

Supporting Information for

Dimensional Gradient Structure of CoSe₂@CNTs-MXene Anode**Assisted by Ether for High Capacity, Stable Sodium Storage**Enze Xu¹, Pengcheng Li¹, Junjie Quan¹, Hanwen Zhu¹, Li Wang², Yajing Chang³, Zhenjie Sun¹, Lei Chen¹, Dabin Yu^{3, *}, Yang Jiang^{1, *}¹School of Materials Science and Engineering, Hefei University of Technology, Hefei 230009, P. R. China²School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Hefei University of Technology, Hefei 230009, P. R. China³State Key Laboratory of Pulsed Power Laser Technology, National University of Defense Technology, Hefei 230037, P. R. China*Corresponding authors. E-mail: apjiang@hfut.edu.cn (Yang Jiang); dabinyu@sina.cn (Dabin Yu)**S1 Supplementary Tables and Figures****Table S1** Impedance parameters for the equivalent circuits

| | Inductor (nH) | R ₁ (Ω) | R ₂ (Ω) | CPE ₁ | | CPE ₂ | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| | | | | V(mF) | exponent(m) | V(μF) | exponent(m) |
| CoSe ₂ @CNTs-MXene (ether) | 441 | 8.55 | 9.77 | 313 | 898 | 688 | 606 |
| CoSe ₂ @CNTs-MXene (ester) | 421 | 17.5 | 239 | 280 | 512 | 14.7 | 807 |
| CoSe ₂ @CNTs | 288 | 14.2 | 11.7 | 2.61 | 799 | 207 | 763 |

Table S2 Comparison of MXene-based anode in sodium-ion storage

| Materials | Performance | | References |
|---|------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| | Cycling* | Rate** | |
| CoSe ₂ @CNTs-MXene | 400/2/200 th | 347.5/5 | This work |
| Phosphorene/ Ti ₃ C ₂ T _x | 343/1/1000 th | 193/5 | [S1] |
| 3D carbon coated MXene | 337.9/0.64/600 th | 194.7/3.2 | [S2] |
| CT-S@ Ti ₃ C ₂ -450 | 492/0.1/100 th | 223/5 | [S3] |
| Hollow MXene Spheres | 210/0.5/1000 th | 120/5 | [S4] |
| NaTi ₂ (PO ₄) ₃ cubes on Ti ₃ C ₂ | 150/1/2000 th | 113/5 | [S5] |
| MXene-Hard Carbon | 267.9/0.2/1500 th | 98.2/2 | [S6] |
| Ti ₃ C ₂ -NiCoP | 302.8/0.1/100 th | 240.1/2 | [S7] |
| Ti ₃ C ₂ MXene-Derived Sodium Titanate Nanoribbons | 191/0.2/150 th | 101/2 | [S8] |

*): Capacity (mAh g⁻¹)/Current Density (A g⁻¹)/Cycles; **): Capacity (mAh g⁻¹)/Current Density (A g⁻¹);

