## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Synthesis of magnetic porous $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1 composites for efficient removal of dyes and heavy metal ions from aqueous solution

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Fig.S1 The XRD local amplification figure (7.5°-30°) of  $\gamma$  -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1.



Fig.S2 XPS survey spectrum of the as-prepared  $\gamma$ -Fe2O3/C@HKUST-1.



Fig. S3 XPS spectrum of as-prepared  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1: high-resolution Fe 2p binding energy spectrum.



Fig. S4 FT-IR spectrum of  $\gamma\text{-}Fe_2O_3/C, \gamma\text{-}Fe_2O_3/C@HKUST-1$  and HKUST-1

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Fig. S5 Raman spectrum of γ-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1 sample (red line: the integral peak, green line: the fitted curve

by Guassian type)

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Fig. S6 Plots of pseudo-second-order kinetics for the adsorption of MB (a) and Cr (VI) (b) on  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1.

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Fig. S7 Langmuir plots of the isotherms for MB (a) and Cr (VI) (b) adsorption onto different adsorbents.

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Fig. S8 Influence of pH on the adsorption of Cr (VI)

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Fig. S9 The species of Cr (VI) (obtained by running Visual MINTEQ 3.0 based on the experimental data) at different pH values of solution.

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Fig. S10 XPS spectra of Cr 2p on the  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1 surface after sorption.

Pollutants	C <sub>0</sub> /mg L <sup>-1</sup>	$q_e$ (exp)/mg g <sup>-1</sup>	Pseudo-second-order kinetic model			
			$q_e$ (cal)/mg g <sup>-1</sup>	k <sub>2</sub> /g mg <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	
MB	400	198.5	204.1	5.80 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.999	
	200	100	101.0	$6.35 \times 10^{-3}$	0.999	
	100	48.6	50.2	$5.05 \times 10^{-3}$	0.999	
	50	23.7	25.1	5.21 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.999	
Cr (VI)	200	96.3	98.1	$2.84 \times 10^{-2}$	0.995	
	150	58.4	59.5	$4.88 \times 10^{-2}$	0.995	
	100	35.8	36.4	$7.27 \times 10^{-2}$	0.996	
	50	23.8	24.2	$1.09 \times 10^{-1}$	0.996	
Notes: C <sub>0</sub> , init	ial concentration	of MB or Cr (VI);	q <sub>e</sub> (cal), calculate	d adsorption capacity	y; q <sub>e</sub> (exp),	
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experimental adsorption capacity;  $k_2$ , pseudo-second-order kinetic constant.

Pollutants	$q_{exp} / mg g^{-1}$ –	Langmuir constants			
		Q <sub>m</sub>	K <sub>L</sub>	$\mathbb{R}^2$	
MB	370.2	400	0.07	0.999	
Cr (VI)	101.4	105	0.32	0.998	
Notes: q <sub>exp</sub> , experimental adsorption capacity; Q <sub>m</sub> , calculated adsorption capacity; K <sub>L</sub> , Langmuir constant.					

Table S2 Langmuir parameters for the adsorption of MB and Cr (VI) on γ-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/C@HKUST-1 at 303 K.