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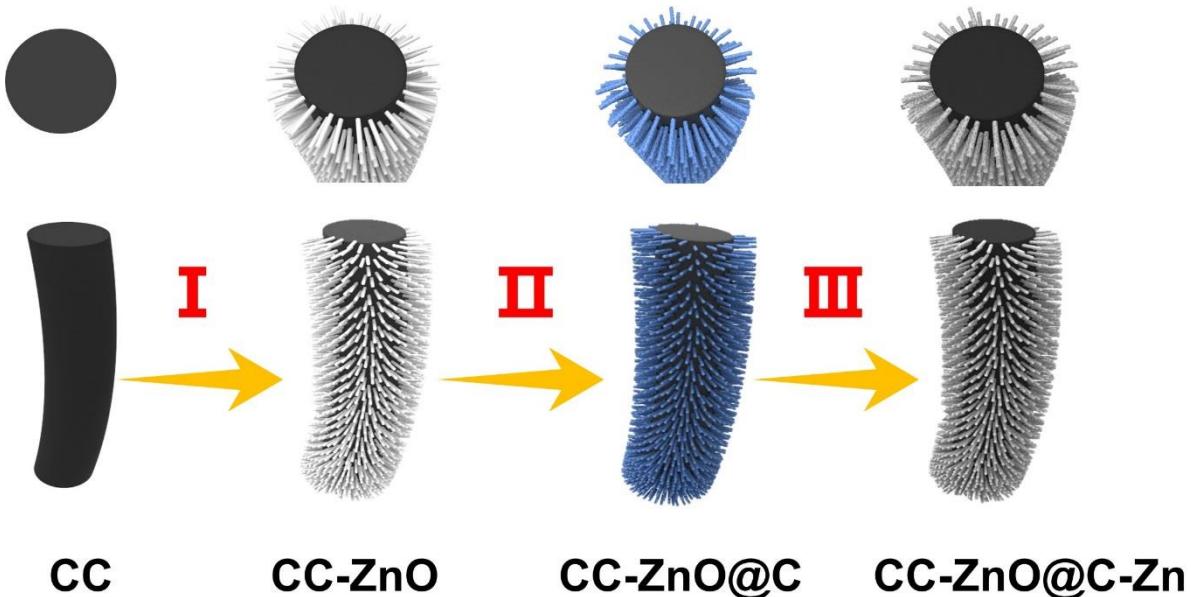
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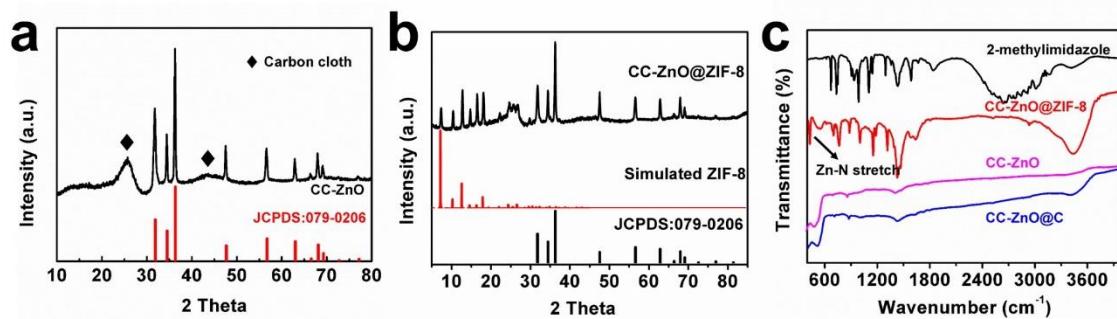
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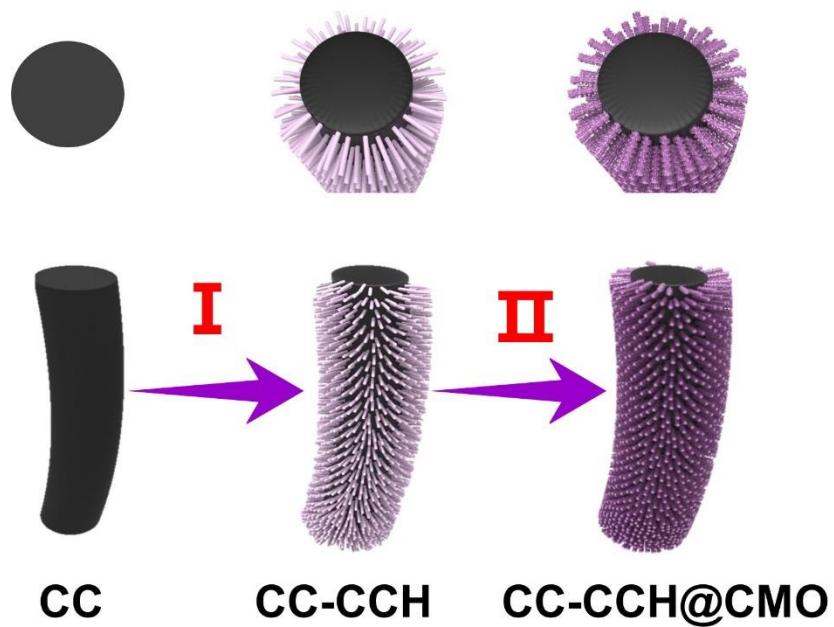
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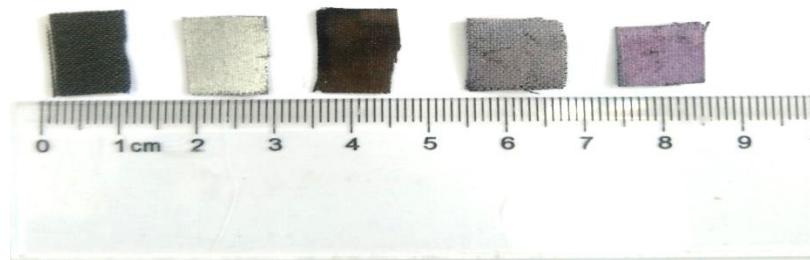
**Figure S1.** Schematic illustration of the synthesis process of CC-ZnO@C-Zn anode.



