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**Fabrication of a hollow sphere N, S co-doped bifunctional carbon catalyst for sustainable fixation of CO<sub>2</sub> to cyclic carbonates**

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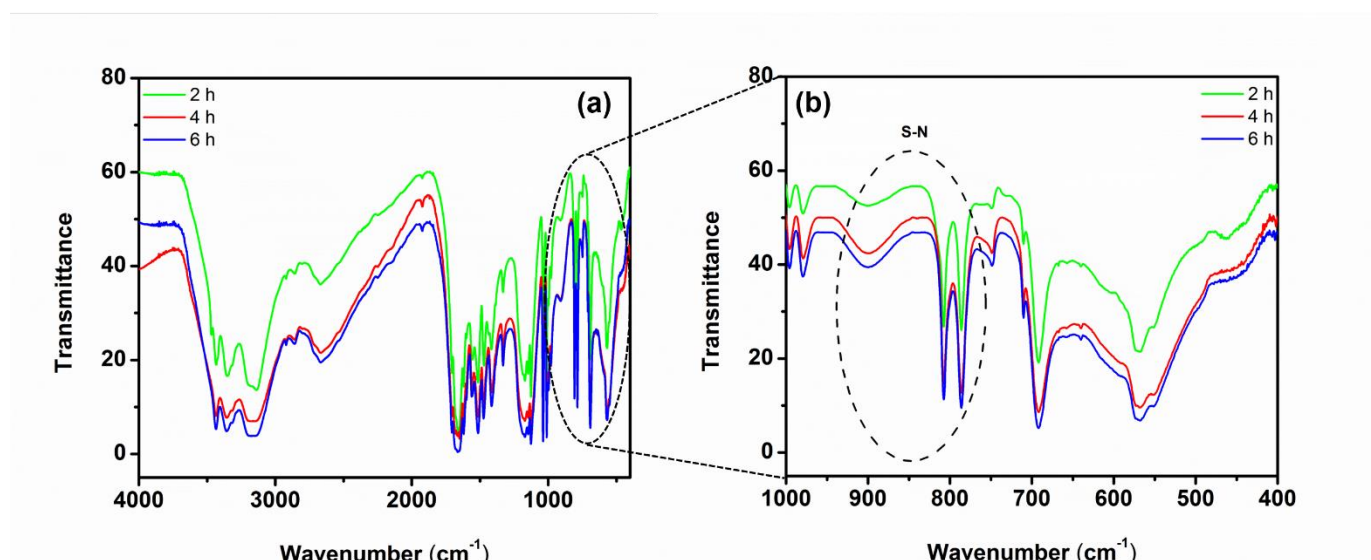
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## Section S1: General reaction procedure

### Procedure for the scaled-up of CO<sub>2</sub>-epichlorohydrin cycloaddition reaction:

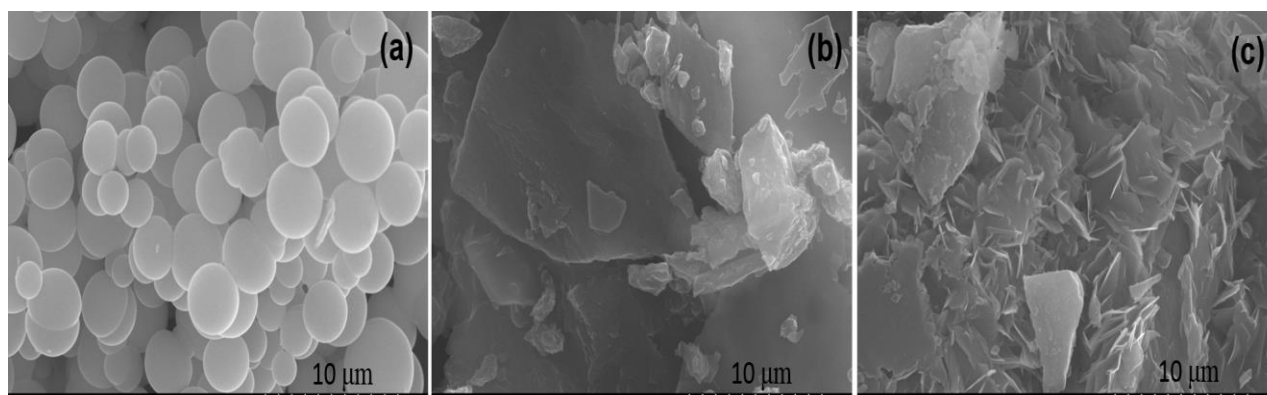
The optimized CO<sub>2</sub>-epichlorohydrin cycloaddition reaction was undertaken treating 110 mmol of epichlorohydrin, 0.913 mmol of TBAI, and 110 mg NSC-773 catalyst in a 50 mL round-bottom flask. Stirring the reaction mixture under CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere for 24 h at 343 K followed by addition of 11 mL methanol and removal of the catalyst by centrifugal separation. Finally, the reaction mixture was analyzed by gas chromatography (Agilent 7890B), showed ~93 % epichlorohydrin conversion, and 97 % cyclic carbonate (4-chloromethyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one) selectivity with an isolated yield ~86 %.

## Section S2: FTIR analysis



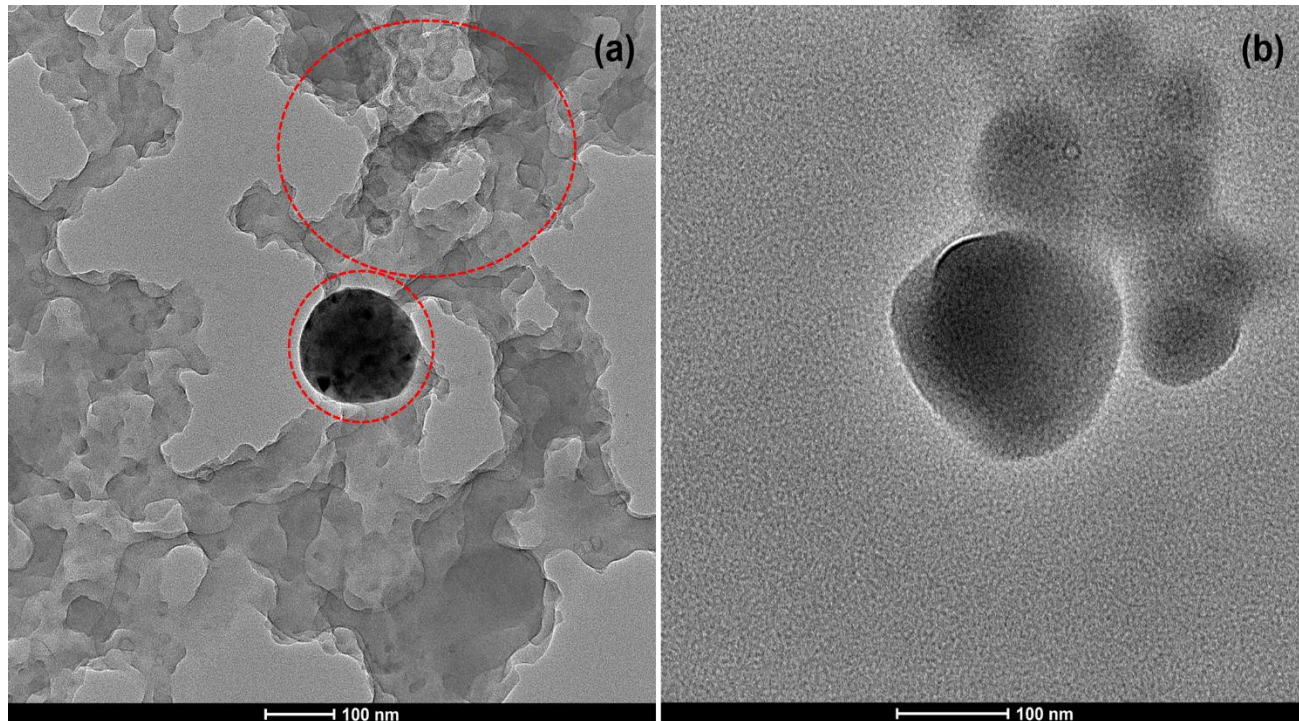
**Fig. S1** FTIR spectra of NSC-773 before carbonization at different time interval (a) and enlarge view of the marked region (b).

### Section S3: SEM analysis



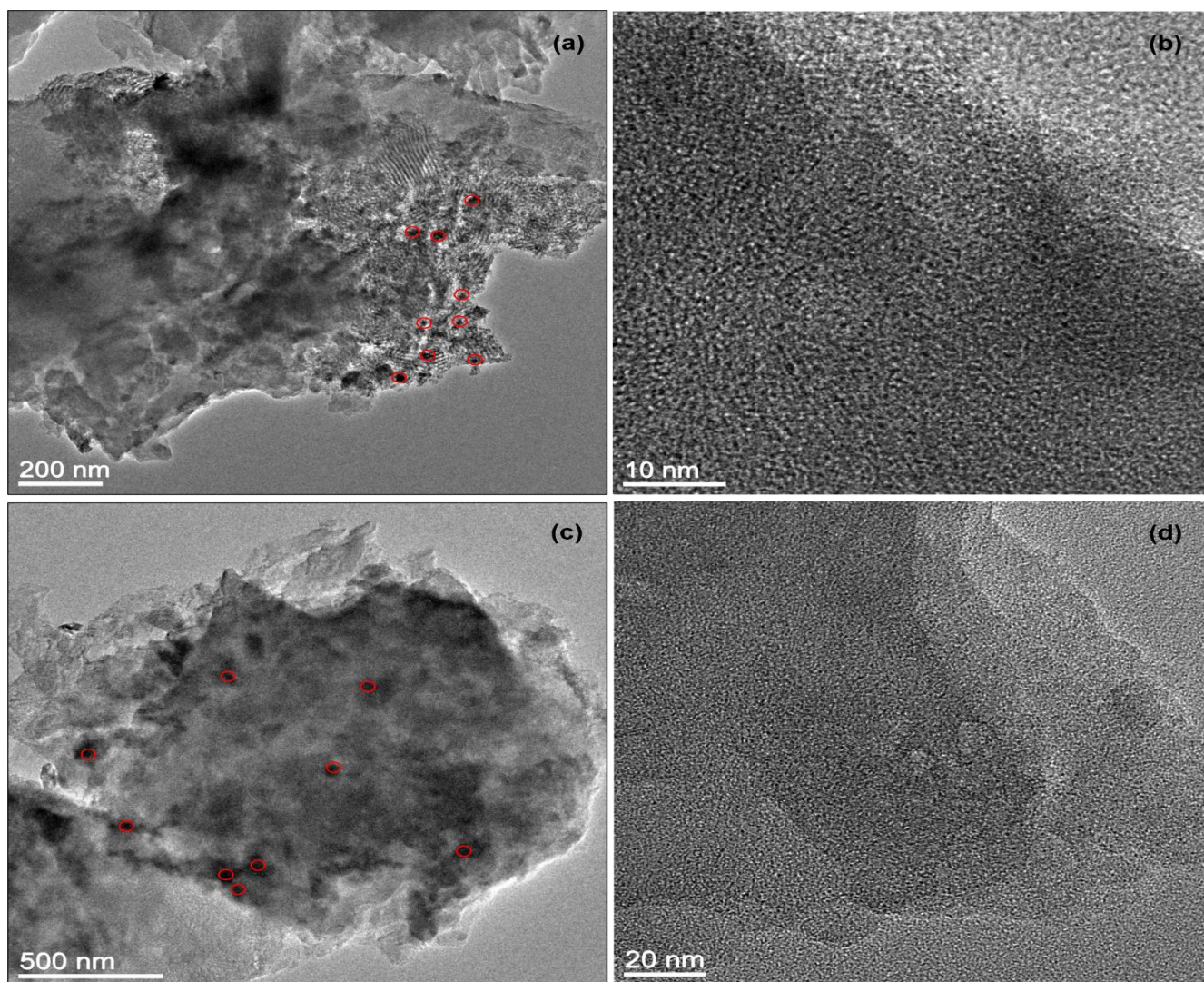
**Fig. S2** SEM images of NSC-773 (a); NSC-873(b) and NSC-973 (c) catalysts.

### Section S4: HRTEM analysis



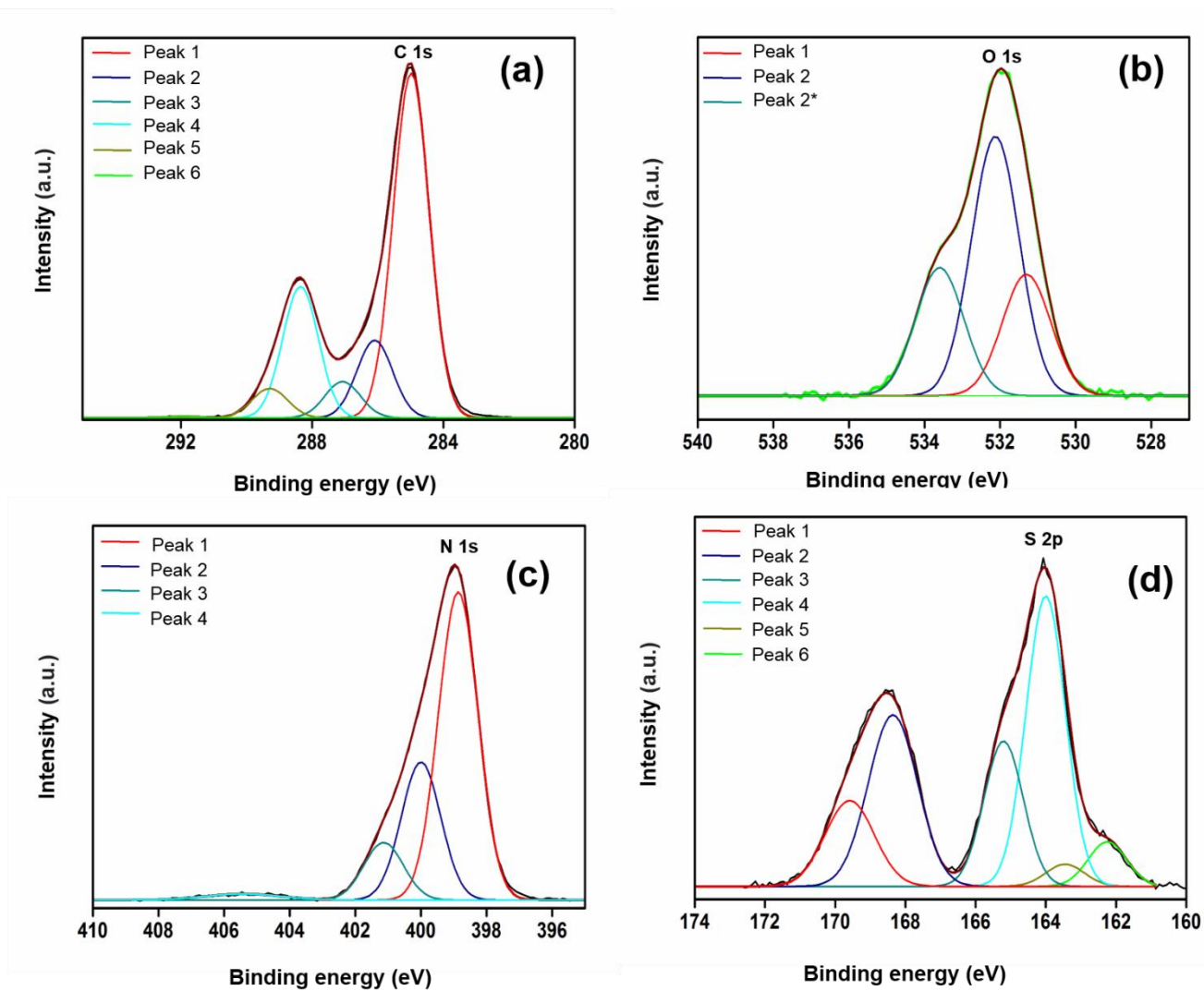
**Fig. S3** Low magnification HRTEM images (a-b) of NSC-773 catalyst.



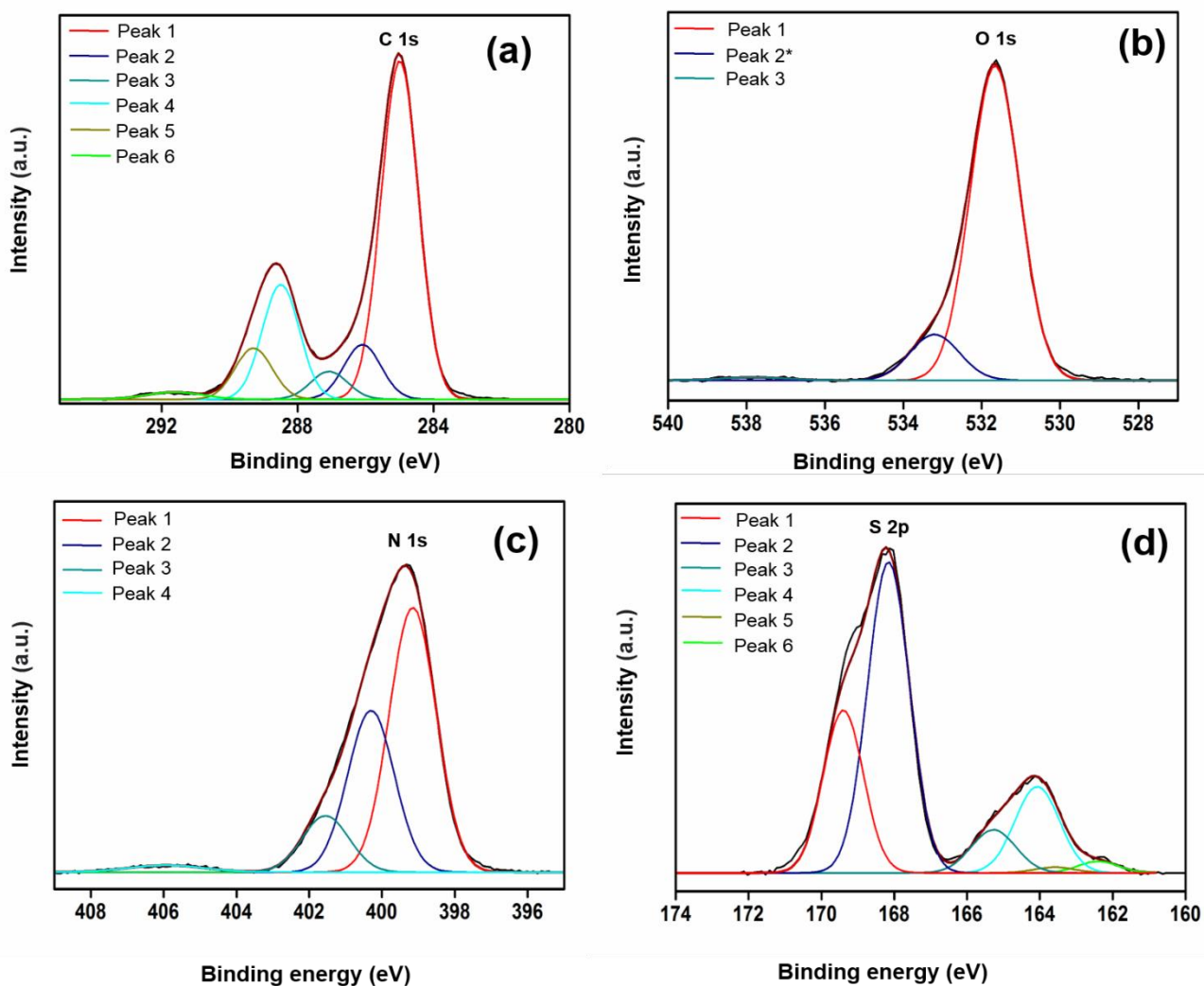


**Fig. S4** HRTEM images of NSC-873 (a and b) and NSC-973 (c and d).

## Section S5: XPS analysis



**Fig. S5** XPS high resolution core-level spectra of C 1s (a); O 1s (b); N 1s (c); and S 2p (d) for NSC-873 catalyst.



**Fig. S6** XPS high resolution core-level spectra of C 1s (a); O 1s (b); N 1s (c); and S 2p (d) for NSC-973 catalyst.

**Table S1** Binding energies ( $E_b$ ), Gaussian widths ( $W$ ), peak areas ( $P_a$ ), and relative intensities ( $I_{rel}$ ) for the C 1s spectra.

Catalyst		Peak 1	Peak 2	Peak 3	Peak 4	Peak 5	Peak 6
NSC-773	$E_b$ , eV	285.0	286.09	287.07	288.56	289.30	291.71
	$W$ , eV	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.70
	$P_a$	23093	3072	1377	5466	3228	832
	$I_{rel}$	0.62	0.08	0.04	0.15	0.09	0.02

NSC-873	E <sub>b</sub> , eV	285.0	286.11	287.09	288.36	289.30	291.92
	W, eV	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.70
	P <sub>a</sub>	26039	5857	2733	9917	2219	106
	I <sub>rel</sub>	0.56	0.12	0.06	0.21	0.05	0.002
NSC-973	E <sub>b</sub> , eV	285.0	286.10	287.08	288.50	289.30	291.62
	W, eV	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.70
	P <sub>a</sub>	21719	3505	1778	7353	3278	700
	I <sub>rel</sub>	0.57	0.09	0.05	0.19	0.09	0.02

**Table S2** Binding energies (E<sub>b</sub>), Gaussian widths (W), peak areas (P<sub>a</sub>), and relative intensities (I<sub>rel</sub>) for the O 1s spectra.

Catalyst		Peak 1	Peak 2	Peak 2*	Peak 3
NSC-773	E <sub>b</sub> , eV	531.71	-	533.32	537.85
	W, eV	1.28	-	1.28	1.63
	P <sub>a</sub>	26436	-	3646	412
	I <sub>rel</sub>	0.87	-	0.12	0.01
NSC-873	E <sub>b</sub> , eV	531.30	532.12	533.6	-
	W, eV	1.28	1.26	1.28	-
	P <sub>a</sub>	9779	20618	10325	-
	I <sub>rel</sub>	0.24	0.51	0.25	-
NSC-973	E <sub>b</sub> , eV	531.66	-	533.20	537.81
	W, eV	1.26	-	1.26	1.65
	P <sub>a</sub>	21664	-	3154	271
	I <sub>rel</sub>	0.86	-	0.13	0.01



**Table S3** Binding energies ( $E_b$ ), Gaussian widths ( $W$ ), peak areas ( $P_a$ ), and relative intensities ( $I_{rel}$ ) for the N 1s spectra.

<b>Catalyst</b>		<b>Peak 1</b>	<b>Peak 2</b>	<b>Peak 3</b>	<b>Peak 4</b>
NSC-773	$E_b$ , eV	399.28	400.42	401.67	406.00
	$W$ , eV	1.32	1.30	1.30	1.81
	$P_a$	17606	10092	4110	571
	$I_{rel}$	0.54	0.31	0.13	0.02
NSC-873	$E_b$ , eV	398.86	400.00	401.13	405.41
	$W$ , eV	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.3
	$P_a$	22986	10250	4269	880
	$I_{rel}$	0.60	0.27	0.11	0.02
NSC-973	$E_b$ , eV	399.16	400.30	401.55	405.94
	$W$ , eV	1.28	1.28	1.28	2.10
	$P_a$	20049	12240	4266	845
	$I_{rel}$	0.54	0.33	0.11	0.02

**Table S4** Binding energies ( $E_b$ ), Gaussian widths ( $W$ ), peak areas ( $P_a$ ), and relative intensities ( $I_{rel}$ ) for the S 2p spectra fitted with three spin-orbit doublets.

