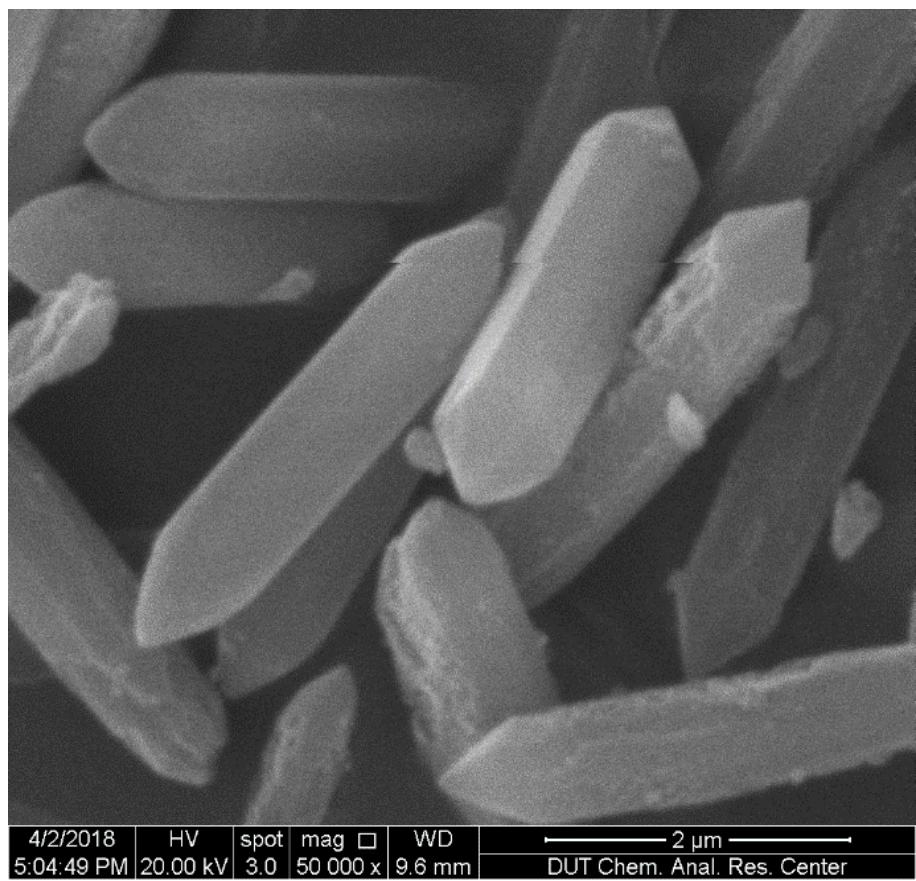


Supporting Information

Phase Transformation of Iron oxide to Carbide and Fe₃C being Active Centers for RWGS Reaction

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Figure S1 SEM image of as-prepared spindle-like Mil-88A.

