

Supporting Information

Engineering Homochiral MOFs in TiO₂ Nanotubes as Enantioselective Photoelectrochemical Electrode for Chiral Recognition

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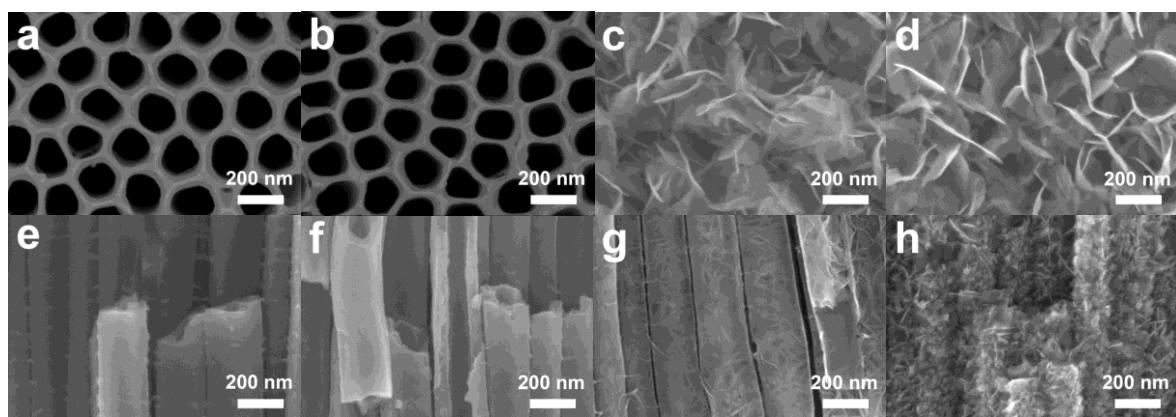


Figure S1. SEM images of (a, e) as-prepared TiO₂ NTs and TiO₂/MIL-125 NTs prepared by adding different amounts of HCl (0.1 M) into BDC-DMF solution for hydrothermal treatment: (b, f) 0 μ L, (c, g) 100 μ L, and (d, h) 200 μ L.

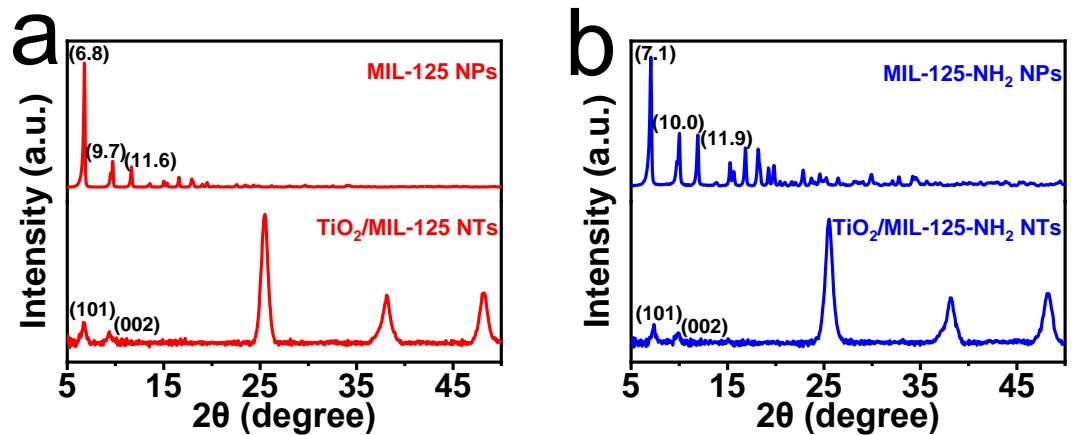


Figure S2. XRD patterns of (a) MIL-125 and TiO₂/MIL-125 NTs, and (b) MIL-125-NH₂ and TiO₂/MIL-125-NH₂ NTs.

