

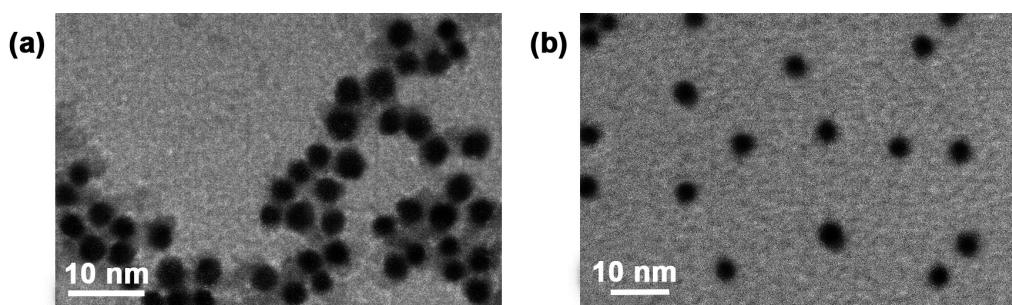
## **Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)**

### **Facile preparation of immobilized surfactant-free palladium nanocatalyst for metal hydride trapping: a novel sensing platform for TXRF analysis**

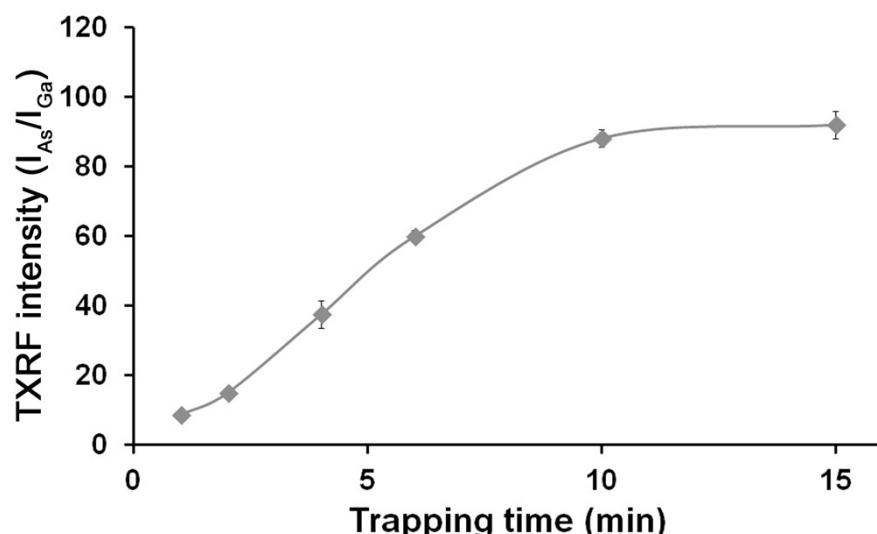
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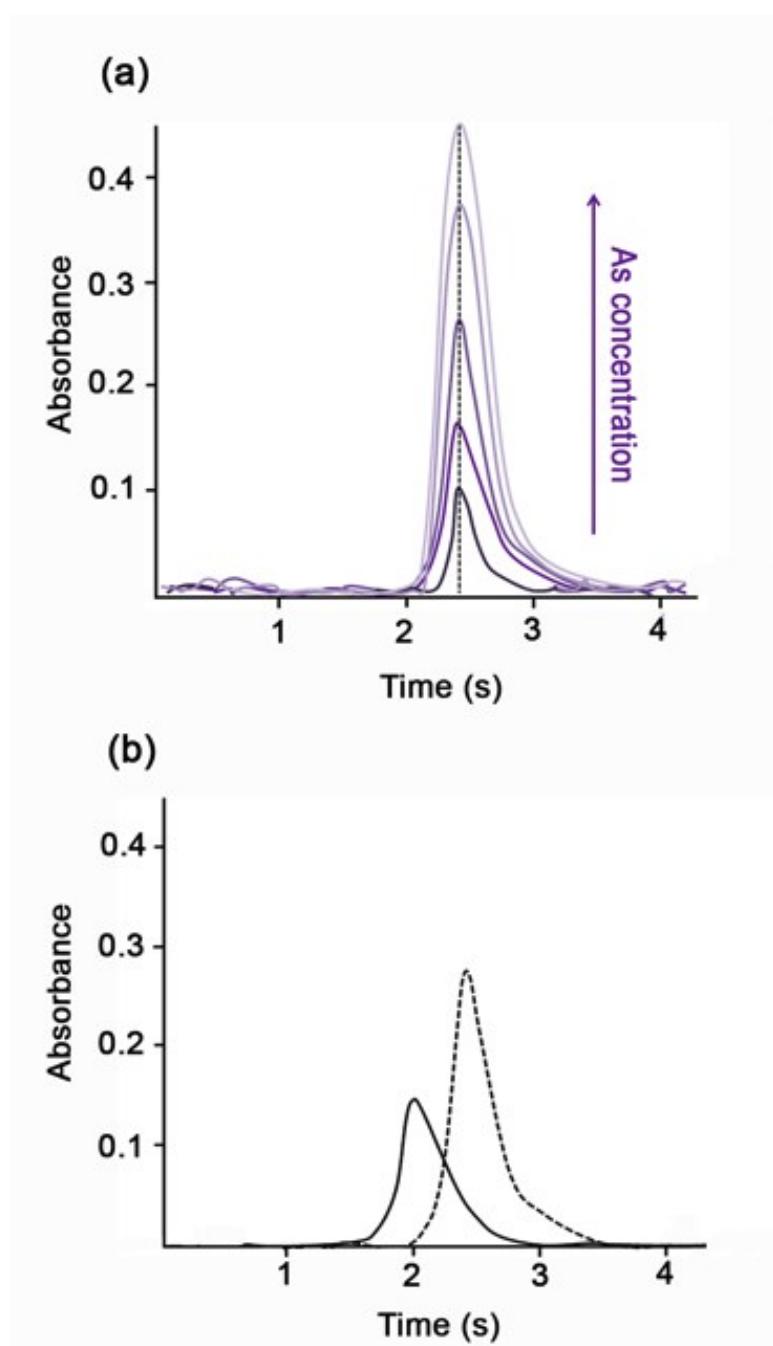
**Fig. S1** TEM images for Pd NPs synthesized using water:ethanol mixture 1:2 (v/v) (a) in the absence of MPTMS (b) in the presence of MPTMS 2 molar excess.



**Fig. S2** Effect of the trapping time on the analytical signal of the TXRF sensor



**Fig. S3** (a) Absorbance-time profiles obtained in ETAAS experiments for various initial concentrations of As ( $20 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ,  $40 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ,  $50 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ,  $70 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ,  $80 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ,  $100 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ). (b) Absorption profile of As in the absence (—) and in the presence (---) of Pd NPs.



**Fig. S4** Schematic diagram showing the sensing platform for TXRF analysis: (a) Arsenic trapping by dissociative chemisorption of AsH<sub>3</sub>; (b) Detection of the trapped arsenic.

