

## Supporting Information

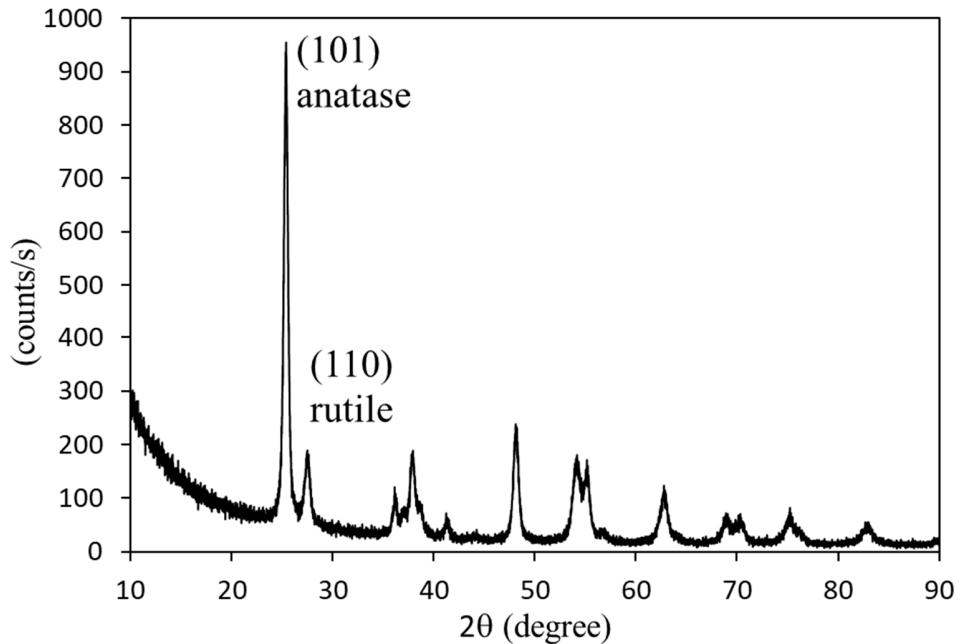


Figure S1. XRD of  $\text{TiO}_2$  (anatase + rutile), the rutile content is 15 wt. %.

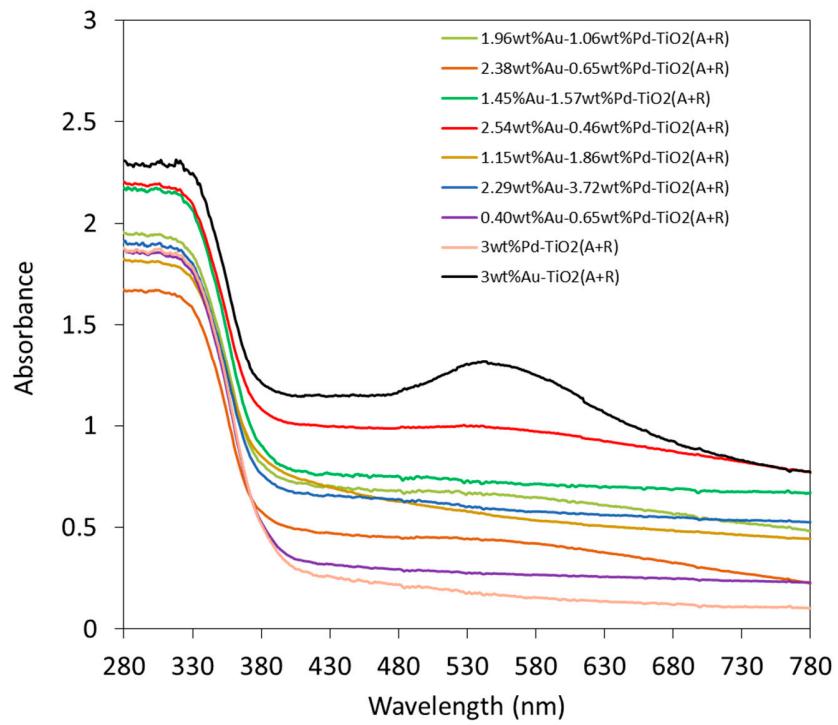


Figure S2. UV-Vis spectra of the series of catalysts studied.

