

Support Materials

Oxygen Doped Graphitic Carbon Nitride Nanosheets for the Degradation of Organic Pollutants by Activating Hydrogen Peroxide in the Presence of Bicarbonate in the Dark

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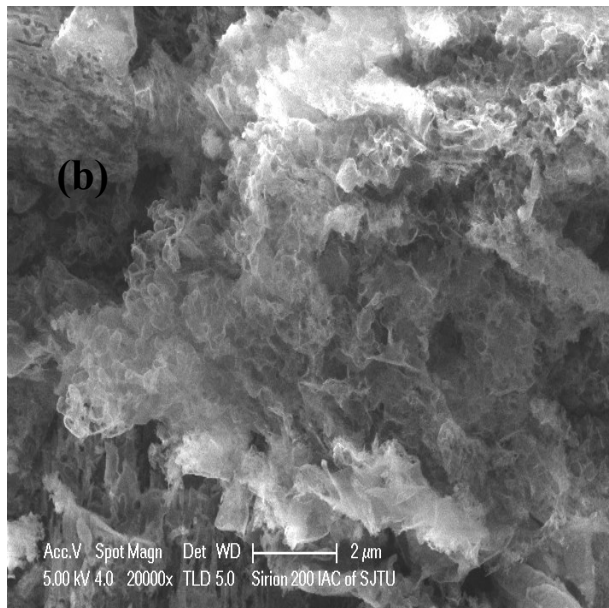
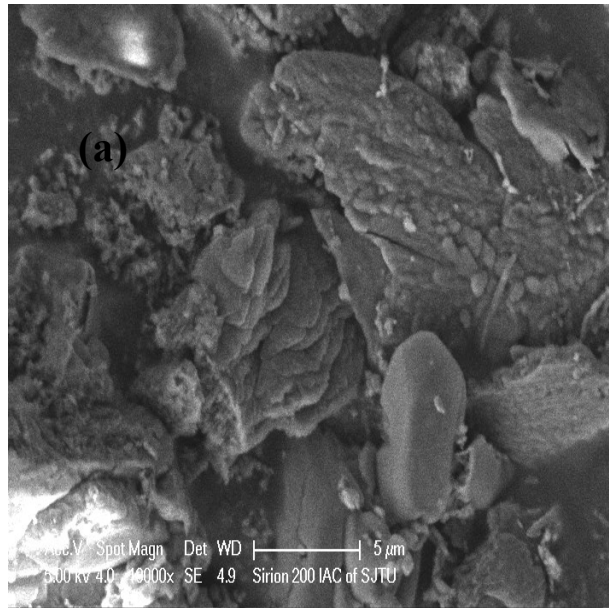
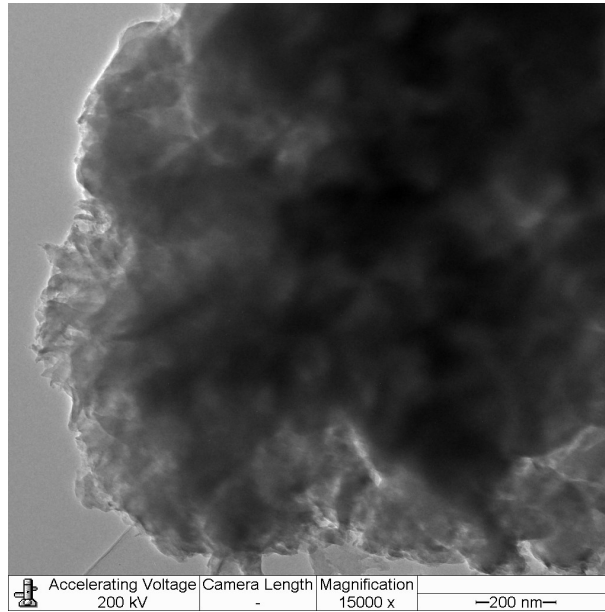


Figure S1 The SEM images of different catalysts.

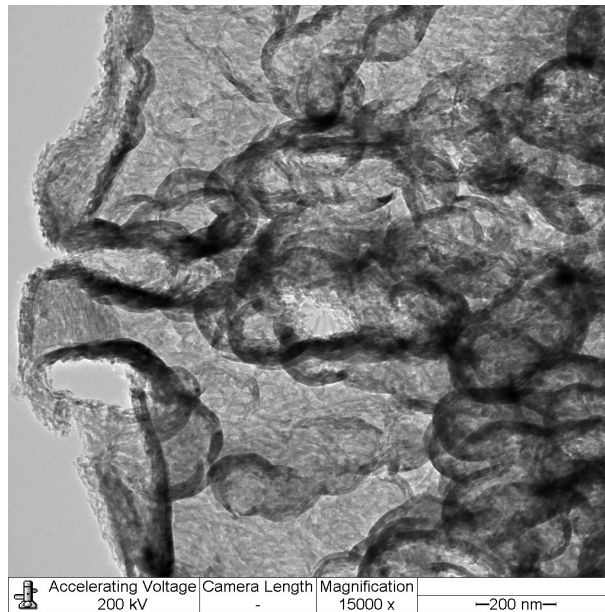
(a) $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$, (b) $O/g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$.

Figure S2

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(b) Figure S2 The TEM images of different catalysts.

(a) $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$, (b) $\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4$.

Figure S3

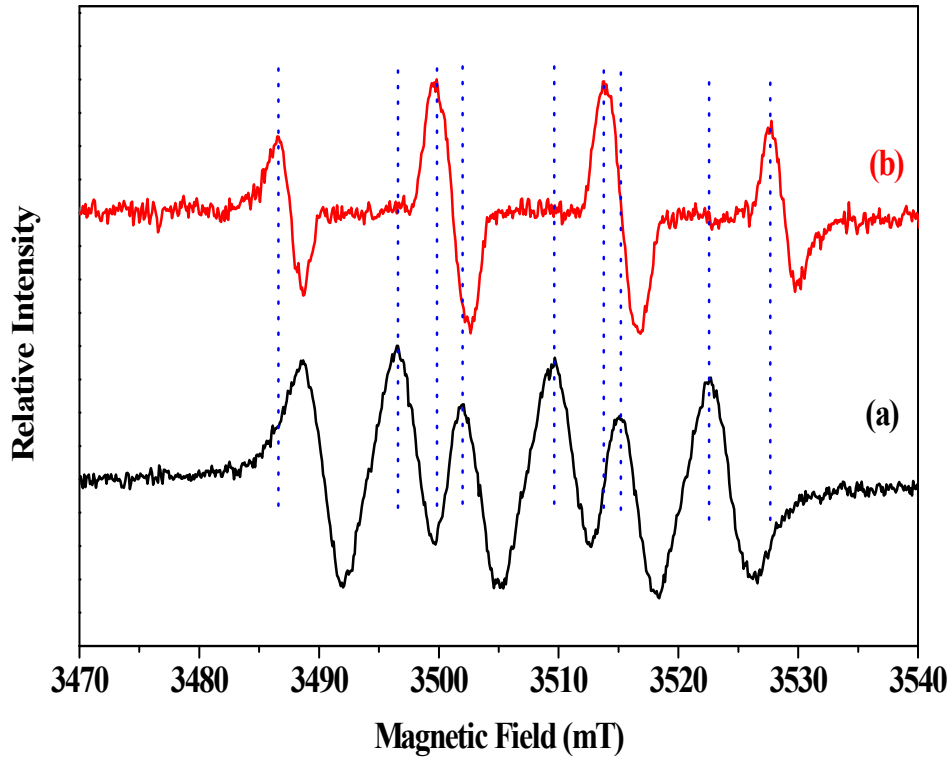


Figure S3 The EPR spectra of different catalysts.

