

Supplementary Information

Unraveling the Superiority of Ni₁-MoS₂ Single-Atom Catalyst in CO₂ Hydrogenation to Methanol: A DFT Combined Microkinetic Study

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Details of Microkinetic Analysis

The microkinetic analysis was performed by using CATKINAS software package [S1]. The reaction conditions were maintained at $T = 483.15$ K with partial pressures of CO_2 and H_2 set to 8 bar and 24 bar, respectively, which is consistent with previous study [S2]. The TOF maps and reaction orders of CH_3OH formation on $\text{M}_1\text{-MoS}_2$ were maintained at a temperature range 300–600 K and a total pressure of 1–100 bar ($P_{\text{CO}_2}: P_{\text{H}_2} = 1: 3$). The partial pressure of products (CH_3OH , HCOOH , H_2O) were fixed at a very low value. To evaluate the overall catalytic activity of methanol formation on $\text{Ni}_1(\text{Pt}_1, \text{Cu}_1, \text{Pd}_1, \text{Rh}_1, \text{Ni}_1)\text{-MoS}_2$, key steps include the dissociation of H_2 molecule, hydrogen diffusion and the CO_2 hydrogenation. Four active sites were considered, namely, H_2 molecule firstly adsorbed on one $\alpha\text{-S}$ (the first active site #1), then dissociated into two $\text{H}_{\alpha\text{-out}}$ at two $\alpha\text{-S}$ (#1 and the second active site #2), CO_2 as well as C-containing species and inward $\text{H}_{\text{c_in}}$ adsorbed at another $\alpha\text{-S}$ (the third active site #3), the $\text{H}_{\alpha\text{-out}}$ diffused to $\beta\text{-S}$ to form H_β (the fourth active site #4), the fifth site (#5) to outward $\text{H}_{\text{c_out}}$ as shown in Fig.S18. Elementary steps that involved in the microkinetic model as listed in Table S7–12. The reaction rates, activation energy, coverage of surface species were calculated when the catalytic system reaches steady state.

The collision theory was used to treat the kinetic coefficient of molecular H_2 and CO_2 adsorption, the corresponding adsorption rate constant (k_{ads}) can be written according **Eq. S1**:

$$k_{\text{ads}} = \frac{S \cdot P \cdot A}{\sqrt{2\pi k_B m T}} \quad (\text{S1})$$

where k_B , m and T are Boltzmann constant, mass of adsorbed gas, reaction temperature, respectively. S is the sticking coefficient, is seen as 1, P is the partial pressure of adsorbed species. A is the area of active site, which is assumed to be $1 \text{ \AA}^2$.

The rate constant of desorption (k_{des}) can be calculated as **Eq. S2**:

$$k_{\text{des}} = \frac{k_{\text{ads}}}{K} \quad (\text{S2})$$

where K is the adsorption equilibrium constant of the reaction.

While the kinetic coefficients for surface reactions were determined by transition state theory, the reaction rates for the forward reaction i (k_f) were calculated according to **Eq. S3**:

$$k_f = \frac{k_B T}{h} \exp\left(\frac{-E_{a_i}}{k_B T}\right) \quad (\text{S3})$$

where k_B , T , h and E_{a_i} are Boltzmann constant, reaction temperature, the Planck constant and the energy barrier for reaction i .

The corresponding reverse reaction rates (k_r) for reaction i were calculated by **Eq. S4**.

$$k_r = \frac{k_f}{K_i} \quad (\text{S4})$$

where K_i is the equilibrium constant of reaction i .

The rate constant ($k_{ads/des,f/r}$) of the each elementary step are listed in Table S7-12. Next, the coverage of intermediates (*COOH, *C(OH)₂, *CH(OH)₂, *CHOH, and *CH₂OH) are listed in Table S15.

S2. Figures and Tables

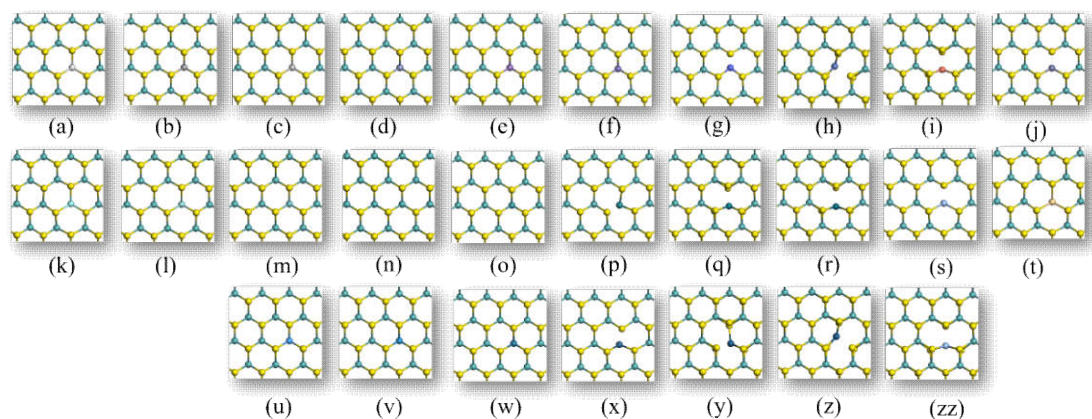


Fig. S1. From (a) to (zz) are the structures of Sc-Zn, Y-Cd and Ta-Au transition metals substituted Mo atoms in plane MoS_2 . Sc-Fe, Y-Tc and Ta-Re atoms prefer to form six-coordinated structure, Co-Zn, Ru-Cd and Os-Au tend to form tetra-coordinated structures. The yellow, cyan spheres represent sulfur S and Mo atoms, respectively.

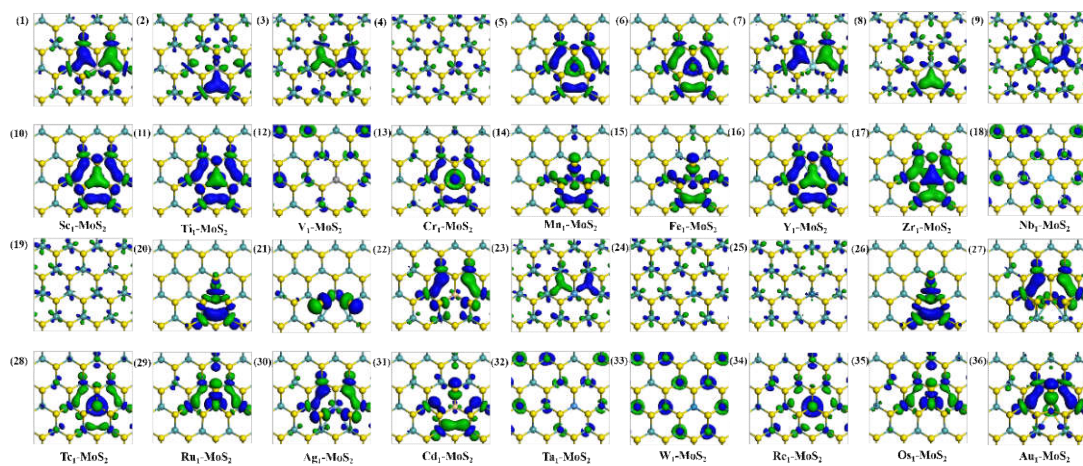


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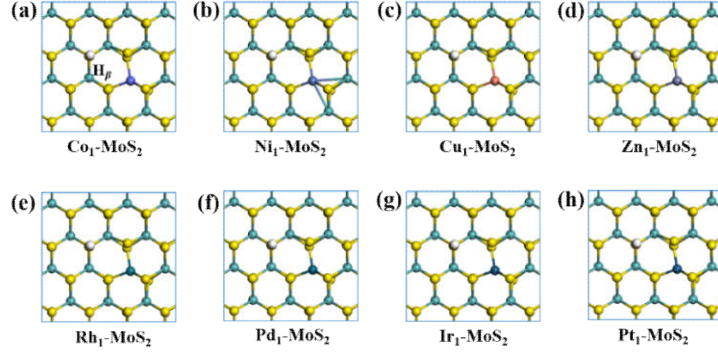


Fig. S3. The structures of one H atoms adsorbed on the β -S atoms (1H-1) on (a–h) Co₁, Ni₁, Cu₁, Zn₁, Rh₁, Pd₁, Ir₁ and Pt₁-MoS₂. The adsorption energies (E_{1H-1}) are 0.94, 1.36, 0.93, 0.52, 1.13, 1.03, 1.50 and 0.43 eV (as listed in **Table S2**), respectively. The H atoms in the β -S are labeled as H _{β} . The yellow, cyan, white and blue spheres represent S, Mo, H and doped atoms, respectively.

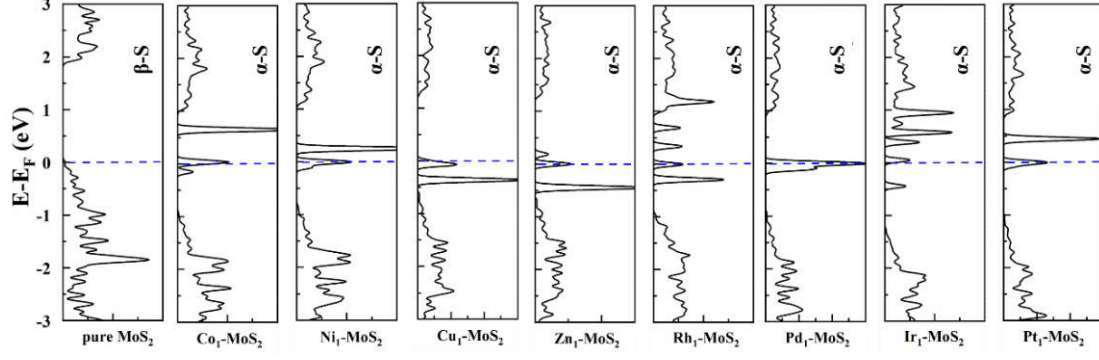


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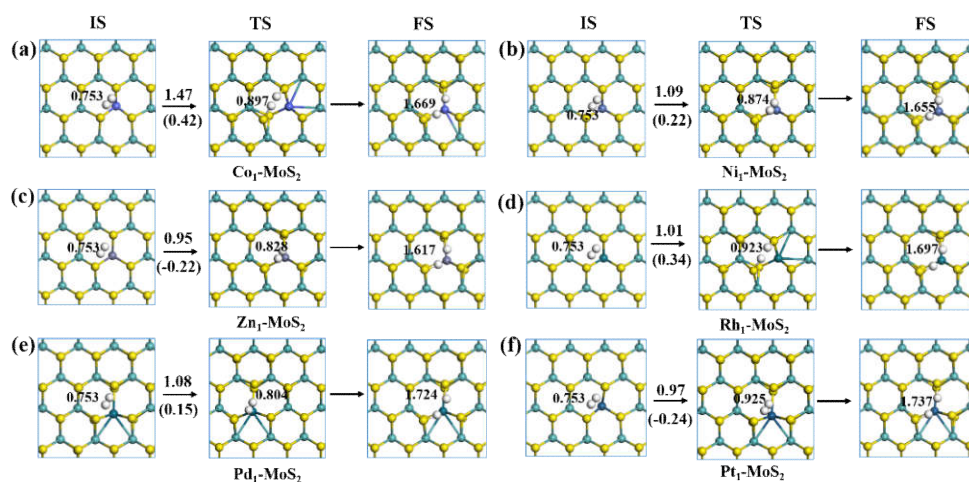


