

Supporting Information

Enhanced electrocatalytic performance in dye-sensitized
solar cell via coupling CoSe₂@N-doped carbon and
carbon nanotubes

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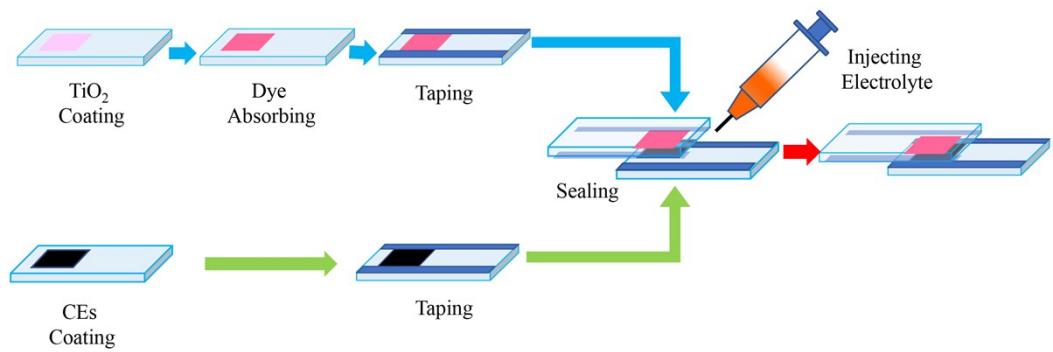


Fig. S1 Schematic illustration of the DSSCs assembly.

