

## Supporting Information

### High performance Na-O<sub>2</sub> batteries and printed micro-supercapacitors based on water-processable, biomolecule-assisted anodic graphene

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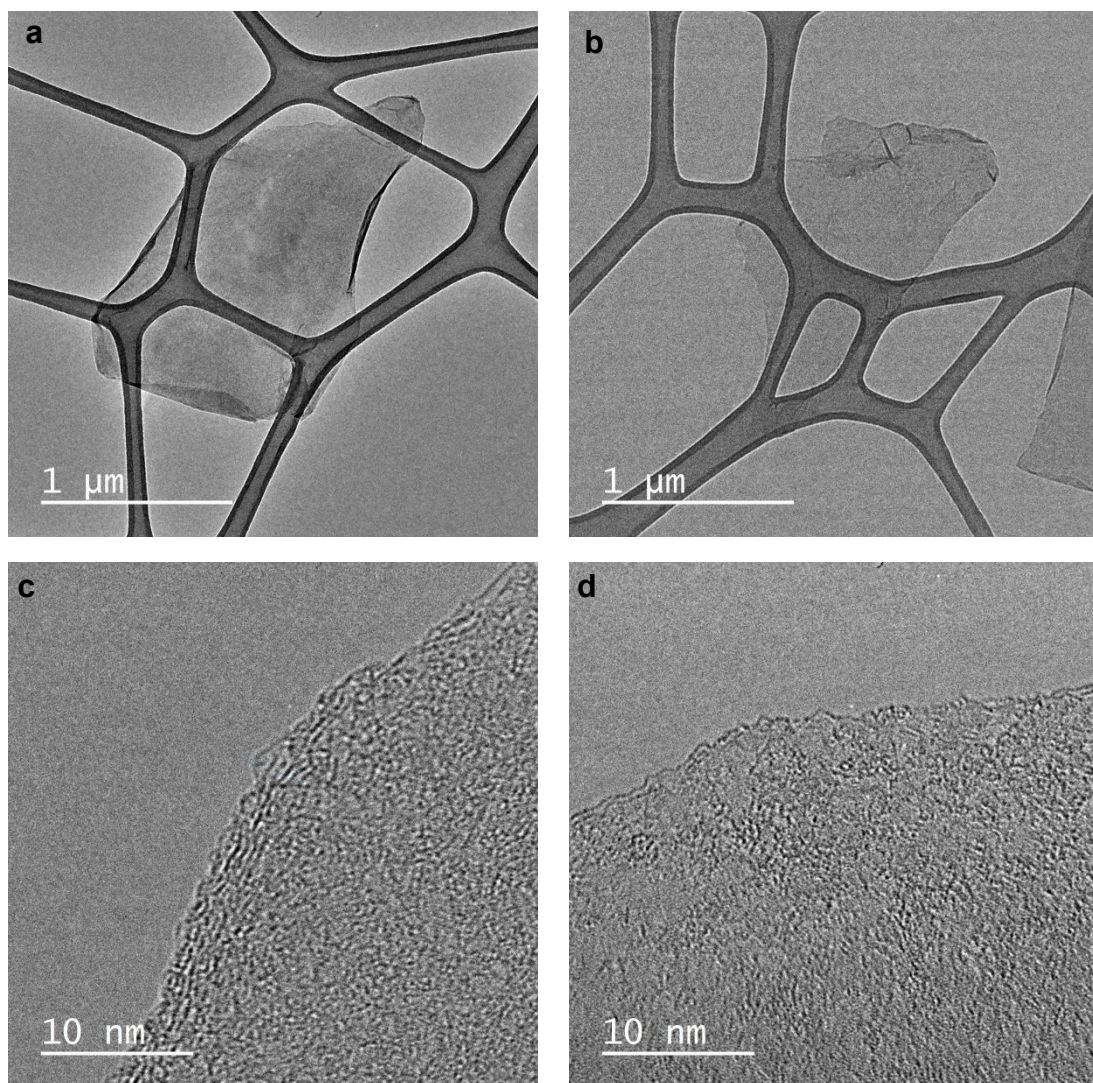
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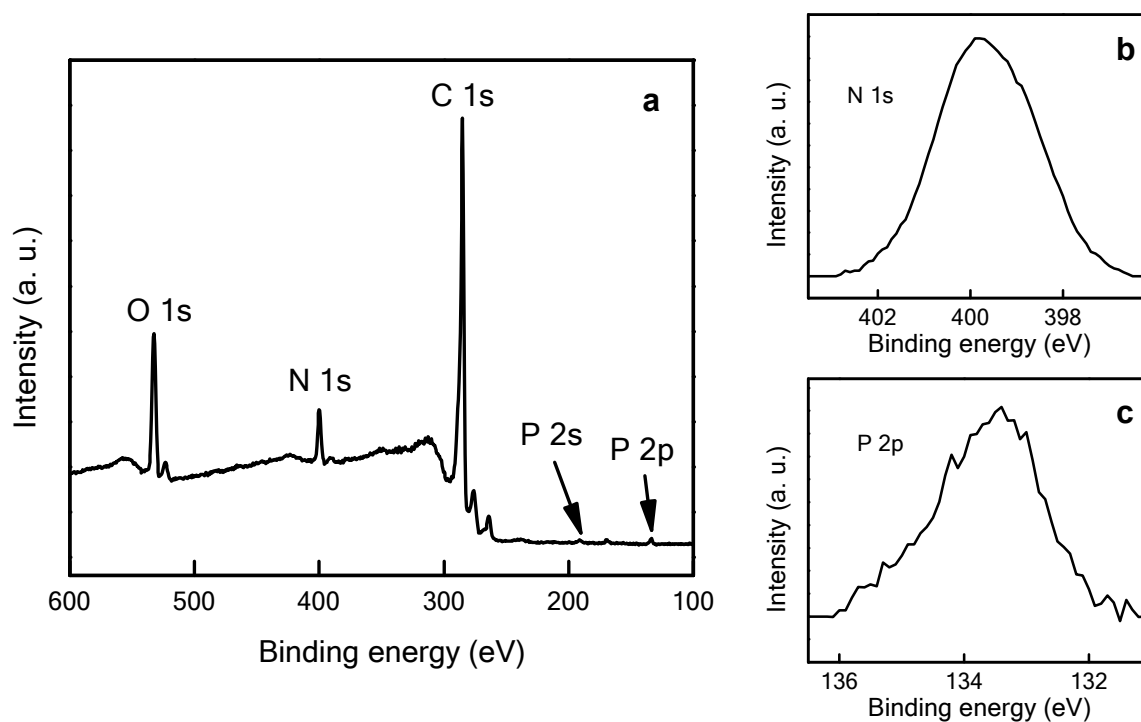
