

Supplementary Material

High-entropy nitrides from dual entropic and enthalpic forces for high-efficiency oxygen evolution reaction

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Supplementary Figures and Tables

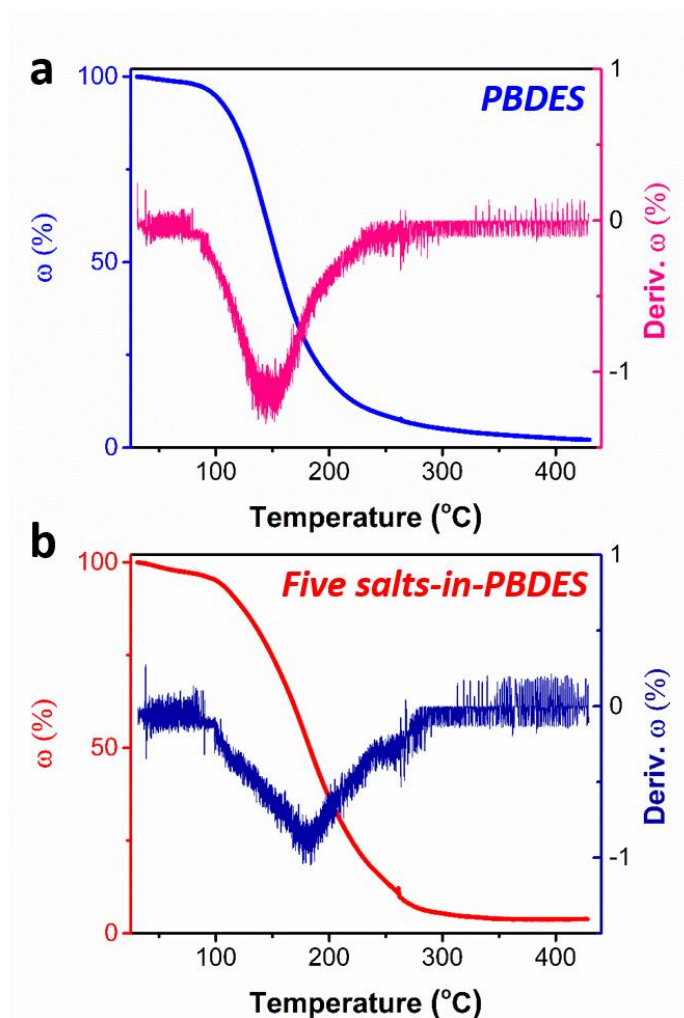


Figure S1 TGA and DTG curves of PBDES with (b) or without (a) metal salts from 30 to 430 °C at a heating rate of 3 °C min⁻¹.

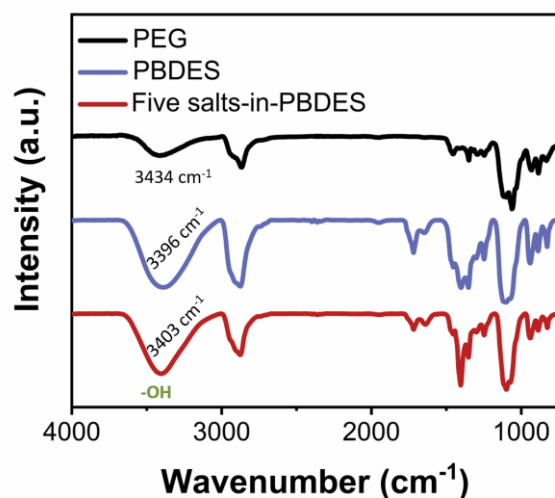


Figure S2 FT-IR spectrum of PEG (black), PBDES (blue) and salts-in-PBDESs (red) ranging from 4000 to 750 cm⁻¹.

