

Supporting Information

Metal-Free Visible-Light Photoactivated C₃N₄ Bubble-Propelled Tubular Micromotors with Inherent Fluorescence and On/Off Capabilities

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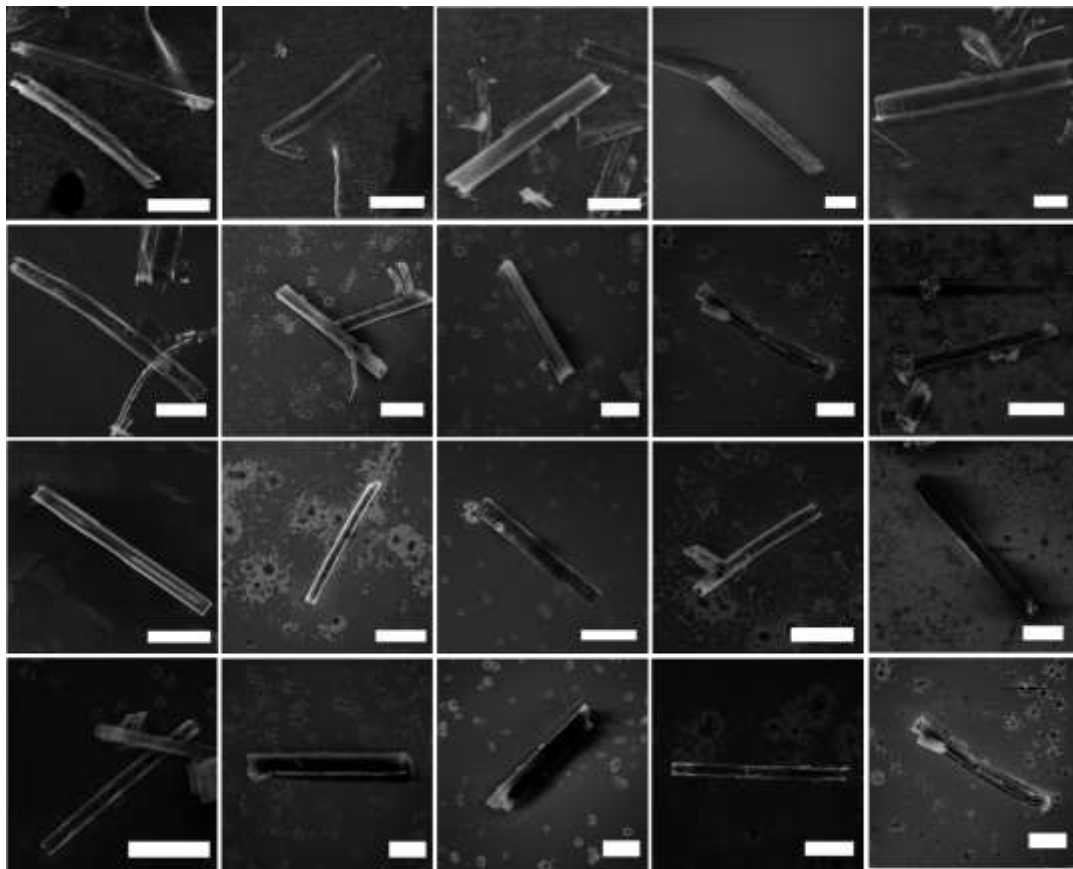
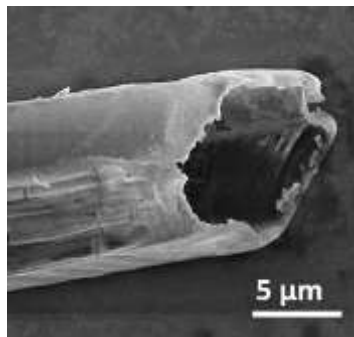


Figure S1. SEM image of the tube cavity of a GCN micromotor (above) and SEM images of different micromotors, showing their size distribution (below), scale bars: 20 μm .

