

Supporting Information for

Efficient CO₂ Reduction to Formate on CsPbI₃ Nanocrystals Wrapped with Reduced Graphene Oxide

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Supplementary Figures and Tables

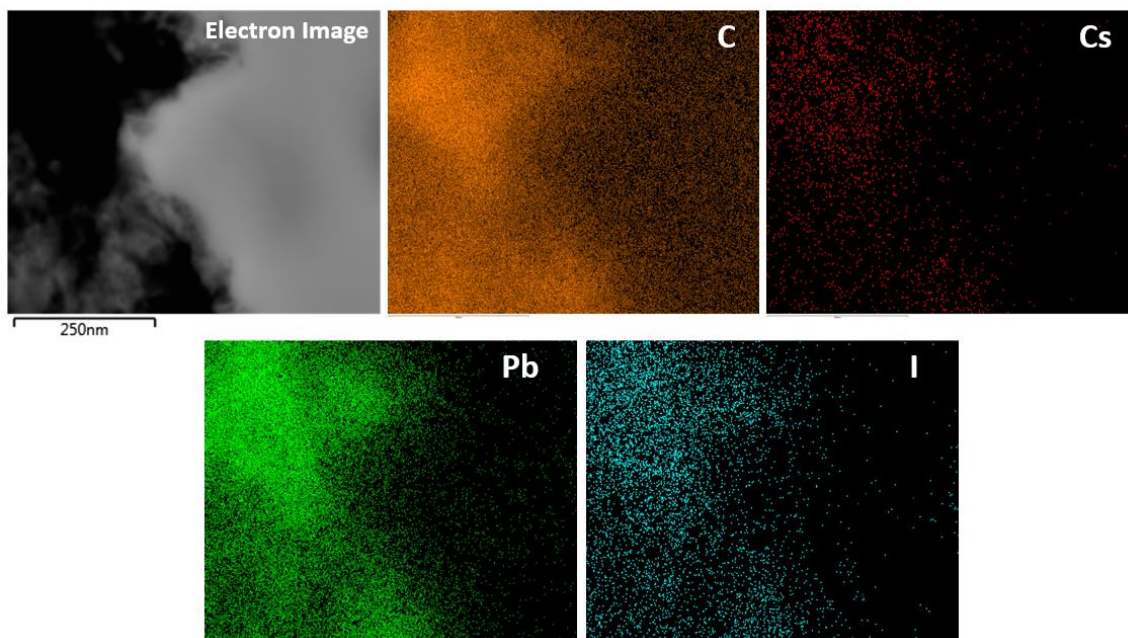


Fig. S1 EDX elemental mapping of CsPbI₃/rGO composite showing the distribution of Cs, Pb and I on the C matrix

