

## Supporting information

### Efficient Ni Based Catalysts for Hydrotreatment of Lignin Dimer Model Compounds to Cycloalkanes/Cycloalkanols

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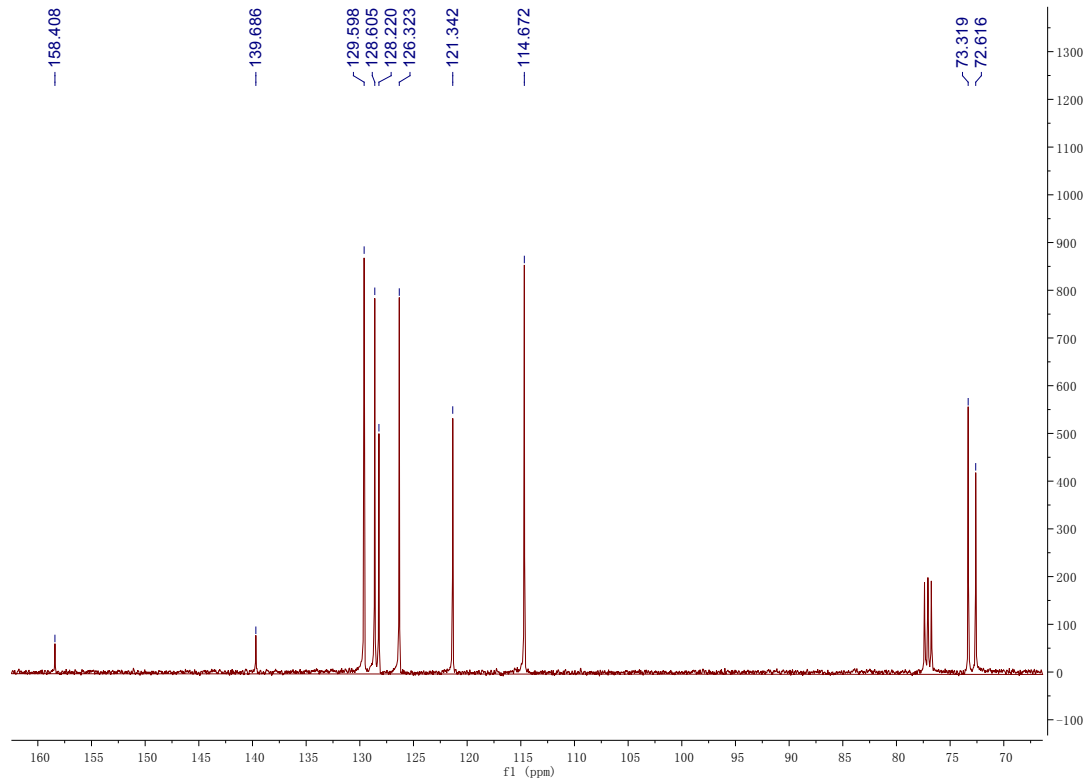
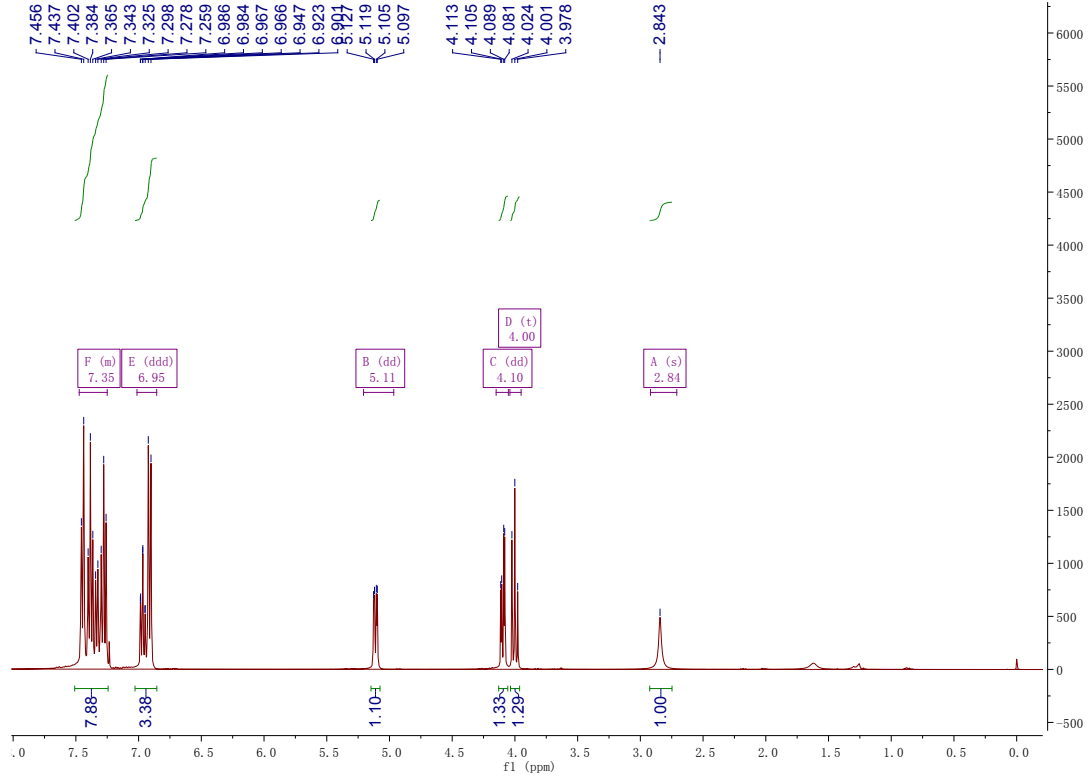
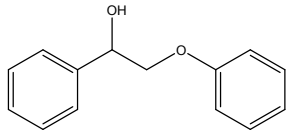
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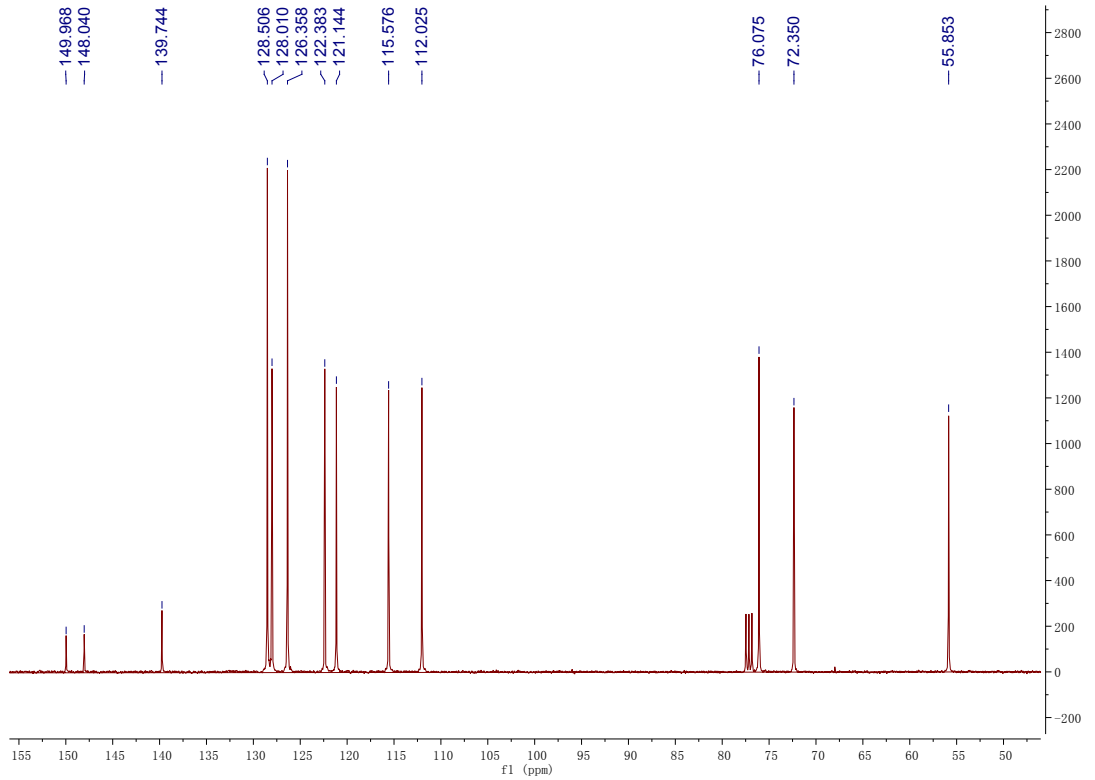
