

**Pd nanoparticles immobilized on carbon nanotubes with a polyaniline coaxial coating  
for the Heck reaction: coating thickness as the key factor influencing the efficiency and  
stability of the catalyst**

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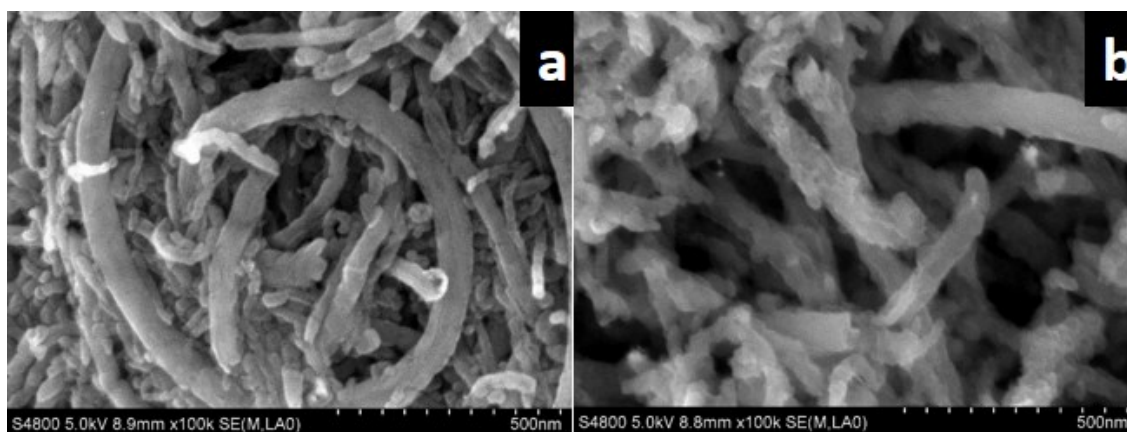
