

Supporting Information

Synergistic Nitrogen-Doping and Carbon-Coating in N-MoSe₂/C Nanoflowers Enable Ultra-high Discharge Capacity for Li-CO₂ Batteries

Dandan Zhu, Qingyang Dai, Xinyu Zhang, Jiacheng Yi, Yong Yang*

School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Nanjing University of Science and Technology, Nanjing 210094, China

*Corresponding authors. E-mail addresses: ychem@njust.edu.cn (Y. Yang)

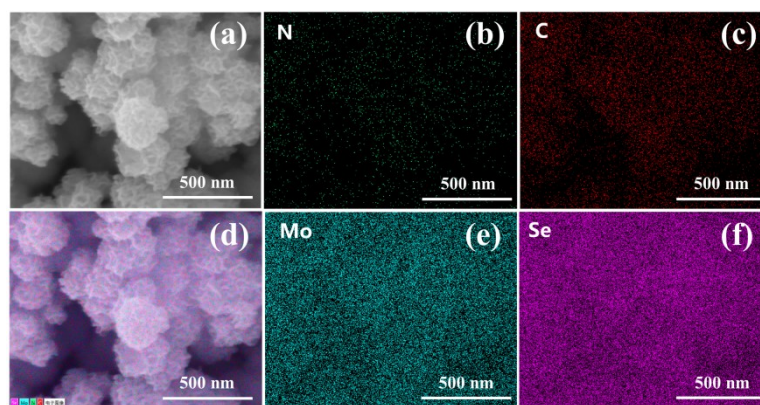


Fig. S1 EDS mapping images of N-MoSe₂/C showing the elemental distributions of Mo, Se, N and C.

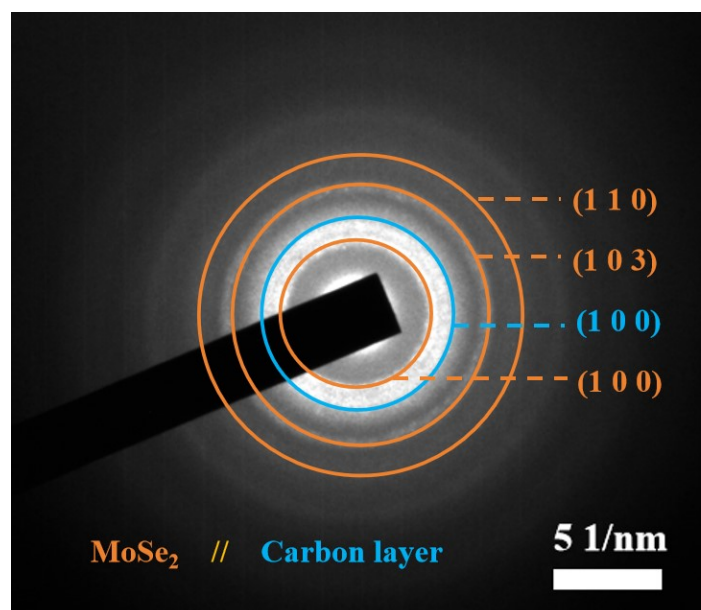


Fig. S2 SAED patterns of MoSe_2 and Carbon layer

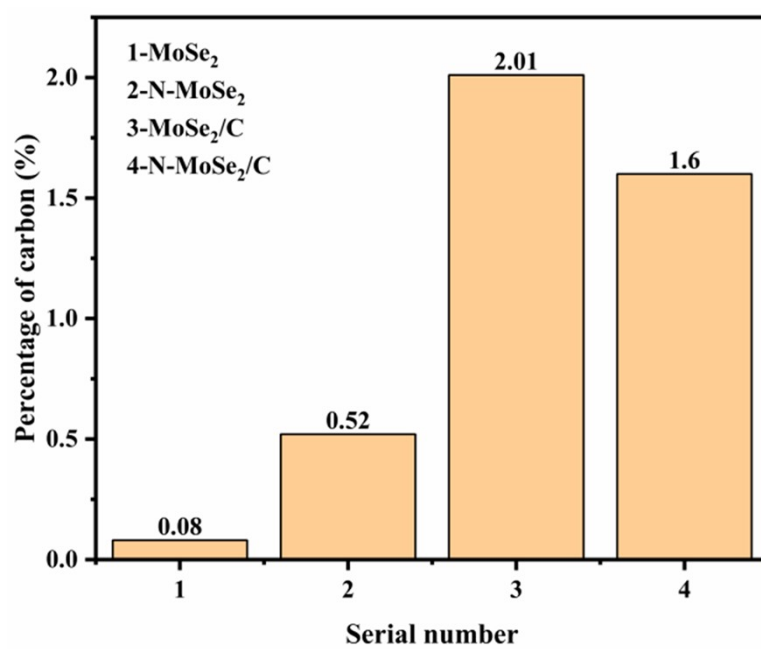


Fig. S3 Carbon content of prepared samples.

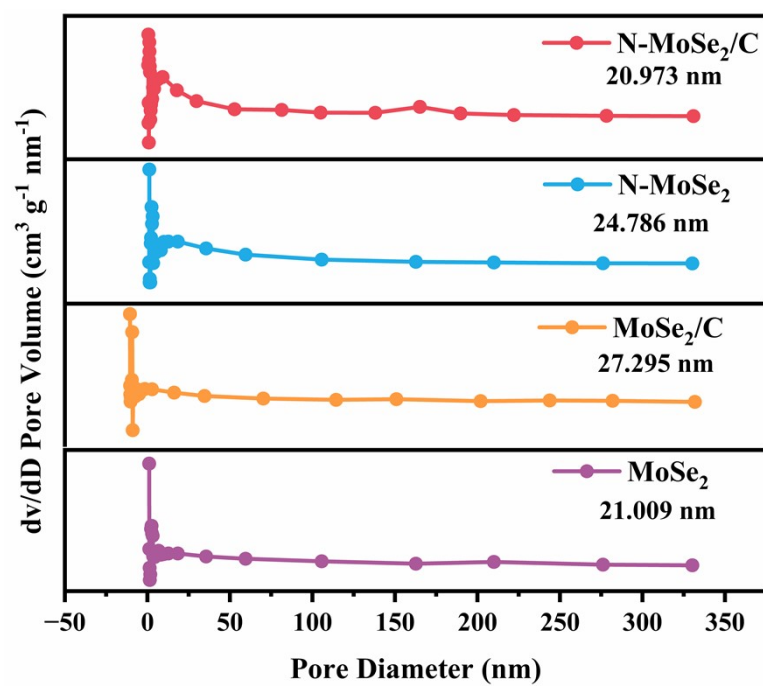


Fig. S4 Pore size testing of corresponding prepared samples.

Table S1. Performance comparison of typical reported cathode catalysts for Li-CO₂ batteries.

Cathode catalyst	Current density (mA g ⁻¹)	Capacity (mAh g ⁻¹)	Over potential (V)	Current density (mA g ⁻¹)	Cut off capacity (mAh g ⁻¹)	Cycling stability	Ref.
Ru-O-Zr/Ce	100	21075	1.03	100	1000	167	1
MnO _x -CeO ₂	100	13631	1.49	100	1000	253	2
CCGA	100	7860	1.53	100	1000	100	3
Cu-Co ₄ N@CC	100	31000	1.32	200	500	131	4
Ir-Te	100	13247	1.48	1000	1000	350	5
IrRu/N-CNTs	100	6228	<1.5	100	500	>600	6
RuCo NSs/CNT	100	8057	0.94	100	1000	44	7
PdCu/N-CNF	100	18500	1.17	100	1000	270	8
FeCoNiMnCuAl@C	100	27664	1.03	100	1000	134	9
Ru/NS-G	100	12,448	1.4	100	1000	>100	10
MoS ₂ /CNT	100	8551	1.24	100	500	142	11
Mo ₃ P/Mo	50	10577	0.13	250	500	78	12
MWCNT/Ru	150	6531	1.30	50	500	50	13
MWCNT/RuNi	200	15165	1.13	200	500	>80	14
N-MoSe ₂ /C	100	37720	1.54	100	500	89	This work

