

## Supporting Information

### Significant inhibition of secondary pollution in the catalytic oxidation of chloroaromatics over a bifunctional Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> single-atom catalyst

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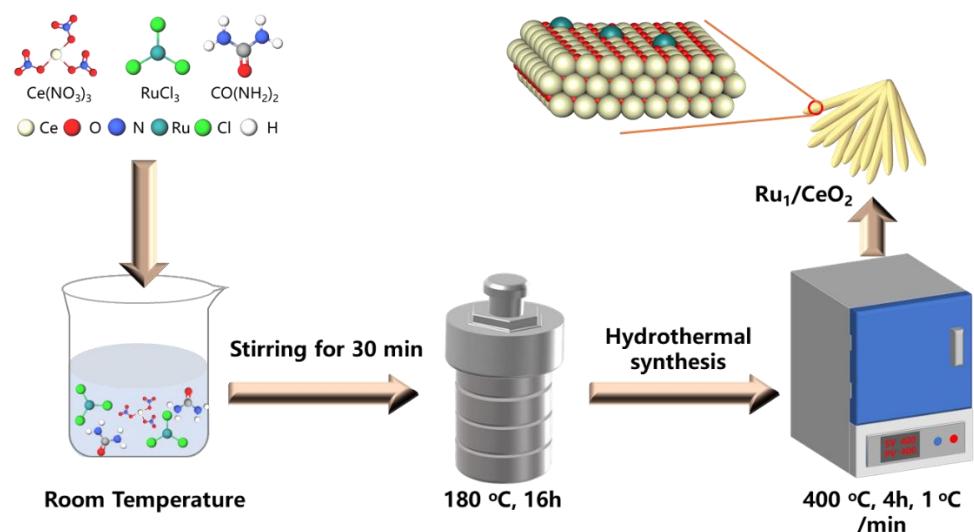
