

Supporting Information

Coordinative integration of a metal-porphyrinic framework and TiO₂ nanoparticles for the formation of composite photocatalysts with enhanced visible-light-driven photocatalytic activities

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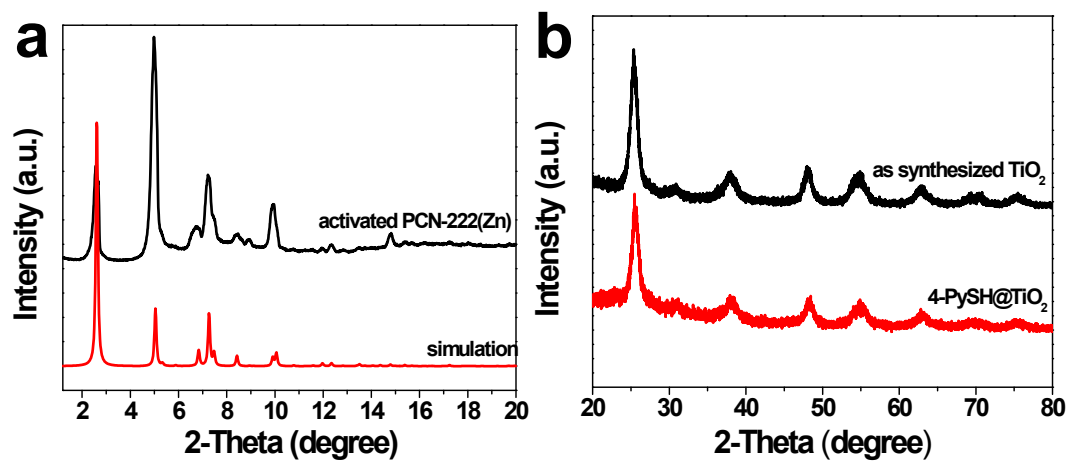


Fig. S1 (a) XRD pattern of the as-synthesized PCN-222(Zn) and the simulated XRD pattern for the PCN-222(Zn) structure created from CIF in reference document. (b) XRD patterns of as-synthesized TiO₂ and 4-PySH@TiO₂.

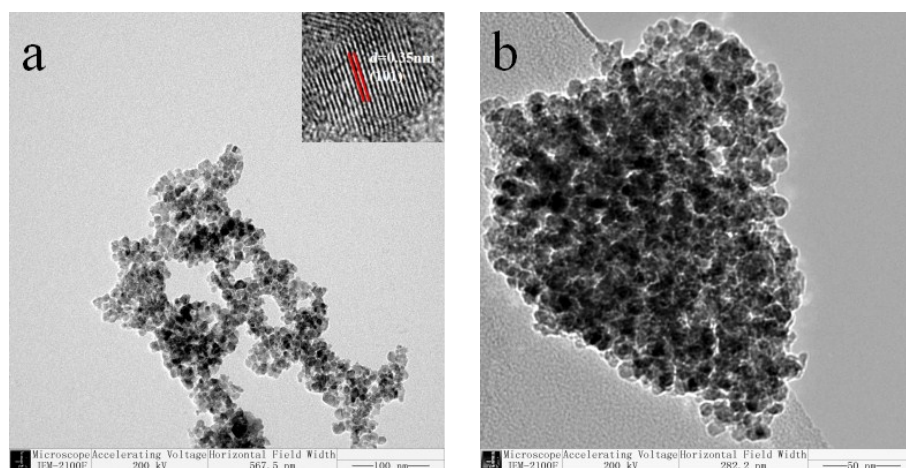


Fig. S2 TEM images of (a) the pristine TiO₂ and (b) the 4-PySH@TiO₂ composite.

