

Supporting Information

CO Adsorption on Au/TiO₂ Catalysts:

Observations, Quantification, and Explanation of a Broad-Band Infrared Signal

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The catalysts used in this study were commercial samples purchased from STREM Chemicals (nominal 1% Au/Al₂O₃ and Au/TiO₂). These catalysts were pretreated by the manufacturer to ensure that particles were of appropriate size (2.9 ± 0.9 nm, Fig. S1) to be active for CO oxidation.

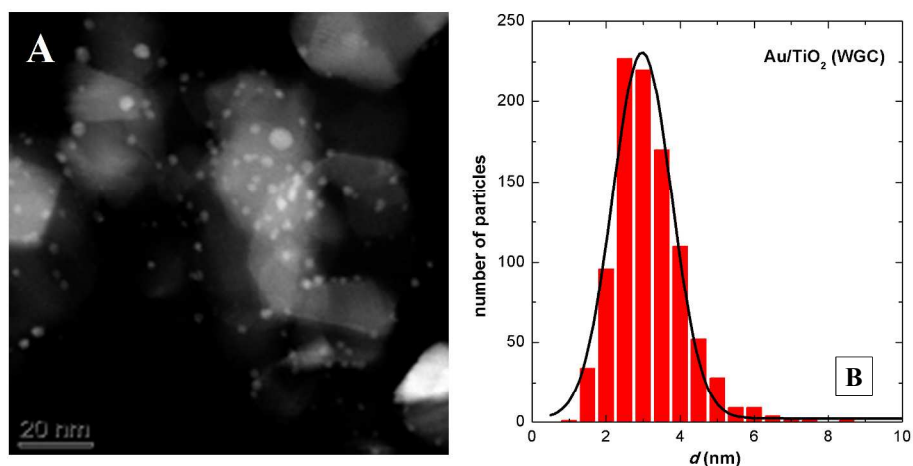


Figure S1. TEM data for Au/TiO₂. TEM micrograph (A) and Particle size distribution (B) of the catalysts used in this study. Mean calculated particle size is 2.9 ± 0.9 nm.

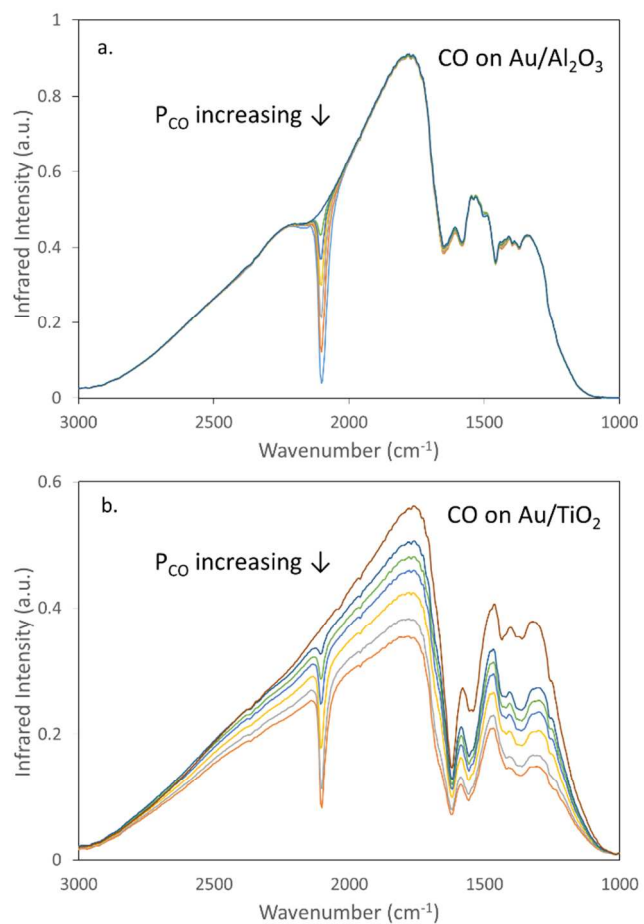


Figure S2. IR transmission spectra for CO adsorption on (a) Au/Al₂O₃ and (b) Au/TiO₂ catalysts (at room temperature for P_{CO} = 1-20 Torr).

