

## Supporting Information

### **A co-sol-emulsion-gel synthesis of tunable and uniform hollow carbon nanospheres with interconnected mesoporous**

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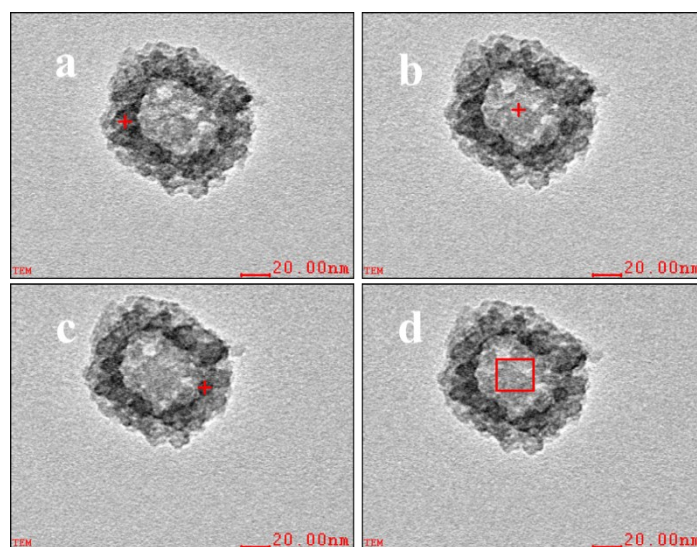
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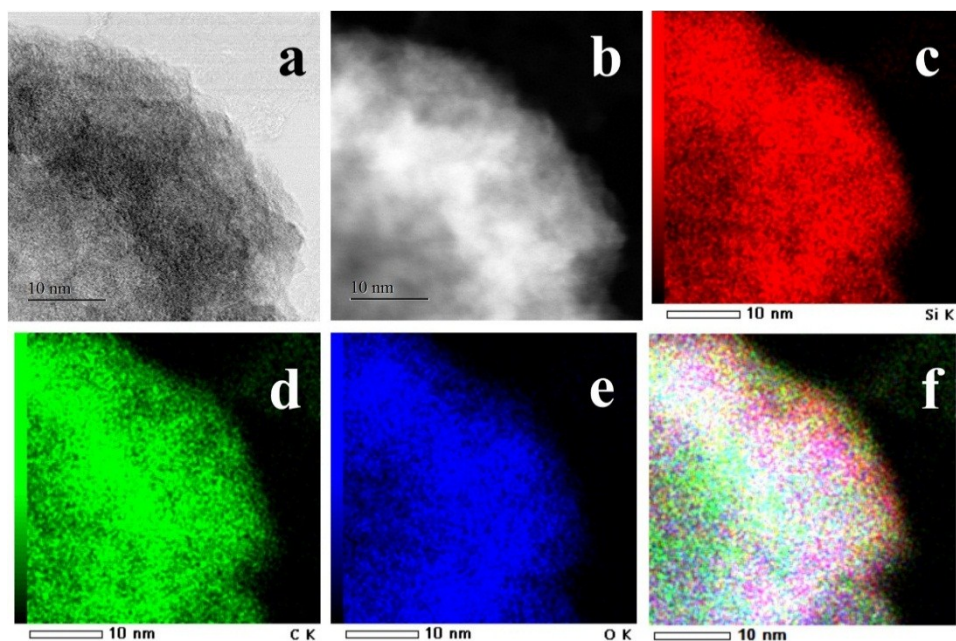
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**Table S1.** EDX the element composition analysis result of the core and shell for the MHSs-5-90-C/SiO<sub>2</sub>.

