

Development of new pretreatment approach for food safety screening

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Research Background

Food safety has been a global public health concern. Humans are seriously endangered by numerous contaminants in foodstuffs.

Owing to the complexity of food matrices and trace level of food contaminant, sample pretreatment is an essential step in food safety screening (sensitivity, accuracy and analytical speed)

The available approaches (e.g. solid phase extraction (SPE), solid phase microextraction (SPME)) often show some limitations such as time consuming, complicated operation, low affinity and selectivity to targeted analytes.

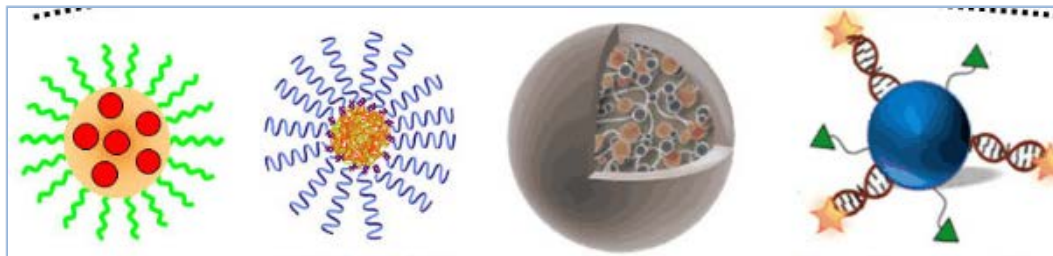


Research Background

The rapid development of the nanotechnology has brought many opportunities for food sample pretreatment.

Nanomaterials were synthesized from organic or inorganic materials, and their typical size range is between about 0.2-100 nm

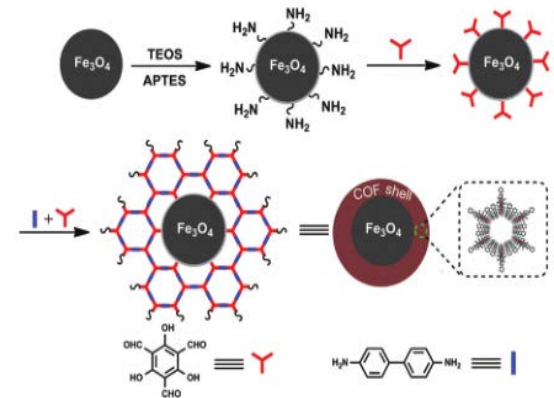
Nanomaterials are considered as great adsorbents due to their ultra-small size, large surface area, unique structure, and functional properties, allowing for the efficient isolation and pre-concentration of contaminants from foodstuffs



Research Background

The application of nanomaterials as adsorbents has become a promising trend in the field of food safety screening. Diverse types of nanomaterials have been evaluated in food sample pretreatment, such as metal-organic frameworks (MOFs), ordered mesoporous silicas (OMSs), polydopamine-derived materials (PDA), carbon-based materials, molecularly imprinted polymers (MIPs) as well as other novel nanomaterials.

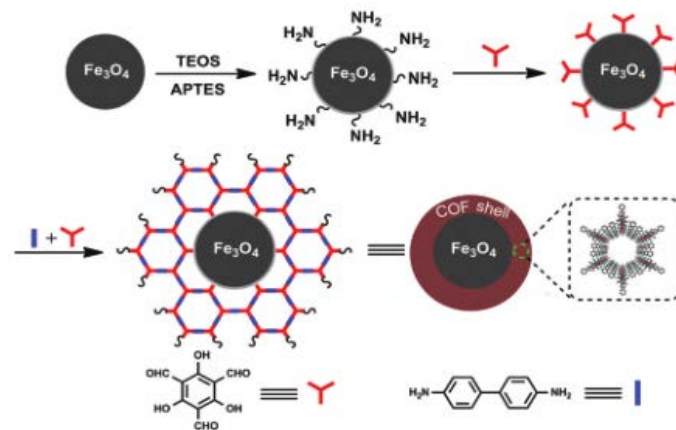
The emerging nanomaterials have presented a better performance for the extraction and pre-concentration of food contaminants, which significantly improve the detection sensitivity and selectivity.



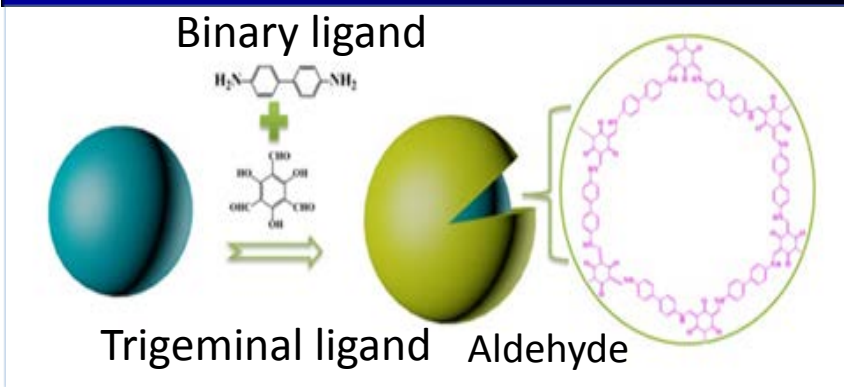
Research Background

Covalent organic frameworks (COFs) are an emerging group of microporous materials. COFs have attracted increasing attention in sample pretreatment due to their properties such as high surface area, tunable pore size, good chemical selectivity and thermal stability.

