

**ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**PVP stabilized Pt nano particles catalyzed de-oxygenation of  
phenoxazine group by hydrazine in physiological buffer media:  
surfactant competes with reactants for the same surface sites**

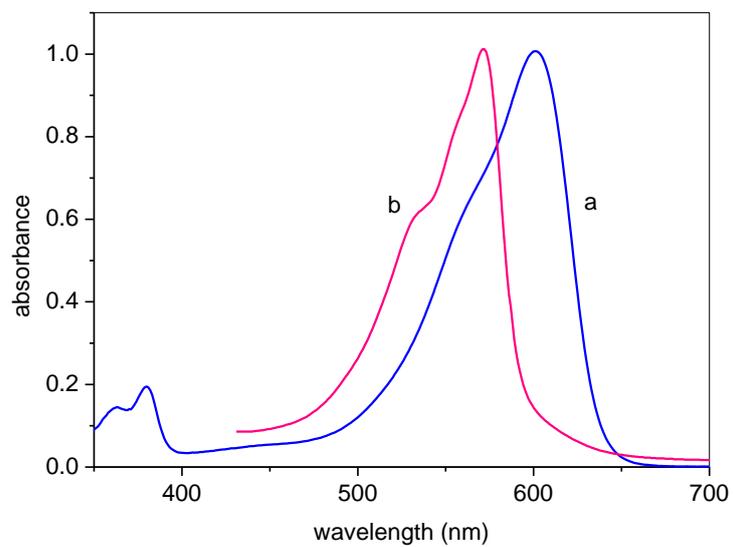
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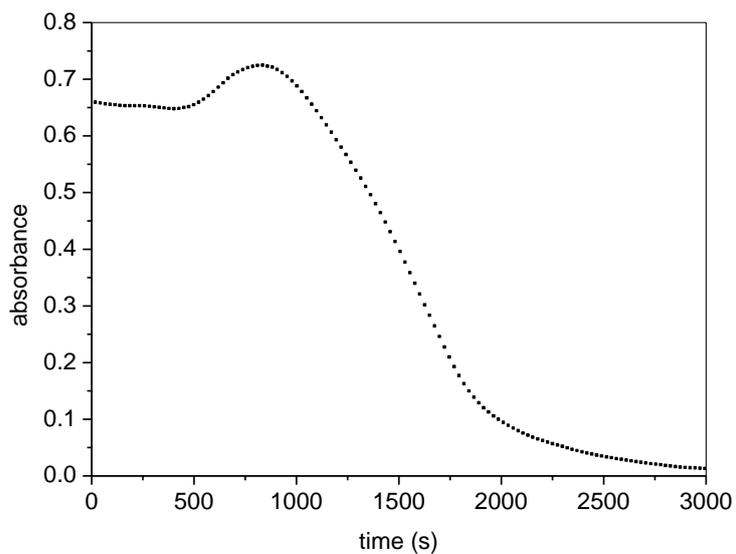
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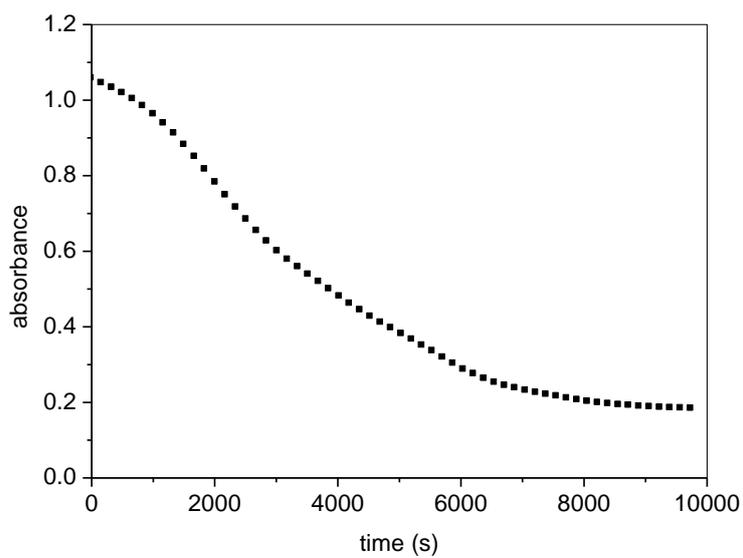


