

Supporting Information

One-pot synthesis of formic acid via hydrolysis-oxidation of potato starch in the presence of cesium salts of heteropoly acid catalysts

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1. One-pot hydrolysis-oxidation of different types of plant materials to formic acid (Literature data)

Table S1. The main catalytic systems for one-pot hydrolysis-oxidation of monosaccharides into formic acid

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Substrate	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
Substrate – Glucose							
1	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.735-38.8 mmol	333-363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 3-22 h	16.7-50 mmol	98:	8-50	[1]
2	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀	0.5 mmol	363 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 6-48 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL, m _{alcohol} = 100 g. Alcohol: 1-Hexanol or 1-Heptanol	1.8 g	-	18-85	[2]
3	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	1 mmol	353 K, 60 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm, V _{H2O} = 200 mL	62.5-500 mmol L ⁻¹	-	16-38	[3]
4	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀	-	353 K, 60 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm	125 mmol L ⁻¹	-	> 85	[3]
5	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ ,	10 mol %	373 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 2 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 50 mL	2.5 g	-	36	[4]
6	NaVO ₃ - H ₂ SO ₄	22 mg - 0.7 wt%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 1 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	100 mg	100	68	[5]
7	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H2O} = 20 mL	0.2 g	100	55	[6]

Table S1. (Continue)

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Substrate	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
Substrate – Xylose							
8	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	98	54	[1]
9	NaVO ₃ – H ₂ SO ₄	22 mg - 0.7 wt%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 1 min V _{H₂O} = 6 mL	100 mg	100	66	[5]
10	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H₂O} = 20 mL	0.2 g	100	33	[6]
11	[MIMPS] ₃ HPMo ₁₁ VO ₄₀	0.05 mmol	453 K, 10 bar O ₂ , 1 h V _{H₂O} = 5 mL	2 mmol	100	55	[11]
Substrate – Sorbitol							
12	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	98	56	[1]
13	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	1 mmol	353 K, 60 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 200 mL	125-500 mmol L ⁻¹	-	15-31	[3]
14	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H₂O} = 20 mL	0.2 g	100	44	[6]

Table S2. The main catalytic systems for one-pot hydrolysis-oxidation of disaccharides into formic acid

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Substrate	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
Substrate – Cellobiose							
1	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	98	47	[1]
2	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	1 mmol	353 K, 60 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 200 mL	125 mmol L ⁻¹	-	(FA+CO ₂) = 10%	[3]
3	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀	1 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 200 mL	125 mmol L ⁻¹	-	(FA+CO ₂) = 19%	[3]
Substrate – Sucrose							
4	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	98	48	[1]
5	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀	0.5 mmol	363 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 6-48 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL, m _{alcohol} = 100 g. Alcohol: 1-Hexanol, 1-Heptanol	3.44 g	-	45-76	[2]
6	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	1 mmol	353 K, 60 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 200 mL	25 mmol L ⁻¹	-	(FA+CO ₂) = 78%	[3]
7	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀	1 mmol	353 K, 60 bar O ₂ , 8 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 200 mL	25 mmol L ⁻¹	-	(FA+CO ₂) = 100 %	[3]
8	NaVO ₃ – H ₂ SO ₄	22 mg - 0.7 wt%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 5 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	100 mg	100	65	[5]

Table S3. The main catalytic systems for one-pot hydrolysis-oxidation of polysaccharides into formic acid

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Substrate	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
Substrate – Starch							
1	VOSO ₄	0.1 mmol	413 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 1.5 h V _{H2O} = 20 mL	1 mmol	-	46	[12]
Substrate – Cellulose							
2	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	n.d	1	[1]
3	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	2 mmol 20 mmol	363 K, 50 bar O ₂ , 5-72 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 200 mL	100 mmol	-	3-31	[3]
4	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	5 mol %	443 K, 50 bar O ₂ , 9 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 50 mL	0.5 g	-	35	[4]
5	NaVO ₃ – H ₂ SO ₄	22 mg - 0.7 wt%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 120 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	100 mg	100	65	[5]
6	Co _{0.6} H _{3.8} PMo ₁₀ V ₂ O ₄₀	0.01M	433 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 5 h, 1500 rpm V _{H2O} = 60 mL	0.6 g	-	66	[7]
7	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) – 15%	[8]
8	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 66 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) – 68%	[8]
9	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H2O} = 20 mL	0.2 g	-	61	[6]
10	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 6 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H2O} = 20 mL	0.2 g	100	68	[6]

