

# Exploring the Acidity of Functionalized Mesoporous Polymer Catalyst ( $\text{P-SO}_3\text{H}$ ) for Glycerol *tert*-butyl ethers Synthesis

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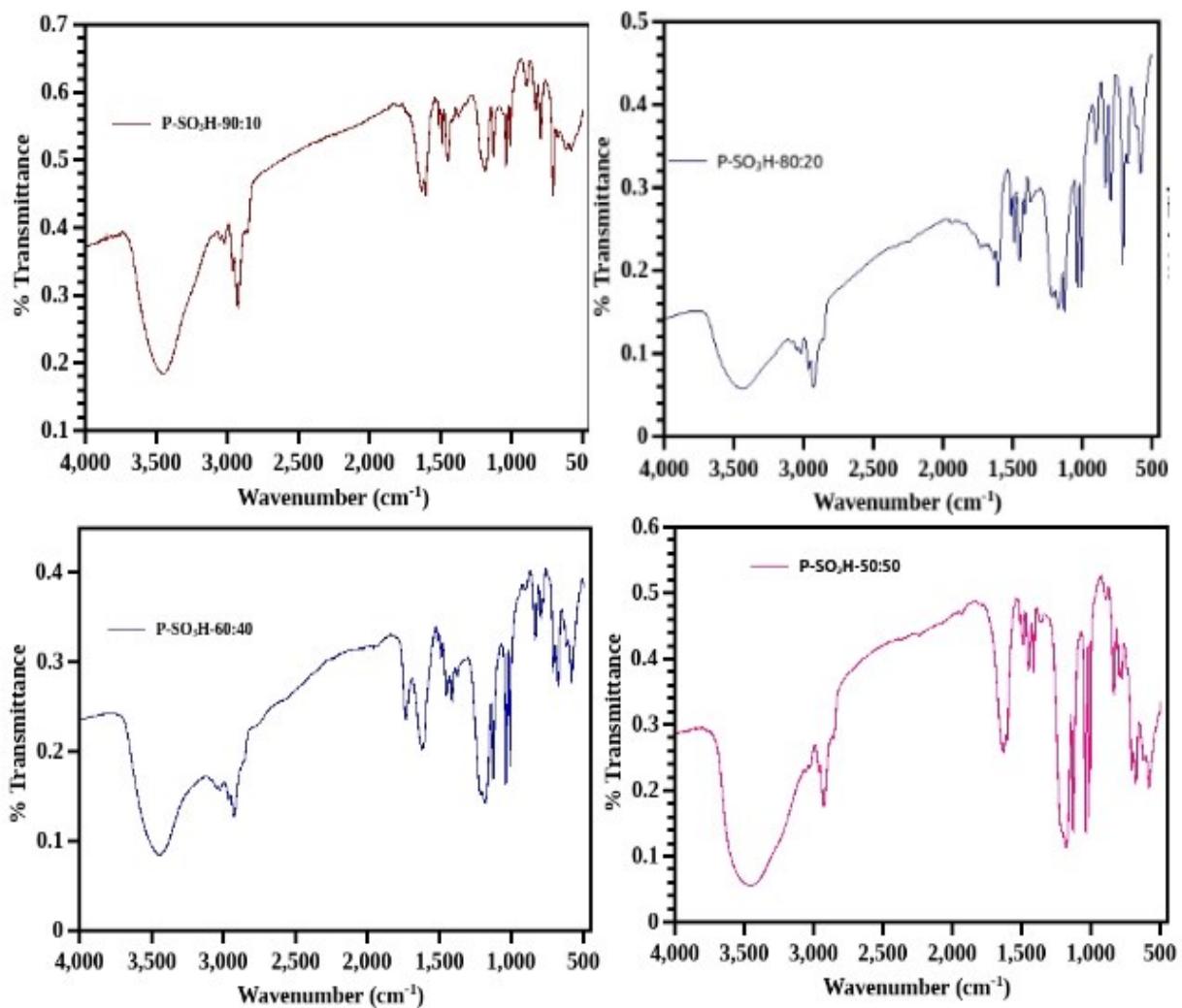
