

Supporting Information

S1, Fabrication of H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI (p/n) nano-heterojunctions.

The single-crystal p/n heterojunction nanostructures were synthesized by selective crystallization of tetraphenylporphyrin (H₂TPP) and N,N-(dicyclohexyl) perylene-3,4,9,10-tetracarboxylic diimide (CH-PTCDI), given that H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI bilayer is a typical example of a p-like/n-like molecular organic semiconductor heterojunction, which is a common component in photocells, LEDs, and other devices.^{S1-3} The synthesis of the H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nano-heterojunctions was performed using the physical vapor transport technique in a two-zone horizontal tube furnace. H₂TPP was put at the furnace center, CH-PTCDI was located at 6 cm upstream of the center and the deposited Si substrate was located the downstream of the center. Before heated, high-purity argon was introduced into the quartz tube with a constant flowing of 60 sccm (standard cubic centimeter per minute) for 40 min to deterge the air inside. The furnace was subsequently heated to 380 °C in 8 min, and maintained at this temperature for 3-5 min. Then, the furnace cooled naturally to room temperature. High-purity argon was still kept at a constant flowing of 60 sccm and a pressure of ~45 Pa overall the preparation process. Separated H₂TPP and CH-PTCDI nanostructures were obtained respectively by putting single sample in the furnace when keeping other experimental conditions consistent.

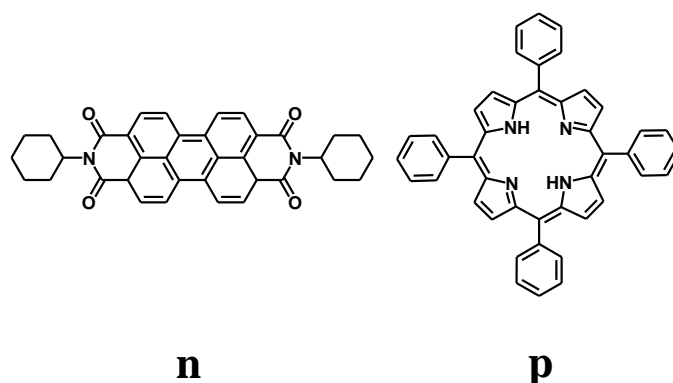


Fig. S1. Molecular structures of CH-PTCDI (n) and H₂TPP (p).

S2, Morphology measurements of H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nano-heterojunctions.

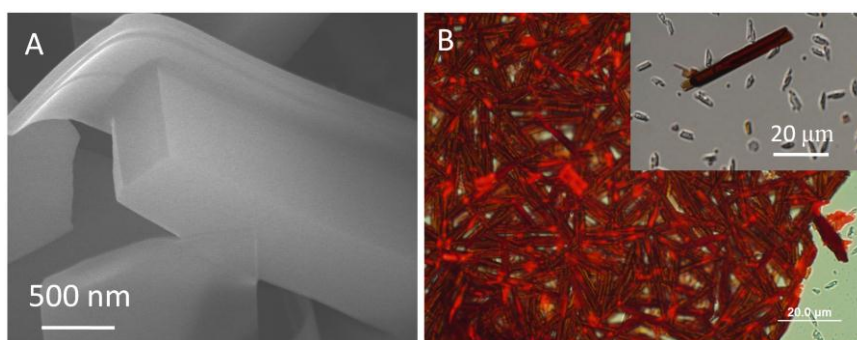


Fig. S2. A) The magnified SEM image of H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nanostructure. B) The confocal microscopy image of H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nanostructures, inset is the magnified image.

S3, XRD characterization of H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nano-heterojunctions.

The XRD patterns of the as-prepared nanostructures are given in **Fig. S3**. The peaks at 2θ values of 7.03, 8.72, and 17.57 correspond to (010), (100), and (200) crystal planes of H₂TPP single crystals^{S4}, while the peaks at 2θ values of 9.62, 12.65, 14.38, 16.40, and 24.17 can be indexed to (020), (100), (030), (004), and (050) crystal planes of CH-PTCDI single crystals^{S5}. The d -spacings deduced from the XRD spectra, 10.13 Å (100) in H₂TPP, 9.18 Å (020) and 6.98 Å (100) in CH-PTCDI, are consistent with the results obtained from the electron diffraction (inset in **Fig. 2B**). For H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nanostructures, as its XRD spectrum showed, the (010) and (200) crystal planes belonging to H₂TPP, as well as the (020) crystal plane belonging to CH-PTCDI, were all observed to prove the coexistence of individual phases of CH-PTCDI and H₂TPP.

