

Supplementary Information

Bifunctional conjugated polymer photocatalysts for visible light water oxidation and CO₂ reduction: Function- and site-selective hybridisation of Ru(II) complex catalysts

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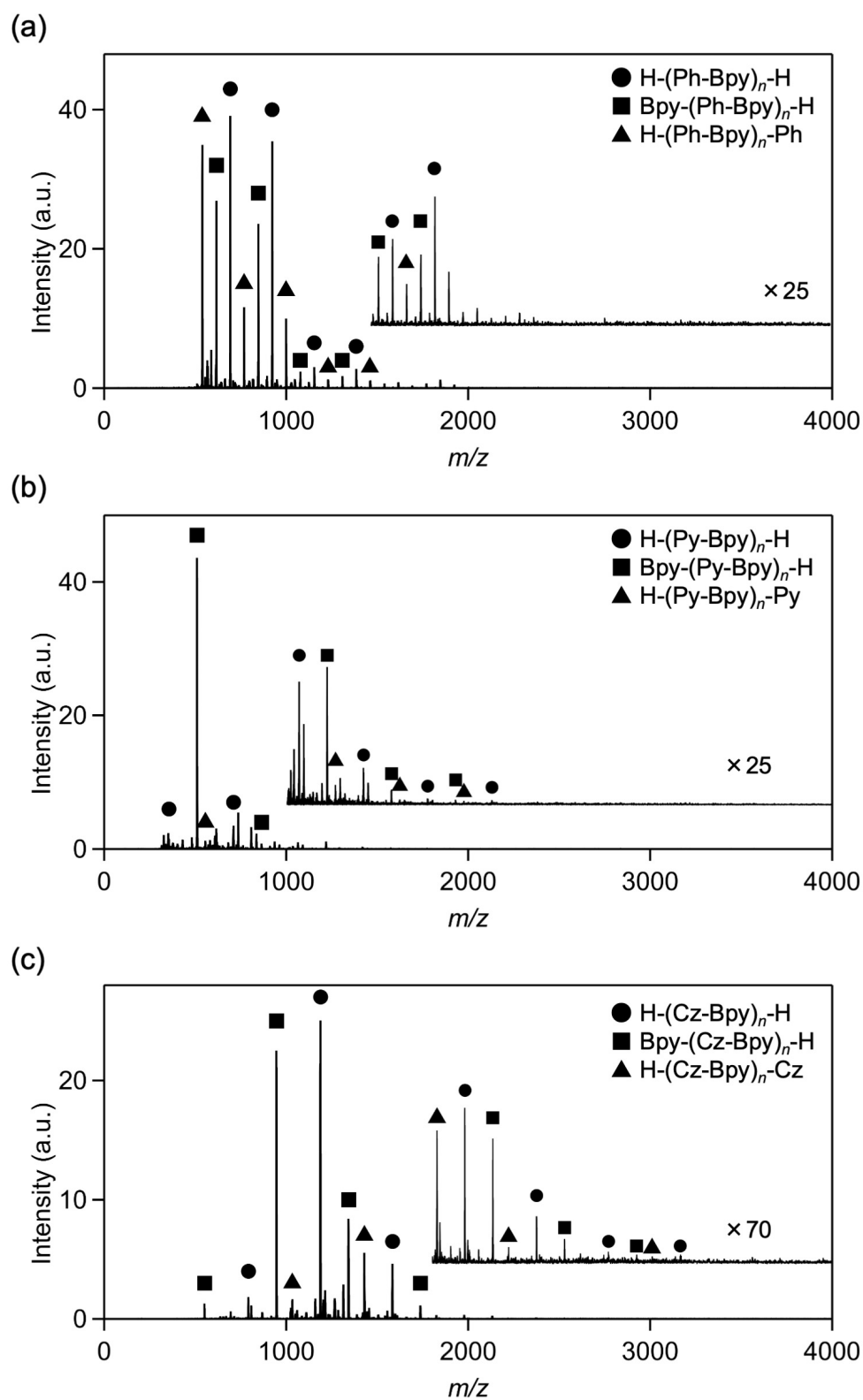


