

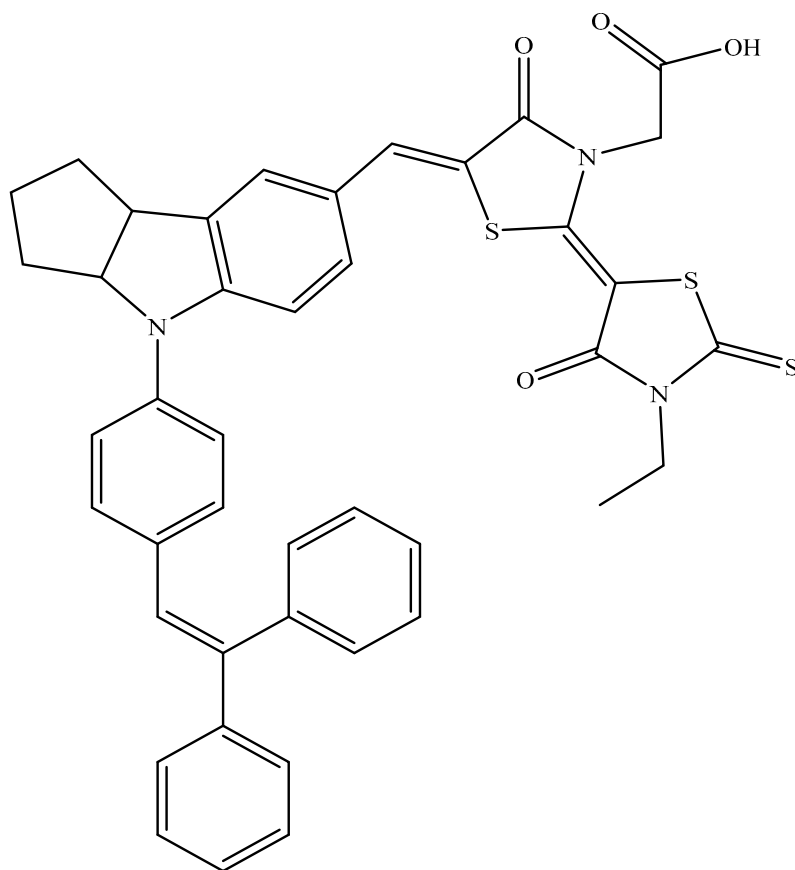
## **Supplementary Materials:**

**Table S1.** BET surface area, mean pore diameter, and total pore volume of two samples.

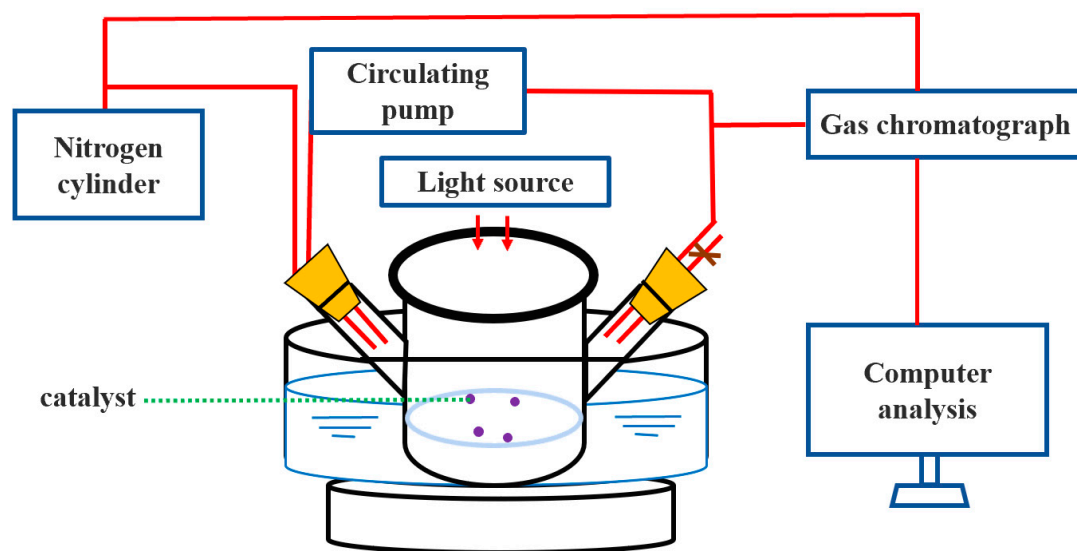
<b>Photocatalyst</b>	<b>BET surface area (m<sup>2</sup>·g<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>Mean pore diameter (nm)</b>	<b>Total pore volume (cm<sup>3</sup>·g<sup>-1</sup>)</b>
pCN	15.3	37.8	0.10
D149/pCN	14.7	23.5	0.09

**Table S2.** Comparison of H<sub>2</sub> evolution rate of dye-sensitized g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> under visible light irradiation.