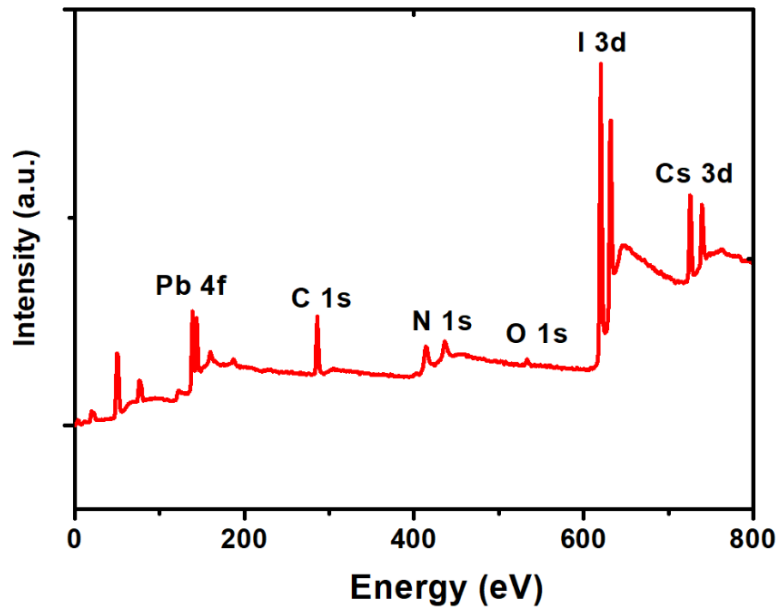


Fig. S2 XPS survey scan of CsPbI₃/rGO composite

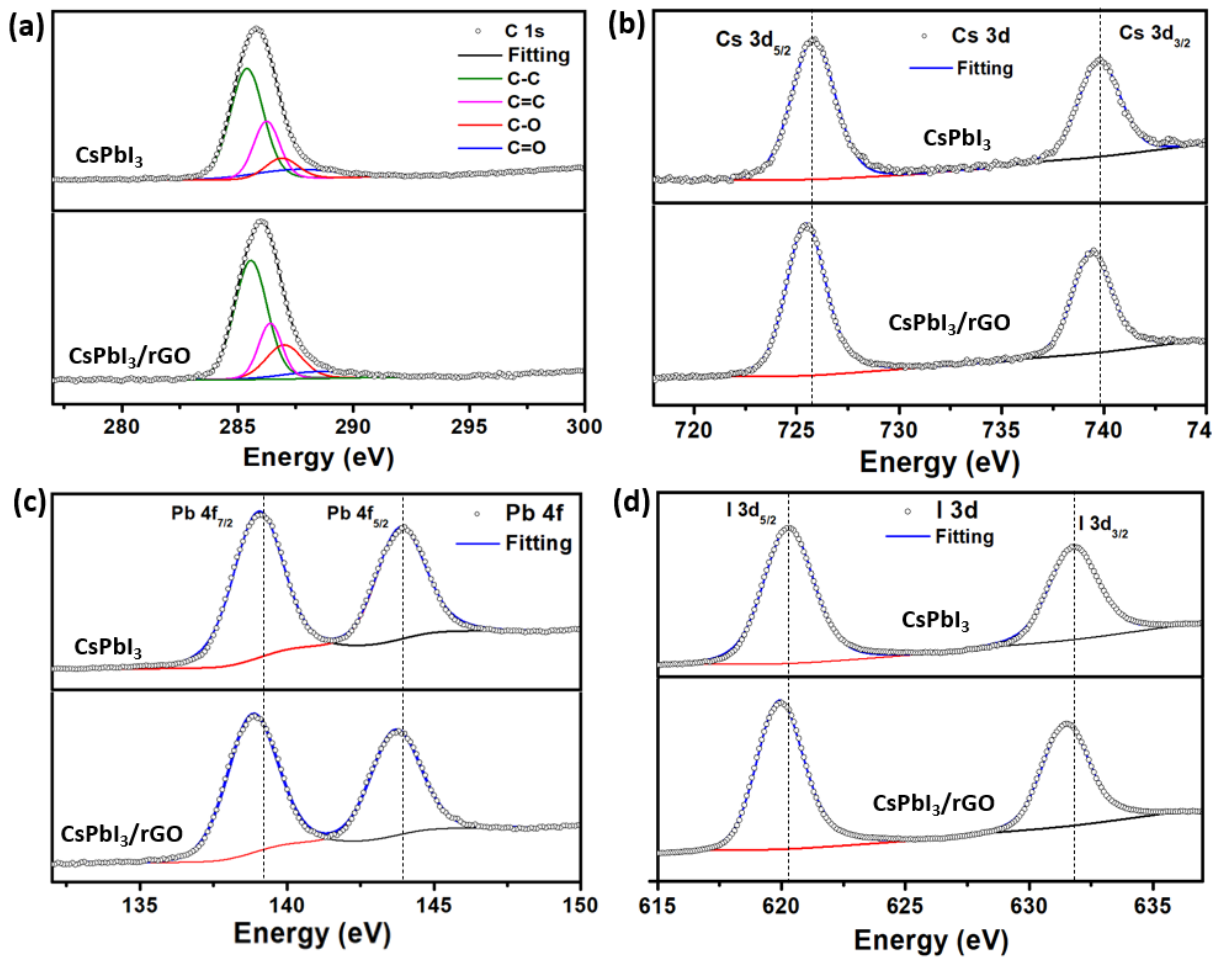


Fig. S3 XPS spectra of CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO NCs showing characteristic peaks of Cs 3d, Pb 4f, I 3d and C 1s

