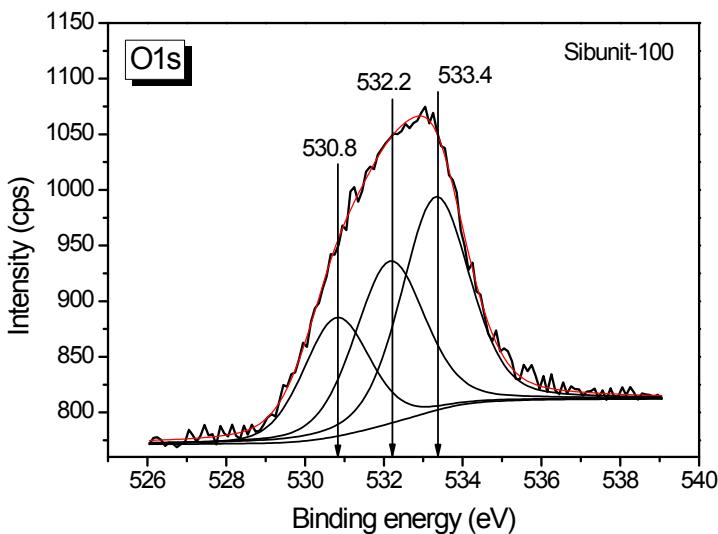


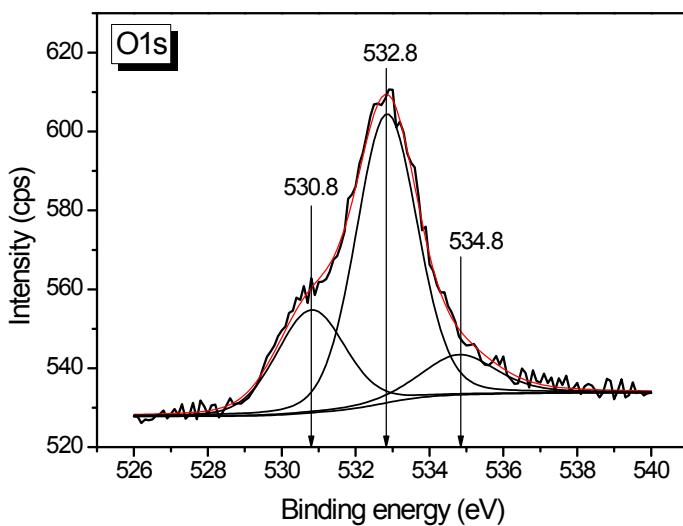
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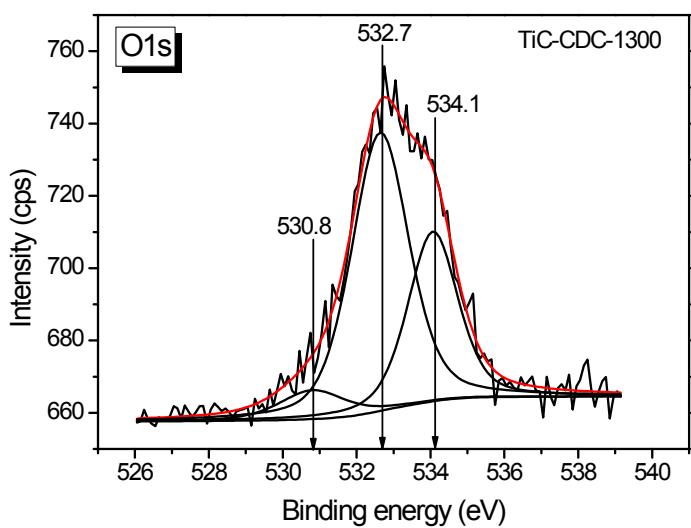
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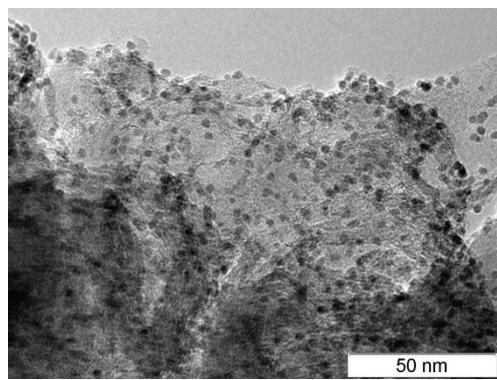
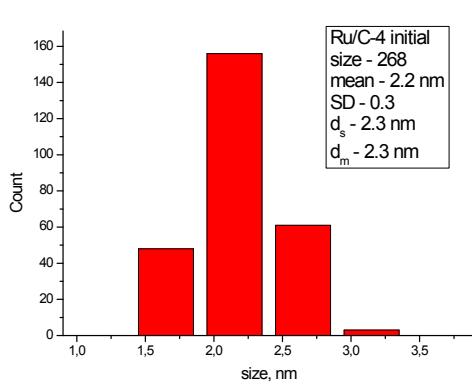
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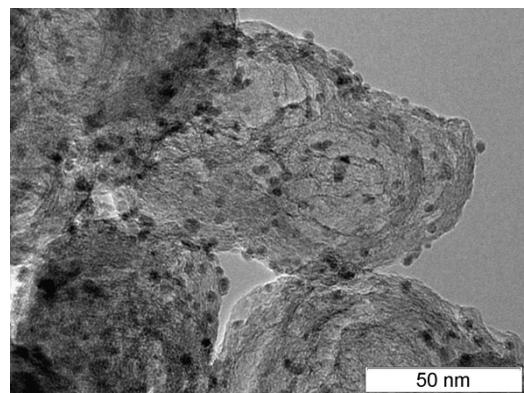
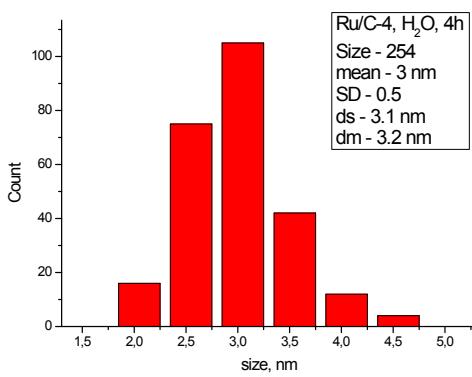
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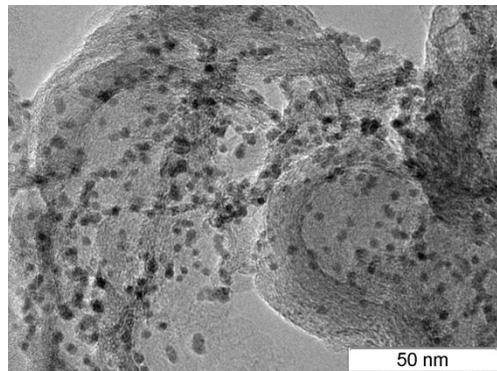
