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**Efficient removal of Pb(II) and Cr(VI) from acidic wastewater by porous thiophosphoryl polyethyleneimine**

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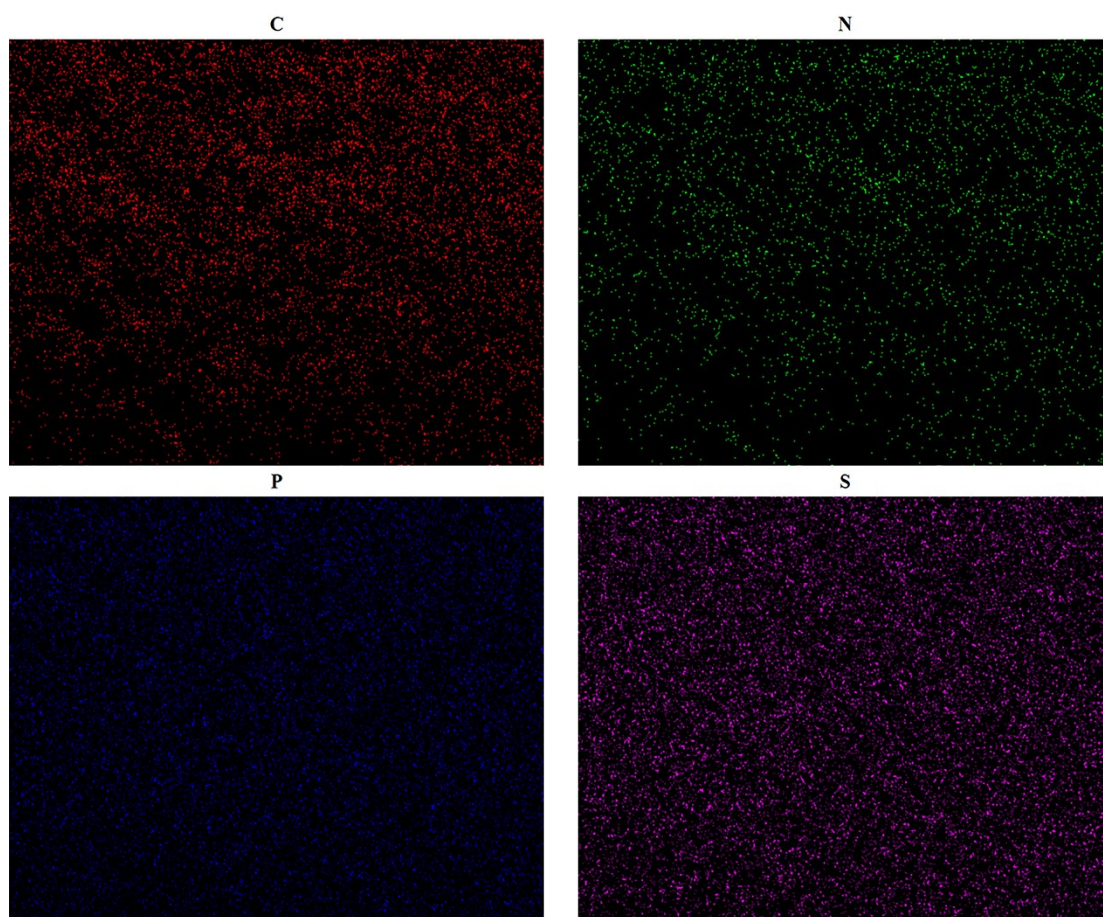
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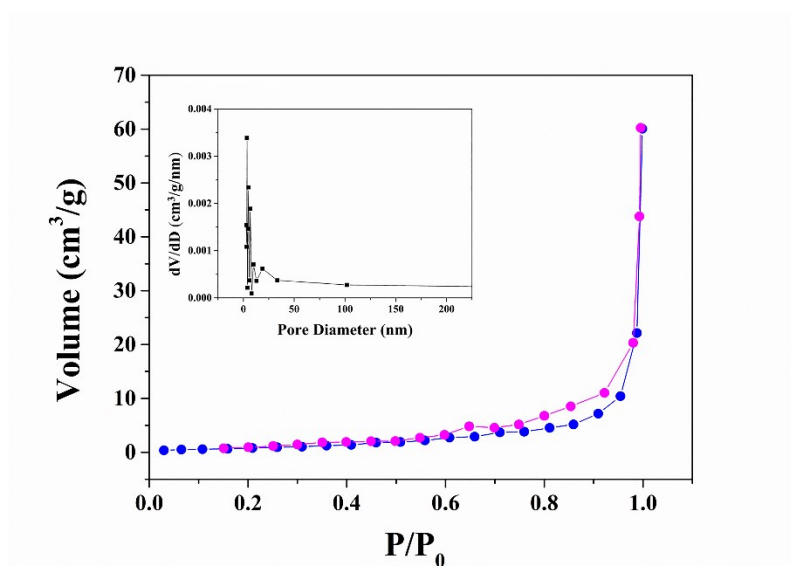
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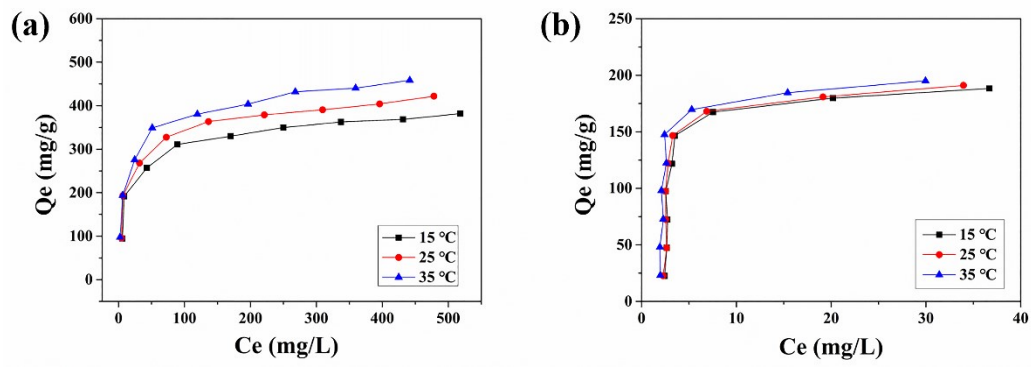
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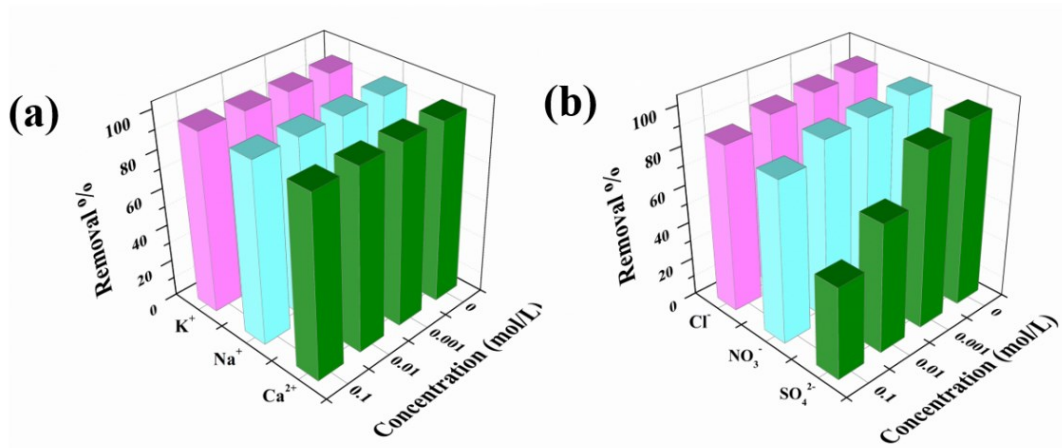
**Fig. S1** EDS mapping images of the adsorbent.



