

Supporting Information

Facile MOF Support Improvement in Synergy with Light Acceleration for Efficient Nanoalloy- Catalyzed H₂ Production from Formic Acid

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1. Materials and methods

- **Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) and high-resolution TEM (HRTEM)** were recorded using TEM JEOL JEM 1400 (120 kV)- 2100F.

- **Energy-dispersive X-ray Spectroscopy (EDS)** images were recorded using TEM-JEM-ARM200F Cold FEG equipped with an EDX spectrometer.

-**X-ray photoelectron spectra (XPS) System:** SPECS SAGE HR, X-Ray source: Mg K α non-monochromatic, operated at 12.5 kV and 250 W. Take-off angle 90°, at $\sim 10^{-8}$ Torr. Pass energy for survey spectra 30 eV, 15 eV for narrow scans. Analysis: spectra are calibrated to CC carbon 285 eV. Analysis consisted of Shirley background subtraction. Peaks are fitted with symmetrical Gaussian-Lorentzian (GL) line shapes. Samples were dispersed on a silica substrate, and its solvent was evaporated prior to measurement.

- **NMR spectra** were recorded at 25 °C with a Bruker AC 300, or 400 (300 or 400 MHz). All the chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (δ , ppm) with reference to Me₄Si for the ¹H NMR spectra.

- **Inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP-AES):** Thermo Scientific iCAP 6300 DUO spectrometer with a 3-channel, 12-roller pump and a 27.12 MHz solid state RF plasma generator.

- **Brunauer-Emmet-Teller (BET)** areas were recorded with a 30% v/v N₂/He flow using pure N₂ (99.9%) as the internal standard. At least 2 cycles of N₂ adsorption-desorption in the flow mode were employed to determine total surface area using the standard single point method.

TOF determination:

TOF is defined as TOF_{initial} calculated as follows:

$$\text{TOF}_{\text{initial}} = \frac{P_{\text{atm}} V_{\text{gas}} / RT}{2n_{\text{metal}} t}$$

Where TOF_{initial} is the initial turnover frequency when the conversion X_a reaches 20%, n_{metal} is the total molar number of metal in catalyst, and t is the reaction time when X_a reaches 20%.

2. Characterization and experimental data for the nanocatalysts

Table S1. Atomic ratios of ZIF-8@ Pd₂Ag₁@ZIF-67 measured by ICP-AES

Entry	Ag (ppm)	Pd (ppm)	Mass (mg)	Vol (ml)	Ag (wt%)	Pd (wt%)	Atomic ratios n Pd: n Ag
1	2.34	5.097	14.41	50	0.812	1.769	2.21: 1
2	2.916	4.846	13.35	50	1.092	1.815	1.7: 1

Table S2. Comparison of the TOF values with those of various nanocatalysts.

Nanocatalyst	T [K]	TOF [h ⁻¹]	Reference
Pd ₁ Ag _{1/2} /NMP-450	303	332	[S1] ¹
AgPd@Pd/TiO ₂	300	201	[S2] ²
Ag@Pd	293	125	[S3] ³
Ag/Pd alloy	293	144	[S3] ³
Monodisperse Ag ₄₂ Pd ₅₈ /C	323	382	[S4] ⁴
Monodisperse Au ₄₁ Pd ₅₉ /C	323	230	[S5] ⁵
Pd ₅ Ag ₅ NWs@g-C ₃ N ₄ (with light)	298	420	[S6] ⁶
PdAu/rGO	353	129.6	[S7] ⁷
ZIF-8@Pd ₂ Ag ₁ @ZIF- 67 (in dark)	353	245	This work
ZIF-8@Pd ₂ Ag ₁ @ZIF- 67 (with light)	353	430	This work

