## **Supporting Information**

for

Synthesis and characterization of electrospun molybdenum dioxide—carbon nanofibers as sulfur matrix additives for rechargeable lithium—sulfur battery applications

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## Additional experimental data and experimental schemes

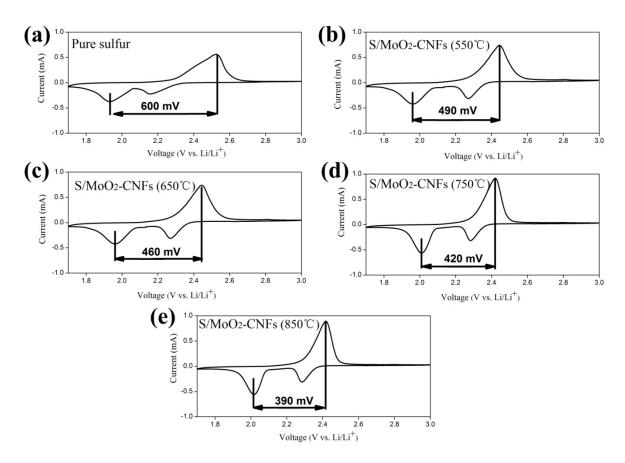
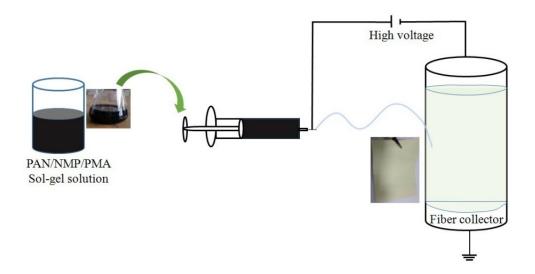
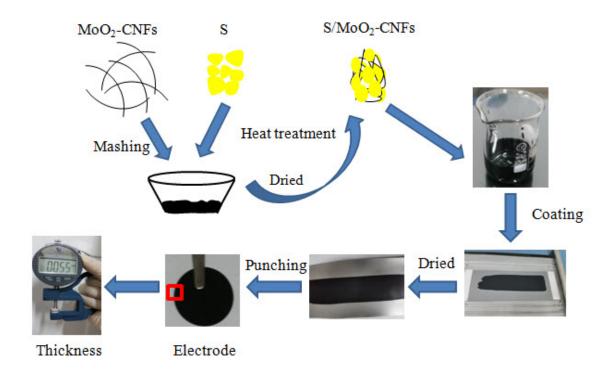


Figure S1: CV curves of Li-S cells with (a) pure sulfur electrode, (b-e)  $sulfur/MoO_2-CNF\ composite\ electrodes.$ 



Scheme S1: The schematic illustration of the procedure used to prepare MoO<sub>2</sub>–CNFs.



Scheme S2: A schematic representation of the S/MoO $_2$ -CNF electrodes.