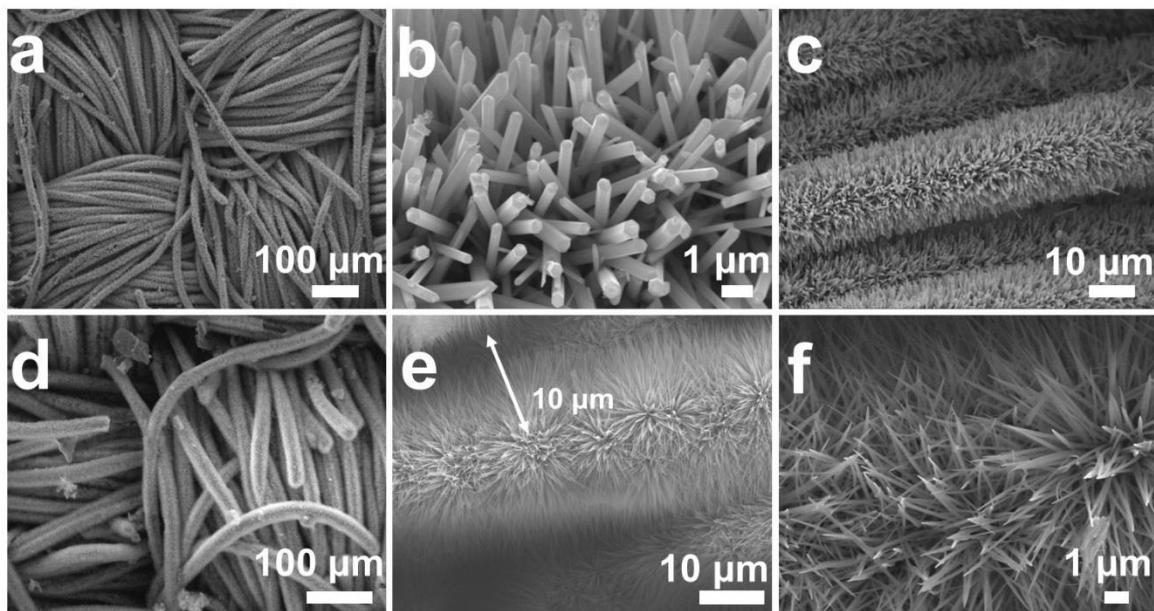
**Figure S2.** XRD patterns of a) CC-ZnO and b) CC-ZnO@ZIF. c) FT-IR spectra of 2-methylimidazole, CC-ZnO@ZIF-8, CC-ZnO and CC-ZnO@C.



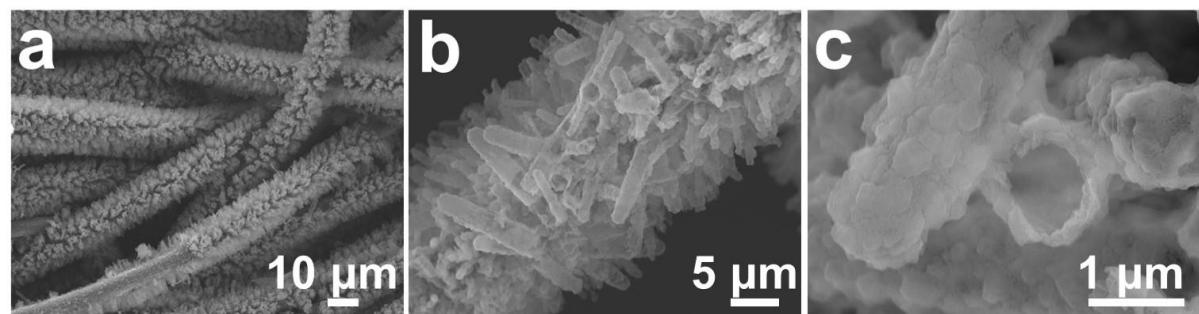
**Figure S3.** Schematic illustration of the synthesis process of the CC-CCH@CMO cathode.



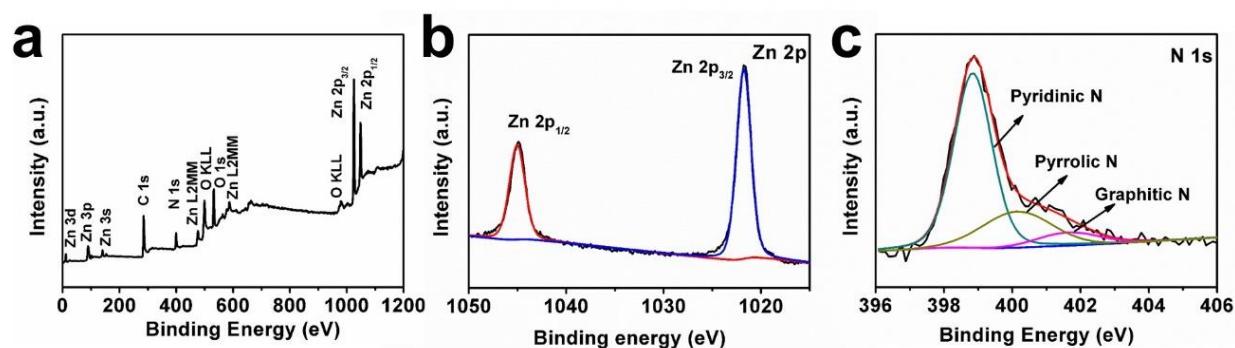
**Figure S4.** Optical photographs of as prepared samples. From left to right in turn are bare CC, CC-ZnO, CC-ZnO@C, CC-CCH and CC-CCH@CMO, respectively.



