

## Supporting information

### **Guanidine sulfate-assisted synthesis of hexagonal WO<sub>3</sub> nanoparticles with enhanced adsorption properties**

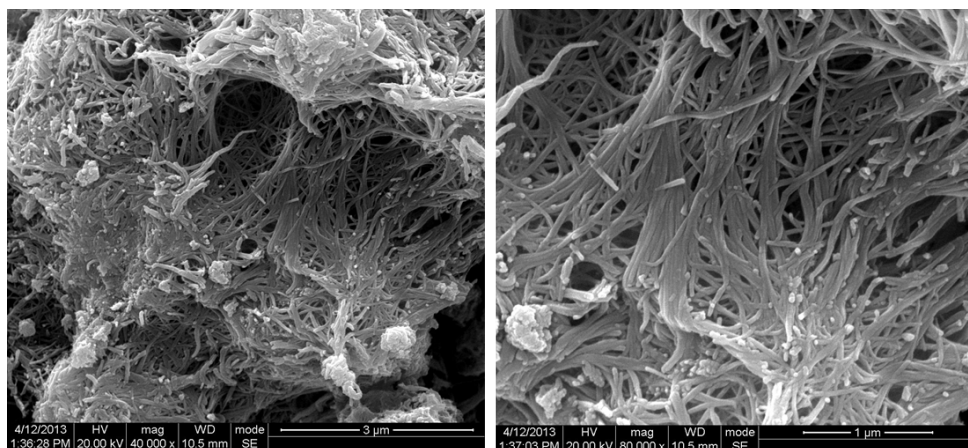
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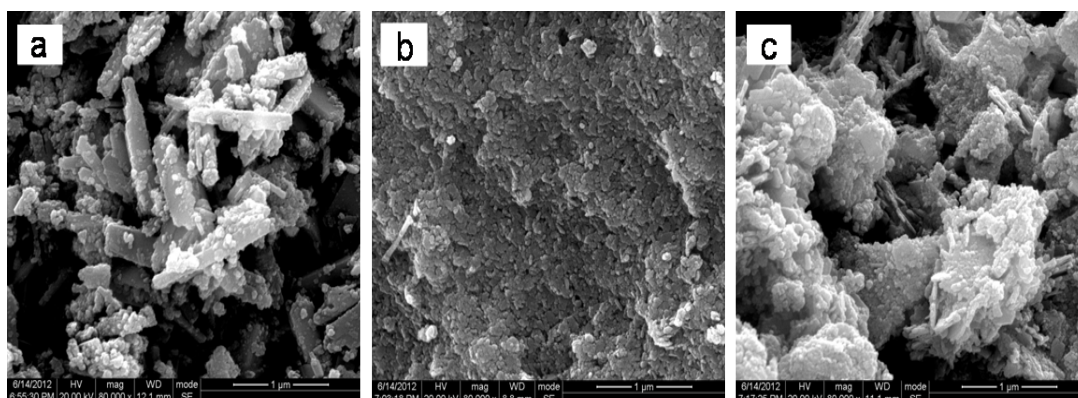
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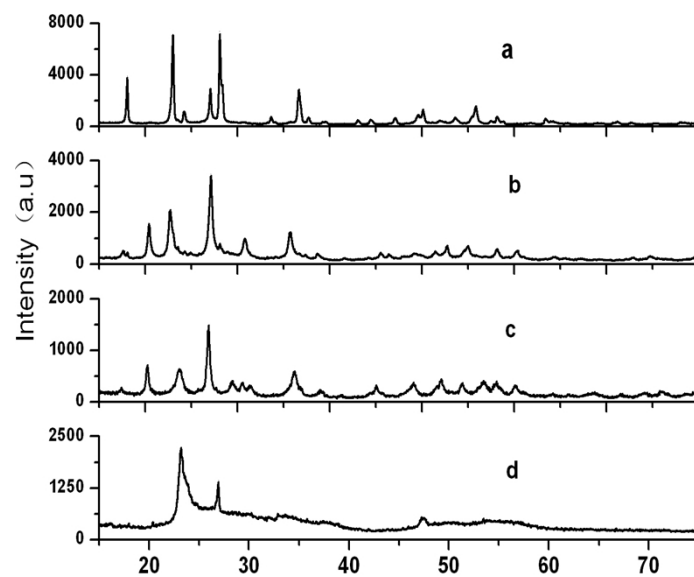
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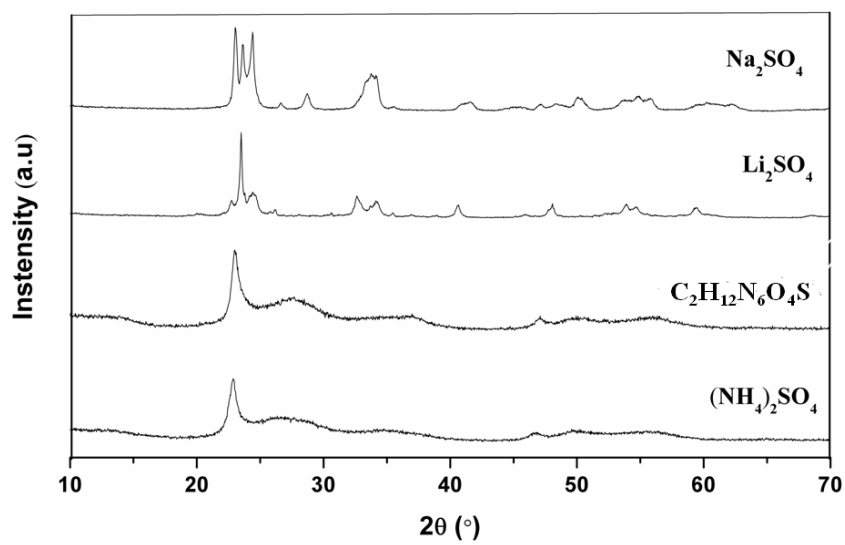
**Fig.1. SEM images of the samples synthesized via hydrothermal treatment at 170 °C for 24 h with addition of 5 g  $C_2H_{10}N \cdot H_2SO_4$**



**Fig.2. SEM images of  $WO_3$  nanocrystals synthesized with different salts (a)  $CH_5N_3 \cdot HCl$ , (b)  $C_2H_{10}N_6 \cdot H_2CO_3$ , (c)  $C_2H_6N_4S$ .**



**Fig.3. XRD patterns of  $\text{WO}_3$  nanocrystals synthesized with different salts, (a)  $\text{CH}_5\text{N}_3\cdot\text{HCl}$ , (b)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_6\cdot\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ , (c)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{N}_4\text{S}$ .**



**Fig.4 XRD patterns of  $\text{WO}_3$  nanocrystals synthesized with different salts**