supplementary information

Visible-light driven p-n heterojunction formed between α -Bi₂O₃ and Bi₂O₂CO₃ for efficient photocatalytic degradation of tetracycline

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Figure S1. Polymer-modified Bi₂O₂CO₃ with various molar ratios (polymer/Bi₂O₂CO₃) calcined at 400 °C.



Figure S2. Thermogravimetric analysis curve of the precures



Figure S3. O 1s high resolution XPS spectrum of BO-400 and BOC@PAN-140



Figure S4. C 1s high resolution XPS spectrum of BO-400



Figure S5. C 1s high resolution XPS spectrum of BOC@PAN-140



Figure S6. SEM images of (a) BO-300, (b) BO-300@PAN-140, (c) BO-400@PAN-100, (d) BO-400@PAN-180



Figure S7. Kinetic fitting curves of Bi₂O₂CO₃, BO-400, BO-400@PAN-10, BO-400@PAN-100, BO-400@PAN-140 and BO-400@PAN-180 degradation TC.



Figure S8. Kinetic fitting curves of Bi₂O₂CO₃, BO-250, BO-350, BO-400, BO-250@PAN-

140, BO-350@PAN-140 and BO-350@PAN-140 degradation TC.



Figure S9. TOC measurement of TC solution degraded by BO-400@PAN-140 at fixed time

intervals.



Figure S10. VB-XPS spectra of $Bi_2O_2CO_3$ (a) and α -Bi₂O₃ (b).

| Samples | Calculated VB position E _{VB} (eV) | Calculated CB position E_{CB} (eV) | Band gap Eg (eV) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Bi ₂ O ₂ CO ₃ | 3.22 | 0.26 | 2.96 |
| α-Bi ₂ O ₃ | 3.03 | 0.38 | 2.65 |

Table S1. Band positions and band gaps of $Bi_2O_2CO_3$ and α - Bi_2O_3



Figure S11. Effect of different quench agents on photocatalytic degradation of TC by photocatalytic composites.



Figure S12. ESI-MS signals of the intermediates with BO-400@PAN-140 composite as photocatalyst.