Table S3. (Continue)

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Substrate	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
Substrate – Cellulose							
11	Co _{0.6} H _{3.8} PMo ₁₀ V ₂ O ₄₀	0.01M	423 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 7 h, 1500 rpm V _{H2O} = 60 mL	0.6 g	-	29	[9]
12	NaVO ₃ -H ₂ SO ₄	2% - 0.35%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 5 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	0.05 g	98	95	[10]
13	[MIMPS] ₃ HPMo ₁₁ VO ₄₀	0.05 mmol	453 K, 10 bar O ₂ , 1 h V _{H2O} = 5 mL	0.335 g	93	51	[11]
14	VOSO ₄	0.2 mmol	453 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 2 h V _{H2O} = 20 mL	1 mmol	-	39	[12]
Substrate – Xylan (hemicellulose)							
15	H ₃ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	n.d.	33	[1]
16	NaVO ₃ – H ₂ SO ₄	22 mg - 0.7 wt%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 30 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	100 mg	100	64	[5]
17	H ₃ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) – 88%	[8]
18	H ₃ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 66 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) – 100%	[8]
19	Co _{0.6} H _{3.8} PMo ₁₀ V ₂ O ₄₀	0.01M	393 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 2 h, 1500 rpm V _{H2O} = 60 mL	0.6 g	-	42	[9]

Table S3. (Continue)

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Substrate	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
Substrate – Xylan (hemicellulose)							
20	NaVO ₃ -H ₂ SO ₄	2% - 0.35%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 5 min V _{H₂O} = 6 mL	0.05 g	-	86	[10]
21	K ₅ V ₃ W ₃ O ₁₉	1 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 100 mL	100 mmol	-	24	[13]
Substrate – Arabinogalactan (hemicellulose)							
22	Co _{0.6} H _{3.8} PMo ₁₀ V ₂ O ₄₀	0.01 M	393 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 1 h, 1500 rpm V _{H₂O} = 60 mL	0.6 g	-	40	[9]

Table S4. The main catalytic systems for one-pot hydrolysis-oxidation of lignin into formic acid

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions		Results		Ref.
		Amount		Lignin	Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
1	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	120 mg	n.d.	14	[1]
2	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 66 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) – 100%	[8]
3	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 66 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) – 100%	[8]
4	NaVO ₃ -H ₂ SO ₄	2% - 0.35%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 5 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	0.05 g	88	17	[10]
5	K ₅ V ₃ W ₃ O ₁₉	1mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	100 mmol	-	7	[13]

Table S5. The main catalytic systems for one-pot hydrolysis-oxidation of biomass into formic acid

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions			Results		Ref.
		Amount		Biomass		Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
					Amount			
1	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.03 mmol	353 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 26 h	poplar sawdust	120 mg	n.d.	1	[1]
2	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 100 rpm V _{H₂O} = 100 mL	poplar	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) - 77%	[8]
3	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 66 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 100 mL	poplar	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) - 80%	[8]
4	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 6 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H₂O} = 20 mL	bagasse	0.2 g	100	61 AA - 20%	[6]
5	H ₄ PVMo ₁₁ O ₄₀	0.1 mmol	453 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 3 h, 600 rpm V _{H₂O} = 20 mL	hay	0.2 g	100	55 AA - 14%	[6]
6	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀	0.5 mmol	363 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 6-48 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 100 mL, m _{alcohol} = 100 g. Alcohol: 1-Hexanol, 1-Heptanol	beech wood	1.63 g	-	10-61	[2]
7	H ₈ PV ₅ Mo ₇ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	2 mmol 20 mmol	363 K, 50 bar O ₂ , 1-24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 200 mL	beech wood	100 mmol	-	2-29	[3]
8	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 100 mL	beech	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) - 52%	[8]
9	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 66 h, 1000 rpm V _{H₂O} = 100 mL	beech	2.7 g		(FA + CO ₂) - 87%	[8]

