

Designed Synthesis of Sulfonated Polystyrene/Mesoporous Silica Hollow Nanospheres as Efficient Solid Acid Catalysts

Xiaomin Zhang^{a,b}, Lei Zhang^a, and Qihua Yang*^a

^a State Key Laboratory of Catalysis, Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, 457 Zhongshan Road, Dalian 116023, China. E-mail: yangqh@dicp.ac.cn; Web: <http://www.hmm.dicp.ac.cn>; Tel: 86-411-84379552. Fax: 86-411-84694447.

^b University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing 100049, China.

Supplementary Materials

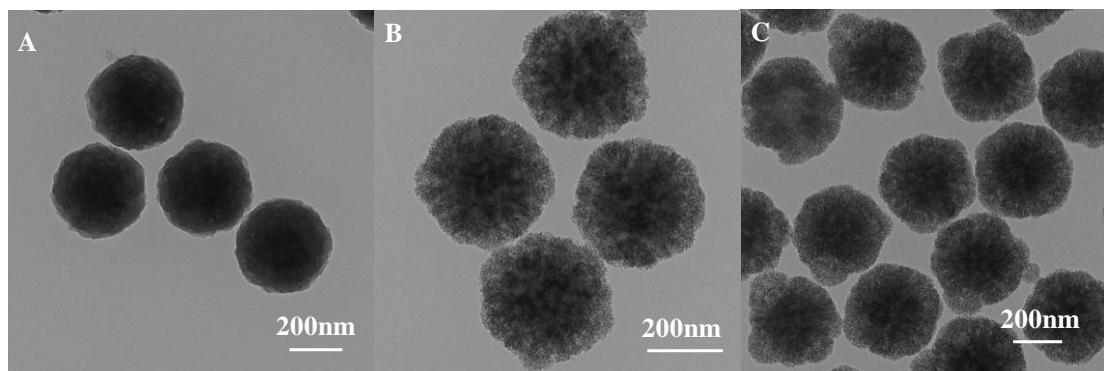


Figure S1. TEM images of PS/SiO₂ CSNs (A), PS/2.5PMA-SiO₂ CSNs (B) and PS/3.3PMA-SiO₂ CSNs (C).

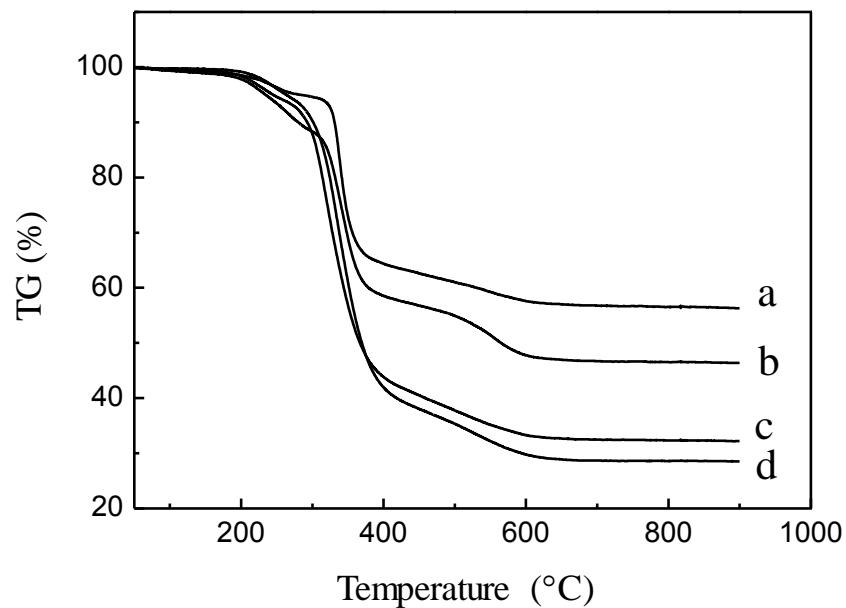


Figure S2. TG curves of the samples for PS/SiO₂ HNs (a), PS/SiO₂ HNs after THF extraction (b), PS/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (c) and PS/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs after THF extraction (d).

