

**Electronic Supplementary Information**  
**High-Performance Nickel Cobalt Sulfides Materials *via***  
**Low-Cost Preparation for Advanced Asymmetric**  
**Supercapacitors**

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Table S1 Comparisons of electrochemical performance of the Ni-Co-S samples in our work and those in other papers on the nickel cobalt sulfides prepared using different preparation methods

Electrode materials	Preparation method	Specific capacitance	Rate capability	Cycling stability
Tube-like $\text{NiCo}_2\text{S}_4$ <sup>1</sup>	Hydrothermal	$1048 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $3 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	50.1% (1- $20 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	75.9% (5000 cycle at $10 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
$\text{NiCo}_2\text{S}_4$ nanotube arrays <sup>2</sup>	Hydrothermal	$14.39 \text{ F cm}^{-2}$ at $5 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$	67.7% (5-150 $\text{mA g}^{-2}$ )	92.0% (5000 cycle at $50 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ )
$\text{NiCo}_2\text{S}_4$ nanotube arrays <sup>3</sup>	Hydrothermal	$738 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $4 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	78% (4- $32 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	93.4% (4250 cycle at $8 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
$\text{Ni}_x\text{Co}_{1-x}\text{S}_2$ particles <sup>4</sup>	Hydrothermal	$1166 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	47.9% (1- $20 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	76.5% (1000 cycle at $5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
$\text{CoNi}_2\text{S}_4$ nanoparticles <sup>5</sup>	Solvothermal	$1169 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	60.1% (1- $5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	49.03% (2000 cycle at $4 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
Hierarchically $\text{Ni}_{0.48}\text{Co}_{0.52}\text{S}_{1.097}$ <sup>6</sup>	Solvothermal	$1152 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $0.5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	69% (0.5- $20 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	Not Reported
$\text{NiCo}_2\text{S}_4$ hollow nanoprisms <sup>7</sup>	Sacrificial template	$895.2 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	65.4% (1- $20 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	85.7% (1500 cycle at $5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
$\text{NiCo}_2\text{S}_4$ nanotubes <sup>8</sup>	Sacrificial template	$1093 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $0.2 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	50.3% (0.2- $5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	63% (1000 cycle at $1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
$\text{NiCo}_2\text{S}_4$ hollow hexagonal nanoplates <sup>9</sup>	Sacrificial template	$437 \text{ F g}^{-1}$ at $1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	53.2% (1- $20 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )	81% (1000 cycle at $2 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ )
<b>Our work</b>	<b>Coprecipitation</b>	<b><math>1259 \text{ F g}^{-1}</math> at <math>1 \text{ A g}^{-1}</math></b>	<b>75.07% (1-<math>50 \text{ A g}^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>90.0% (2000 cycle at <math>10 \text{ A g}^{-1}</math>)</b>

