

Electronic Supplementary Information

One-pot Synthesis of Bio-based Polycarbonates from Dimethyl Carbonate and Isosorbide under Metal-free Condition

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PIC: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 3.86–4.07 (m, 4H, H1, H6, isosorbide), 4.51–4.55 (m, 1H, H4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H, H3, isosorbide), 5.06–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ^{13}C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 70.5 (C6, isosorbide), 73.0 (C1, isosorbide), 77.0 (C2, isosorbide), 80.8 (C5, isosorbide), 81.4 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6 (C3, isosorbide), 153.8, 153.5, 153.1 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$).

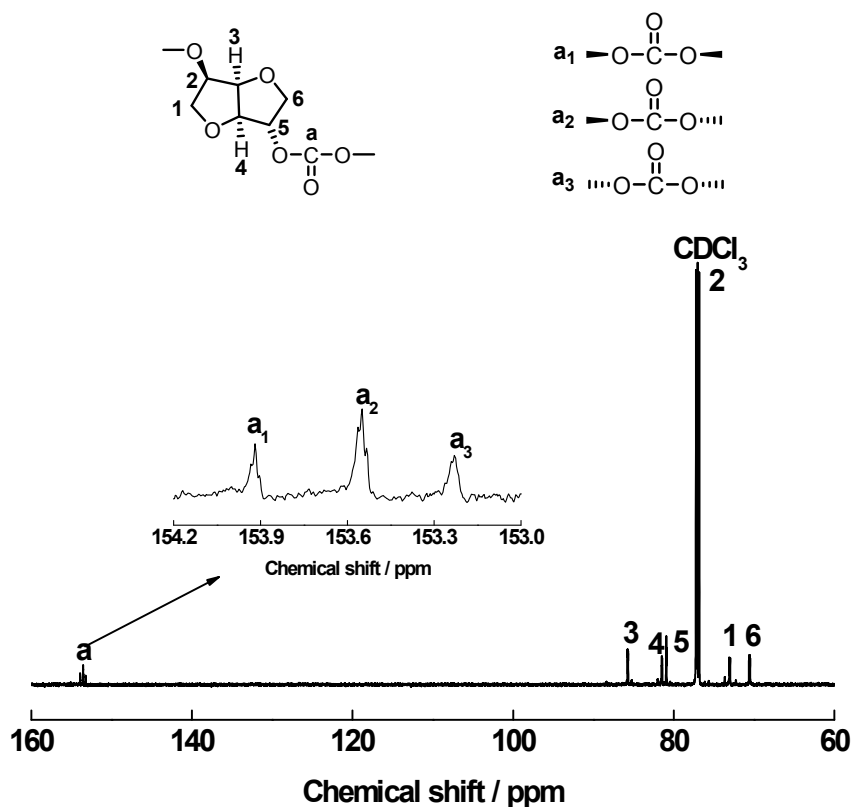


Fig. S1. Typical ^{13}C NMR spectrum of PIC catalyzed by TBD.

PDGIC: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 3.71 (d, 4H, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$), 3.90–4.07 (m, 4H, H1, H6, isosorbide), 4.28–4.34 (m, 4H, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$), 4.51–4.56 (m, 1H, H4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H, H3, isosorbide), 5.06–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ^{13}C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 67.1, 66.7 ($-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$), 68.6 ($-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$), 70.3 (C6, isosorbide), 73.0, 72.7 (C1, isosorbide), 76.9, 76.4 (C2, isosorbide), 80.9, 80.6 (C5, isosorbide), 81.2 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6, 85.4 (C3, isosorbide), 155.5–153.0 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$).

