

# Supporting Information (SI)

## *Selective partial hydrogenation of methyl linoleate using highly active palladium nanoparticles in polyethylene glycol*

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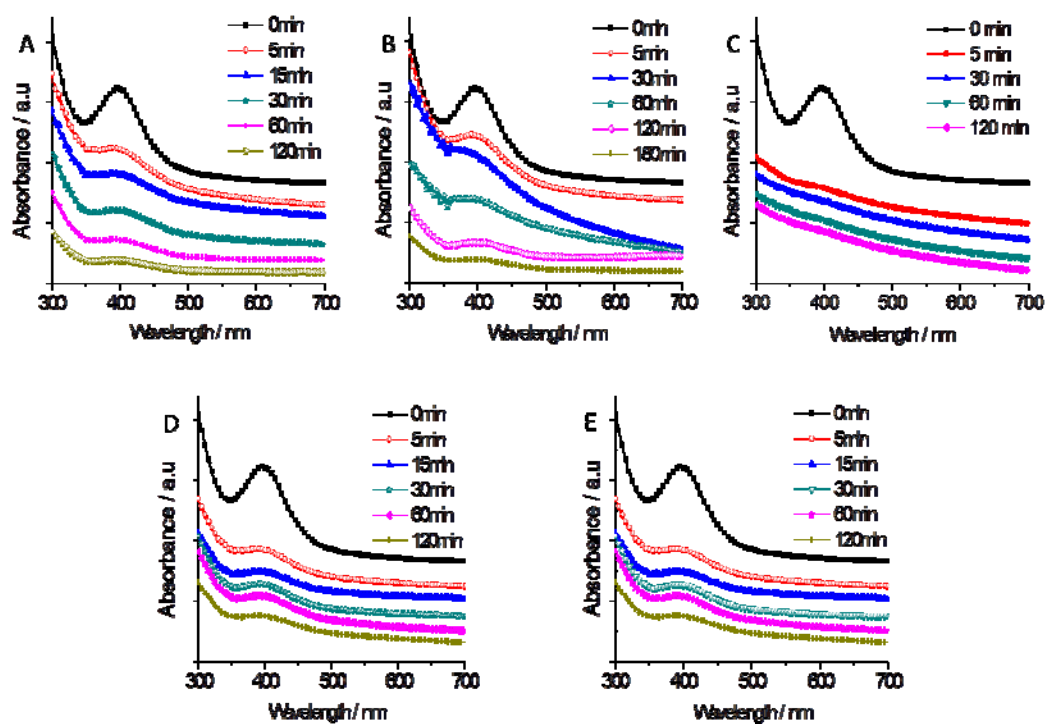
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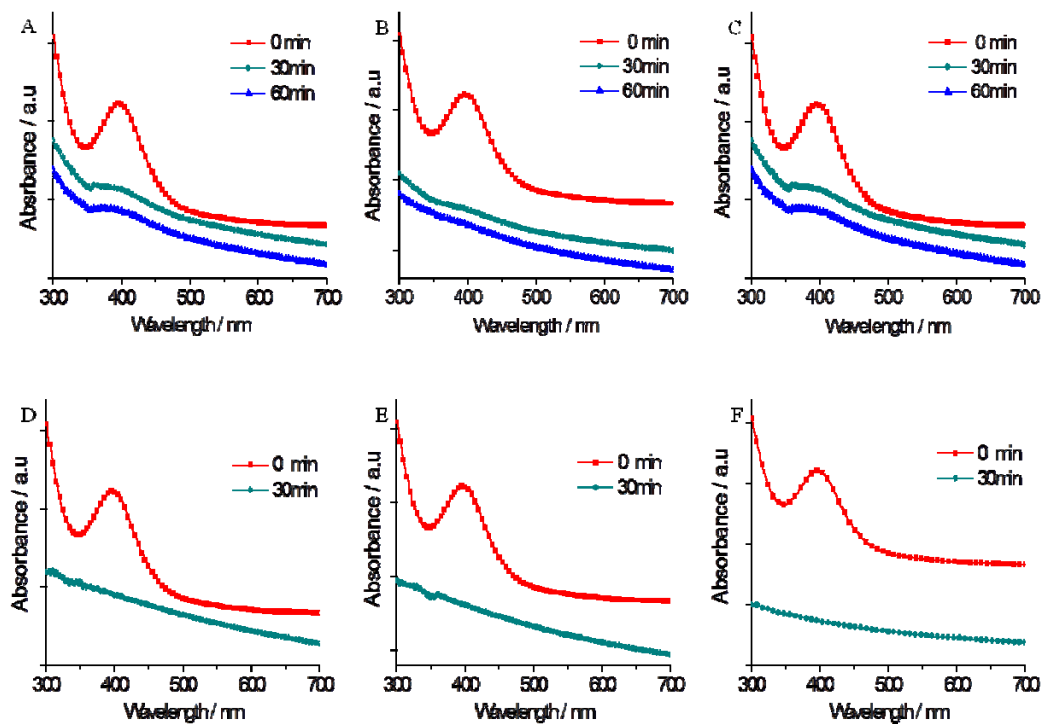
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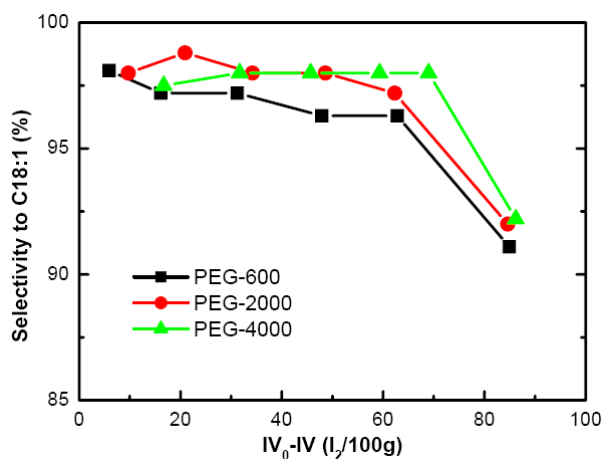


