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Hierarchical Core–Shell Nanoplatforms Constructed from Fe₃O₄@C and Metal-Organic Frameworks with Excellent Bilirubin Removal Performance

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S1. Materials and Characterization

Materials

Bilirubin (99%), Zirconium (IV) chloride (99%), 2-aminoterephthalic acid (BDC-NH₂, 99%). polyvinyl pyrrolidone PVP K30 (99%), ferrocene (98%), Nhydroxysuccinimide (NHS, 98%) 1-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-3and ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (EDC, 98%) were purchased from J&K Chemicals (Beijing, China); Analytically pure acetic acid, poly(sodium-p-styrenesulfonate) (PSS), N,N-Dimethylformamide (DMF), dichloromethane, acetone, hydrogen peroxide (30%) and sodium hydroxide (99%) were purchased from KeLong Chem (Chengdu, China); mPEG-NH₂ 2000 (97%) was bought from , Albumin bovine serum (BSA, fraction V) was obtained from Caibio Chem (USA); Fetal bovine serum (FBS, qualified) was purchased from Gibco (US); PBS buffer (pH=7.2~7.4), DMEM medium (high glucose) and trypsin-EDTA solution without phenol red were purchased from Sangon Biotech (Shanghai, China); Cell counting kit-8 (CCK-8) was obtained form Meilunbio (Dalian, China); Cells, Caco-2, 293T and LO2 were purchased from Type Culture Collection of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (Shanghai, China); Vacuum blood collection with 3.2% sodium citrate (Weigao, Shandong); Fresh blood, obtained from a healthy adult pig (Laboratory Animal Centre, Sichuan University (Chengdu, China)), all the animal experiments were conducted in compliance with the guidelines for the care and use of laboratory animals from the National Institutes of Health. Ultra-pure water used in this work was made in the laboratory.

Characterization

X-ray diffraction (XRD) was measured on diffractometer (X'Pert PRO; PANalytical, Almelo, Netherlands) with PIXcel 1D detector and Cu Ka radiation. Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) measurements were performed on JSM-7500F JEOL (Tokyo, Japan) equipped with a field emission gun at 15.0 kV, elemental analysis was conducted on an EDX equipped on the S-4800. Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM) measurements were collected on FEI Talos-F200S. Zeta-potential measurements were carried out using Zetasizer Nanosizer, Nano ZS (Malvern, Britain). Brunner-Emmet-Teller (BET) measurements were performed on TriStar 3000 Surface Area and Pore Size Analyzer (HOSIC, UK). The content of Zr element was analyzed by Inductively Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectrometer (ICP-OES) analysis was carried out on Optima 7000 DV (PerkinElmer, USA). Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrometer (FT-IR) spectra were collected on a Nicolet-6700 FT-IR spectrometer (Thermo, USA) equipped with a smart OMNI-sampler accessory. UV-vis spectra were obtained using a TU1901 double beam UV-vis spectrophotometer (Purkinje General, Beijing, China). Vibrating Sample Magnetometer (VSM) measurements were performed on Lake Shore 7410 (USA). Automatic Coagulation Analyzer (CS-5100, Sysmex, USA). Low speed centrifuge (TB4B, Hunan). High speed centrifuge (5418, Eppendorf, USA).

S2. Material Preparation

Preparation of Fe₃O₄(*a*)C

The preparation of $Fe_3O_4@C$ was referred to the literature. 0.3g ferrocene was dissolved in 30mL acetone with ultrasonic dispersion, and then 1.5mL hydrogen peroxide was slowly dropped into the solution. After 10 min of magnetic stirring (300 rpm), precursor solution was placed in a 50mL polytetrafluoroethylene reactor and heated at 200°C for 24h. After the reaction, the solution was cooled naturally at room temperature, separated by magnetic separation, cleaned with acetone for three times, and then dried in vacuum at 60°C for 24h.

