

## Supplementary information

# **g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>@TiO<sub>2</sub> photoanodes for high-efficiency QDSSCs: improved electron transfer and photochemical stability**

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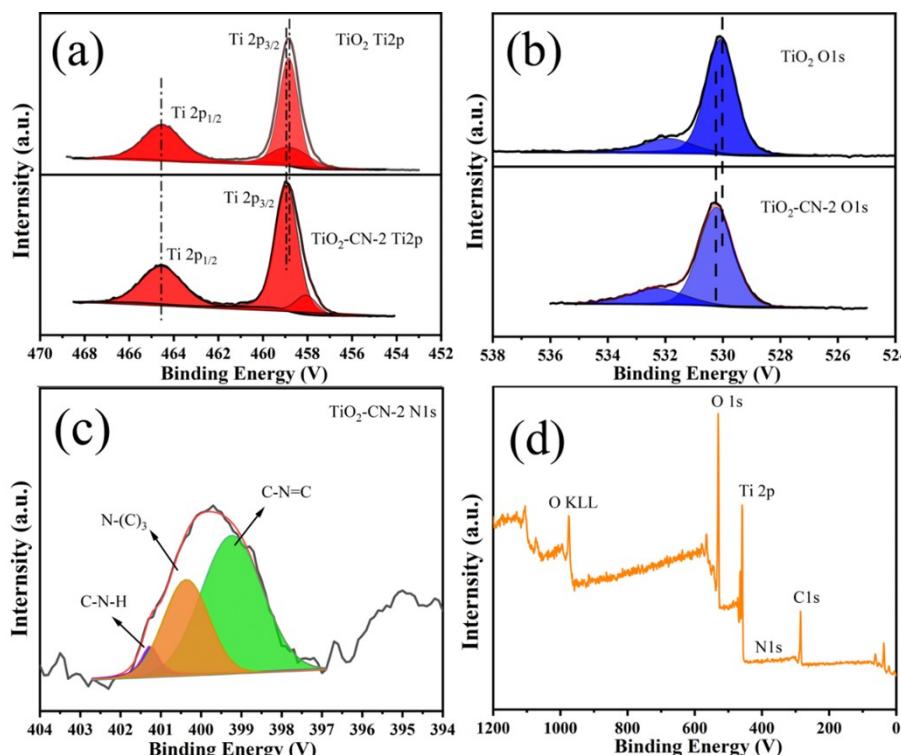
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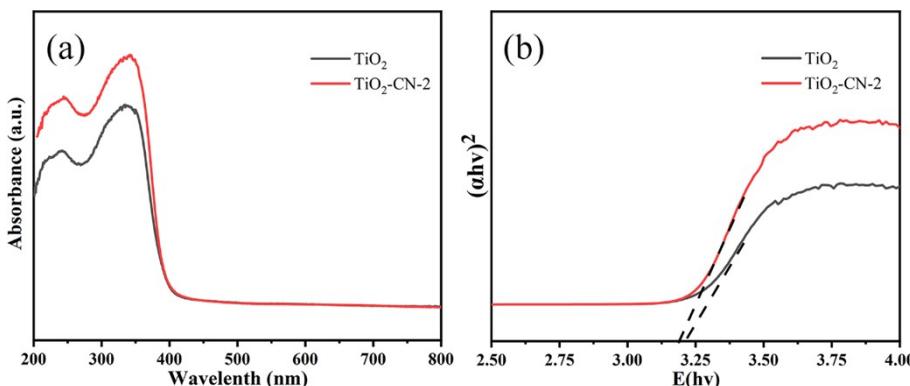
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**Table S1.** Comparisons of present photovoltaic values in this study with other reports of similar Photoanode

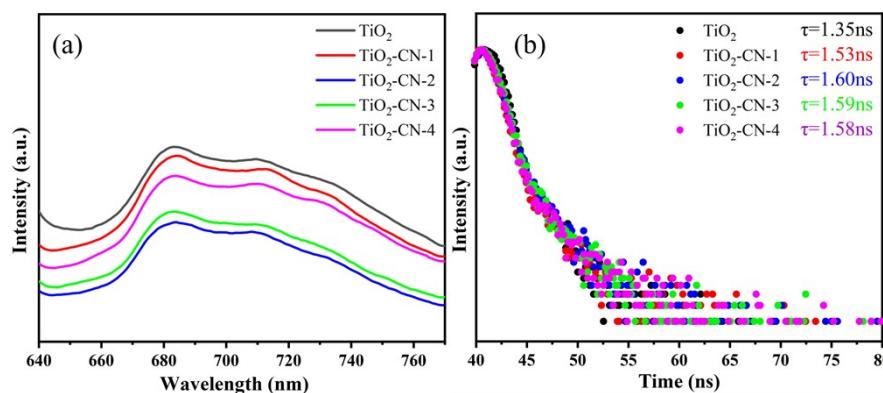
Photoanode	PCE %	J <sub>SC</sub> (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> )	V <sub>OC</sub> (V)	FF	Year	Ref
TiO <sub>2</sub> film	6.1	14.8	0.628	0.54	2023	1
TiO <sub>2</sub> nanoparticle/nanorod	4.42	15.48	0.623	0.46	2017	2
TiO <sub>2</sub> film	6.7	22.93	0.559	0.52	2021	3
TiO <sub>2</sub> @MWCNT	6.3	18.00	0.63	0.56	2024	4
TiO <sub>2</sub> film	5.7	18.31	0.576	0.54	2023	5