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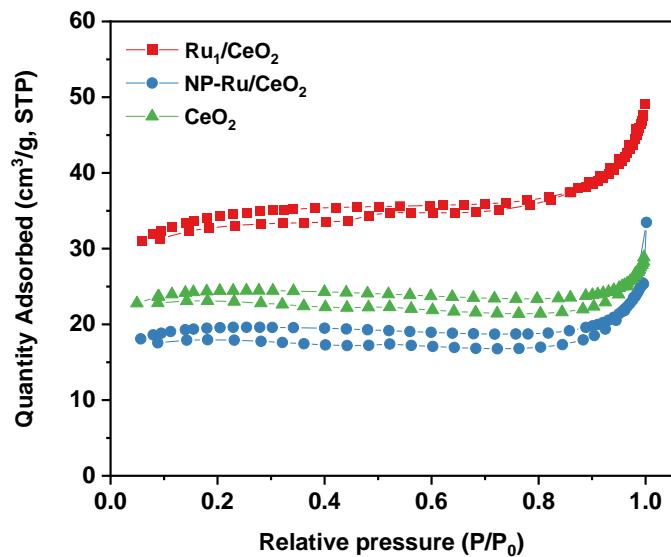
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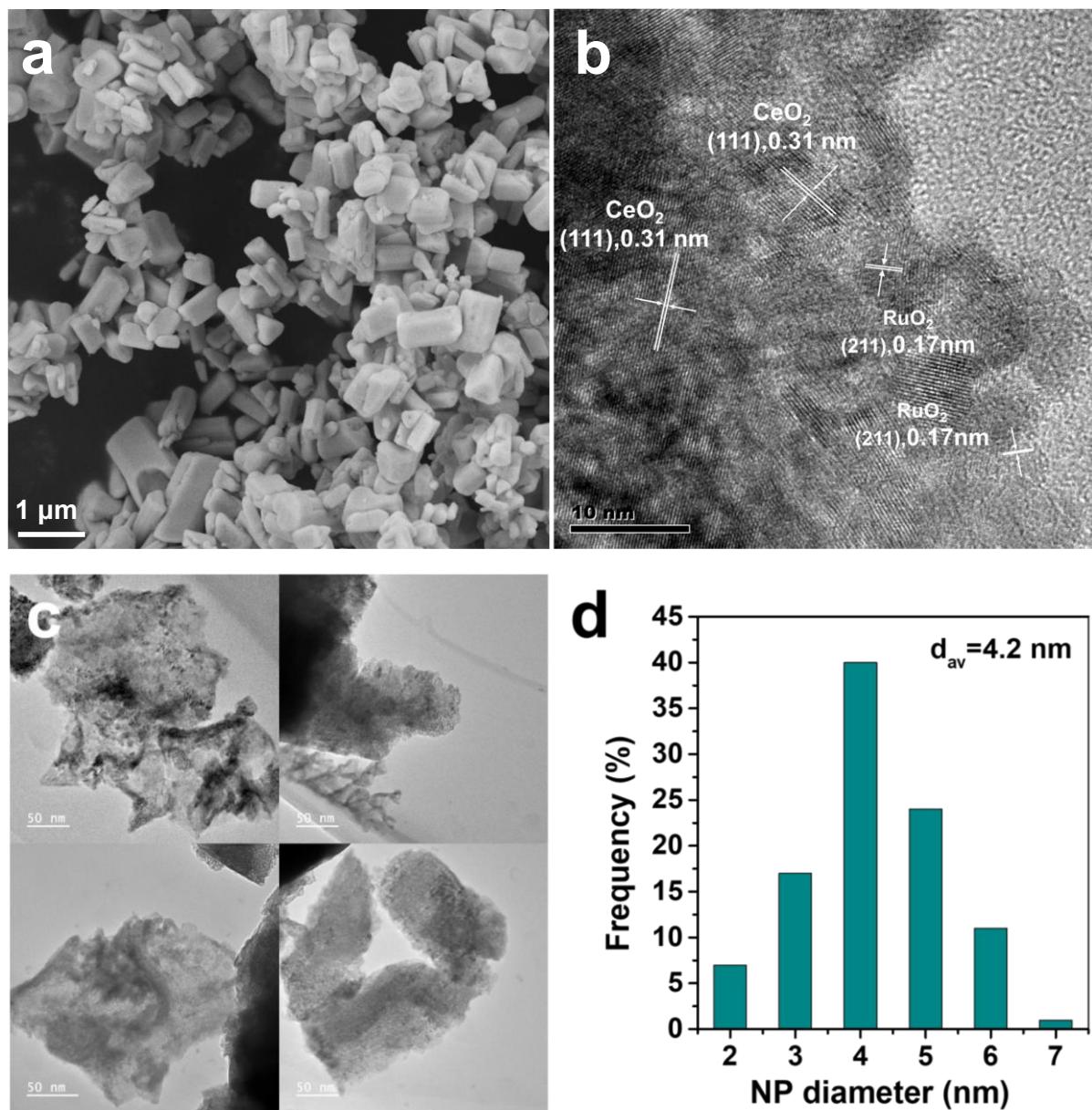
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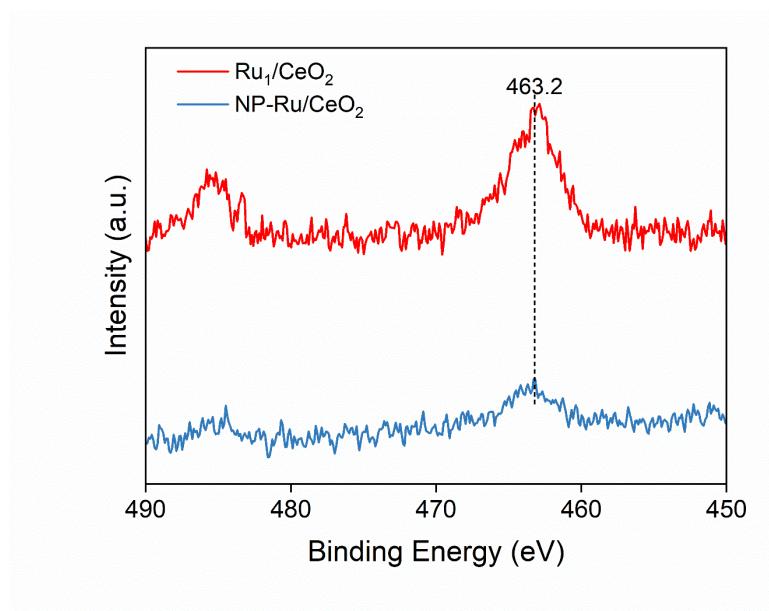
**Figure S1.** Schematic illustrations of the preparation of  $\text{Ru}_1/\text{CeO}_2$  catalyst.



