

# Supporting Information

## Enhanced Thermal Stability under DC Electrical Conductivity Retention and Visible Light Activity of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Polyaniline Nanocomposite Film

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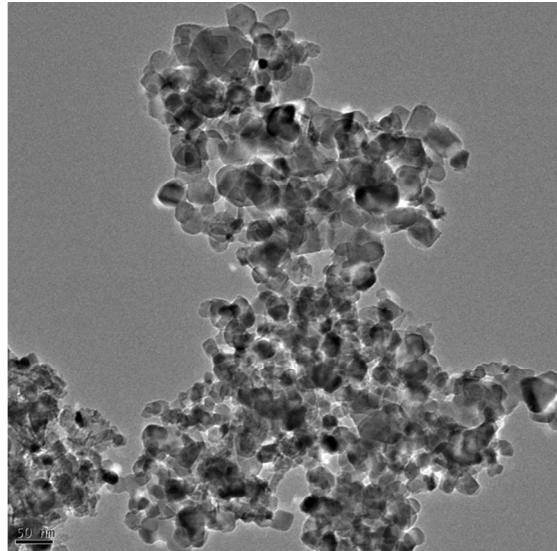
**Table S1:** Structural refined data of TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles in Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film

Phase	Anatase	Rutile
Crystal Structure	Tetragonal	Tetragonal
Space Group	<i>I</i> 41/ <i>a m d</i>	<i>P</i> 42/ <i>m n m</i>
a = b (Å)	4.7773	3.7814
C (Å)	2.5271	9.4443
Phase %	78.12	21.88
Crystallite size (~ nm)	16	23

**Table S2: DC Electrical Conductivity of Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film under cyclic aging conditions**

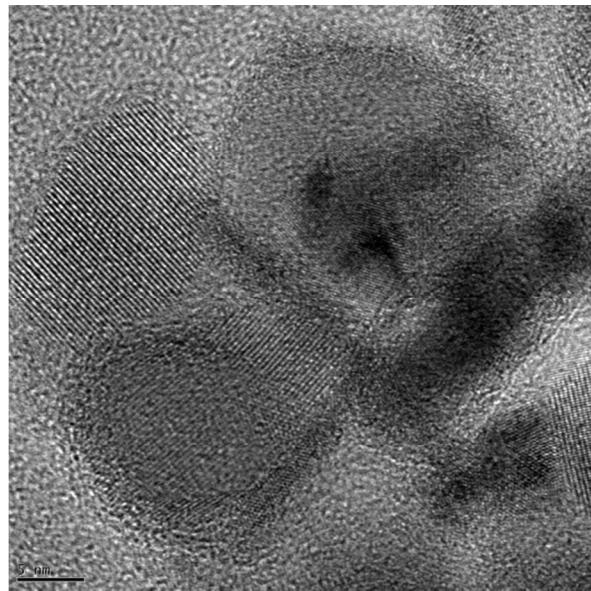
Temp. (°C)	Samples	DC Electrical Conductivity- $\sigma$ (S/cm)				
		Cycle-1	Cycle-2	Cycle-3	Cycle-4	Cycle-5
40	Pani	4.59	0.34	0.23	0.42	0.76
50		5.09	0.39	0.27	0.49	0.87
60		4.75	0.45	0.31	0.55	0.99
70		4.77	0.50	0.34	0.62	1.11
80		4.78	0.57	0.39	0.71	1.28
90		4.84	0.63	0.43	0.78	1.40
100		4.75	0.68	0.48	0.87	1.57
110		4.84	0.77	0.54	0.97	1.75
120		4.91	0.84	0.59	1.07	1.92
130		5.08	0.92	0.67	1.20	2.15
140	Ag/TiO <sub>2</sub> @Pani	5.18	1.01	0.72	1.30	2.33
150		5.58	1.04	0.77	1.39	2.51
40		5.45	9.81	1.13	2.04	3.67
50		5.36	9.65	1.24	2.23	4.02
60		6.37	11.46	1.33	2.39	4.31
70		7.20	12.96	1.38	2.49	4.49
80		7.92	14.25	1.45	2.62	4.72
90		10.18	18.33	1.56	2.81	5.07
100		12.45	22.42	1.63	2.94	5.30
110		14.90	26.83	1.71	3.07	5.54
120		16.97	30.55	1.80	3.24	5.83
130		15.28	27.51	1.83	3.31	5.94
140		15.32	20.38	1.89	3.40	6.12
150		15.68	13.08	1.91	3.43	6.18

**TEM images of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite**



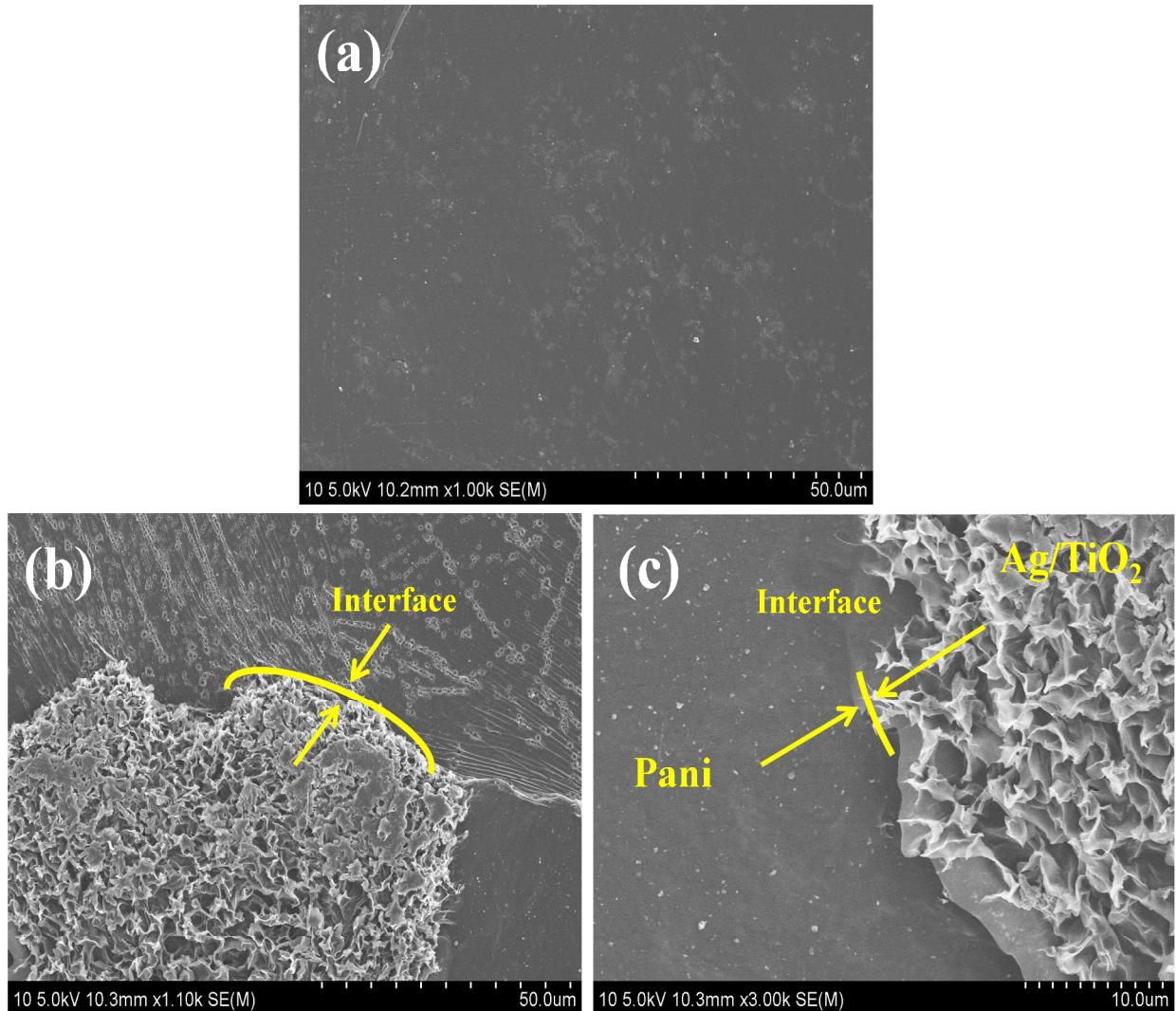
**Figure S1.** TEM image of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite.