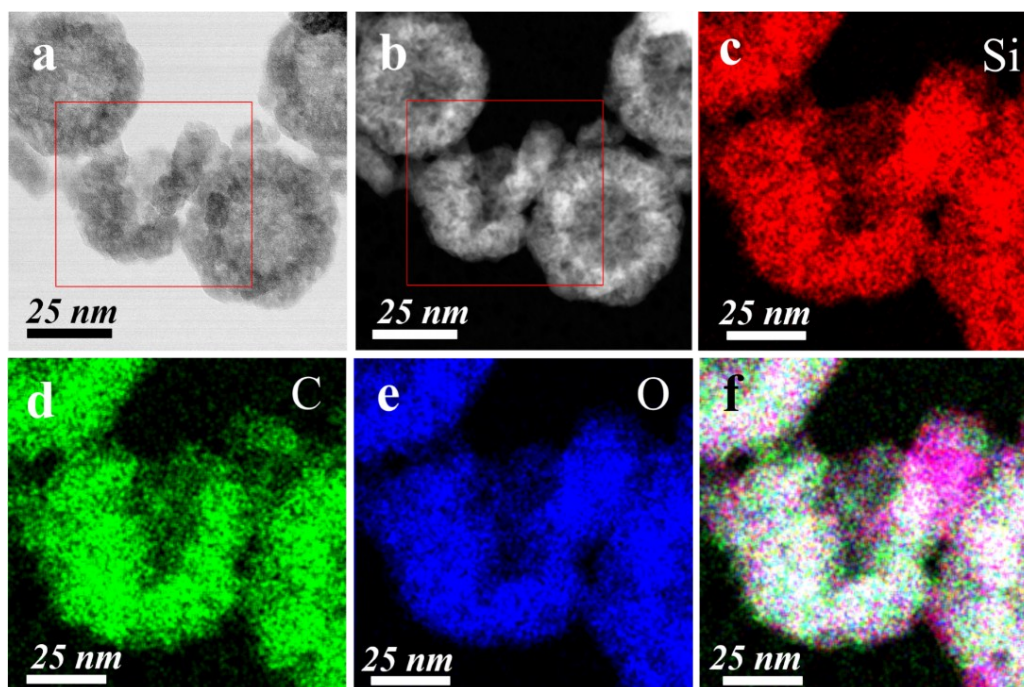
Element	MHSs-5-90-C/SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt.%)			
	a	b	c	d
C	27.32	26.60	28.12	26.31
O	36.69	35.57	35.10	37.51
Si	35.99	37.83	36.78	36.18



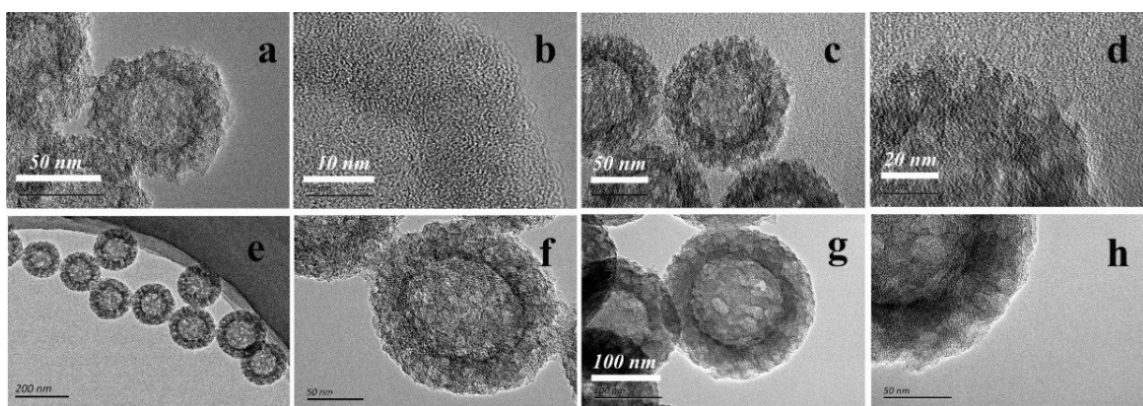
**Figure S1.** EDX elemental analysis of the core and shell of the MHSs-90-C/SiO<sub>2</sub> composites.



