

## Supplementary Information

### Constructing Cu defects band within TiO<sub>2</sub> and supporting NiOx nanoparticles for efficient CO<sub>2</sub> photoreduction

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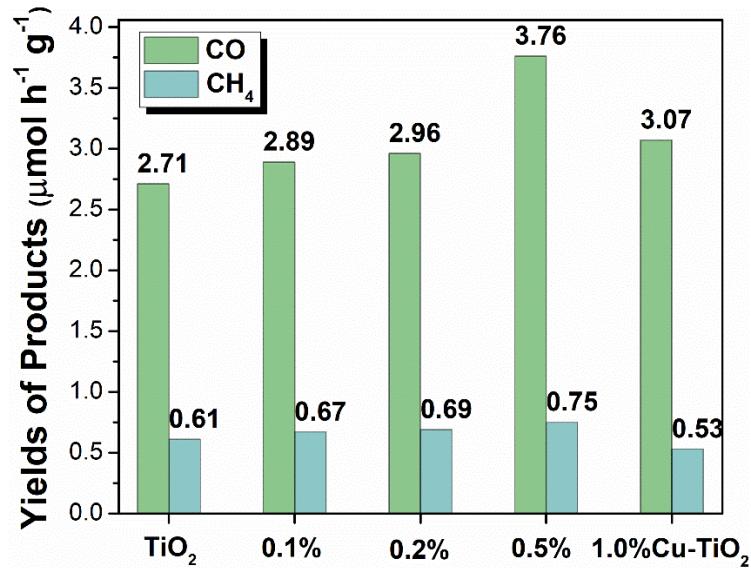
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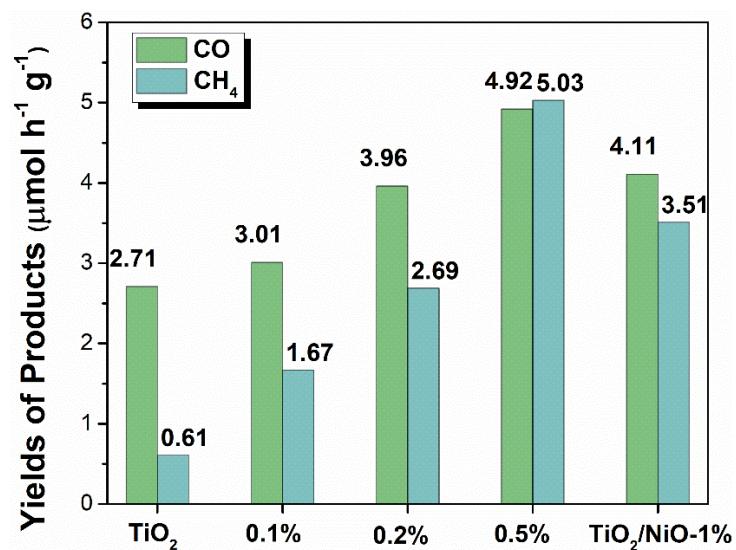
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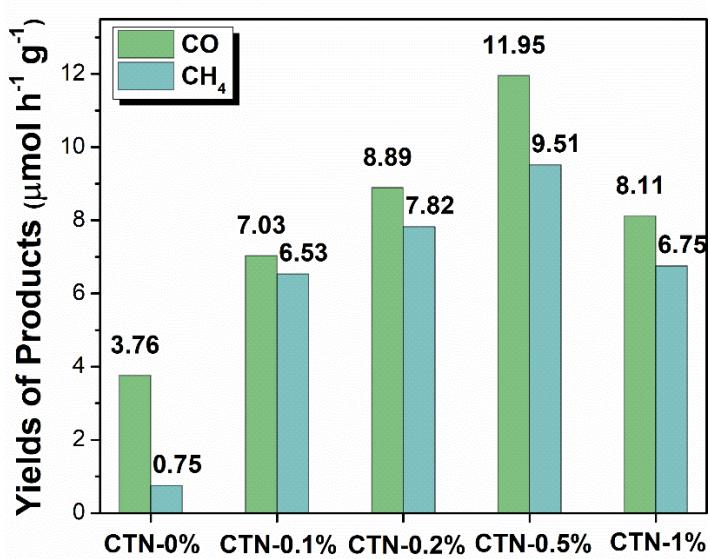
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**Fig. S1** Photocatalytic CO<sub>2</sub> reduction performance over Cu-TiO<sub>2</sub> composites with different loading ratios of Cu.

