

1 *Supplementary Material*

2 **NiO, Fe₂O₃, and MoO₃ Supported over SiO₂**
 3 **Nanocatalysts for Asphaltene Adsorption and**
 4 **Catalytic Decomposition: Optimization through a**
 5 **Simplex–Centroid Mixture Design of Experiments**

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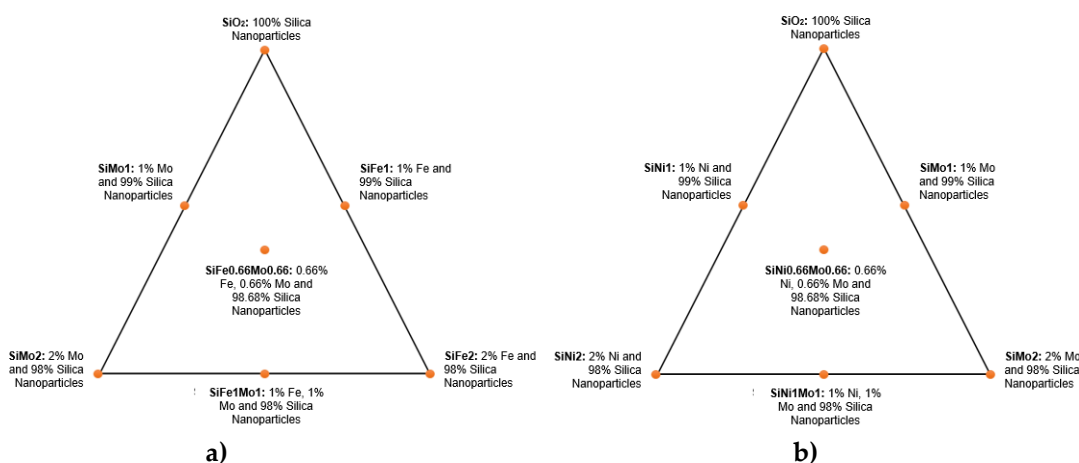
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25 **Figure S1.** Simplex-centroid mixture design with a) fumed silica (SiO₂), iron oxide (Fe) and
 26 molybdenum oxide (Mo); and b) fumed silica (SiO₂), nickel oxide (Ni) and molybdenum oxide (Mo)

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Table S1. Parameters of the surface area design for Si-Fe-Mo

β_1	β_2	β_3	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}	β_{123}
380.00	237.61	279.99	14.5	-138.18	253.04	33.77

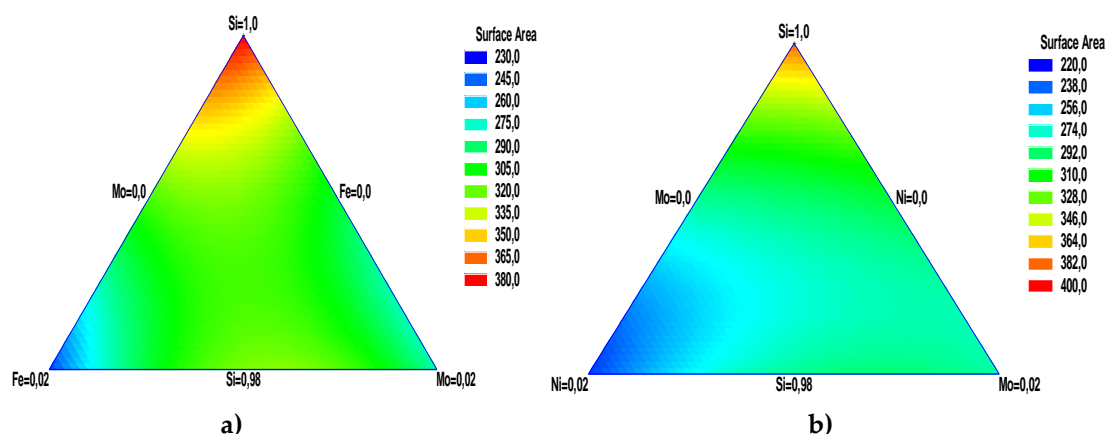
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33**Table S2.** Parameters of the surface area design for Si-Ni-Mo

β_1	β_2	β_3	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}	β_{123}
380.00	228.26	279.99	-102.96	-138.18	116.46	-257.43

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Figure S2. Response surface to surface area of design with a) Si-Fe-Mo and b) Si-Ni-Mo

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Table S3. Parameters of the surface area design for Si-Fe-Ni-Mo

β_1	β_2	β_3	β_4	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{14}	β_{23}	β_{24}
380.15	237.76	228.41	280.14	9.05	-108.40	-143.62	254.25	247.59
β_{34}	β_{123}	β_{124}	β_{134}	β_{234}				
111.09	528.76	135.40	-102.34	-587.44				