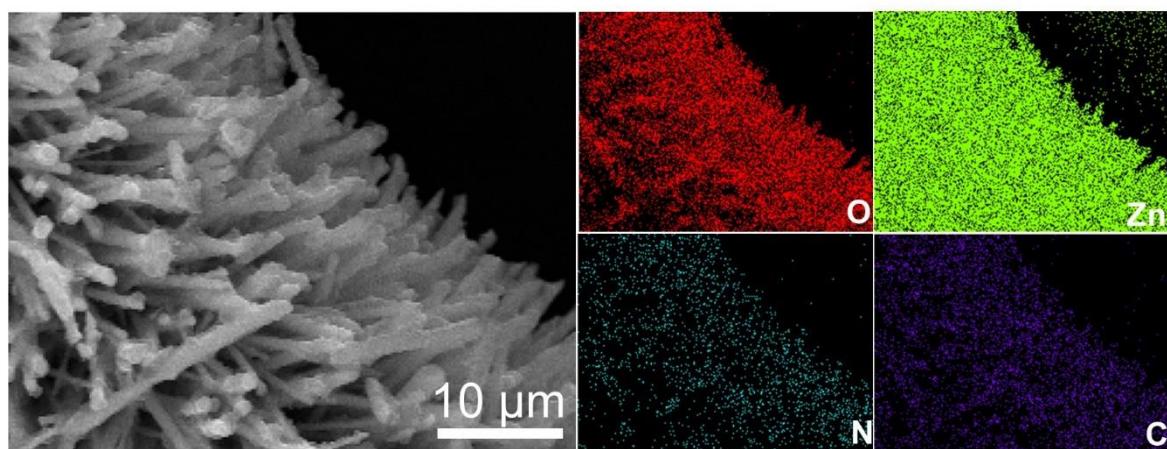
**Figure S5.** SEM images of a,b,c) CC-ZnO and d,e,f) CC-CCH.



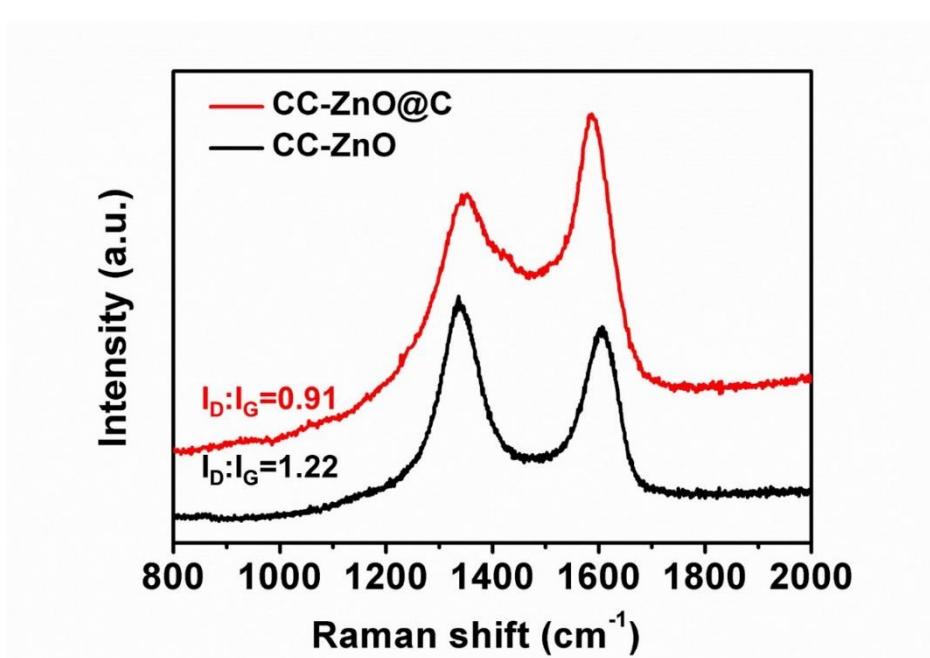
**Figure S6.** SEM images of ZIF-derived carbon tubes on CC.



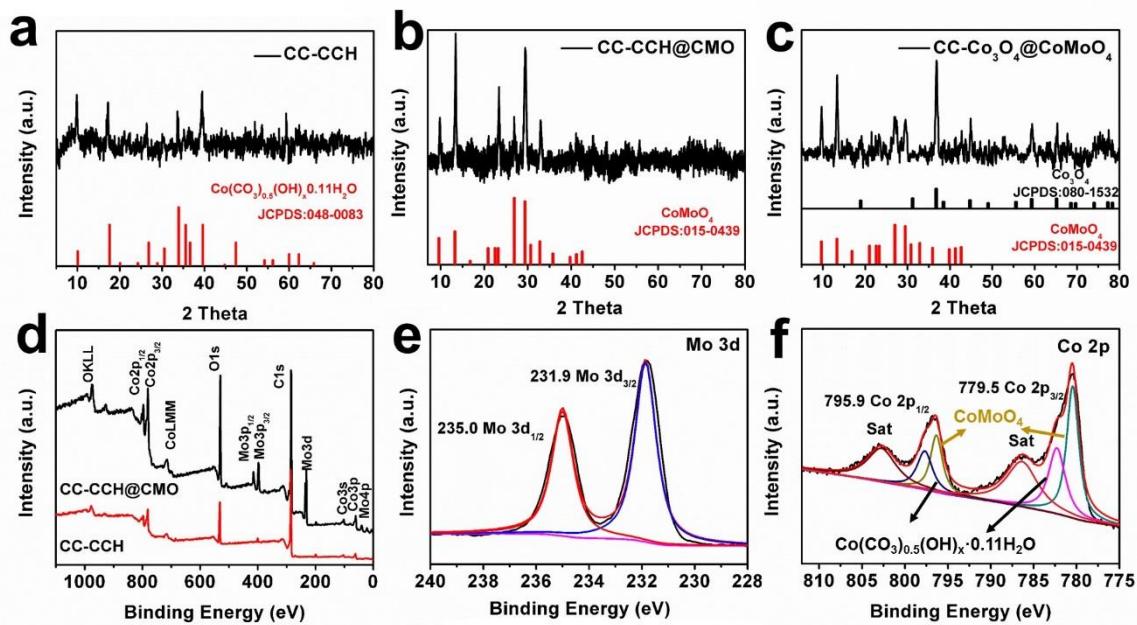
**Figure S7.** a) XPS full spectrum, b) Zn 2p spectrum and c) N 1s spectrum of CC-ZnO@C.