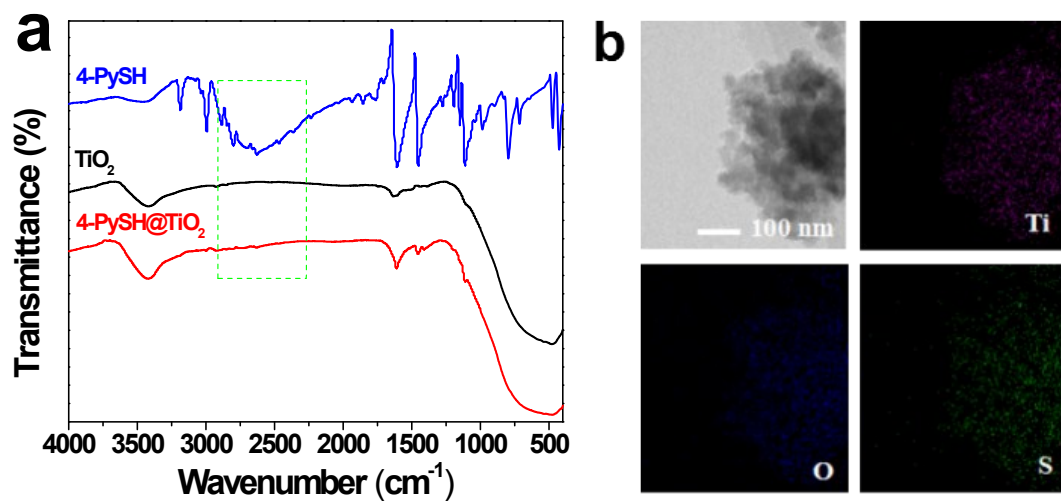


Fig. S3 (a) FTIR spectra of 4-PySH, TiO_2 and 4-PySH@ TiO_2 . (b) EDX elemental mappings of 4-PySH@ TiO_2 .

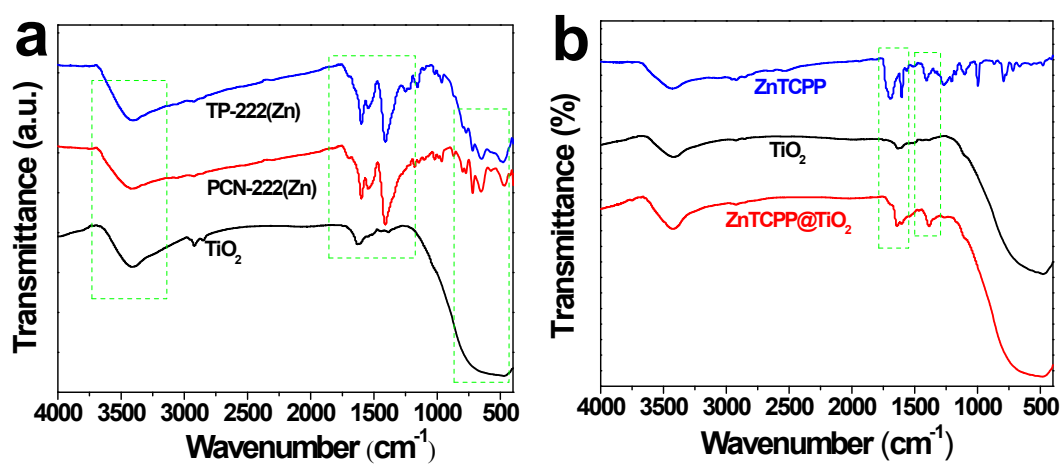


Fig. S4 FTIR spectra of (a) TiO_2 , PCN-222(Zn) and TP-222(Zn) and (b) ZnTCPP, TiO_2 and ZnTCPP@ TiO_2 .

