

The importance of direct reduction in the synthesis of highly active Pt-Sn/SBA-
15 for *n*-butane dehydrogenation

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Catalyst ^[a]	Molar ratio of Pt:Sn	Pt loading amount (wt%)	BET surface area ^[b] (m ² ·g ⁻¹)	Pore volume ^[c] (cm ³ ·g ⁻¹)
3Pt1Sn/SBA-15	3:1	3	549.4	0.65
2Pt1Sn/SBA-15	2:1	3	553.1	0.65
1Pt1Sn/SBA-15	1:1	3	535.5	0.64
1Pt1Sn/SiO ₂	1:1	3	331.5	0.87

a: The catalysts were prepared with DR method.

b: The surface area of SBA-15 and SiO₂ is 849.1 m²·g⁻¹, 325.0 m²·g⁻¹ respectively.

c: The pore volume of SBA-15 is 0.95 cm³·g⁻¹.

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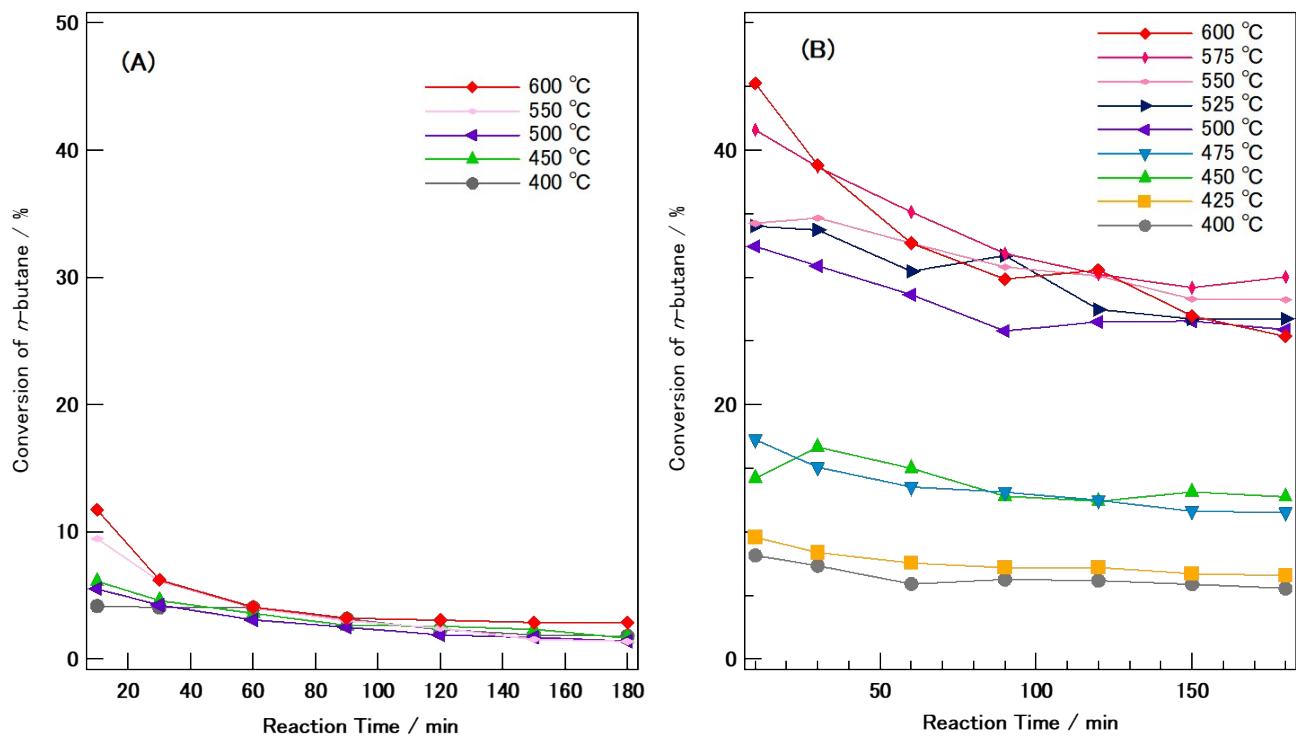


