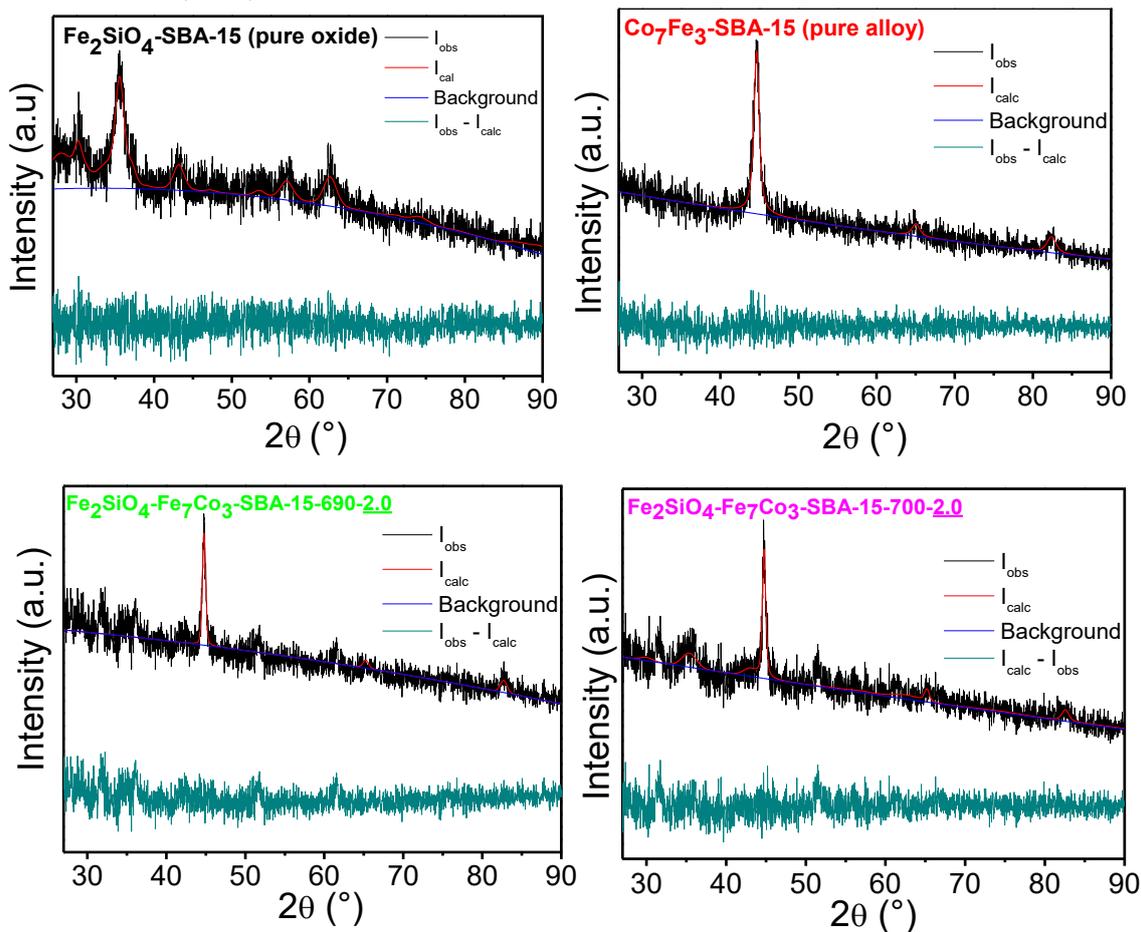


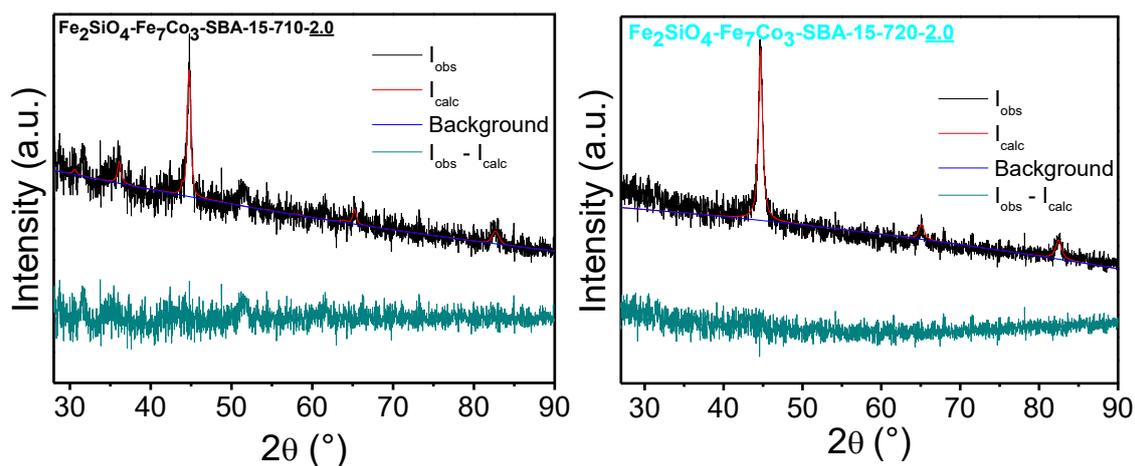
# Supplementary Material

## Synthesis of $\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3$ Nanocomposite Dispersed in the Mesoporous SBA-15: Application as Magnetically Separable Adsorbent

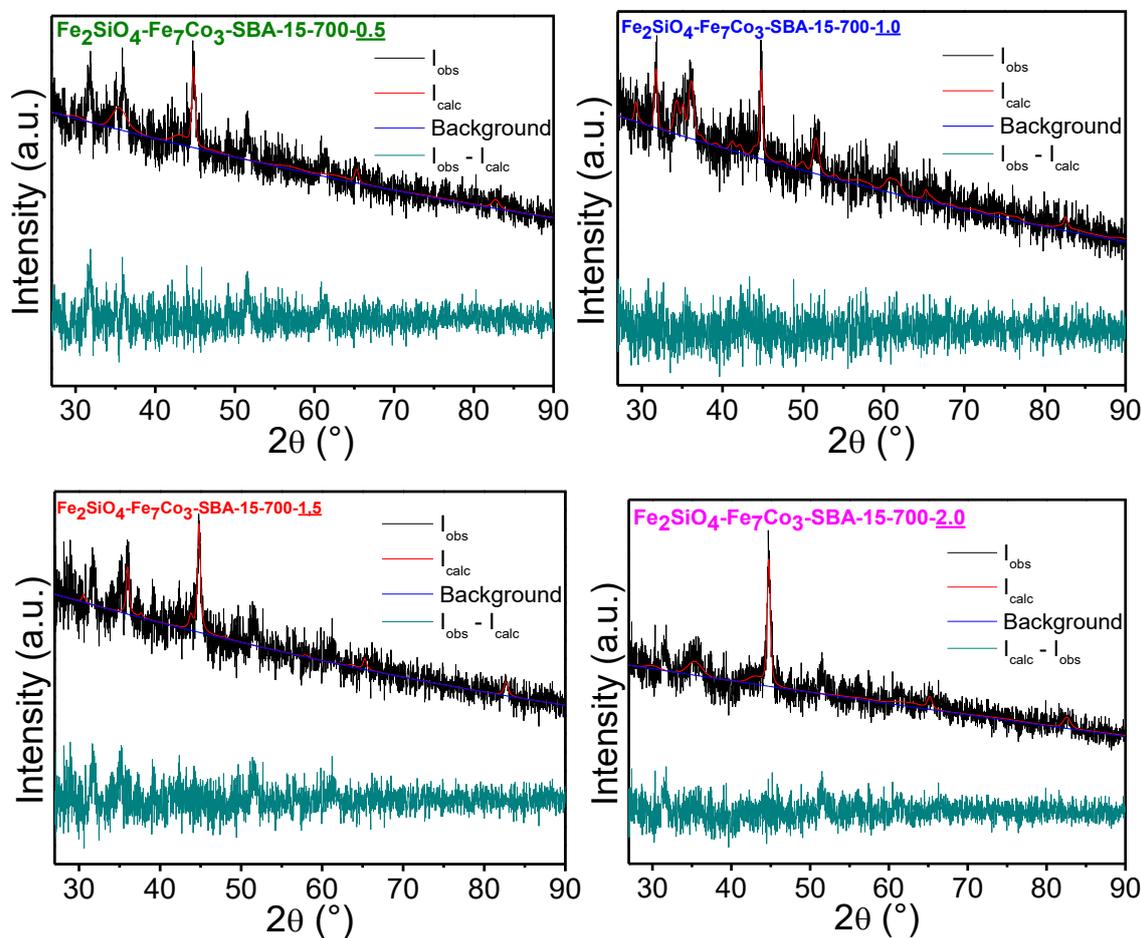
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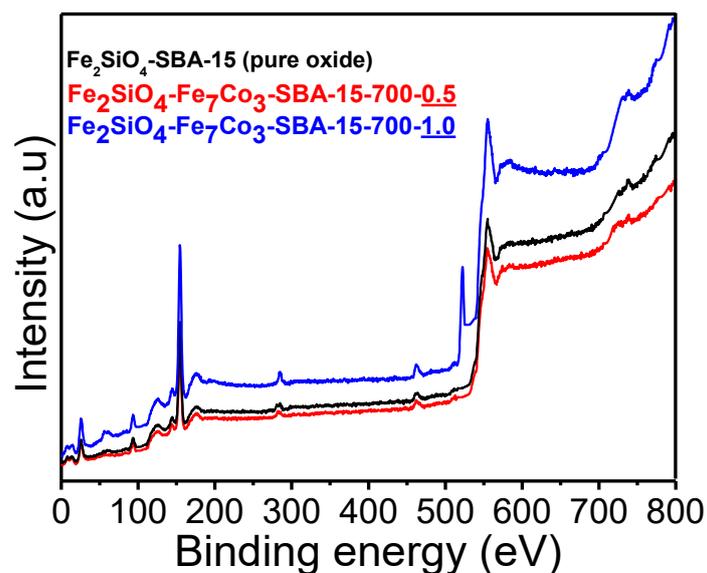




