

Electrochemical Synthesis of Ammonia from N_2 and H_2O Using A Typical Non-noble Metal Carbon-based Catalyst under Ambient Conditions

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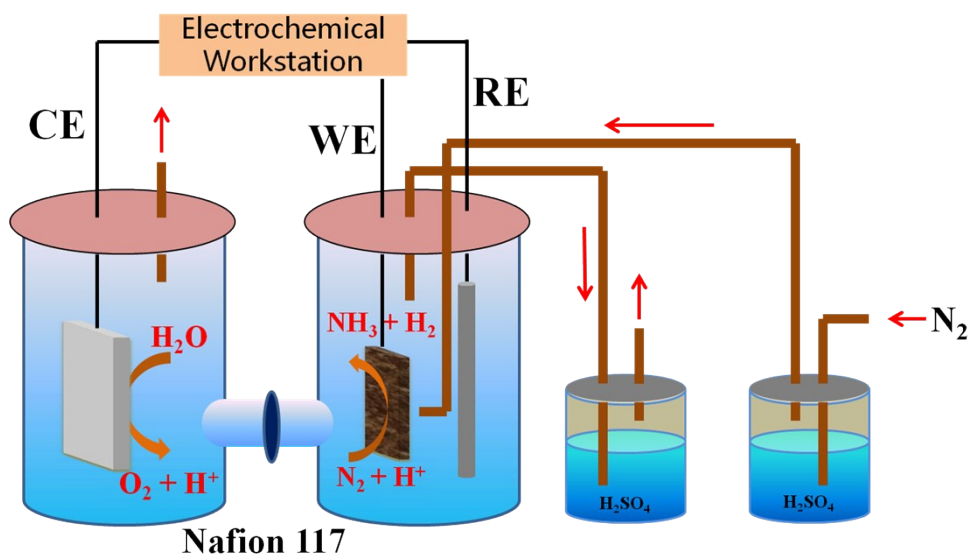


Figure.S1 The schematic diagram of the experimental device

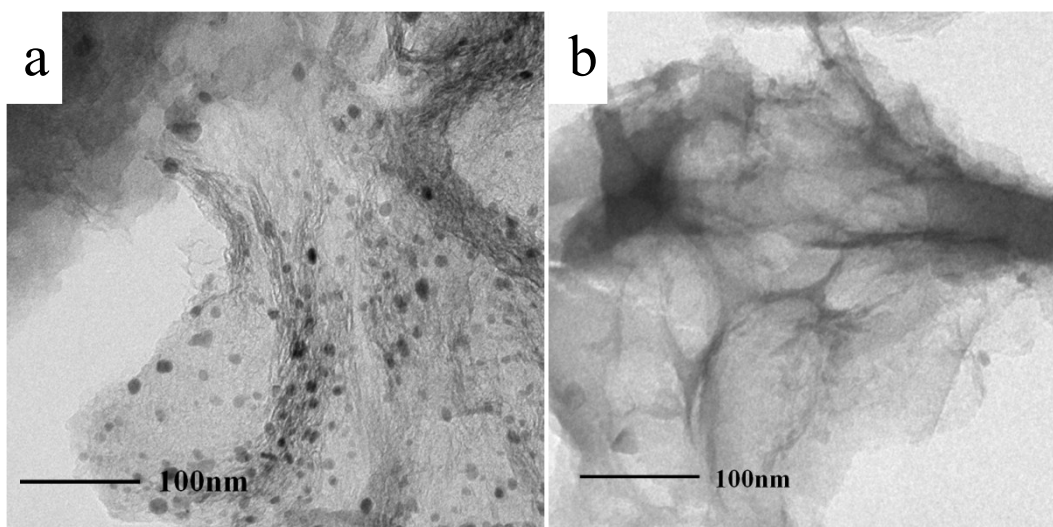


Figure.S2 TEM of (a) the Fe-doped carbon (CF) and (b) the N-doped carbon (NC)

