

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### Highly dispersed copper (oxide) nanoparticles prepared on SBA-15 partially occluded with P123 surfactant. Toward the design of active hydrogenation catalysts

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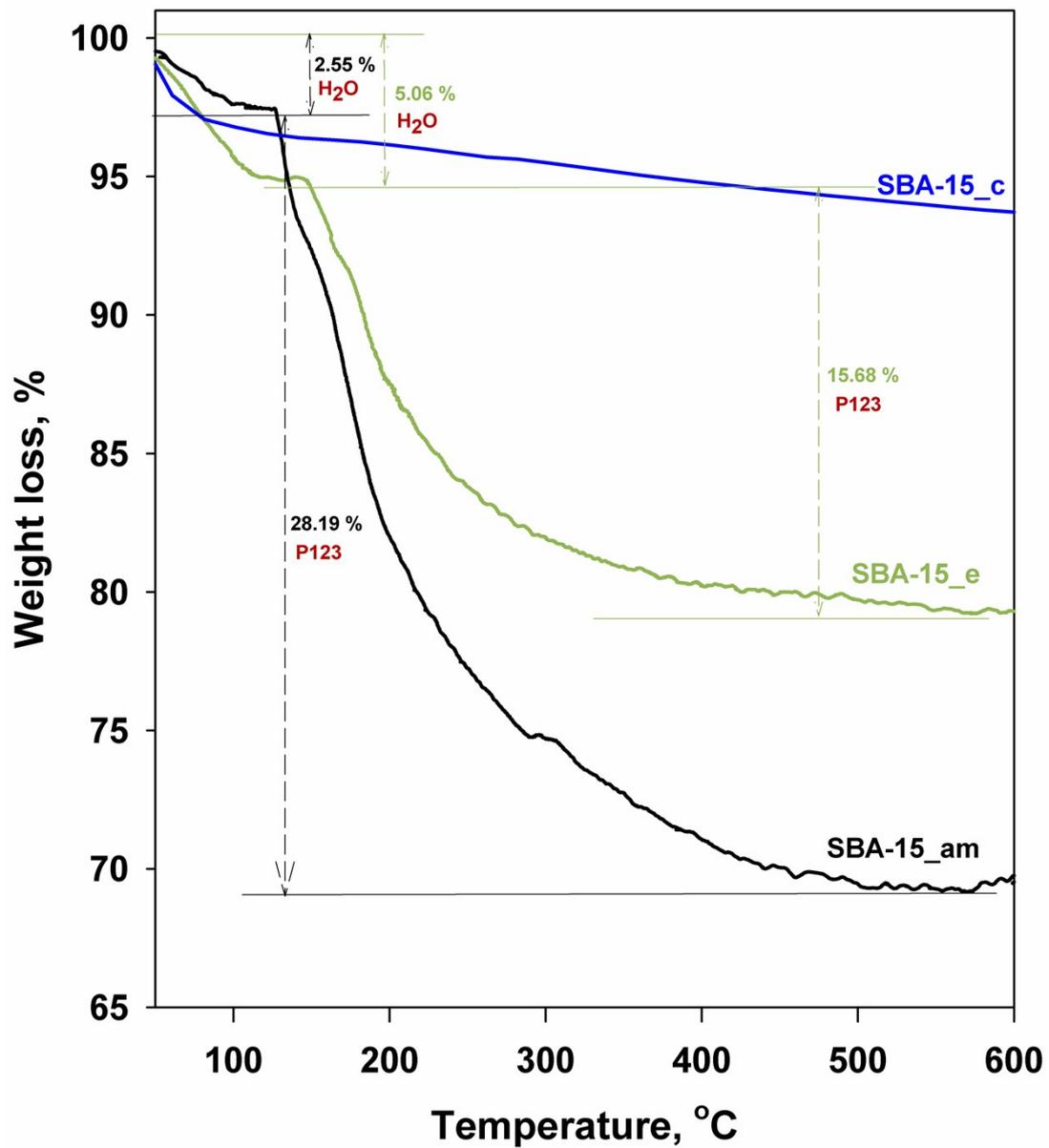
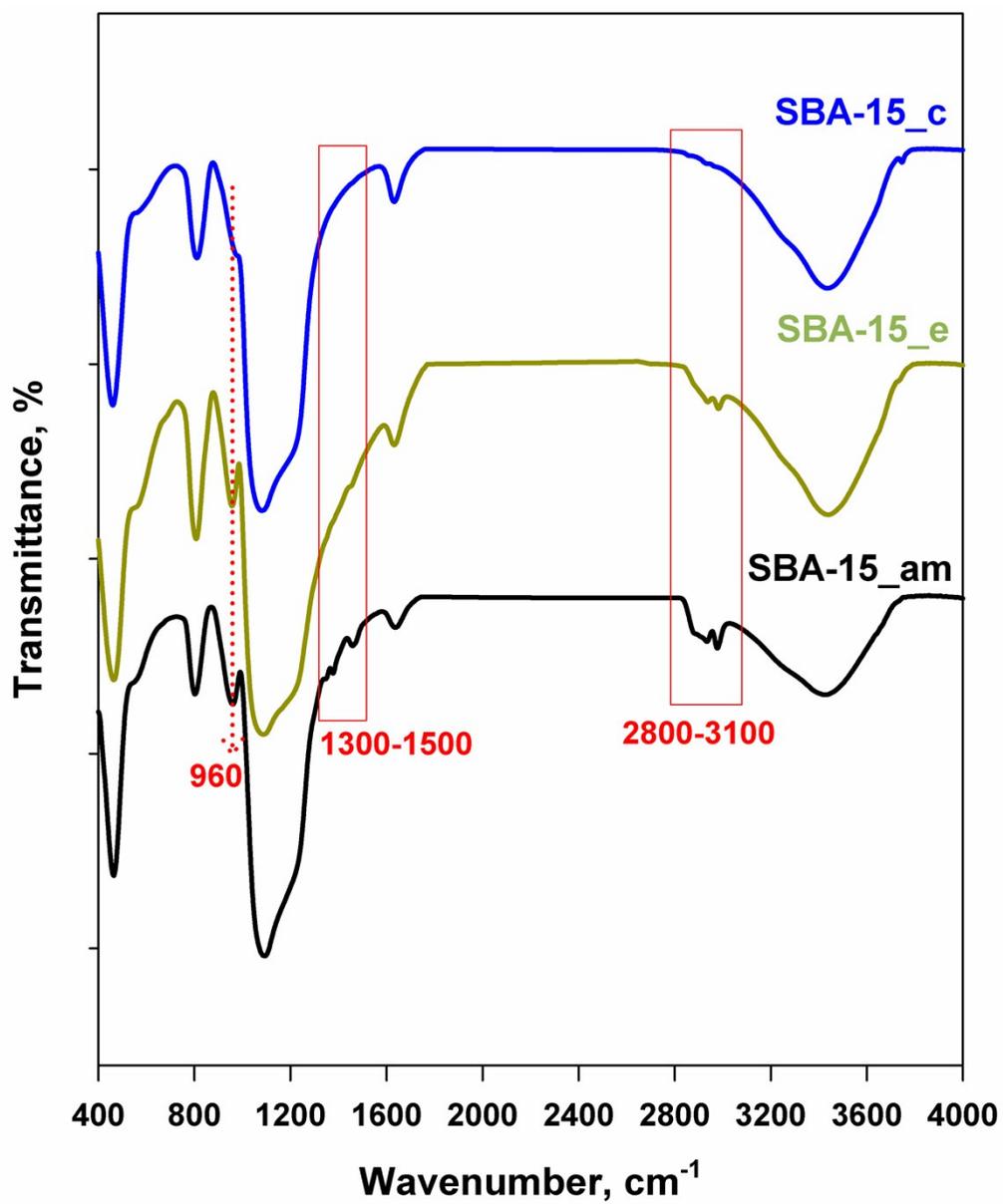
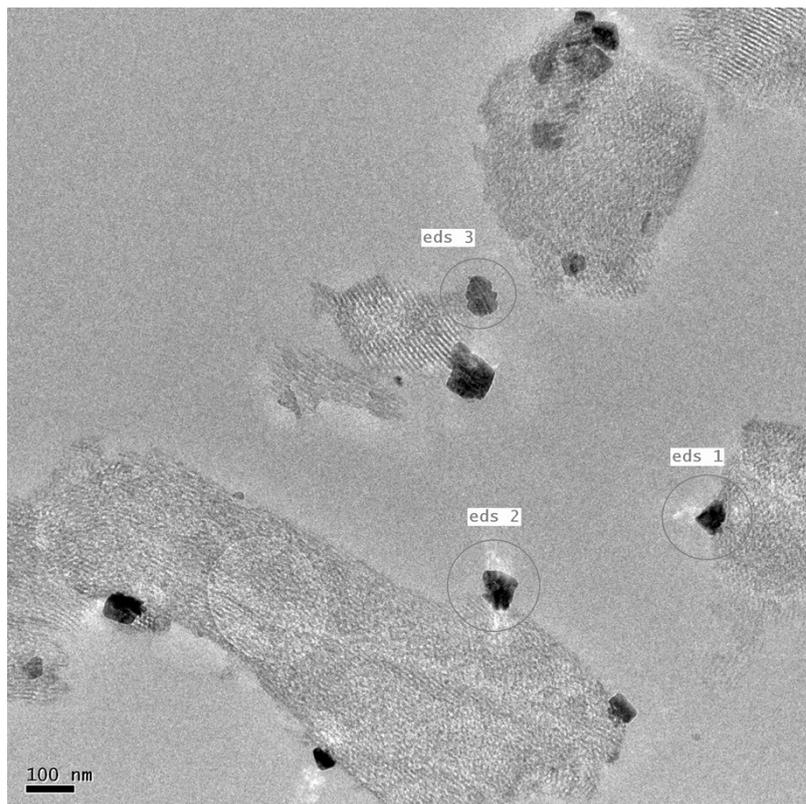


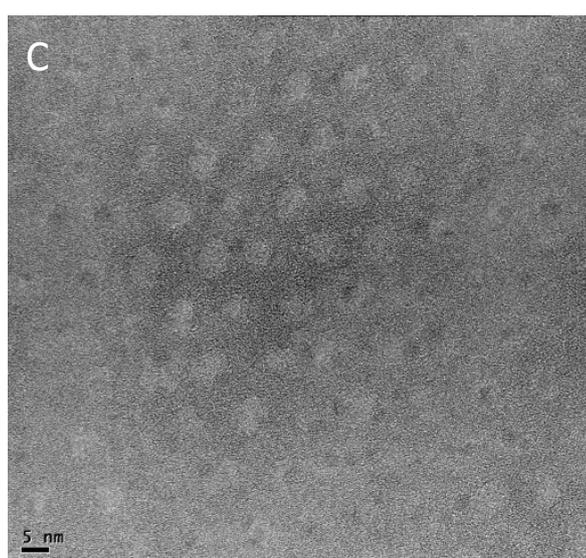
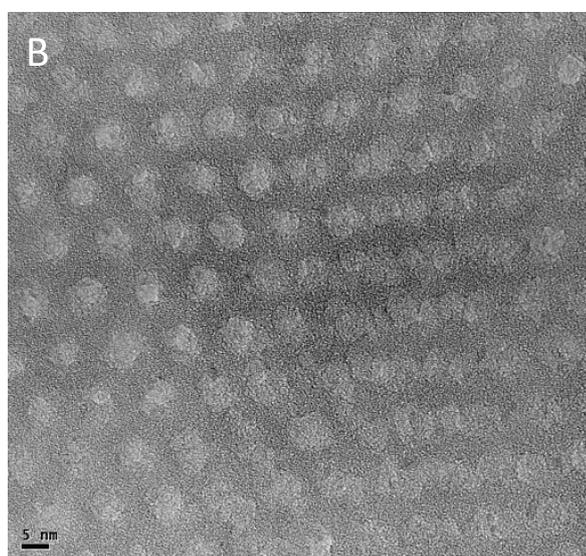
