

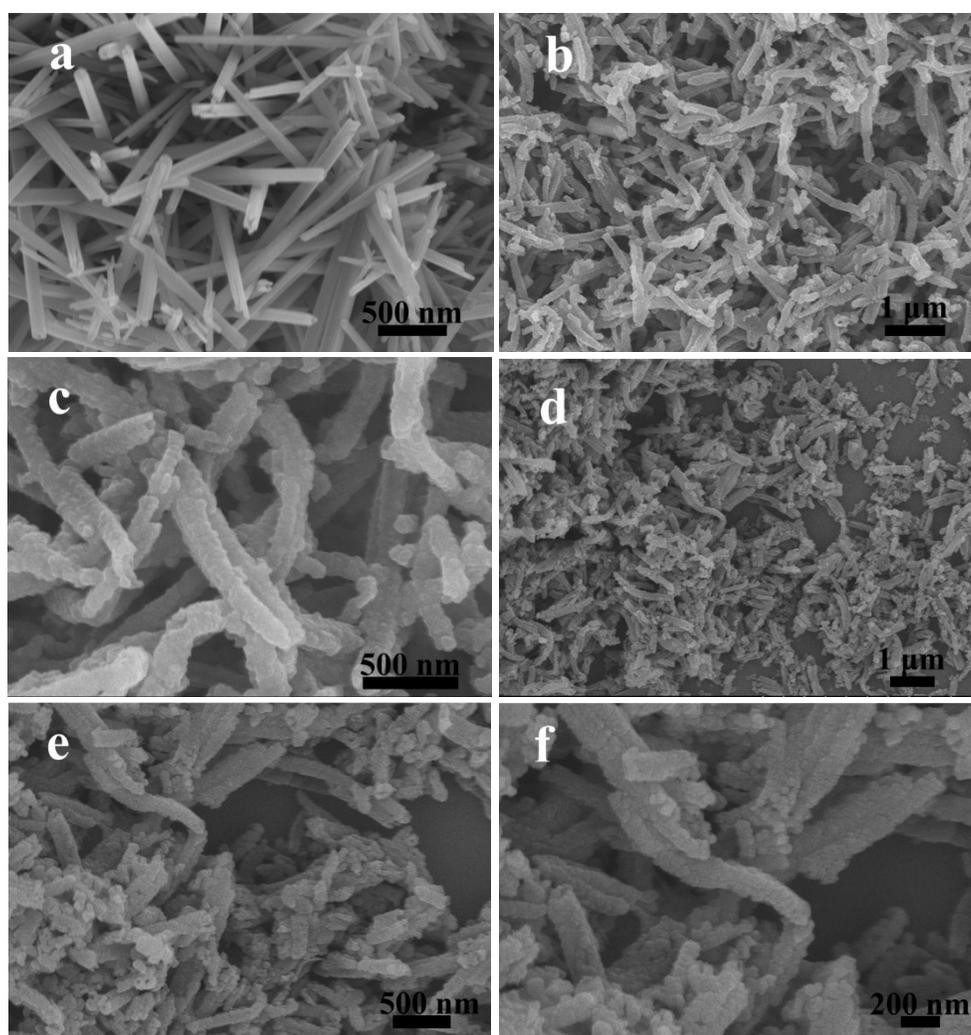
*Supporting Information*

**Sulfur Impregnation in Polypyrrole-Modified MnO<sub>2</sub> Nanotubes: Efficient Polysulfide Adsorption for Improved Lithium-Sulfur Battery Performance**

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**Fig. S1.** Representative SEM images of (a) MnO<sub>2</sub> nanotubes, (b,c) MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy nanotubes, and (d-f) MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy-S.

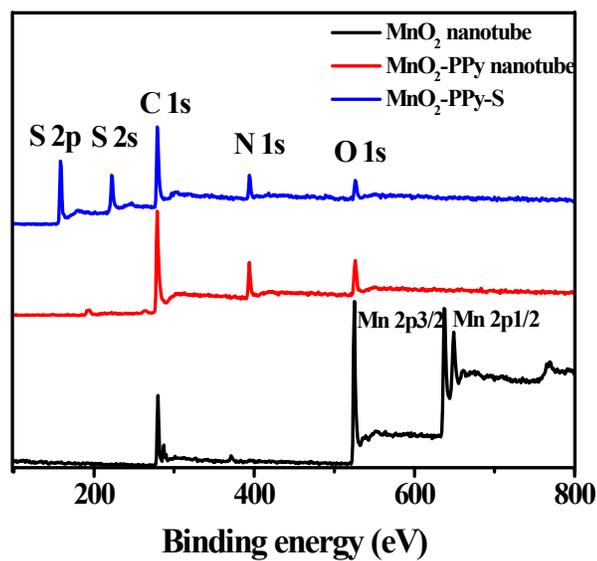


Fig. S2. XPS spectra of MnO<sub>2</sub>, MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy, MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy-S.

