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20 Abstract:

21 The spillover of oxygen species is fundamentally important in redox reactions, but the spillover 22 mechanism has been less understood compared to that of hydrogen spillover. Herein Sn is doped into TiO₂ to activate low-temperature (<100 °C) reverse oxygen spillover in Pt/TiO₂ catalyst, 23 24 leading to CO oxidation activity much higher than that of most oxide-supported Pt catalysts. A 25 combination of near-ambient-pressure X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy, in situ Raman/Infrared 26 spectroscopies, and ab initio molecular dynamics simulations reveal that the reverse oxygen spillover is triggered by CO adsorption at Pt²⁺ sites, followed by bond cleavage of Ti-O-Sn 27 moieties nearby and the appearance of Pt⁴⁺ species. The O in the catalytically indispensable Pt-O 28 29 species is energetically more favourable to be originated from Ti-O-Sn. This work clearly depicts 30 the interfacial chemistry of reverse oxygen spillover that is triggered by CO adsorption, and the 31 understanding is helpful for the design of platinum/titania catalysts suitable for reactions of 32 various reactants.

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36 1. Introduction

37 Platinum group metals supported on oxides are widely used in environmental catalysis, electrocatalysis, and energy-related hydrogenation processes¹⁻⁴. To understand the mechanisms, 38 39 interfacial chemistry of catalytic reactions over noble metals is of great importance in the 40 development of catalytic science. The concept of strong metal support interaction (SMSI) effect 41 has been widely used to describe and/or interpret phenomena of electronic interaction, as well as the stabilization/destabilization of metals on support materials^{5,6}. For instance, Ding et al.⁷ 42 43 synthesized single-atom Pt/CeO₂ catalysts via oxidative and non-oxidative dispersions, and found 44 significant differences in the CO catalytic oxidation activity of single-atom Pt in different 45 coordination environments. Another important concept is the transport of adsorbates and/or 46 intermediates through metal-support interfaces, known as spillover of active species, such as hydrogen and oxygen entities. For hydrogen spillover, the fundamentals have been well 47 documented⁸ and widely applied in catalyst design^{9,10}. By contrast, much less attention has been 48

49 given to oxygen spillover, and the related information are limited.

50 Recently reverse oxygen spillover (ROS) has opened new opportunities in improving the activity, selectivity and stability of the catalyst systems with Ce-based supports due to the 51 excellent oxygen mobility of ceria. For example, Hensen and co-workers¹¹ investigated the 52 53 interfacial dynamics of Pd-CeO₂ catalyst in CO oxidation, and found that the surface oxidized Pd 54 species showed high resistance against sintering ascribable to extent ROS, whereas the ionic Pd species in a Pd-CeO₂ system without ROS underwent swift reduction and agglomeration. Also, by 55 varying the particle size of CeZrO₄ support of the Co/Ce-Zr catalysts, Hensen et al.¹² observed 56 facile formation of oxygen vacancies ascribable to ROS, and upon CO/CO₂ exposure the filling of 57 58 vacancies by oxygen atoms via oxygen spillover. The migration of oxygen species enables the 59 stabilization of cobalt metal nanoparticles and CO₂ activation, thus playing essential roles in 60 various CO₂ hydrogenation reactions. Theoretical calculations were also employed to investigate 61 the ROS in CeO₂-based catalysts. Combining DFT predictions and resonant photoelectron spectroscopy, Vayssilov et al.¹³ proposed that the ROS process occurred on nanostructured ceria 62 63 rather than on bulk ceria. In their study, a model Pt-CeO₂-film catalyst was designed and the generation of Ce³⁺ was used to indirectly indicate the transfer of O from support to the active Pt 64 65 sites. It should be noted that the spillover of oxygen species is fast and its rate can compete with 66 the rate of reaction. Therefore, the direct observation of such a phenomenon is difficult and 67 challenging.

68 Because the oxygen mobility of TiO₂ is much lower than that of CeO₂, systemic ROS study on 69 Pt/Titania catalyst is extremely rare despite the related catalytic behavior is known. By a potential 70 dynamic sweep method¹⁴, Lin studied oxygen spillover and back spillover over Pt/TiO₂ working 71 electrode. It was found that the transport of oxygen species is brought about not only on the 72 surface but also significantly in the TiO₂ crystal lattice. Nevertheless, only current-potential 73 profiles of Pt/TiO₂ electrode were reported and the related interface chemistry was not illustrated 74 in detail. More importantly, the effect of electricity introduction into the system cannot be ignored, 75 making the information obtained by electrochemical methods, to a certain extent, irrelevant to 76 thermocatalysis. Therefore, it is appropriate despite challenging to activate the ROS process in 77 TiO₂-based supports and to understand the ROS dynamics of Pt/Titania interfaces in 78 heterogeneous catalysis.

Since SnO_2 possess a similar structure as rutile TiO_2^{15} , doping Sn will not change significantly 79 80 the bulk construction but create asymmetric oxygens (M₁-O-M₂) in TiO₂. Such altering of oxygen symmetry probably increases its mobility and thus benefits to the ROS process. Therefore, in the 81 82 present work, we modulated the rutile TiO_2 by Sn doping to activate the oxygen in TiO_2 support, 83 and illustrated the rich interfacial chemistry of reverse oxygen spillover from Sn-doped TiO_2 (SnTiO₂) to Pt sites in low-temperature (100 °C) CO oxidation. Comparing with the reference 84 85 catalysts, namely, anatase-supported and rutile-support Pt (denoted herein as Pt/TiO₂-A and Pt/TiO₂-R, respectively), the fabricated Pt/SnTiO₂ was intrinsically 6-12 times more active and 86 there was no sight of deactivation in a test of seven days, based on the USDRIVE's protocol¹⁶ in 87 the presence of 10% H₂O and 100 ppm SO₂. The revealed interface chemistry suggested that the 88 89 reverse oxygen spillover was triggered by CO adsorption on Pt sites followed by the appearance of Pt⁴⁺ species. With the cleavage of Ti-O-Sn bonds in the vicinity of CO-adsorbed Pt sites, there 90 91 is the availability of O species and the formation of catalytically indispensable Pt-O sites. The 92 revealed reactant-adsorption-triggered characteristics of interfacial reverse oxygen spillover can 93 help understand the mechanistic aspects of catalytic reactions that are different in reactants, as 94 well as those of photo-electrocatalytic nature such as oxygen evolution and reduction reactions.

95 **2. Results**

96 **2.1 CO oxidation performance**

97 The absence of heat and mass transfer limitations was verified by Mears criterion¹¹ 98 (Supplementary Note 1 and Supplementary Fig. S1). The H_2 pretreatment temperature and the 99 valence of Pt were discussed by Supplementary Note 2 and Supplementary Figs. S2-3. As 100 displayed in Supplementary Fig. S4, the $Pt/Sn_xTi_{1,x}O_2$ catalysts exhibited satisfactory CO oxidation activities with $T_{90} < 120$ °C. Specifically, Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ showed the highest activity 101 102 with CO conversion of ~100% at 120 °C, meeting the guideline of "90% conversion of all criteria pollutants at 150 °C" proposed by the U.S. Department of Energy¹⁷. Fig. 1a shows that the CO 103 104 oxidation activity of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ obviously better than those of Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A with 105 the same Pt loading (0.5 wt%), indicating that Sn doping plays a critical role in promoting 106 low-temperature CO oxidation over the $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ catalyst. A comparison between Fig. 1a and 107 Supplementary Fig. S5a revealed that a moderate H_2 reduction (5% H_2 , 300°C) of the catalysts 108 resulted in obvious improvement of CO oxidation activities over the Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ catalyst, 109 whereas over Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A the improvement was less obvious. A possible reason is 110 that the reaction pathways for CO oxidation over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂ catalysts are different 111 (vide infra).

