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#### Abstract

It is highly desired to enhance the catalytic activity of MnO<sub>2</sub> for the oxygen evolution reaction (OER) in alkaline media. Herein we report the development of MnO<sub>2</sub>-CoP<sub>3</sub> nanowires array on Ti mesh (MnO<sub>2</sub>-CoP<sub>3</sub>/Ti) as an efficient 3D OER electrocatalyst with good stability under basic conditions. In 1.0 M KOH, the MnO<sub>2</sub>-CoP<sub>3</sub>/Ti requires a current density of 10 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> at overpotential of only 288 mV, which is 120 mV less than that for MnO<sub>2</sub>/Ti. In addition, such MnO<sub>2</sub>-CoP<sub>3</sub>/Ti also exhibits high long-term electrochemical durability.

**Keywords:** MnO<sub>2</sub>-CoP<sub>3</sub>; nanowires array; electrocatalyst; water oxidation; alkaline solution

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