

Supporting Information

Ni clusters immobilized on oxygen-rich siloxene nanosheets for efficient electrocatalytic oxygen reduction toward H₂O₂ synthesis

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Supporting Figures

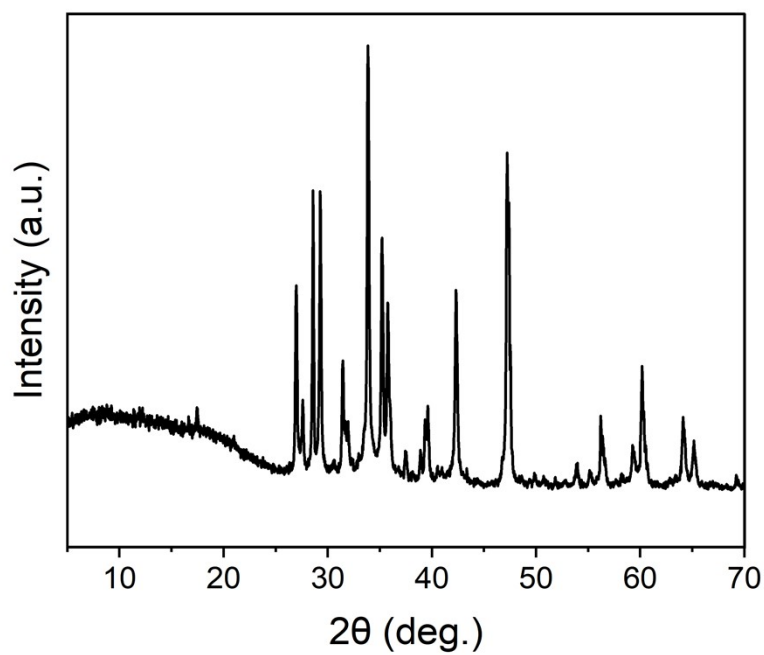


Figure S1. PXRD pattern of CaSi_2 .

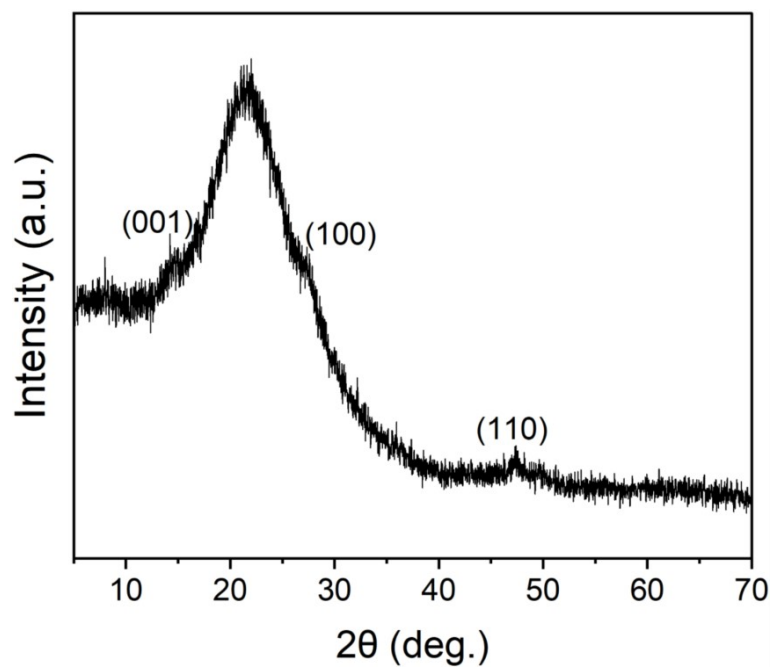


Figure S2. PXRD pattern of siloxene.

