

## Supporting Information (SI)

### Superior Charge Storage Performance of WS<sub>2</sub> Quantum dots in a Flexible Solid State Supercapacitor

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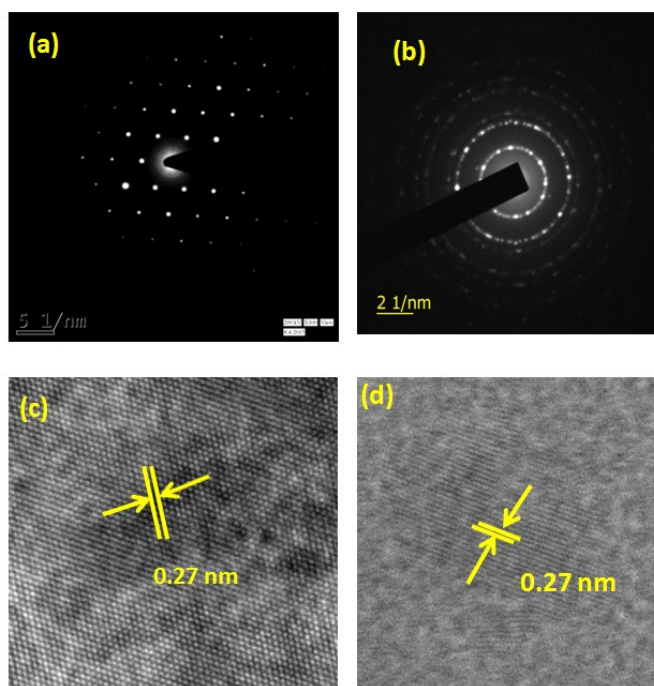
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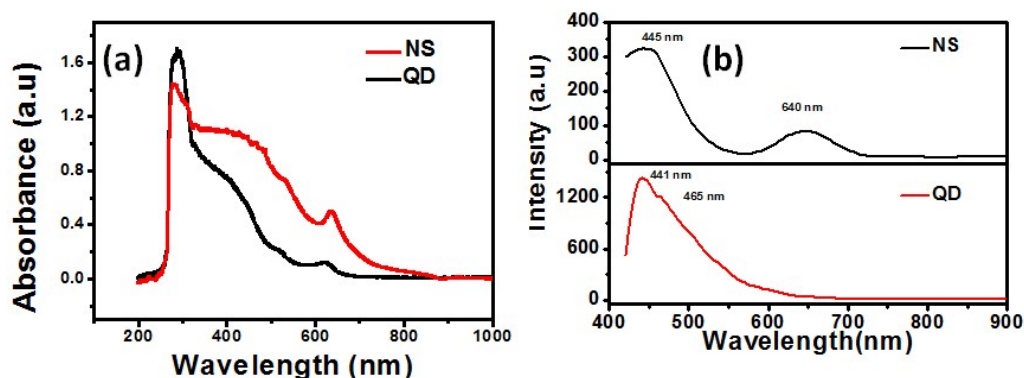
#### Equation- 1: Bohr's Equation:

