Green Synthesis and Characterization of Gold Nanoparticles Embedded into Magnetic Carbon Nanocages and Their High Efficient Degradation for Methylene Blue

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Supplementary data

- **Fig. S1** IR spectra of (1) the CNSs, (2) the CNSs-DETA, (3) the CNSs-DETA-DIB, (4) the Fe₃O₄ NPs/CNSs, (5) the Au NPs/MCNSs, respectively.
- **Fig. S2** (A) XPS spectra of the Fe_3O_4 NPs/CNSs (a-1) and the Au NPs/MCNSs (a-2) in the N1s region. (B) XPS spectra of the Fe_3O_4 NPs/CNSs (b-1) and the Au NPs/MCNSs (b-2) in the O1s region.
- Fig. S3 UV-vis spectral changes of MB (50 μ M) aqueous solution with NaBH₄ (8 μ M) in the absence of the Au NPs/MCNSs catalyst at 1 min intervals in 12 minutes.
- Fig. S4 UV-vis spectral changes of MB (40 μ M) aqueous solution with NaBH₄ (6 μ M) in the presence of the Fe₃O₄ NPs/CNSs at 1 min intervals in 12 minutes.
- Fig. S5 UV-vis spectral changes of R6G (A), RB (B) and MO (C) aqueous solution with NaBH $_4$ (6 μ M) at 1 min intervals. (D) The degradation efficiency of R6G, RB and MO.

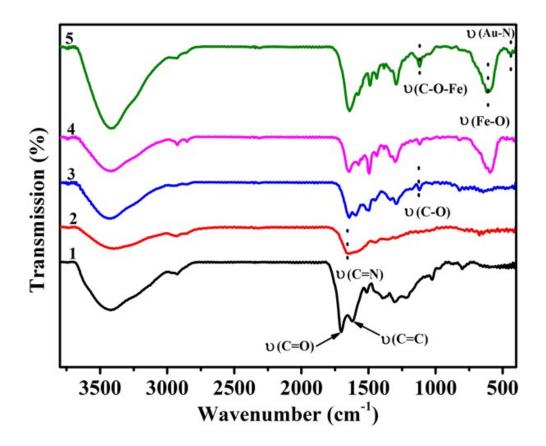


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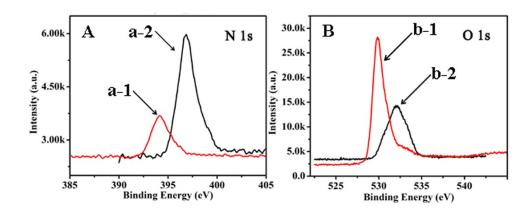


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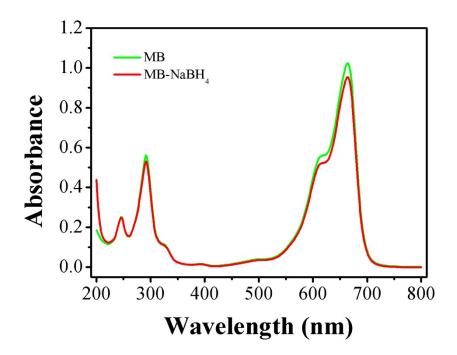


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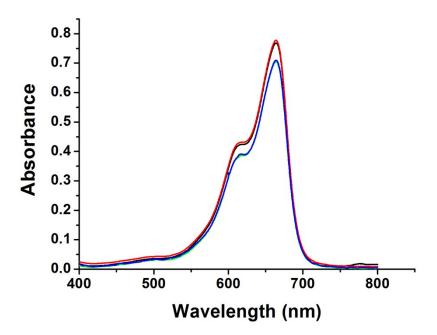


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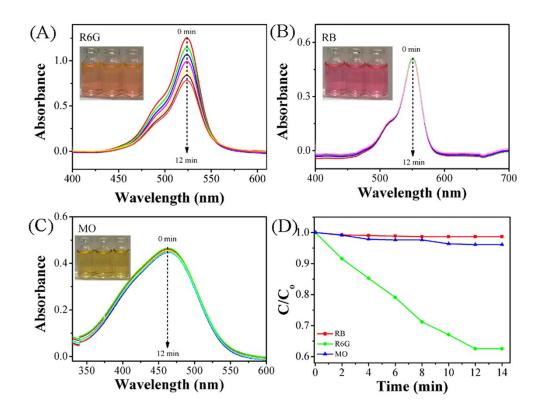


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