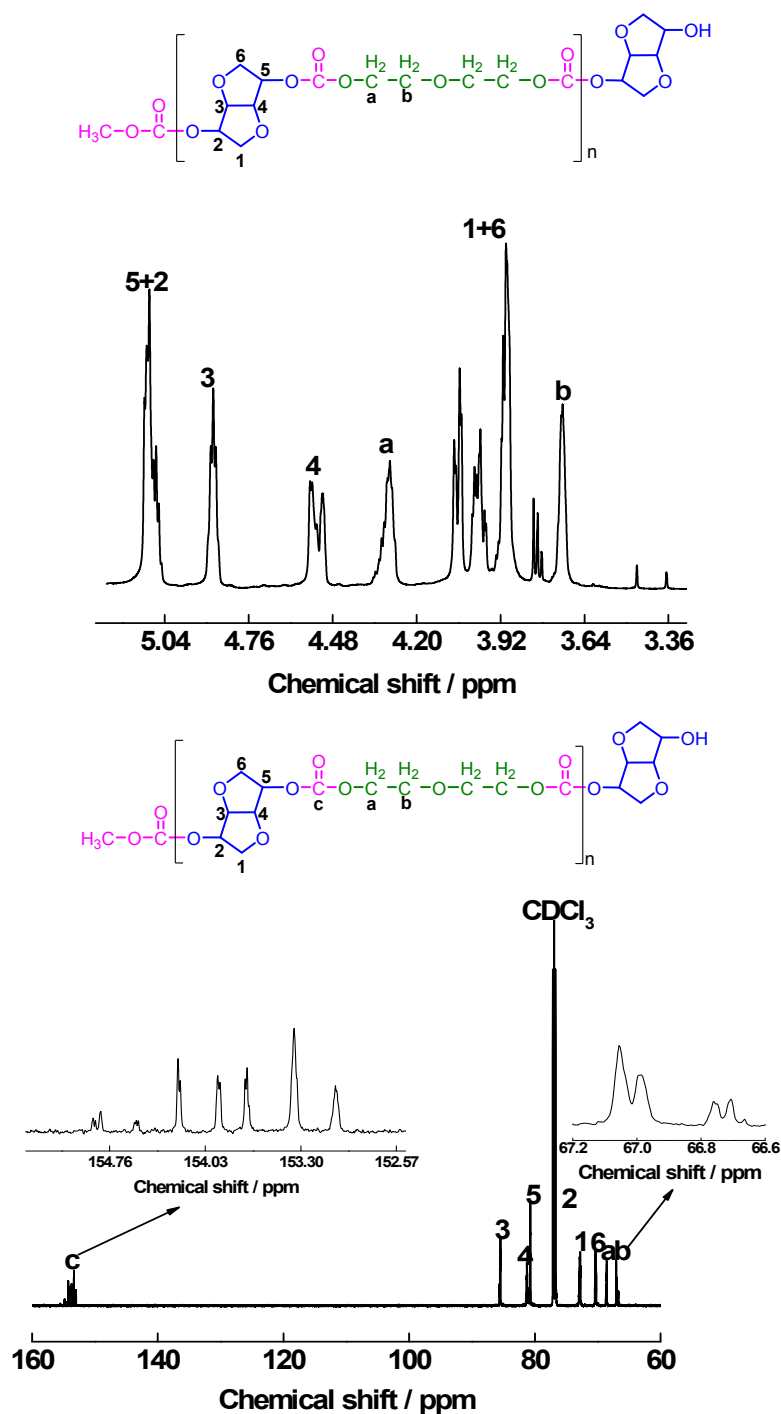


Fig. S2. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of PDGIC.

PTGIC: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 3.64 (s, 4H, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{C}$

H₂-CH₂-), 3.71 (d, 4H, -CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-), 3.89–4.07 (m, 4H, H1, H6, isosorbide), 4.27–4.33 (m, 4H, -CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-), 4.51–4.56 (m, 1H, H4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H, H3, isosorbide), 5.06–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ¹³C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): 67.1, 66.8 (-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-), 68.6 (-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-), 70.3 (C6, isosorbide), 73.0, 72.7 (C1, isosorbide), 76.9, 76.4 (C2, isosorbide), 80.9, 80.6 (C5 isosorbide), 81.2 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6, 85.4 (C3, isosorbide), 155.5–153.0 (C=O).

