Supporting Information for

## Co-Fe-P Nanosheet Arrays as Highly Synergistic and Efficient Electrocatalyst for Oxygen Evolution Reaction

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Figure S1. SEM image of Co-ZIF-L nanosheet arrays.



Figure S2. PXRD patterns of Co-ZIF-L nanosheet arrays.



Figure S3. SEM image of Co-Fe-LDH nanosheet.



Figure S4. TEM image of Co-Fe-LDH nanosheet.



Figure S5. HRTEM image of Co-Fe-LDH nanosheet. Insert is the FFT (Fast Fourier Transform)

pattern.



Figure S6. SAED pattern of Co-Fe-LDH nanosheet arrays.



Figure S7. PXRD pattern of Co-Fe-LDH nanosheet arrays.







Figure S9. LSV curves of CC, Co-Fe-LDH/CC, Co-P/CC, Fe-P/CC, Co-Fe-P/CC and RuO<sub>2</sub>

without *iR* compensation.



Figure S10. SEM image of Co-P/CC.



Figure S11. SEM image of Fe-P/CC.



Figure S12. SEM image of Co-Fe-P/CC after OER.



Figure S13. PXRD patterns of Co-Fe-P/CC before and after OER process for 24 h.



Figure S14. Raman spectra of Co-Fe-P/CC before and after OER process for 24 h.



Figure S15. Raman spectra of Co-P/CC before and after OER process for 24 h.



Figure S16. Raman spectra of Fe-P/CC before and after OER process for 24 h.



Figure S17. CV curves of Co-Fe-P/CC at different scan rates.



Figure S18. CV curves of Co-P/CC at different scan rates.



Figure S19. CV curves of Fe-P/CC at different scan rates.



Figure S20. N<sub>2</sub> sorption isotherms of Co-Fe-P/CC, Fe-P/CC and Co-P/CC.

 Table S1. Elemental composition of Co-Fe-LDH/CC based on EDX.

Element	С	0	Fe	Со
Content (at. %)	62.28	28.52	5.93	3.27

Element	Fe	Со	Р
Content (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	1.98	1.50	1.91
Content (mmol L <sup>-1</sup> )	0.35	0.25	0.062

 Table S2. Elemental composition of Co-Fe-P/CC based on ICP-AES.

 Table S3. Performance comparison between the recently developed, typical cobalt phosphide

		Overpotential (mV)	Tafel Slope
Catalyst	Substrate	$(j=10 \text{ mA cm}^{-2})$	(mV dec <sup>-1</sup> )
Hollow Co-Fe phosphide <sup>S1</sup>	NF	225	37.88
FeCoP <sub>2</sub> @NPPC <sup>S2</sup>	GCE	236	83
CoFeP NS@Fe-CoP NW <sup>S3</sup>	NF	260	107
Co-Fe-P nanoboxes <sup>S4</sup>	CFP	269	31
CoFeP triangular plate arrays <sup>S5</sup>	NF	198	42
CoFeP hollow microspheres <sup>S6</sup>	GCE	350	59
CoFeP hollow cube <sup>S7</sup>	GCE	180	55
CoFeP NFs/NPCNT <sup>S8</sup>	GCE	278	39.5
Co <sub>0.17</sub> Fe <sub>0.79</sub> P/NC <sup>S9</sup>	GCE	299	44
FeCo-P/C Nanocomposites <sup>S10</sup>	RDE	362	50.1
CoP-FeP/CC <sup>S11</sup>	CC	250	131

based electrocatalysts for OER in 1.0 M KOH.

Fe-Co-P hollow spheres <sup>S12</sup>	RDE	252	33
Fe-CoP triangle plate arrays <sup>S13</sup>	NF	230	43
Co <sub>0.7</sub> Fe <sub>0.3</sub> P/C <sup>S14</sup>	RDE	270	27
Fe-CoP <sup>S15</sup>	NF	190	36
3D porous Co-Fe-P foam <sup>\$16</sup>	Cu foam	294	40
Co <sub>0.7</sub> Fe <sub>0.3</sub> P/CNT <sup>S17</sup>	CFP	243	36
FeCoP UNSAs $(j=20 \text{ mA cm}^{-2})^{S18}$	NF	260	63
Co/Fe phosphides <sup>S19</sup>	NF	244	58
Co-Fe-P nanosheets arrays (This work)	СС	240	36

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