

Fig. S1 XRD pattern of MoO₃ sample.

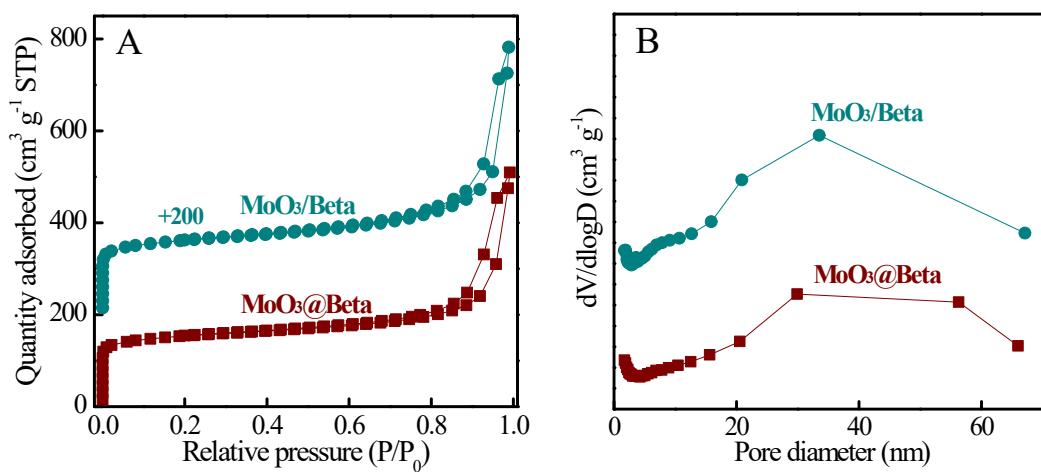


Fig. S2 (A) N₂ adsorption–desorption isotherms and (B) pore diameter distribution of MoO₃@Beta and MoO₃/Beta samples.

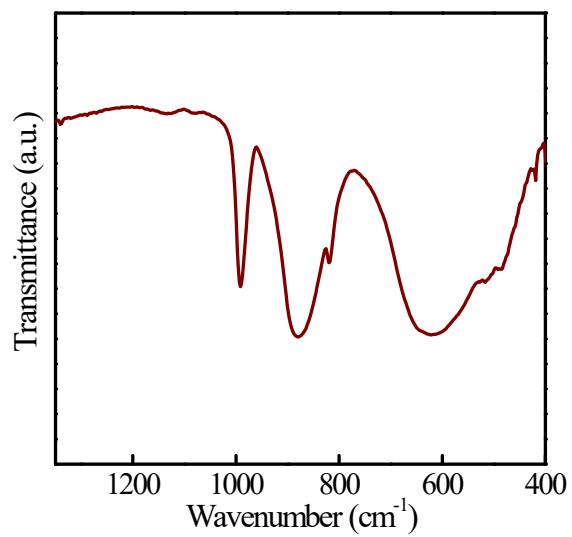


Fig. S3 FT-IR spectrum of MoO_3 sample.

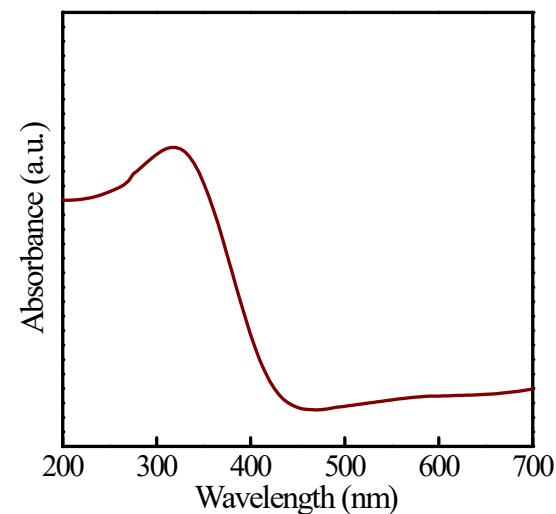


Fig. S4 UV-Vis spectrum of MoO_3 sample.