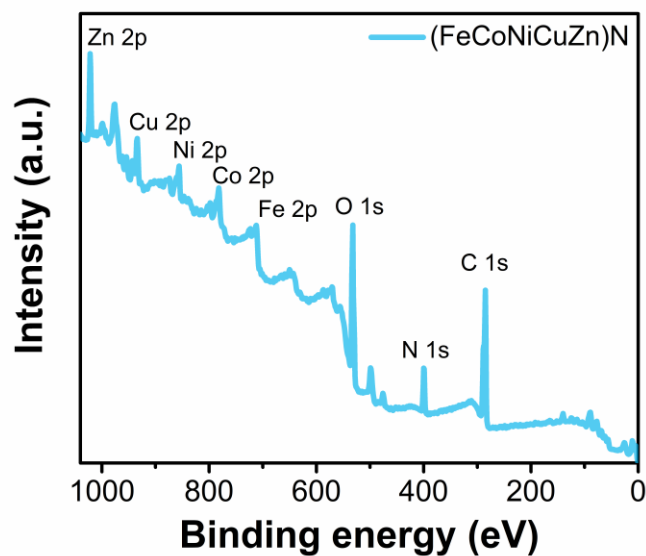


Figure S3 XPS survey spectra of (FeCoNiCuZn)N.

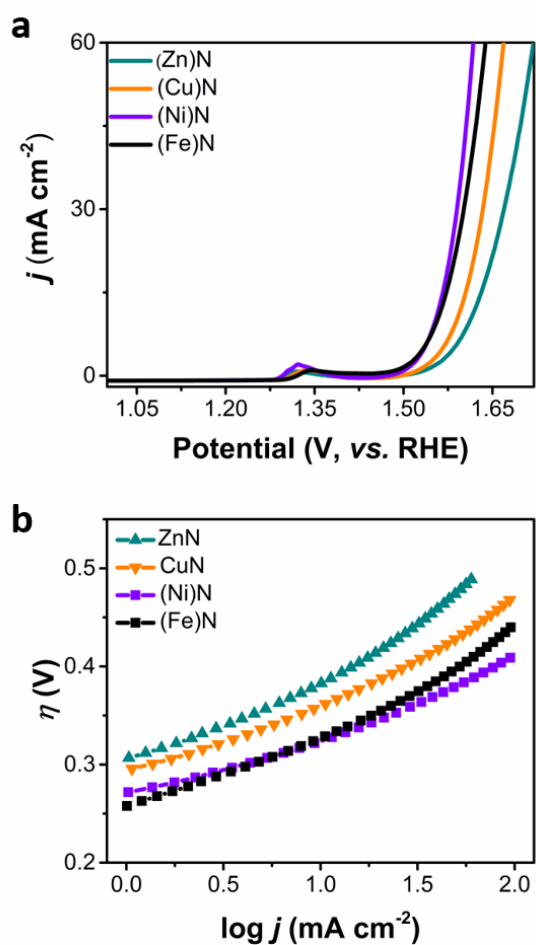


Figure S4 Electrochemical performance of the obtained samples. (a) LSV curves and (b) the related Tafel plots (Inset of a) of (Fe)N, (Ni)N, (Cu)N and (Zn)N.

