## Efficient conversion of lactic acid to alanine over noble metal supported on Ni@C catalysts

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**Figure S1**. The TLC analysis results of different samples. 1-2: the standard sample of Ala and LA; 3-5: the reaction solution catalyzed by Ru/Ni@C (reactants: 3-LA, 4-glycerol, 5-pyruvate acid).

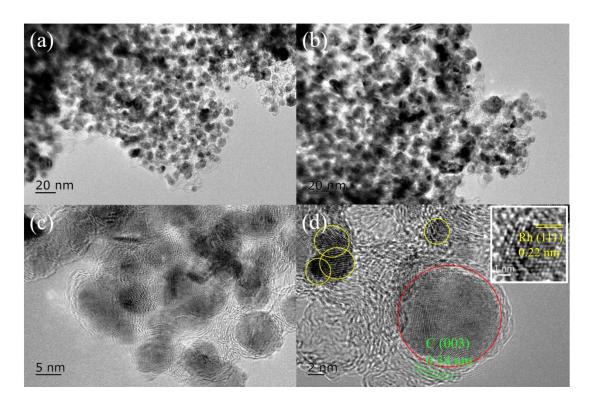


Figure S2. The TEM and HRTEM images of Rh/Ni@C.

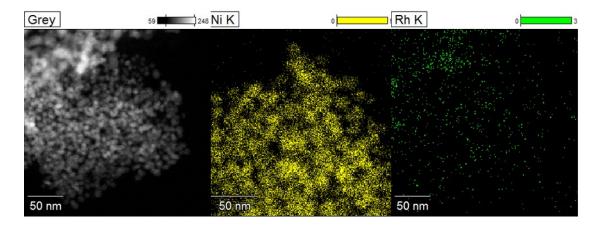


Figure S3. The chemical element mapping for the spatial distribution of Ni and Rh of Rh/Ni@C.

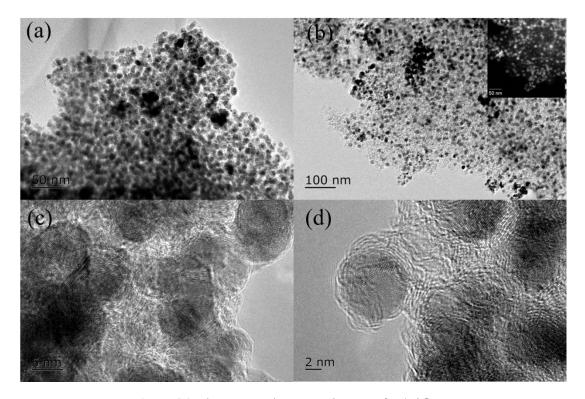


Figure S4. The TEM and HRTEM images of Pt/Ni@C.

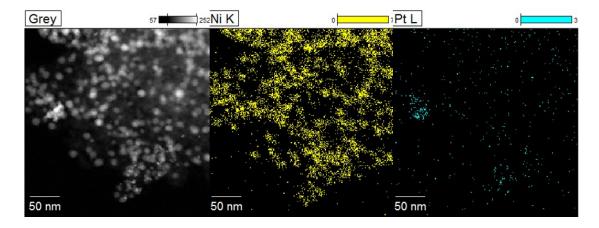


Figure S5. The chemical element mapping for the spatial distribution of Ni and Pt of Pt/Ni@C.

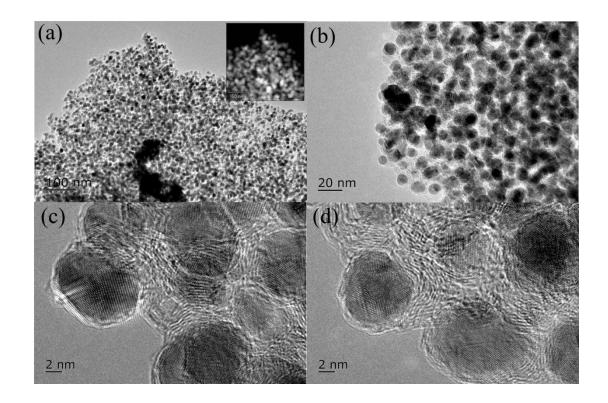


Figure S6. The TEM and HRTEM images of Pd/Ni@C.

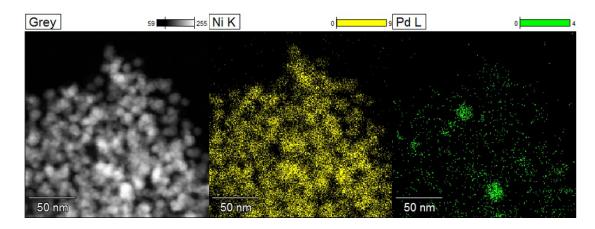
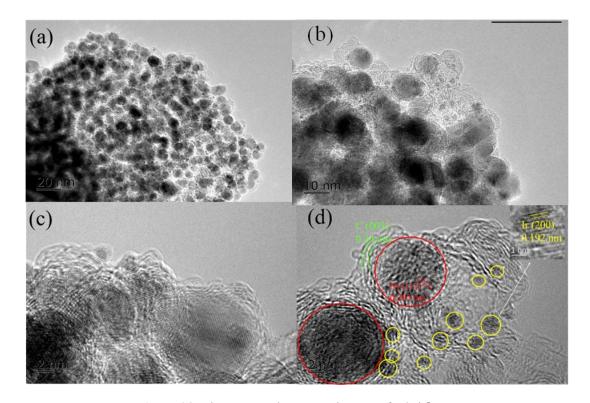


Figure S7. The chemical element mapping for the spatial distribution of Ni and Pd of Pd/Ni@C.



**Figure S8**. The TEM and HRTEM images of Ir/Ni@C.

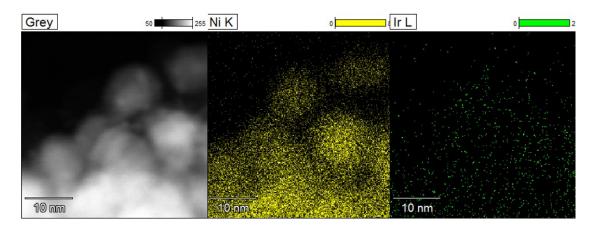
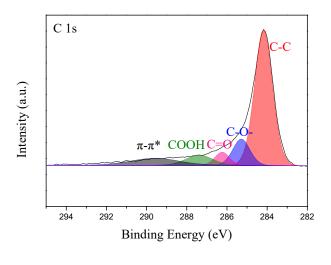


Figure S9. The chemical element mapping for the spatial distribution of Ni and Ir of Ir/Ni@C.



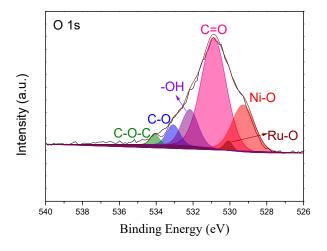


Figure S10. C1s and O1s XPS spectra of Ru/Ni@C catalyst.

Table S1. The acid amount of catalysts.

Catalysts	Ni@C	CS	Ru/CS	Ru/Ni@C
Acid amount	0.050	0.047	0.127	0.200
(mmol/g)	0.050	0.047	0.126	0.209



 $\textbf{Figure S11}. \ Photo \ images \ for \ the \ magnetic \ separable \ property \ of \ Ru/Ni@C \ catalyst.$