
Electronic Supplementary Information

In-situ structural evolution of multi-site alloy electrocatalyst to manipulate intermediate for enhanced water oxidation reaction

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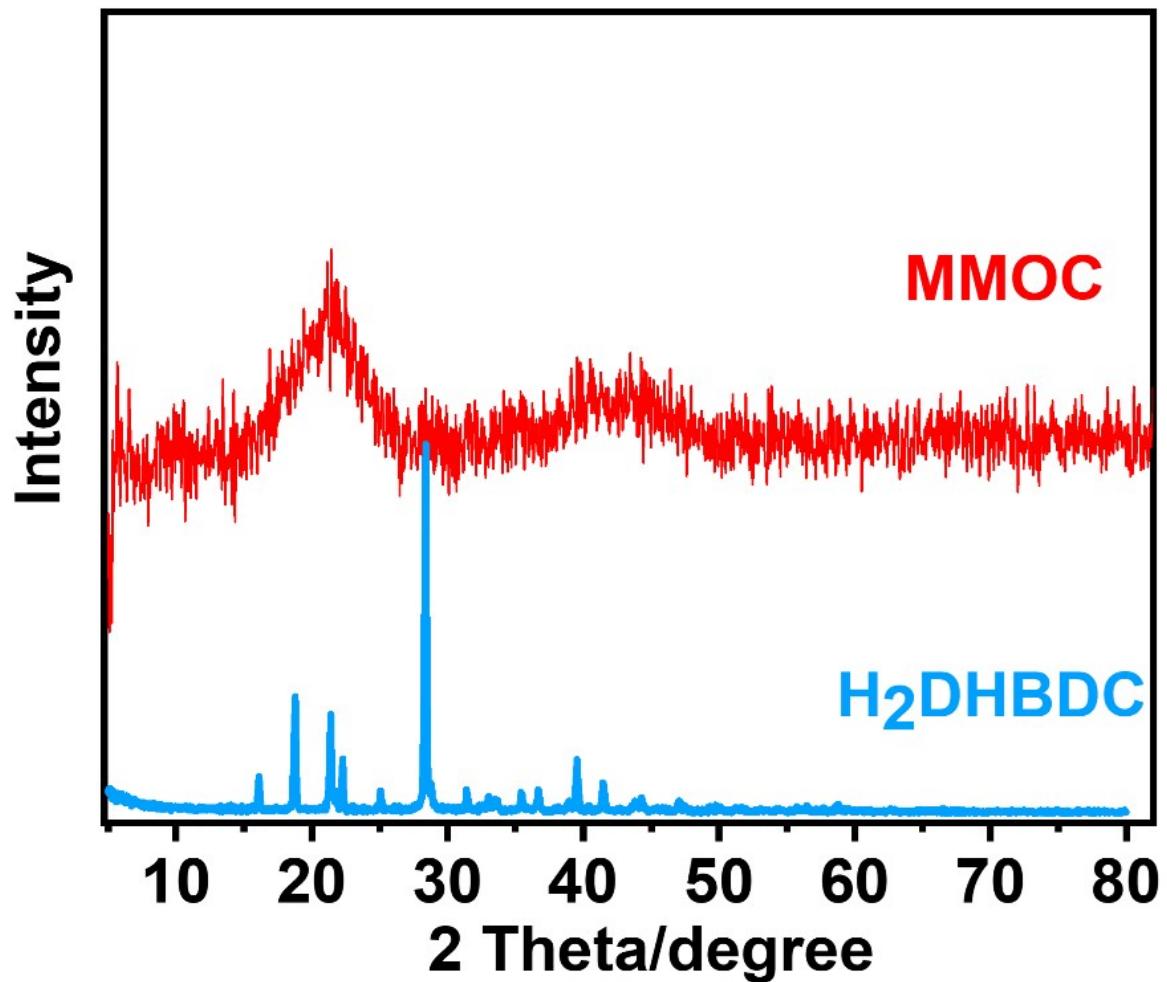


Fig. S1, The XRD pattern of MMOC.