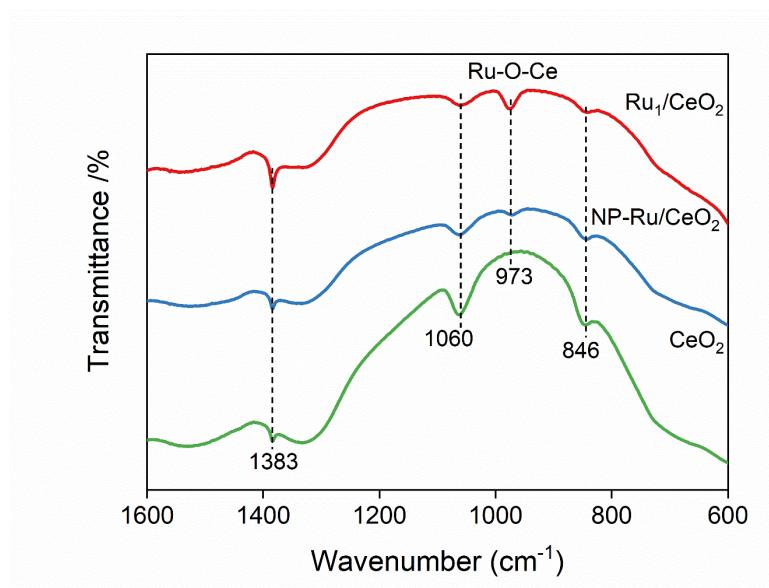
**Figure S2.** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isothermal of CeO<sub>2</sub>, Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub>.



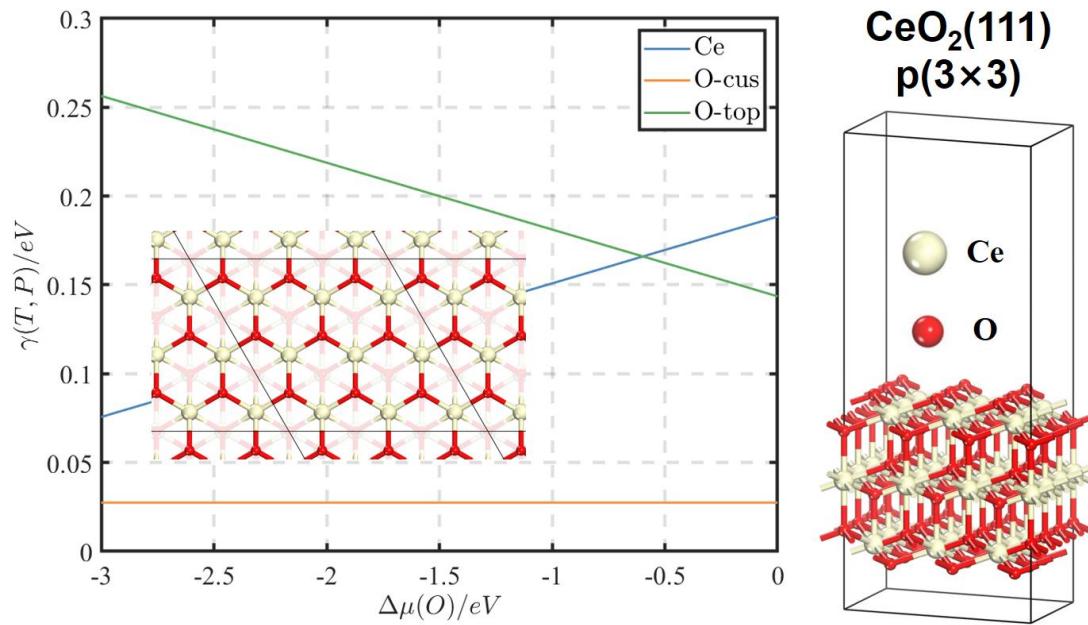
**Figure S3.** (a) SEM, (b) HRTEM, (c) TEM images and (d) histogram of RuO<sub>2</sub> NPs particle size for NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S4.** Ru 2p spectra of Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S5.** FTIR spectrum for CeO<sub>2</sub>, Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub>, and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub>.



