

## Nanoporous carbonaceous materials with high surface area: synthesis and application in catalysis

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### Tables and Figures

**Table S1** Elemental analysis for the monomers and the corresponding polymers (wt%)

|          | C     | H    | O     |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| BHMB     | 78.50 | 6.54 | 14.96 |
| HCP-BHMB | 84.23 | 4.32 | 7.91  |

**Table S2** Pore parameters of HCP-BHMB, HCP-BHMB-K-800 and the nanocatalysts.

| Samples           | $S_{\text{BET}}^a$<br>( $\text{m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ ) | $V_{\text{Total}}^b$<br>( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$ ) | $V_{\text{Micro}}^c$<br>( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$ ) | Dominant pore size <sup>d</sup><br>(nm) |
|-------------------|---|--|--|---|
| HCP-BHMB          | 1249  | 0.94   | 0.55   | 0.62, 2.31                              |
| HCP-BHMB-K-800    | 3142  | 2.19   | 1.89   | 0.58, 2.12                              |
| Ag@HCP-BHMB       | 1109  | 0.78   | 0.49   | 0.53, 2.15                              |
| Ag@HCP-BHMB-K-800 | 2733  | 1.88   | 1.59   | 0.55, 2.30                              |

<sup>a</sup> Surface area was calculated from the nitrogen adsorption branch according to the BET model.

<sup>b</sup> The total pore volume was calculated from the single point nitrogen uptake at  $P/P_0 = 0.99$ .

<sup>c</sup> The micropore volume was estimated by the t-plot method.

<sup>d</sup> Pore size derived from  $\text{N}_2$  isotherm with the NLDFT approach.

**Table S3** Comparison of catalytic activity of different catalysts for the reduction of 4-NP. (some TOF values are calculated based on the experimental conditions listed in the reference)

| Name of Catalyst  | Metal | Time (min) | k (min <sup>-1</sup> ) | TOF (mol g <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ) | Ref.      |
|---|-------|------------|------------------------|--|-----------|
| Ag@HCP-BHMB-K-800                                       | Ag    | 2.5        | 1.26                   | 2.67×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | This work |
| Ag@HCP-BHMB   | Ag    | 10         | 3.1×10 <sup>-1</sup>   | 6.67×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | This work |
| Ag@NC(1.0 mg)   | Ag    | 14         | 4.2×10 <sup>-3</sup>   | 2.38×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [1]       |
| Ag/C@mSiO <sub>2</sub> -S                               | Ag    | 7          | 4.5×10 <sup>-1</sup>   | 1.43×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [2]       |
| 1.0Ag/p-BNNS-Air  | Ag    | 0.75       | 9.01                   | 1.33×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | [3]       |
| silica-Ag2  | Ag    | 8          | 5.10×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 4.17×10 <sup>-7</sup>                      | [4]       |
| Ag-COP(1:1)   | Ag    | 5          | 7.32×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 3.33×10 <sup>-7</sup>                      | [5]       |
| Ag@CCTPB-K  | Ag    | 3.5        | 8.7×10 <sup>-1</sup>   | 1.90×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | [6]       |
| Ag@γ-Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /t-ZrO <sub>2</sub> | Ag    | 1.5        | 2.80                   | 3.33×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [7]       |
| PMPA-1  | Ag    | 6          | 5.7×10 <sup>-1</sup>   | 5.56×10 <sup>-7</sup>                      | [8]       |
| Au/TNT  | Au    | 60         | 6.1×10 <sup>-2</sup>   | 3.52×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [9]       |
| Au@NH <sub>2</sub> -MSNs                                | Au    | 8          | 3.7×10 <sup>-1</sup>   | 1.04×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | [10]      |
| Au-Ce-MOF   | Au    | 10         | 3.24×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 1.67×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [11]      |
| CG-Ag <sub>2</sub> O/Au-SiO <sub>2</sub>                | Au    | 7          | 4.89×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 1.19×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | [12]      |
| PCNFs-Au  | Au    | 0.83       | 6.27                   | 1.5×10 <sup>-5</sup>                       | [13]      |
| NH <sub>2</sub> -MIL-88B(Fe)@Au@COFs                    | Au    | 25         | 1.31×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 16×10 <sup>-5</sup>                        | [14]      |
| Pd/HKUST-1(Pd-14.4)                                     | Pd    | 3          | 9.84×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 4.17×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [15]      |
| Pd/PC-POP(3.7% Pd)                                      | Pd    | 5.95       | 5.64×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 1.51×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | [16]      |
| Co/PCNS   | Co    | 7          | 3.15×10 <sup>-1</sup>  | 6.85×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [17]      |
| CoPOP-2   | Co    | 15         | 6.9×10 <sup>-2</sup>   | 1.56×10 <sup>-6</sup>                      | [18]      |
| Co-Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @C-A                  | Co    | 1.3        | 2.10                   | 3.75×10 <sup>-5</sup>                      | [19]      |

