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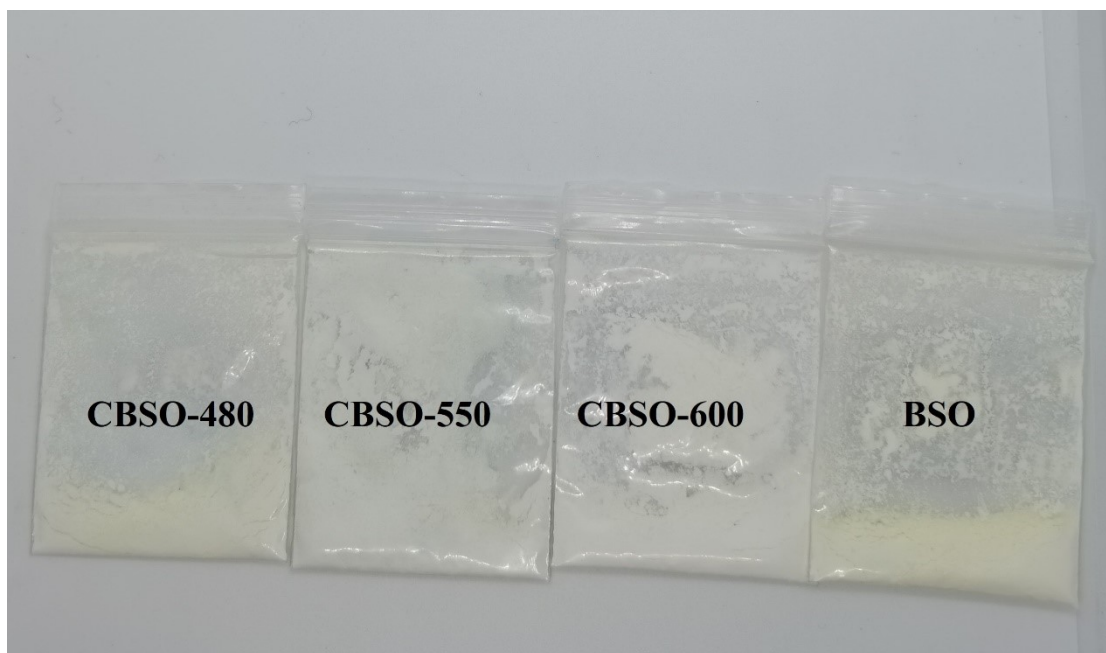
**Cellulose-templated Bi<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub> nanorods with enhanced UV/Vis light utilization for high-performance photocatalytic degradation of organic contaminants**

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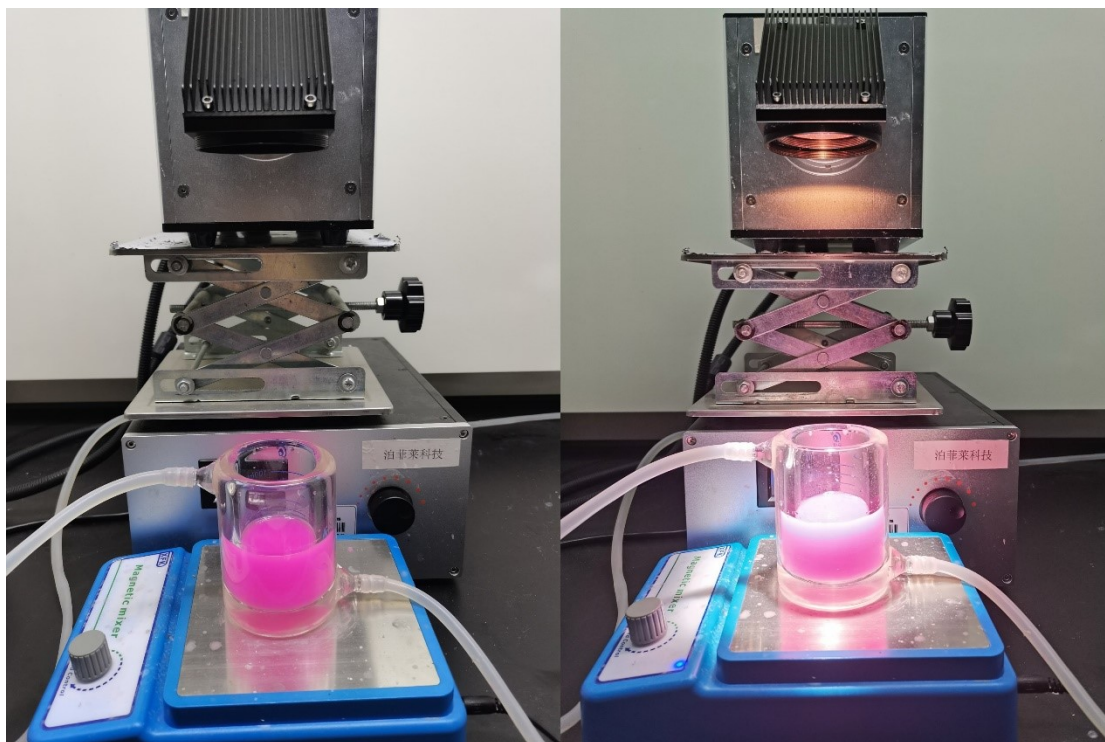
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**Fig. S1** The digital photograph of the photocatalysts.