Preparation of Single with hierarchical pore

To obtain uniform morphology and appropriate size $Fe_3O_4@C@Uio66-NH_2$ coreshell structure, by changing the reactant: (1) the molar ratio of metal ion and organic ligand; (2) surface negative charge modify reagent, PSS; (3) surfactant, PVP; (4) monobasic acid competition reagent: AcOH, the desired products were successfully prepared (Table S1). Optimization of experimental condition was judged by XRD and SEM of the product (Fig. S2). The exploration process was mainly divided into three groups: Group A, B and C. In group A, the Bragg peak of MOFs in sample 3 was obvious, which indicated that PSS is helpful to the growth of MOF on Fe₃O₄@C; In group B, PVP and AcOH can make the product more uniform and the crystallinity of MOFs was higher; To obtain the optimal product, this study further changed the molar ratio of reactants in Group C, it can be seen from Fig. S2 that sample 7 has the uniform dispersion and higher crystallinity. Flowing products, Single and Double, were then prepared under this condition.

The preparation method of the final product: 50mg prepared Fe₃O₄@C was dissolved in 10mL DMF with ultrasonic dispersion, and then 150 μ L PSS modifier was added and shaken at room temperature for 1h (200 rpm); after magnetic separation, it was dispersed into 5mL DMF again, and the 10mL DMF (containing 36mg ZrCl₄ + 40mg PVP) was added and shaken for 1h; 15mL DMF (containing 38mg BDC-NH₂) and 1.5mL AcOH were added and shaken for another 0.5h; the precursor solution was reacted in a 50mL polytetrafluoroethylene reactor at 110°C for 24h, After the reaction, the solution was cooled naturally at room temperature, separated by magnetic separation, cleaned with DMF for three times, and then dried in vacuum at 70°C for 24h.

To introduce mesoporous in Fe₃O₄@C@Uio66-NH₂ core-shell structure, the volume of AcOH (1.5mL, 4mL, 7mL, i.e. 5%, 15%, 20% (v/v)) was changed in corresponding synthesis process. Name the product Fe₃O₄@C@Uio66-NH₂ prepared under 15% (v/v) AcOH as Single.

Group	Sample	Fe ₃ O ₄ @C (mg)	ZrCl ₄ (mmol)	BDC-NH ₂ (mmol)	PSS (150μL)	PVP (40mg)	AcOH (1.5 mL)	Result
	1	50	0.1	0.1				
Α	2	50	0.2	0.2				
	3	50	0.1	0.1	+			\checkmark
	4	50	0.1	0.1	+	+		
В	5	50	0.1	0.1	+	+	+	$\sqrt{\sqrt{1}}$

Table S1. Synthesis Conditions of Different Products. "+" represents adding the reagent, " $\sqrt{}$ " represents the optimization condition.

	6	50	0.15	0.15	+	+	+	
С	7	50	0.15	0.2	+	+	+	$\sqrt{\sqrt{2}}$
	8	50	0.15	0.3	+	+	+	

Preparation of Double

50mg Single was dissolved in 10 mL DMF with ultrasonic dispersion, and then 300 μ L PSS modifier was added and shaken at room temperature for 1h (200 rpm); after magnetic separation, it was dispersed into 5mL DMF again, and the 10mL DMF (containing 36mg ZrCl₄ + 40mg PVP) was added and shaken for 1h; 15mL DMF (containing 38mg BDC-NH₂) and 1.5mL AcOH were added and shaken for another 0.5h; the precursor solution was reacted in a 50mL polytetrafluoroethylene reactor at 110°C for 24h, After the reaction, the solution was cooled naturally at room temperature, separated by magnetic separation, cleaned with DMF for three times, and then dried in vacuum at 70°C for 24h. Name the product as Double.

Preparation of Double-PEG

50mg Double was dispersed into 10mL ultra-pure water, 50mg EDC, 50mg NHS and 75mg mPEG-NH₂ were dissolved in 5mL ultra-pure water respectively; mix and shake the Double, EDC and NHS solutions for 0.5h (200 rpm), and then add the mPEG-NH₂ solution. The precursor solution reacted at room temperature for 24h under consistent shaking. After the reaction, separated by magnetic separation, cleaned with DMF for three times, and then dried in vacuum at 60°C for 24h. Name the product as Double-PEG.

