

**Catalytic ozonation of sulfamethoxazole using low-cost natural
silicate ore supported Fe₂O₃: influencing factors, reaction
mechanisms and degradation pathways**

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Table S1 The main instruments used in the experiment

Instrument name	Instrument model	Manufacturer
Ozone generator	DHX-I	Harbin Jiujiu Electrochemical Engineering Co., Ltd
High performance liquid chromatography	LC-1200	Agilent, USA
Total organic carbon	TOC-V _{CPN}	Shimadzu, Japan
Inductively-Coupled Plasma Emission Spectrometer	OPTIMA 5300DV	Perkin Elmer, USA
Ion chromatograph	ICS-3000	Dionex, USA
Specific surface area and porosity analyzer	ASAP 2020M	Micromeritics, USA
X-ray powder diffractometer	D/max-RA	Rigaku, Japan
Fourier-Transform Infrared Spectrometer	Spectrum 2000	Perkin Elmer, USA
X-ray photoelectron spectrometer	AXIS ULTRA DLD	Kratos, UK
Scanning Electron Microscope	SU8000	Hitachi, Japan
Fluorescence spectrophotometer	FP6500	Hitachi, Japan
Liquid tandem mass spectrometry triple quadrupole	QTRAP ® 5500	AB SCIEX, USA

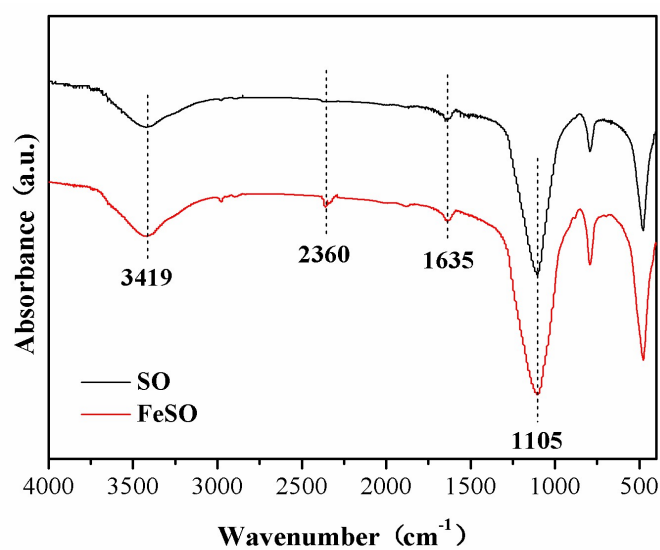


Fig. S1. FTIR spectra of SO and FeSO.

Table S2 LC-MS Liquid elution model

Gradient order	Time (min)	Flow rate ($\mu\text{l min}^{-1}$)	Acetonitrile (%)	Ultrapure water (%)
0	0.00	200	10	90
1	10.00	200	10	90
2	40.00	200	90	10
3	50.00	200	90	10
4	50.10	200	10	90
5	60.00	200	10	90

Table S3 Summary of N₂ adsorption – desorption results of catalysts.

Sample	BET ($\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$)	Pore volume ($\text{cm}^3 \text{g}^{-1}$)	Average pore size (nm)
SO	75.56	0.24	12.95
FeSO	53.45	0.16	11.78

Table S4 Dissolution of metal ions in FeSO catalytic ozonation of SMX

number of use	dissolution of metal ions (mg L^{-1})
1	0.068
2	0.057
3	0.056
4	0.045
5	0.041

