Solution-Grown Dendritic Pt-Based Ternary Nanostructures for Enhanced Oxygen Reduction Reaction Functionality

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Figures S1–S9

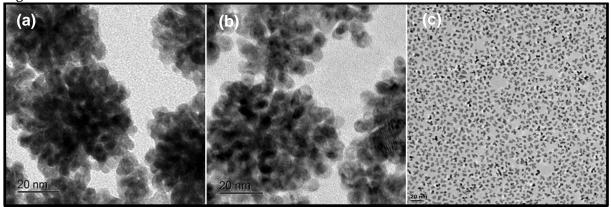


Figure S1. Bright field STEM micrographs of binary Pt-based nanostructures, synthesized using 1:1 feed ratios: (a) PtCo, (b) PtNi and (c) PtFe.

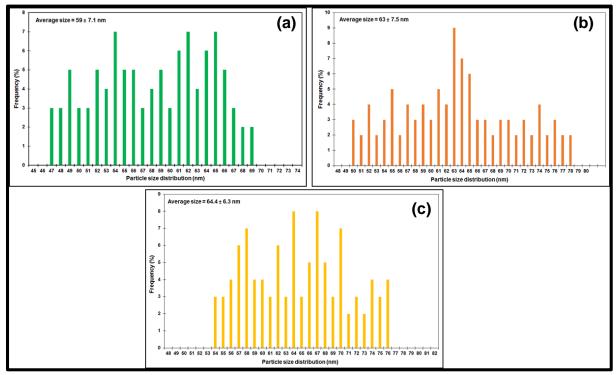


Figure S2. Particle size (nm) histograms of (a) Pt₃(NiCo)₂, (b) Pt₄(NiCo) and (c) Pt₅(NiCo) alloy nanostructures.

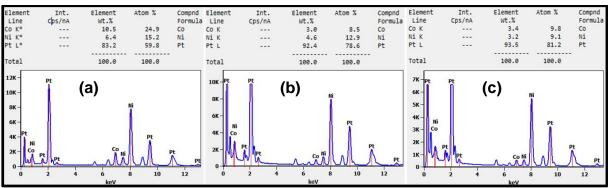


Figure S3. EDX spectra and elemental compositions of (**a**) Pt₃(NiCo)₂, (**b**) Pt₄(NiCo) and (**c**) Pt₅(NiCo) ternary alloy nanostructures.

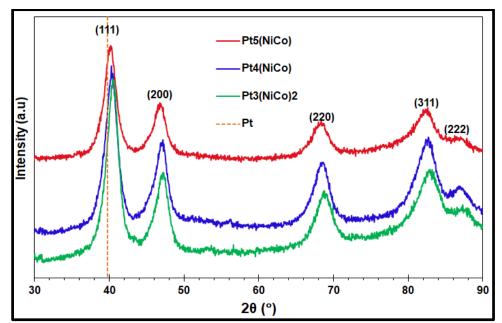


Figure S4. XRD patterns of Pt₃(NiCo)₂, Pt₄(NiCo) and Pt₅(NiCo) nanoalloys. The {111} peak position of pure Pt is indicated.

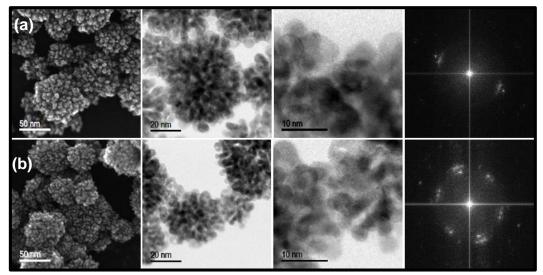


Figure S5. SEM (SE) images, BF-STEM images, HR-STEM images and the corresponding FFT patterns of binary (**a**) PtNi and (**b**) PtCo nanostructures.

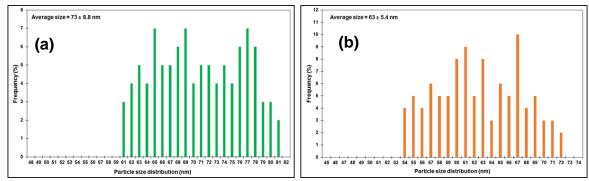


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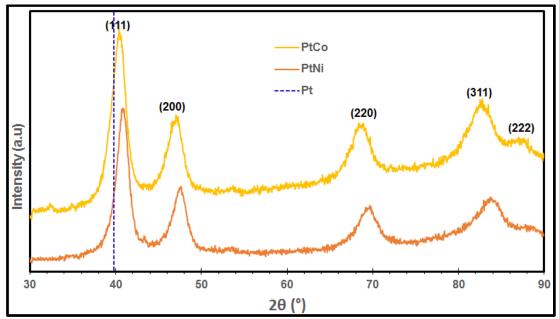


Figure S7. XRD patterns of binary PtCo and PtNi alloy nanoparticles. The position of the Pt(111) peak is shown as a dotted line.

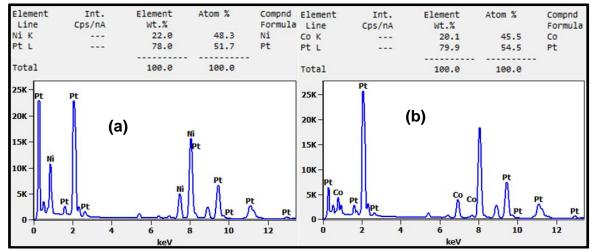


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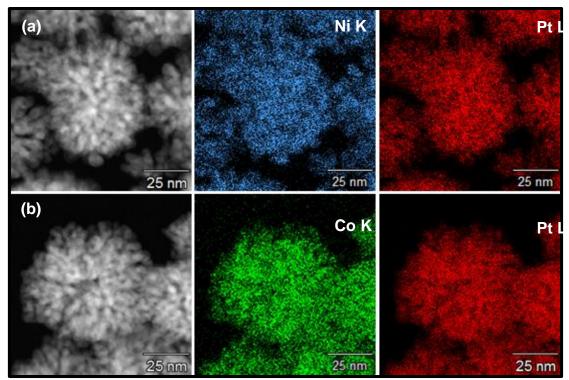


Figure S9. HAADF-STEM-EDS analysis: nanoscale elemental mapping of (**a**) PtNi and (**b**) PtCo nanostructures, showing uniform atomic distributions of alloying elements (Ni or Co) and Pt within individual particles.

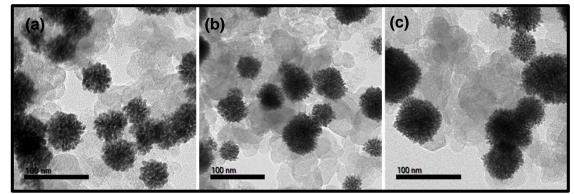


Figure S10. TEM images of (**a**) Pt₃(NiCo)₂, (**b**) Pt₄(NiCo) and (**c**) Pt₅(NiCo) nanoalloys, dispersed on high surface area carbon (Vulcan XC-72R).