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## **Electronic supplementary information**

for

High pH promoting the synthesis of V-Silicalite-1 with high vanadium content in the framework and their catalytic performances on selective oxidation of styrene

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 Table S1

 Experiments of samples with different vanadium content in the system of fixing the amount of NaOH

V/Si (n/n)	m (VOSO <sub>4</sub> /g)	m (NaOH/g)	рН	Silicalite-1
0	0	0.06	9	No
0.02	0.10		8-9	No
0.10	0.49		7	No
0.20	0.98		6	No
0	0	0.24	12	Yes
0.02	0.10		11-12	Yes
0.10	0.49		10	No
0.20	0.98		9	No
0	0	0.79	14	Yes
0.02	0.10		14	Yes
0.10	0.49		14	Yes
0.20	0.98		14	Yes

_	V/Si (n/n)	m (VOSO <sub>4</sub> /g)	m (NaOH/g)	pН	Silicalite-1
_	0.2	0.98 g	0.41	11	No
	0.2	0.98 g	0.52	12	Yes
	0.2	0.98 g	0.62	13	Yes
	0.2	0.98 g	0.79	14	Yes

## Fig. S1

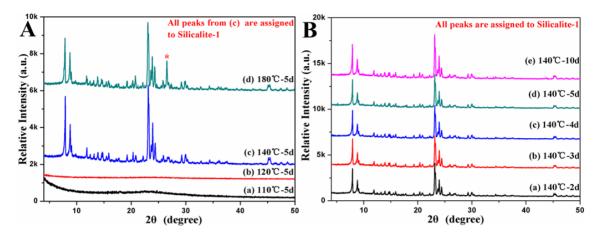


Fig. S1. XRD patterns of different temperatures and time.

Fig. S2

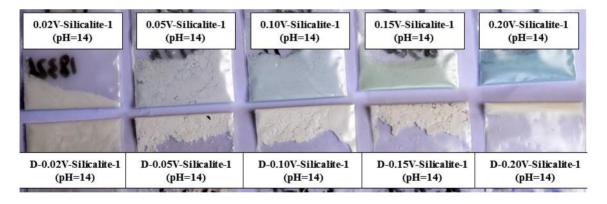


Fig. S2. Colors of the different vanadium content Silicalite-1 (before and after calcination) in conditions of pH=14

Fig. S3

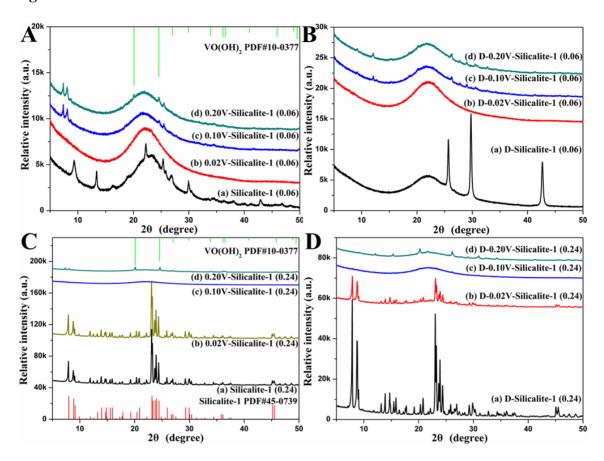


Fig. S3. XRD patterns of different amount of NaOH for the Silicalite-1 and V-Silicalite-1.

## Fig. S4

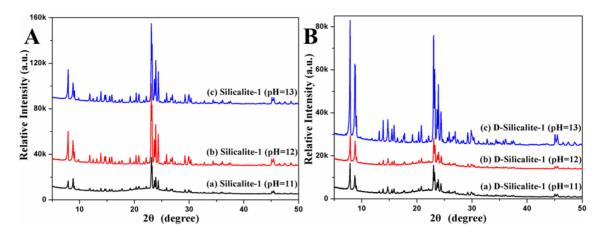


Fig. S4. XRD patterns of Silicalite-1 under different pH conditions.

Fig. S5



Fig. S5. Colors of the samples (before and after calcination) with different vanadium content in the system of 0.24 g NaOH.

Fig. S6

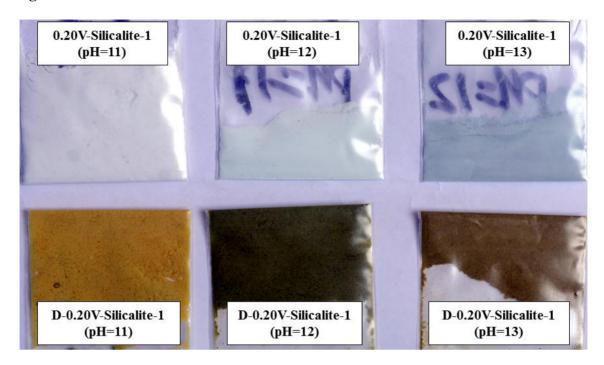
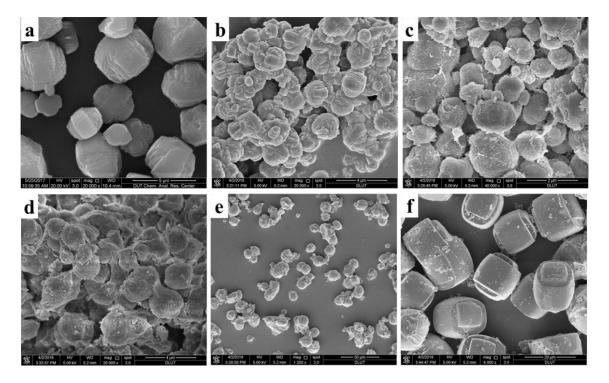


Fig. S6. Colors of the 0.20V-Silicalite-1 (before and after calcination) in different pH value conditions

Fig. S7



**Fig. S7.** FE-SEM images of D-Silicalite-1 (a) and D-V-Silicalite-1 (b-f) of different vanadium content.

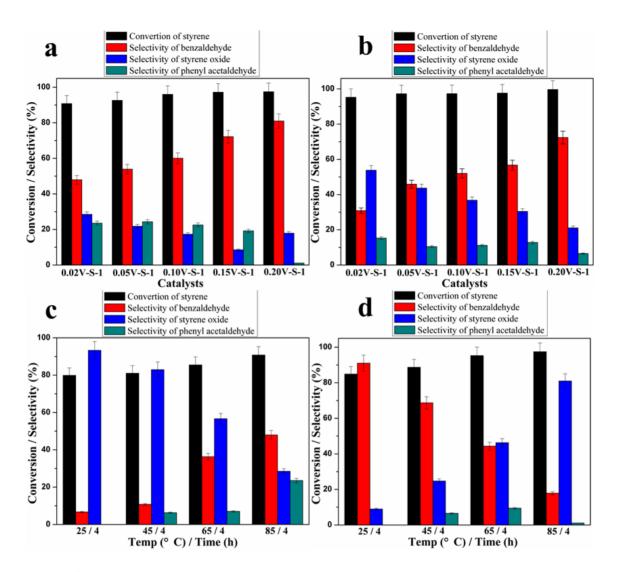


Fig. S8. The catalytic effects and the uncertainty of the conversions and selectivities
(a) different catalysts at 85 ℃ for 4 h (b) different catalysts at 85 ℃ for 12 h
(c) D-0.02V-Silicalite-1 at different temperatures for 4 h (d) D-20V-Silicalite-1 at different temperatures for 4 h.