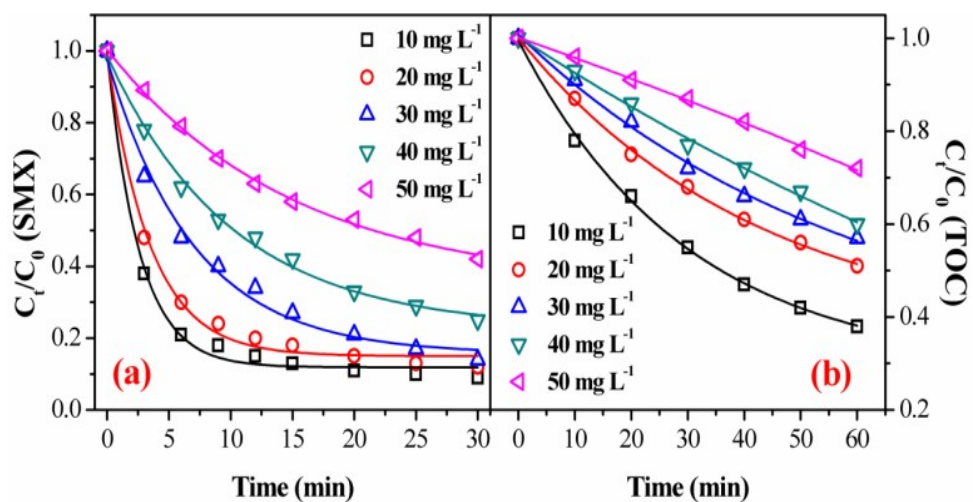
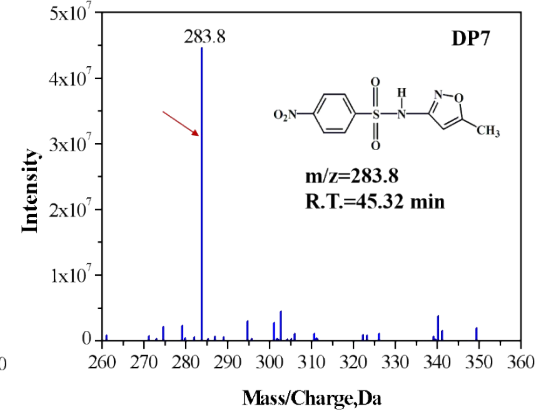
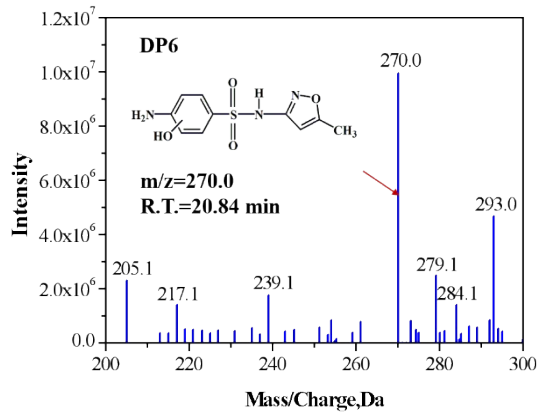
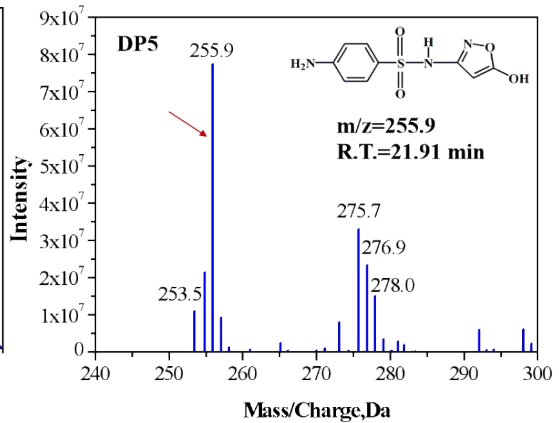
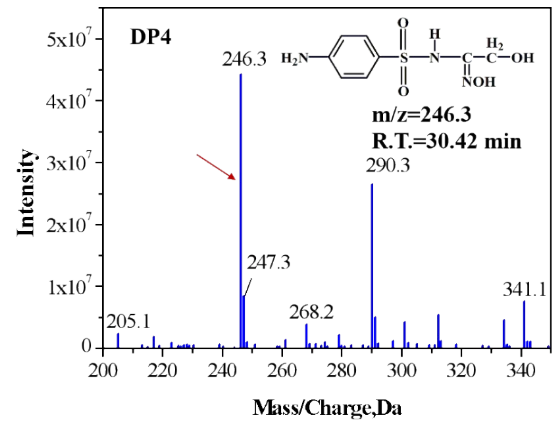