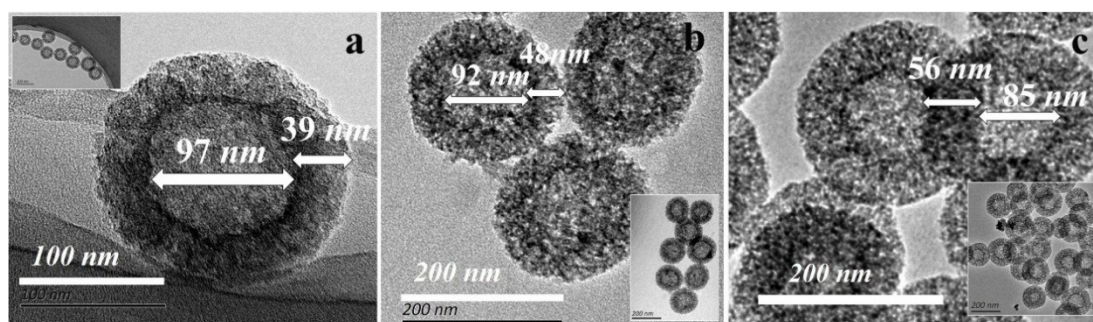
**Figure S2.** BF- and HAADF-STEM magnified images (a, b) of the mesoporous hollow spheres (MHSs-90-C/SiO<sub>2</sub>), (c-e) the corresponding EDX elemental mapping of carbon, silicon, and oxygen, (f) along with an overlay of those three maps.



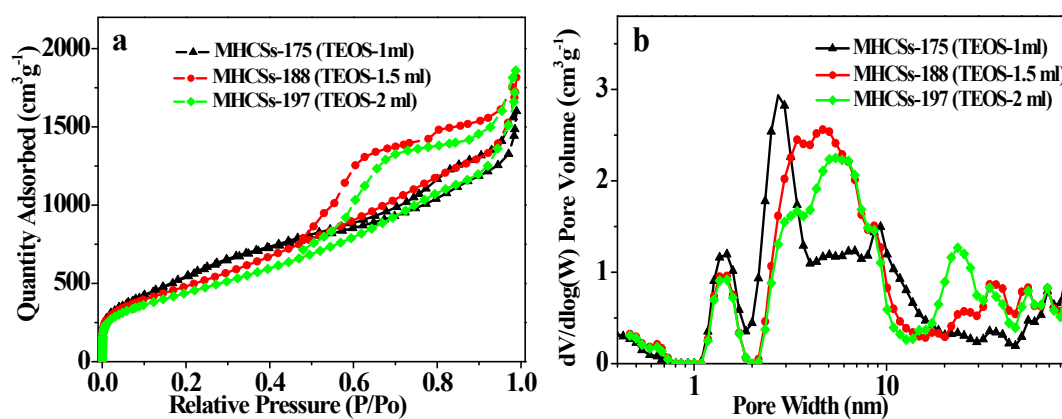
**Figure S3.** BF- and HAADF-STEM images of (a, b) of the wrecked mesoporous hollow sphere (MHSs-90-C/SiO<sub>2</sub>), (c-e) the corresponding EDX elemental mapping of carbon, silicon, and oxygen, (f) along with an overlay of these three maps.



**Figure S4.** HRTEM images of MHCSs-90 (a, b), MHCSs-125(c, d), MHCSs-175 (e, f) and MHCSs-240 (g, h).



**Figure S5.** TEM images of (a) MHCSs-175, (TEOS-1ml); (b) MHCSs-188 (TEOS-1.5ml) and (c) MHCSs-197 (TEOS-2ml).



**Figure S6.** (a) Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherm; and (b) Pore size distribution of different proportions of TEOS.

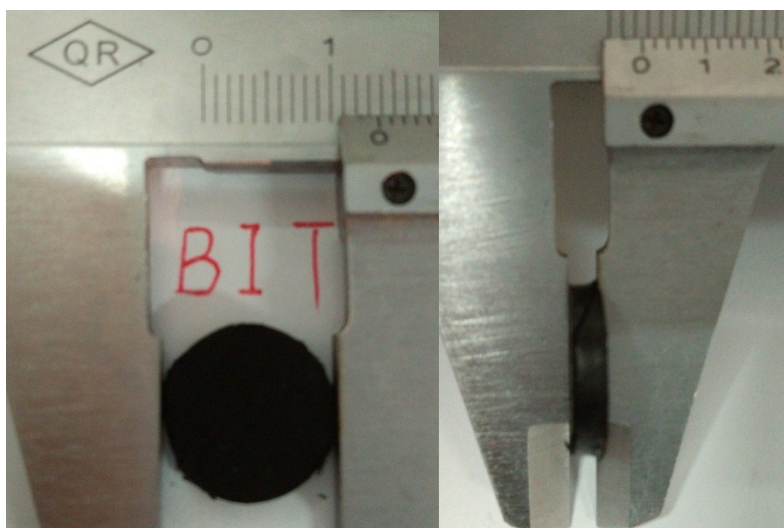
**Table S2.** Porosity properties and distribution of pore volume of amount of different proportions of TEOS.

