

Supplementary Information for:

Aerobic oxidation of C₄-C₆ α,ω - diols to the diacids in base-free medium over zirconia-supported (bi)metallic catalysts.

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Scheme S1. Possible reaction networks to 1,4-butanediol (BDO), 1,5-pentanediol (PDO), and 1,6-hexanediol (HDO) from lignocellulosic biomass.

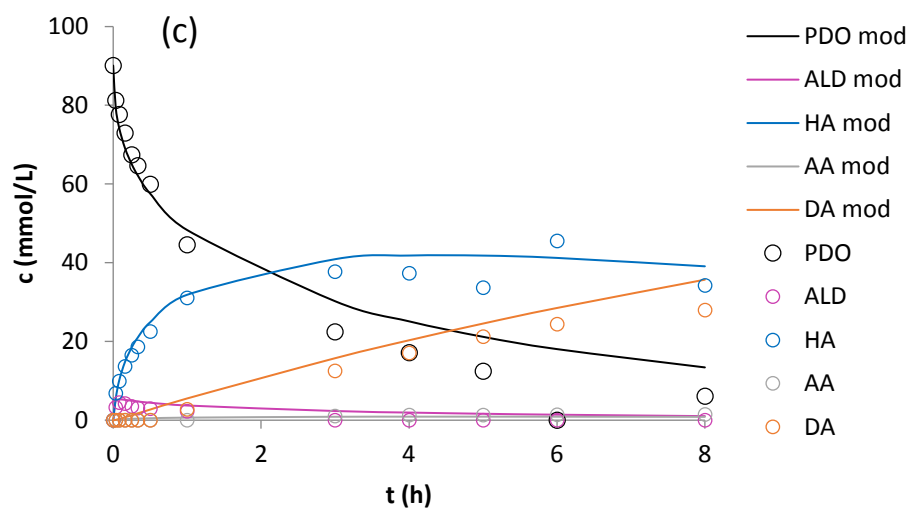
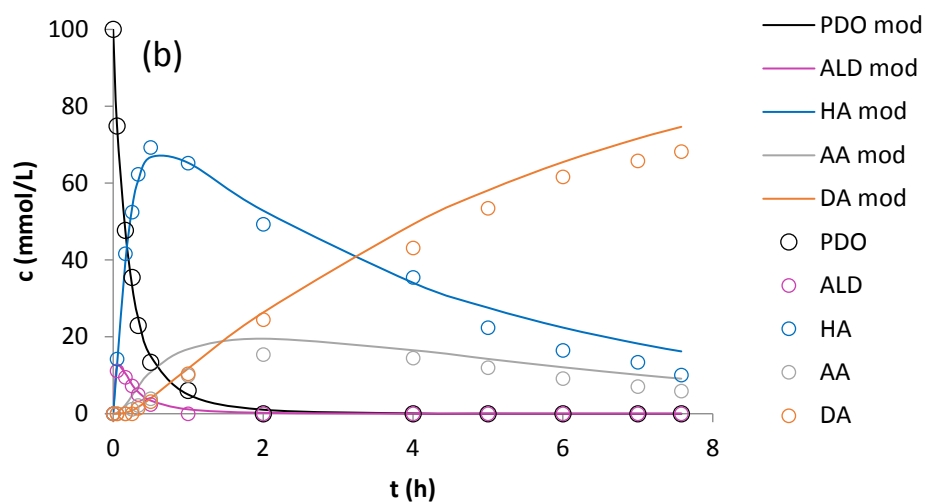
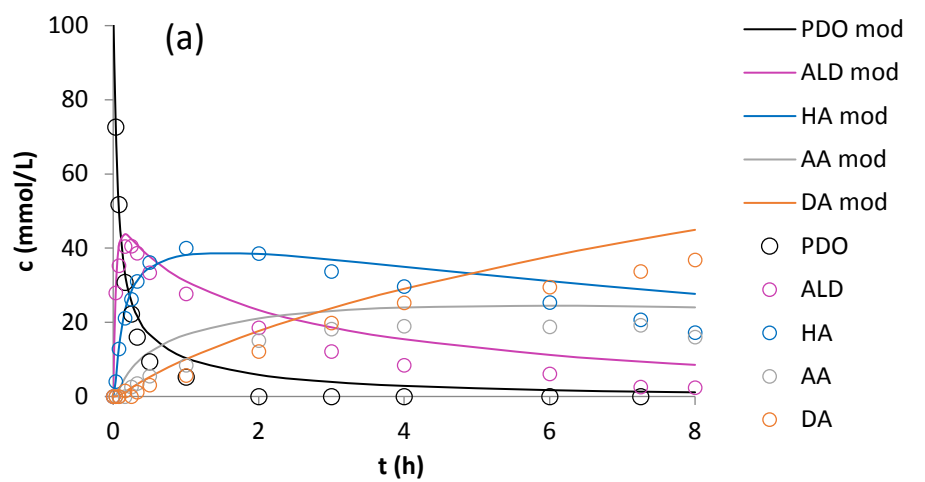
Fig. S1. Evolution of ($\diamond$) diol conversion and yields into ($\blacklozenge$) ALD, ($\blacktriangle$) HA, ($\square$) AA and ($\bullet$) DA from (a) PDO, (b) HDO over Au-Pt/ZrO₂ under 40 bar of air at 90°C and diol/metal = 100 in base-free medium, ($\ast$) Carbon balance, CB, and ($\bullet$) TOC.

