

[Supporting Information]

UV-Visible-Light-Activated Photocatalyst Based on Bi₂O₃/Bi₄Ti₃O₁₂/TiO₂

Double-Heterostructured TiO₂ Nanobelts

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Figure S1. Photographs of products prepared by annealing TiO₂ nanobelts deposited with bismuth hydroxide at (a)

300 °C, (b) 500 °C, (c) 600 °C and (d) $\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}$.

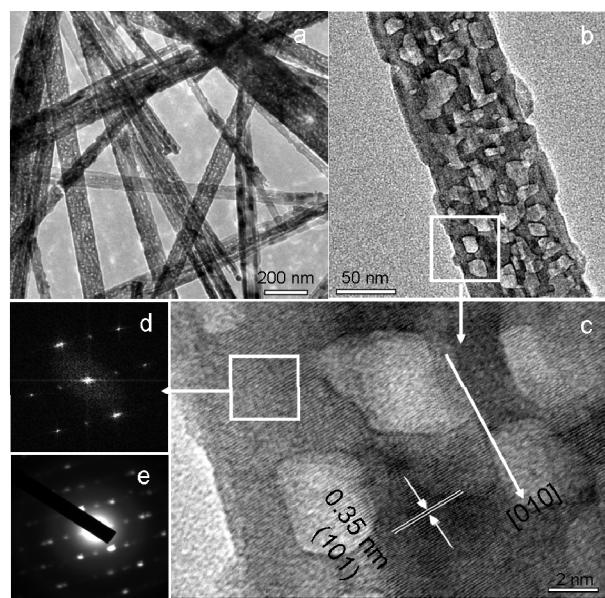


Figure S2. HRTEM images of TiO_2 nanobelts treated with acid. (a) TEM images of TiO_2 nanobelts treated with acid; (b) TEM image of a single TiO_2 nanobelt; (c) HRTEM image of the selected area in image (b); (d) FFT pattern of the selected area in image (c); (e) the corresponding SAED image.

Table 1

Sample	Specific surface area (m^2g^{-1})
TiO_2 nanobelt	32.654
TiO_2 nanobelt treated with acid corrosion	41.791
Bi_2O_3	8.619
$\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}$	6.786
$\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}/\text{TiO}_2$ at 300 °C	50.617
$\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}/\text{TiO}_2$ at 500 °C	47.02
$\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}/\text{TiO}_2$ at 600 °C	27.589

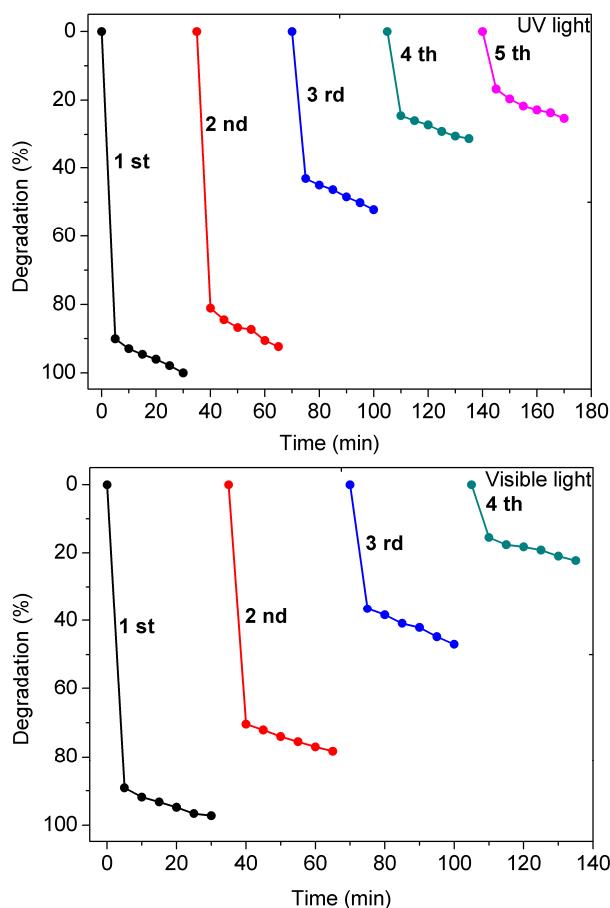


Figure S3. Photocatalytic degradation of MeO in the presence of the $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_2/\text{TiO}_2$ double-heterostructured nanobelt obtained at 500 °C with 6:1 $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{TiO}_2$ weight ratio during repeated photocatalytic experiments under UV and visible light irradiation.

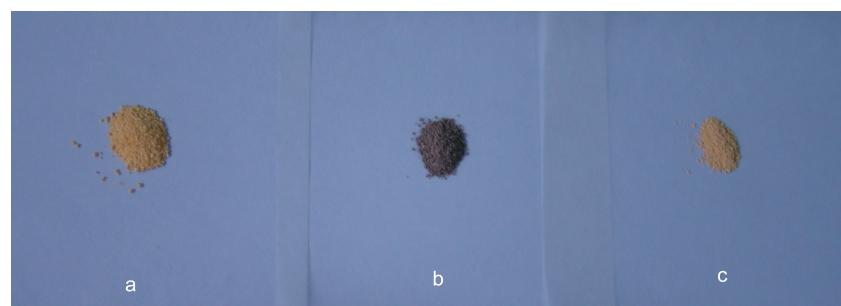


Figure S4. Photographs of (a) the $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_2/\text{TiO}_2$ double-heterostructured prepared at 500 °C with 6:1 $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{TiO}_2$ weight ratio, (b) the above double-heterostructured nanobelt repeatedly used for four times under UV light irradiation and (c) the dark green double-heterostructured nanobelt re-annealed at 400 °C.