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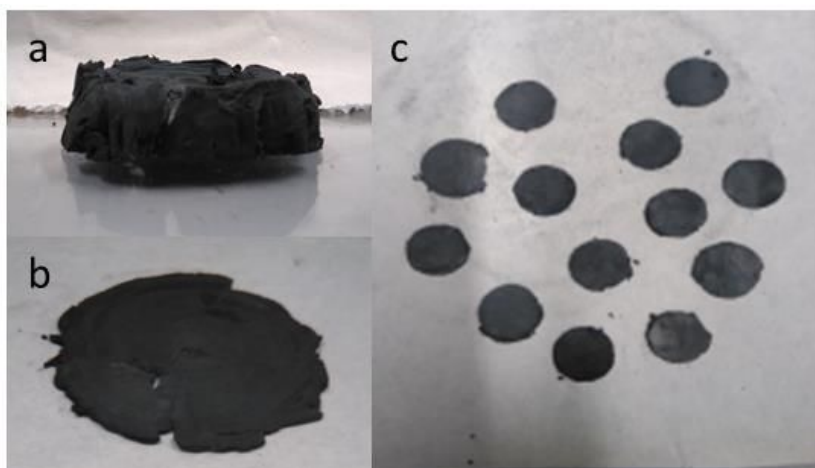
**Figure S1.** Digital photograph of a bottle containing an aqueous anodic graphene dispersion at a concentration of  $2 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$  derived from derived from 0.1 M AMP.



