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Supplementary Information

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3 **S1] Estimation approach for the total number of photons.**

4 The total number of photons was calculated, considering the photon energy, wavelength,
5 and irradiation time

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7 Photon energy (J) = hc / λ (Eq. S1)

8 where h is the Planck constant, c is the speed of light, and λ is the photon wavelength.

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10 Photons per second = photon energy (J) / lamp power (J s⁻¹) (Eq. S2)

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12 Total number of photons = photons per second (photons s⁻¹) · reaction time (s⁻¹) (Eq. S3)

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15 **Table S1.** Specifications of the filter and air purifier (AP) codes for the AP platform.

Order	AP code	Filter code	Filter type
1	AP (CNT-n)	HC-CNT-n	HC filter fabricated using CNT-n photocatalyst.
2	AP (P25)	HC-TiO ₂	HC filter fabricated using TiO ₂ in the lab
3	AP (CN)	HC-g-C ₃ N ₄	HC filter fabricated using g-C ₃ N ₄ photocatalyst
4	AP (O)	HC-O	HC filter installed in commercial AP
5	AP (B)	HC-B	Blank honeycomb filter

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18 **Table S2.** Natural decay rate of FA vapor at varying concentrations.

Order	Initial concentration	R²	Natural decay rate
	(ppm)		(L min⁻¹)
1	0.5	0.948	0.009
2	1	0.983	0.011
3	2	0.997	0.011
4	5	0.987	0.015

20 **Table S3.** Surface properties of the tested CNT-n, TiO₂, and g-C₃N₄ photocatalysts.

Order	Catalyst	S_{BET} (m² g⁻¹)	Pore volume (cm³ g⁻¹)	Average pore diameter (nm)
1	CNT-1	41.6	0.0505	4.49
2	CNT-0.5	42.9	0.0572	4.51
3	CNT-0.1	45.3	0.0581	4.65
4	CNT-0.02	46.1	0.0612	4.78
5	TiO ₂	50.8	0.0678	4.44
6	g-C ₃ N ₄	9.57	0.0124	4.37

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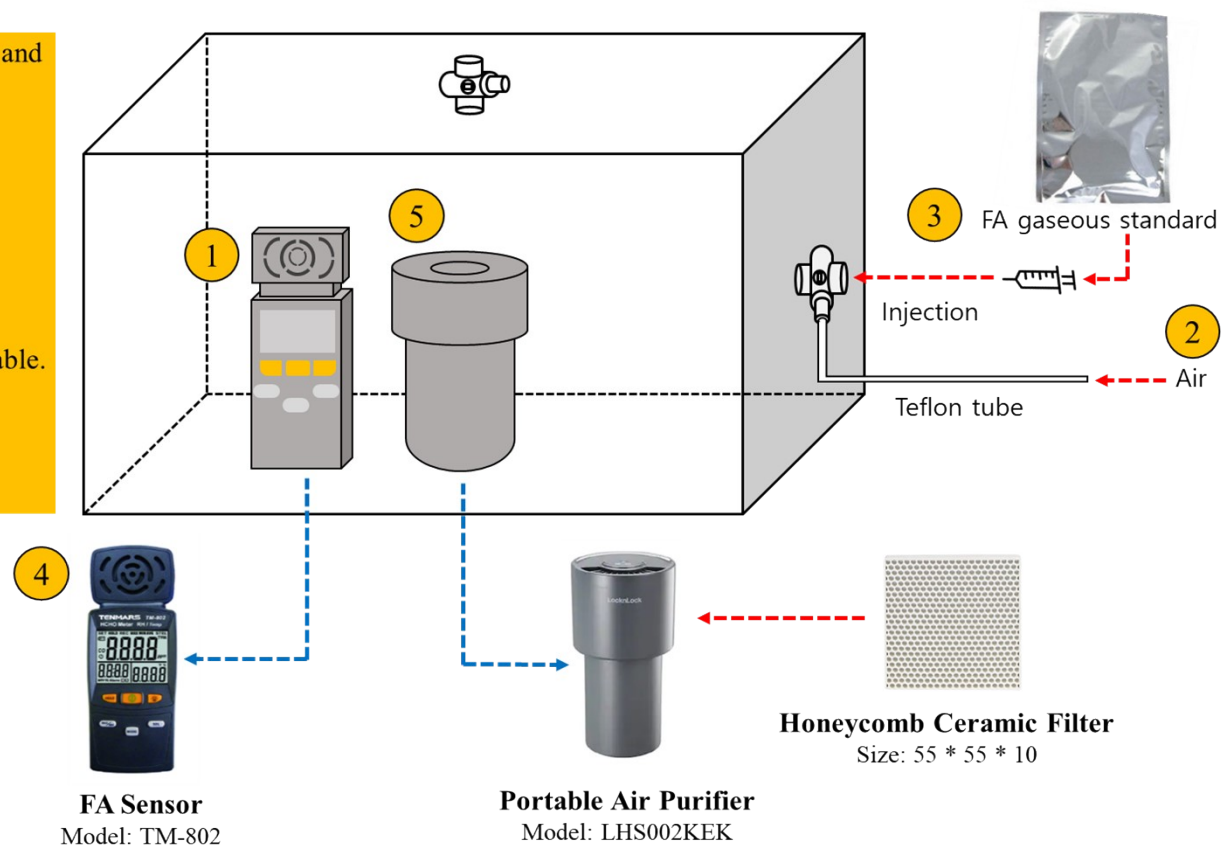
23 **Table S4.** XPS data for the CNT-0.02, g-C₃N₄, and TiO₂ catalysts.