Fig. S1 MALDI-TOF-MS spectra of $[\text{X-bpy}]_n$ ($\text{X} = (\text{a}) \text{Ph}$, $(\text{b}) \text{Py}$, or $(\text{c}) \text{Cz}$)

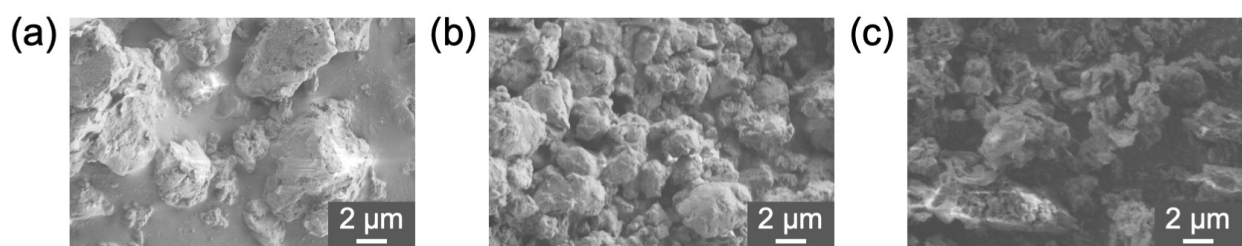


Fig. S2 SEM images of $[X\text{-bpy}]_n$ ($X =$ (a) Ph, (b) Py, or (c) Cz).

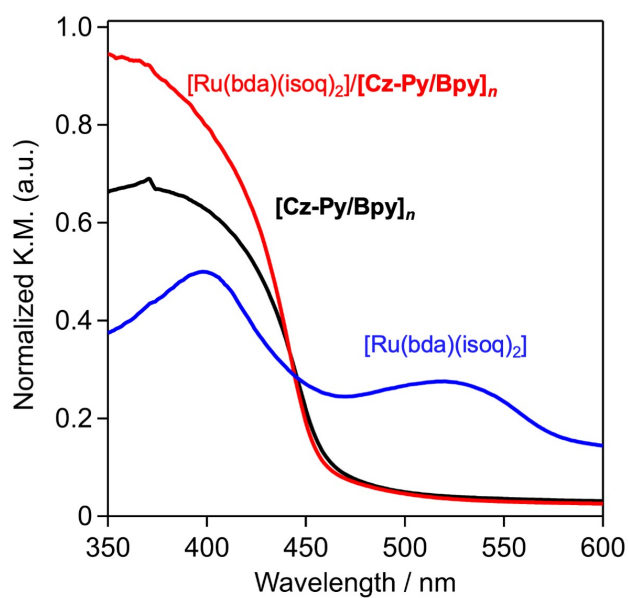


Fig. S3 UV-vis diffuse reflectance spectra of the polymer photocatalysts before (black line), after (red line) adsorption of $[Ru(bda)(isoq)_2]$, along with that of $[Ru(bda)(isoq)_2]$ (blue line).

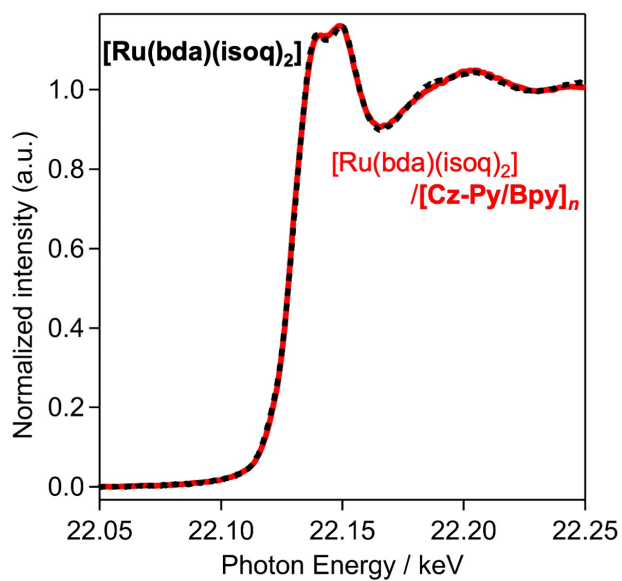


Fig. S4 Ru-K edge XANES spectra of [Ru(bda)(isoq)₂] (black dotted line) and [Cz-Py/Bpy]_n after adsorption of [Ru(bda)(isoq)₂] (red line).

