## Integrated Catalysis-Surface Science-Theory Approach to Understand Selectivity in the Hydrogenation of 1-Hexyne to 1-Hexene on PdAu Single-Atom Alloy Catalysts

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Sample	Total metal loading	Pd/Au ratio
Pd <sub>0.004</sub> Au/SiO <sub>2</sub>	3.8 wt%	1/250
Pd <sub>0.01</sub> Au/SiO <sub>2</sub>	3.9 wt%	1/85
Pd <sub>0.2</sub> Au/SiO <sub>2</sub>	4.5 wt%	1/5

Table 1. Metal loading of the samples



**Figure S1.** Powder XRD of PdAu samples with different Pd/Au ratios. The Pd<sub>0.004</sub>Au/SiO<sub>2</sub> is the

single-atom alloy (SAA) sample investigated in this paper.



**Figure S2**. ATR-IR spectra of the CO stretch on unsupported  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA samples. Spectra were collected at 30 °C with different CO partial pressure in the gas phase. The bridge adsorbed CO typically appears at 1920 cm<sup>-1</sup>, which is not observed on the PdAu-SAA sample.



**Figure S3**. Fourier transform of EXAFS spectra of Pd K edge for the  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA/SiO<sub>2</sub> and the EXAFS modeling fitting results.



**Figure S4**. Kinetic Isotope Effect (KIE) measurements. Conversion vs. reaction time for 1-hexyne hydrogenation on  $Pd_{0.004}Au/SiO_2$  catalysts. The initial rate is calculated from the slope of the conversion-time curve. Reaction conditions: 1% hexyne-ethanol solution, 5 bar H<sub>2</sub> or D<sub>2</sub>, 600 rpm, 25 °C.



Figure S5. Arrhenius-type plot for  $H_2$ - $D_2$  exchange over  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst.



Figure S6. 1-hexyne adsorption isotherm at 30° and 60 °C with  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA/SiO<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S7. ATR-IR spectra of liquid 1-hexyne in ATR cell without catalyst.



Figure S8. DRIFT spectra between 3800 and 3450 cm<sup>-1</sup> recorded when 1-hexyne and  $H_2$  are carried over  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA/SiO<sub>2</sub> at room temperature.



Figure S9. ATR-IR collected with 1-hexyne and 120 psi  $H_2$  applied on  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA in the batch

mode at room temperature.



Figure S10. Peak between 3070 and 3100 cm<sup>-1</sup>. ATR-IR spectra were collected with 1-hexyne and 120 psi  $H_2$  applied on  $Pd_{0.004}Au$ -SAA catalysts in the batch mode at room temperature.



PdAu

Pd

**Figure S11**. Transition state geometries for the selective (formation of hexene) and nonselective (over-hydrogenation of the terminal C) pathways on Pd(111) and PdAu(111) SAA.



**Figure S12.** Time-resolved batch reactor data for the hydrogenation of 1-hexyne over  $Pd_{0.004}Au$  - SAA catalysts vs Pd.



**Figure S13**. Ratio between the conversion rate of 1-hexyne and 1-hexene in hydrogenation reaction conditions. Reaction conditions: 1% hexyne-ethanol or hexene-ethanol solution, 5 bar H<sub>2</sub>, 25 °C.