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## **Constructing anion vacancies riched MoSSe/G van der Waals heterostructures for high-performance Mg-Li hybrid-ion batteries**

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### **Experimental Details**

#### **Preparation of v-MoSSe/G**

242 mg of sodium molybdate dihydrate ( $\text{Na}_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\geq 99.5\%$ ) was completely dissolved in 30 mL of water to obtain the solution-A. 760 mg of dopamine hydrochloride (DOPA-HCl,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_2$ ,  $\geq 99.8\%$ ) was dispersed in 30 mL of water to obtain the solution-B. The liquid from solution-A was added drop by drop to solution-B and the whole process needed to stir. After that, 684 mg of thiourea ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{NS}$ ,  $\geq 99.0\%$ ) was dissolved in the above suspension solution and then transferred into a Teflon-lined autoclave (100 mL). The hydrothermal reaction was conducted at 200°C

for 30 h. After cooled down to room temperature, the solid products (MoS<sub>2</sub>-PDOPA) were washed by the water and absolute ethanol, and then dried at 60°C in vacuum. Finally, 120 mg of MoS<sub>2</sub>-PDOPA and 200 mg of selenium power (Se, ≥99.99%) were evenly mixed and annealed in a tube furnace at 900°C for 3 h under H<sub>2</sub>/Ar flow to obtain v-MoSSe/G.

### **Preparation of MoS<sub>2</sub>/G, v-MoS<sub>1.5</sub>Se<sub>0.5</sub>/G, and v-MoS<sub>0.6</sub>Se<sub>1.4</sub>/G**

MoS<sub>2</sub>/G was synthesized by directly thermal treatment of MoS<sub>2</sub>-PDOPA under 900°C for 3 h in H<sub>2</sub>/Ar flow. To survey the effect of different molar ratio of S:Se on electrochemical measurement of LMIBs, another two samples were synthesized under the same conditions as preparation of v-MoSSe/G. To synthesized the v-MoS<sub>1.5</sub>Se<sub>0.5</sub>/G, 120 mg of MoS<sub>2</sub>-PDOPA and 90 mg of selenium power were evenly mixed and annealed in a tube furnace at 900°C for 3 h under H<sub>2</sub>/Ar flow. Similarly, v-MoS<sub>0.6</sub>Se<sub>1.4</sub>/G was prepared by annealed the mixed 120 mg of MoS<sub>2</sub>-PDOPA and enough selenium power (360 mg) at 900°C for 3 h under H<sub>2</sub>/Ar flow.

### **Structure Characterizations**

XRD was recorded on a PANalytical X'Pert PRO with Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$ ) at 40 kV and 40 mA. The morphology was observed by SEM (Hitachi SU8010, 15 kV) and TEM (Tecnai G2 F30, 300 kV). Surface area was measured by the Micromeritics ASAP 2020. XPS and Raman spectra analyses were performed by using a spectrometer with Al K $\alpha$  radiation (Nepean, ON) and Renishaw INVIA.

### **Electrochemical Measurements**

A standard CR2025-type coin cell was used to measure all the electrochemical

performance of the electrodes. A microporous membrane (Celgard 2400) and a polished Mg plate were selected as separator and anode. The working electrode with the loading mass of  $1.0 \text{ mg cm}^{-2}$  contains the active material (80wt%), polyvinylidene difluoride (10wt%), and acetylene black (10wt%). The current collector was carbon fiber paper and the electrolyte contained all-phenyl complex (APC) (contains 2.133 g of  $\text{AlCl}_3$ , 16 mL of phenyl magnesium chloride ( $\text{MgPhCl}$ ), 1.696 g of  $\text{LiCl}$ , and 24 mL of anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (THF) for LMIBs. All the batteries were measured ranged from 0.2 V to 2.0 V versus  $\text{Mg}^{2+}/\text{Mg}$ . EIS was measured in a frequency between 0.1–100 kHz. GITT is measured by the Neware system, and all the batteries were performed for 5 min discharge and 20 min relaxing time at  $30 \text{ mA g}^{-1}$ . The  $D$  is calculated by Fick's second law:<sup>1,2</sup>

