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A Series of Isostructural Polyoxometalate-Based Metal–Organic Frameworks of 3,5-Bis(1',2',4'-triazol-1'-yl)pyridine: Synthesis, Structures and Electrocatalytic Properties

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1. Material and Methods

Cobalt nitrate ($\text{Co}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$), nickel nitrate ($\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$), zinc nitrate ($\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$), and ammonium molybdate tetrahydrate ($(\text{NH}_4)_6\text{Mo}_7\text{O}_{24} \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$) were used as received from Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Corporation. The ligand 3,5-bis(1',2',4'-triazol-1'-yl)pyridine (btap) was prepared according to the literature method [1, 2]. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) data were collected using a Panalytical X'pert diffractometer with Cu $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 1.54178 \text{ \AA}$). Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectroscopy was performed using a Bruker Tensor 27 FTIR spectrometer. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) were carried out using a TA Instruments SDT Q600 thermal analyzer under a constant stream of dry nitrogen gas (flow rate 20 ml min^{-1}) over the temperature range of $40 - 800 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and at a heating rate of 20 K min^{-1} . Elemental analyses (C, H, and N) were carried out on an Elementar vario EL cube elemental analyzer. A Renishaw *InVia* Raman spectrometer was used to record Raman spectra. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) images were obtained on a FEI Tecnai F20 transmission electron microscope. A Hitachi SU-8010 scanning electron microscope was used to ensure the morphology of the catalyst (SEM images), equipped with an energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDXS). A Shimadzu Kratos Analytical AXIS SUPRA⁺ X-ray photoelectron spectrometer equipped with a micro-focus Al $K\alpha$ X-ray source was employed to perform X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) measurements.

2. Synthesis

2.1. Synthesis of POMOFs

Synthesis of $[\text{Co}^{\text{II}}(\text{btap})_2(\beta\text{-Mo}_8\text{O}_{26})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4] \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (compound **1** or Co-POMOF). A mixture of $\text{Co}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (73.0 mg, 0.25 mmol), $(\text{NH}_4)_6\text{Mo}_7\text{O}_{24} \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (62.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), and btap (11.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in 5 ml H_2O with 3 – 4 drops of 1 mol l^{-1} HCl solution was sealed in a 25 ml Teflon[®] reactor, which was heated at $120 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 3 days. After being cooled to room temperature, large block pink crystals of compound **1** were obtained in about 50 % yield (based on btap). Elemental analysis results for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{Co}_2\text{Mo}_8\text{N}_{14}\text{O}_{34}$: Calc. (%), C 11.55, H 1.62, N 10.47; Found (%), C 11.23, H 1.95, N 10.25. FT-IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 3620 (w), 3561 (m), 3479 (w), 3279 (m), 3134 (w), 3055 (w), 2971 (w), 1649 (m), 1597 (m), 1526 (s), 1448 (m), 1368 (m), 1295 (m), 1217 (m), 1171 (w), 1136 (m), 1047 (w), 993 (w), 954 (s), 912 (s), 826 (m), 719 (s), 651 (m), 561 (w), 465 (w).

Synthesis of $[\text{Ni}^{\text{II}}(\text{btap})_2(\beta\text{-Mo}_8\text{O}_{26})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4] \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (compound **2** or Ni-POMOF). The compound **2** was prepared similarly to that of compound **1**, but $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (73.0 mg, 0.25 mmol) was used instead of $\text{Co}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$. Large block green crystals of compound **2** were obtained in a 42 % yield based on btap. Elemental analysis results for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{Ni}_2\text{Mo}_8\text{N}_{14}\text{O}_{34}$: Calc. (%), C 11.55, H 1.62, N 10.48; Found (%), C 11.18, H 1.88, N 10.22. FT-IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 3623 (w), 3576 (w), 3490 (w), 3322 (m), 3135 (w), 3057 (w), 1645 (m), 1549 (m), 1525 (s), 1452 (s), 1368 (m), 1304 (m), 1168 (m), 1136 (m), 1077 (w), 1052 (w), 999 (m), 955 (s), 910 (s), 826 (m), 718 (m), 665 (m), 640 (m), 559 (w), 519 (w), 461 (w).

Synthesis of $[\text{Zn}^{\text{II}}(\text{btap})_2(\beta\text{-Mo}_8\text{O}_{26})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (compound **3** or Zn-POMOF). The compound **3** was prepared similarly to that of the compound **1**, but $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2\cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (73.0 mg, 0.25 mmol) was used instead of $\text{Co}(\text{NO}_3)_2\cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$. Large colorless block crystals of Zn-POMOF were obtained in a 20 % yield based on btap. Elemental analysis results for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{Zn}_2\text{Mo}_8\text{N}_{14}\text{O}_{34}$: Calc. (%), C 11.47, H 1.60, N 10.40; Found (%), C 11.12, H 1.91, N 10.28. FT-IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 3621 (w), 3561 (w), 3485 (w), 3297 (m), 3135 (w), 3053 (w), 2968 (w), 1781 (w), 1712 (w), 1645 (m), 1597 (m), 1528 (s), 1450 (m), 1371 (m), 1297 (m), 1218 (m), 1173 (m), 1138 (m), 1046 (w), 994 (m), 954 (s), 911 (s), 829 (m), 719 (m), 650 (m), 561 (m), 518 (w), 464 (w).

The morphology of the crystals of (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3** was presented in Fig. S1.

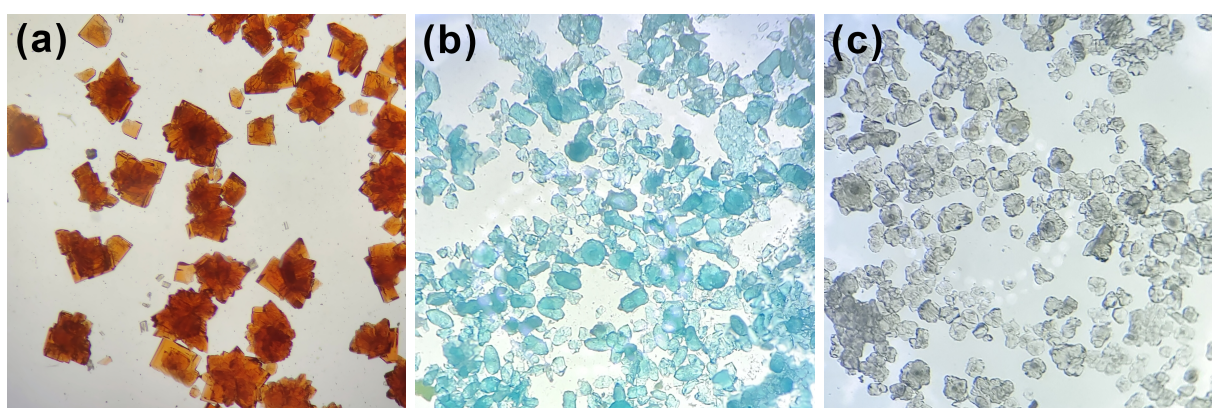


Figure S1: The morphology of the crystals of (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3**.

2.2. Synthesis of Co/Ni-POMOF-T

Co/Ni-POMOFs were calcined in a traditional tubular furnace at a rate of $5\text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$ and maintained for 2 h in argon atmosphere at different temperature to obtain Co and Ni-POMOF-T series ($T = 700, 800, 900$ and $1000\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$). Co-POMOF pyrolyzed at 700, 800, 900 and $1000\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, were named Co-POMOF-700, Co-POMOF-800, Co-POMOF-900 and Co-POMOF-1000, respectively. Ni-POMOF heated at 700, 800, 900 and $1000\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ were denoted as Ni-POMOF-700, Ni-POMOF-800, Ni-POMOF-900 and Ni-POMOF-1000, respectively.

3. Structure Determination of Single Crystals

Suitable single crystals of the compounds **1**, **2** and **3** were selected for single crystal X-ray diffraction analyses. Crystallographic data were collected on a Bruker AXS SMART APEX II CCD single crystal X-ray diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073\text{ \AA}$). The APEX 2 program was used to collect the frames of data, index the reflections and determine the lattice parameters; SAINT [3] was used for the integration of the intensities of the reflections and scaling; SADABS [4] was used for the absorption correction; and SHELXTL [5, 6] was used for the space-group determination. Structures were solved by direct method or Patterson method with SHELXT program [7]

and refined by the full matrix least-square method on the basis of F^2 using SHELXL-2014 program [8, 9] contained in OLEX2 suite graphical user interface [10]. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters during the final cycles. All hydrogen atoms of the organic molecule were placed by geometrical considerations and added to the structure factor calculation. The crystallographic information files (CIFs) were compiled with OLEX2. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (CCDC). CCDC 2373986 (for **1**), 2373987 (for **2**), and 2373988 (for **3**) contained the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. The PLATON program enabled for the checking for additional symmetry elements. The overall structures of the compounds were analyzed using TOPOS software [11]. The formula for **1**, **2** and **3** were determined by single crystal structure. Crystallographic figures were generated with Diamond 3.1e software [12]. The detailed bond lengths and bond angles for these compounds were tabulated in Tables S2 – S7.

Table S1: Crystallographic data and structure refinement parameters for compounds **1** – **3**

	1	2	3
Empirical formula	C ₁₈ H ₃₀ Co ₂ Mo ₈ N ₁₄ O ₃₄	C ₁₈ H ₃₀ Ni ₂ Mo ₈ N ₁₄ O ₃₄	C ₁₈ H ₃₀ Zn ₂ Mo ₈ N ₁₄ O ₃₄
Formula weight	1871.94	1871.50	1884.82
Temperature (K)	296(2)	296(2)	296(2)
Crystal system	orthorhombic	orthorhombic	orthorhombic
Space group	<i>Pbca</i> (no. 61)	<i>Pbca</i> (no. 61)	<i>Pbca</i> (no. 61)
<i>a</i> (Å)	15.5814(7)	15.7082(12)	15.5823(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	16.4046(8)	16.2936(12)	16.4405(7)
<i>c</i> (Å)	17.8430(8)	17.7195(13)	17.8841(7)
α (°)	90.00	90.00	90.00
β (°)	90.00	90.00	90.00
γ (°)	90.00	90.00	90.00
Volume (Å ³)	4560.8(4)	4535.2(6)	4581.6(3)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4
Density (calc.) (g cm ⁻³)	2.726	2.741	2.733
λ (Mo K α) (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Absorption coefficient (μ mm ⁻¹)	2.949	3.064	3.259
<i>F</i> (000)	3592.0	3600.0	3616.0
$2\theta_{\max}$ (°)	57	55	55
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.191	1.238	1.046
R_{int}	0.0510	0.0454	0.0533
R_1/wR_2 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$) ^a	0.0183, 0.0458	0.0170, 0.0419	0.0225, 0.0453
R_1/wR_2 (all data)	0.0193, 0.0462	0.0179, 0.0422	0.0319, 0.0480

$$^a R_1 = \frac{\sum ||F_o| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_o|}; wR_2 = \left[\frac{\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2}{\sum w(F_o^2)^2} \right]^{1/2}.$$

3.1. Crystal Structure of Compound 1

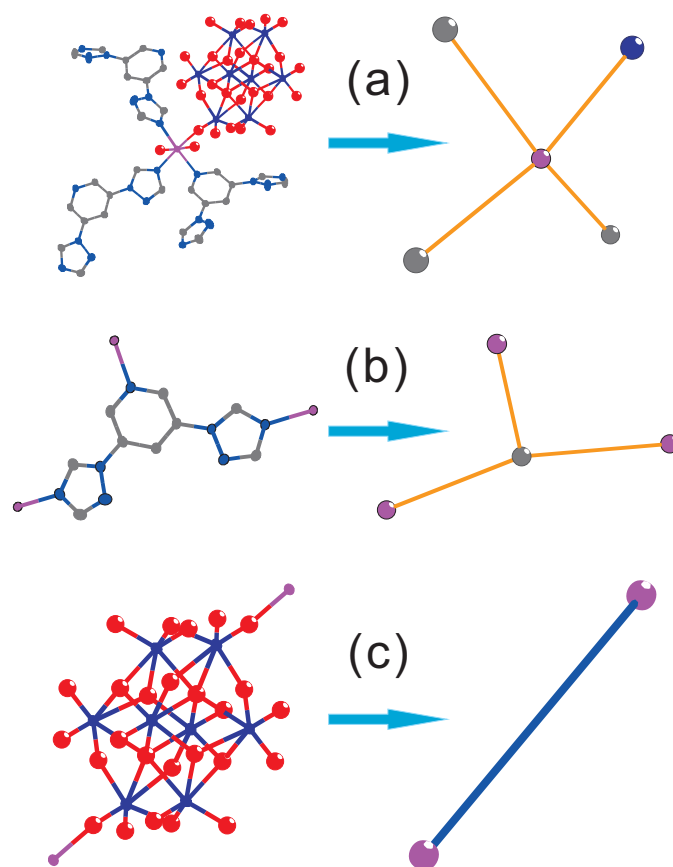


Figure S2: Abstracting the underlying topology in compound 1. (a) Co1 cation is regarded as a 4-connected node. (b) 3,5-bis(1',2',4'-triazol-1'-yl)pyridine ligand can be considered as a 3-connected node. (c) The $(\beta\text{-Mo}_8\text{O}_{26})^{4-}$ anion is considered as linkage.

Table S2: Selected bond lengths (Å) of compound 1

bond	length (Å)	bond	length (Å)
Mo3-O8	1.9599(17)	Co1-N7#2	2.140(2)
Mo3-O11	1.9325(17)	Co1-N4#3	2.230(2)
Mo3-O15#1	2.4065(16)	Co1-O1	2.0534(19)
Mo3-O15	2.0969(16)	O8-Mo4#1	2.2989(17)
Mo3-O9	1.6857(18)	O11-Mo2#1	2.3407(17)
Mo3-O10	1.7613(18)	O15-Mo3#1	2.4065(16)
Mo2-O8	2.0028(16)	O10-Mo1#1	2.2475(18)
Mo2-O11#1	2.3406(17)	N1-C2	1.324(3)
Mo2-O15	2.3495(16)	N1-C1	1.360(4)
Mo2-O5	1.8995(18)	N7-Co1#4	2.140(2)
Mo2-O6	1.6973(19)	N7-C8	1.359(3)
Mo2-O7	1.688(2)	N7-C9	1.320(3)
Mo1-O15	2.4691(16)	N3-N2	1.372(3)
Mo1-O14	1.9224(18)	N3-C2	1.332(3)
Mo1-O5	1.9045(18)	N3-C3	1.420(3)
Mo1-O3	1.7264(18)	N4-Co1#5	2.230(2)
Mo1-O10#1	2.2475(18)	N4-C6	1.341(3)
Mo1-O4	1.685(2)	N4-C7	1.338(3)
Mo4-O8#1	2.2989(17)	C6-C5	1.381(3)
Mo4-O11	1.9923(17)	N2-C1	1.312(4)
Mo4-O15	2.3234(16)	C8-N6	1.312(3)
Mo4-O14	1.8895(18)	C7-C3	1.383(3)
Mo4-O12	1.708(2)	N5-C9	1.335(3)
Mo4-O13	1.6956(19)	N5-C5	1.419(3)
Co1-O3	2.1624(18)	N5-N6	1.364(3)
Co1-N1	2.129(2)	C5-C4	1.384(3)
Co1-O2	2.0353(19)	C4-C3	1.382(3)

¹ #1: 1 - X, 1 - Y, 1 - Z; #2: 3/2 - X, 2 - Y, - 1/2 + Z;
#3: + X, 3/2 - Y, - 1/2 + Z; #4: 3/2 - X, 2 - Y, 1/2 + Z;
#5: + X, 3/2 - Y, 1/2 + Z.