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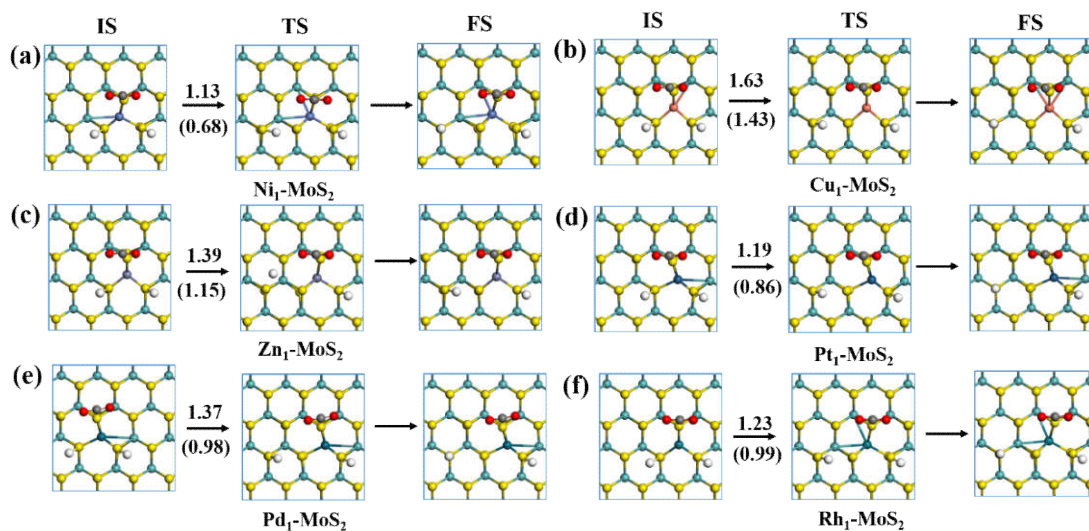


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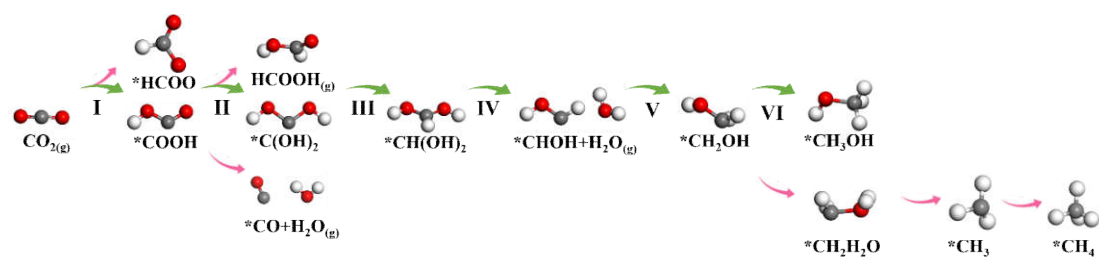


Fig. S7. The considered reaction routes and the corresponding intermediates during methanol synthesis from CO_2 thermo-reduction on $\text{M}_1\text{-MoS}_2$. The white, red and gray spheres represent H, O and C atoms, respectively.

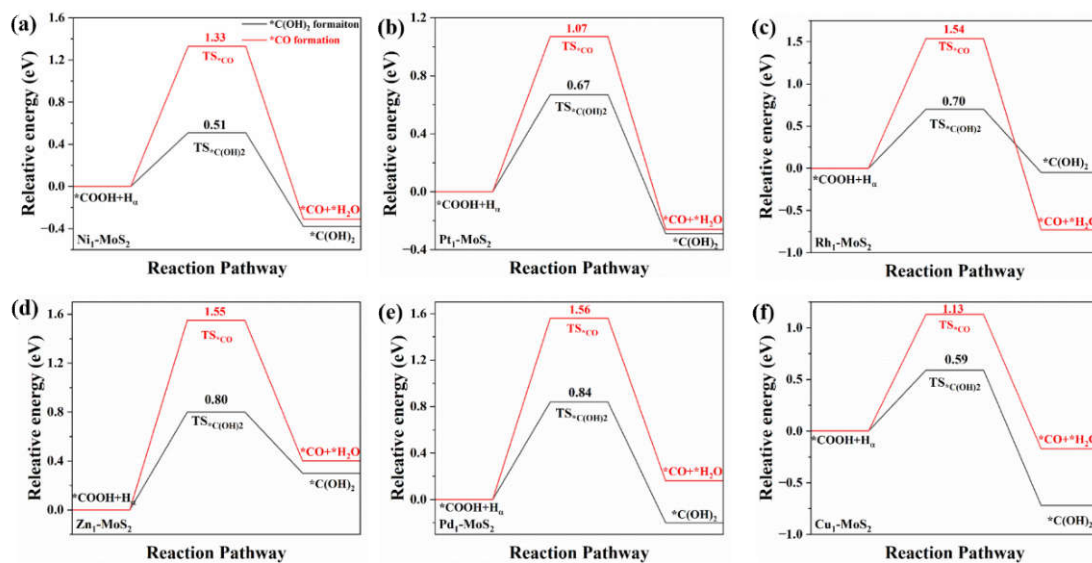


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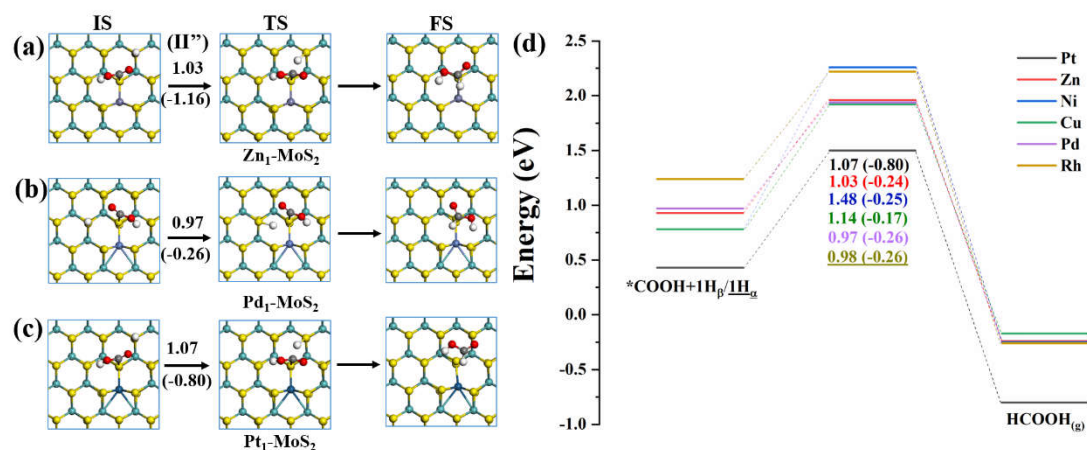


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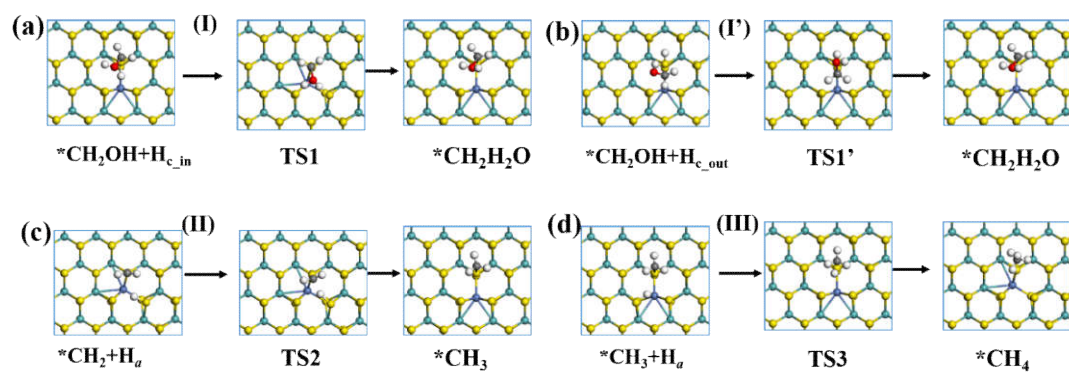


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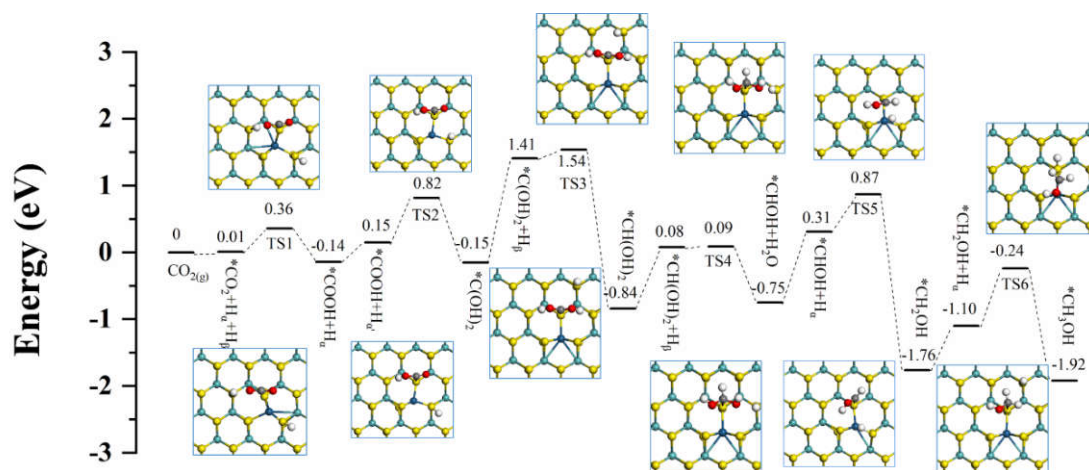


