

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### Sulfur Doped FeO<sub>x</sub> Nanosheet Arrays Supported on Nickel Foam for Efficient Alkaline Seawater Splitting

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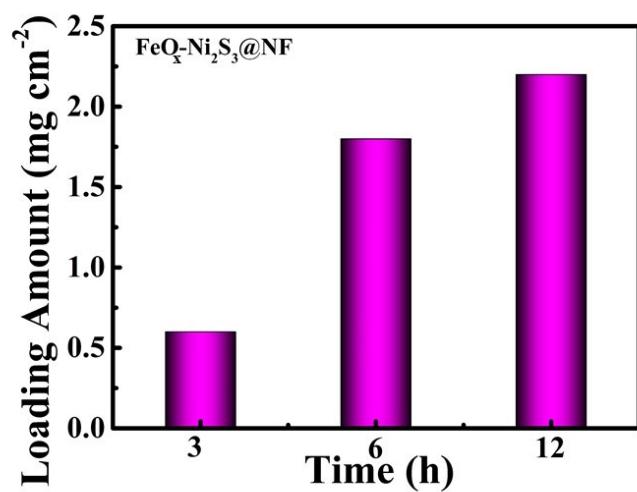
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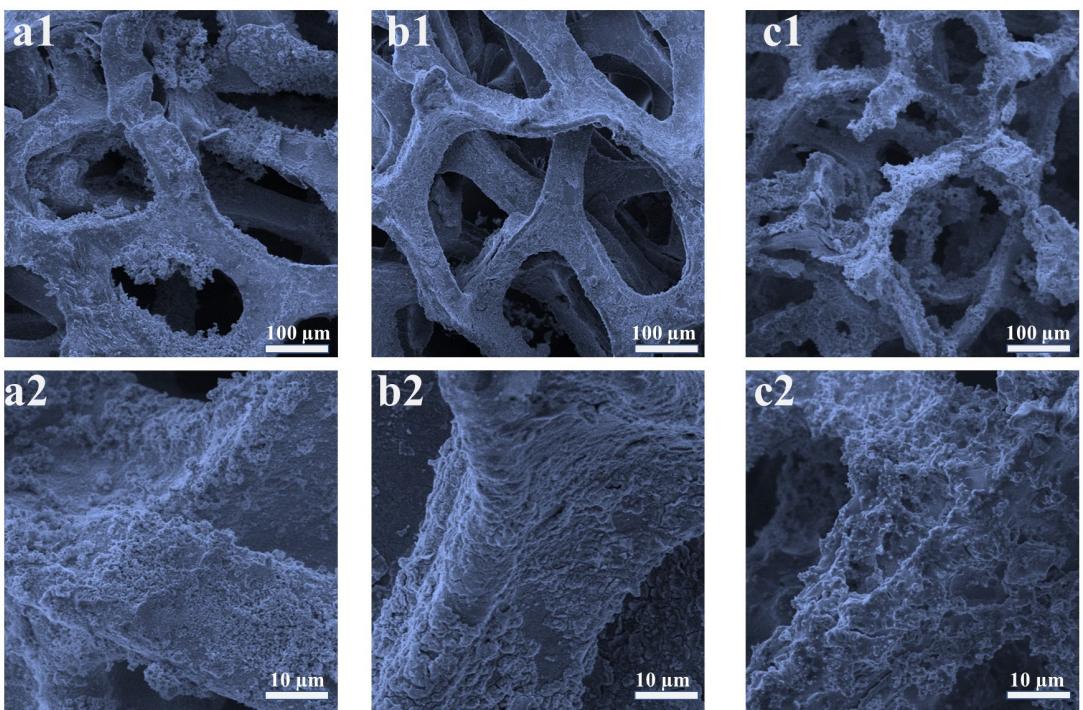
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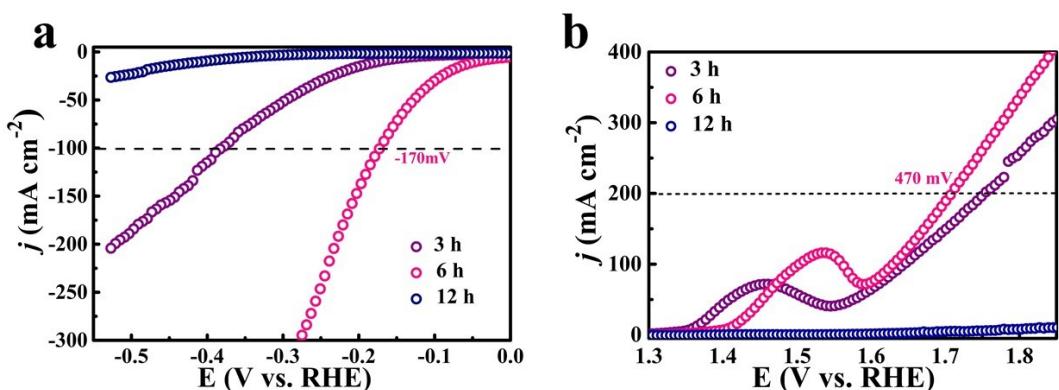
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**Figure S1.** The loading amount of FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> catalyst material on NF at 3 h, 6 h and 12 h, respectively.