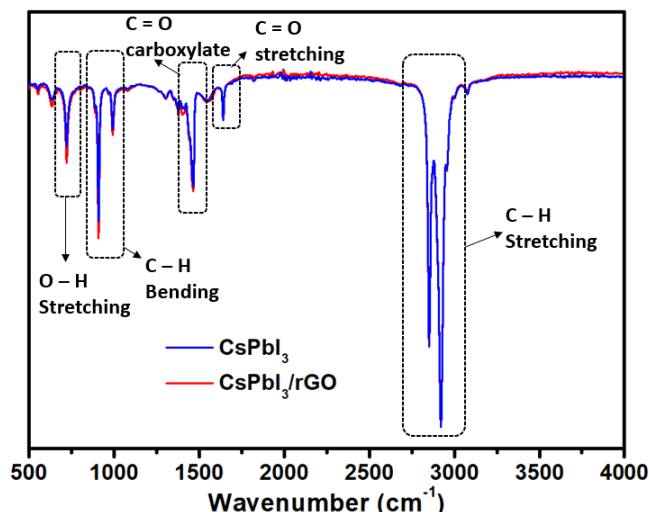


Fig. S4 Fourier-transform infrared spectra of CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO showing clear vibration peaks of surface ligand

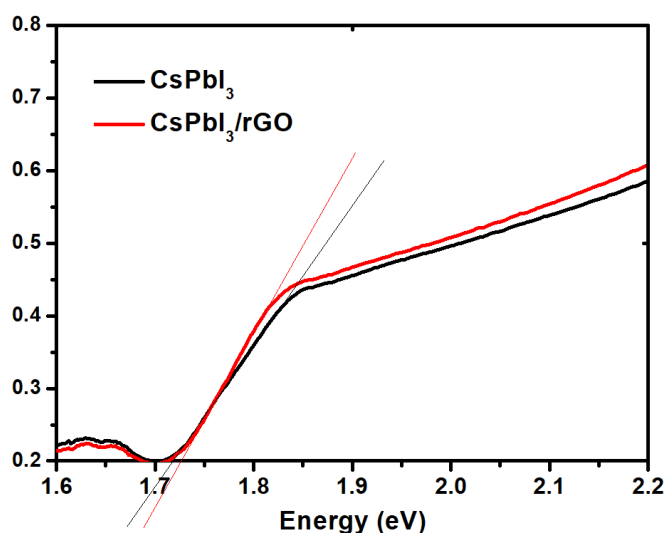


Fig. S5 Tauc plot showing the bandgap of CsPbI₃ NCs and CsPbI₃/rGO composite

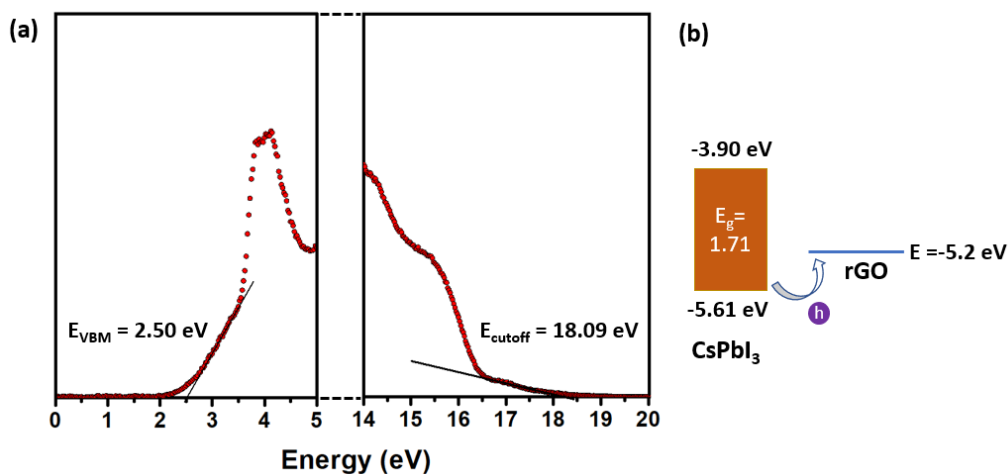


Fig. S6 (a) UPS measurement of CsPbI₃ NCs showing fitting for valence band maximum and cut-off energy; (b) Illustration of energy band alignment between CsPbI₃ and rGO calculated from UPS and band gap measurement. With $E_{\text{valence band}} = E_{\text{HeI}} + E_{\text{cutoff}} - E_{\text{VBM}}$