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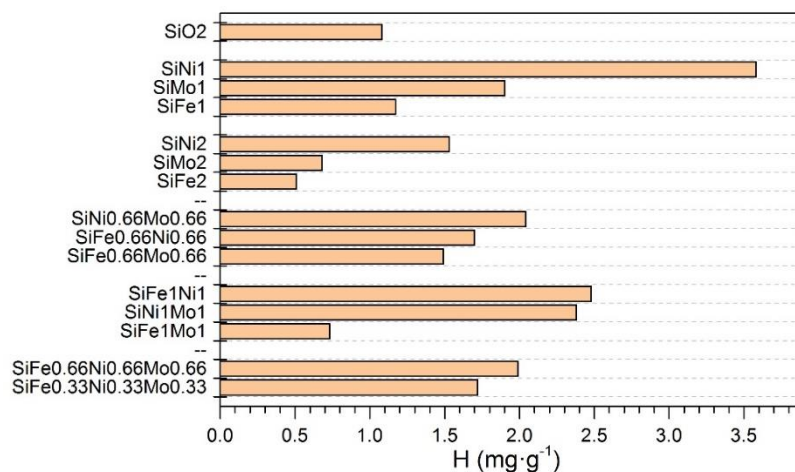
Table S4 Estimated SLE model parameters for SiO₂ and functionalized nanoparticles with elements transition

Material	$K(g \cdot g^{-1}) \pm 0.005$	$H(mg \cdot g^{-1}) \pm 0.01$	$q_m(g \cdot m^{-2}) \pm 0.01$	R^2	RMS
SiO ₂	0.001	1.08	0.87	0.99	0.54
SiFe1	0.005	1.17	1.06	1.00	0.58
SiFe2	0.004	0.51	0.76	1.00	0.14
SiNi1	5.821	3.58	0.31	1.00	0.81
SiNi2	1.077	1.53	0.66	1.00	0.92
SiMo1	1.374	1.90	0.49	1.00	1.09
SiMo2	0.004	0.68	0.63	1.00	0.48
SiFe1Ni1	3.187	2.48	0.33	1.00	1.33
SiFe1Mo1	0.695	0.73	0.49	0.95	3.98
SiNi1Mo1	2.006	2.38	0.61	1.00	0.91
SiFe0.66Ni0.66	1.729	1.70	0.62	1.00	0.42

SiFe0.66Mo0.66	1.404	1.49	0.50	0.99	1.71
SiNi0.66Mo0.66	2.103	2.04	0.62	1.00	0.15
SiFe0.66Ni0.66Mo0.66	1.098	1.99	0.50	1.00	0.42
SiFe0.33Ni0.33Mo0.33	0.478	1.72	1.04	1.00	0.41

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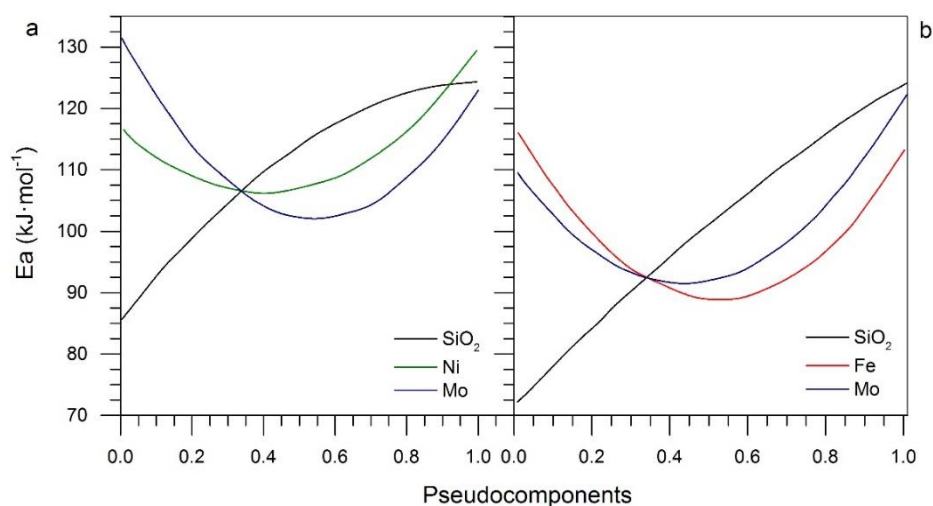
Figure S3. H values from SLE model for silica and functionalized nanoparticles

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Table S5. Coefficients to activation energy mixture design for Si-Ni-Mo

β_1	β_2	β_3	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}
124.54	129.41	122.83	9.38	-38.94	-228.72

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Figure S4. Graphic trace to activation energy for the series a) Si-Ni-Mo and b) Si-Fe-Mo

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Table S6. Coefficients to activation energy mixture design for Si-Fe-Mo

β_1	β_2	β_3	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}
124.54	112.81	122.83	-46.51	-38.94	-184.16

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Table S7. Coefficients to activation energy mixture design for Si-Fe-Ni-Mo

β_1	β_2	β_3	β_4	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{14}
124.54	112.82	122.830	129.41	-46.52	-38.94	9.38
β_{23}	β_{24}	β_{34}	β_{123}	β_{124}	β_{134}	β_{234}
-184.18	-74.06	-162.72	-473.78	-274.18	-624.29	358.71

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