## **Supplementary Material**

## Synthesis of small size lead-free Cs<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>2x</sub>Sb<sub>2-2x</sub>Br<sub>9</sub> solid-solutions using a spatially confined growth method for efficient photocatalytic CO<sub>2</sub> reduction

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Fig. S1. Optimization of catalyst dosage.



Fig. S2. The digital photographs of quartz sheets with different catalyst loading.



Fig. S3. XRD patterns of bulk CBB and CSB.



**Fig. S4.** The XRD patterns of bulk CBB, CSB and CBSB-X solid solutions (X = 0.1, 0.3, 0.5 and 0.7).



Fig. S5. SEM images of (a) CBSB-0.1, (b) CBSB-0.3, (c) CBSB-0.5, and (d) CBSB-0.7.



Fig. S6. The small-angle XRD patterns of the MCM-41 and a series of MCM-41@CBSB-0.3 with different weight ratios.



Fig. S7. The calculated optical absorption of bulk (a) CSB, (b) CBB, (c) CBSB-0.3, and (d) 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.



**Fig. S8.** SEM of (a) bulk CBSB-0.3 and (b) CBSB-0.3 nanoparticles. (c) The XRD patterns and (d) The photocatalytic performances of the bulk CBSB-0.3, CBSB-0.3 nanoparticles, and 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.



**Fig. S9.** UV-vis diffuse reflectance spectra of 50% MCM-41+CBSB-0.3 samples with different sizes.



Fig. S10. SEM images of (a) MCM-41, (b) 30% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3, (c) 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3, (d) 70% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.



Fig. S11. TEM images of (a) 30% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3, (b) 70% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.



Fig. S12. The high-resolution XPS spectra of (a) Cs 3d, (b) Bi 4f, (c) Sb 3d, and (d) Br 3d of the 50% MCM-41@CBB, 50% MCM-41@CSB, and 50%



Fig. S13. The high-resolution XPS spectra of (a) Cs 3d, (b) Bi 4f, (c) Sb 3d, (d) Br 3d,(e) Si 2p, and (f) O 1s of MCM-41, bulk CBSB-0.3, and 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.



**Fig. S14.** The photocatalytic performance of CBSB-0.3 and series molecular sieves@CBSB-0.3.



**Fig. S15.** Retention time distribution of different products detected by the thermal conductivity cell detector channel of GC after light irradiation for 4 h.



Fig. S16.  $H_2$  production of 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3 during photocatalytic CO<sub>2</sub> reduction.

Sample	$S_{BET}(m^2~g^{-1})$	Average pore size (nm)		
CBSB-0.3	3.8	14.4		
30% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3	181.9	3.3		
50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3	220.3	3.4		
70% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3	506.1	2.9		
MCM-41	817.6	2.4		

**Table S1.** Comparison of the specific surface areas and average pore sizes ofCBSB-0.3, MCM-41, and a series of MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.

Catalysts	Reaction conditions	CO yield / $\mu$ mol $g^{-1} h^{-1}$	Light	Reference
CsPbBr <sub>3</sub> Qd	ethyl acetate/water (0.3%)	0.6	AM 1.5G	[1]
CsPbBr3@ZIF-67	Gas-solid	0.77	AM 1.5G	[2]
CsAgBiBr <sub>6</sub>	Ethyl acetate	2.3	AM 1.5G	[3]
$Cs_3Bi_2I_9$	Gas-solid	7.76	UV, 305nm	[4]
Fe(II)-doped CsPbBr <sub>3</sub>	Gas-solid	3.2	Xe lamp	[5]
$Cs_3Bi_2I_9/Bi_2WO_6$	Gas-solid	7.3	Xe lamp	[6]
g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /BiVO <sub>4</sub>	Gas-solid	1.75 Xe lamp, $\geq 400$ nm		[7]
NiAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Gas-solid	10.73	Xe lamp	[8]
BiO <sub>1-x</sub> Br/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Water	13.11	Xe lamp, ≥420nm	[9]
50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3	Gas-solid	11.2	Xe lamp, >420nm	This work

 Table S2. Comparison of the photocatalytic CO2 reduction reaction activity of

reported photocatalysts under different reaction conditions.



**Fig. S17.** Comparison of XRD patterns of 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3 sample before and after cycling reaction.



Fig. S18. (a) SEM images and (b) TEM images of 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3 after cycle.



Fig. S19. XPS spectra of (a) Cs 3d, (b) Bi 4f, (c) Sb, and (d) Br 3d of 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3 after cycle.



Fig. S20. (a) The CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherm curves of MCM-41, CBSB-0.3, and 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3. (b) CO<sub>2</sub>-TPD of CBSB-0.3 and 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.

Sample	$B_1$	$\tau_1$ (ns)	$B_2$	$\tau_2$ (ns)	$\tau_{average} \left( ns \right)$
CBSB-0.3	881.53	1.39	46.08	9.79	1.81
50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3	51.34	1.63	955.72	1.91	2.64

Table S3. Fitted PL decay parameters of CBSB-0.3 and 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.



Fig. S21. UPS valence band spectra of 50% MCM-41@CBSB-0.3.

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