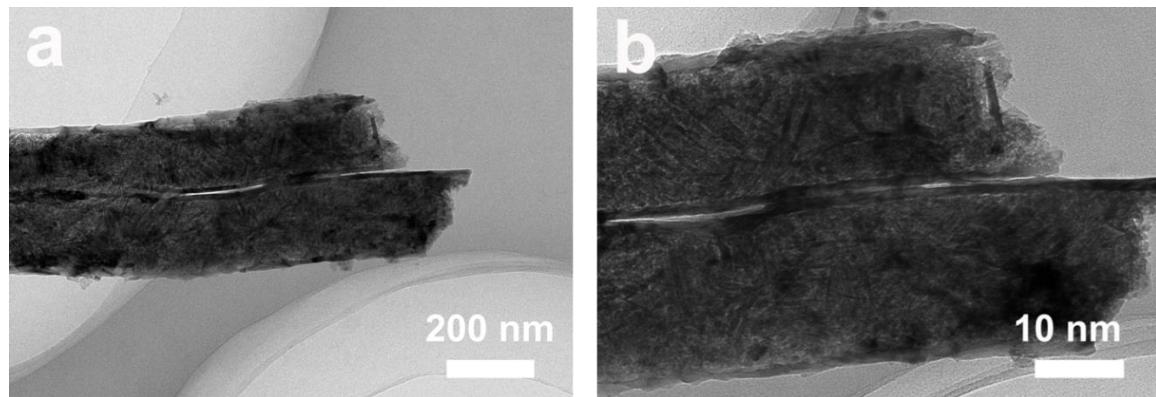


Figure S3. TEM images of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125-\text{NH}_2$ NTs.

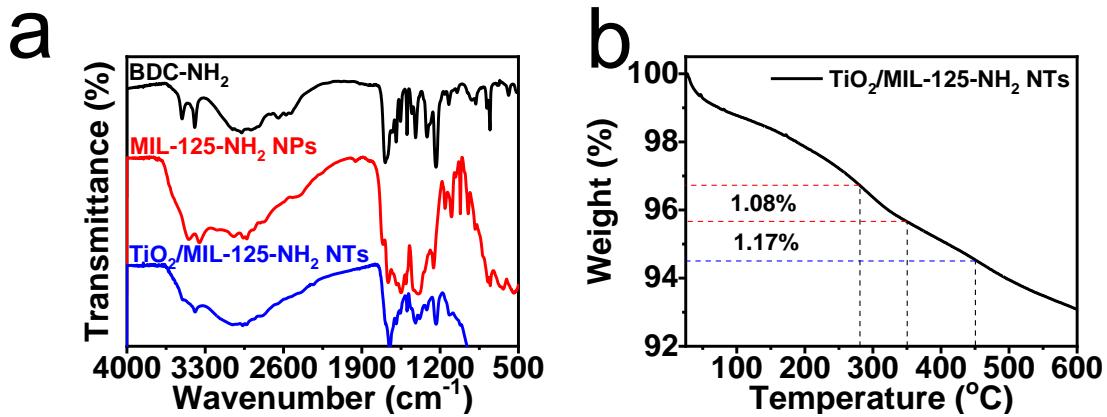


Figure S4. (a) FTIR spectra of TiO₂/MIL-125-NH₂ NTs, MIL-125-NH₂ NPs, and BDC-NH₂. (b) TGA curve of TiO₂/MIL-125-NH₂ NTs (heating rate of 10 °C/min).

To determine the load of MIL-125-NH₂ on the resulted sample, TiO₂/MIL-125-NH₂ NTs was investigated by thermogravimetric analysis (TGA). The first weight loss from 25 to 100 °C is attributed to methanol, which is used as a washing solvent (1.21 %). The weight loss from 100 to 280 °C can be attributed to the departure of DMF and the free guest molecules which are not combined (2.04 %). Considering MIL-125 decompose (weight loss 1.17%) in the temperature range from 350 to 450 °C,^[S1] the weight loss (1.08 %) in the temperature range from 280 to 350 °C can be attributed to the decomposition of MIL-125-NH₂. This result suggests that ~50% MIL-125 was transferred to MIL-125-NH₂ via the ligands exchange technique.

