

Supporting information

Synthesis of W-modified CeO₂/ZrO₂ catalysts for selective catalytic reduction of NO with NH₃

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| Catalysts | Preparation method | Reaction mixture | $T_{80\%}$, °C | Ref |
|---|--|---|---------------------------|-----------|
| $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ | Co-precipitation ($\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$) Impregnation | $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 500$ ppm, $[\text{O}_2] = 5$ vol. % N_2 as balance, GHSV = 60,000 h^{-1} | 226-446 (NO_x) | This work |
| $\text{WO}_3/\text{CeO}_2\text{-ZrO}_2$ | Incipient wetness impregnation | $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 550$ ppm, $[\text{O}_2] = 6$ vol. % $[\text{CO}_2] = 10$ vol. %, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = 10$ vol. % N_2 as balance, GHSV = 90,000 h^{-1} | 290-500 (NO) | 1 |
| $\text{WO}_3/\text{Ce}_{0.65}\text{Zr}_{0.35}\text{O}_2$ | Wet impregnation | $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 0.1$ %, $[\text{O}_2] = 5$ vol. % $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = 10$ vol. %, Ar as balance GHSV = 30,000 h^{-1} | 245-450 (NO_x) | 2 |
| $\text{WO}_3/\text{ZrO}_2\text{-Ce}_{0.6}\text{Zr}_{0.4}\text{O}_2$ | Incipient wetness impregnation Solution combustion method | $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 1000$ ppm, $[\text{O}_2] = 10$ vol. % $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = 10$ vol. %, N_2 as balance GHSV = 50,000 h^{-1} | 270-510 (NO_x) | 3 |
| $\text{WO}_3/\text{Ce-Zr}$ (40-60) | Impregnation | $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 500$ ppm, $[\text{O}_2] = 10$ vol. % $[\text{CO}_2] = 10$ vol. %, $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = 10$ vol. % N_2 as balance, WHSV = 200 h^{-1} | 250-500 (NO_x) | 4 |
| $\text{WO}_3\text{-Ce}_{0.75}\text{Zr}_{0.25}\text{O}_2$ | Citric-aide sol-gel ($\text{Ce}_{0.75}\text{Zr}_{0.25}\text{O}_2$) Incipient wetness impregnation | $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 500$ ppm, $[\text{O}_2] = 5$ vol. % N_2 as balance, GHSV = 30,000 h^{-1} | 290-400 (NO_x) | 5 |

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|---|---|--|----------------------------|----|
| W-CeZr (SO ₂ -treatment) | Wet impregnation | [NO] = 900 ppm, [NO ₂] = 100 ppm [NH ₃] = 1000 ppm, [SO ₂] = 100 ppm [O ₂] = 6 vol. %, N ₂ as balance WHSV = 300 h ⁻¹ | 295-500 (NO _x) | 6 |
| CeO ₂ -ZrO ₂ -WO ₃ | Hydrothermal synthesis | | 185-450 (NO) | 7 |
| | Incipient impregnation | [NO] = [NH ₃] = 600 ppm, [O ₂] = 5 vol. % N ₂ as balance, GHSV = 60,000 h ⁻¹ | 245-450 (NO) | |
| | Co-precipitation | | 190-430 (NO) | |
| | Sol-gel | | 225-450 (NO) | |
| CeO ₂ /ZrO ₂ -S | Impregnation | [NO] = [NH ₃] = 500 ppm, [O ₂] = 5 vol. % N ₂ as balance, GHSV = 30,000 h ⁻¹ | 235-500 (NO) | 8 |
| Ce _{0.75} Zr _{0.25} O ₂ -PO ₄ ³⁻ (SO ₂ + 10%H ₂ O treatment) | Sol-gel (Ce _{0.75} Zr _{0.25} O ₂) Impregnation | [NO] = [NH ₃] = 500 ppm, [O ₂] = 5 vol. % N ₂ as balance, GHSV = 30,000 h ⁻¹ | 235-470 (NO _x) | 9 |
| NbO _x /Ce _{0.75} Zr _{0.25} O ₂ | Sol-gel (Ce _{0.75} Zr _{0.25} O ₂) Impregnation | [NO] = [NH ₃] = 500 ppm, [O ₂] = 5 vol. % [CO ₂] = 10 vol. %, N ₂ as balance GHSV = 300,000 h ⁻¹ | 190-450 (NO _x) | 10 |
| MoO ₃ /CeO ₂ -ZrO ₂ | Hydrothermal synthesis (CeO ₂ -ZrO ₂) Impregnation | [NO] = [NH ₃] = 500 ppm, [O ₂] = 5 vol. % He as balance, GHSV = 98,000 h ⁻¹ | 245-430 (NO _x) | 11 |
| NiO-CeO ₂ -ZrO ₂ | Sol-gel | [NO] = [NH ₃] = 500 ppm, [O ₂] = 5 vol. % [CO ₂] = 10 vol. %, N ₂ as balance GHSV = 300,000 h ⁻¹ | 250-450 (NO _x) | 12 |