Sample	Peak	Binding energy (eV)	Assignment	Element (atomic %)	
CNT-0.02	C 1s	285	CC/C=C	13.3	
		286.5	CN		
	N 1s	288.5	C(N) ₃		
		399.2	CN=C		
		401.1	N(C) ₃		
		458.4	Ti 2p _{3/2}		
	Ti 2p	464.2	Ti 2p _{1/2}		56.2
		O 1s	529.5		Ti-O
531.7	Ti-OH				
g-C ₃ N ₄	C 1s	285	CC/C=C	44.5	
		286.5	CN		
	N 1s	288.5	C(N) ₃		
		398.9	CN=C		
		400.8	N(C) ₃		
TiO ₂	Ti 2p	458.5	Ti 2p _{3/2}	16.4	
		464.3	Ti 2p _{1/2}		
	O 1s	529.6	Ti-O		
		531.8	Ti-OH		

25 **Table S5.** Intermediates identified through an *in situ* DRIFTS analysis of CNT-0.02 during FA removal in dark and light conditions.

Order	Intermediate	Wavelength (cm ⁻¹)	Assignment	Note
1	Dioxymethylene (DOM)	1064, 1116, 1158, 1174, and 1253	v(CO)	1. An increase in the DOM peak during the adsorption process indicates the surface consumption of bonded OH groups, allowing the adsorption of DOM species onto the photocatalytic surface.
		1417	δ(CH ₂)	
		2762, 2861, 2911, and 2960	v(CH ₂)	2. Under UV exposure, peaks of DOM species and formate ions decrease and increase, respectively, indicating the conversion of DOM species into formate ions due to oxidation.
2	Formate (HCOO ⁻)	1360	vs(COO ⁻)	
		1572	vas(COO ⁻)	3. The introduction of humidity leads to an increase in OH peaks, forming hydroxyl groups, followed by a decrease in DOM and formate species.

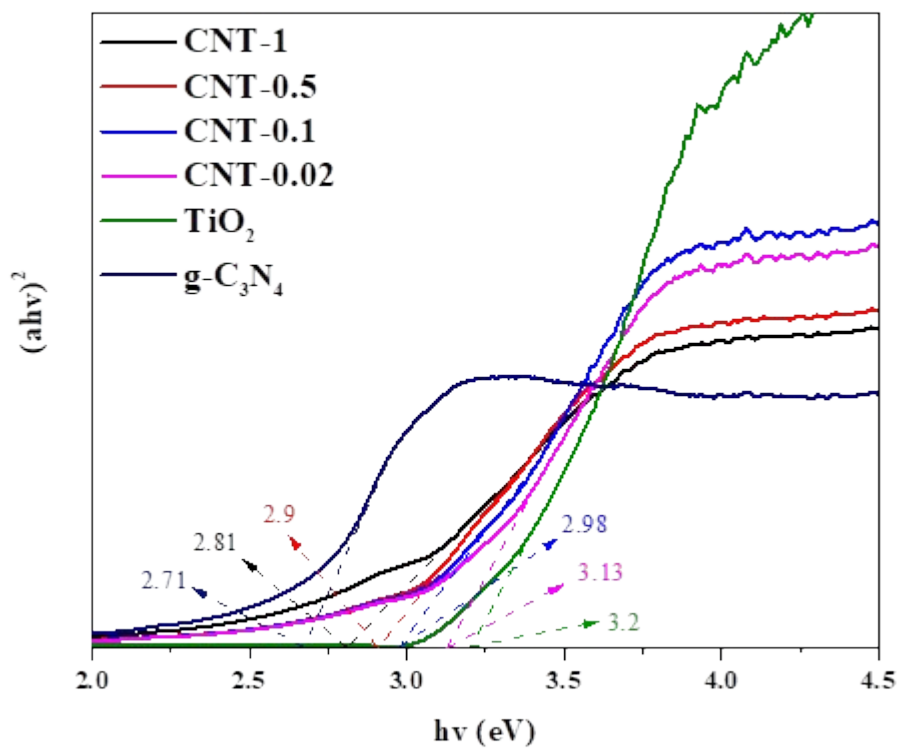
- 1 Turn on the Formaldehyde (FA) sensor and seal the chamber.
- 2 Purge the chamber with zero air gas through the inlet.
- 3 Inject the FA gas standard into the chamber through a syringe.
- 4 Wait until the target concentration is stable.
- 5 Turn on the air purifier and record the change in concentration displayed on the sensor.