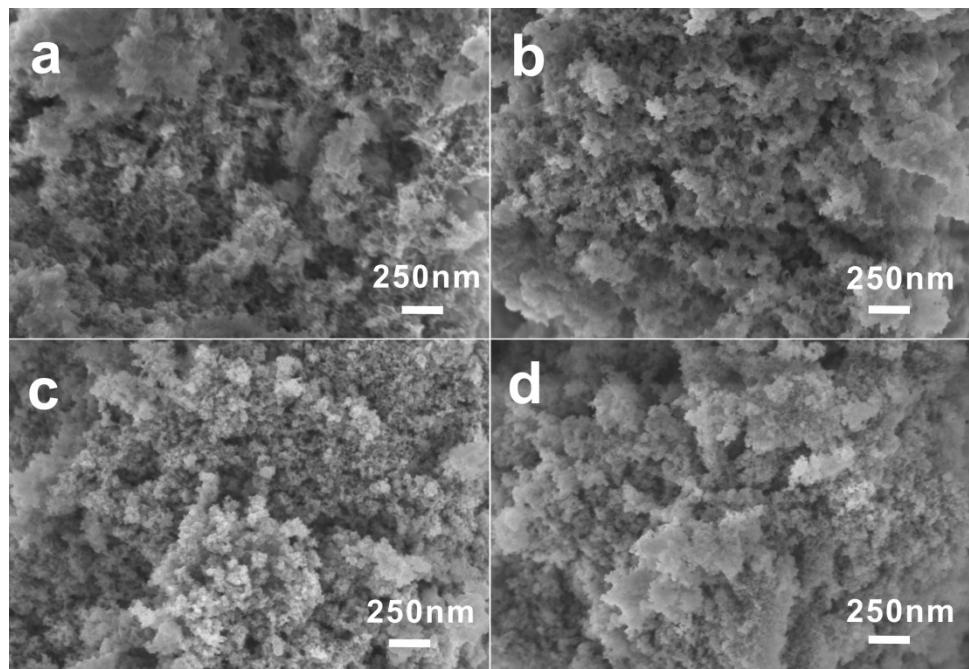


Fig.SI SEM images of the as-prepared NCS samples. (a) NCS-1 ;(b) NCS-2 ;(c) NCS-3;(d) NCS-5.

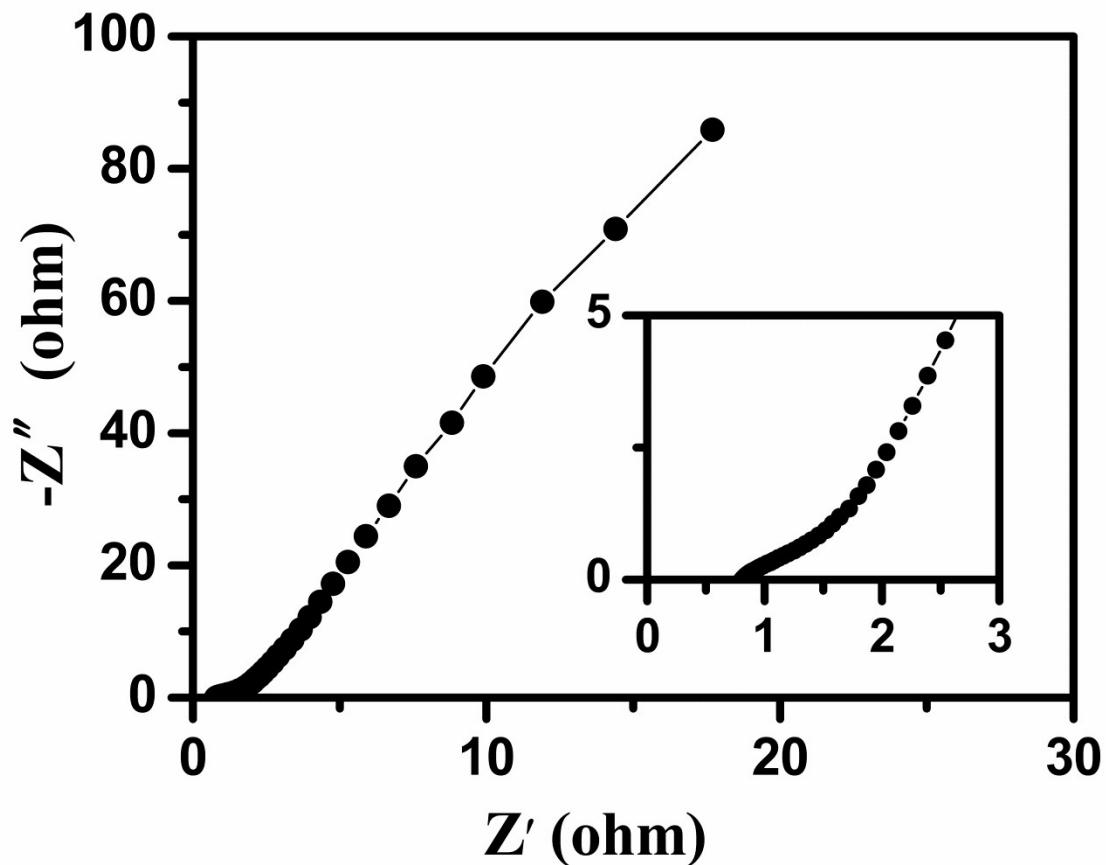


Fig.S2 Nyquist plots of the NCS-4 sample measured at amplitude of 5 mV in the frequency region of 100 kHz to 0.01 Hz in the three-electrode cell.

