

Supplementary Information

**Tungsten-zirconia-supported rhenium catalyst combined with deoxydehydration catalyst for the one-pot synthesis of 1,4-butanediol from 1,4-anhydroerythritol**

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Table S1. Detailed data of Figure 3 (b). (Effect of hydrogen pressure on the reaction of 2,5-DHF over  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  catalyst)

Entry	H <sub>2</sub> Pressure /MPa	Reaction time /h	Conv. /%	Selectivity /%									
				1,4-BuD	THF	2,3-DHF	1-BuOH	GBL	Furan	2-HTHF	Acetal A	Acetal B	Others
1	2	0	2	0	26	0	0	0	74	0	0	0	0
2	2	1	10	0	31	0	0	0	69	0	0	0	0
3	2	2	19	16	33	3	2	10	12	0	0	16	2
4	4	0	15	0	44	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0
5	4	1	32	15	32	2	2	8	17	4	0	16	2
6	4	2	44	18	39	2	3	7	9	2	0	17	2
7	8	0	44	15	52	5	4	7	10	0	0	8	0
8	8	0.5	60	29	48	2	4	4	5	0	0	8	0
9	8	1	75	31	45	0	4	6	3	1	0	8	1

Reaction conditions: 2,5-DHF = 0.15 g, water = 0.04 g,  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%,  $\text{WO}_3$  = 10 wt%), 1,4-dioxane = 4 g,  $P_{\text{H}_2}$  = 2 or 4 or 8 MPa,  $T$  = 413 K,  $t$  = 0–2 h.

DHF: dihydrofuran, BuD: butanediol, THF: tetrahydrofuran, BuOH: butanol, GBL:  $\gamma$ -butyrolactone, HTHF:

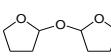
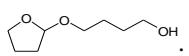
hydroxytetrahydrofuran, Acetal A: ; Acetal B: .

Table S2. Time course of reaction of 1,4-AHERY over  $\text{ReO}_x\text{-Au/CeO}_2 + \text{ReO}_x\text{/WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  (detailed data of Figure 4)

Entry	Reaction time /h	Conv. /%	Selectivity /%								
			1,4-BuD	THF	GBL	1-BuOH	2,5-DHF	2,3-DHF	Acetal B	Acetal C	Others
1	1	45	7	22	0	1	26	1	1	37	4
2	4	90	18	25	1	1	25	2	3	23	3
3	12	100	42	33	2	1	6	1	3	11	1
4	24	100	53	35	1	2	3	0	1	6	0
5	32	100	55	35	0	2	1	0	0	5	1
6	48	100	54	40	0	2	0	0	0	3	0

Reaction conditions: 1,4-AHERY = 0.3 g,  $\text{ReO}_x\text{-Au/CeO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%, Au = 0.3 wt%),  $\text{ReO}_x\text{/WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%,  $\text{WO}_3$  = 10 wt%), 1,4-dioxane = 4 g,  $P_{\text{H}_2}$  = 8 MPa,  $T$  = 413 K,  $t$  = 1-48 h.

AHERY: anhydroerythritol, BuD: butanediol, THF: tetrahydrofuran, DHF: dihydrofuran, BuOH: butanol, GBL:  $\gamma$ -butyrolactone,

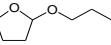
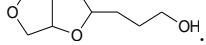
Acetal B: , Acetal C: .

Table S3. Time course of the reaction of 1,4-AHERY over  $\text{ReO}_x\text{-Au/CeO}_2 + \text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  for TOF calculation

Entry	Reaction time /h	Conv. /%	Selectivity (%)								
			1,4-BuD	THF	GBL	1-BuOH	2,5-DHF	2,3-DHF	Acetal B	Acetal C	Others
1	0	8	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0
2	4	24	4	8	0	1	75	0	1	8	3

Reaction conditions: 1,4-AHERY = 0.5 g,  $\text{ReO}_x\text{-Au/CeO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%, Au = 0.3 wt%),  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%,  $\text{WO}_3$  = 10 wt%), 1,4-dioxane = 4 g,  $P_{\text{H}_2}$  = 8 MPa,  $T$  = 413 K,  $t$  = 0 or 4 h.

