

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### Highly Uniform Platinum Photodeposited Hollow Mesoporous Titania Nanoparticles for Photocatalytic Degradation of Phenol

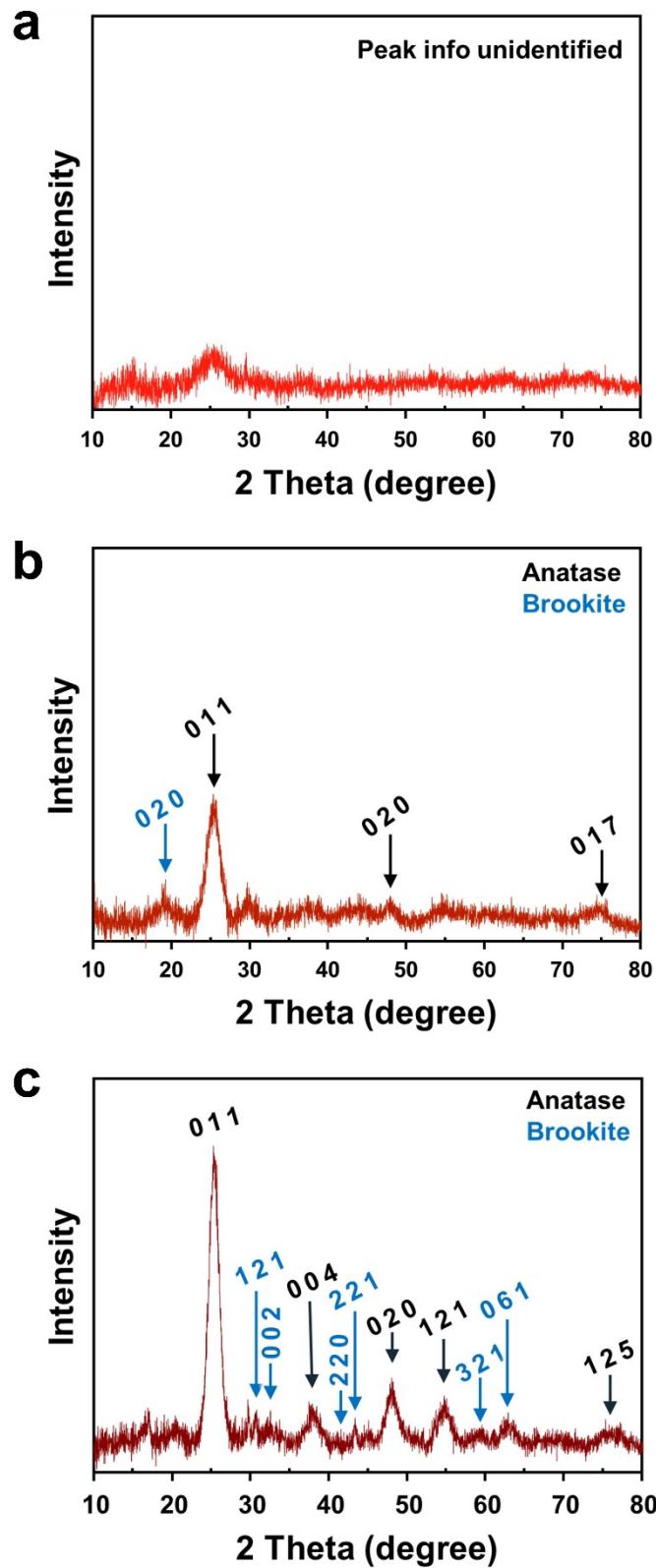
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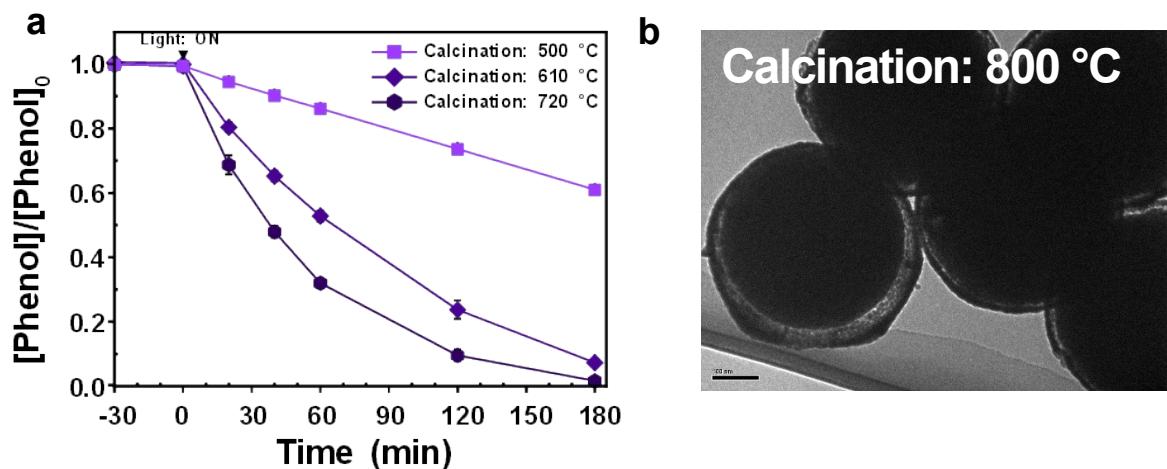
