

Electronic supplementary information

Synthesis and growth mechanism of triangular Ag-rich AgAu alloy prisms
in an aqueous solution in the presence of PVP, citrate and H₂O₂

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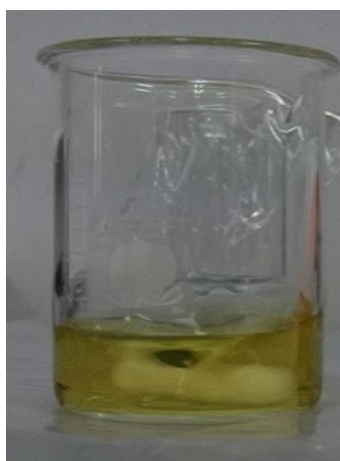
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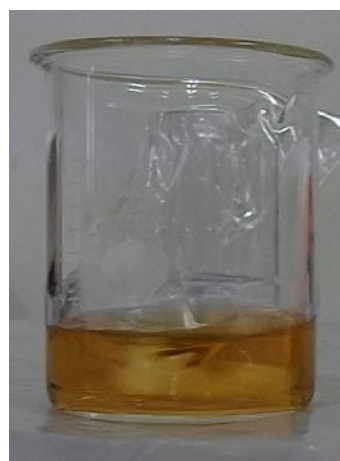
(a) colorless and
transparence



(b) yellow



(c) orange



(d) red



(e) violet



(f) bluish purple



(g) blue



Fig. S1. Color changes of $\text{HAuCl}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{AgNO}_3/\text{NaBH}_4/\text{PVP}/\text{Na}_3\text{CA}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ solution at Au/Ag molar ratio of 4% (a) before and (b)–(g) after addition of NaBH_4 .