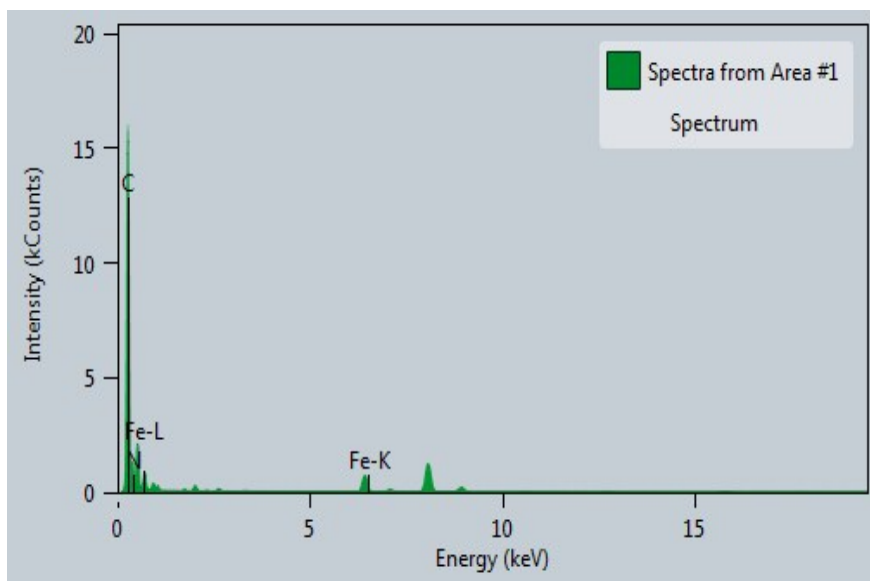


Figure.S3 EDS spectrum for the resultant NCF.

element	C	N	Fe
Content(%)	87.34	6.17	6.49

Table. S1 Percentage of different elements for NCF.

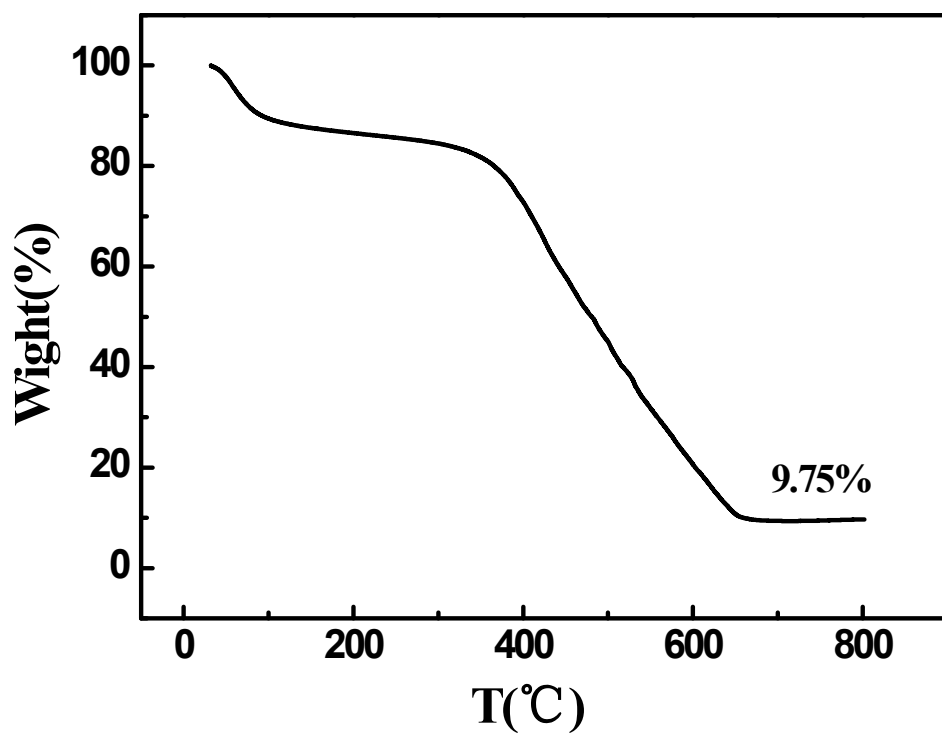


Figure. S4 TGA for the resultant NCF.