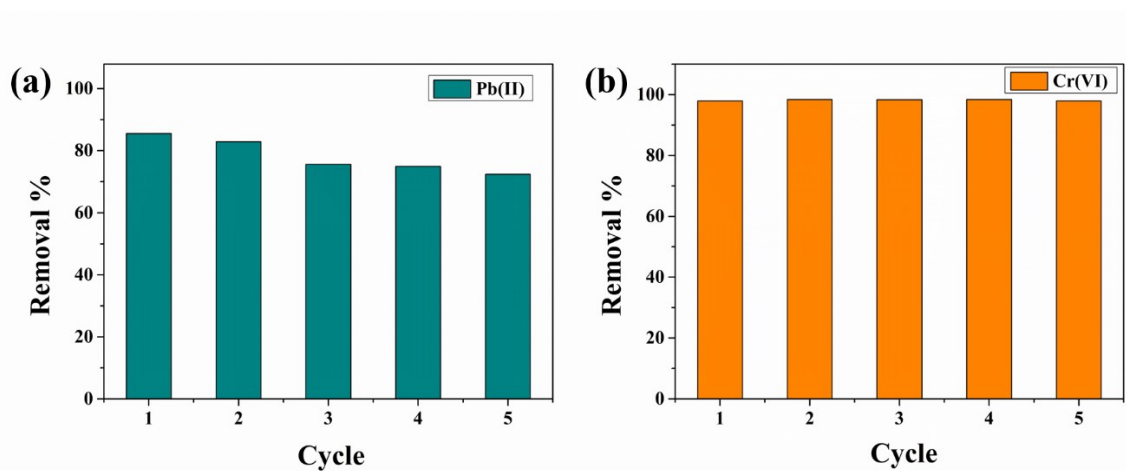
**Fig. S2** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption–desorption isotherms of TPEI (inset: the corresponding pore size distribution curves).