Table S5. (Continue)

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions			Results		Ref.
		Amount		Biomass		Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
					Amount			
10	$K_5V_3W_3O_{19}$	1mmol	388 K, 50 bar O_2 , 72 h, 1100 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 10$ mL	beech	4 mmol	-	13	[13]
11	$Co_{0.6}H_{3.8}PMo_{10}V_2O_{40}$	0.01M	423 K, 20 bar O_2 , 7 h, 1500 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 60$ mL	aspen wood	0.6 g	-	53	[9]
12	$H_8PV_5Mo_7O_{40}$ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	2 mmol 20 mmol	363 K, 50 bar O_2 , 5-24 h, 1000 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 200$ mL	spruce wood	100 mmol	-	17-35	[3]
13	$H_5PV_2Mo_{10}O_{40}$	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O_2 , 24 h, 1000 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 100$ mL	pine	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO_2) - 48%	[8]
14	$H_5PV_2Mo_{10}O_{40}$ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O_2 , 24 h, 1000 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 100$ mL	pine	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO_2) - 72%	[8]
15	$H_5PV_2Mo_{10}O_{40}$	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O_2 , 24 h, 100 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 100$ mL	waste paper	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO_2) - 26%	[8]
16	$H_5PV_2Mo_{10}O_{40}$ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O_2 , 24 h, 1000 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 100$ mL	waste paper	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO_2) - 68%	[8]
17	$H_5PV_2Mo_{10}O_{40}$	0.75 mmol	363 K, 30 bar O_2 , 24 h, 1000 rpm $V_{H_2O} = 100$ mL	cyanobacteria	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO_2) - 33%	[8]

Table S5. (Continue)

Run	Catalyst		Experimental conditions			Results		Ref.
		Amount		Biomass		Conversion, (%)	Yield of FA (%)	
					Amount			
18	H ₅ PV ₂ Mo ₁₀ O ₄₀ - p-toluenesulfonic acid	0.75 mmol 1.9 g	363 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 24 h, 1000 rpm V _{H2O} = 100 mL	cyanobacteria	2.7 g	-	(FA + CO ₂) - 71%	[8]
19	Co _{0.6} H _{3.8} PMo ₁₀ V ₂ O ₄₀	0.01M	423 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 7 h, 1500 rpm V _{H2O} = 60 mL	miscanthus	0.6 g	-	45	[9]
20	Co _{0.6} H _{3.8} PMo ₁₀ V ₂ O ₄₀	0.01M	423 K, 20 bar O ₂ , 7 h, 1500 rpm V _{H2O} = 60 mL	waste paper	0.6 g	-	24	[9]
21	NaVO ₃ -H ₂ SO ₄	2% - 0.35%	433 K, 30 bar O ₂ , 5 min V _{H2O} = 6 mL	wheat straw	0.05 g	100	75	[10]

2. Synthesis of heteropoly acids

2.1. Synthesis of $\text{H}_4\text{PW}_{11}\text{VO}_{40}$

Stage A: Commercially available $\text{H}_3\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ (15 g) were dissolved in 100 mL of H_2O at room temperature. When the acids were completely dissolved, pH of the solutions were adjusted to 4.8 for $[\text{PW}_{11}\text{O}_{39}]^{7-}$ by adding drop by drop concentrated NaOH solution.

Stage B: Synthesis of decavanadic acid $\text{H}_6\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28}$. Diluted aqueous solution of 0.0175 M $\text{H}_6\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28}$ was prepared from V_2O_5 by the "peroxide" method.

Stage C: The $\text{H}_6\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28}$ solution prepared at stage B was added to the solution of $[\text{PW}_{11}\text{O}_{39}]^{7-}$ prepared at Stage A. The solutions were mixed under stirring at room temperature.

2.1. Synthesis of $\text{H}_5\text{SiW}_{11}\text{VO}_{40}$

Stage A: synthesis of $[\text{SiW}_{11}\text{O}_{39}]^{8-}$ anions. Commercially available $\text{H}_4\text{SiW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ (15 g) were dissolved in 100 mL of H_2O at room temperature. When the acids were completely dissolved, pH of the solutions were adjusted to 5.5-6.0 for $[\text{SiW}_{11}\text{O}_{39}]^{8-}$ by adding drop by drop concentrated NaOH solution.