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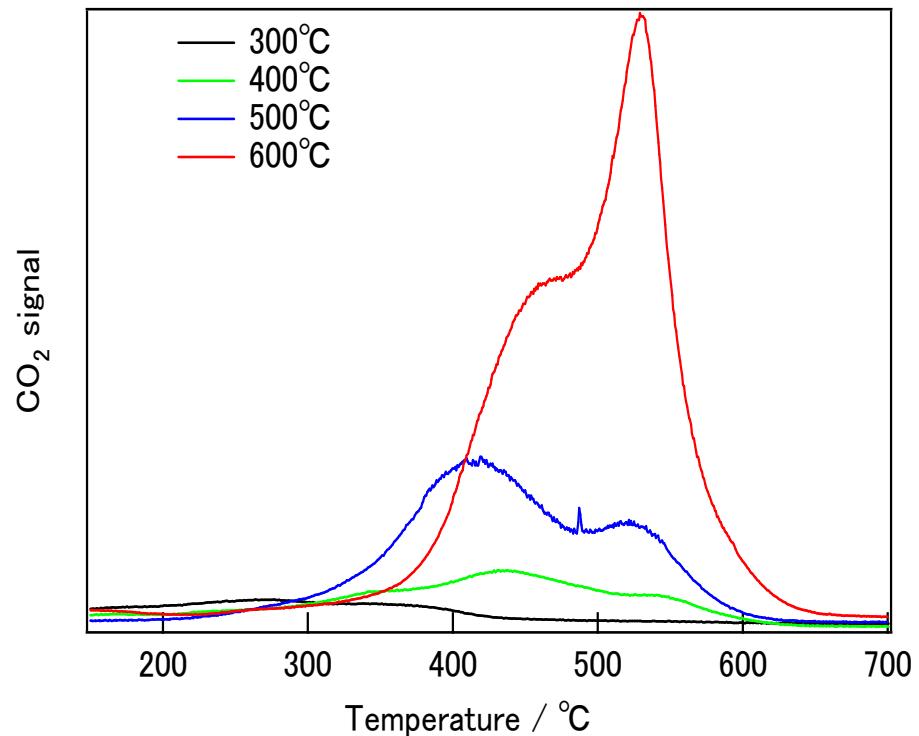
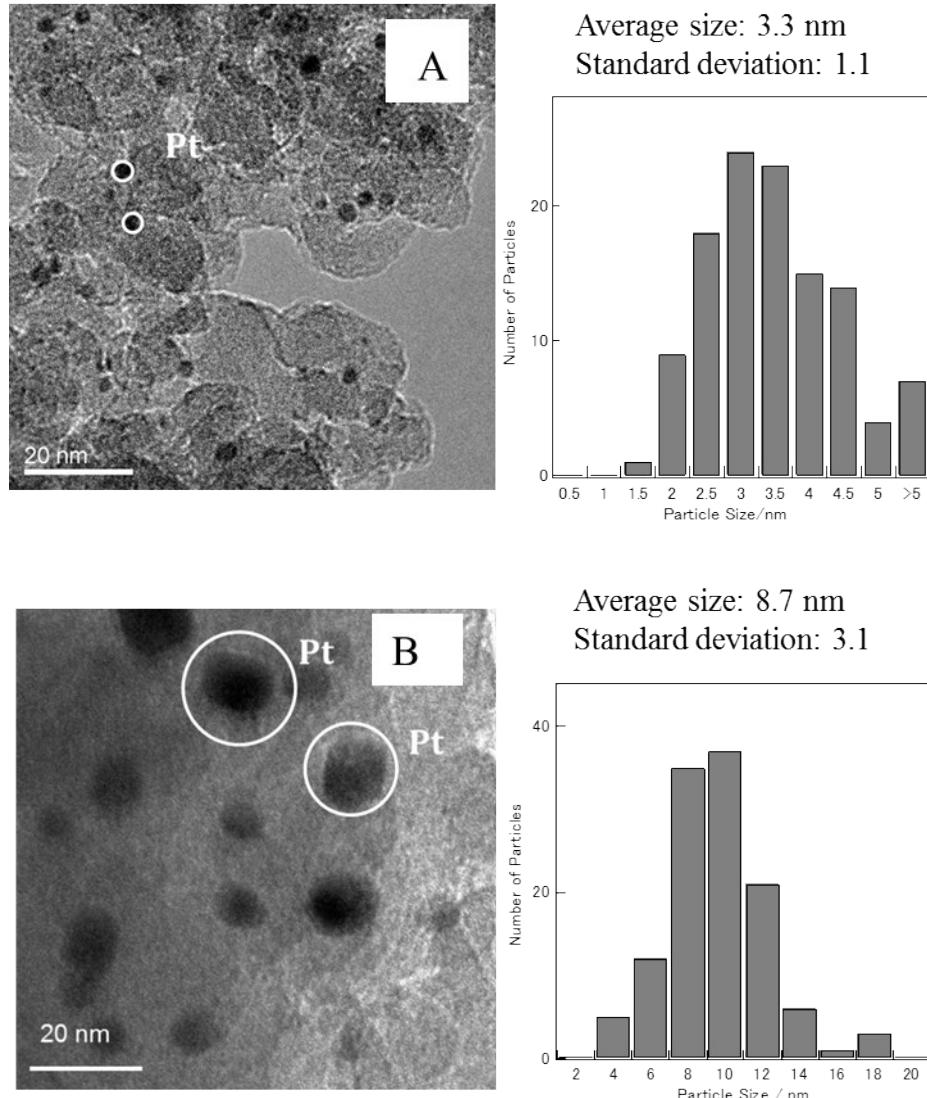
