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## Solvent-free and aerobic oxidation of benzyl alcohol catalyzed by Pd

## supported on carbon nitride /CeO<sub>2</sub> composites

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**Fig. S1** Pore size distribution eg-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (a), CeO<sub>2</sub> (b), CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (c), 1Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (d), 2Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (e), 3Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (f), 4Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (g), and 3Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub>-R (h)

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Fig. S2 TEM images of eg-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (A), CeO<sub>2</sub> (B), CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (C), 3Pd/eg-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (D), 3Pd/CeO<sub>2</sub> (E), and 3Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (F) materials.



Fig. S3 SEM and EDX-mapping images of 3Pd/CeO<sub>2</sub>.



**Fig. S4** FT-IR spectra of eg-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (a), CeO<sub>2</sub> (b), CN-0.8/CeO<sub>2</sub> (c), CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (d), CN-1.2/CeO<sub>2</sub> (e), 3Pd/eg-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (f), 3Pd/CeO<sub>2</sub> (g), 3Pd/CN-0.8/CeO<sub>2</sub> (h), 3Pd/CN-1.0/CeO<sub>2</sub> (i), and 3Pd/CN-1.2/CeO<sub>2</sub> (j) materials.

Peak No.	B.E. (eV)	Signal	Ce cation
0	879.3	$v_0$	Ce <sup>3+</sup>
1	881.9	v	$Ce^{4+}$
2	884.3	v'	Ce <sup>3+</sup>
3	888.5	v"	$Ce^{4+}$
4	897.9	<i>v</i> '''	$Ce^{4+}$
5	900.6	и	$Ce^{4+}$
6	902.8	u'	Ce <sup>3+</sup>
7	907.1	<i>u</i> "	$Ce^{4+}$
8	896.2	$u_0$	Ce <sup>3+</sup>
9	916.3	<i>u</i> '''	$Ce^{4+}$

 Table S1 Attribution of Ce cations of Ce 3d spectra.