

V_2O_5 - TiO_2 Xerogel Prepared by Non-hydrolytic Sol-Gel Method for the Selective Oxidation of H_2S

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Vanadia-titania xerogel catalysts with V_2O_5 contents varying from 6 to 18 wt% were prepared by nonhydrolytic sol-gel method. The catalysts were then characterized by X-ray diffraction, BET, micro-FT-Raman spectroscopy. In this study, we examined the selective oxidation of hydrogen sulfide using V_2O_5 - TiO_2 xerogel catalysts. These catalysts showed very high conversion of H_2S without harmful emission of SO_2 . The conversion of H_2S was over 92% at 220-300°C with the reactant composition of $H_2S/O_2/H_2O/He = 5/2.5/20/72.5$ and $GHSV = 30,000 h^{-1}$.