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A bifunctional lead-iron oxyfluoride, PbFeO₂F, that functions as a

visible-light-responsive photoanode and an electrocatalyst for

water oxidation

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Fig. S1. XRD patterns of the synthesized $PbFeO_2F$ and the reference. The pattern of the reference was drawn using a CIF file available from the literature.¹



Fig. S2. SEM images of the synthesized PbFeO₂F powder.



Fig. S3. EDS spectra for the Co-Pi/TiO₂/PbFeO₂F/FTO electrode. Spot 1 in the flat area shows a weak signal of Co at 6.9 keV. By contrast, spots 2, 3 and 4 in "islands" show an obvious contribution of P with an energy at \sim 2.0 keV as well as a stronger Co signal.



Fig. S4. Current-potential curves in aqueous 0.1 M K₃PO₄ solution (pH 12.4) for Co-Pi/TiO₂/PbFeO₂F/FTO electrodes. Scan rate: 100 mV s⁻¹. Co-Pi was loaded by applying +1.0 V *vs* Ag/AgCl for the TiO₂/PbFeO₂F/FTO electrodes in 0.1 M potassium phosphate buffered solution containing 0.5 mM cobalt nitrate (pH 7). The total charge that flowed was varied from 10 to 100 mC.



Fig. S5. Nyquist plots for the modified PbFeO₂F/FTO electrodes (3 cm²) at +1.0 V vs RHE in aqueous 0.1 M K₃PO₄ solution (pH 12.4) under visible-light irradiation. Light source: 300 W xenon lamp fitted with an L42 cutoff filter ($\lambda > 400$ nm). The amplitude of the modulation potential was 10 mV. The frequency of the modulation potential was lowered from 10 kHz to 1 Hz.



Fig. S6. Current–potential curves for the Co-Pi/TiO₂/PbFeO₂F/FTO and Co-Pi/TiO₂/FTO electrodes in aqueous 0.1 M K₃PO₄ solution (pH 12.4), as recorded at a sweep rate of 10 mV s⁻¹ under intermittent visible-light irradiation. Light source: 300 W xenon lamp fitted with a Y48 cutoff filter ($\lambda > 460$ nm, 0.26 W cm⁻²).



Fig. S7. Current–time curves in controlled-potential photoelectrolysis at +1.0 V vs RHE under visible-light irradiation. The experiments were conducted (A) in 0.1 M K₃PO₄ solution (pH 12.9) using the Co-Pi/TiO₂/PbFeO₂F/FTO electrode and (B) in 0.1 M KI solution (pH 6.3) using the TiO₂/PbFeO₂F/FTO electrode, respectively. Light source: 300 W xenon lamp fitted with an L42 cutoff filter ($\lambda > 400$ nm).

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