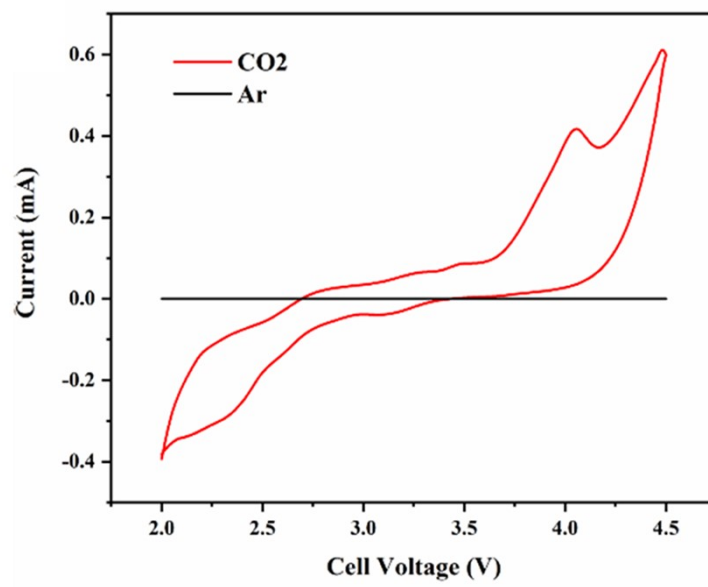


Fig. S5 The discharge performance of N-MoSe₂/C at different atmosphere.

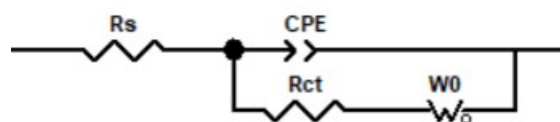


Fig. S6 Equivalent Circuit Model. R_s : Solution Resistance. R_{ct} : Charge Transfer Resistance. CPE : Constant Phase Element. W_0 : Warburg Resistance

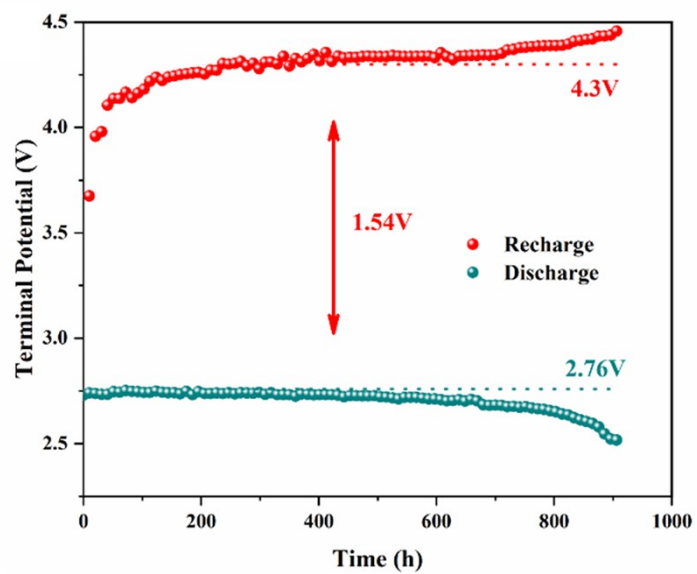


Fig. S7 The cycle performance of N-MoSe₂/C assembled battery under the condition of 100 mA g⁻¹ current density and cut-off capacity of 500 mAh g⁻¹ test.

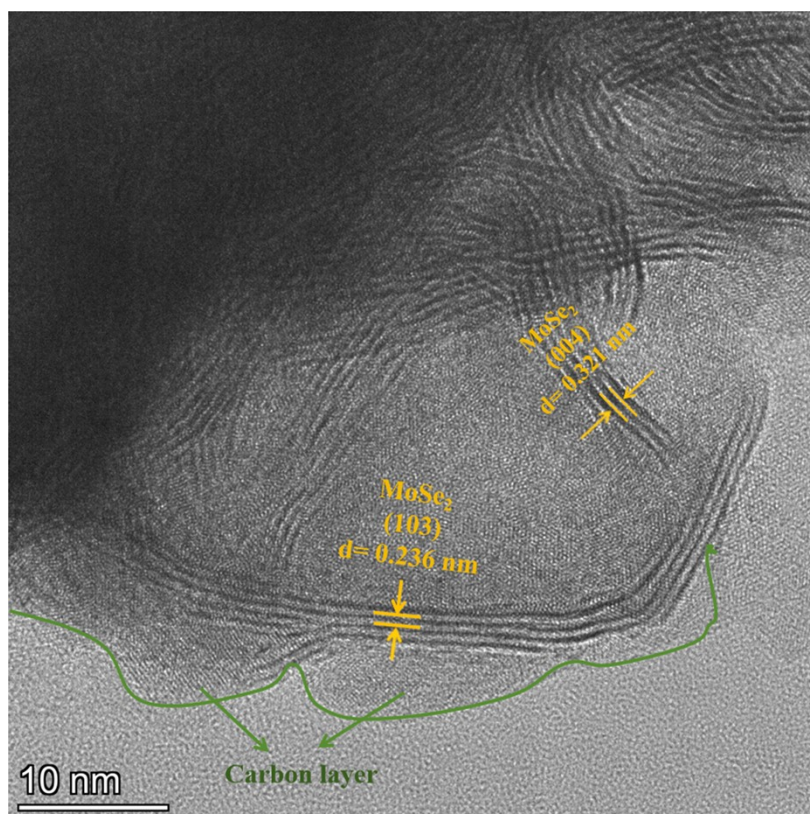


Fig. S8 HRTEM image of N-MoSe₂/C nanoflowers after cycling.