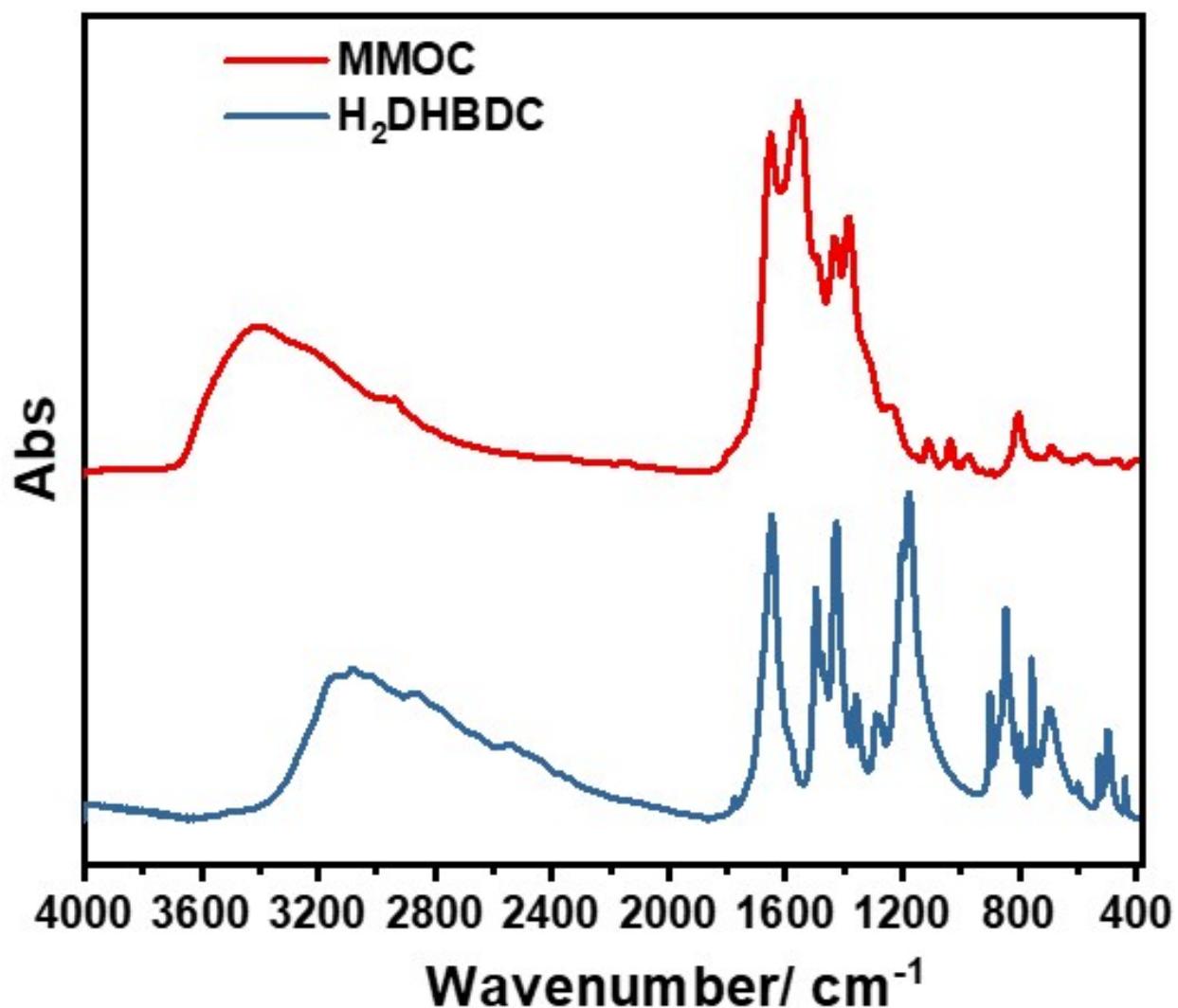


Fig. S2, FT-IR spectrum of MMOC and H₂DHBDC ligand.

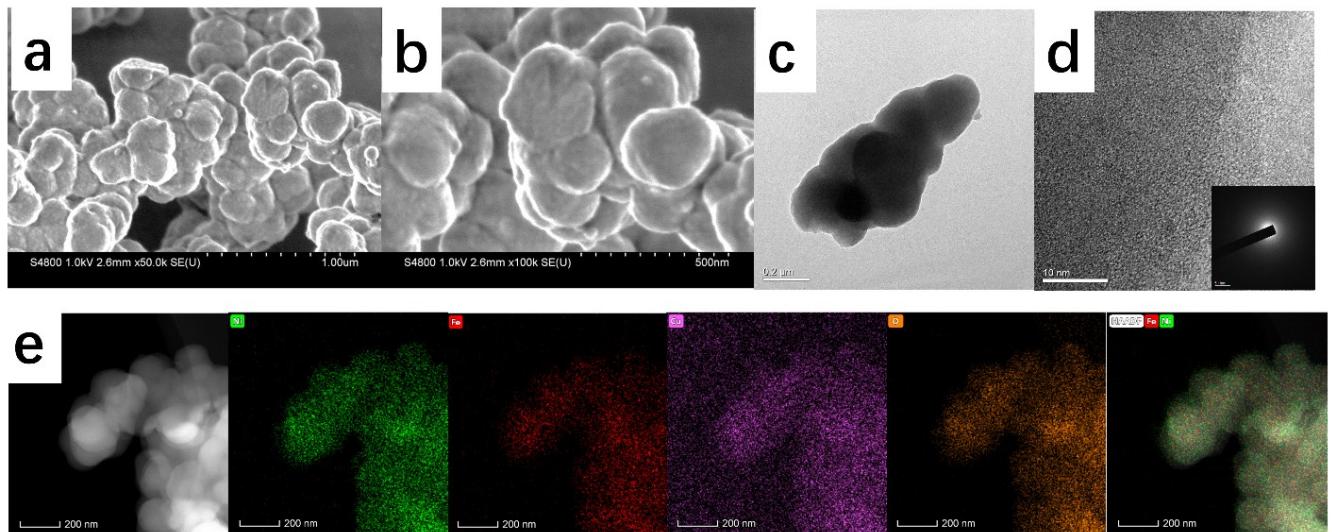


Fig. S3. (a-b) SEM images of MMOC. (c) TEM image of MMOC. (d)HRTEM image of MMOC,Inset image:corresponding SAED pattern.(e) HAADF-STEM images and corresponding EDS mapping analysis of MMOC. Scale bar: (a) 1 μ m, (b) 500 nm, (c) 200 nm , (d) 10 nm inset image: 5 1/nm and (e) 200 nm

