## **Supporting Information**

## Simultaneously photocatalytic redox and removal of chromium(VI) and arsenic(III) by hydrothermal carbonsphere@nano-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

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Figure S1. SEM images of fresh HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>



Figure S2. Elemental mapping images of fresh HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>



Figure S3. SEM images of used HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>





Figure S4. Elemental mapping images of used HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>



Figure S5. TGA profiles of HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> under nitrogen (a) and air (b).



Figure S6. Simultaneously redox efficiency of Cr(VI) (a) and As(III) (b) in different systems. [Cr(VI)]=100µM, [As(III)]=100µM, cat.=0.2g/L.



Figure S7. Distribution of Fe(III) species in solutions at different pH values.

Conditions: [Fe<sup>3+</sup>]=50 µM



Figure S8. ESR spectra in the HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> system in the dark at pH 3.0.





Conditions: [Fe<sup>3+</sup>]=200 µM, [Cr<sup>3+</sup>]=100 µM, [e<sup>-</sup>]=9.3 µM



Figure S10. Species distribution of FeAsO<sub>4</sub> solution at different pH.

[FeAsO<sub>4</sub>]=0.1mol·kg<sup>-1</sup> H<sub>2</sub>O



Figure S11. Cycling experiments of HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> for the removal percentage of Cr(VI) and As(III) under light irradiation. [Cr(VI)]=100 $\mu$ M, [As(III)]=100 $\mu$ M, HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>=0.2g/L.



Figure S12. The release of Fe(II) in the HCS@Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> system and the change of Fe(II) with the addition of Cr(VI) or As(III) after 120min.