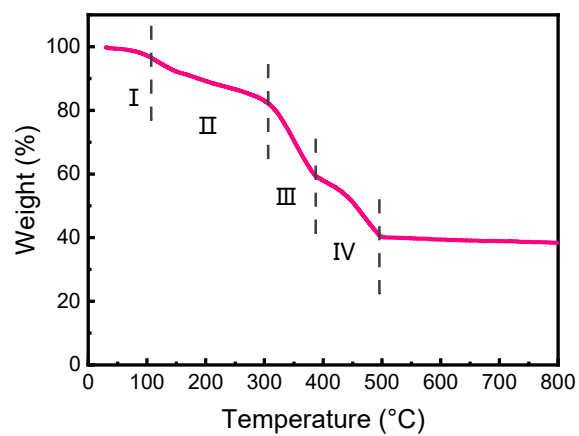


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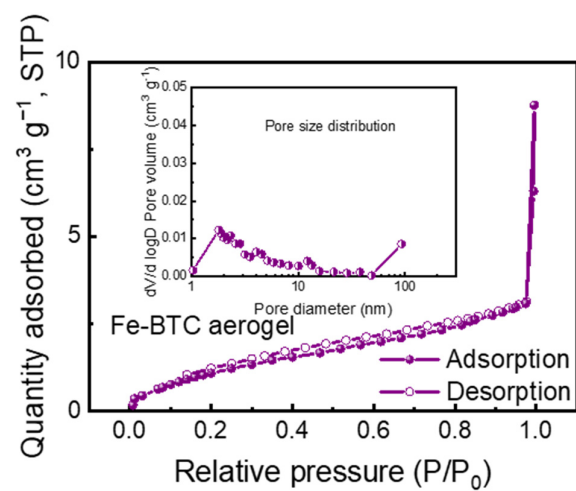
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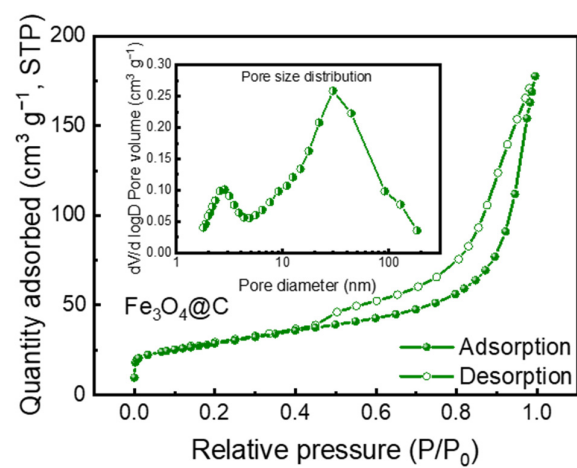
**Figure S1.** The optical photograph of Fe-BTC gel.



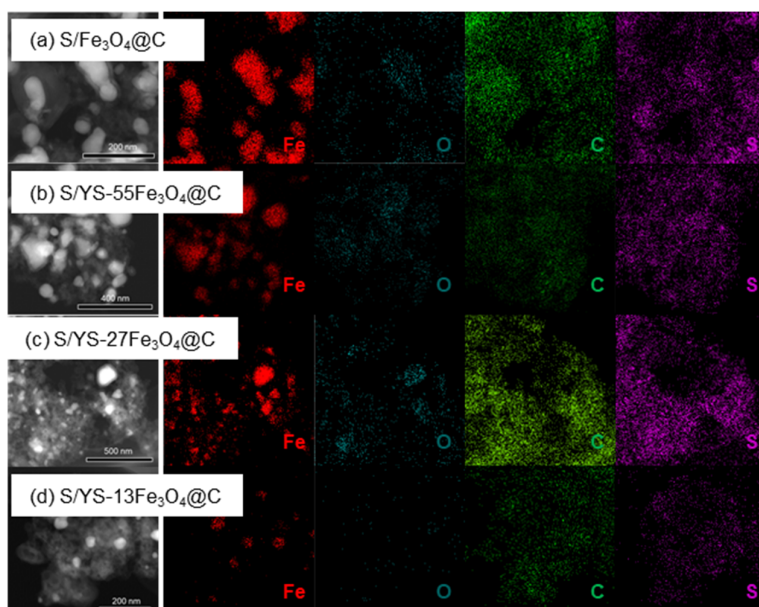
**Figure S2.** TGA curve of Fe-BTC aerogel acquired in a nitrogen atmosphere.