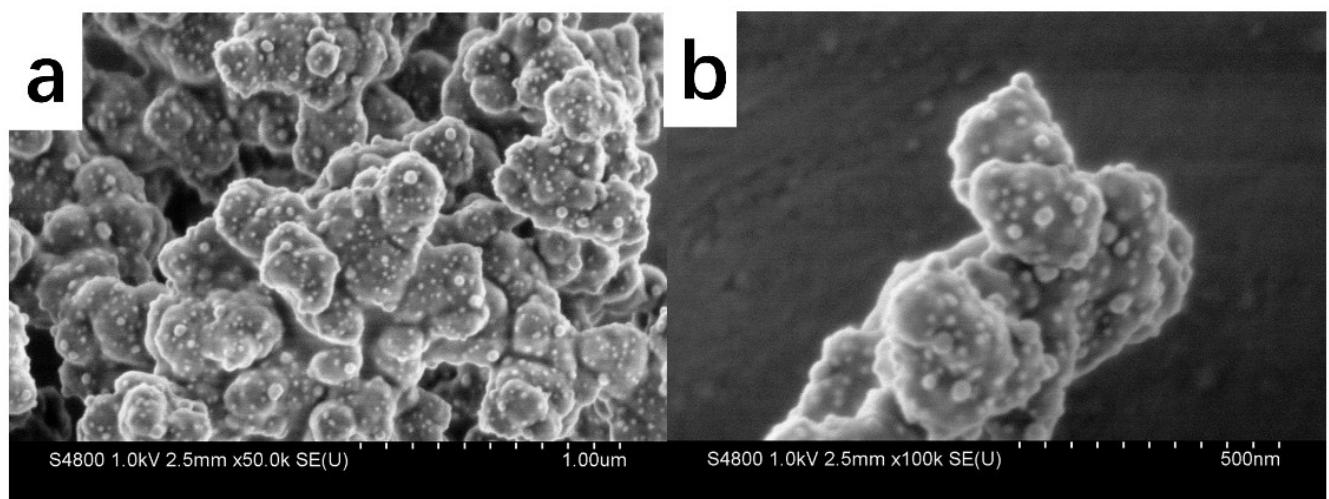


Fig. S4. SEM images of MsA. Scale bar: (a) 1 μm and (b) 500 nm.

