

## Supporting Information

### High efficient conversion of carbohydrates into 5-hydroxymethylfurfural using the bi-functional CrPO<sub>4</sub> catalyst

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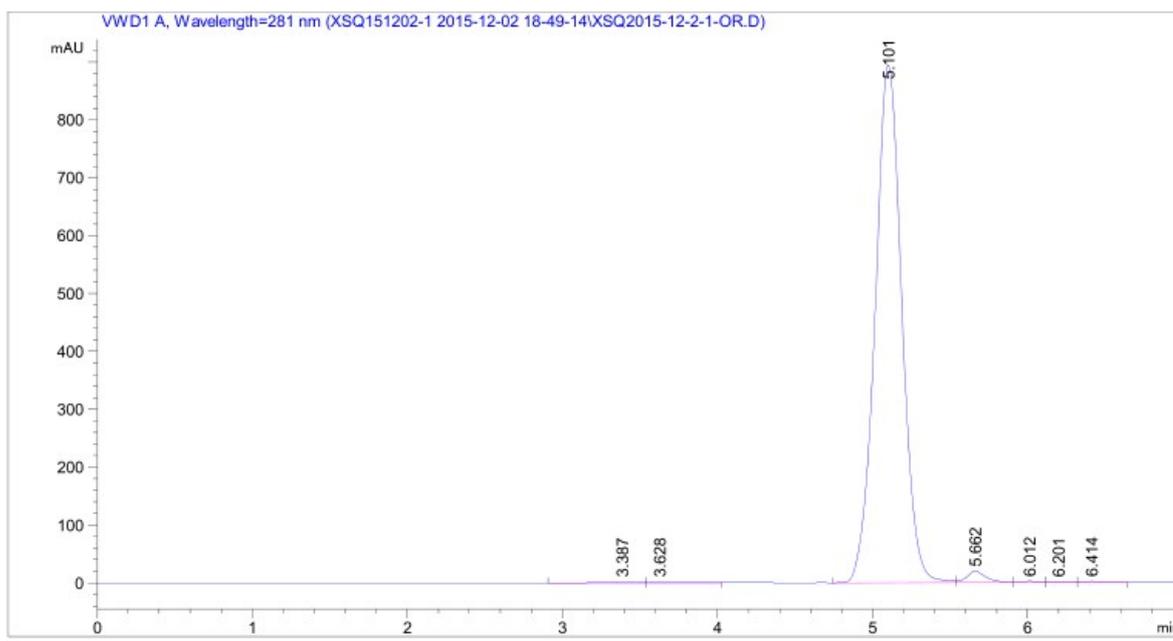
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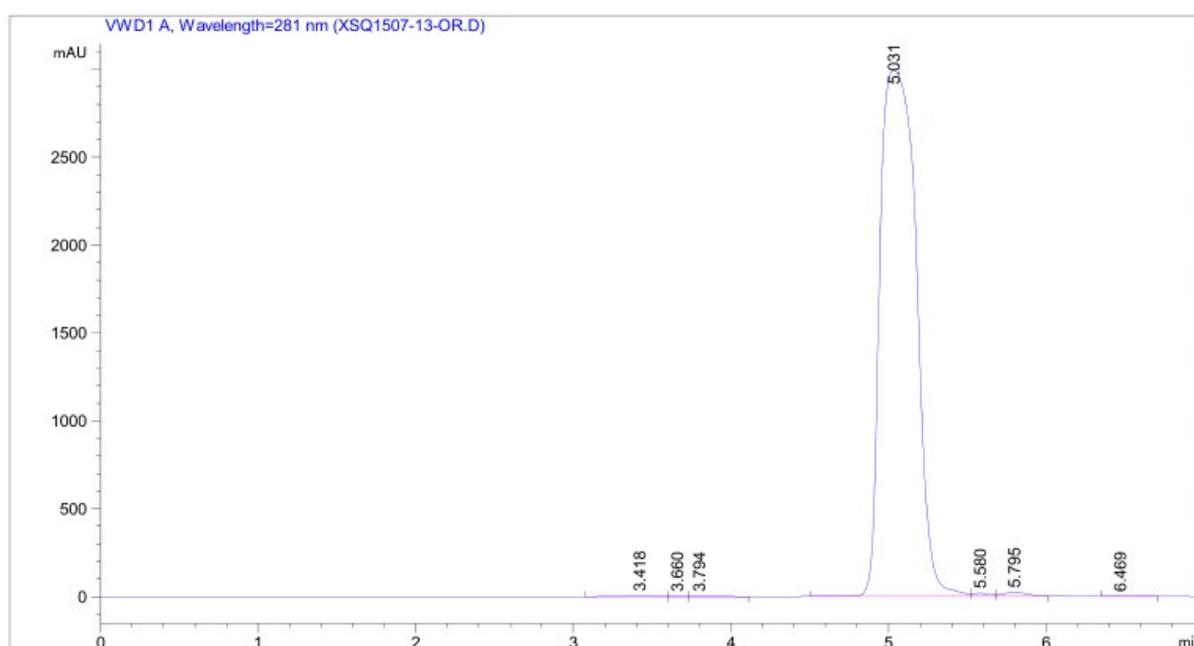
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#### 1. HPLC analysis

