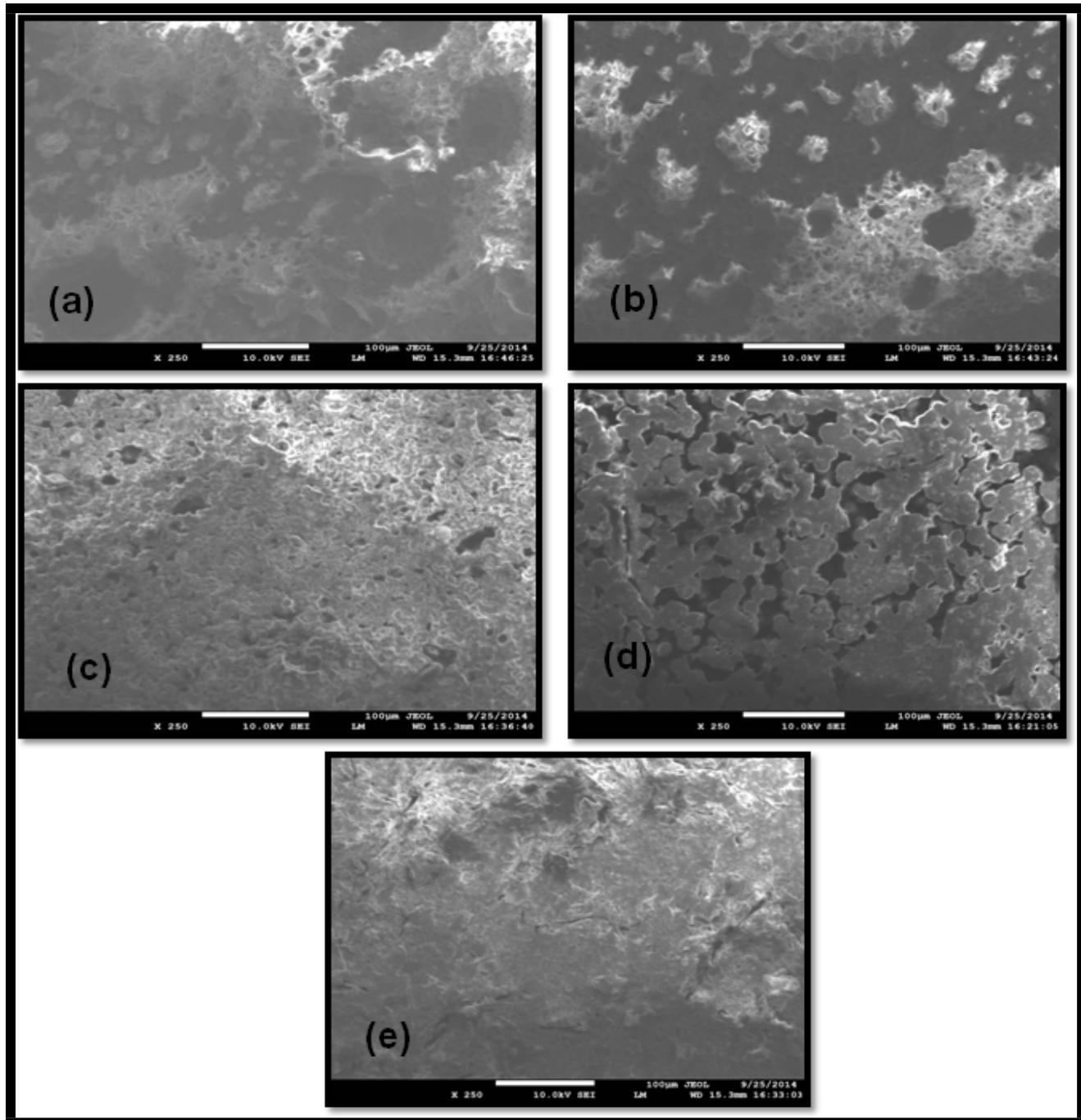
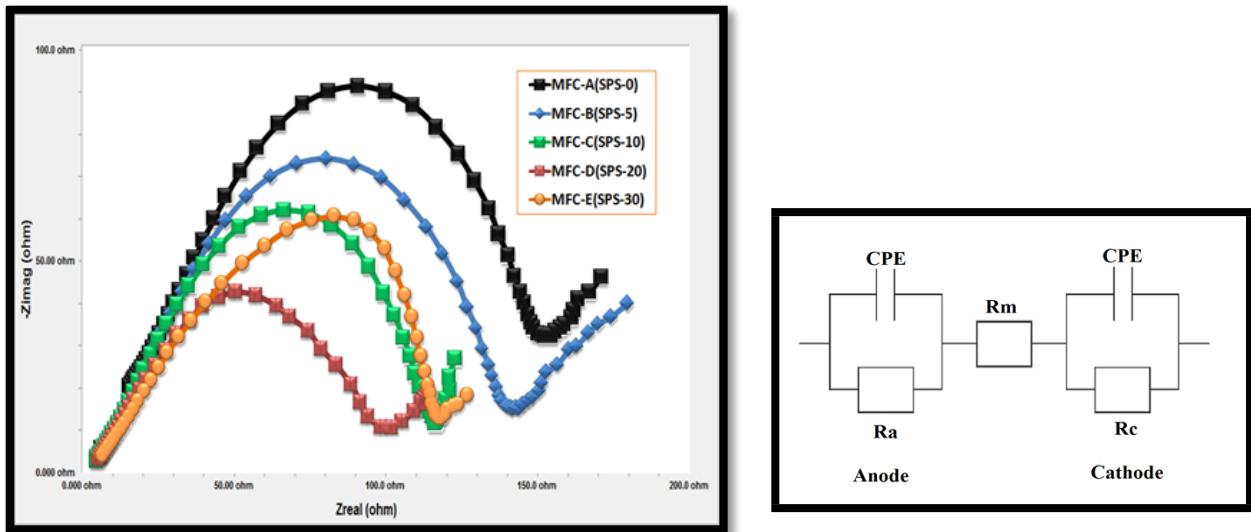