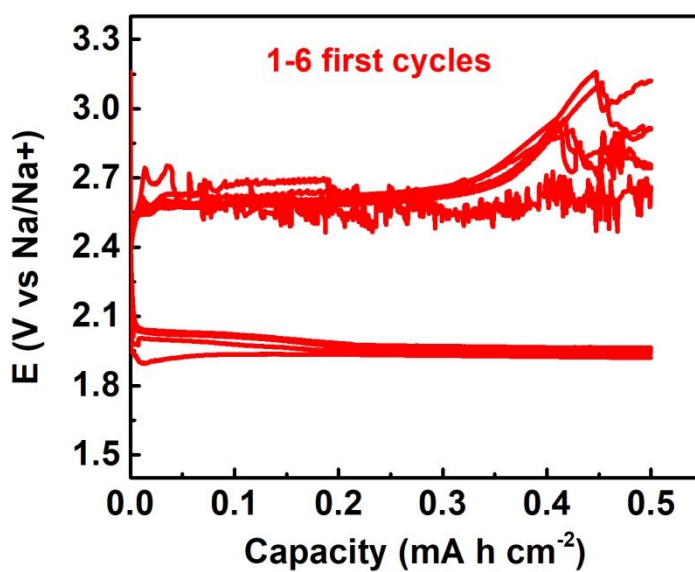
**Figure S2.** (a,b) TEM images of individual graphene nanosheets and (c,d) high resolution TEM images of flake edges. By counting the dark fringes at the flake edges, the nanosheets were found to be  $\leq 5$  layers thick. TEM was accomplished in a JEM-2100F system (JEOL) working at an acceleration voltage of 200 kV



**Figure S3.** Additional XPS characterization of graphene nanosheets extracted by sonication in water from graphite anodically expanded using 0.1 M AMP: (a) survey spectra where the XPS bands have been labeled for clarity; background-subtracted, high resolution XPS spectra of (b) N1s and (c) P 2p core level bands. The graphene film analyzed by XPS was drop-cast from dispersion after seven washing cycles, each of them consisting of sedimentation and re-dispersion in pure water. Still, after such extensive washing, some AMP remained absorbed on its surface as reflected by its surface composition. Indeed, the P/C atomic ratio  $\sim 0.007$ , which leads to  $\sim 1$  nucleotide molecule per each  $7 \text{ nm}^2$  for a graphene monolayer. This value is just a lower limit, given that, as explained in the main text, most of the present nanosheets are few-layer flakes. Thus, the actual value should be  $\sim 1$  nucleotide molecule per each  $1\text{--}2 \text{ nm}^2$ .

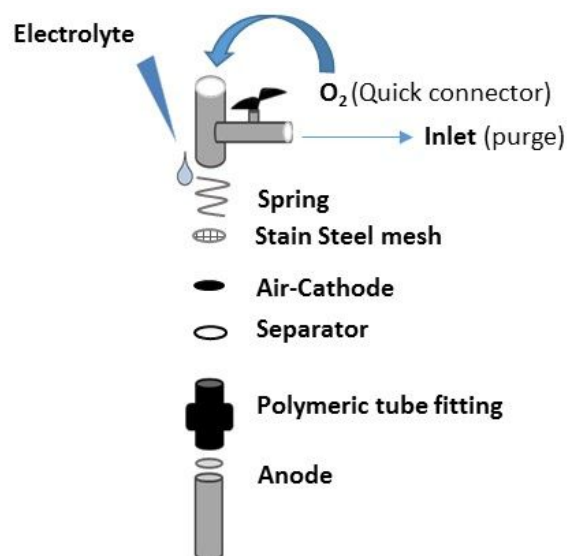


**Figure S4.** (a) Anodic graphene aerogel prepared using a  $2 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$  dispersion derived from AMP. (b) Smashed aerogel from which (c)  $0.95 \text{ cm}^2$  discs were cut out.



**Figure S5.** First cycles recorded during galvanostatic charge/discharge of graphene aerogel cathode at  $0.2 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$  using  $0.1 \text{ M NaPF}_6$  in DEGDME as the electrolyte. The observed voltage noise during the first cycles is ascribed to the formation of an electrically insulating, passivation layer on the cathode during discharge.