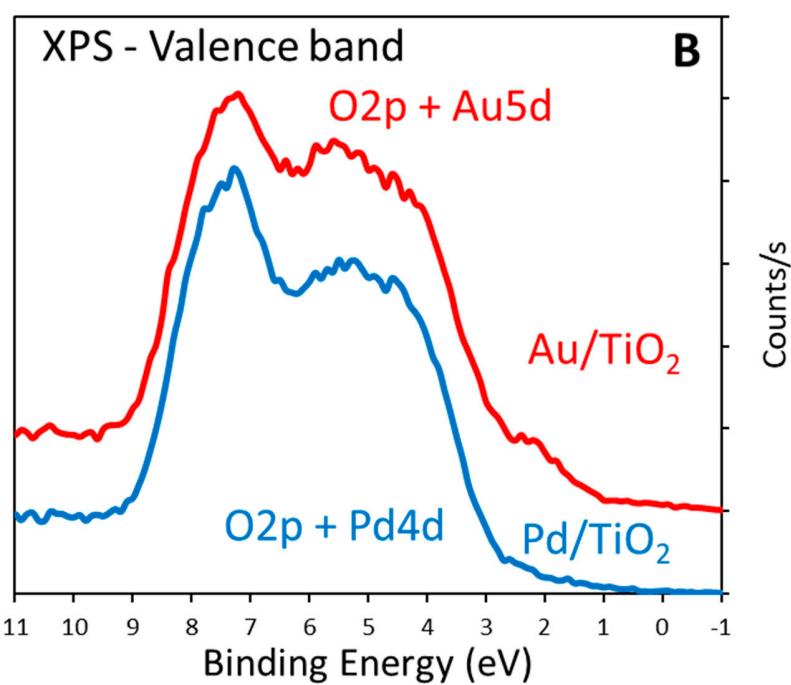
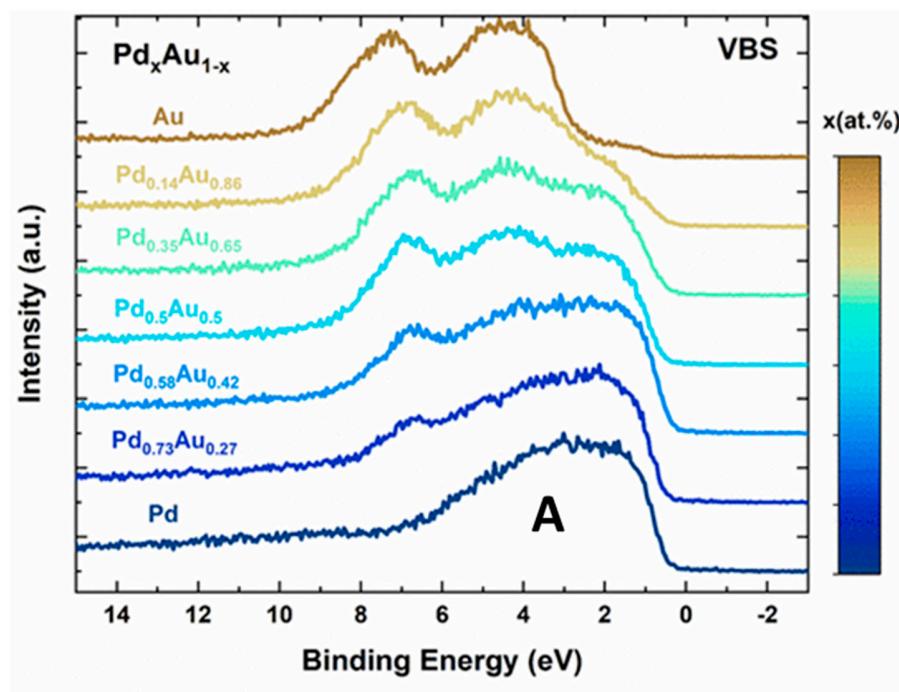


Figure S3. (A)Valence band XPS of Pd, Au and Pd-Au alloy series, from ref. 24 (printed with permission); (B) Valence band XPS of 3 wt. % Pd/TiO<sub>2</sub> and 3 wt. % Au/TiO<sub>2</sub>.