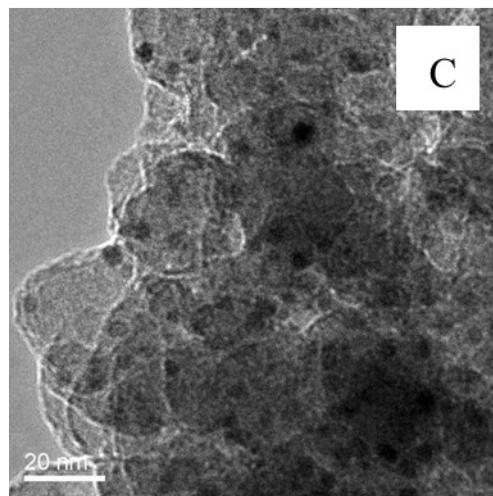
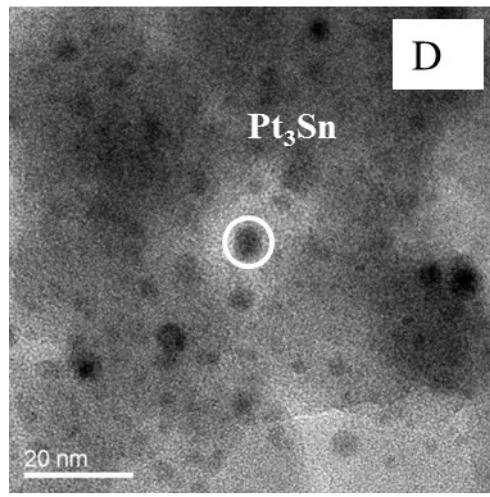
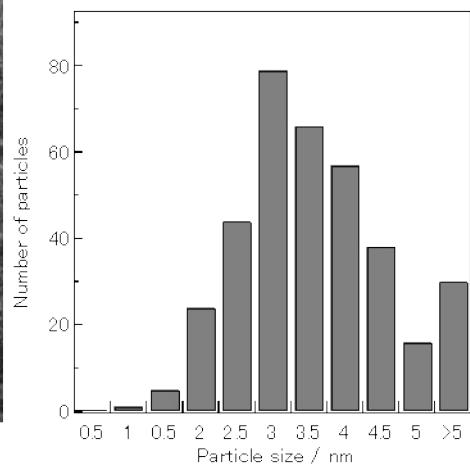