Fig. S11. The geometric structures of initial states (**IS**) and transition states (**TS**) of each elementary step along the optimal CO₂ reduction pathway on Pt₁-MoS₂: **I** ($\ast + \ast\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_\alpha + \text{H}_\beta \rightleftharpoons \ast + \ast\text{COOH} + \text{H}_\alpha$), **II'** ($\ast + \ast\text{COOH} + \text{H}_\alpha \rightleftharpoons \ast + \ast\text{C}(\text{OH})_2$), **III** ($\ast + \ast\text{C}(\text{OH})_2 + \text{H}_\beta \rightleftharpoons \ast + \ast\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2$), **IV** ($\ast + \ast\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2 + \text{H}_\beta \rightleftharpoons \ast + \ast\text{CHOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$), **V'** ($\ast + \ast\text{CHOH} + \text{H}_\alpha \rightleftharpoons \ast + \ast\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$), **VI'** ($\ast + \ast\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_\alpha \rightleftharpoons \ast + \ast\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$). The yellow, cyan, white, red, gray, blue, spheres represent S, Mo, H, O, C, Pt atoms, respectively.

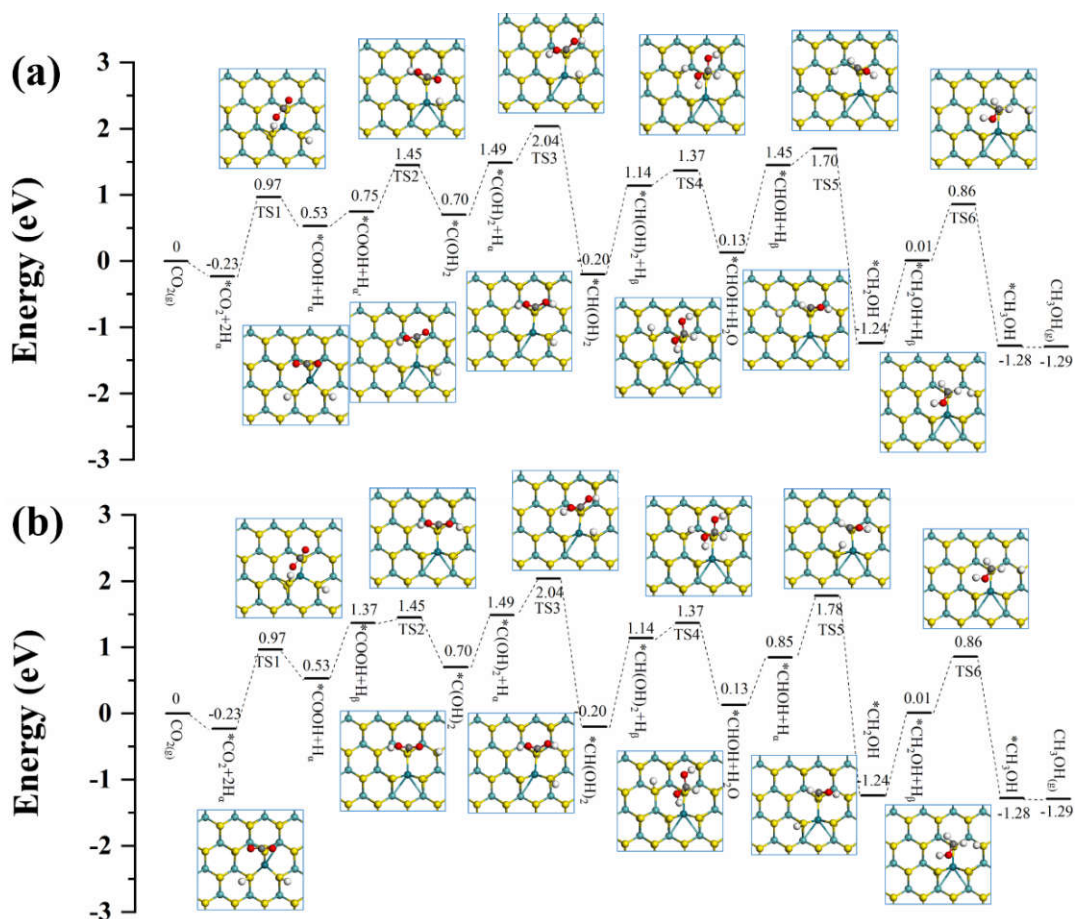


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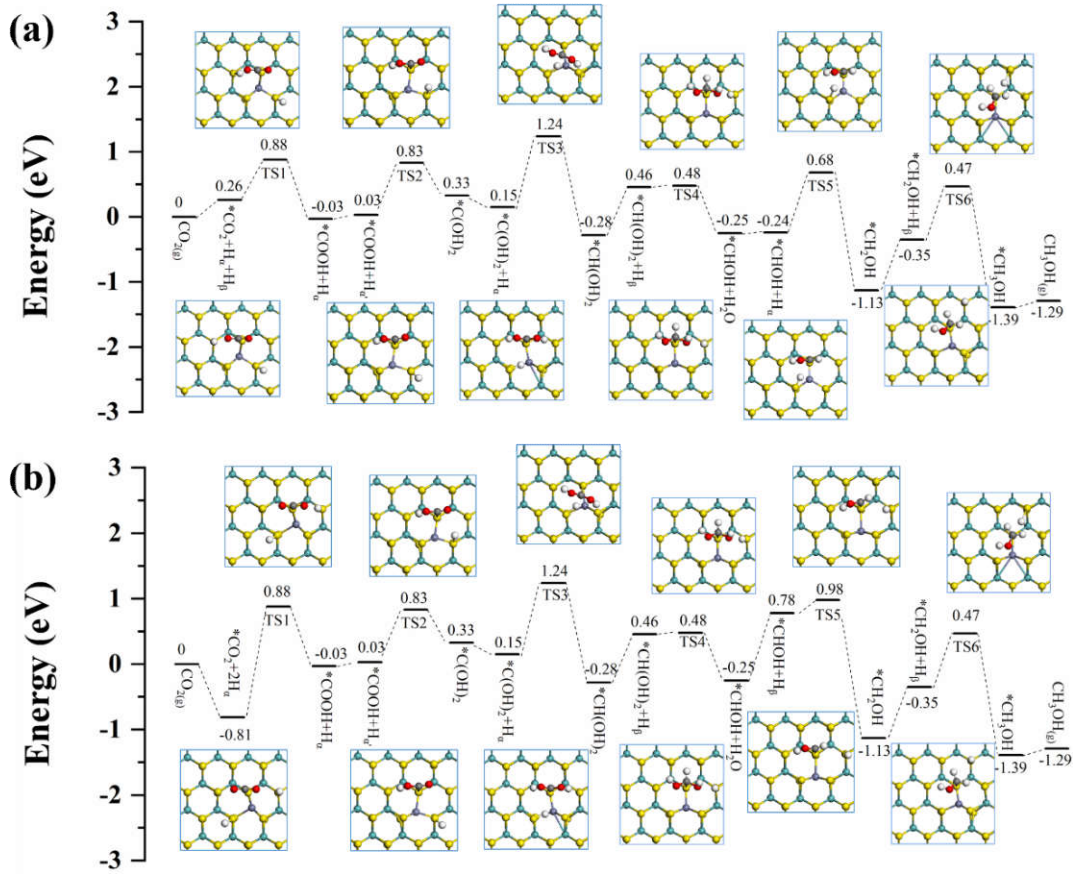


Fig. S13. The geometric structures of initial states (IS) and transition states (TS) of each elementary step along the comparable CO₂ reduction pathways on Zn₁-MoS₂: (a) **I** (* + *CO₂ + H_α + H_β ⇌ * + *COOH + H_α), **II'** (* + *COOH + H_α ⇌ * + *C(OH)₂), **III'** (* + *C(OH)₂ + H_α ⇌ * + *CH(OH)₂), **IV** (* + *CH(OH)₂ + H_β ⇌ * + *CHOH + H₂O), **V'** (* + *CHOH + H_α ⇌ * + *CH₂OH), **VI** (* + *CH₂OH + H_β ⇌ * + *CH₃OH); (b) **I'** (* + *CO₂ + 2H_α ⇌ * + *COOH + H_α), **II'** (* + *COOH + H_α ⇌ * + *C(OH)₂), **III'** (* + *C(OH)₂ + H_α ⇌ * + *CH(OH)₂), **IV** (* + *CH(OH)₂ + H_β ⇌ * + *CHOH + H₂O), **V** (* + *CHOH + H_β ⇌ * + *CH₂OH), **VI** (* + *CH₂OH + H_β ⇌ * + *CH₃OH). The yellow, cyan, white, red, gray, blue, silver spheres represent S, Mo, H, O, C, Zn atoms, respectively.