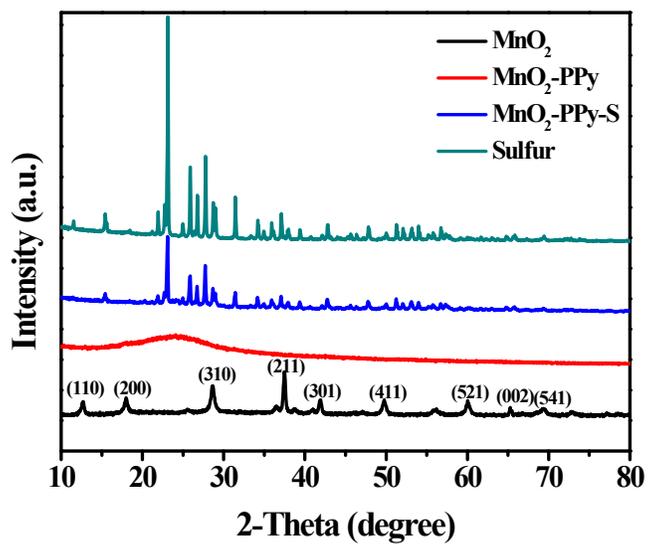
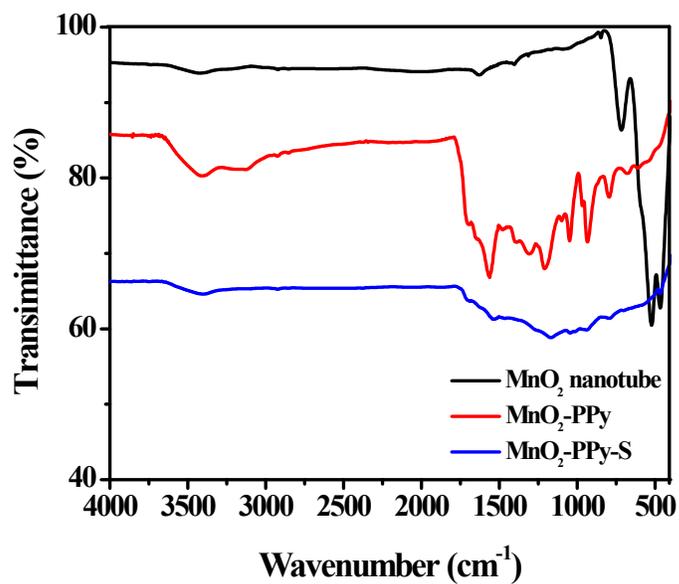
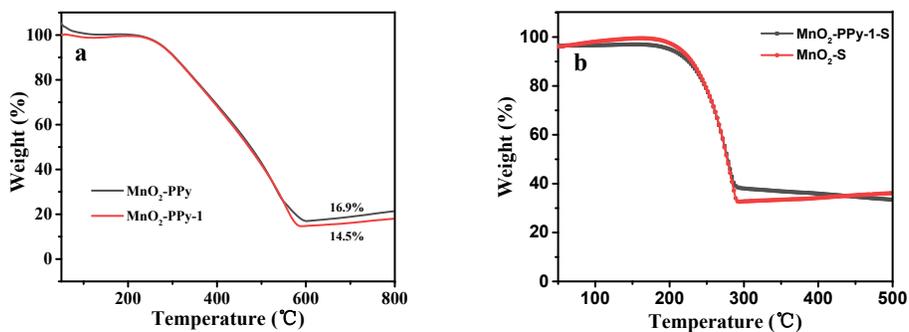


Fig. S3. XRD patterns of MnO<sub>2</sub>, MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy, MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy-S and sulfur.



**Fig. S4.** FT-IR spectra of MnO<sub>2</sub>, MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy and MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy-S.



**Fig. S5.** TGA curve of MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy (a) and MnO<sub>2</sub>-PPy-S and MnO<sub>2</sub>-S (b).