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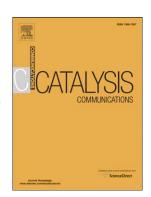
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Abstract

Highly dispersed platinum nanoparticles (NPs) were fabricated on the surface of

few-layered reduced graphene oxide (Pt/RGO) via direct ethylene glycol reduction of

PtCl₆² in aqueous solution. This well-defined Pt/RGO catalyst was highly selective

and active for the hydrogenation of cinnamaldehyde (CAL) to corresponding

cinnamyl alcohol (COL) under mild conditions. It was found that the selectivity of

COL remained 85.3 % at 97.8% CAL conversion in ethanol. These results could be

ascribed to the well dispersed Pt NPs on RGO sheets, well dispersion of Pt/RGO in

ethanol and ethanol can inhibit the generation of acetals.

Key words: Pt nanoparticles, graphene, hydrogenation, cinnamaldehyde.

1. Introduction

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