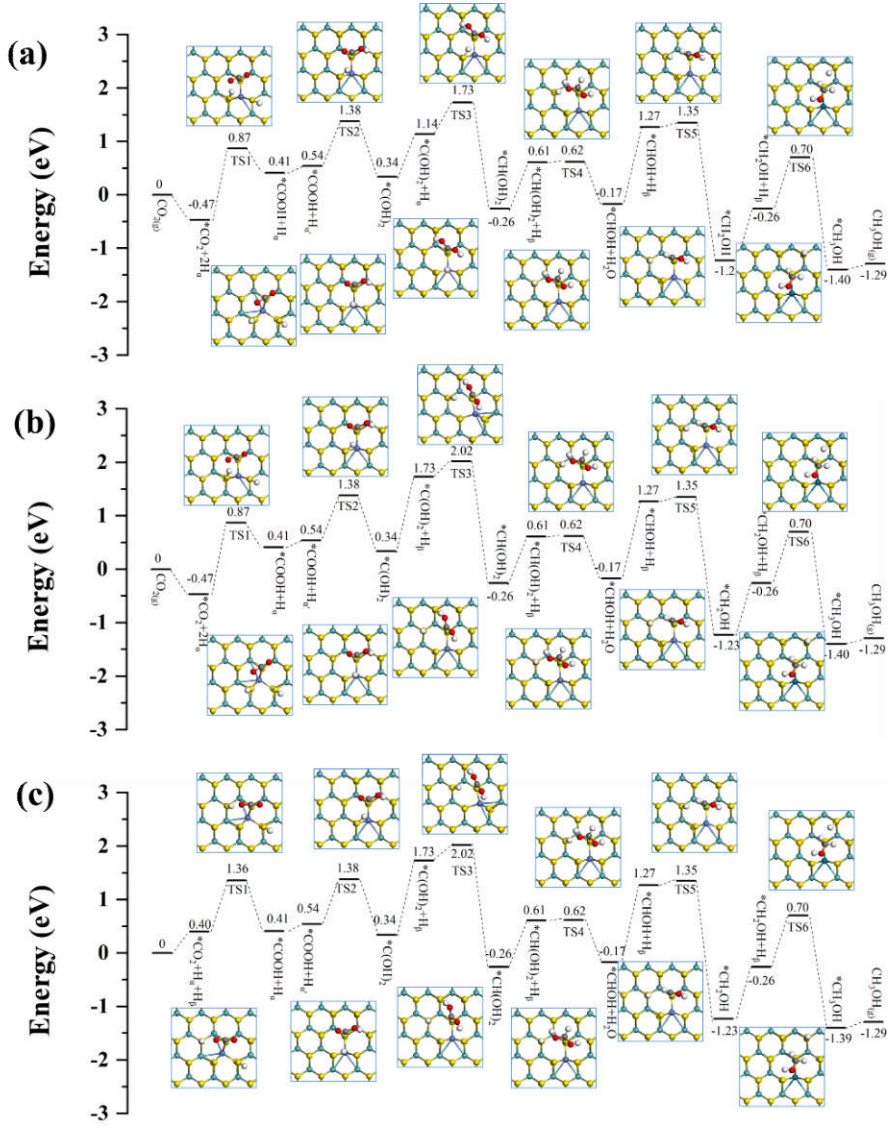


Fig. S14. The geometric structures of initial states (IS) and transition states (TS) of each elementary step along the comparable CO₂ reduction pathways on Pd₁-MoS₂: (a) **I'** ($* + *CO_2 + 2H_\alpha \rightleftharpoons * + *COOH + H_\alpha$), **II'** ($* + *COOH + H_\alpha \rightleftharpoons * + *C(OH)_2$), **III'** ($* + *C(OH)_2 + H_\alpha \rightleftharpoons * + *CH(OH)_2$), **IV** ($* + *CH(OH)_2 + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CHOH + H_2O$), **V** ($* + *CHOH + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH_2OH$), **VI** ($* + *CH_2OH + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH_3OH$); (b) **I'** ($* + *CO_2 + 2H_\alpha \rightleftharpoons * + *COOH + H_\alpha$), **II'** ($* + *COOH + H_\alpha \rightleftharpoons * + *C(OH)_2$), **III** ($* + *C(OH)_2 + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH(OH)_2$), **IV** ($* + *CH(OH)_2 + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CHOH + H_2O$), **V** ($* + *CHOH + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH_2OH$), **VI** ($* + *CH_2OH + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH_3OH$); (c) **I** ($* + *CO_2 + H_\alpha + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *COOH + H_\alpha$), **II'** ($* + *COOH + H_\alpha \rightleftharpoons * + *C(OH)_2$), **III** ($* + *C(OH)_2 + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH(OH)_2$), **IV** ($* + *CH(OH)_2 + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CHOH + H_2O$), **V** ($* + *CHOH + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH_2OH$), **VI** ($* + *CH_2OH + H_\beta \rightleftharpoons * + *CH_3OH$). The yellow, cyan, white, red, gray, blue spheres represent S, Mo, H, O, C, Pd atoms, respectively.

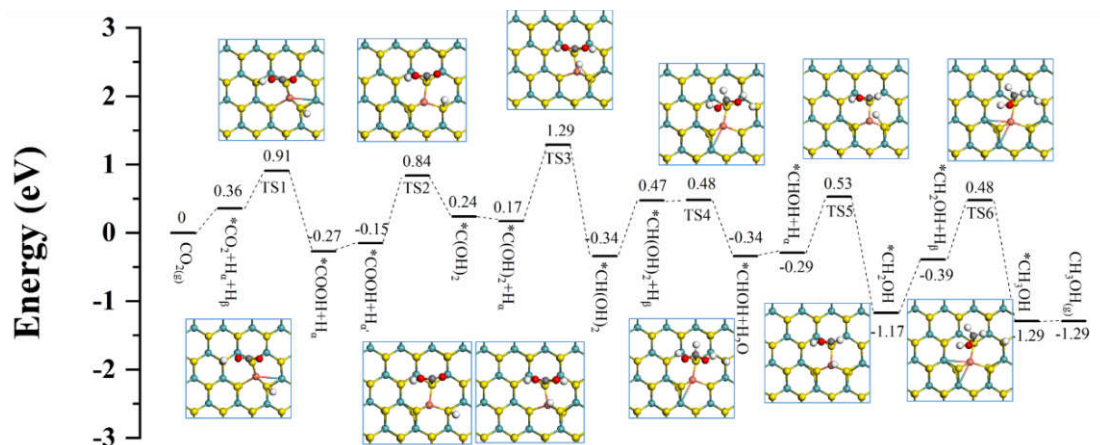


Fig. S15. The geometric structures of initial states (IS) and transition states (TS) of each elementary step along the optimal CO₂ reduction pathway on Cu₁-MoS₂: **I** (* + *CO₂ + H_α + H_β ⇌ * + *COOH + H_α), **II'** (* + *COOH + H_α ⇌ * + *C(OH)₂), **III'** (* + *C(OH)₂ + H_α ⇌ * + *CH(OH)₂), **IV** (* + *CH(OH)₂ + H_β ⇌ * + *CHOH + H₂O), **V'** (* + *CHOH + H_α ⇌ * + *CH₂OH), **VI** (* + *CH₂OH + H_β ⇌ * + *CH₃OH). The yellow, cyan, white, red, gray, blue, brick-red spheres represent S, Mo, H, O, C, Cu atoms, respectively.

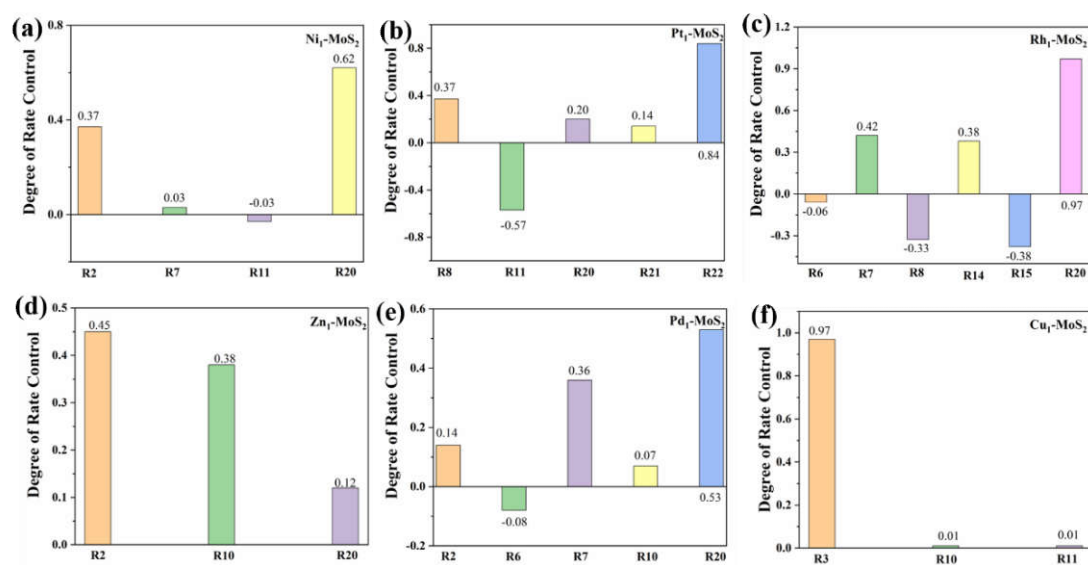


Fig. S16. Degree of rate control (DRC) of elementary steps of the catalytic CO₂ hydrogenation reaction on (a–f) Ni₁, Pt₁, Rh₁, Zn₁, Pd₁, Cu₁-MoS₂.

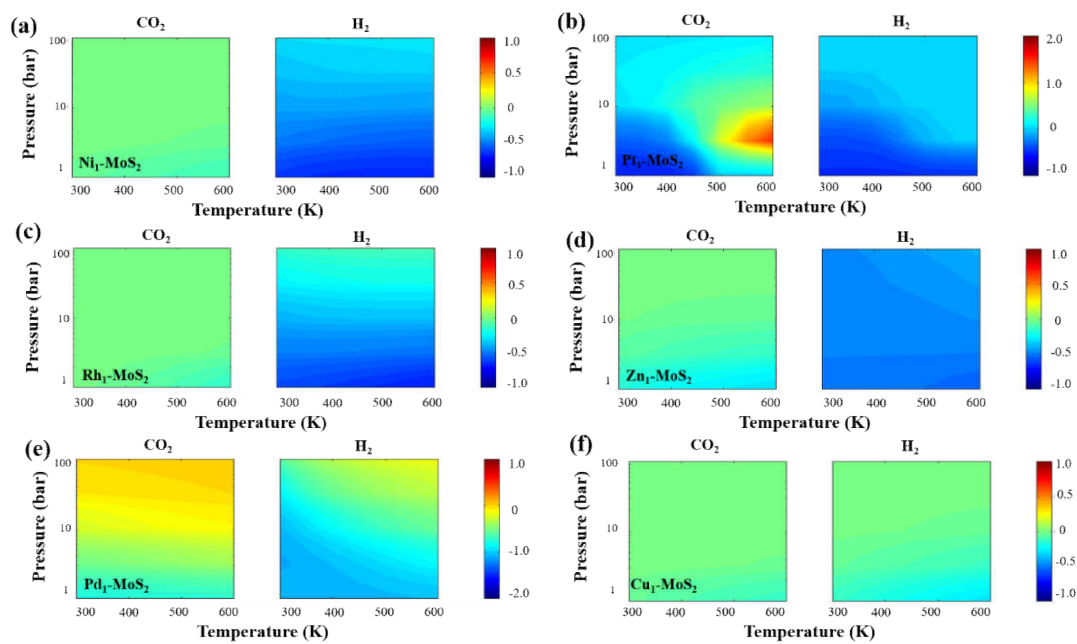


Fig. S17. The calculated reaction order map of CO₂ and H₂ on (a) Ni₁-MoS₂, (b) Rh₁-MoS₂, (c) Rh₁-MoS₂, (d) Zn₁-MoS₂, (e) Pd₁-MoS₂ and (f) Cu₁-MoS₂.

