

**One-Step Synthesis of Flower-Like Bi₂O₃/Bi₂Se₃ Nanoarchitectures
and NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se Nanoparticles with Appealing Rate Capability
for Constructing High-Energy and Long-Cycle-Life Asymmetric
Aqueous Batteries**

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Calculations:

(1) The specific capacity (Q) and specific capacitance (C) of the Bi₂O₃/Bi₂Se₃ NFs or NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs on graphite substrate electrode calculated from GCD curves are obtained according to the following equation:

$$Q = \frac{I\Delta t}{\Delta V}; C = \frac{I\Delta t}{m\Delta V}$$

where I is the discharge current, Δt is the discharge time in GV test, m is the active material mass, and ΔV is the voltage window.

(2) The specific capacitance of the Bi₂O₃/Bi₂Se₃ NFs//NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs asymmetric aqueous battery (AAB) device can be got in accordance with the following equation:

$$C_{device} = \frac{I\Delta t}{M\Delta V}$$

Herein, I is the discharge current, Δt is the discharge time in GCD test, M is the total mass of both positive and negative electrodes, and ΔV is the voltage window of the device.

(3) Methods to calculate the energy and power density of the ASC device:

$$E = \frac{1}{2} C_{device} \Delta V^2; P = \frac{E}{t}$$

Here, C_{device} is the specific capacitance of the device, ΔV is the potential window, and t is the discharge time.

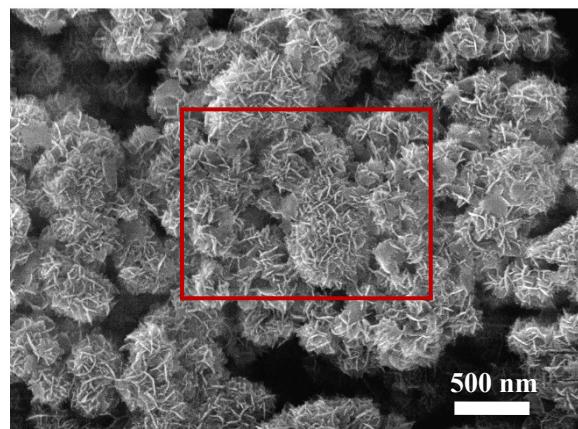


Fig. S1. SEM image of the obtained $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ NFs.

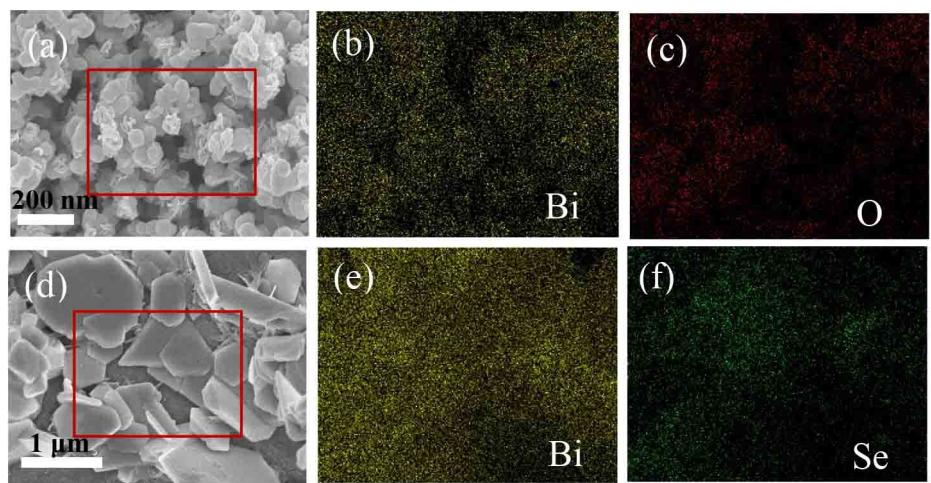


Fig. S2. The elemental mapping of the Bi_2O_3 (a-c) and Bi_2Se_3 sample (d-f).

