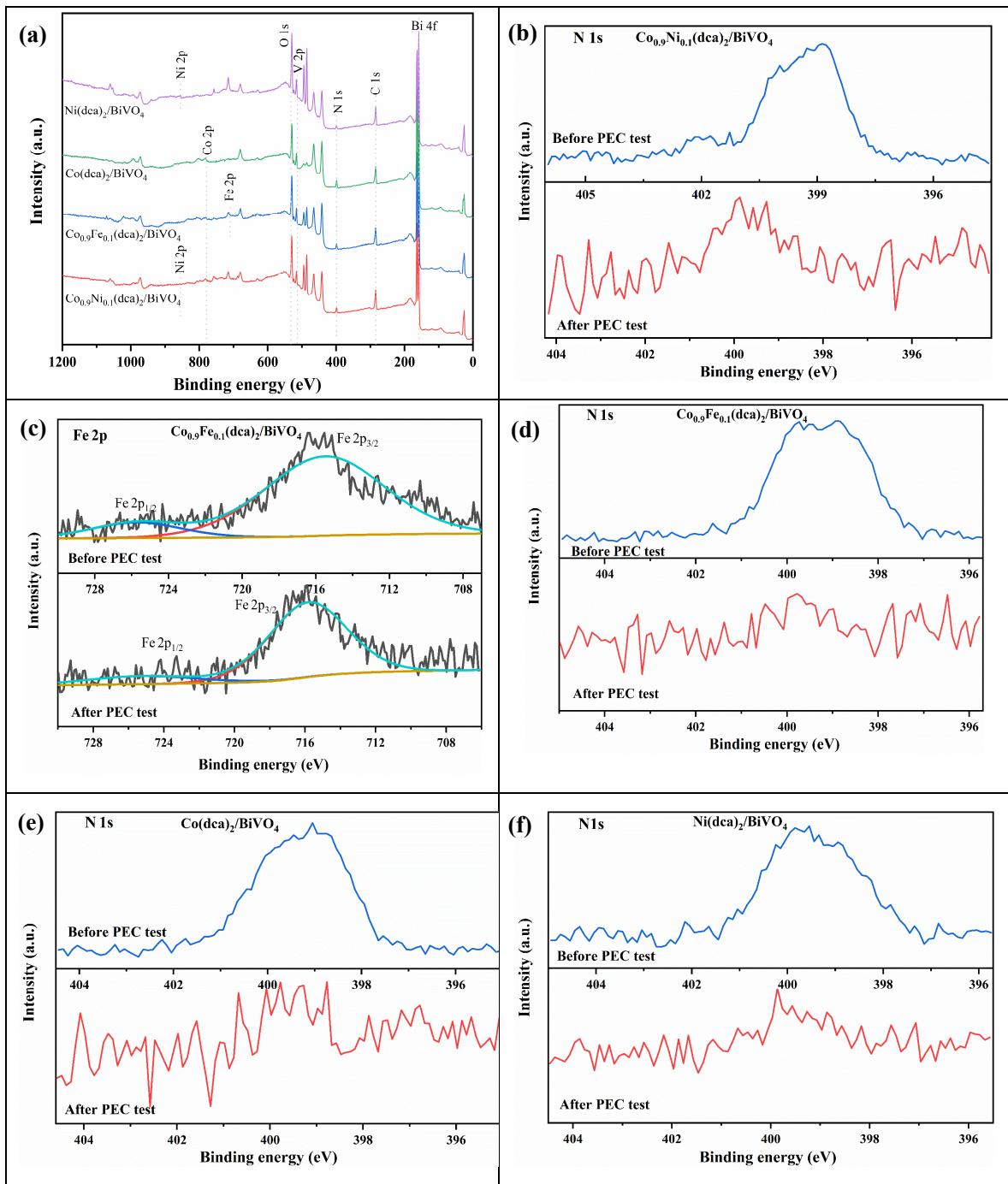
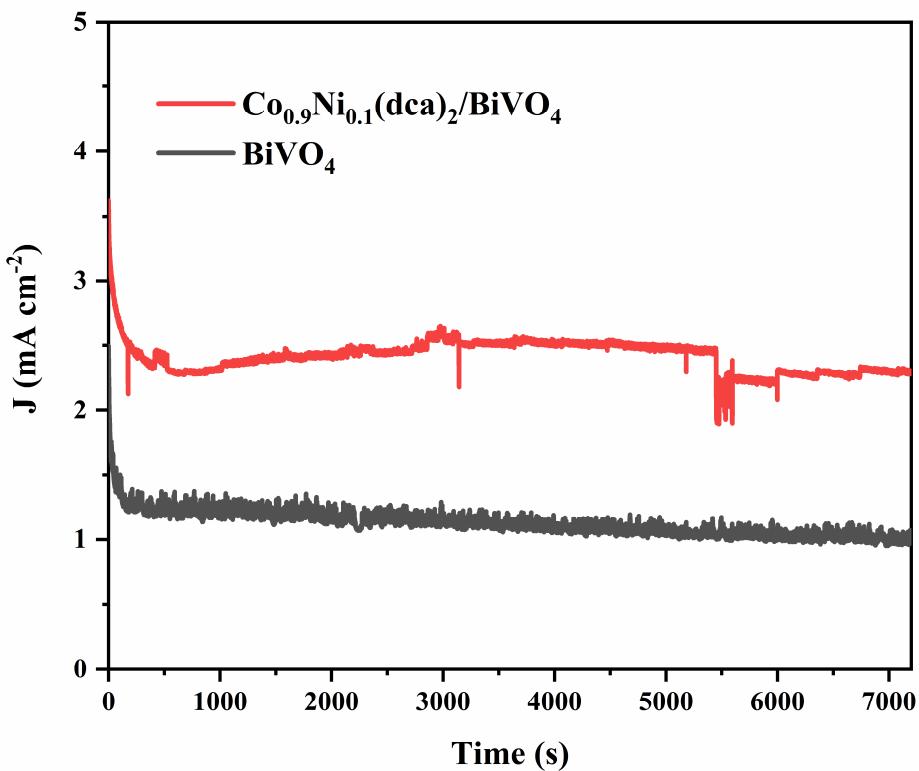


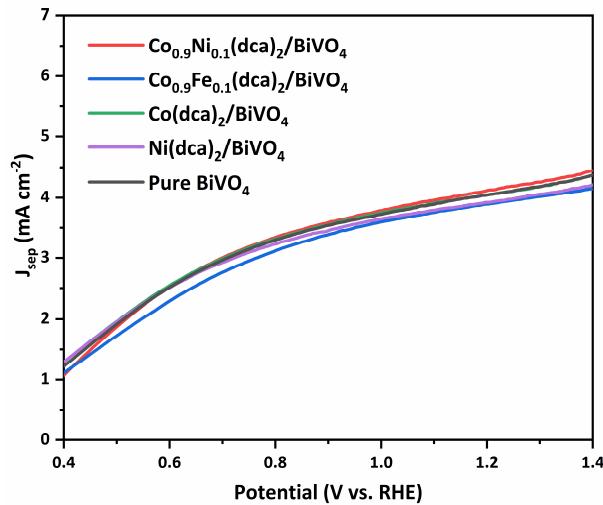
**Figure S1.** XRD patterns of the as-prepared metal dicyanamides.



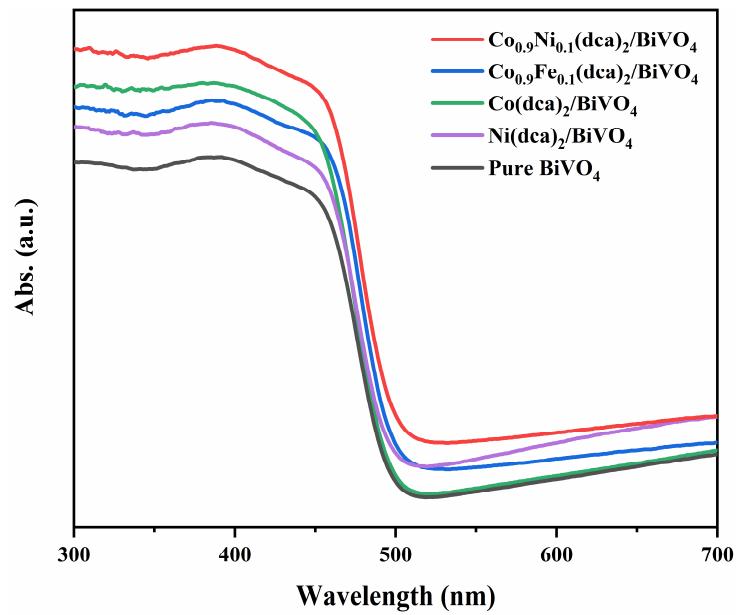
**Figure S2.** (a) XPS survey spectra of M(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub> photoanodes, (b) XPS N 1s spectra of Co<sub>0.9</sub>Ni<sub>0.1</sub>(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub>, (c) XPS Fe 2p spectra of Co<sub>0.9</sub>Fe<sub>0.1</sub>(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub>, (d) XPS N 1s spectra of Co<sub>0.9</sub>Fe<sub>0.1</sub>(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub>, (e) XPS N 1s spectra of Co(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub>, (f) XPS N 1s spectra of Ni(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub> before and after PEC tests.



