## Electronic Supplementary Information

## Spinel cobalt-manganese oxide supported on non-oxidized carbon nanotubes as highly efficient oxygen reduction/evolution electrocatalyst

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Fig. S1. XRD patterns of CMO+CNT, CMO@oxCNT, CMO@Vulcan and CMO@rGO.



**Fig. S2.** SEM images of (a) CMO@oxCNT, (b) CMO+CNT, (c) CMO@Vulcan and (d) CMO@rGO. The insets are related EDX spectra.



**Fig. S3.** TEM images of (a) CMO@Vulcan and (b) CMO@rGO. High resolution TEM images of (c) CMO@Vulcan and (d) CMO@rGO.



Fig. S4. Current-voltage curves of prepared sample pellets.



**Fig. S5.** (a) The XPS full spectra of CMO@oxCNTs and CMO@CNTs. (b) The element content comparison of CMO@oxCNTs and CMO@CNTs.



Fig. S6. Raman spectra of CMO@CNTs, CNTs, CMO@oxCNTs, oxCNTs and CMO.



**Fig. S7.** (a-e) Cyclic voltammograms in non-Faraday reaction region at different scanning rates of prepared samples in Ar-saturated 1 M KOH aqueous solution. (f) The linear fitting of scanning rate dependent currents.



**Fig. S8.** Nitrogen adsorption/desorption isotherms of prepared samples and Pt/C. The BET specific surface area is shown.



Fig. S9. SEM images of cross section of TCP (a), TCP supporting Pt/C (b) and CMO@CNTs (c).

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Sample	Co (wt%)	Mn (wt%)	O (wt%)	C (wt%)	H (wt%)	N (wt%)
CMO@CNTs	11.56	21.98	12.79	51.00	0.93	1.74
CMO@Vulcan	11.27	21.88	12.73	51.21	1.16	1.75
CMO@rGO	11.10	22.01	12.81	51.13	1.19	1.76
CMO@oxCNT	11.48	21.85	23.11	41.30	1.01	1.25
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**Table S1.** Elemental composition of the prepared samples.

**Table S2.** Comparison of onset potential, half-wave potential and kinetic current densities.

Sample	Eonset	Rotating	E <sub>half-wave</sub>	I <sub>k</sub> (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Electrolyte	Referenc
Sumpre	(V)	Speed (rpm)	(V)			e
CMO@CNTs	0.98	1600	0.91	14.6	1 M KOH	This work
MnC02O4/N-rmGO	0.95	1600	0.88	~9.9	1 M KOH	1
CoO/NCNT	0.91	1600	0.85	~3.85	1 M KOH	2
CMO@CNTs	0.97	1600	0.85	4.95	0.1 M KOH	This work
Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /N-rmGO	0.93	1600	0.82	~2.14	0.1 M KOH	3
c-CoMn <sub>2</sub> /C	0.95	1600	0.83	3.58	0.1 M KOH	4
Nanostructured Mn	~0.86	1600	~0.75	~0.56	0.1 M KOH	5
Oxide						
CaMnO <sub>3</sub> microsphere	0.96	1600	0.76	1.39	0.1 M KOH	6
CoMn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /rGO-2.3nm	0.95	1600	~0.83	~4.2	0.1 M KOH	7

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