Electronic Supplementary Material (ESI) for Dalton Transactions. This journal is © The Royal Society of Chemistry 2022

1

Supplementary Materials

2

3 Characterization methodology

X-ray powder diffraction (XRD) was carried out on a D8 Advance X-ray powder 4 diffractometer. Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy analysis was carried out on a 5 FTIR-650 spectrometer. Ultraviolet-visible (UV-vis) diffuse reflectance spectroscopy (DRS) 6 measurement was done on a TU-1901 double beam spectrophotometer. X-ray photoelectron 7 spectroscopy (XPS) investigation was performed an AXIS Supra X-ray photoelectron 8 spectrometer. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) observation was performed on a JSM-6701F 9 field-emission scanning electron microscope. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) analysis 10 was performed on a JEM-F200 field-emission transmission electron microscope. Electron 11 paramagnetic resonance (EPR) signals were monitored on a Bruker microESR spectrometer. 12 13 Liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC-MS) analysis was performed on a thermos TSQ Quantum Ultra mass spectrometer and Agilent 1100 liquid chromatograph. 14

15 Photoelectrochemical measurement

16 The photocurrent response spectra and electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS) spectra of the samples were obtained using a CST 350 electrochemical workstation. A three-17 electrode cell configuration was used for the photoelectrochemical testing, where a platinum foil 18 electrode and a standard calomel electrode (SCE) were used as the counter electrode and 19 reference electrode, respectively. To prepare the working electrode, 15 mg of the photocatalyst, 20 0.75 mg of acetylene black and 0.75 mg of poly-vinylidene fluoride (PVDF) were uniformly 21 mixed using 1-methyl-2-pyrrolidione (NMP) as the solvent. The formed slurry mixture was 22 uniformly coated onto a fluorine-doped tin oxide (FTO) glass substrate with an effective area 1 × 23 1 cm², followed by 5 h of drying at 60 °C. 0.1 M Na₂SO₄ aqueous solution was used as the 24 electrolyte. A PLS-SXE300BF 300 W xenon lamp was employed as the light source to generate 25

simulated sunlight. The photocurrent response was measured at a bias potential of 0.2 V. EIS measurements were conducted by applying a sinusoidal voltage pulse with amplitude of 5 mV over a frequency range of 10^{-2} to 10^{5} Hz.

29 DFT calculation

The calculations of geometry configurations and the band structures were carried out by the 30 Vienna ab-inito simulation package (VASP), taking advantage of the density-functional theory 31 (DFT) in Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) generalized gradient approximation (GGA). SCF 32 convergence criteria was set to be 10^{-5} eV and the relaxation convergence criteria was set to be 33 0.03 eV $Å^{-1}$ in the calculation. An energy cutoff of 400 eV was used for the plane-wave 34 expansion of the electronic wave function. BOB (012) crystal plane was built from the optimized 35 BOB unit cell with lattice parameters of a = b = 3.93219 Å, c = 8.51622 Å, $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90.0000^{\circ}$ 36 and the corresponding $9 \times 3 \times 1$ k-point mesh was modeled in the calculations. AMO (220) 37 crystal plane was built from the optimized AMO nanosheet unit cell with lattice parameters of a = 38 b = c = 9.2588 Å, $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90.0000^{\circ}$ and the corresponding $5 \times 5 \times 1$ k-point mesh was 39 modeled in the calculations. 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50

51 Table S1. Comparison of the photocatalytic performance of 20%AMO/BOB with that of previously

reported AMO- or BOB-based composite photocatalysts towards the degradation of MB.
--

