Supporting Information

Reduced Polyoxomolybdate Immobilized on Reduced Graphene

Oxide for Rapid Catalytic Decontamination of Sulfur Mustard

Simulant

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Figure S1. Liquid-phase UV-Vis spectrum from leaching test of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO immersed in water for 12 h.



Figure S2. FT-IR spectra of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO prepared by a two-step method, rGO, PDDA and PMo₁₂.

 $PMo_{12}@PDDA$ -rGO prepared by a two-step method as follows. The mixture of PDDA (0.3 mL) and GO (2 mg/mL, 15 mL) was first treated under hydrothermal conditions (100 °C) for 10 h, and then the resulting PDDA-rGO was dispersed in the aqueous solution of PMo_{12} (5 mmol/L, 10 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 h at room temperature, and the solid product was separated by centrifugation, and washed with deionized water for several times to remove any unloaded PMo_{12} . The obtained product was frozen in liquid nitrogen and dried in freeze dryer for two days.



Figure S3. Leaching test for CEES degradation using PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO prepared by a two-step method.



Figure S4. Liquid-phase UV-vis spectra from leaching test of (a) PMo₁₀V₂@PDDArGO and (b) PW₁₂@PDDA-rGO immersed in water for 12 h; FT-IR spectra of (c) PMo₁₀V₂@PDDA-rGO and (d) PW₁₂@PDDA-rGO.



Figure S5. TEM image of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO



Figure S6. SEM image of rGO.



Figure S7. PXRD patterns of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO, PMo₁₂ and rGO.



Figure S8. (a) PXRD patterns of PW₁₂@PDDA-rGO, rGO and PW₁₂; (b) PXRD patterns of PMo₁₀V₂@PDDA-rGO, rGO and PMo₁₀V₂.



Figure S9. Raman spectra of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO and rGO.



Figure S10. (a) The N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherms of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO and rGO; Pore size distributions of (b) rGO and (c) PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO.

| Sample | Contact angle | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| PMo ₁₂ | 39° | | |
| rGO | 70° | | |
| PMo ₁₂ @PDDA-rGO | 61° | | |

Figure S11. Contact angle images of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO, PMo₁₂ and rGO.



Figure S12. XPS survey spectra of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO.



Figure S13. EPR spectrum of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO.



Figure S14. Mass spectrum of (a) CEESO and (b) CEESO₂.



Figure S15. XPS spectra for the Mo3d core level spectrum of $PMo_{10}V_2@PDDA$ -rGO.



Figure S16. Possible reaction mechanism of CEES decontamination using PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO as catalyst.

| Sample | Mo(wt%) | P(wt%) | PM0 ₁₂ (wt%) |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------|-------------------------|
| PMo ₁₂ @PDDA-rGO-26% | 16.15 | 0.28 | 26 |
| PMo ₁₂ @PDDA-rGO-33% | 21.10 | 0.49 | 33 |
| PMo12@PDDA-rGO-45% | 28.46 | 0.82 | 45 |
| PMo ₁₂ @PDDA-rGO-47% | 29.91 | 0.88 | 47 |

Table S1. The elemental analysis of PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO.

Table S2. Comparison of the heterogeneous catalysts for the oxidative degradation of sulfur mustard simulant.

| Catalyst | Oxidant | Loading | TON ^[e] | TOF | Conv | Sel. | Time | ref. |
|--|------------------------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|------|
| | | (mmol) | | (min ⁻¹) ^[f] | . (%) | (%) ^[a] | (min) | |
| PMo ₁₂ @PDDA-rGO | $3\%~\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.005 | 49.5 | 1.7 ^[g] | 99 | 90 | 30 | This |
| | | | | | | | | work |
| Mg ₃ Al-LDH-Nb ₆ | $3\%~\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.003 | 158.3 | 1.3 ^[h] | 95 | 97 | 120 | 1 |
| Zn ₂ Cr-LDH-PW ₁₁ Ni | $3\%~\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.0015 | 326.7 | 1.8 ^[i] | 98 | 94 | 180 | 2 |
| Nb_2O_5 | $30\%~\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.075 | 3.7 | 0.012 ^[j] | >99 | 73 | 300 | 3 |
| Nb-SAP ^[b] | $30\%\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.0028 | 95.9 | $0.2^{[k]}$ | >98 | 73 | 480 | 4 |
| Fe-DECON1[c] | $30\%~\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.043 | 1.3 | 0.0009 ^[1] | 20 | - | 1440 | 5 |
| V-APMS ^[d] | TBHP | 0.031 | 1.3 | $0.02^{[m]}$ | 97 | 75.6 | 60 | 6 |
| PW ₁₂ @NU-1000 | $30\%~\mathrm{H_2O_2}$ | 0.0017 | 20.8 | $10.4^{[n]}$ | 98 | 57 | 20 | 7 |

[a] The selectivity for CEESO; [b] Nb-SAP: Niobium (V) Saponite Clay; [c] Fe-DECON1: Iron-montmorillonite clays; [d] V-APMS: vanadium-doped acid-prepared mesoporous silica; [e] TON = moles product / moles of total catalytic clusters; [f]TOF = moles product / (moles of total catalytic clusters × amount of time); [g] Time = 90 min; [h] Time = 120 min; [i] Time = 180 min; [j] Time = 300 min; [k] Time = 480 min; [l] Time = 1440 min; [m] Time = 60 min; [n] Time = 2 min.

As shown in Table S2, the TON or TOF of $PMo_{12}@PDDA$ -rGO is not better than that of Mg₃Al-LDH-Nb₆ or Zn₂Cr-LDH-PW₁₁Ni we reported previously. But for the detoxification of chemical warfare agents the decontamination efficiency is a key point to be concern. The decontamination rate of CEES catalyzed by PMo₁₂@PDDA-rGO is much better than that by Mg₃Al-LDH-Nb₆ or Zn₂Cr-LDH-PW₁₁Ni as high POM loading can be achieved with the help of PDDA.

| Radical scavengers | Time (min) | Conv. (%) | Sele. (%) | | |
|--|------------|------------------|-----------|--|--|
| - | 30 | 98 | 90 | | |
| <i>p</i> -benzoquinone ($\cdot O_2^{-}/\cdot O_2 H$) | 30 | 97 | 88 | | |
| <i>tert</i> -butyl alcohol (·OH) | 30 | 98 | 89 | | |
| diphenylamine (·OH) | 30 | 98 | 90 | | |

in the presence of radical scavengers.

Reaction conditions: $PMo_{12}@PDDA$ -rGO (20 mg), CEES (0.25 mmol), 1,3dichlorobenzene (0.125 mmol), 3 wt% aqueous H_2O_2 (internal standard, 0.275 mmol), radical scavengers (0.25 mmol) and acetonitrile (4 mL) at room temperature.

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