

Electronic Supplementary Material

Activated carbon-hybridized and amine-modified polyacrylonitrile nanofibers toward ultrahigh and recyclable metal ion and dye adsorption from wastewater

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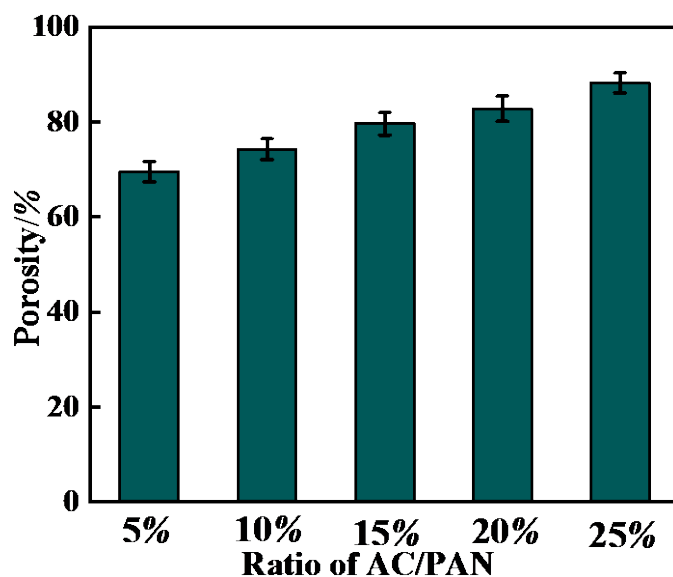


Fig. S1 The porosity of PAN/AC nanofibers with containing different ratios of AC.

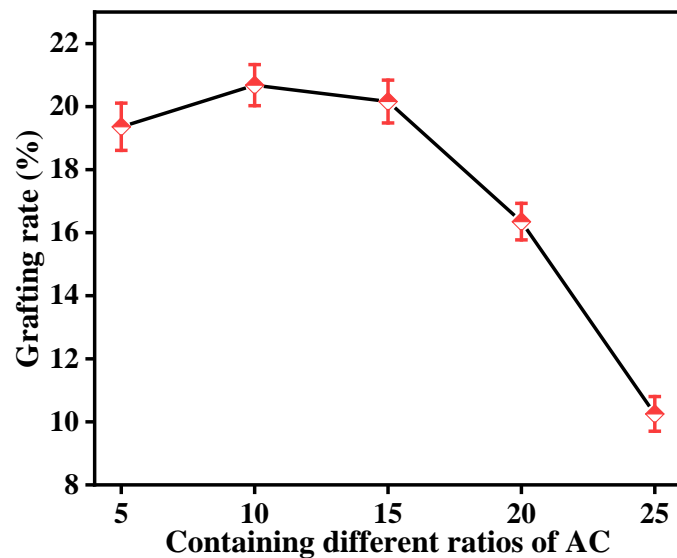


Fig. S2 The grafting rate of PAN/AC nanofibers with containing different ratios of AC.

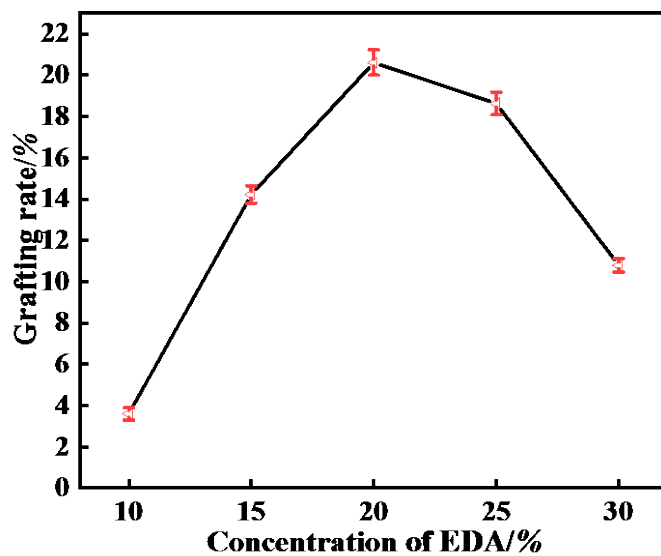


Fig. S3 The grafting rate of PAN/AC nanofibers with different concentrations of EDA.