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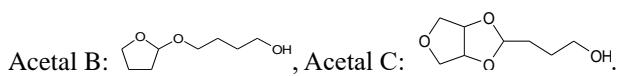


Table S4. Average valence of Re determined from white line intensity for each sample

Sample	Valence of Re	White line intensity
Re powder	0	15.70
ReO <sub>2</sub>	4	19.41
ReO <sub>3</sub>	6	21.55
Re <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	7	22.08
ReO <sub>x</sub> /WO <sub>3</sub> -ZrO <sub>2</sub> after reaction	3.1	18.50

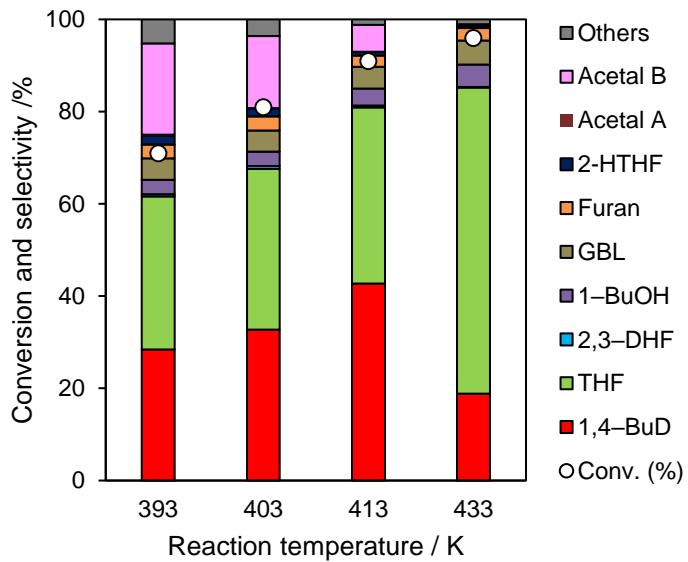


Figure S1. Effect of reaction temperature in the reaction of 2,5-DHF over  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$

Reaction conditions: 2,5-DHF = 0.15 g, water = 0.04 g,  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%,  $\text{WO}_3$  = 10 wt%), 1,4-dioxane = 4 g,  $P_{\text{H}_2}$  = 8 MPa,  $T$  = 393 ~ 433 K,  $t$  = 4 h. DHF: dihydrofuran, BuD: butanediol, THF: tetrahydrofuran, BuOH: butanol, GBL:  $\gamma$ -butyrolactone, HTHF: hydroxytetrahydrofuran, Acetal A: ; Acetal B: .

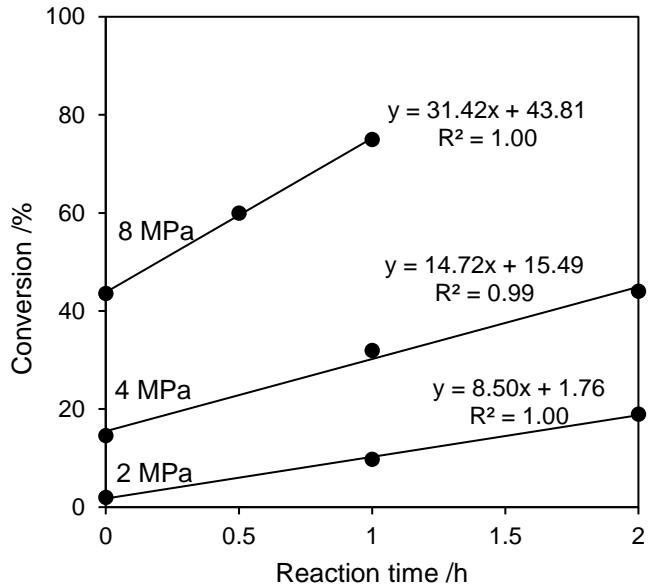


Figure S2. Detailed data of Figure 3 (b) (Effect of hydrogen pressure on the reaction of 2,5-DHF over  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  catalyst)

Reaction conditions: 2,5-DHF = 0.15 g, water = 0.04 g,  $\text{ReO}_x/\text{WO}_3\text{-ZrO}_2$  = 0.15 g (Re = 1 wt%,  $\text{WO}_3$  = 10 wt%), 1,4-dioxane = 4 g,  $P_{\text{H}_2}$  = 2, 4 or 8 MPa,  $T$  = 413 K,  $t$  = 0–2 h.