112In agreement with the CO oxidation activities, the activation energies (E_a) over all the 113Pt/Sn_xTi_{1-x}O₂ catalysts (especially for Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂) were lower than those over Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A (Supplementary Fig. S6). Moreover, the E_a of the catalysts without H₂ pretreatment 114 115 (Supplementary Fig. S5b) were obviously higher than those of the catalysts with H_2 pretreatment 116 (Supplementary Fig. S6), suggesting that the H_2 reduction treatment could optimize the active sites and accelerate the CO oxidation process. Even compared with reported Pt-based catalysts¹⁸⁻⁴³, the 117 118Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ catalyst is much lower in E_a value, except in cases such as 1% wt Pt/CNT-600 and 0.70% wt Pt_{NPs}/TiO₂-x (Supplementary Fig. S7 and Supplementary Table S1). Through calculation, 119 the turnover frequency of CO conversion over Pt sites (TOF_{Pt}) of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ is 0.30 s⁻¹ at 120 100 °C (Fig. 1b), exhibiting a level comparable to those of the superior Pt-based catalysts¹⁸⁻⁴³ (Fig. 121 1221c and Supplementary Table S1). Meanwhile, the reaction order of CO and O₂ during CO catalytic 123 oxidation over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A were all slightly higher than 0 124 (Supplementary Fig. S8), indicating that CO oxidation over these three Pt-based catalysts follow 125 the Mars–van Krevelen (MvK) mechanism, which is typical for reducible oxide-based catalysts¹¹. 126Additionally, the partial orders of CO (or O₂) were approximately 0, highlighting the weakened kinetic relevance of CO (or O2) adsorption/activation over Pt/Sn0.2Ti0.8O2, Pt/TiO2-R and 127 Pt/TiO_2-A^{22} . 128

On top of the superior CO oxidation performance, the $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ catalyst shows a satisfactory sulfur resistance ability, giving 100% CO conversion in a span of 7 days even in the presence of 10% H₂O and 100 ppm SO₂ (Fig. 1d), demonstrating that $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ could operate reasonably well under complicated conditions harsher than those of USDRIVE's protocol¹⁶. One plausible explanation for the enhanced sulfur resistance is that the introduction of Sn doping results in a notable modification of the coordination environment of Ti within the support structure, thereby influences the interaction between the active Pt site and the support, leading to improved sulfur resistance⁴⁴. Moreover, harsh pre-treatment process (e.g., hydrothermal aging by 10% H_2O at 750 °C for 9 h) could not impair the performance of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$, which still exhibited CO conversion of ~100% at 200 °C (Supplementary Fig. S9). To sum up, by doping a proper content of Sn into the titania of TiO₂-supported Pt catalyst, excellent CO oxidation activity as well as sulfur resistance ability under complicated conditions could be acquired.

141 **2.2 Catalyst Structure**

142 A series of analyses were conducted to characterize the microstructure of $Pt/Sn_xTi_{1-x}O_2$, 143 Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A. The X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns (Supplementary Fig. S10) suggest 144 that the reflection peaks of $Pt/Sn_xTi_{1-x}O_2$ and Pt/TiO_2 -R catalysts could be assigned to rutile TiO_2 145(JCPDS: #21-1276), whereas those of Pt/TiO₂-A to anatase TiO₂ (JCPDS: #21-1272). No 146 reflections corresponded to Pt species could be observed plausibly due to the low content and well 147 dispersion of Pt species on the support. Further Rietveld refinements of the XRD patterns 148 (Supplementary Fig. S11 and Supplementary Table S2) suggest that the doped Sn was embedded 149 in the TiO_2 crystal structure with the substitution of Ti in an appropriate theoretical dosage. 150 Interestingly, despite different in phase structure, the Pt/Sn_xTi_{1-x}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-A catalysts are 151similar in texture parameters (Supplementary Fig. S12 and Supplementary Table S3).

152The microchemical state was studied by X-ray absorption near edge spectroscopy (XANES). As shown in Fig. 2a, the peaks at 530.6 eV and 533.3 eV of O K-edge XANES spectra could be 153assigned to the T_{2g} and E_g states of TiO₂^{45,46}. The O K-edge XANES spectra of Pt/TiO₂-R and 154 155Pt/TiO2-A correspond well to that of TiO2, whereas the O K-edge XANES spectrum of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ is more distorted¹, suggesting the doped Sn could significantly change the 156157electronic interactions between oxygen and metal. Fig. 2b gives the XANES spectra of Pt L₃-edge 158 over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A, and the reference spectra of Pt and PtO₂ are shown 159in Supplementary Fig. S13a. The Pt L₃-edge XANES spectra of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A are almost identical. However, the edge position and edge jump of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ are 160 161 both slightly lower than those of Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A, indicating a slightly more reduced Pt state for $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2^{47,48}$. A similar conclusion can be drawn from the data of k² weighted 162 163 Fourier transform-extended X-ray absorption fine structure (FT-EXAFS) shown in Fig. 2c and 164 Supplementary Fig. S13b, Supplementary Fig. S14 and Supplementary Table S4. All the samples

contained a strong peak at ~1.8 Å ascribable to Pt–O bond in $PtO_x^{48,49}$, among which that of 165 166 $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ is the shortest. In addition, the intensities of the Pt–O peaks of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A (Supplementary Fig. S14) are all much weaker than that of reference 167 168 PtO_2 (Supplementary Fig. S13b); with due consideration to the weaker absorption edge intensity 169 and shorter Pt-O bond length, it is deduced that the Pt valence of all the samples is lower than that 170 of PtO₂. It is noted that there is weak Pt–O–Sn bonding at ~3.0 Å of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ (Fig. 2c), 171suggesting interaction feasibility of Pt with the $Sn_xTi_{1,x}O_2$ support. The Pt–O environments of the 172 Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ were more disorder in comparison to that of Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A. Moreover, 173 although Pt-Pt bond was taken into consideration when fitting the data, the low Pt-Pt coordination 174 number (CN < 2, see Supplementary Table S4) for all the samples suggested the extremely low 175metallic nature of Pt presumably due to the moderate reduction conditions (300 °C and 5% H₂), 176 which are consistent with the results of XPS characterizations (vide infra).

