

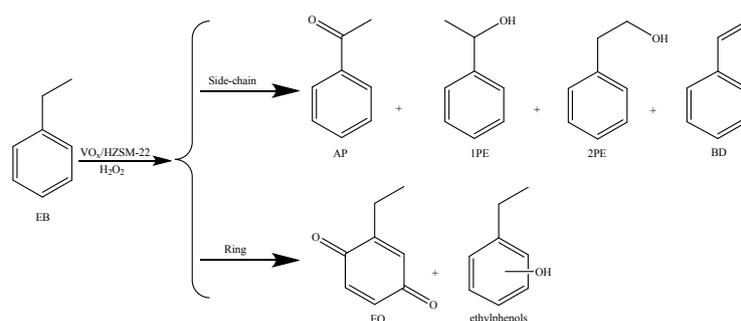
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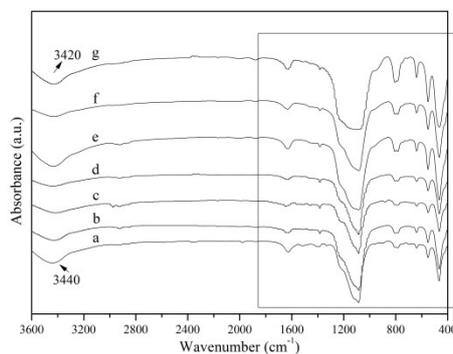
## Supplementary information for Partial oxidation of ethylbenzene by $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ on $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ catalyst

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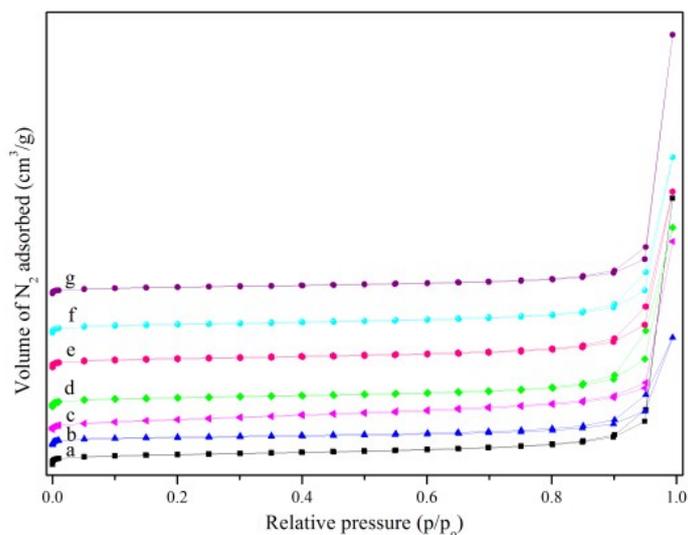
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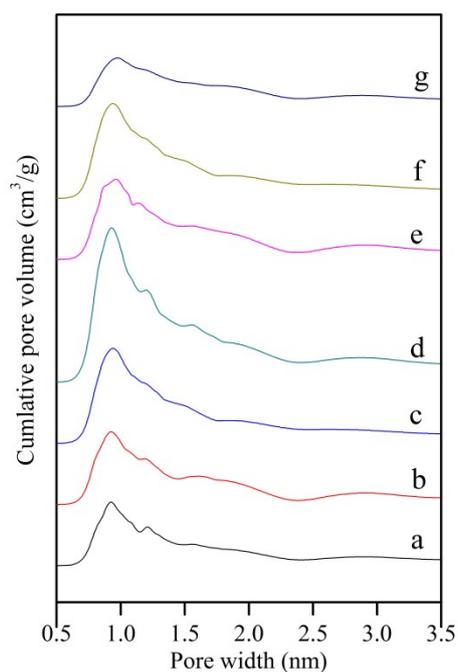
**Scheme S1** The reaction scheme of partial oxidation of ethylbenzene