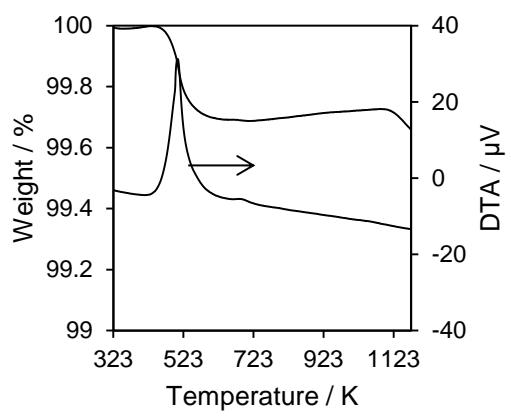


Figure S3. TG-DTA profile of the 1:1 mixture of  $\text{ReO}_x$ -Au/CeO<sub>2</sub> (Re = 1 wt%, Au = 0.3 wt%) and  $\text{ReO}_x$ /WO<sub>3</sub>-ZrO<sub>2</sub> (Re = 1 wt%, WO<sub>3</sub> = 10 wt%) (after 1st use). Heating rate = 10 K/min, sample weight = 10 mg, under air.

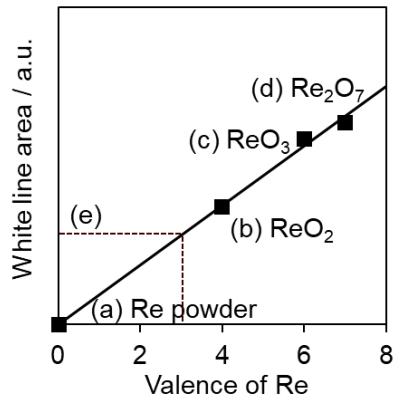


Figure S4. White line area of Re L<sub>3</sub>-edge XANES vs. valence of Re plot in reference samples

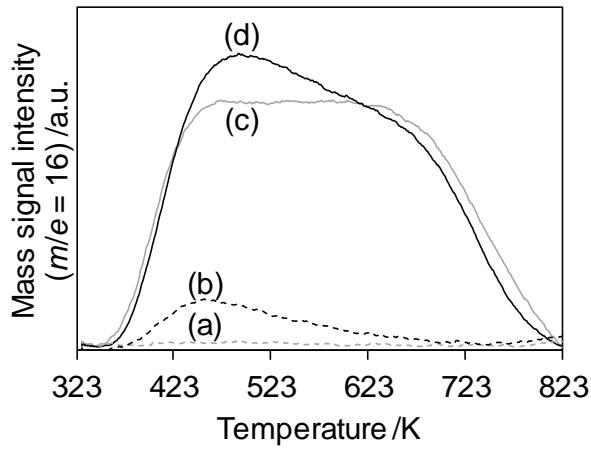


Figure S5. NH<sub>3</sub>-TPD profiles of (a) C, (b) ReO<sub>x</sub>/C (Re = 3 wt%), (c) WO<sub>3</sub>-ZrO<sub>2</sub>, (d) ReO<sub>x</sub>/WO<sub>3</sub>-ZrO<sub>2</sub> (Re = 1 wt%, WO<sub>3</sub> = 10 wt%). Samples were pretreated at 773 K under He, and adsorption of NH<sub>3</sub> was conducted at 323 K. The peak area corresponded to NH<sub>3</sub> desorption amount of (a) 0.004 mmol g<sup>-1</sup>, (b) 0.028 mmol g<sup>-1</sup>, (c) 0.22 mmol g<sup>-1</sup> and (d) 0.22 mmol g<sup>-1</sup>, while the Re and W amount in ReO<sub>x</sub>/WO<sub>3</sub>-ZrO<sub>2</sub> was 0.054 and 0.43 mmol g<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.