

Electronic Supplementary Information

Controlling crystal growth of MIL-100(Fe) on Ag nanowire surface for optimizing catalytic performance

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Materials and instrumentation

Trimesic acid (98%), ferric chloride (FeCl_3 , >95%), ferrous chloride ($\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$, >95%), Sodium hydroxide (NaOH , 97%), Silver nitrate (AgNO_3 , >95%), ethylene glycol (EG, AR), acetone and ethanol were purchased from Chinese domestic suppliers. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP, $M_w = 40000$, reagent grade) was purchased from TCI.

Powder X-ray diffraction patterns (XRD) of the products were obtained on a Bruker D8 Focus diffractometer equipped with $\text{Cu K}\alpha$ radiation and a Lynx Eye detector. Field-emission scanning electron microscopy (FESEM) and Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) images were observed on a Hitachi su8010 scanning electron microscope and a FEI Tecnai F20 transmission electron microscopy, respectively. Thermogravimetric analyses (TGA) were performed with a Netzsch STA 449 F3 instrument under flowing air with a heating rate of $10\text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$. N_2 adsorption measurements were performed with a Micromeritics ASAP2020 instrument surface area analyzer at 77K. The Brunauer–Emmett–Teller (BET) method was used to calculate the specific surface area. The concentration of 4-nitrophenol was measured by UV-Vis spectroscopy (UNICO UV-4802S). FT-IR spectra were registered on a PerkinElmer Spectrum Two FT-IR (USA) spectrophotometer in the scanning range of $4000\text{-}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ using KBr pellet method. X-ray photoelectron spectra (XPS) were acquired with a PHI 5702 spectrometer equipped with an Al K α exciting source.

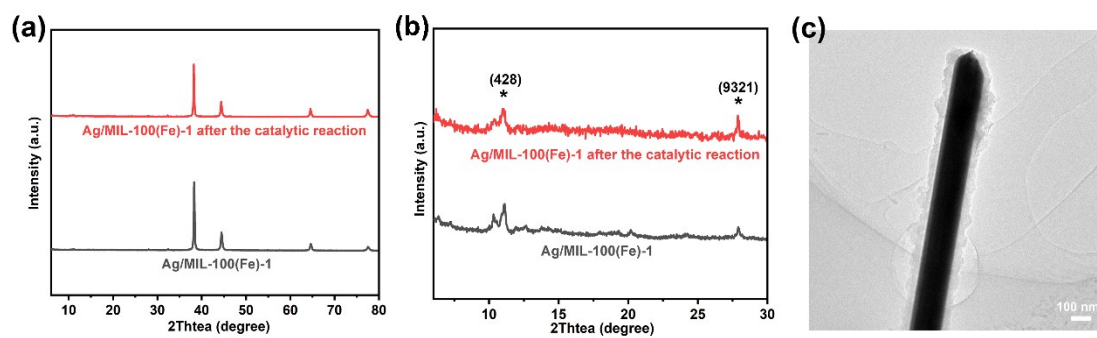


Fig. S1 XRD patterns (a, b) and TEM image of Ag/MIL-100(Fe)-1 after the catalytic reaction.

To better define the diffraction peaks of MIL-100(Fe), a magnified figure of the XRD pattern with a 2θ range of 5-30° is provided in Figure S1b, in which the peaks at 11° (428) and 27.7° (9321) corresponding to the intrinsic MIL-100(Fe) crystals as reported previously are maintained after the catalytic reaction.