Supporting information

Oxygen and sulfur dual vacancies engineering on 3D Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄ heterostructure to improve overall water splitting activity

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Table S1. Peak area ratios and Co atomic ratios of Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4 @NF and DV- Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4 @NF in the XPS spectra.

Amounts		2p _{1/2} Co ²⁺	$2p_{1/2}Co^{3+}$	2p _{3/2} Co ²⁺	2p _{3/2} Co ³⁺	Co ²⁺ /Co ³⁺
Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	Co ₃ O ₄	0.13	0.87	0.38	0.62	0.34
	Co_3S_4	0.60	0.40	0.62	0.38	1.56
DV-Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	Co ₃ O ₄	0.31	0.69	0.59	0.41	0.81
	Co ₃ S ₄	0.64	0.36	0.92	0.08	3.55

Table S2. Peak area ratios and O atomic ratios of Co₃O₄@NF, Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF, and

DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF in the XPS spectra.

Amounts	OI	O _{II}	O _{III}	O _{II} /O _I	O _{II} /O _{III}
Co ₃ O ₄ @NF	0.27	0.18	0.55	0.67	0.33
Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	0.19	0.51	0.30	2.68	1.70
DV-Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	0.14	0.80	0.06	5.71	13.33

Table S3. Peak area ratios and S atomic ratios of $Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4@NF$ and DV-

Co ₃ O ₄	$_{4}/Co_{3}S_{4}@NF$ in the XPS spectra.	

Amounts	S 2p _{1/2}	S 2p _{3/2}	$2p_{1/2}/2p_{3/2}$
Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	0.57	0.43	1.33
DV-Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	0.75	0.25	3

Catalyst	OER	Tafel	Ref.	
	$\eta_{100} (\mathrm{mV})$			
DV- Co ₃ O ₄ /Co ₃ S ₄ @NF	233	75	This work	
C03O4/C03S4@NF	288	102	This work	
NiCo ₂ S ₄ /CoNi-LDH@CC	337	111	[1]	
NiCo ₂ S ₄ @CC	370	96	[2]	
CoMo ₂ S ₄ @NF	370	66	[3]	
CuCo ₂ S ₄ @NF	245	68	[4]	
FeCo ₂ S ₄ /CoFe-LDH@NF	259	69	[5]	
NiCo ₂ O ₄ /NiMo ₂ S ₄ @NF	420	95	[6]	
Ru-NiCo ₂ O ₄ @NF	260	83	[7]	
MgO/NiCo ₂ S ₄ @CC	310	115	[8]	
CuCo ₂ S ₄ /CuCo@CF	300	70	[9]	
NW-MnCo ₂ O ₄ /CC	482	111	[10]	
NiCo-LDH/NiCo ₂ S ₄ /CC	280	48	[11]	
MnCo ₂ O ₄ /Ni ₂ P@NF	350	114	[12]	
Ru-NiCoP@NF	285	85	[13]	
CoS/NiS@NF	420	78	[14]	

 Table S4. Comparison of OER performance with other Co-based electrocatalysts.

* η_{100} : The required overpotential at the current density of 100 mA·cm⁻².

Catalyst	HER	Tafel	Ref.
	$\eta_{10} (\mathrm{mV})$		
DV- C0 ₃ O ₄ /C0 ₃ S ₄ @NF	26	58	This work
C03O4/C03S4@NF	134	99	This work
CoMo ₂ S ₄ @NF	162	116	[3]
CuCo ₂ S ₄ @NF	61	53	[4]
FeCo ₂ S ₄ /CoFe-LDH@NF	115	3	[5]
NiCo ₂ O ₄ /NiMo ₂ S ₄ @NF	159	53	[6]
NiCo-LDH/NiCo ₂ S ₄ @CC	150	41	[11]
P-Co ₃ S ₄ @CC	65	125	[15]
NiCo ₂ S _{4-x} @CC	150	83	[16]
MnCo2O4/Ni2P@NF	57	89	[12]
Ru-NiCoP@NF	44	45	[13]
Co ₃ S ₄ /NiMoO ₄ /rGO@NF	40	47	[17]
NiCo ₂ S ₄ /NiFe-LDH@NF	200	101	[18]
Fe-Co-S@NF	143	80	[19]
Co(OH) ₂ /Ni-Co-S@NF	148	88	[20]

Table S5. Comparison of HER performance with other Co-based electrocatalysts.

* η_{10} : The required overpotential at the current density of 10 mA·cm⁻².

Catalyst	OWS	Dof	
	P ₁₀ (V)	Kel.	
DV- C0 ₃ O ₄ /C0 ₃ S ₄ @NF	1.44	This work	
C03O4/C03S4@NF	1.54	This work	
CoMo ₂ S ₄ @NF	1.65	[3]	
CuCo ₂ S ₄ @NF	1.54	[4]	
FeCo ₂ S ₄ /CoFe-LDH@NF	1.60	[5]	
Ru-NiCo ₂ O ₄ @NF	1.45	[7]	
NW-MnCo ₂ O ₄ /CC	1.47	[10]	
MnCo ₂ O ₄ /Ni ₂ P@NF	1.63	[12]	
Ru-NiCoP@NF	1.52	[13]	
Co ₃ S ₄ @FNC	1.58	[21]	
CoMoP/Co ₃ O _{4-x} @NF	1.61	[22]	
CoNi/CoFe ₂ O ₄ @NF	1.57	[23]	
Co ₃ O ₄ /Mo-Co ₃ S ₄ -Ni ₃ S ₂ @NF	1.62	[24]	
Ni ₃ S ₂ /Co ₃ S ₄ /FeOOH@NF	1.58	[25]	
V _o B-Co ₃ O ₄ @NF	1.67	[26]	
v-NiS ₂ /CeO ₂ HSs@NF	1.64	[27]	

 Table S6. Comparison of overall water splitting (OWS) performance with other

 bifunctional electrocatalysts.

*P₁₀: The required a cell voltage to drive a current density of 10 mA \cdot cm⁻².



Fig. S1. SEM images of NF.



Fig. S2. FT-IR spectra of Co₃O₄ @NF, Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF, and DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF.



Fig. S3. (a) UV-vis absorption spectra and (b) the band gap energy of $Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4@NF$ and DV- $Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4@NF$.



Fig. S4. CV curves at different scan rates for Co_3O_4 @NF.



Fig. S5. CV curves at different scan rates for $Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4@NF$.



Fig. S6. CV curves at different scan rates for DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF.



Fig. S7. CV curves at different scan rates for Co₃O₄ @NF.



Fig. S8. CV curves at different scan rates for $Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4@NF$.



Fig. S9. CV curves at different scan rates for DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF.



Fig. 10. OER polarization curves of Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF by different sulphuration time



Fig. S11. The chrono-potentiometric curve of $RuO_2@NF \parallel Pt/C@NF$.



Fig. S12. SEM image of DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF after OER test.



Fig. S13. XRD pattern of DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF after OER test.



Figure S14. EPR spectra of DV- Co_3O_4/Co_3S_4 (2) NF before and after OER test.



Fig. S15 (a) XPS spectra of DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF, high-resolution XPS of (b) O 1s,

(c) S 2p, and (d) Co 2p after 100 h stability test for OER.



Fig. S16 (a) XPS spectra of DV-Co₃O₄/Co₃S₄@NF, high-resolution XPS of (b) O 1s,

(c) S 2p, and (d) Co 2p after 100 h stability test for HER.

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