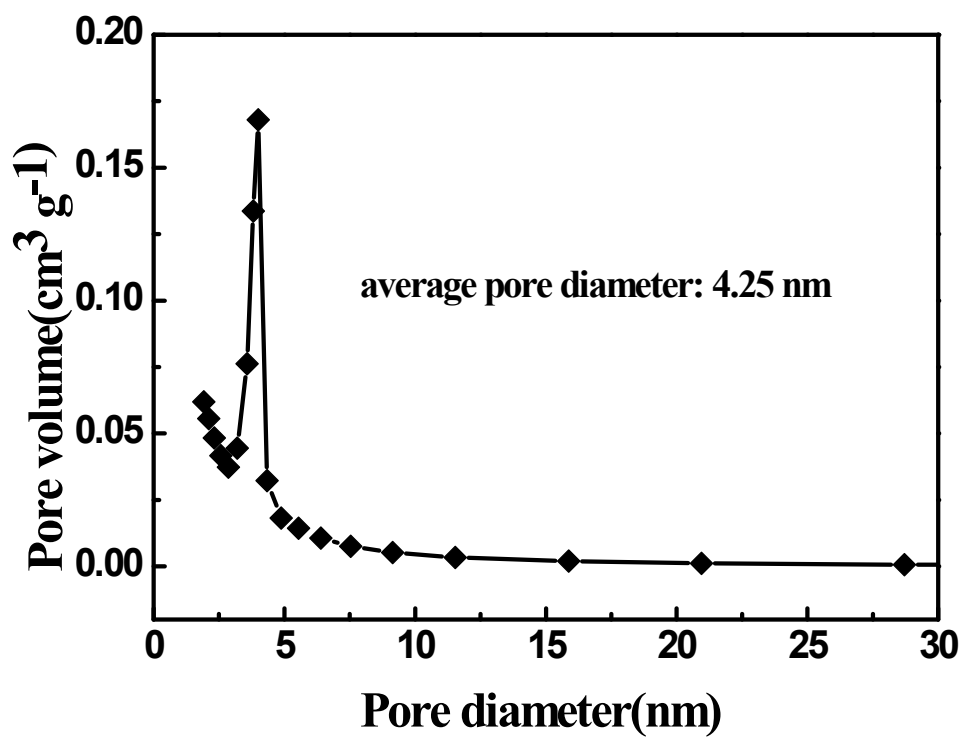


Figure.S5 BJH pore diameter distribution of NCF.

