

**Selective photoreduction of carbon dioxide to formic acid using $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -
 Ir/IrO_x hybrid materials**

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Electronic Supplementary Information

Table S1. Iridium content analysis of catalyst samples by ICP-OES.

S. No	Sample	g	Wavelength (nm)	Dilution Factor
1	Cs ₃ Bi ₂ Cl ₉	0.0156	Bi-223.061	10
2	Cs ₃ Bi ₂ Cl ₉ - Ir/IrO _x	0.0157	Bi-223.061	10
		0.0157	Ir-205.222	1

Table S2. Fitting parameters for time resolved PL studies using a tri-exponential function.

Sample	τ_1 (ns)	A ₁	τ_2 (ns)	A ₂	τ_3 (ns)	A ₃
Cs ₃ Bi ₂ Cl ₉	3.85	33.84	12.36	31.04	0.52	35.12
Cs ₃ Bi ₂ Cl ₉ - Ir/IrO _x	4.55	28.05	13.17	19.06	0.46	52.89

Where A₁, A₂, and A₃ are relative amplitudes.

Table.S3. EDAX analysis of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$.

Element	Weight (%)	Atomic (%)
Cl K	26.82	62.75
Cs L	36.09	22.52
Bi M	37.09	14.72
Totals		100.00

Table.S4. EDAX analysis of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x.

Element	Weight (%)	Atomic (%)
Cl K	23.61	58.87
Cs L	35.74	23.76
Ir M	4.86	2.24
Bi M	35.79	15.14
Totals		100.00

Table S5. A comparison of data with other materials which belongs to same class.

Catalyst	Light source	Reaction mode	Product ($\mu\text{mol g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$)	Ref.
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$	300W Xe arc lamp	Gas-solid ($\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$)	CO-16.6 CO-26.9 CO-1.1	¹
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Br}_9$				
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9$				
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2(\text{Cl}_{0.5}\text{Br}_{0.5})_9$	300 W Xe arc lamp $\lambda > 420 \text{ nm}$	Gas-solid ($\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$)	CO-16 CO-18 CO-3.6	²
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2(\text{Br}_{0.5}\text{I}_{0.5})_9$				
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9$				
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9$	32 W UV-B (305 nm)	Gas-solid ($\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$)	CO-7.7, CH_4 -1.4 CO-1.8, CH_4 -1.7 CO-0.7, CH_4 -0.9	³
$\text{Rb}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9$				
$(\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3)_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9$				
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Br}_9$ (CBB)	300 W Xe lamp	Gas-solid ($\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$)	CO-150, CH_4 -11.5	⁴
3CBB/Bi-MOF			CO-572.2, CH_4 -32.5	
3CBB: Bi-MOF			CO-230, CH_4 -8.0	
Bi-MOF			CO-130, CH_4 -7.0	
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9$	300 W Xe arc lamp $\lambda > 400 \text{ nm}$	Gas-solid ($\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$)	CO-1.8	⁵
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9/\text{Bi}_2\text{WO}_6$			CO-7.3	
$\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{I}_9:\text{Bi}_2\text{WO}_6$			CO-2.5	
Bi_2WO_6			CO-0.2	
$\text{Cs}_2\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$	5 W UV Led	Acetonitrile + H_2O (99:1 vol%)	HCOOH-115.6 CO-53.8 CH_4 -6.7	This work
$\text{Cs}_2\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9\text{-Ir}/\text{IrO}_x$	5 W UV Led	Acetonitrile + H_2O (99:1 vol%)	HCOOH -168.2 CO-38 CH_4 -4.5	This work

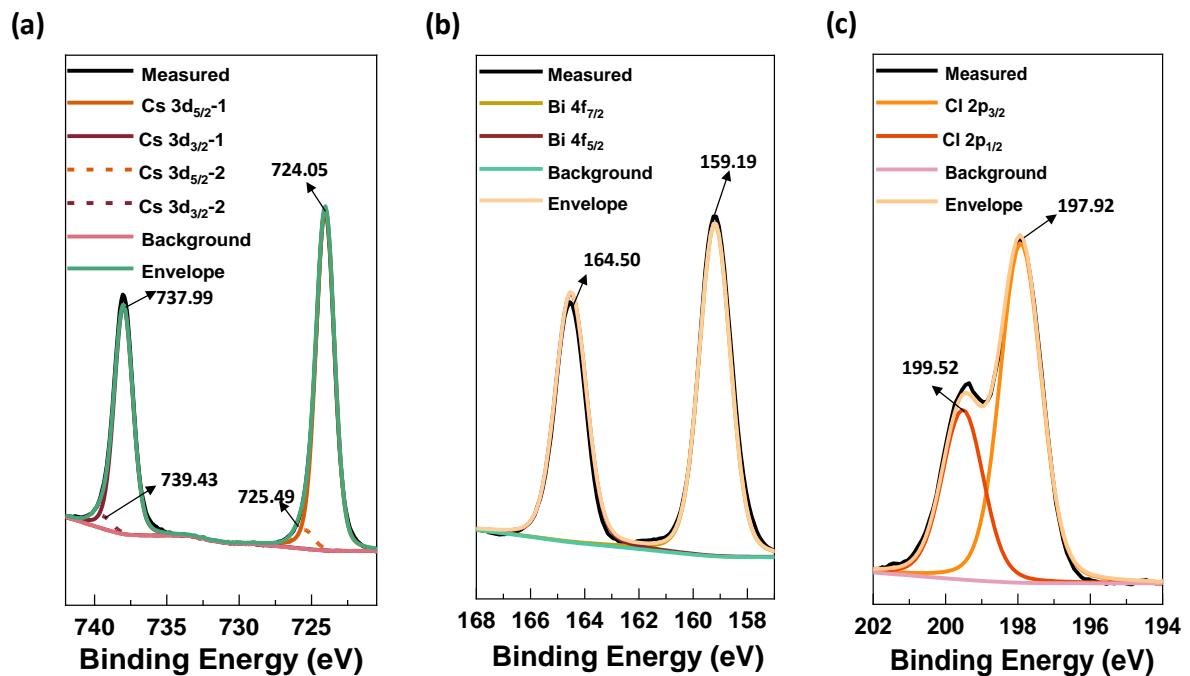


Figure S1. XPS analysis of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ before CO_2 photoreduction: (a) Cs 3d (b) Bi 4f (c) Cl 2p.

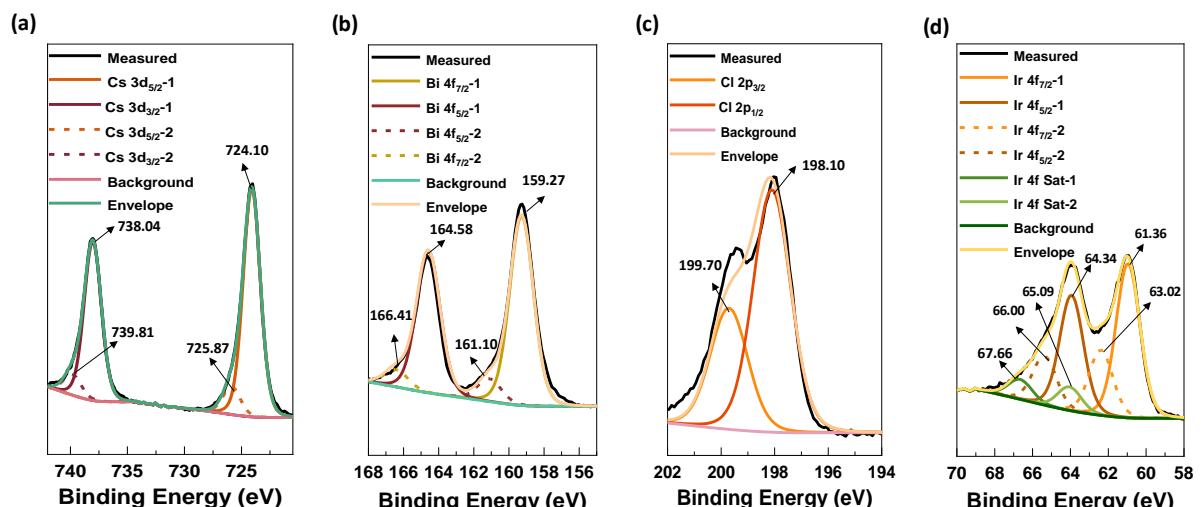


Figure S2. XPS analysis of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9\text{-IrO}_x$ before CO_2 photoreduction: (a) Cs 3d (b) Bi 4f (c) Cl 2p (d) Ir 4f.