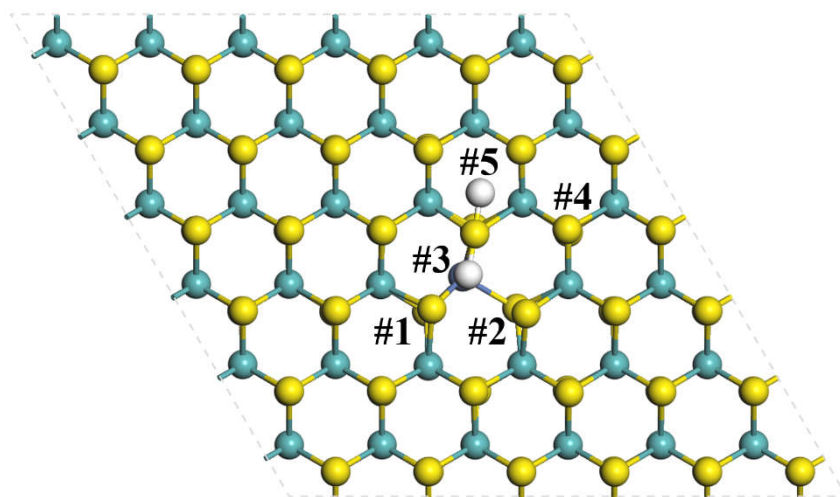


Figure S18. The active sites adopted in microkinetic simulations.

Table S1. The number of transfer electrons (**Q**) and valence electrons (**V**) in doped transition metal atoms of M_1 -MoS₂.

	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn
Q	+0.39	+0.16	−0.10	−0.36	−0.32	−0.16	−0.33	−0.04	−0.12	+0.16
V	2.61	3.84	5.10	6.36	7.32	8.16	9.33	10.04	11.12	11.84
	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd
Q	+1.23	+0.48	+0.23	−0.09	−0.28	−0.31	−0.28	−0.19	+0.06	+0.31
V	1.79	3.52	4.77	6.09	7.28	8.31	9.28	10.19	10.94	11.69
			Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	
Q			+0.32	−0.08	−0.32	−0.44	−0.40	−0.04	−0.15	
V			4.68	6.08	7.32	8.44	9.40	10.04	11.25	

* Q represents the number of transferring electrons, + represents losing electrons, − represents getting electrons. V represents the valence electrons in doped metal.

Table S2. The adsorption energies (E^*) (eV) of different H atom on Co₁, Ni₁, Cu₁, Zn₁, Rh₁, Pd₁, Ir₁ and Pt₁-MoS₂.

	Co₁	Ni₁	Cu₁	Zn₁	Rh₁	Pd₁	Ir₁	Pt₁
$E_{H\alpha}$	-0.50	-0.72	-0.52	-0.41	-0.66	-0.52	-0.46	-1.06
$E_{H\beta}$	0.94	1.36	0.93	0.52	1.13	1.03	1.50	0.43
E_{H2}	-0.05	-0.04	0.09	-0.04	0.00	0.00	/	0.00
E_{2H-1}	-0.28	-0.48	-0.96	-0.76	-0.30	-0.44	0.12	-0.84
E_{2H-2}	-0.09	-0.21	-0.81	-0.58	-0.07	-0.16	0.36	-0.57
E_{2H-3}	0.38	0.18	-0.46	-0.16	0.34	0.14	0.78	-0.24
E_{2H-4}	0.22	0.08	-0.06	0.08	0.32	0.12	0.62	-0.44

Table S3. The calculated formation energies of S_v on $Ni_1(Pt_1, Pd_1, Cu_1, Zn_1, Rh_1)-MoS_2$.

	Ni_1-MoS_2	Pt_1-MoS_2	Pd_1-MoS_2	Cu_1-MoS_2	Zn_1-MoS_2	Rh_1-MoS_2
E_{S_v}	0.37	-0.14	0.40	1.41	0.72	0.27

Table S4. The adsorption energies of CO_{2(g)}, *COOH and *HCOO species over Ni₁, Cu₁, Zn₁, Rh₁, Pd₁ and Pt₁-MoS₂.

	Ni₁	Cu₁	Zn₁	Rh₁	Pd₁	Pt₁
<i>E</i>_{CO2(g)} (eV)	−0.05	−0.02	−0.05	−0.11	0.00	−0.01
<i>E</i>_{*HCOO} (eV)	0.68	0.79	1.02	0.70	0.86	0.33
<i>E</i>_{*COOH} (eV)	0.00	0.13	0.27	0.08	0.17	−0.37
<i>ΔE</i>_{*HCOO-*COOH} (eV)	0.68	0.66	0.75	0.62	0.69	0.70

Table S5. The calculated relative energies of the initial states (IS), transition states (TS) and final states (FS) of each elementary step on Ni₁, Cu₁, Zn₁, Rh₁, Pd₁ and Pt₁-MoS₂.

	IS1'	TS1'	IS1	TS1	FS1	IS2'	TS2'	IS2	TS2	FS2	/	/
Ni₁	-0.41	0.93	0.18	1.04	0.26	0.50	1.01	0.78	0.92	0.12	/	/
Cu₁	-0.99	0.84	0.36	0.91	-0.27	-0.15	0.84	0.78	0.86	0.24	/	/
Zn₁	-0.81	0.88	0.26	0.88	-0.03	0.03	0.83	0.93	0.96	0.33	/	/
Rh₁	-0.23	0.97	0.60	1.44	0.53	0.75	1.45	1.37	1.45	0.70	/	/
Pd₁	-0.47	0.87	0.40	1.36	0.41	0.54	1.38	0.97	1.07	0.34	/	/
Pt₁	-0.85	0.93	0.01	0.36	-0.14	0.15	0.82	0.43	0.56	-0.15	/	/
	IS3'	TS3'	IS3	TS3	FS3	IS4'	TS4'	IS4	TS4	FS4	/	/
Ni₁	1.02	2.14	1.49	2.27	-0.36	-0.16	0.50	0.44	0.51	-0.39	/	/
Cu₁	0.17	1.29	1.25	1.78	-0.34	-0.82	0.13	0.47	0.48	-0.34	/	/
Zn₁	0.15	1.24	1.14	1.74	-0.28	-0.73	0.25	0.46	0.48	-0.25	/	/
Rh₁	1.49	2.04	2.07	2.57	-0.20	-0.28	0.89	1.14	1.37	0.13	/	/
Pd₁	1.14	2.05	1.73	2.02	-0.26	-0.15	0.76	0.61	0.62	-0.17	/	/
Pt₁	0.87	1.73	1.41	1.54	-0.84	-0.72	0.95	0.08	0.09	-0.75	/	/
	IS5'	TS5'	IS5	TS5	FS5	IS6'	TS6'	IS6''	TS6''	IS6	TS6	FS6
Ni₁	0.46	1.58	1.01	1.52	-1.37	-1.10	0.26	-0.88	-0.43	-0.60	0.53	-1.33
Cu₁	-0.29	0.53	0.92	1.09	-1.16	-1.54	0.27	-0.61	-0.35	-0.39	0.48	-1.29
Zn₁	-0.24	0.68	0.78	0.98	-1.13	-1.32	0.51	-0.63	0.33	-0.35	0.47	-1.39
Rh₁	0.85	1.78	1.45	1.70	-1.24	-0.49	1.06	-0.32	-0.13	0.01	0.86	-1.28
Pd₁	0.69	1.53	1.27	1.35	-1.23	-0.84	0.47	-0.54	-0.25	-0.26	0.70	-1.39
Pt₁	0.31	0.87	0.77	0.85	-1.76	-1.39	-0.07	-1.10	-0.24	-0.83	0.04	-1.93

*The IS, TS and FS marked with a “ ’ ” label represent the reactions in which H_α participates, IS6', TS6' represent the reaction in which H_{c_in} participates, IS6'', TS6'' represent the reaction in which H_{c_out} participates, the other numbers indicate the reaction in which H_β participates.

Table S6. The calculated energy barriers and reaction energies for the competition reaction between $^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + ^*\text{H}$ to CH_3OH and $^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and the evolution of $^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ to $^*\text{CH}_4$.