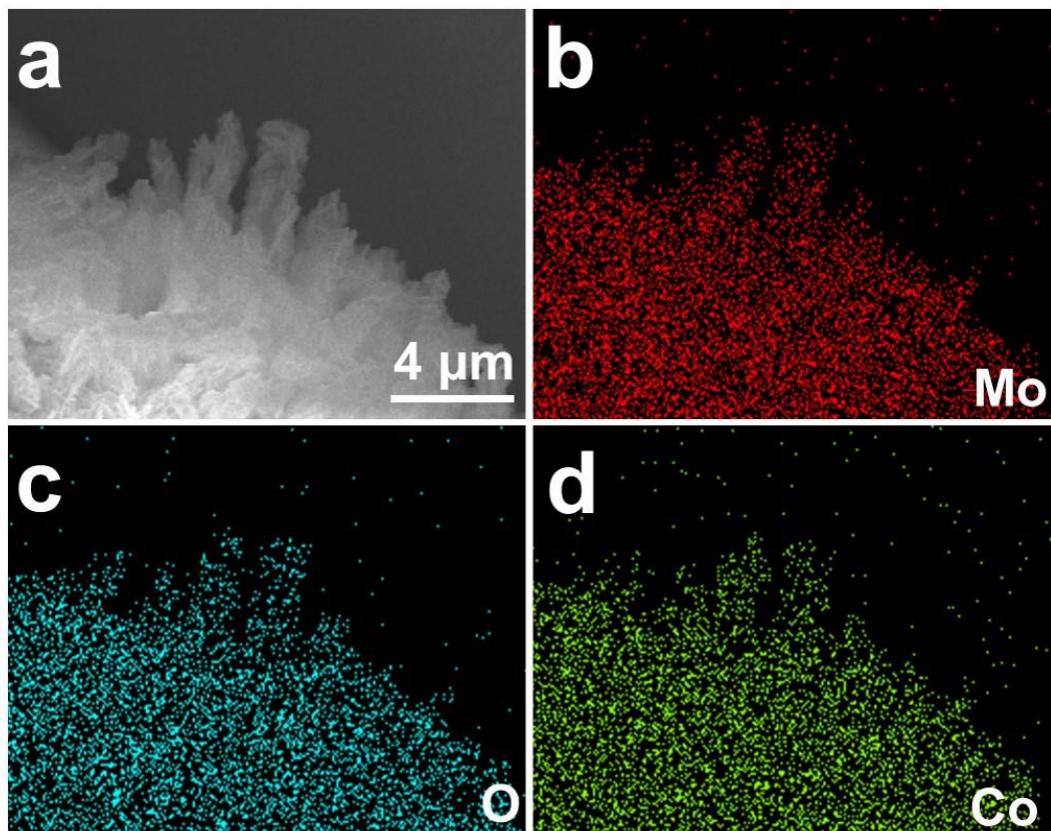
**Figure S8.** SEM image together with the corresponding elemental mapping images of CC-ZnO@C.



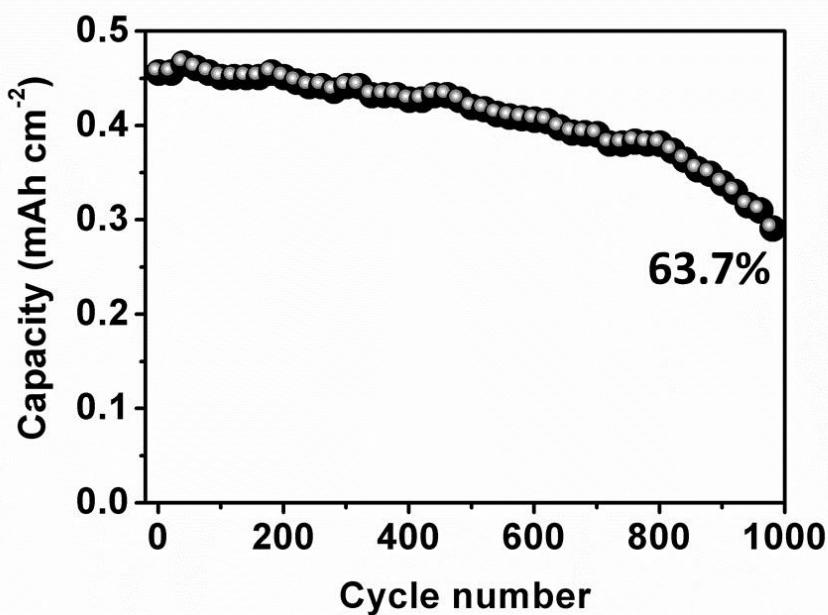
**Figure S9.** Raman plots of CC-ZnO@C and CC-ZnO.



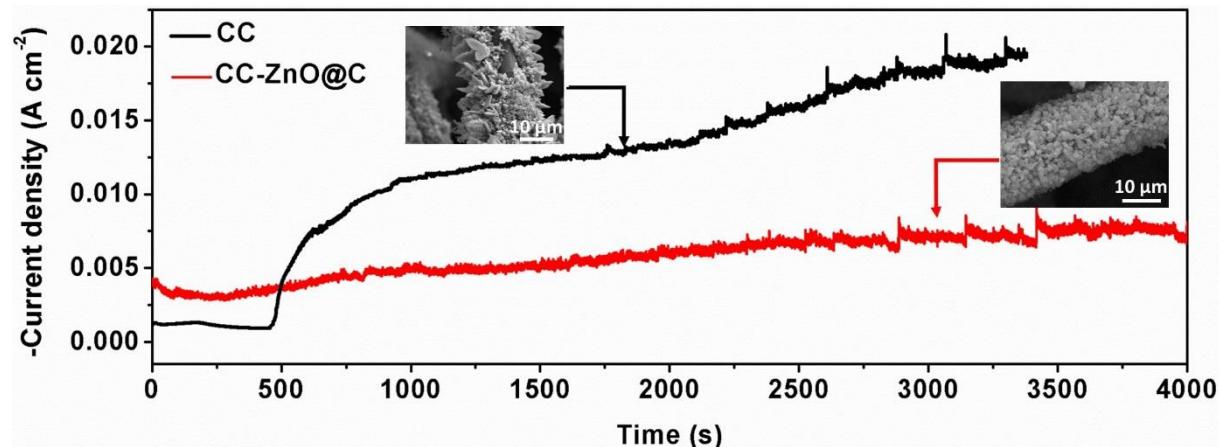
**Figure S10.** The XRD patterns of a) CC-CCH, b) CC-CCH@CMO and c) CC- $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4 @ \text{CoMoO}_4$ . d) XPS full spectra of CC-CCH@CMO and CC-CCH. e) Mo 3d spectrum, f) Co 2p spectrum of CC-CCH@CMO.