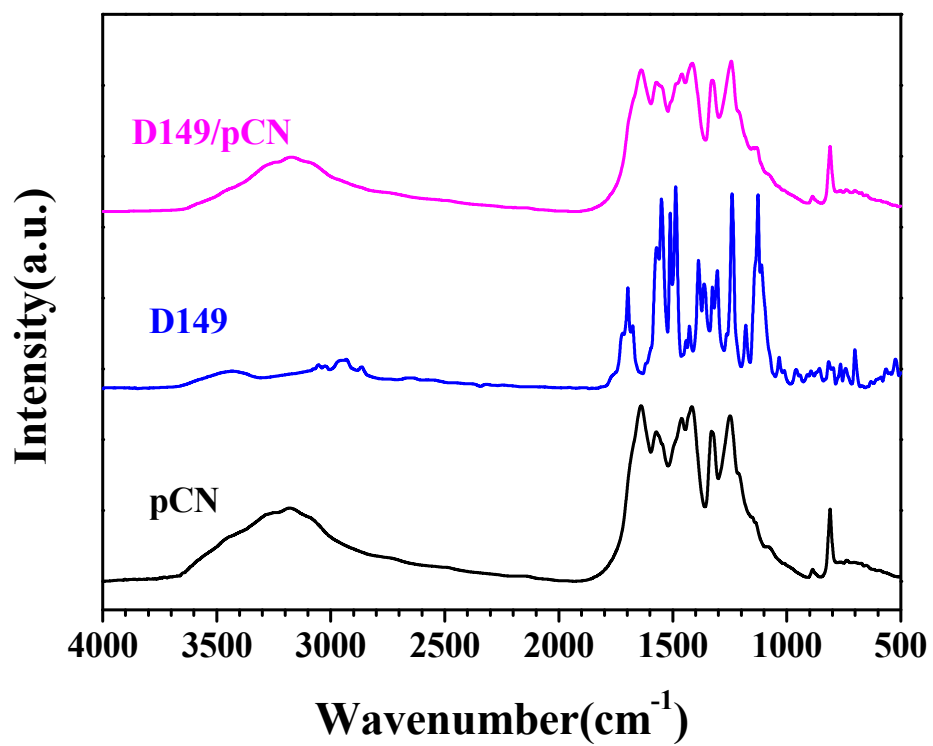
Catalyst	Light	Co-catalyst	Electron donor	H <sub>2</sub> Rate ( $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ )	References
N3/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	1490.7	[31]
N719/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	2500.1	[31]
PY-1/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	AA	5508.1	[37]
Chlorin e6/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	1275.6	[39]
Protoporphyrin/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	1153.8	[40]
mTHPC/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	1041.4	[41]
Ppa/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	1093.0	[42]
Eosin Y/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	1810.0	[27]
MgPc/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	39.0	[79]
ErB/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	6525.0	[80]
Eosin Y/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	3850.0	[81]
D149/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	Xe 300 W	Pt	TEOA	2138.2	This work



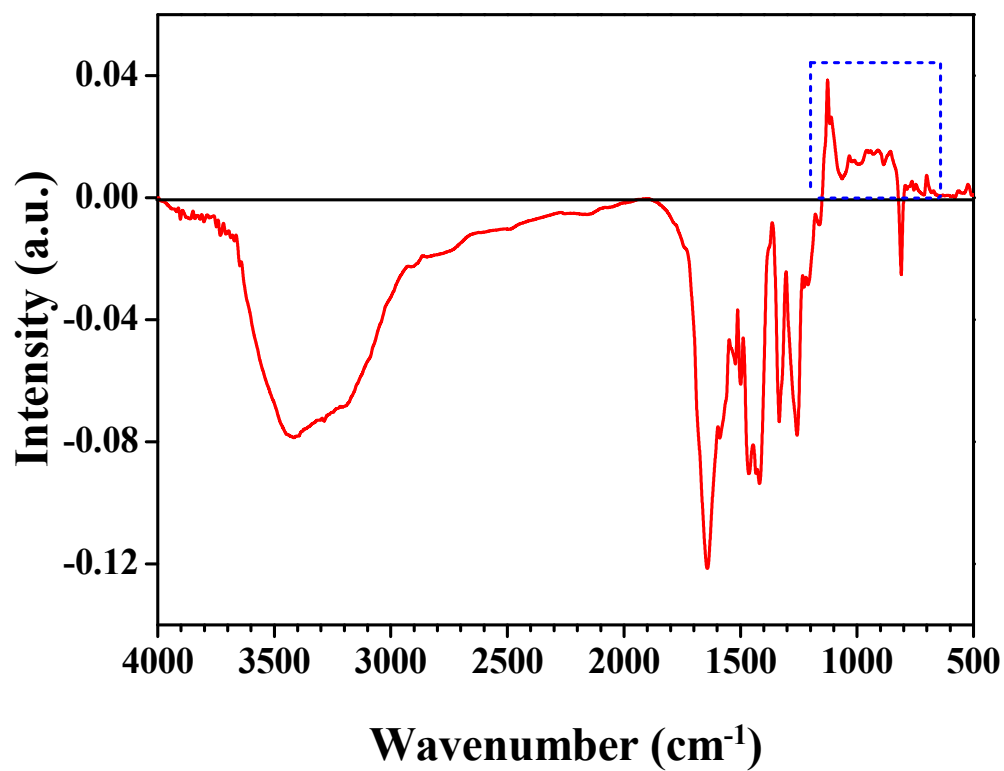
**Figure S1.** Chemical structures of D149 dye.



