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# Supplementary Data

## Simultaneous formation of sorbitol and gluconic acid from cellobiose by carbon-supported ruthenium catalysts

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Table S1. Reuse experiment of Ru/BP2000 catalyst for cellobiose conversion.<sup>a</sup>

Run	Yield (%C) <sup>b</sup>								Conv. (%)	Recovery of catalyst (%)
	Glu	Sor	Man	Col	Gla	Cac	Byp <sup>c</sup>	Total		
1	25	23 (9.7)	0.7	0.4	34 (15)	3.4	1.0	88	98	94
2	54	11 (4.7)	0.3	0.0	21 (9.0)	1.7	1.0	88	94	95
3	55	10 (4.5)	0.0	0.0	20 (9.1)	0.3	0.9	86	93	—

<sup>a</sup> Cellobiose (205 mg), Ru/BP2000 (2 wt%, 150 mg), water (2.5 mL), 393 K, 16 h, 0.1MPa Ar. The recovered catalyst was washed with hot water/EtOH solution (50 mL, 50:50 vol/vol) and then reused after drying at 383 K. <sup>b</sup> Glu: glucose; Sor: sorbitol; Man: mannitol; Col: cellobitol; Gla: gluconic acid (equilibrium mixture with gluconolactone); Cac: cellobionic acid. Turnover numbers were shown in the parenthesis <sup>c</sup> Total amount of mannose, fructose and levoglucosan.

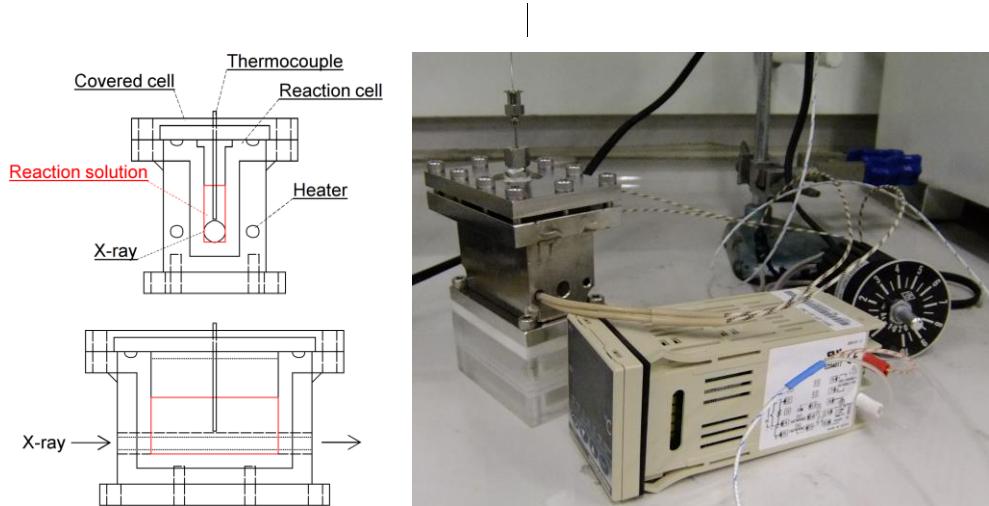


Figure S1. Reactor for the conversion of cellobiose.

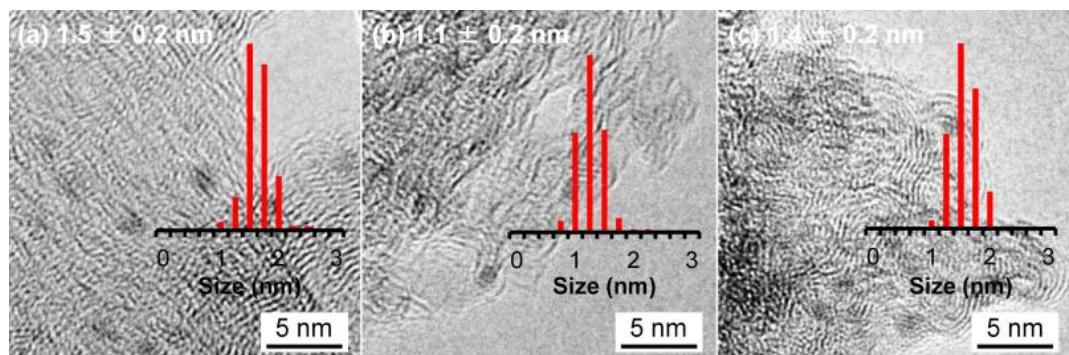


Figure S2. TEM images of (a) Ru/BP2000, (b) Ru/CMK-3, and (c) Ru/AC(N) catalyst.

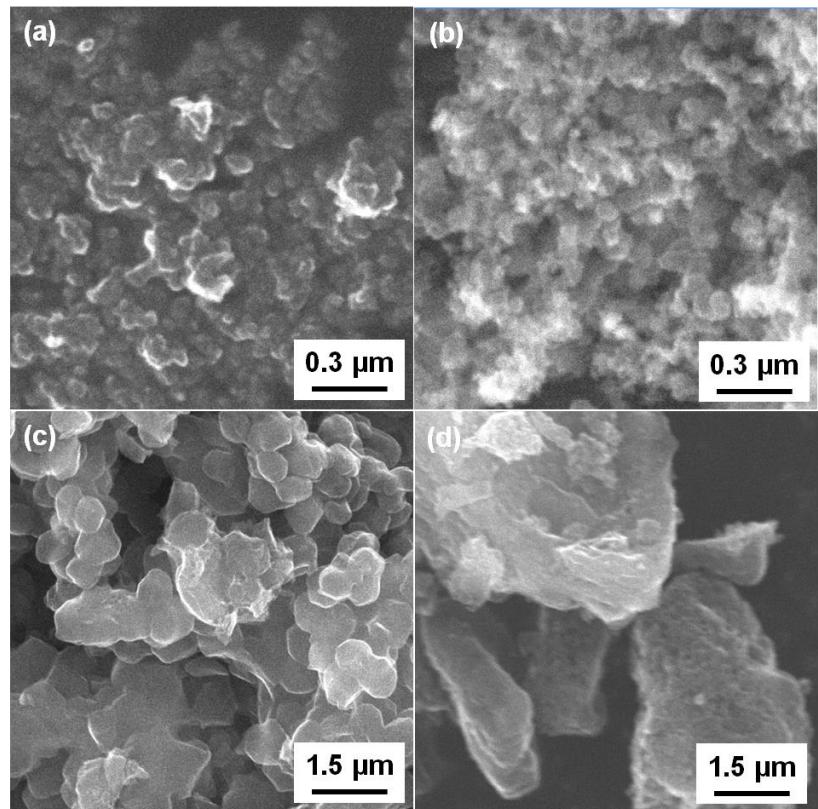


Figure S3. SEM images of (a) Ru/BP2000, (b) Ru/XC72, (c) Ru/CMK-3, and (d) Ru/AC(N) catalyst.