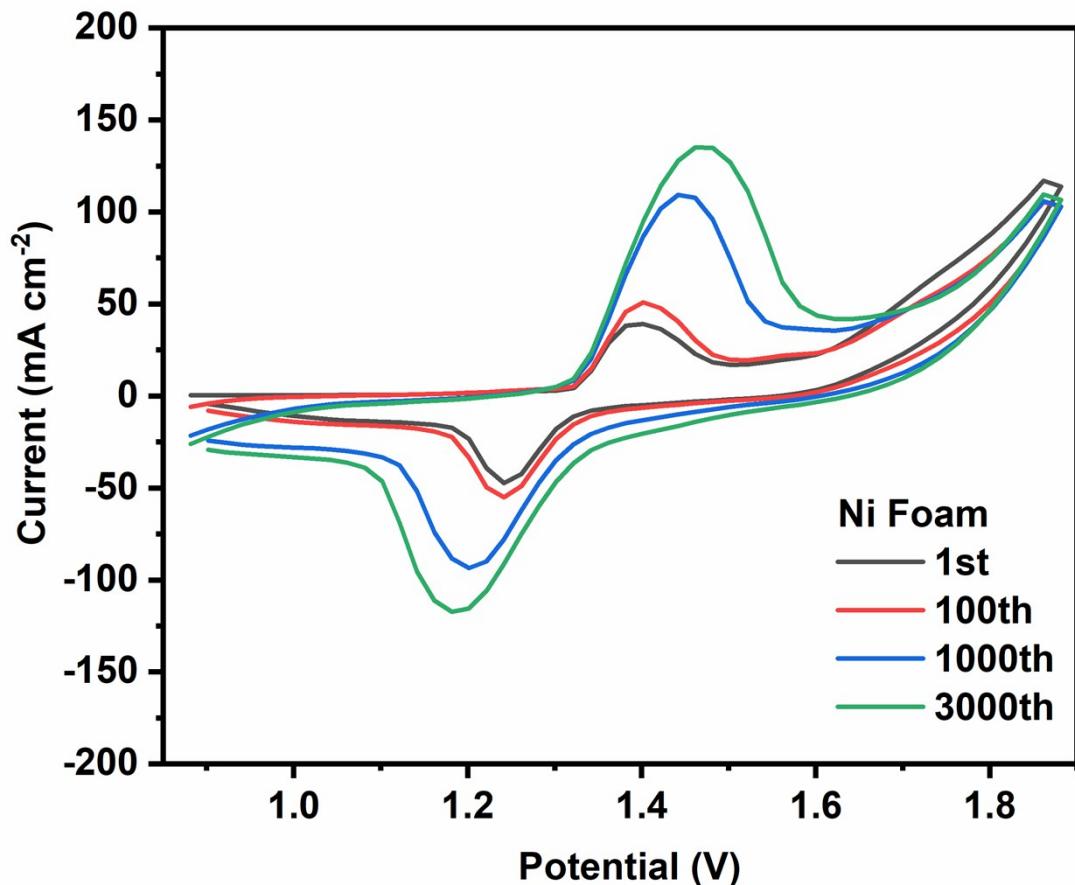


Fig. S5. CV curves of electrochemical dealloying process for Ni foam. (Cycle 1, 100, 1000 and 3000 were selected, all CV curves without iR-correction) scan rate:100 mV s⁻¹.

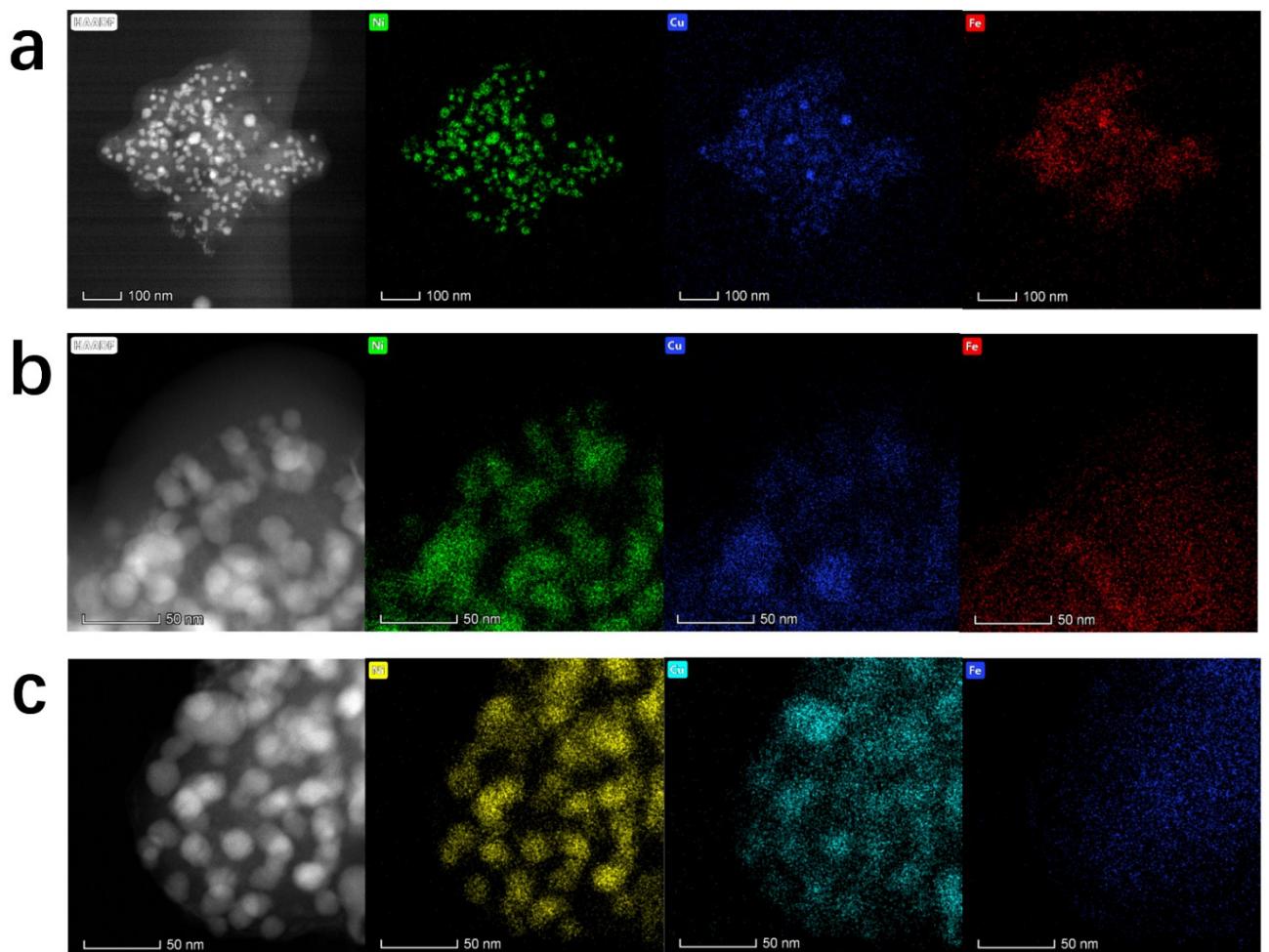


Fig. S6. HAADF-STEM images and corresponding EDS elemental mapping analysis of (a) 1 st CV (b) 100 th CV (c) 1000th CV. Scale bar: (a) 100 nm ,(b) 50 nm and (c) 50 nm.