177The scanning electron microscopic (SEM) images of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A 178 (Supplementary Fig. S15) display micro morphologies of particle accumulation. The average 179 particle size of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ is similar to that of Pt/TiO₂-A, but smaller than that of Pt/TiO₂-R. 180 High resolution transmission electron microscopic (HR-TEM) images (Supplementary Fig. S16) 181 reveal that the exposed crystal planes of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R are mainly the (110) planes 182 of rutile TiO_2 , whereas the major exposed planes of Pt/TiO₂-A are the (101) planes of anatase TiO_2 . 183 Energy dispersive X-ray spectrometry (EDX) mapping (Supplementary Fig. S17) was conducted 184 to investigate the element distribution of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R. Obviously, there is even dispersion of Sn, Ti and O elements, but Pt was hardly observed in the mapping due to its low 185 186 amount (0.5 wt%). To directly observe the microstate of loaded Pt species, we employed spherical 187 aberration-corrected scanning transmission electron microscopy (SAC-STEM). The high angle 188 annular dark field (HAADF) and the corresponding bright field (HAABF) images are shown in Fig. 2d and Supplementary Fig. S18. It should be noted that the Pt species in Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ are 189 190 hardly observed directly by the SAC-STEM images because of the closeness in atomic numbers 191 between Sn (50) and Pt (78). However, we could still observe the microstate of Pt species by 192 comparing the HAADF and HAABF images, which are circled in Fig. 2d and Supplementary Fig. 193 S18. The Pt species in all the samples were in the form of nano clusters, and the average diameter

194 of the Pt clusters in Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A was 1.2, 1.8 and 0.9 nm, respectively. It is generally accepted that the CO oxidation process over various reducible supported Pt 195 catalysts follows a MvK reaction mechanism⁵⁰. The CO adsorbed on Pt nano clusters reacts with 196 197 active lattice oxygen species (O_{latt}) of the supports, and there is no involvement of competitive adsorption between CO and $O_2^{19,25}$. Therefore, a transient CO oxidation study without continuous 198 199 O₂ supply was conducted at 100 °C; thus the amount of CO₂ generation could represent the 200 available amount of active O. Meanwhile, the variation of CO concentration during the study was 201 recorded. As shown in Fig. 2e, the amounts of CO₂ generation follow a decreasing order of 202 $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2 > Pt/TiO_2-A > Pt/TiO_2-R$, suggesting that $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ has the highest amount of 203 active Olatt. A similar order was observed when the study was conducted at 200 °C (see 204 Supplementary Fig. S19), suggesting that $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ is the highest in terms of the availability 205 of active O disregard of the variation of reaction temperature. Interestingly, the results of O_2 206 temperature-programmed desorption (O_2 -TPD) over the three catalysts reveal that the extents of 207 O_2 desorption follow a decreasing order of Pt/TiO₂-A > Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ > Pt/TiO₂-R (Fig. 2f), 208 implying that Pt/TiO₂-A has the highest amount of active oxygen. The implication differs from 209 that of transient CO oxidation study (Fig. 2e). To explain the inconsistency, it is assumed that there 210 was in situ generation of active O species when Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ was exposed to CO, and these in 211 situ generated O species upon CO introduction cannot be measured by O_2 -TPD study. Therefore, a 212 series of *in situ* studies were performed to verify this assumption.

213 **2.2 Existence of reverse O spillover**

214 In situ near-ambient pressure X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (NAP-XPS) is an effective 215 technique to investigate the chemical behavior of catalyst surfaces. The in situ NAP-XPS Pt 4f spectra were recorded at 100 °C of the reduced samples and after it were exposed to O₂, CO+O₂, 216 217and CO in turn. It should be noted that the Ti 3s satellite (at ~75 eV) overlaps with the Pt 4f peaks, 218 causing complication in the deconvolution of the Pt 4f profiles in cases such as $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$, Pt/TiO₂-R, and Pt/TiO₂-A catalysts^{48,51}. Therefore, the peak area ratio of Pt $4f_{5/2}$ to $4f_{7/2}$ was strictly 219 fixed as 3 : 4, and the full width of half maximum (FWHM) of all the Pt^{2+} and Pt^{4+} peaks was set 220 to be identical during the deconvolution process. In Fig. 3, the peaks at ~72.2 eV and ~74.8 eV 221 could be assigned to $4f_{7/2}$ and $4f_{5/2}$ signals of Pt²⁺ species, whereas the peaks at ~74.4 eV and ~77.8 222

eV to $4f_{7/2}$ and $4f_{5/2}$ signals of Pt⁴⁺ species, respectively⁴⁸. There was no detection of peaks 223 attributable to metallic Pt species in the entire in situ NAP-XPS study. After moderate H₂ 224 pretreatment, only Pt²⁺ species could be observed (Fig. 3a), indicating that the Pt species on the 225 surface of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ was mainly PtO. Moreover, no Pt⁴⁺ species could be observed after 226 further O₂ treatment, suggesting that the PtO was stable upon the O₂ exposure. However, there 227 was the generation of Pt^{4+} species upon the introduction of CO+O₂ over $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$, and the 228 Pt⁴⁺ species existed only in the presence of CO. It should be emphasized that CO is a reducing gas, 229 and could be oxidized to CO_2 by the O_{tatt} of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ without the introduction of gaseous O_2 230 (see Fig. 2e). In Fig. 3a, the oxidation of Pt^{2+} to Pt^{4+} occurred concurrently with CO oxidation, 231 implying that there was first the transfer of O_{latt} species to Pt sites, and then the oxidation of CO to 232 233CO2 by the Olatt species at the Pt sites. However, when Olatt species transferred to Pt sites, the 234decrease of valence state of Ti and Sn species was hardly observed by the in situ NAP-XPS 235 technique due to the content difference of about 2 orders of magnitude between Pt and carrier elements (Ti, Sn and O) (see Supplementary Note 3). As for Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A, only Pt²⁺ 236 237 species could be observed upon all the exposures (Fig. 3b and c), suggesting the absence of 238 reverse O spillover (ROS) over Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A. The overall results evidence that the 239 doped Sn promoted the migration of Olatt in the TiO2 support, leading to the occurrence of the 240 ROS process upon CO introduction.

241 Raman spectra were also in situ recorded at 100 °C after the reduced catalysts were exposed to 242 O₂, CO+O₂, and CO in turn. As shown in Fig. 3d and e, the Raman spectra of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R both exhibit three peaks at ~604 , ~422 and ~251 cm⁻¹, ascribable to the A_{1g} and E_{g} 243 vibration modes and the second-order effect (SOE) of rutile TiO₂, respectively⁵². Interestingly, the 244 A_{1g} and E_g vibration modes of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ shift to lower wavenumbers after exposure to 245CO+O₂, and more obviously with the sole introduction of CO. The A_{Ig} vibration mode is derived 246 247 from the symmetric stretching of O-Ti(Sn)-O in the (110), (110) and (001) plane, and the E_g 248 vibration mode represents asymmetric bending of O-Ti(Sn)-O in the (110) plane. The shifts to 249 lower wavenumbers of A_{1g} and E_g vibration modes indicate weakened bond strength of 250 O-Ti(Sn)- O^{52} , implying higher mobility of O_{latt} in TiO₂, thereby contributing to the ROS during 251 CO oxidation on the surface of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ catalyst. In the cases of Pt/TiO₂-R, there was no

252 obvious change of peak positions with the introduction of CO, indicating that there is no 253 Raman-visible change of O-Ti-O bond strength. As for Pt/TiO₂-A (Fig. 3f), the peaks at 636, 513 254 and 396 cm⁻¹ were assigned to the vibration modes of E_g , A_{1g}/B_{1g} doublet and B_{1g} , respectively⁵³. 255 The signal positions of these vibration modes also remain unchanged when Pt/TiO₂-A was 256 exposed to CO, indicating that the O-Ti-O bond strength also kept unchanged during the CO 257 oxidation reaction at 100 °C.

