

Supporting Information

Na₂V₆O₁₆•xH₂O Nanoribbons: Large-Scale Synthesis and Visible-light Photocatalytic Activity of CO₂ into Solar Fuels

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Loading the Co-catalysts: The loading of Pt was performed by a photocatalytic reduction method. $\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ was used for the source of Pt. Typically, 0.2 g photocatalyst, 40 mL distilled water, 15 mL CH_3OH and a given amount of $\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ were placed in a glass vessel. The reactant solution was irradiated by a 300W Xe arc lamp for 8 h with stirring. Then, the photocatalyst with co-catalysts was filtered, washed thoroughly with deionized water and alcohol, dried at 60 °C for 12h. The loading of RuO_2 was performed by impregnating photocatalyst powders with the solution of ruthenium complex, $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ (Aldrich Chemical Co., 99% pure) in tetrahydrofuran (THF). The impregnated samples were stirred for 4 h, dried at 60°C and oxidized at 350°C in air for 1 h to convert ruthenium complex species to ruthenium oxide. For the co-loading of Pt and RuO_2 on $\text{Na}_2\text{V}_6\text{O}_{16}$, the loading of RuO_2 was performed firstly and then Pt was loaded according to above methods.

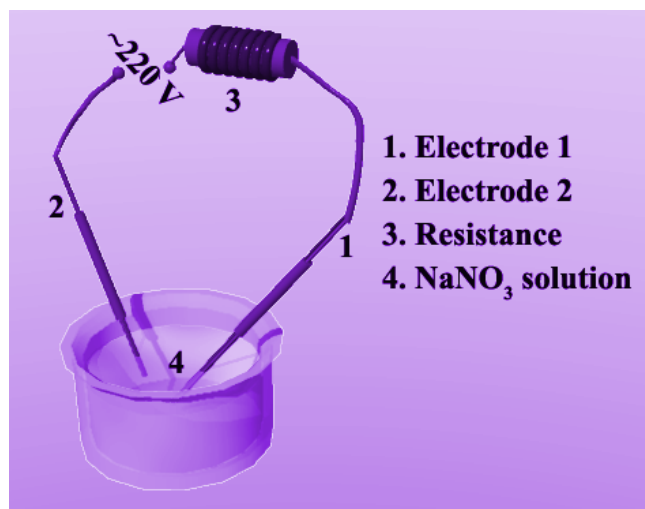


Figure S11 Schematic setup of the SLPAD route.



Figure SI2 V precursor solution obtained through SLPAD route

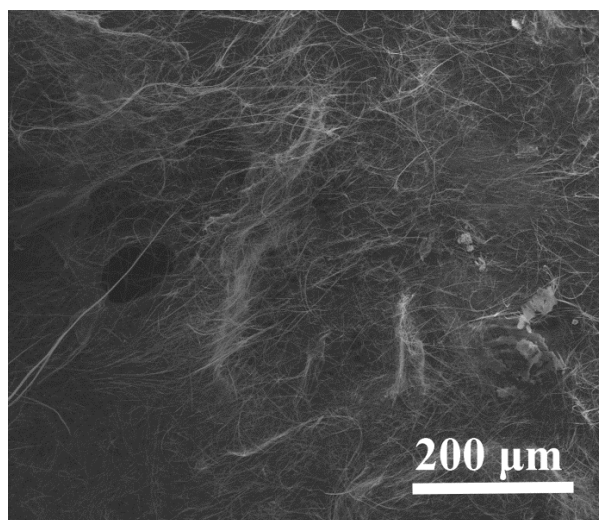


Figure SI3 SEM images of $\text{Na}_2\text{V}_6\text{O}_{16} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ nanoribbons.

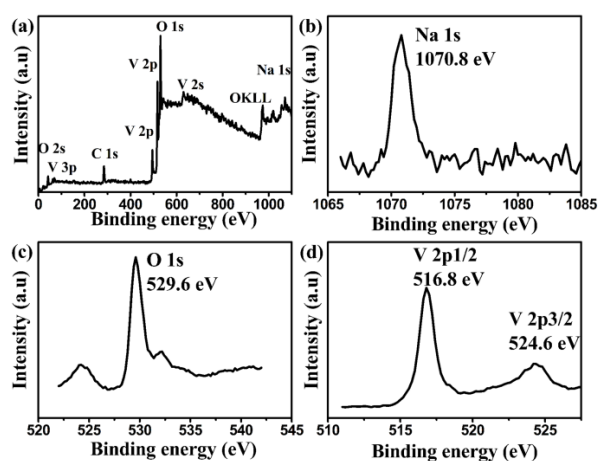


Figure SI4 XPS spectrum of the $\text{Na}_2\text{V}_6\text{O}_{16} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ nanoribbons (a) survey spectrum, (b) Na 1s peak, (c) O 1s peak, (d) V 2p peak

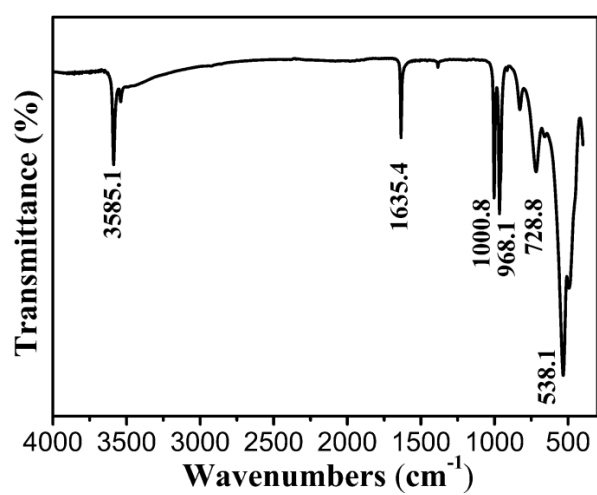


Figure SI5 FTIR spectra of Na₂V₆O₁₆•xH₂O nanoribbons.