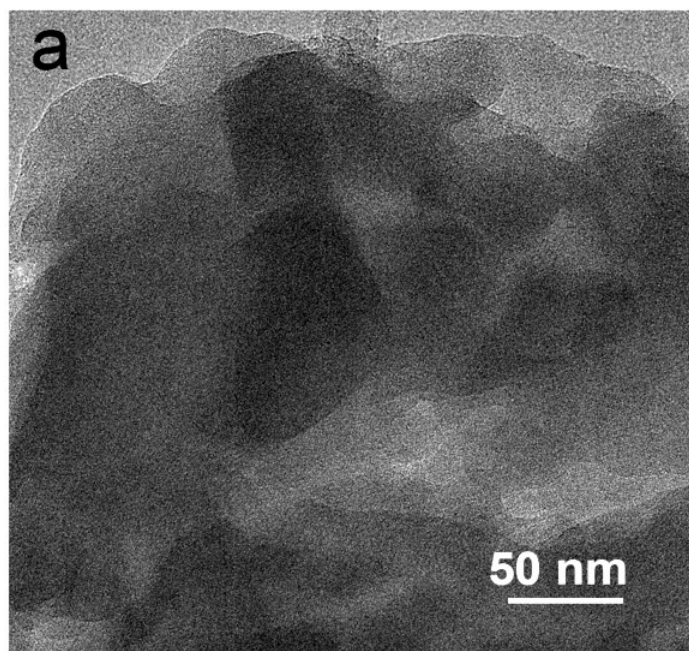


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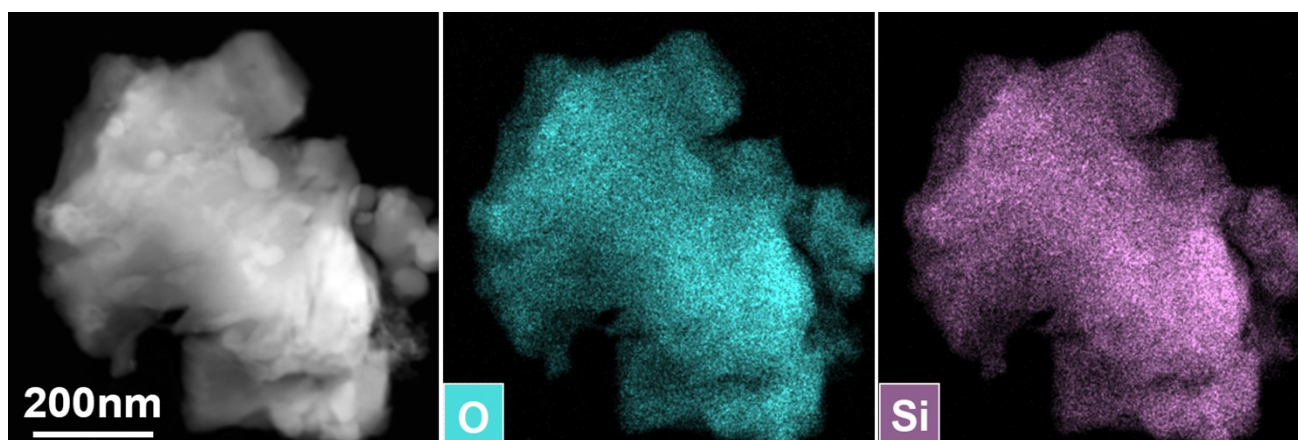


Figure S4. EDS elemental mappings of siloxene.