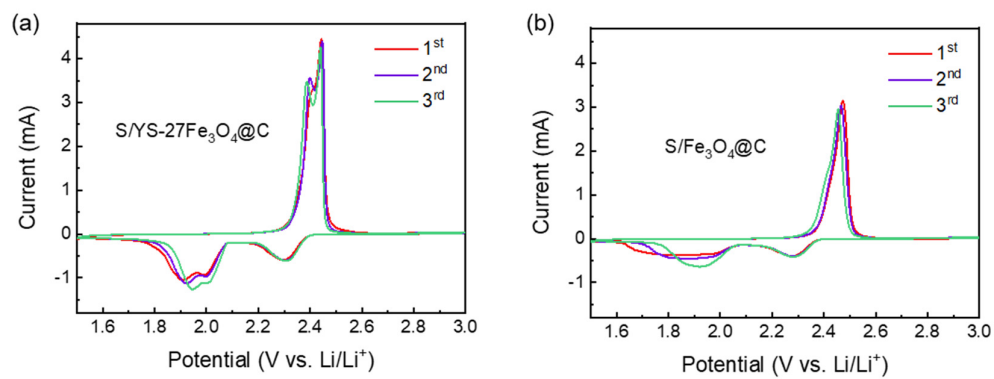
**Figure S3.** Nitrogen adsorption/desorption isotherm of Fe-BTC aerogel with an inset showing the corresponding size distribution of pores.



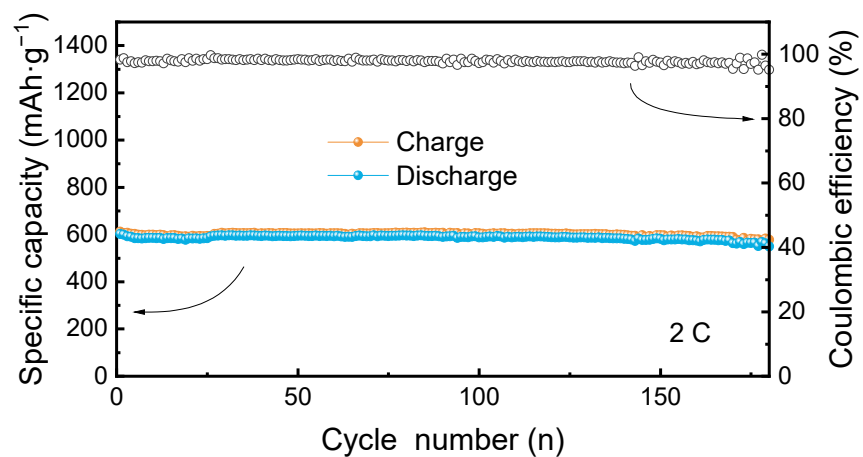
**Figure S4.** Nitrogen adsorption/desorption isotherm of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{C}$  with an inset showing the corresponding size distribution of pores.



**Figure S5.** EDS elemental mapping images of (a) S/Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C, (b) S/YS-55Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C, (c) S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C, and (d) S/YS-13Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C.

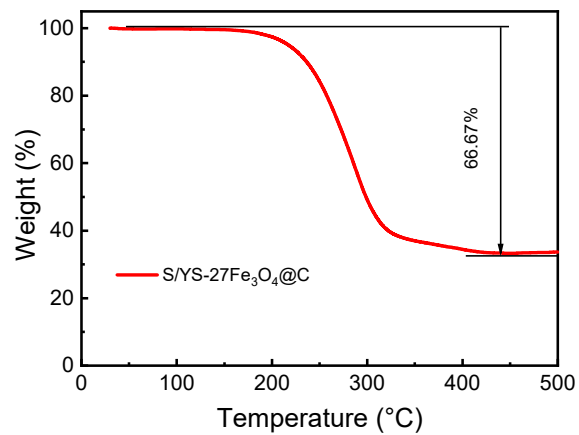


**Figure S6.** CV curves of (a) S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C and (b) S/Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C at 0.1 mV s<sup>-1</sup> for different cycles.



