## Electronic Supplementary Information For **Template-free Synthesis of Monodisperse Cu**<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub> **Round and Elliptical Hollow Spheres with a** Ligand-assisted Dissolution Process

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Fig. S1 XRD pattern of the green product obtained in the typical synthesis. The broad peak at

47.6 degree (2 theta) is attributed to diffraction of (226) and/or (404) planes.



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**Fig. S2** (a) Survey XPS spectrum of the product in the typical synthesis. (b) core-level spectrum for Cu2p. (c) core-level spectrum for W4f. (d) core-level spectrum for O1s.



Fig.S3 XRD pattern of the red product.

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**Fig. S4** (a) The diameters of the spheres prepared at different reaction time. (b) The mass of the product prepared at different reaction time.



**Fig. S5** TEM images of the product prepared at different temperature. (a) 120 °C for 96 h, (b) 140 °C for 96 h. (c) 180 °C for 18 h. other condition are the same with the typical synthesis.