

Supplementary Materials

Comparative Performance of Citrate, Borohydride, Hydroxylamine and β -Cyclodextrin Silver Sols for Detecting Ibuprofen and Caffeine Pollutants by Means of Surface-Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy

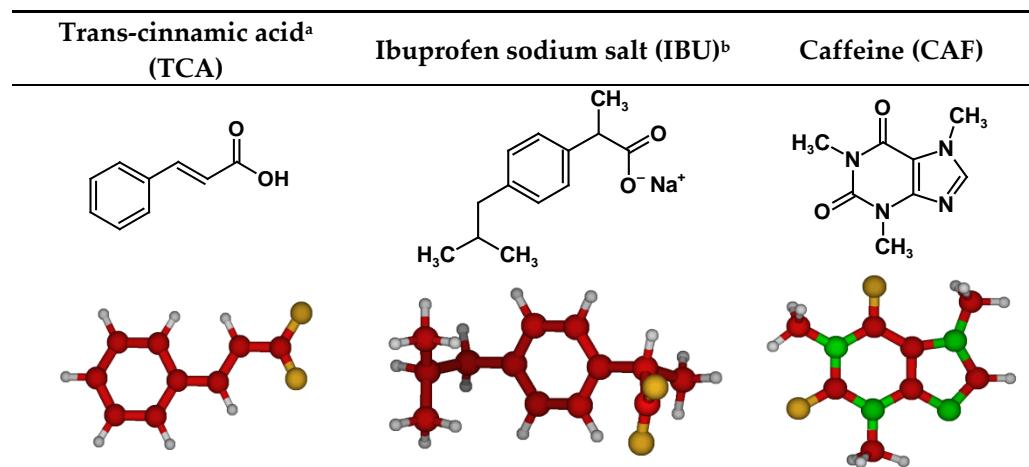
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Table S1. Pictorial representation and B3LYP/6-31G* optimized structures of the studied molecules.



a, b: Optimization of trans-cinnamate and (S)-IBU in the theoretical calculations.

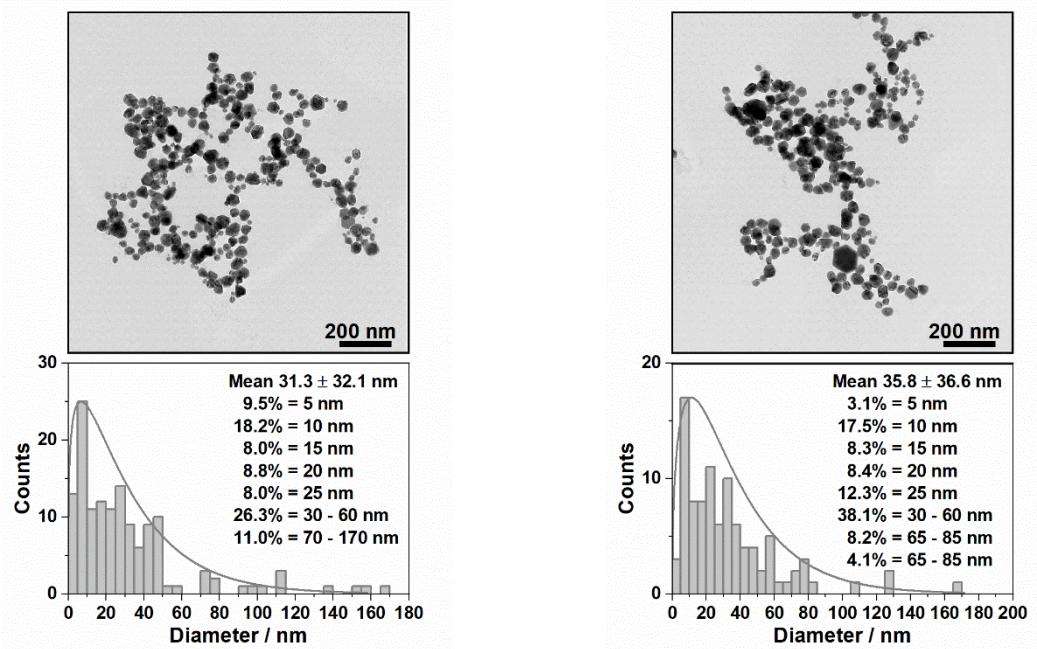


Figure S1. Two TEM images and their respective histograms of Ag@βCD1 NPs.

