

Supplementary Materials

Effect of the Type of Heterostructures on Photostimulated Alteration of the Surface Hydrophilicity: TiO₂/BiVO₄ vs. ZnO/BiVO₄ Planar Heterostructured Coatings

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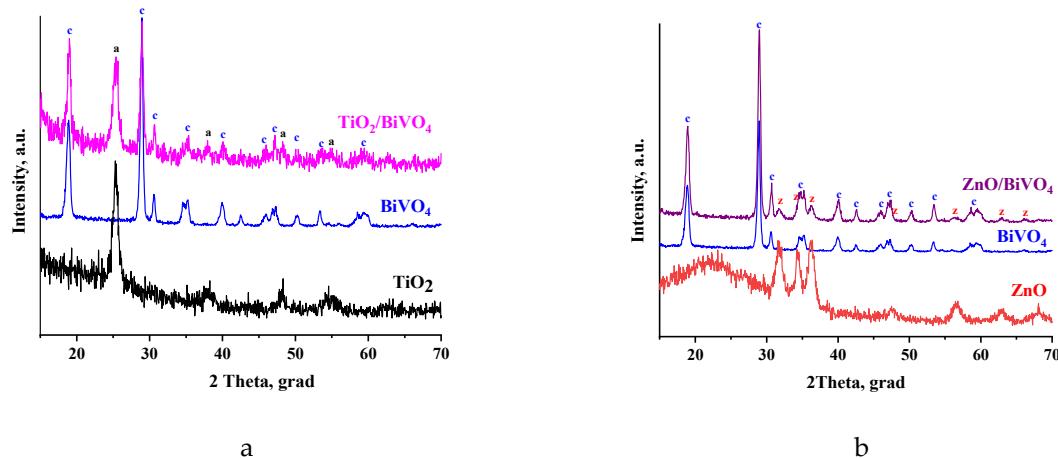


Figure S1. XRD patterns of synthesized coatings: (a) TiO₂, BiVO₄ and TiO₂/BiVO₄, (b) ZnO, BiVO₄, ZnO/BiVO₄. The letters "a", "z" and "c" denote the phases of anatase, zincite and monoclinic clinobisvanite, respectively.