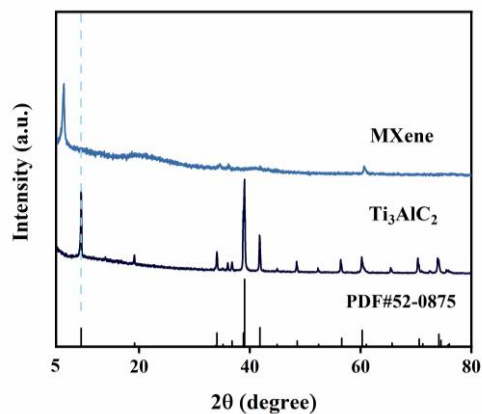


Fig. S1 XRD patterns of Ti₃AlC₂ and MXene

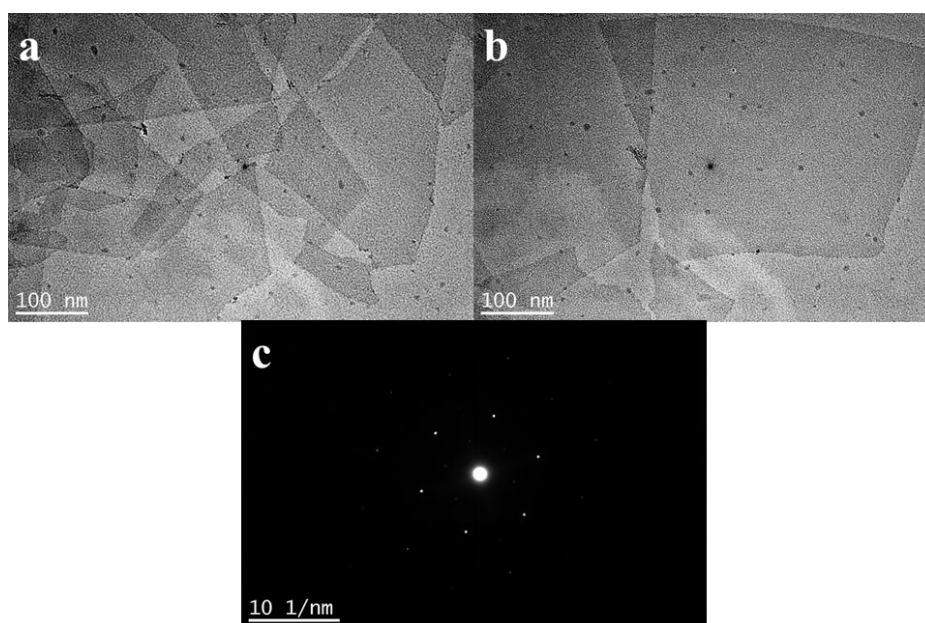


Fig. S2 **a, b** TEM images of Ti₃C₂T_x MXene nanosheets. **c** SEAD patterns of single-layer Ti₃C₂T_x MXene nanosheet

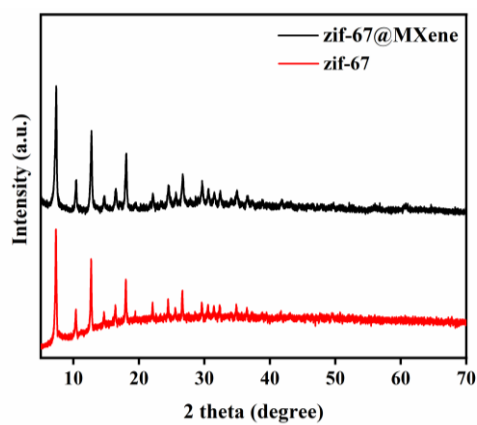


Fig. S3 XRD patterns of ZIF-67 and ZIF-67/MXene

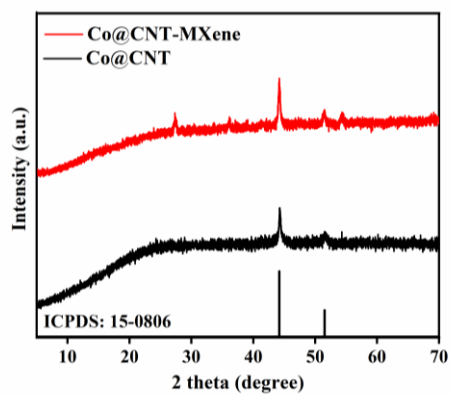


Fig. S4 XRD patterns of Co@CNTs and Co@CNTs-MXene after annealing treatment at 800 °C under Ar/H₂ atmosphere

