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Supporting Information

Catalytic degradation of phenols by recyclable CVD graphene film

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Fig. S1 (a) Representative SEM and (b) HRTEM images of the monolayer graphene film with (c) distinctive SAED pattern. (d) Representative Cs-corrected STEM image of the monolayer graphene.



Fig. S2 (a) HPLC analysis of hydrogen peroxide (100 mM) and phenols (1 mM). Hydrogen peroxide show strong, broad signals peaking at 7.43 and 8.65 minutes. (b) Time-dependent HPLC analysis and (c) quantified intensities with 9 cm² graphene film after 0, 3, 6, 12 and 24 hours of incubation with 1 mM phenols and 100 mM hydrogen peroxide.



Fig. S3 C_{1s} (left) and O_{1s} (right) XPS analysis pre- and post-phenol degradation respectively from the top. The characteristic C_{1s} signals exhibited distinctive atomic ratio changes from $0.12 \rightarrow 0.10, 0.2 \rightarrow 0.22, 0.06 \rightarrow 0.04$ and $0.62 \rightarrow 0.64$ respectively at 289 eV (O-C=O), 286.8 eV (C=O), 286.1 eV (C-O) and 285 eV (C_{sp}²). Likewise, the characteristic O_{1s} signals displayed atomic ratio changes from $0.04 \rightarrow 0.04$ and $0.96 \rightarrow 0.96$ at 535 eV (C-O) and 533 eV (H-O-C).