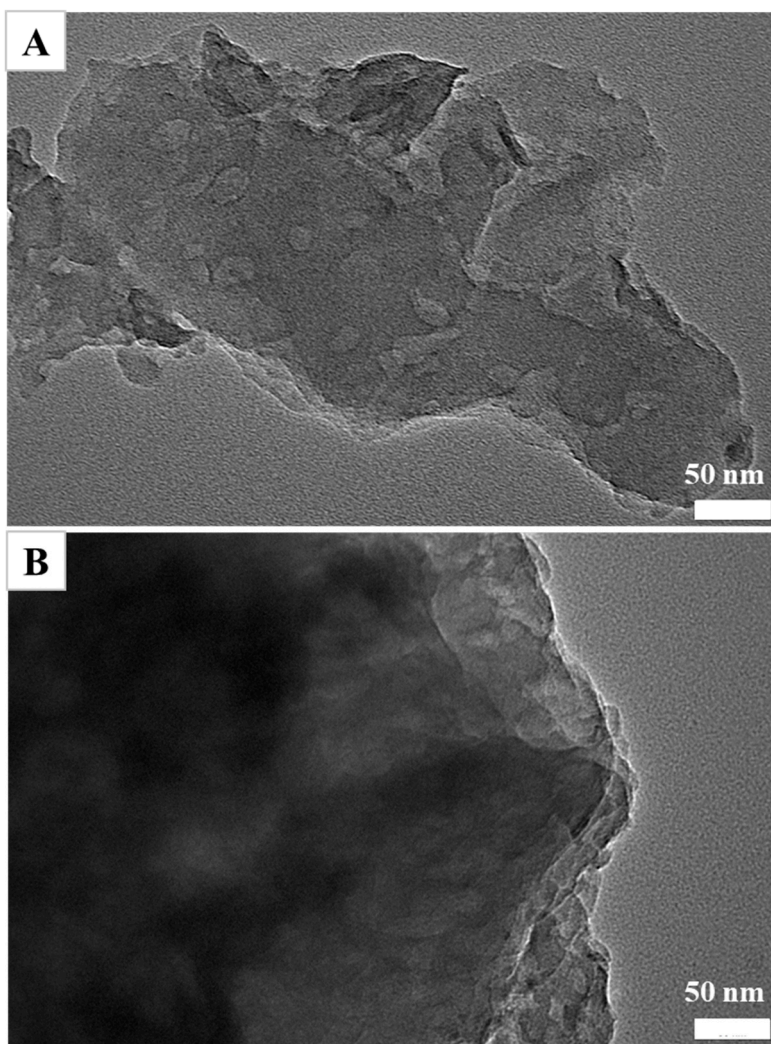
**Figure S2.** The schematic hydrogen production system.



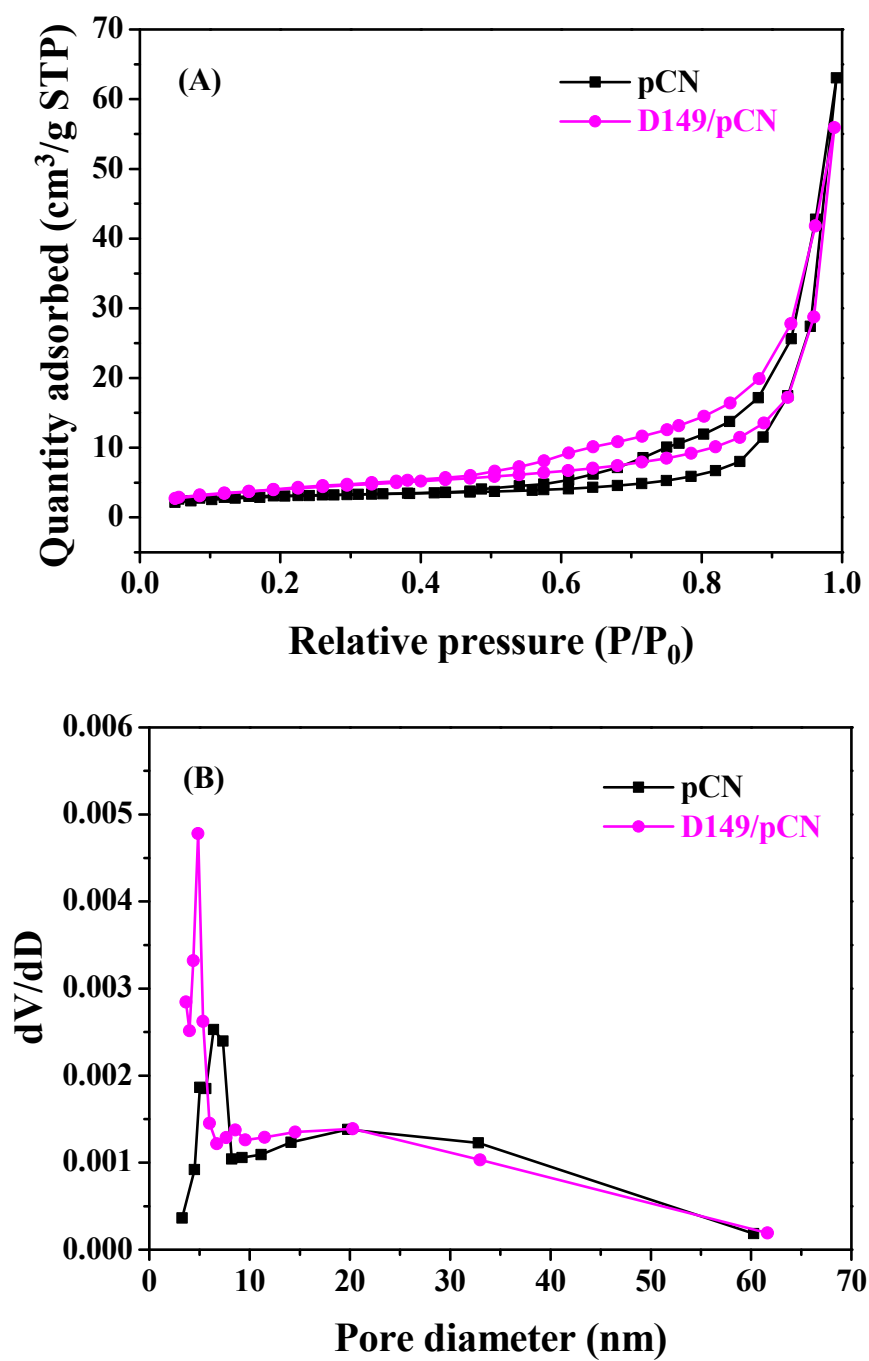
**Figure S3.** FT-IR spectra of pCN, D149, and D149/pCN.



