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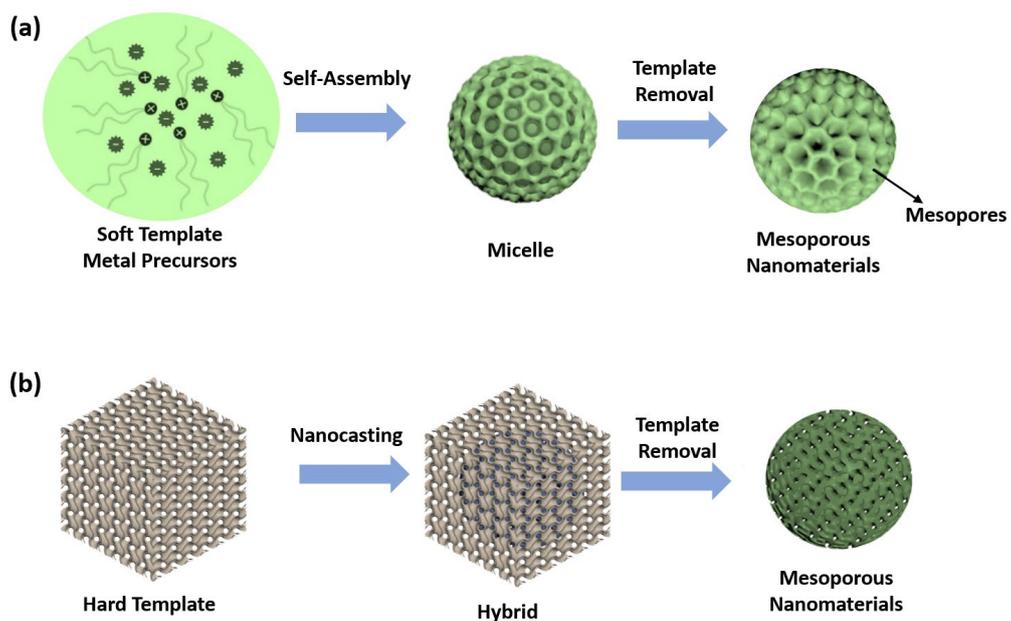


Figure S1 I (a) Soft-templating method and (b) hard-templating method for the syntheses of mesoporous nanomaterials.

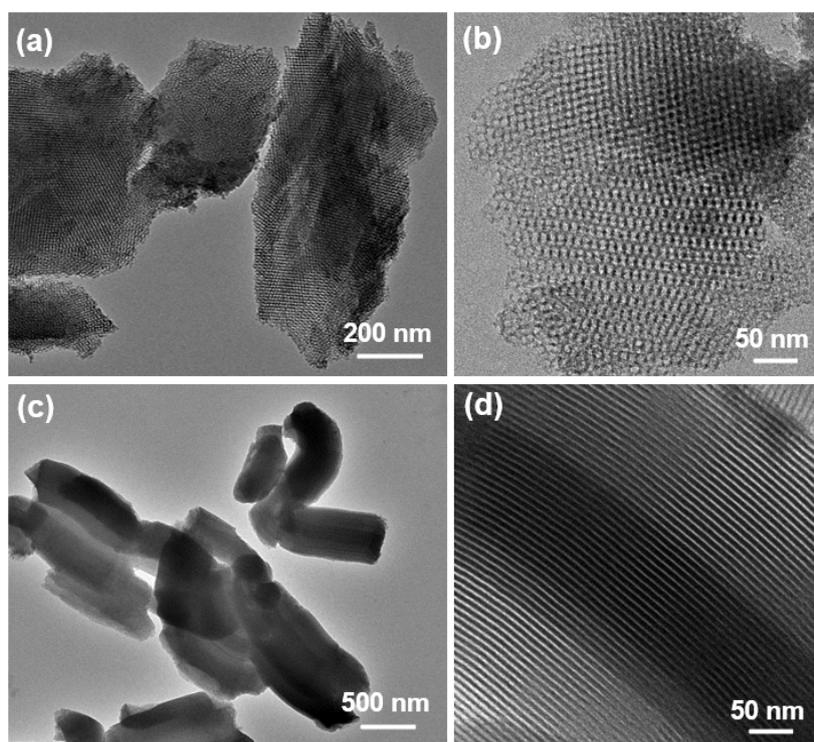


Figure S2 I TEM images of (a, b) KIT-6 and (c, d) SBA-15. Images adapted with permission from ref

