

# Supporting Information

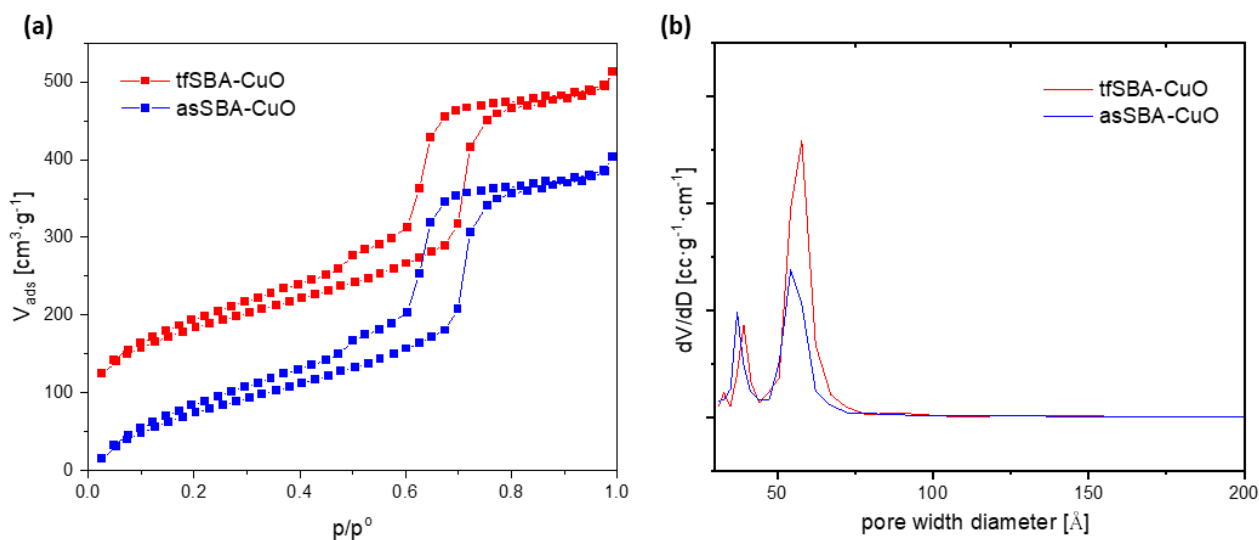
## Rational Design of Mesoporous CuO-CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalysts for NH<sub>3</sub>-SCR Applications Guided by Multiple *In Situ* Spectroscopies

