

Electronic Supplementary Information

Fe-modulated NH₂-CoFe MOF nanosheet arrays on nickel foam by cation exchange reaction for efficient OER electrocatalyst at high current density in alkaline water/seawater

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Figure S1. Photograph image for measuring pH of 1M KOH electrolyte.

Table S1. List of Abbreviations.

Abbreviations	Full form
NF	Nickel foam
NH ₂ -Co MOF	Amino functionalized Cobalt-Metal organic framework with NH ₂ -BDC linker
Co MOF	Cobalt-Metal organic framework with BDC linker
CoFe MOF	Cobalt, Iron-Metal organic framework by cation exchange reaction with FeSO ₄
NH ₂ -CoFe MOF-FeCl ₃	Amino functionalized Cobalt, Iron-Metal organic framework by cation exchange reaction with FeCl ₃
NH ₂ -CoFe MOF	Amino functionalized Cobalt, Iron-Metal organic framework by cation exchange reaction with FeSO ₄

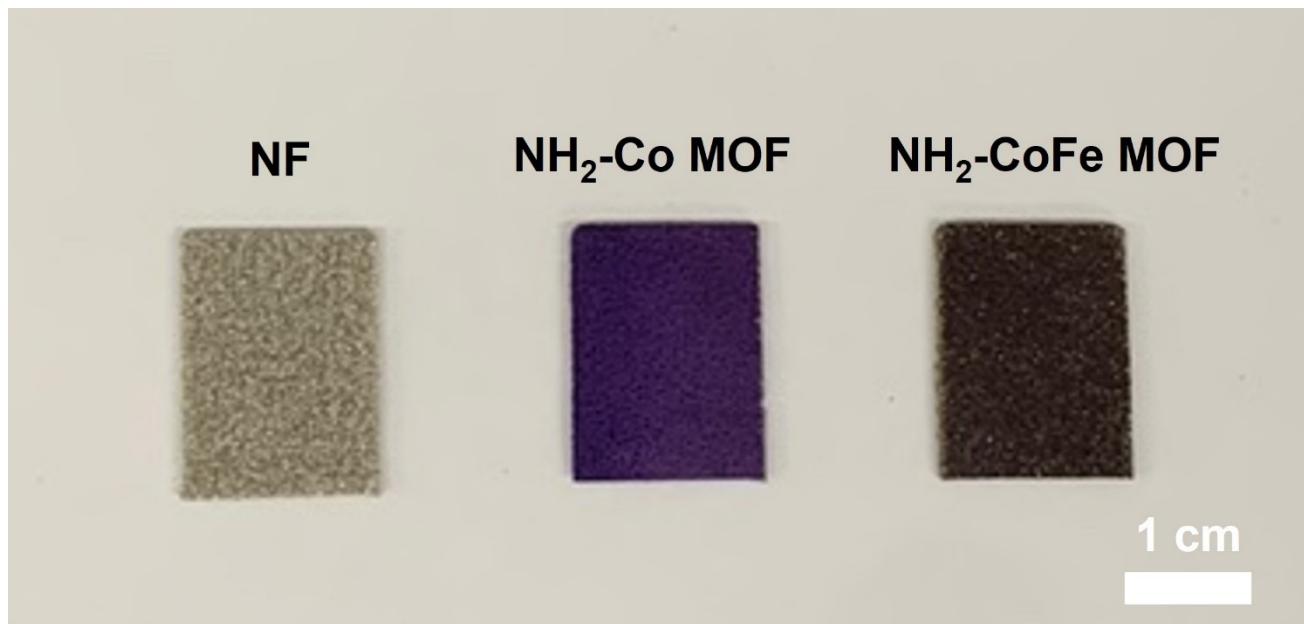


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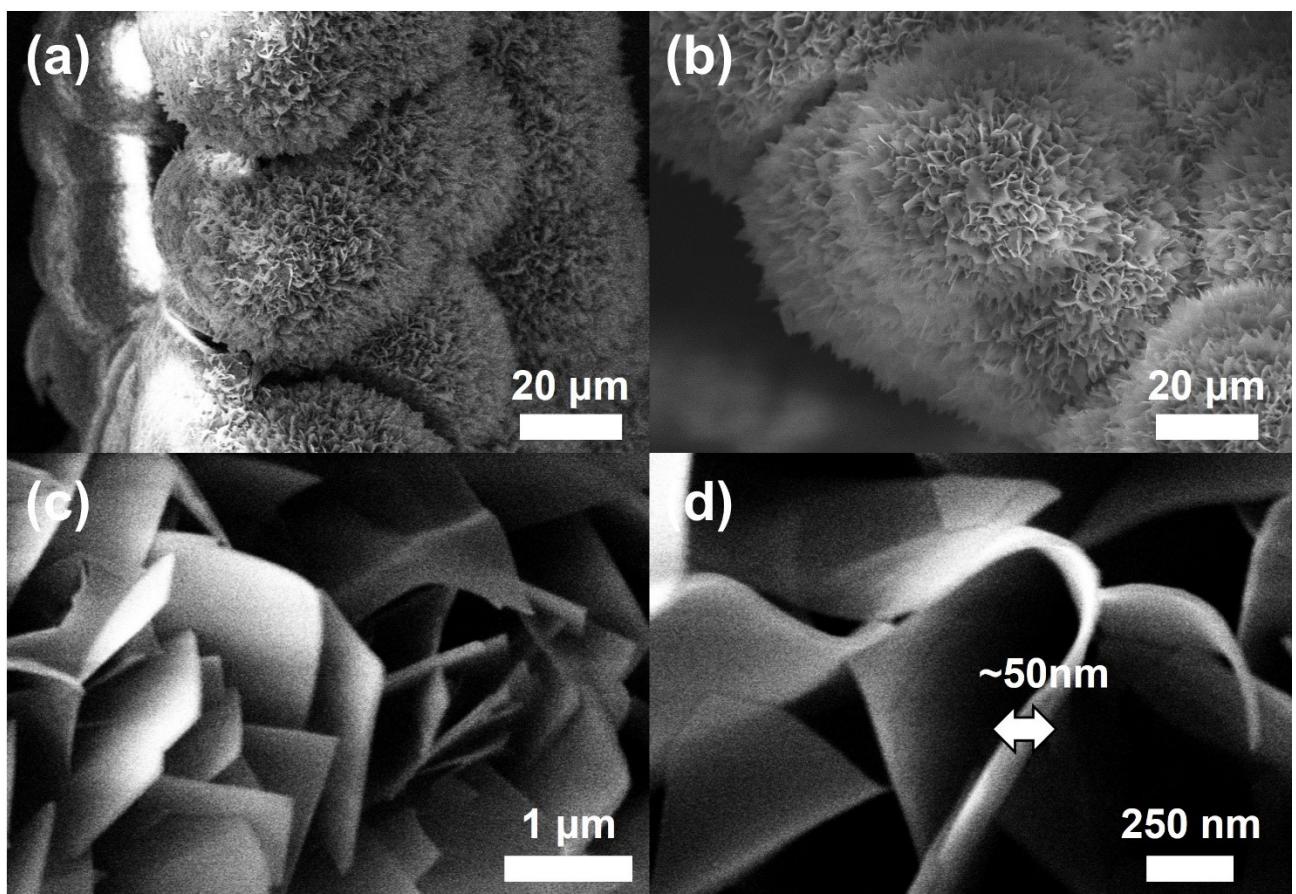


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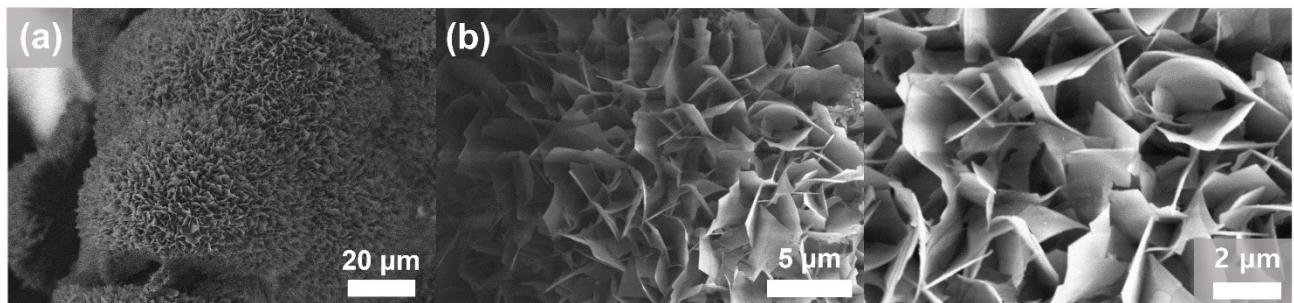


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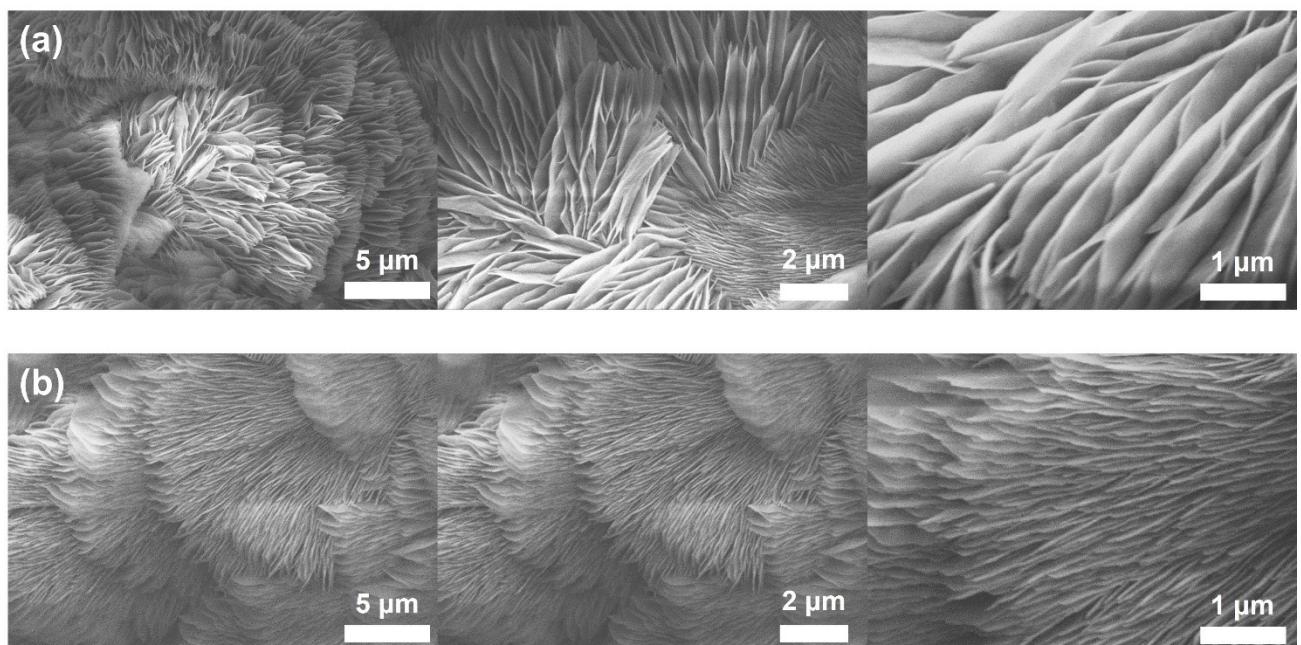


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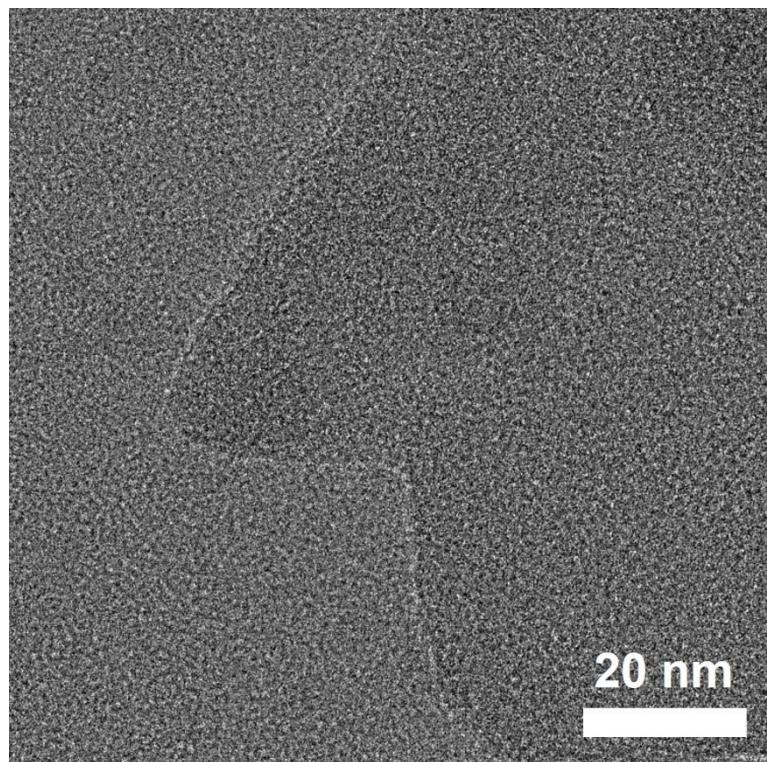


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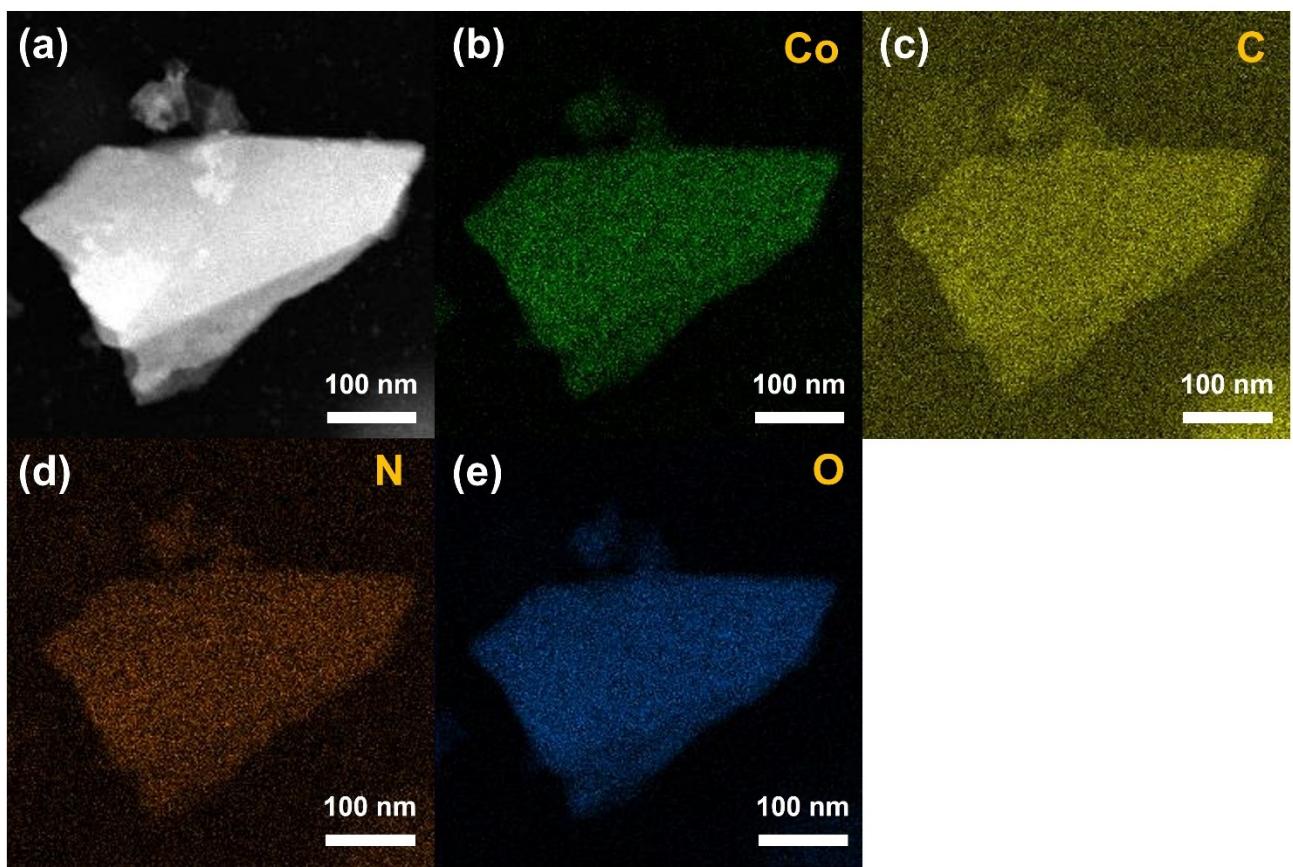


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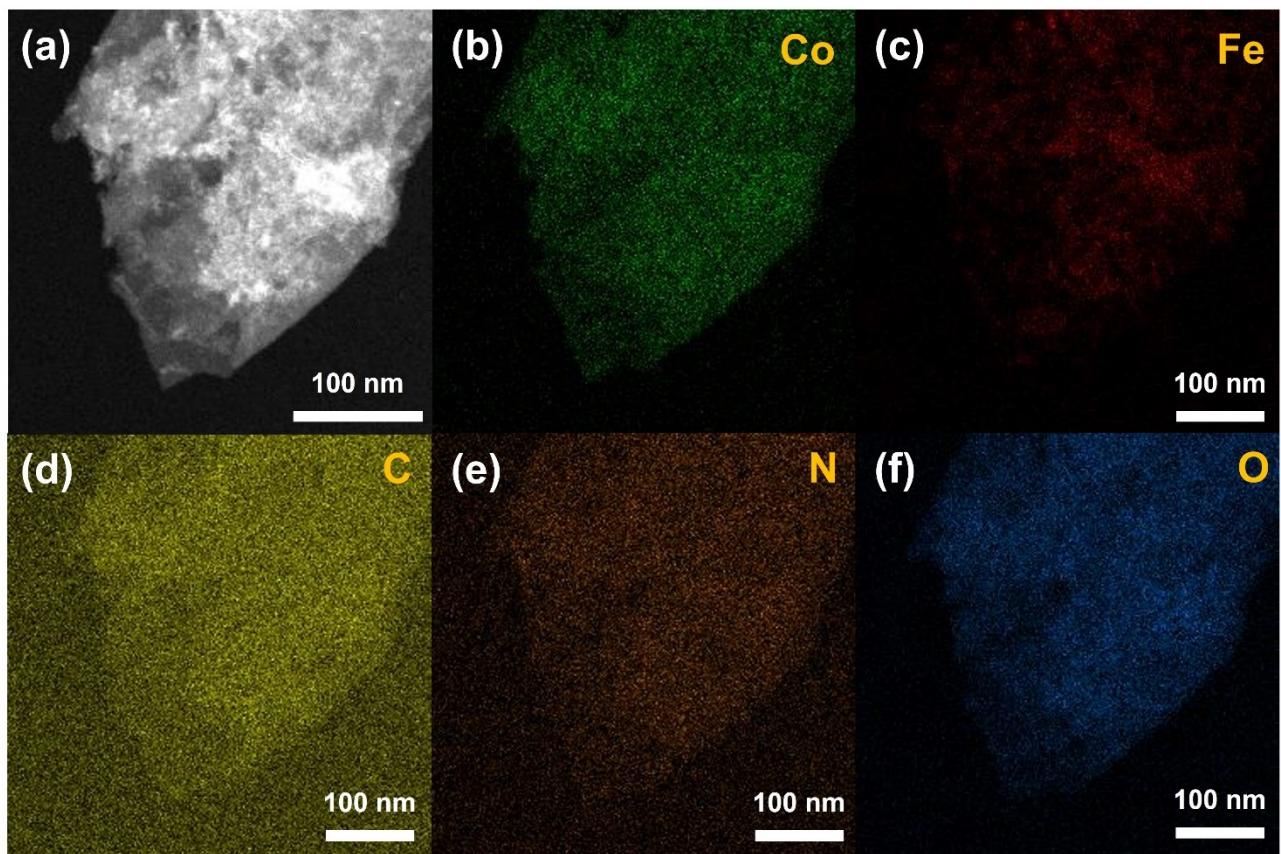


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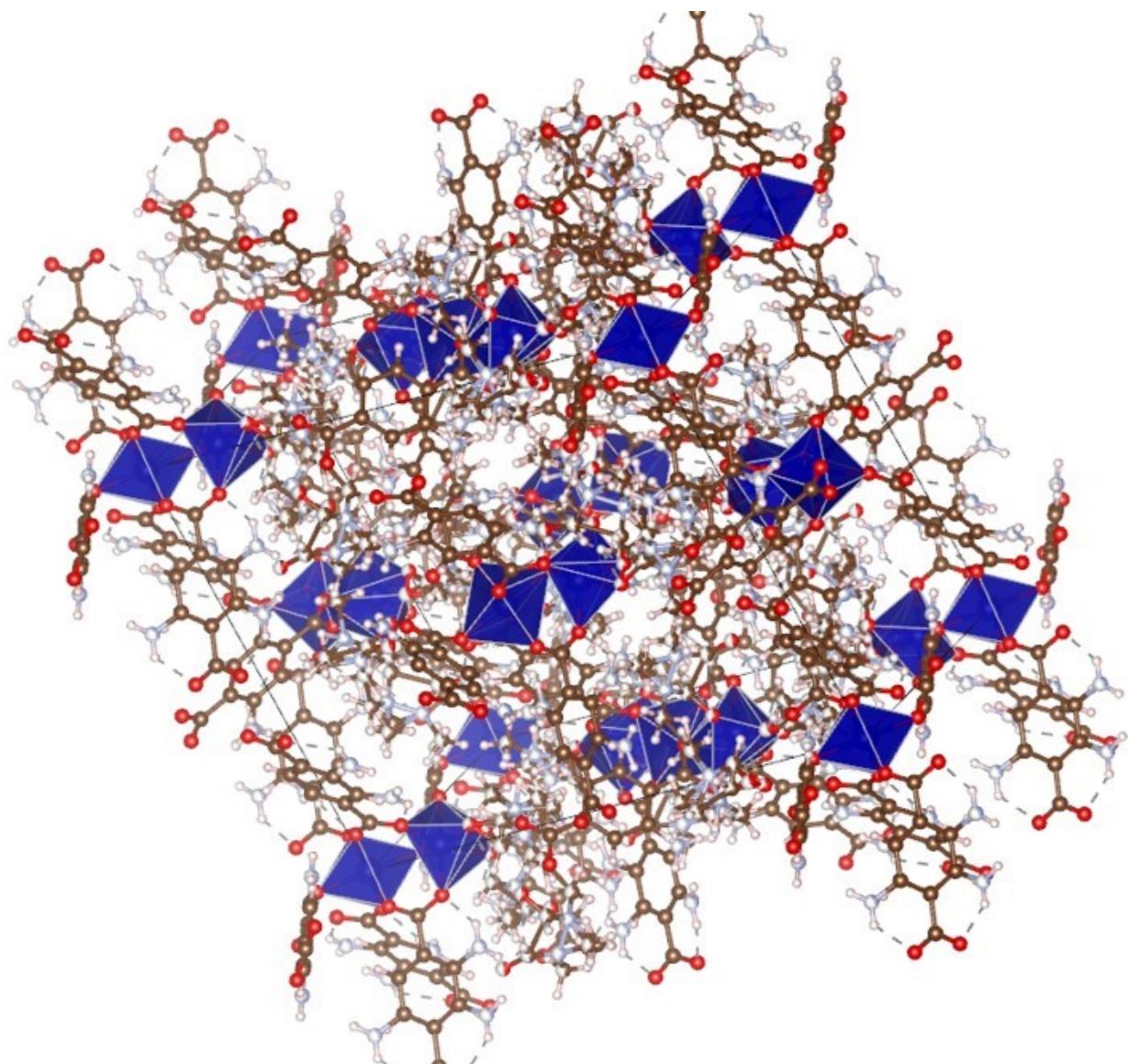


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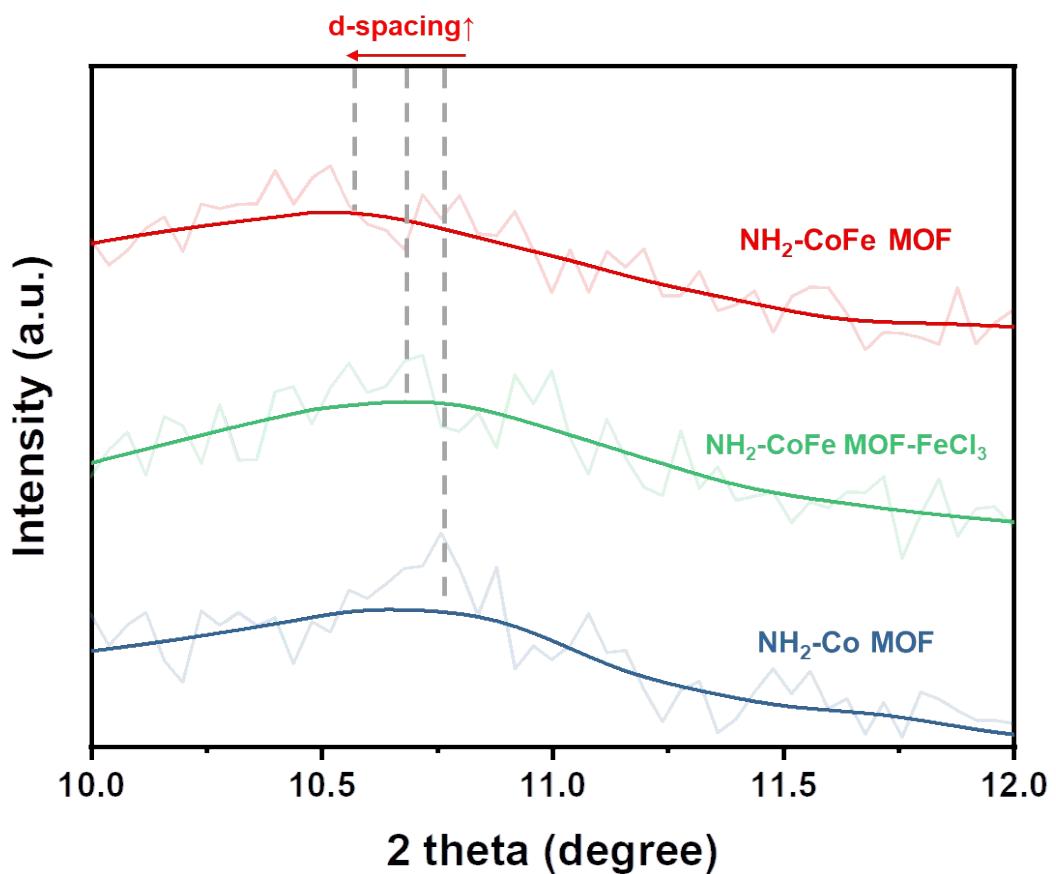


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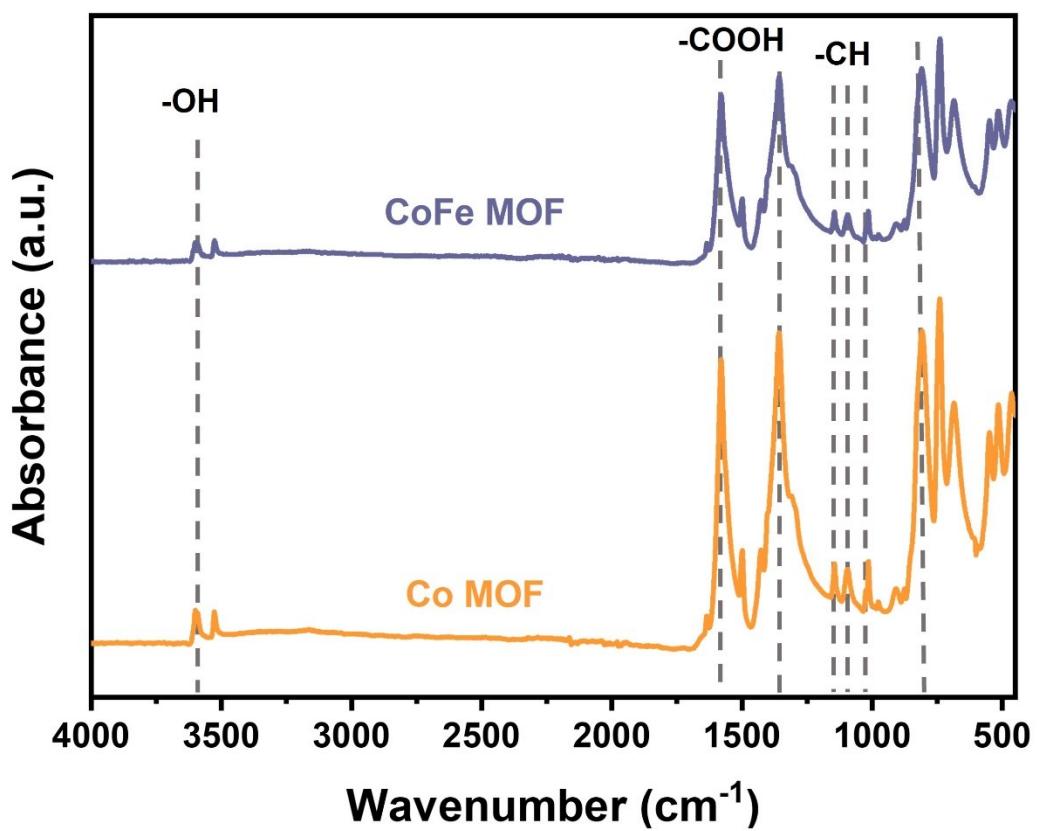