258Spectra of diffuse reflectance infrared Fourier transform spectroscopy (DRIFTS) were in situ 259 recorded at 30-100 °C after having the Pt-based catalysts exposed to CO+O₂ (Fig. 4). There was the appearance of three peaks at 2172, 2117, and ~2065 cm^{-1} after the exposure. The peaks at 2172 260 cm⁻¹ and 2117 cm⁻¹ were assigned to gaseous and weakly adsorbed CO, and the peaks at ~2065 261 cm⁻¹ to adsorbed CO on semi-oxidized Pt species $(Pt^{\delta_+}-CO)^{11,43,54,55}$, which are sensitive to factors 262 263 such as Pt dispersion, Pt microstructure (i.e., steps, crystal planes and so on) and charge transfer nearby the Pt sites⁴⁸. At higher temperature, more Pt sites would participate in the reaction cycle of 264 265 CO catalytic oxidation. Thus, the average valence state of Pt should decrease with increasing reaction temperature, leading to deviation of $Pt^{\delta+}$ -CO infrared peak. As shown in Fig. 4a–c, when 266 the reaction temperature was increased from 30 to 100 °C, the peaks of $Pt^{\delta+}$ -CO over Pt/TiO_2 -R 267 268 and Pt/TiO2-A shifted to lower wavenumbers, while an opposite trend was observed over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, which could be caused by ROS. To verify this conception, in situ NAP-XPS 269 270 spectra were acquired under the same reaction conditions of the DRIFTS experiments. As shown in Fig. 4d–f, only $Pt/Sn_0 Ti_0 O_2$ possessed the Pt^{4+} species after the introduction of CO+O₂, and 271the Pt⁴⁺ content increased with the increase of reaction temperature, suggesting that ROS was 272 more significant with the increase of CO oxidation rate over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂. 273

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2.4 The ROS investigated by AIMD

The configurations of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ and Pt/TiO_2 -R employed in Density Functional Theory (DFT) simulation were obtained from an *ab initio* molecular dynamics (AIMD) simulation combined with geometrical optimization (see Supplementary Note 4, Supplementary Figs. S20–21, and Supplementary Table S5). Then the charge density difference study was performed on $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ and Pt/TiO_2 -R with the loading of Pt_4O_4 clusters (Supplementary Figs. S22) and the adsorption of CO (Fig. 5a and b). The loading of Pt_4O_4 clusters led to an increase of charge 281 density of O in Sn-O-Ti around Pt, which was further enhanced after the subsequent adsorption of 282 CO over $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ (Fig. 5a and Supplementary Fig. S22a). The increase of charge density of 283 O suggests an increase of O mobility, benefiting the ROS in $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ during CO oxidation 284 reaction. As for Pt/TiO_2 -R, there is no obvious change of "O" charge density in the Ti-O-Ti around 285 Pt upon the loading of Pt_4O_4 clusters as well as upon the adsorption of CO (Fig. 5b and 286 Supplementary Fig. S22b).

287 An AIMD simulation was conducted to further illustrate the ROS process. A CO molecule was 288 adsorbed on the Pt sites of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R. Because the relatively short time scale of 289 AIMD (20 ps in this study), the sampling of AIMD is only suitable to fast events of low-energy 290 barrier, and the observation of slow processes is excluded. Therefore, raising the simulation 291 temperature can result in quick exploration of a large number of phase spaces, and thus the AIMD 292 simulation temperature was performed at 700 K (427 °C), which is slightly lower than the synthesis temperature of SnTiO₂ support⁵⁶. Fig. 5c and d show the variation of atomic distance 293 294 between Ti and O (Ti-O), Sn and O (Sn-O), and Pt and O (Pt-O) as a function of simulation time 295 over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R. The atomic distance of Ti-O, Sn-O and Pt-O stays at 2~3 Å 296 during the first 6 ps of AIMD simulation (Fig. 5c), indicating that the O in Sn-O-Ti kept bonding 297 with the Pt of Pt₄O₄ clusters. Then, the atomic distance of Ti-O and Sn-O quickly increased at 6-9 298 ps, while the atomic distance of Pt-O remained unchanged. The result indicates cleavage of Ti-O 299 and Sn-O bonds in Sn-O-Ti, subsequently leading to the reverse flow of O towards the Pt sites. 300 Finally, such structure remained stable to the end of the AIMD simulation. The whole AIMD 301 simulation process of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ can be directly seen in the Supplementary Movie 1, which 302 shows that the ROS only occurred in the Pt site bonded with CO, whereas the other Pt sites stayed 303 intact. This explains why the ROS process only occurred when CO was introduced, which is in 304 accordance with the results of in situ NAP-XPS and transient CO oxidation studies (Fig. 2e and Fig. 3a). As for Pt/TiO2-R (Fig. 5d and Supplementary Movie 2), the atomic distance of Pt-O 305 quickly increased in the first 6 ps, and then stayed at 3~4 Å to the end of AIMD simulation, 306 307 whereas the atomic distances of the two Ti-O bonds in Ti-O-Ti remained unchanged during the 308 whole AIMD simulation. This means cleavage of Pt-O bond, while the Ti-O-Ti kept intact, 309 indicating that there was no occurrence of ROS over Pt/TiO₂-R.