Adsorption performance investigation

Bilirubin adsorption of products in PBS and biological solution

All adsorption tests were performed under dark conditions in triplicate. 6mg product was dispersed in 1mL PBS solution; 6.3mg bilirubin was first dissolved in 0.1M NaOH solution in advance and then dispersed in 35mL PBS; 6.3mg bilirubin and

1.68g BSA were together dispersed in 35mL PBS solution; 1.8mg bilirubin was dispersed in 10mL 100% FBS solution; 1.8mg bilirubin was dispersed in 10mL pig's whole blood. 1mL product dispersion was added to 5mL of bilirubin, bilirubin-BSA, bilirubin-FBS and bilirubin-whole blood solutions, respectively (final concentration, product: 1mg mL⁻¹, bilirubin: 150µg mL⁻¹, BSA: 40mg mL⁻¹), shaking at 37°C (200rpm). At adsorption time 5, 15, 30, 60, 120, 180, 240min, take 50µL of supernatant dispersed in 3mL PBS to measure the absorbance at 438nm (PBS), 460nm (BSA) and 468nm (FBS and whole blood).

Establish bilirubin UV-vis standard curves of different detecting waves in PBS medium at room temperature, as follows:



Fig. S1 UV-vis standard curve of bilirubin in PBS solution at 438nm, 460nm and 468nm.

Bilirubin adsorption kinetics of Single and Double-PEG^{1,2}

The adsorption date of bilirubin in PBS was selected for kinetic research. The bilirubin uptake at specific time (q_t) and equilibrium (q_e) is obtained by the following formula:

$$q_t = \frac{(C_0 - C_t) \times V}{m} \tag{1}$$

$$q_e = \frac{(C_0 - C_e) \times V}{m} \tag{2}$$

Where q_t and q_e (mg g⁻¹) are the mass of adsorbent adsorbing bilirubin per unit mass

at specific time and equilibrium; C_0 , C_t and C_e (mg L⁻¹) are concentration of bilirubin at initial, specific time and equilibrium; V (L) is the solution volume; m (g) is the mass of the adsorbent.

Fit the data with two widely used kinetic models, pseudo-first-order and pseudosecond-order models by the following formula :

Pseudo-first-order model:

$$\ln\left(q_e - q_t\right) = \ln q_{e,cal,1} - k_1 t \tag{3}$$

Pseudo-second-order model:

$$\frac{t}{q_t} = \frac{1}{k_2 q_{e,cal,2}^2} + \frac{1}{q_{e,cal,2}} \tag{4}$$

Where $q_t (mg g^{-1})$ and $q_e (mg g^{-1})$ are the mass of adsorbent adsorbing bilirubin per unit mass at specific time and equilibrium; $q_{e,cal,1} (mg g^{-1})$ and $q_{e,cal,2} (mg g^{-1})$ are bilirubin uptake at equilibrium calculated by pseudo-first-order and pseudo-secondorder models, respectively; $k_1 (min^{-1})$ and $k_2 (g mg^{-1} min^{-1})$ are rate constants calculated by pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order models, respectively; $h=k_2$ $q_{e,cal,2}^2$ is the initial adsorption rate (mg g⁻¹ min⁻¹) calculated by the pseudo-second-order model.

Bilirubin adsorption isotherm of Single and Double-PEG^{1,3,4}

6mg product was dispersed in 1mL PBS solution; 54mg bilirubin was first dissolved in 0.1M NaOH solution in advance and then dispersed in 30mL PBS; The product was added to the bilirubin solution diluted to 150, 300, 450, 600, 750, 900, 1050, 1200, 1350, 1500 µg mL⁻¹ with PBS, shaken for 2h at 37°C (200 rpm), take 50µL of supernatant dispersed in 3mL PBS to measure the absorbance at 438nm.

