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## **Supporting material**

Constructing of cobalt-embedded in nitrogen-doped carbon material with desired porosity derived from MOFs confined growth within graphene aerogel as a superior catalyst towards HER and ORR

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Figure S1. (a) SEM, (b) TEM of MOFs.

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Figure S2. (a) SEM of GA, (b) and (c) SEM of MOFs@GA.



Figure S3. (a) TEM, (b) HRTEM of Co/N/GA.



Figure S4. XRD of (a) MOFs and (b) Co/N/GA.



Figure S5. (a) Co 2p XPS spectrum of Co-N-GA, XPS survey spectrum of (b) MOFs and (c) Co/N/GA, (d) high-resolution N 1s XPS spectrum of Co/N/GA.

Table S1. Atomic percentage of C, N, Co, O and N functionalities of Co-N-GA and

element	С	N	Со	0	N			
					pyridinic	pyrrolic	graphitic	oxidized
					Ν	Ν	Ν	N
Co-N-GA	95.4%	2.35%	0.44%	1.78%	0.48%	0.34%	1.30%	0.23%
Co/N/GA	94.5%	1.43%	0.17%	3.88%	0.59%	0.15%	0.34%	0.34%

Co/N/GA from XPS survey spectrum.



Figure S6. Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms of (a) GA and (c) Co/N/GA, pore size distribution curve of (b) GA and (d) Co/N/GA.



Figure S7. Tafel slopes of Co-N-GA, Co/N/GA and Pt/C in (a) 1 M KOH and (b) 1 M

PBS (pH = 7).



Figure S8. (a) LSV of Co-N-GA using rotating ring disk electrode (RRDE) at a rotation speed of 1600 rpm and (b) the corresponding electron transfer numbers.