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Upgrading Biogenic Furans: Blended  $C_{10}$ - $C_{12}$  Platform Chemicals via Lyase-Catalyzed Carboligations and Formation of Novel  $C_{12}$  – Choline Chloride-Based Deep-Eutectic-Solvents.\*\*

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### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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### Analysis of products.

*NMR-Spectroscopy*. NMR spectra for HMF coupled products were recorded on a 300 MHz (<sup>1</sup> H-NMR: 300 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 75 MHz) Bruker device from BioSpin GmbH at 20 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for HMF-furfural cross coupled products were recorded on a 500 MHz Bruker Ultrashield Plus device. Chemical shifts are relative to the used solvents (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>:  $^{1}$ H:  $\delta = 2.09$  ppm,  $^{13}$ C:  $\delta = 30.6$  ppm (CD<sub>3</sub>)), indicated in ppm.

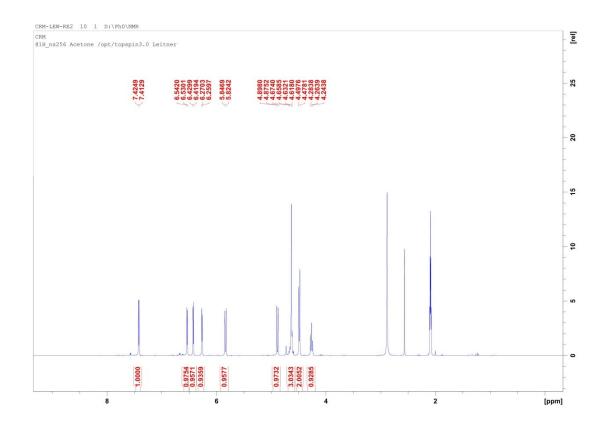
*Mass Spectrometry*. EI Mass spectra for coupled furfural products were measured with a "Finnigan SSQ 7000" device. Spectra for HMF-furfural coupled products were recorded using a "Bruker MicrOTOF" ESI-TOF device.

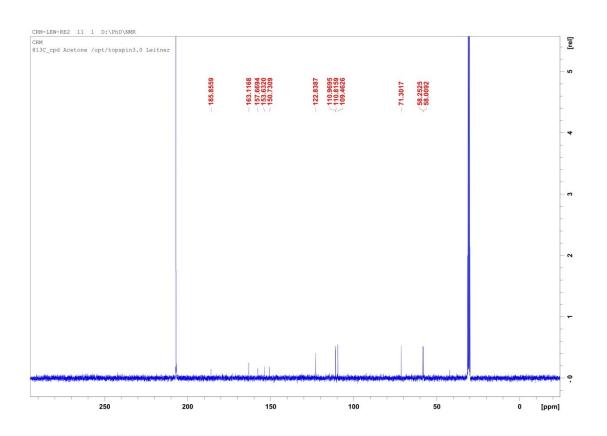
*IR Spectroscopy.* IR spectra were measured with a "Perkin-Elmer 100FT-IR" spectrometer and detected with an "UATR Diamond/KRS-5" device. The measurement was per-formed as difference spectra versus CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The unit of the absorption signals is cm<sup>-1</sup>. Signal intesities are characterized by following abbreviations: vs = very strong (0 - 20 %), s = strong (21 - 40 %), m = medium (41 - 60 %), w = weak (61 - 80 %), vw = very weak (81 - 90 %).

### 2-hydroxy-1,2-bis(5-(hydroxymethyl)furan-2-yl)ethanone

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  7.42 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.54 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.42 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 6.27 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.84 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.67 – 4.62 (m, 3 H), 4.49 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.26 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1 H) ppm.

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  185.9, 163.1, 157.7, 153.6, 150.7, 122.8, 111.0, 110.8, 109.5, 71.3, 58.3, 58.0 ppm;





## 1,2-bis(5-(hydroxymethyl)furan-2-yl)ethane-1,2-dione

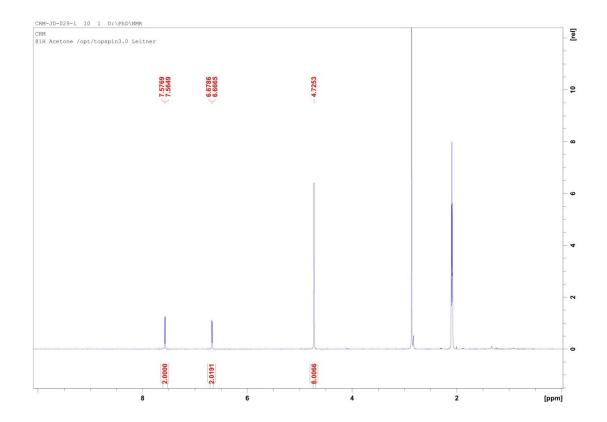
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  7.57 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.67 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.73 (m, 6 H) ppm;

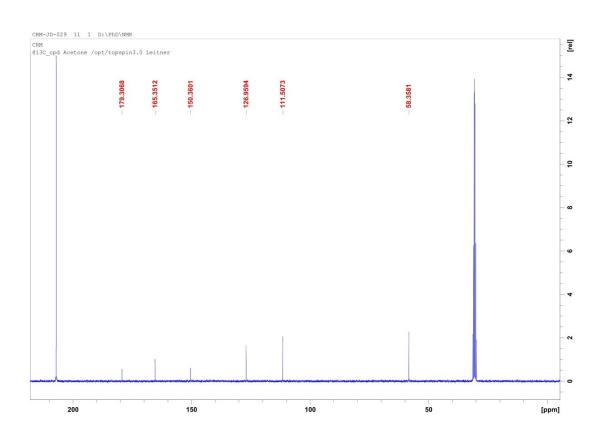
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  179.3, 165.4, 150.4, 127.0, 111.5, 58.4 ppm;