The cell used in this study was a modified Swagelok-type connected to a valve and a rapid gas connector, which was placed at the cathode side. A spring and a stainless steel mesh on top of the cathode to ensure the electronic conduction were placed. In order to replace the Ar inside the cell after assembling in the glove-box, the cells were purged and further pressurized with oxygen at 1 bar.”



**Figure S6.** Schematic cell configuration of the Na-O<sub>2</sub> battery used in this work.

**Table S1.** Electrochemical performances of Na-air/O<sub>2</sub> batteries produced by this work and reported in literature.

| Air-cathode<br>[loading (mg) and<br>area (cm <sup>2</sup> )] | Electrolyte/<br>Environment  | Discharge properties  |   |                         | Cycling performance     |  |                      | Ref.         |
|--|--|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------|--------------|
|  |  | Capacity  | Discharge<br>product  | Morphology              | Voltage<br>range<br>(V) | Cycles   | Overpotential<br>(V) |              |
| Graphene<br>nanosheets<br>[unknown]                          | 0.25 NaPF <sub>6</sub><br>DME <sup>1</sup>   | 9268 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at<br>200 mA g <sup>-1</sup>   | Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>  | Film                    | 1.5-4                   | 10 (300 mA g <sup>-1</sup> to<br>1200 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )                    | 1.46-1.59            | S1           |
| Nitrogen doped<br>graphene<br>[0.3;0.71]                     | 0.5 mol dm <sup>-3</sup><br>NaSO <sub>3</sub> CF <sub>3</sub><br>DEGDME <sup>2</sup> | 6000 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> or<br>3.63 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup><br>at 75 mA g <sup>-1</sup>            | Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>  | Small<br>particles      | 1.8-3.6                 | 3 (75 mA g <sup>-1</sup> to<br>1150 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )                      | 0.6                  | S2           |
| Graphene<br>nanosheets with<br>Pt nanoparticles<br>[unknown] | 1M<br>NaClO <sub>4</sub> :PC <sup>3</sup>  | 7574 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at<br>0.1 mA cm <sup>-2</sup>  | Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>   | Nanometric<br>particles | 2-3.5                   | 10 (0.1 mA cm <sup>-2</sup><br>to 100 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )                    | 1.3                  | S3           |
| Ag-reduced<br>graphene oxide<br>[0.85 mg cm <sup>-2</sup> ]  | 1M NaPF <sub>6</sub><br>TEGDME <sup>3</sup>  | 566 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at<br>0.1 mA cm <sup>-2</sup>   | NaO <sub>2</sub> ,<br>Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> and<br>Na <sub>2</sub> O | Nanometric<br>particles | 1.5-4.5                 | 30 (0.2 mA cm <sup>-2</sup> to<br>0.125 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup> )                 | 0.9                  | S4           |
| Reduced<br>graphene<br>oxide [0.15;0.5]                      | 0.25M<br>NaClO <sub>4</sub><br>DME <sup>3</sup>                                      | 40000 mAh g <sup>-1</sup><br>or 12 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup><br>at 0.1 mA cm <sup>-2</sup>           | NaO <sub>2</sub>  | Cubic<br>particles      | 1.8-2.8                 | 17 (0.1 mA cm <sup>-2</sup><br>to 1 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup> )                     | 0.4                  | S5           |
| Reduced<br>graphene oxide<br>aerogel<br>[1.5-2.5;0.95]       | 0.1M<br>NaClO <sub>4</sub><br>DME <sup>3</sup>                                       | 6.61 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup><br>at 0.15-0.2 mA<br>cm <sup>-2</sup>                                 | NaO <sub>2</sub>  | Cubic<br>particles      | 1.8-3.2                 | 40 (0.15 mA cm <sup>-2</sup> to 0.5<br>mAh cm <sup>-2</sup> )                  | 0.26                 | S6           |
| 3D N-doped<br>graphene aerogel<br>[1; 1.2]                   | 0.3M<br>NaCF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub><br>DEGDME <sup>2</sup>                     | 10 905 mA h<br>g <sub>carbon</sub> <sup>-1</sup> at<br>100 mA g <sub>carbon</sub> <sup>-1</sup> | Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>  | Nanometric<br>particles | 2.0-4.0                 | 100 (100 mA g <sup>-1</sup> to 500<br>mA h g <sub>carbon</sub> <sup>-1</sup> ) | 0.2                  | S7           |
| This work<br>[3-4;0.95]                                      | 0.1 M NaPF <sub>6</sub><br>DEGDME <sup>3</sup>                                       | 3.8 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup> at<br>0.2 mA cm <sup>-2</sup>  | NaO <sub>2</sub>  | Cubic<br>particles      | 1.8-3.2                 | 50 (0.2 mA cm <sup>-2</sup> to<br>0.5 mAh cm <sup>-2</sup> )                   | 0.59-0.73            | This<br>work |