**Figure S4.** The differential spectra obtained by subtracting the spectrum of pCN from D149/pCN.



**Figure S5.** TEM images of pCN (A) and D149/pCN (B).



**Figure S6.** (A)  $\text{N}_2$  adsorption-desorption isotherms and (B) pore diameter distribution curves from BJH adsorption curves of pCN and D149/pCN.



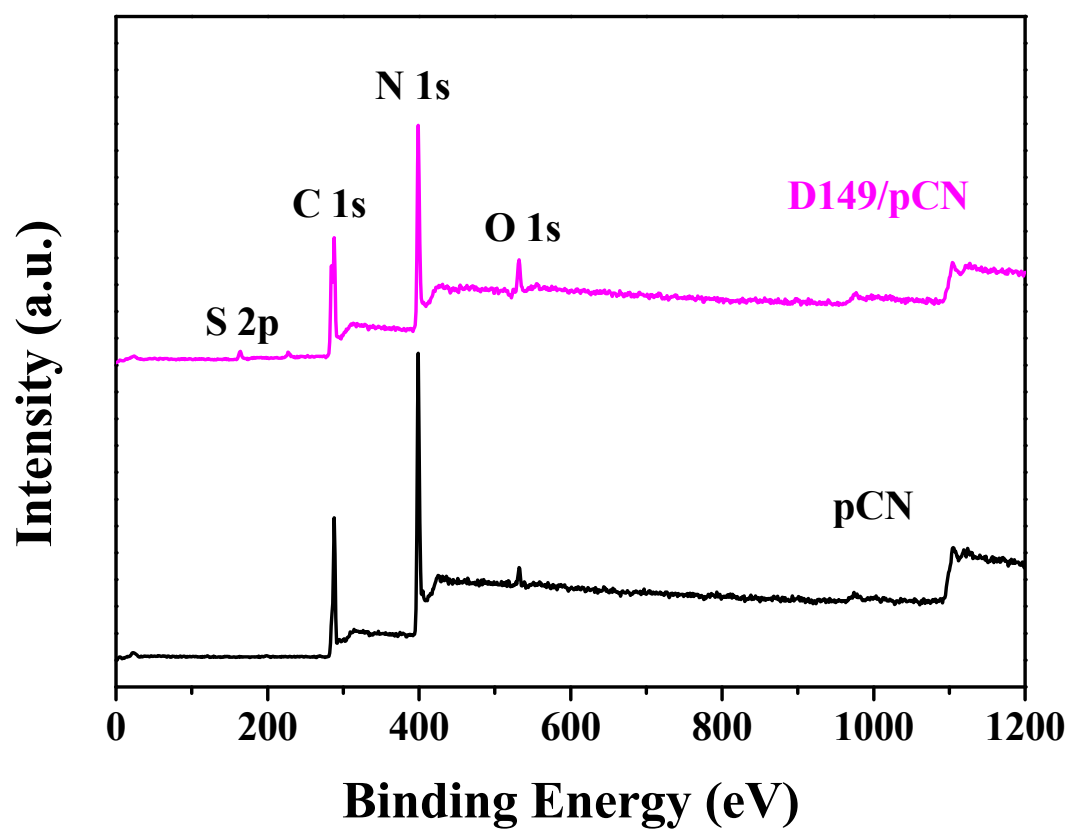
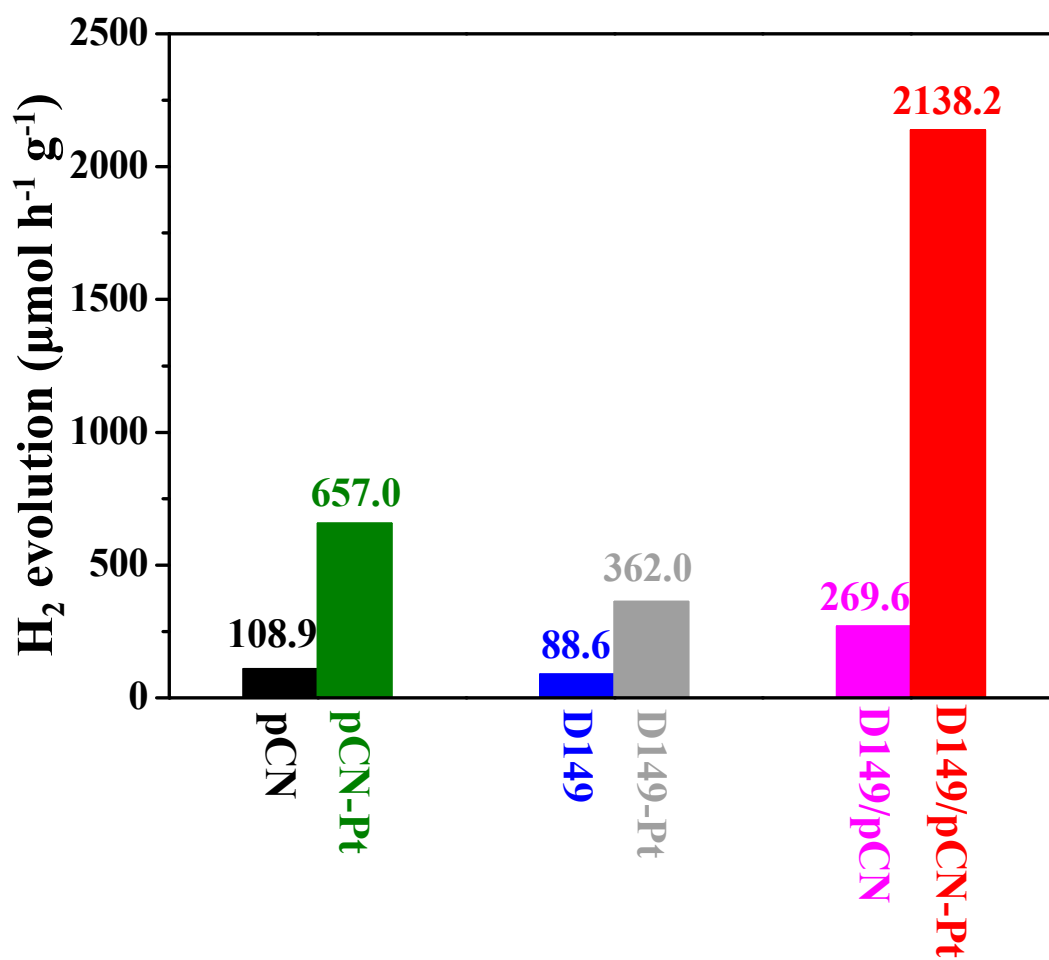
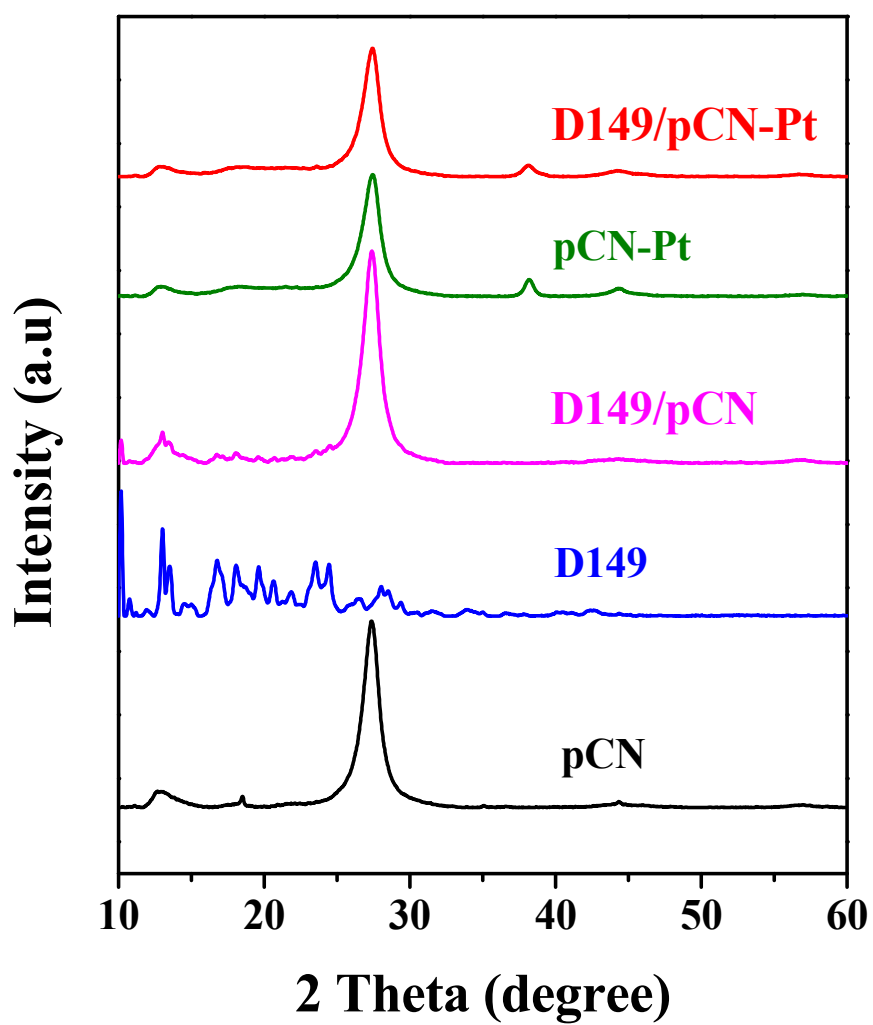


