

Supplementary Information

**Synergistic effect of S vacancy and P dopants in MoS₂/Mo₂C to promote
electrocatalytic hydrogen evolution**

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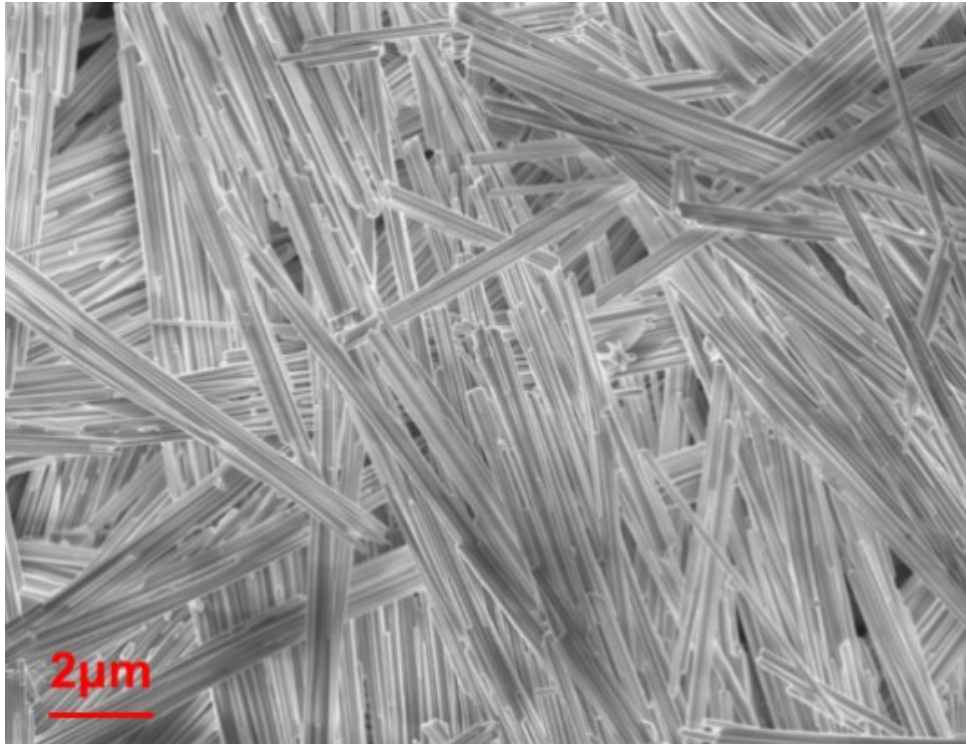


Figure S1. SEM image of Mo-MoF.

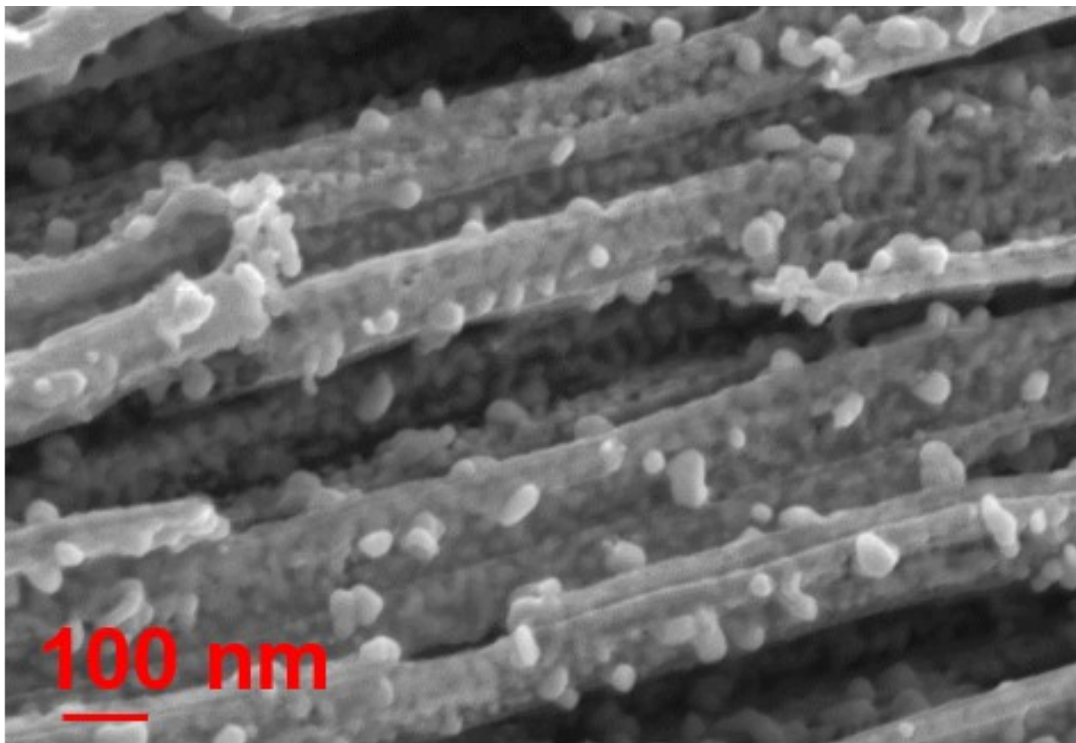


Figure S2. SEM image of Mo₂C.