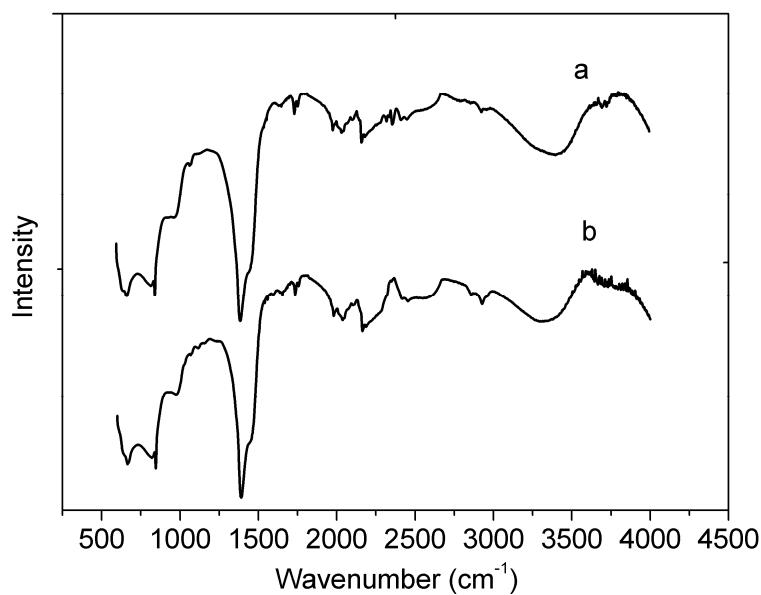


Figure S5. The infrared spectrum of (a) the $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_2/\text{TiO}_2$ double-heterostructured prepared at 500 °C with 6:1 $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{TiO}_2$ weight ratio and (b) the above double-heterostructured nanobelt repeatedly used for four times under UV light irradiation.

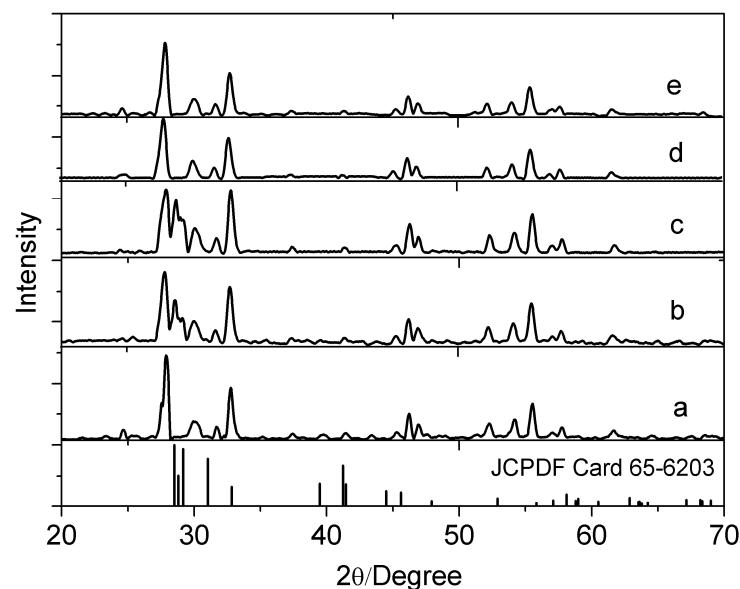


Figure S6. XRD patterns of (a) the $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Bi}_4\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_2/\text{TiO}_2$ double-heterostructured prepared at 500 °C with 6:1 $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3/\text{TiO}_2$ weight ratio, (b) and (c) the above double-heterostructured nanobelt repeatedly used for four times under UV light and visible light irradiation, respectively, (d) and (e) re-annealed sample at 400 °C.

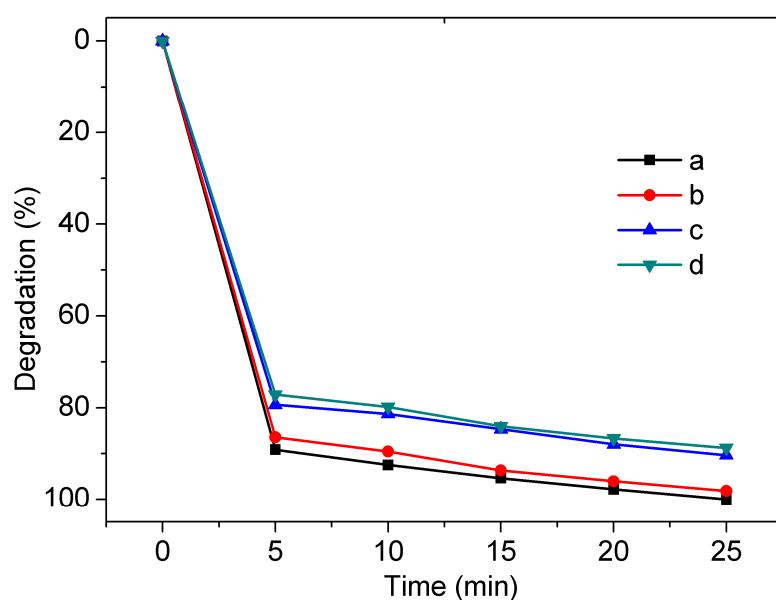


Figure S7. The photocatalytic degradation of MO in the presence of the re-newed double-heterostructured nanobelts by a heat-treatment at 400°C, under (a) UV light and (b) visible light irradiation, and photocatalytic degradation of MO in the presence of the re-newed double-heterostructured nanobelts by a hydrogen peroxide, under (c) UV light and (d) visible light irradiation.