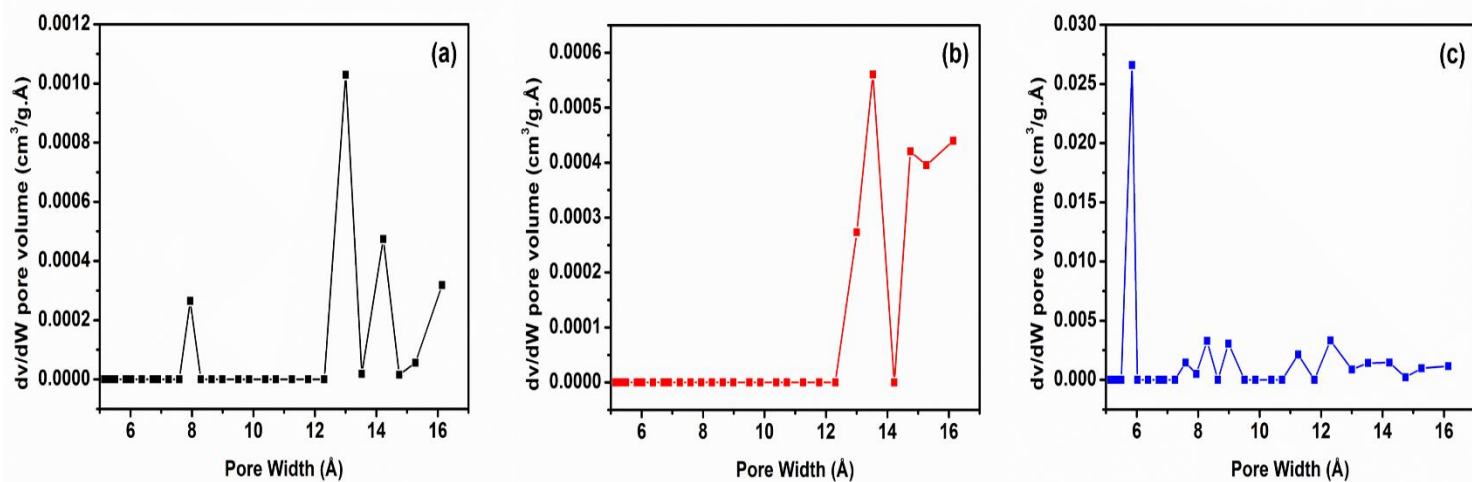
<b>Catalyst</b>		<b>Peak 6</b>	<b>Peak 5</b>	<b>Peak 4</b>	<b>Peak 3</b>	<b>Peak 2</b>	<b>Peak 1</b>
NSC-773	$E_b$ , eV	161.9	163.1	164.04	165.29	168.19	169.43
	$W$ , eV	1.1	1.1	1.22	1.22	1.14	1.1
	$P_a$	90	45	780	390	4150	2200
	$I_{rel}$	0.012	0.006	0.102	0.051	0.542	0.287
NSC-873	$E_b$ , eV	162.25	163.45	164.00	165.20	168.36	169.59
	$W$ , eV	1.1	1.1	1.12	1.12	1.40	1.40
	$P_a$	240	120	1600	800	1180	590

	$I_{rel}$	0.053	0.026	0.353	0.177	0.261	0.130
NSC-973	$E_b$ , eV	162.43	162.63	164.03	165.23	168.13	169.43
	$W$ , eV	1.1	1.1	1.22	1.22	1.14	1.1
	$P_a$	1200	60	1000	500	3400	1700
	$I_{rel}$	0.143	0.007	0.119	0.060	0.405	0.202

**Table S5** Relative atomic concentration (%) from the high-resolution core-level spectra.

Catalyst	N 1s (at. %)	O 1s (at. %)	S 2p (at. %)
NSC-773	26.3	15.2	4.4
NSC-873	26.7	8.3	2.7
NSC-973	29.5	12.4	3.9

### Section S6: Micropore size distribution



**Fig. S7** NLDFT pore size distributions of NSC-773(a); NSC-873 (b) and NSC-973 (c) catalysts obtained from  $\text{CO}_2$  adsorption.

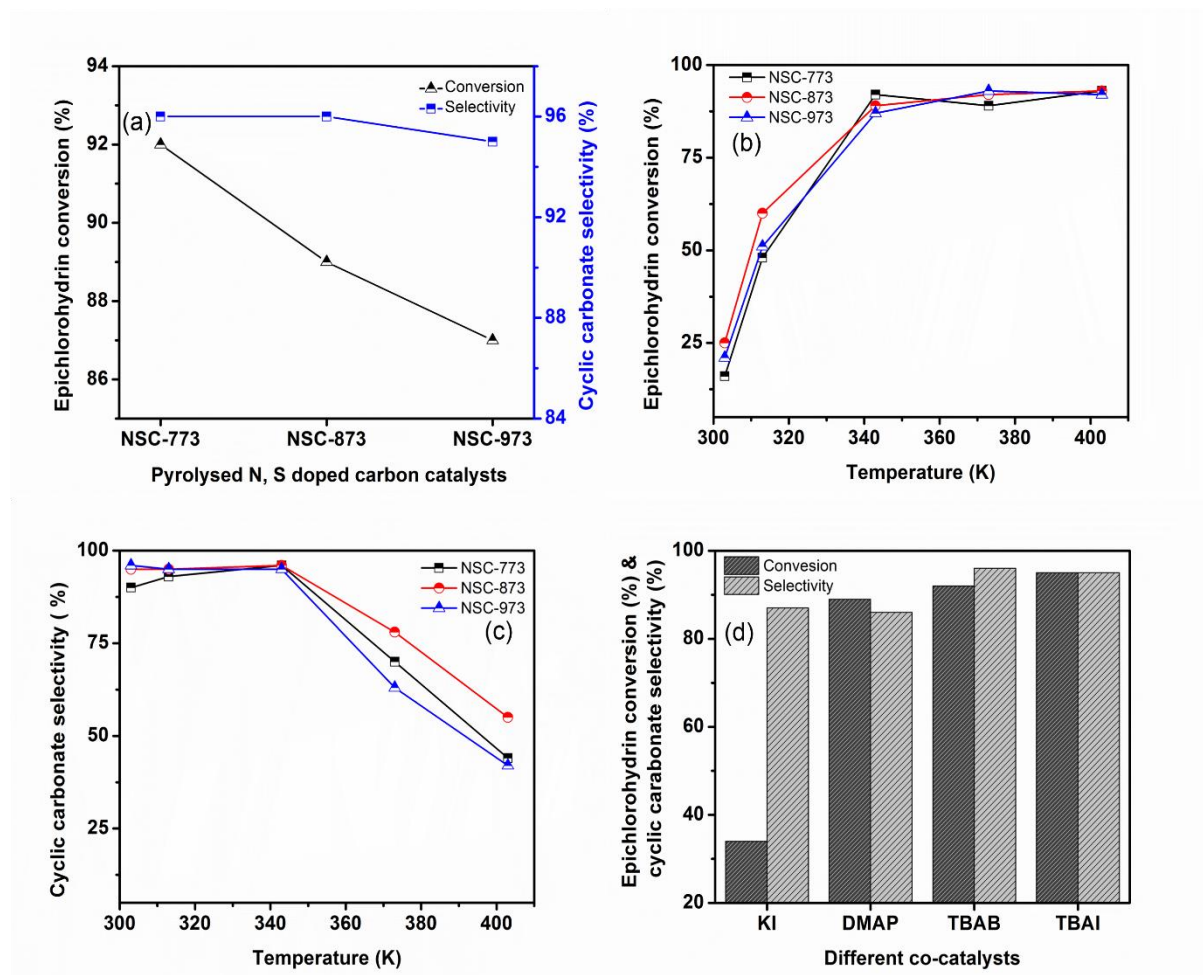
## Section S7: Elemental analysis

**Table S6** Elemental composition (mass %) of the catalysts

Catalyst	C (%) <sup>a</sup>	N (%) <sup>a</sup>	S (%) <sup>a</sup>	H (%) <sup>a</sup>
NSC-773	50.8	33.3	5.7	2.2
NSC-873	52.2	29.5	5.8	2.1
NSC-973	52.5	25.9	7.3	2.0
Raw material	37.8	26.7	9.3	5.1

<sup>a</sup> The contents of C, N, S are determined by CHNS.

## Section S8: Catalytic activity study



**Fig. S8** Cycloaddition reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with epichlorohydrin over different N, S doped carbon catalyst (a), reaction conditions: epichlorohydrin: 10 mmol, co-catalyst: TBAB (0.083 mmol),

CO<sub>2</sub> gas bladder, catalyst amount: 50 mg, reaction temperature: 343 K, TOS: 24 h; Effect of reaction temperature on epichlorohydrin conversion (b); and cyclic carbonate selectivity (c); reaction conditions: epichlorohydrin: 10 mmol, co-catalyst: TBAB (0.083 mmol), CO<sub>2</sub> gas bladder, catalyst: NSC-773 (50 mg), TOS: 24 h; Effect of different co-catalysts (d), reaction conditions: epichlorohydrin: 10 mmol, co-catalyst: 0.083 mmol, CO<sub>2</sub> gas bladder, catalyst: NSC-773 (50 mg), reaction temperature: 343 K, TOS: 24 h. (The solid lines shall guide the eye).

**Table S7** Literature reports for the utilization of co-catalyst for CO<sub>2</sub>-epoxide cycloaddition reaction.

Sr. No	Catalyst	Co-catalyst	Temperature (K)	Pressure (bar)	Conversion of epoxide (%)	Selectivity of corresponding carbonate (%)	Ref.
1	-	TBAI	353	20	9	50	47
	CuCo <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	TBAI	353	20	94	94	
2	-	TBAB	RT	1 atm	1	-	49
	ZnMOF-2	TBAB	313	10	99	99	
3	-	TBAI	353	10	31	99	54
	ZrO <sub>2</sub> -MCM-41	TBAI	353	10	97	99	
4	-	TBAI	343	1 atm	~1	69	Our work
	NSC-773	TBAI	343	1 atm	95	98	

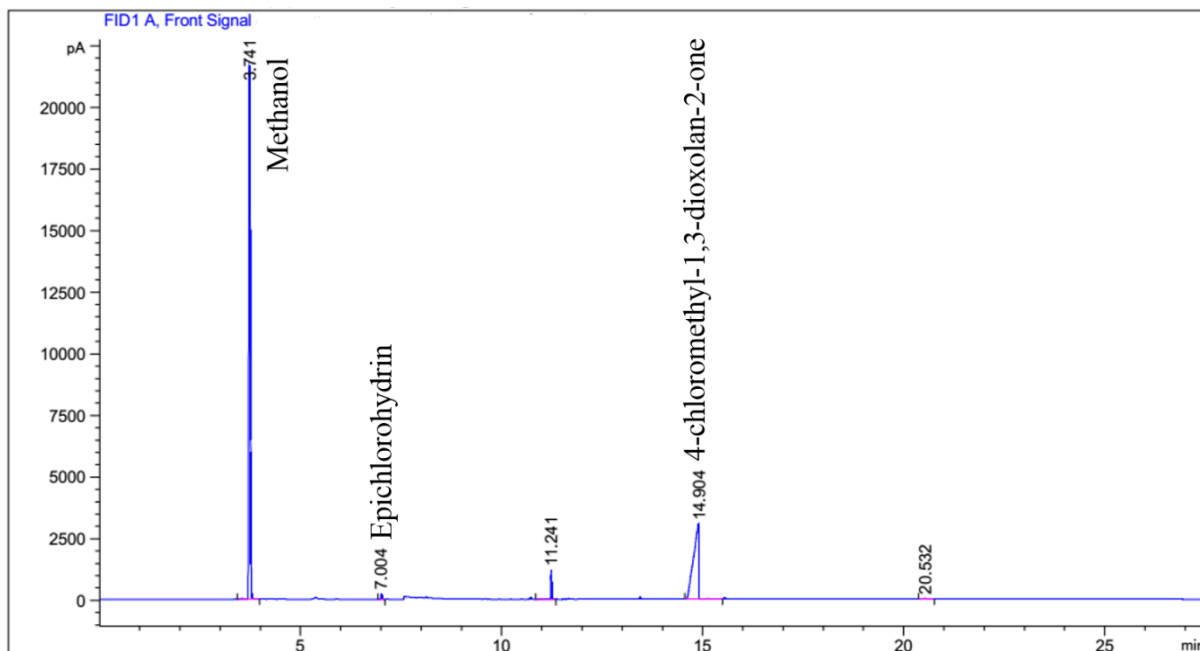
**Table S8** Comparison of CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition reaction with previously reported carbon-based catalysts

Entry	Catalyst	Epichlorohydrin (mmol)	Catalyst amount (mg)	Co-catalyst (mmol)	Solvent	Temperature (K)	Pressure (MPa)	TOS (h)	Conversion (%)	Selectivity (%)	Yield (%)	Ref
1	ZnBr <sub>2</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	102	200	-	DMF	413	2	6	88	94	92	1
2	BiCl <sub>3</sub> @Bi@g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	63	10	-	DMF	423	2	4	100	>99	>99	2
3	ZIF-8/C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	4.5	46	-	-	353	1.0	24	100	100	100	3
4	u-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	255	120	-	-	393	2.0	5	98.3	98	96.3	4
5	MWCNTs- ammonium salt	214	770	-	-	383	2	6	86	94	81	5
6	ZnTPy- BIM4/CNT	6.63	-	-	-	393	1.5		98	-	-	6
7	GO-DMEDA-I	28.6	100	-	-	393	2	3	95.8	94.5	98.6	7

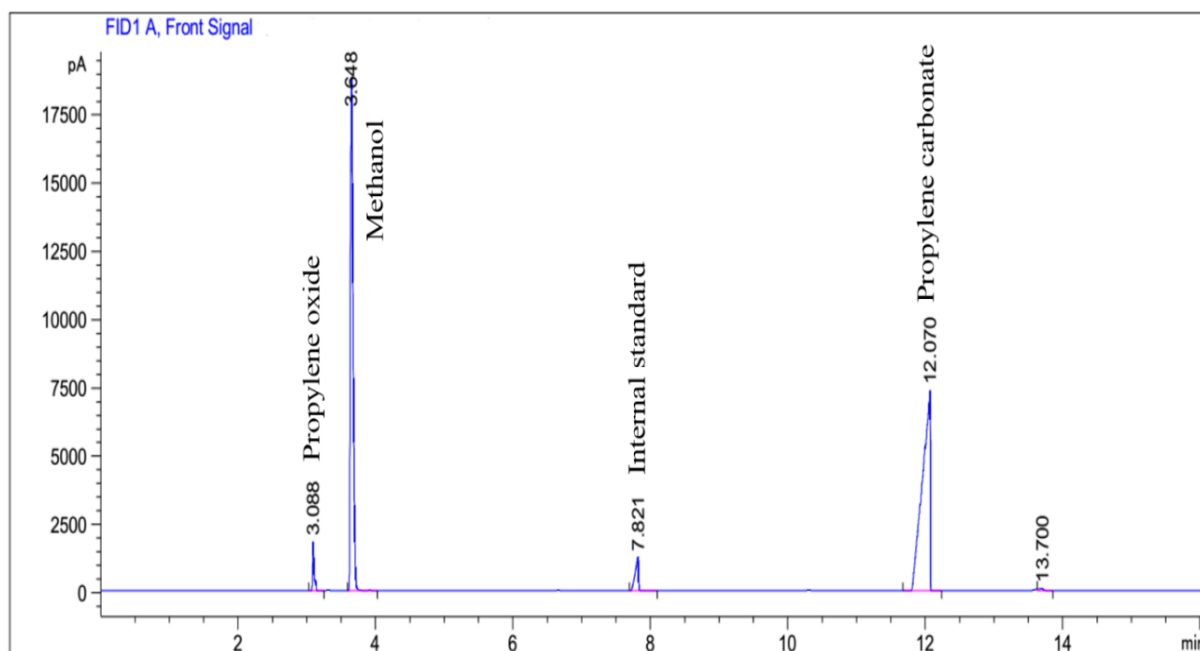


8	GO-H-Me	28.6	120	-	-	363	2	4	93.8	99.2	93	8
9	u-g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	21.5	100	-	-	403	2	24	99.6	96.4	96	9
10	GO-[SmIm]Br	191	600	-	-	413	2	4	94.7	99.5	94.2	10
11	CoPc/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	40	200	-	-	403	3	24	-	-	97.6	11
12	C <sub>60</sub> -fullerenol	100	100	KI (1)	-	393	2.0	8	-	-	99	12
13	AP-GO	10	30	TBAI (0.1)	-	373	0.1	27	-	-	75	13
14	NSC-773	10	10	TBAI (0.083)	-	343	0.1	24	95	98	93	Our cat aly st

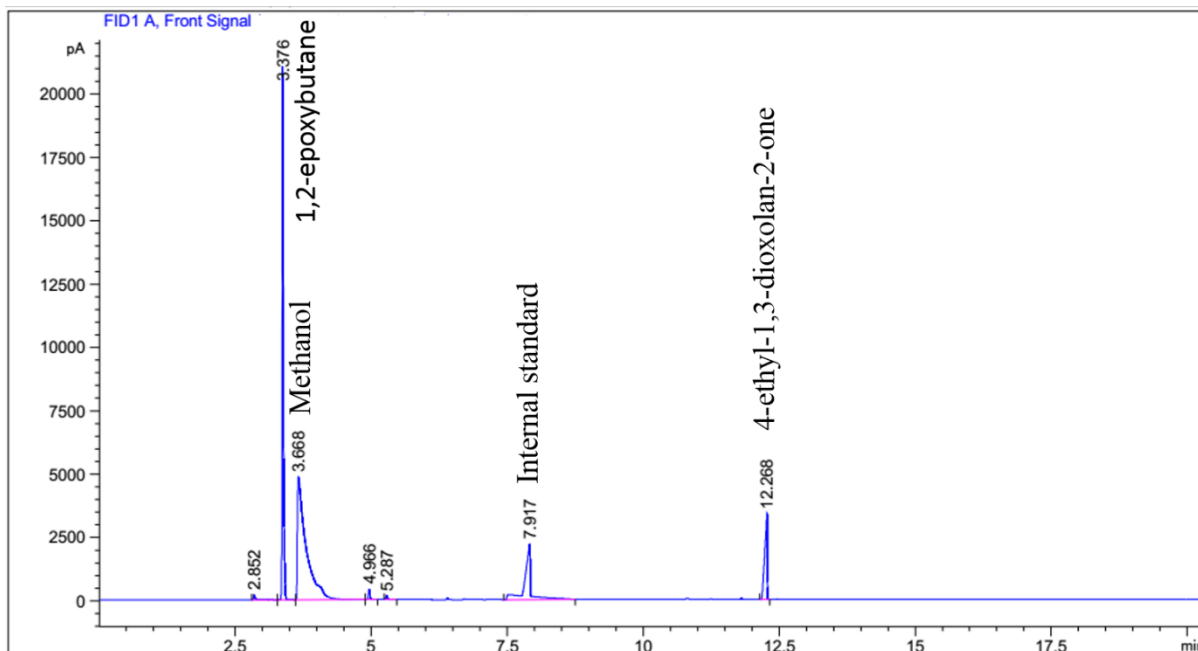
### Section S9: GC chromatogram of different reaction mixtures



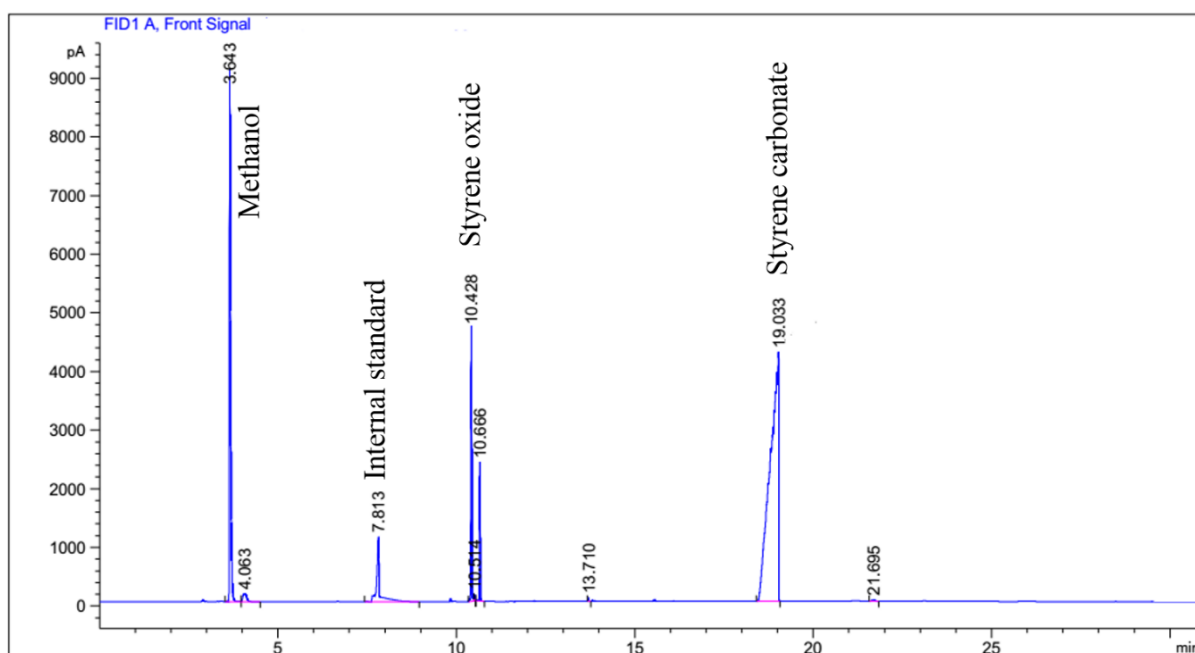
**Fig. S9** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-epichlorohydrin reaction mixture. Injection amount : 1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 13.5 min. FID temperature 280 °C, Split ratio: 50:1.



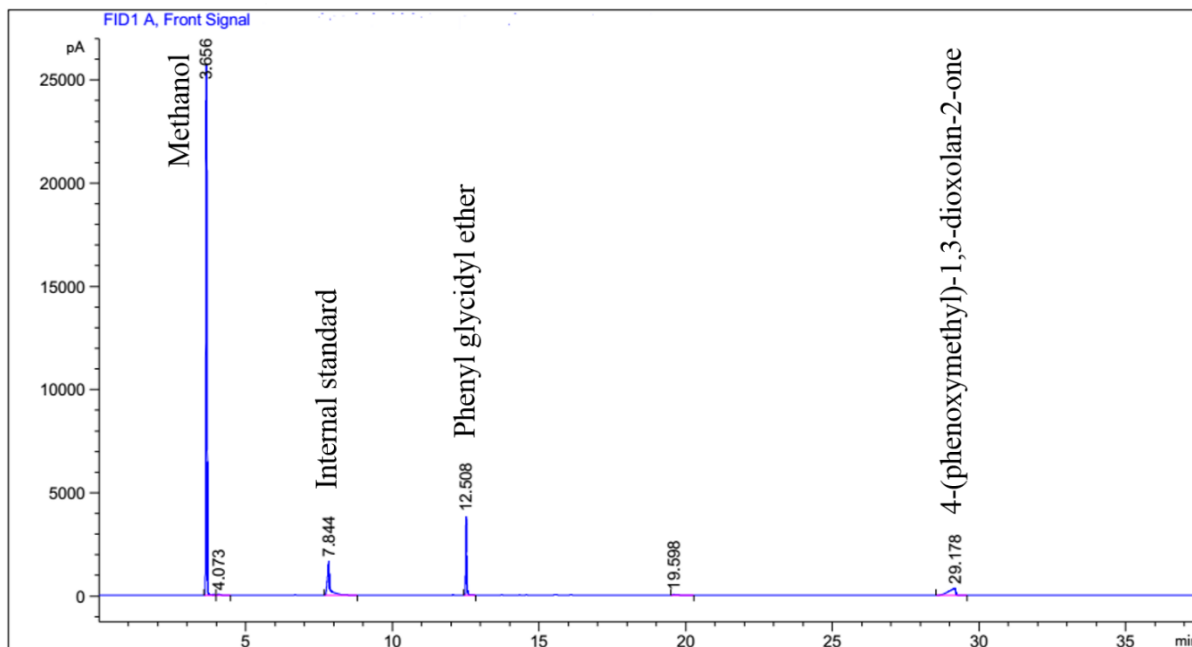
**Fig. S10** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-propylene oxide reaction mixture. Injection amount :1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 3.5 min, FID temperature 280 °C, Split ratio: 50:1.



