

# **Ion-Modulated Graphene Oxide and GO@MXene Hydrogels: Enhanced Adsorption Performance and Stability for Methylene Blue Removal**

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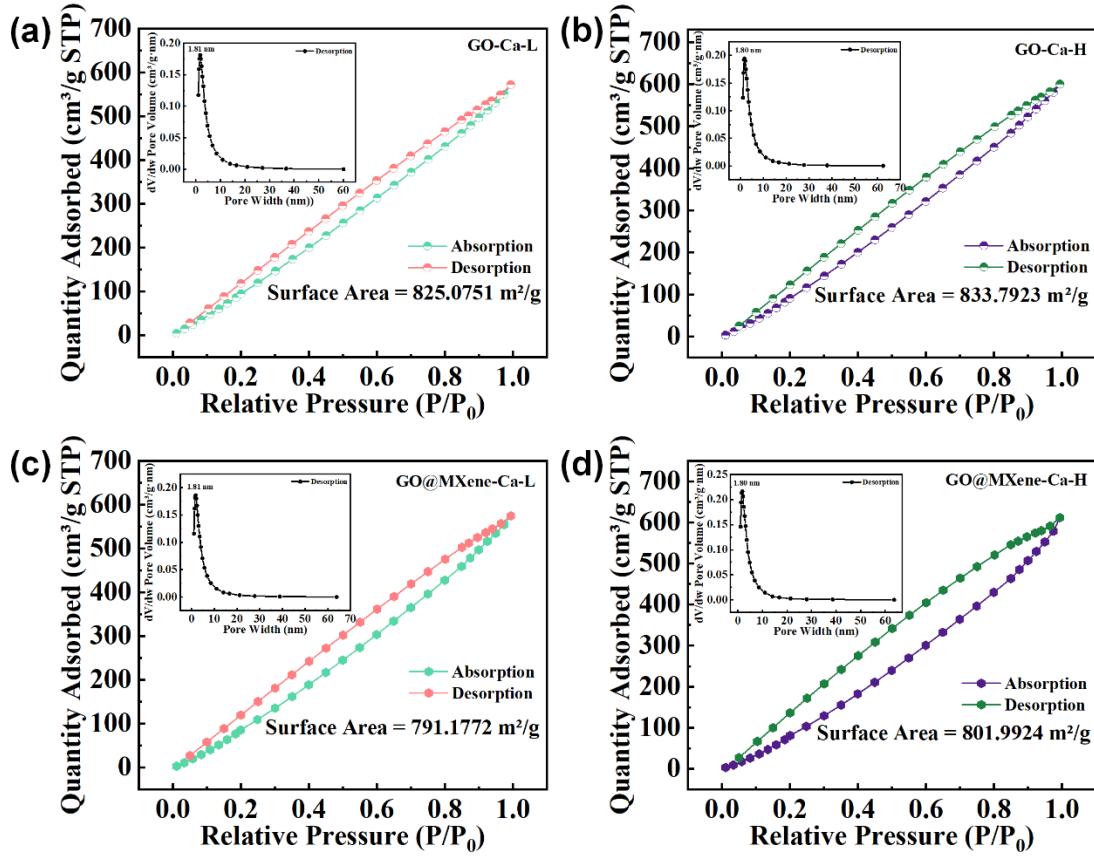
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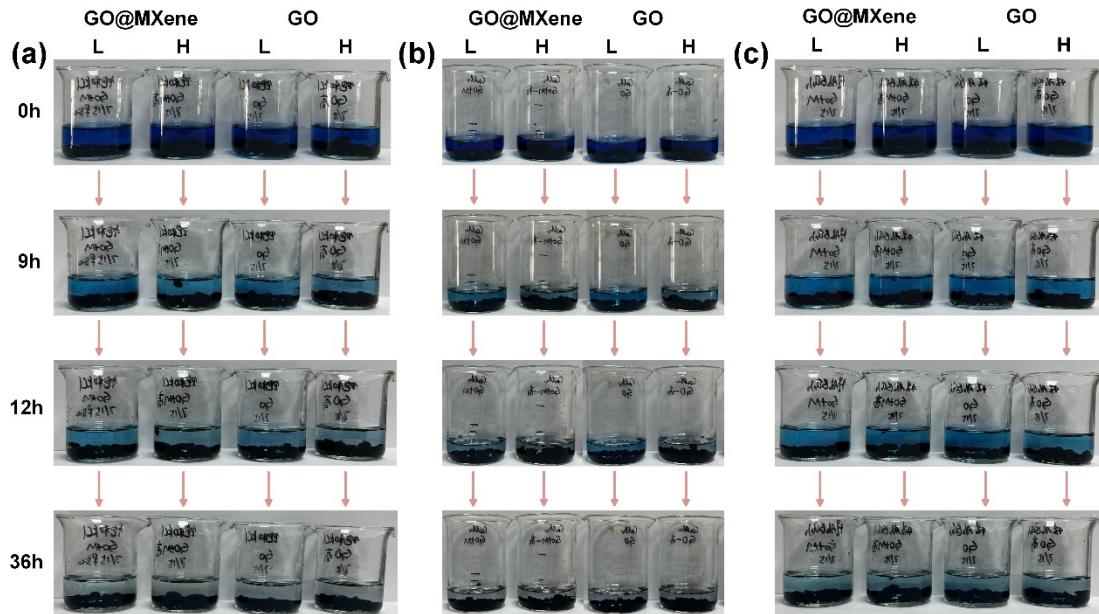
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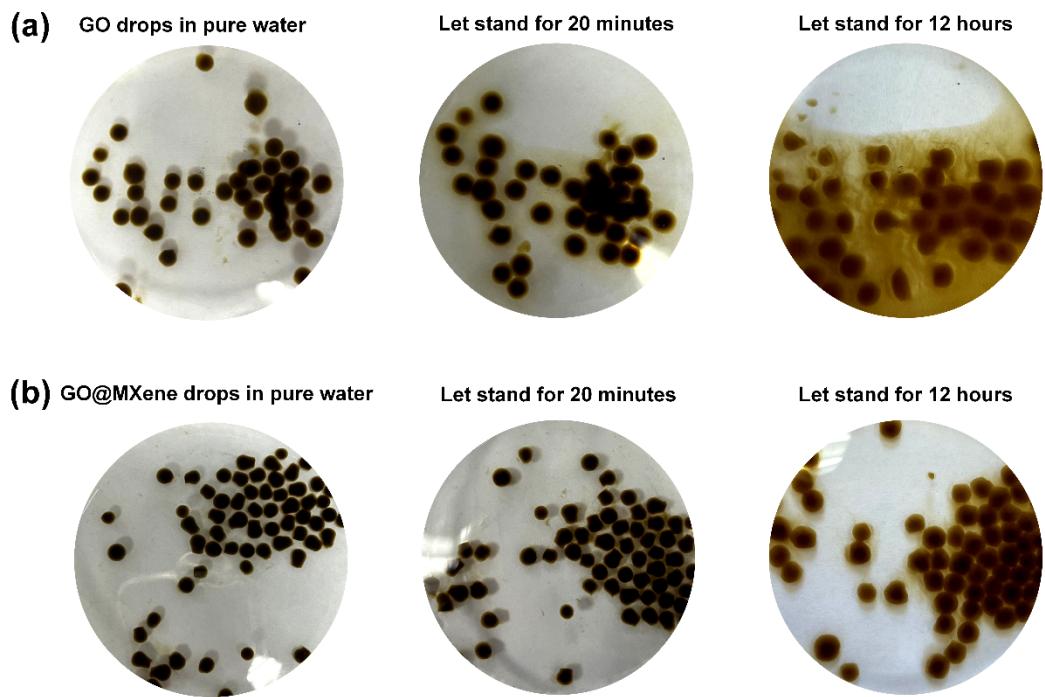
**Fig. S1-Fig. S7**