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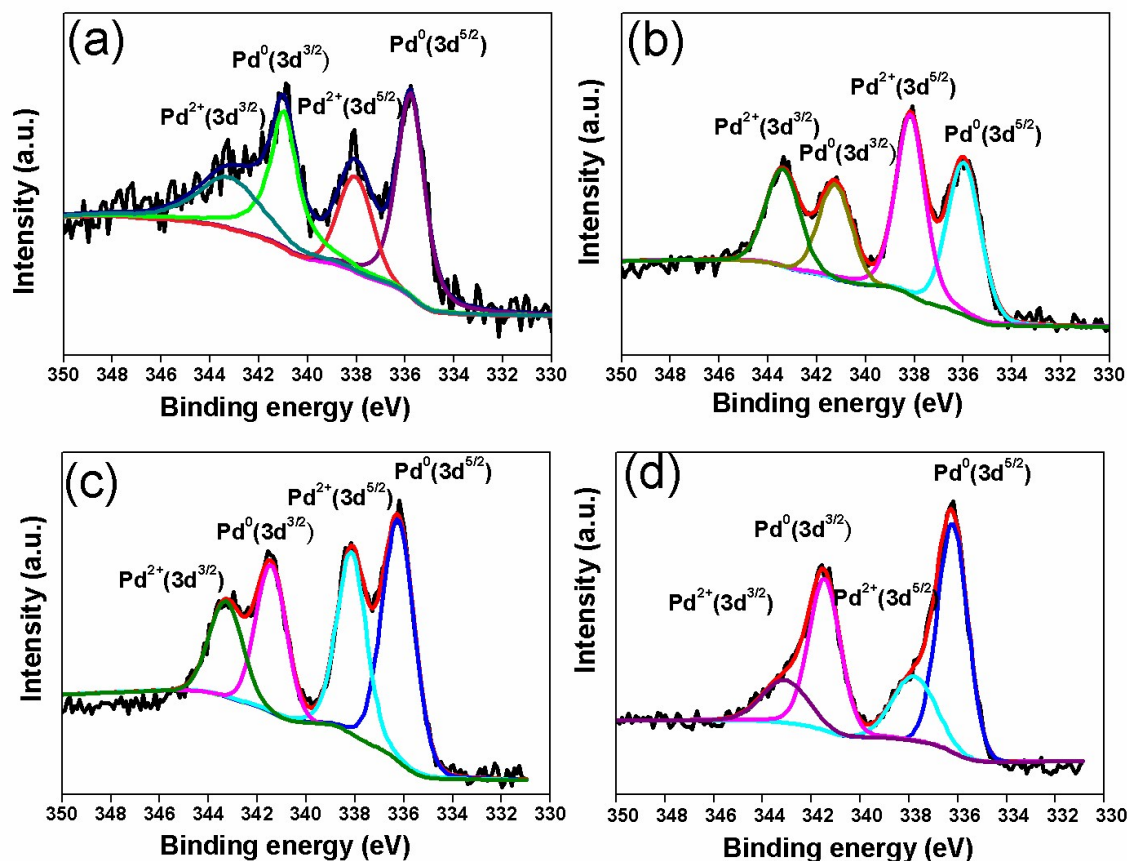
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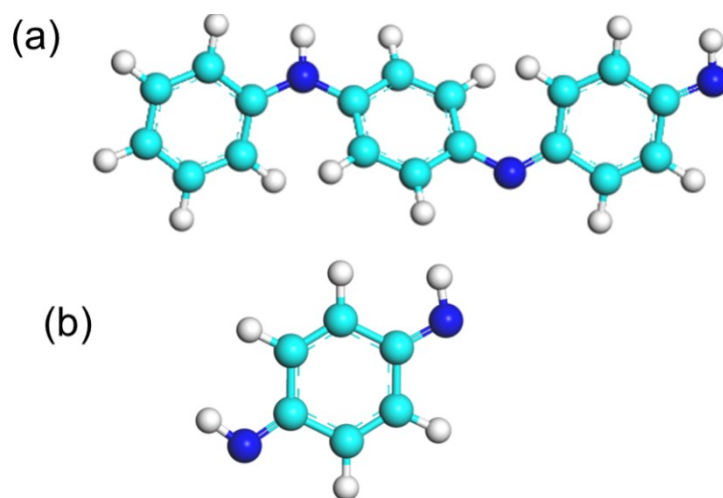
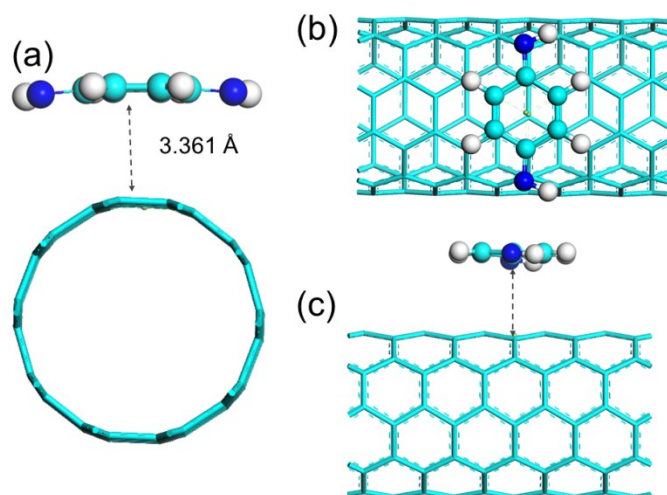
**Fig. S1** SEM results of (a) CNT and CNT@PANI-0.5(b).

