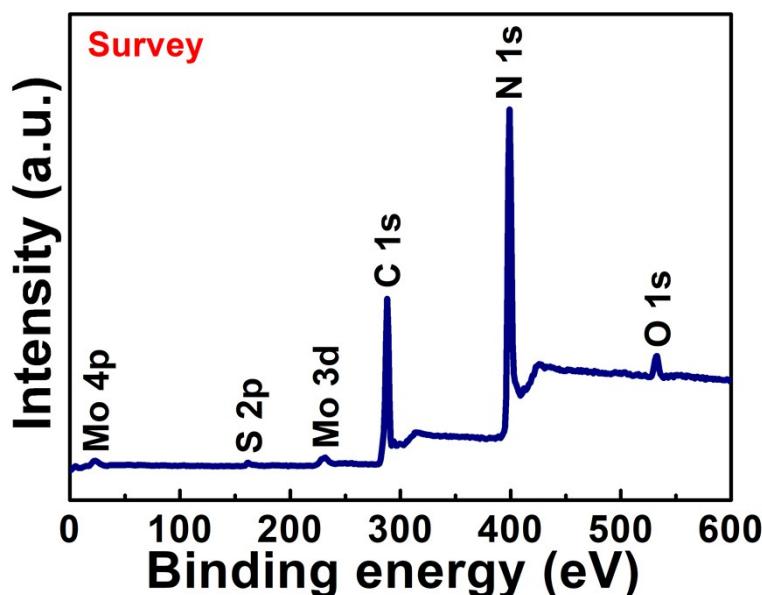


## Supporting Information

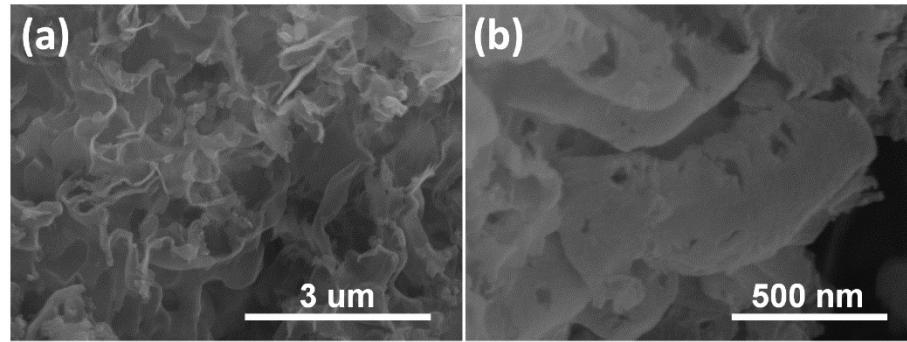
### Metallic 1T-phase MoS<sub>2</sub> quantum dots/g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> heterojunctions for enhanced photocatalytic hydrogen evolution

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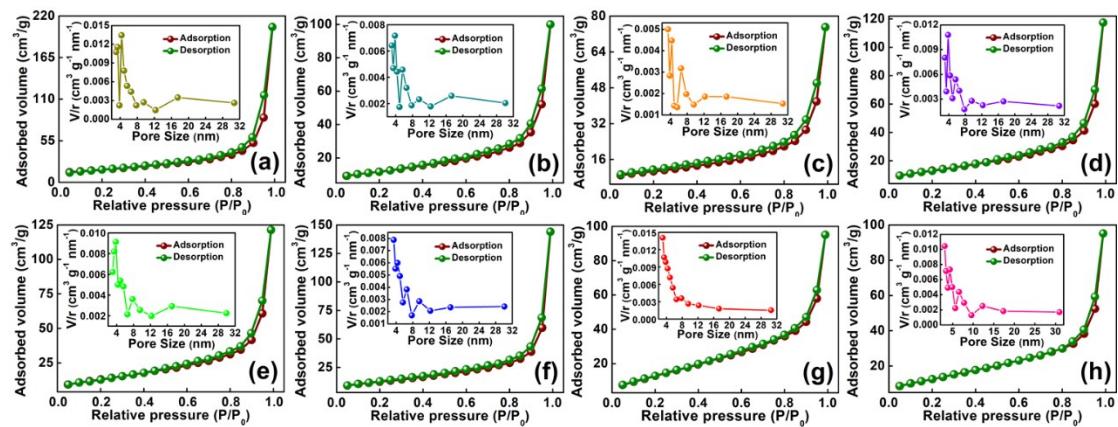
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**Fig. S1.** XPS survey spectra of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites (15 wt%).



