

Sustainable Production of ZnO Nanoparticles via *Capparis* *Decidua* Stem Extract for Efficient Photocatalytic Rh 6G Dye Degradation

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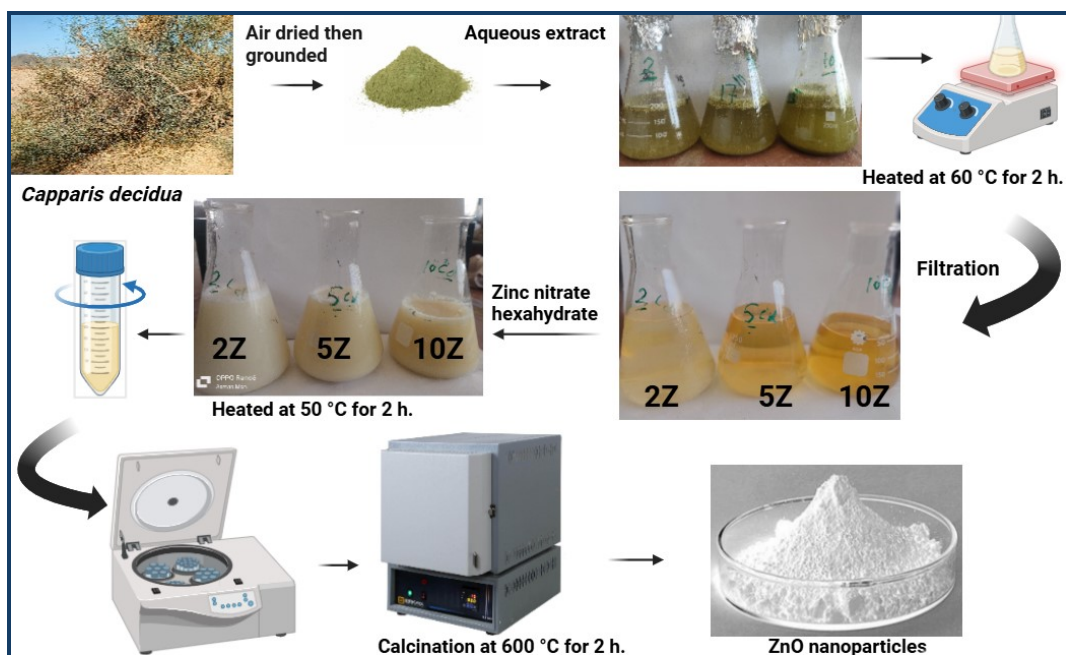


Fig. S1 Schematic illustration for the green synthesis of ZnO NPs.

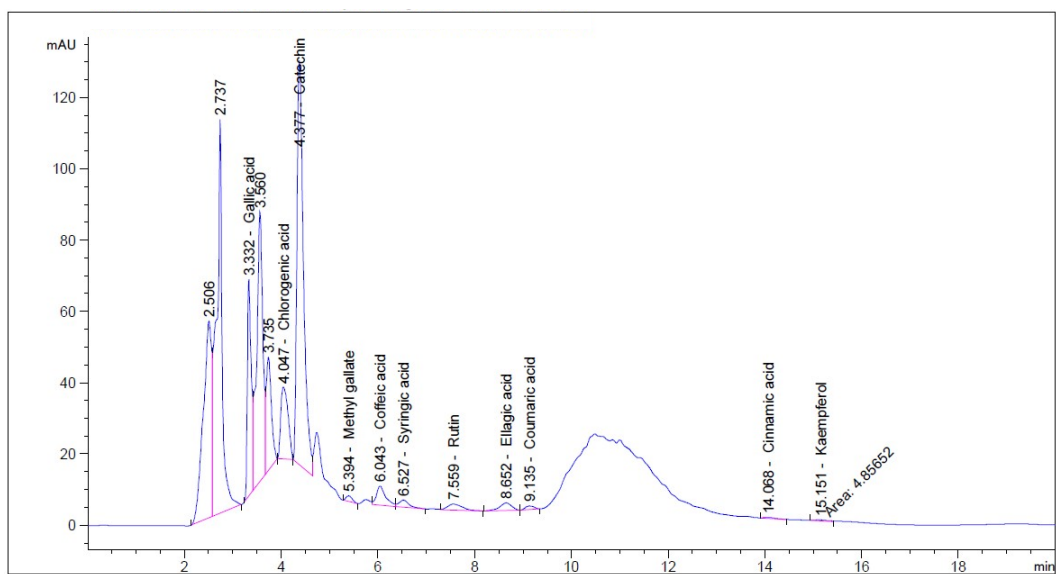


Figure S2. HPLC chromatogram of the *Capparis Decidua* extract.