Fig. S2. Comparison of experimental (points) and predicted (lines) concentration-time profiles for (a) PDO oxidation over Pt, (b) PDO over Au-Pt, (c) PDO over Au-Pd, and (d) HDO over Pt. Reaction conditions: 0.1 M diol, 70°C, 40 bar air, diol/metal molar ratio = 100.

Fig.S3. Comparison of experimental (points) and predicted (lines) concentration-time profiles over the whole range of the reaction: PDO oxidation over (a) Pt, (b) Au-Pd, (c) Au-Pd, HDO over (d) Pt, (e) Au-Pt, (f) Au-Pd

Fig. S4. Evolution of (∇) PDO conversion and yields of ($\blacklozenge$) ALD, ($\blacktriangle$) HA, ($\square$) AA, and ($\bullet$) DA versus time depending on NaOH amount ratio at 70°C under 40 bar of air over Au/ZrO₂: (a) NaOH =1 eq., (b) NaOH = 2 eq., (c) NaOH = 4 eq., ($\ast$) carbon balance, and ($\star$) TOC measurement.

Fig. S5. Reaction profile for HDO oxidation over Au/ZrO₂ in the presence of 2 eq. NaOH. (∇) HDO conversion and ($\blacklozenge$) ALD, ($\blacktriangle$) HA, ($\square$) AA and ($\bullet$) DA yields versus time at 70°C, 40 bar of air, ($\ast$) carbon balance.



