

Supplementary Information

Pt-Ni single atom alloy: Maximized synergistic effect for NO reduction with CO

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Supplementary Figures and Tables

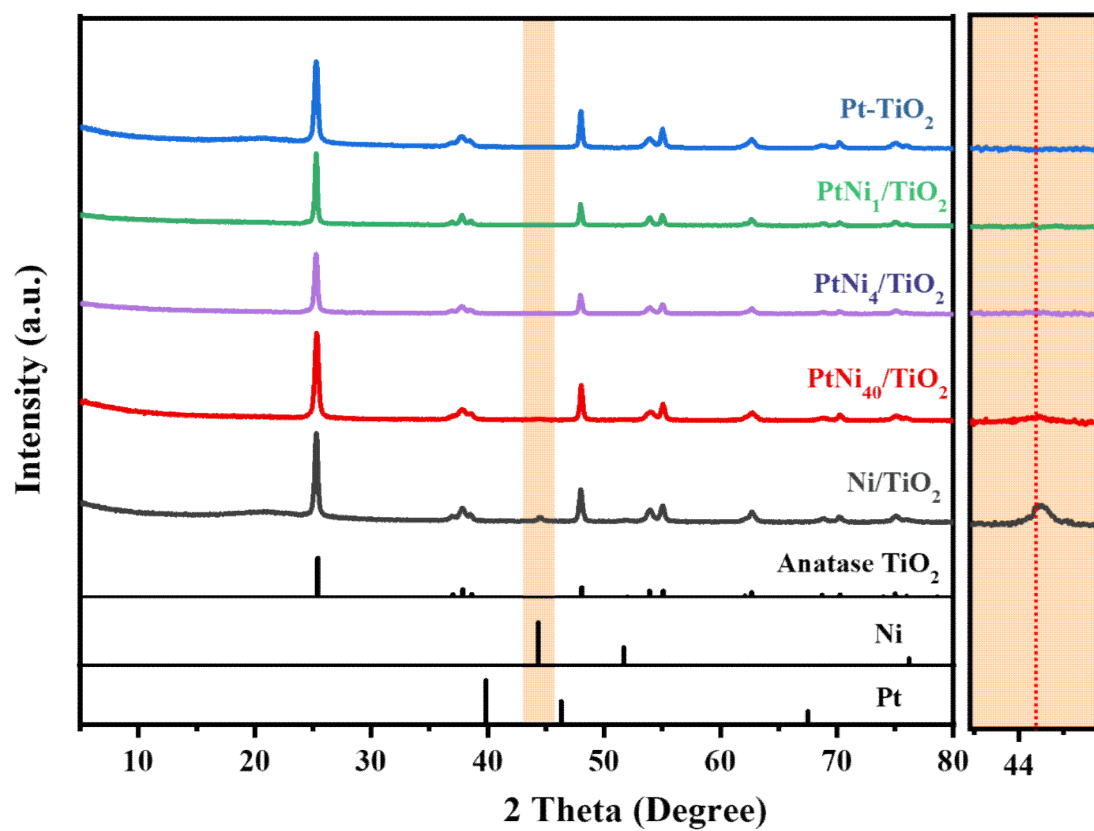


Figure S1. XRD patterns of PtNi_x/TiO₂ catalysts with various Pt/Ni ratios.