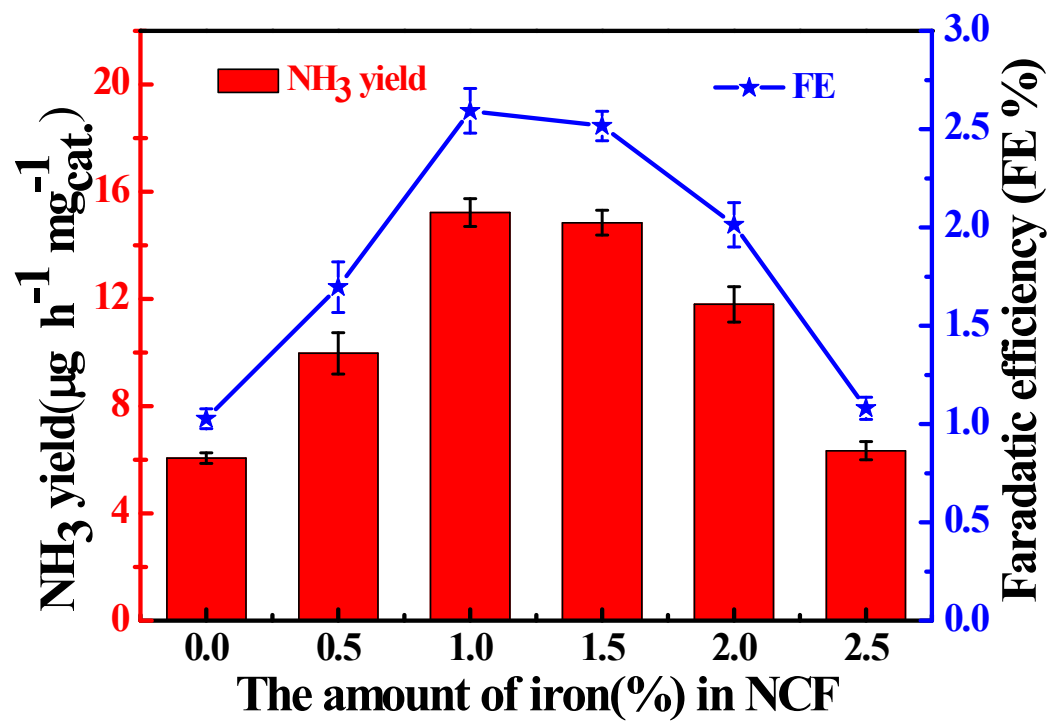


Figure. S6 Yield rate and FE of NH₃ with different iron content about NCF.

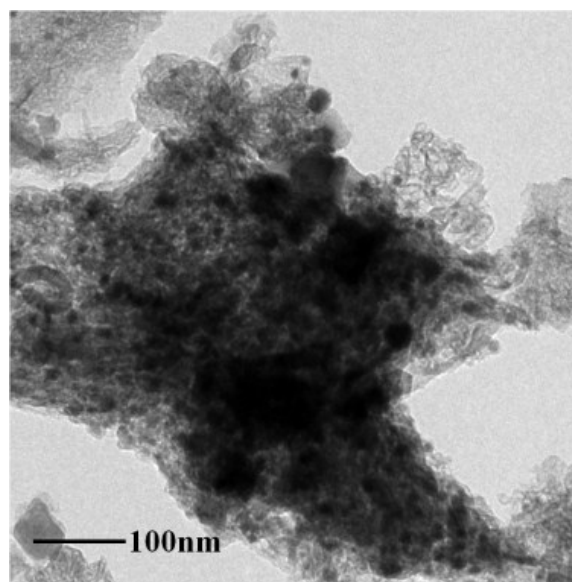


Figure. S7 TEM images of the NCF-Fe_{2.5}.

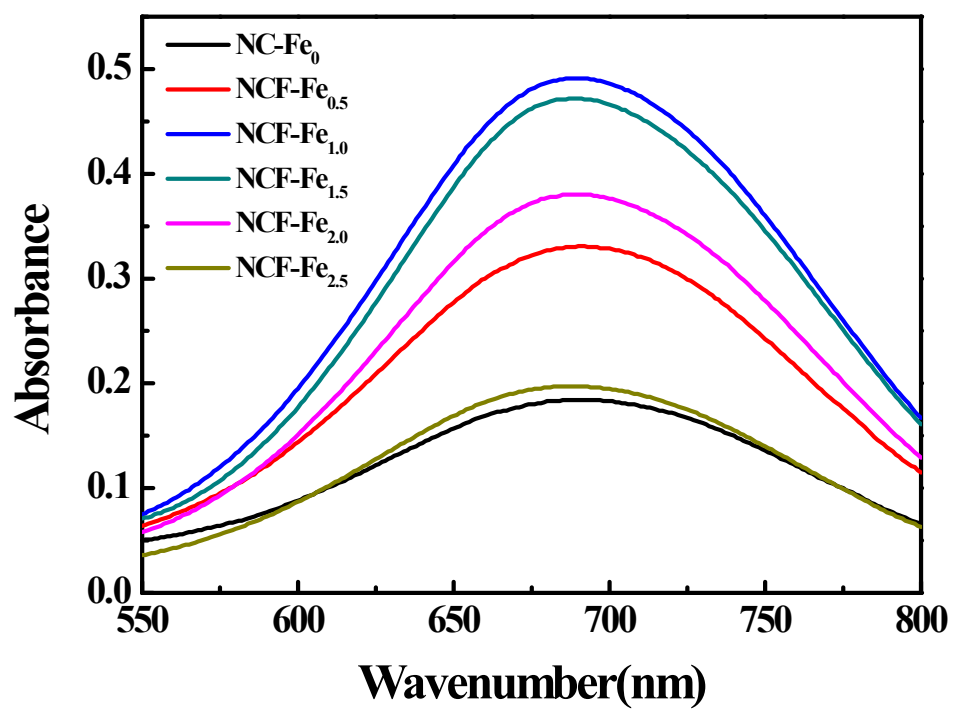


Figure. S8 UV-Vis curves of indophenol tests under different iron content about NCF.