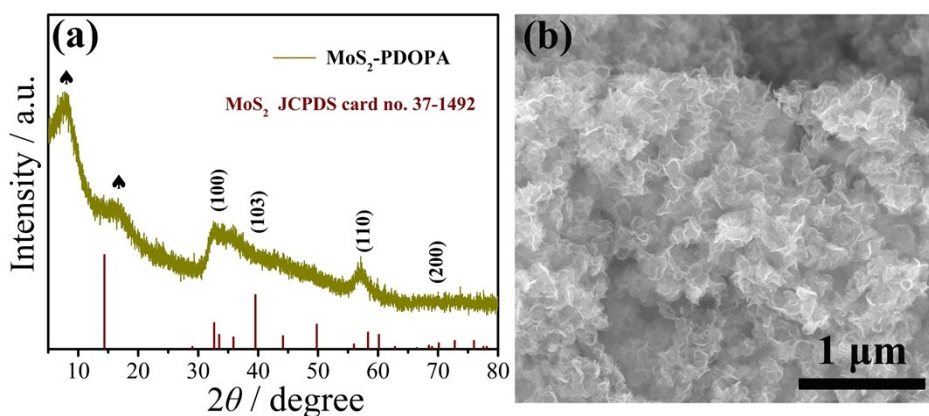
$$D = \frac{4}{\pi\tau} \left( \frac{m_B V_m}{M_B S} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\Delta E_s}{\Delta E_t} \right)^2 \quad (1)$$

where  $\Delta E_s$  is steady-state potential change by the current pulse.  $\Delta E_t$  represents the potential change during the constant current.  $\tau$ ,  $S$ ,  $M_B$ ,  $m_B$ , and  $V_m$  are relaxing time of the test, contact area of electrode/electrolyte, molar mass, the mass, and molar volume, respectively.

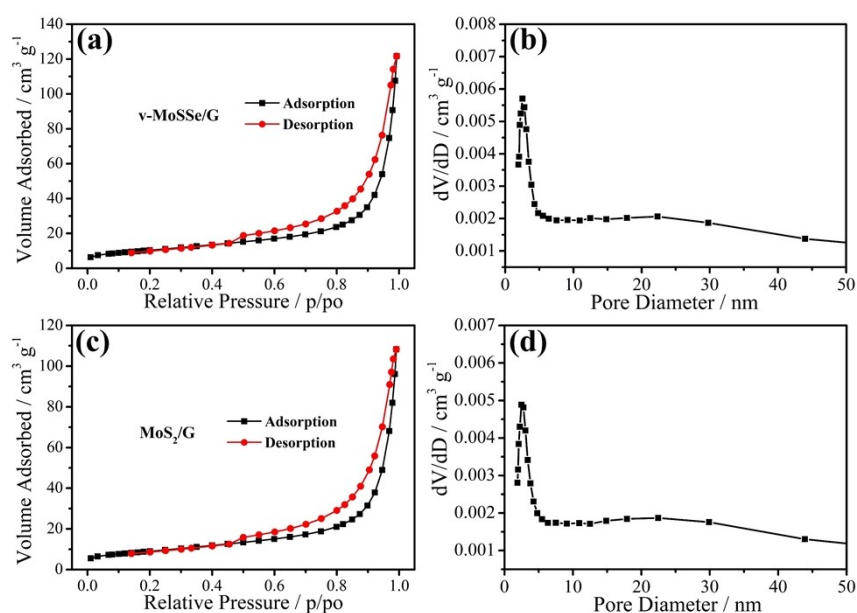
### Computational Details

Vienna *ab-initio* simulation package (VASP) was used to investigate the migration energy barriers and adsorption energy of all the samples. The gradient corrected exchange correlation interaction of electrons was simulated by the Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) functional under the projector augmented wave (PAW) method.<sup>3,4</sup> The cut-off energy, convergence criterion, and energy convergence are 400 eV, 0.05 eV/Å,

