## A three-dimensional flower-like NiCo-layered double hydrox-ide grow on nickel foam with MXene coating for

## enhancing oxygen evolution reaction electrocatalysis

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Fig. S1 (a) The etching and exfoliation process Ti<sub>3</sub>AlC<sub>2</sub>, (b, c) SEM images of Ti<sub>3</sub>AlC<sub>2</sub> and Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>.



Fig. S2 XRD patterns of  $Ti_3AlC_2$  and  $Ti_3C_2T_x$ .

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Fig. S3 SEM images of (a, b) bare NF and (c, d)  $Ti_3C_2T_x/NF$ .



Fig. S4 Photographs of (a) bare NF, (b)  $Ti_3C_2T_x/NF$ , and (c) NiCo-LDH/  $Ti_3C_2T_x/NF$ , respectively.



**Fig. S5** SEM images of NiCo-LDH/Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>/NF with different molar amount of Ni and Co nitrate precursors: (a-c) 4.0 mml, (d-f) 2.4 mmol, (g-i) 0.8 mmol, respectively.



**Fig. S6** (a) Ti 2p XPS spectra of  $Ti_3C_2T_x/NF$  and NiCo-LDH/Ti $_3C_2T_x/NF$ , (b, c) C 1s, and O 1s XPS spectra of  $Ti_3C_2T_x/NF$ , NiCo-LDH/  $Ti_3C_2T_x/NF$  and NiCo-LDH, respectively.



**Fig. S7.** (a, b) Cyclic voltammograms in the double layer region of the NiCo-LDH/Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>/NF and Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>/NF at different scan rates (2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 mV s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively).



**Fig. S8** (a, b, c) Cyclic voltammograms in the double layer region of the NiCo-LDH/Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>/NF with different molar amount of Ni and Co nitrate precursors at different scan rates (2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 mV s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively).