## In-situ growth of MOF-derived nitrogen-doped carbon nanotubes on

## hollow MXene spheres for K-ion storage

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Figure S1 Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) images of SMXene.



Figure S2 XRD patterns of  $Ti_3AlT_x,\,Ti_3C_2T_x,\,and\,PMMA@Ti_3C_2T_{x.}$ 



Figure S3 XPS spectra of CoN-CNT@SMXene.



Figure S4 The pore size distribution curves obtained by DFT method.



Figure S5 Discharge–charge profiles of SMXene at 0.1 A g<sup>-1</sup> at different cycles.



Figure S6 Discharge–charge profiles of Co@SMXene at 0.1 A g<sup>-1</sup> at different cycles.



Figure S7 Comparison of rate capability with the reported work.



Figure S8 Cycling performance of CoN-CNT electrodes at 0.1 A g<sup>-1</sup> for 200 cycles.



Figure S9 GITT potential profiles for SMXene.



Figure S10 GITT potential profiles for Co@SMXene.



Figure S11 GITT potential profiles for Co-CNT@SMXene.



Figure S12 The migration path of  $K^+$  in  $Ti_3C_2$  and  $Ti_3C_2/CN$ .

Methods	Sample weight	Co (g/kg)	Ti	C (%)	N (%)
	(mg)		(g/kg)		
ICP-MS	0.0132	49.8945	6.5936	-	-
EA	1.27	-	-	56.7608	37.5904

**Table S1** The detailed determination of cobalt, titanium, carbon and nitrogen

 calculated by means of ICP-MS and EA methods for the CoN-CNT@SMXene.

	SMXene	Co@SMXene	CoN-CNT@SMXene
BET Surface area	153.4 m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup>	91.6 m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup>	253.8 m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup>
DFT pore size	6.079 nm	5.086 nm	0.863 nm

Table S2The specific surface area.

Materials	Current density (mA g <sup>-1</sup> )	Capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref.
CoN-	100	373.6	This
CNT@SMXene			work
MXene/MoSe <sub>2</sub> -0.1	100	233.1	Ref. 1
MXene@NCRib	200	281.4	Ref. 2
Te-SnS <sub>2</sub> @MXene	500	276.7	Ref. 3
Co <sub>3</sub> C/MXene@C	100	323.7	Ref. 4
Ti <sub>3</sub> CNT <sub>x</sub>	500	32	Ref. 5
Alkalized Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> NRs	300	60	Ref. 6
Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> -Derived	100	105	Ref. 7
Potassium Titanate			
NRs			

 Table S3 Comparison of performances of MXene-based materials in PIBs.

Materials	Current density (mA g <sup>-</sup>	Capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref.
CoN-	100	272 (	This
CNT@SMXene	100	3/3.6	work
$K_2V_3O_8$	100	242	Ref. 8
N-doped hierarchical	100	263.6	Pof 0
porous carbon			Kel. 9
Porous carbon	100	264 5	Ref 10
microspheres	100	204.3	Kci. 10
Bi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> @C	500	233	Ref. 11
ZnS@C	100	270	Ref. 12
$Bi_2Sn_2O_7/C$	50	295	Ref. 13

 Table S4 Comparison of performances of anode materials in PIBs.

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