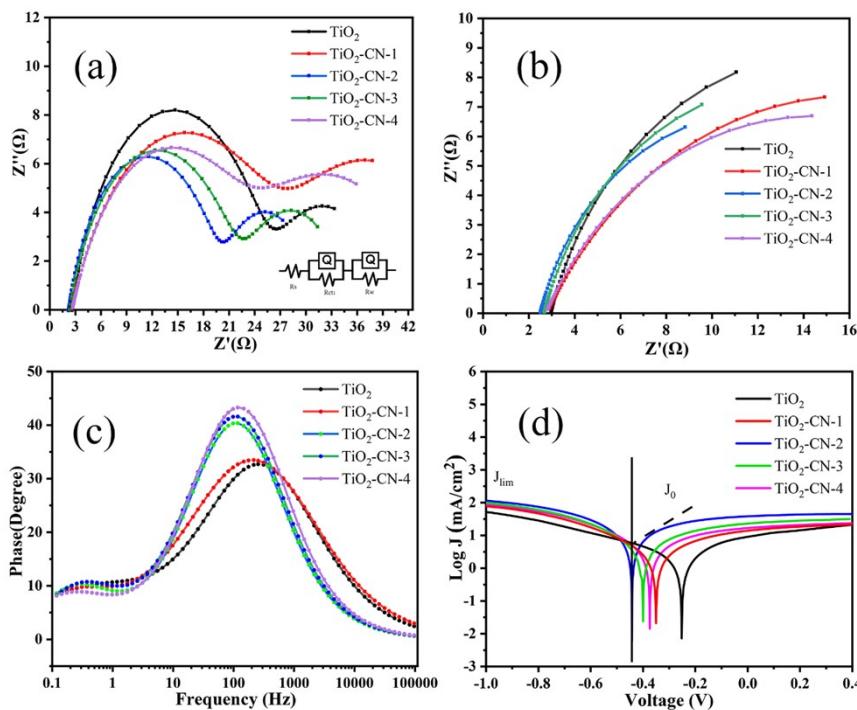
**Fig.S1** High-resolution XPS spectra of (a) TiO<sub>2</sub> and TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-2, (b) O 1s of TiO<sub>2</sub> and TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-2, (c) N 1s of TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-2, and (d) high-resolution XPS spectra of TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-2



**Fig.S2** UV-Vis diagram of (a) $\text{TiO}_2$  and (b) $\text{TiO}_2\text{-CN-2}$ ; Band gap diagram of (b) $\text{TiO}_2$  and (b) $\text{TiO}_2\text{-CN-2}$



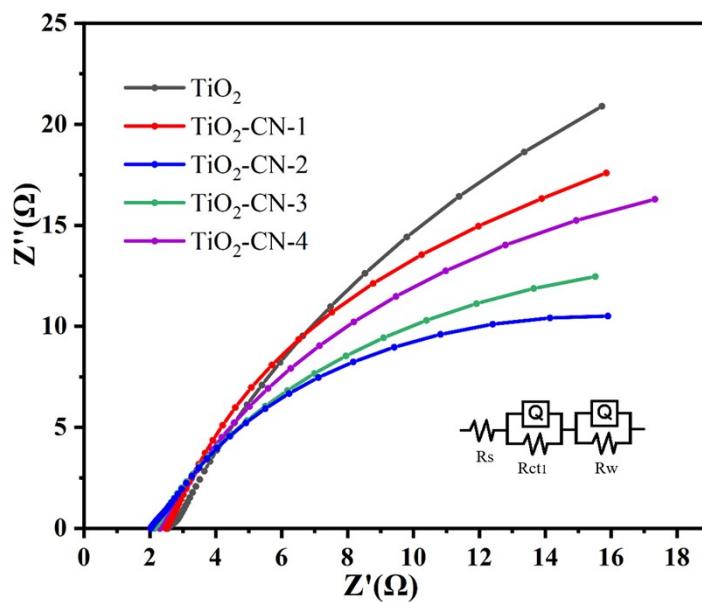
**Fig.S3** (a)PL spectrum and (b)Time-resolved PL spectrum of  $\text{TiO}_2$ ,  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-CN-1}$ ,  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-CN-2}$ ,  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-CN-3}$  and  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-CN-4}$



