

Supporting information for

## All Binder-Free Electrodes for High-Performance Wearable Aqueous Rechargeable Sodium-Ion Batteries

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### S1 Experimental Section

**Preparation of CNTF:** Pristine CNTFs are commercialized products which purchased from Suzhou Creative Nano Carbon Co.,Ltd and the detailed preparation process is as follows. Firstly, a raw CNT aerogel was obtained via injecting a solution of ethyl alcohol containing 1.2 wt% ferrocene and 0.4 wt% thiophene, which was carried by Ar/H<sub>2</sub> into a furnace at 20 mL h<sup>-1</sup> and took place chemical reactions at a high temperature approximately 1300 °C. Secondly, the raw CNT aerogel was treated via chemical vapor deposition process at 720 °C in a mixed gas including 400 sccm Ar, 400 sccm H<sub>2</sub> and 100 sccm C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> to acquire a stable and robust CNT

aerogel film. Finally, after the CNT strips shrank through the treatment of ethanol, the CNTF was prepared by quickly spinning the obtained CNT strips.

**Assembly of FARSIBs:** The as-fabricated FARSIBs were assembled by adopting binder-free KNHCF@CNTF as the cathode, NTP@CNTF as the anode, and Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-carboxymethyl cellulose sodium (CMC) as the gel electrolyte. The Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-CMC gel electrolyte was prepared by mixing 5 g Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and 3 g CMC in 50 mL distilled water under vigorous stirring at 90 °C for 2 h until the solution became clear. The as-prepared KNHCF@CNTF and NTP@CNTF were immersed in the gel electrolyte for 10 min to allow the active material full contact with the electrolyte and dried at 60 °C for 15 min. Then repeat the process. The FARSIB was assembled by twisting the cathode and anode and dried at 60 °C for 10 h.

## S2 Electrochemical Performance Measurements

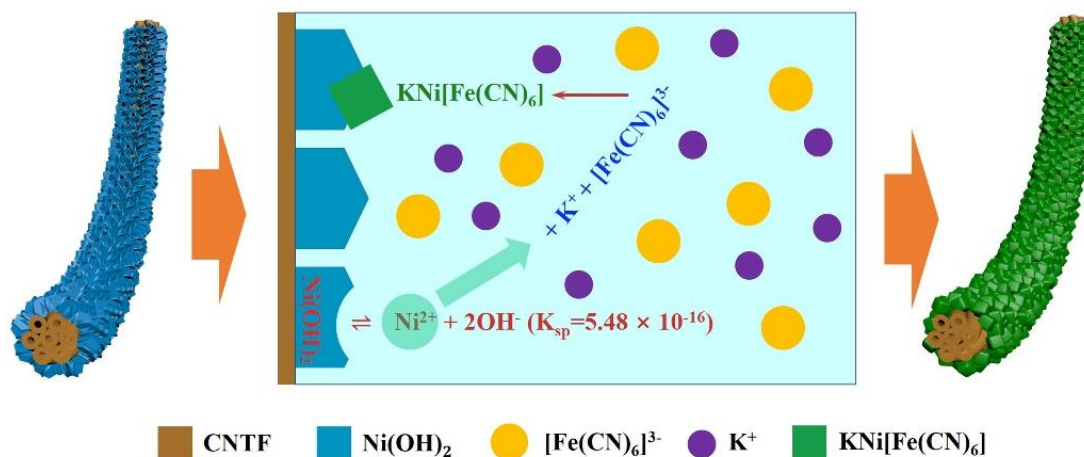
The electrochemical characterizations of obtained electrode materials was analyzed by cyclic voltammetry curves, galvanostatic charge/discharge curves, and electrochemical impedance spectroscopy measured on an electrochemical workstation (CHI 760E, Chenhua). For three electrode system tests, KNHCF@CNTF or NTP@CNTF was directly used as the working electrode, Pt wire and Ag/AgCl were used as the counter electrode and the reference electrode, respectively, 1 M Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used the aqueous electrolyte. For the FARSIB, the KNHCF@CNTF and NTP@CNTF were used as the cathode and anode, respectively, with the Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-carboxymethyl cellulose sodium (CMC) as the gel electrolyte. For comparison, the powder slurry was prepared by mixing the obtained active materials (KNHCF, NTP, and NTP@C), acetylene black, and polytetrafluoroethylene at a weight ratio of 7:2:1 with N-Methyl pyrrolidone as solvent. After stirring for 2 h, repeated dip-coating method was adopted to achieve the uniform coating of the same loading active materials on the surface of CNTF. Finally, the CNTF was dried at 60 °C in vacuum overnight to obtain the corresponding powder electrodes.

## S3 Characterizations of Materials

The morphologies and microstructures of the electrodes and pressure sensor were analyzed by using a scanning electron microscope (Hitachi S-4800, 5 KV). The crystal structure and chemical composition of samples were characterized by X-ray diffraction (Rigaku D/MAX2500 V) and X-ray photoelectron spectrometer (ESCALab MKII). Transmission electron microscopy images were measured by a high-resolution transmission electron microscope (FEI Tecnai G2 20). The calculation equation of the electrode volume :

