

## Supporting Information

# DFT Simulation-Based Design of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> Cathode Hosts for Li-S Batteries and Experimental Evaluation

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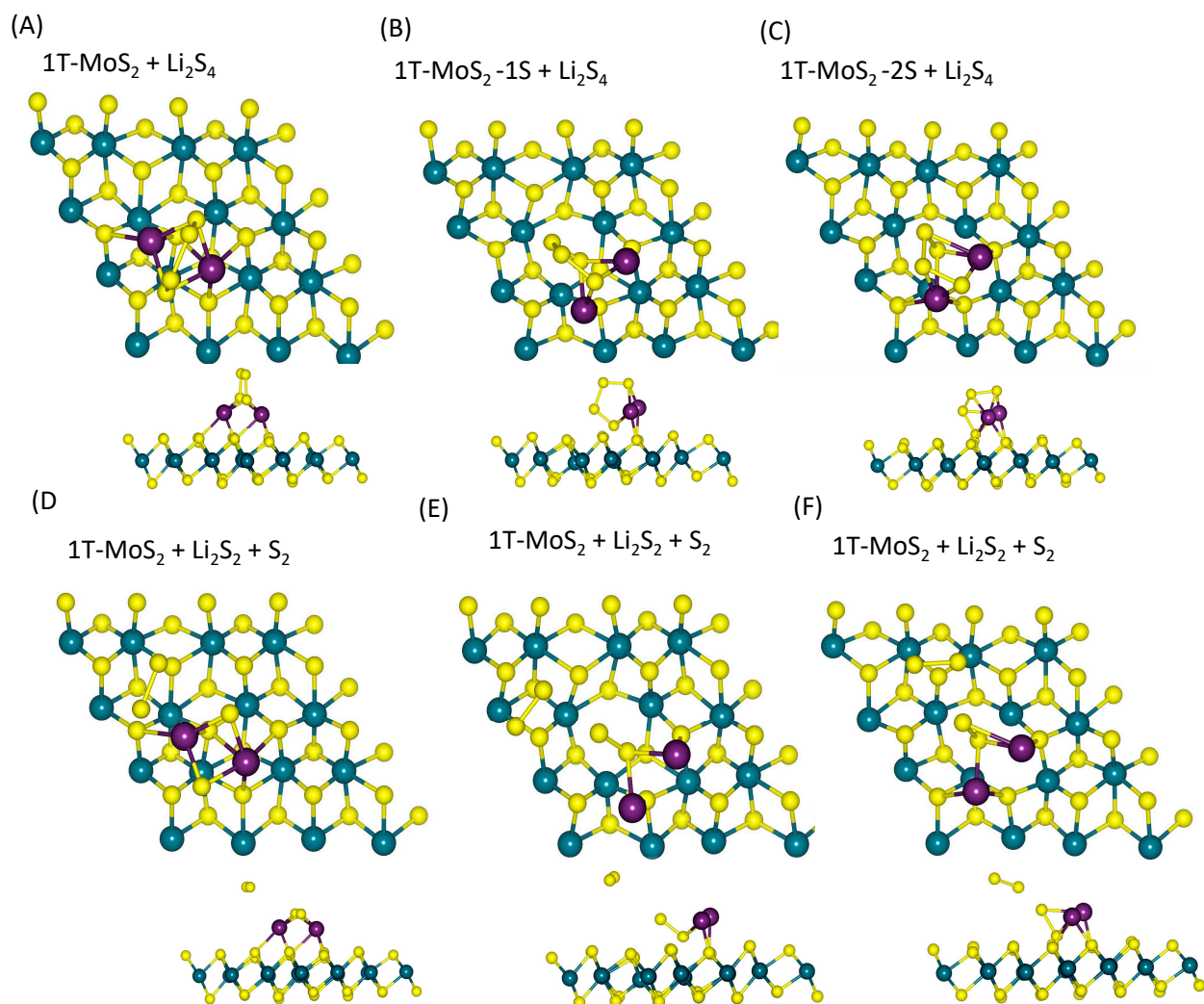


Figure S1. Top views and side views of the optimised geometry of adsorbed  $\text{Li}_2\text{S}_4$  on (A)  $1\text{T-MoS}_2$ , (B)  $1\text{T-MoS}_2\text{-1S}$ , (C)  $1\text{T-MoS}_2\text{-2S}$ ; (D), (E), (F) its dissociated products on  $1\text{T-MoS}_2$ ,  $1\text{T-MoS}_2\text{-1S}$ ,  $1\text{T-MoS}_2\text{-2S}$ , respectively for the reaction pathway of  $\text{Li}_2\text{S}_4 \rightarrow \text{Li}_2\text{S}_2 + \text{S}_2$ . The S-S bond length was less than 5 Å.

