

Supporting Information for

Engineering a Nanotubular Mesoporous Cobalt Phosphide Electrocatalyst by Kirkendall Effect towards Highly Efficient Hydrogen Evolution Reaction

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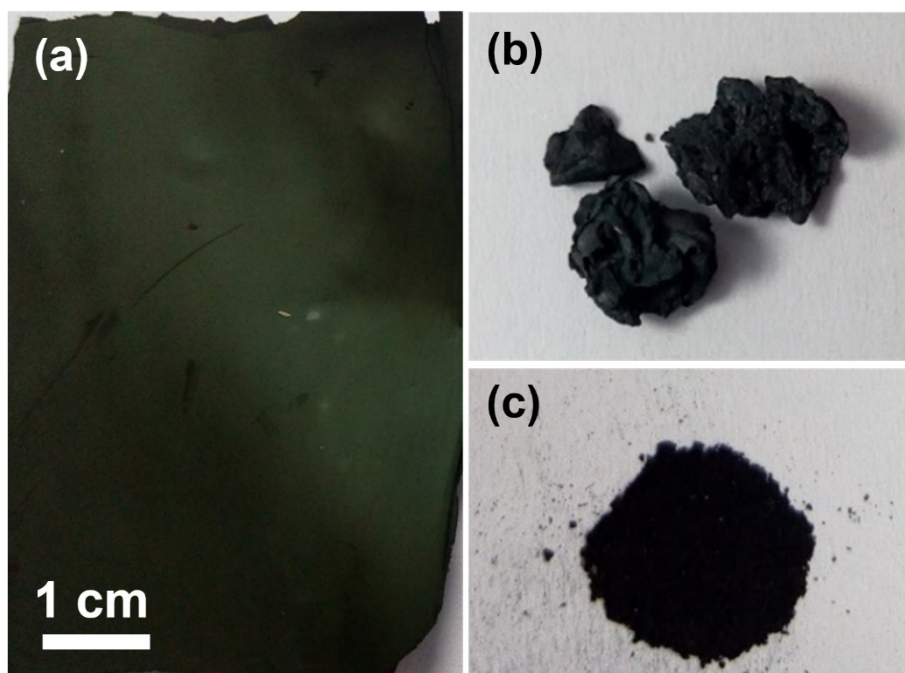


Fig. S1 Photographs of Co_3O_4 -NTs (a), $\text{W-Co}_3\text{O}_4$ -NTs (b) and Co_3O_4 -NPs (c).

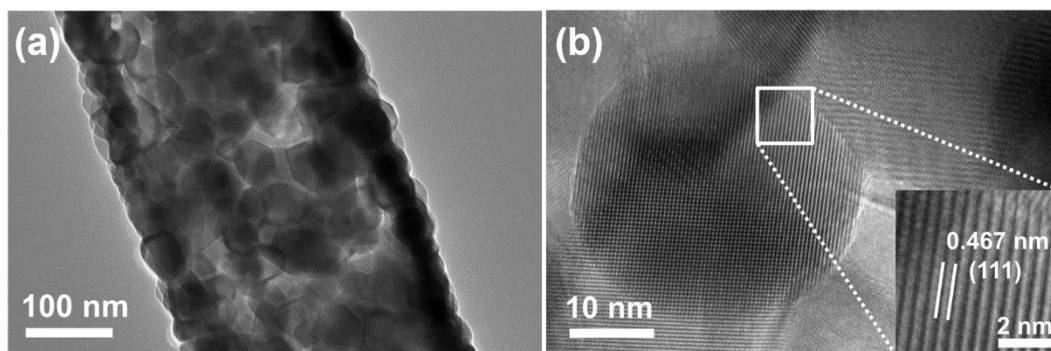


Fig. S2 (a) Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and (b) high-resolution TEM images of Co_3O_4 -NTs.