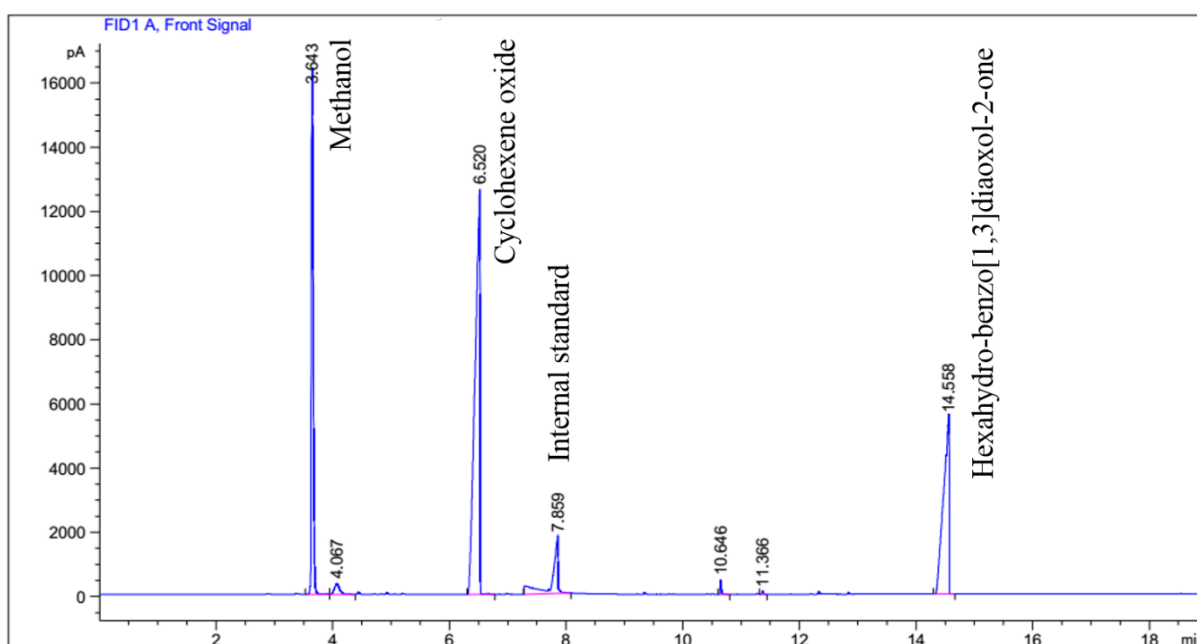
**Fig. S11** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-1, 2-epoxybutane reaction mixture. Injection amount :1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 5.5 min, FID temperature 250 °C, Split ratio: 50:1.



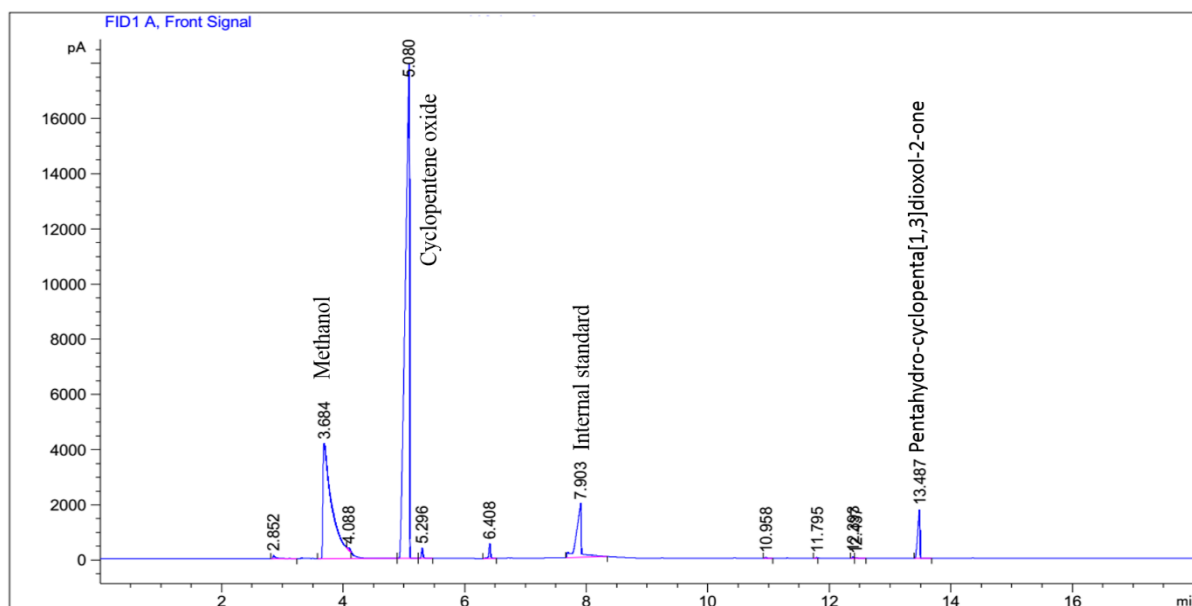
**Fig. S12** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-styrene oxide reaction mixture. Injection amount :1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 17.5 min, FID temperature 280 °C, Split ratio: 80:1.



**Fig. S13** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-phenyl glycidyl ether reaction mixture. Injection amount :1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 25 min, FID temperature 280 °C, Split ratio: 50:1.



**Fig. S14** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-cyclohexene oxide reaction mixture. Injection amount :1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 6 min, FID temperature 250 °C, Split ratio: 50:1.



**Fig. S15** GC chromatogram of CO<sub>2</sub>-cyclopentene oxide reaction mixture. Injection amount :1 μL. GC program: Set point (Initial): 60 °C, Hold time (Initial): 4 min, Ramp: 20 °C/min, Set point (Final): 230 °C, Hold time (Final): 5.5 min, FID temperature 250 °C, Split ratio: 50:1.

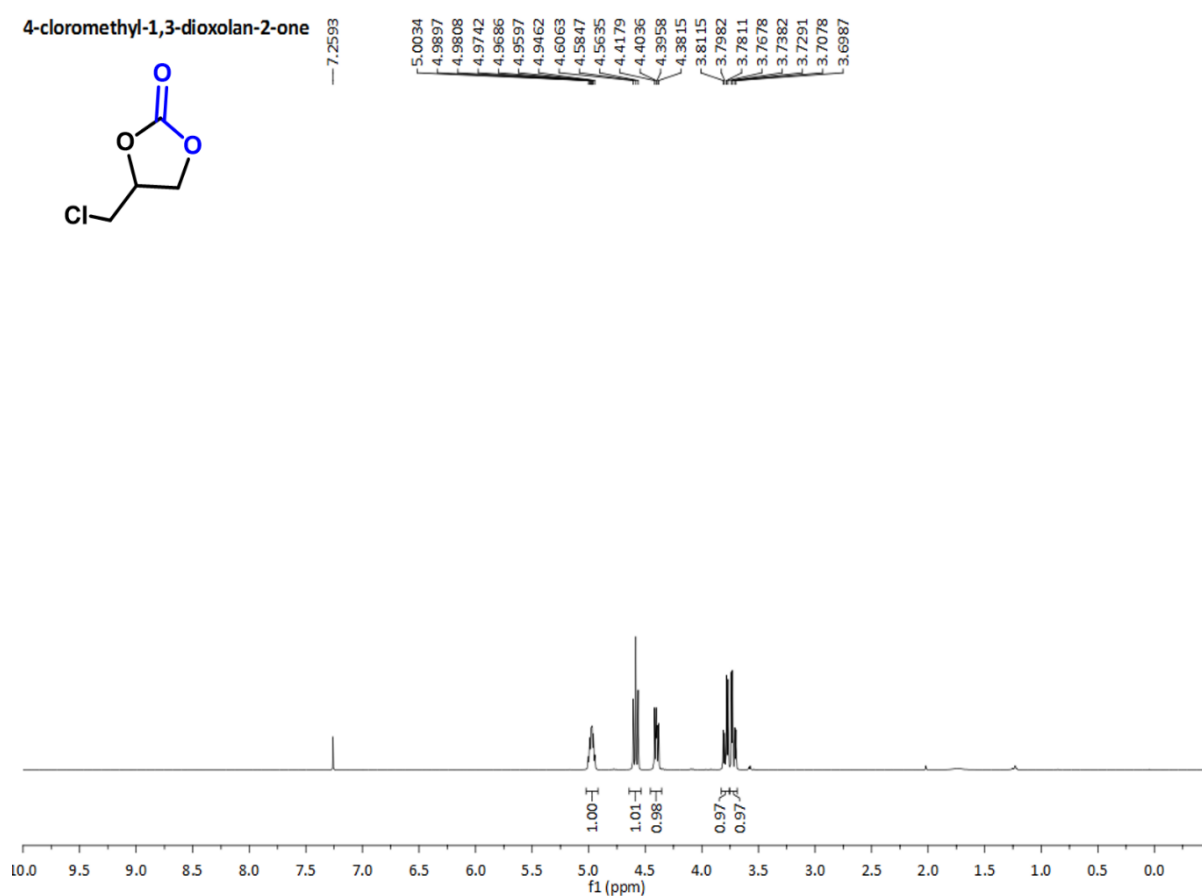


## Section S10: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the synthesized carbonate

### 4-chloromethyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one:

Appearance: pale yellow liquid, Isolated yield: 88 %

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 5.00-4.95 (m, 1H), 4.58 (t, *J*=8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (q, *J*=5.7, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (dd, *J*=5.3, 12.2 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (dd, *J*=3.6, 12.6 Hz, 1H). FTIR (ν<sub>max</sub>/ cm<sup>-1</sup>) 1809 (C=O), 1074 (C-O), 2954 (C-H).

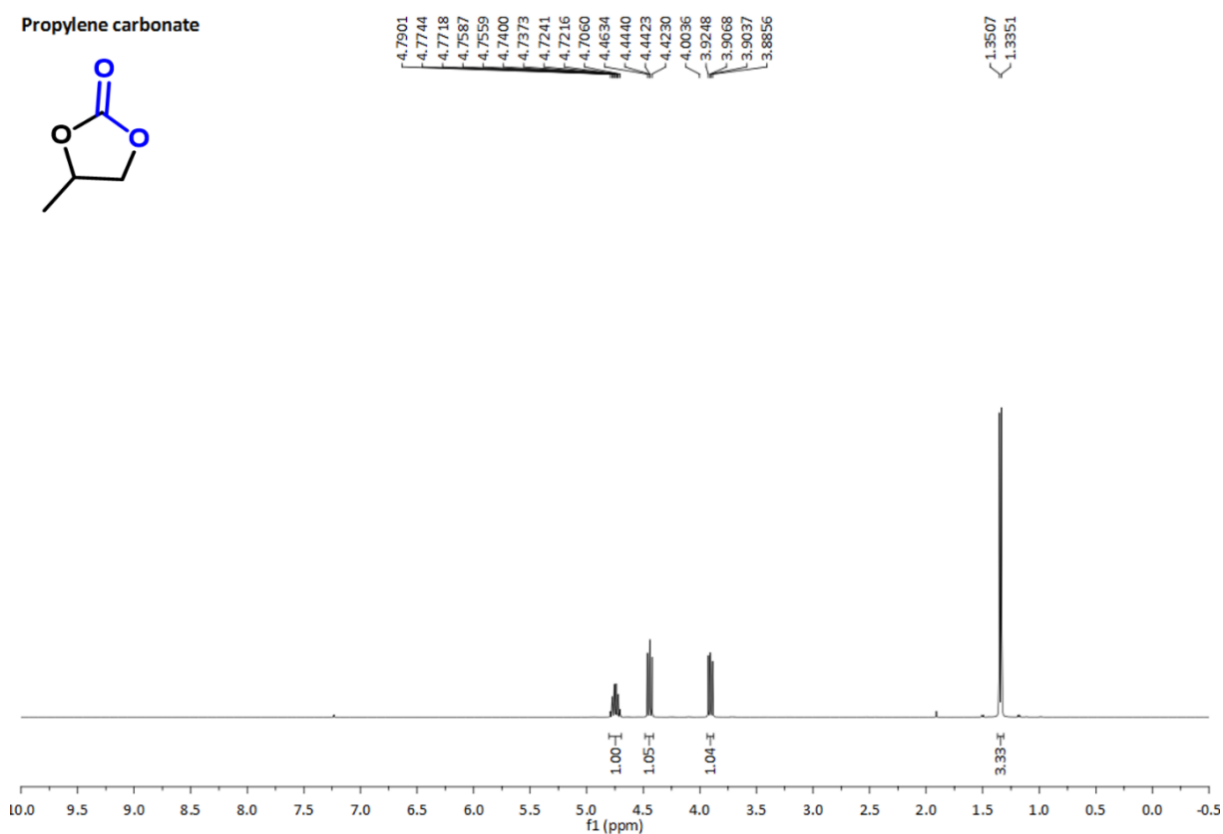


**Fig. S16** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 4-chloromethyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the CO<sub>2</sub>-epichlorohydrin cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

## Propylene carbonate:

Appearance: colourless liquid, Isolated yield: 84 %

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.79-4.70 (m, 1H), 4.44 (q,  $J=7.7, 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.90 (q,  $J=7.2, 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 1.34 (d,  $J=6.2$ , 3H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1787 (C=O), 1052 (C-O), 2928 (C-H).

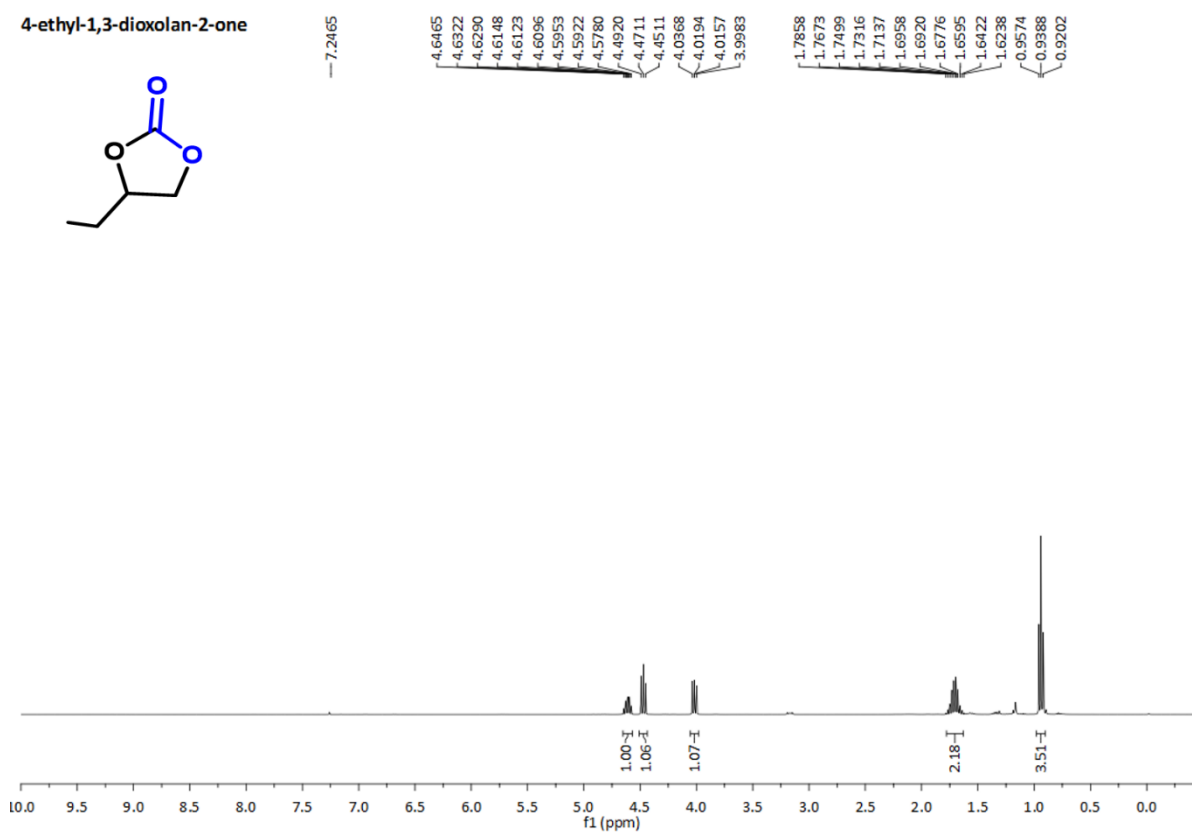


**Fig. S17**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Propylene carbonate, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -propylene oxide cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

### 4-ethyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one:

Appearance: yellowish liquid, Isolated yield: 69 %

$^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.64-4.57(m, 1H), 4.47 (t,  $J=8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.01 (q,  $J=6.96$ , 8.44 Hz, 1H), 1.78-1.62 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t,  $J=7.4$  Hz, 3H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1792 (C=O), 1056 (C-O), 2963 (C-H).

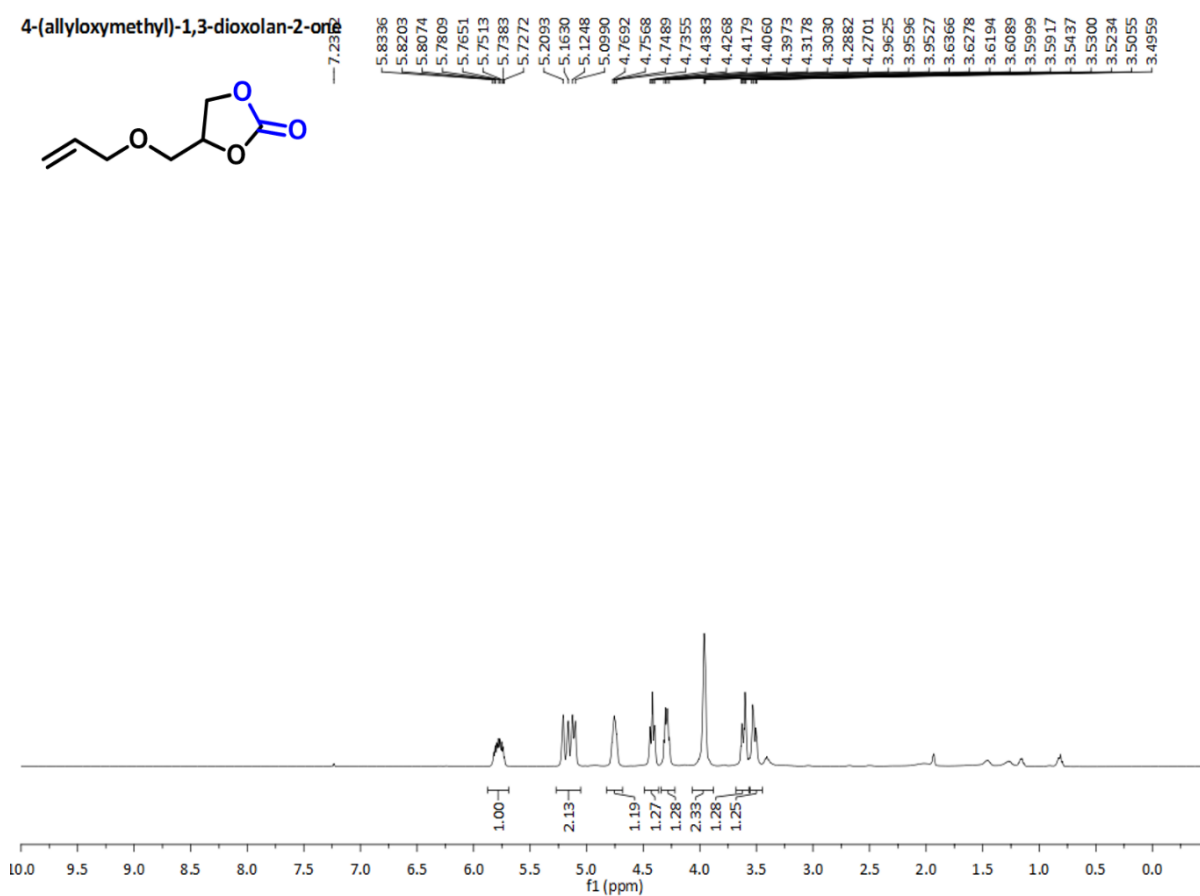


**Fig. S18**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  spectrum of 4-ethyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -1,2-epoxybutane cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

#### 4-((allyloxy)methyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one:

Appearance: pale yellow liquid, Isolated yield: 91%

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 5.83-5.72 (m, 1H), 5.20-5.09 (m, 2H), 4.76-4.73 (m, 1H), 4.43-4.39 (m, 1H), 4.31-4.27 (m, 1H), 3.96-3.95 (m, 2H), 3.63-3.59 (m, 1H), 3.54-3.49 (m, 1H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1790 (C=O), 1044 (C-O), 2916 (C-H).

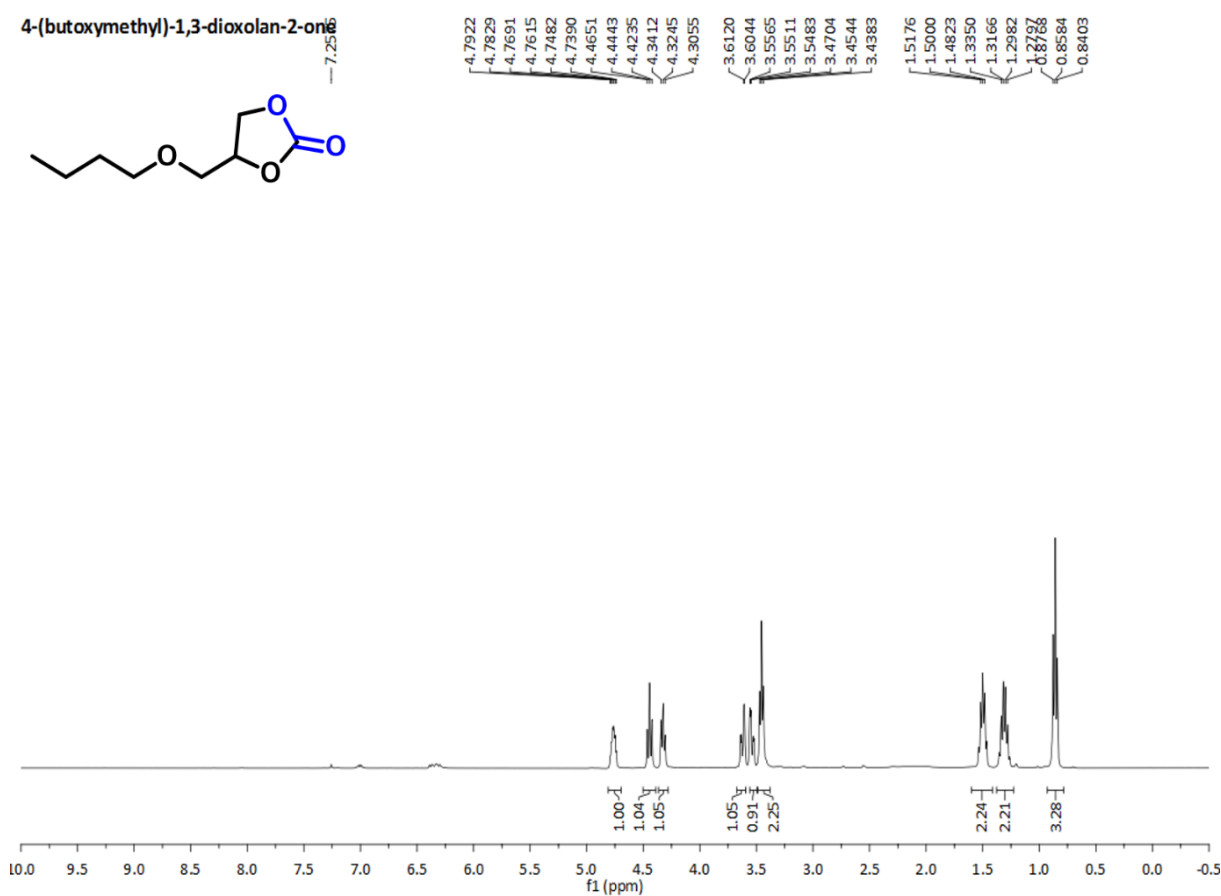


**Fig. S19**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 4-((allyloxy)methyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -allyl glycidyl ether cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

#### 4-(butoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one

Appearance: colourless liquid, Isolated yield: 89 %

$^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.79-4.73 (m, 1H), 4.44 (t,  $J=8.3$  Hz, 1H), 4.32 (t,  $J=7.14$  Hz, 1H), 3.63-3.60 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.52 (m, 1H), 3.45 (t,  $J=6.42$  Hz, 2H), 1.53-1.46 (m, 2H), 1.36-1.26 (m, 2H), 0.85 (t,  $J=7.3$  Hz, 3H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1795 (C=O), 1053 (C-O), 2924 (C-H).



