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# Continuously Interconnected N-Doped Porous Carbon for High-Performance Lithium-Ion Capacitors

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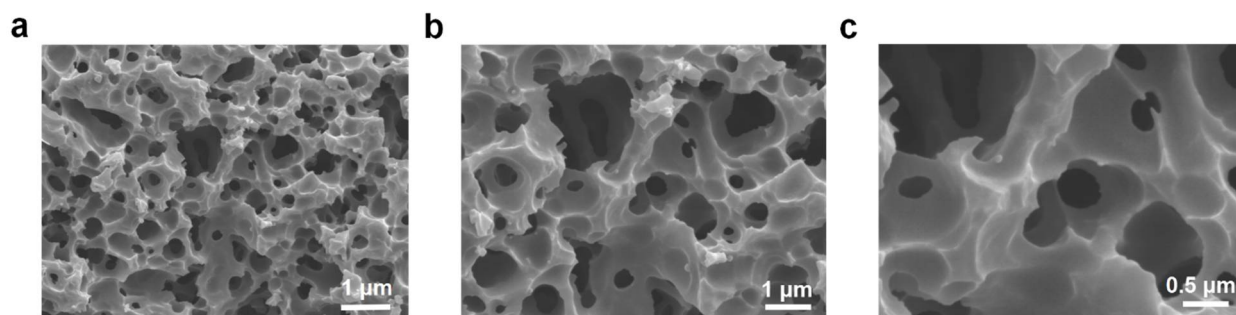
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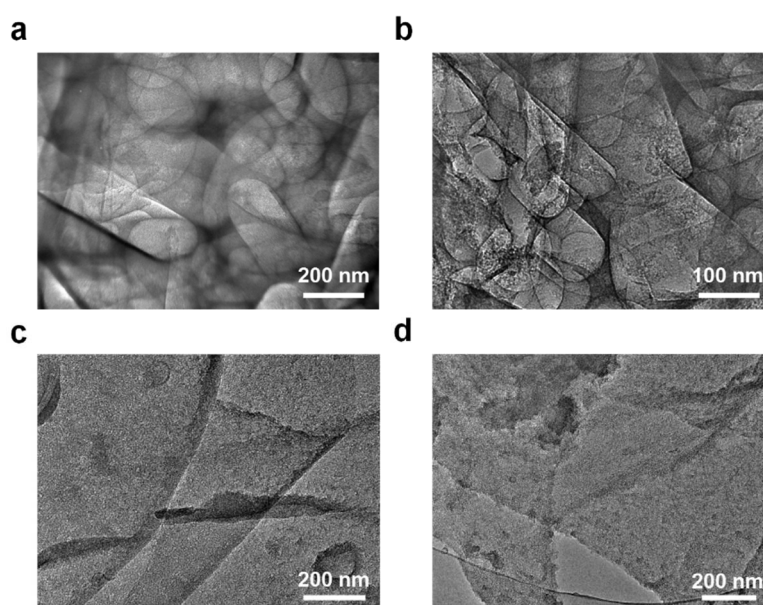