**Fig. S2.** SEM images of pure g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> NSs.

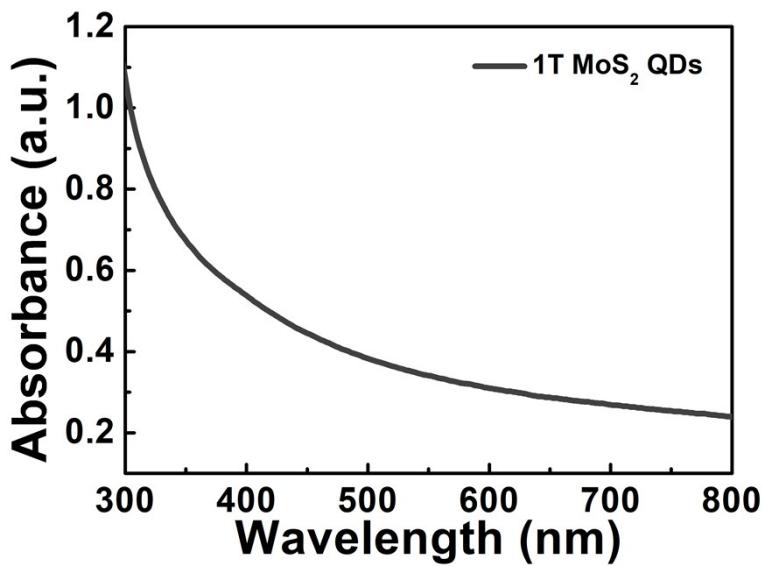


**Fig. S3.** Nitrogen adsorption/desorption isotherms of (a) g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> NSs and 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites containing different amounts of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs: (b) 1, (c) 3, (d) 5, (e) 7, (f) 9, (g) 15 and (h) 20 wt% (inset shows the corresponding BJH pore size distribution curves).

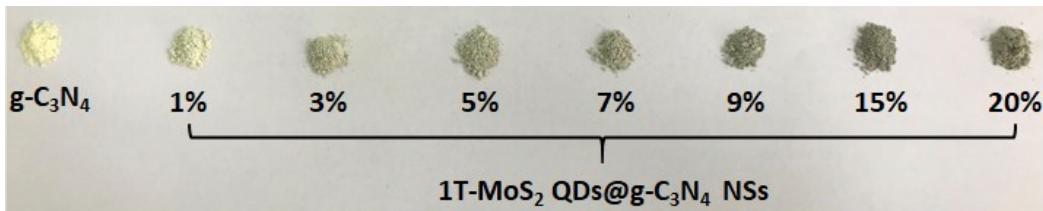
**Table S1.** BET surface area of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites containing

different amounts of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs (1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 15 and 20 wt%).

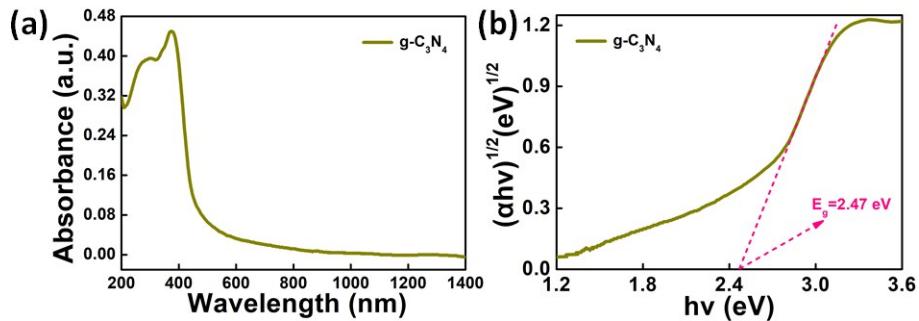
Samples	BET Surface area (m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -1 wt%	41.379
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -3 wt%	36.004
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -5 wt%	47.938
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -7 wt%	48.450
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -9 wt%	45.018
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -15 wt%	53.643



