

Supporting Information

**Efficient oxygen evolution reaction catalyst using Ni-Co layered double hydroxide anchored on reduced graphene oxide**

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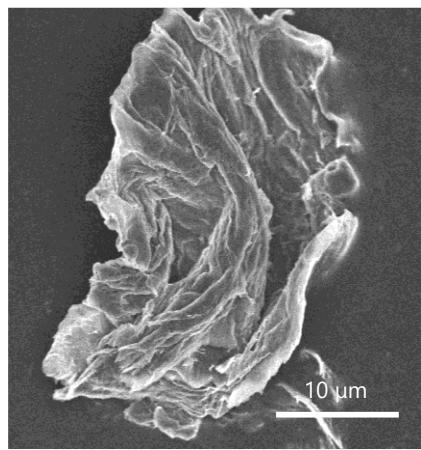


Figure S1: SEM image of rGO.

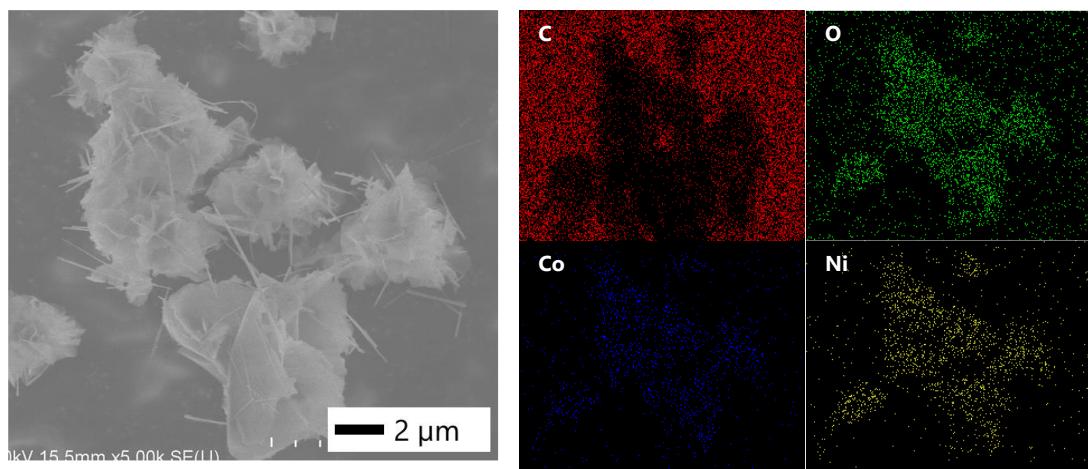


Figure S2: SEM image and corresponding EDX mapping of NiCo-LDH.

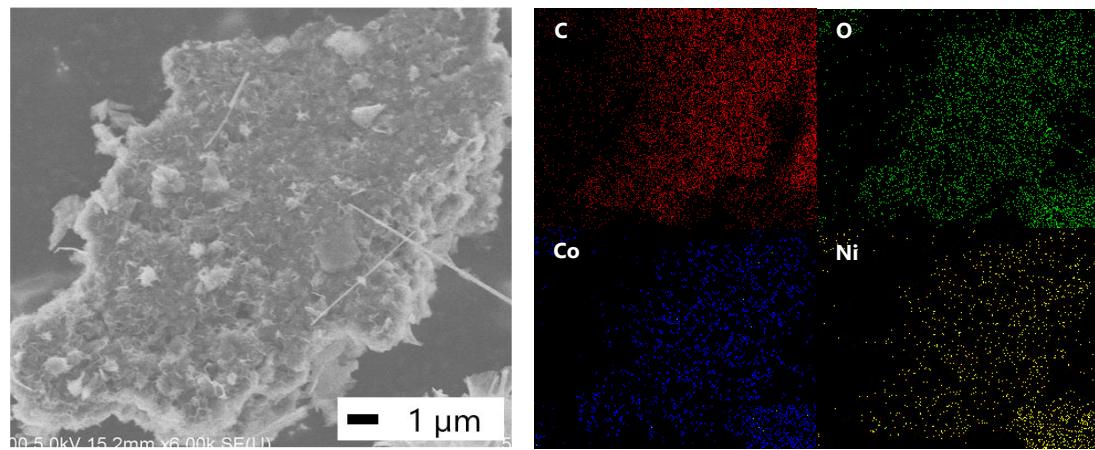


Figure S3: SEM image and corresponding EDX mapping of NiCo-LDH@rGO.

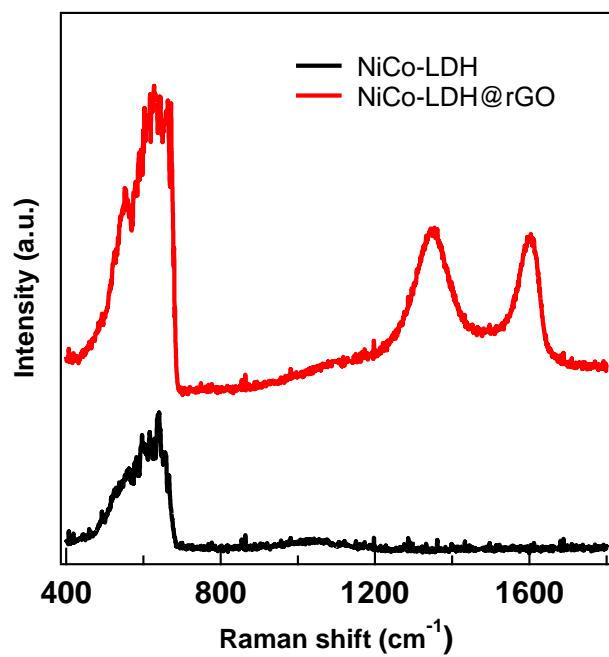


Figure S4: Raman spectrum of NiCo-LDH, and NiCo-LDH@rGO.