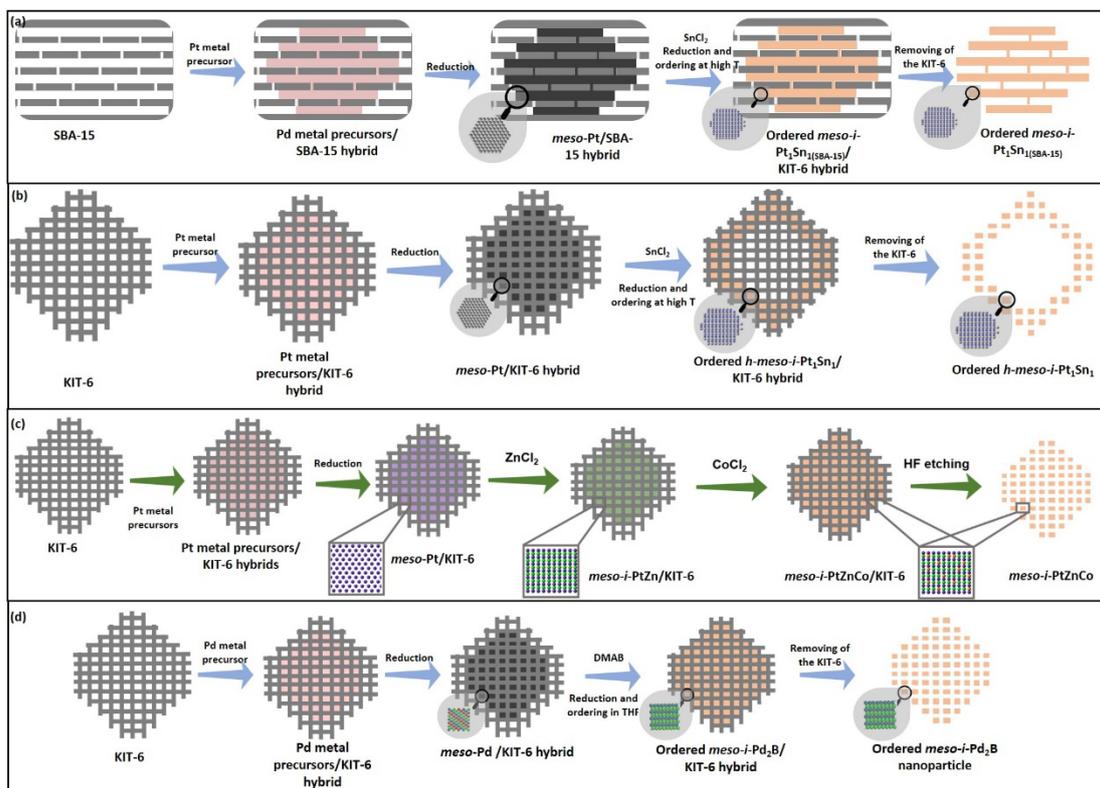


Figure S3 | The schematic procedures of the concurrent templates toward the syntheses of the mesoporous intermetallic nanoparticles of (a) $meso-i-Pt_1Sn_1(SBA-15)$, (b) $h-meso-i-Pt_1Sn_1$, (c) $meso-i-PtZnCo$ and (d) $meso-i-Pd_2B$.

