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Supplementary Information

Efficient Syngas Conversion into Light Aromatics over Ceria-Zirconia and Cu-

ZSM-5 Bifunctional Catalyst

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Fig. S1. TEM images of CZS (Ce_{0.2}Zr_{0.8}O_x).



Fig. S2. XRD pattern of CZS (Ce_{0.2}Zr_{0.8}O_x).

Table S1. Textural properties of ceria-zirconia solid solutions.

Sample	$S_{\rm BET}{}^a$	$V_{\rm pore}^{a}$	$d_{\rm pore}^{a}$	Crystal parameters ^b (nm)		ım)
	(m^2/g)	(cm^3/g)	(nm)	а	b	c
Ce _{0.2} Zr _{0.8} O ₂	79.2	0.37	18.8	0.3634	-	0.5238

^{*a*} The BET surface area, pore volume and average pore size were determined by N₂ physisorption. ^{*b*} Lattice parameters were obtained from XRD studies.



Fig. S3. The effect of metal on ZSM-5 catalyst on the aromatics distributions. Reaction conditions: catalyst = CZS + Zeolite (weight ratio = 1), 450 °C, TOS=20 h, 3.6 MPa, $GHSV = 600 \text{ ml}_{syngas} / g_{cat} \cdot h.$



Fig. S4. TEM images of ZSM-5 (Si/Al = 120).



Fig. S5. The micropore size distributions of ZSM-5 samples calculated with N_2 -DFT

model



Fig. S6. Cu LMM X-ray excited Auger electron spectra of the reduced Cu-ZSM-5 catalysts with different copper contents. Cu⁺ content was calculated based on peak area ($X_{cu^+} = Cu^+ / (Cu^+ + Cu^0)$).

Sampla	Cu loading	H ₂ consumption	II /Co	
Sample	(µmol/g)	(µmol/g)	H ₂ /Cu	
0.1%Cu-ZSM-5	15.7	4.36	0.28	
0.5%Cu-ZSM-5	78.5	35.81	0.46	
1.0%Cu-ZSM-5	157.5	68.47	0.43	
2.0%Cu-ZSM-5	314.9	148.04	0.47	

Table S2. H_2/Cu consumption ratios derived from TPR spectra.

Table S3	. The acidity	y of ZSM-5 a	nd Cu-ZMS-5	analyzed b	y ³¹ P MAS NMR.
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Sampla	Acidity / (µmol/g)				
Sample	Brønsted acid	Lewis acid			
ZSM-5	105	-			
0.5%Cu-ZSM-5	64	91			
0.5%Cu-ZSM-5-re	81	57			

~ 1	СО	CO ₂	Selectivity in Hydrocarbons / %					
Samples	conv . / %	select. / %	CH ₄	C ₂₋₄ ,=	C ₂₋₄ ,º	C ₅₊	Ar	Others
$SiO_2 + 0.5\%$ Cu- Z5 ^b	0.5	50.3	25.7	5.5	65.0	2.6	/	/
$CZS + SiO_2^b$	12.8	36.2	9.6	47.2	25.4	17.6	/	0.2

Table S4. The catalytic performance of control catalysts.^a

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: catalyst = oxide + zeolite (weight ratio = 1), 450 °C, 3.6 MPa, TOS = 10 h, GHSV = 600 ml_{syngas} / g_{cat}. h. ^{*b*} SiO₂ (quartz sand) used as a control. $(C_{2-4}^{=}, C_{2-4}^{\circ}, C_{5+}, \text{ and Ar denote } C_2\text{-}C_4 \text{ olefins, } C_2\text{-}C_4 \text{ paraffins, } C_{5+} \text{ hydrocarbons exclusive of aromatics, and aromatics, respectively).}$



Fig. S7. NH₃-TPD profiles of passivated ZSM-5 samples

Sample	$T_1 / {}^{o}C$	Weak acidity	$T_2 / {}^{o}C$	Strong acidity
		$/ (\mu mol \cdot g^{-1})$		/ (μ mol·g ⁻¹)
Z5	157.0	106.2	333.0	144.7
Z5-Si1	155.0	103.5	334.2	125.0
Z5-Si2	155.5	104.3	340.7	114.1
Z5-Si3	150.4	106.5	338.3	108.7

Table S5. The surface acidity of ZSM-5 samples derived from NH₃-TPD.

coke@CZS coke@CZS coke@CZS d а coke@ZSM-5 coke@ZSM-5 coke@ZSM-5 b e h \mathbf{f} С Fresh Fresh i Used Fresh Used Used

Powder-mixing Granule-mixing Dual-bed

Fig. S8. The TEM images of coke on catalysts with different proximity. a-c) podermixing, d-f) granule-mixing and g-i) dual-bed. Reaction conditions: catalyst = CZS + ZSM-5 (weight ratio = 1), 450 °C, 3.6 MPa, TOS = 20 h, GHSV = 600 ml_{syngas} / g_{cat} ·h.



Fig. S9. The TGA curves of the used bifunctional catalyst. Reaction conditions: catalyst = CZS + ZSM-5 (weight ratio = 1), 450 °C, 3.6 MPa, TOS = 20 h, GHSV = 600 ml_{syngas} / $g_{cat.}$ ·h.