(a) $g\text{-C}_3\text{N}_4$, (b) $\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4$.

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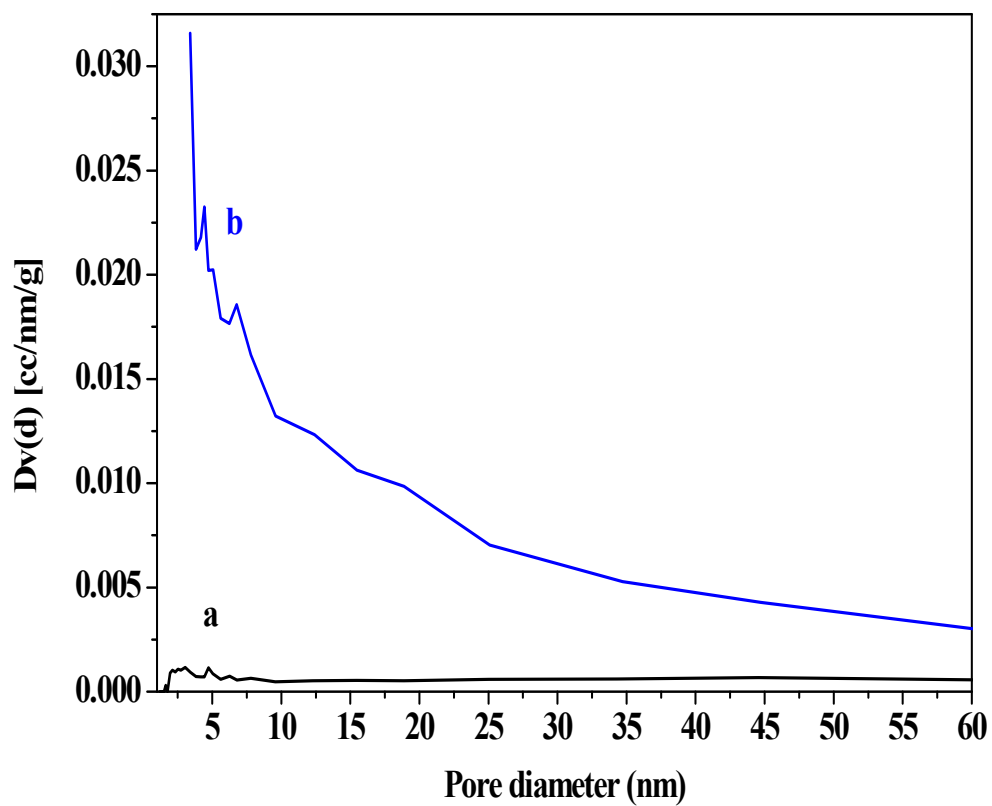


Figure S4 The pore size distributions of different catalysts (BJH method).

(a) g-C₃N₄, (b) O/g-C₃N₄.

Figure S5

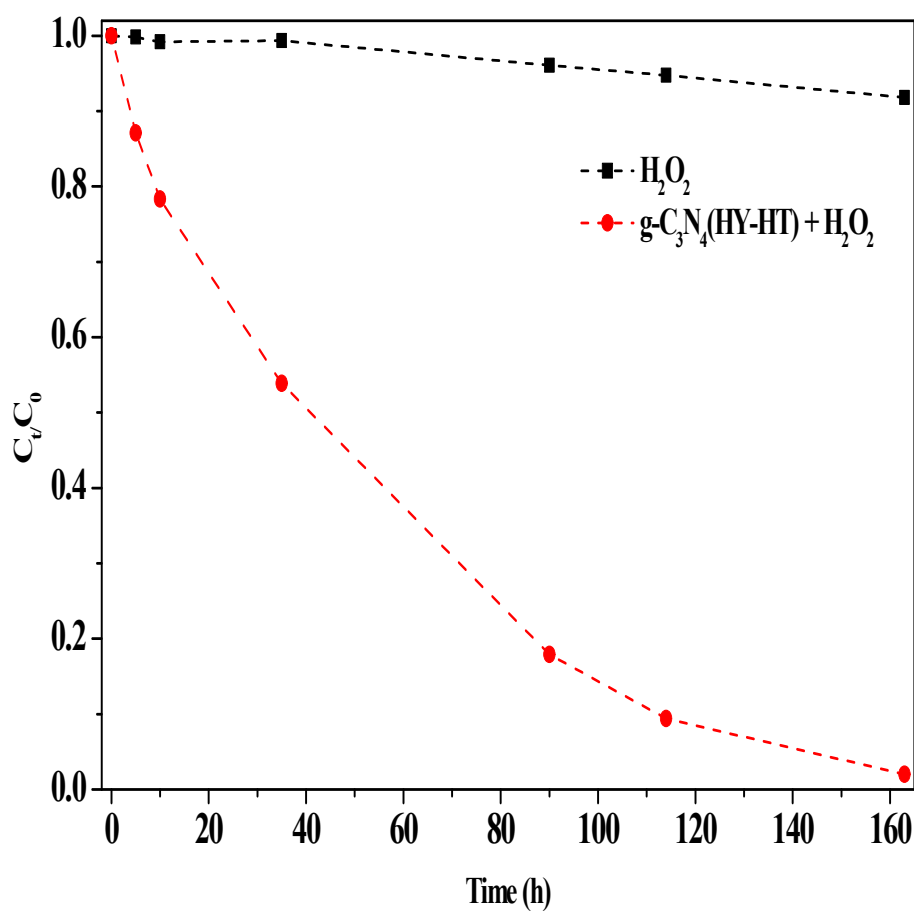


Figure S5 Effect of reaction time on the removal of RhB in the dark.

Conditions: $[RhB]_0 = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $[H_2O_2] = 36 \text{ mM}$, $[Catal.] = 0.1 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, initial pH no adjustment and $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

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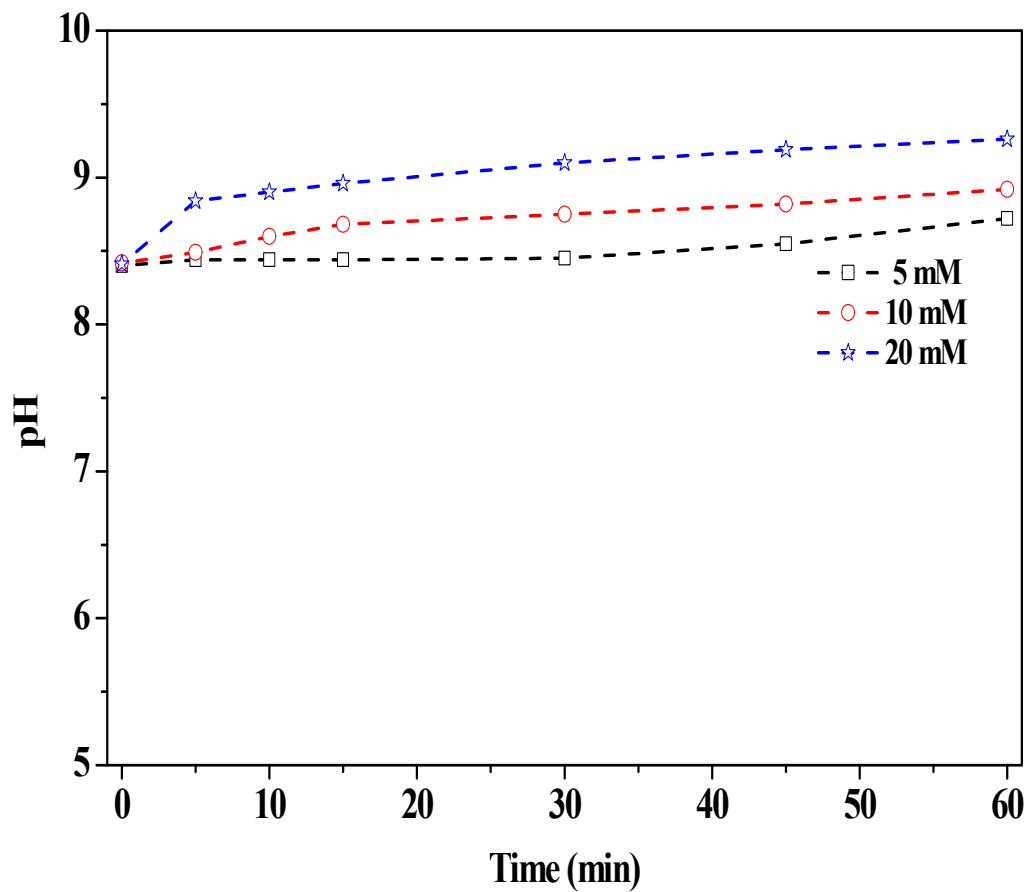


Figure S6 The change of solution pH with HCO_3^- concentration during reaction. Reaction conditions: $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 36 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 1.0 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, 25°C and 60 min.

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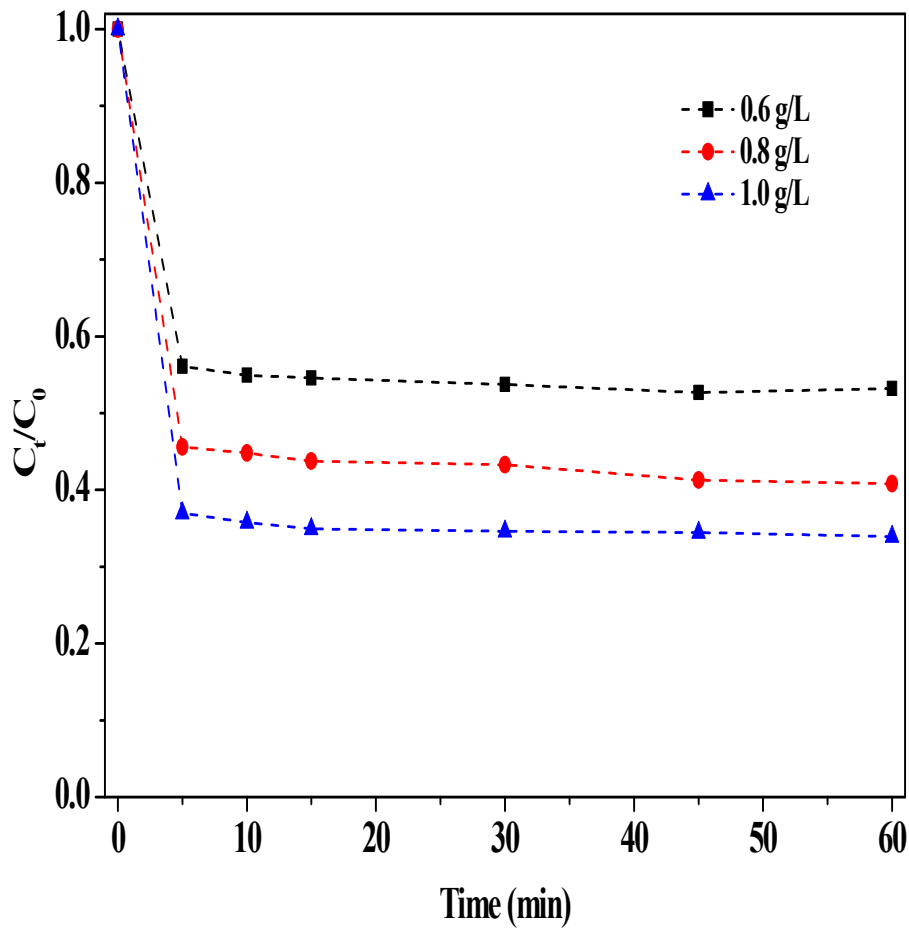


Figure S7 The effect of the mass of catalyst on the removal of RhB through the absorption. Reaction conditions: [RhB] = 10 mg L⁻¹, 25°C and 60 min, [O/g-C₃N₄] = 0.6 g L⁻¹, 0.8 g L⁻¹ and 1.0 g L⁻¹, respectively.

Figure S8

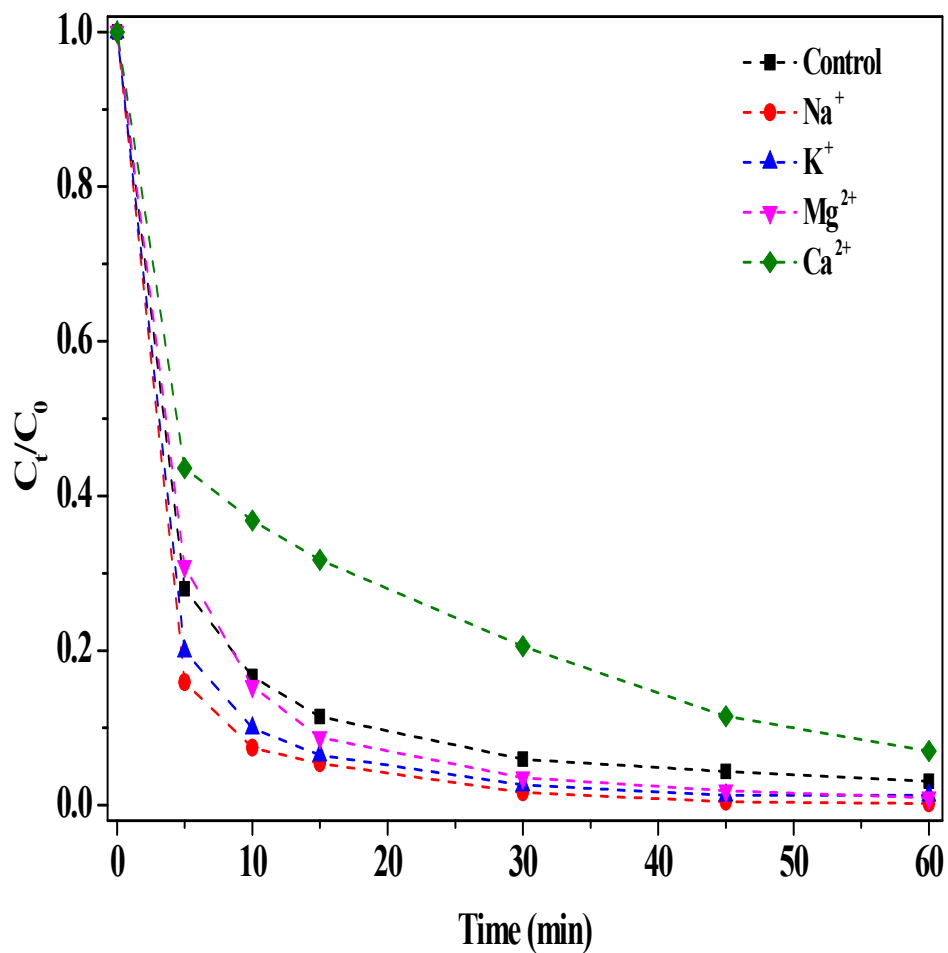


Figure S8 Effect of various metal ions on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{Metal ions}] = 100 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$ and 60 min.

