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Electrochemical intercalation of lithium in $\text{Li}_4\text{T}_5\text{O}_{12}/\text{C}$ composite with different percentage of carbon

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$\text{Li}_4\text{T}_5\text{O}_{12}/\text{C}$ composites with different content of carbon black (16 wt.% LITX200L, 32 wt.% LITX200L, 60 wt.% LITX200L, 61 wt.% PBX51) were prepared in two steps under identical conditions: hydrothermal reaction at 130 °C and post-calcination at 400 °C. The accent is on electrochemical measurements and how carbon content influences on electrochemical properties of $\text{Li}_4\text{T}_5\text{O}_{12}/\text{C}$ composites. The $\text{Li}_4\text{T}_5\text{O}_{12}/60\%$ LITX200L composite showed best electrochemical performance: the cyclic voltammograms consisted of well defined reversible redox peaks at a scan rate as high as 10 mV/s, while, galvanostatic cycling showed coulombic capacity of 162 mAh/g at a discharging rate of 1C.

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Sol-gel synthesis of $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSiO}_4/\text{C}$

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Lithium transition-metal orthosilicates with general formula Li_2MSiO_4 (M = Fe, Mn, Co, etc.) have attracted a lot of interest due to their potentially high theoretical capacities arising from the possibility of the extraction of two Li-ions per formula unit. $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSiO}_4$ takes prominent position among this family of compounds due to its structural stability and natural abundance of iron. In this study, $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSiO}_4/\text{C}$ composite was synthesized by simple method which involves rapid heating, short high-temperature delay, and subsequent quenching. Starting materials were Li_2CO_3 , $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{Si}(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_4$ (TEOS) and water-soluble methylcellulose. Precursor preparation is based on the sol-gel processing and provides homogenous mixing at the molecular level. Structural analysis, morphology examination and electrochemical test of thus obtained powder were performed.