

**Hollow Nano-flowers NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Nb<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>x</sub> MXene Heterostructure via Interfacial Engineering for High-performance Flexible Supercapacitor Electrodes**

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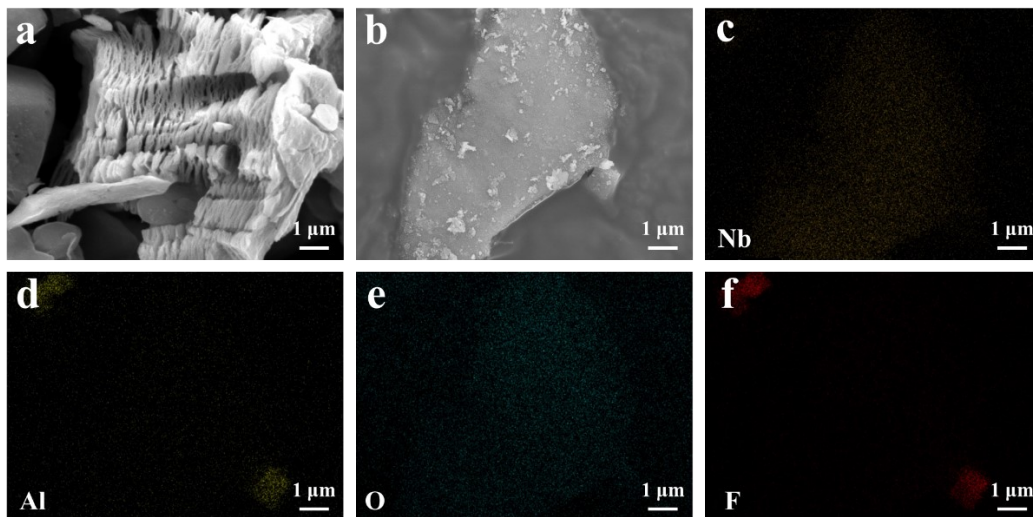


Fig.S1 (a) and (b) are the images of multi-layers and few-layers Nb<sub>2</sub>CTx MXene, respectively. (c)-(f) are the distribution of the four elements Nb Al O and F on the surface of Nb<sub>2</sub>CTx MXene, respectively.

