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	Reviewer 1 This manuscript reports a nickel nitride supported on the natural bentonite, and the resulted catalyst has been applied for crude palm of (CPO) hydrocracking. The surface acidity feature of the NiN-bentonite was evaluated using the gravimetric pyridine gas, and the catalyst's physiochemical features have also been investigated. The catalysts show superior activities for CPO hydrocracking. Overall, this work shows some interesting results and the manuscript was well organized and written. I can support the publication only after addressing the following issues:		
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1	The XRD patterns should be retested again, the current patterns show high noise	Thank you for pointing this out. We could not retest the XRD of the corresponding catalysts considering it takes a relatively long time to be analyzed with a long queue in our region. However, the peaks relatively revealed the primary phase of the catalyst, which can be used to interpret the structure of the catalysts and combined with other instruments such as SEM, FTIR, BET, etc. For the subsequent study, it is necessary to find an optimized instrument that shows low noise.	

2		Thank you for pointing this out. It would have been interesting to explore this aspect. The acid strength of the catalyst can be provided by NH3-TPD analysis. However, this study provided the effect of
	Can the authors supply the acid strength of their samples, which play important role for their activities.	the surface acidity of the catalyst on the catalytic activity toward CPO hydrocracking. We found that high catalyst surface acidity generated high catalytic activity, consistent with another report. Nevertheless, it is fascinating and necessary to explore this aspect in the other study.
3	In general, the acidity was evaluated by using acid-base tiration and/or elemental analysis, these results should be provided.	Thank you for pointing this out. There are several methods to determine the acidity of the catalyst. In this study, we employed the gravimetric method rather than the acid-base titration and/or elemental analysis. The gravimetric method using pyridine as a probe was chosen since this method is simple, minimal cost, and relatively sufficiently accurate to describe the acidity featuresBefore analysis, the desiccator was vacuumed to ensure the effective saturating of pyridine gas towards the catalyst surface. Several researchers also used this method accordingly [1–3]. 1. Marsuki MF, Trisunaryanti W, Falah II, et al. (2018) Synthesis of Co, Mo, Co-Mo and Mo-Co catalysts, supported on mesoporous silica-alumina for hydrocracking of a-cellulose pyrolysis oil. <i>Orient J Chem</i> 34: 955–962. 2. Trisunaryanti W, Wijaya K, Triyono T, et al. (2021) Green synthesis of hierarchical porous carbon prepared from coconut lumber sawdust as Ni-based catalyst support for hydrotreating Callophyllum inophyllum oil. <i>Results Eng</i> 11:

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4	Some important references on solid acids and their catalytic application on biomass conversion should be introduced and cited in the manuscript (J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2012, 134, 16948–16950; Chemical Science, 2019, 10, 5875–5883; ACS Catalysis 2020, 10, 11848–11856; ACS Catalysis 2018, 8, 372–391; Green Chem., 2018, 20, 1020–1030).	Thank you for pointing this out. The references are incorporated within the manuscript as suggested by the reviewer. The revised text as follows: "Acid catalysts are widely employed in petrochemical reactions and industrial biomass conversion [6,7]. The properties of the catalyst also could be tunable for particular raw material and outcomes. Solid acid, a well-known heterogeneous catalyst, has been extensively explored to generate green and sustainable chemistry due to its high catalytic activity and product selectivity, ease of regeneration and corrosion reduction, and ability to function in continuous reactors [8,9]"

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	The manuscript "Conversion of crude palm oil to biofuels via catalytic hydrocracking over NiN-supported natural bentonite" described synthesis process of NiN supported catalyst and its application and effects on the conversion of crude palm oil into biofuels. In general the result is interesting. However, the significance of the current study is not well presented and should be improved throughout. The specific comments are as follows:	
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1	Large number of typos were found in the manuscript as following: Page 1 first paragraph: "These are important instructions and explanations. Thank you for your cooperation. Energy needs are increasing yearly due to the escalation of industrialization activities worldwide. This condition is in line with the population and economic development increase, which has increased significantly. Energy needs are increasing yearly due to the escalation of industrialization activities worldwide. This phenomenon is in line with rising population and economic development [1]." Is this revised one? If so, where is the response to previous reviewers?	Thank you for pointing this out. Sorry for the mistake. We accidentally put the words from the manuscript template of AIMS energy into our manuscript. We have deleted the sentence "these are important instructions and explanations. Thank you for your cooperation" accordingly. The revised text as follows: "Due to the escalation of industrialization activities worldwide, energy needs are increasing every year. This condition is consistent with the significant increase in population and economic development [4]."
2	Introduction section: what is the approximate potential of CPO in Indonesia? This should be pointed out so that readers can understand the potential of this market in the country.	Thank you for pointing this out. We have incorporated the approximate potential of CPO in Indonesia, as suggested by the reviewer. The revised text as follows: "In recent years, CPO manufacturing rose to 27.00 million tonnes in 2017 compared with 2001, which is only 0.84 million tonnes.