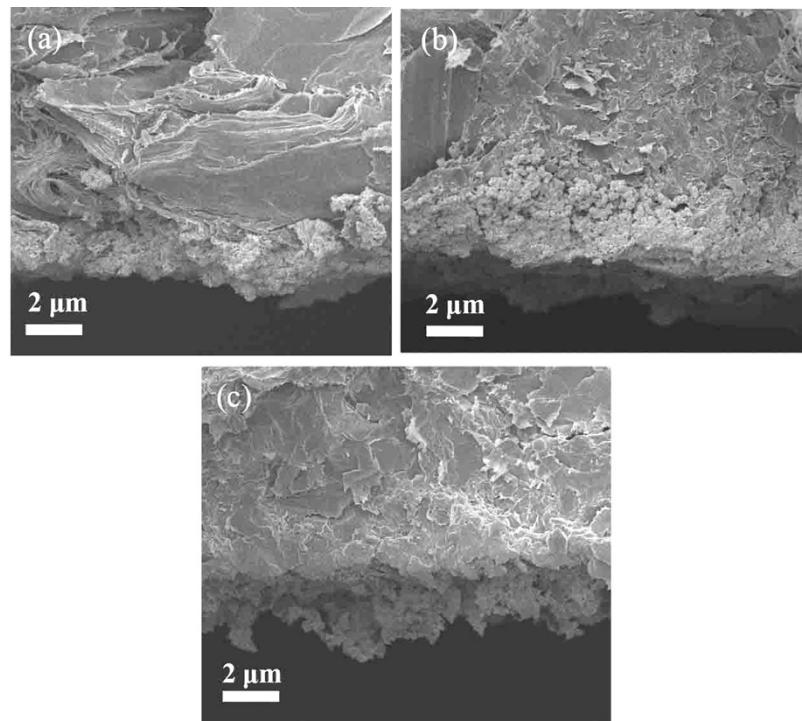


Fig. S3. Low-resolution cross-section SEM images of the Bi_2O_3 (a), Bi_2Se_3 (b) and $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ (c).

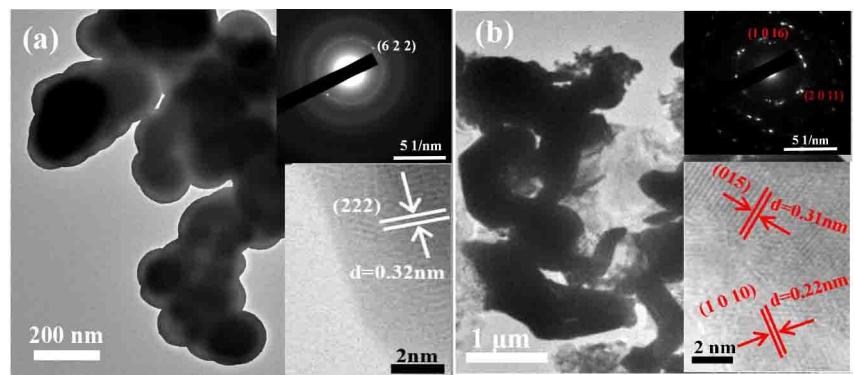


Fig. S4. The typical TEM images of the Bi₂O₃ (a) and Bi₂Se₃ (b) with the insets showing the corresponding SAED patterns and HRTEM images.

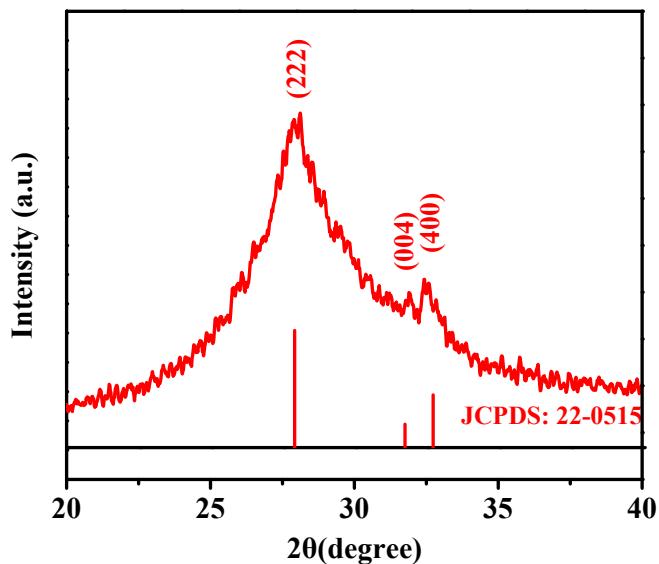


Fig. S5. Local-magnification XRD pattern of Bi_2O_3 NSs.