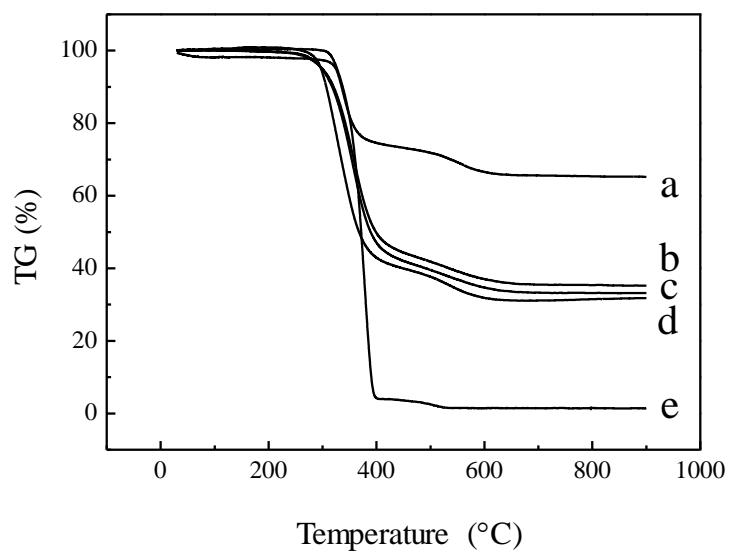


Figure S3. TG curves of the samples for PS@SiO₂ HNs (a), PS/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (b), PS/3.3PMA-SiO₂ HNs (c), PS/2.5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (d) and PS template nanospheres (e).

