

## Supporting Information

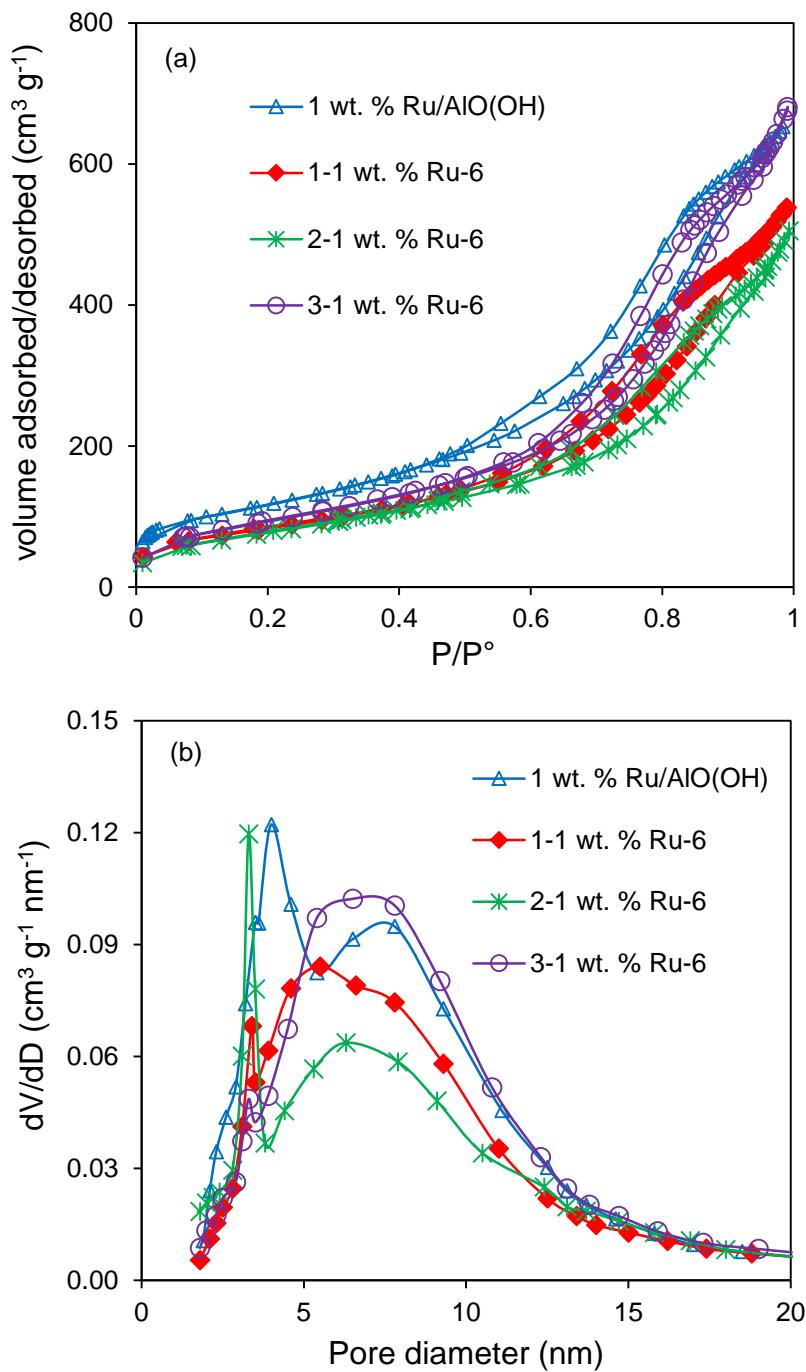
# Chemoselective transfer hydrogenation of $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl compounds using potassium formate over amine-grafted Ru/AlO(OH) catalysts