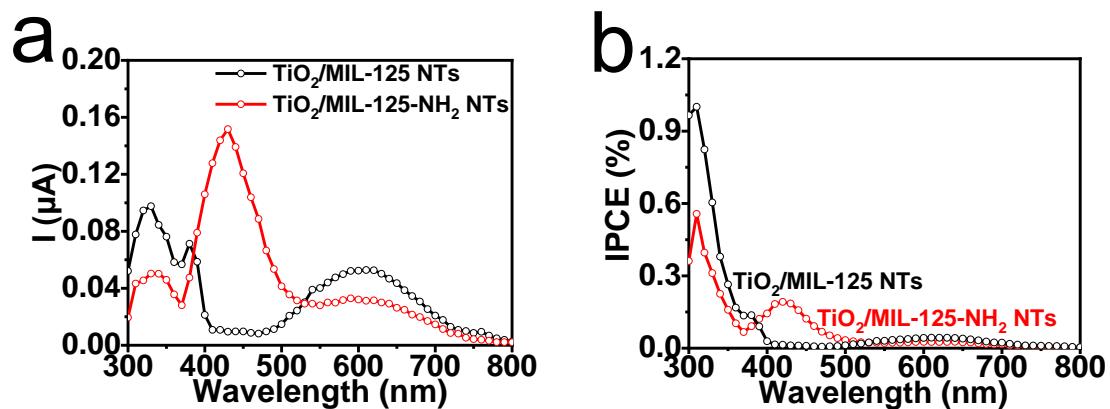


Figure S5. (a) Photocurrent spectra and (b) the corresponding IPCE of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125$ NTs and $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125-\text{NH}_2$ NTs. The photocurrent spectra were measured using a xenon lamp (500 W) equipped with a monochromator. All tests were performed at room temperature in a 0.1 M Na_2SO_4 at a bias potential of 0.5 V in the wavelength range of 300-800 nm (with 10 nm steps).

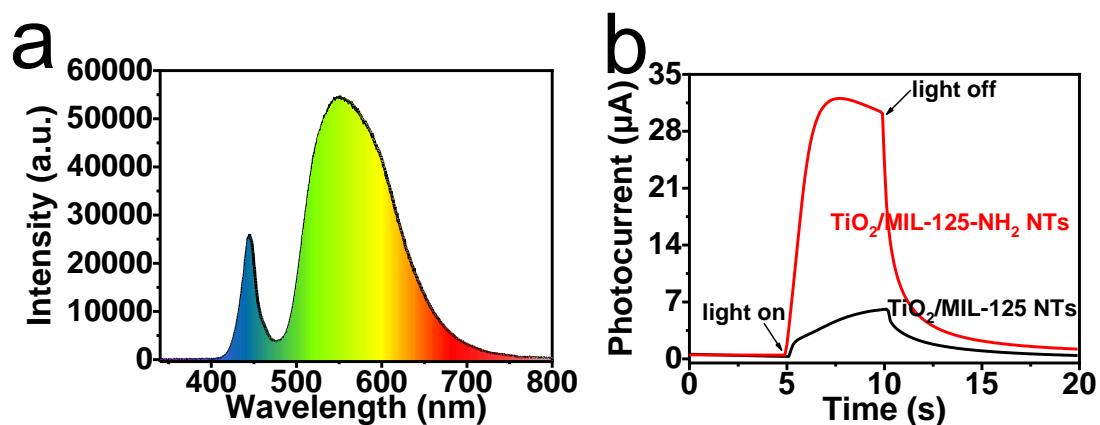


Figure S6. (a) Emission spectra of LED light used in this study. (b) Comparison of photocurrent response of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL-125}$ NTs and $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL-125-NH}_2$ NTs based electrodes under LED-light irradiation (50 mW/cm^2). The PEC measurements were performed in $0.1 \text{ M Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ at a bias of +0.5 V.