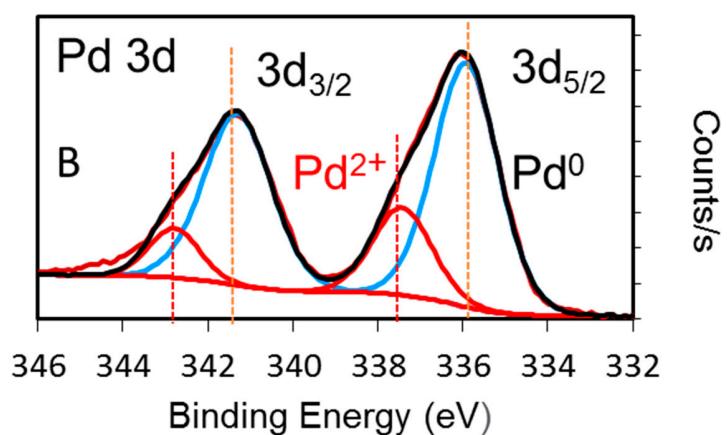
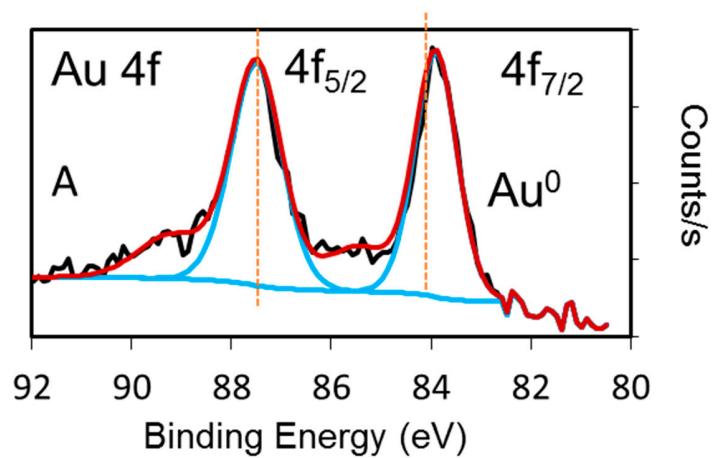


Figure S4. XPS Au 4f (A) and XPS Pd 3d (B) of as prepared 1.22 wt. % Au – 1.97 wt. % Pd / TiO<sub>2</sub> (anatase + rutile).