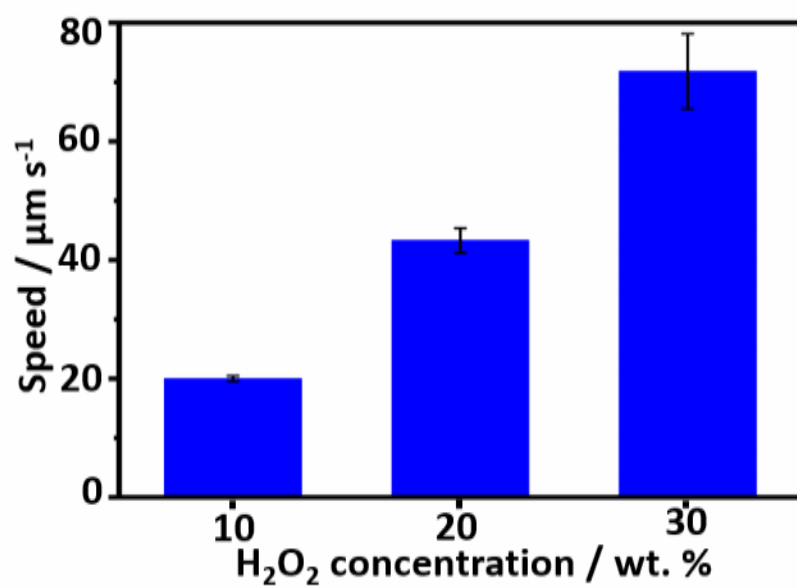


Figure S2. Speed of GCN micromotors at different H₂O₂ concentrations (n=7, error bars represent the standard error of the mean).