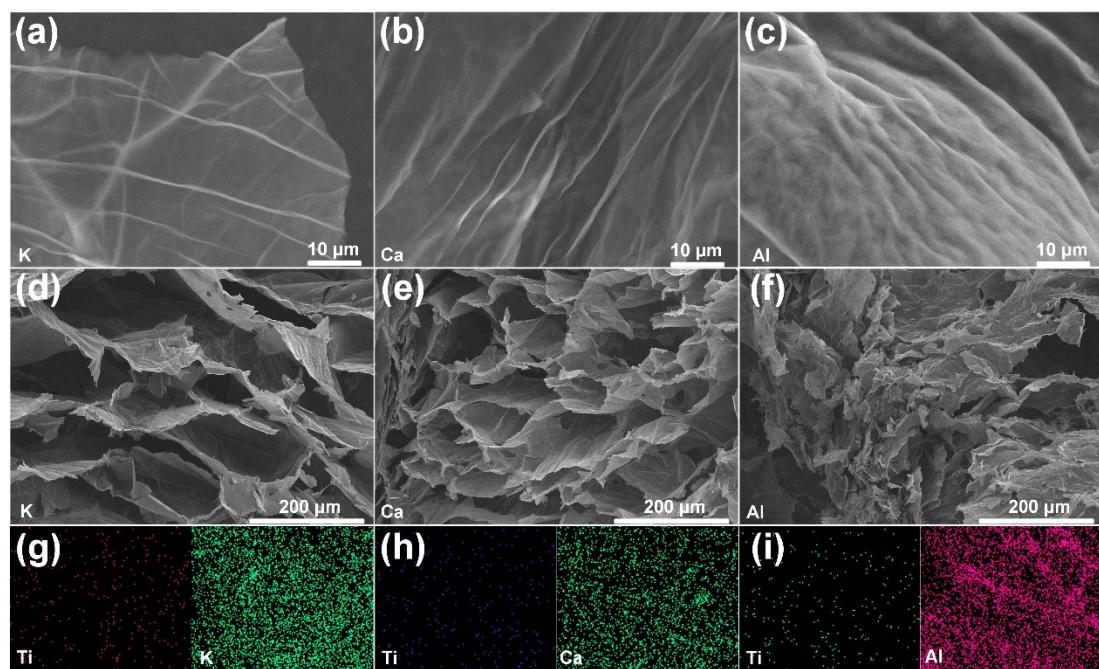
**Fig. S1.** Nitrogen adsorption and desorption profiles of ion-crosslinked GO-Ca and GO@MXene-Ca hydrogels.



