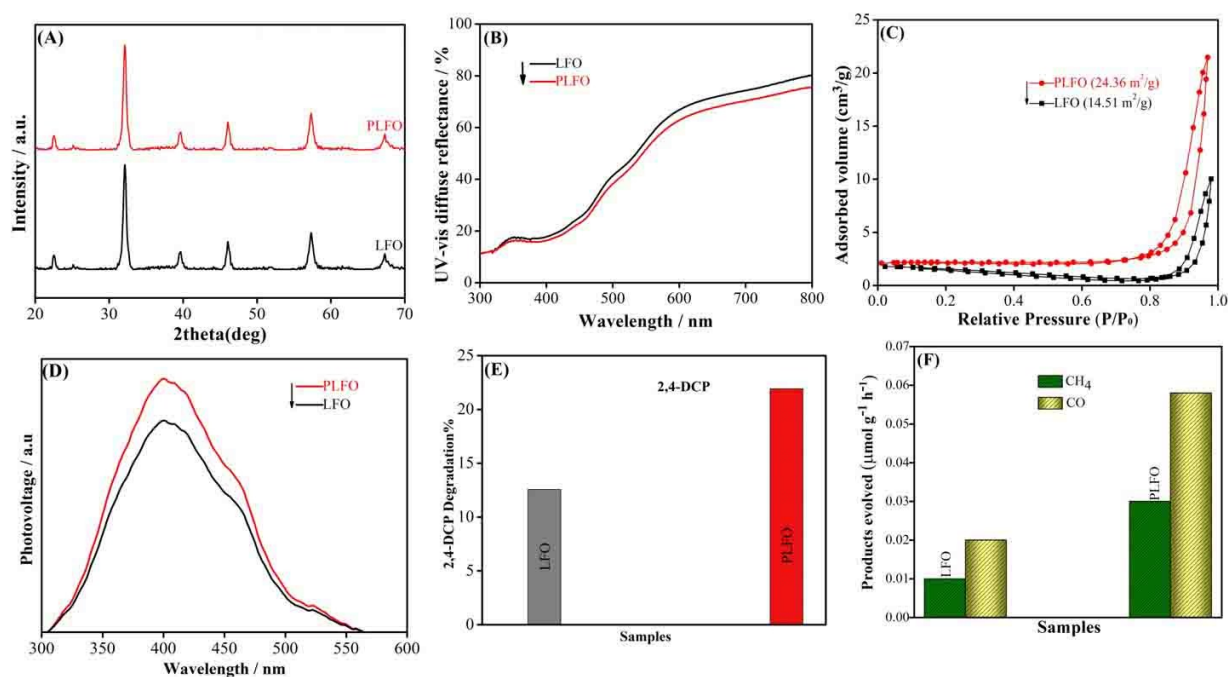


## Supporting Information

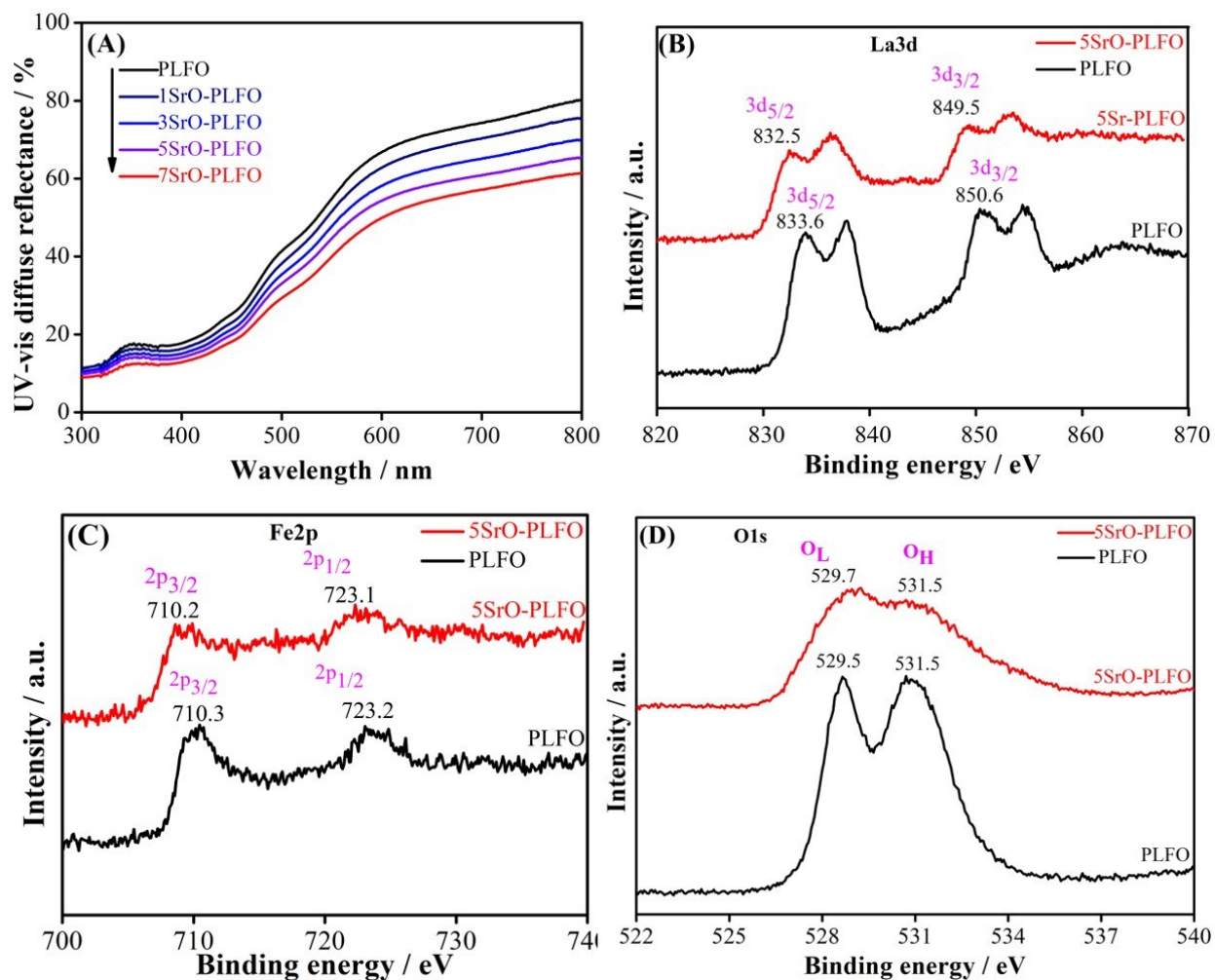
# Improved visible-light photoactivities of porous LaFeO<sub>3</sub> by coupling with nanosized alkaline earth metal oxides and its mechanism insight