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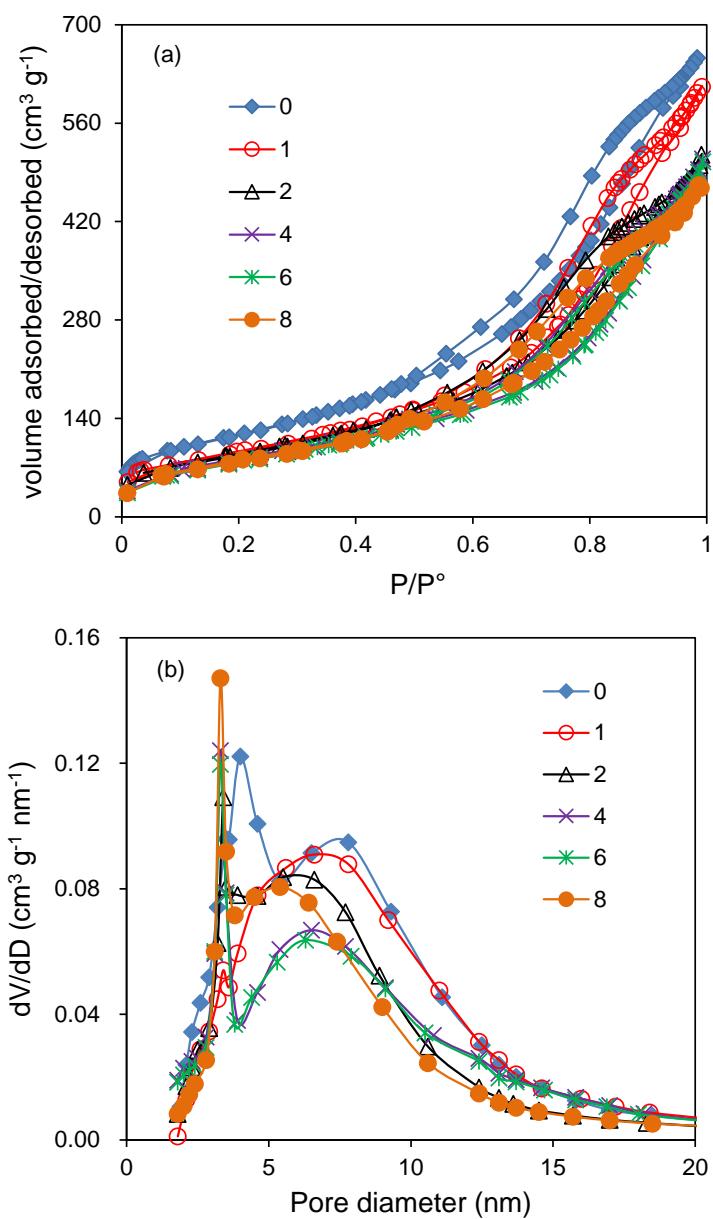
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**Table S1.** Textural properties of Ru/AlO(OH) samples