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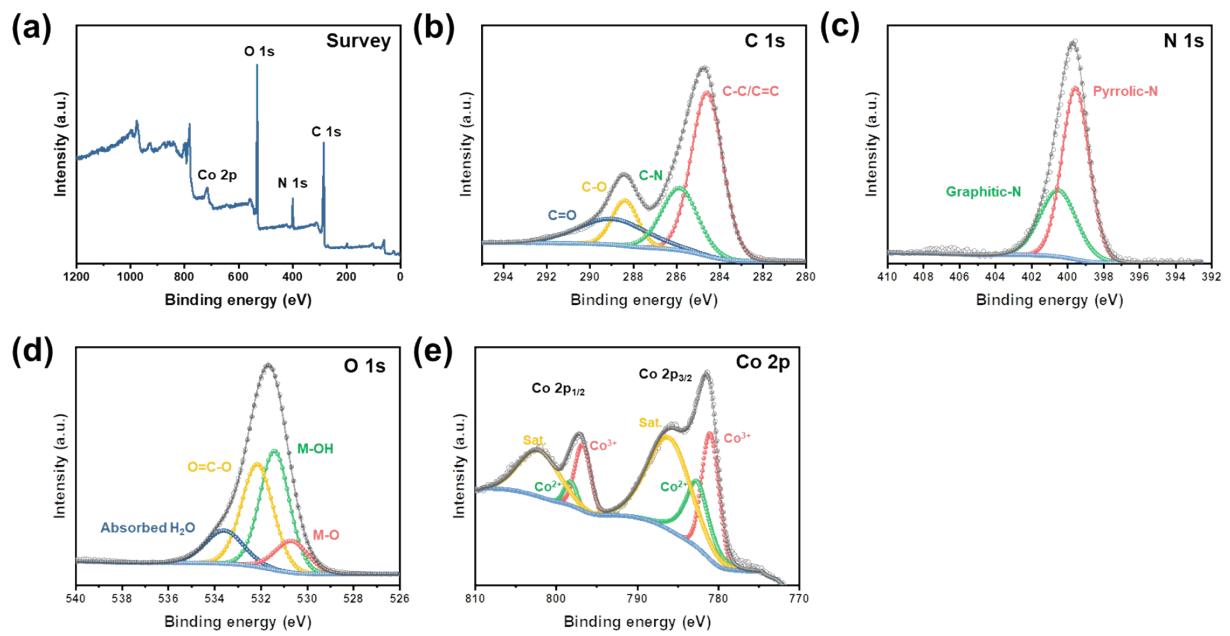


Figure S12. XPS spectra of NH₂-Co MOF (a) survey; (b) C 1s; (c) O 1s; (d) N 1s; (e) Co 2p.

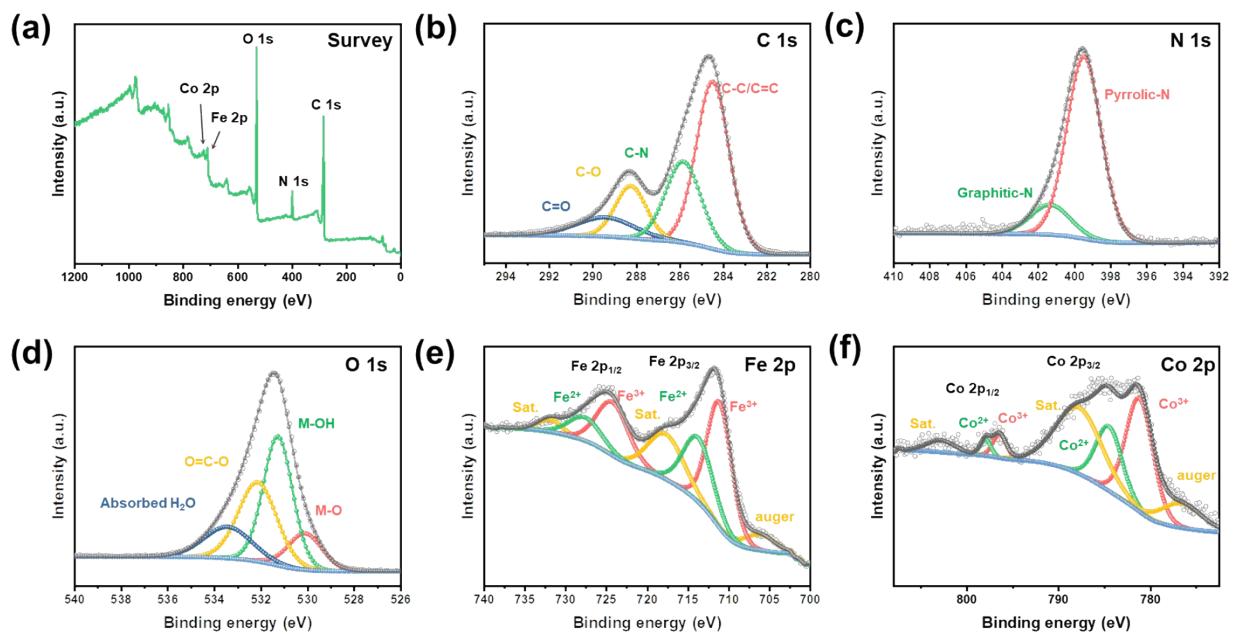


Figure S13. XPS spectra of NH₂-CoFe MOF-FeCl₃ (a) survey; (b) C 1s; (c) O 1s; (d) N 1s; (e) Fe 2p; (f) Co 2p.