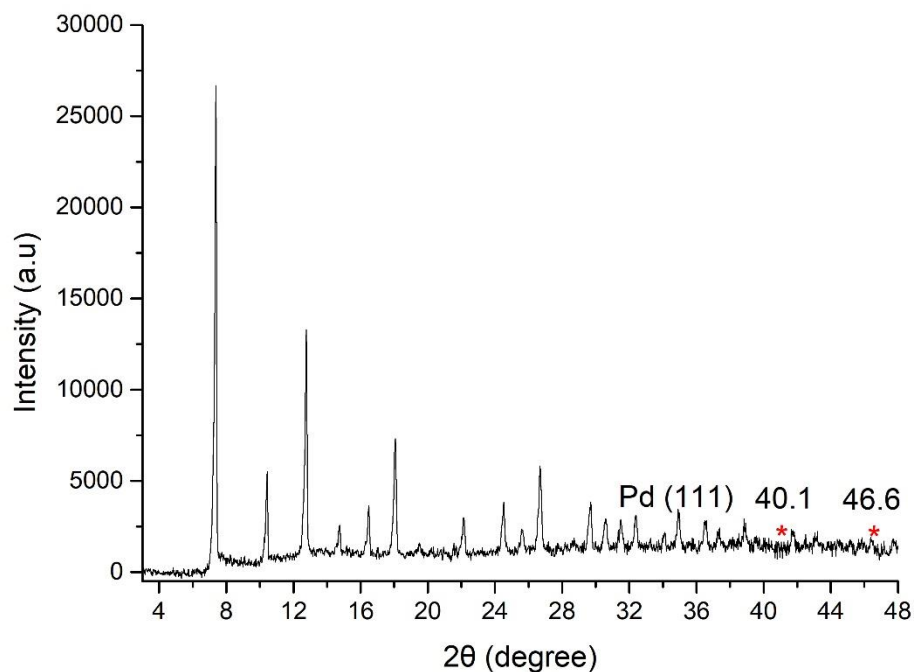


Figure S1. X-ray diffraction patterns of ZIF-8@Pd₂Ag₁@ZIF-67.

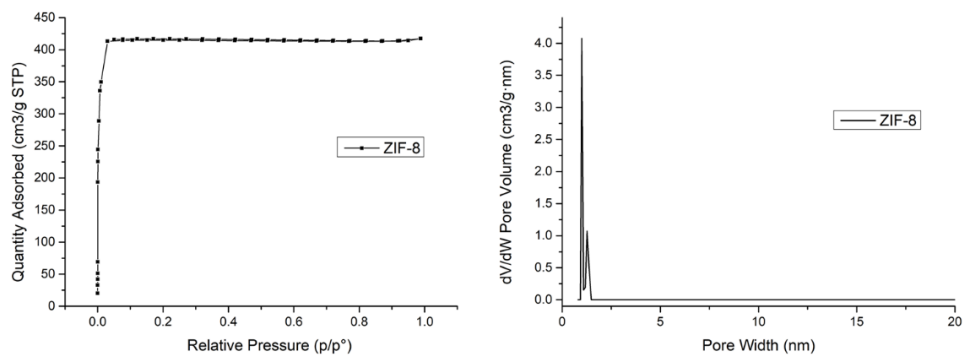


Figure S2. N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherms and DFT pore distribution of ZIF-8.

