

Supporting Information for

**Photosensitizing Covalent Organic Frameworks for Activating
Polyoxometalates toward Efficient Photocatalytic Sulfide
Oxidation**

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Experimental section

Materials and methods

1, 3, 5-triformylphloroglucinol (Tp), TG were purchased from Jilin Research and Extension Technology Company. Keggin-type $\text{H}_3\text{PMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ (PMo_{12}), $\text{H}_3\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ (PW_{12}), $\text{H}_3\text{SiW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ (SiW_{12}), mesitylene, 1,4-dioxane were all purchased by Aladdin Reagents. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns were measured on a D/teX Ultra diffractometer with Cu $\text{K}\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$). Diffraction intensity data were collected with 2θ values ranging from 3° to 50° at a scanning speed of $2^\circ/\text{min}$ and a step size of 0.01° . FT-IR spectroscopy was performed on a Perkin Elmer spectrometer in the wavenumber range of $500\text{--}4000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. Thermogravimetric analyses were conducted using a Hitachi TG/DTA7200 analyzer under N_2 flow with a heating rate of $10^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$ from 25 to 800°C . Scanning electron microscope (SEM) images and energy-dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) were acquired on a cold field-emission scanning electron microscope (S-4800). Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) was performed on a JEOL JEM-2100F operated at 200 kV, equipped with an EDS detector (X-MaxN 80T IE250). UV-Vis absorption spectra were collected on an SP 1901 UV-Vis spectrophotometer. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was performed using a Thermo Scientific K-Alpha photoelectron spectrometer. Elemental analysis was conducted on a UNICUBE-Elementar analyzer.

Electrochemical Measurements

Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS), photoelectrochemical measurements, and Mott-Schottky plots were carried out on a CHI-760 workstation. The experimental conditions are as follows: (1) Reference electrode: Ag/AgCl; the potential was converted to the NHE scale via $\text{ENHE} = \text{EAg/AgCl} + 0.197 \text{ V}$. (2) Working electrode: FTO conductive glass (1.0 cm^2). (3) Electrolyte: $0.1 \text{ M Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ($\text{pH} = 7.0$).

Photocatalytic Reaction

The photocatalytic oxidation of sulfides was performed as follows: MPS (0.5 mmol), catalyst ($0.7 \text{ mmol}\%$), naphthalene (internal standard, 15 mg), solvent (3 mL), 25°C (thermostated), 300 W Xe lamp. The photocatalytic activity of Keggin-type POM@TpTG composites (PW_{12} , PMo_{12} , SiW_{12}) for sulfide oxidation was evaluated under visible light ($\lambda \geq 425 \text{ nm}$) using $30\% \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2$ as oxidant. After the reaction was completed, the solution was filtered through a filter membrane (pore size: $0.22 \mu\text{m}$,

diameter: 13 mm). The reaction mixture was analyzed using a Shimadzu GC-7900 gas chromatograph equipped with a TM-5 Sil capillary column and a flame ionization detector (FID). The injection volume was 1 μ L, and the column was maintained at 150 $^{\circ}$ C for 9 min. Naphthalene was used as the internal standard for quantitative analysis, and the product yield was calculated by the internal standard method.

