## **Supplementary information**

## Fabrication of a novel graphene oxide based magnetic nanocomposite and its usage as a highly effectual catalyst for the construction of N,N'-alkylidene bisamides

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## Materials and instruments

All reactants and solvents were purchased from Fluka or Sigma-Aldrich Chemical Companies. Progress of the reactions was monitored by TLC using silica gel SIL G/UV 254 plates. To measure the melting points, a Thermo Scientific 9200 apparatus was used. For recording the FT-IR spectra, a Thermo device (model AVATAR) was used. The NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance DPX FT-NMR spectrometer. EDX and elemental mapping analyses were done using a TESCAN device, model MIRA II. FE-SEM instrument TESCAN (model MIRA III) was utilized for determining sizes and morphologies of the particles. VSM analysis was performed using a MDK device (Meghnatis Daghigh Kavir, Iran) at room temperature. XRD analysis was carried out by a PHILIPS apparatus (Cu K $\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda$ =1.54056 Å, model PW1730). TGA was done using TA apparatus (model Q600), at 25-600 °C, with temperature increase rate of 10 °C.min<sup>-1</sup> in argon atmosphere.

## Selected original spectrums of the constructed bisamides



Figure S1. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of bisamide 3.



Figure S2. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of bisamide 3.



Figure S3. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of bisamide 8.



Figure S4. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of bisamide 8.





Figure S5. The mass spectrum of bisamide 8.



Figure S6. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of bisamide 10.



Figure S7. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of bisamide 10.