

Supplementary Information

**Solution processed transparent anatase TiO₂ nanoparticles / MoO₃ nanostructures
heterojunction: High performance self-powered UV detector for low-power and low-light
applications**

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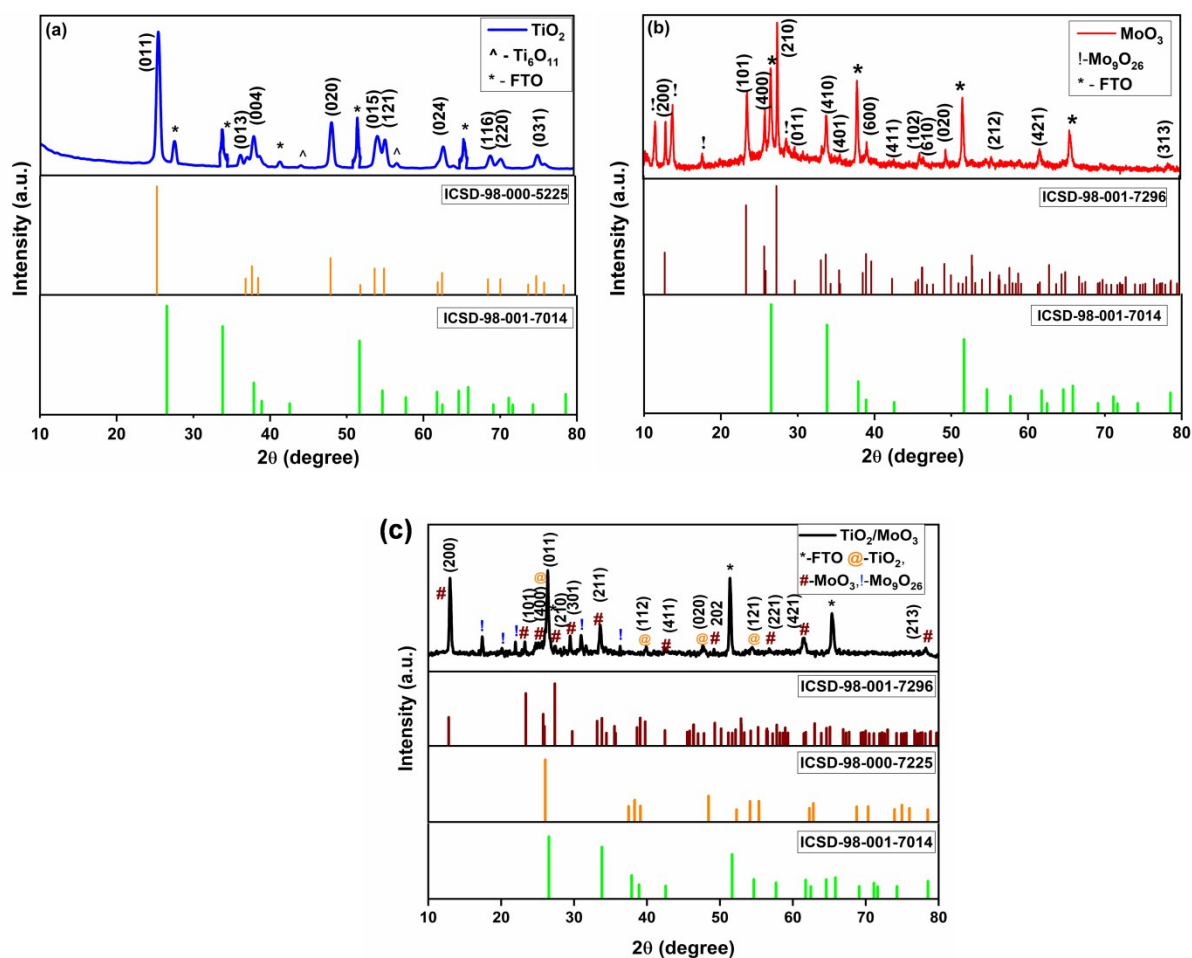
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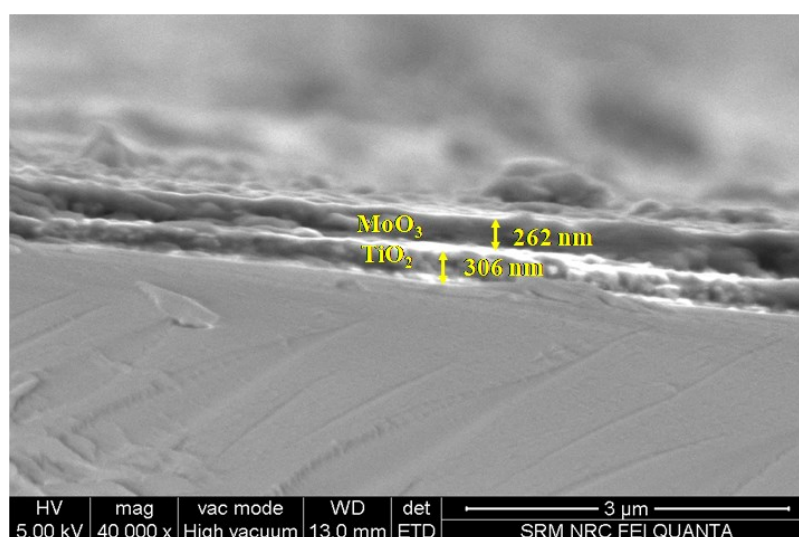
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Figure S1. XRD patterns of (a) TiO_2 , (b) MoO_3 and (c) $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$ film

