

EDI

Nanosized Linde F

Si(60), Al(40)

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Type Material [Al₄Si₆ O₂₀]

Method J. Kecht, S. Mintova, T. Bein [1]

Batch Composition 2.37 (TMA)₂O : 0.05 Na₂O : 1.00 Al₂O₃ : 4.16 SiO₂ : 244 H₂O : 0.50 CuO : 15 NH₃

Source Materials

colloidal silica, Ludox HS-30 (SiO₂) (30 %, Aldrich)
aluminium isopropoxide (> 98 %, Sigma-Aldrich)
ammonium hydroxide solution (28 wt. % NH₃ in water, Sigma-Aldrich)
copper nitrate trihydrate (Sigma-Aldrich)
tetramethylammonium hydroxide pentahydrate (Sigma)
double distilled water (dd H₂O)

Batch Preparation

- (1) [139 mg Cu(NO₃)₂ + 2.8 g of dd H₂O + 1.0 g of ammonium hydroxide + 0.98 g of TMAOH], mixed well at ambient temperature, then after complete dissolution [468 mg aluminium isopropoxide and 0.96 g silica (HS-30) were added]^a
- (2) Stirring for 30 min (formation of blue-colored transparent suspension)

Crystallization

Vessel: stainless steel autoclave (150 mL)
Aging: 3 days at room temperature
Hydrothermal treatment: 100 °C for 3 days
Agitation: none

Product Recovery

Centrifugation and redispersion in water; washed till pH of 10

Product Characterization

XRD: EDI; competing phases: no
Crystal size: cubic particles with size 80-150 nm

References

[1] J. Kecht, S. Mintova, T. Bein, Micropor. Mesopor. Mater. 116 (2008) 258

Notes

- a. The starting mixture is prepared in a polypropylene bottle