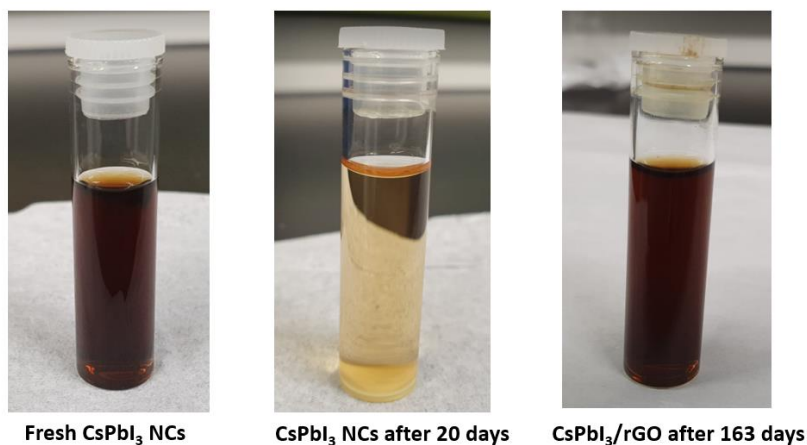


Fig. S7 Picture showing solution of CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO in hexane after storage in ambient condition for long time

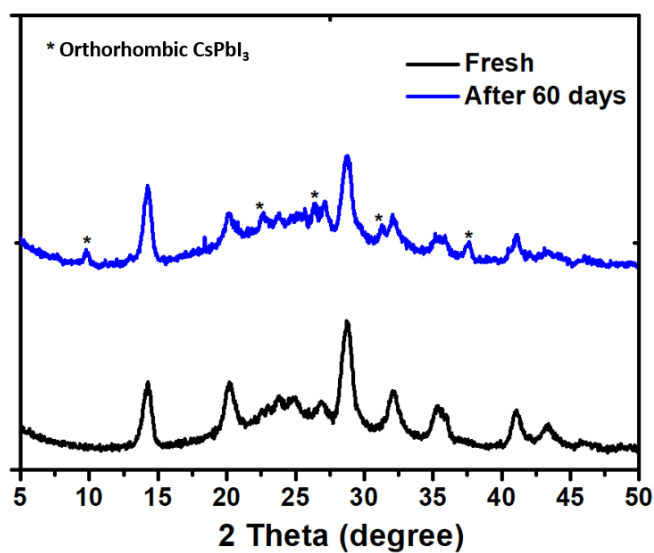


Fig. S8 XRD spectra of CsPbI₃/rGO composite after keep in ambient condition for 60 days, in comparison with the XRD of the fresh samples

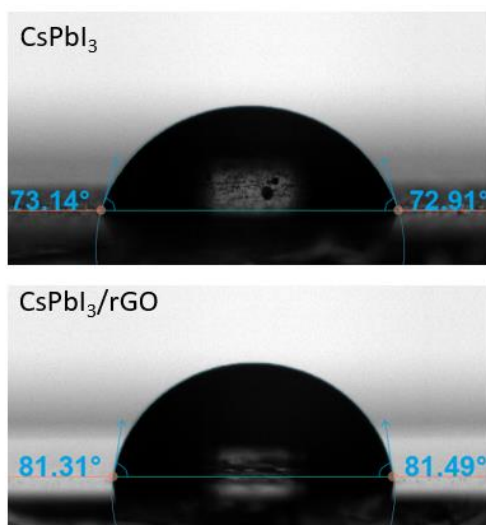


Fig. S9 Water contact angle measurement of CsPbI₃ NCs film and CsPbI₃/rGO film on glass substrate