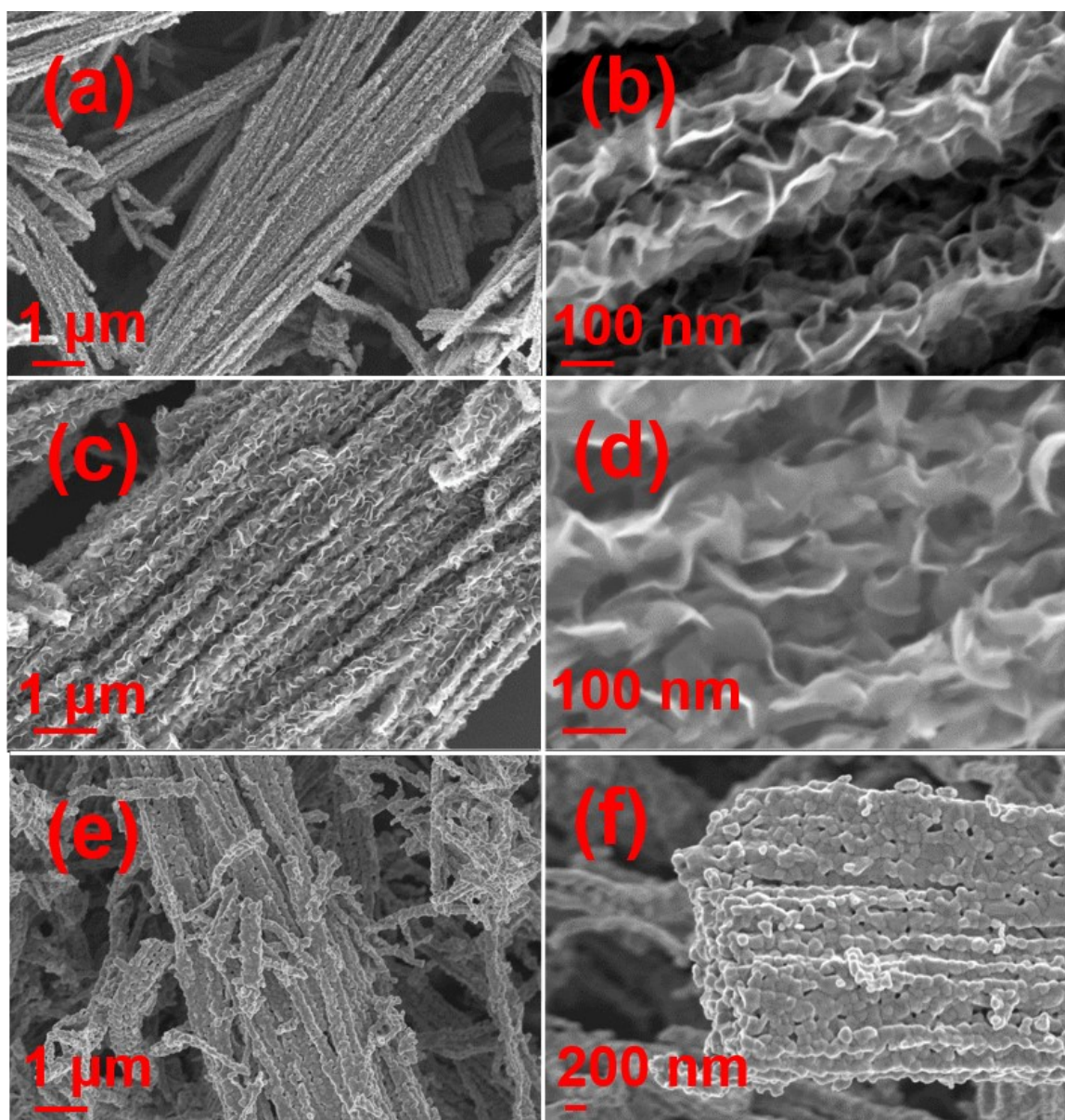


Figure S3. SEM image of different phosphating temperature (a,b) 600°C; (c,d) 700 °C; (e,f) 900 °C.

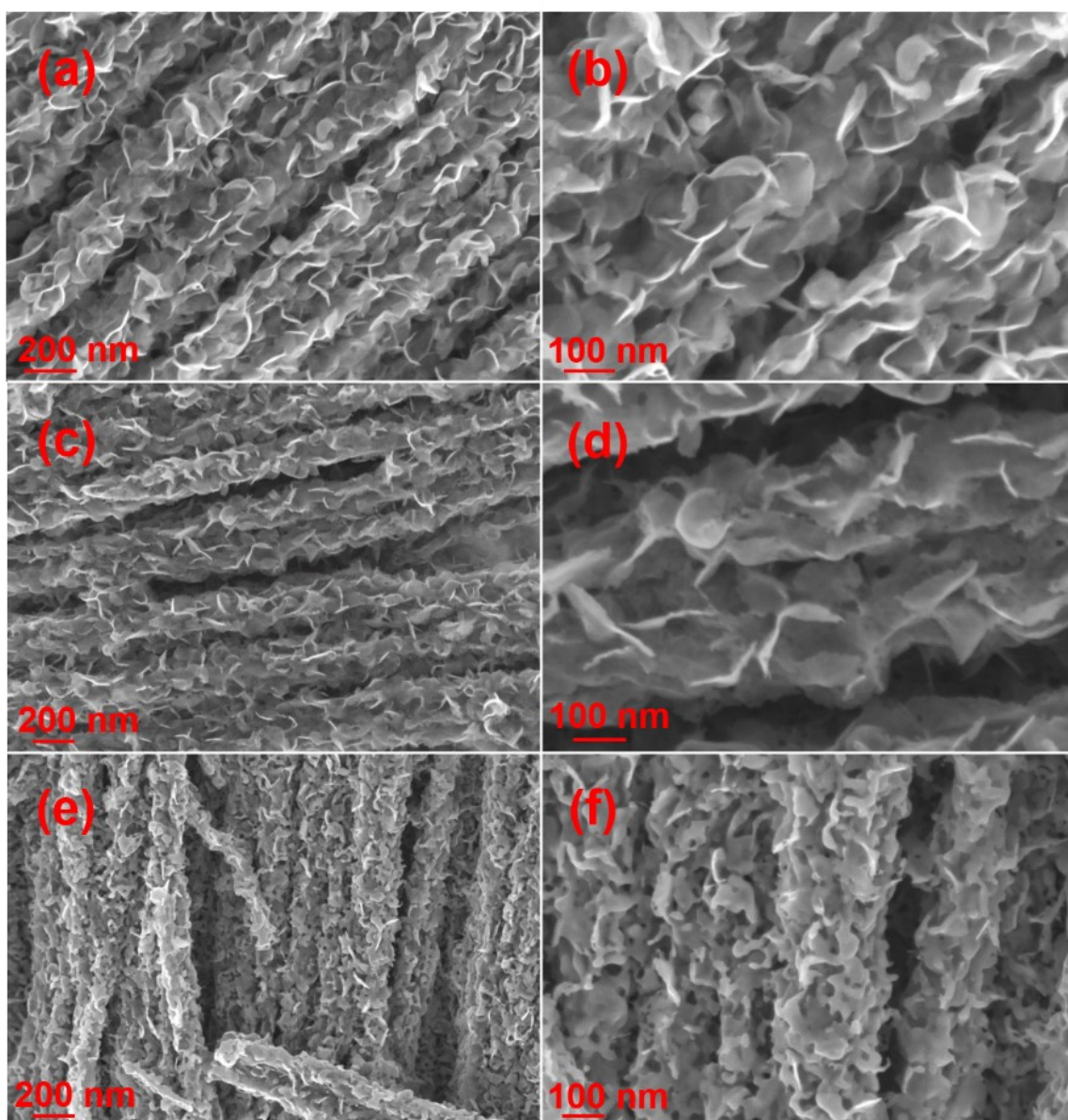


Figure S4. SEM image of different phosphorus content at 800 °C (a,b) 0.05g; (c,d) 0.2g; (e,f) 0.3g.

