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Efficient photoelectrocatalytic radical dichlorination of alkenes via synergism

with Mn

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1. Materials and synthesis of photoanodes:

Fluorine-doped tin oxide substrates (FTO, 2.2 mm) were purchased from Nippon Plate Glass Co., Ltd. Iron (III) chloride anhydrous (FeCl_3) (98%), titanium (IV) butoxide (97%) and manganese chloridewas (98%) purchased from Alfa Aesar. Ammonium oxalate monohydrate (98%) was purchased from Macklin. Sodium tungstate dihydrate (97%), sodium chloride (99.9%), styrene (99%), tetraethylammonium tetrafluoroborate (Net_4BF_4 , 98%) and acetonitrile (99.9%, extra dry with molecular sieves, Water \leq 50 ppm) were purchased from Innochem. Concentrated hydrochloric acid (HCl, 37 wt%) was purchased from Sinopharm. All chemicals were used as received without further purification.

Photoanodes preparation:

Three photoanodes were all prepared on fluorine-doped tin oxide substrates (FTO). FTO needed to be cleaned with acetone, ethanol and deionized water by ultrasonication for 30 min prior to preparation.

Preparation of TiO_2 Photoanodes:

The TiO_2 photoanode was synthesized using the hydrothermal method reported previously.¹

The 15 mL concentrated HCl (37 wt %) was added to 25 mL ultra-pure water slowly with stirring. After sufficient stirring for 15 min, 1 mL of titanium (IV) butoxide was slowly added dropwise and continued stirring for 30 min. 7.2 mL of mixed precursor solution and the processed FTO were transferred to the 20 mL Teflon-lined autoclave and heated at 150 °C for 6 h. Getting TiO_2 nanowires.

The obtained TiO_2 was rinsed with ultra-pure water, and placed in the muffle furnace to anneal for 1.5 h at 450 °C under air atmosphere for to improve the crystallinity of the TiO_2 nanorods and enhance the contact with the FTO substrate.

Preparation of WO_3 Photoanodes:

WO_3 was synthesized using the method reported.²

Sputtering a 1 nm tungsten metal layer onto the conductive side of FTO and placed in a muffle furnace and annealed for 2 h at 500 °C in an air atmosphere.

0.206 g of $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ was dissolved into 30 mL of ultra-pure water, with string 10 min. And 1.5 mL of concentrated HCl (37 wt%) was followed added, stirring for 30 min until the yellow precipitate appeared. Quickly added 0.8 g $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ and continue stirring until the solution became clear. Then the solution was diluted to 70 mL with ultra-pure water. 8 mL of mixed precursor solution and the processed FTO were transferred to the 25 mL Teflon-lined autoclave and heated at 160 °C for 6 h. Getting WO_3 nanosheet.

The obtained WO_3 was rinsed with ultra-pure water, then placed in the muffle furnace to anneal for 2 h at 500 °C under air atmosphere and cooled to room temperature.

Preparation of $\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ Photoanodes:

The $\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ photoanode was also synthesized using the hydrothermal method reported previously.³

The 100 μL concentrated HCl (37 wt %) was added to 100 mL ultra-pure water. The solution was added in 0.85 g NaNO_3 , 2.43 g FeCl_3 . The solution was sealed and then stirred magnetically for 10 min to dissolve all the solids. 7.5 mL of mixed precursor solution and the processed FTO were transferred to the 20 mL Teflon-lined autoclave and heated at 95 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 4 h, getting FeOOH nanowires.

The obtained light yellow FeOOH/FTO was rinsed with ultra-pure water, then placed in the muffle furnace to anneal for 2 h at 550 $^\circ\text{C}$ under air atmosphere and rose to 750 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 15 min, finally cooled to room temperature to get the $\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$.

2. Experimental methods

2.1 Physical characterization:

X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were collected on an X-ray diffractometer instrument (Empyrean, PANalytical) with $5^\circ/\text{min}$ over a 2θ value range from 20° to 80° . The surface morphology of samples was characterized by field emission scanning electron microscope (FESEM, Hitachi, 7500F). Ultraviolet-visible diffuse reflectance spectrums (UV-vis DRS) was carried out with a Hitachi U-3900 spectrometer. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was conducted on the Thermo Scientific ESCALab 250Xi spectrometer equipped with 300 W Al $K\alpha$ radiation. The hydrocarbon C 1s line at 284.8 eV from adventitious carbon is used for calibration.

2.2 PEC measurement:

PEC measurements were performed in a three-electrode electrochemical cell controlled by an electrochemical workstation (CHI1040E), with Pt wire as the counter electrode and Ag/AgCl as the reference electrode. Under the H-type cell, nafion proton exchange membrane was used to separate the photoanode from the cathode chamber. Unless specifically labeled, the PEC experiments were conducted in a 10 mL solution. The test Solution was the 50% H_2O and 50% CH_3CN (V%) mixed solution with 0.1 M NaCl (pH = 6.4) as the electrolyte and the chlorine source. Under the undivided cell, experiments were conducted in a 4 mL solution of 2% H_2O and 98% CH_3CN (V %) mixed solution with 0.1 M Net_4BF_4 as the electrolyte and the 4 eq HCl as chlorine source. The reactions products under the simulated sunlight (AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm^2) obtained by a Xenon lamp. The PEC experiments were performed with magnetic stirring at 900 rpm, and a water recycling system was used to prevent the solution from heating up during reactions.