**Figure S2.** FESEM images of the  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  composite with hydrothermal for (a) 3 h, (b) 6 h and (c) 12 h.



**Figure S3.** LSV curves of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  for HER (a) and OER (b) in 1.0 M KOH+0.5 M KOH with different hydrothermal time.

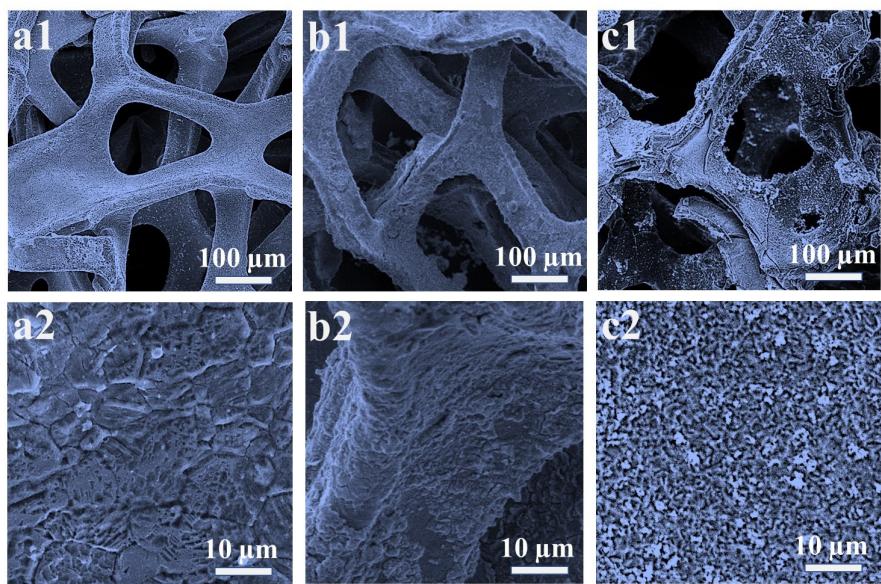


Figure S4. The influence of the amount of thiourea doping on the morphology. (a) Without S; (b) Fe:S=1:1; (c)Fe:S=1:2.

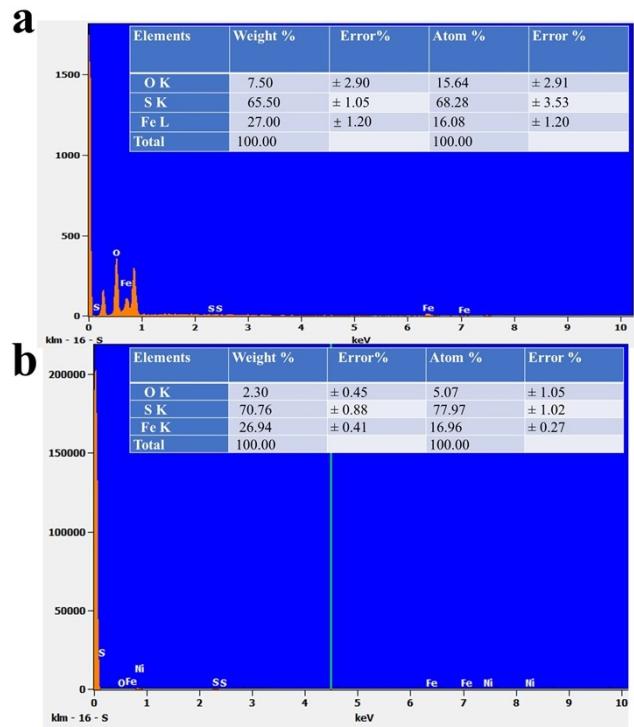
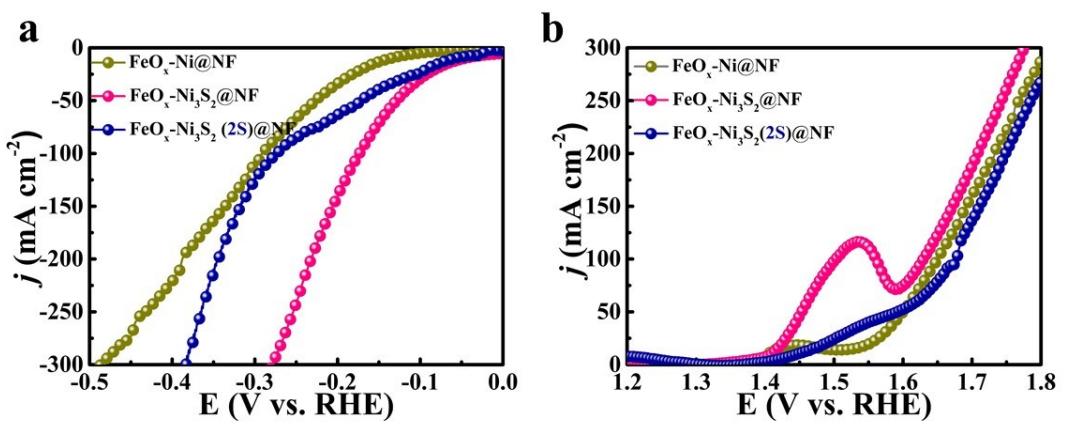
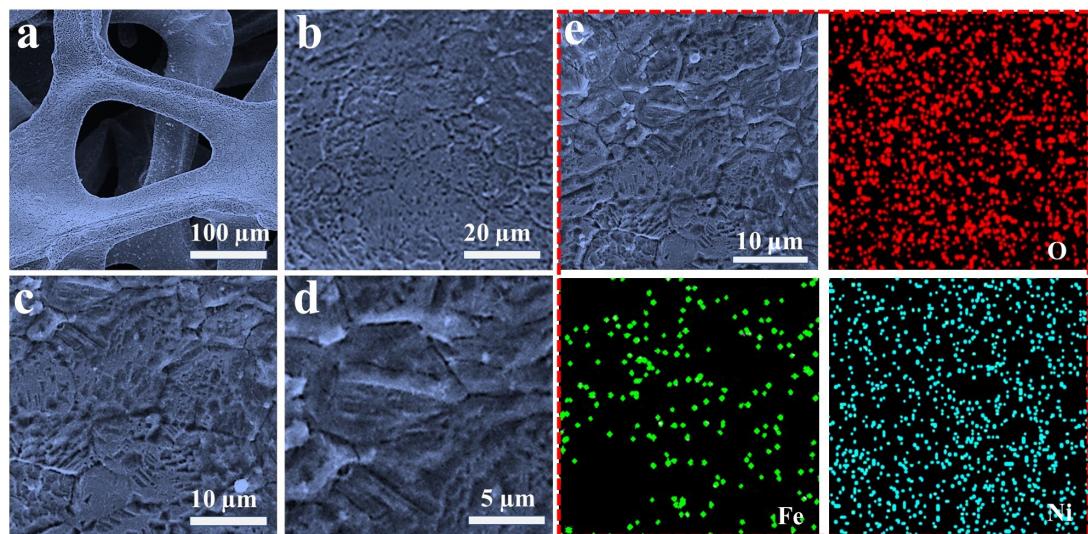