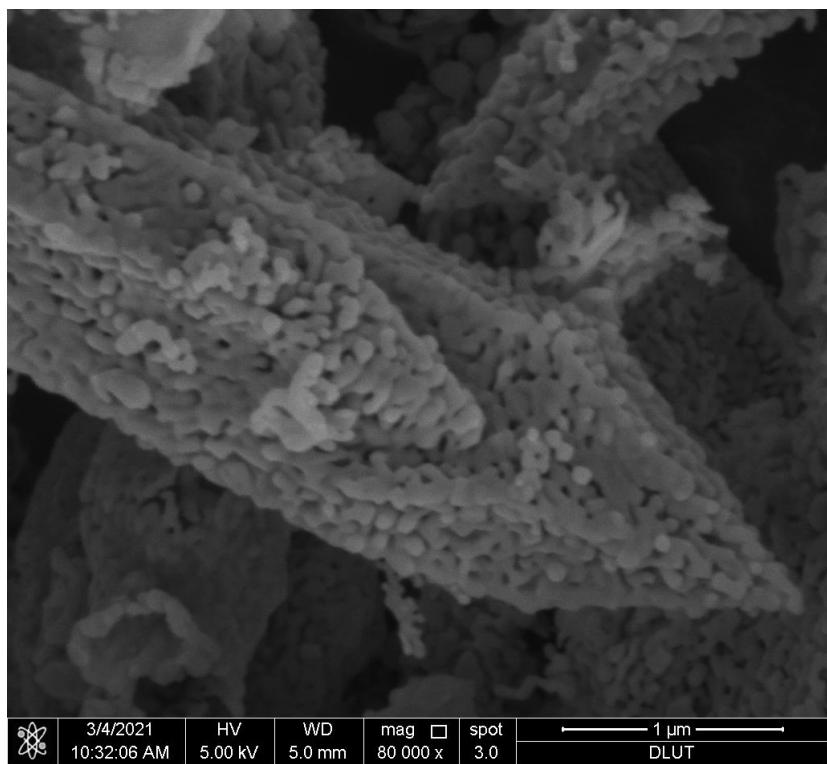
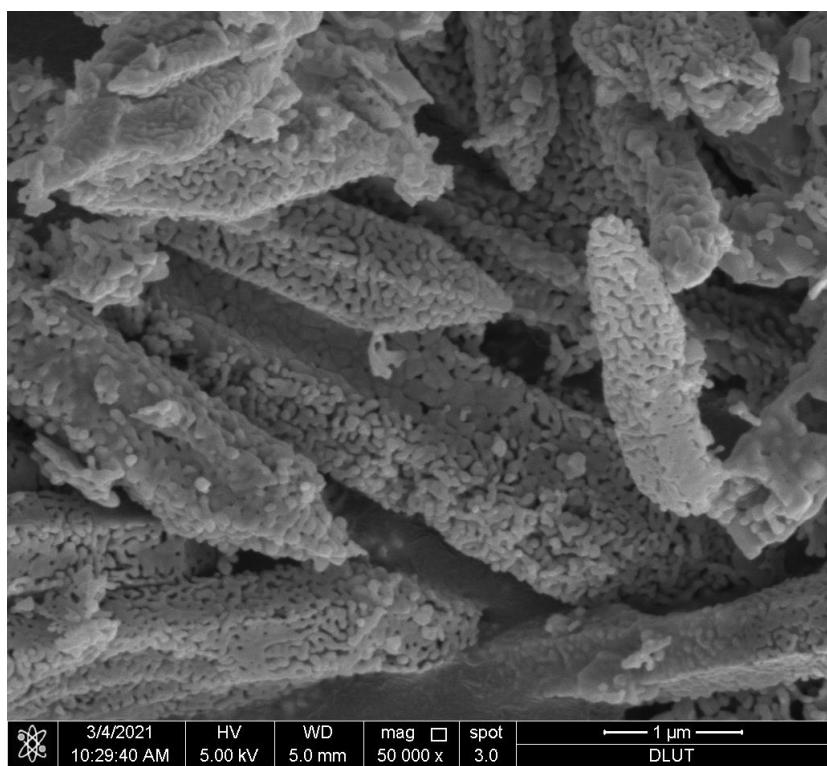


Figure S2 SEM images of Mil-88A derived spindle-like α -Fe₂O₃.

