Electronic Supplementary Information

One-step Preparation of Iodine-doped Graphitic Carbon Nitride Nanosheets as Efficient Photocatalysts for Visible Light Water Splitting

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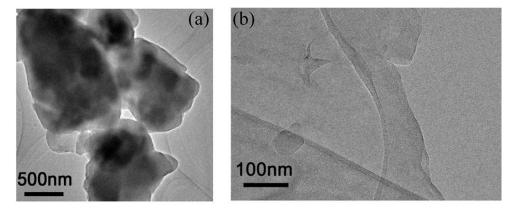


Fig. S1 TEM image of bulk GCN (a) and high-resolution TEM image of IGCNSs_{1/2} (b). The scale bars are 500 nm for (a) and 100 nm for (b), respectively.

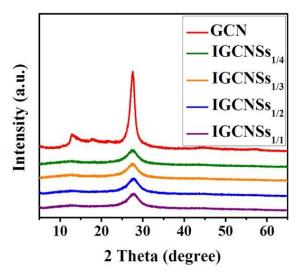


Fig. S2 XRD patterns of the bulk GCN, IGCNSs_{1/4}, IGCNSs_{1/3}, IGCNSs_{1/2} and IGCNSs_{1/1}.

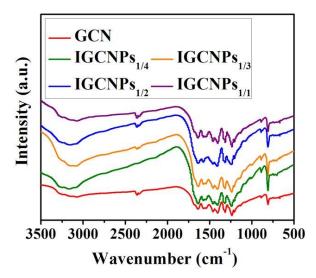


Fig. S3 IR spectra of the bulk GCN, IGCNSs_{1/4}, IGCNSs_{1/3}, IGCNSs_{1/2} and IGCNSs_{1/1}.

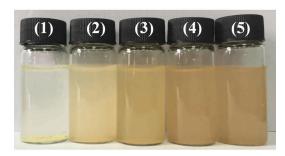


Fig. S4 Photographs of bulk GCN (1), $IGCNSs_{1/4}(2)$, $IGCNSs_{1/3}(3)$, $IGCNSs_{1/2}(4)$ and $IGCNSs_{1/1}(5)$ dispersed solutions in water with concentrations of 0.1 mg mL⁻¹ after one month under ambient conditions.

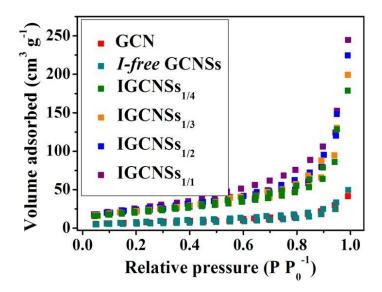


Fig. S5 Nitrogen adsorption–desorption isotherms of the bulk GCN, *I-free* GCNSs, IGCNSs_{1/4}, IGCNSs_{1/3}, IGCNSs_{1/2} and IGCNSs_{1/1}.

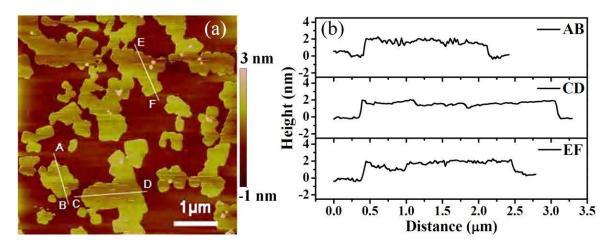


Fig. S6 (a) AFM image of IGCNSs $_{1/2}$ on the Si substrate. (b) Height profile along the line in (a). The scale bar is 1 μ m.

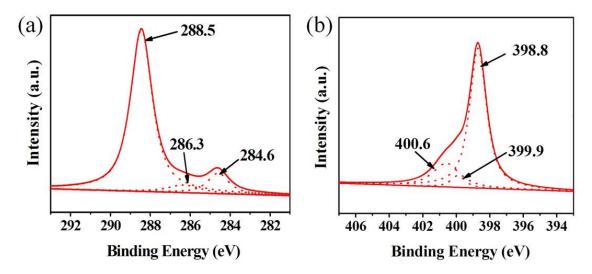


Fig. S7 High-resolution XPS spectra of C 1s (a) and N 1s (b) for the bulk GCN.

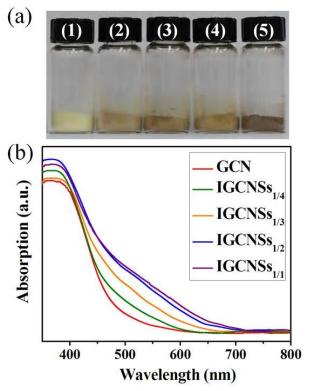


Fig. S8 (a) Color of bulk GCN (1), $IGCNSs_{1/4}$ (2), $IGCNSs_{1/3}$ (3), $IGCNSs_{1/2}$ (4) and $IGCNSs_{1/1}$. (5). (b) UV-Vis diffuse reflection spectra of the aforementioned samples.

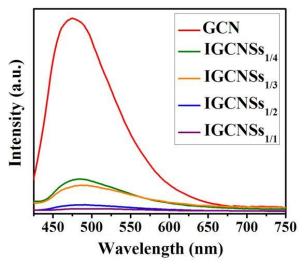


Fig. S9 PL spectra of bulk GCN, IGCNSs $_{1/4}$, IGCNSs $_{1/3}$, IGCNSs $_{1/2}$ and IGCNSs $_{1/1}$ with the excitation wavelength of 380 nm.