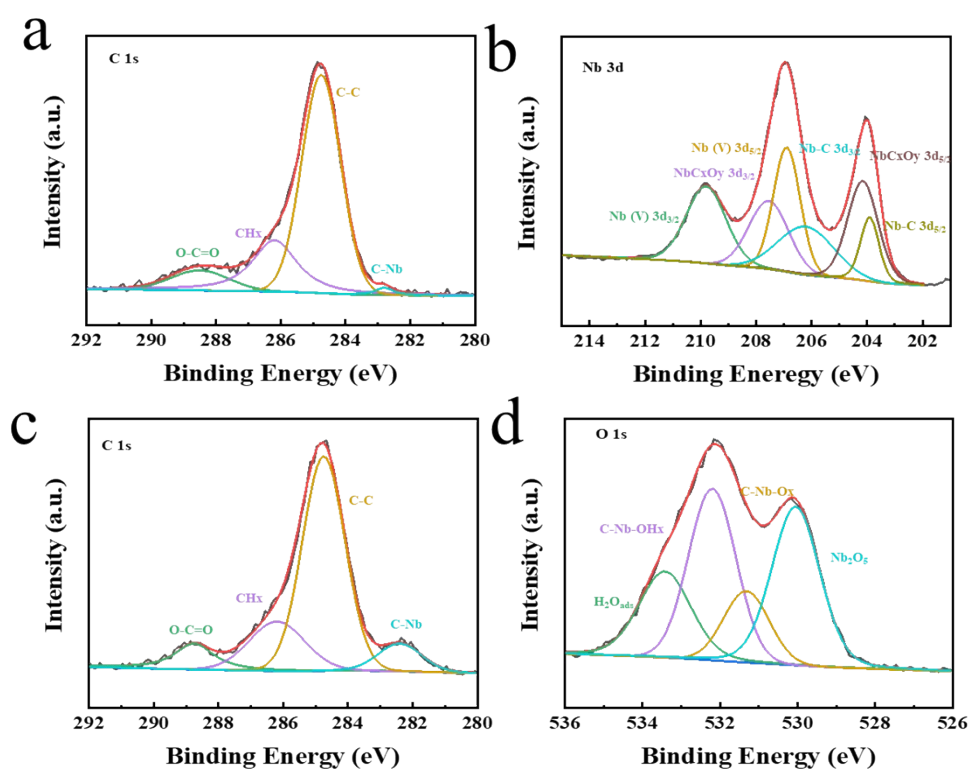


Fig.S2 (a) C 1s high-resolution spectra of NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Nb<sub>2</sub>CTx-2 composite, (c-d) Nb 3d, C 1s and O 1s high-resolution spectra of pure Nb<sub>2</sub>CTxMXene.