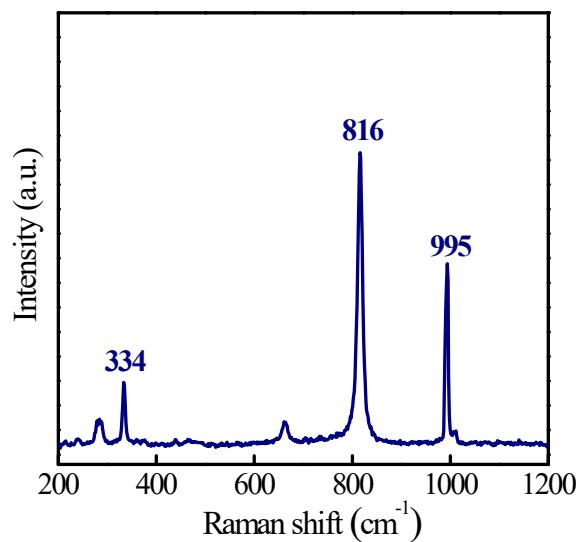


Fig. S5 UV Raman spectrum of MoO_3 sample.

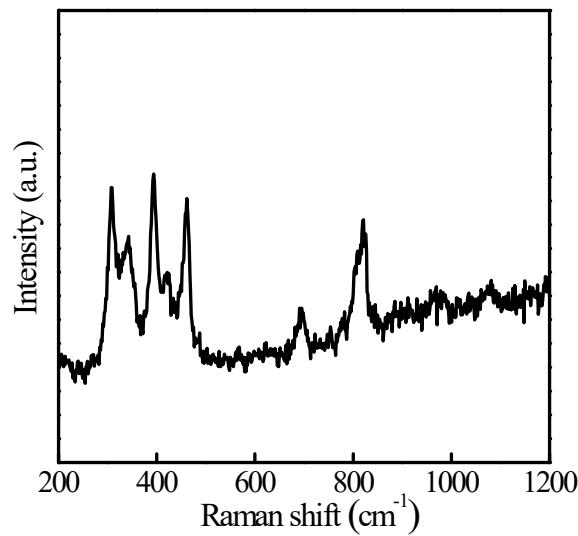


Fig. S6 UV Raman spectrum of Beta sample.

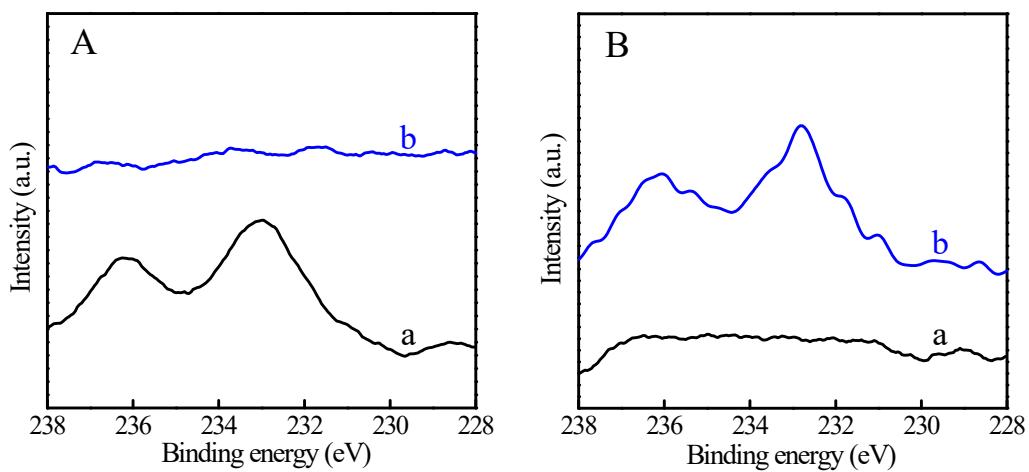


Fig. S7 Mo 3d XPS spectra with the etching depth of 0 nm (a) and 30 nm (b) over (A) MoO₃/Beta and (B) MoO₃@Beta samples.

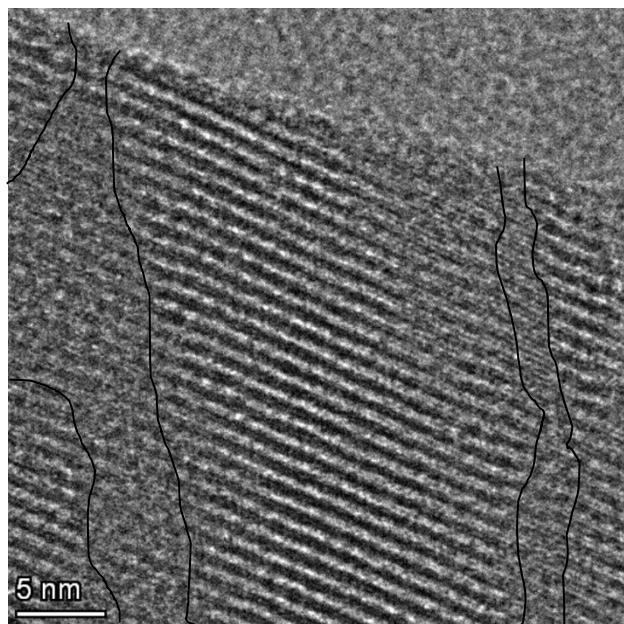
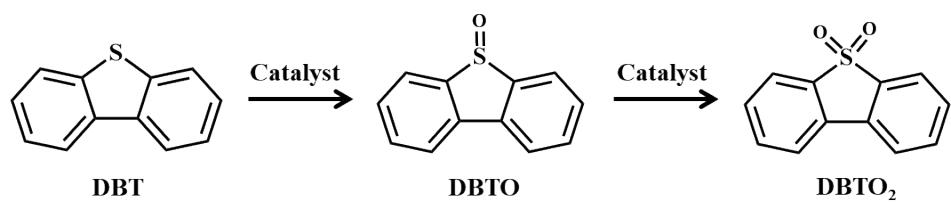


Fig. S8 High resolution TEM image of MoO_3 @Beta sample. The yellow dash line indicated the presence of intracrystalline mesopores within zeolite crystal.



Scheme S1 Reaction pathways of DBT oxidation.

Table S1 Catalytic activity of various catalysts for oxidative desulfurization of DBT with molecular O₂.^a

No.	Catalyst	Mo loading ^b (wt%)	Conversion ^c (%)
1	MoO ₃	-	< 1.0
2	MoO ₃ /Beta	1.00	< 1.0
3	MoO ₃ @Beta	0.95	< 1.0

^a Reaction conditions: catalyst, 0.02 g; model oil (S content, decalin, 500 µg mL⁻¹), 20 mL; O₂ pressure, 1 atm.; flow rate of O₂, 60 mL min⁻¹; temperature, 90 °C; time, 3 h.

^b Calculated by ICP.

^c Conversion = moles of DBT converted/initial moles of DBT × 100%.

Table S2 Comparison of TOF values over heterogeneous catalysts with the oxidant of O₂ or air.