**Fig S1.** UV-vis spectra of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG400 (A), Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG600 (B), Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG1000 (C), Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG2000 (D) and Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG4000 (E).

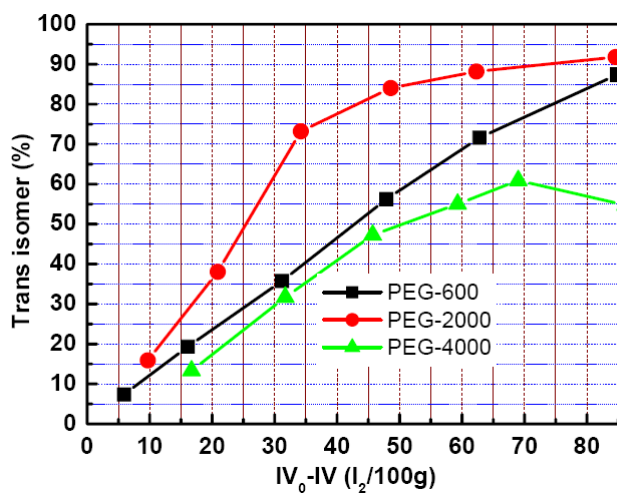


**Fig S2.** UV-vis spectra of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG2000 and Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>/PEG4000 with different

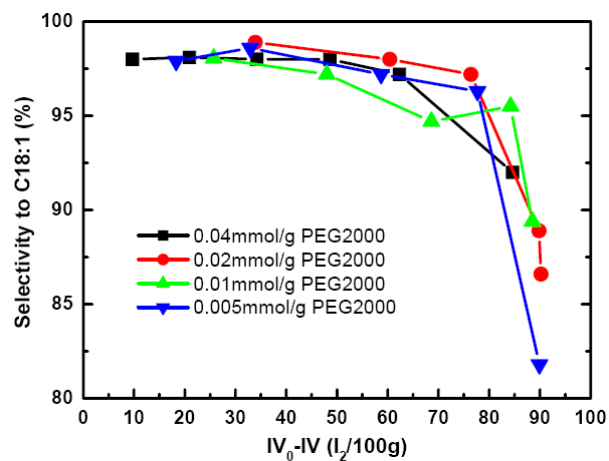
Pd concentration: (A) Pd/PEG2000=0.02mmol/g; (B) Pd/PEG2000=0.01mmol/g; (C) Pd/PEG2000=0.005mmol/g; (D) Pd/PEG4000=0.02mmol/g; (E) Pd/PEG4000=0.01mmol/g; (F) Pd/PEG4000=0.005mmol/g.