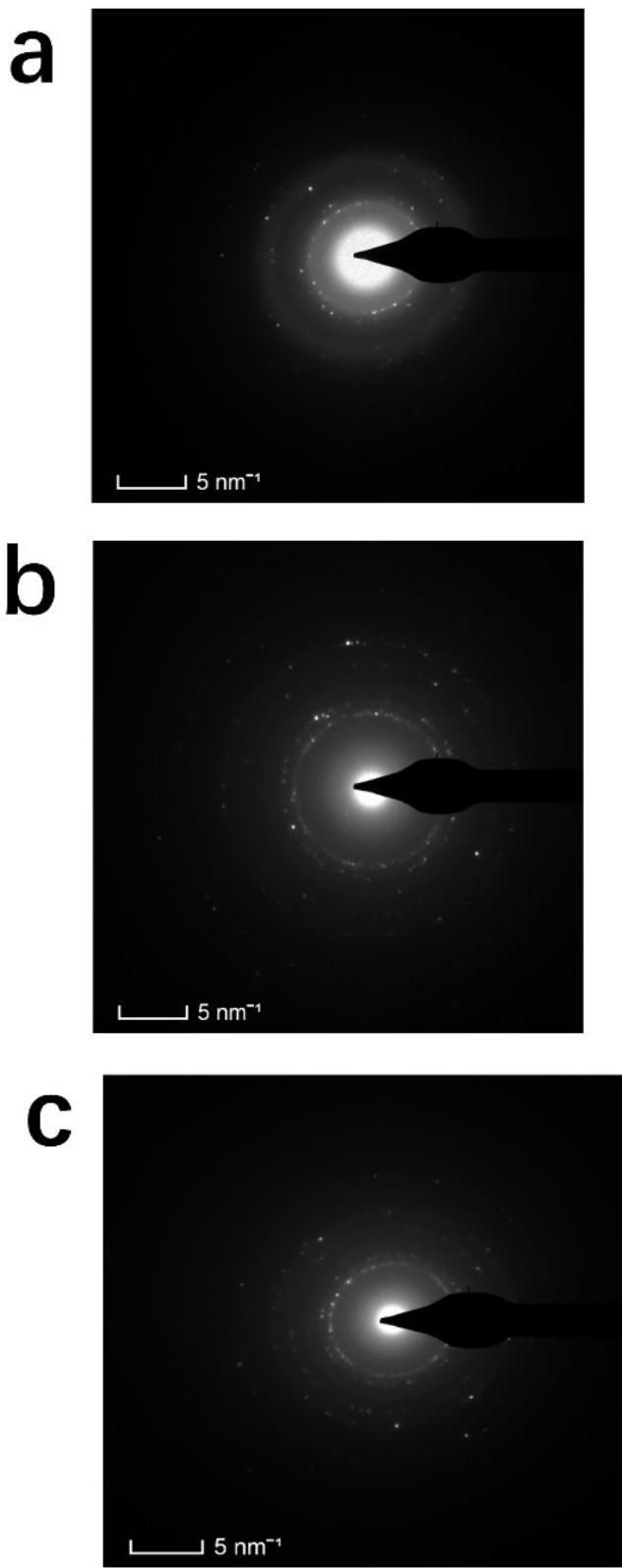


Fig. S7. SAED pattern of (a) 1 st CV (b) 100 th CV (c) 1000th CV. Scale bar : 5 nm⁻¹