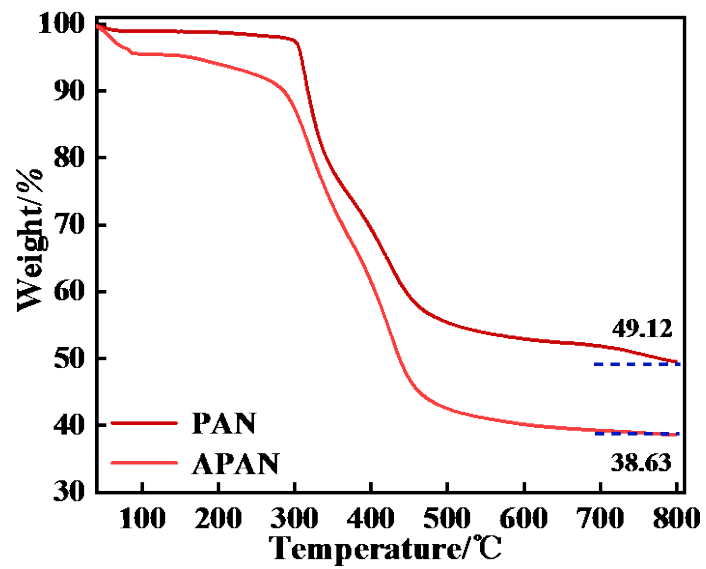


Fig. S4 TGA curves of PAN and APAN nanofibers.

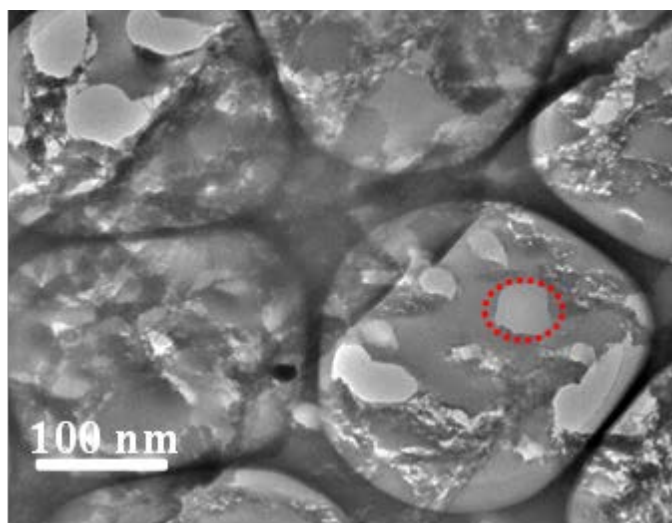


Fig. S5 Cross section TEM of APAN/AC nanofibers.

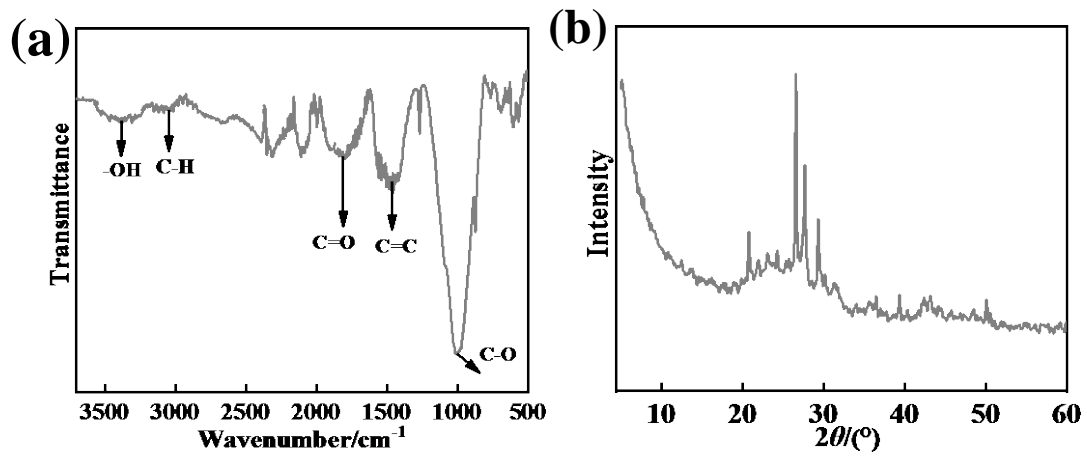


Fig. S6 FTIR and XRD spectrum of the AC.

