

## Supporting Information

### **NH<sub>3</sub> Plasma Etching Derived Porous N-Doped Carbon Nanotubes with FeP Nanoparticles and Intrinsic Carbon Defects for Boosting Oxygen Reduction in Rechargeable Zn-air Batteries**

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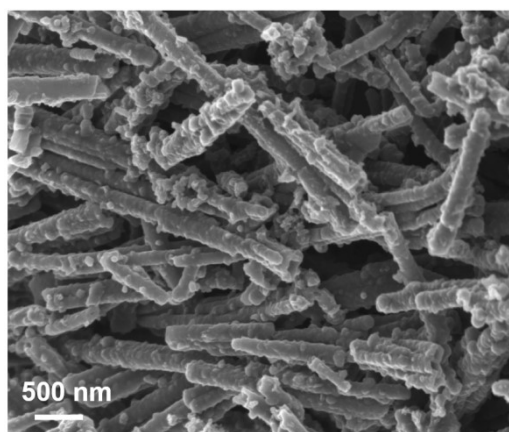


Fig. S1 SEM image of NS-CNTs

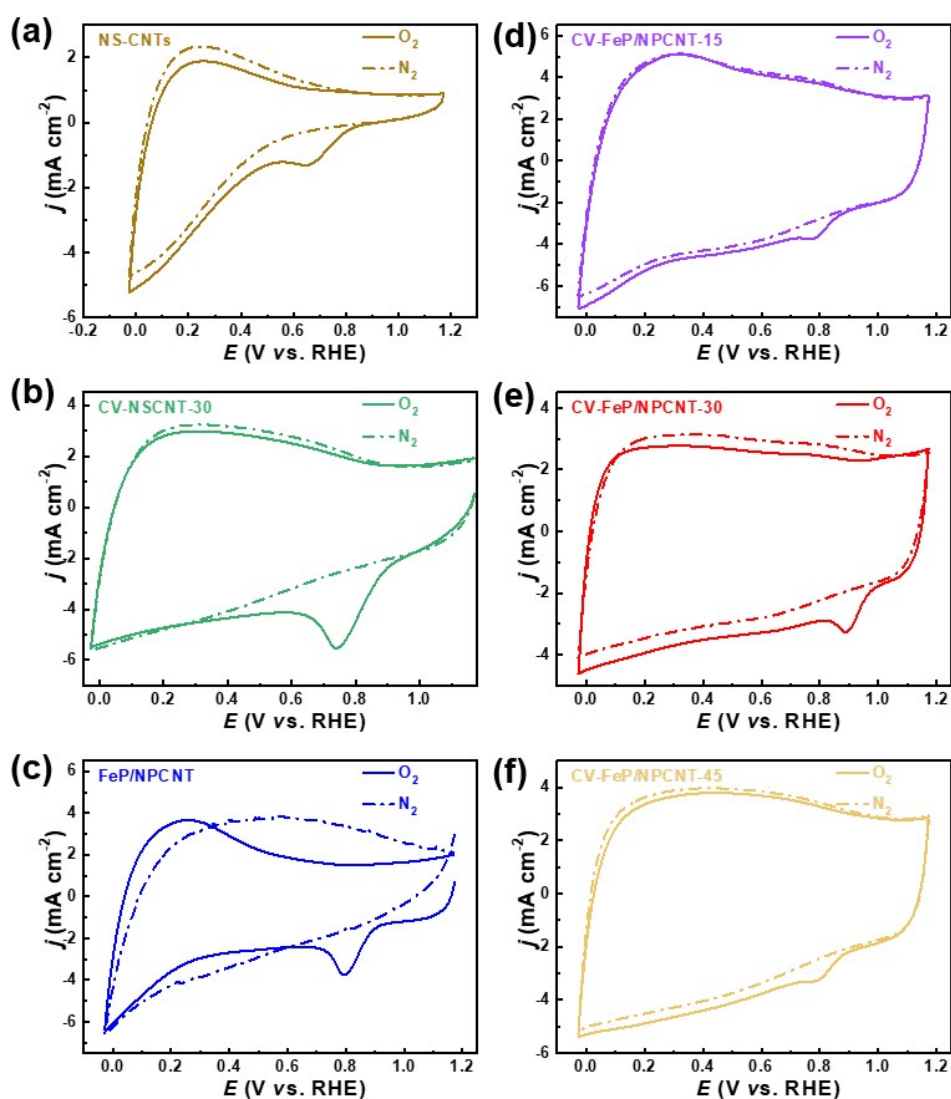


Fig. S2 CV curves of NS-CNTs (a), CV-NSCNT-30 (b), FeP/NPCNT (c), CV-FeP/NPCNT-15 (d), CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 (e) and CV-FeP/NPCNT-45 (f) in the  $N_2$  or  $O_2$  saturated  $0.1 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$  KOH electrolyte

