

Supplementary Data

Ball-milling synthesis of N-graphyne with controllable nitrogen doping sites for efficient electrocatalytic oxygen evolution and supercapacitor

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1. Calculation

1) The calculated process of electrochemical surface area:

The electrochemical surface area (ECSA) is calculated by the measured double layer capacitance (C_{dl}) of the catalysts surface. In a typical procedure, a potential range in which no apparent Faradaic processes happened was determined from static CV. All measured current in this non-Faradaic potential region is hypothesized to be owing to double-layer charging. The charging current i_c was measured from the CVs at different scan rates, as displayed in Figure S1. The relation between i_c , C_{dl} , and scan rate (v) is as follows ,

$$i_c = vC_{dl}$$

Hence, the slope of i_c as a function of v gives a straight line with a slope equal to C_{dl} (Figure 4d).

The ECSA of a catalyst sample is calculated from the C_{dl} according to the equation,

$$\text{ECSA} = \frac{C_{dl}}{C_s}$$

where C_s is the specific capacitance of the sample. The C_s is equal to 0.040 mF cm⁻² in 1 M KOH according to the previous reports.

2) The calculation of Gibbs free energy change:

The thermodynamic feasibility for the synthesis of N-graphyne using CaC₂ and Pyrazine is examined by the calculation of Gibbs free energy change. One molecule (N) N-graphyne and 2N CaH₂ formed by N pyrazine molecule and 2N CaC₂ are supposed as a model. Moreover, E, N, and N_A represent the bond energy of chemical bond, the number of atoms, and avogadro constant, respectively.

Enthalpy change:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta H &= H_{N\text{-graphyne}} - H_{\text{pyrazine}} - H_{\text{CaC}_2} + H_{\text{CaH}_2} \\ &= \frac{6N}{N_A}(E_{\text{pyrazine}} + E_{C-C} - E_{\text{pyrazine}} - E_{C-H}) + \frac{3N}{N_A}(\Delta H_{\text{CaH}_2} - \Delta H_{\text{CaC}_2}) \\ &= \frac{4N}{N_A}(332 - 414) + \frac{2N}{N_A}(-181.5 + 62.8) \\ &= -565.4 \frac{N}{N_A} \text{ KJ}\end{aligned}$$

This reaction is an exothermic reaction.

Eutropy change:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S &= S_{N\text{-graphyne}} - S_{\text{pyrazine}} + S_{\text{CaH}_2} - S_{\text{CaC}_2} + \Delta S_{\text{mix}} \\ &= \frac{1}{N_A} \Delta_f S_{N\text{-graphyne}} - \frac{N}{N_A} \Delta S_{\text{pyrazine}} + 2 \frac{N}{N_A} (\Delta S_{\text{CaH}_2} - \Delta S_{\text{CaC}_2}) + \Delta S_{\text{mix}} \\ &= \frac{1}{N_A} \Delta S_{N\text{-graphyne}} - \frac{N}{N_A} \Delta S_{\text{pyrazine}} + 2 \frac{N}{N_A} (41.4 - 70.3) + \Delta S_{\text{mix}} \\ &= \frac{1}{N_A} \Delta S_{N\text{-graphyne}} - 61 \frac{N}{N_A} + \Delta S_{\text{mix}} (J/K)\end{aligned}$$

Thereinto,

$$\Delta S_{\text{mix}} = k \ln \frac{(3N+1)!}{3N!} - k \ln \frac{(N+3N)}{(3N)!N!} = k \ln(3N+1) - \ln \frac{4^4}{3^3} \ln(J/K)$$

Gibbs free energy change:

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -565400 \frac{N}{N_A} - \frac{T}{N_A} \Delta S_{N-graphyne} + 61 \frac{N}{N_A} + kT \ln(3N+1) - \ln \frac{4^4}{3^3} KNT \\
&= -\frac{T}{N_A} \Delta S_{N-graphyne} - kT \ln(3N+1) - kN \left(\frac{565400}{R} - \frac{61T}{R} - \ln \frac{4^4}{3^3} T \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Thereinto:

$$-\frac{T}{N_A} \Delta S_{N-graphyne} < 0$$

$$-kT \ln(3N+1) < 0$$

When $T < 9000$ K,

$$-kN \left(\frac{565400}{R} - \frac{61T}{R} - \ln \frac{4^4}{3^3} T \right) < 0$$

That is $\Delta G < 0$.

Thus, the reaction should be a spontaneous process in common temperature.

