Highly efficient and chemoselective transfer hydrogenation of nitroarenes at room temperature over magnetically separable Fe-Ni bimetallic nanoparticles

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Figure S1: TEM image of Fe-Ni NP's.





Figure S2: Effect of Fe-Ni NP's loading on reduction of nitrobenzene.

Figure S3: GC-MS of CTH reactions carried out with Fe-Ni NP's with NaBH4 at ambient

conditions.

GC of standard nitrobenzene









1. Nitrobenzene to aniline (reaction carried out in methanol)

Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	9.42	Aniline	36080262	99.52
2	12.31	Nitrobenzene	174020	0.48
Total				100.00



Nitrobenzene to aniline (reaction carried out in water)



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	9.41	Aniline	33845586	98.71
2	12.32	Nitrobenzene	442314	1.29
Total				100.00



2. o-nitrotoluene to o-toludine



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	10.34	o-toludine	5844624	88.02
2	11.66	o-nitrotoluene	795485	11.98
Total				100.00



3. p-nitrotoluene to p-toludine



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	10.58	p-toludine	29170212	90.17
2	13.72	p-nitrotoluene	3180029	9.83
Total				100.00



4. p-nitrobenzoic acid to p-aminobenzoic acid



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	13.52	p-nitrobenzoic acid	1290459	4.43
2	18.80	p-aminobenzoic acid	27839547	95.57
Total				100.00



5. p-nitrophenol to p-aminophenol



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	15.39	p-nitrophenol	42100	0.63
2	15.62	p-aminophenol	6640427	99.37
Total				100.00



6. m-dinitrobenzene to m-nitroaniline



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	16.73	m-dinitrobenzene	896699	19.74
2	17.09	m-nitroaniline	3645850	80.26
Total				100.00



7. 1-(chloromethyl)-4-nitrobenzene to 4-(chloromethyl) aniline



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	13.04	1-(chloromethyl)-4-nitrobenzene	11198	0.21
2	14.83	4-(chloromethyl)aniline	5321130	99.79
Total				100.00







Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	15.31	4-(bromomethyl)aniline	3455208	98.85
2	17.09	1-(bromomethyl)-4-nitrobenzene	40197	1.15
Total				100.00







Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	17.02	4-aminobenzonitrile	3389479	99.57
2	20.51	4-nitrobenzonitrile	14638	0.43
Total				100.00





10. methyl cinnamate to methyl 3-phenylpropanoate



Peak#	Ret. Time	Name	Area	Area%
1	13.55	methyl 3-phenylpropanoate	5383647	99.27
2	14.99	methyl cinnamate	39590	0.73
Total				100.00



Table T1: Hydrogenation of nitrobenzene using nickel nanoparticles and nZVI with NaBH₄

 at ambient conditions.

Catalyst	Substrate	Product	Time	Yield (%)
Ni NP's	NO ₂	NH ₂	1 h	NR
Fe NP's	NO ₂	NH ₂	4 h	49.86

*NR – no reaction