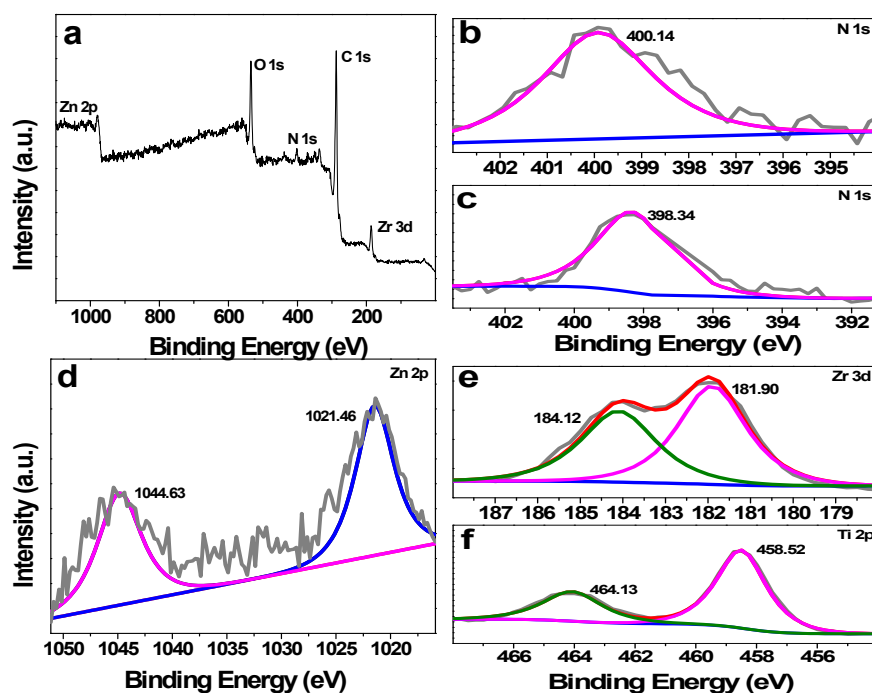


Fig. S5 (a) XPS survey spectrum of PCN-222(Zn). (b) and (c) N 1s XPS spectrum of 4-PySH @TiO₂ and PCN-222(Zn), respectively. (d) Zn 2p XPS spectrum of PCN-222(Zn). (e) and (f) Zr 3d and Ti 2p XPS spectrum of TP-222(Zn), respectively.

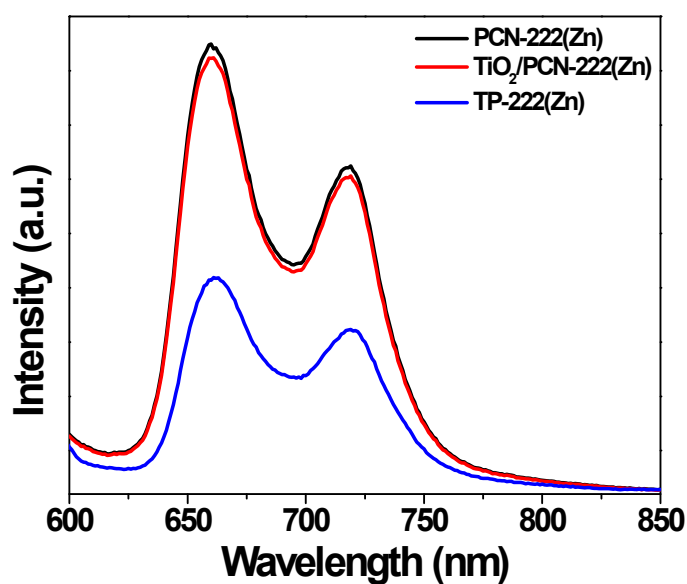


Fig. S6 PL emission spectra (excited at 457 nm) of PCN-222(Zn), TiO₂/PCN-222(Zn) and TP-222(Zn).

