

Enhancing the catalytic performance of Ni based catalysts in toluene reforming at low temperature by structuration on SiC extrudates

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Supporting information

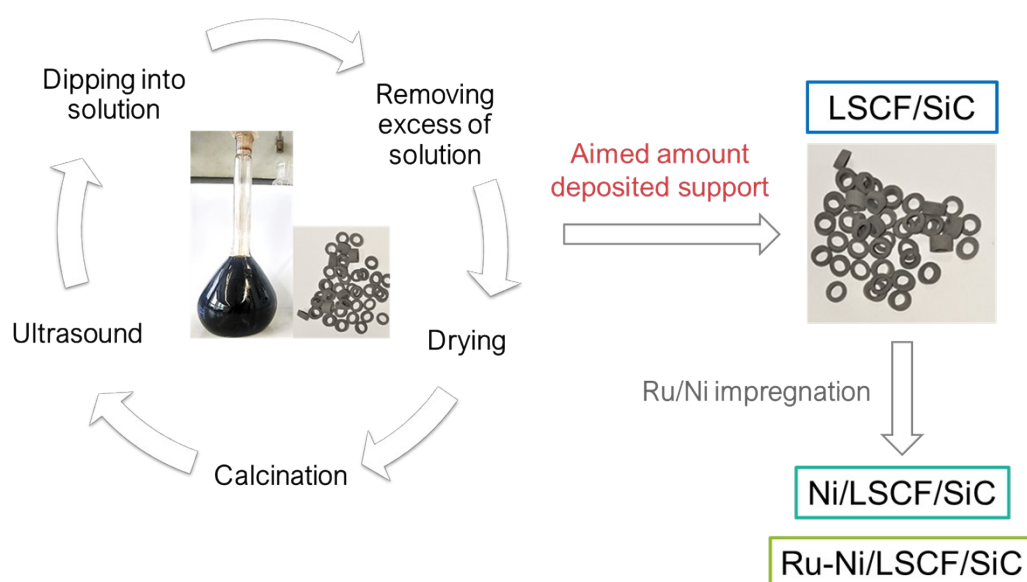


Fig 1S. Dip coating procedure of the LSCF precursor solution and impregnation of active phases (Ni and Ru)

Table 1S. Elemental composition of β -SiC-based extrudates (provided by SICAT)

	Fe	Al	Ca	Na	K	S
Composition (ppm)	3000	1000	400	80	100	50

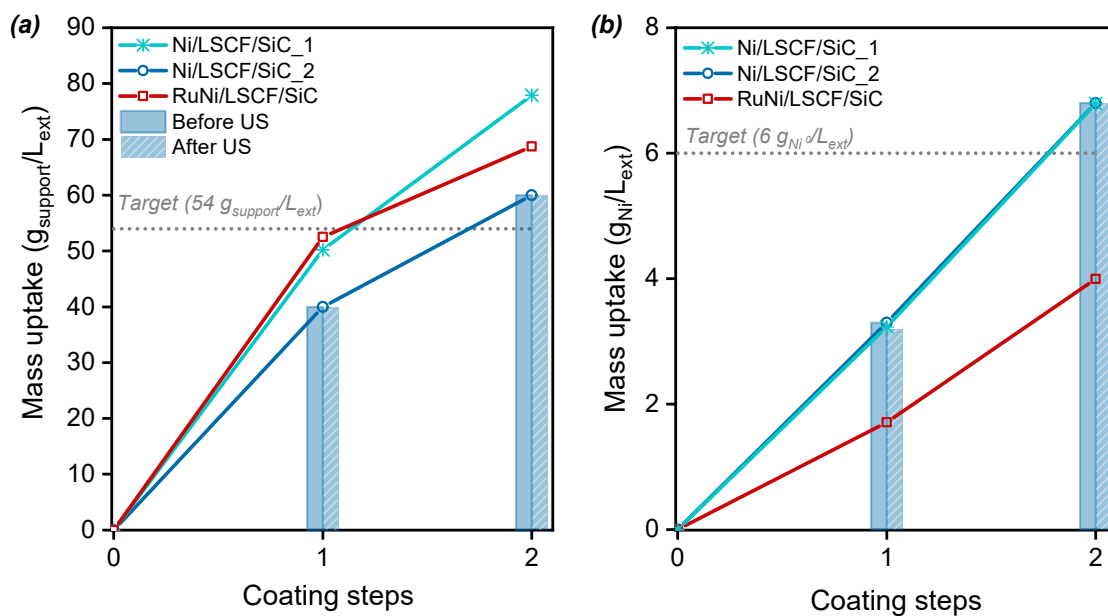


Fig 2S. Mass uptake and ultrasound test after the coating of (a) LSCF and (b) Ni for several batches.