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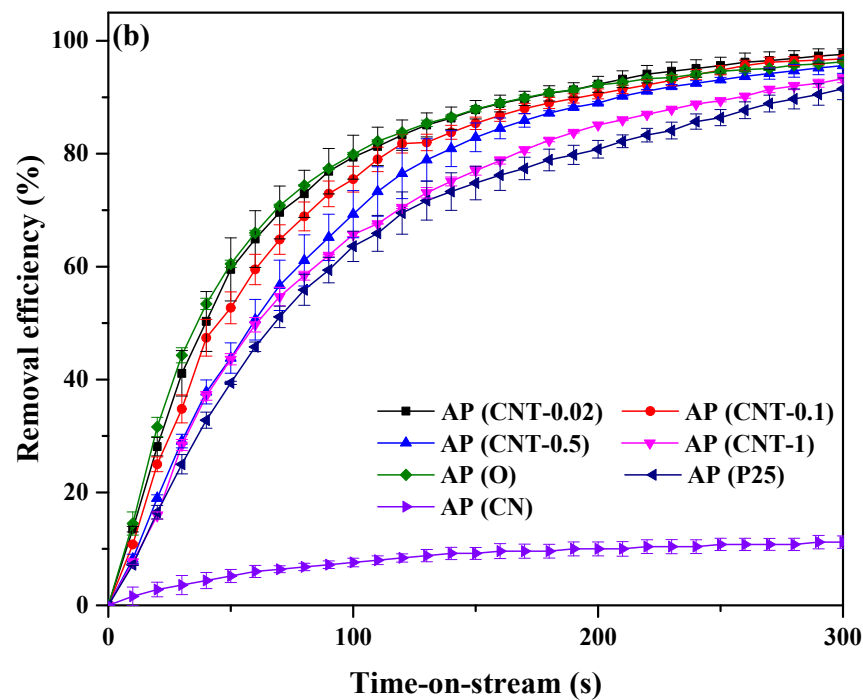
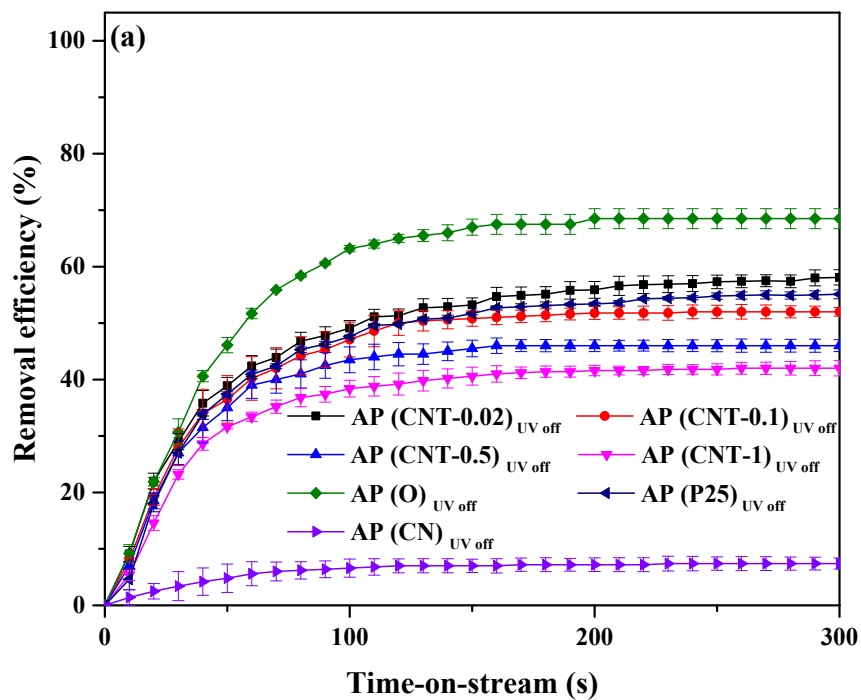
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29 **Figure S1.** Schematic diagram of a photocatalytic oxidation system for FA removal.