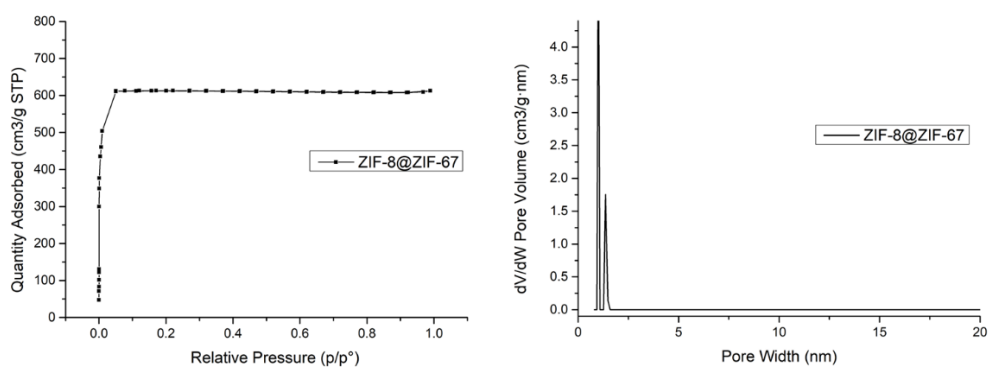


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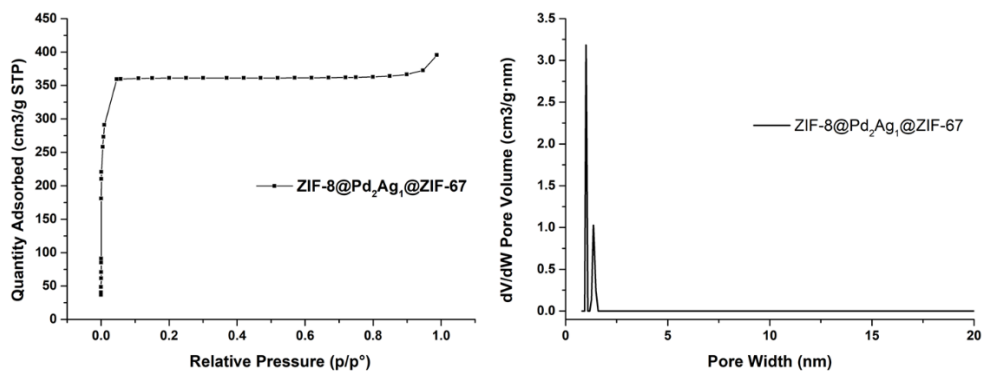


Figure S4. N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherms and pore distribution of ZIF-8@Pd₂Ag₁@ZIF-67 determined by DFT.

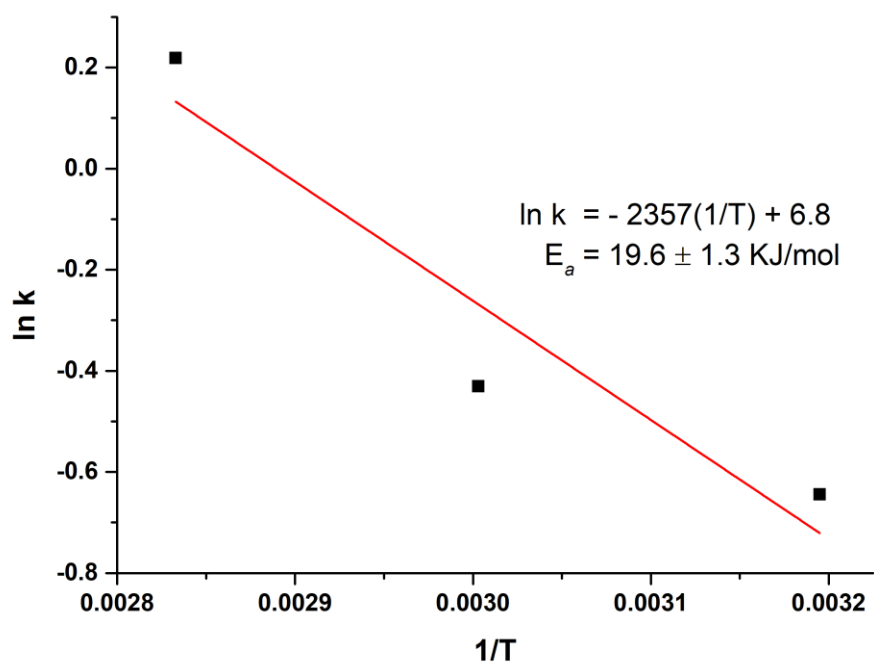


Figure S5. Arrhenius plots in FA dehydrogenation catalyzed by ZIF-8@Pd₂Ag₁@ZIF-67 at different temperatures.