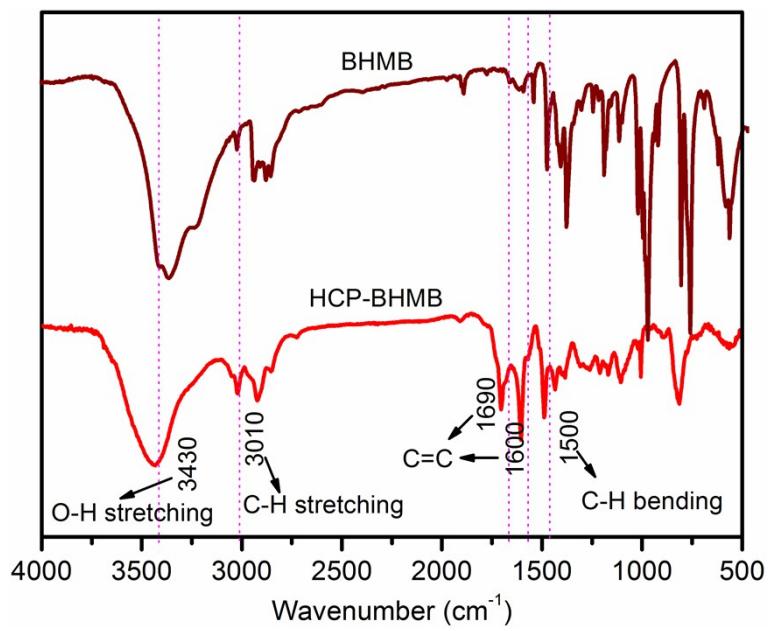


Fig. S1 Comparison of the FTIR spectra of BHMB and HCP-BHMB.

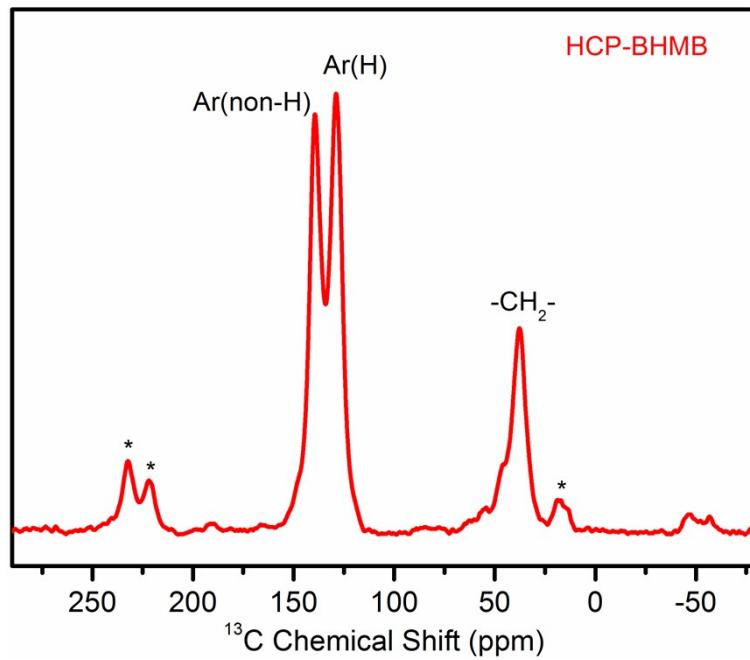


Fig. S2 <sup>13</sup>C CP/MAS NMR spectrum of HCP-BHMB.