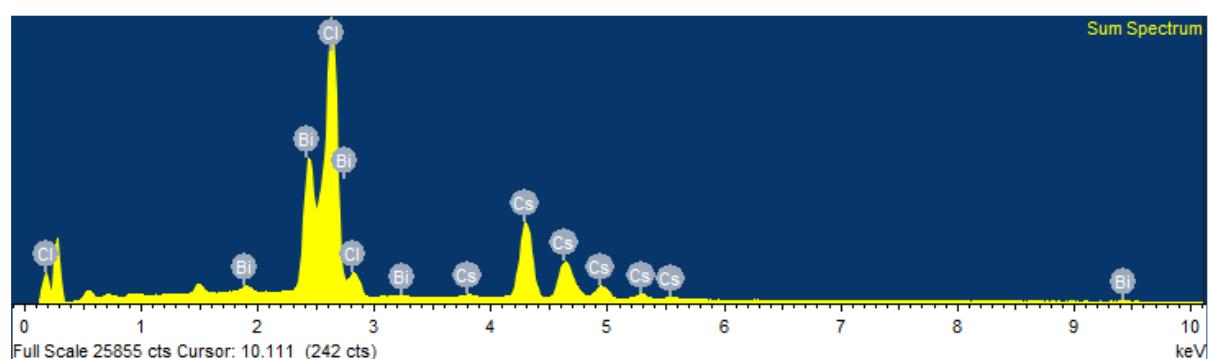


Figure S3. EDAX spectra of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$.

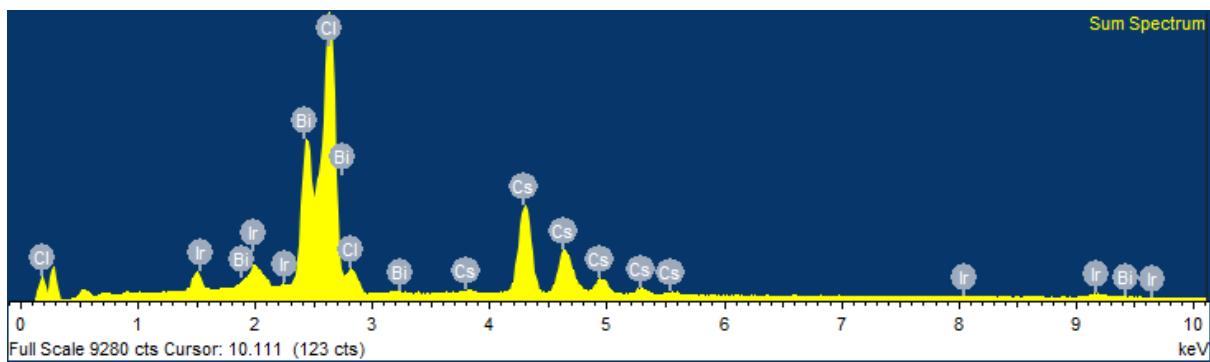


Figure S4. EDAX spectra of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x.

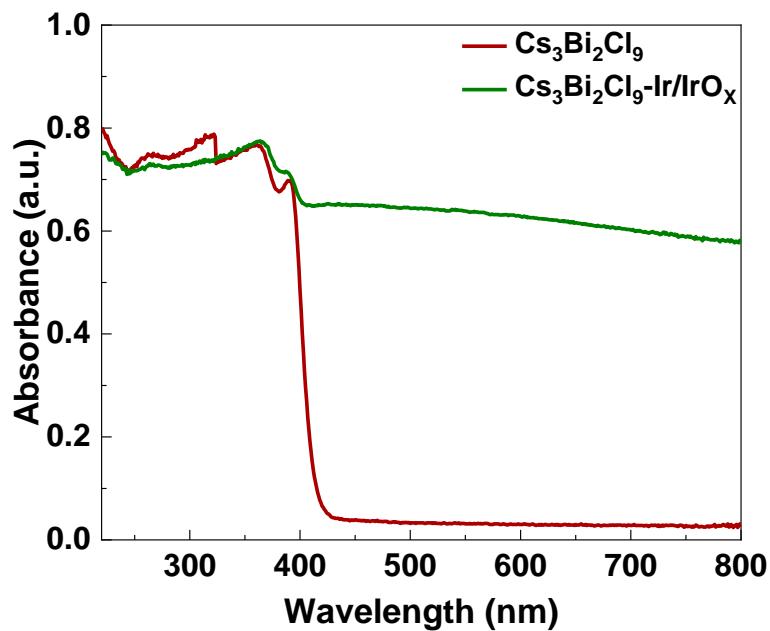


Figure S5. Absolute values of absorbance for $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ and $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x.

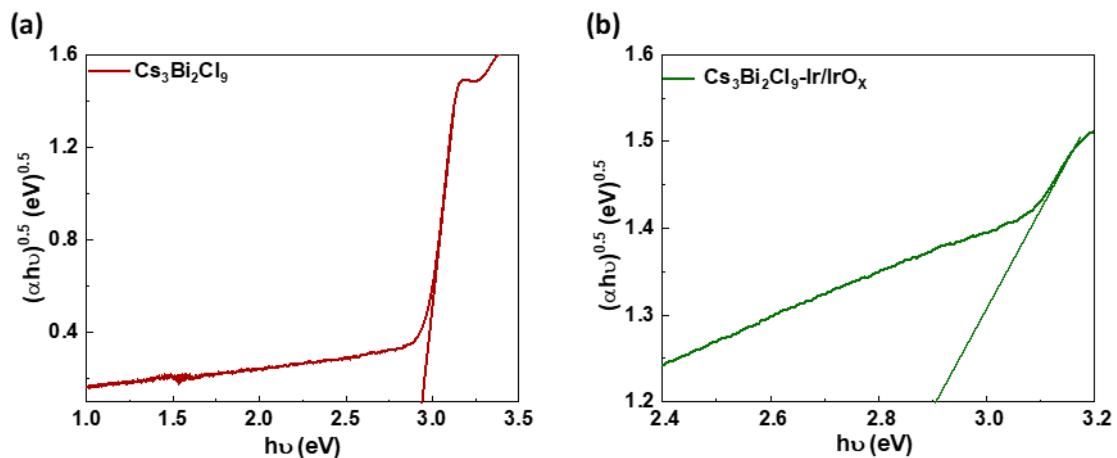


Figure S6. Tauc plot of (a) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ and (b) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x.

