

## Exploration of structure sensitivity of gold nanoparticles in low-temperature CO oxidation

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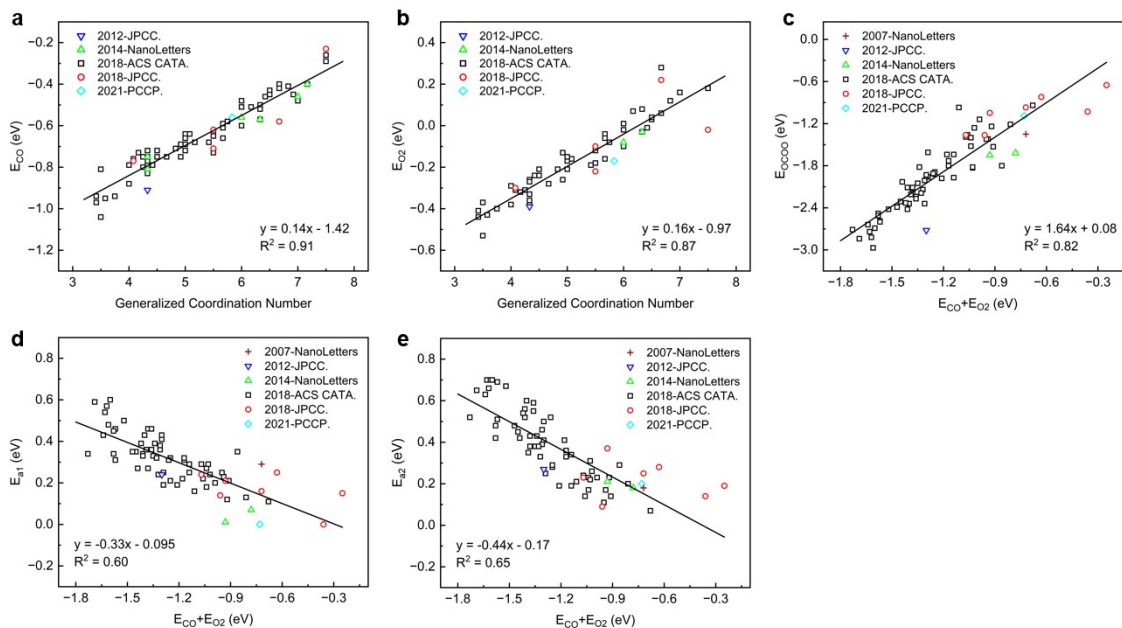
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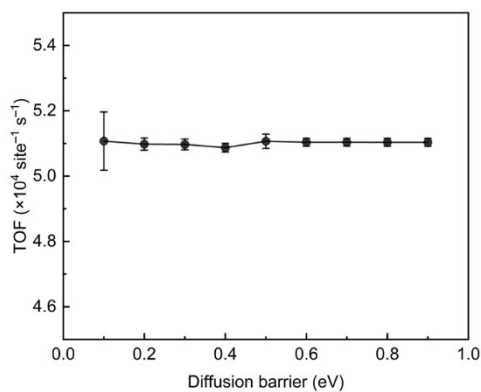
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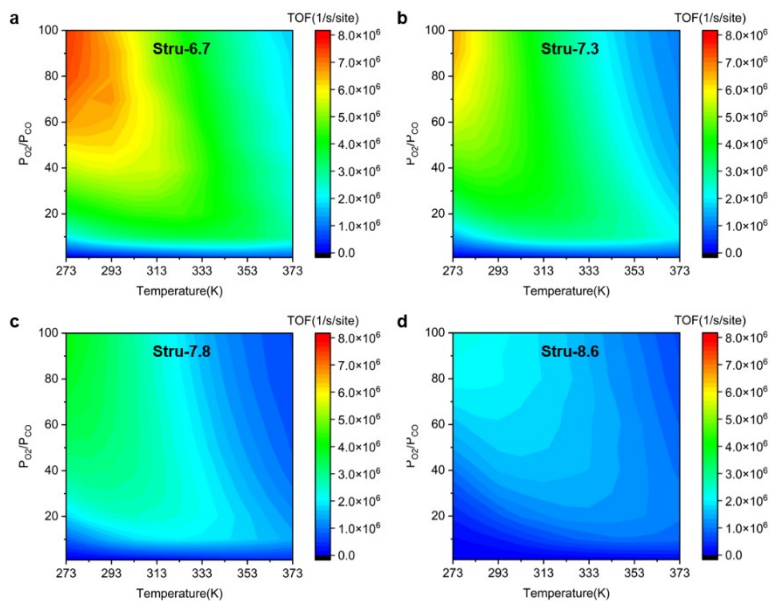
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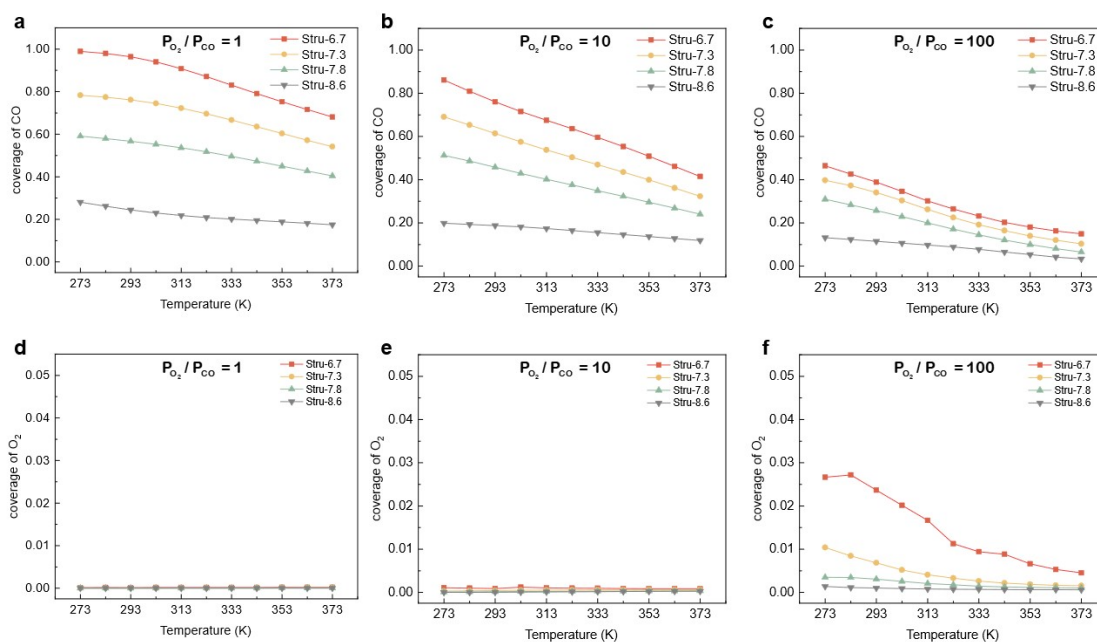
**Fig. S1** Adsorption energies versus generalized coordination number for CO (a) and O<sub>2</sub> (b). The scaling of the OCOO adsorption energy (c), activation energy for  $[CO^* + O_2^* \rightleftharpoons OCOO^*]$  reaction (d), activation energy for  $[OCOO^* \rightarrow CO_2(g) + O^* + *]$  reaction (e) with the sum of the CO and O adsorption energies. The data are collected from Refs. [1–6].