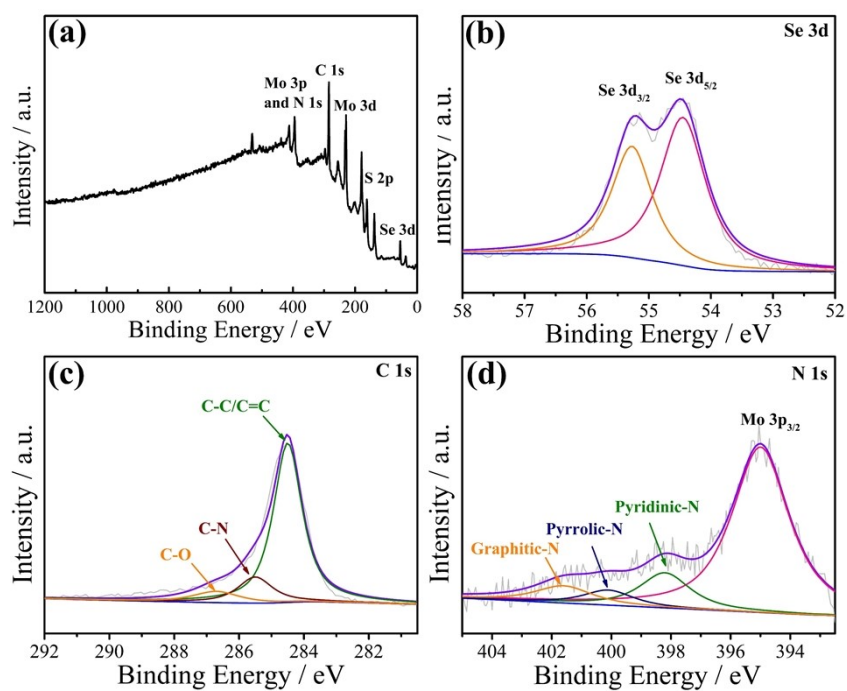
and  $10^{-4}$  eV, respectively. The  $\text{Mg}^{2+}/\text{Li}^{+}$  diffusion was using the climbing image nudged elastic band method (CI-NEB).<sup>5</sup> This work used the bilayer model with  $5 \times 2 \times 1$  supercell, sampled with  $1 \times 2 \times 1$  Monkhorst-Pack grid.<sup>6</sup> The adsorption energy ( $\Delta E_{\text{ad}}$ ) is calculated by the following equation:  $\Delta E_{\text{ad}} = (E_{\text{host+Li/Mg}} - E_{\text{host}} - E_{\text{Li/Mg}})$ , where  $E_{\text{host+Li/Mg}}$ ,  $E_{\text{host}}$ , and  $E_{\text{Li/Mg}}$  represent the energy of the Li/Mg atom intercalated the host materials, the host materials, and per Li or Mg atom, respectively.



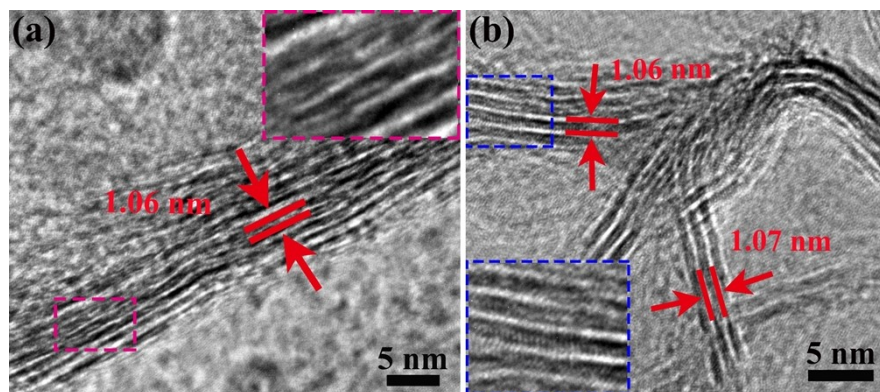
**Fig. S1** (a) XRD pattern and (b) SEM image of MoS<sub>2</sub>-PDOPA.



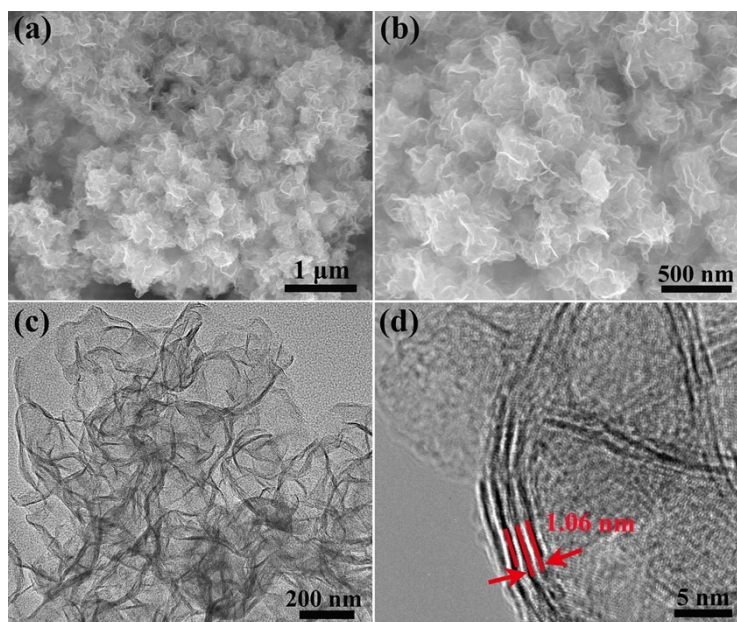
**Fig. S2** (a,c) Nitrogen adsorption and desorption isotherms and (b,d) the corresponding pore-size distribution plots of v-MoSSe/G and MoS<sub>2</sub>/G.



