

Supporting Information for

**Ag/AgCl Nanoparticles Embedded Porous TiO<sub>2</sub>: Defect Formation triggered  
by light irradiation**

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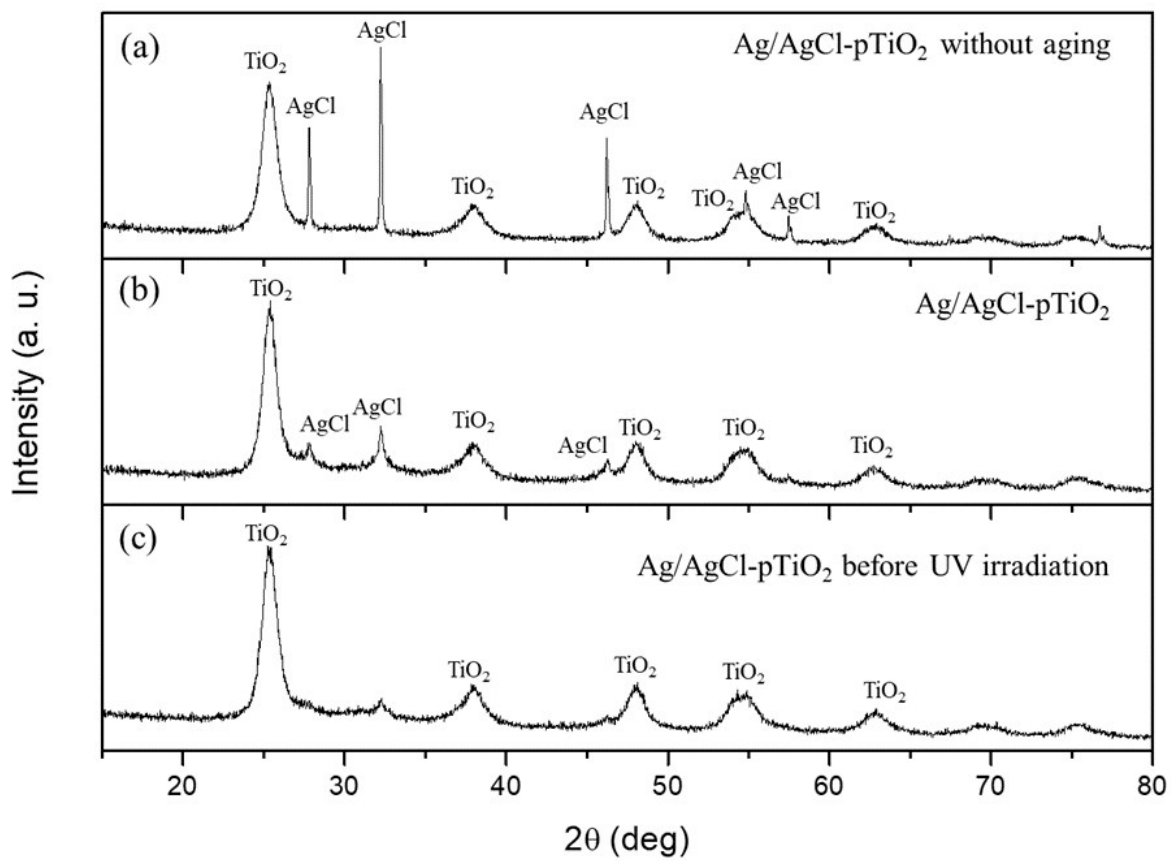


Fig. S1. XRD pattern of (a) Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> without aging (b) Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> (c) Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> before UV irradiation

