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## Appendix A

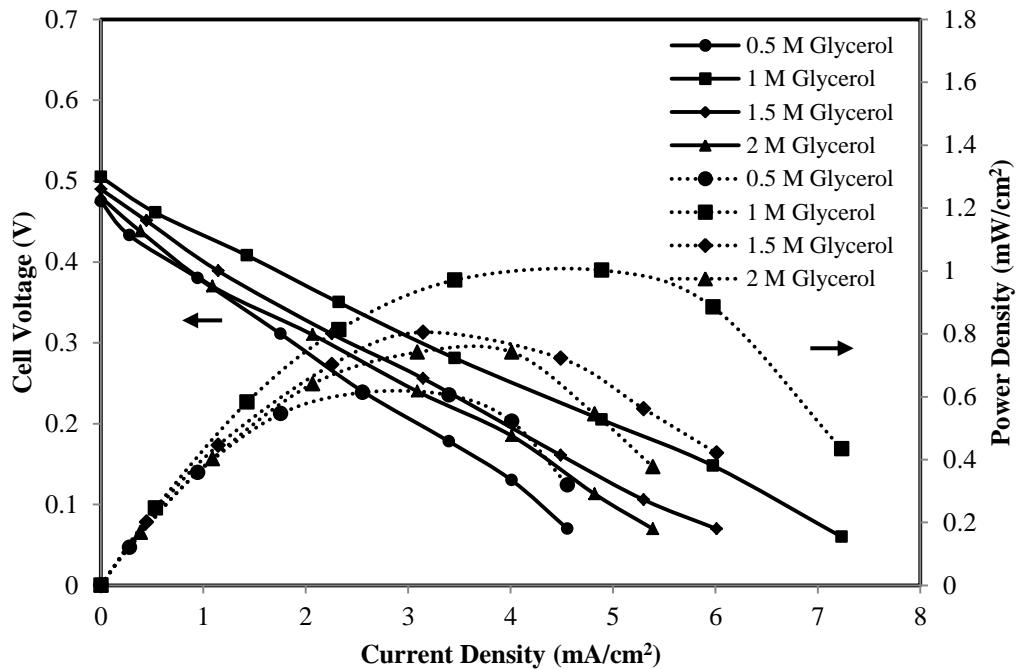


**Figure A1** Photographic view of the air breathing Y-shaped MFC experimental setup.

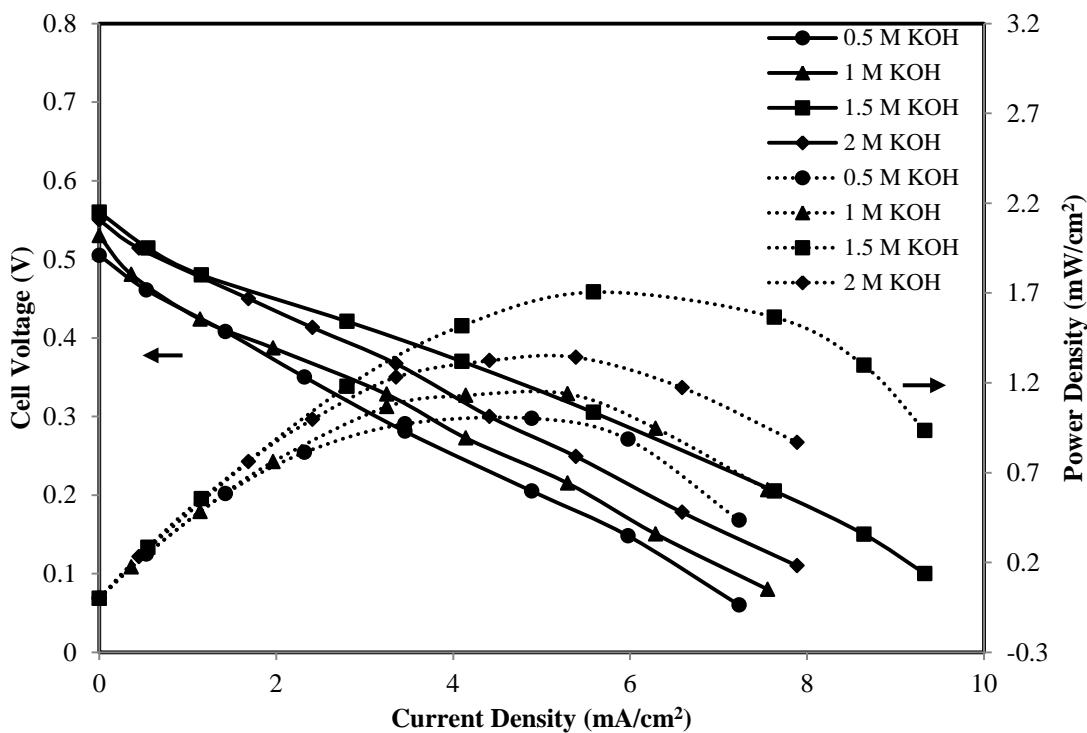


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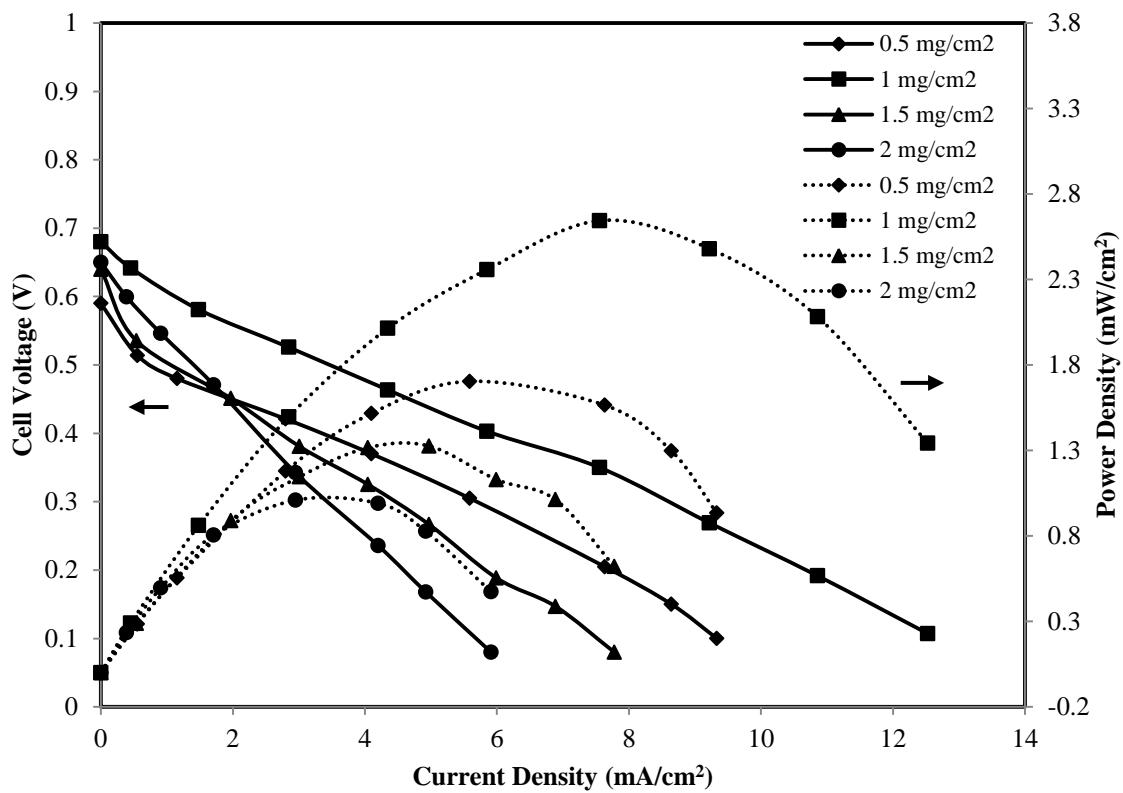
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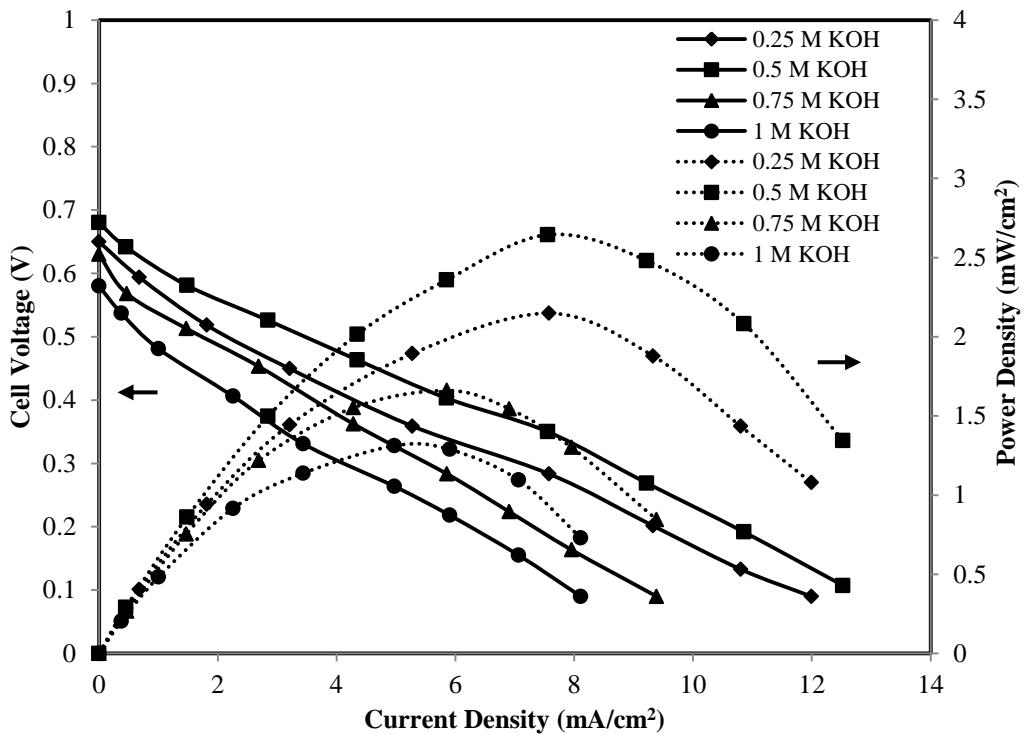
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**Figure B2** Current density vs. cell voltage and power density curves for varying anode electrolyte concentration (B), A= 1M glycerol, C = 0.5 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> and D = 0.5 M KOH; Solid line -polarization curves, Dotted line- power density curves.