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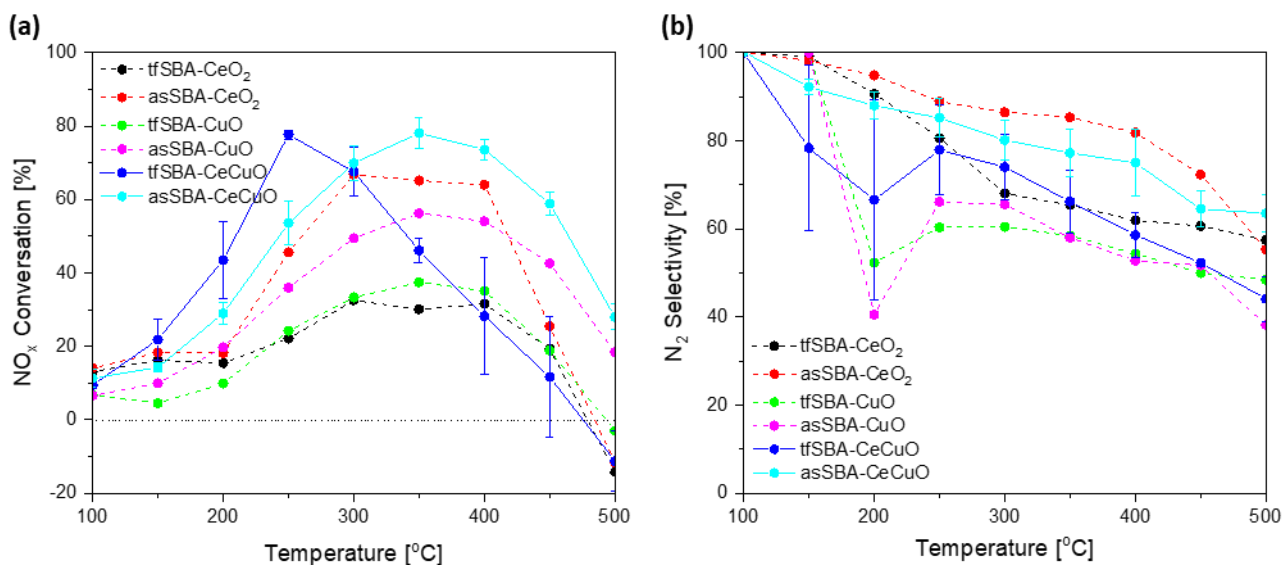
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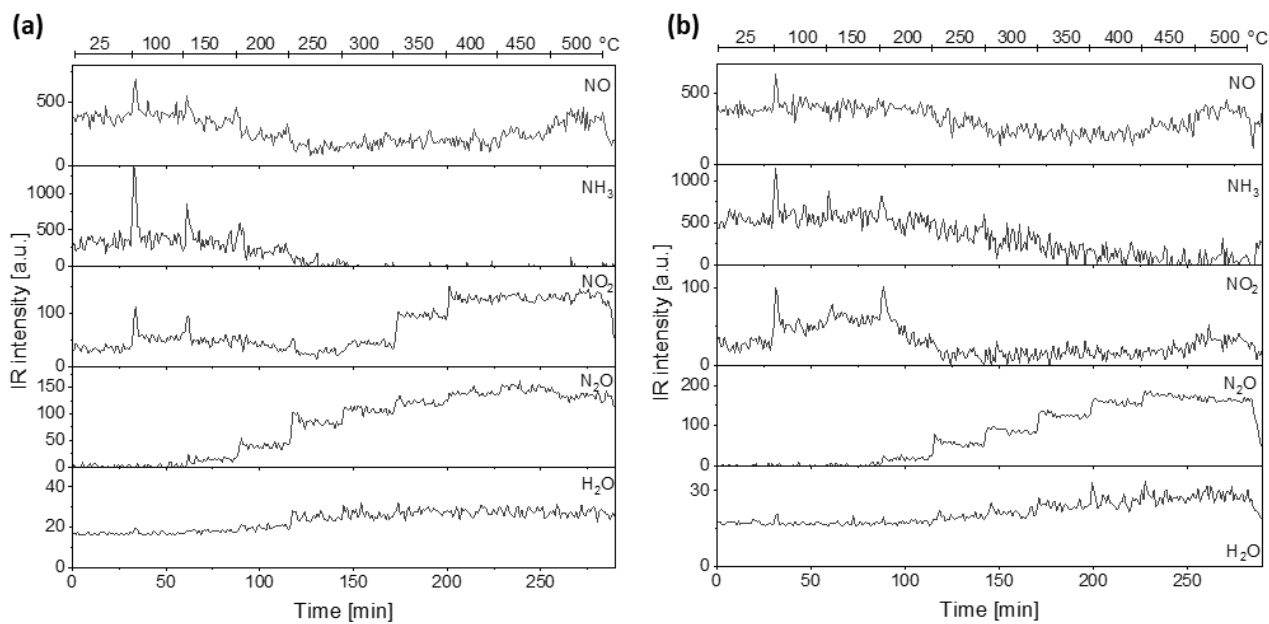
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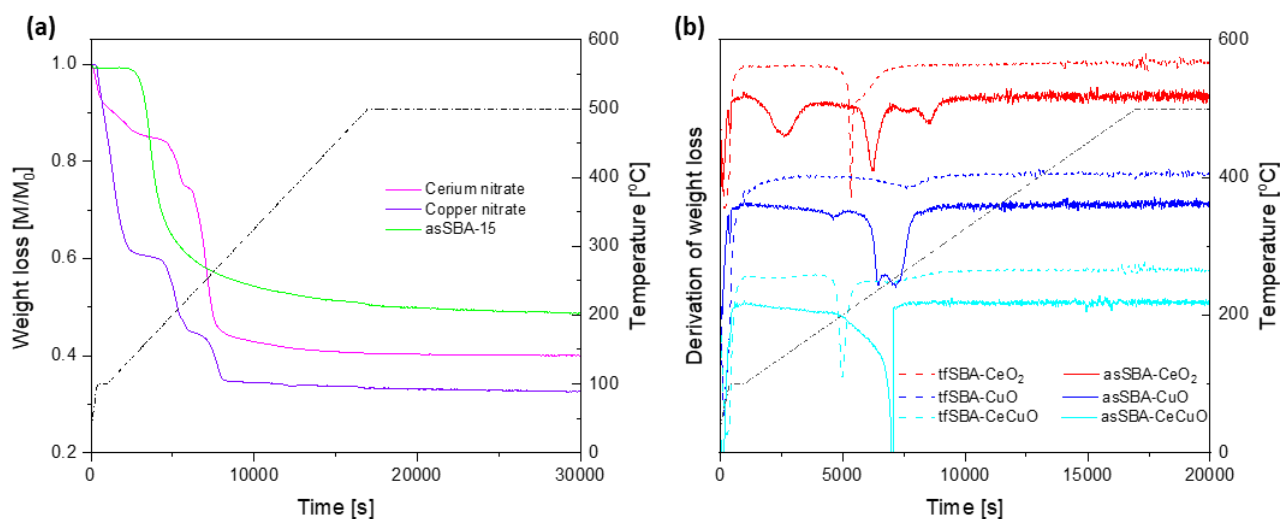
**Figure S1.** (a)  $\text{N}_2$  adsorption/desorption isotherms, and (b) NLDFT pore size distributions of tfSBA-CuO and asSBA-CuO. The  $\text{N}_2$  adsorption/desorption experiments were carried out at 77 K using on an Autosorb-3B (Quantachrome Instruments, USA) device.