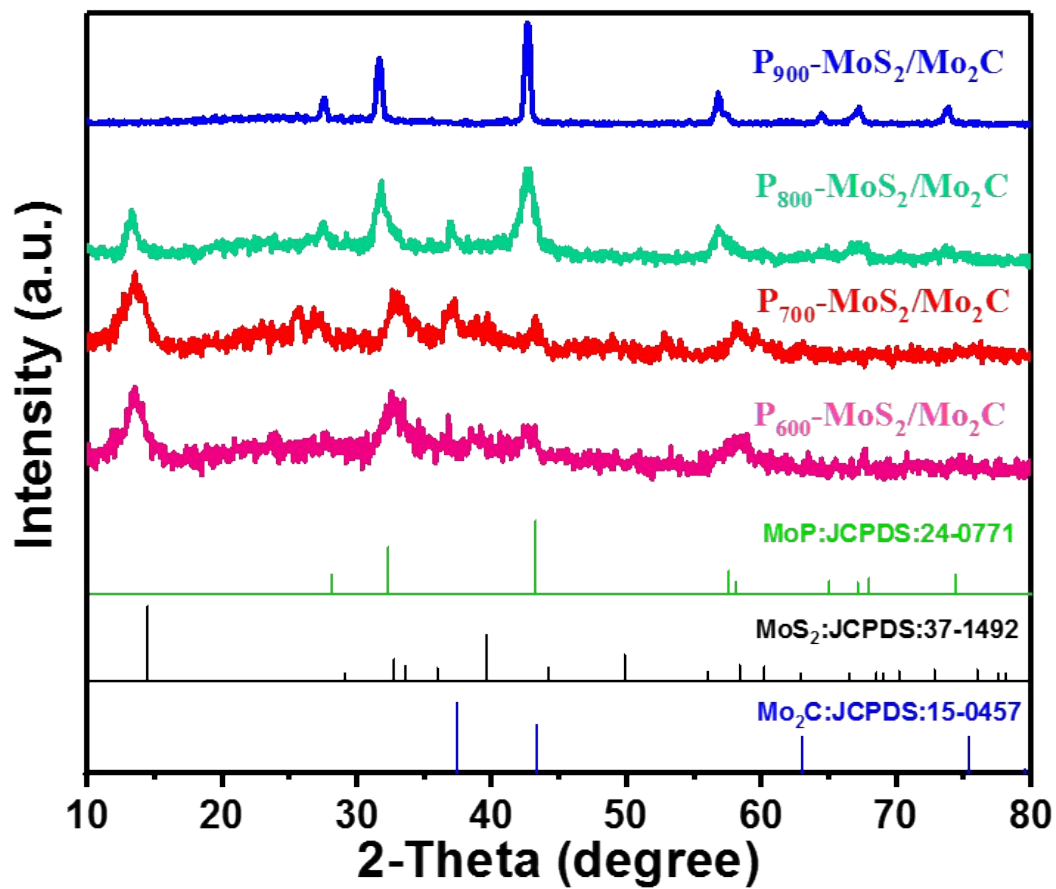


Figure S5. XRD patterns of different phosphating temperature (900°C, 800°C, 700°C, 600°C).

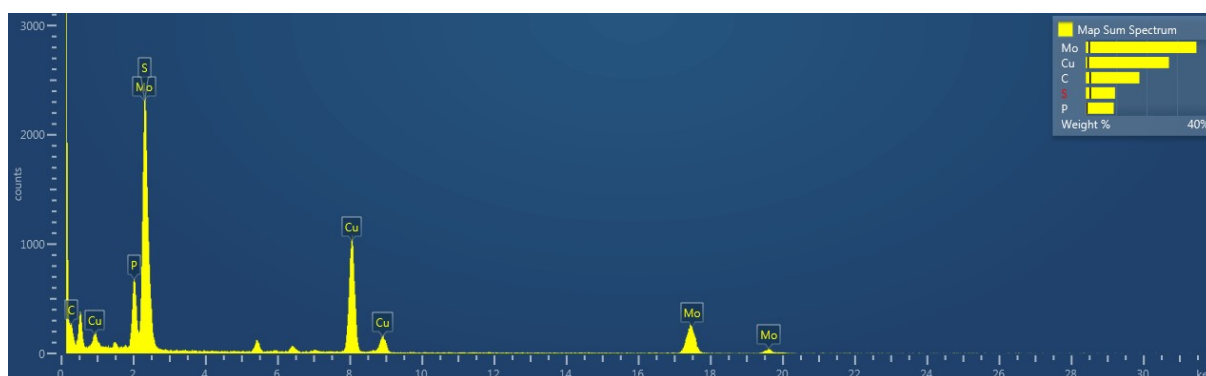


Figure S6. EDS spectra of P-MoS₂/Mo₂C.

