## **Supporting Information**

## Tentacles-like Core–Shell CoNi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>/C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> Bifunctional Electrocatalyst for Efficient Overall Alkaline Water Splitting

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Figures and table



Fig S1. The CV curve at a scan rate of 1 mV s<sup>-1</sup> in in hydrogen-saturated 1.0 M KOH.



Fig S2. XRD characteristic peaks of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  before and after reaction.



Fig S3. FT-IR spectrum of NiCoO@NF



Fig S4. Raman spectra of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  after OER stability test.



Fig S5. (a, b) The SEM images of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  material after cycling test.



Fig S6. TEM images of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$ .



Fig S7. The XPS full spectra of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  materials before and after reaction.



Fig S8. LSV performance curves (without IR compensation): (a) HER curves, (b)

OER curves.



Fig S9. Performance of Co@NF LSVs with different Co contents: (a) HER curves, (b)

OER curves.



Fig S10.  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  LSV performance at different thermal annealing temperatures:

(a) HER curves, (b) OER curves.



Fig S11. LSV curves of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  with different pH: (a) HER and (b) OER.



Fig S12. LSV curves of of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  with different scanning rates: (a) HER and

(b) OER.

Fig S13. (a-d) The HRTEM images and local magnification of  $CoNi_2S_4/C_3N_4$  after



**Fig S14.** CV curves with different scan rates (20, 40, 60, 40, 80,100 and 120 mV s<sup>-1</sup>) of (a) NF, (b) Co@NF, (c) NiCoO@NF, (d) CoNi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>/C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>@NF, (e) RuO<sub>2</sub>, (f) Pt/C.



Fig S15. Nyquist plots of Co@NF, NiCoO@NF and CoNi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>/C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>.



**Fig S16.** (a) HER LSV curves of different working electrodes normalized by ECSA (b) OER LSV curves of different working electrodes normalized by ECSA.



Fig S17. Theoretical and experimental amount of oxygen evolved during water oxidation.

Catalyst	m/mg cm <sup>-2</sup>	ECSA/m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup>
Co@NF	3.12	0.91
NiCoO@NF	4.17	0.52
CoNi <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> /C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	17.42	5.28

Table S1. The catalyst mass loading (m) and active area (ECSA).