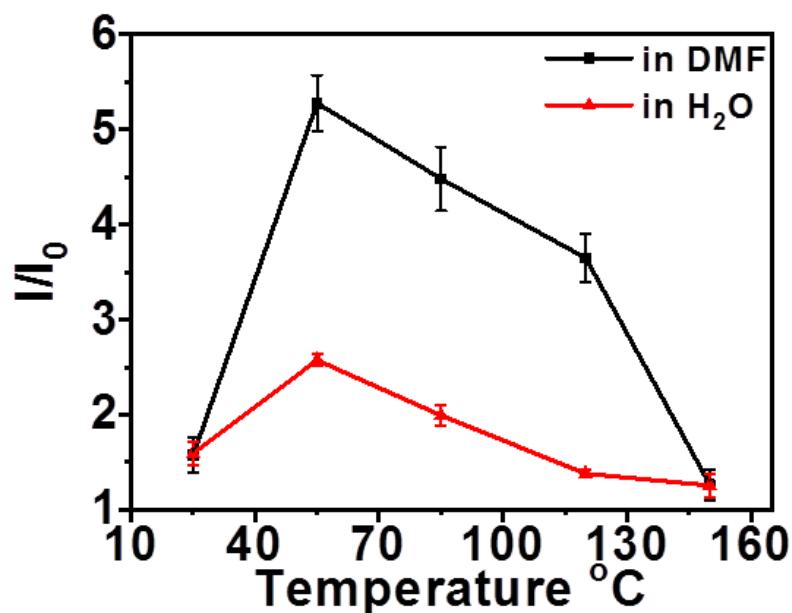


Figure S7. Photocurrent response of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125$ NTs based PEC electrodes after undergoing ligand-exchange reaction for 12 h in DMF or H_2O electrolyte containing 2.5 mM BDC-NH_2 at different temperatures.

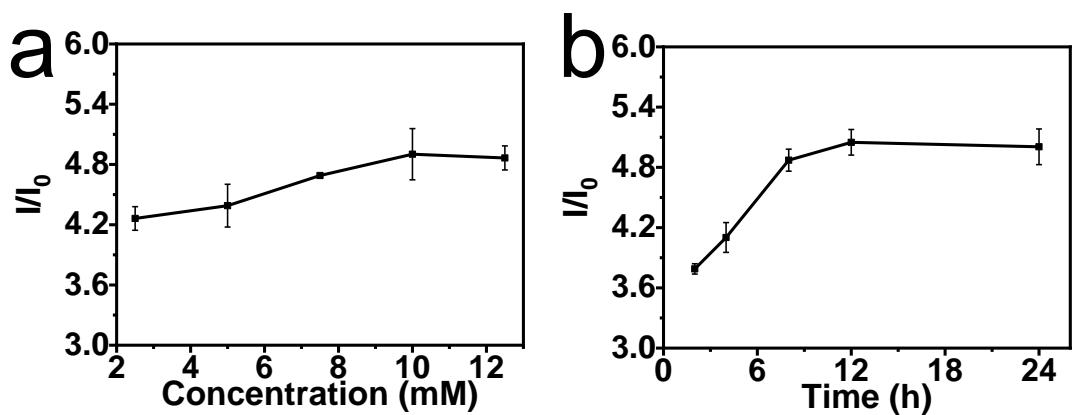


Figure S8. (a) Photocurrent response of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125$ NTs based PEC electrodes after undergoing ligand-exchange reaction for 12 h at 55 °C in DMF electrolyte containing different concentrations of BDC-NH_2 . (b) Photocurrent response of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125$ NTs based PEC electrodes after undergoing ligand-exchange reaction at 55 °C in DMF electrolyte containing 10.0 mM BDC-NH_2 for different time periods.

Table S1. Atomic concentration table of TiO₂/MIL-125 NTs, TiO₂/MIL-125-NH₂ NTs, and TiO₂/MIL-125-NH-L-His NTs from XPS analysis.

