

*Supplementary Materials*

**Colloidal Stability and Deposition Behavior of Chromium (Hydr)oxide In the  
Presence of Dissolved Organic Matter: Role of Coprecipitation and Adsorption**

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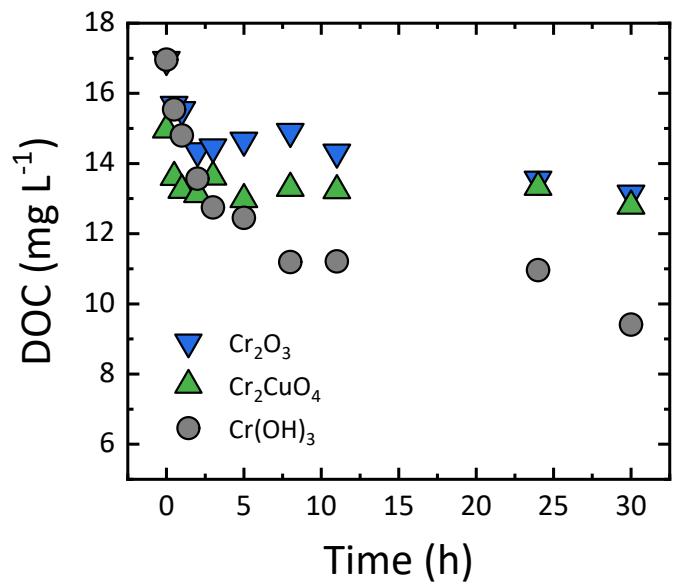
**Table S1.** Properties of SLOM. C1-C4 represented the components in EEM spectrum.

DOC (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	SUVA <sub>254</sub>	C1 (%)	C2 (%)	C3 (%)	C4 (%)	Zeta Potential (mV)	r <sub>D</sub> (Hz s <sup>-1</sup> )
24.1±1.6	12.6±0.9	45.8	32.9	20.3	1.1	-45.6	0.023

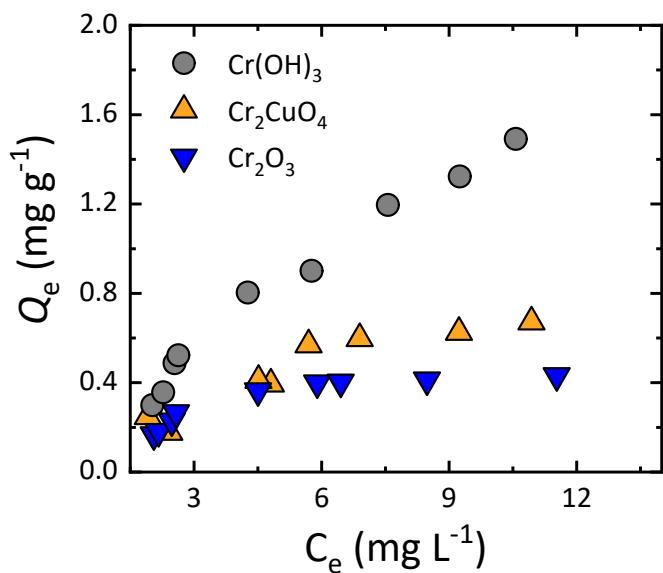
**Table S2.** Surface elemental composition of Cr (hydr)oxides in the presence of SLOM detected using XPS under different reaction time.

	Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>			Cr <sub>2</sub> CuO <sub>4</sub>			Cr(OH) <sub>3</sub>		
	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours
3 hours									
C 1s	26.32	31.34	24.21	C 1s	60.15	50.46	51.2	C 1s	28.43
Cr 2p	23.19	18.21	18.69	Cr 2p	6.73	6.04	2.68	Cr 2p	8.96
O 1s	49.73	49.11	56.18	Cu 2p	6.55	6.25	2.77	O 1s	61.17
N 1s	0.76	1.35	0.92	O 1s	25.82	35.71	42.4	N 1s	1.44
N 1s									
0.75      1.54      0.95									
TOCC/Cr*	<b>1.13</b>	<b>1.72</b>	<b>1.29</b>		<b>4.52</b>	<b>4.11</b>	<b>9.39</b>		<b>3.17</b>
									<b>4.04</b>
									<b>9.14</b>