Sample	$S_{\text{BET}}^{[a]}$ ( $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ )	Pore vol and (pore vol%) <sup>[b]</sup> ( $\text{cm}^3/\text{g}$ )			$D_{\text{aver}}^{[c]}$ [nm]
		$V_{\text{total}}$	$V_{<2 \text{ nm}}$	$V_{>2 \text{ nm}}$	
MHCSs-175(TEOS-1ml)	2203	1.96	0.25(12.8)	1.71(78.2)	5.32
MHCSs-188 (TEOS-1.5ml)	1965	2.46	0.20(8.1)	2.26(91.9)	5.93
MHCSs-197 (TEOS-2ml)	1858	2.51	0.19(7.6)	2.32(92.4)	6.53

<sup>[a]</sup>Surface area is calculated with Brunauer–Emmett–Teller (BET) method by using a relative pressure range from 0.05-0.28. <sup>[b]</sup> The volume of pores smaller than 2 nm ( $V_{<2 \text{ nm}}$ ), and pores larger than 2 nm ( $V_{>2 \text{ nm}}$ ) obtained by DFT. <sup>[c]</sup> average pore diameter obtained by BET

**Table S3.** Specific surface area ( $S_{\text{BET}}$ ) and pore volume of typical MHCSs and the other literature.

Samples	$S_{\text{BET}}$ ( $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ )	pore volume ( $\text{cm}^3/\text{g}$ )	Ref
MHCSs	2106-2225	1.95-2.53	This work
HGCS	444	0.36	5
HCS	603.8	0.32	6
OMC	1883		7
HCMSC <sub>180/40</sub>	1314		
HCMS	1704	1.6	11
MCN	857	0.45	12
MCN <sub>s</sub>	894-1131	1.11-1.52	13
HCSs	540 -712	0.39-0.53	17
HMCN <sub>s</sub>	646	0.38	18
HCS <sub>s</sub>	367-466	0.6-1.6	19
HCSs	690–1370	0.49–2.33	20
HCPS	719	0.44	22
HCNPs	317.5-431.3		23
HCS	720		24
MHCSs	659- 982	1.06- 1.69	25
MHCSs	629-1321	0.66-1.05	28



**Figure S7.** Radius and height of MHCSs electrode material (Formula S1 is used to calculate density of MHCSs electrode).

$$\rho = \frac{m}{v} = \frac{m}{s \cdot h} = \frac{m}{\pi r^2 \cdot h} \quad (\text{S1})$$

