## **Supplementary information**

## One step microwave-hydrothermal synthesis of rGO-TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposites for enhanced electrochemical oxygen evolution reaction

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Figure S1. Optical absorption spectra of rGO, TiO<sub>2</sub> and rGO-TiO<sub>2</sub> samples.



Figure S2. The plot of transformed Kubelka-Munk function  $(F(R)hv)^2$  versus energy (eV) for pure (a) TiO<sub>2</sub> and (b) 8rGO-TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite.



Figure S3. SEM images (a) before and (b) after the chronoamperometric test (4 h) for  $16rGO-TiO_2$  nanocomposite film.



Figure S4. EIS measurements of pure  $TiO_2$ ,  $8rGO-TiO_2$  and  $16rGO-TiO_2$  nanocomposites.

Table S1. Comparison of catalysts activities in OER.

| Catalyst                       | Tafel slope (mV dec <sup>-1</sup> )<br>at neutral pH | Tafel slope (mV dec <sup>-1</sup> ) at alkaline pH | REF  |
|--------------------------------|--|--|------|
| 16rGO-TiO <sub>2</sub>         | 138 (pH=7.0)   | 76 (pH=14.0)                                       | This |
|                                |  |  | work |
| CeO <sub>2</sub> /rGO          | -  | 138 (~pH=13)                                       | 18   |
| Pure TiO <sub>2</sub>          | -  | 230 (pH=13.7)                                      | 59   |
| Modified TiO <sub>2</sub> -700 | -  | 51 (pH=13.7)                                       | 59   |
| rGO-TiO <sub>2</sub> (RAG3)    | -  | 94, (pH=14.0)                                      | 60   |
| Nickel-borate/rGO              | 176 (pH=9.2)   | 79 (pH=14)   | 64   |
| WO <sub>3</sub> /CC            | -  | 82 (pH=14)   | 65   |
| TiO <sub>2</sub> /B-C/B4C      | -  | 61 (~pH=13)  | 66   |