**Fig. S2** Experimental apparatuses for RhB degradation (Left: light off; Right: light on.).

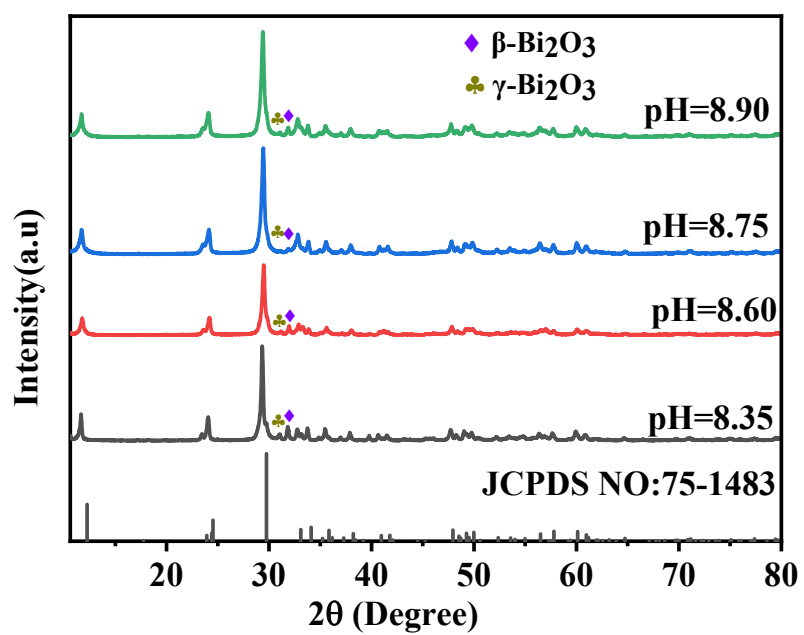
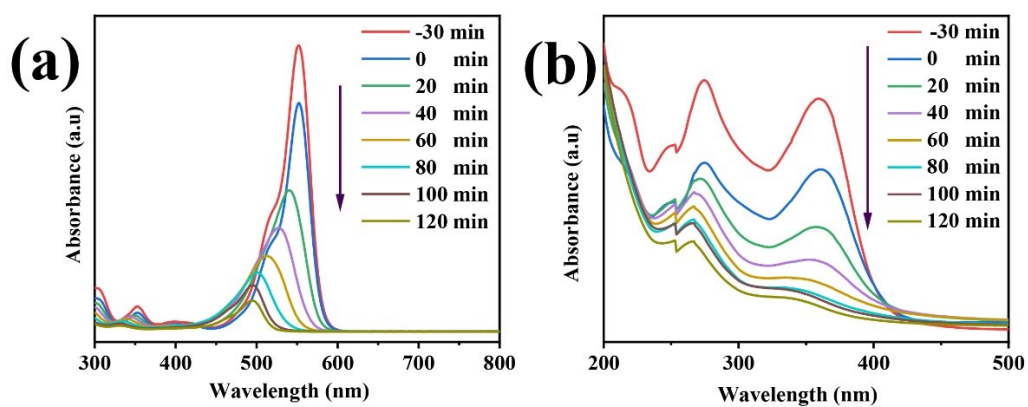


Fig. S3 XRD patterns of CBSO samples prepared with different pH values.



