

1       **Tailoring the structure of Polysulfone nanocomposite membranes by**  
2       **incorporating Iron oxide doped Aluminium Oxide for excellent separation**  
3    **performance and antifouling property**

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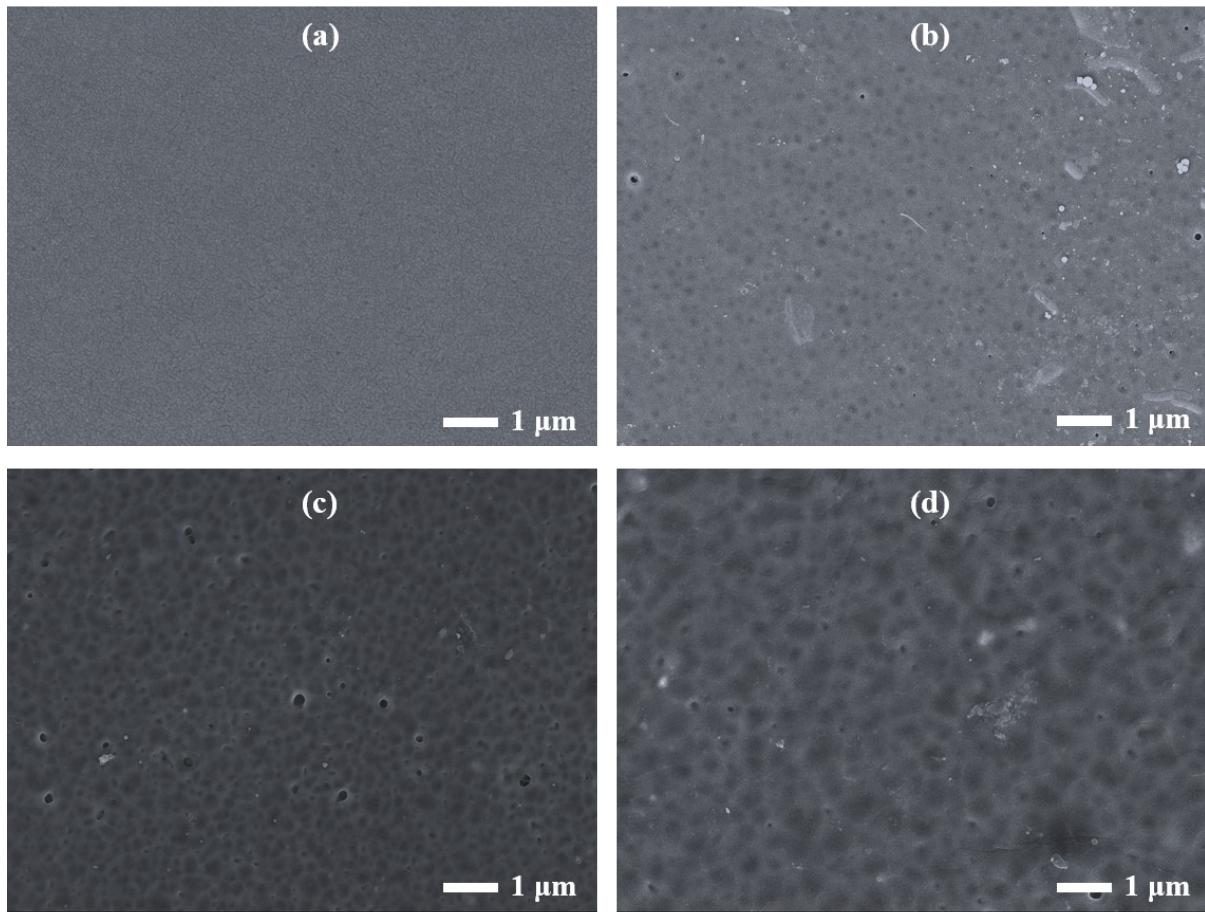