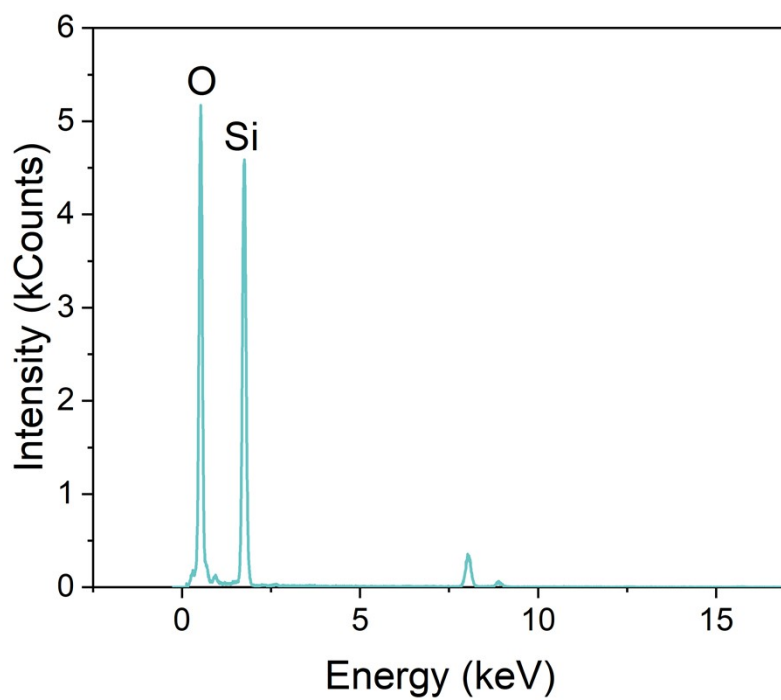


Figure S5. EDS spectrum of Ni/siloxene.

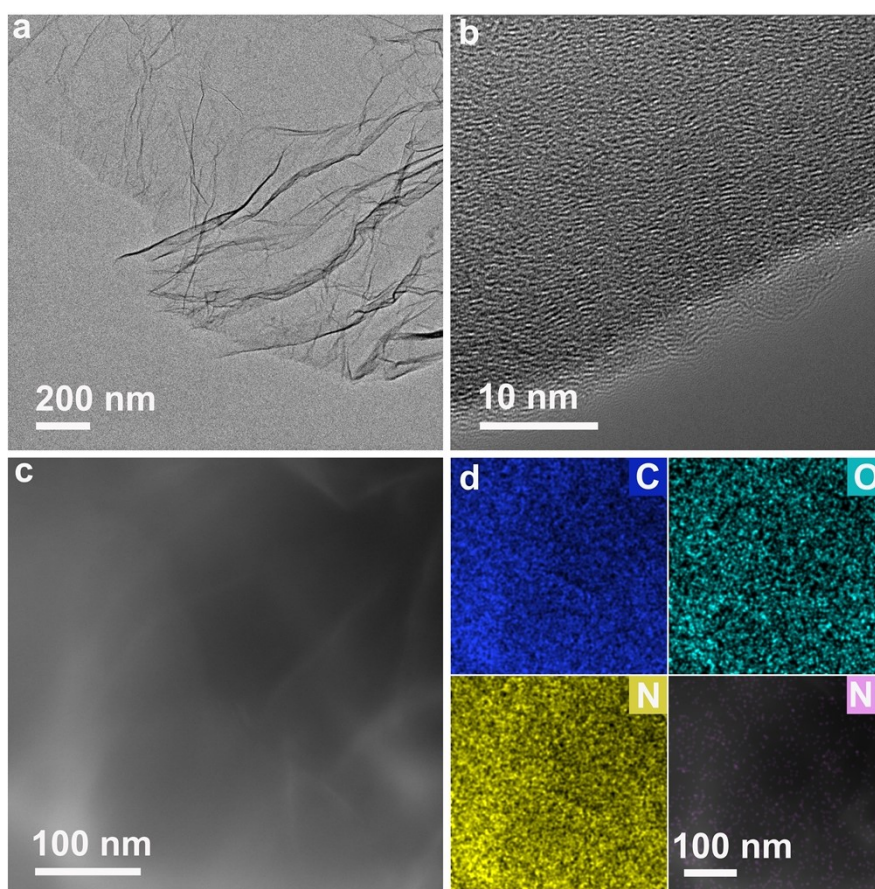


Figure S6. TEM images and EDS elemental mappings of Ni_{SA}/rGO. (a, b) TEM images at different magnifications. (c) HAADF image and (d) mappings of C, O, N and Ni elements.

