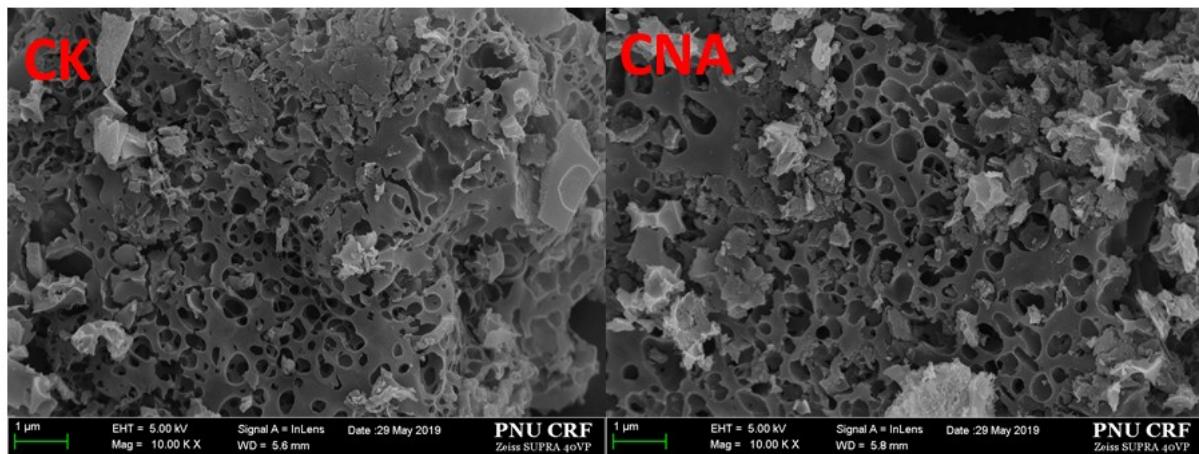


## Interplay between porous texture and surface-active sites for efficient oxygen reduction reactions in N-inherited carbon

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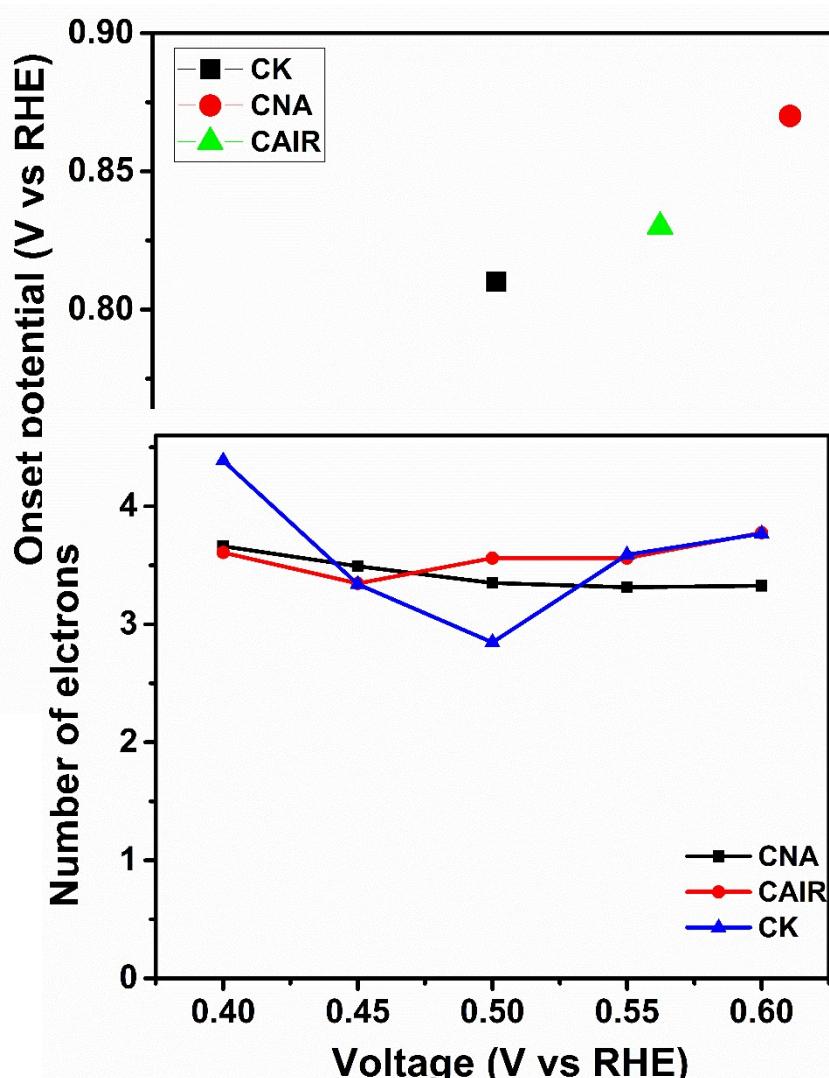
**Figure S1.** High magnification FE-SEM images of CK and CAN samples