**HR-TEM image of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite**



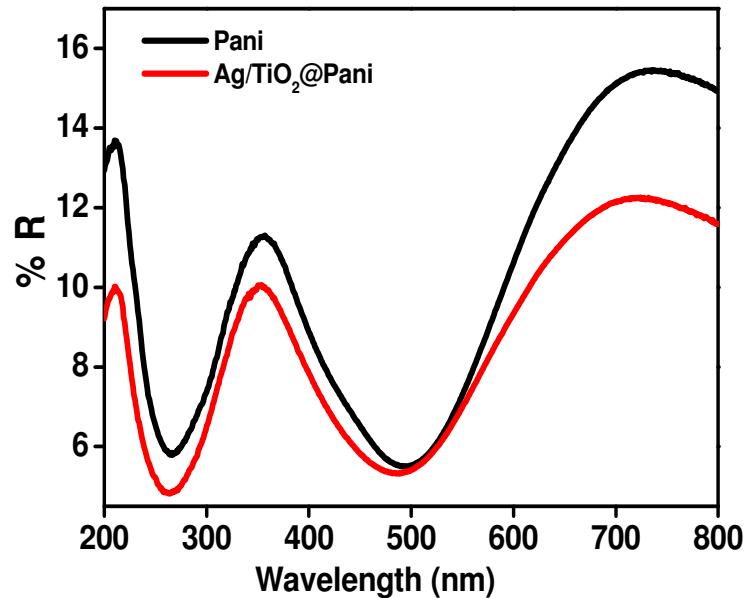
**Figure S2.** HR-TEM image of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite.

**SEM images of Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film**



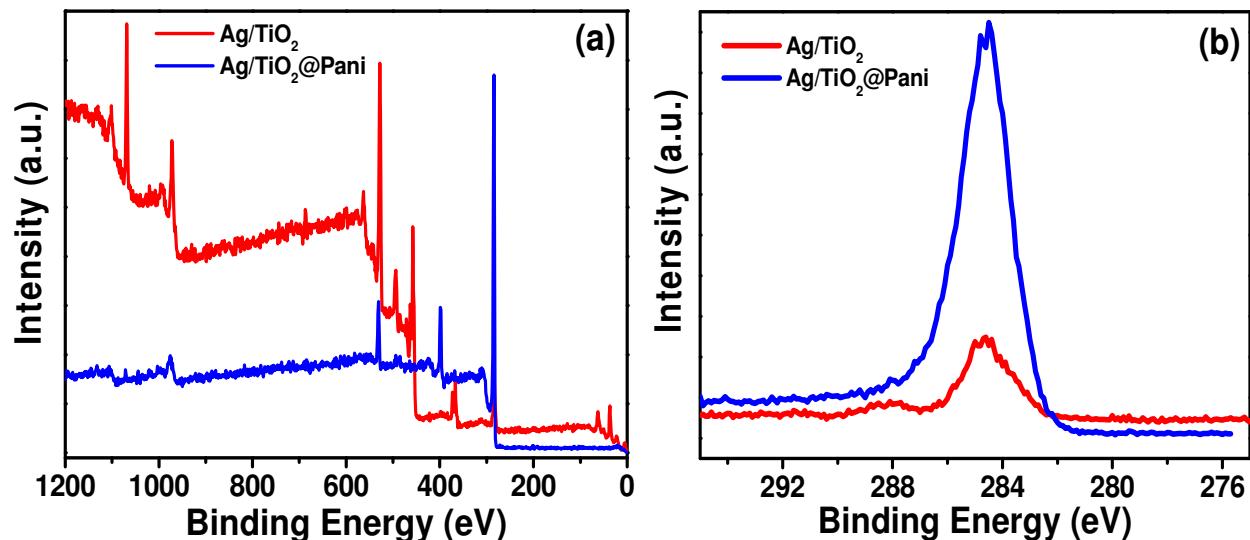
**Figure S3.** SEM images of (a) as-prepared Pani, (b and c) Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani film.