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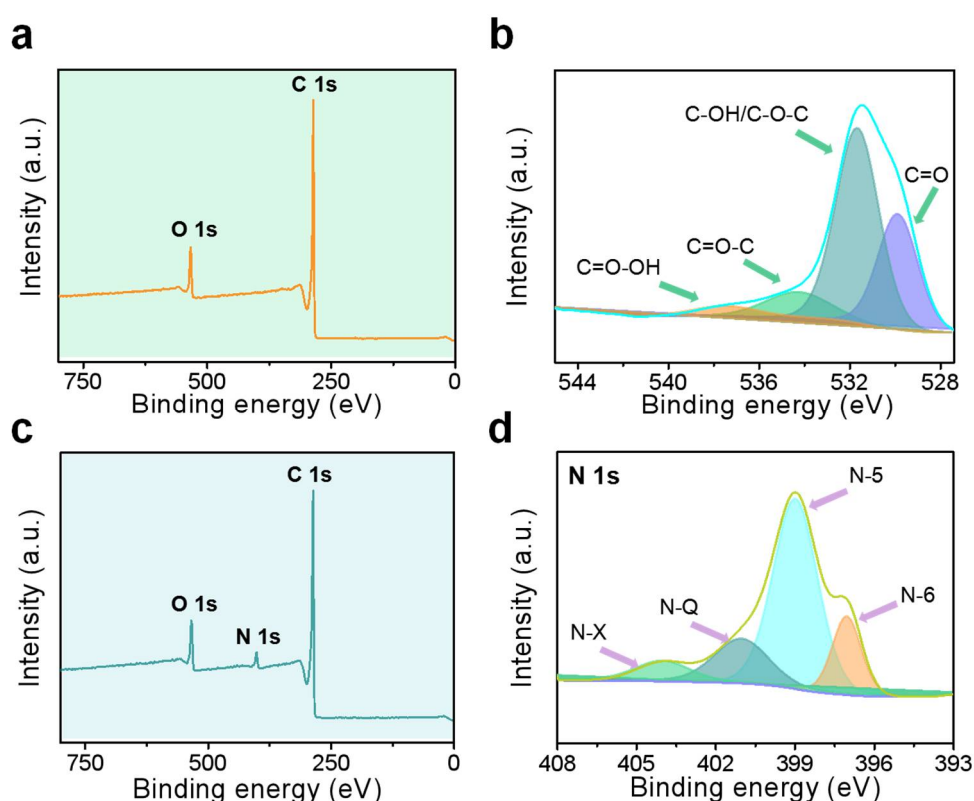
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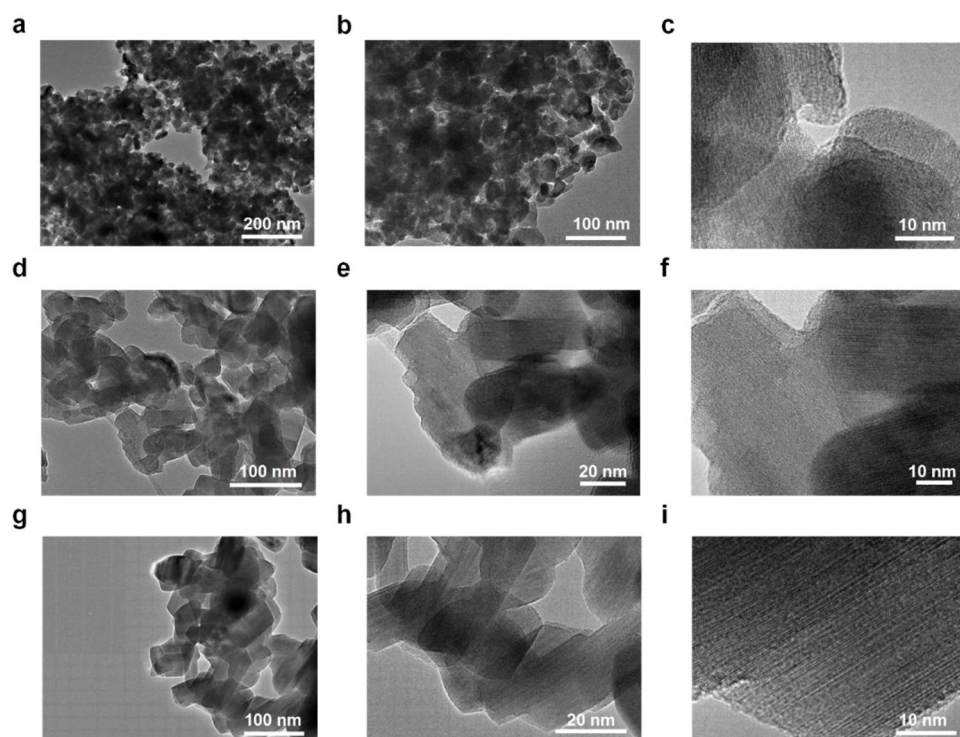
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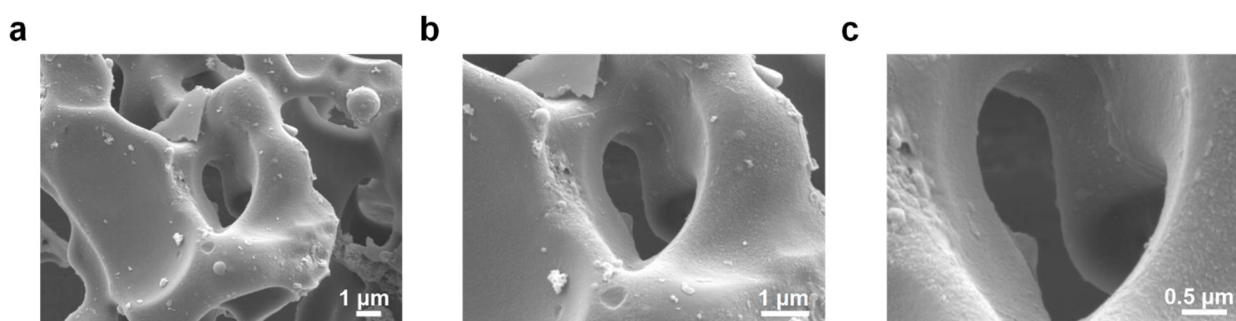
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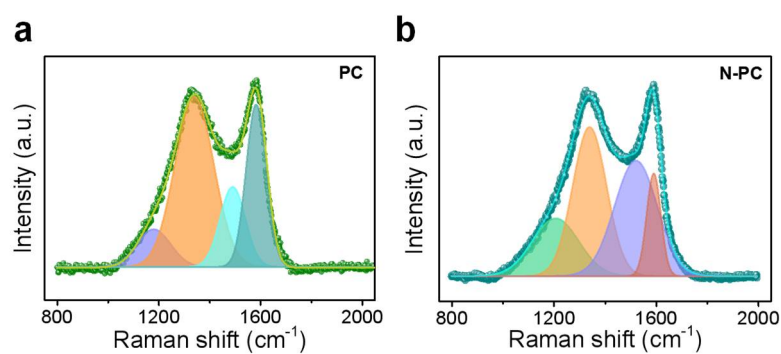
