

## Supporting Information

### **Clean hydrogen production from ammonia decomposition over zeolite 13X-supported Ni catalysts**

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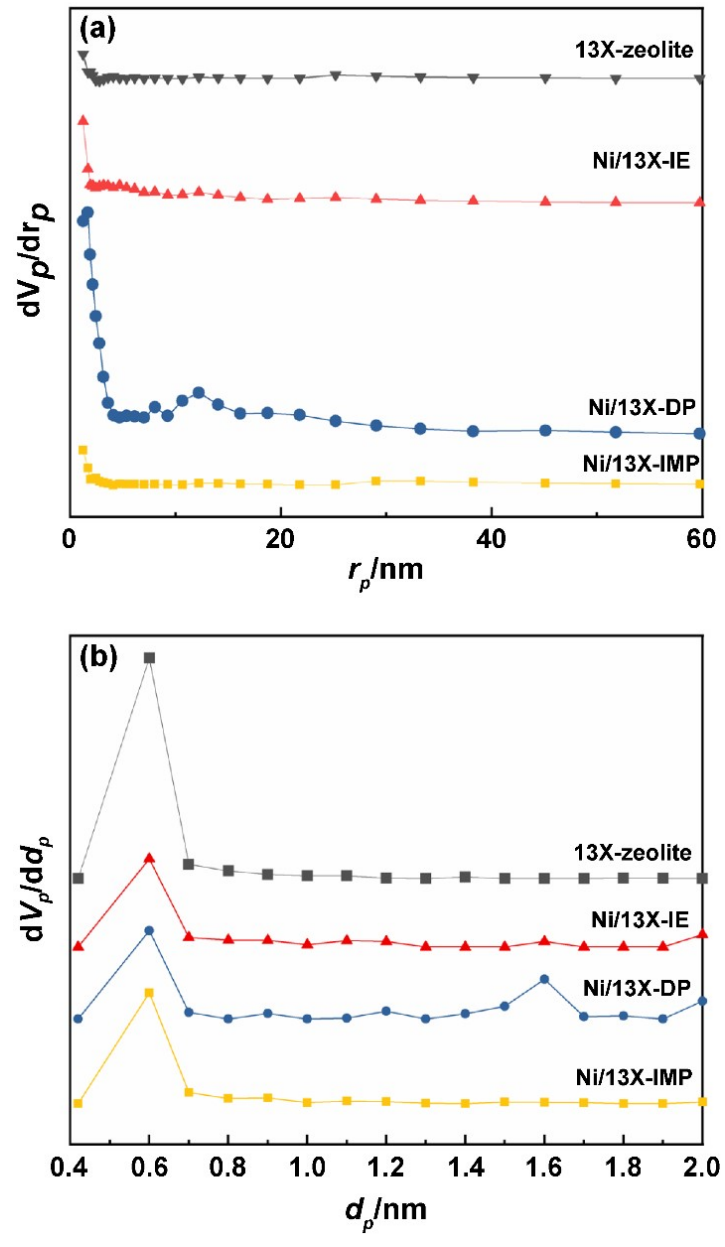
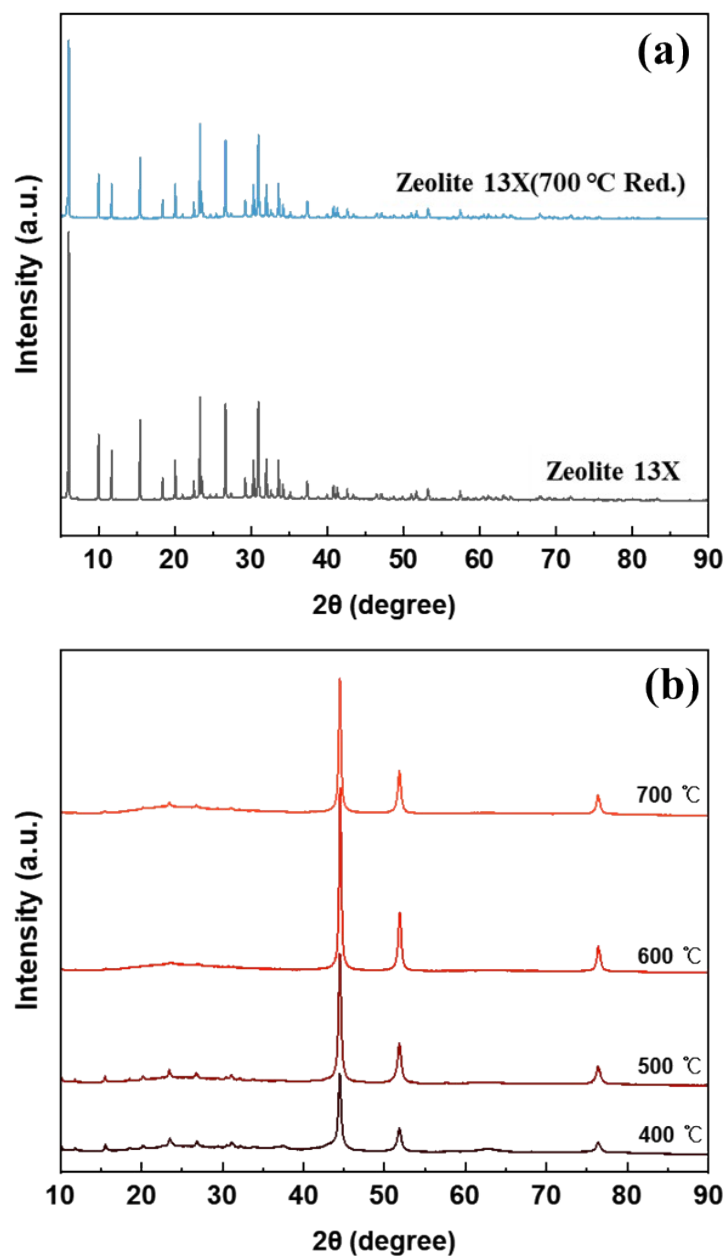
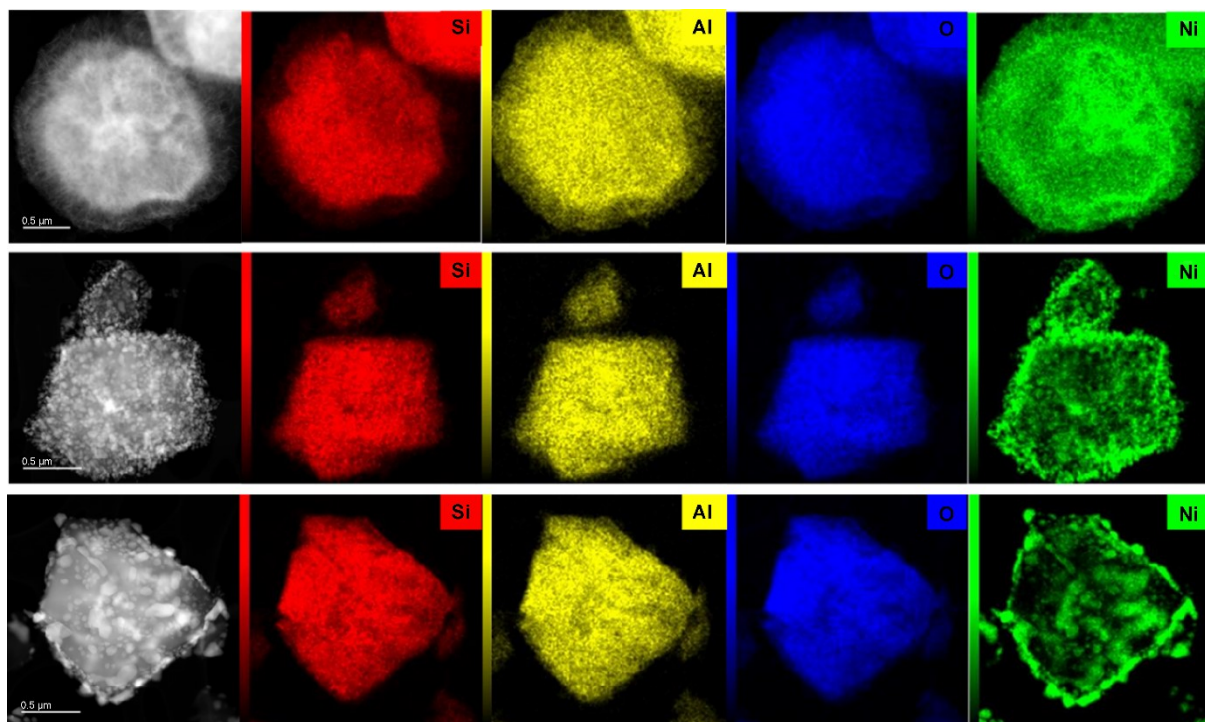