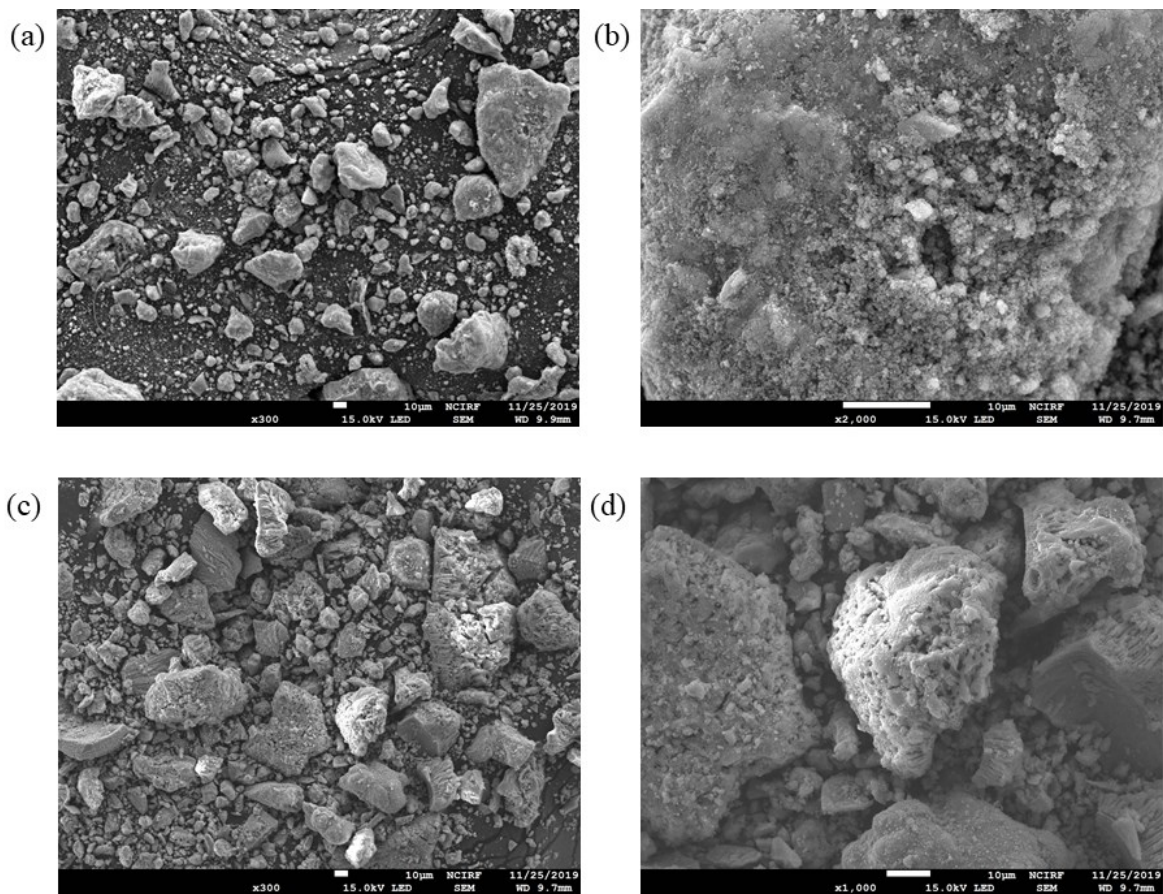


Fig. S2. SEM images of (a,b) Cl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> (c,d) Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>

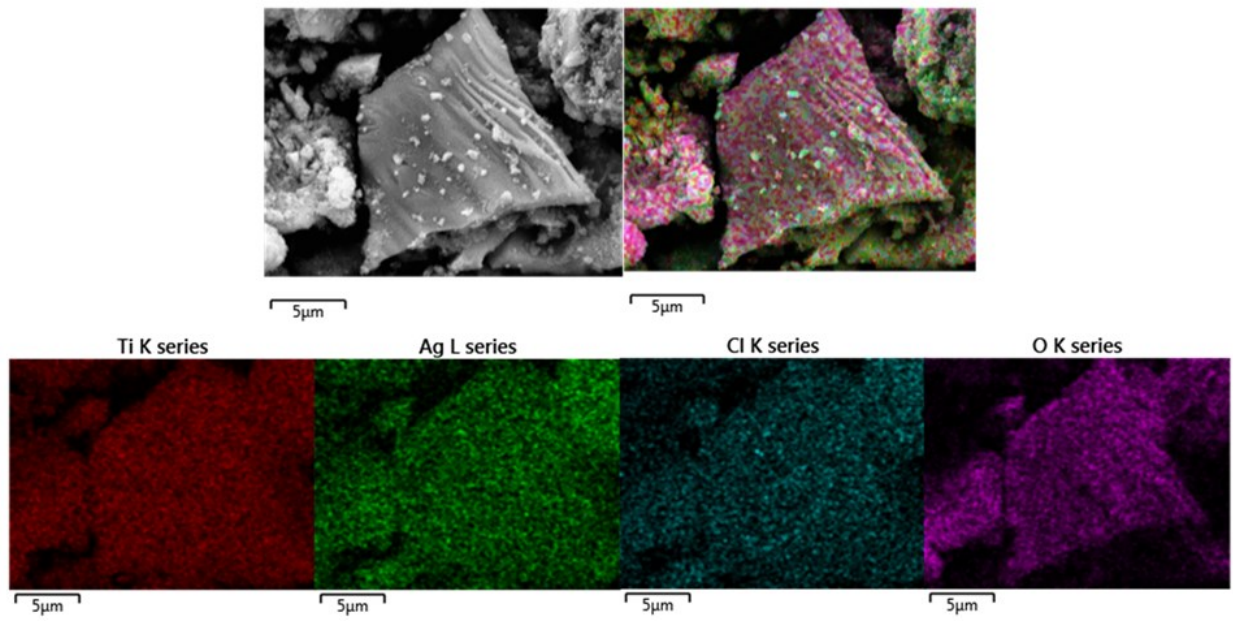
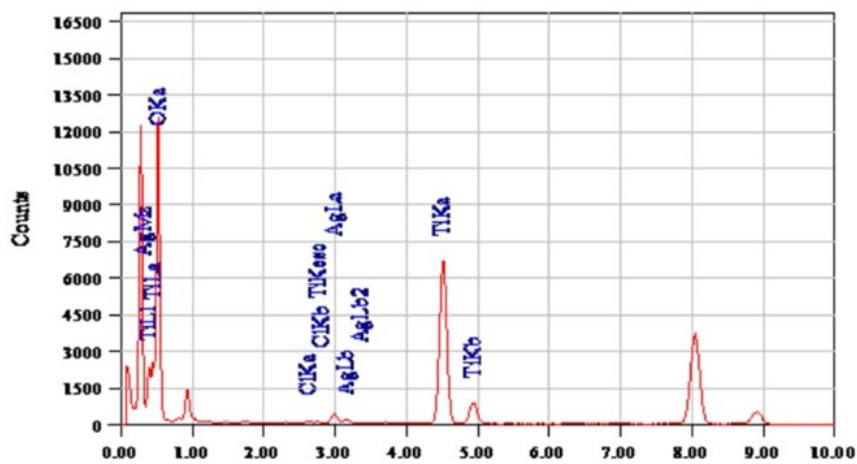
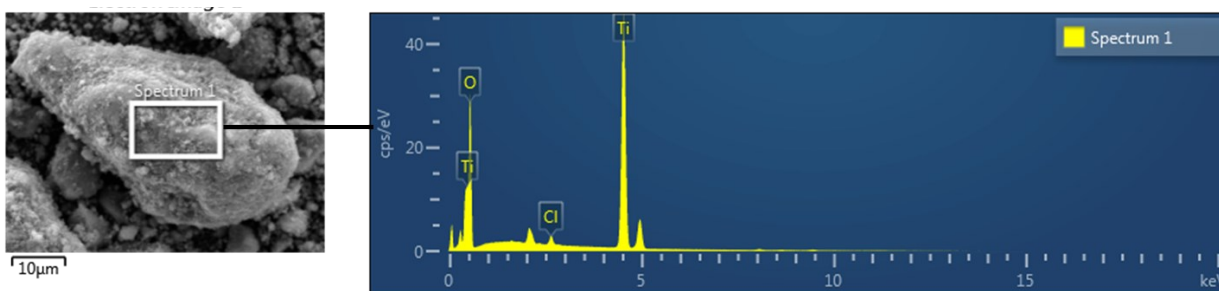