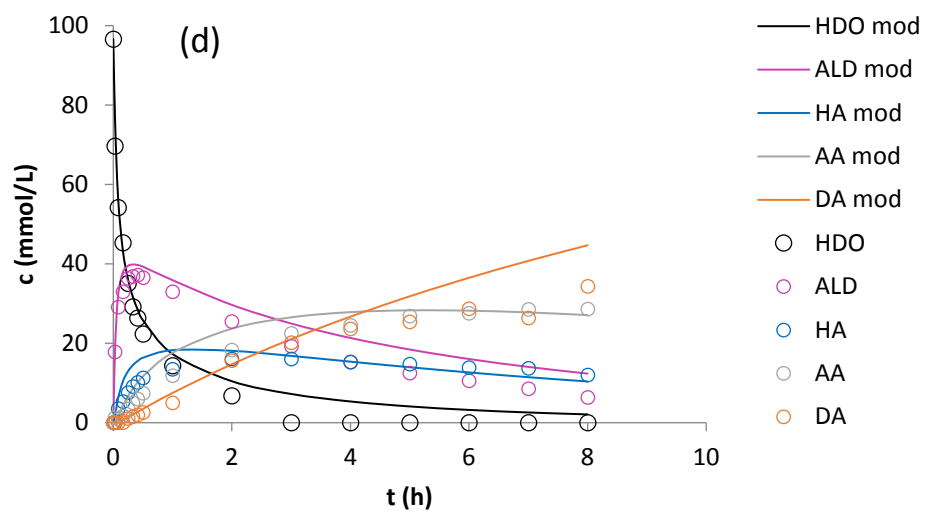
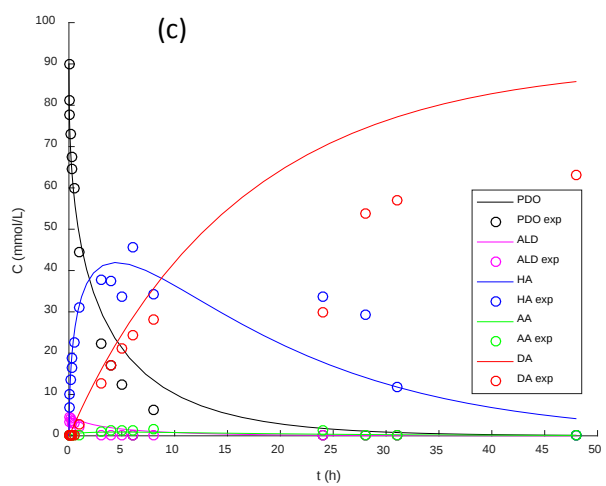
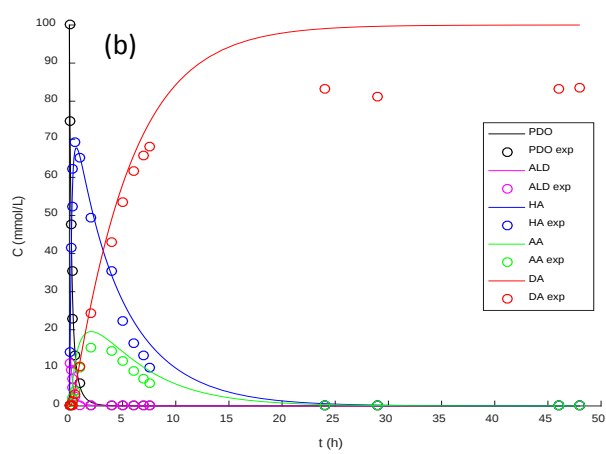
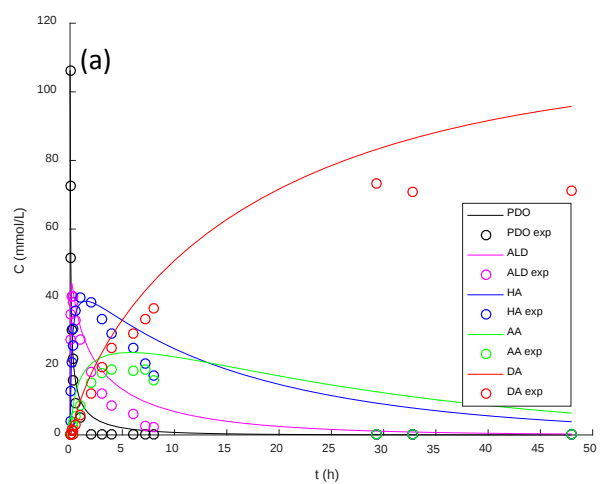


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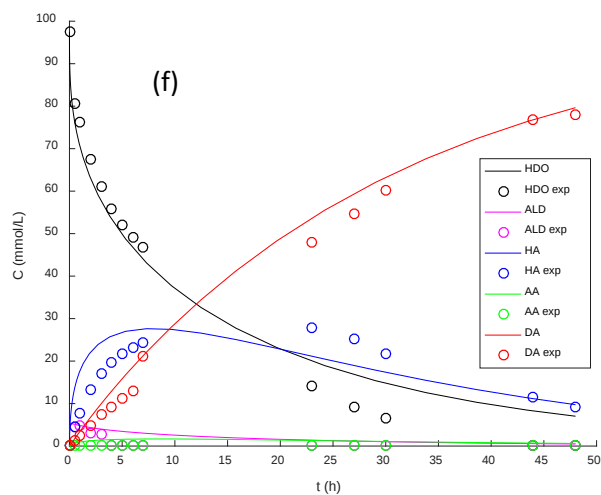
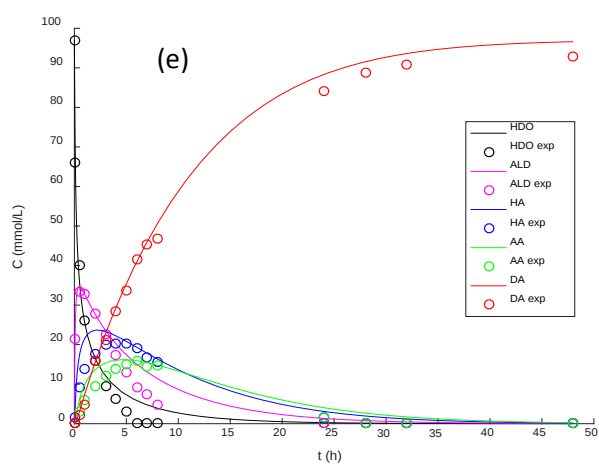
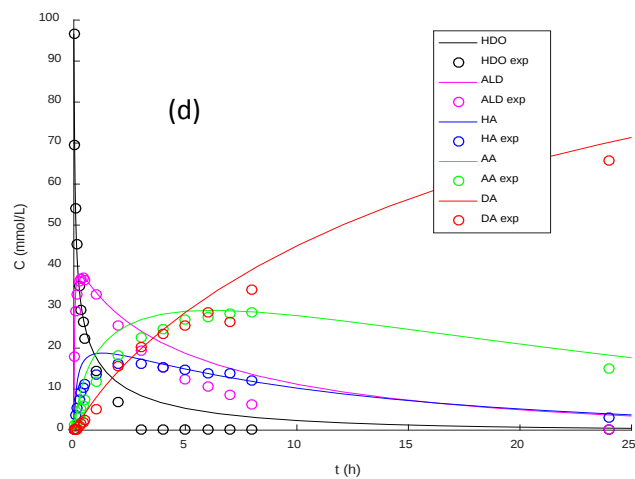


