

## Supporting Information

### **Regulating Zn/Co bimetallic catalyst in metal-organic framework and oxyhydroxide for improved photoelectrochemical water oxidation**

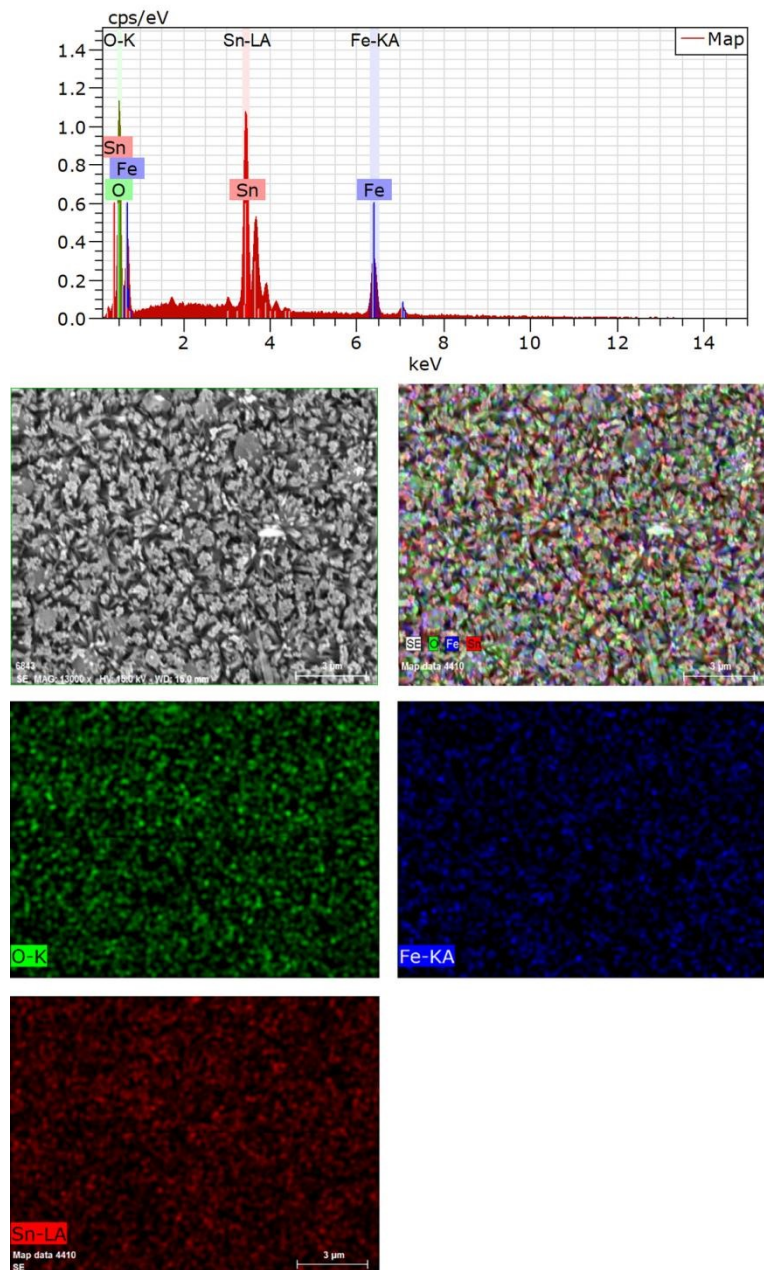
