

## Supporting Information

# A novel monoclinic metal oxide catalyst for oxygen evolution reaction in alkaline media

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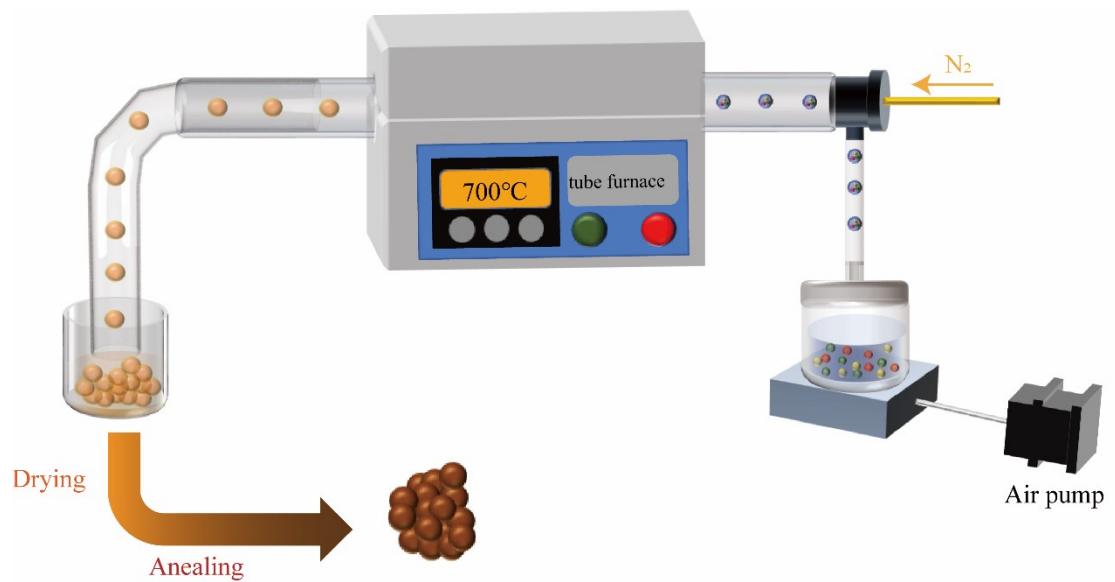


Figure S1. Synthesis strategy of  $\text{Co}_x\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ .

