

## Supporting information (SI)

### Construct Ce(OH)<sub>4</sub> nanostructures from 1D to 3D by mechanical force-driven method

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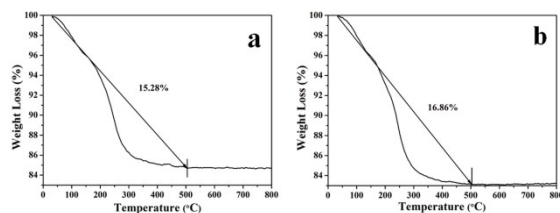


Fig. S1 TGA curves of (a) Ce(OH)<sub>4</sub>-NR, (b) Ce(OH)<sub>4</sub>-NF.

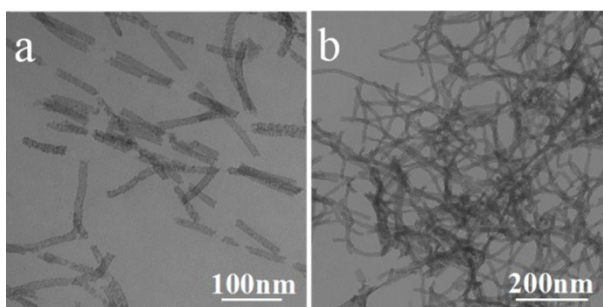


Fig. S2 TEM images of Ce(OH)<sub>4</sub>-NR obtained with different amounts of tert-butylamine (a) 3ml, (b) 1 ml.

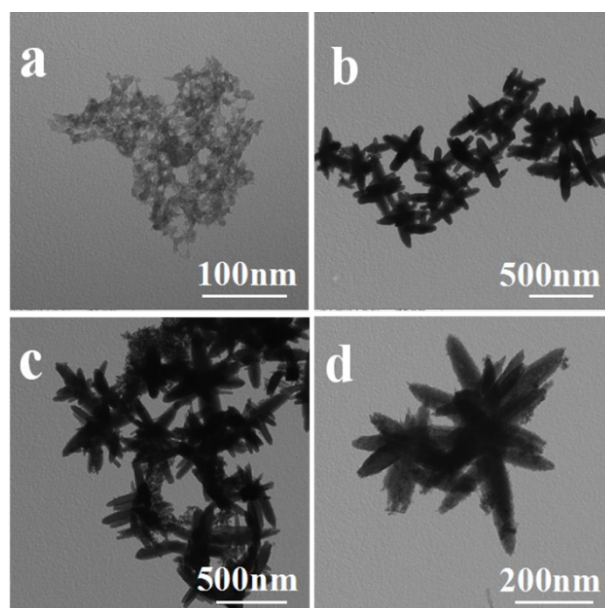


Fig. S3 TEM images of Ce(OH)<sub>4</sub>-NF obtained at different solvothermal stages (a) after adding tert-butylamine, (b) 50 min, (c) 5h, (d) 8h.

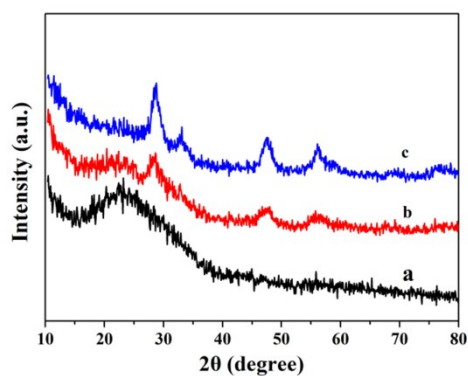


Fig. S4 XRD patterns of Ce(OH)<sub>4</sub>-NF obtained at different solvothermal stages (a) after adding tert-butylamine, (b) 50 min, (c) 5h, (d) 8h.

