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Activity, Selectivity and Initial Degradation of Iron Molybdate in the Oxidative Dehydrogenation of Ethanol

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Access to data files

The complete data sets are available as comma-separated values (.csv) files through an open access repository provided by the Technical University of Darmstadt (TUdatalib). They are accessible via DOI:

- EtOH ODH: Time resolved conversion and selectivities for bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 1a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Time resolved conversion and selectivities for p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 1b): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Steady-state values of conversion and selectivities for bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 1c): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Steady-state values of conversion and selectivities for p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 1d): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
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- MeOH ODH: Steady-state values of conversion and selectivities for bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 2a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
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- Raman spectra of bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 4): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Raman spectra of spent bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 4): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Raman spectra of p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 4): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Raman spectra of spent p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 4): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Mössbauer data of bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 5a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Mössbauer data of p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 5b): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Mössbauer data of spent bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 5c): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- Mössbauer data of spent p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 5d): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- X-ray powder diffraction data of bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 6a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- X-ray powder diffraction data of spent bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure 6a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
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- EtOH ODH: Time resolved conversion and selectivities of induction period (280 °C) for bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure S1a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Time resolved conversion and selectivities of induction period (280 °C) for p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure S1b): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Long-term measurement at 250 °C for bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure S2a): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Long-term measurement at 250 °C for p-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure S2b): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- MeOH ODH: Time resolved conversion and selectivities of temperature variation for bm-Fe₂(MoO₄)₃ (Figure S3a) *DOI will be added after acceptance*

- MeOH ODH: Time resolved conversion and selectivities of temperature variation for p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ (Figure S3b): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- EtOH ODH: Conversion/Yield diagram for bm- and p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ (Figure S4): *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- XPS data of bm- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$: *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- XPS data of spent bm- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$: *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- XPS data of p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$: *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- XPS data of spent p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$: *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- NH_3 -TPD data for p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$: *DOI will be added after acceptance*
- NH_3 -TPD data for p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$: *DOI will be added after acceptance*

Induction period in ethanol ODH

Figure S1 shows the induction period of the precipitated (p) and ball-milling solid-state synthesized (bm) $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ catalysts at a reaction temperature of 280 °C. Figure S2 shows a long-term measurement after pre-treating at 280 °C.

