

Supporting Information

Homologous Metal-Free Electrocatalysts Grown on Three-Dimensional Carbon Networks for Overall Water Splitting in Acid and Alkaline Media

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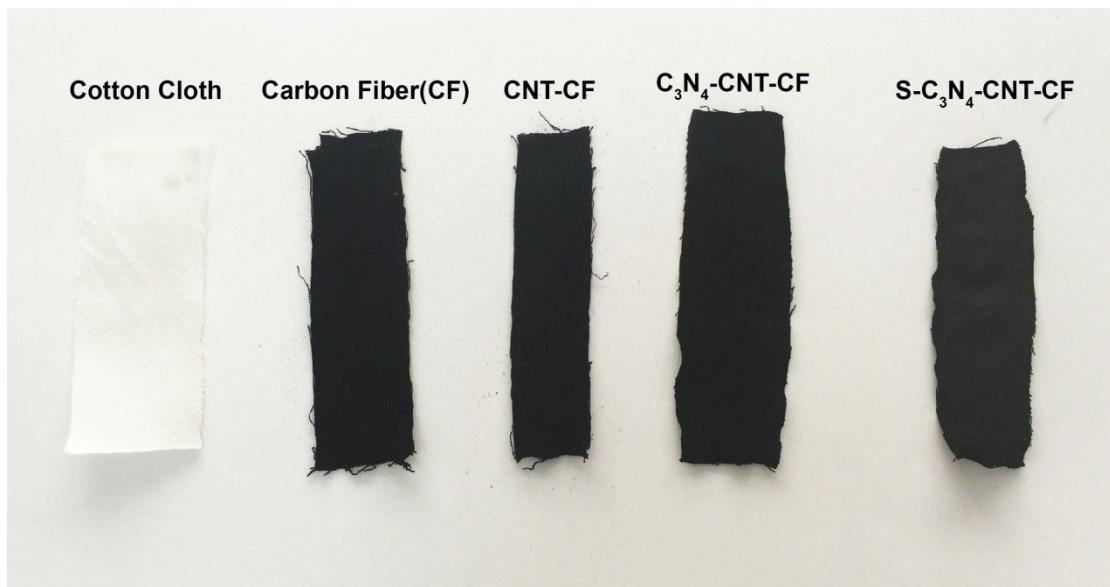


Figure S1. Photograph of the various electrodes during the synthesize porcedure.