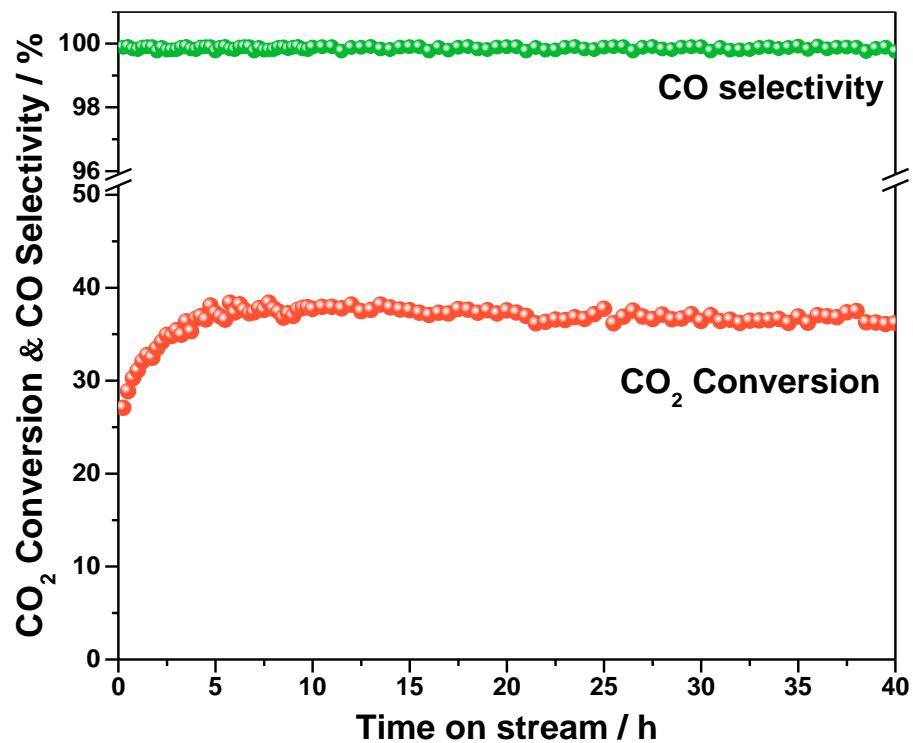


Figure S3 CO₂ conversion and CO selectivity of as-prepared spindle-like iron oxide in RWGS. Reaction conditions: 600 °C, ambient pressure, CO₂/H₂ (v/v)=1/2, WHSV=300,000 mL/g/h.