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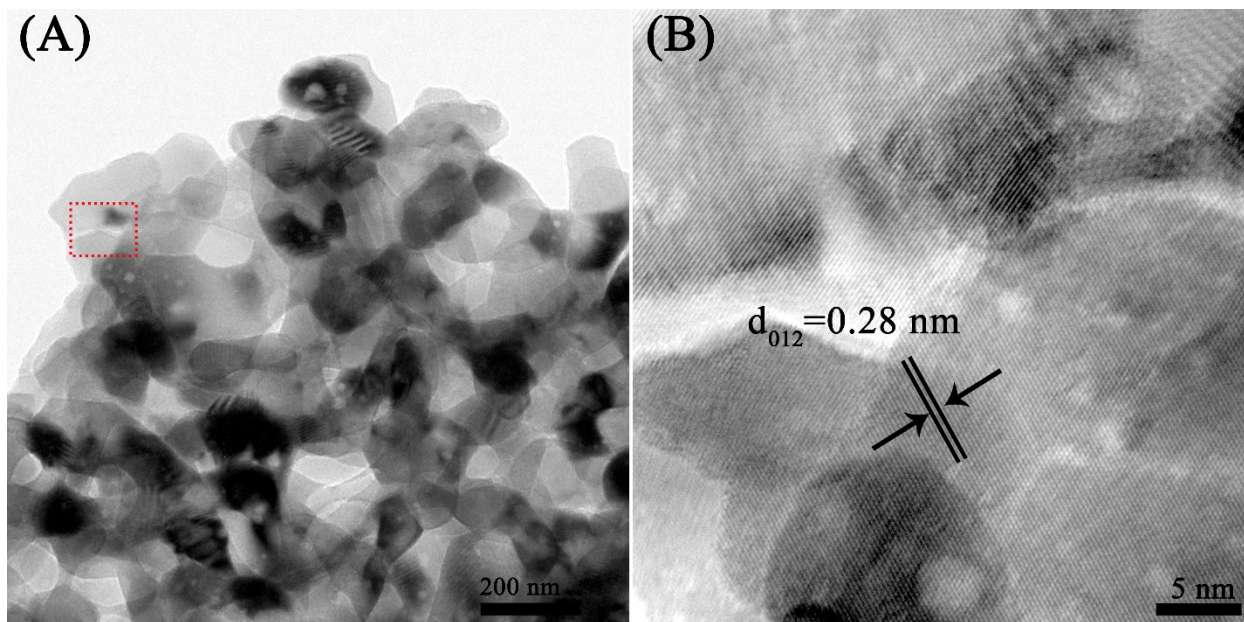
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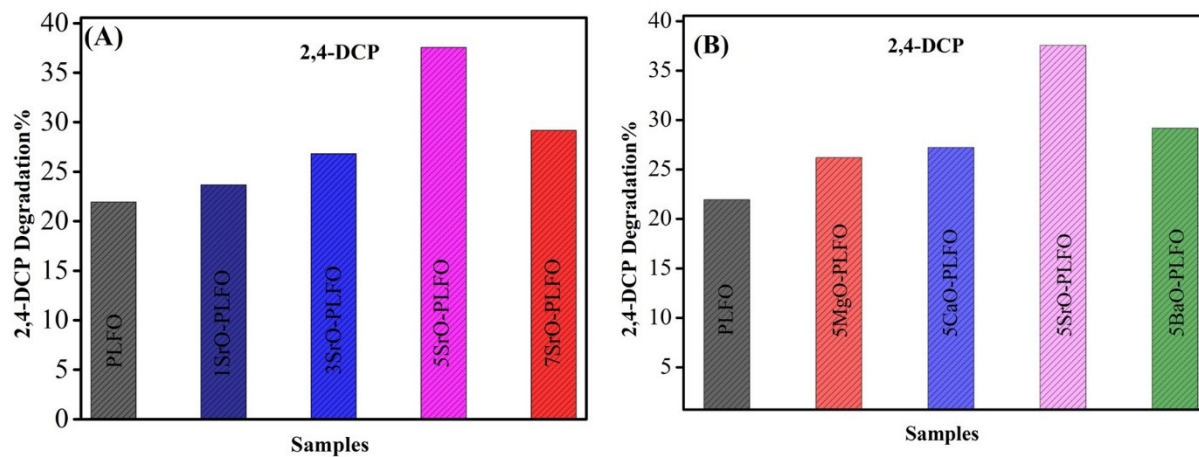
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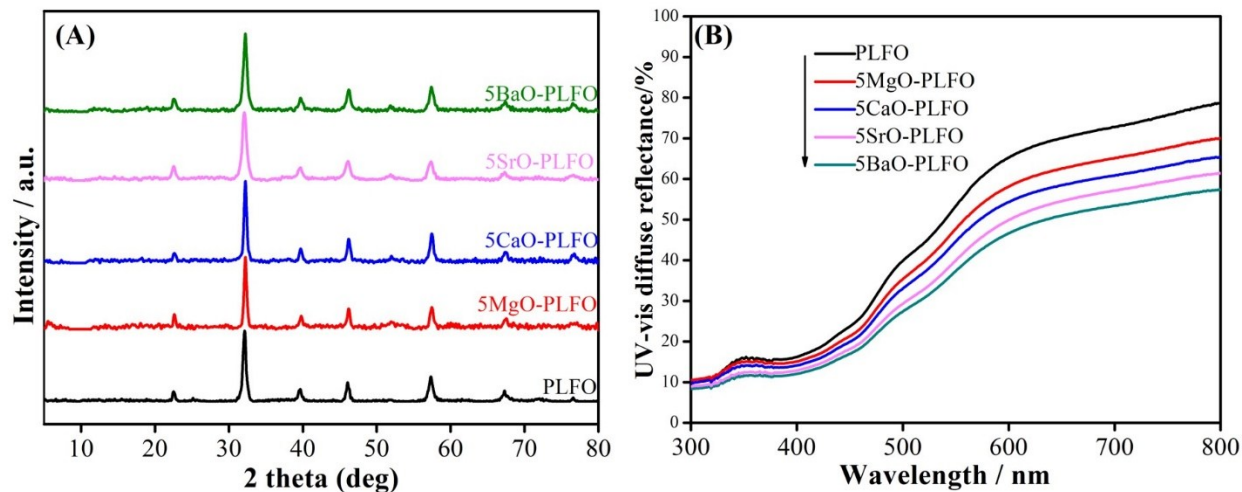