Fig. S3. SEM-EDS mapping images of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>



Element	Atom %
O	73.9
Cl	0.4
Ti	23.7
Ag	2.0
Total	100

Fig. S4. EDS analysis of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>



Element	Atomic %
O	73.84
Cl	0.50
Ti	25.65
Total:	100.00

Fig. S5. EDS analysis of Cl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>



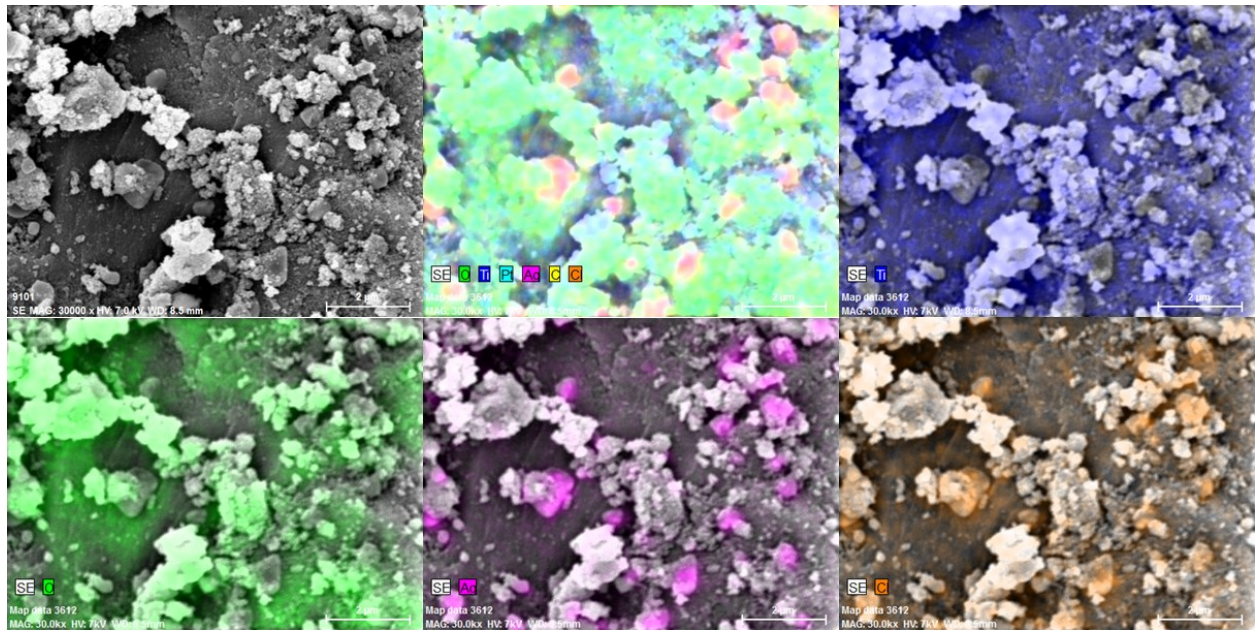


Fig. S6. SEM-EDS mapping images of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> without aging