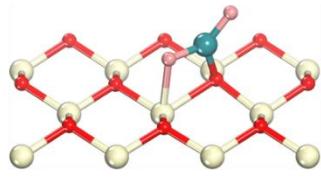
**Figure S6.** O chemical potential calculation showed that  $\text{CeO}_2(111)$  exposed the O-cus to seal under experimental conditions. a  $\text{CeO}_2(111)$  p( $3 \times 3$ ) slab model was established with 9 layers of atoms, 3 layers under fixed, and a 15 Å vacuum layer.

**Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub>(111)**

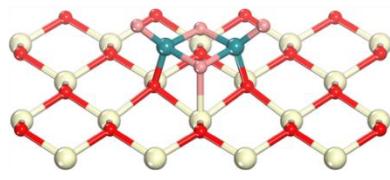


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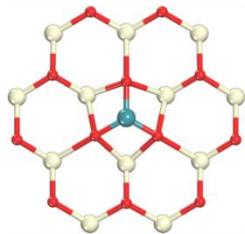
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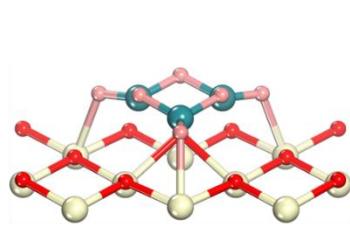
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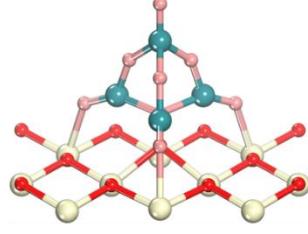
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hol site  
 $E_{form} = 3.83 \text{ eV}$

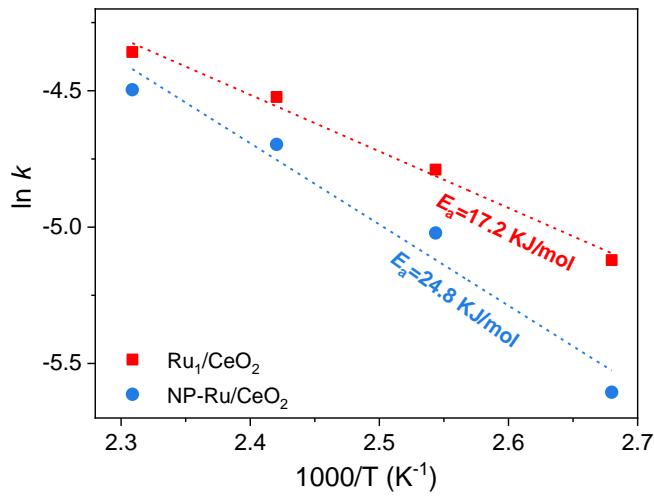


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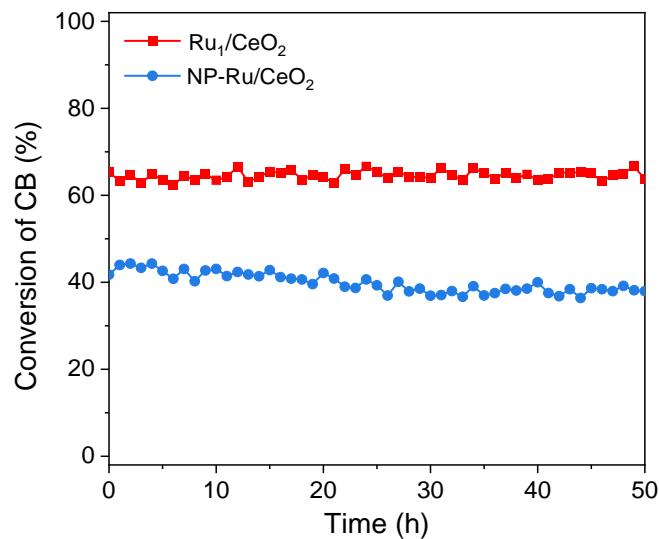