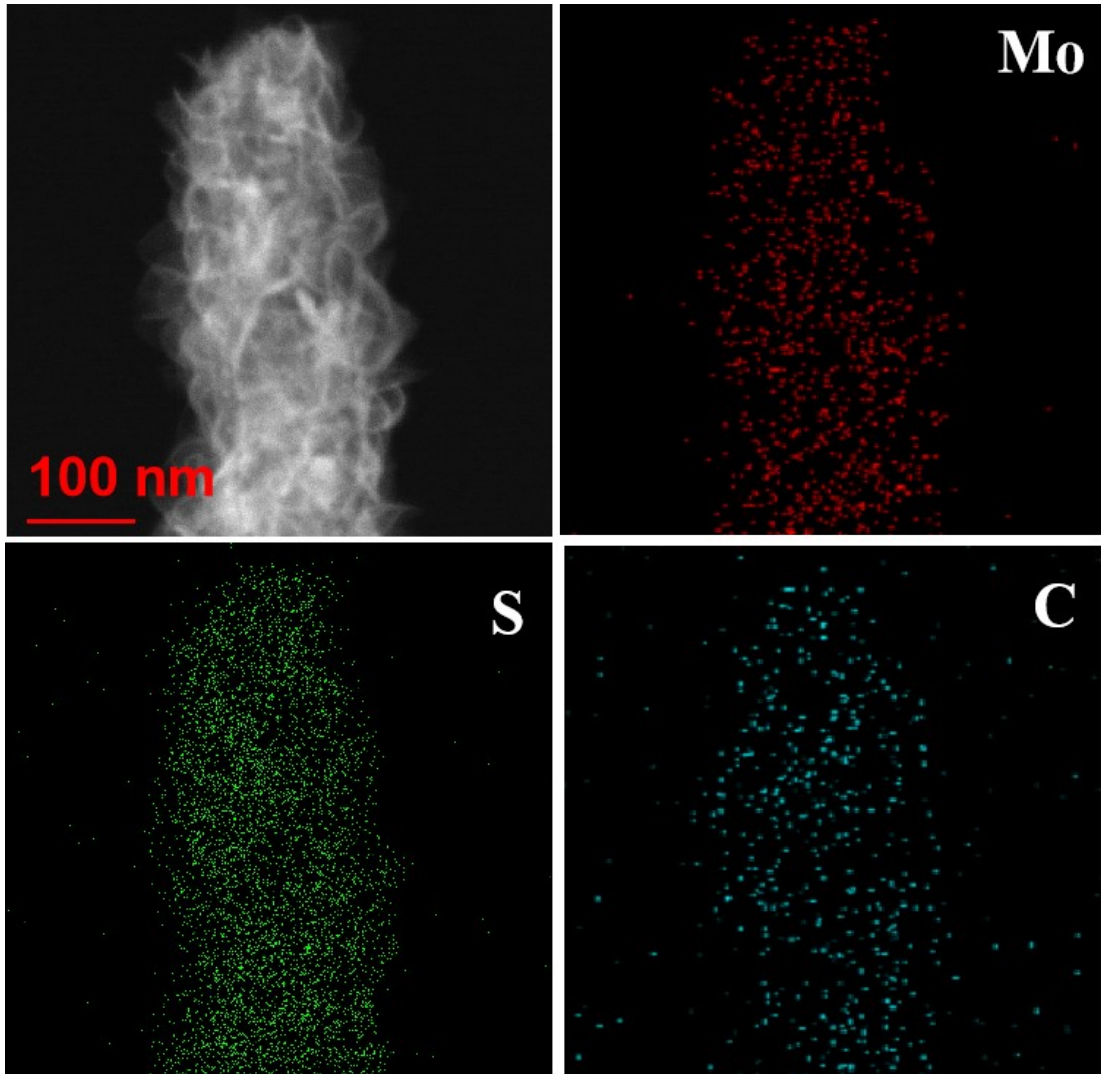


Figure S7. EDS elemental mappings of MoS₂/Mo₂C.

