

Supporting Information

**Facile synthesis of  $\text{ZnIn}_2\text{S}_4@\text{ZnS}$  composites for efficient photocatalytic hydrogen precipitation**

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<b>Solid solution</b>	<b>Bandgap(eV)</b>
ZnS	3.30
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	2.32
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.1	2.67
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.2	2.79
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.3	2.83
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.4	2.80

**Table S1** Forbidden bandwidths of ZnS, ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>, and ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>@ZnS composites

**Table S2** The specific surface area of ZnS, ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>, and ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>@ZnS-0.3 composites

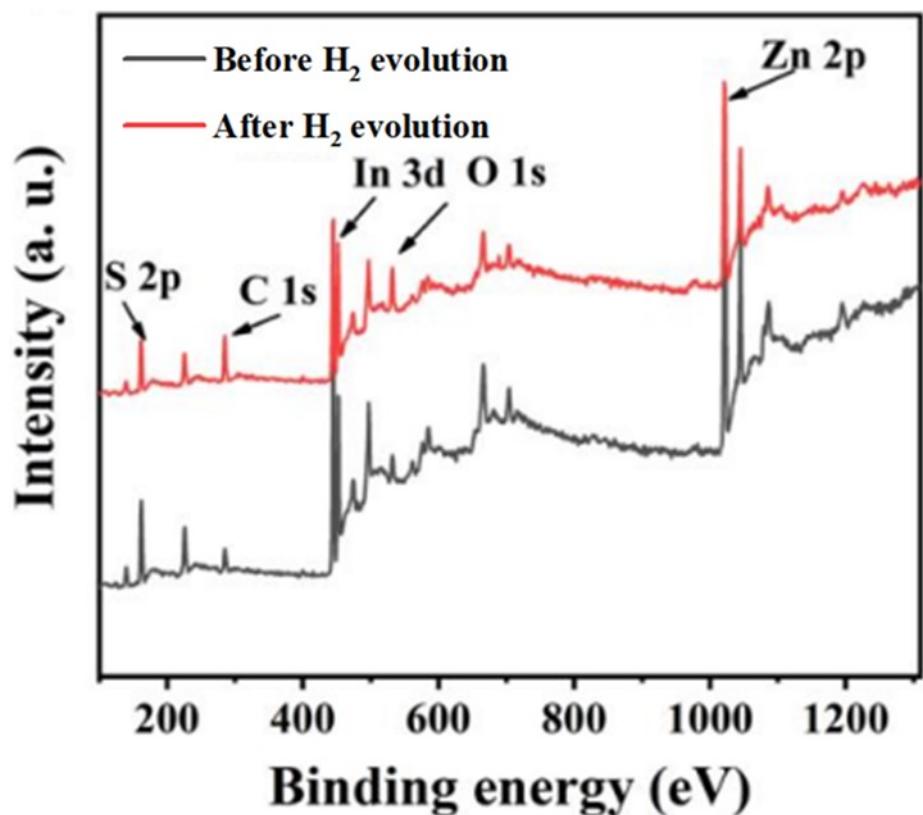
Sample	S <sub>BET</sub> (cm <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )
ZnS	42.4
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	63.7
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.3	122.3

<b>Sample</b>	<b>A<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>τ<sub>1/ns</sub></b>	<b>A<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>τ<sub>2/ns</sub></b>	<b>τ<sub>A/ns</sub></b>
ZnS	3669.462836	4.997448382	1.504421593	46.18591969	5.152923741
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	1.094521681	46.3660603	3647.438595	5.164508648	5.275209942
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.1	1.061505896	50.37345998	3315.746995	6.050665775	6.168483548
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.2	3002.544533	6.795660056	1.029964753	73.71889169	7.043769831
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.3	2885.268962	7.339865278	1.63060833	80.36808148	7.788993527
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> @ZnS-0.4	3175.184648	7.019308123	1.751626806	70.19563146	7.365927938

**Table S3** Fitting results for carrier lifetimes of ZnS, ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>, and ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>@ZnS composites

**Table S4** Comparison of the photocatalytic hydrogen production rates reported in the literature with those of the prepared ZnIn<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>/ZnS

Photocatalysts	The quality of sample	Sacrificial agent	Light source (Xe lamp)	Activity (mmol g <sup>-1</sup> h <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref.
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> /ZnS	100 mg	Na <sub>2</sub> S/ Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	300W (λ≥420nm)	2.873	This work
Ag <sub>2</sub> S/ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> /ZnS	100 mg	Na <sub>2</sub> S/ Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	300W (λ≥420nm)	0.703	1
ZIF-derived ZnS/ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	50 mg	TEOA	300W (AM 1.5 G)	0.453	2
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> /ZnS	20 mg	Na <sub>2</sub> S/ Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	300W	8.502	3
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> /CNTs/ZnS	50 mg	10 vol% Methanol	300W (λ≥420nm)	0.936	4
ZnIn <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> /ZnS	100 mg	Na <sub>2</sub> S/ Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	300W (λ≥420nm)	2.633	5
ZnO/ZnS	10 mg	Na <sub>2</sub> S/ Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	300W (AM 1.5 G)	2.461	6
ZnO/ZnS	50 mg	Na <sub>2</sub> S/ Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	300W (AM 1.5 G)	0.500	7



**Fig. S1** XPS images of  $\text{ZnIn}_2\text{S}_4@\text{ZnS-0.3}$  before and after the hydrogen production cycle test

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