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## Supplementary materials for

## Hierarchical Au/CeO<sub>2</sub> systems – influence of Ln<sup>3+</sup> dopants on the catalytic activity in the propane oxidation process.

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Fig.S1 TEM images of hierarchical tube-like (A)  $CeO_2$ , (B)  $Ce_{0.9}La_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (C)  $Ce_{0.9}La_{0.05}Yb_{0.05}O_{1.95}$ , (D)  $Ce_{0.9}Gd_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (E)  $Ce_{0.9}Yb_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (F) model of the hierarchical tube-like macroparticle.



Fig.S2 SEM images of hierarchical tube-like  $CeO_2$  and  $Ce_{0.9}Gd_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ 



Fig.S3 XRD patterns of (A)  $CeO_2$ , (B)  $Ce_{0.9}La_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (C)  $Ce_{0.9}La_{0.05}Yb_{0.05}O_{1.95}$ , (D)  $Ce_{0.9}Gd_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (E)  $Ce_{0.9}Yb_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ .



Fig.S4 Nitrogen adsorption–desorption isotherm of investigated hierarchical supports and a linear relationship between the mean lanthanide ion radius and the  $S_{BET}$  surface area for our sample series.



Fig.S5 (A) TEM-BF and (B) TEM-DF images of hierarchical tube-like  $CeO_2$  and (C) SAED pattern with position of the aperture (between the rings  $CeO_2200$  and  $CeO_2220$ ).



Fig.S6 Line profile of SEM-EDX of hierarchical tube-like (A)  $Au/CeO_2$ , (B)  $Au/Ce_{0.9}La_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (C)  $Au/Ce_{0.9}La_{0.05}Yb_{0.05}O_{1.95}$ , (D)  $Au/Ce_{0.9}Gd_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (E)  $Au/Ce_{0.9}Yb_{0.1}O_{1.95}$ , (F) model of measurement.