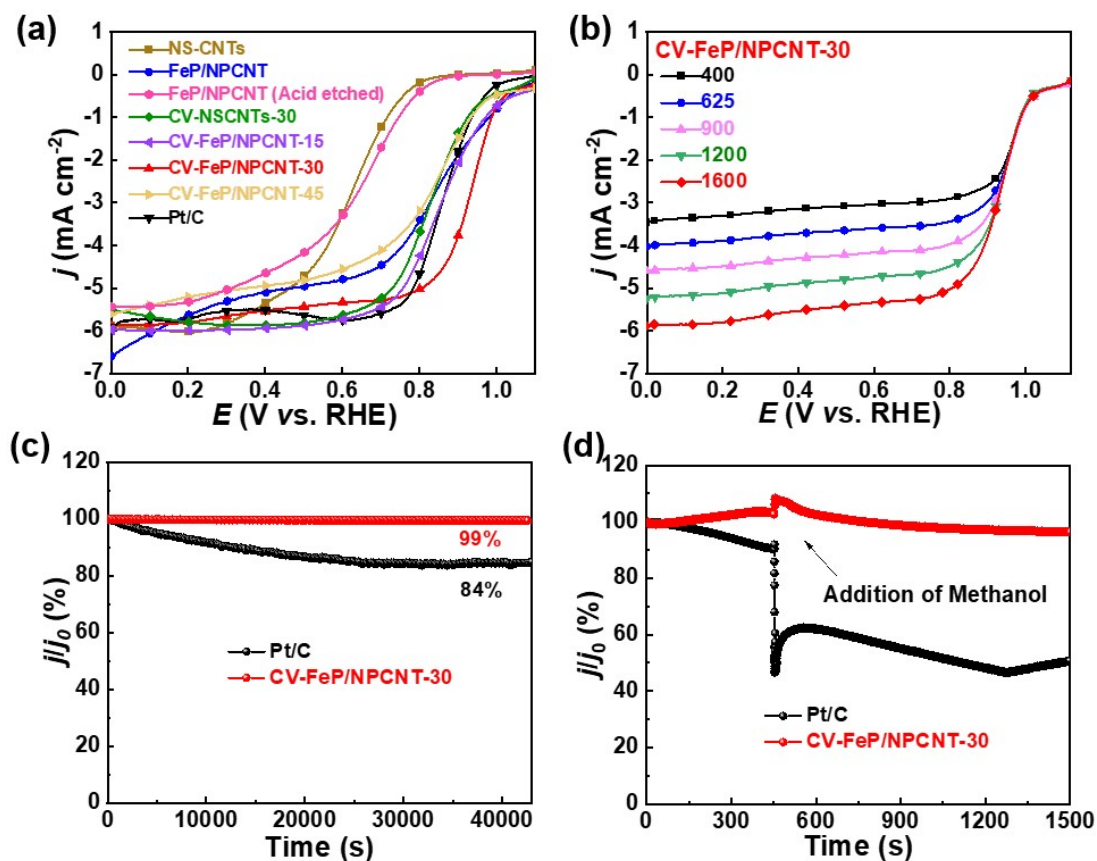


Fig. S3 LSV curves of different CNTs based electrodes (a), LSV curve of CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 (b) at various rotation rates. i-t chronoamperometric responses of CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 and Pt/C in O<sub>2</sub> saturated 0.1 mol L<sup>-1</sup> KOH electrolyte (c), and with addition of methanol (d).

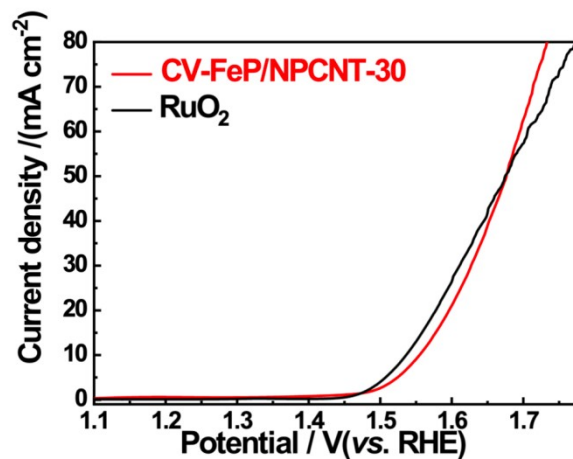


Fig. S4 LSV curve for OER driven by CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 and RuO<sub>2</sub>.