Two commonly used fitting models are applied for adsorption isotherm data, Freundlich and Langmuir models:

Nonlinear Freundlich model:

$$q_e = k_F C_e^{\frac{1}{n}}$$
(5)

Linear Freundlich model:

$$\ln\left(q_e\right) = \frac{1}{n} \ln\left(C_e\right) + ln^{\frac{1}{100}}(k_F) \tag{6}$$

Nonlinear Langmuir model:

$$q_e \frac{q_m k_L C_e}{1 + k_L C_e} \tag{7}$$

Linear Langmuir model:

$$\frac{1}{q_e} = \frac{1}{q_m k_L C_e} + \frac{1}{q_m} \tag{8}$$

Separation factor of Langmuir isotherm:

$$R_L = \frac{1}{1 + k_L C_0} \tag{9}$$

Where q_e is the bilirubin uptake at equilibrium; $k_F((mg g^{-1})(L mg^{-1})^{1/n})$ is Freundlich constant; 1/n is the Freundlich exponent; C_0 and C_e are the initial and equilibrium concentration of bilirubin. q_m (mg g⁻¹) is the maximum adsorption capacity fitted by the Langmuir model; K_L (L mg⁻¹) is the Langmuir constant; R_L is the separation factor, when $R_L = 0$, $0 < R_L < 1$, $R_L = 1$, or $R_L > 1$, the adsorption tend to be irreversible, favorable, linear, or unfavorable, respectively.

Cytotoxicity test⁵

Cells were cultured in the environment of 37 $^{\circ}$ C and 5% CO₂ in DMEM, supplemented with 10% FBS, 100 U/mL penicillin and 100 µg/mL streptomycin.

The samples were dispersed and diluted with PBS solution. Select human embryonic kidney cell (293T), human normal hepatocytes (LO2) and human colorectal adenocarcinoma cells (Caco2) to investigate the cytotoxicity of the products Single, Double and Double-PEG by CCK-8 method. Approximately 1×10^5 cells were added to 96-well plate, after 24h of incubation, adding product with final concentration of 20, 50, 100 µg mL⁻¹. After another 24h of incubation, add 10µL CCK-8 reagent and continue to incubate for 2h in the incubator. Absorbance at 450nm was collected using a microplate reader (Molecular Devices, USA).

Cell survival rate was calculated as follows:

Cell survival rate% = $(OD_{exp} - OD_{bla}) / (OD_{neg} - OD_{bla}) \times 100\%$ (10)

The OD_{exp} is the absorbance value of the experimental group; the OD_{neg} is the

absorbance value of the negative control group with only cells; the OD_{bla} is the blank control group without cells. The safe concentration is the concentration corresponding to the cell survival rate $\geq 90\%$.

Hemolysis test⁶

5 mL fresh EDTA anticoagulated pig blood was added to 10 mL saline to centrifuged at 1500rpm for 5min , and the precipitated layer was washed five times with saline to obtain the red blood cells. The red blood cells were resuspended with a concentration of 20% in saline. 0.3mL red blood suspension was immersed in 1.2 mL saline and deionized water used as the negative and positive control, respectively; 0.3mL red blood suspension was immersed in 1.2 mL saline to blood suspension was immersed in 1.2 mL Fe₃O₄@C, Single, Double and Double-PEG samples with a final concentration of 500µg mL⁻¹. Then the mixture solutions incubated for 2h at 37°C.

After interaction, the mixture was centrifuged for 5min at 8000 rpm, the solution was observed by a digital camera. The absorbance of centrifuged supernatant was measured at 541nm to calculate the hemolysis ratio with the following formula:

$$Hemolysis \ ratio(\%) = \frac{AS - AN}{AP - AN}$$
(11)

Where AS is the absorbance of the samples; AN and AP are the absorbance of negative and positive control, respectively.