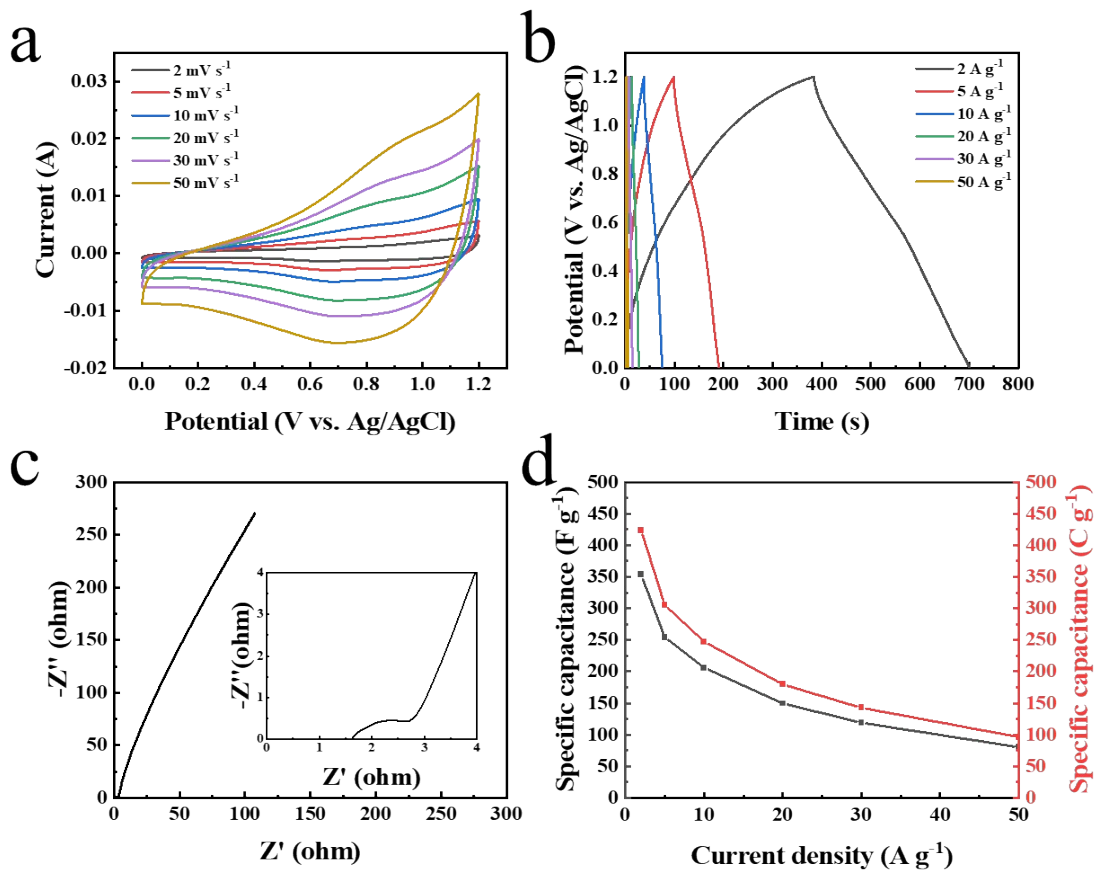


Fig.S3. Electrochemical performances of  $\text{NiCo}_2\text{O}_4@\text{Nb}_2\text{CTx}-2$  electrodes in  $1\text{M Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  electrolyte. (a) CV and (b) GCD curves at different scan rates and current densities, respectively; (c) The EIS curves of  $\text{NiCo}_2\text{O}_4@\text{Nb}_2\text{CTx}-2$  and  $\text{NiCo}_2\text{O}_4@\text{Nb}_2\text{CTx}-3$  electrodes; (d) Specific capacitance change curves over different current densities.

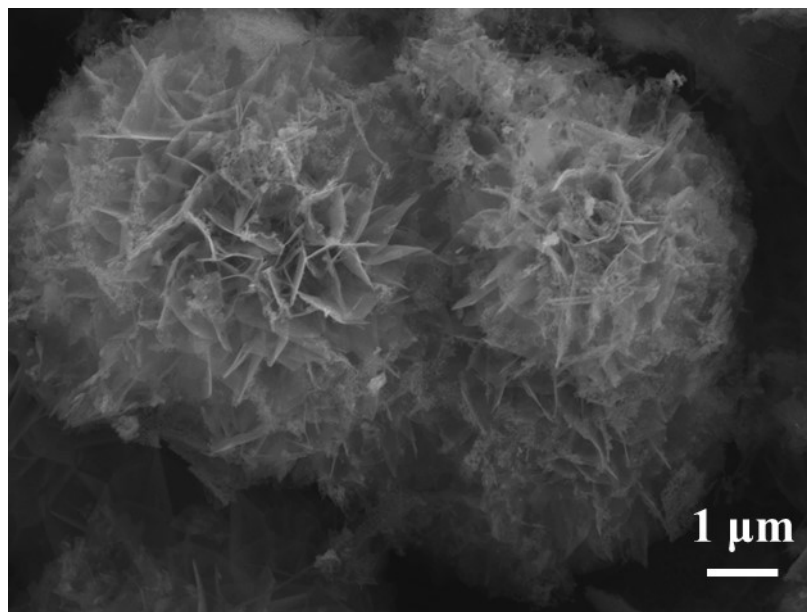


Fig.S4. SEM image of the  $\text{NiCo}_2\text{O}_4@\text{Nb}_2\text{CTx}-2$  composite after 5000 cycles.

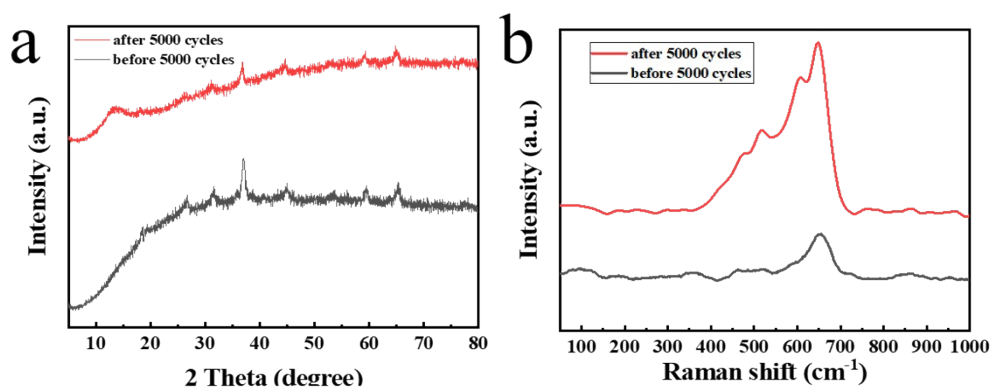


Fig.S5. (a) and (b) are the XRD and Raman pattern before and after 5000 cycles of the NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Nb<sub>2</sub>CTx-2 electrode.