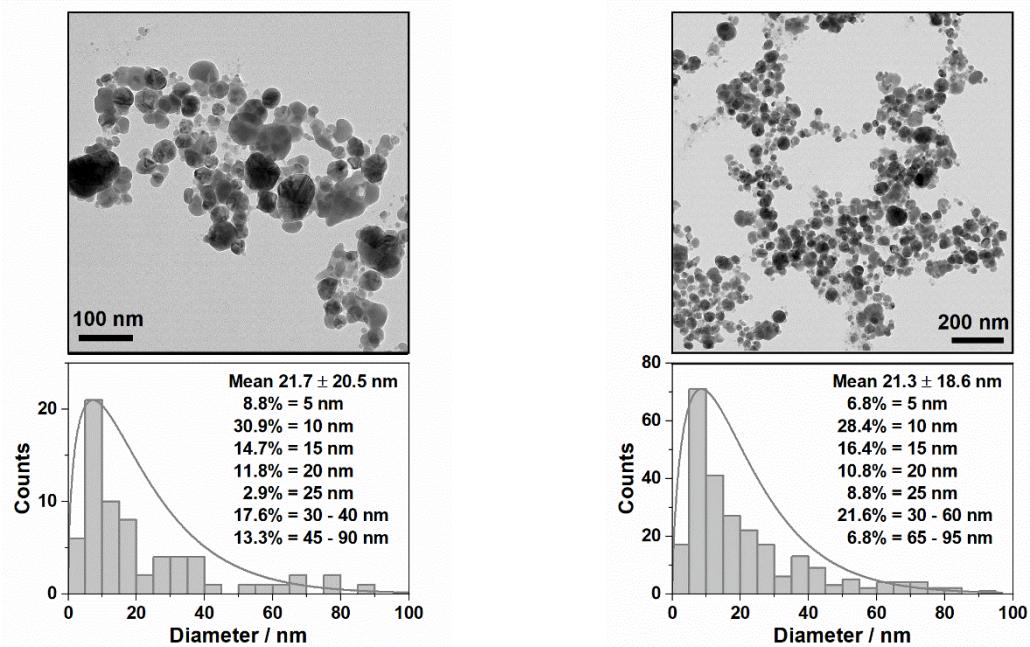


Figure S2. Two TEM images and their respective histograms of Ag@βCD2 NPs.

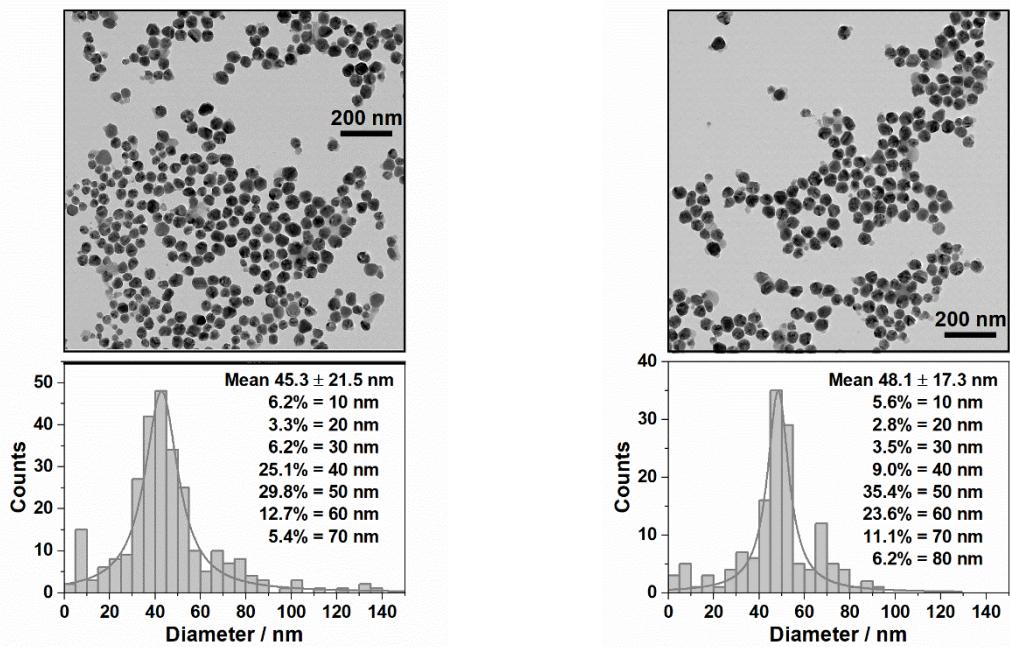


Figure S3. Two TEM images and their respective histograms of Ag@ β CD3.

