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Correction: Weakening hydrogen adsorption on nickel via interstitial nitrogen doping promotes bifunctional hydrogen electrocatalysis in alkaline solution

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In the original manuscript, we inadvertently missed one important result from the original ref. 28 by Oshchepkov et al.¹ for the comparison in Table S1 in the electronic supporting information (ESI†). That work reported the preparation of nanostructured nickel nanoparticles supported on vulcan carbon as an active catalyst for the hydrogen oxidation reaction (HOR) in alkaline media. RDE measurements revealed a mass-specific kinetic current ($J_{\rm mk}$) of 32.1 ± 4.8 mA $g_{\rm Ni}^{-1}$ and a mass specific exchange current $(J_{\rm m0})$ of 22.4 ± 4.3 mA g_{Ni}⁻¹ at the catalyst loading of 0.073 ± 0.009 mg cm⁻² (later provided by the authors of ref. 1 through email communication) in 0.1 M NaOH. Both values are higher than those reported in our manuscript even though we believe that this is at least partly due to the very low catalyst loading the authors adopted for HOR RDE measurements. This correction doesn't affect the scientific content of our work.

Table S1 should appear as follows.

The following discussion of the manuscript should be corrected as follows, with the changes indicated in bold:

On p. 5: "Remarkably, we find that both J_{mk} and J_{m0} of our np-Ni₃N are significantly improved compared to most previous Ni-based HOR electrocatalysts as summarized in Fig. 3c and Table S1 (ESI[†])".

In the Conclusion: "All these metrics were superior to most existing non-precious-metal-based electrocatalysts to our best knowledge".

Electrocatalyst	Electrolyte	$T/^{\circ}\mathbf{C}$	$Loading/mg_{metal} \ cm^{-2}$	$J_{\rm mk}/{\rm A~g^{-1}}$ (a) η = 50 mV	$J_{ m m0}/{ m A~g^{-1}}$	Ref.
np-Ni ₃ N	0.1 M KOH	25	0.16	29.75	10.3	This work
Ch-activated NiED/XC-72	0.1 M NaOH	25	0.073 ± 0.009^{a}	32.1 ± 4.8	22.4 ± 4.3	J. Power Sources, 2018, 402, 447
Ni/N-CNT	0.1 M KOH	RT	0.25	9.3	3.54	Nat. Commun., 2016, 7, 10141
Ni/CNT	0.1 M KOH	RT	0.25	1.9	0.98	Nat. Commun., 2016, 7, 10141
Ni	0.1 M KOH	RT	0.25	0.28	0.15	Nat. Commun., 2016, 7, 10141
50% Ni ₉ Mo ₁ /KB	0.1 M NaOH	25		_	4.5	J. Mater. Chem. A, 2017, 5, 24433
$Ni_{0.95}Cu_{0.05}/C$			0.25		2.5	J. Electroanal. Chem., 2016, 783, 14
Ni ₃ @h-(BN) ₁ /C-700NH ₃	0.1 M NaOH	RT		_	3.3	Chem. Sci., 2017, 8, 5728

^{*a*} Value provided by the authors through email communication.

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