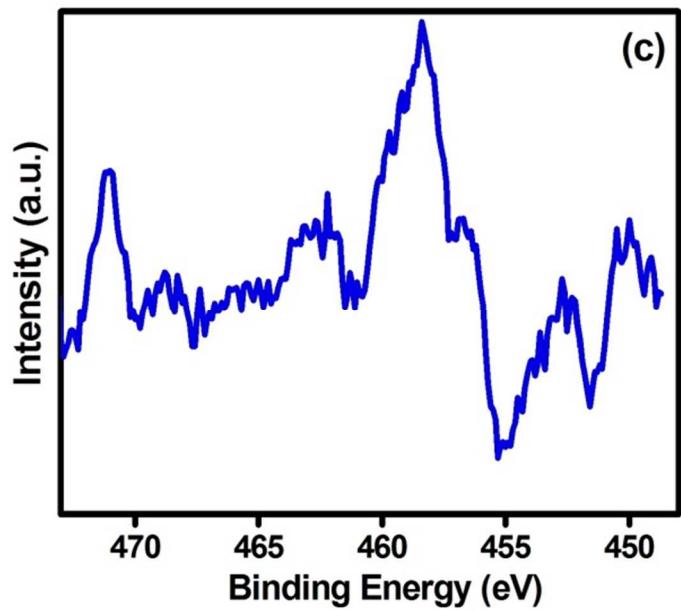
### Diffuse reflectance spectra of Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film



**Figure S4.** Diffuse reflectance spectra of Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film.

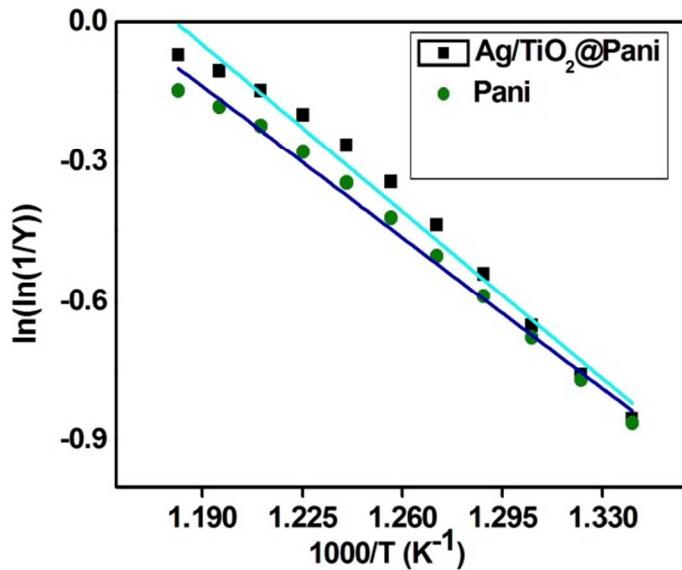
### XPS spectra of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub> and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film





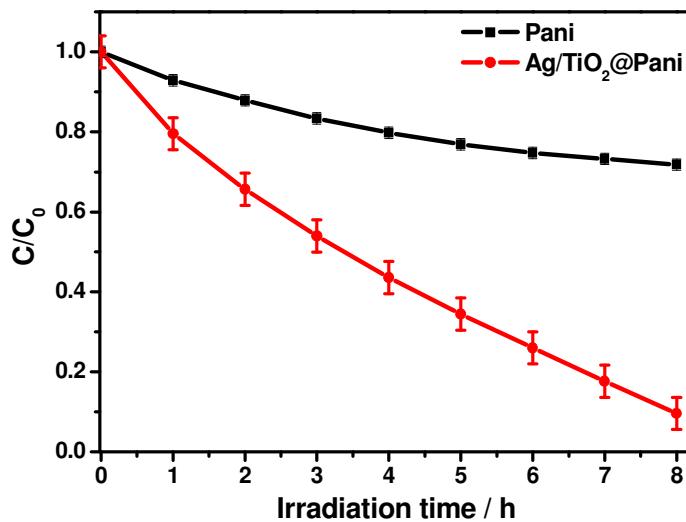
**Figure S5.** XPS spectra of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub> and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film: (a) survey spectra, (b) C1s peaks, and (c) Ti 2p peaks of Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film.

### Activation energy of Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film



**Figure S6.** Activation energy curve of Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film.

### Plot of C/C<sub>0</sub> vs. the irradiation time (h) for the photodegradation of MB by Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film



**Figure S7.** Plot of C/C<sub>0</sub> vs. the irradiation time (h) for the photodegradation of MB by Pani and Ag/TiO<sub>2</sub>@Pani nanocomposite film.