Supporting Information

Dual Resistance and Impedance Investigation: Ultrasensitive and Stable Humidity Detection of Molybdenum Disulfide Nanosheets-Polyethylene Oxide Hybrids

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Characterization Techniques

The thickness of MoS₂ flakes was probed via atomic force microscopy (AFM) in tapping mode. Zeta potential was calculated from Zeta potentiometer (Omni, BRUKE, USA). The surface wetting tests were executed with Rame-Hart USA water contact angle measurement unit equipment with CCD camera. Morphological images were gathered by scanning electron microscope (SEM, ZEISS, Evo18, Germany) operated at acceleration voltage of 5 kV. The surface area and pore size distribution was determined by using TriStar II 3020 BET surface area analyser supplied by Micromeritics, USA. Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR) was conducted by Shimadzu 8400S instrument system. X-ray diffraction spectra (XRD) was obtained by PANalytical X'pert HighScore XRD instrument with a CuK α radiation source. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) measurements were performed on an Omicron Nanotech operated at 15 kV and 20 mA current using monochromatic Al Kα X-ray source.

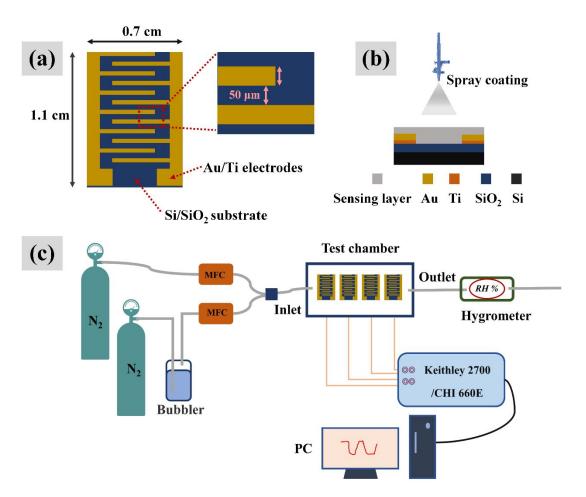


Figure S1. Schematic illustration of (a) IDEs device, (b) spray-coating and (c) measurement apparatus.

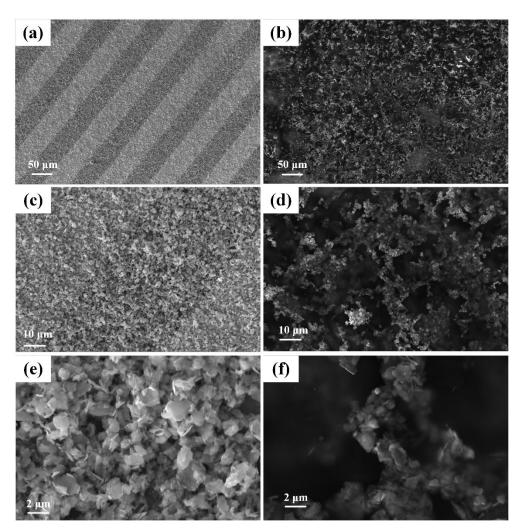


Figure S2. SEM images: gradual magnification of (a, c, e) MoS₂ and (b, d, f) MoS₂-PEO composite films.

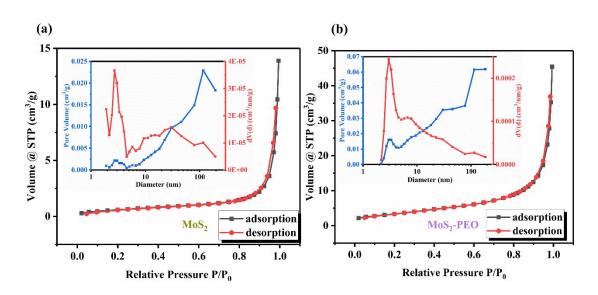


Figure S3. The adsorption/desorption isotherm, pore size distribution and pore volume of (a) MoS_2 and (b) MoS_2 -PEO composites.

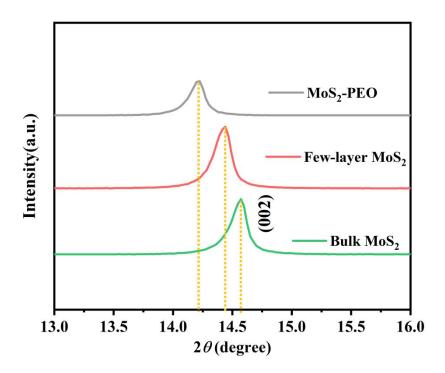


Figure S4. The downshift of (002) peak from bulk MoS_2 , few-layer MoS_2 to MoS_2 -PEO composites.