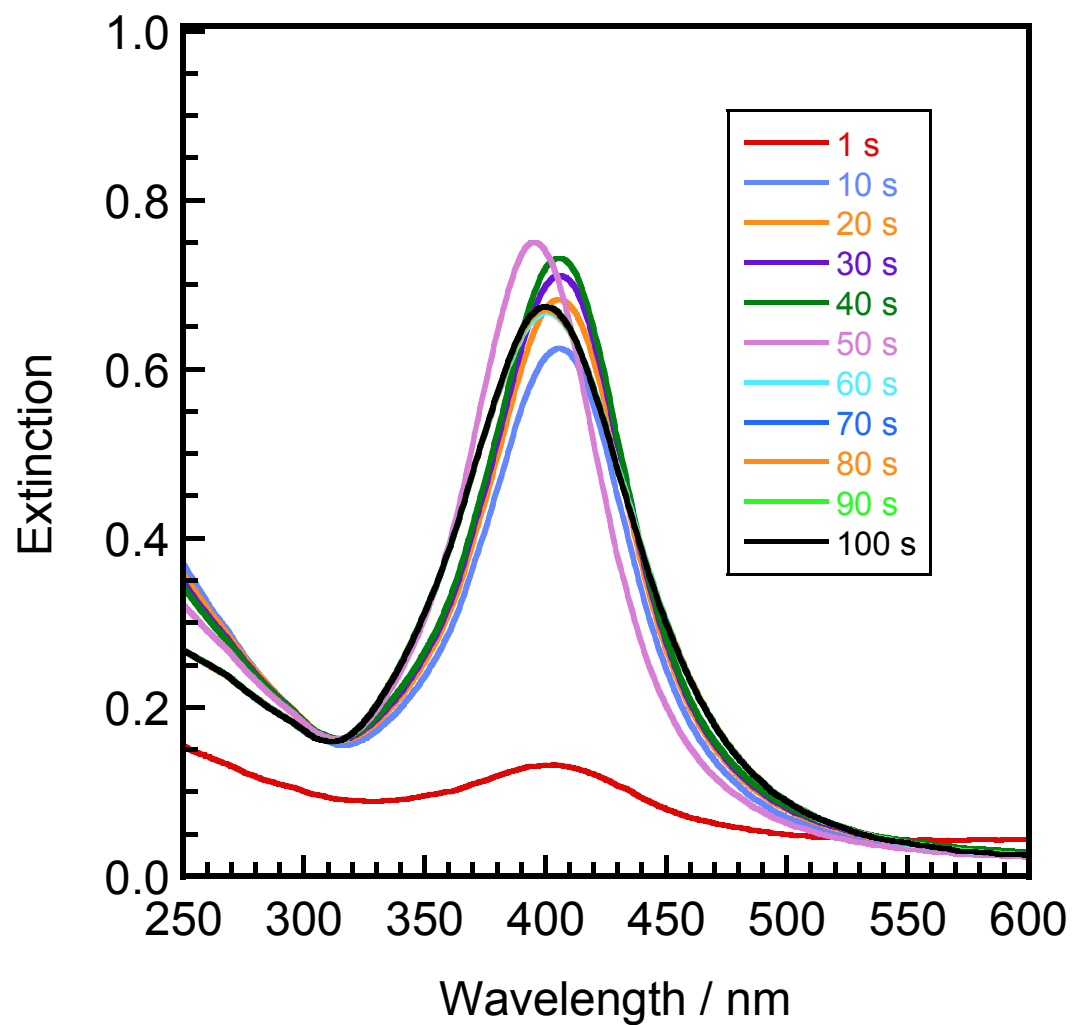


Fig. S2. UV-Vis spectra of products after addition of NaBH_4 to $\text{HAuCl}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{AgNO}_3/\text{PVP}/\text{Na}_3\text{CA}$ solution at Au/Ag molar ratio of 4%.