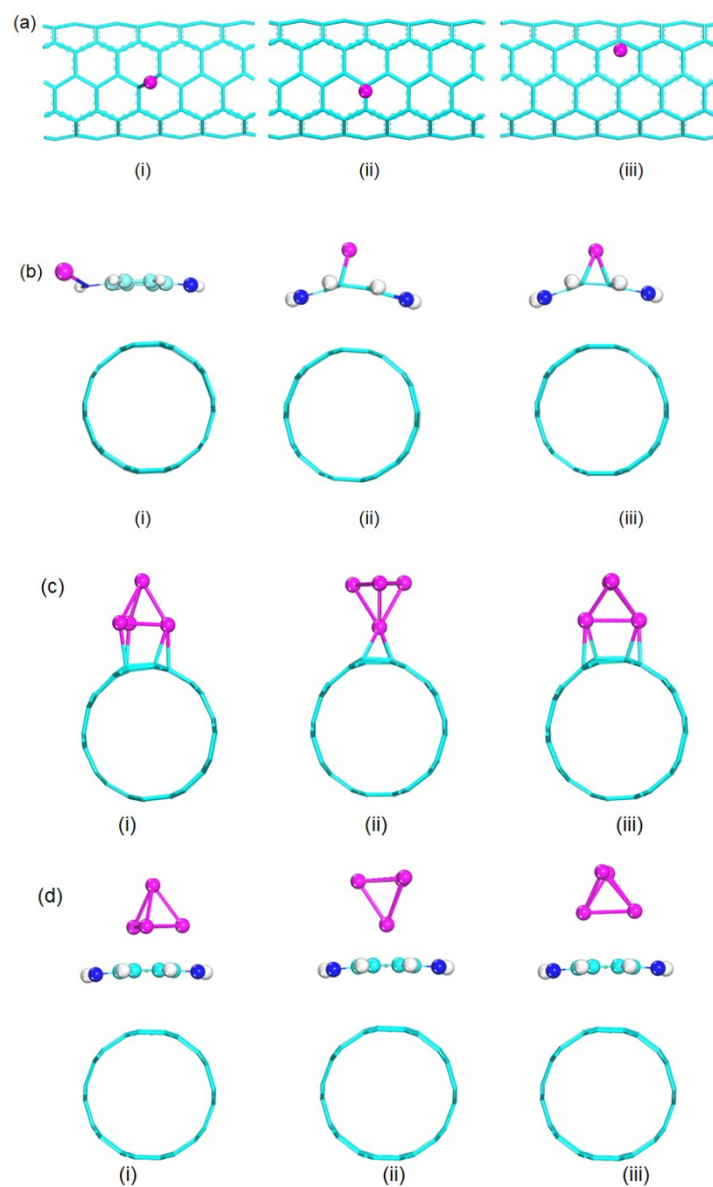


**Fig. S2** Pd 3d core level of XPS spectra of the four catalysts. Pd/CNT(a); Pd/PANI@CNT-0.5(b); Pd/PANI@CNT-1(c); and Pd/PANI@CNT-4(d). The data point of the Pd 3d peaks are fitted by four profiles. The fitting results are shown in Table S1.

**Table S1** Assignment and atomic% of the four catalysts

Catalysts	Pd 3d <sup>5/2</sup>				Pd 3d <sup>3/2</sup>			
	Pd <sup>0</sup>		Pd <sup>2+</sup>		Pd <sup>0</sup>		Pd <sup>2+</sup>	
	BE/eV	at%	BE/eV	at%	BE/eV	at%	BE/eV	at%
Pd/CNT	335.8	68%	338.08	32%	341	58 %	343.2	42%
Pd/PANI@CNT-0.5	336	48%	338.2	52%	341.3	48%	343.4	52%
Pd/PANI@CNT-1	336.2	58%	338.2	42%	341.4	58%	343.3	42%
Pd/PANI@CNT-4	336.2	71%	337.8	29%	341.5	72%	343.1	28%

**Fig. S3** Molecular structure of PANI unit(a); selected fragment of PANI in this work(b).**Fig. S4** Optimized structure of PANI@CNT: (a)side view (along the tube); (b)front view; (c)side view