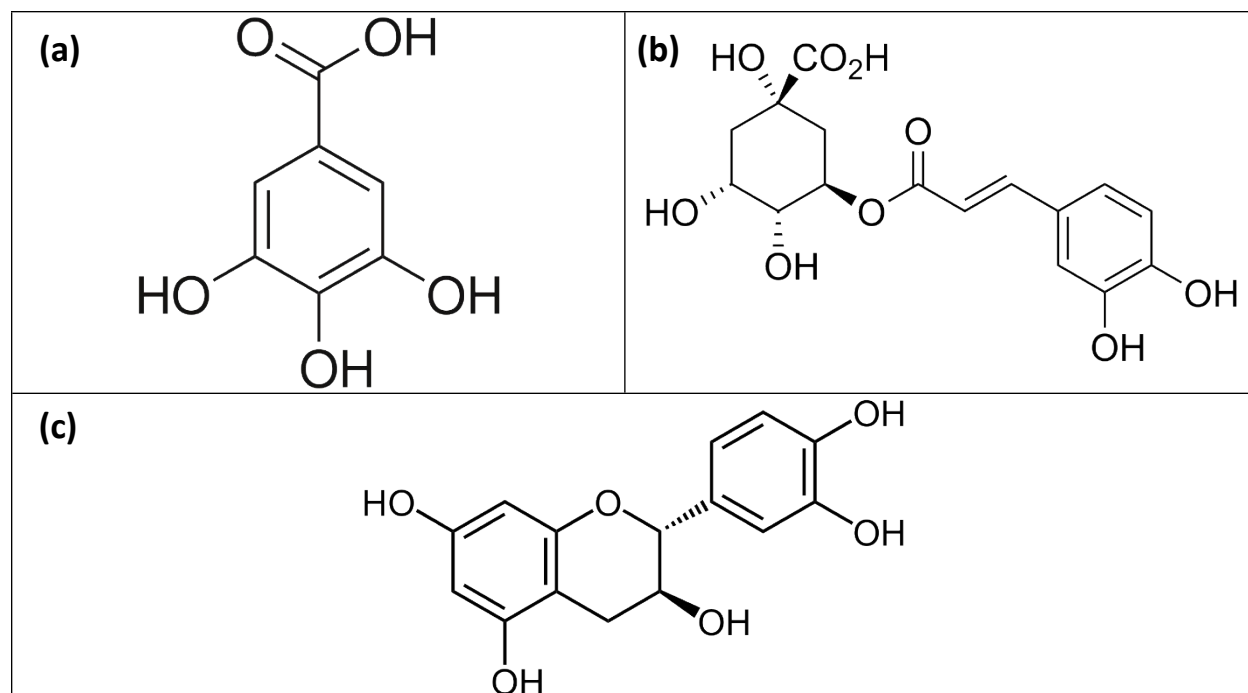


Figure S3. Chemical structure of a) Gallic acid, b) Chlorogenic acid, and c) Catechin.