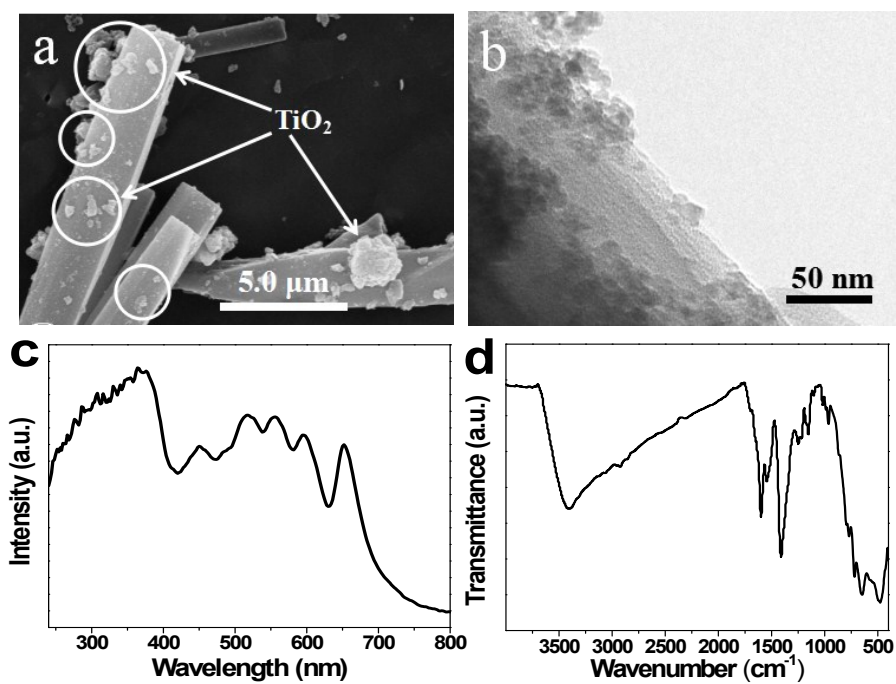


Fig. S7 (a) SEM image, (b) TEM image, (c) UV-visible diffusive reflectance spectra and (d) FTIR spectra of the mixture of TiO_2 and PCN-222(Zn) ($\text{TiO}_2/\text{PCN-222}$).

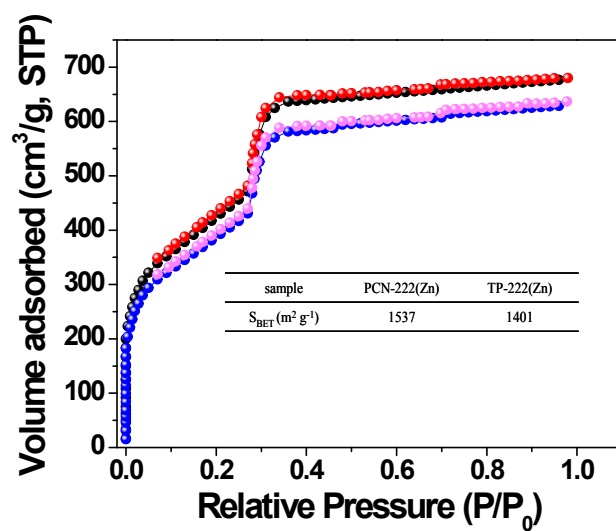


Fig. S8 N_2 adsorption-desorption isotherms measured for PCN-222(Zn) and TP-222(Zn) together with their specific surface area.

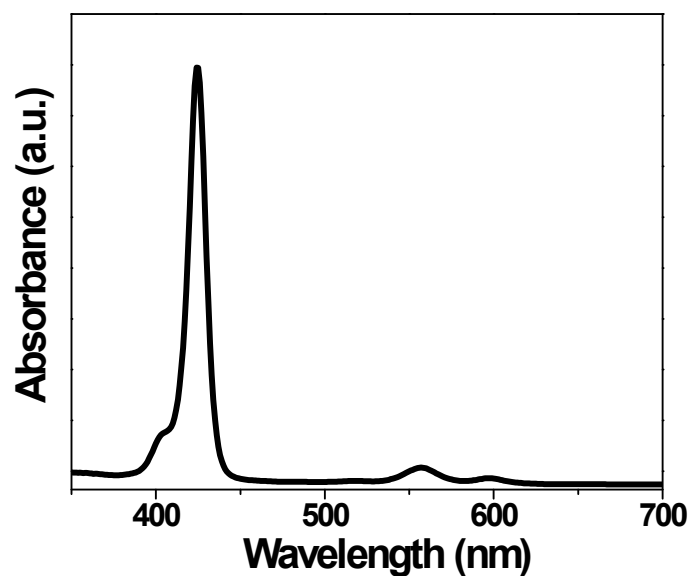


Fig. S9 UV-visible absorption spectra of the porphyrinic ligand (ZnTCPP) of PCN-222(Zn) in DMF solution.