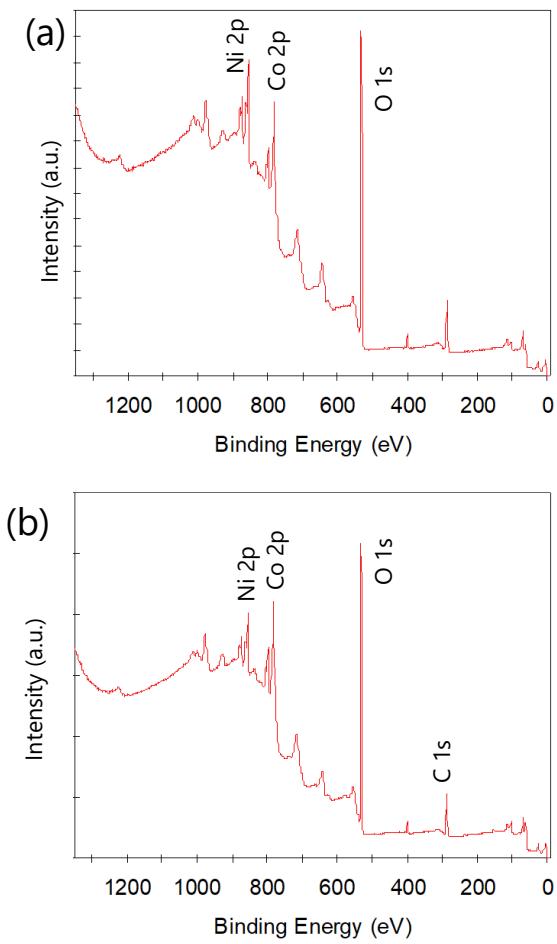


Figure S5: XPS survey spectrum of a) NiCo-LDH and b) NiCo-LDH@rGO.

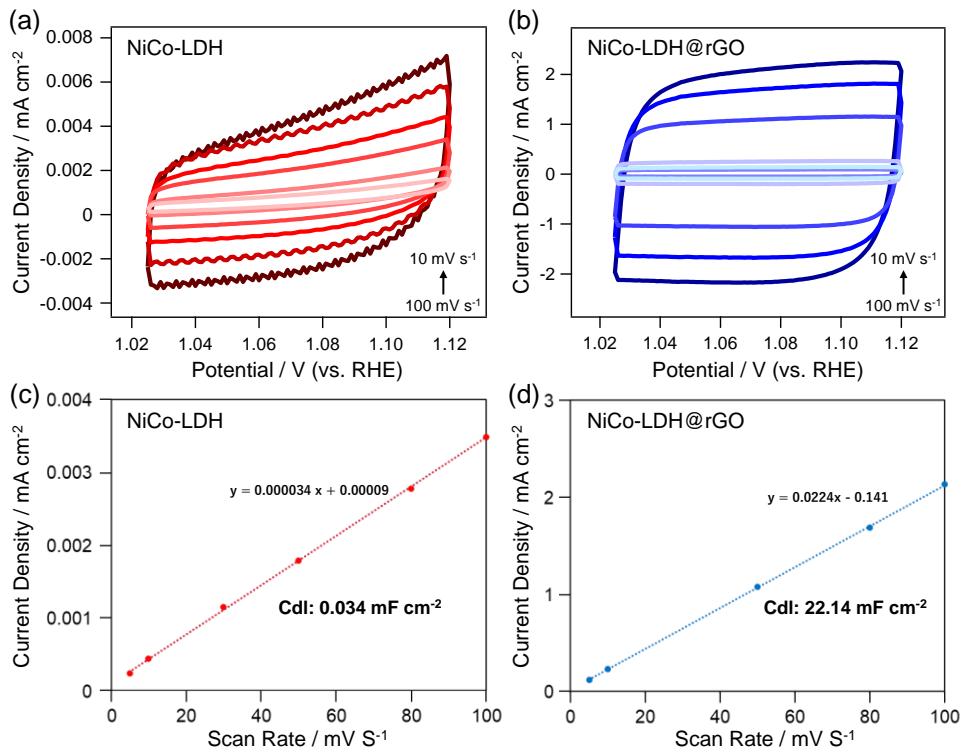


Figure S6: ECSA calculation for NiCo-LDH (a,c) and NiCo-LDH@rGO (b,d). The  $C_{dl}$  was calculated with the formula,  $C_{dl} = j/r$ , where  $j$  is the current density and  $r$  is the scan rate. The corresponding  $C_{dl}$ s were calculated to be 0.034 and 22.4 mF cm<sup>-2</sup> from the slope of the linear fit, respectively. ECSA can be calculated as:  $ECSA = C_{dl}/Cs$ , where  $Cs$  is the capacitance of an atomically smooth planar electrocatalyst surface per unit area under identical conditions. The general value of  $Cs$  ranges from 20-60  $\mu\text{F cm}^{-2}$ . In the following calculations of ECSA, 60  $\mu\text{F cm}^{-2}$  is used as  $Cs$ .

$$ECSA_{NiCo-LDH} = 0.034 \text{ mF cm}^{-2} / 60 \mu\text{F cm}^{-2} = 0.57$$

$$ECSA_{NiCo-LDH@rGO} = 22.4 \text{ mF cm}^{-2} / 60 \mu\text{F cm}^{-2} = 373$$