Supporting information

W₁₈O₄₉/N-doped reduced graphene oxide hybrid architectures for full-spectrum photocatalytic degradation of organic contaminants in water

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Experimental details

Materials

All the chemicals are analytical grade and can be used without further purification, including crystalline flake graphite (C), hydrochloric acid (HCl), sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄), sodium nitrate (NaNO₃), potassium permanganate (KMnO₄), hydrogen peroxide solution (H₂O₂), ammonium nitrate (NH₄NO₃), glycine (C₂H₅NO₂), ammonium metatungstate [(NH₄)₆H₂W₁₂O₄₀·H₂O, AMT] and rhodamine B (RhB). Dialysis bags were used during the synthesis process of graphene oxide.

Measurements

The phase composition of the samples will be analyzed by X-ray diffractometer (XRD, Bruker D8 Advance) with Cu K α radiation (λ =0.154 05 nm). The morphologies of different samples were characterized on a field emission scanning electron microscopy (SEM, FEI Quanta200F). The microstructures of the samples were observed by transmission electron microscopy (TEM, JEOL JEM-2100). The elemental composition of the sample surface and the W4f binding energy were determined by X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS). On the other hand, the ζ potential of the sample with 250 mg/L concentration was measured by a Malvern Zetasizer instrument (Nano S90, Malvern Instruments Ltd.) at 30 °C. The photocurrent of the samples under UV, Vis and NIR were recorded at a basic of 0 V versus the reference electrode, which could be obtained by an electrochemical workstation. During the test process, an ITO glass coated with W₁₈O₄₉/N-rGO was used as working electrode, the Pt and Na₂SO₄ solution (0.5 mol/L) were acted as reference electrode and electrolyte respectively. The photoluminescence property of products was evaluated by fluorescence spectrometer (FLS 1000) with an excitation wavelength of 270 nm and a scanning wavelength range of 300-800 nm.



Figure S1. (a) The low-magnification TEM image of the as-prepared $W_{18}O_{49}$. (b) The highmagnification TEM image of the as-prepared $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO. (c) The HRTEM image of one typical $W_{18}O_{49}$ with the scale bar of 2 nm. (d) The corresponding SAED of $W_{18}O_{49}$ in (c).



Figure S2. The SEM images (a-c) and Energy-dispersive x-ray spectroscopy (EDS) mappings of (d) O, and (e) W of synthesized W₁₈O₄₉.



Figure S3. The SEM images (a-c) and the EDS mappings of (d) C, (e) O, (f) N of synthesized N-rGO.



Figure S4. (a) The EDX spectrum of $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO. (b) The elemental mapping (C element) of $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO.



Figure S5. (a) Full range XPS spectra of $W_{18}O_{49}$ and $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO. (b) The W4f core level XPS spectra of $W_{18}O_{49}$.



Figure S6. (a) The time-dependent adsorption curve of RhB degraded by the $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO at different temperature of 15, 30 and 45 °C, and that of the $W_{18}O_{49}$ sample at 30 °C. (b) The effects of different active species scavengers on the degradation rate of RhB by $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO under NIR irradiation.



Figure S7. Tauc plots $[(\alpha hv)^{1/2}$ vs. hv] of N-rGO, W₁₈O₄₉ and W₁₈O₄₉/N-rGO.



Figure S8. The photocurrent response of $W_{18}O_{49}/N$ -rGO under UV light (a), Visible light (b), and Near-infrared light (c).



Figure S9. Photoluminescence spectrum of N-rGO (black line), $W_{18}O_{49}$ nanorods (blue line) and $W_{18}O_{49}$ /N-rGO hybrid nanomaterials (red line) with the excitation wavelength of 270 nm.