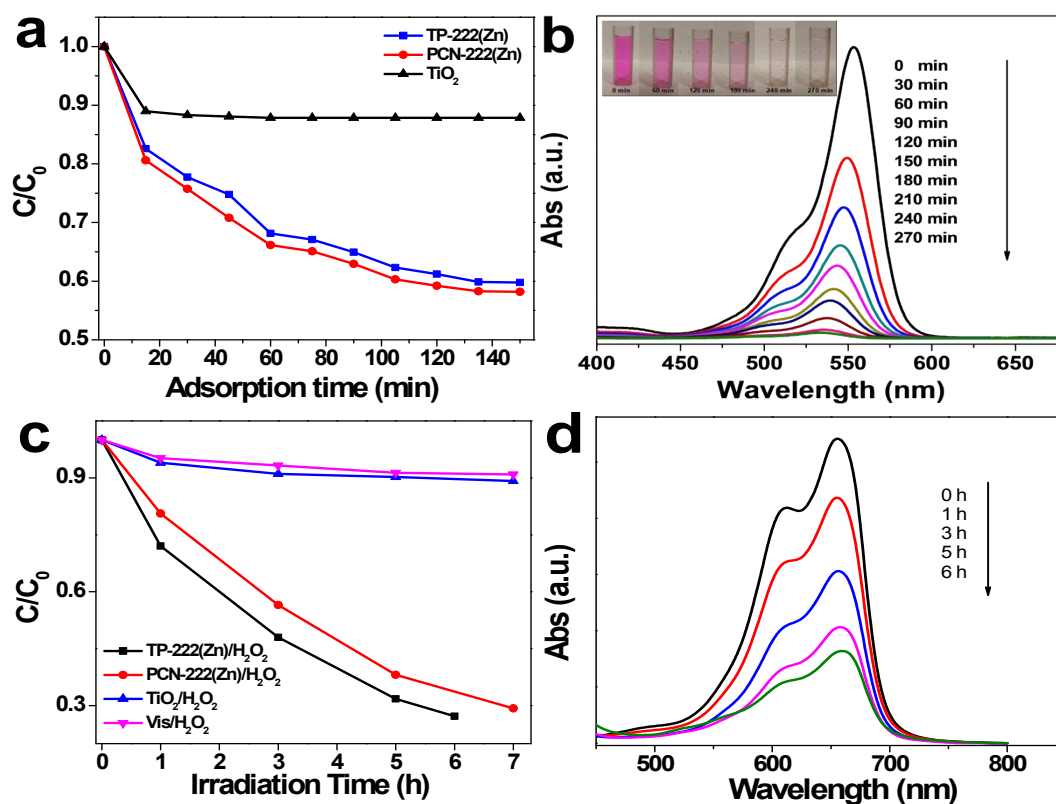


Fig. S10 (a) Adsorption equilibrium plots of RhB solution over TP-222(Zn), PCN-222(Zn) and TiO_2 . (c) C/C_0 versus irradiation time curves for degrading MB. (b) and (d) Absorption spectra of RhB and MB solutions under different irradiation time by using TP-222(Zn), respectively. The inset shows the color changes of the RhB solutions corresponding to the six degradation times from 0 min to 270 min.

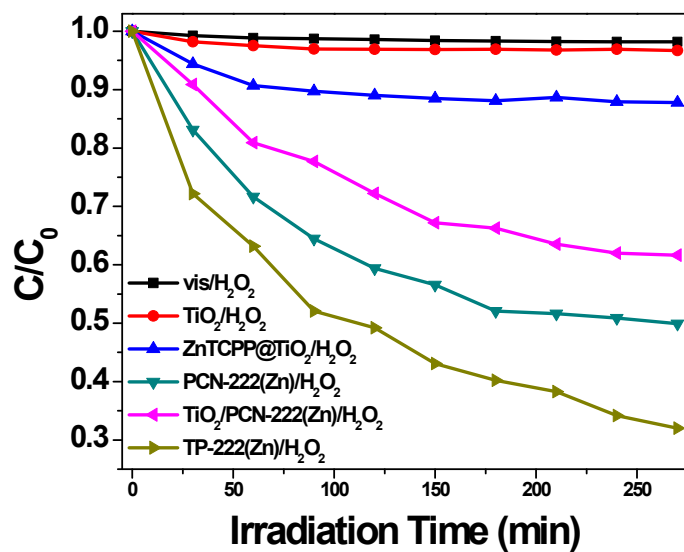


Fig. S11 Degradation of 2,4-DNP in different photocatalytic systems under visible light irradiation. (Experimental conditions: samples, 2, 2.4 or 2.2 mg; 2,4-DNP, 50 ml/20 mg L⁻¹; 30 wt% H₂O₂, 2 ml.)