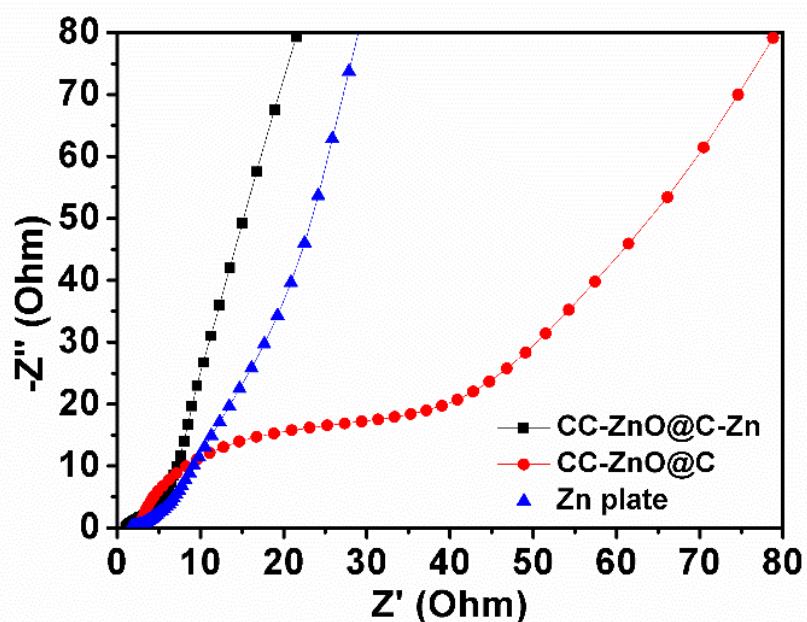
**Figure S11.** SEM image and the corresponding elemental mapping images of CC-CCH@CMO.



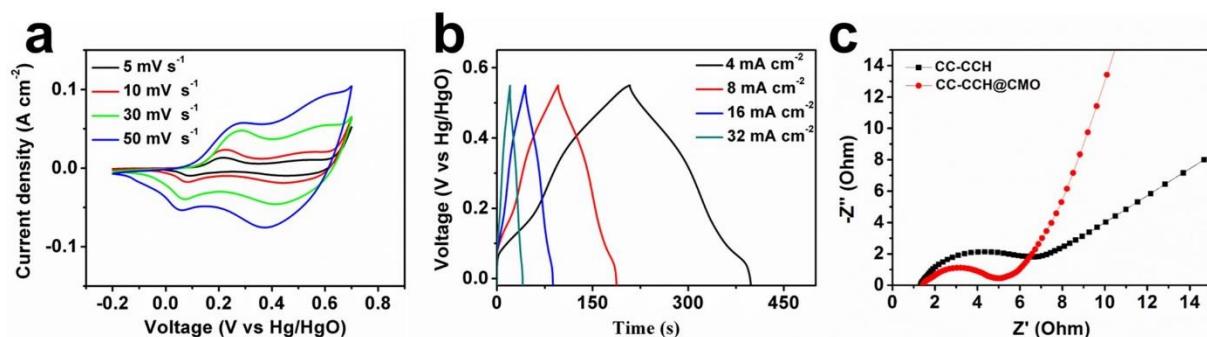
**Figure S12.** Cycling performance of aqueous Zn-Co full battery using the Zn plate as the anode at  $40 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ .



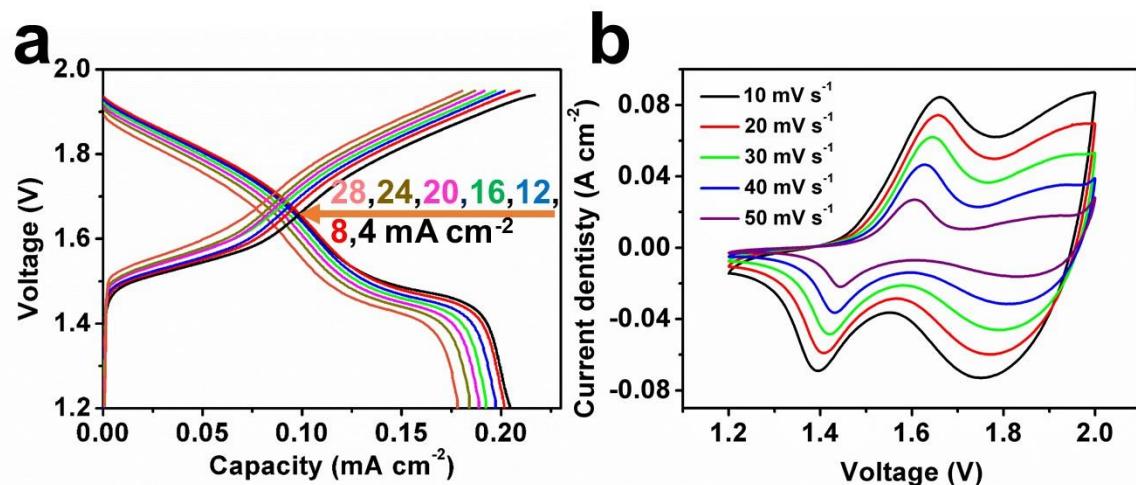
**Figure S13.** The current-time (i-t) curves of CC and CC-ZnO@C, and corresponding SEM images after Zn deposition.