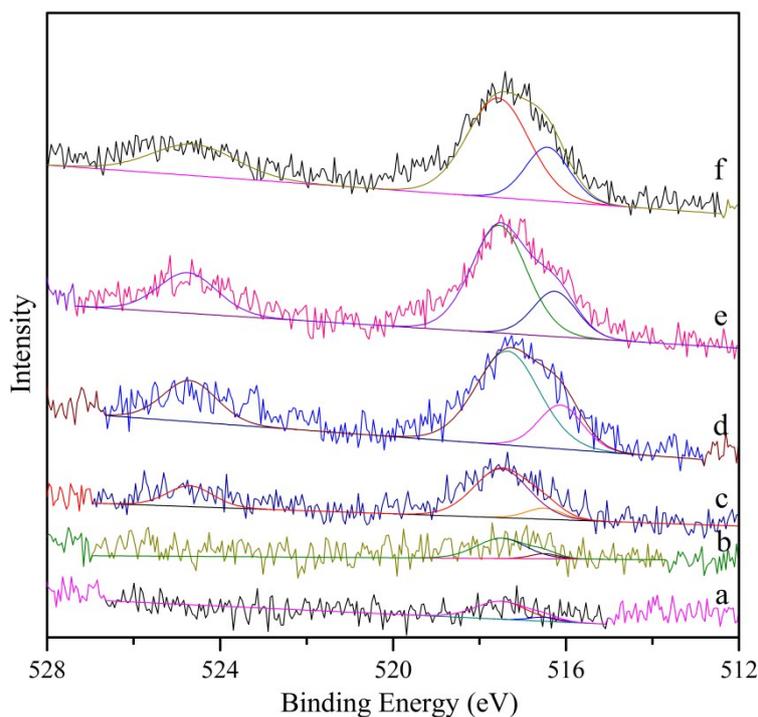
**Fig. S1** FTIR spectra of samples with different vanadium content: a-HZSM-22, b-0.09 wt%  $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ , c-0.36 wt%  $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ , d-0.71 wt%  $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ , e-0.96 wt%  $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ , f-1.81 wt%  $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ , g-2.86 wt%  $\text{VO}_x/\text{HZSM-22}$ .



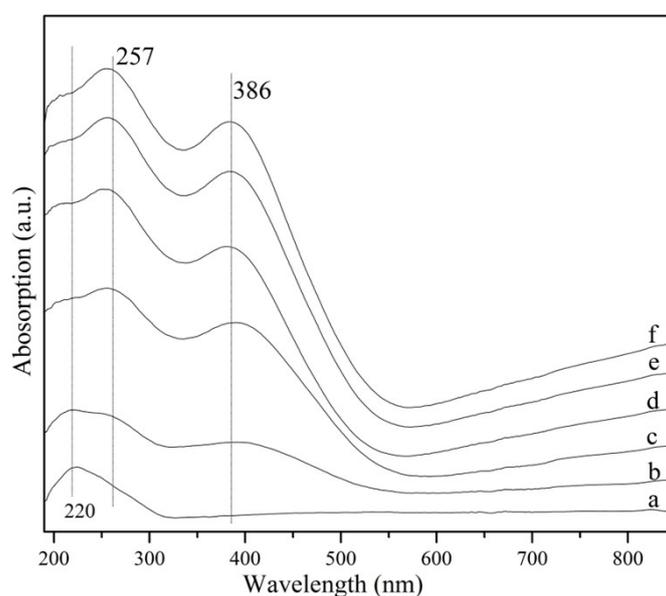
**Fig. S2**  $N_2$  adsorption-desorption isotherms: a-HZSM-22, b-0.09 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, c-0.36 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, d-0.71 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, e-0.96 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, f-1.81 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, g-2.86 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22.