Figure S9

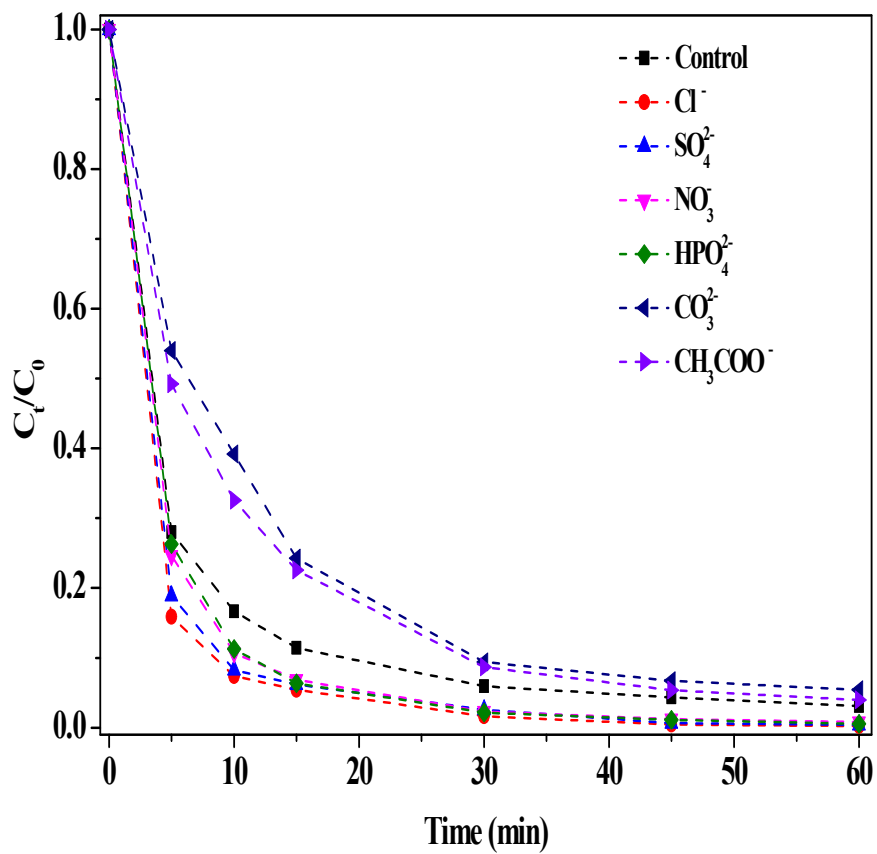


Figure S9 Effect of various anions on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: [NaHCO₃] = 10 mM, [H₂O₂] = 15 mM, [O/g-C₃N₄] = 0.8 g L⁻¹, [Anions] = 100 mM, [RhB] = 10 mg L⁻¹, 25 °C, pH ≈ 8.4 and 60 min.

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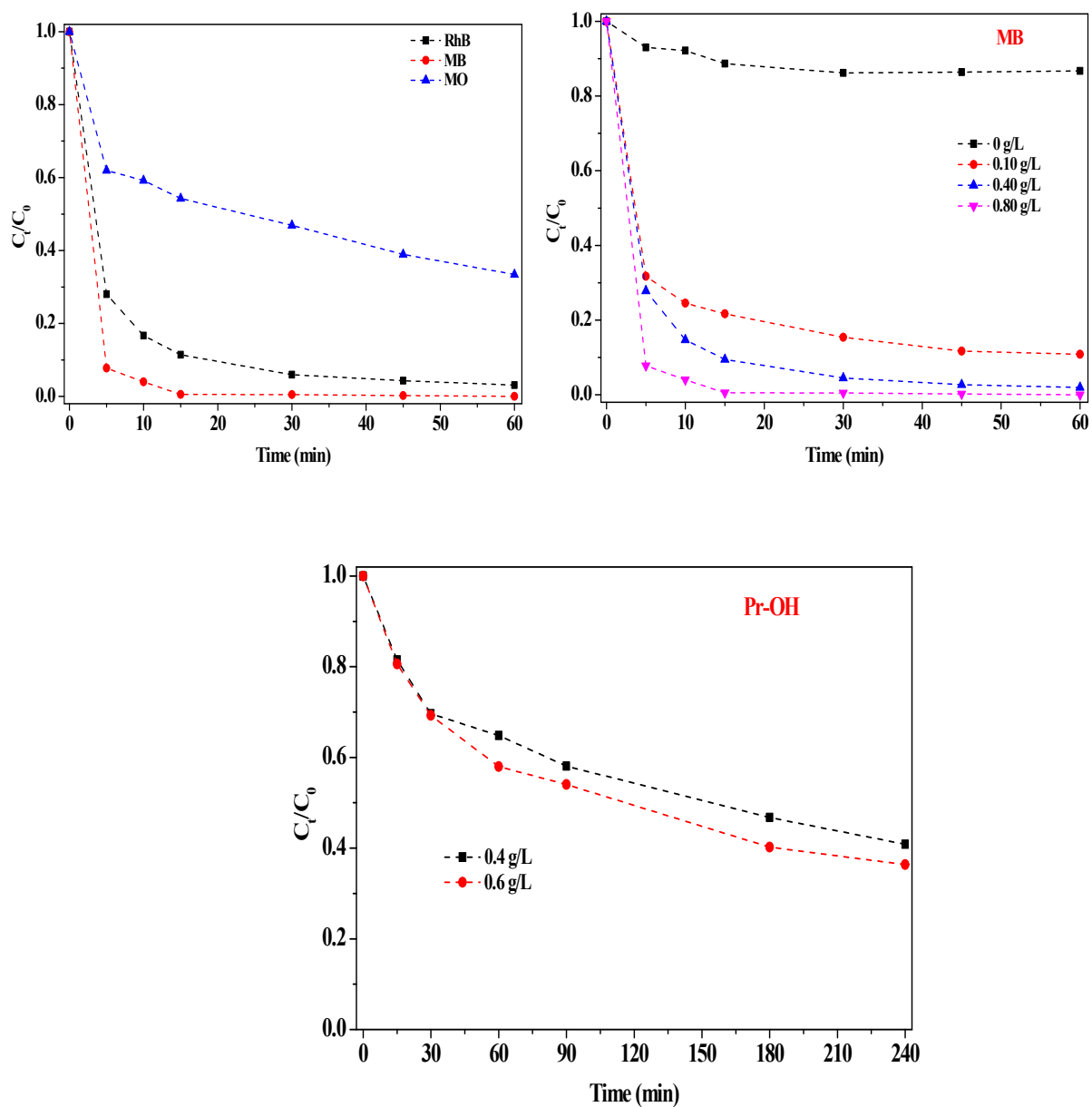


Figure S10 Effect of other organic pollutants on the degradation. Reaction conditions: $[NaHCO_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[H_2O_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[O/g-C_3N_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[Organics] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$ and 60 min.