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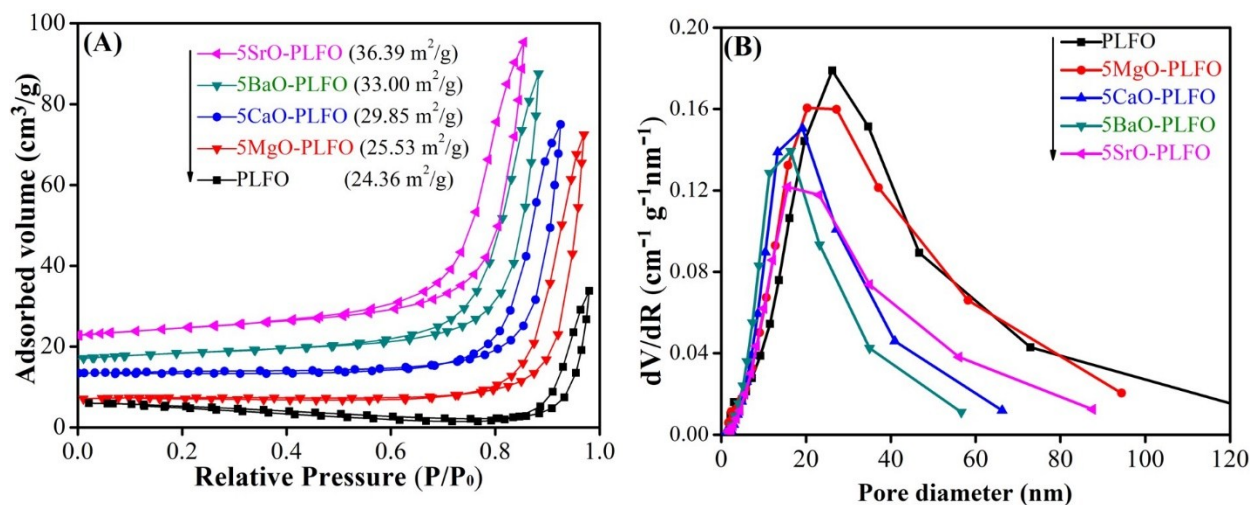
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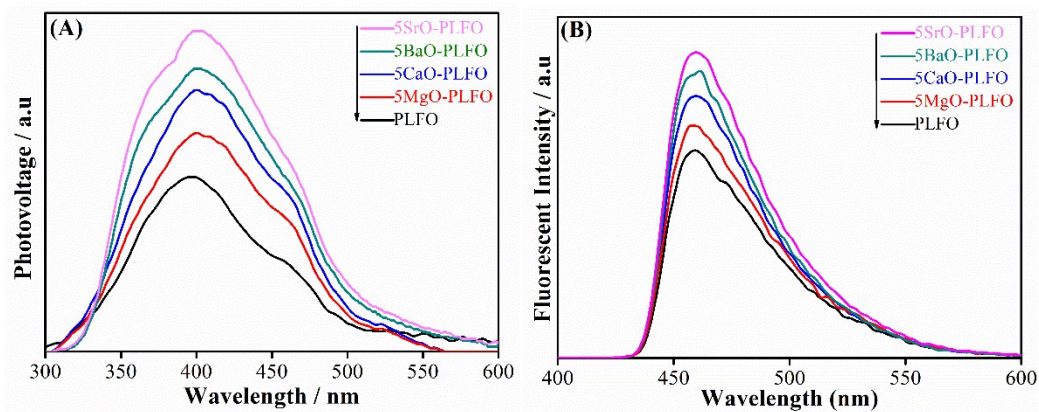
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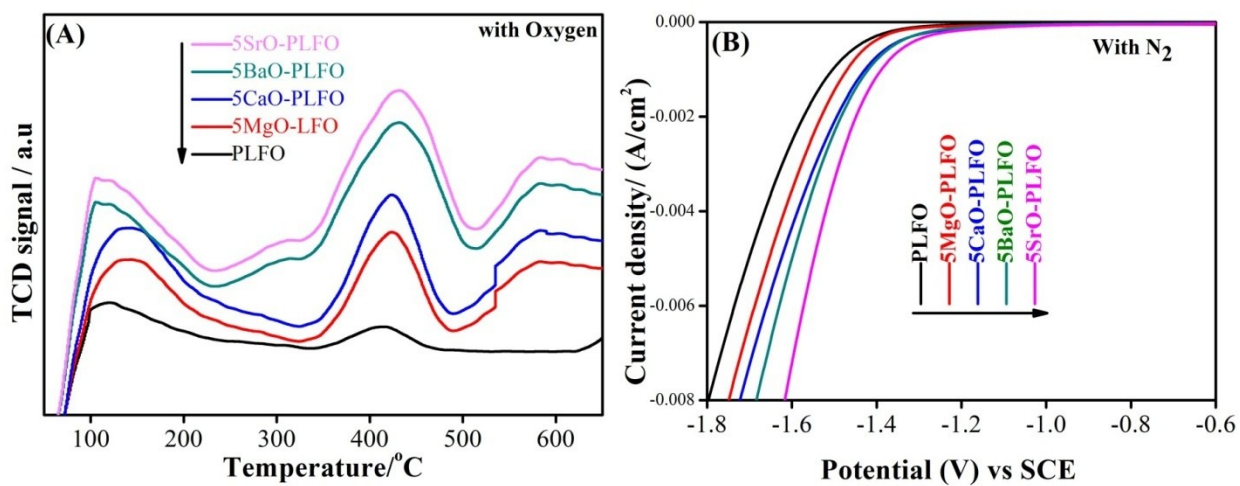
