## Co-nucleated Co doped SnO<sub>2</sub>/SnS<sub>2</sub> heterostructures to facilitate diffusion towards high-performance alkali ion storage

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## 1. Supporting figures

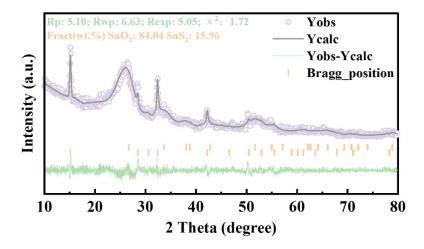


Figure S1. Refined XRD results of Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> samples.

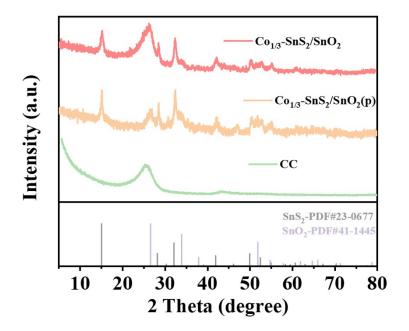


Figure S2. XRD patterns of Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>, Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>(p) and blank carbon cloth.

| - s                 | Elements | Wt%   | Wt% Sigma                | Atom %   |
|---------------------|----------|-------|--------------------------|----------|
| - Sn                | 0        | 9.79  | 0.20                     | 33.46    |
|                     | S        | 19.66 | 0.10                     | 33.52    |
|                     | Co       | 1.10  | 0.17                     | 1.03     |
|                     | Sn       | 69.45 | 0.22                     | 31.99    |
| <u> </u>            | Total    | 100.0 |                          | 100.0    |
| O<br>Co<br>Sn<br>Co |          |       |                          |          |
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Figure S3. Content of each element in the  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> material.

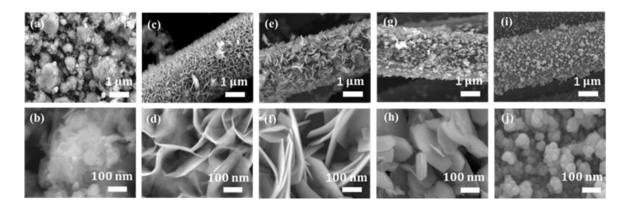


Figure S4. SEM images of (a-b)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>(p); (c-d)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>;(e-f) SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>; (g-h)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>; (i-j)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnO<sub>2</sub>.

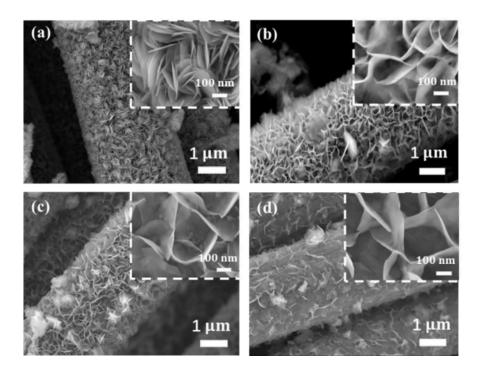


Figure S5. SEM images of (a)  $Co_{1/2}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>; (b)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>; (c)  $Co_{1/4}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>; (d)  $Co_{1/5}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>.

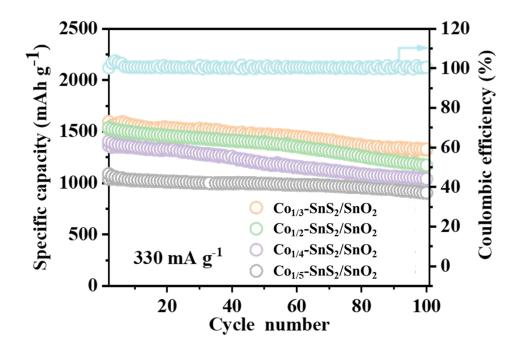


Figure S6. The cycling performance of LIBs using the different  $Co_{1/x}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> anodes obtained at different ratio of the Co<sup>2+</sup>.

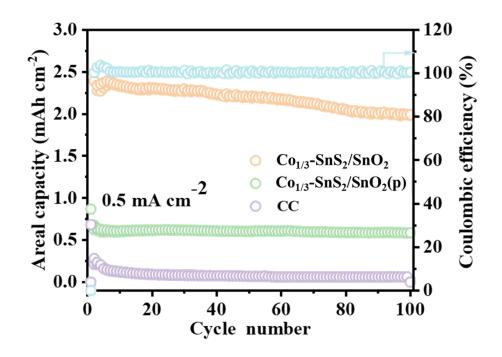


Figure S7. The cycling performance of LIBs using the  $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2/SnO_2$ ,  $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2/SnO_2(p)$  and CC as anodes.