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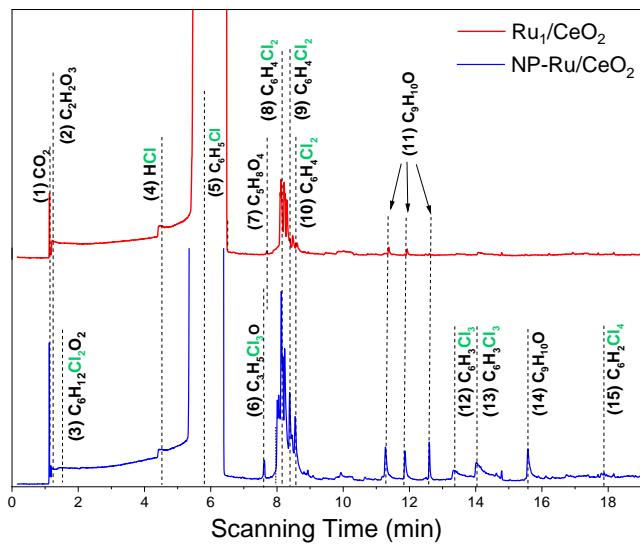
**Figure S7.** Ru atoms tend to bind to the hollow site formed by 3 O atoms of CeO<sub>2</sub>(111). As for (RuO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub>(111), when n=3, the configuration of the Ru<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub> cluster loaded by CeO<sub>2</sub>(111) is the most stable model.



**Figure S8.** Arrhenius plots and apparent activation energy ( $E_a$ ) of  $Ru_1/CeO_2$  and  $NP\text{-}Ru/CeO_2$ , respectively. Reaction conditions: 1000 ppm CB/5 vol.%  $H_2O$ /air.



**Figure S9.** Long-term stability tests of CB oxidation tested at 200 °C over Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S10.** Possible reaction intermediate products detected by GC-MS during the CB oxidation at 240 °C over  $\text{Ru}_1/\text{CeO}_2$  and  $\text{NP-Ru}/\text{CeO}_2$ .

**Table S1.** ICP-OES study and physiochemical properties for all the samples.

Catalyst	Ru content (wt%) <sup>[a]</sup>	S <sub>BET</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> /g) <sup>[b]</sup>	Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g) <sup>[b]</sup>
CeO <sub>2</sub>	0	73.3	0.044
Ru <sub>1</sub> /CeO <sub>2</sub>	1.04	105.5	0.074
NP-Ru/CeO <sub>2</sub>	1.06	58.9	0.040

<sup>[a]</sup> The Ru content was determined by ICP-OES. <sup>[b]</sup> The surface area and pore volume were measured by N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherm.

**Table S2.** Structural parameters extracted from Ru K-edge XAFS fitting.

Samples	Shell	CN <sup>[a]</sup>	R (Å) <sup>[b]</sup>	$\sigma^2$ (10 <sup>-3</sup> Å <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>[c]</sup>	$\Delta E_0$ (eV) <sup>[d]</sup>	R-factor (%) <sup>[e]</sup>
Ru foil	Ru-Ru	12	2.67±0.003	3.0±0.5	4.6±0.7	0.9
RuO <sub>2</sub>	Ru-O	6	1.96	/	/	/
	Ru-Ru	2	3.11	/	/	
NP-Ru/CeO <sub>2</sub>	Ru-O	4.5±0.6	1.94±0.01	4.2±1.9	-3.9±1.8	
	Ru-Ru	2.2±0.6	3.14±0.05	5.0±1.9	-3.9±1.8	2.1
Ru <sub>1</sub> /CeO <sub>2</sub>	Ru-O	4.1±0.9	1.95±0.02	5.9±3.1	3.0±2.8	
	Ru-Ru	/	/	/	/	1.4

<sup>[a]</sup> CN, coordination number. <sup>[b]</sup> R, distance between absorber and backscatter atoms. <sup>[c]</sup>  $\sigma^2$ , Debye–Waller-factor to account for both thermal disorder and structural disorder. <sup>[d]</sup>  $\Delta E_0$ , inner potential correction to account for the differences in the inner potential between the sample and the reference compound. <sup>[e]</sup> R-Factor (%) indicates the goodness of the fit. The obtained  $S_0^2$  of Ru foil was 0.75 and it was fixed in the subsequent fitting of Ru foil K-edge data for the catalyst.