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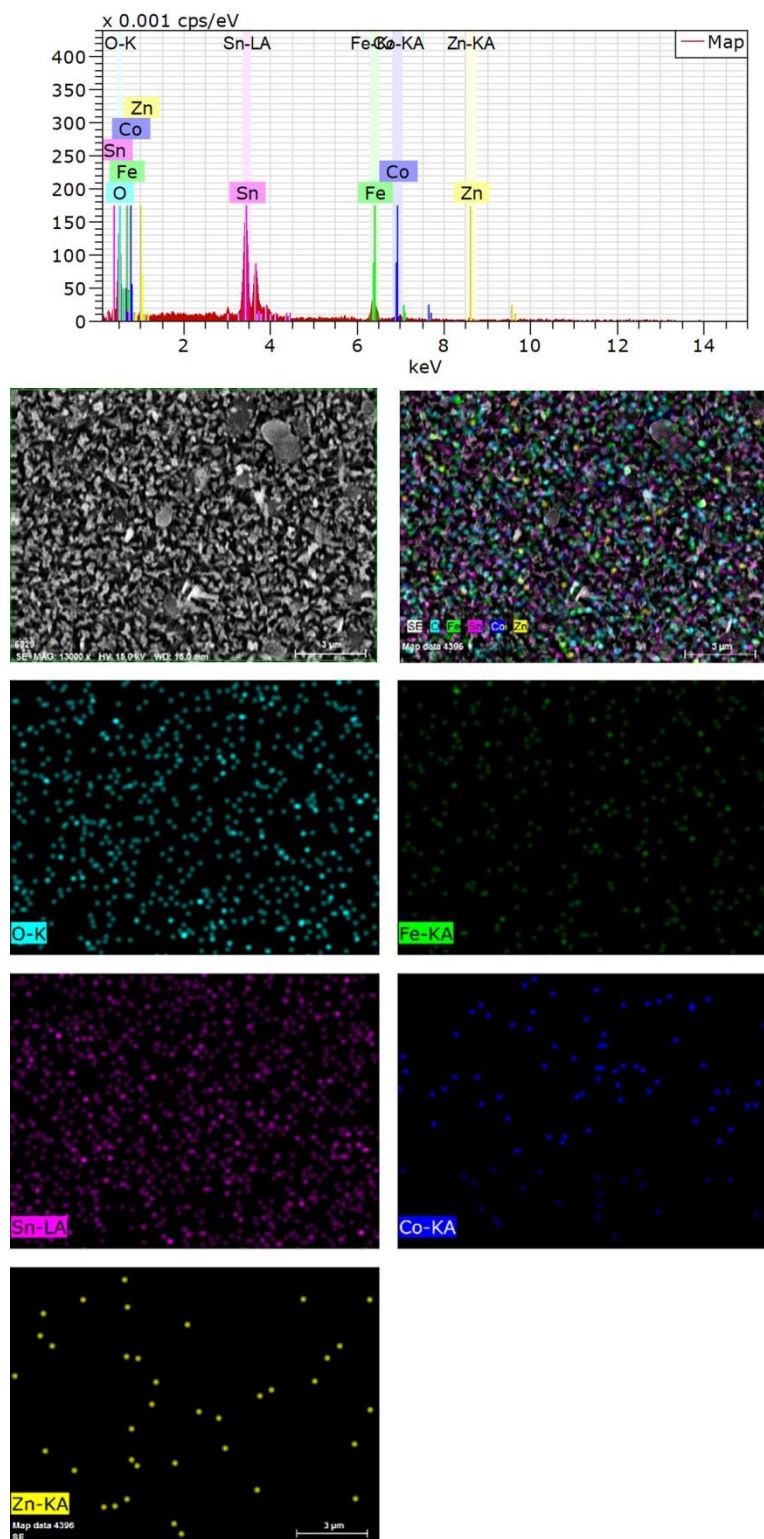
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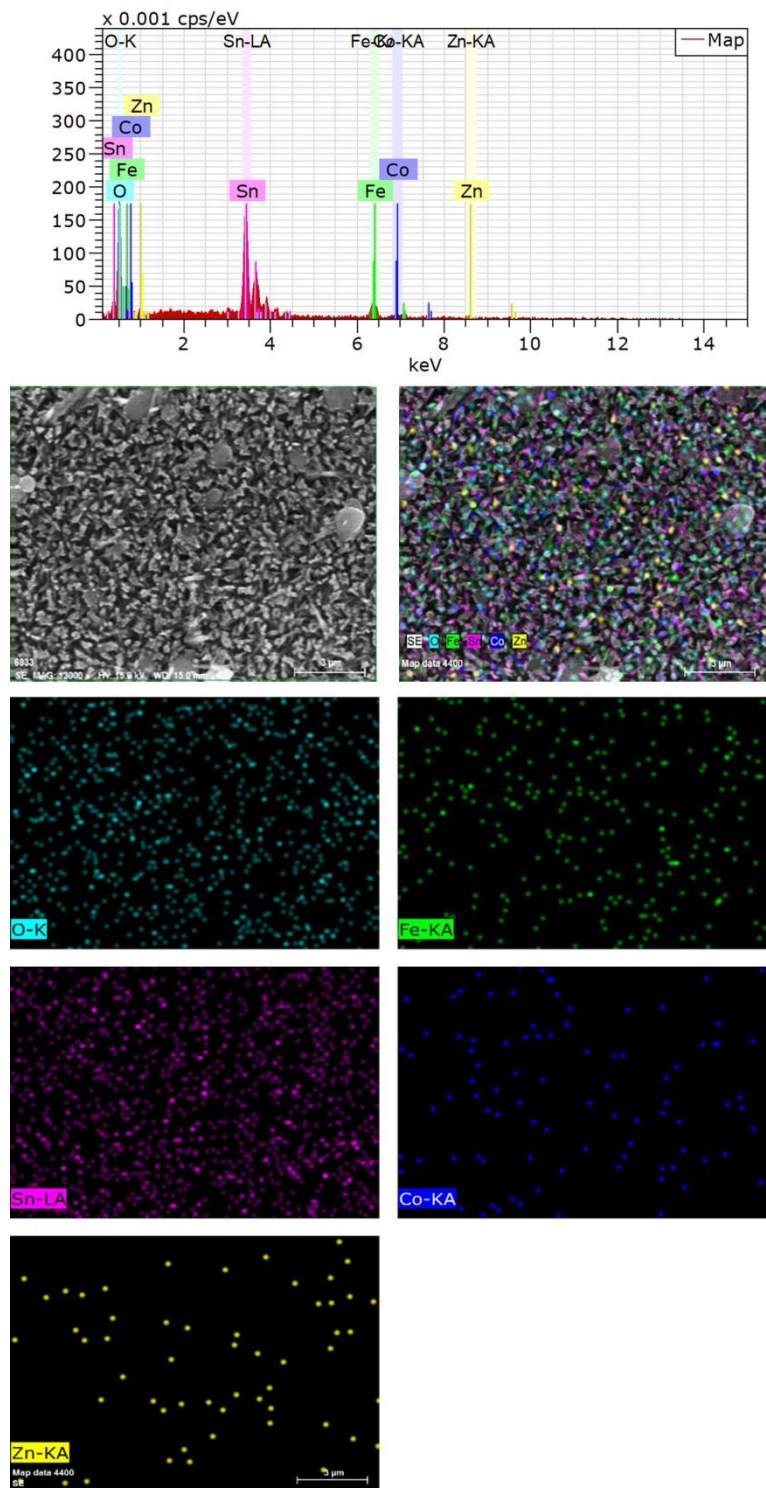
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**Figure S1.** The EDS elements composition of FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> photoanode.