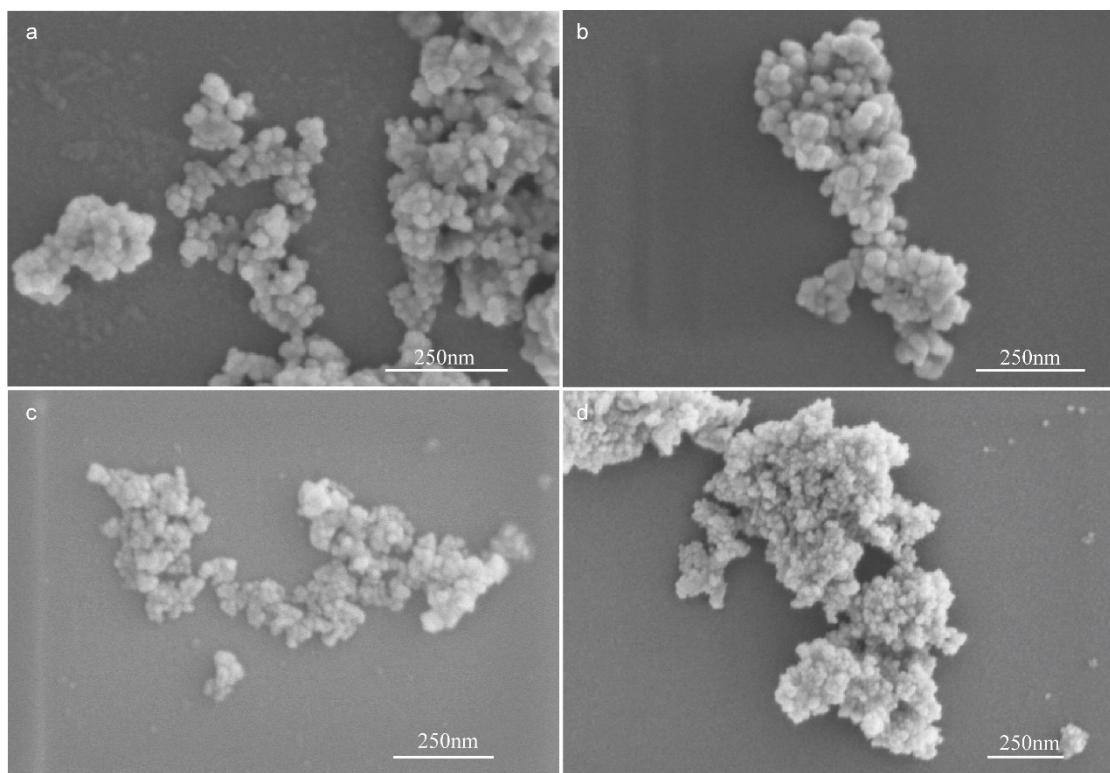


Figure S2. SEM images of (a) pure  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (b)  $\text{Co}_{0.05}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (c)  $\text{Co}_{0.1}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (d)  $\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ .

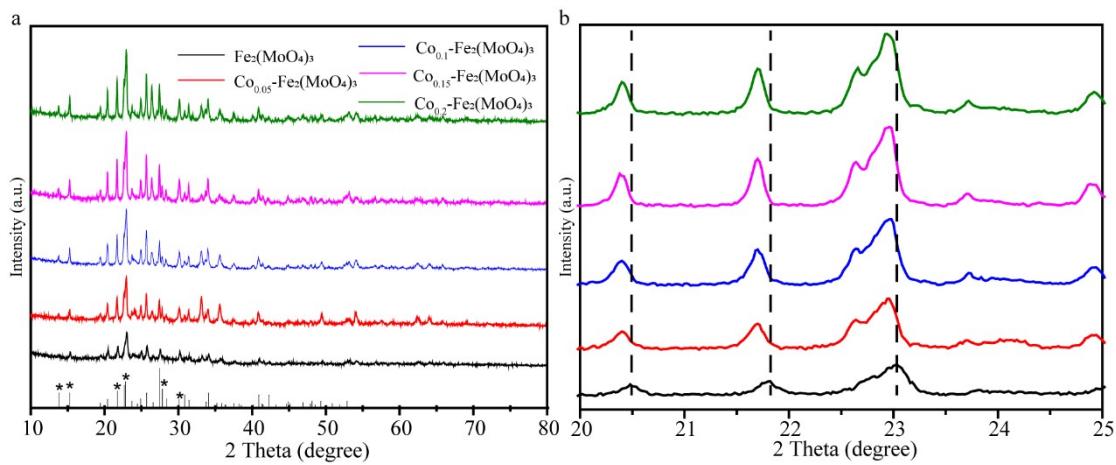


Figure S3. XRD patterns for  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$  with different cobalt doping ratio.