Figure S11

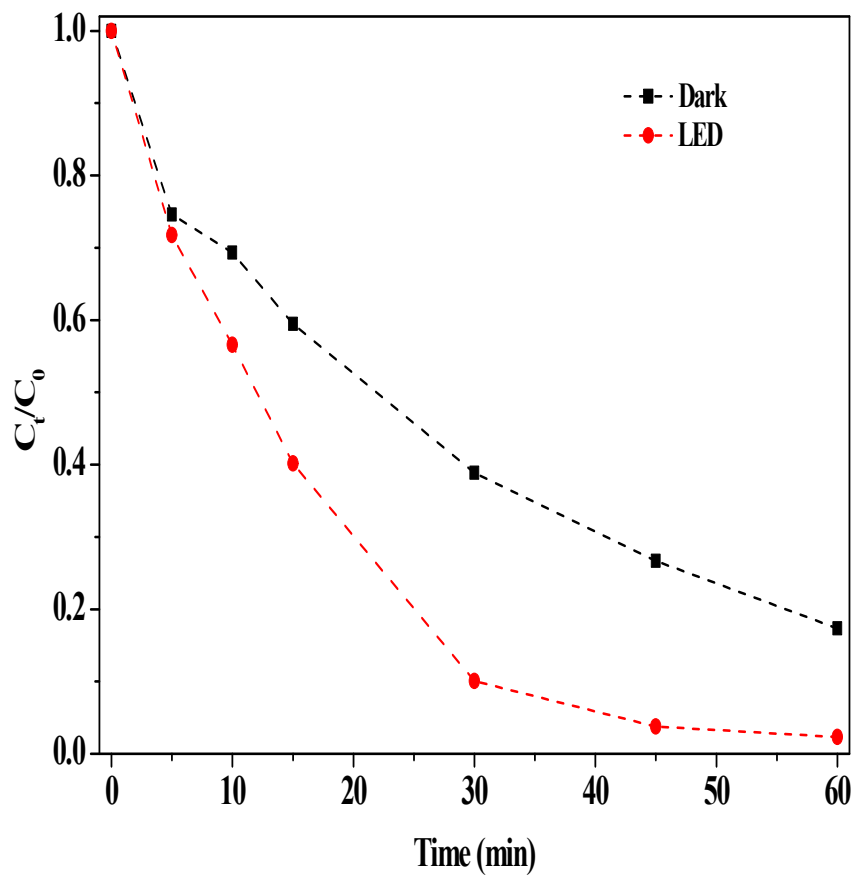


Figure S11 Comparison results of dark and LED illumination on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.1 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$ and 60 min.

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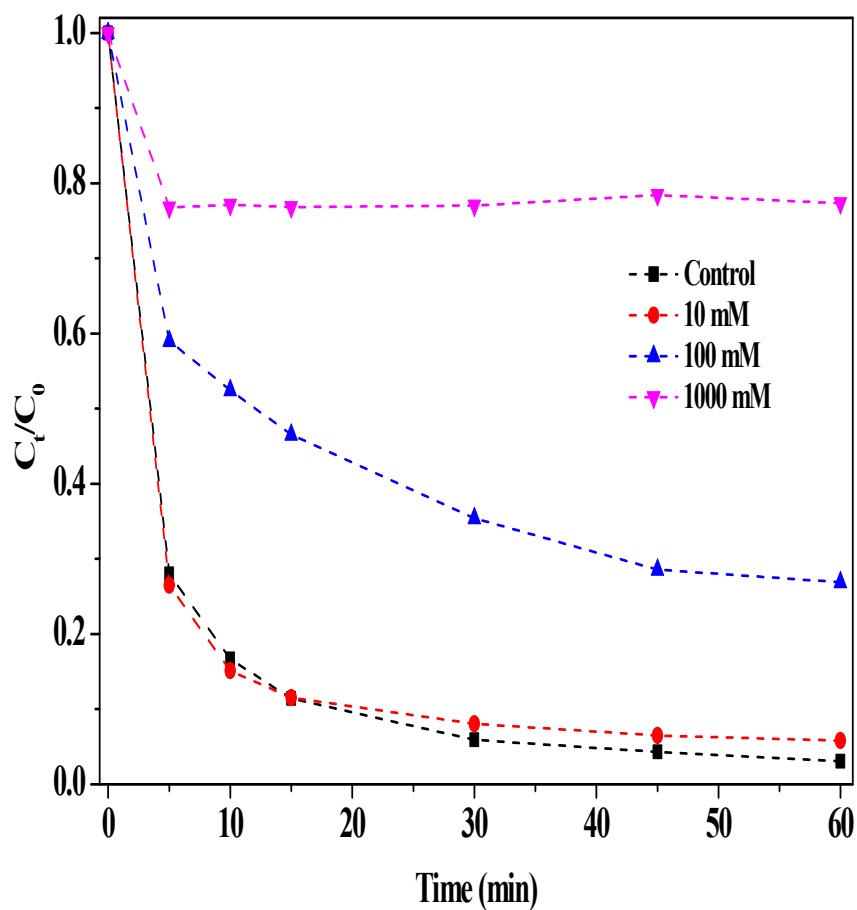


Figure S12 Effect of concentrations of ascorbic acid on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg/L}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$, 60 min , $[\text{Ascorbic acid}] = 10, 100 \text{ and } 1000 \text{ mM}$, respectively.

Figure S13

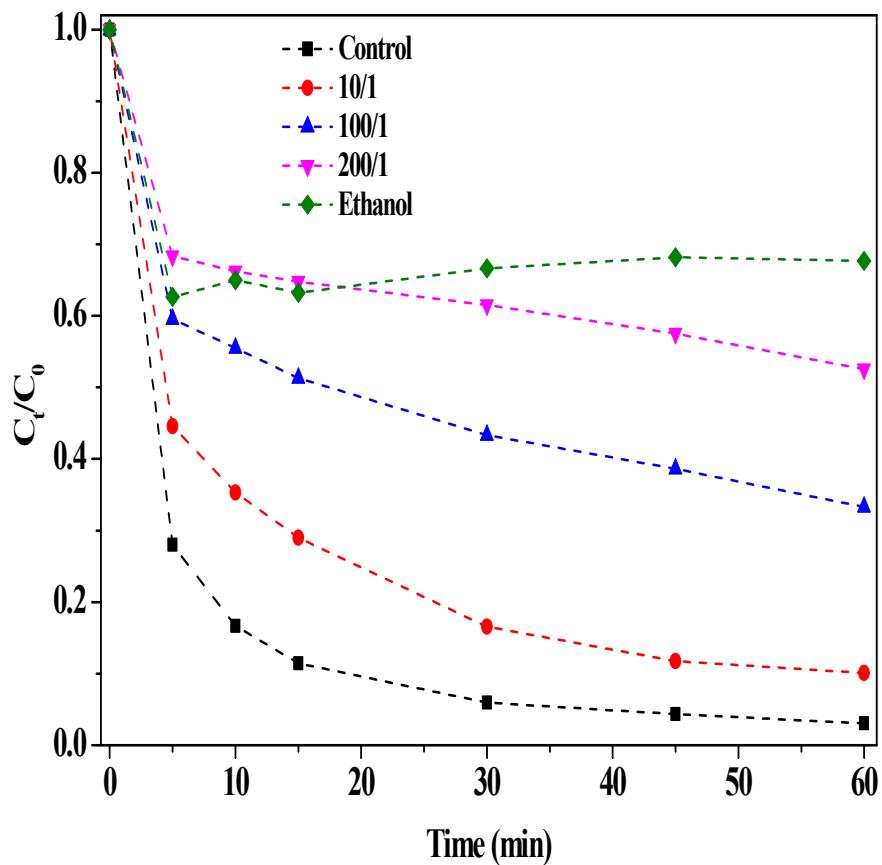


Figure S13 Effect of concentrations of ethanol on the RhB degradation.

Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$, 60 min, $[\text{Ethanol}] = 0.15 \text{ M}$, 1.5 M , 3.0 M , ethanol replacing of water, respectively.

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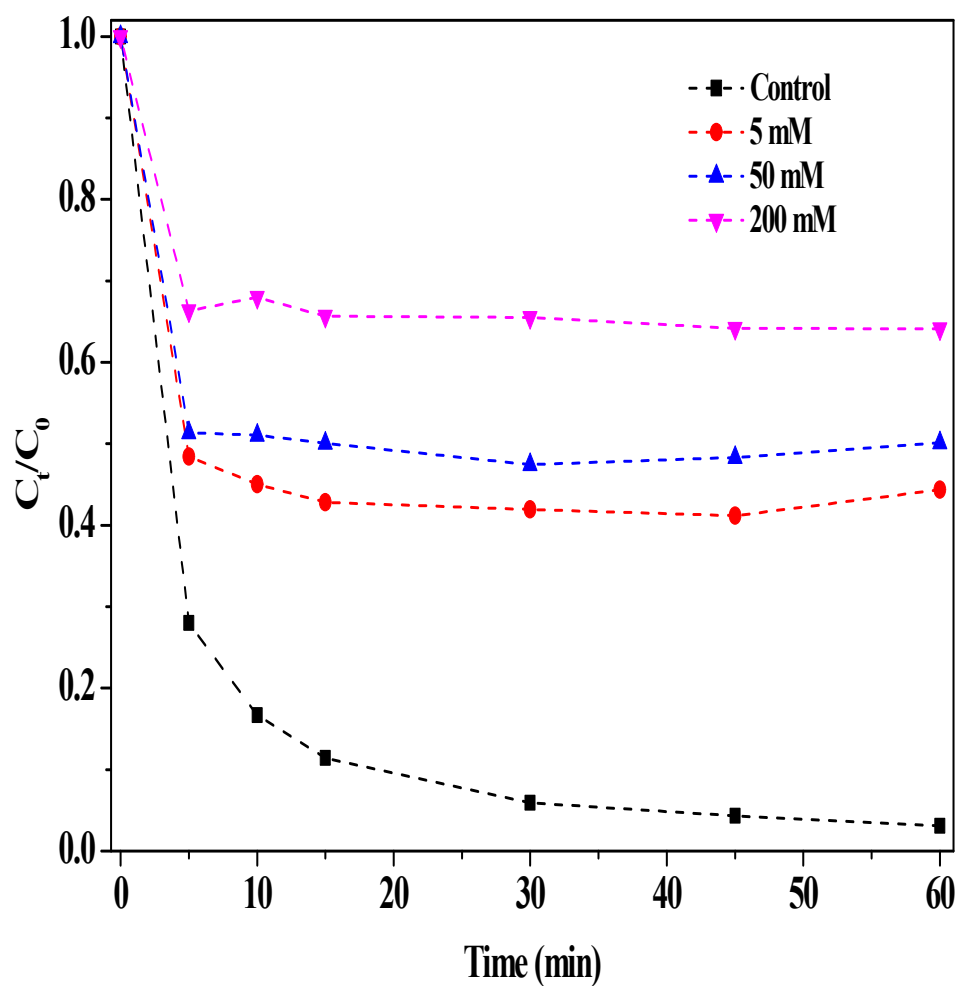


Figure S14 Effect of concentration of Tiron on the RhB degradation.

Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$, 60 min, $[\text{Tiron}] = 5, 50$ and 200 mM , respectively.

Figure S15

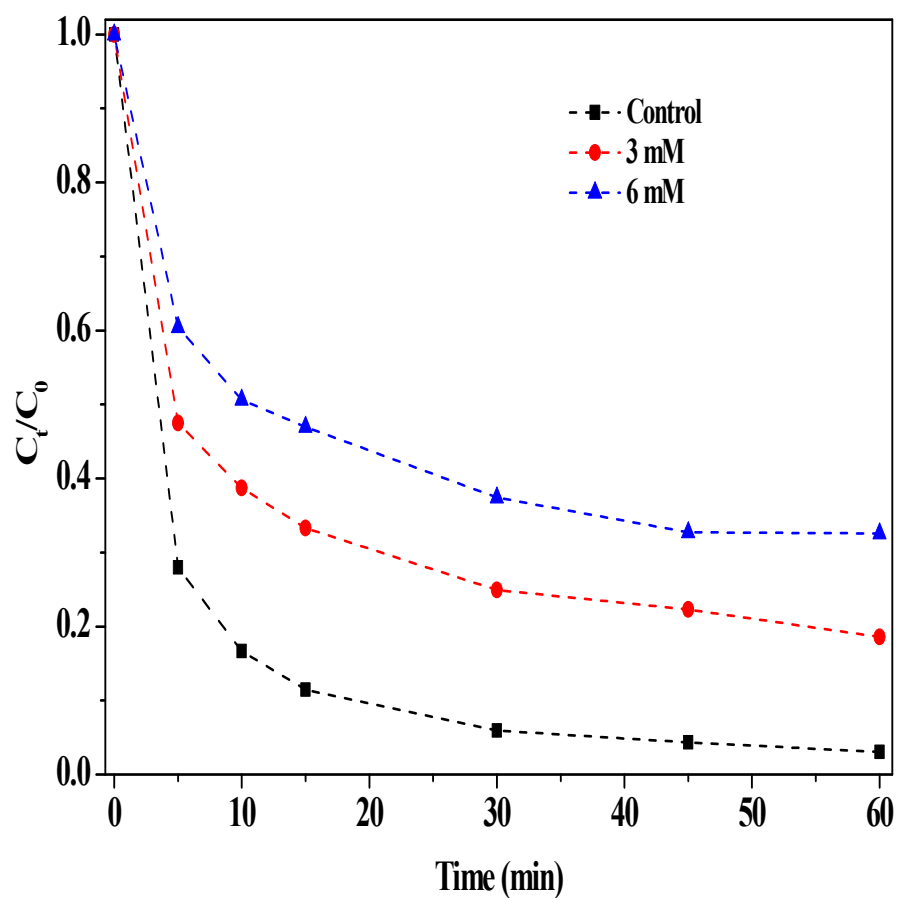


Figure S15 Effect of concentration of benzoquinone (BQ) on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$, 60 min, $[\text{BQ}] = 3$ and 6 mM , respectively.