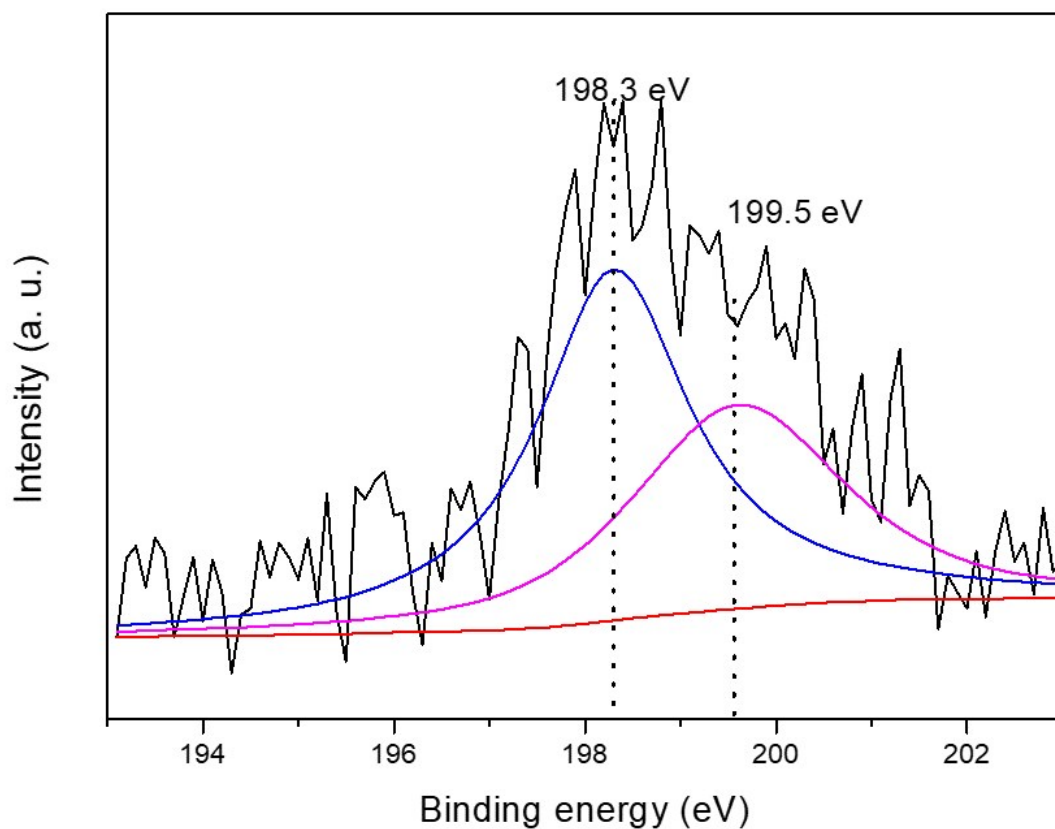


Fig. S7. Cl 2p XPS spectrum of the Cl-doped porous TiO<sub>2</sub>

Element	Chemical composition of Ag/AgCl-pTiO <sub>2</sub> (Atomic %)		
	Nominal	EDS	XPS
Ti	28.9	23.7	26.7
O	57.8	73.9	66.9
Ag	5	2	4.6
Cl	1.4	0.4	1.8

Table S1. Nominal and measured chemical composition of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>