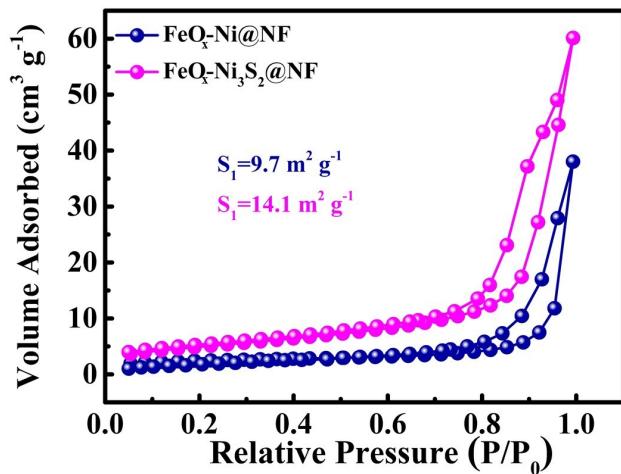
Figure S5. The influence of the amount of thiourea doping on the composition of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$ . (a) Fe:S=1:1; (b) Fe:S=1:2.



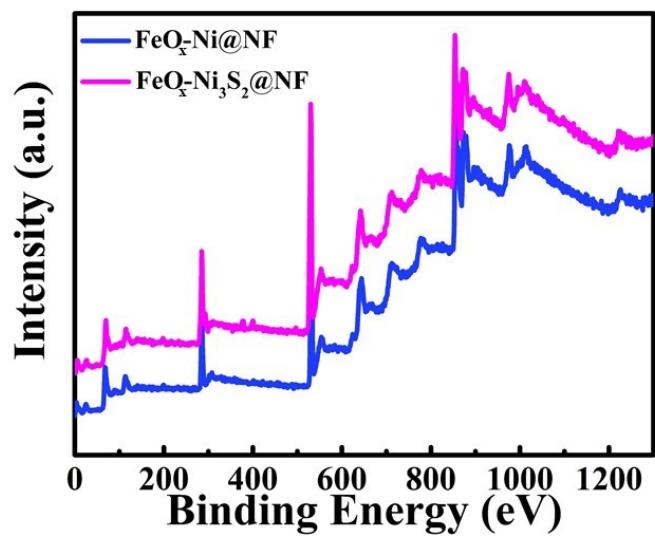
**Figure S6.** Polarization curves of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni@NF}$  for HER (a) and OER (b) in 1.0 M KOH with different sulfur source doping amount.