	Pt₁-MoS₂		Ni₁-MoS₂		Rh₁-MoS₂	
Reactions	<i>E_a</i>(eV)	ΔE(eV)	<i>E_a</i>(eV)	ΔE(eV)	<i>E_a</i>(eV)	ΔE(eV)
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_out}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	0.86	-0.86	0.43	-0.45	0.19	-0.97
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_out}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.96	-0.10	1.03	0.02	0.95	-0.17
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_in}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	1.32	-0.53	1.36	-0.23	1.55	-0.79
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_in}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.80	0.18	0.96	0.03	1.12	0.01
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(\text{g})}$	0.04	0.04	0.84	0.84	0.08	0.08
$^*\text{CH}_2 + \text{H}_a \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_3$	0.36	-2.67	0.17	-2.26	0.21	-2.18
$^*\text{CH}_3 + \text{H}_a \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_4$	2.02	-0.82	1.91	-0.61	2.21	-0.96

	Pt₁-MoS₂		Ni₁-MoS₂		Rh₁-MoS₂	
Reactions	<i>E_a</i>(eV)	ΔE(eV)	<i>E_a</i>(eV)	ΔE(eV)	<i>E_a</i>(eV)	ΔE(eV)
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_out}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	0.30	-0.76	0.29	-0.86	0.26	-0.68
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_out}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.80	0.65	0.98	-0.13	0.84	-0.21
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_in}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	1.83	-0.07	1.31	-0.55	1.81	-0.54
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_{\text{c_in}} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.85	-0.18	1.29	0.17	1.40	0.78
$^*\text{CH}_2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(\text{g})}$	0.22	0.22	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.08
$^*\text{CH}_2 + \text{H}_a \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_3$	0.37	-1.61	0.01	-2.49	0.38	-1.73
$^*\text{CH}_3 + \text{H}_a \rightleftharpoons ^*\text{CH}_4$	2.58	-0.16	2.58	-0.16	2.68	0.05

Table S7. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE), reaction rates for forward (k_f) and reverse reactions (k_r) of the considered elementary steps on Pt₁-MoS₂.

	Reactions	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)	k_f	k_r
R1	$H_2\#1 \rightleftharpoons H_2\#1$	0.00	0.00	8.44×10^7	8.44×10^7
R2	$H_2\#1 + \#2 \rightleftharpoons H_a\#1 + H_a\#2$	0.97	-0.84	7.67×10^2	1.33×10^{-6}
R3	$H\#1 + \#4 \rightleftharpoons \#1 + H\#4$	1.19	0.86	3.89×10^0	3.64×10^9
R4	$CO_{2(g)} + \#3 \rightleftharpoons CO_2\#3$	0.00	-0.01	1.81×10^7	1.42×10^7
R5(I')	$CO_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#2$	1.78	0.71	2.73×10^{-6}	6.94×10^1
R6(I)	$CO_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#4$	0.35	-0.14	2.25×10^9	7.79×10^7
R7(II')	$COOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	0.67	-0.29	1.03×10^6	9.75×10^2
R8(II)	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.13	-0.58	4.43×10^{11}	3.95×10^5
R9(II'')	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons HCOOH + \#3$	1.07	-1.23	6.94×10^1	1.03×10^{-11}
R10(III')	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	0.86	-1.71	1.08×10^4	1.57×10^{-14}
R11(III)	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.13	-2.25	4.43×10^{11}	1.50×10^{-12}
R12(IV')	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O + \#2$	1.67	0.03	3.83×10^{-5}	7.87×10^{-5}
R13(IV)	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O + \#3$	0.01	-0.83	7.92×10^{12}	1.74×10^4
R14(V')	$CHOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#2$	0.56	-2.07	1.45×10^7	3.71×10^{-15}
R15(V)	$CHOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#4$	0.08	-2.53	1.47×10^{12}	6.00×10^{-15}
R16	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#2 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 + \#2$	0.15	-0.10	2.74×10^{11}	2.48×10^{10}
R17	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 + \#4$	0.87	-0.24	8.47×10^3	2.66×10^1
R18(VI')	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#5$	0.86	-0.86	1.08×10^4	1.15×10^{-5}
R19(VI'')	$CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#5 + \#3$	1.32	-0.53	1.71×10^{-1}	5.07×10^{-7}
R20(VI)	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#4$	0.87	-0.24	8.47×10^3	2.66×10^1
R21	$CH_3OH\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#3$	0.64	0.64	4.47×10^0	2.12×10^7
R22	$CH_3OH\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#5$	0.64	0.64	4.47×10^0	2.12×10^7
R23	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#5$	0.96	-0.10	9.75×10^2	8.83×10^1
R24	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#3$	0.80	0.18	4.55×10^4	3.43×10^6
R25	$CH_2H_2O\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2\#3 + H_2O$	0.04	0.04	1.08×10^7	2.82×10^7
R26	$CH_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3\#3 + \#2$	0.36	-2.67	1.77×10^9	2.49×10^{-19}
R27	$CH_3\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_4\#3 + \#2$	2.02	-0.82	8.55×10^{-9}	2.39×10^{-17}
R28	$CH_4\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#3$	0.52	0.52	1.13×10^2	2.99×10^7
R29	$CH_4\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#5$	0.52	0.52	1.13×10^2	2.99×10^7

Table S8. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE), reaction rates for forward (k_f) and reverse reactions (k_r) of the considered elementary steps on Ni₁-MoS₂.

	Reactions	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)	k_f	k_r
R1	$H_2\#1 \rightleftharpoons H_2\#1$	0.00	-0.04	8.44×10^7	3.23×10^7
R2	$H_2\#1 + \#2 \rightleftharpoons H_a\#1 + H_a\#2$	1.09	-0.98	4.30×10^1	2.57×10^{-9}
R3	$H\#1 + \#4 \rightleftharpoons \#1 + H\#4$	1.13	0.68	1.64×10^1	2.04×10^8
R4	$CO_{2(g)}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CO_2\#3$	0.00	-0.05	1.81×10^7	5.44×10^6
R5(I')	$CO_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#2$	1.34	0.67	1.06×10^{-1}	1.03×10^6
R6(I)	$CO_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#4$	0.86	0.08	1.08×10^4	7.36×10^4
R7(II')	$COOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	0.51	-0.38	4.82×10^7	5.24×10^3
R8(II)	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.14	-0.66	3.49×10^{11}	4.55×10^4
R9(II'')	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons HCOOH\#3$	1.48	-0.92	3.67×10^{-3}	9.30×10^{-13}
R10(III')	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	1.12	-1.38	2.09×10^1	8.42×10^{-14}
R11(III)	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.78	-1.85	7.36×10^4	3.71×10^{-15}
R12(IV')	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O\#2$	0.66	-0.23	1.31×10^6	5.24×10^3
R13(IV)	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O\#3$	0.07	-0.83	1.87×10^{12}	4.12×10^3
R14(V')	$CHOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#2$	1.12	-1.83	2.09×10^1	1.70×10^{-18}
R15(V)	$CHOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#4$	0.51	-2.38	4.82×10^7	7.20×10^{-18}
R16	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#2 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 + \#2$	0.10	-0.21	9.12×10^{11}	5.88×10^9
R17	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 + \#4$	1.13	-0.29	1.64×10^1	1.55×10^{-2}
R18(VI')	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#5$	0.43	-0.45	3.29×10^8	6.66×10^3
R19(VI'')	$CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#5 + \#3$	1.36	-0.23	6.56×10^{-2}	2.62×10^{-4}
R20(VI)	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#4$	1.13	-0.73	1.64×10^1	3.99×10^{-7}
R21	$CH_3OH\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#3$	0.04	0.04	8.10×10^6	2.12×10^7
R22	$CH_3OH\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#5$	0.04	0.04	8.10×10^6	2.12×10^7
R23	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#5$	1.03	0.02	1.82×10^2	2.93×10^2
R24	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#3$	0.96	0.03	9.75×10^2	2.00×10^3
R25	$CH_2H_2O\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2\#3 + H_2O$	0.84	0.84	4.88×10^{-2}	2.82×10^7
R26	$CH_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3\#3 + \#2$	0.17	-2.26	1.70×10^{11}	4.52×10^{-13}
R27	$CH_3\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_4\#3 + \#2$	1.91	-0.61	1.20×10^{-7}	5.21×10^{-14}
R28	$CH_4\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#3$	0.02	0.02	1.85×10^7	2.99×10^7
R29	$CH_4\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#5$	0.02	0.02	1.85×10^7	2.99×10^7

Table S9. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE), reaction rates for forward (k_f) and reverse reactions (k_r) of the considered elementary steps on Rh₁-MoS₂.

	Reactions	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)	k_f	k_r
R1	H ₂ +#1 $\rightleftharpoons$ H ₂ #1	0.00	0.00	8.44 $\times 10^7$	8.44 $\times 10^7$
R2	H ₂ #1+#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ H _a #1+H _a #2	1.01	-0.29	2.93 $\times 10^2$	2.77 $\times 10^{-1}$
R3	H#1+#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ #1+H#4	1.23	0.99	1.49 $\times 10^0$	3.16 $\times 10^{10}$
R4	CO _{2(g)} +#3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CO ₂ #3	0.00	-0.11	1.81 $\times 10^7$	1.29 $\times 10^6$
R5(I')	CO ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ COOH#3+#2	1.20	0.76	3.06 $\times 10^0$	2.59 $\times 10^8$
R6(I)	CO ₂ #3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ COOH#3+#4	0.84	-0.07	1.74 $\times 10^4$	3.24 $\times 10^3$
R7(II')	COOH#3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.70	-0.05	5.03 $\times 10^5$	1.51 $\times 10^5$
R8(II)	COOH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ C(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.08	-0.67	1.47 $\times 10^{12}$	1.51 $\times 10^5$
R9(II'')	COOH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ HCOOH+#3	0.98	-1.50	6.03 $\times 10^2$	1.36 $\times 10^{-13}$
R10(III')	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.55	-1.69	1.84 $\times 10^7$	4.34 $\times 10^{-11}$
R11(III)	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.50	-2.27	6.13 $\times 10^7$	1.28 $\times 10^{-16}$
R12(IV')	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#2	1.17	0.41	6.29 $\times 10^0$	1.19 $\times 10^5$
R13(IV)	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.23	-1.01	4.02 $\times 10^{10}$	1.17 $\times 10^0$
R14(V')	CHOH#3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#3+#2	0.93	-2.09	2.00 $\times 10^3$	3.17 $\times 10^{-19}$
R15(V)	CHOH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#3+#4	0.25	-2.69	2.48 $\times 10^{10}$	2.17 $\times 10^{-18}$
R16	CH ₂ OH#3+H#2+#5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#5+H _{c_in} #3+#2	0.26	0.16	1.95 $\times 10^{10}$	9.12 $\times 10^{11}$
R17	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4+#5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_out} #5+#4	0.84	-0.33	1.74 $\times 10^4$	6.29 $\times 10^0$
R18(VI')	CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_out} #5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH#3+#5	0.19	-0.97	1.05 $\times 10^{11}$	8.00 $\times 10^0$
R19(VI'')	CH ₂ OH#5+H _{c_in} #3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH#5+#3	1.55	-0.79	6.84 $\times 10^{-4}$	3.93 $\times 10^{-12}$
R20(VI)	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH#3+#4	0.85	-1.29	1.37 $\times 10^4$	4.79 $\times 10^{-10}$
R21	CH ₃ OH#3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH+#3	0.00	-0.01	2.12 $\times 10^7$	1.67 $\times 10^7$
R22	CH ₃ OH#5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH+#5	0.00	-0.01	2.12 $\times 10^7$	1.67 $\times 10^7$
R23	CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_out} #5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ H ₂ O#3+#5	0.95	-0.17	1.24 $\times 10^3$	2.09 $\times 10^1$
R24	CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_in} #3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ H ₂ O#3+#3	1.12	0.01	2.09 $\times 10^1$	2.66 $\times 10^1$
R25	CH ₂ H ₂ O#3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ #3+H ₂ O	0.08	0.08	4.13 $\times 10^6$	2.82 $\times 10^7$
R26	CH ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ #3+#2	0.21	-2.18	6.49 $\times 10^{10}$	1.18 $\times 10^{-12}$
R27	CH ₃ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₄ #3+#2	2.21	-0.96	8.92 $\times 10^{-11}$	8.64 $\times 10^{-21}$
R28	CH ₄ #3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₄ +#3	0.15	0.15	8.15 $\times 10^5$	2.99 $\times 10^7$
R29	CH ₄ #5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₄ +#5	0.15	0.15	8.15 $\times 10^5$	2.99 $\times 10^7$