Figure S16

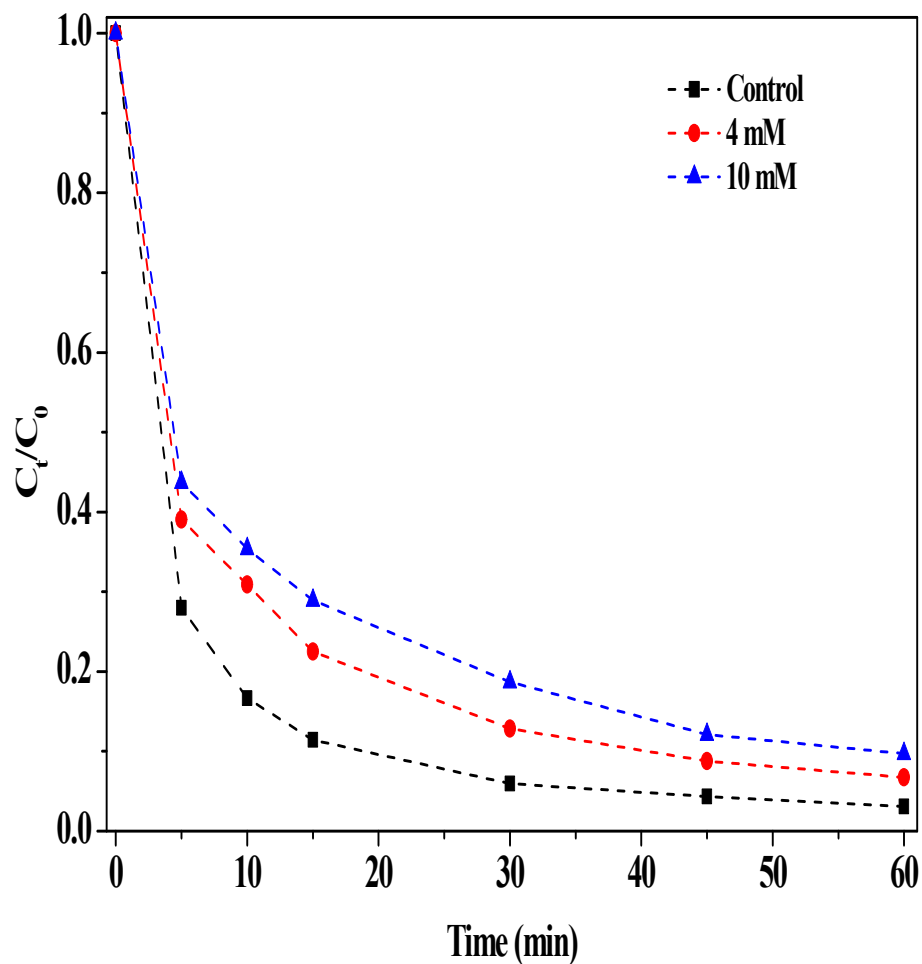


Figure S16 Effect of concentration of NaN_3 on the RhB degradation.

Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$, 60 min, $[\text{NaN}_3] = 4$ and 10 mM, respectively.

Figure S17

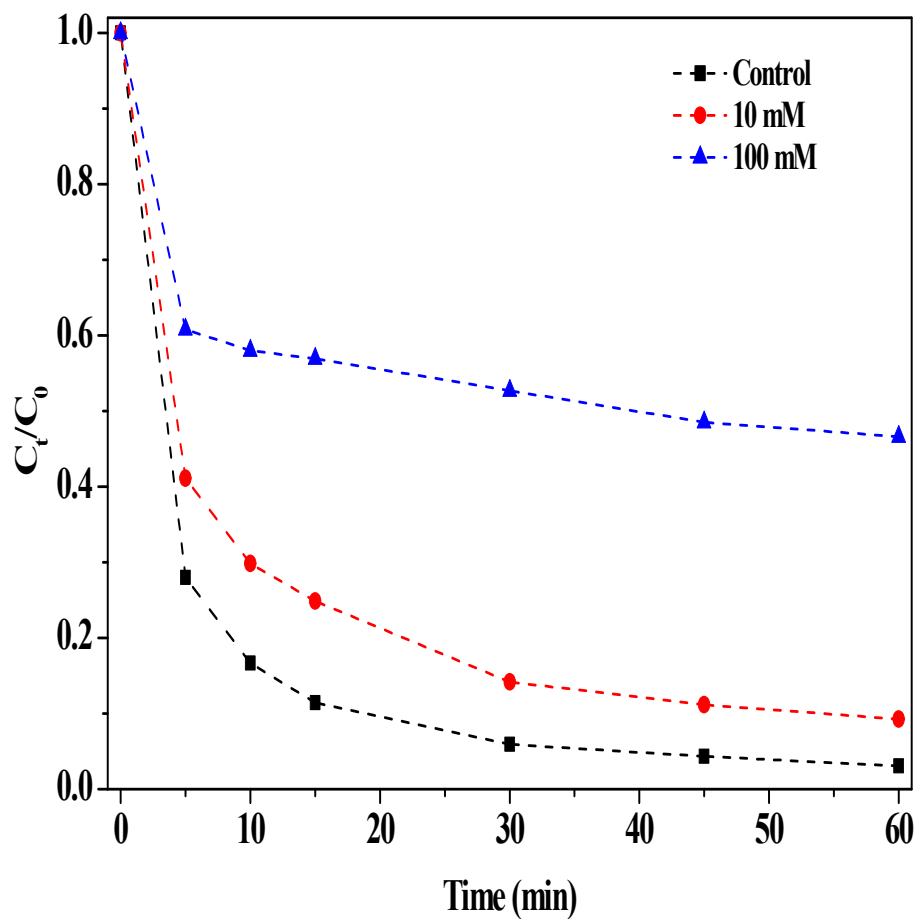


Figure S17 Effect of concentrations of furfuryl alcohol (FFA) on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: $[\text{NaHCO}_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[\text{O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[\text{RhB}] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$, 60 min , $[\text{FFA}] = 10$ and 100 mM , respectively.

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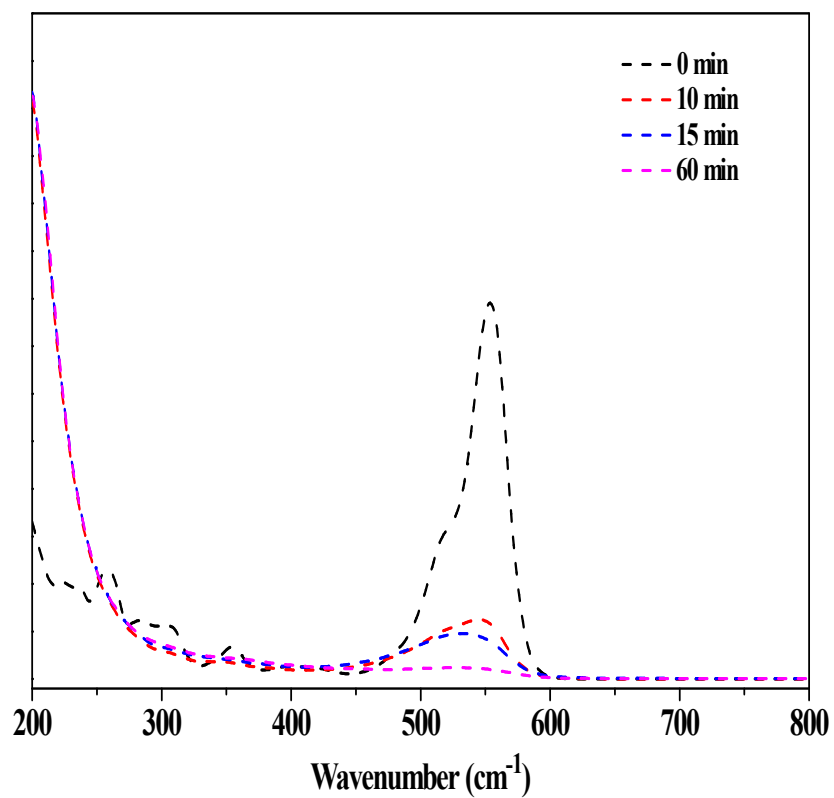


Figure S18 The degradation for RhB with the increasing time from UV-vis results.

