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Highly photoactive SnO₂ nanostructures engineered by electrochemically a ctive biofilm

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Schematic representation of modification process of pure SnO₂ (p-SnO₂) nanostructures

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Fig. S1. Schematic representation of the SnO_2 nanostructures modification by electrochemical

ly active biofilm.

Adsorption-desorption equilibrium spectra of 4-NP only, 4-NP with *p*-SnO₂ and 4-NP w ith *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S2. Adsorption-desorption equilibrium spectra of 4-NP only, 4-NP with p-SnO₂ and 4-N P with m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Adsorption-desorption equilibrium spectra of MB only, MB with p-SnO₂ and MB with m-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S3. Adsorption-desorption equilibrium spectra of MB only, MB with p-SnO₂ and MB wi th *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Dark reaction (with catalyst, 3 h) spectra of 4-NP only, 4-NP with *p*-SnO₂ and 4-NP with *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S4. Dark reaction (with catalyst, 3 h) spectra of 4-NP only, 4-NP with p-SnO₂ and 4-NP with m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Dark reaction (with catalyst, 3 h) spectra of MB only, MB with p-SnO₂ and MB with m-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S5. Dark reaction (with catalyst, 3 h) spectra of MB only, MB with p-SnO₂ and MB with m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Light reaction (without catalyst, 3 h) spectra of 4-NP only, 4-NP with *p*-SnO₂ and 4-NP with *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S6. Light reaction (without catalyst, 3 h) spectra of 4-NP only, 4-NP with p-SnO₂ and 4-NP with m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Light reaction (without catalyst, 3 h) spectra of MB only, MB with *p*-SnO₂ and MB with *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S7. Light reaction (without catalyst, 3 h) spectra of MB only, MB with p-SnO₂ and MB with m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

UV-vis diffuse reflectance spectra of the *p*-SnO₂ and *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S8. UV-vis diffuse reflectance spectra of the p-SnO₂ and m-SnO₂ nnanostructures.

XPS survey spectra of the *p*-SnO₂ and *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S9. XPS survey spectra of the p-SnO₂ and m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

SAED patterns of the p-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S10. SAED patterns of the *p*-SnO₂ nanostructures.

SAED patterns of the *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S11. SAED patterns of the m-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Acquire HAADF of the *p*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S12. Representative HAADF FE-TEM image of the *p*-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Acquire HAADF of the *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S13. Representative HAADF FE-TEM image of the *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures.

EDX of the *p*-SnO₂ nanostructures



Fig. S14. EDX of the *p*-SnO₂ nanostructures.

EDX of the *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures







Reaction kinetics of the degradation of 4-NP and MB

Fig. S16. Kinetics and linear fit spectra for the degradation of (a) 4-NP and, (b) MB with *p*-S nO_2 and *m*-SnO₂ nanostructures.

Photocatalyst	Dye	k (h ⁻¹)	R ²
<i>p</i> -SnO ₂	4-NP	0.0714	0.9995
<i>m</i> -SnO ₂	4-NP	0.2081	0.9710
<i>p</i> -SnO ₂	MB	0.0481	0.9966
<i>m</i> -SnO ₂	MB	0.2157	0.9722

Table S1. Pseudo-first order rate constants