Sample name	C 1s	N 1s	O 1s	Ti 2p
TiO ₂ /MIL-125 NTs (annealed)	19.38	1.52	56.70	22.40
TiO ₂ /MIL-125-NH ₂ NTs	22.73	2.52	55.66	19.09
TiO ₂ /MIL-125-NH-L-His NTs	20.47	4.55	54.49	20.49

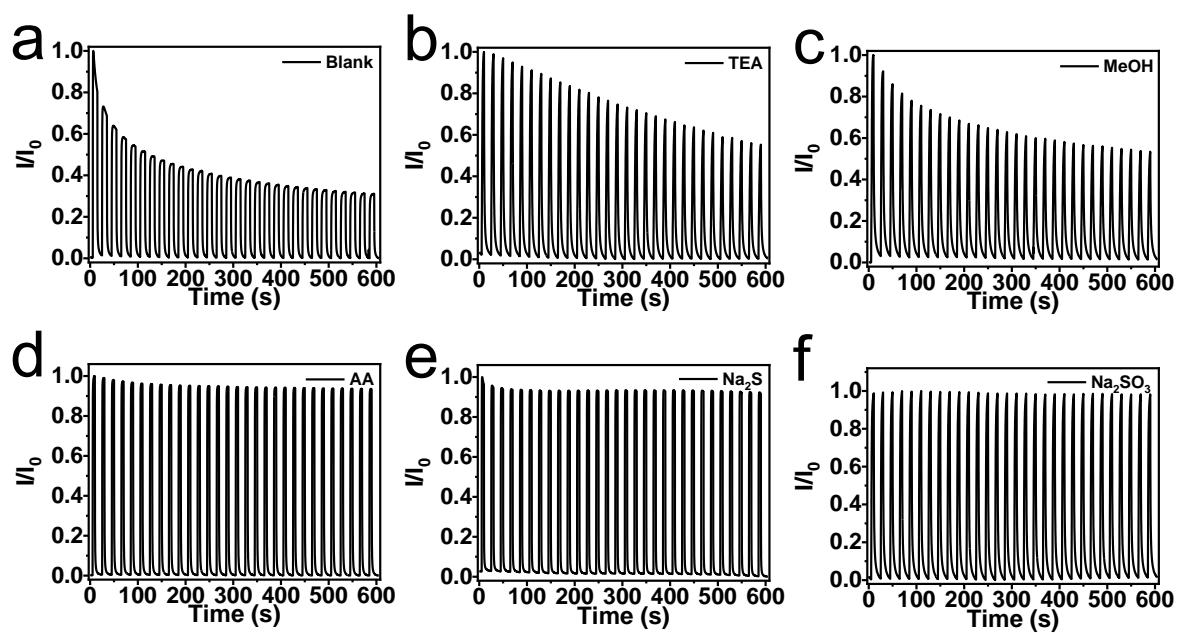


Figure S9. Stability of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125-\text{NH-L-His}$ NTs electrode in 0.1 M Na_2SO_4 containing different sacrificial reagents: (a) blank, (b) 0.1 M TEA, (c) 20 vol% MeOH, (d) 0.1 M AA, (e) 0.1 M Na_2S , and (f) 0.1 M Na_2SO_3 .

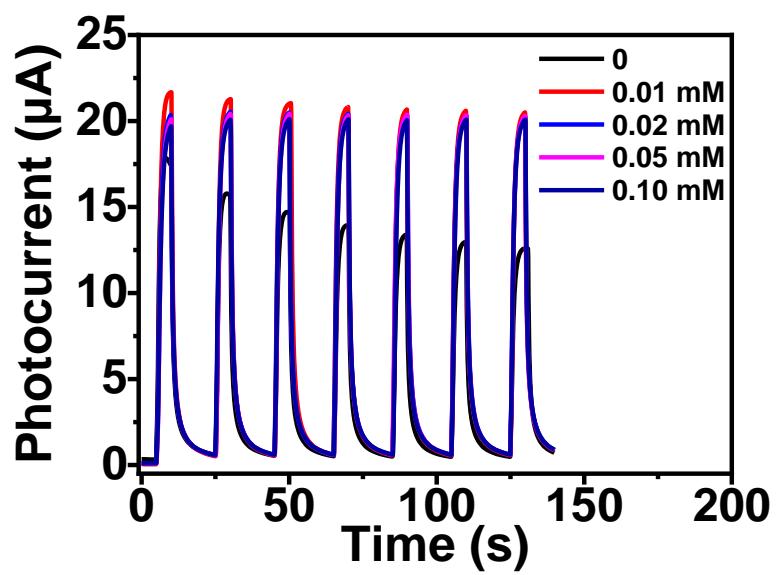


Figure S10. Photocurrent-time curves of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125-\text{NH-L-His}$ NTs in 0.1 M Na_2SO_4 containing different concentrations of Na_2SO_3 .

