



Supplementary materials

## Magnetic carbon nanocomposites from Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> reduction and their application as Cr (VI) adsorbents

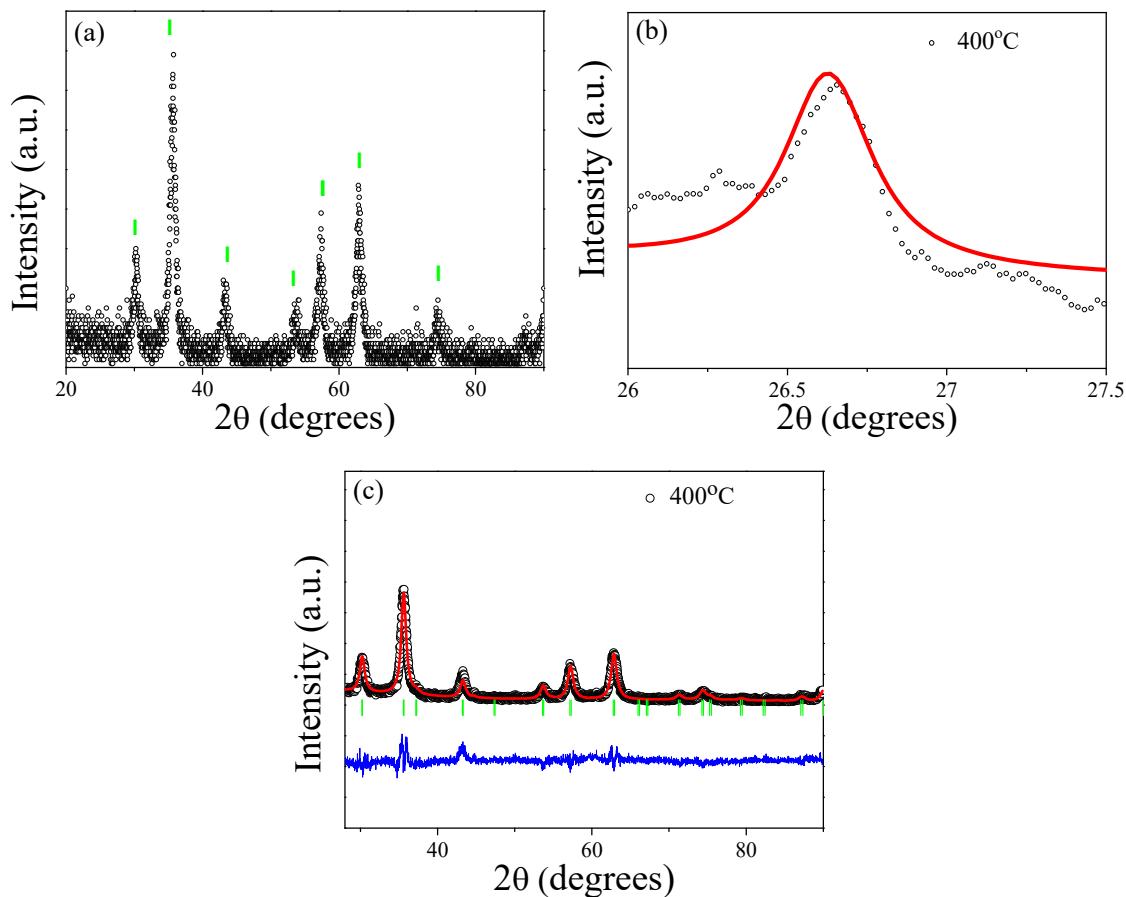
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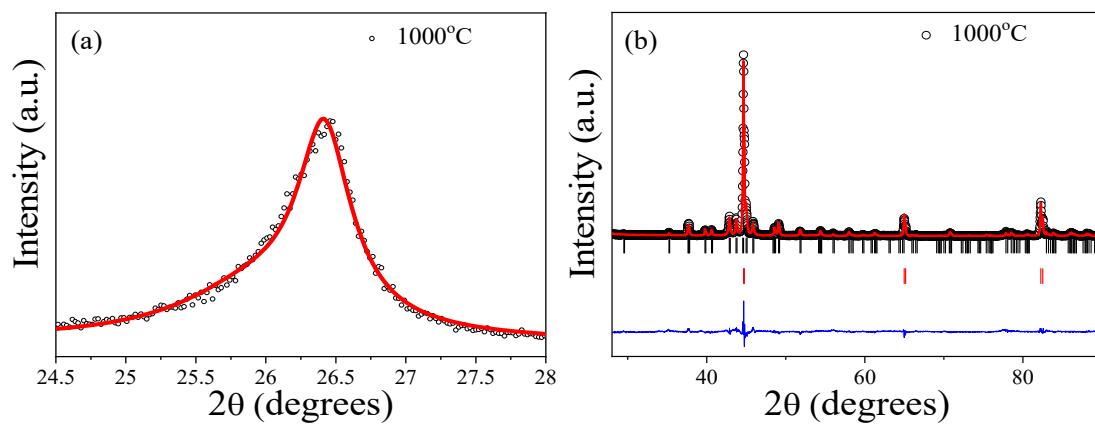
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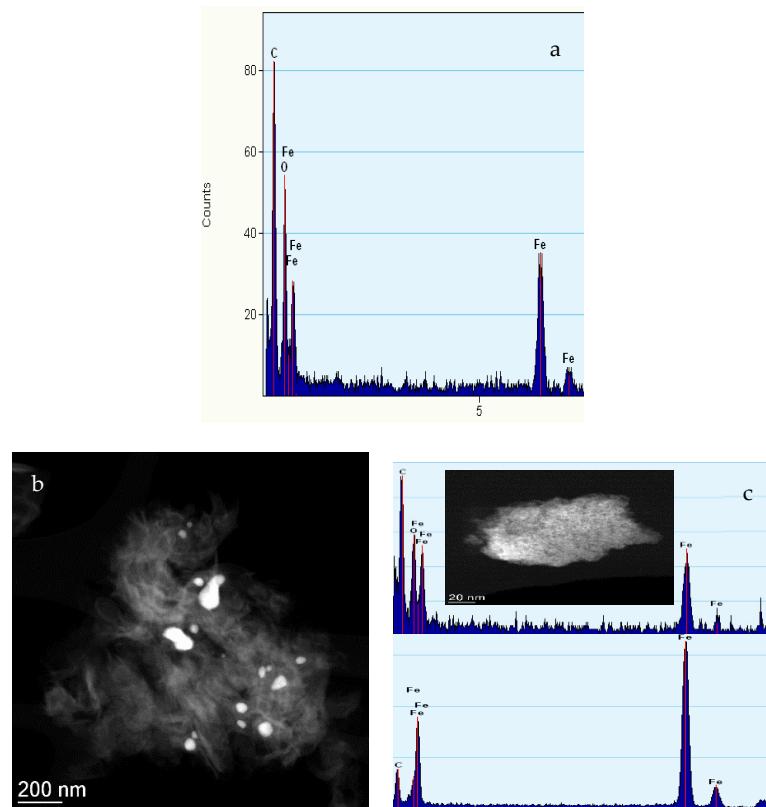
### Supplementary Figures