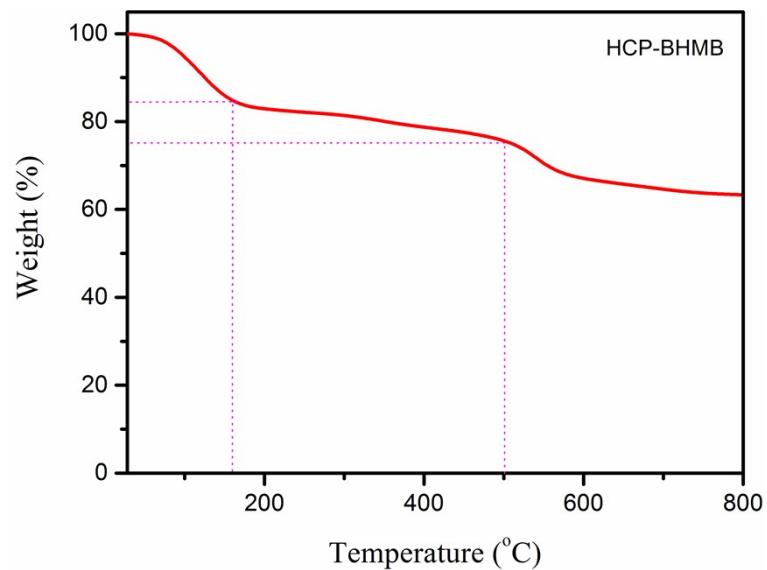


Fig. S3 TGA curve of HCP-BHMB at a ramp of  $10\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C min}^{-1}$  in nitrogen atmosphere.

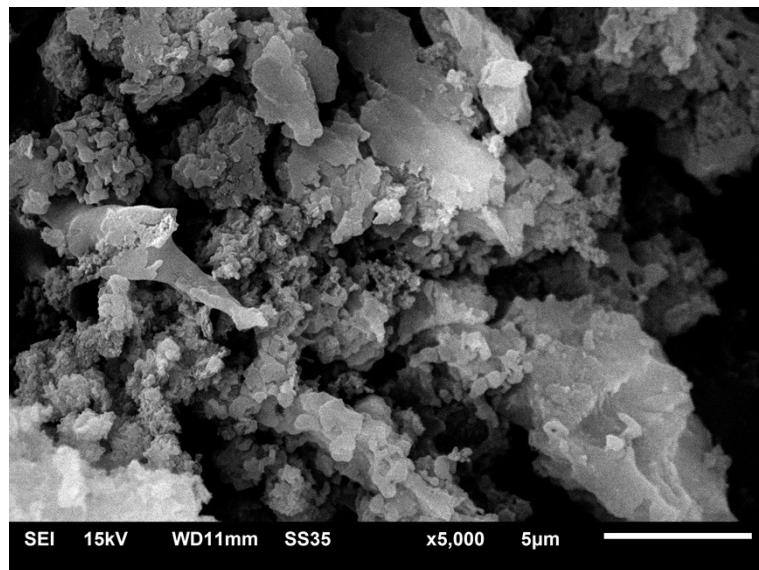


Fig. S4 SEM image of HCP-BHMB.