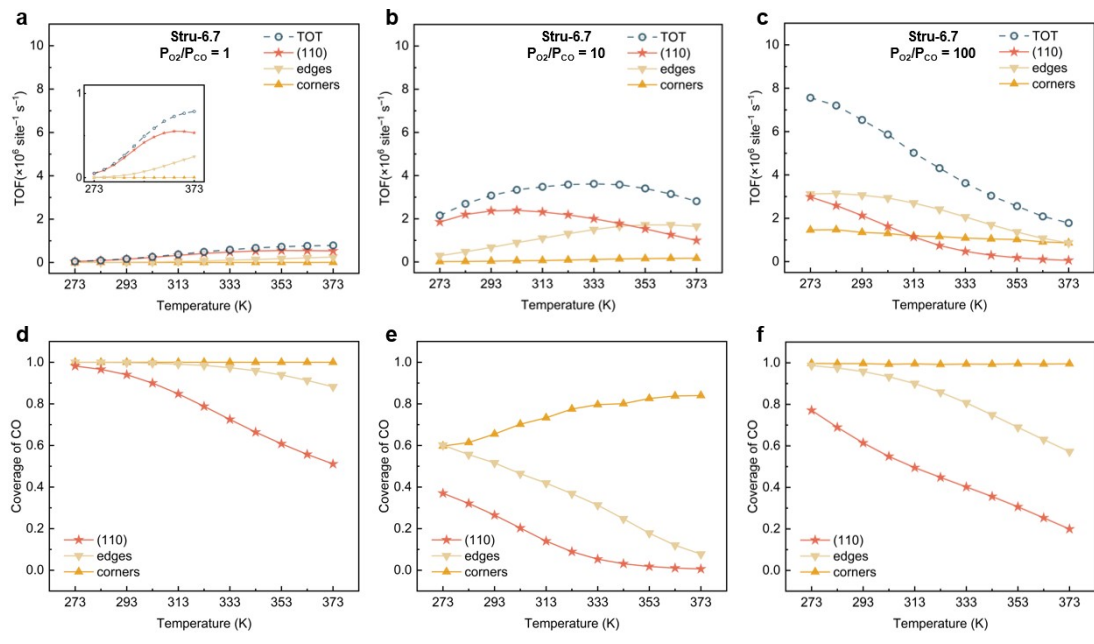
**Fig. S2** TOFs with different diffusion barrier at 273 K with  $P_{O_2}/P_{CO} = 1$ . Error bars are the standard deviation of 10 identical simulations.



