Supporting Information

Stress-Alteration Enhancement of the Reactivity of Aluminum Nanoparticles in the Catalytic Decomposition of *exo*-Tetrahydrodicyclopentadiene (JP-10)

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Figure S1: Schematic of the experimental setup including the catalytic microreactor and Reflectron Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometer (Re-TOF-MS).



Figure S2: Experimental photoionization efficiency curves (PIE, black traces) for the products formed upon catalytic decomposition of JP-10 by stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AlNP) at 850 K along with the experimental errors (gray shaded area) originating from the measurement errors of the photocurrent by photodiode and a $1-\sigma$ error of the PIE curves averaged over the individual scans. In case of multiple isomeric contribution, individual reference PIE curves are presented and the overall fitted curve is depicted by the red trace.





Figure S3: Experimental photoionization efficiency curves (PIE, black traces) for the (a) and (b) closed-shell hydrocarbons (olive and blue reference traces) and (c) radical products (blue reference

traces) formed upon catalytic decomposition of JP-10 by the stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AINP) at 1,050 K along with the experimental errors (gray shaded area) originating from the measurement errors of the photocurrent by photodiode and a 1- σ error of the PIE curves averaged over the individual scans. In case of multiple isomeric contribution, individual reference PIE curves are presented and the overall fitted curve is depicted by the red trace.



Figure S4: Experimental photoionization efficiency curves (PIE, black traces) for the oxygenated (green reference traces) formed upon thermal decomposition of JP-10 by the stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AlNP) at 1,050 K along with the experimental errors (gray shaded area) originating from the measurement errors of the photocurrent by photodiode and a $1-\sigma$ error

of the PIE curves averaged over the individual scans. In case of multiple isomeric contribution, individual reference PIE curves are presented and the overall fitted curve is depicted by the red trace.

Table S1: Compilation of the products observed in the thermal decomposition of JP-10 on untreated¹ and stress-altered AlNP, where *italicized* products are not detected in the case of the latter.

Mass	Molecular	Name	Structure	AINPs	Stress-
	formula				altered
					AINPs
2	H ₂	Hydrogen	H-H	+	+
15	CH ₃	Methyl radical	CH3.	+	+
16	CH4	Methane	CH4	+	+
18	H ₂ O	Water	H ^O H	+	+
26	C_2H_2	Acetylene		+	+
27	C_2H_3	Vinyl radical	·	+	+
28	C ₂ H ₄	Ethylene		+	+
29	C ₂ H ₅	Ethyl radical	,	+	+
	СНО	Formyl radical	H, C	+	+
39	C_3H_3	Propargyl radical		+	+
40	C ₃ H ₄	Allene	C	+	+
		Methylacetylene		+	+
41	C ₃ H ₅	Allyl radical		+	+
	HC ₂ O	Ethyloxy radical	C≔C=O	+	+
42	C ₃ H ₆	Propene		+	+

43	AlO	Aluminum monoxide	°AI==−O	+	-
50	C_4H_2	Diacetylene	==-==	+	-
52	C ₄ H ₄	Vinylacetylene		+	+
54	C4H6	1,3-Butadiene		+	+
56	C ₄ H ₈	1-Butene		+	+
58	C_3H_6O	Acetone	0	+	-
		Propanal		+	-
64	C5H4	Ethynylallene	C	+	-
65	C ₅ H ₅	Cyclopentadienyl radical		+	+
66	C ₅ H ₆	1,3-Cyclopentadiene		+	+
		1-Penten-3-yne		+	+
68	C_5H_8	Cyclopentene		+	+
		1,3-Pentadiene		+	+
	C ₄ H ₄ O	Furan		+	+
78	C ₆ H ₆	Benzene		+	+
		Fulvene		+	+
80	C ₆ H ₈	1,3-Cyclohexadiene		+	+
		1,4-Cyclohexadiene		+	+

	C ₅ H ₄ O	2,4-Cyclopentadiene-1- one		+	+
82	C6H10	Cyclohexene		+	+
	C ₅ H ₆ O	2-Cyclopenten-1-one	0	+	+
90	C7H6	5-Ethenylidene-1,3- cyclopentadiene	=D=	+	-
91	C7H7	Benzyl radical	· · ·	+	+
92	C7H8	Toluene		+	+
		5-Methylene-1,3- cyclohexadiene		+	+
93	C ₆ H ₅ O	Phenoxy radical	ó.	+	+
94	C ₆ H ₆ O	Phenol	ОН	+	+
95	C ₆ H ₇ O	1,3-Cyclohexadienyloxy radical	Ó.	+	+
96	C ₆ H ₈ O	2-Cyclohexen-1-one	O	+	+
102	C_8H_6	Phenylacetylene		+	-
		Benzocyclobutadiene		+	-
104	C ₈ H ₈	Styrene		+	+
106	C ₈ H ₁₀	p-xylene		+	+
		1,3,5-Cyclooctatriene		+	+

	C7H6O	Benzyldehyde	Н	+	-
107	C7H7O	Methylphenoxy radical	Ó.	+	+
108	C7H8O	Cresols	ОН	+	+
		Benzyl alcohol	OH	+	+
116	C ₉ H ₈	Indene		+	+
		1-Ethynyl-4- methylbenzene		+	+
118	C ₉ H ₁₀	Indane		+	+
121	C ₈ H ₉ O	Dimethylphenoxy radical	ó.	+	+
122	$C_8H_{10}O$	Dimethylphenol	ОН	+	-
136	C ₁₀ H ₁₆	JP-10		+	+



Figure S5: Mass spectra recorded at a photon energy of 15.4 eV to show a few relevant thermally decomposed products [hydrogen (H₂), methyl radical (CH₃), methane (CH₄), water (H₂O), acetylene (C₂H₂), vinyl radical (C₂H₃) and ethylene (C₂H₄)] of JP-10 vapor through stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AlNP) in the temperature range 300 - 1,350 K.



Figure S6: Temperature-dependant abundances of closed-shell hydrocarbons formed upon thermal decomposition of JP-10 on stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AlNP) extracting

the relative peak intensities from the mass spectra recorded at (a) 10 eV and (b) 15.4 eV. The error bars are due to the experimental errors of the mass peak intensities evaluated by averaging recorded mass spectra at respective photon energies (10 eV or 15.4 eV).



Figure S7: Temperature-dependant abundances of hydrocarbon radicals formed upon thermal decomposition of JP-10 on stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AlNP) extracting the relative peak intensities from the mass spectra recorded at 10 eV. The error bars are due to the experimental errors of the mass peak intensities evaluated by averaging recorded mass spectra at 10 eV.



Figure S8: Temperature-dependant abundances of oxygenated products formed upon thermal decomposition of JP-10 on stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (SA-AlNP) extracting the relative peak intensities from the mass spectra recorded at 10 eV. The error bars are due to the experimental errors of the mass peak intensities evaluated by averaging recorded mass spectra at 10 eV.



Figure S9: Comaparison of the temperature-dependant abundances of the common hydrocarbon radicals formed upon thermal decomposition of JP-10 on stress-altered aluminum nanoparticles (red traces) with those of the untreated AlNPs (black traces) extracting the relative peak intensities and transforming to a normalized scale from the mass spectra recorded at 10 eV. The error bars are due to the experimental errors of the mass peak intensities evaluated by averaging recorded mass spectra at 10 eV.