**Table S3.** Surface properties for CeO<sub>2</sub>, Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub>.

Entry	Catalyst	O <sub>β</sub> /(O <sub>α</sub> +O <sub>β</sub> ) <sup>[a]</sup>	EPR ratio <sup>[b]</sup>	I <sub>D</sub> /IF <sub>2g</sub> <sup>[c]</sup>
1	CeO <sub>2</sub>	0.37	1	0.0145
2	Ru <sub>1</sub> /CeO <sub>2</sub>	0.44	1.66	0.0568
3	NP-Ru/CeO <sub>2</sub>	0.67	1.99	0.0811

<sup>[a]</sup> Determined from the XPS in O 1s region. <sup>[b]</sup> Determined from the EPR spectra, we set the integrated area (in the range from 2.003-2.030) of CeO<sub>2</sub> as 1, the EPR ratio was calculated based on the integrated area of Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub> divide the integrated area of CeO<sub>2</sub>. <sup>[c]</sup> Determined from Raman spectra.

**Table S4.** Recently reported Ru-based catalysts for CB catalytic oxidation.

Catalysts	GHSV (mL/g h) and CB Conc. (ppm)	T <sub>50</sub> / T <sub>90</sub> (°C)	Rate at 200 °C (mmol/(g h))	Ru content (wt.%)	TOFs at 200 °C (h <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref.
<b>Ru<sub>I</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>30000, 1000</b>	<b>192/220</b>	<b>0.83</b>	<b>1.04</b>	<b>8.07</b>	<b>this work</b>
<b>NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>30000, 1000</b>	<b>202/227</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>1.06</b>	<b>5.28</b>	<b>this work</b>
Ru/Fe1Mn2	20000, 600	158/197	0.53	0.94	5.70	<sup>1</sup>
0.05P/RuCe	15000, 217	175/250	0.09	0.75	1.27	<sup>2</sup>
Ru/SnO <sub>2</sub>	30000, 1000	280/310	0.03	1.21	0.22	<sup>3</sup>
1%Ru/TiO <sub>2</sub>	60000, 500	275/287	0.01	1.00	0.14	<sup>4</sup>
Ru5/Ti-350	60000, 500	240/260	0.16	4.83	0.34	<sup>5</sup>
1Ru-5Ce/TiO <sub>2</sub>	60000, 500	258/283	0.07	0.50	1.35	<sup>6</sup>
1%Ru/Ti <sub>5</sub> Ce <sub>95</sub>	12000, 550	187/224	0.20	1.15	1.73	<sup>7</sup>
1%Ru/SBA-15	12000, 550	312/350	0.01	1.00	0.06	<sup>8</sup>
Ru/CeO <sub>2</sub> -r	30000, 1000	230/280	0.28	0.38	7.48	<sup>9</sup>
1%Ru-CeO <sub>2</sub>	12000, 550	205/248	0.13	0.58	2.26	<sup>10</sup>
Ru/CeO <sub>2</sub>	60000, 1000	250/280	0.03	0.80	0.34	<sup>11</sup>

**Table S5.** Qualitative analyses of the byproducts in the off-gases from the CB oxidation over Ru<sub>1</sub>/CeO<sub>2</sub> and NP-Ru/CeO<sub>2</sub> samples.

No.	Molecular formula	Molecular structure	Compound name
1	CO <sub>2</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub>	carbon dioxide
2	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		2-oxoacetic acid
3	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		1,1-dichloro-2,2-dimethoxyethane
4	HCl	HCl	chlorine hydride
5	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Cl		chlorobenzene
6	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> O		1,1,1-trichloropropan-2-ol
7	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>4</sub>		dimethyl malonate
8	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>		1,3-dichlorobenzene
9	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>		1,4-dichlorobenzene
10	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>		1,2-dichlorobenzene
11	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O		2,4-dimethylbenzaldehyde
12	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub>		1,3,5-trichlorobenzene
13	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub>		1,2,4-trichlorobenzene
14	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O		3,4-dimethylbenzaldehyde
15	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub>		1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene

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