<sup>1</sup> dried air

<sup>2</sup> 1 atm O<sub>2</sub>

<sup>3</sup> O<sub>2</sub>

**Table S2.** Areal and volumetric capacitance ( $C_A$ ,  $C_V$ ), energy ( $E_A$ ,  $E_V$ ) and power ( $P_A$ ,  $P_V$ ) values of a range of graphene-based electrodes determined with a two-electrode system. In general, the areas are those of the whole device, including the gaps between fingers. The thickness of the electrode material ( $t$ ) is also indicated.

| Material                                   | T<br>( $\mu\text{m}$ ) | $I_A$<br>( $\mu\text{A cm}^{-2}$ ) | $C_A$<br>( $\text{mF cm}^{-2}$ ) | $E_A$<br>( $\mu\text{W h cm}^{-2}$ ) | $P_A$<br>( $\text{mW cm}^{-2}$ ) | $I_V$<br>( $\text{A cm}^{-3}$ ) | $C_V$<br>( $\text{F cm}^{-3}$ ) | $E_V$<br>( $\text{mW h cm}^{-3}$ ) | $P_V$<br>( $\text{W cm}^{-3}$ ) | Ref.      |
|--|------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| reduced GO (rGO)                           | 7.6                    | 0.013                              | 2.32                             | 0.152                                | 152                              | 0.0168                          | 3.05                            | 0.2                                | 200                             | S8        |
| rGO  | -                      | 20                                 | 2.0                              | -                                    | -                                | -                               | -                               | -                                  | -                               | S9        |
| N-doped rGO                                | 10                     | 20                                 | 3.4                              | 0.3                                  | 0.2                              | 0.02                            | 3.4                             | 0.3                                | 0.2                             | S9        |
| Graphene/ethylcellulose (EC) by LPE        | 0.04                   | 1                                  | 0.07                             | 0.01                                 | 0.16                             | 0.25                            | 17.8                            | 2.47                               | 40.3                            | S10       |
| Graphene/EC by LPE                         | 0.32                   | -                                  | 0.268                            | 0.035                                | 0.0045                           | -                               | 8.38                            | 1                                  | 0.01                            | S11       |
| Graphene/EC by LPE                         | 0.027                  | 0.025                              | 0.099                            | 0.005                                | 0.0001                           | 0.009                           | 36.7                            | $\sim 2$                           | $\sim 0.04$                     | S12       |
| Electrochemically exfoliated graphene (EG) | 0.5                    | -                                  | 0.8                              | -                                    | -                                | -                               | 16                              | -                                  | -                               | S13       |
| EG/PH1000 hybrid                           | 2                      | -                                  | 5.4                              | -                                    | -                                | -                               | 27                              | -                                  | -                               | S13       |
| EG   | 0.75                   | -                                  | 0.7                              | 0.075                                | 0.0075                           | -                               | 9.3                             | 1                                  | 0.1                             | S14       |
| EG   | 0.1                    | -                                  | 0.313                            | 0.02                                 | 0.0004                           | -                               | 31.3                            | $\sim 2$                           | $\sim 0.04$                     | S15       |
| F-doped EG                                 | 0.7                    | 0.014                              | 14.2                             | 3.92                                 | 1.47                             | 0.2                             | 110                             | 56                                 | 21                              | S16       |
| EG   | 0.4                    | -                                  | 0.441                            | -                                    | -                                | -                               | 1.16                            | -                                  | -                               | S17       |
| AMP-EG                                     | 0.3                    | 5.4                                | 0.27                             | 0.03                                 | 0.003                            | 0.2                             | 8.5                             | 1.2                                | 0.1                             | This work |



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