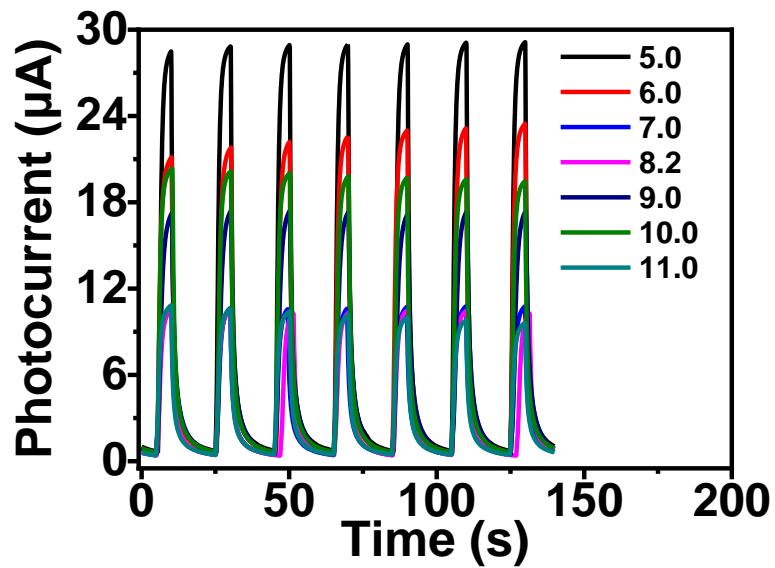


Figure S11. Photocurrent-time curves of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125-\text{NH-L-His}$ NTs in 0.1 M Na_2SO_4 containing 0.05 M Na_2SO_3 of different pH values.

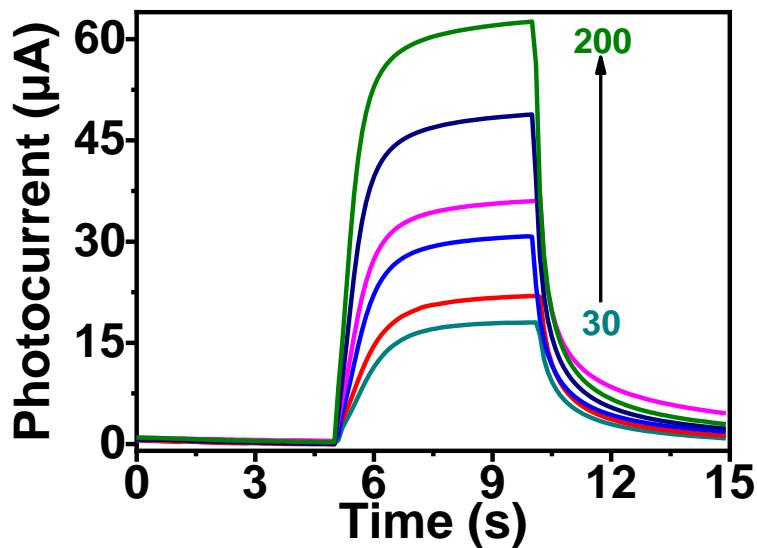


Figure S12. Photocurrent-time curves of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125-\text{NH-L-His}$ NTs under different LED-irradiating intensities in 0.1 M Na_2SO_4 containing 0.05 M Na_2SO_3 .

