Supporting Information for

## Controlled synthesis and gas sensing properties of porous

## Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/NiO hierarchical nanostructures

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Fig. S1 TG curve of the precursor of Fe(3-Clpy)<sub>2</sub>[Ni(CN)<sub>4</sub>].



Fig. S2 HRTEM images of the cuboid-like Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/NiO nanocomposite.



Fig. S3 SAED patterns of the cuboid-like Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/NiO nanocomposite.



Fig. S4 SEM images of the precursor products obtained at different reaction times.



**Fig. S5** SEM image of the precursor product obtained at reaction time of 1 min in the presence of PEG.



**Fig. S6** SEM images of the precursor products obtained with different amounts of  $K_2[Ni(CN)_4]$  in the presence of PEG (the molar ratios of  $K_2[Ni(CN)_4]$  /3-Clpy / Fe(BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O / PEG = 1:2:1:10).



**Fig. S7** SEM images of the precursor products obtained with different amounts of  $K_2[Ni(CN)_4]$  without PEG (the molar ratios of  $K_2[Ni(CN)_4] / 3$ -Clpy / Fe(BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O = 1:2:1).



**Fig. S8** SEM image of the precursor product synthesized with the same condition as the flower-like precursor except for using PVP (5 mmol) instead of PEG as the surfactant.