## **Supporting Information**

## Naphthaquinone-based Composite Cathodes for Aqueous Rechargeable Zinc-ion Batteries

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## Supporting figures:

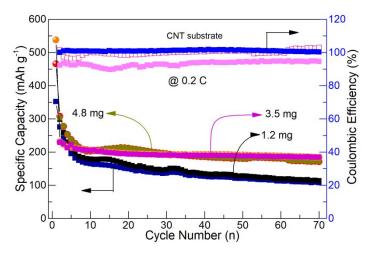


Figure S1. Electrochemical performance optimization with different mass loadings.

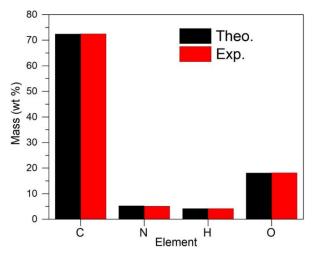


Figure S2. Elemental analysis of the as-synthesized APh-NQ.

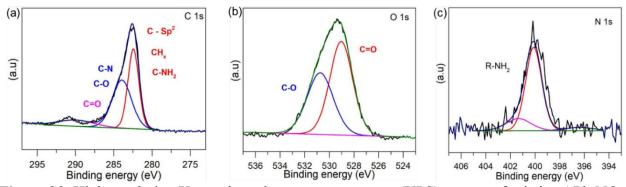
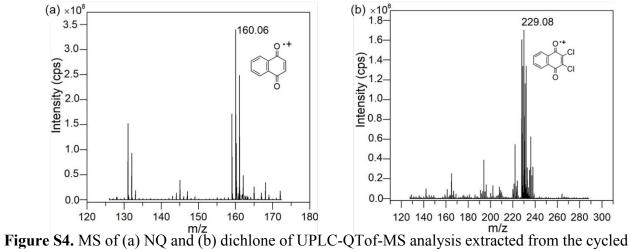
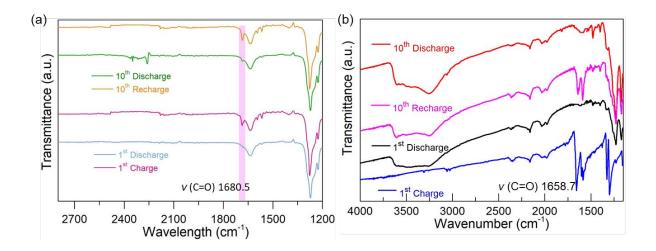


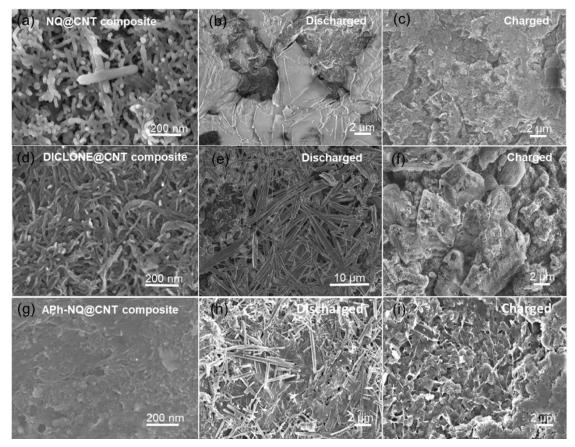
Figure S3. High-resolution X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) spectra of pristine APh-NQ. (a) C 1s, (b) O 1s, and (c) N 1s.



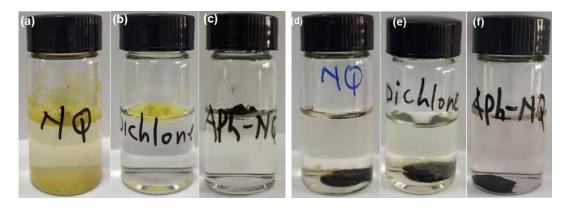
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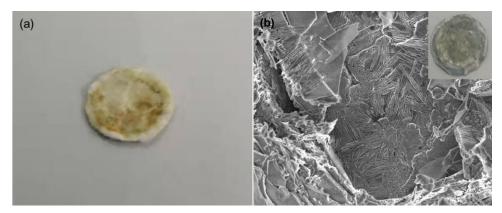
**Figure S5.** FTIR spectra of (a) dichlone and (b) NQ at 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> discharge/recharged state at complete discharge/charge voltage at 0.1 V and 1.7 V, respectively



**Figure S6.** Typical SEM images of NQ@CNT at (a) pristine, (b) discharged, (c) charged states, dichlone@CNT at (d) pristine, (e) discharged, (f) charged states, and APh-NQ@CNT at (g) pristine, (h) discharged, (i) charged states.



**Figure S7.** Digital photos of dissolution test of pristine samples (a) NQ, (b) dichlone, and (c) APh-NQ and cycled-composite electrodes (d) NQ@CNT, (e) dichlone@CNT, and (f) APh-NQ@CNT, which show faintly colored electrolyte after one week storage.



**Figure S8.** Digital photo of glass fiber separator (a) and the SEM image of (b) zinc anode after long cycles, the inset is the photo of the zinc anode.