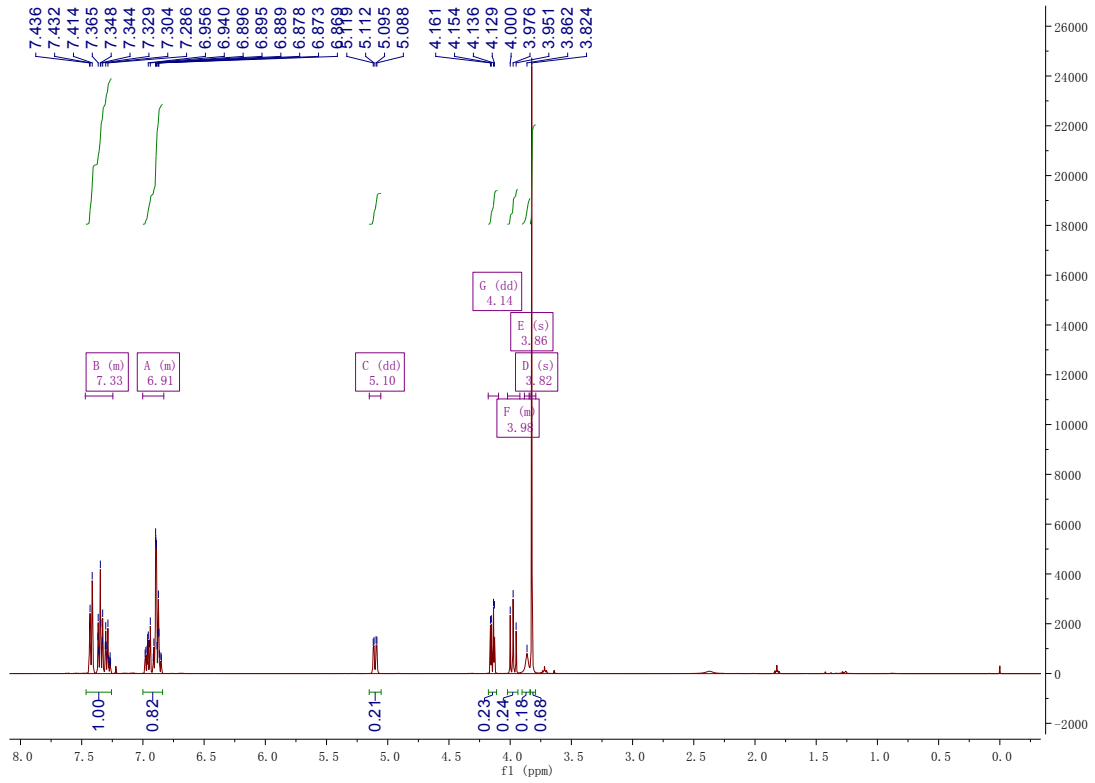
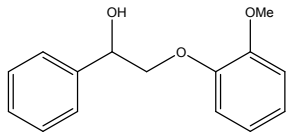
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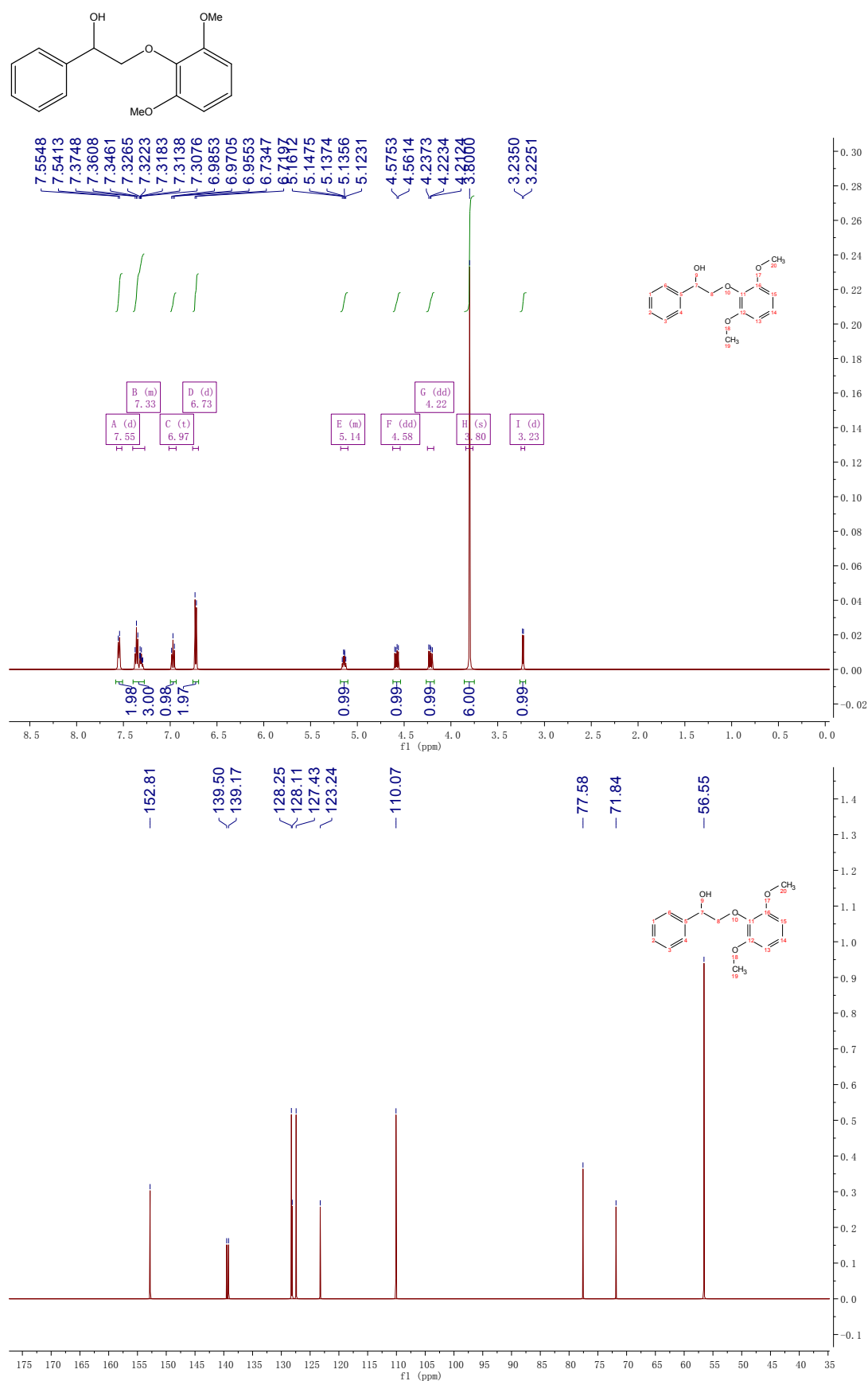