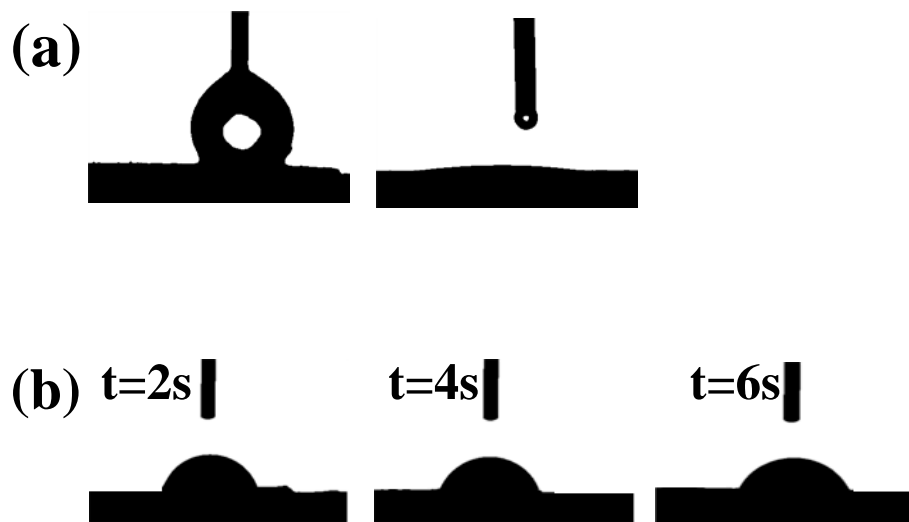


Fig. S7 Change of the water contact angles of (a) AC and (b) PAN nanofibers.

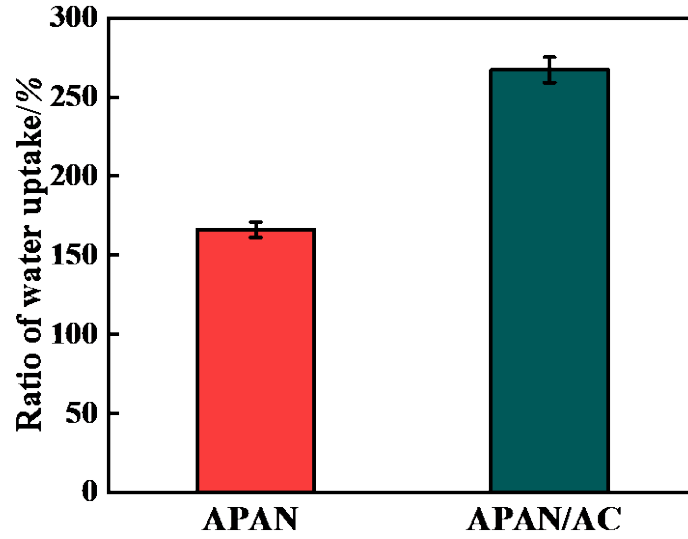


Fig. S8 The water uptake capacity of APAN and APAN/AC nanofibers.