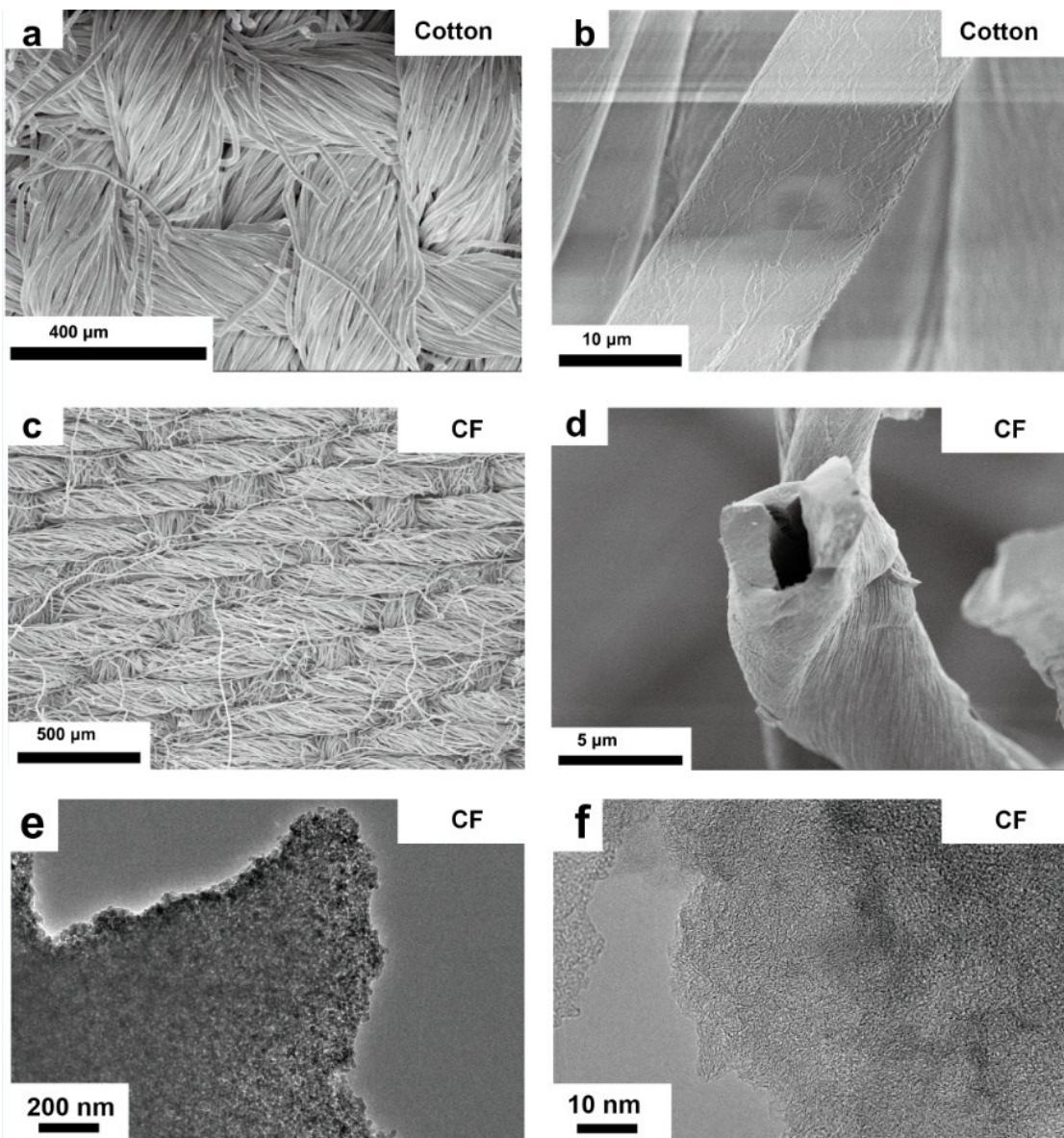


Figure S2. SEM images of (a) cotton and (b) carbon fiber. TEM images of (c) carbon fiber.