Table S10. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE), reaction rates for forward (k_f) and reverse reactions (k_r) of the considered elementary steps on Zn₁-MoS₂.

	Reactions	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)	k_f	k_r
R1	$H_2\#1 \rightleftharpoons H_2\#1$	0.00	-0.04	8.44×10^7	3.23×10^7
R2	$H_2\#1 + \#2 \rightleftharpoons H_a\#1 + H_a\#2$	0.95	-0.71	1.24×10^3	4.87×10^{-5}
R3	$H\#1 + \#4 \rightleftharpoons \#1 + H\#4$	1.39	1.15	3.19×10^{-2}	3.16×10^{10}
R4	$CO_{2(g)}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CO_2\#3$	0.00	-0.05	1.81×10^7	5.44×10^6
R5(I')	$CO_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#2$	1.69	0.78	2.37×10^{-5}	3.24×10^3
R6(I)	$CO_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#4$	0.62	-0.29	3.43×10^6	3.24×10^3
R7(II')	$COOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	0.80	0.30	4.55×10^4	6.13×10^7
R8(II)	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.03	-0.60	4.90×10^{12}	2.70×10^6
R9(II'')	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons HCOOH + \#3$	1.03	-1.16	1.82×10^2	1.44×10^{-10}
R10(III')	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	1.09	-0.43	4.30×10^1	1.41×10^{-3}
R11(III)	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.60	-1.42	5.55×10^6	6.73×10^{-9}
R12(IV')	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O + \#2$	0.98	0.48	6.03×10^2	6.13×10^7
R13(IV)	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O + \#3$	0.02	-0.71	6.23×10^{12}	2.44×10^5
R14(V')	$CHOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#2$	0.92	-0.89	2.55×10^3	1.33×10^{-6}
R15(V)	$CHOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#4$	0.20	-1.91	8.25×10^{10}	9.85×10^{-10}
R16	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#2 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 + \#2$	0.30	-0.15	7.47×10^9	2.04×10^8
R17	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 + \#4$	0.82	-0.28	2.81×10^4	3.38×10^1
R18(VI')	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#5$	0.30	-0.76	7.47×10^9	8.83×10^1
R19(VI'')	$CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#5 + \#3$	1.83	-0.07	8.20×10^{-7}	1.53×10^{-7}
R20(VI)	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#4$	0.82	-1.04	2.81×10^4	3.99×10^{-7}
R21	$CH_3OH\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#3$	0.10	0.10	1.92×10^6	2.12×10^7
R22	$CH_3OH\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#5$	0.10	0.10	1.92×10^6	2.12×10^7
R23	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#5$	0.80	0.65	4.55×10^4	2.74×10^{11}
R24	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#3$	0.85	-0.18	1.37×10^4	1.82×10^2
R25	$CH_2H_2O\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2\#3 + H_2O$	0.22	0.22	1.43×10^5	2.82×10^7
R26	$CH_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3\#3 + \#2$	0.37	-1.61	1.39×10^9	2.24×10^{-8}
R27	$CH_3\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_4\#3 + \#2$	2.58	-0.16	1.23×10^{-14}	2.64×10^{-16}
R28	$CH_4\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#3$	0.12	0.12	1.68×10^6	2.99×10^7
R29	$CH_4\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#5$	0.12	0.12	1.68×10^6	2.99×10^7

Table S11. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE), reaction rates for forward (k_f) and reverse reactions (k_r) of the considered elementary steps on Pd₁-MoS₂.

	Reactions	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)	k_f	k_r
R1	$H_2\#1 \rightleftharpoons H_2\#1$	0.00	0.00	8.44×10^7	8.44×10^7
R2	$H_2\#1 + \#2 \rightleftharpoons H_a\#1 + H_a\#2$	1.08	-0.44	5.46×10^1	1.41×10^{-3}
R3	$H\#1 + \#4 \rightleftharpoons \#1 + H\#4$	1.37	0.98	5.16×10^{-2}	8.61×10^8
R4	$CO_{2(g)}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CO_2\#3$	0.00	0.00	1.81×10^7	1.81×10^7
R5(I')	$CO_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#2$	1.34	0.88	1.06×10^{-1}	1.60×10^8
R6(I)	$CO_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons COOH\#3 + \#4$	0.96	0.01	9.75×10^2	1.24×10^3
R7(II')	$COOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	0.84	-0.20	1.74×10^4	1.43×10^2
R8(II)	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons C(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.10	-0.63	9.12×10^{11}	2.44×10^5
R9(II'')	$COOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons HCOOH + \#3$	0.97	-1.23	7.67×10^2	1.13×10^{-10}
R10(III')	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#2$	0.91	-1.40	3.24×10^3	8.07×10^{-12}
R11(III)	$C(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH(OH)_2\#3 + \#4$	0.29	-1.99	9.50×10^9	1.66×10^{-11}
R12(IV')	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O + \#2$	0.91	-0.02	3.24×10^3	2.00×10^3
R13(IV)	$CH(OH)_2\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CHOH\#3 + H_2O + \#3$	0.01	-0.78	7.92×10^{12}	5.79×10^4
R14(V')	$CHOH\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#2$	0.84	-1.92	1.74×10^4	1.63×10^{-16}
R15(V)	$CHOH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + \#4$	0.08	-2.50	1.47×10^{12}	1.23×10^{-14}
R16	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#2 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 + \#2$	0.18	-0.19	1.33×10^{11}	1.39×10^9
R17	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 + \#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 + \#4$	0.96	-0.19	9.75×10^2	1.02×10^1
R18(VI')	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#5$	0.29	-0.86	9.50×10^9	1.02×10^1
R19(VI'')	$CH_2OH\#5 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#5 + \#3$	1.31	-0.55	2.18×10^{-1}	3.99×10^{-7}
R20(VI)	$CH_2OH\#3 + H\#4 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH\#3 + \#4$	0.96	-1.13	9.75×10^2	1.59×10^{-9}
R21	$CH_3OH\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#3$	0.10	0.10	1.92×10^6	2.12×10^7
R22	$CH_3OH\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + \#5$	0.10	0.10	1.92×10^6	2.12×10^7
R23	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_out}\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#5$	0.98	-0.13	6.03×10^2	2.66×10^1
R24	$CH_2OH\#3 + H_{c_in}\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2H_2O\#3 + \#3$	1.29	0.17	3.52×10^{-1}	2.09×10^1
R25	$CH_2H_2O\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_2\#3 + H_2O$	0.07	0.07	5.26×10^6	2.82×10^7
R26	$CH_2\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3\#3 + \#2$	0.01	-2.49	7.92×10^{12}	8.42×10^{-14}
R27	$CH_3\#3 + H\#2 \rightleftharpoons CH_4\#3 + \#2$	2.58	-0.16	1.23×10^{-14}	2.64×10^{-16}
R28	$CH_4\#3 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#3$	0.00	-0.01	2.99×10^7	2.35×10^7
R29	$CH_4\#5 \rightleftharpoons CH_4 + \#5$	0.00	-0.01	2.99×10^7	2.35×10^7

Table S12. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE), reaction rates for forward (k_f) and reverse reactions (k_r) of the considered elementary steps on Cu₁-MoS₂.