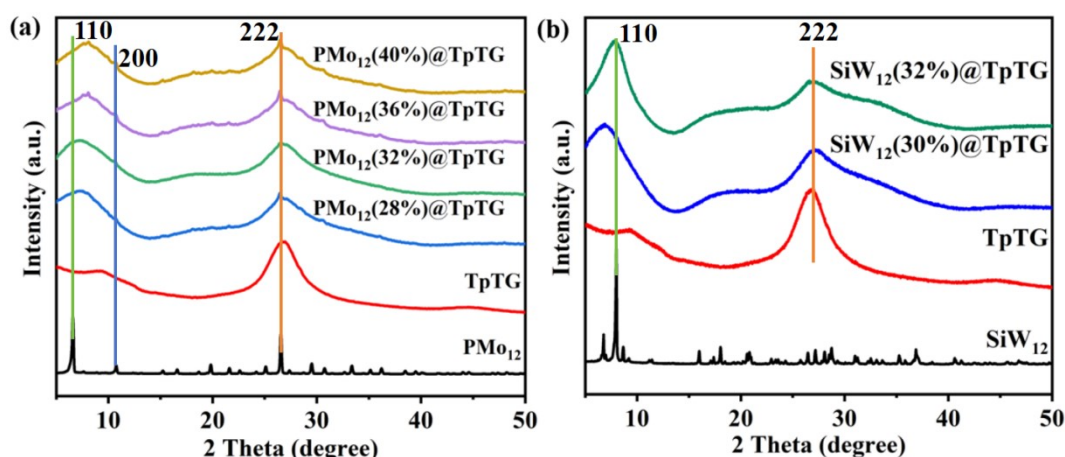


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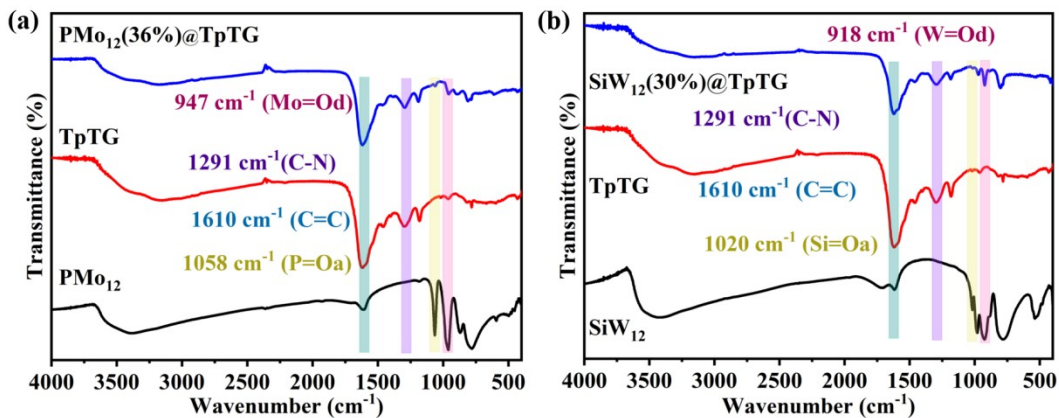


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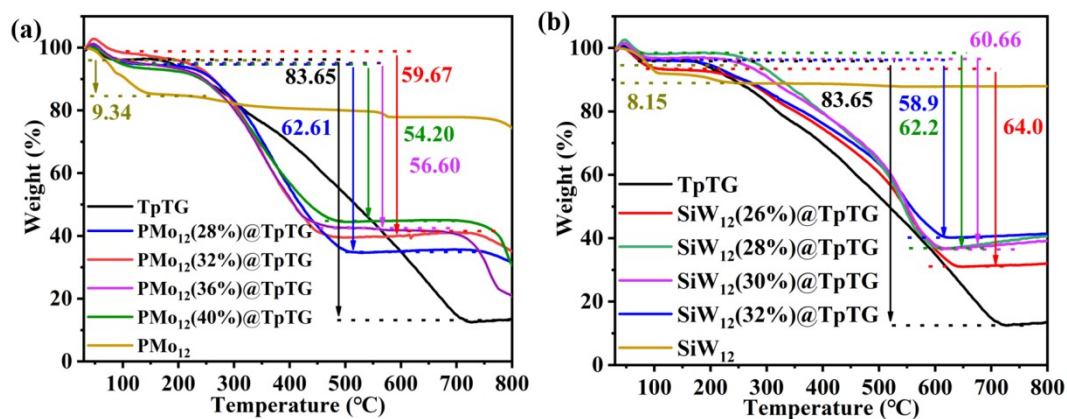


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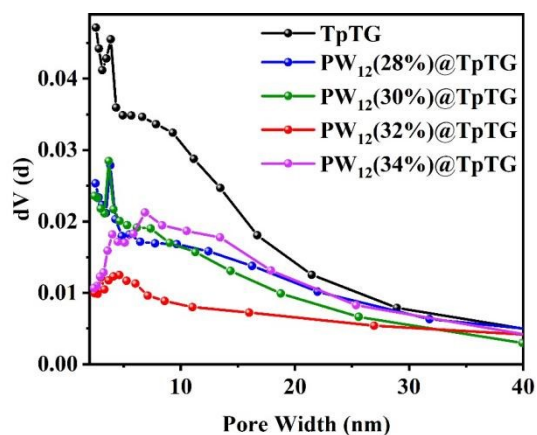


