Fast microwave synthesis of gold doped TiO₂ assisted by modified cyclodextrins for photocatalytic degradation of dye and hydrogen production

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Figure S1. N_2 adsorption desorption isotherms of TiO₂-control (**a**) gold decorated titania materials prepared without CD (TiO₂@Au) (**b**) gold decorated titania materials prepared with HP- β -CD (TiO₂@Au-HP) (**c**) gold decorated titania materials prepared with RAME- β -CD (TiO₂@Au-RB) (**d**)



Figure S2. TEM images of TiO₂@Au catalyst at magnification of \times 62000



Figure S3. TEM images of (a) $TiO_2@Au-RB$ and (b) $TiO_2@Au-HB$ at magnification of \times 490 000



Figure S4. DRUV-Vis spectra of titania materials prepared by a two-step microwave heating procedure with HAuCl₄ in a second step but without CD and without ethanol



Figure S5. TGA profiles for the RAME- β -CD and the HP- β -CD



Figure S6. Evolution of methyl orange concentration under irradiation (λ =365 nm) as a function of time in the absence (open circle) or presence of the bare TiO₂ prepared by microwave process (filled circle). Reaction conditions: TiO₂, m = 10 mg; methyl orange solution, V = 4 mL (50 ppm)



Figure S7. Performance of TiO₂@Au-RB in three consecutive tests with reuse of the catalyst. Reaction conditions: 4 mL of a solution of methyl orange (50 ppm), 10mg of TiO₂@Au-RB $(\lambda=365 \text{ nm}, t=10 \text{ min})$:



Figure S8. Production of hydrogen by photoreduction of water (80mL) in the presence of $TiO_2@Au-RB$ (100 mg) and ethanol (20mL) as sacrificial agent (λ =365 nm):