Confinement of NaAlH₄ in nanoporous carbon: impact on H₂ release, reversibility and thermodynamics

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Supporting information:



Figure S1. Porosity as measured with N₂ physisorption for NaAlH₄/nanoporous carbon composites containing different amounts of NaAlH₄; (top frame) pore size distributions as determined using the BJH model (bottom frame) remaining carbon pore volume as a function of NaAlH₄ loading. The original pore volume of the carbon was 0.66 cm³/g, but after melt infiltration of the carbon and subsequent leaching of the NaAlH₄ the pore volume was reduced to 0.61-0.62 cm³/g, indicating minor damage to the pore structure.



Figure S2. Differential scanning calorimetry for 20 wt% NaAlH₄/C comparing composites with graphite and porous carbon. Heating and cooling rates 5 °C/min under 120 bar H₂ pressure. Indicated is the temperature at which the $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ Na₃AlH₆ phase transition is expected (~250 °C)