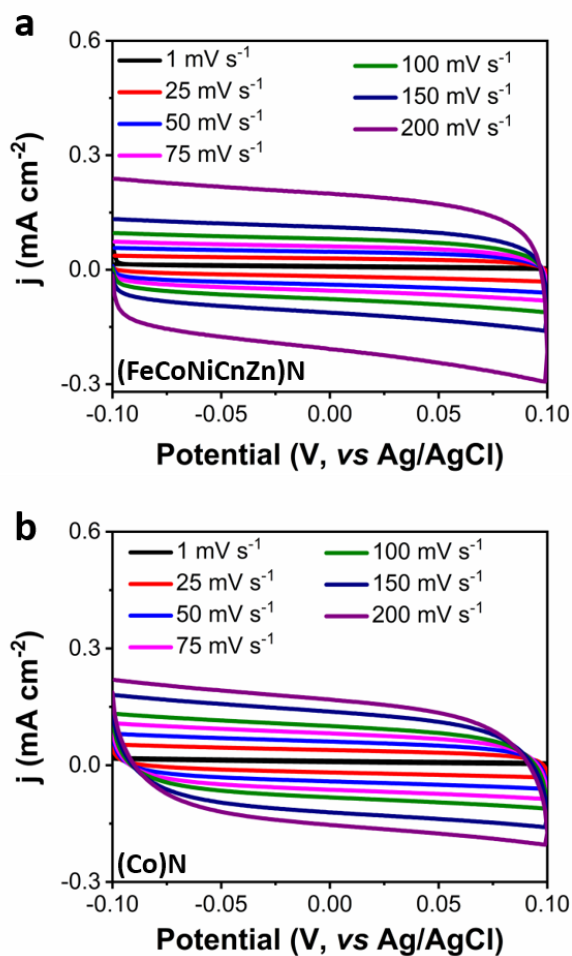


Figure S5 Cyclic voltammograms taken over a range of scan rates from 1 to 200 mV s⁻¹ for (FeCoNiCuZn)N (a) and (Co)N (b).

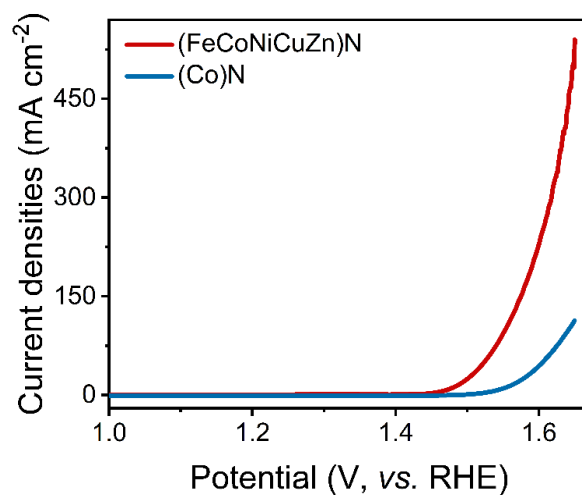


Figure S6 ECSA-normalized LSV curves of the obtained samples-modified GC electrodes.

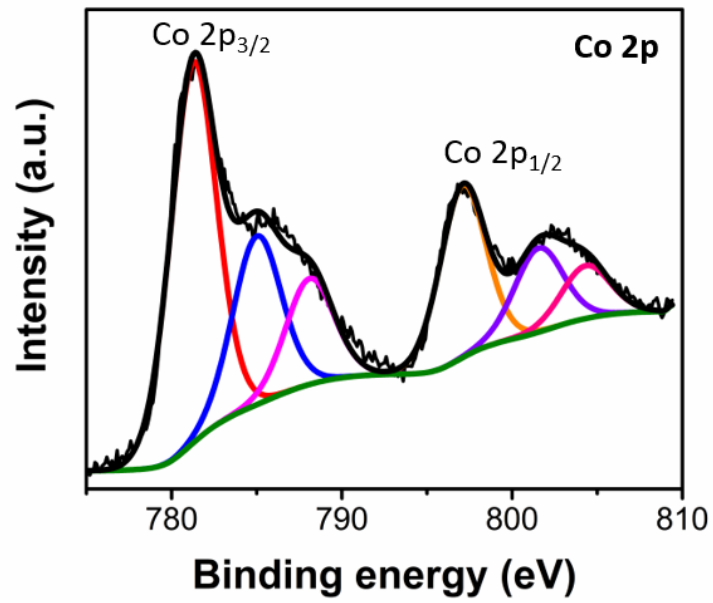


Figure S7 The Co 2p spectra of (Co)N.

