

Supporting Information

Photoelectrocatalytic Hydrogen Generation Enabled by CdS passivated ZnCuInSe

Quantum Dot-Sensitized TiO₂ Decorated with Ag Nanoparticles

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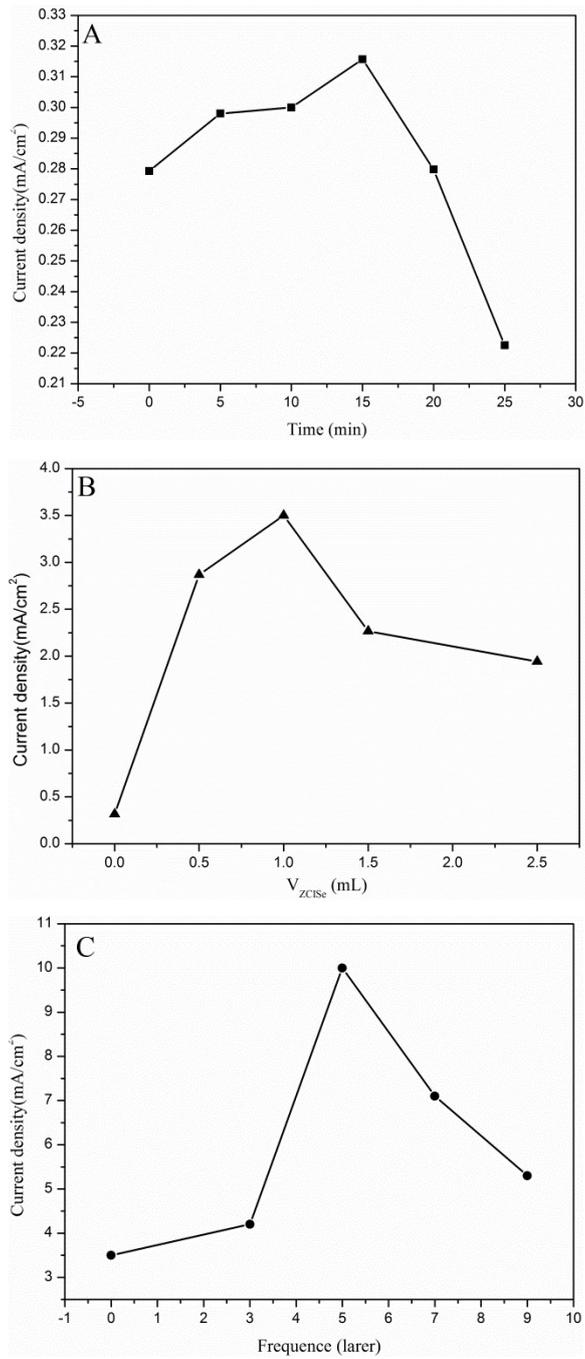


Figure S1. The dependence of photocurrent on the loaded Ag nanoparticles, ZCISE and CdS amount which is represented by the ultraviolet light exposure time (A), the amount of dropwise (B) and the number of soak (C) of the corresponding electrode.

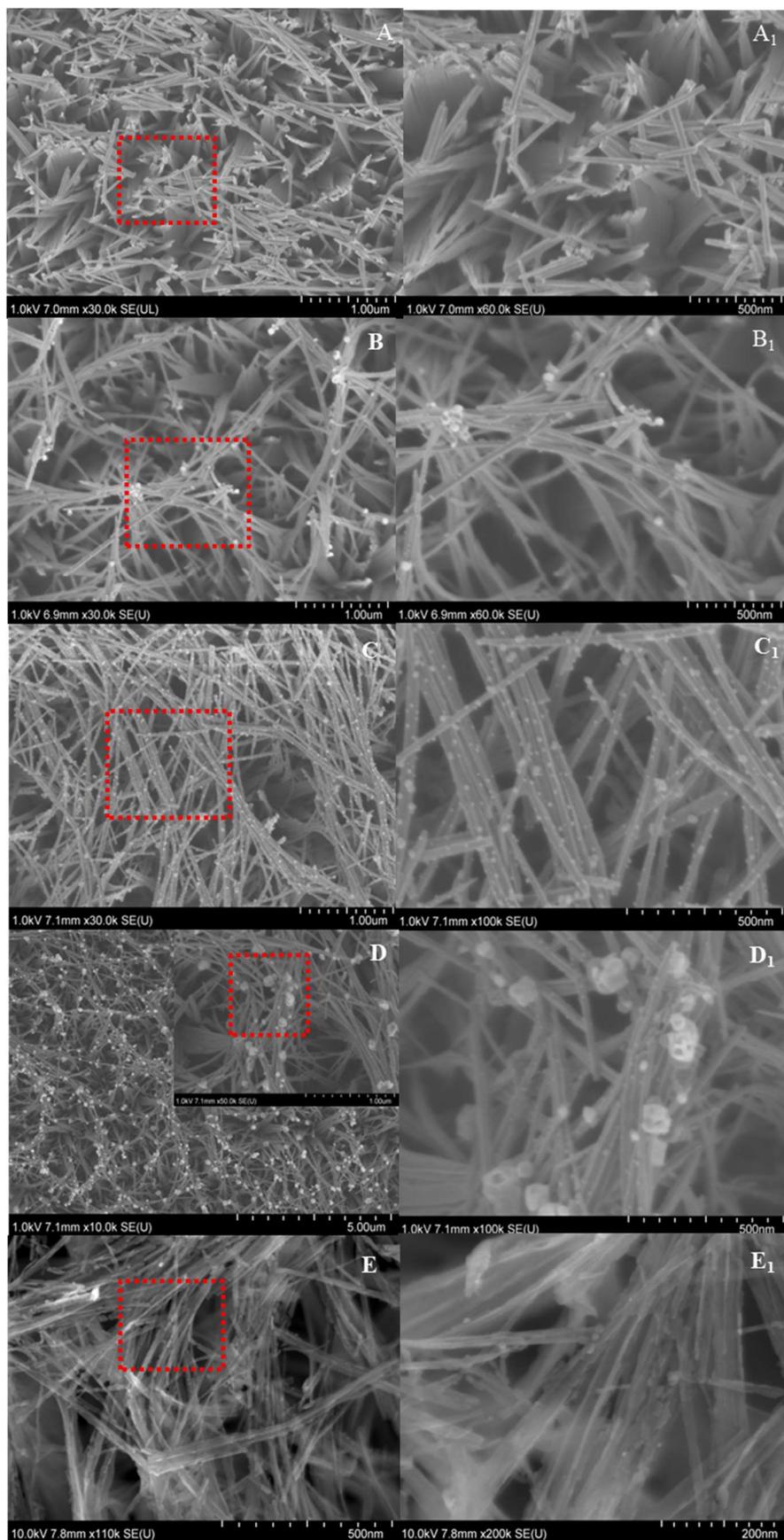


Figure S2. SEM images of TiO₂/Ag with photodeposition time of 5 min (A,A₁), 10 min (B,B₁), 15min (C,C₁), 20 min (D,D₁) and 25 min (E,E₁) with different magnification.

In order to investigate the detailed structural and surface information on the TiO₂ nanowires, SEM of TiO₂/Ag nanowires under different irradiation time using UV light was done. From Figure S2, TiO₂/Ag nanowires display very rough surface morphologies compared to pure TiO₂ nanowires, and the amount of Ag nanoparticles increase gradually as the time of irradiation progresses (Figure S2A, Figure S2B, and Figure S2C). Meanwhile, the corresponding photocurrent intensity also increased gradually. Notably, after 15 min of irradiation, a layer of tiny Ag nanoparticles is uniformly deposited on the surface of TiO₂ nanowires. However, with increasing the reaction time, small weak agglomerates are formed as shown in Figure S2D and Figure S2E. When the time reaches 25 min, the primary Ag nanoparticles in the state of agglomeration are clearly observed, which will affect the photoelectric property. From the above, this result is consistent with the trend of photocurrent intensity.

Table S1. Photocurrent density of different modified photoelectrode under three condition

Irradiation range	Photocurrent density of different modified photoelectrode (mA/cm ²)					
	TiO ₂	TiO ₂ /Ag	TiO ₂ /Ag/ZCISe	TiO ₂ /ZCISe	TiO ₂ /CdS	TiO ₂ /Ag/ZCISe/CdS
$\lambda = 500 \pm 15$ nm	0.05	0.10	2.64	2.1	2.9	5.7
$\lambda \geq 800$ nm	/	/	0.27	0.23	0.1	0.4
$300 \leq \lambda \leq 2500$ nm	0.28	0.32	3.66	3.2	6.0	10.5