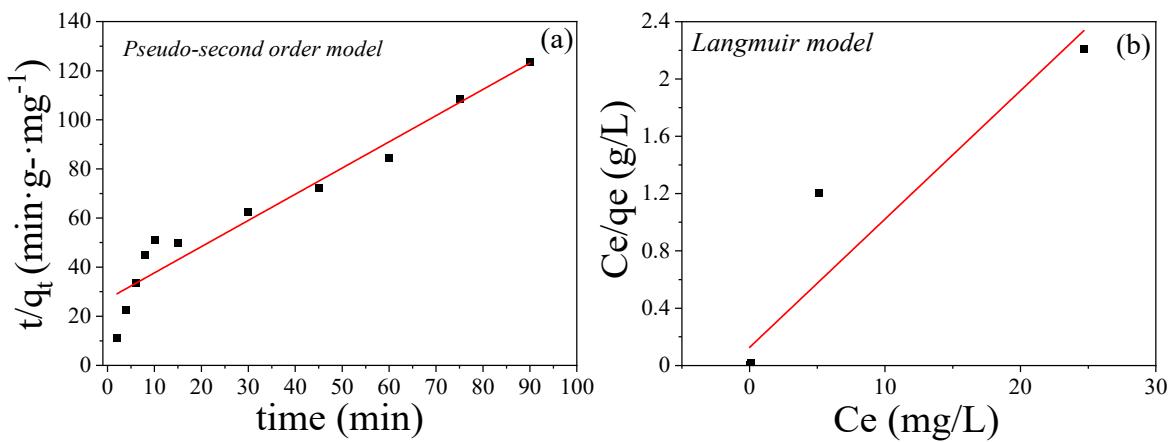
**Figure S1.** XRD patterns for the (a) Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> initial MNPs and (b,c) MNPs + fructose sample at  $T_{ann} = 400^{\circ}\text{C}$ : (○) Experimental, (—) calculated (Rietveld refinement) intensities and (—) difference between both intensities. The Bragg reflections are shown for (|) Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.



**Figure S2.** XRD patterns for the MNPs + fructose sample annealed at  $T_{\text{ann}} = 1000^\circ\text{C}$ . (○) Experimental, (—) calculated (Rietveld refinement) intensities and (—) difference between both intensities. The Bragg reflections are shown for (|) Fe<sub>3</sub>C and (|)  $\alpha$ -Fe.



**Figure S3.** (a,c) EDX analysis for the MNPs + fructose sample annealed at  $T_{\text{ann}} = 400$  and  $600^\circ\text{C}$ , respectively. (b) STEM image of the MNPs + fructose sample annealed at  $T_{\text{ann}} = 600^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Figure S4.** (a) Adsorption kinetics of Cr(VI) and (b) adsorption isotherms in the presence of the initial Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> MNPs.