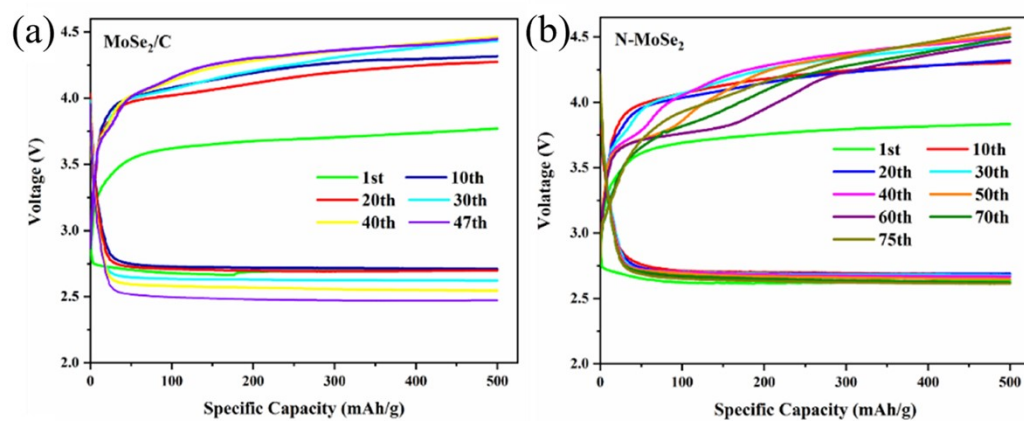


Fig. S9 The cycle stability of (a) MoSe_2/C , (b) N-MoSe_2 positive electrode under the condition of 100 mA g^{-1} current density and cutoff capacity of 500 mAh g^{-1}

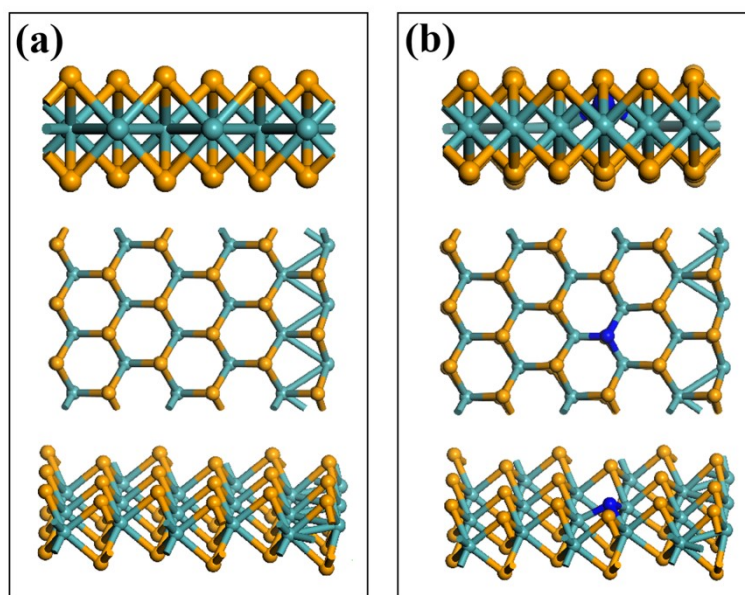


Fig. S10 Optimized structural models: (a) MoSe₂(1 0 0) and (b) N-MoSe₂(1 0 0).