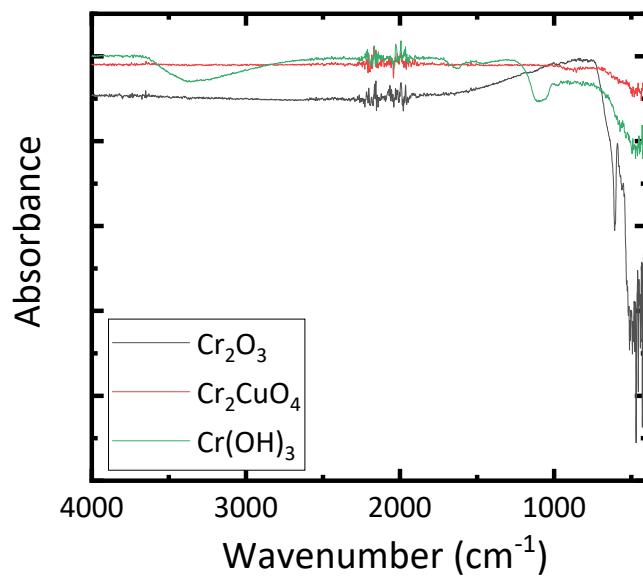
\* Denominator referred to the Cr atomic content for Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Cr(OH)<sub>3</sub>, but referred to the sum of Cr and Cu atomic content for Cr<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>.



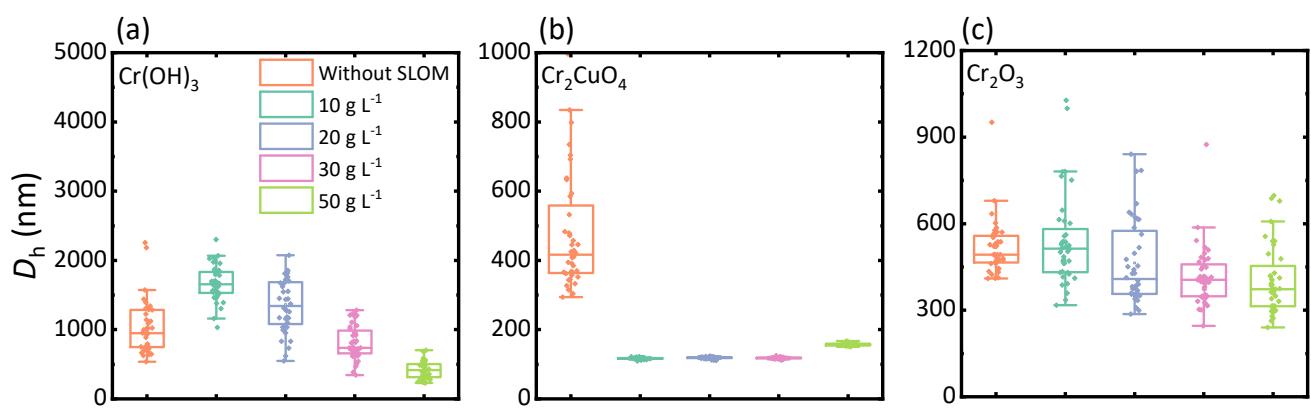
**Fig. S1.** The dynamic changes in DOC of aqueous SLOM in the presence of different Cr (hydr)oxides.