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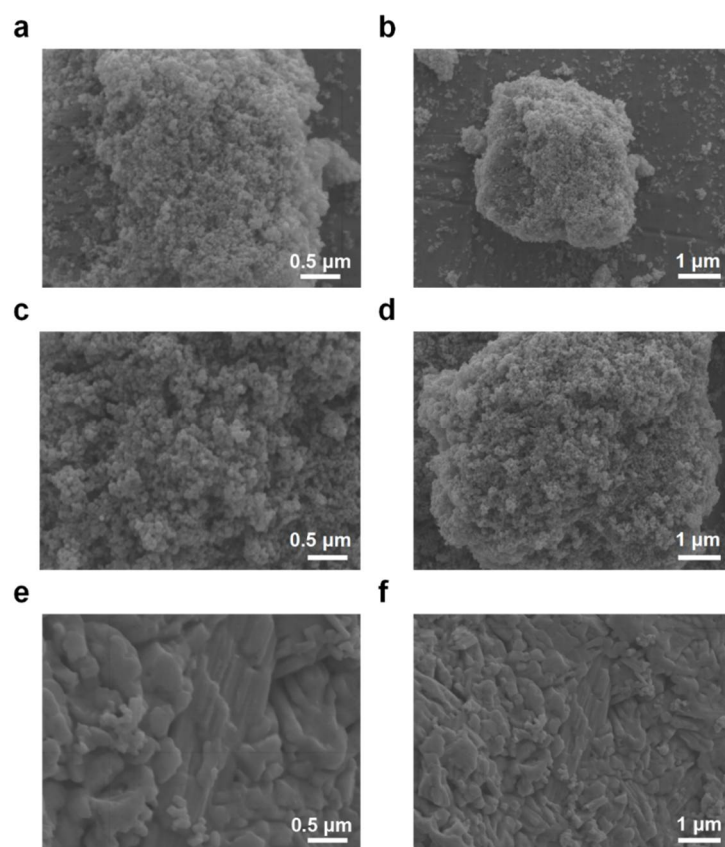
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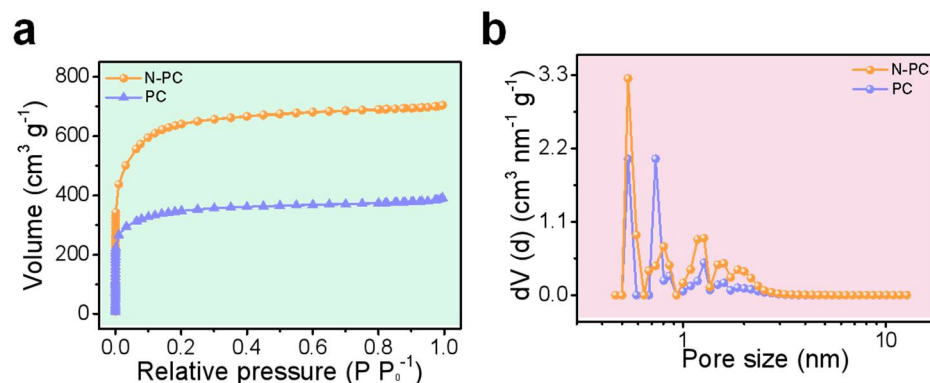
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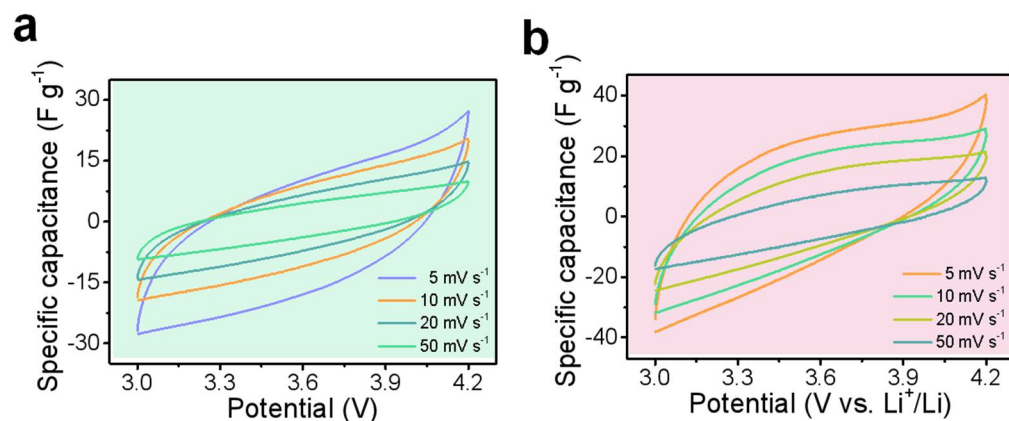