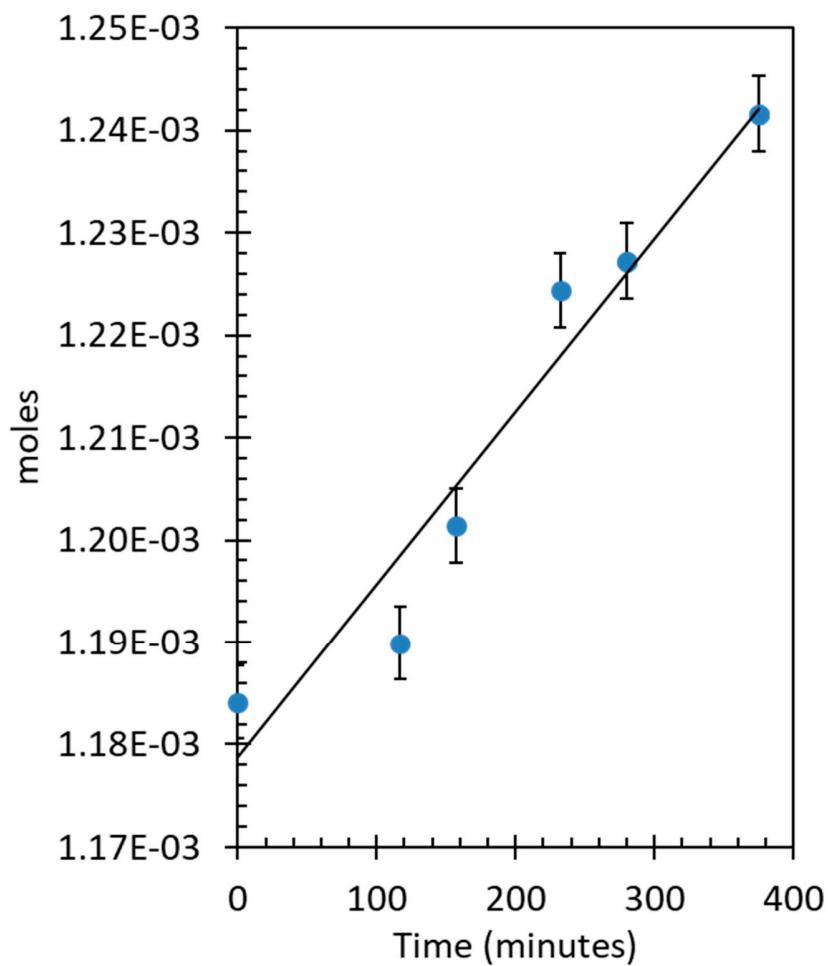


Figure S5. O<sub>2</sub> evolution reaction over 40 mg of same catalyst in A with 1000 mg of Ce(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.15M) using 40 mg of catalyst.

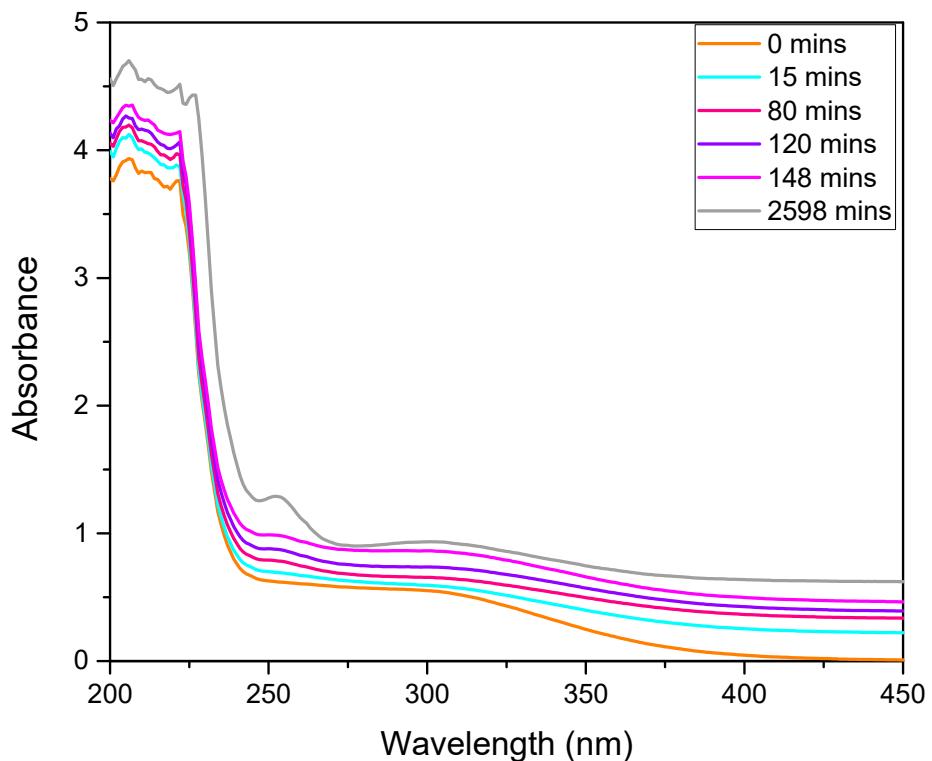


Figure S6. UV-Vis absorption spectra were obtained at different intervals of time after the addition of catalyst  $\text{IrO}_2 / \text{TiO}_2$  (anatase) in 0.18 M CAN. Spectra were obtained by diluting the concentration of the mixture to  $2.74 \times 10^{-4}$  M (Ce concentration).

