Improvement of Hydrothermal Stability and NH₃-SCR Activity of High Silica Cu-UZM-12

Small pore zeolites have attracted a lot of attention due to improved hydrothermal stability for the selective catalytic reduction of NO with NH_3 (NH_3 -SCR). Especially, high silica zeolite with low aluminum contents of their frameworks is more stable even hydrothermal treatment up to 800 °C. In this work, copper ion exchanged UZM-12 (ERI) with different Si/Al ratios was synthesized through hydrothermal reaction from various gel composition by using the hexamethonium and tetraethylammonium ions as organic structure-directing agents (OSDAs). Their NH_3 -SCR reaction activities were investigated after hydrothermal

treatment at 750 °C which is similar to exhaust gases containing water. NH₃-TPD, NO-TPD, H₂-TPR analysis results revealed a change of their acidic properties and reactant adsorption abilities. *In-situ* ESR and *in-situ* XAFS measurement also provided the change of Cu²⁺ ion during the NH₃-SCR reaction on Cu-UZM-12.