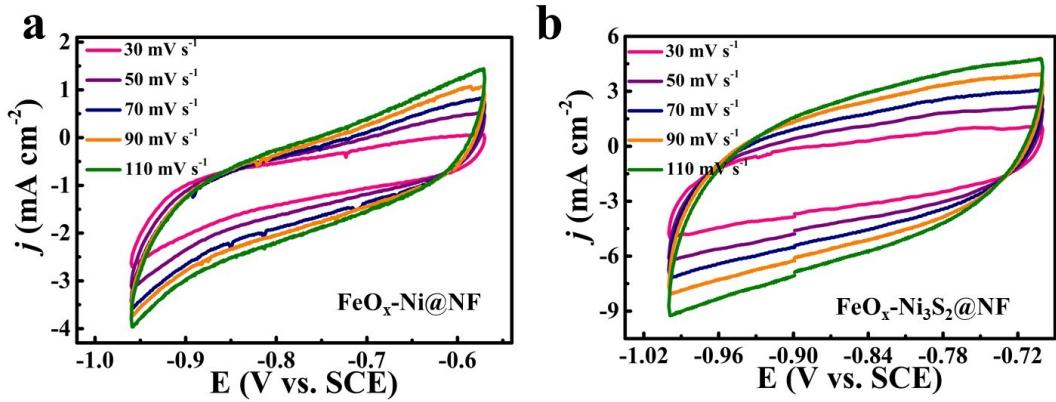
**Figure S7.** FESEM (a-d) and EDS (e) mapping images of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni@NF}$  electrode.



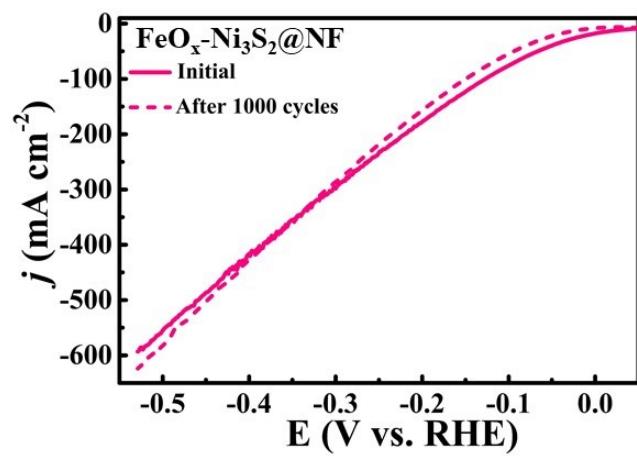
**Figure S8.** Nitrogen isotherms of the  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni@NF}$  and  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2\text{@NF}$  electrodes in nitrogen.



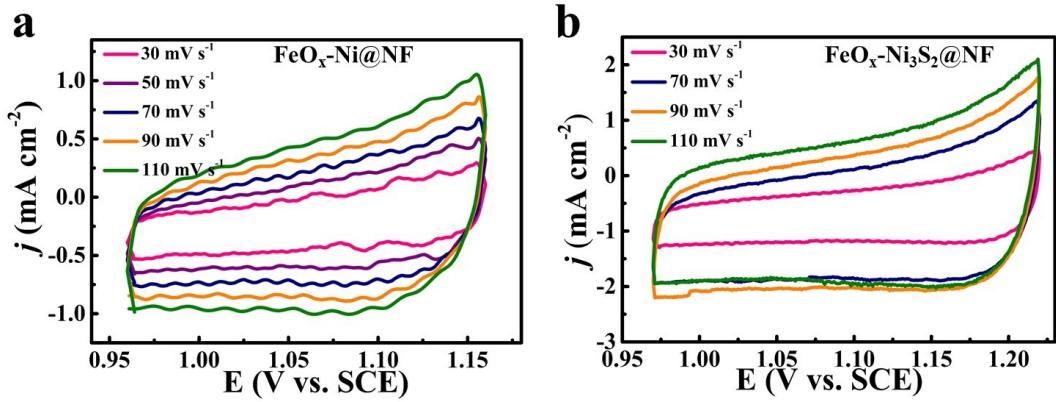
**Figure S9.** The survey XPS spectrum of the  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni@NF}$  and  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2\text{@NF}$  composite.



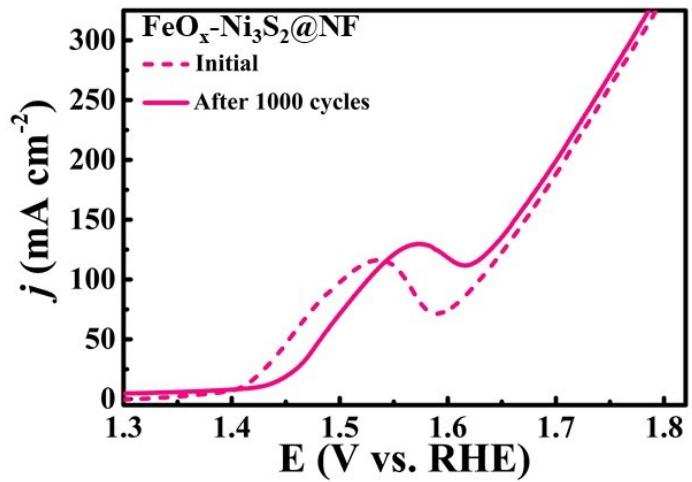
**Figure S10.** Cyclic voltammograms of (a)  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni@NF}$  and (b)  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2\text{@NF}$  electrode in the non-Faradaic current range at scan rates of 10, 30, 50, 70 and 90  $\text{mV s}^{-1}$  for HER.