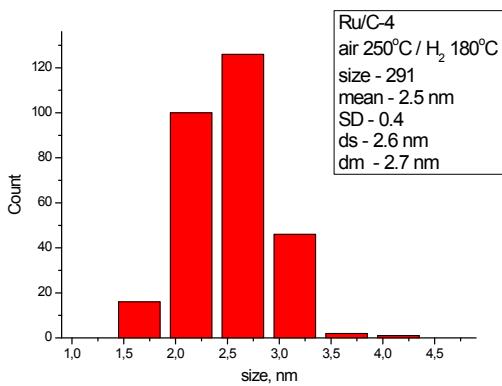
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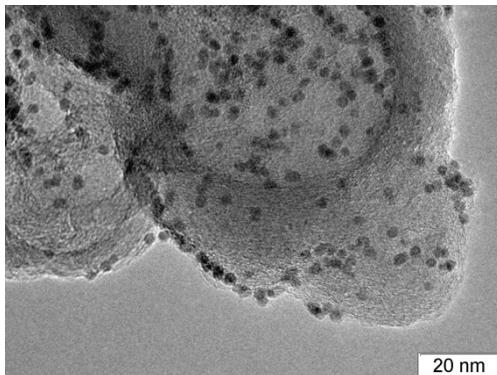
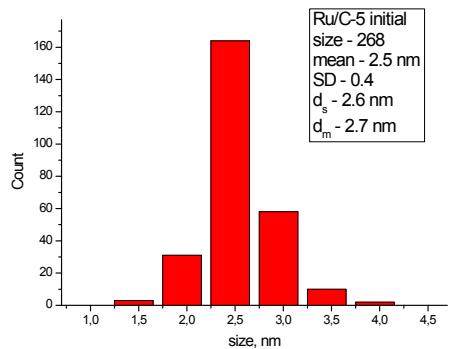
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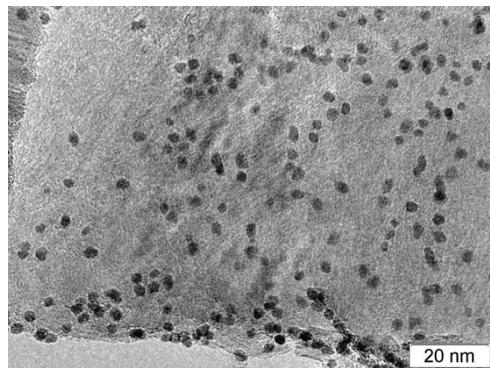
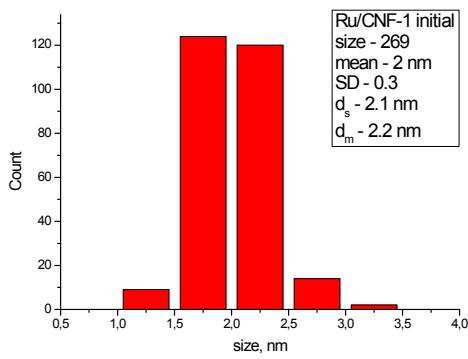


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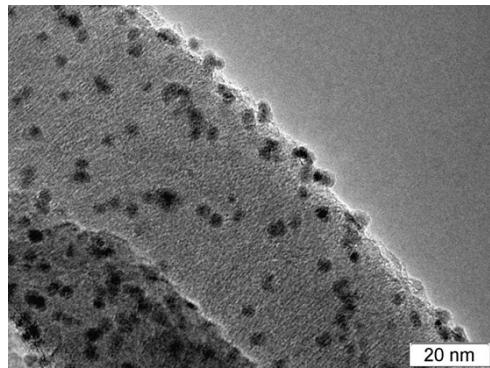
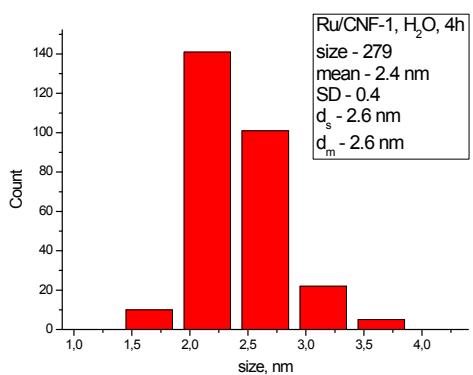