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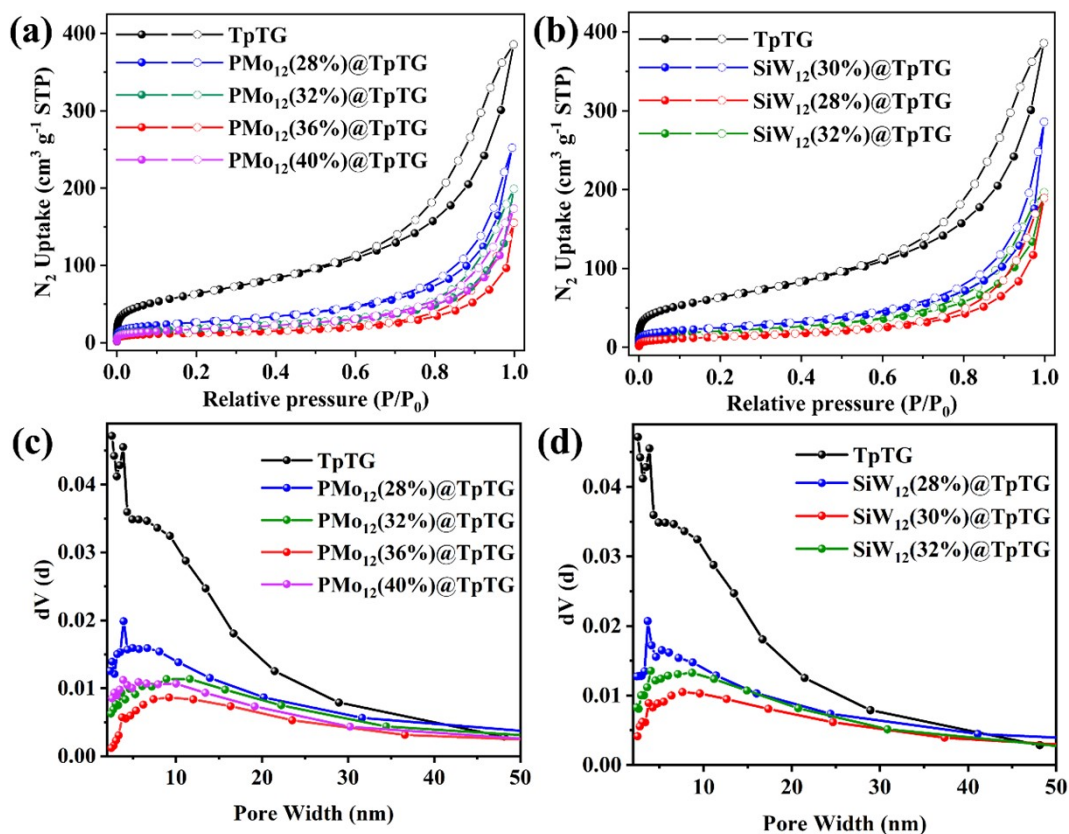


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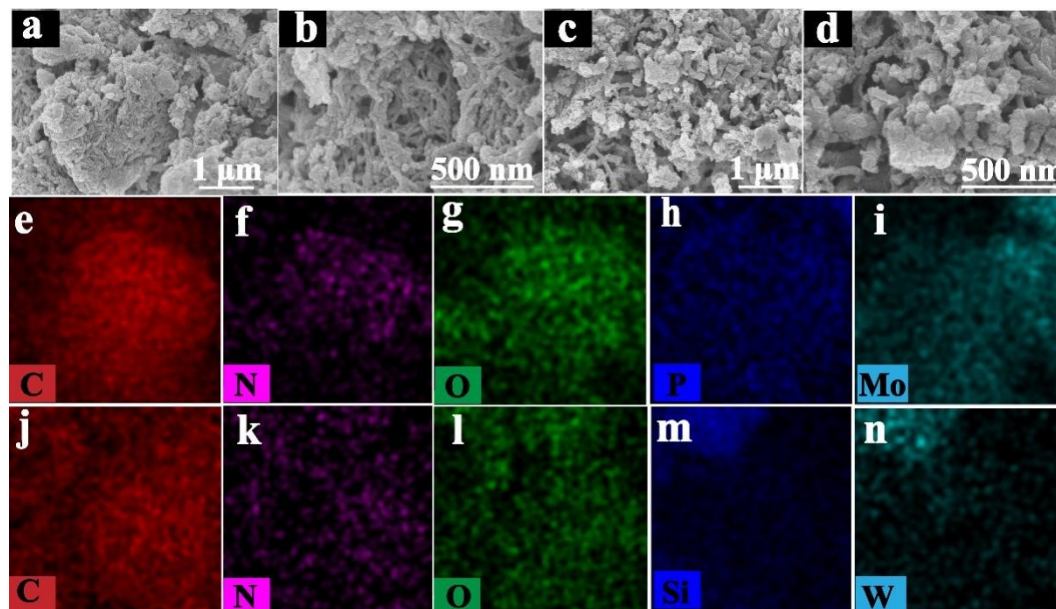