**Fig. S1:** UV-VIS spectra of resazurin (a) and resorufin (b) in phosphate buffer media (pH = 7.0).

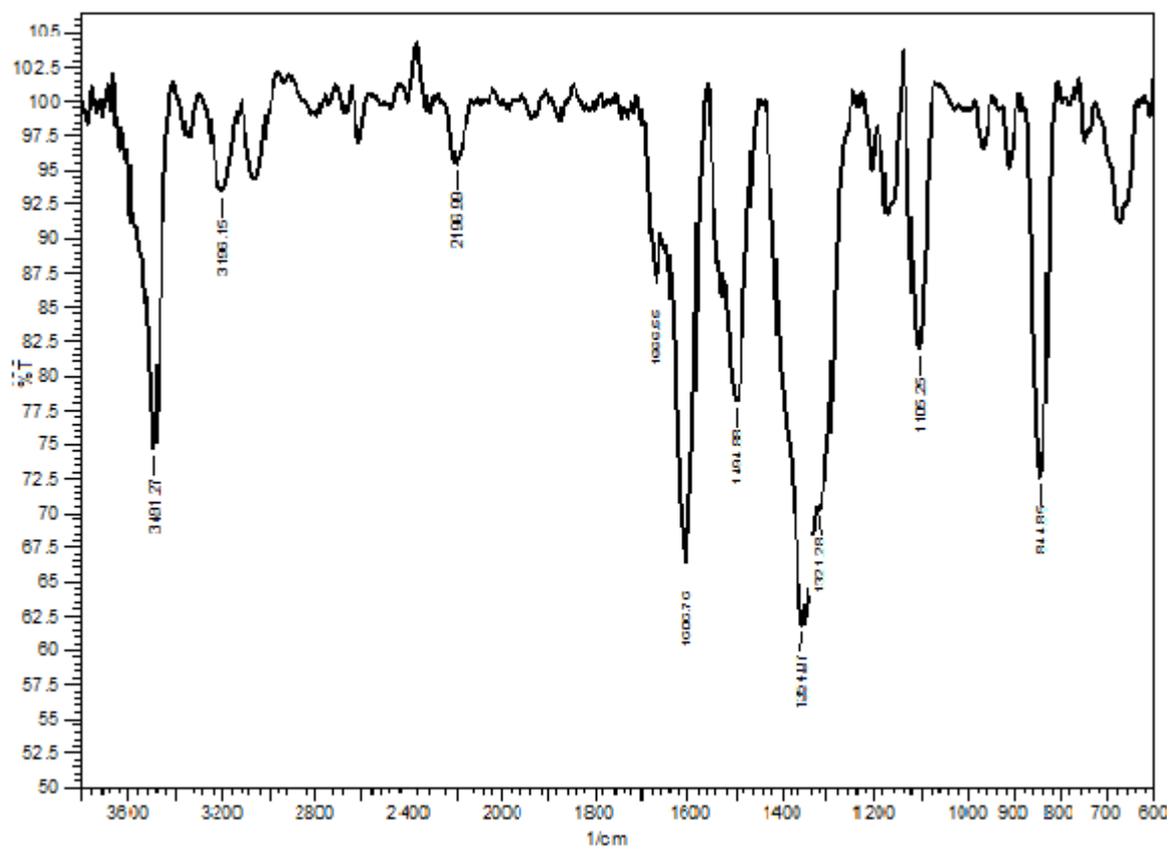


**Fig. S2:** Formation and then PNP catalyzed reduction of resorufin by hydrazine at 572 nm.

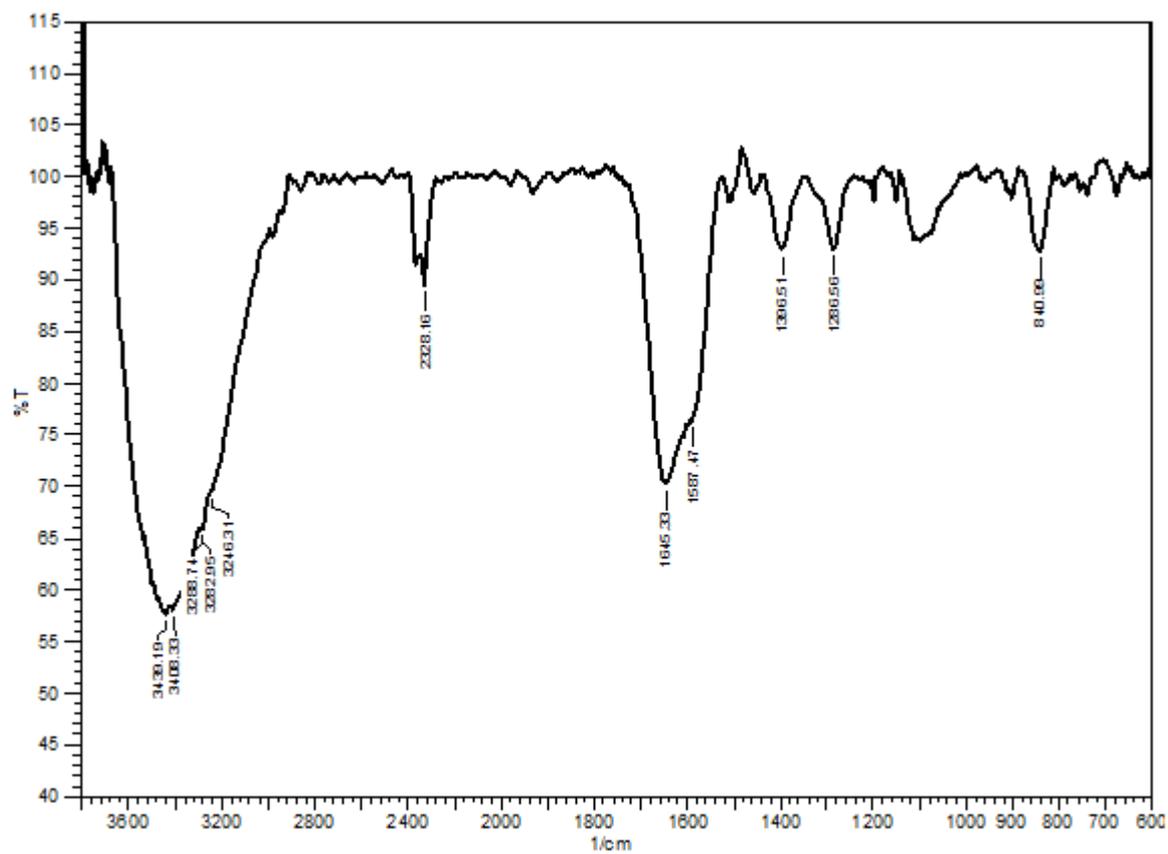