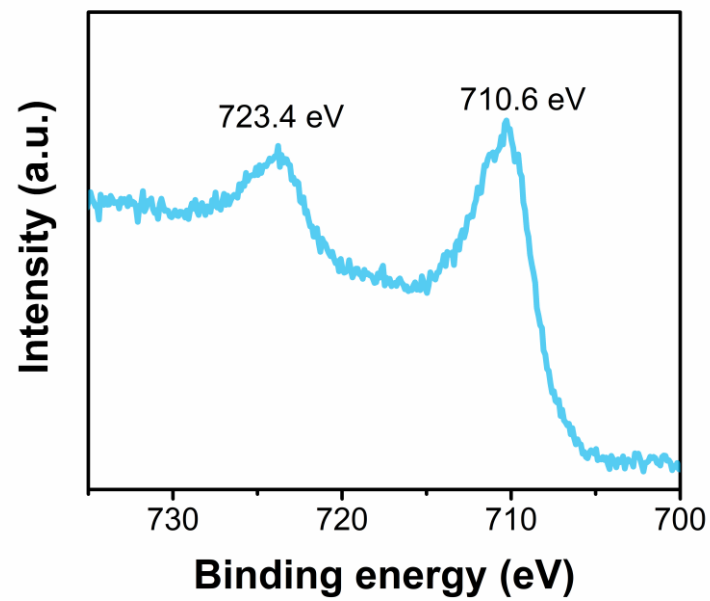


Figure S8 The Fe 2p spectra of (Fe)N.

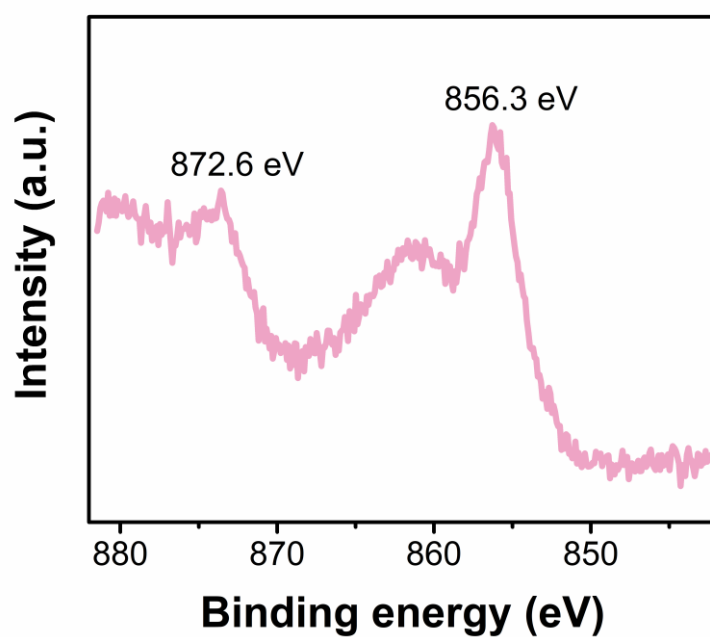


Figure S9 The Ni 2p spectra of (Ni)N.