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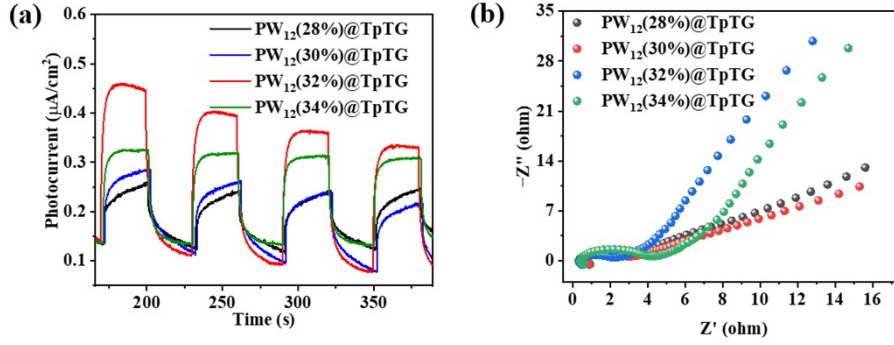


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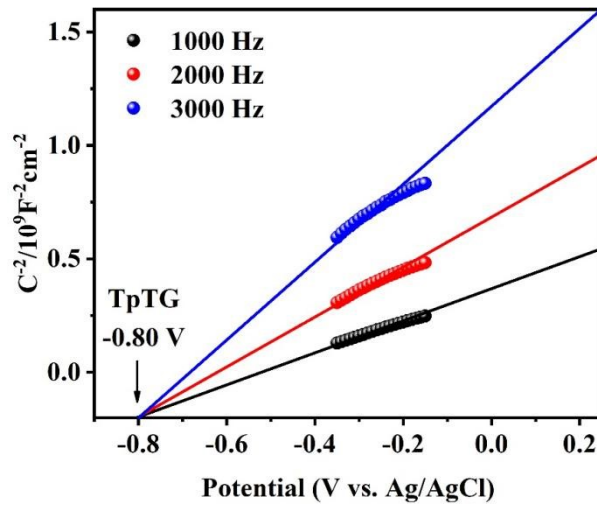


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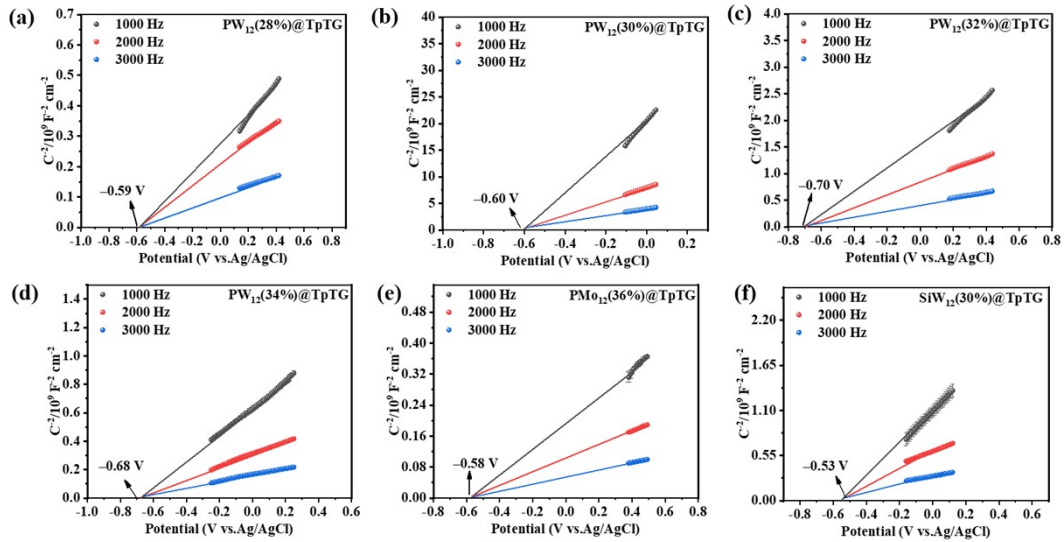


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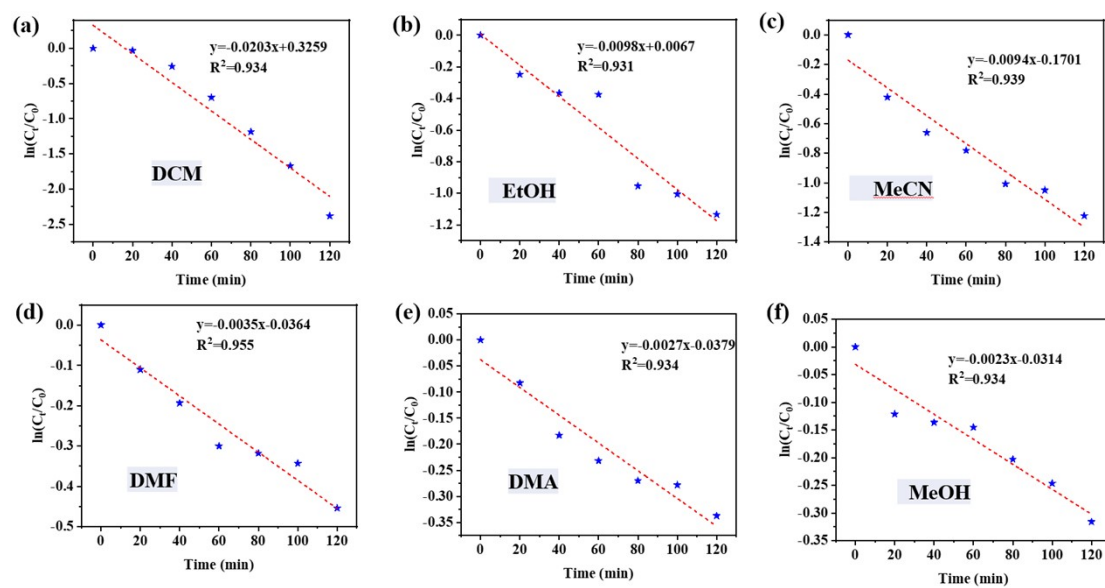


Fig. S10 Reaction kinetics of $PW_{12}(34\%)@TpTG$ under different solvent conditions.