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Fig. S1

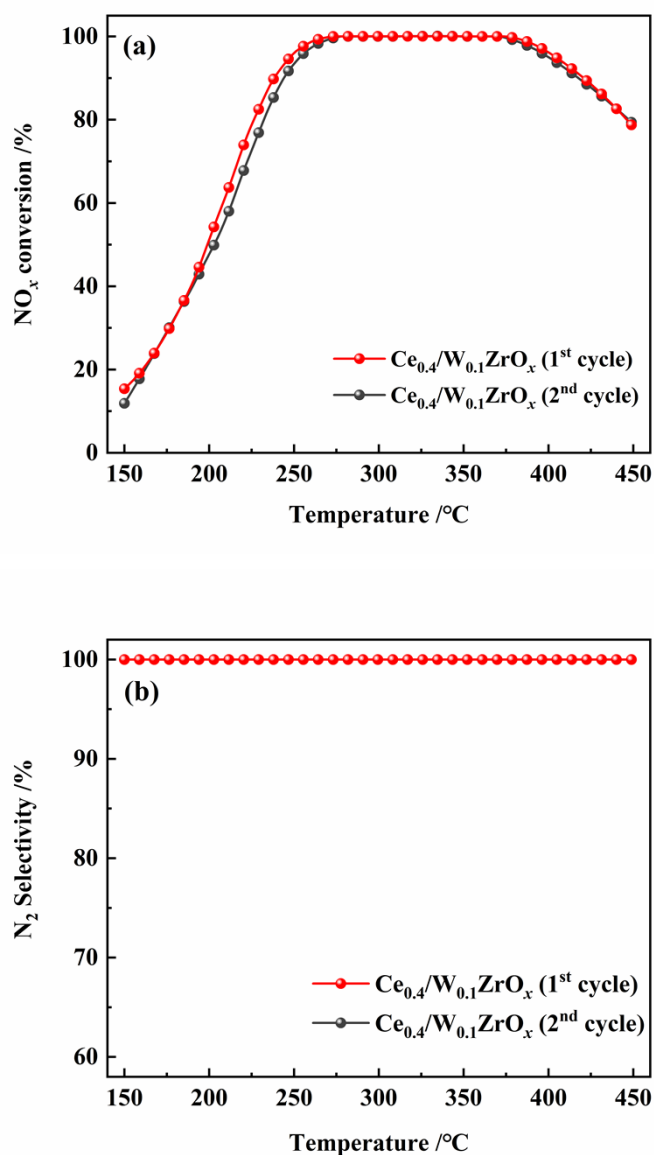


Fig. S1. SCR performance test results of $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ (1st cycle) and $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ (2nd cycle) catalyst: (a) NO_x conversion and (b) N_2 selectivity.

