## Supporting information

## High-dispersion Ultrafine Shell-like Nano-Pt with Efficient Hydrogen Evolution Evolved via Metal Boron Organic Polymers

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## Dodecahydro-*closo*-dodecaborate dianion (*closo*- $[B_{12}H_{12}]^{2-}$ ) has the properties of a reducing agent

The principle of reduction of *closo*- $[B_{12}H_{12}]^{2-}$  is similar to that of NaBH<sub>4</sub>. Due to the strong polarization of B, each hydrogen atom carries 0.00823*e* in *closo*- $[B_{12}H_{12}]^{2-}$  (while the core cage structure composed of B is enriched with a large amount of negative charge).<sup>1,2</sup> However, compared to H<sup>-1</sup> in NaBH<sub>4</sub>, *closo*- $[B_{12}H_{12}]^{2-}$  is relatively less reductive and can only reduce some precious metal ions to the corresponding zero-valent state in a mild manner (such as Au<sup>3+</sup>, Pd<sup>2+</sup>, Pt<sup>4+</sup> and Ag<sup>+</sup>).<sup>3-7</sup>



**Figure S1.** Crystal structure of M-BOPs (solvent molecules have been hidden for clarity). **a-b**) Unit cell views and **c**) wide view of M-BOPs crystal



Figure S2. LSV curve obtained with MBOPs as catalyst

**Table S1**. Overpotentials of Pt/MBOPs with other recently reported Pt-based E-HER catalysts in1M KOH.

Catalyst	Electrolyte	η <sub>10</sub> (mV)	Information Sources
Pt/MBOPs	1M KOH	22.8	This work
Pt/C	1М КОН	36.1	This work
Pt/OLC	1М КОН	38	Nature Energy, 2019, 4, 512-518
PtNi-O/C	1M KOH	39.8	Journal of the American Chemical Society, 2018, 140, 9046-9050
PtNWs/SL-Ni(OH)2	1М КОН	70	Nature Communications, 2015, 6, 6430
NiOx/Pt <sub>3</sub> Ni	1M KOH	40	Angewandte Chemie International Edition, 2016, 55, 12859
Pt <sub>3</sub> Ni <sub>2</sub> -NWs/SC	1M KOH	42	Nature Communications, 2017, 8, 14580
Mo2C@NC@Pt	1M KOH	47	ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, 2019,11, 4047-4056
Pt on WS <sub>2</sub>	1M KOH	45	Advanced Materials, 2018, 30, 1704779
Pt/NiO@Ni/NF	1М КОН	34	ACS Catalysis, 2018, 18, 8866-8872
Pt/Ni(HCO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	1М КОН	44	Angewandte Chemie International Edition, 2019, 58, 5432-5437
CDs/Pt PANI	1М КОН	56	Applied Catalysis B: Environmental, 2019, 257, 117905
A-CoPt-NC	1M KOH	32	Angewandte Chemie International Edition, 2019, 58, 9404
C Pt@ZIF-67	1M KOH	32	Journal of Materials Chemistry A, 2018, 6, 1376-1381
Pd/Cu-Pt	1M KOH	22.8	Angewandte Chemie International Edition, 2017, 56, 16047
PtCoFe@CN	1М КОН	45	ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, 2017, 9, 3596-3601

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Catalyst	<b>T</b> (°C)	TOF <sub>molH2</sub> molPt <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>	Information Sources	
Pt/MBOPs	25	1654.9	This work	
BOPs@Pt	25	131	ChemCatChem, 2019, 11, 2362-2369	
SiO2@Pt@NGO	25	324.6	Sustainable Energy Fuels, 2017, 1, 2128-2133	
Pt@MIL-101	RT	~414	Journal of the American Chemical Society, 2012, 134, 13926-13929	
Pt/CNT	30	~414	Journal of the American Chemical Society, 2014, 136, 16736-16739	
Pt-CNTs-O-HT	25	~580	ACS Catalysis, 2016, 6, 6892-69059	
Pt-CNT	30	567	Chemical Communication, 2014, 50, 2142-2144	
Pt/CeO <sub>2</sub>	25	182	Chemical Communication, 2012, 48, 10207-10209	
Pt <sub>25</sub> Pd <sub>75</sub> NPs	25	69.76	Nanoscale, 2020,12, 638-647	
PtAuNi	25	496	Nano Energy 2016, 23, 145-152	
NiPt@MIL-101	50	25.25	Inorganic Chemistry, 2017, 56, 19, 11938-11945	
PtNi@PVP	RT	511	ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, 2014, 6, 12429-12435	
Pt-Ni/NiO	30	1240.3	ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, 2017, 9, 3749-3756	
Pt <sub>3</sub> Ni <sub>7</sub> O-NGO	25	709.6	Catalysis Science & Technology, 2017, 7, 5135-5142	
Pd-Co	35	118.25	International Journal of Hydrogen Energy, 2017, 42, 27055-27065	
Pt-CoCu@SiO2	30	272.8	ACS Sustainable Chemical & Engineering, 2017, 5, 1675-1684	
PtCo@PG	30	461.17	International Journal of Hydrogen Energy, 2017, 42, 26617-26625	
Pt1Co1Ni2-BOFs	25	1490	ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, 2019, 11, 26, 23445-23453	

**Table S2**. TOF value of Pt/MBOPs with other recently reported Pt-based catalysts in hydrolysis hydrogen evolution of ammonia borane.



**Figure S3**. XPS spectrum of Pt/MBOPs after reused. **a**) Binding energy region of nickel and **b**) Binding energy region of platinum



Figure S4. XRD spectrum of Pt/MBOPs after reused



Figure S5. SEM images (a-b) and TEM images (c-d) of Pt/MBOPs after reused

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