Table S2. Vibrational assignment proposed for the characteristic bands of TCA.

Raman Solid	SERS Ag@BH	SERS Ag@HX	SERS Ag@Citr	SERS Ag@ β CD2	SERS Ag@ β CD3	B3LYP ^a 6-31G*	Assignment ^b
1636	1635	1636	1636	1634	1635	1676	v(C=C)
1599	1600	1601	1602	1600	1601	1654	8a;v _{ring}
			1576	1586		1623	8b;v _{ring}
1495			1496	1488	1497	1541	19a;v _{ring}
1442	1450	1447	1449	1422	1449	1490	19b;v _{ring}
1328	1384	1388	1388	1378	1378	1354	vs(COO)
1291				1290	1291	1314	$\delta(\text{CH})_{\text{et}} + \delta(\text{CH})_{\text{bz}}$
1265	1253	1253	1253	1251	1254	1259	v(C _{bz} -C _{et})+ v(C-COO)
1211	1205	1206	1204	1204	1207	1216	$\delta(\text{CH})_{\text{et}} + \delta(\text{CH})_{\text{bz}}$
1177	1182	1182	1182		1180	1200	$\delta(\text{CH})_{\text{et}} + \delta(\text{CH})_{\text{bz}}$
1160	1161			1162	1162	1183	$\delta(\text{CH})_{\text{bz}}$
1000	1000	1002	1002	1002	1002	1012	12; δ_{ring}
				720		723	1;v _{ring} + $\delta(\text{COO})$
				560		581	6a; δ_{ring} + v(C-COO)

a: Vibrational wavenumbers of trans-cinnamate. b: Wilson's nomenclature, v: stretching, δ : in-plane deformation, bz: benzene, et: ethylene.

Table S3. Vibrational assignment proposed for the characteristic bands of CAF.

Raman solid	SERS Ag@BH	SERS Ag@HX	SERS Ag@Citr	SERS Ag@ β CD3	B3LYP/ 6-31G*	Assignment ^a
1699	1689	1714	1680	1680	1755	$\nu(C=O) + \nu(CN)_{Pyrm}$
1607	1606	1605			1641	$\nu(CC)_{Pyrm-Im} + \nu(CC)_{Pyrm}$
	1360	1363			1370	$\delta(CH_3) + \nu(N-CH_3) + \nu(CN)_{Pyrm-Im}$
1337	1330	1324		1329	1396	$\nu(CN)_{Im}$
1242	1251	1238	1252	1254	1269	$\nu(CN)_{Pyrm} + \nu(CH)_{Im}$
1081	1075				1095	$\delta(CH_3)_{Im} + \nu(CN)_{Im}$
1036	1008		1010	1008	1046	$\nu(CN)_{Pyrm} + r(CH_3)_{Pyrm} + \delta(CH)_{Im}$
743	748	745			757	$\delta(CN)_{Im} + \nu(C-CH_3)_{Im}$
	695	696	695	694	700/737	$\gamma(CH)_{Im}/\tau(CN)_{Pyrm}$
653	647	647	649	649	648	6a; $\delta(CN)_{Pyrm}$
557	507	555		507	557	1; $\nu(CC, CN)_{Pyrm}$

a: Nomenclature, ν : stretching, δ : in-plane deformation, γ : out-of-plane deformation, Pyrm: Pyrimidine, Im: Imidazole. Wilson's nomenclature for two last normal modes, 6a and 1, according to the benzene-like molecules.

Table S4. Vibrational assignment proposed for the characteristic bands of IBU.

Raman solid	SERS Ag@BH	SERS Ag@HX	SERS Ag@Citr	SERS Ag@ β CD3	B3LYP/ 6-31G*	Assignment ^a
	1652	1652			1759	$\nu(C=O)$
1612	1614	1612	1612	1613	1661	8a; ν_{ring}
1463	1463	1461	1461	1459	1464	19a; $\nu_{ring} + \nu(COO)$
	1390	1391	1391		1415	$\nu(COO) + \delta(CH_3)$
	1360	1358	1358	1360	1397	$\delta(CH_2) + \delta(CH_3)$
1287	1254	1260	1257	1257	1317	14; $\nu_{ring} + \delta(CH)_{chiral}$
1187	1186	1185	1184	1185	1204	$\delta(CH)_{bz} + \nu(C_{bz}-CH_{chiral})$
		1002	1002		1041	12; δ_{ring}
837	886	887	887	887	900	$r(CH_2) + r(CH_3)$
801	834	834	834	835	841	1; $\nu_{ring} + r(CH_3)$
		803	801	801	811	$r(CH_3) + \gamma(COO) + \gamma(CH)_{bz}$

a: Wilson's nomenclature, ν : stretching, δ : in-plane deformation, γ : out-of-plane deformation, r : rocking.