In this work, high performance liquid chromatograph (HPLC) with Zorbax SB-C<sub>18</sub> chromatograph column and UV detector was used to analyze the HMF.



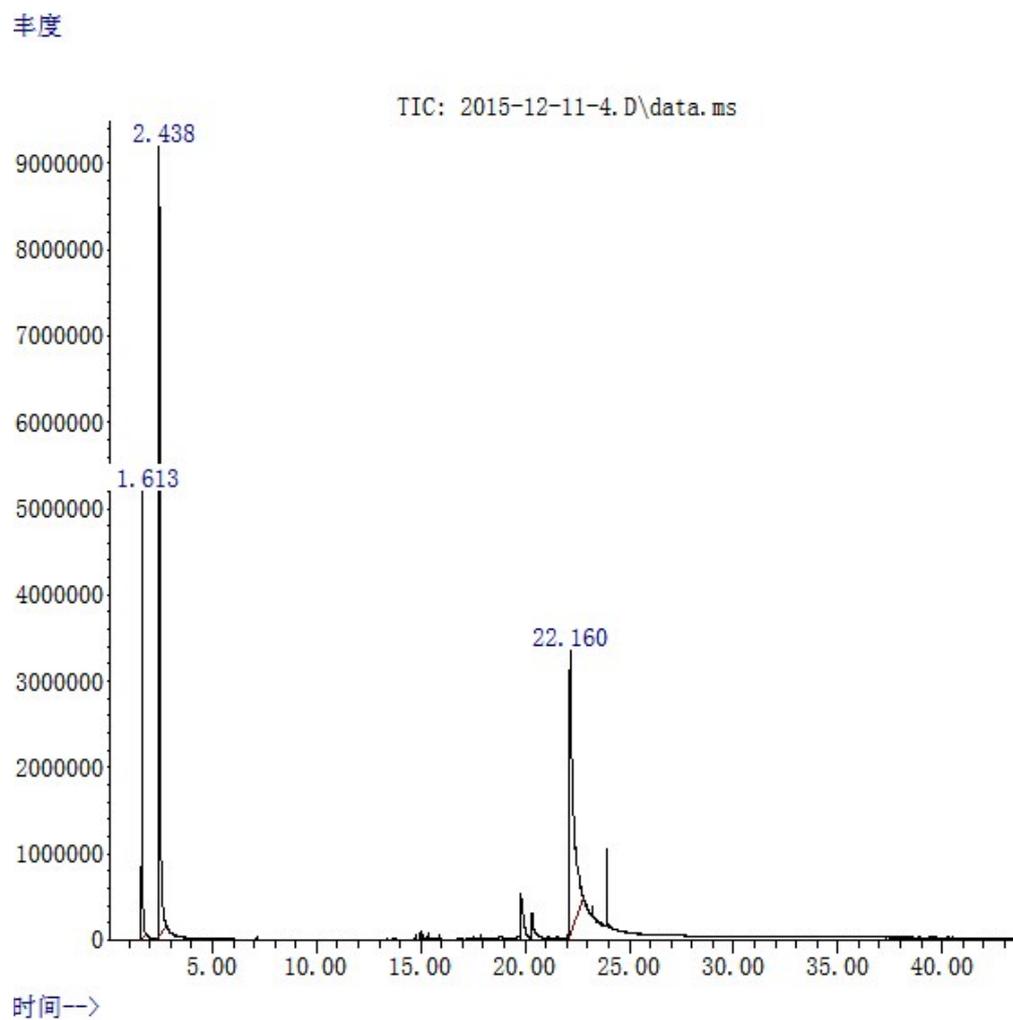
**Figure S1** HPLC analysis of the liquid product produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g  $\text{CrPO}_4$ , 10 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140 °C, reaction time: 15 min. The detection conditions were as follows: UV detector with the wavelength was set to 281 nm and the mixture of water and methanol were used as the mobile phase.