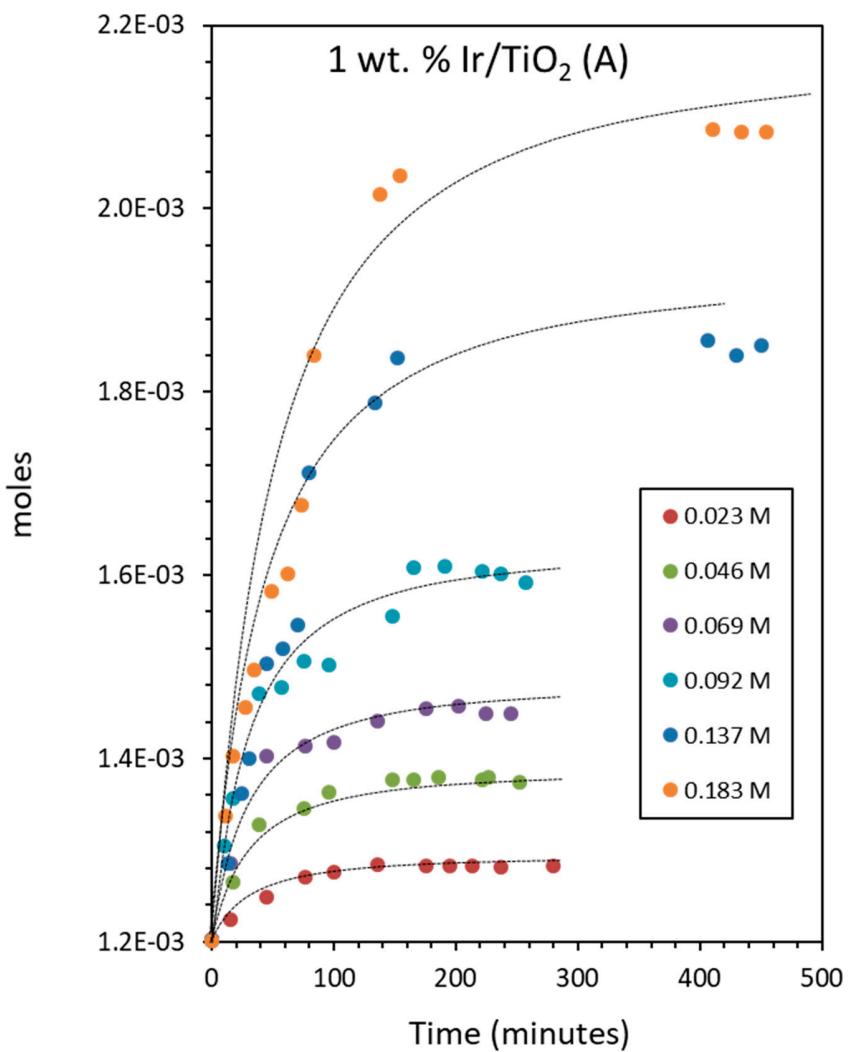


Figure S7. O<sub>2</sub> evolution reaction over 1 wt.% IrO<sub>2</sub> / TiO<sub>2</sub> (anatase) using 20 mg of catalyst, the concentration of CAN ranges from 0.0456-0.184 M (500-2000 mg) in 20 mL of water for prolonged periods. The lines are a guide to the eyes.