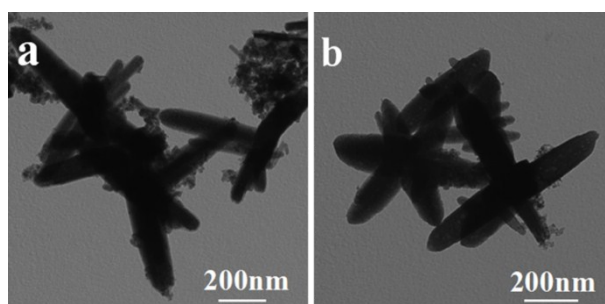


Fig. S5 TEM images of  $\text{Ce}(\text{OH})_4$  obtained under different stirring condition: (a) without any stirring, (b) under mild stirring condition.

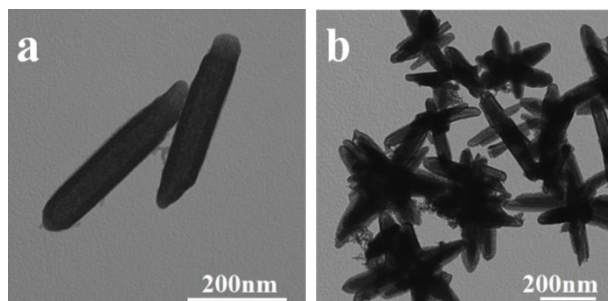


Fig. S6 TEM images of as-prepared  $\text{CeO}_2$  hollow structures: (a) overview of the  $\text{CeO}_2$  hollow nanorods, (b) overview of the  $\text{CeO}_2$  hollow nanoflowers.

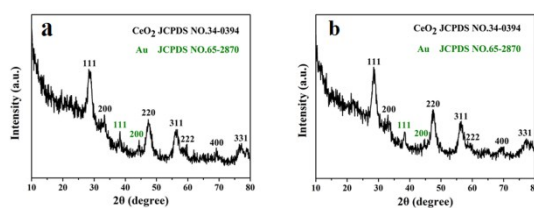


Fig. S7 XRD patterns of (a) Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>-NR, (b) Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>-NF.

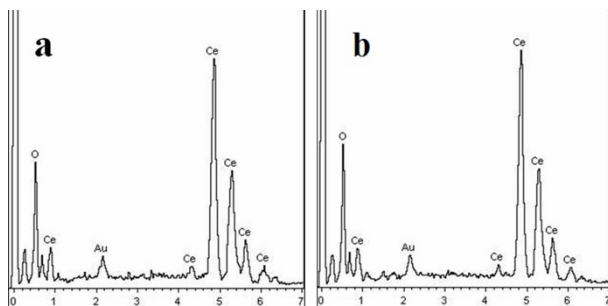


Fig. S8 EDS patterns of (a) Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>-NR, (b) Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>-NF.

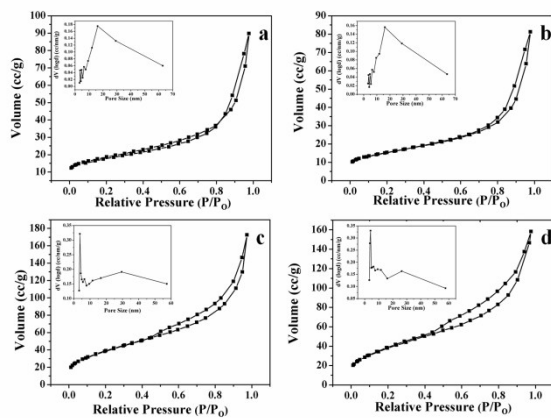


Fig. S9 N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms of (a) CeO<sub>2</sub>-NR, (b) CeO<sub>2</sub>-NF, (c) Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>-NR, (d) Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>-NF. Inset images are the corresponding BJH pore size distribution curve.

Table S1

N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption characterization of different samples

Samples	Commercial CeO <sub>2</sub>	CeO <sub>2</sub> -NR	CeO <sub>2</sub> -NF	Au/CeO <sub>2</sub> -NR	Au/CeO <sub>2</sub> -NF
S <sub>BET</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	8.500	66.380	54.893	145.250	148.463
V <sub>BJH</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	--	0.123	0.113	0.236	0.215
D <sub>BJH</sub> (nm)	--	3.699	3.748	3.808	4.200