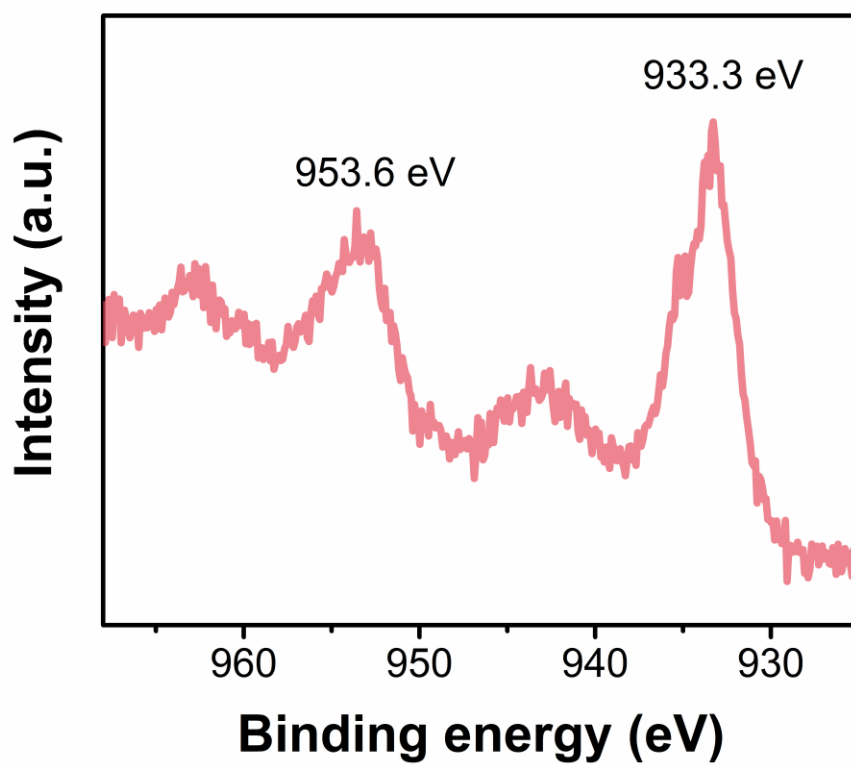


Figure S10 The Cu 2p spectra of (Cu)N.

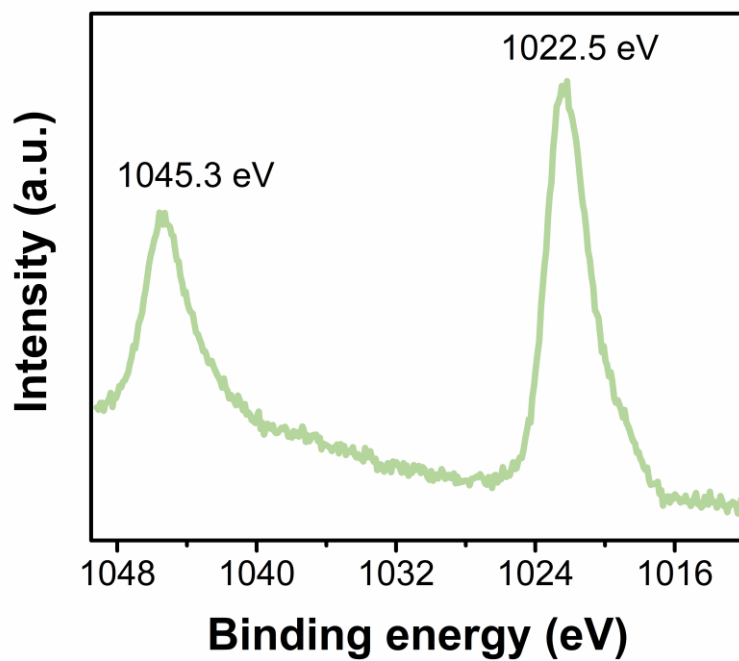


Figure S11 The Zn 2p spectra of (Zn)N.

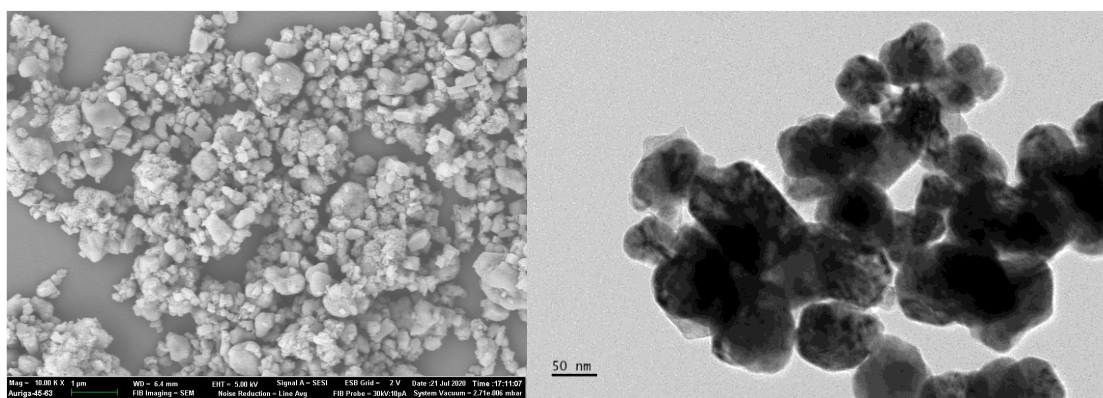


Figure S12 SEM and TEM images of (FeCoNiCuZn)N after long-term stability.

