

Supplementary Materials

Accelerating glucose electrolysis on Cu-doped MIL-88B for an energy efficient anodic reaction in water-splitting

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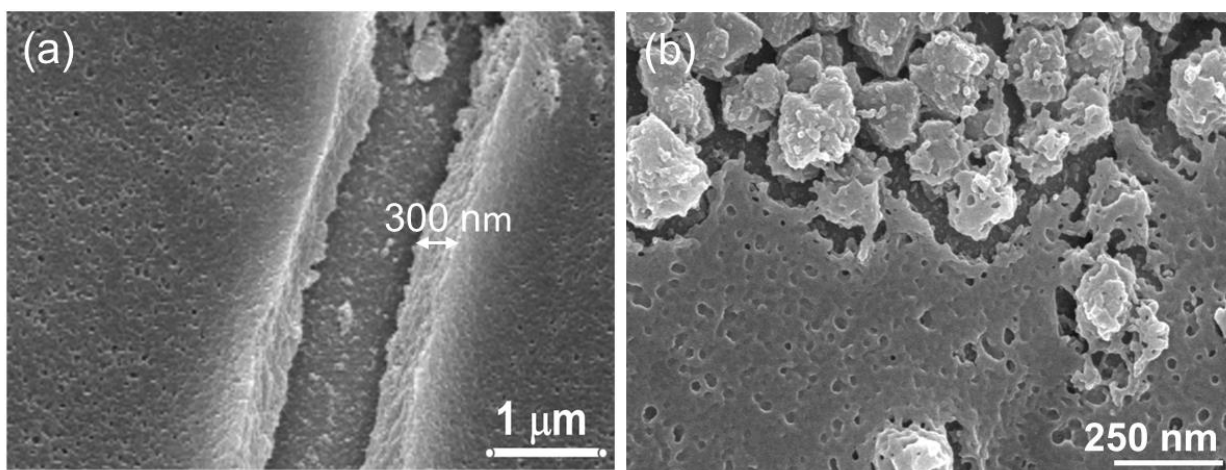


Figure S1. SEM image of the cracked surface view of the Cu-doped@MIL-88B film on a nickel foam (a) showing film thickness of ca. 300 nm, and (b) the MOF particles are deposited just underneath the thin nano-porous top layer.

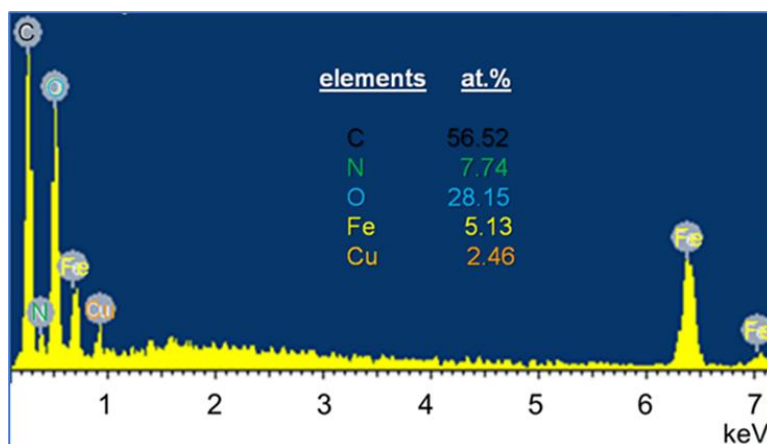


Figure S2. X-ray energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) spectrum and the atomic % of constitutional element of powder Cu-doped@MIL-88B.

