## **Supporting Information**

## *In situ* generated nickel on cerium oxide nanoparticle for efficient catalytic reduction of 4-nitrophenol

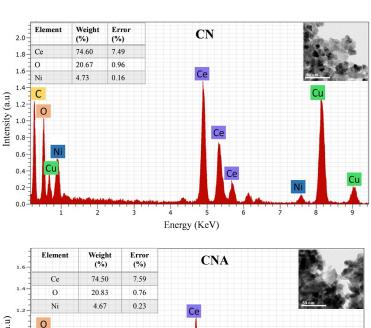
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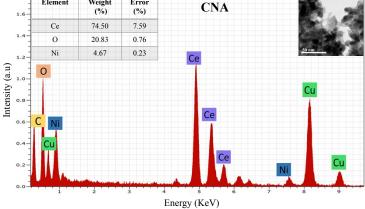
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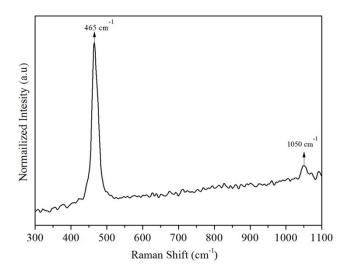


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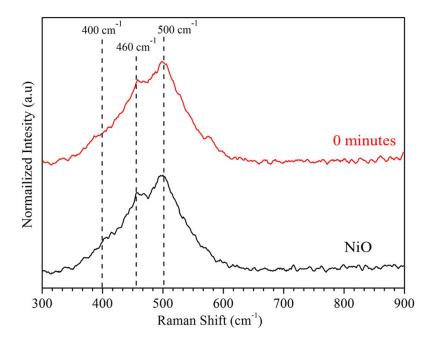
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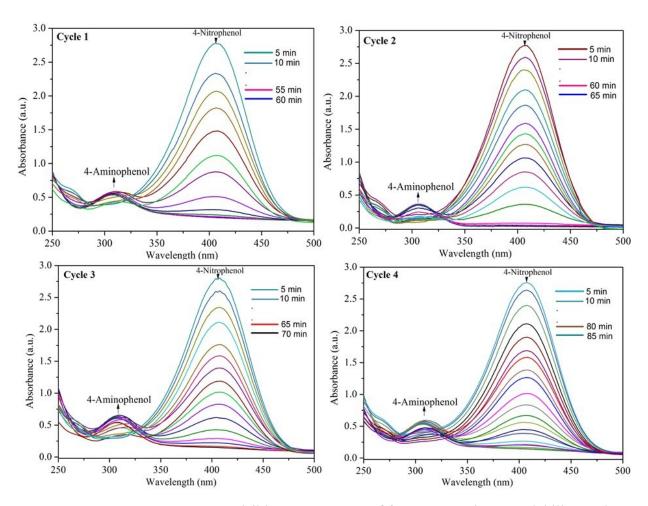
from FEI-Tecnai G<sup>2</sup> 20 S-TWIN operated at 200 keV attached with Bruker XFlash 6T130 EDX Detector).



Supplementary Figure 2. Raman spectroscopy of CN catalyst dispersed in water.



**Supplementary Figure 3.** The Raman Spectra of pure NiO dispersed in water and 0 minutes indicates the spectra taken subsequently after the addition of NaBH<sub>4</sub>.



**Supplementary Figure 4.** UV-Visible Spectroscopy of four consecutive recyclability cycles using CN as catalyst for the reduction of 4-nitrophenol to 4-Aminophenol.