**Figure S2** HPLC result of HMF standard chemical.

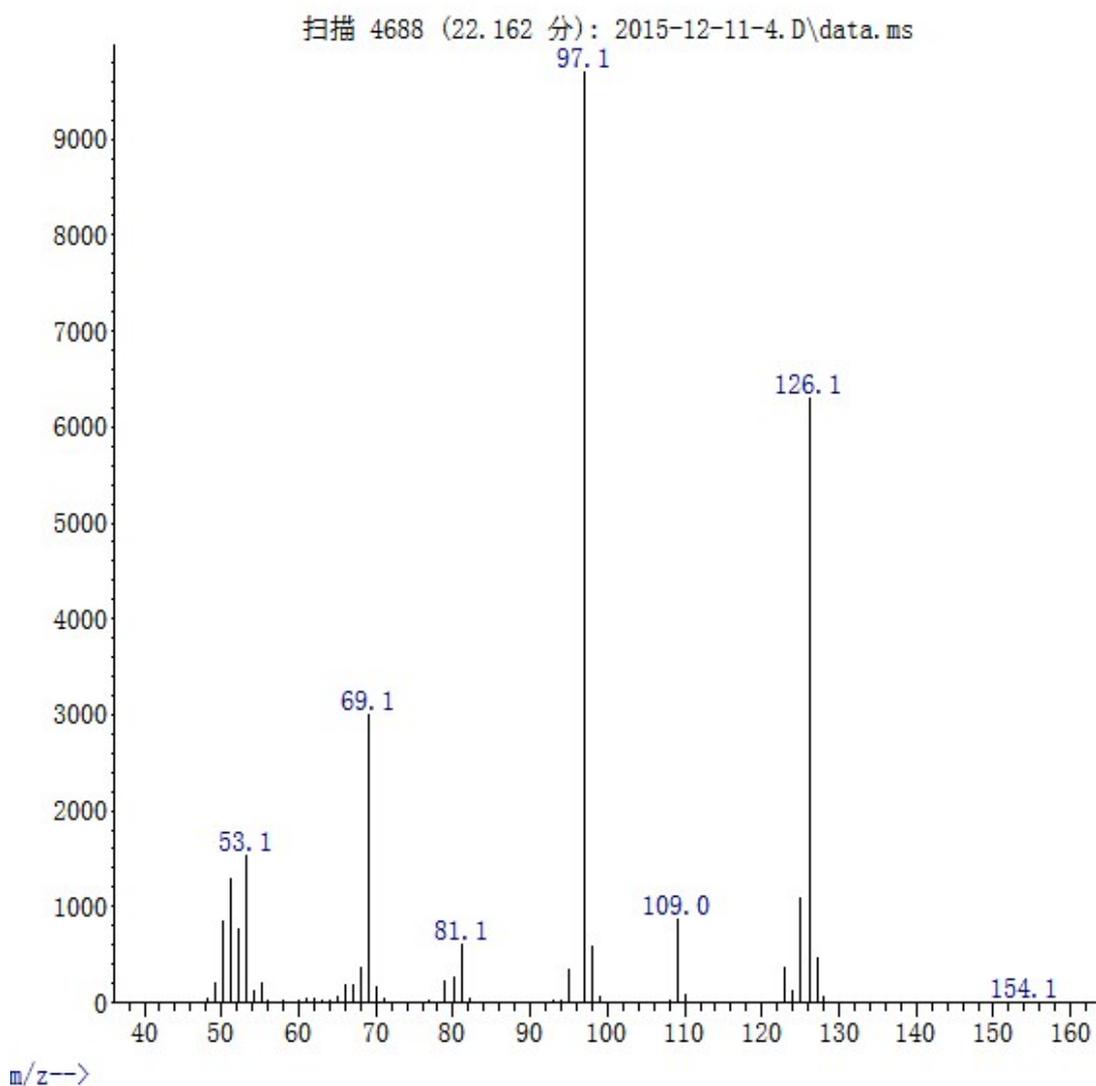
## **2. GC-MS**

The liquid products were analyzed by a GC chromatography (Agilent Technologies 7890A) equipped with a capillary column (Agilent PH-5; 0.32 mm × 30 m) and flame ionization detector (FID) under ramping temperature from 40 to 280 °C. Mass spectrometric analysis of the liquid products was performed with a 5975C inert MSD mass analyzer (Agilent Technologies) employing Triple-Axis Detector. GC Retention time of HMF was 22.15 min by injecting standard HMF compound.



**Figure S3** GC-MS plot for the liquid products produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g CrPO<sub>4</sub>, 10 mL H<sub>2</sub>O, 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140 °C, reaction time: 15 min.