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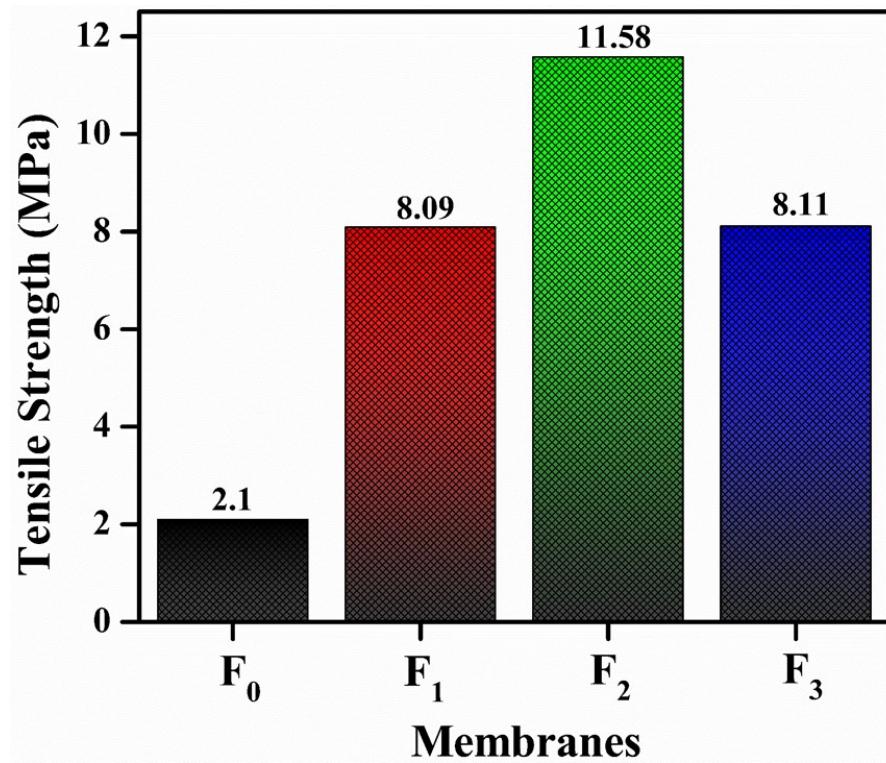
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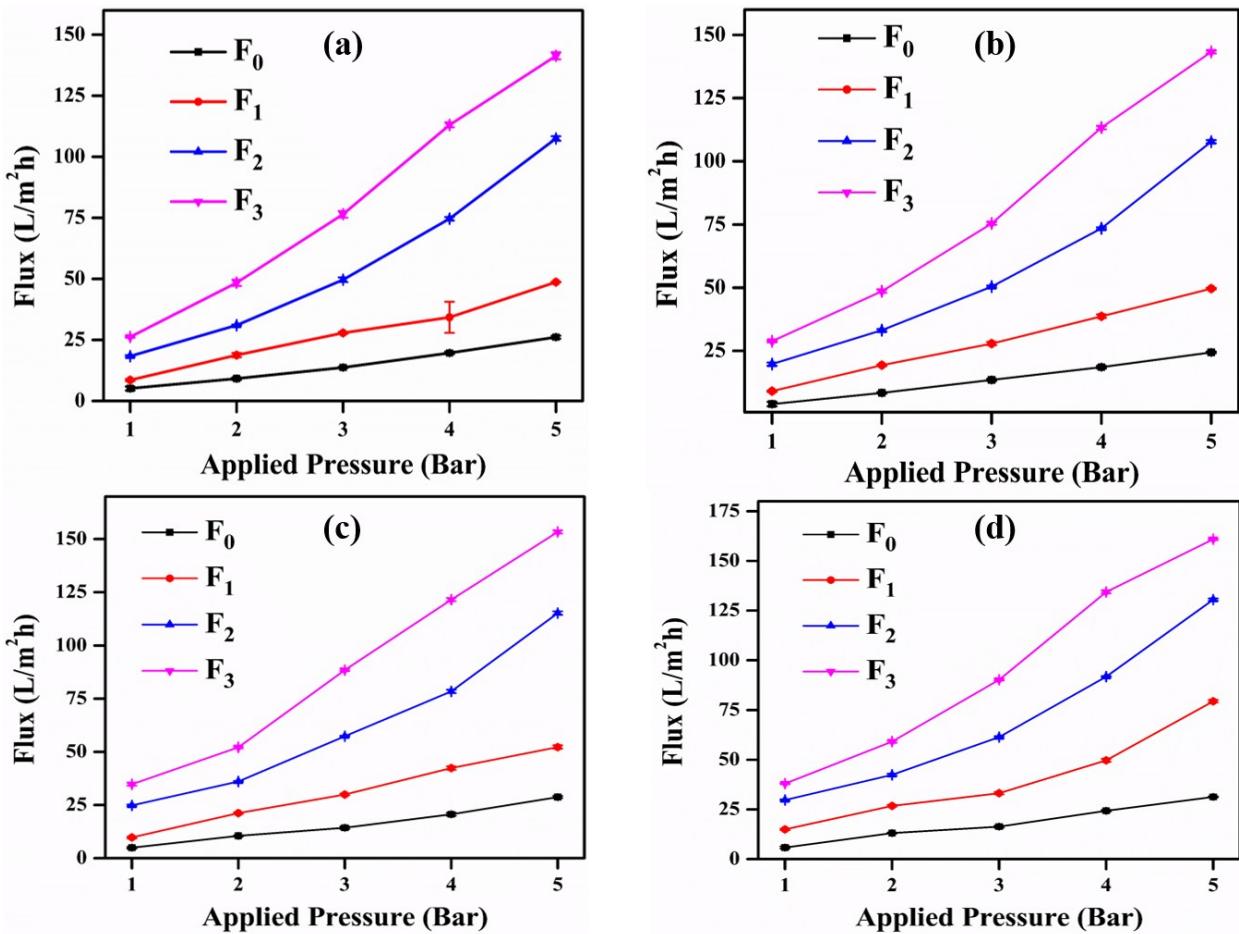
**Figure S1:** Surface FESEM images of (a) F<sub>0</sub> (b) F<sub>1</sub> (c) F<sub>2</sub> (d) F<sub>3</sub>