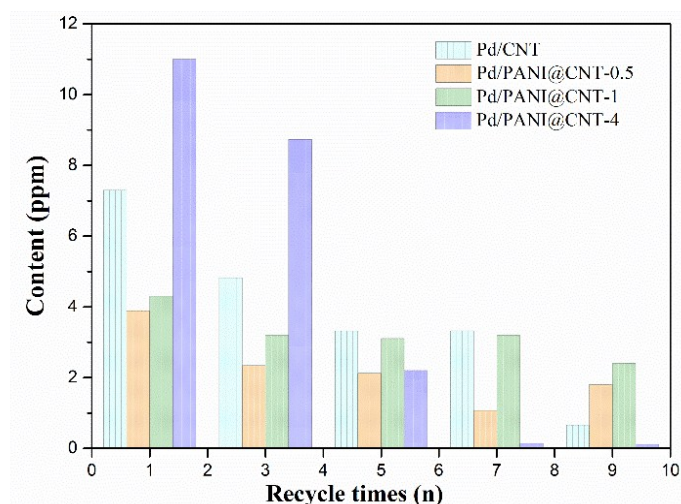


**Fig. S5** Adsorption sites of Pd on CNT(a); Adsorption sites of Pd on PANI@CNT(b); adsorption sites of Pd<sub>4</sub> on CNT(c); adsorption sites of Pd<sub>4</sub> on PANI@CNT(d).

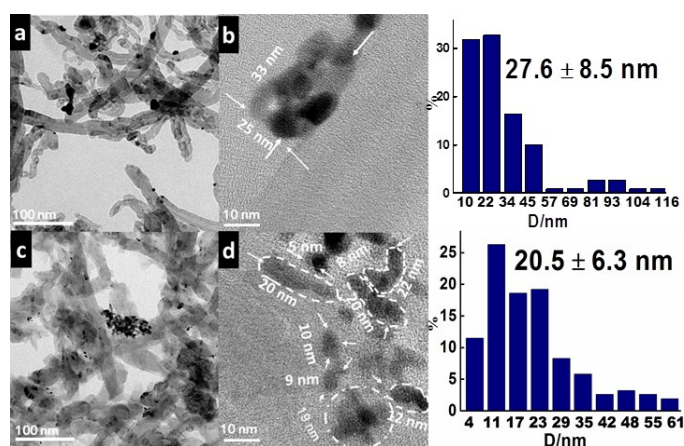
**Table S2** Catalytic performance of catalytic performance of different Pd based catalysts in the coupling reaction

Entry	Catalyst <sup>1</sup>	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	Amount (mol% Pd)	Yield <sup>2</sup> (%)	Reuse	Final Yield (%)
1	Pd/HCN <sup>3</sup> [1]	120	1	0.255	100 <sup>4</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	100
2	Pd/MFC <sup>5</sup> [2]	120	4	0.308	100 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	95
3	Pd/graphene oxide [3]	Reflux	5	0.54	62 <sup>6</sup>	/	/
4	Pd/MCPPy <sup>7</sup> [4]	120	3	0.01 g, 21 wt%	97 <sup>6</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	/
5	PdNs-PAMAM-g-MWCNTs [5]	100	2.5	0.3	95 <sup>8</sup>	7 <sup>th9</sup>	95
6	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> -NH <sub>2</sub> -Pd [6]	130	10	5	>99 <sup>4,10</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	94
7	[Pd]-APTS-Y <sup>11</sup> [7]	120	2	0.075 g, 4.5 wt%	95 <sup>4,10</sup>	3 <sup>rd9</sup>	94
8	PVP-Pd/SiO <sub>2</sub> [8]	120	1	0.5	93 <sup>8</sup>	7 <sup>th12</sup>	100
9	Pd/N-MCNPs <sup>13</sup> [9]	120	3	0.01g, 40 wt%	97 <sup>8,10</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	97
10	PANI-Pd [10]	120	40	2.25	98 <sup>8</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	90
11	Pd/PANI@CNT-0.5 <sup>14</sup>	110	1.5	0.15	98 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	94
12	Pd/PANI@CNT-0.5 <sup>14</sup>	100	2.5	0.2	95 <sup>4</sup>	/	/