Recently, we developed a series of magnetic COFs for enrichment of Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs), plant growth regulators (PGRs) and fluoroquinolones (FQs)

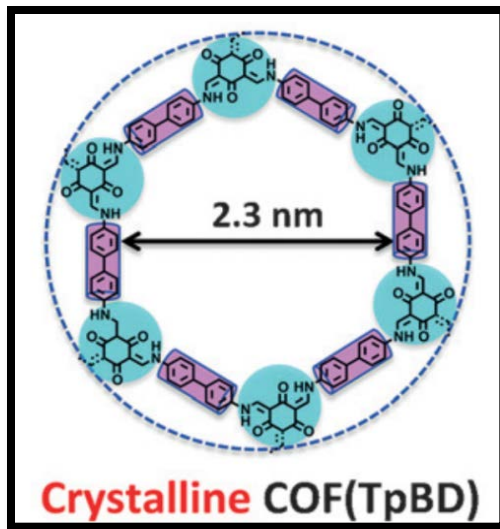


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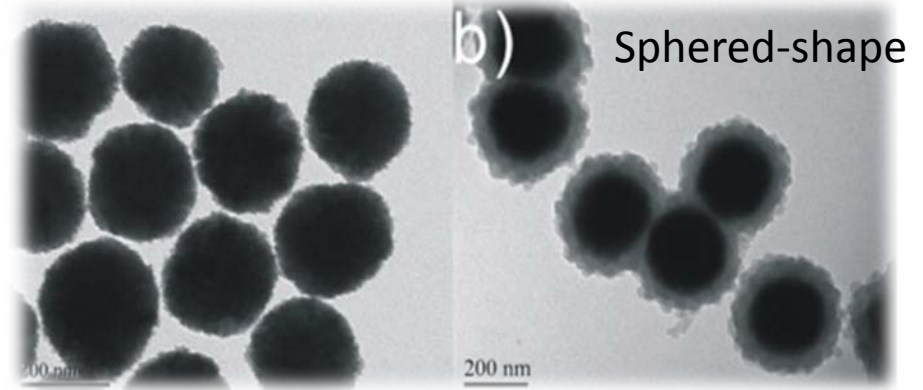


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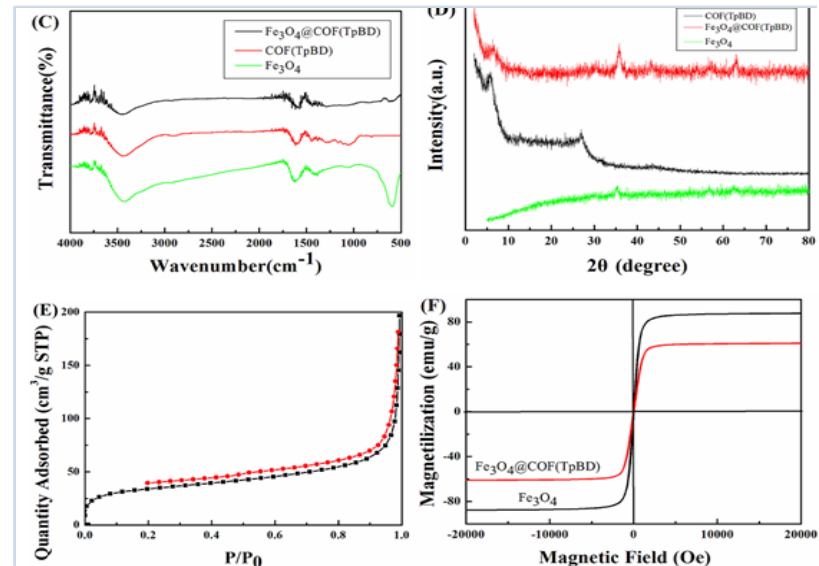
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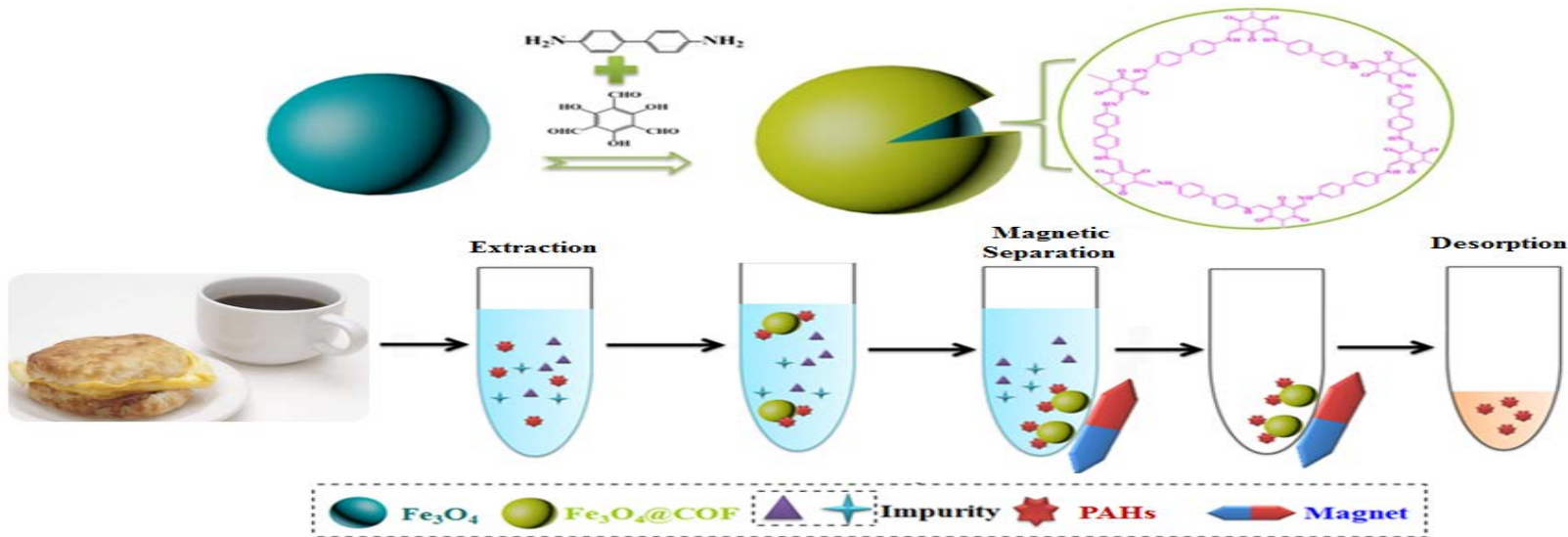