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**Figure S2:** Tensile Strength of (a) F<sub>0</sub> (b) F<sub>1</sub> (c) F<sub>2</sub> (d) F<sub>3</sub>

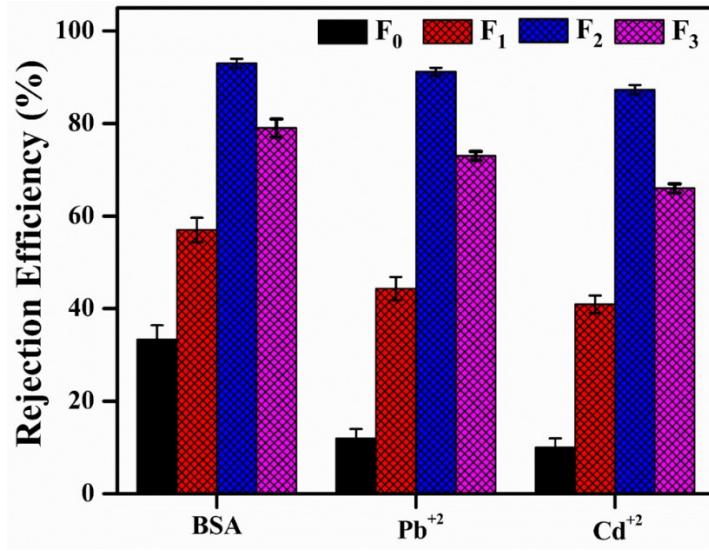


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**Figure S3.** Permeate flux of (a) lead (b) Cadmium, (c) Mercury and (d) Fluoride

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**Figure S4:** Rejection efficiency of the fabricated membranes during antifouling study.

24 **Table S1: Compositions of the fabricated membranes**

<b>Membranes</b>	<b>PSf (g)</b>	<b>Fe: Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>(wt%)</b>	<b>NMP (mL)</b>
F <sub>0</sub>	4.0	0	16
F <sub>1</sub>	3.9	0.625	16
F <sub>2</sub>	3.8	1.25	16
F <sub>3</sub>	3.7	1.875	16

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27 **Table S2: Water Uptake and Porosity of the fabricated membranes**

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<b>Membranes</b>	<b>Water Uptake (%)</b>	<b>Porosity (%)</b>
F <sub>0</sub>	11.2±2	36.1±2
F <sub>1</sub>	20.2±1	44.3±1
F <sub>2</sub>	26.5±2	54.6±1
F <sub>3</sub>	31.3±1.5	79.4±2

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33 **Table S3:** Antifouling properties of fabricated Fe:Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/PSf nanocomposite membranes  
 34 compared with of various other nanocomposite membranes

Type of nanocomposite membranes	Nanoparticles dosage (wt%)	FRR (%)	Total Fouling (%)	Reference
Cellulose Acetate/ZrO <sub>2</sub>	7	71	2.58	<sup>1</sup>
PVDF/ZnO	1	50	-	<sup>2</sup>
Silica-PVP	1	85	35	<sup>3</sup>
Titania NPs/PES	1	75	7.29	<sup>4</sup>
PVDF- MnO <sub>2</sub>	2	93.5	-	<sup>5</sup>
GO/PPSU	2	88±4.2	34	<sup>6</sup>
Pluronic F127/PEI	3	73.3	50	<sup>7</sup>
MXene/PSf	500mg	76	84	<sup>8</sup>
Boron nitride/PSf	2	82	-	<sup>9</sup>
Isocyanate treated GO/PSf	0.05	40	-	<sup>10</sup>
SiO <sub>2</sub> -GO/PSf	0.3	72	-	<sup>11</sup>
<b>Fe:Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/PSf</b>	<b>1.25 wt%</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>37.65</b>	<b>This work</b>

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