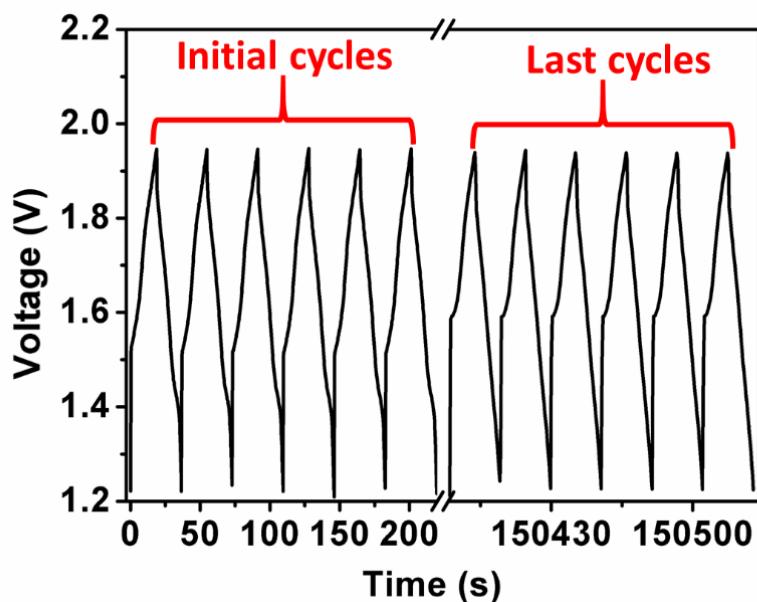
**Figure S14.** Comparison of the EIS results of CC-ZnO@C-Zn, CC-ZnO@C, and Zn plate.



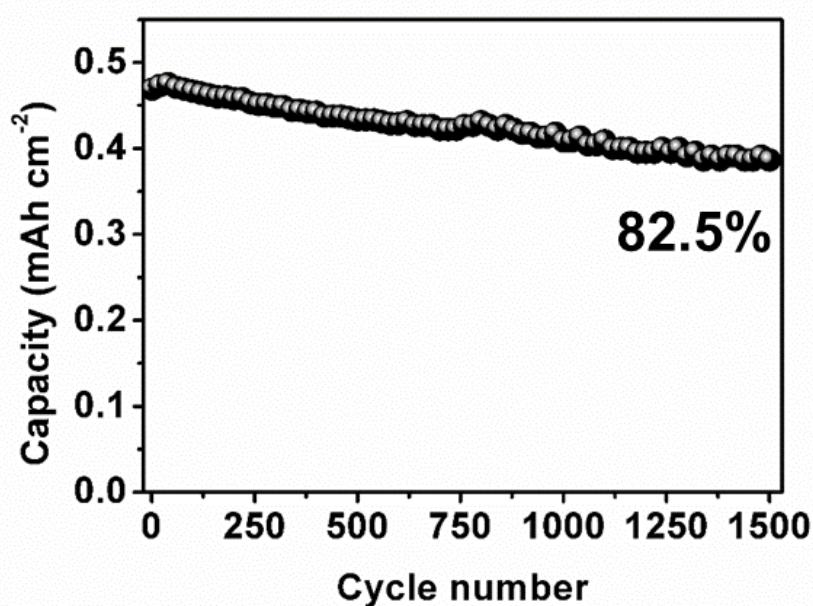
**Figure S15.** a) CV curves, and b) charge-discharge curves of CC-CCH. c) EIS results of CC-CCH@CMO and CC-CCH.



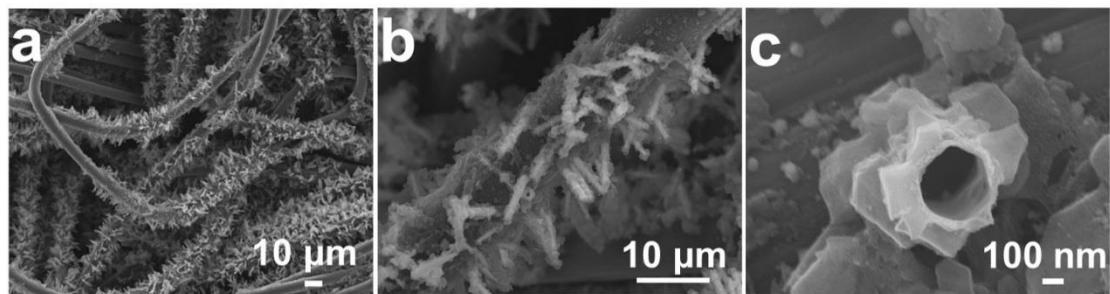
**Figure S16.** a) Charge-discharge curves, b) CV curves of aqueous Zn-Co full battery using the CC-CCH as the cathode.



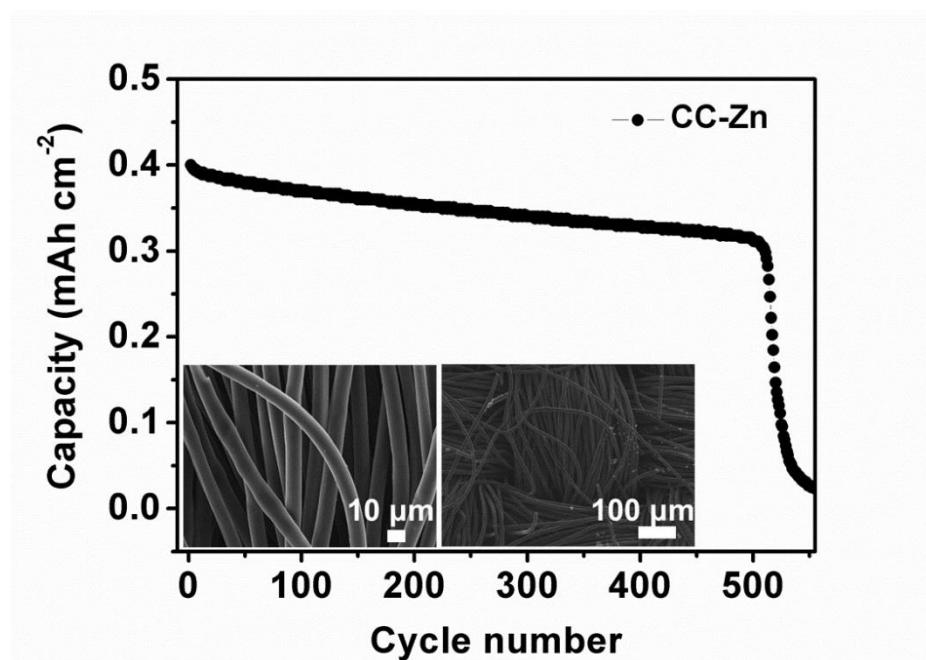
**Figure S17.** Charge-discharge curves of the initial and the last several cycles during the cycling test.