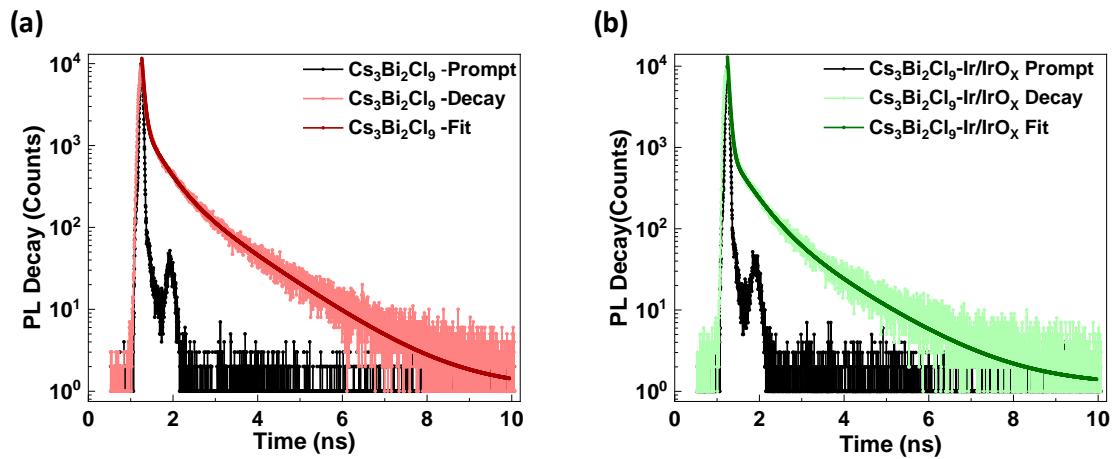


Figure S7. PL decay studies of (a) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ and (b) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9\text{-Ir}/\text{IrO}_x$.

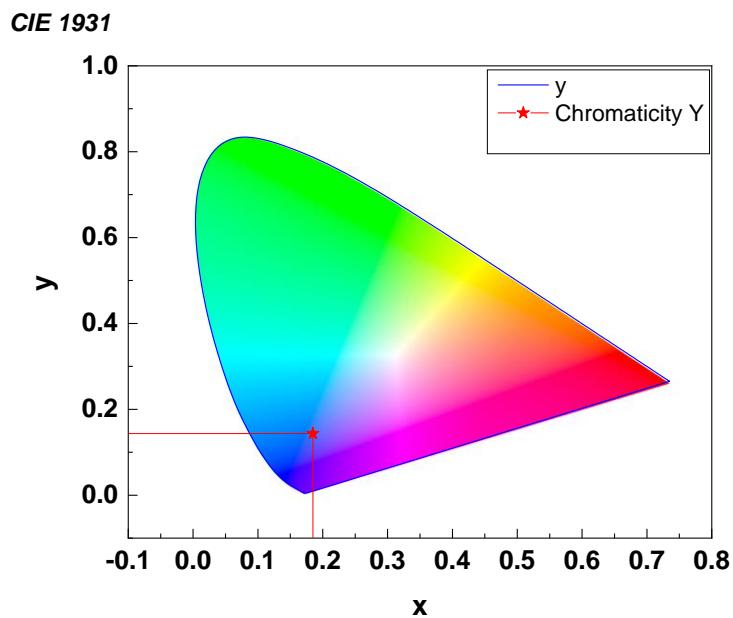


Figure S8. CIE color coordinates of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$.

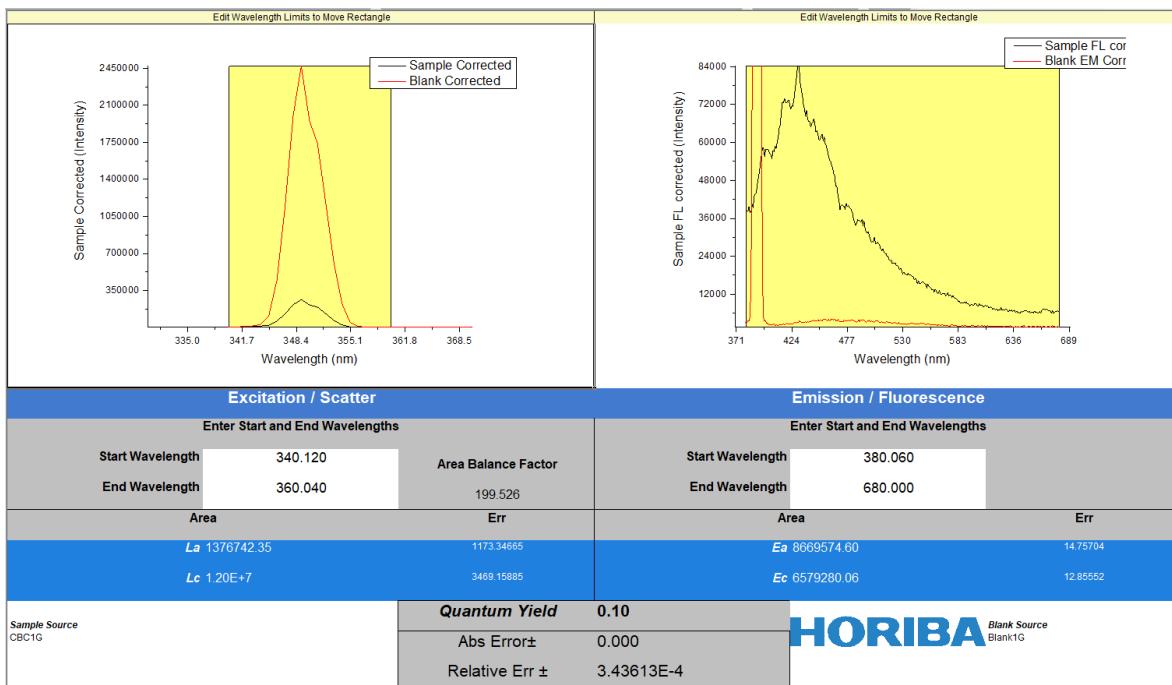
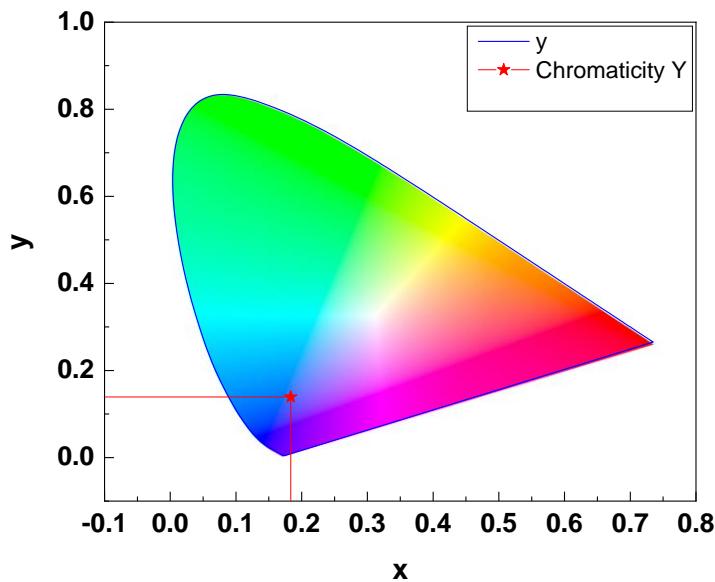


Figure S9. PLQY yield of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$.

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$$(x, y) = (0.18347, 0.13914)$$

Figure S10. CIE color coordinates of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x.