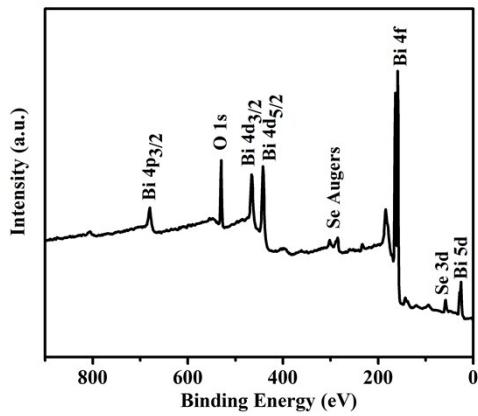


Fig. S6. XPS survey spectrum of $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ NFs.

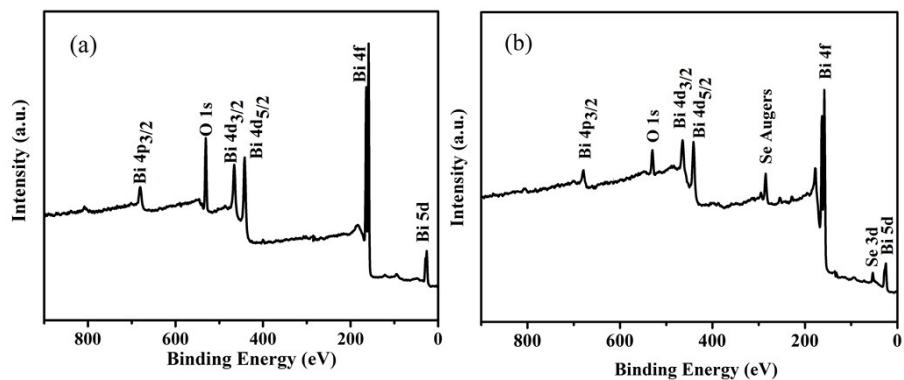


Fig. S7. XPS survey spectrum of the pristine Bi_2O_3 (a) and Bi_2Se_3 (b) products .

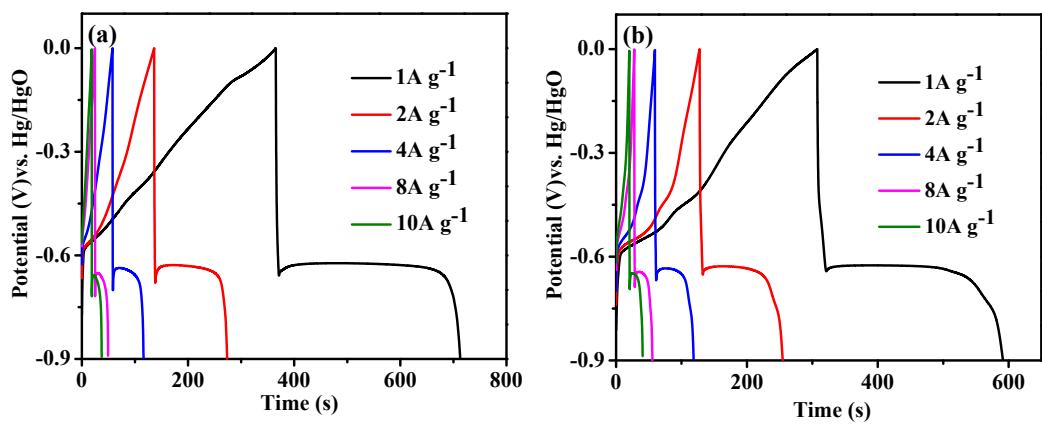


Fig. S8. GCD profiles at different current densities of the Bi_2O_3 NSs (a) and Bi_2Se_3 NSs (b) electrode

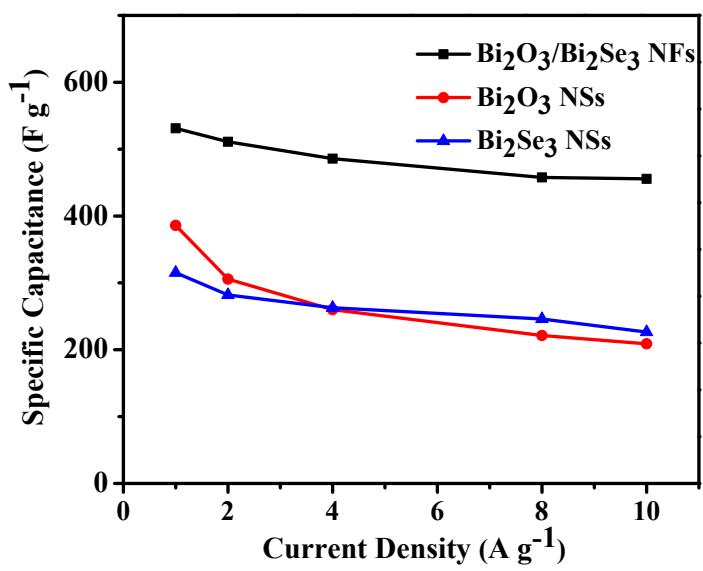


Fig. S9. specific capacitance values of the Bi_2O_3 NSs, $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ NFs and Bi_2Se_3 NSs electrode versus different current densities

Table S1. Comparison of the electrochemical properties of the $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ NFs with previously reported negative electrode materials.

