



# N-Doped Biochar as a New Metal-Free Activator of Peroxymonosulfate for Singlet Oxygen-Dominated Catalytic Degradation of Acid Orange 7

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**Table S1.** Surface porosity of various materials.

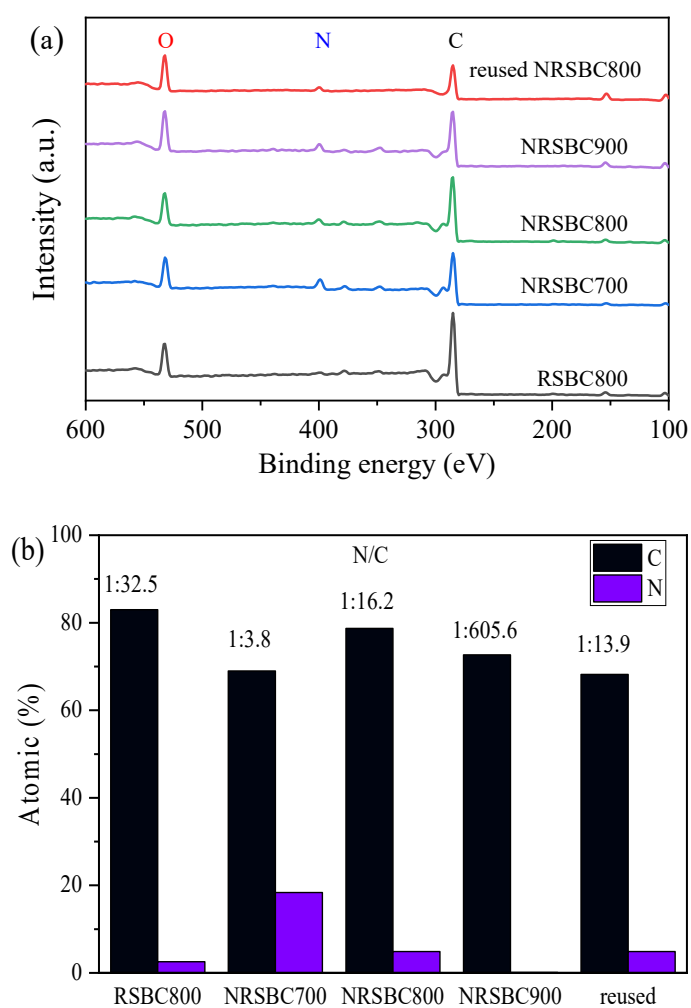
samples	SSA (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g)	Pore size (nm)
RSBC800	428.53	0.11	3.99
NRSBC700	333.65	0.15	2.91
NRSBC800	471.12	0.13	3.30
NRSBC900	514.31	0.36	2.94

**Table S2.** The chemical composition of various materials.

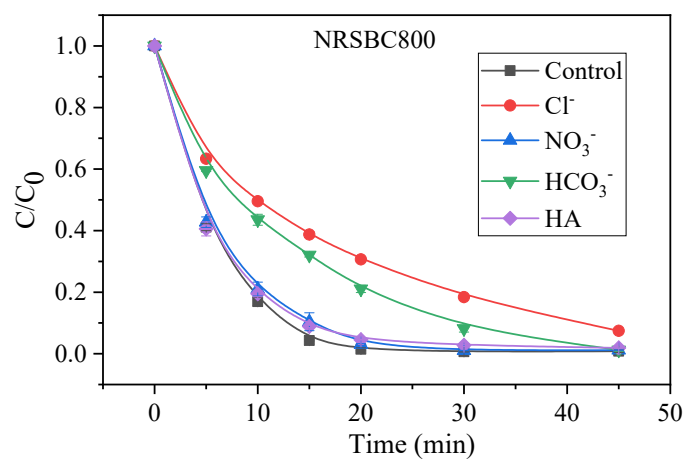
samples	C at. %	O at. %	N at. %	N distribution %		
				Pyridine-N	Pyrrole-N	Graphene-N
RSBC800	82.98	14.47	2.55	—	—	—
NRSBC700	68.98	12.67	18.35	48.40	23.40	28.20
NRSBC800	78.71	16.42	4.87	42.04	25.28	32.68
NRSBC900	72.67	21.12	0.12	42.80	26.57	30.63
reused NRSBC800	68.19	26.92	4.89	31.85	26.39	41.76

