# Synergetic polarization effect of protonation and Fe-doping toward g-C $\mathbf{C}_{3} \mathbf{N}_{4}$ with enhanced photocatalytic activity 

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## Additional figures and tables.



Figure S1. (A) The morphology and EDX-mapping images of $\mathrm{C}(\mathrm{B}), \mathrm{N}(\mathrm{C}), \mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{D})$ and $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{Fe}$ elements for the as-prepared $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$ photocatalyst.


Figure S2. EDX patterns of as-prepared H-CN@Fe

Table S1. EDX element composition of as-prepared H-CN@Fe

| Element | wt. $\%$ | at. $\%$ | Error |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{K}$ | 53.12 | 58.09 | 2.56 |
| $\mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{K}$ | 43.96 | 41.22 | 2.27 |
| $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{K}$ | 2.92 | 0.69 | 0.34 |

Table S2. The fitting results of EIS curves for $\mathrm{CN}, \mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}, \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN}, \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$. Rs and Rct represents the solution resistance and the charge transfer resistance across the electrode-solution interface.

| Sample | Rs $(\Omega)$ | Rct $(\Omega)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| CN | 4.39 | $6.22 \times 10^{4}$ |
| $\mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$ | 3.92 | $5.08 \times 10^{4}$ |
| $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN}$ | 3.79 | $4.58 \times 10^{4}$ |
| H-CN@Fe | 3.63 | $4.55 \times 10^{4}$ |



Figure S3. (A) Fluorescence spectra of TAOH solution over H-CN@Fe; (B) the PL intensity versus reaction time over CN, H-CN, CN@Fe and H-CN@Fe.


Figure S4. $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ adsorption-desorption curves of $\mathrm{CN}, \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN}, \mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$ and $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$ catalysts (inset: Barrett-Joyner-Halenda (BJH) based pore distribution analyses).

Table S3. The texture characteristics of prepared CN, H-CN, CN@Fe and H-CN@Fe catalysts.

| Catalyst | $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{BET}}$ <br> $\left(\mathrm{m}^{2} / \mathrm{g}\right)$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{p}}$ <br> $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{3} / \mathrm{g}\right)$ | $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{p}}$ <br> $(\mathrm{nm})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CN | 9.74 | 0.078 | 30.62 |
| $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN}$ | 10.44 | 0.088 | 30.97 |
| $\mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$ | 21.10 | 0.14 | 26.26 |
| $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{CN} @ \mathrm{Fe}$ | 14.75 | 0.090 | 23.22 |