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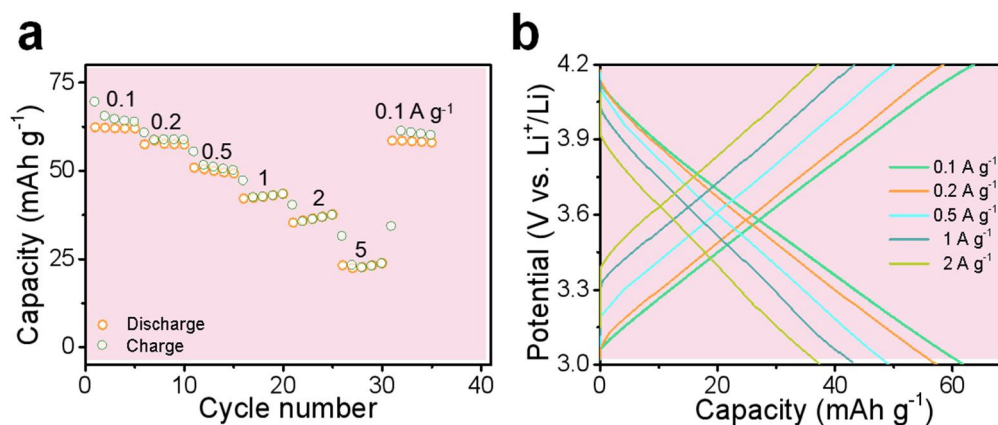
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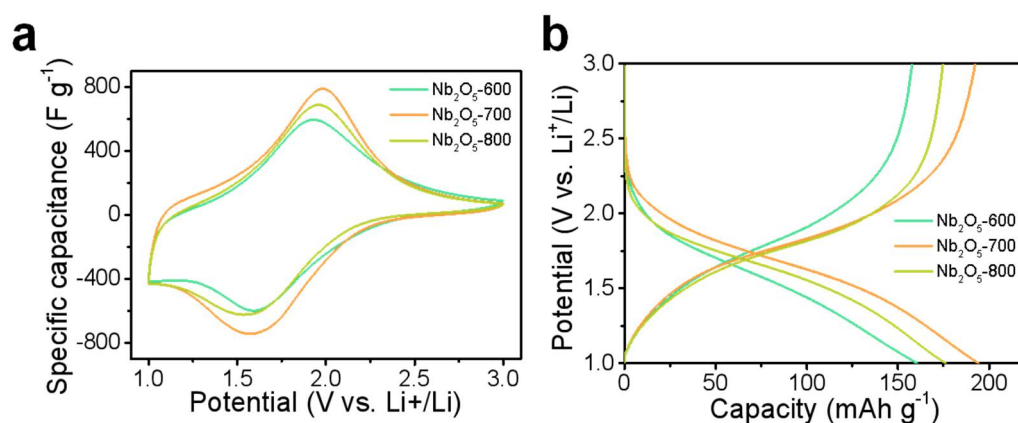
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**Table S1.** Analysis of the fitted N1s peaks from XPS and their relative percentages of functional groups.