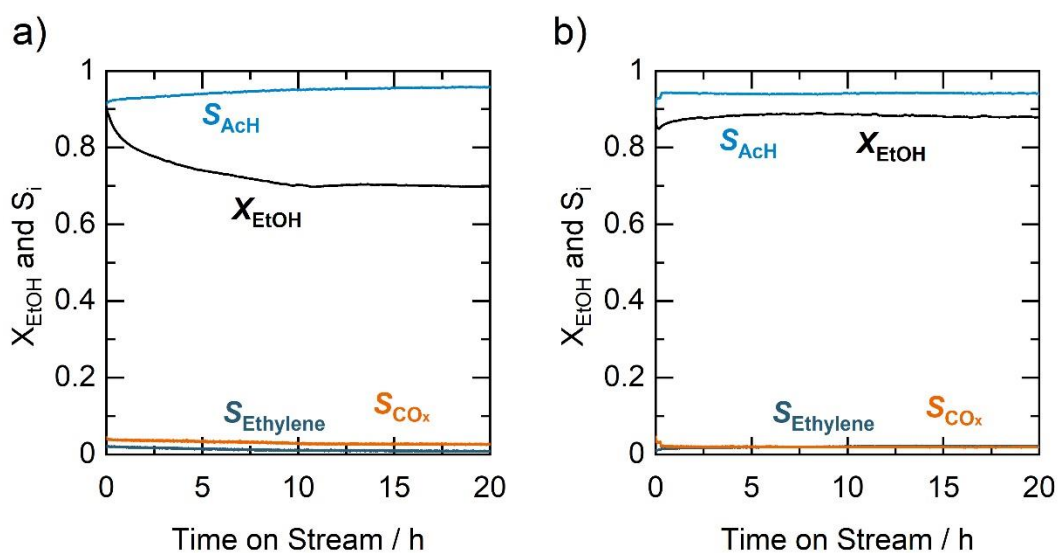


Figure S1: Induction period of investigated catalysts at 280 °C. Conversion of ethanol (EtOH) and selectivities to acetaldehyde (AcH), ethylene and CO_x for: a) 150 mg bm- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ and b) 100 mg p- $\text{Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$. Reaction conditions: 5 vol% EtOH, 10 vol% O_2 , 85 vol% He, $\dot{V}_{\text{total}} = 20 \text{ ml}_{\text{STP}} \text{ min}^{-1}$, 280 °C.

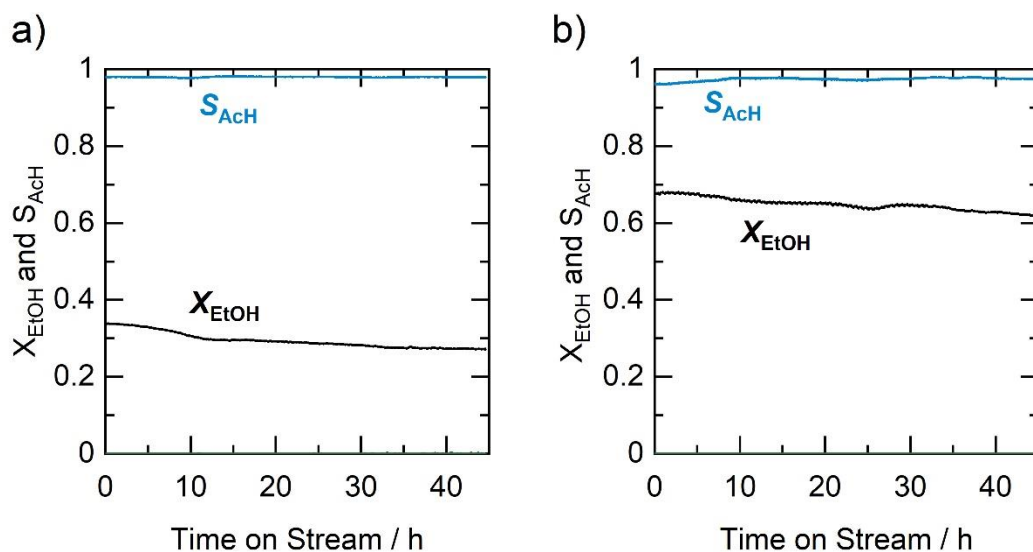


Figure S2: Long-term measurements at 250 °C. Conversion of ethanol (EtOH) and selectivity to acetaldehyde (AcH) for: a) 150 mg $\text{bm-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ and b) 100 mg $\text{p-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$. Reaction conditions: 5 vol% EtOH, 10 vol% O_2 , 85 vol% He, $\dot{V}_{\text{total}} = 20 \text{ ml}_{\text{STP}} \text{ min}^{-1}$, 250 °C.

Methanol ODH

Figure S3 shows the time-resolved conversion and selectivities to reaction products during temperature variation in methanol ODH.