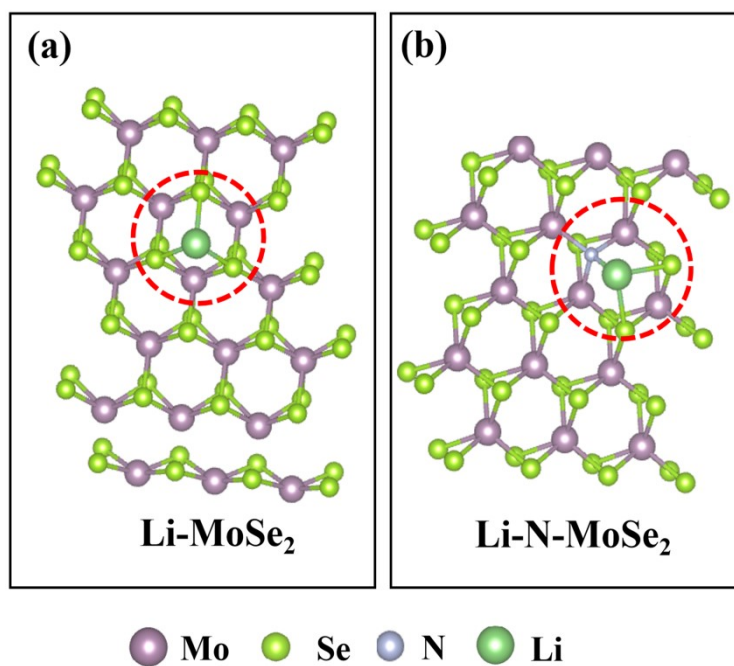


Fig. S11 Structure models of Li with (a) MoSe₂ and (b) N-MoSe₂.

Supporting Reference

1. Q. Deng, Y. Yang, K. Yin, J. Yi, Y. Zhou, Y. Zhang, *Adv. Energy Mater.*, 2023, **13**, 2302398.
2. Q. Deng, Y. Yang, C. Mao, T. Wang, Z. Fang, W. Yan, K. Yin, Y. Zhang, *Adv. Energy Mater.*, 2022, **12**, 2103667.
3. Q. Deng, Y. Yang, S. Qu, W. Wang, Y. Zhang, X. Ma, W. Yan, Y. Zhang, *Energy Storage Materials*, 2021, **42**, 484-492.
4. X. Ma, W. Zhao, Q. Deng, X. Fu, L. Wu, W. Yan, Y. Yang, *Journal of Power Sources*, 2022, **535**, 231446.
5. Y. Zhai, H. Tong, J. Deng, G. Li, Y. Hou, R. Zhang, J. Wang, Y. Lu, K. Liang, P. Chen, F. Dang, B. Kong, *Energy Stor. Mater.*, 2021, **43**, 391-401.
6. Z. Wang, B. Liu, X. Yang, C. Zhao, P. Dong, X. Li, Y. Zhang, K. Doyle-Davis, X. Zeng, Y. Zhang, X. Sun, *Adv. Funct. Mater.*, 2023, **33**, 2213931.
7. Y. Wang, J. Zhou, C. Lin, B. Chen, Z. Guan, A. M. Ebrahim, G. Qian, C. Ye, L. Chen, Y. Ge, Q. Yun, X. Wang, X. Zhou, G. Wang, K. Li, P. Lu, Y. Ma, Y. Xiong, T. Wang, L. Zheng, S. Chu, Y. Chen, B. Wang, C.-S. Lee, Y. Liu, Q. Zhang, Z. Fan, *Adv. Funct. Mater.*, 2022, **32**, 2202737.
8. P.-F. Zhang, T. Sheng, Y. Zhou, Y.-J. Wu, C.-C. Xiang, J.-X. Lin, Y.-Y. Li, J.-T. Li, L. Huang, S.-G. Sun, *Chem. Eng. J.* 2022, **448**, 137541.
9. J. Yi, Q. Deng, H. Cheng, D. Zhu, K. Zhang, Y. Yang, *Small*, 2024, **20**, 2401146.
10. Y. Qiao, J. Wu, J. Zhao, Q. Li, P. Zhang, C. Hao, X. Liu, S. Yang, Y. Liu, *Energy Storage Mater.*, 2020, **27**, 133-139.
11. C.-J. Chen, C.-S. Huang, Y.-C. Huang, F.-M. Wang, X.-C. Wang, C.-C. Wu, W.-S. Chang, C.-L. Dong, L.-C. Yin, R.-S. Liu, *ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces*, 2021, **13**, 6156-6167.
12. D. Na, R. K. Kampara, D. Yu, B. Yoon, S. W. Martin, I. Seo, *Mater. Today Energy*. 2023, **38**, 101418.
13. C. Wu, G. Qi, J. Zhang, J. Cheng, B. Wang, *Small*. 2023, **19**, 2302078.
14. K. M. Naik, A. K. Chourasia, M. Shavez, C. S. Sharma, *ChemSusChem*. 2023, **16**,

e202300734.