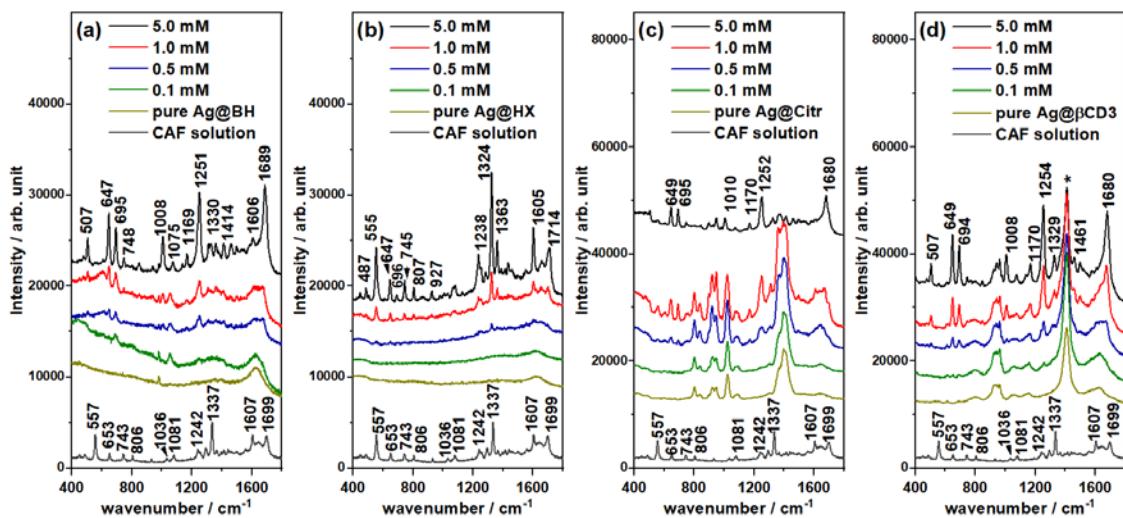


Figure S4. Original SERS spectra of CAF recorded at different concentration and using the NPs (a) Ag@BH; (b) Ag@HX; (c) Ag@Citr and (d) Ag@ β CD3.

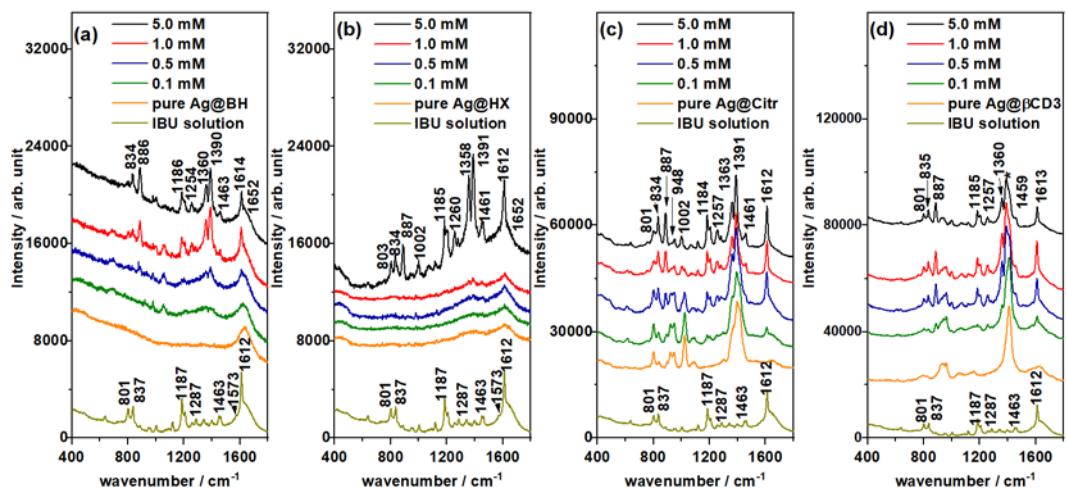


Figure S5. Original SERS spectra of IBU recorded at different concentration and using the NPs (a) Ag@BH; (b) Ag@HX; (c) Ag@Citr and (d) Ag@ β CD3.