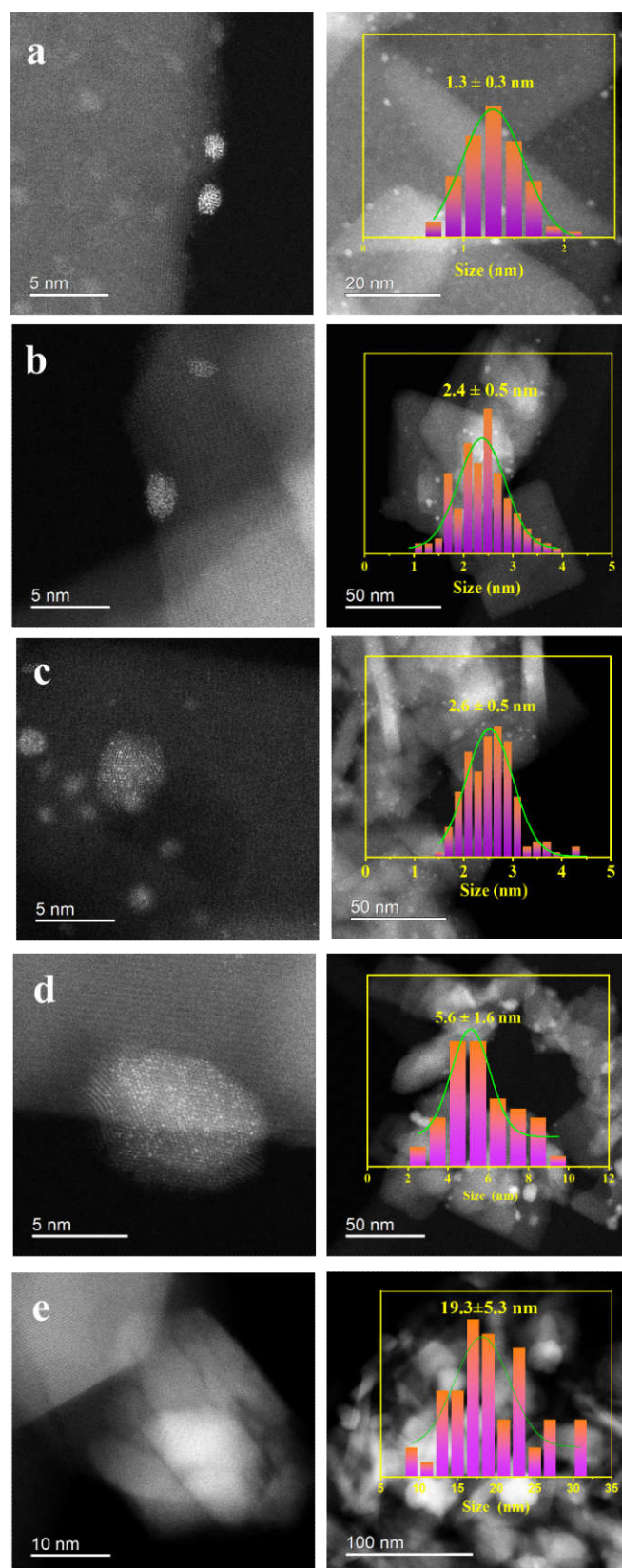


Figure S2. Aberration-corrected HAADF-STEM images taken from different areas and particle size distributions of the (a) Pt/TiO₂, (b) PtNi₁/TiO₂, (c) PtNi₄/TiO₂, (d) PtNi₄₀/TiO₂ and (e) Ni/TiO₂, respectively.

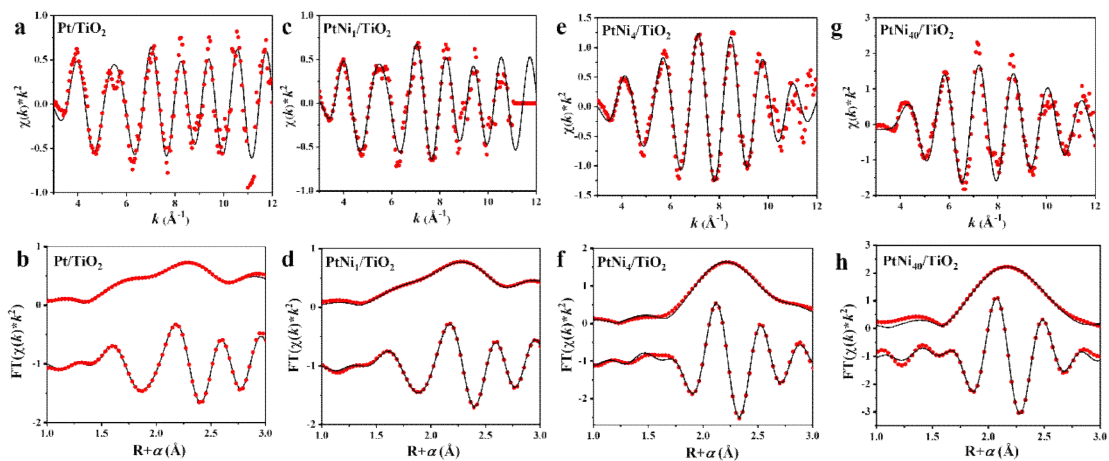


Figure S3. Pt L₃-edge EXAFS (points) and the curvefit (line) for Pt/TiO₂ (a,b), PtNi₁/TiO₂ (c, d), PtNi₄/TiO₂ (e, f) , PtNi₄₀/TiO₂ (g, h) shown in k³ weighted k-space and R-space (FT magnitude and imaginary component) respectively.