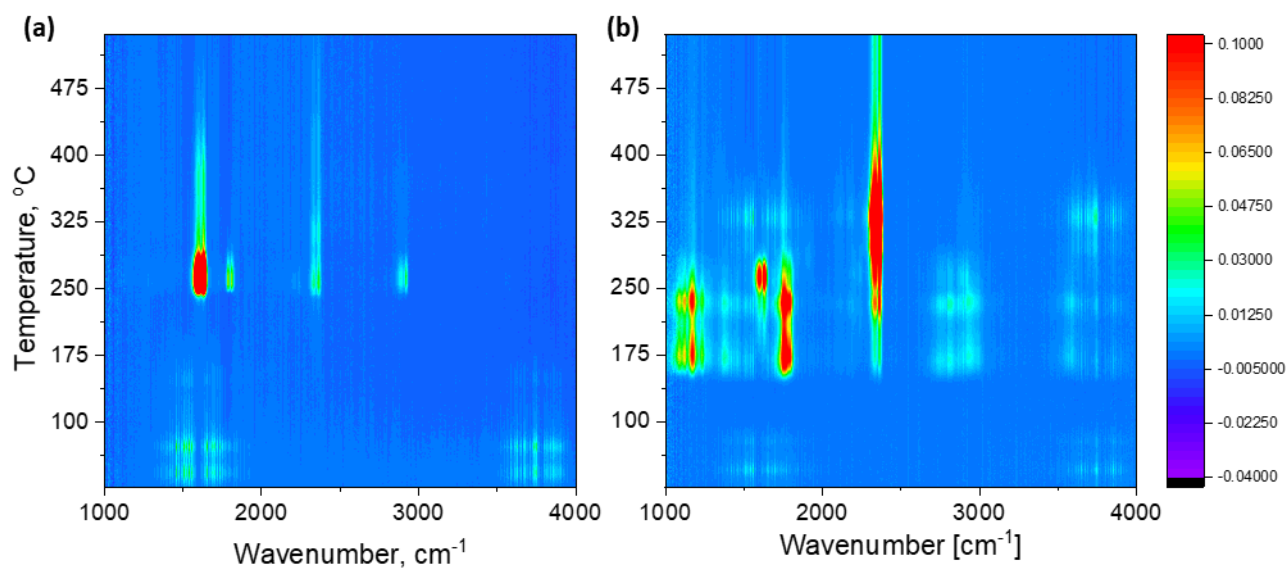
**Figure S2.** Temperature-dependent  $\text{NH}_3$  SCR performance for the synthesized samples: (a)  $\text{NO}_x$  conversion, (b)  $\text{N}_2$  selectivity.