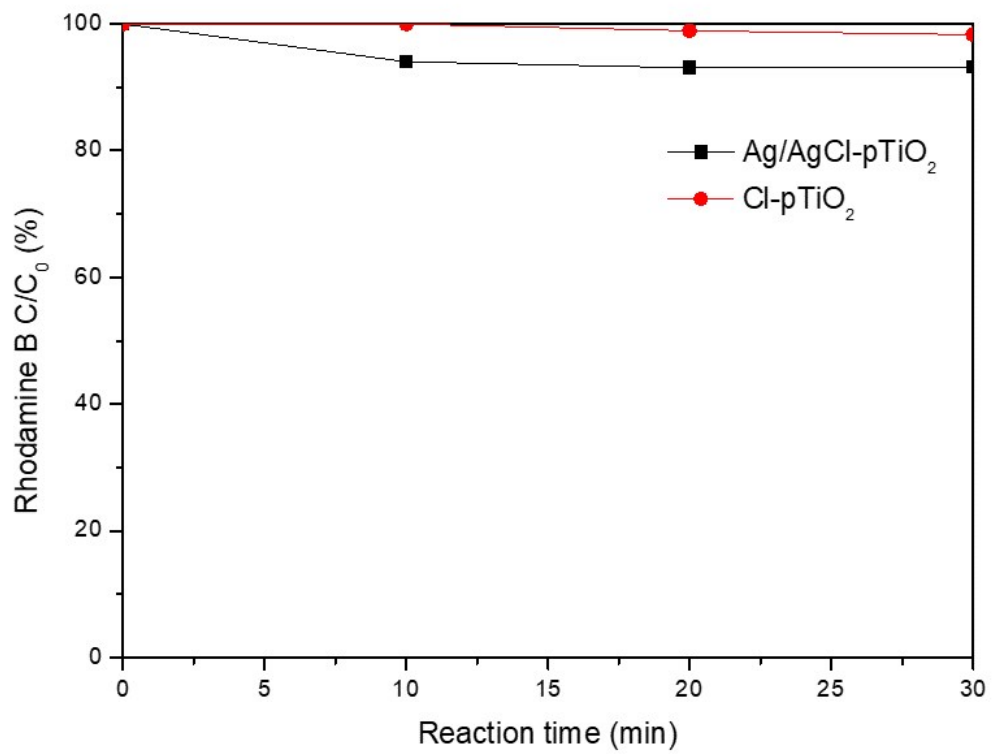


Fig. S8. Adsorption capability of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> vs Cl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> for rhodamine B



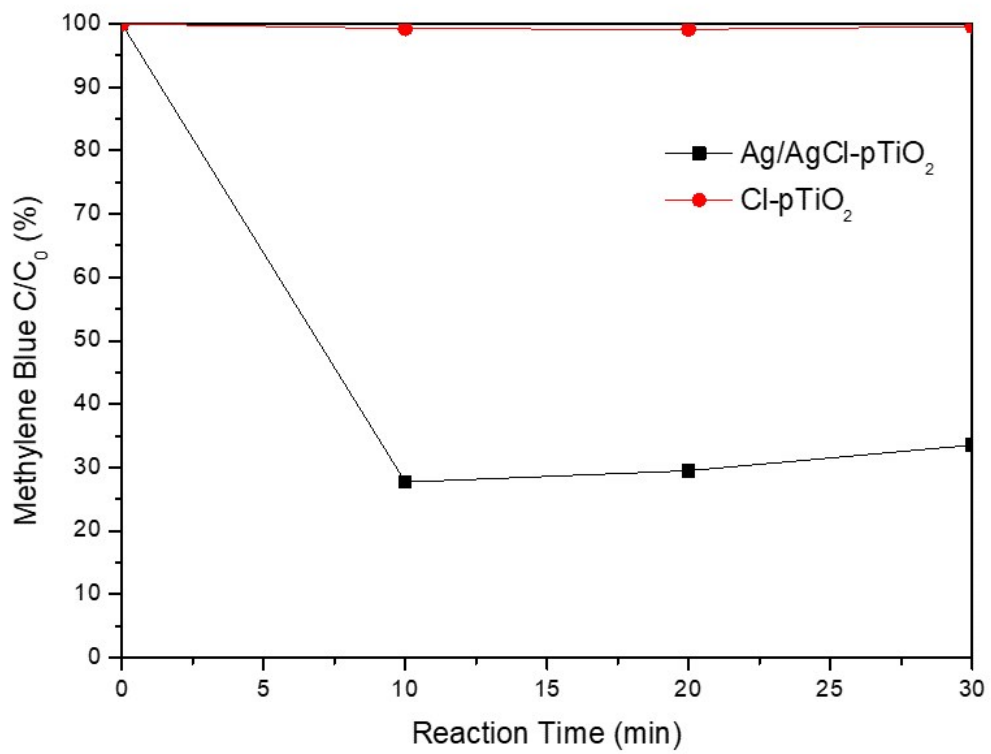


Fig. S9. Adsorption capability of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> vs Cl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> for methylene blue

