

# Supercapacitors based on Patronite-Reduced Graphene Oxide Hybrids: Experimental and Theoretical Insights

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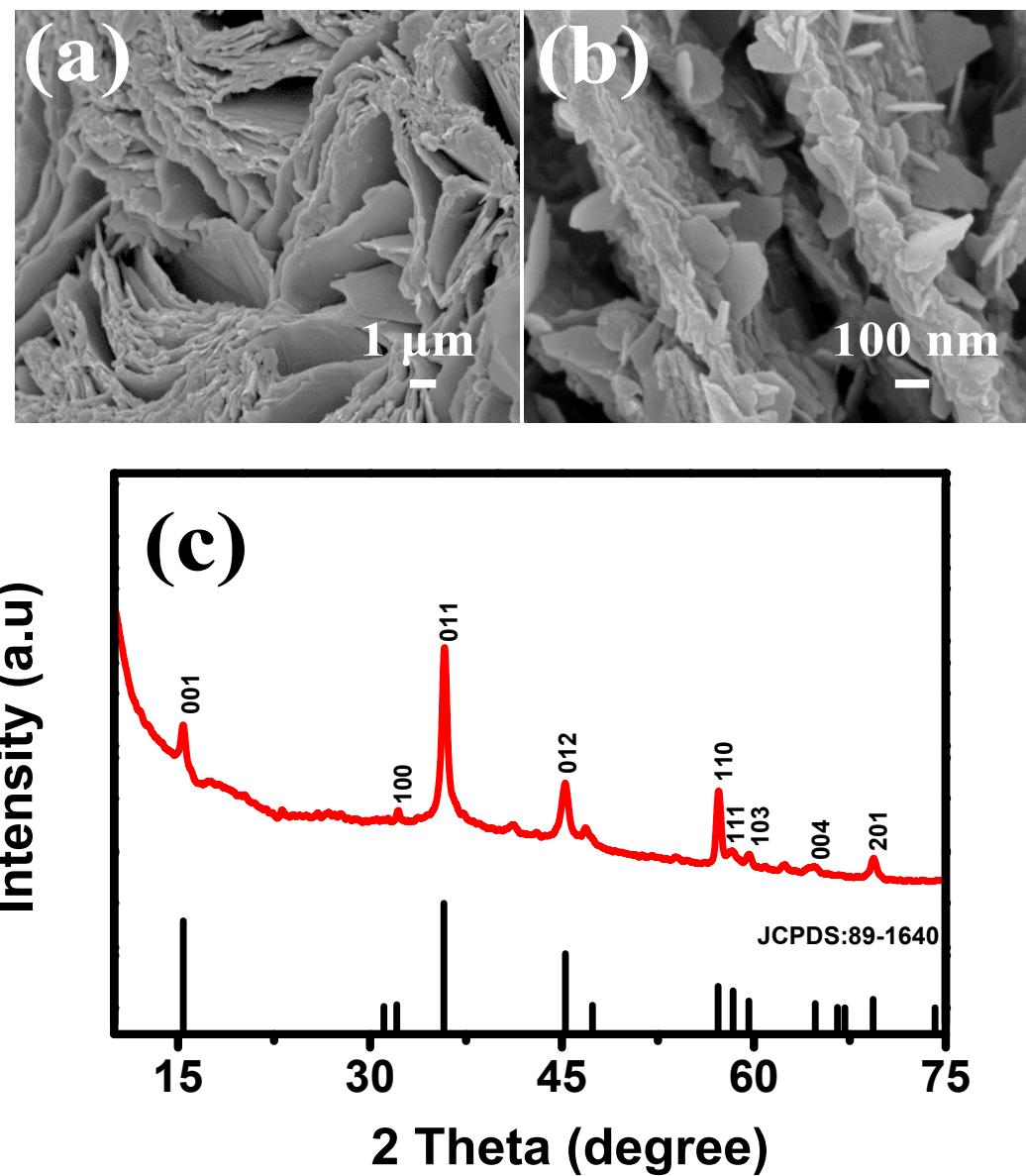
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# Supporting Information