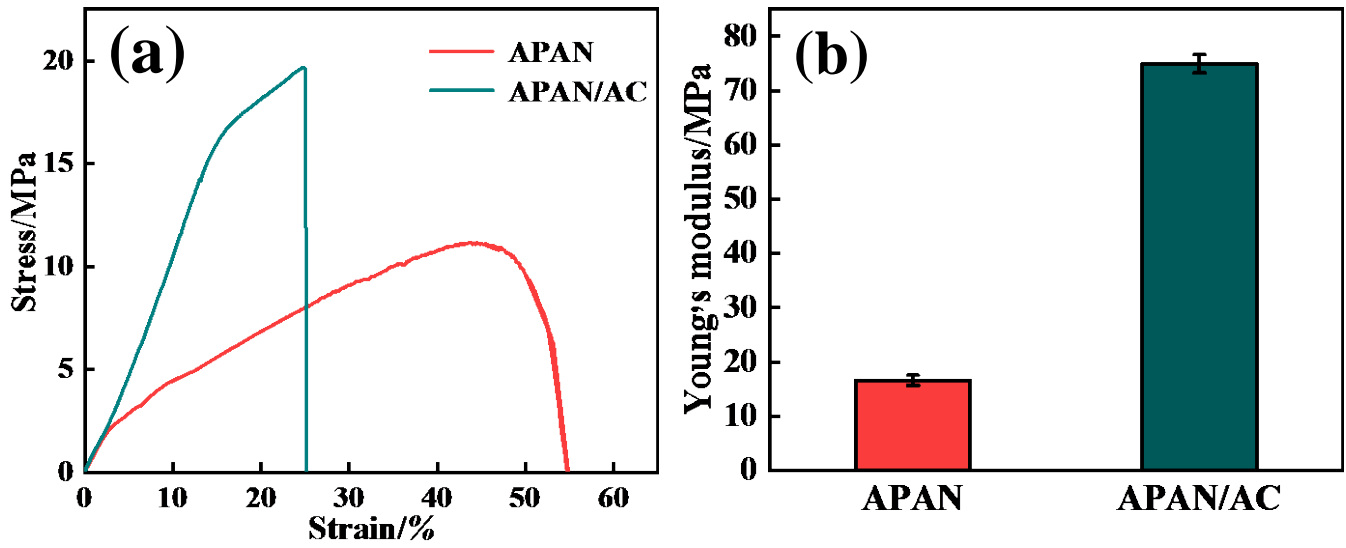


Fig. S9 (a) Tensile stress-strain curves and (b) Young's module of APAN and APAN/AC nanofibers.

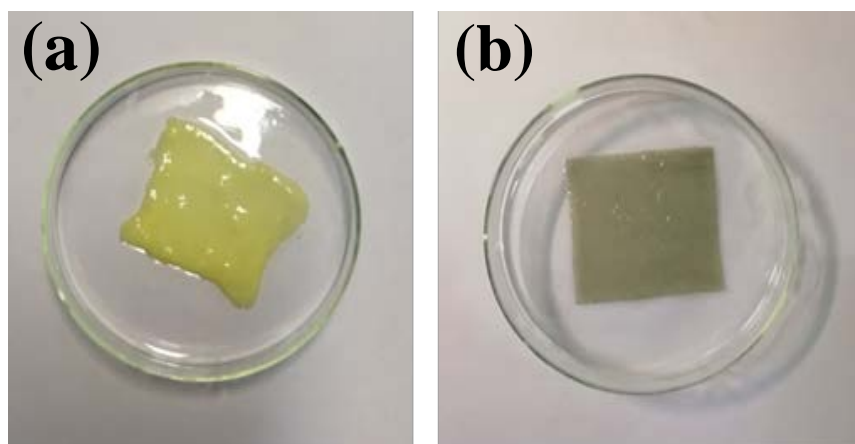


Fig. S10 The digital photos under identical ammoniating condition of (a) APAN and (b) APAN/AC nanofibers.

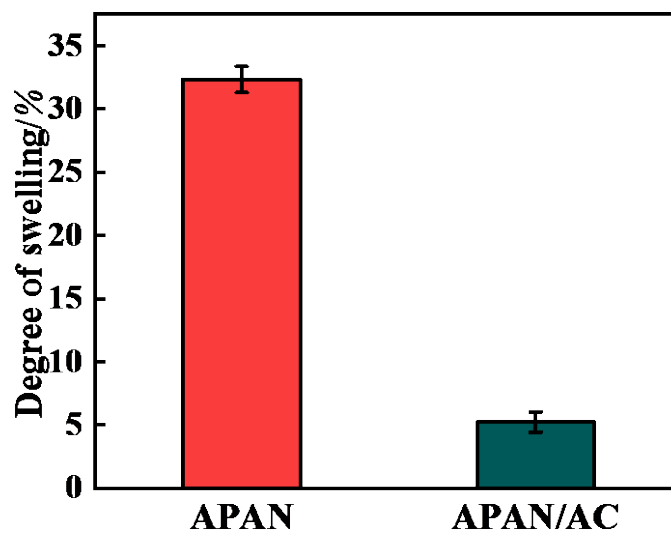


Fig. S11 The degree of swelling of APAN and APAN/AC nanofibers.

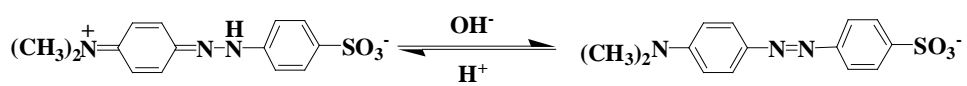


Fig. S12 Chemical structure of MO.

