Electronic Supplementary Information

Pyrochlore-Like K₂Ta₂O₆ Synthesized from Different Methods as Efficient Photocatalysts for Water Splitting

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Electronic Supplementary Information for:

- (S1) X-ray diffraction patterns of the SG1 and HT1 $K_2Ta_2O_6$ catalysts;
- (S2) PL emission spectra of the SG, SG1, HT, and HT1 K₂Ta₂O₆ catalysts from the excitation line at 230 nm.



Fig. S1 X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) the SG1 K₂Ta₂O₆ powder and (b) HT1 K₂Ta₂O₆ powder. Both the observed (cross) and Rietveld-refinement simulated (line) XRD profiles are shown in this figure. The difference between the observed and simulated data is shown at the bottom of each XRD profile. The reliability factors are $R_{wp} = 0.1121$ and $R_p = 0.1062$ for SG1, $R_{wp} = 0.1274$ and $R_p = 0.1135$ for HT1. The bottom of this figure shows the documented XRD pattern of K₂Ta₂O₆ (JCPDS 35-1464).



Fig. S2 Photoluminescence emission spectra of the SG, SG1, HT, and HT1 $K_2Ta_2O_6$ catalysts measured at 77 K from the excitation line at 230 nm.