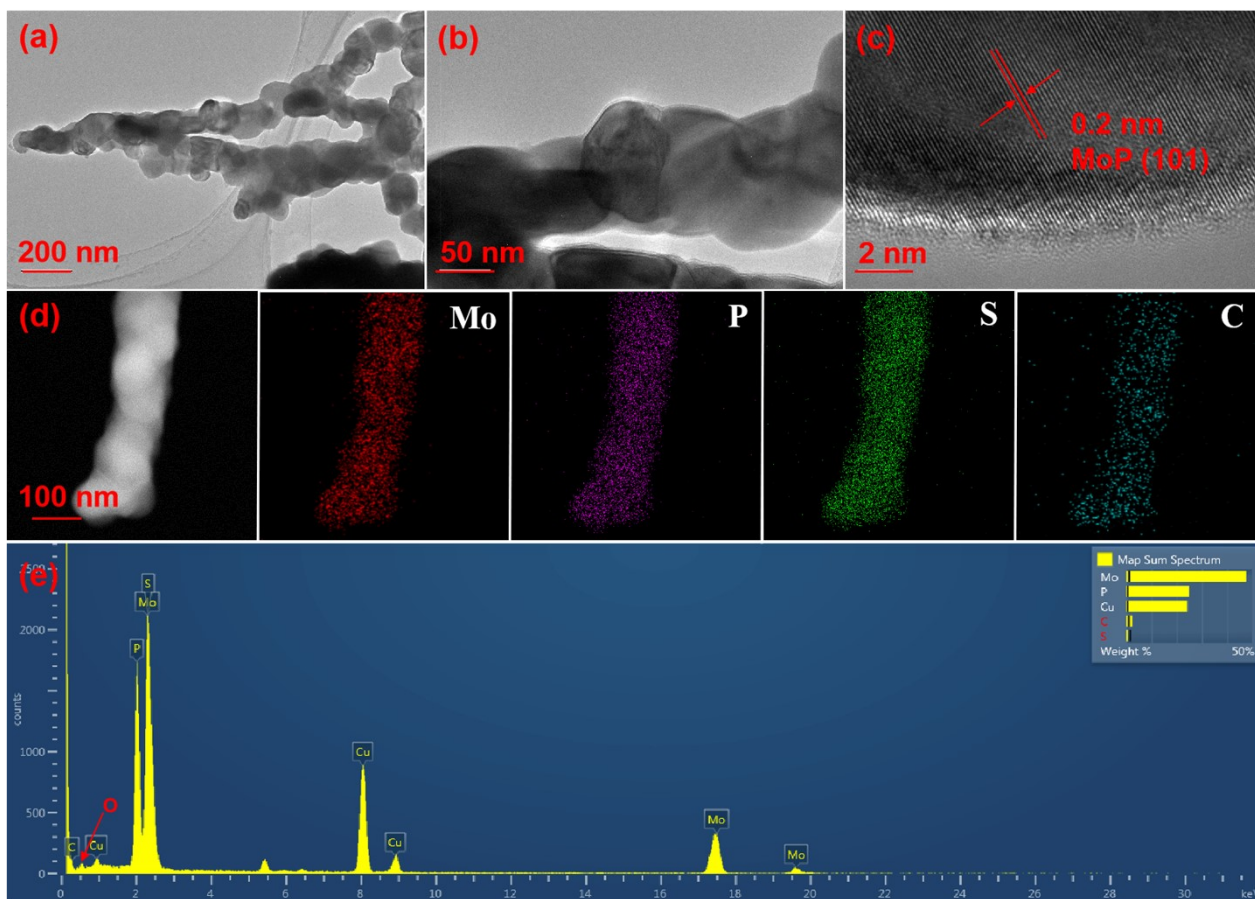


Figure S8. (a, b) TEM images and (c) HR-TEM image of P₉₀₀-MoS₂/Mo₂C (d) corresponding EDS elemental mappings of P₉₀₀-MoS₂/Mo₂C; (e) EDX spectra of P₉₀₀-MoS₂/Mo₂C.

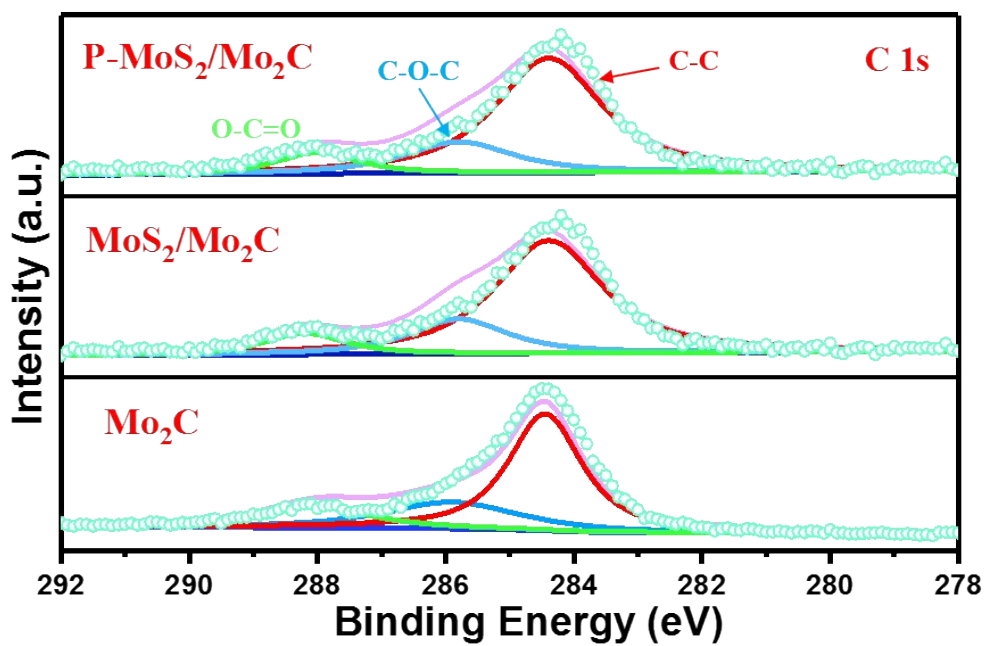


Figure S9. C 1s XPS of P-MoS₂/Mo₂C, MoS₂/Mo₂C and Mo₂C.

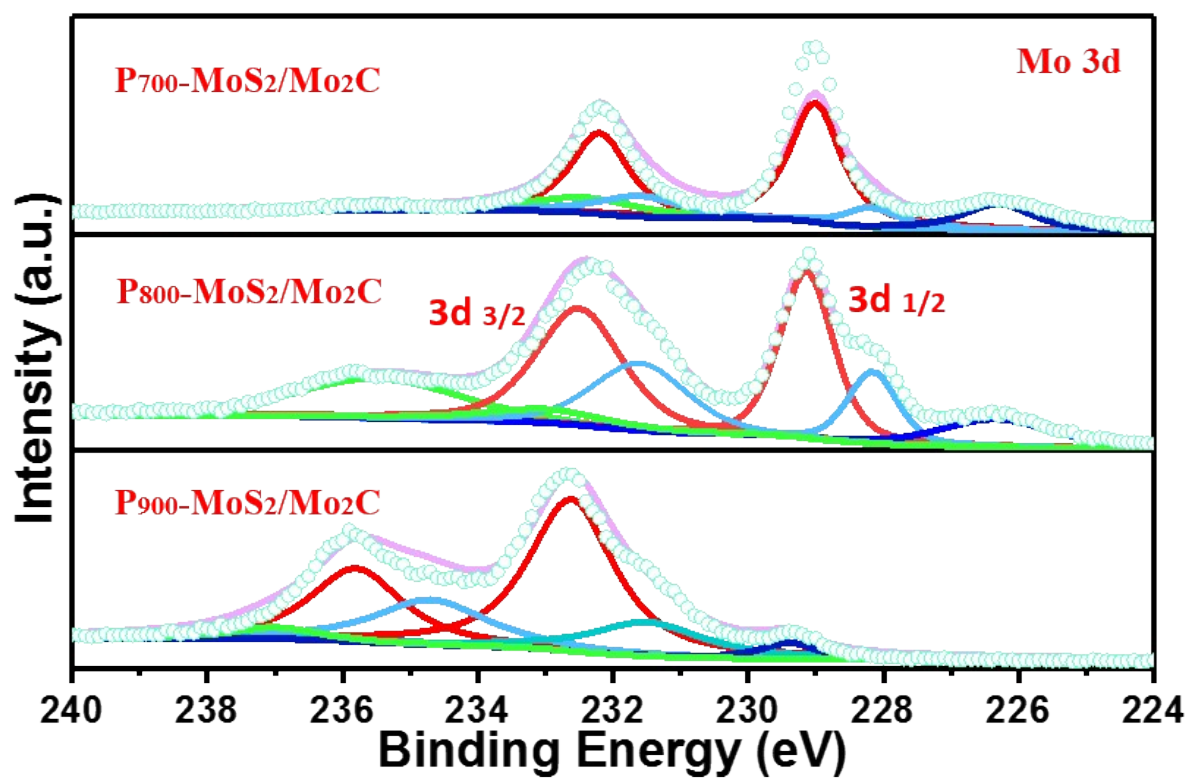


Figure S10. XPS of Mo 3d in different phosphating temperature (700°C, 800°C, 900°C).

