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A New Cadmium-Doped Titanium-Oxo Cluster with Stable Photocatalytic H₂ Evolution Property

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Experimental Section

Materials and Instrumentation. Commercially available reagents were bought from Sigma-Aldrich and used as received without further purification, except that Ti(O_iPr)₄ was bought from Energy Chemical. Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR) data was collected on a PerkinElmer Spectrum 100 FT-IR Spectrometer. The composition was studied with an Oxford X-max energy dispersive spectrometer (EDS) equipped on the JSM6700-F FESEM. Inductively Coupled Plasma OES spectrometer is Ultima2 from HORIBA Jobin Yvon. UV-Vis absorption spectra were measured on a Perkin-Elmer Lambda 35 UV-Vis spectrophotometer.

Synthesis of complex 1: tert-butylacetic acid (1.5g, 15 mmol), Cd(NO₃)₂.6H₂O (0.31g, 1mmol) and CH₃CN (5.5 ml) were mixed at room temperature in a Teflon-lined reaction vessel, then dropwise Ti(O_iPr)₄ (0.46 ml, 1.50 mmol) was added. This vessel was heated at 100 °C oven for four days and then cooled to room temperature. The complex 1 H₂{Ti₄Cd₂(μ_2 -O)₂(μ_3 -O)₂(OOCC(CH₃)₃)₁₂(O*i*Pr)₂} was obtained. Colorless crystals were collected with a yield of 85% (based on Ti). Anal.Calcd for C₆₆H₁₂₄Cd₂O₃₀Ti₄ (MW 1813.96): C, 43.70; H, 6.89; Ti, 10.56; Cd, 12.39. Found: C, 44.90; H, 5.93. ICP: Ti,10.1 Cd,11.7.

Hydrogen Production Experiment: The sample for photoinduced hydrogen production was located in a closed gas circulation system (Perfect Light Company Labsolar-III (AG). Typically, 50mg of sample was dispersed in 90mL of H_2O with 10mL of methanol as sacrifice agent, and then 33µL 1.0 wt% HPtCl₄ was added. The 300W Xe lamp was used as the UV-vis light source. The gas in the system was analyzed by online-GC to determine the amount of hydrogen generated with an interval of two hours.

X-ray Crystallography: The structure data of complex 1 was collected on a Rigaku Mercury CCD diffractometer equipped with a graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiationon (λ = 0.71073 Å) at room temperature. Absorption corrections were applied using SADABS.¹ Structures were solved by direct method and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F² using *SHELXTL*.² CCDC 1448897 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. This data is provided free of charge by The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre.

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Crystal.determ.formua	C66 H102 Cd2 O30 Ti4	V[Å ³]	2422.4(6)
Mr	1791.78	Ζ	1
crystal system	Triclinic	T [K]	293
space group	P -1	$\rho_{\rm c}[{\rm gcm}^{-3}]$	1.228
a [Å]	14.1591(19)	μ [mm ⁻¹]	0.810
<i>b</i> [Å]	14.3016(19)	reflns coll.	10884
<i>c</i> [Å]	15.0587(19)	unique reflns	8226
α [°]	111.384(2)	GOF	1.072
β [°]	114.428(1)	$R1[I>2\sigma(I)]^{[a]}$	0.0772
γ [^o]	98.357(4)	$wR2[I>2\sigma(I)]^{[b]}$	0.2679
[a] $R1 = \Sigma F_o - F_c / \Sigma F_o $. [b] $wR2 = \{\Sigma [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma [w(F_o^2)^2] \}^{1/2}$.			

 Table S1.
 Crystal data and structure refinements summary for complex 1.



Fig. S1 Packing viewing of complex 1.



Fig. S2 The PXRD of complex **1:** experimental (black), after photocatalysis (blue) and simulated pattern (red).



Fig. S3 TGA curve of complex **1**. It lost two O*i*Pr and eight *tert*-butylacetic acid ligands very quickly during 340-380 °C (calculated 51.11%; observed 51.87%), and then gradually lost the remaining organic ligands until about 470 °C.



Fig. S4 EDS spectrum of crystal 1.



Fig. S5 IR spectrum of complex 1.