

However, to make the bio-inspired soft robot be a highly animal-like machine, more effective functionalities, such as self-sensing, power storage and charging, should be integrated into the robot rather than only actuation [44], [45], [46], [47]. Some soft robot systems integrated with power modules have been proposed yet limited by the power supply endurance or ...

The essence of these lessons is the platform to share and utilize the hard and soft assets to achieve the desired performance and service in a highly distributed system. In the last few years, this kind of platform-based approach has attracted attentions in the energy sector and the idea of energy platforms has been explored in different ...

Bismuth (Bi)-based materials have been receiving considerable attention as promising electrode materials in the fields of electrochemical energy stora...

the potential of soft carbon for achieving high-energy, high-rate, and low-cost energy storage systems. X. Yao, Y. Ke, X. Wang, F. Xiong, W. Yang, M. Qin, Prof. Q. Li, Prof. L. Mai State Key Laboratory of Advanced Technology for Materials Synthesis and Processing International School of Materials Science and Engineering Wuhan University of ...

Electrical Energy Storage, EES, is one of the key technologies in the areas covered by the IEC. EES techniques have shown unique capabilities in coping with some ...

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Lithium-ion batteries (LIBs) as one of the most significant energy storage technologies would encounter obstacles for practical application due to the insufficient lithium resources on the Earth and the increasing cost [1], [2], [3], [4] this regard, potassium-ion batteries (KIBs) are considered as promising alternative metal-ion batteries owing to the ...

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Carbon materials are considered to be one of the most promising anodes for sodium ion batteries. However, the sodium storage mechanism of carbon anodes is still in dispute. In the current work, we prepared a series of carbon materials ranging from soft carbon to hard carbon, with well tailorable microcrystal structure and closed pores. By employing these ...

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5.3 Hard carbons. Comparing with soft carbons, hard carbons are the carbon materials which are not transformed into the graphite structure when the carbonization temperature gets high because there are complicated frameworks of carbon precursors. Therefore, after the carbonization process, hard carbons always have extensive small pores, cracking microstructure, ...

Hard carbon is synthesised from precursor materials rich in carbon and generally at high temperatures [].Synthetic polymeric feedstock materials such as polyacrylonitrile fibers, phenolic resin, and resorcinol ...

Soft-hard carbon composite from 3,4,9,10-perylenetetracarboxylic acid and melamine showed improved rate capacity and cyclic ... Ex situ XRD and Raman experiments were performed to further understand the energy storage mechanism of the PSC/PHC-0.5 anode. Fig. 6 (a) reveals the voltage-time curve of the K//PSC/PHC-0.5 half-cell. As ...

The table provides a comparison of various characteristics such as magnetic permeability, coercivity, magnetization, hysteresis loss, saturation magnetization, and thermal stability of soft and hard magnetic materials. Summary . Soft magnetic materials are easily magnetized and demagnetized, exhibiting high magnetic permeability.

Thereby, this strategy of achieving synergism between soft and hard carbon provides an attractive route to improve the performance of the MSC, especially in terms of ...

The low carbon yield of hard-carbon precursors, such as biomass, undermines the cost advantage of sodium-ion batteries and is not conducive to their wide acceptance and applications in energy storage areas. Compared ...

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Along with the sloping voltage region, hard carbon also exhibits a low voltage plateau below 0.1 V that leads to a large capacity and a low average redox potential, resulting in a high energy density. 39 Furthermore, the ICE of ...

The electrochemical results show that the soft-carbon-coated, free-standing hard-carbon electrodes can achieve an ultrahigh ICE of 94.1% and long cycling performance (99% capacity retention after 100 cycles at a

current ...

Synergistic effects between hard carbons and soft carbons are proven to be helpful for improving the electrochemical performance of carbonaceous anode for potassium-ion batteries (PIBs).

Soft carbons can be tuned into graphite while subjected to very high temperatures (>2000 °C), while hard carbons are hardly graphitized even at 3000 °C. Figure 2 shows the basic structure of ...

Sodium storage behavior in hard carbon is more complicated due to the unique microstructure of hard carbon, which affects directly sodium storage mechanism. As shown in Fig. 2 d, sodium ions can be inserted into parallel carbon layers, filled into nanopores and adsorbed on the surface, edges or defect sites of hard carbon [53].

Overcoming the limitations of low energy density and efficiency is a pertinent challenge for the continued development of micro-supercapacitive (MSC) energy storage devices. Traditional metal-thin film-based current collectors suffer from improper interfacial contact with the active material leading to rapid decay in cyclability, while carbon based current collectors ...

Template method, including soft template and hard template, enable the researchers to design the component and structure of templates according to the performance and morphology requirements of the target productions [[9], [10], [11]]. ... In Section "Energy Storage Applications of 3DCN composites", we will introduce the applications of ...

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Xue et al.[81] have proposed a pitch-based porous carbon prepared by mixing soft and hard carbon precursors for SCs (Fig. 7a). During the process of carbonization, pitch melts and wraps on the surface of hard carbon that could be used as a template. ... As for the energy storage applications, supercapacitors possess high power density and long ...

In contrast, the hard carbon (HC) with large interlayer spacing and sodium storage sites has been widely used in commercial SIB [31, 32]. Compared with other anode materials, HC has superiorities of high reversible capacity, excellent cycle performance, and low cost, which is suitable for grid-scale energy storage.

In recent years, the demand of large-scale energy storage systems has been increasing due to the rapid development of renewable energy. Lithium-ion batteries (LIBs) have been widely used in new energy vehicles and portable electronic devices, due to the advantages of high energy density and excellent cycling stability [1, 2]. However, the uneven distribution ...

Ordered and disordered carbonaceous materials cover a wide range of the energy storage materials market. In

this work a thorough analysis of the Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS) patterns of a number of carbon samples for energy storage (including graphite, soft carbon, hard carbon, activated carbon, glassy carbon and carbide-derived carbon) is shown.

Soft energy storage materials refer to innovative substances that can efficiently store energy in versatile, dynamic ways, enhancing the overall performance and capacity of ...

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