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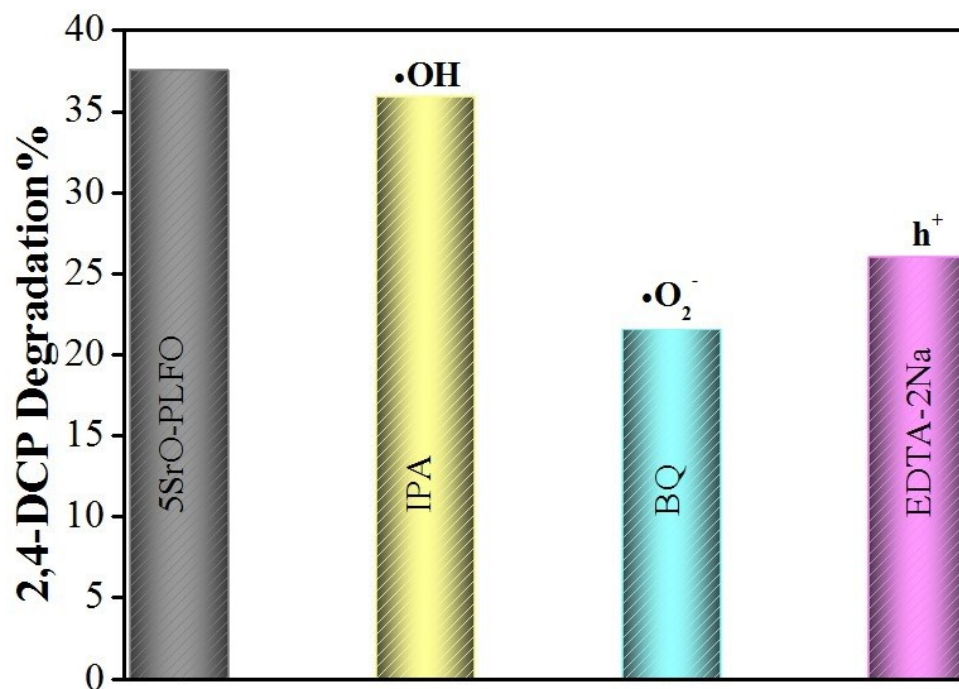
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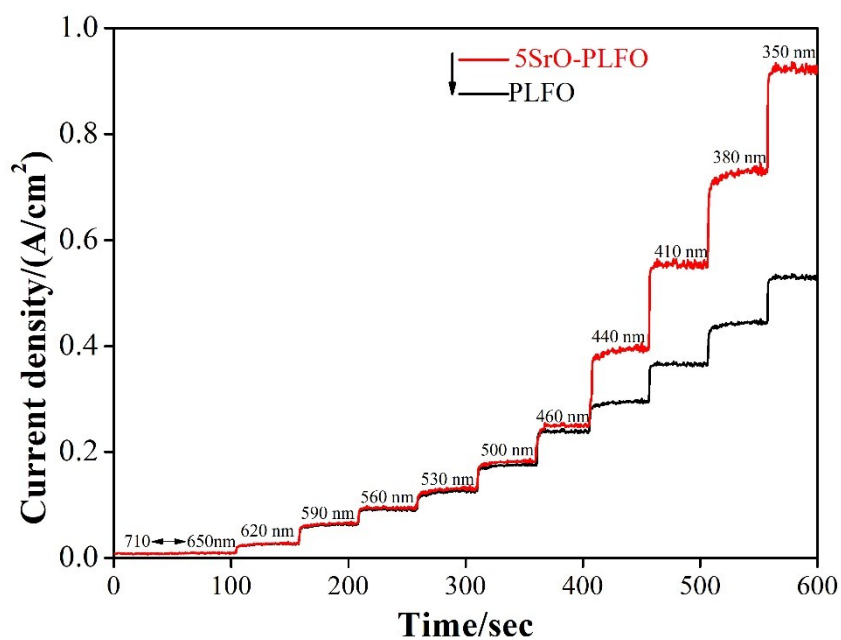
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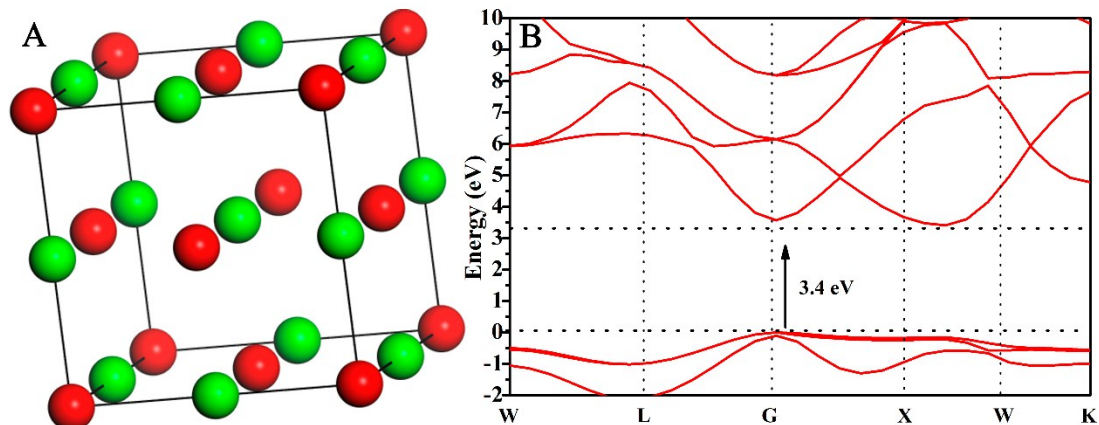