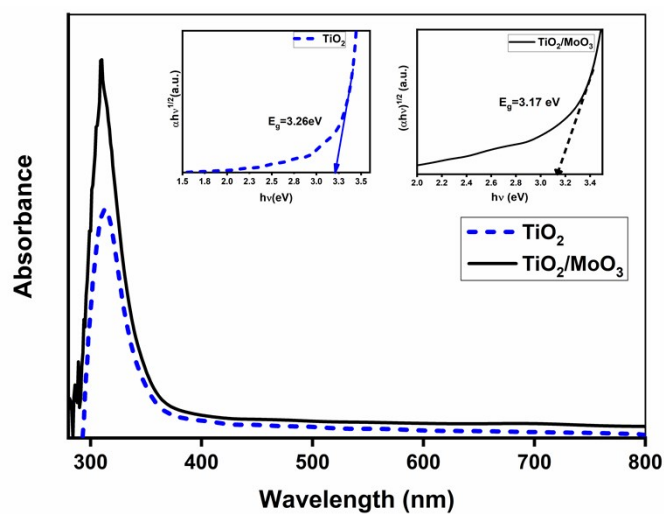


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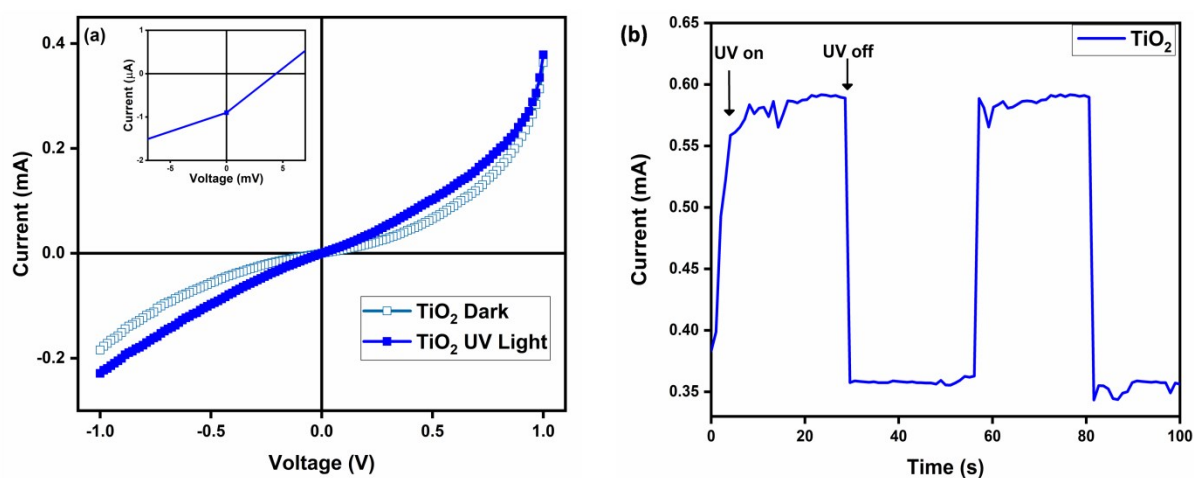
Figure S2. FE-SEM cross section image of the bilayer film