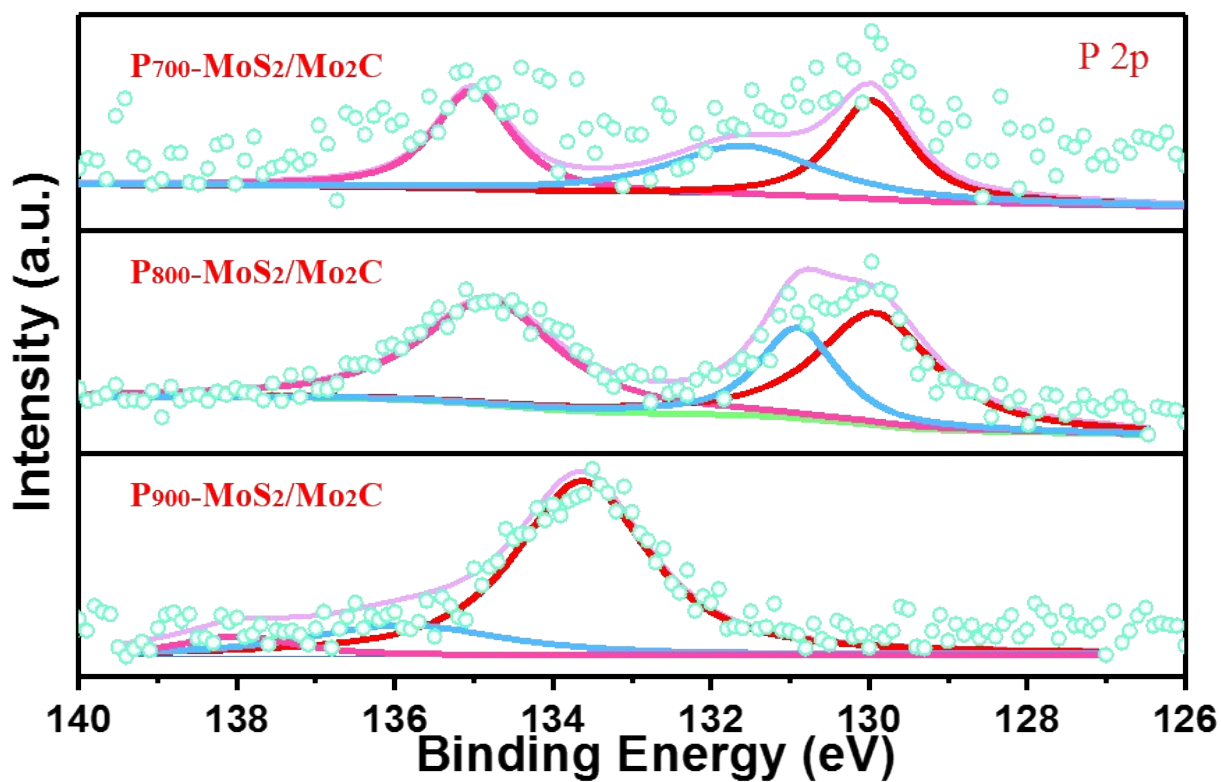


Figure S11. XPS of P 2p in different phosphating temperature (700°C, 800°C, 900°C)

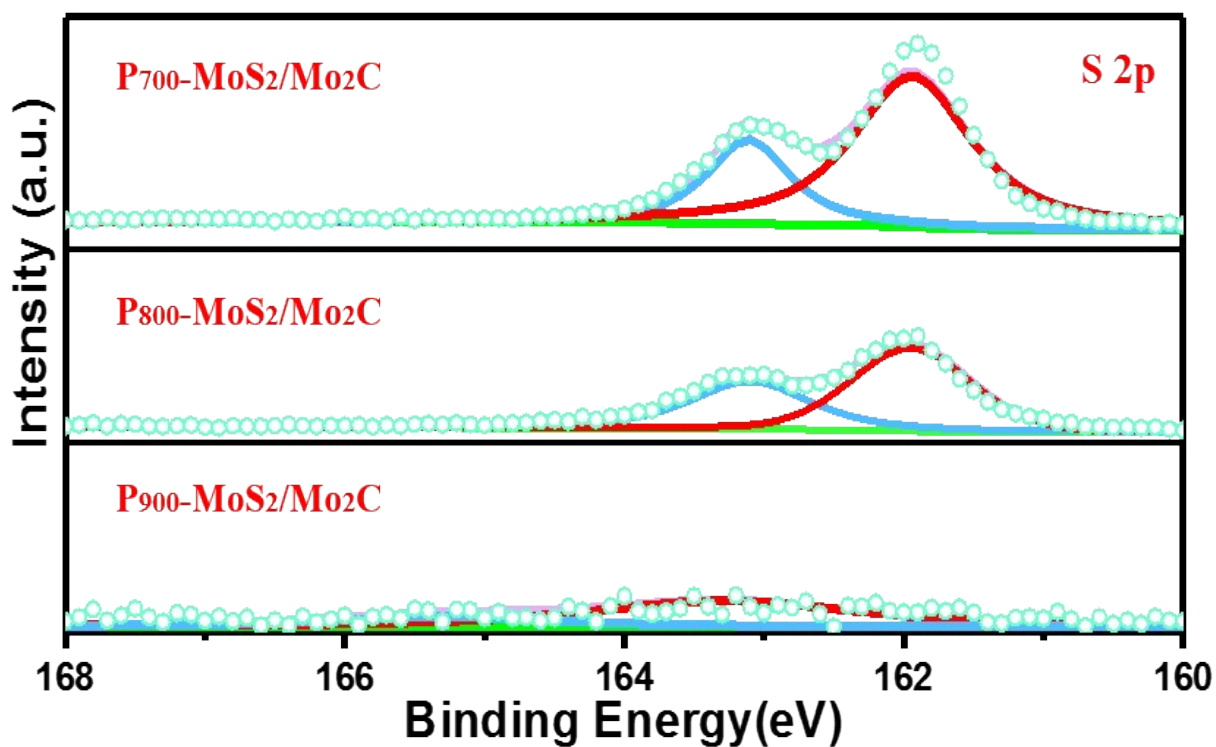


Figure S12. XPS of S 2p in different phosphating temperature (700°C, 800°C, 900°C)

