## **Supplementary Information**

## Exploration of active sites of ethyl alcohol electro-oxidation on

## porous gold nanoparticles with enhanced Raman spectroscopy

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## **Materials and Characterizations**

HAuCl<sub>4</sub>•3H<sub>2</sub>O ( $\geq$ 98%), 0.05 µm alumina polishing powder, Nafion (5%), potassium ferricyanide, potassium chloride was purchased from Aladdin (Shanghai, China). Urea and ethanol were purchased from Shantou Xilong and Tianjin Fuchen. All aqueous solutions were prepared by deionized water (18.25  $M\Omega \cdot cm$ ). Transmission electron microscope (TEM) images were captured using a transmission electron microscope (S-4800, Japan). The Q-switched YAG laser (Indi-10) from American Spectral Physics Corporation was used for laser irradiation. The laser beam was focused using a neutral density filter and a quartz converging lens with a focal length of 100mm. An imaging lens with a focal length of 70 mm and an optical fiber probe were used to collect the laser signal. The two-dimensional electric translation table was used to move the experimental samples at a precise speed to ensure the sampling quantity and randomness. Sampling and analysis were performed using grating spectrometer, ICCD and computer. Raman spectroscopy of anhydrous ethanol was detected by self-assembled Raman spectrometer and electrochemical detection of porous Au nanospheres was carried out by electrochemical workstation (CHI660E, Shanghai Chenhua Instrument). Renishaw inVia with a laser wavelength of 532nm was used for electrochemical enhanced Raman instrument test various substances in the preparation process are dispersed by ultrasonic cleaner.

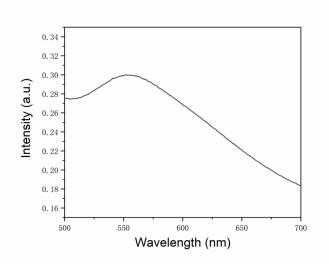


Figure S1 : Ultraviolet absorption spectra of porous gold nanospheres

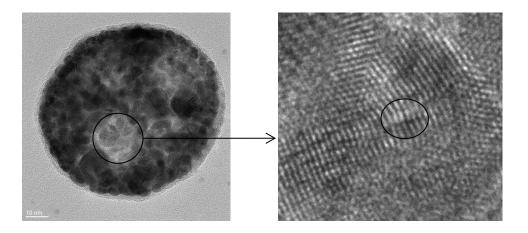


Figure S2 : TEM image of porous gold nanospheres