**Figure S7.** Long-term cycling stability of S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C electrode at 2 C.





**Figure S8.** TGA curves of S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C in N<sub>2</sub>.

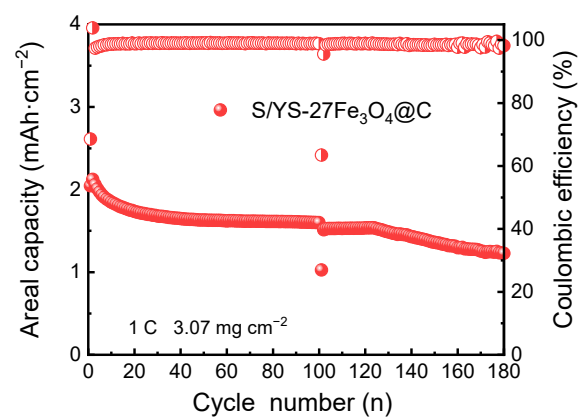
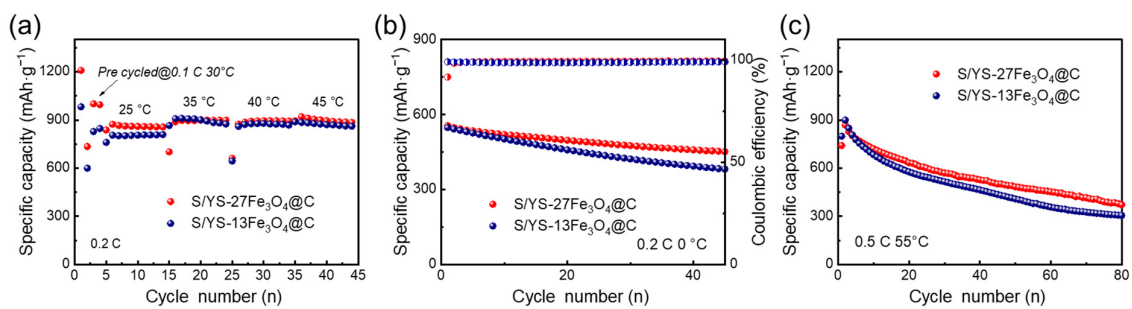


Figure S9. Cycle performance at 1 C of S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C under high sulfur loadings.



**Figure S10.** Cycle performance of S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C and S/YS-13Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C cathode with a wide temperature range: (a) 25 – 45 °C, (b) 0 °C, (c) 55 °C.

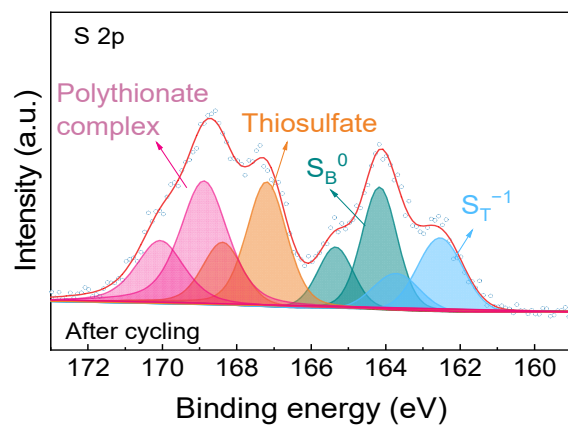


Figure S11. S 2p in S/YS-27Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C after cycling.

**Table S1.** Pore structure parameters of Fe-BTC aerogel and Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C.

	<b>Specific surface area (m<sup>2</sup> g<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>Average pore diameter (nm)</b>	<b>Pore volume (cm<sup>3</sup> g<sup>-1</sup>)</b>
Fe-BTC aerogel	36.1859	2.16362	0.019573
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @C	99.3583	7.37165	0.183109