## **Supporting Information for**

## Synthesis of Self-Pillared Pentasil Zeolites without Organic Templates

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**Figure S1.** XRD patterns and SEM images of the samples synthesized with different cations: LiOH (a, b); KOH (c, d). (Aging at 90 °C for 12 h, crystallization at 175 °C for 4.5 days)



**Figure S2.** XRD patterns and SEM images of the samples synthesized with different NaOH/SiO<sub>2</sub> ratio: 0.05 (a, b), 0.1 (c, d) and 0.2 (e, f). (Aging at 90 °C for 12 h, crystallization at 175 °C for 4.5 days)



Figure S3. SEM images of the samples synthesized at different aging temperatures: 30  $^{\circ}$ C (a) and 60  $^{\circ}$ C (b). (Aging for 12 h, crystallization at 175  $^{\circ}$ C for 4.5 days)



**Figure S4.** SEM images of the samples synthesized under different crystallization conditions: 150 °C for 4 days (a); 160 °C for 4 days (b); 170 °C for 4 days (c); 180 °C for 3 days (d).



Figure S5. DRIFT spectrum of SPP zeolite in the hydroxyl region.



**Figure S6.** Ar adsorption/desorption isotherms (a) and pore distribution plots (b) calculated by SF methods of Na-SPP and Mg-SPP samples.



**Figure S7.** SEM images of the samples synthesized at 175 °C for different crystallization time: 4.5 days (a), 4.5 days + 2 h (b) and 4.5 days + 4 h (c).



**Figure S8.** XRD patterns in the region 43–47° of the samples synthesized with different crystallization time.



**Figure S9.** SEM images of the samples synthesized at 175 °C with different crystallization time: 4.5 days+ 4 h (a), 4.5 days + 8 h (b) and 5 days (c).



Figure S10. XRD patterns of samples with different SARs: 50 (a), 40 (b) and 30 (c). (Aging at 90  $^{\circ}$ C for 12 h, crystallization at 175  $^{\circ}$ C for 4.5 days)



**Figure S11.** UV-vis spectra of Co<sup>2+</sup>-exchanged zeolite samples with different SARs: 20 (a), 30 (b), 40 (c) and 50 (d).



Figure S12. XRD pattern (a) and SEM image (b) of the sample synthesized by adding 10% obtained SPP zeolites as seeds into the gel with SAR of 50. (Aging at 90 °C for 12 h, crystallization at 175 °C for 4.5 days)



**Figure S13.** XRD pattern (a) and SEM image (b) of the commercial ZSM-5 with SAR of 28.



**Figure S14.** Ar adsorption/desorption isotherms (a) and pore distribution plots (b) of commercial ZSM-5 (SAR=28) and H-SPP zeolite.



Figure S15. Catalytic cracking of n-heptane on H-SPP zeolites (a) and commercial ZSM-

5 (b). Reaction conditions: WHSV= 4 h<sup>-1</sup>, T= 400 °C, total N<sub>2</sub> flow= 100 mL min<sup>-1</sup>.