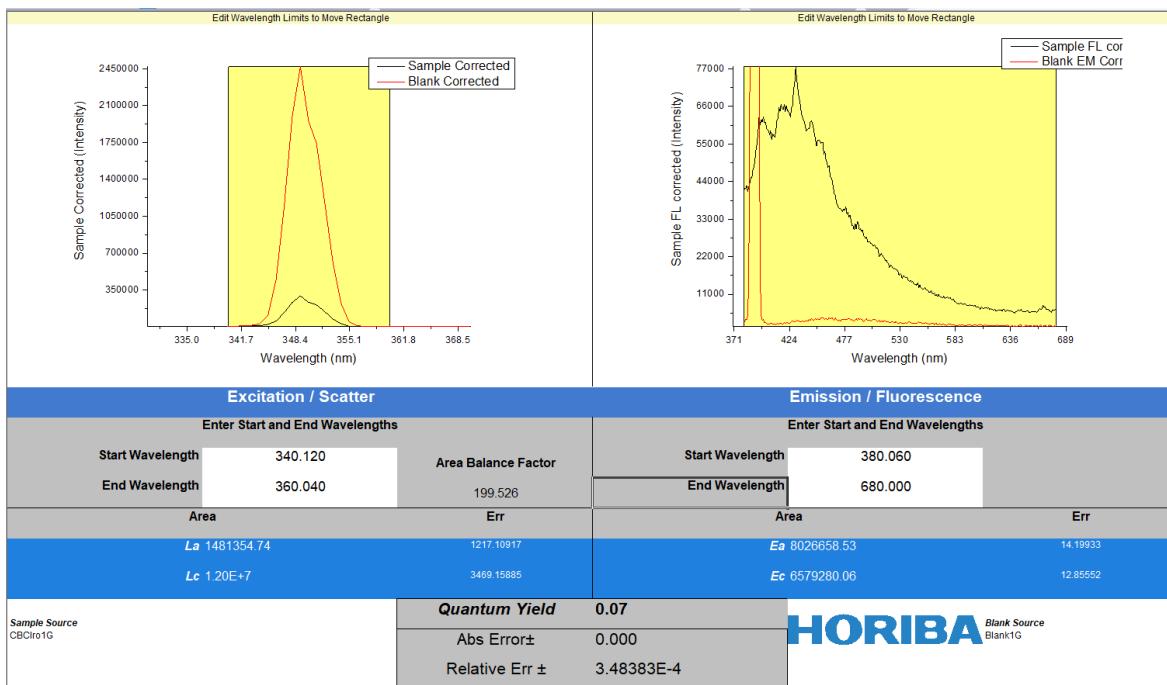


Figure S11. PLQY yield of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x.

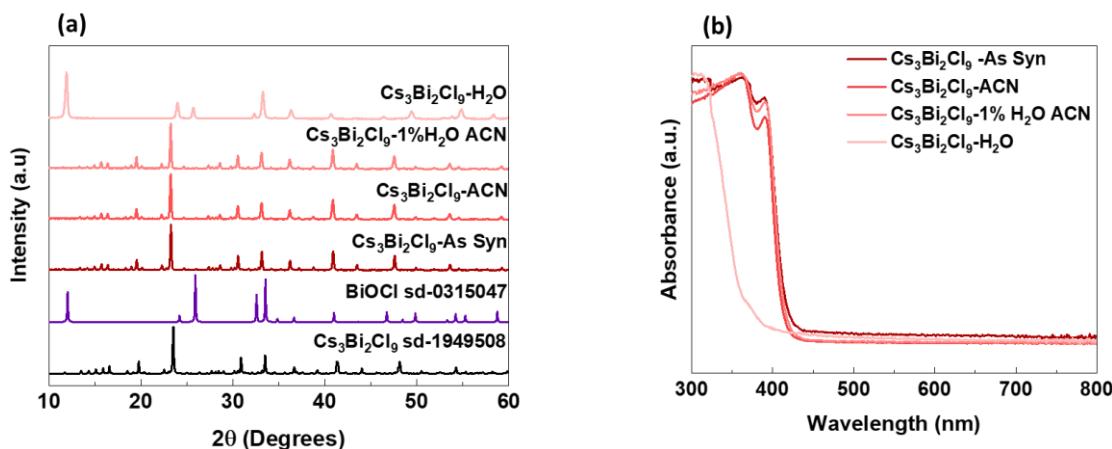


Figure S12. (a) PXRD patterns of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ in different solvent acetonitrile (ACN) conditions under continuous stirring for 12 hours. (b) corresponding UV-Visible absorption spectra.

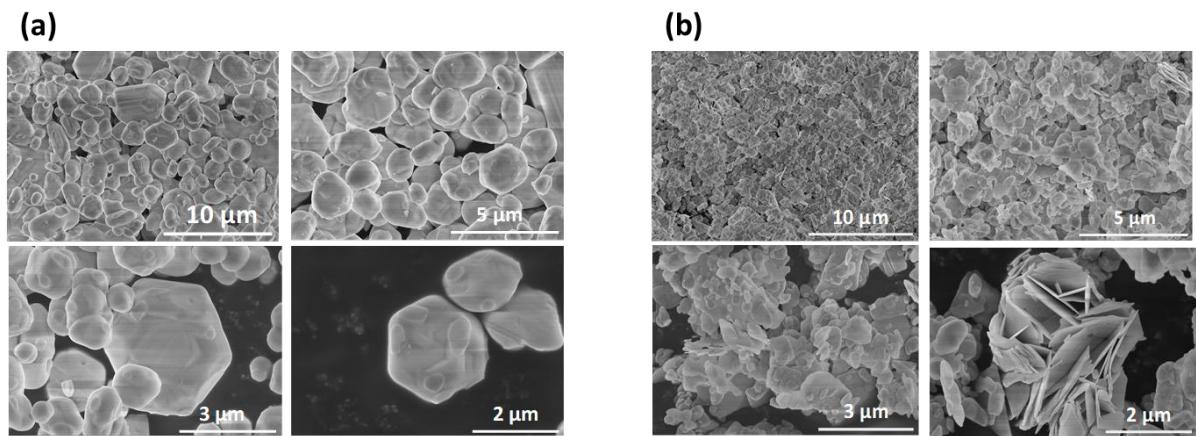


Figure S13. SEM images of (a) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ in 1 vol% H_2O Acetonitrile (b) pure H_2O .