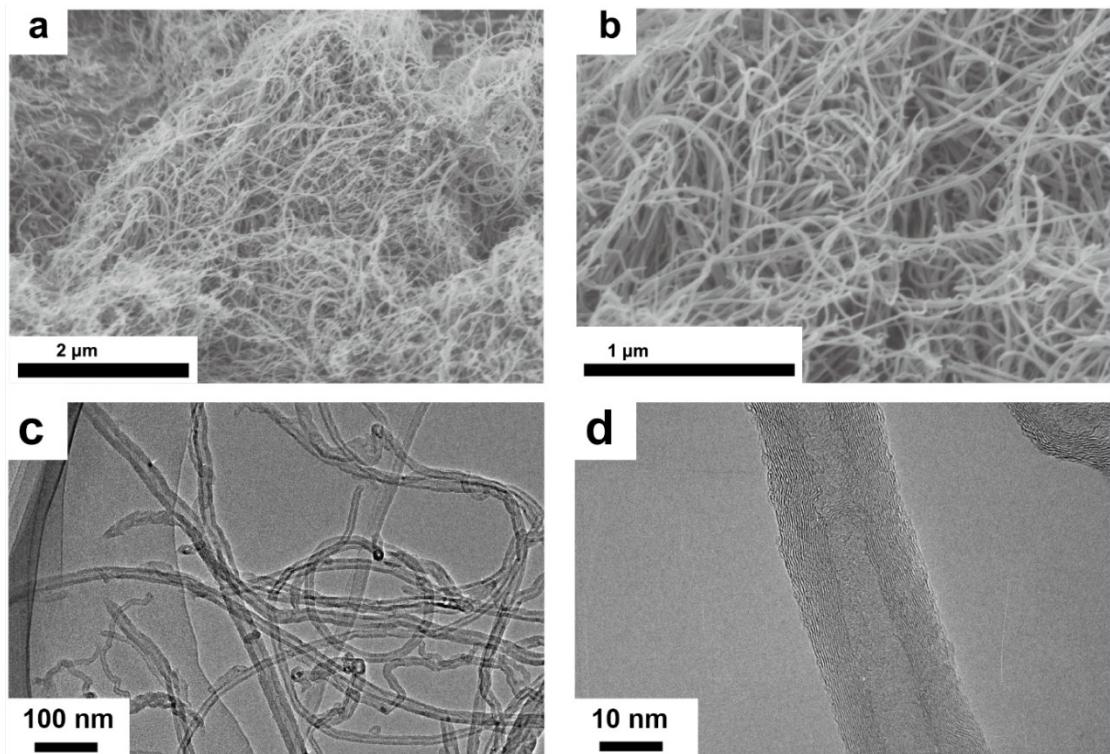


Figure S3. (a-b) SEM and (c-d) TEM images of CNTs.

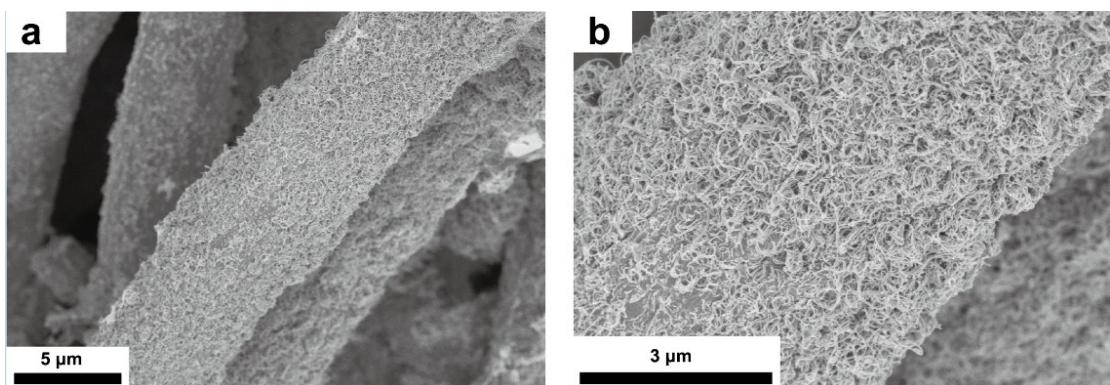


Figure S4. (a-b) SEM image of CNT-CF samples.