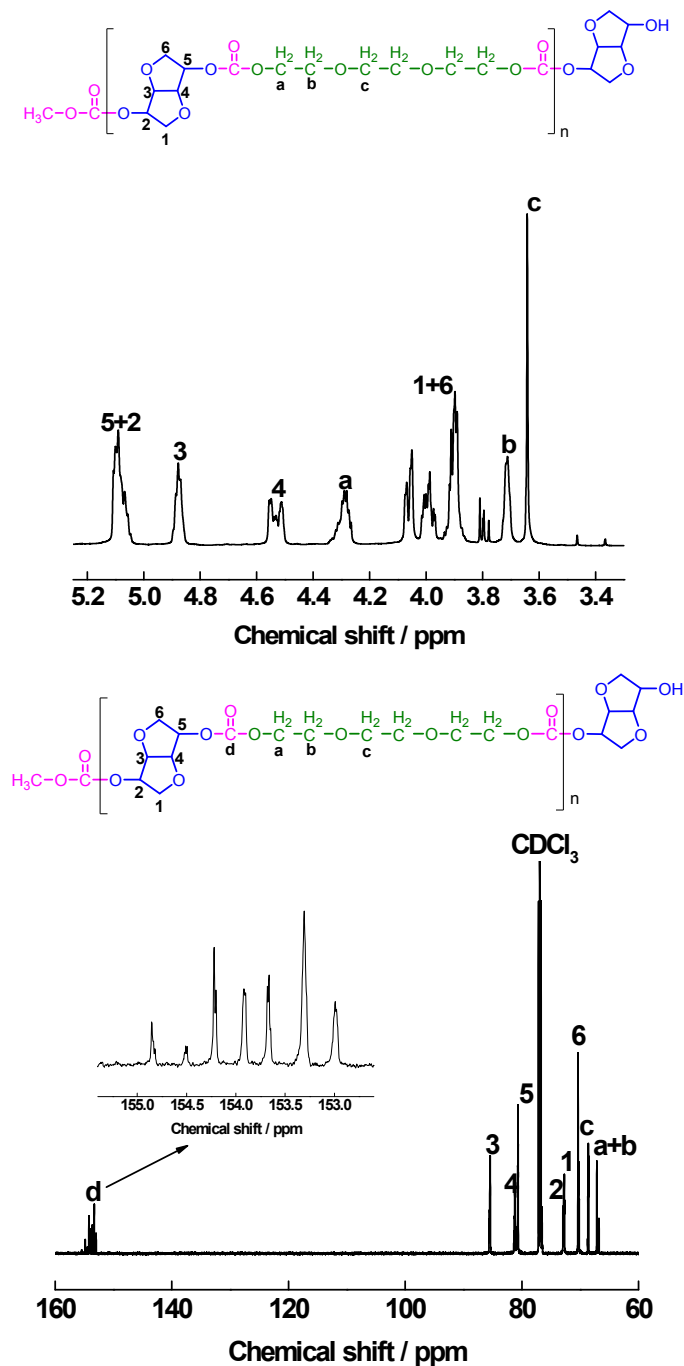


Fig. S3. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of PTGIC.

PCMIC: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.00–1.92 (m, 10H, C-ring, cyclohexane

group), 3.89–4.12 (m, 8H, $-\text{CH}_2\text{-ring}$, H1, H6, isosorbide), 4.52–4.56 (m, 1H, H4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H, H3, isosorbide), 5.06–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ^{13}C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 28.3, 24.8 (C2, C3, C5, C6, C-ring, cyclohexane group), 36.8, 34.2 (C1, C4, C-ring, cyclohexane group), 70.3 (C6, isosorbide), 70.9 ($-\text{CH}_2\text{-C-ring}$), 73.0, 72.7 (C1, isosorbide), 76.9, 76.4 (C2, isosorbide), 80.9, 80.6 (C5, isosorbide), 81.2 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6, 85.4 (C3, isosorbide), 155.7–153.0 (C=O).