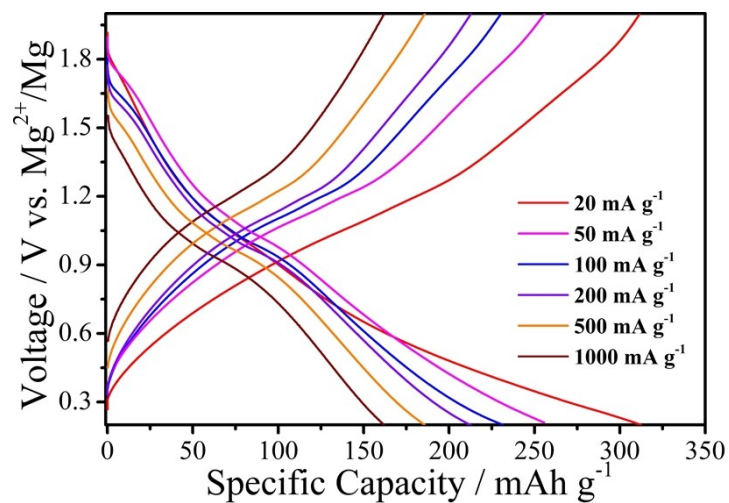
**Fig. S3** XPS spectra of (a) survey, (b) Se 3d, (c) C 1s, and (d) N 1s of v-MoSSe/G.



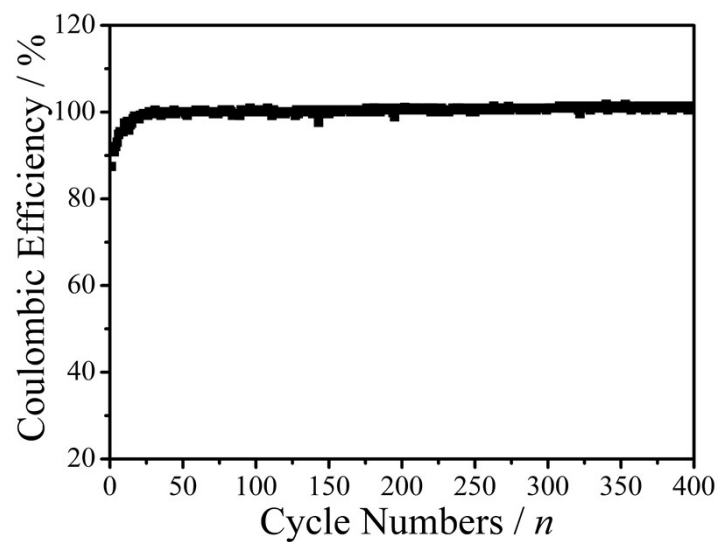
**Fig. S4** HRTEM images of v-MoSSe/G.



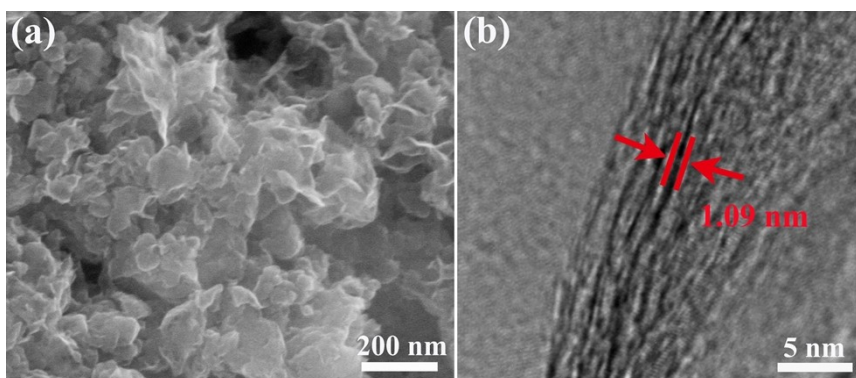
**Fig. S5** (a,b) SEM, (c) TEM, and (d) HRTEM images of MoS<sub>2</sub>/G.