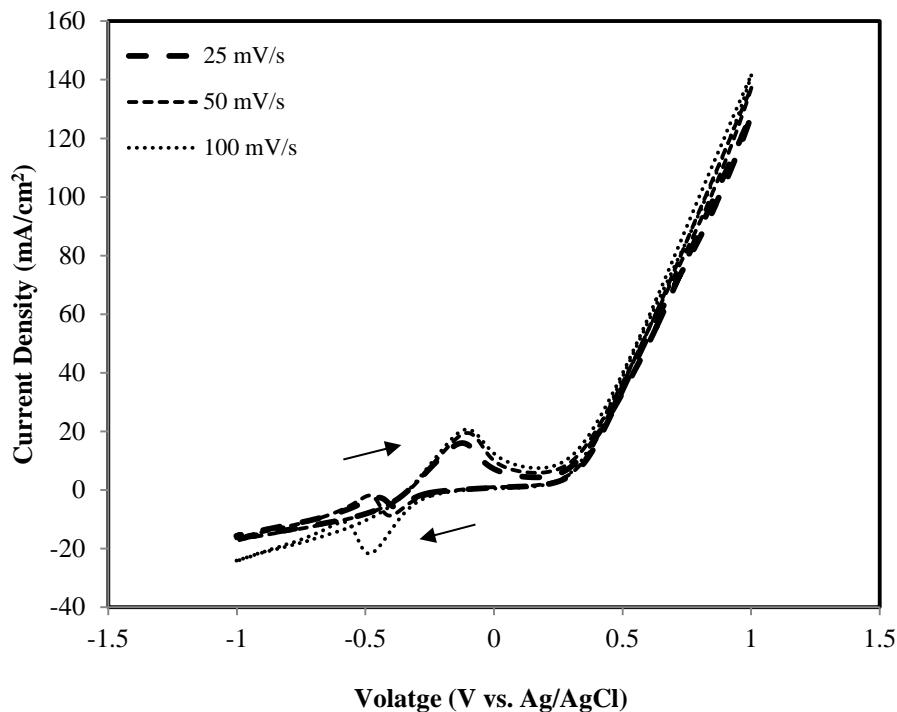


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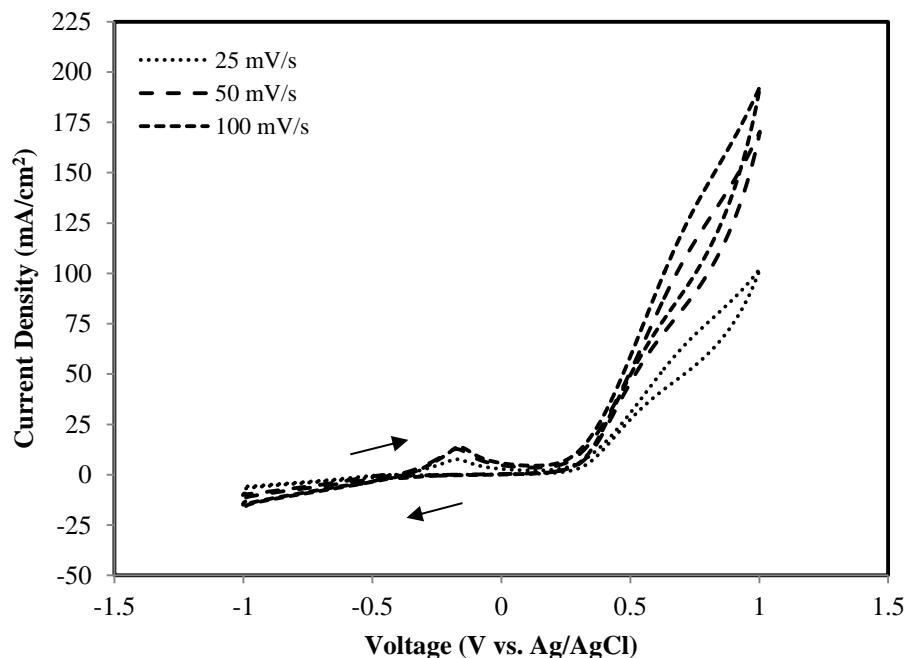


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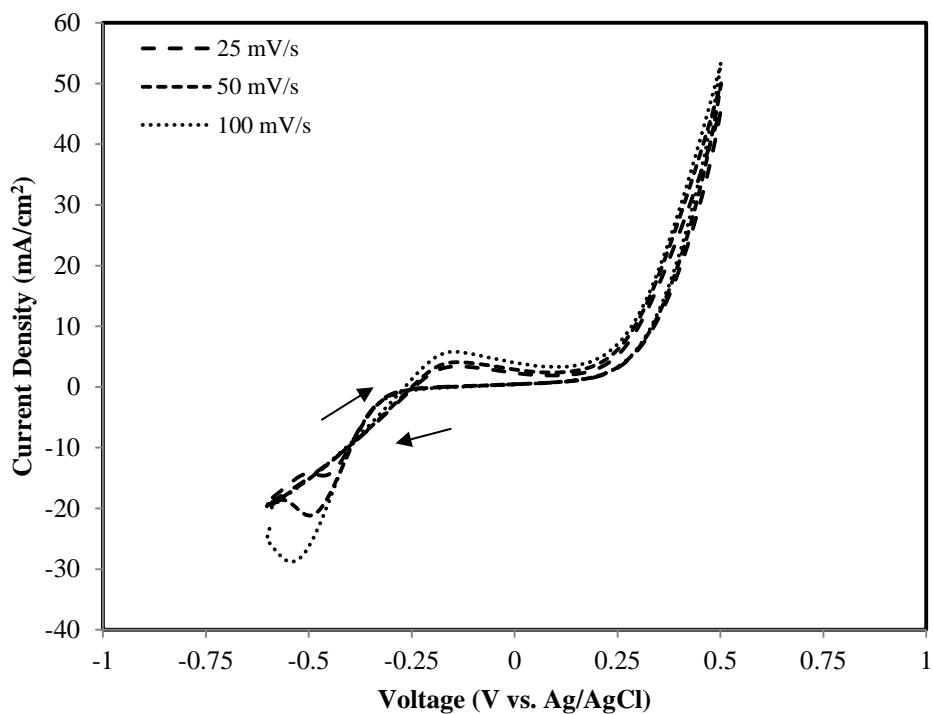
## APPENDIX C



**Figure C1** Cyclic voltammetry for 1 M glycerol mixed with 1 M KOH at different scan rate on Pd-Ni (16:4)/C anode at the loading of  $1 \text{ mg/cm}^2$  at a temperature of  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .

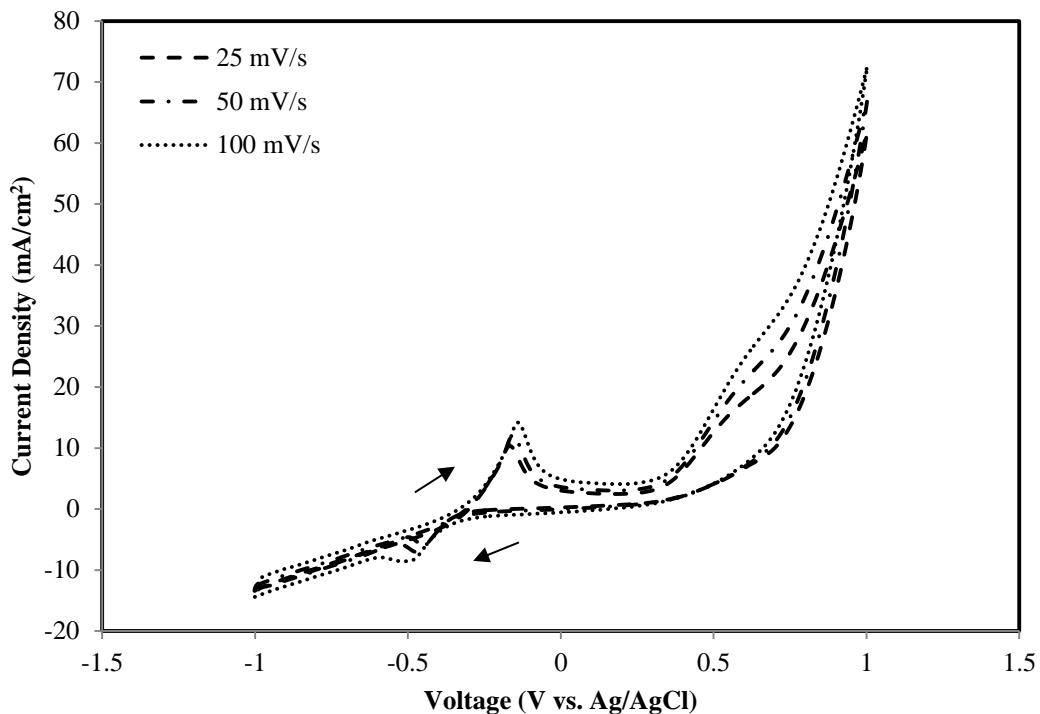


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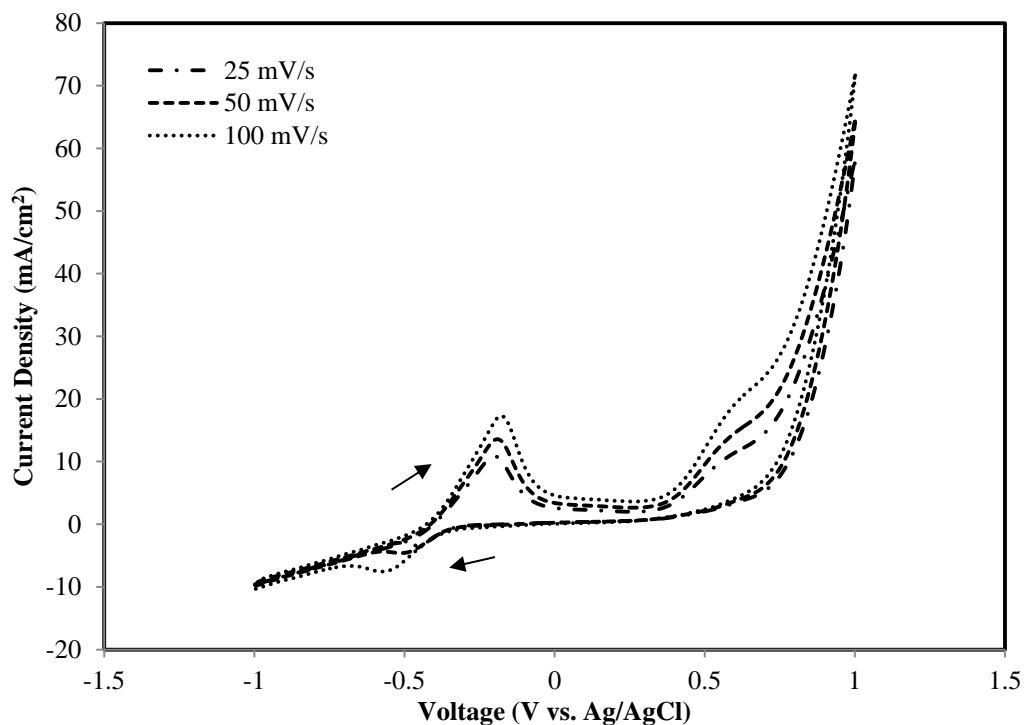