Table S3: Selected angles (°) of compound **1**

angle	(°)	angle	(°)
O8–Mo3–O15	79.37(7)	N1–Co1–N4#2 ¹	174.88(8)
O8–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	76.85(6)	O2–Co1–O3	89.58(8)
O11–Mo3–O8	150.37(7)	O2–Co1–N1	89.93(9)
O11–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	78.18(6)	O2–Co1–N7#3 ¹	91.56(8)
O11–Mo3–O15	79.47(7)	O2–Co1–N4#2 ¹	89.10(8)
O15–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	76.39(6)	O2–Co1–O1	176.57(8)
O9–Mo3–O8	101.28(9)	N7#3–Co1–O3 ¹	174.28(7)
O9–Mo3–O11	102.86(9)	N7#3–Co1–N4#2 ¹	91.77(8)
O9–Mo3–O15	100.75(8)	O1–Co1–O3	87.16(8)
O9–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	176.79(8)	O1–Co1–N1	89.14(8)
O9–Mo3–O10	104.37(9)	O1–Co1–N7#3 ¹	91.79(8)
O10–Mo3–O8	93.65(8)	O1–Co1–N4#2 ¹	91.53(8)
O10–Mo3–O11	96.74(8)	Mo3–O8–Mo2	108.71(8)
O10–Mo3–O15	154.81(7)	Mo3–O8–Mo4#1 ¹	111.56(7)
O10–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	8.45(7)	Mo2–O8–Mo4#1 ¹	103.72(7)
O8–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	71.44(6)	Mo3–O11–Mo2#1 ¹	111.16(7)
O8–Mo2–O15	72.63(6)	Mo3–O11–Mo4	109.10(8)
O11#1–Mo2–O15 ¹	72.11(6)	Mo4–O11–Mo2#1 ¹	102.58(7)
O5–Mo2–O8	145.81(7)	Mo3–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	103.60(6)
O5–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	84.26(7)	Mo3–O15–Mo2	92.64(6)
O5–Mo2–O15	77.28(7)	Mo3#1–O15–Mo1 ¹	91.55(5)
O6–Mo2–O8	101.29(8)	Mo3–O15–Mo1	164.85(8)
O6–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	87.56(8)	Mo3–O15–Mo4	92.52(6)
O6–Mo2–O15	159.68(8)	Mo2–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	95.92(6)
O6–Mo2–O5	101.31(9)	Mo2–O15–Mo1	85.40(5)
O7–Mo2–O8	96.03(9)	Mo4–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	96.41(6)
O7–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	164.33(9)	Mo4–O15–Mo2	165.12(8)
O7–Mo2–O15	95.50(8)	Mo4–O15–Mo1	85.97(5)
O7–Mo2–O5	102.72(9)	Mo4–O14–Mo1	118.11(9)
O7–Mo2–O6	104.51(10)	Mo2–O5–Mo1	118.49(9)
O14–Mo1–O15	73.66(6)	Mo1–O3–Co1	168.91(11)
O14–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	76.64(7)	Mo3–O10–Mo1#1 ¹	120.81(9)
O5–Mo1–O15	74.20(6)	C2–N1–Co1	127.34(18)
O5–Mo1–O14	144.68(7)	C2–N1–C1	103.1(2)
O5–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	78.57(7)	C1–N1–Co1	129.45(17)
O3–Mo1–O15	94.11(7)	C8–N7–Co1#4 ¹	126.06(16)
O3–Mo1–O14	97.76(9)	C9–N7–Co1#4 ¹	129.59(17)
O3–Mo1–O5	98.77(8)	C9–N7–C8	103.3(2)
O3–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	163.19(8)	N2–N3–C3	120.1(2)

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angle	(°)	angle	(°)
O10#1–Mo1–O15 ¹	69.14(6)	C2–N3–N2	109.7(2)
O4–Mo1–O15	159.77(9)	C2–N3–C3	130.1(2)
O4–Mo1–O14	101.65(9)	C6–N4–Co1#5 ¹	115.65(15)
O4–Mo1–O5	103.39(10)	C7–N4–Co1#5 ¹	125.33(16)
O4–Mo1–O3	106.07(10)	C7–N4–C6	118.3(2)
O4–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	90.65(9)	N4–C6–C5	122.1(2)
O8#1–Mo4–O15 ¹	72.59(6)	C1–N2–N3	102.3(2)
O11–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	72.54(6)	N6–C8–N7	114.7(2)
O11–Mo4–O15	72.94(6)	N1–C2–N3	110.1(2)
O14–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	84.82(7)	N4–C7–C3	121.8(2)
O14–Mo4–O11	147.19(7)	N2–C1–N1	114.7(2)
O14–Mo4–O15	77.86(7)	C9–N5–C5	129.2(2)
O12–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	166.07(9)	C9–N5–N6	110.14(19)
O12–Mo4–O11	96.43(9)	N6–N5–C5	120.32(19)
O12–Mo4–O15	96.34(8)	N7–C9–N5	109.7(2)
O12–Mo4–O14	101.39(9)	C6–C5–N5	119.9(2)
O13–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	86.34(8)	C6–C5–C4	120.4(2)
O13–Mo4–O11	101.26(8)	C4–C5–N5	119.6(2)
O13–Mo4–O15	158.93(8)	C8–N6–N5	102.2(2)
O13–Mo4–O14	100.63(9)	C3–C4–C5	116.6(2)
O13–Mo4–O12	104.51(10)	C7–C3–N3	120.7(2)
O3–Co1–N4#2 ¹	82.64(7)	C4–C3–N3	118.5(2)
N1–Co1–O3	92.32(7)	C4–C3–C7	120.8(2)
N1–Co1–N7#3 ¹	93.29(8)		

¹ #1: 1 – X, 1 – Y, 1 – Z; #2: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z;
#3: + X, 3/2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z; #4: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, 1/2 + Z;
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3.2. Crystal Structure of Compound 2

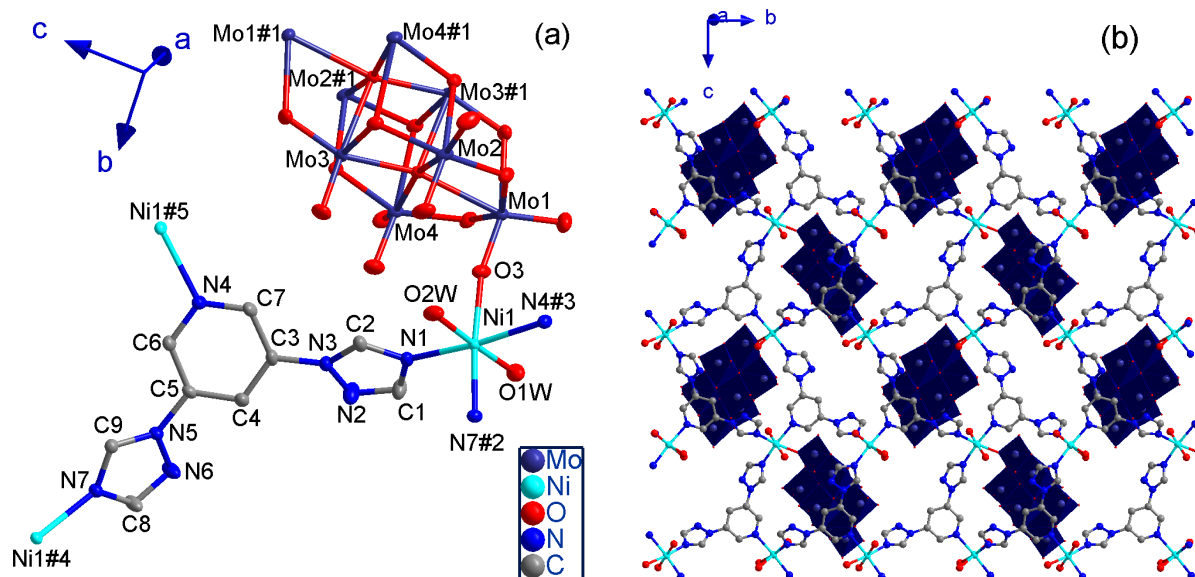


Figure S3: (a) Coordination environment (at 50 % probability level) of the Ni(II) centers in compound **2**. The hydrogen atoms and crystal water molecules are omitted for clarity. Symmetry codes for the generated atoms: #1: $2 - X, - Y, 1 - Z$; #2: $3/2 - X, 1 - Y, - 1/2 + Z$; #3: $+ X, 1/2 - Y, - 1/2 + Z$; #4: $3/2 - X, 1 - Y, 1/2 + Z$; #5: $+ X, 1/2 - Y, 1/2 + Z$. (b) Perspective view of the 3D framework in compound **2** along the *a*-axis.

Table S4: Selected bond lengths (Å) of compound **2**

bond	length (Å)	bond	length (Å)
Mo3–O11	1.9554(19)	Ni1–N1	2.082(2)
Mo3–O8	1.932(2)	Ni1–O1	2.052(2)
Mo3–O15#1	2.4020(18)	Ni1–N4#3	2.179(2)
Mo3–O15	2.0945(18)	O11–Mo2#1	2.3028(19)
Mo3–O9	1.686(2)	O8–Mo4#1	2.3378(19)
Mo3–O10	1.763(2)	O15–Mo3#1	2.4019(18)
Mo4–O11	2.0031(19)	O10–Mo1#1	2.248(2)
Mo4–O8#1	2.3379(19)	N7–Ni1#4	2.083(2)
Mo4–O15	2.3550(18)	N7–C9	1.322(3)
Mo4–O14	1.901(2)	N7–C8	1.371(4)
Mo4–O13	1.698(2)	N1–C2	1.329(4)
Mo4–O12	1.687(2)	N1–C1	1.365(4)
Mo1–O5	1.922(2)	N3–N2	1.372(4)
Mo1–O3	1.730(2)	N3–C2	1.337(4)
Mo1–O15	2.4641(18)	N3–C3	1.421(3)

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bond	length (Å)	bond	length (Å)
Mo1–O14	1.903(2)	N4–Ni1#5	2.179(2)
Mo1–O10#1	2.248(2)	N4–C7	1.343(3)
Mo1–O4	1.686(2)	N4–C6	1.344(3)
Mo2–O11#1	2.3027(19)	C9–N5	1.339(3)
Mo2–O8	1.994(2)	N2–C1	1.316(4)
Mo2–O5	1.887(2)	C7–C3	1.394(4)
Mo2–O15	2.3249(19)	C8–N6	1.311(4)
Mo2–O6	1.697(2)	N5–N6	1.367(3)
Mo2–O7	1.707(2)	N5–C5	1.417(3)
Ni1–O3	2.110(2)	C5–C6	1.385(4)
Ni1–N7#2	2.083(2)	C5–C4	1.385(4)
Ni1–O2	2.031(2)	C3–C4	1.381(4)

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#5: + X, 3/2 – Y, 1/2 + Z.

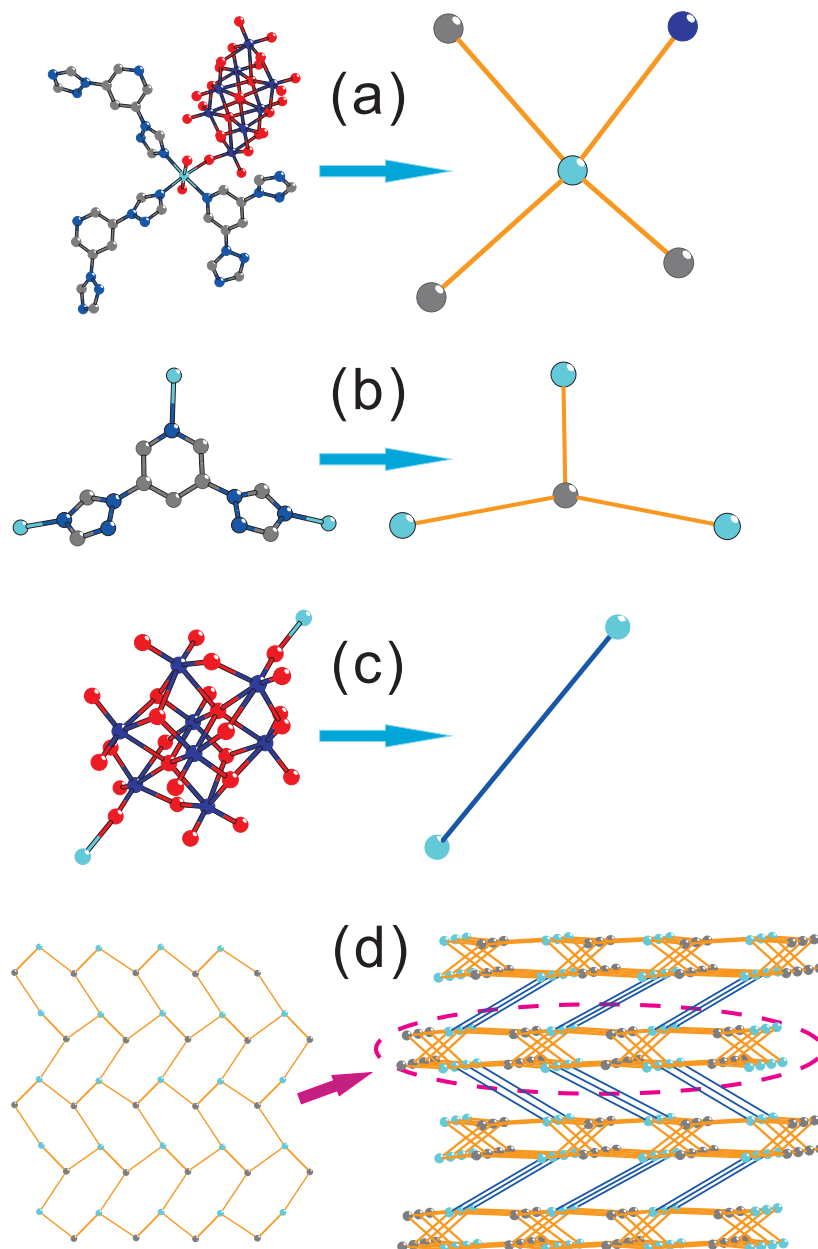


Figure S4: Abstracting the underlying topology in compound **2**. (a) Ni1 cation is regarded as a 4-connected node. (b) 3,5-Bis(1',2',4'-triazol-1'-yl)pyridine ligand can be considered as a 3-connected node. (c) The $(\beta\text{-Mo}_8\text{O}_{26})^{4-}$ anion is considered as linkage. (d) Schematic view of the 3D (3,4)-connected framework with the $(12)(6^3 \cdot 12^3)_2(6^3)_2$ topology in compound **2**. Color code: light green ball, 4-connected Ni(II) node; grey ball, 3-connected btap node; blue stick, $(\beta\text{-Mo}_8\text{O}_{26})^{4-}$ anion linkage.

Table S5: Selected angles (°) of compound **2**

angle	(°)	angle	(°)
O11–Mo3–O15	79.33(8)	O2–Ni1–O3	90.19(9)
O11–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	76.94(7)	O2–Ni1–N7#3 ¹	91.27(9)
O8–Mo3–O11	150.54(8)	O2–Ni1–N1	90.05(10)
O8–Mo3–O15	79.61(8)	O2–Ni1–O1	176.74(9)
O8–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	78.26(7)	O2–Ni1–N4#2 ¹	88.94(9)
O15–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	76.39(7)	N1–Ni1–O3	91.22(8)
O9–Mo3–O11	101.43(10)	N1–Ni1–N7#3 ¹	93.64(9)
O9–Mo3–O8	102.54(10)	N1–Ni1–N4#2 ¹	174.49(9)
O9–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	176.87(9)	O1–Ni1–O3	86.68(9)
O9–Mo3–O15	100.73(9)	O1–Ni1–N7#3 ¹	91.93(9)
O9–Mo3–O10	104.28(10)	O1–Ni1–N1	89.11(9)
O10–Mo3–O11	93.78(9)	O1–Ni1–N4#2 ¹	91.60(9)
O10–Mo3–O8	96.64(9)	Mo3–O11–Mo4	109.09(9)
O10–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	78.56(8)	Mo3–O11–Mo2#1 ¹	111.56(8)
O10–Mo3–O15	154.92(8)	Mo4–O11–Mo2#1 ¹	103.50(8)
O11–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	71.54(7)	Mo3–O8–Mo4#1 ¹	111.24(8)
O11–Mo4–O15	72.32(7)	Mo3–O8–Mo2	108.98(9)
O8#1–Mo4–O15 ¹	72.03(7)	Mo2–O8–Mo4#1 ¹	102.56(8)
O14–Mo4–O11	145.54(8)	Mo2–O5–Mo1	118.05(10)
O14–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	84.21(8)	Mo1–O3–Ni1	167.07(13)
O14–Mo4–O15	77.17(8)	Mo3–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	103.61(7)
O13–Mo4–O11	101.67(9)	Mo3–O15–Mo4	92.70(7)
O13–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	87.60(9)	Mo3–O15–Mo1	164.74(9)
O13–Mo4–O15	159.63(9)	Mo3#1–O15–Mo1 ¹	91.65(6)
O13–Mo4–O14	101.37(10)	Mo3–O15–Mo2	92.50(7)
O12–Mo4–O11	95.86(10)	Mo4–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	95.87(7)
O12–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	164.32(10)	Mo4–O15–Mo1	85.36(6)
O12–Mo4–O15	95.60(9)	Mo2–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	96.49(7)
O12–Mo4–O14	102.78(10)	Mo2–O15–Mo4	165.07(9)
O12–Mo4–O13	104.46(12)	Mo2–O15–Mo1	85.94(6)
O5–Mo1–O15	73.79(7)	Mo4–O14–Mo1	118.40(10)
O5–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	76.84(8)	Mo3–O10–Mo1#1 ¹	120.50(10)
O3–Mo1–O5	97.67(10)	C9–N7–Ni1#4 ¹	129.58(19)
O3–Mo1–O15	93.86(8)	C9–N7–C8	103.6(2)
O3–Mo1–O14	98.74(9)	C8–N7–Ni1#4 ¹	125.88(19)
O3–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	163.05(9)	C2–N1–Ni1	127.3(2)
O14–Mo1–O5	144.97(8)	C2–N1–C1	103.6(2)
O14–Mo1–O15	74.41(7)	C1–N1–Ni1	128.97(19)
O14–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	78.50(8)	N2–N3–C3	119.8(2)

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angle	(°)	angle	(°)
O10#1–Mo1–O15 ¹	69.24(7)	C2–N3–N2	110.1(2)
O4–Mo1–O5	101.33(11)	C2–N3–C3	130.1(3)
O4–Mo1–O3	106.13(11)	C7–N4–Ni1#5 ¹	124.91(19)
O4–Mo1–O15	159.95(10)	C7–N4–C6	118.8(2)
O4–Mo1–O14	103.49(11)	C6–N4–Ni1#5 ¹	115.64(18)
O4–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	90.74(10)	N7–C9–N5	109.4(2)
O11#1–Mo2–O15 ¹	72.40(6)	C1–N2–N3	102.6(3)
O8–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	72.47(7)	N1–C2–N3	109.5(3)
O8–Mo2–O15	72.94(7)	N4–C7–C3	121.0(2)
O5–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	84.91(8)	N6–C8–N7	114.1(3)
O5–Mo2–O8	147.23(8)	N2–C1–N1	114.3(3)
O5–Mo2–O15	77.85(8)	C9–N5–N6	110.2(2)
O6–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	86.35(9)	C9–N5–C5	129.1(2)
O6–Mo2–O8	101.52(10)	N6–N5–C5	120.4(2)
O6–Mo2–O5	100.32(10)	C8–N6–N5	102.7(2)
O6–Mo2–O15	158.75(9)	C6–C5–N5	119.7(2)
O6–Mo2–O7	104.70(12)	C4–C5–N5	119.7(2)
O7–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	165.73(10)	C4–C5–C6	120.5(2)
O7–Mo2–O8	96.14(10)	N4–C6–C5	121.9(2)
O7–Mo2–O5	101.59(10)	C7–C3–N3	119.8(2)
O7–Mo2–O15	96.36(10)	C4–C3–N3	119.1(2)
O3–Ni1–N4#2 ¹	83.36(8)	C4–C3–C7	121.1(2)
N7#3–Ni1–O3 ¹	174.92(9)	C3–C4–C5	116.6(3)
N7#3–Ni1–N4#2 ¹	91.80(9)		

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#3: + X, 3/2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z; #4: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, 1/2 + Z;
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3.3. Crystal Structure of Compound **3**