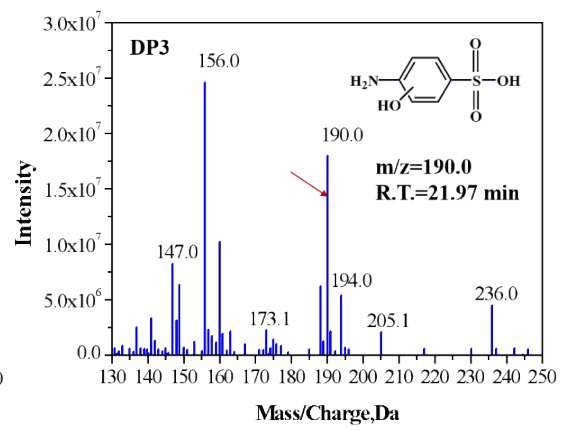
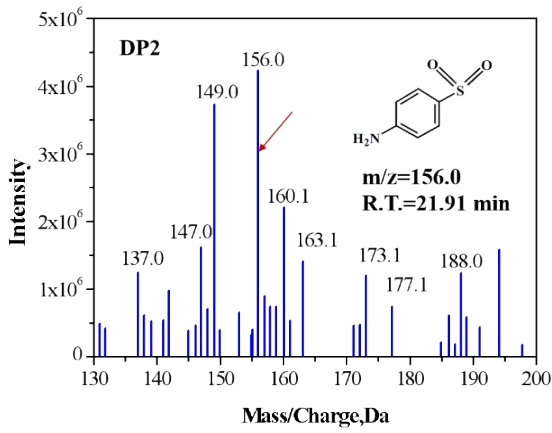
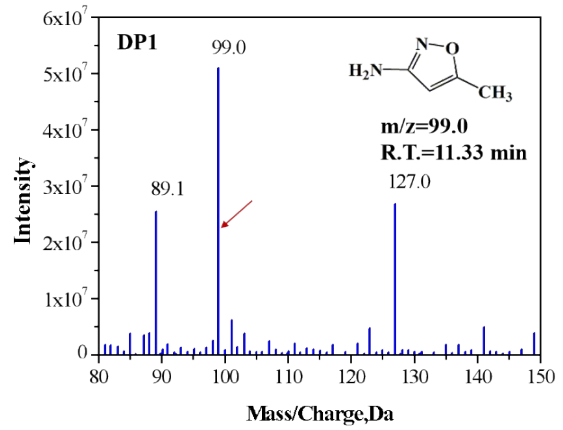
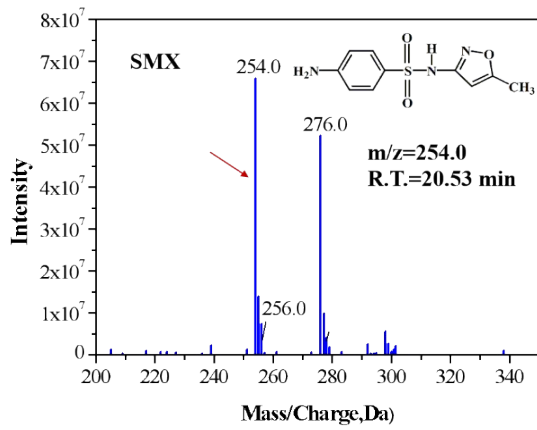


