

La₂O₂CO₃ phase transformation in La₂O₂CO₃/ZnO composite materials as a function of La/Zn ratios: The stability and crystallinity of the La₂O₂CO₃ phases

우홍안¹, Nguyen Phu Huy^{2,†}, Youg Men^{3,4}, 신은우²

¹울산대학교; ²울산대학교 화학공학부;

³Shanghai University of Engineering and Science;

⁴College of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering

(huycanphu@gmail.com[†])

La₂O₂CO₃/ZnO composite materials have been used as a catalyst for CO₂-involving chemical reactions and La₂O₂CO₃ phases are an important factor to influence on catalyst performance. In this study, we prepared La₂O₂CO₃/ZnO composite materials by two different methods – precipitation (PLZ) and ethylene glycol combustion (ELZ) – as functions of La/Zn ratios and calcination temperatures to investigate the formation of La₂O₂CO₃ phase in the composite materials. The calcination temperature was not an crucial variable to control the La₂O₂CO₃ phase. However, in both series of the composite materials, the La₂O₂CO₃ phase was changed depending on the La/Zn ratio. Consequently, the increase in the La/Zn ratio of the composite materials induced the crystallinity of La₂O₂CO₃ phase and the formation of hexagonal phase was preferred under the high crystalline La₂O₂CO₃ structure. The CO₂ release from the hexagonal structure occurred at the higher temperatures than that from the monoclinic phase, which prove that the hexagonal phase was more stable than the monoclinic.