# **Supporting Information**

# A General Strategy to In Situ Construct CoSe<sub>2</sub>-MSe<sub>x</sub>@GA (M=Zn, Ni, Fe) Heterostructures for Effective Sodium Storage

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Figure S1. XRD patterns of prussian blue analog precursors.



Figure S2. XRD patterns of CoSe<sub>2</sub>@GA.



Figure S3. (a) XPS survey, (b) Co 2p, (c) Zn 2p and (d) Se 3d spectra of CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA.



Figure S4. (a) XPS survey, (b) Co 2p, (c) Ni 2p and (d) Se 3d spectra of CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA.



**Figure S5.** C 1s high resolution XPS of (a) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe@GA, (b) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and (c) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA.



**Figure S6.** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms and pore size distribution plots of CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA, and CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA.



Figure S7. SEM images of (a) Co-Co-PBAs, (b) CoSe<sub>2</sub> and (c) CoSe<sub>2</sub>@GA.



**Figure S8.** (a) CV curves of  $CoSe_2$  at 0.2 mV s<sup>-1</sup>, (b) The charge–discharge profiles of  $CoSe_2$  at 0.2 A g<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S9.** CV curves at 0.2 mV s<sup>-1</sup> of (a) FeSe<sub>2</sub>, (b) ZnSe, and (c) NiSe<sub>2</sub>; The charge–discharge profiles of (a) FeSe<sub>2</sub>, (b) ZnSe, and (c) NiSe<sub>2</sub> at the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> cycle.



Figure S10. CV curves at different scan rates (from 0.2 to 1 mV s<sup>-1</sup>) of (a)  $CoSe_2$ -ZnSe@GA, (b)  $CoSe_2$ -NiSe\_2@GA, (c)  $CoSe_2$ . Log(i) vs log(v) plots of (d)  $CoSe_2$ -ZnSe@GA, (e)  $CoSe_2$ -NiSe\_2@GA and (f)  $CoSe_2$ .



**Figure S11.** Pseudocapacitance contribution rate at different scan rate of (a) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and CoSe<sub>2</sub>, (b) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA and CoSe<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S12.** (a) GITT voltage curves and (b) Na<sup>+</sup> diffusion coefficients for CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and CoSe<sub>2</sub>. (c) GITT voltage curves and (d) Na<sup>+</sup> diffusion coefficients for CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA and CoSe<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S13. SEM imagines of (a) CoSe<sub>2</sub>, (b) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, (c) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and (d) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA after cycling.



**Figure S14.** SEM imagines before cycling of (a) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, (b) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and (c) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, SEM imagines after cycling of (d) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, (e) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and (f) CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA.

**Table S1**. Details of comparison of specific surface area and pore characteristics of CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA, and CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA

Samples	S <sub>BET</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	V <sub>t</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	V <sub>mic</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Average pore diameter (nm)	V <sub>meso</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -FeSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	12.941	0.14196	1.4196	48.27	1.2546
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -ZnSe@GA	26.020	0.1235	5.9782	18.98	0.1192
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -NiSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	10.461	0.068927	2.4034	26.357	0.062994

 $S_{BET}$ : Specific surface area by BET method,  $V_t$ : Total pore volume,  $V_{mic}$ : Micropore volume,  $V_{meso}$ : Mesopore volume.

Materials	Current density (A g <sup>-1</sup> )	Initial Discharge/charge Capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	ICE (%)	Reversible Capacity/Cycle number/Current density (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> /cycle/A g <sup>-1</sup> )	Refs.
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -FeSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	0.2	723.0/677.4	97.95	722.8/1000/1.0	
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -ZnSe@GA	0.2	637.4/532.2	83.5	649.6/1000/1.0	This work
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -NiSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	0.2	770.9/603.4	78.3	644.5/1000/1.0	
ZnSe/CoSe <sub>2</sub> @NPC NTs(II)-700	0.05	454.8	109.1	318.4/4000/2.0	1
Ni <sub>3</sub> Se <sub>4</sub> @CoSe <sub>2</sub> @C/CN Ts	0.1	595/324	54.5	243/600/1.0	2
ZnSe@CoSe <sub>2</sub> /NC	0.1	1071.1/820.9	76.6	293.3/1000/1.0	3
CoSe/MoSe <sub>2</sub> -C	0.2	532.0/394.4	74.14	320.9/10000/2.0	4
(ZnSe@CoSe@CN)	0.1	660/559	84.6	429.6/200/1.0 397.1/400/2.0	5
CoSe <sub>2</sub> /ZnSe	0.1	575/416	72.3	386.9/100/0.1	6
(CoNi)Se <sub>2</sub> /NC	0.1	602/492.5	81.8	450.5/500/1.0	7
FeSe <sub>2</sub> @CoSe <sub>2</sub> /FeSe <sub>2</sub>	0.1	_	93	542/100/0.2 529/1800/2	8
(Co,Fe) Se-NGC@PDA-20	0.1	618/376	59	306/200/1.0	9
MoSe <sub>2</sub> -Cu <sub>1.82</sub> Se@GA	0.2	672.4/503.9	75.6	444.8/1000/1.0	10
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -SnSe@CNF	0.1	798.4/437.8	54.8	248.7/1000/1.0	11

**Table S2.** Comparison of the electrochemical performance of existing bimetallic selenides reported in recent literatures.

**Table S3.** Comparison of typical EIS parameters of  $CoSe_2$ -FeSe2@GA,  $CoSe_2$ -ZnSe@GA and $CoSe_2$ -NiSe2 before and after cycling.