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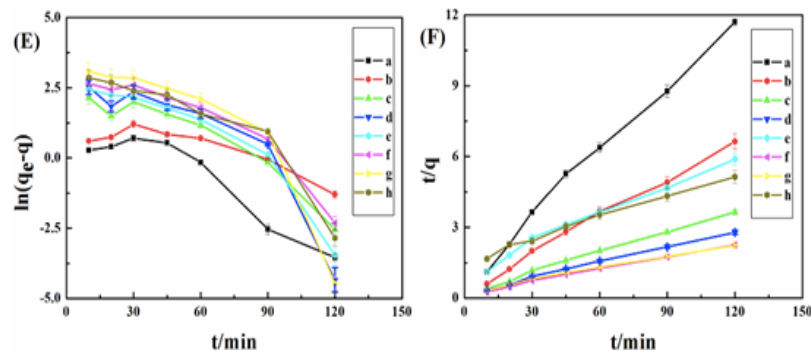
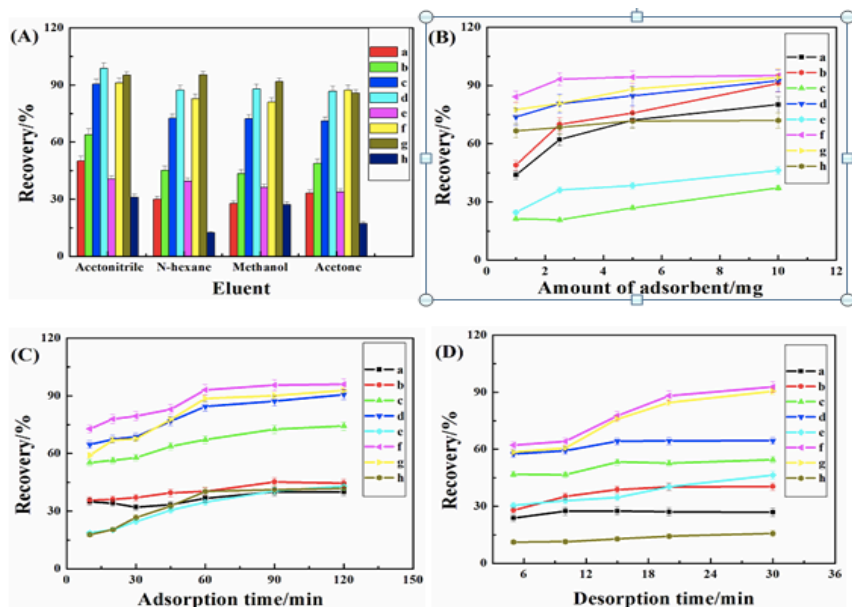


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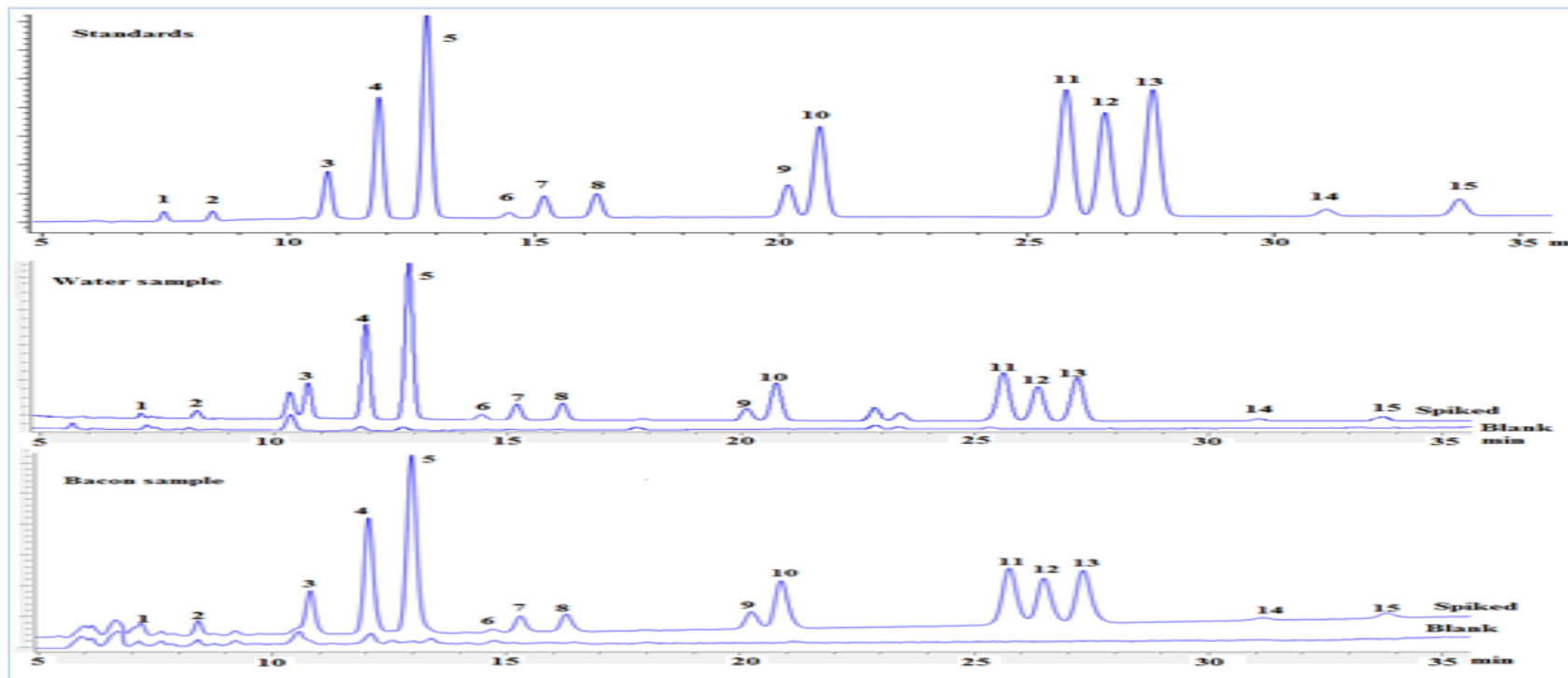