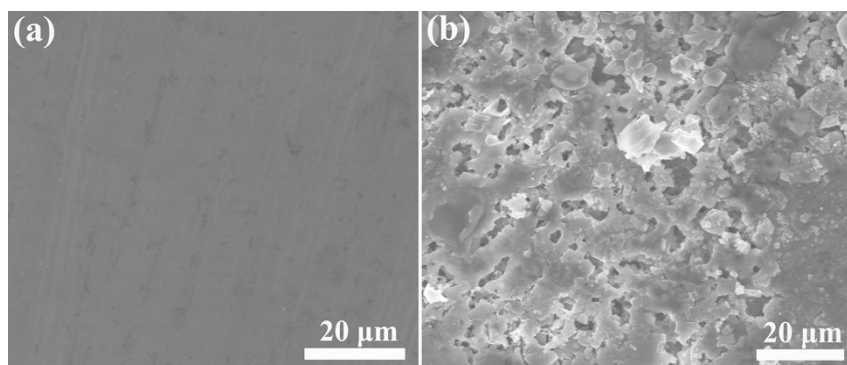
**Fig. S6** Charge/discharge curves of v-MoSSe/G at different current densities.



**Fig. S7** Coulombic efficiency of v-MoSSe/G for MIBs.

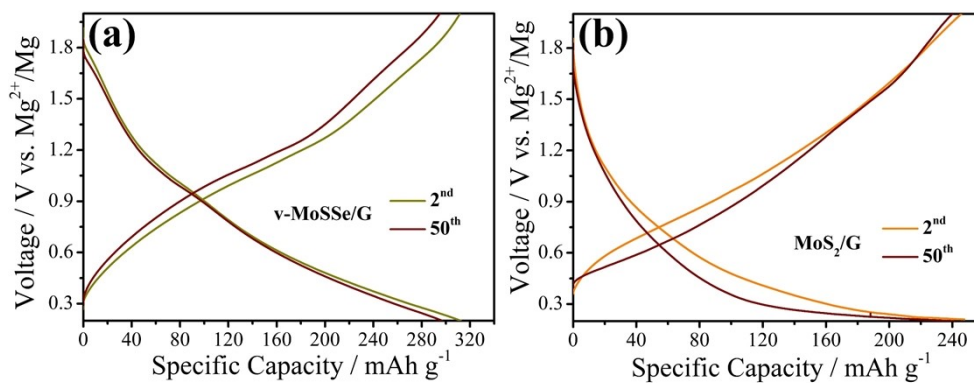


**Fig. S8** (a) SEM and (b) HRTEM images of v-MoSSe/G after 200 cycles discharge.

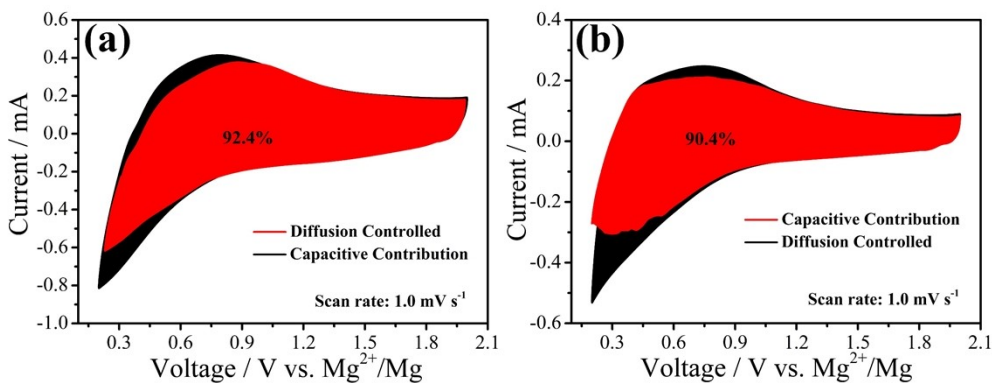


**Fig. S9** SEM images for the surface of (a) pristine and (b) after 200 cycles of Mg anodes.

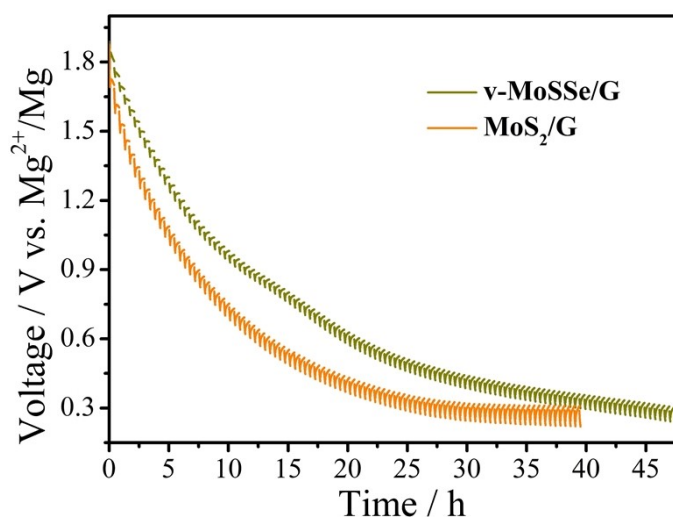




**Fig. S10** Galvanostatic charge/discharge curves of (a) v-MoSSe/G and (b) MoS<sub>2</sub>/G.

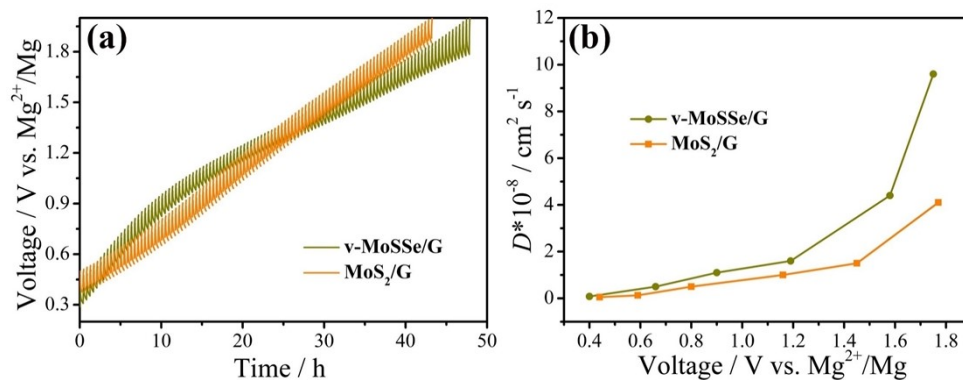


**Fig. S11** The capacitive and diffusion-controlled contributions of (a) v-MoSSe/G and (b) MoS<sub>2</sub>/G at the scan rate of 1.0 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.