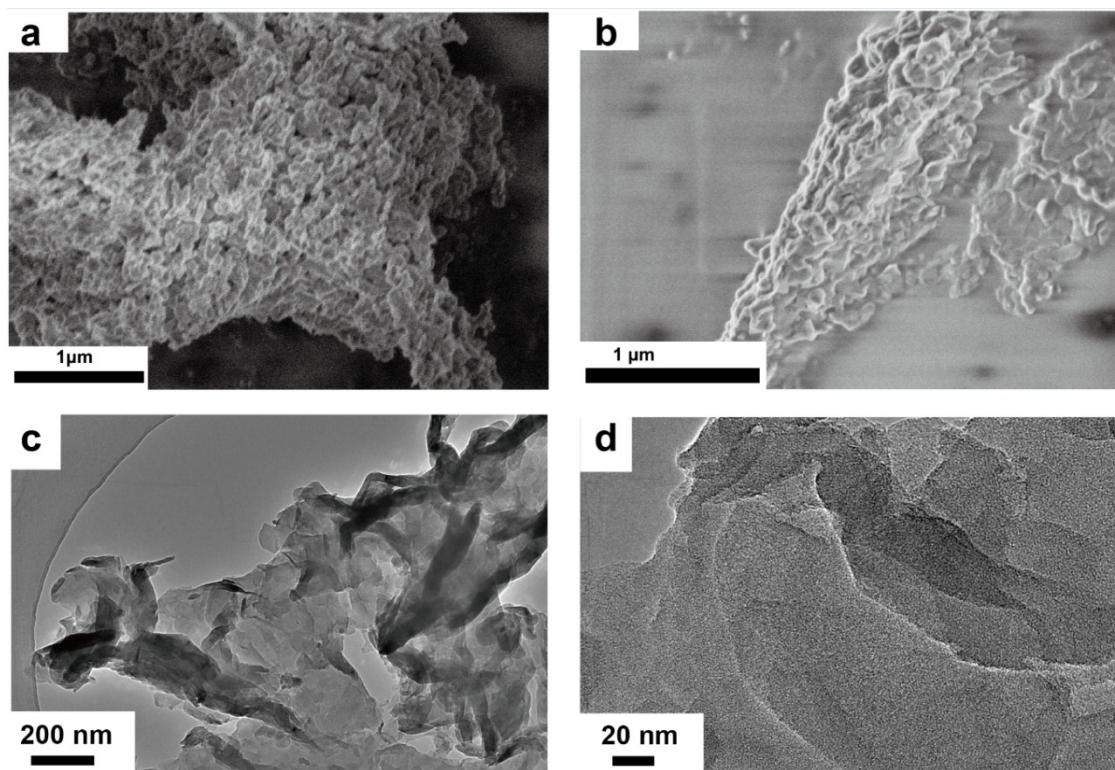


Figure S5. (a-b) SEM and (c-d) TEM images of C_3N_4 samples.

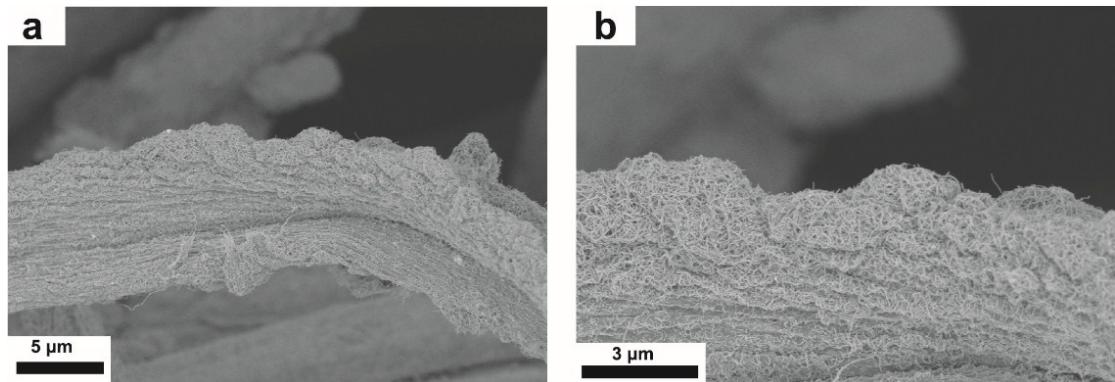


Figure S6. SEM images of S- C_3N_4 -CNT-CF electrode.

