## **Electronic Supplemental Information**

## Interfacial synthesis of lollipop-like Au-polyaniline nanocomposites for catalytic applications

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**Fig. S1.** EDX spectrum of lollipop-like Au-PANI nanoparticles at a reaction time of 1h.



**Fig. S2.** SEM image of lollipop-like Au-PANI nanocomposites when 0.1 ml of 10 mM HAuCl<sub>4</sub> was added into the water phase for a reaction time of 1 h.



**Fig. S3.** UV-Vis absorption spectra showing the reduction of 4-NP by  $NaBH_4$  in the presence of lollipop-like Au-PANI nanocomposites obtained at a reaction time of 1h.



**Fig. S4.** UV-Vis absorption spectra showing the reduction of 4-NP by NaBH<sub>4</sub> in the presence of Au-PANI nanocomposites obtained at a reaction time of 1h with 5ml of 10mM HAuCl<sub>4</sub> added into the water phase.



**Fig. S5.** (a) Optical photograph of Au-PANI nanostructure under the microscopy with a  $100 \times$  objective and (b) SERS mapping of Au-PANI at peak 1435 cm<sup>-1</sup> of the N=N band.



Fig. S6. Time-dependent SERS spectra of 4-ATP dimerizing to DMAB on Au-PANI nanospheres obtained at a reaction time of 1h with 5ml of 10mM HAuCl<sub>4</sub> added into the water phase, under continuous 633 nm laser excitation with a laser power of 1.5 mW.



Fig. S7. UV-Vis absorption spectrum of the spherical Au-PANI nanocomposites.