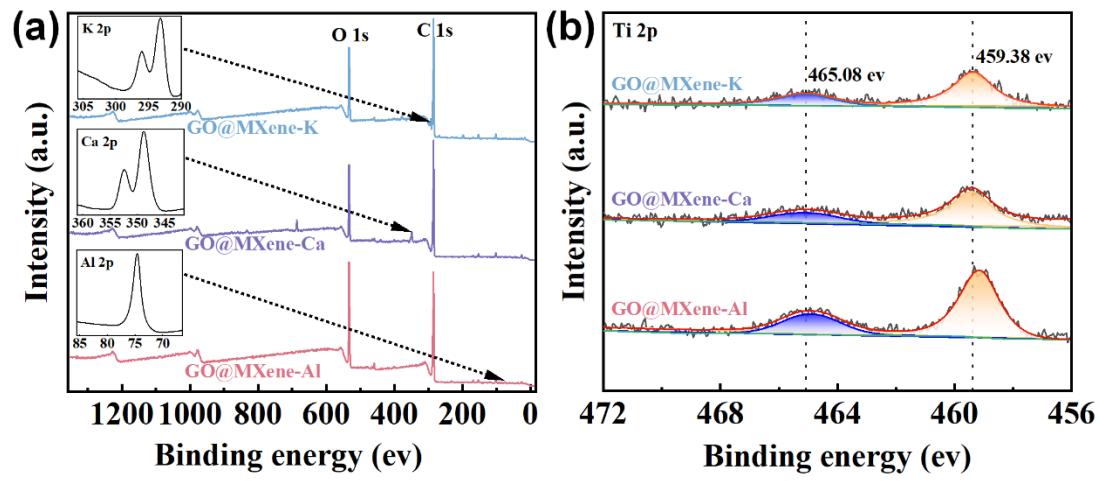
**Fig. S2.** MB adsorption experiments of hydrogels prepared at different heights. (a) K, (b) Ca, (c) Al. L indicates a preparation height of 0.5 cm and H indicates a preparation height of 3.5 cm.