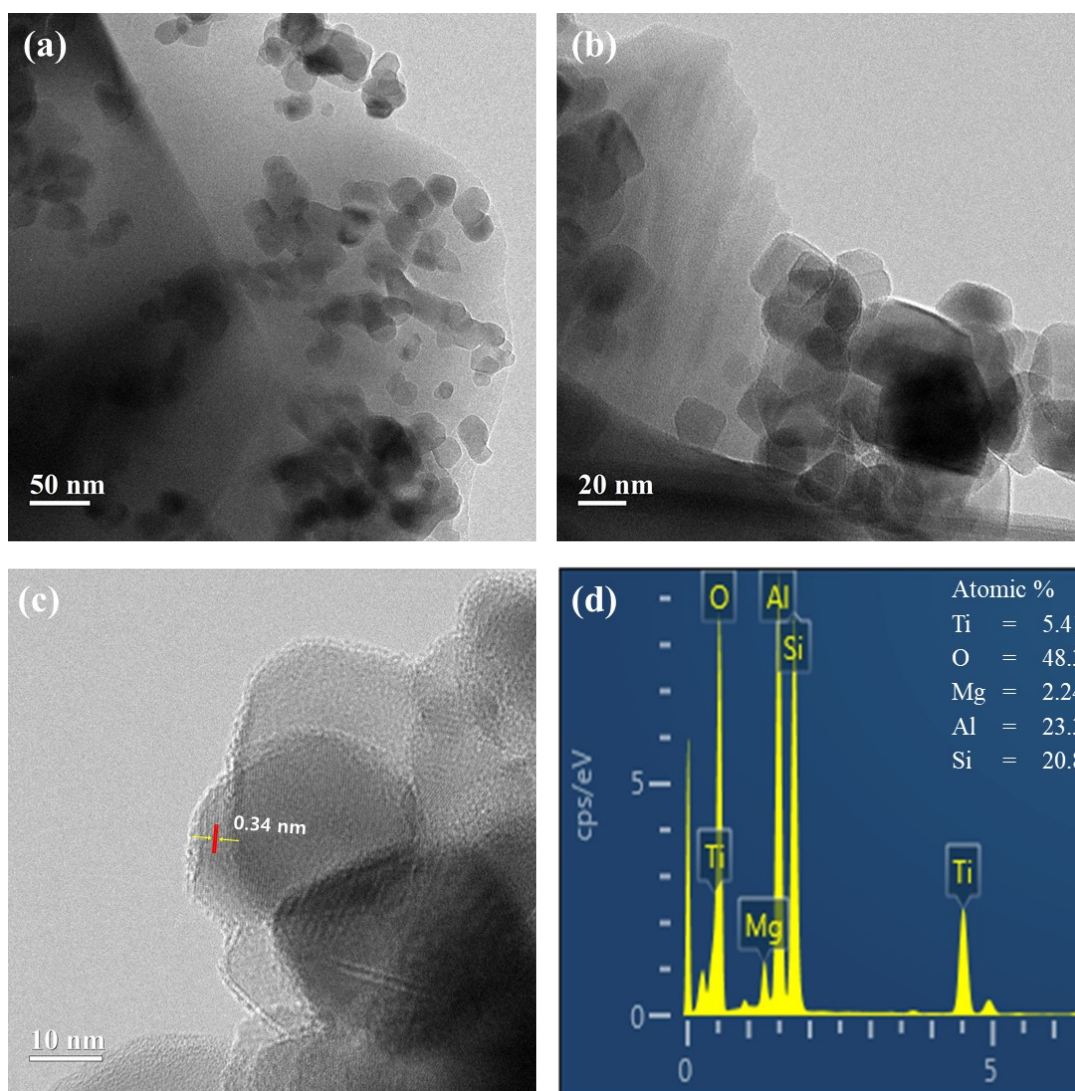
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31 **Figure S2.** Band gap energy profiles for the as-prepared CNT-n composites (relative to TiO_2
 32 and $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$).