**Table S3.** Quality parameters of water samples.

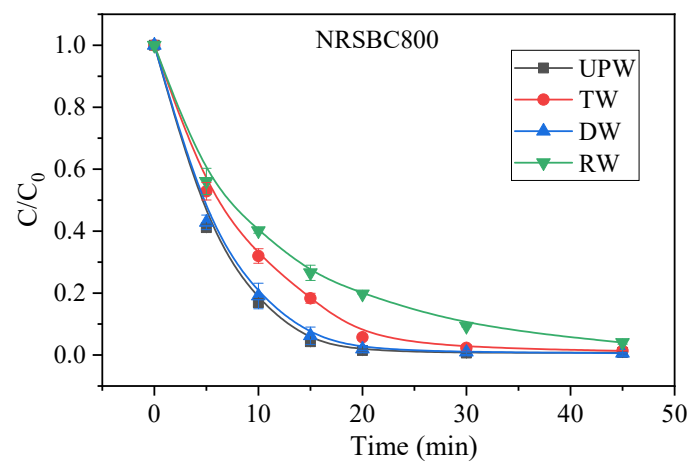
Samples	Turbidity (NTU)	UV254 (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Conductivity (μs/cm)
Ultrapure Water	0	0.005	6.89	2.2
Deionized Water	0	0.007	7.01	8.1
Tap Water	0.031	0.103	7.22	229
River Water	7.011	0.155	7.56	538



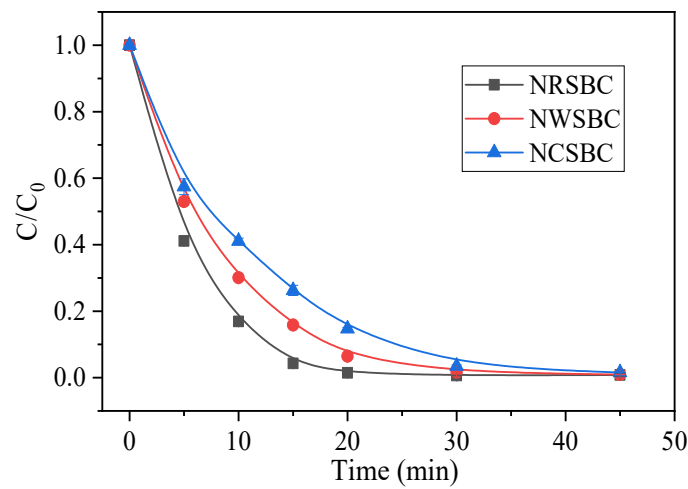
**Figure S1.** XPS survey spectra (a) and atomic% (b) of different materials (RSBC800, NRSBC700, NRSBC800, NRSBC900 and reused NRSBC800).



**Figure S2.** Effect of anions and humic acid (HA) on the removal of AO7. Condition: [AO7] = 50 mg/L, [catalyst] = 100 mg/L, [PMS] = 614 mg/L, [Anions] = 5 mM, [HA] = 10 mg/L and T = 25 °C.



**Figure S3.** Effect of actual water matrices on the AO7 degradation. Condition: [AO7] = 50 mg/L, [catalyst] = 100 mg/L, [PMS] = 614 mg/L, and T = 25 °C. (Abbreviations: UPW–Ultrapure Water; TW–Tap Water; DW–Deionized Water; RW–River Water.).



**Figure S4.** Degradation of the AO7 using different kinds of straw. Condition: [AO7] = 50 mg/L, [catalyst] = 100 mg/L, [PMS] = 614 mg/L, and T = 25 °C.