Material	Fabrication method	current collector	Specific capacitance or capacity	Rate performance	Reference
Bi_2O_3	Hydrothermal	Ni foam	447 F g^{-1} (2 A g^{-1})	260 F g^{-1} (10 A g^{-1})	S1
		Polyamide			
FeOOH	Electrodeposition	Nanofiber Film	315 F g^{-1} (0.5 A g^{-1})	194 F g^{-1} (10 A g^{-1})	S2
Bi_2S_3	Hydrothermal and calcination	S-NCNF	466 F g^{-1} (1 A g^{-1})	299 F g^{-1} (8 A g^{-1})	S3
Bi_2O_3	Room-temperature wet chemical method.	Ni foam	155 mAh g^{-1} (0.4 A g^{-1})	58 mAh g^{-1} (1.8 A g^{-1})	S4
Fe ₂ O ₃	Hydrothermal	Ni foam	158.9 mAh g^{-1} (1 A g^{-1})	32.8 mAh g^{-1} (10 A g^{-1})	S5
WO ₃	Calcination	GCE	508 F g^{-1} (1 A g^{-1})	332.2 F g^{-1} (20 A g^{-1})	S6
MoS ₂	Hydrothermal	RCF	225 F g^{-1} (0.5 A g^{-1})	106 F g^{-1} (5 A g^{-1})	S7
ZnFe ₂ O ₄	Calcination	Ni foam	58.7 mAh g^{-1} (1 A g^{-1})	50.2 mAh g^{-1} (1 A g^{-1})	S8
Fe ₃ O ₄	Hydrothermal and calcination	Ni foam	379.8 F g^{-1} (2 A g^{-1})	272.2 F g^{-1} (10 A g^{-1})	S9
Fe ₂ O ₃	Hydrothermal	Ni foam	269 mAh g^{-1} (0.3 A g^{-1})	67.3 mAh g^{-1} (12.3 A g^{-1})	S10
$\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}$	Solvothermal	Graphite substrate	132.7 mAh g^{-1} (531 F g^{-1}) at 1 A g^{-1}	113.8 mAh g^{-1} (455 F g^{-1}) at 10 A g^{-1}	In this work

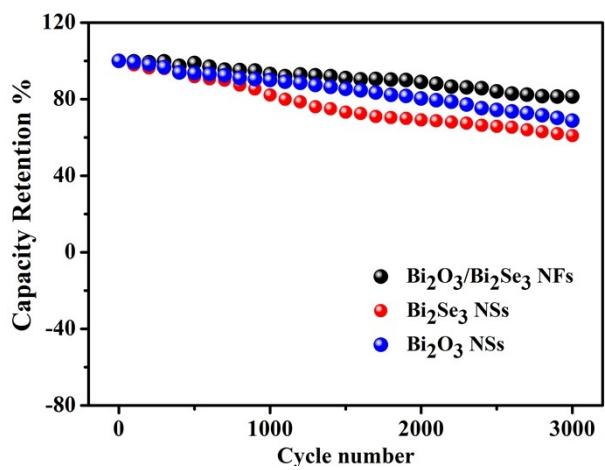


Fig. S10. Cyclic stability of the Bi₂O₃/Bi₂Se₃ NFs Bi₂O₃ NSs and Bi₂Se₃ NSs negative electrode materials over 3000 cycles at 8 A g⁻¹.