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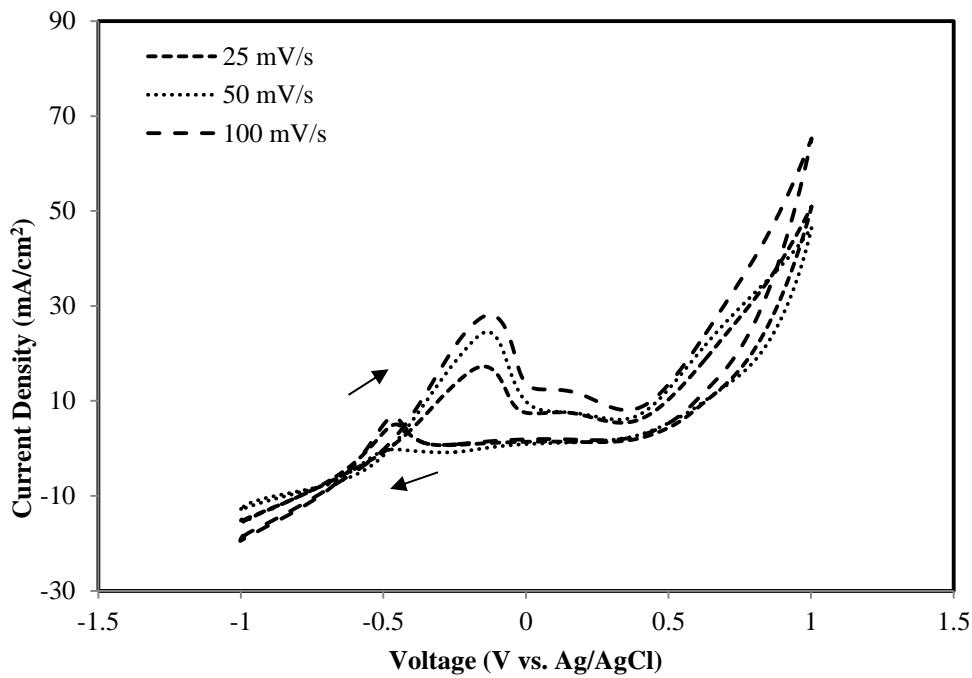
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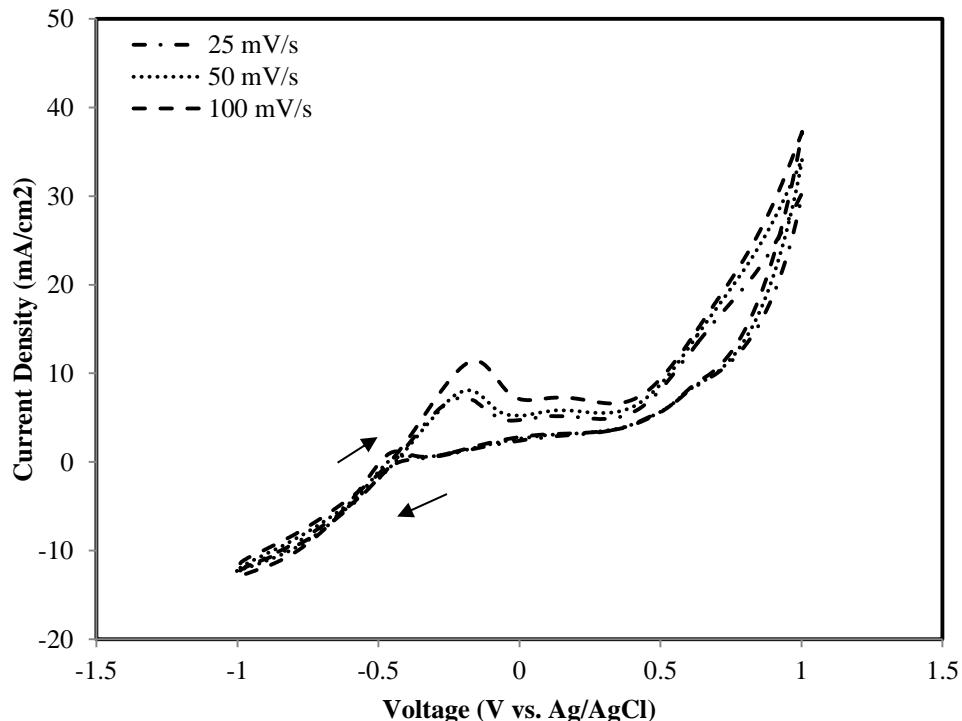
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**Figure D2** Cyclic voltammetry for 1 M glycerol mixed with 1 M KOH at different scan rate on Pd-Pt (16:4)/C anode at the loading of  $1 \text{ mg/cm}^2$  at a temperature of  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Figure D3** Cyclic voltammetry for 1 M glycerol mixed with 1 M KOH at different scan rate on Pd-Pt (10:10)/C anode at the loading of  $1 \text{ mg/cm}^2$  at a temperature of  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Figure D4** Cyclic voltammetry for 1 M glycerol mixed with 1 M KOH at different scan rate on Pd-Pt (4:16)/C anode at the loading of  $1 \text{ mg/cm}^2$  at a temperature of  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .

## Appendix E

**Table E1** Experimental data of polarization and power density curves for all 29 experiments obtained from BBD arrangements.

| Run | Experimental conditions |                              |                                                        |                                 | Experimental results |                                       |                                     |
|-----|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|     | A-glycerol conc. (M)    | B-anode electrolyte conc.(M) | C- anode electrocatalyst loading (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | D-cathode electrolyte conc. (M) | Cell Voltage (V)     | Current density (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Power density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
| 1   | 1                       | 1                            | 1                                                      | 0.75                            | 0.66                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.59                 | 0.72                                  | 0.43                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.50                 | 2.07                                  | 1.04                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.43                 | 3.74                                  | 1.60                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.35                 | 5.14                                  | 1.81                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.28                 | 6.91                                  | 1.90                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.20                 | 8.58                                  | 1.70                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.15                 | 10.07                                 | 1.55                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.09                 | 11.22                                 | 0.99                                |
| 2   | 1                       | 1                            | 1.5                                                    | 0.5                             | 0.60                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.54                 | 0.80                                  | 0.43                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.48                 | 1.65                                  | 0.79                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.42                 | 2.62                                  | 1.11                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.36                 | 3.76                                  | 1.35                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.27                 | 5.02                                  | 1.38                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.19                 | 6.01                                  | 1.13                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.13                 | 6.71                                  | 0.84                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.64                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
| 3   | 1                       | 1.5                          | 1.5                                                    | 0.75                            | 0.60                 | 0.66                                  | 0.39                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.54                 | 1.71                                  | 0.93                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.47                 | 3.28                                  | 1.55                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.42                 | 4.55                                  | 1.89                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.36                 | 5.88                                  | 2.09                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.32                 | 6.93                                  | 2.22                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.24                 | 8.41                                  | 1.98                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.14                 | 9.84                                  | 1.41                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.08                 | 10.89                                 | 0.87                                |
| 4   | 1                       | 2                            | 0.5                                                    | 0.5                             | 0.56                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.51                 | 0.45                                  | 0.23                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.46                 | 0.99                                  | 0.46                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.40                 | 1.74                                  | 0.69                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.34                 | 2.80                                  | 0.95                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.27                 | 3.77                                  | 1.03                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.20                 | 5.51                                  | 1.10                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.15                 | 6.44                                  | 0.97                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.12                 | 7.00                                  | 0.84                                |
| 5   | 1.00                    | 2.00                         | 1.00                                                   | 0.25                            | 0.68                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.62                 | 0.72                                  | 0.45                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.56                 | 2.35                                  | 1.33                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.46                 | 4.08                                  | 1.88                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.39                 | 5.91                                  | 2.33                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.31                 | 7.83                                  | 2.44                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.24                 | 9.41                                  | 2.21                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.17                 | 10.90                                 | 1.90                                |
|     |                         |                              |                                                        |                                 | 0.13                 | 12.05                                 | 1.53                                |