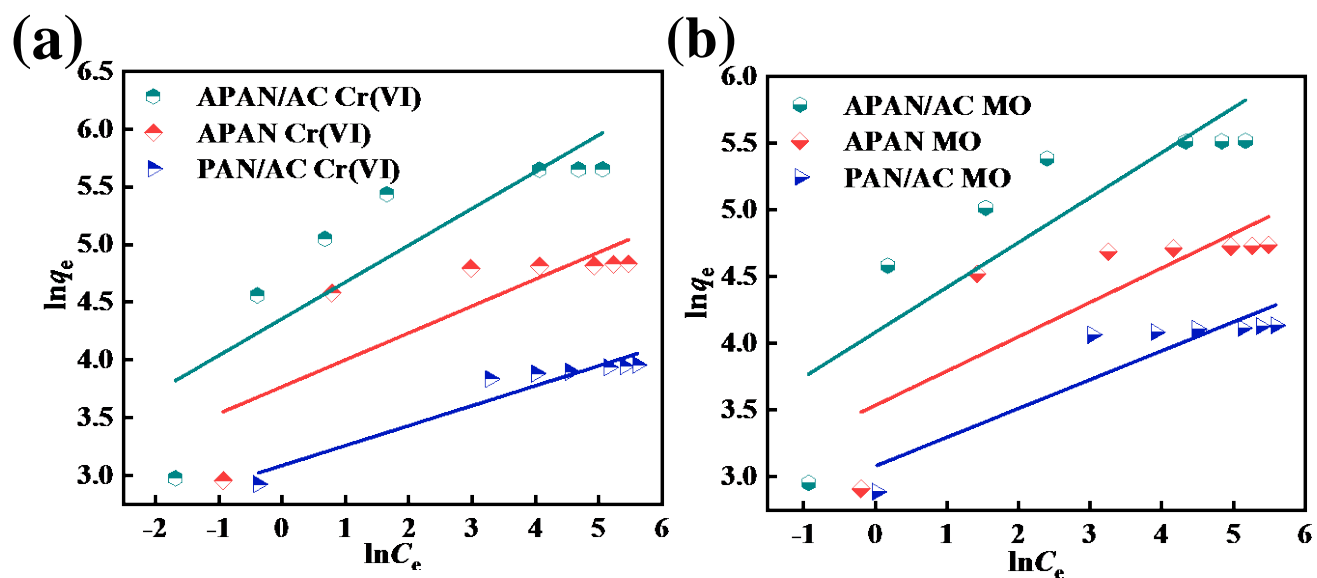


Fig. S13 Freundlich isotherm plots for APAN/AC, APAN and PAN/AC nanofibers of (a) Cr(VI) and (b) MO.

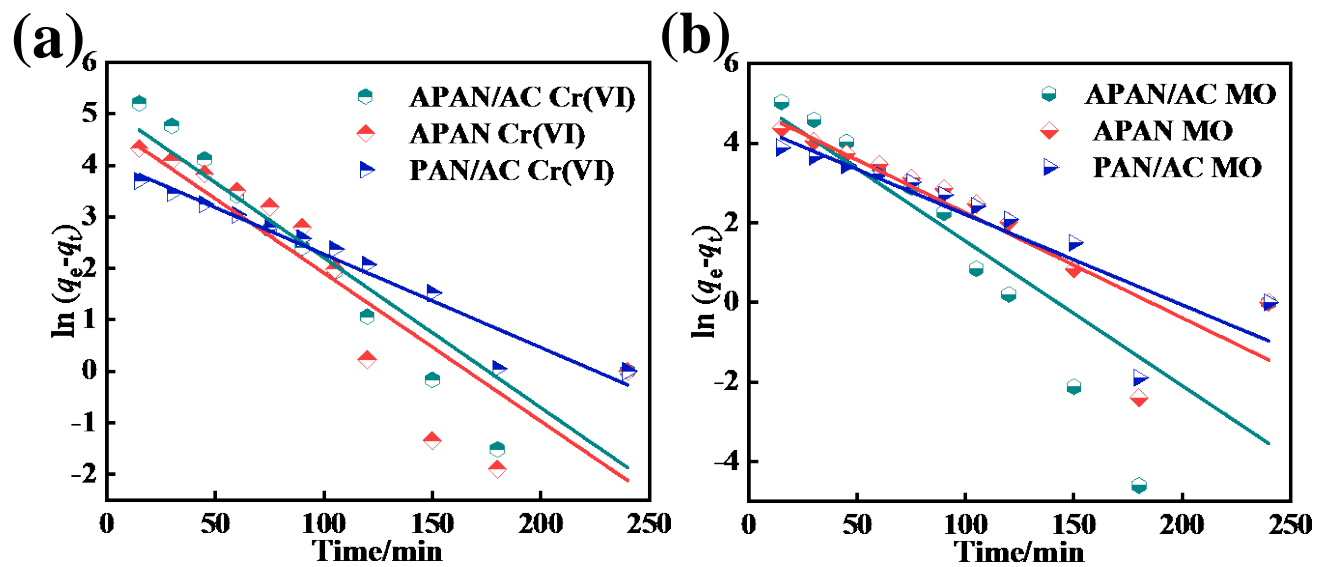


Fig S14. Pseudo-first-order kinetic plots for APAN/AC, APAN and PAN/AC nanofibers of (a) Cr(VI) and (b) MO.