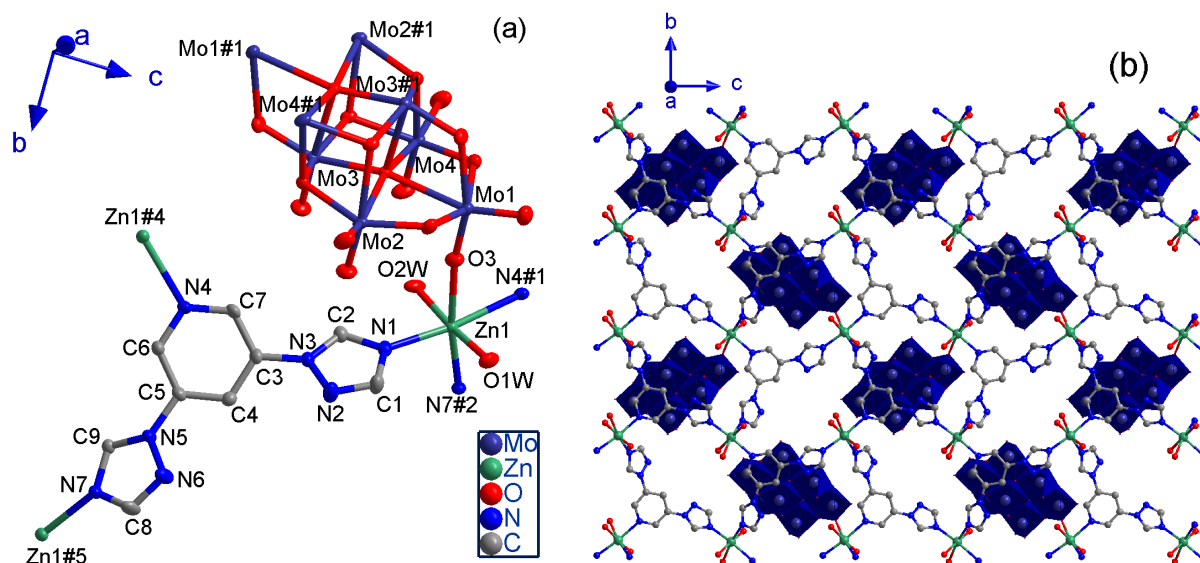


Figure S5: (a) Coordination environment (at 50 % probability level) of the Zn(II) centers in compound **3**. The hydrogen atoms and crystal water molecules are omitted for clarity. Symmetry codes for the generated atoms: #1: $2 - X, - Y, 1 - Z$; #2: $3/2 - X, 1 - Y, - 1/2 + Z$; #3: $+ X, 1/2 - Y, - 1/2 + Z$; #4: $3/2 - X, 1 - Y, 1/2 + Z$; #5: $+ X, 1/2 - Y, 1/2 + Z$. (b) Perspective view of the 3D framework in compound **3** along the *a*-axis.

Table S6: Selected bond lengths (Å) of compound **3**

bond	length (Å)	bond	length (Å)
Mo3–O11	1.9554(19)	Zn1–N1	2.082(2)
Mo3–O8	1.932(2)	Zn1–O1	2.052(2)
Mo3–O15#1	2.4020(18)	Zn1–N4#3	2.179(2)
Mo3–O15	2.0945(18)	O11–Mo2#1	2.3028(19)
Mo3–O9	1.686(2)	O8–Mo4#1	2.3378(19)
Mo3–O10	1.763(2)	O15–Mo3#1	2.4019(18)
Mo4–O11	2.0031(19)	O10–Mo1#1	2.248(2)
Mo4–O8#1	2.3379(19)	N7–Zn1#4	2.083(2)
Mo4–O15	2.3550(18)	N7–C9	1.322(3)
Mo4–O14	1.901(2)	N7–C8	1.371(4)
Mo4–O13	1.698(2)	N1–C2	1.329(4)
Mo4–O12	1.687(2)	N1–C1	1.365(4)
Mo1–O5	1.922(2)	N3–N2	1.372(4)
Mo1–O3	1.730(2)	N3–C2	1.337(4)
Mo1–O15	2.4641(18)	N3–C3	1.421(3)

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bond	length (Å)	bond	length (Å)
Mo1–O14	1.903(2)	N4–Zn1#5	2.179(2)
Mo1–O10#1	2.248(2)	N4–C7	1.343(3)
Mo1–O4	1.686(2)	N4–C6	1.344(3)
Mo2–O11#1	2.3027(19)	C9–N5	1.339(3)
Mo2–O8	1.994(2)	N2–C1	1.316(4)
Mo2–O5	1.887(2)	C7–C3	1.394(4)
Mo2–O15	2.3249(19)	C8–N6	1.311(4)
Mo2–O6	1.697(2)	N5–N6	1.367(3)
Mo2–O7	1.707(2)	N5–C5	1.417(3)
Zn1–O3	2.110(2)	C5–C6	1.385(4)
Zn1–N7#2	2.083(2)	C5–C4	1.385(4)
Zn1–O2	2.031(2)	C3–C4	1.381(4)

¹ #1: 1 – X, 1 – Y, 1 – Z; #2: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z;
#3: + X, 3/2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z; #4: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, 1/2 + Z;
#5: + X, 3/2 – Y, 1/2 + Z.

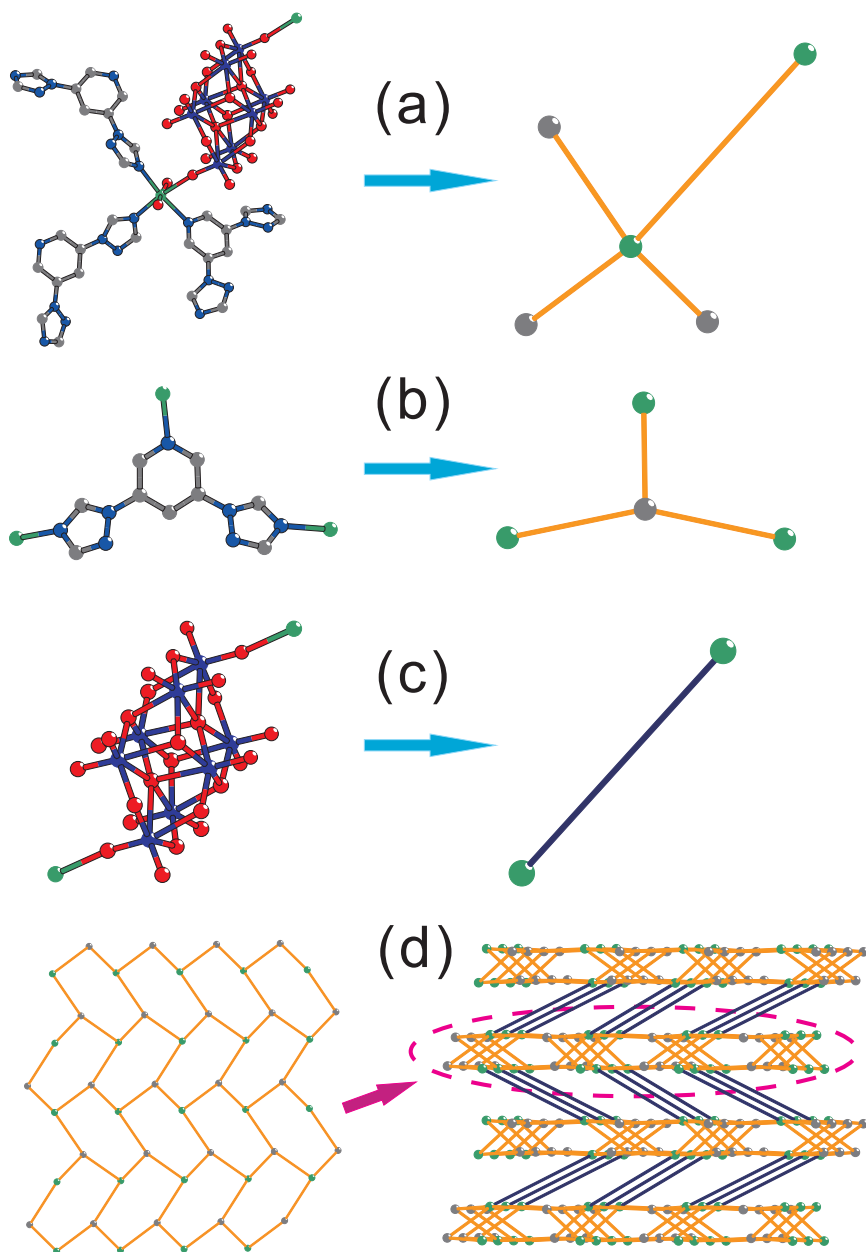


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Table S7: Selected angles (°) of compound **3**

angle	(°)	angle	(°)
O11–Mo3–O15	79.33(8)	O2–Zn1–O3	90.19(9)
O11–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	76.94(7)	O2–Zn1–N7#3 ¹	91.27(9)
O8–Mo3–O11	150.54(8)	O2–Zn1–N1	90.05(10)
O8–Mo3–O15	79.61(8)	O2–Zn1–O1	176.74(9)
O8–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	78.26(7)	O2–Zn1–N4#2 ¹	88.94(9)
O15–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	76.39(7)	N1–Zn1–O3	91.22(8)
O9–Mo3–O11	101.43(10)	N1–Zn1–N7#3 ¹	93.64(9)
O9–Mo3–O8	102.54(10)	N1–Zn1–N4#2 ¹	174.49(9)
O9–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	176.87(9)	O1–Zn1–O3	86.68(9)
O9–Mo3–O15	100.73(9)	O1–Zn1–N7#3 ¹	91.93(9)
O9–Mo3–O10	104.28(10)	O1–Zn1–N1	89.11(9)
O10–Mo3–O11	93.78(9)	O1–Zn1–N4#2 ¹	91.60(9)
O10–Mo3–O8	96.64(9)	Mo3–O11–Mo4	109.09(9)
O10–Mo3–O15#1 ¹	78.56(8)	Mo3–O11–Mo2#1 ¹	111.56(8)
O10–Mo3–O15	154.92(8)	Mo4–O11–Mo2#1 ¹	103.50(8)
O11–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	71.54(7)	Mo3–O8–Mo4#1 ¹	111.24(8)
O11–Mo4–O15	72.32(7)	Mo3–O8–Mo2	108.98(9)
O8#1–Mo4–O15 ¹	72.03(7)	Mo2–O8–Mo4#1 ¹	102.56(8)
O14–Mo4–O11	145.54(8)	Mo2–O5–Mo1	118.05(10)
O14–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	84.21(8)	Mo1–O3–Zn1	167.07(13)
O14–Mo4–O15	77.17(8)	Mo3–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	103.61(7)
O13–Mo4–O11	101.67(9)	Mo3–O15–Mo4	92.70(7)
O13–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	87.60(9)	Mo3–O15–Mo1	164.74(9)
O13–Mo4–O15	159.63(9)	Mo3#1–O15–Mo1 ¹	91.65(6)
O13–Mo4–O14	101.37(10)	Mo3–O15–Mo2	92.50(7)
O12–Mo4–O11	95.86(10)	Mo4–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	95.87(7)
O12–Mo4–O8#1 ¹	164.32(10)	Mo4–O15–Mo1	85.36(6)
O12–Mo4–O15	95.60(9)	Mo2–O15–Mo3#1 ¹	96.49(7)
O12–Mo4–O14	102.78(10)	Mo2–O15–Mo4	165.07(9)
O12–Mo4–O13	104.46(12)	Mo2–O15–Mo1	85.94(6)
O5–Mo1–O15	73.79(7)	Mo4–O14–Mo1	118.40(10)
O5–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	76.84(8)	Mo3–O10–Mo1#1 ¹	120.50(10)
O3–Mo1–O5	97.67(10)	C9–N7–Zn1#4 ¹	129.58(19)
O3–Mo1–O15	93.86(8)	C9–N7–C8	103.6(2)
O3–Mo1–O14	98.74(9)	C8–N7–Zn1#4 ¹	125.88(19)
O3–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	163.05(9)	C2–N1–Zn1	127.3(2)
O14–Mo1–O5	144.97(8)	C2–N1–C1	103.6(2)
O14–Mo1–O15	74.41(7)	C1–N1–Zn1	128.97(19)
O14–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	78.50(8)	N2–N3–C3	119.8(2)

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angle	(°)	angle	(°)
O10#1–Mo1–O15 ¹	69.24(7)	C2–N3–N2	110.1(2)
O4–Mo1–O5	101.33(11)	C2–N3–C3	130.1(3)
O4–Mo1–O3	106.13(11)	C7–N4–Zn1#5 ¹	124.91(19)
O4–Mo1–O15	159.95(10)	C7–N4–C6	118.8(2)
O4–Mo1–O14	103.49(11)	C6–N4–Zn1#5 ¹	115.64(18)
O4–Mo1–O10#1 ¹	90.74(10)	N7–C9–N5	109.4(2)
O11#1–Mo2–O15 ¹	72.40(6)	C1–N2–N3	102.6(3)
O8–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	72.47(7)	N1–C2–N3	109.5(3)
O8–Mo2–O15	72.94(7)	N4–C7–C3	121.0(2)
O5–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	84.91(8)	N6–C8–N7	114.1(3)
O5–Mo2–O8	147.23(8)	N2–C1–N1	114.3(3)
O5–Mo2–O15	77.85(8)	C9–N5–N6	110.2(2)
O6–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	86.35(9)	C9–N5–C5	129.1(2)
O6–Mo2–O8	101.52(10)	N6–N5–C5	120.4(2)
O6–Mo2–O5	100.32(10)	C8–N6–N5	102.7(2)
O6–Mo2–O15	158.75(9)	C6–C5–N5	119.7(2)
O6–Mo2–O7	104.70(12)	C4–C5–N5	119.7(2)
O7–Mo2–O11#1 ¹	165.73(10)	C4–C5–C6	120.5(2)
O7–Mo2–O8	96.14(10)	N4–C6–C5	121.9(2)
O7–Mo2–O5	101.59(10)	C7–C3–N3	119.8(2)
O7–Mo2–O15	96.36(10)	C4–C3–N3	119.1(2)
O3–Zn1–N4#2 ¹	83.36(8)	C4–C3–C7	121.1(2)
N7#3–Zn1–O3 ¹	174.92(9)	C3–C4–C5	116.6(3)
N7#3–Zn1–N4#2 ¹	91.80(9)		

¹ #1: 1 – X, 1 – Y, 1 – Z; #2: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z;
#3: + X, 3/2 – Y, – 1/2 + Z; #4: 3/2 – X, 2 – Y, 1/2 + Z;
#5: + X, 3/2 – Y, 1/2 + Z.

4. PXRD, FT-IR, Raman and TGA

Only large crystals of these POMOFs were manually selected through a microscope for characterization and electrochemical experiments. The PXRD patterns of compounds **1**, **2** and **3**, and the thermal derivatives of compounds **1** and **2**, were shown in Fig. S7, S11 and S12, respectively. All reflection peaks of compounds **1**, **2** and **3** were in good agreement with the corresponding simulated patterns without additional peaks, indicating the high purity of these compounds. The difference in intensities could be due to the preferred orientation in the powder samples.

In the FT-IR spectra of compounds **1**, **2** and **3** (Fig. S8), the peaks in a low wavenumber region of 957 – 550 cm⁻¹ were assigned to Mo–O–Mo of the (β -Mo₈O₂₆)⁴⁻ polyoxoanion.

The bands at 1700 – 1300 cm^{-1} can be ascribed to the stretching vibrations of ν_{as} (C=C) and ν_{as} (C=N) in btap ligand. Vibrational absorption of C=N in btap ligand appeared near 730 cm^{-1} . The broad absorption peaks near 3400 cm^{-1} should be attributed to the vibration of ν (OH) of water molecules. The FT-IR spectra of the thermal derivatives of compounds **1** and **2** were shown in Fig. S13.

TGA in N_2 atmosphere with a heating rate of 10 $^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$ was employed to investigate the thermal stability of the POMOFs. The TG curve of compound **1** (Fig. S10(a)) showed a weight loss of 7.1 % below 340 $^\circ\text{C}$, attributable to the loss of lattice and coordinated water molecules, and in the range of 340 – 606 $^\circ\text{C}$, 38.8 % of the weight loss could be attributed to the framework collapse of compound **1**, except that weight gain began at 606 $^\circ\text{C}$, as cobalt tetroxide and cobalt trioxide gradually decomposed into denser cobalt(II) oxide. As illustrated in Fig. S10(b), the weight loss of 8.0 % within the temperature range of 56 – 350 $^\circ\text{C}$ can be attributed to the loss of lattice and coordination water molecules. In the temperature range of 350 – 574 $^\circ\text{C}$, a weight loss of 39.2 % can be attributed to the skeleton collapse of compound **2**, resulting in the formation of molybdenum and nickel oxides as the final products. Similarly, 8.9 % of the weight loss of compound **3** (Fig. S10(c)) in the temperature range of 50 – 310 $^\circ\text{C}$ was attributed to the loss of water molecules, and 41.3 % of the weight loss in the range of 310 – 740 $^\circ\text{C}$ can be attributed to the collapse of the skeleton of compound **3**, with molybdenum oxide and zinc oxide as the final products.