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Optimization of conditions

Amount of COFs: 5 mg; elution : Acetonitrile;
 enrichment time: 15 min; elution time: 10 mins

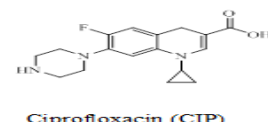
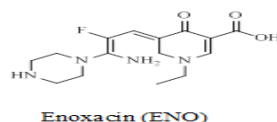
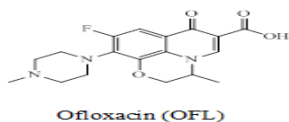
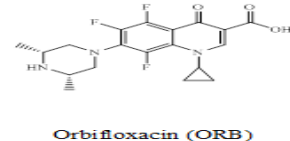
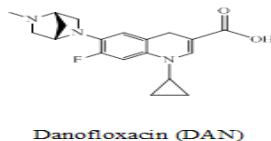
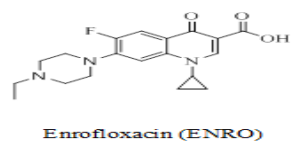
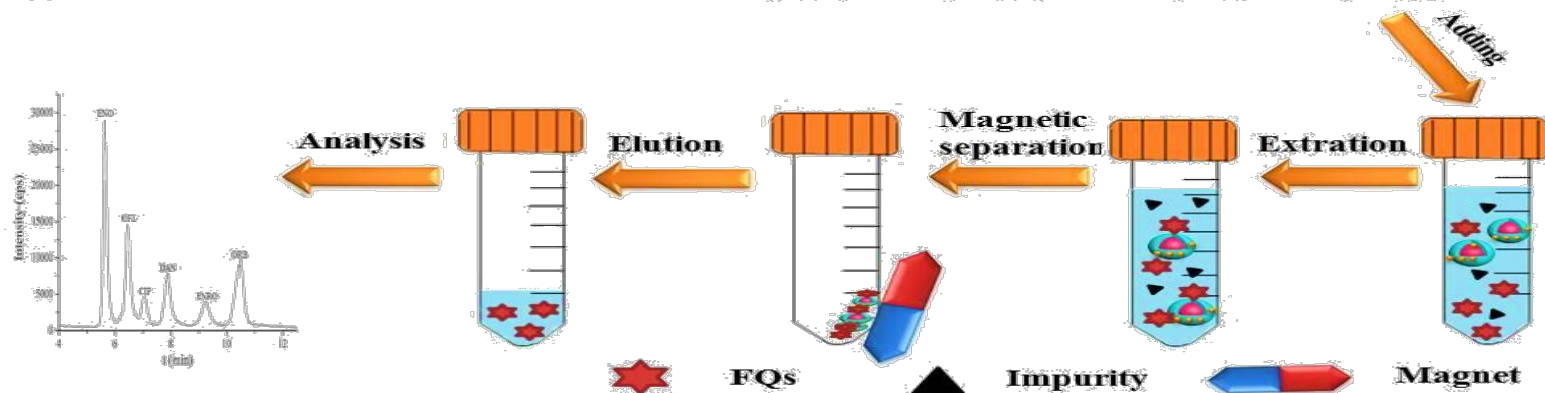
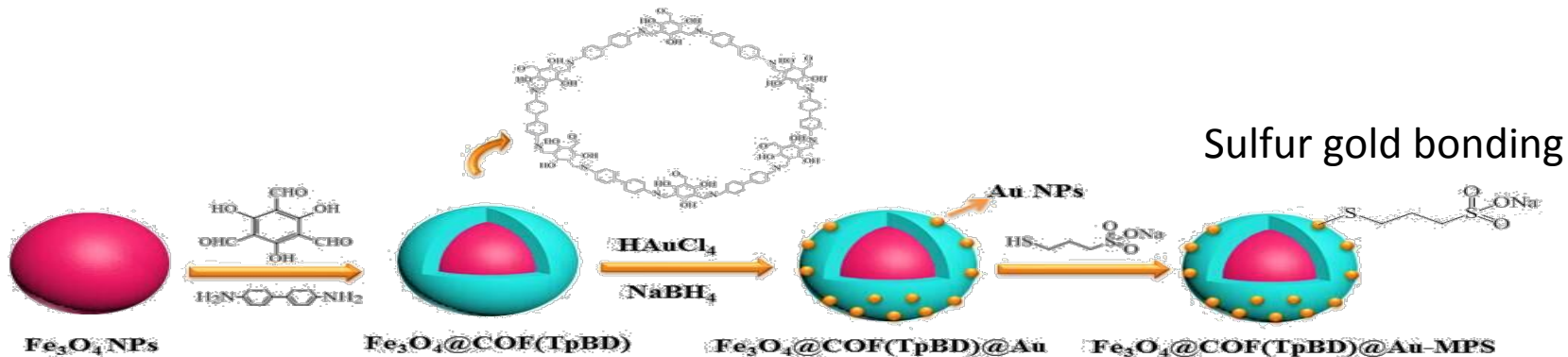


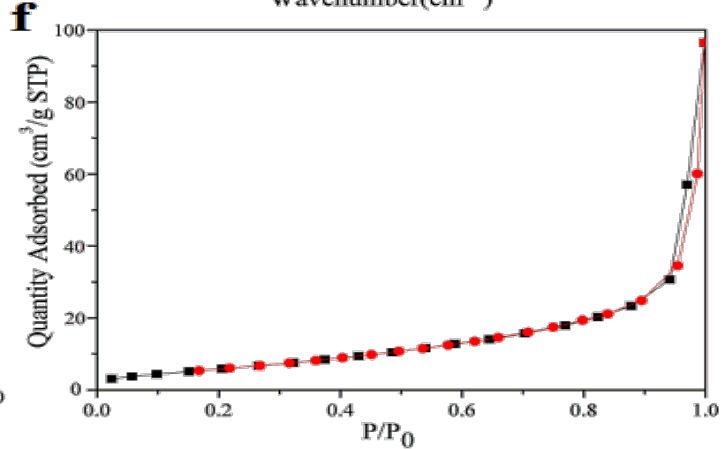
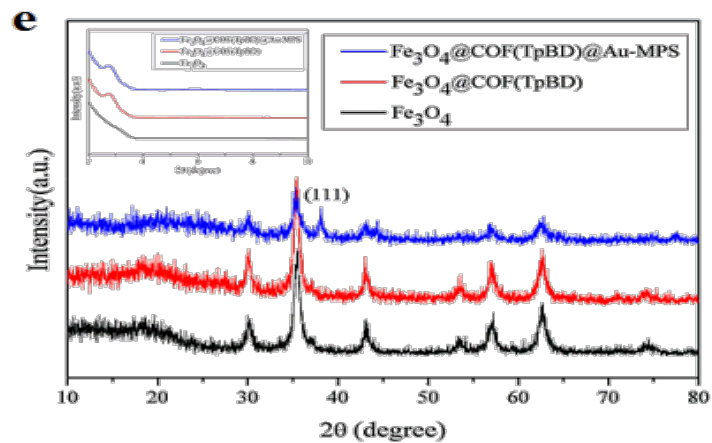
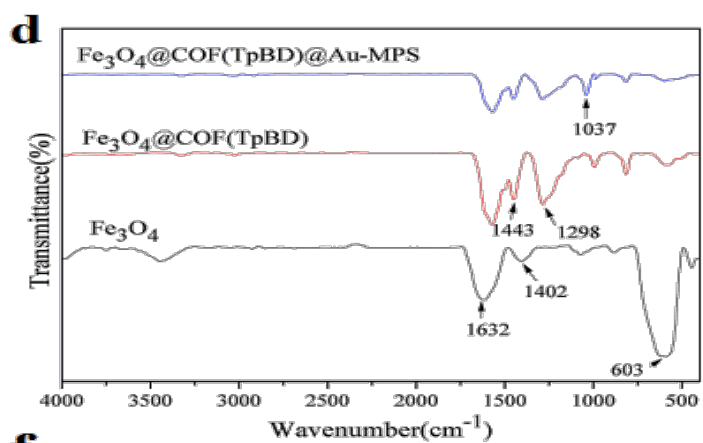
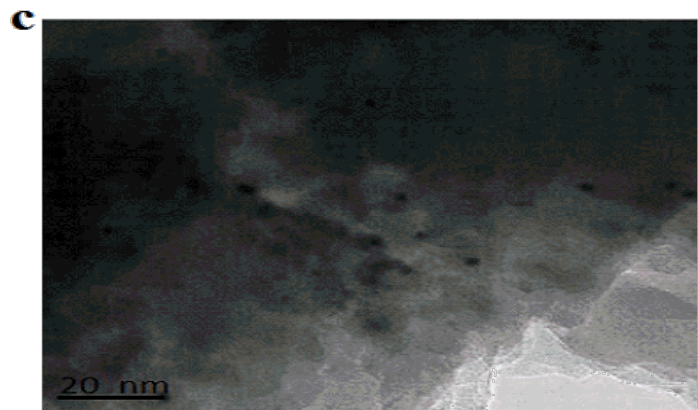
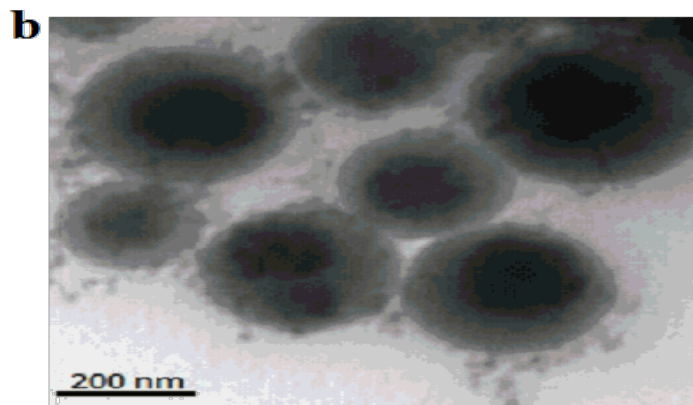
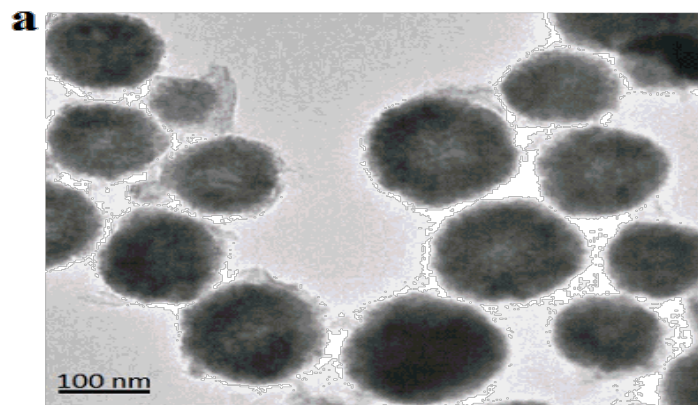
Typical chromatograms obtained after MSPE from spiked real samples.

