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## Supplementary Information

## Dehydrative etherification of carbohydrates to 5-ethoxymethylfurfural over SBA-15 supported Sn modified heteropoly silicate catalysts<sup>†</sup>

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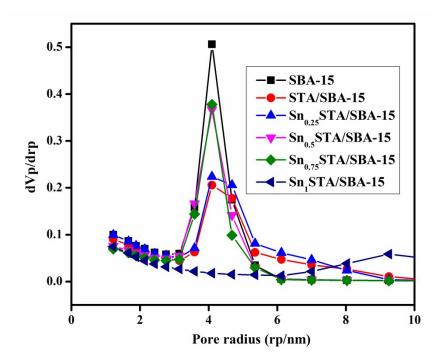
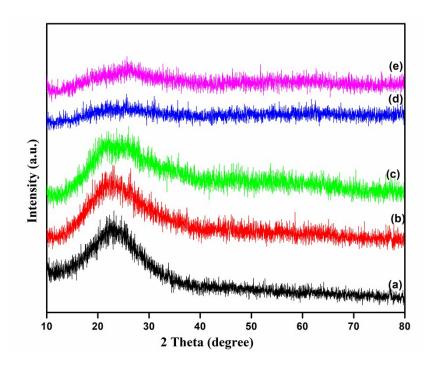


Fig. S1. Pore size distribution curves of the catalysts

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**Fig. S2.** Wide angle XRD patterns of  $Sn_{x/4}H_{4-x}STA$  supported on SBA-15 catalysts. (a) SBA-15, (b)  $20\%Sn_{0.2}5STA$ , (c)  $20\%Sn_{0.5}STA$ , (d)  $20\%Sn_{0.7}5STA$ , (e)  $20\%Sn_{1}STA$ .

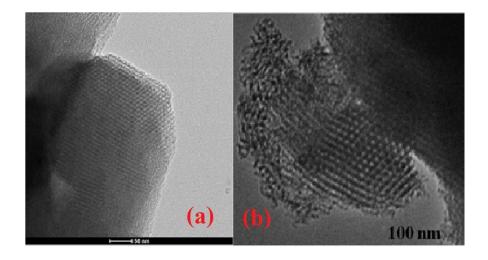
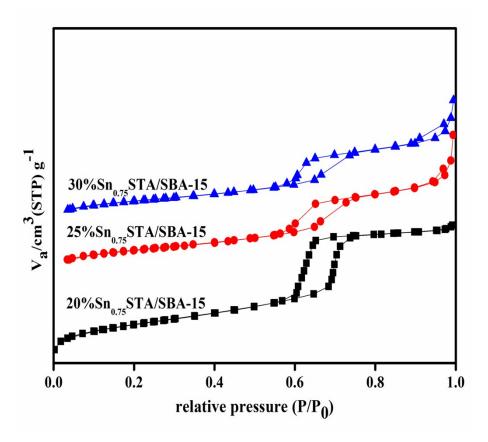


Fig. S3. TEM analysis of (a) SBA-15 and (b)20%  $Sn_{0.75}STA/SBA-15$  catalysts.



**Fig. S4.**  $N_2$  adsorption-desorption isotherms of different loadings of  $20\%Sn_{0.75}STA/SBA-15$  catalysts.

**Table S1.** Textural properties of  $Sn_{0.75}STA/SBA-15$  catalysts with different loadings.

Catalyst	$S_{BET}$	Total pore volume	Mean pore
	$(m^2 g^{-1})$	(cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Diameter (nm)
20% Sn <sub>0.75</sub> STA/SBA-15	450	0.57	8.03
25% Sn <sub>0.75</sub> STA/SBA-15	362	0.53	6.79
30% Sn <sub>0.75</sub> STA/SBA-15	347	0.51	6.45