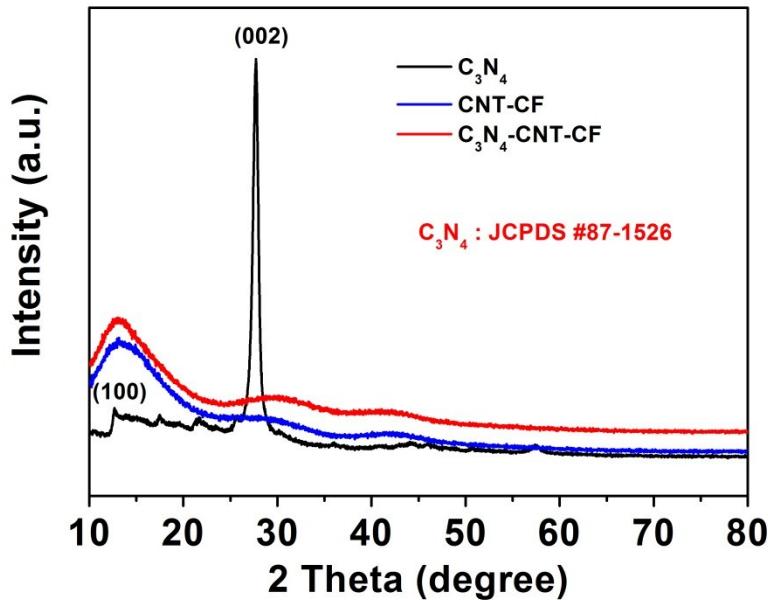


Figure S7. X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns of C_3N_4 , CNT-CF and C_3N_4 -CNT-CF.

Seen in Figure S7, the pure C_3N_4 presents two typical diffraction peaks of (100) and (002), belongs to the PDF No. 87-1526.

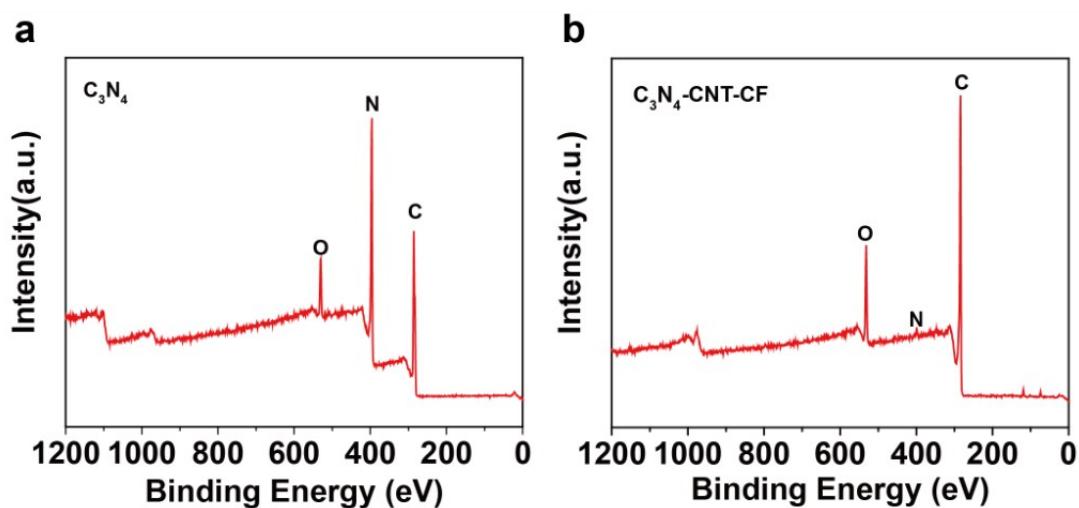


Figure S8. XPS survey spectra of (a) C_3N_4 and (b) C_3N_4 -CNT-CF. The whole XPS survey spectrum of these two sample shows the main elements (C and N), with a small amount of adsorbed oxygen.