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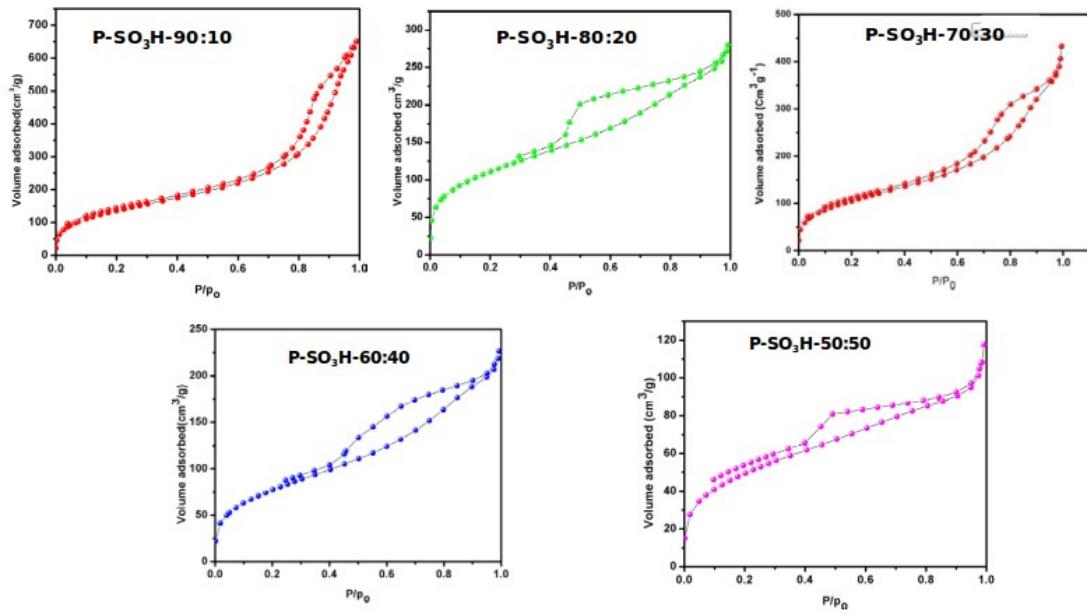
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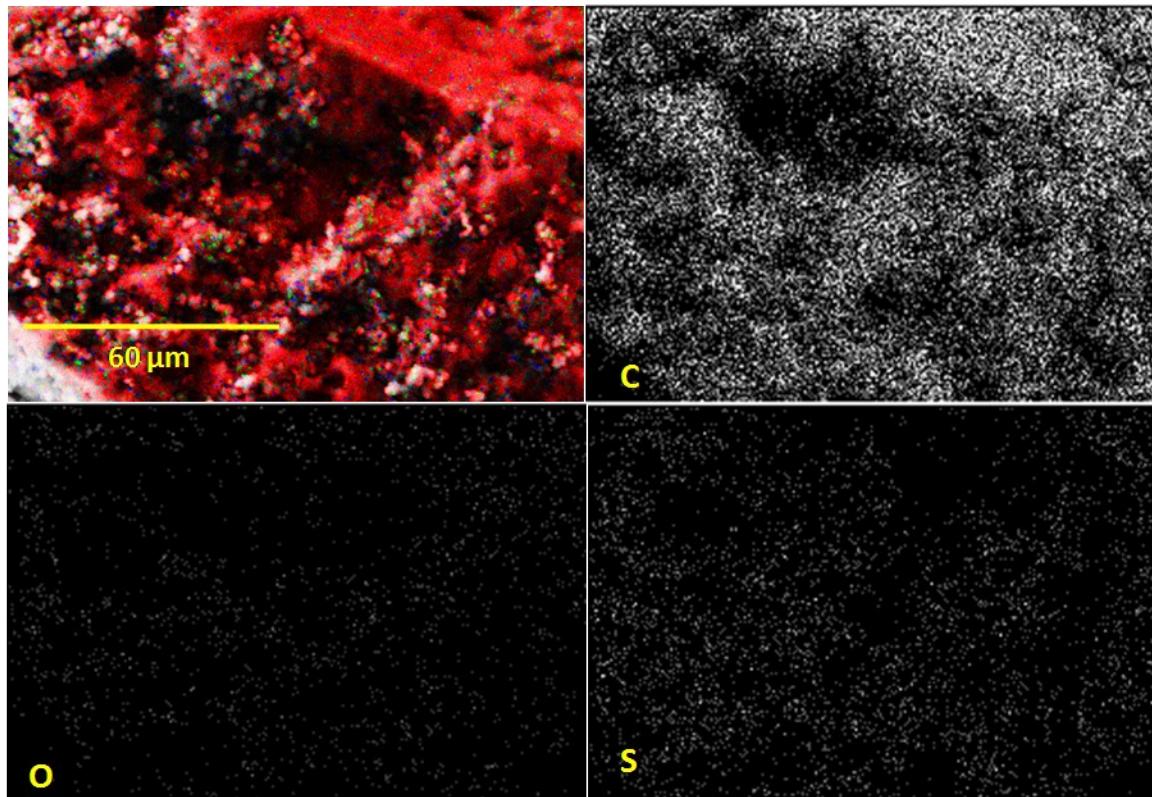
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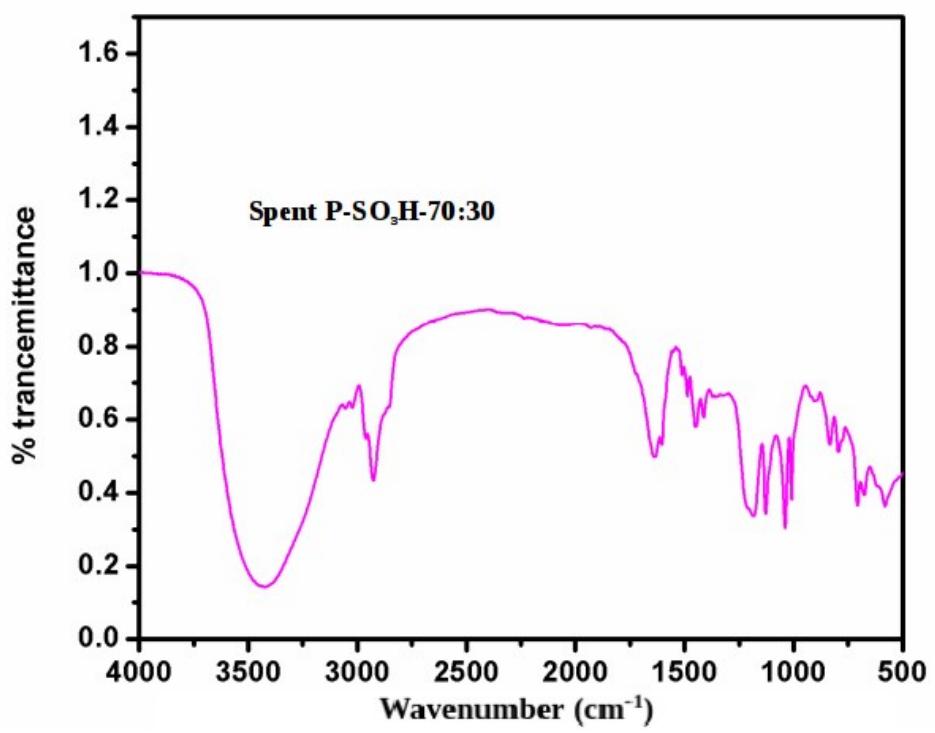