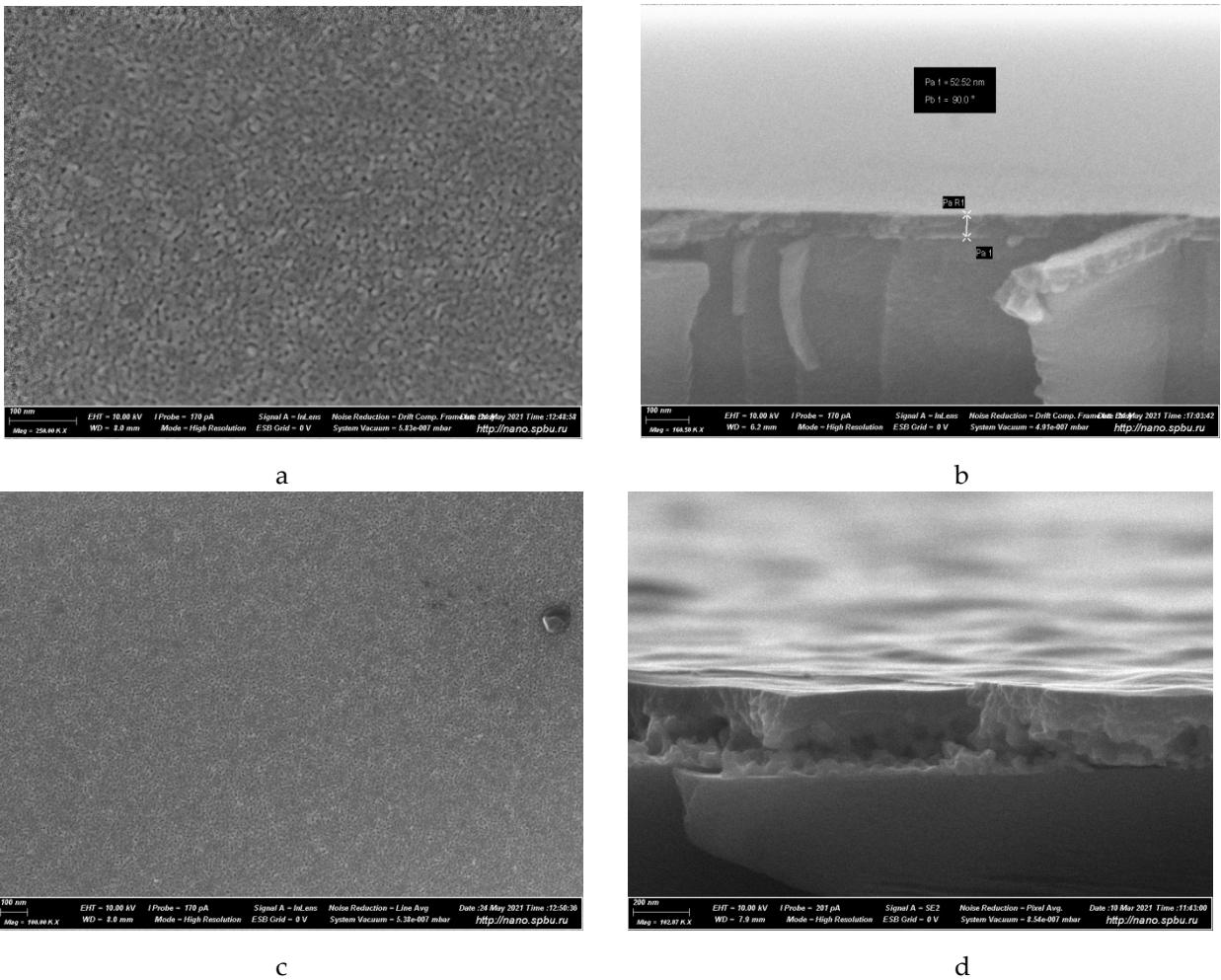
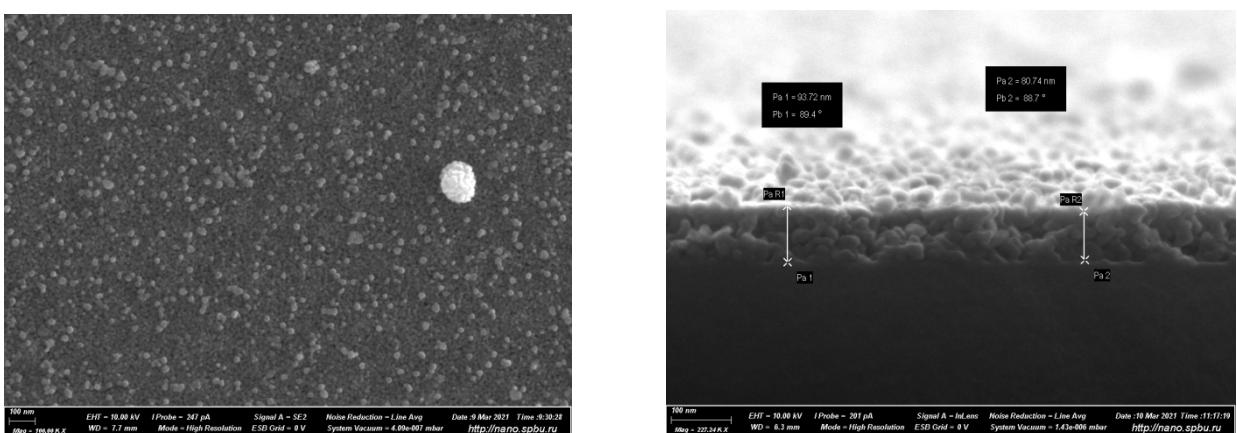


Figure S2. SEM images of TiO₂-topped surfaces (**a**, **c**) and cross-sections (**b**, **d**) for TiO₂ (**a**, **b**) and TiO₂/BiVO₄ (**b**, **d**) coatings.



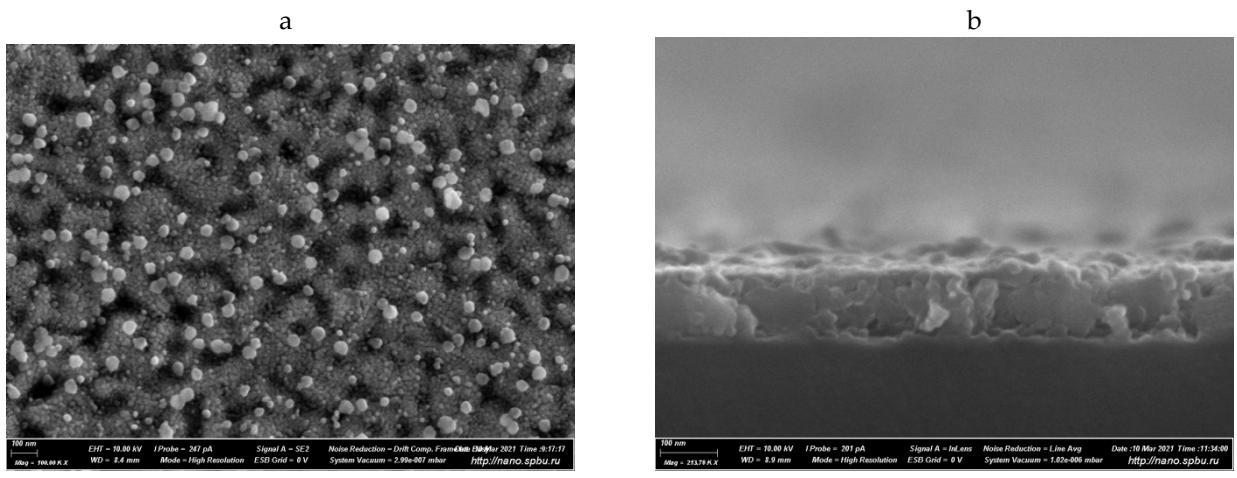


Figure S3. SEM images of ZnO surfaces (**a, c**) and cross-sections (**b, d**) for ZnO (**a, b**) and ZnO/BiVO₄ (**b, d**) coatings.

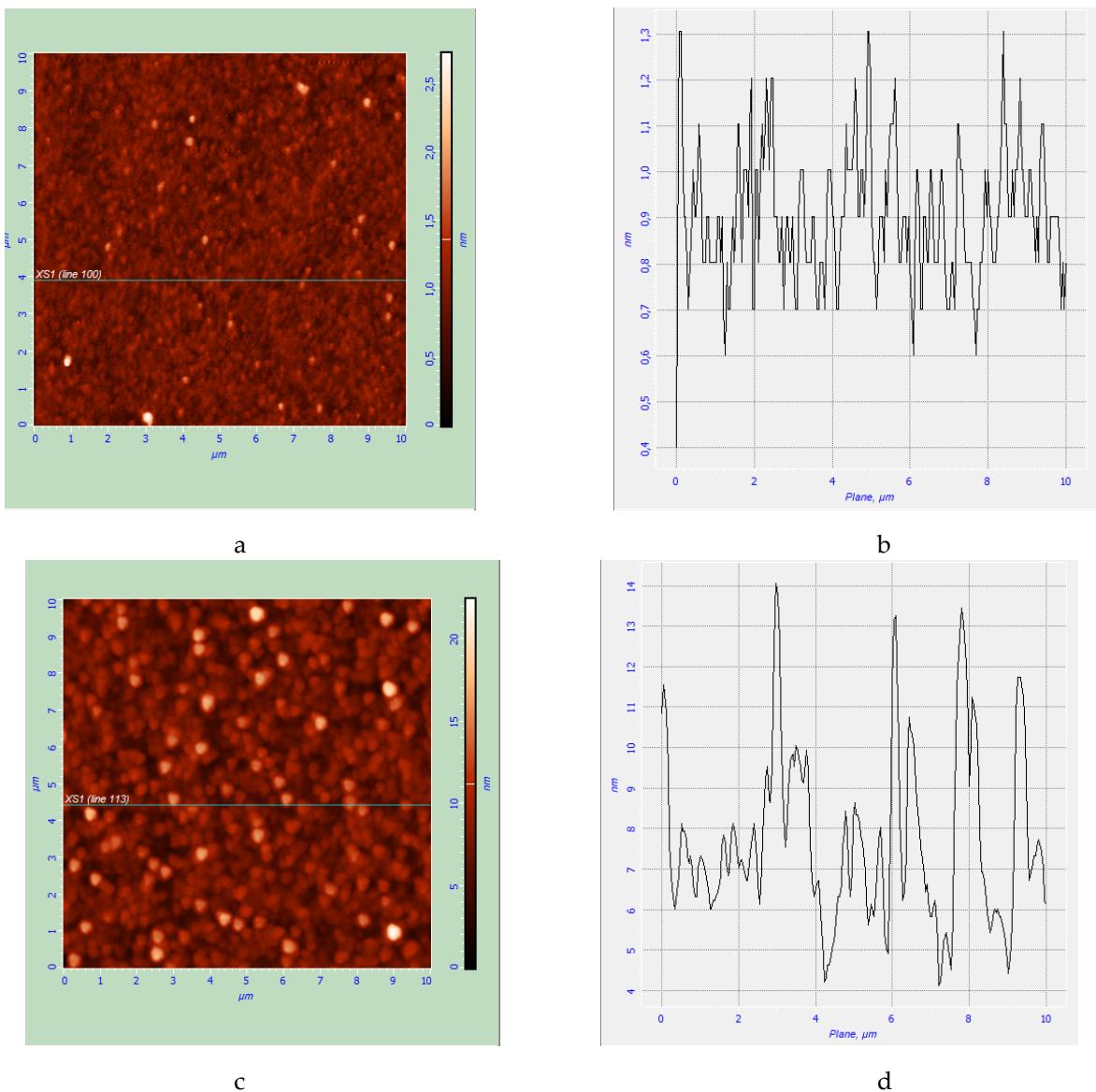


Figure S4. AFM image of the TiO₂ surfaces (**a, c**) and roughness profiles (**b, d**) for TiO₂ (**a, b**) and TiO₂/BiVO₄ (**b, d**) coatings.

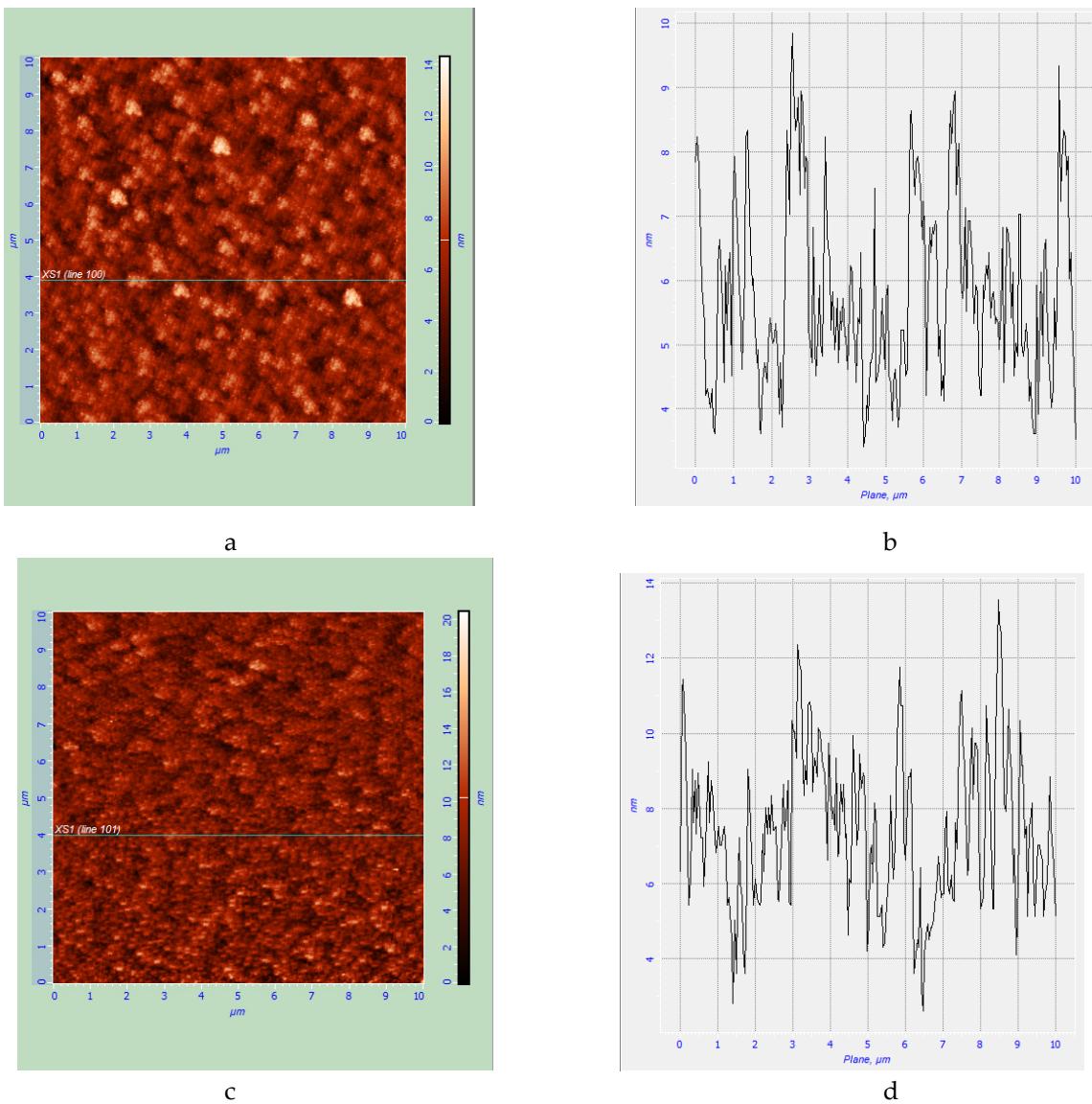


Figure S5. AFM image of the ZnO surfaces (a, c) and roughness profiles (b, d) for ZnO (a, b) and ZnO/BiVO₄ (b, d) coatings.

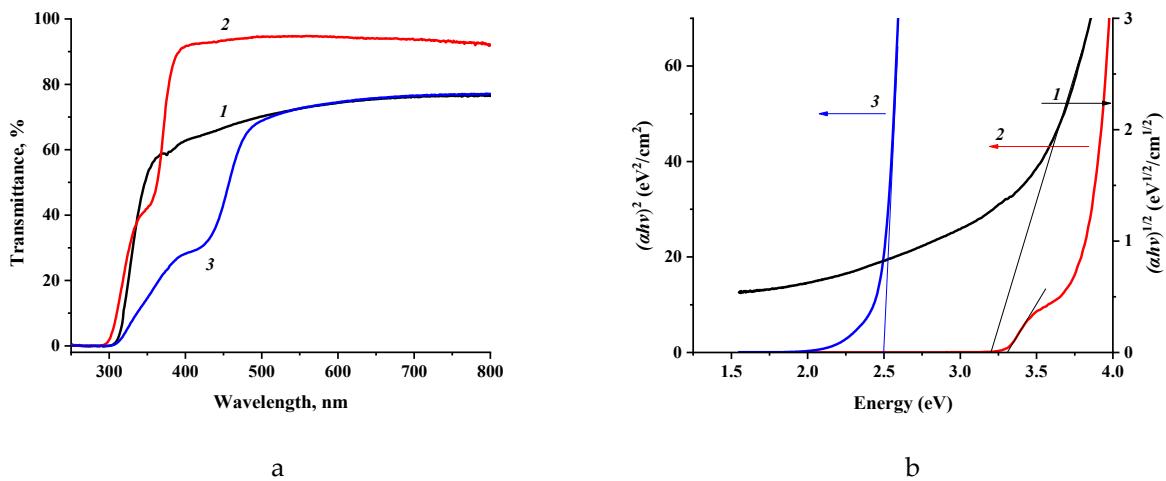


Figure S6. Transmittance spectra (a) and Tauc plots (b) for coatings' components: 1 – TiO₂, 2 – ZnO, 3 – BiVO₄.