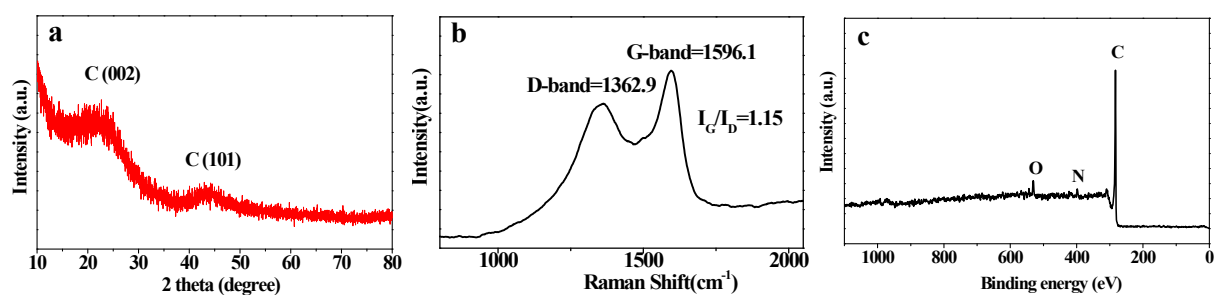
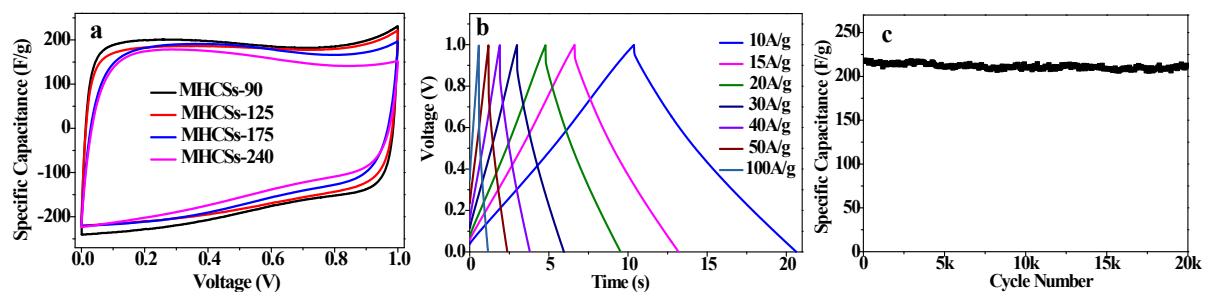
By using S1 formula density of MHCSs electrode material calculated is 0.37-0.43 g cm<sup>-3</sup>, the details of it are summarized in Table S3.

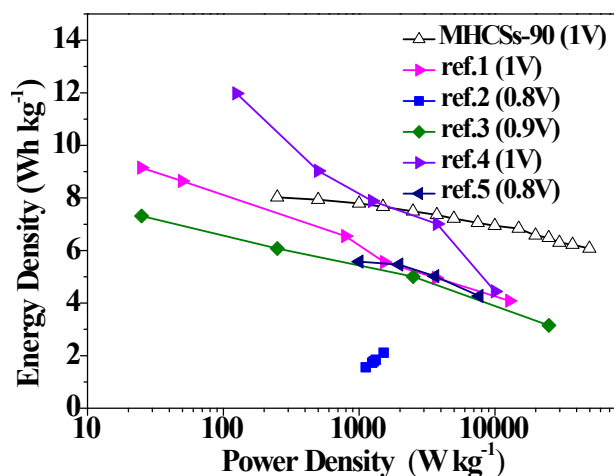
**Table S4.** The tap density of the electrode's material, thickness and weight of typical MHCSs

Samples	Tap density of the electrode's material (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	electrode's thickness (cm)	electrode's diameter (cm)	electrode's weight (mg)
MHCSs-90	0.42	0.022-0.028	1.1	8.8-11.4
MHCSs-125	0.41	0.022-0.028	1.1	8.6-11.2
MHCSs-175	0.39	0.022-0.028	1.1	8.2-10.4
MHCSs-240	0.37	0.022-0.028	1.1	7.7-9.8

**Table S5.** Combustion elemental analysis and XPS result of HMCSs-90

HMCSs-90	C wt%	N wt%	O wt%	F wt%	Si wt%	H wt%
XPS	94.07	1.28	3.97	0.05	0.63	-
Elemental analysis	93.43	1.21	4.64	-	-	0.72

**Figure S8.** (a) XRD pattern, (b) Raman spectrum and (c) XPS spectra of MHCSs-90.**Figure S9.** Electrochemical performance characteristics measured for MHCSs in a two-electrode system in 6 M KOH electrolyte. (a) Cyclic voltammograms at 0.1 V/s of MHCSs. (b) Galvanostatic charge-discharge curves of MHCSs-90 at different current densities. (c) Cycling stability of MHCSs-90 test at 5 A/g.



**Figure S9.** Ragone plot of advanced porous carbon materials that can be found in the literature with outstanding behavior as supercapacitor electrodes in  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  or  $\text{KOH}$  electrolyte.

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