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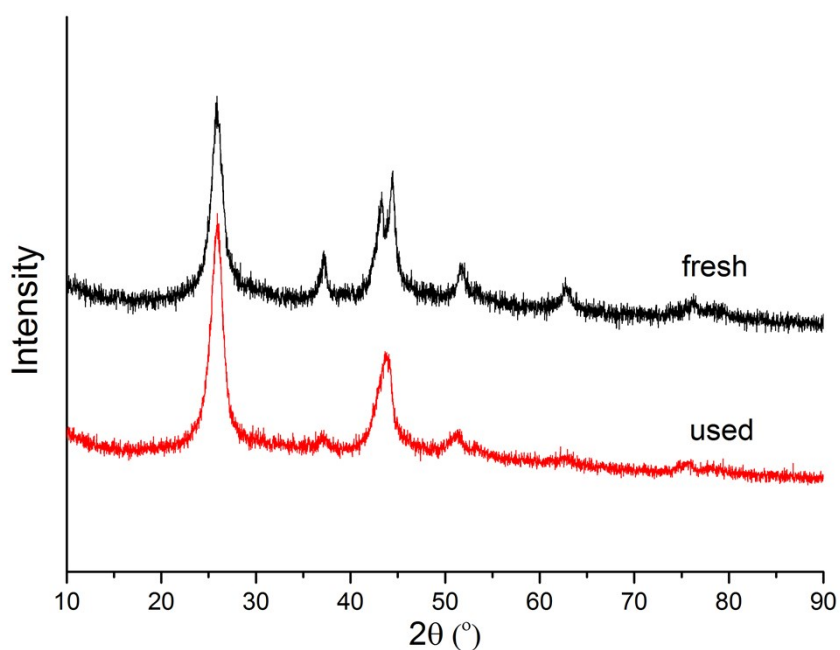