$$V = \frac{\pi D^2 L}{4} \quad (S1)$$

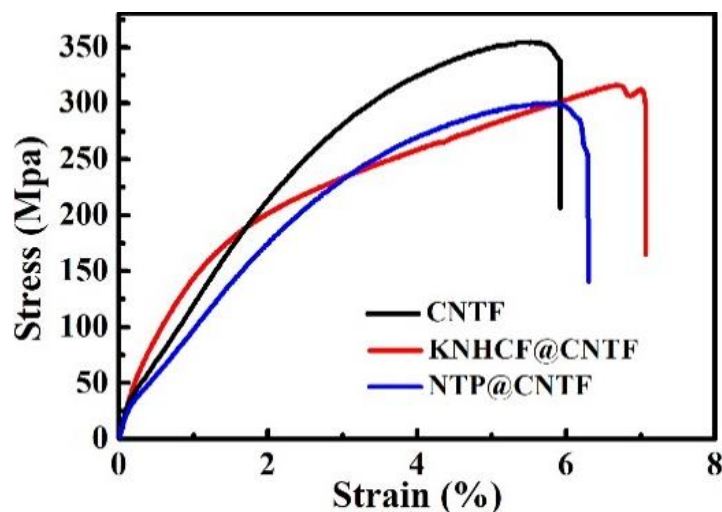
Where  $V$  (cm<sup>3</sup>) represents the total volume of the electrodes,  $D$  (cm) is the diameter of the electrodes with electrochemical active materials and  $L$  (cm) is the length of the electrodes.



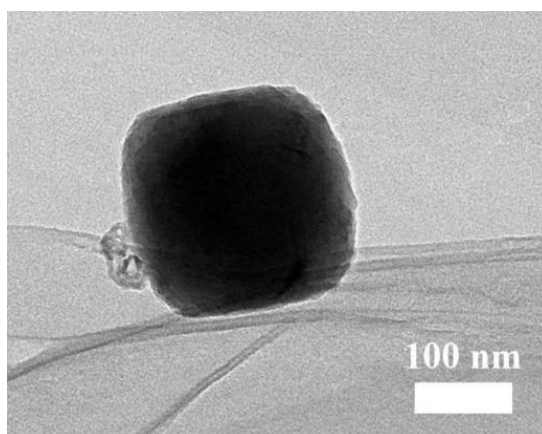
**Scheme S1** Schematic representation of the synthetic procedure for the transformation of Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub>@CNTF into the more stable KNHCF@CNTF

As shown in Scheme S1, Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub> nanosheets serve as self-sacrificing template to provide Ni source for the direct growth of KNHCF cubes on the CNTF by a simple chemical etching method, in which Ni<sup>2+</sup> produced by local dissolution (Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub> ⇌ Ni<sup>2+</sup> + 2(OH)<sup>-</sup>) of Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub> nanosheets reacts with K<sub>3</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>] to obtain the more stable KNHCF cubes. As the reaction time increases, Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub>@CNTF gradually transforms into KNHCF@CNTF.

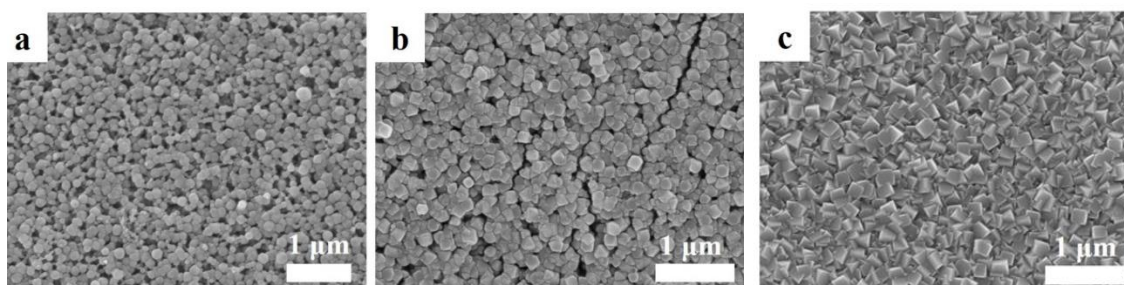
#### S4 Supplementary Figures and Table



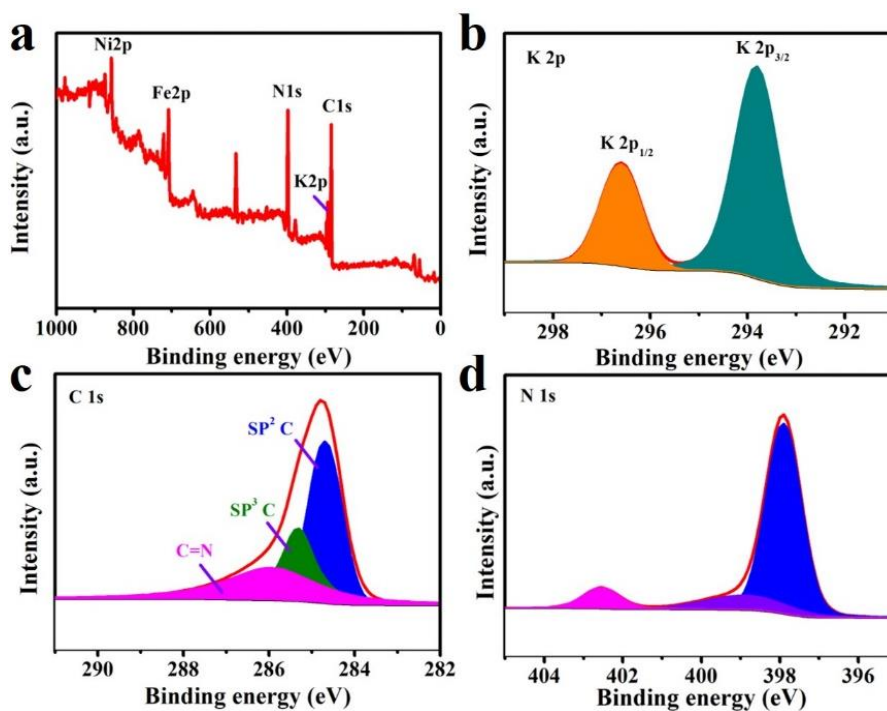
**Fig. S1** Tensile strength test of pristine CNTF, NTP@CNTF and KNHCF@CNTF