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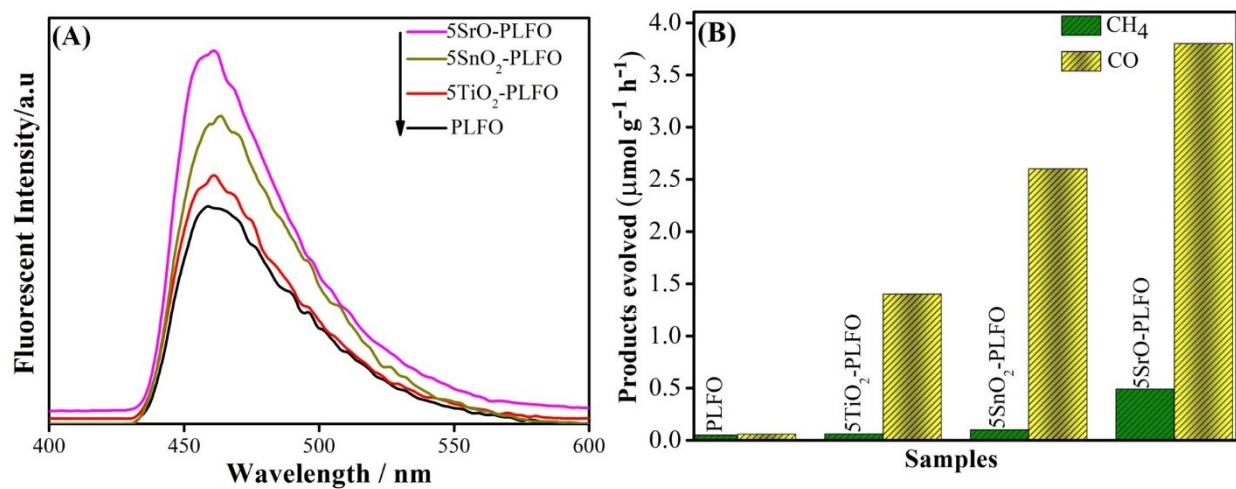
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**Figure S10** Photocurrent action spectra of PLFO and 5SrO-PLFO samples.



**Figure S11** The crystal structure (A) and band diagram of SrO (B). The calculations were performed within the framework of density functional theory (DFT) framework embedded in the CASTEP code. The exchange-correlation energy is treated with generalized gradient approximation (GGA), using spin-polarized Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) functional.



**Figure S12** FS spectra related produced  $\bullet$ OH radicals (A) and visible-light activities (B) of 5SrO-PLFO, 5SnO<sub>2</sub>-PLFO, 5TiO<sub>2</sub>-PLFO and PLFO.