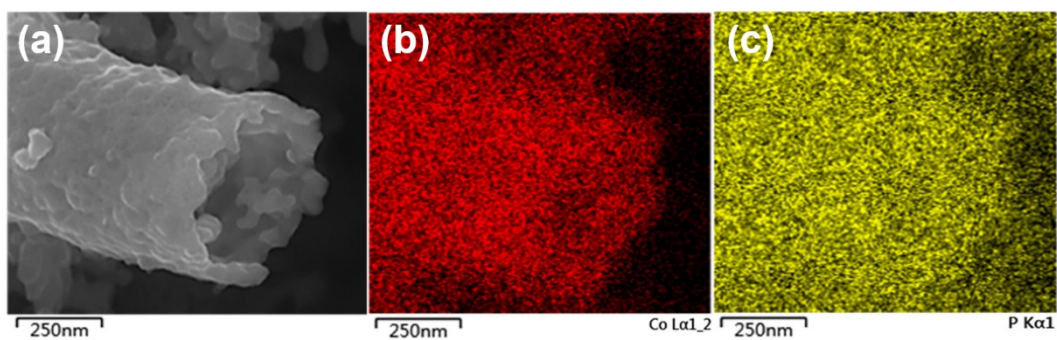


Fig. S3 (a) The field emission scanning electron microscopy image and the corresponding energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy elemental mappings of CoP-NTs: (b) Co, (c) P.

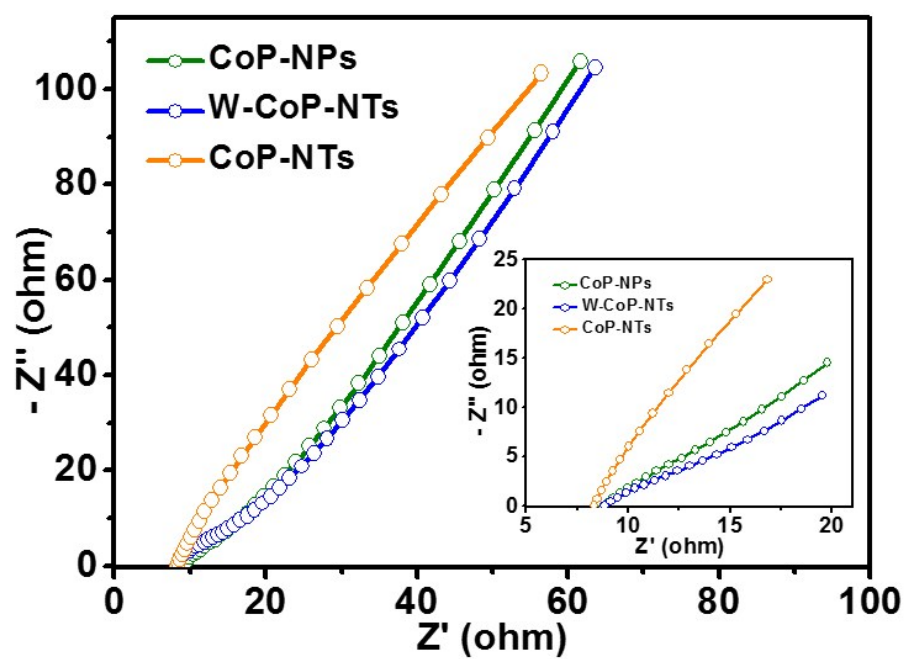


Fig. S4 Nyquist plots of CoP-NPs, W-CoP-NTs and CoP-NTs. Inset: the magnified high-frequency region of the corresponding plots.

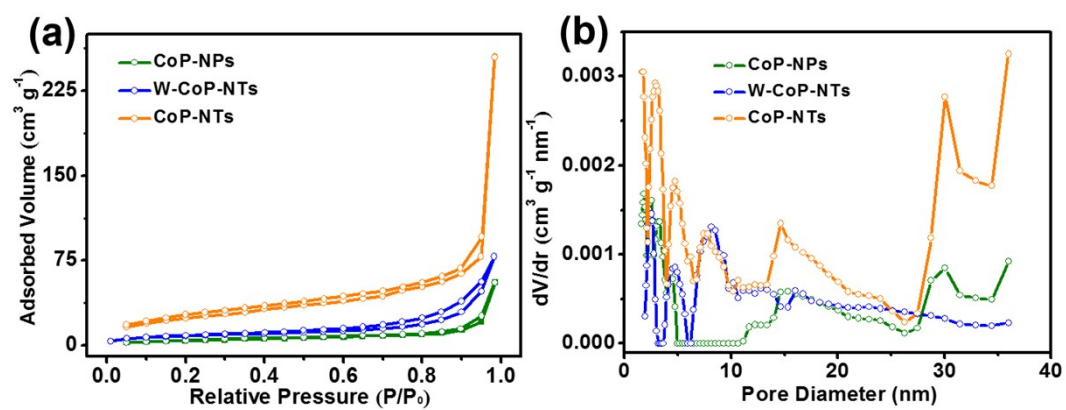


Fig. S5 (a) Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms and (b) the corresponding pore size distribution plots of CoP-NPs, W-CoP-NTs and CoP-NTs.