Peak identification: **1**, naphthalene; **2**, acenaphthylene; **3**, fluorene; **4**, phenanthrene; **5**, anthracene; **6**, fluoranthene; **7**, pyrene; **8**, perylene; **9**, benzo[*a*]anthracene; **10**, chrysene; **11**, benzo[*b*]fluoranthene; **12**, benzo[*k*]fluorathene; **13**, benzo[*a*]pyrene; **14**, dibenz[*a,h*]anthracene; **15**, benzo[*g,h,i*]perylene.

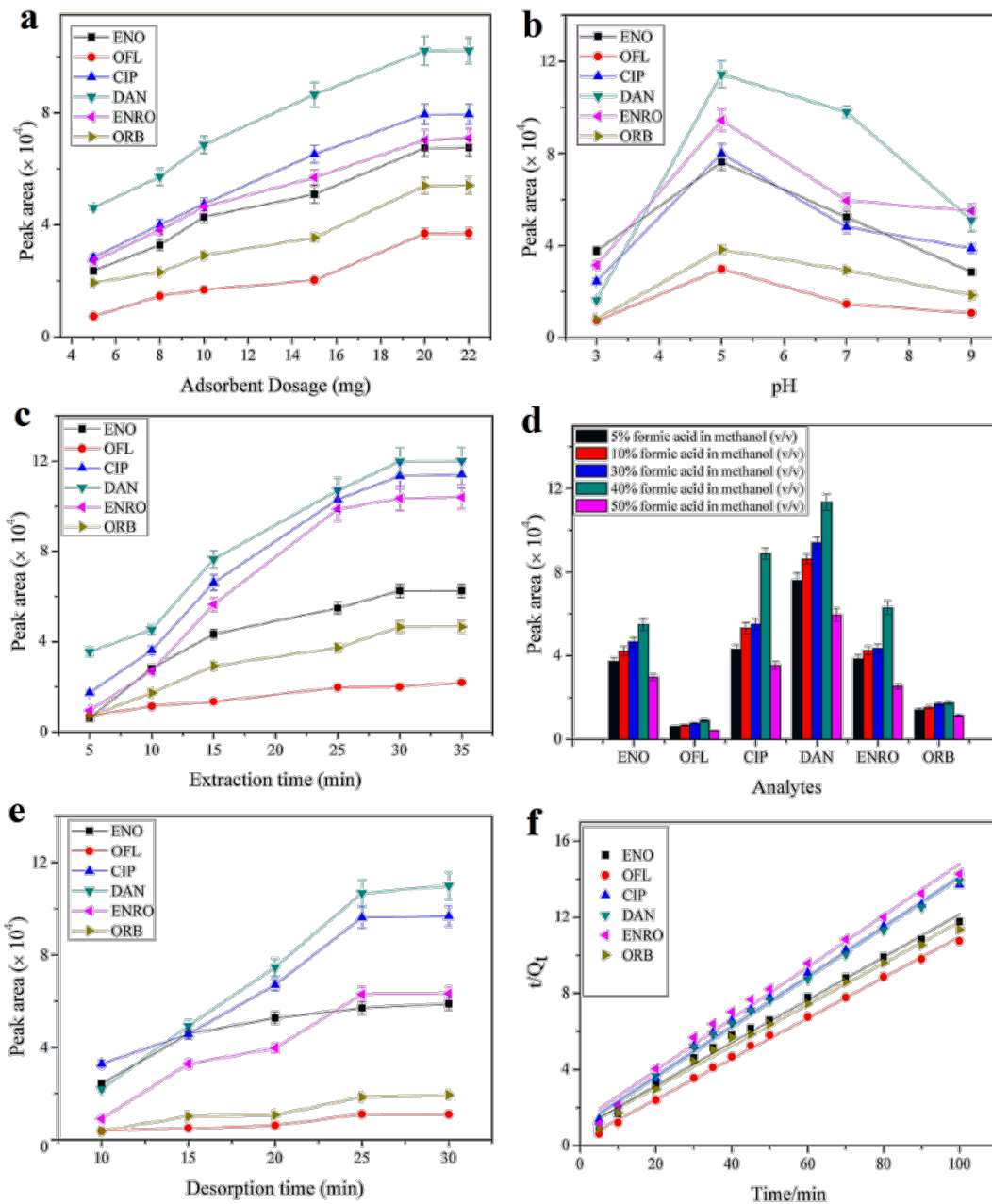
**HPLC-DAD ; Hypersil GOLD column (150×4.6 mm, 3μm, Thermo, USA) ;
Detection limits : 0.83-11.7 ng/L ; Recovery : 86.7-104.5%**

2. Sulphonate functionalized covalent organic framework-based magnetic sorbent for effective solid phase extraction and determination of fluoroquinolones (FQs)





Characterization of materials(TEM, FT-IR spectra, BET surface area)