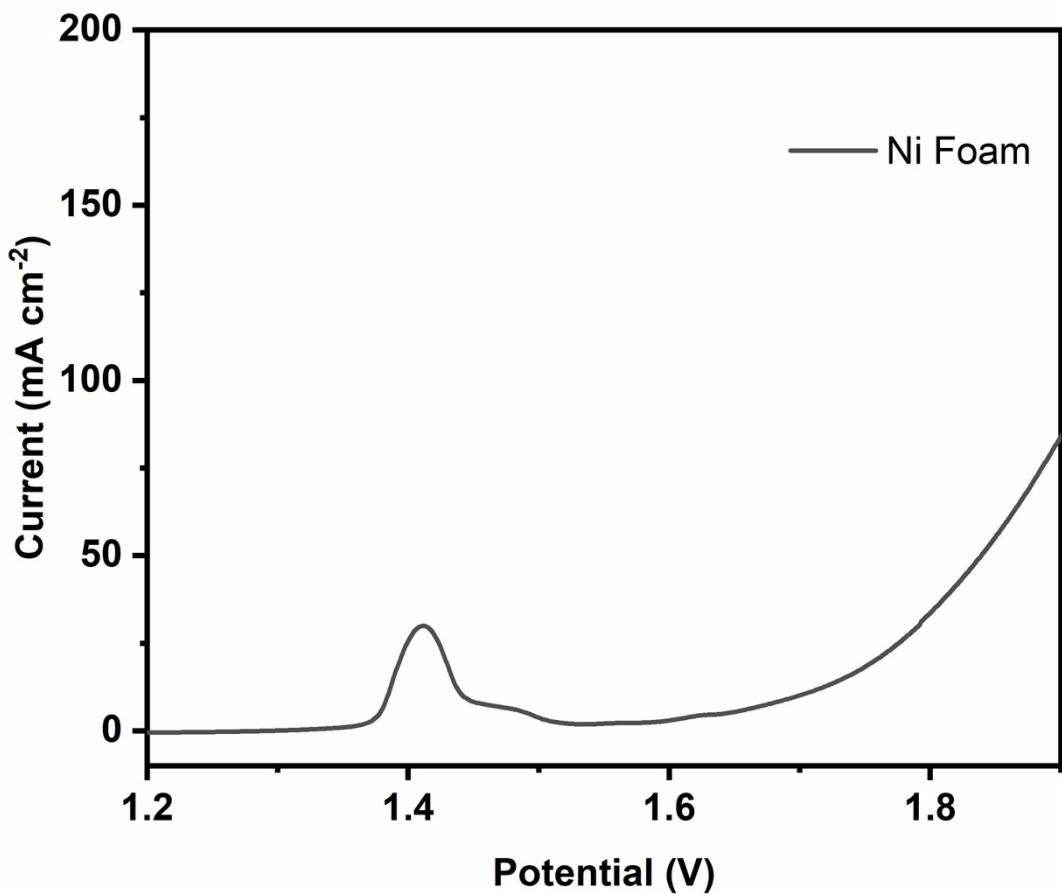


Fig. S8. LSV curve of Ni foam after 3000 cycles. Scan rate: 5 mV s^{-1} .

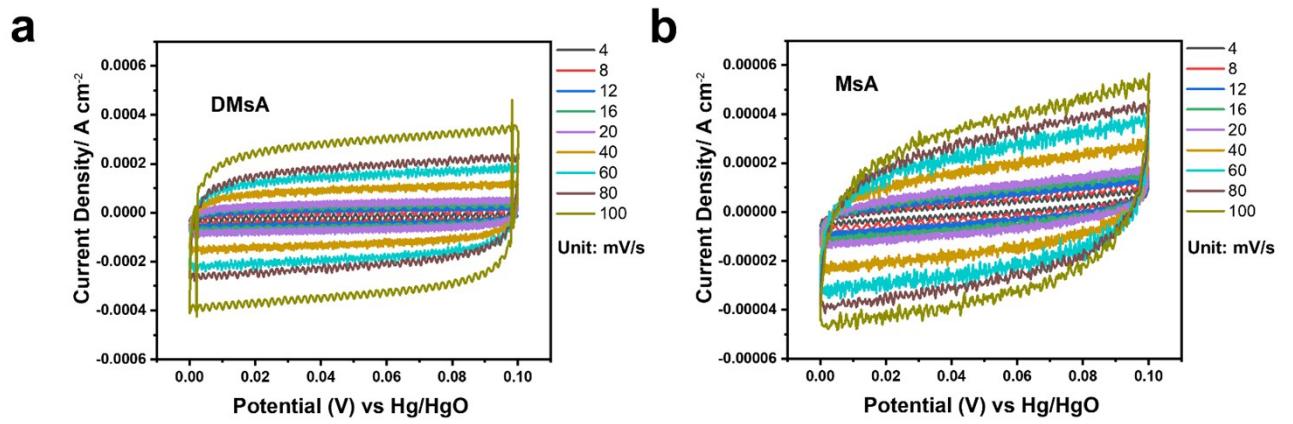


Fig. S9. CV tests at various scan rates for calculating the ECSA.