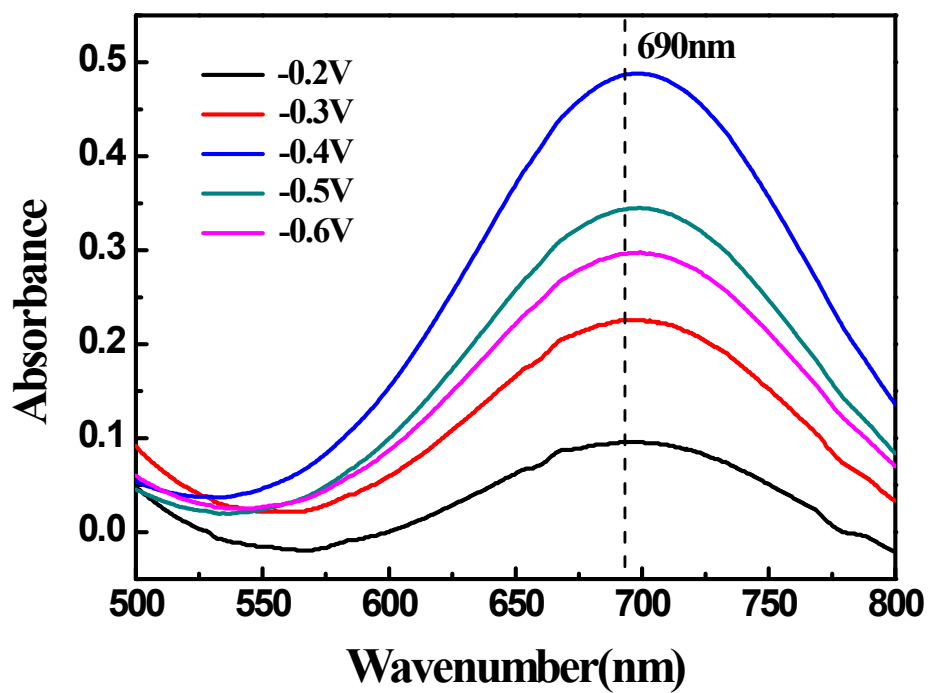


Figure.S9 UV-Vis curves of indophenol tests under different potentials.