Table 2S. Mass uptake and Ni loading of the batches prepared.

	Mass uptake LSCF (g/L _{ext})	Mass uptake of Ni (g/L _{ext})	Ni loading (%)
Ni/LSCF/SiC_1	77.9	6.8	8.0
Ni/LSCF/SiC_2	60.0	6.8	10.2
RuNi/LSCF/SiC	68.7	4.0	5.5

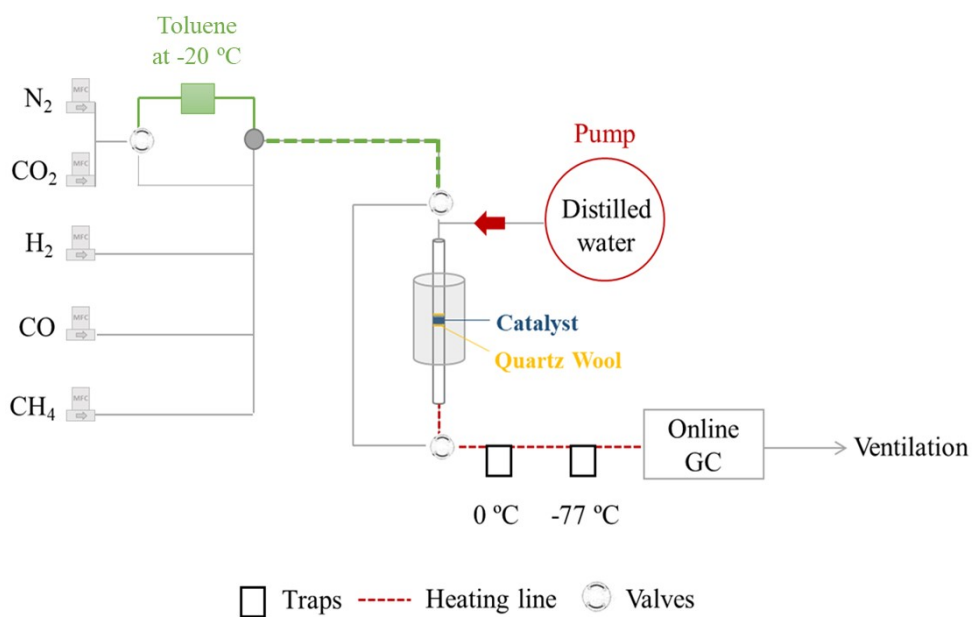


Fig 3S. Scheme of the lab scale plant used for toluene reforming reaction (adapted from ref [1])

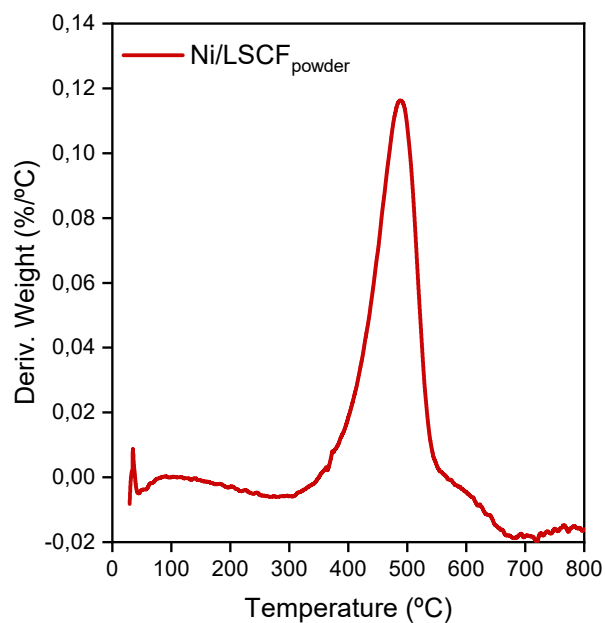


Fig 4S. Derivative of the TGA curve versus temperature of Ni/LSCF powder after the pre-treatment under model ex-biomass atmosphere.