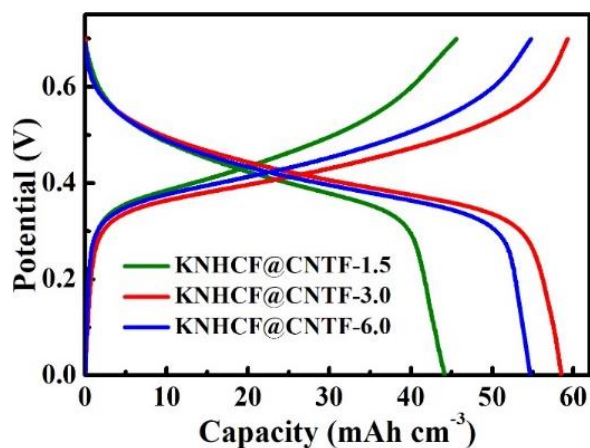
**Fig. S2** Low-resolution transmission electron microscopy (TEM) image of KNHCF



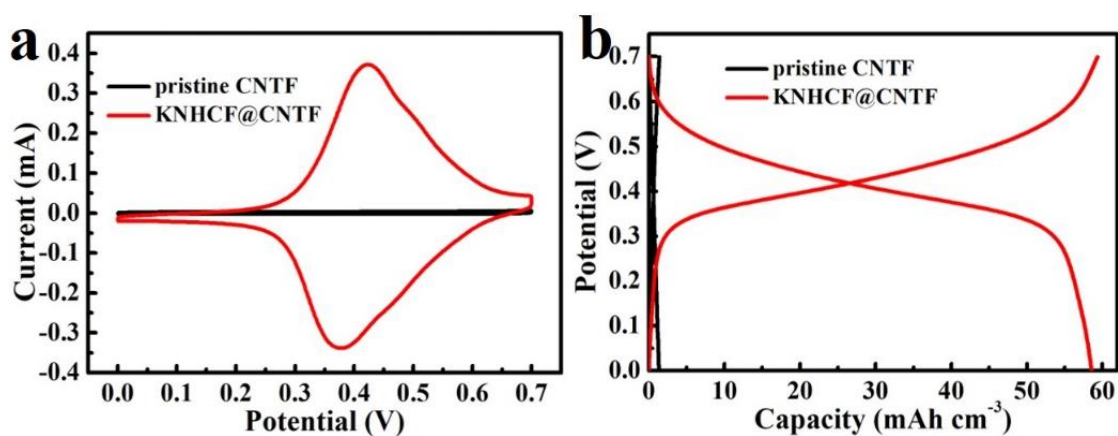
**Fig. S3** SEM images of KNHCF cubes with different concentration of the reaction solution :  
**a** 1.5 mM; **b** 3.0 mM; **c** 6.0 mM



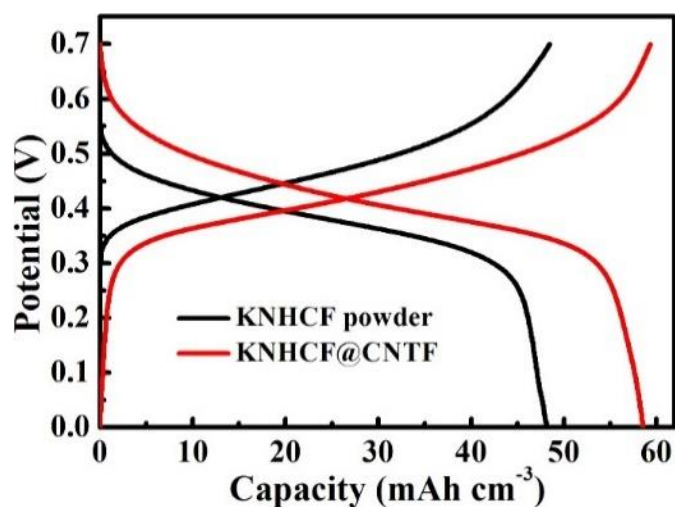
**Fig. S4** XPS survey scans of **a** full spectrum, **b** K 2P, **c** C 1s, and **d** N 1s regions for the KNHCF



**Fig. S5** GCD curves at a current density of  $0.05 \text{ A cm}^{-3}$  of KNHCF@CNTF generated under different concentrations of the reaction solution



**Fig. S6** Comparison of **a** CV curves at a scan rate of  $5 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$  and **b** GCD curves at a current density of  $0.05 \text{ A cm}^{-3}$  of KNHCF@CNTF and pristine CNTF



