

## Ce Mn mixed oxides for low temperature catalytic after treatment applications

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### Introduction

Manganese oxides molecular sieves (OMS) materials have a mixed valency of  $Mn^{3+}$  and  $Mn^{4+}$  cations that contributes to its highly active redox properties, which make it particularly interesting for emission control applications. Cryptomelane is an OMS-2 material which has a microporous, nano-tunnel structure composed of edge shared  $MnO_6$  octahedra that form a 2 x 2 arrangement, with a  $K^+$  cation positioned within the framework [1]. The structural incorporation of various dopants and tunnel cations can further enhance the functionality of OMS-2 [2]. Other synthesis routes can be used for the incorporation of a high concentration of dopants, can also lead to the inhibition of the crystalline [3]. In this work we have synthesized a range of manganese oxide based supports doped with Ce and tested for applications in automotive emission abatement. Due to the high emissions of lean burn diesel engines operating at low temperatures and during cold start, and issues with catalyst deactivation, the requirement for a catalyst which is active at low temperature is one of the main challenges in automotive emission control [4]. In particular, we have investigated the use of manganese oxide hybrid catalyst supports for their applicable use in automotive after treatment. We have studied their activity in the oxidation reactions of CO and  $C_3H_6$  before comparing their activity with a commercial diesel oxidation catalyst.

### Materials and Methods

OMS-2 molecular sieves were prepared by a sol-gel method.  $KMnO_4$  was dissolved in deionized water before slowly adding Maleic acid. The solution and stirred for 40 minutes. The subsequent gel was then washed with deionized water and dried overnight at 90 °C. The gel was then crushed and calcined in air at 450 °C for 4 h. Ce doped OMS-2 was prepared by ion exchange. A sample of OMS-2 was suspended in a solution of  $Ce(NO_3)_3$  and deionised water, using a theoretical Ce/Mn ratio of 0.5, and stirred for 48 h at room temperature and the resulting sample was denoted as Ce[0.5]-OMS-2. Amorphous Ce/Mn mixed oxides were synthesised by adding  $Ce(NO_3)_3 \cdot 6H_2O$  during the synthesis of OMS-2, prior to the addition of maleic acid. A Ce/Mn molar ratio of 0.5 was used in the precursor solution and the sample was denoted as Ce[0.5]-Mn. To investigate the effect of the dopants on the catalytic activity of the OMS-2 supports, light-off tests were carried out from 303 K to 773 K at a rate of 5 K/min in the presence of 10%  $O_2$ , 4.5%  $H_2O$ , 2000ppm CO,  $CH_4$ ,  $C_3H_6$ , each and 200ppm NO (flow of 100ml/min). The samples were aged using the same equipment for 24 h at 873 K with a feed of 5%  $H_2O$  and 10%  $O_2$ , with Ar used as the balance gas. Following the ageing process, the activity of the sample was tested by carrying out two cycles of the light-off test described above. The exit stream was analysed using an online Pfeiffer Vacuum quadrupole mass spectrometer. Further characterisation on the materials has been carried out including XRD, ICP BET, SEM.

### Results and Discussion

XRD patterns of the catalyst samples are shown in figure 1 and show that Ce doping by ion exchange maintains the structural integrity of the OMS-2. Peaks positions are at the same  $2\theta$  values for Ce[0.5]-OMS-2 than for OMS-2:40. This suggests that  $K^+$  tunnel cations are exchanged for  $Ce^{3+}$  or  $Ce^{4+}$  inside the tunnel framework. XRD analysis also showed that Ce[0.5]-Mn was amorphous and there was no presence of the distinct OMS-2 tunnel structure. Furthermore, ICP-OES analysis also confirmed that Ce[0.5]OMS-2 contained a Ce

concentration of around 5 wt.%, while Ce[0.5]-Mn had a Ce content of around 40 wt.%, despite using the same Ce/Mn mole ratio in the precursor solution.