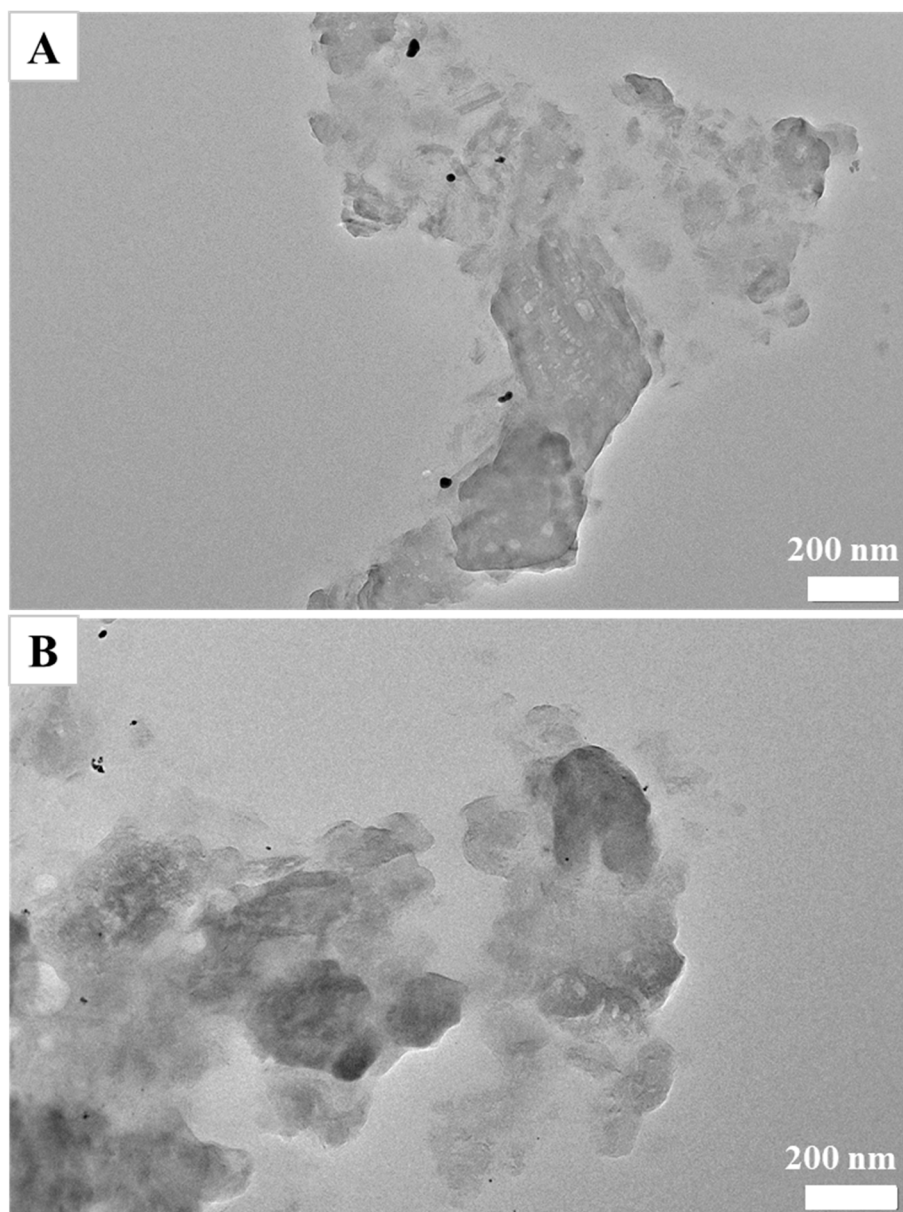
Figure S7. XPS survey spectra of pCN and D149/pCN.