**Fig. S3** Adsorption isotherms of Pb(II) and Cr(VI) at different temperatures.



**Fig. S4** Influence of competitive ions on Pb(II) (a) and Cr(VI) (b) adsorption.



**Fig. S5** The reusability of TPEI for removal of Pb(II) (a) and Cr(VI) (b).

**Table S1.** EDS elemental analysis of the adsorbent.

Elt.	Line	Intensity (c/s)	Conc.	Units	Error 2-sig	MDL 3-sig	
C	Ka	60.50	39.615	wt. %	2.161	1.685	
N	Ka	22.85	29.651	wt. %	2.730	2.332	
P	Ka	186.17	15.955	wt. %	0.460	0.260	
S	Ka	148.36	14.779	wt. %	0.481	0.286	
			100.000	Wt. %			Total

**Table S2.** Related parameters from kinetics equation.

Metal ion	C <sub>0</sub> (ppm)	Q <sub>exp</sub> (mg/g)	Pseudo-first-order model			Pseudo-second-order model		
			K <sub>1</sub> (min <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>1)</sup>	Q <sub>cal</sub> (mg/g)	R <sup>2</sup>	K <sub>2</sub> (g/mg/min)	Q <sub>cal</sub> (mg/g)	R <sup>2</sup>
Pb(II)	100	95.50	0.1511	33.5575	0.8062	0.0115	97.1817	0.9998
Cr(VI)	100	97.90	0.1790	7.8321	0.8441	0.0565	98.3284	0.9999

**Table S3.** Related parameters from isotherm equation.

Metal ion	Temperature (°C)	Langmuir isotherm			Freundlich isotherm		
		Q <sub>max</sub> (mg/g)	K <sub>L</sub> (L/mg)	R <sub>L</sub> <sup>2</sup>	K <sub>F</sub> (mg/g)	n	R <sub>F</sub> <sup>2</sup>
Pb(II)	15 °C	389.10	0.0485	0.9982	87.50	3.9936	0.8274
	25 °C	425.53	0.0530	0.9976	94.06	3.8730	0.8394
	35 °C	462.96	0.0604	0.9972	103.66	3.8270	0.9023
Cr(VI)	15 °C	193.80	0.8012	0.9997	131.72	9.7380	0.9272
	25 °C	196.85	0.7937	0.9993	132.17	9.3397	0.9320
	35 °C	200.80	0.9920	0.9995	137.49	9.3861	0.9394

**Table S4.** Comparison of the adsorption capacity, equilibrium time and pH of TPEI with other adsorbents for Pb(II).

Adsorbents	Adsorption capacity (mg/g)	Equilibrium time (min)	pH	Referees
UiO-66-RSA	189.8	~180	4	[32]
Magnetic polyethyleneimine lignin	96.6	60	6	[33]
TEPA modified chitosan /CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> particles	228.311	50	5	[34]
CeO <sub>2</sub> -MoS <sub>2</sub> hybrid magnetic biochar	263.6	180	4	[35]
Fe-Mn-S@HCS	181.5	600	7	[36]
Cotton fiber functionalized with tetraethylenepentamine and chitosan	123.46	120	5	[37]
EDTA functionalized chitosan/ polyacrylamide hydrogel	138.41	170	5	[38]
Spherical PVA/ATP composites	45.87	720	5	[39]
PVA/PAA nanofibers	159	120	5	[40]
CPEI	1.01	/	3	[20]
CPEID	452.49	40	7	[21]
<b>TPEI</b>	<b>421.9</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>This work</b>

**Table S5.** Comparison of the adsorption capacity, equilibrium time and pH of TPEI with other adsorbents for Cr(VI).

Adsorbents	Adsorption capacity (mg/g)	Equilibrium time (min)	pH	Referees
Chitosan crosslinked modified silicon material	28.88	240	5~6	[41]
Modified chitosan gel	83.33	100	3	[42]
CYPH@IL101/chitosan capsule	104.38	> 960	3	[43]
Chitosan/NiFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (CNF) nanocomposites	31.523	120	2	[44]
PD-Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @CCS	129.03	75	3	[45]
(CPC)-modified montmorillonite	43.84	60	2	[46]
Mts-APTES/GO-OA interstratified composites	44.25	30	3	[47]
Wool keratin/PET composite nanofiber membrane	75.86	720	3	[48]
Magnetic phoenix tree leaves-derived biochar composite	55.0	1440	2	[49]
CPEI	1.43	/	3	[20]
<b>TPEI</b>	<b>191.04</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>This work</b>