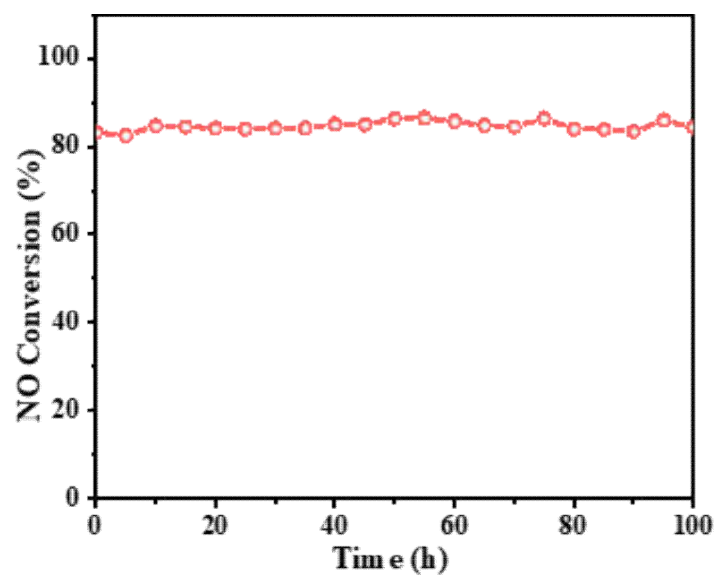


Figure S4. Stability test of PtNi₄₀/TiO₂ SAA catalyst at 250 °C. Reaction conditions: 30mg catalyst, 0.2% CO, 0.2% NO, He balance; total flow rate: 33.3mL/min.

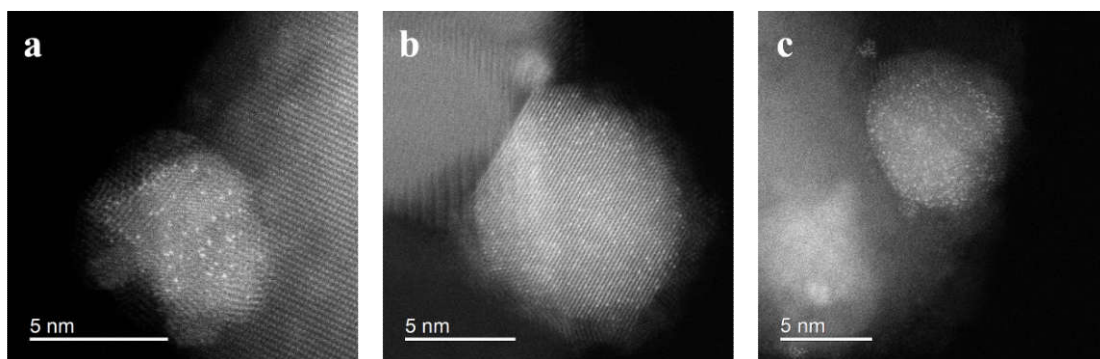


Figure S5. Aberration-corrected HAADF-STEM images of PtNi₄₀/TiO₂ SAA catalyst after 100-h reaction.

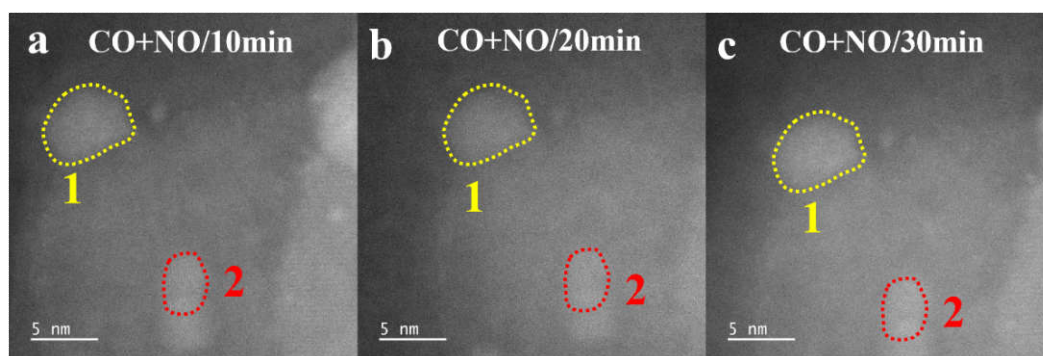


Figure S6. *in situ* observation of PtNi₄₀/TiO₂ by ETEM in 2 mbar CO + NO (molar ratio 1:1) atmosphere at 400 °C.