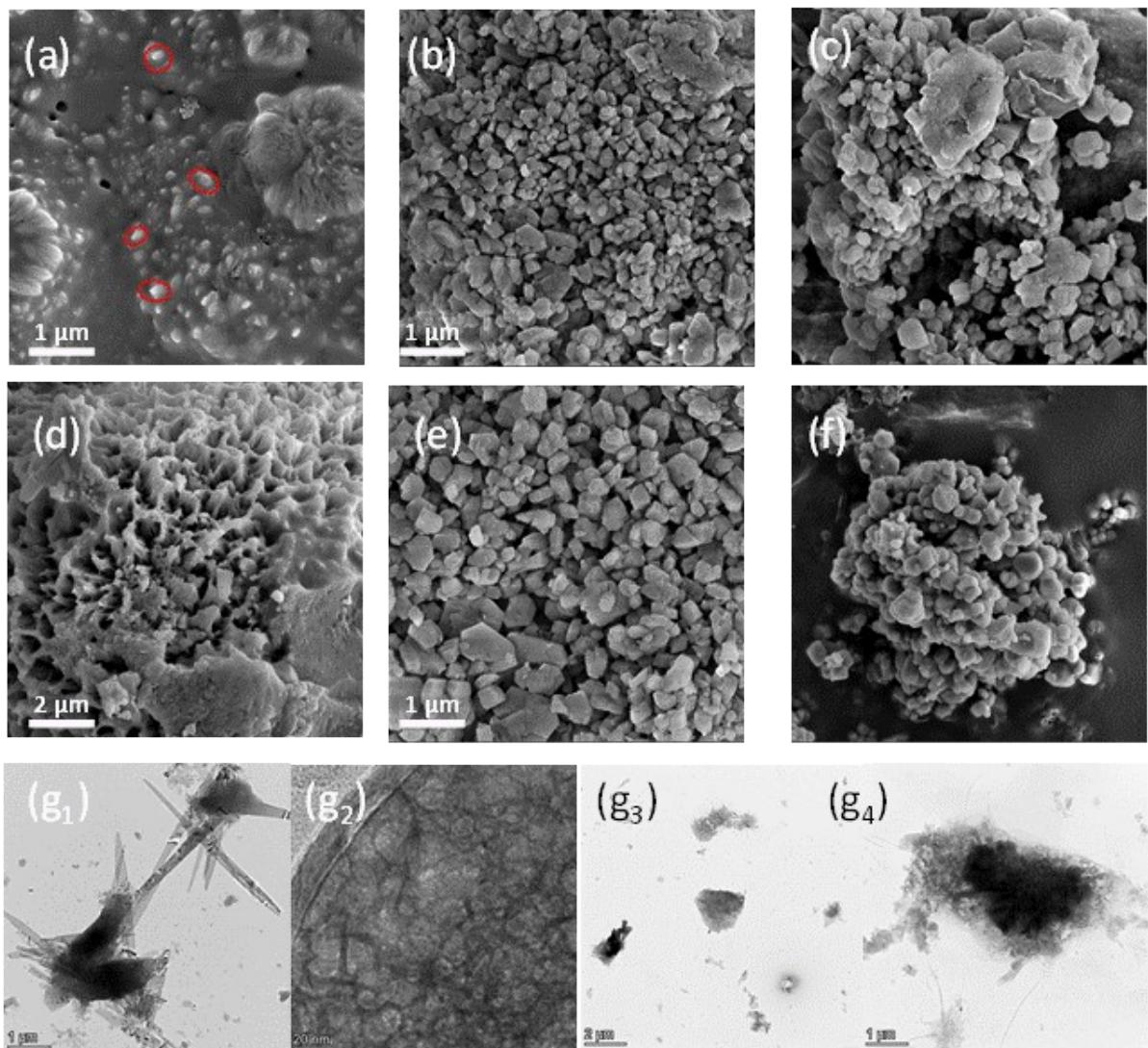
**Fig. S2.** Adsorption isotherms of TOC of SLOM on the different Cr (hydr)oxides.