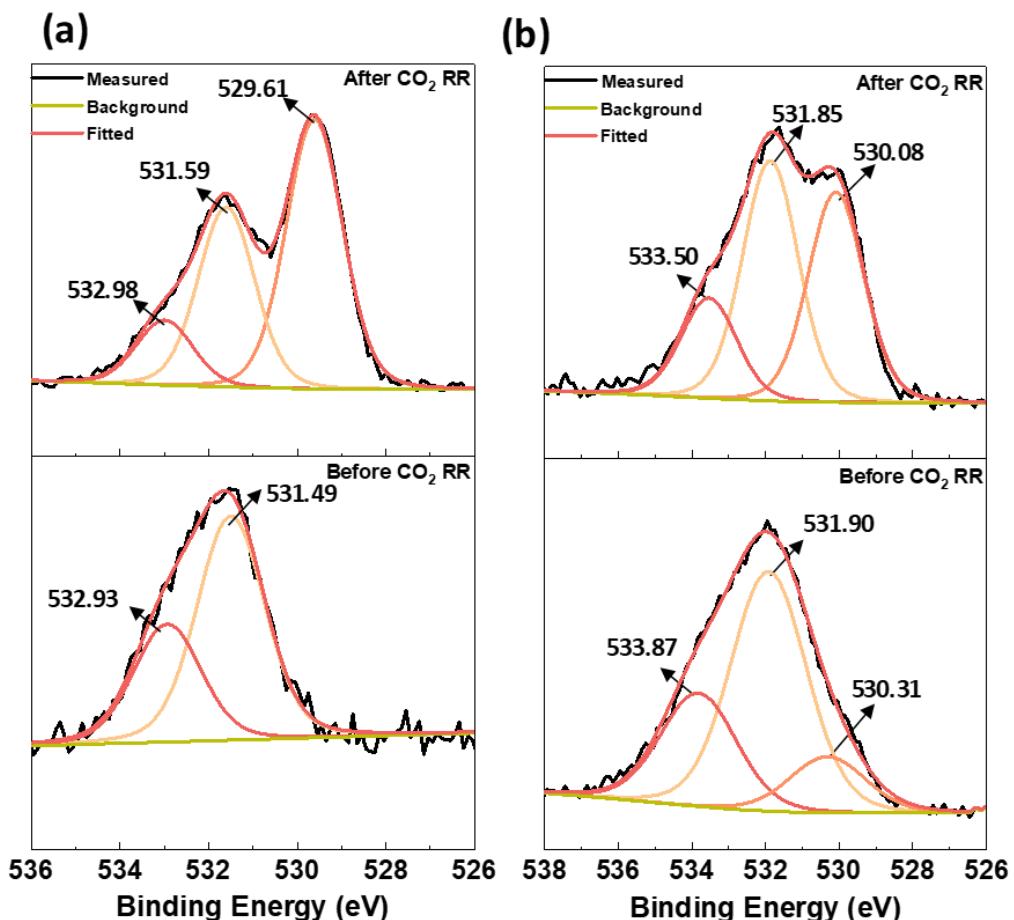


Figure S14. XPS spectra of O 1s (a) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ (b) $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/ IrO_x before and after CO_2 photoreduction.

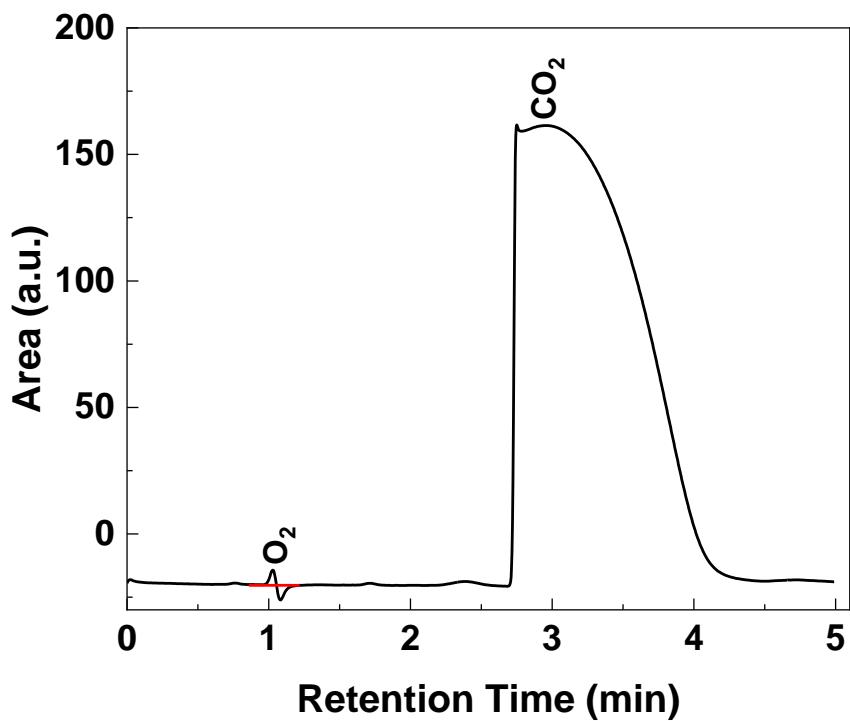


Figure S15. Gas chromatogram of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x after 5 hours of photocatalytic CO₂ reduction reaction displaying small quantity of oxygen in the head space.

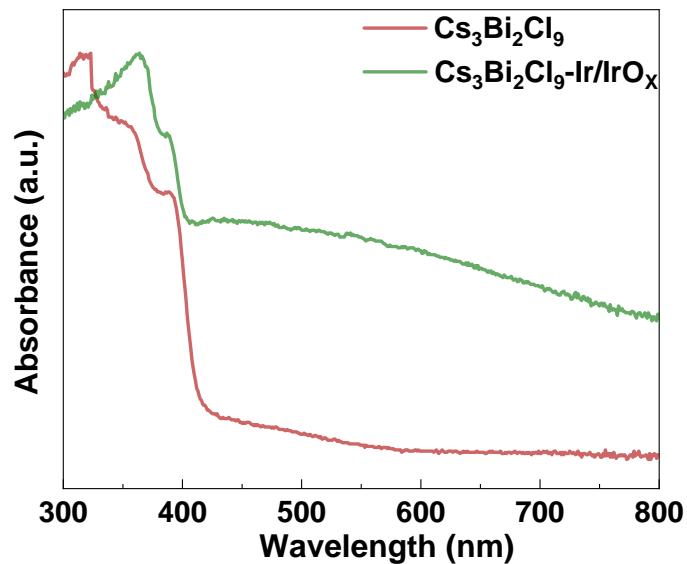


Figure S16. UV-Vis absorption spectra of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ and $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ -Ir/IrO_x after 5 hours of photocatalytic CO₂ reduction reaction.