## Supporting Information

**Figure S1:** FESEM of membranes a) SPS-0, b) SPS-5, c) SPS-10,d) SPS-20 and e) SPS-30



**Figure S2:** Electrochemical Impedance of MFCs and equivalent circuit representing ohmic resistance ( $R_m$ )



**Table S1:** Comparison of membranes in terms of costs

Membranes	Costs (USD)
Nafion	~1.8-2.3\$/cm <sup>2</sup>
AEMs(e.g., AMI 7001)	~1.2-1.6\$/cm <sup>2</sup>
CEMs(e.g., CMI 7000)	~0.6-1.2\$/cm <sup>2</sup>
Semi-IPN SS and SPVdF-co-HFP membranes	~0.3-0.5\$/100cm <sup>2</sup>

**Table S2:** A comparative study of MFCs in terms of power generation using different membranes

<u>MFC Type</u>	<u>Electrodes</u>	<u>Used</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>References</u>
		<u>Membranes</u>	<u>Power density</u>	
Dual chamber with oxygen flow at cathode	Carbon papers	Nafion 117	600 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	1
Air cathode MFC	Carbon Brush	Glass fibers	240±22 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	2
	Carbon Mesh	Coated Glass fibers	230 ± 3.3 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	
Air cathode MFC	Carbon papers	Nafion 117	239.4 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	3
Air cathode MFC	Carbon papers	SPEEK/PES	170 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	4
Dual chamber	Graphite Plates	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /PES nanocomposite	20 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	5
Single chamber (tubular) MFC	Carbon cloths	GO-PVA-STA composite	139 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	6
Air cathode MFC	Carbon cloths	Sulfonated styrene(SS)/ sulfonated PVdF-co-HFP semi-IPN membranes	447.42 ± 22 mWm <sup>-2</sup>	Present study

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