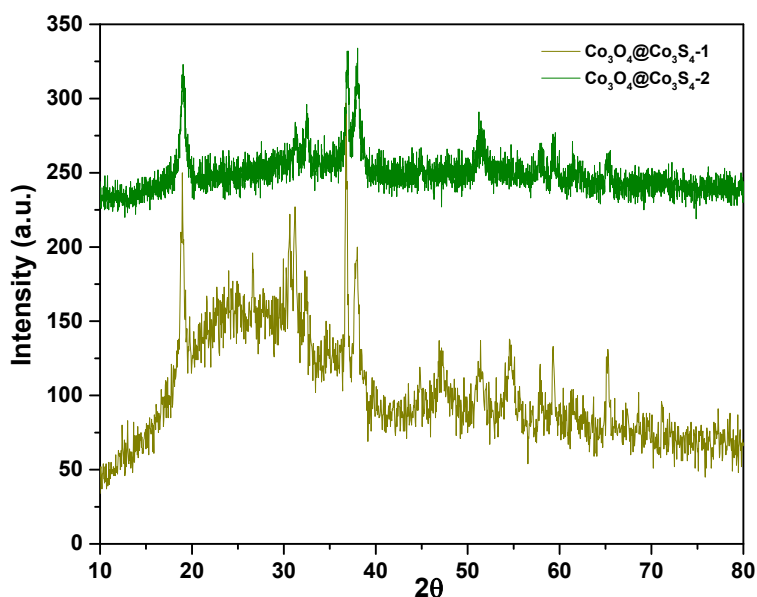


## Supporting Information

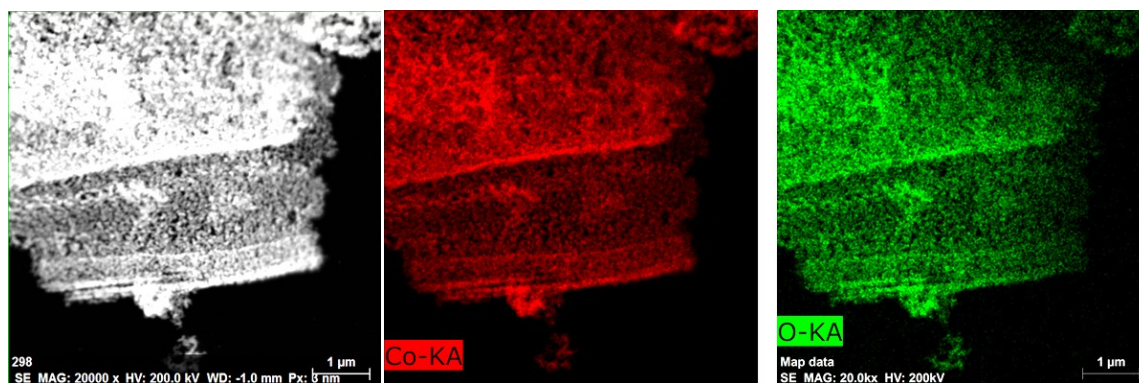
### **Core@Shell Hollow Heterostructure of $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ and $\text{Co}_3\text{S}_4$ : An Efficient Oxygen Evolution Catalyst**