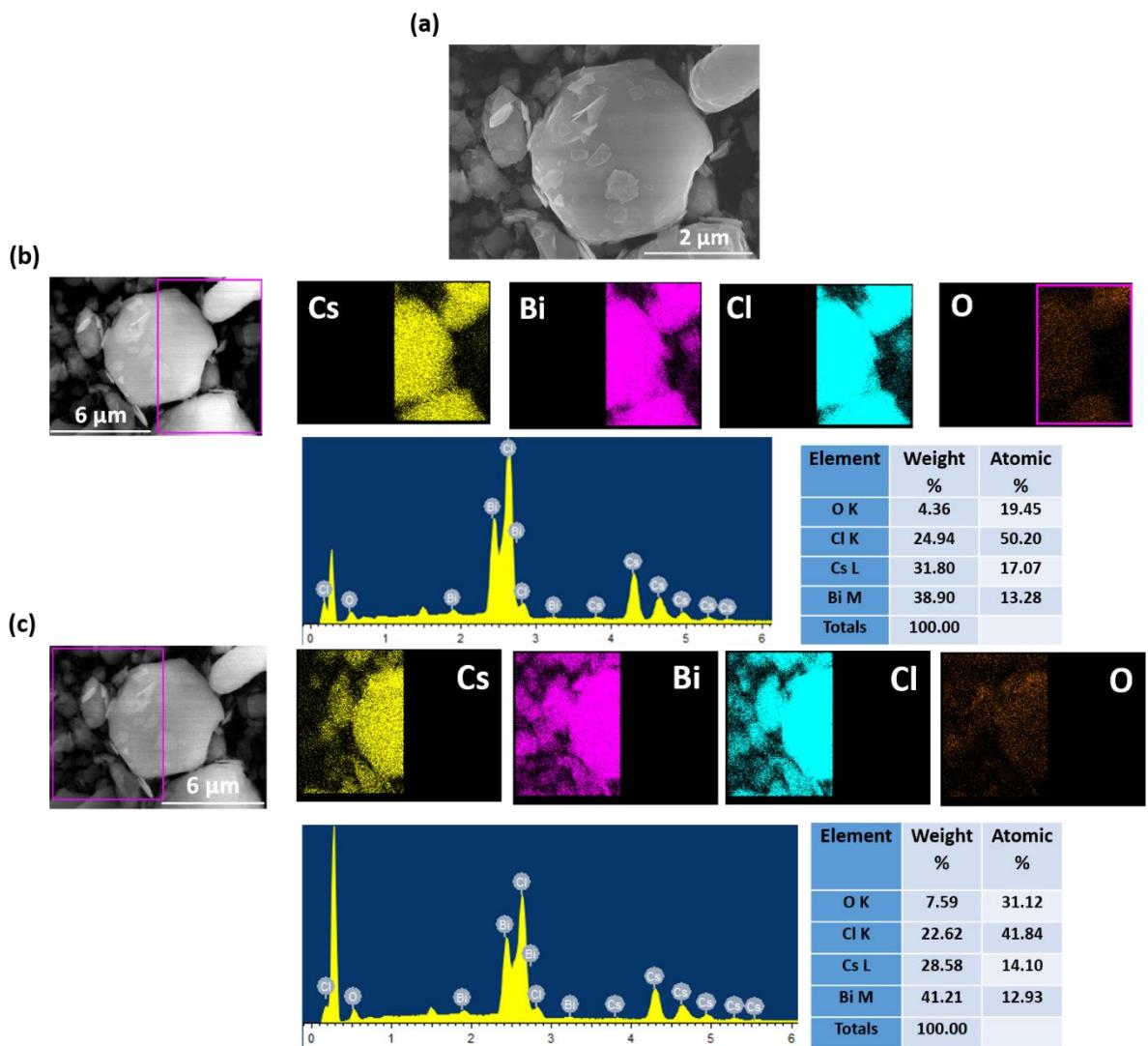


Figure S17. (a) SEM image of single $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ particle after 5 hours photocatalytic CO_2 reduction displaying two different morphologies, EDAX mapping in (b) micro particle dominant portion and (c) dominant in the nanosheets portion.

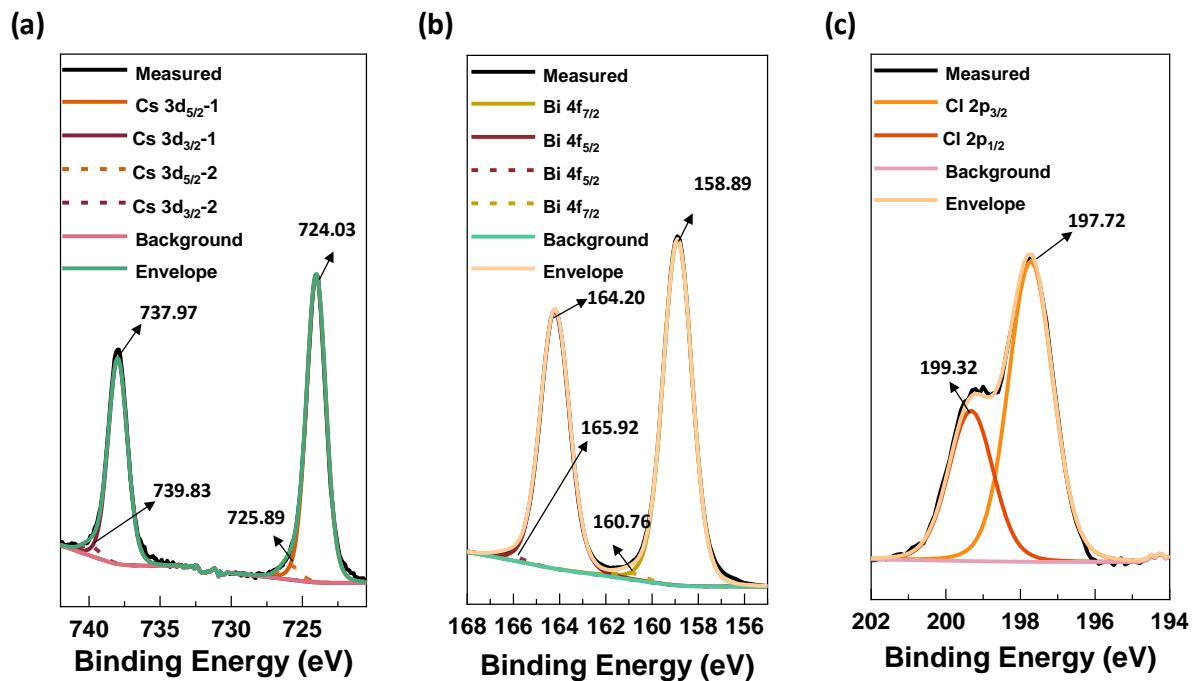


Figure S18. XPS analysis of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ before and after CO_2 photoreduction: (a) Cs 3d (b) Bi 4f (c) Cl 2p.

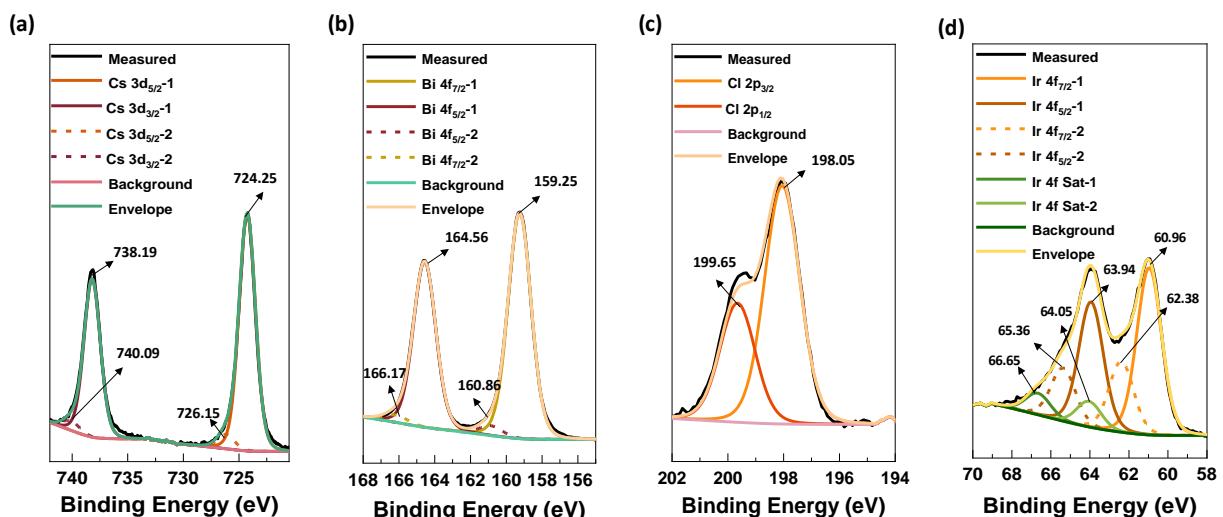


Figure S19. XPS analysis of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9\text{-Ir}/\text{IrO}_x$ before and after CO_2 photoreduction: (a) Cs 3d (b) Bi 4f (c) Cl 2p (d) Ir 4f.

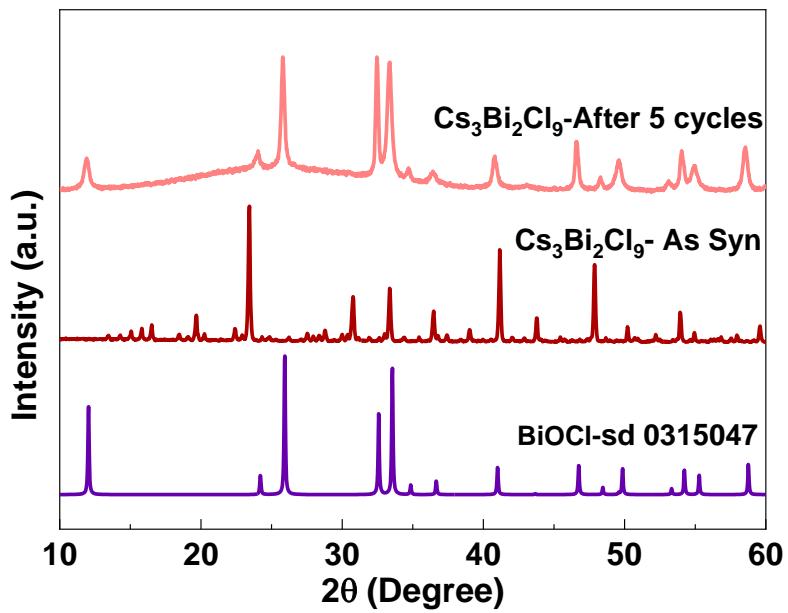


Figure S20. PXRD patterns of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ after five cycles of photocatalytic CO_2 reduction.

