

Supporting Information

Conversion of Polystyrene into Porous Carbon Sheet and Hollow Carbon Shell over Different Magnesium Oxide Templates for Efficient Removal of Methylene Blue

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Table S1 Yields of the different fractions for the pyrolysis of PS/sheet MgO at 500, 600, 700 and 800 °C.

Temperature (°C)	500	600	700	800
Carbon (wt%)	0.3	1.0	12.2	15.0
Liquid (wt%)	99.7	98.7	87.1	84.5
Gas (wt%)	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4

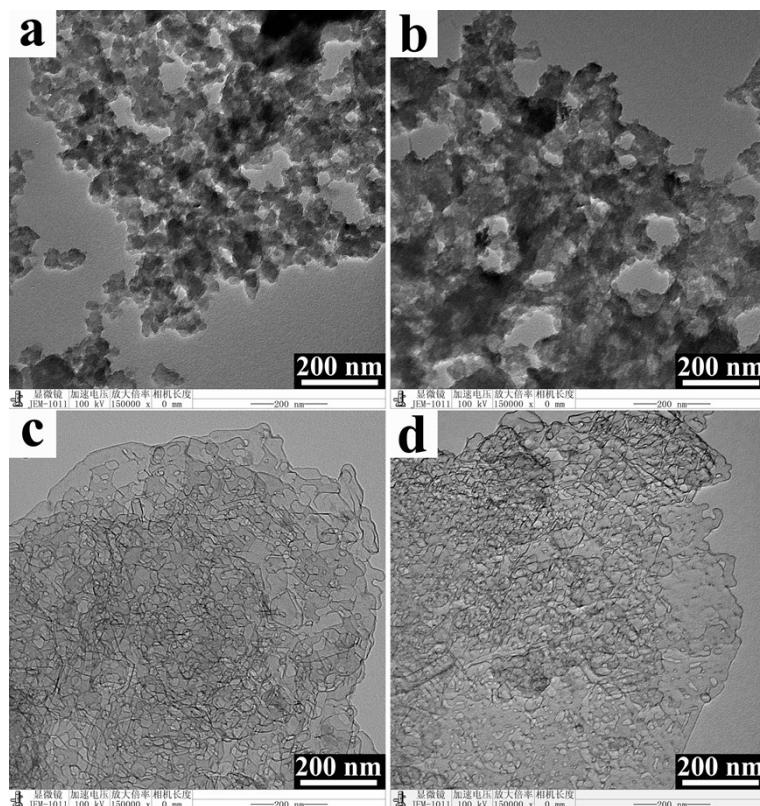


Fig. S1 TEM images of nanocarbon obtained on sheet MgO at (a) 500 °C, (b) 600 °C, (c) 700 °C, (d) 800 °C.

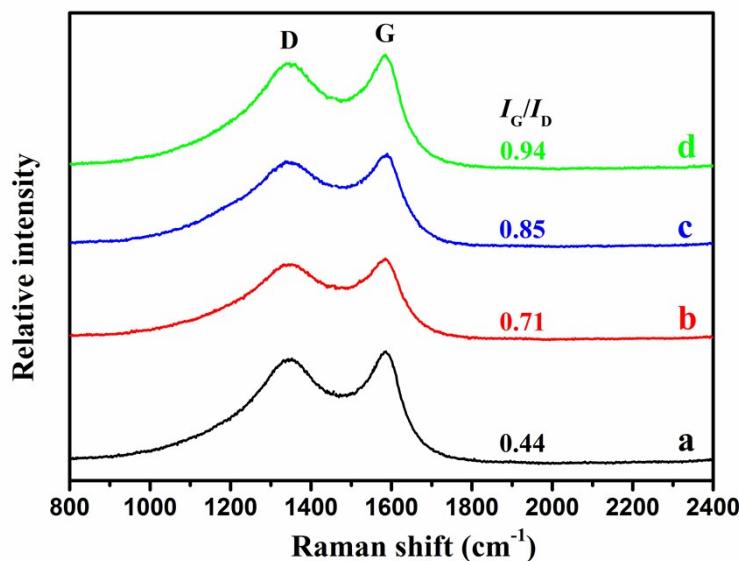
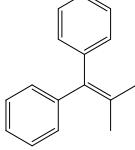
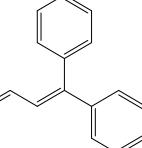
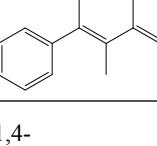
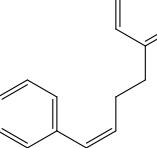
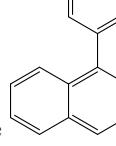
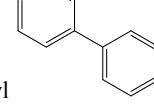
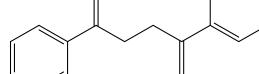


Fig. S2 Raman spectra of carbon obtained on sheet MgO at (a) 500 °C, (b) 600 °C, (c) 700 °C, (d) 800 °C.

Table S2. Assignment and area percentage of the compounds in Fig. 10 that were produced by decomposition of PS and the mixture of PS/MgO at 700 °C.

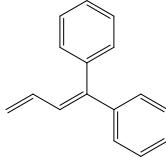
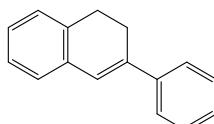
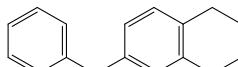
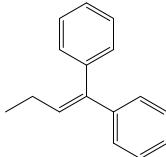
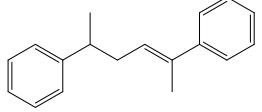
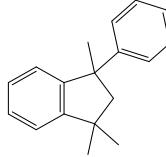
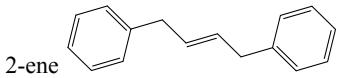
Entry	Elution time (min)	Substance	PS	PS-Sheet	PS-Polygonal	PS-Sheet	PS-Polygonal
			MgO	two-stage ^a	MgO	MgO	one-pot ^b
1	1.627	Benzene	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.6
2	2.261	Toluene	2.7	3.8	4.6	5.2	8.0
3	3.483	Ethylbenzene	1.4	0.9	0.8	6.7	5.5
4	4.050	Styrene	27.2	42.6	51.1	36.2	50.2
5	4.991	(E)-prop-1-en-1-ylbenzene	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1
6	5.139	Propylbenzene	0	0	0	0.6	0
7	5.598	Prop-1-en-2-ylbenzene	3.0	2.3	2.8	2.1	6.9
8	6.485	Allylbenzene	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.4
9	6.727	1H-indene	0.4	0.2	0.3	0	0.5

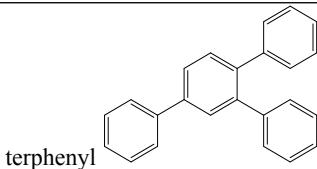
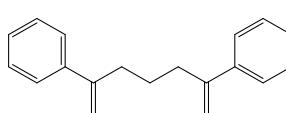
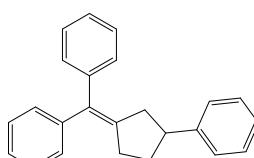
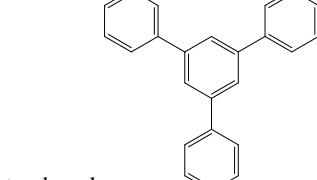
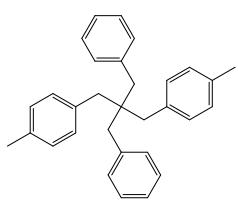
10	12.571	Diphenylmethane		0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3
11	13.606	1,2-diphenylethane		5.2	2.3	2.6	0.8	2.2
12	14.009	Propane-1,2-diylbenzene		2.2	1.2	1.4	0.7	1.2
13	15.166	1,3-diphenylpropane		2.1	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.5
14	15.489	(E)-but-1-ene-1,3-diylbenzene		0.6	1.1	0	5.3	0.6
15	15.813	(E)-1,2-diphenylethene		2.5	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.6
16	15.948	2-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene		15.9	12.6	13.5	3.7	7.5
17	16.033	1-methyl-9,10-dihydrophenanthrene		3.2	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.7
18	16.402	1-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene		0.8	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.4
19	16.550	(2-methylprop-1-ene-1,1-		0	0.9	0	4.8	0.7