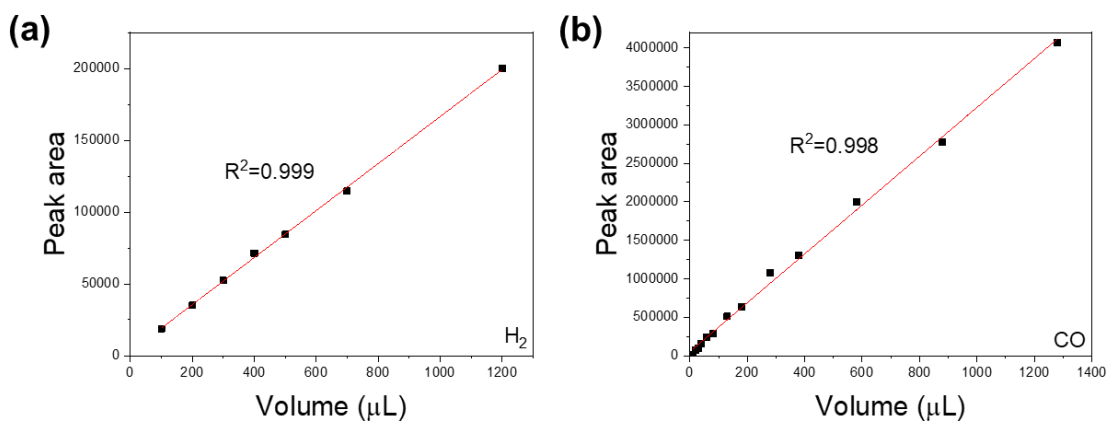


Fig. S10 GC calibration curves of (a) H₂ and (b) CO

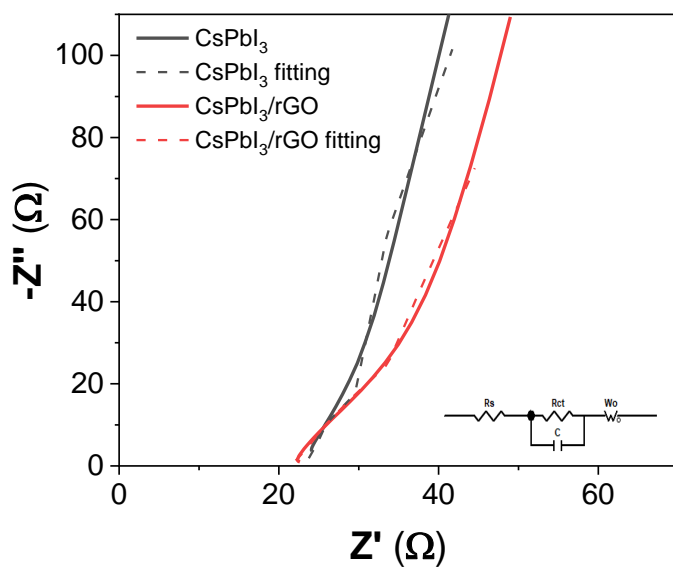


Fig. S11 EIS spectra of CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO in CO₂ saturated 0.1 M KHCO₃ under 0 V_{RHE} and fitting graph of EIS spectra

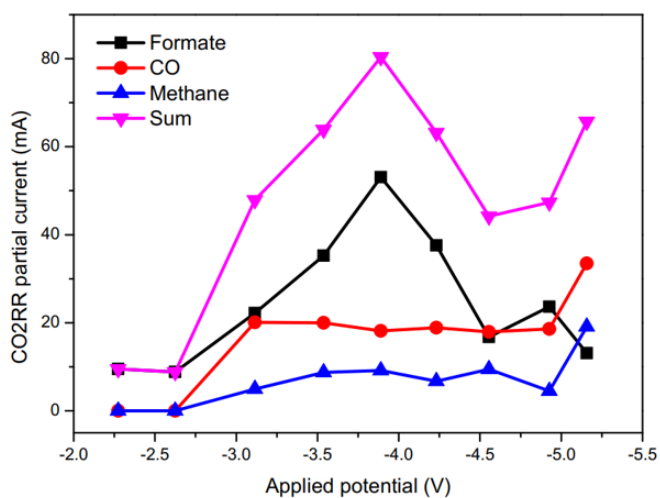


Fig. S12 The CO₂RR performance of the CsPbI₃/rGO catalyst in a 2-electrode flow-cell system

