

## Supplementary Information

# 1-Butyl-3-Methylimidazolium Bromide Functionalized Zeolites: Nature of Interactions and Catalytic Activity for Carbohydrates Conversion to Platform Chemicals

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**Table S1:** Decomposition temperatures of [BMIM]Br functionalized zeolites under inert and oxidative atmosphere.

Catalyst	T <sub>1</sub> (First decomposition temperature), °C	T <sub>2</sub> (Second decomposition temperature), °C
[BMIM]Br/Nay_5.1	433 (412)	550 (555)
[BMIM]Br/HY_80	450 (454)	586 (566)
[BMIM]Br/HMOR_20	475 (495)	588 (681)

The value in the parenthesis indicates the decomposition temperature under oxidative atmosphere.

**Table S2:** CHN data for various catalysts studied in this work.

S.No	Sample Name	Carbon (%)	Hydrogen (%)	Nitrogen (%)
1	NaY_5.1	0.22	2.46	0.11
2	[BMIM]Br/NaY_5.1	4.04	2.57	1.11
3	HY_80	0.21	2.02	0.01
4	[BMIM]Br/HY_80	3.04	1.32	0.67
5	HMOR_20	0.37	1.37	1.68
6	[BMIM]Br/HMOR_20	3.85	1.22	2.44

**Table S3:** N<sub>2</sub> sorption data of bare and [BMIM]Br encapsulated zeolites.

Zeolite Name – (Si/Al)	S <sub>BET</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	S <sub>μ</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	V <sub>μ</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	V <sub>p</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	Average Pore size (nm)	BJH Method		S <sub>μ</sub> / S <sub>BET</sub>	REF
						S <sub>des</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )	V <sub>des</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup> ·g <sup>-1</sup> )		
NaY_5.1	712	672	0.351	0.409	2.30	15	0.04	0.94	PW
[BMIM]Br/NaY_5.1	473	439	0.227	0.262	2.41	18	0.05	0.93	PW
HY_80	773	440	0.231	0.581	1.50	333	0.35	0.57	A
[BMIM]Br/HY_80	671	343	0.180	0.530	3.16	328	0.35	0.52	A
HMOR_20	365	306	0.160	0.273	3.00	59	0.11	0.83	A
[BMIM]Br/HMOR_20	36	-	-	0.15	16.24	36	0.15	-	A

S<sub>BET</sub> - BET surface area  
 S<sub>des</sub> - BJH desorption surface area  
 S<sub>μ</sub> - t-plot micropore surface area  
 P<sub>D</sub> - Average pore diameter  
 V<sub>p</sub> - total pore volume calculated at P/P<sub>0</sub> = 0.99  
 V<sub>μ</sub> - t-plot micropore volume  
 V<sub>des</sub> - BJH pore volume from the desorption  
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**Table S4:** The fitted values of binding energies of NaY\_5.1, [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1, HMOR\_20 and [BMIM]Br/HMOR\_20 catalysts for Al<sub>2</sub>p and O<sub>1s</sub>.

