

Supplementary Information

Selective Esterification of Glycerol over Ionic Liquid Functionalized Cellulose (IMD-Si/HSO₄@Cellulose) under energy efficient microwave irradiation

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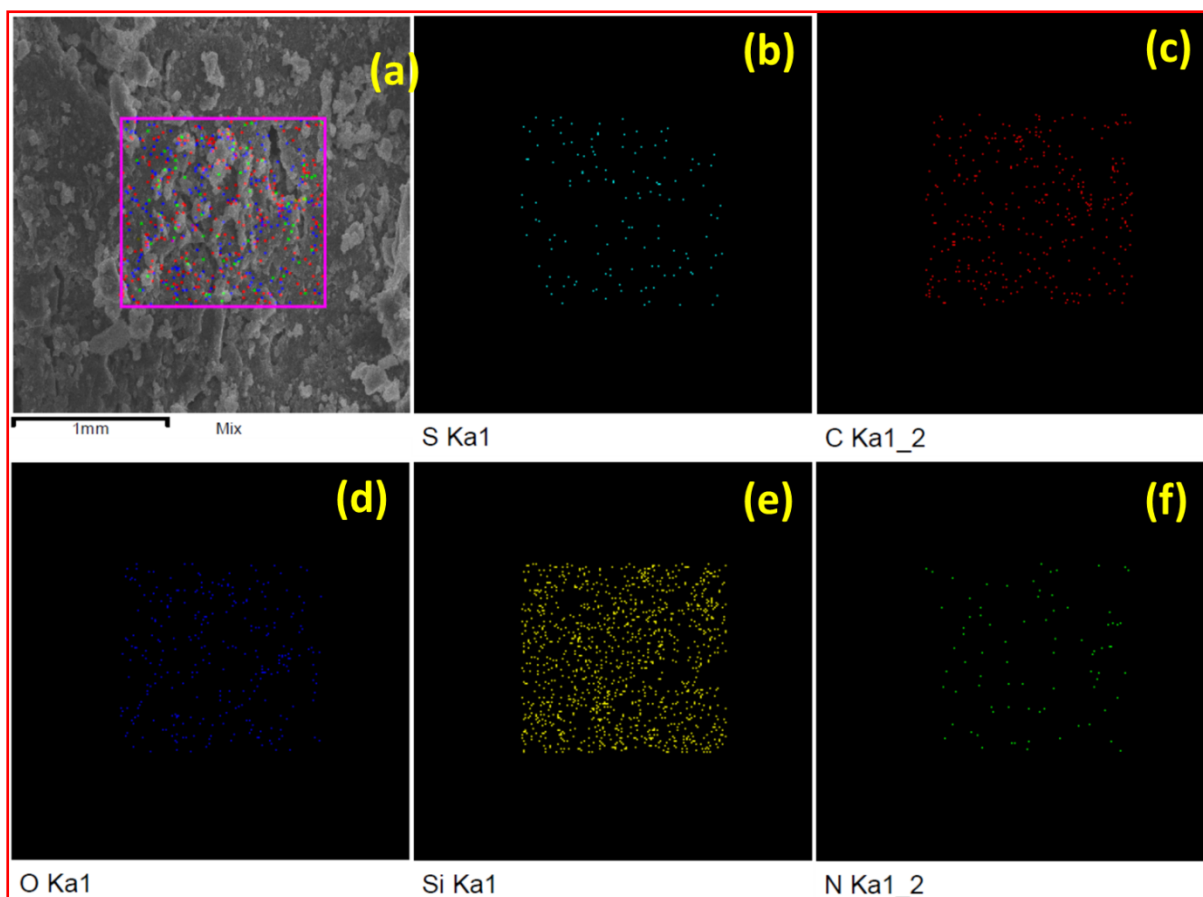


Figure S1: Elemental mapping images of (a) All elements of IMD-Si/HSO₄@Cellulose (b) Sulfur (c) Carbon (d) Oxygen (e) Silicon and (f) Nitrogen