**Fig. S4** UV-Vis absorption spectra of (a) RhB and (b) TC in the presence of the CBOS-600 under visible light.

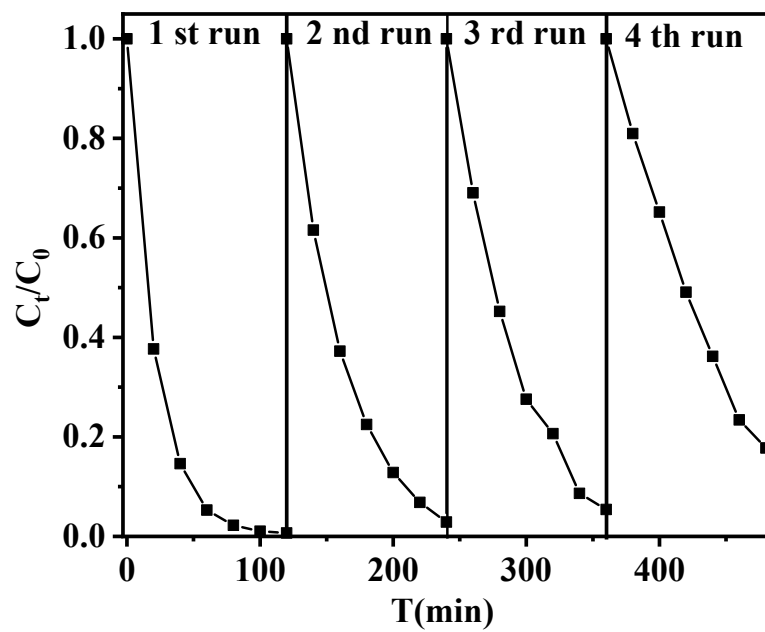


Fig. S5 The reusability of the CBOS-600 catalyst.

**Table S1** The FWHM and crystal size of Bi<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub> crystal

Crystal Face	Photocatalysts	2 Theta/degree	FWHM	Crystal size/nm*
(311)	CBSO	29.38	0.35	24.20
	BSO	29.38	0.29	29.31

\*The crystal size was calculated with the Scherrer formula:

$$D = K\lambda/\beta\cos\theta$$

where D is crystalline size, K is a constant (0.9),  $\lambda$  represents the wavelength of the incident X-rays (1.5406 Å),  $\beta$  is the full width at half maximum (FWHM) and  $\theta$  is the Bragg angle for the diffraction peaks.

**Table S2** Structural parameters of the BSO and CBSO.

<b>Samples</b>	<b>BET (m<sup>2</sup>.g<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>Pore volume (cm<sup>3</sup>.g<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>Average pore size (nm)</b>
<b>BSO</b>	20.775	0.148	7.264
<b>CBSO-600</b>	50.143	0.207	3.007
<b>Bi<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub>/Bi<sub>12</sub>SiO<sub>20</sub><sup>1</sup></b>	20.7	0.05	4.4
<b>Bi<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub><sup>2</sup></b>	44.7	0.32	28.8
<b>OVs-Bi<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub><sup>3</sup></b>	44.2	0.24	10.9



**Table S3** Comparison of RhB degradation using various photocatalysts.

Ref	Photocatalyst	Catalyst dosage (g/L)	Concentration (mg/L)	Reaction Time (min)	Degradation (%)	Light source
This work	Bi <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub> nanoparticles	2	100	120	99.88	Xenon lamp, 300 W Vis
		2	100	60	100	Xenon lamp, 300 W UV+Vis
4	Bi <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub> /Bi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	0.5	10	60	99.2	Xenon lamp, 500 W Vis
5	C-WO <sub>3</sub>	0.5	20	180	95	Xenon lamp, 300 W Vis+UV
6	Fe-g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	0.4	10	150	100	Xenon lamp, 300 W Vis
7	Au-SiO <sub>2</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	1	10	90	99.8	Xenon lamp, 150 W Vis
8	P-ZnO	0.5	5	180	100	Halogen lamp, 300 W Vis
9	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /SiO <sub>2</sub> /TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.5	20	180	92.8	Xenon lamp, 300 W UV

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10	TiO <sub>2</sub> /WO <sub>3-x</sub>	1.5	10	100	97.4	Xenon lamp, 500 W Vis
11	TiO <sub>2</sub> /ZnO-g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	0.5	5	120	99.6	Mercury lamps 19 W UV
12	ZnO-SiO <sub>2</sub>	0.5	7.2	60	74	UV lamp, 300 W UV
13	TiO <sub>2</sub>	1	10	60	95	UV lamp, 7 W UV
14	B/W-TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.4	5	60	90.4	Xenon lamp, 500 W Sunlight
15	ZnO/G/C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	1	10	80	100	Xenon lamp, 200 W Vis
16	WO <sub>3</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	0.5	5	90	91	Tungsten lamp, 500 W Sunlight

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