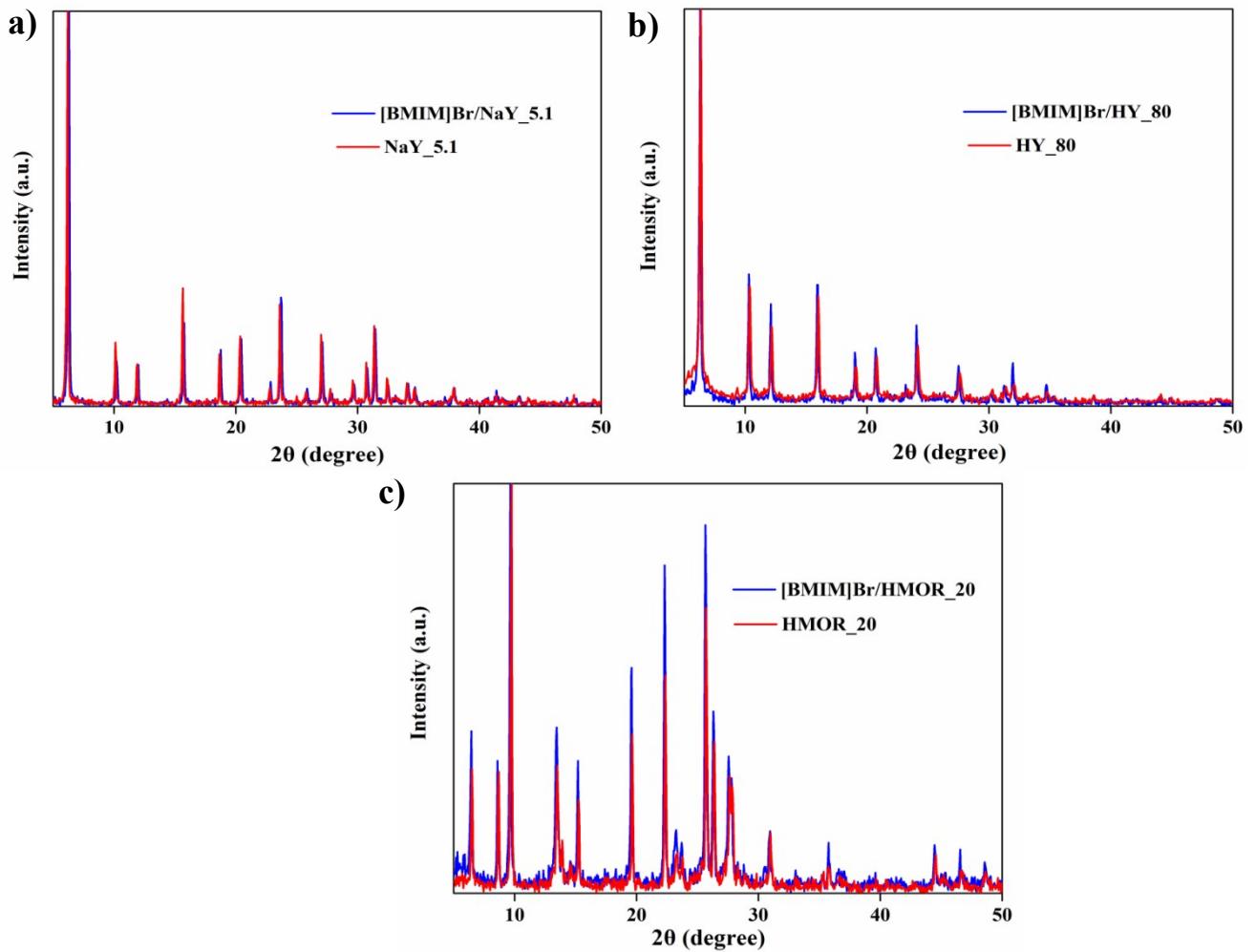
Sample	Al <sub>2</sub> p	Area (%)	Si <sub>2</sub> p	Area (%)	O <sub>1s</sub>	Area (%)
NaY_5.1	73.57	68.28	101.88	79.69	531.18	59.18
	74.46	31.72	103.43	20.31	532.53	40.82
[BMIM]Br/NaY_5.1	73.41	86.72	101.72	81.15	531.16	57.00
	75.44	13.28	103.22	18.85	532.86	43.00
HMOR_20	73.57	71.58	102.49	83.50	532.06	73.21
	75.18	28.42	104.95	16.50	534.10	26.79
[BMIM]Br/HMOR_20	73.95	67.75	102.83	73.17	532.77	81.47
	75.14	32.25	104.29	26.83	534.58	18.53