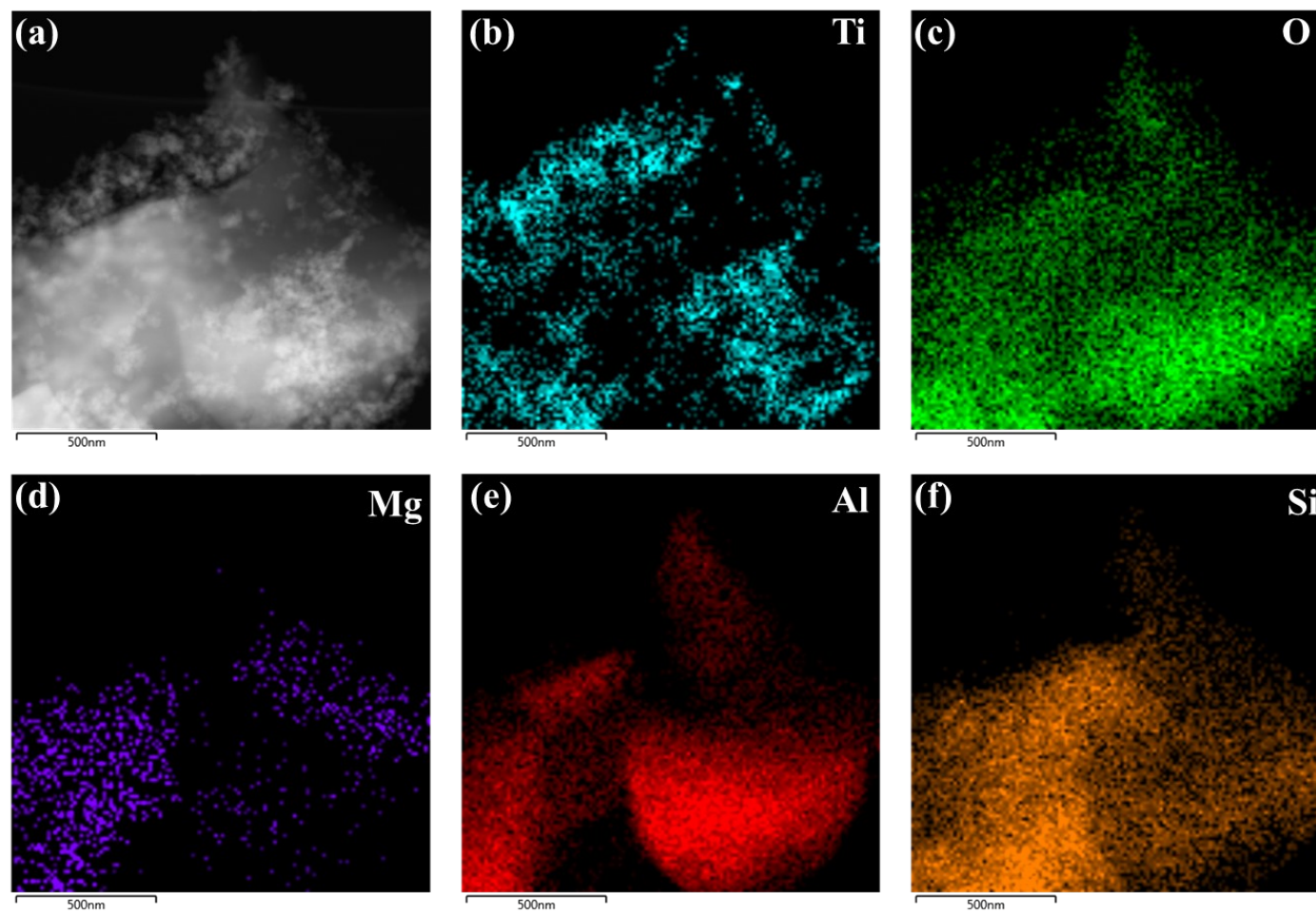
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34 **Figure S3.** The removal efficiency of 5 ppm FA by AP (CNT-*n*) filters (relative to the reference AP (O), AP (P25), and AP (CN) filters) in a dry
 35 atmosphere (0% RH) at 160 mL min⁻¹ AP circulation rate: (a) adsorption in dark conditions and (b) photocatalysis under 42.1 mW cm⁻² UV-A
 36 irradiation.



