Supplementary Information

## Superconducting $TaS_{2-x}I_y$ hierarchical nanostructures

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**Fig. S1.** EDX spectra of the products prepared with a 30 mg of iodine. (a) A single nanorod; (b) a piece of nanosheet.



**Fig. S2.** EDX spectra of the products prepared with a 60 mg of iodine. (a) A single nanorod; (b) a piece of nanosheet.



Fig. S3. EDX spectrum of the nanosheets prepared with a 120 mg of iodine.

## **Discussion about the XRD patterns:**

In the powder XRD patterns, the intense peaks of the sample 1, 2 are similar to those of  $1T-TaS_2$ , but both need adopt  $3R-TaS_2$  structure if all peaks are indexed, and moreover the most intense peak  $(2\theta=14.95^\circ, d=0.593 \text{ nm})$  of the XRD are closer to peak  $(d_{003}=0.594 \text{ nm})$  of  $3R-TaS_2$ . The main phases of the sample 3, 4 can be indexed according to  $2H-TaS_2$  (a=0.3314 nm, c=1.209 nm, ICDD PDF: 80-0685), but length of c-axis increases to 1.258 nm. It may be attributed to intercalation of iodine.