

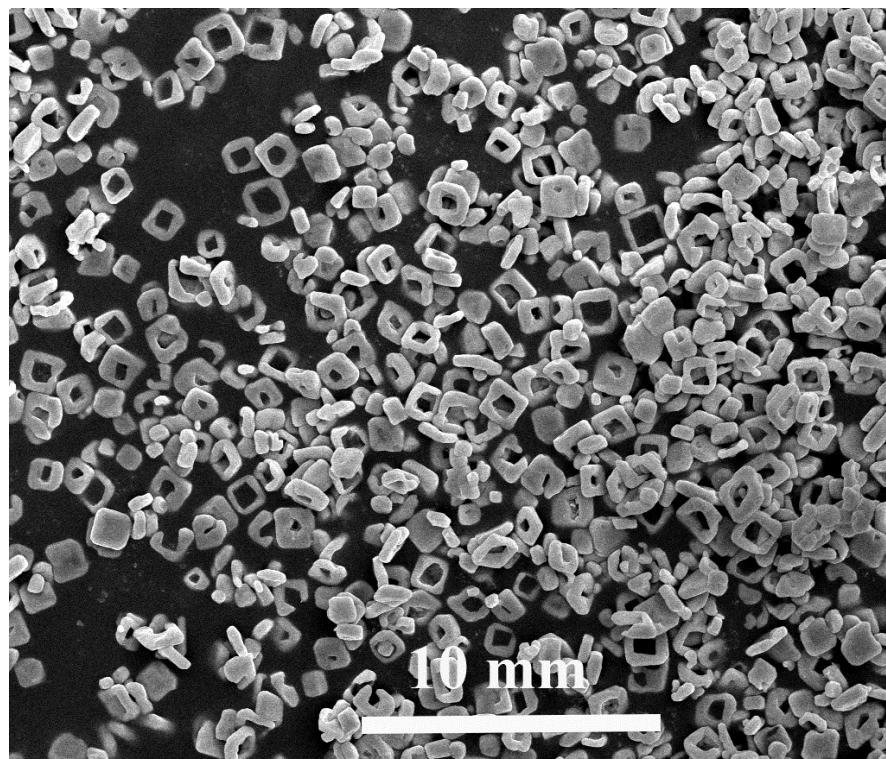
## Supporting Information

### **BiVO<sub>4</sub> hollow microplates: controlled synthesis and enhanced photocatalytic activity achieved through one-step boron doping and Co(OH)<sub>2</sub> loading**

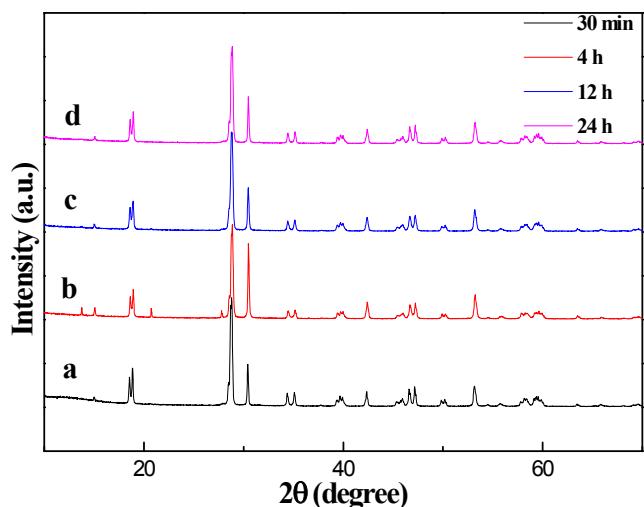
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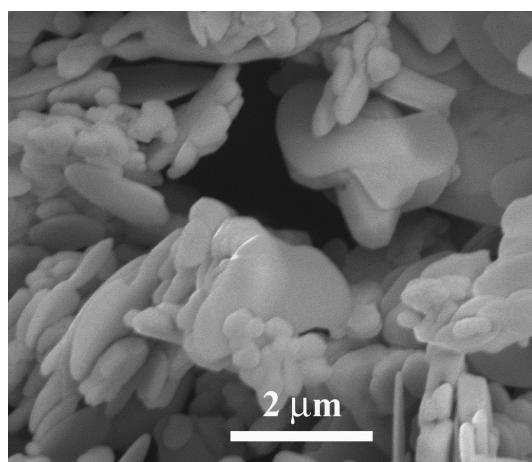
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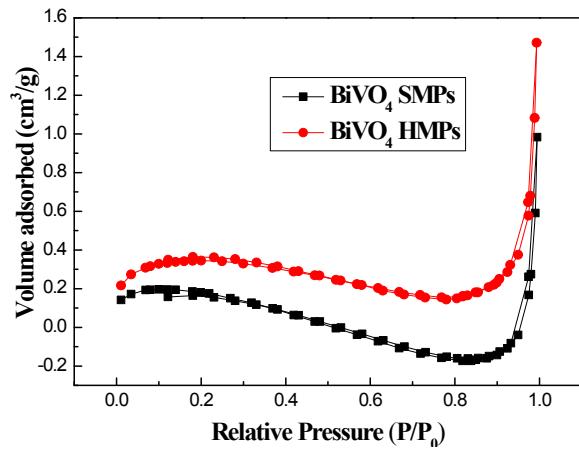
**Fig. S1** Panoramic FE-SEM image of the-synthesized BiVO<sub>4</sub> HMPs.



