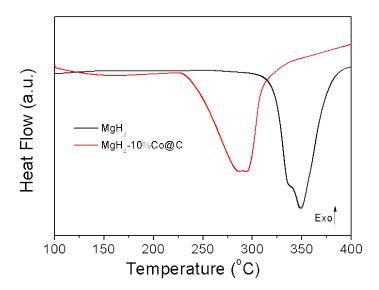
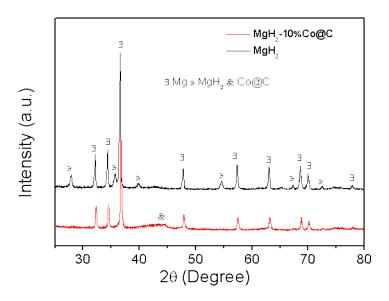
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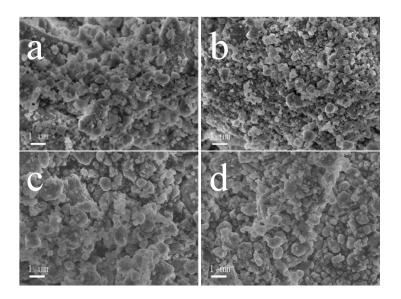


**Figure S1** The representative DSC curves of pure MgH<sub>2</sub> and MgH<sub>2</sub>-10%Co@C samples (Ramp: 5 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).

Sample Name	Peak Temperature (°C)				Ea
	2 (°C min <sup>-1</sup> )	5 (°C min <sup>-1</sup> )	10 (°C min <sup>-1</sup> )	15 (°C min <sup>-1</sup> )	(kJ/mol)
$MgH_2$	340.7	359.3	374.5	380.6	157.1
MgH <sub>2</sub> -10%Co@C	293.8	316.1	339.4	353.3	84.5



**Figure S2** XRD images of pure  $MgH_2$  and  $MgH_2$ -10%Co@C after dehydrogenation.



**Figure S3** SEM images of pure  $MgH_2$  and  $MgH_2$ -10%Co@C composites (a, b) as-milled, (c, d) after-dehydrogenated.