**Fig. S4.** UV-vis light absorption spectrum of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs.



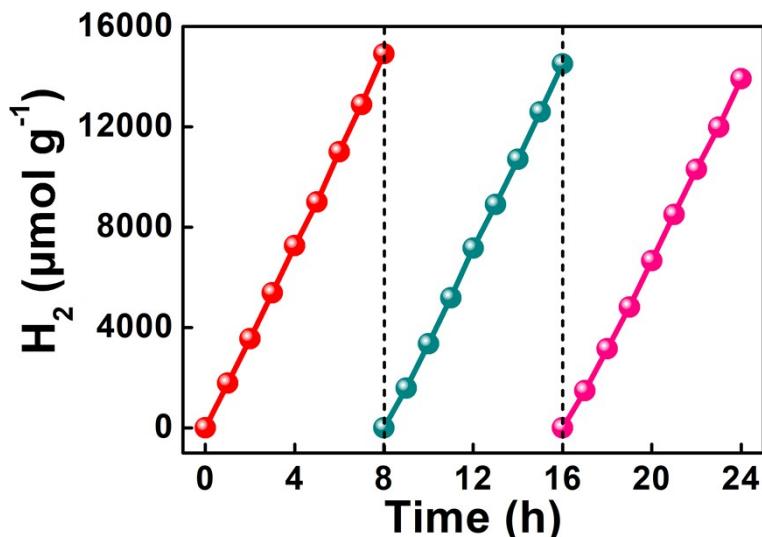
**Fig. S5.** Optical photographs of g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> NSs and 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites containing different amounts of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs (1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 15 and 20 wt%).



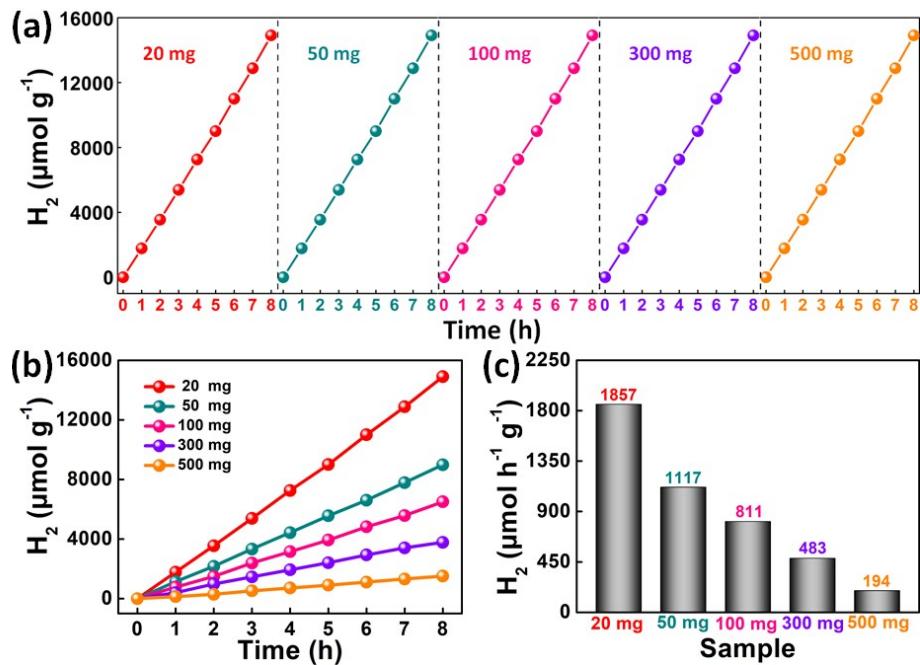
**Fig. S6.** (a) UV-vis-NIR diffuse reflectance spectra and (b) band gap values of pure g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> NSs.