310 The cycles of complete CO oxidation reaction over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R were 311 simulated by Vienna Ab-initio Simulation Package (VASP), and the oxidation routes were based 312 on the AIMD simulation, which were named as CO oxidation by ROS (configurations I-WIIIn Fig. 313 5e) and CO oxidation by O_{latt} (configurations i-vii in Fig. 5e). Additionally, the route of CO 314 oxidation by Olatt over Pt/Sn0.2Ti0.8O2 was presented as a reference. It should be noted that these 315reaction routes followed the MvK mechanism, and other reaction mechanisms were not 316 considered because O2 could not be adsorbed at or around the Pt clusters of Pt/Sn0.2Ti0.8O2 and 317 Pt/TiO2-R (Supplementary Fig. S23). As for the route of CO oxidation by Olatt, CO was first 318 adsorbed on the Pt site ($i \rightarrow ii$). Then, CO was oxidized by the O_{latt} near Pt to generate adsorbed 319 CO_2 (ii \rightarrow ts-1 \rightarrow iii). With the subsequent desorption of surface CO_2 , an oxygen vacancy (V₀) was 320 left on the surface (iii \rightarrow iv). The V₀ was filled by an oxygen molecule (iv \rightarrow v). Another CO 321 molecule was adsorbed on the Pt site near the adsorbed O_2 (v \rightarrow vi), and subsequently oxidized by 322 the O atom of O₂ to generate surface CO₂ (vi \rightarrow ts-2 \rightarrow vii). Finally, the surface CO₂ was released, 323 and the catalyst surface was restored to its original state ($vii \rightarrow i$). The energy barrier of CO 324 oxidation by O_{latt} over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ was 0.90 eV, which was slightly higher than that over Pt/TiO₂-R (0.84 eV). Such result was inconsistent with the activity results (Fig. 1a and b), 325 326 indicating that CO should be oxidized following a different reaction route over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂. As 327 for the route of CO oxidation by the O comes from the ROS process, CO was also adsorbed on the 328 Pt site ($I \rightarrow II$). Then, the Sn-O and Ti-O bonds in Sn-O-Ti near the Pt-CO site were broken, and 329 the O atom migrated to the Pt clusters ($I \rightarrow TS-1 \rightarrow II$, i.e. ROS process) and left an V_O next to Sn 330 and Ti on the support. Then the adsorbed CO was oxidized by the O in Pt cluster to generate 331 adsorbed CO_2 (III \rightarrow TS-2 \rightarrow IV). With the desorption of CO_2 , the residual V_0 next to Pt was filled 332 by an O atom transferred through ROS ($IV \rightarrow V$). The O atom transferred through ROS could 333 oxidize CO following another reaction cycle. The V_0 next to Sn and Ti on the support was filled by an O_2 molecule ($V \rightarrow VI$), and the subsequent reaction route ($VI \rightarrow VI \rightarrow TS - 3 \rightarrow VI \rightarrow I$) was the 334 335 same as that of CO oxidation by O_{latt} (v \rightarrow vi \rightarrow ts-2 \rightarrow vii \rightarrow i). The results of this DFT simulation 336 show that the energy barrier of CO oxidation by ROS over $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ was 0.69 eV, which was 337 lower than that of CO oxidation by Olatt (0.90 eV), suggesting that CO oxidation by the O atom 338 transferred through ROS is probably more preferred over $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$. In addition, the energy

barrier of CO oxidation by ROS over $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ (0.69 eV) was lower than that of CO oxidation by O_{latt} over Pt/TiO_2 -R (0.84 eV), indicating that CO was more easily oxidized by Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2, which was in accord with the activity results (Fig. 1a and b).

342 3. Discussion

In this study, Sn was doped into TiO_2 to induce ROS in Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂. With the Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A catalysts as references, the Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ catalyst exhibited much higher CO catalytic oxidation activity, demonstrating that low-temperature CO oxidation on Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ was energetically more favorable via the ROS route.

347 The reaction orders of CO and O₂ over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A were all slightly higher than 0, which pointed to the MvK mechanism, typical of catalysts based on 348 349 reducible oxides. This result was further verified by DFT simulation, which suggests that O₂ could 350 not be directly adsorbed at or around the Pt clusters of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R. Accordingly, 351 the reactivity of the active lattice oxygen was studied by a transient CO oxidation without the 352 presence of gaseous O_2 . The results reveal that $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ contained higher amount of active 353 lattice oxygen, but it cannot be characterized by O2-TPD. Therefore, the idea of "in situ generation 354 of active O species upon CO introduction" over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ was conceived.

The assumption of CO-induced ROS was systematically investigated by a series of in situ 355 356 studies. The *in situ* NAP-XPS spectra suggest that Pt^{2+} was the major Pt species of $Pt/Sn_0 _2Ti_{0.8}O_2$, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A after the moderate reduction, but only on Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ catalyst that the 357 generation of Pt⁴⁺ species was observed when it was exposed to CO or CO+O₂. Three possibilities 358 may lead to the formation of Pt^{4+} on $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$: (i) Pt^{2+} captures gaseous O_2 thus being 359 oxidized into Pt^{4+} ; (ii) Pt^{2+} donates electron to the support, therefore resulting in Pt^{4+} formation; 360 (iii) lattice O in the support migrates to the vicinity of Pt²⁺ (i.e. the ROS process), causing the 361 oxidation of Pt²⁺ to Pt⁴⁺. In situ NAP-XPS results (Fig. 3a) indicate that Pt⁴⁺ was not observed 362 363 when Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ was exposed to O₂ alone, eliminating the first possibility. Regarding the 364 second possibility, it is well-known that Pt clusters supported on stoichiometric TiO₂ donate electrons to the support, and the Pt clusters draw electrons from the reduced TiO₂. Therefore, 365 366 when reducing gas CO is introduced, Pt should receive electrons from the support, resulting in 367 lower Pt valence. However, NAP-XPS (Fig. 3a) shows that when reducing gas CO was introduced,

 Pt^{2+} on the surface of $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$ is oxidized to Pt^{4+} , indicating that electron transfer between 368 369 Pt and the support cannot result in the Pt⁴⁺ formation. Therefore, the ROS process induced by CO adsorption should be the cause of the oxidation of Pt²⁺ to Pt⁴⁺. In situ Raman studies showed that 370 371 there was weakening of O-Ti(Sn)-O bond strength, demonstrating higher mobility of surface O_{latt} 372 when CO was introduced onto $Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O_2$. The *in situ* DRIFTS spectra indicated that the 373 average valence state of Pt over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ obviously increases with rising reaction 374 temperature. The result was further verified by the in situ acquired NAP-XPS spectra conducted 375 under reaction conditions. Such results reveal that ROS over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ became more 376 significant with increasing CO oxidation rate. Overall, the doped Sn promoted the mobilities of 377 Otatt in support, facilitating the ROS process upon CO introduction. This conclusion substantiates 378 the "*in situ* generation of active O species" assumption over the $Pt/Sn_0 2Ti_{0.8}O_2$ catalyst.

379 The fundamental details of ROS process were further investigated by DFT simulations. 380 Structure optimization suggests that the Pt_4O_4 clusters tended to connect with Sn-O-Ti through the 381 O site in Sn-O-Ti. The charge density of O in these Sn-O-Ti bonds increased after the loading of 382 Pt₄O₄ clusters as well as the subsequent adsorption of CO. We speculated that the increased charge 383 density promoted the mobility of the O in Sn-O-Ti, resulting in the occurrence of ROS in 384 Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ during CO oxidation reaction. Reaction cycle simulations show that over $Pt/Sn_0 Ti_{0.8}O_2$, the energy barrier of CO oxidation directly by lattice O was higher than that by the 385 386 O species derived from the ROS process, suggesting that the latter is more preferred for CO 387 oxidation over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ as depicted in Fig. 6. A detailed visible depiction of the ROS process 388 can be found in the Supplementary Movies 1 and 2 of AIMD simulations.

