

**Table S1.** Summary of PET depolymerization methods including reaction conditions, formed monomers, yields, and catalysts used.

Study	Year	Method	Code Method	Reaction temperature (°C)	Reaction pressure	Reaction time (min)	Product	Degradation yield	Product yield	Catalyst
B. Liu <sup>186</sup>	2018	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	190	Atm	1	BHET	100,0%	83,0%	Zn(OAc) <sub>2</sub>
S. Nica <sup>236</sup>	2018	Catalyzed aminolysis	CA	190	Atm	3	BHETA	100,0%	100,0%	M4HPP
V. Vinita <sup>205</sup>	2023	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	150	Atm	15	BHETA	90,0%	95,0%	Ag-doped ZnO nanoparticles
X L Wang <sup>169</sup>	2023	Mixed alcoholysis	MA	80		30	Terephthalic acid	95,0%	98,0%	
V. S. Palekar <sup>238</sup>	2012	Catalyzed aminolysis	CA	110	Atm	40	BHETA		89,0%	Hmim.TfO
S. Tang <sup>153</sup>	2022	Cosolvent alcoholysis	CoAL	200		30	DMT	99,0%	91,0%	MgO/NaY
D. S. Achilias <sup>233</sup>	2010	μWave assisted aminolysis	μW AA	250	4 - 10 bar	30	BHETA	100,0%	100,0%	
P. Lozano Martinez <sup>149</sup>	2021	Supercritical Alcoholysis	SCA	275	40 bar	30	TA/DMT/DMT/DET/EG	94,0%	94,0%	
Y. Yang <sup>144</sup>	2001	Supercritical Alcoholysis	SCA	250	11 MPa	40	DMT	95,0%	95,0%	
R. López-Fonseca <sup>189</sup>	2011	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	196	Atm	60	BHET		80,0%	sodium carbonate
H. W. Horn <sup>284</sup>	2012	Amidation / Transesterification	AT	110	Atm	120	BAETA		89,0%	1,5,7-triazabicyclododecene (TBD)
R. M. Musale <sup>237</sup>	2016	Catalyzed aminolysis	CA	170	Atm	90	BHETA		97,0%	Choline chloride. 2 ZnCl <sub>2</sub>
Y. Yang <sup>150</sup>	2023	Supercritical Alcoholysis	SCA	270	8 Mpa	60	DET		92,0%	ZnO/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
L. R. Zhang <sup>84</sup>	2013	Neutral hydrolysis	NH	145		120	TPA	100,0%	93,0%	[(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> N(C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>33</sub> )] <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>
S. Mishra <sup>90</sup>	2003	Acidic Hydrolysis	ACH	120	Atm	140	TPA	87,0%	87,0%	HNO <sub>3</sub>
S. Kumagai <sup>117</sup>	2018	Alkaline Hydrolysis	ALH	180		120	TPA	100,0%	100,0%	NaOH
S. Lalhmangaihzuala <sup>286</sup>	2020	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	190	Atm	90	BHET		79,0%	orange peel ash
D. Stanica-Ezeanu <sup>81</sup>	2021	Neutral hydrolysis	NH	205	3-3.3 MPa	120	TA ou TPA ou TGA	87,5%	96,0%	marine water
L. Liu <sup>82</sup>	2005	Neutral hydrolysis	NH	220	15-20 bar	120	TA ou TPA ou TGA	100,0%	100,0%	
F. Quartinello <sup>262</sup>	2017	Mixed chemical/enzymatic hydrolysis	MCEH	250	40 bars	90			85,0%	
M. Imran <sup>201</sup>	2011	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	300	1,1 Mpa	80	BHET		90,0%	Mn <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /Silica nanoparticles
D. Lei <sup>192</sup>	2022	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	220		90	BHET	92,5%	70,4%	SnCl <sub>2</sub>
L. Liu <sup>199</sup>	2022	Ionic liquid-based catalysts-assisted glycolysis	ILG	193,5		125	BHET	100,0%	84,5%	[Ch][Gly]
Z. Guo <sup>206</sup>	2018	Heterogeneous catalysts-assisted glycolysis	HCG	240		120	BHET		82,0%	Perkalite F100®
Y. Peng <sup>98</sup>	2023	Acidic Hydrolysis	ACH	280		120	TPA + EG diacetate		94,0%	AcOH
B. Yan <sup>136</sup>	2023	Alkaline Hydrolysis	ALH	150		240	TPA	100,0%	100,0%	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> / Banana peel extract
Z. Chen <sup>191</sup>	2023	Metal salts and organocatalysts-assisted glycolysis	MSG	250		150	BHET	89,2%	99,7%	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>
S.L. Fávoro <sup>267</sup>	2012	Supercritical Alcoholysis	SCA	255	11,65 Mpa	120	DET		80,0%	
W Yang <sup>79</sup>	2021	Neutral hydrolysis	NH	220		180	TPA	100,0%	95,0%	TPA
T. Yoshioka <sup>92</sup>	1994	Acidic Hydrolysis	ACH	150		300	TPA	96,0%	95,0%	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>
Y. S. Parab <sup>241</sup>	2012	Catalyzed aminolysis	CA	170	Atm	240	BHETA		86,0%	beta zeolite or montmorillonite KSF
V. Tournier <sup>261</sup>	2020	PET engineered enzyme hydrolysis	EH	72	Atm	600	TPA		90,0%	computer aided modified LCC
N. G. Bush <sup>198</sup>	2023	Ionic liquid-based catalysts-assisted glycolysis	ILG	180		240	BHET	100,0%	50,0%	GdCl <sub>3</sub> 6H <sub>2</sub> O/[emim]OAc
S. R. Shukla <sup>231</sup>	2006	Catalyzed aminolysis	CA	170	Atm	480	BHETA		91,0%	Na acetate
S. Liu <sup>156,157</sup>	2013	Ionic liquid-based catalysts-assisted alcoholysis	ILA	205	Atm	480	DBTP	100,0%	95,0%	Bronsted-Lewis acidic ionic liquid
A. Peterson <sup>115</sup>	2022	Alkaline Hydrolysis	ALH	90	Atm	1000	TPA	100,0%	80,0%	NaOH
P. McKeown <sup>164</sup>	2020	Cosolvent alcoholysis	CoAL	100		960	DMT		72,0%	[NMe <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>+</sup> [OCO <sub>2</sub> Me] <sup>-</sup>
C. N. Onwucha <sup>75</sup>	2023	Neutral hydrolysis	NH	200		1440	TPA		98,0%	