

Supplementary Material

Well-Defined Ultrasmall V-NiP₂ Nanoparticles Anchored g-C₃N₄ Nanosheets as Highly Efficient Visible-Light-Driven Photocatalysts for H₂ Evolution

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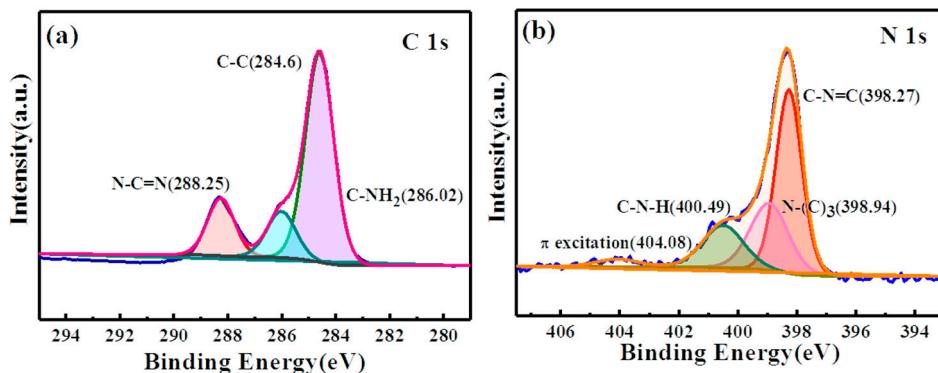


Figure S1. The XPS spectra of (a) C 1s, (b) N 1s for V-NiP₂/g-C₃N₄.

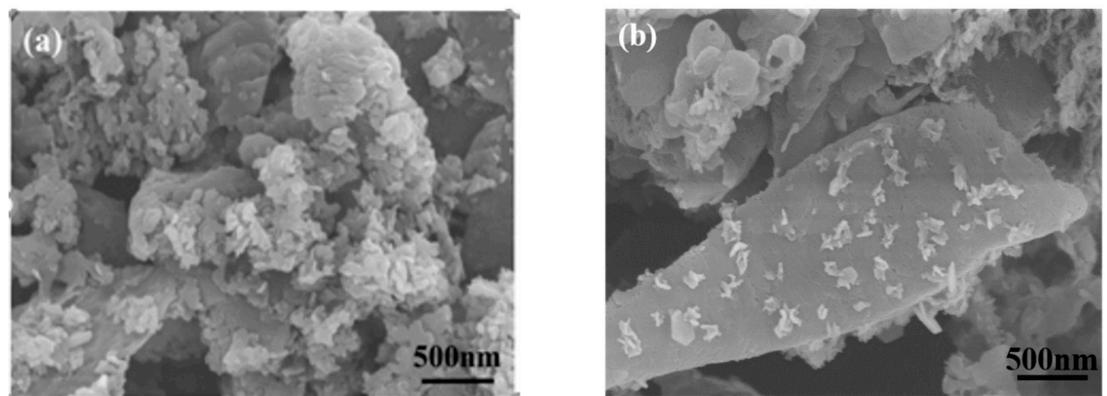


Figure S2. SEM of (a) $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$, (b) $\text{V-NiP}_2/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$

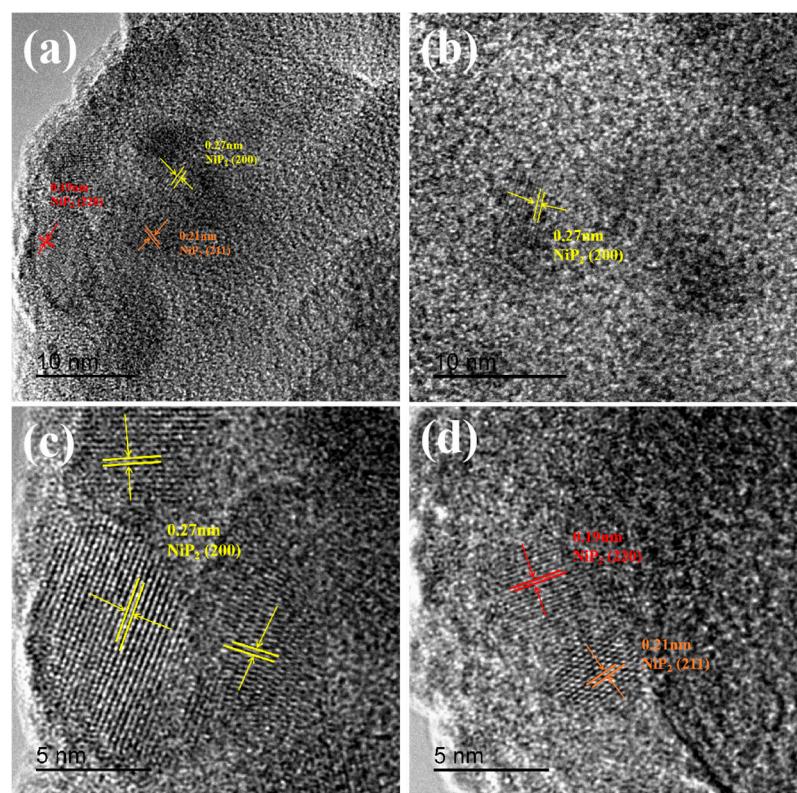


Figure S3. HRTEM of $\text{V-NiP}_2/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$