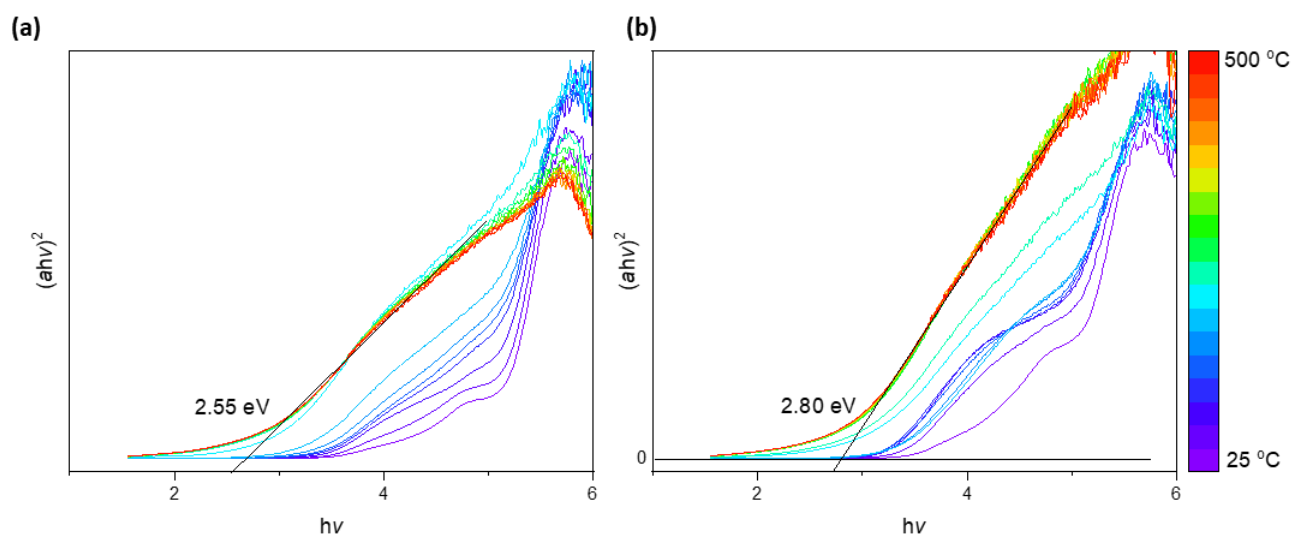
**Figure S3.** *In situ* detection of the exhaust gas during NH<sub>3</sub>-SCR reaction of (a) tfSBA-CeCuO, (b) asSBA-CeCuO. The temperature was increased stepwise from 25°C to 500°C. The feed consisted of 500 ppm NH<sub>3</sub>, 500 ppm NO, and 5% O<sub>2</sub> (balanced with N<sub>2</sub>) at a total flow rate of 50 NmL/min (GHSV = 60,000 h<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S4.** (a) TGA profiles of asSBA-15, bare cerium nitrate and bare copper nitrate, (b) DTG profiles of tf/asSBA-CeO<sub>2</sub>, tf/asSBA-CuO, and tf/asSBA-CeCuO during heating to 500 °C in air or inert N<sub>2</sub> (heating rate: 1.5 °C/min).



**Figure S5.** Online IR detection of the exhaust gases during air calcination of the precursor samples (a) tfSBA-CeO<sub>2</sub>, (b) asSBA-CeO<sub>2</sub>. The temperature was raised from 25 °C to 500 °C at a heating rate of 1.5 °C/min.



**Figure S6.** Calculation of band gap energies based on the *in situ* DR UV-vis spectra shown in Figure 8 by applying Tauc's method. (a) tfSBA-CeCuO and (b) asSBA-CeCuO.