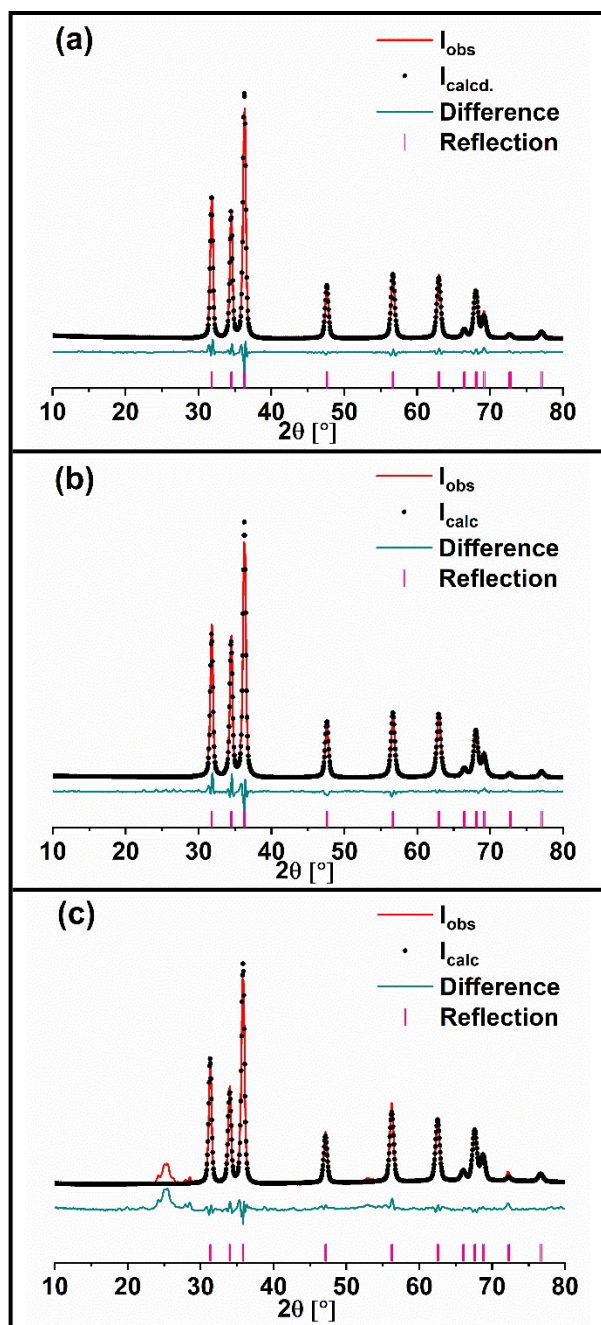


Fig. S4 Rietveld analysis for the XRD patterns of the three ZnO samples prepared using different plant extract concentrations: a) 2Z, b) 5Z and c) 10Z.

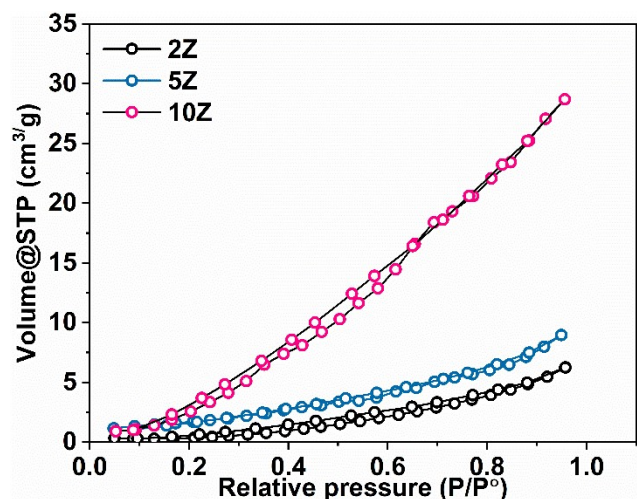


Fig. S5 Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms of ZnO NPs prepared using different plant extracts.

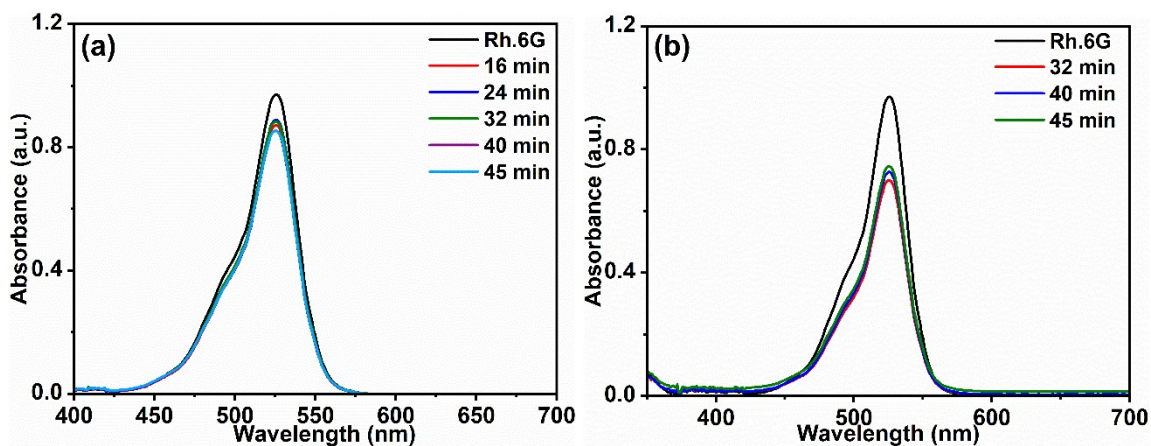


Fig. S6 UV-Vis spectra of a) Rh 6G subjected to sunlight for 45 min, and b) dark part experiment for Rh 6G removal using 50 mg ZnO NPs.

