

# **Polypyrrole coated cobalt sulfide as an effect host for sulfur cathode**

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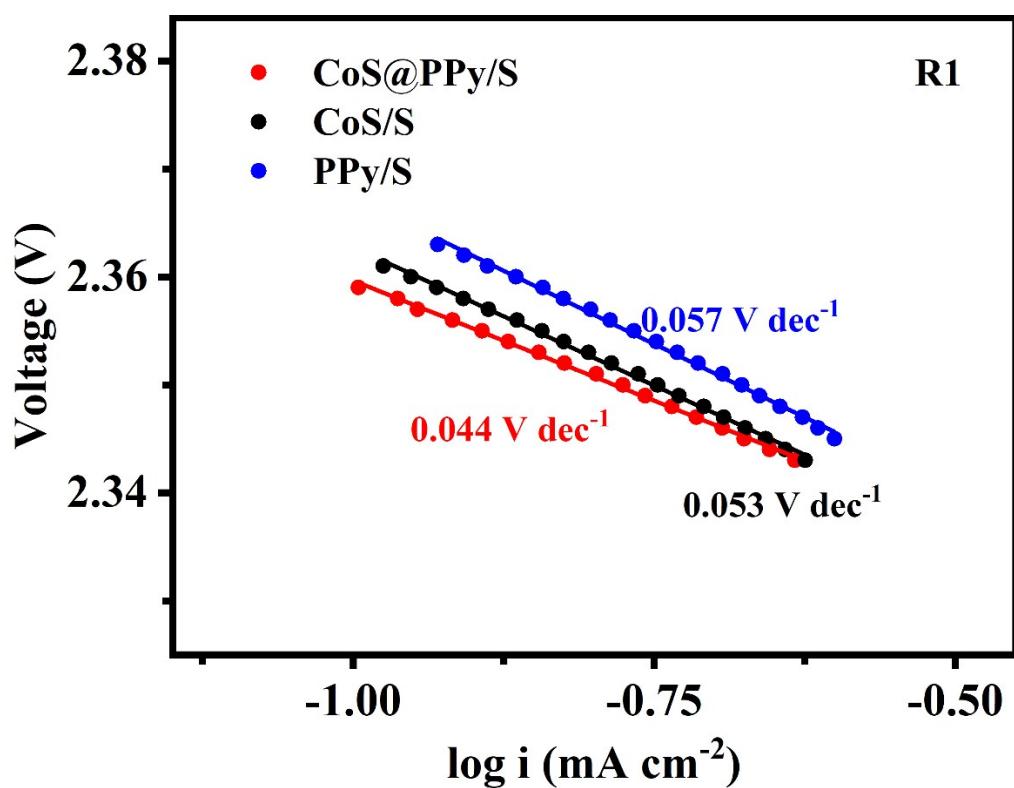
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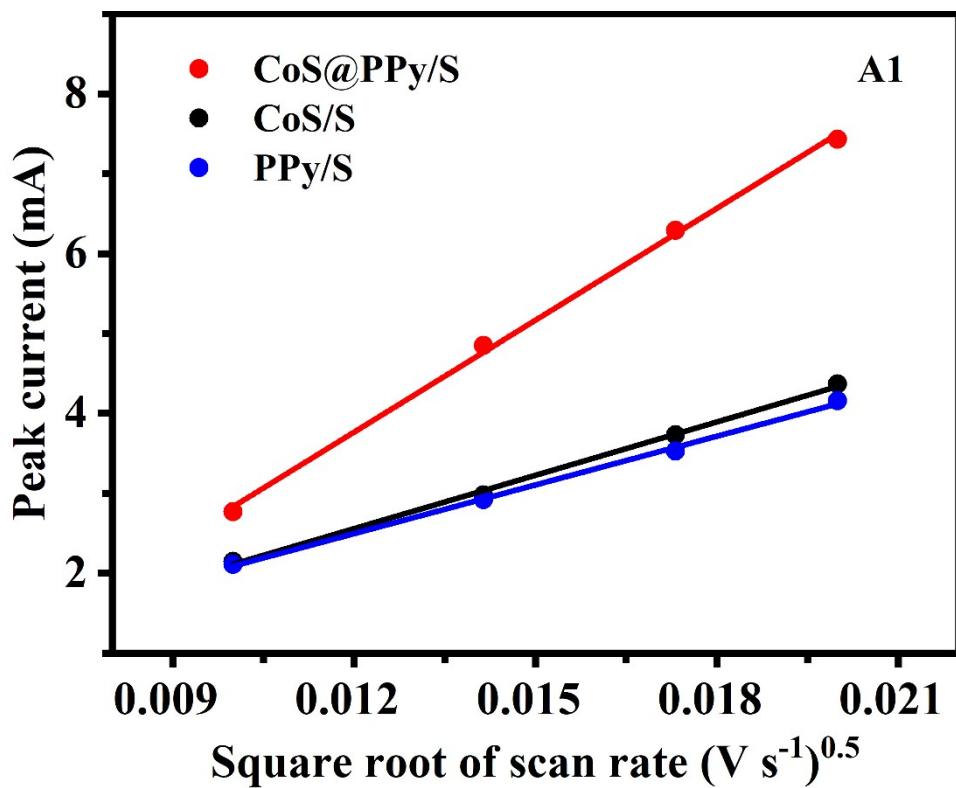