**Table S5:** Comparison of the performance of [BMIM]Br functionalized zeolites with literature data.

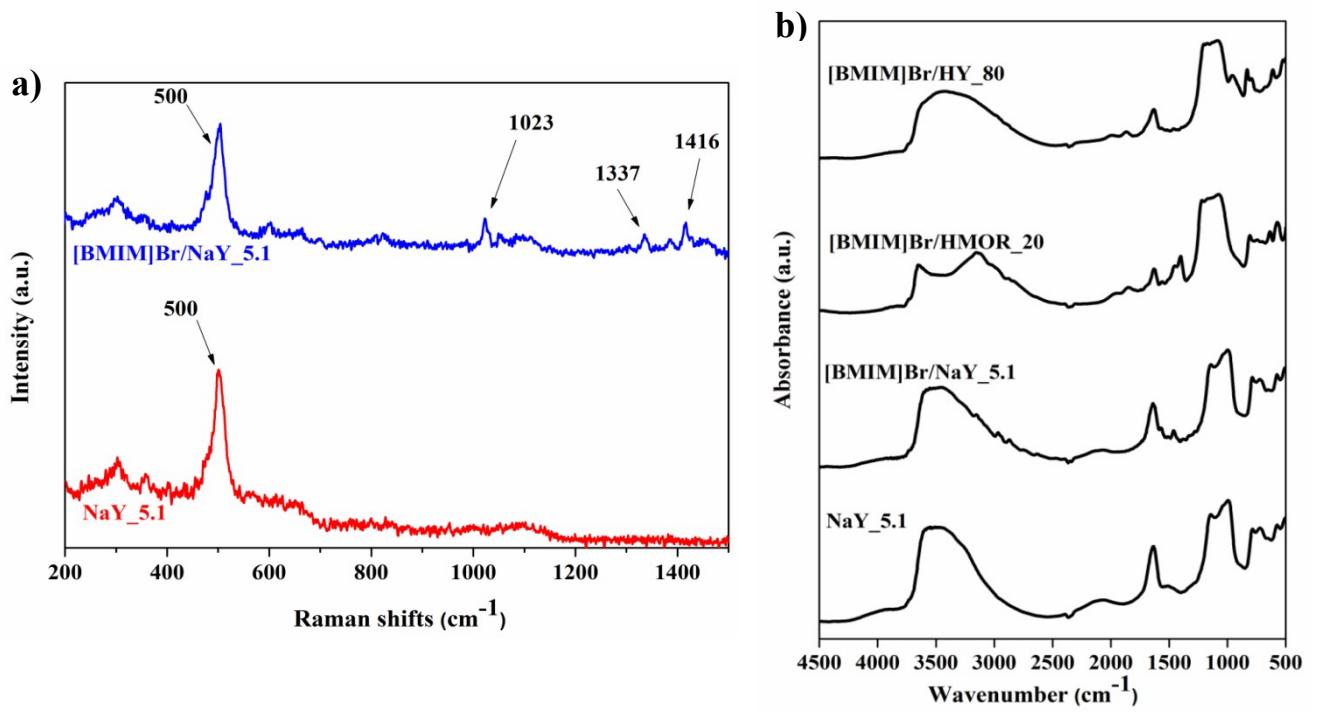
S. No.	Reactant	Catalyst	Reaction conditions Temp (°C), time (h)	5HMF Yield (%)	Ref
1	Fructose	HBETA + [BMIM]Cl	150, 0.84	86.8	[38]
2		Carbonaceous catalyst + [BMIM]Br	160, 0.25	81.4	[42]
3		CrCl <sub>3</sub> .6H <sub>2</sub> O + TEAC	130, 0.16	73.8	[43]
4		[BMIM]Br /NaY_5.1	180, 1	80	PW
5	Glucose	HBETA + [BMIM]Cl	150, 0.84	50.3	[38]
6		[BMIM]Br/HMOR_20	170, 3	39	[25]
7		Carbonaceous catalyst + [BMIM]Br	160, 0.25	46.4	[42]
8		Sn-Mont	160, 3	48.2	[44]
9		CrCl <sub>3</sub> .6H <sub>2</sub> O + TEAC	130, 0.16	71.3	[43]
10		[BMIM]Br /NaY_5.1	180, 2	62	PW
11		HBETA + [BMIM]Cl	150, 0.84	46.5	[38]
12		CuCl <sub>2</sub> /CrCl <sub>2</sub> + [EMIM]Cl	100, 8	57.5	[9]
13		Carbonaceous catalyst + [BMIM]Br	160, 0.25	40.5	[42]
14		CrCl <sub>2</sub> /RuCl <sub>3</sub> + [EMIM]Cl	120, 2	60	[45]
15	Cellulose	[BMIM]Br /NaY_5.1	180, 3	59	PW
16		[BMIM]Br /HY_80	180, 3	39	PW
17		[BMIM]Br /HMOR_20	180, 3	40	PW
PW: Present Work					