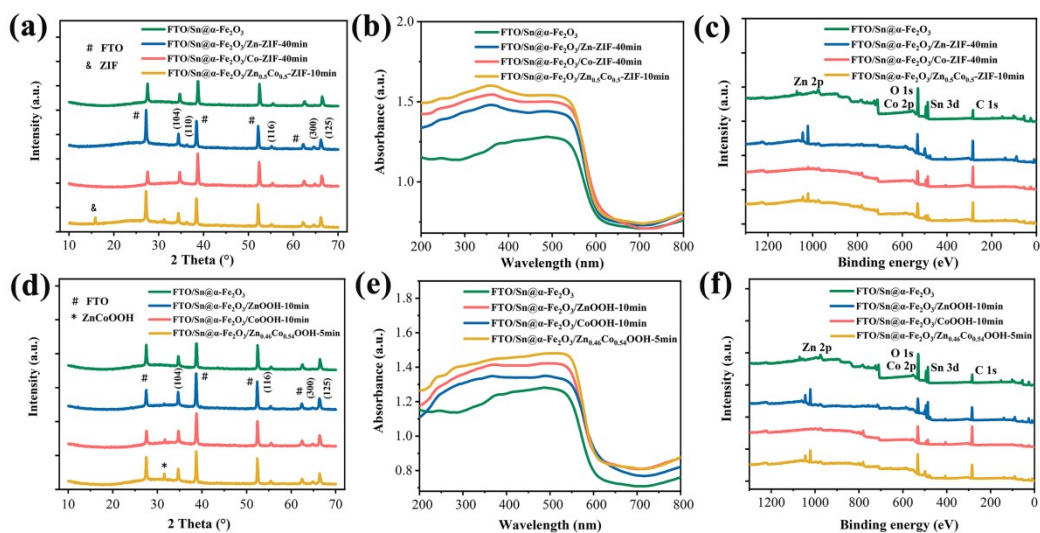


**Figure S2.** The EDS elements composition of FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Zn<sub>0.5</sub>Co<sub>0.5</sub>-ZIF photoanode.

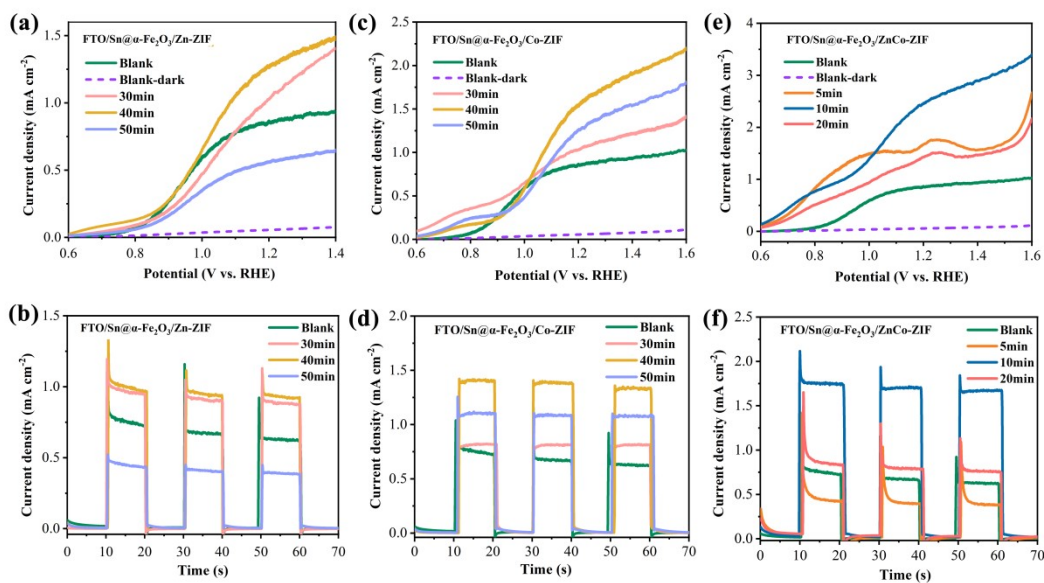


**Figure S3.** The EDS elements composition of FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Zn<sub>0.46</sub>Co<sub>0.54</sub>OOH photoanode.