$$R_B = \frac{\hbar^2 E}{e^2} \left( \frac{1}{m_e^*} + \frac{1}{m_h^*} \right)$$

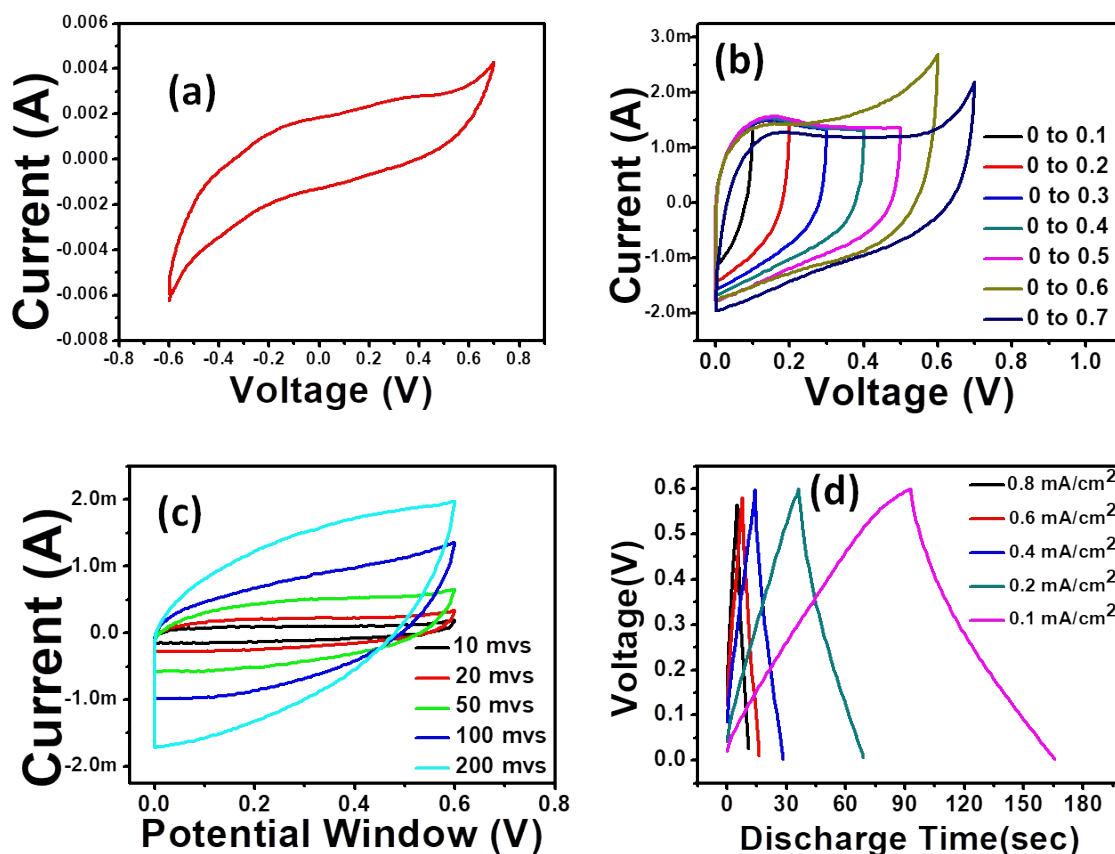
Where  $\hbar$  is the reduced Planck's constant,  $m_e^*$  and  $m_h^*$  are the effective masses of electrons and holes, respectively,  $e$  is the electronic charge, and  $\varepsilon$  is the relative permittivity of WS<sub>2</sub>. The carrier effective masses are taken as  $m_e^* = 0.39m_o$  and  $m_h^* = 0.40m_o$  from the literature, where  $m_o$  is the electronic rest mass<sup>1</sup>. The dielectric permittivity of WS<sub>2</sub> has been reported to be strongly dependent on the number of layers<sup>2</sup>.



**Figure S1:** (a) Typical selected area electron diffraction pattern of WS<sub>2</sub> (a)NS and (b)QD (b); high resolution TEM image of WS<sub>2</sub> (c)NS and (d)QD.

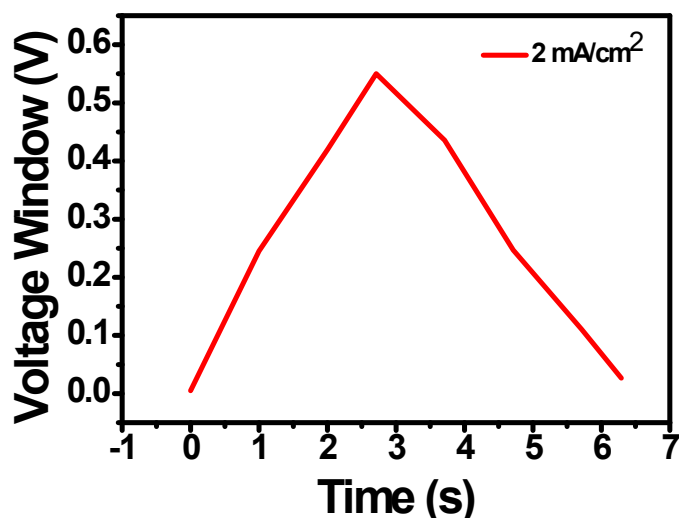


**Figure S2:** Comparison of (a) UV-Vis spectra and (b) photoluminescence spectra of NS and QD.



**Figure S3:** CV curve of the QD-based device in three electrode system using H<sub>3</sub>OP<sub>4</sub>-PVA at a scan rate of 10 mV/s; (b) cyclic voltammogram of the solid state QD-based device at

different voltage window; (c) cyclic voltammogram and (d) charge discharge of the NS based solid state device under the same condition in which QD-base device is measured.



**Figure S4:** Charge-discharge of WS<sub>2</sub> QD-based device at a current density of 2mA/cm<sup>2</sup>.

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