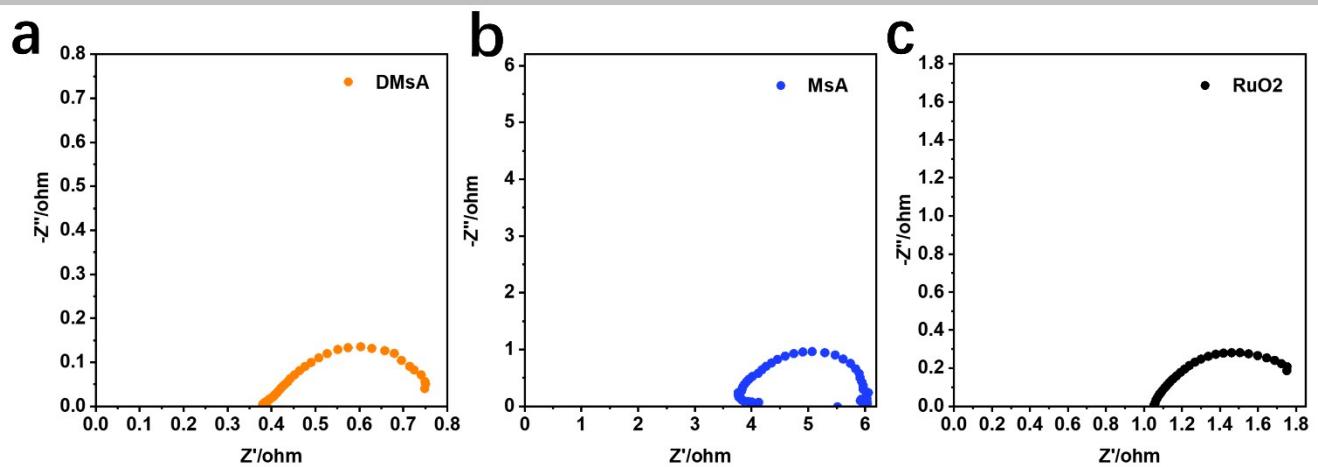


Fig. S10. EIS analysis performed at the potential corresponding with 100 mA cm^{-2} of LSV curves. (a) DMsA, (b) MsA and (c) commercial RuO₂ catalyst.

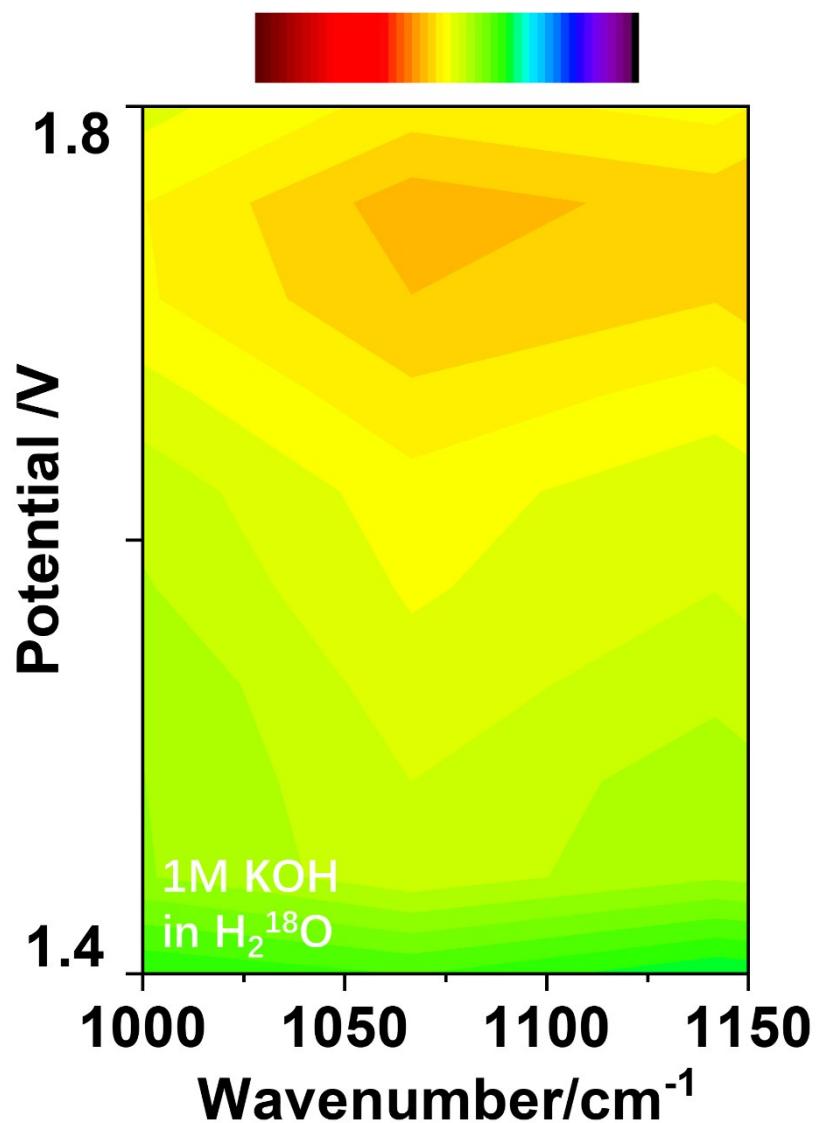


Fig. S11. 2D contour image of operando ATR FT-IR spectrum for DMsA electrocatalyst in 1 M KOH in H₂¹⁸O at the potential range from 1.4 to 1.8 V vs RHE.