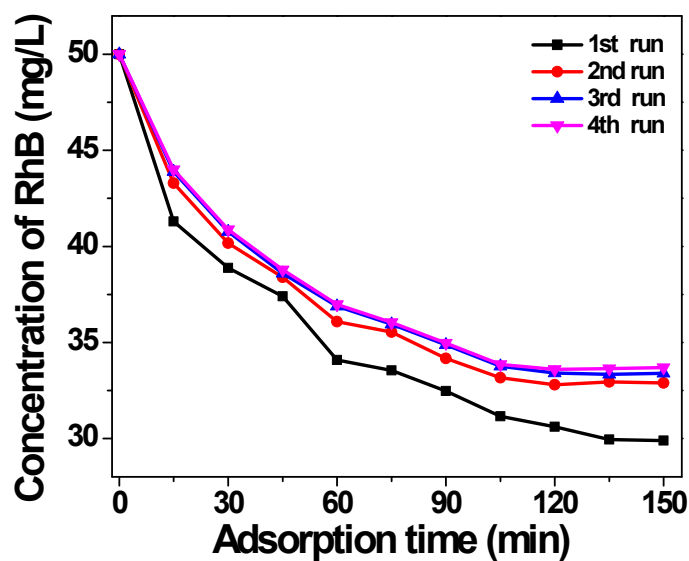


Fig. S12 Adsorption equilibrium plots of RhB solutions over the TP-222(Zn) composite for four cycles.

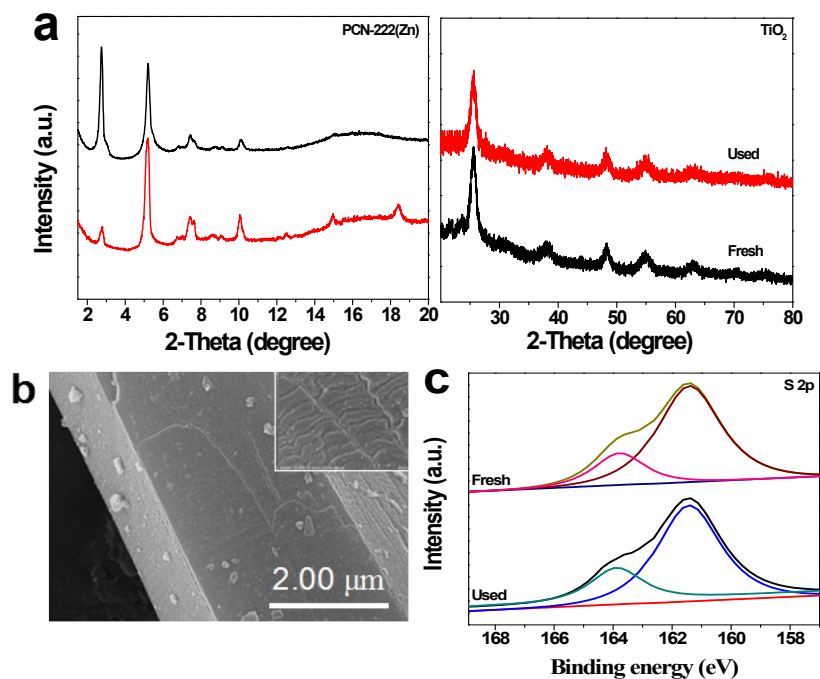


Fig. S13 (a) XRD patterns of the TP-222(Zn) composite before and after four photocatalytic degradation cycles. (b) SEM images of the TP-222(Zn) composite after four photocatalytic degradation cycles under visible light irradiation. (c) Comparison of S 2p XPS spectrum of the TP-222(Zn) composite before and after four photocatalytic degradation cycles.