Stage B: Synthesis of decavanadic acid $\text{H}_6\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28}$. Diluted aqueous solution of 0.0175 M $\text{H}_6\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28}$ was prepared from V_2O_5 by the "peroxide" method (see our previous paper [14]).

Stage C: The $\text{H}_6\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28}$ solution prepared at stage B was added to the solution of $[\text{SiW}_{11}\text{O}_{39}]^{8-}$ prepared at Stage A. The solutions were mixed under stirring at room temperature.

3. Characterization of Cs-salts of heteropoly acids

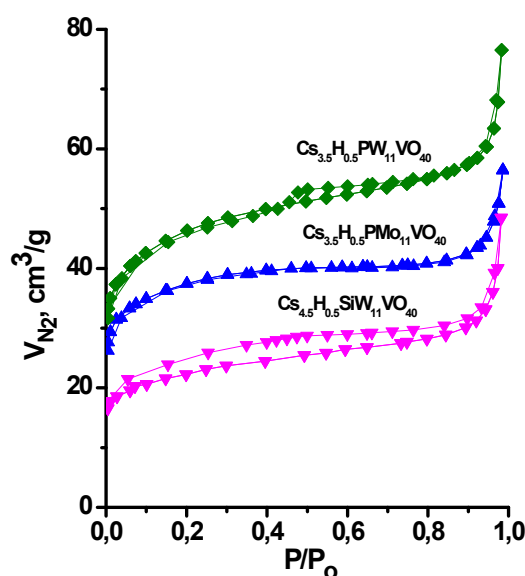


Figure S1. Adsorption-desorption isotherms of N_2 onto cesium salts of heteropoly acids

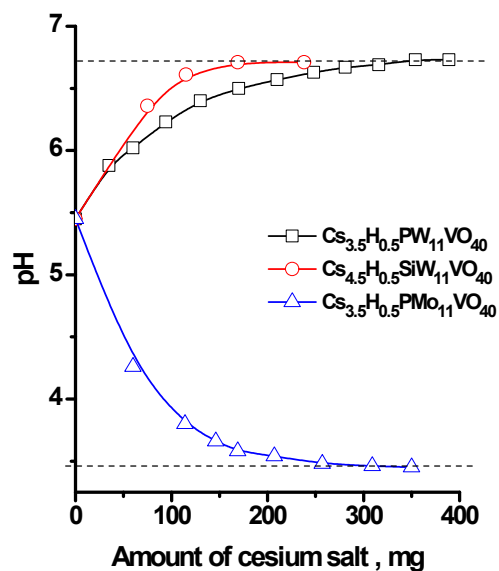


Figure S2. Correlation between pH and amount of cesium salts of heteropoly acids in water