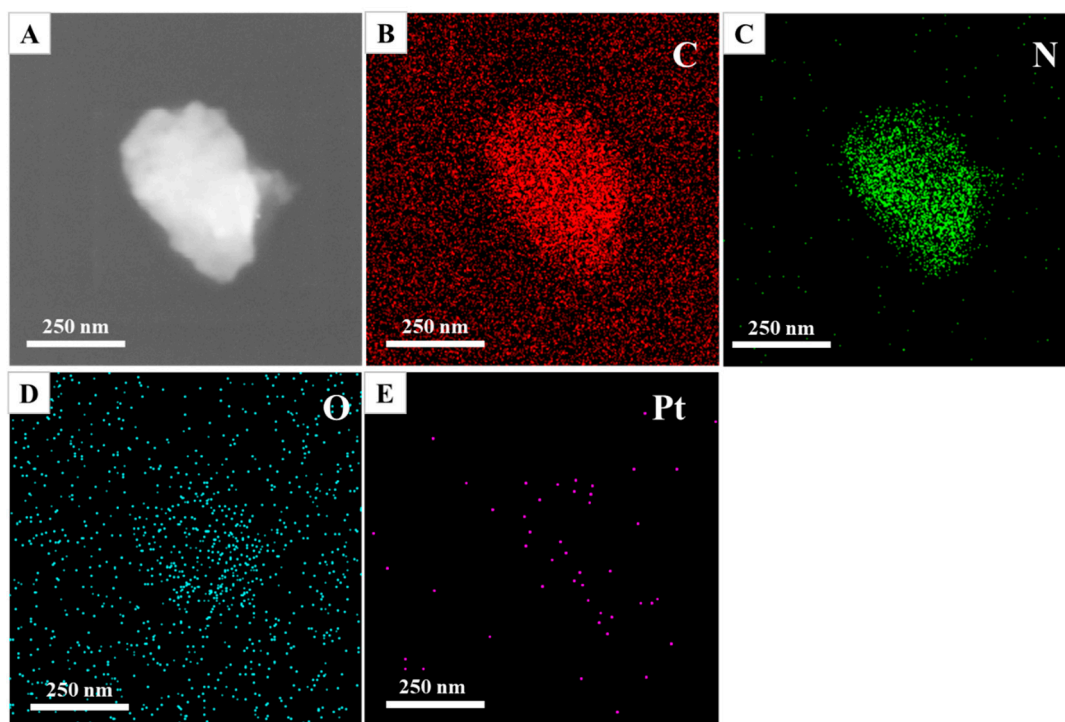
**Figure S8.** average H<sub>2</sub> evolution rates of the three samples with and without Pt in 4 h under visible light ( $\lambda > 420$  nm).



**Figure S9.** XRD patterns of pCN, D149, D149/pCN, pCN-Pt, and D149/pCN-Pt.



**Figure S10.** TEM images of pCN-Pt collected after reaction for one time (A) and D149/pCN-Pt collected after the recyclability test (B).



**Figure S11.** A typical STEM image of pCN-Pt collected after reaction for one time (A) and EDX mapping images of C (B), N (C), O (D), and Pt (E).