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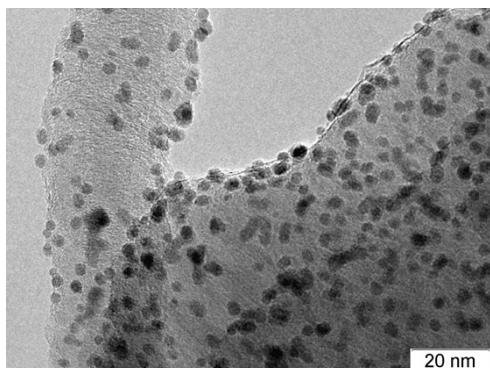
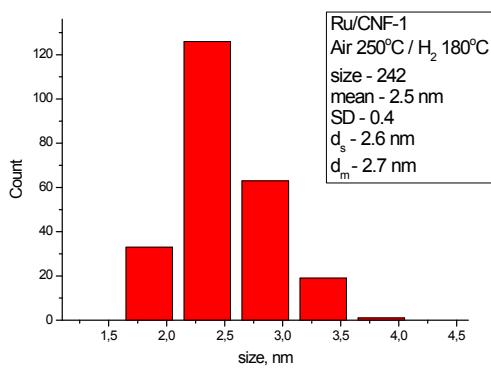
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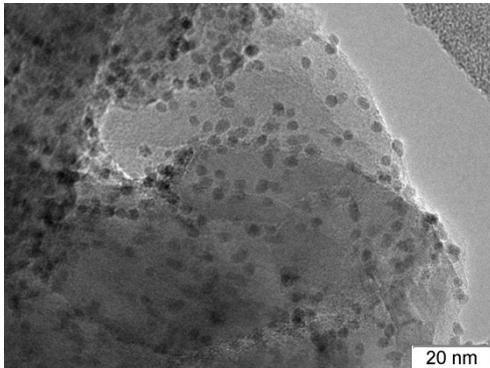
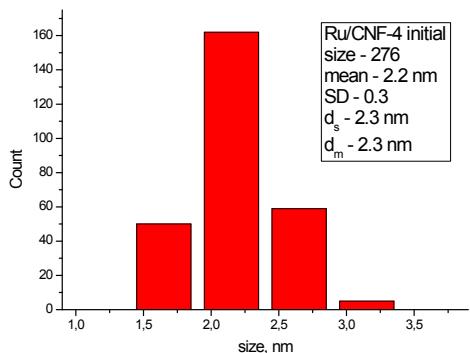
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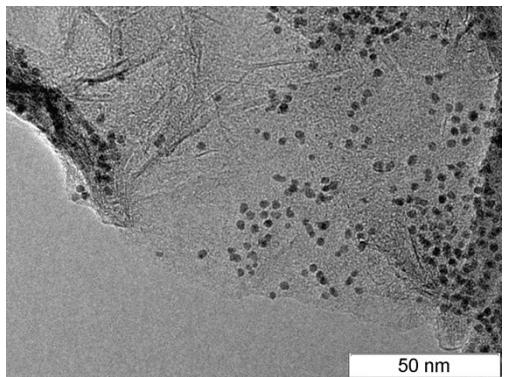
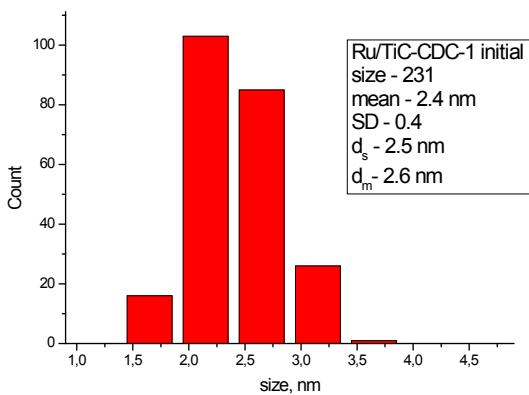


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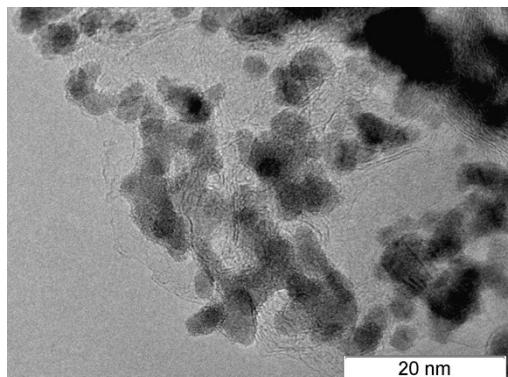


