

The evolution of the M1 local structure during preparation of VMoNbTeO catalyst for ethane oxidative dehydrogenation to ethylene

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Supplementary materials:

Table S1. The structural parameters of the crystalline M1 phase calculated from the Rietveld fit

Chemical composition	(TeO) _{0.39} (V _{1.1} Mo _{3.5} Nb _{0.4})O ₁₄
Space Group	Pba2 (32)
Cell parameters	a = 21.156(2) b = 26.663(4) c = 4.018(5)
Degree of crystallinity	80%
Particle size (CSD), nm	60(2)
Rwp, %	6.2

Table S2. Surface ratios of elements for studied VMoTeNb samples based on XPS data.

	D1	H310	H350	H400	H450	H500	H550
V/Mo	0.42	0.22	0.28	0.25	0.27	0.25	0.24
Nb/Mo	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.11
Te/Mo	0.34	0.30	0.29	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.37
O/Mo	7.7	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.8
C/Mo	4.5	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.0	1.6	1.6

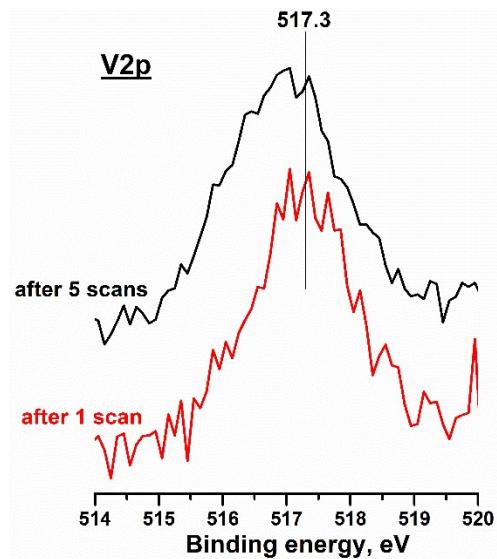


Figure S1. Evolution of V2p spectrum for the spray-dried precursor of VMoNbTe oxide during XPS acquisition.

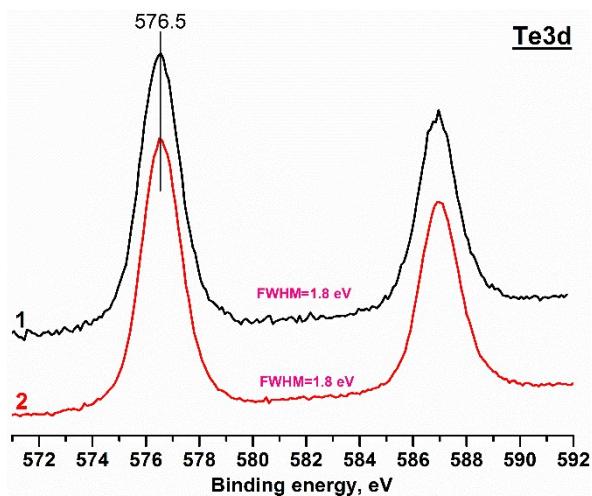


Figure S2. Te3d spectra for VMoNbTe mixed oxide in the form of: 1 – slurry after spray-drying (dry precursor); 2 – dry precursor after thermal treatment in He at 550°C.

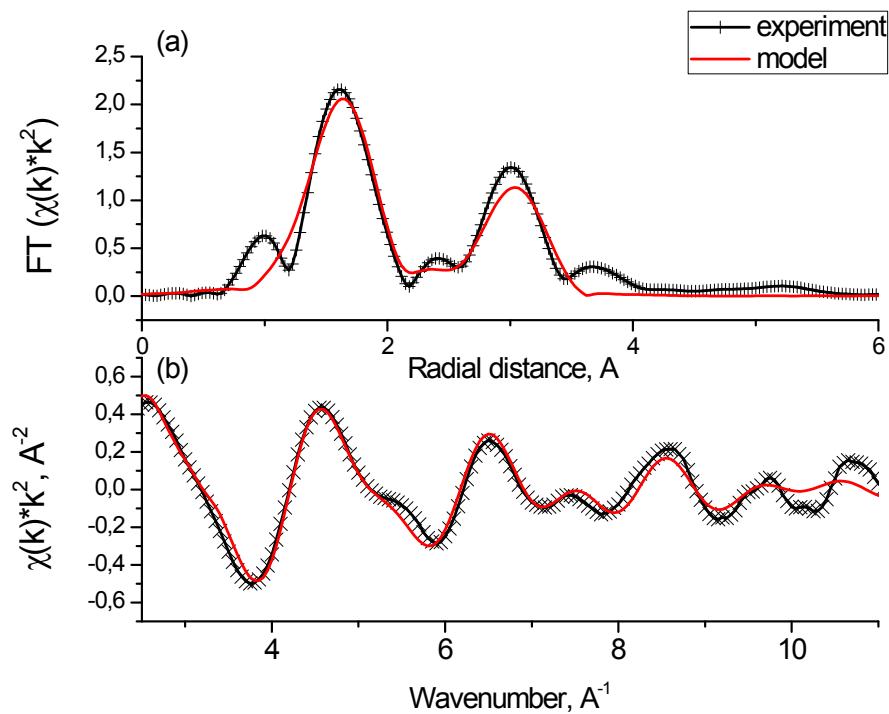


Figure S3. Fourier transform (a), Nb K-edge k^2 -weighted EXAFS spectra (b) and fits of the spray-dried slurry; experimental data is shown with crossed line, fits – solid line.

Table S3 Nb K-edge fitting results for the spray-dried slurry. R-factor=0.04; $S_0^2=0.33(1)$

Shell	Coordination number	R, Å	σ^2 , Å ⁻²
O	6	2.12(1)	0.009(25)
Nb	2	3.38(2)	0.013(1)