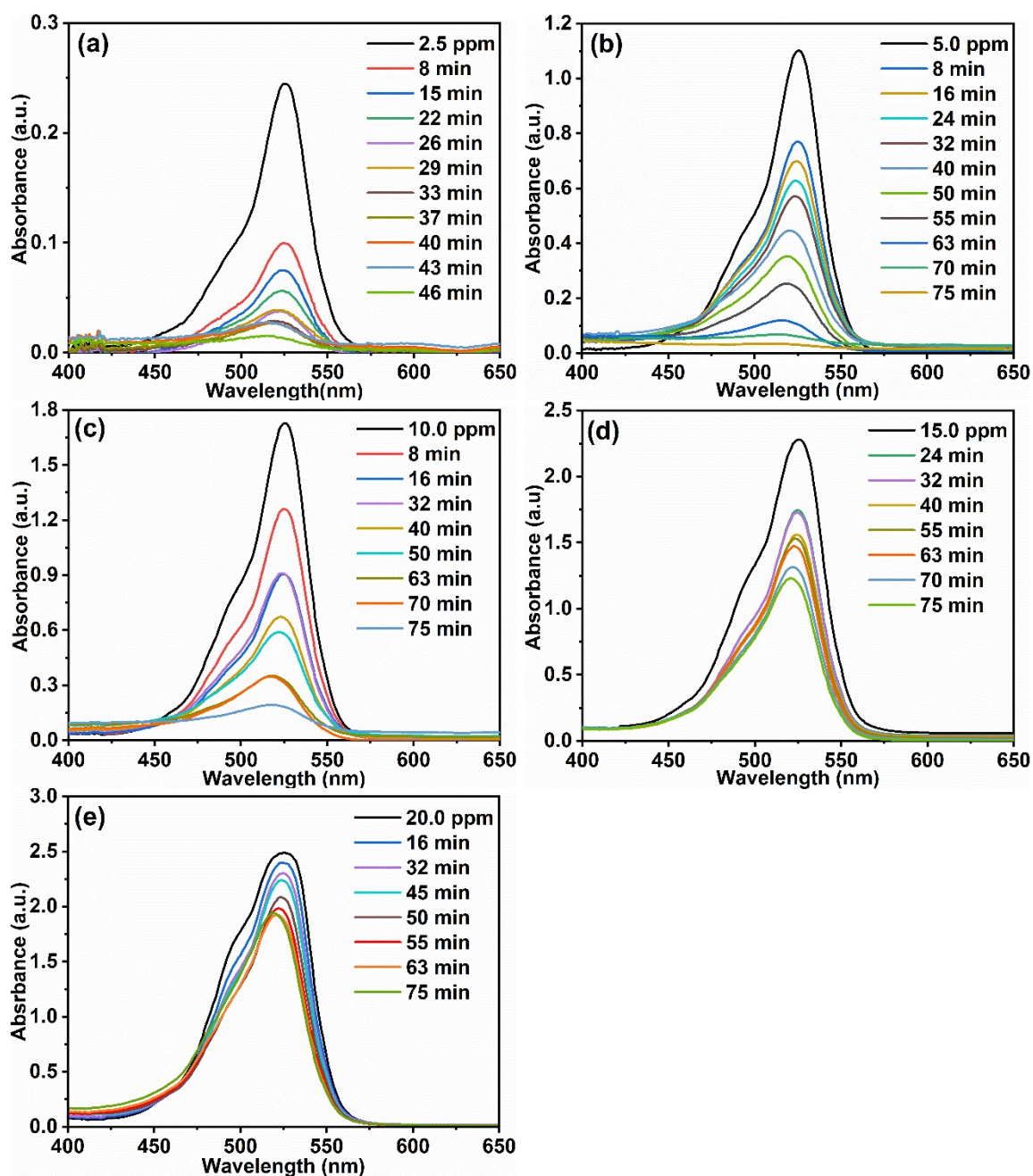


Fig. S7 Uv-Vis spectra showing the effect of dye concentration on the degradation of 50 mL Rh 6G while using 50 mg of ZnO NPs (sample 2Z) as photocatalyst.

