

Supplementary Information

Construction of a Double Heterojunction between Graphite Carbon Nitride and Anatase TiO₂ with Co-exposed (101) and (001) Faces for Enhanced Photocatalytic Degradation

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1. Preparation of g-C₃N₄/P25

1.15 g of g-C₃N₄ powder and 0.575 g P25 were added in a porcelain crucible containing 30 mL of ethyl alcohol and stirred until completely dry in the water bath at 80°C. And then move the crucible to a muffle furnace. At the heating rate of 3°C/min, the temperature was raised to 300°C and kept for 2 h. Finally, the g-C₃N₄/P25 powder was obtained.

2. The forbidden band width of synthesized photocatalysts were calculated by Tauc equation (1):

$$\alpha hv = A(hv - E_g)^n \quad (1)$$

Where α , hv , E_g , and A represent the absorption coefficient, incident photo energy, band gap energy, and absorption constant, respectively. Here, $n = 2$ due to anatase TiO₂ are indirect semiconductor materials.

3. The percentage of {001} and {101} facets can be calculated by equation (2-4):

$$S_{001} = 2a^2 \quad (2)$$

$$S_{001}\% = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{-2} - 1} \quad (3)$$

$$S_{101}\% = 1 - S_{001}\% \quad (4)$$

Here θ is the theoretical value (68.3°) for the angle between the {001} and {101} facets of anatase. As indicated in the slab model, two independent parameters b and a denote lengths of the side of the bipyramid and the side of the square {001} ‘truncation’ facets, respectively.

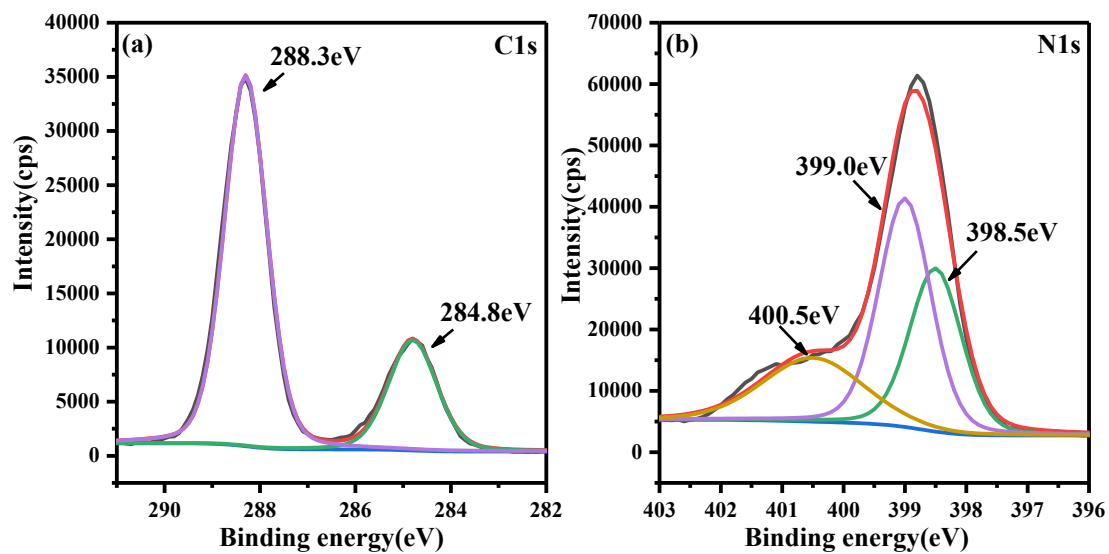


Figure S1. XPS spectra of pure $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$: C 1s spectra (a) and N 1s spectra (b).

