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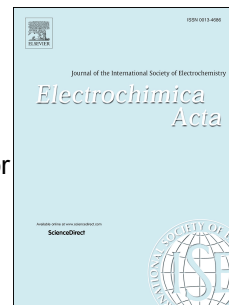
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Abstract:

Featured with superior structural stability and highest redox potential, the olivine LiCoPO₄ parades itself as a conceit battery-type material. To deploy its foot in the field of hybrid supercapacitors a series of LiCoPO₄ with three contrasting morphologies were achieved. The evolution of morphology from clustered microspheres to elongated rods and multifaceted submicronic particles has an appreciative effect on the particle size and electrochemical properties. Endowed with distinct qualities such as high crystallinity, and multifaceted morphology of LiCoPO₄ prepared at alkaline pH provides a superior specific capacitance of 381 C g⁻¹ (1060 F g⁻¹) at 1 mV s⁻¹ and a maximum discharge specific capacitance of 253 C g⁻¹ (631 F g⁻¹) at 0.6 mA cm⁻². The fabricated hybrid supercapacitor using prepared LiCoPO₄ at the pH-12 condition as a battery type positive electrode and Fe₂O₃ as the negative electrode provides a grander energy density of 18 Wh kg⁻¹ at an enhanced power density of 443 W kg⁻¹ with a sustained cyclic performance for about 5000 cycles.

Keywords: Olivine; Lithium cobalt phosphate; sol-gel synthesis; Morphological effect; Hybrid capacitor

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