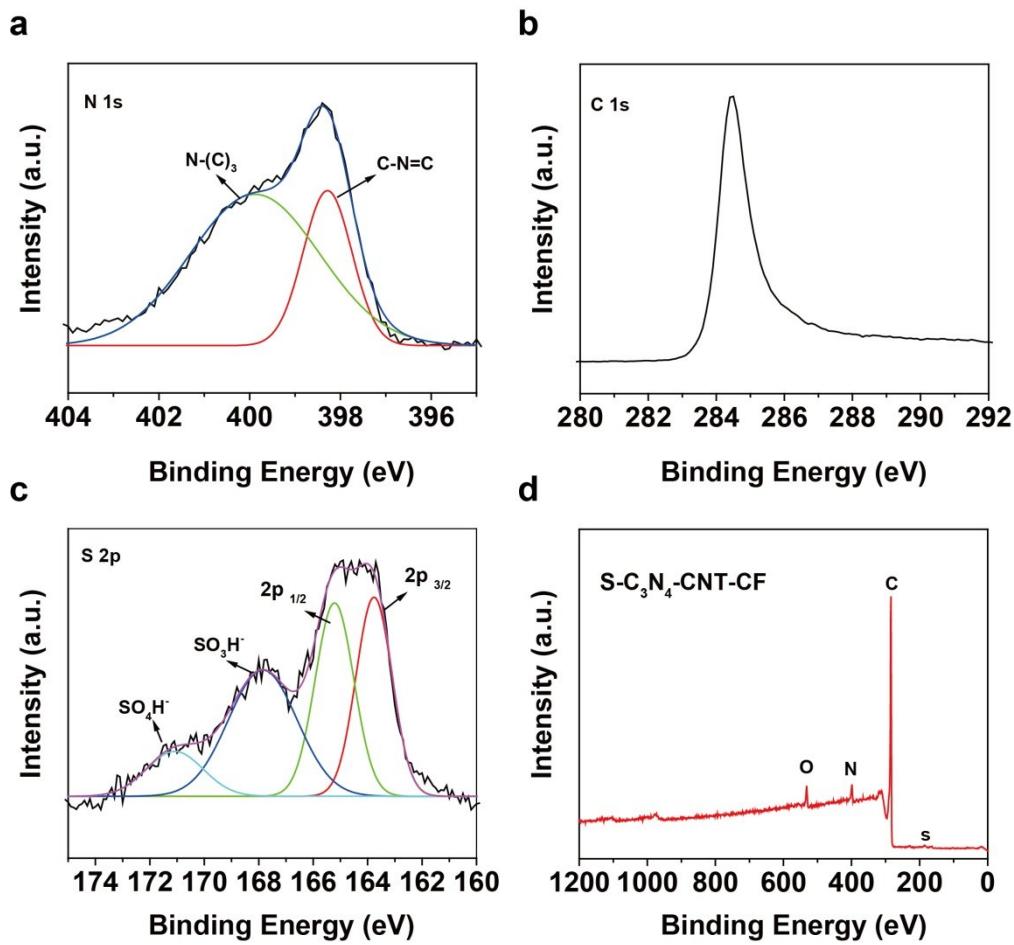


Figure S9. High-resolution XPS spectra of (a) N 1s , (b) C 1s and (c) S 2p core levels and (d) XPS survey spectrum of S-C₃N₄-CNT-CF.