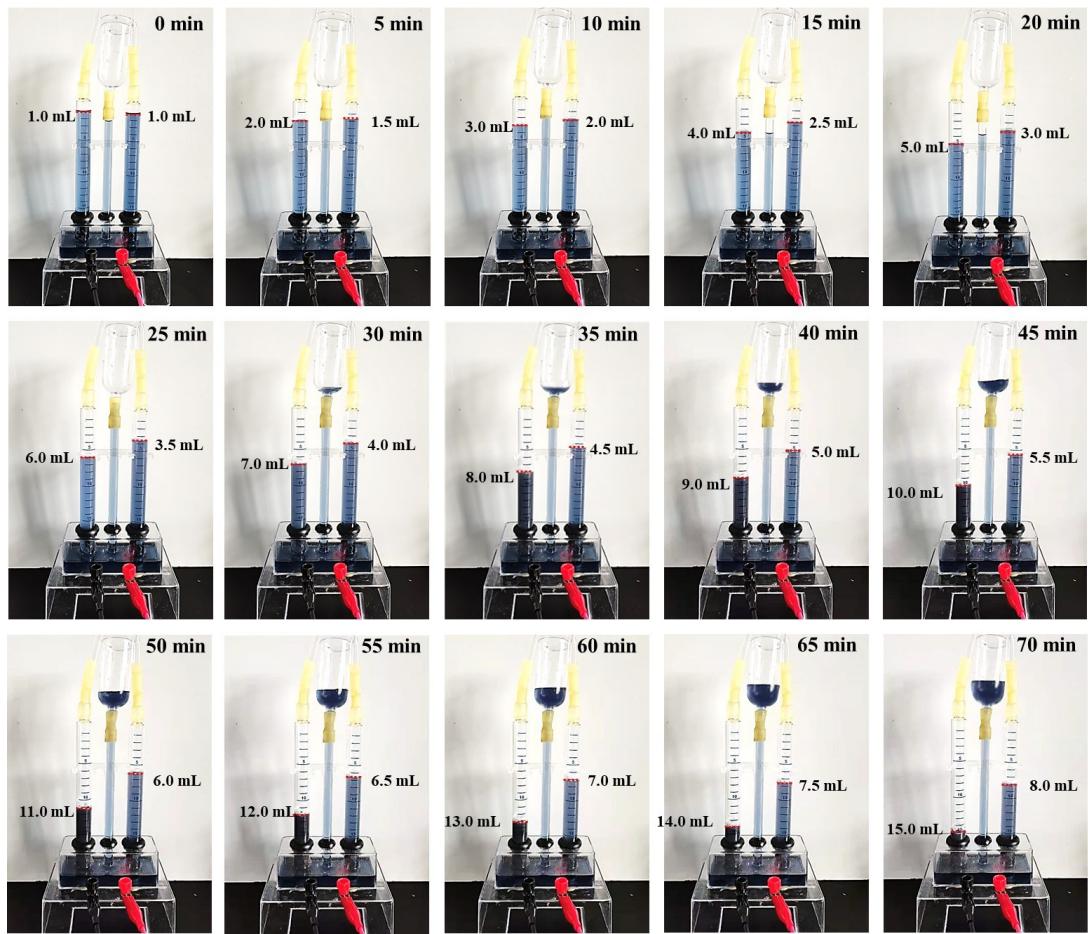
**Figure S11.** The LSV curves of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  electrode before and after 1000 CV cycles for HER.



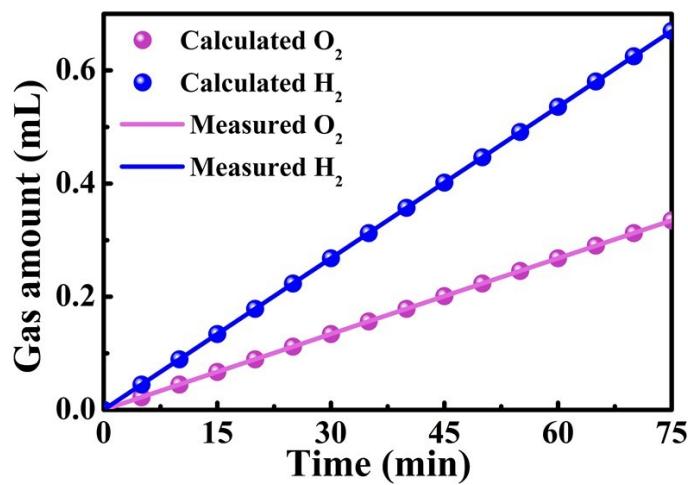
**Figure S12.** Cyclic voltammograms of (a)  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni@NF}$  and (b)  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  electrode in the non-Faradaic current range at scan rates of 30, 50, 70, 90 and 110  $\text{mV s}^{-1}$  for OER.



