Layered Ternary Sulfide CuSbS₂ Nanoplates for Flexible Solid-State Supercapacitors

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Supporting Information



Figure S1. (a) XPS survey spectrum of $CuSbS_2$ nanoplates. (b)-(d) High resolution XPS spectra of Cu, Sb and S, respectively.



Figure S2. (a) and (b) Top and side view HRTEM images of a CuSbS₂ nanoplate. (c) and (d) Fast Fourier transform (FFT) of HRTEM images shown in (a) and (b). (e) and (f) TEM images of 55 ± 6.5 nm and 105 ± 5.5 nm nanoplates



Figure S3. Cyclic voltammogram curves of $CuSbS_2$ at various scan rates using KOH as electrolyte.



Figure S4. Plots of the anodic and cathodic wave current versus the square root of the scan rate.



Figure S5. SEM images of (a) 7.2 ± 1.4 nm and (b) 19 ± 1 nm thick CuSbS₂ nanoplates.



Figure S6. Intercalated K ion in van der Waals gap of $CuSbS_2$. The adsorbed ion has taken the place of its nearest Sb ion, which is pushed into the interior of the layer. Cu sites are blue, Sb are orange, and S are yellow.



Figure S7. (a) Cyclic voltammogram curves of CuSbS₂ nanoplates at different bending angles.



Figure S8. (a) Cyclic voltammogram curves of $CuSbS_2$ nanoplate supercapacitor device at different temperatures using LiOH. (b) A graph showing changes in specific capacitance with temperatures. Specific capacitance values are deduced from the CV curves. (c) Galvanostatic discharge characteristics of $CuSbS_2$ nanoplate device at different temperatures. (d) A graph showing change in specific capacitance with temperature. C_{sp} was calculated from the galvonostatic charge-discharge measurements.