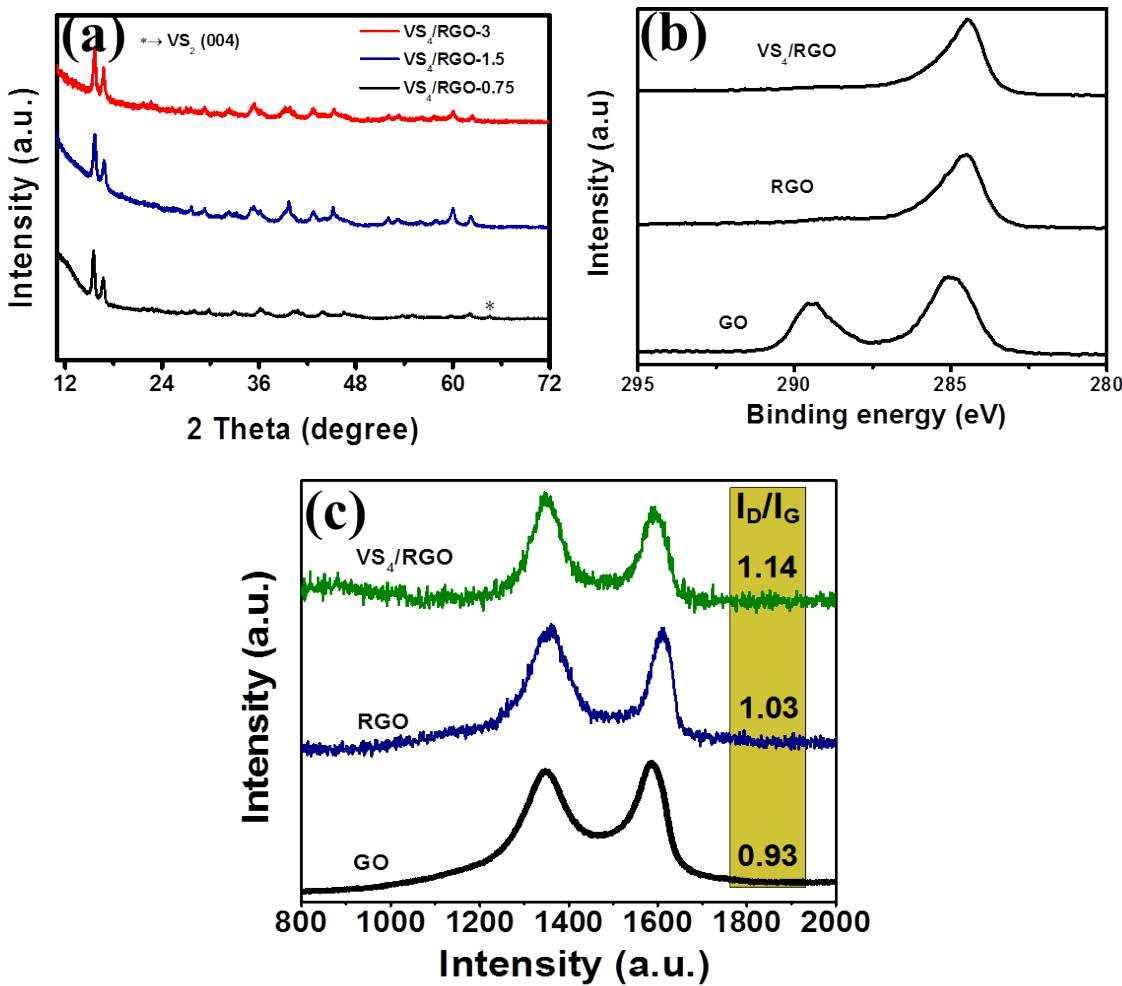
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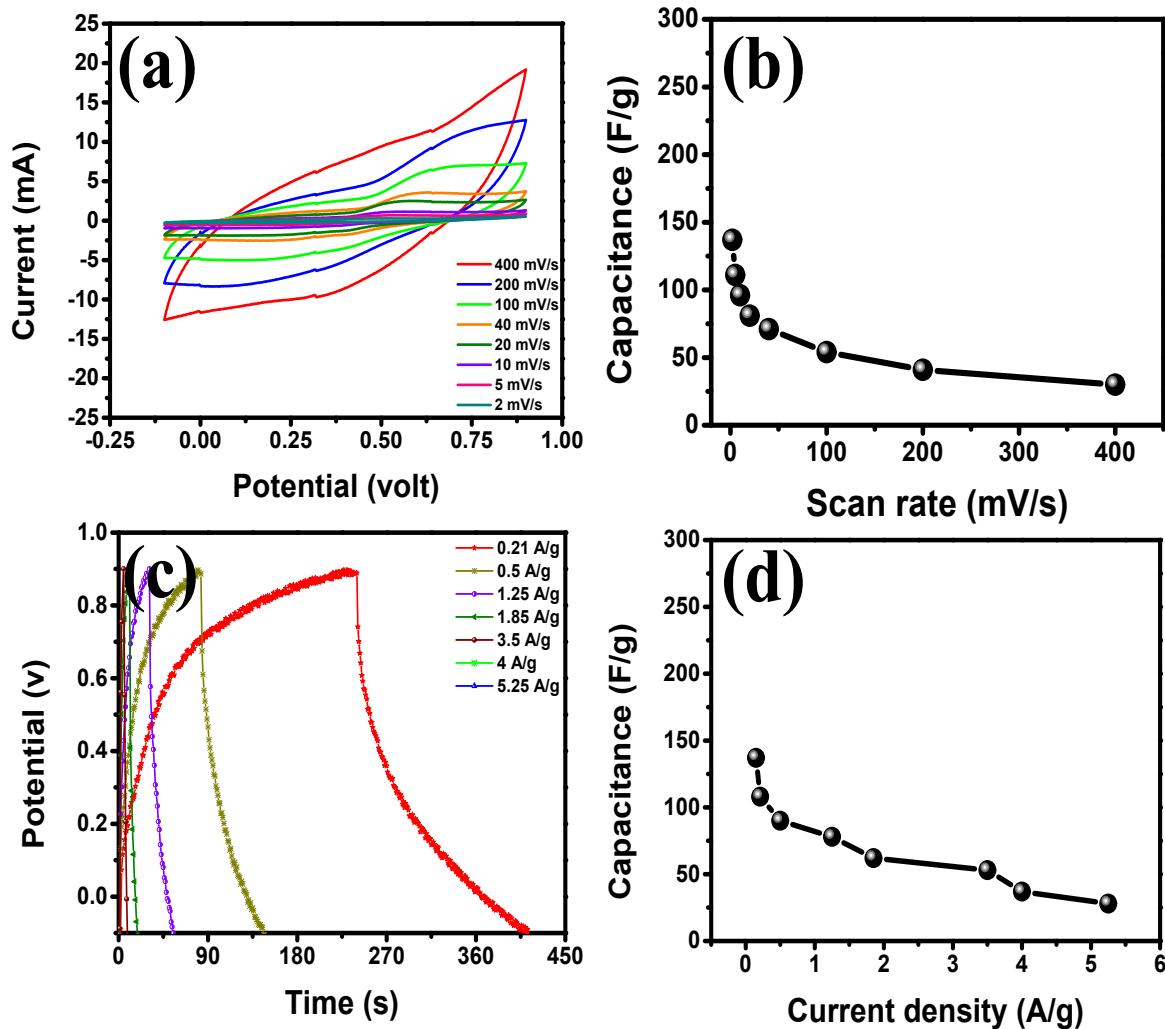
Here VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO with 0.75 wt%, 1.5 wt% and 3 wt% of RGO content are respectively denoted with VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_0.75, VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_1.5 and VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_3.



