

## **Supplementary Information**

### **Synthesis of hierarchical flower-like $\text{Bi}_2\text{MoO}_6$ microspheres as efficient photocatalyst for photoreduction of $\text{CO}_2$ into solar fuels under visible light**

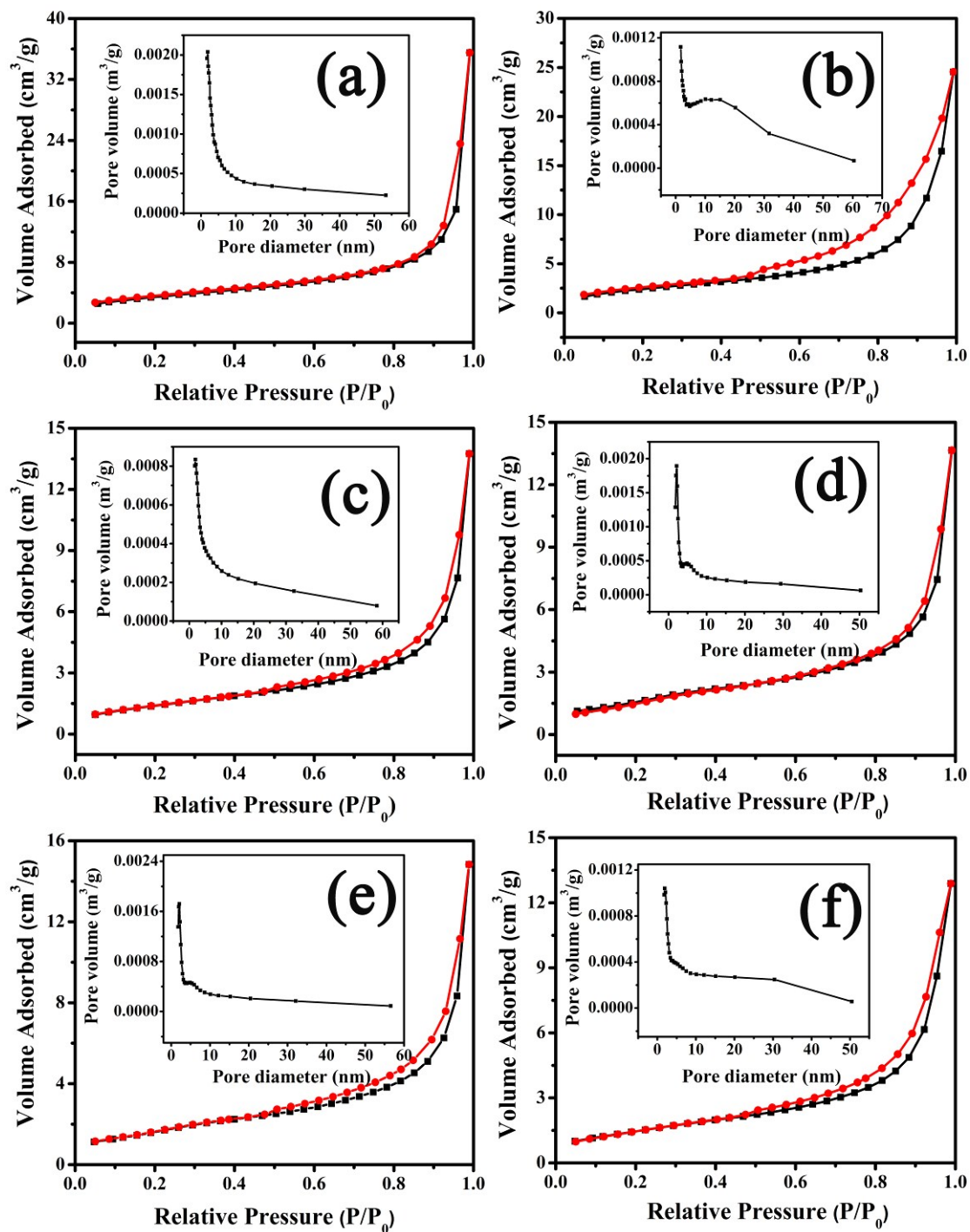
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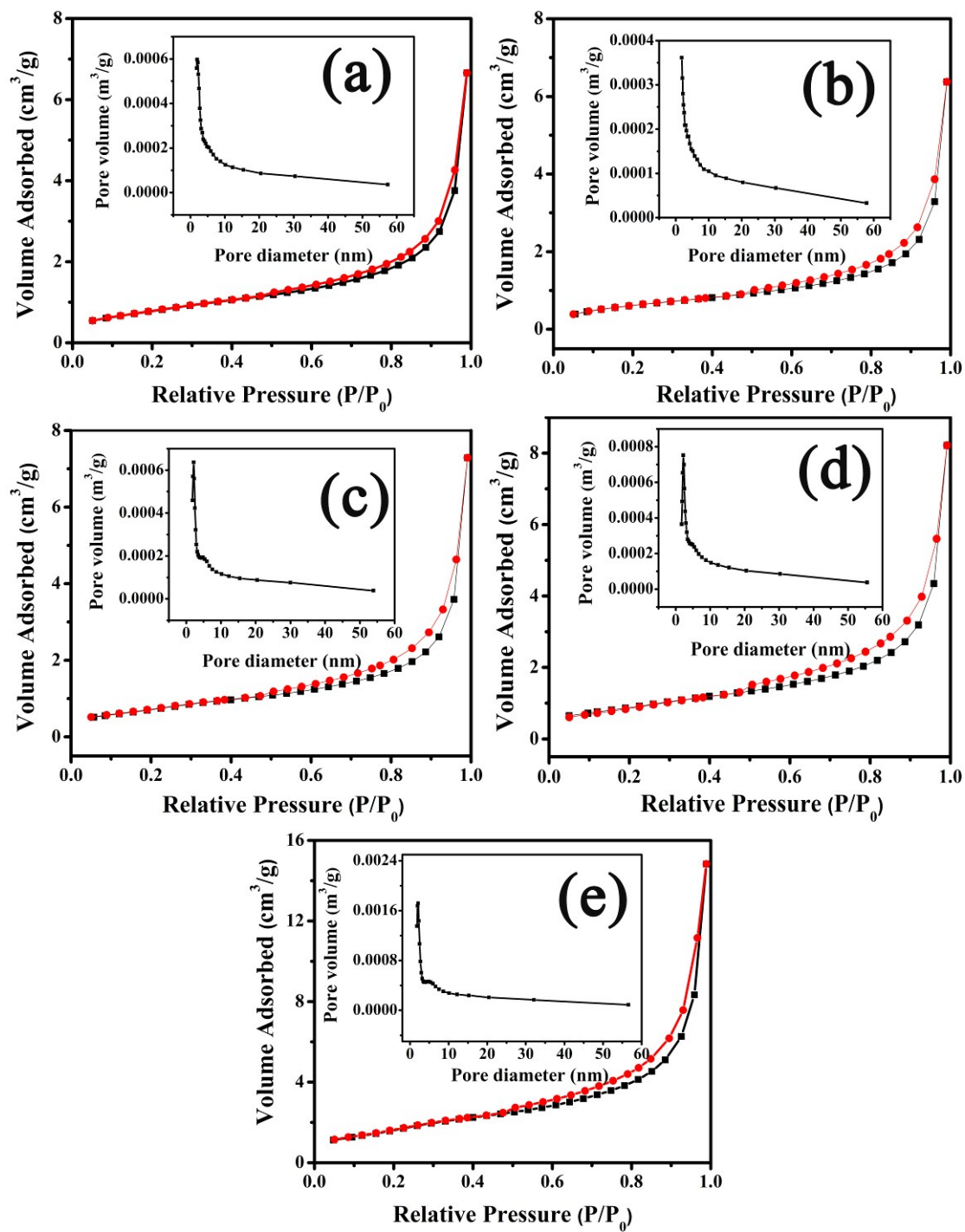
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**Fig. S1** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption–desorption isotherm and BJH pore distribution curve of of Bi<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>6</sub> samples prepared under different hydrothermal times in the presence of 0.3 g PVP: (a) 0 h, (b) 1 h, (c) 6 h (d) 12 h, (e) 24 h, and (f) 36 h.



