Supporting Information

Synthesis and characterization of ytterbium doped TiO₂ hollow spheres with enhanced visible-light photocatalytic activity

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1. Reaction device of photocatalytic evaluation



Fig. S1 Reaction device of photocatalytic evaluation





Fig. S2. (101) diffraction peak of each samples

3. Crystalline grain sizes of Yb-TiO₂HS with difference Yb doped ratios



Fig. S3 Crystalline grain sizes of Yb-TiO₂HS with difference Yb doped ratios





Fig. S4 FT-IR spectra of samples



5. N₂ adsorption-desorption (a, b) and the pore size distribution (c, d) curves of samples

Fig. S5 N₂ adsorption-desorption (a, b) and the pore size distribution (c, d) curves of

samples

6. UV-DRS spectra of samples



Fig. S6 UV-DRS spectra of samples



7. K-M function transformed spectra of samples

Fig. S7. K-M function transformed spectra of each samples are calculated by Kubelka–Munk

Function (K-M Function) method.

8. Luminescence spectra of samples



Fig. S8 Luminescence spectra of samples



9. Cycles of the photocatalytic activity of MO in the presence of 1%Yb-TiO₂HS

Fig. S9 Cycles of the photocatalytic activity of MO in the presence of 1%Yb-TiO₂HS