Condition: [1] = 0.025 mM; [Hydrazine] = 5.0 mM; [PNP] =  $5.46 \times 10^{-11}$  M;  $\mu$  = 0.25 M; pH = 7.0; T =  $25.0 \pm 0.1$  °C.



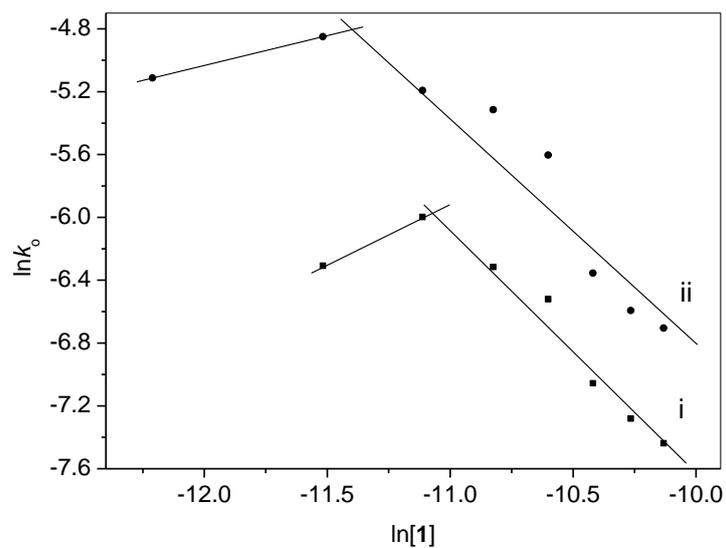
**Fig. S3:** Uncatalyzed reduction of **1** by hydrazine. Condition: [**1**] = 0.025 mM; [Hydrazine] = 5.0 mM;  $\mu$  = 0.25 M; pH = 7.0; T = 25.0  $\pm$  0.1  $^{\circ}$ C.