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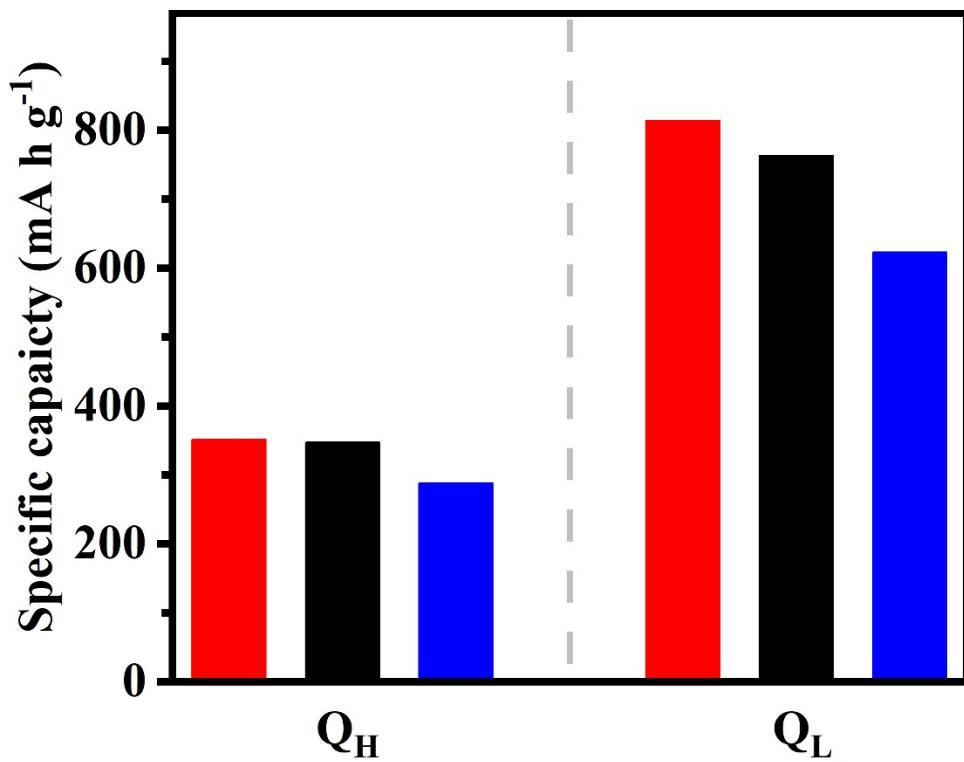
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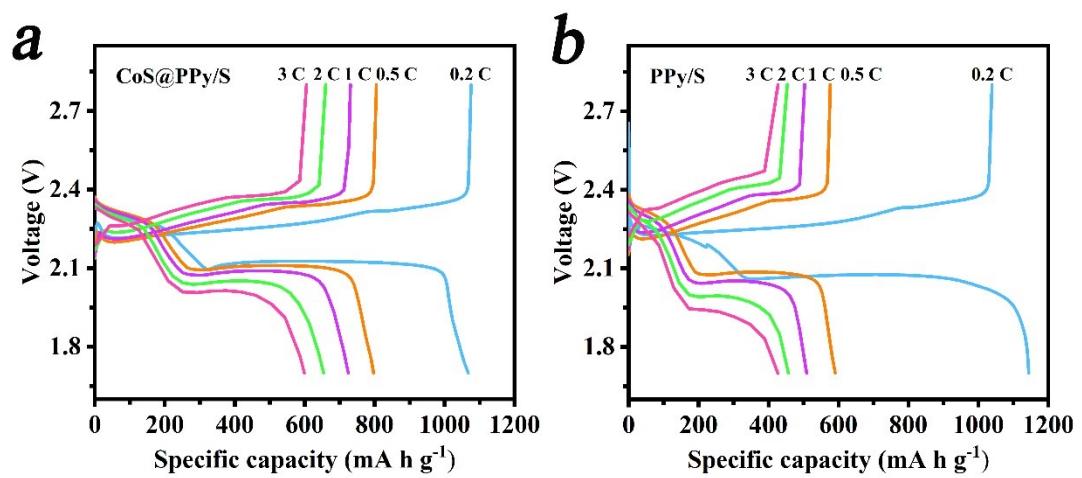
**Fig. S1.** Tafel plots calculated from the reduction peak R1.