The phase compositions of Co/Ni-POMOF-T were determined by PXRD. As shown in Fig. 2(a), for Co-POMOF-700, three peaks of Mo_2N (JCPDS no. 25-1626) at 37.1 $^\circ$, 43.1 $^\circ$ and 62.6 $^\circ$ were indexed to (1 1 1), (2 0 0) and (2 2 0) lattice diffraction planes. In addition, there existed another material phase of Mo_2N (JCPDS no. 24-0768), whose diffraction peaks were mainly located at 37.9 $^\circ$ (1 1 2 plane), 40.1 $^\circ$ (1 0 3 plane), 45.3 $^\circ$ (0 0 4 plane), 62.6 $^\circ$ (2 2 0 plane) and 75.3 $^\circ$ (3 1 2 plane). The diffraction peaks of $\text{Co}_3\text{Mo}_3\text{N}$ were mainly distributed at 35.5 $^\circ$ (3 3 1 plane), 40.0 $^\circ$ (4 2 2 plane), 42.6 $^\circ$ (5 1 1 plane), 46.6 $^\circ$ (4 4 0 plane), 55.2 $^\circ$ (6 2 2 plane), 59.8 $^\circ$ (5 5 1 plane), 69.7 $^\circ$ (7 3 3 plane), 72.7 $^\circ$ (8 2 2 plane) and 77.3 $^\circ$ (8 4 0 plane), indicating the existed $\text{Co}_3\text{Mo}_3\text{N}$ species in Co-POMOF-700. Furthermore, the peaks of Mo_2C were located at 34.5 $^\circ$ (1 0 0 plane), 38 $^\circ$ (0 0 2 plane), 39.6 $^\circ$ (1 0 1 plane), 52.3 $^\circ$ (1 0 2 plane), 61.9 $^\circ$ (1 1 0 plane), 69.8 $^\circ$ (1 0 3 plane), 75 $^\circ$ (1 1 2 plane) and 76 $^\circ$ (2 0 1 plane). Nevertheless, Co-POMOF-800/900/1000 were different from Co-POMOF-700, consisting of MoO_2 (JCPDS no. 25-1626), $\text{Co}_2\text{Mo}_3\text{N}$ (JCPDS no. 09-6417) and Mo_2N (JCPDS no. 25-1626) (Fig. S11).

As shown in Fig. S12(a), Ni-POMOF-900 contained mainly four types of phases, consisting of Mo, Mo_2C , $\text{Ni}_2\text{Mo}_3\text{N}$ and Mo_2N , in addition to small amounts of MoO_2 . The diffraction peaks of Mo_2N (JCPDS no. 25-1626) were 37.17 $^\circ$ (1 1 1 plane), 41.1 $^\circ$ (2 0 0 plane) and 62.6 $^\circ$ (2 2 0 plane). Furthermore, the peak intensity of Mo_2N was low, indicating a lower content. The diffraction peaks of $\text{Ni}_2\text{Mo}_3\text{N}$ (JCPDS no. 89-4564) were mainly distributed at 30.1 $^\circ$ (2 1 0 plane), 40.8 $^\circ$ (2 2 1 plane), 43.1 $^\circ$ (3 1 0 plane), 45.3 $^\circ$ (3 1 1 plane), 59.1 $^\circ$ (3 3 0 plane), 66 $^\circ$ (3 3 2 plane), 69.3 $^\circ$ (4 2 2 plane), 71 $^\circ$ (4 3 0 plane), 72.6 $^\circ$ (5 1 0 plane) and 77.4 $^\circ$ (5 2 0 plane). The peaks of Mo_2C (JCPDS no. 65-8766) were located at 34.5 $^\circ$ (1 0 0 plane), 38 $^\circ$ (0 0 2 plane), 39.6 $^\circ$ (1 0 1 plane), 52.3 $^\circ$ (1 0 2 plane), 61.9 $^\circ$ (1 1 0 plane), 69.8 $^\circ$ (1 0 3 plane), 75 $^\circ$ (1 1 2 plane) and 76 $^\circ$ (2 0 1 plane). Fig. S12(b) showed the

PXRD patterns of Ni-POMOF-700/800 including MoO₂, Ni₂Mo₃N and Mo₂C. However, Ni-POMOF-1000 did not exhibit Ni₂Mo₃N phase, but only the most significant peaks of MoO₂ phase, which may be the result of the high pyrolysis temperature, causing the destruction of the phase into amorphous [13, 14]. The Si peaks (Fig. S11 and S12(b)) were from the silicon substrates used for the PXRD experiments.

The Raman spectra of compounds **1**, **2** and **3**, and the thermal derivatives of compounds **1** and **2**, were shown in Fig. S9, S14 and S15, respectively. The D₁ band generally represented the defects and distortion of the carbon layer, while the G band indicated the degree of crystalline and graphitization [15]. Besides, the deconvoluted Raman spectra also included the presence of D₅, D₄, D₃ and D₂ bands at 1210, 1420, 1510 and 1770 cm⁻¹ (Table S8) [15], respectively. The integrated ratio of D₁ and G band (I_{D1}/I_G) indicated the degree of defects on the carbon layer of the composites, and I_G/I_{All} represented the degree of graphitization. Usually, the value of I_{D1}/I_G increased with the pyrolysis temperature, denoting that the degree of collapse of the compounds increased. It was observed that the I_{D1}/I_G values of the thermal derivatives corresponding to Co-POMOF at 700, 800 and 900 °C were 1.043, 1.046 and 1.073, respectively, which implies that the degree of defects did not differ much (Fig. S14(a – c)). The I_{D1}/I_G value of Co-POMOF-1000 was 0.775 (Fig. S14(d)), which showed a significant decrease in the degree of defects. The value of I_G/I_{All} for Co-POMOF-T increased with the pyrolysis temperature, which indicated that the degree of graphitization increased. However, the value of I_G/I_{All} for Ni-POMOF-900 was 0.168 (Fig. S15), suggesting that it was the least graphitized in Ni-POMOF-T.

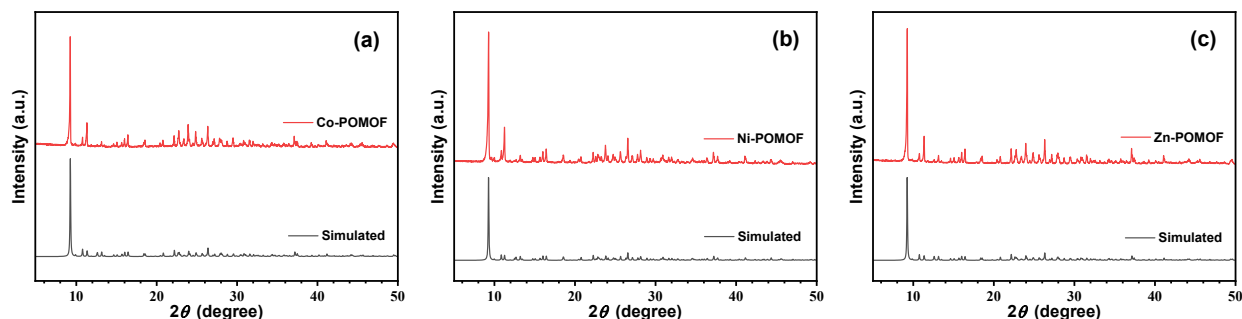


Figure S7: The experimental PXRD patterns versus the simulated patterns of compounds (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3**.

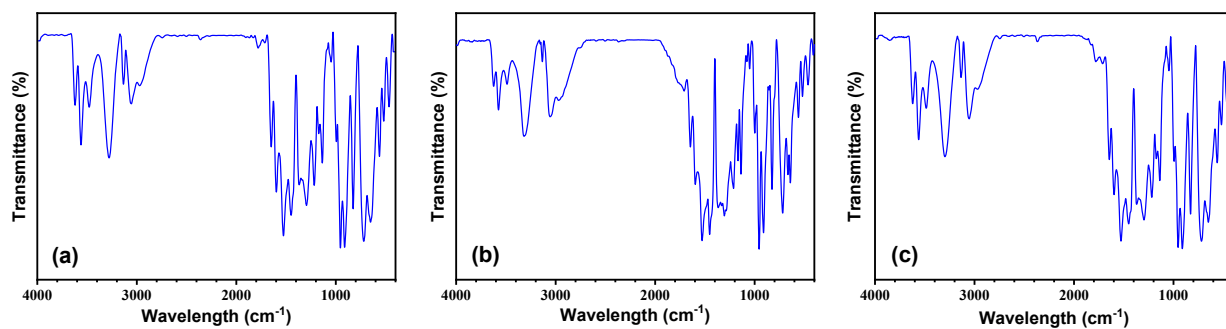


Figure S8: FT-IR spectra of (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3**.

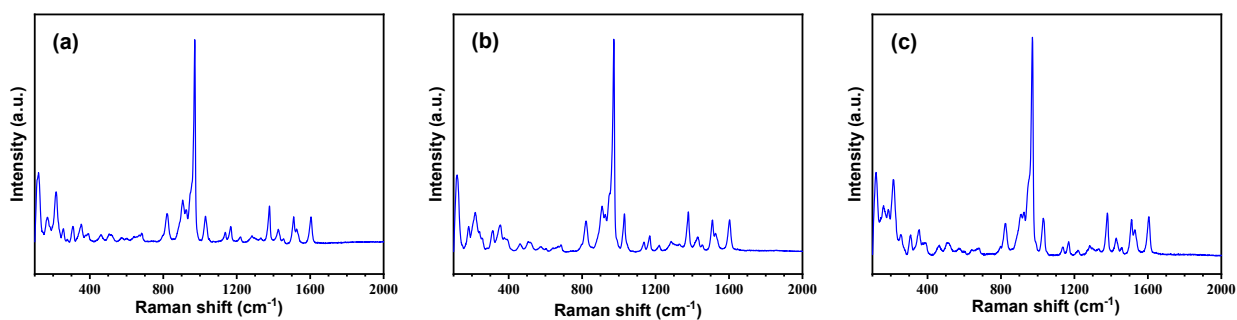


Figure S9: Raman spectra of (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3**.

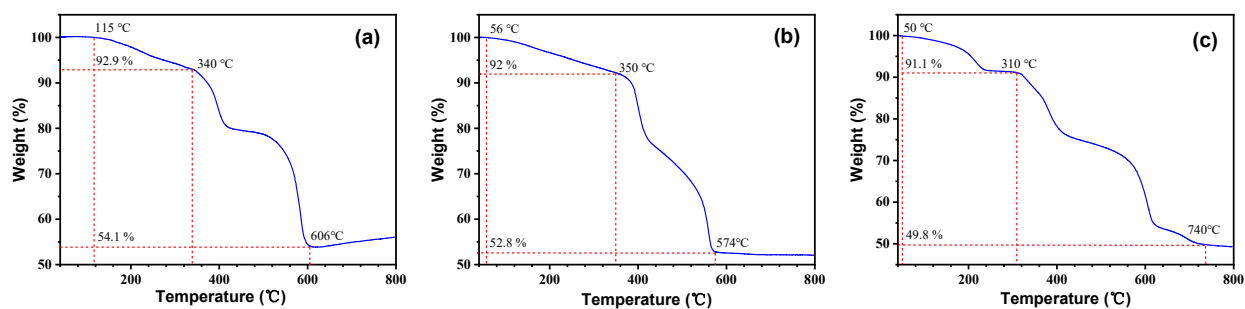


Figure S10: TG curves of (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3**.

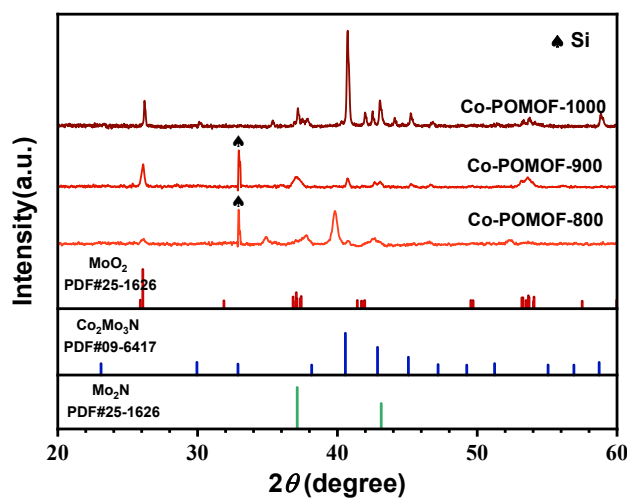


Figure S11: PXRD patterns of Co-POMOF-800, Co-POMOF-900 and Co-POMOF-1000.

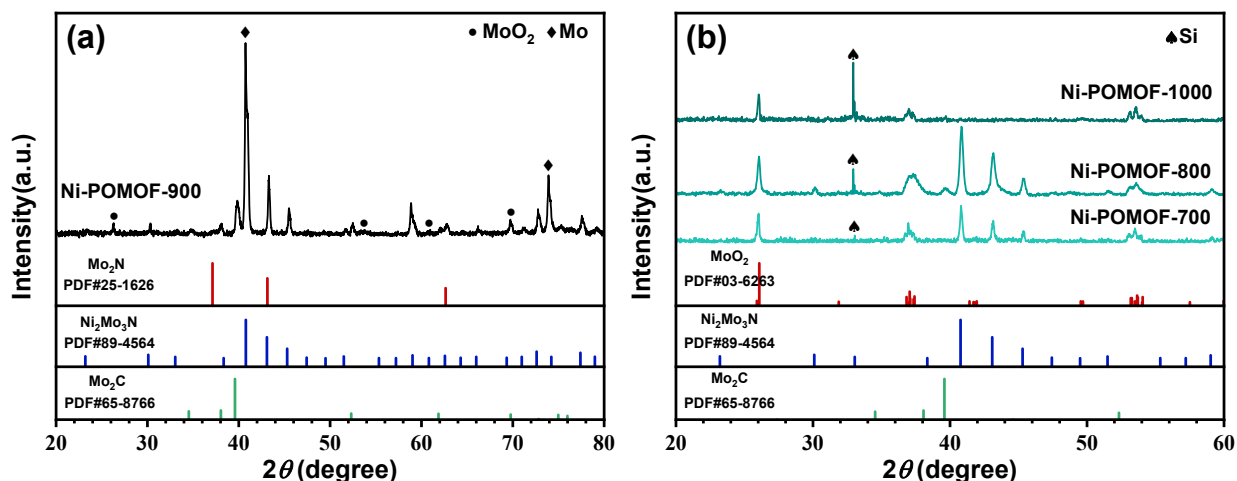


Figure S12: PXRD patterns of (a) Ni-POMOF-900, and (b) Ni-POMOF-700, Ni-POMOF-800 and Ni-POMOF-1000.

Table S8: The main functional groups determined by Raman spectroscopy and the deconvoluted Raman spectra

Band	Raman shift (cm^{-1})	Vibration mode ^a
D ₅	1190 – 1210	the disordered graphitic lattice
D ₁	1320 – 1340	in-plane imperfections in such as defects in graphitic lattice or graphene layers and heteroatoms [15]
D ₄	1400 – 1420	amorphous carbon (Gaussian line shape)
D ₃	1480 – 1510	amorphous carbon (Gaussian line shape) [16]
G	1580 – 1590	planar asymmetric stretching vibrations of C=C bonds (E_{2g} symmetry)
D ₂	1750 – 1770	amorphous carbon (Gaussian line shape)

^a Vibration mode from Co-POMOF-700/800/900 and Ni-POMOF-T.

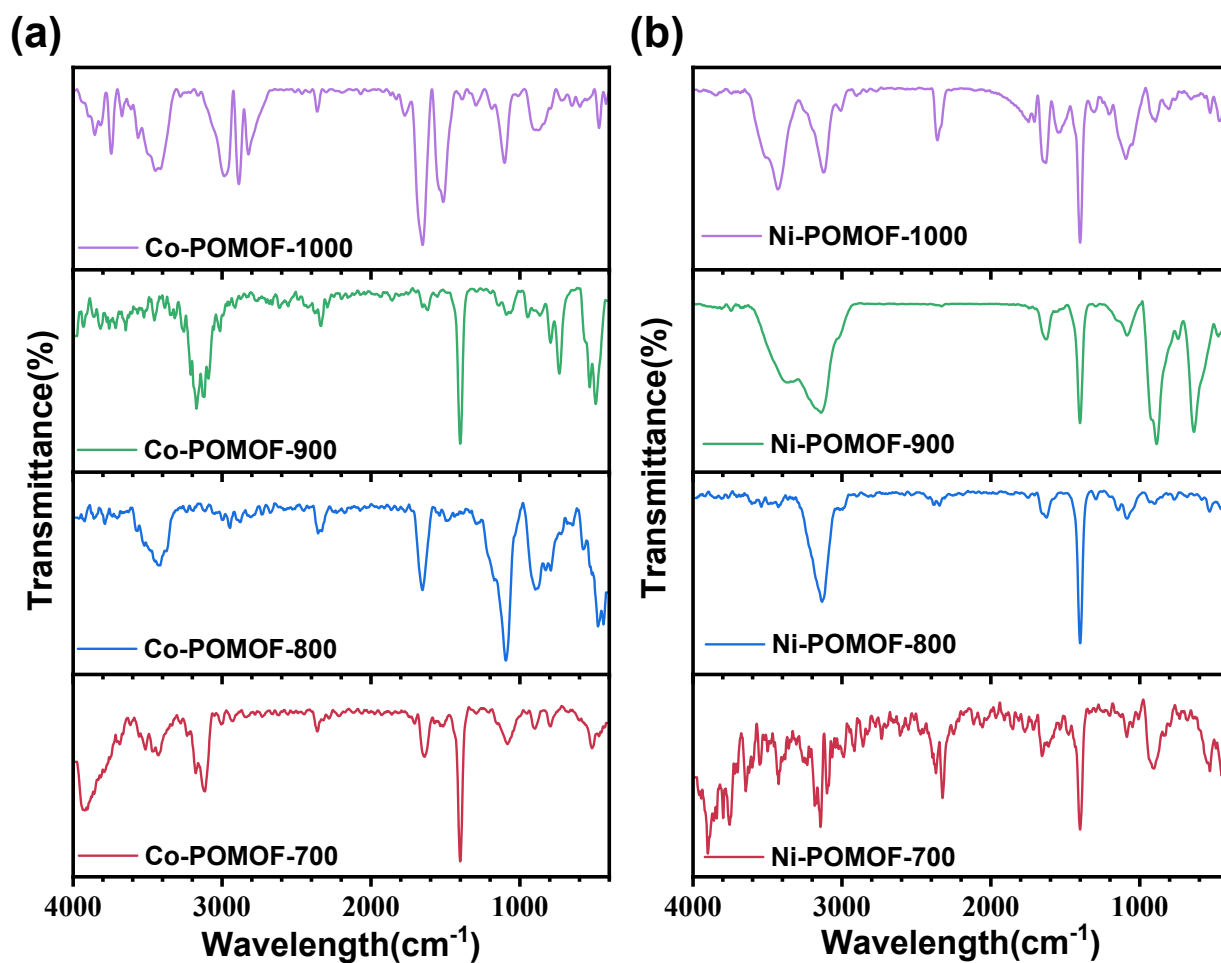


Figure S13: FT-IR spectra of (a) Co-POMOF-700, Co-POMOF-800, Co-POMOF-900 and Co-POMOF-1000, and (b) Ni-POMOF-700, Ni-POMOF-800, Ni-POMOF-900 and Ni-POMOF-1000.