Figure 2 shows CO conversion, before and after catalyst aging, as a function of temperature, for the different catalyst samples. It shows that the addition of Ceria has an impact on the activity of the OMS-2. The addition of Ce to OMS-2:40 by ion extraction in Ce[0.5]-OMS-2, resulted in the CO  $T_{50}$  to increase by around 20 K compared to the un-doped sample. However, Ce[0.75]-Mn which was synthesized using the one-pot sol-gel method, showed a reduction of the CO  $T_{50}$  value of around 30 K. After ageing, CO light-off was over OMS-2 was reduced significantly. The CO  $T_{50}$  value was increased by 136 K over OMS-2, however, the Ce/Mn catalysts showed remarkable resistance to ageing, with CO  $T_{50}$  values increasing by only 145 K and 25 K over Ce[0.5]-OMS-2:40 and Ce[0.75]-Mn respectively. A similar effect was observed for  $C_3H_6$  light-off.

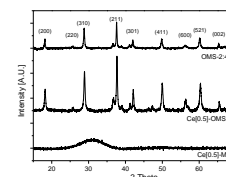


Figure 1 – XRD patterns of pure OMS-2:40, Ce[0.5]-OMS-2 and Ce[0.5]-Mn

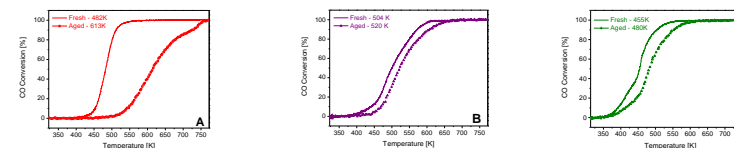


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### Significance

This work has showed that the improvement of the catalytic activity for low temperature oxidation of automotive emissions through the incorporation of ceria and manganese oxides, particularly as a mixed oxide material. The addition of ceria has also shown to significantly improve resistance to ageing compared to conventional OMS-2, highlighting their potential for automotive emission control applications.

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### **Tim Bugg**

'Bacterial Enzymes for Lignin Degradation'

Tim Bugg is Professor of Biological Chemistry at the University of Warwick. His academic career started at the University of Southampton in 1991, where his group studied enzymes involved in the bacterial degradation of aromatic compounds and enzymes involved in bacterial peptidoglycan assembly. Since moving to Warwick in 1999, his group has more recently studied enzymes involved in bacterial degradation of lignin, and the application of biocatalysis to convert lignin into renewable aromatic chemicals. He is the author of the undergraduate textbook "Introduction to Enzyme and Coenzyme Chemistry".



### **Alessandra Quadrelli**

'Surface Organometallic Chemistry on MOFs, POPs and Inorganic Oxides for CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> Reduction: En route to Renewable Energies Storage'



Alessandra is director of research of the French National Centre for Scientific Research, CNRS, at the nanochemistry platform of the C2P2 labs. She also chairs the CPE Lyon Engineering School Sustainable Development Chair and is Associate Editor of the RSC journal "Green chemistry".

Her research focuses on developing molecular understanding of the interaction between organometallic precursors and solid surfaces of SiO<sub>2</sub>, MOFs and 2D wafers (among other solids). She applies this understanding to the synthesis of heterogeneous catalysts and thin films aimed at renewable energy utilization. She considers her Top-3 professional achievements: A new mechanism for N<sub>2</sub> cleavage (SCIENCE, 2007), the creation of the "CO<sub>2</sub> forum" conferences (<http://co2forum.cpe.fr>) and the synthesis of a MoS<sub>2</sub> monolayer by Atomic Layer Deposition, ALD (NANOSCALE, 2017).

### **Enrico Tronconi**

'The NH<sub>3</sub>-SCR Redox Cycle over Cu-CHA: Insights from Transient Response Methods'

Enrico Tronconi is a Professor of Chemical Engineering at the Department of Energy of Politecnico di Milano, Italy. His research interests concern the applications of Catalytic Reaction Engineering to environmental protection and energy conversion. Enrico has investigated DeNO<sub>x</sub> aftertreatment technologies during the last twenty years. He is also active in the study of novel structured catalysts and reactors for process intensification.





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