**Fig. S2.** The peak current values of peak A1 versus the square root of scan rates of the CoS@PPy/S, CoS/S, and PPy/S electrodes.



**Fig. S3.** Values of  $Q_H$  and  $Q_L$  in different electrodes



**Fig. S4.** Galvanostatic charge-discharge curves of (a) CoS@PPy/S and (b) PPy/S electrodes under different C-rates.

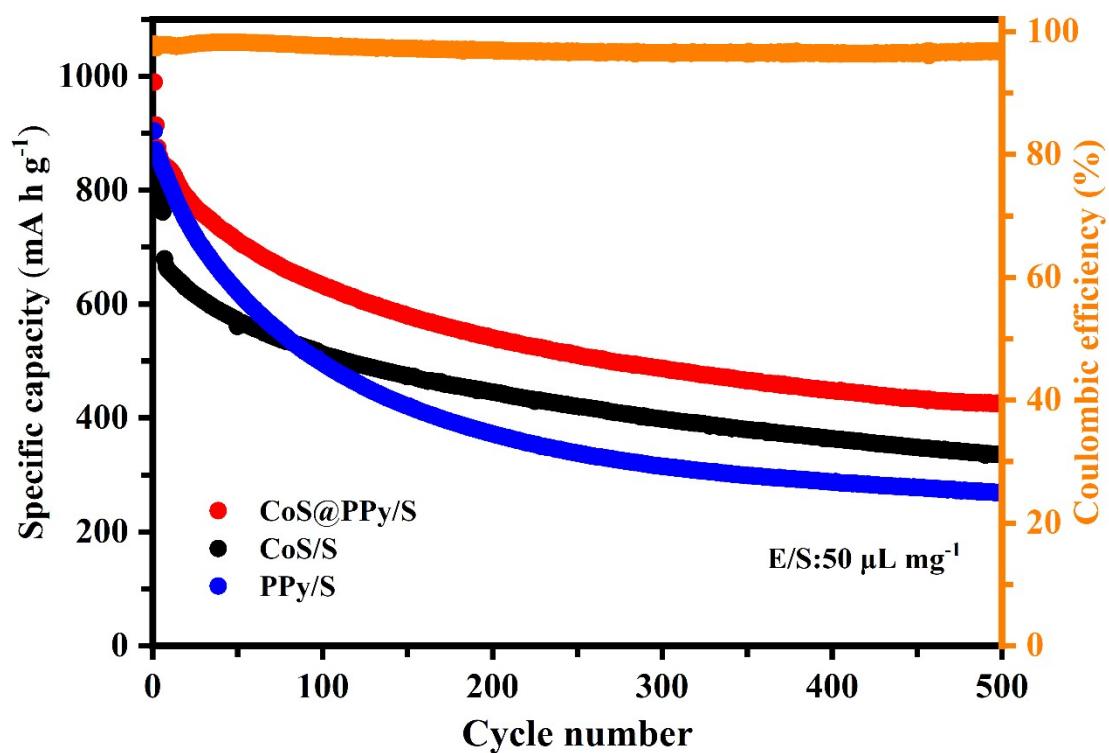
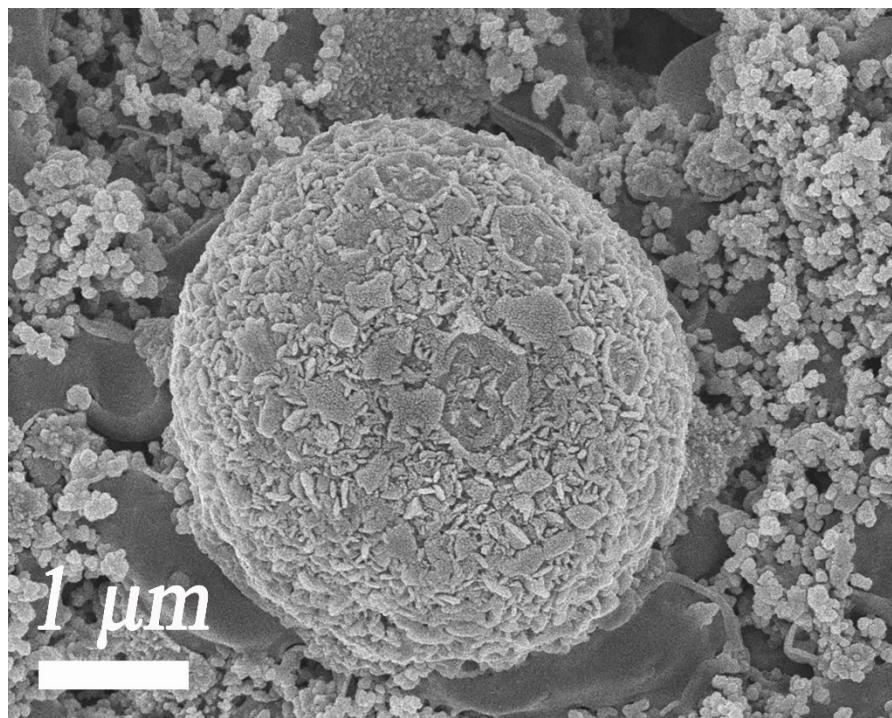