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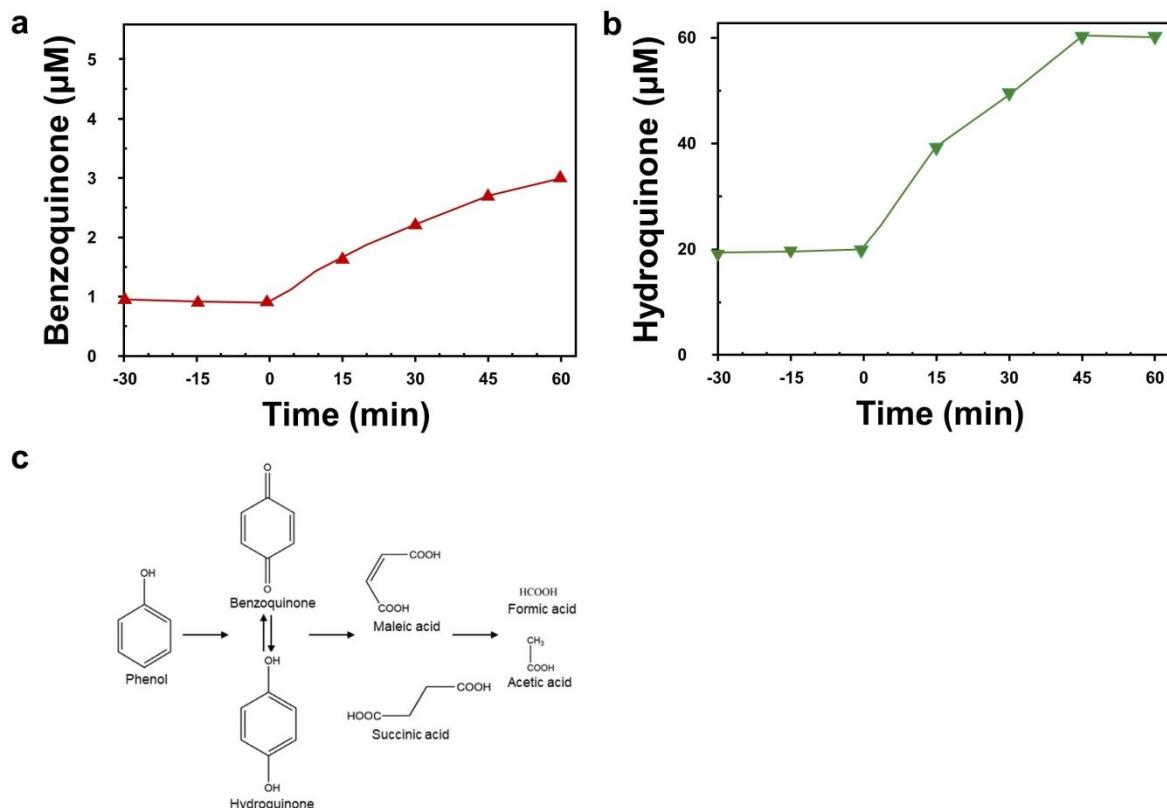
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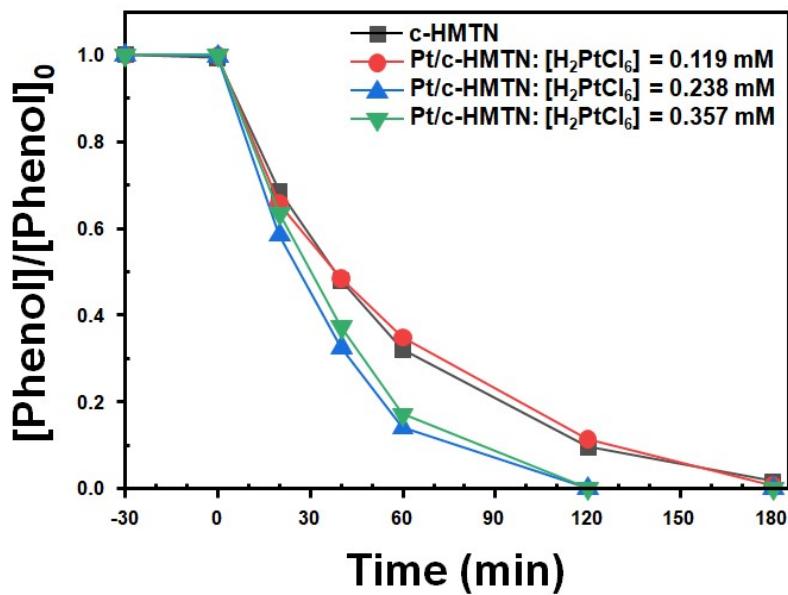
**Fig. S1.** XRD patterns of c-HMTN calcined under (a) 500 °C, (b) 610 °C, (c) 720 °C



