## **Supplementary Information**

## ZIF-8/Zn<sub>2</sub>GeO<sub>4</sub> Nanorods with Enhanced CO<sub>2</sub> Adsorption Property in Aqueous Medium for Photocatalytic Synthesis of Liquid Fuel <sup>†</sup>

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Fig. S1 SEM images of Zn<sub>2</sub>GeO<sub>4</sub> nanorods at different magnifications.



Fig.S2 FE-SEM images of the  $Zn_2GeO_4/ZIF-8$  hybrid nanorods at different magnifications.



**Fig.S3** SEM images of ZIF-8 nanoparticles at different magnifications. The inset shows the TEM image of ZIF-8 nanoparticles.



**Fig.S4** FE-SEM images of the  $Zn_2GeO_4/ZIF-8$  hybrid nanorods prepared with different deposition time of ZIF-8: (a) 10 min, (b) 20 min, (c) 40 min, and (d) 60 min.



**Fig.S5** SEM images of  $Zn_2GeO_4$  nanorods prepared by fluoride ion (a) (b), and after in-situ growth of ZIF-8 (c)(d), indicating no ZIF-8 nanoparticles are formed.



**Fig. S6** Semi-log plot for nitrogen adsorption isotherms of the ZIF-8 and ZIF-8/Zn<sub>2</sub>GeO<sub>4</sub> composite. The nitrogen adsorption on Zn<sub>2</sub>GeO<sub>4</sub>/ZIF-8 is more gradual than that on ZIF-8, especially at low relative pressures. This is because (1) the composite contains only 25% ZIF-8, and (2) ZIF-8 nanocrystals grown on Zn<sub>2</sub>GeO<sub>4</sub> are much smaller than the ZIF-8 crystals freely grown in the solution; much faster gas transport occurs in nanoparticles.



**Fig.S7** UV-vis absorption spectra of (a)  $Zn_2GeO_4$  nanorods, (b)  $Zn_2GeO_4/ZIF-8$  hybrid nanorods, and (c) pure ZIF-8.



Fig.S8 (a)TEM and (b)HRTEM images of 1 wt % Pt-loaded  $Zn_2GeO_4/ZIF$ -8 hybrid

nanocrods



**Fig.S9** Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of  $Zn_2GeO_4/ZIF-8$  hybrid nanorods (a) before and (b) after the photocatalytic reaction.