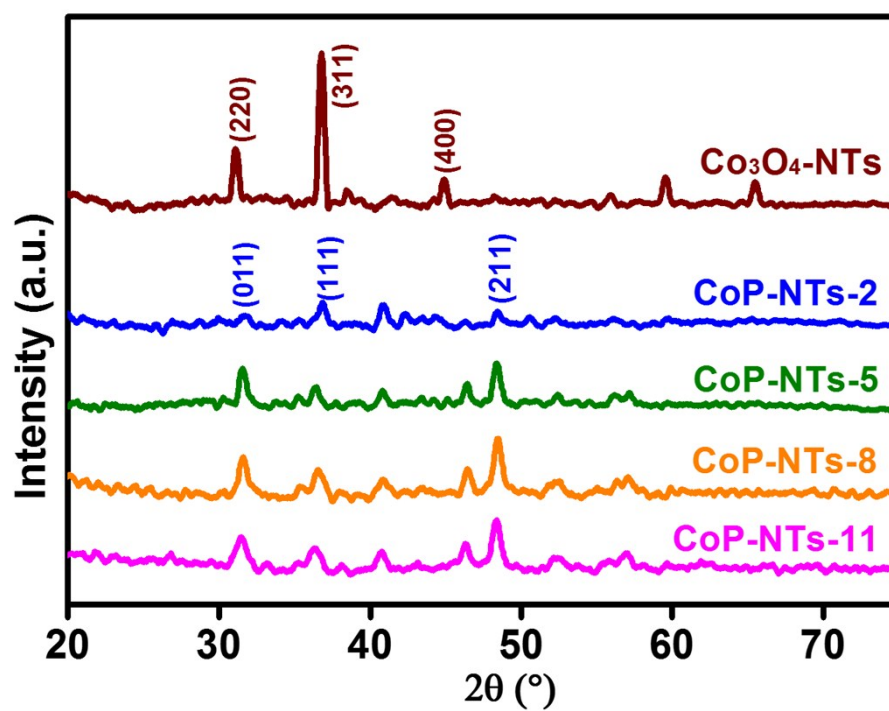


Fig. S6 X-ray diffraction patterns of Co₃O₄-NTs, CoP-NTs-2, CoP-NTs-5, CoP-NTs-8 and CoP-NTs-11, respectively.

Table. S1 Comparisons of the hydrogen evolution reaction performance for representative Co-based composites and other metal phosphide catalysts.

Catalyst	Loading mass (mg cm ⁻²)	Onset overpotential (η , mV vs. RHE)	Tafel slope (b , mV dec ⁻¹)	Current density (j , mA cm ⁻²)	η at the corresponding j (mV vs. RHE)	References
CoP nanoparticles	2	~	50	20	85	1
CoP@C nanocables	0.35	140	61	10	170	2
Co _{0.6} Mo _{1.4} N ₂ bulk	0.24	~	~	10	200	3
CoSe ₂ nanowire/carbon cloth	1.3	85	32	10	130	4
CoS ₂ nanowire	1.7	75	51.6	10	145	5
Co/nitrogen-rich CNTs	0.28	50	69	10	260	6
CoS ₂ -MoS ₂ /CNTs	0.35	70	67	80	250	7
Co ₉ S ₈ @MoS ₂ /CNFs	0.212	64	110	10	190	8
Co-Te-Se nanocompound	0.42	169	42	10	217	9
FeP nanosheets	0.28	100	67	10	240	10
MoP nanoparticles	0.071	100	60	~	~	11
MoP nanosheet/carbon cloth	2.5	50	58	>10	124	12
Ni ₂ P nanosheet/Ni foam	3.5	80	68	15	120	13
WP ₂ submicroparticles	0.5	54	57	10	161	14
CoP-NTs	0.35	53	50	10	152	This work

Notes: ^a CNTs represent carbon nanotubes; ^b CNFs represent carbon nanofibers.

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