Supporting Information

Two-dimensional SiAs₂: metal-free photocatalysts for overall water splitting with ultrahigh carrier mobility and pronounced light absorption

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Figure S1. Electron localization functional of penta-SiAs₂ monolayer.



Figure S2. The orientation dependent Young's moduli and Poisson's ratio of penta-SiAs₂.



Figure S3. Snapshots of AIMD simulations of penta-SiAs₂ monolayer at the end of 2 ps with the temperature controlled at 300 K from top view and side view.



Figure S4. Band structure of monolayer panta-SiAs₂ with the GGA-PBE functional.



Figure S5. Band structure of (a) bilayer and (b) trilayer panta-SiAs2 with the HSE06 functional.



Figure S6. Strain energy curves for penta- $SiAs_2$ monolayer. Linear fittings of the CBM and VBM shift with respect to the lattice dilation or compression in transport directions.



Figure S7. Planar-averaged potential along the Z-axis direction for penta-SiAs $_2$ monolayer.



Fig. S8 (a) Energy differences between the configurations of before and after adsorption H, OH, and H_2O , and decomposition of H_2O on monolayer SiAs₂. (b) Energy pathways of releasing of hydrogen on 2D SiAs₂. The red and white spheres represent the O and H atoms, respectively.