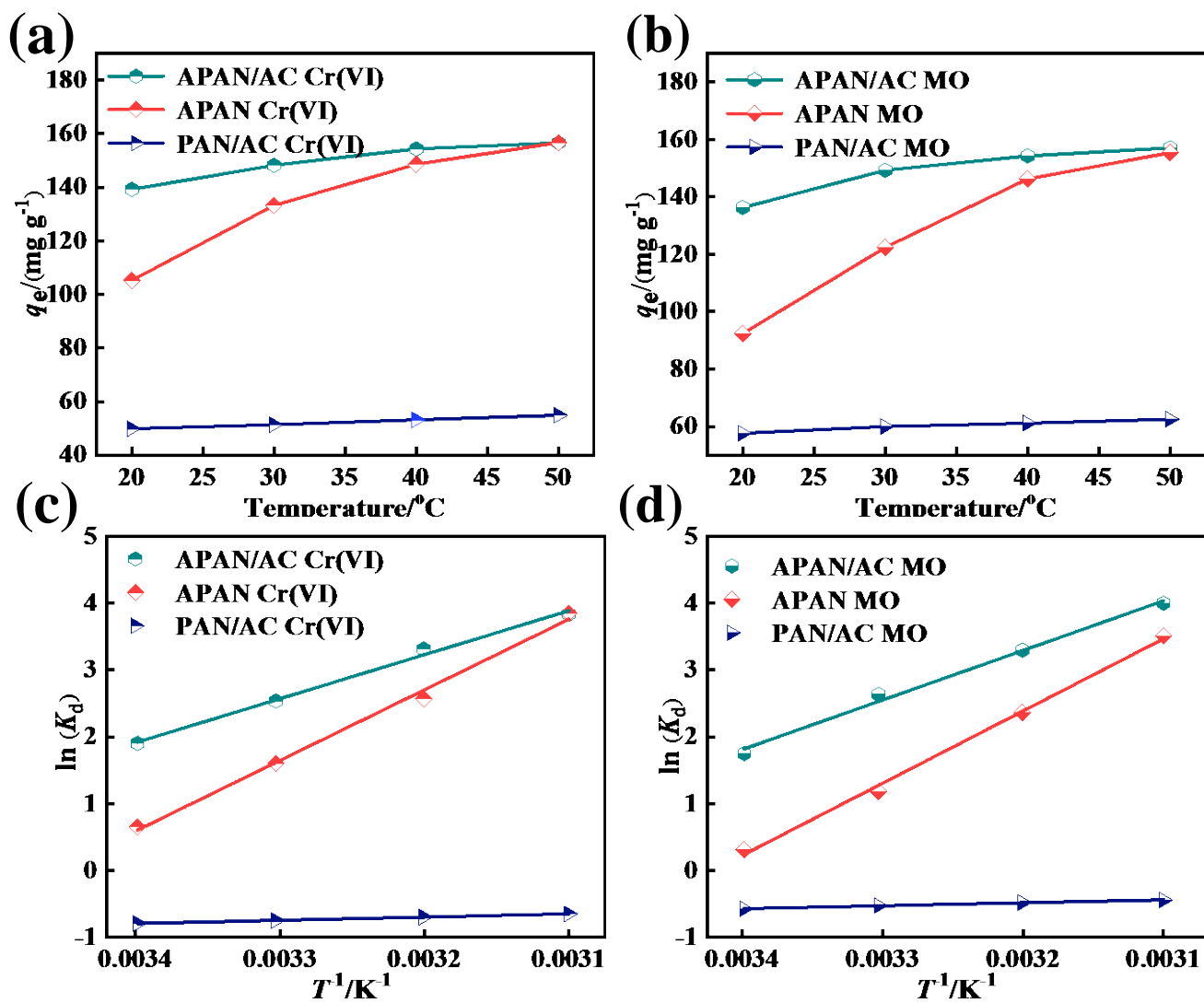


Fig S15 The effect of temperature plots for APAN/AC, APAN and PAN/AC nanofibers of (a) Cr(VI) and (b) MO, and dependence of $\ln K_d$ values on $1/T$ for c) Cr(VI) and d) MO.