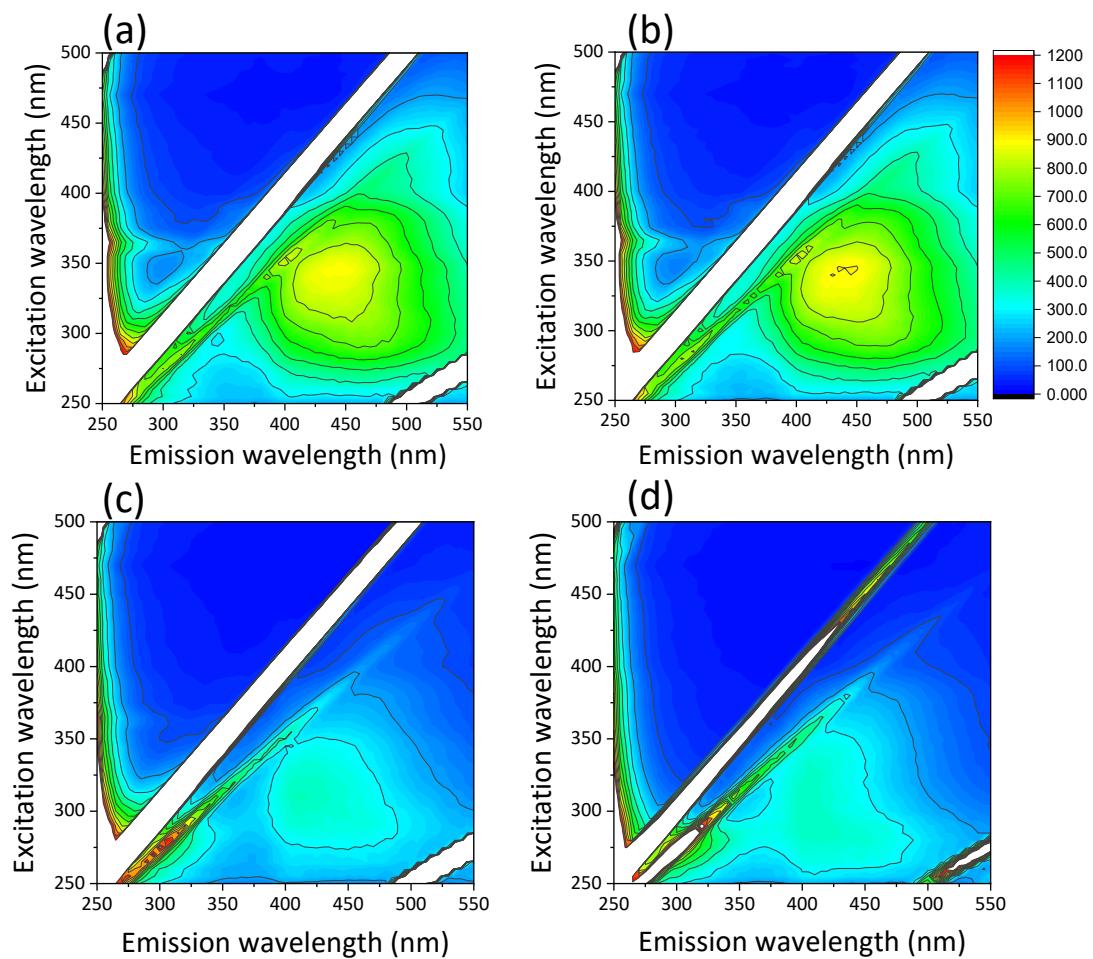
**Fig. S3.** FTIR spectrum of  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ ,  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CuO}_4$ , and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$  samples.



