

The synergistic photocatalytic effects of surface-modified g-C₃N₄ in simple and complex pollution systems based on the macro- thermodynamics model

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Table S1 The atomic concentrations of C, N, O, and Cl elements in the BCQDs, g-C₃N₄, H⁺/g-C₃N₄, BCQDs/g-C₃N₄, and H⁺/BCQDs/g-C₃N₄.

Photocatalysts	C	N	O	Cl
BCQDs	74.36	0.97	24.67	–
g-C ₃ N ₄	54.50	42.13	3.37	–
H ⁺ /g-C ₃ N ₄	57.70	35.62	6.30	0.38
BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄	52.89	43.40	3.71	–
H ⁺ /BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄	53.42	41.59	4.63	0.36

Table S2 The Cr(VI) reduction kinetic parameters of as-prepared g-C₃N₄, H⁺/g-C₃N₄, BCQDs/g-C₃N₄, and H⁺/BCQDs/g-C₃N₄.

Photocatalysts	First order kinetic plot	K (min ⁻¹)	R ²
g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0000t-0.0088	0.0000	0.1381
H ⁺ /g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0053t+0.2843	0.0053	0.9768
BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0033t-0.0695	0.0033	0.9923
H ⁺ /BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.1043t+5.9681	0.1043	0.9554

Table S3 The atomic concentrations of C, N, O, and Cl elements in the H⁺/BCQDs/g-C₃N₄ before and after photocatalytic reduction of aqueous Cr(VI).

Photocatalysts	C	N	O	Cl
H ⁺ /BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄ (before)	53.42	41.59	4.63	0.36
H ⁺ /BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄ (after)	40.29	56.12	3.56	0.04

Table S4 The 4-FP degradation kinetic parameters of as-prepared g-C₃N₄, H⁺/g-C₃N₄, BCQDs/g-C₃N₄, and H⁺/BCQDs/g-C₃N₄.

Photocatalysts	First order kinetic plot	K (min ⁻¹)	R ²
g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0116t+0.6501	0.0116	0.9877
H ⁺ /g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0512t+3.2674	0.0512	0.9156
BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0072t+0.4099	0.0072	0.9473
H ⁺ /BCQDs/g-C ₃ N ₄	-0.0145t+0.7816	0.0145	0.9913

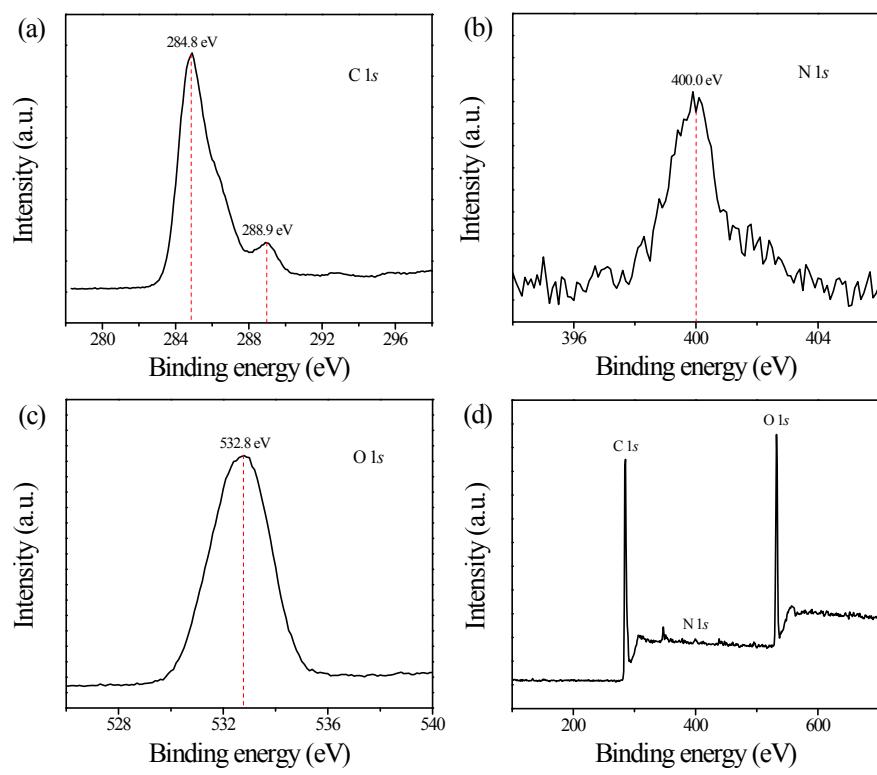


Fig. S1 High-resolution (a, b, and c) and full-range (d) XPS of as-prepared BCQDs in the C 1s, N 1s, and O 1s binding energy regions.

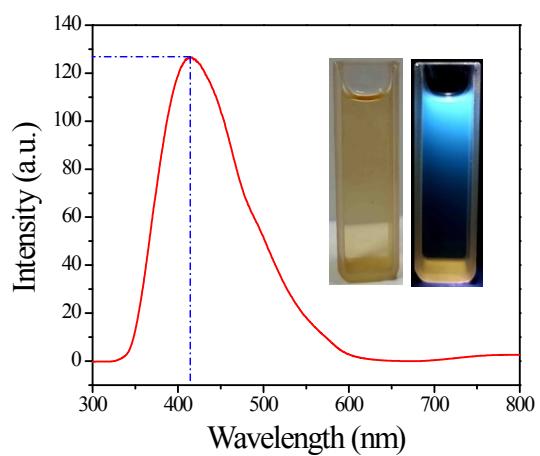


Fig. S2 PL spectrum and corresponding fluorescence image of as-prepared BCQDs aqueous precursor.