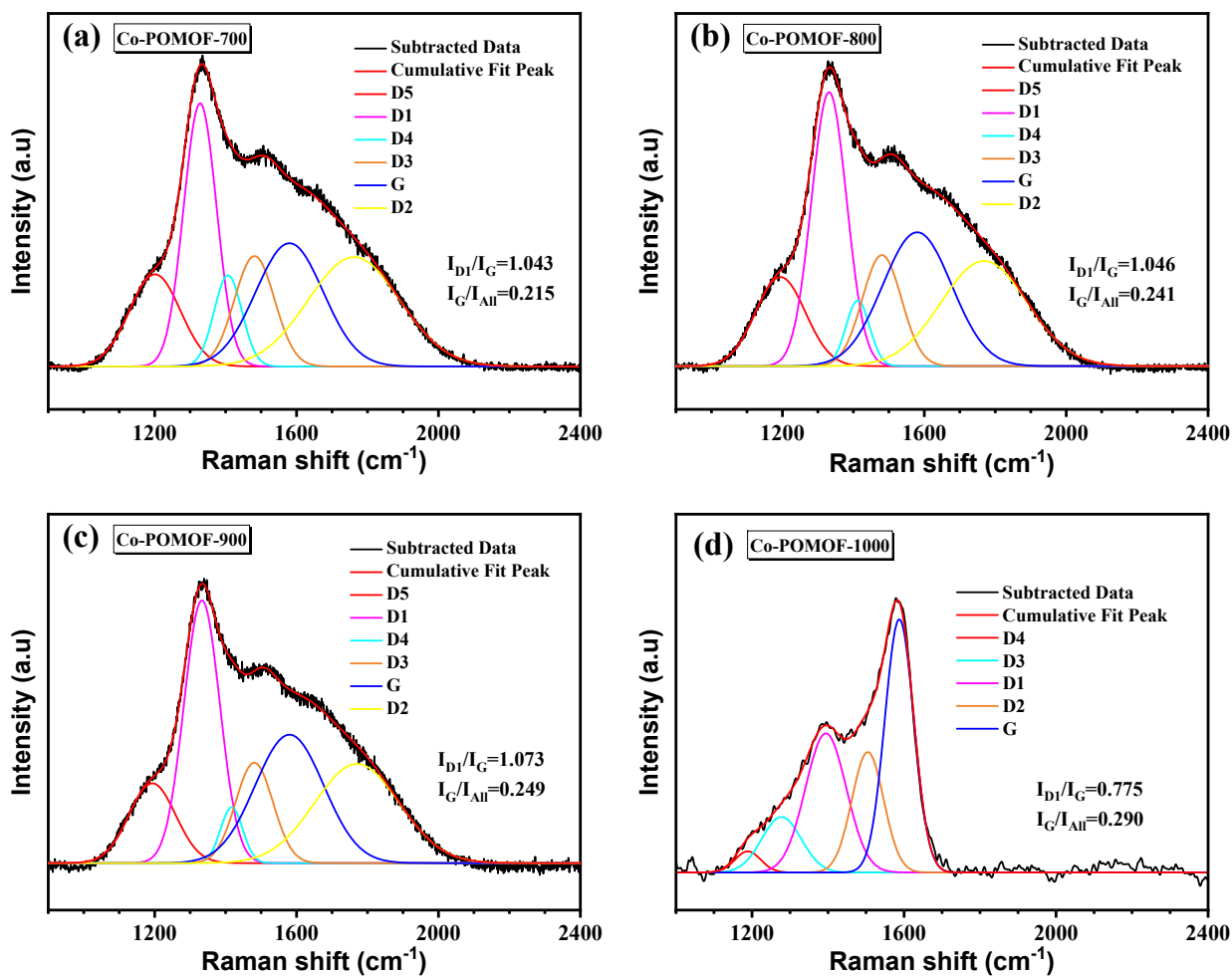


Figure S14: Raman spectra of (a) Co-POMOF-700, (b) Co-POMOF-800, (c) Co-POMOF-900 and (d) Co-POMOF-1000.

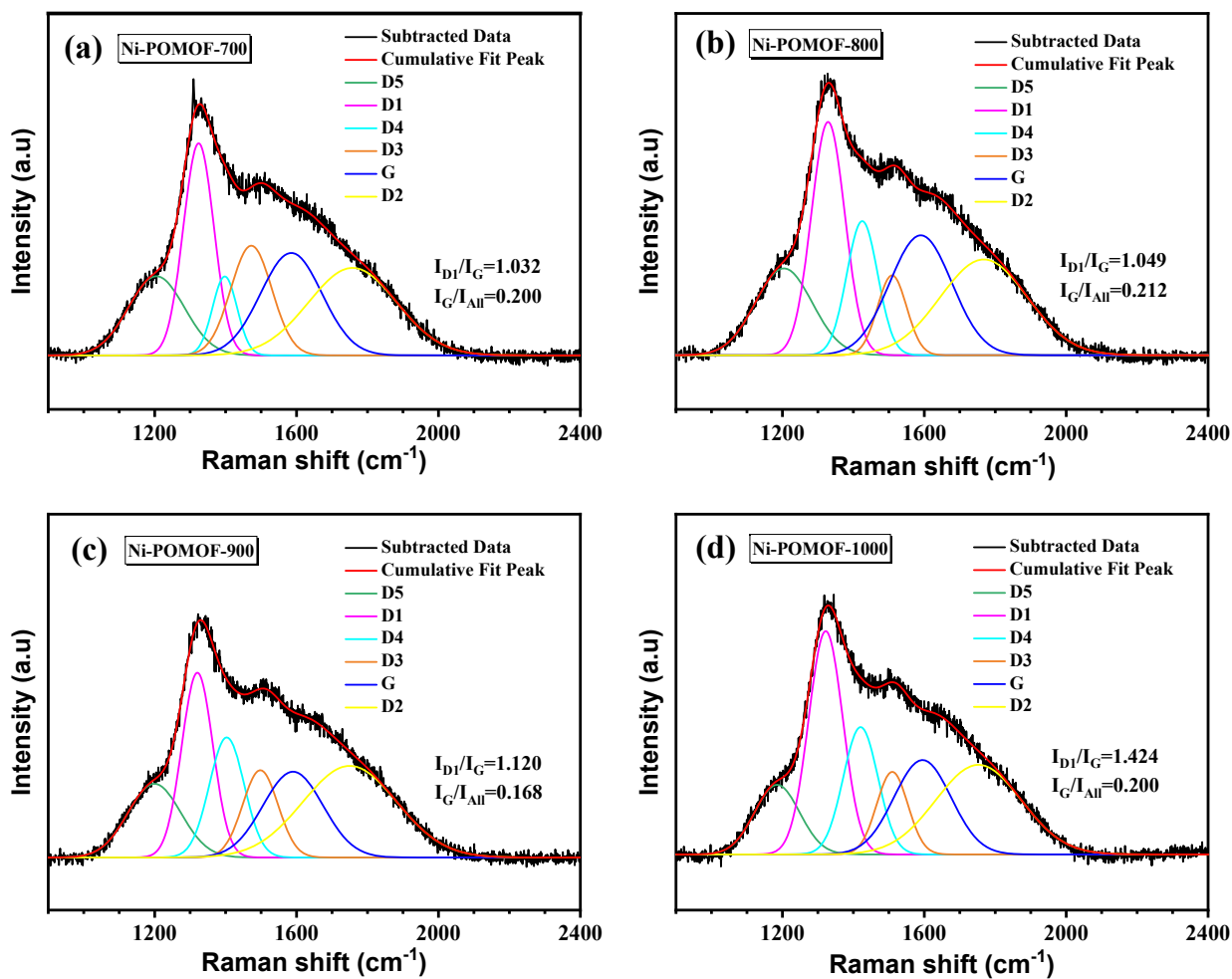


Figure S15: Raman spectra of (a) Ni-POMOF-700, (b) Ni-POMOF-800, (c) Ni-POMOF-900 and (d) Ni-POMOF-1000.

5. SEM, TEM and XPS

The catalysts prepared by Co-POMOF after calcination at 700 °C for 2 h showed a block structure with irregular shape and more nanoscale particles on the surface (Fig. S17(a,b)). In contrast, Ni-POMOF-900 had larger lumps and flatter surfaces, partly showing a distinct layer structure and fewer nanoscale particles on the surface (Fig. S17(c,d)).

Fig. S18(a – c) showed high resolution TEM images of Ni-POMOF-900. The lattice fringes with interlayer spacing of 0.245 nm was assigned to the (1 1 1 plane) of cubic Mo₂C structure (Fig. S18(b)), while the distances of 0.236 nm corresponded to the (0 0 2 plane) of hexagonal Mo₂C structure (Fig. S18(c)) [17]. In addition, four lattice fringes with lattice spacings of 0.221, 0.210, 0.242 and 0.212 nm were shown, corresponding to the (2 2 1) and (3 1 0) planes of Ni₂Mo₃N, and the (1 1 1) and (2 0 0) planes of Mo₂N, respectively (Fig. S18(b,c)). Fig. S18(d – i) showed the mapping images of Ni-POMOF-900. It can be seen that Ni, Mo, N, O and C elements were evenly distributed.

Through the analysis of OER performance of Co/Ni-POMOF-T series materials ($T = 700/800/900/1000$ °C), it was found that Co-POMOF-700 and Ni-POMOF-900 exhibited superior performance. As the calcination temperature of the Co/Ni-POMOF-T series materials increased, different inorganic compounds and phase transitions were observed. For example, Co₃Mo₃N in Co-POMOF-700 gradually transformed into Co₂Mo₃N with increasing temperature. This phase transition directly impacted the catalytic performance, possibly due to the lower catalytic activity of Co₂Mo₃N phase, while Co₃Mo₃N phase demonstrated better catalytic performance in OER. Similarly, in the Ni-POMOF-T series materials, as the temperature increased, the characteristic peak of Ni₂Mo₃N gradually intensified, and Ni₂Mo₃N was no longer dominant at 1000 °C. Through HR-TEM analysis, we further identified the lattice fringes of different phases, such as Ni₃Mo₃N, Ni₂Mo₃N, Mo₂N and Mo₂C, which provided further evidence for the presence of these phases and revealed the structural transformations occurring during the calcination process. These results indicated that the calcination temperature played a crucial role in the phase transition of the catalysts and their OER performance.

XPS experiments were carried out to determine the valence states of elements. The survey spectrum manifested the presence of Co, Mo, O, N and C elements in Co-POMOF (Fig. S19(a)). In the Co 2p spectrum of Co-POMOF (Fig. S20(a)), the peak positions of Co 2p_{3/2} and Co 2p_{1/2} were centered at 779.1 and 793.8 eV, corresponding to Co–N bonds, indicating that the cobalt atom was successfully coordinated with btap, further verified by the presence of N–Co coordination at 395.7 eV in the N 1s spectrum (Fig. S20(d)) [18]. The peaks at binding energies of 781.0 and 796.8 eV can be attributed to Co³⁺, while the second spin–orbit doublet at binding energies of 782.8 and 798.5 eV can be attributed to Co²⁺ [19]. Fig. S20(b) showed the spectrum of Mo 3d, which can be deconvoluted into four peaks corresponding to Mo⁴⁺ (230.9 and 234.0 eV) and Mo⁶⁺ (232.6 and 235.7 eV). Fig. S20(d) showed the spectrum of N 1s, which can be decontaminated into four peaks at 395.7, 398.1, 400.0 and 401.4 eV, belonging to N–Co, pyridinic-N, nitrogen bond from btap ligand and residual NH₄⁺, respectively. The elemental composition and chemical valences of Ni-POMOF were analyzed by XPS, which was composed of Ni, Mo, O, N and C elements (Fig. S19(b)). As

shown in Fig. S21(a), the XPS spectrum of Ni 2p, the peaks at 856.1 and 873.5 eV belonged to Ni²⁺, while the peaks at 857.9 and 875.7 eV were assigned to Ni³⁺. The Mo 3d spectrum revealed the existence of Mo⁵⁺ and Mo⁶⁺ in Ni-POMOF (Fig. S21(c)), where the Mo⁵⁺ and Mo⁶⁺ peaks located at 234.4 and 235.1 eV for Mo 2p_{3/2}, and 231.3 and 231.9 eV for Mo 2p_{5/2}, respectively. The N 1s peaks of Ni-POMOF (Fig. S21(g)) can also be deconvoluted into four peaks as N–Ni (396.8 eV), pyridinic-N (398.1 eV), nitrogen bond from btap ligand (399.1 eV) and residual NH₄⁺ (400.3 eV) [18]. Before OER, Ni 2p XPS spectrum of Ni-POMOF-900 showed peaks at 856.8/858.3 eV of Ni 2p_{3/2} and 874.4/876.2 eV of Ni 2p_{1/2}, corresponding to Ni²⁺ and Ni³⁺, respectively (Fig. S21(b)). After OER, 856.5/857.8 eV of Ni 2p_{3/2} and 874.3/874.5 eV of Ni 2p_{1/2} were ascribed to Ni(OH)₂ and NiOOH [20]. Before OER, O 1s spectrum of Ni-POMOF-900 showed peaks located at 531.2 and 532.5 eV belonging to the lattice oxygen and adsorbed water molecule (Fig. S21(f)) [21]. After OER, H₂O and oxide ions (O₂⁻) from NiOOH peaks appeared at 532.3 and 533.5 eV [20, 21], respectively. The binding energies of 227.4/230.1/233.3 eV of Mo 3d_{5/2} and 230.4/233.3/236.4 eV of Mo 3d_{3/2} were assigned to Mo–N, Mo⁴⁺ and Mo⁵⁺, which were found mainly in Ni₂Mo₃N phase (Fig. S21(d)). Nevertheless, Mo–N peaks completely disappeared after OER. Before OER, the binding energies of 396.1/398.8 eV of N 1s correspond to N–Mo/Ni and pyridinic-N [18]. After OER, N–Mo/Ni peaks completely disappeared.

Table S9: XPS binding energies for the materials

Sample	M ^a 2p _{3/2} (eV) ^b	Mo 3d 2p _{5/2} (eV)	O 1s (eV)	N 1s (eV)
Co-POMOF	779.1/781.0/782.8	230.9/232.6	530.5/531.2/532.8	395.7/398.1/400.0/401.4
Co-POMOF after OER	780.4/781.2	231.3/232.4	530.3/531.5/532.9	398.0/400.4/403.3
Co-POMOF-700	778.3/780.2/781.5	228.1/229.5/231.9	530.0/532.0	396.9/394.1/398.1
Co-POMOF-700 after OER	780.5/782.8	230.5/232.3	529.9/531.3/532.0	398.5/400.4/403.9
Ni-POMOF	856.1/857.9	231.3/231.9	529.1/530.0/531.6	396.8/398.1/399.1/400.3
Ni-POMOF after OER	854.4/855.6	229.2/232.5	531.3/531.8	395.7/399.4/400.6
Ni-POMOF-900	856.8/858.3	227.4/230.1/233.3	531.2/532.5	396.1/398.8
Ni-POMOF-900 after OER	856.5/857.8	232.9/233.9	532.3/533.5	398.2/401.1

^a M = Co or Ni.

^b All peaks were referenced to C 1s at 284.8 eV.

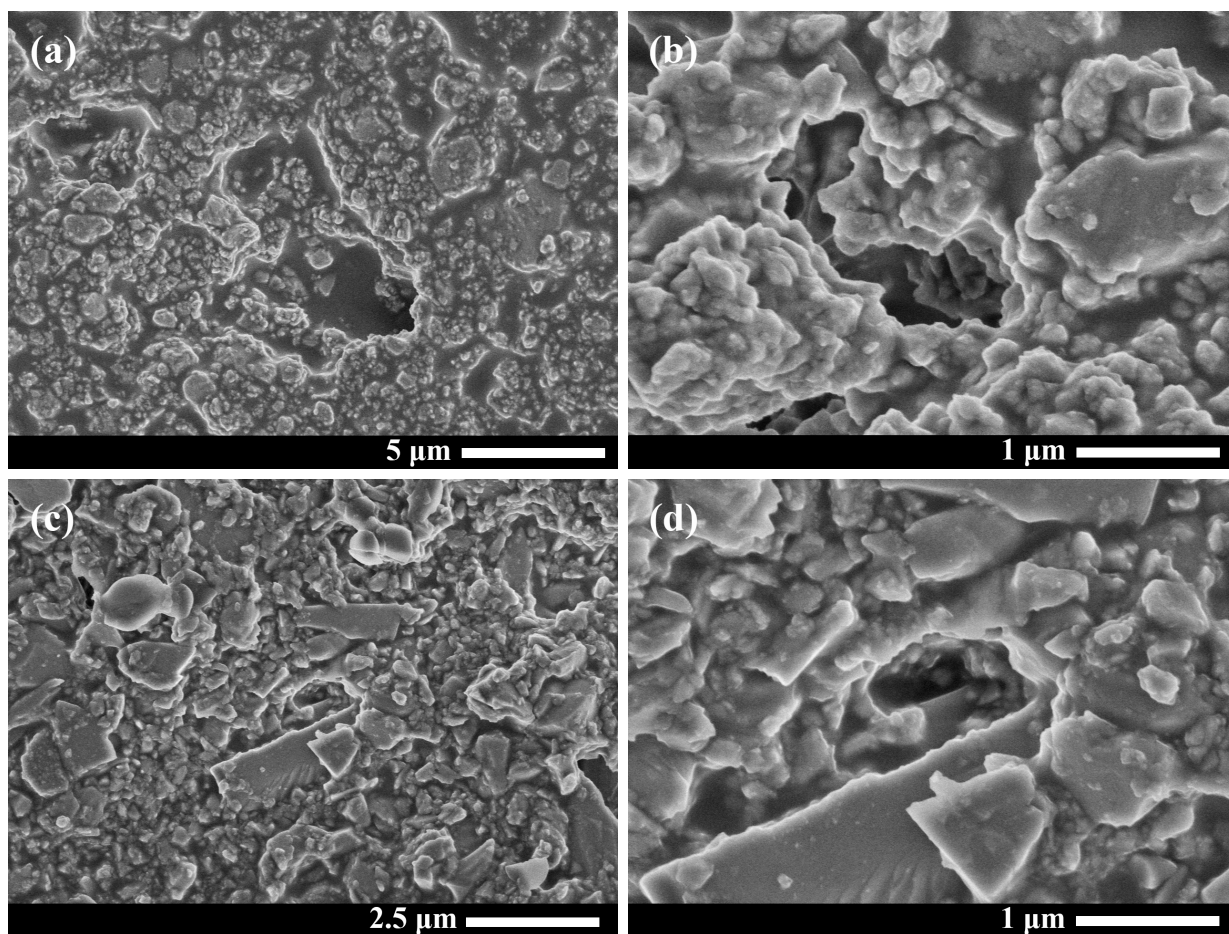


Figure S16: SEM images of (a)(b) Co-POMOF and (c)(d) Ni-POMOF.