**Fig. S7** Comparison of GCD curves of KNHCF@CNTF and KNHCF powder at a current density of  $0.05 \text{ A cm}^{-3}$

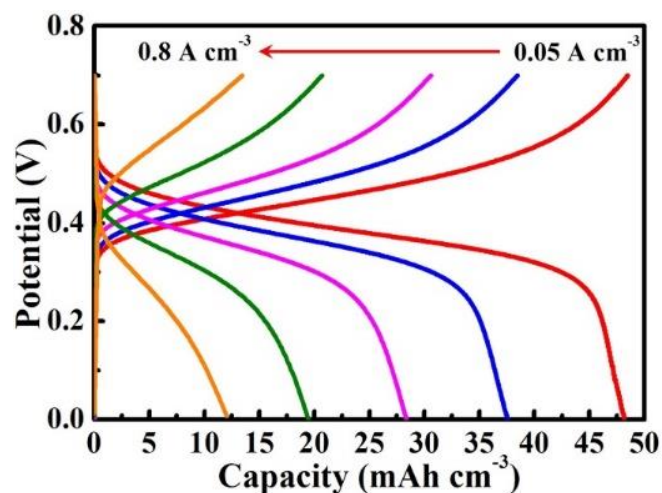


Fig. S8 The GCD curves of the KNHCF powder at various current densities

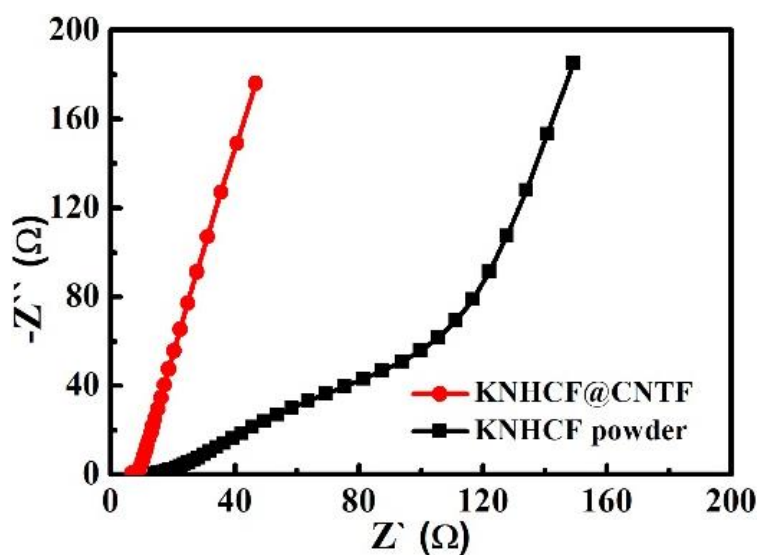


Fig. S9 Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy of KNHCF@CNTF and KNHCF powder

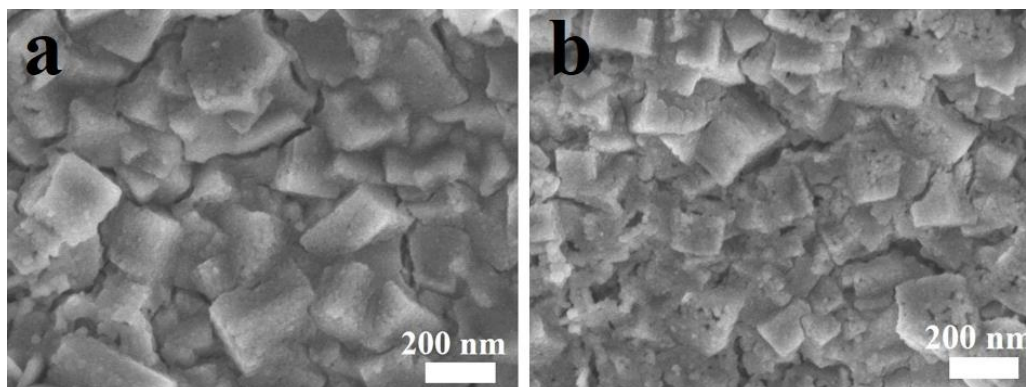


Fig. S10 The SEM images of KNHCF@CNTF after 500 cycles (a) and 1000 cycles (b)