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**Figure S4** GC-MS/MS of the liquid products produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g CrPO<sub>4</sub>, 10 mL H<sub>2</sub>O, 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140 °C, reaction time: 15 min.

### 3. NMR spectrum

NMR (Bruker Biospin AVANCE III, 300 MHz) Analytic was used to analyze the liquid product produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. Sample is dissolved in the D<sub>2</sub>O-d<sub>6</sub>.

## 1. HMF

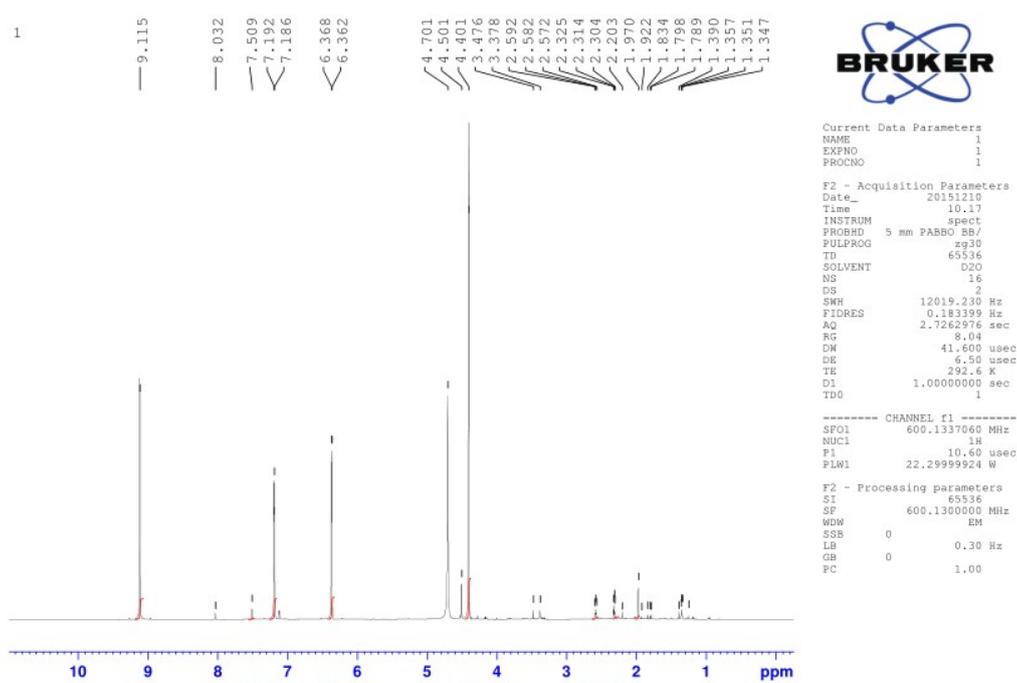
$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{D}_2\text{O-d}_6$ , 300 MHz): (ppm) 2.0, 4.64, 6.50, 7.18, 9.61;

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{D}_2\text{O-d}_6$ , 75 MHz): (ppm) 57.1, 111.6, 122.0, 153.1, 157.7, 178.1;