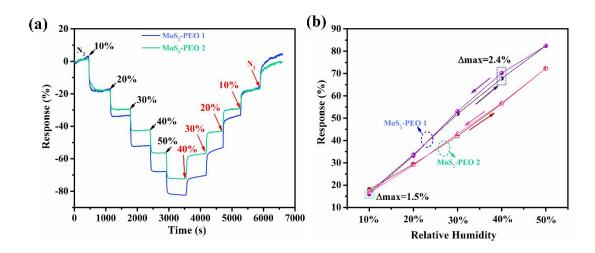


Figure S5. Response hysteresis of two different MoS_2 -PEO sensors: (a) transient response and (b) response-RH relationship during the processes of ascending/descending RH.

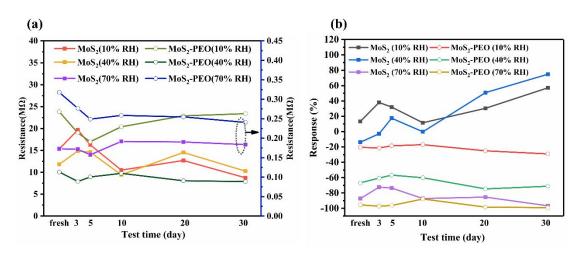


Figure S6. Operation stability of both MoS₂ and MoS₂-PEO sensors in terms of (a) saturation resistance and (b) response under different RH over time.

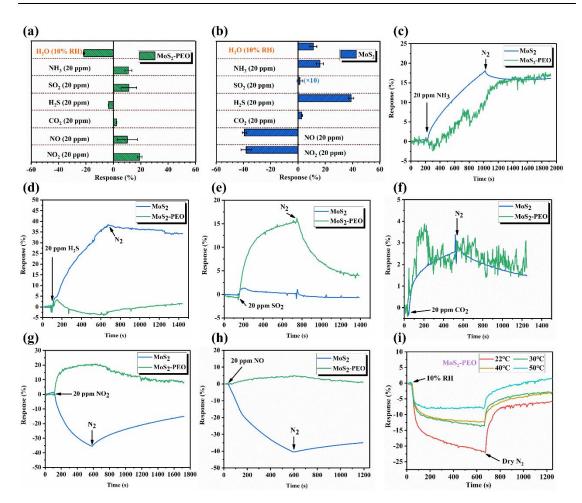


Figure S7. Selectivity of (a) MoS_2 -PEO and (b) MoS_2 sensors, time-resolved response of both sensors toward (c) 20 ppm NH₃, (d) 20 ppm H₂S, (e) 20 ppm SO₂, (f) 20 ppm CO₂, (g) 20 ppm NO₂, and (h) 20 ppm NO₂ at room temperature, and (i) response transient of MoS_2 -PEO sensor toward 10%RH at different operation temperature.

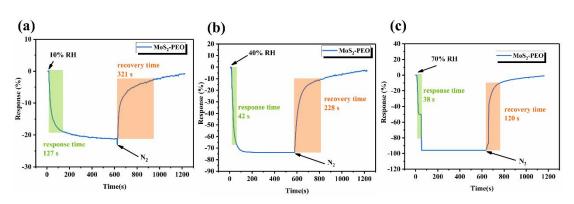


Figure S8. The response/recovery times of MoS_2 -PEO sensor toward (a) 10%RH, (b) 40%RH, and (c) 70%RH.

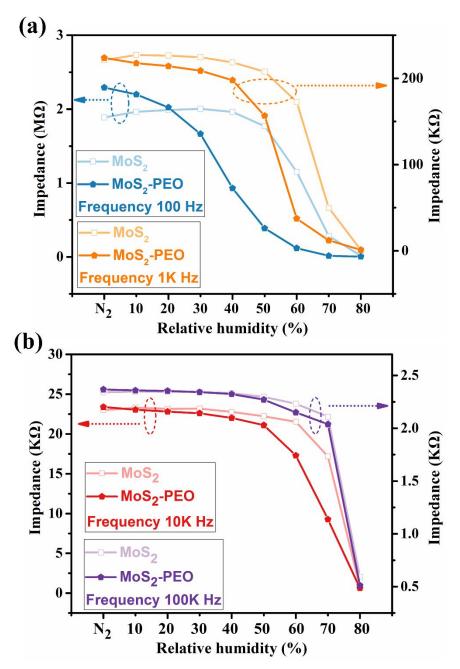


Figure S9. Impedance versus RH for MoS_2 and MoS_2 -PEO sensors at (a) 100 Hz, 1K Hz, and (b) 10K Hz, 100K Hz.