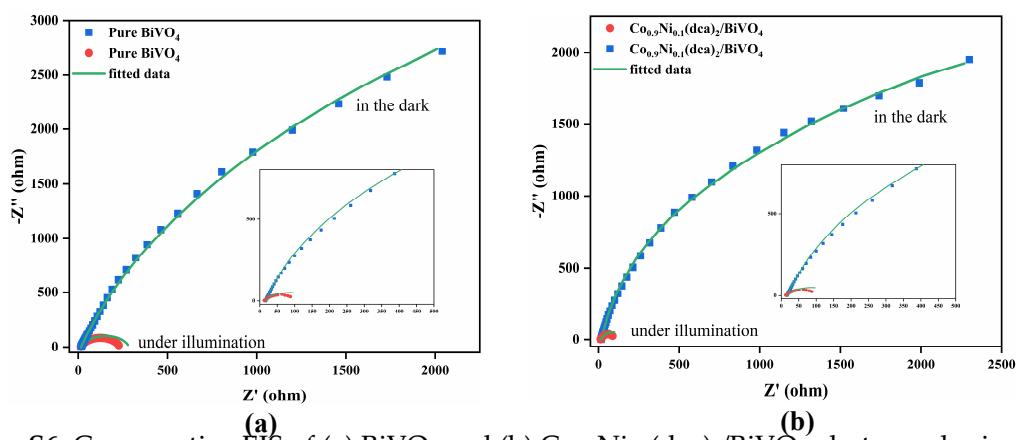
**Figure S3.** Stability I-t curves of  $\text{Co}_{0.9}\text{Ni}_{0.1}(\text{dca})_2/\text{BiVO}_4$  and bare  $\text{BiVO}_4$  photoanodes measured at 1.23 V vs. RHE in 0.5 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  aqueous solution under AM 1.5G illumination.



**Figure S4.** Photocurrent densities for  $\text{BiVO}_4$  and  $M(\text{dca})_2/\text{BiVO}_4$  photoanodes in 0.1 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_3$  aqueous solution under AM 1.5G illumination.



**Figure S5.** UV-Vis spectra of  $\text{BiVO}_4$  and  $M(\text{dca})_2/\text{BiVO}_4$  photoanodes.



**Figure S6.** Comparative EIS of (a)  $\text{BiVO}_4$  and (b)  $\text{Co}_{0.9}\text{Ni}_{0.1}(\text{dca})_2/\text{BiVO}_4$  photoanodes in the dark and under illumination.

**Table S1.** EIS-fitted values and flat-band potentials of BiVO<sub>4</sub> and M(dca)<sub>2</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub> photoanodes in the equivalent circuit for PEC water oxidation.

	Co <sub>0.9</sub> Ni <sub>0.1</sub> (dca) <sub>2</sub> /BiVO <sub>4</sub>	Co <sub>0.9</sub> Fe <sub>0.1</sub> (dca) <sub>2</sub> /BiVO <sub>4</sub>	Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> /BiVO <sub>4</sub>	Ni(dca) <sub>2</sub> /BiVO <sub>4</sub>	BiVO <sub>4</sub>
Flat band potential (mV vs. RHE)	5.16	18.8	39.8	42.5	46.9
R <sub>ct</sub> (Ω)	96.02	135.7	180.2	216.6	269.2
R <sub>sc</sub> (Ω)	14.29	17.55	19.98	16.35	21.4
R <sub>s</sub> (Ω)	21.55	21.86	21.68	24.19	21.7
Q <sub>H</sub>	4.56×10 <sup>-4</sup>	4.49×10 <sup>-4</sup>	3.41×10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.61×10 <sup>-4</sup>	3.14×10 <sup>-4</sup>
Q <sub>SC</sub>	6.03×10 <sup>-7</sup>	1.53×10 <sup>-7</sup>	5.47×10 <sup>-8</sup>	1.76×10 <sup>-7</sup>	8.59×10 <sup>-8</sup>