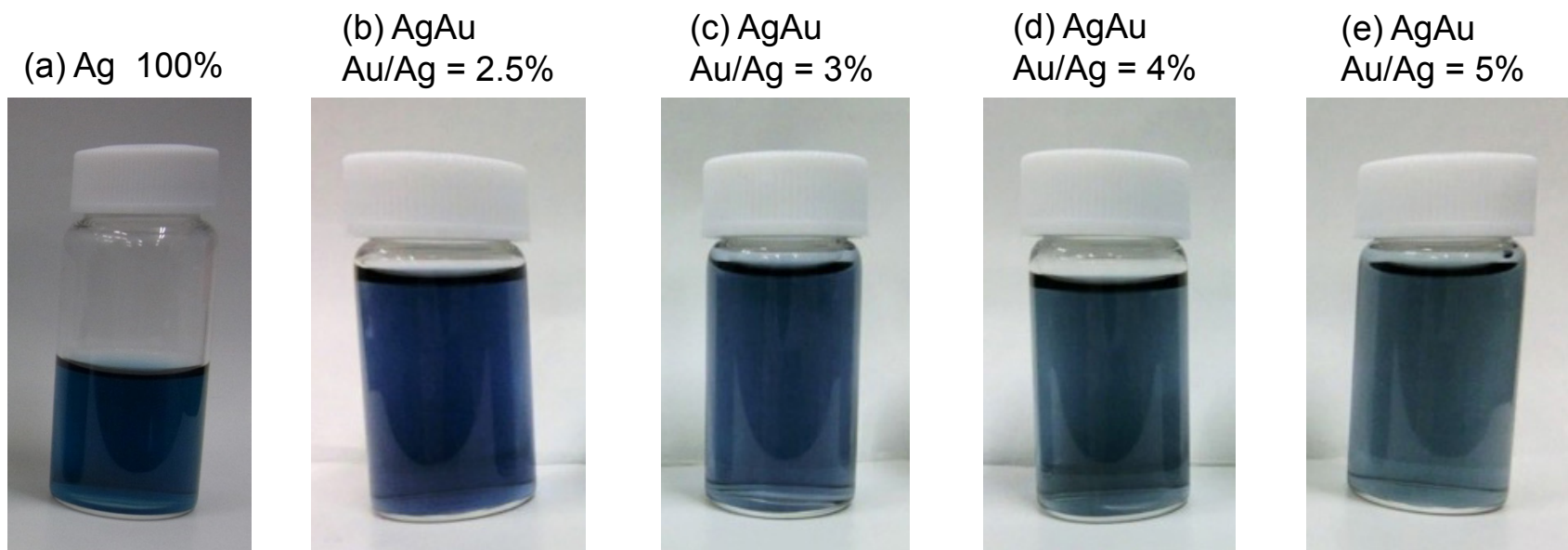


Fig. S3. Colors of product solutions of (a) Ag prisms obtained from $\text{AgNO}_3/\text{NaBH}_4/\text{PVP}/\text{Na}_3\text{CA}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ solution and (b)–(e) Ag-rich AgAu alloy prisms obtained from $\text{HAuCl}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{AgNO}_3/\text{NaBH}_4/\text{PVP}/\text{Na}_3\text{CA}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ solution at Au/Ag molar ratios of 2.5–5%.

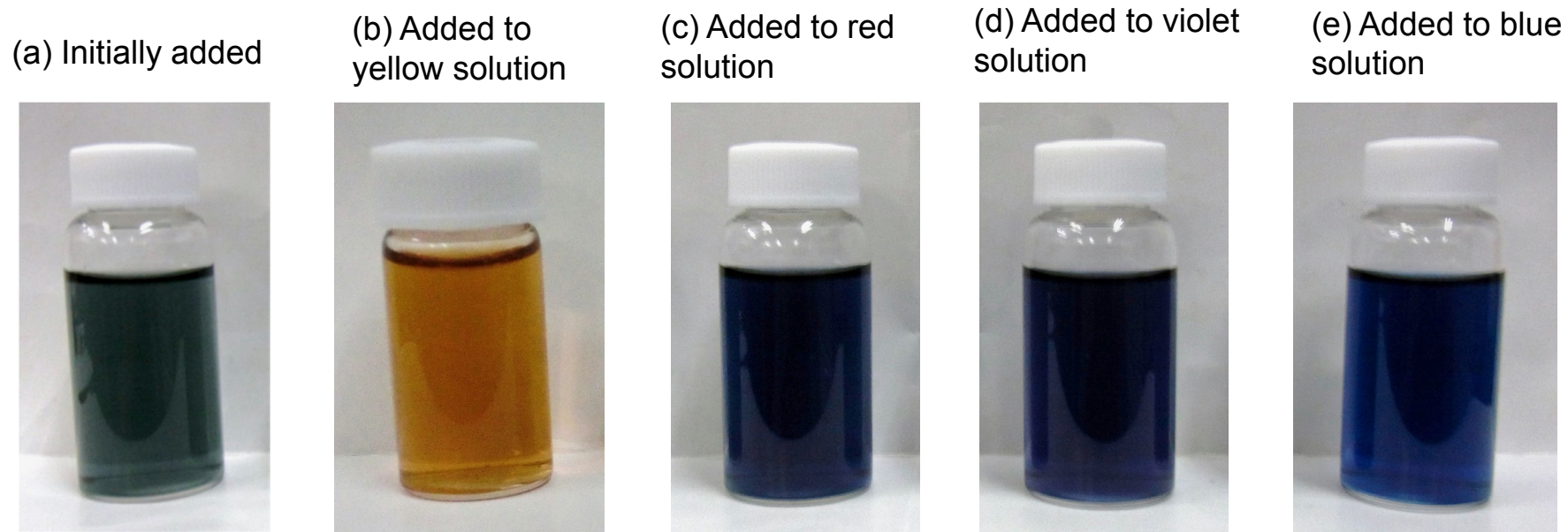


Fig. S4. Colors of product solutions obtained after various timing of addition of $\text{HAuCl}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ to $\text{AgNO}_3/\text{NaBH}_4/\text{PVP}/\text{Na}_3\text{CA}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ solution at Au/Ag molar ratio of 4%.

