## **Supporting Information**

## LDH-derived Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>Te<sub>2</sub> Dispersed in 3D Carbon Sheets as Separator Modifier to Enable Kinetics-Accelerated Lithium-Sulfur

## **Batteries**

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Fig. S1 The XRD pattern of CoNi-LDH@CS.



Fig. S2 (a-b) TEM and SEM images of  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS$ . (c-d) HRTEM image of  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS$  and lattice fringes of CS.



Fig. S3  $N_2$  adsorption-desorption isotherm and pore size distribution (inset) of CS.









**Fig. S6** The visual pictures of modified separator with Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>Te<sub>2</sub>@CS as coating layer (a) the original state, (b-c) folding and refolding state, (d) recovering state.



Fig. S7 The contact angles between electrolyte and (a) PP, (b) CS/PP and (c)  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$ .



Fig. S8 TEM images of NPCS



Fig. S9 TGA curve of S/NPCS.



**Fig. S10** CV profiles of cell with  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$  (a) and CS/PP (b) at various scan rates of 0.1-0.5 mV s<sup>-1</sup> and (c-e) the linear fitting curves of  $I_p$ - $\nu^{0.5}$  at peak A, B and C for cells with  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$  and CS/PP.



Fig. S11 The galvanostatic charge/discharge profiles of  $S//Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$  with different cycles at 0.5 C.



**Fig. S12** The discharge-charge profiles at various rates ranged from 0.2 to 7 C: (a) S//CS/PP and (b) S//PP.



Fig. S13 (a-b) The voltage profiles of the cell with  $S//Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$  at 0.2 C. (c) the voltage profiles of blank aluminum foil as electrode with  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$  at 350 mA.



Fig. S14 TEM images of M-Co $_{0.5}$ Ni $_{0.5}$ Te<sub>2</sub>@CS.



Fig. S15 the comparison of rate performance of cells with  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$  and  $M-Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}Te_2@CS/PP$ 



Fig. S16 The cycling stability of S//Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>Te<sub>2</sub>@CS/PP with sulfur loading of 5.55mg cm<sup>-2</sup>.

	Q1 ( mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Q2 ( mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Q2/Q1
РР	306	663	2.16
CS/PP	323	737	2.28
Co <sub>0.5</sub> Ni <sub>0.5</sub> Te <sub>2</sub> @CS/PP	360	934	2.59

Table S1. The values of Q1, Q2 and the ratios of Q2/Q1

Separator Modifier	Loading (mg cm <sup>-2</sup> )	C Rate	Cycle number	Capacity Rentention (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref
SV-VS <sub>2</sub>	0.50	0.2	150	921	[1]
NSPCF@CoS2	0.98	0.5	100	665	[2]
Oxygen-doped carbon/rGO	0.50	0.1	200	830	[3]
$Ta_4C_3$ - $Ta_2O_5$	0.81	1	500	457.1	[4]
TiB <sub>2</sub> @Graphene	0.88	0.5	300	850	[5]
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /RGO	0.60	0.3	200	563	[6]
Local 3D Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	0.43	2	300	548	[7]
NiCo <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /CNF	2.00	2	500	658	[8]
Ni/PCMS	0.32	0.5	200	623.5	[9]
Ni/NiO-C	0.54	1	500	484	[10]
CoN@NCNT	0.54	0.2	200	729.7	[11]
PC/MWCNT	0.51	0.5	200	659	[12]
α-MnO <sub>2</sub> @CNT	0.60	0.2	100	941	[13]
TiO <sub>2</sub> @SCNT	0.34	0.5	200	848	[14]
Co@N-CNTs	0.64	1	500	610	[15]
NbN@NC	0.30	2	400	780.6	[16]
Co <sub>0.5</sub> Ni <sub>0.5</sub> Te <sub>2</sub> @CS/PP	0.43	0.5	200	976.3	This
		2	500	784.8	work

**Table S2.** Comparison of Li-S battery performance assembled with different modified separators.

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