Fig. S2 Effect of initial concentration on (a) degradation and (b) mineralization of SMX in FeSO/O₃ (Experiment conditions: initial pH= 7.0, ozone dosage =0.4 mg min⁻¹, FeSO =1.0 g L⁻¹ and T=20 ± 1°C).

Table S5 Decomposed products of SMX by catalytic ozonization degradation

Item	$[M + H]^+(m/z)$	Molecular formula	Structural formula
SMX	254	$C_{10}H_{12}N_3O_3S$	
DP1	99	$C_4H_7N_2O$	
DP2	156	$C_6H_6NO_2S$	
DP3	190	$C_6H_8NO_4S$	
DP4	246	$C_8H_{12}N_3O_4S$	
DP5	256	$C_9H_{10}N_3O_4S$	
DP6	270	$C_{10}H_{11}O_4N_3S$	
DP7	284	$C_{10}H_{10}N_3O_5S$	
DP8	108	C_6H_6NO	
DP9	92	C_6H_6N	
DP10	216	$C_7H_{10}N_3O_3S$	



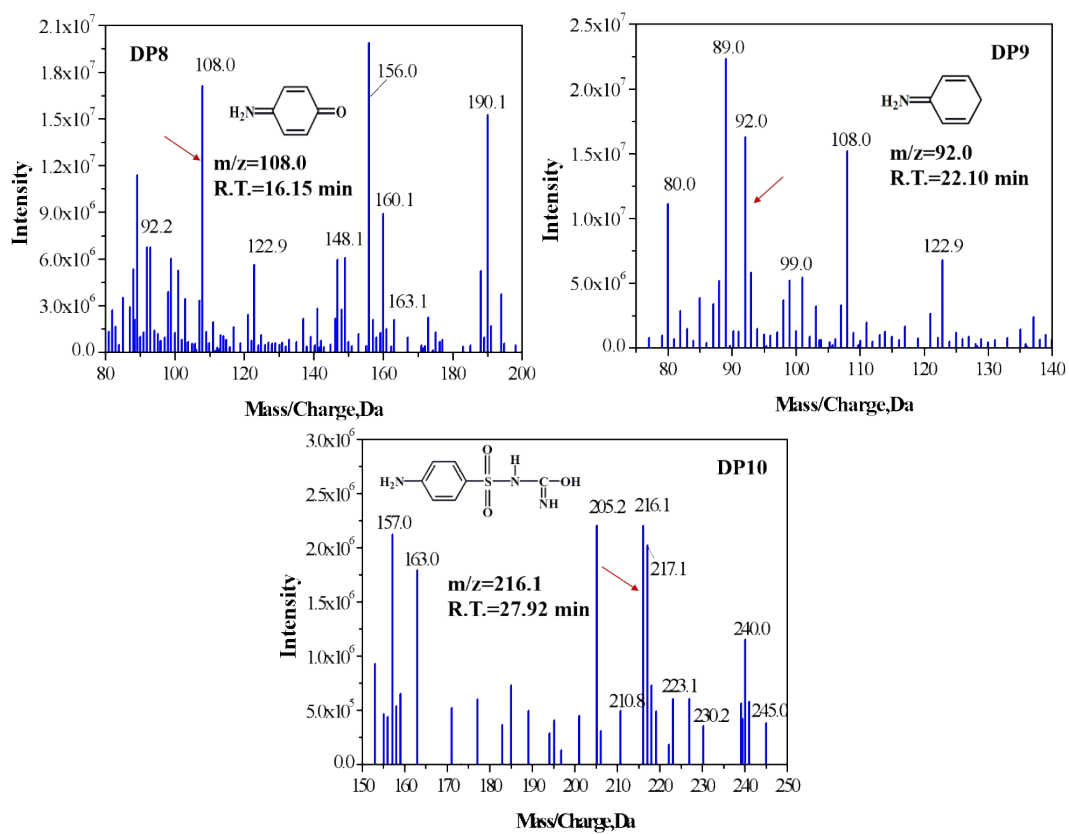


Fig. S3 LC-MS spectra of main intermediates of TCH