389 Overall, we activated the low temperature reverse oxygen spillover on Titania-supported 390 Platinum catalyst by introducing Sn into TiO₂ support, and further demonstrated the existence and 391 mechanistic route of reverse oxygen spillover in low-temperature CO oxidation by a combination 392 of experimental and theoretical studies. The revealed interfacial dynamics in reverse oxygen 393 spillover fills the gaps of interfacial chemistry of adsorbates and/or intermediate transport through 394 metal-support interfaces, and allows deeper fundamental understanding of catalytic reactions 395 involving oxygen, and hence improvement of catalyst design for technologically relevant redox 396 reactions. We speculate the strategy to improve the oxygen mobility of support, such as the 397 construction of asymmetric oxygens (M_1-O-M_2) or doping secondary metals with weak M-O bond, 398 probably is particularly effective to promote ROS. Looking forward, we anticipate that the 399 reactant-adsorption-triggered characteristics of oxygen spillover will arouse further investigations 400 on the mechanistic effect of microstructures (such as size of active sites, nature of supports, degree 401 of O charging) and reactants (such as hydrocarbons, H₂O and SO₂), finding more potential 402 applications in thermo-, photo- and electro-catalysis.

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404 Methods

405 Synthesis of materials

406 The $Sn_rTi_{1,r}O_2$ supports (where x represents the molar ratio of Sn/(Sn+Ti)) were synthesized by a co-precipitation method using SnCl₄·5H₂O and Ti(SO₄)₂ as precursors⁵⁷. First, SnCl₄·5H₂O and 407 408 $Ti(SO_4)_2$ were dissolved in deionized water. Then, standard ammonia solution (25 wt%) was 409 added into the solution until pH 10 to induce the co-precipitation of Sn and Ti ions. The 410 precipitates were filtered out and washed by deionized water until neutral. The obtained materials 411 were dried at 105 °C for 12 h and subsequently calcined at 500 °C for 4 h in air with a heating rate 412 of 2 °C/min. The reference anatase TiO₂ was prepared by the same method but without SnCl₄·5H₂O, and was denoted as TiO₂-A due to its anatase crystallite. A rutile TiO₂ (Aladdin, 413 414 99.99%) was directly employed as another reference sample, and was denoted as TiO_2 -R.

All the $Pt/Sn_xTi_{1-x}O_2$ and Pt/TiO_2 catalysts were prepared by the impregnation method using platinum nitrate ($Pt(NO_3)_2$) solution as metal source. First, commercial solution of $Pt(NO_3)_2$ (Aladdin, 18.02% of Pt) was diluted to 0.01g Pt/mL. Then 1.0 mL of the diluted $Pt(NO_3)_2$ solution was added into 2 g of support (TiO_2 or $Sn_xTi_{1-x}O_2$) with vigorous stirring at room temperature. The obtained samples of 0.5 wt% Pt loading were dried at 105 °C for 12 h, and then calcined at 500 °C for 1 h in air with a heating rate of 2 °C/min. Finally, the $Pt/Sn_xTi_{1-x}O_2$ and Pt/TiO_2 catalysts were treated in 5% H₂/N₂ at 300 °C for 1 h.

422 **CO oxidation performance**

423 The performance of catalysts (100 mg, 40–60 mesh) in CO oxidation was evaluated using a 424 fixed-bed quartz micro-reactor. The typical reaction condition was as follows: 1% CO, 1% O_2 , and 425 N_2 as balance gas with a total flow rate of 100 mL·min⁻¹, corresponding to a gas hourly space 426 velocity (GHSV) of 60 000 mL g_{cat}^{-1} h⁻¹. The concentrations of CO and CO₂ in the inlet and outlet 427 streams were measured by an infrared gas analyzer (Gasmet Dx-4000). The CO conversion was 428 calculated based on the following equation:

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$$X_{co} = \frac{C_{co_{in}} - C_{co_{int}}}{C_{co_{in}}} \times 100\%$$
(1)

430 where, X_{CO} is CO conversion, C_{COin} and C_{COout} are the concentrations of CO in the inlet and outlet. 431 The specific reaction rates and TOF of CO oxidation at different temperatures over the catalysts 432 were measured under different conditions, keeping CO conversion below 20% by varying the 433 GHSV (to suppress the influence of inner and external diffusion).

434 The reaction rate k (μ mol g⁻¹ s⁻¹) can be calculated by assuming ideal gas behavior:

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$$k = \frac{X_{co} \cdot F_{co}}{W} \times 100\%$$
(2)

436 where, X_{CO} is CO conversion, F_{CO} (µmol s⁻¹) is molar gas flow rate of CO, and W (g) is the mass 437 of catalyst in the fixed-bed reactor.

438 The catalytic velocities were determined by a turnover frequency of CO conversion over Pt sites 439 (TOF_{Pt} (s⁻¹)), which can be obtained by the following equation:

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$$T O F_{P_t} = \frac{X_{co} \cdot F_{co}}{N_{P_t}} \times 100\%$$
(3)

441 where, X_{CO} is CO conversion (< 20%), F_{CO} (µmol s⁻¹) is molar gas flow rate of CO, and N_{Pt} (µmol) 442 is the total number of Pt atoms on the catalyst. It should be noted that all the catalysts used in this 443 study contained 0.5 wt% Pt. Moreover, all Pt atoms were considered when calculating TOF_{Pt} to 444 enable a fair comparison of catalyst activity under the same Pt usage.

445 The apparent activation energies (E_a (kJ mol⁻¹)) over the catalysts were calculated at CO 446 conversion lower than 20% according to the Arrhenius equation.

447 Characterization

448 **Transient CO oxidation** was tested in a fixed-bed quartz micro-reactor. The reduced catalysts 449 were loaded into the reactor and heated to the reaction temperature under N₂ without any further 450 pretreatment. The reaction temperature was fixed at 100 or 200 °C with a CO concentration of 1% 451 and N₂ as the balance gas, without the supply of O₂. The gas flow rate was set to 100 mL·min⁻¹ 452 with a GHSV of 60,000 mL g_{cat}⁻¹ h⁻¹. The infrared gas analyzer (Gasmet Dx-4000) was utilized to 453 measure the concentrations of CO and CO_2 in both the inlet and outlet streams.

 N_2 physisorption was measured at liquid nitrogen temperature by a micromeritics ASAP 2460 instrument in the static mode. Before measurement, the catalysts were degassed at 250 °C for 4 h. The specific surface area was calculated by the Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) equation. The pore volumes and average pore diameters were determined using the Barrett-Joyner-Halenda (BJH) method based on the N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherms.

459 **XRD** patterns were recorded over D8 Advacne X-ray diffractometer (Bruker AXS company) 460 using Cu K_{α} radiation. The pattern was recorded in the 20 range of 5–90° with a speed of 1.5°/min 461 and a step size of 0.02°. The operating voltage and current was 40 kV and 40 mA, respectively. 462 Rietveld refinements of all XRD patterns were performed by the GSAS software package.

463 O_2 -TPD study was conducted on a chemisorption analyzer (Micromeritics, AutoChem 2920 464 ThermoStar). In a quartz reactor, the catalyst sample was pretreated at 300 °C in 2% O_2 /He for 1 h. 465 Then, the catalyst was cooled to 50 °C in a flow of 2% O_2 /He for 30 min. Then the weakly 466 adsorbed O species were purged by pure He for 30 min, and the temperature was subsequently 467 increased to 800 °C with continuous introduction of He at a rate of 10 °C min⁻¹. The desorption of 468 O_2 was recorded using a thermal conductivity detector (TCD).

SEM and TEM images were observed by ZEISS GEMINISEM 500 electron field emission
scanning electron microscope at 30 kV, and JEM 2100F microscope operating at 200 kV,
respectively.

