Fischer–Tropsch synthesis of the ZSM5–mixed Co–promoter/SiO $_2$ catalysts for the production of middle distillates

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Fischer–Tropsch synthesis (FTS) reaction for direct production of gasoline and middle distillate range hydrocarbons (C_5-C_{22}) from synthesis gas was studied on ZSM5–mixed cobalt–based with addition promoter on SiO₂ FTS catalysts. FTS catalysts were prepared by conventional impregnation method using cobalt nitrate precursor and various promoter addition in a slurry of SiO₂ and then the final catalysts with the incorporation of ZSM5 (Si/Al ratio = 40) was subsequently prepared by in–situ hydrothermal synthesis with the presence of Co/SiO₂ catalyst. The catalytic performance was altered with the variation of physicochemical properties such as surface area, average pore diameter and acidity with a facile reducibility of cobalt oxides on ZSM5–mixed Co–promoeter/SiO₂ catalyst.