Catalyst	Sulfide	Oxidant	Reaction conditions	Conversion (%)	TOF (h ⁻¹)	Ref.
Mo@Beta	DBT	O ₂	90 °C, 1 mg/1 mL, 6 h	100	26.3	This work
Mo@Beta	DBT	O ₂	100 °C, 1 mg/1 mL, 5 h	100	31.6	This work
CoMo nanosheet	DBT	air	80 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 5 h	38.0	5.2	1
CoMo nanosheet	DBT	air	90 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 5 h	70.0	9.6	1
CoMo nanosheet	DBT	air	100 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 5 h	100.0	13.6	1
CoMo nanosheet	DBT	air	110 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 2 h	100.0	34.1	1
Co-Mo-O	DBT	air	80 °C, 100 mg/20 mL, 9 h	75.0	0.2	2
Co-Mo-O	DBT	air	100 °C, 100 mg/20 mL, 6 h	82.0	0.4	2
Co-Mo-O	DBT	air	120 °C, 100 mg/20 mL, 3 h	100	0.9	2
Ce-Mo-O	DBT	air	80 °C, 100 mg/20 mL, 8 h	30.0	0.1	3
Ce-Mo-O	DBT	air	90 °C, 100 mg/20 mL, 8 h	50.0	0.1	3
Ce-Mo-O	DBT	air	100 °C, 100 mg/20 mL, 6 h	100	0.4	3
Q ₅ IMo ₆ O ₂₄	DBT	O ₂	80 °C, 10 mg/50 mL, 8 h	100	6.3	4
Q ₅ IMo ₆ O ₂₄	DBT	O ₂	85 °C, 10 mg/50 mL, 7 h	100	7.1	4
Q ₅ IMo ₆ O ₂₄	DBT	O ₂	90 °C, 10 mg/50 mL, 6 h	100	8.3	4
Q ₅ IMo ₆ O ₂₄	DBT	O ₂	100 °C, 10 mg/50 mL, 3 h	100	16.7	4
Q ₃ Co(OH) ₆ Mo ₆ O ₁	DBT	O ₂	80 °C, 11 mg/25 mL, 7 h	100	2.3	5
Pt/h-BN	DBT	air	110 °C, 50 mg/40 mL, 6 h	55.0	8.6	6
Pt/h-BN	DBT	air	120 °C, 50 mg/40 mL, 6 h	62.0	9.7	6
Pt/h-BN	DBT	air	130 °C, 50 mg/40 mL, 6 h	98.0	15.3	6
MoOx/MC-600	DBT	air	110 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 8 h	43.3	0.7	7
MoOx/MC-600	DBT	air	115 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 8 h	83.4	1.3	7
MoOx/MC-600	DBT	air	120 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 4 h	97.1	2.9	7
MIL-101(Cr)	DBT	O ₂	120 °C, 5 mg/10 mL, 4 h	100	19.9	8
V ₂ O ₅ /BNNS	DBT	air	110 °C, 200 mg/50 mL, 4 h	72.4	0.6	9
V ₂ O ₅ /BNNS	DBT	air	120 °C, 200 mg/50 mL, 4 h	100	0.9	9
V ₂ O ₅ /BNNS	DBT	air	130 °C, 200 mg/50 mL, 3.5	100	1.0	9
V ₈ @iPAF	DBT	O ₂	80 °C, 20 mg/6 mL, 5 h	100	1.0	10
3DOM WOx	DBT	air	120 °C, 10 mg/20 mL, 7 h	99.9	0.3	11
Atomic-layered	DBT	air	120 °C, 10 mg/50 mL, 10 h	99.7	1.8	12

(continued)

V ₂ O ₅ BM-3	DBT	air	120 °C, 30 mg/50 mL, 4 h	99.7	0.6	13
[C ₈ H ₁₇ N(CH ₃) ₃] ₃	DBT	O ₂	90 °C, 40 mg/20 mL, 8 h	100	0.3	14
[C ₈ H ₁₇ N(CH ₃) ₃] ₃	DBT	O ₂	100 °C, 40 mg/20 mL, 1.25	100	1.7	14
[C ₈ mim] ₃ H ₃ V ₁₀ O ₂	DBT	air	110 °C, 80 mg/40 mL, 4 h	67.4	1.6	15
[C ₈ mim] ₃ H ₃ V ₁₀ O ₂	DBT	air	120 °C, 80 mg/40 mL, 4 h	99.8	2.4	15
[C ₈ mim] ₃ H ₃ V ₁₀ O ₂	DBT	air	130 °C, 80 mg/40 mL, 4 h	100	2.4	15
[C ₈ H ₁₇ N(CH ₃) ₃] ₃	DBT	O ₂	100 °C, 40 mg/20 mL, 2.5 h	100	0.6	16
Q ₅ H ₄ PV ₁₄ O ₄₂	DBT	O ₂	90 °C, 40 mg/20 mL, 7 h	100	0.2	17
Q ₅ H ₄ PV ₁₄ O ₄₂	DBT	O ₂	100 °C, 40 mg/20 mL, 5 h	100	0.3	17
MFM-300(V)	DBT	O ₂	120 °C, 3.75 mg/5 mL, 5 h	99.6	6.7	18

The column of ‘Reaction conditions’ contained reaction temperature (°C), catalyst dosage (mg), volume of model oil (mL), reaction time (h), respectively.