Table 3S. H₂ consumption and support reducibility of powdered and structured catalysts

	H₂ consumption (mmol/g_{catalyst})	Support reducibility (%)
<i>LSCF_{solution}</i>	4.4	31
<i>Ni/LSCF_{powder}</i>	5.9	54
<i>RuNi/LSCF_{powder}</i>	5.4	56
<i>LSCF/SiC</i>	1.4	10
<i>Ni/LSCF/SiC</i>	4.6	38
<i>RuNi/LSCF/SiC</i>	4.9	40

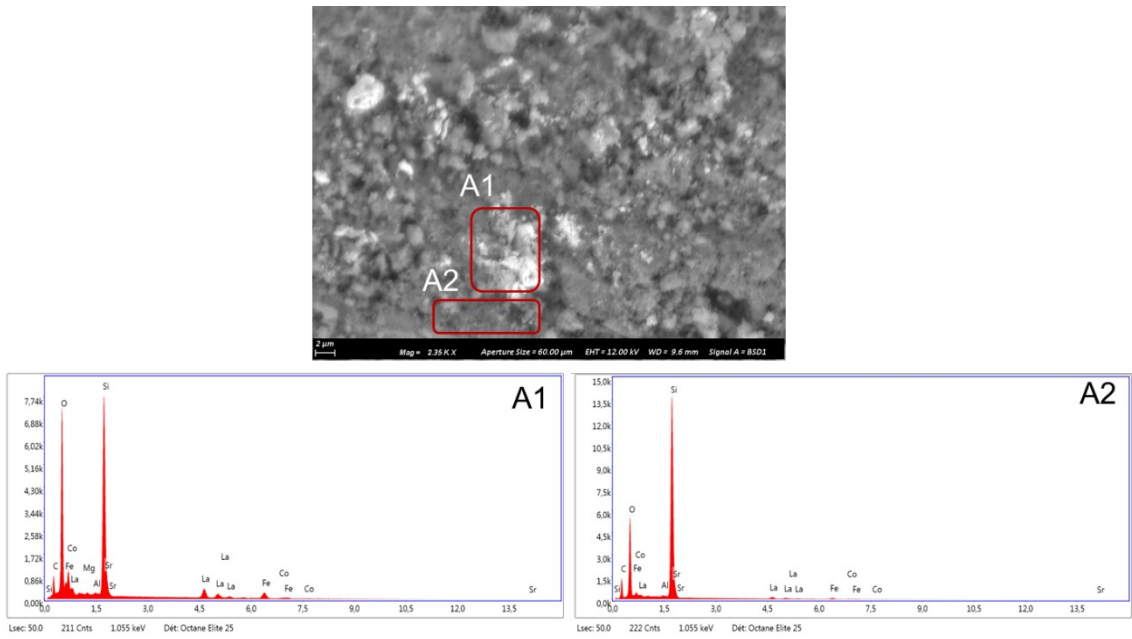