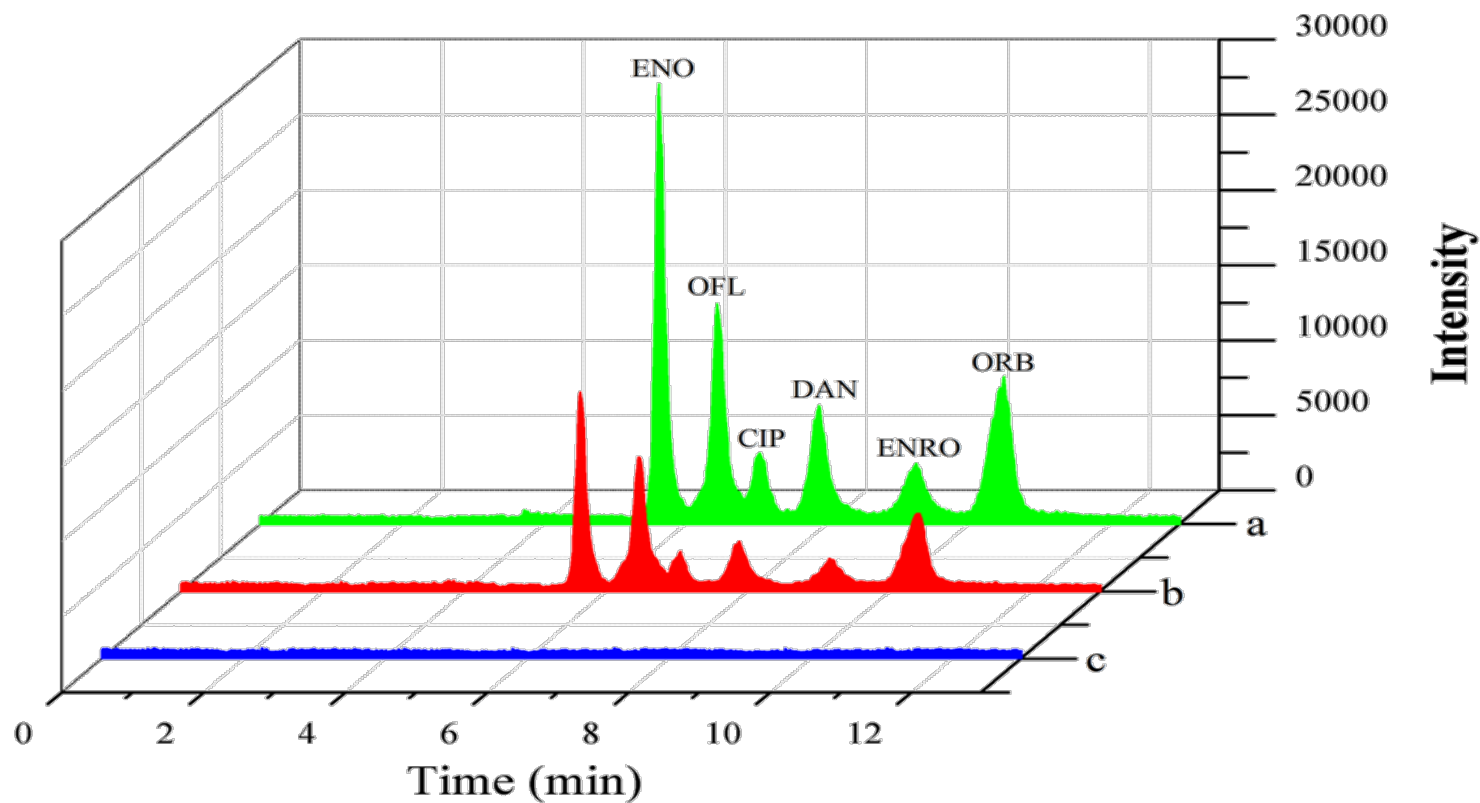
Adsorption kinetics

Comparison of the pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order models for FQs.

Analytes	Q_e (mg/g)	Pseudo-first-order model			Pseudo-second-order model		
		K_1	$Q_{e,cal}$ (mg/g)	R	K_2	$Q_{e,cal}$ (mg/g)	R
ENO	8.52	0.029	4.02	0.9376	0.014	8.89	0.9912
OFL	9.28	0.023	1.59	0.8861	0.039	9.37	0.9982
CIP	7.34	0.033	9.29	0.9318	0.017	7.63	0.9939
DAN	7.24	0.053	17.40	0.7138	0.018	7.63	0.9949
ENRO	7.01	0.027	8.51	0.8858	0.015	7.37	0.9902
ORB	8.76	0.028	4.17	0.9599	0.013	9.19	0.9918

Validation parameters of the proposed method in a pork sample.

Analytes	Linear range ($\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$)	Calibration equation	Correlation coefficient (R^2)	LOD ($\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$)	LOQs ($\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$)
ENO	2-200	$y = 2960x - 1.38 \times 10^3$	0.9993	1.0	3.0
OFL	2-200	$y = 759x - 1.03 \times 10^3$	0.9990	0.5	1.7
CIP	2-200	$y = 1560x + 1.21 \times 10^4$	0.9989	0.8	2.6
DAN	2-200	$y = 1990x - 1.21 \times 10^3$	0.9991	0.7	2.3
ENRO	1-200	$y = 1160x + 6.03 \times 10^3$	0.9995	0.3	1.0
ORB	1-200	$y = 485x + 2.37 \times 10^3$	0.9999	0.1	0.3