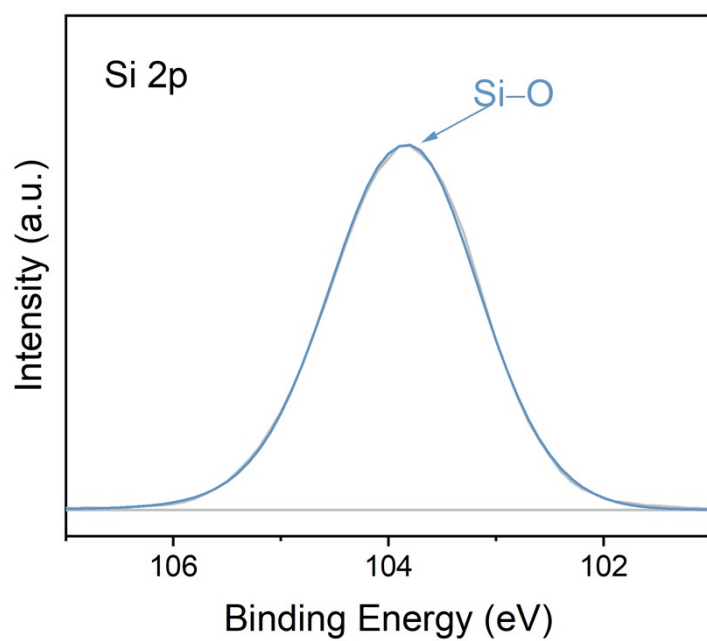


Figure S7. High-resolution Si 2p XPS spectrum of Ni/siloxene.

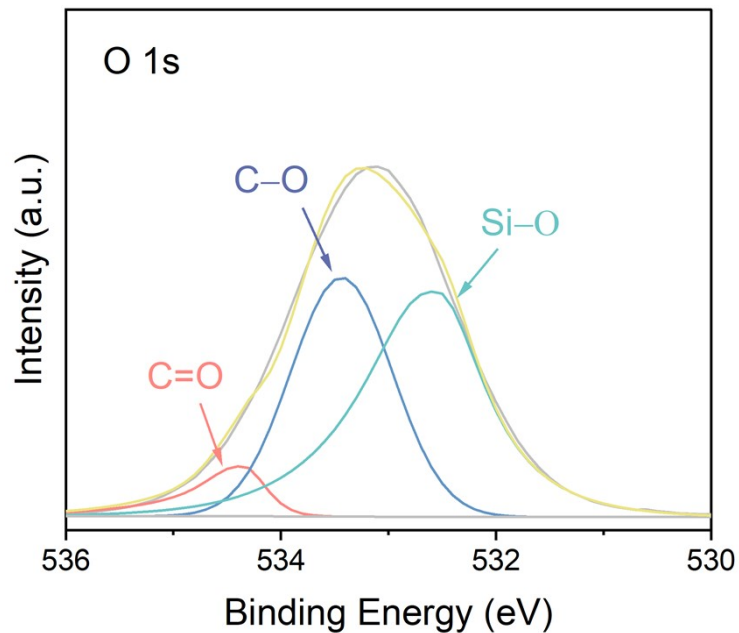


Figure S8. High-resolution O 1s XPS spectrum of Ni/siloxene.

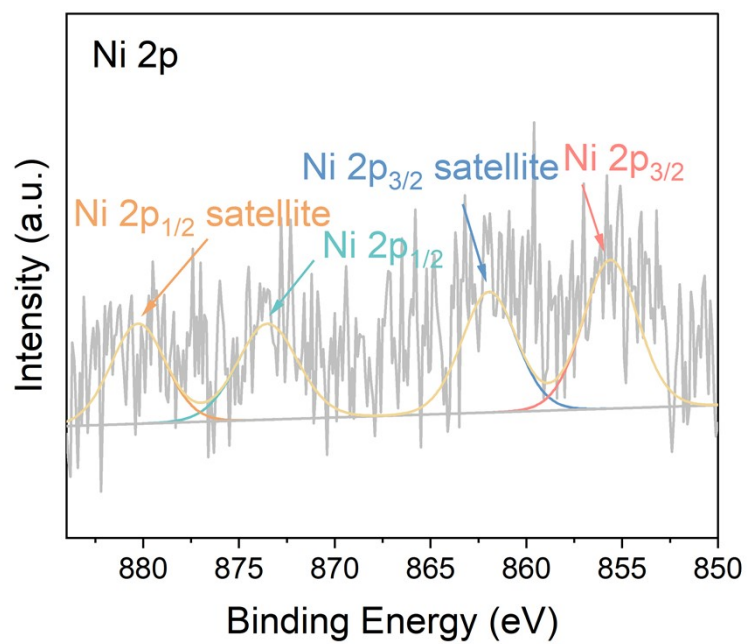


Figure S9. High-resolution Ni 2p XPS spectrum of Ni/siloxene.