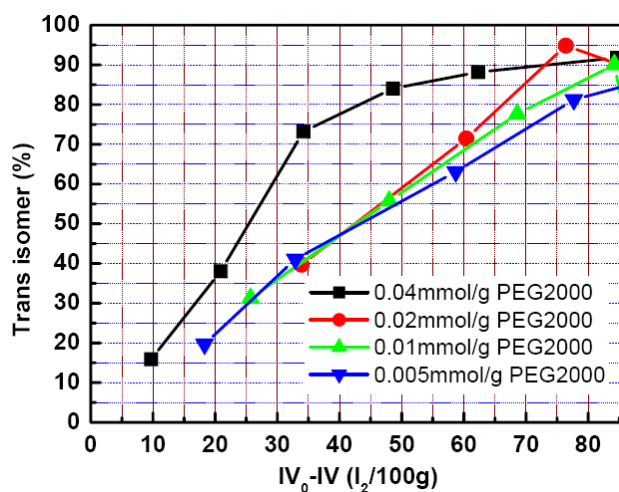
**Fig S3.** The methyl oleate selectivity with different PEG. (The selectivity= methyl oleate (mol)/converted methyl linoleate (mol); IV<sub>0</sub> corresponded to the iodine value of methyl linoleate (172), IV corresponded to the iodine value of hydrogenated product.)



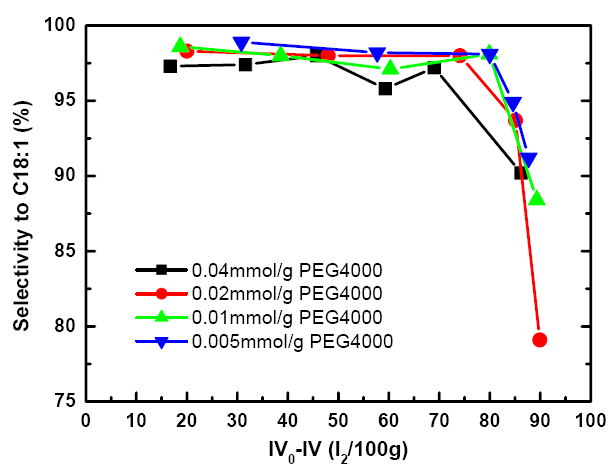
**Fig S4.** The *trans* isomer selectivity with different PEG. (IV<sub>0</sub> corresponded to the iodine value of methyl linoleate (172), IV corresponded to the iodine value of hydrogenated product.)



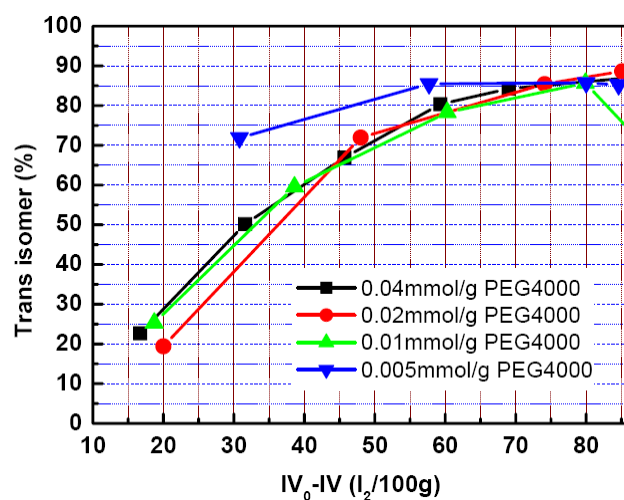
**Fig S5.** The methyl oleate selectivity at different Pd concentration in PEG2000.



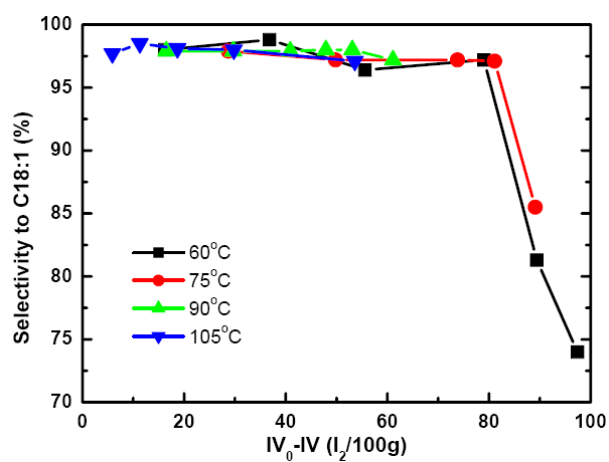
**Fig S6.** The *trans* isomer selectivity at different Pd concentration in PEG2000.