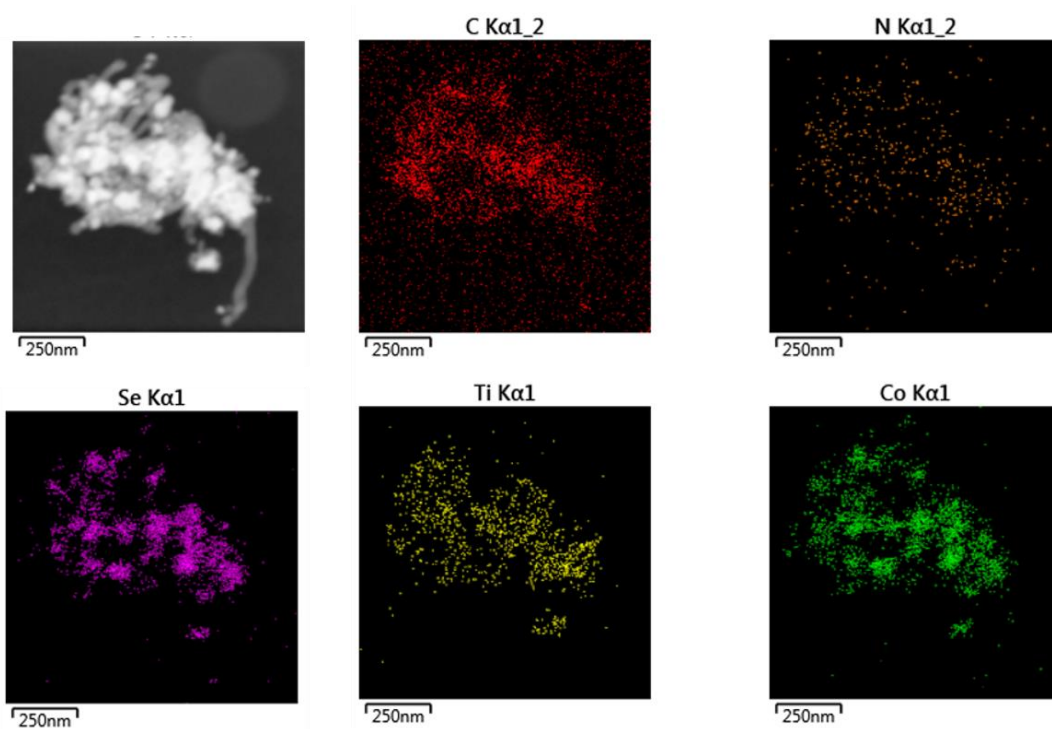


Fig. S5 Elemental Mapping of CoSe₂@CNTs-MXene

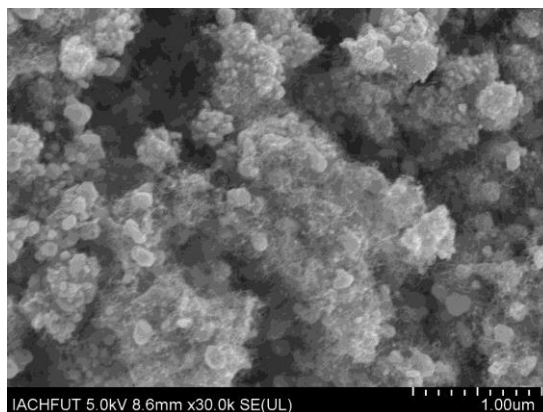


Fig. S6 SEM images of CoSe₂@CNTs

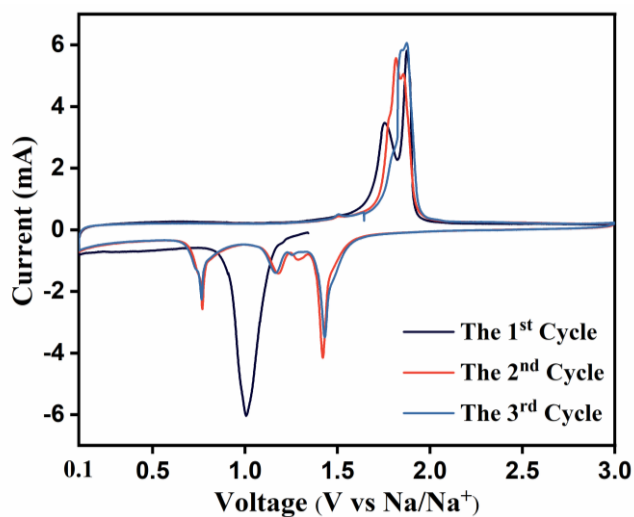


Fig. S7 CV curves of CoSe₂@CNTs

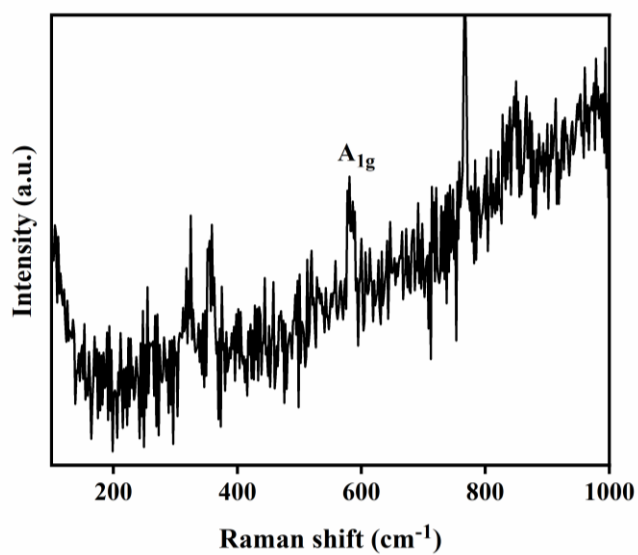


Fig. S8 Raman of CoSe₂ after charging to 3.0 V