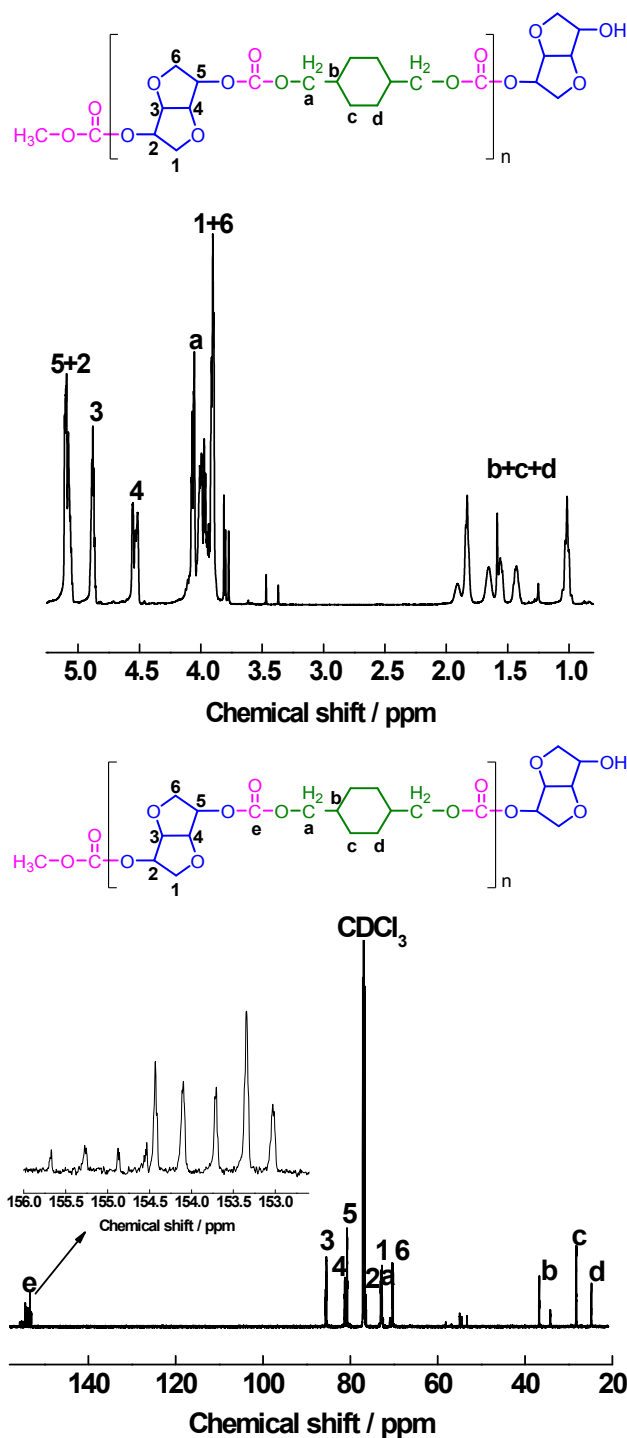


Fig. S4. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of PCMIC.

PTMIC: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 1.25–2.53 (m, 14H, C-ring), 3.89–4.08 (m, 8H, $-\text{CH}_2\text{-ring}$, H1, H6, isosorbide), 4.51–4.56 (m, 1H, H4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H, H3,

isosorbide), 5.06–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ^{13}C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 54.9–24.3 (C-ring), 70.3 (C6, isosorbide), 71.5 ($-\text{CH}_2\text{-C-ring}$), 73.0, 72.7 (C1, isosorbide), 76.9, 76.4 (C2, isosorbide), 80.9, 80.6 (C5, isosorbide), 81.2 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6, 85.4 (C3, isosorbide), 155.3–153.0 (C=O).