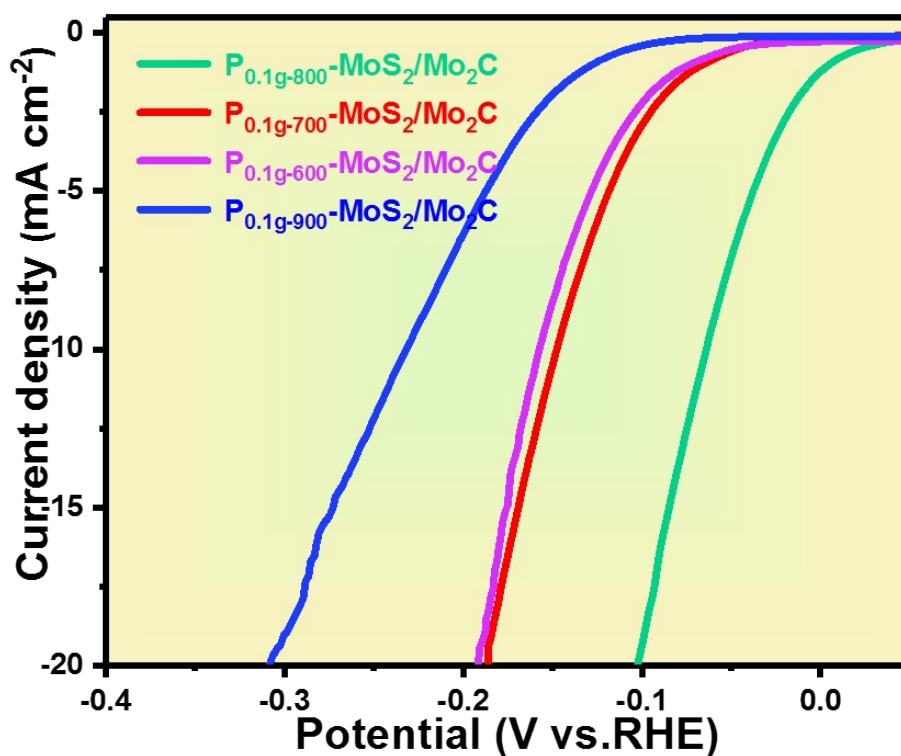


Figure S13. HER polarization curves tested at different phosphating temperature (900°C, 800°C, 700°C, and 600 °C) in 1 M KOH.

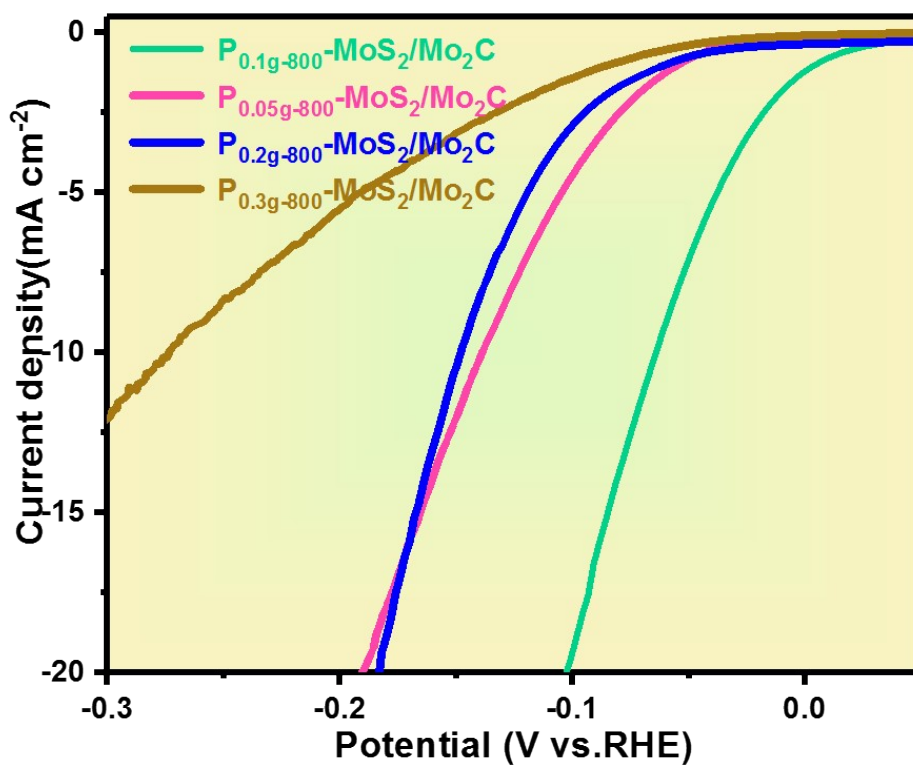


Figure S14. HER polarization curves tested of different phosphorus content (0.05, 0.1, 0.2, and 0.3 g) at 800°C.