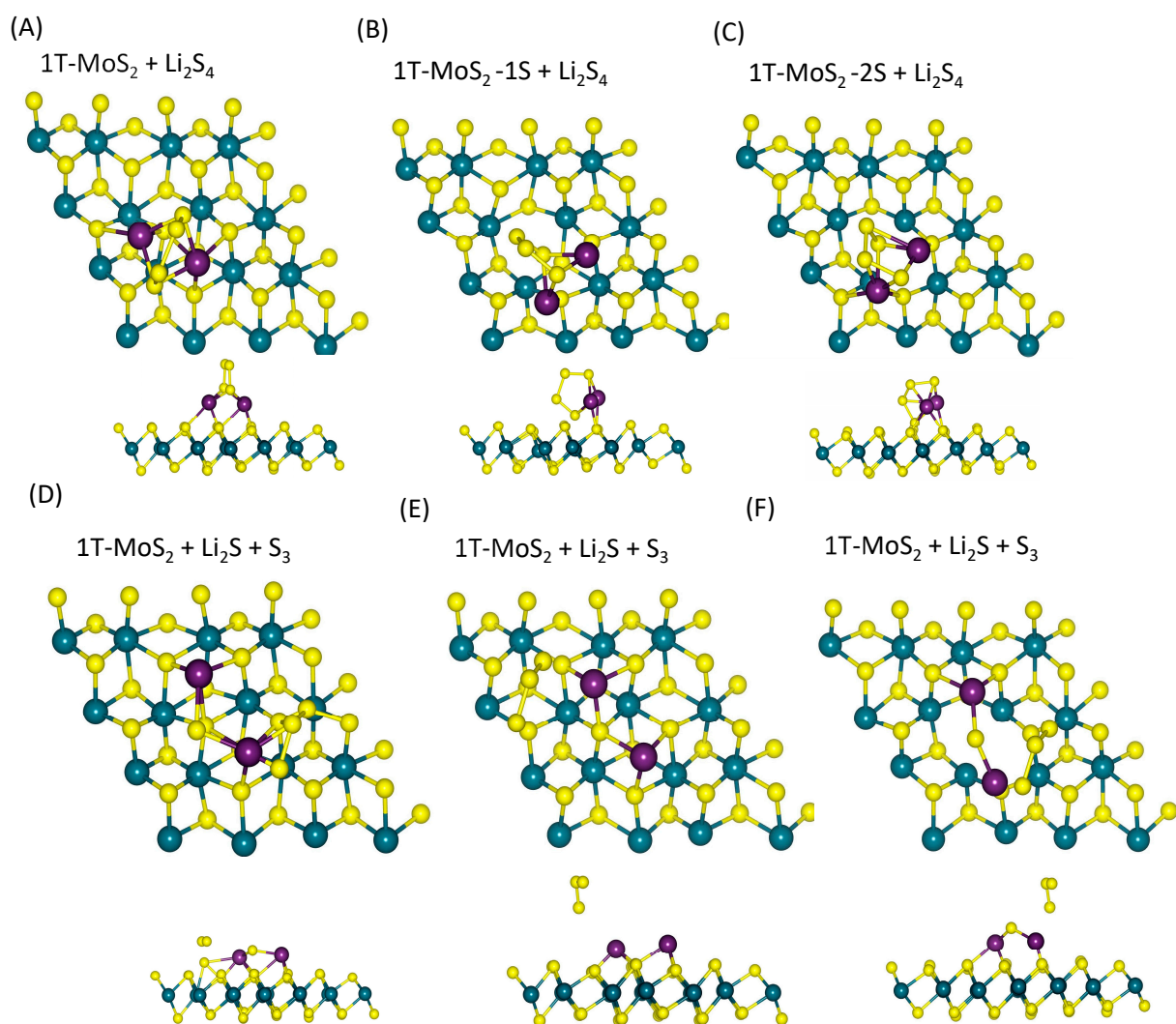


Figure S2. Top views and side views of the optimised geometry of adsorbed  $\text{Li}_2\text{S}_4$  on (A)  $1\text{T-MoS}_2$ , (B)  $1\text{T-MoS}_2-1\text{S}$ , (C)  $1\text{T-MoS}_2-2\text{S}$ ; (D), (E), (F) its dissociated products on  $1\text{T-MoS}_2$ ,  $1\text{T-MoS}_2-1\text{S}$ ,  $1\text{T-MoS}_2-2\text{S}$ , respectively for the reaction pathway of  $\text{Li}_2\text{S}_4 \rightarrow \text{Li}_2\text{S} + \text{S}_3$ . The S-S bond length was less than 5 Å.