472 In situ NAP-XPS spectra were recorded by a SPECS-AU190069 instrument. The instrument 473 was equipped with an advanced multi-stage differential pumping system and static voltage lens, which can be used in ultra-high vacuum $(1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mbar})$ with gases of 0–5 mbar. All spectra were 474 475 collected by using monochromatized Al K α irradiation (1486.6 eV), which was generated by 50 W 476 of excitation source power in an Al anode (SPECS XR-50). The generated X-ray spot was about 477 0.3 mm in diameter, close to the aperture of the nozzle. The reaction pressure was kept at 1 mbar 478 by a pressure reducing valve. The powder sample was pressed into a smooth sheet, and was fixed 479 on a special sample table that can be heated during reaction. An electron flood gun was equipped 480 to compensate the charging of catalysts during measurements.

481 In situ DRIFTS study was carried out on a Nicolet iS50 FTIR spectrometer equipped with a

482 DRIFTS cell and a highly sensitive MCT detector. The DRIFTS spectra were collected by 483 accumulating 64 scans with a spectral resolution of 4 cm⁻¹. To exclude the influence of moisture 484 and impurities, the catalyst was pretreated at 300 °C in 5%H₂/He for 1 h before each test, then 485 purged with pure He for 1 h. After the pretreatment, the catalyst was cooled to a designated 486 temperature. The spectrum was collected after the introduction of 1% CO and 1% O₂ with N₂ 487 balance for 30 min.

In situ Raman study was conducted by a Horiba LabRAM HR Evolution instrument equipped with 532 nm laser source (Ventus LP 532), Synapse Charge Coupled Device (CCD) detector, and *in situ* cell reactor (Linkam CCR1000). The catalyst was pretreated at 300 °C in 5%H₂/N₂ for 1 h before each test, then purged with pure N₂ for 1 h. After the pretreatment, the catalyst was cooled to 100 °C for spectrum collection. The Raman spectra were collected by accumulating 8 scans with acquisition time of 6 s. Then, 1% CO and/or 1% O₂ with N₂ balance were introduced, and the corresponding Raman spectra were recorded after 30 min of reaction.

495 SAC-STEM image was observed by using a JEM ARM200F transmission electron microscope
 496 operating at 200 kV, which was equipped with a probe corrector, a high-angle annular dark-field
 497 detector, and a EDX detector.

498 XANES and EXAFS were conducted at Singapore Synchrotron Light Sources. The radiation
 499 was monochromatized by a Si (111) double crystal monochromator, and the results were processed
 500 by employing the Athena software.

501 **DFT simulation**

502 The slab models were designed rationally. First, because the HR-TEM images indicate that the 503 (110) plane of rutile was the main exposed plane of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R, we employed 504 the (110) plane of rutile TiO₂ as substrate with a [5×3] supercell and three stoichiometric TiO₂ layers (approximately 15 Å×20 Å×9 Å). Second, since the SAC-STEM images and XPS results 505 506 suggest that the Pt species on the support was in the form of PtO nano clusters, a Pt_4O_4 cluster was 507 placed on this (110) plane of rutile TiO₂ to simulate the configuration of Pt/TiO₂-R. Then, 20% of 508 Ti atoms in the configuration of Pt/TiO₂-R was randomly replaced by Sn atoms to simulate the 509 configuration of $Pt/Sn_0 _2Ti_{0.8}O_2$. All these slab models were separated by a vacuum of 15 Å. 510 AIMD simulation was performed using the CP2K package. The generalized-gradient 511 approximation (GGA) with spin-polarized Perdew-Burke-Ernzerh (PBE) functional was used to 512 describe the exchange-correlation energy. A double-z Gaussian basis sets with an auxiliary plane 513wave basis set (cutoff energy of 500 Rydberg) was used to expand the wavefunctions. All AIMD 514 simulations were conducted by sampling the canonical ensemble with Nose-Hoover thermostats 515 and a time step of 1 fs. Because of the relatively short time scale of AIMD (10–20 ps in this study), 516the sampling of AIMD was only applied to extremely fast events of low energy barrier, and the 517 observation of slow processes was excluded. Hence a large number of phase spaces could be explored quickly by enhancing the simulation temperature, and thus the AIMD simulation 518 519 temperature was set at 700 K, slightly lower than the temperature adopted for the calcination of the samples 56 . The configurations of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R first underwent an AIMD 520 521 simulation of 10 ps to ensure the stabilization of these configurations. Then, the configurations at 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 ps of AIMD simulation were set as initial structure and optimized by VASP to 522 523 obtain the most stable configurations of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R. Finally, a CO molecule was 524 adsorbed on the configurations of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R to undergo an AIMD simulation of 525 20 ps to investigate the reverse O spillover during CO oxidation reaction.

526 The geometrical optimization and transition state (TS) retrievals were performed by VASP with 527 projected augmented wave (PAW). The PBE functional was used in the GGA with the Hubbard model, which was expanded on a plane wave basis with 400 eV of kinetic cutoff energy. The U_{eff} 528 (i.e., U-J) of Ti⁵⁸, Sn⁵⁹, and Pt⁶⁰⁻⁶² were set at 4.5, 5.0, and 9.0 eV, respectively. The gamma point 529 530 (i.e., $1 \times 1 \times 1$) of the K-point was employed due to the large sizes of these configurations. The SCF tolerance and maximum atomic force were set at 10⁻⁶ eV and 0.02 eV/Å during geometrical 531532 optimization. The transition state was roughly estimated by the CI-NEB (climbing the 533 image-nudged elastic band) method. Then the roughly converged transition state was precisely 534 optimized by the Dimer method.

535 **Data availability**

536 The data that support the findings of this study are included in the published article (and its 537 Supplementary Information) or available from the corresponding author upon reasonable request.

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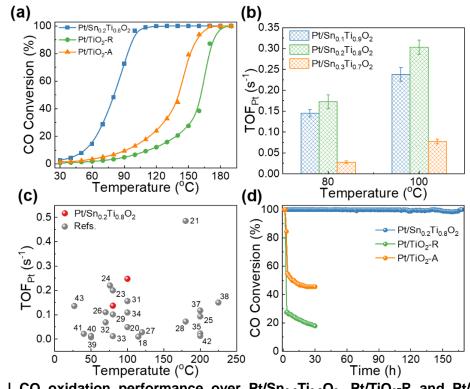
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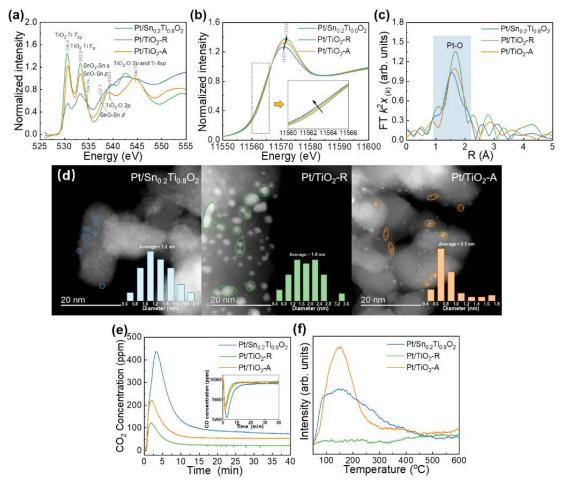
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 $\begin{array}{c} 694 \\ 695 \end{array}$ Fig. 1 | CO oxidation performance over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A pretreated with 5% H₂ at 300 °C for 1 hour. a, CO conversion plots under steady-state 696 feed of "1% CO, 1% O₂, N₂ balance" and GHSV of 60 000 ml $\cdot g_{cat}^{-1} \cdot h^{-1}$. **b**, Turnover 697 frequencies of CO oxidation over Pt sites (TOF_{Pt}) measured at 80 °C and 100 °C with CO 698 699 conversion below 20%. The error bars represent standard deviations. c, Comparison of 700 TOF_{Pt} between Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and the Pt-based catalysts in reported references. d, Long 701term test of sulfur resistance in CO oxidation. Reaction conditions: reaction feed of 1% CO, 1% O₂, 10% H₂O, 100 ppm SO₂, N₂ balance; GHSV of 60 000 ml \cdot g_{cat}⁻¹·h⁻¹; and reaction 702 703 temperature of 240 °C.