(Reaction conditions: 0.5 mL catalyst, $[\text{NO}] = [\text{NH}_3] = 500$ ppm, $[\text{O}_2] = 5$ vol.%,

balance with N_2 , total flow rate = $500 \text{ mL}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ and GHSV = $60,000 \text{ h}^{-1}$)

Fig. S2

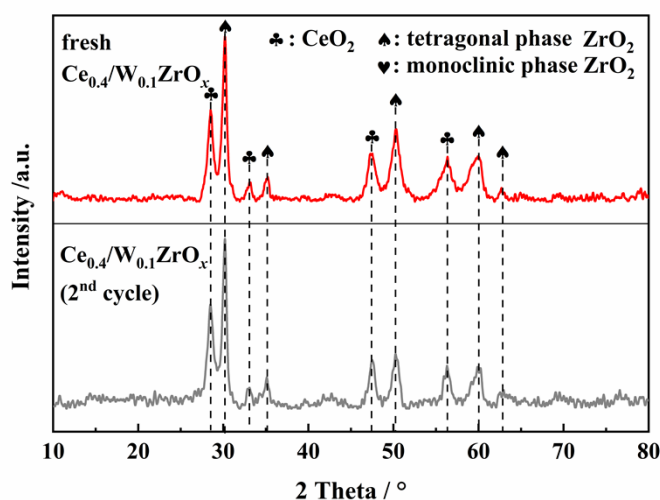


Fig. S2. XRD patterns of fresh $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ and used $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ (2nd cycle) catalysts

To investigate the effect of stability reaction on the structure over $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ catalyst, the structures of fresh $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ and used $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ (2nd cycle) catalysts were characterized by XRD. It could be seen from Fig. S2 that the intensities of CeO_2 and ZrO_2 peaks did not change significantly before and after the SCR reaction. Moreover, no new peaks were detected on the XRD curve of $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ (2nd cycle) catalyst compared to the fresh $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ catalyst. It was demonstrated that the structure of $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ catalyst with better stability during the SCR reactions.

Fig. S3

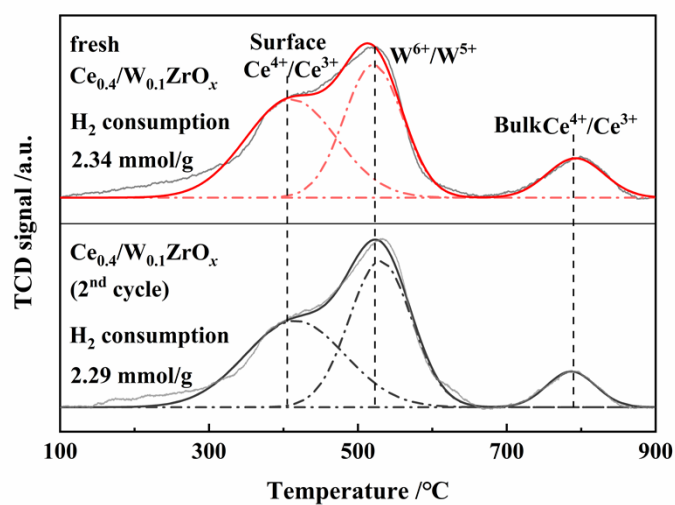


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As shown in Fig. S3, intensities of the three reducing peaks over $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ (2nd cycle) catalyst did not decrease significantly compared to the fresh catalyst. In addition, the total H₂ consumption of the fresh $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ catalyst only decreased by 0.05 mmol/g after cycling two times. It was indicated that $\text{Ce}_{0.4}/\text{W}_{0.1}\text{ZrO}_x$ catalyst still maintained a good redox property after the SCR reactions.