Table S10: Atomic ratios of surface species determined by the XPS survey spectra and the relative ratios

Sample	O (at.%)	N (at.%)	Mo (at.%)	M ^a (at.%)	N/M ^a	Mo/M ^a
Co-POMOF	30.81	32.02	16.16	6.13	5.22	2.64
Co-POMOF after OER	8.16	2.27	0.61	3.74	0.61	0.16
Co-POMOF-700	19.84	28.11	21.16	6.37	4.41	3.32
Co-POMOF-700 after OER	13.52	0.78	0.29	1.75	0.45	0.17
Ni-POMOF	17.89	39.79	13.67	3.12	12.75	4.38
Ni-POMOF after OER	10.02	0.75	0.12	2.63	0.29	0.05
Ni-POMOF-900	19.40	27.83	28.27	6.03	4.62	4.69
Ni-POMOF-900 after OER	16.76	0.50	0.13	4.19	0.20	0.03

^a M = Co or Ni.

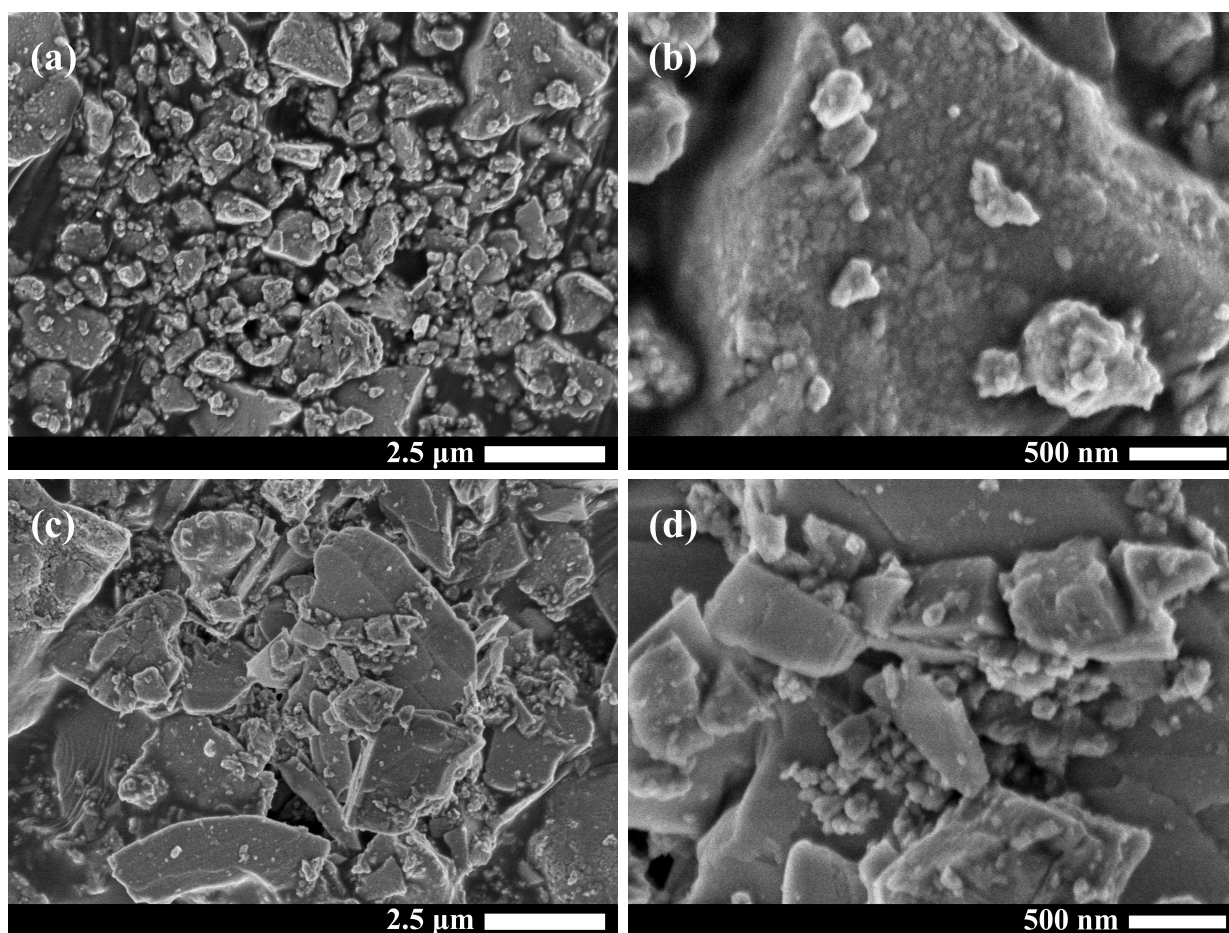


Figure S17: SEM images of (a)(b) Co-POMOF-700 and (c)(d) Ni-POMOF-900.

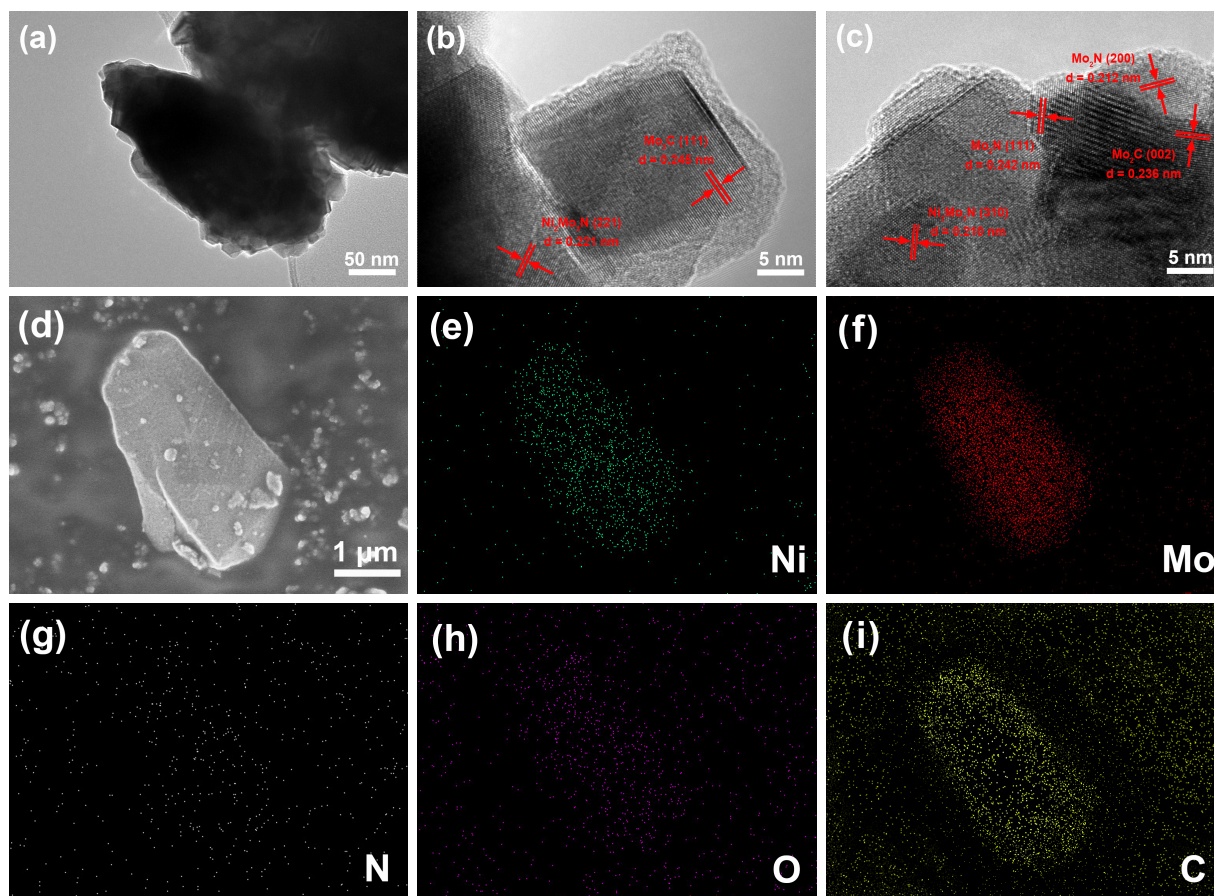


Figure S18: (a) TEM and (b,c) HR-TEM images of Ni-POMOF-900. (d – i) EDX mapping images of Ni-POMOF-900.

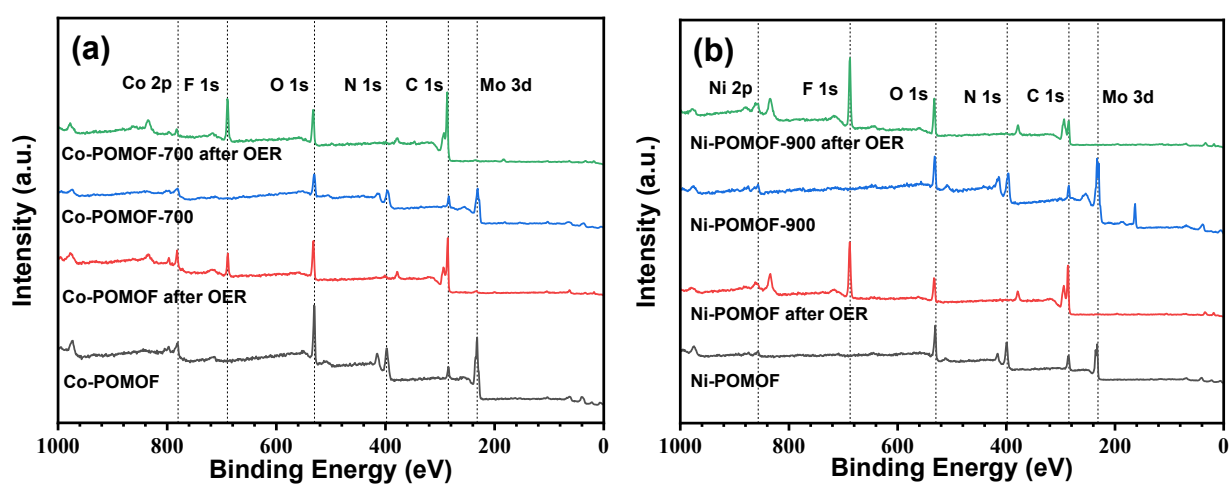


Figure S19: (a) XPS spectra of Co-POMOF before and after OER, and Co-POMOF-700 before and after OER. (b) XPS spectra of Ni-POMOF before and after OER, and Ni-POMOF-900 before and after OER.

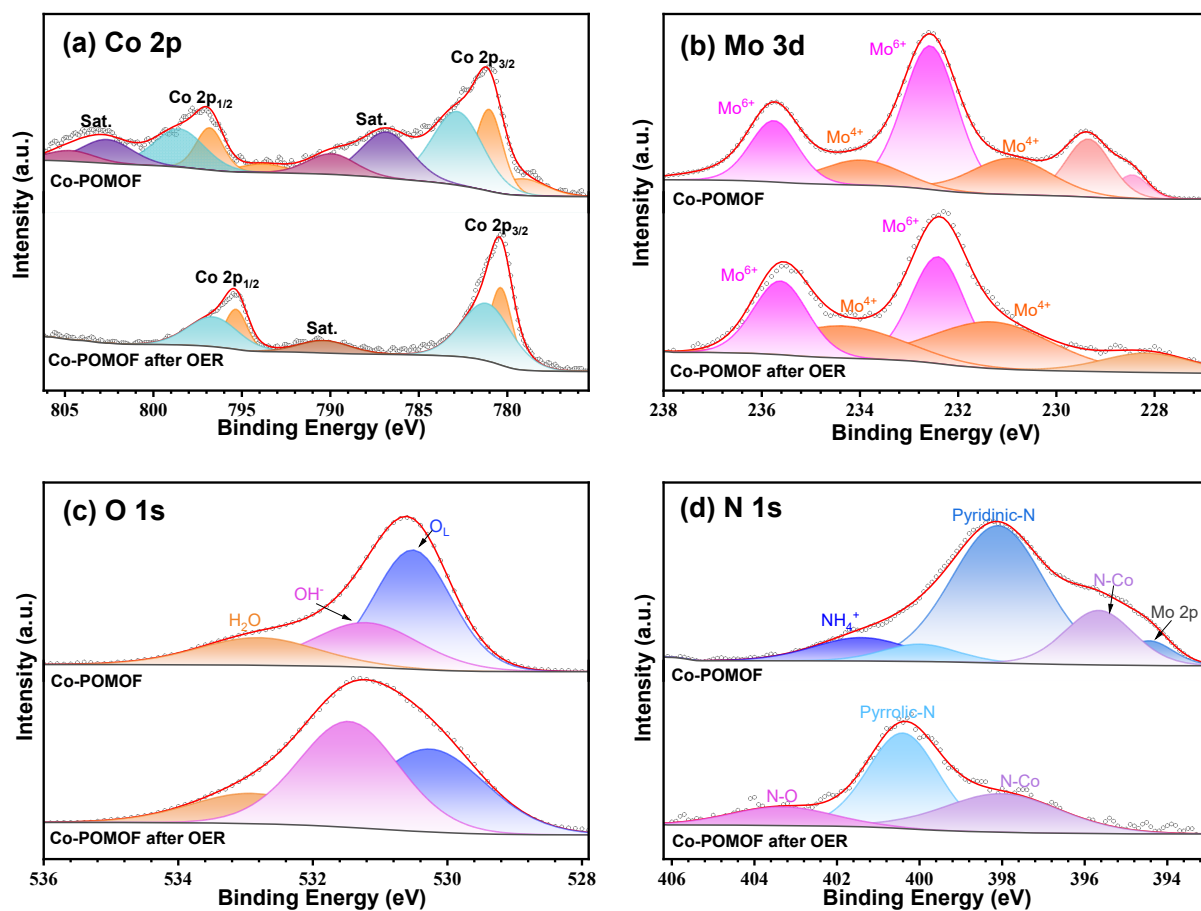


Figure S20: (a) Co 2p XPS spectra of Co-POMOF before and after OER. (b) Mo 3d XPS spectra of Co-POMOF before and after OER. (c) O 1s XPS spectra of Co-POMOF before and after OER. (d) N 1s XPS spectra of Co-POMOF before and after OER.

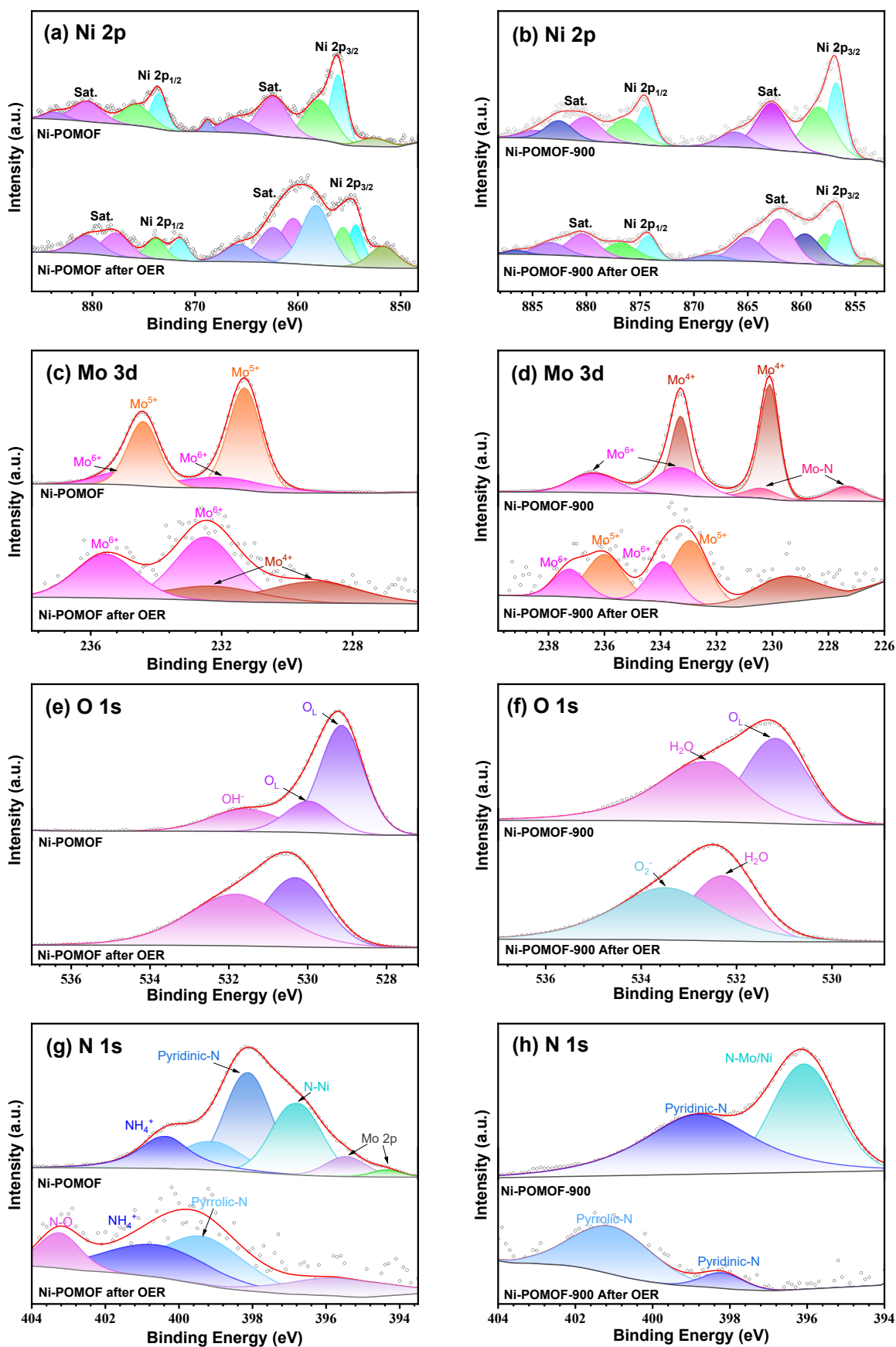


Figure S21: Ni 2p XPS spectra of (a) Ni-POMOF, and (b) Ni-POMOF-900 before and after OER. Mo 3d XPS spectra of (c) Ni-POMOF, and (d) Ni-POMOF-900 before and after OER. O 1s XPS spectra of (e) Ni-POMOF, and (f) Ni-POMOF-900 before and after OER. N 1s XPS spectra of (g) Ni-POMOF, and (h) Ni-POMOF-900 before and after OER.