Anticoagulation tests¹⁶

After centrifugation for 10 min at $1200 \times g$, the upper layer of anemia platelets plasma (PPP) was obtained. PPP was added into a 15 ml centrifuge tube and mixed upside down; The 450 µL PPP was added into a 1.5 ml centrifuge tube, and then 50 µL of samples were added (the final concentration of the samples was 500 µg / mL), and incubated at 37 °C for 60 min. The 450 µL PPP was added with 50µL normal saline as blank control. Three parallel tests were set for each sample. After centrifugation for 5 min at 1200×g, the black brown powder sample was precipitated to the bottom of the centrifuge tube, and the upper plasma was absorbed and added into the new centrifuge tube. The APTT, PT, TT and FIB values were detected by automatic coagulation

analyzer. The batch number of APTT, PT, TT and FIB reagents (Siemens, Germany) is 10445711.

Statistical analysis

All assays were conducted in triplicate. The maximum experimental error in the measurements was 5% and the mean values, standard deviations, and statistical differences were estimated using analysis of variance. Data processing and analyses were performed using the OriginPro software (OriginLab Corporation, Northampton, MA).

S3. Supplementary Fig. S2~S15 and Tables S2~S4

Table S2.	Comparison	of Equilibrium	Uptake	and H	Equilibrium	Time	in Free	bilirubin
and BSA	Solution for I	Double-PEG wit	th Other	Adso	orption Mate	erials		

		Free bili	Free bilirubin BSA bilirubin			Year	Ref			
Туре	Materials	q _e	Т	[C]	q _e	Т				
		(mg g ⁻¹)	(min)	(mg mL ⁻¹)	$(mg g^{-1})$	(min)				
	AC				0.24	120	2017	[7]		
	Dextran-co	ated AC								
AC					7.4	120	2016	[8]		
	Zwitterioni	c hydrogel	coated A	мС						
					8.0	120	2017	[7]		
	Magnetic n	nultiwalled	carbon r	anotubes						
		263.16	150				2012	[9]		
Magnetic	Carbon nan	otubes/mag	gnetite/cl	hitin magneti	c nanocomp	oosite				
materials		6.19	20				2014	[10]		
	Magnetic nitrogen-doped porous carbon									
				40	72 4	115	2017	[11]		
	Chitosan/gr	aphene oxi	de comp	osite aerogel	microspher	res	2017	[11]		
	U	1	1	e	I					
Composite		178.25	120				2020	[12]		
materials	Organic hec nanocomposites modified with lysine									
		84.17	180				2019	[13]		
	Lysine-imn	nobilized cl	nitin/carl	oon nanotube	microspher	res				
				10	107.2	180	2017	[3]		
	Polyethyler	nimine graf	ted elect	rospun polya	crylonitrile	fiber mer	nbrane			
		10/ 17	180	50	112.87	300	2018	[1/]		
Membrane	Polv(tetrafl	uoroethylei	ne) mem	brane	112.07	500	2010			
materials	1 ory (totiuii	uoroettiytei		orune						
					94.5	50	2005	[15]		
	Alginate/H	SA double-	sided fur	nctional PVD	F multifund	ctional co	mposite			
				20	32.72	180	2020	[16]		
	Macro-mes	oporous rec	duced gr	aphene aerog	el beads					
		1361 51	180	40	252 1	480	2020	[17]		
		1501.51	400	4 0	<i>434.</i> 4	400	2020	1/		