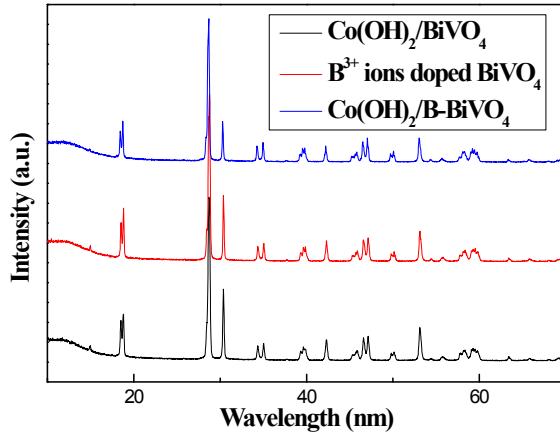
**Fig. S2** FE-SEM images of the intermediate products at different reaction stages: a) 30 min, b) 4 h, c) 12 h), and d) 24 h.



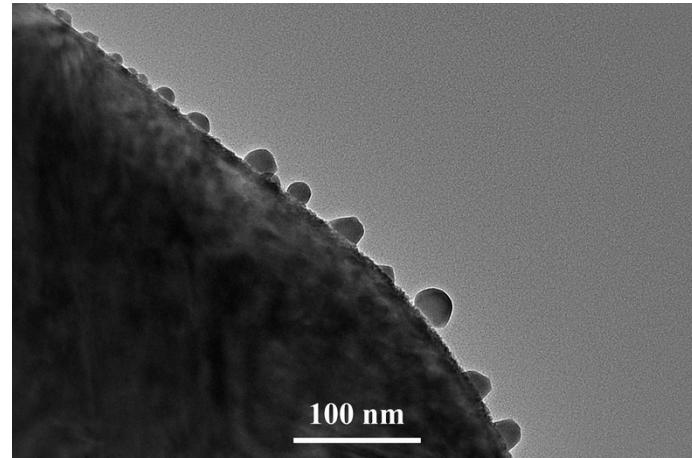
**Fig. S3** FE-SEM image of the products obtained in the absence of EDTA.



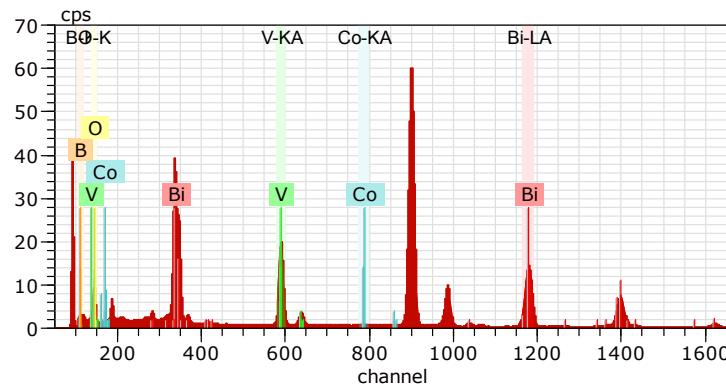
**Fig. S4** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption–desorption isotherms of BiVO<sub>4</sub> SMPs and HMPs.



