

Supporting Information

Hydrogen evolution of MoS₂/AOCF electrocatalyst doped with Ni element

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Synthesis of AOCF: 5 g polyacrylonitrile fiber (PAN) was added to a mixed solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride and sodium carbonate prepared in a certain proportion, stirred in a water bath at 65 °C for 2 hours, then washing with DI water to pH=7, and finally dried naturally to obtain amidoxime fiber (AOCF).

Synthesis of MoS₂: Na₂MoO₄·2H₂O (0.242 g) and CH₃CSNH₂ (0.751 g) were intermittently dissolved in 30 mL DMSO. After being stirring for 2 hours to form homogeneous solution, the mixture was transferred into the Teflon-lined autoclave of 40 mL, and heated at 180 °C for 13 h. The resultant product was collected by centrifugation, washed with DI water and anhydrous ethanol several times. Finally, the obtained sample was dried 12 hours for 65 °C.

Synthesis of Ni@MoS₂: Na₂MoO₄·2H₂O (0.242 g), CH₃CSNH₂ (0.751 g) and NiCl₂·6H₂O (0.012 g) were intermittently dissolved in 30 mL DMSO. After being stirring for 2 hours to form homogeneous solution, the mixture was transferred into the Teflon-lined autoclave of 40 mL, and heated at 180 °C for 13 h. The resultant product was collected by centrifugation, washed with DI water and anhydrous ethanol several times. Finally, the obtained sample was dried 12 hours for 65 °C.

Synthesis of MoS₂/AOCF: Firstly, AOCF (3 g) were added to dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) and stirred at 70 °C for 24 h and then rested at room temperature for 24 h. Na₂MoO₄·2H₂O (0.242 g) and CH₃CSNH₂ (0.751 g) were intermittently dissolved in 30 mL of the above solution. After being stirring for 2 hours to form homogeneous solution, the mixture was transferred into the Teflon-lined autoclave of 40 mL, and heated at 180 °C for 13 h.

Synthesis of MoS₂/PAN: Firstly, PAN (3 g) were added to dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) and stirred at 70 °C for 24 h and then rested at room temperature for 24 h. Na₂MoO₄·2H₂O (0.242 g) and CH₃CSNH₂ (0.751 g) were intermittently dissolved in 30 mL of the above solution. After being stirring for 2 hours to form homogeneous

solution, the mixture was transferred into the Teflon-lined autoclave of 40 mL, and heated at 180 °C for 13 h.

Synthesis of Ni@MoS₂/PAN: Firstly, PAN (3 g) were added to dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) and stirred at 70 °C for 24 h and then rested at room temperature for 24 h. Na₂MoO₄·2H₂O (0.242 g), CH₃CSNH₂ (0.751 g) and NiCl₂·6H₂O (0.012 g) were intermittently dissolved in 30 mL of the above solution. After being stirring for 2 hours to form homogeneous solution, the mixture was transferred into the Teflon-lined autoclave of 40 mL, and heated at 180 °C for 13 h.

Table S1. Comparison of the electrocatalytic HER performance of MoS₂-based electrocatalysts in acidic solution.

Catalysts	η_{10} (mV)	Tafel slope (mV/dec)	C_{dl} (mF/cm ²)	Ref.
Ni@MoS ₂ /AOCF	173	54.80	58.97	This work
Pt-MoS ₂	151	96	-	1
Al-MoS ₂	248	82	19.1	2
Zn@MoS _{2-x}	194	73	2.07	3
g-C ₃ N ₄ /30%FeS ₂ /MoS ₂	193	87.7	20.9	4
Defective MoS ₂ nanoflakes	214	52	10.8	5
N-C@P-MoS ₂	188	68	8.31	6
MCM@MoS ₂ -Ni	161	81	4.8	7
MoS ₂ -polymer carbon nanodot	290	80	43.5	8
V-MoS ₂	146	48	26.1	9
MoS ₂ @RGO/MMT	233	53	9.83	10
MoS ₂ -cPAN	185	68	-	11

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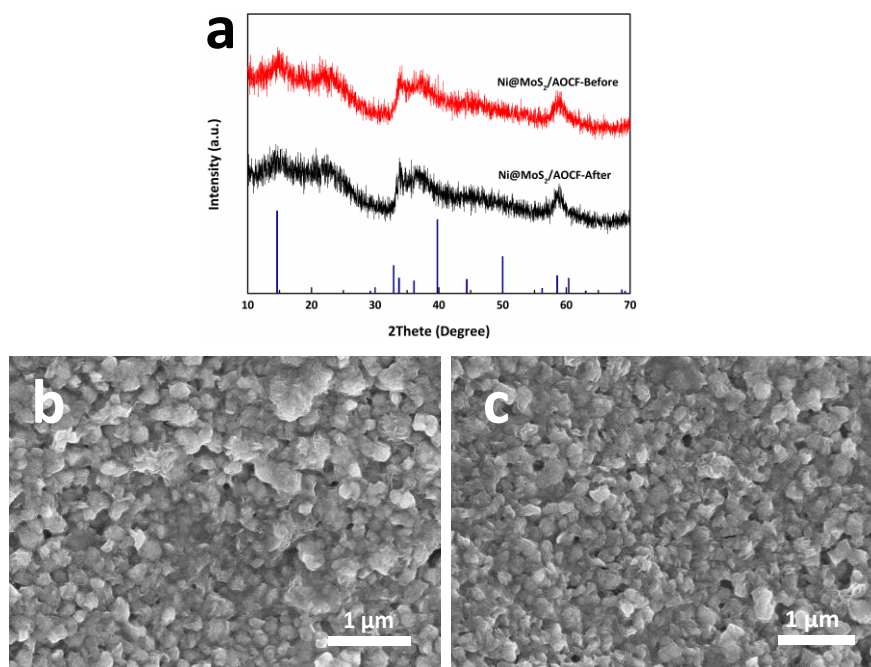


