Study on the catalytic performance of propane steam reforming with $La_{1-x}Sr_xCr_{1-y}M_yO_{3-\delta}$ (M = Ni, Fe)

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La1-xSrxCr1-yMyO3- δ (M = Ni, Fe) catalysts were synthesized by the sol-gel method. The catalysts were characterized by XRD, SEM, BET and TEM. The performance of catalytic activity in steam reforming of propane at temperature range $600 \sim 800$ °C was investigated. The conductivity was measured by the four terminal d.c method in air, 5% H2/N2 and 5% C3H8/N2.

The reaction results were obtained using La1-xSrxCr1-yMyO3- δ (M = Ni, Fe) catalysts under S/C=1.7 and S/C=1 reaction conditions, respectively. In both cases, propane conversion increased with an increase in the amount of added Sr until x=0.3 in the A-site and Ni and Fe until y=0.5 in the B-site. A similar trend was observed for hydrogen yield. Consequently, La0.7Sr0.3Cr0.5Ni0.5O3 catalyst exhibited the best performance under Ni-substitution of which propane conversion was 100 % and hydrogen yield was 95.9 % at 800 °C in the S/C=1.7 condition. The La0.7Sr0.3Cr0.5Fe0.5O3 catalyst exhibited the best performance under Fe-substitution of which propane conversion was 99.6 % and hydrogen yield was 81.8 % at 800 °C in the S/C=1.7 condition.