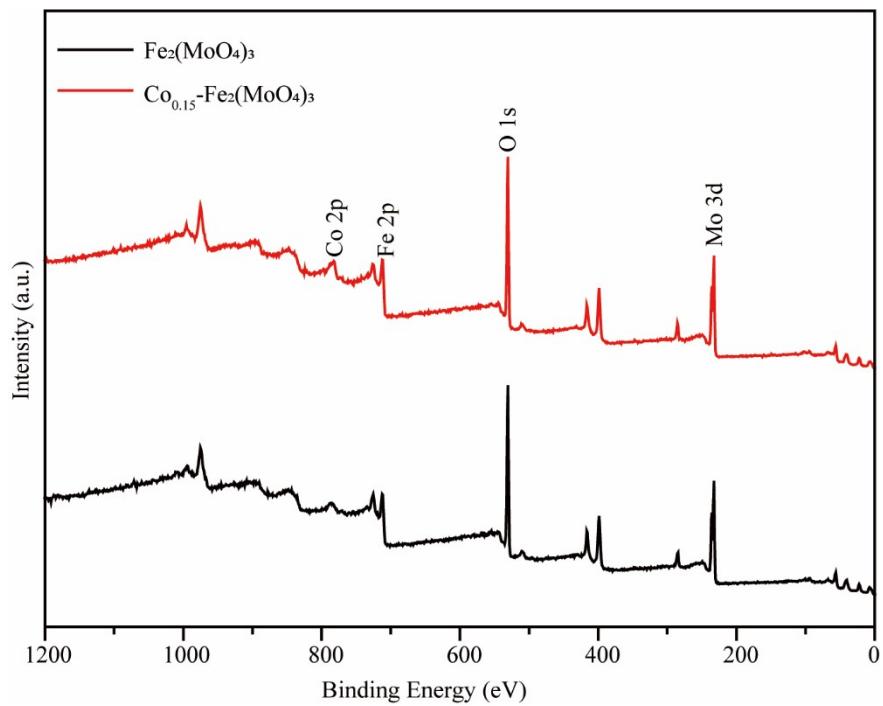


Figure S4. Full XPS survey scan for  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$  and  $\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ .

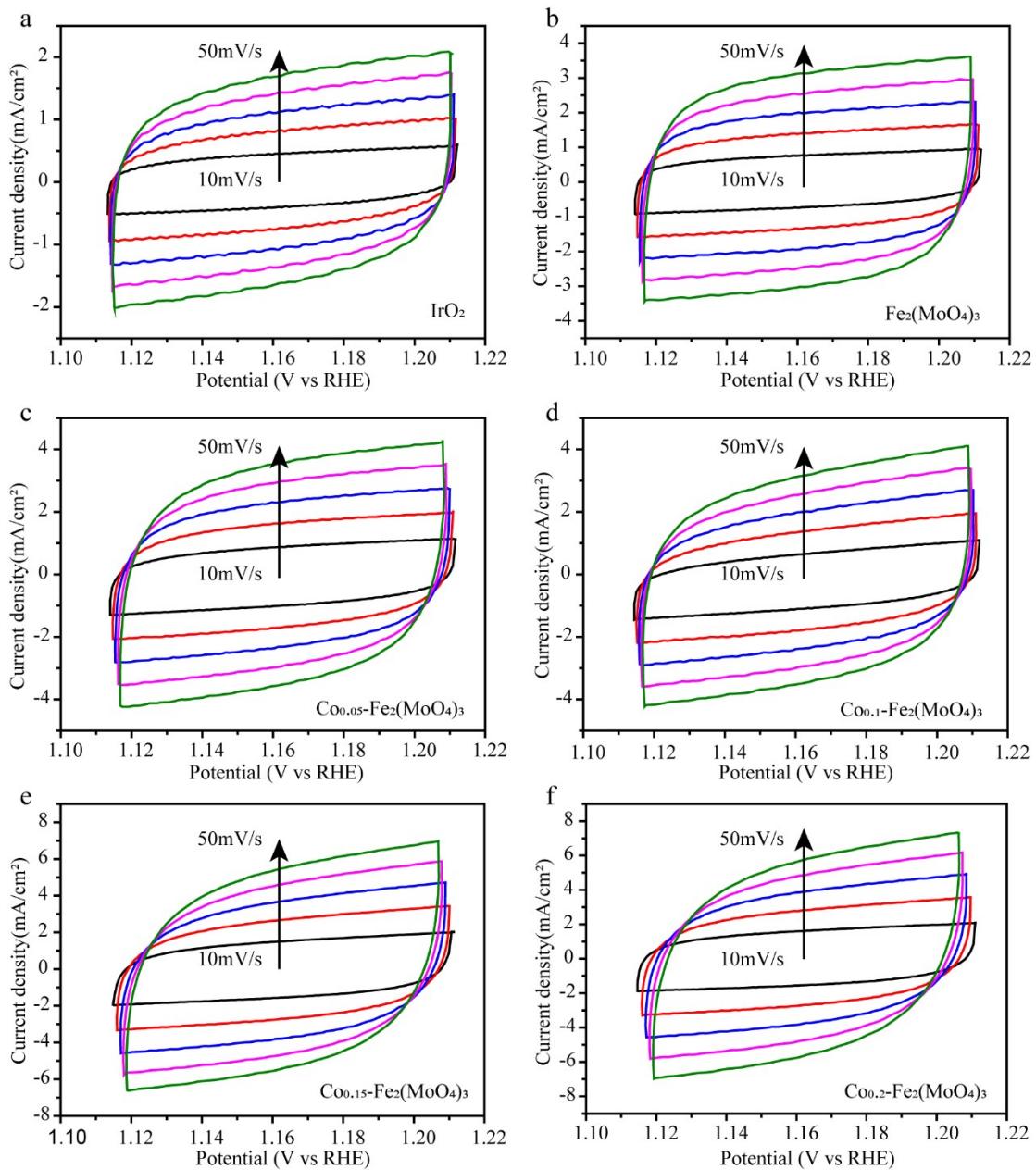


Figure S5. CV diagrams of (a)  $\text{IrO}_2$ , (b)  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (c)  $\text{Co}_{0.05}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (d)  $\text{Co}_{0.1}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (e)  $\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ , (f)  $\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ .

Table S1 Comparison between  $\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$  of this work and different reported transition metal oxide catalysts for OER in alkaline media

Catalyst	Overpotential (mV) at 10mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$	Stability	Reference
$\text{Co}_3\text{O}_{3.87}\text{F}_{0.13}$	430	1500 cycles	<sup>1</sup>
$\text{CoVO}_x\text{-300}$	330	10h	<sup>2</sup>
$\text{NiCo}_{1.7}\text{Ru}_{0.3}\text{O}_4$	280	15h	<sup>3</sup>
$\text{Co/CoO@NC@CC}$	284	25h	<sup>4</sup>
$\text{NiMn/ NiCo}_2\text{O}_4$	310	8h	<sup>5</sup>
$\text{Co@Co}_3\text{O}_4/\text{NC-2}$	410	45h	<sup>6</sup>
$\text{CoMoO}_x/\text{CoMoS}_x/\text{CoS}_x$	281	40h	<sup>7</sup>
$\text{CoV}_2\text{O}_6$	324	24h	<sup>8</sup>
Geobacter-Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	290	22.5h	<sup>9</sup>
$\text{Co}_{0.708}\text{Fe}_{0.292}\text{WO}_4$	327	7h	<sup>10</sup>
CoMoO <sub>4</sub> nanorod	350	10h	<sup>11</sup>
$\text{LaSr}_3\text{Co}_{1.5}\text{Fe}_{1.5}\text{O}_{10-\delta}$	388	5h	<sup>12</sup>
$\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$	273	80h	This work