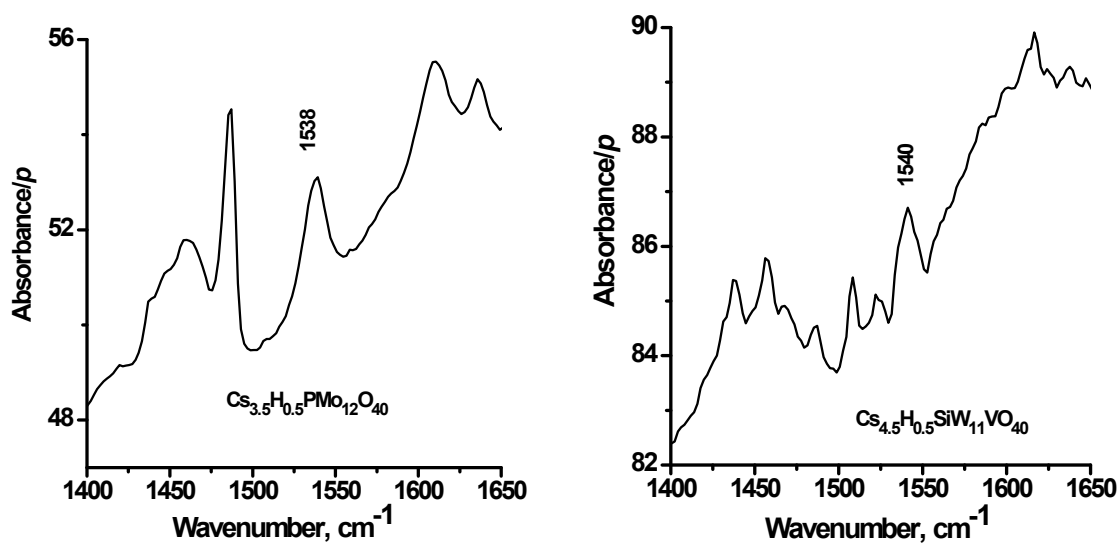


Figure S3. IR spectrum of adsorbed pyridine onto $\text{Cs}_{3.5}\text{H}_{0.5}\text{PMo}_{11}\text{VO}_{40}$ and $\text{Cs}_{4.5}\text{H}_{0.5}\text{SiW}_{11}\text{VO}_{40}$

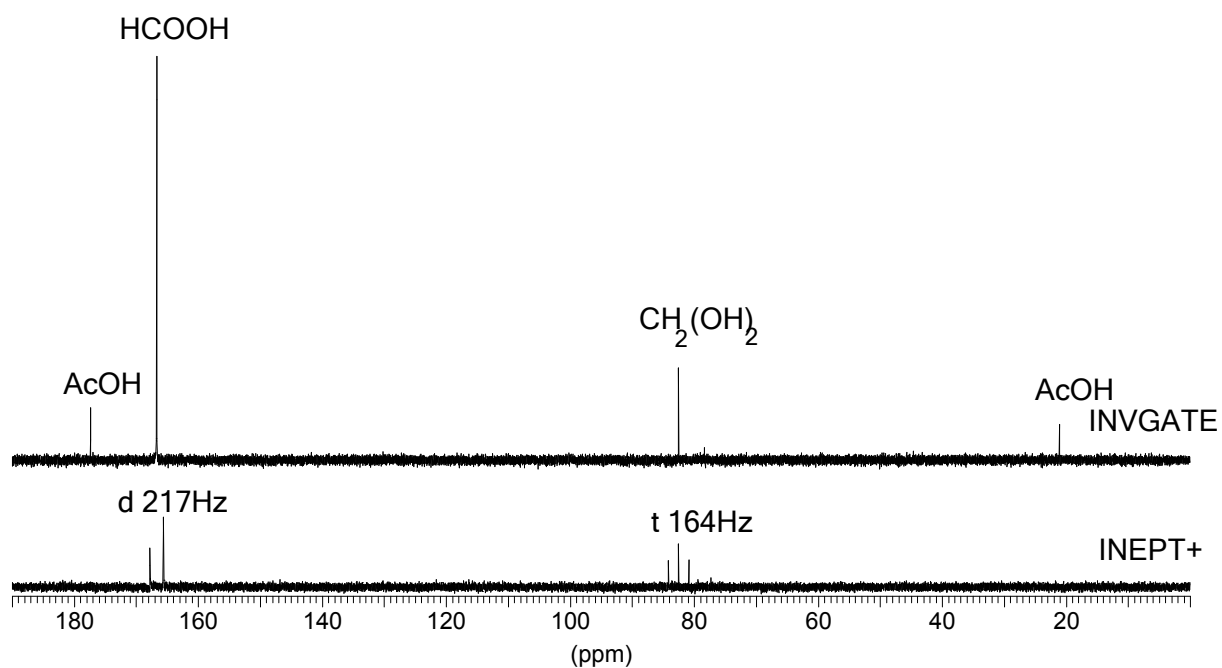


Figure S4 ^{13}C NMR spectra of the sample Cs-PMoV: inverse gated (top) and INEPT+ (no decoupling, bottom).

