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ABSTRACT

Derived from avocado fruit, a three dimension (3D) carbon is prepared *via* a hydrothermal/pyrolysis process followed by embedding with MnO nanoparticles by a wet chemical method and coating with Al₂O₃ through an atomic layer deposition technique. The obtained material presents a hierarchical structure that MnO nanocrystals wrapped in 3D carbon and then encapsulated in a uniform Al₂O₃ layer with a thickness of about 5 nm. Benefiting from this hierarchical structure in which 3D carbon offers numerous electronic pathways to enhance the conductivity and Al₂O₃ nanolayer provide a shelter to keep away from dissolution of Mn⁴⁺ and

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