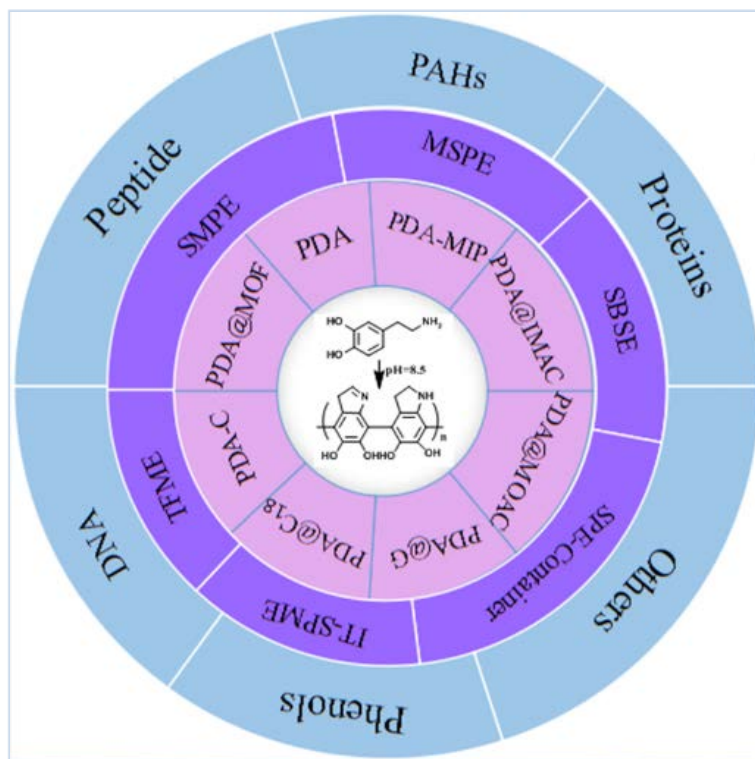


The typical chromatograms of (a) standard solutions with the concentrations of $100 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; (b) spiked ($50 \mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$) pork sample after MSPE; (c) blank pork sample.

Analytes [↵]	Added ($\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$) [↵]	Pork [↵]				Chicken [↵]				Bovine [↵]			
		Found [↵]	Recovery	ME ^a	RSD	Found [↵]	Recovery	ME ^a	RSD	Found [↵]	Recovery	ME ^a	RSD
		($\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$) [↵]	(%) [↵]	(%) [↵]	(%) [↵]	($\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$) [↵]	(%) [↵]	(%) [↵]	(%) [↵]	($\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$) [↵]	(%) [↵]	(%) [↵]	(%) [↵]
ENO [↵]	0 [↵]	ND [↵]				ND [↵]				ND [↵]			
	5 [↵]	4.6 [↵]	92.0 [↵]	90.1 [↵]	3.4 [↵]	4.2 [↵]	84.0 [↵]	88.8 [↵]	3.2 [↵]	4.3 [↵]	86.0 [↵]	95.7 [↵]	4.1 [↵]
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	100 [↵]	95.6 [↵]	95.6 [↵]	94.5 [↵]	4.6 [↵]	90.3 [↵]	90.3 [↵]	89.9 [↵]	1.7 [↵]	82.9 [↵]	82.9 [↵]	94.1 [↵]	4.5 [↵]
OFL [↵]	0 [↵]	ND [↵]				ND [↵]				ND [↵]			
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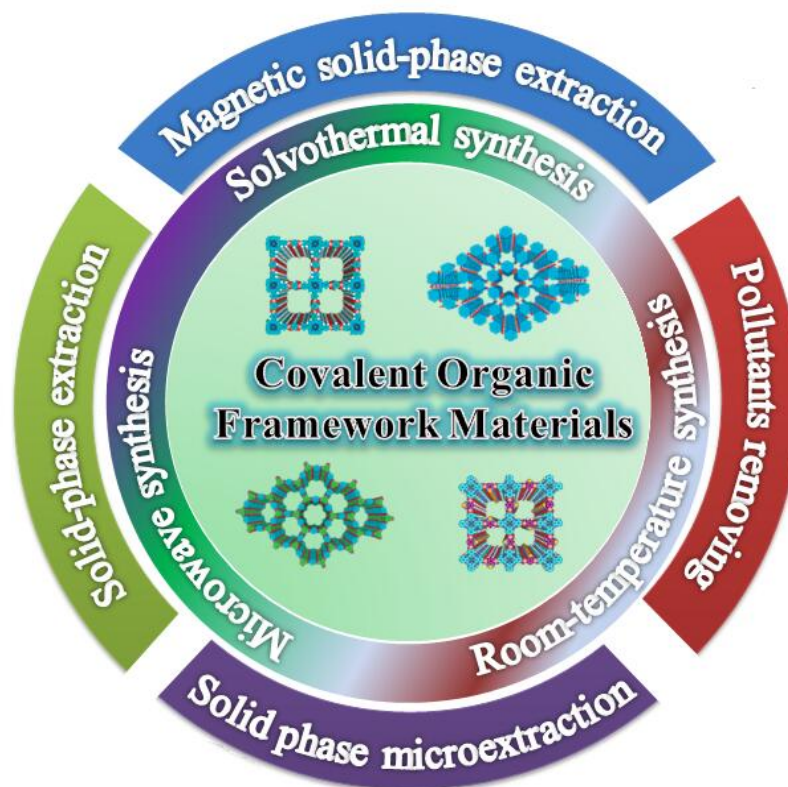
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Conclusion

The sensitive determination of contaminants with low concentration in complicated foodstuffs is still a challenging work.

COFs with unique advantages have been considered as potential adsorbents in food sample pretreatment. But COFs still have many deficiencies as adsorbents and new COFs with functional structure, excellent adsorption ability and better selectivity to target compounds with different polarities should be further developed.

The combination of COFs with other functional materials may further enhance their adsorption ability

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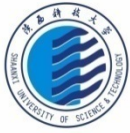
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