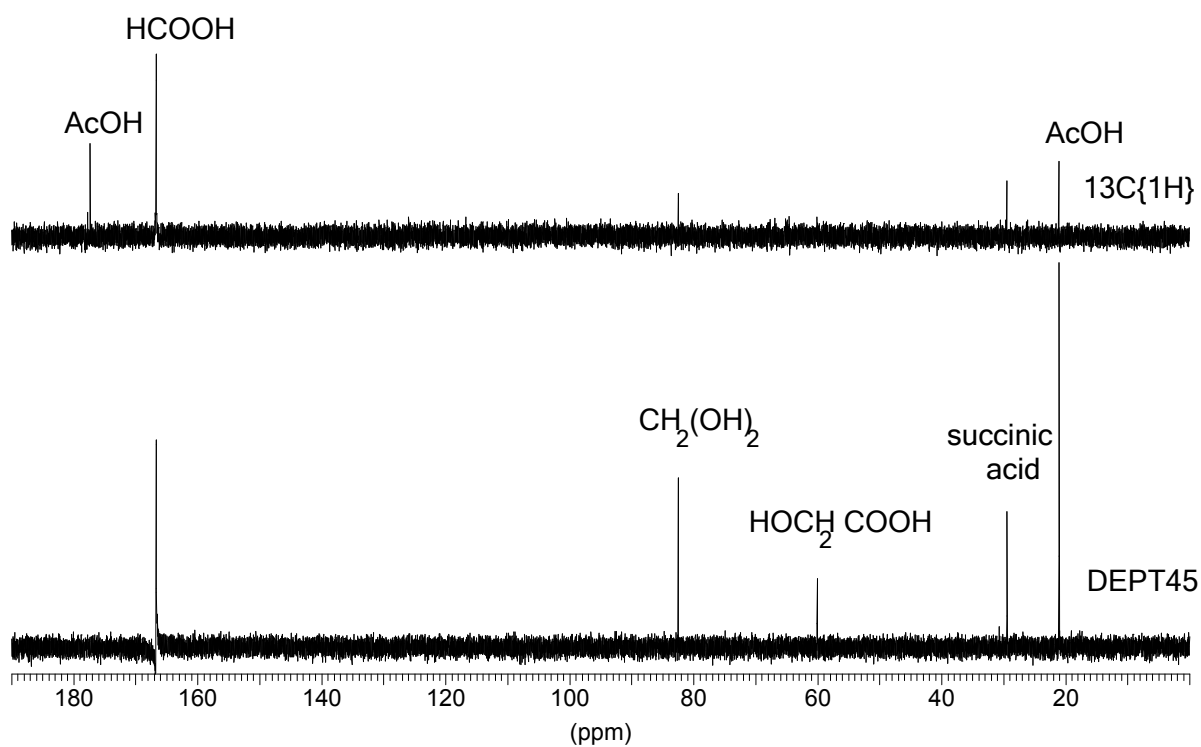


Figure S5 ^{13}C NMR spectra of the sample Cs-PWV: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ (top) and DEPT45 (bottom).

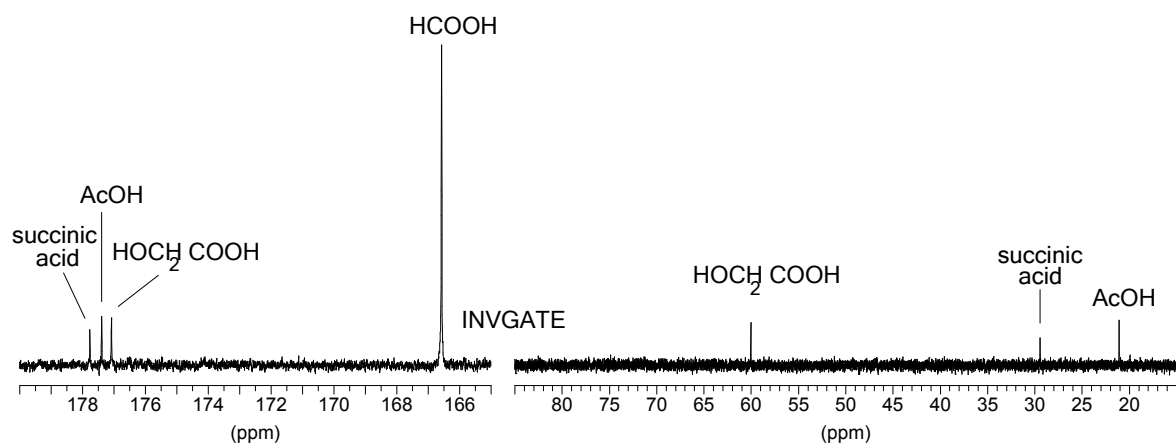


Figure S6 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of the sample Cs-SiWV (inverse gated).

