

Supporting information:

Interface coupling 1D/2D/2D CoTe₂/graphene/carbon heterostructure as high-performance anode material for potassium ion battery

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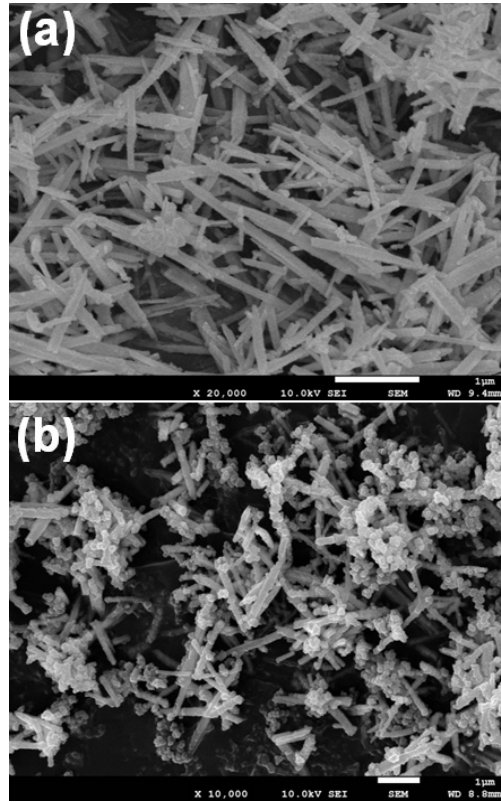


Fig. S1. SEM images of the CoTe_2 and $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{C}$ samples.

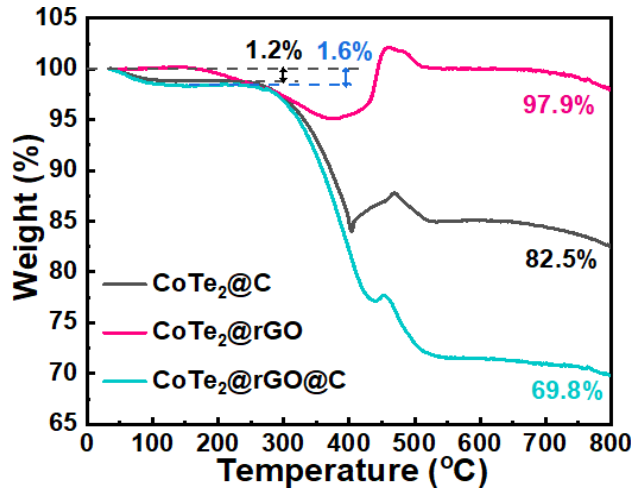


Fig. S2. TGA curves of the $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{C}$, $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}$ and $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$ samples.

Calculation of carbon content

The content of CoTe_2 in $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$ was measured by thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) and analyzed based on the weight loss of carbon combustion (Fig. S2) and the weight increment from the oxidation of elemental CoTe_2 to $\text{Co}_2\text{Te}_3\text{O}_8$ ($2\text{CoTe}_2 + 5\text{O}_2 + \text{C} \rightarrow \text{Co}_2\text{Te}_3\text{O}_8 + \text{CO}_2\uparrow + \text{Te}\uparrow$). Therefore, the content of CoTe_2 in $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$ could be calculated by the following formula:

$$W_{\text{CoTe}_2} = W_{\text{Co}_2\text{Te}_3\text{O}_8} \times \frac{2M_{\text{CoTe}_2}}{M_{\text{Co}_2\text{Te}_3\text{O}_8}}$$

where M represents molar mass, and W represents the mass fraction.

Finally, the mass fraction of C is obtained as:

$$W_{\text{C}} = 100\% - W_{\text{CoTe}_2} - W_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$$

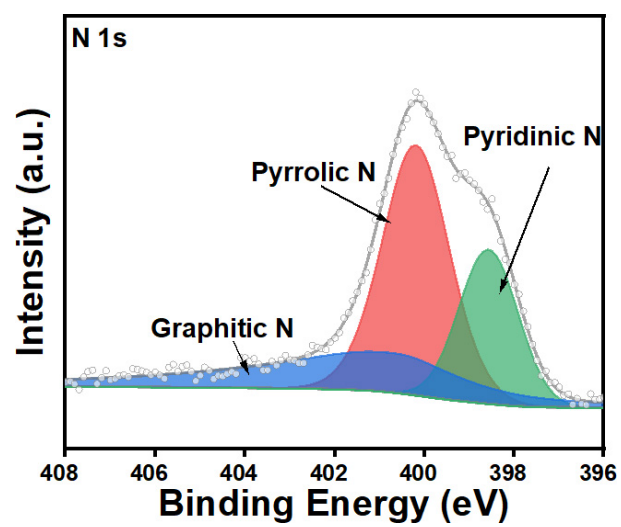


Fig. S3. XPS high-resolution spectra of N 1s for CoTe₂@rGO@C sample.

