## **Supporting Information**

## Hierarchical core–shell structured Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>/NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires: A highperformance and reusable electrochemical sensor for glucose detection

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**Figure S1.** Amperometric *i-t* curve response obtained for the hierarchical core-shell Ni-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>/NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires electrode in 0.5 M NaOH with the successive steps addition of 10  $\mu$ M (A), 5  $\mu$ M (A) 1  $\mu$ M (A) glucose under constant stirring condition, and the corresponding calibration plots (B, D, and F) obtained by plotting amperometric current response vs. concentrations of the glucose (B). The applied potential is 0.50 V



**Figure S2.** Stable amperometric *i-t* curve response obtained for the freshly prepared (A), and 10 days old (C) hierarchical core-shell Ni-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>/NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires electrode in 0.5 M NaOH with an addition of 20  $\mu$ M glucose (A) under constant stirring condition, and the amperometric *i-t* curve responses obtained for three freshly prepared (B), and 10 days old (D) hierarchical coreshell Ni-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>/NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires electrode in 0.5 M NaOH with the successive addition of 20  $\mu$ M glucose under constant stirring condition. The applied potential is 0.50 V

| Nanomaterials  | Linear Range   | Sensitivity                                 | LOD & References      |
|--|----------------|---|-----------------------|
| 3D Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> Nanosheet Arrays           | 0.005-3.0 mM   | 6148.0 µA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> | $1.2 \ \mu M^{-1}$    |
| Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> /MWCNT-NC                     | 30-500 μM      | 3345 µA mM <sup>-1</sup>                    | $1.0 \ \mu M^2$       |
| Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> /IL-Graphene/GCE              | 0-500 μM       | 25.343 μA μM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-1</sup> | 0.161 µM <sup>3</sup> |
| $\alpha$ -NiMoO <sub>4</sub> Nanoparticles                   | 0.005-0.105 mM | $0.208 \ \mu A \ \mu M^{-1} \ cm^{-2}$      | $0.935~\mu M$ $^4$    |
| □-NiMoO <sub>4</sub> Nanoparticles                           | 0.005-0.105 mM | $1.054 \ \mu A \ \mu M^{-1} \ cm^{-2}$      | $0.914~\mu M$ $^4$    |
| NiMoO <sub>4</sub> Nanorods                                  | 0.05-14 mM     | 0.3899 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> | $0.36 \ \mu M^{5}$    |
| NiMoO <sub>4</sub> Nanofibers                                | 0.01-8 mM      | 0.1938 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> | 4.6 μM <sup>6</sup>   |
| NiMoO <sub>4</sub> NSA                                       | 0.001-0.9 mM   | 4.13 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>   | $1.0 \ \mu M^{7}$     |
| Ni(OH) <sub>2</sub> /3D Graphene                             | 0.001-1.17 mM  | 2.65 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>   | 0.34 µM <sup>8</sup>  |
| NiO Superstructures  | 0.018-1.2 mM   | 0.395 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>  | 6.15 μM <sup>9</sup>  |
| Hierarchical Ni(OH) <sub>2</sub><br>Hollow Nanorods          | 0.002-3.86 mM  | 2.904 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>  | $0.6~\mu M$ $^{10}$   |
| NiCo2O4 Nanoarrays   | 0.001-0.63 mM  | 4.12 mA mM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>   | $0.5 \ \mu M^{11}$    |
| 3-D NiMoO <sub>4</sub> Cactus-like<br>Nanoparticles          | 1-4000 µM      | $1.32 \ \mu A \ \mu M^{-1} \ cm^{-2}$       | 0.163 µM *            |
| 3-D Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> Nanowires                 | 1-4000 µM      | $5.72 \ \mu A \ \mu M^{-1} \ cm^{-2}$       | 0.104 µM *            |
| 3-D Ni $_3S_2$ / NiMoO <sub>4</sub> Core-<br>Shell Nanowires | 1-4000 µM      | 10.49 μA μM <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>  | 0.055 µM *            |
|  |                |   | * This work           |

Table S1. Comparison of the LOD of as-fabricated glucose sensor versus other Ni,  $Ni_3S_2$  and  $NiMoO_4$  based nanostructured materials.

Table S2. Comparison table displaying the glucose concentration values obtained using commercially available glucometer and 3-D hierarchical core-shell Ni-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>/NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires electrode in human blood serum samples.

| Sample<br>Numbers | Concentration of glucose<br>determined using<br>commercially available<br>glucometer (mM) <sup>1</sup> | Concentration of<br>glucose determined by<br>proposed method<br>(mM±SD) <sup>2</sup> | Relative standard deviation (% RSD) <sup>3</sup> |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| 1                 | 1  | 0.97±0.09  | 3.00   |
| 2                 | 2  | 1.93±0.11  | 3.50   |
| 3                 | 3  | 2.89±0.12  | 3.67   |
| 4                 | 4  | 3.86±0.11  | 3.50   |
| 5                 | 5  | 4.82±0.12  | 3.60   |
| 6                 | 6  | 5.78±0.13  | 3.66   |
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<sup>1</sup> The detection of glucose by commercial available glucometer in blood serum samples. <sup>2</sup> The detection of glucose using 3-D hierarchical core-shell Ni-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>/NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires electrode in blood serum samples.

<sup>3</sup> The relative standard deviation (RSD) was calculated from at least three observed values for every sample in order to establish the repeatability.

**Table S3.** Comparison table showing the low-level glucose concentration values obtained using3-D hierarchical core-shell Ni-Ni $_3S_2$ /NiMoO<sub>4</sub> nanowires electrode in human blood serumsamples.

| Sample<br>Numbers | Concentration of glucose injected (µM) | Concentration of glucose<br>measured (µM±SD) | <b>Relative standard</b><br>deviation (% <b>RSD</b> ) <sup>1</sup> |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| 1                 | 20±0.20                                | 19.5±0.21                                    | 2.50   |
| 2                 | 40±0.28                                | 38.9±0.32                                    | 2.75   |
| 3                 | 60±0.33                                | 58.2±0.35                                    | 3.16   |
| 4                 | 80±0.39                                | 77.4±0.41                                    | 3.25   |
| 5                 | 100±0.42                               | 96.5±0.43                                    | 3.50   |
| 6                 | 120±0.47                               | 115.1±0.49                                   | 4.08   |
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<sup>1</sup> The relative standard deviation (RSD) was calculated from at least three observed values for every sample in order to establish the repeatability.

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