## **Supporting Information**

## Synthesis of Cu<sub>3</sub>P nanocubes and their excellent electrocatalytic

## efficiency for hydrogen evolution reaction in acidic solution

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Fig. S1, Survey spectra of X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) for both (a)  $Cu_2O$  and (b)  $Cu_3P$  nanocubes.



Fig. S2. The EDS spectrum of  $Cu_3P$  product.



**Fig. S3.** The length distribution diagrams of (a) Cu<sub>2</sub>O and (b) Cu<sub>3</sub>P nanocubes.



Fig. S4. EDX elemental mapping of  $Cu_3P$  nanotube: (a) raw, (b) P, and (c) Cu element.



Fig. S5. CV curves of the  $Cu_3P$ ,  $Cu_2O$  and bare GCE.



Fig. S6. Optical photograph showing the generation of hydrogen bubbles on  $Cu_3P$  composite modified GCE.



Fig. S7. CV curves of (a)  $Cu_3P$  and (b)  $Cu_2O$  nanocubes at various sweep rates (20-180 mV/s). (c) The capacitive currents at 0.15 V as a function of scan rate for both  $Cu_2O$  and  $Cu_3P$  nanocubes.



Fig. S8. The LSV polarization curves of the Cu<sub>2</sub>O electrode at the 1st and the 500th

cycle number.