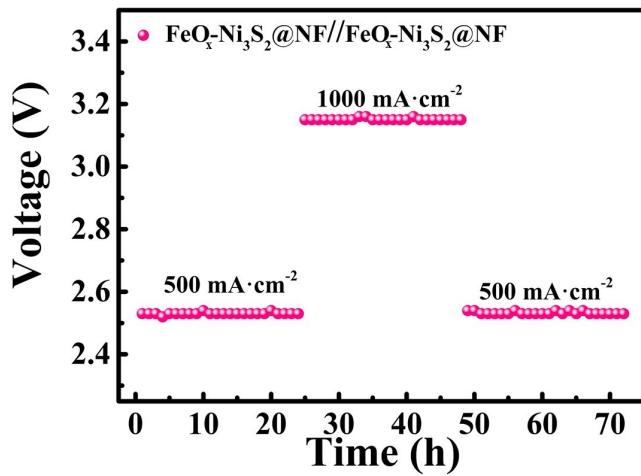
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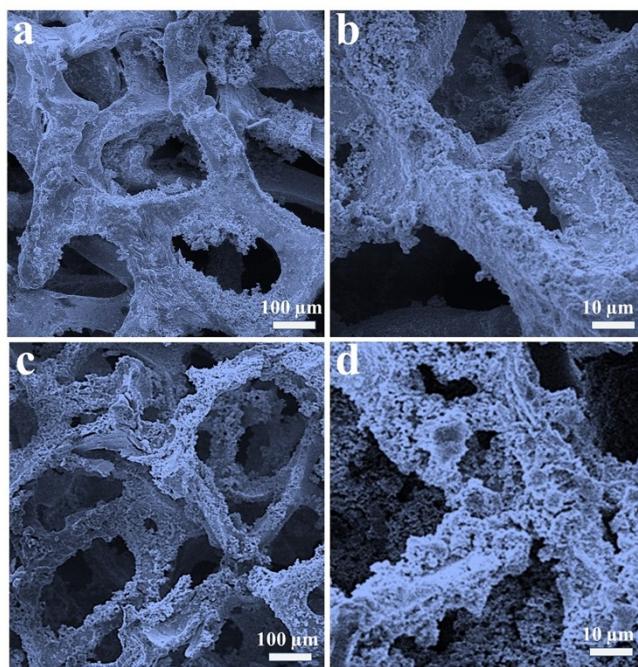
**Figure S14.** Collection of hydrogen ( $H_2$ ) and oxygen ( $O_2$ ) in water splitting in 1.0 M KOH+0.5 M NaCl at the  $100 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ .



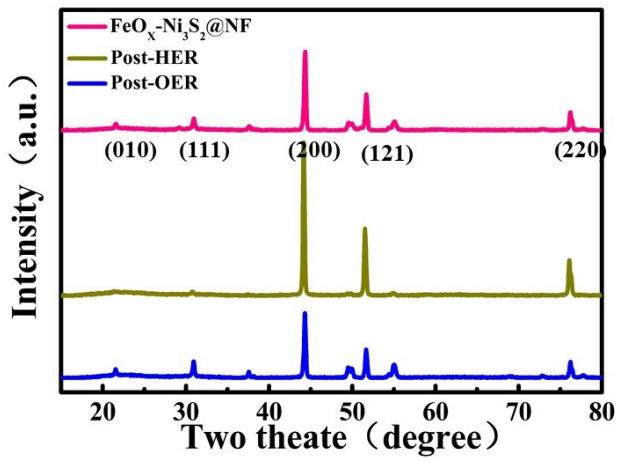
**Figure S15.** Amount of gas theoretically calculated and experimentally measured versus time for  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF} \parallel \text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$ .



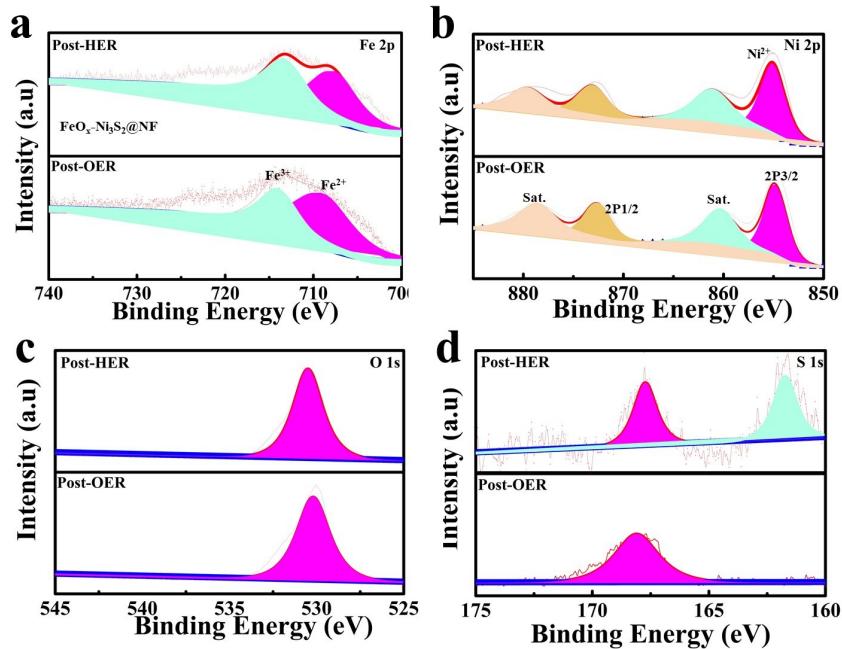
**Figure S16.** Long-term stability test of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  electrode at current densities of  $500 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ ,  $1000 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$  and  $500 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$  for overall water splitting in  $1.0 \text{ M KOH} + 0.5 \text{ M NaCl}$  over 72 h.