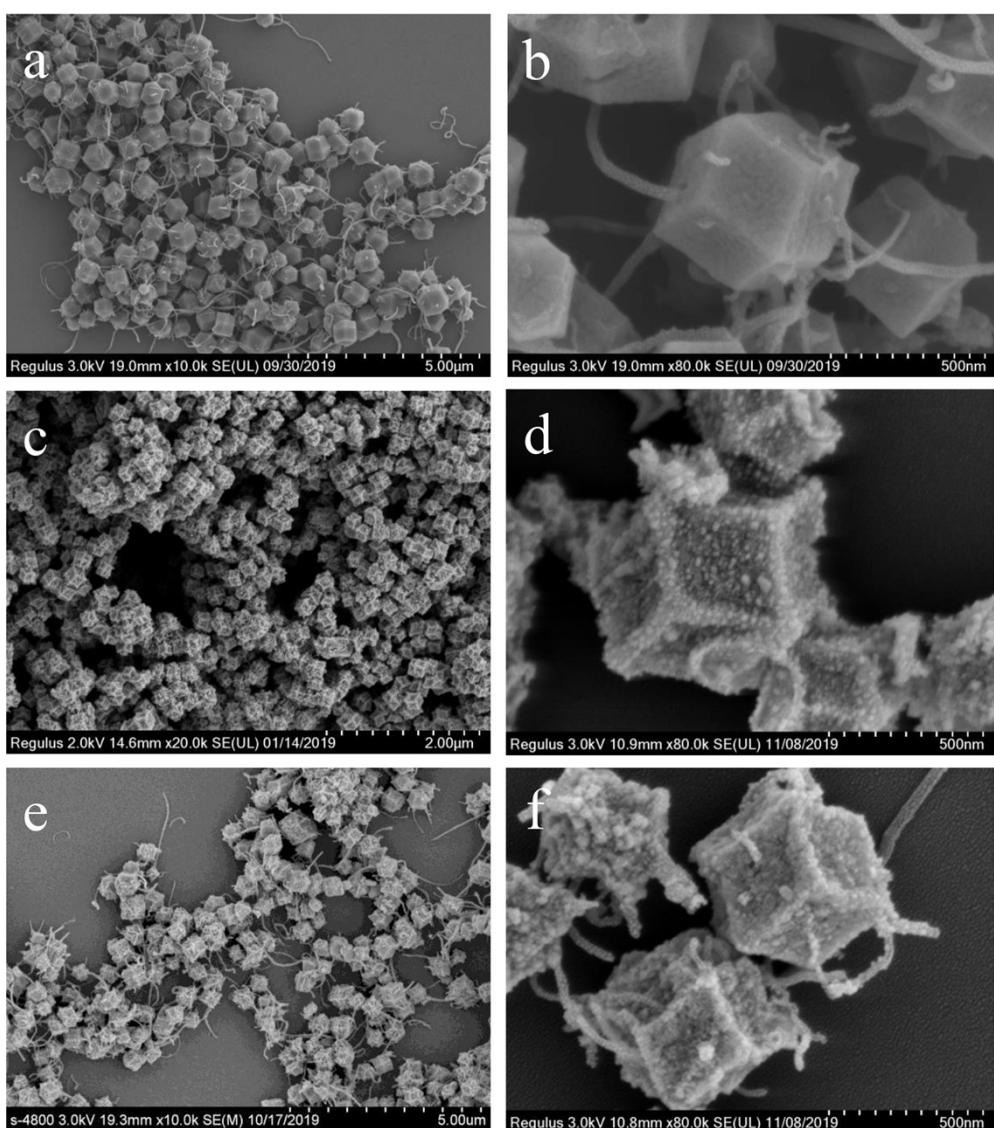


Fig. S2 SEM images of (a, b) ZIF-67-CNTs hybrids, (c, d) CoSe₂@NC, (e, f) CoSe₂@NC-CNTs hybrids.

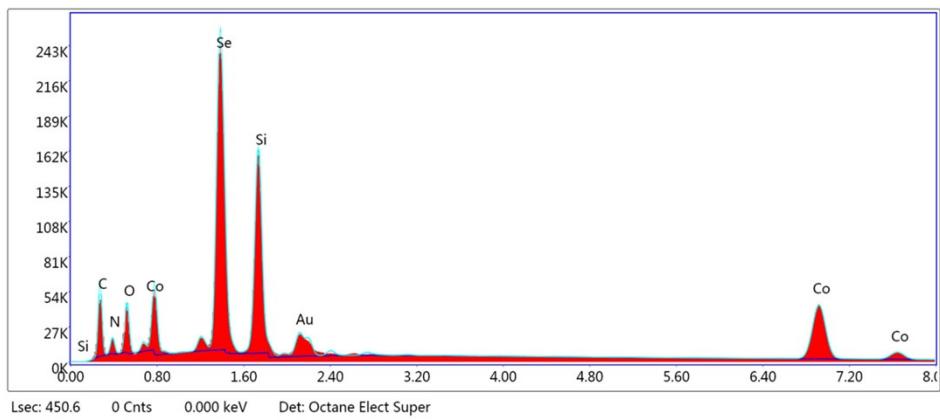


Fig. S3 EDX spectrum of CoSe₂@NC-CNTs hybrids.

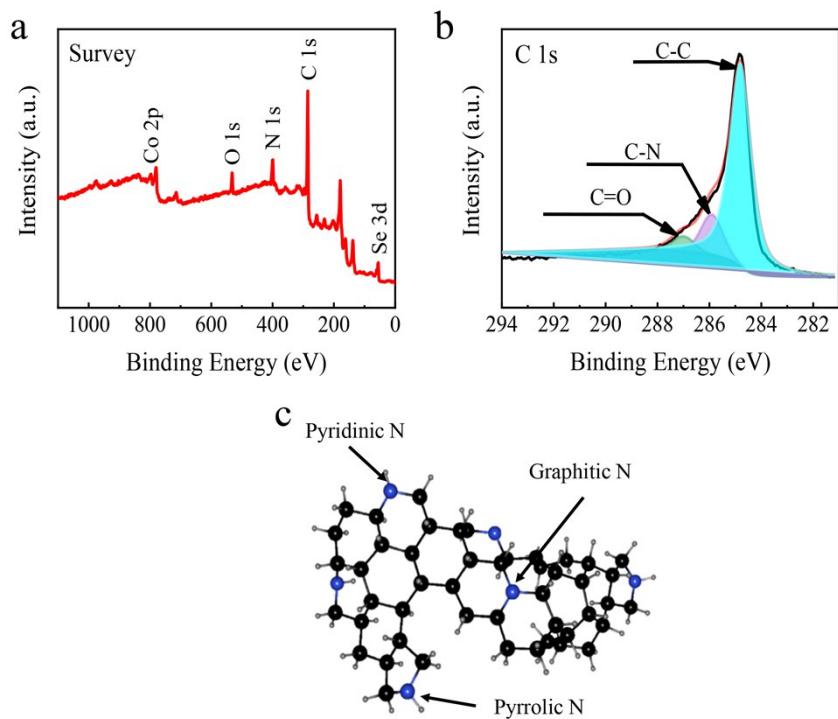


Fig. S4 (a) Full-survey-scan XPS spectrum of CoSe₂@NC-CNTs hybrids. (b) High-resolution XPS spectra of C. (c) Schematic illustration of the possible N-bonding configurations.

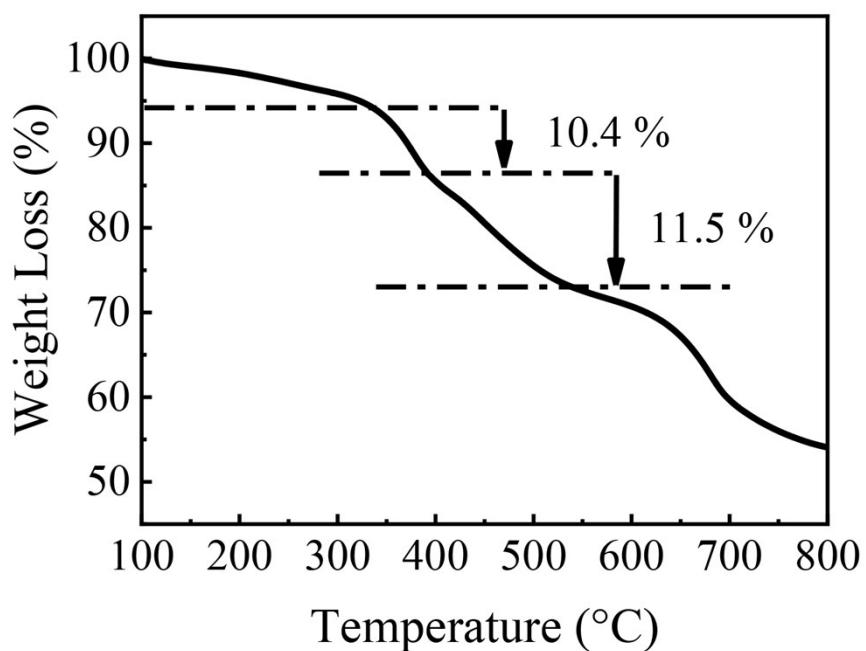


Fig. S5 Thermogravimetric analysis curves of $\text{CoSe}_2@\text{NC-CNTs}$ hybrids.