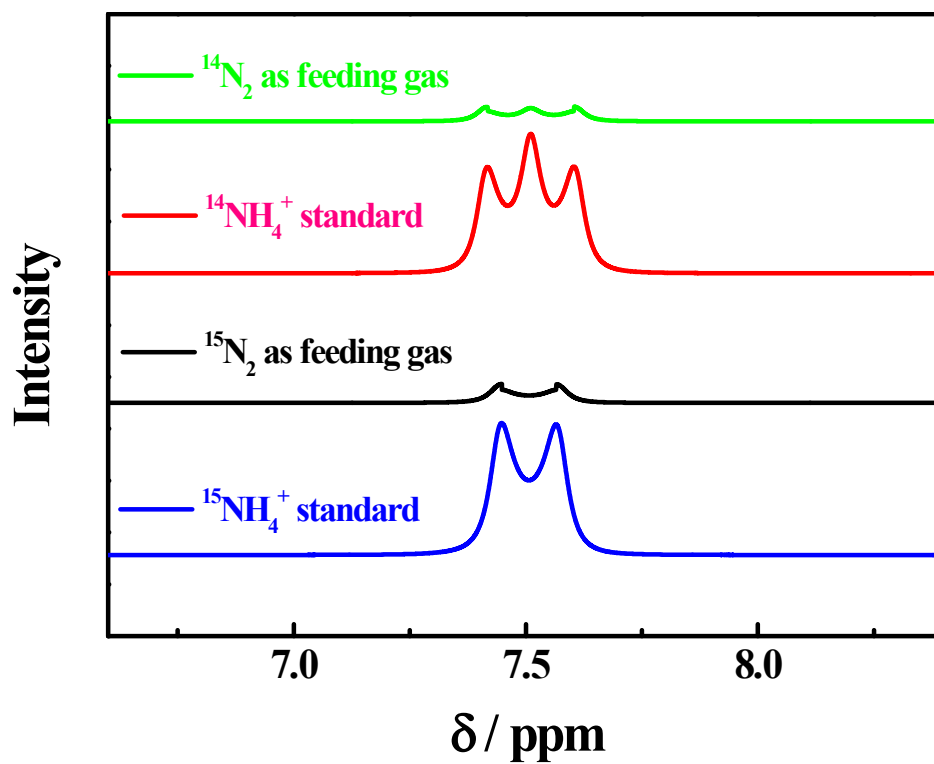


Figure.S10 ^1H NMR spectra of the $^{15}\text{NH}_4^+$ or $^{14}\text{NH}_4^+$ standards and the electrochemical NRR product using the NCF catalyst in the $^{15}\text{N}_2$ and $^{14}\text{N}_2$ atmosphere, respectively.

Table S2. Comparison of the NH₃ electrosynthesis activity for NCF with other NRR catalysts.

System/Catalyst	Conditions	NH ₃ Yield	FE	Testing Method	Reference
NCF	ambient	15.804 μg h ⁻¹ mg _{cat.} ⁻¹	2.72%	Indophenol method	This work
Pt/C	80 °C	9.37×10 ⁻⁶ mol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	0.83%	Nessler's reagent	<i>RSC Adv.</i> 2013 , 3, 18016.
Mo nanofilm	ambient	3.09×10 ⁻¹¹ mol s ⁻¹ cm ⁻²	0.72%	Indophenol method	<i>J. Mater. Chem. A</i> , 2017 , 5, 18967–18971
MoS ₂ /CC	ambient	8.08×10 ⁻¹¹ mol s ⁻¹ cm ⁻²	1.17%	Indophenol method	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> , 2018 , 30, 1800191
MoO ₃ nanosheet	ambient	29.43 μg h ⁻¹ mg _{cat.} ⁻¹	1.9%	Indophenol method	<i>J. Mater. Chem. A</i> , 2018 , 6, 12974-12977
TA-reduced Au/TiO ₂	ambient	21.4 μg h ⁻¹ mg _{cat.} ⁻¹	8.11%	Indophenol method	<i>Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.</i> , 2018 , 57, 6073–6076.
α-Au/CeO _x -RGO	ambient	8.31 μg h ⁻¹ mg _{cat.} ⁻¹	10.1%	Indophenol method	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> 2017 , 29, 1700001.
γ-Fe ₂ O ₃	ambient	0.212 μg h ⁻¹ mg _{cat.} ⁻¹	1.9%	spectrophotometry	<i>ACS Sustain. Chem. Eng.</i> , 2017 , 5, 10986–10995.
Fe ₂ O ₃ /CNTs	ambient	3.59×10 ⁻¹² mol s ⁻¹ cm ⁻²	0.15%	Indophenol method	<i>Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.</i> , 2017 , 56, 2699–2703.
N-doped nanocarbon	ambient	27.2 μg h ⁻¹ mg _{cat.} ⁻¹	1.42%	spectrophotometry	<i>ACS Catal.</i> , 2018 , 8, 1186–1191.
Ru(7.8wt%)-Y ₅ Si ₃	500 °C	1.9 mmol g ⁻¹ h ⁻¹		Ion chromatography	<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> 2016 , 138, 3970-3973
La _{0.8} Cs _{0.2} Fe _{0.8} Ni _{0.2} O _{3-δ}	600 °C	1.23×10 ⁻¹⁰ mol s ⁻¹ cm ⁻²	0.55%	ammonia meter	<i>Electrochim. Acta</i> , 2014 , 123, 582–587.
Fe ₂ O ₃ (Salicylic Method)	250 °C, 25 bar	----	35%	Indophenol method	<i>Science</i> 2014 , 345, 637.