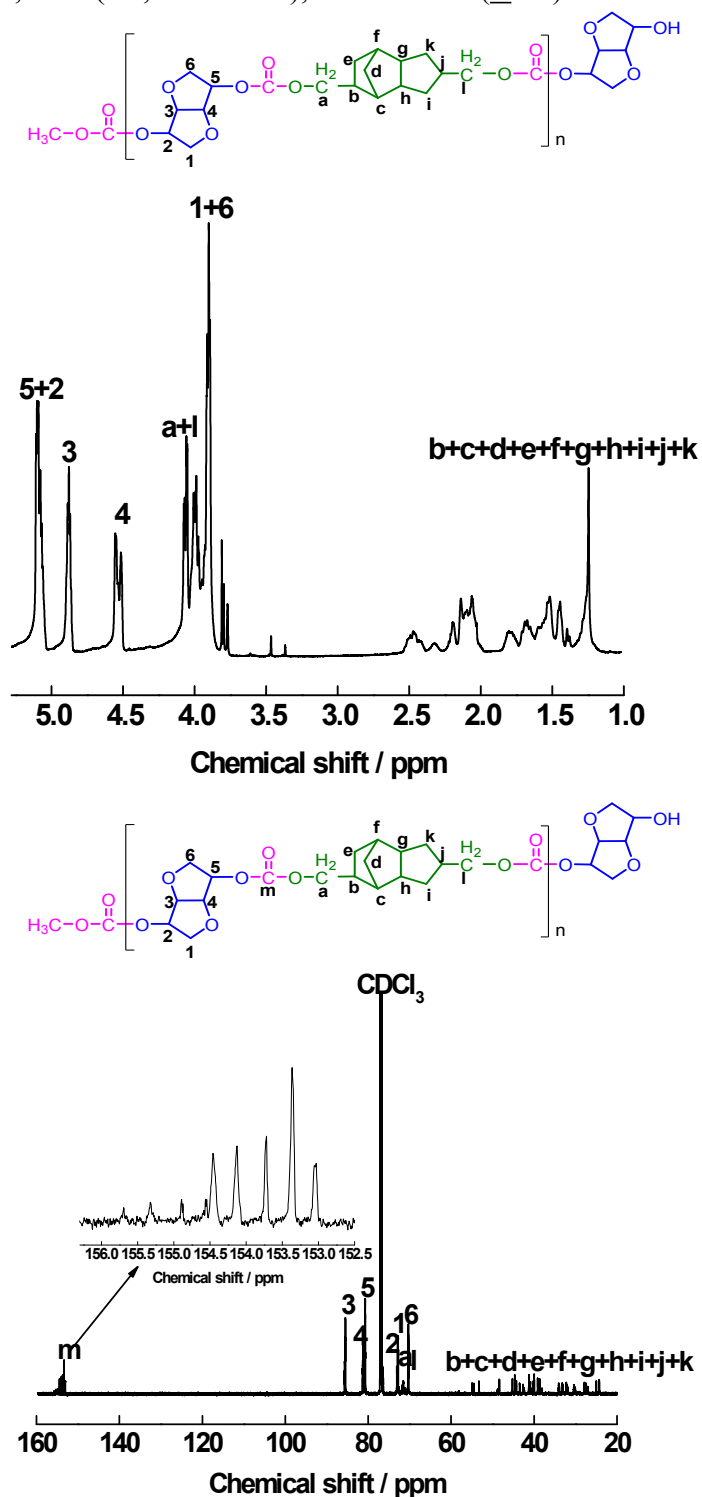


Fig. S5. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of PTMIC.

PCDIC: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 1.25–2.22 (m, 10H, C-ring, cyclohexane group), 3.89–4.08 (m, 4H, H1, H6, isosorbide), 4.51–4.55 (m, 1H, H4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H,

H3, isosorbide), 5.07–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ^{13}C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 26.8 ($\underline{\text{C}}$ -ring, cyclohexane group), 70.3 (C6, isosorbide), 73.0, 72.7 (C1, isosorbide), 76.9, 76.4 (C2, isosorbide), 80.9, 80.6 (C5, isosorbide), 81.2 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6, 85.4 (C3, isosorbide), 155.0–153.0 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$).

