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Supporting Information

Crystal-plane effect of nanoscale CeO₂ on the catalytic performance of Ni/CeO₂ catalysts for methane dry reforming

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| Samples | S_{BET} (m ² /g) | d ₍₁₁₁₎ -spacing | Lattice | Crystalline | £ (%) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|
| | | | parameter | size (nm) | |
| | (m /g) | (IIIII) | (nm) | Size (IIIII) | |
| CeO ₂ -NRs | 80.5 | 0.3113 | 0.5392 | 12.3 | 0.7417 |
| CeO ₂ -NCs | 25.8 | 0.3111 | 0.5388 | 16.9 | 0.4906 |
| CeO ₂ - | <u>00 2</u> | 0 2117 | 0.5200 | 10 0 | 0.5225 |
| NOs | 80.2 | 0.3117 | 0.3399 | 10.2 | 0.3223 |
| CeO ₂ -NPs | 82.8 | 0.3115 | 0.5395 | 12.7 | 0.3960 |

Table S1 The BET surface areas (S_{BET}), lattice parameter (a_0), crystalline size, and the microstrain (ϵ) of the CeO₂ nanomaterials.

Table S2 Composition in various Ni/CeO_2 samples after reduction under H_2 at 700°C

for 1 h.

| | Composition | | The actual H_2 consumption | Degree of |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Samples | (wt%) ^a | | | Reduction |
| - | Ni | Ce | (µmoi/g) | (%) |
| Ni/CeO ₂ -NRs | 4.56 | 29.70 | 614 | 79.0 |
| Ni/CeO ₂ -NCs | 4.81 | 32.54 | 484 | 59.1 |
| Ni/CeO ₂ -NOs | 4.47 | 28.60 | 475 | 61.1 |
| Ni/CeO ₂ -NPs | 4.74 | 33.18 | 392 | 48.5 |

^a Ni and Ce contents were determined by ICP.



Fig. S1 The oxygen storage capacity (OSC) profiles of CeO₂-NRs, CeO₂-NCs, CeO₂-NOs and CeO₂-NPs.



Fig. S2 H₂-TPR profiles of CeO₂ nanomaterials.



Fig. S3 (a) TOFs_{CH4} and (b) the corresponding Arrhenius plots over Ni/CeO₂ catalysts.



Fig. S4 Catalytic mechanism diagram for methane dry reforming reaction over

Ni/CeO2-NR catalyst.