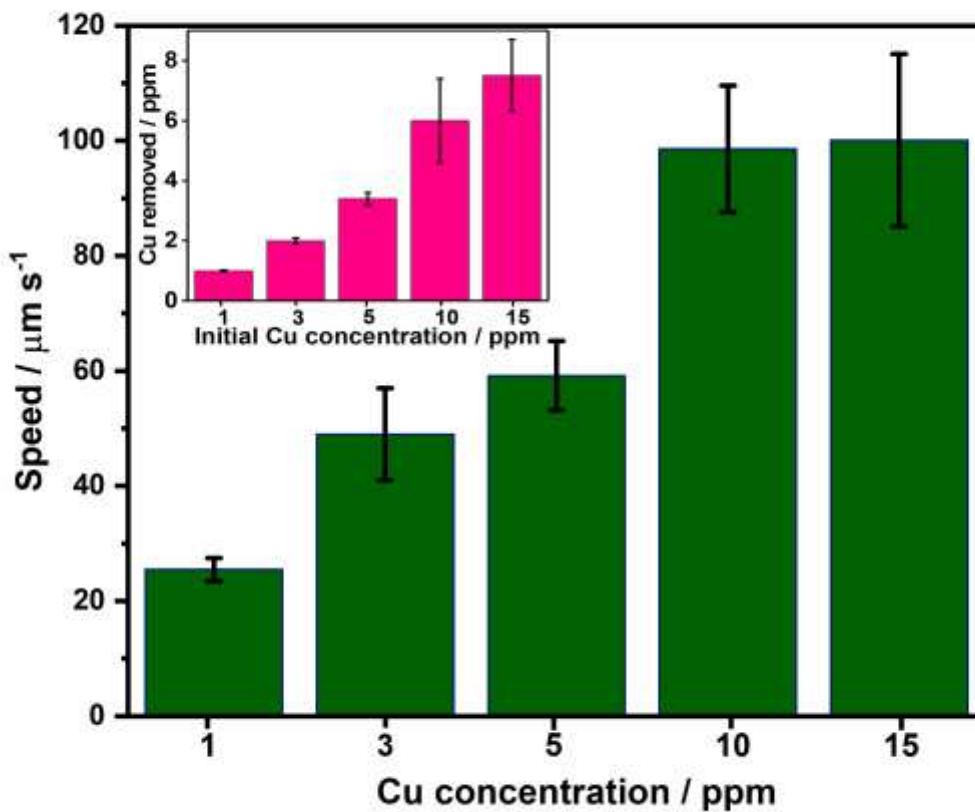


Figure S3. Speed of GCN micromotors at a 5 wt.% H_2O_2 concentration, 0.25 wt. % SDS and different Cu concentrations (1, 3, 5, 10 and 15 ppm) ($n=7$, error bars represent the standard error of the mean). Inset corresponds to the Cu removal efficiency of GCN micromotors in the presence of different Cu concentrations (1, 3, 5, 10 and 15 ppm) ($n=2$, error bars represent the standard error of the mean).

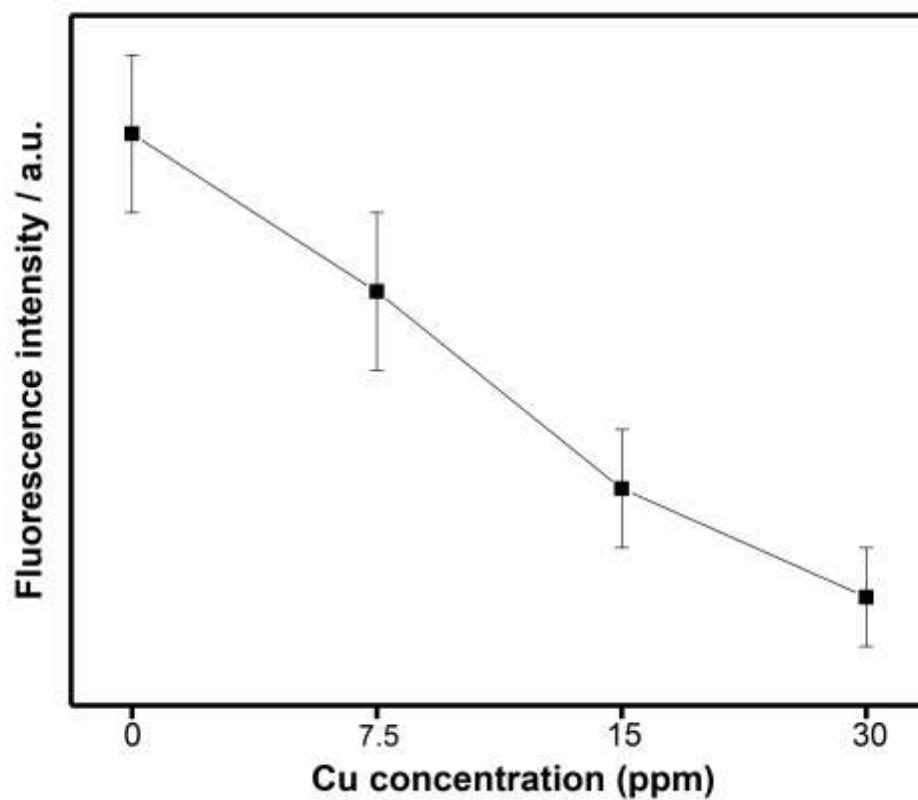


Figure S4. Fluorescence intensity decay of GCN micromotors in the presence of different Cu concentrations by fluorescent optical microscopy (n=10, error bars represent the standard error of the mean). The fluorescence intensity was estimated by Image pro 9 software.