Turnover frequency (TOF, h⁻¹) was calculated as follows:

$$TOF(h^{-1}) = \frac{S_{conv} \times C_0 \times V_{oil}/t}{m \times \omega/M}$$

S_{conv}: conversion of sulfides;

C₀: initial sulfur content, mol L⁻¹;

V_{oil}: volume of model oil, L;

t: reaction time, h;

m: mass of catalyst dosage, g;

ω: loading in the catalyst;

M: atomic mass of active metal, g mol⁻¹.

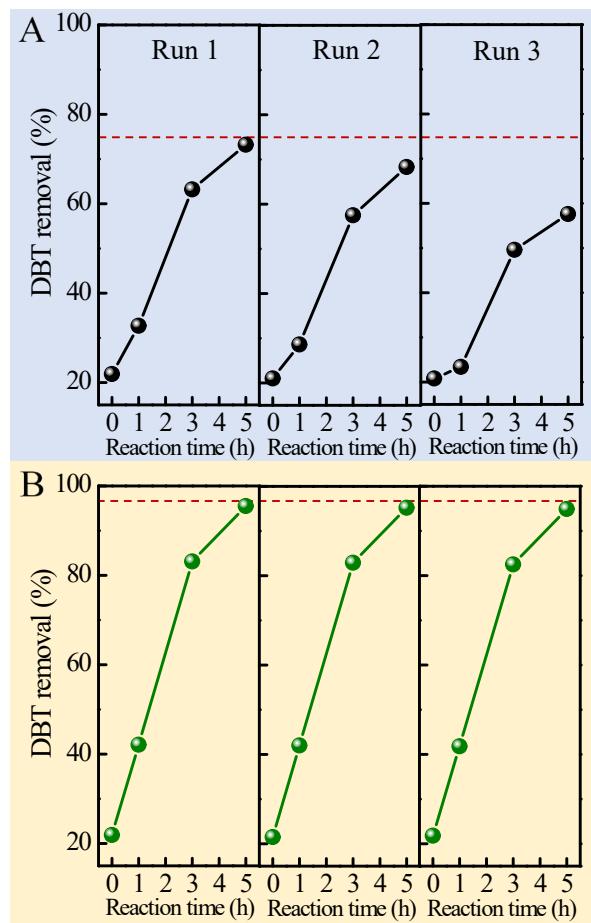


Fig. S9 Reusability of (A) MoO_3/Beta and (B) $\text{MoO}_3@\text{Beta}$ catalysts in the DBT oxidation. The used catalysts were regenerated by calcination at $600\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 6 h after each run. Reaction conditions: model diesel (S content of $500\text{ }\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$), 20 mL; DES, 4 g; $\text{MoO}_3@\text{Beta}$, 0.02 g; temperature, $90\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; O_2 pressure, 1 atm.; flow rate of O_2 , 60 mL min^{-1} .

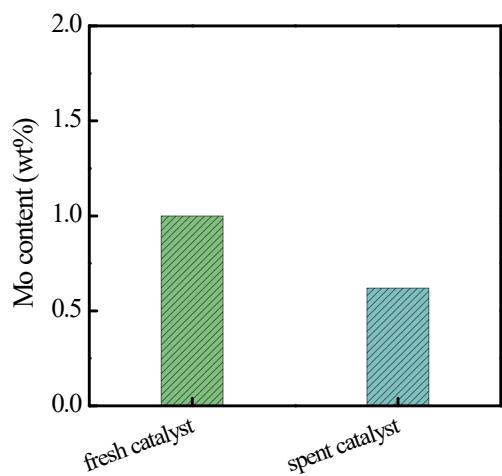


Fig. S10 Mo content for fresh and spent MoO_3/Beta catalyst.