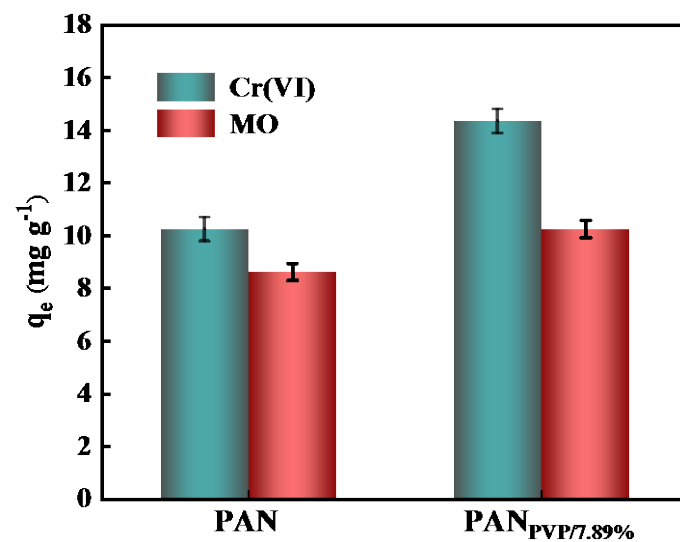


Fig. S16 The adsorption capacity of PAN and PAN_{PVP7.89%} nanofibers.

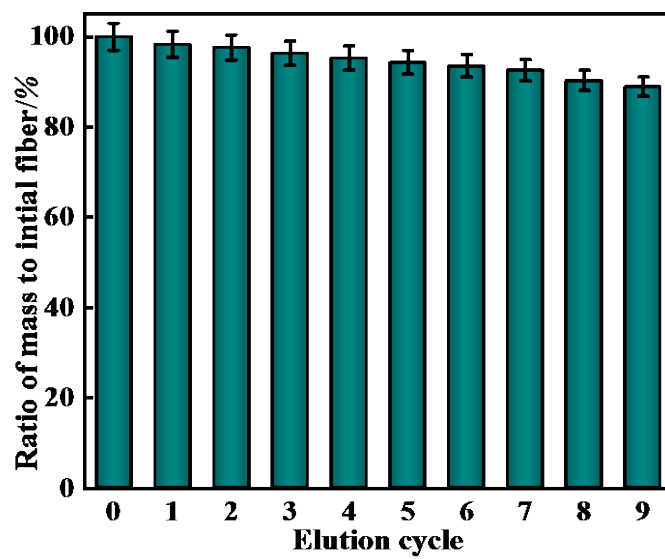


Fig. S17 The mass change of APAN/AC nanofibers after each round of elution.

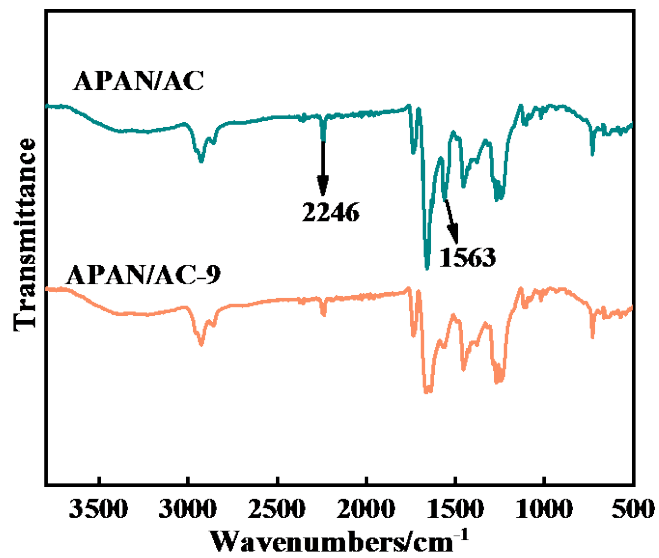


Fig. S18 FTIR spectra of APAN/AC and recycled APAN/AC nanofibers.