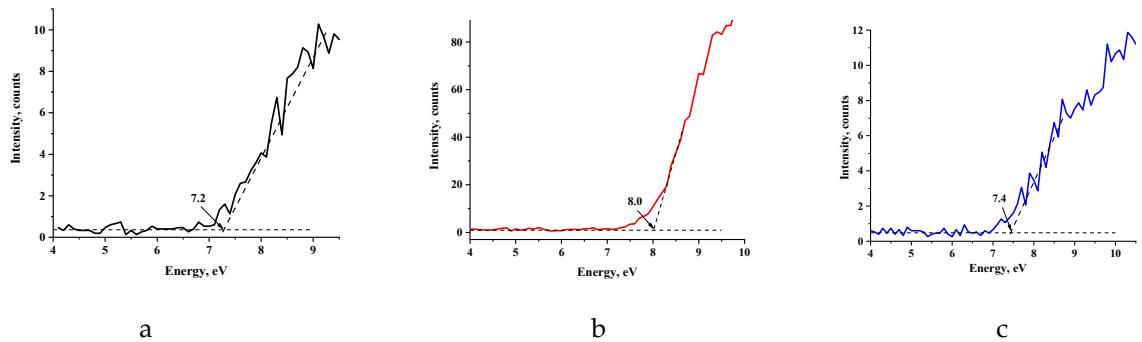


Figure S7. Calibrated XPS spectra of valence band region for coatings' components: **a** – TiO_2 , **b** – ZnO , **c** – BiVO_4 .

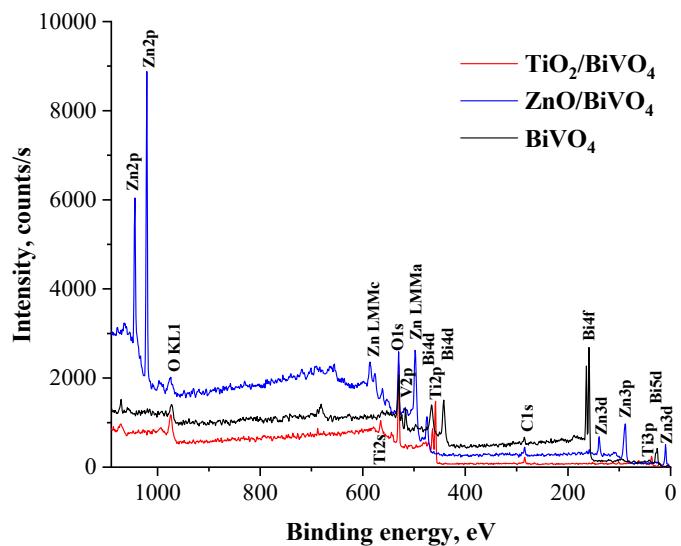


Figure S8. Survey XPS spectra of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{BiVO}_4$, ZnO/BiVO_4 and BiVO_4 .

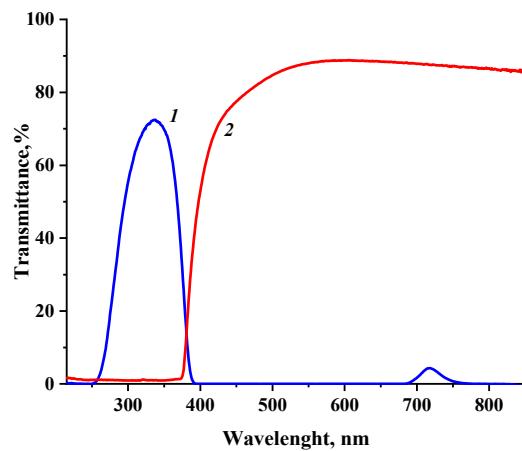


Figure S9. Transmittance spectra of UV band-pass (1) and Vis cut-off (2) filters (LOMO, Russia).