Fig 5S. SEM image and EDX analyses of LSCF/SiC

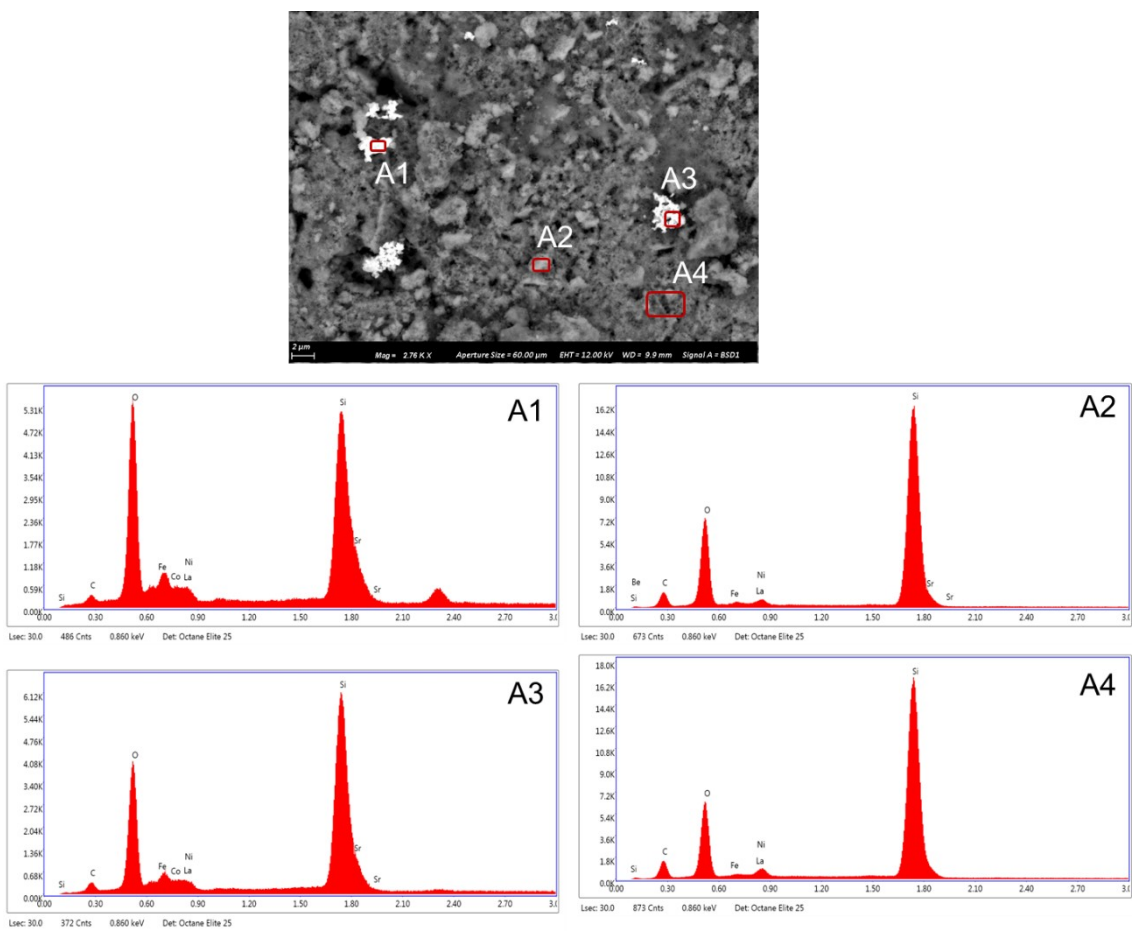


Fig 6S. SEM image and EDX analyses of Ni/LSCF/SiC

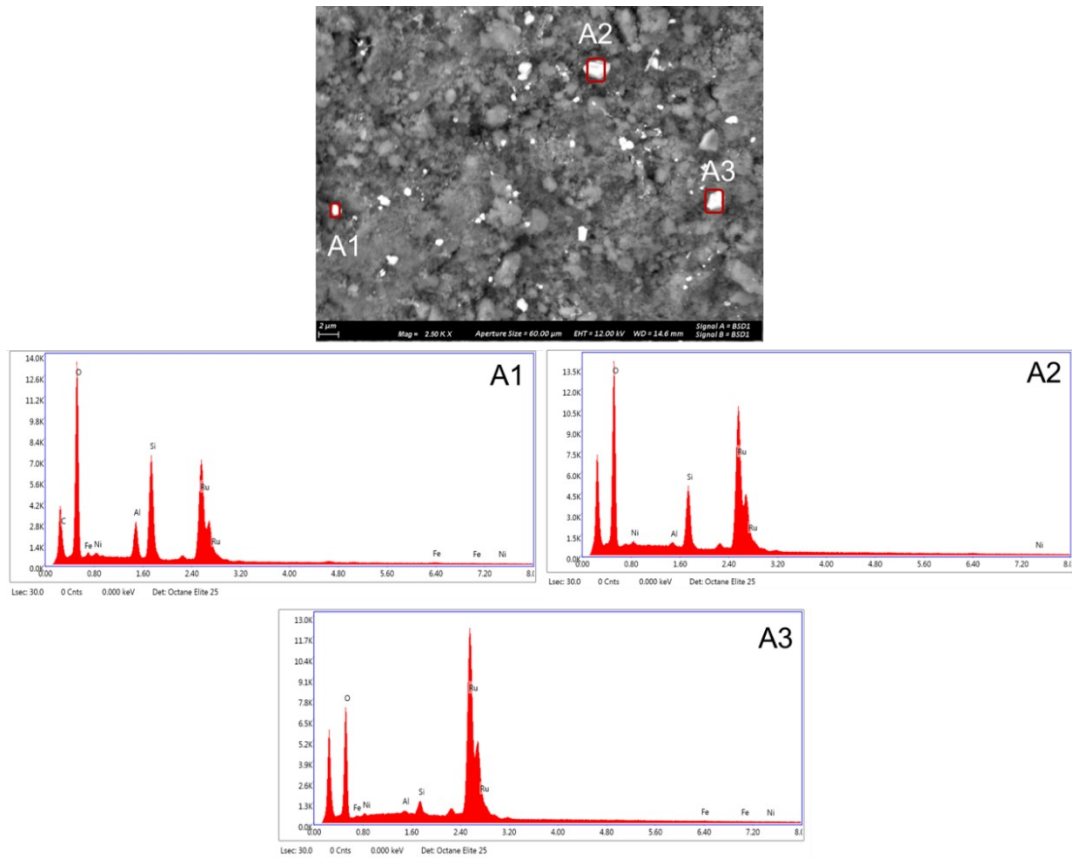


Fig 7S. SEM image and EDX analyses of RuNi/LSCF/SiC

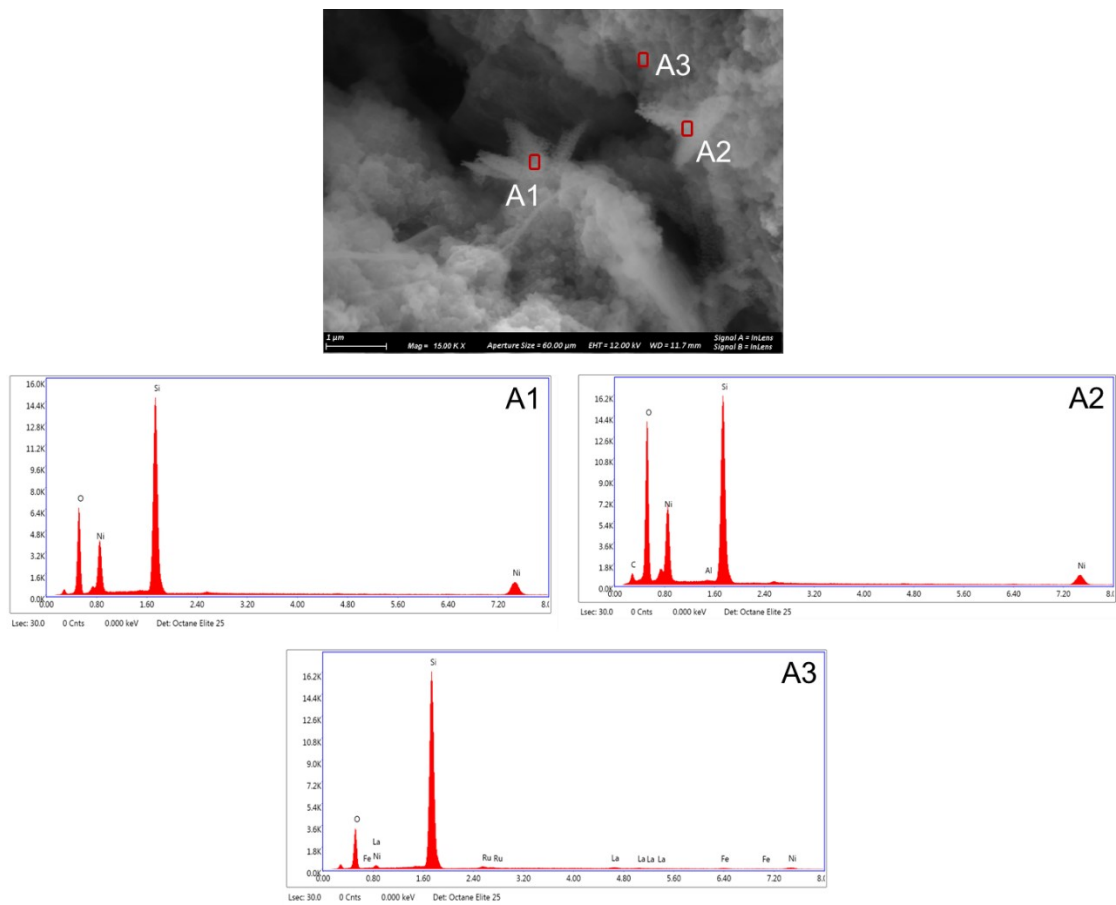


Fig 8S. SEM image and EDX analyses of RuNi/LSCF/SiC