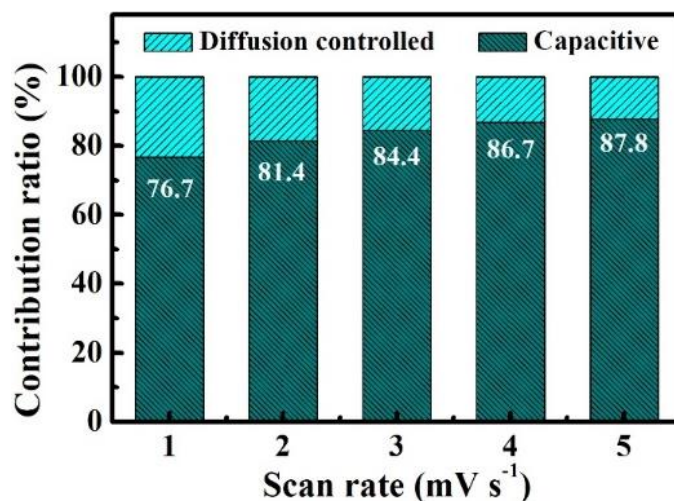


Fig. S11 The contribution ratio at various scan rates of the KNHCF@CNTF

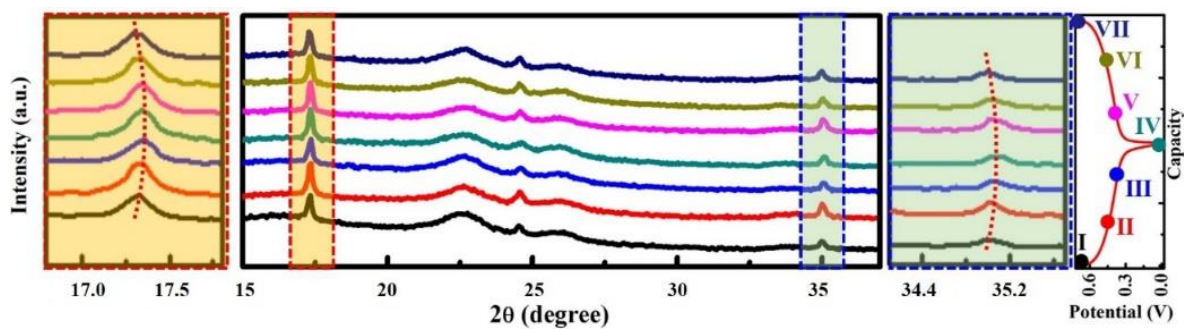


Fig. S12 Ex-situ XRD pattern of KNHCF@CNTF in the different states of  $\text{Na}^+$  extraction/insertion

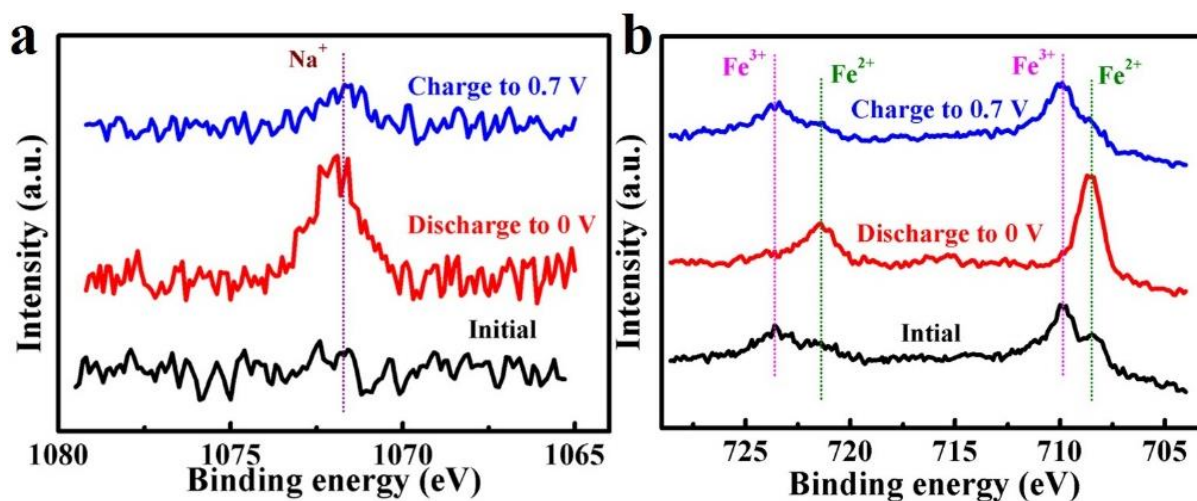
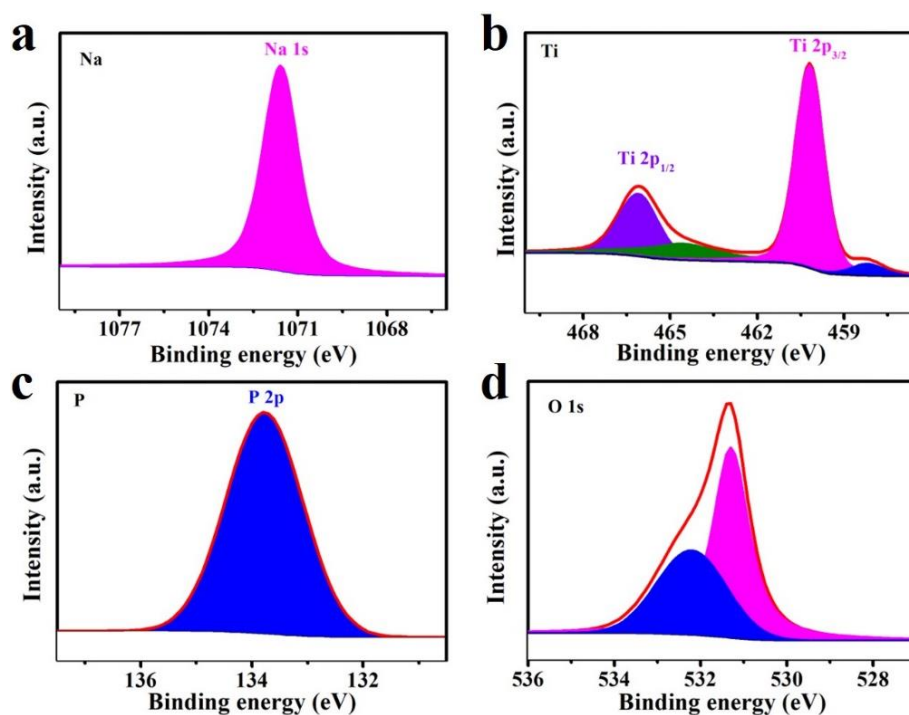
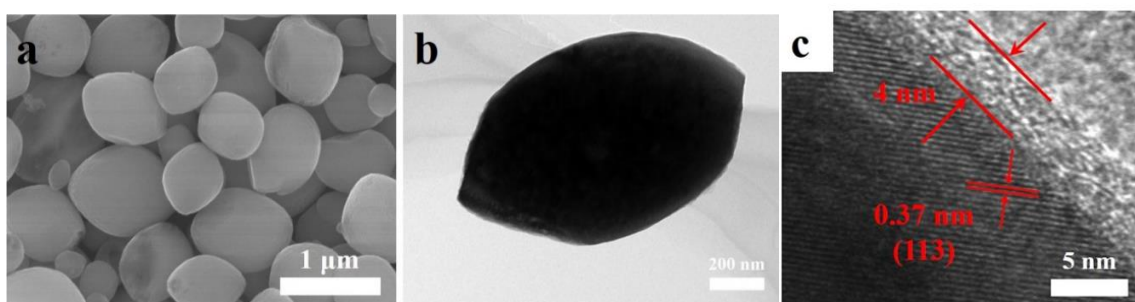