IR (KBr): v = 3249 (s), 3120 (m), 2942 (vw), 2104 (vw), 1739 (m), 1633 (vs), 1497 (vs), 1437 (m), 1387 (m), 1339 (w), 1273 (m), 1231 (w), 1190 (s), 1019 (vs), 949 (vs), 822 (vs), 781 (vs), 685 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>;

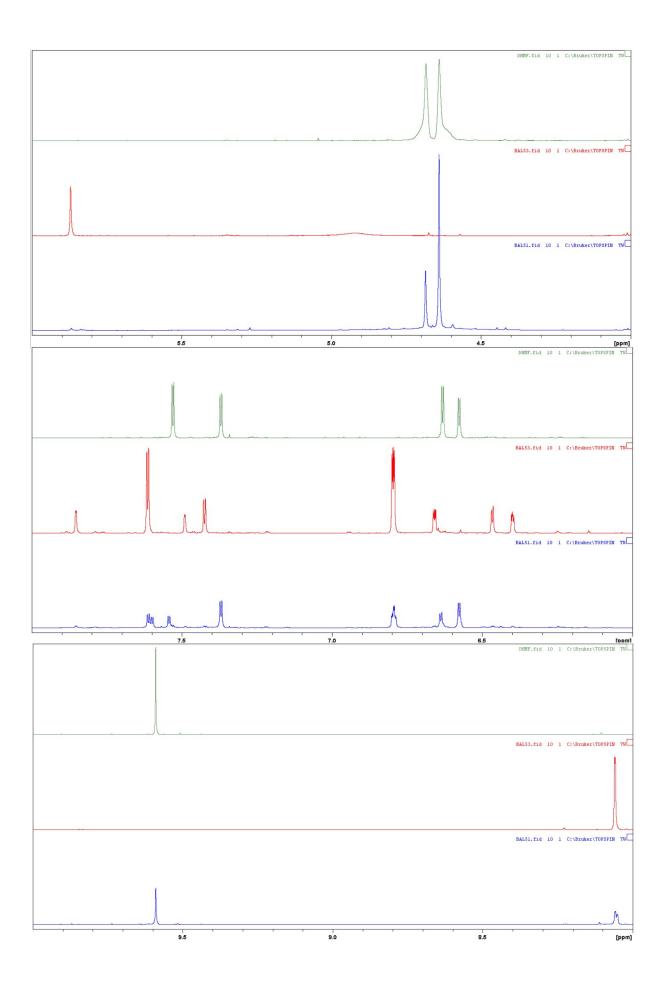
**MS** (EI, 100 eV): m/z (%) = 250 ([M]+, 15), 233 (43), 125 ([C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100), 69 (19), 52 (18), 51 (23), 50 (20).

**HRMS (ESI):** [M]+Na<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $[C_{12}H_{10}O_6Na]^+$ : 273.03696, found: 273.03699.





 $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR spectra for coupling reactions with HMF/Furfural substrate ratios of 100/0 (green), 0/100 (red) and 50/50 (blue)



Conversions were calculated by identification of product peaks through comparison to substrate spectra and spectra of isolated coupled HMF products. Subsequent integration of relevant peaks yielded relative quantities of each product.

## 1-(furan-2-yl)-2-(5-(hydroxymethyl)furan-2-yl)ethane-1,2-dione

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-d6): 4.68 ((br)s, 2H) 6.64 (dt, J= 3.7, 0.7 Hz, 1H) 6.79 (dd, J= 3.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H) 7.55 (dt, J= 3.6, 0.4 Hz, 1H) 7.60 (dd, 3.7, 0.7 Hz, 1H) 8.05 (dd, J= 1.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H)

**HRMS (ESI):** [M]+Na<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $[C_{11}H_8O_5Na]^+$ : 243.0298, found: 243.0255.

## 1-(furan-2-yl)-2-hydroxy-2-(5-(hydroxymethyl)furan-2-yl)ethanone

**HRMS (ESI):**  $[M]+Na^+$  calculated for  $[C_{11}H_{10}O_5Na]^+$ : 245.0398, found: 245.0407.

# 1,2-di(furan-2-yl)-2-hydroxyethanone

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ): 5.87 (s, 1H) 6.40 (ddd, J= 3.3, 1.8, 0.3 Hz, 1H) 6.47 (ddd, J= 3.3, 0.8, 0.4 Hz, 1H) 6.66 (dd, J=3.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H) 7.43 (dd, J= 3.6, 0.7 Hz, 1H) 7.49 (dd, J= 1.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H) 7.85 (dd, J= 1.7, 0.7 Hz, 1H)

**HRMS (ESI):** [M]+Na<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $[C_{10}H_8O_4Na]^+$ : 215.0298, found: 215.0278.

## 1,2-di(furan-2-yl)ethane-1,2-dione

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ): 6.80 (dd, J= 3.7, 1.7 Hz, 2H) 7.62 (dd, J= 3.7, 0.7 Hz, 2H) 8.06 (dd, J= 1.7, 0.7 Hz, 2H)

**HRMS (ESI):** [M]+Na<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $[C_{10}H_6O_4Na]^+$ : 213.0198, found:213.0161.