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## **Supporting Information**

## Heterostructures of doped graphene and $MoX_2$ (X = S and Se) as promising

## anchoring materials for lithium-sulfur batteries: a first-principles study

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	$E_{\rm b}$	$E_{b}$	$E_{b}$	$\Delta Q$	$\Delta Q$	$\Delta Q$	$\Delta d$	$\Delta d$	$\Delta d$
	$(Li_2S_4)$	$(Li_2S_6)$	$(Li_2S_8)$	$(Li_2S_4)$	$(Li_2S_6)$	$(Li_2S_8)$	$(Li_2S_4)$	$(Li_2S_6)$	$(Li_2S_8)$
NG-MoS <sub>2</sub>	1.50	1.25	1.69	0.14	0.10	0.10	3.26	3.76	3.86
BG-MoS <sub>2</sub>	1.46	1.20	1.72	0.23	0.26	0.26	3.26	3.72	3.60
NG-MoSe <sub>2</sub>	1.53	1.47	1.79	0.10	0.10	0.10	3.17	3.71	3.63
BG-MoSe <sub>2</sub>	1.59	1.60	2.05	0.19	0.22	0.41	3.13	3.63	3.62

Table S1. The charge transfer  $(\Delta Q, e)$  and shortest distances  $(\Delta d, A)$  for the

adsorption of  $Li_2S_4$ ,  $Li_2S_6$ , and  $Li_2S_8$  clusters on various anchoring materials.

		$\Delta e_{\mathrm{B}}$		$\Delta e_{ m N}$			
	$Li_2S_4$	$Li_2S_6$	$Li_2S_8$	$Li_2S_4$	$Li_2S_6$	$Li_2S_8$	
NG/MoS <sub>2</sub>	/	/	/	0.02	0.06	0.01	
NG/MoSe <sub>2</sub>	/	/	/	0.02	0.07	0.08	
BG/MoS <sub>2</sub>	-0.08	-0.07	-0.08	/	/	/	
BG/MoSe <sub>2</sub>	-0.06	-0.02	-0.07	/	/	/	

**Table S2**. The variance of charge for B ( $\Delta e_{\rm B}$ , |e|) or N atom ( $\Delta e_{\rm N}$ , |e|) of MoX<sub>2</sub>/DG materials after adsorption of soluble Li<sub>2</sub>S<sub>n</sub> species.



**Figure S1.** The computed band structures of (a) N-doped graphene (BG), (b) B-doped graphene (NG), (c) MoS<sub>2</sub>, (d) MoSe<sub>2</sub>, (e) NG/MoS<sub>2</sub>, (f) NG/MoSe<sub>2</sub>, (g) BG/MoS<sub>2</sub>, and (h) BG/MoSe<sub>2</sub>. The Fermi level was set as zero in dotted lines.









(a)









(b)

















Figure S2. The optimized configurations for  $Li_2S_4$ ,  $Li_2S_6$ , and  $Li_2S_8$  species adsorption on (a) NG, (b) BG, (c) MoS<sub>2</sub>, and (d) MoSe<sub>2</sub> monolayers.



**Figure S3.** The computed binding energies for  $LiS_4$ ,  $S_4$ ,  $Li_2S_6$ , and  $S_6$  species adsorption on various heterostructures.