**Fig. S20**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  spectrum of 4-(butoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -n-butyl glycidyl ether cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

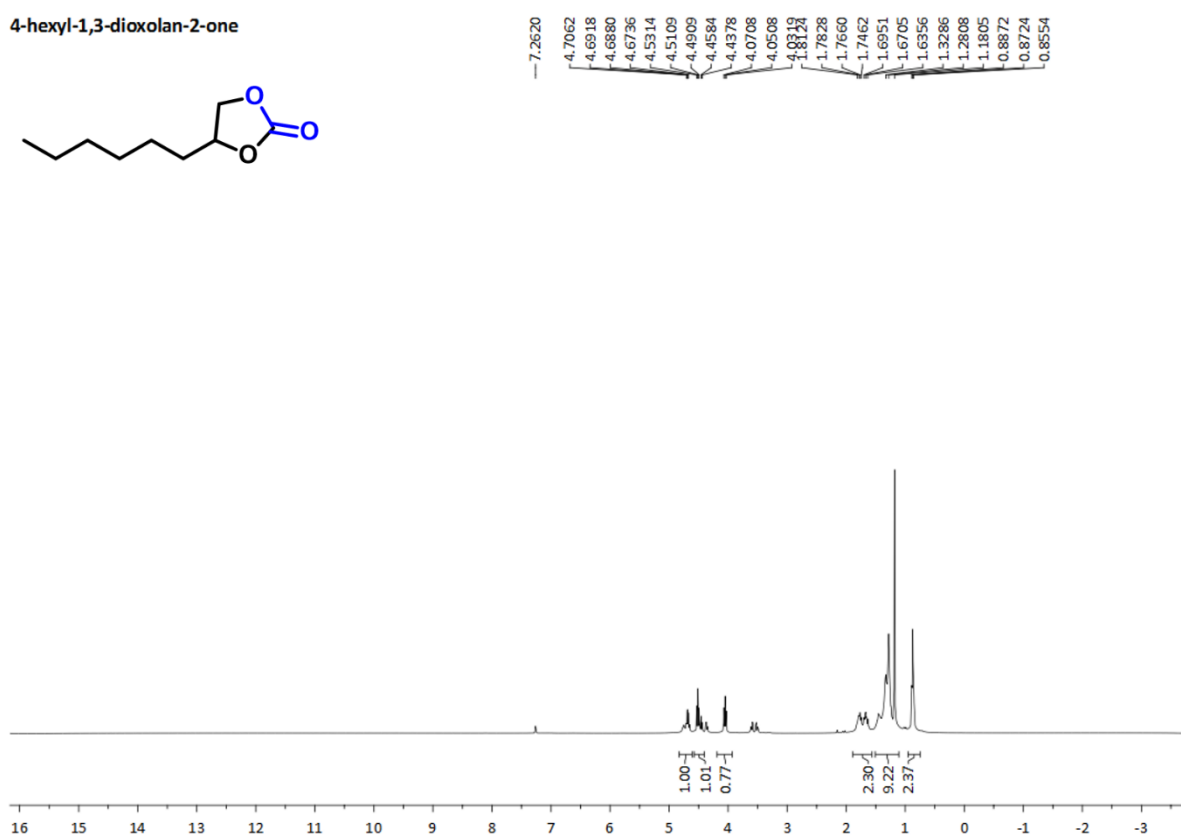
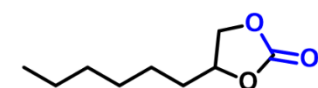


### 4-hexyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one

Appearance: pale yellow liquid, Isolated yield: 42 %

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.70-4.65 (m, 1H), 4.53-4.43 (m, 1H), 4.05 (t,  $J=7.7$  Hz, 1H), 1.81-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.18 (m, 9H), 0.88-0.85 (m, 2H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1801 (C=O), 1062 (C-O), 2942 (C-H).

4-hexyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one

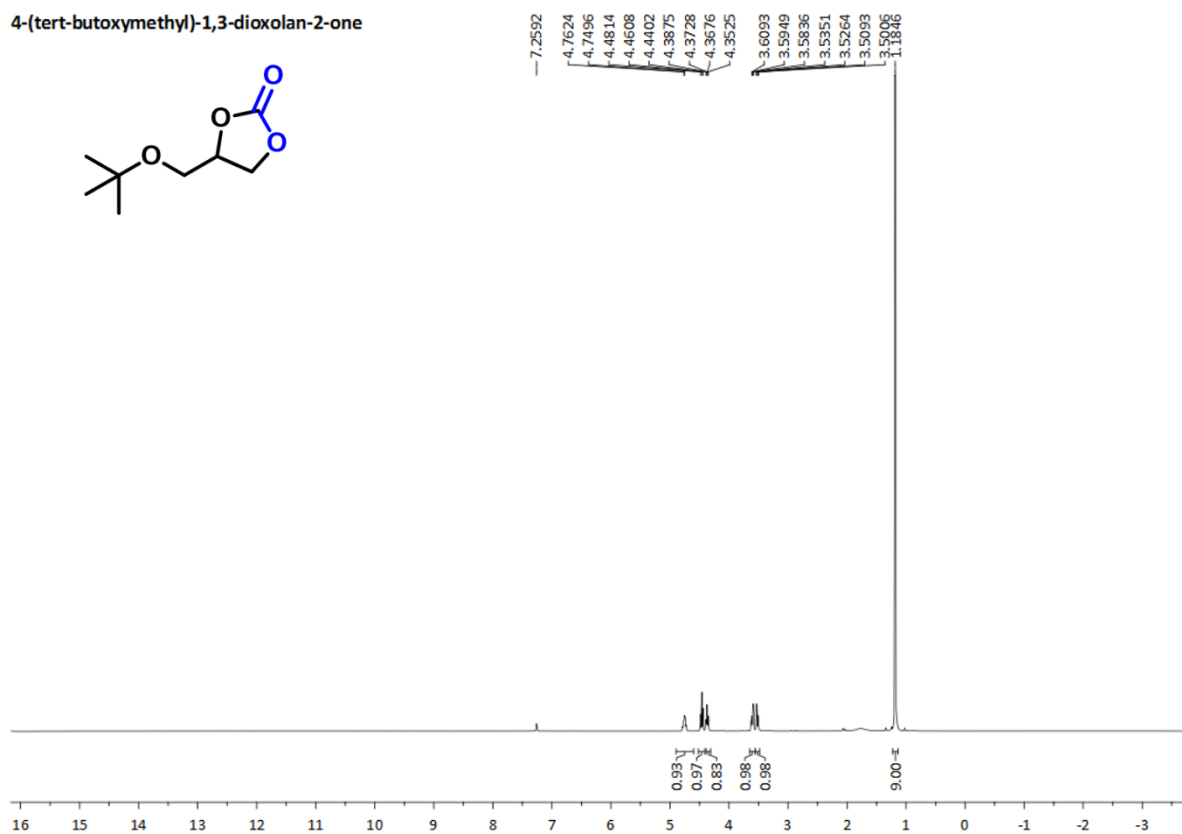


**Fig. S21**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 4-hexyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -2-hexyloxirane cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

### 4-(tert-butoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one

Appearance: brown liquid, Isolated yield: 63 %

$^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.78-4.72 (m, 1H), 4.46 (t,  $J=8.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.38-4.35 (m, 1H), 3.60 (dd,  $J=4.5, 10.3$  Hz, 1H), 3.52 (dd,  $J=6.4, 10.3$  Hz, 1H), 1.18 (s, 9H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}$ / $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1794 (C=O), 1056 (C-O), 2975 (C-H).

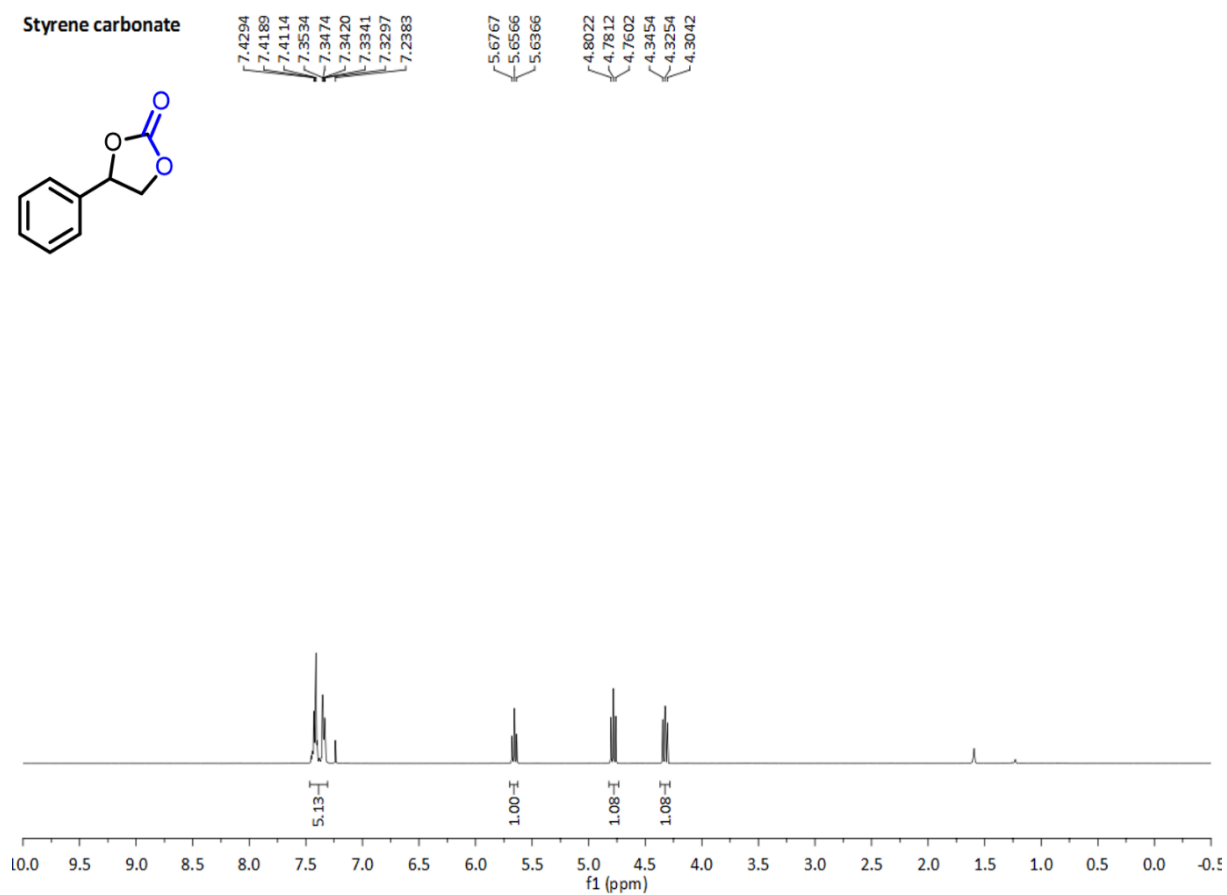


**Fig. S22**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  spectrum of 4-(tert-butoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -2-(tert-butoxymethyl) oxirane cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

### Styrene carbonate:

Appearance: white solid, Isolated yield: 61 %

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 7.42-7.32 (m, 5H), 5.65 (t,  $J=8$  Hz, 1H), 4.78 (t,  $J=8.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.32 (t,  $J=8.2$  Hz, 1H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1797 (C=O) 1076 (C-O), 3043 (C-H).

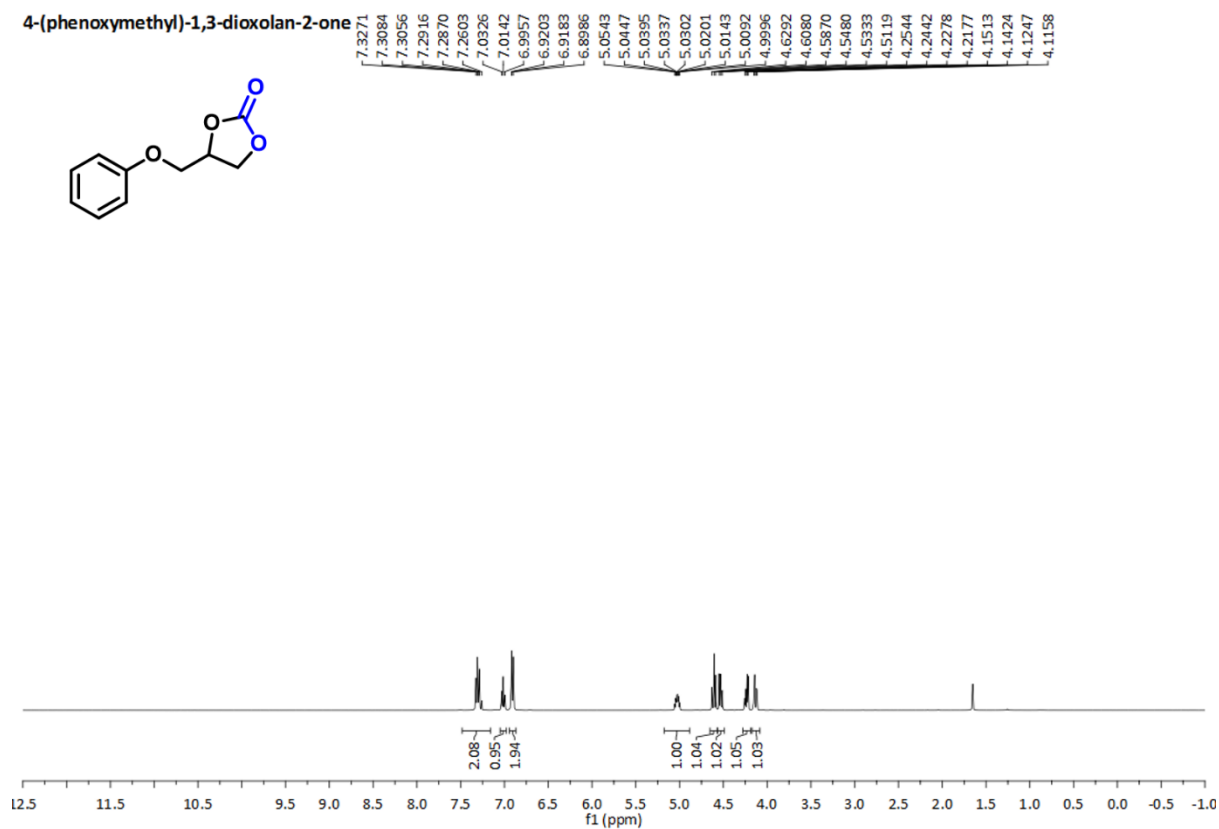


**Fig. S23**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of styrene carbonate, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -styrene oxide cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

### 4-(phenoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one

Appearance: white solid, Isolated yield: 71 %

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 7.32-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.01 (t,  $J=7.3$  Hz, 1H), 6.92-6.89 (m, 2H), 5.05-4.99 (m, 1H), 4.60 (t,  $J=8.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.54-4.51 (m, 1H), 4.23 (dd,  $J=4.0, 10.6$ , 1H), 4.13 (dd,  $J=3.5, 10.6$  Hz, 1H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1801 (C=O), 1091 (C-O), 2924 (C-H).

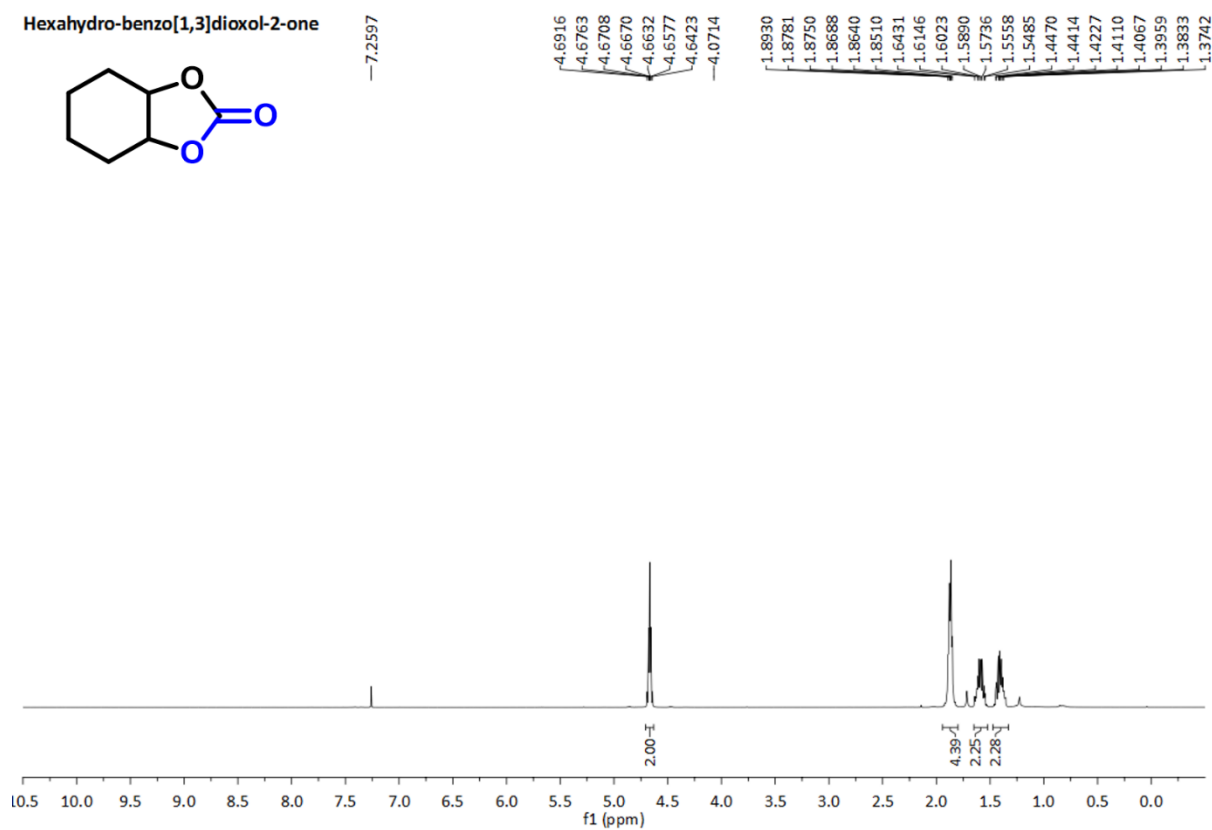


**Fig. S24**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 4-(phenoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -phenyl glycidyl ether cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

### Hexahydro-benzo [1,3] dioxol-2-one:

Appearance: Pale yellow liquid, Isolated yield: 47 %

$^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.69-4.07 (m, 2H), 1.87-1.85 (m, 4H), 1.64-4.54 (m, 2H), 1.44-1.35 (m, 2H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1801 (C=O), 1027, (C-O), 2936 (C-H).



**Fig. S25**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  spectrum of hexahydro-benzo [1,3] dioxol-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -cyclohexene oxide cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

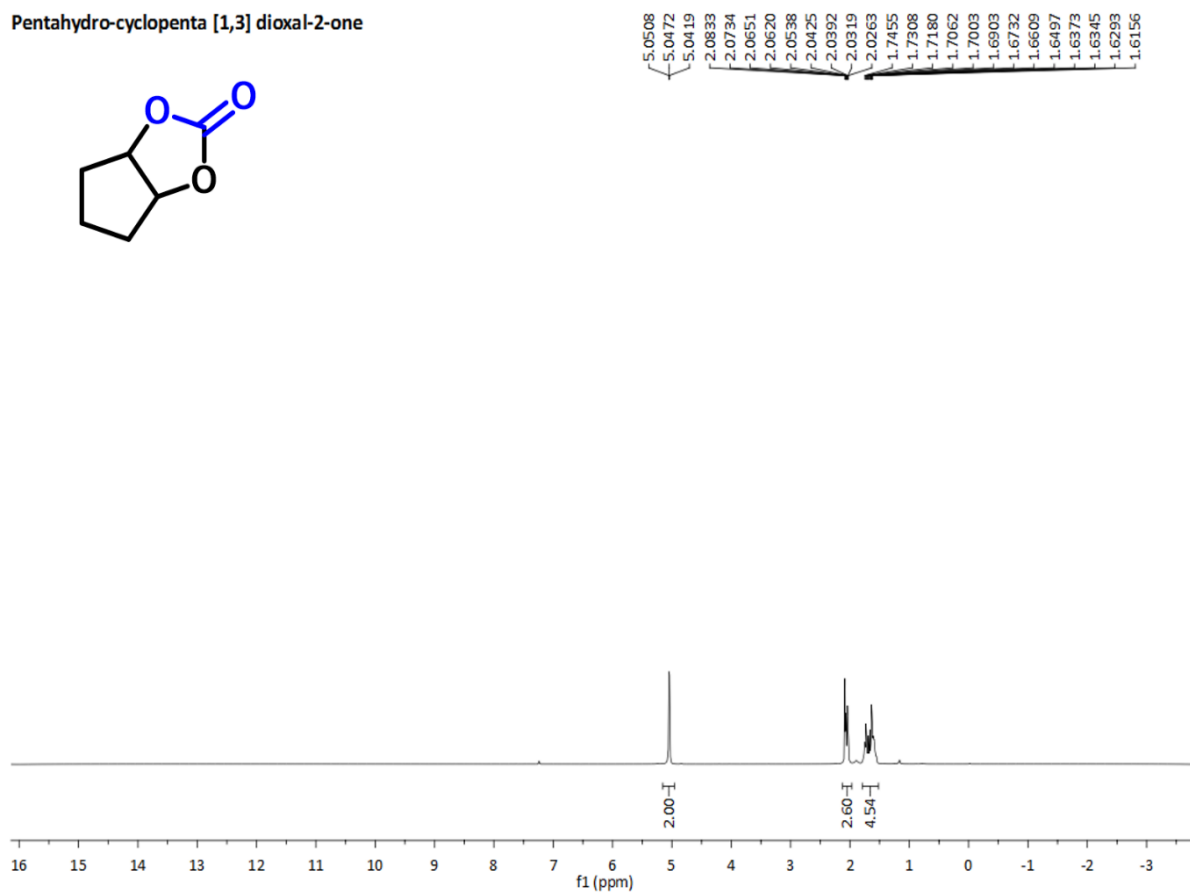
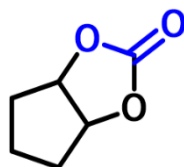


**Pentahydro-cyclopenta [1,3] dioxal-2-one:**

Appearance: white solid, Isolated yield: 26 %

$^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  (ppm): 5.05-5.04 (m, 2H), 2.08-2.02 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.61 (m, 4H). FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1795 (C=O), 1041 (C-O), 2977 (C-H).

Pentahydro-cyclopenta [1,3] dioxal-2-one



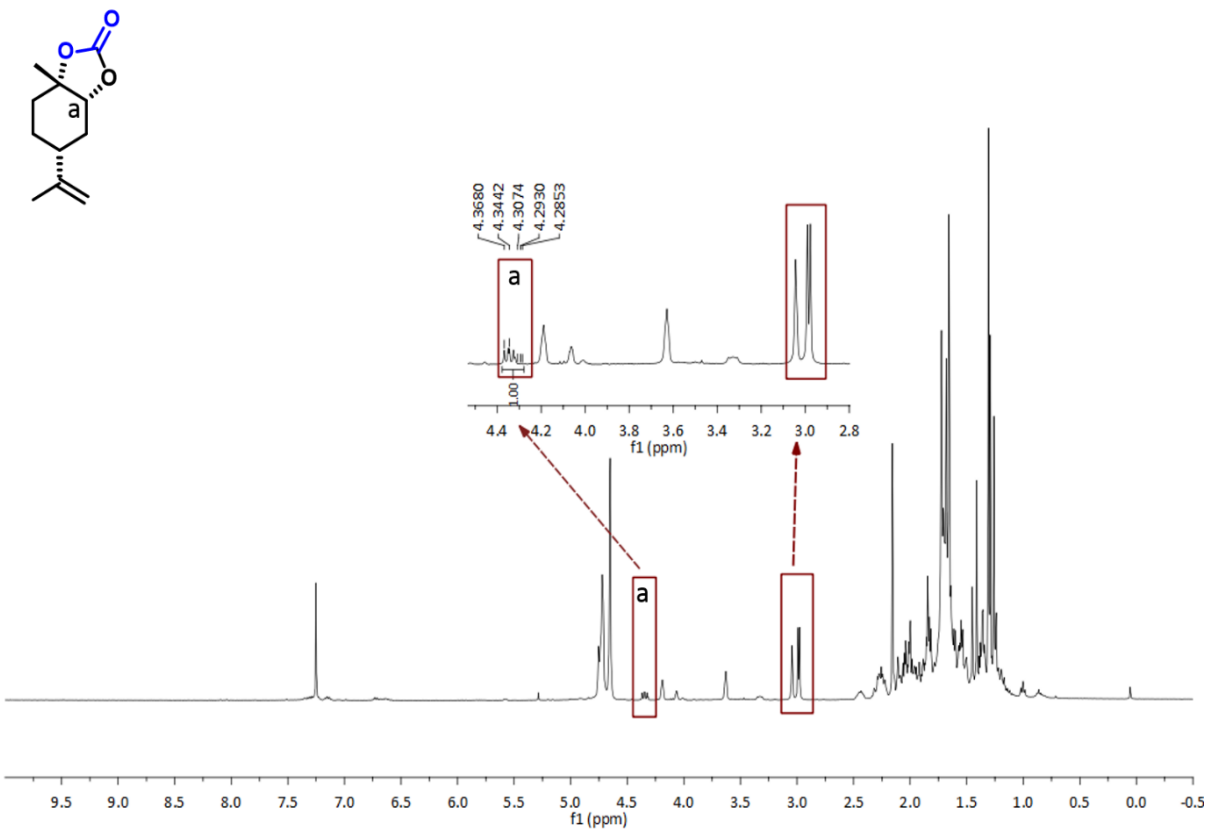
**Fig. S26**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  spectrum of pentahydro-cyclopenta [1,3] dioxal-2-one, synthesized from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -cyclopentene oxide cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

### Trans-1,2-limonene oxide:

Appearance: colourless reaction mixture turned into greenish

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz) of reaction mixture:  $\delta$  (ppm)= 4.36-4.28 (m, 1H) is the characteristic signal of trans-1,2-limonene oxide. FTIR ( $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 1798 (C=O), 1036 (C-O), 2961 (C-H).