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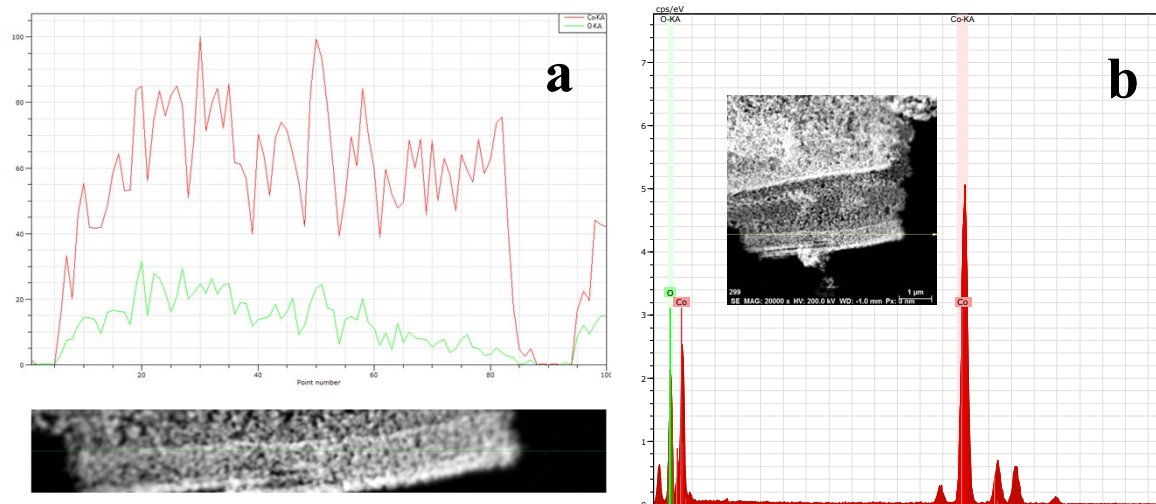
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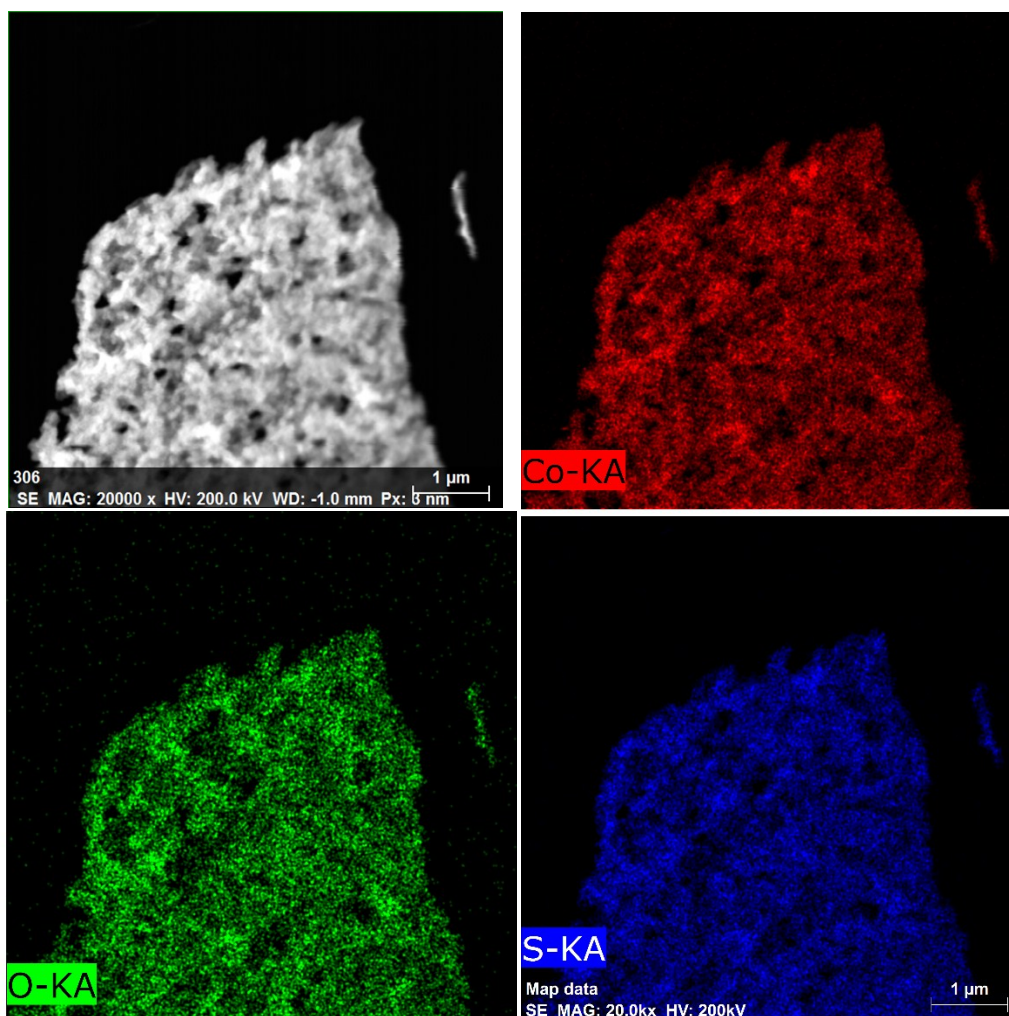
**Fig. S1:** XRD pattern of  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Co}_3\text{S}_4$ -1 and  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Co}_3\text{S}_4$ -2 sheets.