**Fig. S2.** a) Photocatalytic activity of c-HMTN corresponding to different calcination temperatures b) TEM image of c-HMTN calcined at 800 °C



**Fig. S3.** a) Phenol degradation primary product HPLC test of a) Benzoquinone b) Hydroquinone and c) phenol degradation overall pathway

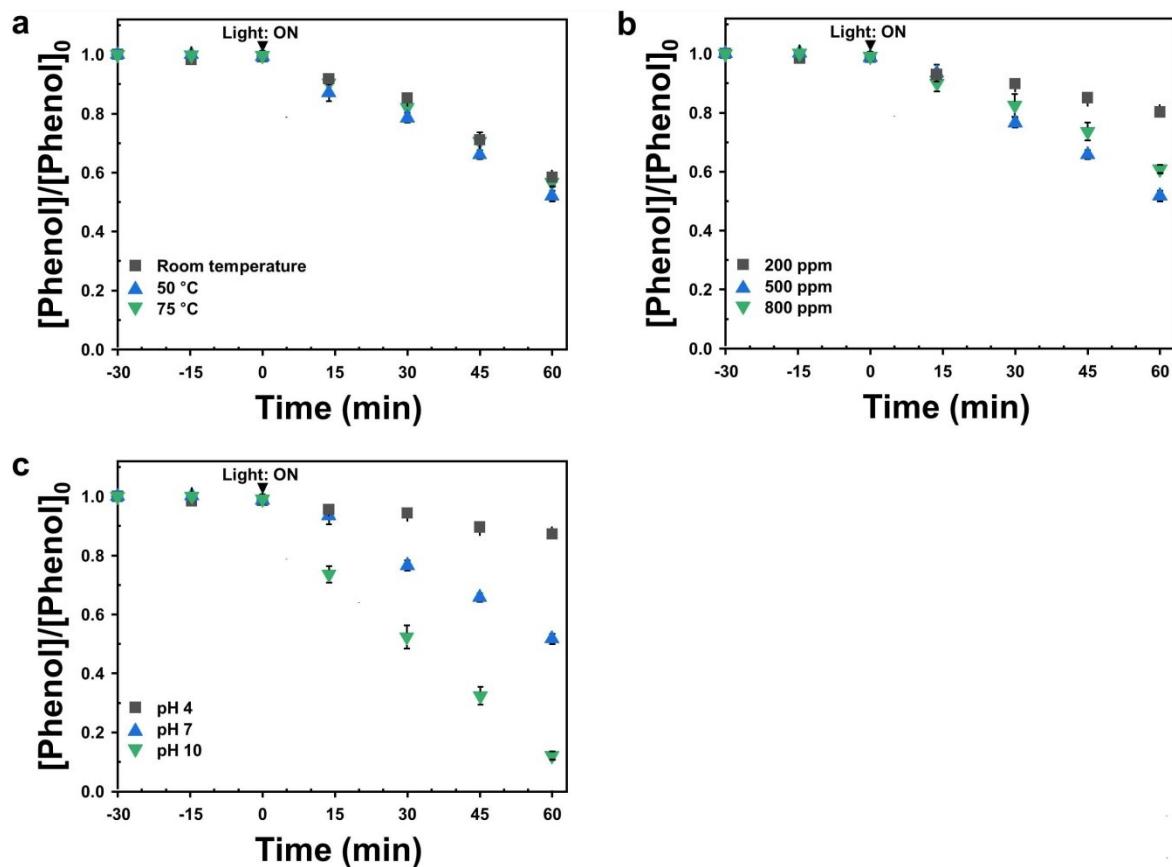


**Fig. S4.** Effect of Pt precursor concentration on Pt/c-HMTN catalytic performance.  
([Catalyst] = 500 ppm; [Phenol]<sub>0</sub> = 10 ppm; Dark phase time = 30 min; UV power = 20 W; Reaction time = 180 min)

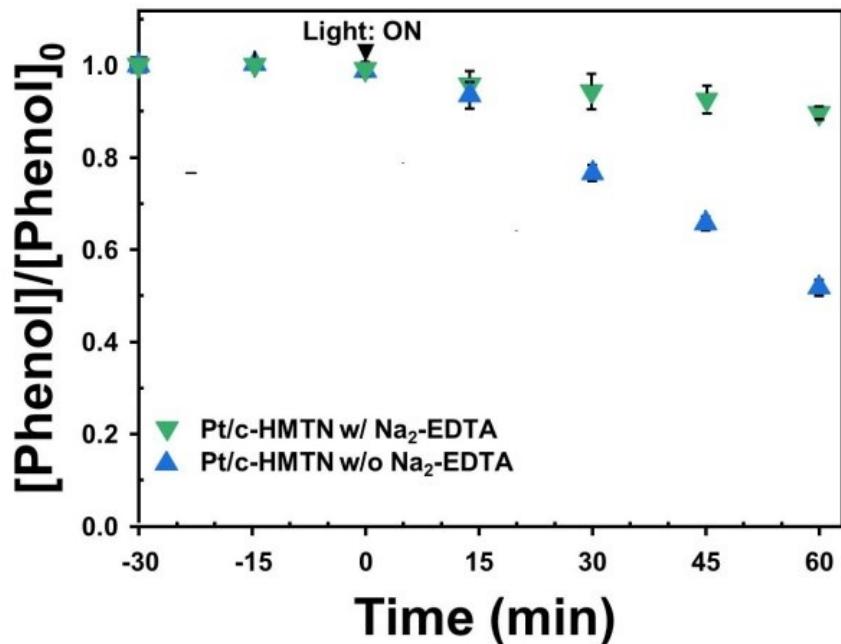
**Table S1**

Photocatalyst	Shape	Average size	Light source	Catalytic activity*	Reference
	Uniformity	Uniformity			
PAN-CNT/TiO <sub>2</sub> -NH <sub>2</sub>	Nanotube	D: ~500 nm L: several mm	UV	20 min	1
	Middle	Middle			
SnO <sub>2</sub> :Sb	Random-shaped	~2.3 nm	UV-Vis	150 min	2
	Low	Middle			
Au, Pt modified ZnO	Hollow sphere	Up to 1 mm	UV	120 min	3
	Low	Low			
Degussa P25	Random-shaped	~25 nm	UV-Vis	300 min	4
	Low	Low			
Mesoporous Pd@mTiO <sub>2</sub>	Core-shell	~20 nm	UV	120 min	5
	Low	Low			
N-doped TiO <sub>2</sub>	Unspecified	Unspecified	UV	210 min	6
F-doped TiO <sub>2</sub>	Hollow nanocube	200~400 nm	Vis	60 min	7
	Middle	Middle			
Pt/c-HMTN (This study)	Hollow sphere	450~500 nm	UV-Vis	60 min	
	High	High			