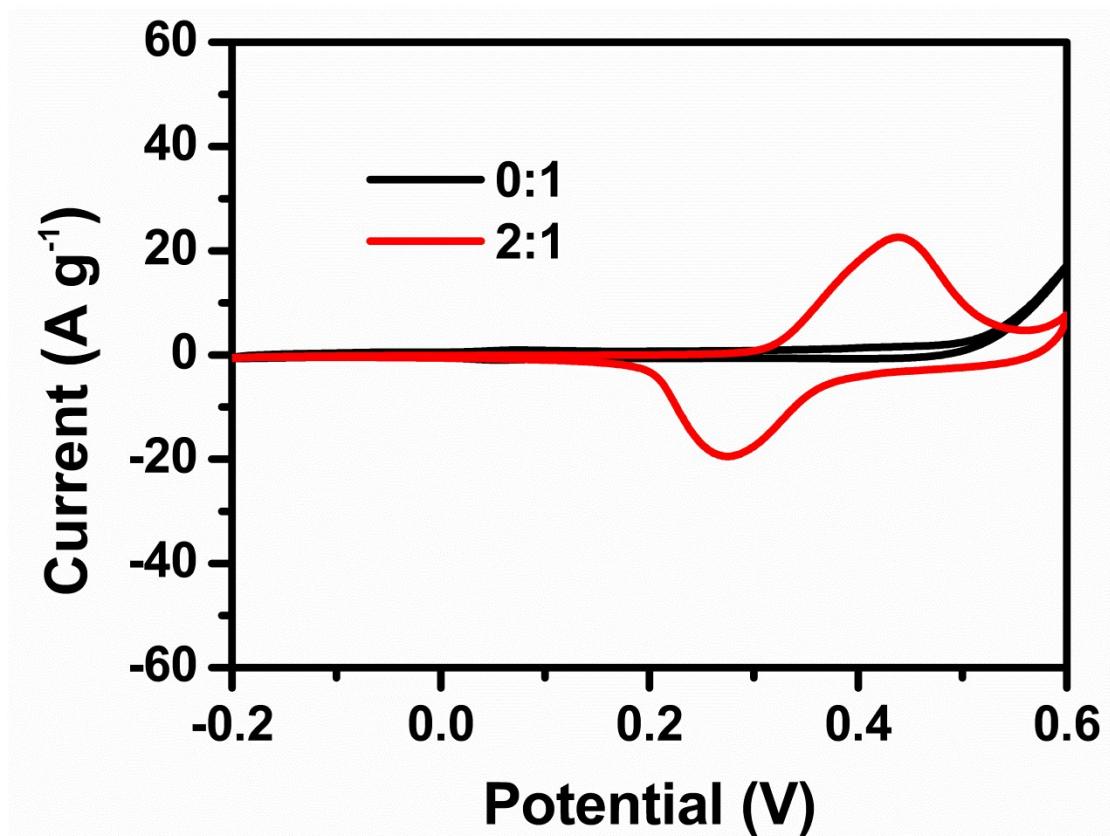
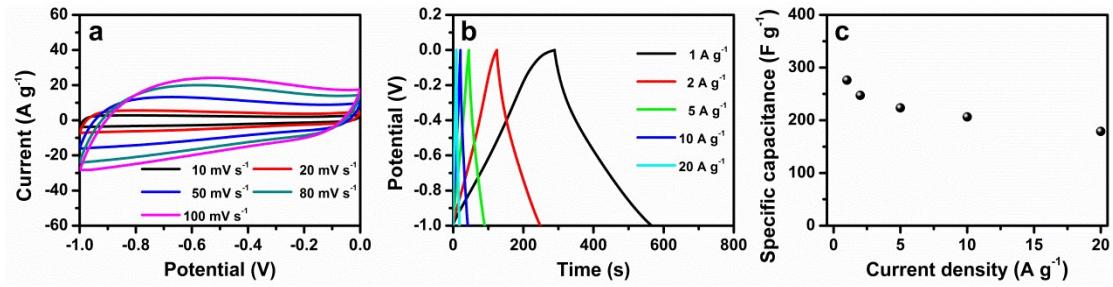
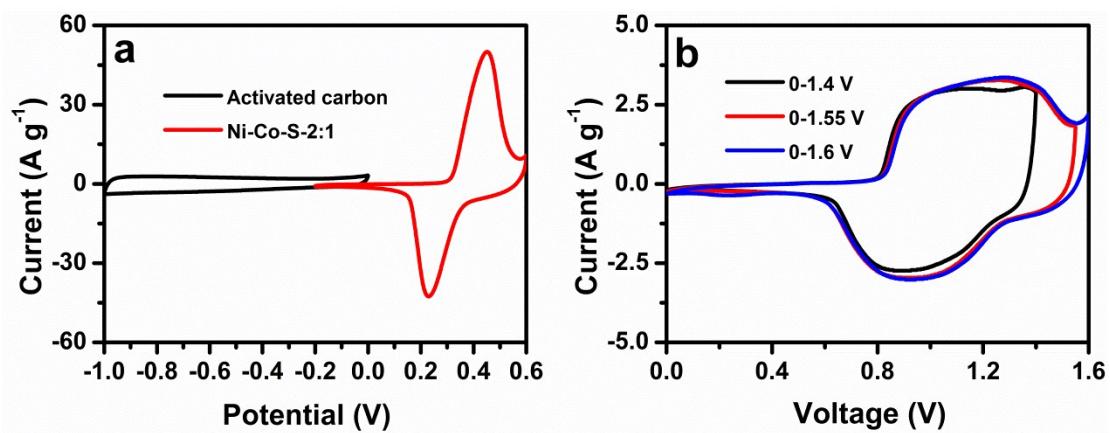