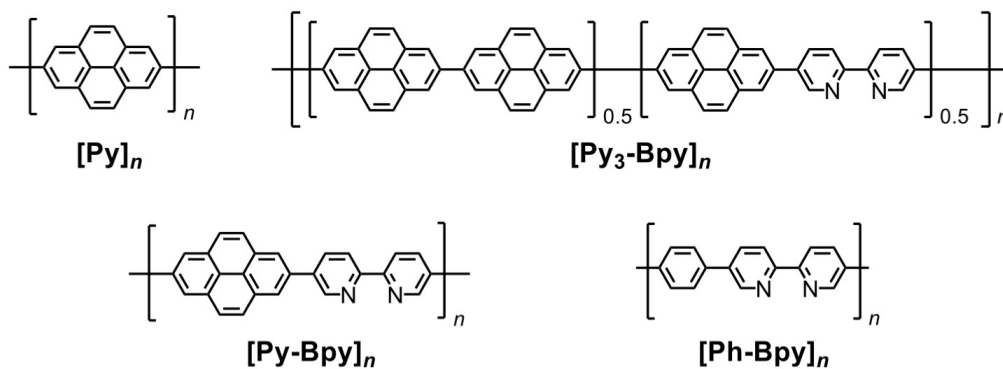


Fig. S5 Molecular structures of pyrene/bipyridine-based polymers with different pyrene contents.

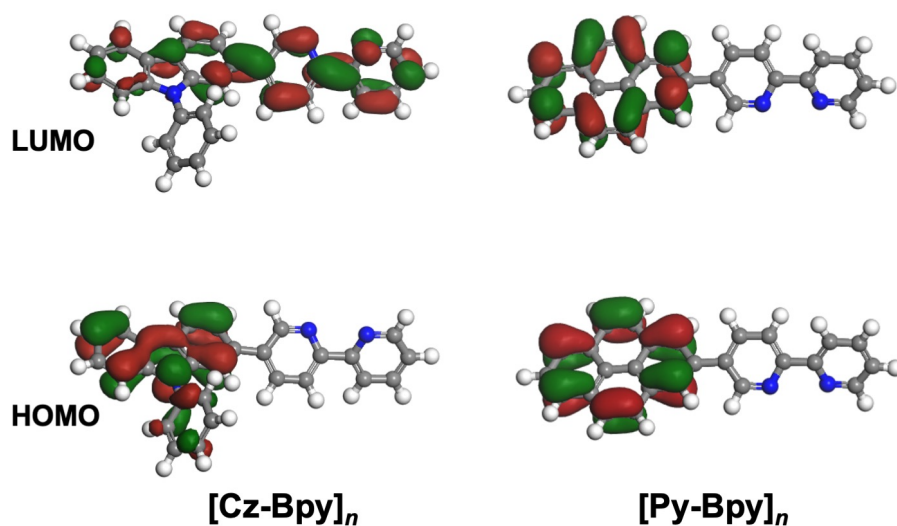


Fig. S6 Calculated HOMO (lower) and LUMO (upper) distributions of **X-bpy** (X = Cz, and Py).