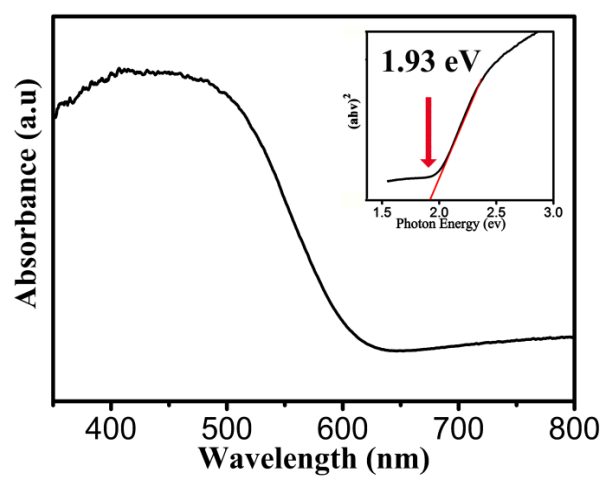


Figure SI6 UV-vis spectrum of the $\text{Na}_2\text{V}_6\text{O}_{16} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ nanoribbons. Top insert: the UV-vis Spectrum obtained by using the energy as abscissa.

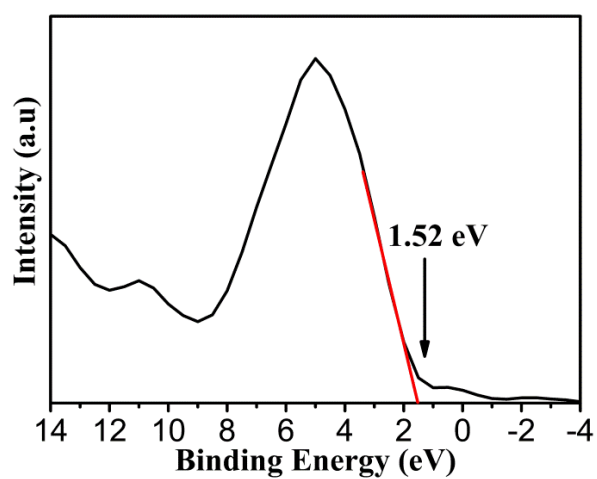


Figure SI7 Valence band XPS spectra of the $\text{Na}_2\text{V}_6\text{O}_{16} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ nanoribbons.

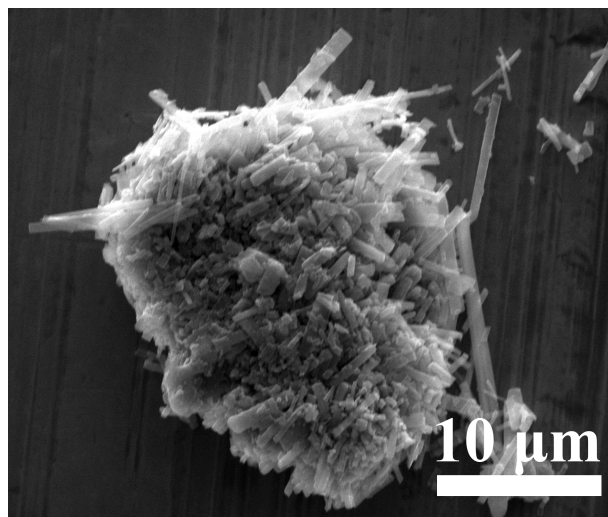


Figure SI8 SEM images of bulk sample

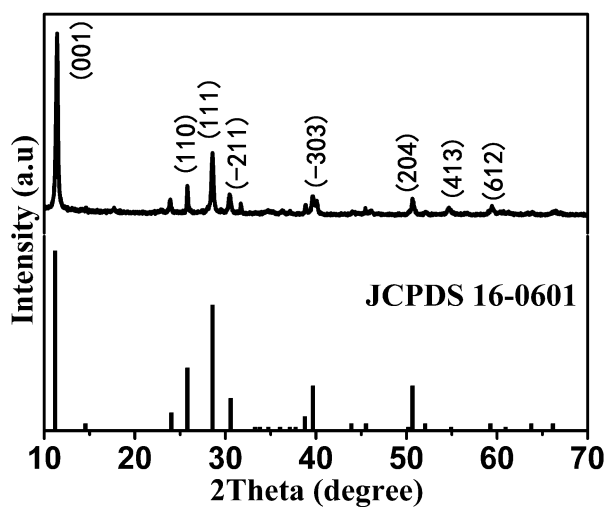


Figure SI9 XRD spectrum of bulk sample