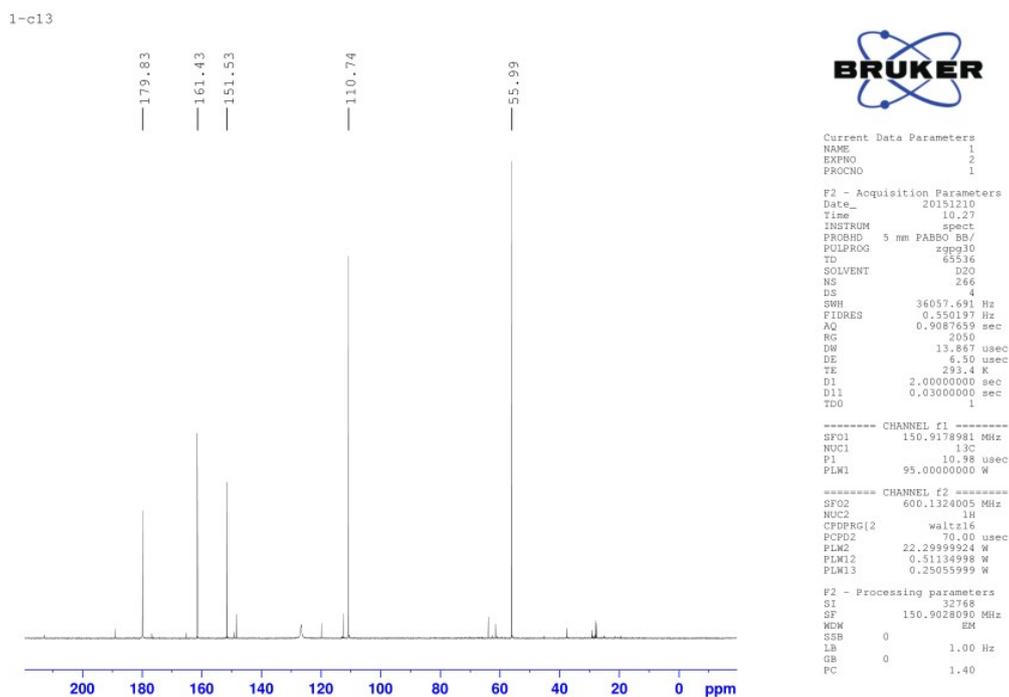
## 2. Levulinic acid

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{D}_2\text{O-d}_6$ , 300 MHz): (ppm) 2.09, 2.51, 2.72;

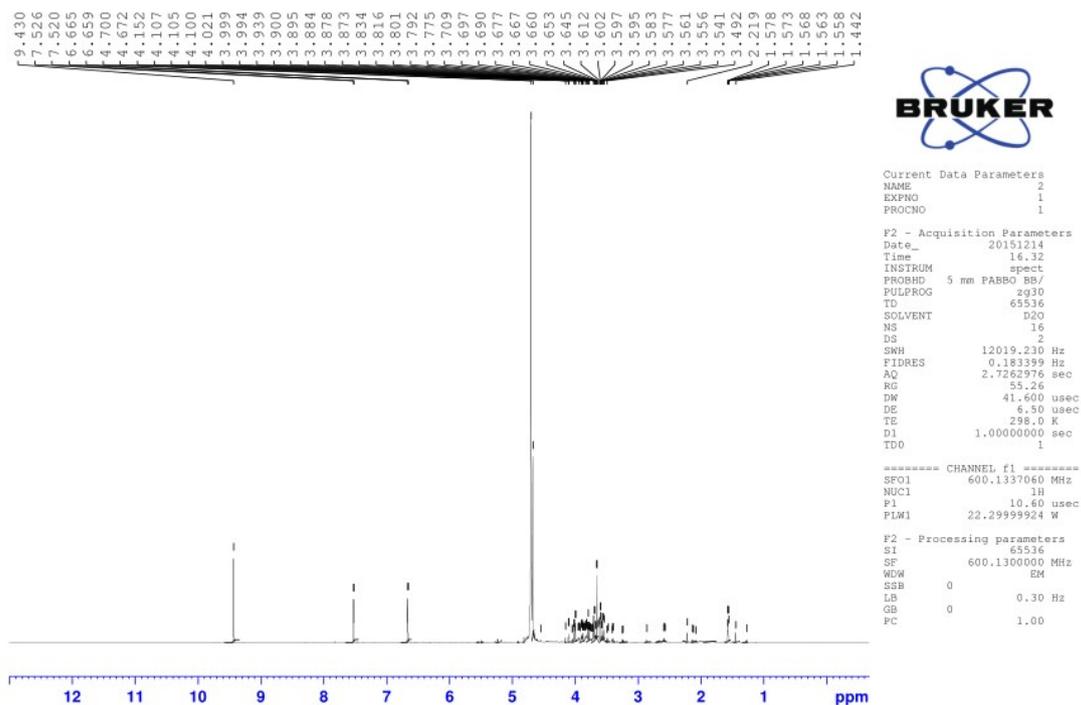
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{D}_2\text{O-d}_6$ , 75 MHz): (ppm): 29.9, 30.6, 39.3, 177.3, 207.7;