	S/L=0.29							
	Chitosan/SiO 2 -loaded graphene composite beads							
Beads		202.20	60	40	40	120	2020	F101
		202.39	00	40 S/I - 2 2	40	120	2020	[18]
		D 111	·	$\frac{5/L-2.5}{100}$				
	Carrageena	an-Based He	parin-M	imetic Gel E	seads			
		228.16	600				2018	[5]
	Graphene of	oxide based	core @ j	polyethersulf	fone-based s	shell beac	ls	
		74.07	240				2020	[19]
	Chitin/grap	ohene oxide	composi	ite aerogel be	eads			
		418.4	90				2019	[20]
	Nano-CaC	O3/polystyre	ene nanc	composite b	eads			
				15	24.98	120	2018	[4]
	Polydopan	nine decorate	ed order	ed mesoporo	us carbon			
		513.54	30	40	122.7	30	2020	[21]
Carbon				S/L=1.0				
	Hierarchic	ally macro/n	nesoporo	ous carbon				
		885	120	plasma	10.8	120	2014	[22]
	PCN-333 a	and MOF-80	8					
		1003.8	5	40	165.6	30	2020	[1]
		1005.0	5	S/L = 0.2	105.0	50	2020	[1]
MOFs	PCB-MIL1	101 and MII	-101(Cr	$\frac{0.2}{0.2}$) based anti-	biofouling			
	100 11121) oused until	ololouing			
		583	60	40	102.8	180	2020	[2]
Imprinted	Bilirubin i	mprinted pol	lydopam	ine coated p	oly(ether su	lfone)		
materials								
		184.24	120				2017	[23]
Hierard	chically	1738.29	5	40	145.16	60	This	work
Fe ₃ O ₄ @NMOFs				S/L=0.2				



Fig. S2 (a) X-ray diffraction pattern of samples 1~8. (b) SEM mapping pattern of samples 6~8.



Fig. S3 X-ray diffraction pattern of Fe₃O₄@C and Uio66-NH₂.



Fig. S4 N₂ adsorption–desorption isotherms patterns of product under different acetic acid volume ratios calculated by Brunauer–Emmett–Teller (BET) method.



Fig. S5 Pore size distribution calculated by the Barrett–Joyner–Halenda (BJH)

method.



Fig. S6 X-ray diffraction pattern of of product under different acetic acid volume ratio.



Fig. S7 N₂ adsorption–desorption isotherms patterns of product Double-PEG calculated by Brunauer–Emmett–Teller (BET) method.



Fig. S8 (a) Electronic photos, (b) SEM mapping pattern of Fe₃O₄@C, Single, Double and Double-PEG, inset: diameter distribution (scale bar: 1μm).

Single

5µm	C	
0	Fe	Zr
Double-PEG		
5.22 . 5µm	C	N
0	Fe	Zr

Fig. S9 SEM mapping patterns of Single and Double-PEG.



Fig. S10 Regeneration performance of product toward bilirubin uptake.



Fig. S11 The concentration of Zr and Fe atoms versus time in 100% FBS solution characterized by ICP-OES.



Fig. S12 SEM pattern of Double-PEG after adsorption in 100% FBS solution.



Fig. S13 Bilirubin adsorption kinetics of Sibgle. (a) Bilirubin uptake versus time in PBS solution. Adsorption kinetic: (b) pseudo-first-order and (c) pseudo-second-order fitting plots for bilirubin adsorption.

pseudo-first-order						
$q_{e,cal,1} (mg g^{-1})$ $k_1 (min^{-1})$ R^2						
48.92	0.	0155	0.7051			
	pseudo-second-order					
$q_{e,cal,2} (mg g^{-1})$	k_2 (g mg ⁻¹ min ⁻¹)	h (mg g ⁻¹ min ⁻¹)	R ²			
122.10	0.0028	41.14	0.9998			

Table S3. Adsorption Kinetic Parameters of Single toward Free Bilirubin.



Fig. S14 Separation factor (R_L) in the Langmuir model fitting results.



Fig. S15 Bilirubin adsorption isotherms in PBS solution of Single: (a,b) nonlinear Freundlich and linear Freundlich, (c,d) nonlinear Langmuir and linear Langmuir model fitting plots.

Langmuir						
fitting method	$q_{m} (mg g^{-1})$	$K_L (L mg^{-1})$	\mathbb{R}^2			
linear	869.57	0.123	0.8560			
non linear	872.43	0.117	0.8536			
	Freandich					
fitting method	$k_F (mg g^{-1}) (L mg^{-1})^{1/n}$	1/n	R ²			
linear	498.80	0.102	0.9388			
non linear	497.22	0.103	0.9262			

Table S4. Adsorption Isotherm Parameters of Single toward Free Bilirubin.

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