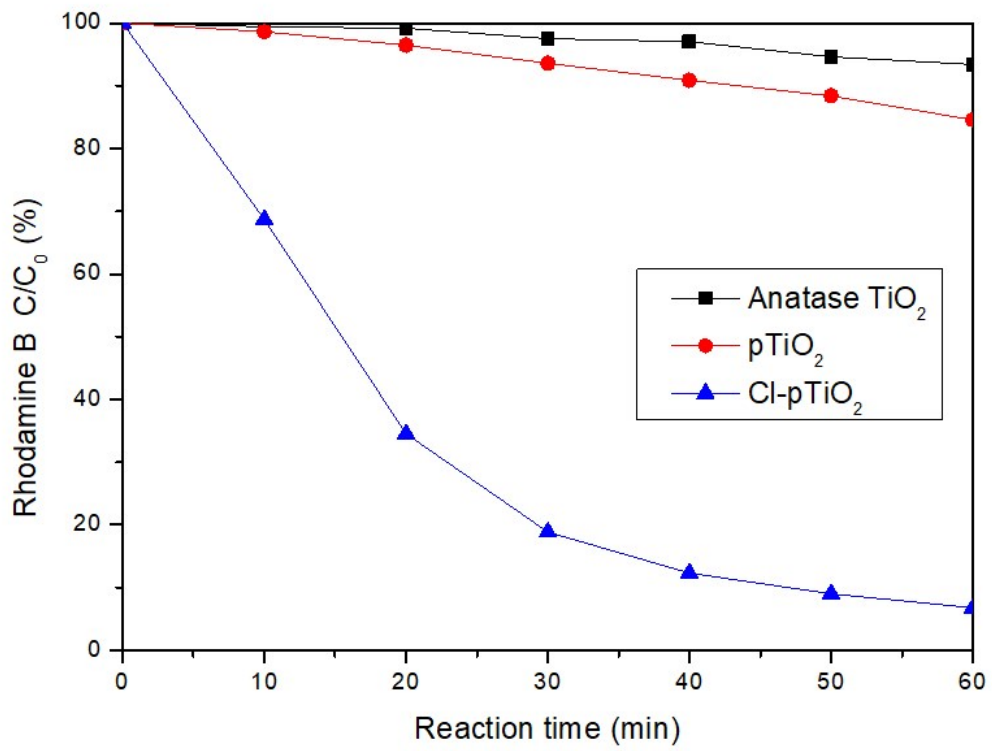


Fig. S10. Photocatalytic activity of commercial anatase TiO<sub>2</sub>, pTiO<sub>2</sub>, Cl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> for rhodamine B degradation

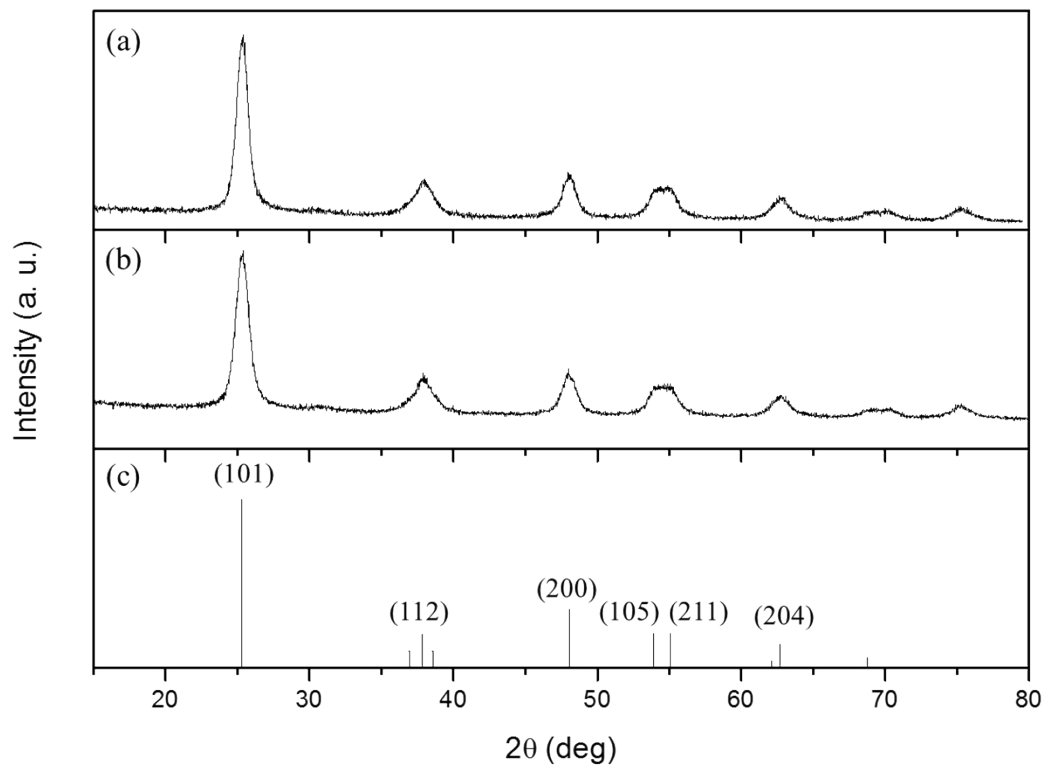


Fig. S11. XRD patterns of (a)  $pTiO_2$  (b)  $Cl-pTiO_2$  and (c) anatase  $TiO_2$  (JCPDS: 00-021-1272)