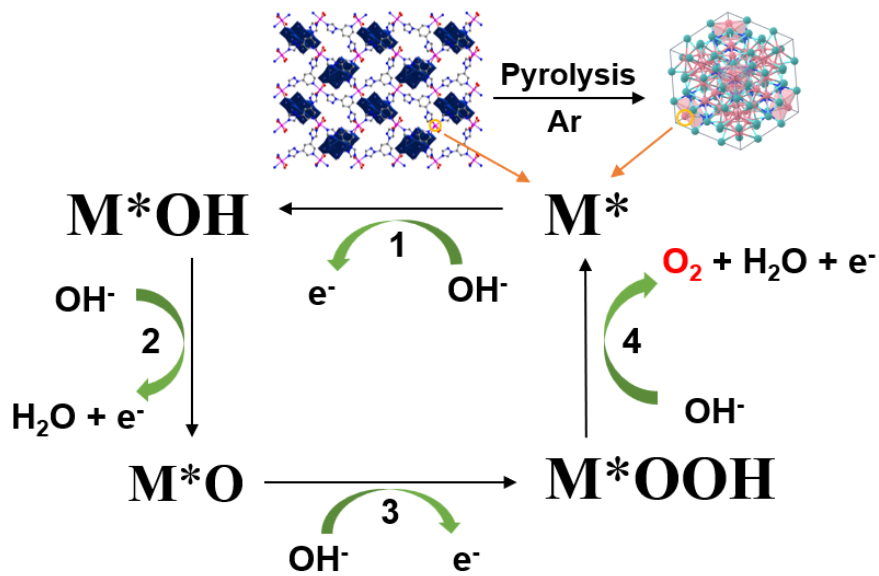


Figure S22: OER pathway.

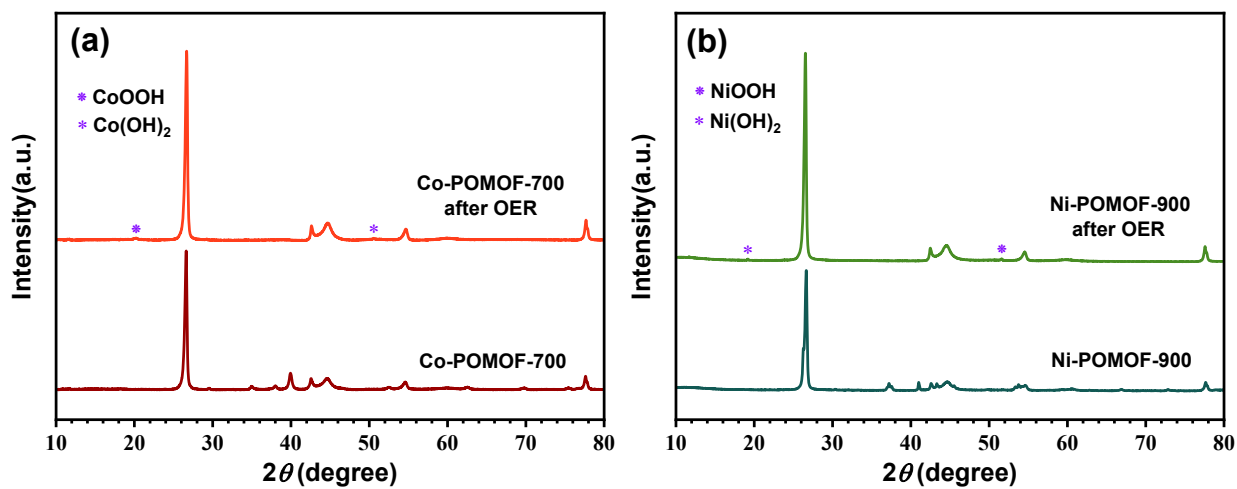


Figure S23: (a) PXRD patterns of Co-POMOF-700/GE before and after OER. (b) PXRD patterns of Ni-POMOF-900/GE before and after OER.

6. Electrochemical Properties of Co/Ni-POMOF and Co/Ni-POMOF-T

6.1. Preparation of Working Electrodes

Modified graphite electrodes (GE) were used as working electrodes [22]. The working electrodes were prepared according to the following process. After being polished with 0.3 and 0.05 μm Al_2O_3 particles, the graphite substrate electrode (1 cm \times 1 cm \times 0.5 cm) was cleaned with ultrapure H_2O . POMOF or its thermal derivatives were mixed with polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) and carbon black by adequate grinding in an appropriate mass ratio at 1 ml of *N*-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP) and ink suspension was obtained. The obtained slurry was homogenized by ultrasonication, and 100 μL of the slurry was dropped onto the graphite electrode to form a thin film, and then dried under an infrared lamp. The other surfaces of the graphite electrode were covered with a thin polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) film and the electrode surface area, $A = 1 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ cm}$. All of the working electrodes were kept in a desiccator prior to electrochemical measurements.

6.2. Electrochemical Measurements

All electrochemical measurements were performed in an aqueous solution of 1 M KOH (pH \approx 14) at room temperature. The three-electrode system was connected to an electrochemical workstation (CHI 660E, CH Instruments), where the reference electrode was a saturated calomel electrode (SCE, $\text{Hg}/\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2$) and the counter electrode was a platinum wire. Linear sweep voltammetry (LSV) was measured at a scan rate of 5 mV s^{-1} with 85 % *iR* compensation [23]. Working potentials were converted with respect to the reversible hydrogen electrode (RHE) according to the following equation:

$$E_{\text{RHE}} = E_{\text{SCE}} + 0.059 \times \text{pH} + 0.2415 \text{ (V)} \quad (1)$$

For the LSV curve of oxygen eVolution reaction (OER), the overpotential (η) of each electrode material was calculated according to the following equation [24]:

$$\eta = E_{\text{RHE}} - 1.23 \text{ (V)} \quad (2)$$

The Tafel slope was calculated according to the following equation [25–28]:

$$\eta = b \log |j| + a \quad (3)$$

with η the overpotential in mV, b the Tafel slope in mV dec^{-1} , j the current density in mA cm^{-2} , and a the exchange current density.

Double layer capacitance (C_{dl}) was calculated in the non-Faradaic potential region by cyclic voltammetry (CV) curves at different scanning rates [29].

The electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS) was performed in the frequency region of 10^5 to 10^{-2} Hz with an amplitude of 5 mV. Electrocatalytic stability was assessed by polarization curves (LSV) measured with the 1000 or 2000 CV cycle in 1 M KOH solution, and $i - t$ curves were obtained by chronoamperometry at constant operating voltage for 12 or 24 hours.

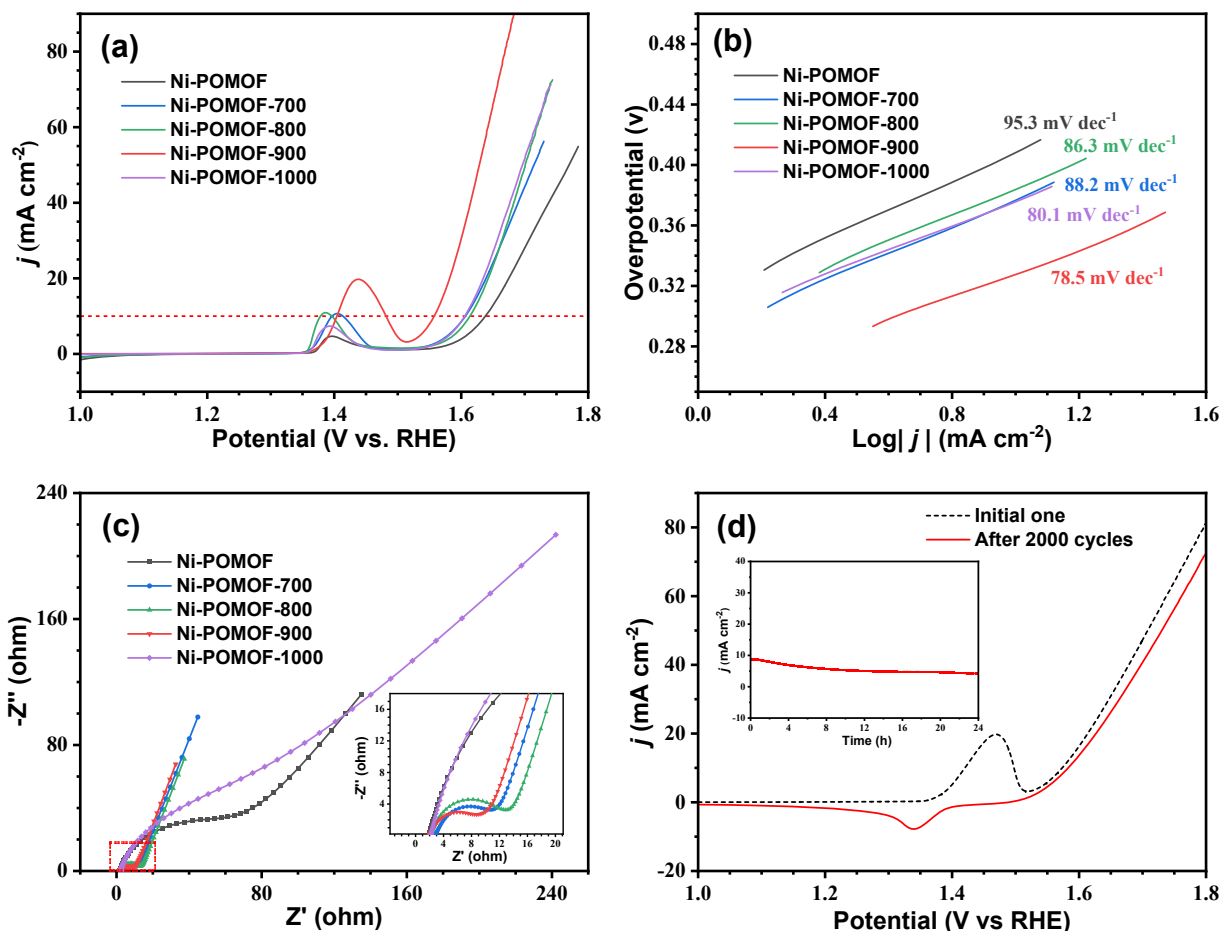


Figure S24: (a) LSV curves with the potential range of 1.0 to 1.8 V (*vs.* RHE) in 1 M KOH for OER. (b) Tafel plots from the LSV curves. (c) EIS curves. (d) LSV curves of Ni-POMOF-900 before and after 2000 CV cycles (inset: chronoamperometric measurement at 10 mA cm⁻² for Ni-POMOF-900 in 24 h).

By fitting Δj ($\Delta j = |j_{pa} - j_{pc}|$) to the scanning rate, the C_{dl} value of Co-POMOF-700 (6.2 mF cm⁻²) was calculated to be slightly higher than that of Co-POMOF (4.2 mF cm⁻²) (Fig. S25(a,b)), and the C_{dl} value of Ni-POMOF-900 (5.9 mF cm⁻²) was also slightly higher than that of Ni-POMOF (2.0 mF cm⁻²) (Fig. S25(c,d)). The improved OER performance of Co-POMOF-700 and Ni-POMOF-900 can be attributed in part to their better intrinsic activity, with Co-POMOF-700 and Ni-POMOF-900 having a greater specific surface area, which can expose more active sites.

The electrocatalytic activities of Co-POMOF-T with a mass loading of 1.0 mg cm⁻² in 1 M KOH toward OER were studied. As widely accepted, the Co²⁺ species in Co-based electrocatalysts generally experienced obvious oxidation processes and transformed into high-oxidation cobalt species, which was critical to their electrocatalytic performances. This CV process can be viewed as a precatalytic treatment of Co²⁺ → Co³⁺ → Co⁴⁺ activation in alkaline medium, and indicated that the active sites of OER mainly resulted from surface redox reactions.

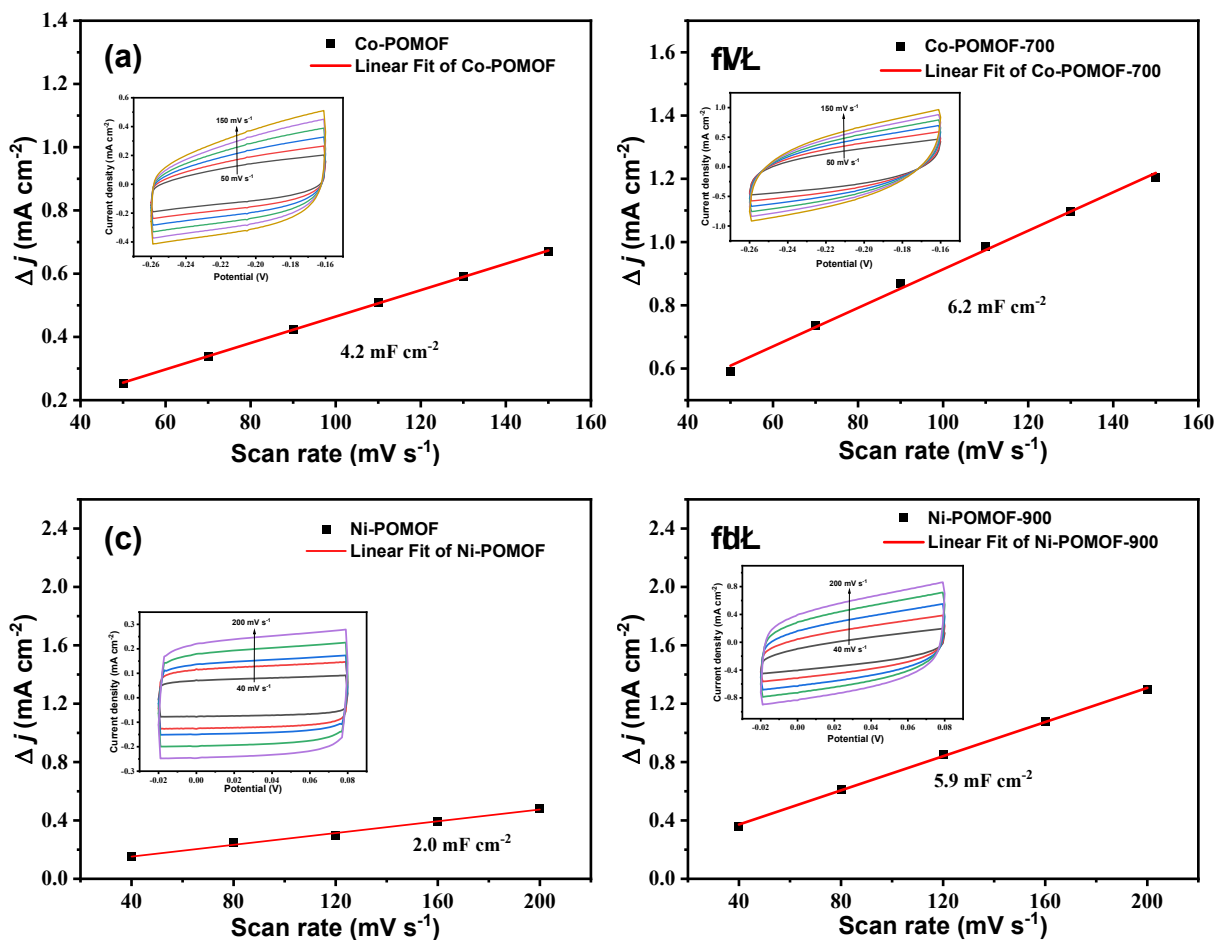


Figure S25: Double-layer capacitance (C_{dl}) from the CV curves (Insert: CV curves) for (a) Co-POMOF, (b) Co-POMOF-700, (c) Ni-POMOF and (d) Ni-POMOF-900.

