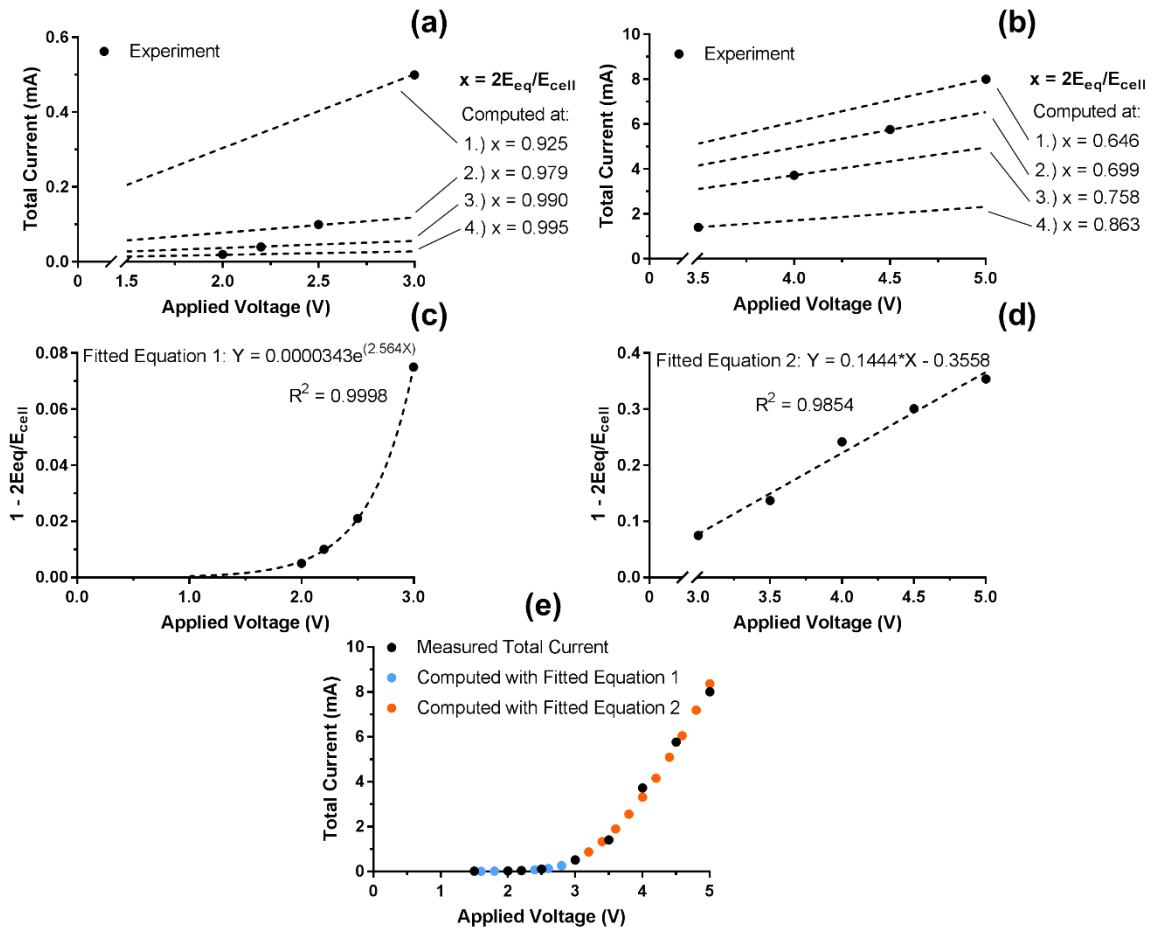


1 **Supplementary Materials and Methods**

2 *Calculation of empirical equilibrium potentials (E_{eq})*

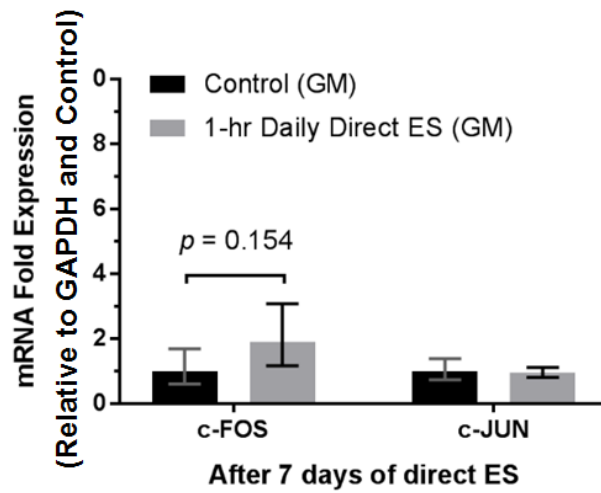
3 Following the total current measurement, the results were divided into 3 ranges based on the
4 relationship between the total current and applied voltage: undetectable current; non-linear current; and
5 linear current. Within the “undetectable current” region, it **was** assumed that there **was** no activation
6 overpotential when applying voltage (E_{cell}) below 1.5 V, **resulting** in $E_{eq} = E_{cell}/2$. Within the second and
7 third regions, the arbitrary ratio of $2E_{eq}/E_{cell}$, denoted by “x”, at each applied voltage **were** approximated
8 from the measured total current by using model parametric sweeping as shown in figure S1(a, b). The
9 value of “1 - x” at each region **were** then plotted against applied voltage, in which the empirical
10 coefficient for E_{eq} in function of E_{cell} **was** obtained by fitting the plotted data points, as shown in figure
11 S1(c, d). The computed total current using the obtained empirical coefficients **were** plotted in
12 comparison with the measured total current in figure S1(e) to confirm the consistency of the input
13 parameters. It is noted the empirical coefficients are dimensionless.

14 **Supplementary Figures**



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16 **Figure S1** (a, b) Approximation of the arbitrary ratio “x” within the non-linear and linear current regions,
 17 respectively. (c, d) Fitted empirical equations for “1 – x” in function of the applied voltage (E_{cell}) within
 18 the non-linear and linear current regions, respectively. (e) Computed total current using the empirical
 19 coefficient from the fitted equations in comparison with the measured total current.



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21 **Figure S2** c-FOS and c-JUN mRNA expressions after 7 days of 1-hour daily direct ES in growth media
22 (GM). Error bars represent upper and lower 95% confidence limits ($n = 3$ experiments). Statistical
23 analyses were carried out using unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test.