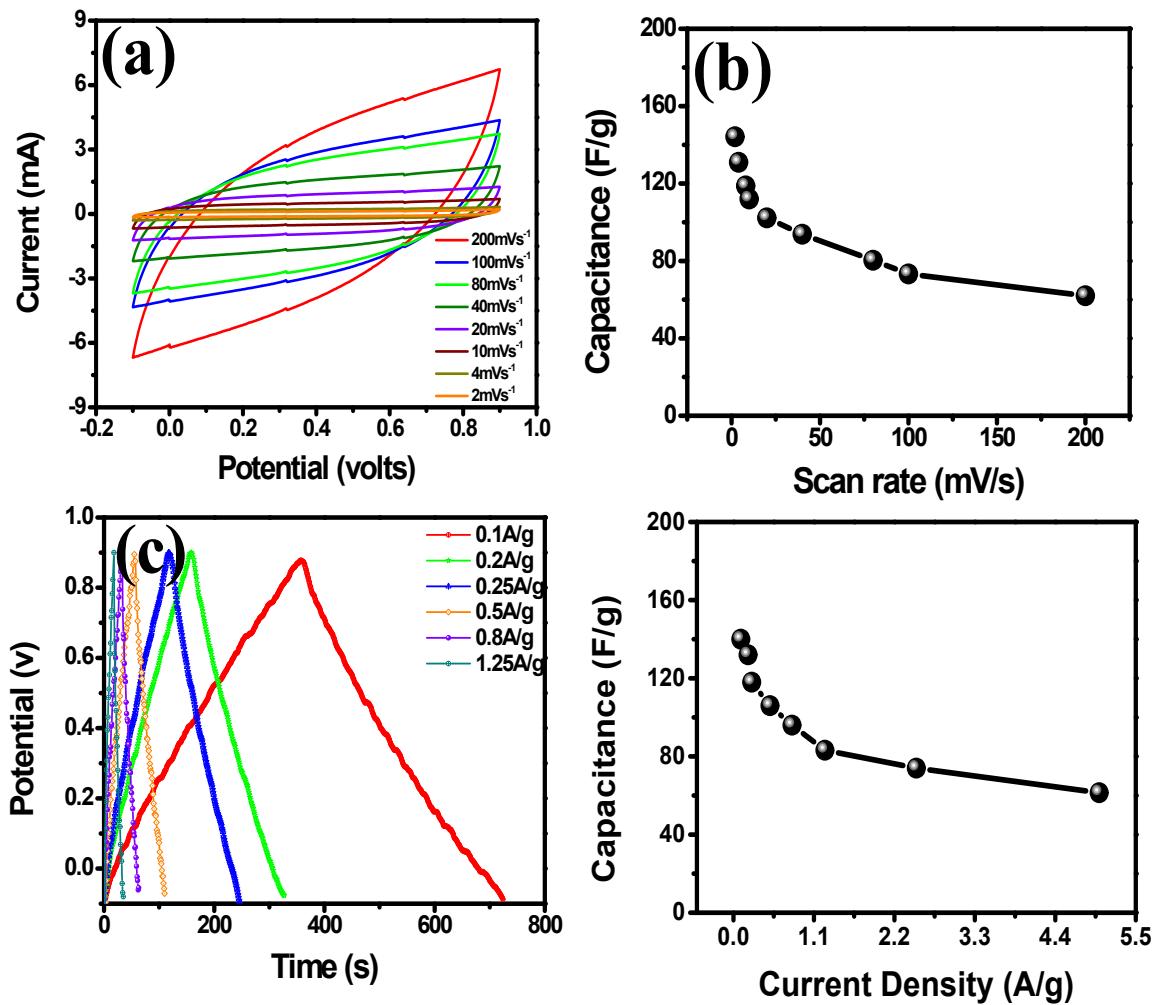
**Fig. S1** Low (a) and high (b) magnified images of VS<sub>2</sub> microflakes showing numerous protruding edges. (c) XRD pattern for VS<sub>2</sub>.



