Supplemental Material for "Electrochemical Behavior of

Vanadium Carbide in Neutral Aqueous Electrolytes"

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For systems exhibiting capacitive and semi-infinite linear diffusion process, the current (i) for capacitive process of a cyclic voltammetry experiment is proportional to sweep rate(v), while the current of diffusion limited process is proportional to $v^{1/2}$. the current flowing at a specific potential i(V) is defined as:

 $i (V) = k_1 v + k_2 v^{1/2}$(1)

where k_1 and k_2 are fitting parameters. A plot of $i(V)/\upsilon^{1/2}$ versus $\upsilon^{1/2}$ should produce a straight line from which k_1 and k_2 can be determined, and hence the contributions to capacitive and diffusive current can be deduced[1].



Figure.S1 capacitive contribution of $d-V_2C$ in Li_2SO_4 (a), (b) and $MgSO_4$ (c), (d)



Figure.S2 Nyquist plot from EIS.



Figure.S3 XRD patterns of $d-V_2C$ dry and immersed in 0.5 M Li₂SO₄ and 1 M MgSO₄. Electrochemical in situ X-Ray diffraction study of $d-V_2C$ in different electrolytes.

Reference

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