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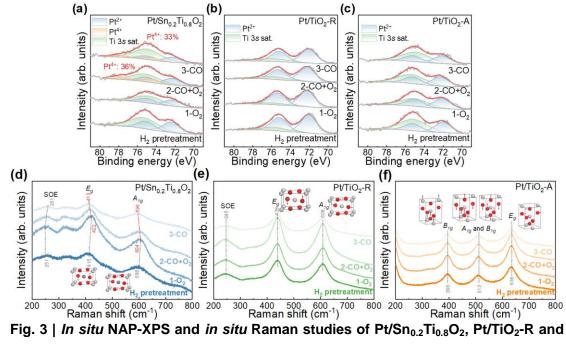


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Fig. 2 | Static characterization of Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, Pt/TiO₂-R and Pt/TiO₂-A pretreated

707with 5% H2 at 300 °C. a, XANES spectra of O K-edge. b, XANES spectra of Pt L3-edge. c,708Magnitude component of the k^2 weighted FT-EXAFS data of Pt L3-edge. d, SAC-STEM709HAADF images; inset shows the particle size distribution of Pt clusters. e, CO2 generation710and corresponding CO concentration (inset) as a function of time during the transient CO711oxidation without O2 supply (1% CO/N2) at 100 °C. f, O2-TPD profiles.

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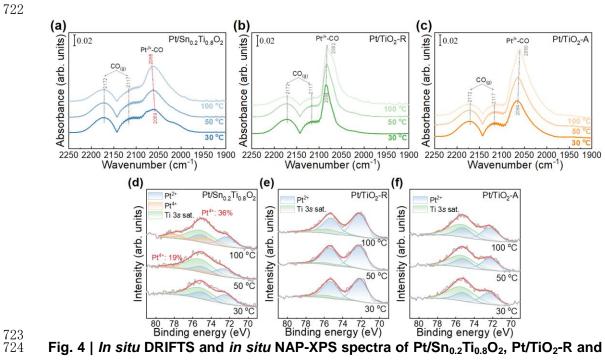
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at 100 °C after (**a**) Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, (**b**) Pt/TiO₂-R and (**c**) Pt/TiO₂-A was exposed to 1 mbar of O₂, 0.5 mbar of CO with 0.5 mbar of O₂, and 1 mbar of CO in turn. **d–f**, *In situ* Raman spectra recorded at 100 °C after (**d**) Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, (**e**) Pt/TiO₂-R and (**f**) Pt/TiO₂-A was exposed to 1% O₂, 1% CO + 1% O₂, and 1% CO in turn under ambient pressure. The term

720 SOE means the second-order effect.

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Pt/TiO₂-A recorded at 30–100 °C after exposure to CO+O₂. a–c, *In situ* DRIFTS spectra recorded at 30–100 °C after (a) Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, (b) Pt/TiO₂-R and (c) Pt/TiO₂-A was exposed to 1% CO + 1% O₂ at a designated temperature under ambient pressure. d–f, *In situ* NAP-XPS Pt 4*f* spectra recorded at 30–100 °C after (d) Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, (e) Pt/TiO₂-R and (f) Pt/TiO₂-A was exposed to 0.5 mbar of CO with 0.5 mbar of O₂ at a designated temperature.

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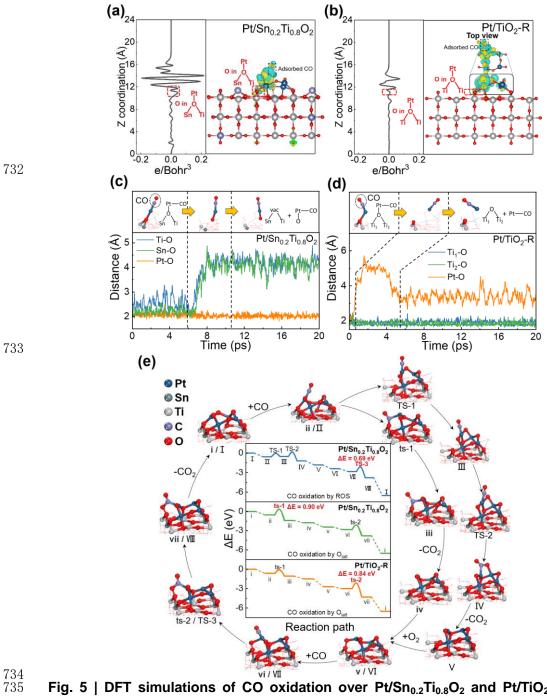
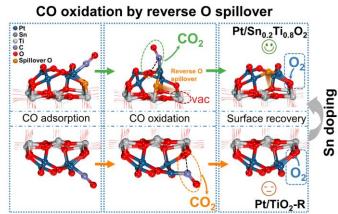


Fig. 5 | DFT simulations of CO oxidation over Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and Pt/TiO₂-R. a–b, Charge density difference and the corresponding planar-average charge density analyses of CO adsorption on (a) Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂, and (b) Pt/TiO₂-R. The charge density difference was calculated by the equation $\Delta \rho = \rho_{AB}-\rho_{A}-\rho_{B}$, where A represents CO, and B represents Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ (a) or Pt/TiO₂-R (b) (Yellow represents increase of electron density, and blue represents decrease of electron density). **c–d**, Atomic distance of Ti-O, Sn-O and Pt-O as a function of simulated time during AIMD simulation over (**c**) Pt/Sn_{0.2}Ti_{0.8}O₂ and (**d**)

- 742 Pt/TiO₂-R. **e**, Energy profiles and configurations of CO oxidation reaction following the
- 743 pathway involving ROS (I-VIII) and that involving O_{latt} (i-vii).

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- 745 746 Fig. 6 | Schematic of CO oxidation on Pt/TiO₂ catalysts with and without reverse
- 747 oxygen spillover. The upper part show CO is oxidized by reverse spillover O after Sn
- doping, and the lower part show CO is oxidized by lattice O without Sn doping. 748