2. Characterization

Figure S1

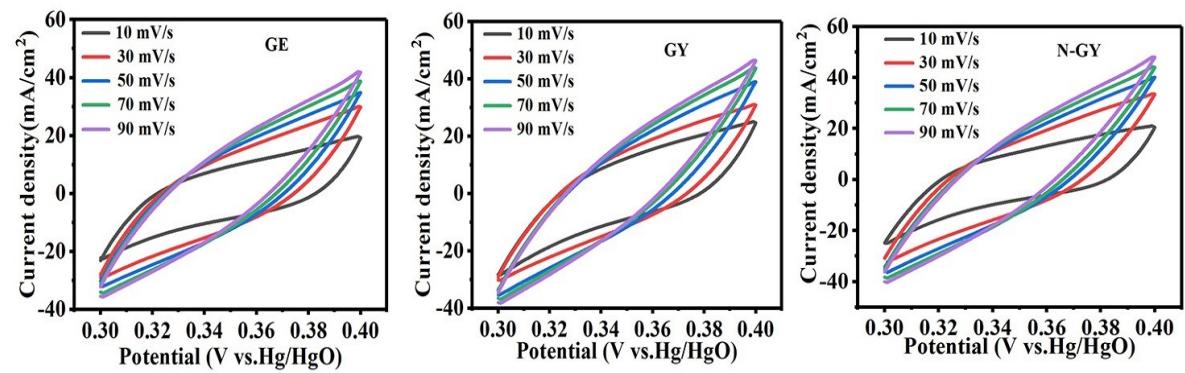


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Table S1 Electrocatalysts for OER

Electrocatalysis materials	Electrolyte	Current density	Overpotential (mV)	Tafel slope (mV/dec)	References
Co ₃ (OH) ₂ (HPO ₄) ₂ /NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	240	69	S1
Ni ₂ P-VP ₂ /NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	398	49	S2
NiTe/NiS	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	104	49	S3
NdNiO ₃	0.1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	350	45.9	S4
NiCo/NiCo ₂ S ₄ /NiCo@NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	294	60	S5
Ni-Fe-OH/Ni ₃ S ₂ @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	310	93	S6
NiFe Nanosheet @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	290	52	S7
Na _{1-x} Ni _y Fe _{1-y} O ₂ @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	290	44	S8
NiCoP@NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	370	116	S9
Ni ₂ P@NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	390	85	S10
Ni _{0.51} Co _{0.49} P@NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	480	43	S11

Electrocatalysis materials	Electrolyte	Current density	Overpotential (mV)	Tafel slope (mV/dec)	References
NiFe-P @NF Ni-Fe/graphene	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	240	73	S12
@NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	398	39	S13
CoNiCH @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	104	/	S14
FeNi ₂ S ₄ /GO @NF	0.1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	350	66	S15
CoMoNiS @NF	1M KOH	10 mA/cm ²	113	58	S16
Fe-NiSe ₂	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	350	83	S17
Au@Ni ₂ P	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	360	50	S18
IrO ₂ /NiO @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	320	41.8	S19
FeOOH/Ni(OH) ₂ @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	250	70	S20
NCFO @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	320	56	S21
3DG-Au-Ni ₃ S ₂ @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	380	150	S22
Ni ₇ S ₆ @NF	0.1M KOH	30 mA/cm ²	280	119	S23
Ni-Tan @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	230	33.5	S24
FeOOH/Ni(OH) ₂ @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	250	70	S25
WC @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	400	52	S26
NiV LDH	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	280	55.3	S27

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Ni ₅ Co ₃ Mo-OH @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	290	56.4	S28
CePO ₄ /NiCo ₂ O ₄ @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	360	74	S29
MnPx/MoPy @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	380	105	S30
Co-NiMoN @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	380	73	S31
NiFe-OH @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	228	22.6	32
(Ni,Fe) ₃ S ₂ /NF @NF	1M KOH	10 mA/cm ²	246	41	S33
NiO/NiS @NF	1M KOH	40 mA/cm ²	200	60	S34
FeOOH/NFG @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	280	36.2	S35
γ -graphyne @NF	1M KOH	100 mA/cm ²	336	130	S36
N-graphyne	1M KOH	100 mA/cm²	285	122	This work

Table S2 Supercapacitor electrode materials

Supercapacitor materials	Scan rate (A/g)	Capacity (F/g)	Reference
N-Doped Graphene Aerogel	0.5 A/g	112.1 F/g	S37
N, P Co-Doped Graphene	1 A/g	416 F/g	S38
N, P co-doped Graphene	0.25 A/g	202 F/g	S39
N/P codoped porous carbon-coated graphene	0.5 A/g	134 F/g	S40
NS-PCMSs	0.1 A/g	271 F/g	S41
CNSs	0.5 A/g	227 F/g	S42
Carbon nanosheets	1 A/g	241 F/g	S43
Graphene-Based Porous Materials	1 A/g	214 F/g	S44
All-In-One Flexible Graphene	2 mV/s	237 F/cm ³	S45
Alkynyl Carbon Materials	0.2 A/g	76 F/g	S46
Graphdiyne nanostructures	5A/g	41 F/g	S47
γ -graphyne	0.2 A/g	81 F/g	S48
N-graphyne	1 A/g	235 F/g	This Work

Table S3 The fitting results of EIS spectra

Electrodes	$R_i(\Omega/\text{cm}^2)$	CPE-T	CPE-P	$R_{ct}(\Omega/\text{cm}^2)$
GE	0.758	0.414	0.760	1.208
GY	0.774	0.277	0.823	0.393
N-GY	0.744	0.332	0.778	0.357

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