**Fig. S2:** EDS area mapping of Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> sheets showing the uniform distribution of Co and O.

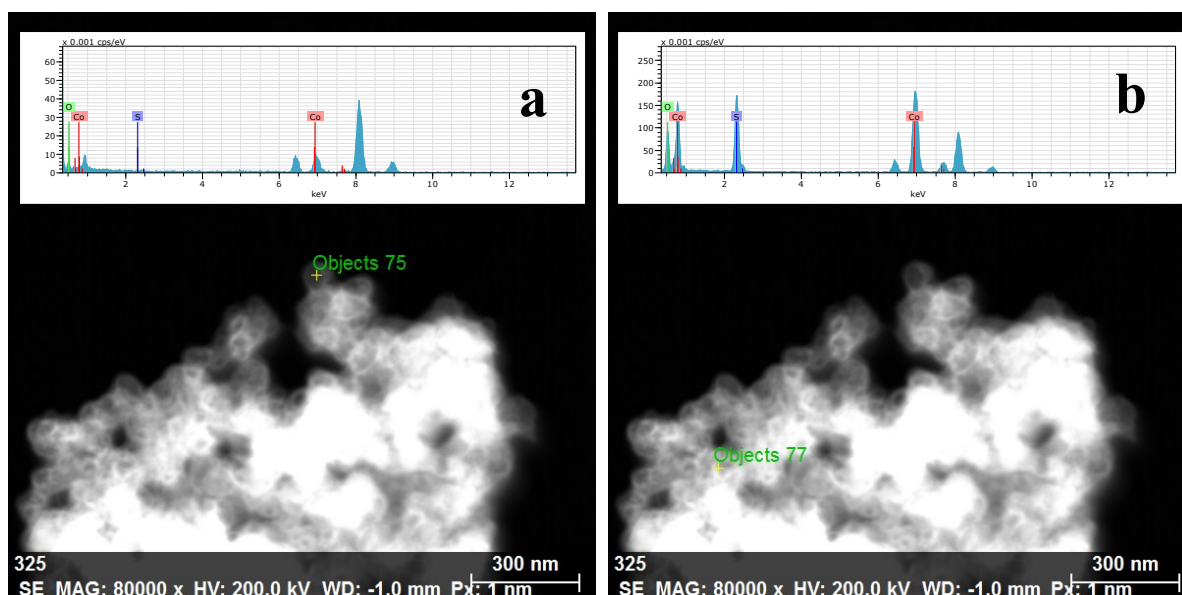


**Fig. S3:** (a) EDS line mapping shows comparative distribution of Co and O and (b) EDS spectrum indicting the presence of Co and O in  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$  sheets.

