

1 Bimetallic Au–Ni/CSs catalysts for acetylene hydrochlorination

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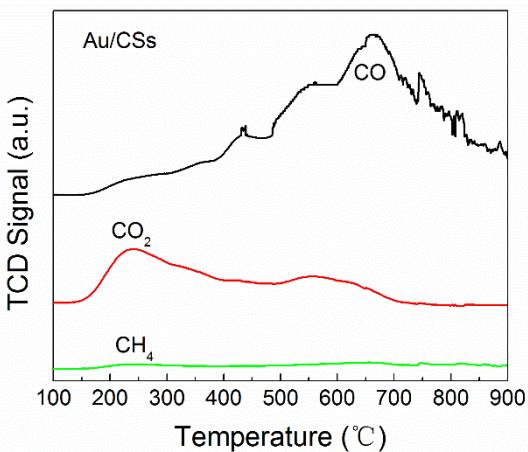
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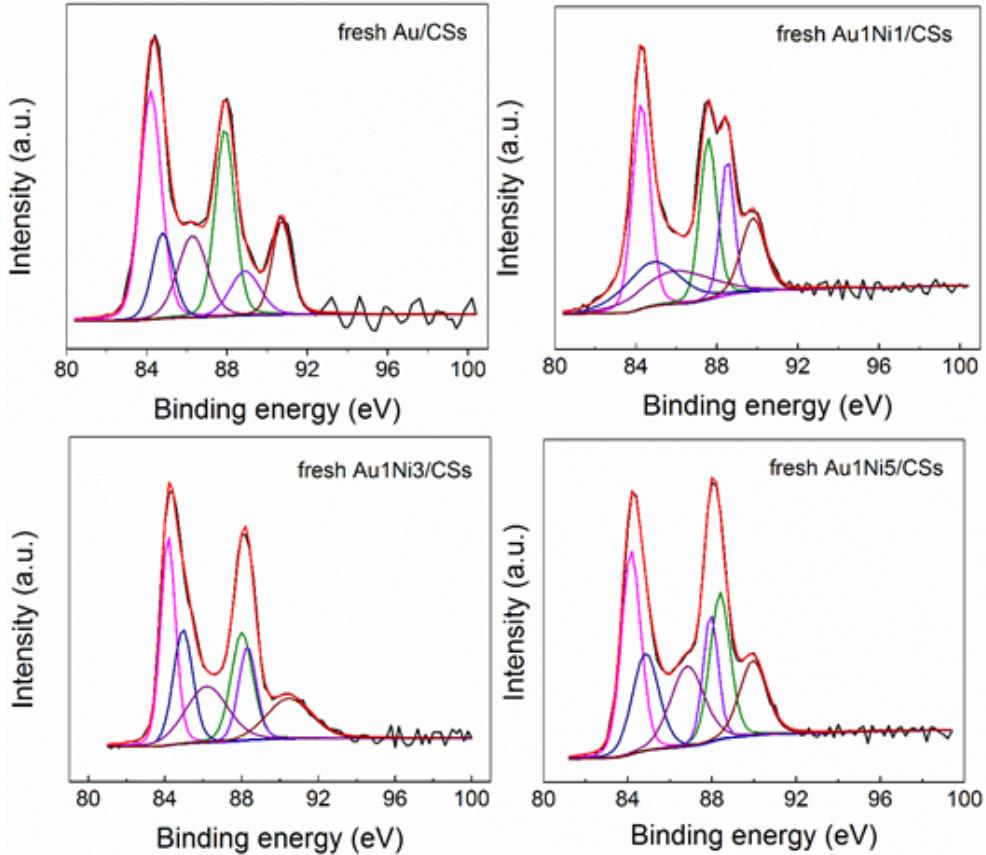
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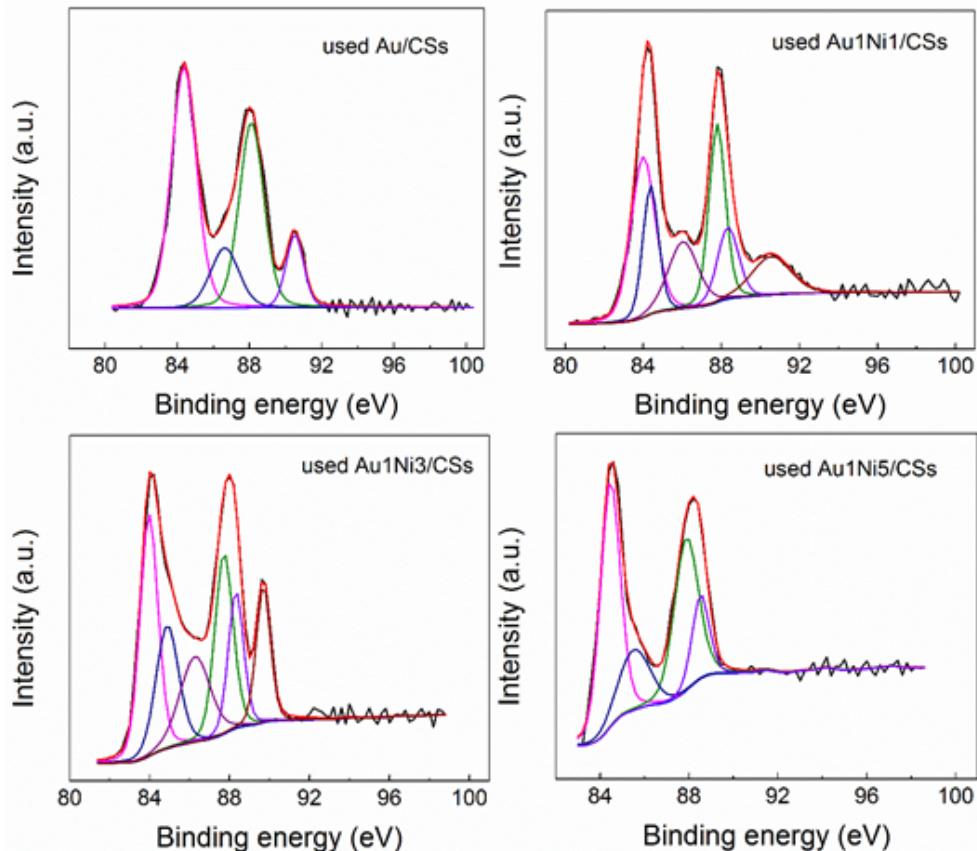
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62 **Table. S1.** The reduction temperature center of Au species.