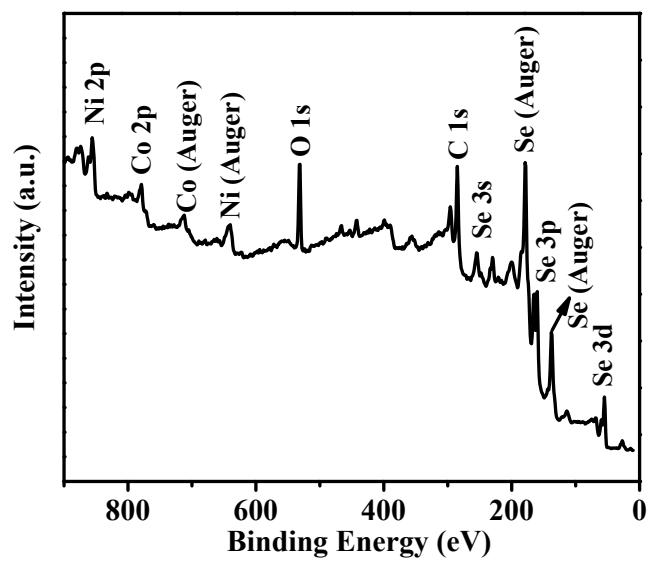


Fig. S11. XPS survey spectrum of the of the NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs.

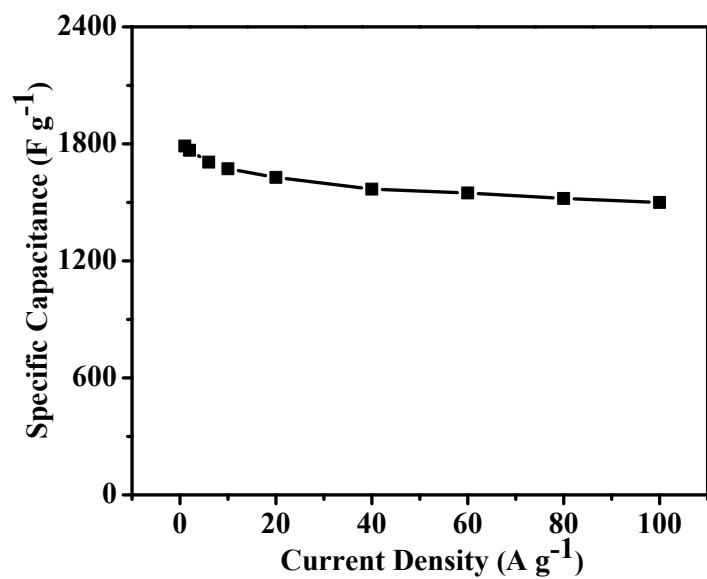


Fig. S12. Specific capacitance of the NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs as a function of current densities

Table S2. Electrochemical performances comparison of the CoNiSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs with other Ni-Co compound based positive electrodes fabricated by different methods.

Material	Fabrication method	current collector	Specific capacitance or capacity	Rate performance	Reference
(Ni,Co)Se ₂ /NiCo-LDH	Calcination and electrodeposition	Carbon substrate	170 mAh g ⁻¹ (2 A g ⁻¹) ¹⁾	120.7 mAh g ⁻¹ (20 A g ⁻¹)	S11
CoNi-MOF	Hydrothermal and calcination	Ni foam	1044 F g ⁻¹ (2 A g ⁻¹)	569 F g ⁻¹ (32 A g ⁻¹)	S12
CoNi ₂ S ₄	Chemical deposition	Ni foam	1530 F g ⁻¹ (1 A g ⁻¹)	1346 F g ⁻¹ (8 A g ⁻¹)	S13
NiCo ₂ O ₄ /CNT	Calcination	Ni foam	1596 F g ⁻¹ (1 A g ⁻¹)	1406 F g ⁻¹ (10 A g ⁻¹)	S14
Ni ₃ S ₂	Hydrothermal	Ni foam	70 mAh g ⁻¹ (2mA cm ⁻²)	-----	S15
CoNiSe ₂	Solvothermal and calcination	Ni foam	750 F g ⁻¹ (1 A g ⁻¹)	660 F g ⁻¹ (20 A g ⁻¹)	S16
NiSe ₂	Plasma-exfoliation	Ni foam	466 F g ⁻¹ (3 A g ⁻¹)	328 F g ⁻¹ (20 A g ⁻¹)	S17
NiCo ₂ O ₄	Hydrothermal and calcination	Carbon cloth	1055 F g ⁻¹ (0.4 A g ⁻¹)	483 F g ⁻¹ (10 A g ⁻¹)	S18
Co ₃ O ₄ /Ni-based MOFs	Hydrothermal	Carbon cloth	209 mAh g ⁻¹ (2 A g ⁻¹) ¹⁾	~58 mAh g ⁻¹ (10 A g ⁻¹)	S19
Co ₃ O ₄ /Co(OH) ₂	Hydrothermal	polyethylene naphthalate	184.9 mAh g ⁻¹ (1 A g ⁻¹) ¹⁾	129.4 mAh g ⁻¹ (16 A g ⁻¹)	S20
NiCoSe ₂ /Ni _{0.85} Se	Electrodeposition	Graphite substrate	248.4 mAh g ⁻¹ (1788 F g ⁻¹) at 1 A g ⁻¹	208 mAh g ⁻¹ (1500 F g ⁻¹) at 100A g ⁻¹	In this work