Fig. S5. Cycling performance of the three electrodes at 0.5 C.



**Fig. S6.** SEM images of the CoS@PPy/S cathodes after 100 cycles.

**Table S1.** Lithium-ion diffusion rates ( $D_{Li^+}$ ,  $cm^2 s^{-1}$ ) between CoS@PPy/S, CoS/S and PPy/S electrodes

Sample	A1	A2	C1	C2
CoS@PPy	$2.84 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.00 \times 10^{-7}$	$8.24 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.95 \times 10^{-8}$
CoS	$6.70 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.23 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.90 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.79 \times 10^{-8}$
PPy	$5.57 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.16 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.87 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.39 \times 10^{-8}$

**Table S2.** Comparison with the related works in literature

Sample	S Loading (mg cm <sup>-2</sup> )	Rate (C)	Specific Capacity (mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref
CoS@PPy/S	1.1	2/3	678/625	This work
CoS/G/S	1.2-1.8	1/1.5	542/501	<sup>1</sup>
CoMoS <sub>3</sub> /CoS/S	1.0	2	512	<sup>2</sup>
CoS/MWCNT-S	1.0-1.5	1/2	762/642	<sup>3</sup>
Hollow CoS/S	1.0-1.5	1/2	714/447	<sup>4</sup>
CoS@rGO/S	0.8-1.6	1/2	691/602	<sup>5</sup>
CoS <sub>2</sub> /Fe <sub>7</sub> S <sub>8</sub> /NG-PP	1.0-1.4	2/3	620/555	<sup>6</sup>
TiO <sub>2</sub> /S@PPy	2.0	1/2	586/402	<sup>7</sup>
PPy-AB/S	1.3-1.8	1/2	688/663	<sup>8</sup>
PPy/ZnO interlayer	1.3	1.5/2	501/404	<sup>9</sup>

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