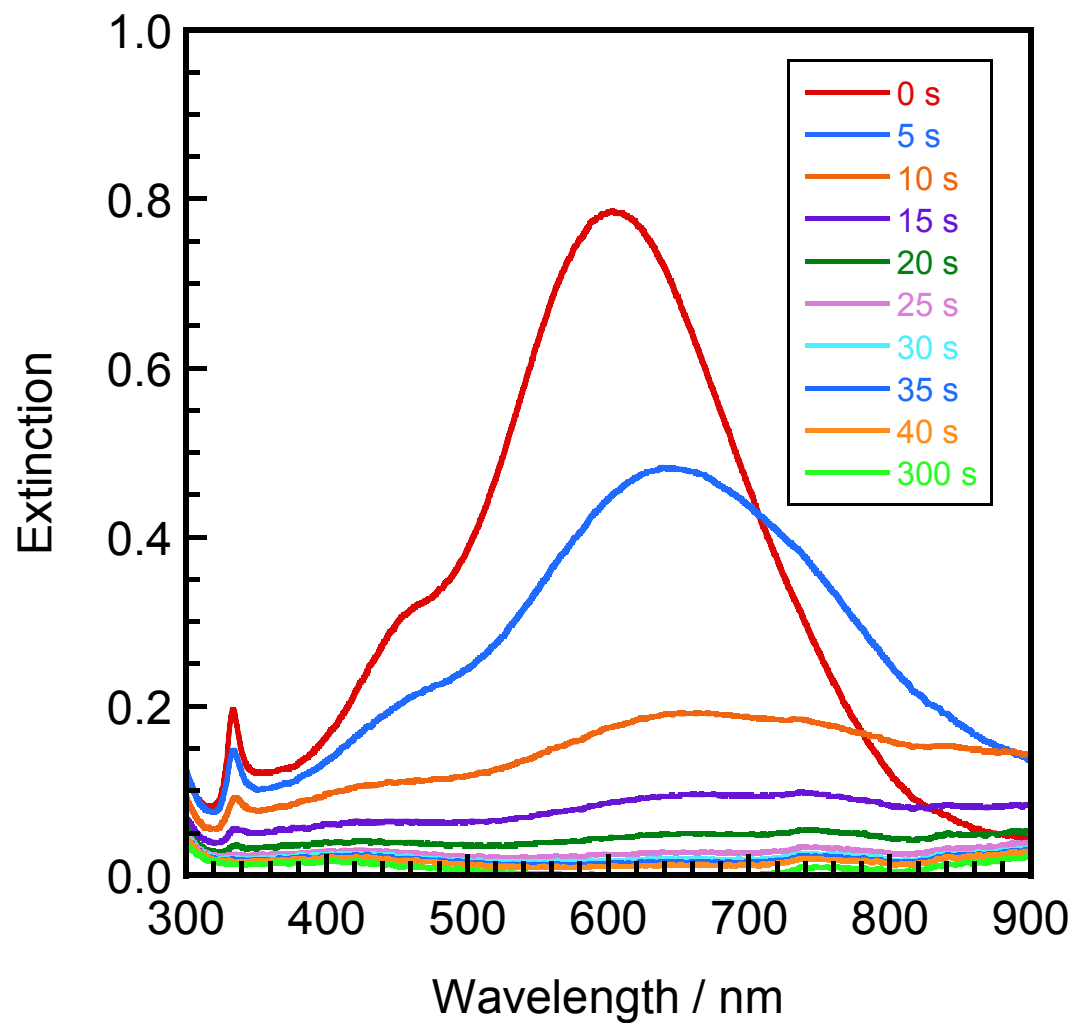


Fig. 5. UV-Vis spectra of Ag-rich AgAu prisms after addition of H₂O₂. AgAu prisms were prepared at Au/Ag molar ratio of 4%. The concentration of H₂O₂ after addition was 7.0 mM.