Figure S1. (a) XRD patterns of Ni@MoS₂/AOCF before and after Chronopotentiometry test under a current density of 10 mA/cm² for 36000s; SEM images of Ni@MoS₂/AOCF before (b) and after (c) Chronopotentiometry test under a current density of 10 mA/cm² for 36000s.

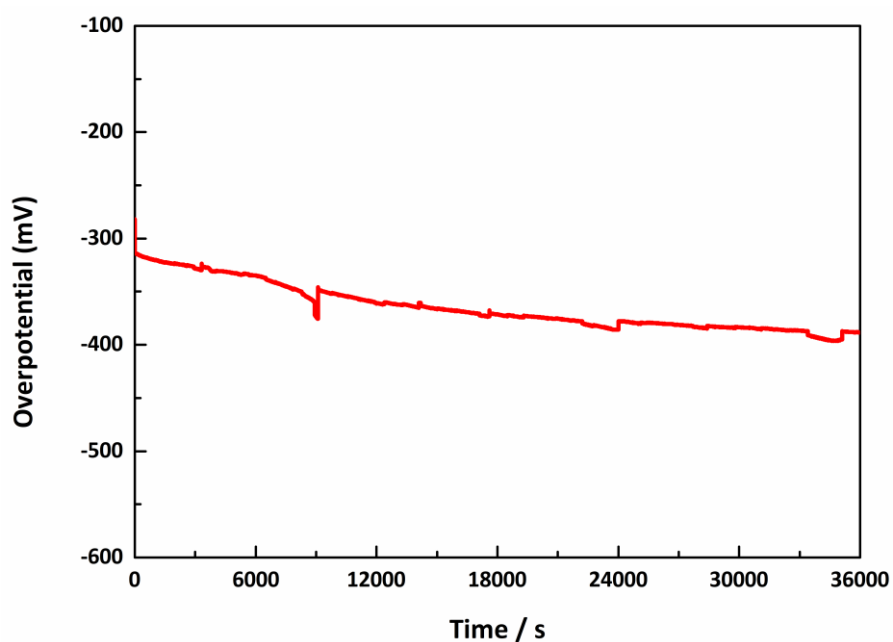


Figure S2. Chronopotentiometry test of Ni@MoS₂/PAN under a current density of 10 mA/cm² for 36000s;

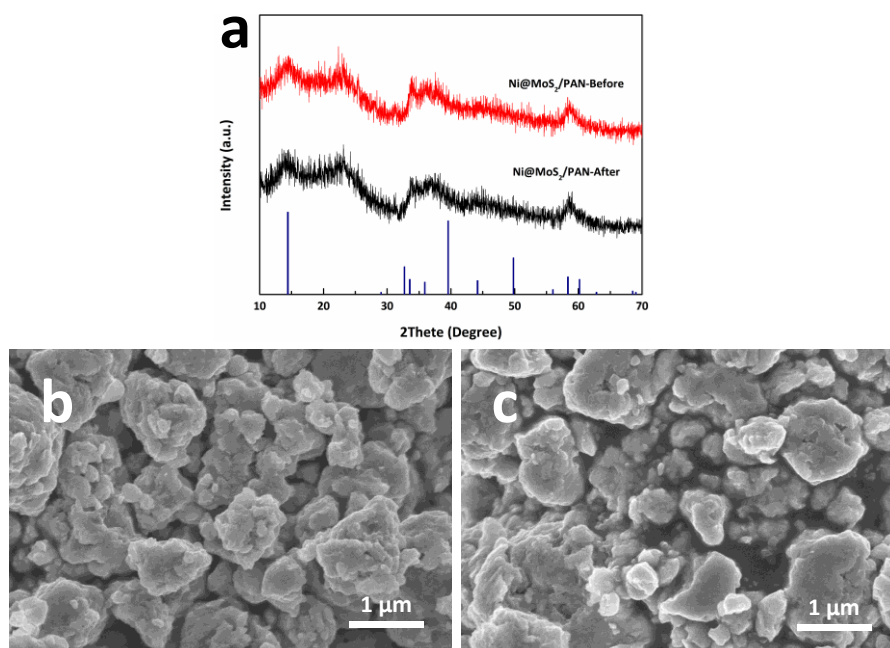


Figure S3. (a) XRD patterns of Ni@MoS₂/PAN before and after Chronopotentiometry test under a current density of 10 mA/cm² for 36000s; SEM images of Ni@MoS₂/PAN before (b) and after (c) Chronopotentiometry test under a current density of 10 mA/cm² for 36000s.