**Figure S17.** The SEM of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  electrode for HER (a, b) and OER (c, d) at  $200 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$  in  $1.0 \text{ M KOH} + 0.5 \text{ M NaCl}$  after 100 h.



**Figure S18.** The XRD of FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>@NF electrode for HER and OER at 200 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> in 1.0 M KOH+0.5 M NaCl after 100 h.



**Figure S19.** High-resolution XPS of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  electrodes for HER and OER at  $200 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$  in  $1.0 \text{ M KOH} + 0.5 \text{ M NaCl}$  after 100 h. (a) Fe2p; (b) Ni2p; (c) O1s and (d) S1s.

Catalyst	State	Atomic Ratio Fe : S
<b>FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>@NF</b>		1:4.9
	Post-HER	1:4.1
	Post-OER	1:3.4

**Table S1.** ICP-AES analysis of the FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>@NF electrode

**Table S2.** Comparison the HER performance of FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>@NF electrode with other electrocatalysts in 1.0 M KOH.

Catalysts	j (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )		Taf slope (mV dec <sup>-1</sup> )	References
	10	100		
<b>FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>@NF</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>This Work</b>
Ni Foam/P-CoMoO <sub>4</sub> -350	94	197	93	Adv. Sci. <b>2020</b> , 7, 1903674
H-MoS <sub>2</sub> /MoP	92	-	59.8	Small <b>2020</b> , 16, 2002482
NiO/Ru@PNS	39	-	75	J. Mater. chem. A, <b>2019</b> , 7, 2344-2350
H-NiFe LDH	59	-	62.3	Energy Environ. Sci., <b>2019</b> , 12, 572-581
Pt/np-Co <sub>0.85</sub> Se	55	-	35	Nature Communications, <b>2019</b> , 10, 1743
MoS <sub>2</sub> -MoP/NC	35	69	30	Nano Energy, <b>2020</b> , 78, 105253
Co, Mo <sub>2</sub> C-CNF	128	-	60	Chemical Engineering Journal <b>2020</b> , 125481
MoP/0.5CM-CDs1100	70	-	77.49	Nano Energy <b>2020</b> , 72, 104730
CC@N-CoP	42	-	41.2	Adv. Mater. <b>2018</b> , 1800140
Mo <sub>2</sub> N /CeO <sub>2</sub> @NF	26	-	37.8	ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces <b>2020</b> , 12, 26, 29153-29161
b-S-Ni <sub>3</sub> Se <sub>4</sub> Se-Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> /NF	89	-	61	Nano Energy <b>2020</b> , 74, 104787
Ni <sub>2</sub> P–Ni <sub>12</sub> P <sub>5</sub> / NF	76	147	68	Small <b>2020</b> , 06770
VS <sub>2</sub> -Mo-10	243	-	52.6	Chemical Engineering Journal <b>2020</b> , 396 125227
Re <sub>1-x</sub> Mo <sub>x</sub> Se <sub>2</sub>	77	-	42	ACS Nano <b>2020</b> , 14, 9, 11995–12005
Mo <sub>6</sub> Te <sub>6</sub> /MoS <sub>2(1-x)</sub> Te <sub>2x</sub>	320	-	55.7	Small <b>2020</b> , 2004296
N-LDH/2D-Pt	31	-	32.3	ACS Nano <b>2020</b> , 14, 8, 10578–10588
Ru SAs–Ni <sub>2</sub> P	57	-	75	Nano Energy <b>2020</b> , 105467
Fe-Ni <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> @FeNi <sub>3</sub>	105	-	69	Chemical Engineering Journal <b>2020</b> , 396, 125315
(Ni <sub>0.75</sub> Fe <sub>0.25</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> P@GCs	83	-	70.4	J. Mater. Chem. A, <b>2019</b> , 7, 20357-20368
CoNi/CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /NF	82	189	45	J. Mater. Chem. A, <b>2018</b> , 6, 19221-19230
NiO/Ru@PNS	39	-	75	J. Mater. Chem. A, <b>2019</b> , 7, 2344-2350

**Table S3.** Comparison the OER performance of  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  electrode with other electrocatalysts in 1.0 M KOH.