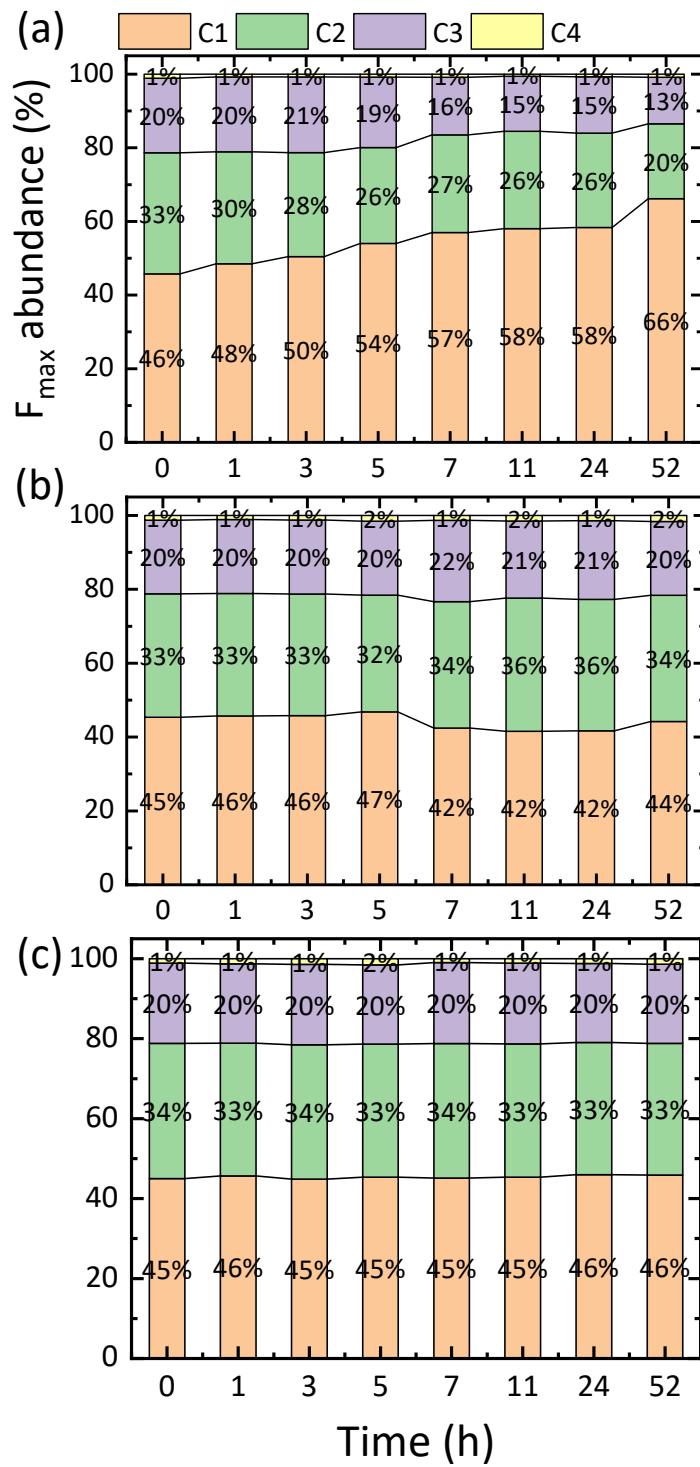
**Fig. S4** Box plots of hydrodynamic diameter ( $D_h$ ) of (a)  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ , (b)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CuO}_4$ , and (c)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$  under different SLOM loadings.



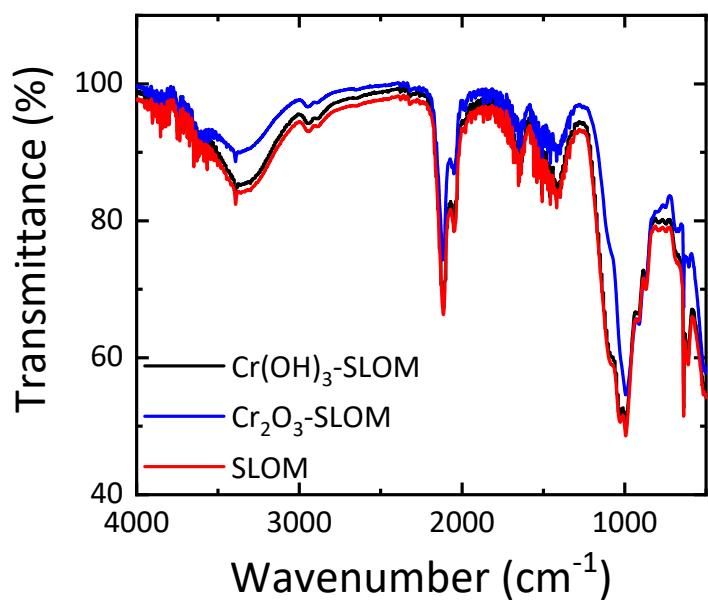
**Fig. S5** SEM images of different Cr (hydr)oxide colloids in the presence of SLOM. (a) and (d) referred to Cr(OH)<sub>3</sub>, (b) and (e) referred to Cr<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>, and (c) and (f) referred to Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. The TEM images of (g<sub>1</sub>) and (g<sub>2</sub>) Cr(OH)<sub>3</sub> and (g<sub>3</sub>) and (g<sub>4</sub>) Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