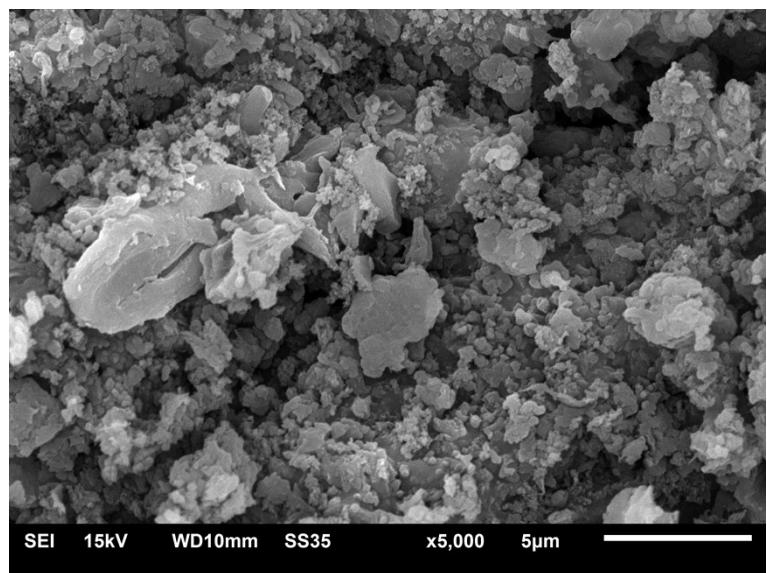


Fig. S5 SEM image of HCP-BHMB-K-800.

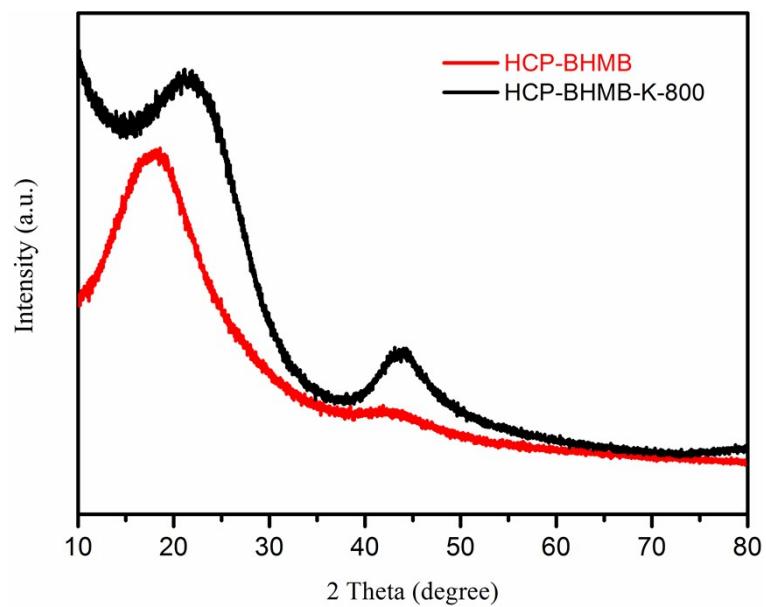


Fig. S6 Powder X-Ray diffraction (PXRD) of HCP-BHMB and HCP-BHMB-K-800.

