Importance of Exsolution in Transition Metal (Co, Rh, and Ir)-doped LaCrO₃ Perovskite Catalysts for Boosting Dry Reforming of CH₄ Using CO₂ for Hydrogen Production

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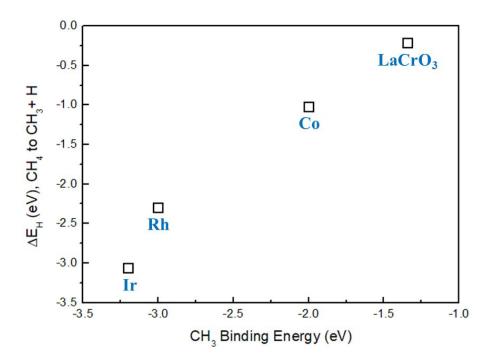


Figure S1. Reaction energies of the dehydrogenation of CH₄ versus CH₃ binding energies.

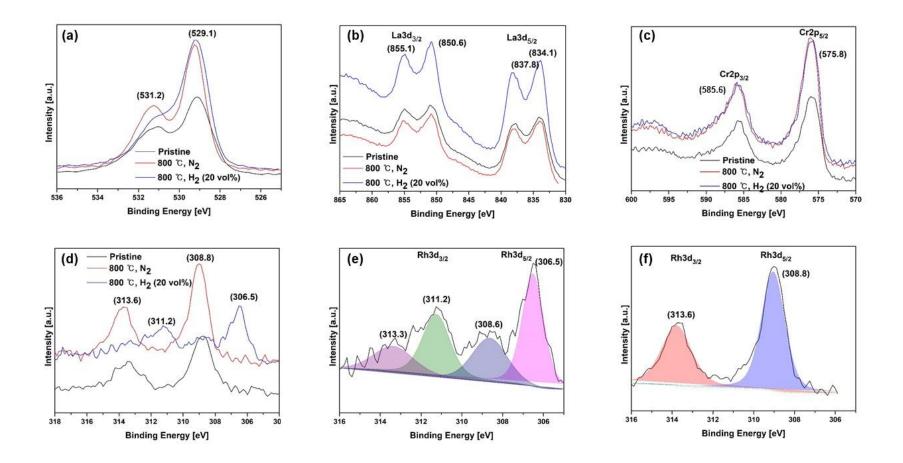


Figure S2. XPS spectra of LaCr_{0.95}Rh_{0.05}O_{3- δ} perovskite-based catalyst: (a) O1s, (b) La3d, (c) Cr2p, (d) Rh3d core-line spectra and curved-fitted Rh3d spectra after treated at 800 °C under (e) N₂ and (f) H₂ (20 vol%) conditions.

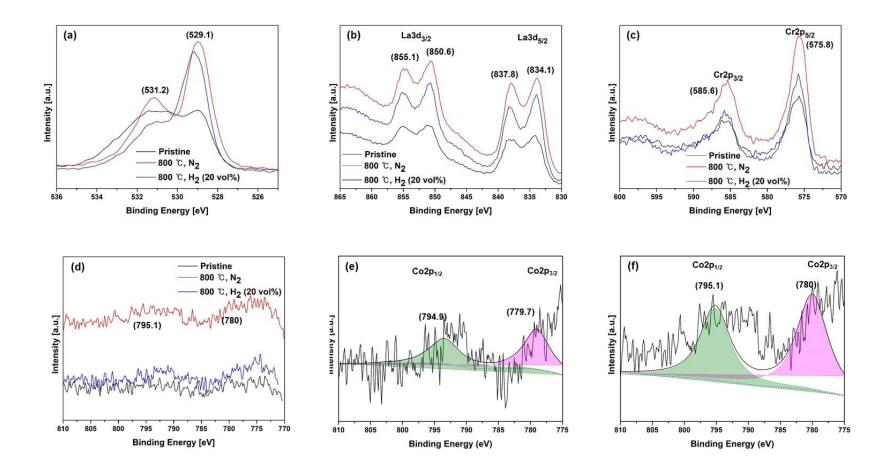


Figure S3. XPS spectra of $LaCr_{0.95}Co_{0.05}O_{3-\delta}$ perovskite-based catalyst: (a) O1s, (b) La3d, (c) Cr2p, (d) Co2p core-line spectra after the heat treatment at 800 °C under (e) N₂ and (f) H₂ (20 vol%) conditions.

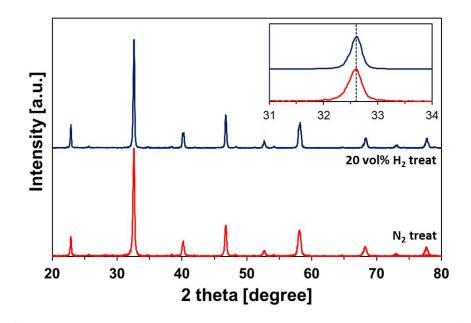


Figure S4. X-ray diffraction spectra of $LaCr_{0.95}Ir_{0.05}O_{3-\delta}$ after N₂ or 20 vol% H₂ (balanced with N₂) treatment. Inset: Detailed XRD spectrum between 31° and 34°.

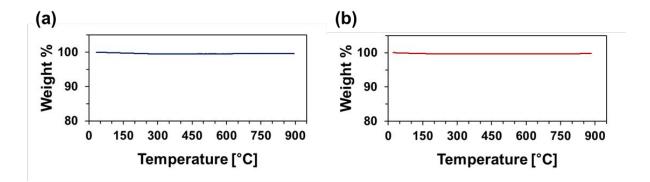


Figure S5. Thermogravimetric analysis of H₂ treated $LaCr_{0.95}Ir_{0.05}O_{3-\delta}$ perovskite-based catalyst at (a) before and (b) after the dry reforming reaction of CH₄ using CO₂ at 750 °C.

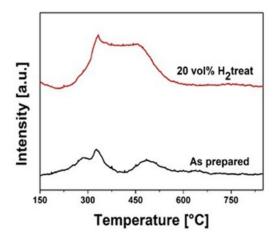


Figure S6. H₂-TPR profile of $LaCr_{0.95}Ir_{0.05}O_{3-\delta}$ at before/after activation under 20 vol% H₂ (balanced with N₂) treatment.