**Table S6:** Weight losses in TGA in the temperature range of 200-600°C.

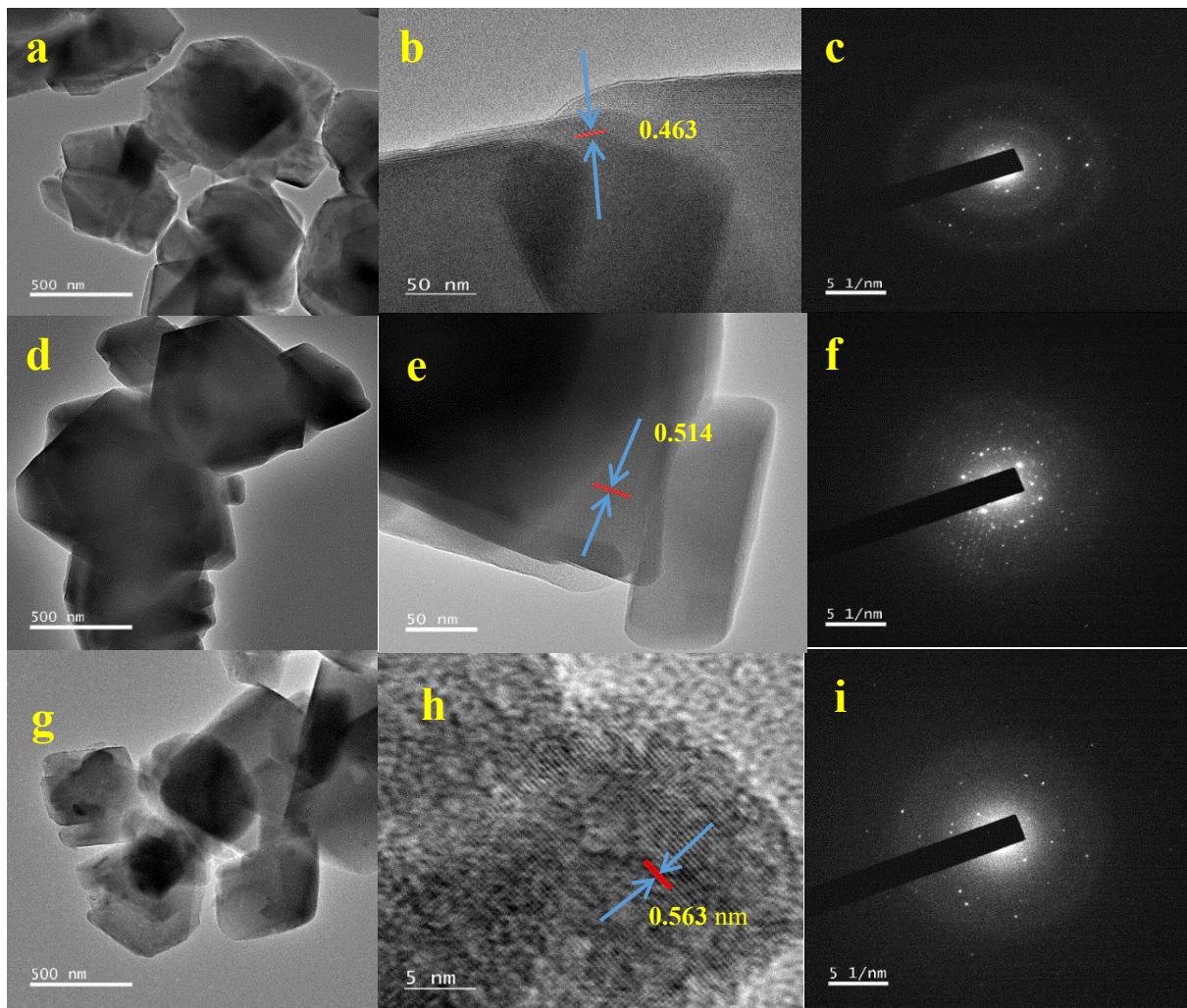
Sample	Weight loss (%)
NaY_5.1	2.8
[BMIM]Br/NaY_5.1	3.66
Recycle [BMIM]Br/NaY_5.1	49.01