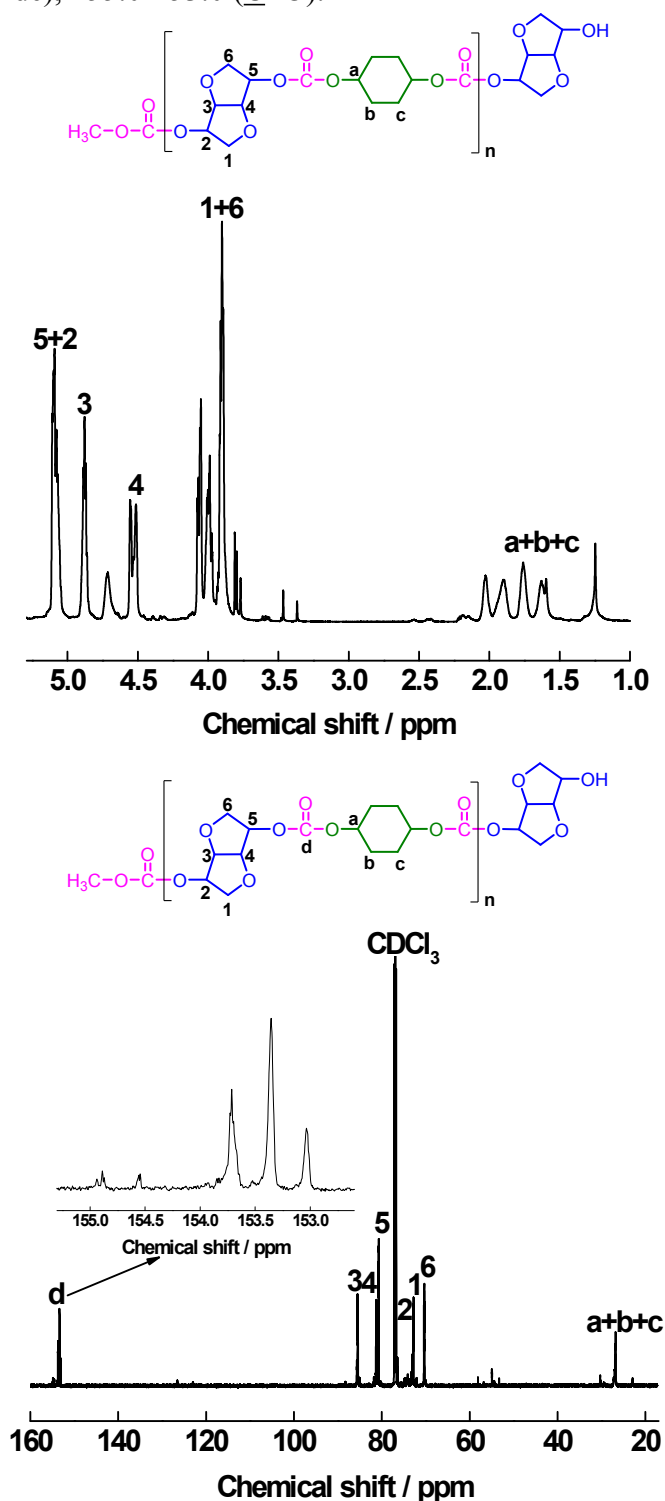


Fig. S6. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of PCDIC.

PHDIC: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 1.40 (d, 4H, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}$ H_2-), 1.67 (d, 4H, $-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2-$), 3.89–4.08 (m, 4H, H1, H6, i isosorbide), 4.10–4.18 (m, 4H, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-$), 4.52–4.55 (m, 1H, H

4, isosorbide), 4.88 (t, 1H, H3, isosorbide), 5.04–5.11 (m, 2H, H2, H5, isosorbide). ^{13}C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): 25.0 ($-\underline{\text{CH}}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}}_2-$), 28.2($-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}}_2-\text{CH}_2-$), 68.0, 67.5 ($-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}}_2-\underline{\text{CH}}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$), 70.3 (C6, isosorbide), 73.0, 72.7 (C1, isosorbide), 76.9, 76.4 (C2, isosorbide), 80.9, 80.6 (C5, isosorbide), 81.2 (C4, isosorbide), 85.6, 85.4 (C3, isosorbide), 155.5–153.0 ($\underline{\text{C}}=\text{O}$).