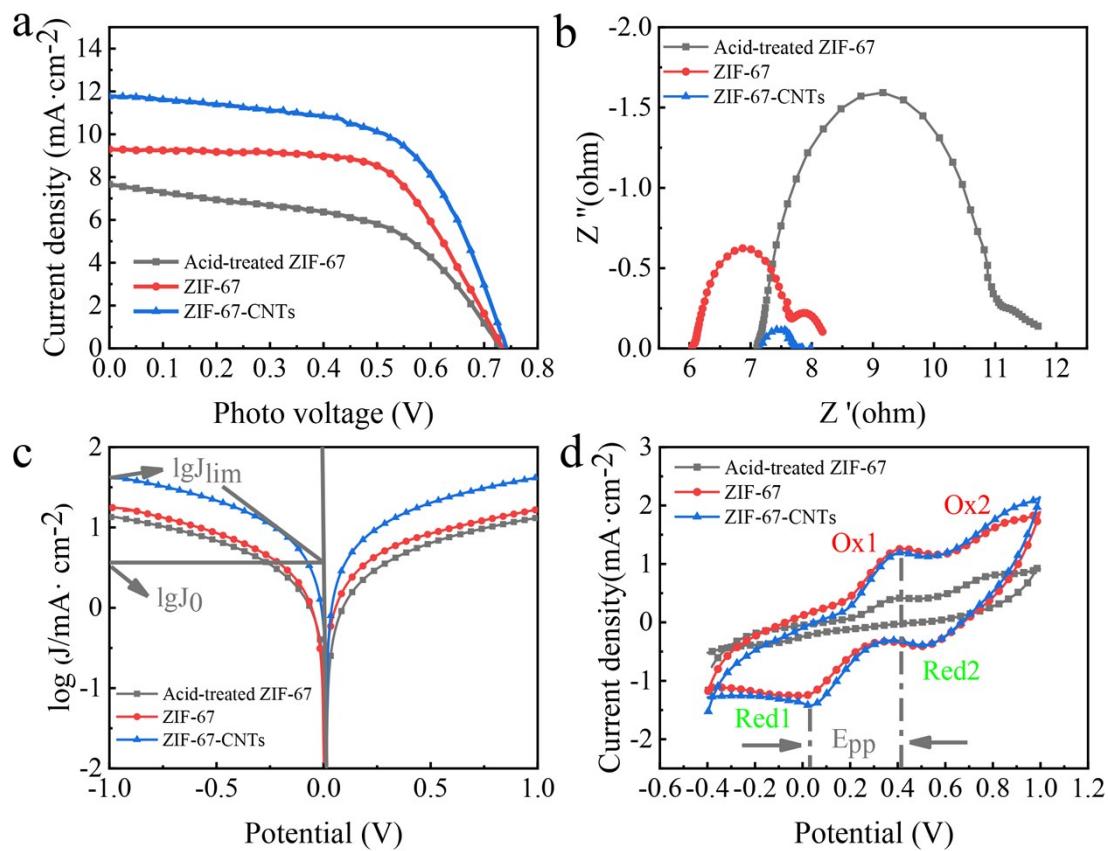


Fig. S6 (a) J-V curves, (b) EIS Nyquist plots, (c) Tafel polarization curves, and (d) CV curves of Acid-treated ZIF-67, ZIF-67, and ZIF-67-CNTs hybrids.

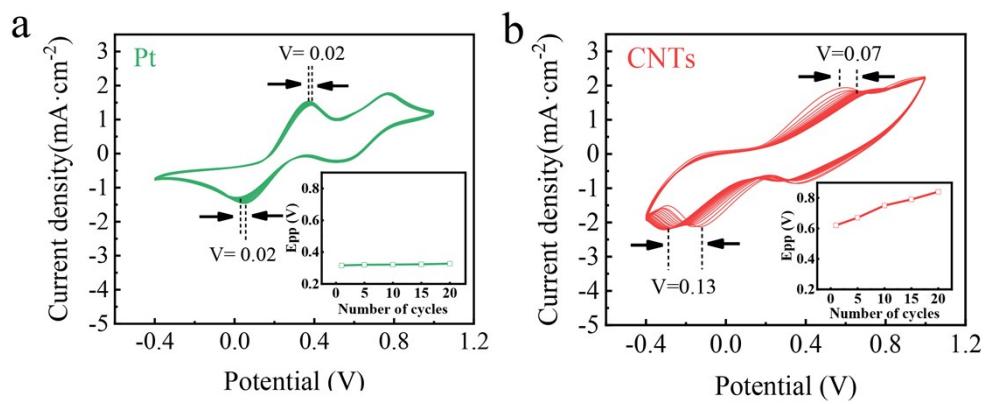


Fig. S7 20 cycles of CV curves to check the stabilization of (a) Pt, and (b) CNTs

Table S1. Related Parameters of Relevant References

CEs	J_{SC} (mA·cm ⁻²)	V_{OC} (V)	FF (%)	PCE (%)	Ref.
Ti ₁ /rGO	16.53	0.840	64.00	8.83	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> 2020 , 2000478
ZIF-ZnSe-NC-11 wt%	16.40	0.770	69.00	8.69	<i>J. Mater. Chem. A</i> 2018 , 6 (12), 5107
CoFeNiMo@N CNT-800-8-5	14.71	0.731	60.00	6.46	<i>Appl. Catal. B: Environ.</i> 280 <i>2021</i> , 119421
CoSe ₂ /NC	17.31	0.72	67.00	9.06	<i>ACS Sustain. Chem. Eng.</i> , 2019 , 7, 2784–2791
CoSe ₂ -160	17.04	0.74	66.20	8.38	<i>Electrochim. Acta</i> , 2015 , 168, 69–75.

Table S2. PCE Values and Relevant Parameters of Different CEs.

CEs	J_{sc} (mA · cm ⁻²)	V_{oc} (V)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
Acid-treated ZIF-67	7.64	0.74	52.14	2.93
ZIF-67	9.29	0.74	58.05	4.19
ZIF-67-CNTs	11.76	0.73	54.38	5.00

Table S3. Electrochemical Performance Parameters for Different CEs.

CEs	R _s ($\Omega \cdot \text{cm}^2$)	R _{ct} ($\Omega \cdot \text{cm}^2$)	lgJ ₀ (mA · cm ⁻²)	lgJ _{lim} (mA · cm ⁻²)	E _{pp} (V)
Acid-treated ZIF-67	7.10	2.46	1.13	0.16	> 0.70
ZIF-67	7.42	0.79	1.24	0.28	0.39
ZIF-67-CNTs	7.16	0.31	1.60	0.52	0.37

