Supporting information

Transition Metal-Doped Cobalt Phosphide for Efficient Hydrazine Oxidation: A

Density Functional Theory Study

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Figure. S1 Charge density difference (an isosurface of 0.003 e Å⁻³) before and after Au, Ni, Mo, Fe, Pd and Pt doping in (a1), (b1), (c1), (d1), (e1) and (f1), respectively. (a2), (b2), (c2), (d2), (e2) and (f2) PDOS for orbitals for the adjacent atoms (as indicated in panels (a1), (b1), (c1), (d1), (e1) and (f1)).



Figure. S2 Electronic charge transfer values of each doped substrate as a function of position.



Figure. S3 Linear correlation of N₂H₄ between adsorption free energy and function, d-ban center and Bader charge.





Figure. S4 Linear correlation (N₂H₃, N₂H₂-1, N₂H₂-2, N₂H, N₂) between adsorption free energy and function, dband center and Bader charge.



Figure. S5 The optimized structures for N_2H_4 , N_2H_3 , N_2H_2 -1, N_2H_2 -2, N_2 and N_2 adsorbed on CoP-Co1 and CoP-Co2, respectively.







Fe, Mn, Mo, Ni, Pd, Pt), respectively.



Figure. S7 Gibbs free energy diagram of HzOR on CoP-Cr (a) and CoP-Mn (b) at U = 0.32 V.



Figure. S8 Gibbs free energy diagram of HzOR on CoP-Co2 (a) and CoP-Co1 (b). (I) at U = 0 V and (II) at U =

0.32 V.





Figure. S9 Gibbs free energy diagram of HzOR on doped CoP (Au, Mo, Fe, Ni, Pd, Pt). (I) at U = 0 V and (II) at

U = 0.32 V.



 $\label{eq:Figure.s10} {\mbox{Figure. S10}} \quad \mbox{After N_2H_4 adsorbed, PDOS on CoP-Co1.}$



Figure. S11 Charge density difference plots of all intermediates adsorbed on CoP-Co1.



Figure. S12 Electronic charge transfer values of CoP with adsorbed intermediate molecules as a function of

position.



Figure. S13 Charge density difference plots of all intermediates adsorbed on CoP-Cr.



Figure. S14 Electronic charge transfer values of CoP-Cr with adsorbed intermediate molecules as a function of

position.



Figure. S15 Charge density difference plots of all intermediates adsorbed on CoP-Mn.



Figure. S16 Electronic charge transfer values of CoP-Mn with adsorbed intermediate molecules as a function of

position.



Figure. S17 The bond length values (Å) of CoP-Co1 and CoP-Mn before (a, b, e, f) and after (c, d, g, h)

adsorbing intermediate molecules N_2H_4 and N_2H_2 -1.



Figure. S18 –PCOHP of N₂ adsorbed on CoP-Cr (a) and CoP-Mn (b)



Figure. S19 -PCOHP of N₂H₄ (a) and N₂ (b) adsorbed on CoP, respectively.



Figure. S20 Statistical comparison charts of N-H bond lengths in free intermediates and after adsorption on CoP,

CoP-Cr, and CoP-Mn.



Figure. S21 The variations of temperature and energy versus the AIMD simulation time for 10 ps of CoP-Cr (a) and CoP-Mn (b) under 300K.



Figure. S22 The scaling relationship of the adsorption free energies for CoP-M in Path2.



Figure. S23 Gibbs free energy diagram of HzOR on Co1 (a) and Co2 (b) of CoP-Cr at U = 0 V.

Catalyst	Formation Energy	Cohesive Energy
CoP-Ag	0.12	-22.15
CoP-Au	-0.22	-22.48
CoP-Cr	-0.80	-23.06
CoP-Fe	-0.98	-23.24
CoP-Mn	-1.07	-23.33
CoP-Mo	-0.71	-22.97
CoP-Ni	-1.30	-23.56
CoP-Pd	-1.10	-23.37
CoP-Pt	-1.06	-23.32
CoP-W	0.13	-22.14

Table S1. The cohesive energies and formation energies of ten M-CoP structures, in units of eV.

Table S2. The molecules' adsorption energy of CoP/M-CoP structures, in units of eV.

Catalyst	$\Delta G_{ad-N2H4}$	$\Delta G_{ad\text{-N2H3}}$	$\Delta G_{ad-N2H2-1}$	$\Delta G_{ad\text{-N2H2-2}}$	$\Delta G_{ad\text{-N2H}}$	$\Delta G_{ad\text{-}N2}$
CoP-Co1	-1.29	-1.52	-2.57	-2.83	-1.51	-0.77
CoP-Au	-0.95	-0.94	-1.81	-1.95	-0.52	-0.39
CoP-Cr	-1.19	-1.95	-3.28	-2.71	-2.07	-0.53
CoP-Fe	-1.32	-1.90	-3.45	-2.74	-1.94	-0.92
CoP-Mn	-1.33	-2.02	-3.31	-2.65	-2.13	-0.85
CoP-Mo	-1.33	-2.18	-3.52	-2.97	-2.05	-0.83
CoP-Ni	-1.14	-1.23	-2.23	-2.29	-0.79	-0.41
CoP-Pd	-1.02	-0.98	-1.95	-2.06	-0.66	-0.23
CoP-Pt	-1.13	-1.20	-2.23	-2.23	-0.86	-0.21

Catalyst		ΔG1	$\Delta G2$	$\Delta G3$	$\Delta G4$
CoP-Co2	Path1	-0.87	0.56	-0.20	-0.76
	Path2	-0.87	-0.22	0.58	-0.76
CoP-Co1	Path1	-0.62	0.26	-0.24	-0.67
	Path2	-0.62	-0.09	0.11	-0.67
CoP-Au	Path1	-0.03	0.44	-0.01	-1.67
	Path2	-0.03	0.21	0.22	-1.67
CoP-Cr	Path1	-1.05	-0.02	-0.09	-0.11
	Path2	-1.05	0.46	-0.58	-0.11
CoP-Fe	Path1	-1.00	-0.23	0.20	-0.25
	Path2	-1.00	0.38	-0.41	-0.25
CoP-Mn	Path1	-1.12	0.02	-0.13	-0.05
	Path2	-1.12	0.59	-0.69	-0.05
CoP-Mo	Path1	-1.28	-0.03	0.17	-0.13
	Path2	-1.28	0.43	-0.29	-0.13
CoP-Ni	Path1	-0.33	0.32	0.13	-1.39
	Path2	-0.33	0.17	0.28	-1.39
CoP-Pd	Path1	-0.08	0.35	-0.02	-1.52
	Path2	-0.08	0.14	0.19	-1.52
CoP-Pt	Path1	-0.30	0.28	0.06	-1.32
	Path2	-0.30	0.20	0.15	-1.32

Table S3. The Gibbs free energy of CoP/M-CoP structures, in units of eV.