Rhenium oxide modified H₃PW₁₂O₄₀/TiO₂ catalysts for selective

oxidation of dimethyl ether to dimethoxy dimethyl ether

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Catalyst characterization

XRD

XRD patterns were measured on a Bruker Advanced X-Ray Solutions/D8-Advance using Cu Ka radiation. The anode was operated at 40kV and 40mA. The 2Theta angles were scanned from 5° to 70°.

FT-IR spectra

FT-IR spectra were measured on a Bruker Tensor 27 instrument with MCT detector.



Fig. SI-1. DMM desorption over 5%Re-20%PW₁₂/TiO₂ at 513K



Fig. SI-2. XRD patterns of the catalysts.



Fig. SI-3. H₂-TPR profiles of Re-PW₁₂/TiO₂ with different Re loading



Fig. SI-4. Re 4f XPS spectra for the Re-PW₁₂/TiO₂ catalysts



Fig. SI-5. XPS of the catalysts.



Fig. SI-6. FT-IR spectra of $Re-PW_{12}/TiO_2$ catalyst



Fig. SI-7. FT-IR spectra of $\text{Re-PW}_{12}/\text{TiO}_2$ catalyst



Fig. SI-8. FT-IR spectra of Re-PW $_{12}$ /TiO $_2$ calcined at different temperatures

Table SI-1 Effects of different feedstocks on the formation of DMM_2 over 5%Re-20%PW₁₂/TiO₂

| | DME | DMM | Selectivity(C-mol%) | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|------|---------|--------------------|------|------|-----|-----------------|------------|
| Reactant | conversion(%) | conversion(%) | DMM | DME | DMM_2 | CH ₃ OH | НСНО | MF | CO | CH_4 | $\rm CO_2$ |
| DME+Ar ^a | 2.3 | - | 0.5 | - | 0 | 22.5 | 68.1 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 4.6 |
| DMM+Ar ^b | - | 31.2 | - | 56.8 | 4.0 | 5.3 | 3.3 | 30.6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DME+DMM+Ar ° | 7.9 | 33.6 | - | - | 4.4 | 19.4 | 43.2 | 27.4 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 3.0 |

Reaction conditions: atmospheric pressure, 513K, cat.: 1 ml, 3600h⁻¹. ^a nAr:nDME =1.3:1.2, ^b nAr:nDMM=1.3:1, ^C nAr:nDME:nDMM=1.3:1.2:1.

| Table SI-2 Results of H ₂ -TPR integration | | | | |
|---|----------------|--|--|--|
| | Reduction peak | | | |
| Catalyst | Area | | | |
| 5%Re-10%PW ₁₂ /TiO ₂ | 231180 | | | |
| 5%Re-20%PW ₁₂ /TiO ₂ | 473705 | | | |
| 5%Re-30%PW ₁₂ /TiO ₂ | 320506 | | | |

| Table SI-3 Results of Re^{4+} and Re^{7+} for 5% $Re-20\% PW_{12}/TiO_2$ | | | | | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Re ⁴⁺ | Re ⁷⁺ | Ratio | | | |
| Catalyst | Area (%) | Area (%) | $S_{Re4^+}\!/S_{Re7^+}$ | | | |
| The fresh | 59.4 | 40.6 | 1.5 | | | |
| The used | 64.4 | 35.6 | 1.8 | | | |