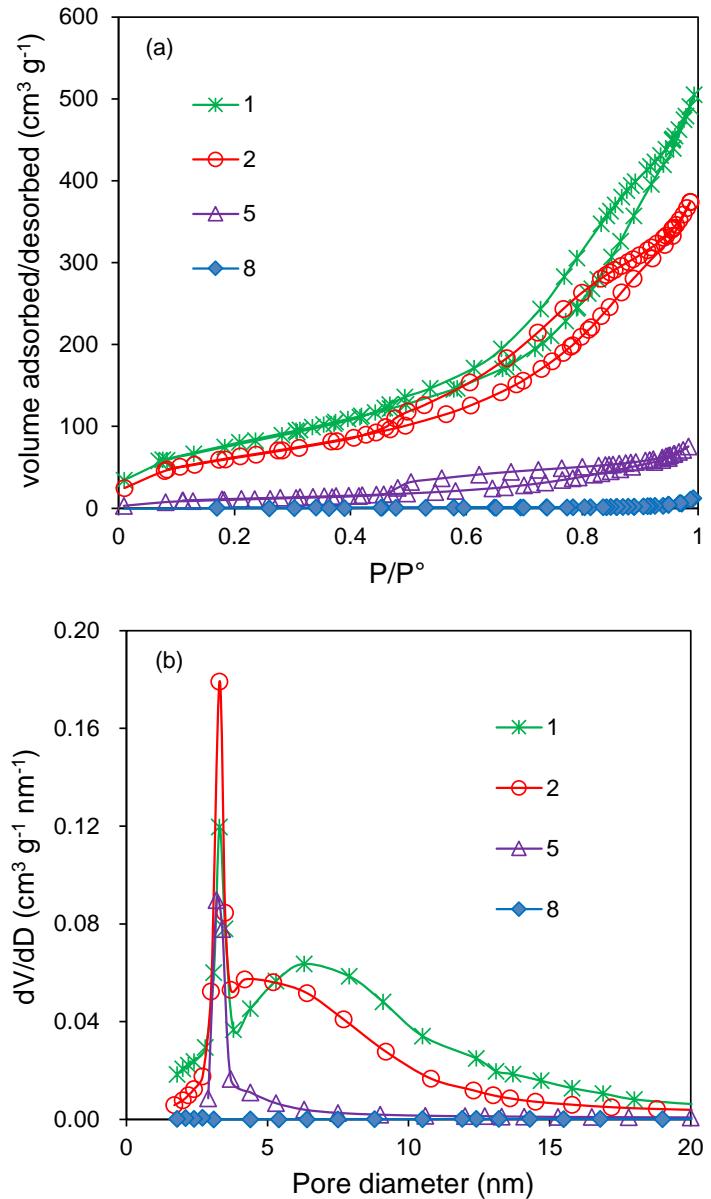
Ru (wt. %)	Surface area ( $\text{m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )	Pore volume ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )
1	425	1.01
2	380	0.86
5	366	0.49
8	242	0.30
10	152	0.18



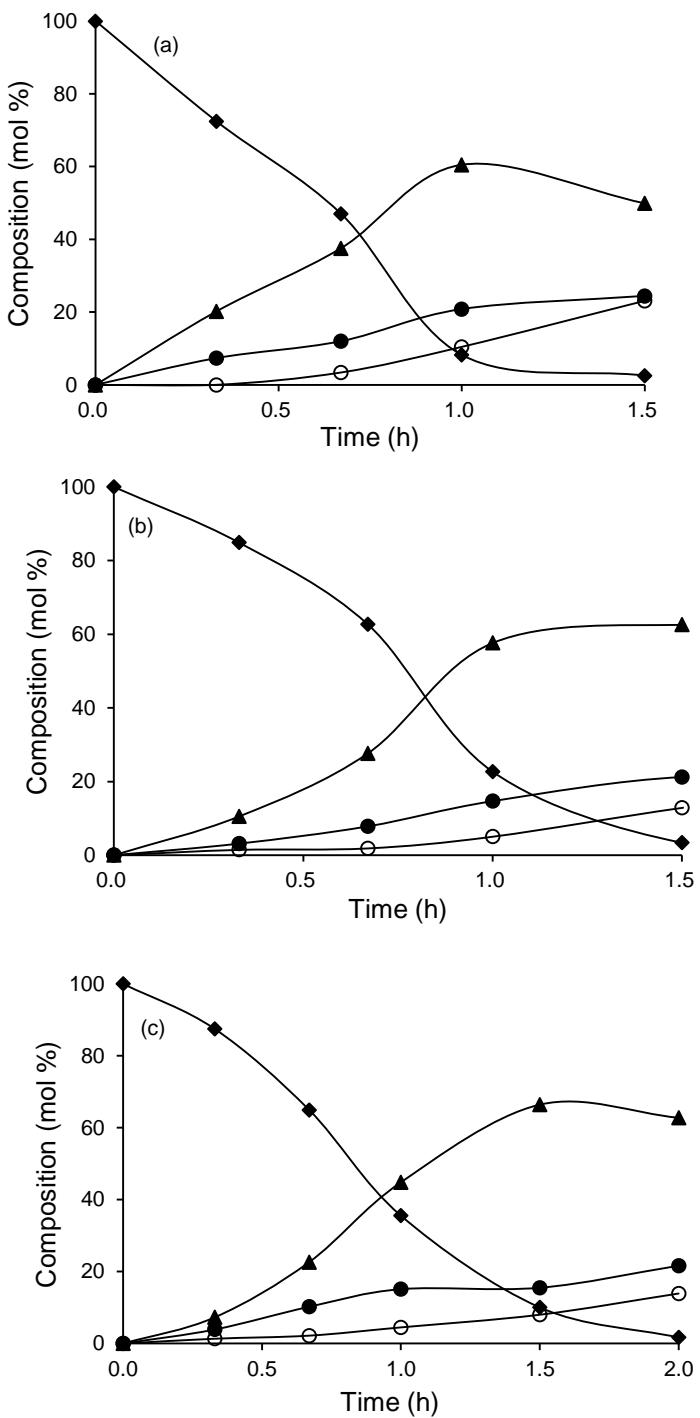
**Figure S1.** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms (a) and pore size distribution (b) for 1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH) and amines **1**, **2** and **3**-grafted 1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH) with an amine/Ru constant at 6.