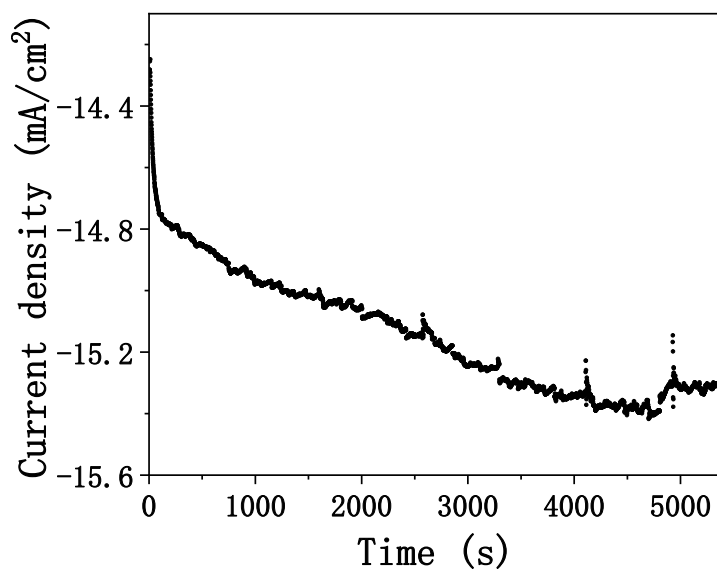


Fig. S13 The performance of rGO catalyst under CO₂RR conditions at -1.45 V_{RHE}

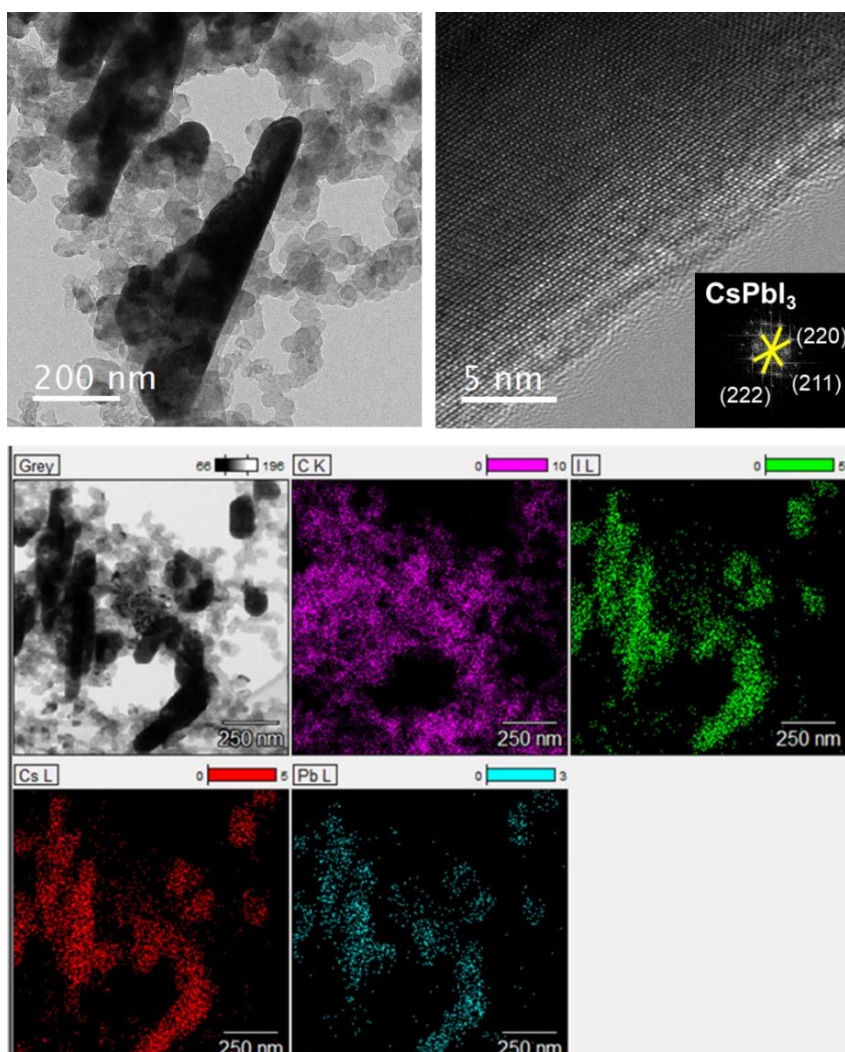


Fig. S14 TEM images and corresponding EDX elemental mapping of CsPbI₃/rGO after stability test under -1.45 V_{RHE}