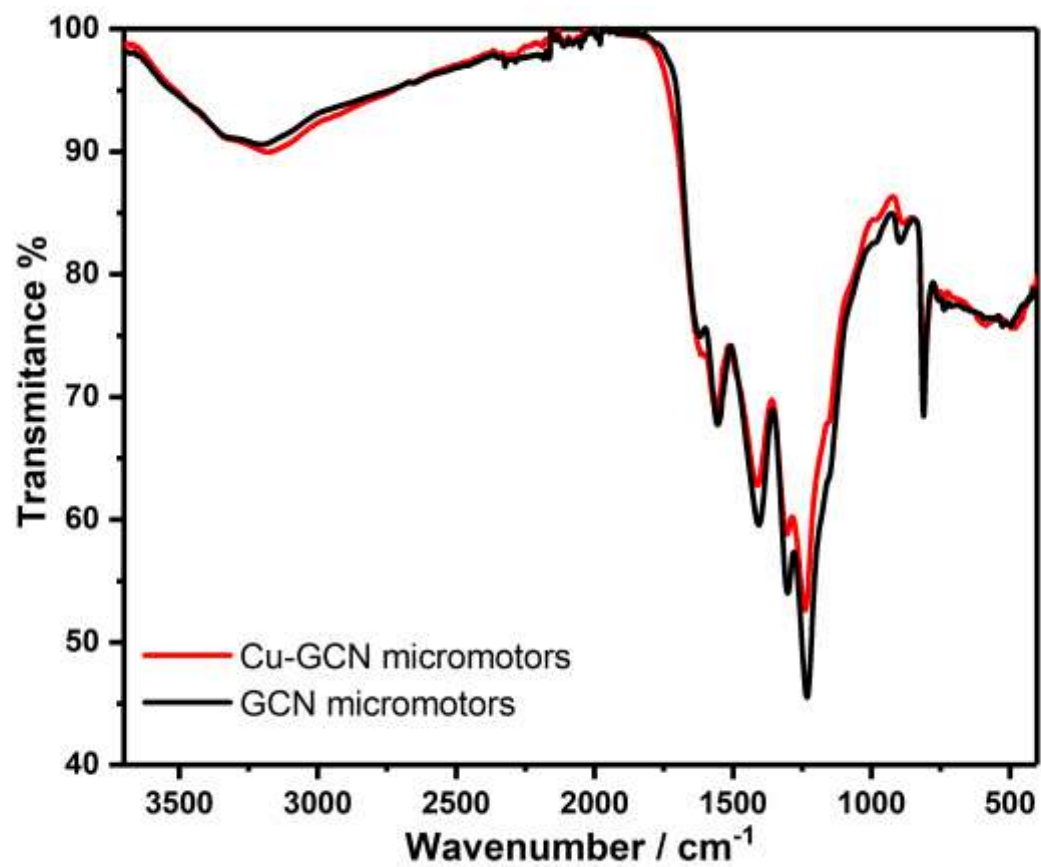


Figure S5. FTIR spectra of GCN micromotors before and after adsorption of Cu²⁺ ions.

