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Hierarchical Nanostructured NiCo2O4 as an Efficient Bifunctional

Non-Precious Catalyst for Rechargeable Zinc-air Battery

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Fig. S1 (a) Rietveld refined XRD pattern of NCO-N₃, NCO-A₂. The continuous line is fitted data and symbols are experimental data. The differences patterns and Miller indices (h k l) are shown, (b) SEM image of NCO-N₃, (c) SEM image of NCO-A₂, (d, e) Oxygen reduction polarization curves for NCO-N₃, NCO-A₂ at different rotation rates with a scan rate of 5 mV/s. Inset shows the Koutecky–Levich plot at different potentials.



Fig. S2 (a) Low and (b) high magnification SEM images of NCO-A₁ catalyst. The SEM image (b) clearly shows the porous tubular morphology of NCO-A₁ sample.