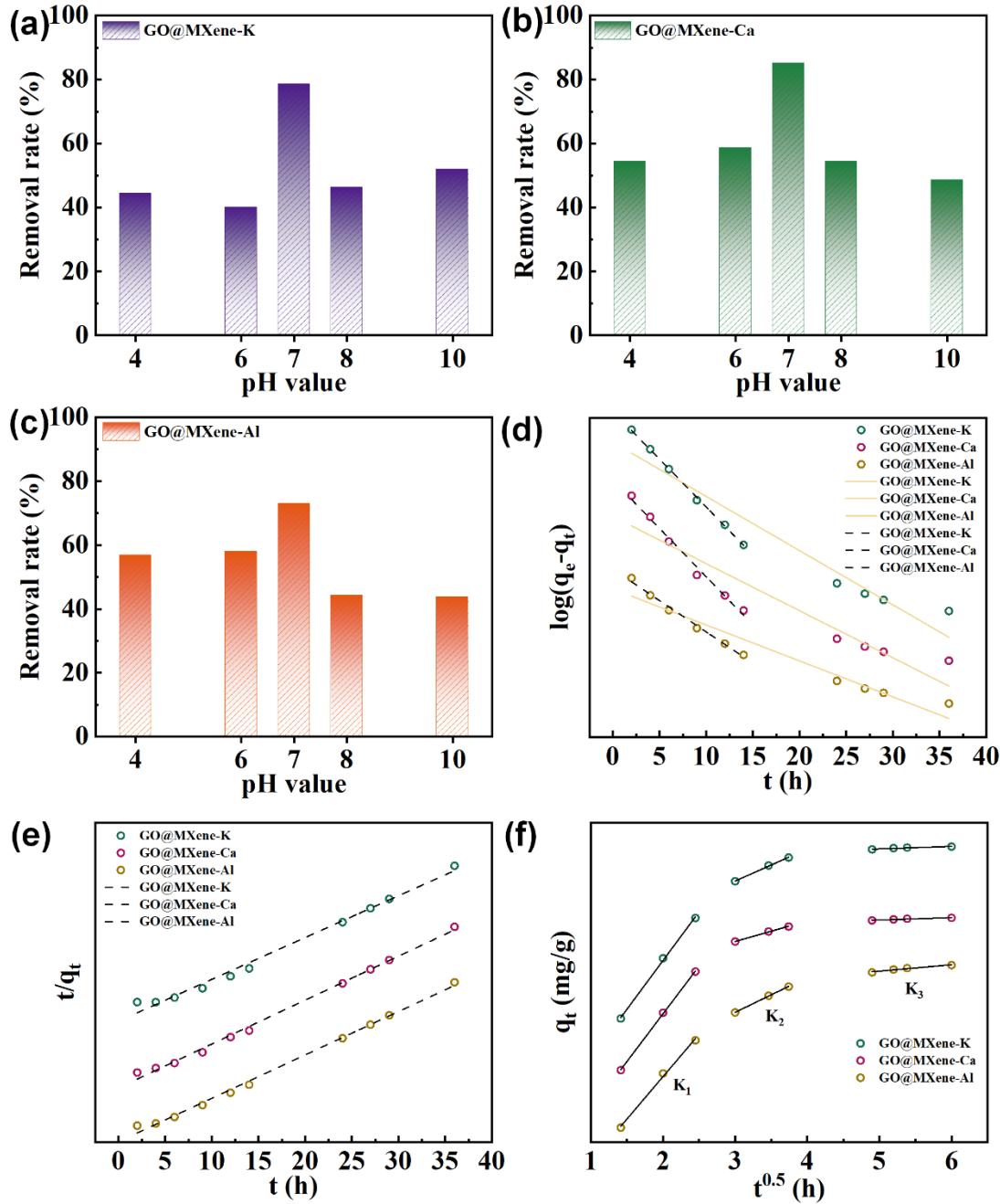
**Fig. S3.** GO hydrogels (a) and GO@MXene hydrogels (b) prepared without the introduction of ions in water.