Samples	$ m R_s(\Omega)$ (before cycling)	R <sub>ct</sub> (Ω) (before cycling)	R <sub>s</sub> (Ω) (after cycling)	R <sub>ct</sub> (Ω) (after cycling)
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -FeSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	3.225	6.1	3.241	1.078
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -ZnSe@GA	2.558	9.3	10.71	3.226
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -NiSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	3.545	4.0	3.256	12.43

**Table S4.** The calculated b-values of the four materials corresponding to the different peaks

	Peak 1	Peak 2	Peak 3	Peak 4	peak 5
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -FeSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	0.94	0.93	0.91		
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -ZnSe@GA	0.96	0.91	0.96	0.94	
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -NiSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	1.00	0.98	0.99	0.99	0.98
CoSe <sub>2</sub>	0.95	0.86	0.90		

**Table S5.** The calculated diffusion coefficients of CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA, CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA and CoSe<sub>2</sub>-NiSe<sub>2</sub>.

Samples	D <sub>DisCharge</sub> (cm <sup>2</sup> /s×10 <sup>-9</sup> )	D <sub>Charge</sub> (cm²/s×10-9)
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -FeSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	20.683	15.550
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -ZnSe@GA	7.416	6.752
CoSe <sub>2</sub> -NiSe <sub>2</sub> @GA	6.095	4.569

#### Calculation of the relative contents of CoSe<sub>2</sub>, FeSe<sub>2</sub> and carbon in CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA

As shown in **Figure 2d**,  $CoSe_2$ -FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA has a weight loss of 70.9wt%. The weight loss of the composite is mainly composed of three parts: the change of weight loss from  $CoSe_2$  to  $Co_3O_4$ , the change of weight loss from FeSe<sub>2</sub> to Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and the loss of carbon oxidation. W represents the weight percentage of FeSe<sub>2</sub>. Since the ratio of cobalt to iron in the raw material is controlled at 1:1 and the molecular weight of FeSe<sub>2</sub> is similar with CoSe<sub>2</sub>, the weight percentage of CoSe<sub>2</sub> is also W and the weight percentage of carbon is (100%-2W). Thus, according to the reaction equation (1)(2), the weight loss from pure CoSe<sub>2</sub> to Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> is 63.0wt% and from pure FeSe<sub>2</sub> to Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is 62.6wt%.

 $3\text{CoSe}_{2} + 8\text{O}_{2} \rightarrow \text{Co}_{3}\text{O}_{4} + 6\text{SeO}_{2}\uparrow$ (1)  $4\text{FeSe}_{2} + 11\text{O}_{2} \rightarrow 2\text{Fe}_{2}\text{O}_{3} + 8\text{SeO}_{2}\uparrow$ (2)  $W \times 63.0\% + W \times 62.6\% + 100\% - 2W = 70.9\%$ 

Therefore, according to formula (3), it can be calculated that the content of CoSe<sub>2</sub>, FeSe<sub>2</sub>, and carbon in CoSe<sub>2</sub>-FeSe<sub>2</sub>@GA is 39.1wt%, 39.1wt%, and 21.8wt%.

(3)

### Calculation of the relative contents of CoSe2, ZnSe and Carbon in CoSe2-ZnSe@GA

As shown in Figure 2d,  $CoSe_2$ -ZnSe@GA has a weight loss of 66.6wt%. The weight loss of the composite is mainly composed of three parts: the weight loss of  $CoSe_2$  to  $Co_3O_4$ , the weight loss of ZnSe to ZnO and the weight loss of carbon oxidation. W represents the weight percentage of  $CoSe_2$ . Since the ratio of cobalt to zinc in the raw material is controlled at 1:1, the weight percentage of ZnSe is W and the weight percentage of carbon is (100%-2W). Thus, according to reaction equation (4), the weight loss from pure ZnSe to ZnO is 43.6wt%.

 $2ZnSe + 3O_2 \rightarrow 2ZnO + 2SeO_2 \uparrow$  (4)

 $W \times 63.0\% + W \times 43.6\% + 100\% - 2W = 66.6\%$  (5)

Therefore, according to formula (5), it can be calculated that the content of CoSe<sub>2</sub>, ZnSe and carbon in CoSe<sub>2</sub>-ZnSe@GA is 35.8wt%, 35.8wt% and 28.4wt%

## Calculation of the relative contents of CoSe2, NiSe2 and carbon in CoSe2-NiSe2@GA

As shown in Figure 2d,  $CoSe_2$ -NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA The weight loss is 70.1wt%. The weight loss of composite materials mainly consists of three parts: weight loss from  $CoSe_2$  to  $Co_3O_4$ , weight loss from NiSe<sub>2</sub> to Ni<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and weight loss from carbon oxidation. W represents the weight percentage of  $CoSe_2$ , and since the cobalt nickel ratio in the raw material is controlled at 1:1.5, the weight percentage of carbon is (100% -2.5 W). Therefore, according to reaction equation (6), the weight loss from pure NiSe<sub>2</sub> to Ni<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is 40.0wt%.

 $4\text{NiSe} + 7\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Ni}_2\text{O}_3 + 4\text{SeO}_2\uparrow \tag{6}$ 

 $W \times 63.0\% + 1.5W \times 40.0\% + 100\% - 2.5W = 70.1\%$ (7)

Therefore, according to formula (7), it can be calculated that the content of  $CoSe_2$  and  $NiSe_2$  in  $CoSe_2$ -NiSe<sub>2</sub>@GA is 23.5wt%, 35.3wt% and the content of carbon is 41.2wt%.

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