#### trans-1,2-limonene carbonate



**Fig. S27**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of trans-1,2-limonene oxide containing reaction mixture, obtained from the  $\text{CO}_2$ -cis/trans mixtures of 1,2-limonene oxide cycloaddition reaction using NSC-773 catalyst.

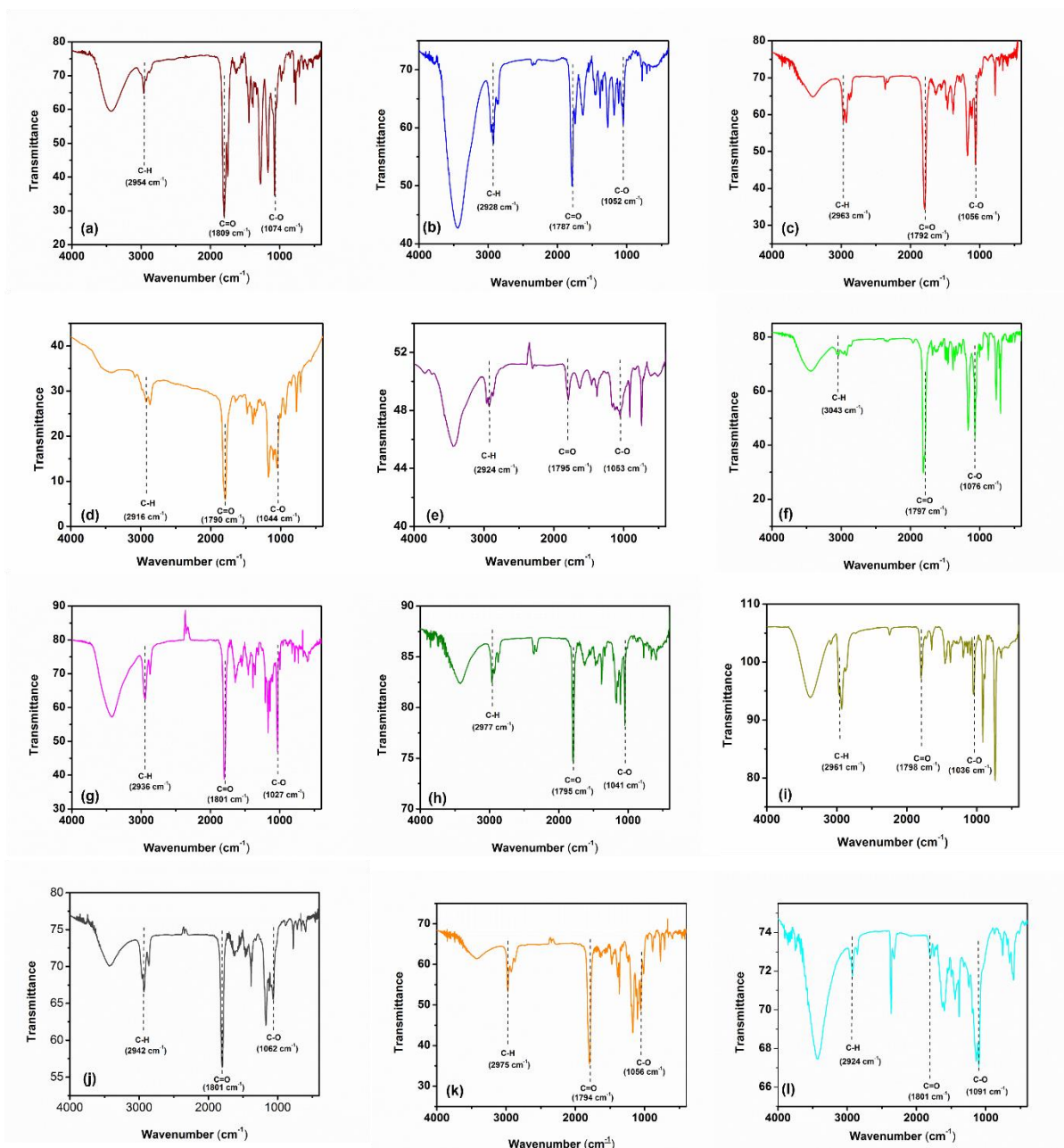
### Section S11: Calculations

$$\text{Conversion of epichlorohydrin (\%)} = \frac{\text{initial moles of epichlorohydrin} - \text{final moles of epichlorohydrin}}{\text{initial moles of epichlorohydrin}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Selectivity of cyclic carbonate (\%)} = \frac{\text{moles of the cyclic carbonate formed}}{\text{moles of epichlorohydrin converted}} \times 100$$

The conversion of epichlorohydrin and selectivity of the corresponding carbonate were calculated by plotting the calibration curve through manually injecting standard epichlorohydrin and corresponding carbonate while for the other substrates, the internal standard was used for the calculation.

## Section S12: FTIR analysis of various cyclic carbonates



**Fig. S28** FTIR analysis of respective cyclic carbonates of (a) epichlorohydrin; (b) propylene oxide; (c) 1,2-epoxybutane; (d) 4-((allyloxy)methyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one; (e) 4-(butoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one; (f) styrene oxide; (g) cyclohexene oxide; (h) cyclopentene oxide; (i) trans-1,2-limonene carbonate; (j) 4-hexyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one; (k) 4-(tert-butoxymethyl)-1,3-dioxolan-2-one and (l) 4-(phenoxy)methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-one.

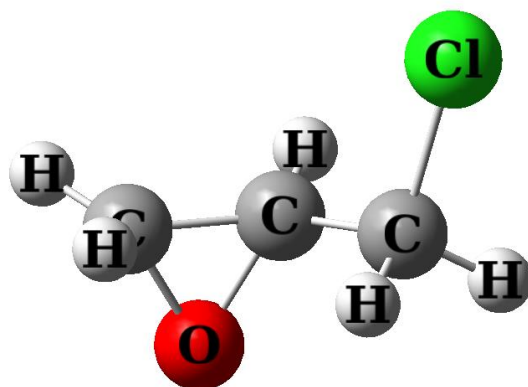
### Section S13: Computational details



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O	-4.67415	2.44613	0.00000

**Fig. S29** Optimized geometry, energy, and Cartesian coordinates of CO<sub>2</sub> molecule at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

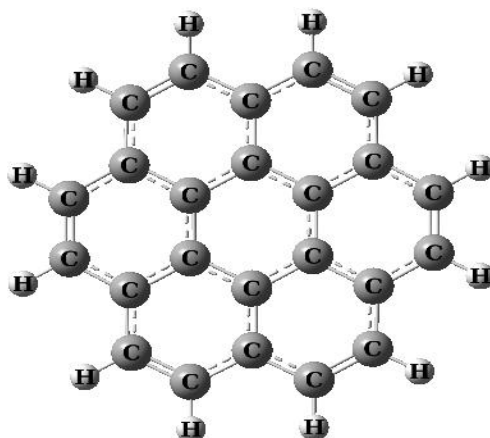


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**Fig. S30** Optimized geometry, energy, and Cartesian coordinates of epichlorohydrin molecule at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



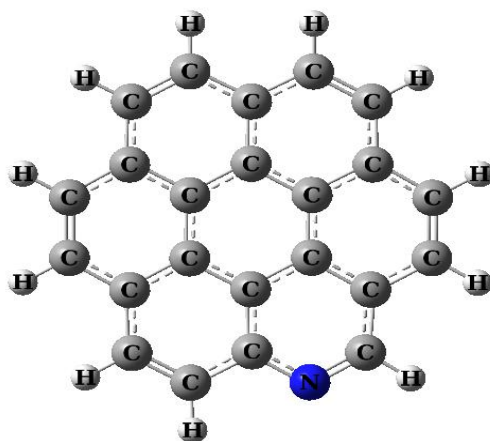
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**Fig. S31** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

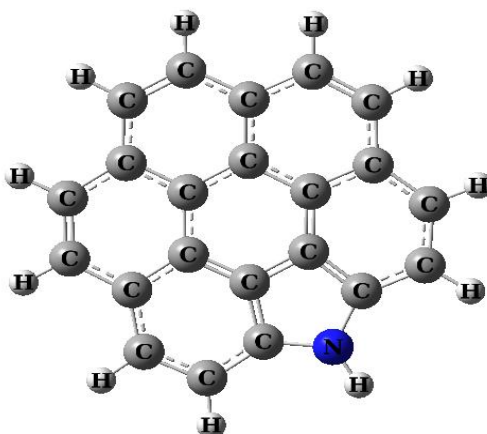


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**Fig. S32** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of pyridine functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

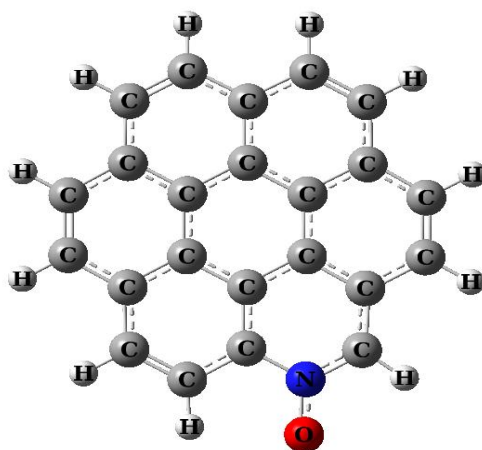


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**Fig. S33** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of pyrrole functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

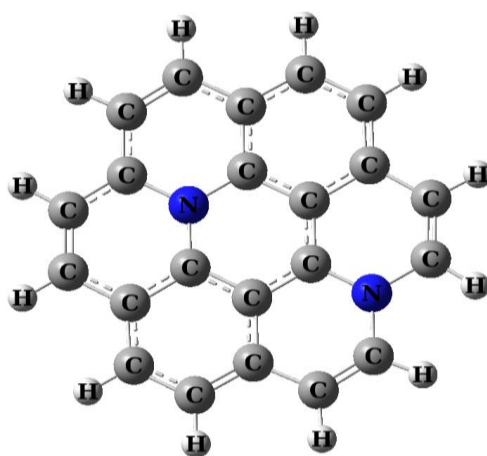


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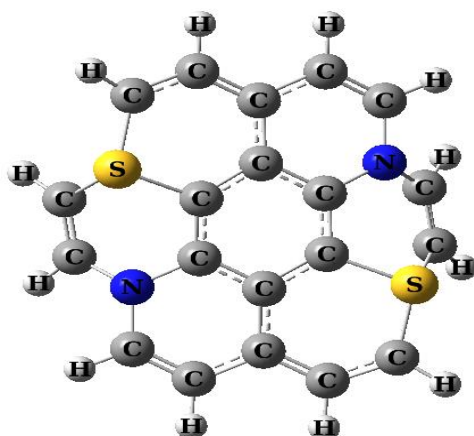
**Fig. S34** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of pyridinium oxide functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



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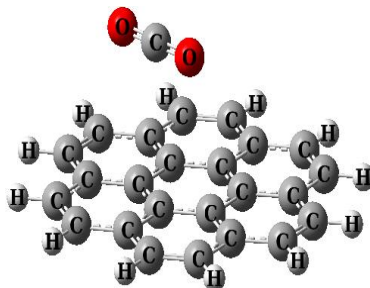
**Fig. S35** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of quaternary-N functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



**E = -1674.5896061273 au**

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C	-5.87625	0.57616	0.10721
C	-4.50434	2.51232	-0.63361
S	-4.56733	-0.44074	0.54647
C	-3.25172	1.88789	-0.27509
C	-3.14047	0.56708	0.19634
C	-2.03567	2.58291	-0.41512
C	-0.84125	1.98235	-0.02004
C	-0.71504	0.59833	0.19840
C	-1.92667	-0.11500	0.26536
S	0.56551	3.07598	-0.02858
C	0.55194	-0.08578	0.31734
N	-1.91199	-1.53059	0.26780
N	-2.01073	3.83311	-1.07899
C	-4.13689	-1.75430	-0.61665
C	-4.42110	3.87470	-1.10414
C	-2.88526	-2.21142	-0.45644
C	-0.67282	-2.18694	0.51607
C	1.73425	0.62711	0.31062
C	-3.25092	4.49439	-1.30806
C	-0.94462	4.12021	-1.92530
C	0.30364	3.67577	-1.71207
C	1.88627	2.00902	0.21060
H	-1.20939	4.70609	-2.80239
H	1.14267	3.79976	-2.38206
H	-6.83224	0.20987	0.44888
H	-6.61456	2.39523	-0.65058
H	2.80805	2.51936	0.44446
H	2.65326	0.06852	0.48321
H	-5.33964	4.42770	-1.27524
H	-2.54104	-3.13300	-0.91997
H	-3.15921	5.52463	-1.62549
C	0.48405	-1.51142	0.53500
H	-0.75727	-3.24779	0.71118
H	-4.89951	-2.20188	-1.23818
H	1.40017	-2.05401	0.74740

**Fig. S36** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of N, S co-doped coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

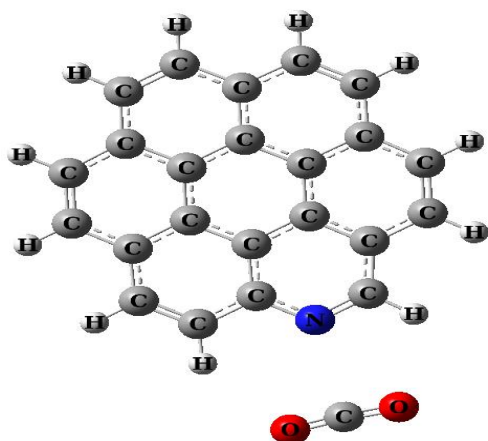


**E = -1110.0592831720 au**

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C	-3.20097	1.76043	-0.78599
C	-3.16488	0.38709	-0.39721
C	-1.98793	2.50368	-0.88962
C	-0.73973	1.87406	-0.60901
C	-0.70362	0.50220	-0.22210
C	-1.91566	-0.24111	-0.11516
C	0.45987	2.60992	-0.71225
C	0.53184	-0.12006	0.05689
C	-1.88083	-1.59753	0.27405
C	-2.02461	3.86371	-1.26593
C	-4.30378	-1.71049	0.11699
C	-4.44756	3.75874	-1.42935
C	-3.10671	-2.31403	0.38146
C	-0.62119	-2.20204	0.54888
C	0.54040	-1.49067	0.44357
H	1.49478	-1.96380	0.65691
C	1.72812	0.64373	-0.05700
C	-3.28523	4.46968	-1.53308
C	-0.79989	4.58363	-1.36316
C	0.39629	3.97947	-1.09745
C	1.69342	1.95842	-0.42726
H	-0.83411	5.62969	-1.65431
H	1.32342	4.54036	-1.17526
H	-6.52199	-0.25725	-0.45946
H	-6.58422	2.11208	-1.13152
H	2.61354	2.53014	-0.50914
H	2.67610	0.15902	0.15882
H	-5.40248	4.23482	-1.63308
H	-5.23157	-2.26840	0.20636
H	-3.07329	-3.35730	0.68267

H	-0.60051	-3.24652	0.84689
H	-3.30675	5.51697	-1.82110
C	-3.41262	1.88892	2.27765
O	-2.25190	1.92017	2.34737
O	-4.57456	1.86316	2.22650

**Fig. S37** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 12(a) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



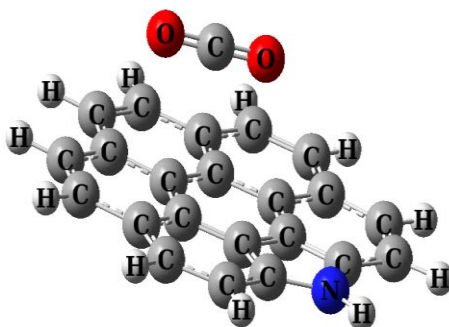
**E = -1126.0981407474 au**

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C	-4.37390	-0.35733	-0.21055
C	-3.21042	1.74207	-0.68117
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C	-2.01090	2.48892	-0.79927
C	-0.75489	1.86918	-0.55870
C	-0.70699	0.49111	-0.19867
C	-1.91428	-0.25968	-0.08070
C	0.42998	2.62215	-0.67908
C	0.53648	-0.12904	0.03984
C	-1.87036	-1.62340	0.27419
C	-2.08601	3.84704	-1.15825
C	-4.30215	-1.73390	0.14980
C	-4.38555	3.76467	-1.28420
C	-3.09772	-2.33981	0.38200
C	-0.60198	-2.22788	0.51001
C	0.55547	-1.50860	0.39725
H	1.51484	-1.98416	0.58043
C	1.72388	0.64961	-0.08661
N	-3.28577	4.46434	-1.39709
C	-0.87896	4.59354	-1.27576
C	0.33111	3.99755	-1.04320
C	1.67359	1.97208	-0.43197



H	-0.95789	5.63902	-1.55421
H	1.24707	4.57452	-1.13518
H	-6.53117	-0.25006	-0.37386
H	-6.58797	2.13578	-0.99682
H	2.58968	2.54869	-0.52341
H	2.68060	0.16928	0.09802
H	-5.31668	4.29556	-1.48365
H	-5.22529	-2.29943	0.23796
H	-3.06082	-3.39057	0.65579
H	-0.56931	-3.27871	0.78340
C	-3.82638	6.99562	-2.16722
O	-2.71586	7.34126	-2.19797
O	-4.95993	6.73127	-2.16209

**Fig. S38** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 12(b) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

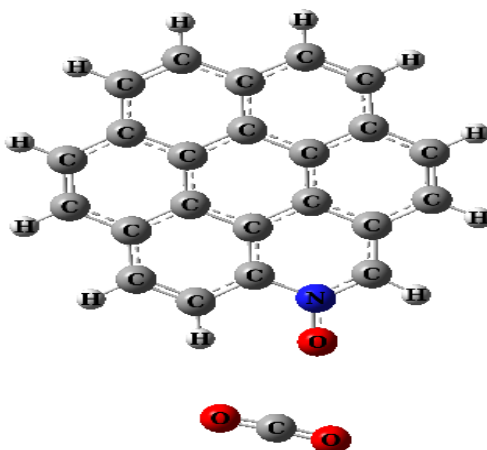


**E = -1087.9632137127 au**

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C	-5.73555	0.38536	-0.91092
C	-4.47830	2.37430	-1.47883
C	-4.58887	-0.30077	-0.39833
C	-3.38958	1.66656	-1.00251
C	-3.37537	0.39682	-0.45918
C	-2.26078	2.46644	-1.06235
C	-1.03048	2.05605	-0.58565
C	-0.95979	0.74766	-0.02425
C	-2.12902	-0.07796	0.03994
C	0.02967	2.97225	-0.63642
C	0.26445	0.31476	0.50504
C	-2.08564	-1.34930	0.62851
C	-2.60256	3.70536	-1.57507
C	-4.50837	-1.60592	0.19607
N	-3.98235	3.64026	-1.84553
C	-3.31766	-2.09457	0.67710
C	-0.82852	-1.78341	1.14450
C	0.29532	-0.98742	1.08629
H	1.23054	-1.35354	1.50115

C	1.37429	1.23002	0.43303
C	-1.54221	4.64246	-1.64354
C	-0.27694	4.25786	-1.18603
C	1.27286	2.49118	-0.10188
H	-1.68023	5.64744	-2.02838
H	0.52102	4.99306	-1.24218
H	-6.69344	-0.12662	-0.88150
H	-6.64031	2.12606	-1.78309
H	2.14577	3.13799	-0.10997
H	2.32855	0.90432	0.83797
H	-4.53469	4.39134	-2.22452
H	-5.40443	-2.21559	0.27418
H	-3.29620	-3.08410	1.12581
H	-0.76231	-2.76587	1.60428
C	-1.72797	2.54746	2.37085
O	-0.60667	2.70720	2.63606
O	-2.85534	2.39605	2.12662

**Fig. S39** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 12(c) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

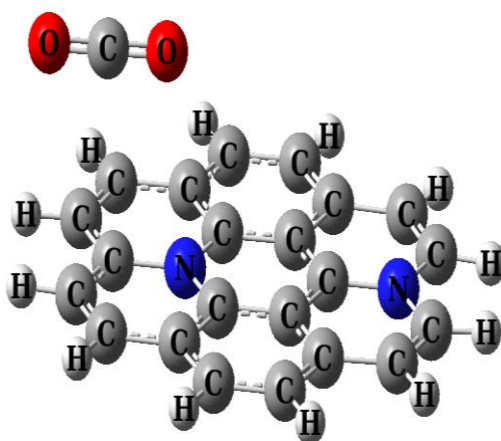


**E = -1201.2274240666 au**

C	-5.71526	1.52858	-0.78852
C	-5.62929	0.20993	-0.43386
C	-4.53687	2.31810	-0.92509
C	-4.37310	-0.41882	-0.18975
C	-3.28950	1.71580	-0.68881
C	-3.19770	0.34909	-0.32085
C	-2.11815	2.50500	-0.82572
C	-0.83684	1.93114	-0.59444
C	-0.74008	0.55781	-0.22418
C	-1.91875	-0.23313	-0.08725
C	0.32293	2.72127	-0.73234
C	0.52630	-0.01761	0.00691
C	-1.82458	-1.59131	0.27916

C	-2.20534	3.85384	-1.18823
C	-4.25045	-1.78827	0.18130
C	-4.57177	3.68309	-1.28851
C	-3.02432	-2.35094	0.40657
C	-0.53411	-2.14904	0.50719
C	0.59683	-1.39131	0.37597
H	1.57381	-1.83176	0.55333
C	1.68662	0.79833	-0.13798
N	-3.46840	4.42698	-1.41775
C	-1.04750	4.65168	-1.32818
C	0.18120	4.08823	-1.10328
C	1.59076	2.11438	-0.49313
H	-1.16854	5.69025	-1.60882
H	1.07680	4.69347	-1.20788
H	-6.53340	-0.38351	-0.33221
H	-6.68196	1.98810	-0.96975
H	2.48562	2.72069	-0.59873
H	2.66015	0.35073	0.04085
H	-5.48732	4.22443	-1.48824
H	-5.15303	-2.38386	0.28368
H	-2.94764	-3.39701	0.68907
H	-0.46200	-3.19545	0.78955
O	-3.54435	5.65501	-1.74866
C	-2.80853	8.14107	-2.13060
O	-3.92585	8.41817	-2.27844
O	-1.67061	7.92914	-1.99351

**Fig. S40** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 12(d) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

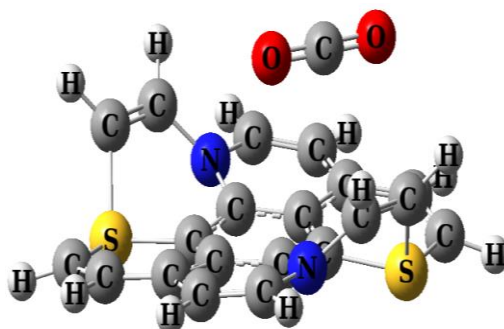


**E = -1143.2200291133 au**

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C	-5.49410	0.35189	-0.12412
C	-4.26279	2.39868	-0.56379
C	-4.25752	-0.38556	-0.07573
N	-3.02877	1.69280	-0.50335

C	-3.02999	0.32600	-0.26377
C	-1.83423	2.38167	-0.66005
C	-0.59558	1.68492	-0.60376
C	-0.59359	0.30057	-0.37857
C	-1.80191	-0.38958	-0.20484
C	0.63832	2.40017	-0.77426
N	0.61625	-0.39260	-0.32412
C	-1.80803	-1.80604	0.03341
C	-1.82515	3.79556	-0.88091
C	-4.21576	-1.75636	0.15346
C	-4.23677	3.78863	-0.78665
C	-3.00344	-2.45979	0.20578
C	-0.50948	-2.46532	0.07708
C	0.62025	-1.77257	-0.09504
C	1.82275	0.29468	-0.49472
C	-3.08579	4.49158	-0.93214
C	-0.60743	4.44753	-1.03795
C	0.61217	3.75670	-0.98631
C	1.86267	1.61322	-0.70824
H	-0.61929	5.51914	-1.20464
H	1.54691	4.29454	-1.11419
H	-6.42651	-0.17725	0.03057
H	-6.37442	2.27034	-0.40215
H	2.81884	2.10691	-0.83463
H	2.70684	-0.32826	-0.43824
H	-5.20210	4.28447	-0.81732
H	-5.15516	-2.27967	0.29465
H	-3.00417	-3.53072	0.38594
H	-0.46168	-3.53349	0.25227
H	-3.08753	5.56196	-1.09866
H	1.60557	-2.22133	-0.06999
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O	-5.21929	3.84396	2.25894
O	-3.09227	2.90072	2.24771