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**Table S1: Comparison of TOF values of P-SO<sub>3</sub>H with the reported materials**

Entry	Catalyst	Temp.	Cat. Conc.	TBA/	Time	TOF	S	Ref.
							h-GTBE	
1	A-15	60	7.5	4.0	8.0	3.0	15.0	1
2	A-15	90	6.0	8.0	48.0	0.7	36.0	2
3	AS100	90	5.0	4.0	5.0	5.7	19.0	3
4	TC-L	120	5.0	4.0	10	2.2	20	4
5	S <sub>50</sub> TS <sub>50</sub> O	75	5.0	4.0	24.0	3.9	28.0	5
6	P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-90:10	95	5.0	4.0	6.0	43.4	18.7	P <sub>w</sub>
7	P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-80:20	95	5.0	4.0	6.0	20.7	24.4	P <sub>w</sub>
8	P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-70:30	95	5.0	4.0	6.0	14.8	33.3	P <sub>w</sub>
9	P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-60:40	95	5.0	4.0	6.0	11.5	27.2	P <sub>w</sub>
10	P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-50:50	95	5.0	4.0	6.0	9.6	25.4	P <sub>w</sub>
<b>11</b>	<b>P-SO<sub>3</sub>H-70:30</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>P<sub>w</sub></b>
12	P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-70:30	95	3.0	6.0	24.0	6.8	43.3	P <sub>w</sub>
13	FHB	75	5.0	4.0	24.0	13.9	37.0	6
14	H-Mordenite	75	5.0	4.0	48.0	7.4	11.0	6
15	MFI	90	7.5	4.0	10	3.4	<1.0	7
16	Mont-KSF/O	120	27.2	20.0	24.0	104.4	37.0	8
17	Sn <sub>2</sub> SiW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	90	0.3	4.0	4.0	62.5	25.0	9 <sup>a</sup>
18	FAU	90	7.5	4.0	10	1.8	-	7
19	H-Beta	90	6.0	8.0	48.0	1.7	32.0	2
20	BCC-S	120	5.0	4.0	5.0	8.8	20.0	10
21	A-15	90	7.5	4.0	7.5	9.6	25.0	11
22	BC 10:1-S2 h	120	5.0	4.0	8.0	5.7	20.0	12

<sup>a</sup> - 0.3 mole% catalyst used

P<sub>w</sub> - Present work

**Table S2: Physico-chemical properties of spent P-SO<sub>3</sub>H**

Catalyst	S <sub>BET</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	Pore size (nm)	Acidity (mmol H <sup>+</sup> /g)
P-SO <sub>3</sub> H-70:30	359	0.51	5.31	1.90

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