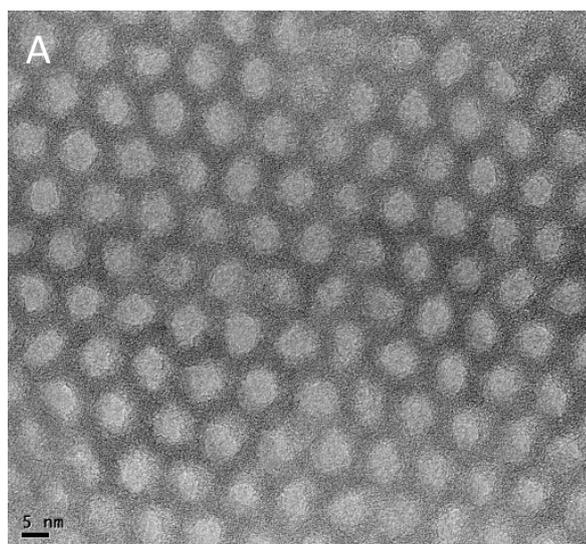
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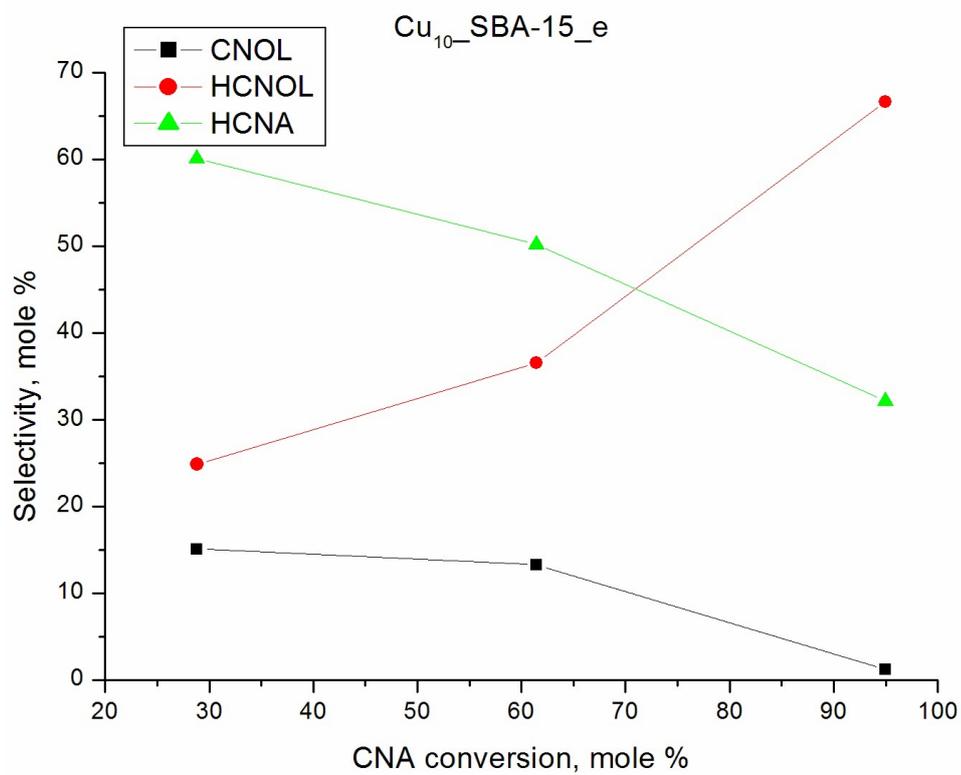
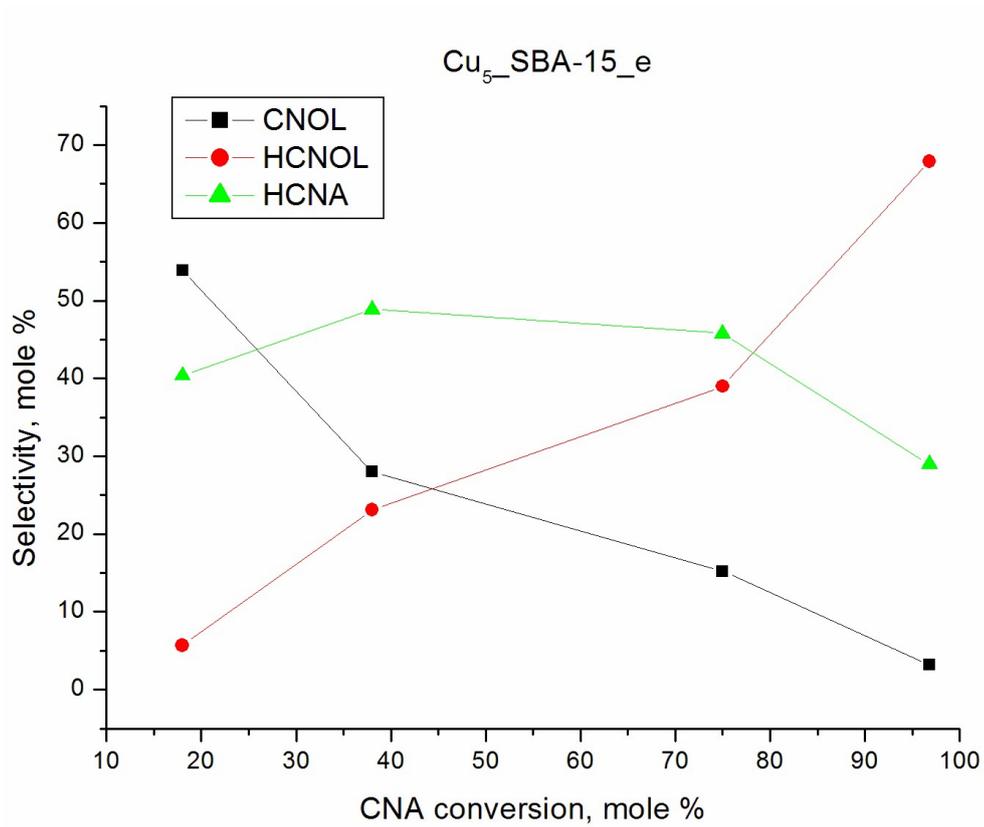
**Figure S2.