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Standard deviation: 1.1



Average size: 2.6 nm
Standard deviation: 1.4

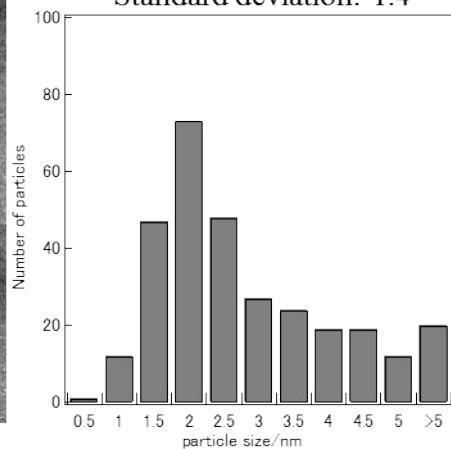


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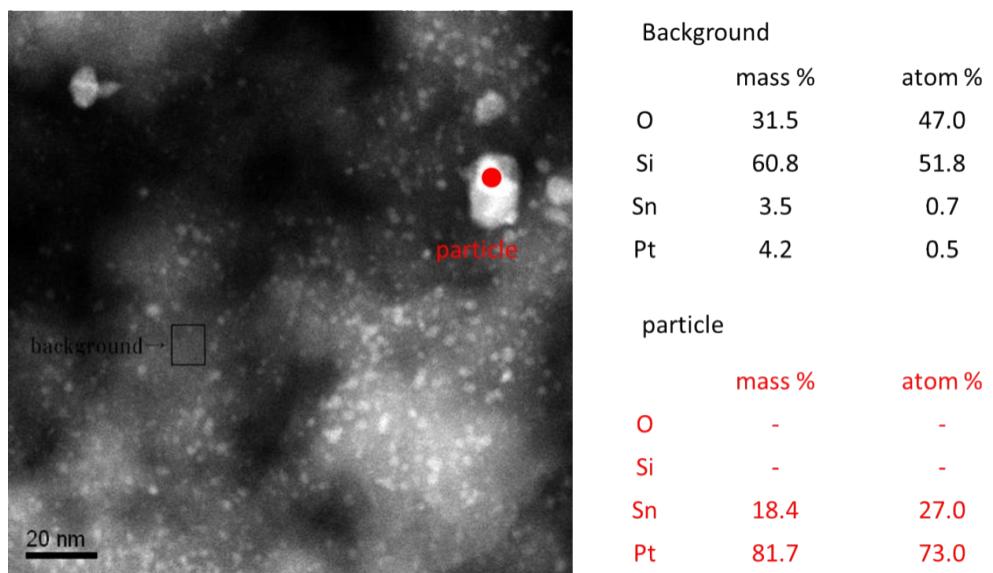


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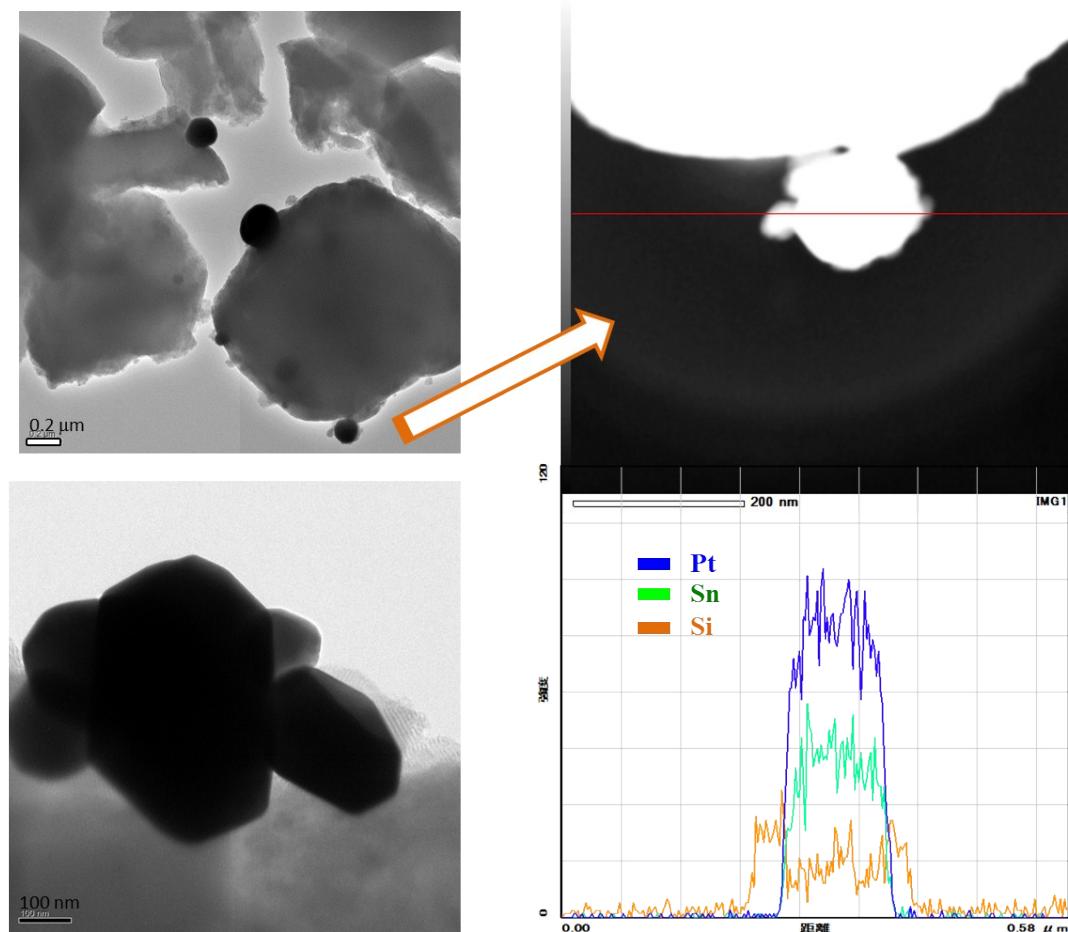


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