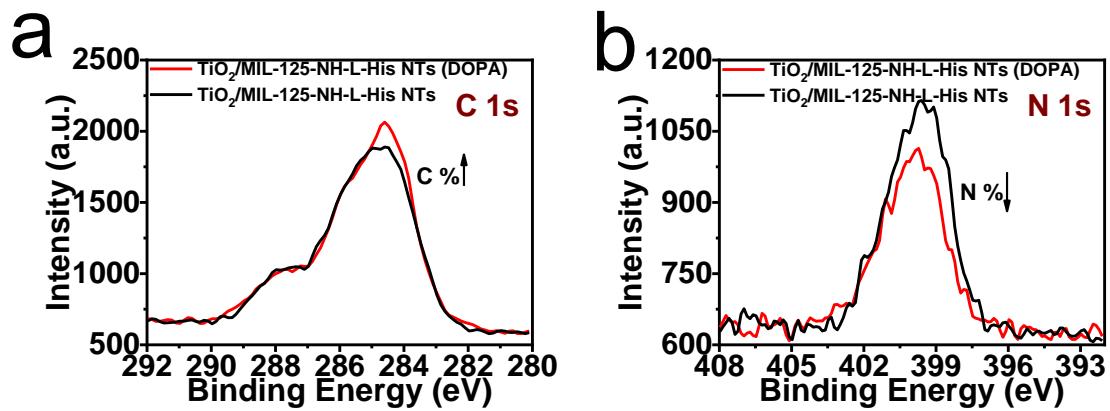


Figure S13. Core-level XPS peaks: (a) C 1s and (b) N 1s signals of $\text{TiO}_2/\text{MIL}-125\text{-NH-L-His}$ NTs before and after L-DOPA recognition.

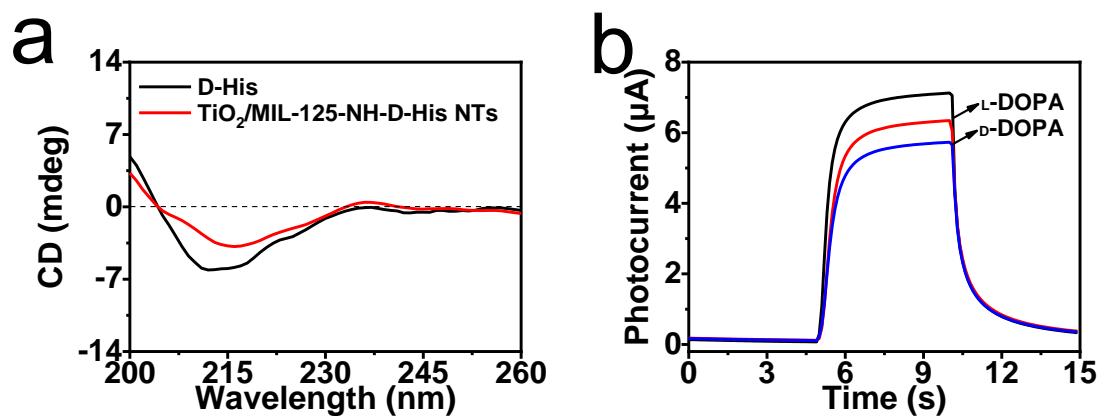


Figure S14. (a) CD spectra of D-His and TiO₂/MIL-125-NH-D-His NTs, (b) photocurrent of TiO₂/MIL-125-NH-D-His NTs before and after incubating in 20 μM L-/D-DOPA for 60 min.

Table S2. Comparison of various methods for L/D-DOPA detection.

Material	Method	Sensitivity data	Reference
Chirally imprinted mesoporous platinum	Differential pulse Voltammetry (DPV)	4 mM	S2
L-cysteine-gold nanoparticles	Colorimetric assay	1 μ M	S3
Chiral poly(3,4-ethylenedioxythiophene) (PEDOT) derivatives	Electrochemical sensing	250 μ M	S4
Cyclodextrin anchored graphene nanohybrids	Electrochemical method	14.9 μ M	S5
Enantioselective nanozyme AuNPs	Colorimetric strategy	100 μ M	S6
Chiral (6,5) single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs)	DPV method	25 μ M	S7
Gold nanodendrite (AuND) membrane	Electrochemical sensing	2.5 μ M	S8
TiO ₂ /MIL-125-NH-L-His NTs PEC platform	PEC sensing	0.24 μ M	This work

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