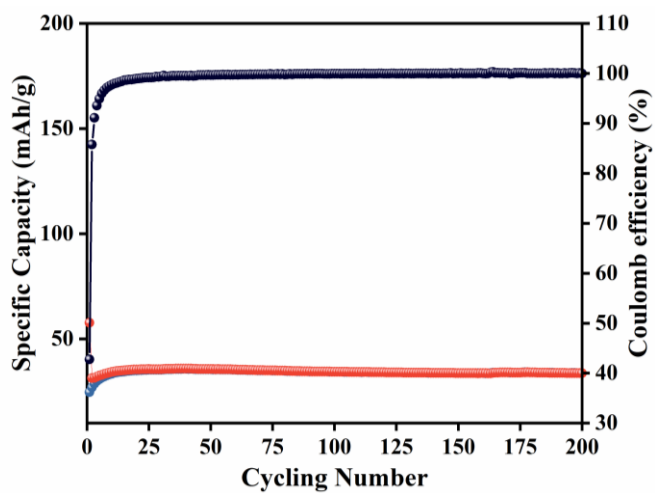


Fig. S9 Cycle performance of pure MXene

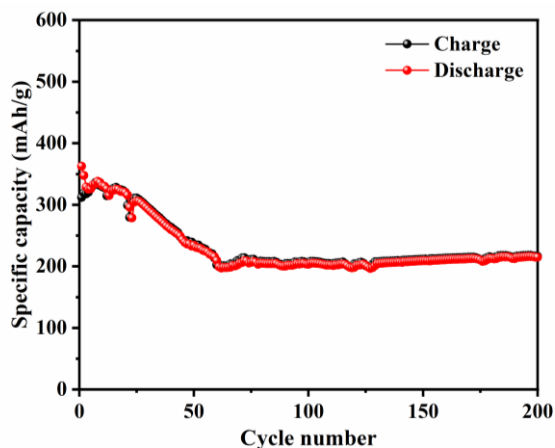


Fig. S10 Cycle performance of CoSe₂@CNTs

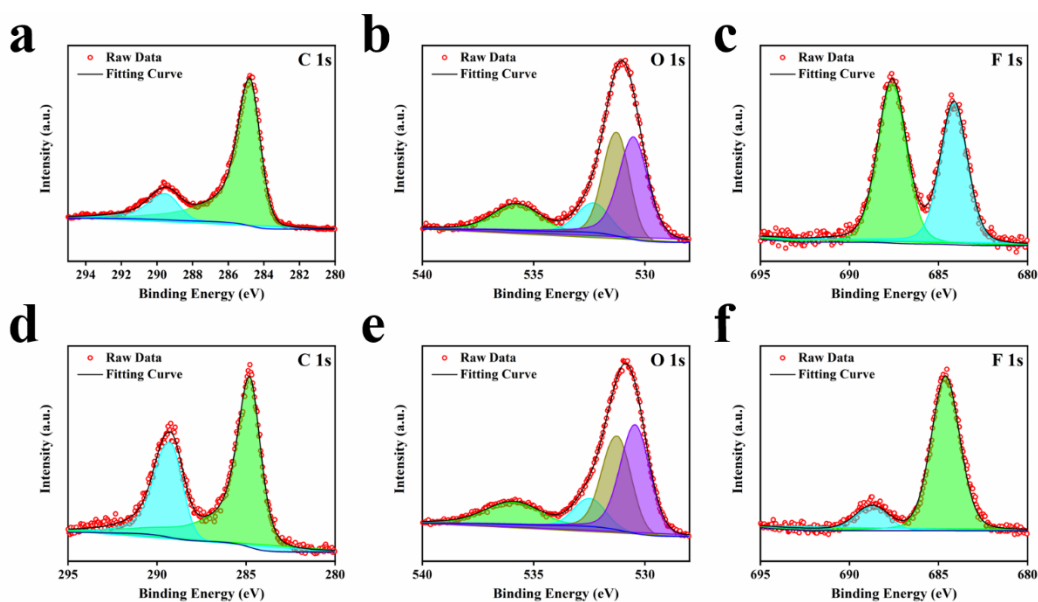


Fig. S11 XPS spectrum **a, d**) C 1s, **b, e**) O 1s, **c, f**) F 1s of electrode surface with ether and ester electrolyte systems

