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**Electronic Supplementary Information**

**Nitrogen-doped unzipped carbon nanotubes/sulfur composite as  
advanced cathode for lithium-sulfur batteries**

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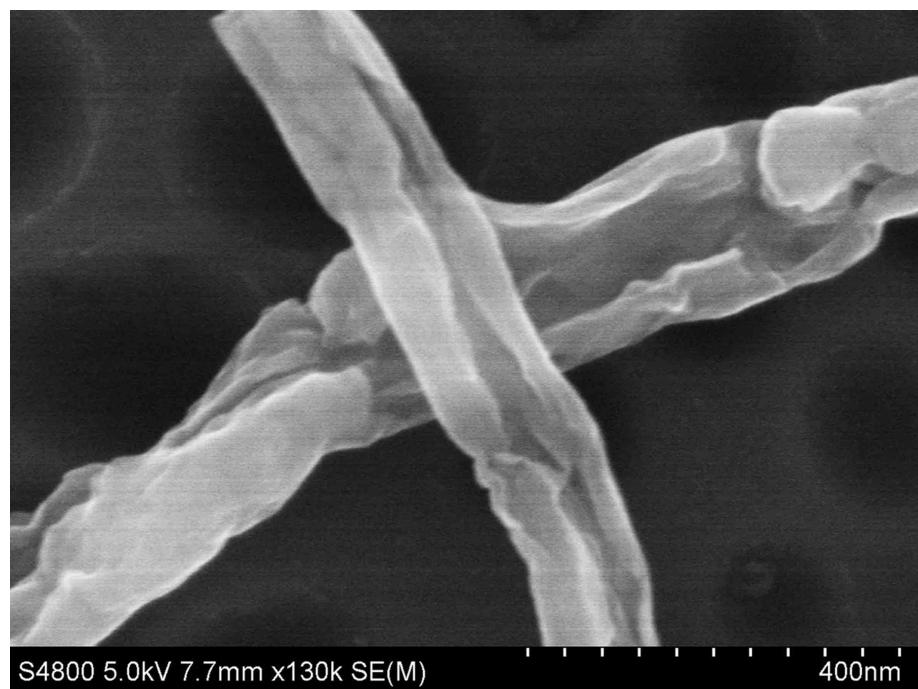
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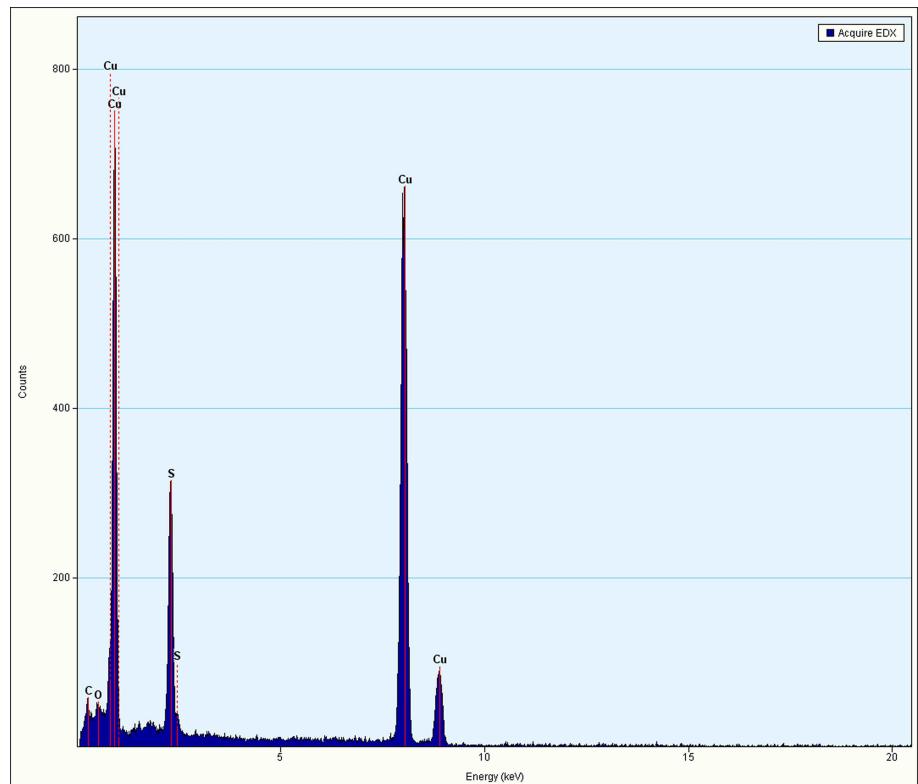
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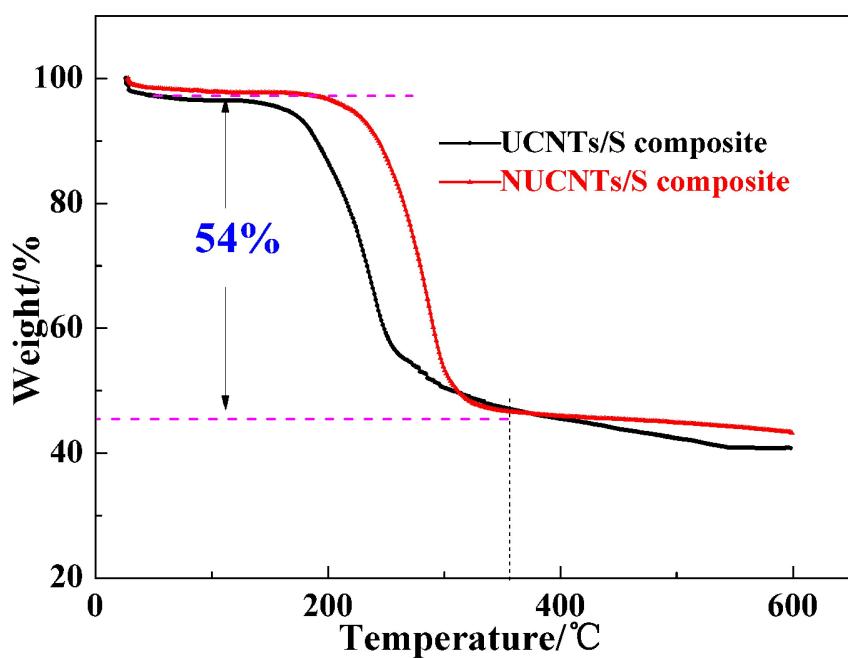
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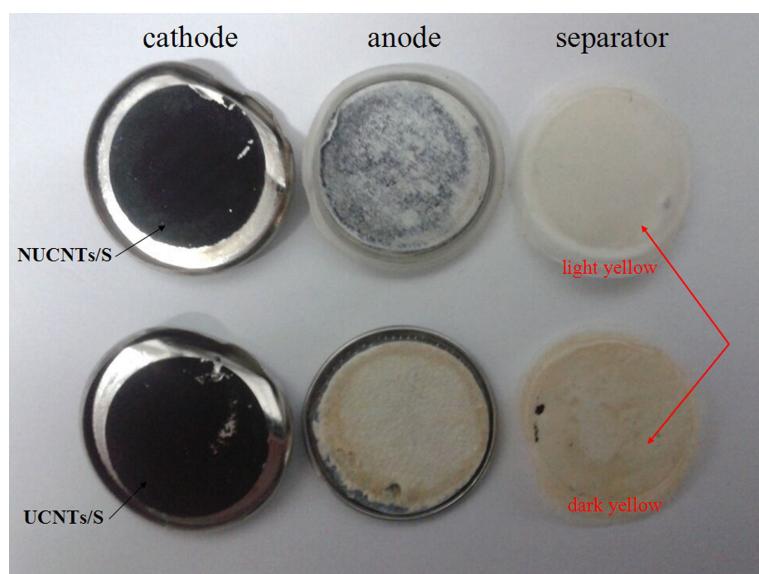
**Fig.S1** SEM image of NUCNTs