Samples	Light sources	$C_{\rm photocatalyst}$	MB	Irradiation	n	References
				time (min)	1	
20%Ag2MoO4/BiOBr	300-W Xe	0.5 g L ⁻¹	10 mg L ⁻¹	30	93.8%	This work
	lamp					
5%Ag2MoO4/Ag3PO4	350-W xenon	$0.5~\mathrm{g~L^{-1}}$	$10 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	15	94%	[1]
	lamp with a					
	420 nm					
	ultraviolet					
	filter					
$Ag_2MoO_4/AgBr$	410 nm LED	$1 \text{ g } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	$20 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	6	88%	[2]
	irradiation					
Bi_2MoO_6/Ag_2MoO_4	tungsten lamp	-	$10 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	140	91.8%	[3]
	of $25W/m^2$					
60%a-Ag ₂ MoO ₄ /WO ₃	300-W Xe	$0.5~\mathrm{g~L^{-1}}$	$0.5~\mathrm{g~L^{-1}}$	150	68%	[4]
	lamp ($\lambda > 420$					
	nm)					
$30wt\%Ag_2MoO_4/Bi_4Ti_3O_1$	simulated	$1 \text{ g } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	$5 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	15	98.3%	[5]
2	sunlight					
	emitted from					
	a 300-W					
	xenon lamp					
$40\% g\text{-}C_3N_4/Ag_2MoO_4$	410 nm LED	1 g L ⁻¹	$20 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	12	99.5%	[6]
	light (50 W)					
Ag/AgCl/Ag2MoO4	300-W Xe	0.6	MB (10 mg	90	98.3	[7]
	lamp with a		L^{-1})			
	cut-off filter					
	$(\lambda > 420 \text{ nm})$					
BiOBr-M	300-W Xe	$0.5 {\rm ~g~L^{-1}}$	4×10^{-5} mol	36	92%	[8]
	lamp		L^{-1}			
BiOBr lamellas	350-W Xe	$0.4 {\rm ~g~L^{-1}}$	$5 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	450	50%	[9]
	lamp with a					
	420 nm					
	ultraviolet					
	filter					
40%BiOCl/BiOBr	visible LED	$0.6 \text{ g } \text{L}^{-1}$	$10 \text{ mg } \text{L}^{-1}$	360	93%	[10]
	light					
	irradiation					
Bi ₄ O ₅ Br ₂ /BiOBr	blue light	1.58 g L^{-1}	$80 \text{ mg } \text{L}^{-1}$	100	36%	[11]
	(405 nm, 20					
	W)					
$BiOBr/Ag_2CrO_4$ (2:1)	500 W xenon	0.5 g L^{-1}	$10 \text{ mg } \text{L}^{-1}$	20	98.3%	[12]

	lamp					
	equipped with					
	a 420 nm					
	filter					
3%p-C ₃ N ₄ /f-BiOBr	250-W Xe	$1 \mathrm{g} \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	$25 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	100	94.3%	[13]
	lamp with a					
	400 nm cut-					
	off filter					
Ag ₃ PO ₄ /RGO/BiOBr	high pressure	$0.5 {\rm ~g~L^{-1}}$	$20 \text{ mg } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	60	96.5%	[14]
	mercury lamp					
	with a 420nm					
	cutoff filter					
20%CuBi ₂ O ₄ /Bi/BiOBr	500 W Xenon	$1 \text{ g } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	$20\ mg\ L^{-1}$	120	73%	[15]
	lamp with a					
	UV-cutoff					
	filter ($\lambda > 420$					
	nm)					
$BiOBr/Ag_6Si_2O_7$ (5:1)	300 xenon	$1 \text{ g } \mathrm{L}^{-1}$	20 ppm	15	98%	[16]
	lamp and a					
	400 nm cutoff					
	filter					

53 References

- 54 1. Cao, W.; An, Y.; Chen, L.; Qi, Z. Visible-light-driven Ag₂MoO₄/Ag₃PO₄ composites with
- 55 enhanced photocatalytic activity. J. Alloy. Compd. 2017, 701, 350-357.
- 56 2. Wang, Z.; Zhang, J.; Lv, J.; Dai, K.; Liang, C. Plasmonic Ag₂MoO₄/AgBr/Ag composite:
- 57 excellent photocatalytic performance and possible photocatalytic mechanism. Appl. Surf. Sci.
- 58 **2017**, *396*, 791–798.
- 59 3. Balasurya, S.; Das, A.; Alyousef, A.A.; Alqasim, A.; Almutairi, N.; Khan, S.S. Facile synthesis
- 60 of Bi₂MoO₆-Ag₂MoO₄ nanocomposite for the enhanced visible light photocatalytic removal of
- 61 methylene blue and its antimicrobial application. J. Mol. Liq. 2021, 337, 116350.
- 62 4. Guo, R.; Han, G.; Yan, A.; He, Y.; Su, N.; Liu, X.; Yi, T. Epitaxial growth of metastable phase
- 63 α-Ag₂MoO₄ on WO₃ surface: Visible light-driven photocatalysis, sterilization, and reaction
- 64 mechanism. J. Alloy. Compd. 2020, 814, 152255.
- 65 5. Cheng, T.T.; Gao, H.J.; Sun, X.F.; Xian, T.; Wang, S.F.; Yi, Z.; Liu, G.R.; Wang, X.X.; Yang,

