## Supporting information

## Lavender-like cobalt hydroxide nanoflakes deposited on nickel

## nanowire arrays for high-performance supercapacitors

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**Figure S1**. Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherm of the NFCOH sample, the inset showing the poresize distribution.



Figure S2. X-ray photon spectrum of O1s of the NNA@Co(OH)<sub>2</sub> sample.



Figure S3. SEM image of the pristine nickel nanowire arrays.



Figure S4. SEM image of nickel foam@Co(OH)<sub>2</sub> at different magnifications.



**Figure S5**. Cyclic voltammetry of the NNA@Co(OH)<sub>2</sub> electrode and NNA at the current density of 5 mV  $s^{-1}$ .



Figure S6. Cyclic voltammetry of the NF@Co(OH)<sub>2</sub> electrode and pure nickel foam at the current density of 5 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S7**. Cyclic voltammetry plot of the activated carbon electrode at the scan rate from 5 to 100 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S8**. Galvanostatic charge/discharge curves of: a) a single asymmetric supercapacitor (ASC) and two ASCs in parallel, and b) a single ASC and two ASCs in tandem.

Ref	Morphology	Capacitance at current density	Cycling stability	Energy density at Power density
This work	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> nanosheets on nickel nanowire	891.2 F/g at 1 A/g, 721 F/g at 50 A/g.	89.3% after 20,000 cycles	23.1 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 712 W kg <sup>-1</sup> , 13.5 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 14.7 kW kg <sup>-1</sup> .
1	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> nanowires	358 F/g at 0.5 A/g, 325 F/g at 10 A/g.	86.3% after 5,000 cycles	13.6 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 153 W kg <sup>-1</sup> , 13.1 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 1.88 kW kg <sup>-1</sup> .
2	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> arrays on carbon nanotube foam	614 C/g at 0.5 A/g, 425 C/g at 10 A/g.	none	13.3 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 612 W kg <sup>-1</sup> , 6.1 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 7.2 kW kg <sup>-1</sup> .
3	Flower-like Co(OH) <sub>2</sub>	429 F/g at 1 A/g, 337 F/g at 10 A/g.	>80% after 4,000 cycles	22 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> , 9 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 15.9 kW kg <sup>-1</sup> .
4	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> /graph ene	693.8 F/g at 2 A/g, 506.2 F/g at 32 A/g.	91.9% after 3,000 cycles	19.3 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 187.5 W kg <sup>-1</sup> , 16.7 Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> at 3,000 W kg <sup>-1</sup> .
5	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> nanosheets	604 F/g at 5 mV/s, 454 F/g at 50 mV/s.	76% after 500 cycles	none
6	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> sheets	885 F/g at 1 A/g, 699 F/g at 10 A/g.	91% after 1,500 cycles	none
7	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> nanocone	562 F/g at 2 A/g, 377 F/g at 32 A/g.	97% after 5,000 cycles	none
8	Co@Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> core-shell structure	525 F/g at 0.5 A/g, 396 F/g at 2 A/g.	81.5% after 3,000 cycles	none
9	Graphene/Co( OH) <sub>2</sub>	474 F/g at 1 A/g, 300 F/g at 10 A/g.	90% after 1,000 cycles	none
10	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> on nickel foam	3.17 F/cm <sup>2</sup> at 5 mA/cm <sup>2</sup> .	303% after 2,000 cycles	none
11	Co(OH) <sub>2</sub> nanowires	1.44 F/cm <sup>2</sup> at 1 mA/cm <sup>2</sup> , 0.99 F/cm <sup>2</sup> at 10 mA/cm <sup>2</sup> .	93.6% after 5,000 cycles	none

Table S1. Electrochemical performances of  $Co(OH)_2$  based electrodes from recent reports.

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