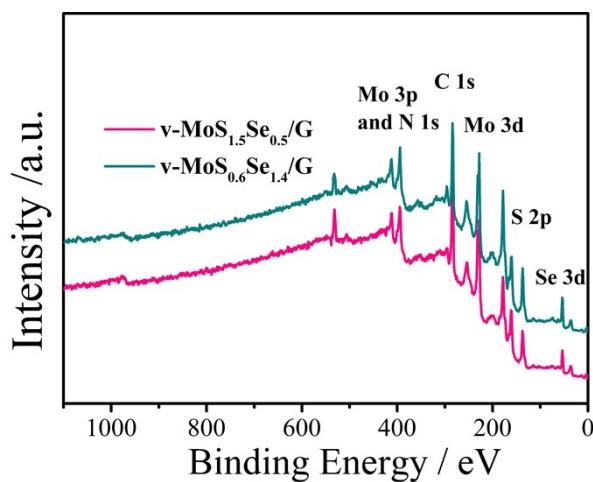


**Fig. S12** GITT profiles of the discharge process of v-MoSSe/G and MoS<sub>2</sub>/G.

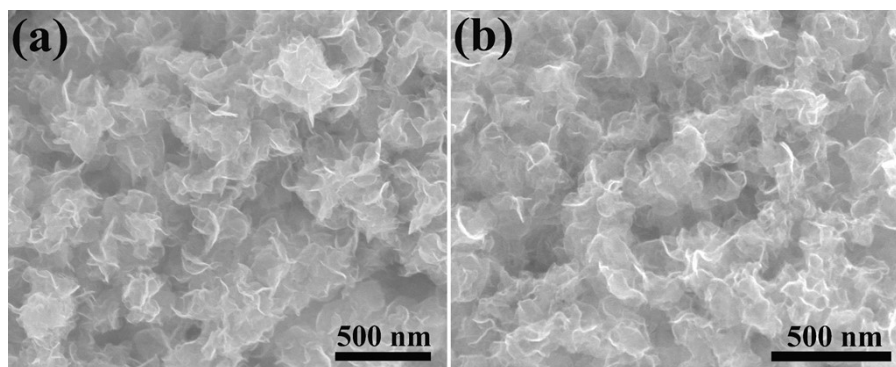




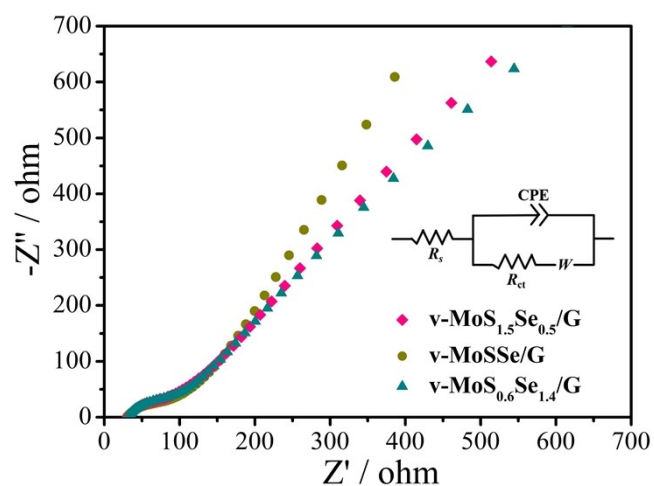
**Fig. S13** (a) GITT profiles of the charge process and (b) the corresponding ion diffusion coefficient of v-MoSSe/G and  $\text{MoS}_2/\text{G}$ .



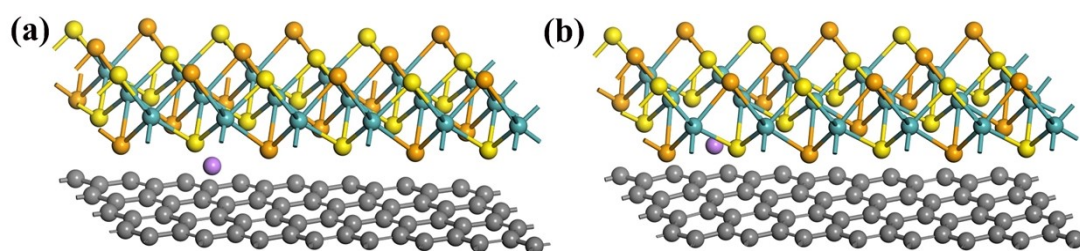