Fig. S4

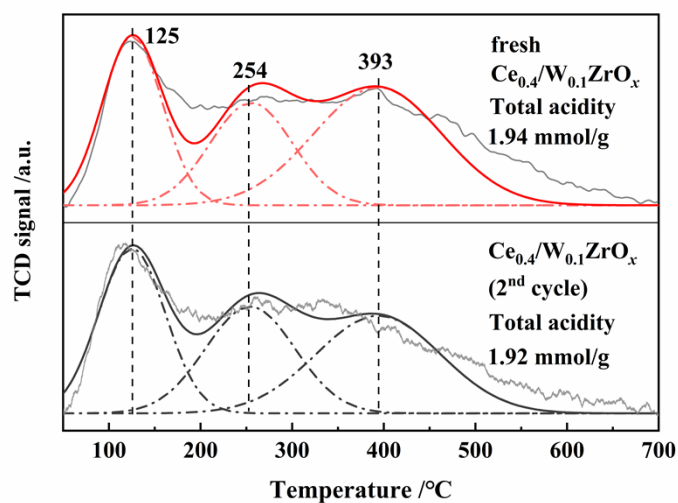


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The surface acidities of two catalysts were also investigated by NH₃-TPD characterization technique. It could be seen from Fig. S4 that NH₃-TPD profiles of the fresh Ce_{0.4}/W_{0.1}ZrO_x and used Ce_{0.4}/W_{0.1}ZrO_x (2nd cycle) catalysts both exhibited three desorption peaks, which intensities of the corresponding peaks were similar. In other words, there was no obvious damage in the surface acidity over Ce_{0.4}/W_{0.1}ZrO_x catalyst after the SCR reactions.

Fig. S5

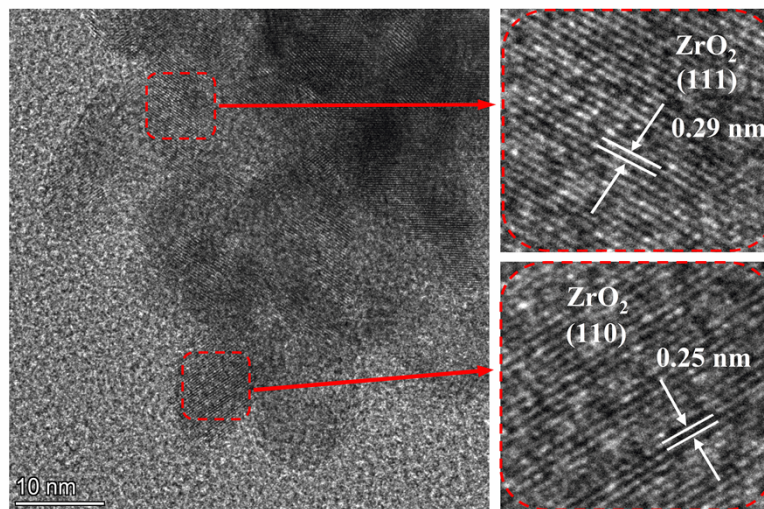


Fig. S5. TEM pattern of $W_{0.1}ZrO_x$ sample

Fig. S6

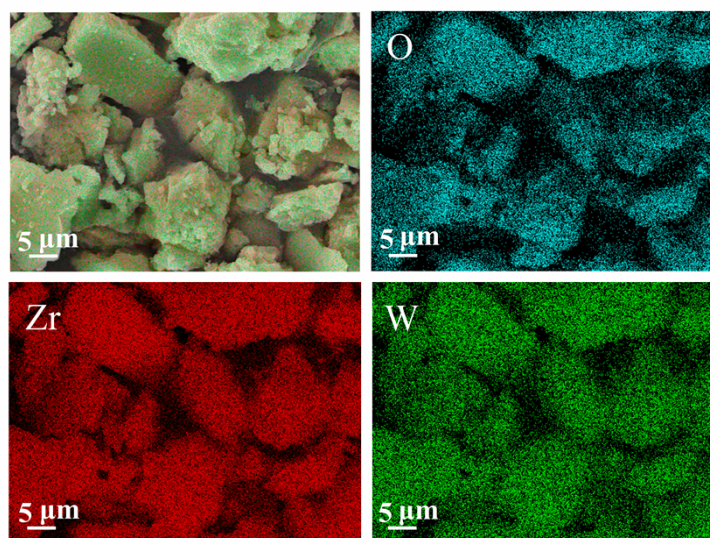


Fig. S6. EDS pattern over $W_{0.1}ZrO_x$ sample

To further investigate the dispersion of W, Zr and O elements over $W_{0.1}ZrO_x$ sample, EDS mapping was conducted and the results showed that the tungsten species were well dispersed on the support, as presented in Fig. S6.