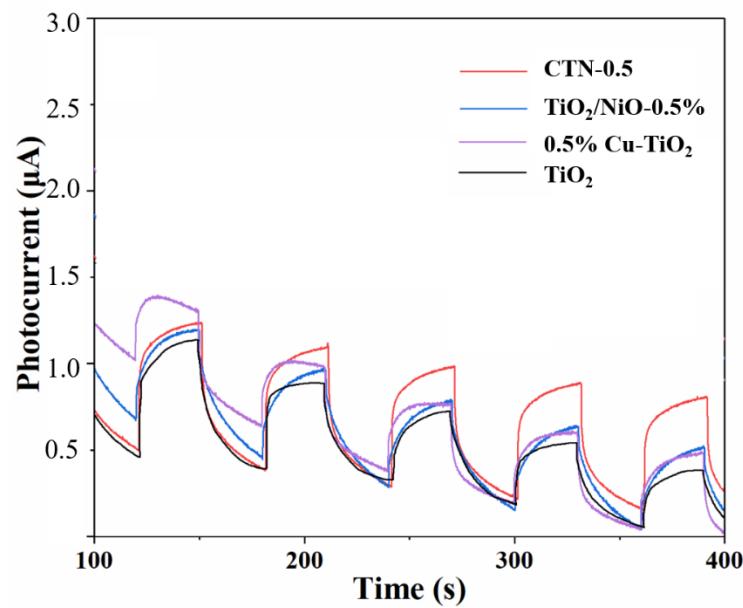


**Fig. S2** Photocatalytic  $\text{CO}_2$  reduction performance over  $\text{TiO}_2/\text{NiO}$  composites with different loading ratios of NiO.



**Fig. S3** Photocatalytic  $\text{CO}_2$  reduction performance over CTN composites with different loading

ratios of  $\text{NiO}$ .



**Fig. S4** Photocurrent behavior for prepared  $\text{TiO}_2$ , 0.5% Cu-TiO<sub>2</sub>,  $\text{TiO}_2/\text{NiO}-0.5\%$  and CTN-0.5.

**Tab. S1** Photocatalysts published in recent work used to photoreduction CO<sub>2</sub> to CH<sub>4</sub> performance.

Photocatalysts	Light source		Reaction solution	CO yields (μmol h <sup>-1</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	CH <sub>4</sub> yields (μmol h <sup>-1</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	AQE (%)
<b>This work</b>	<b>420 nm</b>	<b>300 W Xe lamp</b>	water	<b>11.85</b>	<b>9.51</b>	<b>0.64%</b>
AuCu-TiO <sub>2</sub> <sup>1</sup>	—	300 W Xe lamp	water	4.98	22.47	—
Cu <sub>2</sub> O/Ni-MOF <sup>2</sup>	—	300 W Xe lamp	water	21.7	—	—
Cu–Ni@CN <sup>3</sup>	420 nm	300W Xe lamp	water	—	75.2	0.82%
Cu <sub>2</sub> O/Ni-MOF <sup>4</sup>	—	300W Xe lamp	water	21.7	—	—
Ni/TiO <sub>2</sub> -OV <sub>2</sub> <sup>5</sup>	—	300W Xe lamp ( $\lambda > 420$ nm)	water	22.56	3.93	—
Cu/TiO <sub>2</sub> <sup>6</sup>	—	300W Xe lamp	water	15.27	0.98	—
MOF-808-CuNi <sup>7</sup>	420 nm	300W Xe lamp	[Ru(bpy) <sub>3</sub> ] Cl <sub>2</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O 20% TEOA acetonitrile	2.3	158.7	2.31

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