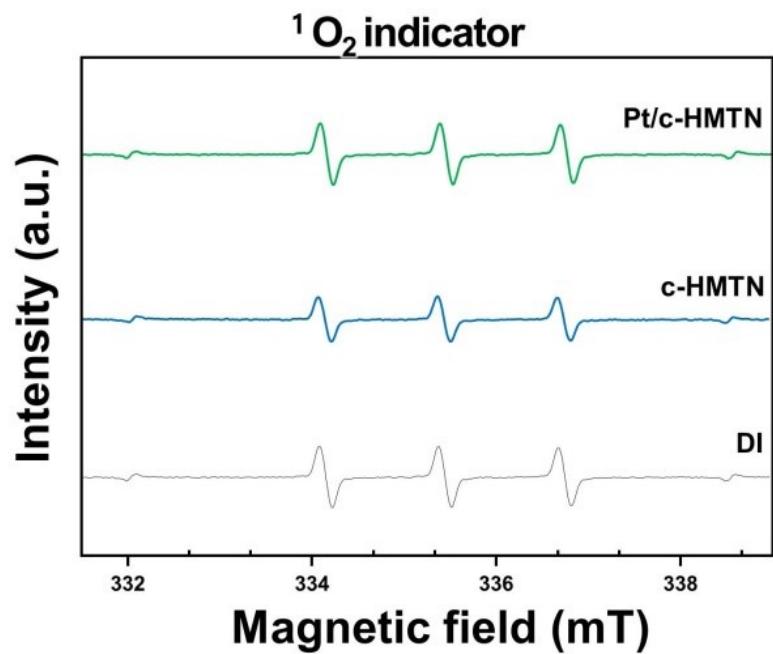
\*Average time to degrade 95% of initial phenol



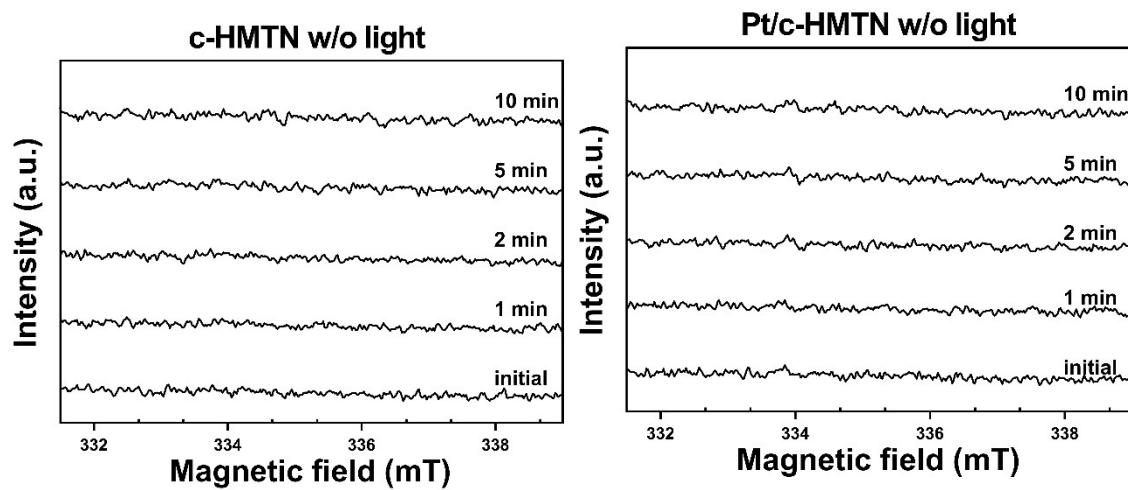
**Fig. S5.** a) Photocatalytic activity of Pt/c-HMTN corresponding to a) reaction temperatures, b) catalyst dosage and c)pH ( $[Phenol]_0 = 10 \text{ ppm}$ ; Dark phase time = 30 min; Solar simulator power = 1 SUN; Reaction time = 60 min)



**Fig. S6.** Hole-trapping scavenger test of Pt/c-HMTN in the presence Na<sub>2</sub>-EDTA versus Pt/c-HMTN without adding Na<sub>2</sub>-EDTA. ( $[Catalyst] = 500 \text{ ppm}$ ;  $[Phenol]_0 = 10 \text{ ppm}$ ;  $[Na_2\text{-EDTA}] = 20 \text{ mM}$ ; Dark phase time = 30 min; Solar simulator power = 1 SUN; Reaction time = 60 min)



**Fig. S7.** EPR spectra of Blank (DI), c-HMTN vs Pt/c-HMTN for  $^1\text{O}_2$  signal peaks in the presence of light



**Fig. S8.** EPR spectra of c-HMTN, Pt/c-HMTN at different timeframes without the presence of light

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