

Supporting materials

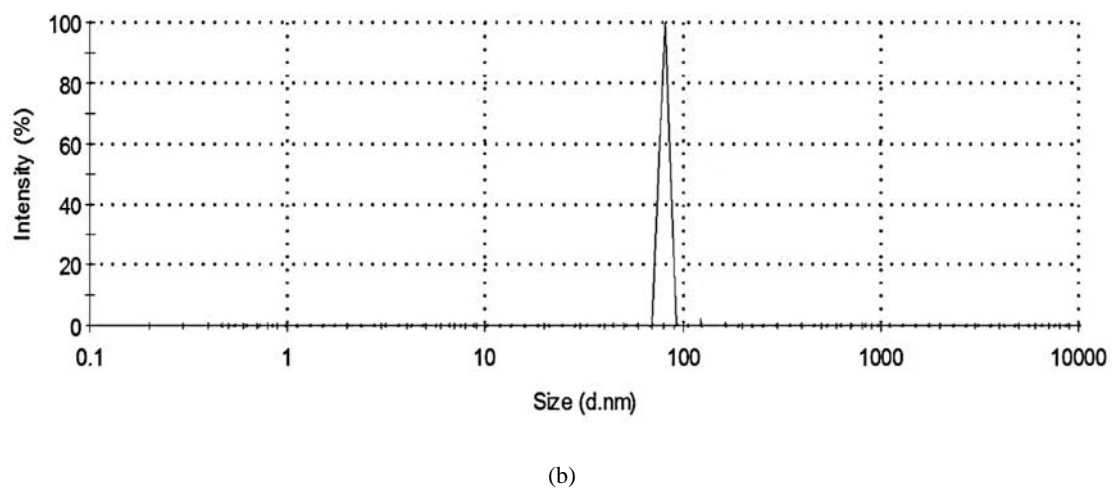
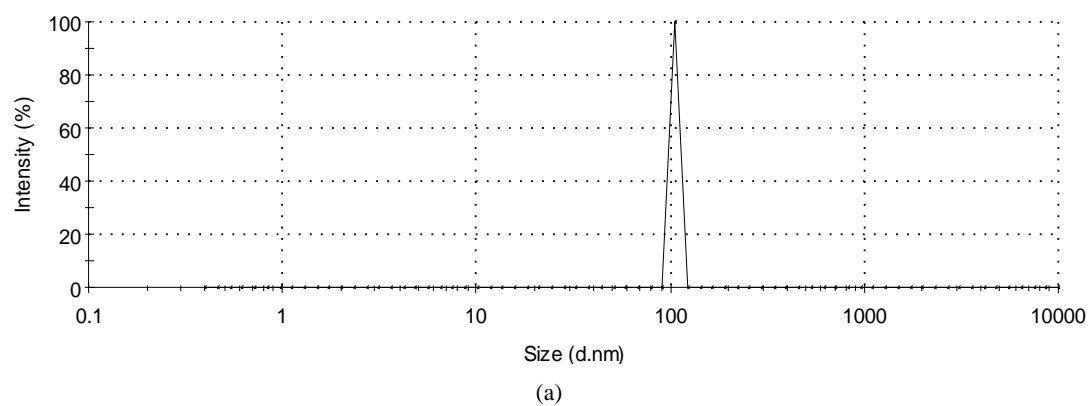


Fig. S1 Particle size distribution of Fe/Pd nanoparticle (a) and nZVI (b)