Samples	N 1s fitting binding energy (eV; relative percentage, %)			
	398.7 (N-6)	399.6 (N-5)	400.6 (N-Q)	402.0 (N-X)
N-PC	16.03	46.58	29.19	8.20

**Table S2.** Analysis of the fitted C1s peaks from XPS and their relative percentages of functional groups.

Samples	C 1s Fitting Binding Energy (eV; Relative Percentage, %)			
	284.80 (C-C/C=C)	285.77 (C-O)	288.18 (C=O)	291.10 (O-C=O)
PC	56.34	23.18	14.37	6.11
N-PC	47.96	27.05	17.15	7.84

**Table S3.** Analysis of the fitted O1s peaks from XPS and their relative percentages of functional groups.

Samples	O 1s Fitting Binding Energy (eV; Relative Percentage, %)			
	531.30 (C=O)	532.97 (C-O-C)	534.76 (O=C-O)	538.18 (COOH)
PC	28.22	57.22	10.42	4.14
N-PC	22.08	63.30	10.26	4.36

**Table S4.** Porosity parameters of PC and N-PC.

Sample	N <sub>2</sub> Adsorption Desorption				
	SSA (m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )			Pore Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	
	S <sub>BET</sub> <sup>a</sup>	S <sub>micro</sub> <sup>b</sup>	S <sub>ext</sub> <sup>c</sup>	V <sub>total</sub> <sup>d</sup>	V <sub>micro</sub> <sup>e</sup>
PC	1306	874	431	0.60	0.34
N-PC	2419	1594	825	1.09	0.62

<sup>a</sup> Specific surface area (S<sub>BET</sub>) was calculated using the Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) method; <sup>b,c</sup> Specific micropore surface area (S<sub>micro</sub>) and specific external surface area (S<sub>ext</sub>) were calculated using the t-plot method; <sup>d,e</sup> The total pore volume (V<sub>total</sub>) was determined at a relative pressure of 0.98, and the micropore volume (V<sub>micro</sub>) was obtained by t-plot analysis.