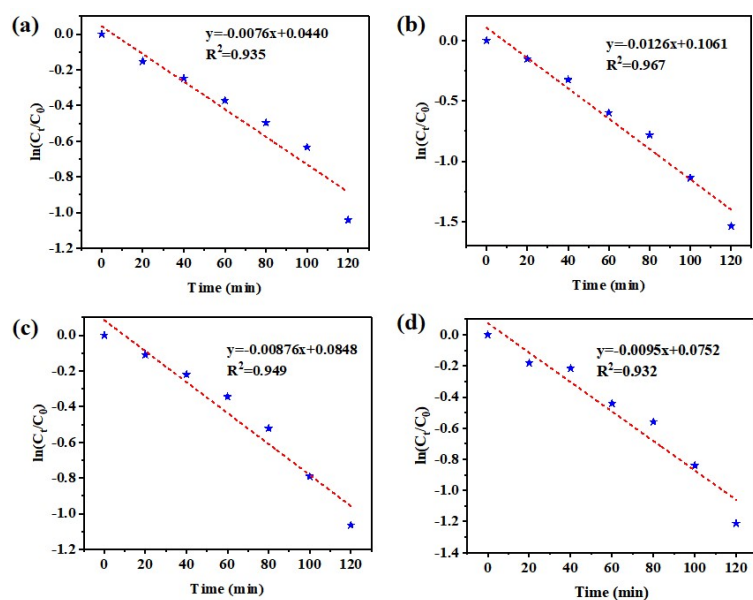


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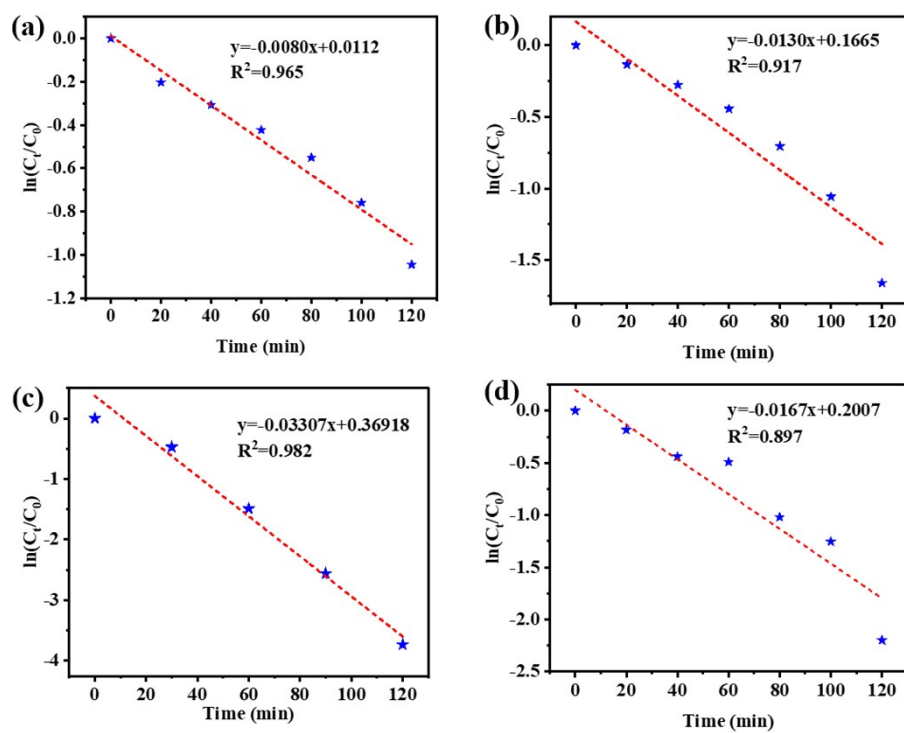


Fig. S12 Kinetic plots of MPS oxidation over $PW_{12}@TpTG$ with different PW_{12} loadings: (a) 28%, (b) 30%, (c) 32%, and (d) 34%.