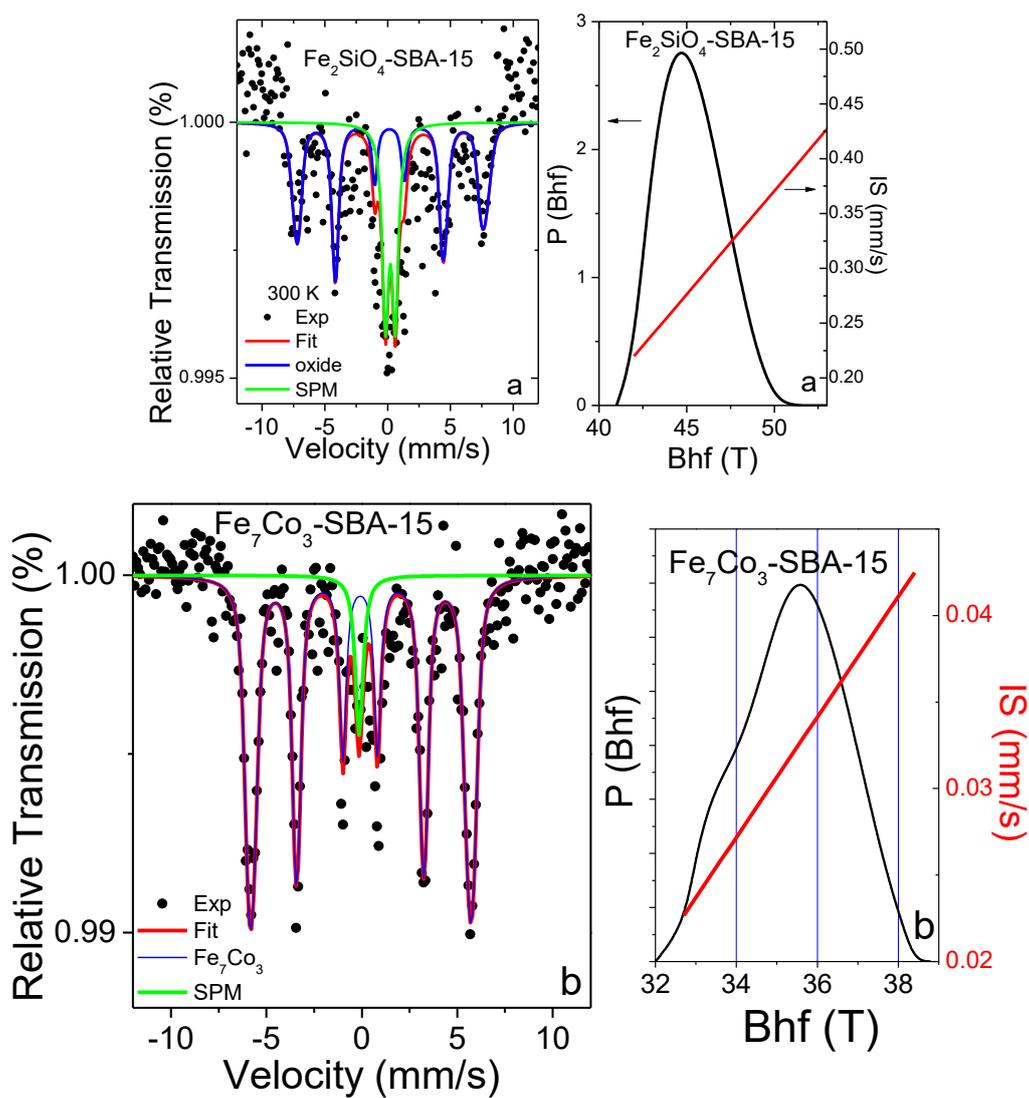
**Figure S1.** Results obtained by the Rietveld refinement for the study concerning the reduction temperature variation, for the oxide dispersed on SBA-15 and for the alloy dispersed on SBA-15.