**Fig. S3** Contour plot of TOFs for 5 nm Au NPs with  $\bar{CN} = 6.7$  (a), 7.3 (b), 7.8 (c), and 8.6 (d) changing with the temperature and partial pressure ratio ( $P_{\text{total}} = 1$  bar).

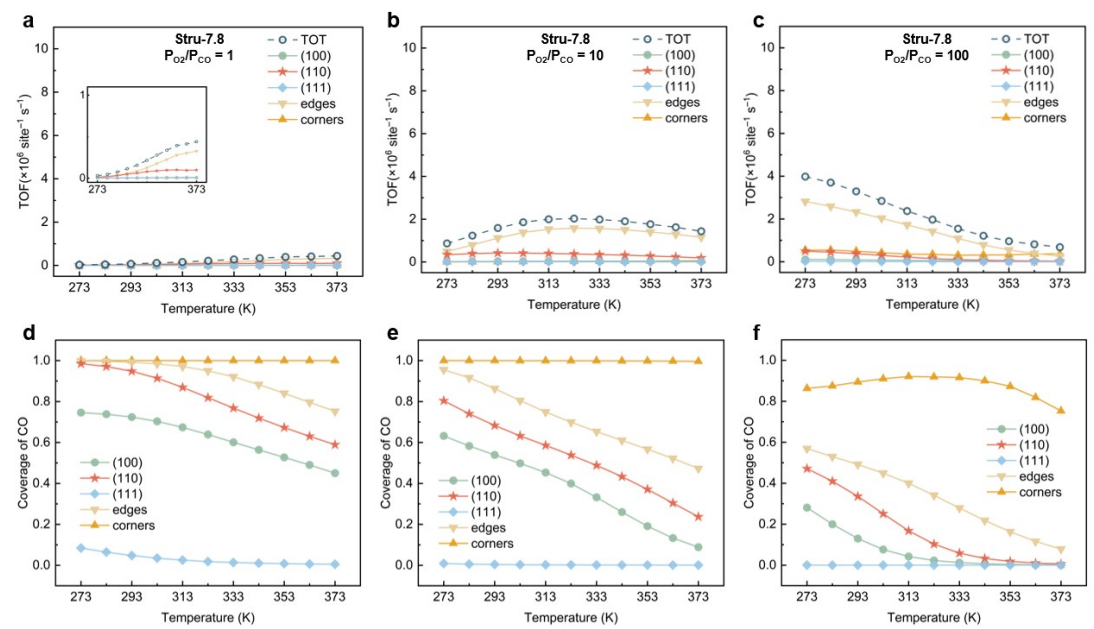


**Fig. S4** Coverage of CO and O<sub>2</sub> as a function of temperature at  $P_{\text{total}} = 1$  bar with  $P_{O_2}/P_{CO} = 1$  (a, d), 10 (b, e), and 100 (c, f) for Au NPs with different  $\bar{CN}$



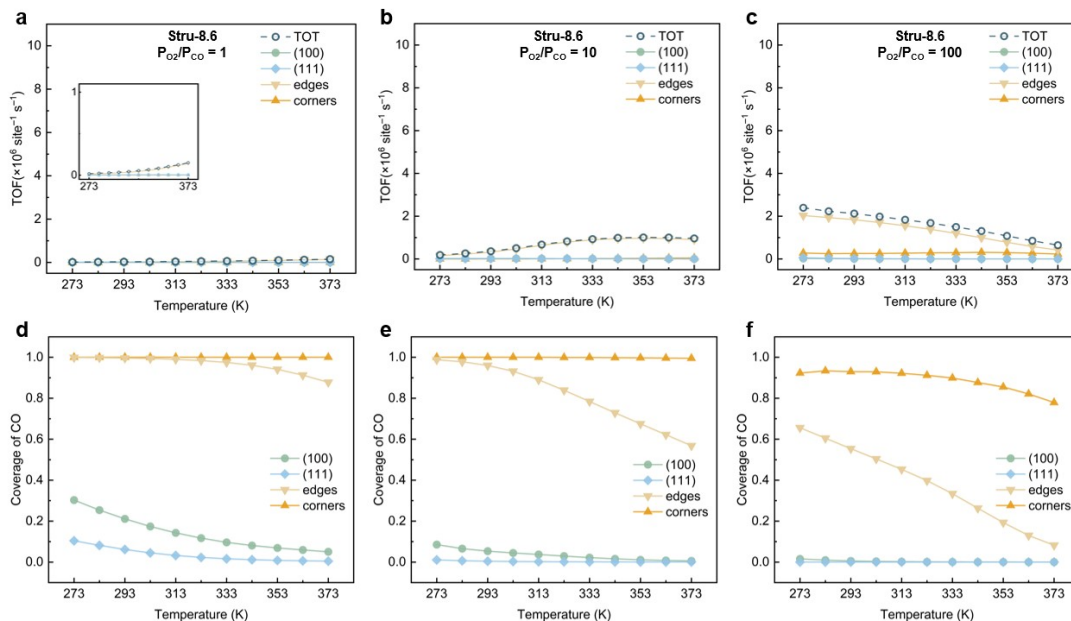
**Fig. S5** site-specific contributions to TOFs and coverages of CO for Au NPs with Stru-6.7 under

$$P_{O_2}/P_{CO} = 1 \text{ (a, d), } 10 \text{ (b, e), and } 100 \text{ (c, f).}$$