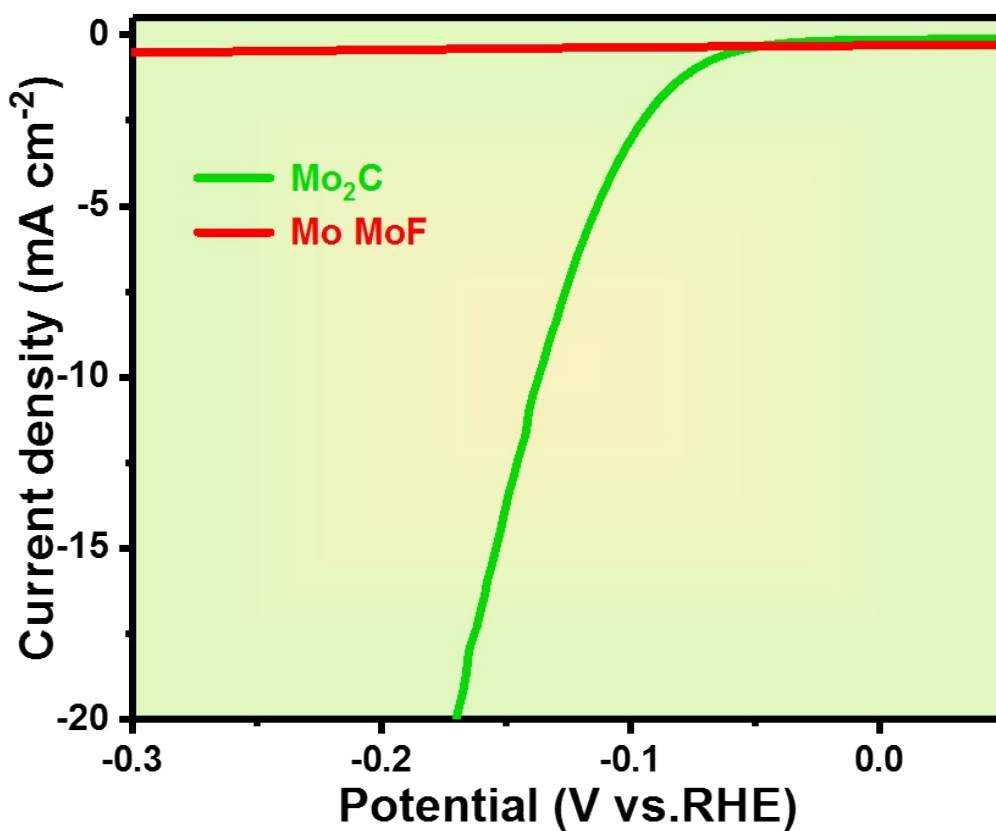


Figure S15. HER polarization curves tested of Mo₂C and Mo MOF.

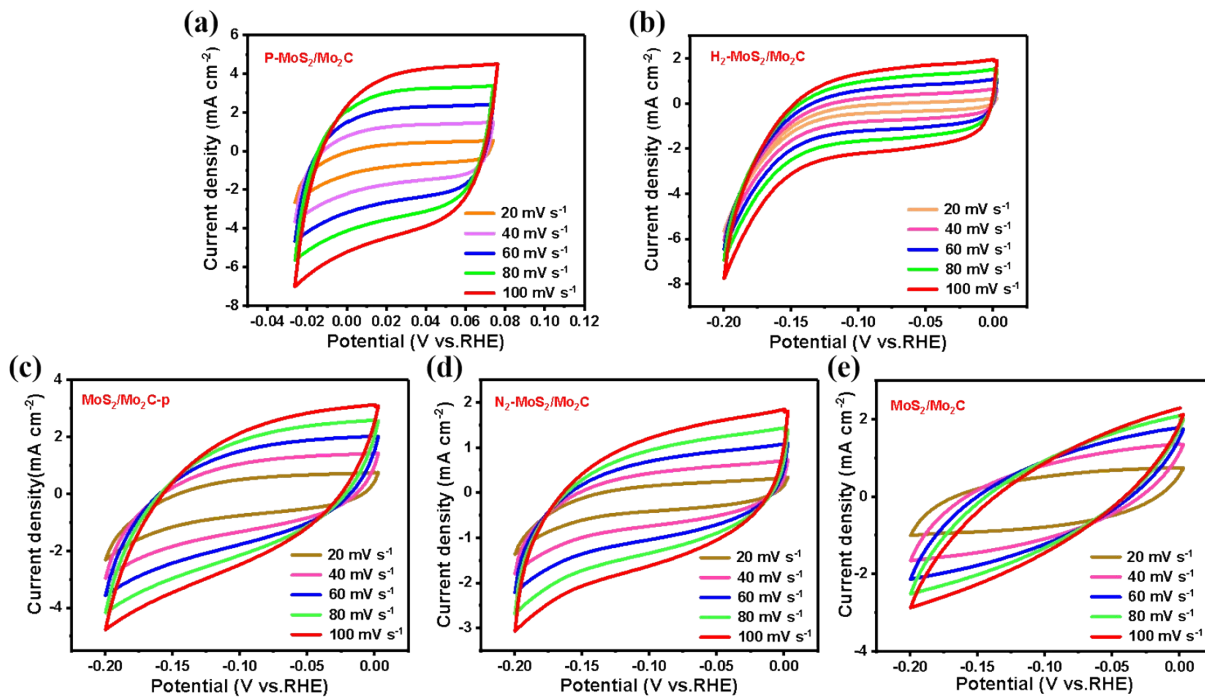


Figure S16. Typical cyclic voltammograms at different scan rates from 20 to 100 mV s^{-1} . (a) P-MoS₂/Mo₂C; (b) H₂-MoS₂/Mo₂C; (c) MoS₂/Mo₂C-p; (d) N₂-MoS₂/Mo₂C and (e) MoS₂/Mo₂C. The scanning potential range is from

1.023 V to 1.223V vs SCE.

Table S1. Summary of various MoS₂-based catalysts for HER in 1 M KOH.

Catalyst	Tafel slope		Reference
	η_{10} (mV)	(mV dec ⁻¹)	
P-MoS ₂ /Mo ₂ C	66	67	This work
H-MoS ₂ /MoP	92	59	Small, 2020, 16, 2002482 ¹
N-MoP/CC	70	–	Appl. Catal. B: Environ., (2019) 118441 ²
MoS ₂ /Mo ₂ C	63	48	ACS Catal.,(2017),7,7312-7318 ³
MoS ₂ /CoNi ₂ S ₄	78	67.4	Adv. Funct. Mater.,(2019) 1908520 ⁴
MoS ₂ /NiCoS	189	75	J. Mater. Chem. A, 2019, 7, 27594-27602 ⁵
NiS/MoS ₂	174	70.2	J. Mater. Chem. A, 2019,7,21514-21522 ⁶
MoS ₂	153	73	ACS Energy Lett. 2019, 4, 2830-2835 ⁷
CuS@MoS ₂	135	50	J. Colloid Interface Sci., 2020, 564, 77-87 ⁸
N-doped MoS ₂	114	46.8	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2019, 141, 18578-1858 ⁹
CoP/CN@MoS ₂	149	88	ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces 2019,11, 366 ¹⁰

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