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Figure S3. UV-visible absorption spectra of TiO_2 , and $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$ film, Inset: Tauc plot of TiO_2 and $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$ film

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Figure S4. Device characteristics of TiO_2 based device (a) I - V characteristics under dark and UV illumination and (b) I - t characteristics under $-1V$.

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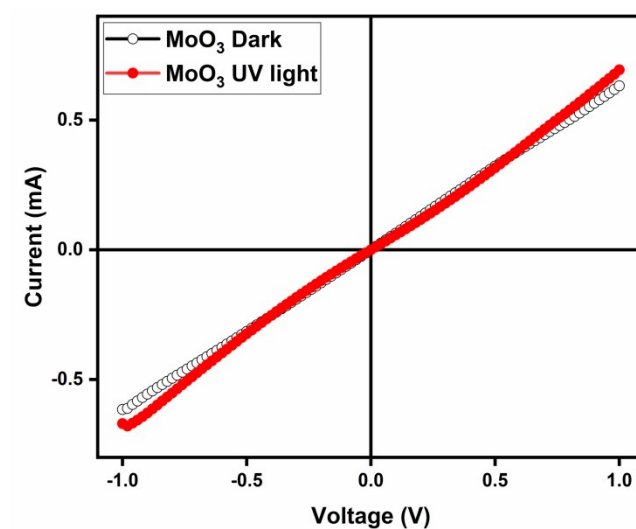


Figure S5. I - V characteristics of MoO_3 device under dark and UV illumination

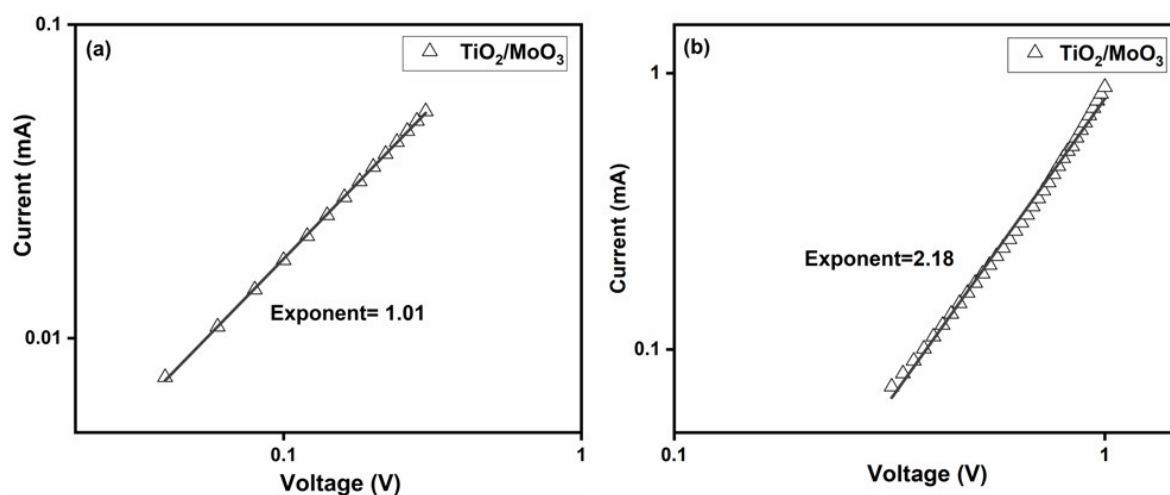


Figure S6. log-log plot of I - V characteristics of the bilayer device (a) at low voltage (b) at high voltage