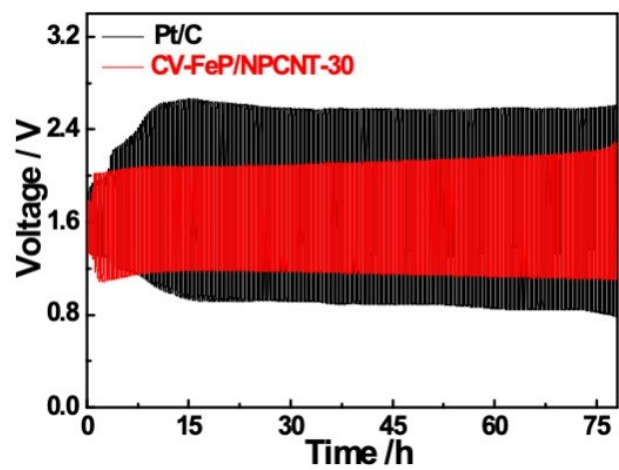


Fig. S5 Galvanostatic discharge-charge cycling performance of Pt/C and CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 based liquid ZABs.

## Tables

**Table S1** The elemental composition of NS-CNTs, FeP/NPCNT and CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 determined by XPS survey results

	C (at%)	N (at%)	O (at%)	Fe (at%)	P (at%)
NS-CNTs	86.83	2.80	10.37	0	0
FeP/NPCNT	74.84	4.63	15.31	0.68	4.54
CV-FeP/NPCNT-30	80.24	4.52	11.97	0.45	2.82

**Table S2** The contents of different N bonding structures of NS-CNTs, FeP/NPCNT and CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 derived from high-resolution N 1s XPS spectra

	pyridine-N (%)	pyrrolic-N (%)	graphitic-N (%)	oxidized-N (%)	Fe-N (%)
NS-CNTs	23.3	27.0	23.7	26.0	0
FeP/NPCNT	12.1	42.2	19.9	15.4	10.4
CV-FeP/NPCNT-30	18.4	32.2	15.1	11.1	23.2

**Table S3** Electrochemical performances of CV-FeP/NPCNT-30 and some relevant catalysts for ORR tests in O<sub>2</sub>-saturated 0.1 mol L<sup>-1</sup> KOH electrolyte, and their based home-made liquid ZABs

Samples	$E_{\text{onset}}$ /(V vs. RHE)	$E_{1/2}$ /(V vs. RHE)	$j_L$ /(mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )	$n$	$V_{\text{oc}}$ /(V vs. RHE)	Power density/(mW cm <sup>-2</sup> )	Specific capacity/(mAh g <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref.
PFeC-900	1.01	0.88	8.38	3.97	/	/	/	(1)
FeCo/Co <sub>2</sub> P@NPCF	0.85	0.79	4.89	3.85	1.44	154	/	(2)
2D-FeP@FeNC-900	/	0.84	5.5	3.60	/	260	803.7	(3)
FP <sub>0.6</sub> @CNP1000	0.93	0.85	5.41	3.91	1.455	80	/	(4)
ZIF-8/Fe <sub>2</sub> P@CNT	0.92	0.81	/	3.99	/	/	/	(5)
FeP-NWCC	/	0.86	5.8	3.77-	1.50	144	805.6	(6)
FePNS-G-2	/	/	/	~4	1.493	168	782.4	(7)
Fe-N-C NPC/CNT	/	0.88	6.5	4.0	1.47	201	/	(8)
Fe <sub>3</sub> C/Fe <sub>2</sub> P@NC-N <sub>4</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub>	1.03	0.89	/	3.9	/	/	/	(9)
FeP/NPC	0.92	0.82	/	3.99	/	/	/	(10)
Fe-P/Cu <sub>3</sub> P-NPC	/	0.84	/	3.88	1.39	158.5	815.3	(11)
NPC-10	1.11	0.89	5.4	3.9	1.47	136.5	659.5	(12)
FeP/NPCNT	1.15	0.868	6.59	3.92	1.48	187	819.2	This work
CV-FeP/NPCNT-30	1.14	0.920	5.89	3.99	1.528	221	851.5	This work

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