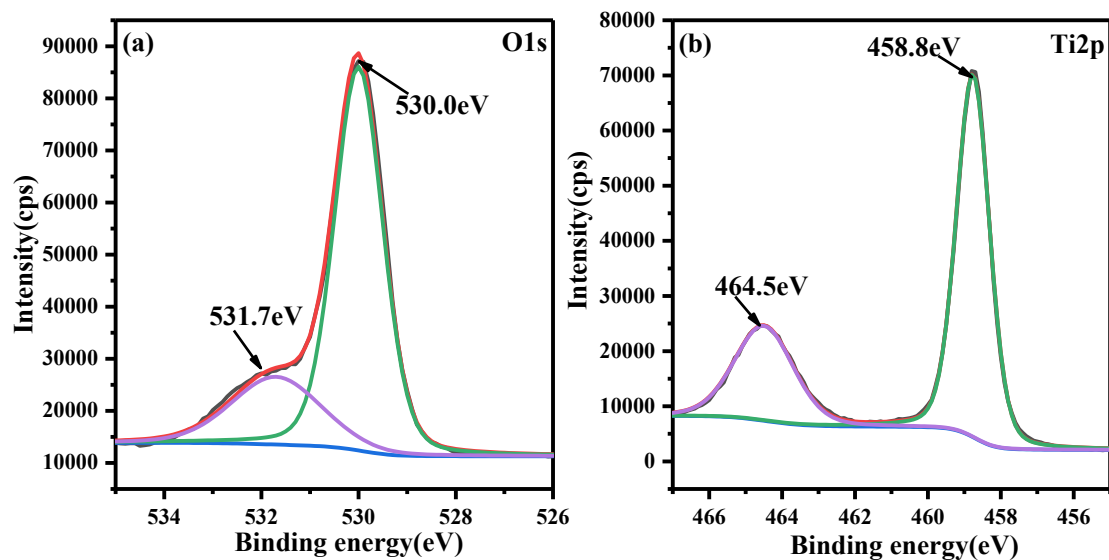


Figure S2. XPS spectra of pure (101)-(001)- TiO_2 : O 1s spectra (a) and Ti 2p spectra (b).

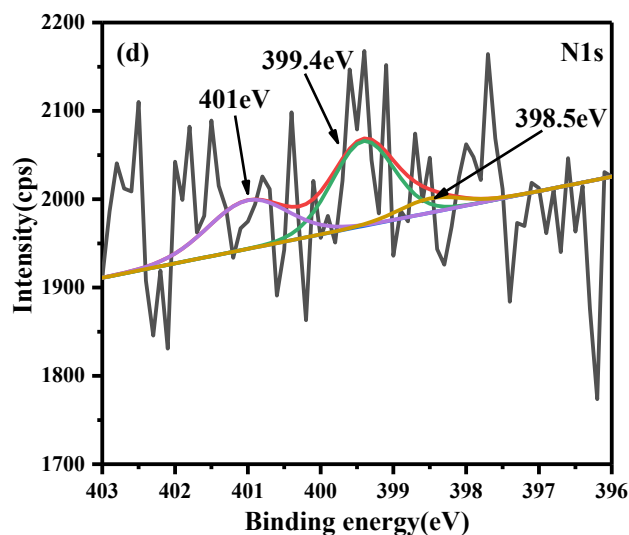


Figure S3. N 1s spectra of g-C₃N₄/(101)-(001)-TiO₂

Table S1. g-C₃N₄; g-C₃N₄/(101)-(001)-TiO₂ samples for details of C 1s peak fitting.

Sample	C 1s, g-C ₃ N ₄		C 1s, g-C ₃ N ₄ /(101)-(001)-TiO ₂			
Boundary:	High BE=291.0 eV;		High BE=290.2 eV;			
Fitting	Low BE=280.6 eV; Slope=0;		Low BE=282 eV; Slope=0;			
conditions	$\sum x^2 = 18.89$		$\sum x^2 = 2.19$			
B.E. (eV)	284.8 eV	/	288.3 eV	284.7 eV	286.2 eV	288.6 eV
	C-C/C=C		N-C=N	C-C/C=C	C-OH	N-C=N

Table S2. g-C₃N₄;g-C₃N₄/(101)-(001)-TiO₂ samples for details of N 1s peak fitting.

Sample	N 1s, g-C ₃ N ₄			N1s, g-C ₃ N ₄ /(101)-(001)-TiO ₂		
Boundary:	High BE=403 eV;			High BE=403 eV;		
Fitting	Low BE=394 eV; Slope=0;			Low BE=394 eV; Slope=0;		
conditions	$\sum x^2 = 9.12$			$\sum x^2 = 2.34$		
B.E. (eV)	398.5 eV	399.0 eV	400.5 eV	398.5 eV	399.4 eV	401.0 eV
	C-N=C	N-C ₃	NH _x	C-N=C	N-C ₃	NH _x

Table S3. (101)-(001)-TiO₂; g-C₃N₄/(101)-(001)-TiO₂ samples for details of O 1s peak fitting.