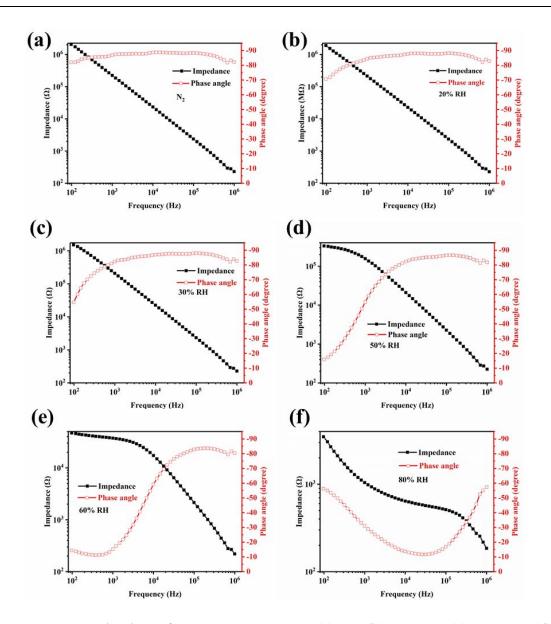


Figure S10. Bode plots of MoS_2 -PEO sensor at (a) N_2 , (b) 20%RH, (c) 30%RH, (d) 50%RH, (e) 60%RH and (f) 80%RH.

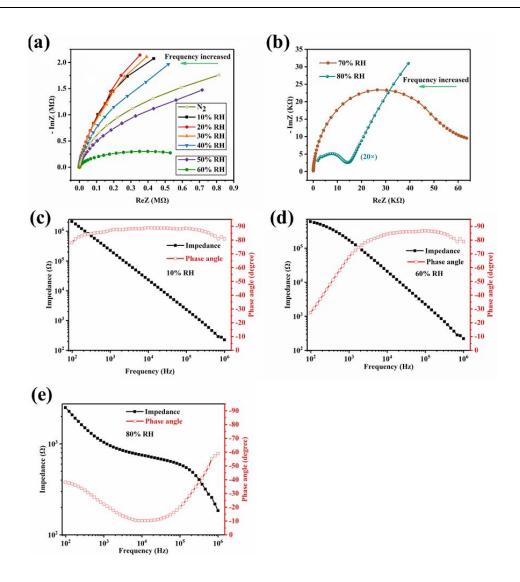


Figure S11. (a-b) CIS plots of MoS_2 sensor at different RH, bode plots of MoS_2 sensor at (c) 10%RH, (d) 60%RH and (e) 80%RH.

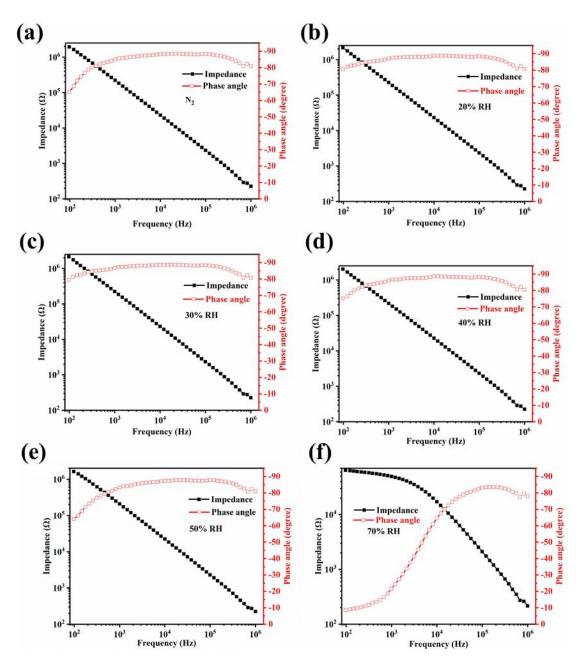


Figure S12. Bode plots of MoS₂ sensor at (a) N₂, (b) 20%RH, (c) 30%RH, (d) 40%RH, (e) 50%RH and (f) 70%RH.