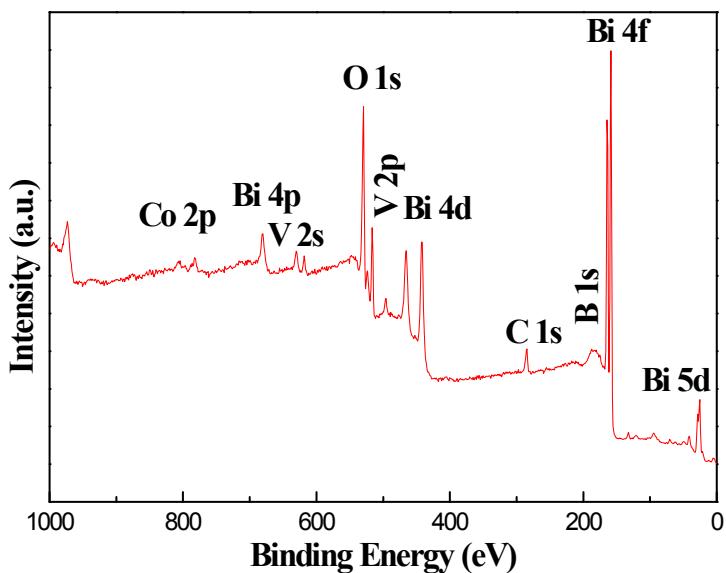
**Fig. S5** XRD patterns of the as-synthesized B<sup>3+</sup> ions doped BiVO<sub>4</sub> HMPs, Co(OH)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub> HMPs, and Co(OH)<sub>2</sub>/B-BiVO<sub>4</sub> HMPs.



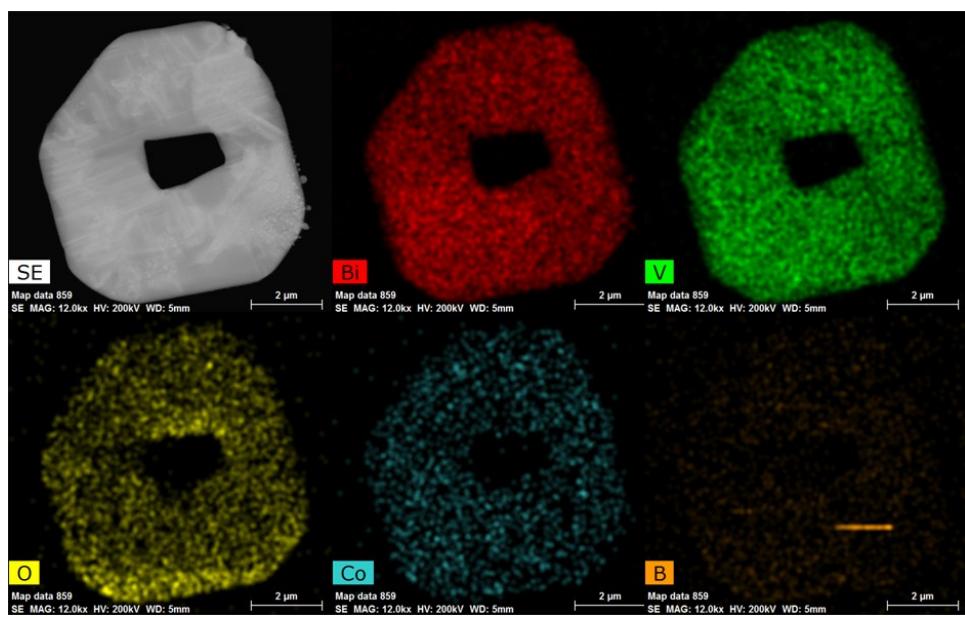
**Fig. S6** Magnified TEM image of  $\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2/\text{B}-\text{BiVO}_4$  HMPs.



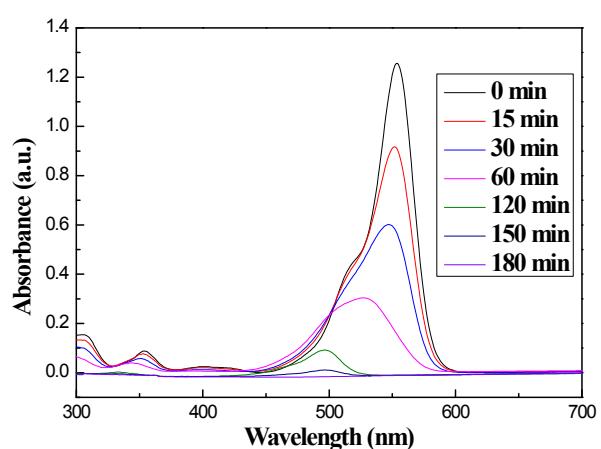
**Fig. S7** EDX spectrum of  $\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2/\text{B}-\text{BiVO}_4$  HMPs.



**Fig. S8** XPS survey spectrum of  $\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2/\text{B}-\text{BiVO}_4$  HMPs.



**Fig. S9** STEM image of an individual  $\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2/\text{B}-\text{BiVO}_4$  HMP and its corresponding elemental mapping.



**Fig. S10** UV-vis absorption spectrum changes of RhB aqueous solution in the presence of Co(OH)<sub>2</sub>/B-BiVO<sub>4</sub> HMPs.