

## Supplementary Materials

## Text S1. Electrosorption isotherm

The electrosorption isotherm of the cell AC//MC-2 in different initial NaCl concentrations is investigated by the Langmuir and Freundlich isotherms models, and the used equations are as follows:

$$q_e = \frac{q_m K_L C_e}{1 + K_L C_e}$$

$$q_e = K_F C_e^{1/n}$$
(S1)
(S2)

where  $q_e$  and  $q_m$  (mg g<sup>-1</sup>) are the equilibrium and maximum electro-sorptive capacity of NaCl.  $C_e$  (mg L<sup>-1</sup>) is the equilibrium adsorption concentration.  $K_L$  (min<sup>-1</sup>) is a Langmuir constant.  $K_f$  (mol<sup>1-n</sup>·L<sup>n</sup>·g<sup>-1</sup>) and n (1) are the Freundlich constants.

## Text S2. The electrosorption kinetics model

The electrosorption kinetics models are employed to analyze the electrosorption rates of the four cells in the CDI process. Here, the experimental data is fitted by the pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order models. The used kinetic models are expressed as below:

$$q_{t} = q_{e}(1 - e^{-k_{t}t})$$
(S3)  
$$q_{t} = \frac{k_{2}q_{e}^{2}t}{1 + k_{2}q_{e}t}$$
(S4)

where  $q_e$  (mg g<sup>-1</sup>) and  $q_t$  (mg g<sup>-1</sup>) refer to the electrosorption capacity of NaCl at equilibrium state and time t (min), respectively.  $K_1$  (min<sup>-1</sup>) and  $K_2$  (g mg<sup>-1</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>) are the pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order rate constants, respectively.



Fig. S1. Electrosorption cell in this work. 1,1`-Support plate(organic glass). 2,2`-Silicon rubber gasket. 3,3`-Aluminium plate. 4.-Active material. 5.-Silicon rubber spacer.



Fig. S2. The relationship between the concentration and conductivity of NaCl solution.



Fig. S3. EDS analysis of MC-2 material.

Table S1. Parameters and correlation coefficients of Langmuir and Freundlich isotherm models for AC//MC-2 cell.

Langmuir			Freundlich			
q <sub>max</sub> (mg/g)	$K_L (min^{-1})$	$\mathbb{R}^2$	n	$K_F (mol^{1-n} \cdot L^n/g)$	$\mathbb{R}^2$	
58.73	0.0017	0.9818	1.3	0.4258	0.9870	

Table S2. The kinetics parameters of pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order models for the four cells.

Sample	q <sub>exp</sub> (mg/g) —	pseudo-first-order model			pseudo-second-order model		
		q <sub>e</sub> (mg/g)	kı(1/min)	$\mathbf{R}^2$	q <sub>e</sub> (mg/g)	k₂(g/(mg·min))	$\mathbb{R}^2$
$AC//MoS_2$	23.69	23.40	0.1186	0.9945	28.00	0.0051	0.9868
AC//MC-1	17.27	17.16	0.0946	0.9809	21.76	0.0048	0.9630
AC//MC-2	29.14	28.80	0.1395	0.9859	33.53	0.0053	0.9663
AC//MC-3	21.76	21.52	0.0898	0.9931	26.52	0.0036	0.9859

Materials	Initial concentration (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	Applied voltage (V)	SAC (mg g <sup>-1</sup> )	SAR (mg g <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup> )	Refs
Ce-MoS <sub>2</sub>	23400	1.2	8.81	0.22	[1]
T-MoS <sub>2</sub>	100	0.8	24.6	0.31	[2]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /CNT	29200	0.8	25	0.42	[3]
MoS <sub>2</sub> @CNT-CS	500	1.2	25.35	3.9	[4]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /NOMC	250	1.6	28.82	0.72	[5]
$MoS_2/g-C_3N_4$	250	1.6	24.16	0.81	[6]
3D flower-like MoS <sub>2</sub> /rGO	200	1	16.82	0.56	[7]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /rGO	300	1.4	34.2	3.05	[8]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /PDA	200	1.2	16.94	1.69	[9]
MoS <sub>2</sub> /CP	500	1.2	29.14	2.9	This work

Table S3. Desalination performance comparison of MoS<sub>2</sub>/CP and other reported materials.

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