The variation of the partial molar flows of each gas compound compared to the inlet one (dashed lines) versus time during toluene reforming for LSCF after pre-treatment in H_2 atmosphere (prior reported in ref [2]) and (Ru)Ni/LSCF after pre-treatment in model ex-biomass atmosphere is presented in **Fig 7S**. It can be observed that same catalytic activity toward WGS is exhibited for the catalysts pre-treated under model ex-biomass atmosphere and the bare support pre-treated under H_2 .

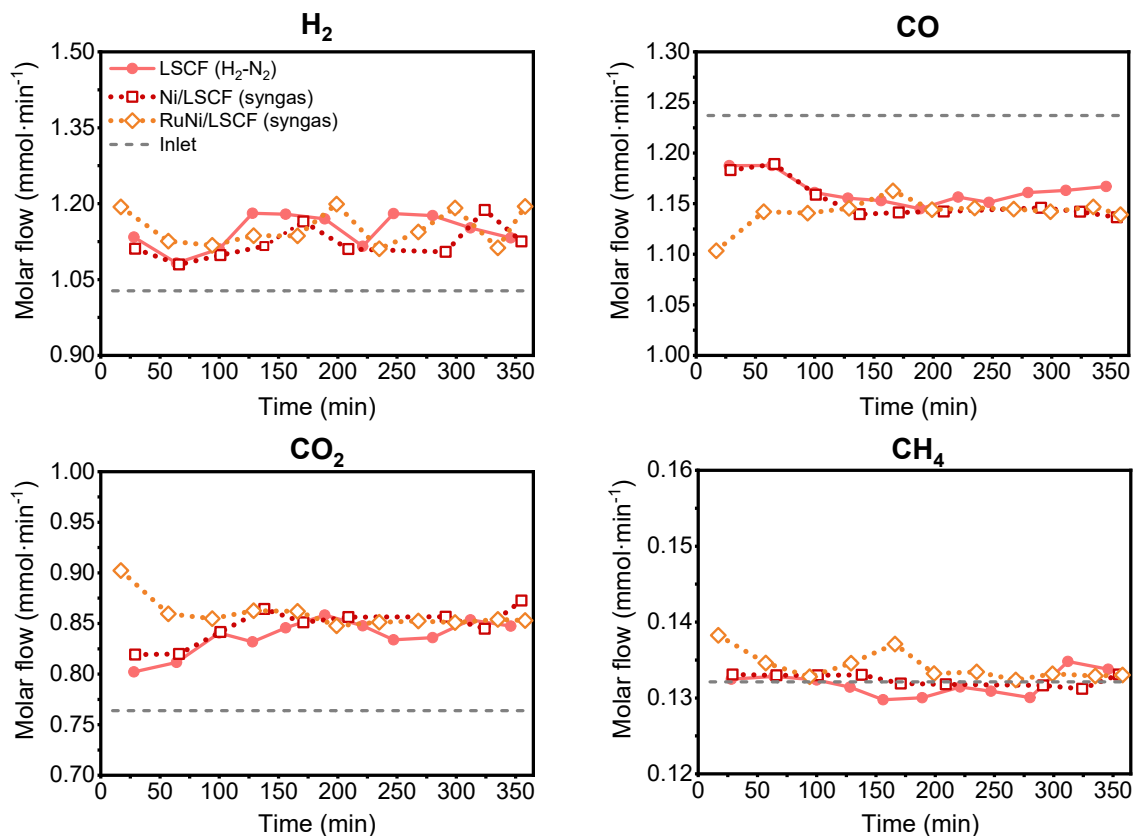


Fig 9S. Partial molar flows at the outlet of the reactor vs time during toluene reforming at 550 °C for 6 h over (Ru)Ni/LSCF catalysts and bare LSCF