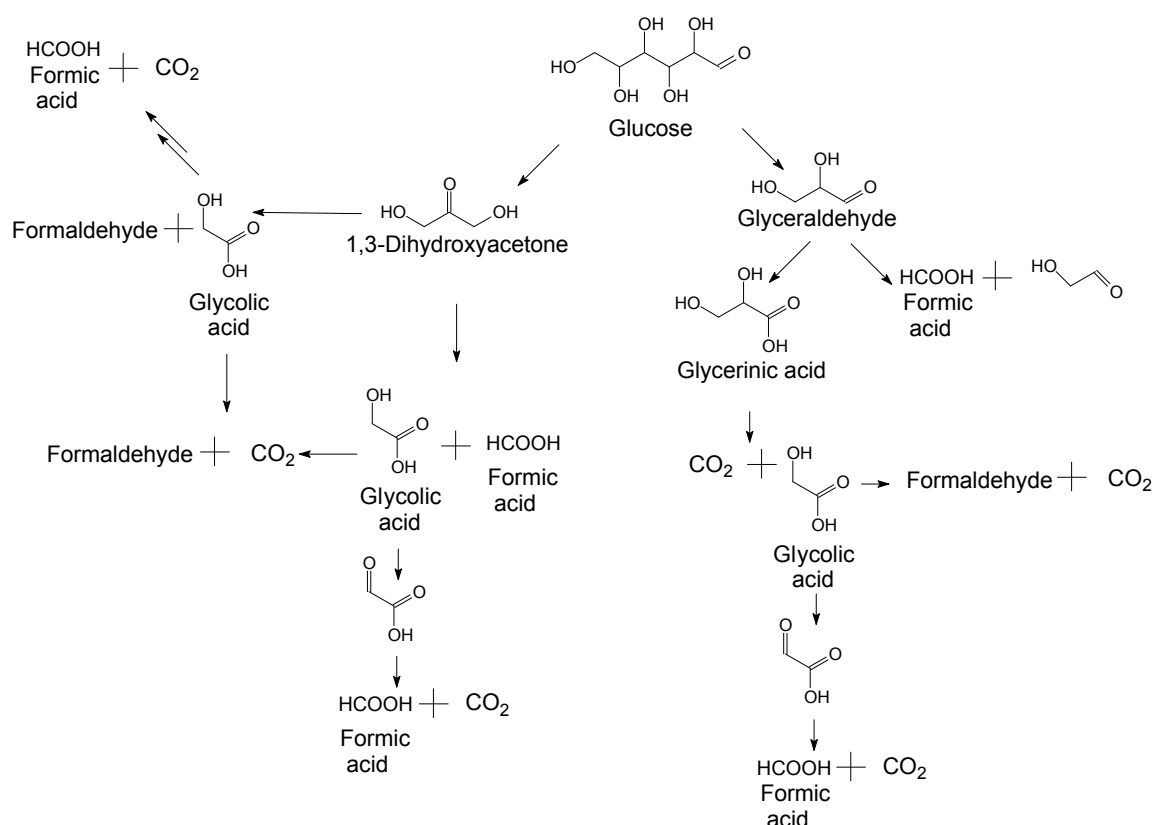
CH_3COOH : ^1H (δ , ppm): 2.08; ^{13}C (δ , ppm): 21.03, 177.38

HCOOH : ^1H (δ , ppm): 8.23; ^{13}C (δ , ppm): 166.6

HOCH_2COOH : ^1H (δ , ppm): 4.20; ^{13}C (δ , ppm): 60.02, 177.06

$(\text{CH}_2\text{COOH})_2$: ^1H (δ , ppm): 2.66; ^{13}C (δ , ppm): 29.39, 177.76

$\text{CH}_2(\text{OH})_2$: ^1H (δ , ppm): 4.84; ^{13}C (δ , ppm): 82.47



Scheme S1. Mechanism of formic acid formation from glucose ¹⁵

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