After exposure to 2 mbar atmosphere of CO and NO (1:1 molar ratio) at 400 °C for 30 min, both particles 1 and 2 (circled in yellow and red, respectively) maintained their original morphology without observable reconstruction or shape change. This demonstrates the high structural stability of the PtNi₄₀/TiO₂ catalyst under reaction conditions.

Table S1. The physico-chemical properties of different catalysts

Samples	Metal loading ^a (wt%)		BET surface area (m ² /g)	Pt ⁴⁺ →Pt ⁰		Ni ²⁺ →Ni ⁰	
	Pt	Ni		Reduction temperature (°C) ^b	H ₂ consumption (μmol/g)	Reduction temperature (°C) ^b	H ₂ consumption (μmol/g)
Pt/TiO ₂	0.48	-	50.0	59	252	-	-
PtNi ₁ /TiO ₂	0.50	0.16	48.6	100	206	319	33
PtNi ₄ /TiO ₂	0.51	0.58	46.0	114	230	323	139
PtNi ₄₀ /TiO ₂	0.49	6.0	45.7	94	200	348	677
Ni/TiO ₂	-	6.0	42.8	-	-	410	1273
TiO ₂	-	-	50.9	-	-	-	-

^a: Determined by ICP-OES^b: Determined by H₂-TPR

Table S2. The best-fitted results of the EXAFS data at the Pt L₃-edge of different samples ^a.

Samples	Path	R(Å)	CN ^a	ΔE_0 (eV)	σ^2 (Å ²)	R factor (%)
Pt foil ^b	Pt - Pt	2.76+/-0.00	12	7.7+/-0.5	0.004+/-0.000	0.2
Pt/TiO ₂	Pt - Cl	2.26+/-0.01	0.8+/-0.1	6.8+/-1.0	0.004+/-0.001	0.3
	Pt - Pt	2.74+/-0.01	6.2+/-0.8		0.004+/-0.001	
PtNi ₁ /TiO ₂	Pt - Cl	2.29+/-0.01	0.9+/-0.1	8.5+/-0.9	0.006+/-0.001	0.3
	Pt - Pt	2.75+/-0.01	7.2+/-0.9		0.006+/-0.001	
PtNi ₄ /TiO ₂	Pt - Ni	2.57+/-0.02	3.9+/-1.2	5.5+/-2.0	0.005+/-0.002	0.6
	Pt - Pt	2.67+/-0.03	4.8+/-1.8		0.005+/-0.002	
PtNi ₄₀ /TiO ₂ ^c	Pt - Ni	2.54+/-0.00	9.3+/-1.0	6.0+/-1.3	0.007+/-0.001	1.0

^aCN is the coordination number (error: $\pm 20\%$) for the absorber-backscatterer pair; R is the average absorber-backscatterer distance (error: $\pm 1\%$); σ^2 is the Debye–Waller factor; ΔE_0 is the inner potential correction. S_0^2 was fixed as 0.78. Data ranges: $3.0 \leq k \leq 10.0 \text{ Å}^{-1}$, $1.2 \leq R \leq 3.0 \text{ Å}$. ^bThe CN for Pt-Pt was fixed as 12 based on Pt foil crystal structure (Pt mp-126). ^cData ranges: $3.0 \leq k \leq 11.3 \text{ Å}^{-1}$, $1.2 \leq R \leq 3.0 \text{ Å}$.

Table S3. The dispersion of Pt species and the TOF of different catalysts.

Samples	Pt dispersion (%)^a	TOF (h⁻¹)
Pt/TiO ₂	47.6	35.7
PtNi ₁ /TiO ₂	37.3	73.8
PtNi ₄ /TiO ₂	60.4	81.6
PtNi ₄₀ /TiO ₂	75.6	127.2
0.1PtNi ₄₀ /TiO ₂	84.1	129.5
PtNi ₈₀ /TiO ₂	66.8	129.0
PtNi ₁₆₀ /TiO ₂	61.4	133.8

^a: Determined by H₂-O₂ titration.

Table S4. Activation energy (E_a) and reaction energy (ΔE) for NO adsorption, the dissociation of adsorbed NO, and the formation of N_2 and CO_2 reaction on Pt₁/Ni and Pt surface.

Reactions	Ea (eV)	
	Pt ₁ Ni (111)	Pt (111)
$NO(g) \rightarrow NO^*$	/	/
$NO^* \rightarrow N^*+O^*$	1.37	2.08
$N^*+N^* \rightarrow N_2^*$	1.63	2.06
$CO^*+O^* \rightarrow CO_2^*$	1.04	1.02