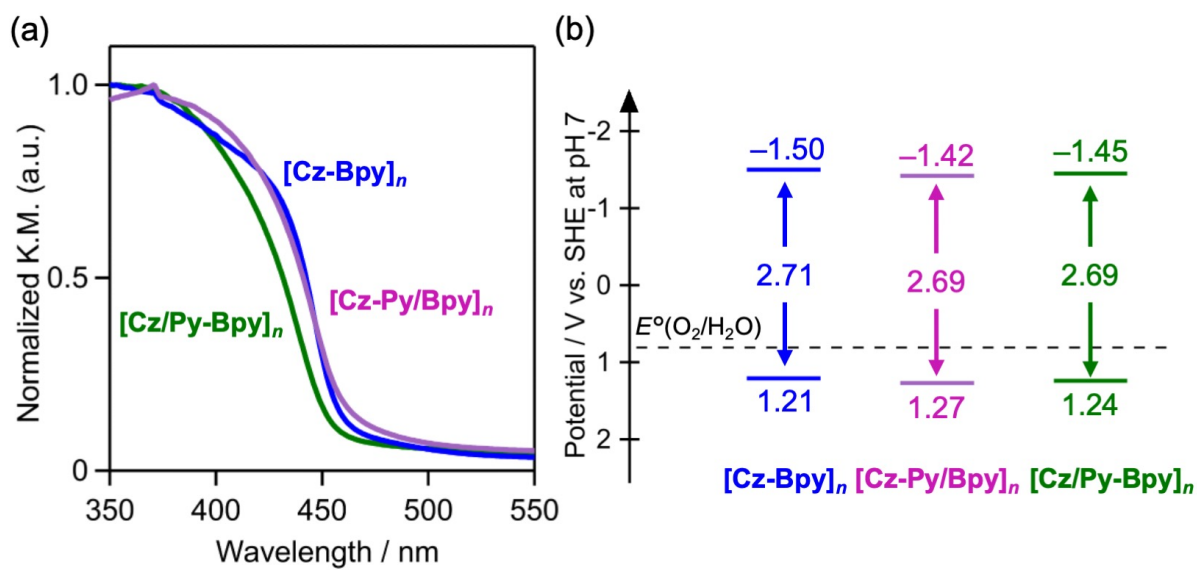


Fig. S7 (a) UV-vis diffuse reflectance spectra of the polymer photocatalysts and (b) HOMO-LUMO potentials of [Cz-Bpy]_n, [Cz-Py/Bpy]_n, and [Cz/Py-Bpy]_n.

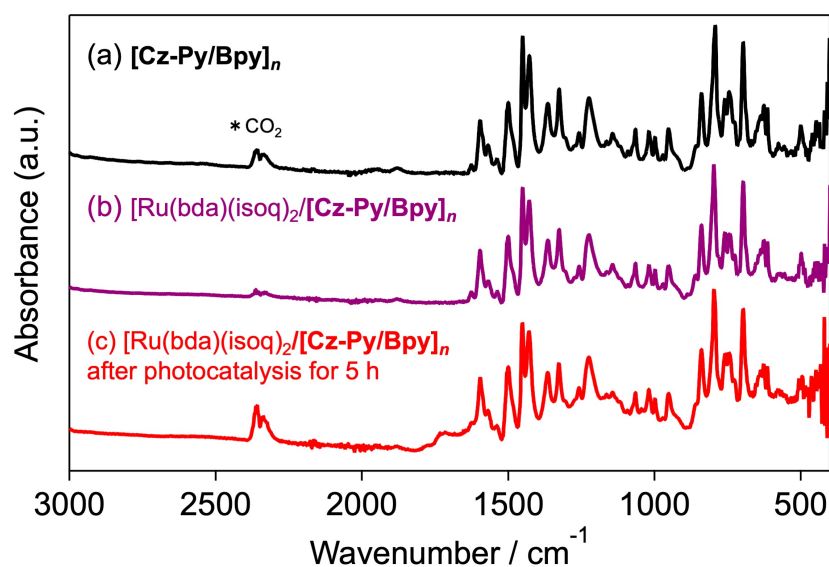


Fig. S8 ATR-IR spectra of (a) $[\text{Cz-Py/Bpy}]_n$ and (b,c) $[\text{Ru(bda)(isoq)}_2]/[\text{Cz-Py/Bpy}]_n$ before and after photocatalytic water oxidation for 5 h.