We expect that this single-crystal H₂TPP/CH-PTCDI nano-heterojunction is formed as a result of interfacial matching parameters such as growth a face with strong attractive interactions (e.g., along the π - π stacking direction) and similar lattice constants at interfaces of the two respect crystal faces.^{S6-8} There is a limited mismatch (10.1%) between the lattice parameters of H₂TPP ($d_{020}=1/2*d_{010}=6.28$ Å) and CH-PTCDI ($d_{100}=6.99$ Å) along the π - π stacking direction of this 1D nanostructure, which is important for epitaxial crystallization of H₂TPP and CH-PTCDI.

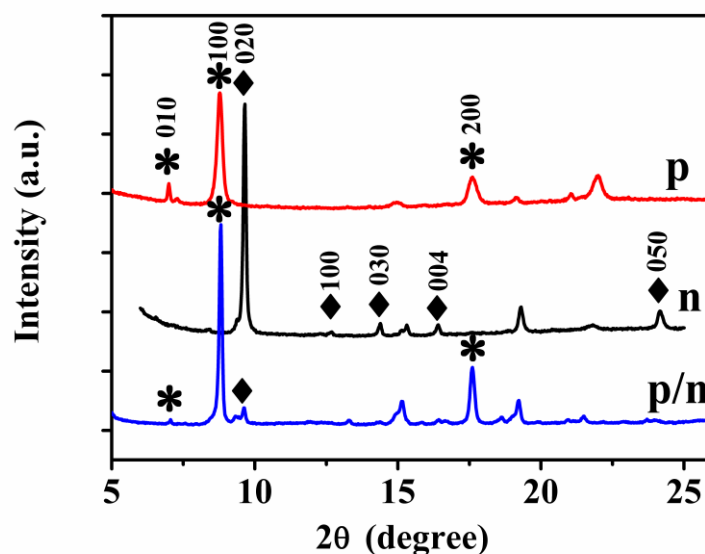


Fig. S3. X-Ray diffraction patterns of CH-PTCDI (n), H_2TPP (p), and $H_2TPP/CH-PTCDI$ (p/n) nanostructures.

S4, Photocatalytic activity evaluation.

For the evaluation of the photocatalyst activity, the catalyst was suspended in an aqueous solution (0.05 g L^{-1} , pH=7) of MB (0.01 mM , 100 mL) and phenol (18 mg/L , 100 mL), respectively, in a Pyrex glass. Before irradiation, the suspension was stirred well in the dark overnight until an adsorption-desorption equilibrium was finally established. A Xe lamp (500 W) equipped with a cut-off filter ($\lambda > 400 \text{ nm}$) was used as the light source. At a given time interval of irradiation, small aliquots were withdrawn and filtered through a membrane. MB and phenol photodegradation were analyzed at 665 nm and 270 nm , respectively on a UVIKON XL spectrometer.

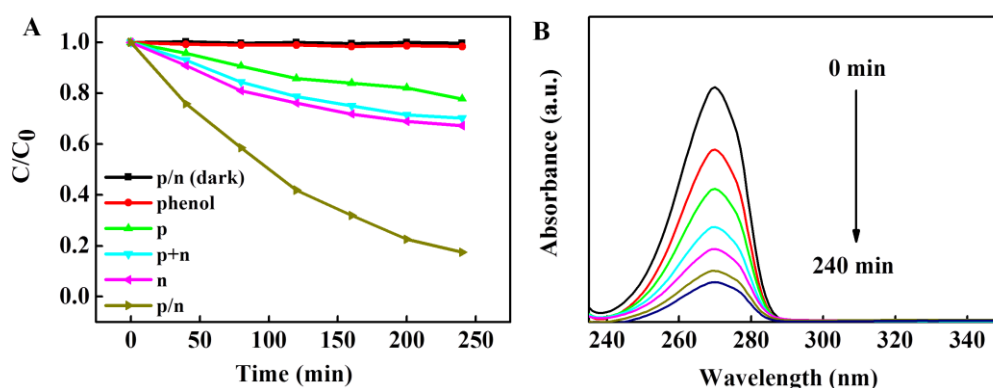


Fig. S4. A) Photocatalytic degradation of phenol with different samples under visible-light irradiation ($\lambda_{\text{irradiation}} > 400$ nm). B) UV-vis absorption spectra of phenol vs. photoreaction time under the action of $\text{H}_2\text{TPP/CH-PTCDI}$ catalysts ($\lambda_{\text{irradiation}} > 400$ nm).

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