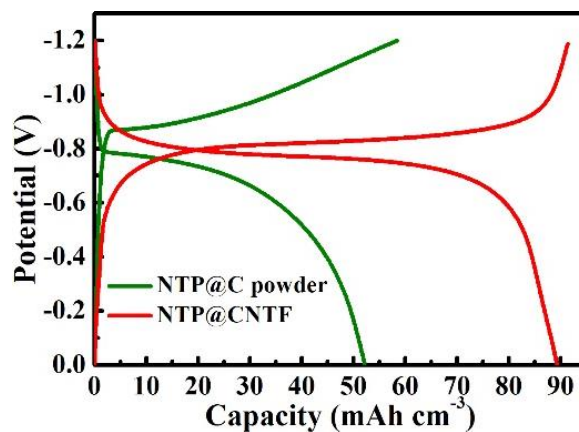
Fig. S13 Ex-situ XPS spectra of Na 1s and Fe 2p at different states



**Fig. S14** XPS survey scans of **a** Na 1s, **b** Ti 2p, **c** P 2p, and **d** O 1s regions for the NTP@CNTF

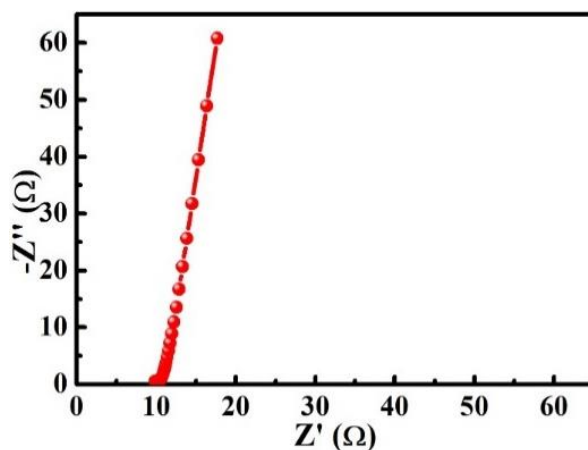


**Fig. S15** **a** SEM image and **b**, **c** TEM images at different magnifications of NTP@C

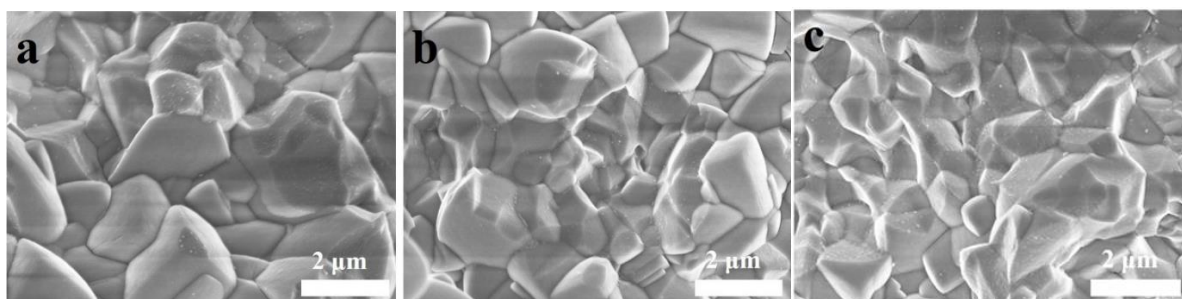


**Fig. S16** GCD curves of NTP@CNTF and NTP@C powder at a current density of 1.6 A cm<sup>-3</sup>





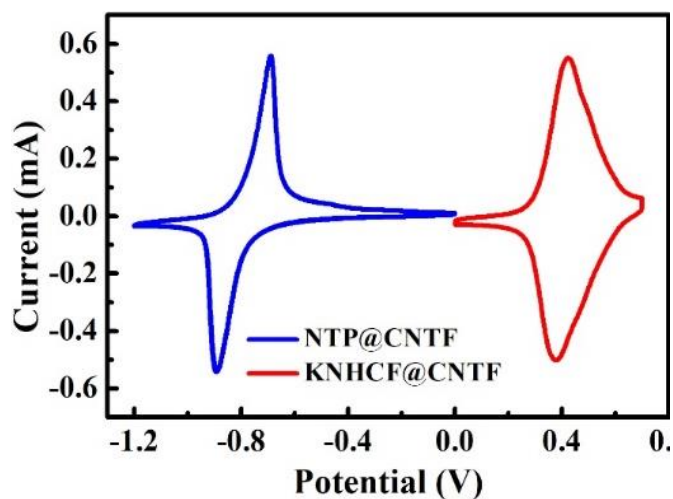
**Fig. S17** Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy of NTP@CNTF