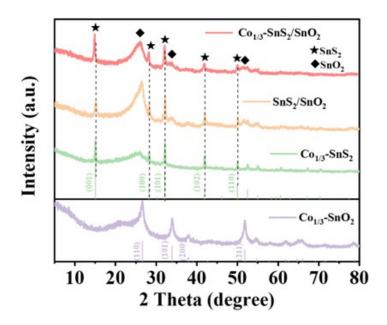


Figure S8. XRD patterns of the comparison samples (SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>, Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnO<sub>2</sub> and Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnS<sub>2</sub>)

| Table S1.               | Comparison of the performance of this material in lithium-ion batteries |
|-------------------------|---|
| with SnS <sub>2</sub> a | and $SnO_2$ materials reported in other studies.                        |

| Sample                     | Capacity $(mAh g^{-1})$         | Capacity retention | Ref.      |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| SnS <sub>2</sub> @RGO      | 1800 $(0.1 \text{ A g}^{-1})$   | 52.3 % (100 cycle) | [19]      |
| $C@SnS_2$                  | 1200 $(0.1 \text{ A g}^{-1})$   | 55 % (100 cycle)   | [29]      |
| SnS <sub>2</sub> -CNT-CC   | 1500 $(0.645 \text{ A g}^{-1})$ | 83 % (100 cycle)   | [32]      |
| $SnS_2/SnO_2/C$            | $1050 \ (0.1 \text{ A g}^{-1})$ | 67.8 % (100 cycle) | [33]      |
| SnO <sub>2</sub> @N-CNF    | 754 $(1 \text{ A g}^{-1})$      | 100 % (300 cycle)  | [34]      |
| $SnO_2@SnS_2$              | 962 $(0.1 \text{ A g}^{-1})$    | 56.9 % (100 cycle) | [35]      |
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2/SnO_2$ | 1518 $(0.33 \text{ A g}^{-1})$  | 81 % (100 cycle)   | This work |

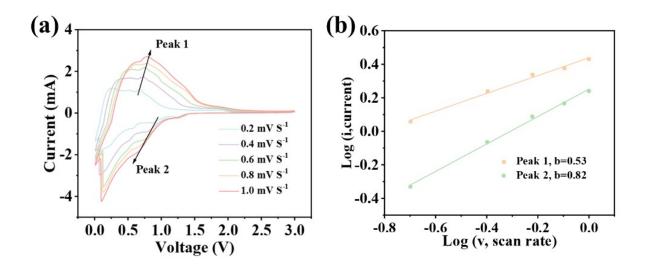


Figure S9. (a) The CV curves at different rate of the LIBs using the Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> anodes; (b) Plots of log(i) against log(v) at various peak currents.

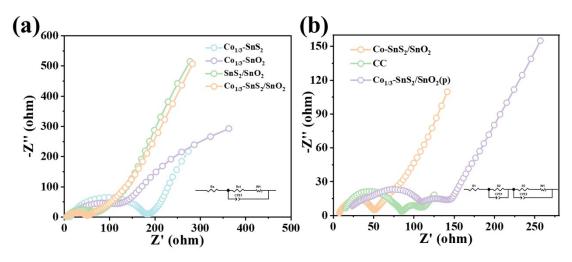


Figure S10. The EIS curves of LIBs with (a)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>, SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>, Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnO<sub>2</sub> and Co<sub>1/3</sub>-SnS<sub>2</sub> as anodes; (b)  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>,  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>(p) and blank carbon cloth as anodes;

| Sample                        | $R_s(\Omega)$ | $R_{ct} (\Omega)$ |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2$          | 13.22         | 170.2             |
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnO_2$          | 10.38         | 156.8             |
| $SnS_2/SnO_2$                 | 4.672         | 75.72             |
| CC                            | 10.44         | 73.57             |
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2/SnO_2(p)$ | 12.57         | 121.3             |
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2/SnO_2$    | 6.242         | 46.8              |

Table S2. Fitted EIS data and dynamic parameters of different materials in LIBs.