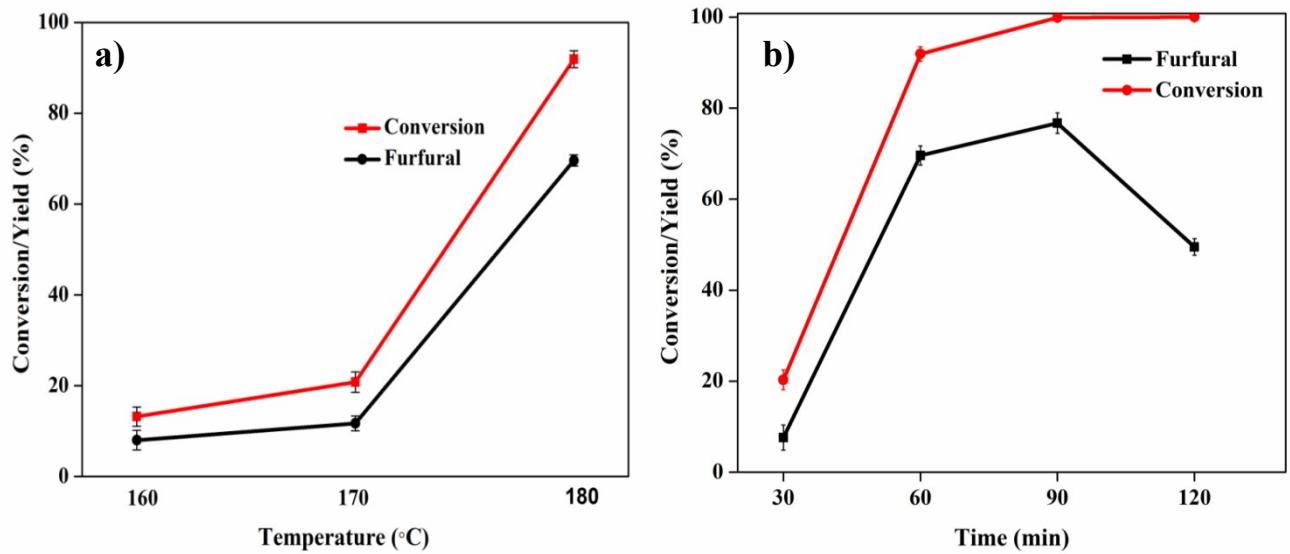
**Figure S1:** The detailed analysis of XRD pattern after [BMIM]Br encapsulation over zeolites: (a) NaY\_5.1 and [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1, (b) HY\_80 and [BMIM]Br/HY\_80, and (c) HMOR\_20 and [BMIM]Br/HMOR\_20.