** FTIR spectra of as-made SBA-15\_am, partially extracted SBA-15\_e and calcined SBA-15\_c support materials



**Figure S3.** Low-magnification TEM image of Cu<sub>5</sub>-SBA-15-c sample.



**Figure S4.** High-magnification TEM image of Cu<sub>5</sub>\_SBA-15\_e sample after exposure to strong electron beam for different times: 1 min (A), 3 min (B) and 5 min (C)



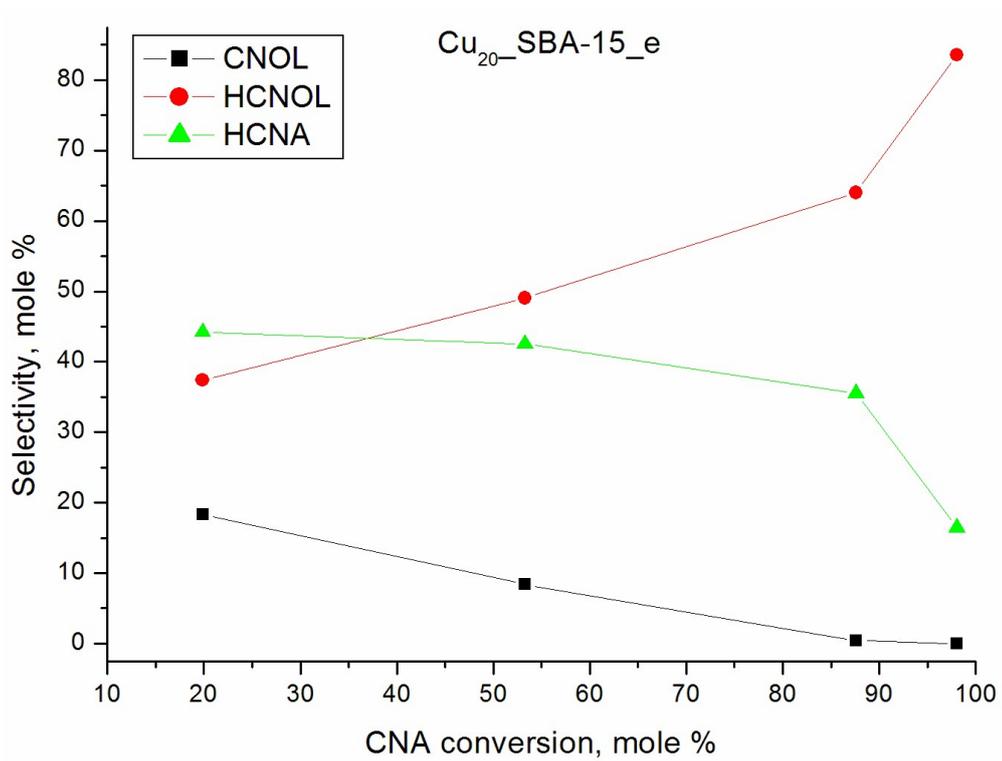


Figure S5. Selectivity of  $\text{Cu}_x\text{-SBA-15}_e$  catalysts