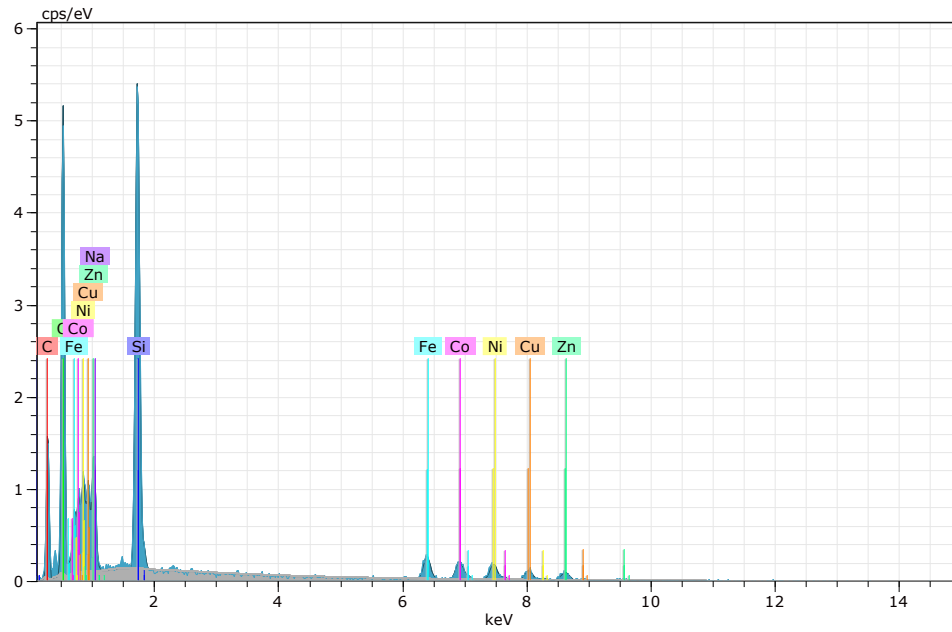


Figure S13 EDS analysis of (FeCoNiCuZn)N after long-term stability.