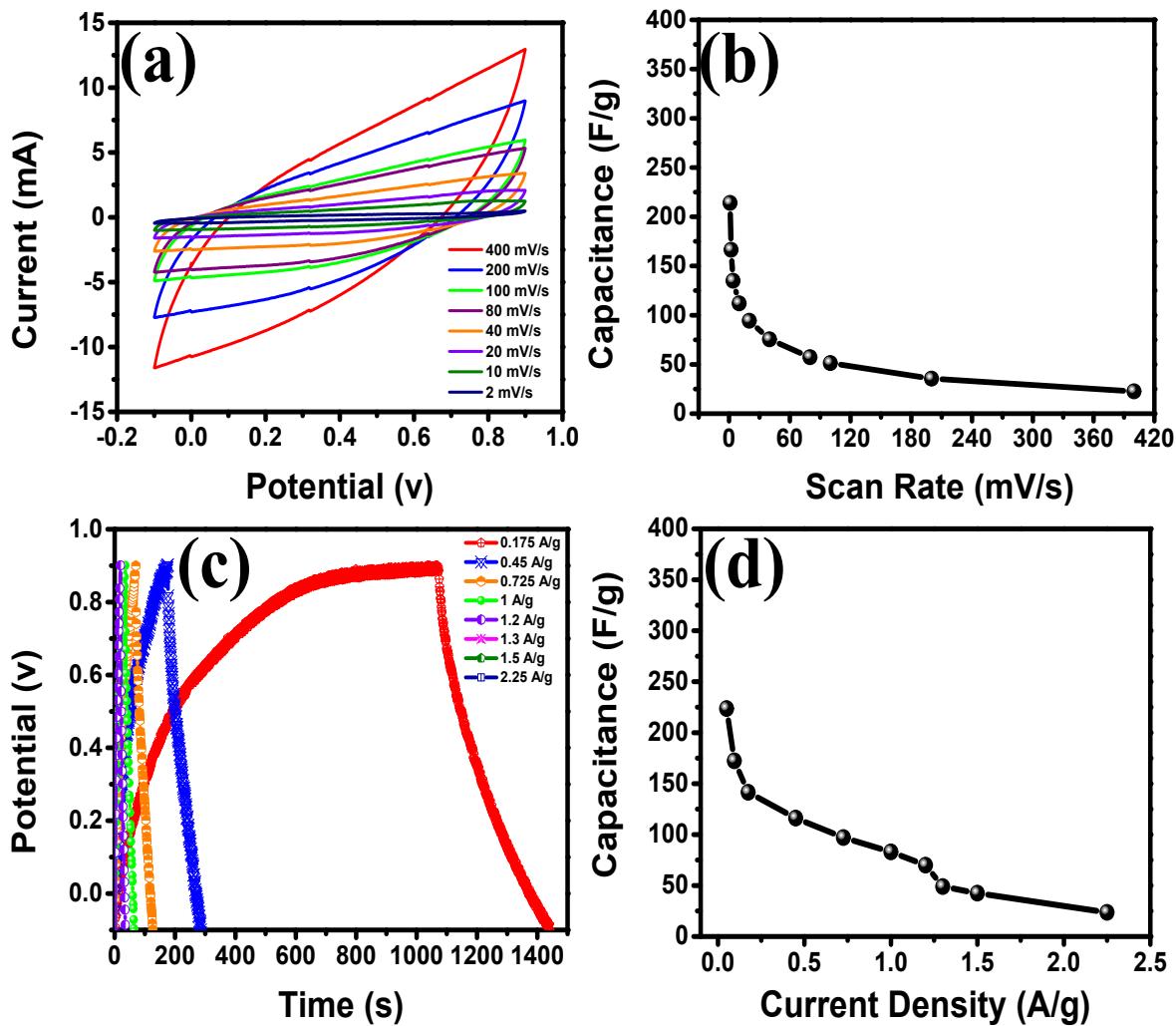
**Fig. S2** (a) XRD patterns for VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO hybrids containing 0.75wt% (black), 1.5wt% (blue) and 3wt% (red) of RGO. The asterisk mark denotes an additional peak corresponding to the (004) phase growth of VS<sub>2</sub>. (b) X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy showing C1s spectra for GO, RGO and VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO. (c) Raman spectra for GO, bare RGO and RGO content in the hybrid with  $I_D/I_G$  ratio confirming the reduction of GO to form RGO. The reduction of GO to RGO was better in case of the hybrid than that of bare RGO.