**Fig. S14** Survey XPS spectra of v-MoS<sub>1.5</sub>Se<sub>0.5</sub>/G and (b) v-MoS<sub>0.6</sub>Se<sub>1.4</sub>/G.



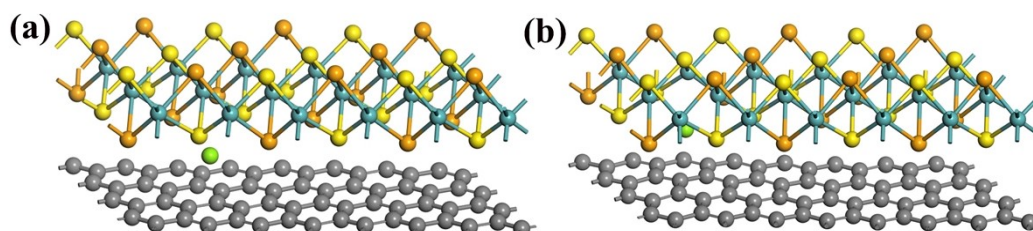
**Fig. S15** SEM images of (a) v-MoS<sub>1.5</sub>Se<sub>0.5</sub>/G and (b) v-MoS<sub>0.6</sub>Se<sub>1.4</sub>/G.



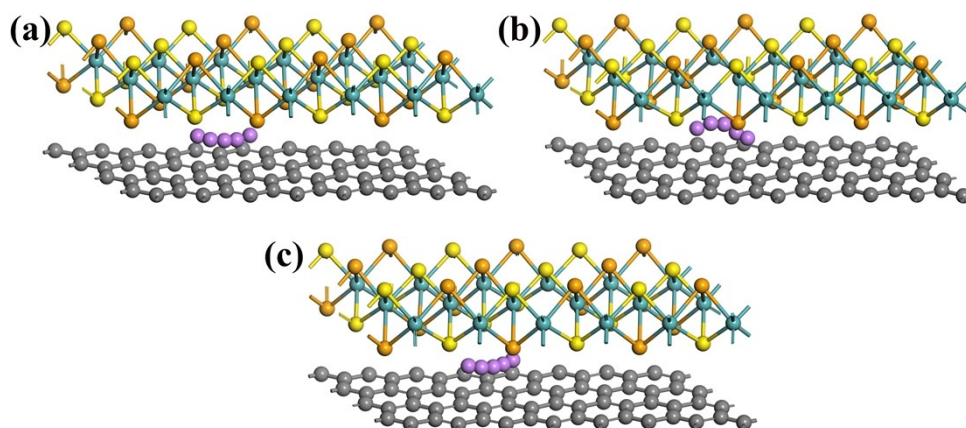
**Fig. S16** Nyquist plots of v-MoSSe/G, v-MoS<sub>0.6</sub>Se<sub>1.4</sub>/G, and v-MoS<sub>1.5</sub>Se<sub>0.5</sub>/G after 20 cycles.