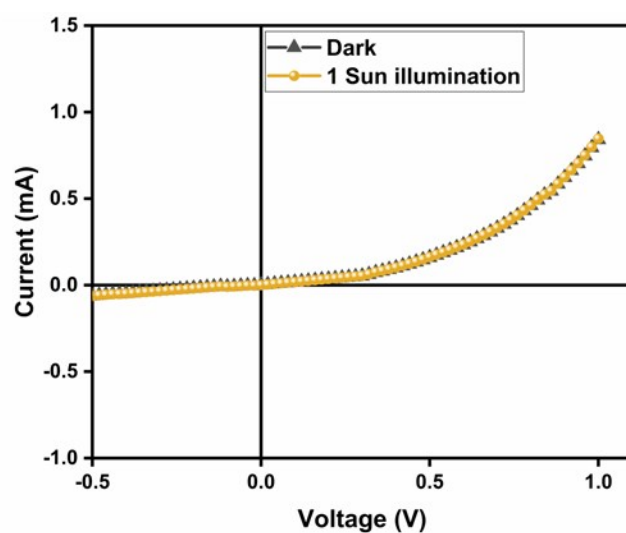


Figure S7. I-V characteristics of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$ bilayer device under dark and 1 sun illumination

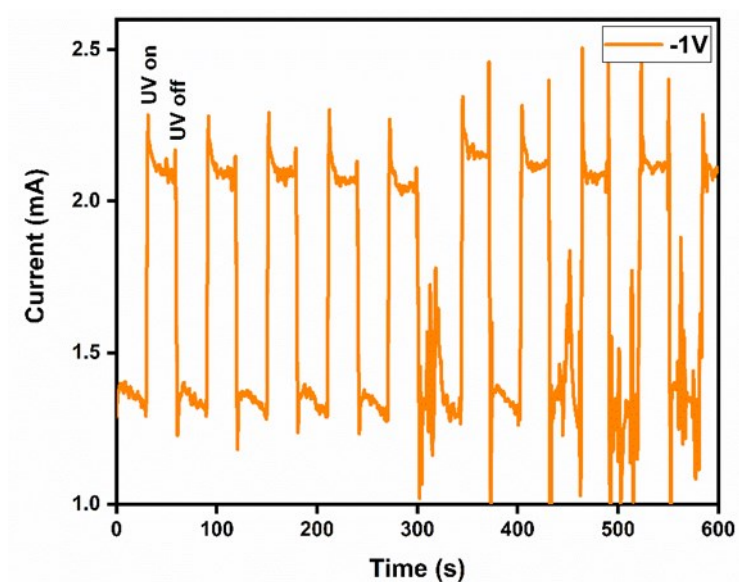


Figure S8. I-t characteristics of the bilayer device under -1V bias

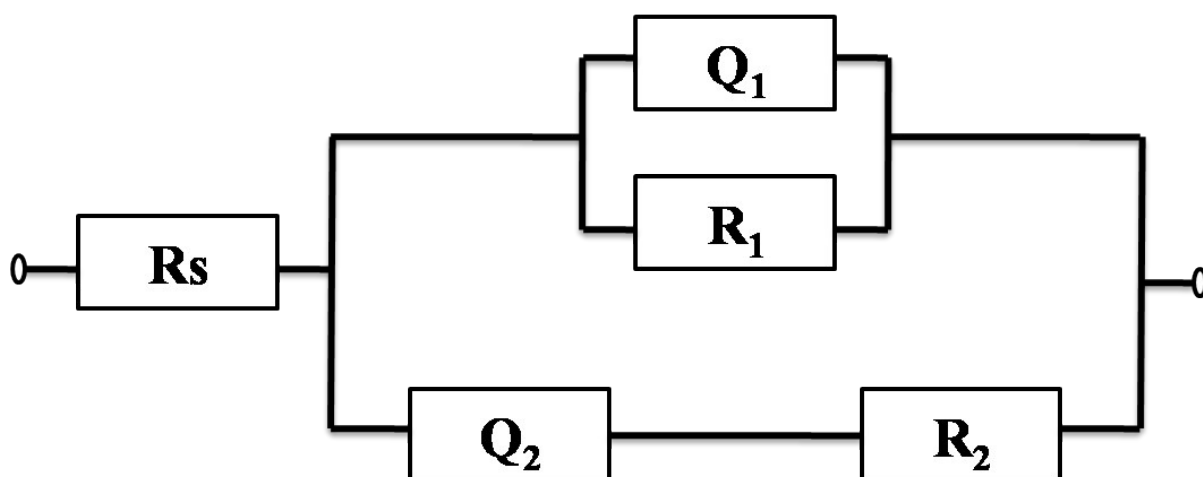


Figure S9. The equivalent circuit model of EIS spectra for TiO_2 , MoO_3 and $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$ film

	TiO_2	MoO_3	$\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$
Series resistance (R_s)	122 Ω	98 Ω	229 Ω
Charge transfer resistance (R_1)	3454 Ω	5872 Ω	504 Ω
Diffusion resistance (R_2)	832 Ω	189 Ω	299 Ω

Table S1. Comparison of resistance values of TiO_2 , MoO_3 and $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MoO}_3$ film as calculated using EIS equivalent circuit model

Sample	Ideality factor (n)	Reverse saturation current (I_s)	Barrier height (Φ_b)
FTO/ TiO_2 / MoO_3 /Au	2.98	1.56×10^{-6} A	0.77 eV

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64 *Table S2. Diode parameters of the bilayer film calculated from I-V characteristics*

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Device	Wave-length (nm)	Intensity of the source (mW/cm ²)	Bias (V)	Photo responsivity (mA/W)	Detectivity (Jones)	Rise time (s)	Fall time (s)	Re f.