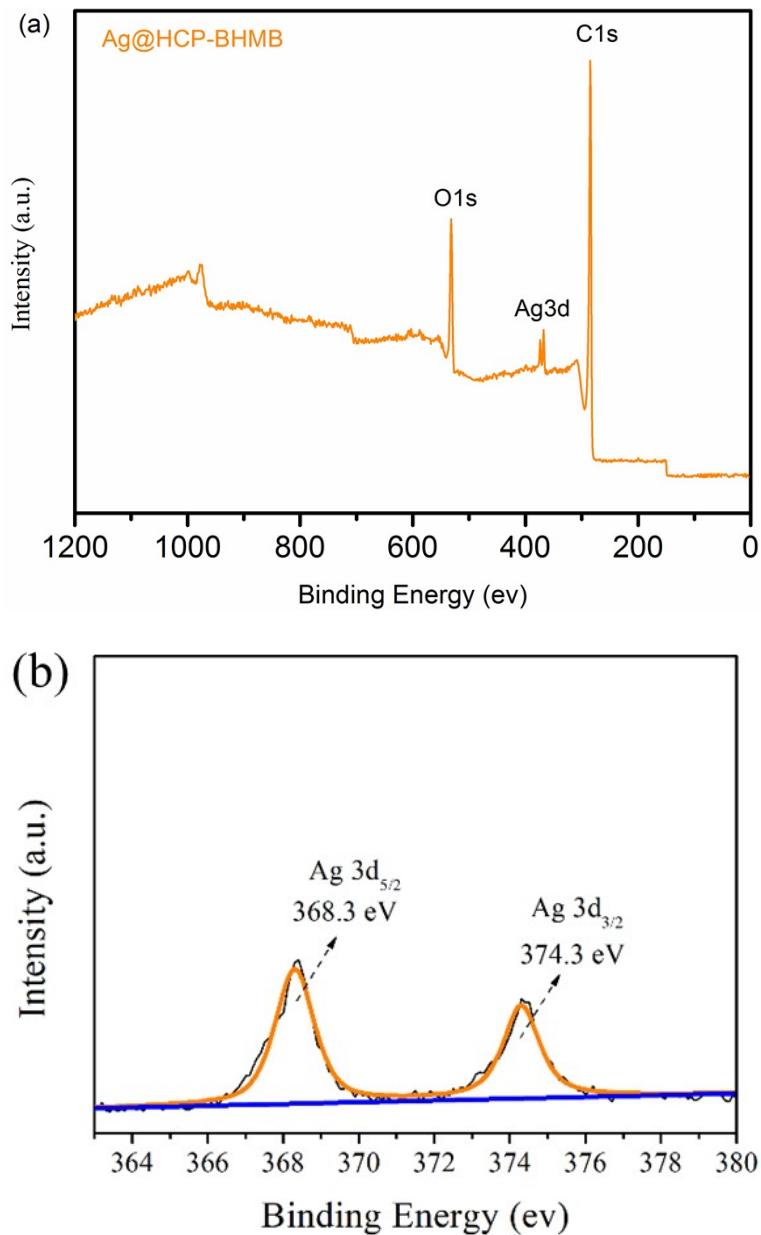


Fig. S7 XPS analysis of Ag@HCP-BHMB. (a) Survey scan of Ag@HCP-BHMB and (b) high-resolution Ag 3d XP spectra of Ag@HCP-BHMB.