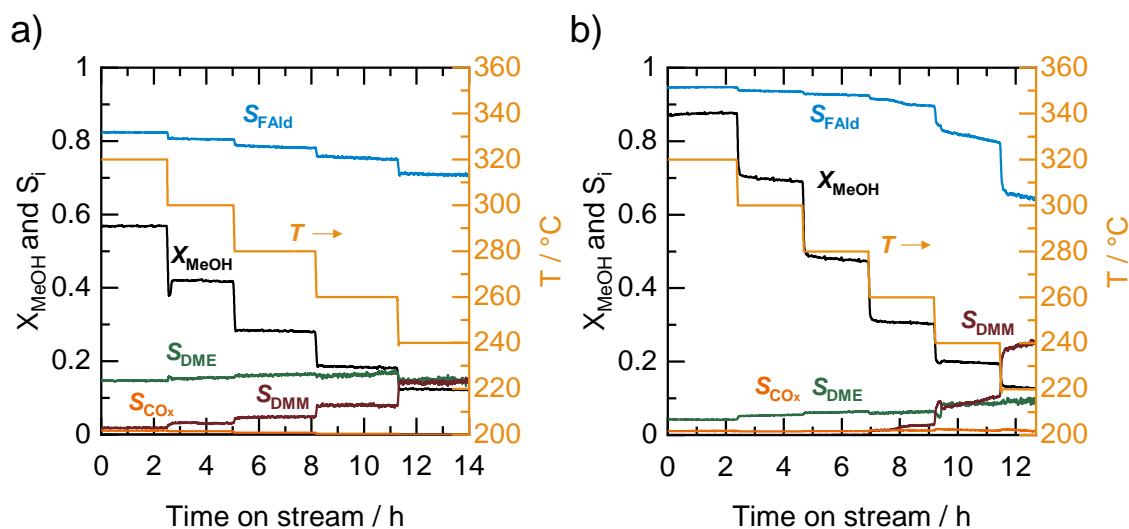


Figure S3: Conversion of methanol (MeOH) and selectivities to formaldehyde (FAld), dimethyl ether (DME), dimethoxy methane (DMM) and CO_x for a) 100 mg $\text{bm-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ and b) 100 mg $\text{p-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$. Reaction conditions: 10 vol% MeOH, 10 vol% O_2 , 80 vol% He, $\dot{V}_{\text{total}} = 20 \text{ ml}_{\text{STP}} \text{ min}^{-1}$.

Ethanol ODH: $X_{\text{EtOH}}/Y_{\text{AcH}}$ diagram

Figure S4 shows the yield of acetaldehyde depending on the conversion of ethanol for both materials.

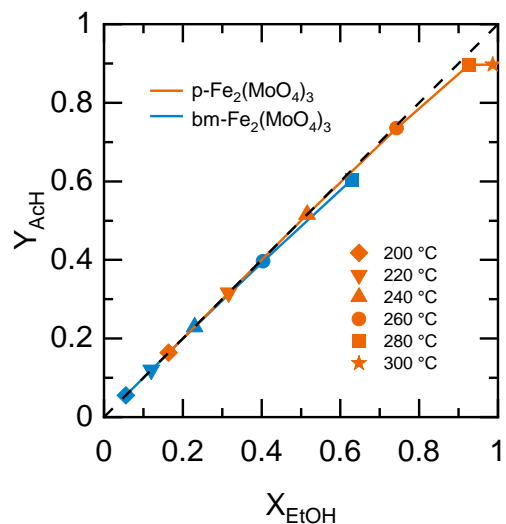


Figure S4: Yield of acetaldehyde (AcH) versus conversion of ethanol (EtOH). Dashed line: Angle bisector (for orientation)

XPS Spectra

Figure S5 shows the survey and high resolution XPS spectra of the catalysts prior and after catalysts.