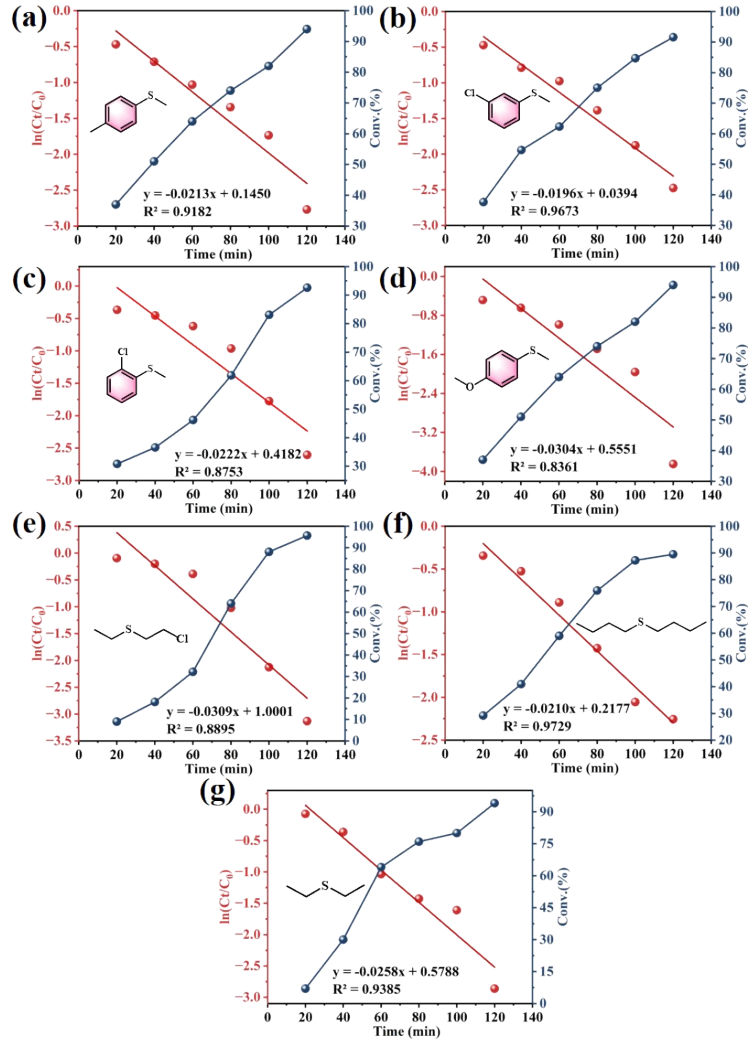


Fig. S13 Pseudo-first-order kinetic plots for the oxidation of (a) methyl phenyl sulfide, (b) 3-chloro methyl phenyl sulfide, (c) 2-chloro methyl phenyl sulfide, (d) methoxy methyl phenyl sulfide, (e) 2-chloroethyl sulfide, (f) diethyl sulfide, and (g) dipropyl sulfide.

Table S1 Physicochemical properties of POM@TpTG composites.

Composites	S_{BET} ($m^2 \cdot g^{-1}$)	Vtotal ($cc \cdot g^{-1}$)	Average pore size (nm)
TpTG	230.84	0.60	5.17
PW ₁₂ (28%)@TpTG	133.60	0.44	6.52
PW ₁₂ (30%)@TpTG	123.69	0.34	5.54
PW ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	43.05	0.27	5.88
PW ₁₂ (34%)@TpTG	111.90	0.39	6.96
PMO ₁₂ (28%)@TpTG	92.70	0.39	8.42
PMO ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	63.76	0.31	9.66

PMo ₁₂ (36%)@TpTG	42.85	0.24	11.2
PMo ₁₂ (40%)@TpTG	60.85	0.27	8.82
SiW ₁₂ (28%)@TpTG	88.67	0.44	9.98
SiW ₁₂ (30%)@TpTG	48.50	0.30	6.94
SiW ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	73.40	0.30	8.28

Table S2 The photoelectric performance and catalytic rate of PW₁₂@TpTG.

Sample	Photocurrent density ($\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$)	Rct (Ω)	k _{rec} (s ⁻¹)	Rate constant k (min ⁻¹)
PW ₁₂ (28%)@TpTG	2.0	1250	0.85	0.0080
PW ₁₂ (30%)@TpTG	3.0	1120	0.72	0.0130
PW ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	4.5	620	0.48	0.0330
PW ₁₂ (34%)@TpTG	3.2	880	0.65	0.0167

Table S3 Solvent effect on the photocatalytic oxidation of MPS.

Solvent	Dielectric constant (ϵ)	Rate constant k (min ⁻¹)	Con. (%)	Sel. (%)
CHY	2.02	0.0331	99.0	99.6
DCM	8.93	0.0203	90.8	99.0
EtOH	24.3	0.0098	67.8	32.2
MeCN	37.5	0.0094	70.6	29.4
DMF	38.3	0.0035	36.5	63.5
DMA	37.8	0.0027	28.6	71.4
MeOH	32.7	0.0023	27.0	72.9

Table S4 The oxidation effect of POM@TpTG composites with different POMs loadings on photocatalytic MPS was studied. ^a

Entry	Catalyst	Conv. (%)	Sel. ^b (%)
1	PW ₁₂ (30%)@TpTG	93.7	99.5
2	PW ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	99.0	99.6
3	PW ₁₂ (34%)@TpTG	98.2	99.5
4	PMo ₁₂ (28%)@TpTG	88.1	98.4
5	PMo ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	92.3	99.1
6	PMo ₁₂ (36%)@TpTG	96.0	99.0
7	SiW ₁₂ (28%)@TpTG	40.7	77.1
8	SiW ₁₂ (30%)@TpTG	45.0	77.9
9	SiW ₁₂ (32%)@TpTG	41.3	65.9

[a] Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol MPS, 0.7 mmol% PW₁₂(32%)@TpTG material, 1.3 mmol H₂O₂, 25 °C 300 W Xe lamp and reaction time 2.0 h; [b] the main product of is sulfone.

Table S5 The Comparison of the photocatalytic performance of PW₁₂@TpTG with state-of-the-art COF/MOF/POM-based photocatalysts for sulfide oxidation.