Supporting Tables

Table S1. EXAFS fitting parameters at the Ni *K*-edge for Ni/siloxene ($S_0^2 = 0.72$) and Ni_{SA}/rGO ($S_0^2 = 0.80$).

Sample	Path	CN	R (Å)	σ^2 (Å ²)	ΔE_0 (eV)	R factor
Ni/siloxene	Ni–Ni	4.5	2.493±0.019	0.002±0.001	7.016±3.028	0.013
Ni _{SA} /rGO	Ni–N	2.0±0.29	1.855±0.015	0.007±0.002	4.824±1.917	0.014
	Ni–Ni	1.0	2.505±0.023	0.010±0.003	4.824±1.917	0.014

CN: coordination numbers; R: bond distance; σ^2 : Debye-Waller factors; ΔE_0 : the inner potential correction; R factor: goodness of fit

Table S2. Comparison of alkaline 2e⁻ ORR electrocatalysis for H₂O₂ synthesis of Ni/siloxene with other electrocatalysts reported.

Sample	H ₂ O ₂ Selectivity	<i>E</i> _{onset} (V)	<i>i</i> _{ring} (mA)@0.2 V	<i>j</i> _{disk} (mA cm ⁻²)@0.2 V	Reference
Ni/siloxene	100%@0.3-0.65 V	0.75	0.12	-1.47	This work
Ni-N-C	52%	0.72	0.07	-2.00	<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2019 ¹
N-CBMC-500	92%-95.9%@0-0.6 V	0.80	0.30	-2.00	<i>J. Mater. Chem. A</i> , 2022 ²
CMK-3	80%-55%@0.1-0.4 V	0.40	0.02	-0.50	<i>ACS Catal.</i> , 2018 ³
Ni ₄ -B ₁ @BNC	86%-90%@0.1-0.6 V	0.65	0.16	-2.50	<i>Small</i> , 2022 ⁴
O-BC-2-650	82%-94%@0-0.6 V	0.78	—	-3.00	<i>Sci. China Mater.</i> , 2022 ⁵
Co-N ₅ SACs	80%-85%@0.3-0.75 V	0.82	0.35	-2.90	<i>Appl. Catal. B: Environ.</i> , 2023 ⁶
OXO-G/NH ₃ ·H ₂ O	82%-78%@0.1-0.7 V	0.80	0.20	-3.10	<i>ACS Catal.</i> , 2019 ⁷
APES-Au/PC	95%-100%@0.1-0.5 V	0.80	0.20	-2.42	<i>Chem. Eng. J.</i> , 2022 ⁸
CoNOC	70%-100%@0.05-0.6 V	0.60	0.40	-3.10	<i>Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.</i> , 2023 ⁹
Co-N ₂ -C/LO	80%-90%@0-0.75 V	0.80	0.39	-2.70	<i>Adv. Funct. Mater.</i> , 2022 ¹⁰
HCNFs	88%-97%@0.2-0.7 V	0.85	0.22	-3.20	<i>Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.</i> , 2021 ¹¹
Nb ₂ CT _x	86%-90%@0.2-0.6 V	0.75	0.36	-2.18	<i>Nano Res.</i> , 2022 ¹²
Mo-F-C	78%-80%@0.2-0.7V	0.78	0.12	-2.80	<i>J. Energy Chem.</i> , 2023 ¹³
Co-F-CNT	72%-90%@0.1-0.8 V	0.75	0.15	-3.80	<i>EcoMat.</i> , 2023 ¹⁴

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