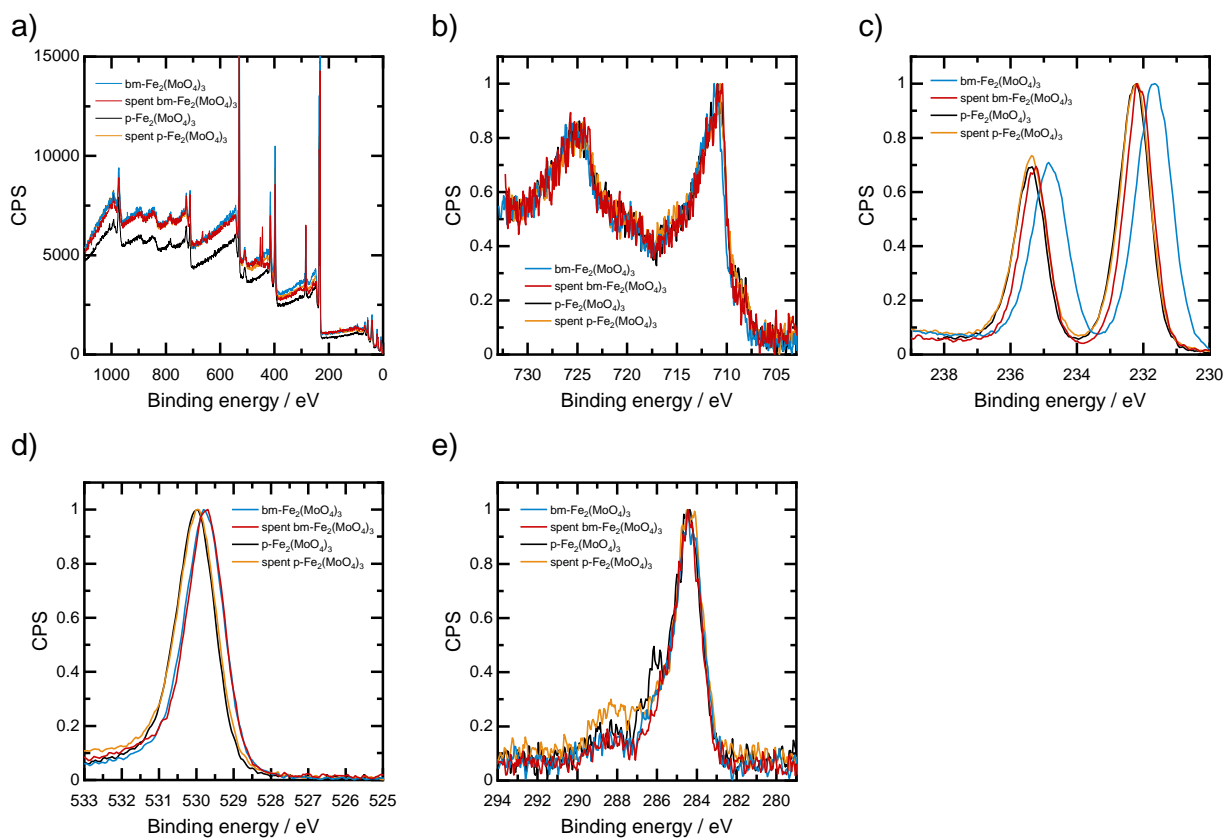


Figure S5: XPS spectra of pristine and spent catalysts: a) Survey spectra, b) Fe 2p, c) Mo 3d, d) O 1s and e) C 1s spectra.

NH₃ TPD:

Figure S6 shows the NH₃ TPD measurements of both catalysts and the total amount of desorbed NH₃.

