## **Supporting Information**

## Enhanced catalytic oxidation ability of ternary layered double hydroxides for

## organic pollutants degradation

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	$Mg_4Al_2$	$Cu_4Al_2$	$Co_4Al_2$	$Mg_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Cu_2Al_2$
$S_{BET}$ (mg <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	55	22	36	57	60
Vp (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	0.26	0.07	0.18	0.15	0.14
	$Mg_3Co_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Co_2Al_2$	$Co_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Co_2Cu_2Al_2$	$Co_1Cu_3Al_2$
$S_{BET}$ (mg <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Mg <sub>3</sub> Co <sub>1</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 50	Mg <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 43	Co <sub>3</sub> Cu <sub>1</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 50	Co <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 52	Co <sub>1</sub> Cu <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 22

Table S1. The specific surface ( $S_{BET}$ ) and pore volume (Vp) of LDH materials.

	$Mg_4Al_2$	$Cu_4Al_2$	$Co_4Al_2$	$Mg_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Cu_2Al_2$
Zeta potential (mV)	39.4	34.9	28.3	38.2	35.2
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	$Mg_3Co_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Co_2Al_2$	$Co_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Co_2Cu_2Al_2$	$Co_1Cu_3Al_2$

Table S2. Zeta potential value of LDH materials.

OII	$Mg_4Al_2$	$Cu_4Al_2$	$Co_4Al_2$	$Mg_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Cu_2Al_2$
q <sub>e</sub> (mg/g)	53.6	72.5	34.4	59.9	56.5
$k_1$ (min <sup>-1</sup> )	0.0308	0.0173	0.0142	0.0329	0.0331
R <sup>2</sup>	0.9893	0.9981	0.9797	0.9587	0.9430
	$Mg_3Co_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Co_2Al_2$	$Co_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Co_2Cu_2Al_2$	$Co_1Cu_3Al_2$
q <sub>e</sub> (mg/g)	Mg <sub>3</sub> Co <sub>1</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 63.0	Mg <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 50.9	Co <sub>3</sub> Cu <sub>1</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 25.9	Co <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 30.4	Co <sub>1</sub> Cu <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 30.7
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Table S3. Kinetic parameters for adsorption of OII, obtained using the pseudo-first order model. C<sub>initial</sub> = 300 mg / L.

	$Mg_4Al_2$	$Cu_4Al_2$	$Co_4Al_2$	$Mg_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Cu_2Al_2$
n	7.7	10.1	7.0	5.0	9.3
K <sub>F</sub> (mg/g)/(L/mg) <sup>1/n</sup>	63.1	63.0	26.5	33.7	66.1
R <sup>2</sup>	0.6473	0.7607	0.7143	0.7620	0.4468
	$Mg_3Co_1Al_2$	$Mg_2Co_2Al_2$	$Co_3Cu_1Al_2$	$Co_2Cu_2Al_2$	$Co_1Cu_3Al_2$
n	Mg <sub>3</sub> Co <sub>1</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 11.5	Mg <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 9.1	Co <sub>3</sub> Cu <sub>1</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 11.4	Co <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 13.8	Co <sub>1</sub> Cu <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> 17.5
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Table S4. Fitting parameters obtained using the Freundlcih isotherms model, n stands for the heterogeneity factor,  $K_F$  for the Freundlich constant and  $R^2$  for squared correlation coefficient.



Fig. S1. Extracted data from XRD diffractograms: A) Evolution of Full Width at Half Height of the (003) reflection as function of the metal substitution; Evolution of lattice parameters a, c for B) MgCoAl, C) MgCuAl and D) CoCuAl.





Fig. S2. N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms of LDH materials



Fig. S3. TEM image of A) Mg<sub>4</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>, B) Mg<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>2</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>, C) Mg<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>, D) Co<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>2</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>



Fig. S4. XRD of  $Mg_4Al_2$  before / after OII adsorption.



Fig. S5. XRD of  $Co_3Cu_1Al_2$  before / after orange II degradation.



Fig. S6. FT-IR spectra of  $Co_3Cu_1Al_2$  before / after orange II degradation.