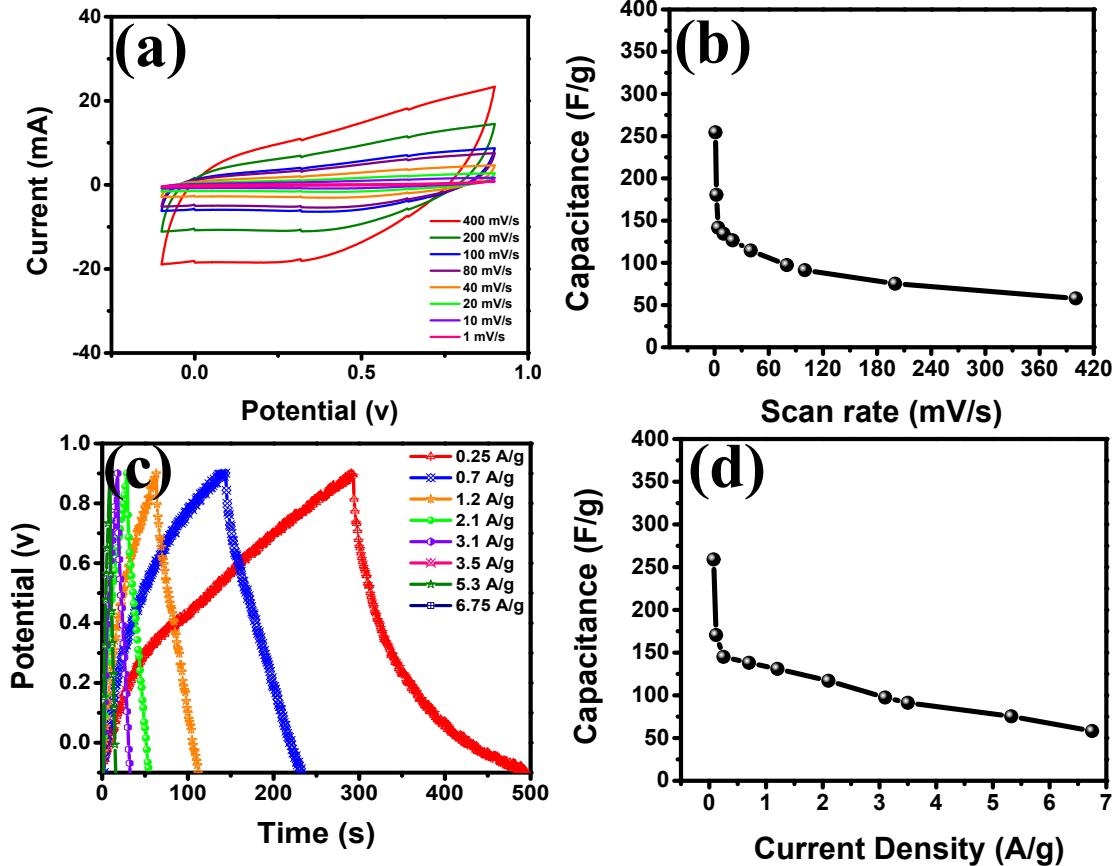
**Fig. S3** (a) Cyclic voltammetry curves for  $\text{VS}_2$ , (b) graph, showing variation of specific capacitance with scan rate. (c) charge-discharge curves for different current densities. Symmetric curves depicting reversible redox (Faradic) reaction. (d) plot between specific capacitance and current density for  $\text{VS}_2$ .