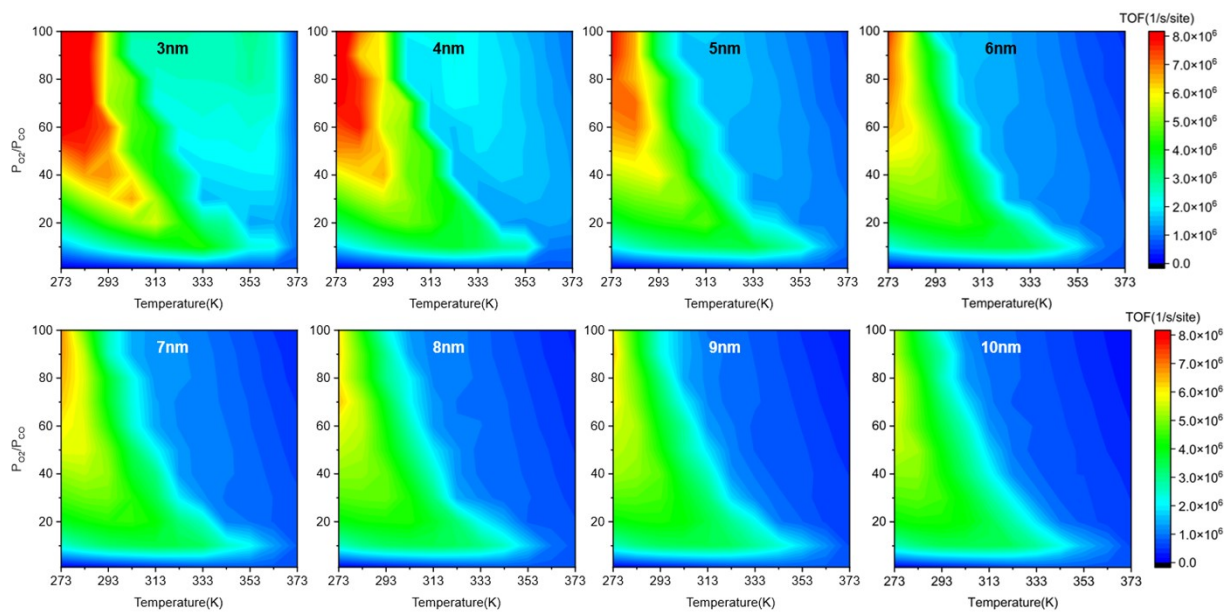
**Fig. S6** site-specific contributions to TOFs and coverages of CO for Au NPs with Stru-7.8 under

$$P_{O_2}/P_{CO} = 1 \text{ (a, d), } 10 \text{ (b, e), and } 100 \text{ (c, f).}$$



**Fig. S7** site-specific contributions to TOFs and coverages of CO for Au NPs with Stru-8.6 under

$$P_{O_2}/P_{CO} = 1 \text{ (a, d), } 10 \text{ (b, e), and } 100 \text{ (c, f).}$$



**Fig. S8** Contour plot of TOFs for Au NPs changing with the temperature and partial pressure

ratio ( $P_{total} = 1$  bar) in the size range of 3-10 nm.

**Table S1.** Surface tension under vacuum (Units in eV/Å<sup>2</sup>) and adsorption energies (Units in eV)

	$\gamma_{hkl}$	$E_{CO}$	$E_{O_2}$	$E_O$	$E_{OCO_0}$
Au(100)	0.055	-0.48	-0.02	0.06	-0.76
Au(110)	0.056	-0.55	-0.08	0.03	-0.91
Au(111)	0.043	-0.22	-0.01	0.00	-0.77

**Table S2.** Lateral interaction between A\* and B\* (Units in eV)<sup>α</sup>

A*	B*	Au(100)	Au(110)	Au(111)	Average
CO	CO	-0.12	-0.08	-0.08	-0.09
	O <sub>2</sub>	-0.02	-0.02	-0.00	-0.01
	O	-0.12	-0.18	-0.08	-0.13
	OCOOC <sub>C</sub>	-0.02	0.01	-0.00	-0.00
	OCOOC <sub>O</sub>	-0.02	0.04	-0.00	0.01
O <sub>2</sub>	O <sub>2</sub>	-0.03	-0.04	-0.03	-0.03
	O	-0.16	-0.26	-0.12	-0.18
	OCOOC <sub>C</sub>	-0.00	-0.02	0.00	-0.00
	OCOOC <sub>O</sub>	-0.00	-0.03	-0.19	-0.07
O	O	-0.18	-0.14	-0.21	-0.18
	OCOOC <sub>C</sub>	-0.06	-0.06	-0.11	-0.08
	OCOOC <sub>O</sub>	-0.07	-0.05	-0.07	-0.06

<sup>α</sup>OCOOC<sub>C</sub> means the O-C- side of OCOO\*, and OCOOC<sub>O</sub> means O-O- side.

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