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Catalysts	Metal element compositions		
	Ni	La	Ni/La
Ni <sub>3</sub> La <sub>1</sub> /CNT	14.88	5.06	2.94
Ni <sub>2</sub> La <sub>2</sub> /CNT	9.94	9.79	1.01
Ni <sub>1</sub> La <sub>3</sub> /CNT	5.02	14.91	0.33

Table S2 ICP analysis for Ni<sub>3</sub>La<sub>1</sub>/CNT catalysts before and after five runs

Catalysts	Metal element compositions		
	Ni	La	Ni/La
Ni <sub>3</sub> La <sub>1</sub> /CNT <sup>a</sup>	14.88	5.06	2.94
Ni <sub>3</sub> La <sub>1</sub> /CNT <sup>b</sup>	13.03	4.21	3.09

a-fresh catalyst; b-catalyst reused after five runs.

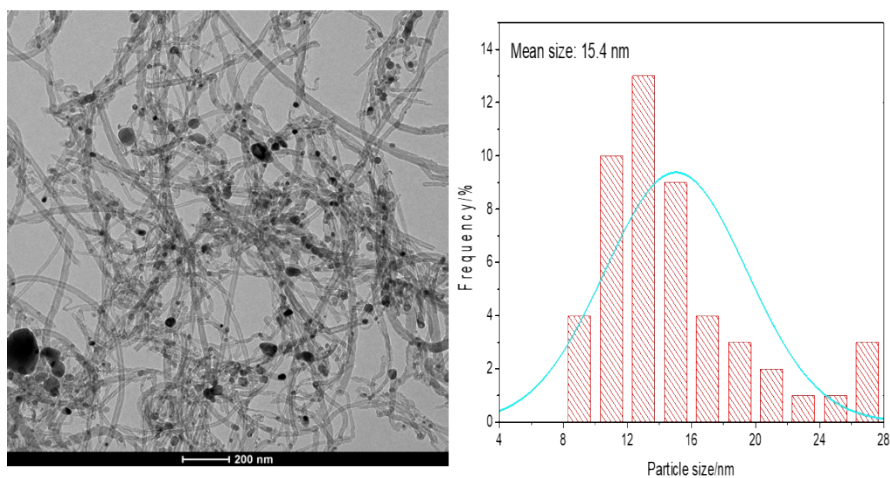


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Catalyst	Quantity (mmol/g)
Ni/CNT	4.84342
Ni3La1/CNT	4.27182
Ni2La2/CNT	3.46187
Ni1La3/CNT	2.33541

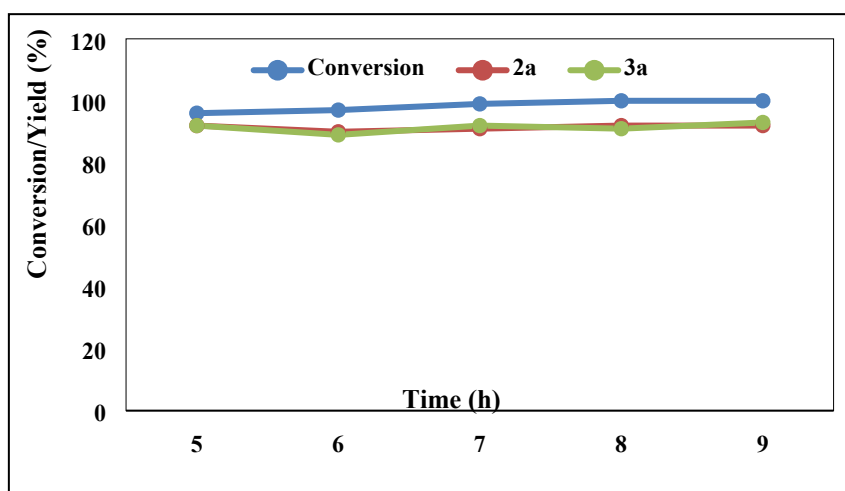
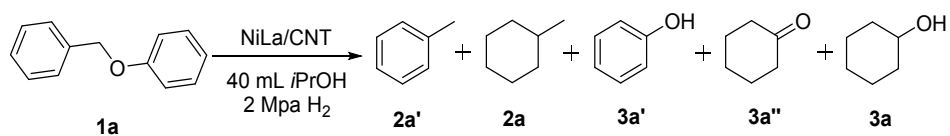


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Entry	Cat.	Conv. (%) <sup>c</sup>	Yield (%)				
			<b>2a'</b>	<b>2a</b>	<b>3a'</b>	<b>3a''</b>	<b>3a</b>
1 <sup>a</sup>	Ni3La1/CNT	18	10	6	12	1	4
2 <sup>b</sup>	Ni3La1/CNT	20	11	7	12	0	6

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (500mg), Cat. (50mg), *i*PrOH (40 mL), 2.0 MPa H<sub>2</sub>, 1 h, 240 °C; <sup>b</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (500mg), Cat. (50mg), *i*PrOH (40 mL), 2.0 MPa H<sub>2</sub>, 4 h, 200 °C.