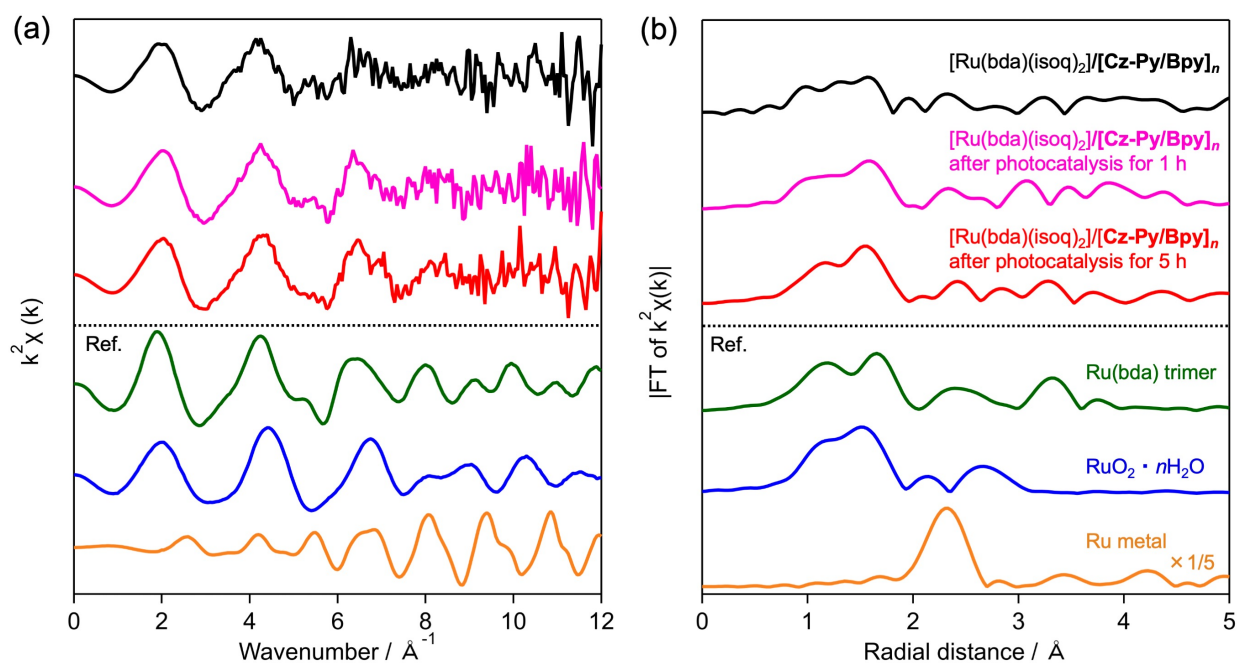


Fig. S9 (a) k^2 -weighted Ru-K edge EXAFS spectra, and (b) their fourier transforms of $[\text{Ru(bda)(isoq)}_2]/[\text{Cz-Py/Bpy}]_n$ before and after photocatalytic water oxidation shown in Fig. 4, along with Ru metal, $\text{RuO}_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$, and Ru(bda) trimer complex as references.

