

## Supporting Information

### Engineering g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>/MnCo<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub> Heterojunction Nanocomposites for Highly Efficient Visible-Light Photocatalytic Dye Degradation and Electrochemical Energy Conversion

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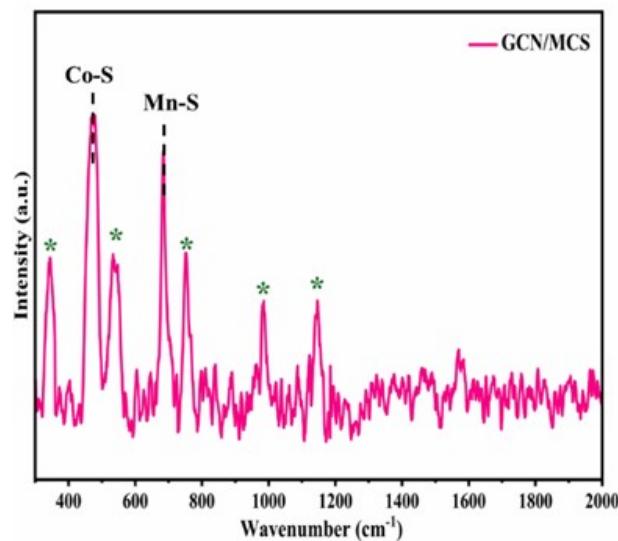
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#### S1. Instrumentation

A powder X-ray diffractometer was employed to investigate the crystallinity and phase composition of the synthesized materials (P-XRD) (ARL EQUINOX300, Cu-K $\alpha$ , 1.5406 Å), while Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectroscopy (Jasco FT/IR-4600, KBr pellet method) identified the functional groups. Raman spectroscopy (Renishaw, UK, Model no: 2CCN98) was used to perform the Raman analysis. The morphology and elemental composition were characterized by field emission scanning electron microscope (FE-SEM) (JEOL-JSM-7610F) and high-resolution transmission electron microscope (HR-TEM) (JEOL-JEM-2100 Plus) with energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscope (EDS). The X-ray photoelectron spectrometer (XPS) (K-Alpha-PHI 5000 Versaprobe III) was used to determine chemical states, and optical properties were analysed using UV-visible diffuse reflectance spectrometer (UV-Vis DRS) (Shimadzu UV-2600) and a single-beam UV-vis spectrophotometer (LMSPUV1900). The average surface area, pore size and volume were found using Brunauer-Emmett-

Teller (BET) (Autosorb iQ Station 1) instrument. The electrochemical experiments were conducted using a Bio-logic SAS (model number: SP-50e/150e) electrochemical instrument.

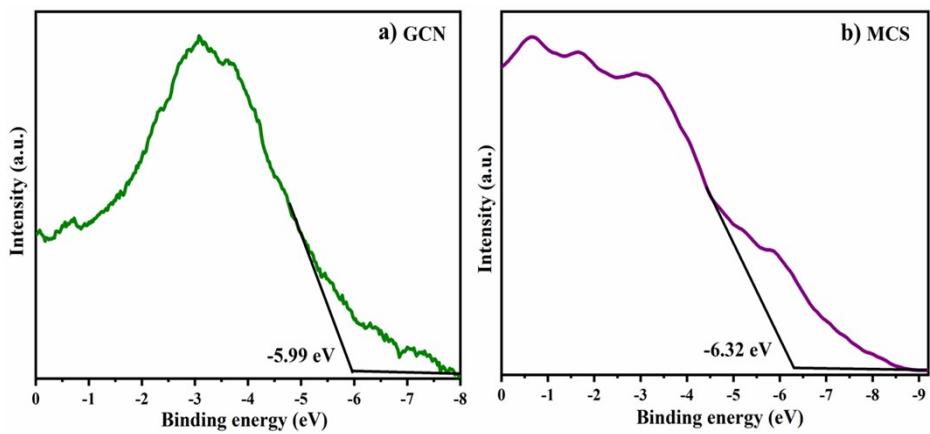
**Figure S1.** Raman spectrum of GCN/MCS composite.