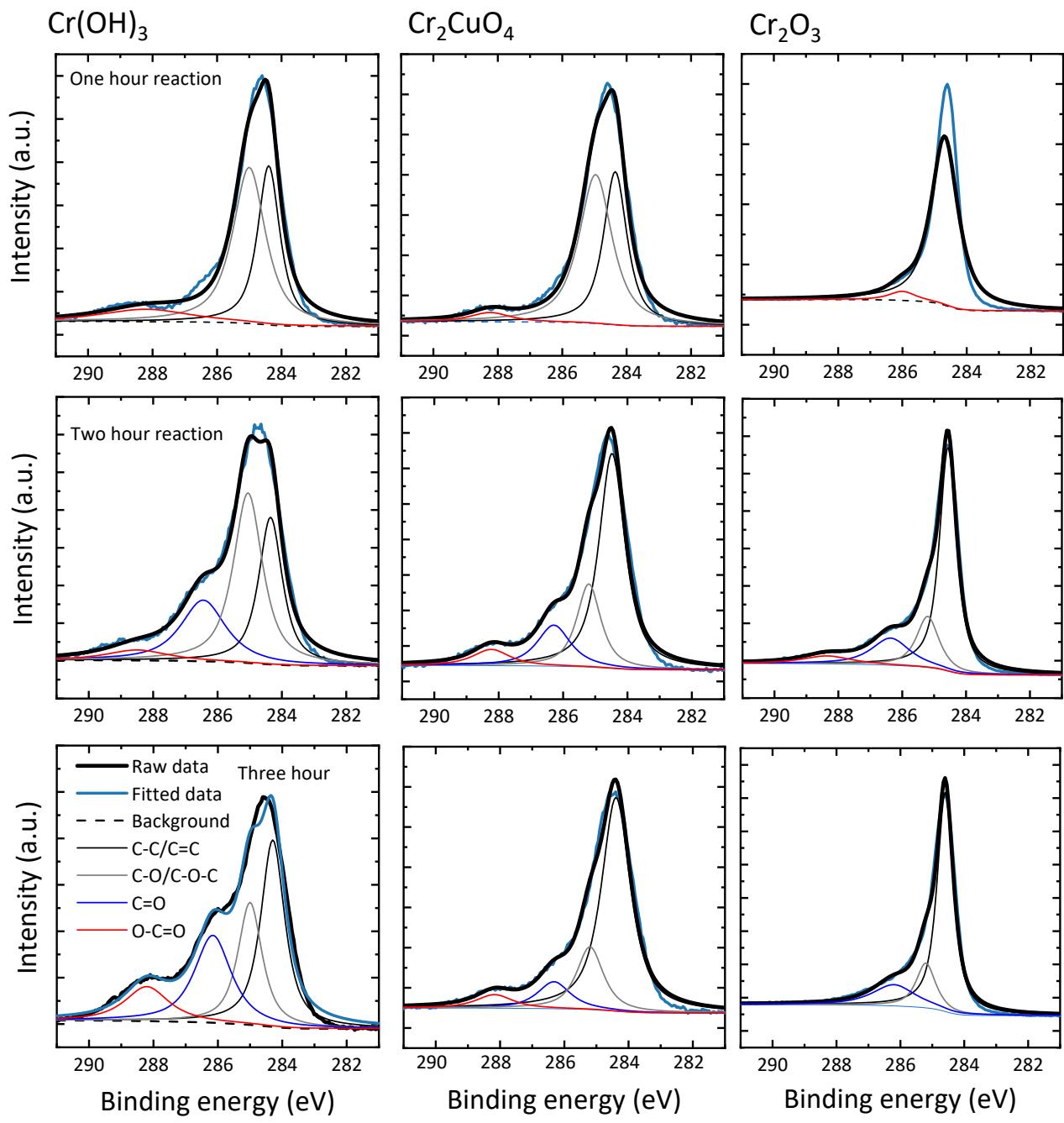
**Fig. S6** Changes in EEM spectrum: (a) original SLOM and the SLOM in the presence (b)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ , (c)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CuO}_4$ , and (d)  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ .



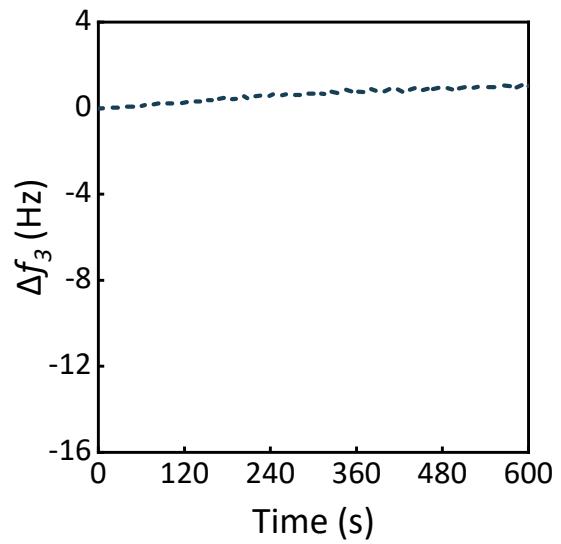
**Fig. S7** Changes in  $F_{\max}$  abundance (%) of four components in SLOM due to interaction with (a)  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ , (b)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CuO}_4$ , and (c)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ . Four components in SLOM were determined by fluorescent loadings in EEM spectra and PARAFAC analysis.



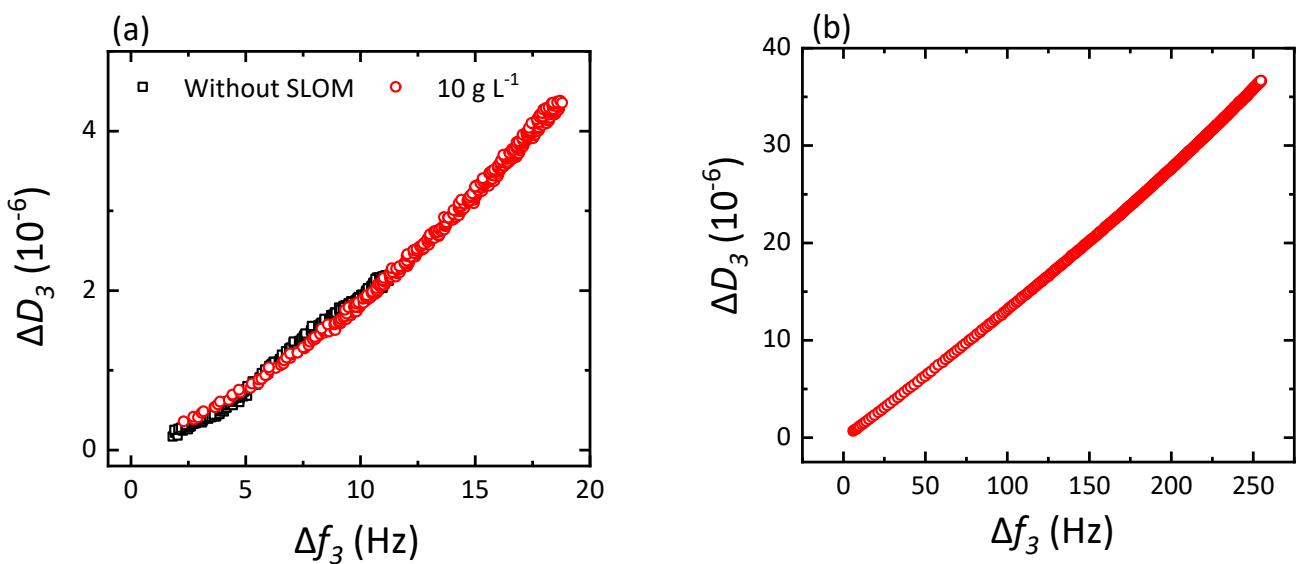
**Fig. S8** FTIR spectrum of aqueous SLOM in the presence of different Cr (hydr)oxides.



**Fig. S9** The deconvoluted peaks of C-C/C=C, C-O/C-O-C, C=O, and O-C=O of different Cr (hydr)oxides in the presence of SLOM using XPS analysis. From upper to downline, the figures referred to the different reaction times. Left column figures referred to  $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ , middle column figures referred to  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CuO}_4$ , and right column figures referred to  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ .



**Fig. S10** The changes in the frequency of SLOM alone.



**Fig. S11** The changes in the dissipation of  $\text{Cr(OH)}_3$  colloids as a function of frequency shifts with 0 and  $10 \text{ g L}^{-1}$  loading SLOM (a) and under highest SLOM loading (b).