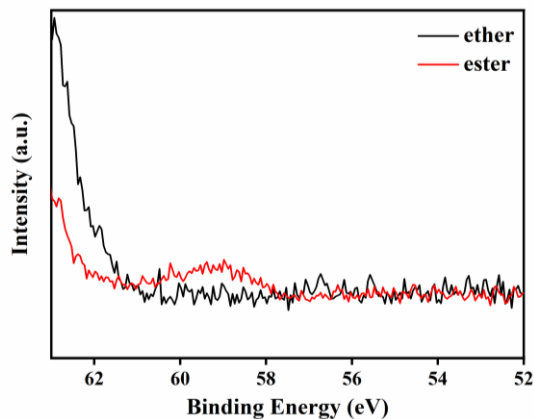


Fig. S12 XPS spectrum of separators with ether and ester electrolyte systems

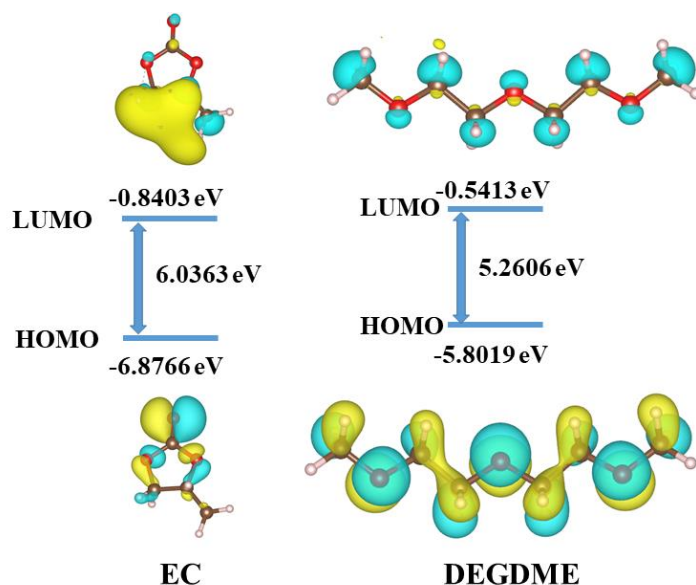


Fig. S13 Diagram of LUMO and HOMO energy level of Propylene carbonate (PC) and Bis(2-methoxy ethyl)ether (DEGDME)

