

## Supporting Information

### **Polyoxomolybdate–polypyrrole / reduced graphene oxide nanocomposite as high capacity electrodes for lithium storage**

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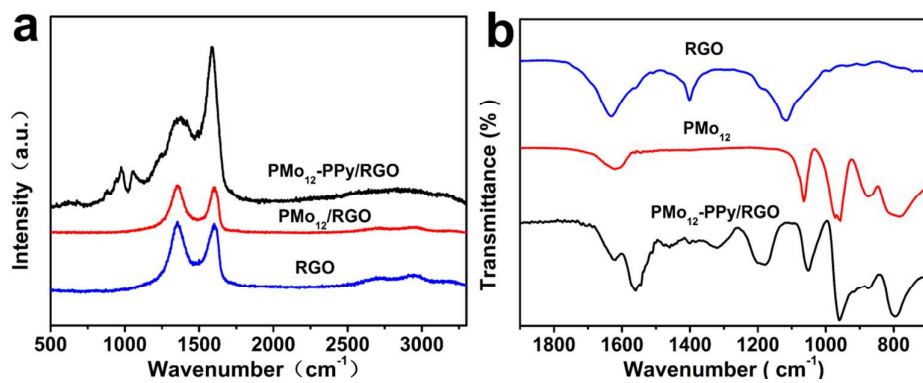
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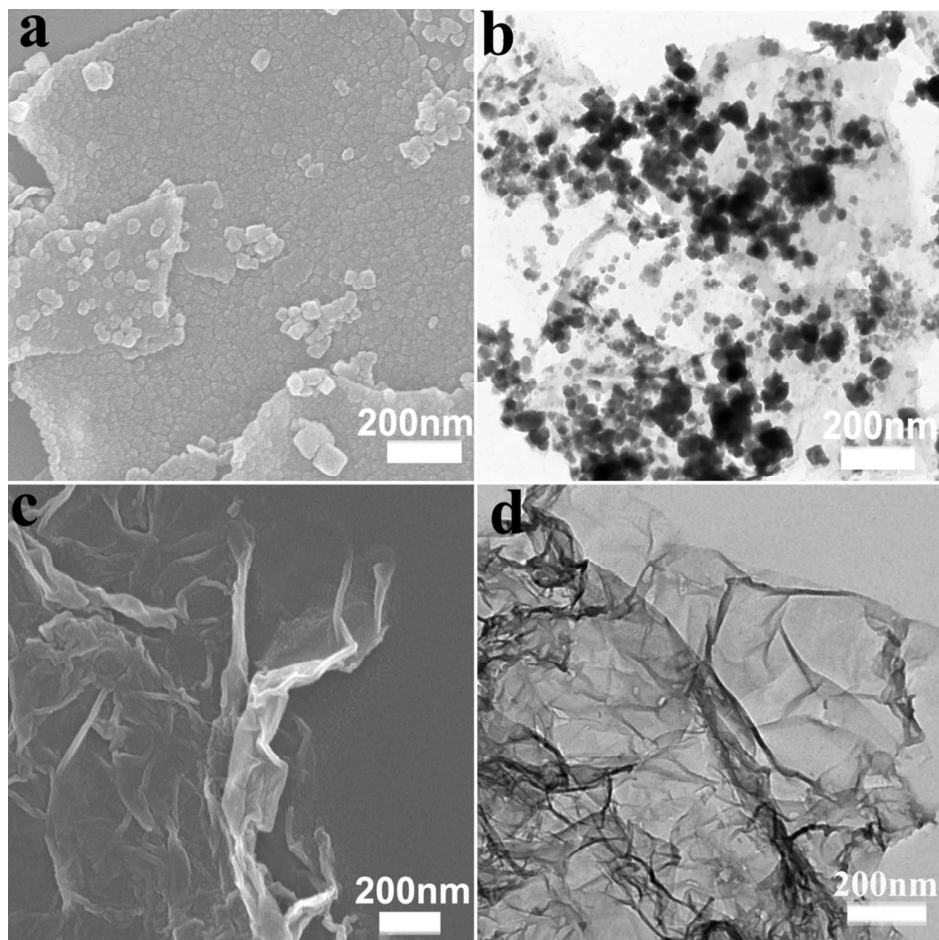
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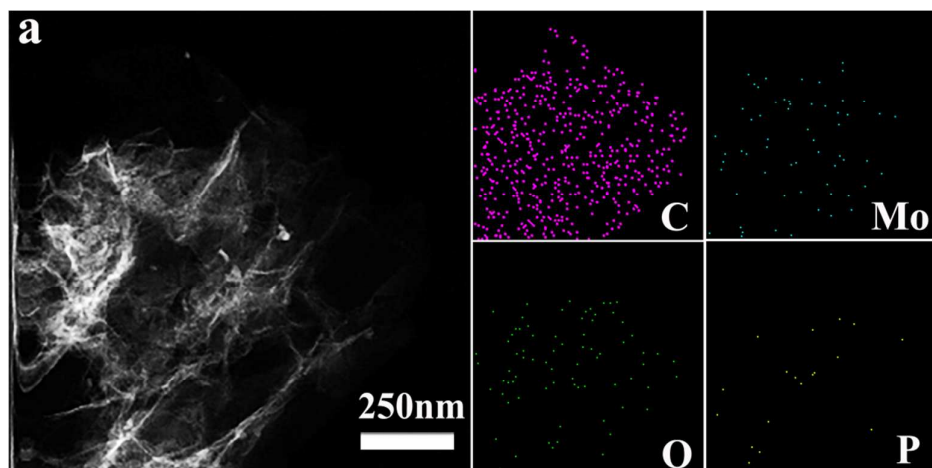