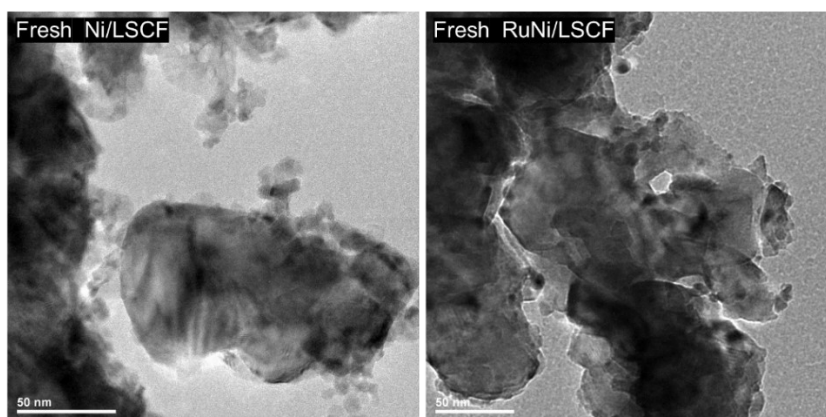


Fig 10S. TEM images of fresh (Ru)Ni/LSCF (adapted from ref [2])

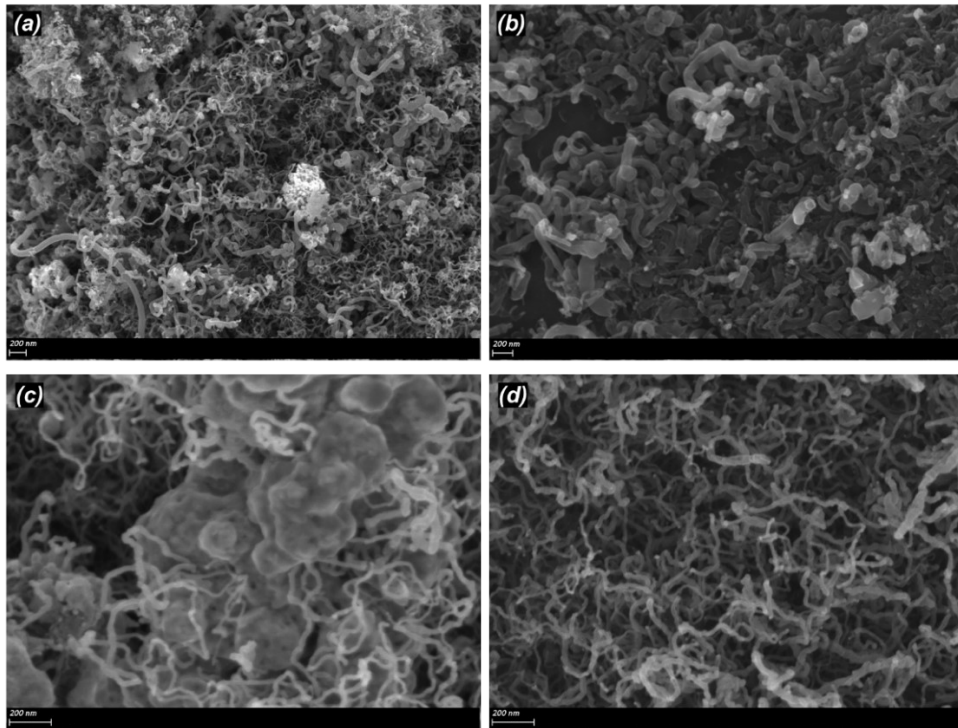


Fig 11S. SEM images after toluene reforming reaction at 550 °C for 6 h of **(a)** Ni/LSCF_{powder}; **(b)** RuNi/LSCF_{powder}; **(c)** Ni/LSCF/SiC and **(d)** RuNi/LSCF/SiC

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