							
20	16.613	(Z)-penta-1,3-diene-1,1-diyl dibenzene 	2.1	0.9	0.8	0	0.4
21	16.753	(E)-but-2-ene-2,3-diyl dibenzene 	0	1.1	0	5.0	1.1
22	16.971	(Z)-but-1-ene-1,4-diyl dibenzene 	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.5	0
23	17.313	1-phenylnaphthalene 	0.8	0.6	0.3	1.0	0.7
24	17.518	1-methyl-4-((1E,3E)-4-phenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)benzene 	0.4	0.5	0.3	0	0
25	17.605	1,1':2',1"-terphenyl 	0.3	0	0	0	0.2
26	17.712	hexa-1,5-diene-2,5-diyl dibenzene 	2.7	1.8	1.8	0	1.0

		(E)-pent-1-ene-1,5-					
27	18.043	diyldibenzene		0.8	0.7	0.3	0.5
		(Z)-1,4(1,4)-					
28	18.390	dibenzenacycloheptaphan-2-ene		1.4	0.7	0.7	0
		2-phenylnaphthalene					
29	18.482			1.8	0.7	0.2	6.9
		Pent-3-yne-2,2-					
30	18.588			2.7	1.5	1.3	1.4
		(E)-hexa-1,5-diene-1,5-					
31	18.875	diyldibenzene		0.7	0.4	0.3	0
		Ethane-1,1,2-					
32	19.651	trityltribenzene		0.1	0.2	0.1	0
		1-benzylnaphthalene					
33	19.739			0.1	0.5	0	6.6
		2-benzylnaphthalene					
34	19.993			0.9	0.2	0	0

		1,1':4',1"-terphenyl					
35	20.108		0.6	0	0	0.3	0.3
		1-ethyl-2-					
		(1-phenylethyl)benzene					
36	21.298		0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	0
		Butane-1,2,3,4-					
		tetrayltetrabenzene					
37	21.482		0.2	0.2	0.1	0	0
		(3-(cyclopent-2-en-1-yl)-2-					
		methylprop-1-ene-					
		1,1-diyl) dibenzene					
38	22.017		0	0.4	0	0.8	0.2
		(E)-1,2-di-o-tolylethene					
39	22.195		0.2	0.5	0	0.8	0
		(Z)-but-2-ene-2,3-					
40	22.584		12.3	11.5	9.5	2.3	3.3
		(2-methylprop-2-ene-					
41	22.775		0	0.3	0	0.6	0

		Buta-1,3-diene-1,1-					
42	23.109	diyldibenzene		0	0.2	0	0
43	23.258	3-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalene		0.2	0.3	0.2	0
44	23.381	6-benzyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene		0.3	0.2	0.3	0
		But-1-ene-1,1-					
45	23.433	diyldibenzene		0	0.7	0	1.2
46	23.555	(E)-hex-2-ene-2,5-diyldibenzene		0.2	0.2	0.1	0
47	23.624	1,1,3-trimethyl-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene		0.2	0.2	0.1	0
48	23.844	(E)-1,4-diphenylbut-2-ene		0.3	0.2	0.2	0
49	24.364	4'-phenyl-1,1':2',1''-		0	0	0	0.4

							
50	24.864	Hepta-1,6-diene-2,6-diylbibenzene		0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
51	24.959	((3-phenylcyclopentylidene)methylene)dibenzene		0.1	0.1	0.1	0
52	26.173	5'-phenyl-1,1':3',1"-terphenyl		0.2	0.1	0.1	0.4
53	28.230	4,4'-(2,2-dibenzylpropane-1,3-diyl)bis(methylbenzene)		0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Total				99.1	99.2	99.4	99.8
						99.9	

^a 5g of PS and 25g MgO, separately.

^b Mixture of 5g of PS and 25g MgO.