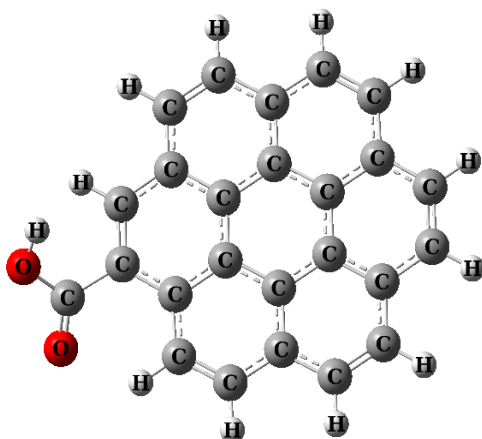
**Fig. S41** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 12(e) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



**E = -1863.1079686032 au**

C	-5.81453	1.90862	-0.14145
C	-5.97888	0.63976	0.40882
C	-4.62395	2.55481	-0.41249
S	-4.66146	-0.40396	0.75009
C	-3.36299	1.91287	-0.12785
C	-3.24310	0.59172	0.34092
C	-2.14735	2.58647	-0.34837
C	-0.93852	1.96982	-0.02623
C	-0.82169	0.58252	0.19014
C	-2.03952	-0.10993	0.32932
S	0.48548	3.02848	-0.17810
C	0.43656	-0.12711	0.22010
N	-2.05107	-1.52503	0.30917
N	-2.14638	3.82207	-1.03915
C	-4.32028	-1.69504	-0.46610
C	-4.54984	3.91411	-0.89285
C	-3.06908	-2.17213	-0.38740
C	-0.81249	-2.20706	0.48149
C	1.62935	0.56235	0.12371
C	-3.38553	4.50983	-1.18284
C	-1.14990	4.05734	-1.98016
C	0.10096	3.58251	-1.85792
C	1.79579	1.94029	0.00364
H	-1.47242	4.63180	-2.84569
H	0.88619	3.66400	-2.59650
H	-6.91857	0.28354	0.80227
H	-6.73345	2.47249	-0.29652
H	2.74364	2.43581	0.14762
H	2.54800	-0.01243	0.23201
H	-5.46778	4.48393	-1.00024
H	-2.76048	-3.08104	-0.89858
H	-3.29534	5.53702	-1.51046
C	0.35585	-1.55241	0.43620
H	-0.90539	-3.26724	0.67648
H	-5.11998	-2.10525	-1.06639
H	1.27328	-2.11208	0.59048
C	-0.77668	0.69643	-2.88961
O	0.38479	0.69052	-2.95386
O	-1.94005	0.69330	-2.84965

**Fig. S42** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 12(f) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

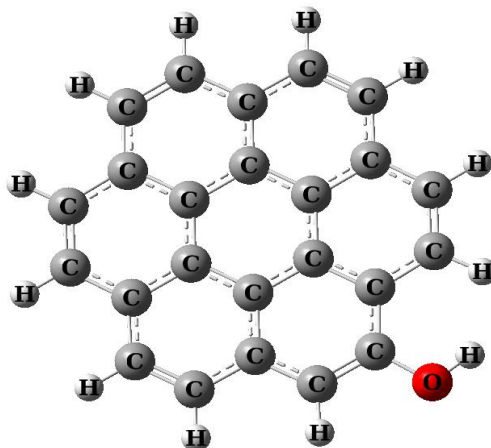


**E = -1110.0449274228 au**

C	-5.61078	1.60321	-0.80842
C	-5.58020	0.26725	-0.49100
C	-4.42653	2.37461	-0.92560
C	-4.33095	-0.40317	-0.26824
C	-3.18624	1.74600	-0.68962
C	-3.14040	0.35748	-0.35753
C	-1.98269	2.50488	-0.78880
C	-0.72459	1.88044	-0.54867
C	-0.67257	0.49682	-0.21215
C	-1.87655	-0.26288	-0.11832
C	0.46649	2.63165	-0.64453
C	0.57439	-0.12109	0.02538
C	-1.81474	-1.63270	0.21264
C	-2.03701	3.87550	-1.12495
C	-4.23909	-1.78571	0.06887
C	-4.45743	3.75603	-1.26881
C	-3.02607	-2.37034	0.29968
C	-0.54534	-2.23330	0.44863
C	0.60615	-1.50505	0.35875
H	1.56907	-1.97386	0.54032
C	1.76158	0.65826	-0.07662
C	-3.30385	4.47997	-1.36397
C	-0.82164	4.61108	-1.21615
C	0.38394	4.01170	-0.98415
C	1.71044	1.98474	-0.39938
H	-0.87049	5.66466	-1.47573
H	1.30413	4.58440	-1.05721
C	-6.88083	-0.48307	-0.43989
H	-6.55989	2.09115	-1.02092
H	2.62375	2.56791	-0.47463
H	2.71662	0.17465	0.10775
H	-5.41930	4.22561	-1.45382
H	-5.14601	-2.37313	0.12334
H	-2.97419	-3.42529	0.55353
H	-0.51086	-3.28879	0.70262

H	-3.33606	5.53383	-1.62485
O	-7.03855	-1.60747	-0.83317
O	-7.92591	0.21016	0.06551
H	-7.60807	1.02215	0.47955

**Fig. S43** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of -COOH functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

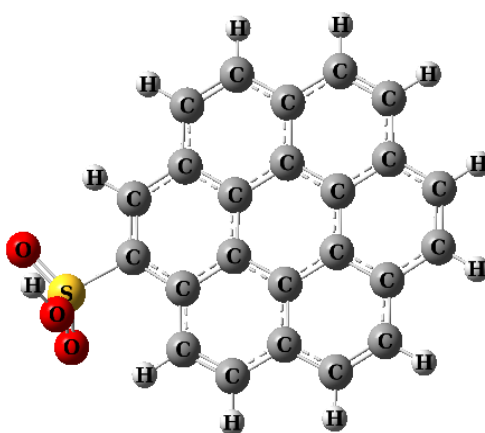


**E = -996.7388837878 au**

C	-5.64952	1.64839	-0.84748
C	-5.61060	0.33030	-0.48874
C	-4.45398	2.41351	-0.95575
C	-4.37623	-0.32139	-0.21151
C	-3.21625	1.78984	-0.68589
C	-3.17636	0.41513	-0.31165
C	-2.00421	2.53328	-0.78700
C	-0.75305	1.90288	-0.51413
C	-0.71263	0.52525	-0.13885
C	-1.92713	-0.21398	-0.03916
C	0.44197	2.64699	-0.61688
C	0.53035	-0.09358	0.13053
C	-1.88662	-1.57559	0.33170
C	-2.04279	3.89539	-1.15768
C	-4.30869	-1.69331	0.16427
C	-4.46404	3.78801	-1.32743
C	-3.11219	-2.29744	0.42568
C	-0.63617	-2.18521	0.59949
C	0.53261	-1.47711	0.50474
O	1.68551	-2.14122	0.77988
C	1.71902	0.68246	0.01848
C	-3.30310	4.50142	-1.42460
C	-0.82133	4.62002	-1.25304
C	0.37680	4.01867	-0.99253
C	1.67697	1.99979	-0.34076
H	-0.85965	5.66740	-1.53891
H	1.30301	4.58113	-1.06841

H	-6.52948	-0.24394	-0.40925
H	-6.59844	2.13397	-1.05644
H	2.59566	2.57357	-0.42033
H	2.69326	0.24300	0.21715
H	-5.41898	4.26300	-1.53406
H	-5.23450	-2.25683	0.24032
H	-3.07625	-3.34465	0.71140
H	-0.58709	-3.23054	0.88611
H	-3.32471	5.54958	-1.70930
H	2.44277	-1.55611	0.68453

**Fig. S44** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of -OH functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



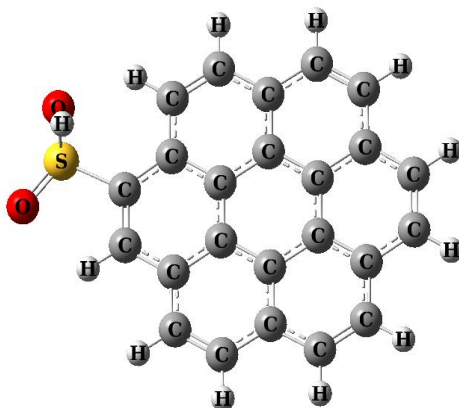
**E = -1545.2282277791 au**

C	-5.66039	1.65712	-0.87604
C	-5.62394	0.33671	-0.52453
C	-4.46000	2.40664	-0.98398
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C	-3.23203	1.76659	-0.71344
C	-3.20477	0.38529	-0.34632
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C	-0.73949	0.49957	-0.16555
C	-1.95307	-0.24432	-0.07326
C	0.42976	2.61153	-0.62378
C	0.49597	-0.12689	0.10660
C	-1.91314	-1.60662	0.29071
C	-2.05115	3.87377	-1.17074
C	-4.33683	-1.73598	0.11415
C	-4.47012	3.78191	-1.35041
C	-3.13368	-2.32852	0.37494
C	-0.65472	-2.21643	0.56002
C	0.50622	-1.50342	0.47152
H	1.46060	-1.97882	0.67897
C	1.69337	0.63677	0.00783



C	-3.30595	4.48957	-1.44054
C	-0.82568	4.59355	-1.25630
C	0.36868	3.98536	-0.99270
C	1.66204	1.95653	-0.34406
H	-0.85830	5.64223	-1.53713
H	1.29651	4.54610	-1.06172
S	-7.18947	-0.49562	-0.43111
H	-6.61621	2.13334	-1.07112
H	2.58284	2.52818	-0.41619
H	2.63969	0.14706	0.21881
H	-5.42396	4.25785	-1.55738
H	-5.24632	-2.32119	0.17424
H	-3.09843	-3.37833	0.65114
H	-0.63645	-3.26612	0.83835
H	-3.32065	5.53874	-1.72088
O	-7.14985	-1.70874	-1.21169
O	-8.24758	0.48318	-0.59697
O	-7.22849	-0.96965	1.11811
H	-7.75286	-0.32022	1.61258

**Fig. S45** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of -SO<sub>3</sub>H functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

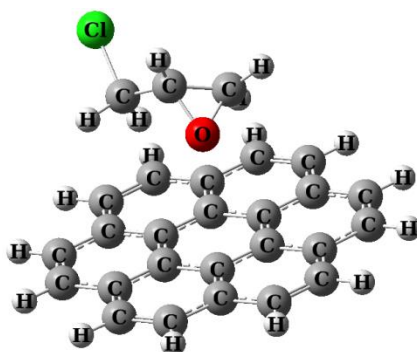


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C	-4.37307	-0.30158	-0.10765
C	-3.19370	1.81447	-0.57463
C	-3.16718	0.42169	-0.25650
C	-1.97386	2.53713	-0.72561
C	-0.72426	1.87198	-0.55681
C	-0.69520	0.48329	-0.23738
C	-1.91483	-0.24122	-0.08857
C	0.48266	2.58829	-0.70432
C	0.54225	-0.17452	-0.06816

C	-1.88054	-1.61634	0.22653
C	-2.00334	3.91342	-1.04145
C	-4.31142	-1.69178	0.19880
C	-4.43145	3.87016	-1.05446
C	-3.10845	-2.31892	0.36420
C	-0.61958	-2.25730	0.39246
C	0.54746	-1.56259	0.25091
H	1.50333	-2.06225	0.37976
C	1.74561	0.57053	-0.22168
C	-3.26158	4.55956	-1.20262
C	-0.77148	4.61289	-1.18676
C	0.42531	3.97472	-1.02403
C	1.71710	1.90173	-0.52843
H	-0.80109	5.67100	-1.43032
H	1.35771	4.52056	-1.13698
S	-7.19000	-0.40364	-0.01321
H	-6.59642	2.24066	-0.66520
H	2.64256	2.45881	-0.64316
H	2.69407	0.05772	-0.08981
H	-5.38718	4.37119	-1.17595
H	-5.22920	-2.26232	0.28704
H	-3.07702	-3.37873	0.60013
H	-3.27475	5.61820	-1.44523
O	-8.20032	0.63076	-0.33574
O	-7.07488	-1.47062	-1.27193
H	-0.60364	-3.31595	0.63500
H	-6.92376	-0.97703	-2.09585

**Fig. S46** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of -SO<sub>2</sub>H functionalized coronene at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



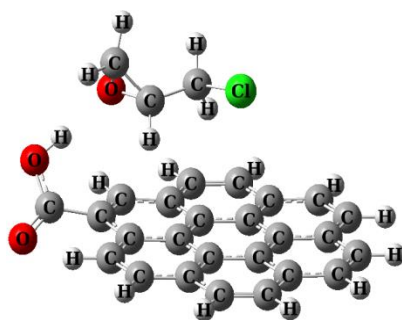
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C	-4.30333	-0.12461	0.18517
C	-3.15725	1.90554	-0.58991
C	-3.10764	0.58686	-0.05198

C	-1.95067	2.63135	-0.81098
C	-0.69389	2.03930	-0.49319
C	-0.64230	0.71814	0.03980
C	-1.85010	-0.00719	0.26387
C	0.50033	2.76093	-0.70479
C	0.60259	0.13114	0.35483
C	-1.80058	-1.30791	0.81195
C	-2.00059	3.93758	-1.34120
C	-4.22708	-1.43344	0.74359
C	-4.42528	3.81410	-1.43342
C	-3.02243	-2.00346	1.04685
C	-0.53158	-1.87866	1.12014
C	0.62603	-1.18589	0.89727
H	1.58659	-1.63087	1.14100
C	1.79317	0.88217	0.13681
C	-3.26866	4.50830	-1.64852
C	-0.78150	4.64362	-1.54896
C	0.42330	4.07767	-1.24124
C	1.74301	2.14873	-0.37352
H	-0.82701	5.64930	-1.95735
H	1.34607	4.62786	-1.40242
H	-6.46368	-0.06006	0.05255
H	-6.54834	2.21507	-0.89130
H	2.65827	2.71102	-0.53620
H	2.74770	0.42643	0.38452
H	-5.38662	4.26186	-1.66912
H	-5.15128	-1.97467	0.92613
H	-2.97820	-3.00203	1.47232
H	-0.49996	-2.87912	1.54208
H	-3.30000	5.51436	-2.05726
O	-2.31182	2.29264	2.36066
C	-3.07701	1.40734	3.16846
C	-1.77353	1.91272	3.61314
H	-3.14510	0.38368	2.79928
H	-3.98925	1.83040	3.58150
H	-1.73418	2.70190	4.36321
C	-0.55687	1.03505	3.51653
H	-0.72252	0.22809	2.80309
Cl	-0.20796	0.28778	5.11305
H	0.32655	1.60390	3.22183

**Fig. S47** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 13(a) at M06-2X

level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

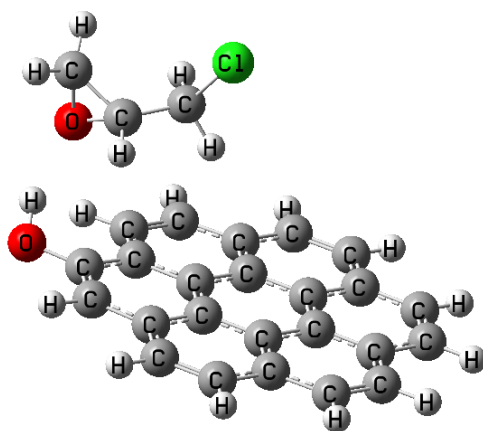


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C	-4.26214	-0.41610	-0.21214
C	-3.12644	1.76025	-0.48518
C	-3.07143	0.34766	-0.28092
C	-1.92652	2.53121	-0.51518
C	-0.66467	1.89129	-0.34489
C	-0.60408	0.48063	-0.15430
C	-1.80384	-0.28997	-0.12361
C	0.52175	2.65499	-0.36539
C	0.64673	-0.15291	0.00993
C	-1.73682	-1.68510	0.07345
C	-1.98930	3.92906	-0.70643
C	-4.16581	-1.82559	-0.01453
C	-4.41244	3.81125	-0.85547
C	-2.94736	-2.42996	0.11562
C	-0.46296	-2.30179	0.22933
C	0.68563	-1.56348	0.19915
H	1.65176	-2.04460	0.32190
C	1.82963	0.63921	-0.01661
C	-3.26146	4.54711	-0.88155
C	-0.77835	4.67723	-0.72087
C	0.43072	4.06282	-0.55604
C	1.77019	1.99213	-0.19618
H	-0.83343	5.75204	-0.86759
H	1.34774	4.64499	-0.56946
C	-6.81003	-0.43816	-0.01682
H	-6.51510	2.14056	-0.56096
H	2.68019	2.58498	-0.21266
H	2.78805	0.14410	0.11101
H	-5.37846	4.29138	-0.98174
H	-5.07693	-2.41022	0.01140
H	-2.88932	-3.50525	0.25897
H	-0.42211	-3.37720	0.37631
H	-3.29997	5.62178	-1.03519
O	-7.11017	-1.50112	-0.49611
O	-7.63737	0.20611	0.82157
H	-7.18086	0.95211	1.25768

O	-6.18835	2.08685	2.40643
C	-5.81073	1.46983	3.64219
C	-4.81003	1.79510	2.62135
C	-3.93098	3.00984	2.74036
H	-4.40794	0.98850	2.01109
H	-6.14083	0.44073	3.75609
H	-5.91176	2.10812	4.51648
H	-4.33860	3.72037	3.46085
H	-3.80653	3.49774	1.77219
Cl	-2.30414	2.50913	3.29689

**Fig. S48** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 13(b) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

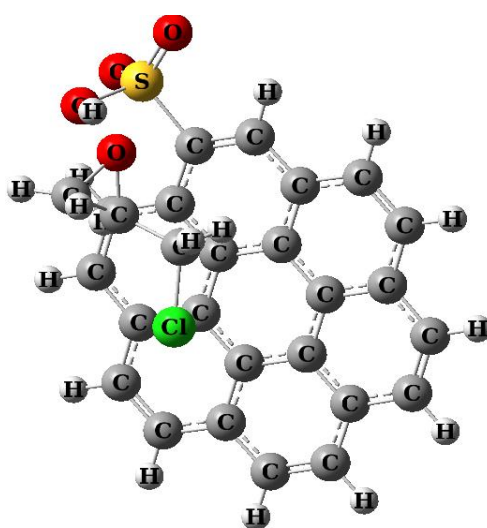


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C	-4.18898	-0.29630	-0.59570
C	-2.84302	1.72093	-0.98702
C	-2.94485	0.36870	-0.54705
C	-1.58812	2.39558	-0.92902
C	-0.43475	1.71808	-0.43107
C	-0.53437	0.35931	-0.00293
C	-1.79167	-0.31148	-0.06004
C	0.80293	2.39553	-0.35714
C	0.61324	-0.30913	0.47832
C	-1.88805	-1.65074	0.37508
C	-1.48779	3.73620	-1.35902
C	-4.26217	-1.64554	-0.14751
C	-3.85485	3.74340	-1.90654
C	-3.15624	-2.29810	0.31942
C	-0.71779	-2.32321	0.81724
C	0.49663	-1.68962	0.85287
O	1.58968	-2.38885	1.26071
C	1.84116	0.40470	0.57679

C	-2.65256	4.39032	-1.85102
C	-0.22580	4.39195	-1.28301
C	0.87691	3.74786	-0.79879
C	1.93181	1.70689	0.16894
H	-0.15628	5.42363	-1.61626
H	1.83226	4.26150	-0.73946
H	-6.27955	-0.11415	-1.12516
H	-6.10254	2.22176	-1.89144
H	2.87450	2.24037	0.25167
H	2.71140	-0.09607	0.98606
H	-4.73622	4.25493	-2.28294
H	-5.22209	-2.15309	-0.18468
H	-3.22785	-3.32837	0.65570
H	-0.76625	-3.36587	1.11455
H	-2.56779	5.42134	-2.18256
H	2.33107	-2.18284	0.66523
O	3.09803	-1.74297	-1.01720
C	2.09227	-1.71413	-2.02794
C	3.28236	-2.55754	-2.17599
C	1.98286	-0.40716	-2.76243
H	1.15116	-2.18764	-1.75086
H	3.20288	-3.62732	-2.00635
H	4.08380	-2.23078	-2.83433
H	2.96226	0.06902	-2.82520
H	1.27501	0.26812	-2.27956
Cl	1.39304	-0.70259	-4.43120

**Fig. S49** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of Fig. 13(c) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

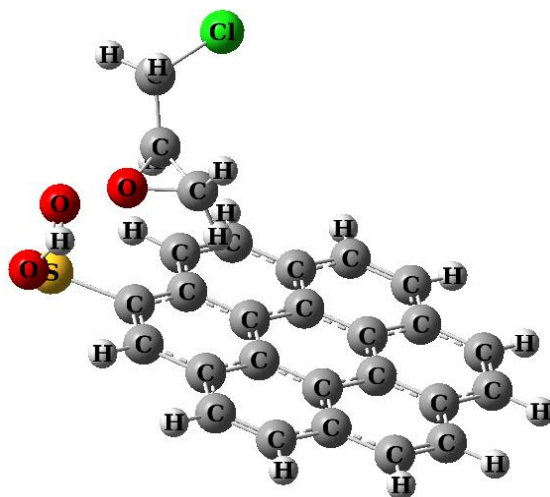


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C	-4.46384	-0.34383	-0.23686
C	-3.50678	1.90994	-0.57265
C	-3.34932	0.52884	-0.23778
C	-2.38080	2.78494	-0.56023
C	-1.09231	2.28422	-0.21383
C	-0.93097	0.90892	0.11996
C	-2.05540	0.03208	0.10452
C	0.02060	3.15152	-0.19825
C	0.34430	0.41578	0.47018
C	-1.88876	-1.32649	0.44315
C	-2.54370	4.14913	-0.88818
C	-4.26638	-1.71855	0.09003
C	-4.92304	3.79901	-1.22575
C	-3.02354	-2.18170	0.42060
C	-0.59242	-1.80100	0.79255
C	0.48393	-0.96109	0.80547
H	1.46855	-1.33332	1.07346
C	1.45168	1.31048	0.47832
C	-3.84044	4.63163	-1.22373
C	-1.40418	5.00266	-0.86862
C	-0.16972	4.52155	-0.53613
C	1.29641	2.62886	0.15553
H	-1.53564	6.05020	-1.12351
H	0.69150	5.18350	-0.52388
S	-7.22492	-0.76533	-0.48307
H	-6.89697	1.92657	-1.06476
H	2.14940	3.30127	0.16546
H	2.42982	0.92288	0.74822
H	-5.91020	4.17516	-1.47693
H	-5.10805	-2.40004	0.06364
H	-2.88774	-3.23087	0.66698
H	-0.47570	-2.84981	1.04947
H	-3.95518	5.68191	-1.47546
O	-7.05737	-1.93659	-1.31294
O	-8.35634	0.12350	-0.65539
O	-7.21170	-1.30695	1.02351
H	-7.36705	-0.55782	1.65238
O	-6.90247	0.68191	2.77089
C	-5.48453	0.54414	2.89484
C	-6.36441	0.27210	4.03448
C	-4.74740	1.84581	2.75892
H	-5.06156	-0.30188	2.35379
H	-6.57540	-0.75722	4.30994
H	-6.46486	1.01432	4.82188
H	-5.18124	2.60807	3.40734
H	-4.77109	2.19027	1.72402
Cl	-3.03104	1.62538	3.21188

**Fig. S50** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of 13(d) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



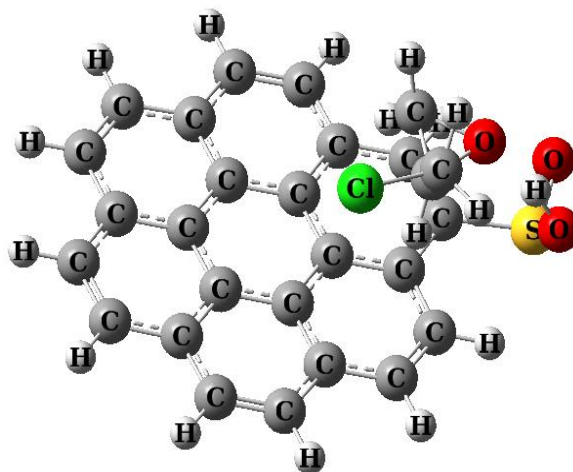
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C	-4.15749	-0.37949	0.23417
C	-3.10477	1.79336	-0.31375
C	-2.99767	0.42742	0.09056
C	-1.93627	2.59821	-0.46633
C	-0.64980	2.04182	-0.21239
C	-0.53516	0.68343	0.20127
C	-1.70447	-0.12034	0.35595
C	0.50673	2.83672	-0.36616
C	0.74013	0.13471	0.45911
C	-1.57715	-1.46096	0.77452
C	-2.05429	3.94688	-0.86811
C	-3.99399	-1.73172	0.66742
C	-4.46946	3.72064	-0.96305
C	-2.75369	-2.24134	0.92771
C	-0.28106	-1.99131	1.03099
C	0.83669	-1.22251	0.87725
H	1.82129	-1.63703	1.07380
C	1.89166	0.95575	0.29432
C	-3.34946	4.48675	-1.11142
C	-0.87310	4.72717	-1.01731
C	0.36057	4.19177	-0.77641
C	1.78023	2.25766	-0.10376
H	-0.97138	5.76343	-1.32757
H	1.25432	4.79800	-0.89349
S	-6.98633	-0.70886	0.12522



H	-6.49908	1.97304	-0.62559
H	2.66672	2.87355	-0.22487
H	2.86840	0.52417	0.49341
H	-5.45423	4.13877	-1.14962
H	-4.86484	-2.36399	0.77418
H	-2.65411	-3.27182	1.25647
H	-3.43022	5.52547	-1.41851
O	-6.72075	-2.07813	-0.39687
O	-7.85290	0.11766	-0.97891
H	-0.19887	-3.02568	1.35180
H	-7.38618	0.03466	-1.84584
O	-6.22450	-0.34991	-3.15890
C	-5.34377	-1.47402	-3.10645
C	-4.82973	-0.13198	-3.39155
C	-5.56661	-2.45567	-4.22192
H	-5.21067	-1.89474	-2.11194
H	-4.30894	0.41421	-2.60901
H	-4.58540	0.13697	-4.41661
H	-5.81316	-1.93234	-5.14659
H	-6.36202	-3.15764	-3.97197
Cl	-4.07583	-3.41132	-4.50314

**Fig. S51** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of 13(e) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set..

