## **Supplementary Information**

## Enhancement of *p*-Xylene Selectivity in the Reaction between 2,5-Dimethylfuran and Ethanol over Ammonium Fluoride Modified ZSM-5 Zeolite

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Figure S1 XRD patterns of various samples



Figure S2 TEM images of various catalysts (a) HZSM-5,(b) FZ5-5, (c) FZ5-15



Figure S3  $NH_3$ -TPD profiles of various catalyst (a) and HZSM-5 zeolite by  $NH_4F$  treatment (b)



Scheme S1 Reaction network between 2,5-DMF and ethanol



Figure S4 Optimized structure of reactants and products adsorbed in the pores of ZSM-5.C,O,Si, Al and H atoms are depicted as brown, red,blue,purple and green.

Table S1 Adsorption energies of several molecules on the acidic site of ZSM-5 zeolite

Adsorption energy	kJ/mol
МСО	111.873
ethanol	88.9124
H <sub>2</sub> O	83.942
2,5-HDO	79.9205
cycloaddition	0.94843
DMF	-2.7



Figure S5 Catalytic performance for DMF reaction with ethanol over HBeta zeolite with different molar ratios DMF/ethanol.Reaction conditions: 3.75M reactant (DMF+ethanol) in heptane; temperature 300 °C; reaction time 12 h; 0.4 g catalyst.



Figure S6 Catalytic performance for DMF reaction with ethanol over HBeta zeolite under various solvents.Reaction conditions: 3.75M reactant (DMF+ethanol) in solvent; temperature 300 °C; reaction time 12 h; 0.4 g catalyst.