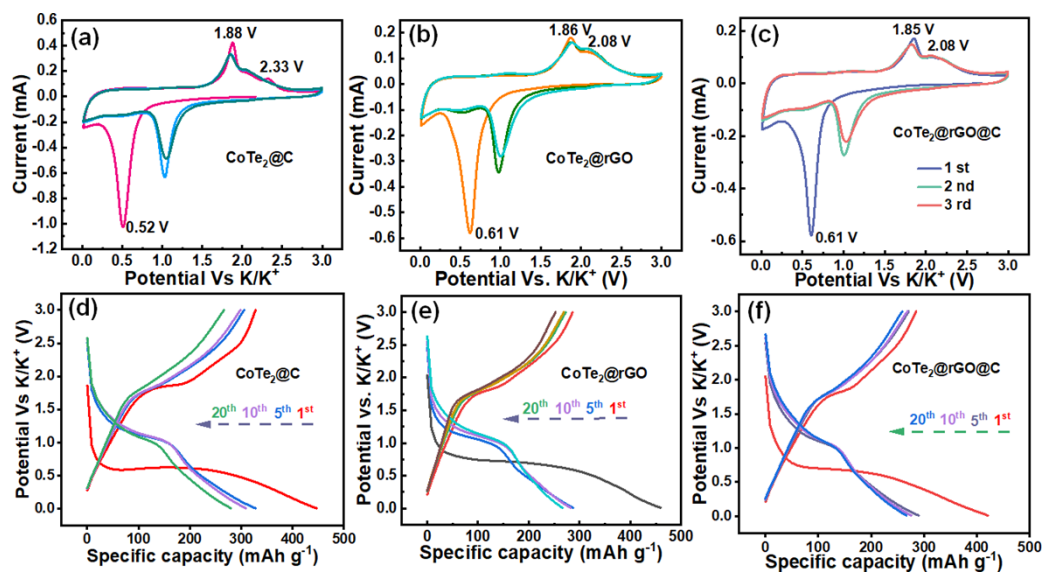


Fig. S4. CV curves of (a) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{C}$, (b) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}$ and (c) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$ anodes.

Charge-discharge curves of the (d) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{C}$, (e) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}$ and (f) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$ anodes.

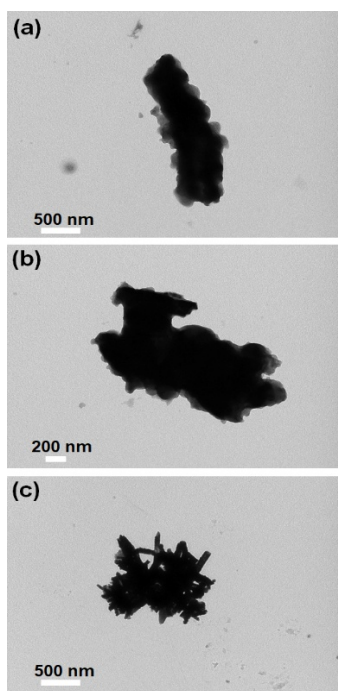


Fig. S5. TEM images of the $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{C}$, $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}$ and $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$ anodes after cycling at 500 mA g^{-1} for 400 cycles.