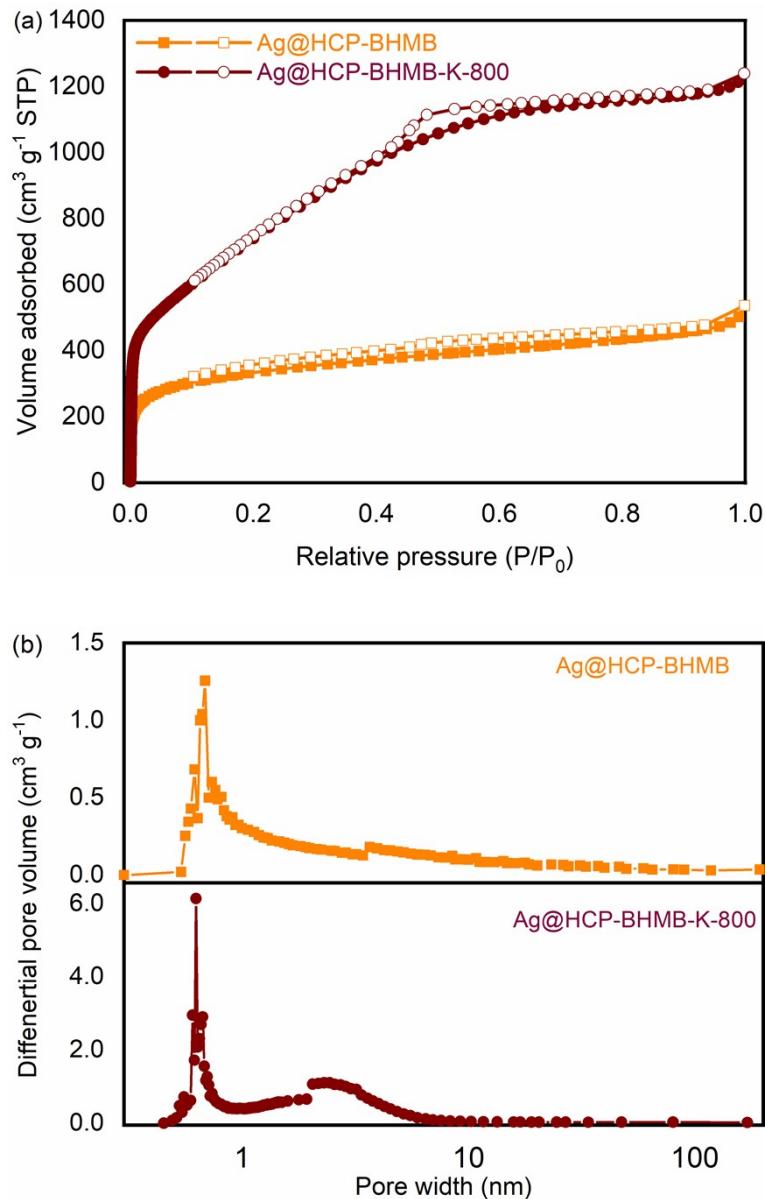


Fig. S8 (a)  $\text{N}_2$  adsorption-desorption isotherms and (b) pore size distribution curves of Ag@HCP-BHMB and Ag@HCP-BHMB-K-800.

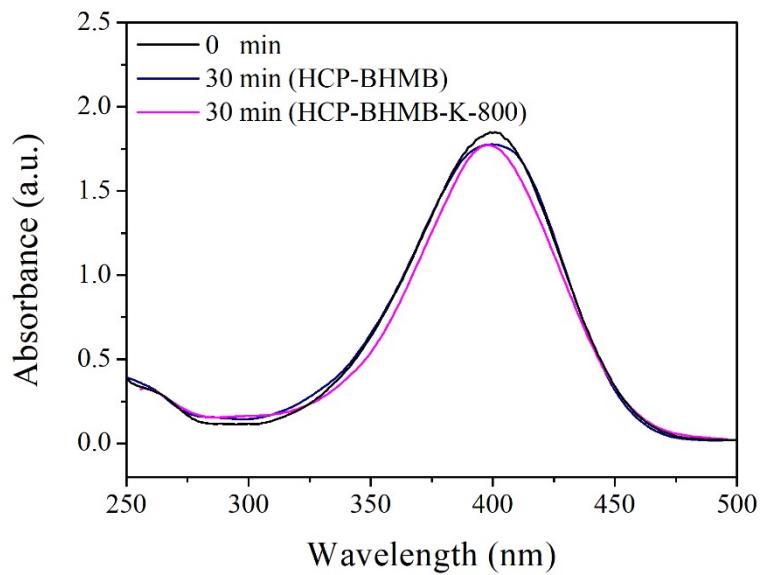


Fig. S9 Time-dependent UV-Vis absorption spectra for the reduction of 4-nitrophenol reduction with  $\text{NaBH}_4$  in the presence of HCP-BHMB and HCP-BHMB-K-800.

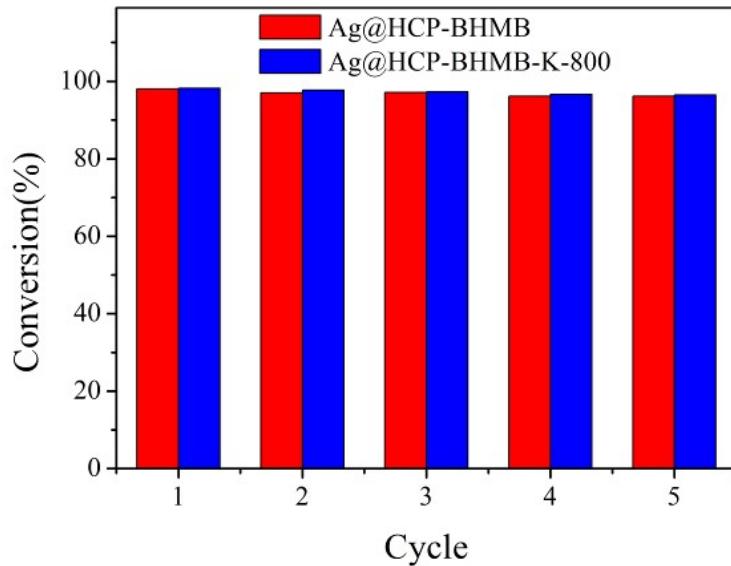


Fig. S10 Reusability of  $\text{Ag}@\text{HCP-BHMB}$  and  $\text{Ag}@\text{HCP-BHMB-K-800}$  nanocatalysts for the reduction of 4-NP by  $\text{NaBH}_4$ .

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