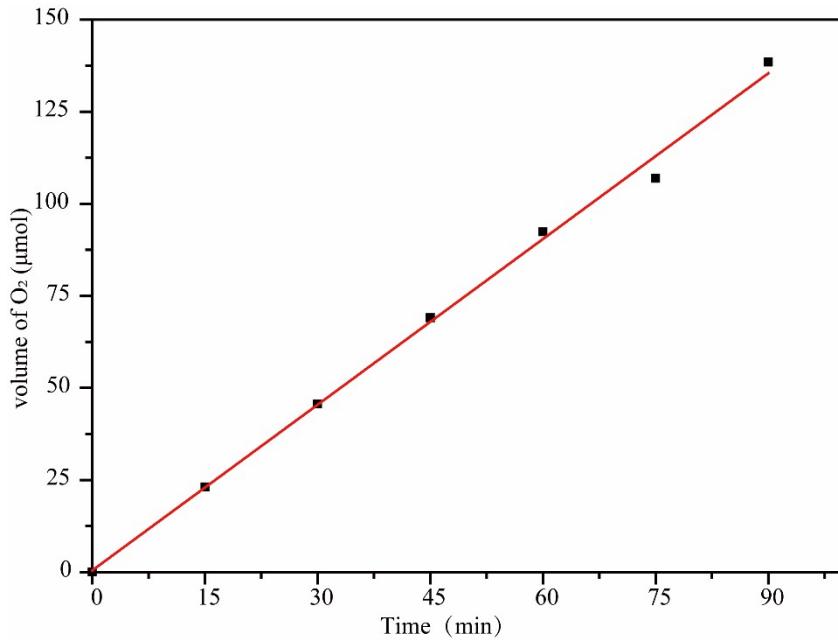


Figure S6. Content of O<sub>2</sub> generated of OER for Co<sub>0.15</sub>-Fe<sub>2</sub>(MoO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>.

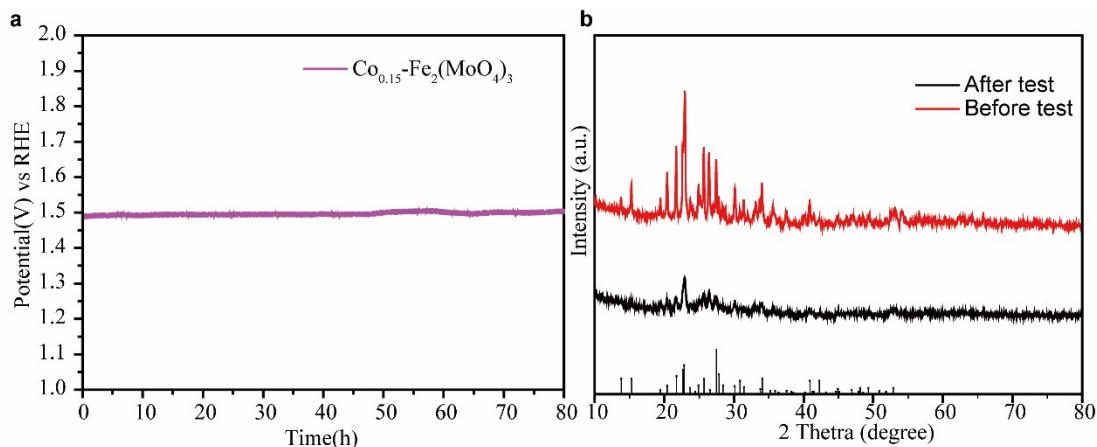
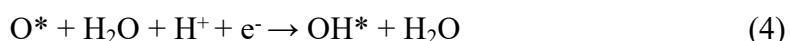
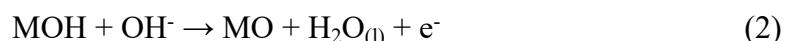


Figure S7. (a) Chronopotentiometry durability test under 10 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> for Co<sub>0.15</sub>-Fe<sub>2</sub>(MoO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, (b) The comparison diagram for XRD patterns of Co<sub>0.15</sub>-Fe<sub>2</sub>(MoO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> before and after stability test.

The chemical equations of OER mechanism in alkaline media<sup>13, 14</sup>:



The active site is written as “M”. In most cases, the reaction process follows the steps of (1) → (2) → (3.1) → (4) instead of (1) → (2) → (3.2)

Table S2. ICP analysis for as-prepared  $\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$

Catalysts	Element	Sample amount	Element Content	wt%
$\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$	Co	108.7 mg	16276.45 mg/kg	1.628
	Fe	108.7 mg	171320.15 mg/kg	17.132
	Mo	108.7 mg	461591.54 mg/kg	46.159

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