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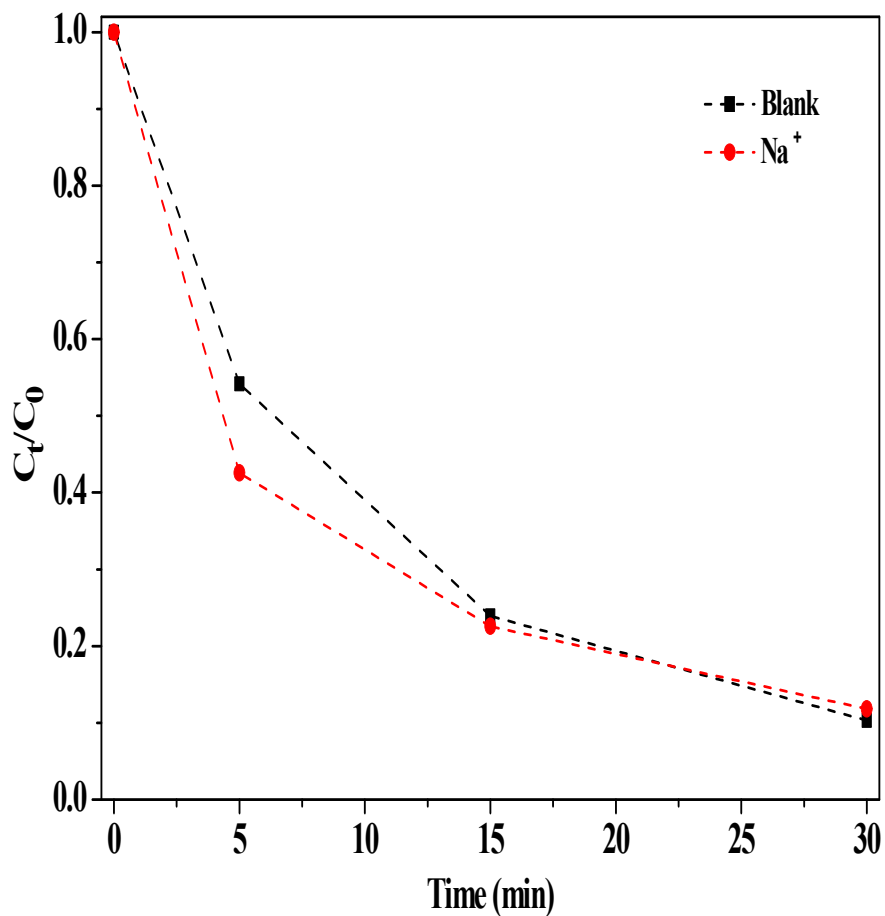


Figure S19 The effect of Na^+ over different catalysts for the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: $[NaHCO_3] = 10 \text{ mM}$, $[H_2O_2] = 15 \text{ mM}$, $[Na\text{-O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4 \text{ or O/g-C}_3\text{N}_4] = 0.8 \text{ g L}^{-1}$, $[RhB] = 10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$, $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $\text{pH} \approx 8.4$ and 30 min.

Figure S20

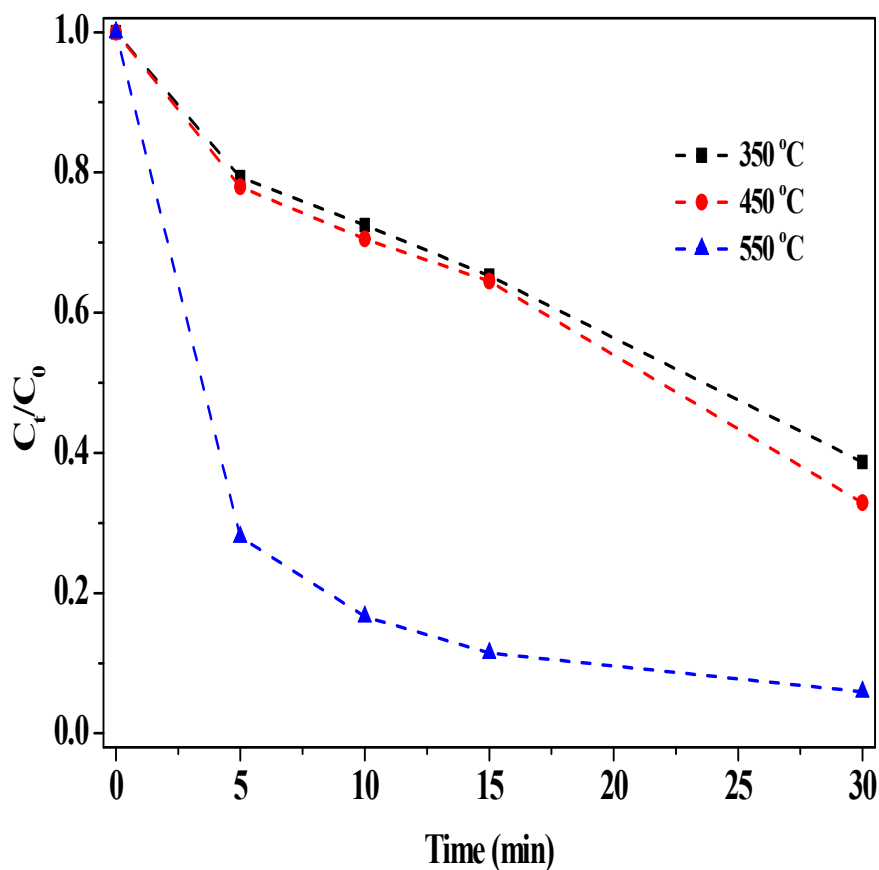


Figure S20 Effect of calcination temperature of O/g-C₃N₄ on the RhB degradation. Reaction conditions: [NaHCO₃] = 10 mM, [H₂O₂] = 15 mM, [O/g-C₃N₄] = 0.8 g L⁻¹, [RhB] = 10 mg L⁻¹, 25 °C, pH ≈ 8.4 and 60 min.

Table S1 Results of the content in g-C₃N₄ and O/g-C₃N₄ catalysts from element analysis.

Catalysts	C(wt%)	N(wt%)	O(wt%)	mol(C)/(N)
g-C ₃ N ₄	36.39	62.49	1.13	0.68
O/g-C ₃ N ₄	38.77	59.20	2.02	0.76

Table S2 The results of ratio of N(sp²) and N(sp³) and degradation of RhB in 30 min.

Catalysts	N(sp ²)/N(sp ³)	Degradation efficiency(%)
O/g-C ₃ N ₄ -350 °C	1.98	61.3
O/g-C ₃ N ₄ -450 °C	2.06	67.1
O/g-C ₃ N ₄ -550 °C	1.74	94.1