**Fig. S4:** FTIR spectrum of **1**.



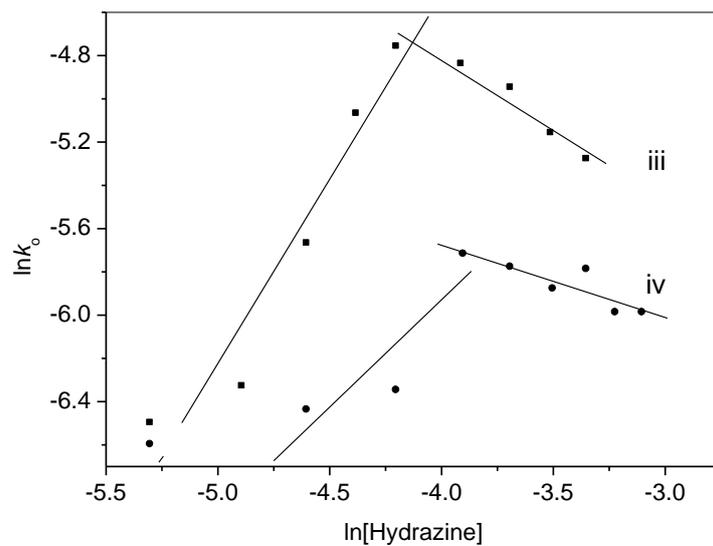
**Fig. S5:** FTIR spectrum of PNP-1.



**Fig. S6:** The slopes of  $\ln k_0$  vs.  $\ln[1]$  plots at different constant [Hydrazine] values gives the exponent  $\alpha$  values. Condition:

(i). [Hydrazine] = 5.0 mM; [PNP] =  $5.46 \times 10^{-11}$  M;  $\mu = 0.25$  M; pH = 7.0;  $T = 25.0 \pm 0.1$  °C.

(ii). [Hydrazine] = 10.0 mM; [PNP] =  $5.46 \times 10^{-11}$  M;  $\mu = 0.25$  M; pH = 7.0;  $T = 25.0 \pm 0.1$  °C.



**Fig. S7:** From the slopes of  $\ln k_0$  vs.  $\ln[\text{Hydrazine}]$  plots at different constant  $[\mathbf{1}]$ , the exponent  $\beta$  values are obtained. Condition:

(iii).  $[\mathbf{1}] = 0.025 \text{ mM}$ ;  $[\text{PNP}] = 5.46 \times 10^{-11} \text{ M}$ ;  $\mu = 0.25 \text{ M}$ ;  $\text{pH} = 7.0$ ;  $T = 25.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .

(iv).  $[\mathbf{1}] = 0.04 \text{ mM}$ ;  $[\text{PNP}] = 5.46 \times 10^{-11} \text{ M}$ ;  $\mu = 0.25 \text{ M}$ ;  $\text{pH} = 7.0$ ;  $T = 25.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Table S1:** Variation of  $k_o$  with [1] at fixed [Hydrazine] and [PNP].<sup>a</sup>

[1] (mM)	$10^3 k_o$ (s <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>A</sup>	$10^3 k_o$ (s <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>B</sup>
0.005	-	5.97
0.010	1.81	7.76
0.015	2.46	5.51
0.020	1.79	4.87
0.025	1.50	3.65
0.030	0.86	1.72
0.035	0.68	1.36
0.040	0.58	1.21

<sup>a</sup> In A and B, [Hydrazine] was 5.0 mM (A) and 10.0 mM (B) respectively. Condition: [PNP] =  $5.46 \times 10^{-11}$  M;  $\mu = 0.25$  M; pH = 7.0; T =  $25.0 \pm 0.1$  °C.

**Table S2:** Variation of  $k_o$  with [Hydrazine] at fixed [1] and [PNP].<sup>b</sup>

[Hydrazine] (mM)	$10^3 k_o (s^{-1})^A$	$10^3 k_o (s^{-1})^B$
5.0	1.50	1.35
7.5	1.78	-
10.0	3.42	1.59
12.5	6.23	-
15.0	8.56	1.74
20.0	7.91	3.27
25.0	7.10	3.09
30.0	5.70	2.78
35.0	5.07	3.05
40.0	-	2.50
45.0	-	2.48

<sup>b</sup> In A and B, [1] was 0.025 mM and 0.040 mM respectively keeping the other conditions same. Condition: [PNP] =  $5.46 \times 10^{-11}$  M;  $\mu$  = 0.25 M; pH = 7.0; T =  $25.0 \pm 0.1$  °C.