**Fig. S17** Adsorption configurations of Li in (a) MoSSe/G and (b) 1Sev-MoSSe/G. Color code: Carbon (grey), sulfur (yellow), molybdenum (cyan), selenium (orange), and lithium (purple).

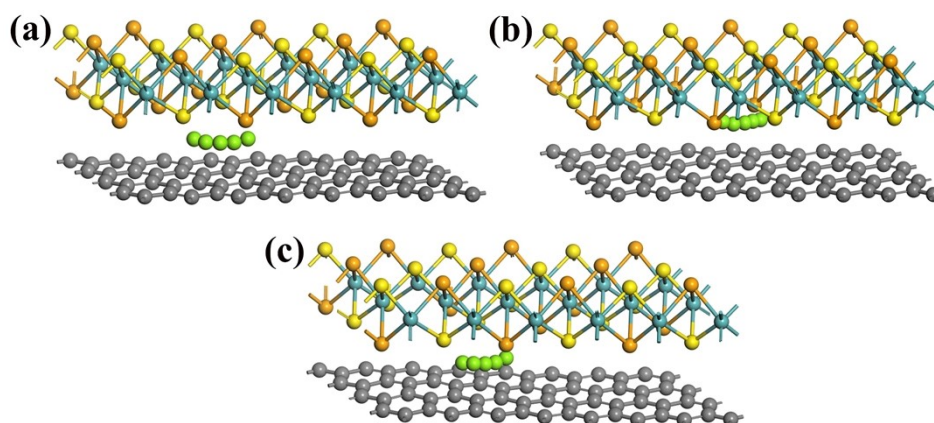


**Fig. S18** Adsorption configurations of Mg in (a) MoSSe/G and (b) 1Sev-MoSSe/G. Color code: Carbon (grey), sulfur (yellow), molybdenum (cyan), selenium (orange), and Magnesium (green).



**Fig. S19** Li diffusion paths in (a) MoSSe/G, (b) 1Sv-MoSSe/G, and (c) 1Sev-MoSSe/G.

Color code: Carbon (grey), sulfur (yellow), molybdenum (cyan), selenium (orange), and lithium (purple).



**Fig. S20** Mg diffusion paths in (a) MoSSe/G, (b) 1Sv-MoSSe/G, and (c) 1Sev-MoSSe/G.

Color code: Carbon (grey), sulfur (yellow), molybdenum (cyan), selenium (orange), and Magnesium (green).

**Table S1.** Comparison of electrochemical performance of v-MoSSe/G with other previously reported cathode materials for MLIBs.

Electrode material	Current Density (mA g <sup>-1</sup> )	Reversible Capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Cycle Numbers ( <i>n</i> )	Whether Mg <sup>2+</sup> /Li <sup>+</sup> Co-intercalation	Ref.
MoS <sub>2</sub> Nano Flowers	1000	107	2300	No	[7]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /G VH	20	260.8	200	Yes	[8]
	1000	145.8	2200		
MoSe <sub>2</sub> /C	200	89	100	No	[9]
V <sub>2</sub> MoO <sub>8</sub>	20	135	50	Yes	[10]
TiS <sub>2</sub>	80	160	400	No	[11]
Li <sub>3</sub> V <sub>2</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	100	135	200	No	[12]
Li <sub>4</sub> Ti <sub>5</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	60	~125	500	Yes	[13]
VS <sub>2</sub> -GO	90	200	100	No	[14]
VO <sub>2</sub>	20	154.9	100	No	[15]
LiCrTiO <sub>4</sub>	20	~125	30	No	[16]
V <sub>2</sub> C MXene	50	~110	480	Yes	[17]
Cu <sub>2</sub> Se	26	~110	30	No	[18]
Cu <sub>2</sub> Se/rGO	26	~65	100		
Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> T <sub>x</sub> /CNT	100	~80	500	No	[19]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /G	20	220.9	400	Yes	This work
	1000	126.9	3000		
v-MoSSe/G	20	299.2	400	Yes	This work
	1000	164.6	3000		

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