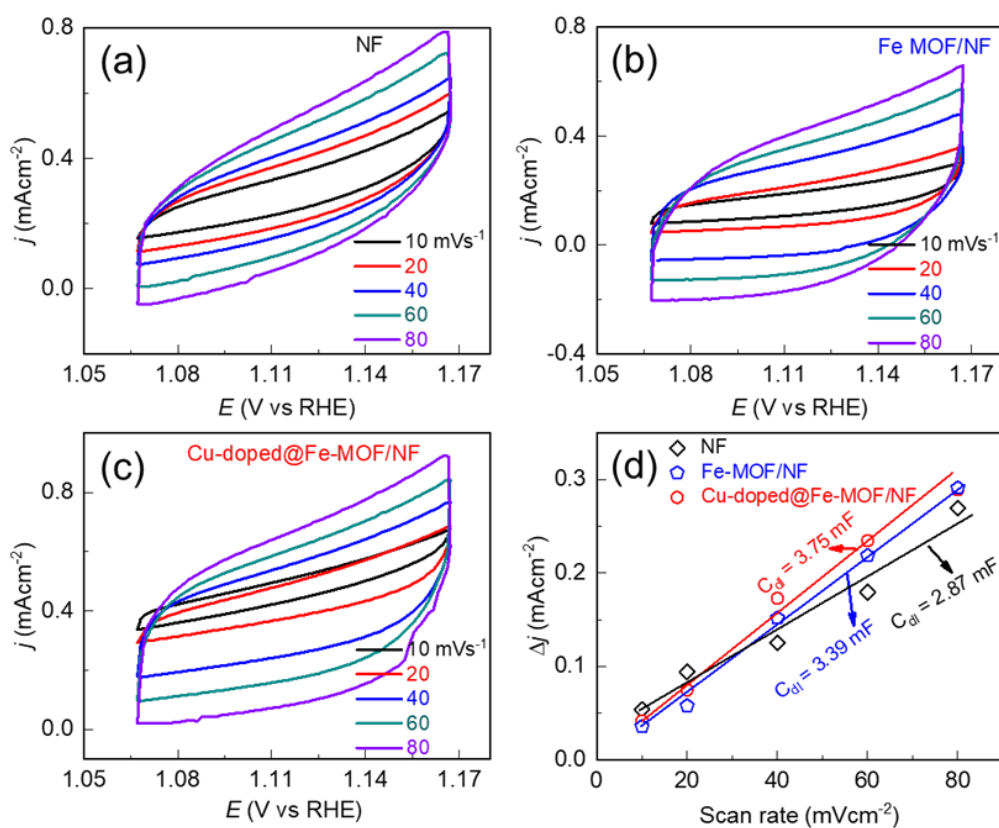


Figure S3. cyclic voltammograms of the (a) NF, (b) MIL-88B/NF and (c) Cu-doped@MIL-88B/NF, electrodes measured at various scan speeds in 0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH solution in a non-Faradic region. (d) Linear plots of average current density (Δj) as a function of scan speeds. The slopes of curves provide the double layer capacitance (C_{dl}).

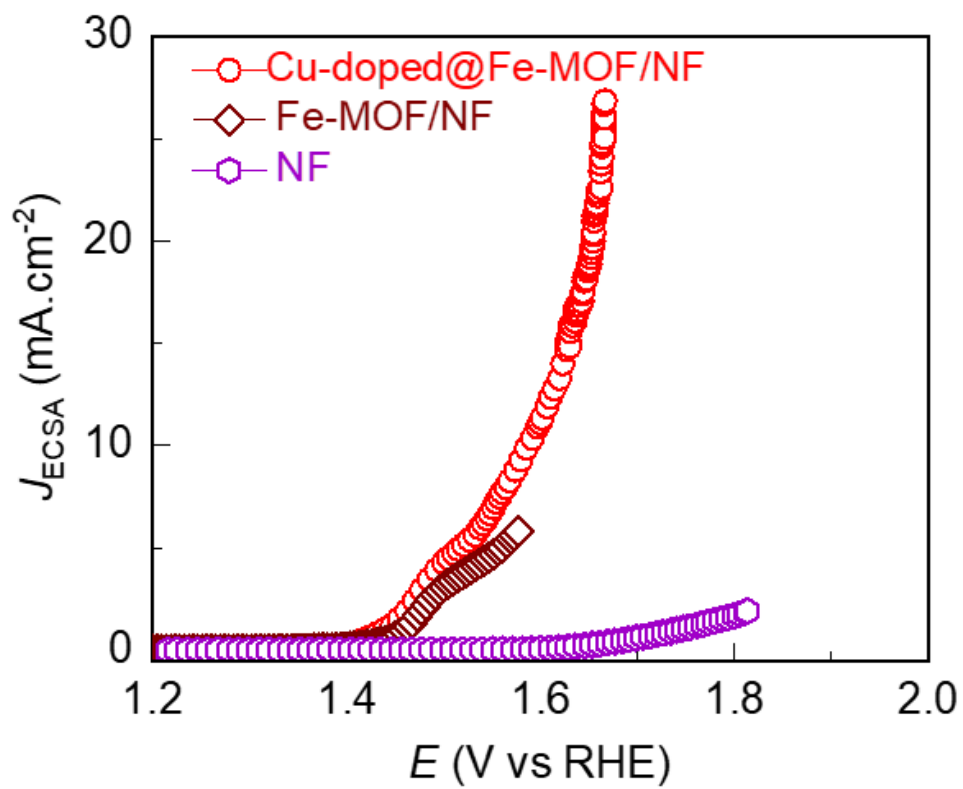


Figure S4. ECSA normalized LSV polarization curves for GOR in 0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH aqueous electrolyte solution.