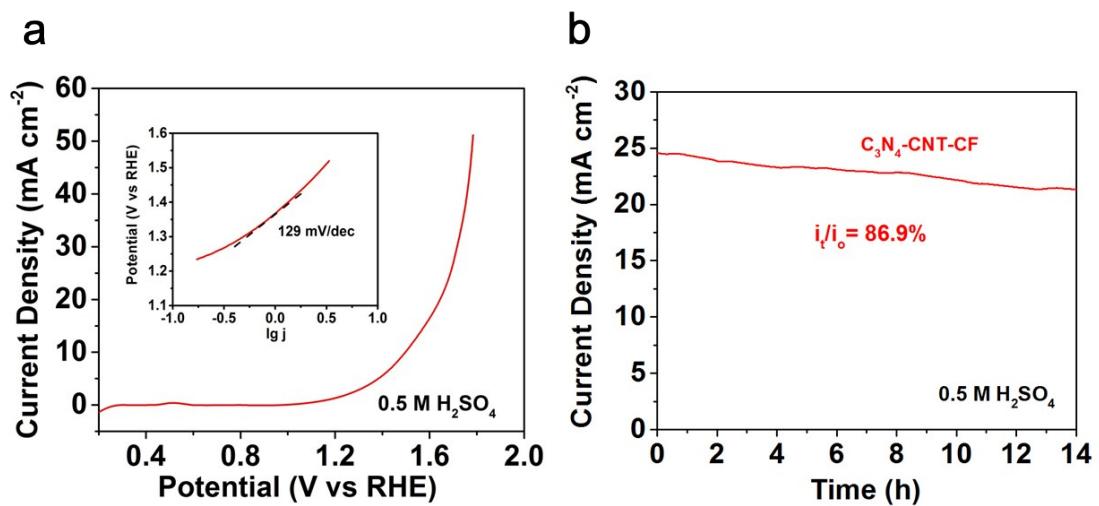


Figure S10. (a) LSV curves and (b) duration tests at 1.63 V of C₃N₄-CNT-CF in 0.5 M H₂SO₄ solution at 5 mV s⁻¹.

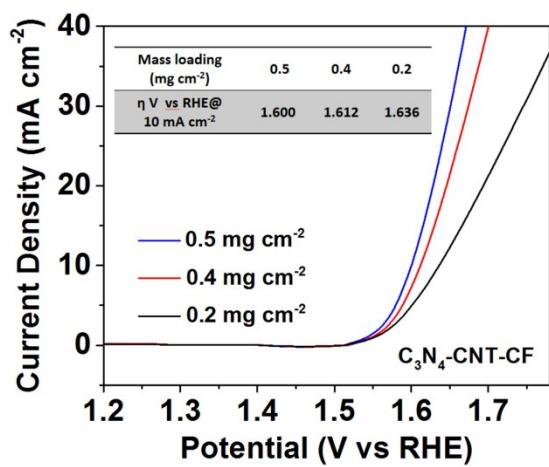


Figure S11. The OER activities of $\text{C}_3\text{N}_4\text{-CNT-CF}$ with various mass loading including 0.5, 0.4 and 0.2 mg cm^{-2} , in 1 M KOH solution. Inset: applied potential to achieve the current density of 10 mA cm^{-2} at different loading masses.

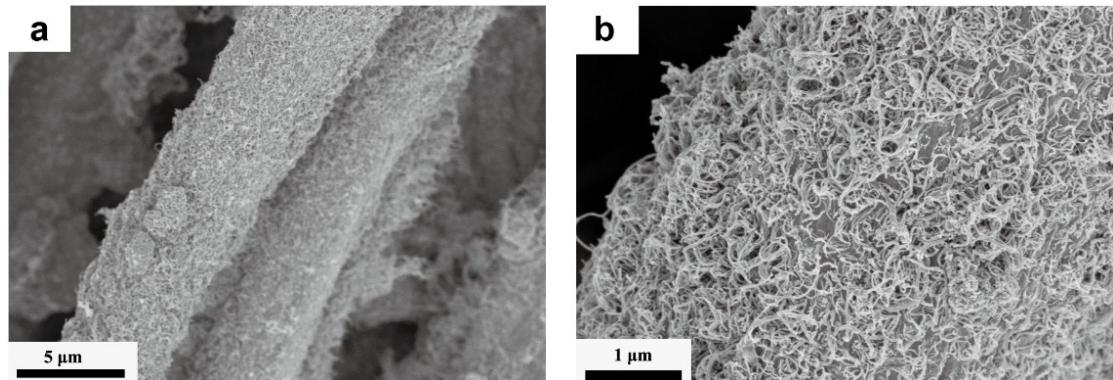


Figure S12. The morphology of $\text{C}_3\text{N}_4\text{-CNT-CF}$ electrode after long-time duration test in 1M KOH solution.