	Reactions	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)	k_f	k_r
R1	H ₂ +#1 $\rightleftharpoons$ H ₂ #1	0.00	0.09	8.44 $\times 10^7$	7.33 $\times 10^8$
R2	H ₂ #1+#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ H _a #1+H _a #2	0.79	-1.05	5.79 $\times 10^4$	6.45 $\times 10^{-7}$
R3	H#1+#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ #1+H#4	1.63	1.43	1.00 $\times 10^{-4}$	8.25 $\times 10^{10}$
R4	CO _{2(g)} +#3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CO ₂ #3	0.00	-0.02	1.81 $\times 10^7$	1.12 $\times 10^7$
R5(I')	CO ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ COOH#3+#2	1.83	0.72	8.20 $\times 10^{-7}$	2.66 $\times 10^1$
R6(I)	CO ₂ #3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ COOH#3+#4	0.55	-0.63	1.84 $\times 10^7$	4.95 $\times 10^0$
R7(II')	COOH#3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.99	0.39	4.74 $\times 10^2$	5.55 $\times 10^6$
R8(II)	COOH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ C(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.08	-0.54	1.47 $\times 10^{12}$	3.43 $\times 10^6$
R9(II'')	COOH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ HCOOH+#3	1.14	-0.17	1.29 $\times 10^1$	2.18 $\times 10^{-1}$
R10(III')	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH(OH) ₂ #3+#2	1.12	-0.51	2.09 $\times 10^1$	1.00 $\times 10^{-4}$
R11(III)	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.53	-1.59	2.98 $\times 10^7$	7.75 $\times 10^{-10}$
R12(IV')	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#2	0.95	0.48	1.24 $\times 10^3$	1.26 $\times 10^8$
R13(IV)	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.01	-0.81	7.92 $\times 10^{12}$	2.81 $\times 10^4$
R14(V')	CHOH#3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#3+#2	0.82	-0.87	2.81 $\times 10^4$	2.37 $\times 10^{-5}$
R15(V)	CHOH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#3+#4	0.17	-2.08	1.70 $\times 10^{11}$	3.41 $\times 10^{-11}$
R16	CH ₂ OH#3+H#2+#5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#5+H _{c_in} #3+#2	0.59	-0.01	7.06 $\times 10^6$	5.55 $\times 10^6$
R17	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4+#5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_out} #5+#4	0.87	0.22	8.47 $\times 10^3$	1.67 $\times 10^6$
R18(VI')	CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_out} #5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH#3+#5	0.26	-0.68	1.95 $\times 10^{10}$	1.58 $\times 10^3$
R19(VI'')	CH ₂ OH#5+H _{c_in} #3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH#5+#3	1.81	-0.54	1.33 $\times 10^{-6}$	3.09 $\times 10^{-12}$
R20(VI)	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH#3+#4	0.82	-1.04	2.81 $\times 10^4$	3.99 $\times 10^{-7}$
R21	CH ₃ OH#3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH+#3	0.00	0.00	2.12 $\times 10^7$	2.12 $\times 10^7$
R22	CH ₃ OH#5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ OH+#5	0.00	0.00	2.12 $\times 10^7$	2.12 $\times 10^7$
R23	CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_out} #5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ H ₂ O#3+#5	0.84	-0.21	1.74 $\times 10^4$	1.12 $\times 10^2$
R24	CH ₂ OH#3+H _{c_in} #3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ H ₂ O#3+#3	1.40	0.78	2.51 $\times 10^{-2}$	3.43 $\times 10^6$
R25	CH ₂ H ₂ O#3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₂ #3+H ₂ O	0.08	0.08	4.13 $\times 10^6$	2.82 $\times 10^7$
R26	CH ₂ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₃ #3+#2	0.38	-1.73	1.09 $\times 10^9$	9.85 $\times 10^{-10}$
R27	CH ₃ #3+H#2 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₄ #3+#2	2.68	0.05	1.12 $\times 10^{-15}$	3.71 $\times 10^{-15}$
R28	CH ₄ #3 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₄ +#3	0.01	0.01	2.35 $\times 10^7$	2.99 $\times 10^7$
R29	CH ₄ #5 $\rightleftharpoons$ CH ₄ +#5	0.01	0.01	2.35 $\times 10^7$	2.99 $\times 10^7$

Table S13. The theoretical TOF (h^{-1}) to produce CH_3OH , HCOOH and CH_4 on each $\text{M}_1\text{-MoS}_2$.

TOF	Pt ₁ -MoS ₂	Ni ₁ -MoS ₂	Rh ₁ -MoS ₂	Zn ₁ -MoS ₂	Pd ₁ -MoS ₂	Cu ₁ -MoS ₂
CH₃OH	3.02	80.81	6.67	2.76	0.77	0.12
HCOOH	2.37×10^{-10}	3.41×10^{-10}	8.66×10^{-10}	6.35×10^{-6}	2.35×10^{-8}	1.87×10^{-7}
CH₄	7.29×10^{-9}	1.79×10^{-106}	3.30×10^{-116}	4.56×10^{-103}	1.22×10^{-113}	2.25×10^{-92}

Table S14. The energy barriers (E_a), reaction energies (ΔE) of the hydrogenation of C-containing species along the comparable CO₂ hydrogenation pathway on Ni₁, Pt₁, Rh₁, Zn₁, Pd₁, Cu₁-MoS₂.

M ₁ -MoS ₂	Reaction Step	E_a (eV)	ΔE (eV)
Ni ₁ -MoS ₂	CO ₂ #3+H#2⇌COOH#3+#2	1.34	0.67
	COOH#3+H#2⇌C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.51	-0.38
	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CH(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.78	-1.85
	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.07	-0.83
	CHOH#3+H#4⇌CH ₂ OH#3+#2	0.51	-2.38
	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4⇌CH ₃ OH#3+#4	1.13	-0.73
	CH ₃ OH#5⇌CH ₃ OH+#5	0.04	0.04
Pt ₁ -MoS ₂	CO ₂ #3+H#4⇌COOH#3+#4	0.35	-0.14
	COOH#3+H#2⇌C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.67	-0.29
	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CH(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.13	-2.25
	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.01	-0.83
	CHOH#3+H#2⇌CH ₂ OH#3+#2	0.56	-2.07
	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4⇌CH ₃ OH#3+#4	0.87	-0.24
	CH ₃ OH#5⇌CH ₃ OH+#5	0.64	0.64
Rh ₁ -MoS ₂ (a)	CO ₂ #3+H#2⇌COOH#3+#2	1.20	0.76
	COOH#3+H#4⇌C(OH) ₂ #3+#4	0.08	-0.67
	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#2⇌CH(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.55	-1.69
	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.23	-1.01
	CHOH#3+H#2⇌CH ₂ OH#3+#2	0.93	-2.09
	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4⇌CH ₃ OH#3+#4	0.85	-1.29
	CH ₃ OH#5⇌CH ₃ OH+#5	0.00	-0.01
Rh ₁ -MoS ₂ (b)	CO ₂ #3+H#2⇌COOH#3+#2	1.20	0.76
	COOH#3+H#2⇌C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.70	-0.05
	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#2⇌CH(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.55	-1.69
	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.23	-1.01
	CHOH#3+H#4⇌CH ₂ OH#3+#4	0.25	-2.69
	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4⇌CH ₃ OH#3+#4	0.85	-1.29
	CH ₃ OH#3⇌CH ₃ OH+#3	0.00	-0.01
Zn ₁ -MoS ₂ (a)	CO ₂ #3+H#2⇌COOH#3+#2	1.69	0.78
	COOH#3+H#2⇌C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.80	0.30
	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#2⇌CH(OH) ₂ #3+#2	1.09	-0.43
	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.02	-0.71
	CH ₂ OH#3+H#4⇌CH ₃ OH#3+#4	0.82	-1.04
	CH ₃ OH#5⇌CH ₃ OH+#5	0.10	0.10
Zn ₁ -MoS ₂ (b)	CO ₂ #3+H#4⇌COOH#3+#4	0.62	-0.29
	COOH#3+H#2⇌C(OH) ₂ #3+#2	0.80	0.30
	C(OH) ₂ #3+H#2⇌CH(OH) ₂ #3+#2	1.09	-0.43
	CH(OH) ₂ #3+H#4⇌CHOH#3+H ₂ O+#3	0.02	-0.71
	CHOH#3+H#2⇌CH ₂ OH#3+#2	0.92	-0.89

	$\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#3+\#4$	0.82	-1.04
	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#5\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}+\#5$	0.10	0.10
Pd ₁ -MoS ₂ (a)	$\text{CO}_2\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{COOH}\#3+\#2$	1.34	0.88
	$\text{COOH}\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#2$	0.84	-0.20
	$\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#4$	0.29	-1.99
	$\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}_2\text{O}+\#3$	0.01	-0.78
	$\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\#2$	0.08	-2.50
	$\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#3+\#4$	0.96	-1.13
	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#5\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}+\#5$	0.10	0.10
	$\text{CO}_2\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{COOH}\#3+\#2$	1.34	0.88
Pd ₁ -MoS ₂ (b)	$\text{COOH}\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#2$	0.84	-0.20
	$\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#2$	0.91	-1.40
	$\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}_2\text{O}+\#3$	0.01	-0.78
	$\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\#2$	0.08	-2.50
	$\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#3+\#4$	0.96	-1.13
	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#5\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}+\#5$	0.10	0.10
	$\text{CO}_2\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{COOH}\#3+\#2$	1.34	0.88
	$\text{CO}_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{COOH}\#3+\#4$	0.96	0.01
Pd ₁ -MoS ₂ (c)	$\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#4$	0.29	-1.99
	$\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}_2\text{O}+\#3$	0.01	-0.78
	$\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\#2$	0.08	-2.50
	$\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#3+\#4$	0.96	-1.13
	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#5\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}+\#5$	0.10	0.10
	$\text{CO}_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{COOH}\#3+\#4$	0.55	-0.63
	$\text{COOH}\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#2$	0.99	0.39
	$\text{C}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\#2$	1.12	-0.51
Cu ₁ -MoS ₂	$\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}_2\text{O}+\#3$	0.01	-0.81
	$\text{CHOH}\#3+\text{H}\#2\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\#2$	0.82	-0.87
	$\text{CH}_2\text{OH}\#3+\text{H}\#4\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#3+\#4$	0.82	-1.04
	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}\#5\rightleftharpoons\text{CH}_3\text{OH}+\#5$	0.00	0.00

Table S15. The coverage of all carbon-containing intermediates on Ni₁, Pt₁, Rh₁, Zn₁, Pd₁, Cu₁-MoS₂.

	θ^*_{COOH}	$\theta^*_{\text{C(OH)2}}$	$\theta^*_{\text{CH(OH)2}}$	θ^*_{CHOH}	θ^*_{CH2OH}
Ni ₁ -MoS ₂	1.88×10^{-8}	1.99×10^{-4}	8.75×10^{-12}	3.40×10^{-7}	9.98×10^{-1}
Pt ₁ -MoS ₂	1.54×10^{-9}	2.96×10^{-9}	1.72×10^{-10}	5.45×10^{-11}	9.74×10^{-1}
Rh ₁ -MoS ₂	2.86×10^{-9}	1.12×10^{-10}	3.30×10^{-7}	3.53×10^{-7}	9.70×10^{-1}
Zn ₁ -MoS ₂	8.65×10^{-5}	1.76×10^{-5}	1.09×10^{-9}	6.48×10^{-8}	2.42×10^{-1}
Pd ₁ -MoS ₂	2.37×10^{-8}	3.25×10^{-8}	7.57×10^{-11}	3.94×10^{-10}	6.15×10^{-1}
Cu ₁ -MoS ₂	1.98×10^{-3}	1.73×10^{-6}	1.92×10^{-9}	1.32×10^{-9}	5.78×10^{-1}

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