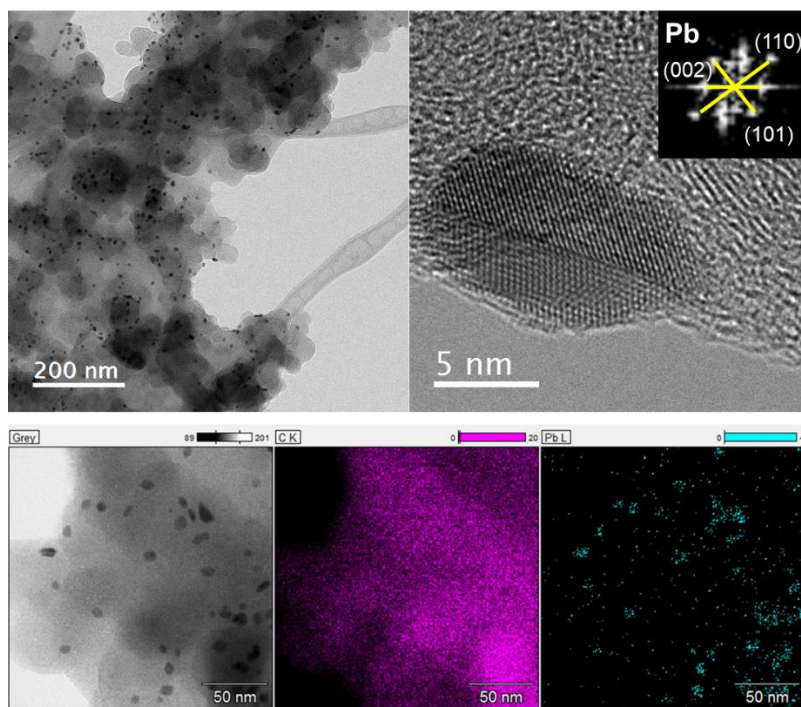


Fig. S15 TEM images and corresponding EDX elemental mapping of CsPbI₃ after stability test under -1.45 V_{RHE}

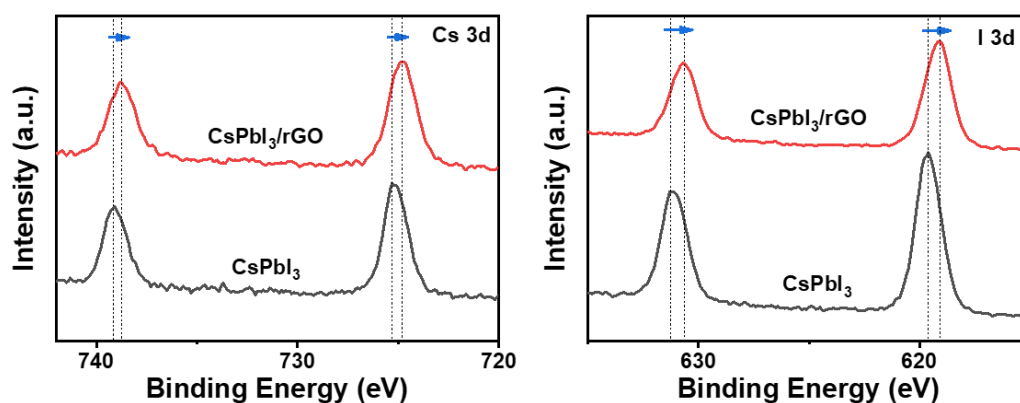


Fig. S16 XPS Cs 3d and I 3d spectra of fresh electrodes with CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO

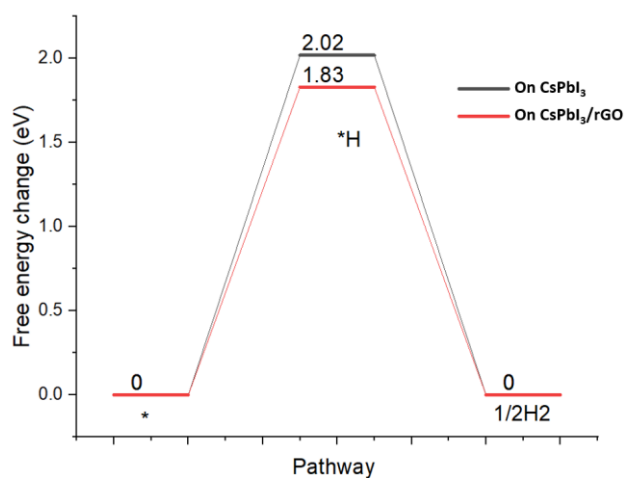


Fig. S17 Free-Energy Diagrams for the energetics of HER process when CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO were used