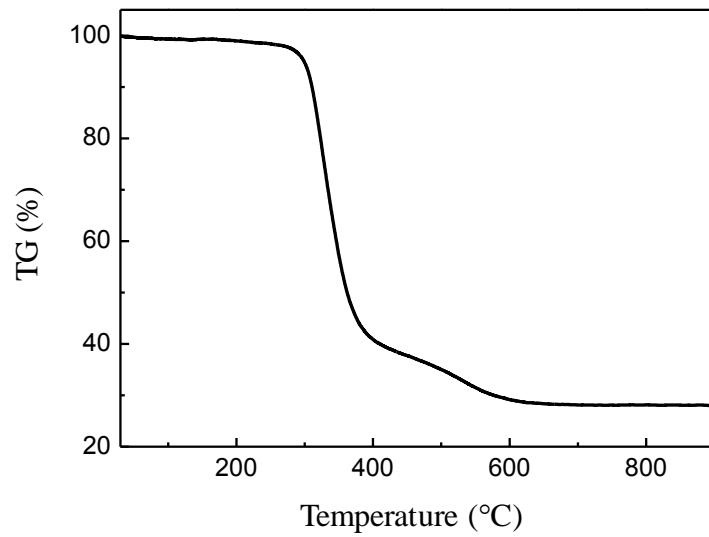


Figure S4. TG curves of the samples for PS/2.5 PMA-C8-SiO₂ HNs

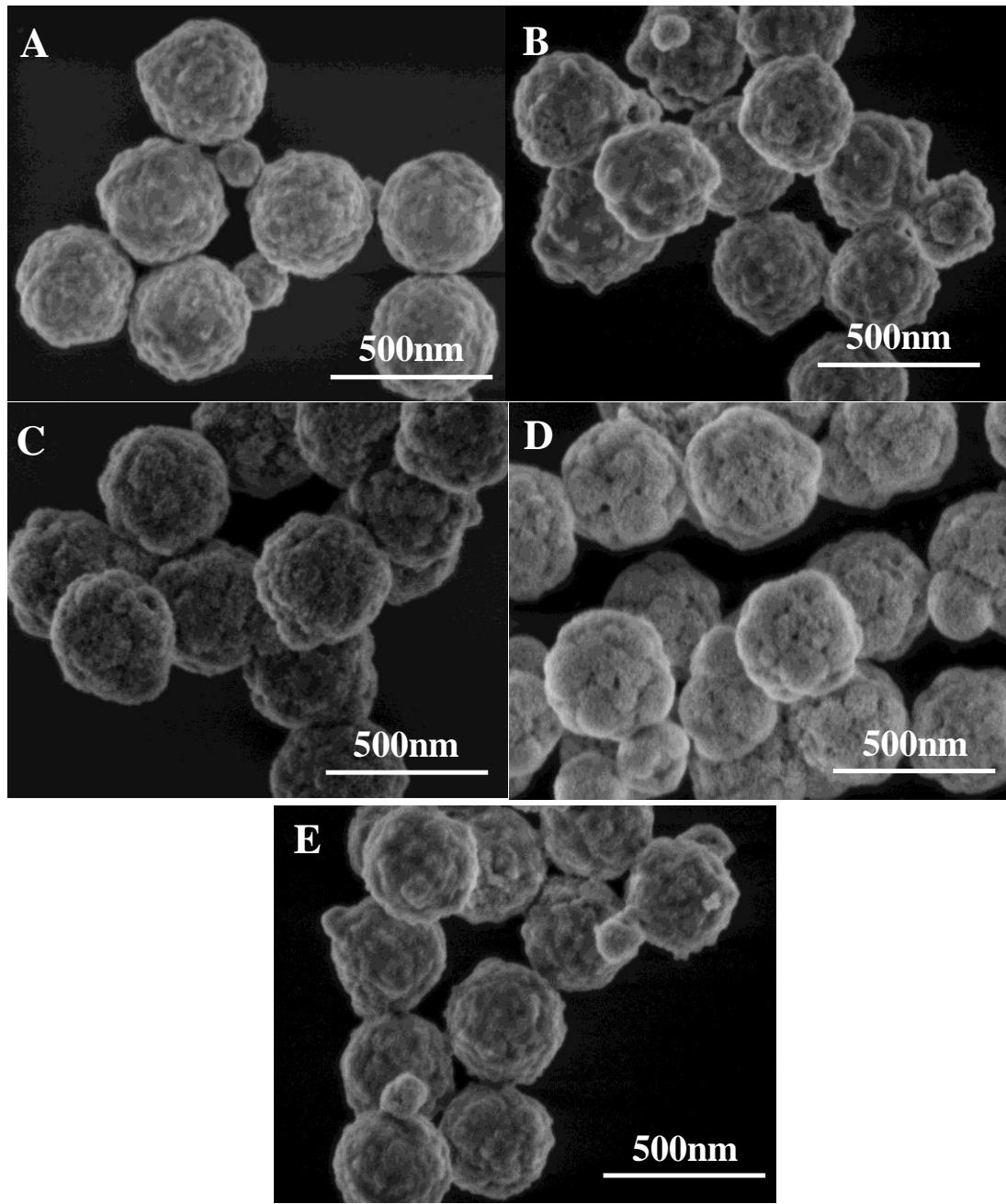


Figure S5. HR-SEM images of PS-SO₃H/SiO₂ HNs (**A**), PS-SO₃H/2.5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (**B**), PS-SO₃H/3.3PMA-SiO₂ HNs (**C**), PS-SO₃H/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (**D**), and PS-SO₃H/5PMA-C8-SiO₂ HNs (**E**).