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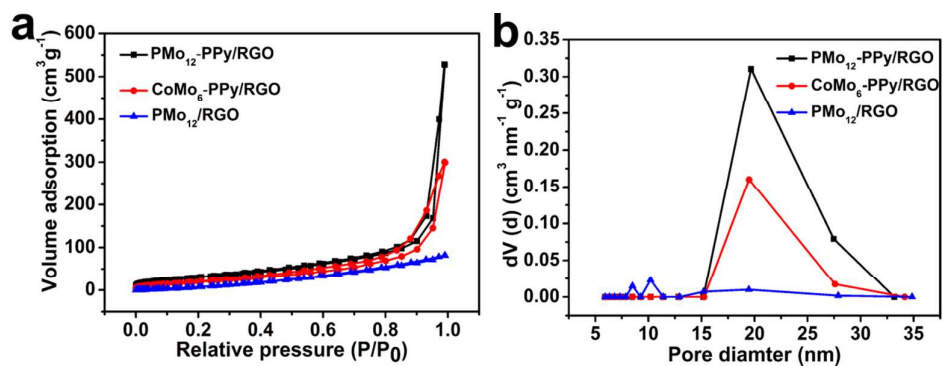
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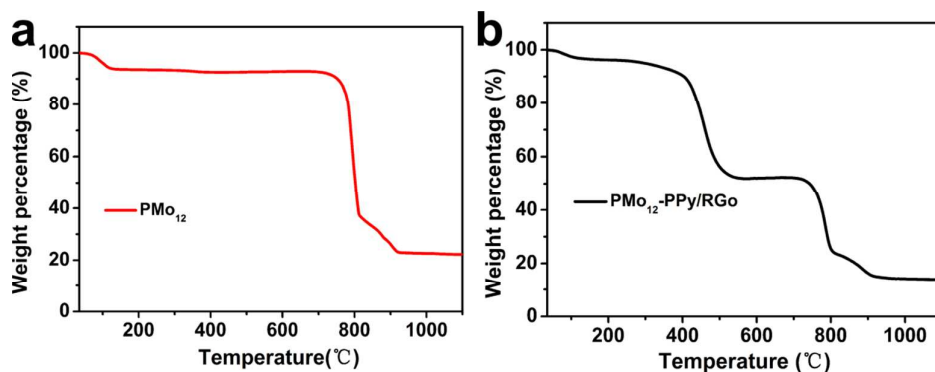
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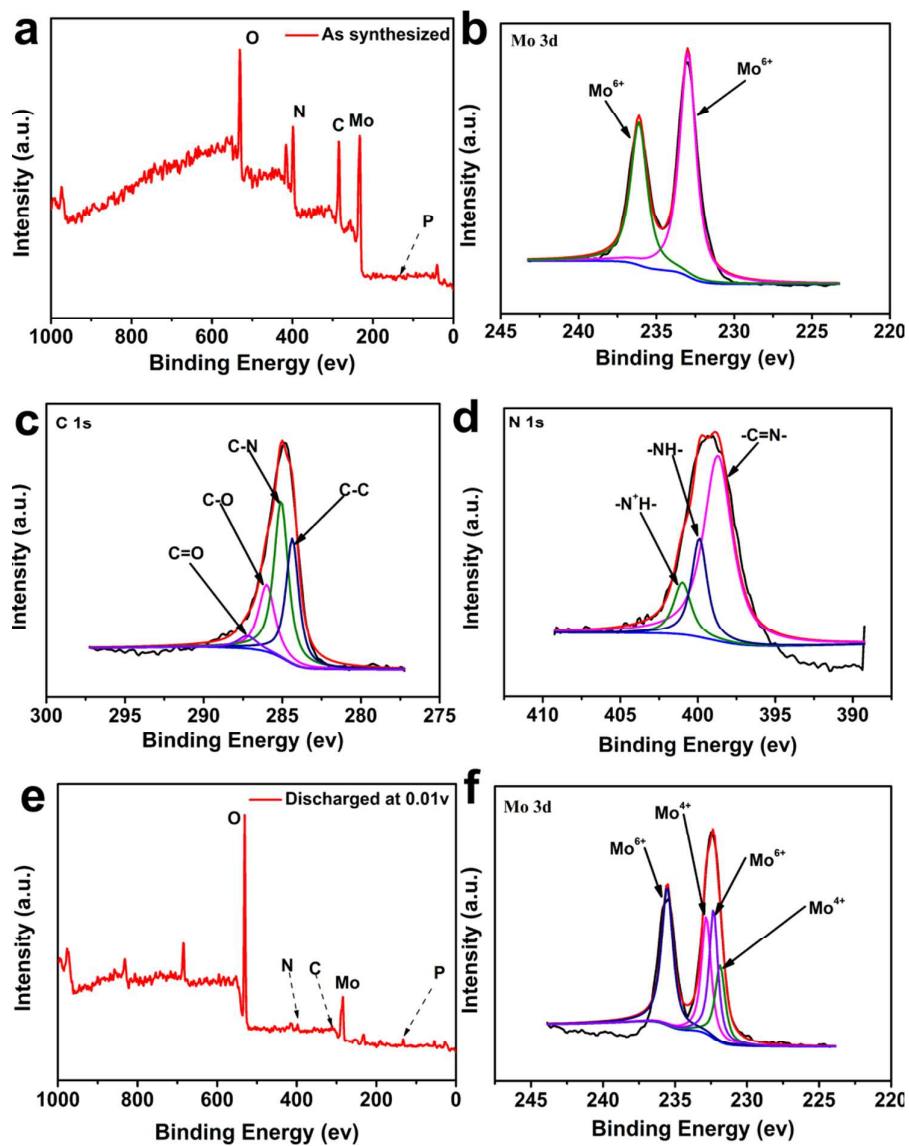
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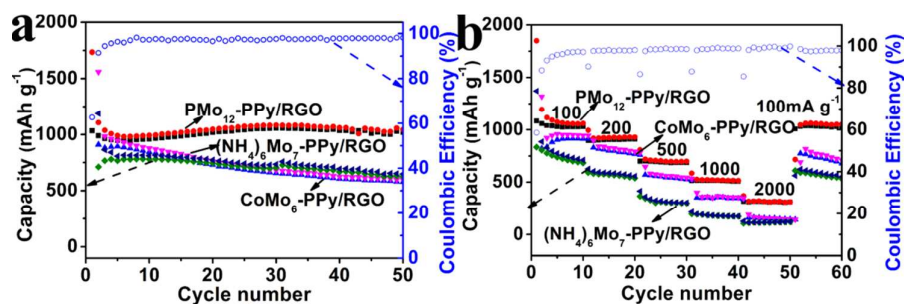