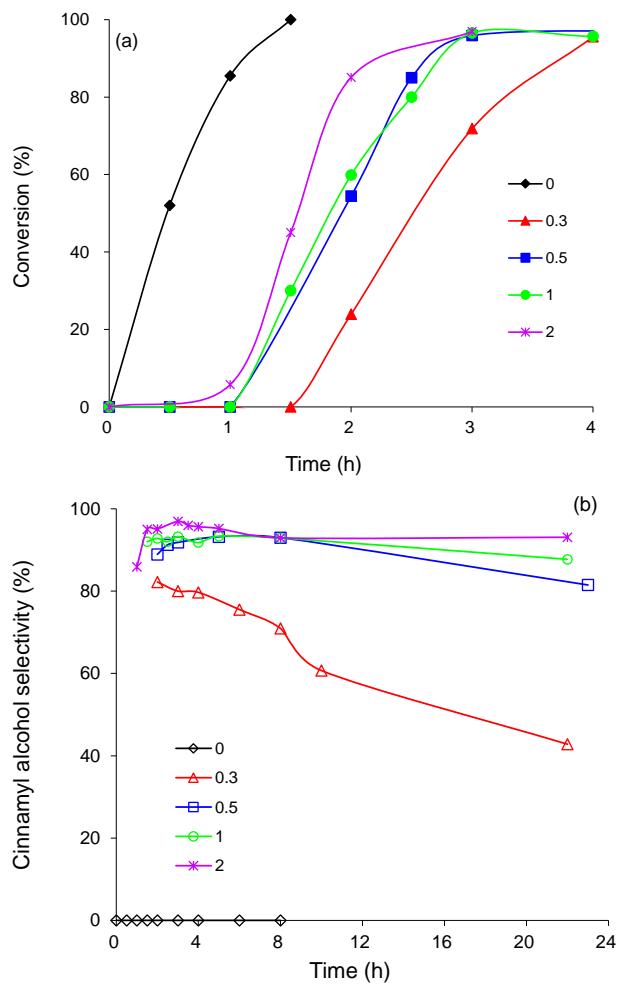
**Figure S2.** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms (a) and pore size distribution (b) for the amine 2-grafted 1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH) with different amine 2/Ru molar ratio.



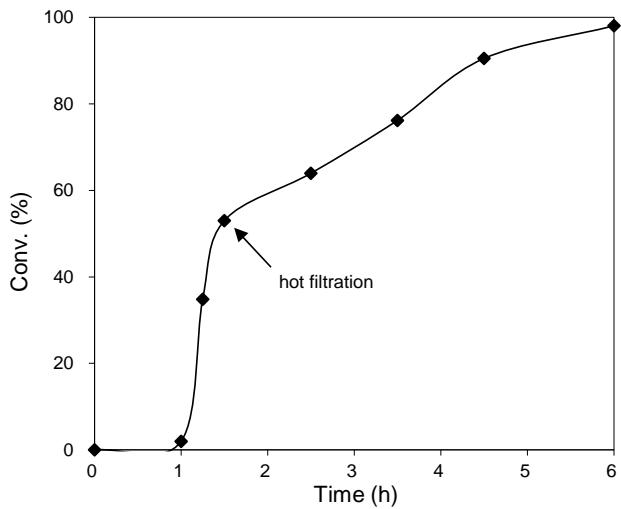
**Figure S3.** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms (a) and pore size distribution (b) for the amine 2-grafted Ru/AlO(OH) with different Ru loading at an amine/Ru of 6.



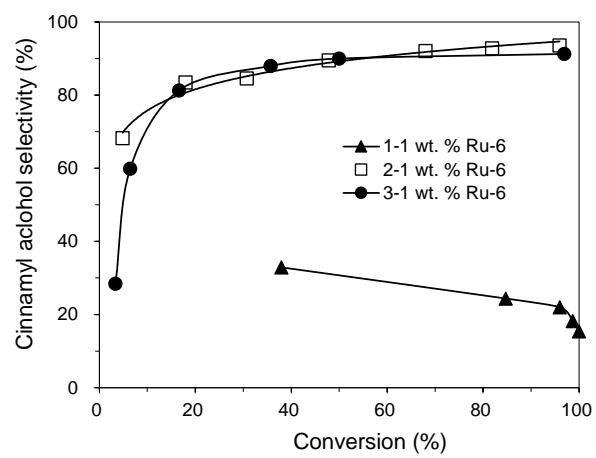
**Figure S4.** Kinetic profile for the transfer hydrogenation of cinnamaldehyde using Ru/Al(OH) with Ru loading of (a) 5, (b) 8 and (c) 10 wt. %. (◆) cinnamaldehyde (●) cinnamyl alcohol (▲) 3-phenylpropanal (○) 3-phenylpropanol.



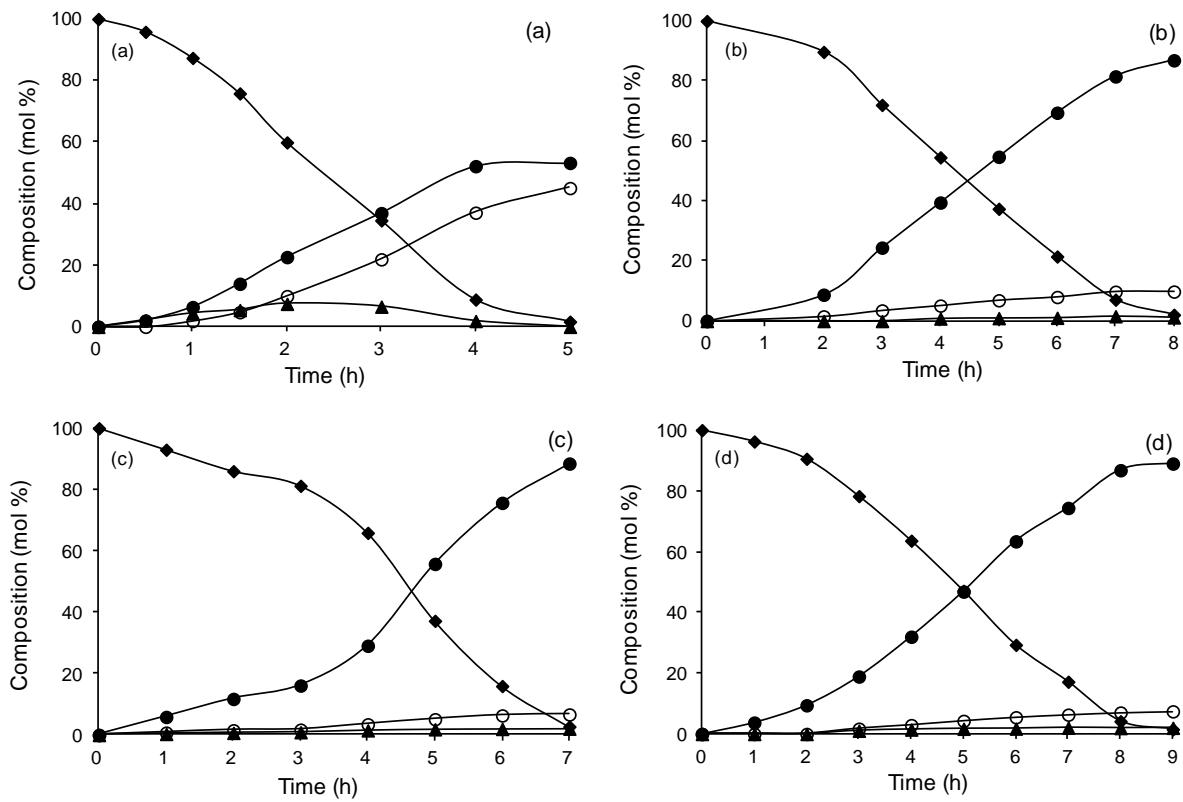
**Figure S5.** Effect of ethylenediamine/Ru molar ratio on the (a) conversion and (b) cinnamyl alcohol selectivity in the transfer hydrogenation of cinnamaldehyde over 1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH).