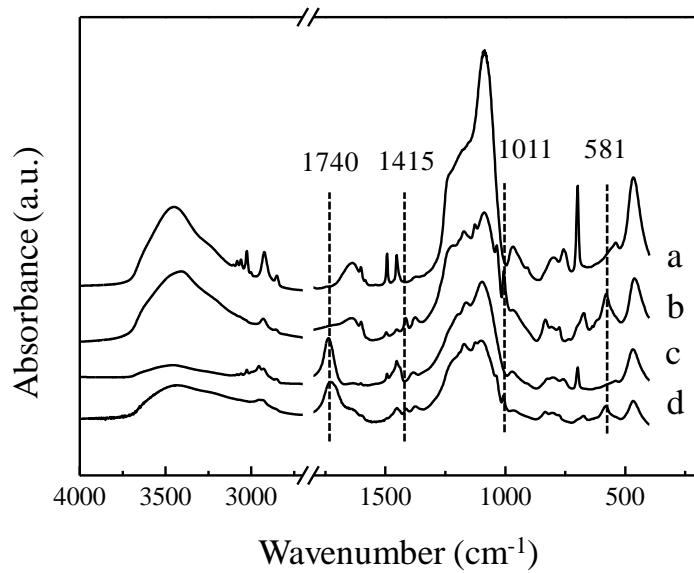


Figure S6. FT-IR spectra of PS/SiO₂ HNs (a), PS-SO₃H/SiO₂ HNs (b), PS/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (c) and PS-SO₃H/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (d)

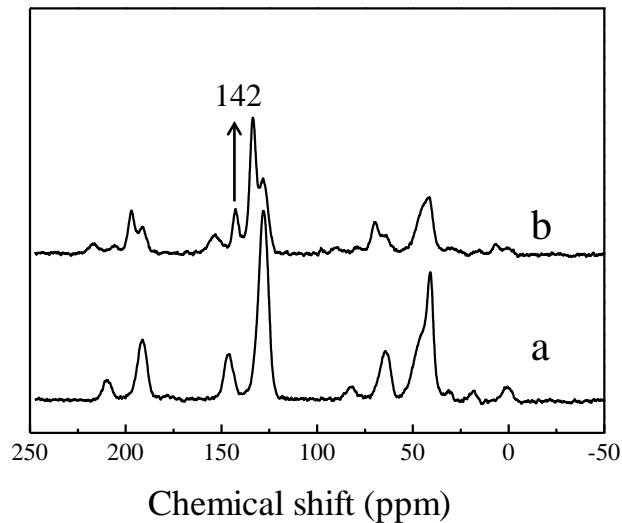


Figure S7. ¹³C NMR spectra of PS/SiO₂ HNs (a) and PS-SO₃H/SiO₂ HNs (b)

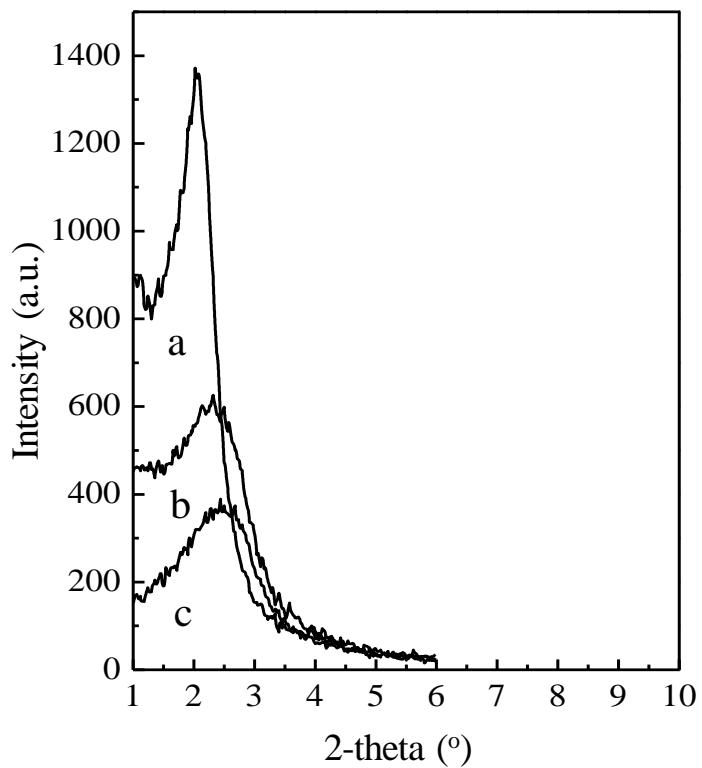


Figure S8. XRD patterns of PS/SiO₂ HNs (**a**), PS/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (**b**) and PS-SO₃H/5PMA-SiO₂ HNs (**c**)