**Table S1 Quantitative analysis of C, O and N from XPS analysis**

Sample	C 1s	O 1s	N 1s
<b>CK</b>	92.0	6.9	1.1
<b>CNA</b>	85.6	12.0	2.4
<b>CAIR</b>	90.6	7.8	1.6

**Table S2 Deconvoluted N peaks from XPS analysis.**

Sample	Pyridinic-N	Pyrrolic-N	Quaternary-N	Oxidized-N
<b>CK</b>	28.3	27.7	21.2	22.8
<b>CNA</b>	26.4	46.6	27.0	-
<b>CAIR</b>	26.6	25.1	35.1	13.2

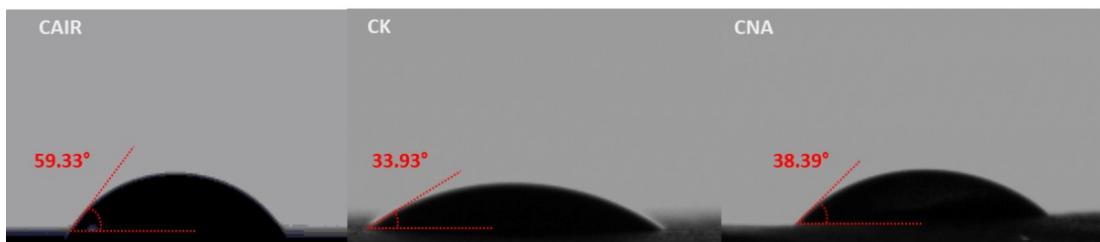


**Figure S3.** Transferred electron numbers after cycling

Catalyst	$E_{onset}$ (V vs RHE)	$E_{1/2}$ (V vs RHE)	References
Okra derived carbon	0.975	0.86	<sup>1</sup>
Seaweed-Derived Nitrogen-Rich Porous Biomass Carbon	1.01	-	<sup>2</sup>
Protein hydrogel networks derived porous carbon	0.93	0.83	<sup>3</sup>
Carbon Materials Derived from Cellulose	0.83	81	<sup>4</sup>
Ni and P doped carbon from waste biomass	0.81	0.67	<sup>5</sup>
N, P and Fe Carbon derived from plant biomass	0.957	0.852	<sup>6</sup>
Lignosulfonate biomass derived N and S co-doped porous carbon	0.80	-	<sup>7</sup>
Egg-Derived Mesoporous Carbon	0.84	0.69	<sup>8</sup>
peanut shell-based graphitic carbon	0.91	0.81	<sup>9</sup>
protein-rich enoki mushroom biomass to a nitrogen-doped carbon	0.94	0.81	<sup>10</sup>

<b>Mandarin Biomass derived N- inherited carbon</b>	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>This work</b>
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**Table S3**



**Figure S4.** Wettability Contact angle measurement of carbon samples.

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