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Figure S1 SEM images of the nanotube structure. a) Long-ranged nanotube structure under

low magnification. b) Nanotube structure under high magnification.



Figure S2 TEM images of the nanotube structure. a)  $MoS_2$  nanotube under low magnification. b, c) Nanotube structure assembled with flower-like nanosheets. d) High magnification image of c).



Figure S3 EDX elemental mapping of metallic  $MoS_2$  nanotube. a) TEM image of  $MoS_2$  nanotubes with flower-like structure. b) EDX mapping of Mo element. c) EDX mapping of S element. d) EDX spectrum of metallic  $MoS_2$  nanotube. (C, O and Cu elements are coming from the Cu grid)



Figure S4 HRTEM image for the atom arrangement of metallic MoS<sub>2</sub>



Figure S5 SEM images of 2H  $MoS_2$  nanosheets (a, b), and TEM images of 2H  $MoS_2$  nanosheets (c, d).



**Figure S6** a) TEM image of the metallic  $MoS_2$  nanotube after cycle, which proves the structure was robust enough and could still keep their structure even after 200 cycles. b) Raman spectra before and after 350 cycles of metallic  $MoS_2$ . c, d) EIS of  $MoS_2$  before cycle and after 200 cycles. Agreeing with the EC performance, after 200 cycles, the resistance of the metallic  $MoS_2$  electrode was improved because of the materials' activation during cycling.

Table S1. Summary of lithium-ion battery performance of  $MoS_2$  materials under high current density.

Reference	Electrodes	method	Battery Performance	
			Current density	Specific capacity
[2]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /graphene	L-cysteine-assisted	1 A g <sup>-1</sup>	900 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
		hydrothermal		
[3]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> nanoplates	Hydrothermal route	1.06 A g <sup>-1</sup>	900 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
[4]	$2H MoS_2/graphene$	L-cysteine-assisted	1 A g <sup>-1</sup>	800 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
		hydrothermal		
[7]	$2H MoS_2$ nanosperes	PVP-assisted	0.5 A g <sup>-1</sup>	1000 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
		hydrothermal		
[9]	metallic MoS <sub>2</sub> /carbon fiber	Hydrothermal route	1 A g <sup>-1</sup>	750 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
[10]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /carbon nanofiber	Hydrothermal route	$1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	688 mA h $g^{-1}$
[11]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /graphene	Acid-assisted	$1 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	900 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
		hydrothermal		
[12]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /carbon nanotube	Hydrothermal route	$5 \mathrm{A  g^{-1}}$	800 mA h $g^{-1}$
[17]	metallic MoS <sub>2</sub> /graphene	Solvothermal route	$3.5 \text{ Ag}^{-1}$	666 mA h $g^{-1}$
[22]	metallic @2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /carbon	Solvothermal route	2 A g <sup>-1</sup>	510 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
	cloth			
[23]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /graphene	Lithium intercalation	$1 \mathrm{A}\mathrm{g}^{-1}$	$400 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$
[25]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /carbon nanotube	Sonicate exfoliation	$20 \text{ Ag}^{-1}$	580 mA h $g^{-1}$
[30]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /graphene foam	Hydrothermal reaction	$5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	$800 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$
[31]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /carbon nanosheet	Heat-treatment	$2 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	709 mA h $g^{-1}$
[32]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /mesoporous carbon	Hydrothermal route	$10 \text{ Ag}^{-1}$	$400 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$
[33]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> /graphene nanosheet	Heat-induced process	$20 \text{ Ag}^{-1}$	$344 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$
[34]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> / mesoporous carbon	Acid-assisted	6.4 A g <sup>-1</sup>	943 mA h g <sup>-1</sup>
		hydrothermal		
[35]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> @graphene	Chemical vapor	$5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$	900 mA h $g^{-1}$
		deposition		
[36]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> @graphene	Hydrothermal route	2.5 A g <sup>-1</sup>	$678 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$
[37]	2H MoS <sub>2</sub> @carbon	PANI assisted	1 A g <sup>-1</sup>	$320 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$
		hydrothermal		