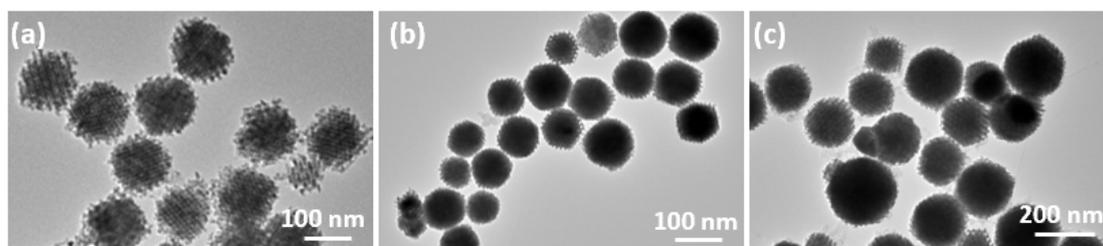


Figure S4 | TEM images of $meso-i-Pt_1Sn_1$ nanoparticles with a nanoparticle size of (a) 121 nm, (b) 164 nm, and (c) 208 nm. Images adapted with permission from ref 42.

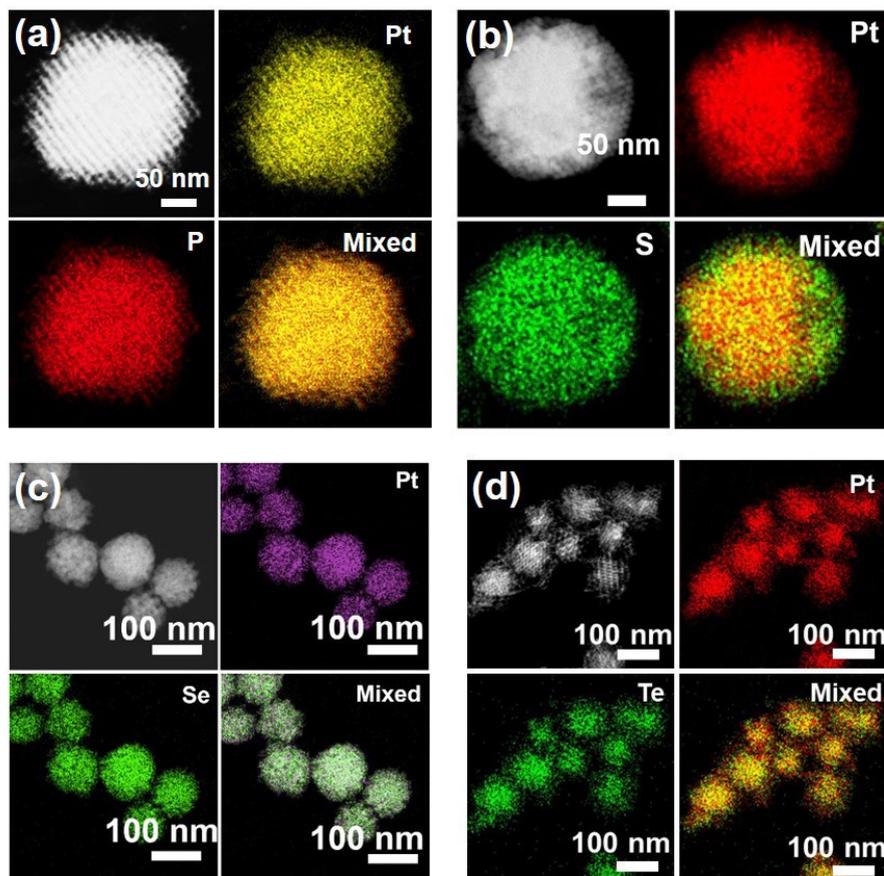


Figure S5 I STEM EDS mapping images of *meso-i-PtP₂*, *meso-i-PtS₂*, *meso-i-PtSe₂* and *meso-i-PtTe₂*. Images adapted with permission from ref 73.