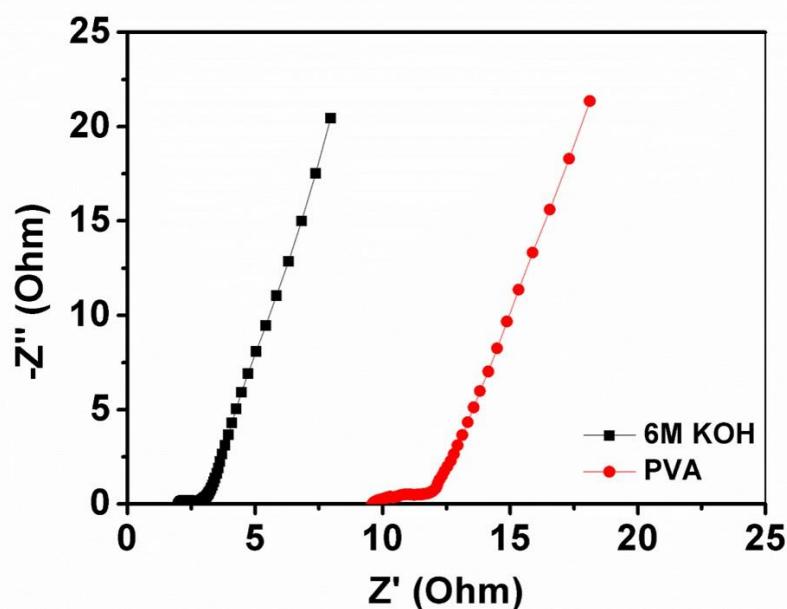
**Figure S18.** Cycling performance of the aqueous Zn-Co full battery using CC-ZnO@C-Zn as the anode and CC-CCH@CMO as the cathode at  $40 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ .



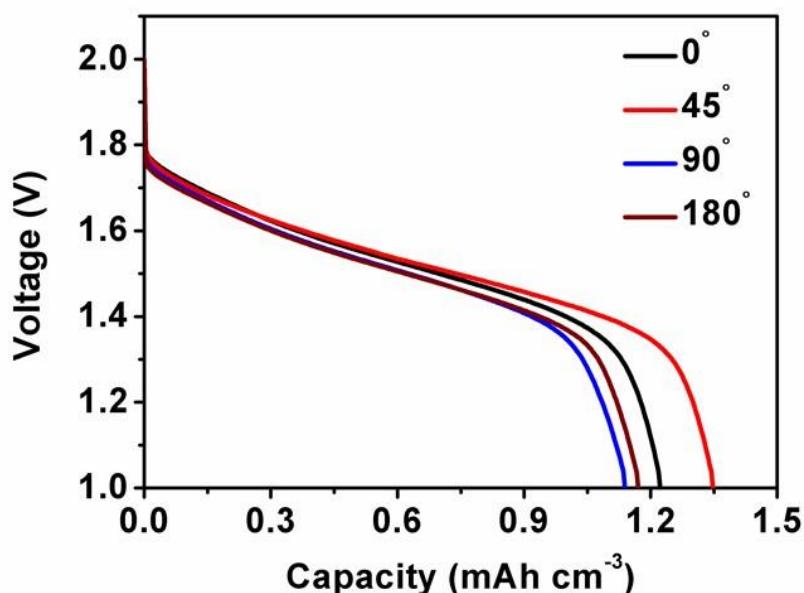
**Figure S19.** SEM images of 3D skeleton after 1500 cycles at  $40 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ .



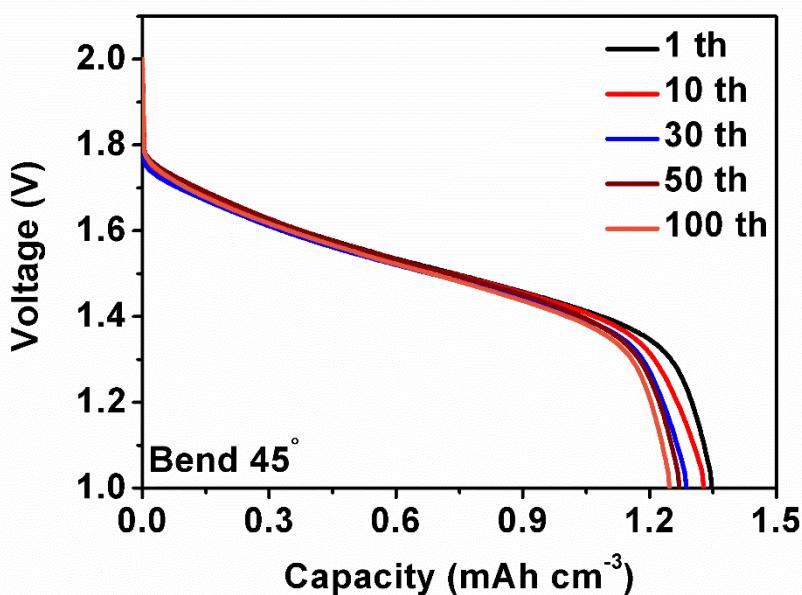
**Figure S20.** a) Cycling performance of aqueous Zn-Co battery using CC-Zn as anode at  $40 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ . The inset images are the SEM images of CC-Zn anode after cycling test.



