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Rational design of highly selective nitrogen-doped Fe₂O₃-CNTs catalyst towards H₂O₂ generation in alkaline media



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Results and discussion

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Fig. 2 – SEM images of (a) MIL-101-Fe crystals, (b) Ppy@MIL-101-Fe-CNTs and (c) NC@Fe₂O₃-CNTs. TEM images of (d) MIL-101-Fe crystals, (e) Ppy@MIL-101-Fe-CNTs and (f) NC@Fe₂O₃-CNTs. (g) High-resolution TEM image, (h) SAED pattern and (i) HAADF-STEM image and its corresponding elemental mappings of NC@Fe₂O₃-CNTs.

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Fig. 4 – (a) Cyclic voltammograms (CV) in a potential window without faradaic processes of $NC@Fe_2O_3$ -CNTs and (b) the summarized double-layer capacitance (C_{dl}) of different catalysts. (c) Chronoamperometric response of $NC@Fe_2O_3$ -CNTs and Pt/C (20 wt %) catalysts at 0.60 V with a rotation speed of 1600 rpm for 10 h in O_2 -saturated 0.1 M KOH.

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Fig. 5 – High-resolution XPS spectra of (a) N 1s regions of NC@Fe₂O₃-CNTs, NC@Fe₂O₃ and NC@CNTs, and (b) Fe 2p regions of NC@Fe₂O₃-CNTs, NC@Fe₂O₃ and Fe₂O₃-CNTs.



Scheme 2 – The proposed catalytic mechanism of NC@Fe $_2O_3$ catalyst for electrochemical O_2 reduction to H_2O_2 in alkaline medium.

Conclusions

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Appendix A. Supplementary data

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