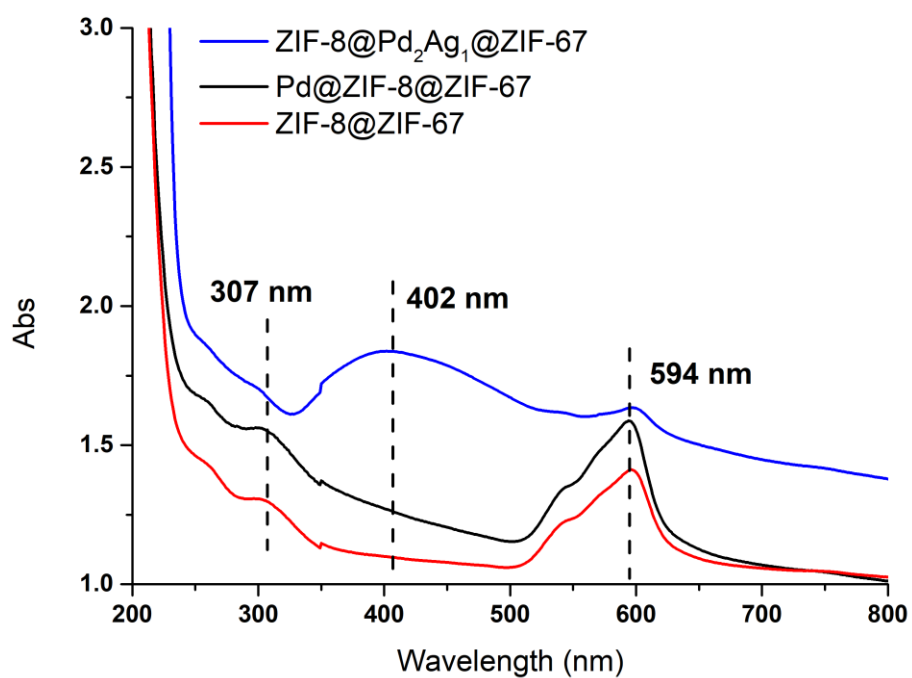


Figure S6. UV-vis. spectra of ZIF-8@ZIF-67, Pd@ZIF-8@ZIF-67, and ZIF-8@Pd₂Ag₁@ZIF-67.

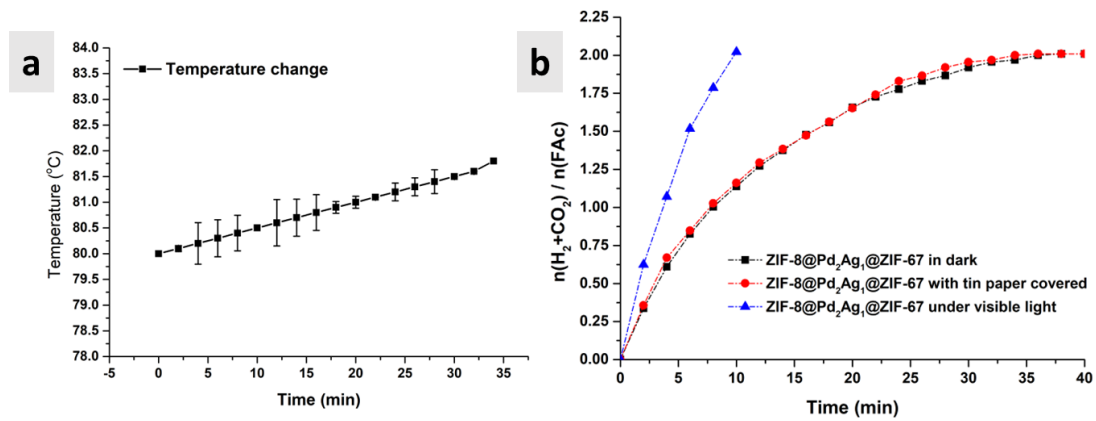


Figure S7. (a) temperature change under visible light irradiation and (b) catalytic efficiency under different conditions

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