Supporting Information

Iron sulfide microspheres supported on cellulose-carbon nanotube conductive flexible film as an electrode material for aqueous-based symmetric supercapacitors with high voltage

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Figure S1. FTIR spectra of RC, CNT, RC/CNT, RC/CNT/ $0.3FeS_2$, and RC/CNT/ $0.3FeS_2$ /PPy-60 composite films.



Figure S2. (a) XPS survey spectrum of RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂ composite film. XPS spectra (b) Fe 2p, (c) S 2p, and (d) O 1s binding energies of RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂ composite film.



Figure S3. The tauc-plots, AC-2 low energy photoelectron spectra, and energy diagram of the CNT, FeS₂, and PPy materials.



Figure S4. XRD patterns of RC, CNT, RC/CNT, and RC/CNT/0.3FeS $_2$ composite films.



Figure S5. XRD patterns of RC/CNT/PPy-60, RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-15, RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-30, RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-60, and RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-75 composites.



Figure S6. SEM images of (a) RC and (b) RC/CNT films.



Figures S7. (a) SEM and ((b),(c)) EDX images of the (b) S, and (c) Fe elements in the RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂ composite.



Figure S8. TGA curves of (a) RC, RC/CNT, FeS₂, RC/CNT/0.1FeS₂, RC/CNT/0.2FeS₂, RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂, and RC/CNT/0.5FeS₂; (b) RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-15, RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-30, RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-60, and RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-75 composites.



Figure S9. N_2 adsorption-desorption isotherms and pore size distributions of (a) RC/CNT, (b) RC/CNT/0.1FeS₂, (c) RC/CNT/0.2FeS₂, (d) RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂, and (e) RC/CNT/0.5FeS₂ composites films.



Figure S10. Specific capacitances of the RC/CNT/0.1FeS2, RC/CNT/0.2FeS2,RC/CNT/0.3FeS2,RC/CNT/0.5FeS2,RC/CNT/0.3FeS2/PPy-30, RC/CNT/0.3FeS2/PPy-60, RC/CNT/0.3FeS2/PPy-75, andRC/CNT/Py-60 composites plotted with respect to the specific current.



Figure S11. The areal capacitance values plotted against the weight of the $RC/CNT/FeS_2$ and $RC/CNT/FeS_2/PPy$ electrodes.



Figure S12. CV plots at different scan rates of (a) RC/CNT/FeS₂/PPy-15, (b) RC/CNT/FeS₂/PPy-30, and (c) RC/CNT/FeS₂/PPy-60.



Figure S13. FTIR spectra of the RC/CNT/0.3FeS₂/PPy-60 electrode before and after the 10,000 cycle test.

Electrode	Electrolyte	C_A	C_m	Cycling test	Referenc
		(mF/cm ²)	(F/g)	stability	es
				(%)	
RC/CNT/FeS ₂ /PPy	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	1280.0	198.29	91.1	This
	aqueous			(10000 cycles)	work
Ni ₃ S ₂ @Ni/CC	6.0 M KOH	2420.0		91.5	[51]
	aqueous			(5000 cycles)	
rGO@Ni ₃ S ₂ /CC	6.0 M KOH		477.37	88.0	[52]
	aqueous			(5000 cycles)	
PPy/CuS/BC	2.0 M NaCl		580.00	73.0	[53]
	aqueous			(300 cycles)	
MoS ₂ /PPy/CNFs		734.0		84.0	[54]
				(after 2000	
				cycles)	
PPy/MoS ₂ /CC	5 M LiCl	1150.4		87.2%	[55]
	aqueous			(5000 Cycles)	

Table S1. The capacitance properties of the transition metal dichalcogenide (TMD)/conducting polymer/nano-carbon composites-based electrodes.