| Run | Experimental conditions |                               |                                                       |                                 | Experimental results |                                       |                                     |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|     | A-glycerol conc. (M)    | B-anode electrolyte conc. (M) | C-anode electrocatalyst loading (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | D-cathode electrolyte conc. (M) | Cell Voltage (V)     | Current density (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Power density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
| 6   | 1.00                    | 1.50                          | 0.50                                                  | 0.25                            | 0.65                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.59                 | 0.77                                  | 0.45                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.54                 | 2.01                                  | 1.08                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.47                 | 3.55                                  | 1.67                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.41                 | 4.66                                  | 1.91                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 5.66                                  | 2.11                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.32                 | 6.86                                  | 2.20                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.25                 | 8.36                                  | 2.09                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.17                 | 9.80                                  | 1.71                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.08                 | 11.11                                 | 0.89                                |
| 7   | 1                       | 1.5                           | 1                                                     | 0.5                             | 0.68                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.63                 | 0.62                                  | 0.39                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.59                 | 1.23                                  | 0.72                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.54                 | 2.60                                  | 1.39                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.48                 | 4.02                                  | 1.94                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.41                 | 5.68                                  | 2.35                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.36                 | 7.37                                  | 2.65                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.25                 | 9.63                                  | 2.40                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.18                 | 11.33                                 | 2.03                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.12                 | 12.58                                 | 1.47                                |
| 8   | 1                       | 1.5                           | 1                                                     | 0.5                             | 0.68                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.64                 | 0.45                                  | 0.29                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.58                 | 1.48                                  | 0.86                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.53                 | 2.85                                  | 1.50                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.46                 | 4.35                                  | 2.01                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.40                 | 5.85                                  | 2.36                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.35                 | 7.42                                  | 2.60                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.27                 | 9.13                                  | 2.46                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.19                 | 10.86                                 | 2.08                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.11                 | 12.53                                 | 1.34                                |
| 9   | 1.5                     | 1.5                           | 0.5                                                   | 0.5                             | 0.61                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.52                 | 0.41                                  | 0.21                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.44                 | 1.06                                  | 0.47                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 1.81                                  | 0.68                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.30                 | 3.04                                  | 0.90                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.23                 | 4.18                                  | 0.96                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.18                 | 5.12                                  | 0.90                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.13                 | 5.87                                  | 0.79                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.09                 | 6.56                                  | 0.59                                |
| 10  | 1                       | 2                             | 1                                                     | 0.75                            | 0.68                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.62                 | 0.77                                  | 0.48                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.54                 | 2.35                                  | 1.28                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.45                 | 4.37                                  | 1.97                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.38                 | 6.15                                  | 2.35                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.33                 | 7.37                                  | 2.43                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.24                 | 8.88                                  | 2.17                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.17                 | 10.18                                 | 1.78                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.12                 | 11.52                                 | 1.35                                |

| Run | Experimental conditions |                               |                                                       |                                 | Experimental results |                                       |                                     |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|     | A-glycerol conc. (M)    | B-anode electrolyte conc. (M) | C-anode electrocatalyst loading (mg/cm <sup>3</sup> ) | D-cathode electrolyte conc. (M) | Cell Voltage (V)     | Current density (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Power density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
| 11  | 1                       | 1.5                           | 1                                                     | 0.5                             | 0.69                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.62                 | 0.61                                  | 0.38                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.57                 | 2.06                                  | 1.16                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.51                 | 3.07                                  | 1.57                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.48                 | 4.73                                  | 2.27                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.44                 | 5.72                                  | 2.52                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 7.49                                  | 2.77                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.27                 | 9.14                                  | 2.47                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.15                 | 11.34                                 | 1.75                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.11                 | 12.78                                 | 1.41                                |
| 12  | 1.5                     | 2                             | 1                                                     | 0.5                             | 0.64                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.57                 | 0.89                                  | 0.51                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.51                 | 2.11                                  | 1.08                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.43                 | 3.44                                  | 1.47                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.34                 | 5.33                                  | 1.84                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.27                 | 7.78                                  | 2.10                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.19                 | 9.44                                  | 1.81                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.14                 | 10.33                                 | 1.45                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.07                 | 11.67                                 | 0.82                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.67                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
| 13  | 1.5                     | 1.5                           | 1                                                     | 0.75                            | 0.60                 | 0.89                                  | 0.53                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.53                 | 2.14                                  | 1.14                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.43                 | 3.95                                  | 1.72                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 6.28                                  | 2.32                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.27                 | 7.77                                  | 2.10                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.23                 | 8.89                                  | 2.04                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.14                 | 10.51                                 | 1.47                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.10                 | 11.68                                 | 1.16                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.58                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.51                 | 0.46                                  | 0.23                                |
| 14  | 1                       | 1.5                           | 0.5                                                   | 0.75                            | 0.44                 | 1.12                                  | 0.49                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 2.16                                  | 0.79                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.32                 | 3.29                                  | 1.04                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.26                 | 4.30                                  | 1.10                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.19                 | 5.17                                  | 1.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.15                 | 6.05                                  | 0.92                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.09                 | 6.90                                  | 0.61                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.65                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.59                 | 0.71                                  | 0.42                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.50                 | 1.83                                  | 0.92                                |
| 15  | 0.5                     | 1.5                           | 1                                                     | 0.25                            | 0.43                 | 3.26                                  | 1.40                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 4.66                                  | 1.71                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.31                 | 6.28                                  | 1.95                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.23                 | 7.69                                  | 1.80                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.15                 | 9.93                                  | 1.52                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.09                 | 11.22                                 | 0.99                                |