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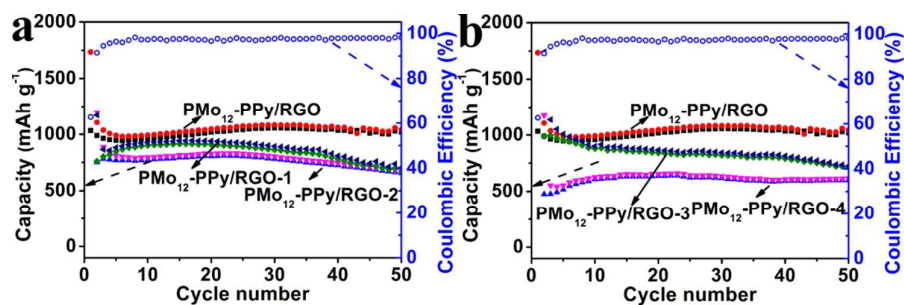
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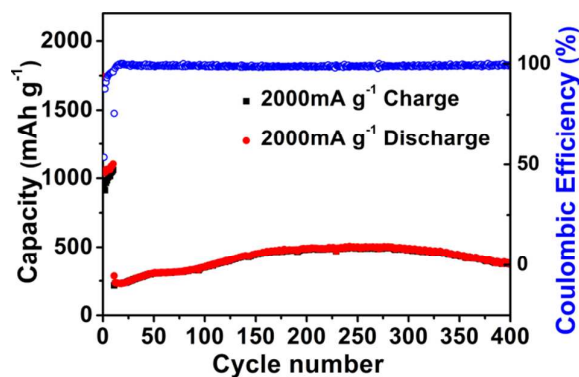
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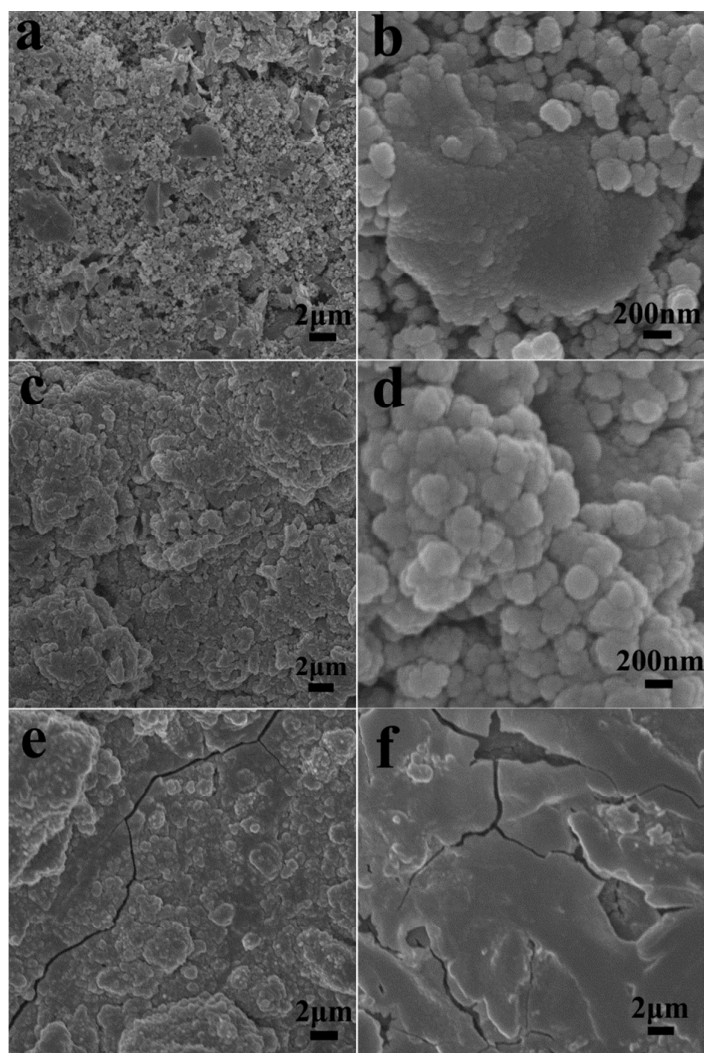
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**Figure S8.** (a) Cycle-life performance of  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO}$ ,  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO-1}$  and  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO-2}$  at a current density of  $100 \text{ mA g}^{-1}$ . (b) Cycle-life performance of  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO}$ ,  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO-3}$  and  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO-4}$  at a current density of  $100 \text{ mA g}^{-1}$ .



