

Short communication

## Integrated Charge Transfer in $\text{Li}_3\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3/\text{C}$ for High-Power Li-Ion Batteries

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To improve the charge transfer kinetics in monoclinic  $\text{Li}_3\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3$  (LVP), LVP nanoparticles with sizes ranging from 100 to 200 nm that were completely encapsulated in amorphous carbon networks (LVP/C) are synthesized by a facile sol-gel method using two carbon sources of citric acid and span80 ( $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{44}\text{O}_6$ ). Span80, possessing strongly hydrophilic functional groups, is essential for the formation of the three-dimensional conductive carbon matrix. When applied as the cathode for Li-ion batteries, LVP/C nanocomposite displays an excellent cycling stability and rate capability, e.g., delivering the capacity of  $85 \text{ mAh g}^{-1}$  at the high rate of 30 C.

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