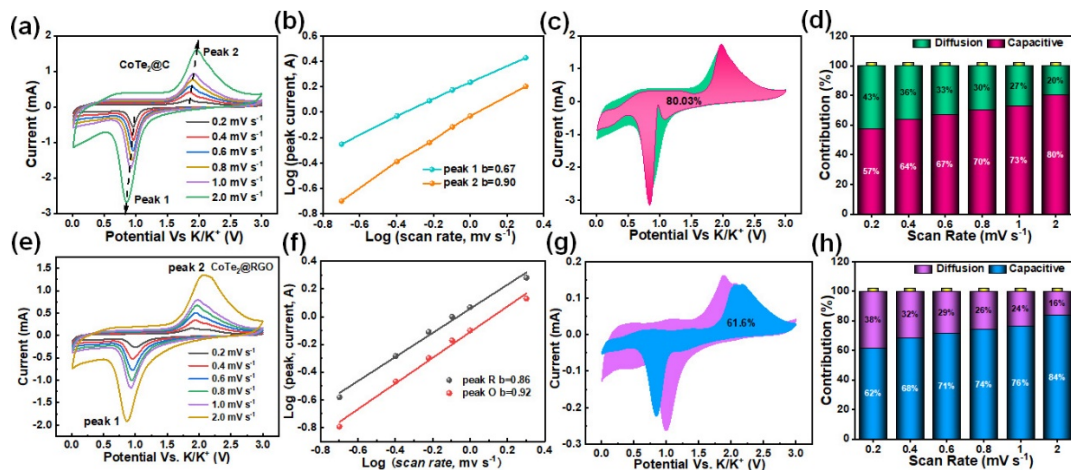


Fig. S6. CV curves of (a) CoTe₂@C and (e) CoTe₂@rGO anodes at different scan rates. Log (*i*) versus Log (*v*) plots of (b) CoTe₂@C and (f) CoTe₂@rGO anodes. (c) Capacitive contribution to the total current of (c) CoTe₂@C and (g) CoTe₂@rGO anodes at 2.0 mV s⁻¹. Capacitive contribution to the total current of (d) CoTe₂@C and (h) CoTe₂@rGO at different scan rates.

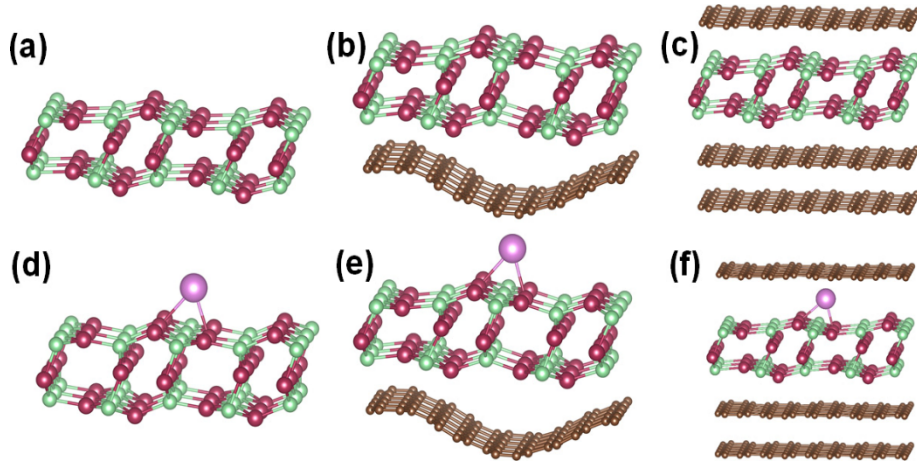


Fig. 7. Structural models of the (a) CoTe_2 , (b) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}$ and (c) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$. K-ion adsorption models of (d) CoTe_2 , (e) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}$ and (f) $\text{CoTe}_2@\text{rGO}@\text{C}$.

Table S1. Comparison of the electrochemical performance of various anode materials between this work and the previous works.

Anodes	Current densities (mA g ⁻¹)						Ref.
	Discharge capacities (mAh g ⁻¹)						
CoTe ₂ @rGO@C	200	500	1000	2000	3000	5000	This work
	396.5	307.7	274.6	235.4	202.5	163.8	
CoTe ₂ /C	100	200	400	600	800	2000	[1]
	416.5	346	272.1	237.5	216.5	163.7	
CoTe ₂ @rGO@NC	50	100	200	500	1000	5000	[2]
	253.3	222.5	197.1	168.3	144.1	44.4	
CoTe ₂ @NPCNF@N C	50	100	200	500	1000	2000	[3]
	526	438.9	353.4	266.9	209.3	148.9	
MoS ₂ /CNC(10:1)	50	100	200	500	1000		[4]
	220	201	183	160	139		
MoS ₂ @HPCS	50	100	200	500	1000	2000	[5]
	420.7	367	343.8	243.9	162.7	93.1	
DWHNS	50	100	200	400	500	1000	[6]
Sn/MoS ₂ @C	250.5	238.8	196.5	145.6	126.8	74.9	

Table S2. Fitting results of the CoTe₂, CoTe₂@rGO and CoTe₂@rGO@C anodes.

Anode	R_s (Ω)	R_f (Ω)	R_{ct} (Ω)
CoTe ₂ @C	8.31	85.32	1152.5
CoTe ₂ @rGO	5.14	47.53	1089.3
CoTe ₂ @rGO@C	4.01	7.56	568.2

Table S3. Impedance fitting value after cycling of CoTe₂@rGO@C anode.

Cycle	R_s (Ω)	R_f (Ω)	R_{ct} (Ω)
1th	4.01	7.56	568.2
5th	3.97	7.01	519.4
10th	4.98	8.21	593.6

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