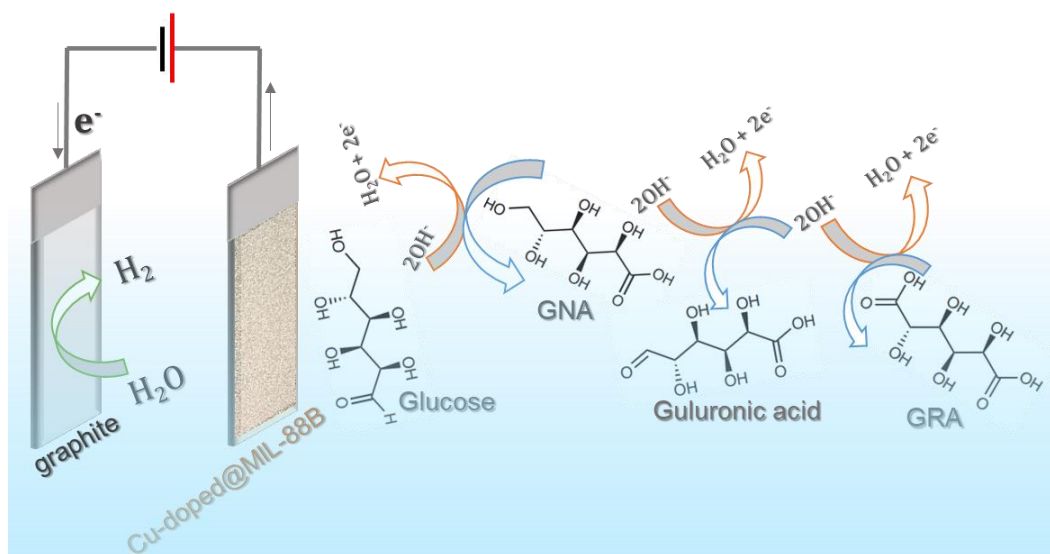


Figure S5. Schematic diagram showing the electrolysis of glucose. At the Cu-doped@MIL-88B based anode, glucose oxidation involves the 2-electron transfer in the oxidation of $-CHO$ to $-COOH$ (C1-position) followed by 4-electron transfer in the oxidation of $-CH_2OH$ to $-COOH$ (C6- position).^[*] At the cathode, reduction of water leads to the hydrogen evolution reaction.

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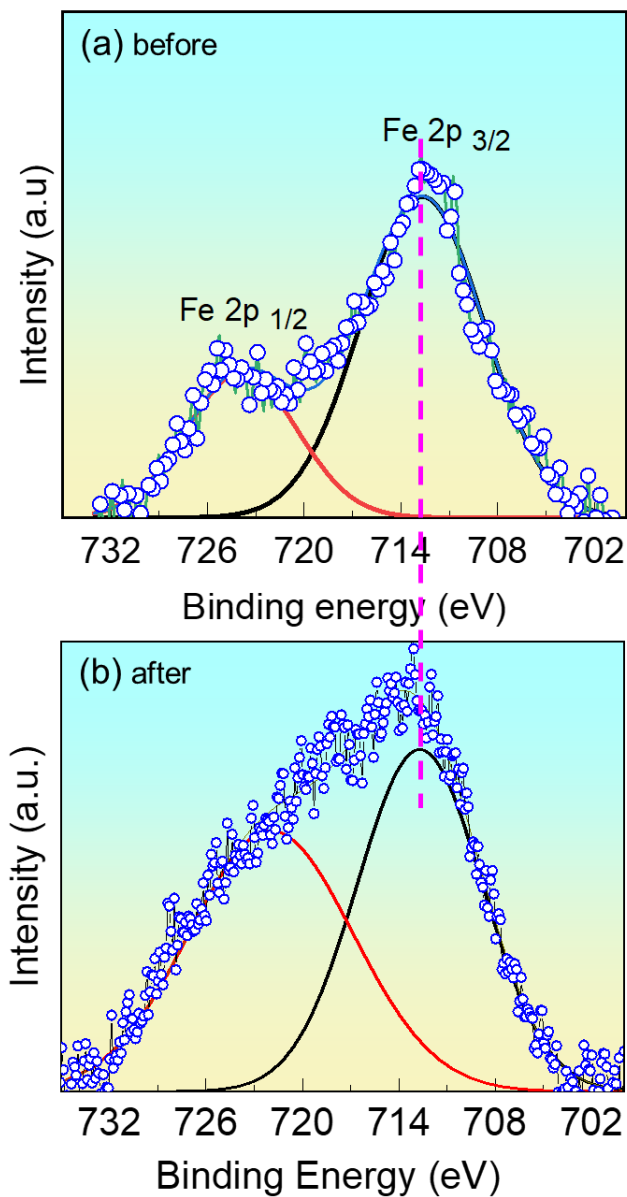


Figure S6. Fe 2p XPS spectra of the Cu-doped@MIL-88B/NF electrode (a) before and (b) after, the long-term electrochemical durability test for 50 h at 10 mAcm^{-2} in 1.0 M KOH +0.1 M glucose solution.

Table S1. Comparison on glucose oxidation activity of various electrocatalysts.

<i>Catalysts</i>	<i>Electrolyte</i>	<i>Current density (mA.cm⁻²)</i>	<i>GOR potential V vs RHE</i>	<i>Ref.</i>
Cu-doped@MIL-88B/NF	0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH	10	1.35	This work
		100	1.42	
		200	1.46	
		350	1.48	
MIL-88B/NF	0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH	10	1.39	This work
		100	1.46	
		200	1.48	
Cu(OH) ₂	0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH	100	~ 1.49*	[1]
Fe ₂ P films	0.5 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH	100	1.58	[2]
NiFeO _x -NF NiFeN _x -NF	0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH	100	~1.31*	[3]
		100	~1.36*	
Cu/CoNC	0.1 M glucose + 1.0 M KOH	100	~1.42*	[4]

*GOR potentials are estimated from the LSV polarization curves given in the corresponding works.

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