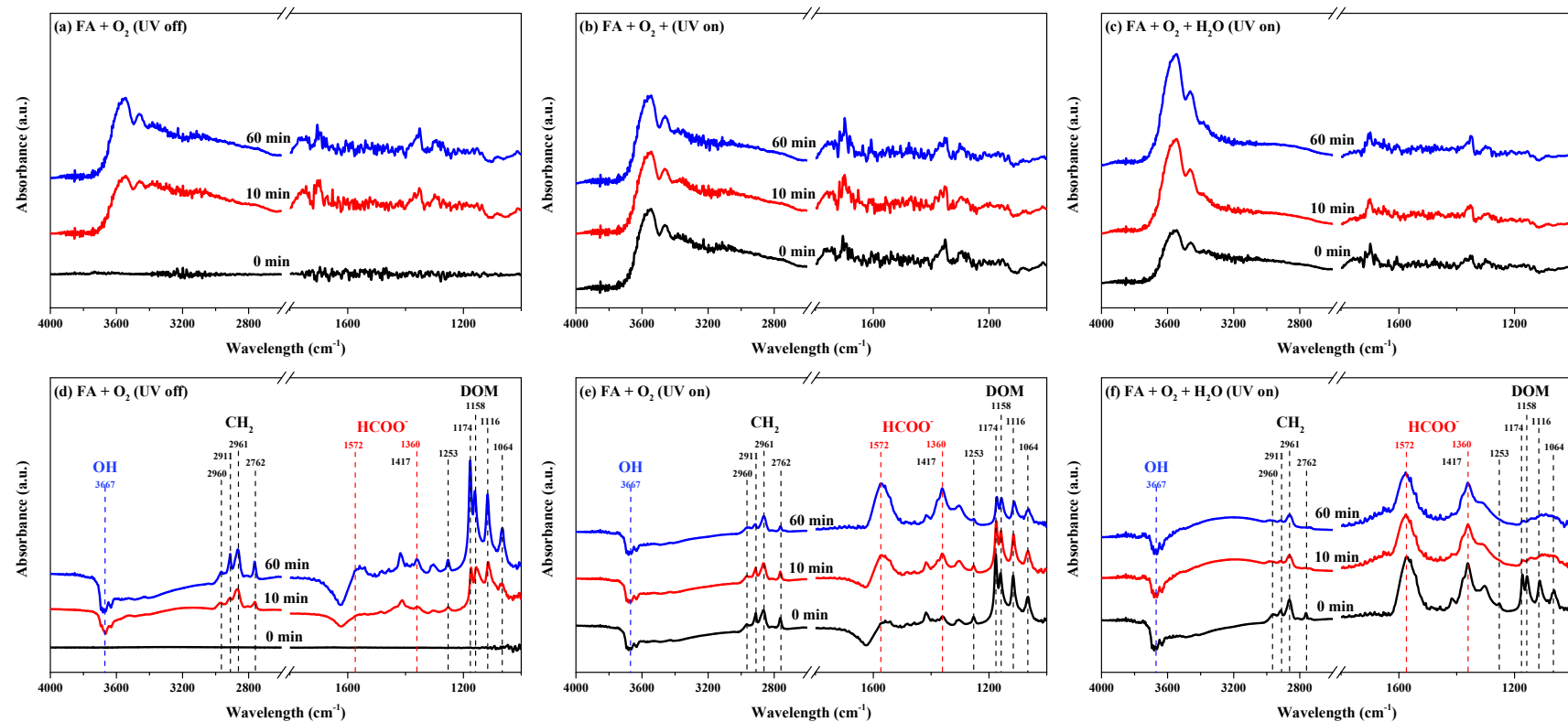
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38 **Figure S4.** Morphological characterization of the HC-O material: (a–c) TEM images and
39 (d) EDS analysis.



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41 **Figure S5.** EDS images of HC-O (a) Selected region and (b) Ti, (c) O, (d) Mg, (e) Al, and (f) Si



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44 **Figure S6.** *In situ* DRIFTS spectra of the tested photocatalysts against FA removal in dark and light conditions: (a) g-C₃N₄ (FA + air + UV off), (b) g-C₃N₄ (FA + air + UV on),
 45 (c) g-C₃N₄ (FA + air + H₂O + UV on), (d) TiO₂ (FA + air + UV off), (e) TiO₂ (FA + air + UV on), and (f) TiO₂ (FA + air + H₂O + UV on).

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