Highly Porous and Monodisperse Magnetic Silica Beads
Prepared by a Green Templating Method

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Fig. S2: DRIFT spectra of MA (1), MAS (2) and MS (3) beads. ($\Phi_{Fe2O3} = 2.1\%$)
**Fig. S3**: TEM images of microtome section of MAS beads (a) $\Phi_{Fe_2O_3} = 0.06\%$; 
(b) $\Phi_{Fe_2O_3} = 0.96\%$
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