Supporting information

## Synthesis of Surfactant-Free SnS Nanoplates

## In an Aqueous Solution

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Figure S1. TEM images of SnS nanoplates with reaction times. (A) 20 min and (B) 240 min.



**Figure S2.** (A, B) Digital photographic images of the reaction mixture at 1 h (A) and after 24 h. (C) Digital images of the decanted supernatant of the reaction mixture after they formed NaSn(OH)<sub>3</sub> salt. The times in the image indicate the reaction times of chemical transformation from  $Sn_6O_4(OH)_4$  into SnS. The SnS nanoplates were etched out as the chemical transformation reaction was longer, hence the supernatant solution from longer reaction time resulted in more NaSn(OH)<sub>3</sub> salt and look more turbid.



**Figure S3.** TEM images as different amount of PVP condition effect with same reaction time for 1 hour. (A) 0.005 wt %, (B) 0.01 wt %, (C) 0.03 wt %, (D) 0.05 wt %, (E) 0.1 wt %, (F) 0.3 wt %, (G) 0.5 wt %, and (H)1.0 wt % of PVP solution, respectively.



Figure S4. UV-vis-NIR absorption spectra of the nanocubes and nanoplates of SnS.