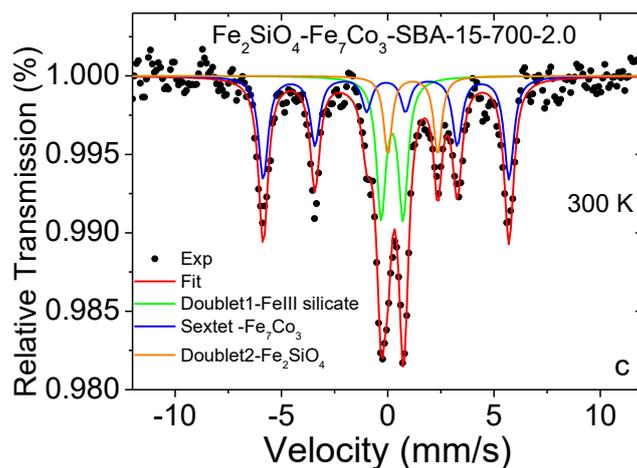


**Figure S2.** Results obtained by Rietveld refinement for the study related to hydrogen content variation.

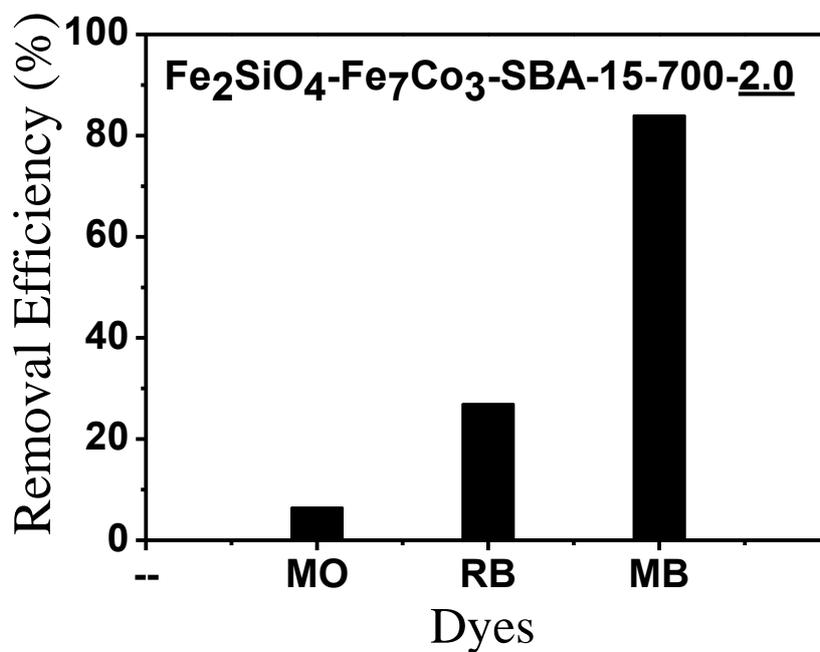


**Figure S3.** XPS wide scan spectrum for solids containing oxide dispersed on SBA-15; and the mixture oxide and alloy dispersed on SBA-15.





**Figure S4.** Mössbauer spectrum at 300K. (a) for the sample  $\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-SBA-15}$ ; (b) for the material  $\text{Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15}$ ; and (c) for the solid  $\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-2.0}$ .



**Figure S5.** Degradation performance of methylene blue (MB), methyl orange (MO) and rhodamine B (RB) for the nanocomposite  $\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-2.0}$ .

**Table S1.** Different synthesized samples according to reduction temperature and percentage of  $\text{H}_2$ .

Samples	Reduction temperature	Percentage of $\text{H}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-690-2.0}$	690 °C	2.0% $\text{H}_2$ / 99.5% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-700-2.0}$	700 °C	2.0% $\text{H}_2$ / 99.0% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-710-2.0}$	710 °C	2.0% $\text{H}_2$ / 98.0% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-720-2.0}$	720 °C	2.0% $\text{H}_2$ / 98.0% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-700-0.5}$	700 °C	0.5% $\text{H}_2$ / 99.5% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-700-1.0}$	700 °C	1.0% $\text{H}_2$ / 98.5% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-700-1.5}$	700 °C	1.5% $\text{H}_2$ / 98.0% $\text{N}_2$
$\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_7\text{Co}_3\text{-SBA-15-700-2.0}$	700 °C	2.0% $\text{H}_2$ / 99.0% $\text{N}_2$

**Table S2.** Hyperfine parameters from Mössbauer spectra for iron-based samples.

Sample	Spectrum	IS (mm/s)	QS (mm/s)	B <sub>hf</sub> (T)	Area (%)
Fe <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -Fe <sub>7</sub> Co <sub>3</sub> -SBA-15-700-2.0	Sextet	0.025	0.015	35.8	52
	Doublet 1	0.311	1.033	0	34
	Doublet 2	1.179	2.349	0	14
Fe <sub>7</sub> Co <sub>3</sub> -SBA-15	Sextet	<0.032>	0.024	<35.7>	92
	SPM	0.031	-	-	8
Fe <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -SBA-15	Fe-oxide	<0.28>	0.070	<46.2>	65
	SPM	0.31	0.78	-	35

**Table S3.** Wall thickness for SBA-15 before and after impregnation extracted from low angle XRD data and N<sub>2</sub> isotherms.

Sample	d <sub>100</sub> / (nm)	a <sub>0</sub> / (nm)	D <sub>p</sub> / (nm)	W <sub>t</sub> / (nm)
SBA-15	9.7	11.2	7.4	3.8
Fe <sub>7</sub> Co <sub>3</sub> -SBA-15	9.6	11.1	6.8	4.3

a<sub>0</sub>: lattice parameter =  $2d_{100} \sqrt{3}$ ; W<sub>t</sub>: wall thickness =  $a_0 - D_p$ ; D<sub>p</sub>: Average pore diameters obtained from N<sub>2</sub> isotherms.