

Supplementary Information

One-pot preparation of multicomponent photocatalyst with (Zn,Co,Ni)(O,S)/Ga₂O₃ nanocomposites to significantly enhance hydrogen production

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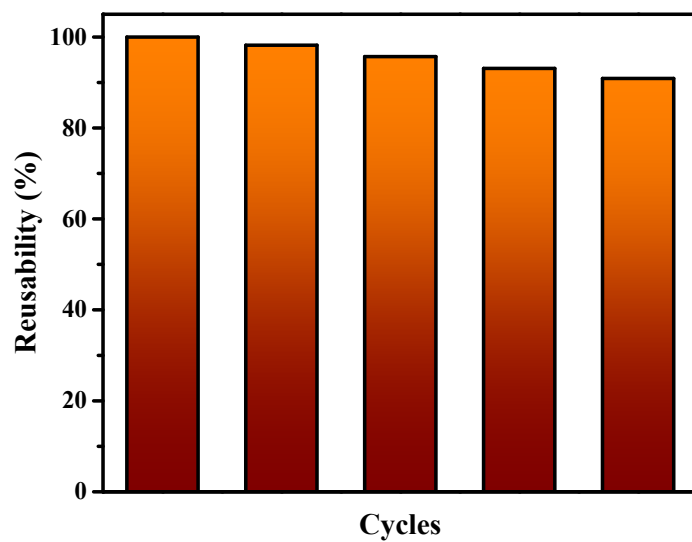


Fig. S1 Reusability performance of ZNC-10G nanocomposite for five-cycle photocatalytic HER

Table S1 EDS elemental analysis of ZNC-10G nanocomposite

Elements	Atomic percentages
Zn	39.97 %
Ni	0.86 %
Co	1.01 %
Ga	2.82 %
O	28.73 %
S	26.61 %

The energy of single photon (E_p) with wavelength of λ is calculated using the equation below:

$$E_p = h c / \lambda$$

where h is Planck's constant (6.6×10^{-34} J.s), c is the speed of light (3×10^8 m/s), and λ is the wavelength of the incident light.

The total energy of incident light (E_t) is calculated using the equation below:

$$E_t = P A t$$

where P is the power density of the incident light (W/m^2), A is the irradiation area (m^2), and t is the duration of the incident light irradiation (s).

The number of incident photons (N) is determined by the following equation:

$$N = E_t / E_p = P A t \lambda / h c$$

The apparent quantum yield (AQY) is calculated by using the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AQY} &= \frac{2 \times \text{number of evolved hydrogen molecules}}{\text{number of incident photons}} \times 100 \% \\ &= \frac{2 n N_A h c}{P A t \lambda} \times 100 \% \end{aligned}$$

where n is the amount of hydrogen evolved (mol), N_A is Avogadro's constant (6.02×10^{23} /mol).

Based on the formula, the calculated AQY was 10.4 %.