TiO ₂ -NP	310	0.07	-5	3.2x10 ⁻³	-	-	-	1
TiO ₂ -NT/BiOC 1	355	2.04	-5	41.94	1.41x 10 ¹⁴	-	0.81 s	2
TiO ₂ -NW/CuZnS	300	1.26	3	650	-	<0.2 s	<0.2 s	3
TiO ₂ /GO	280	30	6	826.8	2.82x10 ¹³	810 ms	1.74 s	4
TiO ₂ -NP	352	0.076	-1	12.4	3.3x 10 ¹¹	-	-	This work
TiO ₂ -NP/MoO ₃	352	0.076	-1	46.05	2.84x10 ¹²	1.22	1.4	

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67 *Table S3. Performance of anatase TiO₂ based photodetectors*

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Device	Wave-length (nm)	Intensity of the source (μW/cm ²)	Bias (V)	Photo responsivity (mA/W)	Detectivity (Jones)	Rise time (s)	Fall time (s)	Re f.
Rutile TiO ₂ NWs/ α-MoO ₃	360	65	-2.2	3.2x10 ⁻³	-	3.16	13.13	5
Anatase TiO ₂ NPs/ α-MoO ₃	352	76	-1	41.94	2.84x10 ¹²	1.22	1.4	This work

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Table S4. Performance of TiO₂/MoO₃ based UV detectors

Bias	I_d (μA)	I_L-I_d (mA)	R (A/W)	D (x10¹¹ Jones)	EQE (%)
0	1.56 ± 0.04	0.194 ± 0.0018	0.1078 ± 0.023	0.153 ± 0.10	37.97 ± 0.075
-1	197 ± 12	0.833 ± 0.008	45.66 ± 0.47	28.18 ± 0.47	1.6 ± 0.015 x 10 ⁴

Table S5. Statistical data on the performance of the bilayer device based on the 34 devices made

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