<sup>1</sup>References; <sup>2</sup>Coupling reaction of iodobenzene and styrene; <sup>3</sup>HCN=hollow carbon nanonets; <sup>4</sup>Yields were calculated against the consumption of the aryl halides; <sup>5</sup>Pd/MFC=Pd nanoparticles supported on magnetic Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C nanocomposites; <sup>6</sup>GC Yield; <sup>7</sup>MCPPy= magnetic carboxylated polypyrrole nanotubes; <sup>8</sup>Isolated yields; <sup>9</sup>Reaction of 4-methyl-iodobenzene and methyl acrylate; <sup>10</sup>N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere; <sup>11</sup>APTS-Y=Amine-Functionalized Zeolite; <sup>12</sup>Reaction of iodobenzene and n-butyl acrylate; <sup>13</sup>N-MCNPs=Nitrogen-doped magnetic carbon nanoparticles; <sup>14</sup>Reaction conditions: iodobenzene (1 mmol), styrene (1.5 mmol), NEt<sub>3</sub> (1.5 mmol) and 2 mL of DMF.

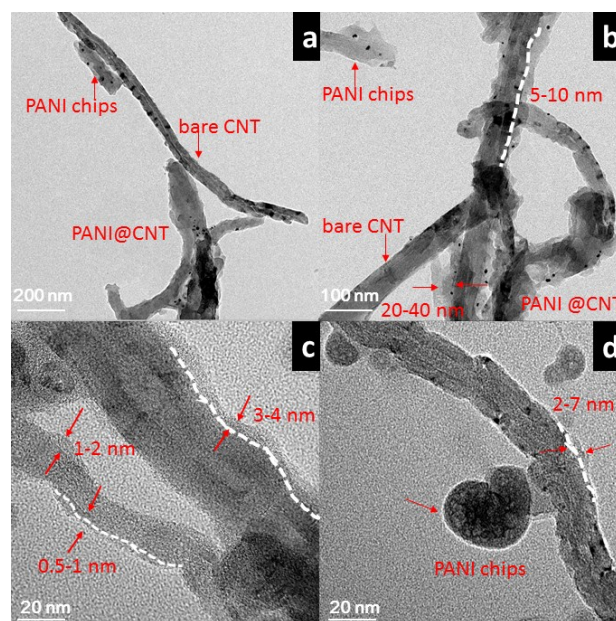


**Fig. S6.** Leached amounts of the Pd species in solvent in selected runs. Reaction conditions: The reaction was carried out with 5 mmol of IB, 7.5 mmol of styrene, 7.5 mmol of  $\text{NEt}_3$ , 0.15 mol% Pd with respect to the IB and 10 mL of DMF at 110 °C. The tested details are presented in experimental section.

