Supporting information

MIL-47(V)-Derived Carbon-doped Vanadium Oxide for Selective Oxidation

of 5-Hydroxymethylfurfural to 2,5-Diformylfuran

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Theoretical results: Calculations were performed using spin-polarized Kohn-Sham density functional theory (DFT). We used the generalized gradient approximation with the Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof¹ exchange-correlation functional as implemented in the Vienna *ab initio* simulation package (VASP).^{2,3} The valence orbitals of V (3d, 4s), O (2s, 2p) and C (2s, 2p) were described by plane-wave basis sets with cutoff energies of 400 eV. The Gaussian smearing method with a width of 0.20 eV was used. According to the experimental characterization results, a unit cell of V₂O₅ with a space group of Pmmn was used to model the catalyst structure. Bulk optimization yielded lattice parameters of a =3.56 Å, b=11.51 Å, c=4.36 Å, which were in good agreement with the experimental values. The Brillouin zone was sampled at ($2 \times 2 \times 1$) and the Γ -point for the calculations. The convergence criteria for the energy and force were set to 10^{-4} eV and 0.03 eV/Å. The oxygen vacancy formation energies were calculated according to the equation, Ef(Vo)=E (defect)-(E_{V2O5} -µo), µo= 1/2 E(O₂, g).

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Fig. S1. SEM image of MIL-47 nanorods.



Fig. S2. HRTEM image of a single MIL-47 nanorod.



Fig. S3. HRTEM of C-V $_2O_5$ at different areas.



Fig. S4. The XPS spectra of MIL-47 and C-V $_2O_5$.

Species	Lines	Position (eV)	Area fraction (%)
V ⁵⁺	2p _{3/2}	517.4	34
	2p _{1/2}	524.8	17
V ⁴⁺	2p _{3/2}	516.7	16
	2p _{1/2}	523.9	8
V ³⁺	2p _{3/2}	515.7	16
	2p _{1/2}	523.1	8

Table S1. The area fraction of different V species in MIL-47.

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V ³⁺	2p _{3/2}	515.7	5
	2p _{1/2}	523.1	3

Table S2. The area fraction of different V species in $C-V_2O_5$.

Sample	Element	Atomic F. (%)
	С	60.68
MIL-47	0	26.04
	V	13.29
	С	42.09
C-V ₂ O ₅	0	35.56
	V	22.35

Table S3. The semi-quantitative analysis of XPS.



Fig. S5. Solvent screening of MIL-47 nanorods to HMF oxidation.



Fig. S6. The temperature-activity dependence using MIL-47 as the catalyst.



Fig. S7. Solvent screening of Carbon- V_2O_5 to HMF oxidation.



Fig. S8. The V 2p spectra of spent $C-V_2O_5$ sample.



Fig. S9. The HMF oxidation is catalyzed by $C-V_2O_5$ using air or oxygen gas as an oxidant.



Fig. S10. The HMF oxidation is catalyzed by different catalysts.



Fig. S11 The HMF oxidation is catalyzed by Catalysts calcined at different temperatures

Table S4.	Results of o	rganic element	analysis(EA).
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	N(%)	C(%)	H(%)
$C-V_2O_5$	0.05	0.23	0.101

Table S5. Analysis of metal elements in reaction solution .

	metal	Element concentration of
		test solution C_0 (mg/mL)
C-V ₂ O ₅	V	0.005481