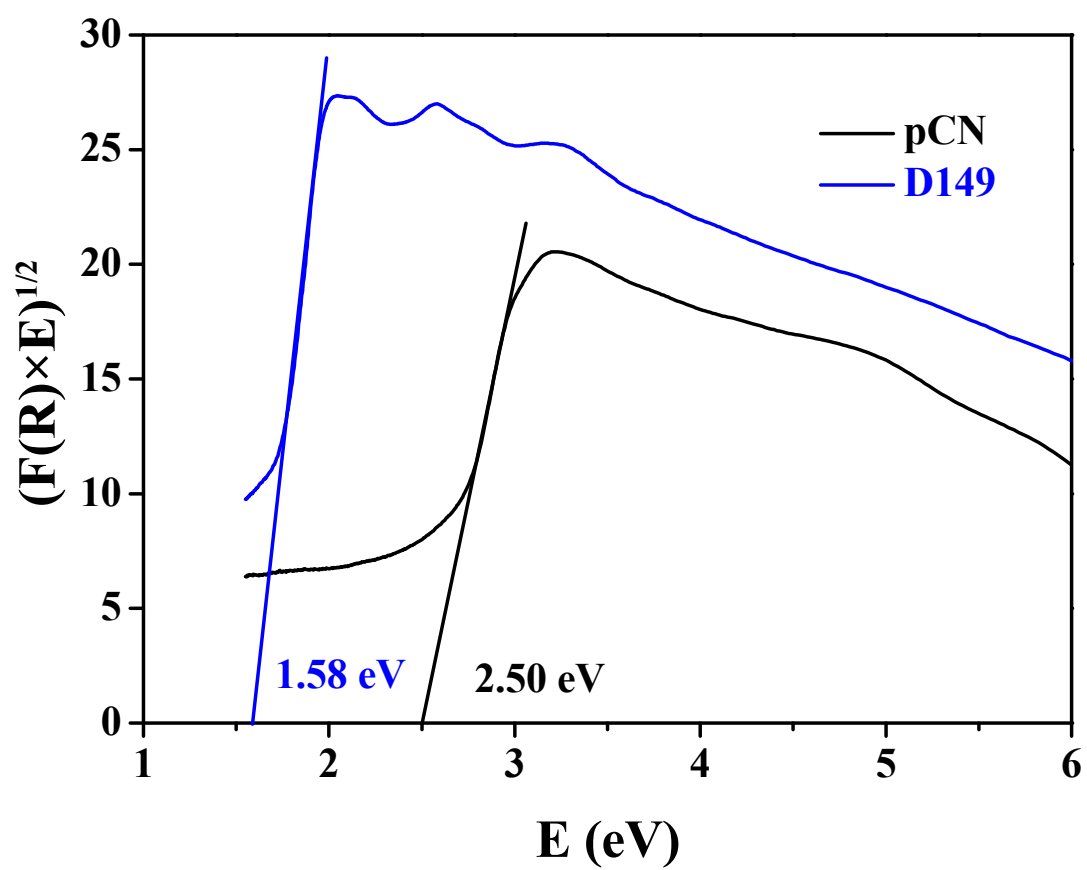


Figure S12. Band gap curves of pCN and D149.

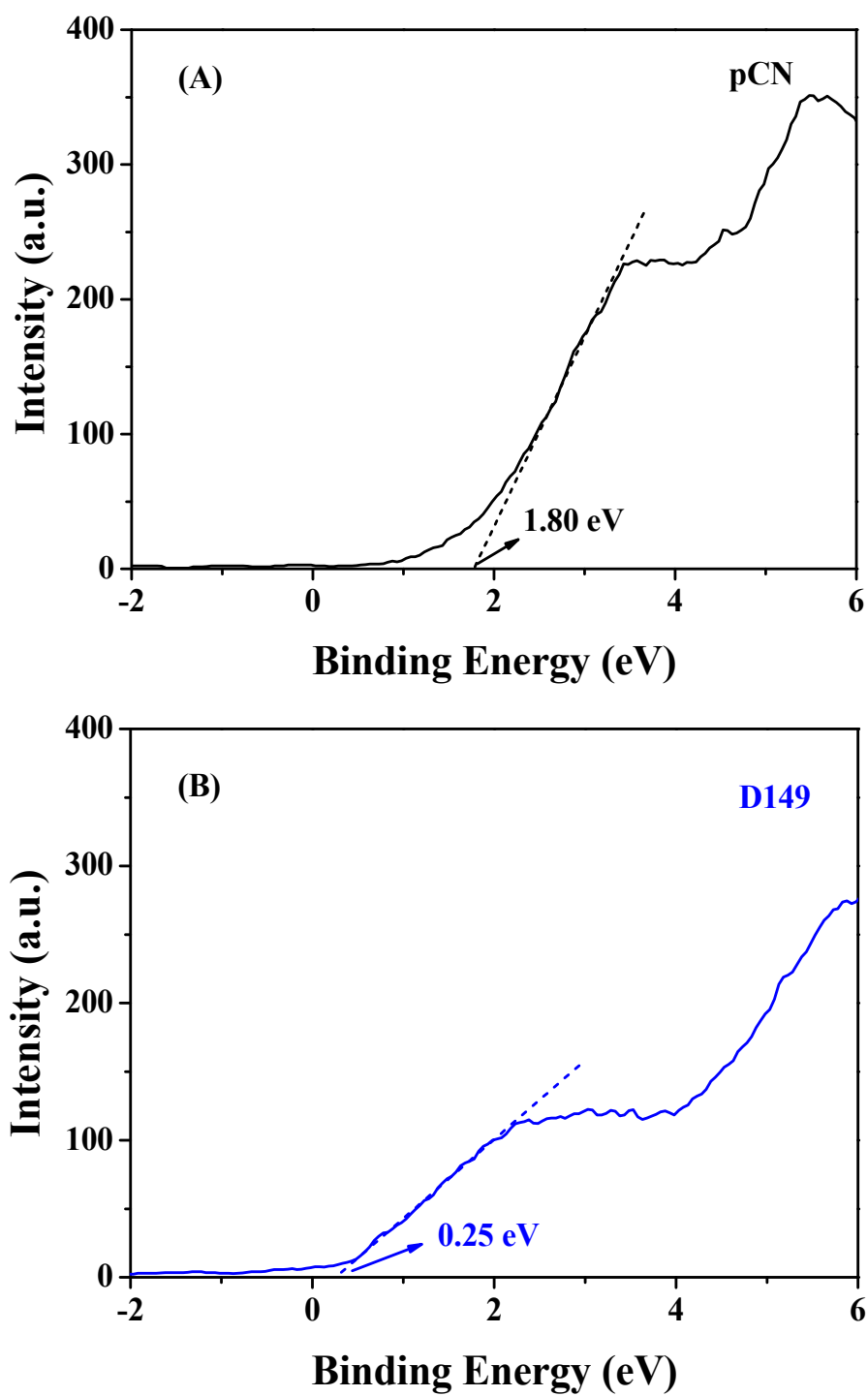


Figure S13.  $E_{VB}$  values of pCN (A) and D149 dye (B).