Fig. S26(a,c,e,g,i) showed the CV plots of various electrodes at a scan rate from 10 to 190 mV s⁻¹ with a step of 20 mV s⁻¹. A pair of redox peaks appeared at around 1.0 V and 1.4 V *vs.* RHE can be clearly seen in every scan cycle of these curves, which might originate from the change between Co ions of different valence states ($\text{Co}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Co}^{3+}$) similar to the previous reports of many Co-based materials [30]. Different from the Ni materials with only a pair of redox peaks, another pair of redox peaks of $\text{Co}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Co}^{4+}$ appeared at about 1.3 V and 1.6 V *vs.* RHE. The results of the anodic peak potential (E_{pa}), the cathodic peak potential (E_{pc}), the half-wave potential ($E_{1/2} = (E_{pa} + E_{pc})/2$), and the potential peak separation ($\Delta E_p = |E_{pa} - E_{pc}|$) for the pair of waves were reported in Table S11. When the scan rate increased from 10 to 190 mV s⁻¹, ΔE_p increased slightly. The cathodic peak current densities (j_{pc}) and the anode peak current densities (j_{pa}) of the $\text{Co}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Co}^{3+}$ redox peaks were linear with the scan rates, as shown in Fig. S26(b,d,f,h,j), indicating that the process belonged to the surface controlled electrode process. For an ideal electrode, the peak potential does not change with scan rate [31]. In fact, the reversibility of an electrode reaction is related to the scanning rate. At low scan rates, the electrode reaction

shows reversible characteristics. While at high scan rates, the charge transfer reaction rate and mass transfer process no longer follow the Nernst equation, and the electrode reaction changes from reversible to irreversible [32]. The absolute values of j_{pc} and j_{pa} were roughly equal at the low sweep rates, which meant that the ratio of the absolute value of j_{pc} and j_{pa} was close to 1. The value of ΔE_p approached $59/n$ mV, but $E_{1/2}$ and ΔE_p increased with increasing scan rate [32]. The electrode reaction was quasi-reversible [33]. $E_{1/2}$ and ΔE_p data for the $\text{Co}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Co}^{3+}$ redox peaks were tabulated in Table S11.

Ni-POMOF-T was also configured as anode materials (mass loading 1.0 mg cm^{-2}) in 1 M KOH for OER performance. Usually, a couple of redox peaks can be observed in those typical cyclic voltammetry (CV) curves of Ni-based materials, and the pair of sharp peaks belonged to the redox electric pair peaks $\text{Ni}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Ni}^{3+}$ [34]. Fig. S27(a,c,e,g,i) displayed the CV curves of the four Ni-POMOF-T at different scan rates. The results of E_{pa} , E_{pc} , $E_{1/2}$ and ΔE_p were reported in Table S12. It can be seen that j_{pc} and j_{pa} depended linearly on the square roots of the sweep rates (Fig. S27(b,d,f,h,j)), indicating that the diffusion of the electrolyte was dominant in the redox process for the Ni-POMOF-T.

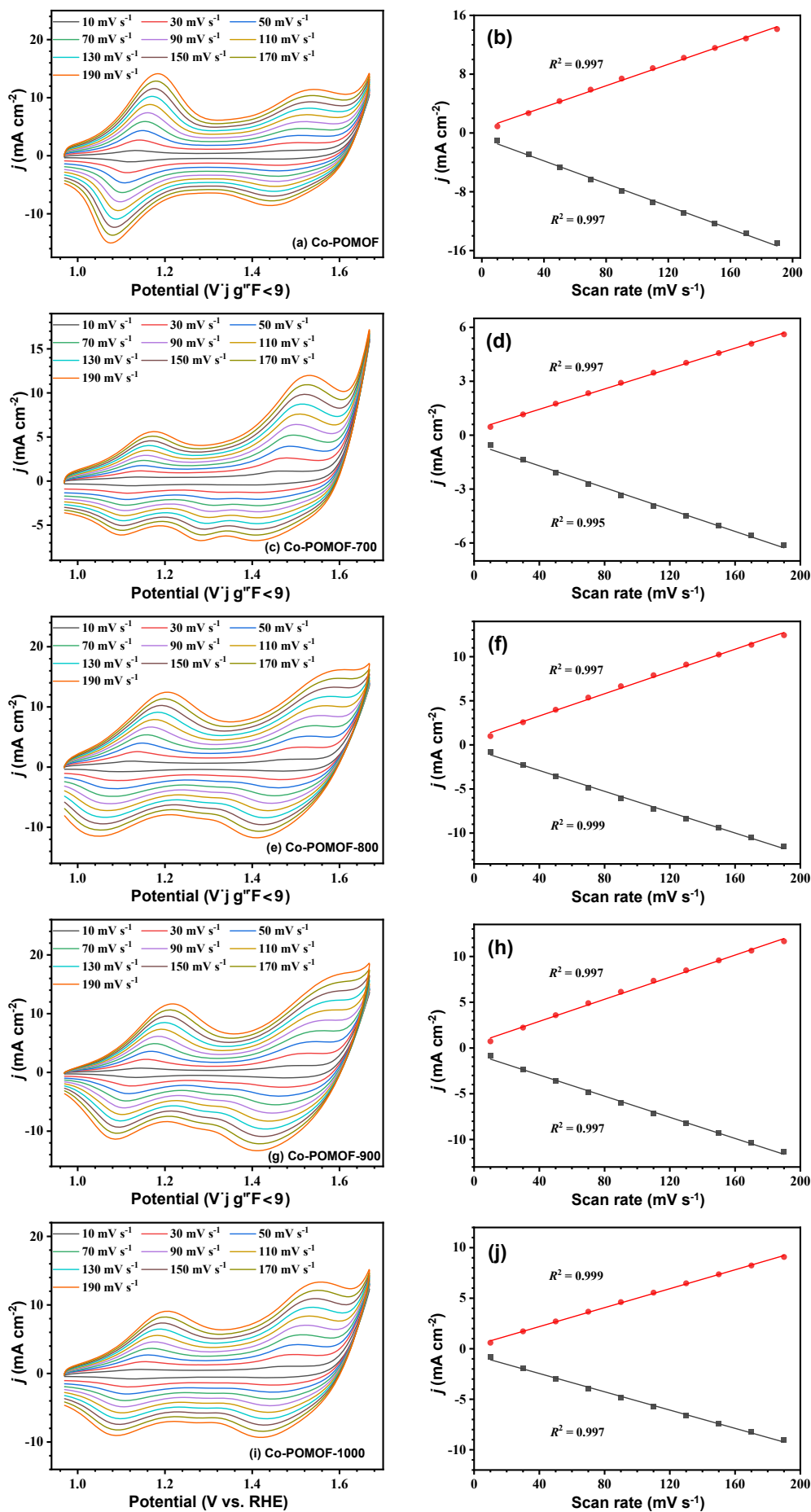


Figure S26: CV curves of (a) Co-POMOF, (c) Co-POMOF-700, (e) Co-POMOF-800, (g) Co-POMOF-900 and (i) Co-POMOF-1000 at different scan rates (10, 30, 50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 150, 170 and 190 mV s^{-1} with 0.97 to 1.67 V (*vs.* RHE)). The linear relationship between the anode (red) and cathode (black) CV current densities with different scan rates of (b) Co-POMOF, (d) Co-POMOF-700, (f) Co-POMOF-800, (h) Co-POMOF-900 and (j) Co-POMOF-1000.

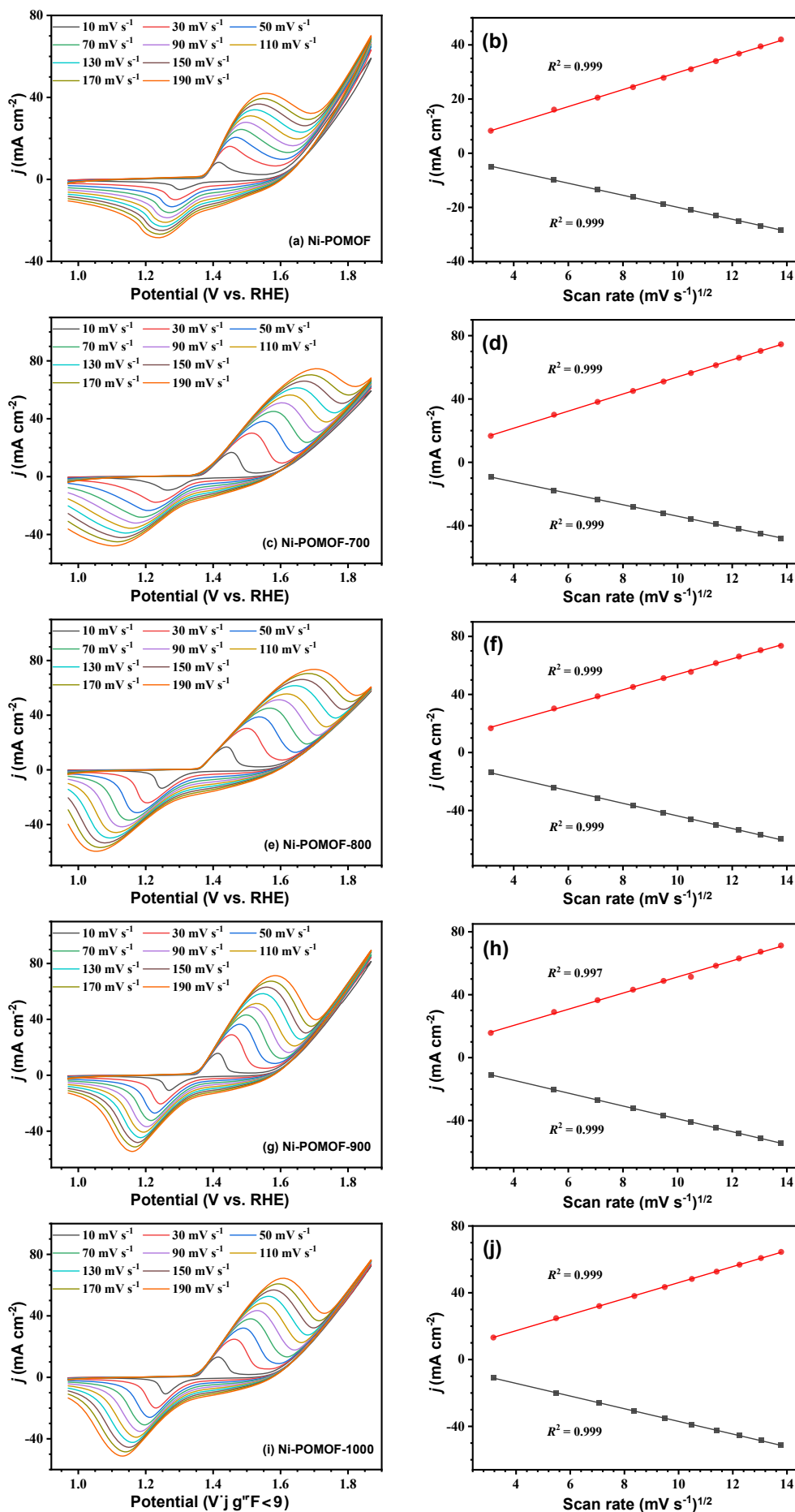


Figure S27: CV curves of (a) Ni-POMOF, (c) Ni-POMOF-700, (e) Ni-POMOF-800, (g) Ni-POMOF-900 and (i) Ni-POMOF-1000 at different scan rates (10, 30, 50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 150, 170 and 190 mV s^{-1} with 0.97 to 1.87 V (*vs.* RHE). The linear relationship between the anode (red) and cathode (black) CV current densities with different half of the square of the scan rates of (b) Ni-POMOF, (d) Ni-POMOF-700, (f) Ni-POMOF-800, (h) Ni-POMOF-900 and (j) Ni-POMOF-1000.

Table S11: $E_{1/2}$ and ΔE_p data of the Co-POMOFs materials

Sample	Scan rate	E_{pc}	E_{pa}	$E_{1/2}$	ΔE_p
	(mV s ⁻¹)	(V)	(V)	(V)	(mV)
Co-POMOF	10	1.1199	1.1339	1.1269	14
	30	1.1129	1.1399	1.1264	27
	50	1.1069	1.1489	1.1279	42
	70	1.1019	1.1529	1.1274	51
	90	1.0969	1.1609	1.1289	64
	110	1.0929	1.1659	1.1294	73
	130	1.0869	1.1719	1.1294	85
	150	1.0829	1.1739	1.1284	91
	170	1.0779	1.1779	1.1279	100
	190	1.0749	1.1829	1.1289	108
Co-POMOF-700	10	1.1209	1.1369	1.1289	16
	30	1.1159	1.1449	1.1304	29
	50	1.1139	1.1479	1.1309	34
	70	1.1099	1.1529	1.1314	43
	90	1.1079	1.1559	1.1319	48
	110	1.1049	1.1589	1.1319	54
	130	1.1059	1.1639	1.1349	58
	150	1.1029	1.1689	1.1359	66
	170	1.1009	1.1719	1.1364	71
	190	1.0999	1.1749	1.1374	75
Co-POMOF-800	10	1.0889	1.1229	1.1059	34
	30	1.0919	1.1369	1.1144	45
	50	1.0869	1.1479	1.1174	61
	70	1.0799	1.1589	1.1194	79
	90	1.0689	1.1669	1.1179	98
	110	1.0689	1.1769	1.1229	108
	130	1.0619	1.1849	1.1234	123
	150	1.0589	1.1899	1.1244	131
	170	1.0489	1.1969	1.1229	148
	190	1.0429	1.2029	1.1229	160
Co-POMOF-900	10	1.0889	1.1229	1.1059	34
	30	1.0919	1.1369	1.1144	45
	50	1.0869	1.1479	1.1174	61
	70	1.0799	1.1589	1.1194	79
	90	1.0689	1.1669	1.1179	98
	110	1.0689	1.1769	1.1229	108
	130	1.0619	1.1849	1.1234	123
	150	1.0589	1.1899	1.1244	131

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Sample	Scan rate	E_{pc}	E_{pa}	$E_{1/2}$	ΔE_p
	(mV s ⁻¹)	(V)	(V)	(V)	(mV)
	170	1.0489	1.1969	1.1229	148
	190	1.0429	1.2029	1.1229	160
Co-POMOF-1000	10	1.1199	1.1449	1.1324	25
	30	1.1189	1.1529	1.1359	34
	50	1.1129	1.1609	1.1369	48
	70	1.1089	1.1689	1.1389	60
	90	1.1059	1.1749	1.1404	69
	110	1.0999	1.1819	1.1409	82
	130	1.0969	1.1879	1.1424	91
	150	1.0939	1.1929	1.1434	99
	170	1.0929	1.1989	1.1459	106
	190	1.0899	1.2039	1.1469	114

Table S12: $E_{1/2}$ and ΔE_p data of the Ni-POMOFs materials

Sample	Scan rate	E_{pc}	E_{pa}	$E_{1/2}$	ΔE_p
	(mV s^{-1})	(V)	(V)	(V)	(mV)
Ni-POMOF	10	1.3019	1.4169	1.3594	115
	30	1.2879	1.4499	1.3689	162
	50	1.2779	1.4669	1.3724	189
	70	1.2709	1.4819	1.3764	211
	90	1.2629	1.4959	1.3794	233
	110	1.2579	1.5109	1.3844	253
	130	1.2509	1.5219	1.3864	271
	150	1.2469	1.5329	1.3899	286
	170	1.2409	1.5469	1.3939	306
	190	1.2369	1.5569	1.3969	320
Ni-POMOF-700	10	1.2639	1.4539	1.3589	190
	30	1.2299	1.5149	1.3724	285
	50	1.2049	1.5489	1.3769	344
	70	1.1859	1.5779	1.3819	392
	90	1.1689	1.6039	1.3864	435
	110	1.1539	1.6269	1.3904	473
	130	1.1399	1.6479	1.3939	508
	150	1.1269	1.6699	1.3984	543
	170	1.1139	1.6869	1.4004	573
	190	1.1009	1.7059	1.4034	605
Ni-POMOF-800	10	1.2479	1.4389	1.3434	191
	30	1.2039	1.5009	1.3524	297
	50	1.1739	1.5369	1.3554	363
	70	1.1489	1.5669	1.3579	418
	90	1.1299	1.5949	1.3624	465
	110	1.1099	1.6179	1.3639	508
	130	1.0929	1.6419	1.3674	549
	150	1.0789	1.6629	1.3709	584
	170	1.0649	1.6829	1.3739	618
	190	1.0509	1.6989	1.3749	648
Ni-POMOF-900	10	1.2689	1.4129	1.3409	144
	30	1.2439	1.4539	1.3489	210
	50	1.2269	1.4789	1.3529	252
	70	1.2149	1.4979	1.3564	283
	90	1.2029	1.5129	1.3579	310
	110	1.1929	1.5279	1.3604	335
	130	1.1849	1.5449	1.3649	360
	150	1.1759	1.5579	1.3669	382

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Sample	Scan rate	E_{pc}	E_{pa}	$E_{1/2}$	ΔE_p
	(mV s ⁻¹)	(V)	(V)	(V)	(mV)
	170	1.1679	1.5719	1.3699	404
	190	1.1589	1.5829	1.3709	424
Ni-POMOF-1000	10	1.2579	1.4149	1.3364	157
	30	1.2299	1.4619	1.3459	232
	50	1.2119	1.4889	1.3504	277
	70	1.1959	1.5109	1.3534	315
	90	1.1829	1.5299	1.3564	347
	110	1.1709	1.5459	1.3584	375
	130	1.1609	1.5639	1.3624	403
	150	1.1499	1.5789	1.3644	429
	170	1.1389	1.5919	1.3654	453
	190	1.1309	1.6069	1.3689	476

Table S13: Comparison of overpotentials of the thermal derivation composites with other studies

Catalyst	Electrolyte	j (mA cm ⁻²)	Overpotential (mV)	Ref.
Co-POMOF-700	1 M KOH	10	364	this work
Co ₂ -tzpa	1 M KOH	10	336	[35]
Co-MOF-2	1 M KOH	10	343	[21]
Co@N-CNTF	1 M KOH	10	350	[36]
Co-BTC/CC	1 M KOH	10	370	[37]
rGO/Co ₂ P-800	1 M KOH	10	378	[38]
Co/Cu-MOF	1 M KOH	10	395	[39]
Ni-POMOF-900	1 M KOH	10	328	this work
CoNi hydroxide UNSs	1 M KOH	10	324	[40]
C@NiCo ₁₂	1 M KOH	10	330	[41]
Fe ₂ O ₃ @Ni-450	1 M KOH	10	370	[42]
Ni-BTC/CC	1 M KOH	10	390	[37]
UTSA-16	1 M KOH	10	408	[43]

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