Catalysts	OER ( 10 mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )	Tafel Slope (mV dec <sup>-1</sup> )	References
<b>FeO<sub>x</sub>-Ni<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>@NF</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>This work</b>
CoNi-OH	270	73.5	Chem. Eng. J. <b>2020</b> , 401, 126092
Ru-HPC	310	60.7	Nano Energy <b>2019</b> , 58, 1-10
FeNi <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub> /NF	214	42	ACS Catal. <b>2018</b> , 8, 5431-5441
NiFeMo	238	35	ACS Energy Lett. <b>2018</b> , 3, 546-554
NiCoP@NC NA/NF	215	70.5	Adv. Funct. Mater. <b>2019</b> , 29, 1906316
$\delta$ -FeOOH NSs/NF	265	36	Adv. Mater. <b>2018</b> , 30, 1803144
Ni <sub>2</sub> P-VP <sub>2</sub>	220	49	Adv. Mater. <b>2019</b> , 31, 1901174
Ni/Ni(OH) <sub>2</sub> @N F	270	53	Adv. Mater. <b>2020</b> , 32, 1906915
Ni–Fe–Mo/NF	255	35	Adv. Sci. <b>2020</b> , 7, 1902034
Ni-ZIF/Ni-B@NF	234	76	Adv. Energy Mater. <b>2020</b> , 10, 1902714
Ni/FeOOH@N F	239	70.5	J. Mater. Chem. A, <b>2020</b> , 8, 12603–12612
YP-Co(OH)F	238	67	Small <b>2019</b> , 15, 1904105
Co <sub>6</sub> W <sub>6</sub> C@NC	286	53.96	Small <b>2020</b> , 16, 1907556
Ni–Ni <sub>3</sub> C/CC	299	43.8	Small <b>2020</b> , 16, 2001642
FexNi <sub>3-x</sub> S <sub>2</sub> @NF	252	64	Adv. Energy Mater. <b>2020</b> , 10, 2001963
NiFe LDH	187	34.42	Energy Environ. Sci., <b>2019</b> , 12, 572-581
2D NiCoFe/NF	240	58	Nanoscale, <b>2018</b> , 10, 12975–12980

**Table S4.** The overall-water splitting performance for  $\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}$  and other electrodes with NF-base electrocatalysts in 1.0 M KOH.

Catalysts	Current Density (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )		References
	10	100	
<b><math>\text{FeO}_x\text{-Ni}_3\text{S}_2@\text{NF}</math></b>	<b>1.41</b>	<b>1.61</b>	<b>This Work</b>
<b><math>\text{CoNi/CoFe}_2\text{O}_4/\text{Ni}</math></b>	1.57	1.75	J. Mater. Chem. A, <b>2018</b> , 6, 19221
<b><math>\text{MoS}_2/\text{Co}_9\text{S}_8/\text{Ni}_3\text{S}_2/\text{Ni}</math></b>	1.54		J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>2019</b> , 141, 10417–10430
<b><math>\text{NiFeMo/NF}</math></b>	1.45		ACS Energy Lett. <b>2018</b> , 3, 546–554
<b><math>\text{FePO}_4/\text{NF}</math></b>	1.54	1.72	Adv. Mater. <b>2017</b> , 29, 1704574
<b><math>\text{Ni-NiOH}_2/\text{NF}</math></b>	1.59		Adv. Mater. <b>2020</b> , 32, 1906915
<b><math>\text{NiFeMoOOH/NF}</math></b>	1.5	1.63	Adv. Sci. <b>2020</b> , 7, 1902034
<b><math>\text{Ni-ZIF/Ni-B@NF}</math></b>	1.54		Adv. Energy Mater. <b>2020</b> , 10, 1902714
<b><math>\text{NiP}_2/\text{Ni}_2\text{P@Ni}</math></b>	1.54		J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>2019</b> , 141, 10417–10430
<b><math>\text{YP-Co(OH)F}</math></b>	1.54		Small <b>2019</b> , 15, 1904105
<b><math>\text{Co}_6\text{W}_6\text{C@NC}</math></b>	1.585		Small <b>2020</b> , 16, 1907556
<b><math>\text{Ni-Ni}_3\text{C/CC}</math></b>	1.64		Small <b>2020</b> , 16, 2001642
<b><math>\text{Ni/Ni(OH)}_2/\text{NF}</math></b>	1.59		Adv. Mater. <b>2020</b> , 32, 1906915
<b><math>\text{NiFe-Mo/OOH@NF}</math></b>	1.5	1.63	Adv. Sci. <b>2020</b> , 7, 1902034
<b><math>\text{h-NiS}_x/\text{NF}</math></b>	1.54	1.72	Adv. Mater. <b>2017</b> , 29, 1704574
<b><math>\delta\text{-FeOOH NSs/NF}</math></b>	1.62		Adv. Mater. <b>2018</b> , 30, 1803144
<b><math>\text{NixCo}_{2-x}\text{P@NC}</math></b>	1.56		Adv. Funct. Mater. <b>2019</b> , 29, 1906316
<b><math>\text{Fe-Ni}_3\text{S}_2/\text{NF}</math></b>	1.54		ACS Catal. <b>2018</b> , 8, 5431–5441
<b><math>\text{Ni3N-VN/NF}</math></b>	1.51		Adv. Mater. <b>2019</b> , 31, 1901174
<b><math>\text{Ni/Mo}_2\text{C(1:2)-NCNFs}</math></b>	1.64		Adv. Energy Mater. <b>2019</b> , 9, 1803185