**Figure S9.** Cycling performance of  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO}$  at  $2.0 \text{ A g}^{-1}$  after a few cycles at  $100 \text{ mA g}^{-1}$ .



**Figure S10.** FESEM images of (a, b)  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO}$  electrode before and (c, d)  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-PPy/RGO}$  (e)  $\text{CoMo}_6\text{-PPy/RGO}$  (f)  $(\text{NH}_4)_6\text{Mo}_7\text{-PPy/RGO}$  electrode after 50 cycles performed with a current density of  $1.0\text{ A g}^{-1}$ .



**Table S1. Comparison of P<sub>Mo</sub><sub>12</sub>-PPy/RGO with other POMs-based anodes**

Materials	CR(mA g <sup>-1</sup> )	RC(mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	AR (%)	Ref.
P <sub>Mo</sub> <sub>12</sub> -PPy/RGO	100	1082	70	This work
NAM-EDAG	100	Above 1000	80	1
[MnMo <sub>6</sub> O <sub>24</sub> ] <sup>9-</sup> /SWNTs	0.5 mAcm <sup>-2</sup>	932	50	2
Pyrene-Anderson-CNTs	0.5 mAcm <sup>-2</sup>	665	30	3
Mo <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub> -SCN	50	876	40	4
SiW <sub>11</sub> -CNTs	0.5 mAcm <sup>-2</sup>	650	30	5
Py-SiW <sub>11</sub> /SWNTs	0.5 mAcm <sup>-2</sup>	580	30	6
POMOF-1	500	350	65	7

**CR: Charge rate. RC: Reversible capacity. AR: Active material ratio.**

#### Calculation of the theoretical capacities.

The theoretical capacities were calculated according to the equation:

$$Q = \frac{nF}{3.6M} = \frac{96500n}{3.6M} \dots (1)$$

Where  $Q$  is the reversible charging-discharging capacity,  $n$  is the number of electrons passed during the redox reaction, and  $M$  is the molecular weight.

**POM:** When Li<sup>+</sup> intercalate/ deintercalate into the structure of P<sub>Mo</sub><sub>12</sub>, we have a hypothesis that the redox reactions of Mo<sup>6+</sup> can be changed to Mo<sup>4+</sup> or Mo<sup>0</sup>. So,  $n_{(\text{maximum})} = 72$ ,  $Q_{(\text{POM maximum})} = 1057.38 \text{ mAh g}^{-1}$ . According to the TGA and experiment, we can calculate the content of the POMs is about 72.9%,  $Q_{(\text{P}_{\text{Mo}12}\text{-PPy/RGO})} = 1057.38 \times 72.9\% = 835.16 \text{ mAh g}^{-1}$ .

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