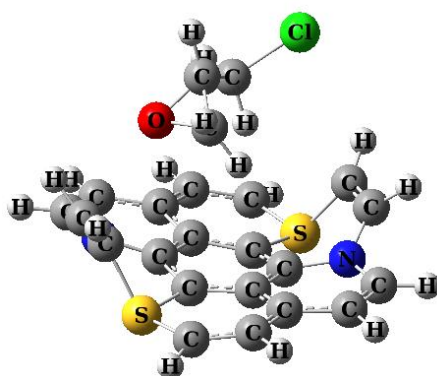


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C	-4.54675	-0.31730	-0.17428
C	-3.31117	1.76283	-0.66936
C	-3.32288	0.36008	-0.39336
C	-2.07599	2.43931	-0.89321
C	-0.84835	1.71624	-0.85117

C	-0.85635	0.31672	-0.58267
C	-2.09070	-0.35974	-0.34984
C	0.37329	2.38556	-1.07718
C	0.35913	-0.39965	-0.54521
C	-2.09063	-1.74427	-0.07515
C	-2.06969	3.82556	-1.16320
C	-4.51702	-1.71339	0.12003
C	-4.49314	3.87911	-1.00488
C	-3.33200	-2.39406	0.16789
C	-0.85123	-2.44526	-0.04524
C	0.32870	-1.79728	-0.27304
H	1.26818	-2.34184	-0.24805
C	1.57797	0.29797	-0.77832
C	-3.30799	4.52656	-1.21067
C	-0.82336	4.47808	-1.38410
C	0.35274	3.78444	-1.34269
C	1.58513	1.64019	-1.03371
H	-0.82524	5.54474	-1.58897
H	1.29655	4.29418	-1.51404
S	-7.38537	-0.32006	-0.02598
H	-6.69845	2.30600	-0.60114
H	2.52217	2.16092	-1.20882
H	2.50929	-0.26018	-0.74819
H	-5.43371	4.42002	-1.04749
H	-5.44757	-2.24373	0.28347
H	-3.32666	-3.45722	0.39088
H	-3.29368	5.59253	-1.41875
O	-8.33946	0.73375	-0.44525
O	-7.24836	-1.47825	-1.17226
H	-0.86271	-3.51086	0.16439
H	-6.85291	-1.12981	-2.00338
O	-5.77497	-0.85974	-3.42993
C	-4.41061	-1.26925	-3.44985
C	-4.77466	0.13354	-3.66923
C	-4.05973	-2.15630	-4.61105
H	-3.99944	-1.56007	-2.48469
H	-4.63798	0.85327	-2.86754
H	-4.76982	0.52703	-4.68300
H	-4.53243	-1.79563	-5.52529
H	-4.36105	-3.18787	-4.42781
Cl	-2.28449	-2.15139	-4.85376

**Fig. S52** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of 13(f) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.

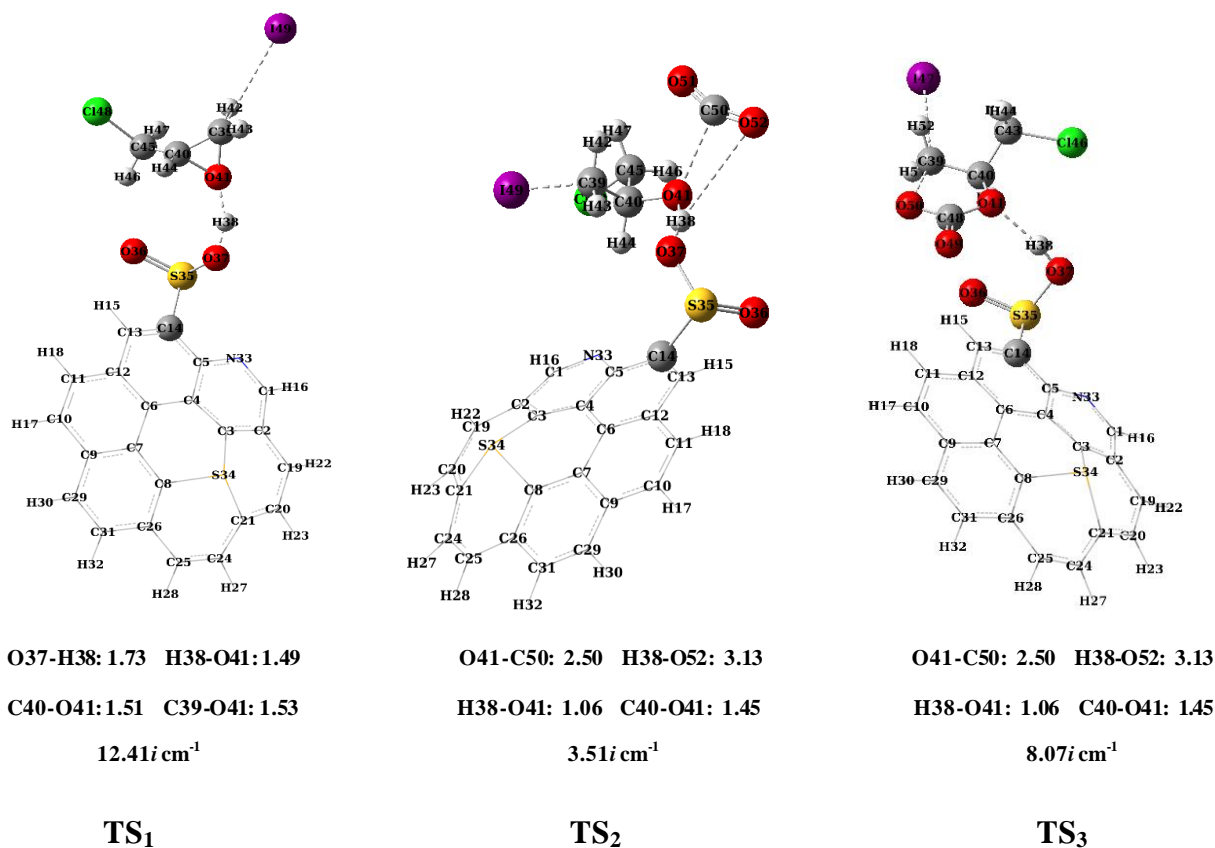


**E = -2327.1972985682 au**

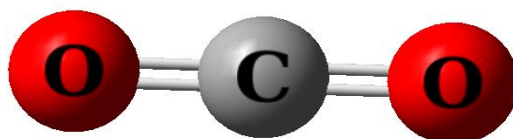
C	-5.56139	2.31844	-0.96177
C	-5.93475	1.00546	-0.67361
C	-4.29668	2.86621	-0.88518
S	-4.80757	-0.20493	-0.21300
C	-3.17552	2.05748	-0.46580
C	-3.25787	0.67906	-0.19270
C	-1.88813	2.61832	-0.35469
C	-0.82172	1.83392	0.07964
C	-0.86184	0.42627	0.10560
C	-2.13596	-0.14341	-0.07453
S	0.68589	2.74701	0.34146
C	0.30638	-0.40987	0.25423
N	-2.25628	-1.53793	-0.29726
N	-1.64601	3.93041	-0.82214
C	-4.32243	-1.36271	-1.51040
C	-4.01454	4.26110	-1.13244
C	-3.15675	-1.98094	-1.25977
C	-1.13533	-2.36296	0.00975
C	1.54856	0.15588	0.47023
C	-2.77167	4.75641	-1.10069
C	-0.48100	4.15756	-1.55158
C	0.68059	3.54497	-1.27608
C	1.85468	1.51011	0.57090
H	-0.59941	4.83211	-2.39536
H	1.59255	3.61724	-1.85172
H	-6.96116	0.70240	-0.53420
H	-6.38188	2.99044	-1.21019
H	2.79184	1.87704	0.96051
H	2.37765	-0.52445	0.66074
H	-4.84134	4.93690	-1.32883
H	-2.82803	-2.84946	-1.82580
H	-2.53357	5.80051	-1.25509
C	0.06966	-1.83415	0.26158
H	-1.35208	-3.42231	0.04552
H	-5.01113	-1.60583	-2.30837
H	0.89056	-2.50149	0.50601
O	-2.11673	2.70218	-3.40746

C	-2.60743	1.72667	-4.30788
C	-1.46512	1.43661	-3.43350
H	-2.43130	1.93638	-5.36245
C	-3.97257	1.19825	-3.96389
H	-1.62522	0.81168	-2.55500
H	-0.45591	1.44437	-3.83746
H	-4.02646	0.92382	-2.90965
Cl	-4.31269	-0.27542	-4.93653
H	-4.75555	1.92334	-4.18740

**Fig. S53** Optimized geometry, total energy, and Cartesian coordinates of 13(g) at M06-2X level of theory with 6-31G(d, p) basis set.



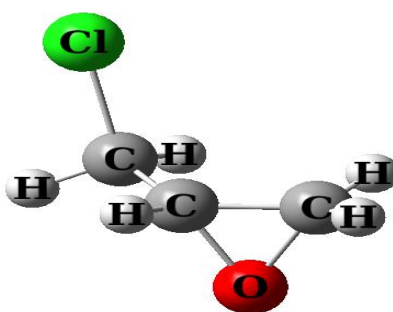
**Fig. S54** Optimized ground state energy structures of the transition states TS<sub>1</sub>, TS<sub>2</sub>, and TS<sub>3</sub> in the CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition with the epichlorohydrin and NSC-773 catalyst including the most relevant calculated distances (in Å) and values of the negative imaginary vibrational frequencies.



$$E = -188.540119 \text{ au}$$

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
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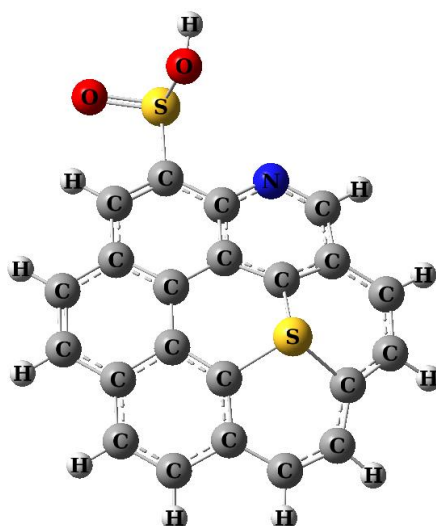
**Fig. S55** The optimized geometry, energy, and Cartesian coordinates of CO<sub>2</sub> molecule at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



$$E = -207.412805 \text{ au}$$

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	0.778159	-0.109640	0.477579
2	6	0	1.651918	0.895198	-0.190322
3	8	0	2.138322	-0.519528	-0.022025
4	1	0	0.694175	-0.089638	1.562039
5	1	0	2.177191	1.630533	0.413795
6	1	0	1.443397	1.182664	-1.218818
7	6	0	-0.358777	-0.764175	-0.260828
8	1	0	-0.574895	-1.767099	0.108435
9	1	0	-0.197211	-0.773831	-1.339092
10	17	0	-1.945708	0.226194	0.028898

**Fig. S56** The optimized geometry, energy, and Cartesian coordinates of epichlorohydrin molecule at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



### NSC-773 catalyst

**E= -1070.017239 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.268604 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.288132  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.289076  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.222038

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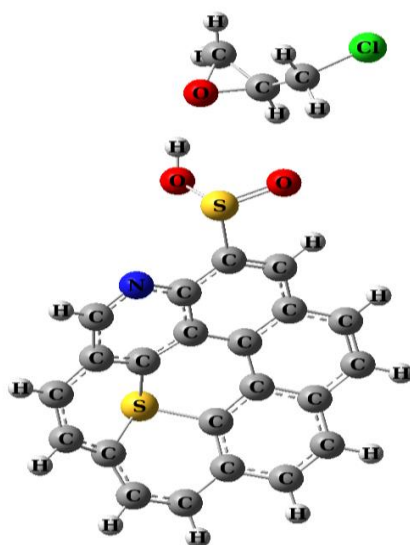
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3	6	0	-0.434860	-1.393333	0.288772
4	6	0	0.506770	-0.354286	0.170615
5	6	0	1.841144	-0.791906	-0.128277
6	6	0	0.195920	1.058384	0.244727
7	6	0	-1.178352	1.524706	0.214014
8	6	0	-2.305622	0.679416	0.327946
9	6	0	-1.451413	2.912058	-0.044074
10	6	0	-0.356653	3.837129	-0.093492
11	6	0	0.951232	3.402086	0.005552
12	6	0	1.254586	2.001420	0.108648
13	6	0	2.606243	1.542344	-0.032985
14	6	0	2.866505	0.198417	-0.162754
15	1	0	3.432575	2.247110	-0.100947
16	1	0	1.433008	-4.027405	-0.712726
17	1	0	-0.574183	4.892854	-0.237280
18	1	0	1.774389	4.108917	-0.056957
19	6	0	-1.295734	-3.668316	-0.314882
20	6	0	-2.643382	-3.285151	-0.410502

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21	6	0	-3.193224	-2.033283	-0.062834
22	1	0	-1.026235	-4.684955	-0.584716
23	1	0	-3.342982	-4.003378	-0.840109
24	6	0	-4.403989	-1.367377	-0.364017
25	6	0	-4.659008	0.002351	-0.224164
26	6	0	-3.627406	1.004297	-0.029012
27	1	0	-5.194637	-1.989549	-0.784925
28	1	0	-5.656479	0.362769	-0.457708
29	6	0	-2.808880	3.316064	-0.262464
30	1	0	-3.011760	4.369257	-0.443213
31	6	0	-3.849665	2.399283	-0.302538
32	1	0	-4.857185	2.724534	-0.550460
33	7	0	2.139855	-2.113303	-0.393840
34	16	0	-2.067591	-1.007680	1.045449
35	16	0	4.630814	-0.342856	-0.433622
36	8	0	5.415822	1.084137	-0.613984
37	8	0	4.792952	-0.812263	1.358264
38	1	0	5.667704	-1.255910	1.484849

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**Fig. S57** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of modelled NSC-773 catalyst at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



**NSC-773 catalyst + ECH**

**E = -1277.450469 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.347787 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.374040  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.374984  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.288906

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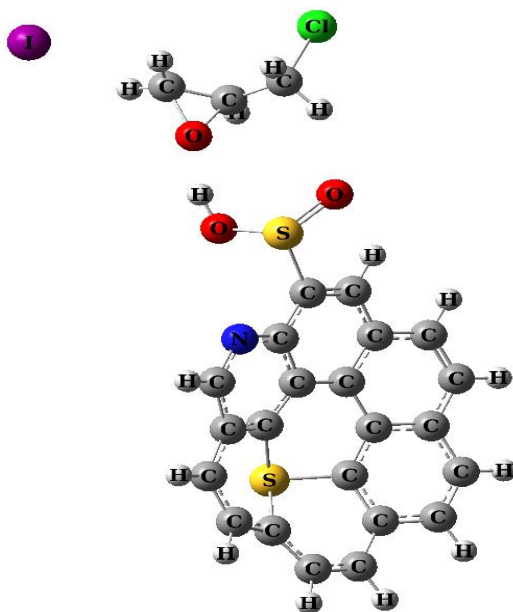
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4	6	0	-1.225769	-0.473527	0.031621
5	6	0	0.005338	-1.084768	-0.384505
6	6	0	-1.327316	0.965967	0.153273
7	6	0	-2.620264	1.620130	0.243179
8	6	0	-3.842658	0.937441	0.437832
9	6	0	-2.714636	3.038209	0.028885
10	6	0	-1.507711	3.802330	-0.098581
11	6	0	-0.270624	3.186595	-0.114544
12	6	0	-0.160242	1.755139	-0.055746
13	6	0	1.097853	1.114936	-0.313369
14	6	0	1.155417	-0.247901	-0.483956
15	1	0	2.006959	1.698660	-0.442321
16	1	0	-0.901992	-4.213452	-0.987307
17	1	0	-1.584877	4.881387	-0.209530
18	1	0	0.636131	3.773250	-0.236364
19	6	0	-3.511774	-3.489220	-0.354273
20	6	0	-4.795227	-2.920068	-0.330268
21	6	0	-5.133600	-1.613737	0.081844
22	1	0	-3.410839	-4.525638	-0.661924
23	1	0	-5.621435	-3.522130	-0.710789
24	6	0	-6.258205	-0.777478	-0.106783
25	6	0	-6.305011	0.610362	0.074505
26	6	0	-5.129909	1.452982	0.197383
27	1	0	-7.160208	-1.271708	-0.469510
28	1	0	-7.257126	1.112534	-0.069460
29	6	0	-4.014577	3.633197	-0.069675
30	1	0	-4.080619	4.708761	-0.217693
31	6	0	-5.174261	2.872007	-0.035966
32	1	0	-6.142426	3.341069	-0.194103
33	7	0	0.091098	-2.426717	-0.696736
34	16	0	-3.787825	-0.784676	1.107033
35	16	0	2.802851	-1.027382	-0.902733
36	8	0	3.764036	0.302879	-1.114111
37	8	0	3.084116	-1.564762	0.811185
38	1	0	4.067771	-1.766374	0.912341
39	6	0	6.828543	-1.076567	1.737670
40	6	0	6.189110	-0.155957	0.757249
41	8	0	5.774160	-1.614287	0.800866
42	1	0	7.823912	-1.467013	1.540595
43	1	0	6.525966	-1.040713	2.780976
44	1	0	5.408354	0.516235	1.100432
45	6	0	6.860046	0.240409	-0.528812
46	1	0	6.122578	0.539194	-1.272290



47	1	0	7.534774	-0.530195	-0.903032
48	17	0	7.937150	1.763974	-0.201424

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**Fig. S58** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of NSC-773 catalyst with epichlorohydrin (ECH) at B3LYP level of theory using lan12dz basis set.



**NSC-773 catalyst + ECH + I (Int<sub>0</sub>)**

**E = -1288.938566 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.347258 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.376105  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.377049  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.279842

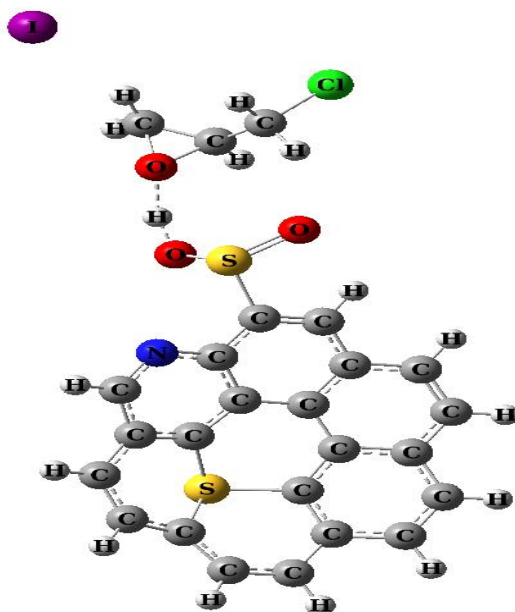
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5	6	0	1.641406	-0.300221	1.050791
6	6	0	3.212417	0.892363	-0.495899
7	6	0	4.557318	1.062787	-1.015755
8	6	0	5.539767	0.045990	-1.024039
9	6	0	4.983800	2.356856	-1.474982
10	6	0	4.016099	3.411893	-1.568958

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11	6	0	2.716343	3.229397	-1.137347
12	6	0	2.306510	1.991484	-0.531785
13	6	0	1.036096	1.891216	0.124412
14	6	0	0.738024	0.791545	0.895271
15	1	0	0.311627	2.702355	0.079271
16	1	0	2.008516	-3.040620	2.878329
17	1	0	4.332609	4.373534	-1.966939
18	1	0	1.996107	4.041565	-1.192202
19	6	0	4.498269	-3.404513	1.688262
20	6	0	5.828818	-3.285608	1.263058
21	6	0	6.326639	-2.401596	0.276883
22	1	0	4.256663	-4.159145	2.431127
23	1	0	6.577463	-3.901071	1.764114
24	6	0	7.609419	-1.914301	-0.055642
25	6	0	7.899230	-0.790222	-0.843524
26	6	0	6.925914	0.227132	-1.192128
27	1	0	8.449221	-2.451791	0.387256
28	1	0	8.941926	-0.564267	-1.047987
29	6	0	6.364940	2.546985	-1.804741
30	1	0	6.678942	3.524543	-2.165011
31	6	0	7.308672	1.544518	-1.627801
32	1	0	8.362069	1.743711	-1.811287
33	7	0	1.360387	-1.320362	1.938376
34	16	0	4.982119	-1.706761	-0.842081
35	16	0	-0.914292	0.758606	1.779514
36	8	0	-1.452776	2.301500	1.516901
37	8	0	-1.651906	-0.280835	0.500614
38	1	0	-2.651261	-0.341322	0.688856
39	6	0	-5.618177	0.104919	0.856794
40	6	0	-4.760891	1.300450	0.629925
41	8	0	-4.135802	0.060218	1.231968
42	1	0	-6.266595	0.075091	1.729255
43	1	0	-5.921401	-0.534647	0.027454
44	1	0	-4.424825	1.504949	-0.383776
45	6	0	-4.706544	2.464631	1.584533
46	1	0	-3.700119	2.881929	1.638191
47	1	0	-5.087721	2.204129	2.572715
48	17	0	-5.825531	3.859993	0.951469
49	53	0	-8.025006	-1.845272	-1.412113

**Fig. S59** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of NSC-773 catalyst + ECH+ I<sup>-</sup> (Int<sub>0</sub>) at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



**TS<sub>1</sub>**

**E = -1288.938918 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.347117 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.375140  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.376084  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.281706