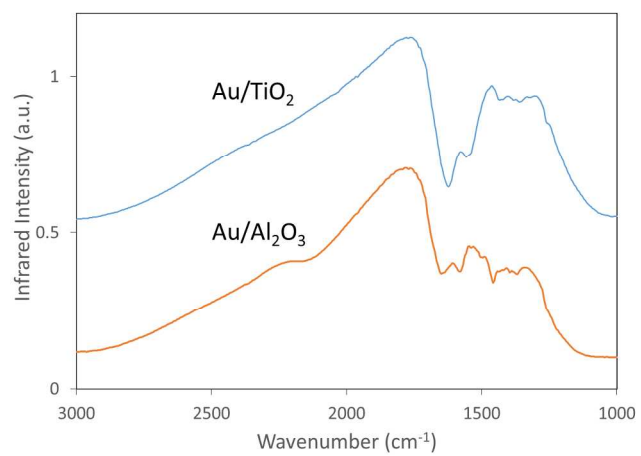


Figure S3. IR transmission spectra for Au/TiO₂ and Au/Al₂O₃ catalysts (in the absence of CO).

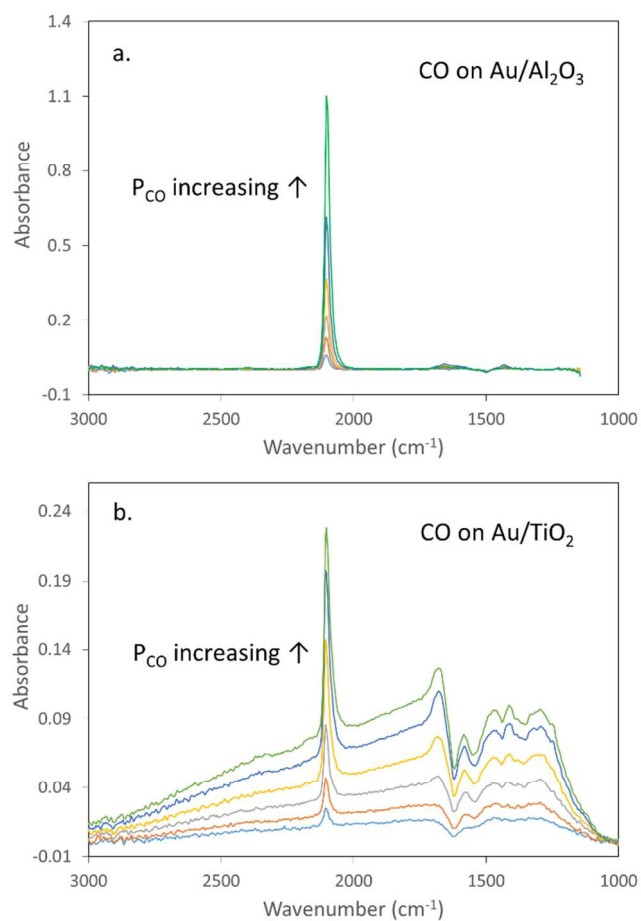


Figure S4. IR absorbance spectra for CO adsorption on (a) Au/Al₂O₃ and (b) Au/TiO₂ catalysts (at room temperature for P_{CO} = 1-20 Torr).

