

Supplementary Material

Engineering Band Structure of SnO₂ Nanoparticles via Coupling with g-C₃N₄ Nanosheet for the Detection of Ethanolamine

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Computational Details

The band structure and density of states of the heterojunction formed by SnO₂ and g-C₃N₄ were analyzed theoretically. The Vienna Abinitio Simulation Package (VASP) and the super soft pseudopotential of the projection enhanced wave (PAW) are used to carry out density functional theory (DFT) calculation, and Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) is used as generalized gradient approximation (GGA) for commutative associated potential energy.[33] Other information can be referred to details (Supporting Information).

The Monkhorst Pack k-mesh of 4×4×4 for g-C₃N₄ (001) surfaces and 12×12×5 for SnO₂ (001) surfaces was used. The cut-off energy of the plane wave base is set to 400eV, and the total energy converges to 10⁻⁵ eV. When the residual force is less than 0.01 eV Å⁻¹, all atoms relax completely. The effective energy band structure and density of states (DOS) of g-C₃N₄, SnO₂ and g-C₃N₄/SnO₂ materials were obtain by processing the energy band calculation results based on the VASPKIT code.[34]

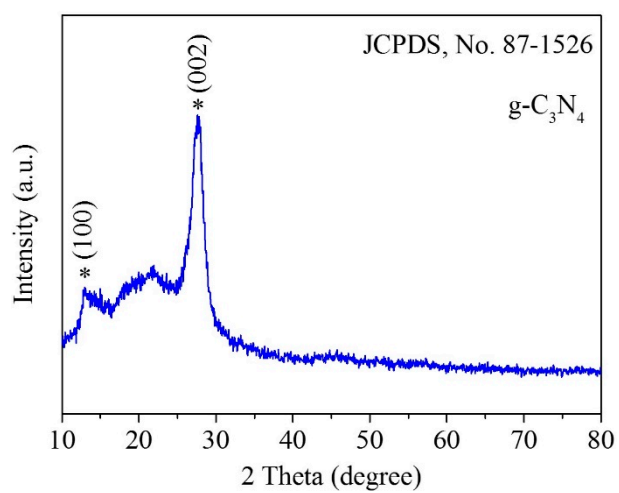


Figure S1 XRD patterns of g-C₃N₄

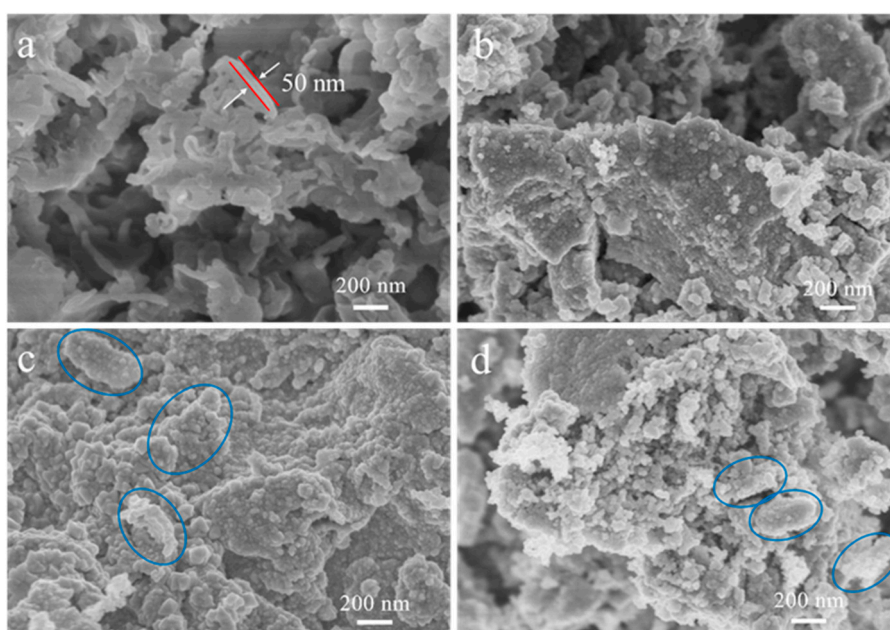


Figure S2 SEM images of as-synthesized materials (a) g-C₃N₄, (b) SnO₂, (c) g-C₃N₄/SnO₂-2.5 and (d) g-C₃N₄/SnO₂-10

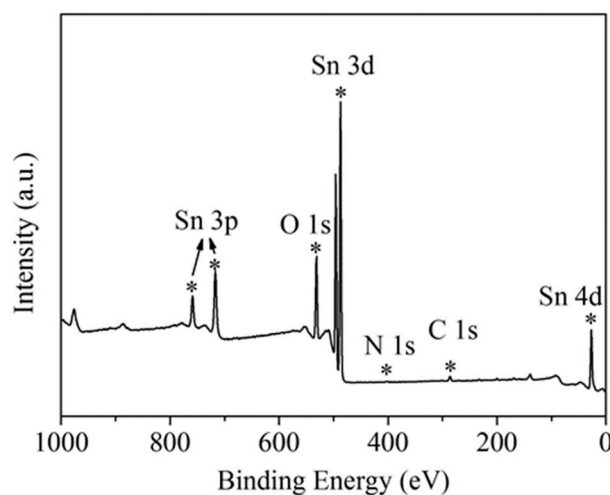


Figure S3 XPS spectra of the full range spectrum of g-C₃N₄/SnO₂-5 material

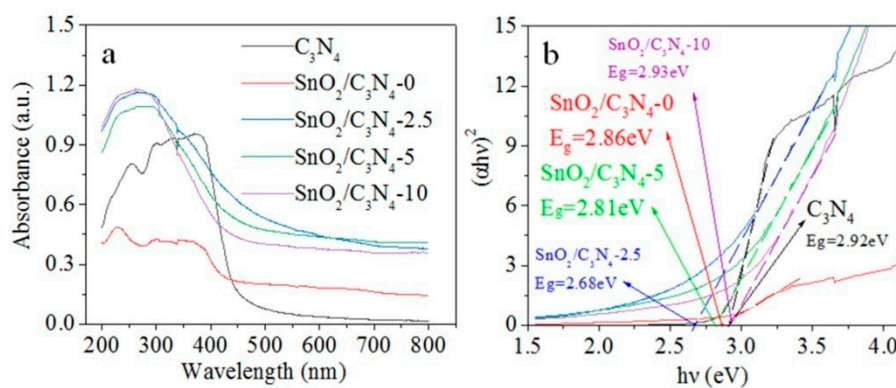


Figure S4 (a) UV-Vis absorption spectra of g-C₃N₄, SnO₂ and g-C₃N₄/SnO₂ and (b) bandgap energy of g-C₃N₄, SnO₂ and g-C₃N₄/SnO₂

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