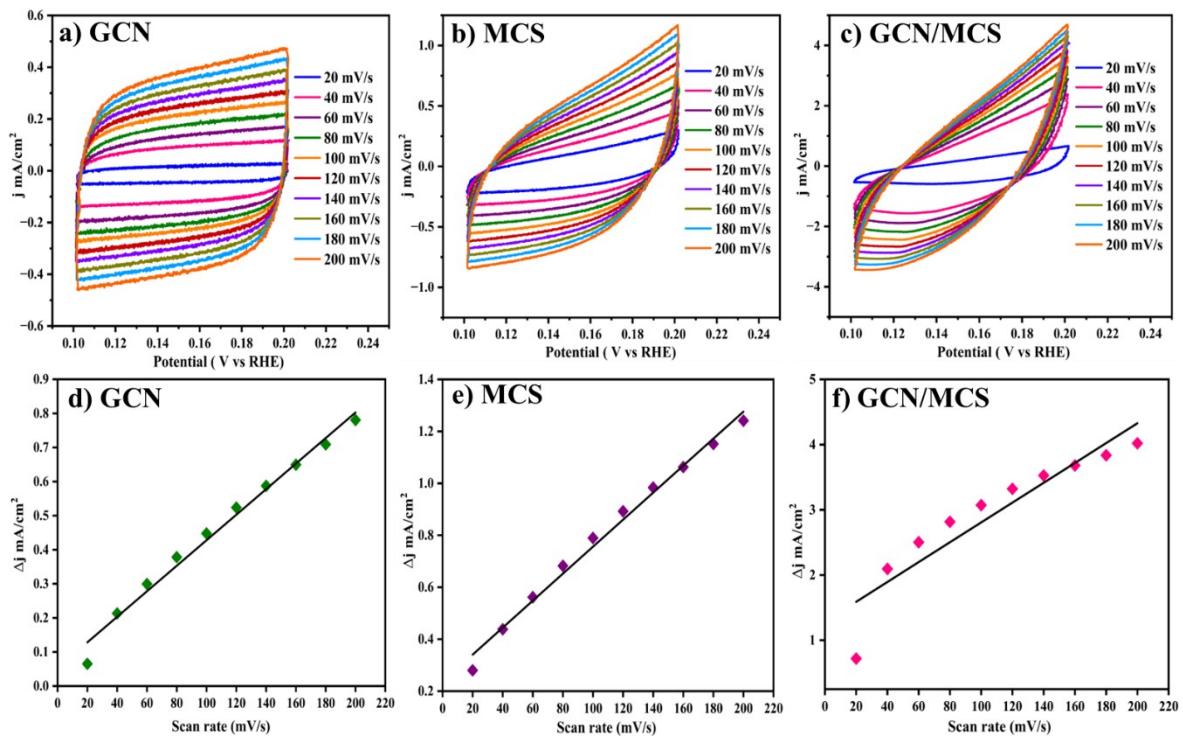
**Table ST1.** Surface area, average pore volume and pore diameter calculated from N<sub>2</sub> adsorption /desorption isotherm.

Materials	Surface area (m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Average Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Average Pore diameter (nm)
GCN	7.72	0.067	36.5
MCS	9.00	0.035	15.78
GCN/MCS	21.88	0.107	19.66

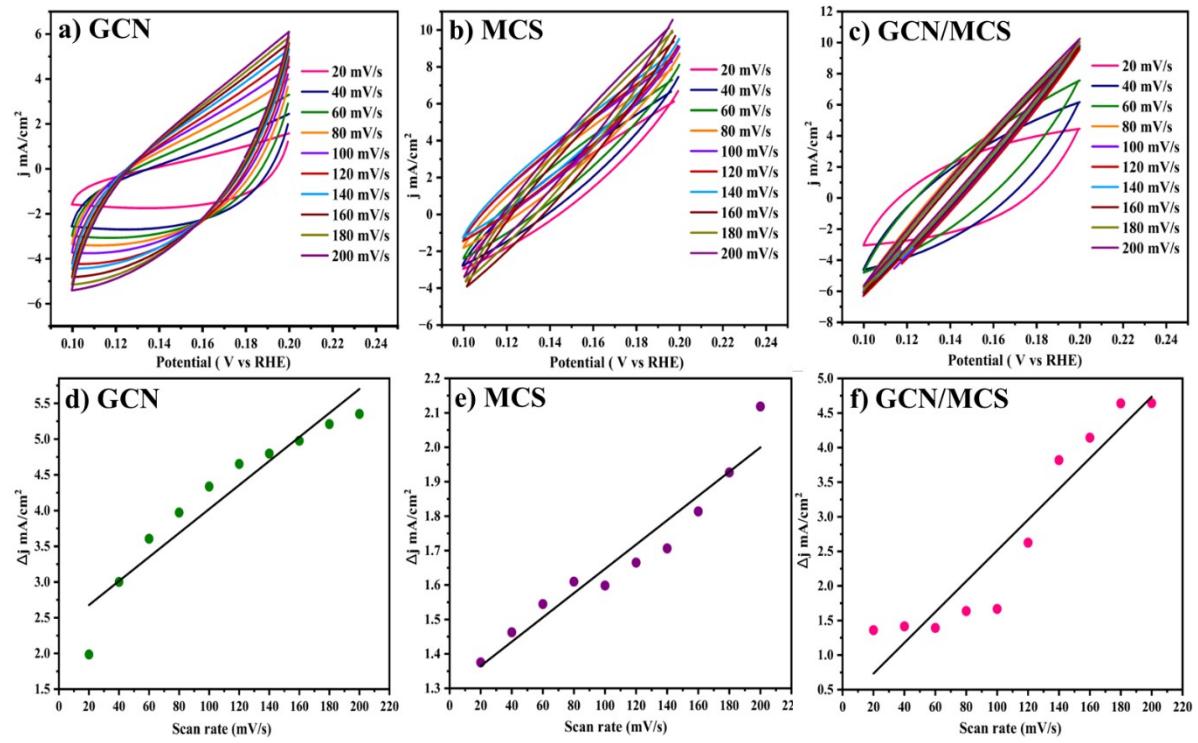
**Figure S2.** VB-XPS spectra of a) GCN and b) MCS.



**Figure S3.** ESCA (a-c) and Cdl (d-f) plots for HER.



**Figure S4.** ESCA (a-c) and Cdl (d-f) plots for OER.



**Figure S5.** a) XRD and FE-SEM analyses (b & c) of the prepared nanocomposite before and after the electrocatalytic activity.