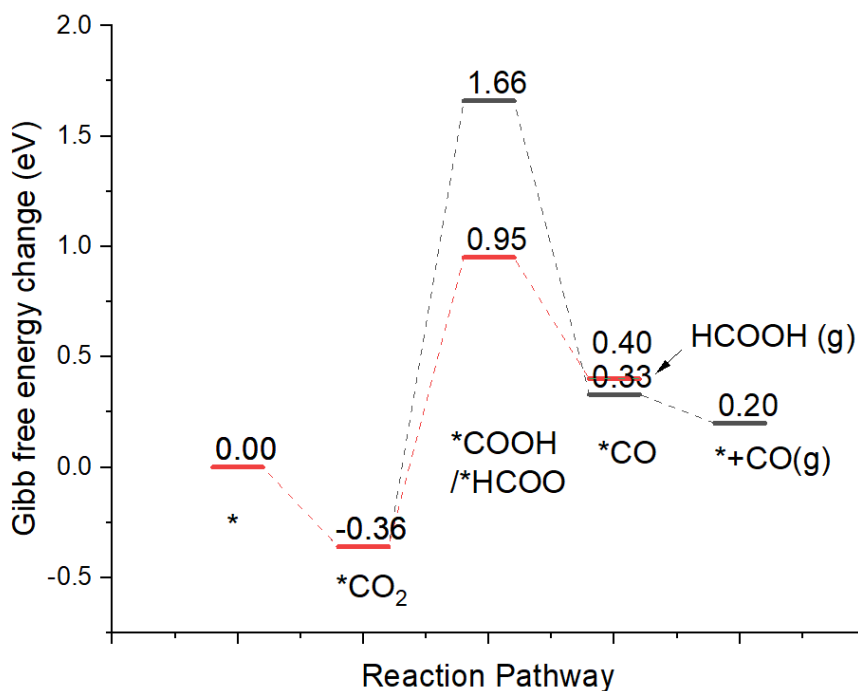


Fig. S18 Free-Energy Diagrams for the energetics of CO₂ reduction process when CsPbI₃ with Pb vacancy defects was used

Table S1 Relative PLQY detail calculation using Rhodamine 6G as reference dye [S1, S2]

| $Q_x = Q_R \frac{I_x A_R n_x^2}{I_R A_x n_R^2}$ | Absorbance (at 350 nm) | Integrated intensity | PL | FWHM (nm) | PLQY (%) |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|----|--------------|----------|
| Rhodamine 6G | 0.098 | 27787.82 | | 34.49 | 95.0 |
| CsPbI ₃ | 0.101 | 21572.05 | | 34.96 | 73.0 |
| CsPbI ₃ /rGO | 0.094 | 13878.30 | | 38.70 | 50.5 |

Table S2 Fitted TR-PL data of CsPbI₃ and CsPbI₃/rGO

| Sample | τ_1 (ns) | A ₁ (%) | τ_2 (ns) | A ₂ (%) | τ_3 (ns) | A ₃ (%) | τ_{ave} (ns) |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| CsPbI ₃ | 11.508 | 15.0 | 28.659 | 61.9 | 93.603 | 23.1 | 62.11 |
| CsPbI ₃ /rGO | 12.546 | 40.6 | 61.100 | 37.5 | 2.050 | 21.9 | 51.48 |

The PL decay was fitted with a tri-exponential decay function [S3]:

$$I(t) = \sum_{i=1}^3 A_i \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_i}\right)$$

Table S3 Fitted data of the EIS measurement in Fig. S11

| | R _s (Ω) | R _{ct} (Ω) | W _o -R (Ω) |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| CsPbI ₃ | 23.06 | 111.3 | 23.91 |
| CsPbI ₃ /rGo | 21.37 | 60.91 | 38.1 |

Table S3 Comparison of the performance of our developed CsPbI₃/rGO catalyst with other recently reported other perovskite-based and metal-based catalyst for electrochemical reduction of CO₂

| | Sample | Products | Max. FE, % | Stability | Current Density (mA/cm ²) | Refs. |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Perovskite | CsPbI ₃ /rGO | HCOO ⁻ | 95.9 | 10.5 h, FE _{HCOO-} 76.4% | 12.7 | This work |
| | CsPbBr ₃ nanocrystals | CH ₄ , CO | 32 for CH ₄ , 40 for CO | 350 h | | [S4] |
| | Cs ₂ PdBr ₆ | CO | 78 | 10 h | | [S5] |
| | Cs ₃ Bi ₂ Br ₉ | HCOOH | 80 | 20 h | | [S6] |
| | La _{0.5} Ba _{0.5} CoO ₃ | HCOO ⁻ | 99 | 60 h, FE _{HCOO-} 90% | | [S7] |
| | La ₂ CuO ₄ | C ₂ H ₄ | 40.3 | - | | [S8] |
| Pb-based catalysts | Sulfide-derived (SD)-Pb | HCOO ⁻ | 88 | - | 12 | [S9] |
| | Pb-MOF | HCOOH | 96.8 | - | | [S10] |
| | Sn-Pb | HCOO ⁻ | 79.8 | - | | [S11] |
| | Pd ₃ Bi | HCOO ⁻ | ~ 100 | - | | [S12] |
| Sn, Bi and In-based catalysts | Sn-pNWs | HCOOH | 80 | - | | [S13] |
| | Bi nanodendrites | HCOO ⁻ | 96.4 | 10 h | 15.2 | [S14] |
| | Sulfur-doped indium | HCOO ⁻ | 93 | - | | [S15] |

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