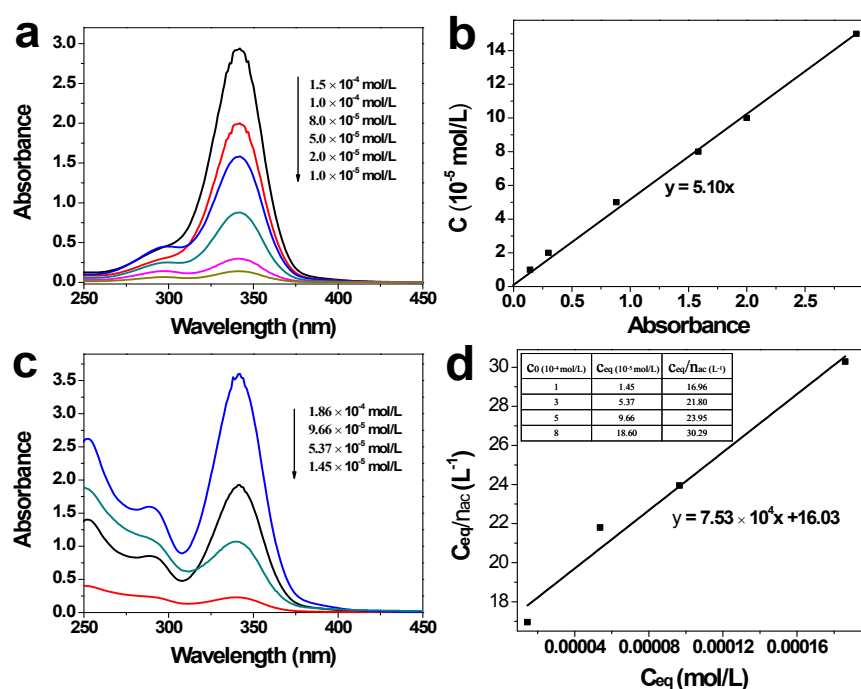


Fig. S14 Binding constant measurements. (a) UV-Vis absorption spectra of 4-PySH with different concentrations. (b) The fitted plot of C (4-PySH in EtOH) versus absorbance together with the corresponding fitting function. (c) UV-Vis absorption spectra of 4-PySH after adsorbing on TiO₂ NPs for 72 h. (d) The fitted plot of C_{eq}/n_{ac} versus C_{eq} together with the corresponding fitting function. The inset shows the values of C_0 , C_{eq} and C_{eq}/n_{ac} .

Determining the binding constant of 4-PySH to TiO₂ surface.¹

In these experiments, 50 mg TiO₂ NPs were immersed in four ethanol solutions of 4-PySH for 72 h (the concentrations are respectively 1×10^{-4} , 3×10^{-4} , 5×10^{-4} and 8×10^{-4} mol/L). TiO₂ NPs were subsequently removed by centrifugation and the supernatant was subjected to UV-Vis absorption spectroscopy analysis in order to determine the equilibrium concentration (C_{eq}) of the 4-PySH ethanol solution. The adsorption capacity (n_{ac}) of 4-PySH was calculated from the difference in the concentrations before and after equilibration with TiO₂ NPs, in which the concentrations were determined by the fitting function of C versus absorbance (as shown in Fig. S14b). Then, the data were plotted according to the Langmuir isotherm equation:

$$\frac{C_{eq}}{n_{ac}} = aC_{eq} + b$$

The binding constant (K , M⁻¹) is calculated as $K = a/b$ based on the fitted line in Fig. S14d.

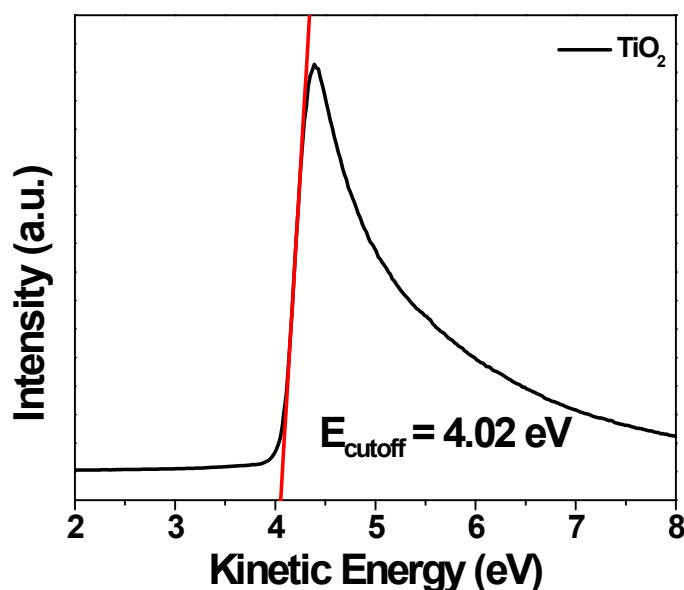


Fig. S15 UPS spectra and E_{cutoff} of the pristine TiO₂.