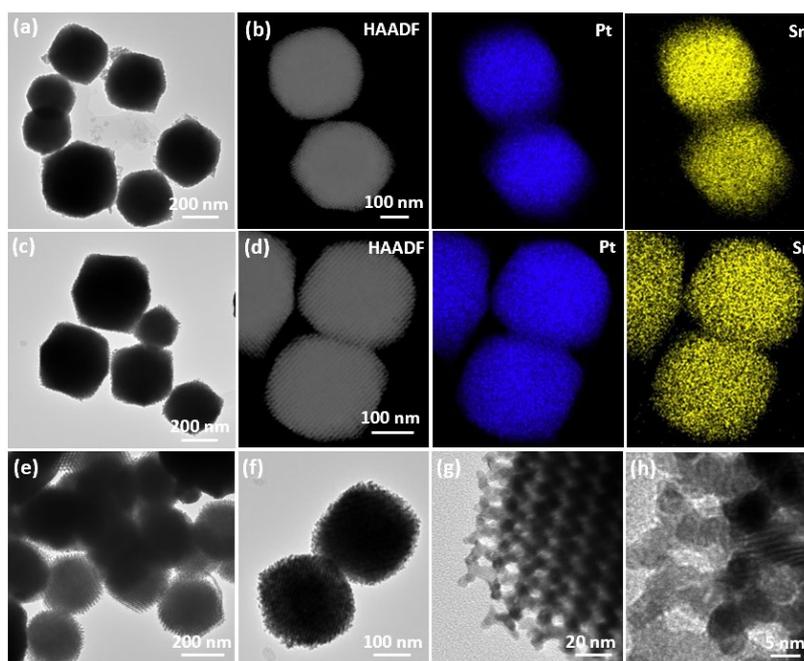


Figure S6 | STEM/TEM and STEM EDX images of (a,b) *meso-i-Pt₁Sn₁*, (c,d) *meso-i-Pt₃Sn₁*, and (e-h) *meso-Pt* nanoparticles after catalysis. All the nanoparticles retained their structure/morphology and composition, indicating a good catalytic stability. Images adapted with permission from ref 42.

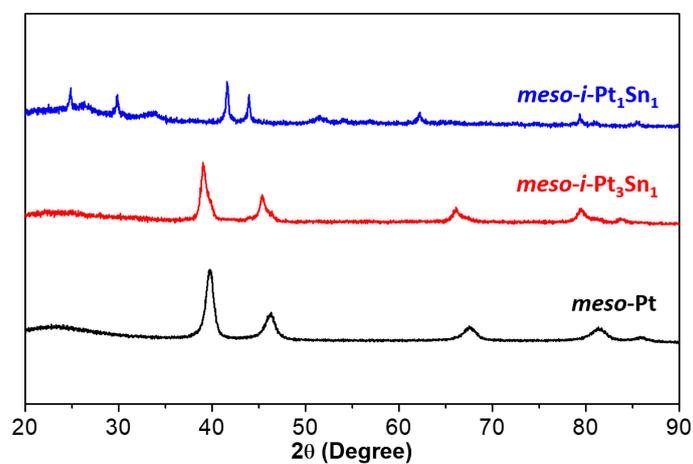


Figure S7 | PXRD patterns of *meso-Pt*, *meso-i-Pt₃Sn₁*, and *meso-i-Pt₁Sn₁* nanoparticles after catalytic stability tests. All samples retained PXRD peaks well, indicating they are chemically stable for catalysis. Images adapted with permission from ref 42.

