

*Supplementary Materials*

# An Electrospun Porous CuBi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Nanofiber Photocathode for Efficient Solar Water Splitting

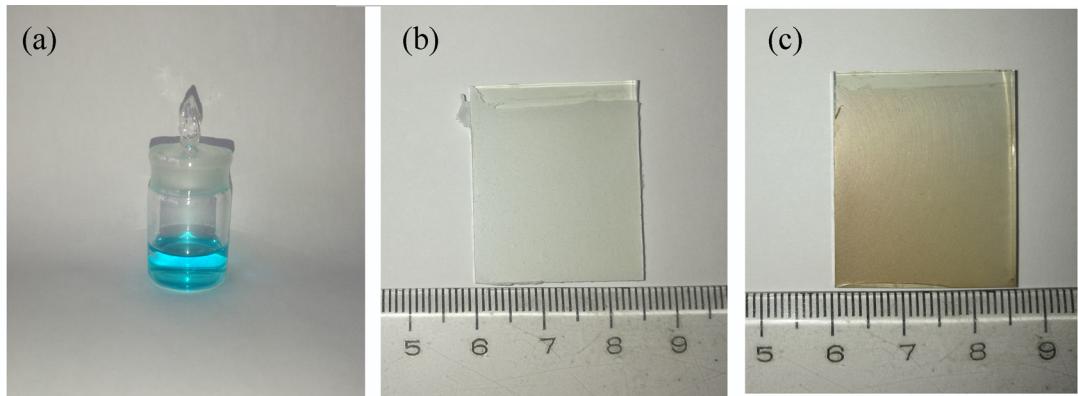
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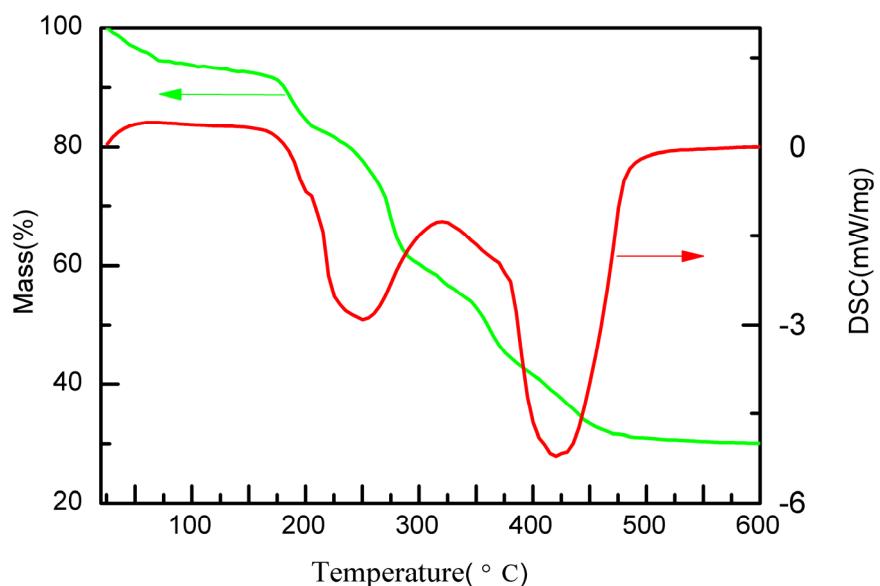
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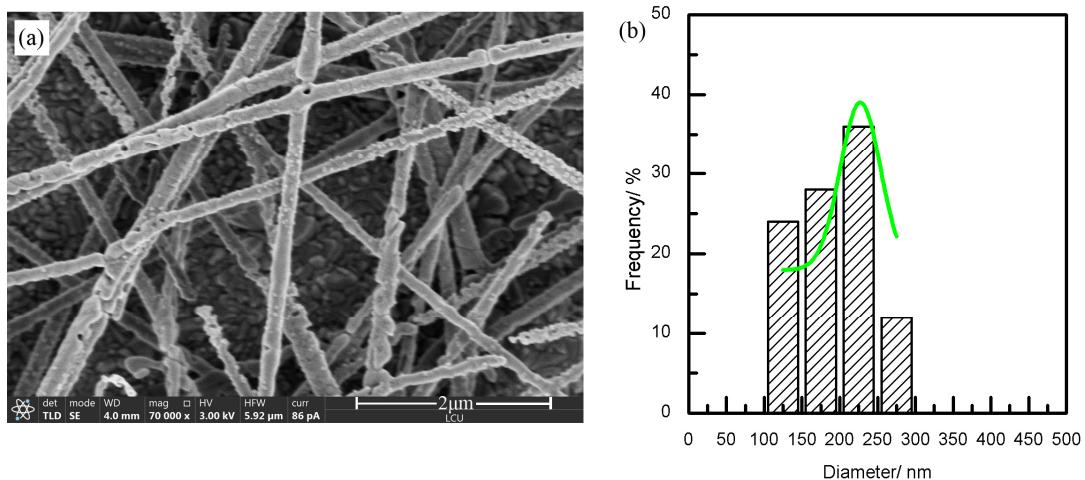
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**Figure S1.** Digital micrograph of (a) solution precursor, (b) PVP- $\text{CuBi}_2\text{O}_4$  nanofiber mat before annealing and (c)  $\text{CuBi}_2\text{O}_4$  nanofiber mat after annealing



**Figure S2.** TG-DSC curve of the crystallization of  $\text{CuBi}_2\text{O}_4$  nanofiber



**Figure S3.**  $\text{CuBi}_2\text{O}_4$  nanofiber (a) SEM, (b) corresponding diameter distribution

**Table S1.** Comparison of photocurrent data reported in the literature with the photocurrent value obtained in the present study

Fabrication method	Photocathode	Band gap(eV)	Performance (at 0.6 V RHE )	Ref
Pulsed laser deposition	pristine nanofilm	1.92	0.02 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	1
electrochemical deposition	nano particle film	1.6	0.06 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	2
Spray pyrolysis	pristine nanofilm	1.46	<0.30 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	3
drop casting	nanotextured films	1.82	0.09 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	4
drop casting	porous films with Cu:Bi=0.55	1.67	0.14 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	5
drop casting	nanofilm consist of open windows and struts	1.5	0.15 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	6
<b>Electrospun</b>	<b>pristine nanofiber</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>0.12 mA/cm<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>This work</b>
drop-casting	nanofilm with gradient self-doping	/	0.50 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	7
<b>Electrospun</b>	<b>nanofiber decorated with Pt</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>0.21 mA/cm<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>This work</b>

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