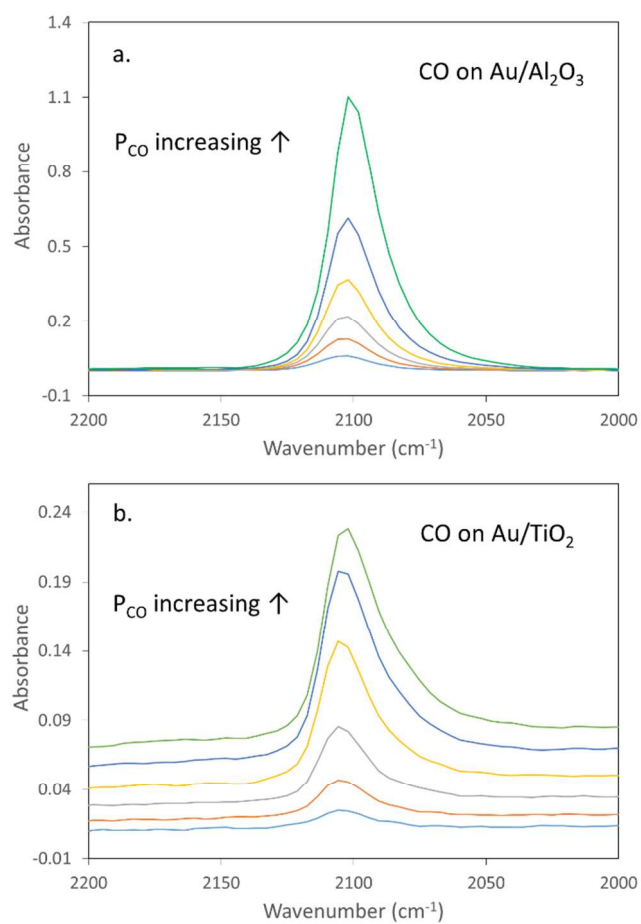


Figure S5. IR absorbance spectra for CO adsorption on (a) $\text{Au}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ and (b) Au/TiO_2 catalysts (at room temperature for $P_{\text{CO}} = 1\text{-}20$ Torr); same spectra as Figure 3 but plotted over a narrower frequency range.

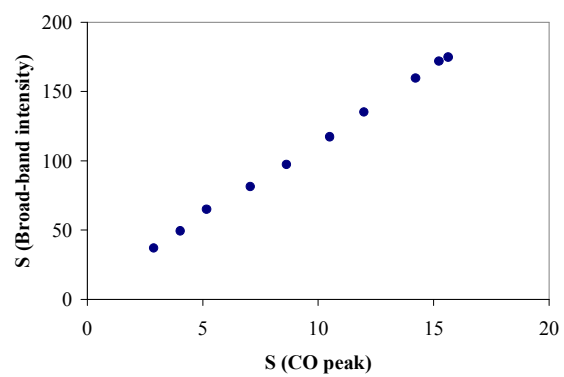


Figure S6. Correlation plot of the BB-IR and the Au-CO IR peak integrated absorbance signals.

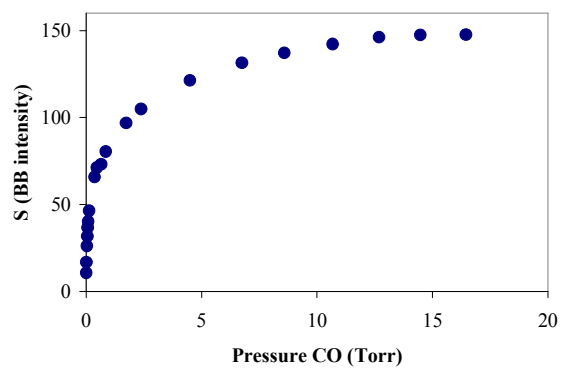


Figure S7. Isotherm for CO adsorption on Au/TiO₂ (at room temperature) using the BB-IR integrated absorbance signal.

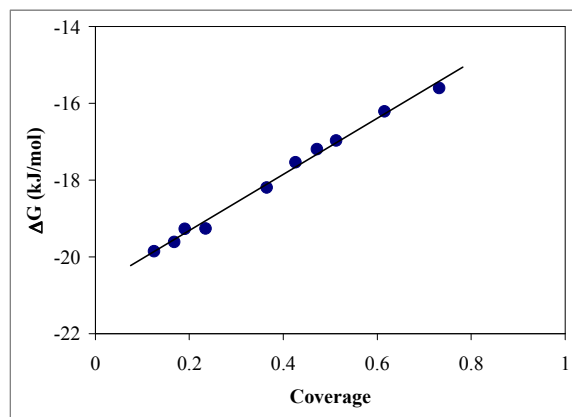


Figure S8. Temkin plot using the BB-IR signal. This plot give $\Delta H_0 = -62.4$ kJ/mol and $\delta\Delta H = -7.3$ kJ/mol (see text for details).

Table S1. Temkin metrics for CO adsorption on Au/TiO₂ determined from CO IR peak and BB-IR signal.

	$-\Delta H_{\theta}$ (kJ/mol)	$-\delta\Delta H$ (kJ/mol)
S (CO peak signal)	61.3 ± 0.4	7.3 ± 0.9
S (BB-IR signal)	62.3 ± 0.7	7.3 ± 0.9