

## **Supporting Information**

# **Density Functional Theory Optimization of Cobalt- and Nitrogen-Doped Graphene Catalysts for Enhanced Oxygen Evolution Reaction**

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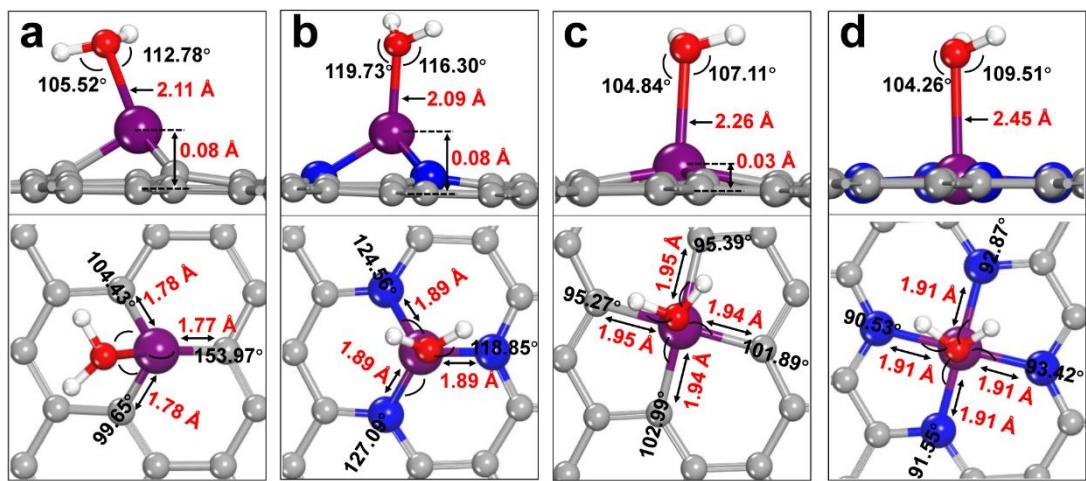
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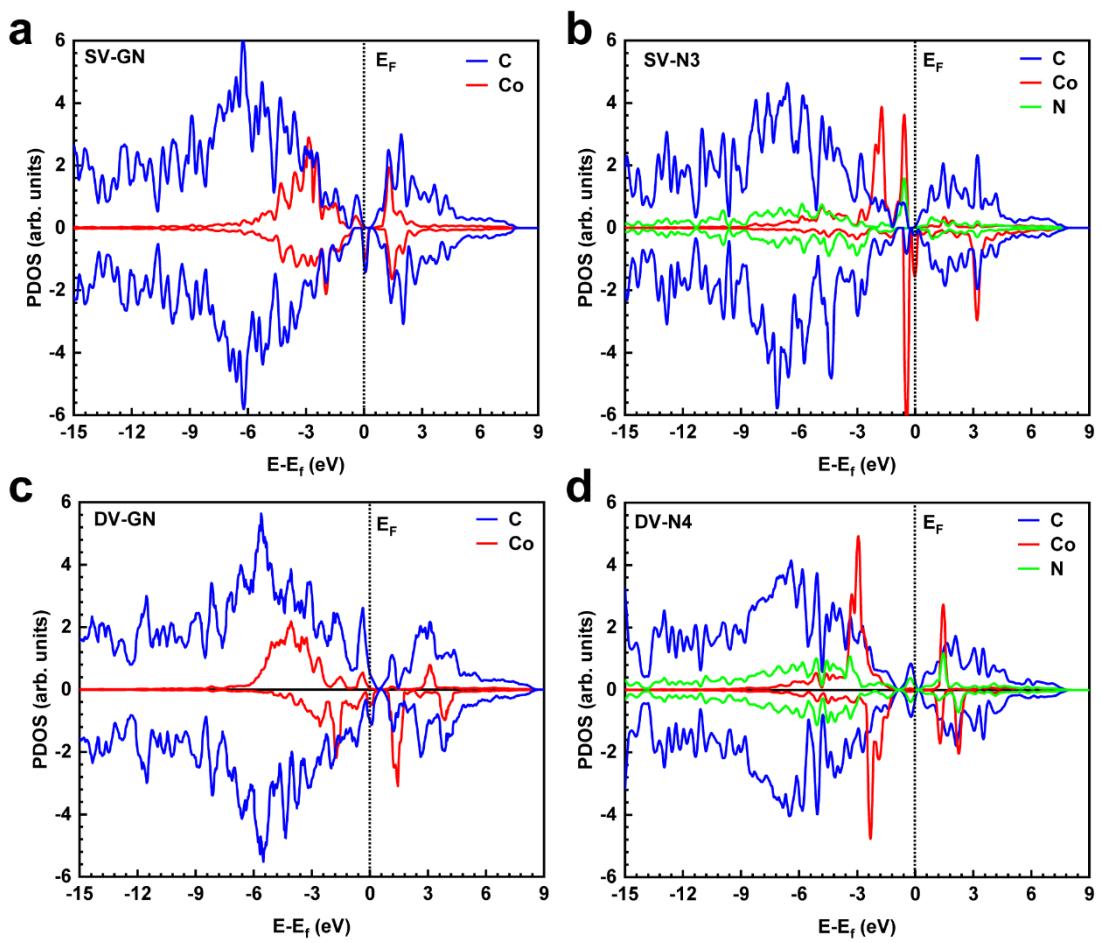
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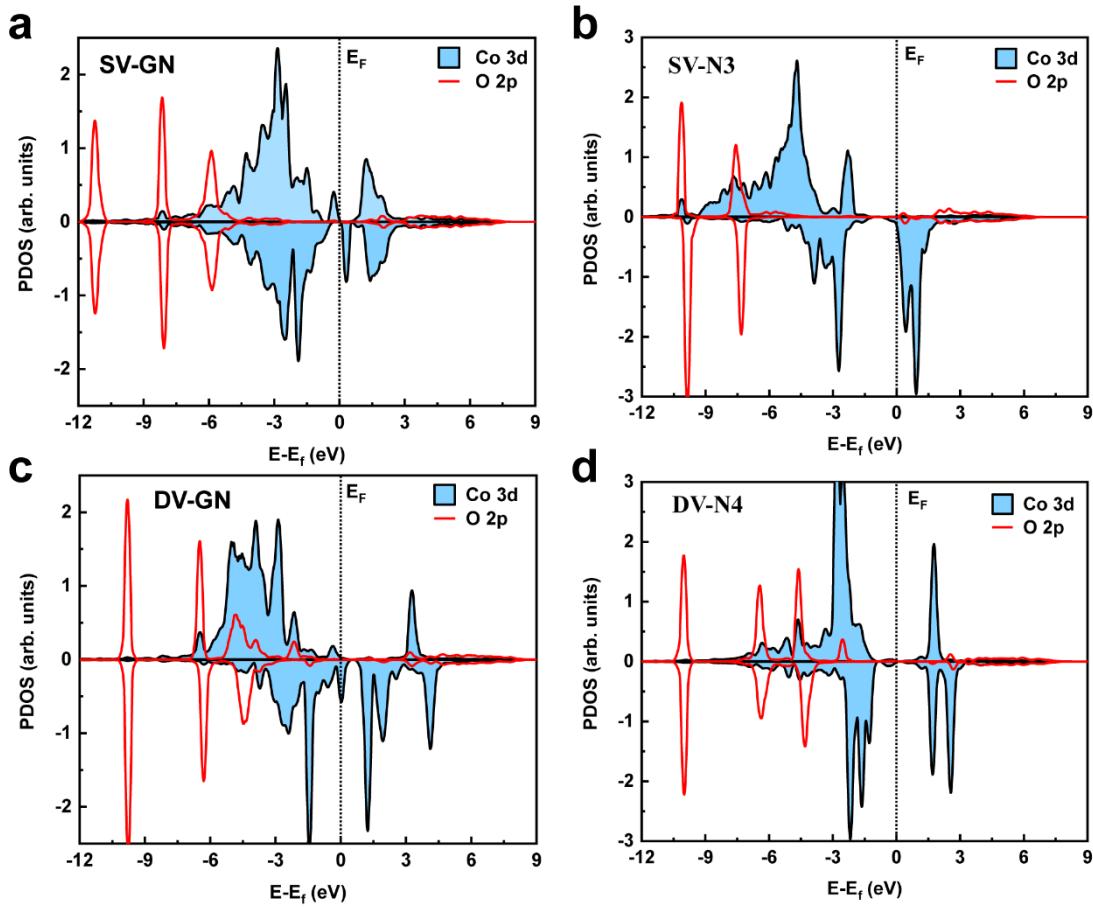
## Supplementary Figures:



**Figure S1.** Bond lengths and bond angles of the stable Co-N-g catalyst of (a) SV-GN, (b) SV-N3, (c) DV-GN, and (d) DV-N4.



**Figure S2.** PDOS of specified elements C (blue), Co (red) and N (green), for Co-N-g catalyst of (a) SV-GN, (b) SV-N3, (c) DV-GN, and (d) DV-N4.



**Figure S3.** PDOS of Co-3d (blue) and O-2p states (red) after  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  adsorption on the catalyst surface.

**Table S1.** Bader charge and d-band center values of SV-GN, SV-N3, DV-GN, and DV-N4 catalysts with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  adsorbed.

Catalysts	Bader charge (eV)		d-band center (eV)	
	Co of catalysts	Co of $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ adsorbed on catalysts	O of $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ adsorbed on catalysts	Co of $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ adsorbed on catalysts
SV-GN	0.50	0.63	-1.19	-2.45
SV-N3	0.73	1.06	-1.24	-5.22
DV-GN	0.84	0.92	-1.29	-3.39
DV-N4	0.95	0.98	-1.25	-2.68

**Table S2.** HOMO, LUMO, and HOMO-LUMO gap<sup>a</sup> of  $\alpha$  electrons and  $\beta$  electrons for SV-GN, SV-N3, DV-GN, and DV-N4 catalysts with H<sub>2</sub>O adsorbed. The unit is eV.

	SV-GN		SV-N3		DV-GN		DV-N4	
	$\alpha$ electron	$\beta$ electron	$\alpha$ electron	$\beta$ electron	$\alpha$ electron	$\beta$ electron	$\alpha$ electron	$\beta$ electron
HOMO	-7.99	-8.79		-6.41		-8.95	-8.29	-8.46 -7.32
LUMO	-0.10	-0.13		-3.27		-0.79	-0.99	-0.13 -0.04
HOMO-LUMO gap	7.89	8.66		3.14		8.16	7.30	8.33 7.28

<sup>a</sup> HOMO-LUMO gap is the difference between LUMO and HOMO energy levels.