Comparison of Co-based SiC and Co-based SiC-Al₂O₃ Catalysts for Fischer Tropsch Synthesis

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Fischer-Tropsch Synthesis(FTS) for the production of clean synthetic fuels has been considered as a key technology in GTL (gas-to-liquids) process. In this work, Co-based modified catalysts supported on SiC and SiC-Al2O3 were prepared by an impregnation method. To investigate the effect of cobalt loading on SiC and SiC-Al2O3 support, the prepared catalysts were characterized by N2 physisorption, XRD, TPR, and SEM techniques. The FTS reaction was carried out in a fixed bed reactor system with the H2/CO ratio of 2:1 and reaction pressure of 20 bar during 120 h. It was found that Co/SiC-Al2O3 catalysts showed the higher conversion of CO than Co/SiC catalyst.