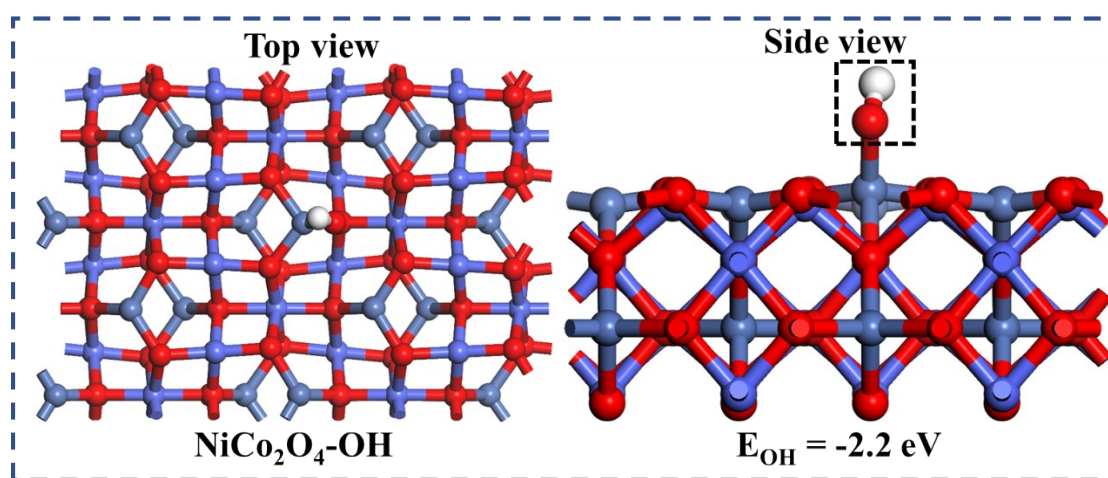


Fig.S6 The structure of NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>-OH.

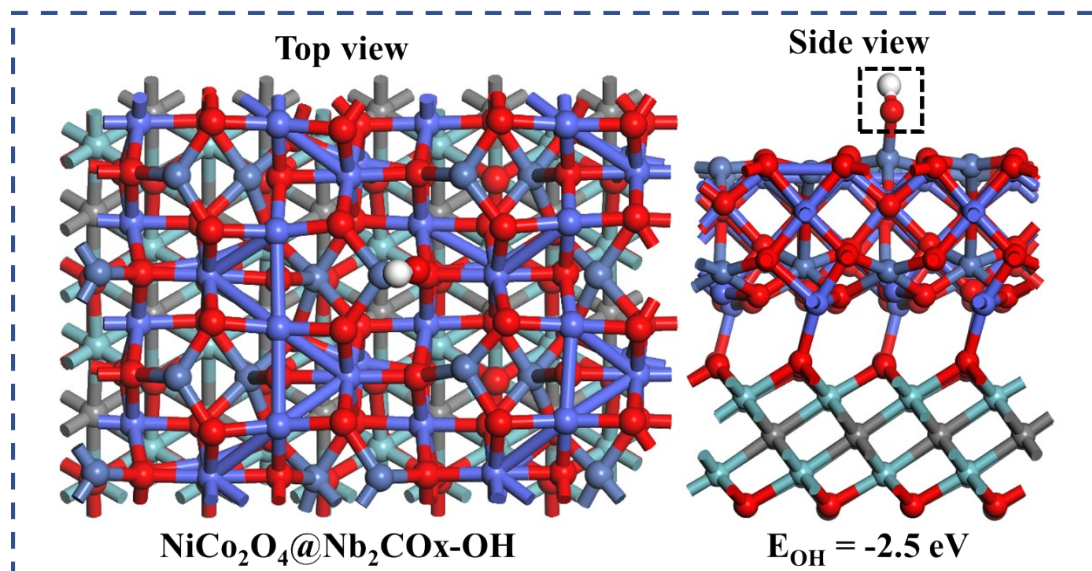


Fig.S7 The structure of NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Nb<sub>2</sub>CTx-OH.

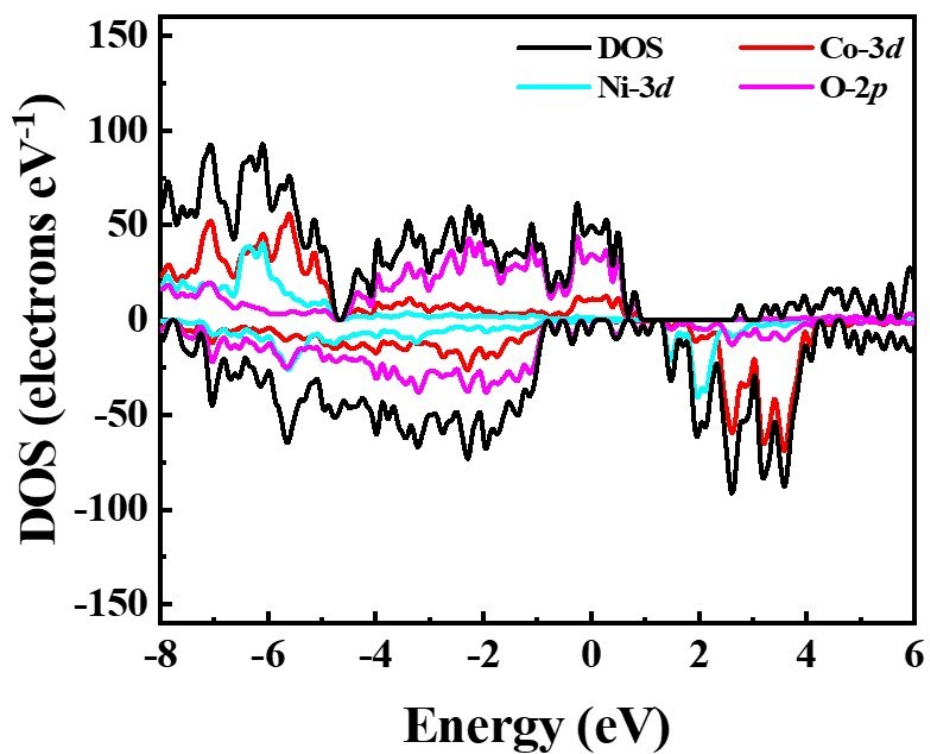


Fig.S8. DOS of pure NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.

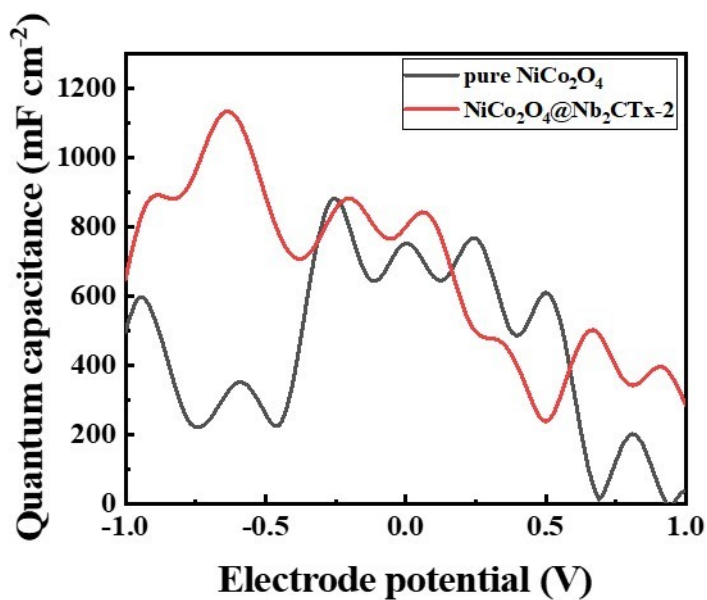


Fig.S9. Quantum capacitance plot for pure NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> and NiCo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Nb<sub>2</sub>CTx-2 composite.