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## **Supplementary Information**

## Iron-Doped Cobalt Phosphate 1D Amorphous Ultrathin Nanowires as

## **Highly Efficient Electrocatalyst for Water Oxidation**

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Fig. S1 TEM images of Am  $Co_3(PO_4)_2$  nanowires. The inset of (a) is the corresponding SAED

pattern.



Fig. S2 Photograph of cyclohexane dispersion of Am  $Co_3(PO_4)_2$  nanowires (left) and Am Fe-

 $Co_3(PO_4)_2$  ultrathin nanowires (right).



Fig. S3 The XRD pattern of Am Fe-Co $_3(PO_4)_2$  ultrathin nanowires.



Fig. S4 XPS survey spectrum of Am  $Fe-Co_3(PO_4)_2$  ultrathin nanowires.



Fig. S5 (a) XPS survey spectrum, (b) Co 2p XPS spectrum, (c) P 2p XPS spectrum and (d) O 1s XPS

spectrum of Am  $Co_3(PO_4)_2$ .



Fig. S6 The amount of theoretically calculated and experimentally measured oxygen as a function of time for Am  $Fe-Co_3(PO_4)_2$  at a constant current density of 100 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>.



Fig. S7 TEM image of Am Fe-Co<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> ultrathin nanowires after stability test for the OER.



Fig. S8 XPS spectra of (a) Co 2p, (b) O 1s, (c) P 2p and (d) Fe 2p of Am  $Fe-Co_3(PO_4)_2$  ultrathin nanowires after stability test.



**Fig. S9** Cyclic voltammograms of (a) Am  $Co_3(PO_4)_2$  and (b) Am Fe-Co<sub>3</sub> $(PO_4)_2$  with a potential window from 0.924 to 1.024 V at different scan rates in 1.0 M KOH.



**Fig. S10** (a) LSV curves of Am  $Co_3(PO_4)_2$  and Am Fe-Co<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> with different amounts of Fe in 1.0 M KOH with 90% iR compensation. (b) Tafel plot for different catalysts derived from (a).



Fig. S11 XRD patterns of crystalline Co-Pi and crystalline Fe-Co-Pi.



Fig. S12 TEM images of (a) crystalline Co-Pi and (b) crystalline Fe-Co-Pi.



**Fig. S13** Cyclic voltammograms of (a) crystalline Co-Pi and (b) crystalline Fe-Co-Pi with a potential window from 0.924 to 1.024 V at different scan rates in 1.0 M KOH.

**Table S1.** ICP-OES characterization of the Am Fe-Co<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and crystalline Fe-Co-Pi samples.

Sample	Element	CC (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Sample	Element	CC (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )
Am	Fe	14631	Crystalline	Fe	27979
Fe-Co₃(PO₄)₂	Co	146165	Fe-Co-Pi	Co	288568
Experimental atomic ratio of Fe:Co = 1:9.47			Experimental atomic ratio of Fe:Co = 1:9.77		

Catalysts	Electrolyte	∏@j=10 mA cm <sup>-2</sup> (mV)	Tafel slope (mV dec <sup>-1</sup> )	Reference
Am Fe-Co <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	1 М КОН	245	42	This work
CoFeZr oxides/NF	1 М КОН	248	54.2	Adv. Mater. 2019, 1901439
FeOOH(Se)/IF	1 М КОН	287	54	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2019, 141, 7005-7013
a-NiFeMo oxides	0.1 M KOH	280	49	Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2019, 58, 15772 –15777
Ar-NiCoP V	1 М КОН	246	70.4	J. Mater. Chem. A, 2019, 7, 24486
Co <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (HPO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> /NF	1 М КОН	240	69	Adv. Funct. Mater. 2019, 29, 1808632
CoFe-MOF-OH NF	1 М КОН	265	44	ACS Catal. 2019, 9, 7356-7364
NiCoFe@NiCoFeO NTAs/CFC	1 М КОН	201	39	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2019, 141, 8136-8145
Mo-CoOOH	1 М КОН	305	56	Nano Energy 48 (2018) 73–80
Fe-Co-2.3Ni-B	1 М КОН	274	38	Adv. Energy Mater. 2018, 8, 1701475
Fe-NiSe <sub>2</sub> UNWs	0.1 M KOH	268	41	Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2018, 57, 4020–4024
CoPPi nanowires	1 М КОН	359	54.1	Small 2018, 14, 1801068
CoFe-H nanosheets	1 М КОН	280	28	Adv. Funct. Mater. 2017, 27, 1603904
Fe-CoP/Ti	1 М КОН	230	67	Adv. Mater. 2017, 29, 1602441
Ni:Pi-Fe/NF	1 М КОН	220	37	Chem. Mater. 2016, 28, 5659-5666
Co <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> @N-C	1 M KOH	317	62	J. Mater. Chem. A, 2016,4, 8155

Table S2. Comparison of OER performances for Am  $Fe-Co_3(PO_4)_2$  ultrathin nanowires with

## previously reported electrocatalysts in the alkaline media.