## Straightforward synthesis of MTW-type magnesium silicalite for

## CO<sub>2</sub> fixation with epoxides under mild conditions<sup>+</sup>

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Figure S1 XRD pattern of Mg-Si-ZSM-12(20) synthesized by using NaOH as the alkali source. The initial gel composition: 40 SiO<sub>2</sub>: 2 MgO: 8 TEAOH: 320 H<sub>2</sub>O; Crystallization: 140 °C, 14 d.



Figure S2 XRD patterns of the samples synthesized by using (A) NaOH, (B) KOH and (C) NaOH and KOH as the alkali sources (NaOH/KOH mass ratio: 1:1). The initial gel composition: 40 SiO<sub>2</sub>: 0.8 MgO: 8 TEAOH: 320 H<sub>2</sub>O; Crystallization: 140 °C, 14 d. (D) XRD patterns of the samples synthesized with different H<sub>2</sub>O/SiO<sub>2</sub> ratio. The initial gel composition: 40 SiO<sub>2</sub>: 0.8 MgO: 8 TEAOH: *y* H<sub>2</sub>O; Crystallization: 140 °C, 14 d, pH=12.3.



Figure S3 (A) XRD patterns of the samples synthesized with different TEAOH/SiO<sub>2</sub>. The initial gel composition: 40 SiO<sub>2</sub>: 0.8 MgO: *x* TEAOH: 320 H<sub>2</sub>O; Crystallization: 140 °C, 14 d, pH=12.3. (B) XRD patterns of the samples synthesized under different crystallization time, synthetic parameters: 40 SiO<sub>2</sub>:0.8 MgO: 8 TEAOH: 320 H<sub>2</sub>O; Crystallization: 140 °C, pH=12.3.



Figure S4 Pore size distribution curves of Mg-Si-ZSM-12(*n*) series.



Figure S5 SEM images of (A) Mg-Si-ZSM-12(100) and (B) Mg-Si-ZSM-12(25).



Figure S6 Fitting parameters of virial equation to CO<sub>2</sub> uptakes at 273/298 K for Mg-

Si-ZSM-12(100).



Figure S7 Fitting parameters of virial equation to CO<sub>2</sub> uptakes at 273/298 K for Mg-

Si-ZSM-12(50).



Figure S8 Fitting parameters of virial equation to  $CO_2$  uptakes at 273/298 K for Mg-Si-ZSM-12(25).



Figure S9 Kinetic curves in Mg-Si-ZSM-12(50) and MgS-1 catalyzed Knoevenagel condensation of benzaldehyde and ethyl cyanoacetate. Reaction condition: benzaldehyde (8 mmol), ethyl cyanoacetate (8 mmol), catalyst (0.1 g), ethanol (5 mL), 70 °C, 4 h.



Figure S10 Adsorption kinetic curves of 1,2-epoxytetradecane. The adsorption test was performed by placing 50 mg catalyst in 1 mL ethyl acetate containing 5 mg 1,2-epoxytetradecane. The left Y-axis represents the adsorption amount (mg g<sup>-1</sup>), while the right one shows the corresponding adsorption percentage (%).



Figure S11 (A) Cycloaddition of  $CO_2$  with epichlorohydrin at different temperature for 10h; (B) Kinetic curves in cycloaddition of  $CO_2$  with epichlorohydrin at different temperature. Reaction condition: epichlorohydrin (5 mmol), catalyst (0.12 g),  $CO_2$ (1.0 bar), TBAB (3 mol%, 0.048 g).



Figure S12 Cycloaddition of  $CO_2$  with 1,2-epoxyhexane with TBAB alone in the reaction. Reaction condition: 1,2-epoxyhexane (5 mmol), catalyst (0.12 g),  $CO_2$  (1.0 bar), 90 °C, 9 h.



Figure S13 In situ FT-IR spectra of adsorbed (A) CO<sub>2</sub> and (B) epoxide (epoxypropane) on Mg-Si-ZSM-12(50).



Scheme S1 Probable catalytic routes for Mg-Si-ZSM-12 catalyzed  $CO_2$  cycloaddition with epoxide in the (A) absence and (B) presence of TBAB. (C) The formation of side-product 1,2-diol in the presence of trace water.