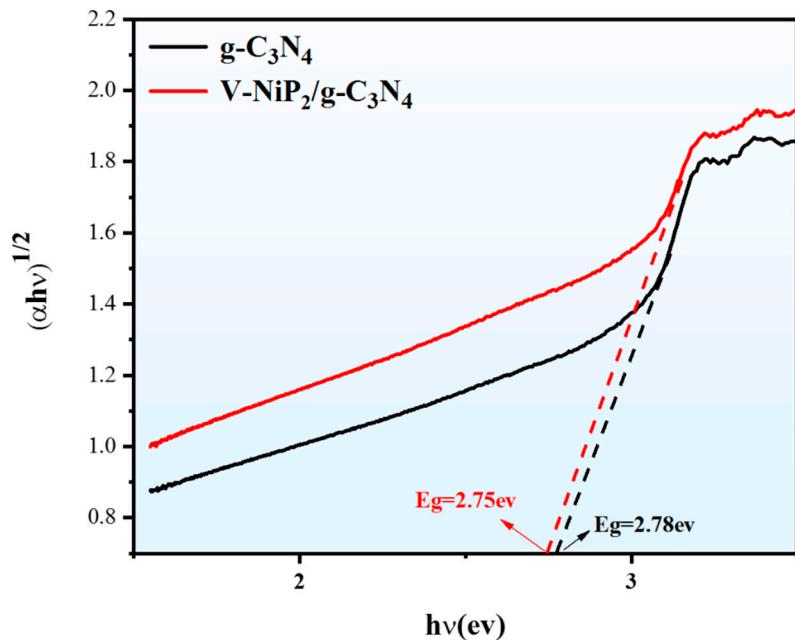


Figure S4. The banding energy of pure $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ and $\text{V-NiP}_2/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$

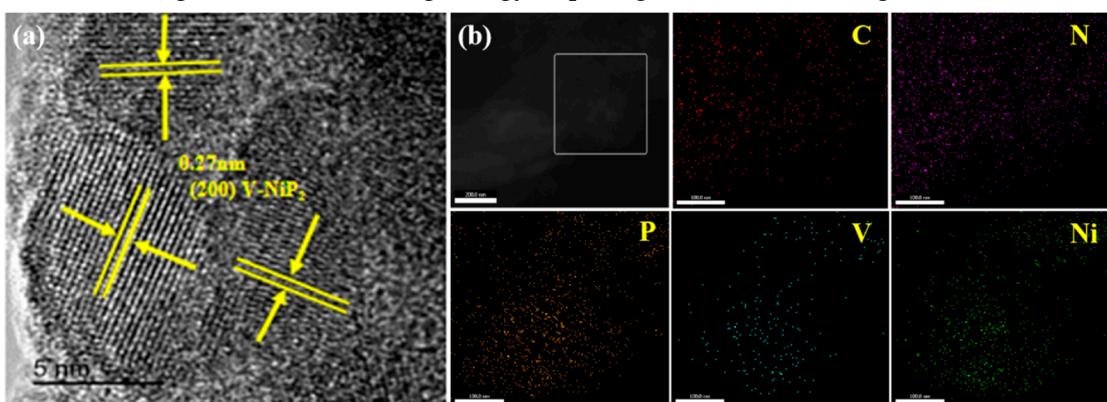


Figure S5. HRTEM and elemental mapping of $\text{V-NiP}_2/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ after test

Table S1. Summary of the Photocatalytic H_2 Evolution on $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ -Based Photocatalysts

| photocatalysts | Co-catalysts | Light Source | Activity ($\mu\text{mol h}^{-1} \text{g}^{-1}$) | reference |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---|-----------|
| $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | V-NiP_2 | 300 W | 356.7 | This work |
| $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | Co_2P | 300 W | 128.4 | 23 |

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|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|----|
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | FeP | 300 W | 177.9 | 26 |
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | MoP | 300 W | 327.5 | 27 |
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | NiP ₂ | 300 W | 105 | 30 |
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | Ni ₂ P | 300 W | 5.67 | 36 |
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | RP | 300 W | 2110 | 37 |
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | Ni | 500 W | 168.2 | 38 |
| $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$ | NiS | 150 W | 84 | 39 |