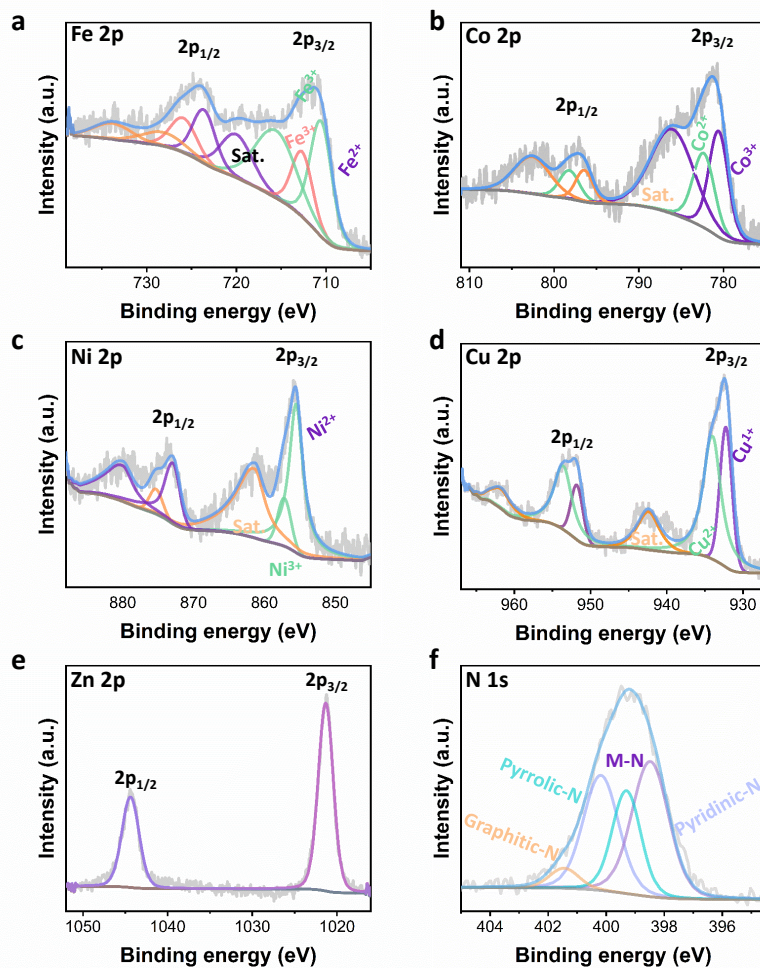


Figure S14 XPS spectra of (FeCoNiCuZn)N after electrolysis: Fe (a), Co (b), Ni (c), Cu (d), Zn (e), and N (f).

Table S1. ICP analysis of (FeCoNiCuZn)N.

Samples	Contents (ppm)				
	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn
(FeCoNiCuZn)N	38.87	40.05	36.98	50.01	37.99

Table S2. Comparison of electrochemical OER parameters of various catalysts.

Samples	Overpotential @ 10 mA cm ⁻²	Tafel slope (mV dec ⁻¹)	Reference
(FeCoNiCuZn)N	223	57	Our work
(Co)N	340	68	Our work
Co/Co ₄ N@NC	262	130	<i>J. Mater. Chem. A</i> , 2024 ^[1]
Fe ₂ P/Ni ₃ N	180	45.5	<i>Small</i> , 2023 ^[2]
(CrMnFeCoNi)S _x	295@100	66	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> , 2020 ^[3]
NiMoN/NiFe LDH	236@500	42.2	<i>Nat. Commun.</i> , 2023 ^[4]
FeNiCoCrMn-G	229	40	<i>Adv. Sci.</i> , 2021 ^[5]
NiFe _{0.05} -N-Cl _{0.5} (NO ₃) _{0.5} -CP	298@100	50	<i>New J. Chem.</i> 2024 ^[6]
(Fe _{0.2} Co _{0.2} Ni _{0.2} Cu _{0.2} Zn _{0.2})Al ₂ O ₄	430	-	<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2023 ^[7]
Fe _{0.3} Ni ₁ Co ₂ /S-C	276	52.2	<i>J. Alloy. Compd.</i> , 2024 ^[8]
CoCuSrCe	290	42	<i>Dalton Trans.</i> , 2024 ^[9]
NiFeCoZn/NiZn-Ni/NF-24h	266@50	56.12	<i>Chinese J. Chem.</i> , 2024 ^[10]
FeNi@FeNiB-700	272	89	<i>J. Mater. Chem. A</i> , 2019 ^[11]
Fe/Fe ₃ C-modified Carbon	320	51	<i>Angew. Chem. Eng. In.</i> , 2021 ^[12]
Cu-CoOOH@CFP	227	73.3	<i>Chem. Eng. J.</i> , 2021 ^[13]

Table S3. EXAFS data fitting results of Co K-edge curves from (FeCoNiCuZn)N and (Co)N samples ($S_0^2 = 0.87$). S_0^2 is the amplitude reduction factor according to the experimental EXAFS fit of Co foil; CN is the coordination number; R is interatomic distance (the bond length between central atoms and surrounding coordination atoms); σ^2 is Debye-Waller factor (a measure of thermal and static disorder in absorber-scatterer distances); ΔE_0 is edge-energy shift (the difference between the zero kinetic energy value of the sample and that of the theoretical model); R factor is used to value the goodness of the fitting.

Sample	Path	CN	R (Å)	σ^2	ΔE_0	R factor
(FeCoNiCuZn)N	Co-N	7.55±0.91	2.10±0.01	0.0089	-2.56±1.48	0.006
(Co)N	Co-N	6.38±0.81	2.09±0.01	0.0079	-5.70±1.55	0.005

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