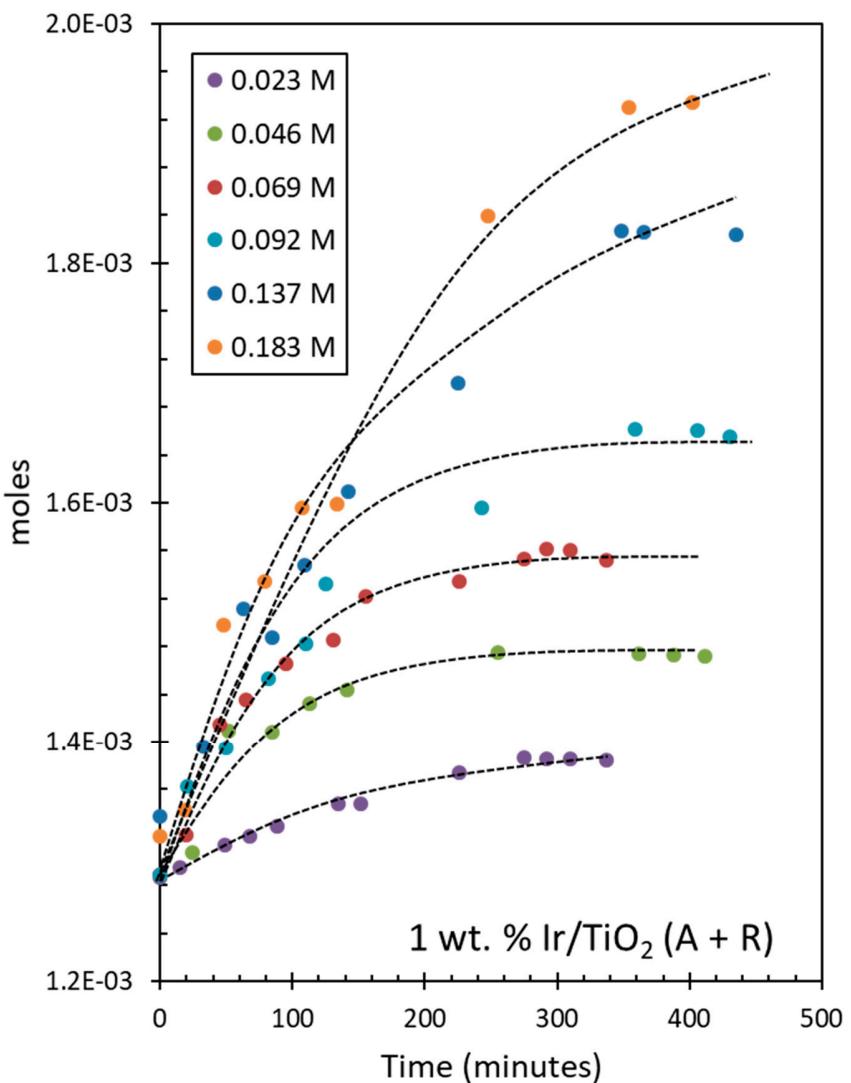


Figure S8. O<sub>2</sub> evolution reaction over 1 wt.% IrO<sub>2</sub> / TiO<sub>2</sub> (anatase + rutile) using 20 mg of catalyst, the concentration of CAN ranges from 0.023-0.184 M (250-2000 mg) in 20 mL of water for prolonged periods. The lines are a guide to the eyes.