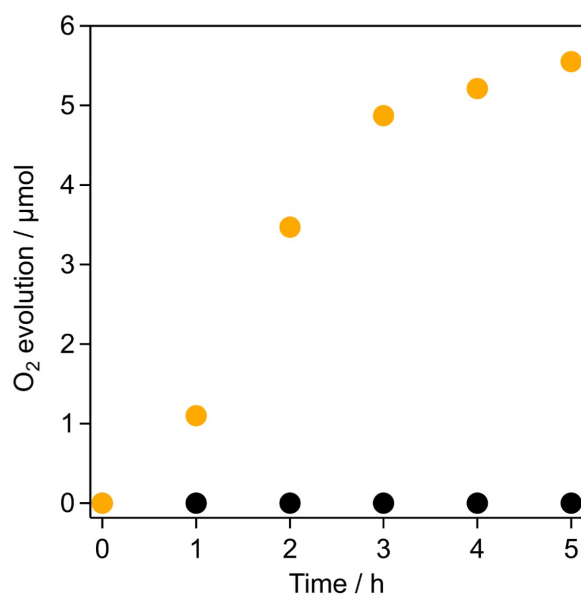


Fig. S10 Time courses of O₂ evolution over [Cz-Py/Bpy]_n (50 mg) in aqueous Na₂S₂O₈ solution (10 mM, 50 mL) containing 10 μM [Ru(bda)(isoq)₂] (orange) or 10 μM RuCl₃ (black).

Table. S1 Photocatalytic CO₂ reduction under various conditions.^a

Entry	Photocatalyst	Control	Product / μmol		
			Formate	CO	H ₂
1	[Cz-Py/BpyRu(CO)] _n	— ^a	2.9	N.D.	0.8
2	[Cz-Py/BpyRu(CO)] _n	Without light	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.
3	[Cz-Py/BpyRu(CO)] _n	Without CO ₂ ^b	N.D.	N.D.	0.1
4	[Cz-Py/BpyRu(CO)] _n	Without sodium ascorbate	Trace	N.D.	0.3
5	[Cz-Py/Bpy] _n	— ^a	N.D.	N.D.	0.1

^a Standard condition: 2 mg of photocatalyst powder in 10 mM sodium ascorbate aqueous solution dispersion was irradiated at $\lambda > 400$ nm for 10 h under CO₂ atmosphere. ^b Under Ar atmosphere.

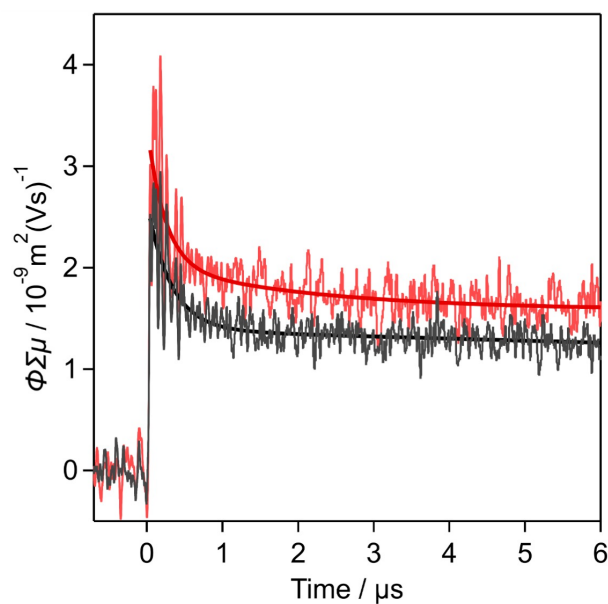


Fig. S11 Transient photoconductivities and their fittings using biexponential function ($A_1\exp(-k_1t) + A_2\exp(-k_2t)$) of $[\text{Cz-Py/Bpy}]_n$ (red) and $[\text{Cz-Bpy}]_n$ (black).

Table. S2 Overview of photocatalytic efficiency for water oxidation and CO_2 reduction using conjugated polymer-based photocatalysts in aqueous solution.

Abbreviation of Photocatalyst	Water oxidation			CO_2 reduction			Ref
	catalyst	electron acceptor	AQE (%)	catalyst	electron donor	AQE (%)	
$[\text{Py-Cz/Bpy}]_n$	$[\text{Ru}(\text{bda})(\text{isoq})_2]$	$\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$	0.05 (430 nm)	$(\text{-bpy-})\text{Ru}(\text{CO})_2\text{Cl}_2$	Sodium ascorbate	0.02 (430 nm)	This work
TAPT-Bpy	Co^{2+}	AgNO_3	7.6 (420 nm)	Not demonstrated			[S1]
Bpy-CTF	Co^{2+}	AgNO_3	0.56 (420 nm)	Not demonstrated			[S2]
P10	Co	AgNO_3	–	Not demonstrated			[S3]
Bp-COF	Co^{2+}	AgNO_3	0.46 (420 nm)	Not demonstrated			[S4]
CTHP	Co	AgNO_3	–	Not demonstrated			[S5]
CTF-0-I	–	AgNO_3	5.2 (420 nm)	Not demonstrated			[S6]
g- C_{40}N_3	Co	AgNO_3	–	Not demonstrated			[S7]
CTF-1	RuO_x	AgNO_3	3.8 (420 nm)	Not demonstrated			[S8]
CTP-2	Co	AgNO_3	–	Not demonstrated			[S9]
aza-CMP	Co	AgNO_3	–	Not demonstrated			[S10]
g- C_3N_4	$\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2$	AgNO_3	–	RuP complex	EDTA·2Na	–	[S11] [S12]