Catalyst	Substrate	Light source	Time	Conv. (%)	Sel. (%)	Ref.
PW ₁₂ @TpTG	MPS	300 W Xe lamp ($\lambda \geq 425$ nm)	2 h	99.0	99.6	This work
TpBpy-COF	MPS	blue LED	6 h	99.9	99.9	[1]
P ₂ W ₁₈ -COF	MPS	10 W white LED	18 min	99	97	[2]
SiW ₁₂ -CTF	MPS	10 W 425 nm LED	2 h	97	99	[3]
PW ₁₂ -CTF	MPS	10 W 425 nm LED	2 h	89	99	[3]
PMo ₁₂ -CTF	MPS	10 W 425 nm LED	2 h	36	99	[3]
SiW ₁₂ -CTF-2	MPS	10 W 425 nm LED	2 h	81	99	[3]
PMo ₁₂ (46.1%)@RT-COF-1	MPS	Ultrasound-assisted	2 h	49.5	16.6	[4]
HY-340	MPS	60 °C, 0.2 mL H ₂ O ₂ ,	2 h	100	70	[5]

Table S6 The selective oxidation of CEES catalyzed by PW₁₂(32%)@TpTG was studied. ^a

Entry	Catalyst (mmol%)	H ₂ O ₂ (mmol)	Conv. ^b (%)	Sel. ^c (%)
1	0.8	1.4	86.9	100
2	0.9	1.4	99.4	100
3	1.1	1.4	98.2	100
4	0.9	1.1	93.1	100
5	0.9	1.2	95.7	100
6	0.9	1.3	96.1	100
7	0.9	1.3	98.7	100
8	0.9	–	28.0	86.8
9	–	1.3	47.6	94.5
10	–	–	Trace	Trace

[a] Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol CEES and 3 mL CYH, 25 °C 300 W Xe lamp and reaction time 1.5 h; [b] measured by GC; [c] selectivity of CEESO₂.

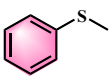
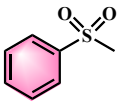
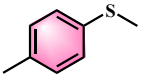
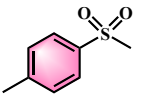

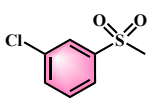
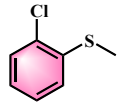
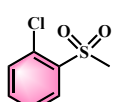
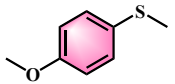
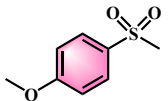
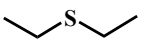
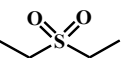
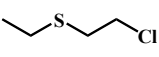
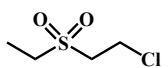
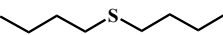
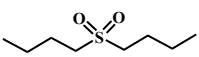
Table S7 ICP-OES analysis of tungsten (W) leaching from PW₁₂@TpTG catalyst after one catalytic cycle.

Sample	W(mg/L) ^a	W (mg/mL)
Reference material	–0.0208	0
After 1st cycle	0.0155	7.75×10 ^{–4}

After 2nd cycle	-0.0176	0
After 3rd cycle	-0.0229	0
After 4th cycle	-0.0210	0
After 5th cycle	-0.0231	0

[a] Dilute 1 mL of sample to volume, test result of 50 mL

Table S8 PW₁₂(32%)@TpTG photocatalytic oxidation of different sulfides ^a.

Entry	Substrate	Product	Conv. (%)	Sel. ^b (%)	TON	TOF (h ⁻¹)
1			98.0	99.0	319.5	159.8
2			94.0	95.0	300.5	150.2
3			99.0	99.0	294.4	147.2
4			99.0	97.0	280.9	140.4
5			99.0	90.0	311.7	155.9
6			99.0	99.0	273.5	136.8
7			99.0	99.0	299.8	149.9
8			99.0	99.0	303.1	151.5

[a] Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol MPS, 0.7 mmol % PW₁₂(32%)@TpTG material, 1.3 mmol H₂O₂, 25 °C 300 W xenon lamp and reaction time 2.0 h; [b] the main product of is sulfone.

$$\text{TON} = \frac{n_{\text{prod}}}{n_{\text{PW}_{12}}} = \frac{n_{\text{sub}} C_{\text{Conv.}} C_{\text{Sel.}} M_{\text{PW}_{12}}}{m_{\text{cat}} w_{\text{PW}_{12}}}$$

$$\text{TOF} = \frac{\text{TON}}{t}$$

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