- 66 H. An excellent Z-scheme Ag₂MoO₄/Bi₄Ti₃O₁₂ heterojunction photocatalyst: construction
- 67 strategy and application in environmental purification. Adv. Powder Technol. 2021, 32, 951–962.
- 68 6. Huo, Y.; Wang, Z.; Zhang, J.; Liang, C.; Dai, K. Ag SPR-promoted 2D porous g-
- 69 C_3N_4/Ag_2MoO_4 composites for enhanced photocatalytic performance towards methylene blue
- 70 degradation. Appl. Surf. Sci. 2018, 459, 271–280.
- 71 7. Jiao, Z.; Zhang, J.; Liu, Z.; Ma, Z. Ag/AgCl/Ag₂MoO₄ composites for visible-light-driven
 72 photocatalysis. *J. Photochem. Photobio. A* 2019, *371*, 67–75.
- 73 8. Wang, X.; Zhang, Y.; Xu, H.; Ji, X.; Gan, L.; Zhang, R. Sugar-regulated bismuth oxybromide
- flowers with active imprinting sites for efficient photooxidative ability. J. Alloy. Compd. 2021,
 879, 160374.
- 76 9. Li, H.; Liu, J.; Liang, X.; Hou, W.; Tao, X. Enhanced visible light photocatalytic activity of
- bismuth oxybromide lamellas with decreasing lamella thicknesses. *J. Mater. Chem. A* 2014, *2*,
 8926.
- 79 10. Zhang, J.; Lv, J.; Dai, K.; Liang, C.; Liu, Q. One-step growth of nanosheet-assembled
- BiOCl/BiOBr microspheres for highly efficient visible photocatalytic performance. *Appl. Surf. Sci.* **2018**, *430*, 639–646.
- 82 11. Budnyak, T.M.; Onwumere, J.; Pylypchuk, I.V.; Jaworski, A.; Chen, J.; Rokicinska, A.;
- 83 Lindstrom, M.E.; Kustrowskic, P.; Sevastyanova, O.; Slabon, A. LignoPhot: Conversion of
- 84 hydrolysis lignin into the photoactive hybrid lignin/Bi₄O₅Br₂/BiOBr composite for simultaneous
- 85 dyes oxidation and Co^{2+} and Ni^{2+} recycling. *Chemosphere* **2021**, *279*, 130538.
- 86 12. Liu, X.; Wang, Y.; Kang, Y. In situ synthesis of novel high-efficiency visible-light-driven p-n
- 87 heterojunction BiOBr/Ag₂CrO₄ photocatalysts. *Mater. Lett.* **2022**, *313*, 131714.
- 88 13. Ma, Z.; Deng, L.; Fan, G.; He, Y. Hydrothermal synthesis of p-C₃N₄/f-BiOBr composites with
- 89 highly efficient degradation of methylene blue and tetracycline. Spectrochim. Acta A 2019, 214,
- 90 103-110.

- 91 14. Zhang, R.; Han, Q.; Li, Y.; Cai, Y.; Zhang, T.; Liu, Y.; Zhu, X. Fabrication of a
- 92 Ag₃PO₄/Reduced graphene oxide/BiOBr ternary photocatalyst for enhanced visible-light
- 93 photocatalytic activity and stability. J. Alloy. Compd. 2019, 810, 151868.
- 94 15. Fu, S.; Zhu, H.; Huang, Q.; Liu, X.; Zhang, X.; Zhou, J. Construction of hierarchical
- 95 CuBi₂O₄/Bi/BiOBr ternary heterojunction with Z-scheme mechanism for enhanced broad-
- 96 spectrum photocatalytic activity. J. Alloy. Compd. 2021, 878, 160372.
- 97 [16] Jia, K.L.; Zhu, Z.S.; Qu, J.; Jing, Y.Q.; Yu, X.J.; Abdelkrim, Y.; Hao, S.M.; Yu, Z.Z.
- 98 BiOBr/Ag₆Si₂O₇ heterojunctions for enhancing visible light catalytic degradation performances
- 99 with a sequential selectivity enabled by dual synergistic effects. J. Colloid Interf. Sci. 2020, 561,
- 100 396-407.



117 Fig. S1. Photocurrent response spectra (a) and EIS spectra (b) of AMO, BOB and 20%AMO/BOB.



- ---







160 Fig. S3. UV-vis absorption spectra of various organic pollutants photodegraded by 20%AMO/BOB

161
$$(C_{photocatalyst} = 0.5 \text{ g } \text{L}^{-1}, C_{pollutant} = 10 \text{ mg } \text{L}^{-1})$$