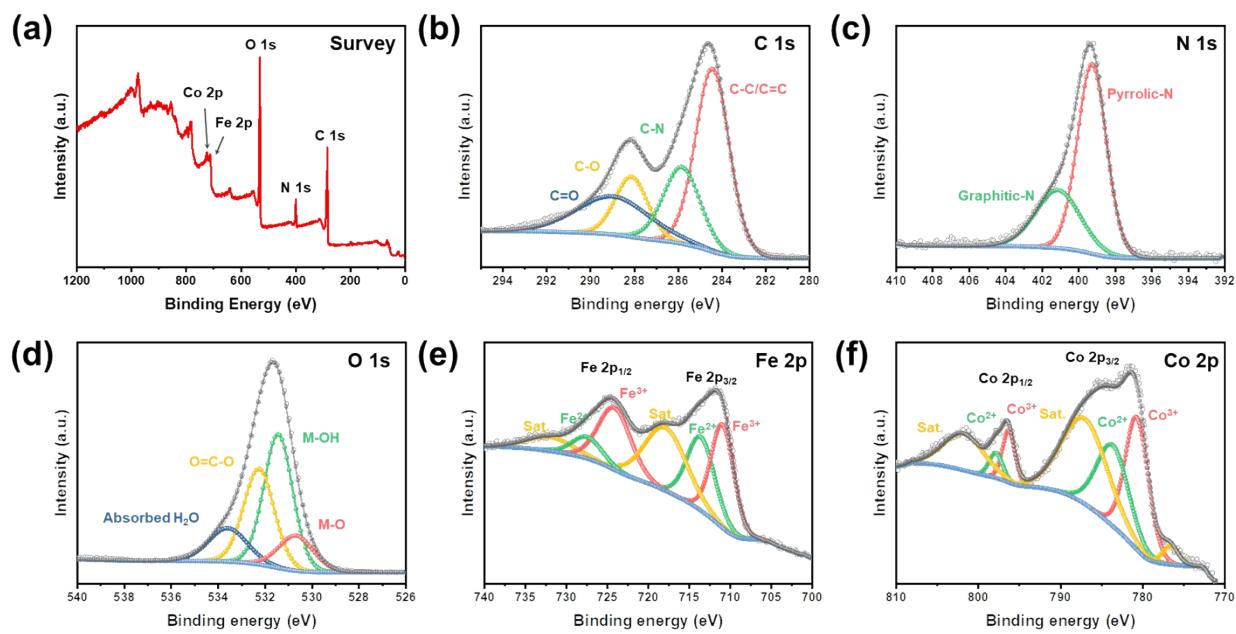


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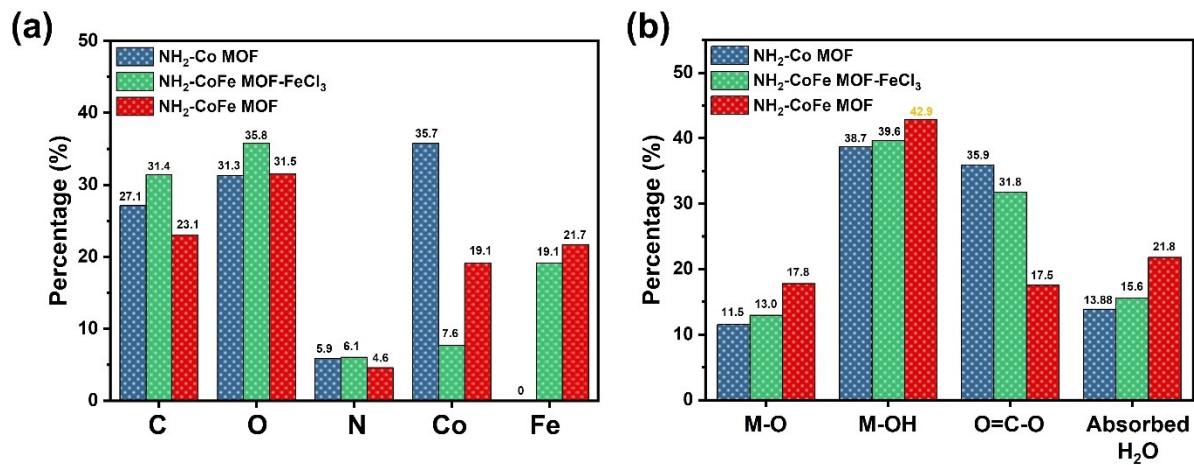


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Table S2. XPS spectra results of Co 2p, Fe 2p, O 1s, N 1s, and C 1s of NH₂-Co MOF, NH₂-CoFe MOF-FeCl₃, and NH₂-CoFe MOF.

Peak	Assignment	NH ₂ -Co MOF	NH ₂ -CoFe MOF- FeCl ₃	NH ₂ -CoFe MOF
Co 2p	2p _{1/2}	796.7	796.4	796.3
	2p _{3/2}	781.5	781.3	781.1
Fe 2p	2p _{1/2}	-	724.7	724.6
	2p _{3/2}	-	711.7	711.7
O 1s	M-O	530.6	530.6	530.6
	M-OH	531.3	531.2	531.4
	O=C-O	532.1	532.1	532.1
	Absorbed H ₂ O	533.5	533.4	533.4
N 1s	Graphitic-N	399.5	399.5	399.3
	Pyrrolic-N	400.4	401.3	401.1
C 1s	C-C/C=C	284.5	284.4	284.4
	C-N	285.8	285.8	285.8
	C-O	288.3	288.2	288.2
	C=O	289.1	289.1	289.1

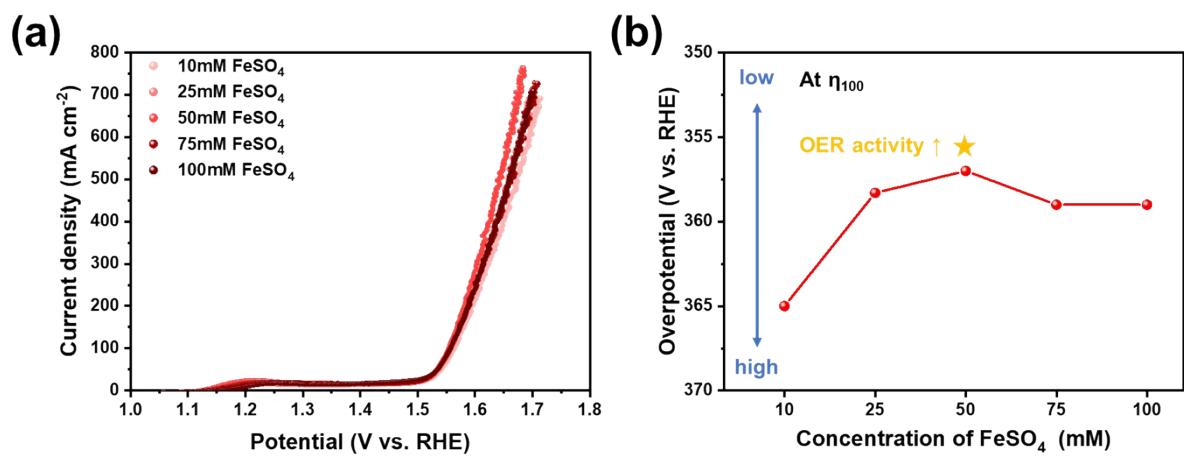


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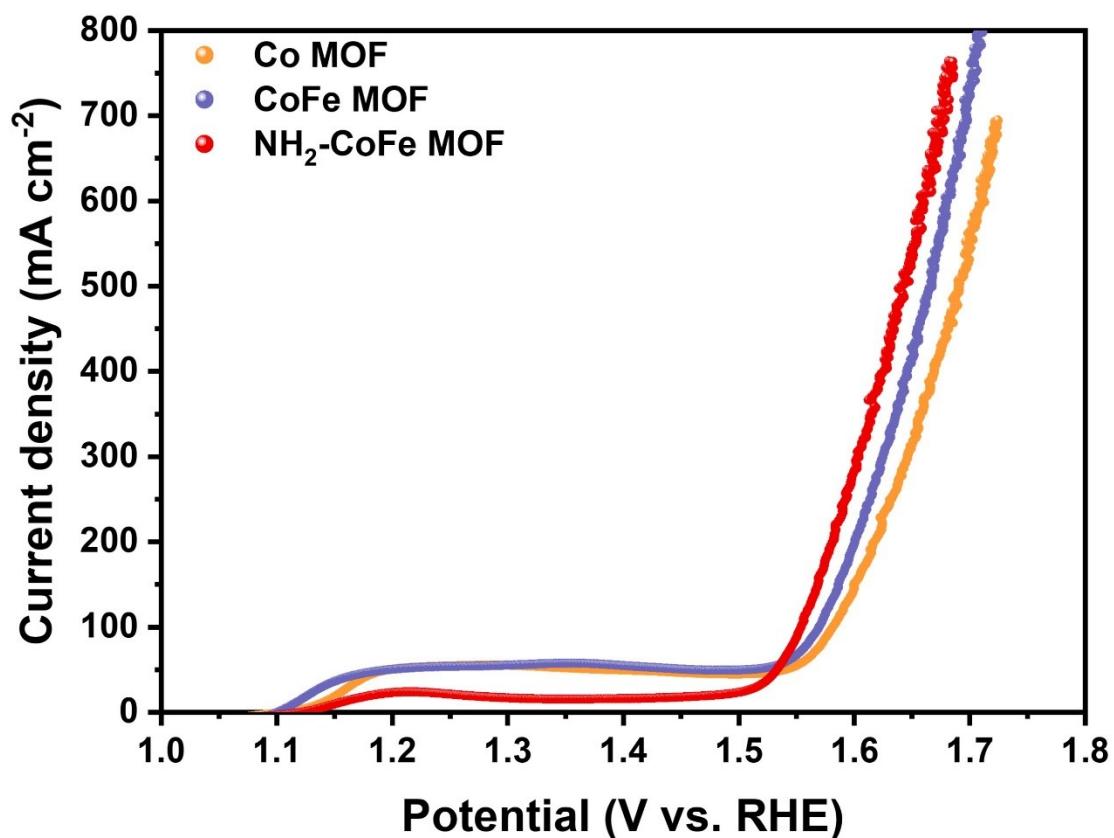