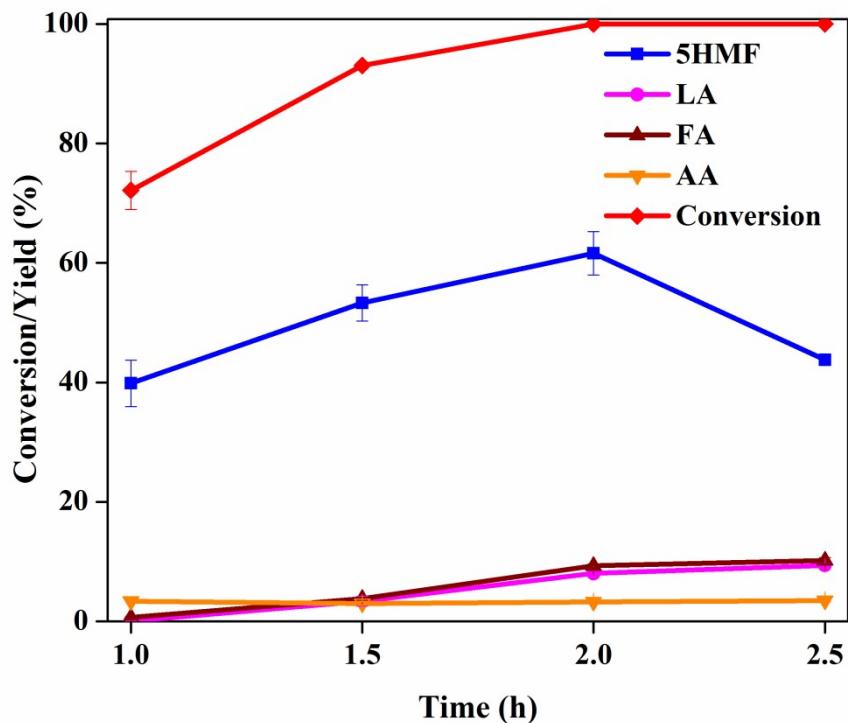
**Figure S2:** (a) Raman and (b) FTIR spectra of bare and ionic liquid encapsulated zeolites.



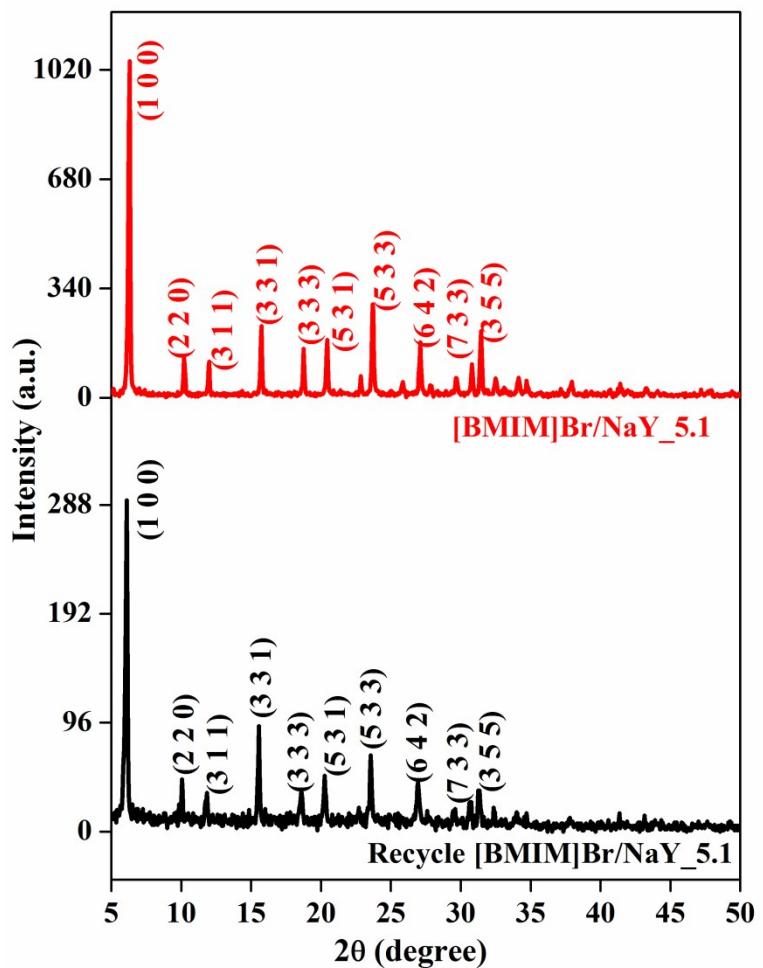
**Figure S3:** FETEM images and SAED patterns (c, f, and i) of NaY\_5.1 (a, b, and c), [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1 (d, e, and f), and Recycled BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1 (g, h, and i).