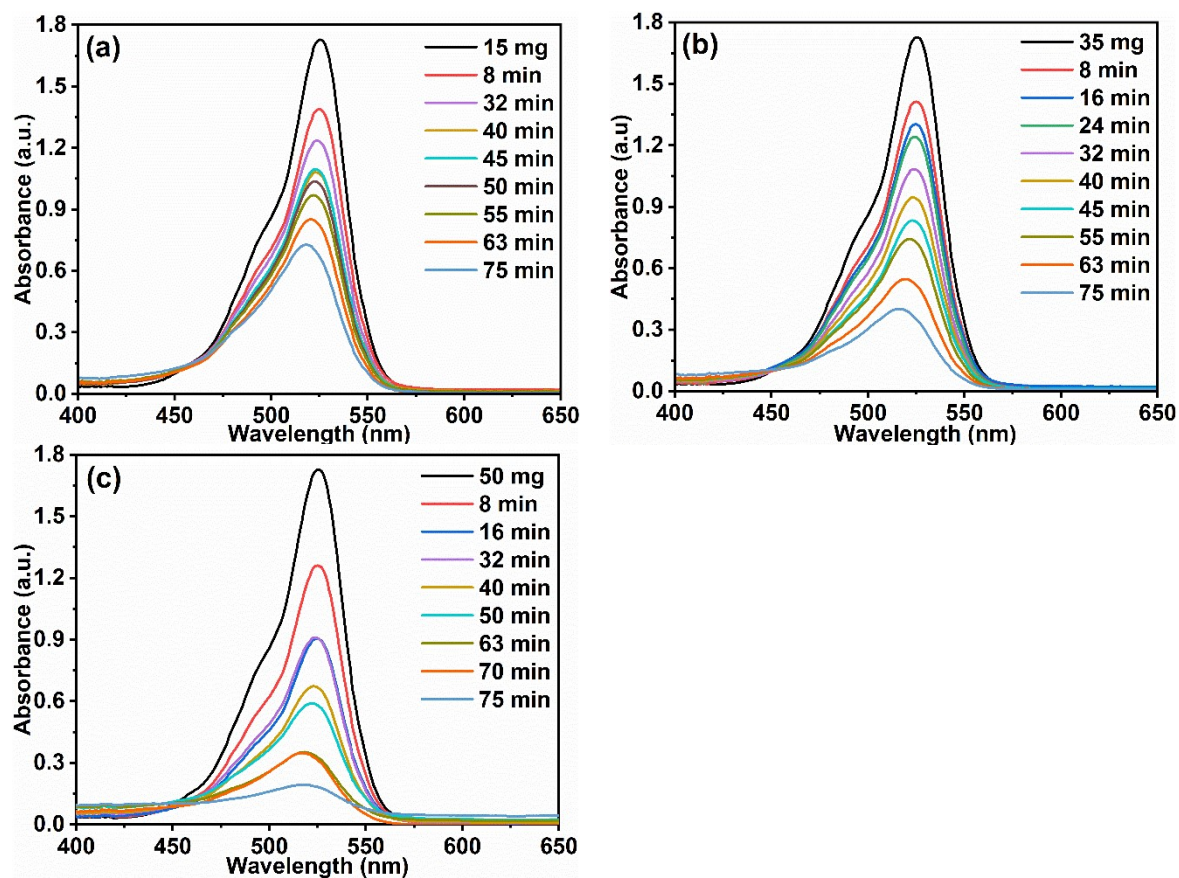


Fig. S8 Uv-Vis spectra showing the effect of ZnO NPs (sample **2Z**) dose on the photocatalytic degradation of 50 mL Rh 6G (10.0 ppm).

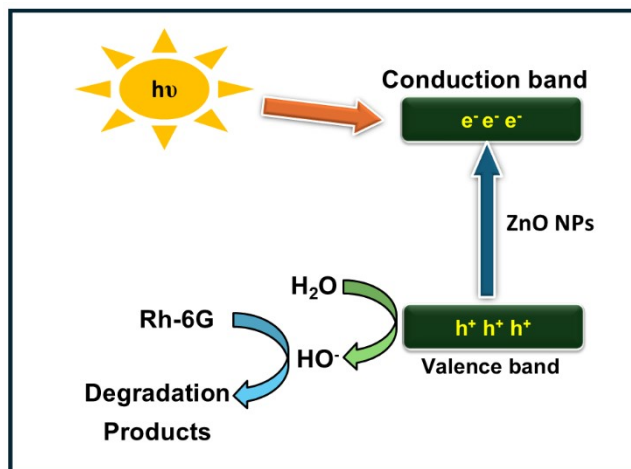


Fig. S9 Production of hydroxyl radical ($^\bullet OH$) occurs in aqueous medium.