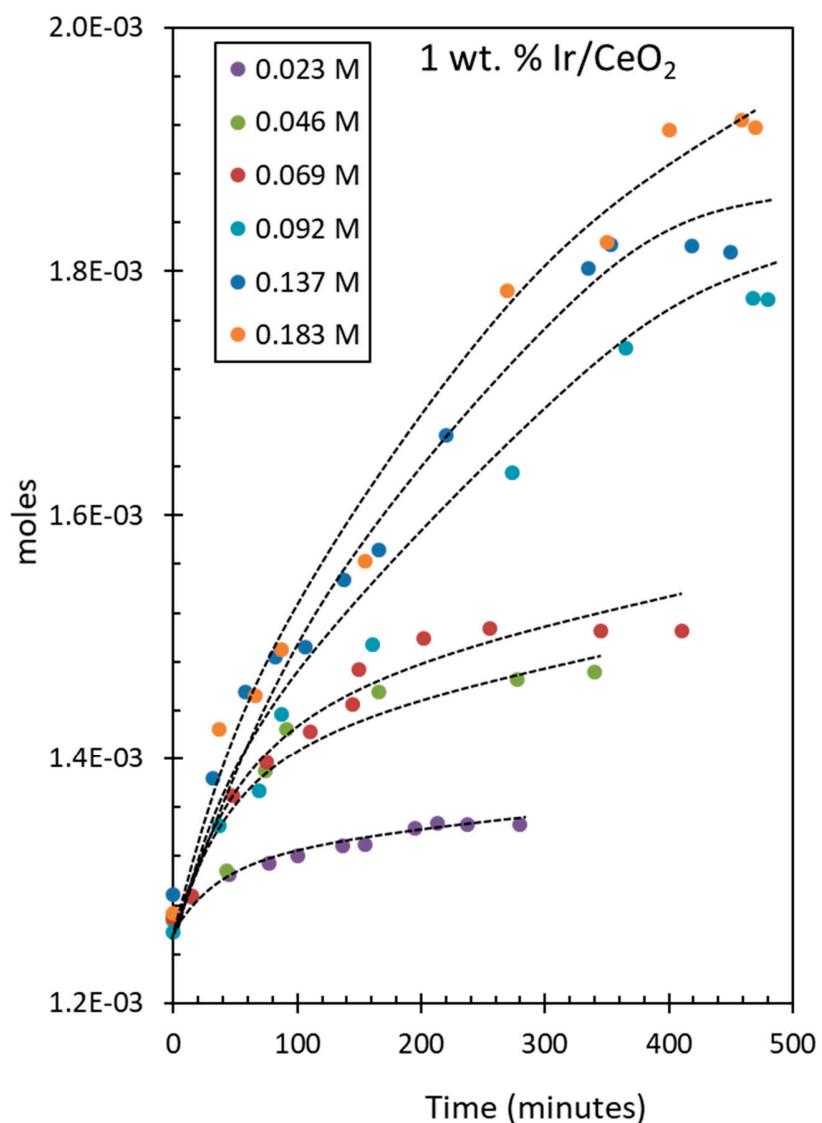


Figure S9. O<sub>2</sub> evolution reaction over 1 wt. %-IrO<sub>2</sub> / CeO<sub>2</sub> using 20 mg of catalyst, the concentration of CAN ranges from 0.023-0.184 M (250-2000mg) in 20 mL of water for prolonged periods. The lines are a guide to the eyes.

Table S1. Example for the calculation of TONs and TOFs for a Au-Pd catalyst with different CAN concentrations.

Catalyst: 1.45 wt. % Au – 1.57 wt. % Pd / TiO<sub>2</sub> (anatase + rutile). TONs are calculated after 400 minutes. TOFs are calculated from the linear part of the O<sub>2</sub> production (up 150 minutes).

CAN weight (mg)	O <sub>2</sub> (moles)	catalyst weight (g)	Au weight (g)	moles of Au	Pd weight (g)	moles of Pd	TON moles of O <sub>2</sub> / moles of metal	Rate, moles O <sub>2</sub> /min	TOF (min <sup>-1</sup> ) Rates/moles (Au +Pd)
250	5.76 10 <sup>-5</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	13.02	2.89 10 <sup>-7</sup>	0.07
500	9.38 10 <sup>-5</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	21.20	6.32 10 <sup>-7</sup>	0.14
750	1.67 10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	37.75	6.96 10 <sup>-7</sup>	0.16
1000	3.17 10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	71.77	7.32 10 <sup>-7</sup>	0.17
1500	4.77 10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	107.81	1.49 10 <sup>-7</sup>	0.34
2000	5.37 10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	121.33	1.57 10 <sup>-7</sup>	0.35
5000	1.99 10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.02	0.00029	1.47 10 <sup>-6</sup>	0.000314	2.95 10 <sup>-6</sup>	450.10		