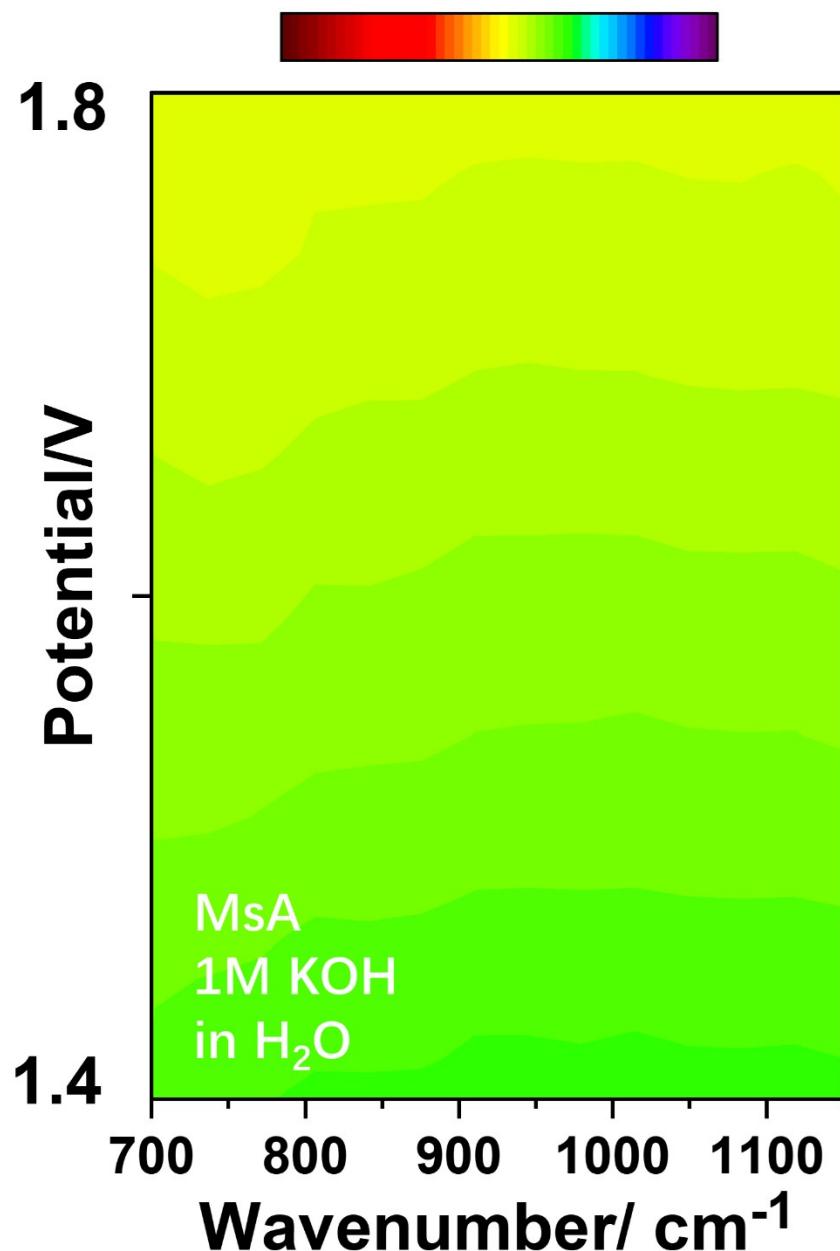


Fig. S12. 2D contour image of operando ATR FT-IR spectrum for MsA electrocatalyst in 1 M KOH in H₂O at the potential range from 1.4 to 1.8 V vs RHE.

Table S1. ICP-AES results of MsA and DmsA.

Sample name	Element	Concentrate (mg/L)
MsA	Ni	15.23
	Fe	5.042
	Cu	4.805
DMsA	Ni	72.69
	Fe	17.11
	Cu	13.13

Table S2. OER performance comparison with recently reported results

Electrocatalysts	Current density (mA cm ⁻²)	Corresponding Overpotential (mV)	Tafel slope (mV dec ⁻¹)	Cycling performance	Reference
DMsA	10	~170	34	200 h at 100 mA cm ⁻²	This work
	100	250			
S NiNx-PC/EG ¹	10	280	45	10 h at 100 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Nat. Commun.</i> 2019, 10 , 1392.
	100	330			
G-FeCoW ²	10	191	—	500 h at 30 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Science</i> 2016, 352 , 333-337
	100	—			
Fe-ultrathin TiO ₂ nanobelt (Fe-UTN) ³	10	270	37	10 h at 10 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.</i> 2019, 56 , 2313–2317.
	100	376			
Co _{1.5} Fe _{0.5} P ⁴	10	278	57	10 h at 10 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.</i> 2020, 59 , 465-470.
	100	330			
CoBDC-NF ⁵	10	178	51	80 h at 100 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Nat. Commun.</i> 2019, 10 , 50348.
	100	241			
W-Ni(OH) ₂ ⁶	10	237	33	3 h from 50 to 100 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Nat. Commun.</i> 2019, 10 , 2149.
	100	~280			
Co ₃ Sn ₂ S ₂ sp(single particle) ⁷	10	270	74	12 h at 10 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Sci. Adv.</i> 2019, 5 , eaaw9867.
	100	~390			
amorphous LaNiFe hydroxide (a-LNF(t-d)) ⁸	10	189	36	100 h at 10 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> 2019, 31 , 1900883.
	100	310			
FeOOH (Se)/IF ⁹	10	287	54	14 h at 10 mA cm ⁻²	<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> 2019, 141 , 7005–7013.
	100	364			
NiFe-LDH@NiCu ¹⁰	10	218	57	6 h at 320 mV (~45 mA cm ⁻²)	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> 2019, 31 , 1806769.
	80	~370			
AN-CuNiFe ¹¹	10	224	44	12 h at 10 mA cm ⁻²	<i>Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.</i> 2019, 131 , 4233–4238.
	50	330			

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