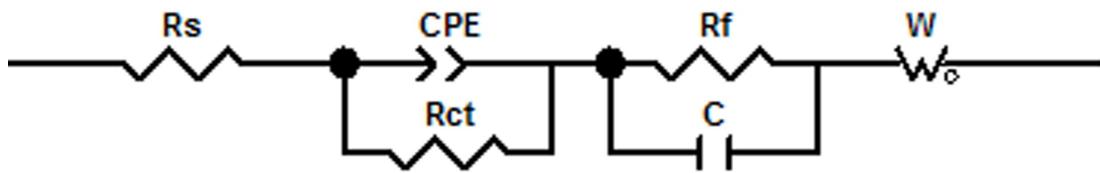
**Fig.S2** EDS image of NUCNTs/S composite



**Fig.S3** TGA curves of UCNTs/S and NUCNTs/S composite in  $N_2$  atmosphere



**Fig.S4** Photograph of the electrolyte color for NUCNTs/S and UCNTs/S cathodes



**Fig.S5** Equivalent circuit used for fitting the impedance data

**Table S1** Impedance values of the equivalent circuit fitted for the impedance spectra

Sample	R <sub>s</sub>	CPE-T	CPE-P	R <sub>ct</sub>	R <sub>f</sub>	C	W-R	W-T	W-P
NUCNTs/S	16.1	1.3E-5	0.8	58.1	34.5	0.0006	409.7	572.2	0.4
UCNTs/S	15.1	1.9E-5	0.7	136.2	29.0	0.001	26.3	0.3	0.1