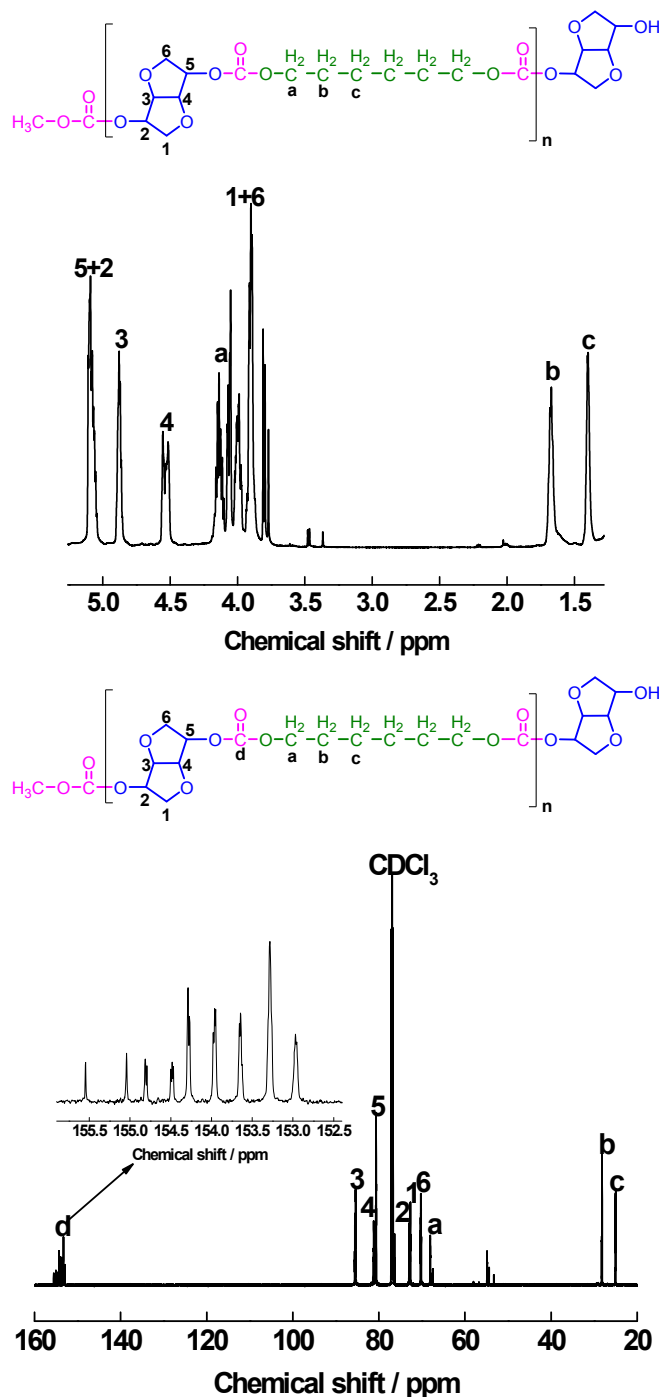


Fig. S7. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of PHDIC.