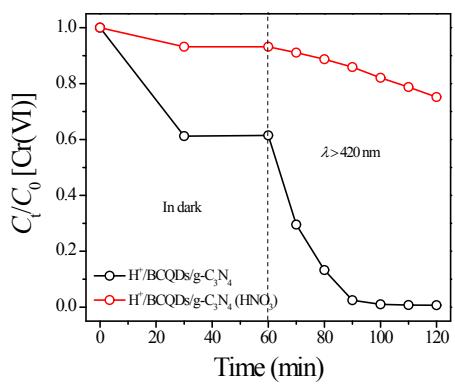


Fig. S3 The photocatalytic activity comparison of $\text{H}^+/\text{BCQDs/g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ and HNO_3 treated $\text{H}^+/\text{BCQDs/g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ toward aqueous Cr(VI) reduction.

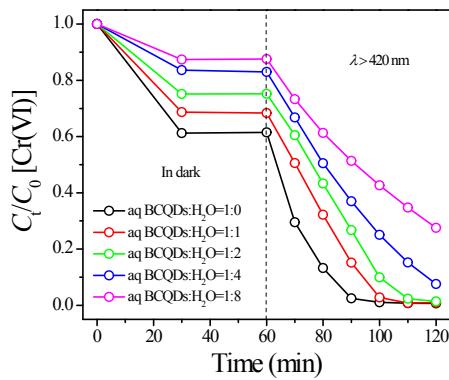


Fig. S4 Influence of BCQDs aqueous precursor concentrations on the photocatalytic activities of $\text{H}^+/\text{BCQDs}/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ toward aqueous Cr(VI) reduction.

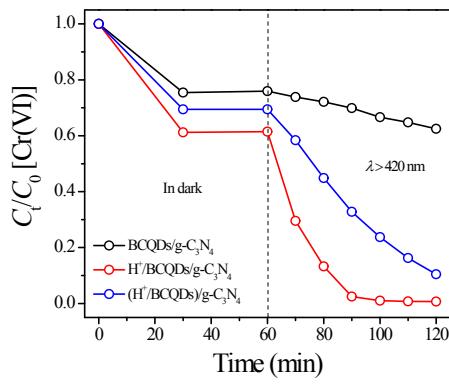


Fig. S5 The photocatalytic activity comparison of BCQDs/g-C₃N₄, H⁺/BCQDs/g-C₃N₄, and (H⁺/BCQDs)/g-C₃N₄ toward aqueous Cr(VI) reduction.

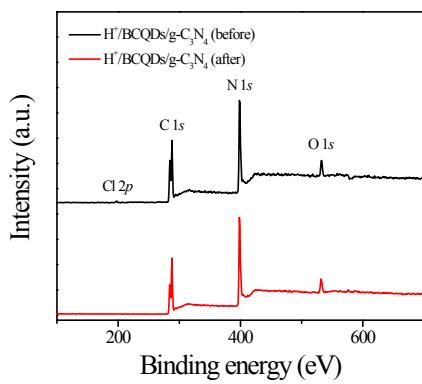


Fig. S6 Full-range XPS of H⁺/BCQDs/g-C₃N₄ in the C 1s, N 1s, O 1s, and Cl 2p binding energy regions before and after photocatalytic reduction of aqueous Cr(VI).

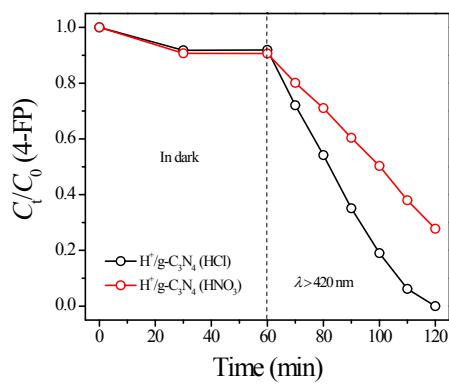


Fig. S7 Photocatalytic degradation of aqueous 4-FP by using HCl or HNO₃ treated g-C₃N₄.

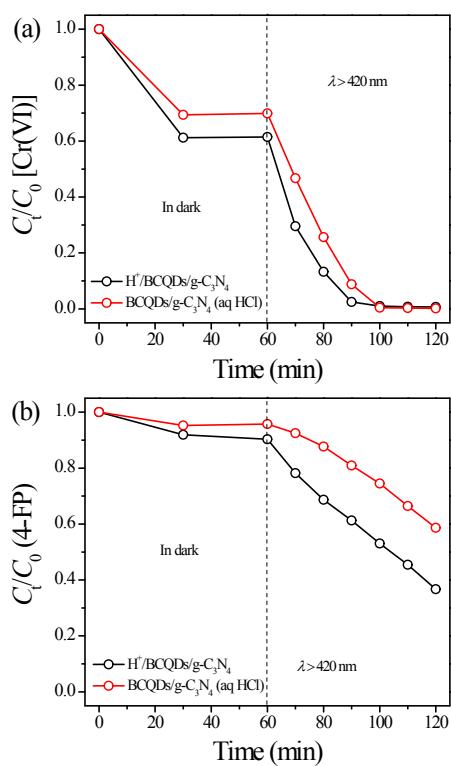


Fig. S8 The photocatalytic activity comparison of $\text{H}^+/\text{BCQDs}/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ and $\text{BCQDs}/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ (aq HCl) toward aqueous Cr(VI) reduction (a) and 4-FP degradation (b).