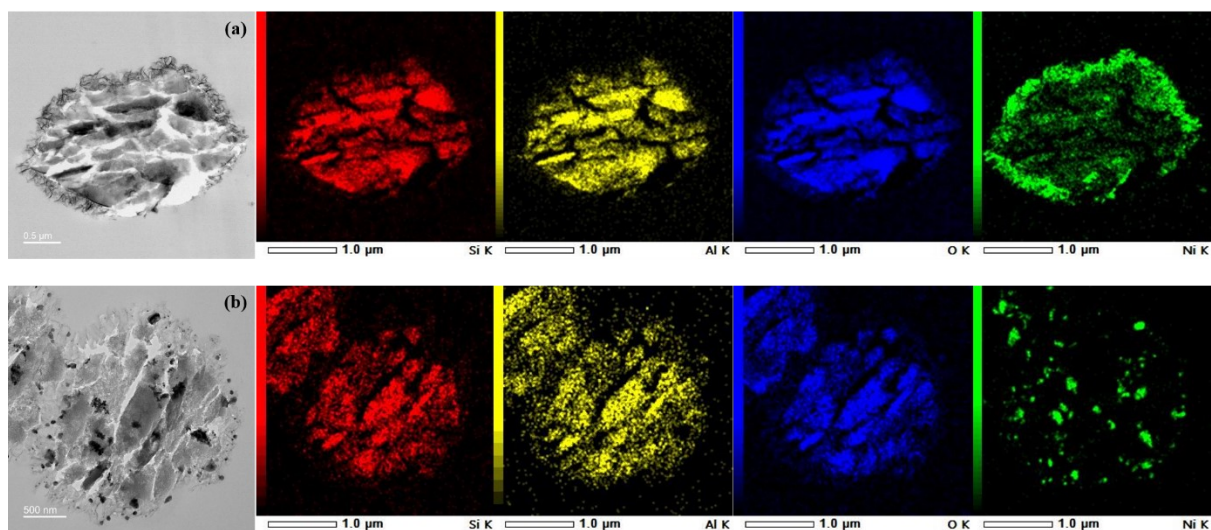
Figure S1. Pore size distribution of Ni/zeolite 13X catalysts.



