

# Spillover Hydrogen on Electron-Rich Ni/m-TiO<sub>2</sub> for Hydrogenation of Furfural to Tetrahydrofurfuryl Alcohol

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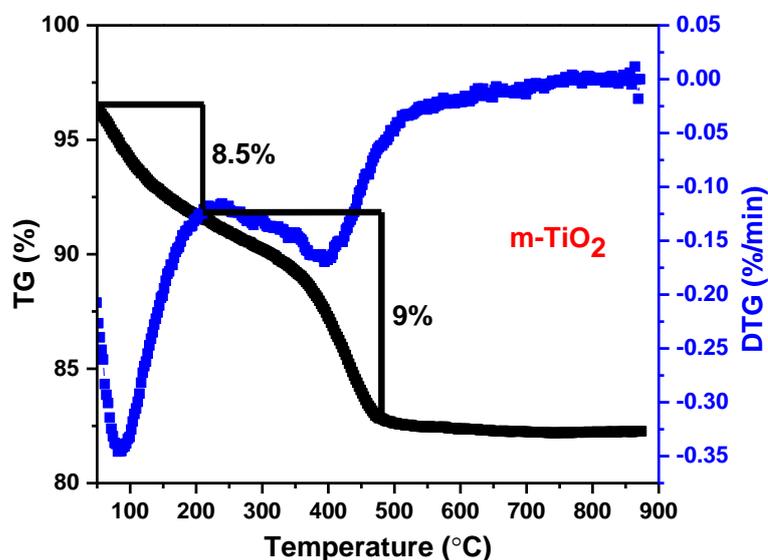


Figure S1. TGA analysis of uncalcined m-TiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst.

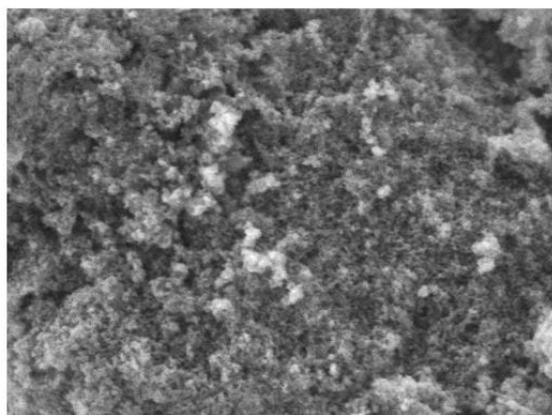


Figure S2. SEM image of pure m-TiO<sub>2</sub>

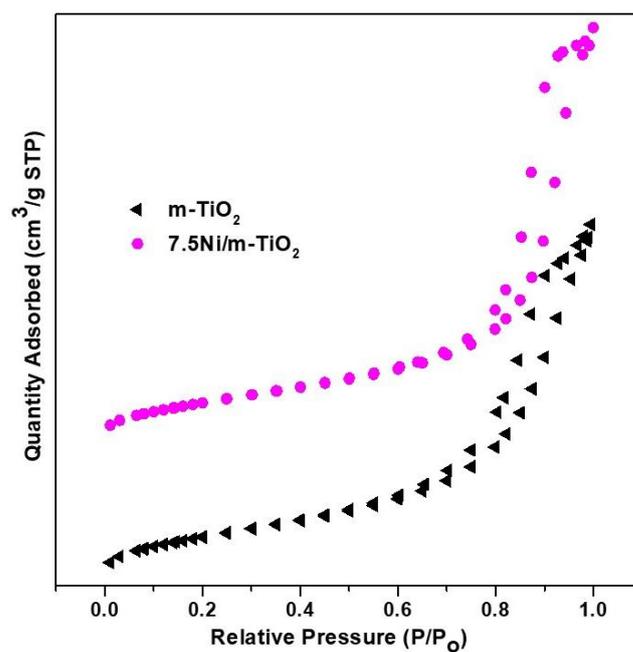


Figure S3. BET of pure m-TiO<sub>2</sub> and 7.5Ni/m-TiO<sub>2</sub>.

Table S1. Physicochemical properties of various catalysts.

S.No	Catalysts	BET (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	Pore Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g)	Pore Size (nm)
1	m-TiO <sub>2</sub>	275.3	0.71	10.3
2	7.5Ni/m-TiO <sub>2</sub>	246.0	0.85	13.5