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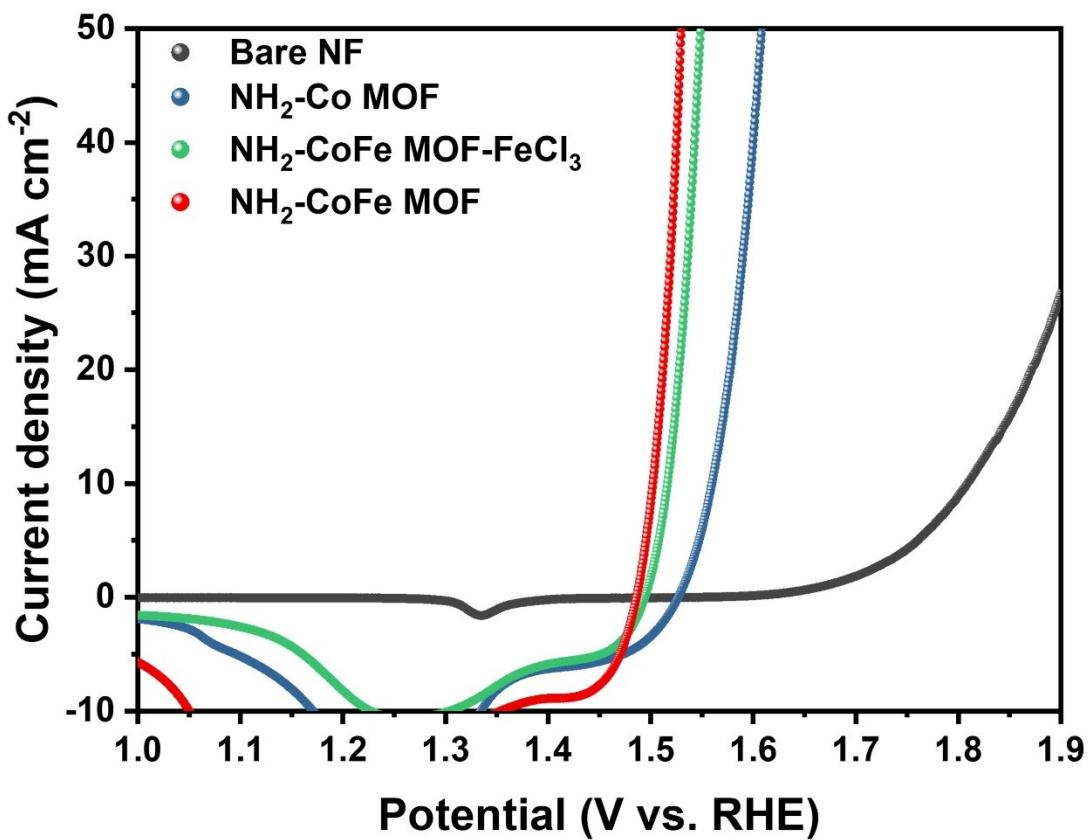


Figure S18. Backward LSV curves of Bare NF, $\text{NH}_2\text{-Co MOF}$, $\text{NH}_2\text{-CoFe MOF-FeCl}_3$, and $\text{NH}_2\text{-CoFe MOF}$ at 2mV s^{-1} with 90% iR compensation.

Table S3. Overpotential of OER catalysts at 100 mA cm⁻².

Sample	Overpotential at 100 mA cm ⁻²
NF	729 mV
Co MOF	351 mV
NH ₂ -Co MOF	401 mV
CoFe MOF	339 mV
NH ₂ -CoFe MOF-FeCl ₃	346 mV
NH ₂ -CoFe MOF	310 mV

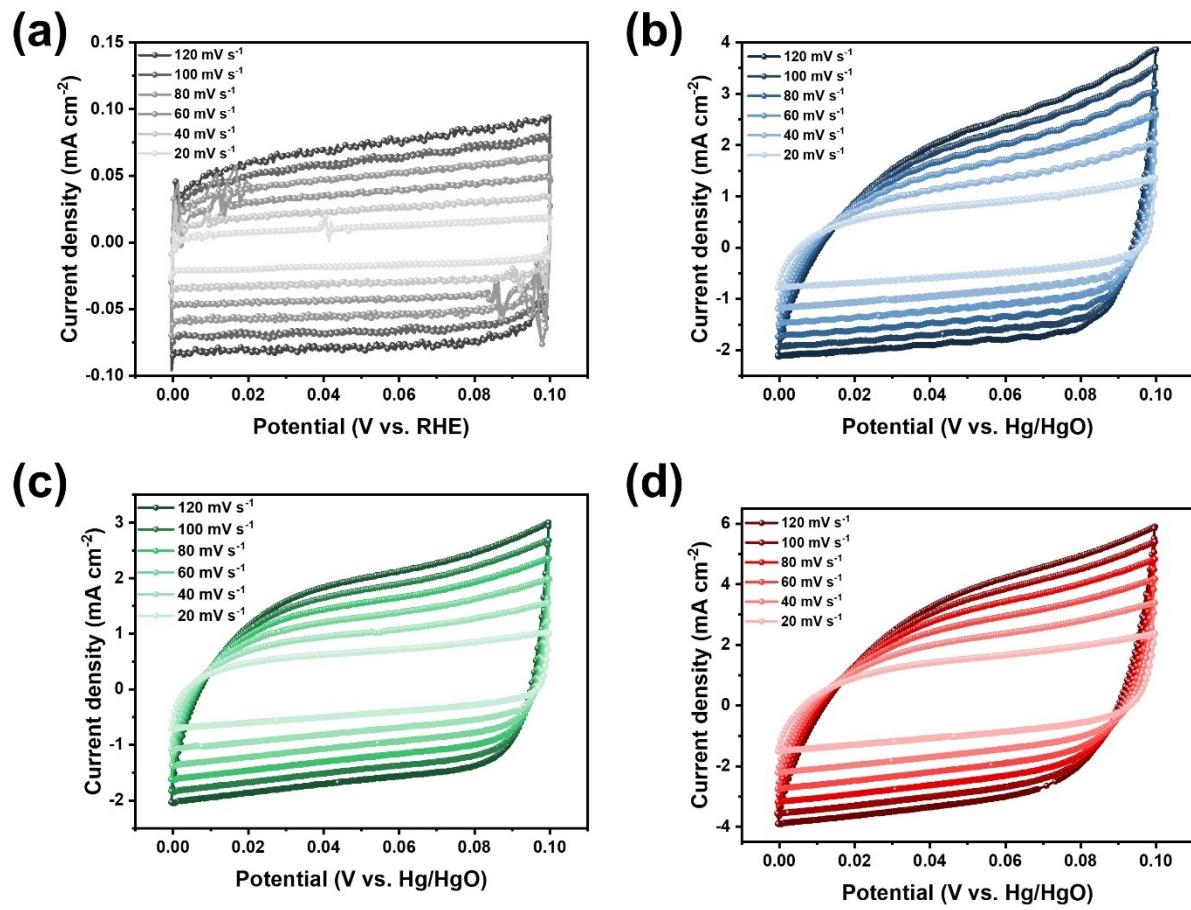


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Table S4. Calculated ECSA from C_{dl} values of NF, NH₂-Co MOF, NH₂-CoFe MOF-FeCl₃ and NH₂-CoFe MOF.