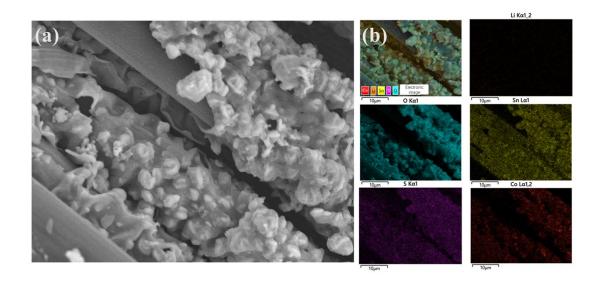


Figure S11. (a) SEM image and (b) EDS of  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> anode removed in LIB after 50 cycles at 300 mA g<sup>-1</sup>.



Figure S12. LEDs light up with LIBs using  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> anodes

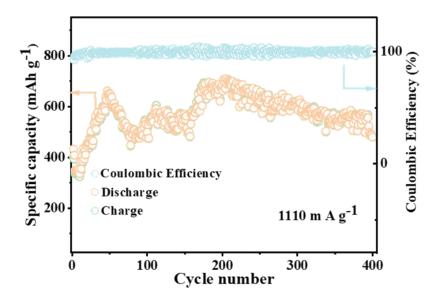


Figure S13. The cycling performance of SIBs using the  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub> anodes at a current density of 1110 mA g<sup>-1</sup>.

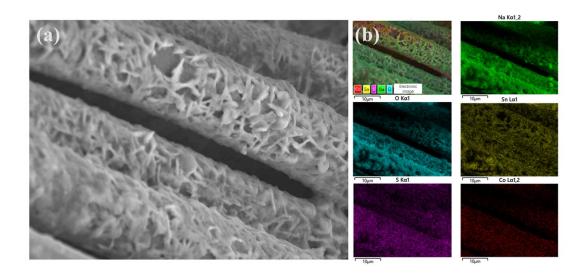


Figure S14. (a) SEM image and (b) EDS of anode removed in SIB after 70 cycles at  $300 \text{ mA g}^{-1}$ .

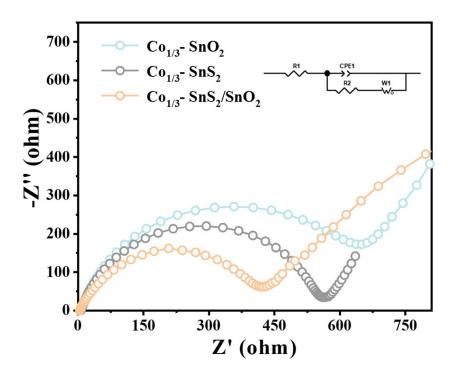


Figure S15. The EIS curves of SIBs with  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub>/SnO<sub>2</sub>,  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnS<sub>2</sub> and  $Co_{1/3}$ -SnO<sub>2</sub> as anodes;

Table S3. Fitted EIS data and dynamic parameters of different materials in SIBs.

| Sample                              | $R_{s}\left(\Omega ight)$ | $R_{ct} (\Omega)$ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2$                | 6.649                     | 562.4             |
| Co <sub>1/3</sub> -SnO <sub>2</sub> | 5.968                     | 734.5             |
| $Co_{1/3}$ - $SnS_2/SnO_2$          | 3.975                     | 434.7             |

## 2. Calculation of ion diffusion coefficient ( $D_{Li}$ and $D_{Na}$ )

The GITT data was obtained at the 2nd cycle on a LAND constant current charging and discharging system. The ion diffusion coefficient reflecting the dynamic behavior of the electrodes can be calculated based on the following equation:

$$D = \frac{4}{\pi\tau} \left(\frac{m_B v_m}{M_B S}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\Delta E_s}{\Delta E_\tau}\right)^2 (\tau \ll \frac{L^2}{D})$$
(S1)

Where D is the ion diffusion coefficient (cm<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>),  $\tau$  is the constant current pulse time (s),  $m_B$  is the quality of the active material (g),  $v_m$  is the molar volume of active material (cm<sup>3</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>),  $M_B$  is relative molecular mass (g mol<sup>-1</sup>) of active material, respectively, S is the area where the electrode is in contact with the electrolyte (cm<sup>2</sup>),  $\Delta E_S$  represents the steady-state voltage change by the current pulse and  $\Delta E_{\tau}$  is the potential change (V) during the constant current pulse.