**Fig. S2** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption–desorption isotherm and BJH pore distribution curve of Bi<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>6</sub> samples prepared by hydrothermally treating for 24 h in the presence of different amount of PVP: (a) 0 g, (b) 0.05 g, (c) 0.1 g (d) 0.2 g, and (e) 0.3 g.

**Table. S1** morphology, size and physical properties of Bi<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>6</sub> samples

| Entry | photocatalyst <sup>a</sup> | BET                                        |               |                                      |                        |                                  |
|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
|       |                            | Morphology                                 | Particle size | S <sub>BET</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> /g) | Average pore size (nm) | Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g) |
| 1     | BM-0.3-0                   | nanoparticles                              | 45 nm         | 12.2                                 | 17.82                  | 0.054                            |
| 2     | BM-0.3-1                   | mixture of flakes and particles            | 0.3-0.8 μm    | 8.9                                  | 17.09                  | 0.037                            |
| 3     | BM-0.3-6                   | flocculent nanoflakes                      | 10-20 μm      | 5.2                                  | 16.34                  | 0.021                            |
| 4     | BM-0.3-12                  | intercrossed flakes                        | 10-20 μm      | 6.1                                  | 13.80                  | 0.021                            |
| 5     | BM-0.3-24                  | flower-like microspheres                   | 10-30 μm      | 6.3                                  | 14.57                  | 0.022                            |
| 6     | BM-0.3-36                  | bloated and tight flower-like microspheres | 12 μm         | 5.5                                  | 14.40                  | 0.019                            |
| 7     | BM-0-24                    | irregular and dispersed flakes             | 5-10 μm       | 2.9                                  | 14.01                  | 0.010                            |
| 8     | BM-0.05-24                 | assembled irregular flakes                 | 5-10 μm       | 2.3                                  | 16.87                  | 0.009                            |
| 9     | BM-0.1-24                  | sub-hierarchical microstructure            | 10 μm         | 2.7                                  | 16.655                 | 0.011                            |
| 10    | BM-0.2-24                  | semi-flower-like microstructure            | 10 μm         | 3.3                                  | 15.52                  | 0.012                            |
| 11    | BM-0.3-24                  | flower-like microspheres                   | 10-30 μm      | 6.3                                  | 14.57                  | 0.022                            |

<sup>a</sup>BM-X-Y (X presents the amount of PVP, Y presents the hydrothermal time.)