| Run | Experimental conditions |                                  |                                                           |                                    | Experimental results |                                          |                                        |
|-----|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
|     | A-glycerol conc.<br>(M) | B-anode electrolyte conc.<br>(M) | C- anode electrocatalyst loading<br>(mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | D-cathode electrolyte conc.<br>(M) | Cell Voltage<br>(V)  | Current density<br>(mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Power density<br>(mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
| 16  | 1                       | 1.5                              | 1.5                                                       | 0.25                               | 0.62                 | 0.00                                     | 0.00                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.56                 | 0.77                                     | 0.43                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.49                 | 1.58                                     | 0.78                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.44                 | 2.35                                     | 1.03                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.37                 | 3.45                                     | 1.28                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.29                 | 4.78                                     | 1.40                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.23                 | 6.11                                     | 1.38                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.16                 | 7.39                                     | 1.21                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.11                 | 8.45                                     | 0.93                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.06                 | 9.51                                     | 0.52                                   |
| 17  | 0.5                     | 1                                | 1                                                         | 0.5                                | 0.61                 | 0.00                                     | 0.00                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.54                 | 0.62                                     | 0.34                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.49                 | 1.76                                     | 0.86                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.43                 | 2.86                                     | 1.22                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.36                 | 3.87                                     | 1.39                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.30                 | 4.78                                     | 1.44                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.23                 | 6.40                                     | 1.48                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.19                 | 7.89                                     | 1.46                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.15                 | 9.11                                     | 1.32                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.10                 | 10.22                                    | 1.02                                   |
| 18  | 1                       | 1.5                              | 1                                                         | 0.5                                | 0.69                 | 0.00                                     | 0.00                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.64                 | 0.57                                     | 0.36                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.58                 | 1.79                                     | 1.04                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.53                 | 2.79                                     | 1.47                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.49                 | 4.18                                     | 2.05                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.42                 | 6.02                                     | 2.54                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.36                 | 7.70                                     | 2.77                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.28                 | 9.27                                     | 2.58                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.20                 | 11.22                                    | 2.28                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.12                 | 12.75                                    | 1.56                                   |
| 19  | 1                       | 1                                | 1                                                         | 0.25                               | 0.64                 | 0.00                                     | 0.00                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.59                 | 0.87                                     | 0.51                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.50                 | 2.29                                     | 1.15                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.45                 | 3.76                                     | 1.69                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.35                 | 6.00                                     | 2.10                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.30                 | 6.89                                     | 2.04                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.24                 | 8.50                                     | 2.01                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.15                 | 10.56                                    | 1.58                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.09                 | 11.67                                    | 1.03                                   |
| 20  | 1                       | 1                                | 0.5                                                       | 0.5                                | 0.60                 | 0.00                                     | 0.00                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.50                 | 0.78                                     | 0.39                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.40                 | 1.78                                     | 0.71                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.30                 | 3.18                                     | 0.95                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.24                 | 3.92                                     | 0.94                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.19                 | 4.74                                     | 0.90                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.15                 | 5.33                                     | 0.80                                   |
|     |                         |                                  |                                                           |                                    | 0.09                 | 6.10                                     | 0.55                                   |