Fig.S3 The CV curves of the pure Co-S phase and the NCS-4 sample at  $5 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$  in three-electrode cell.



*Fig.S4 Electrochemical evaluation of the activated carbon. (a) the CV curves under different scan rates; (b) the GCD curves under different current densities; (c) the specific capacitance versus different current densities.*



*Fig.S5 The voltage window evaluation of the asymmetric supercapacitor. (a) The CV curves of the activated carbon and NCS-4 at  $10 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$  respectively measured in three-electrode cell; (b) the CV curves of the NCS-4//AC asymmetric supercapacitors under different voltages.*

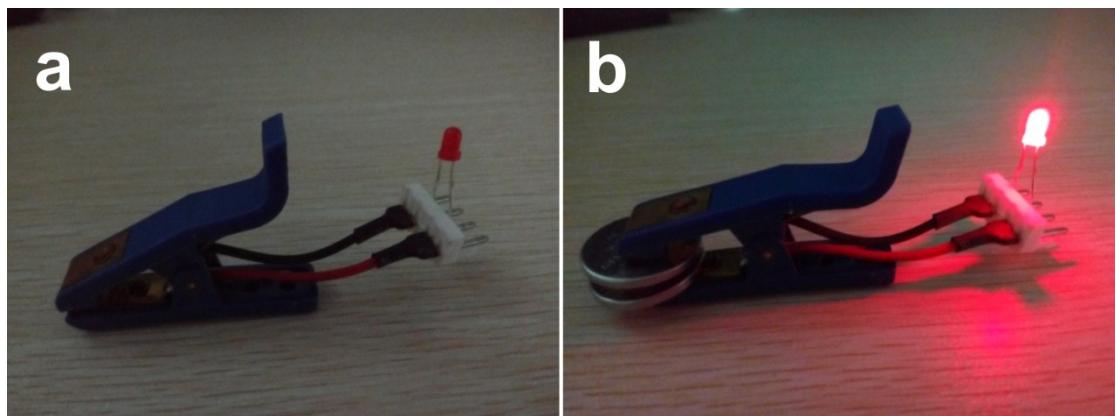


Fig.S6 A photographs of the NCS-4//AC asymmetric supercapacitors powered a red LED. (a) Disconnection; (b) Connection.

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