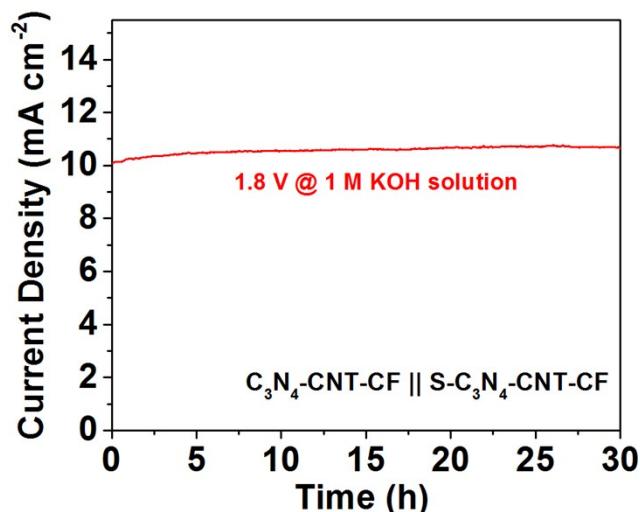


Figure S13. The long-time duration tests of $\text{C}_3\text{N}_4\text{-CNT-CF} \parallel \text{S-C}_3\text{N}_4\text{-CNT-CF}$ system in 1 M KOH solution at 1.8 V.

Table S1. The texture properties of all carbon electrodes

Sample	BET surface area	Pore size	Pore Volume
	(m ² /g)	(nm)	(cm ³ /g)
C ₃ N ₄	21.4	21.6	0.16
CF	8.3	36.6	0.031
CNT-CF	45.6	28.4	0.19
C ₃ N ₄ -CF	34.6	25.4	0.15
C ₃ N ₄ -CNT-CF	53.7	35.2	0.21

Table S2. Comparasion for OER catalysts

Catalyst	Loading	Electrolyte	Onset	j [mAcm ⁻²] @	Tafel slope
	[mgcm ⁻²]	pH	[V vs RHE]	η [V vs RHE]	[mV/dec]
C ₃ N ₄ -CNT-CF *	~0.5	14	1.52	10 @ 1.60	45
C ₃ N ₄ /CNT ¹	0.2	14	1.53	10 @ 1.60	44.1
P-doped C ₃ N ₄ /CFP ²	~0.2	13	1.53	10 @ 1.63	61.6
N-doped graphene/CNT ³	0.2548	13	1.50	10 @ 1.63	83
Reduced Co ₃ O ₄ ⁴	0.136	14	~1.52		72
N-graphene /NiCo ₂ O ₄ ⁵		14	1.54	5 @ 1.603	156
CoMnO@CN ⁶	~2.0	14	1.46	308 @ 1.65	97
CoNi (OH) _x ⁷		14	1.48	10 @ 1.51	77
TiN@Ni ₃ N ⁸	~0.6	14	1.52	10 @ 1.58	93.7
IrO _x ⁴		14	1.42		85

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Table S3. Comparasion for HER catalysts

Catalyst	Loading [mgcm ⁻²]	Electrolyte pH	Onset [mV]	j [mAcm ⁻²] @ η [mV]	Tafel slope [mV/dec]	j ₀ [mAcm ⁻²]
S-C ₃ N ₄ -CNT-CF		0	150	10 @ 236	81.6	0.0184
*	~0.5	14	50	10 @ 131	79	0.2767
C ₃ N ₄ -graphite ⁹	0.102	0		10 @ 240	51.5	3.5×10 ⁻⁷
C ₃ N ₄ -TiO ₂ ¹⁰		13.1	100	1.3 @ 300	120	
MoS ₂ /CNT ¹¹	0.136	0	90	10@180	44.6	
CoS ₂ nanowire ¹²	1.7 ± 0.3	0	75	10 @145	51.6	0.0188
MoB nanoparticle ¹³	2.5	0	≥100	20 @ 210	55	1.4×10 ⁻³
Mo ₂ C nanoparticle ¹³	1.4	0	≥100	20 @ 240	56	1.3×10 ⁻³
CoNiNx ⁷		0	100		130	
TiN@Ni ₃ N ⁸	~0.6	14	15	10 @ 21	42.1	
CoO _x @CN ¹⁴	2.1	14	85	20 @ 134		
Pt ¹⁵	1	0	0	2 @ 5	30	2.7

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