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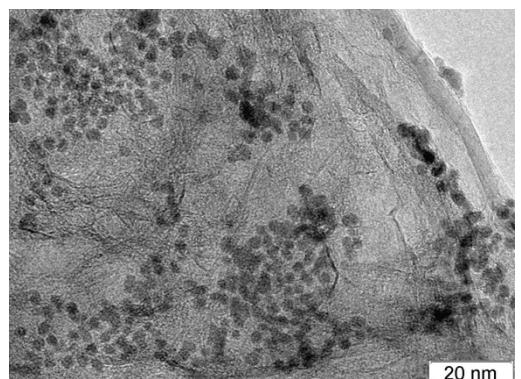
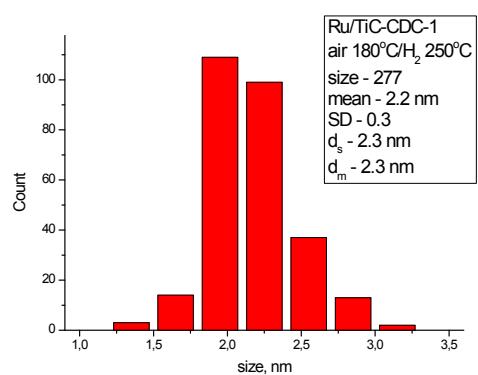
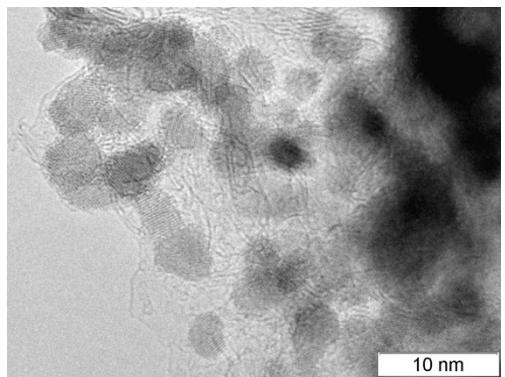
**Fig. S3.** Representative TEM images (right) and histogram of particles size distribution (left) of PVP-based Ru/CNF catalysts: a – Ru/CNF-1 initial; b - Ru/CNF-1,  $H_2O$ , 4 h; c - Ru/CNF-1, air, 180°C/ $H_2$ , 250°C; d - Ru/CNF-4 initial.



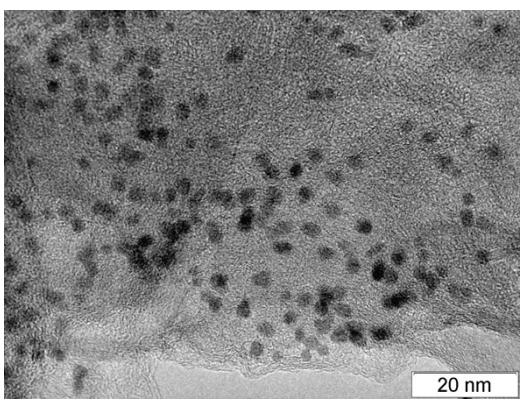
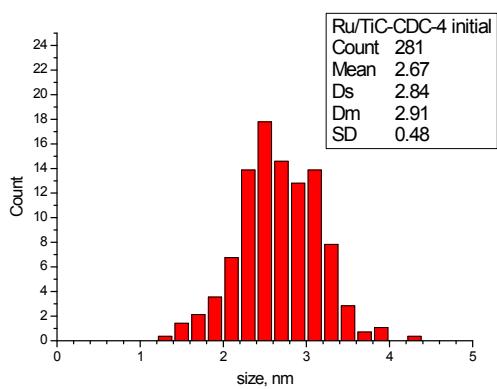
