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Supplementary Information 1 2 3 Accelerating Active Catalyst Discovery: A Probabilistic Prediction-Based Screening 4 Methodology with Applications in Dry Reforming of Methane 5 6 Hyundo Park ^{a,b,1}, Jiwon Roh ^{a,b,1}, Hyungtae Cho ^a, Insoo Ro ^{c,*}, Junghwan Kim ^{b,*} 7 ^a Green Materials and Processes R&D Group, Korea Institute of Industrial Technology, 55 Jongga-ro, 8 Ulsan 44413, Republic of Korea 9 ^b Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Yonsei University, 50 Yonsei-ro, Seoul 10 03722, Republic of Korea 11 ° Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Seoul National University of Science and Technology, 232 Gongneung-ro, Seoul 01811, Republic of Korea 12 ¹ These authors contributed equally to this work. 13 * Corresponding authors: Insoo@seoultech.ac.kr (I. Ro) and kih24@yonsei.ac.kr (J. Kim) 14

16 1. Experimental setup for DRM reaction

In order to investigate the DRM reaction, an experimental setup for DRM reaction was constructed as shown in Figure S1. The experimental setup consists of three main parts: feed, reaction, and analysis part. The feed part consisted of Ar, CO_2 , CH_4 , H_2 , and N_2 gas cylinders, and mass flow controllers (MFC) for both reactant gases. The main obligation of the feed part is to supply the components of interest including Ar, CO_2 , CH_4 , H_2 , and N_2 to the reaction part, where a quartz-tbue fixed bed reactor was mounted vertically inside a furnace.





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25 Fig. S1. Schematic of the experimental setup used for dry reforming of methane.

27 2. Probabilistic prediction model validation

We conducted N-fold cross-validation to validate the model. The cross-validation was performed for both 5 and 10 folds. Fig S2 shows the results of cross-validation using 5 and 10 folds.





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32 Fig. S2. The results of N-folds cross-validation using 5-folds and 10-folds.

34 **3. Feature importance results**

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36 Table S1. Feature importance value

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Domain	Component	Value
	Ni	0.1168
	Со	0.0623
	Pt	0.0373
	Pd	0.0197
	La	0.0190
	Κ	0.0158
	Rh	0.0121
	Ce	0.0105
	Cu	0.0101
Design variables	Zr	0.0101
(Active metal)	Mg	0.0086
	Ru	0.0080
	Y	0.0060
	Ir	0.0047
	Fe	0.0047
	Ca	0.0036
	Li	0.0021
	BN	0.0016
	Mn	0.0011
	Sr	0.0008
Design variables	ZrO ₂	0.0453
(Support)	CeO ₂	0.0170

Y2O3 0.0153 Al2O3_gamma 0.0149 CaO 0.0129 ZrO2_nanocrystalline 0.0129 MgO_nanocrystalline 0.0115 SiO2 0.0111 MgO 0.0101
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SiO2 0.0111 MgO 0.0101
MgO 0.0101
ZSM_5 0.0097
MnO 0.0082
TiO ₂ 0.0069
La ₂ O ₃ 0.0060
PrO ₂ 0.0045
SBA_15 0.0044
Al ₂ O ₃ _alpha 0.0037
MgAl ₂ O ₄ _nanocrystalline 0.0022
Al ₂ O ₃ _mesoporous 0.0021
MgAlO _x 0.0005
Si ₃ N ₄ 0.0003
MCM_41 0.0002
V ₂ O ₅ 0.0001
Calcination_Temperature 0.0507
Reduction_Temperature 0.0274
Preparation 0.0189
Pretreatment variables Calcination_time 0.0183
Reduction_time 0.0155
Reduction_ H_2 0.0148
Operating variables Reaction_Temperature 0.0855

	GHSV	0.0621
	Time_on_stream	0.0538
	Reaction_CO ₂	0.0453
	Reaction_CH ₄	0.0278
	Reaction_Ar	0.0114
	Reaction_He	0.0082
	Reaction_N ₂	0.0058

39 4. The analysis of experimental validation results

40 Among the 3958 training data points, the distribution based on the active metal is as follows: Ni:

- 41 3044, Co: 553, Pt: 513, Rh: 130, Ru: 128, Pd: 52, Ir: 25, Ar: 21, Mn: 20, and Cu: 2. And the distribution
- 42 based on the -ZrO₂ support is as follows: ZrO₂: 303, CaO-ZrO₂: 75, Y₂O₃-ZrO₂: 73, SiO₂-ZrO₂: 70,
- 43 CeO₂-ZrO₂: 46, MgO-ZrO₂: 39, Al₂O₃-ZrO₂: 7, La₂O₃-ZrO₂: 2.







49 Fig. S4. Number of -ZrO₂ supported catalysts in training data.

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