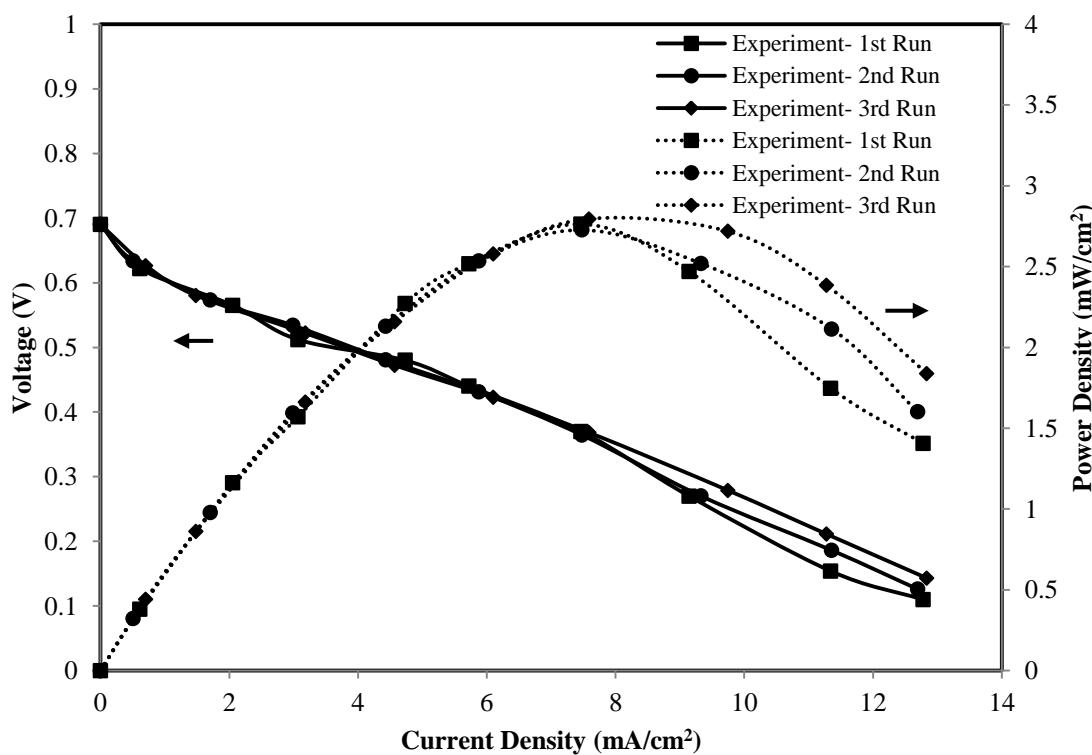
| Run | Experimental conditions |                               |                                                        |                                 | Experimental results |                                       |                                     |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|     | A-glycerol conc. (M)    | B-anode electrolyte conc. (M) | C- anode electrocatalyst loading (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | D-cathode electrolyte conc. (M) | Cell Voltage (V)     | Current density (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Power density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
| 21  | 0.5                     | 1.5                           | 1                                                      | 0.75                            | 0.64                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.56                 | 0.75                                  | 0.42                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.48                 | 2.26                                  | 1.07                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.39                 | 4.12                                  | 1.62                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.32                 | 5.61                                  | 1.80                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.25                 | 6.61                                  | 1.67                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.20                 | 8.25                                  | 1.66                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.14                 | 9.71                                  | 1.37                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.09                 | 10.89                                 | 0.97                                |
| 22  | 1                       | 1.5                           | 1                                                      | 0.5                             | 0.69                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.65                 | 0.68                                  | 0.44                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.58                 | 2.01                                  | 1.17                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.52                 | 3.74                                  | 1.96                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.48                 | 4.91                                  | 2.36                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.42                 | 6.14                                  | 2.60                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.36                 | 7.70                                  | 2.77                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.28                 | 9.49                                  | 2.63                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.22                 | 10.91                                 | 2.44                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.14                 | 12.72                                 | 1.76                                |
| 23  | 0.5                     | 1.5                           | 0.5                                                    | 0.5                             | 0.52                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.44                 | 0.68                                  | 0.30                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.37                 | 1.72                                  | 0.64                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.32                 | 2.78                                  | 0.89                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.25                 | 3.96                                  | 0.99                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.21                 | 4.80                                  | 1.01                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.17                 | 5.44                                  | 0.93                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.12                 | 6.11                                  | 0.73                                |
| 24  | 1                       | 1                             | 1                                                      | 0.5                             | 0.58                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.50                 | 0.80                                  | 0.40                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.45                 | 1.56                                  | 0.70                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.37                 | 2.75                                  | 1.03                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.34                 | 3.84                                  | 1.30                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.27                 | 5.17                                  | 1.40                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.20                 | 6.44                                  | 1.29                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.17                 | 7.22                                  | 1.23                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.11                 | 8.00                                  | 0.88                                |
| 25  | 1.5                     | 1.5                           | 1                                                      | 0.25                            | 0.63                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.57                 | 0.61                                  | 0.35                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.50                 | 1.61                                  | 0.80                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.42                 | 3.21                                  | 1.33                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.36                 | 4.31                                  | 1.57                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.29                 | 5.56                                  | 1.61                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.23                 | 7.06                                  | 1.64                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.17                 | 8.45                                  | 1.41                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.13                 | 9.36                                  | 1.19                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                        |                                 | 0.07                 | 10.33                                 | 0.72                                |

| Run | Experimental conditions |                               |                                                       |                                 | Experimental results |                                       |                                     |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|     | A-glycerol conc. (M)    | B-anode electrolyte conc. (M) | C-anode electrocatalyst loading (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | D-cathode electrolyte conc. (M) | Cell Voltage (V)     | Current density (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Power density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
| 26  | 0.5                     | 2                             | 1                                                     | 0.5                             | 0.57                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.50                 | 0.83                                  | 0.42                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.44                 | 2.00                                  | 0.88                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.40                 | 3.11                                  | 1.24                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.36                 | 4.44                                  | 1.60                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.30                 | 5.44                                  | 1.63                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.24                 | 6.89                                  | 1.65                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.15                 | 9.11                                  | 1.37                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.10                 | 10.00                                 | 1.00                                |
| 27  | 1.5                     | 1.5                           | 1.5                                                   | 0.5                             | 0.66                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.60                 | 0.49                                  | 0.29                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.53                 | 1.34                                  | 0.71                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.45                 | 2.56                                  | 1.16                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.40                 | 3.72                                  | 1.49                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.33                 | 5.14                                  | 1.70                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.24                 | 6.41                                  | 1.52                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.16                 | 7.96                                  | 1.23                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.09                 | 8.93                                  | 0.83                                |
| 28  | 1                       | 2                             | 1.5                                                   | 0.5                             | 0.55                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.48                 | 0.88                                  | 0.42                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.42                 | 1.81                                  | 0.76                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.37                 | 2.85                                  | 1.06                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.32                 | 3.89                                  | 1.24                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.25                 | 5.21                                  | 1.30                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.18                 | 6.33                                  | 1.13                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.12                 | 7.56                                  | 0.90                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.09                 | 5.78                                  | 0.54                                |
| 29  | 0.5                     | 1.5                           | 1.5                                                   | 0.5                             | 0.55                 | 0.00                                  | 0.00                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.49                 | 0.44                                  | 0.22                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.43                 | 1.02                                  | 0.44                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.36                 | 1.84                                  | 0.65                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.30                 | 2.63                                  | 0.78                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.25                 | 3.22                                  | 0.80                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.18                 | 4.22                                  | 0.76                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.14                 | 5.17                                  | 0.71                                |
|     |                         |                               |                                                       |                                 | 0.09                 | 5.78                                  | 0.54                                |

Abbreviation: conc., concentration.

**Table E2** Comparison between actual power density and predicted power density of MFC at the optimum conditions for three repeated experiments.

| No. of repeated experiments | OCV (V) | Experimental Power Density at optimum condition ( $\text{mW/cm}^2$ ) | Standard Deviation ( $\sigma$ ) | Predicted power density at optimum condition ( $\text{mW/cm}^2$ ) | (%) error Between Predicted and Experimental value at optimum condition |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Run         | 0.69    | 2.76                                                                 | 0.016                           | 2.79                                                              | 1.07                                                                    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Run         | 0.69    | 2.74                                                                 |                                 |                                                                   | 1.79                                                                    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Run         | 0.69    | 2.78                                                                 |                                 |                                                                   | 0.35                                                                    |



**Figure E1** Current density vs. cell voltage and power density curves for three repeated experiments under optimum condition of MFC.

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