	NF	NH ₂ -Co MOF	NH ₂ -CoFe MOF-FeCl ₃	NH ₂ -CoFe MOF
ECSA (cm ²)	31.25	688.0	624.0	1113.5

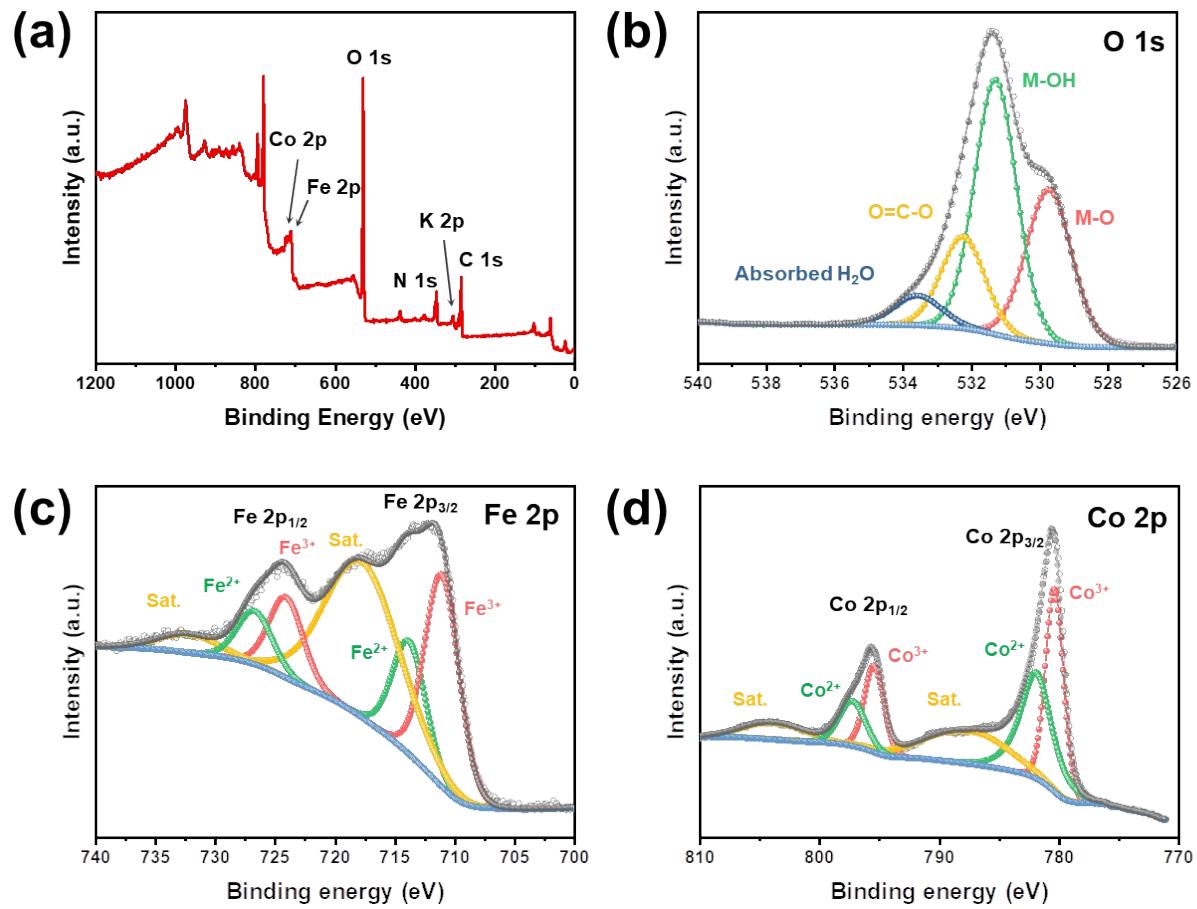


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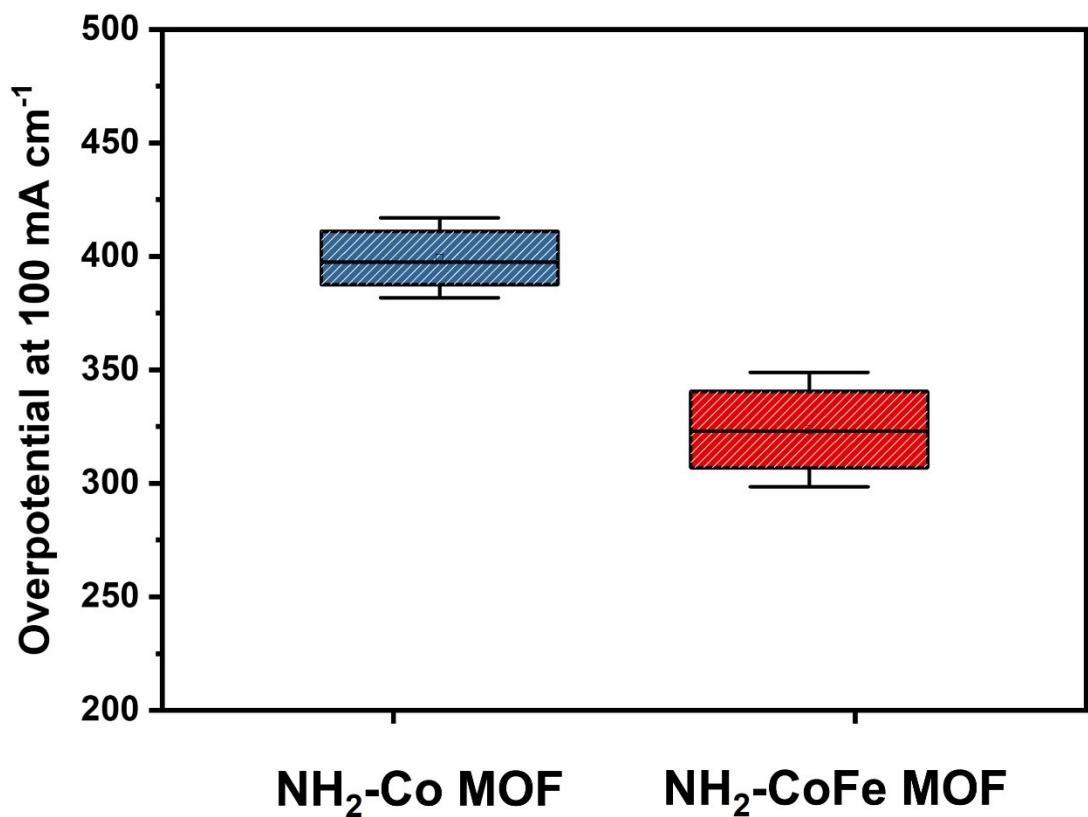


Figure S21. Reproducibility test of the NH₂-Co MOF, NH₂-CoFe MOF.

Table S5. Catalytic properties for OER of the Fe, and Co-based electrocatalysts in alkaline electrolyte.

Electrocatalysts	Electrode	Current density	Over potential	Tafel slope	Stability	Ref.
NH₂-CoFe MOF	NF	10 mA cm⁻²	271 mV	59.3 mV dec⁻¹	100 h	This work
		100 mA cm⁻²	310 mV			
Fe@Co-BDC NSs	GC	10 mA cm ⁻²	307 mV	34.1 mV dec ⁻¹	20000 s	[86]
CoFe LDH/MOF/CC	CC	10 mA cm ⁻²	276 mV	85 mV dec ⁻¹	60 h	[87]
Co ₄ Fe ₂ -LDHs/Co(OH) ₂ -NW	NF	10 mA cm ⁻²	276 mV	50.67 mV dec ⁻¹	60 h	[88]
Co/Fe bimetal- organic frameworks	GC	10 mA cm ⁻²	280 mV	44.7 mV dec ⁻¹	12000 s	[89]
Fe-MnO ₂ /NF	NF	20 mA cm ⁻²	330 mV	51 mV dec ⁻¹	24 h	[90]
Co _{0.1} (Hatz) _{0.1} (H ₄ bta) _{0.1} /NF	NF	50 mA cm ⁻²	294 mV	93 mV dec ⁻¹	24 h	[91]
		100 mA cm ⁻²	327 mV			



Figure S22. Photographs of natural seawater of Gimnyeong sea in Jeju island, Korea and 3 electrode cell for OER measurement in 1M KOH with sea water.