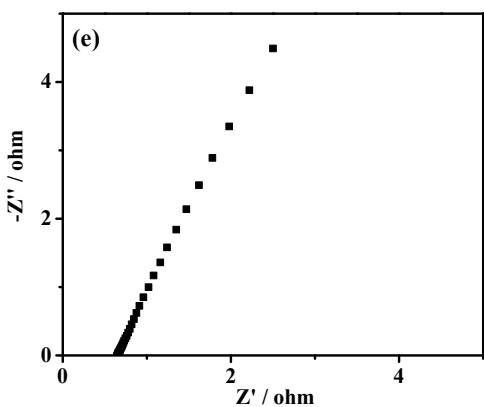


Fig. S13. Nyquist plot of the NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs hybrid electrode.

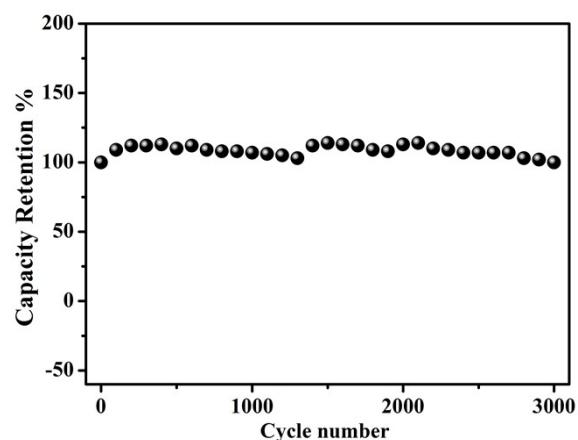


Fig. S14. Cyclic stability of the NiCoSe₂/Ni_{0.85}Se NPs hybrid positive electrode materials over 3000 cycles at 10 A g⁻¹.

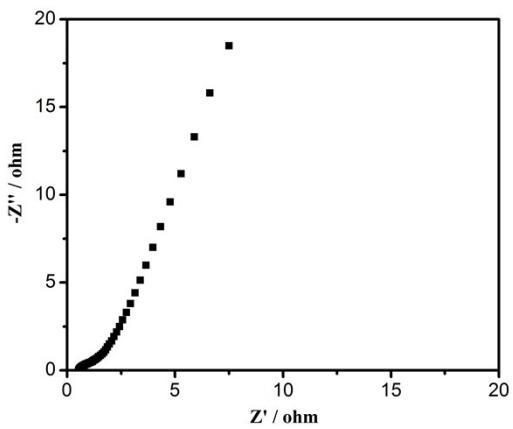


Fig. S15. The Nyquist plot of the device.

Table. S3 Cycle performance comparison of the assembled AAB with other state-of-the-art devices with various positive and negative electrodes.

ASC devices	Cell voltage (V)	Cycle performance	Reference
Fe ₂ O ₃ -P//MnO ₂	1.6	88% retention after 9000 cycles	S21
MnO ₂ //Fe ₂ O ₃	2.2	83% retention after 3000 cycles	S22
Co ₃ O ₄ /γ-Fe ₂ O ₃	1.7	80.1% retention after 5000 cycles	S23
Ni-Co-S-W/NF//AC/NF	1.8	91.7% retention after 6000 cycles	S24
MnO ₂ /CNT//CNT/PPy	1.5	80% retention after 5000 cycles	S25
Ni-Co-N/GP//GOP	1.5	95% retention after 5000 cycles	S26
NF@NiO//FeOOH HSCs	1.7	84.7% retention after 10000 cycles	S27
ZnNiCo-P//PPD-rGOs	1.6	89% retention after 8000 cycles	S28
NiO–CuO//PGH	1.6	90.4% retention after 5000 cycles	S29
CC/H-Ni@Al-Co-S//graphene/CNT	1.8	90.6% retention after 10000 cycles	S30
Bi ₂ O ₃ /Bi ₂ Se ₃ //NiCoSe ₂ /Ni _{0.85} Se	1.6	91.5% retention after 10000 cycles	In this work

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