Supporting Information

Template-free synthesis of mesoporous CeO₂ powders based on the chemical

etching and reconstruction of precursors for acid orange 7 adsorption

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Figure S1. FT-IR spectrum of the precursor obtained after adding NH_4HCO_3 to the Ce^{3+} solution

(Precursor in Fig. 1).



Figure S2. SEM image of the product obtained in the absence of H_2O_2 (Sample 1 in Fig. 1).



Figure S3. TEM images of the samples synthesized by hydrothermal method at 200 °C for (a) 1 h, (b)

6 h, (c) 12 h and (d) 36 h.