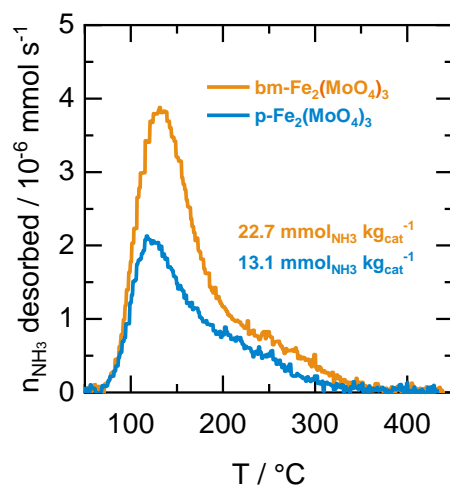
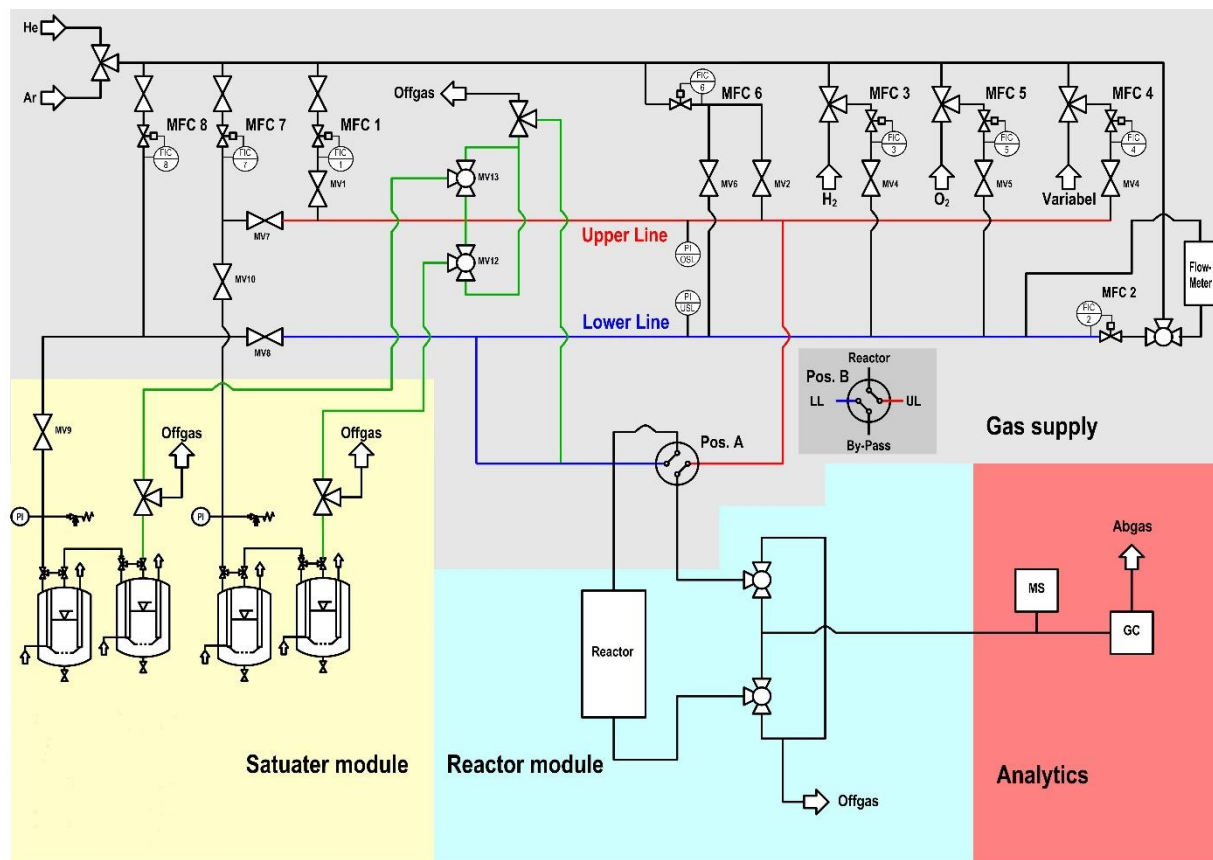


Figure S6: NH₃-TPD spectra of $\text{bm-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ (orange) and $\text{p-Fe}_2(\text{MoO}_4)_3$ (blue). (100 mg, Heating rate: 5 K min⁻¹, N₂ volume flow: 100 ml min⁻¹ (STP), analytics: FTIR spectrometer)

Scheme S7 shows a simplified flow sheet of the reaction setup including a saturator module, gas supply module, reactor module and analytics.



Scheme S7: Simplified flow sheet of the used reaction setup for the methanol and ethanol ODH measurements. Gases are dosed by mass flow controllers and liquids components are evaporated using a double saturator station. Analytics is done using an online quadrupole mass spectrometer and a gas chromatograph equipped with a FID and TCD detector.