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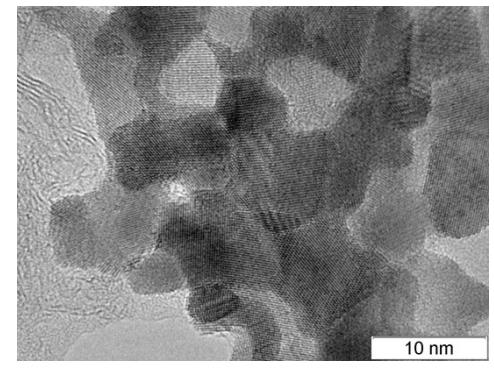
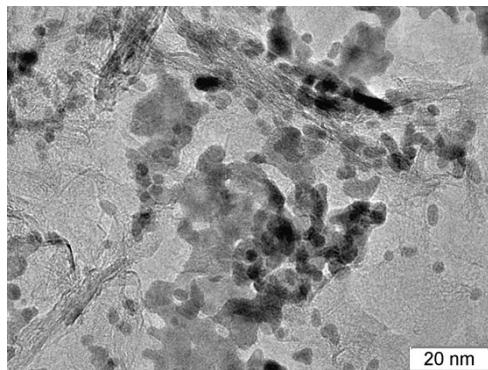
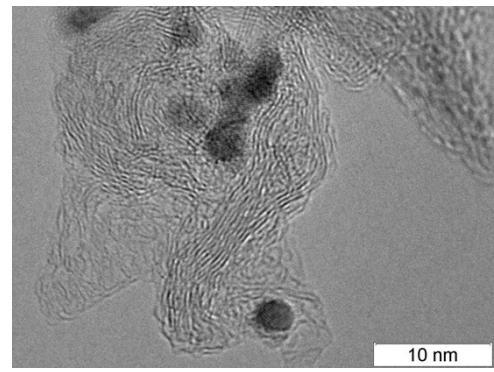
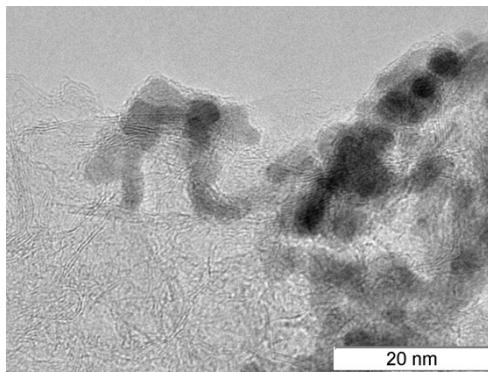
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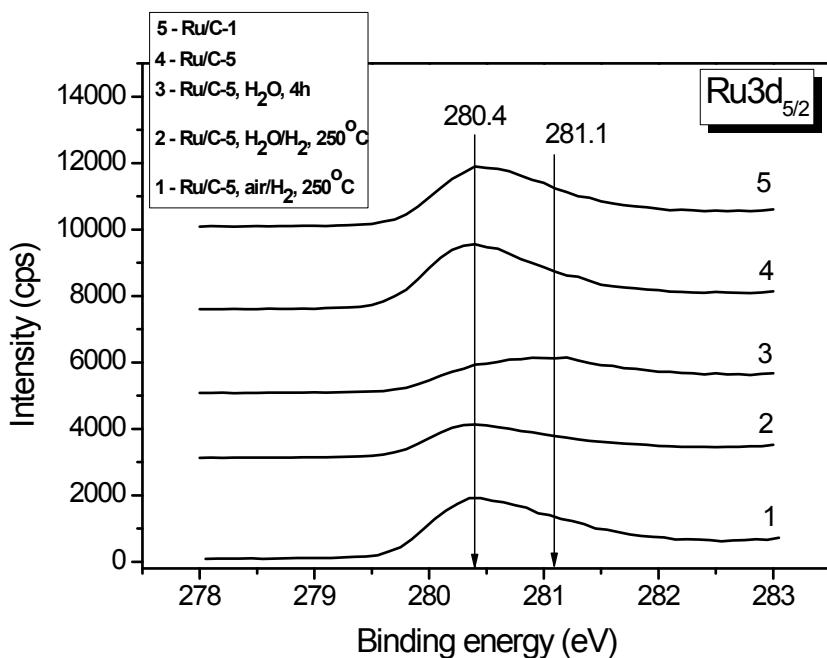
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**Fig. S4.** Representative TEM images (right) and histogram of particles size distribution (left) of PVP-based Ru/TiC-CDC catalysts: a – Ru/TiC-CDC-1 initial; b - Ru/TiC-CDC-1, H<sub>2</sub>O, 4 h; c - Ru/TiC-CDC-1, air, 180°C/H<sub>2</sub>, 250°C; d – Ru/TiC-CDC-4 initial; e - Ru/TiC-CDC-4, H<sub>2</sub>O, 4 h; f - Ru/TiC-CDC-4, air, 180°C/H<sub>2</sub>, 250°C.



**Fig. S5.** XP spectra of Ru3d<sub>5/2</sub> region of Ru/C-1 and Ru/C-5 series: 1 – Ru/C-1; 2 - Ru/C-5; 3 – Ru/C-5, H<sub>2</sub>O, 4h; 4 - Ru/C-5, H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>, 250°C; 5 - Ru/C-5, air/H<sub>2</sub>, 250°C.