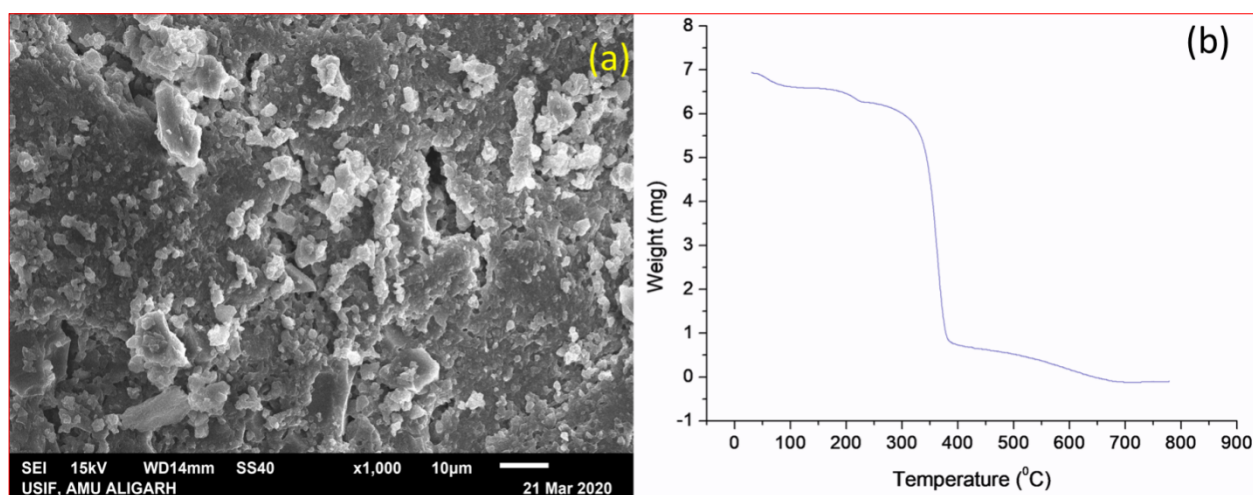


Figure S2: (a) SEM images of recycled catalyst and (b) TGA image of recycled catalyst

Table S1: Comparison of IMD-Si/HSO₄@Cellulose with other catalyst for acetylation of glycerol

Entry	Acetylation source	Catalyst	Mono-acetin (%)	Di-acetin (%)	Tri-acetin (%)	Glycerol conversion %	Time	Ref.
1#	Acetic acid	Amberlyst-35	NM	NM	34.8	100	4h	¹
2#	Acetic acid	WO ₃ -Ppy-20	5	25	70	98	10 h	²
3#	Acetic acid	A15	0	0	95.3	100	24 h	³
4#	Acetic acid	TAC-673	NM	NM	50	99.6	4 h	⁴
5#	Acetic acid	[H-NEP][HSO ₄]	23.4	55.2	21.3	99	30 min	⁵
6#	Acetic acid at scO ₂	Amberlyst 15 [®]	0	0	100	100	120 min	⁶
7#	Acetic anhydride and 1 ml H ₂ O	Fe-Sn-Ti(SO ₄ ²⁻)-400	0	1	99	100	30 min	⁷
*8	Acetic acid	IMD-Si/HSO₄@Cellulose	<1	<1	99	100	8 min	This work

NM = Not mentioned, #Thermal conditions, *In microwave heating conditions

Table S2: Recycling data of catalyst at high conversion level under microwave irradiation

Entry	No. of runs	Catalyst yield	Glycerol conversion	Selectivity of tri-acetin
1	First	98	100	99
2	Second	98	100	99
3	Third	97	100	98
4	Fourth	97	99	98
5	Fifth	97	99	98
6	Sixth	95	99	97

Table S3: Recycling data of catalyst at low conversion level under thermal heating conditions

Entry	No. of runs	Catalyst yield	Glycerol conversion	Selectivity of tri-acetin
1	First	97	55	61.53
2	Second	97	50	61.53
3	Third	95	50	55.55
4	Fourth	95	37.5	50.00
5	Fifth	93	32.5	45.45

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