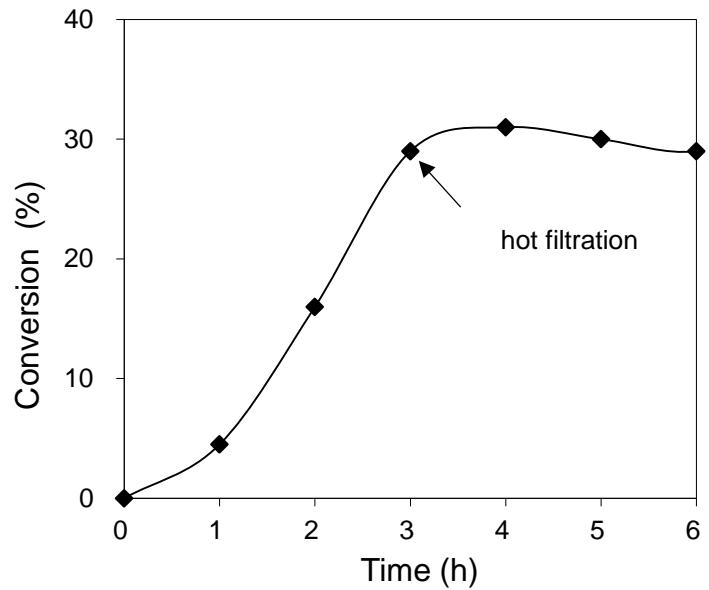
**Figure S6.** Leaching test for the transfer hydrogenation of cinnamaldehyde over 1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH) at an EDA/Ru of 2.



**Figure S7.** Cinnamyl alcohol selectivity as a function of conversion over ( $\blacktriangle$ ) **1**- ( $\square$ ) **2**- and ( $\blacklozenge$ )  $\bullet$ **3**-grafted-1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH) at amine/Ru molar ratio of 6.



**Figure S8.** Transfer hydrogenation of cinnamaldehyde over the amine **2** grafted-1 wt. % Ru/AlO(OH) at amine/Ru molar ratio of (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) and (d) 8. (◆) cinnamaldehyde (●) cinnamyl alcohol (▲) 3-phenylpropanal (○) 3-phenylpropanol.



**Figure S9.** Hot filtration test for the transfer hydrogenation of cinnamaldehyde over 2-1 wt. % Ru-6.