

High-Performance V₂O₅ Based Flexible Symmetric Solid-State Supercapacitors

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Abstract

General vanadium oxide supercapacitors (SCs), have limited specific capacitance, electrochemical stability and are out of tune with wearable devices. To overcome all these limitations, a network V₂O₅ nanofibers was manufactured on a novel conductive printing paper (U-Paper) as electrodes linked with Urea-LiClO₄-PVA (ULP) neutral solid-state electrolyte for network V₂O₅ wearable symmetric supercapacitors (WSSCs). The function of ULP electrolyte not only can be doped into the conductive ink to decrease the resistance of conductive printing paper but also increases the stability of V₂O₅-based electrode. Moreover, network V₂O₅ WSSCs with ULP electrolyte are capable to support for a high operating voltage of 4.0 V, and offer high energy density (355 Wh/kg at 0.2 kW/kg). The V₂O₅ WSSCs show superior cycle stability/durability after 5000 cycling (capacitance retention of ~91%). The V₂O₅ WSSCs with ULP electrolyte demonstrate great potential as the prospective candidate for smarter 3D wearable energy storage devices and Internet of Things applications.

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