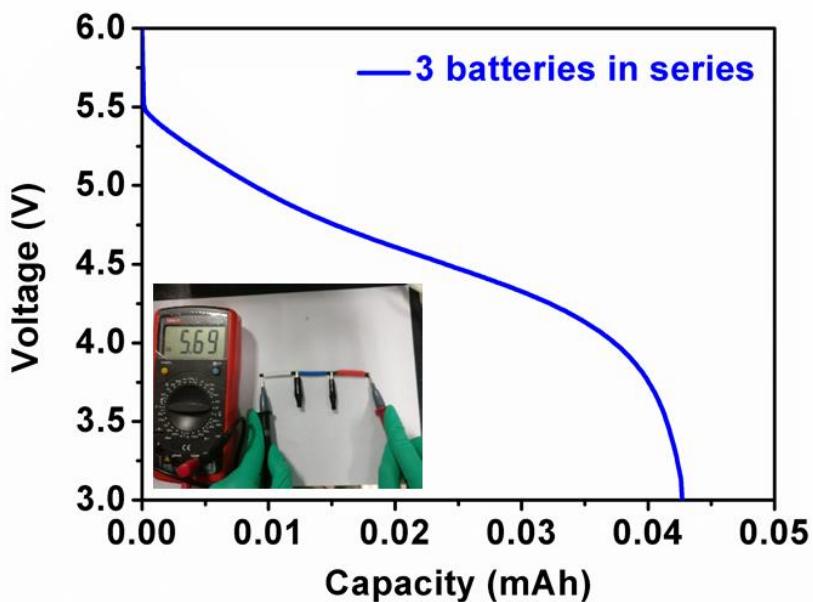
**Figure S21.** EIS results of Zn-Co battery using aqueous electrolyte (6 M KOH with 1.5 M ZnO) and solid-state (PVA-KOH) electrolyte.



**Figure S22.** The capacity of fiber-shaped Zn-Co battery under various deformation states.



**Figure S23.** The capacity of fiber-shaped Zn-Co battery under a number of bending tests.



**Figure S24.** Galvanostatic discharge curves of a three-in-series battery. The inset digital image is the voltage output of the three-in-series batteries.



**Figure S25.** a) A digital watch was powered by two-in-series battery. b) A digital watch was powered by a bracelet battery.

**Table S1.** Comparison of our Zn-Co battery with other aqueous batteries reported before.

Aqueous Batteries	Active material Mass (mg)	Specific Capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Capacity Retention (%)	Power Density (kW kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Energy Density (Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> )
<b>Ni-Zn battery (CC-CF@NiO//CC-CF@ZnO)<sup>[1]</sup></b>	<b>1.92</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>72.9% (2400 cycles)</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>355.7</b>
<b>Ni-Zn battery (NiAlCo LDH/CNT//Zn)<sup>[2]</sup></b>	<b>1.66</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>94% (2000 cycles)</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>274</b>
<b>Zn-Mn<sub>2</sub> battery<sup>[3]</sup></b>	<b>5.38</b>	<b>366.6</b>	<b>83.7% (300 cycles)</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>504</b>
<b>Ni-Fe battery (CC-CF@NiO//CC-CF@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>)<sup>[4]</sup></b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>88.6</b>	<b>70.5 (2000 cycles)</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>94.5</b>
<b>Ni-based batteries (GF/CNTs/Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub>)<sup>[5]</sup></b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>89.1% (1000 cycles)</b>	<b>0.287</b>	<b>100.7</b>
<b>Ni-Bi battery (Ni-Co LDH//Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sup>[6]</sup></b>	<b>2</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>93% (1000 cycles)</b>	<b>0.44</b>	<b>88.1</b>
<b>Ni-Zn battery (Zn-NiO)<sup>[7]</sup></b>	Not reported	<b>155</b>	<b>65% (500 cycles)</b>	Not reported	<b>228</b>
<b>Zn-ion batteries<sup>[8]</sup></b>	Not reported	<b>220</b>	<b>66.6% (35 cycles)</b>	Not reported	Not reported
<b>Na-Zn hybrid aqueous battery<sup>[9]</sup></b>	Not reported	<b>76.2</b>	<b>81% (1000 cycles)</b>	Not reported	<b>62.9</b>
<b>Zn//VS<sub>2</sub> batteries<sup>[10]</sup></b>	Not reported	<b>190.3</b>	<b>98% (200 cycles)</b>	Not reported	<b>123</b>
<b>Zn//Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Battery<sup>[11]</sup></b>	<b>2</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>80% (2000 cycles)</b>	Not reported	<b>241</b>
<b>Rocking-Chair NH<sub>4</sub>-Ion Battery<sup>[12]</sup></b>	Not reported	<b>158.9</b>	<b>67% (1000 cycles)</b>	Not reported	<b>43</b>
<b>Aqueous Lithium-Ion Battery<sup>[13]</sup></b>	Not reported	<b>40</b>	<b>82% (200 cycles)</b>	Not reported	<b>60</b>
<b>Ni-Bi battery (NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>/Bi)<sup>[14]</sup></b>	<b>1.41</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>89% (1000 cycles)</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>85.8</b>
<b>Our work</b>	<b>4.98</b>	<b>143.2</b>	<b>71.1% (5000 cycles)</b>	<b>12.6 (aqueous) 10.5 (solid-state)</b>	<b>235 (aqueous) 221.9 (solid-state)</b>

**Table S2.** Comparison of our flexible fiber-shaped Zn-Co battery with other reported before.

Flexible devices	Power Density (mW cm <sup>-3</sup> )	Energy Density (mWh cm <sup>-3</sup> )
<b>Ni-Zn battery<sup>[15]</sup></b>	<b>82.2</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>MnO<sub>2</sub>//Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>[16]</sup></b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>0.31</b>
<b>Ni/GF/H- CoMoO<sub>4</sub>/Ni/GF/H-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [17]</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>1.13</b>
<b>CNTs//Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>-C<sup>[18]</sup></b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>H-ZnO@MnO<sub>2</sub> Symmetrical supercapacitor<sup>[19]</sup></b>	<b>2.44</b>	<b>0.04</b>
<b>TiN//Fe<sub>2</sub>N<sup>[20]</sup></b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>PEDOT paper<sup>[21]</sup></b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Graphene//Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>[22]</sup></b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>0.4</b>
<b>VO<sub>x</sub>/VN<sup>[23]</sup></b>	<b>800</b>	<b>0.4</b>
<b>CoO@PPy//AC<sup>[24]</sup></b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>@MnO<sub>2</sub>//TiO<sub>2</sub>@C<sup>[25]</sup></b>	<b>210</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<b>MnO<sub>2</sub>//WON<sup>[26]</sup></b>	<b>600</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>MnO<sub>2</sub>/Ti- Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>@PEDOT<sup>[27]</sup></b>	<b>520</b>	<b>0.6</b>
<b>Fiber-Shaped Ni-Zn Battery<sup>[28]</sup></b>	<b>220</b>	<b>0.67</b>
<b>Our work</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>4.6</b>

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