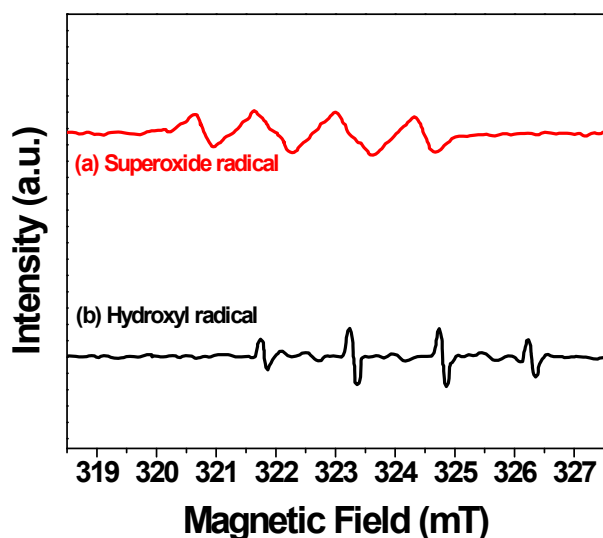


Fig. S16 DMPO spin-trapping EPR spectra of the TP-222(Zn) without H₂O₂ system in methanol dispersion for DMPO-•O₂⁻ (a) and the TP-222(Zn) with H₂O₂ system in aqueous dispersion for DMPO-•OH (b).

Table S1 The operating conditions used for ICP-MS measurements.

Nebulizer	Babington
Spray chamber	Quartz
Reaction gas flow rate	2 mL min ⁻¹
Carrier gas flow rate	1.15 L min ⁻¹
RF power	1500 W
Resolution (amu)	2 ~ 260
Integration time	1 s
Replicates	3
Detector mode	Auto
Analytical masses	Ti (47), Zr (92)

Table S2 Loading amounts of TiO₂ NPs in composite TP-222(Zn) determined by ICP-MS.

	Concentration (μg L ⁻¹)		Loading amounts of TiO ₂ NPs (wt.%)
	Ti	Zr	
Before photocatalysis	4.2	6.9	18.3
After photocatalysis	2.9	5.4	16.6
TiO ₂ /PCN-222(Zn)	0.9	4.5	7.6

The loading amounts of TiO₂ NPs in the TP-222(Zn) composite or the mixture of TiO₂ NPs and PCN-222(Zn) is calculated based on the detected concentrations of Ti and Zr and also based on the formula (C₄₈H₃₂ZnN₄O₁₆Zr₃) of PCN-222(Zn) with the formula weight of 1259.84.^[2]

Table S3 Comparative study of the photocatalytic activity of the TP-222(Zn) composite with other materials including MOF materials and non-MOF materials in the complete photocatalytic degradation of RhB under visible light irradiation.

Catalysts	Volume of RhB solution (ml)	Conc. of RhB solution (mg L ⁻¹)	Conc. of catalyst (mg L ⁻¹)	Degradation time (min)	References
MIL-53(Fe)	25	10	400	70	[3]
g-C ₃ N ₄ /MIL-125(Ti)	100	50	400	60	[4]
Ag ₂ CO ₃ /UiO-66(Zr)	30	14.37	500	120	[5]
Fe ₂ O ₃ @SnO ₂	25	25	600	40	[6]
BiOCl	15	60	667	60	[7]
TiO ₂ /CdS	70	15	1000	120	[8]
Ag ₃ PO ₄ /WS ₂	20	4.79	1000	10	[9]
3DOM g-C ₃ N ₄	70	10	1000	40	[10]
Bi ₃ NbO ₇	50	4.79	1000	50	[11]
Bi ₂ WO ₆	100	10	500	50	[12]
Bi ₂ S ₃ /Bi ₂ O ₂ CO ₃	50	4.79	1000	30	[13]
TP-222(Zn)	50	50	48	270	This work

Table S4 Dynamics analysis of emission decay of PCN-222(Zn) and TP-222(Zn).

	τ_1 (ns) (Rel.%)	τ_2 (ns) (Rel.%)	τ_{av} (ns)
PCN-222(Zn)	0.3 (68.6)	2.3 (31.4)	1.8
TP-222(Zn)	0.9 (59.8)	5.4 (40.2)	4.5

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