## Supplementary Materials

# Keys to Intimately Coupling Metal Chalcogenides with Carbon

### Nanonetwork for Potassium-Ion Storage

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### **Supplementary Figures**



Figure S1. Schematic illustration for preparing CA.



Figure S2. XPS spectra of C 1s spectrums in (a) CA and (b) O-CA.



Figure S3. Digital photographs of CA and O-CA dispersed in deionized water.



Figure S4. The pore size distribution of CA@MoSe<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S5. The XPS survey spectrum of CA@MoSe<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S6. SEM images of (a, b) MoS<sub>2</sub> and (c, d) CA/MoS<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S7. CV curves of CA@MoS<sub>2</sub> anode cycled at the  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ , and  $3^{rd}$  between 0.01 and 3 V (vs. K<sup>+</sup>/K) at a scan rate of 0.1 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.



Figure S8. Plots of  $\omega^{-1/2}$  versus-Z" of different anodes in KIBs.

## Supplementary Tables

Sample	C 1s (at. %)	O 1s (at. %)	C/O ratio (at. %)
CA	95.2	3.4	28.0
O-CA	92.8	5.7	16.3

 Table S1. Chemical structure of CA and O-CA characterized by XPS.

 Table S2. Binding energy and net electron transfer of graphene-Mo and graphene

 oxide-Mo.

Systems	E <sub>total</sub> (eV)	E <sub>substrate</sub> (eV)	E <sub>Mo</sub> (eV)	$E_{\rm b}({\rm eV})$	<b>d</b> q (e)
Carbon-Mo	-465.78	-461.07	-0.43	-4.28	0.38
Oxidized carbon-Mo	-583.00	-575.64	-0.43	-6.93	1.02

Anodes	Current density (mA g <sup>-1</sup> )	Discharge capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	References
Mesoporous carbon	50	286	[1]
Graphitic carbon nanocage	14	137	[2]
Porous hard carbon microspheres	50	227	[3]
CoS@graphene	50	311	[4]
CoS/N-doped carbon	200	303	[5]
Fe-Mo selenide@N-doped carbon	200	298	[6]
Iron sulfide/carbon hybrid cluster	100	226	[7]
FeCl <sub>3</sub> -intercalated expanded graphite	50	270	[8]
FeS <sub>2</sub> @rGO	50	264	[9]
Sandwich-like MoS <sub>2</sub> @SnO <sub>2</sub> @C	50	312	[10]
P@nanotube-backboned mesoporous carbon	50	244	[11]
Phosphorus/carbon composite	50	324	[12]
ReS <sub>2</sub> /N-doped carbon	50	253	[13]
Sb@N, P co-doped mesoporous carbon	50	266	[14]
3D hierarchically porous carbon/Sn	50	276	[15]
KTi <sub>2</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> @C	20	293	[16]
Metal-organic framework-MIL-125 (Ti)	10	208	[17]
Sn-interspersed MoS <sub>2</sub> /C nanosheets	100	290	[18]
MoSe <sub>2</sub> /N-Doped Carbon	100	258	[19]
Pistachio-shuck-like MoSe <sub>2</sub> /C	200	322	[20]
CA@MoS <sub>2</sub>	100	389	This work

 Table S3. Comparisons of the discharge capacity of different anodes for KIBs.

Parameters	CA@MoS <sub>2</sub>	CA	CA/MoS <sub>2</sub>	MoS <sub>2</sub>
$R_{s}(\Omega)$	2.3	3.6	4.0	30.5
$R_{ct}\left(\Omega ight)$	1619.1	1287.4	1923.0	1740.5
$\sigma \left( \Omega \; Hz^{1/2}  ight)$	726.3	762.3	1673.1	1215.9
D ( $10^{-20}$ cm <sup>2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	8.1	7.4	1.5	2.9

 Table S4. The kinetic parameters of different anodes.

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