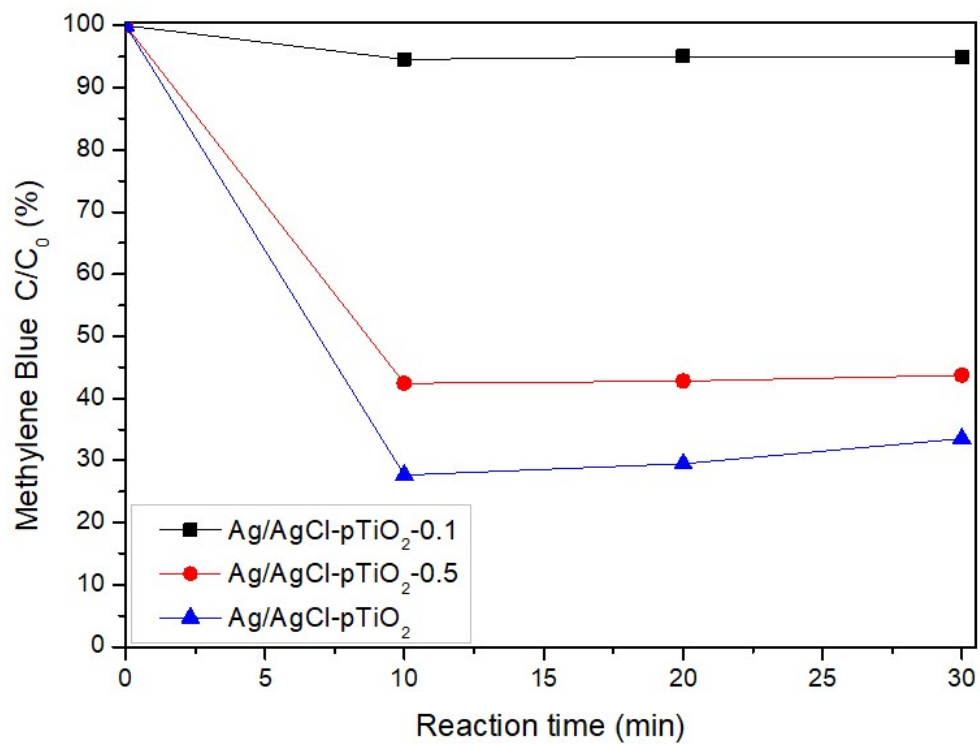


Fig. S12. Adsorption capabilities of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>-0.1, Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub>-0.5, Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> for methylene blue

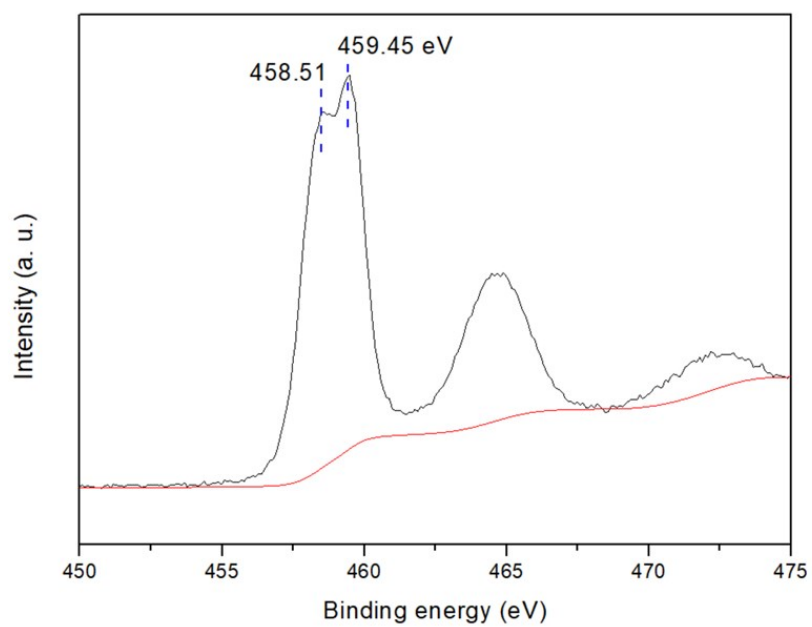


Fig. S13. XPS data Ti of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> after MB adsorption

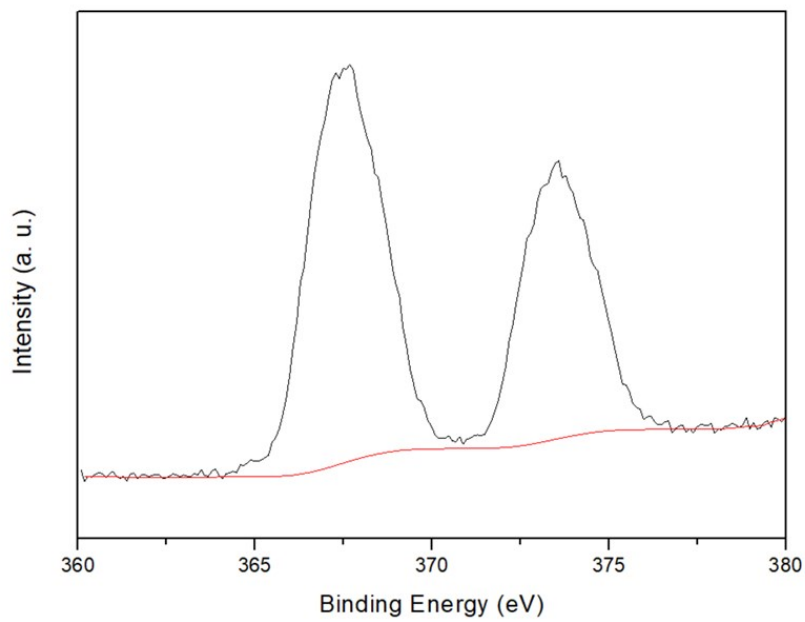


Fig. S14. XPS data Ag of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> after MB adsorption