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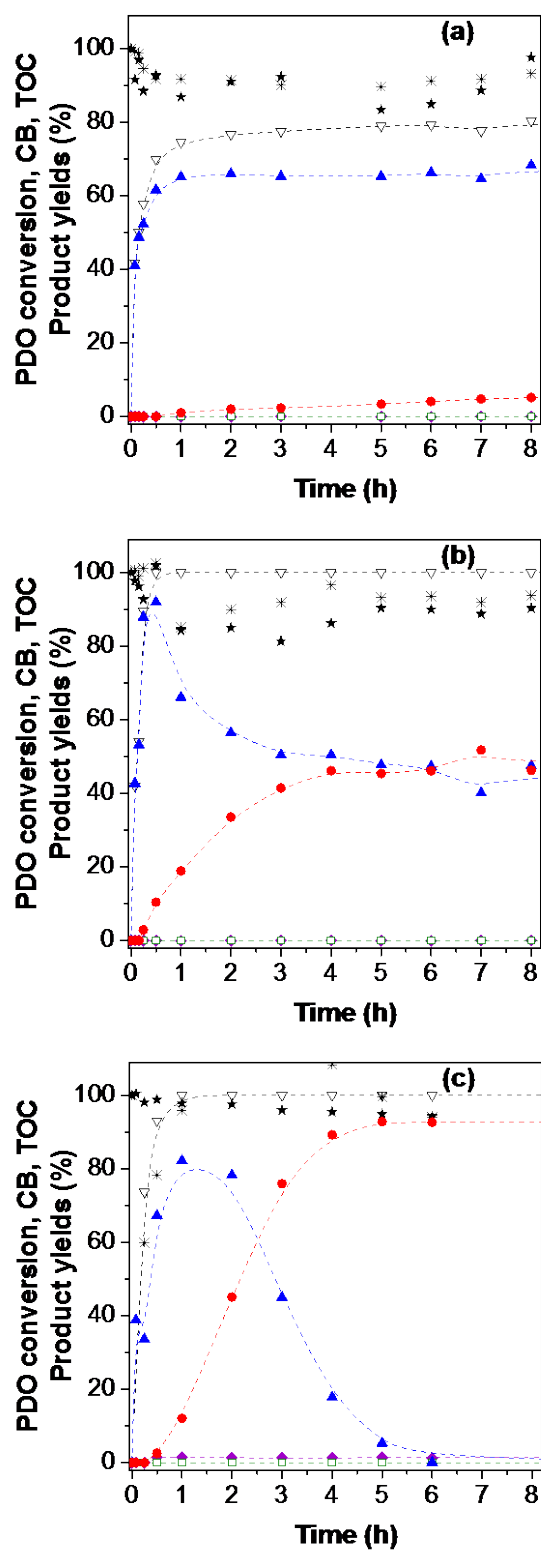


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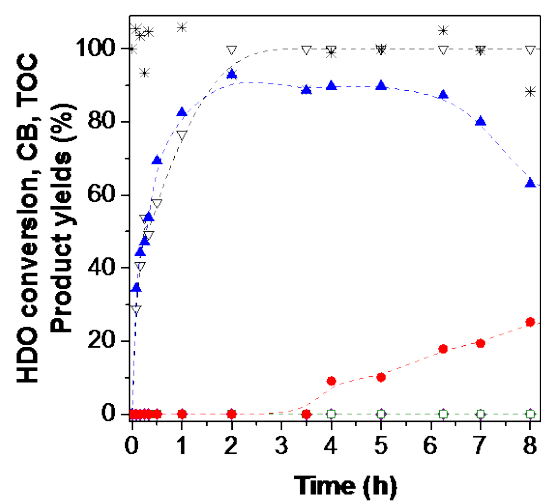


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