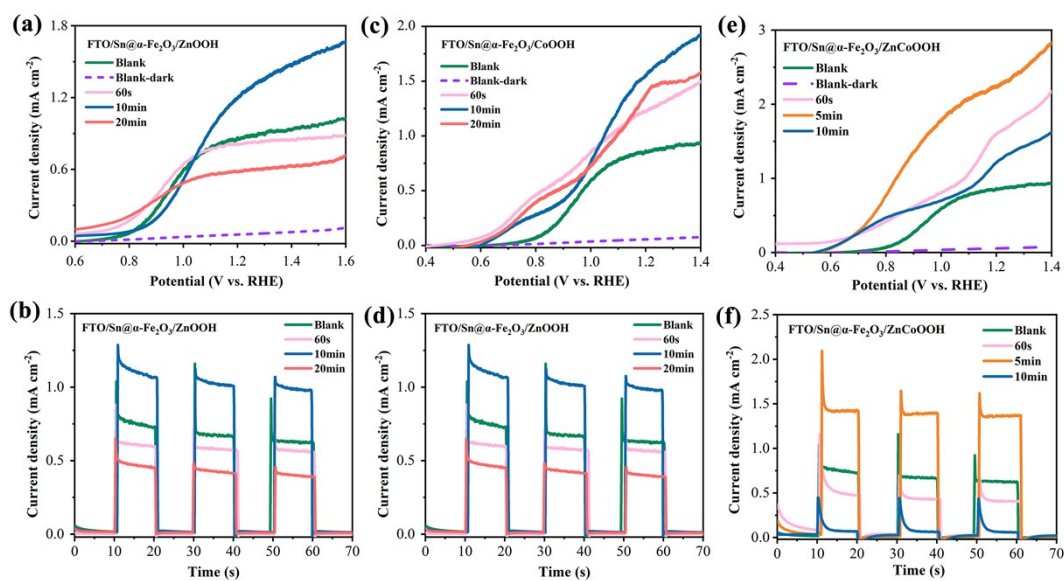




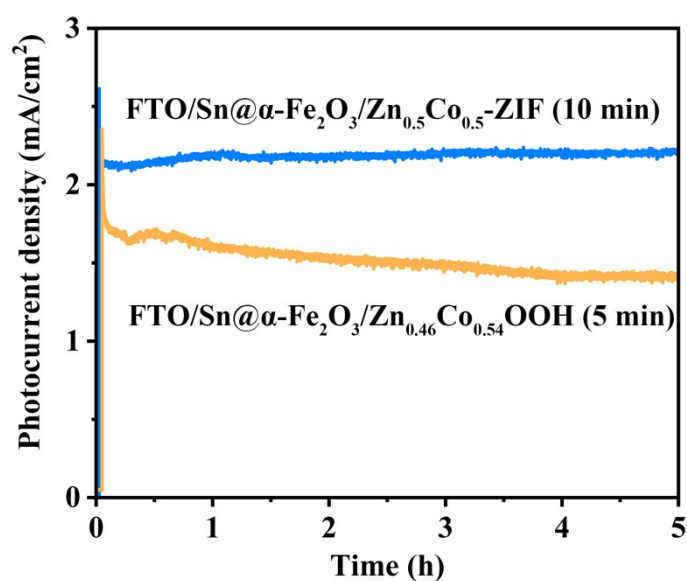
**Figure S4.** The (a and d) XRD patterns, (b and e) UV-vis reflectance spectra and (c and f) XPS survey spectra of  $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> photoanodes decorated by ZnCo-ZIF and ZnCoOOH catalyst, respectively.



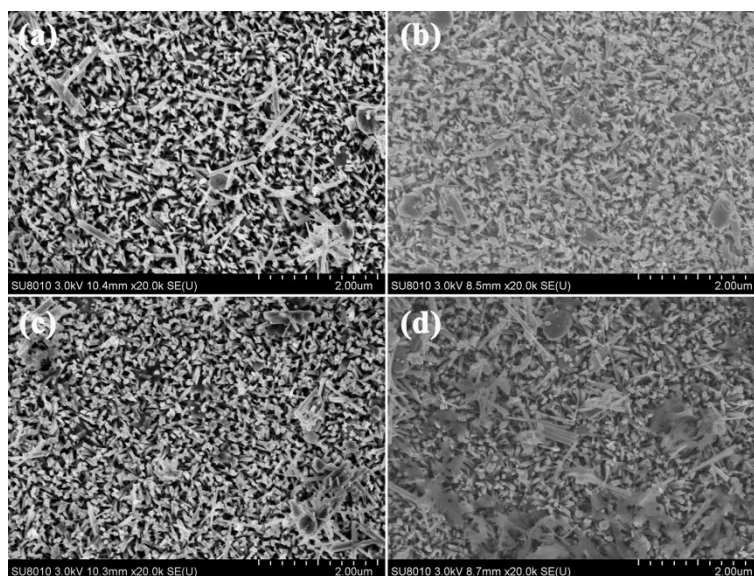
**Figure S5.** The *J-V* curves and transient photocurrent density curves of (a and b) FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Zn-ZIF, (c and d) FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Co-ZIF, (e and f) FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/ZnCo-ZIF photoanodes for different optimization time.