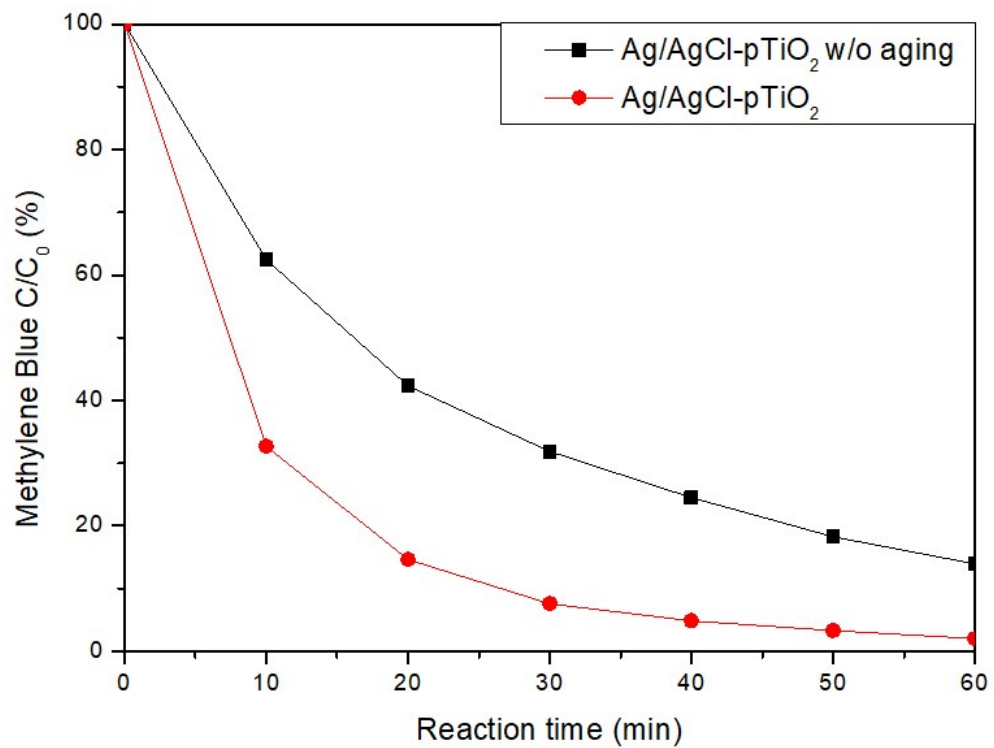


Fig. S15. Photocatalytic degradation efficiency of aged Ag/AgCl-TiO<sub>2</sub> and unaged Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> for methylene blue



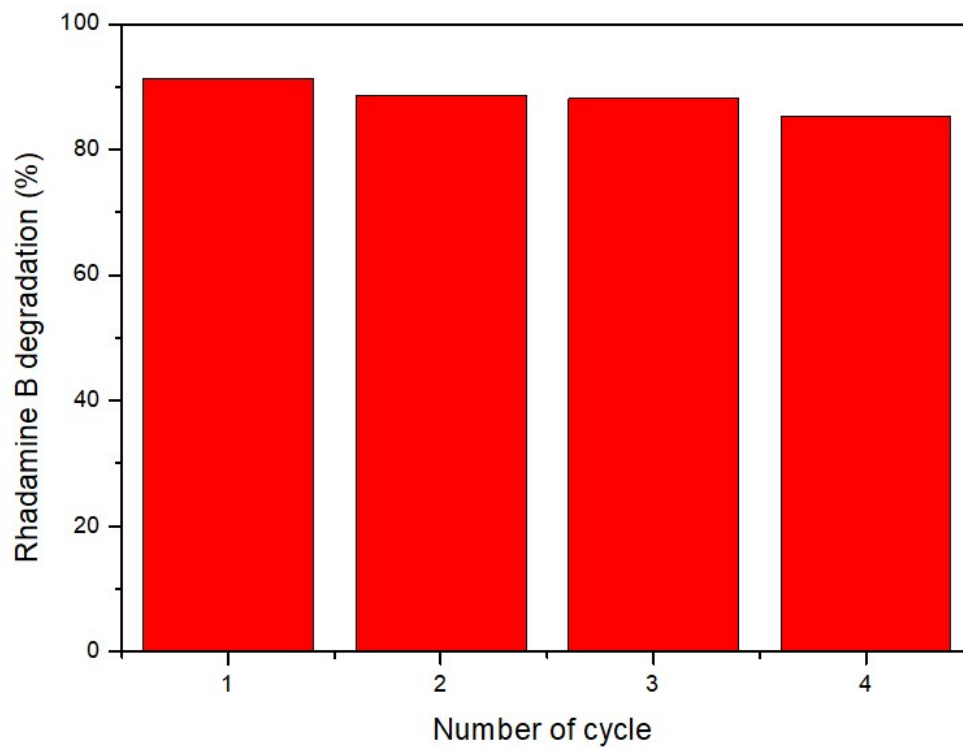


Fig. S16. Cycling photocatalytic performance for rhodamine B degradation of Ag/AgCl-pTiO<sub>2</sub> after light irradiation (405 nm) for 60 minutes.