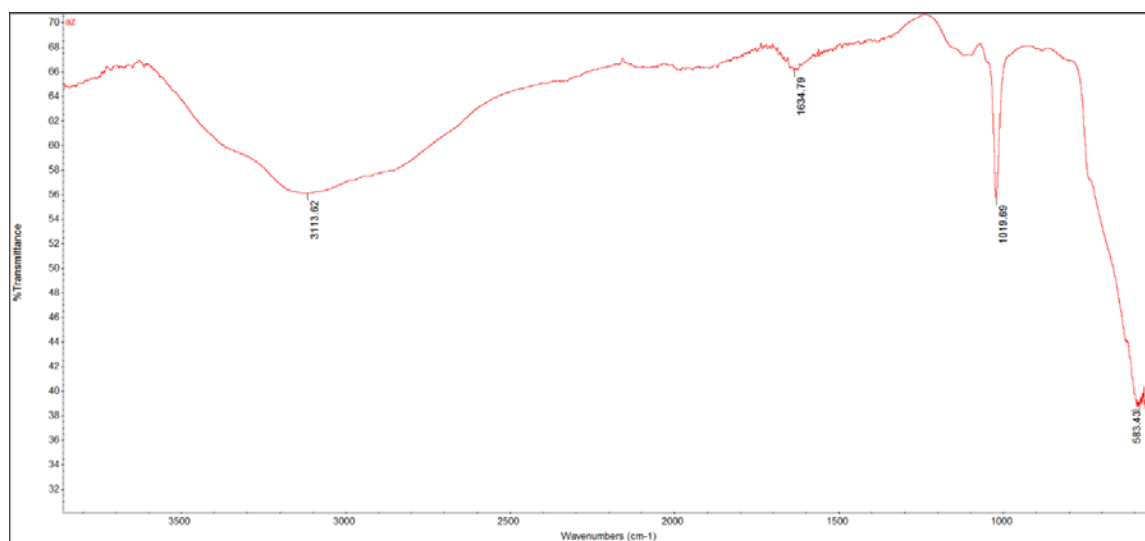


Fig. S2 FT-IR Spectrum of Fe/Pd bimetallic nanoparticles

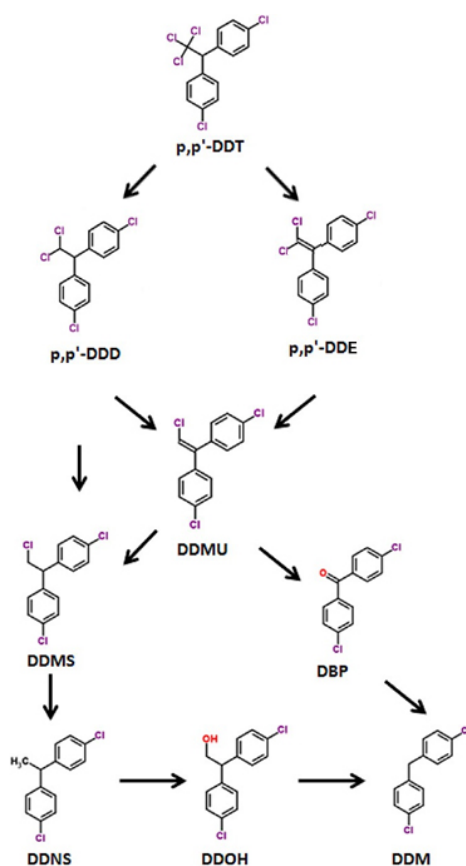


Fig. S3 DDT dechlorination mechanism (Sayles et al. 1997)

Table S1 ANOVA results regarding the DDT removal efficiency

Parameters	Coefficients	Std Err	<i>t</i> Stat	<i>P</i> -Value	Importance
Intersection	88.904	0.940	94.603	4.264 E-16	Very significant
x₁	8.659	0.589	14.700	4.244 E-08	Very significant
x₂	2.750	0.589	4.669	8.825 E-04	Very significant
x₃	-4.625	0.589	-7.851	1.386 E-05	Very significant
x ₁ x ₂	0.658	0.833	0.789	0.448	–
x ₁ x ₃	1.713	0.833	2.055	0.069	–
x ₂ x ₃	-0.805	0.833	-0.966	0.356	–
x₁²	-4.878	0.470	-10.381	1.126 E-06	Very significant
x ₂ ²	0.105	0.470	0.222	0.828	–
x ₃ ²	0.102	0.470	0.2172	0.832	–

Table S2 ANOVA results of the effluent DDD concentration

Parameters	Coefficients	Std Err	<i>t</i> Stat	<i>P</i> -Value	Importance
Intersection	1.232	0.135	9.094	3.77 E–06	Very significant
<i>x</i> ₁	–0.143	0.085	–1.687	0.122	–
<i>x</i>₂	0.288	0.085	3.397	0.007	Significant
<i>x</i>₃	1.061	0.085	12.496	1.99 E–07	Very significant
<i>x</i>₁ <i>x</i>₂	–0.288	0.120	–2.399	0.037	Significant
<i>x</i>₁ <i>x</i>₃	–0.374	0.120	–3.113	0.011	Significant
<i>x</i> ₂ <i>x</i> ₃	0.131	0.120	1.091	0.301	–
<i>x</i> ₁ ²	–0.125	0.068	–1.839	0.096	–
<i>x</i> ₂ ²	–0.089	0.068	–1.311	0.219	–
<i>x</i>₃²	0.594	0.068	8.768	5.23 E–06	Very significant

Table S3 ANOVA results of the effluent DDE concentration

Parameters	Coefficients	Std Err	<i>t</i> Stat	<i>P</i> -Value	Importance
Intersection	0.735	0.016	46.097	5.56 E–13	Very significant
<i>x</i> ₁	–0.006	0.010	–0.640	0.536	–
<i>x</i>₂	–0.047	0.010	–4.695	8.48 E–04	Very significant
<i>x</i>₃	0.102	0.010	10.213	1.31 E–06	Very significant
<i>x</i> ₁ <i>x</i> ₂	0.021	0.014	1.453	0.177	–
<i>x</i>₁ <i>x</i>₃	0.052	0.014	3.692	0.004	Significant
<i>x</i> ₂ <i>x</i> ₃	–0.016	0.014	–1.118	0.290	–
<i>x</i>₁²	–0.055	0.008	–6.934	4.02 E–05	Very significant
<i>x</i>₂²	–0.065	0.008	–8.122	1.03 E–05	Very significant
<i>x</i>₃²	–0.057	0.008	–7.145	3.12 E–05	Very significant

Table S4 Highest initial DDT concentration data providing carcinogen limit at the efflux

Variables	∞	Uncodded values
Reaction time (<i>x</i> ₁)	0.888	44.3 min
Fe/Pd Concentration (<i>x</i> ₂)	2	550 mg/L
Initial DDT Concentration (<i>x</i> ₃)	–0.334	109.95 μ g/L

Notes: The removal efficiency is 99.792%; the effluent DDT concentration is 0.229 μ g/L

Reference

Sayles G D, You G, Wang M, Kupferle M J (1997). DDT, DDD, and DDE dechlorination by zero-valent iron. *Environmental Science & Technology*, 31(12): 3448–3454