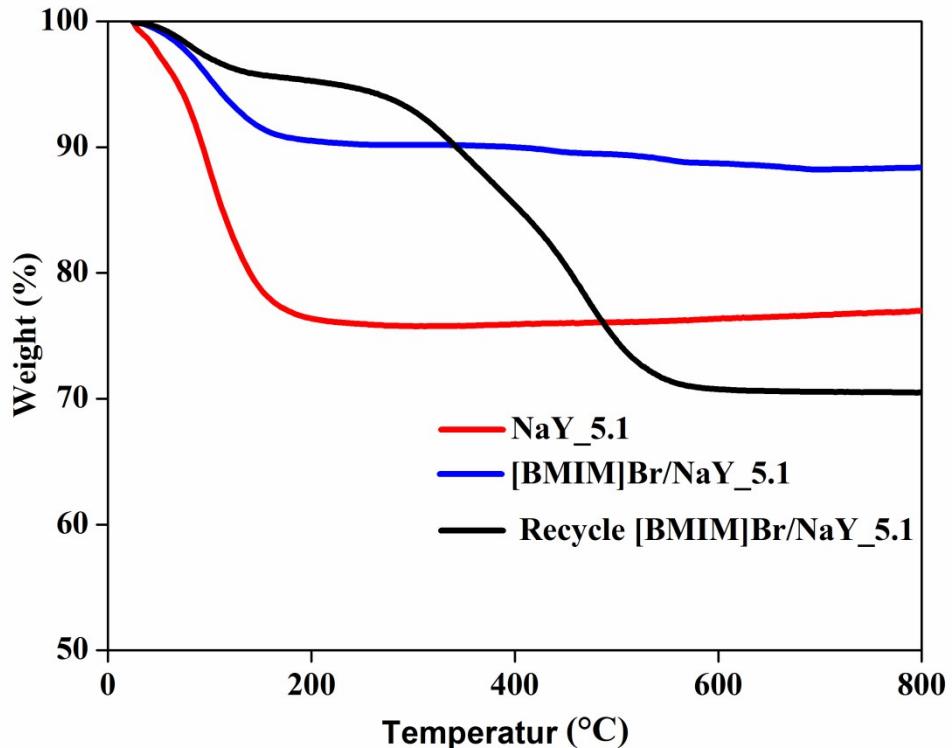
**Figure S4:** Effect of reaction temperature (at constant time 1h) (a) and time (at constant temperature 180 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) (b) on furfural yield from xylose (Reaction conditions: 2 g DI water, 0.2 g substrate, substrate: catalyst ([IL/NaY 5.1]) = 3:1 w/w, reaction phase: extractive phase = 1:2 w/w, 0.6 g NaCl).



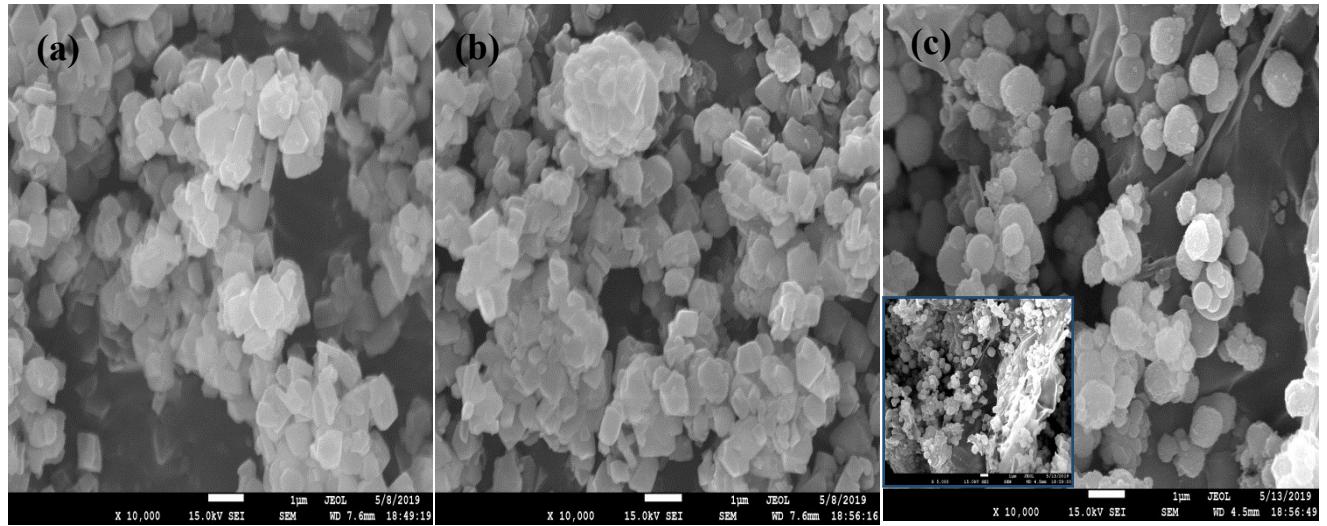
**Figure S5:** Effect of reaction time on glucose (Reaction conditions: 2 g DI water, 0.2 g substrate, substrate: catalyst ([BMIM]Br/NaY 5.1) = 3:1 w/w, reaction phase: extractive phase = 1:2 w/w, 0.6 g NaCl, and 180 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  reaction temperature).