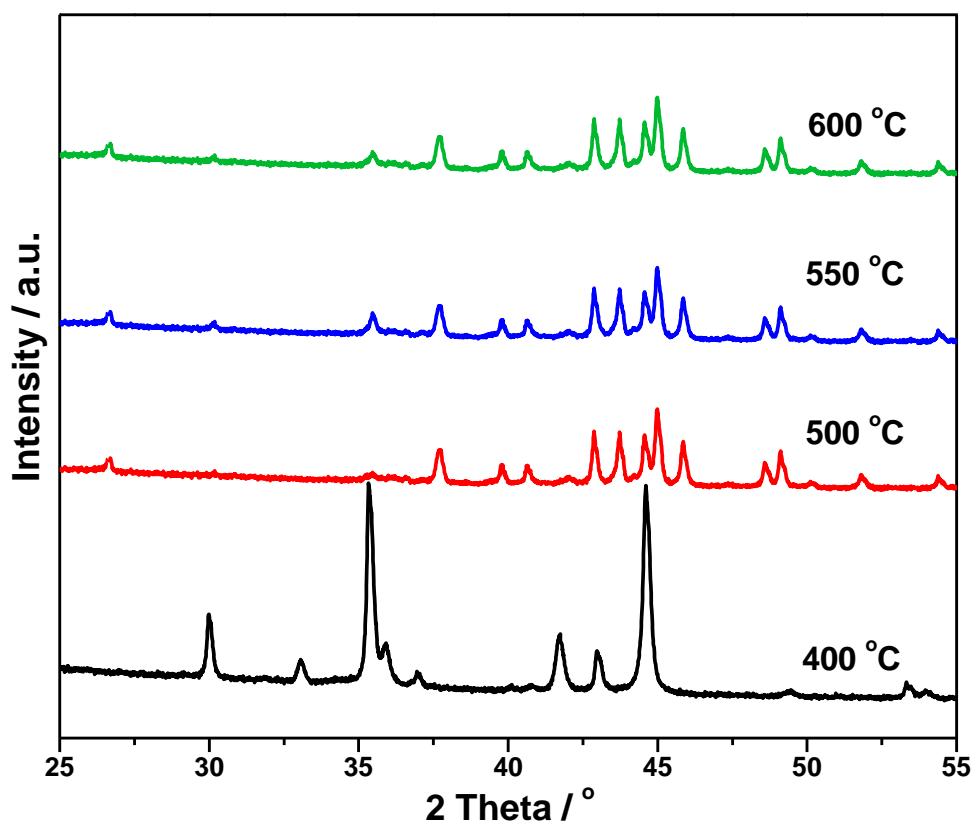


Figure S4 XRD patterns of the spent samples after 15h at 400 °C, 500 °C, 550 °C and 600 °C.

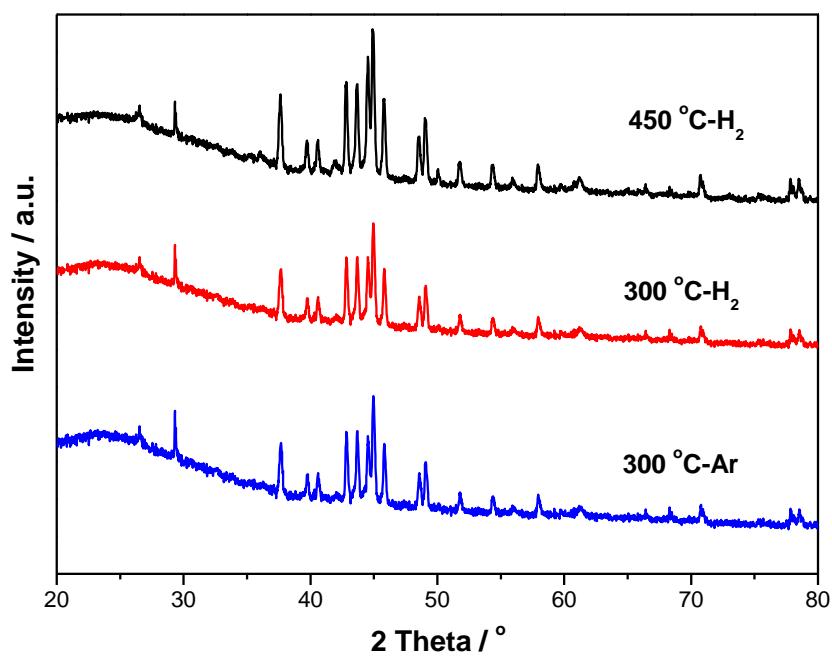


Figure S5 XRD patterns of the spent samples after 15h at 600 °C after different pretreatments. Reaction conditions: 0.1 MPa, CO₂/H₂ (v/v)=1/2, WHSV=300,000 mL/g.h.

Table S1 Comparison of catalytic performance for the in-situ formed Fe₃C and Literature Reported Catalysts

Catalyst	Reaction temp. (°C)	Space velocity (mL/g/h)	CO ₂ Conv. (%)	CO Sel. (%)	Producing CO rate (mmol/g/h)	Ref.
In-situ formed Fe ₃ C	600	300,000	38	ca. 100	1695	Our work
	550	300,000	33	ca. 100	1471	
	500	300,000	28	ca. 100	1249	
Mo ₂ C@N-C	600	24,000	58	98	152	1
Fe-Ce-Al	600	30,000	55	99	146	2
NiCu-Saponite	500	15,000	53	89	63	3
MnO	850	200,000	50	100	893	4
Mo ₂ C	550	12,000	60	100	64	5
Cs-Mo ₂ C	550	12,000	66	100	70	
Fe oxide	600	6,000	35	100	47	6
CsFe/Al ₂ O ₃	600	12,000	63	98	66	7
BaZrYZn	600	2,400	37.5	97	19	8
Co-CeO ₂	600	600,000	35	98.5	4617	9
Ru/CeO ₂	600	120,000	38	ca. 100	1017	10
β-Mo ₂ C	600	300,000	42.5	99	1878	11

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