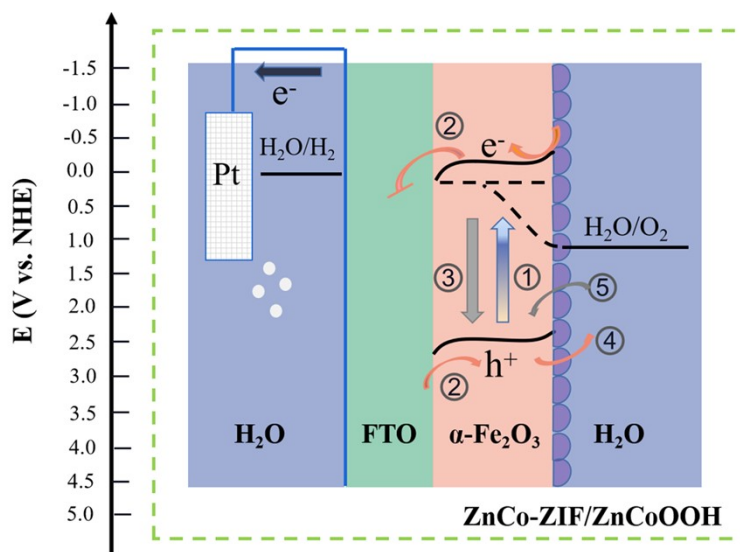
**Figure S6.** The  $J$ - $V$  curves and transient photocurrent density curves of (a and b) FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/ZnOOH, (c and d) FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/CoOOH, (e and f) FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/ZnCoOOH photoanodes for different optimization time.



**Figure S7.**  $J$ - $t$  curves of the  $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> photoanode with ZnCo-ZIF and ZnCoOOH catalyst at 1.23 V<sub>RHE</sub>.



**Figure S8.** The SEM images before (a and c) and after (b and d) stability test of  $\alpha$ - $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  photoanode with ZnCo-ZIF and ZnCoOOH catalyst for 5 hours.



**Figure S9.** Schematic diagram of carriers transports in  $\alpha$ - $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  photoanode with ZnCo-ZIF or ZnCoOOH catalyst.

**Table S1.** The ion contents of Fe, Zn and Co in FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Zn<sub>0.5</sub>Co<sub>0.5</sub>-ZIF (10 min) and FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Zn<sub>0.46</sub>Co<sub>0.54</sub>OOH (5 min) photoanodes.

Concentration	FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /Zn <sub>0.5</sub> Co <sub>0.5</sub> -ZIF (10 min)	FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /Zn <sub>0.46</sub> Co <sub>0.54</sub> OOH (5 min)
Fe (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	2.97×10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.90×10 <sup>-6</sup>
Zn (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	3.85×10 <sup>-7</sup>	5.0×10 <sup>-7</sup>
Co (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	3.83×10 <sup>-7</sup>	5.83×10 <sup>-7</sup>

**Table S2.** The fitting EIS data of  $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> photoanodes based on equivalent circuits.

	FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /Zn <sub>0.5</sub> Co <sub>0.5</sub> -ZIF	FTO/Sn@ $\alpha$ -Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /Zn <sub>0.46</sub> Co <sub>0.54</sub> OOH
$R_s$ ( $\Omega$ cm <sup>2</sup> )	9.18	11.55	12.24
$R_{\text{trap}}$ ( $\Omega$ cm <sup>2</sup> )	6.1	9.1	19.7
$C_{\text{bulk}}$ (F/cm <sup>2</sup> )	1.6×10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.4×10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.6×10 <sup>-6</sup>
$R_{\text{ct}}$ ( $\Omega$ cm <sup>2</sup> )	2019.0	433.2	36.24
$C_{\text{ss}}$ (F/cm <sup>2</sup> )	3.6×10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.7×10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.1×10 <sup>-3</sup>