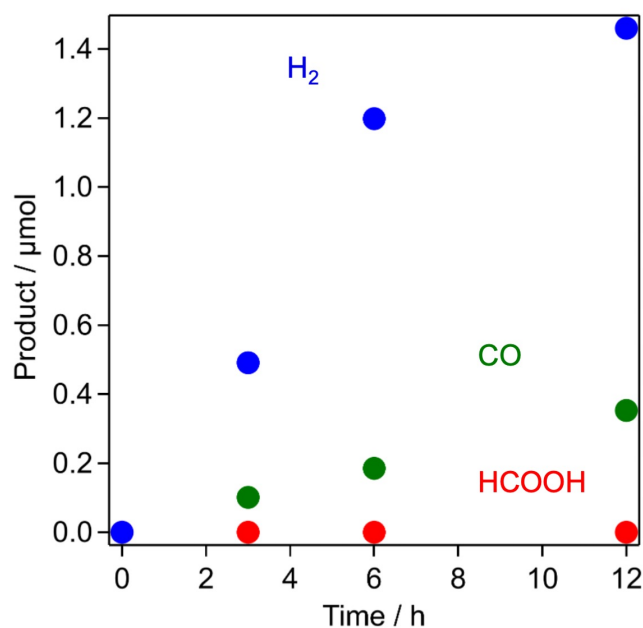


Fig. S12 Time courses of CO₂ reduction over [Ru(bda)(isoq)₂]/[Cz-Py/BpyRu(CO)]_n hybrid (2 mg) in water (2 mL) (i.e., without sacrificial reagent) upon visible-light irradiation ($\lambda > 400$ nm).

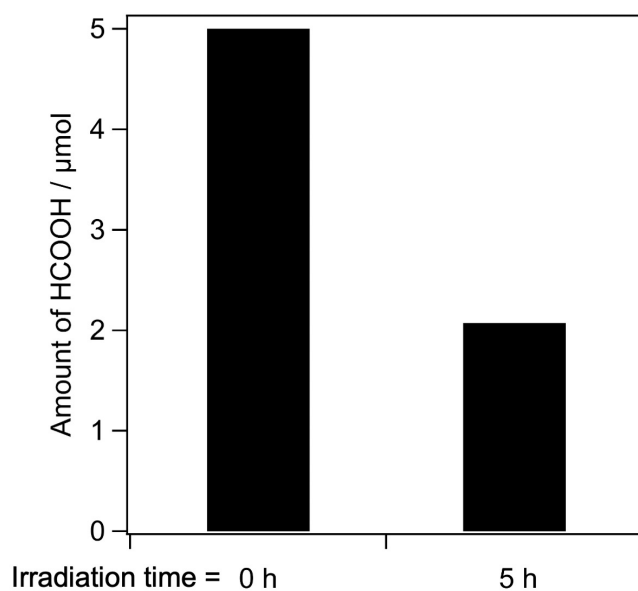


Fig. S13 The amount of HCOOH during water oxidation over [Ru(bda)(isoq)₂]/[Cz-Py/Bpy]_n hybrid (5 mg) in 1 mM HCOOH aqueous solution (5 mL) upon visible-light irradiation ($\lambda = 430$ nm).

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