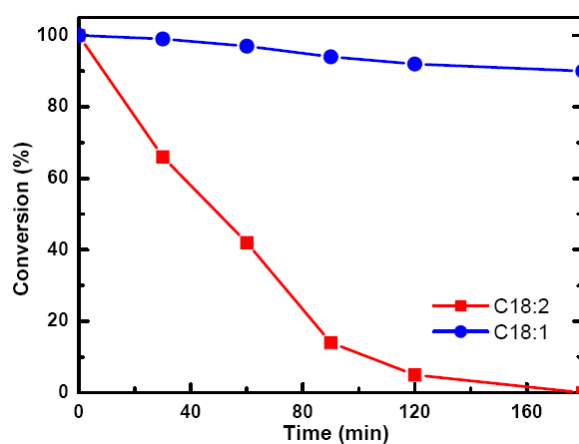
**Fig S7.** The methyl oleate selectivity at different Pd concentration in PEG4000.



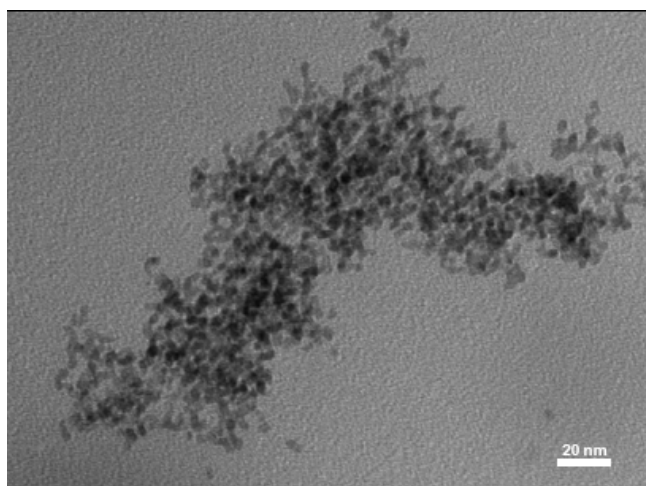
**Fig S8.** The *trans* isomer selectivity at different Pd concentration in PEG4000.



**Fig S9.** The methyl oleate selectivity at different reduction temperatures.



**Fig S10.** Hydrogenation rate of methyl oleate in comparison with methyl linoleate in the presence of Pd-PEG4000 catalyst.



**Fig S11.** Pd-PEG4000 has be characterized by TEM after the recycling.

**Table S1.** Comparation of presented work and wetness impregnation for Pd catalysts

Nano-Pd catalyst	Reducing agent	Temp.& Time	Atmosphere	Lab instrument	Experimental skill
Pd-PEGn	PEG	75°C, 0.5-1.0 h	Air	-	Middle
Pd/SiO <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> ( <i>Handling carefully!</i> )	Calcined at 300-400 °C for 2-3 h, and reduced at 250-300 °C for 2-4 h under a H <sub>2</sub> flow.	O <sub>2</sub> for calcination, H <sub>2</sub> for reducing	Tube furnace	High

**Table S2.** Comparison of *trans*-isomers produced in hydrogenation of FAMEs by different Pd catalysts.

Pd catalyst	Reaction conditions	Biodiesel	<i>Trans</i> isomers/C18:0 (%)	IV of hydrogenated product (I <sub>2</sub> /100g)	Reference
Pd/SiO <sub>2</sub>	80°C, <b>30</b> atm of H <sub>2</sub>	Rapeseed oil	29.9%/8.5%	75	J Am Oil Chem Soc (2013) 90:1431-1438
Pd/ImS3-12@Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	80°C, <b>75</b> atm of H <sub>2</sub>	Soybean oil FAME	33%/18%	65	Applied Catalysis A: General (2012) 433-434:

					109-114
Pd/C 5%	80°C, <b>75</b> atm of H <sub>2</sub>	Soybean oil FAME	24%/50%	31	Applied
					Catalysis A: General (2012) 433-434: 109-114
Pd(0)/BMI·BF <sub>4</sub>	80°C, <b>10</b> atm of H <sub>2</sub>	Soybean oil FAME	32%/5%	81	Catal. Sci.
					Technol., (2011) 1: 480-488
Pd(0)/BMI·BF <sub>4</sub>	80°C, <b>75</b> atm of H <sub>2</sub>	Soybean oil FAME	24%/11%	75	
Pd-PEGn	75°C, <b>10</b> atm of H <sub>2</sub>	Sunflower oil FAME	24%/6%	77	This work