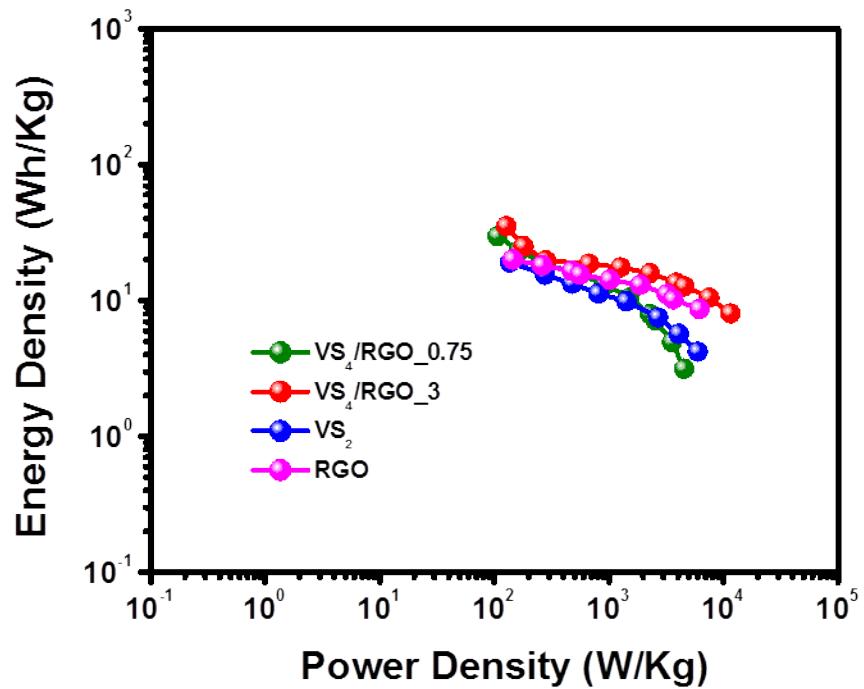
**Fig. S4** Supercapacitor data for RGO. (a) cyclic voltammetry curves, (b) graph showing variation of specific capacitance with scan rate, (c) charge-discharge curves at different current densities, (d) plot between specific capacitance and current density.



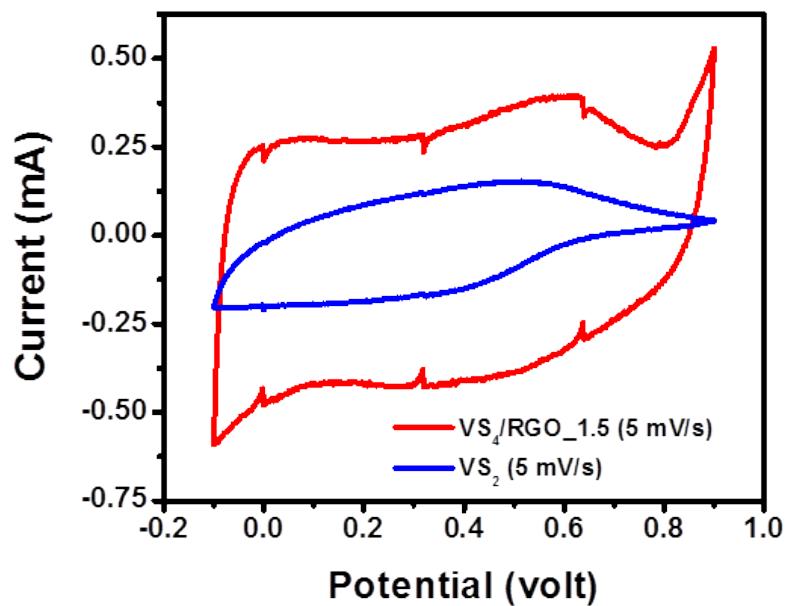
**Fig. S5** Detailed supercapacitor study for VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_0.75. (a) cyclic voltammetry curves, (b) plot between specific capacitance and scan rate, (c) charge-discharge curves at different current densities, (d) plot between specific capacitance and current density.



**Fig. S6** Supercapacitor data for VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_3. (a) cyclic voltammetry curves, (b) plot of specific capacitance against scan rate, (c) charge-discharge curves at different current densities, (d) specific capacitance vs current density plot.



**Fig. S7** Ragone plots for VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_0.75, VS<sub>4</sub>/RGO\_3, VS<sub>2</sub> and RGO.



**Fig. S8** (a) Three electrode data (cyclic voltammetry curves) of  $\text{VS}_4/\text{RGO}_{-1.5}$  (red) and  $\text{VS}_2$  (blue).