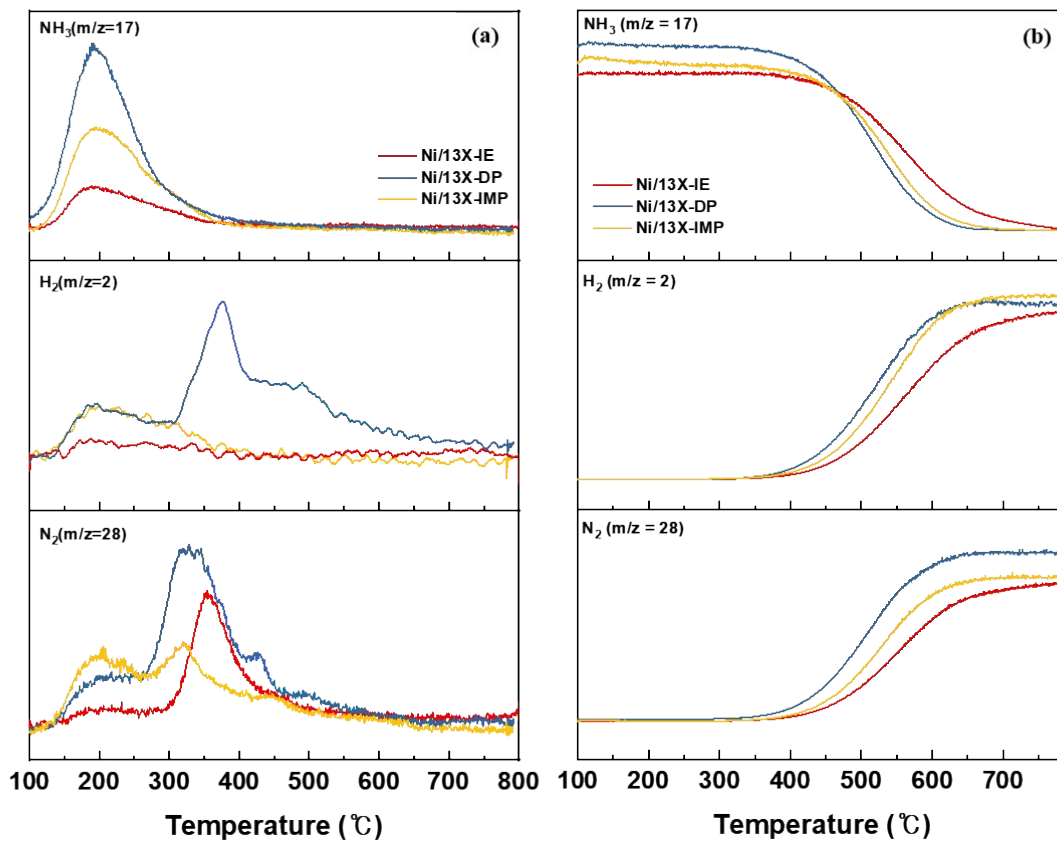
**Figure S2.** XRD patterns of (a) fresh and reduced (700 °C, 10% H<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub>) zeolite 13X and (b) Ni/13X-DP according to reduction temperature (400 – 700 °C).



**Figure S3.** TEM elemental mapping image of recued (a) Ni/13X-IE, (b) Ni/13X-DP, and (c) Ni/13X-IMP.



**Figure S4.** Cross-sectional TEM elemental mapping image of (a) calcined and (b) reduced Ni/13X-DP with ultra-microtome pretreatment.



**Figure S5.** (a)  $\text{NH}_3$ - TPD-MS and (b)  $\text{NH}_3$ -TPSR-MS profiles of Ni/zeolite 13X catalysts with different preparation method.

**Table S1.** H<sub>2</sub> reduction temperature peak of Ni/zeolite 13X catalysts

Ni/zeolite 13X catalyst	Peak $\alpha$		Peak $\beta$		Peak $\gamma$	
	Temp. (°C)	Fraction (%)	Temp. (°C)	Fraction (%)	Temp. (°C)	Fraction (%)
<b>Ni/13X-IE</b>	381	0.99	541	36.97	651	62.04
<b>Ni/13X-DP</b>	381	17.84	545	70.72	709	11.44
<b>Ni/13X-IMP</b>	378	71.17	589	28.83	-	-

**Table S2.** Comparison of catalytic performance of Ni-based catalysts for NH<sub>3</sub> decomposition at 600 °C and WHSV of 30000 mL g<sub>cat</sub><sup>-1</sup> h<sup>-1</sup>.

Number	Catalyst	Ni loading (wt%)	Method	NH <sub>3</sub> Conversion (%)	H <sub>2</sub> Formation rate (mmol g <sub>cat</sub> <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref.
1	Ni/MRM-600	15.0	Precipitation	55.0	18.4	1
2	Ni/SiO <sub>2</sub>	10.0	Wet impregnation	36.4	11.4	2
3	S60/1.0Mg/10Ni/USY	10	Surfactant-assisted melt infiltration	52	-	3
4	Ni/rGO	25	Sonication	74.2	24.8	4
5	Ni/AC	10	Sonication	40.9	13.7	4
6	Ni/BN	8.9	Sol-gel method	48.1	16.1	5
7	Ni/SiO <sub>2</sub> -AEH	10.0	ammonia evaporation-hydrothermal	50	16	6
8	Ni/13X-DP	14.8	Deposition Precipitation	68.3	22.9	This work

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