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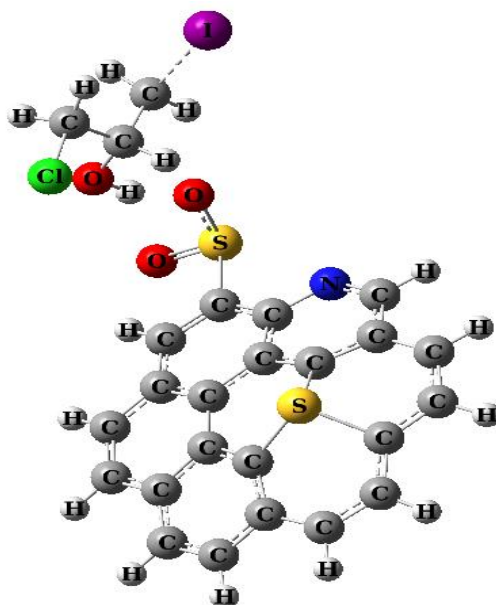
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5	6	0	1.768915	0.586116	-0.805881
6	6	0	3.408680	-0.936723	0.323768
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8	6	0	5.791014	-0.257358	0.848655
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10	6	0	4.211828	-3.640645	0.759566
11	6	0	2.891112	-3.351146	0.475409
12	6	0	2.475957	-2.005249	0.186218
13	6	0	1.166801	-1.747273	-0.336850
14	6	0	0.847416	-0.501323	-0.825510
15	1	0	0.424740	-2.539609	-0.417728
16	1	0	2.087908	3.654621	-2.017309
17	1	0	4.527413	-4.670251	0.913339
18	1	0	2.153571	-4.146341	0.404098
19	6	0	4.664087	3.716277	-0.965285

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20	6	0	6.017084	3.489682	-0.676402
21	6	0	6.556631	2.405233	0.054839
22	1	0	4.393628	4.617634	-1.507610
23	1	0	6.746545	4.189501	-1.086829
24	6	0	7.844508	1.839646	0.176887
25	6	0	8.155553	0.566757	0.678310
26	6	0	7.179683	-0.489172	0.869377
27	1	0	8.666722	2.449318	-0.200710
28	1	0	9.202917	0.287534	0.749928
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30	1	0	6.905166	-3.916055	1.117393
31	6	0	7.553380	-1.874931	0.978593
32	1	0	8.610754	-2.123386	1.035127
33	7	0	1.456555	1.779621	-1.426890
34	16	0	5.273644	1.500190	1.093084
35	16	0	-0.859743	-0.256487	-1.560652
36	8	0	-1.424008	-1.811943	-1.593284
37	8	0	-1.484832	0.491764	-0.040085
38	1	0	-2.500103	0.562258	-0.124189
39	6	0	-5.427289	0.092017	0.079226
40	6	0	-4.559656	-1.097039	-0.144027
41	8	0	-4.032982	0.266895	-0.532835
42	1	0	-6.244115	0.329836	-0.594849
43	1	0	-5.538435	0.511287	1.073740
44	1	0	-4.038595	-1.529471	0.707406
45	6	0	-4.700181	-2.005922	-1.337381
46	1	0	-3.719697	-2.311289	-1.706326
47	1	0	-5.319444	-1.570717	-2.121865
48	17	0	-5.575496	-3.602624	-0.809665
49	53	0	-8.840948	1.335906	0.940831

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**Fig. S60** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of TS<sub>1</sub> at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



**Int<sub>1</sub>**

**E = -1288.963486 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.347524 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.375643  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.376587  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.282090

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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
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3	6	0	-2.339211	-1.318477	-0.572143
4	6	0	-1.928465	0.022306	-0.700587
5	6	0	-0.832144	0.232939	-1.614982
6	6	0	-2.580326	1.143653	-0.059619
7	6	0	-3.872545	0.999863	0.588806
8	6	0	-4.494453	-0.241688	0.856004
9	6	0	-4.639443	2.171010	0.917327
10	6	0	-4.036853	3.462015	0.749203
11	6	0	-2.778741	3.594226	0.193214
12	6	0	-2.052973	2.447661	-0.281912
13	6	0	-0.862674	2.613276	-1.063667
14	6	0	-0.286059	1.548907	-1.717093
15	1	0	-0.409478	3.593254	-1.223452
16	1	0	-0.508356	-2.759607	-3.012198
17	1	0	-4.602283	4.342392	1.048171
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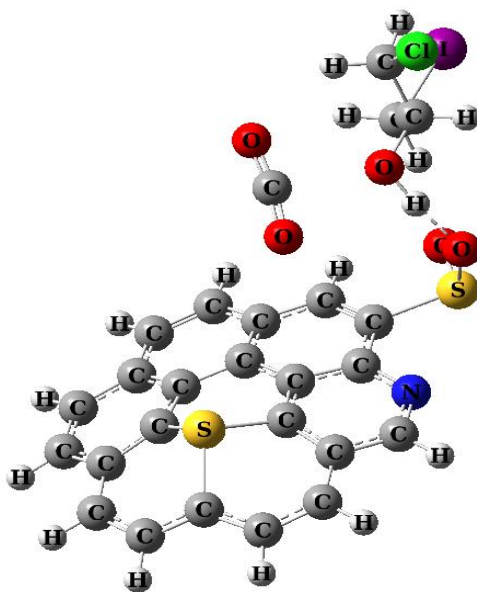
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23	1	0	-4.479486	-4.726172	-1.220602
24	6	0	-5.926998	-2.854181	0.428217
25	6	0	-6.488725	-1.749317	1.085742
26	6	0	-5.851909	-0.447739	1.168631
27	1	0	-6.590613	-3.681393	0.170577
28	1	0	-7.531715	-1.806937	1.385045
29	6	0	-5.983351	2.002406	1.384085
30	1	0	-6.553507	2.892864	1.642609
31	6	0	-6.585833	0.753928	1.463329
32	1	0	-7.633095	0.665820	1.744635
33	7	0	-0.334911	-0.798732	-2.390733
34	16	0	-3.438918	-1.758344	0.843328
35	16	0	1.308492	1.919279	-2.725875
36	8	0	1.238775	3.589689	-2.697163
37	8	0	2.450575	1.367537	-1.588305
38	1	0	2.724234	1.830663	-0.188930
39	6	0	4.903551	0.522695	-0.002478
40	6	0	3.802699	0.664438	1.075349
41	8	0	3.131582	1.900177	0.768612
42	1	0	5.660000	1.307299	0.071716
43	1	0	4.435595	0.511714	-0.989877
44	1	0	3.128442	-0.202831	1.013224
45	6	0	4.391703	0.775880	2.477645
46	1	0	4.798700	1.775402	2.639303
47	1	0	5.120104	-0.006844	2.691345
48	17	0	3.065694	0.561842	3.817388
49	53	0	6.067004	-1.402013	0.092530

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**Fig. S61** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of

Int<sub>1</sub> at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



**Int<sub>2</sub>**

**E = -1477.520563 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.359364 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.391343  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.392288  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.289749

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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-2.688514	3.162184	1.464802
2	6	0	-3.760772	2.607395	0.674131
3	6	0	-3.480584	1.323875	0.186601
4	6	0	-2.390377	0.525524	0.580182
5	6	0	-1.373497	1.221558	1.327106
6	6	0	-2.299602	-0.901848	0.362627
7	6	0	-3.445365	-1.675273	-0.082564
8	6	0	-4.651509	-1.108436	-0.555695
9	6	0	-3.423950	-3.108908	0.027370
10	6	0	-2.205479	-3.754385	0.422010
11	6	0	-1.092765	-3.017213	0.781348
12	6	0	-1.135588	-1.581020	0.819288
13	6	0	-0.056764	-0.835109	1.400869
14	6	0	-0.176317	0.511400	1.649783
15	1	0	0.873202	-1.316932	1.704517
16	1	0	-2.798910	4.166202	1.872069
17	1	0	-2.180088	-4.841699	0.455899
18	1	0	-0.179090	-3.512999	1.099492
19	6	0	-5.048915	3.254013	0.510849
20	6	0	-6.205300	2.571127	0.116553
21	6	0	-6.272246	1.267185	-0.433750

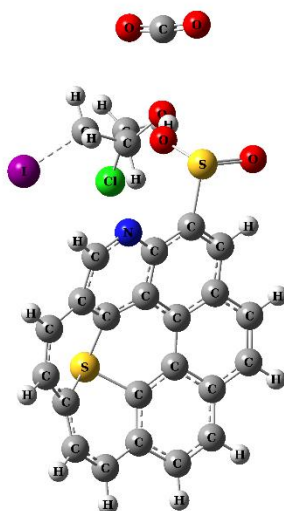
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24	6	0	-7.303103	0.314705	-0.584633
25	6	0	-7.145063	-1.055981	-0.841072
26	6	0	-5.889186	-1.766668	-0.688962
27	1	0	-8.318206	0.689545	-0.442876
28	1	0	-8.039126	-1.658859	-0.974715
29	6	0	-4.628222	-3.835933	-0.245435
30	1	0	-4.601470	-4.921607	-0.172199
31	6	0	-5.823699	-3.196827	-0.544652
32	1	0	-6.738679	-3.772362	-0.667968
33	7	0	-1.547939	2.529770	1.736154
34	16	0	-4.623305	0.657483	-1.099363
35	16	0	1.340242	1.414040	2.399653
36	8	0	2.342473	0.080219	2.617308
37	8	0	1.855515	2.272253	1.019083
38	1	0	2.244923	1.528120	-0.146697
39	6	0	4.160528	-0.506219	0.087356
40	6	0	4.044637	0.752297	-0.804202
41	8	0	2.627376	0.973074	-0.967944
42	1	0	3.779144	-1.397808	-0.416893
43	1	0	3.665226	-0.343382	1.053334
44	1	0	4.512982	1.603905	-0.291765
45	6	0	4.687024	0.542776	-2.173376
46	1	0	4.074241	-0.107743	-2.797238
47	1	0	5.715744	0.190443	-2.098527
48	17	0	4.815660	2.172196	-3.140814
49	53	0	6.276344	-1.049785	0.641023
50	6	0	0.963410	-0.089030	-2.458738
51	8	0	0.052572	0.521896	-1.989139
52	8	0	1.747357	-0.785478	-3.037814

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**Fig. S62** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of Int<sub>2</sub> at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.





## TS<sub>2</sub>

**E = -1477.510231 au**

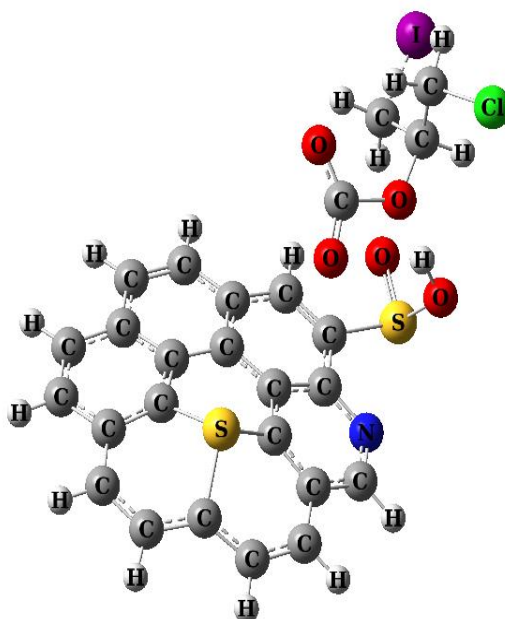
Zero-point correction = 0.358643 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.390175  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.391119  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.288420

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-1.491904	-0.605232	-3.288170
2	6	0	-2.518335	-1.186235	-2.455910
3	6	0	-2.578172	-0.618725	-1.175783
4	6	0	-1.902083	0.548823	-0.772741
5	6	0	-0.879819	0.999908	-1.685346
6	6	0	-2.231838	1.321094	0.405674
7	6	0	-3.456142	1.081023	1.150378
8	6	0	-4.301897	-0.034549	0.951314
9	6	0	-3.917514	2.059653	2.097374
10	6	0	-3.070734	3.175188	2.407925
11	6	0	-1.873346	3.367247	1.745509
12	6	0	-1.460478	2.484310	0.688610
13	6	0	-0.343368	2.820710	-0.145326
14	6	0	-0.076054	2.114357	-1.295105
15	1	0	0.290128	3.685134	0.061373
16	1	0	-1.342313	-1.000125	-4.292086
17	1	0	-3.402238	3.884901	3.163218
18	1	0	-1.246926	4.226744	1.970202

19	6	0	-3.473097	-2.166761	-2.934121
20	6	0	-4.690154	-2.427763	-2.293106
21	6	0	-5.065614	-2.017637	-0.990539
22	1	0	-3.308487	-2.579320	-3.925560
23	1	0	-5.455336	-2.965448	-2.855542
24	6	0	-6.298819	-1.897541	-0.313456
25	6	0	-6.543016	-1.161793	0.855897
26	6	0	-5.635388	-0.161058	1.385815
27	1	0	-7.146787	-2.399543	-0.782400
28	1	0	-7.539950	-1.199536	1.286425
29	6	0	-5.214780	1.891053	2.681483
30	1	0	-5.552026	2.628840	3.407194
31	6	0	-6.061301	0.854830	2.311064
32	1	0	-7.070754	0.799428	2.712973
33	7	0	-0.692064	0.391791	-2.913311
34	16	0	-3.604452	-1.504886	0.075778
35	16	0	1.448904	2.681067	-2.320471
36	8	0	1.751725	4.125570	-1.539027
37	8	0	2.551970	1.489788	-1.784410
38	1	0	3.457527	1.545514	-0.678522
39	6	0	3.692783	-1.020726	-0.253366
40	6	0	3.594912	0.106273	0.790219
41	8	0	4.118001	1.285187	0.114956
42	1	0	4.731527	-1.220786	-0.521698
43	1	0	3.102044	-0.748154	-1.129945
44	1	0	2.547259	0.264162	1.079974
45	6	0	4.468869	-0.051530	2.043990
46	1	0	4.777519	0.937869	2.378814
47	1	0	5.326772	-0.707127	1.895113
48	17	0	3.528718	-0.778465	3.528195
49	53	0	2.877659	-3.011141	0.355699
50	6	0	6.538050	1.542392	-0.536156
51	8	0	6.870631	0.478378	-0.093120
52	8	0	6.382246	2.621896	-1.017070

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**Fig. S63** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of TS<sub>2</sub> at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



### Int<sub>3</sub>

**E = -1477.522949 au**

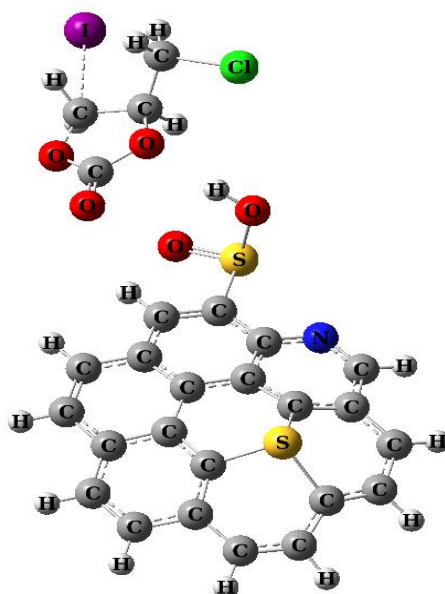
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 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.391946  
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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-2.606380	-3.144661	-1.442082
2	6	0	-3.632513	-2.584536	-0.598503
3	6	0	-3.336323	-1.289804	-0.148369
4	6	0	-2.277261	-0.492671	-0.614586
5	6	0	-1.305811	-1.195752	-1.404053
6	6	0	-2.178852	0.937351	-0.425333
7	6	0	-3.297997	1.710295	0.077447
8	6	0	-4.470081	1.142228	0.628716
9	6	0	-3.288561	3.141997	-0.048762
10	6	0	-2.096589	3.787420	-0.516369
11	6	0	-1.001941	3.049774	-0.925832
12	6	0	-1.044572	1.614579	-0.945351
13	6	0	0.009842	0.864285	-1.565765
14	6	0	-0.127203	-0.484225	-1.781317
15	1	0	0.924623	1.351693	-1.897895
16	1	0	-2.732336	-4.154795	-1.828447
17	1	0	-2.075225	4.874415	-0.557793
18	1	0	-0.103899	3.545324	-1.285641

19	6	0	-4.904260	-3.235518	-0.349576
20	6	0	-6.038650	-2.550253	0.101804
21	6	0	-6.077832	-1.238469	0.634579
22	1	0	-5.018154	-4.257644	-0.699641
23	1	0	-7.005272	-3.047052	0.002350
24	6	0	-7.105420	-0.291060	0.836213
25	6	0	-6.940920	1.083189	1.065011
26	6	0	-5.699517	1.797196	0.828210
27	1	0	-8.124620	-0.674280	0.762522
28	1	0	-7.828155	1.683484	1.247046
29	6	0	-4.478261	3.867407	0.286012
30	1	0	-4.460811	4.952397	0.201607
31	6	0	-5.650134	3.225868	0.662360
32	1	0	-6.559025	3.798556	0.834621
33	7	0	-1.487410	-2.507088	-1.787303
34	16	0	-4.396831	-0.614350	1.197758
35	16	0	1.303989	-1.407908	-2.601657
36	8	0	2.396576	-0.164874	-2.767025
37	8	0	1.809743	-2.422732	-1.250590
38	1	0	1.944106	-1.882067	-0.357036
39	6	0	3.935560	0.626631	0.097634
40	6	0	3.769164	-0.719108	0.836691
41	8	0	2.342685	-1.048915	0.807173
42	1	0	3.528467	1.459617	0.669352
43	1	0	3.502678	0.549546	-0.903915
44	1	0	4.250220	-1.509557	0.248929
45	6	0	4.343132	-0.714156	2.254860
46	1	0	3.694443	-0.180130	2.945024
47	1	0	5.365186	-0.335411	2.269841
48	17	0	4.488402	-2.482218	2.933919
49	53	0	6.070078	1.167650	-0.289558
50	6	0	1.280130	-0.190836	1.622179
51	8	0	0.140363	-0.657735	1.422806
52	8	0	1.798839	0.761866	2.262339

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**Fig. S64** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of Int<sub>3</sub> at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



TS<sub>3</sub>

**E = -1477.518657 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.363353 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.393531  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.394475  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.296392

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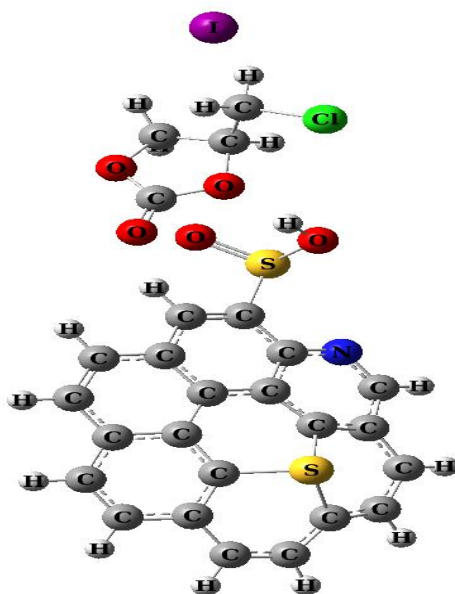
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3	6	0	-3.254927	-1.292199	-0.252826
4	6	0	-2.311834	-0.366024	-0.727459
5	6	0	-1.336005	-0.917398	-1.623636
6	6	0	-2.334685	1.051379	-0.442802
7	6	0	-3.480880	1.673680	0.188537
8	6	0	-4.546934	0.955706	0.779250
9	6	0	-3.616745	3.104141	0.165497
10	6	0	-2.530657	3.894512	-0.336236
11	6	0	-1.401842	3.298111	-0.865757
12	6	0	-1.306049	1.869929	-0.978681
13	6	0	-0.222427	1.266588	-1.701391
14	6	0	-0.248815	-0.072830	-2.005999
15	1	0	0.629324	1.856233	-2.037564
16	1	0	-2.518766	-3.958270	-2.189353
17	1	0	-2.617989	4.978526	-0.305261
18	1	0	-0.585379	3.904266	-1.250144
19	6	0	-4.642626	-3.365529	-0.490454
20	6	0	-5.796766	-2.828337	0.092280

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21	6	0	-5.916038	-1.565918	0.723221
22	1	0	-4.686883	-4.367857	-0.907016
23	1	0	-6.717392	-3.410678	0.026369
24	6	0	-7.010225	-0.742696	1.068425
25	6	0	-6.959112	0.622648	1.386400
26	6	0	-5.813156	1.470550	1.112985
27	1	0	-7.991100	-1.220244	1.039229
28	1	0	-7.881811	1.118011	1.675998
29	6	0	-4.840557	3.683781	0.634783
30	1	0	-4.933107	4.768204	0.627732
31	6	0	-5.912731	2.904851	1.047023
32	1	0	-6.855634	3.371151	1.324913
33	7	0	-1.426697	-2.207346	-2.099481
34	16	0	-4.262765	-0.818335	1.213070
35	16	0	1.212662	-0.780049	-2.975884
36	8	0	2.205661	0.545559	-3.011302
37	8	0	1.871913	-1.935502	-1.798638
38	1	0	1.937611	-1.565322	-0.847034
39	6	0	4.006148	0.837887	0.658154
40	6	0	3.710535	-0.645345	0.923957
41	8	0	2.291256	-0.921712	0.663071
42	1	0	4.240275	-1.257080	0.189801
43	6	0	4.110155	-1.040929	2.344680
44	1	0	3.399284	-0.667457	3.081724
45	1	0	5.129144	-0.721341	2.566175
46	17	0	4.136272	-2.917712	2.561220
47	53	0	6.420809	0.915554	0.043273
48	6	0	1.324059	0.023164	1.268320
49	8	0	0.196142	-0.496322	1.403697
50	8	0	1.829369	1.171332	1.514750
51	1	0	3.754826	1.224339	-0.318472
52	1	0	4.204552	1.514428	1.470311

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**Fig. S65** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of TS<sub>3</sub> at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



**NSC-773 catalyst + ECH carbonate + I<sup>-</sup> (FC)**

**E = -1477.529585 au**

Zero-point correction = 0.363714 (Hartree/Particle)  
 Thermal correction to Energy = 0.394589  
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy = 0.395533  
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy = 0.294726

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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-3.029693	-3.395518	-0.537567
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3	6	0	-4.243695	-1.495342	0.219744
4	6	0	-3.157540	-0.640503	-0.046206
5	6	0	-1.950718	-1.313662	-0.444366
6	6	0	-3.219704	0.805017	-0.020077
7	6	0	-4.489393	1.504202	0.056150
8	6	0	-5.727257	0.874277	0.319876
9	6	0	-4.545018	2.908755	-0.243831
10	6	0	-3.317373	3.626499	-0.436204
11	6	0	-2.100376	2.971892	-0.440592
12	6	0	-2.037474	1.542445	-0.307207
13	6	0	-0.806024	0.854068	-0.565439
14	6	0	-0.781343	-0.518867	-0.645579
15	1	0	0.100834	1.422603	-0.749586
16	1	0	-2.956760	-4.454684	-0.777941
17	1	0	-3.363109	4.700415	-0.602229
18	1	0	-1.172268	3.514149	-0.597194
19	6	0	-5.537816	-3.608539	-0.157312
20	6	0	-6.802761	-3.002180	-0.149738

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21	6	0	-7.095045	-1.657397	0.171798
22	1	0	-5.471684	-4.667760	-0.388025
23	1	0	-7.655048	-3.606468	-0.464176
24	6	0	-8.198915	-0.803382	-0.054164
25	6	0	-8.204821	0.595218	0.031915
26	6	0	-7.004210	1.410879	0.073803
27	1	0	-9.121646	-1.295683	-0.364626
28	1	0	-9.145849	1.113688	-0.128572
29	6	0	-5.829632	3.534173	-0.354683
30	1	0	-5.866786	4.600114	-0.569390
31	6	0	-7.011036	2.812599	-0.250615
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33	7	0	-1.911486	-2.678961	-0.649126
34	16	0	-5.702619	-0.799459	1.102858
35	16	0	0.849235	-1.377358	-1.046445
36	8	0	1.733924	-0.124985	-1.663281
37	8	0	1.414701	-1.599480	0.658840
38	1	0	1.914531	-0.775313	0.949336
39	6	0	4.760113	1.116813	-0.616556
40	6	0	4.479430	0.227952	0.622881
41	8	0	3.070441	0.621039	0.974423
42	1	0	5.764872	1.534092	-0.641329
43	1	0	4.527859	0.603760	-1.549600
44	1	0	4.463539	-0.832111	0.373036
45	6	0	5.419976	0.508566	1.783460
46	1	0	5.410579	1.556375	2.090911
47	1	0	6.426854	0.172808	1.513617
48	17	0	4.910716	-0.475194	3.314058
49	53	0	8.114731	-0.394345	-0.761911
50	6	0	2.746289	1.838424	0.355667
51	8	0	1.698176	2.447210	0.555403
52	8	0	3.770347	2.236240	-0.459459

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**Fig. S66** The optimized geometry, energy, thermal corrections, and Cartesian coordinates of NSC-773 catalyst + ECH carbonate + I<sup>-</sup> (FC) at B3LYP level of theory using lanl2dz basis set.



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