3	It will be much better if the authors can add a mechanic figure for the hydrocracking process with catalysis. This should facilitate the reading.	Further, CPO manufacture's productivity tends to increase yearly by $1.50\text{-}10.96\%$, which suggests its potential as a sustainable feedstock [4]." Thank you for pointing this out. We have incorporated the suggestion by the reviewer. The revised text as follows: "The proposed mechanism of CPO hydrocracking using nickel nitride-bentonite is presented in Figure 8. The CPO hydrocracking process can occur as a result of a parallel reaction between the decarboxylation reaction and the carbon-carbon bond-breaking reaction of unsaturated fatty acids. This parallel reaction allows the formation of carbon dioxide gas products and gasoline fraction oil. This reaction likewise begins with the adsorption of unsaturated fatty acids as a provider of electrons to the catalyst surface as an electron acceptor. The weak bonds formed between fatty acids that have phi electrons (π) and, subsequently, the catalyst led the carbon-carbon bonds of unsaturated fatty acids to become weak and eventually break. Further hydrogenation reactions generated gases such as propane, biofuel fractions, and water."
4	Introduction: the description of the application of NiN-supported catalysis is too general. From it's current layout, the reviewer can not really understand the importance of this. Describe it by adding specific data compared with the one without using it.	Thank you for pointing this out. The NiN catalysts have been employed for many electrocatalytic reactions. Accumulation of positive charge on the Ni sites with N element alloying, ΔG_{H^*} in the favored NiN plane decreases significantly to -0.05 eV, almost close to the Pt sites. Hence, dispersing the NiN onto the supported catalyst, such as bentonite, would potentially increase the active site catalyst,

thereby increasing catalytic performance. The previous study showed that the metal nitride (i.e., ZrN) significantly increased the acidity of the bentonite catalyst due to additional acidic active sites from the metal nitride. The revised text as follows: "Accumulation of positive charge on the Ni sites with N substance alloying, the ΔG_{H*} in the favored NiN plane decreases significantly to -0.05 eV, almost close to the Pt sites. Hence, dispersing the NiN onto the supported catalyst, such as bentonite, would potentially increase the active site catalyst, thereby increasing catalytic performance." "ZrN/bentonite exhibited high acidity features (1.822 mmol/g) compared with the parent bentonite, which only 0.054 mmol/g." The English of the manuscript must be improved by native speaker. Thank you for pointing this out. We have sent the manuscript to the Number of grammar mistakes can be found throughout the proofreading service. A native speaker has proofread the whole manuscript. For example, Some study (Studies) reported that the manuscript and corrected the grammar mistakes. modified bentonite revealed (exhibited) more porous and coarse The revised text as follows: structure [52,53]. Nevertheless, it was worth to observed (???) that some tiny aggregation species were deposited on the NiN-B, which "Some studies reported that the modified bentonite exhibited a more presumably concurrence the dispersion of NiN species towards the porous and coarse structure [57,58]. Nevertheless, it was worth bentonite surface. noting that some tiny aggregation species were deposited on the NiN-B, presumably contributing to NiN species' dispersion towards the bentonite surface."