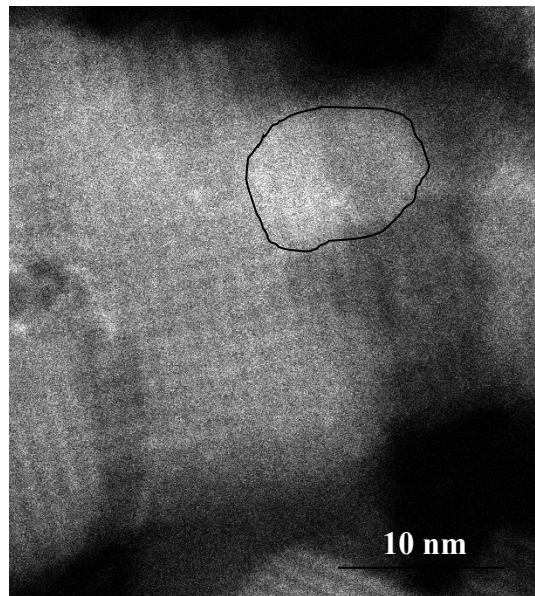


Fig. S11 AC-HAADF-STEM image of the spent MoO_3/Beta catalyst regenerated by calcination at 600 °C for 6 h.

Table S3 Catalytic activity of O₂-treated MoO₃@Beta for 3 h in oxidative desulfurization of DBT with molecular O₂.

No.	Catalyst	Mo loading ^a (wt%)	Conversion ^b (%)
1 ^c	MoO ₃ @Beta[O]	0.95	< 1.0
2 ^d	MoO ₃ @Beta[O]	0.95	< 1.0

^a Calculated by ICP.

^b Conversion = moles of DBT converted/initial moles of DBT × 100%.

^c Reaction conditions: catalyst, 0.02 g; model oil (S content, decalin, 500 μg mL⁻¹), 20 mL; temperature, 90 °C; time, 5 h.

^d Reaction conditions: catalyst, 0.02 g; model oil (S content, decalin, 500 μg mL⁻¹), 20 mL; O₂ pressure, 1 atm.; flow rate of O₂, 60 mL min⁻¹; temperature, 90 °C; time, 5 h.

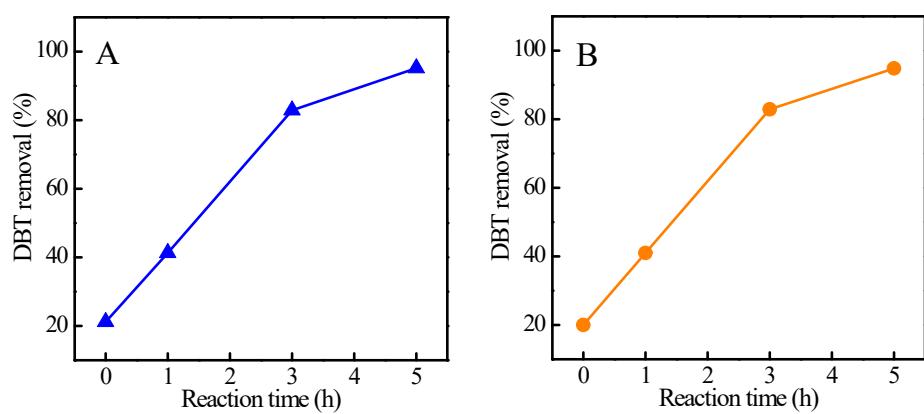


Fig. S12 Selective quenching experiments with (A) L-histidine and (B) ethanol.

Reaction conditions: model diesel (S content of $500 \mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$), 20 mL; DES, 4 g; $\text{MoO}_3@\text{Beta}$, 0.02 g; quencher, 50% mass ratio to DBT; temperature, 90 °C; O_2 pressure, 1 atm; flow rate of O_2 , 60 mL min $^{-1}$.

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