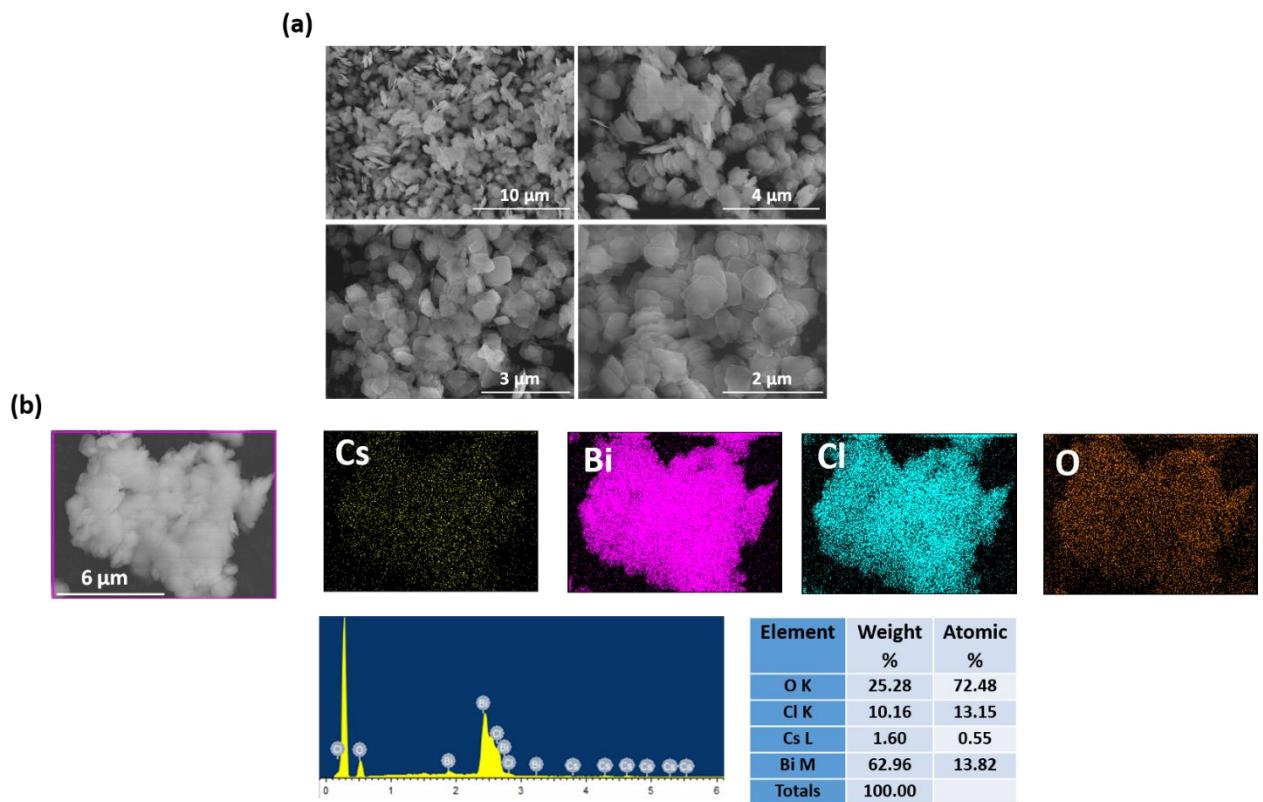


Figure S21. (a) SEM images of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ after five cycles of photocatalytic CO_2 reduction (b) EDAX elemental mapping.

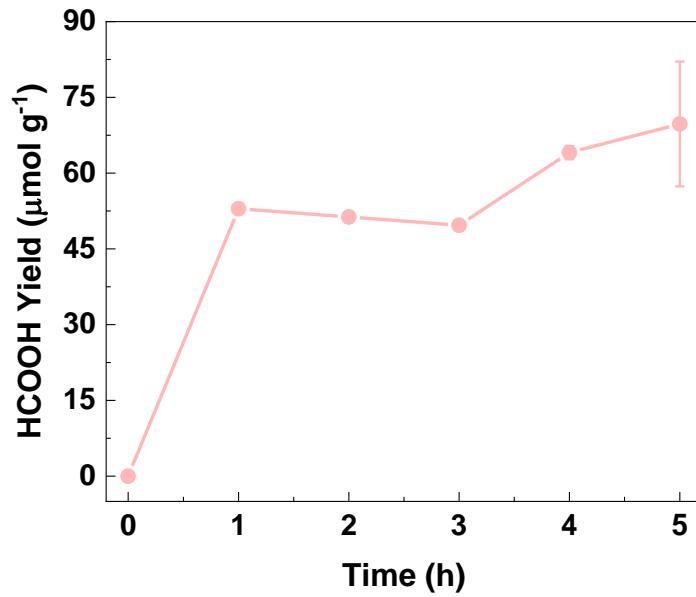


Figure S22. HCOOH yield on $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ as a function of reaction time

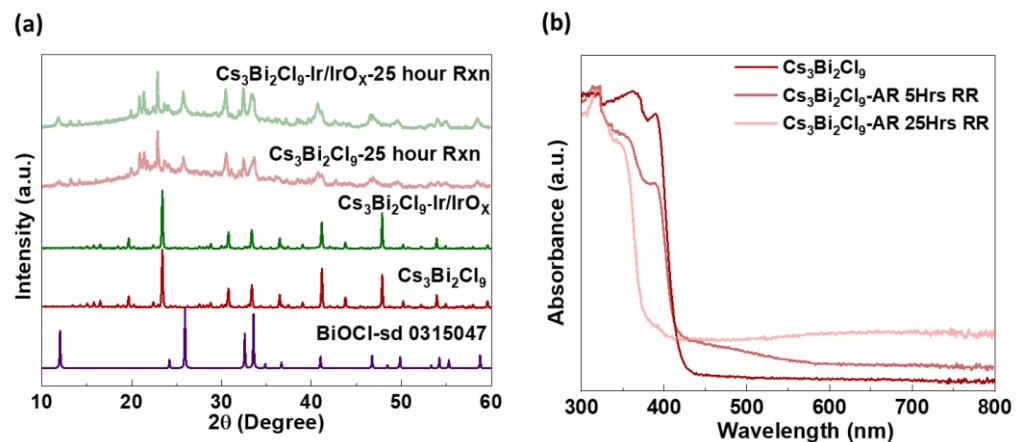


Figure S23. (a) PXRD patterns of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$, $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9\text{-Ir/IrO}_x$ after 25 hours of continuous photocatalytic CO_2 reduction and their (b) corresponding absorption spectra.