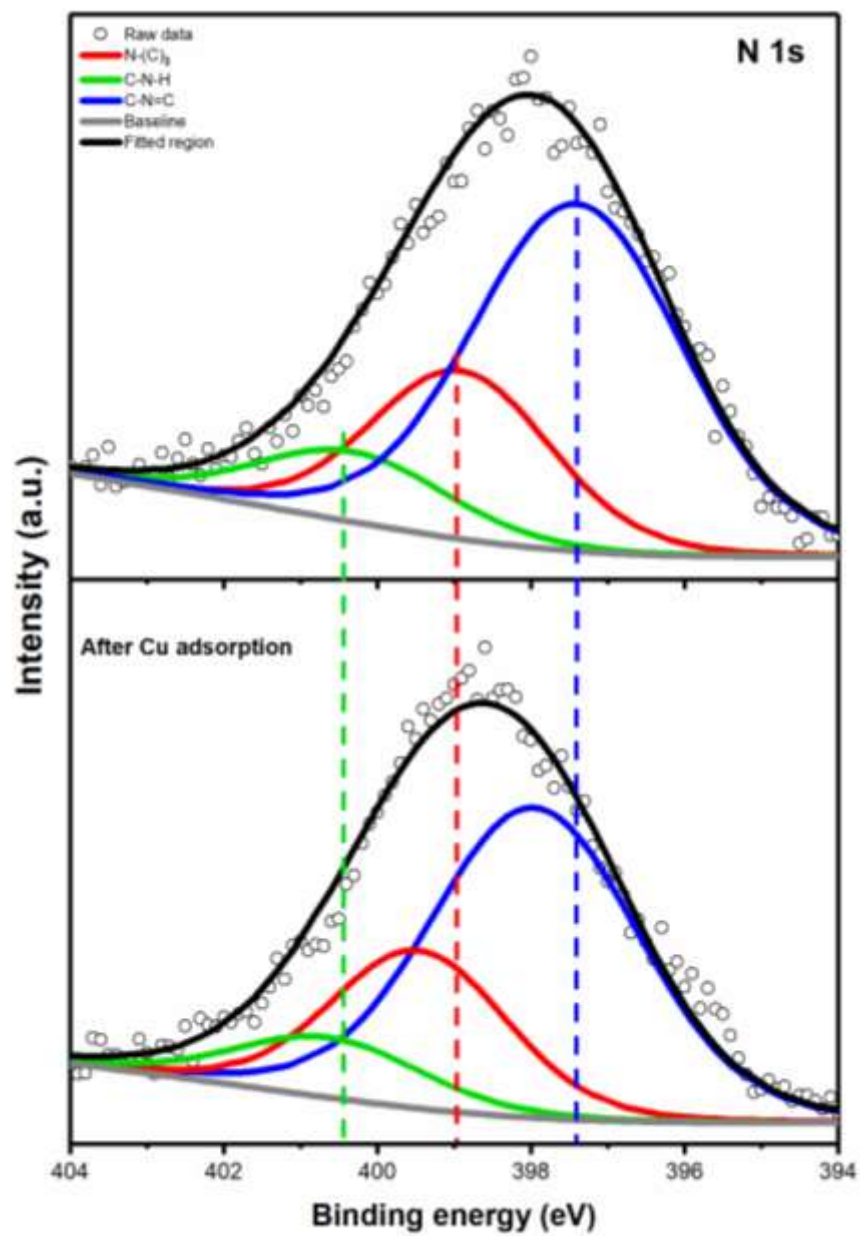


Figure S6. XPS spectra (N 1s region) of GCN micromotors before and after adsorption of Cu²⁺ ions.

Micromotor	Shape	Motion mechanism	Light source	Speed ($\mu\text{m s}^{-1}$)	Reference
TiO ₂ /Pt	Sphere	Self-electrophoresis	UV	9.7	1
TiO ₂ /Au	Sphere	Self-electrophoresis	UV	25.0	2
TiO ₂ /Si	Nanotree	Self-electrophoresis	UV	6.0	3
WO ₃ /Au	Sphere	Self-diffusiophoresis	UV	16.0	4
ZnO/Pt	Tubular	Bubble-propelled	UV	512.0	5
TiO ₂	Tubular	Bubble-propelled	UV	325.0	6
g-C ₃ N ₄ /Pt	Sphere	Self-diffusiophoresis	UV	23	7
TiO ₂ -Au/B	Sphere	Self-electrophoresis	Visible	10.0	8
Si/Au	Microrods	Self-electrophoresis	Visible	5	9
BiOI/Au	Sphere	Self-electrophoresis	Visible	1.62	10
CuO ₂ /Au	Sphere	Self-electrophoresis	Visible	6.0	11
g-C ₃ N ₄	Tubular	Bubble-propelled	Visible	72	This work
Non-photocatalytic micromotors					
Ti/Au-catalase	Tubular	Bubble-propelled	---	226	12
Pedot/Au-catalase	Tubular	Bubble-propelled	---	130	13

Table S1. Motion mechanism, light source and speed comparison of different light-driven photocatalytic-based micromotors and non-photocatalytic micromotors based on enzymes.

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