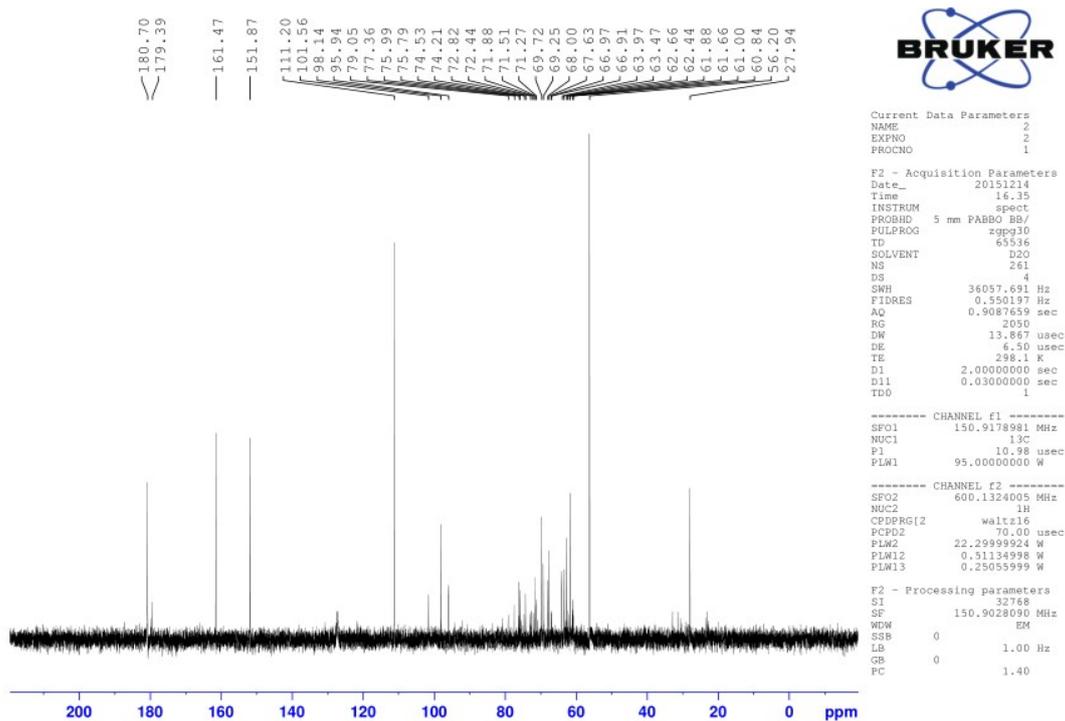
**Figure S5**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of the liquid products in the THF phase produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g  $\text{CrPO}_4$ , 10 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140  $^\circ\text{C}$ , reaction time: 15 min.



**Figure S6**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of the liquid products in the THF phase produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g  $\text{CrPO}_4$ , 10 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140  $^\circ\text{C}$ , reaction time: 15 min.



**Figure S7**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of the liquid products in the water phase produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g  $\text{CrPO}_4$ , 10 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140  $^\circ\text{C}$ , reaction time: 15 min.



**Figure S8**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of the liquid products in the water phase produced from the catalytic conversion of fructose. The reaction conditions were as follows: 1.0 g fructose, 0.125 g  $\text{CrPO}_4$ , 10 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 30 mL THF, reaction temperature: 140 °C, reaction time: 15 min.