## **Supporting Information**

## Ultrasensitive detection of Trinitrotoluene by

Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@mTiO<sub>2</sub>/P-ATP-TNT/Au@Ag SERS sensor via synergetic effect

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## Materials

Ferric (III) chloride hexahydrate (FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O), tetrachloroauric acid tetrahydrate (HAuCl<sub>4</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O), silver nitrate (AgNO<sub>3</sub>), trisodium citrate dihydrate (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Na<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub>) polyethylene glycol (PEG), sodium acetate anhydrous (NaAc) and ethylene glycoethanol (EG) were obtained from Shanghai Chemical Reagents Company (Shanghai, China). P-aminothiophenol (P-ATP) was purchased from Aladdin. 2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene (TNT) was supplied by National Security Department of China. The deionized (DI) water with aelectrical resistivity of 18.25 MΩ·cm was purified using a Millipore Milli-Q gradient system.

## **Instrumentation and Characterization**

The characterization of the products were analyzed by using a Quanta 200 FEG field

emission scanning electronic microscope (FESEM), a JEOL JEM-2010 high-resolution transmission electron microscope (HRTEM), a Philips X-Pert Pro X-ray diffractometer (XRD) with Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.5418$  A), The SERS substrates of the P-ATP by using a portable-Raman spectrometer (B&W TEK, i-Raman) equipped with a diode laser emitting at 785 nm, the laser power was 30 mW and the integration time was 5 s.

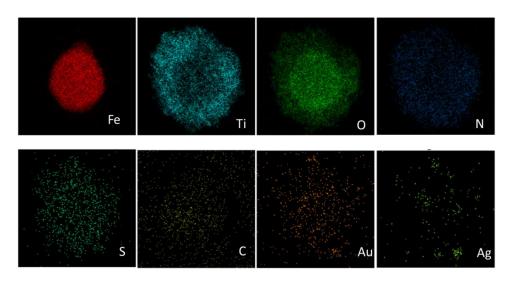


Fig. S1 elemental distribution mappings of Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@mTiO<sub>2</sub>/P-ATP/Au@Ag NPs

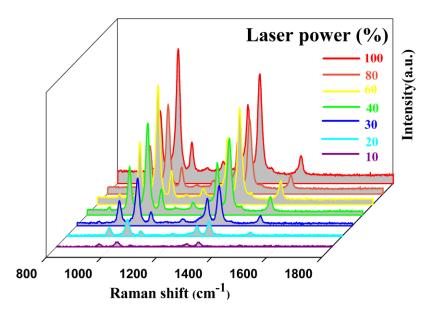


Fig. S2 SERS spectra of P-ATP at various laser powers in Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@mTiO<sub>2</sub>/P-ATP/Au@Ag assemblies

P-ATP		DMAB	
wavenumber (cm $^{-1}$ )	assignment	wavenumber (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	assignment
1078	V <sub>CS</sub>	1078	V <sub>CS</sub>
1181	<b>v</b> <sub>сн</sub>	1141	$\beta_{CH} + \nu_{CN}$
1595	v <sub>cc</sub>	1181	ν <sub>cн</sub>
		1388	$v_{NN} + v_{CN}$
		1429	ν <sub>nn</sub> + β <sub>ch</sub>
		1595	V <sub>CC</sub>

 Table S1. Wavenumbers and assignments of Raman band of P-ATP and DMAB.

Abbreviations: v, stretching;  $\beta$ , in-plane bending.