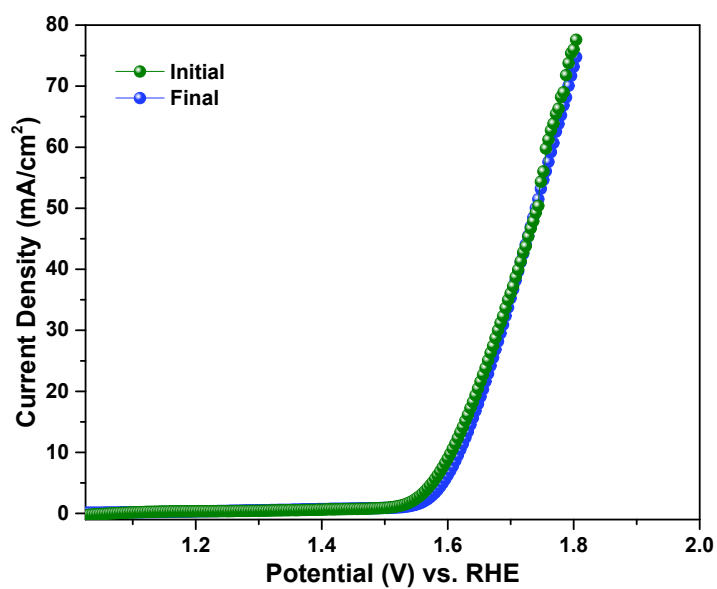


**Fig. S4:** EDS area mapping of  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Co}_3\text{S}_4$ -2 sheets showing the uniform distribution of Co, O and S.





**Fig. S6:** ESD point mapping image taken in different points (a) at the centre of a particle, (b) at the periphery, showing hollow core@shell structure of  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Co}_3\text{S}_4$ .



**Fig. S7:** Stability of  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Co}_3\text{S}_4$ -2 via consecutive runs up to 1000 cycles.

**Table S1:** Data Comparison for electrocatalytic activity of different reported catalysts, closely relating to the present work.

| S.N. | Electrocatalyst                                                               | Electrode reaction | Electrolyte                          | Potential (RHE) at 10 mA/cm <sup>2</sup> Current | Tafel slope | Substrate | Reference |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1    | Co <sub>1-x</sub> S–Graphene Hybrid                                           | ORR                | 0.1 M KOH                            | 3.8 at 0.7 V                                     | -           | GC        | 17        |
| 2    | Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @Co <sub>3</sub> S <sub>4</sub> nanoarrays     | OER and HER        | 1 M KOH                              | 1.53 V                                           | -           | Ni-Foam   | 22        |
| 3    | NiCo <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @N/S-rGO                                     | OER                | 0.1 M KOH                            | 0.47 V                                           | -           | GC        | R1        |
| 4    | CoO <sub>x</sub> @CN                                                          | OER                | 1 M KOH                              | 0.26 V                                           | 115         | GC        | R2        |
| 5    | Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> C-NA                                           | OER                | 0.1 M KOH                            | 1.52 V                                           | 70          | Cu-foil   | R3        |
| 6    | Mn <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /CoSe <sub>2</sub>                             | OER                | 0.1 M KOH                            | 0.45 V                                           | 49          | GC        | R4        |
| 7    | Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /N-doped-graphene                              | OER                | 1 M KOH                              | 1.54 V                                           | 67          | Ni-foam   | 13        |
| 8    | N-doped graphene-CoO                                                          | OER                | 1 M KOH                              | 1.57 V                                           | 71          | GC        | R5        |
| 9    | CeO <sub>2</sub> /CoSe <sub>2</sub>                                           | OER                | 0.1 M KOH                            | 0.288 V                                          | 44          | GC        | R6        |
| 10   | WS <sub>2</sub> /WO <sub>2</sub>                                              | HER                | 0.5 M H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | -90 mV                                           | 63          | GC        | 19        |
| 11   | MoS <sub>2</sub> /MoO <sub>2</sub>                                            | HER                | 0.5 M H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | -120 mV                                          | 51          | GC        | 19        |
| 12   | Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> /N F composite | OER                | 1 M KOH                              | 260@20 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>                        | 171         | Ni-foam   | 45        |
| 13   | Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @Co <sub>3</sub> S <sub>4</sub>                | OER                | 0.5 M KOH                            | 1.606 V                                          | 80          | GC        | This work |

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