**Table S2.** Hydrogen evolution performance of the as-prepared MoS<sub>2</sub>@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> compared with some of the typical semiconductors.

evolution ( $\mu\text{mol g}^{-1}$ $\text{h}^{-1}$ )				
g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /Ag/MoS <sub>2</sub>	104	100 mg of photocatalysts, 100 mL of aqueous solutions with 15 vol % of TEOA	visible light irradiation, $\lambda > 420 \text{ nm}$	1
g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /RGO/MoS <sub>2</sub>	317	TEOA aqueous solution	visible light irradiation, $\lambda > 420 \text{ nm}$	2
2D-2D MoS <sub>2</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	1155	50 mg of photocatalysts, 250 ml 0.1 M TEOA aqueous acetone	300 W Xeon lamp, $\lambda > 420 \text{ nm}$	3
MoS <sub>2</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /GO	1650	4 mg of photocatalysts, 20 mL aqueous solution containing Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> (0.25 M)	450 W xenon lamp with AM 1.5 filter	4
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> /O-g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	1841	10 mg of photocatalysts, 100 mL TEOA/H <sub>2</sub> O (1:9 by volume)	300 W Xeon arc lamp, $\lambda > 400 \text{ nm}$	5
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> (this paper)	1857	20 mg of photocatalysts, 20 mL TEOA, 80 mL deionized water	300 W Xeon arc lamp with AM-1.5 filter	



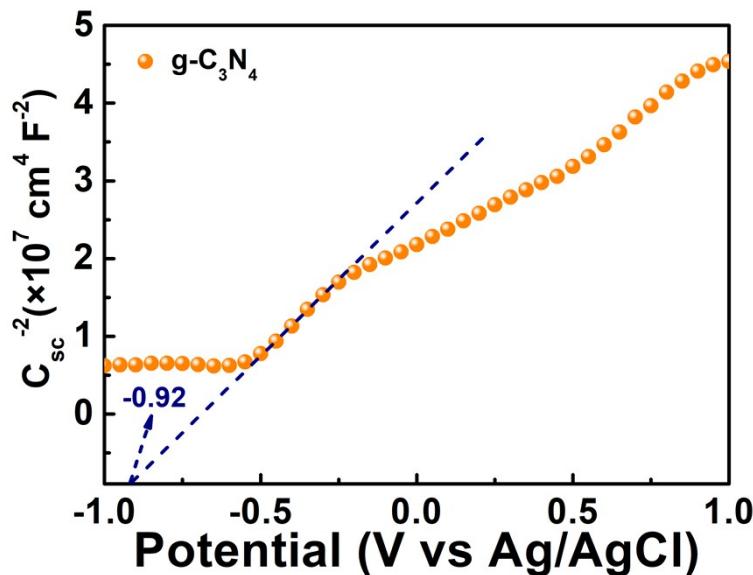
**Fig. S7.** Stability and recyclability of the 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites (15 wt%).



**Fig. S8.** (a) Cumulated evolution of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites (15 wt%) of different dosages with the same concentration. (b) Cumulated evolution and (b) photocatalytic H<sub>2</sub> evolution rate of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites (15 wt%) of different dosages and different concentration.

**Table S3.** Comparison of AQE values over g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> NSs and 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> composites containing different amounts of 1T-MoS<sub>2</sub> QDs (1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 15 and 20 wt%) under simulated solar light.

Samples	AQE values (%)
g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> NSs	0.15
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -1 wt%	1.71
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -3 wt%	2.20
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -5 wt%	2.78
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -7 wt%	3.42
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -9 wt%	4.54
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -15 wt%	5.76
1T-MoS <sub>2</sub> QDs@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> -20 wt%	4.33



**Fig. S9.** Mott-Schottky plot of  $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$  NSs.

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