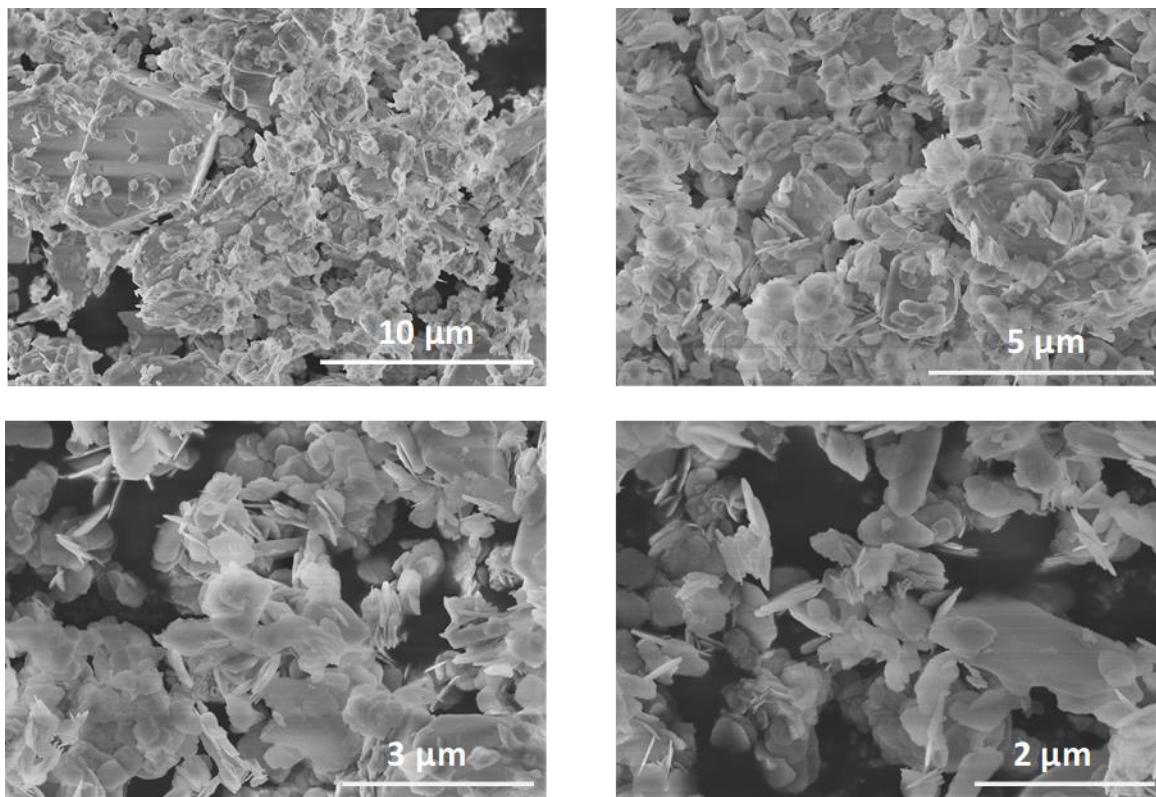


Figure S24. SEM images of $\text{Cs}_3\text{Bi}_2\text{Cl}_9$ after 25 hours continuous photocatalytic CO_2 reduction.

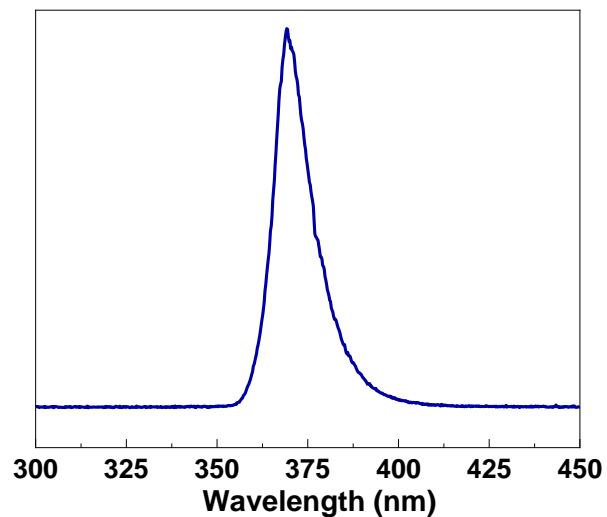


Figure S25. Emission spectrum of 5 W UV-A LED that was used to conduct photocatalytic CO_2 reduction reactions.

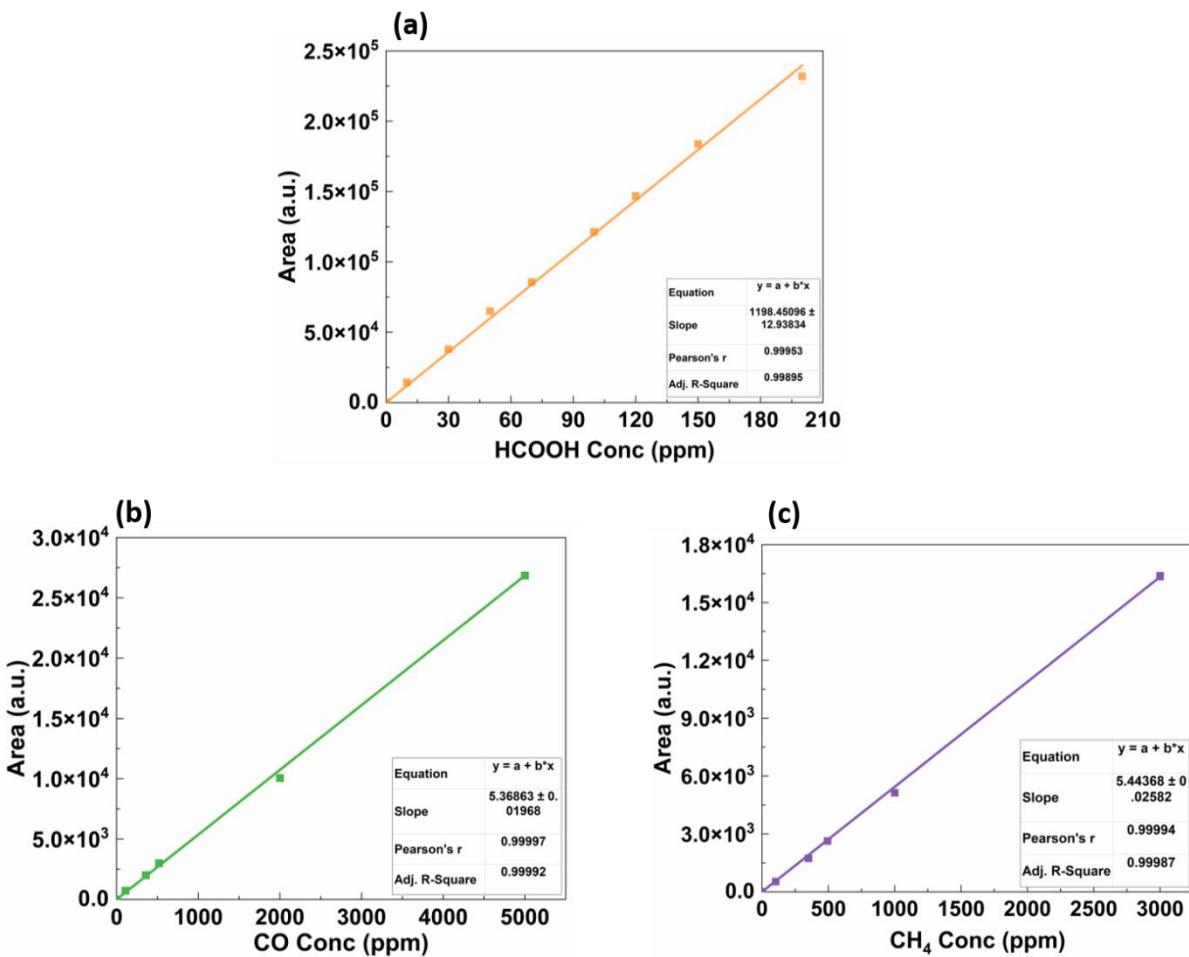


Figure S26. Standardization curves for (a) formic acid (b) carbon monoxide, and (c) methane.

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