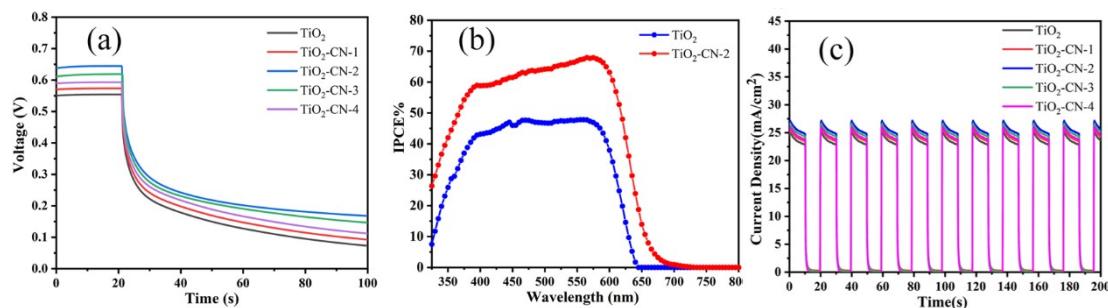
**Fig. S4** QDSSCs corresponding to different optical anodes are (a) Nyquist curves, (b) partial amplification of Nyquist curves, (c)Bode phase curves, and (d) Tafel curves

**Table.S2** EIS and other performance parameters of QDSSCs corresponding to different optical anodes

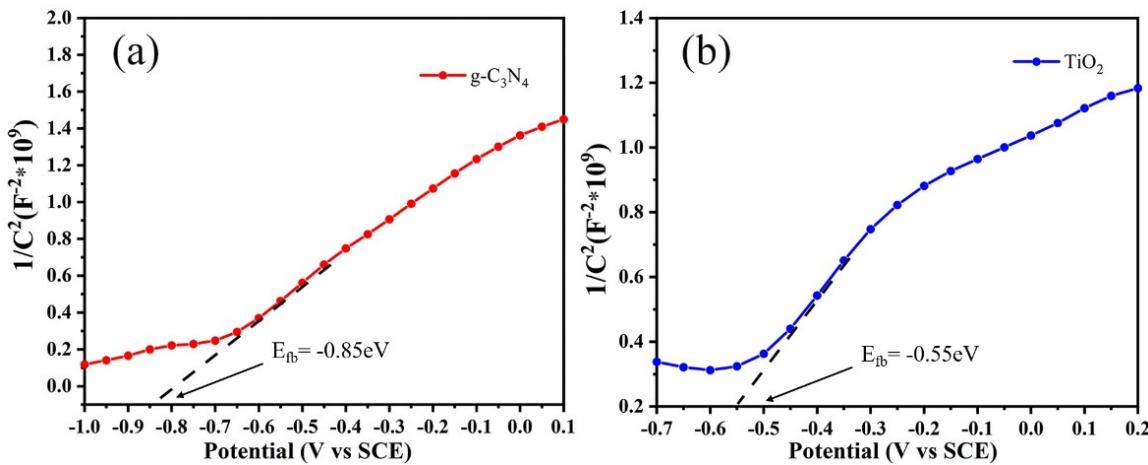
Photoanode material	$R_s$ ( $\Omega$ )	$R_{ct}$ ( $\Omega$ )	$J_\theta$ (mA/cm $^2$ )	$\tau_e$ (ms)
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	3.1	23.23	1.2	10.4
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-1</b>	2.9	22.88	3.1	9.2
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-2</b>	2.5	18.14	5.0	7.2
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-3</b>	2.7	20.70	3.7	7.5
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-4</b>	2.8	22.12	3.1	8.1

**Fig. S5** Nyquist curve of QDSSCs in each group under dark condition**Table.S3** EIS data of QDSSCs in each group under dark condition

Photoanode material	$R_s$ ( $\Omega$ )	$R_{ct}$ ( $\Omega$ )
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	2.73	46.46
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-1</b>	2.54	45.68
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-2</b>	2.06	39.28
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-3</b>	2.15	42.40
<b>TiO<sub>2</sub>-CN-4</b>	2.33	44.31



**Fig. S6** (a) OCVD curves, (b) IPCE curves, and (c) photocurrent response curves of each group of cells



**Fig. S7** Mott-Schottky plots of (a)  $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$  and (b)  $\text{TiO}_2$

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