Synthesis, characterization and performance of Mn₃O₄ for Lithium ion battery application

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One-pot synthesis of manganese (II,III) oxide (Mn3O4) nanocrystals was achieved by a facile solvothermal method using manganese(II) acetate tetrahydrate in the solvent N,N-dimethylformamide. The morphological properties of the product were characterized by X-ray powder diffraction (XRD), transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and selected-area electron diffraction (SAED), Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectra, N2 adsorption-desorption isotherm, and thermogravimetric analysis (TGA). On the other hand, galvanostatic charge-discharge (GCD) will be used to assess the electrochemical properties of Mn3O4 for use as electrode material for lithium ion battery. This work was supported by the National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF) grant funded by the Ministry of Science, ICT & Future Planning (No. 2012R1A2A1A01009683) and the Ministry of Education (No. 2009–0093816).