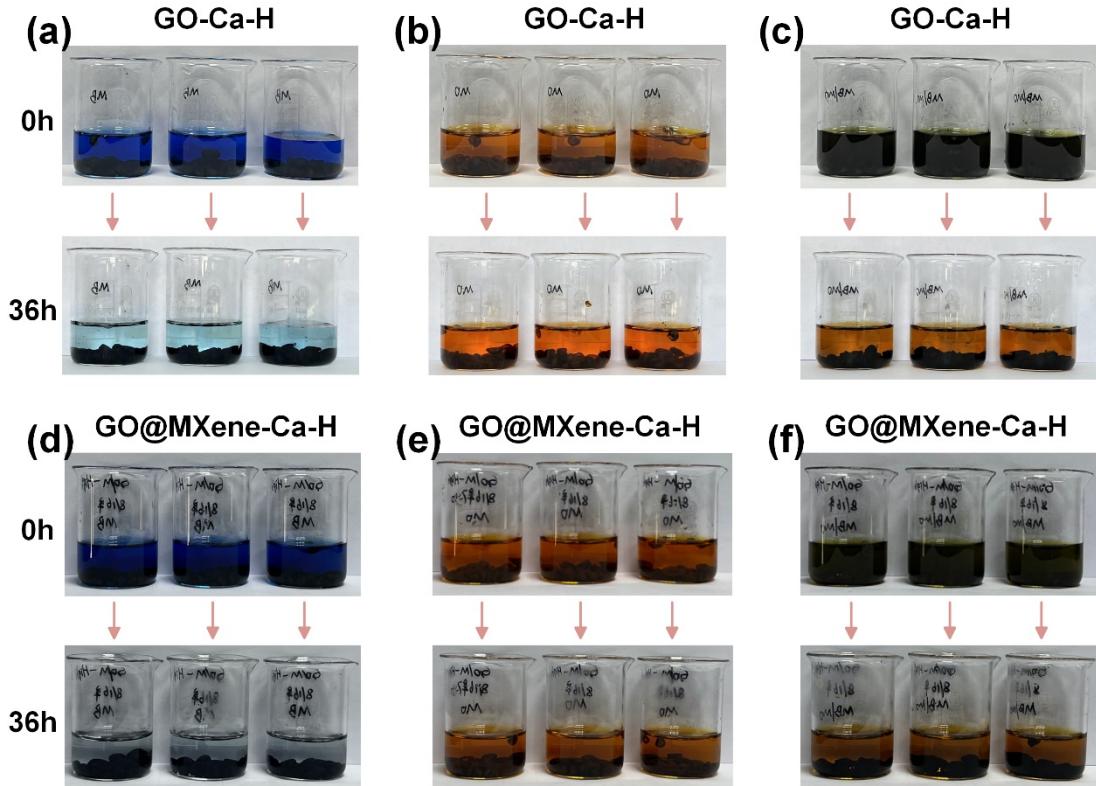
**Fig. S4.** SEM images of the surface (a–c) and cross-sectional (d–f) morphology of the GO-M hydrogel. (g–i) EDS results of GO@MXene–M hydrogels (M: K, Ca, Al).



**Fig. S5.** The XPS results of GO@MXene-M (M: K, Ca, Al).



**Fig. S6.** Effect of solution pH on MB removal by GO@MXene–M hydrogels (data for the 12 h reaction of the adsorption system) (a-c). Pseudo-first-order model (d) and Pseudo-second-order model (e) for GO@MXene-M adsorbed MB. Intraparticle diffusion model for GO@MXene-M(f) (M: K, Ca, Al).



**Fig. S7.** Adsorption experiments of cationic dye MB and anionic dye methyl orange (MO) by GO-Ca-H hydrogels (a-c) and GO@MXene-Ca-H hydrogels (d-f) in single and mixed systems. (a, d) Single system with MB. (b, e) Single system with MO. (c, f) Mixed systems containing MB and MO. H indicates a preparation height of 3.5 cm.

**Table S1- Table S3**

**Table S1.** Pore structure analysis.

Sample	BET (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g)	Pore diameter (nm)
GO@MXene-K-L	792.5920	0.884724	2.9590
GO@MXene-Ca-L	791.1772	0.882750	3.2737
GO@MXene-Al-L	873.8592	0.921423	3.6258
GO@MXene-Ca-H	801.9924	0.935954	3.0896

**Table S2.** Absorption kinetic modeling correlation coefficients for MB adsorption on ion-modulated GO@MXene hydrogels.

Absorbent	Pseudo-first-order kinetic			Pseudo-second-order kinetic			Linear relation	
	$k_1$ $\text{h}^{-1}$	$q_{e1}$ $\text{mg/g}$	$R_1^2$	$k_2$ $\text{g}/(\text{mg}\cdot\text{h})$	$q_{e2}$ $\text{mg/g}$	$R_2^2$	$R_1^2$	$R_2^2$
GO@MXene-K	0.19	99.04	0.99 5	0.0019	116.37	0.97 4	0.922	0.988
GO@MXene-Ca	0.23	97.85	0.99 8	0.0026	111.69	0.97 8	0.873	0.995
GO@MXene-Al	0.18	93.78	0.99 9	0.0019	110.65	0.99 1	0.930	0.995

**Table S3.** Parameters for modeling intraparticle diffusion for MB adsorption on ion-modulated GO@MXene hydrogels.

Absorbent	Stage I			Stage II			Stage III		
	$K_1$	$C_1$	$R_1^2$	$K_2$	$C_2$	$R_2^2$	$K_3$	$C_3$	$R_3^2$
GO@MXene-K	41. 2	-32.45 97	0.9 97	13. 57	42. 85	0.99 6	1.04 99	91. 99	0.88 99
GO@MXene-Ca	40. 34	-23.54 99	0.9 99	8.6 9	61. 67	0.99 6	0.99 88	91. 88	0.91 88
GO@MXene-Al	35. 84	-24.10 92	0.9 92	14. 80	30. 38	0.99 9	2.69 74	78. 74	0.95 74