Sample	O1s, (101)-(001)-TiO ₂		O1s, g-C ₃ N ₄ /(101)-(001)-TiO ₂	
Fitting conditions	Boundary: High BE=535 eV; Low BE=525.6 eV; Slope=0; $\sum x^2 = 10.14$		Boundary: High BE=535 eV; Low BE=525.7 eV; Slope=0; $\sum x^2 = 7.48$	
B.E. (eV)	530.0 eV (N) ₂ C-OH	531.7 eV H ₂ O	529.9 eV (N) ₂ C-OH	531.7 eV H ₂ O

Table S4. (101)-(001)-TiO₂; g-C₃N₄/(101)-(001)-TiO₂ samples for details of Ti 2p peak fitting.

Sample	Ti 2p, g-C ₃ N ₄		Ti 2p, g-C ₃ N ₄ /(101)-(001)-TiO ₂	
Fitting conditions	Boundary: High BE=467 eV; Low BE=455 eV; Slope=0; $\sum x^2 = 8.20$		Boundary: High BE=467 eV; Low BE=455 eV; Slope=2; $\sum x^2 = 11.9$	
B.E. (eV)	458.8 eV Ti 2p _{3/2}	464.5 eV Ti 2p _{1/2}	458.7 eV Ti 2p _{3/2}	464.4 eV Ti 2p _{1/2}

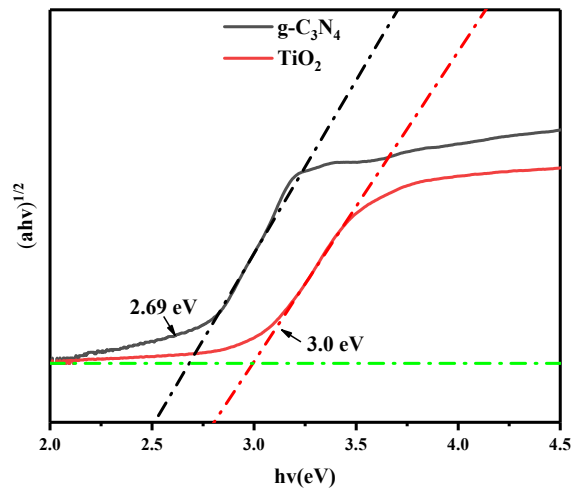


Figure S4. Band gap width diagram of g-C₃N₄ and (101)-(001)-TiO₂

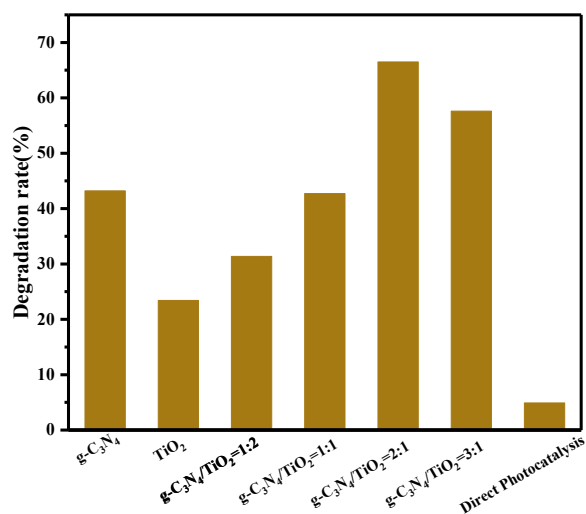


Figure S5. Paracetamol degradation rates of the as-prepared samples.

Table S5. Kinetic analysis of degradation of Paracetamol by the as-prepared samples.