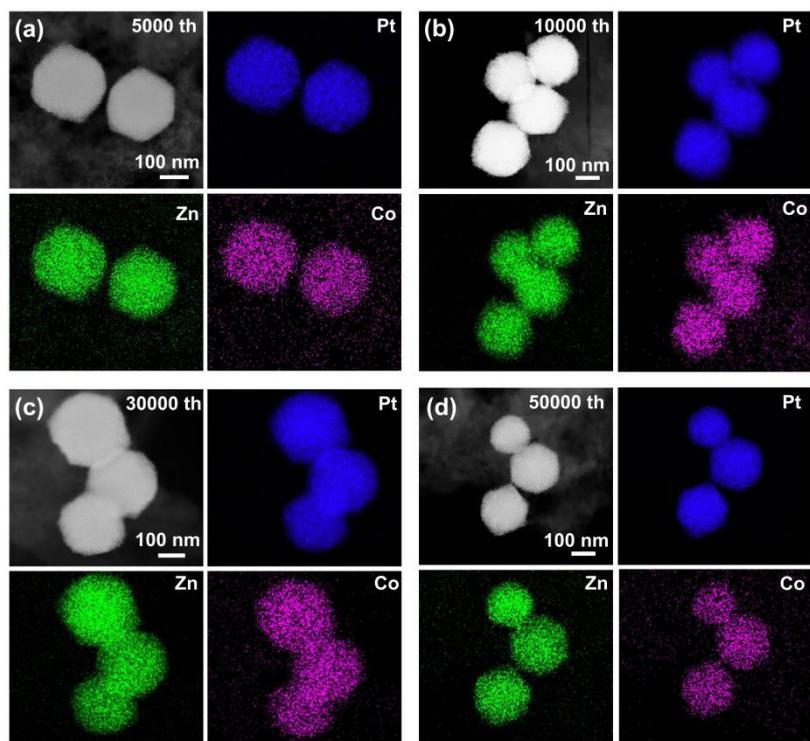


Figure S8 | EDS mapping images of *meso-i*-PtZnCo after the (a) 5000, (b) 10000, (c) 30000, (d) 50000 CV cycles. Images adapted with permission from ref 70.

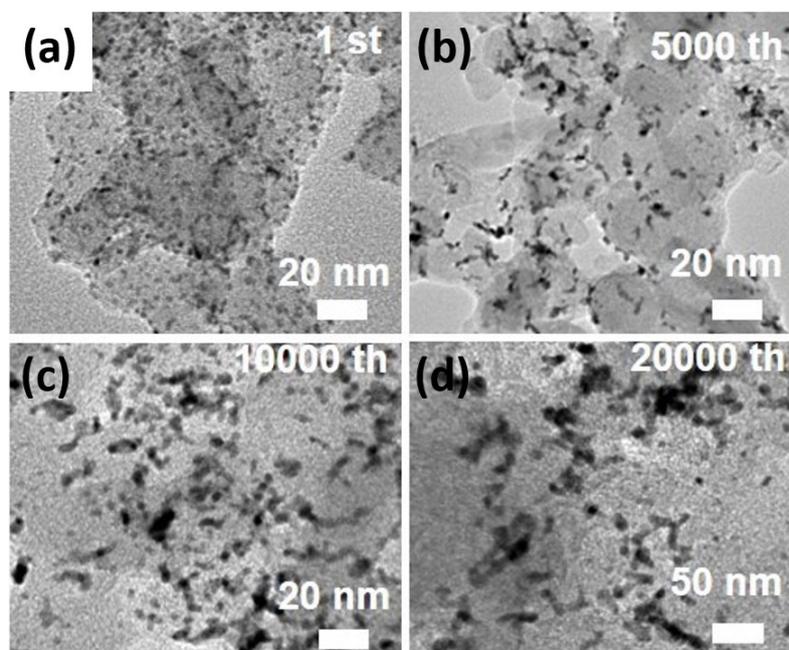


Figure S9 | TEM images of Commercial Pt/C after the (a) 1, (b) 5000, (c) 10000, (d) 20000 CV cycles. Images adapted with permission from ref 70.

Table S1 I Comparisons of the advantages and limitations of soft-templating, hard-templating, and concurrent template methods for the syntheses of mesoporous materials.

Method	Advantage	Limitation
Soft-templating method	Controllable mesoporous structures/morphologies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Low thermal stability of soft templates; 2. Collapse of porous frameworks during the crystallization and removal of soft-template
Hard-templating method	A reliable strategy for most of crystalline oxides and sulfides, and single metals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Less adjustable of pore sizes and structures; 2. Inevitable nucleation at outside of pores, thus low yield; 3. High-cost and complicated preparation
Concurrent template method	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A reliable syntheses of thermally stable metal alloys with high orderliness and crystallinity; 2. Easy to control elemental compositions 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Less adjustable of pore sizes and structures; 2. High-cost and complicated preparation