6	The contribution and research gap that this manuscript trying to fill	, , ,
	should be improved. For example, what kind of catalysts have been	several catalysts, such as metal oxide, aluminosilicate, and metal
	used on CPO for the production of biofuels? How the catalyst	support-based catalysts, have been employed in CPO hydrocracking
	developed here can add value to this research field?	for biofuel production. The reports nor studies have yet been made
		on the hydrocracking of CPO to biofuel using nickel nitride-
		modified bentonite. In this study, we developed a NiN-supported
		natural bentonite as a potential catalyst for hydrocracking. This
		catalyst offers low-cost catalysts since the bentonite was taken from
		nature, thus minimizing the cost and showing an adequate
		performance towards CPO conversion. Further, a preliminary study
		for nickel nitride-based catalyst for hydrocracking reactions were
		also reported. The nickel nitride species could enhance the acidity
		features of the bentonite catalyst, which inherently affected the
		catalytic performance on CPO conversion.
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		The revised text as follows:
		"This study offers the potential and exploration of natural-based
		catalysts as inexpensive catalysts. Nickel nitride as an active species
		was studied to evaluate its effect on the natural bentonite catalyst in
		order to increase its catalytic performance on CPO hydrocracking."
7	Fig 2: the absorption of 793 cm-1 is not well observed. Also, the	Thank you for pointing this out. We have marked the absorption
	caption should stand alone without the using of abbreviations. This	band of ~793 cm-1 using lines in order to make it more readable.
	should be revised for all the figures.	Although the peaks have low intensity, the absorption band can be
		distinguished from other absorption bands. Some studies also
		reported similarly that at this absorption band range, the peaks were
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		relatively exhibited low intensity. We also have revised the figures caption as suggested by the reviewer. Refs: Wijaya K, Kurniawan MA, Saputri WD, et al. (2021) Synthesis of nickel catalyst supported on ZrO2/SO4pillared bentonite and its application for conversion of coconut oil into gasoline via hydrocracking process. <i>J Environ Chem Eng</i> 9: 105399. Mirzan M, Wijaya K, Falah II, et al. (2019) Synthesis and characterization of Ni-promoted zirconia pillared bentonite. J Phys
8	For fig. 3, where is the EDX image of the two catalysts? Since the authors have the data, it should be presented to prove the observations of Ni and N in the supported catalyst.	Conf Ser 1242 Thank you for pointing this out. We have added the EDX spectra of both catalysts as suggested by the reviewer.
9	Page 5, fig 4, what the meaning of increased acidity of the catalyst? I understand that the authors were trying to show that higher acidity, higher catalysis capacity of the catalyst. However, this is missing and should be supported by reference. Also, there is no error bar for fig 4, fig 5 and fig 6.	Thank your for pointing this out. The increased acidity of the catalyst indicated that more acidic sites would catalyze the CPO hydrocracking. The references have been incorporated within the manuscript as suggested by the reviewer. The error bars for Fig.4-Fig.6 have been added as suggested by the reviewer. The revised text as follows: "Furthermore, the higher nickel nitride loading provided a more acidic environment on the catalyst's surface throught the synergetic effect between nitride groups and metal. This condition effectively promoting the CPO conversion [65]. As can be seen from Figure 4,

		higher nickel nitride loading provided highly acidic sites, which promoted a high catalytic process. Similarly, the previous study showed that ZrN-bentonite could exhibit a conversion of up to 87.93% at 8 mEq/g metal loading, while the ZrP-bentonite achieved 86.04% at 10 mEq/g metal loading, which indicated that the catalyst acidity highly affected the CPO conversion [3]. Another study also reported a positive correlation between the catalyst acidity and the catalytic performance in the hydrocracking process [66]."
10	Fig 5, where is the conversion results of the parent catalyst?	Thank you for pointing this out. We have added the conversion results of the parent bentonite and revised the Fig. 5 accordingly. The revised text as follows: "Figure 5 shows conversion results using bentonite and NiN-B catalysts. The parent bentonite catalyst exhibited low conversion compared with the NiN-B catalyst, which suggested due to low acidic sites." "This result confirms that the NiN species could enhance the bentonite catalyst performance toward high CPO conversion."
11	Any explanation on the un-changed biofuels component between the supported and parent catalyst?	Thank you for pointing this out. The CPO that has not yet undergone prosperous cracking is denoted as residue. According to the results of the CPO hydrocracking, the parent catalyst exhibited high residue, whereas the nickel nitride-bentonite showed low residue and tended to decrease for prolonged high nickel nitride loading, which proportionally with high conversion. The low residue result suggested that the catalyst was effective for CPO hydrocracking.

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