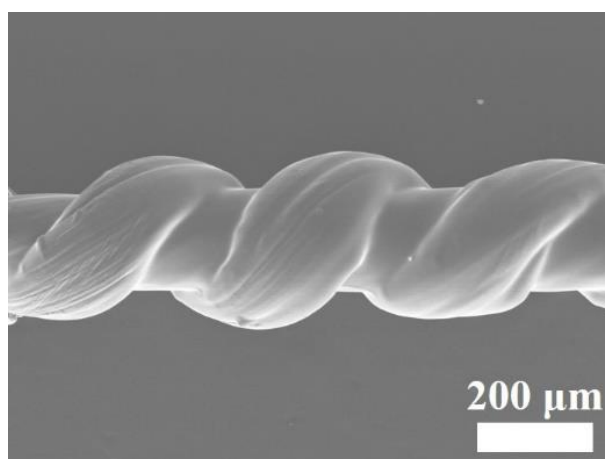
**Fig. S18** The SEM images of NTP@CNTF after different charge-discharge cycles: **a** 1000 cycles; **b** 2000 cycles; **c** 3000 cycles

**Table S1** Comparison of our anode material (NTP@CNTF) with the NTP-based anode materials in aqueous SIBs reported before

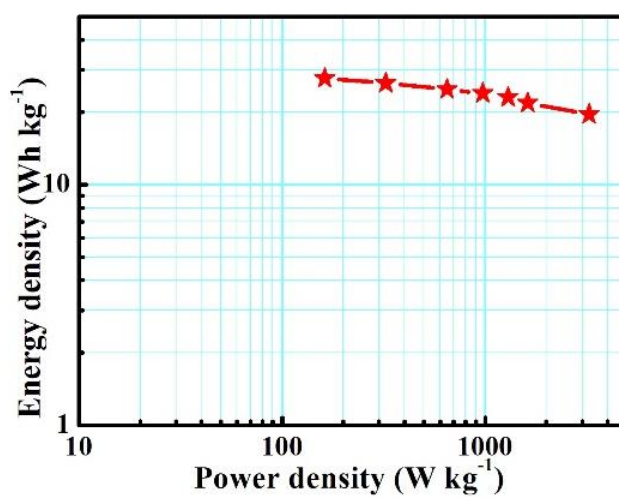
Sample	Annealing temperature	Electrode preparation	Capacity (max)	Capacity (min)	Refs.
NTP@CNTF	No	Binder-free	98.4 mAh cm <sup>-3</sup> at 0.2 A cm <sup>-3</sup> (122 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.25 A g <sup>-1</sup> )	81.2 mAh cm <sup>-3</sup> at 8.0 A cm <sup>-3</sup> (100 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 10.0 A g <sup>-1</sup> )	This work
NTP/C	900°C	Slurry-coating	75 mAh g <sup>-1</sup>		[S1]
NTP/C	700°C	Slurry-coating	100 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	86 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 10 C	[S2]
NTP/C	800°C	Slurry-coating	98 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	48 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 50 C	[S3]
NTP/C	700°C	Slurry-coating	127 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	100 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	[S4]
NTP/MWNTs	700°C	Slurry-coating	120 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	80 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	[S5]
NTP/C	700°C	Slurry-coating	105 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.5 A g <sup>-1</sup>	80 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 3.0 A g <sup>-1</sup>	[S6]
NTP/C	700°C	Slurry-coating	119.4 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C	63 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 50 C	[S7]
NTP/GNS	700°C	Slurry-coating	100 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 2 C	41.5 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 20 C	[S8]
NTP/TiN	700°C	Slurry-coating	131 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 2 C	~52 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 10 C	[S9]
NTP/C	800°C	Slurry-coating	103 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 3 C	72 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 90 C	[S10]



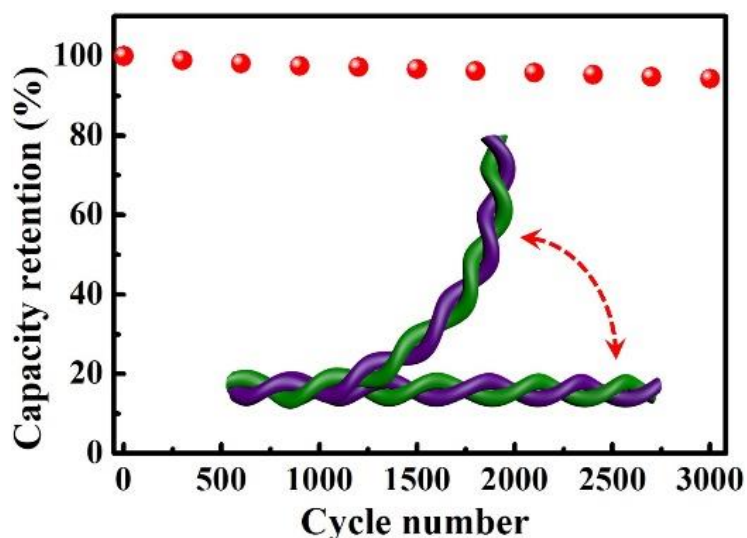
**Fig. S19** CV curves at a scan rate of  $5 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$  of cathode and anode with a length ratio of 2:1.