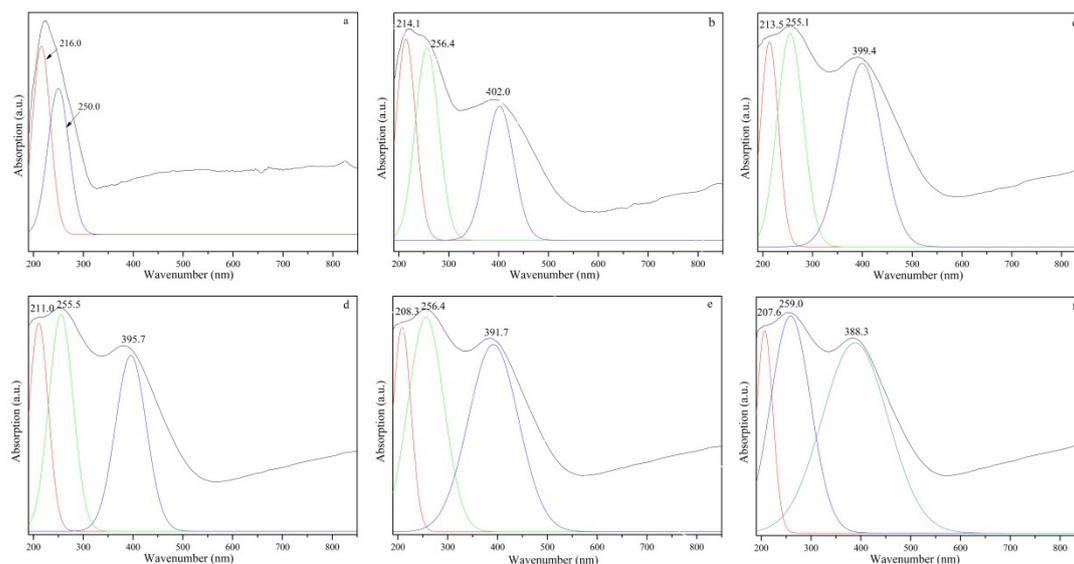
**Fig. S3** Pore size distributions calculated by Saito-Foley Method: a-HZSM-22, b-0.09 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, c-0.36 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, d-0.71 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, e-0.96 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, f-1.81 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22, g-2.86 wt%  $VO_x$ /HZSM-22.



**Fig. S4** The XPS spectra of V on the V/HZSM-22 with different vanadium content: a-0.09 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, b-0.36 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, c-0.71 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, d-0.96 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, e-1.81 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, f-2.86 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22.



**Fig. S5** DR UV-vis spectra of all the samples: a-0.09 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, b-0.36 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, c-0.71 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, d-0.96 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, e-1.81 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, f-2.86 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22.



**Fig. S6** DR UV-vis spectra of deconvolution to sub-bands: a-0.09 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, b-0.36 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, c-0.71 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, d-0.96 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, e-1.81 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, f-2.86 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22.

**Table S1** Recyclability of the used catalysts

Catalyst	Conv. (%)	S <sub>AP</sub> (%)	S <sub>Side-chain</sub> (%)	S <sub>ring</sub> (%)	Y <sub>AP</sub> (%)	Y <sub>BD</sub> (%)	Y <sub>1PE</sub> (%)	Y <sub>EQ</sub> (%)	Y <sub>ethylphenols</sub> (%)
Fresh catalyst	24.4	71.7	92.6	7.4	17.5	2.3	2.7	0.1	1.7
Second circle.	1.1	48.4	73.4	26.6	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.4
Third circle	0.1	0	0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Regenerated catalyst	2.8	54.1	82.7	17.3	1.5	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.5
Used catalyst(H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )	2.2	14.3	24.1	75.9	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	1.7
Used catalyst(CH <sub>3</sub> CN)	17.0	74.1	93.5	6.5	12.6	1.6	1.6	0.2	0.9
Solvent(H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )	2.1	32.2	48.0	52.0	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.0	1.1

Reaction condition: 200 mg 1.81 wt% VO<sub>x</sub>/HZSM-22, 70 °C, 4 h, 49.9 mmol 30 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, 8.2 mmol ethylbenzene, 10 ml acetonitrile