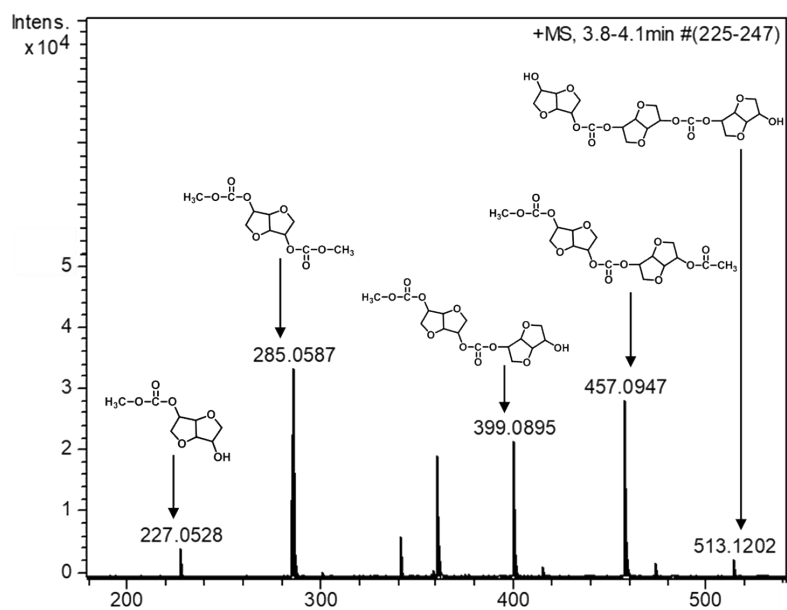


Fig. S8. ESI-MS spectrum of the key intermediates prepared at 98 °C.

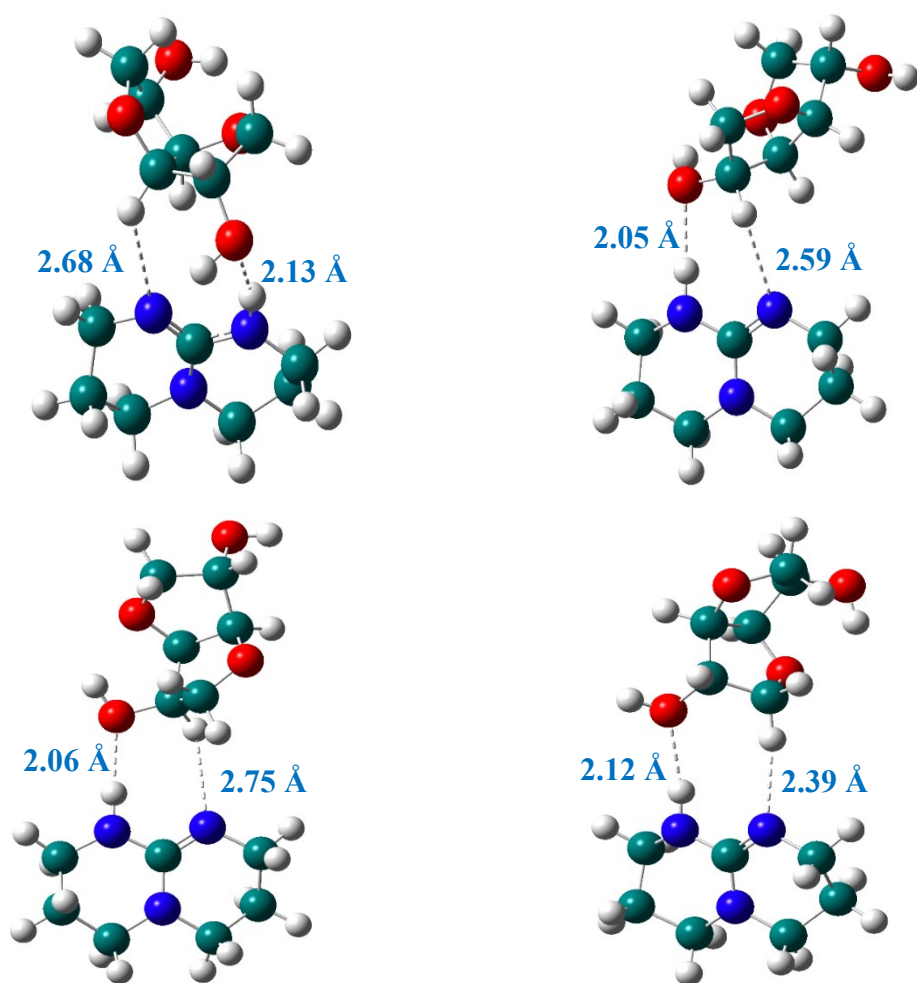


Fig. S9. Interaction of TBD and ISB