Sample	The pseudo-first-order reaction kinetics	k (h ⁻¹)	R ²
g-C ₃ N ₄	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.09272 - 0.08761x$	0.1031	0.9191
TiO ₂	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.02386 - 0.04614x$	0.0422	0.9808
g-C ₃ N ₄ /TiO ₂ =1: 2	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.02888 - 0.06592x$	0.0611	0.9797
g-C ₃ N ₄ /TiO ₂ =1: 1	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.00935 - 0.09405x$	0.0923	0.9986
g-C ₃ N ₄ /TiO ₂ =2: 1	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.00416 - 0.17534x$	0.1746	0.9904
g-C ₃ N ₄ /TiO ₂ =3: 1	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.01803 - 0.14096x$	0.1379	0.9902
Direct photocatalysis	$\ln (C_t/C_0) = -0.0069 - 0.00861x$	0.0098	0.8968

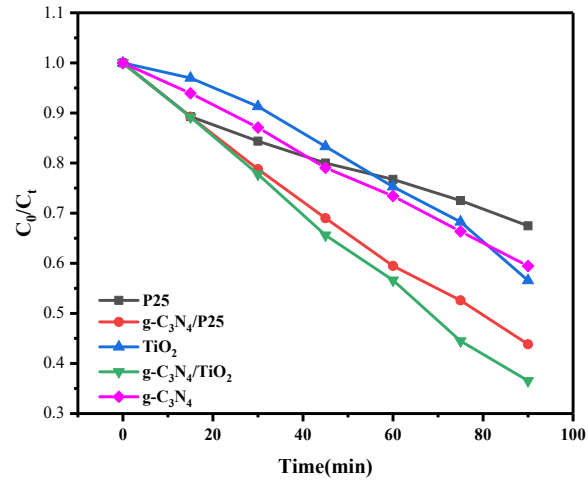


Figure S6. Photocatalytic degradation of MB by different photocatalysts under the irradiation of 300 W Xenon lamp ($\lambda > 420$ nm).

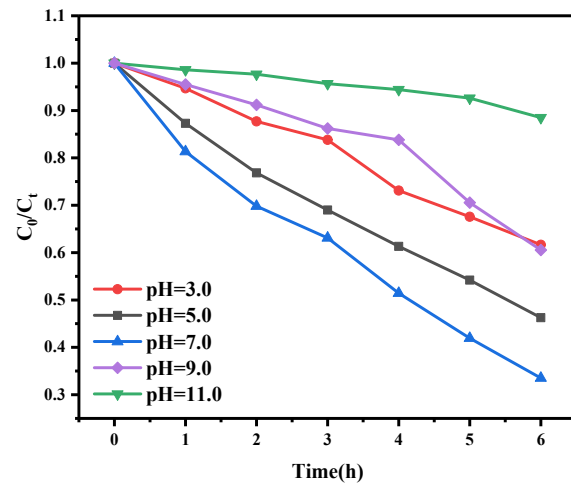


Figure S7. Effect of pH on photocatalytic activity of reaction system.

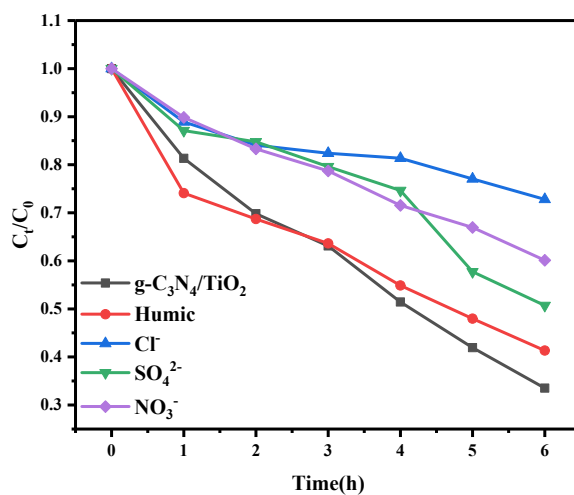


Figure S8. Effect of interfering ions on photocatalytic activity of reaction system.

Figure S9. ESR spectra of radical adducts ($\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ (a) and $\cdot\text{OH}$ (a))trapped by DMPO in g-C₃N₄ and (101)-(001)-TiO₂ dispersion as a function of time under dark and visible light (in methanol dispersion for DMPO- $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ and in aqueous for DMPO- $\cdot\text{OH}$).