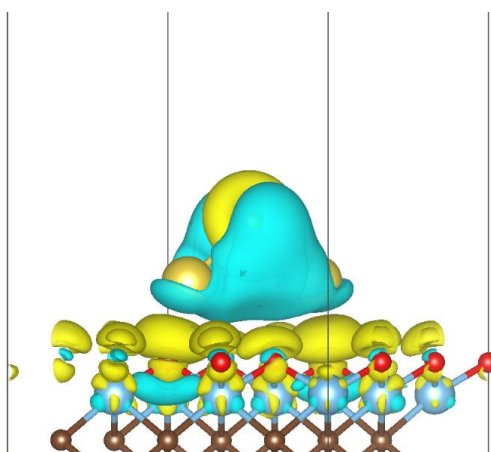


Fig. S14 Charge density difference of Na_2Se on $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{O}_2$

S2 Calculation Method

Capacitive contribution can be calculated by the following equation:

$$i = av^b \quad (\text{S1})$$

Where i is the current (A),

v is the scan rate (mV/s).

The slope b is 0.5 demonstrates a diffusion-controlled process (battery-type behavior). When slope is 1, this means a non-diffusion-controlled redox reactions on the surface (capacitive effect).

$$i = k_1v + k_2v^{1/2} \quad (\text{S2})$$

In Eq. S2, k_1v and $k_2v^{1/2}$ correspond to the current contribution from the capacitive effect and diffusion-controlled process, respectively.

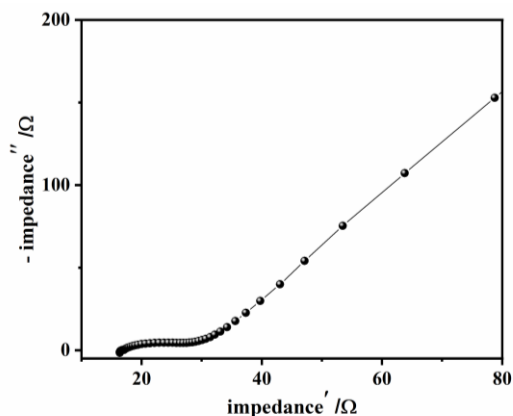


Fig. S15 Nyquist plots of CoSe₂@CNTs

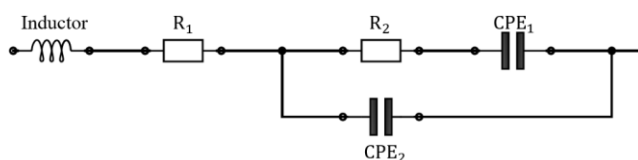


Fig. S16 Equivalent circuit of EIS

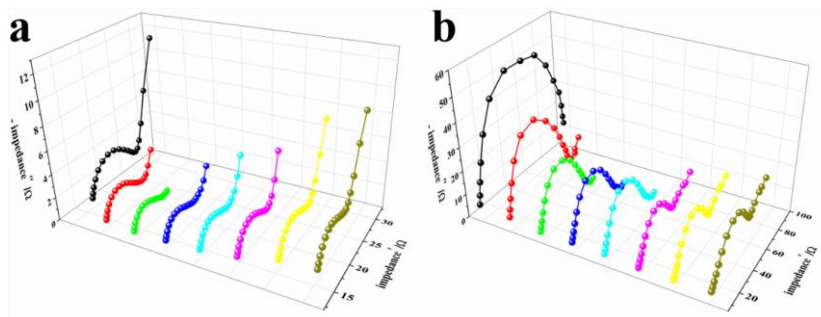


Fig. S17 Dynamic EIS analysis of CoSe₂@CNTs-MXene in ether and ester electrolyte at first discharge/charge cycle

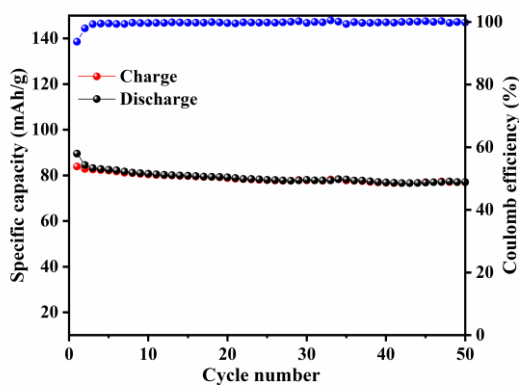


Fig. S18 Cycle performance of Na₃V₂(PO₄)₃ half cell at the current of 100 mA h g⁻¹

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