**Table S3:** Variation  $k_o$  with [PNP].

$10^{11}$ [PNP] (ML <sup>-1</sup> )	[PVP] (%)	$10^3 k_o$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	$10^3 k_o$ (s <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>c</sup>
5.46	0.0006	1.50	0.83
8.19	0.0009	1.67	1.14
10.92	0.0012	1.86	1.72
13.65	0.0015	2.04	2.01
16.38	0.0018	2.39	2.56

<sup>c</sup> At large excess of [PVP] = 0.01%, compensated by extra addition of [PVP].

**Table S4:** Representative values of  $k_o$  at different [PVP].

$10^3[\text{PVP}]$ (%) <sup>*</sup>	$10^3k_o$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )
7.0	0.82
13.4	0.64
19.8	0.56
26.2	0.46
32.6	0.38
39.0	0.33

<sup>\*</sup>[PVP] contributed by [PNP] (0.0006%) has been considered also. Condition: [1] = 0.025 mM; [Hydrazine] = 5.0 mM; [PNP] =  $5.46 \times 10^{-11}$  M;  $\mu$  = 0.25 M; pH = 7.0; T =  $25.0 \pm 0.1$  °C.

**Table S5:** Variation of  $k_o$  values with  $[H^+]$ .

pH	$10^{-6}/[H^+]$ ( $LM^{-1}$ )	$10^3 k_o$ ( $s^{-1}$ )
6.0	1.00	0.76
6.5	3.16	1.28
7.0	10.00	1.50
7.5	31.62	4.09
8.0	100.00	8.78

**Table S6:** Exponent values are independent of temperature variation.

Temperature (K)	298	303	308	313
$\beta$ (molar ratio = 200-600)	$1.13 \pm 0.5$	$1.11 \pm 0.14$	$1.05 \pm 0.02$	$1.3 \pm 0.08$

**Table S7:** Representative data of  $\ln k_0$  at different temperature.

$10^3/T$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	3.47	3.41	3.35	3.3	3.24	3.19
$\ln k_0$	-7.90	-6.80	-6.50	-5.75	-5.49	-5.24

### Explanation of effects of surface restructuring on $k_0$ :

Surface restructuring of platinum surface is an unavoidable process and it includes both the spontaneous as well as adsorbate induced restructuring. The induction period  $t_0$  of the catalyzed reaction appears due to this very phenomenon and  $1/t_0$  can be treated as the rate of restructuring.<sup>1,2</sup> It includes both of the spontaneous and reactants induced restructuring effect. We can have an idea of the extent of spontaneous restructuring ( $t_{0,sp}$ ) from plotting  $1/t_0$  against [Hydrazine] (Figure 16 in revised manuscript). The intercept of the plot gives a measure of spontaneous restructuring.<sup>1</sup> If we subtract the  $1/t_{0,sp}$  value from  $1/t_0$  and plot  $(1/t_0 - 1/t_{0,sp})$  vs. [Hydrazine], the resulting graph is linear and it passes through the origin (Fig. 17 in revised manuscript). Figure 17 demonstrates the only effect of adsorbate induced restructuring which increase linearly with [Hydrazine] and passes through the origin as expected.

From figure 16, it can be noted that the rate of spontaneous surface restructuring is really small. Also recent reports show that the overall restructuring process is slow compared to the rate of the catalyzed reaction.<sup>3</sup> Moreover, in the absence of any reaction (since derived from the induction period) the change in rate of restructuring varies linearly.

Now, it can be seen that the change of rate constants ( $k_o$ ) with **1** or [Hydrazine] follows linearity (Fig. 7 and 8, both increasing or decreasing part). Supposedly, the rate constants ( $k_o$ ) include the effect of surface restructuring (however small it is). Now, if we subtract the effect of restructuring from the rate constants, the nature of the plots is supposed to be same because both the effects vary linearly. It can be realized mathematically more easily. If we represent two straight line equation,  $y_1 = m_1x + c_1$  and  $y_2 = m_2x + c_2$  representing each the nature of variation of  $k_o$  and surface restructuring, it is evident that the difference between the two will always be another equation of straight line. The sign of the slope will depend on the sign of the larger 'm' value. From the plots of  $k_o$  vs. [Hydrazine] (increasing part) and  $(1/t_0 - t_{0,sp})$  vs. [Hydrazine] it can be seen that the corresponding slopes are 0.7 and 0.1 respectively. Thus on subtraction of restructuring effect, the trends of different plots will still remain same. Since in this work we have given more emphasis on the trends of different variations, all the arguments still holds inspite of the presence of surface restructuring effects.

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