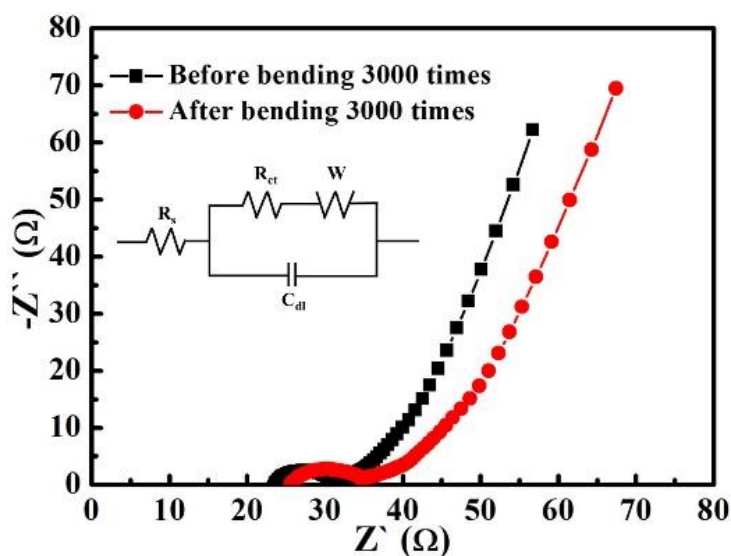
**Fig. S20** Low-resolution SEM image of the fiber-shaped SIB



**Fig. S21** Specific energy and power densities of the assembled FARSIB

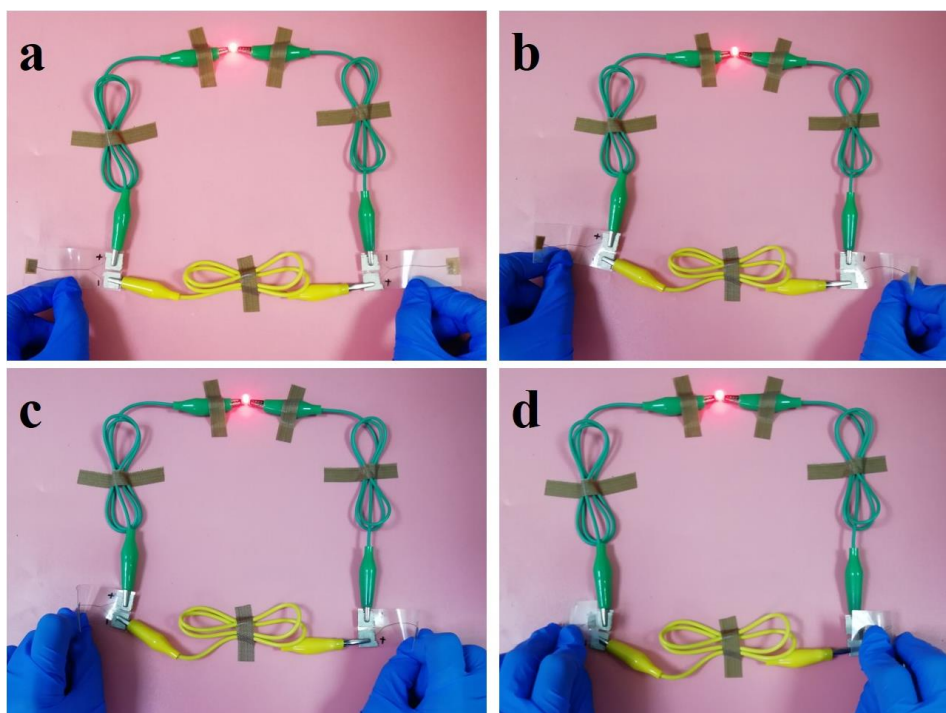


**Fig. S22** Normalized capacitances of our fiber-shaped device bent 90° for 3000 cycles

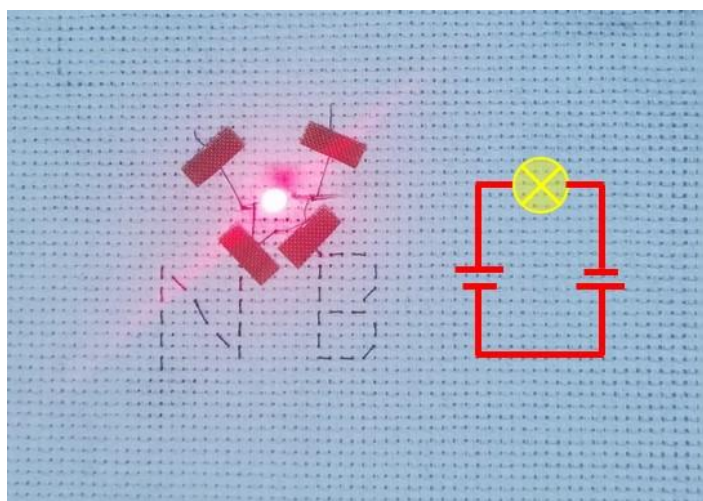


**Fig. S23** Electrochemical impedance spectroscopies of the assembled FARSIB before and after bending 3000 times

As shown in **Fig. S23**, the equivalent circuit consists of the series resistance ( $R_s$ ), double layer capacitance ( $C_{dl}$ ), charge transfer resistance ( $R_{ct}$ ) and Warburg behavior ( $W$ ).  $R_s$  represents the total resistance of the electrolyte and electrical contacts, which is estimated by the value of the intercept at the real axis is used.  $R_{ct}$  is the faradic charge-transfer resistance at the interface between the electrode and the electrolyte, which is related to the semicircle diameter in the plot. After bending 3000 times, the  $R_s$  increases from 23.57 to 25.54  $\Omega$ , while the  $R_{ct}$  increases from 7.68 to 9.49  $\Omega$ , indicating the slight increase of the contact resistance and faradic charge-transfer resistance of the electrodes after the bending test.



**Fig. S24** A LED powered by two FARSIBs in series under different bend angles



**Fig. S25** Photograph of two assembled fiber-shaped batteries woven into flexible textiles and power for a red LED

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