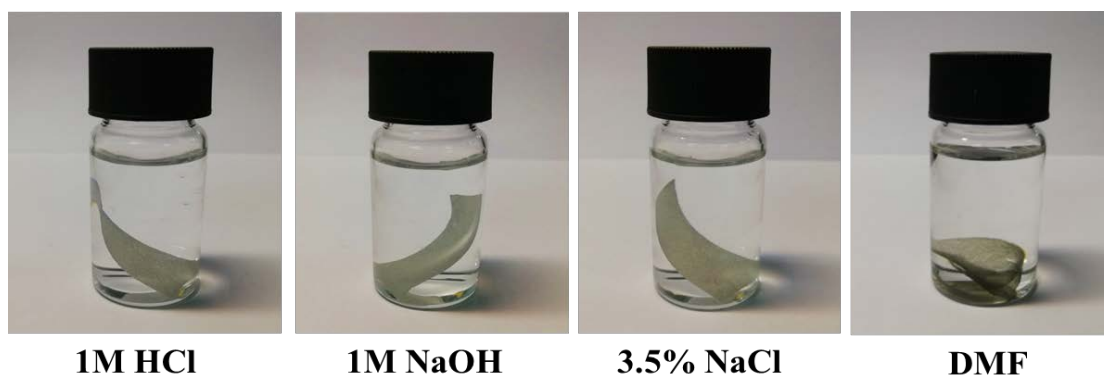


Fig. S19 The effect of stability of APAN/AC nanofibers at acid, base, salt, and polar solvents.

Table S1 The ratio of the initial added AC to PAN nanofibers.

AC/g	PAN/g	PVP/g	AC/PAN weight ratio
0	0.75	0.75	0
0.0375	0.75	0.75	0.05
0.0750	0.75	0.75	0.10
0.1125	0.75	0.75	0.15
0.150	0.75	0.75	0.20
0.1875	0.75	0.75	0.25

Table S2 Comparison of the maximum adsorption capacity for Cr(VI) on different adsorbents.

Adsorbents	q_e /(mg g ⁻¹)	References
Ficusglomerata	23	[1]
Polyacrylonitrile fiber	32	[2]
Hydrochar-PEI	33	[3]
Apple peels	36	[4]
Water-insoluble cross-linked PEI (CPEI)	40	[5]
MWCNTs-PEI	40	[5]
Rice husk-PEI	43	[6]
Magnetic Nanocarbon	43	[7]
Carbonaceous	54	[8]
nanofibrous composite microfiltration membranes	67	[9]
Paper-PEI	68	[10]
Halloysite nanotubes-PEI	103	[11]
APF	133	[12]
Populus fiber-g-PA	180	[13]
APAN/AC	284	This Work

Table S3 Comparison of the maximum adsorption capacity for MO on different adsorbents.

Adsorbents	q_e / (mg g ⁻¹)	References
Multiwall carbon nanotubes (MWCNT)	50	[14]
Konjac glucomannan/graphene oxide hydrogel	52	[15]
Protonated cross-linked chitosan	89	[16]
EDTA functionalized Polyacrylonitrile (PAN/EDTA)	99	[17]
Carbon-coated monolith	102	[18]
PAN/PAMAM Blend Nanofiber Mats	120	[19]
Polyimide-derived laser-induced graphene	132	[20]
N-doped mesoporous carbon (N-OMC)	136	[21]
Acid-functionalized carbon coated monolith	147	[22]
Alkali-activated multi-walled carbon nanotubes	149	[14]
N-doped mesoporous carbon	151	[21]
Activated carbon/NiFe ₂ O ₄ magnetic composite	183	[23]
PCs-0.5-800	188	[24]
Fe ₃ O ₄ -N-doped mesoporous carbon	200	[25]
APAN/AC	248	This Work

Table S4 The thermodynamic parameters of APAN and PAN/AC nanofibers.

Temperature/K	ΔG^0 / (kJ mol ⁻¹)		ΔH^0 / (kJ mol ⁻¹)		ΔS^0 / (J mol ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	
	APAN	PAN/AC	APAN	PAN/AC	APAN	PAN/AC
Cr (VI)	293	-1.1				
	303	-4.14				
	313	-7.18				
	323	-10.21				
MO	293	-0.21				
	303	-3.28				
	303	-6.36	89.90	2.43	307.53	8.59
	323	-9.43				

Supporting calculation formula

The mass ratio of PAN: PVP: AC was 1:1:0.5 in the PAN/PVP/AC nanofibers. Then, the mass of PVP (W_0 , g) inside PAN/PVP/AC nanofibers and the mass loss of PVP (W_1 , g) during water treatment were calculated. The proportion of remained PVP (R_{PVP}) was calculated as follows:

$$R_{PVP}(\%) = \frac{W_0 - W_1}{W_0} \times 100 \quad (S1)$$

$$\text{Grafting rate}(\%) = \left(\frac{W_2 - W_3}{W_2} \right) \times 100 \quad (S2)$$

Where, W_2 (g) and W_3 (g) represent the weights before and after PAN/AC grafting, respectively.

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