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| Catalysts        | Reduction temperature center (°C) |                 |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
|                  | Au <sup>3+</sup>                  | Au <sup>+</sup> |
| Fresh Au/CSs     | 310                               | /               |
| Fresh Au1Ni1/CSs | 318                               | 346             |
| Fresh Au1Ni3/CSs | 333                               | 377             |
| Fresh Au1Ni5/CSs | 315                               | 386             |

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97 **Table. S2.** Size of Au particles in Au-based catalysts, determined by XRD<sup>a</sup>.

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| Catalyst samples | Crystallite sizes of Au(111) (nm) |      |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|------|
|                  | fresh                             | used |
| Au/CSs           | <4 <sup>b</sup>                   | 23±2 |
| Au1Ni1/CSs       | <4 <sup>b</sup>                   | 12±2 |
| Au1Ni3/CSs       | <4 <sup>b</sup>                   | 8±2  |
| Au1Ni5/CSs       | <4 <sup>b</sup>                   | 21±2 |

<sup>a</sup> Error estimated from XRD peak broadening of 0.06° at the Au (111) reflection at 38.36° (2θ).

<sup>b</sup> It was not possible to assign any error band below 4 nm, as this size is below the XRD method

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118 **Table.S3.** The relative content and binding energy of Ni species in fresh catalysts.

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| Sample          | Ni%, Binding Energy (eV) |                 |                 |                       |                                    |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
|                 | Ni <sup>0</sup> (%)      | NiO (%)         | sat NiO (%)     | NiCl <sub>2</sub> (%) | Ni <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (%) |
| FreshAu1Ni1/CSs | 7.58 (853.0eV)           | 25.55 (854.6eV) | /               | 39.05 (856.0eV)       | 27.82 (857.1eV)                    |
| FreshAu1Ni3/CSs | 20.92 (853.2eV)          | 29.04 (854.6eV) | 31.98 (855.5eV) | 18.06 (856.2eV)       | /                                  |
| FreshAu1Ni5/CSs | /                        | /               |                 | 69.17 (856.1eV)       | 30.83 (857.1eV)                    |

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