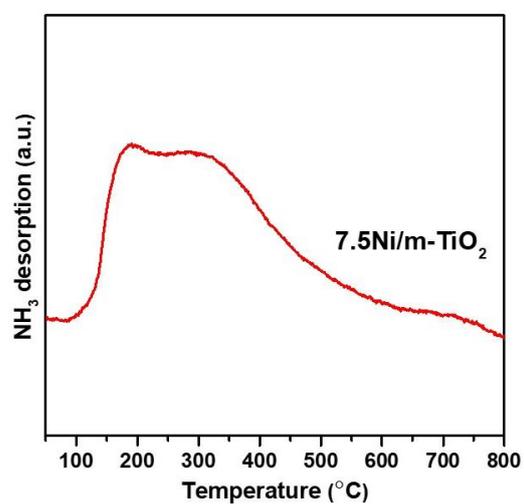
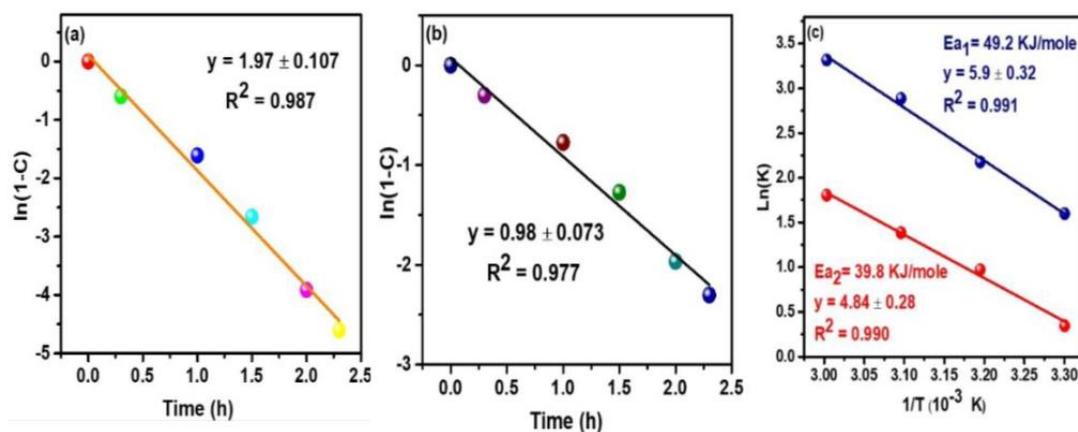
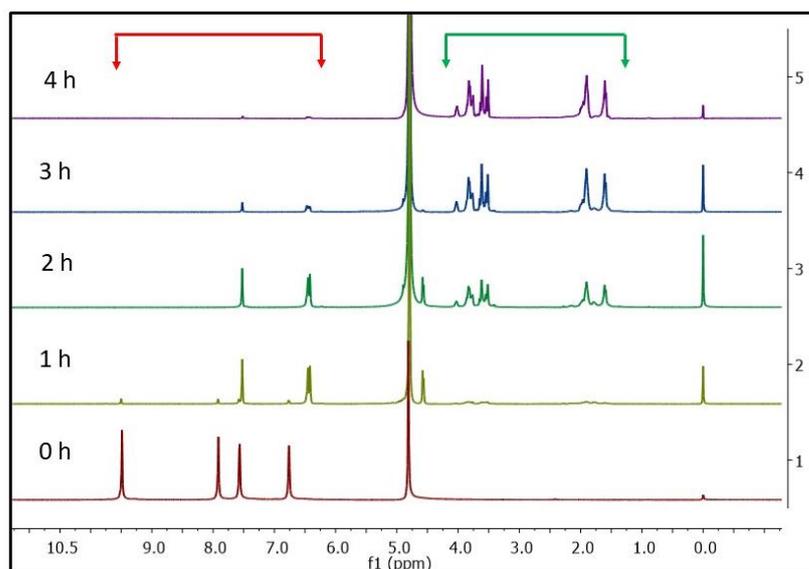


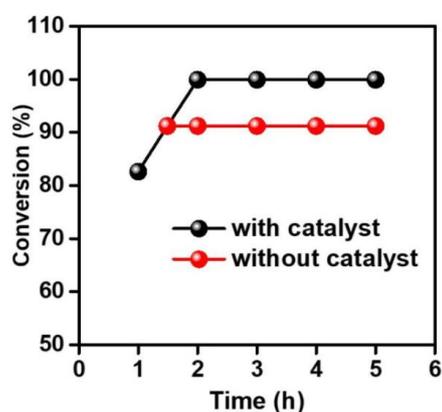
Figure S4. NH<sub>3</sub>-TPD of 7.5Ni/m-TiO<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S5.** First order kinetics fit for (a) hydrogenation of FFA to FOL, (b) hydrogenation of FOL to THFA at various time and  $T = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , (c) Arrhenius plot of the activation energy ( $E_{a1}$  FFA hydrogenation,  $E_{a2}$  for FOL hydrogenation) at  $T = 30\text{--}60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , substrate = 1 mmol, water = 2 mL, catalyst = 0.03 g,  $p = 2\text{ MPa H}_2$ , time = 1 h.



**Figure S6.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of conversion of FFA to THFA in isotopic  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The red arrows show the consumption of FFA and FOL, and the green one leads the formation of THFA.



**Figure S7.** Leaching test for FFA hydrogenation with catalyst (black color), without catalyst (red color).

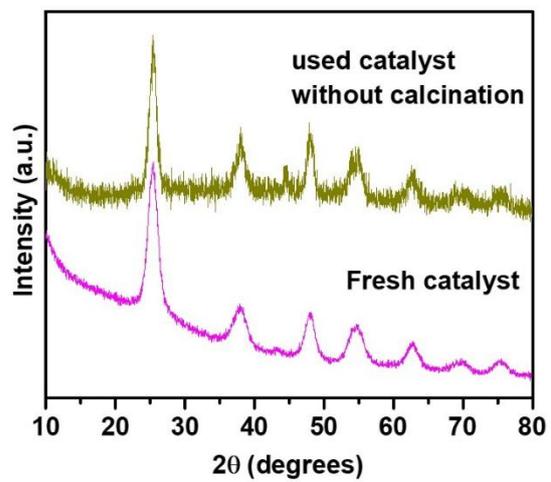


Figure S8. XRD of spent 7.5Ni/mTiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst.