

Supplementary Information

Nanotube-shaped PtFe intermetallics: Control synthesis, crystal structure and their improved electrocatalytic activities

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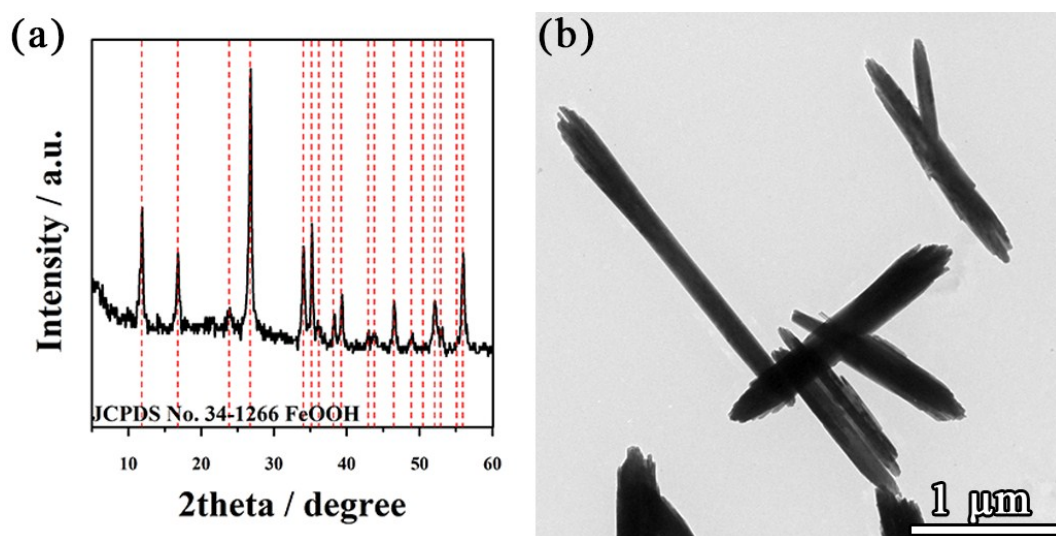


Fig. S1 (a) XRD pattern and (b) TEM image of FeOOH nanorod.

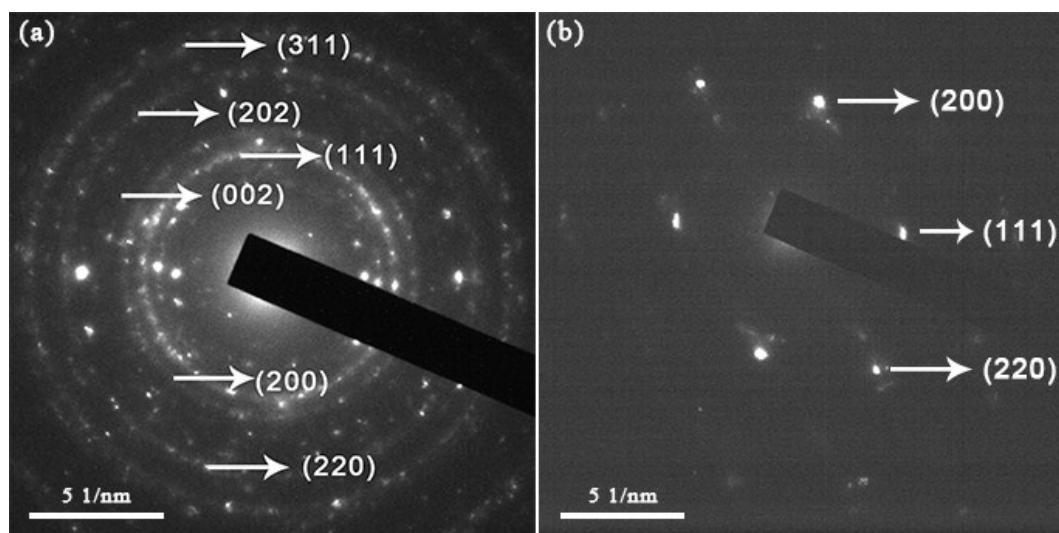


Fig. S2 Selected area electron diffraction patterns of the PtFe intermetallic nanotube of (a) as a whole and (b) a single PtFe intermetallic nanoparticle sitting on the surface of the tube.

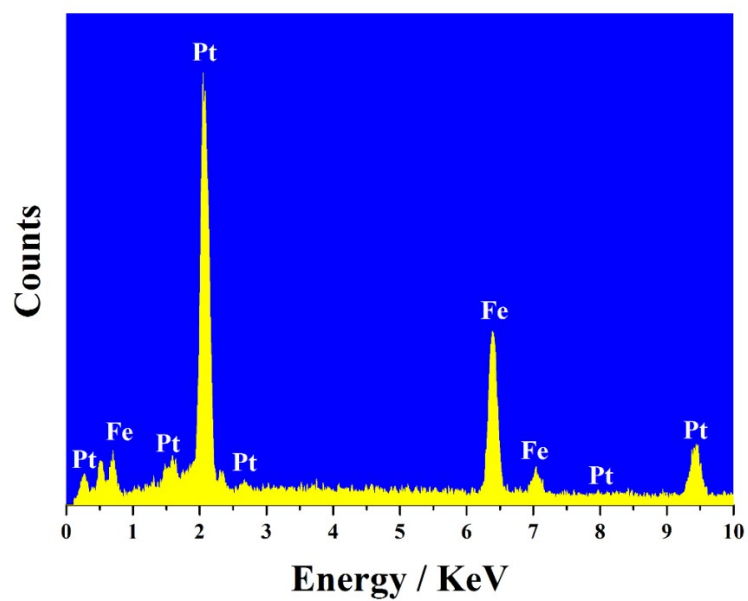


Fig. S3 EDX spectrum of order PtFe intermetallic nanotube.

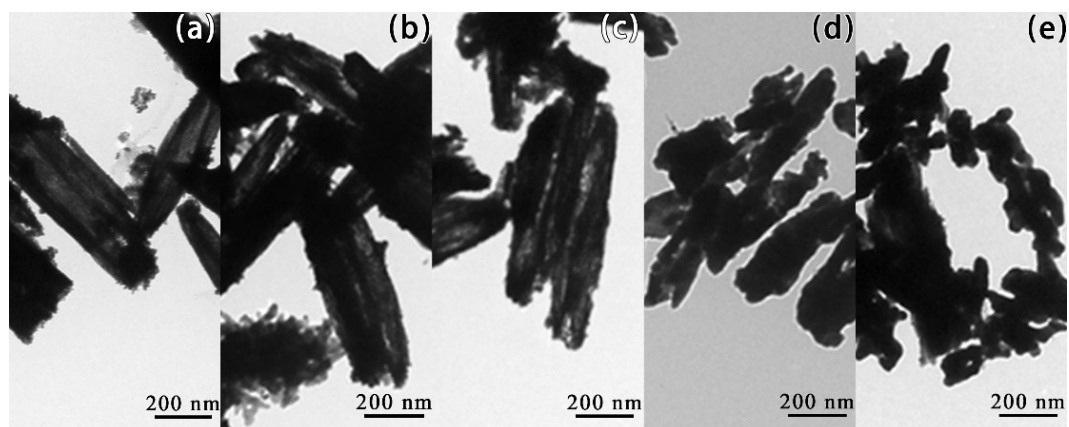


Fig. S4 TEM images of (a) PtFe-300, (b) PtFe-400, (c) PtFe-500, (d) PtFe-600, (e) PtFe-700.

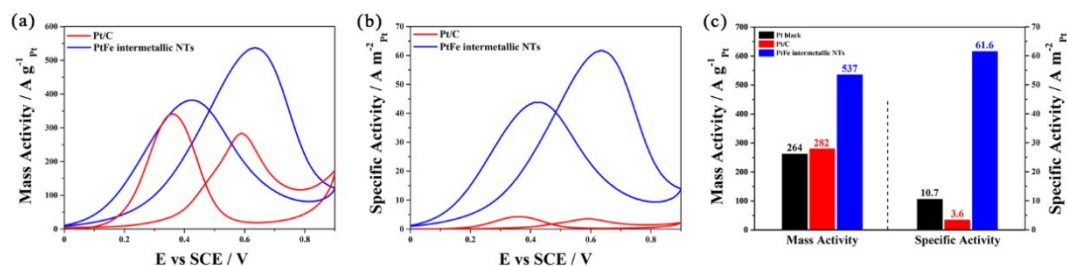


Fig. S5 (a) Mass-normalized, (b) ECSA-normalized cyclic voltammograms of Pt/C (red line) and PtFe intermetallic NTs (blue line) in the N₂-saturated 1 M CH₃OH + 0.5 M H₂SO₄ solution at a scan rate of 50 mV s⁻¹, and (c) the comparison of the corresponding I_f of the related catalysts.

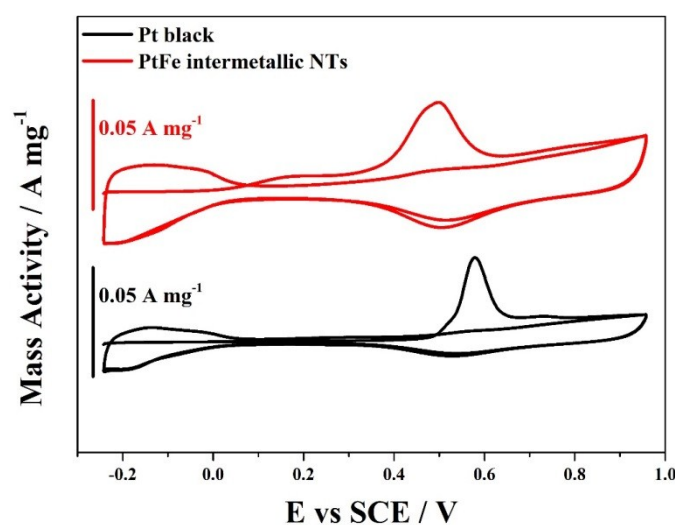


Fig. S6 Cyclic voltammograms of pre-absorbed CO at PtFe intermetallic NTs (red line) and Pt black (black line) in 0.5 M H₂SO₄ solution at the scan rate of 50 mV s⁻¹.

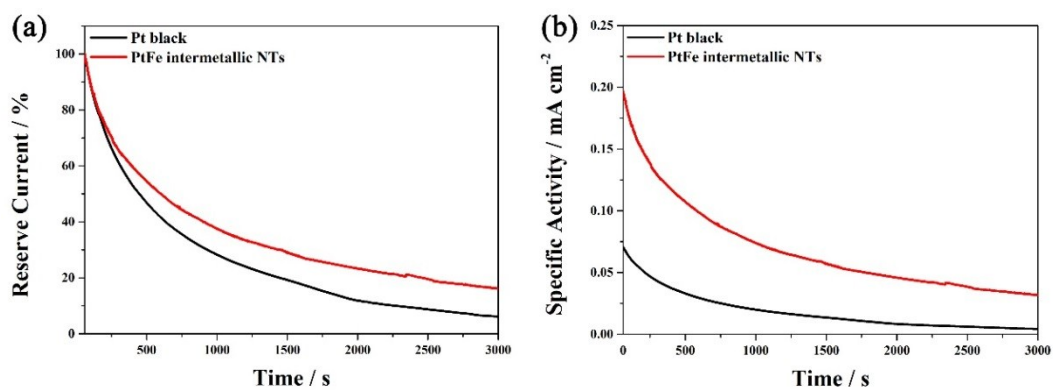


Fig. S7 Chronoamperometry curves of PtFe intermetallic NTs and Pt black in 1 M CH₃OH + 0.5 M H₂SO₄ solution at 0.7 V.

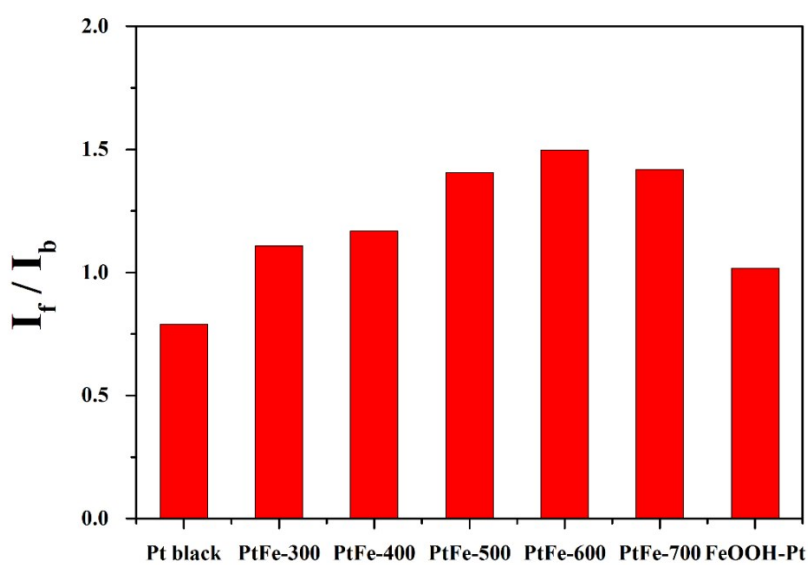
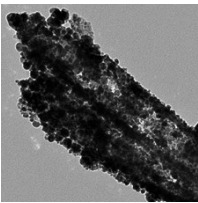
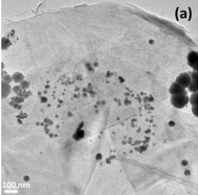
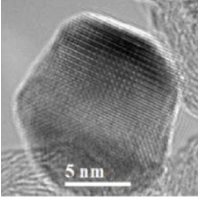
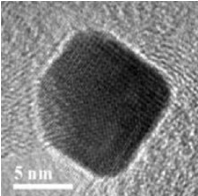
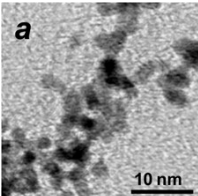
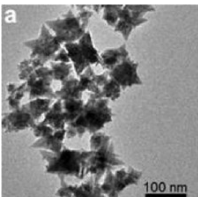
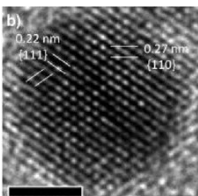


Fig. S8 I_f/I_b of PtFe-300, PtFe-400, PtFe-500, PtFe-600, PtFe-700, FeOOH-Pt and Pt black.

Table S1 Activity comparison of Pt-based intermetallic catalysts toward methanol oxidation reaction.

No	Catalysts	Mass Activity (A g ⁻¹ _{Pt})	Specific Activity (A m ⁻² _{Pt})	Electrolyte	Morphology	Ref.
1	PtFe intermetallic nanotube	536	61.64	0.5 M H ₂ SO ₄ and 1 M CH ₃ OH solution		Our work
2	Ga-Pt intermetallic nanoparticle embedded in graphene	76	14.80	0.5 M KOH and 2M CH ₃ OH solution		<i>Electrochim. Acta</i> , 2015, 190 , 659-667
3	Pt ₃ Ti/C inter-metallic nanoparticle	149	0.31	0.1 M HClO ₄ and 1 M CH ₃ OH solution		<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2014, 136 , 10206-10209
4	Pt ₃ V/C inter-metallic nanoparticle	200	0.38	0.1 M HClO ₄ and 1 M CH ₃ OH solution		<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2014, 136 , 10206-10209
5	Pt ₃ Ti intermetallic nanoparticles	56	6.10	0.5 M HClO ₄ and 0.5 M CH ₃ OH solution		<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2008, 130 , 5452-5458
6	Cubic intermetallic PtCu ₃ nanocages	50	141.0	0.1 M HClO ₄ and 1 M CH ₃ OH solution		<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2012, 134 , 13934-13937
7	Intermetallic Pt ₃ Zn nanocrystals	250	9.50	0.5 M methanol and 0.1 M CH ₃ OH solution		<i>ACS Nano</i> , 2012, 6 , 5642-5647