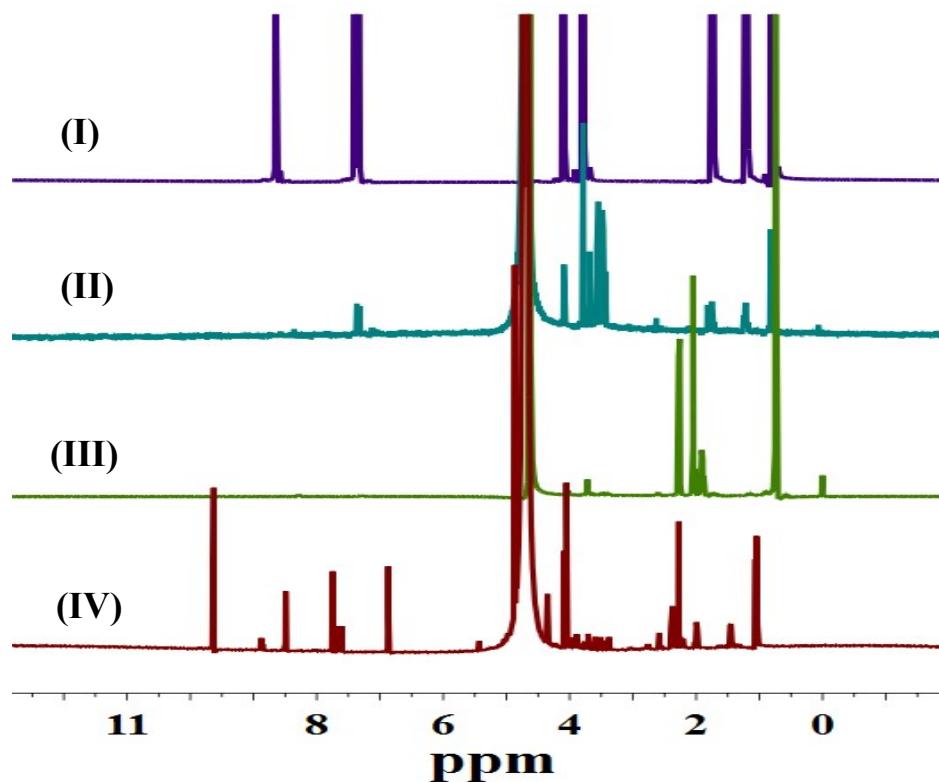
**Figure S6:** The powder XRD patterns of fresh and recycled [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1.



**Figure S7:** The TGA profiles of NaY\_5.1, [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1 and recycled [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1.



**Figure S8:** The FESEM images of (a) NaY\_5.1, (b) [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1 and (c) recycled [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1.



**Figure S9:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra for (I) pure [BMIM]Br, (II) [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1+D<sub>2</sub>O suspension before exposing to reaction conditions (room temperature) and filtration (leaching test) (III) [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1+D<sub>2</sub>O suspension after exposing to reaction conditions (180 °C and 3 h) and filtration (leaching test) and (IV) [BMIM]Br/NaY\_5.1+cellulose+NaCl+D<sub>2</sub>O suspension after exposing to reaction conditions (180 °C and 3 h) and filtration.