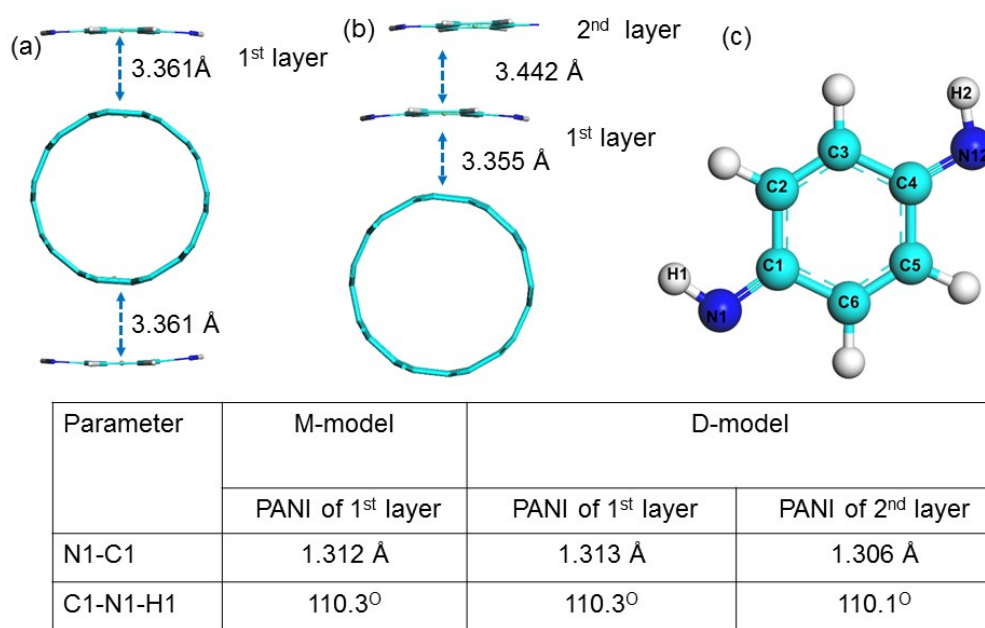


**Fig. S7.** TEM of catalyst after recycling ten times: Pd/CNT(a,b); Pd/PANI@CNT-0.5(c,d). The used catalyst was washed with DMF, ethyl alcohol and water to remove organic compounds like stilbene.

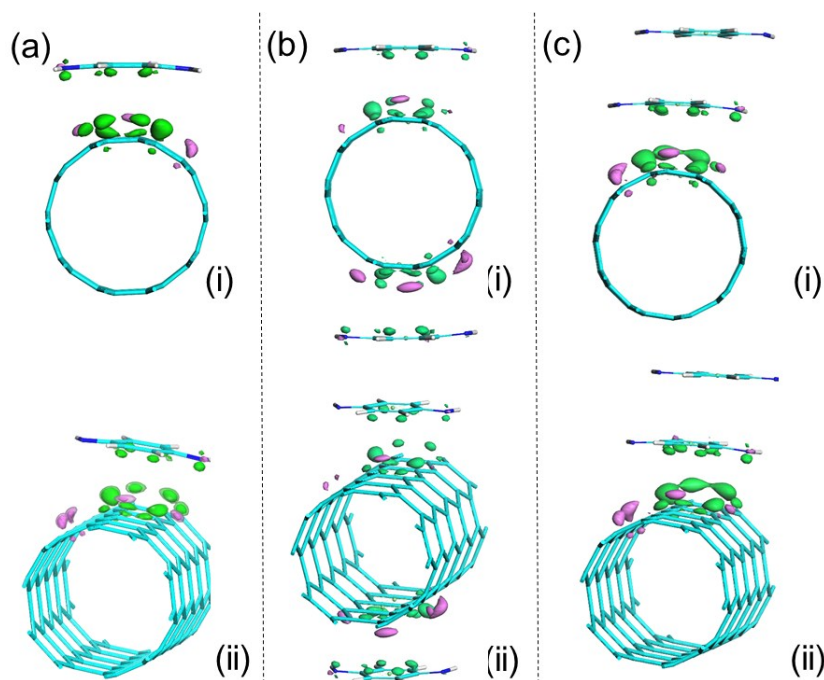




**Fig. S8** TEM results of Pd/CNT@PANI-4 after five times of reuse.



**Fig. S9** Structural parameters of PANI2@CNT with M-model(a); D-model(b) and atom name of PANI fragment(c).



**Fig. S10** Calculated charge density difference  $\Delta\rho$  for PANI@CNT complex(a); PANI2@CNT with M-model(b); PANI2@CNT with D-model(c); front view(i); side view(ii). Iso-density surfaces for electron accumulation/depletion of  $0.002 \text{ e}/\text{\AA}^3$  are displayed in green (-)/pink (+).

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