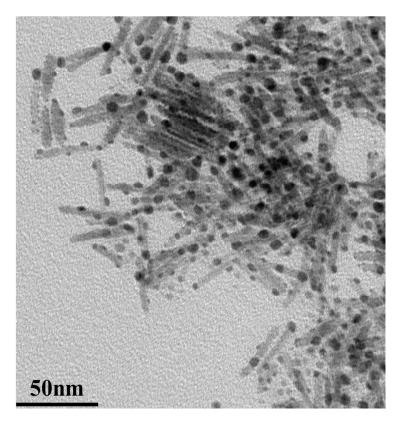
## **Supporting Information**

## Synthesis of Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>-Au dumbbelled heteronanostructures with enhanced photocatalytic and photoresponse properties

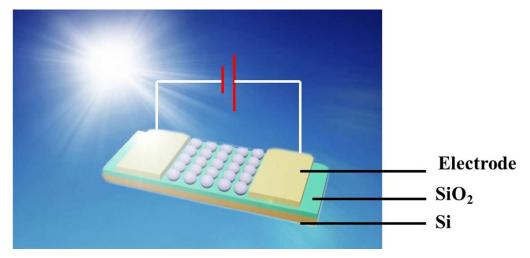
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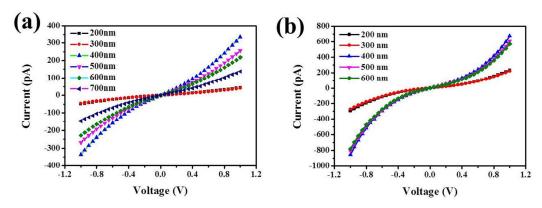
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**Figure S1.**  $Bi_2S_3$ -Au dumbbelled heterostructures with larger size of Au nanoparticles.



**Figure S2.** Schematic diagram of the device for photocurrent and photoreponse measurement.



**Figure S3.** I–V characteristics of the  $Bi_2S_3$ -Au heterostructures under illumination with different wavelength. (a)  $Bi_2S_3$ -Au dumbbells and (b)  $Bi_2S_3$ -Au nanocorns.

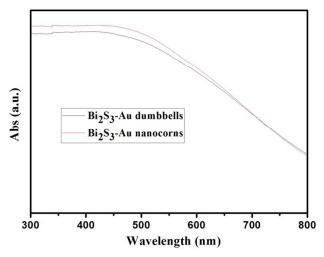
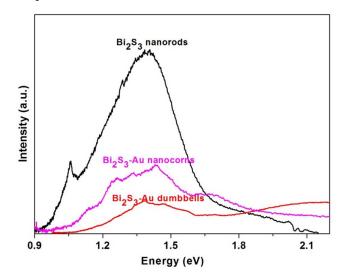


Figure S4. Uv-vis spectra of Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>-Au dumbbells and Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>-Au nanocorns.



**Figure S5.** Photoluminescence spectra of  $Bi_2S_3$ ,  $Bi_2S_3$ -Au dumbbells and  $Bi_2S_3$ -Au nanocorns.