2.3 Electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) measurements:

5,5-dimethyl-1-pyrroline N-oxide (DMPO) and N-tert-butyl- α -phenylnitrone (PBN) were used as the spin-trap reagent to capture potential radicals generated during the reaction process. The measurements were conducted in an open-type cell, which was based on the previously reported method.⁴

During the PEC process, use a pipette to add 20 μL DMPO/PBN into the solution on the surface of the photoanode. It was significant to note that the tip of the pipette needed to be closed to the photoanode, ensuring that formed radical species can be

captured as much as possible. Subsequently, the solution on the photoanode surface was immediately collected for EPR measurements.

2.4 Product analysis:

All products resulting from PEC reactions were subjected to analysis using GC-MS or NMR techniques to validate their identity. The GC-MS analyses were conducted utilizing an Agilent instrument equipped with an HP-5ms GC column and an electron ionization ion source, with a solvent delay time of 3 min. The chlorination products of toluene were quantified by GC. Measurements were run on an Agilent GC instrument with a DB-VRX GC column and FID detector. The chlorination products of styrene (**1a–3a**) were quantified by high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) equipped with a DAD detector. The chromatographic column was a C18 column with a mobile phase ratio of 30% H₂O, 70% CH₃CN (V%) and a detection wavelength of 225 nm. In the substrate development experiments (**1-18**), the chlorinated products were extracted with ethyl acetate and concentrated by spinning instruments, and then quantified by NMR with 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as the internal standard substrate.

The value of chlorination product selectivity and Faradaic efficiency (FE) are calculated by the following equations:

$$Selectivity = \frac{\text{content of corresponding product}}{\text{consumption of reactant}} \times 100\% ;$$

$$Faradaic\ efficiency(FE) = \frac{2nF}{Q} \times 100\% \quad (\text{where } n \text{ was the number of electrons}$$

transferred by the chlorination reaction, F is the Faraday constant, and Q denoted the quantity of electric charge of reaction process.);

$$Yield\ rate = \frac{\text{the productivity of products}}{t \times A} \quad (\text{where } t \text{ was the reaction time, and}$$

A was the area of photoanode (2 cm²)).

3. Other supporting figures and tables

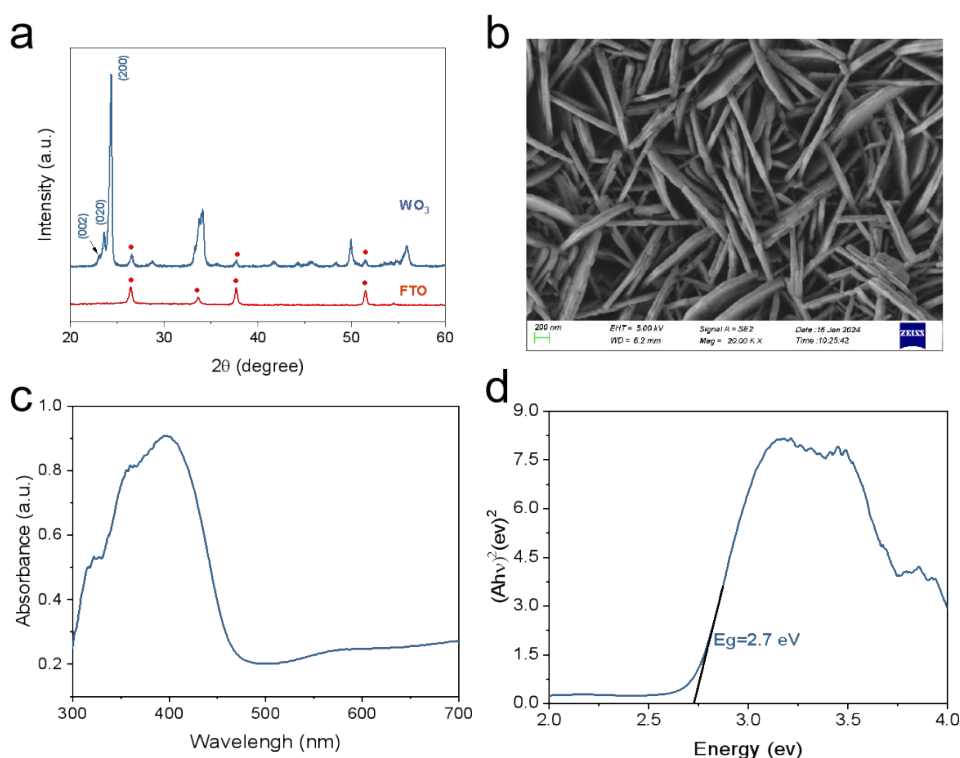


Figure S1. Structural characterizations of WO₃. (a) XRD patterns, (b) SEM image of an WO₃ photoanode. (c) UV-vis spectrum and (d) the corresponding Tauc plot of an WO₃ photoanodes.

The XRD pattern (Figure S1a) of the as-prepared photoanode was well matched to the monoclinic WO₃ (PDF# 43-1035). The diffraction peaks at $2\theta = 23.1^\circ$, 23.6° and 24.4° were assigned to the (002), (020), and (200) peaks respectively.^{5, 6} The SEM image (Figure S1b) indicated that the as-prepared WO₃ film consisted of numerous nanoflakes. The UV-vis DRS (Figure S1c) evaluated the light absorption of as-prepared photoanode, and the corresponding Tauc plot (Figure S1d) was obtained with an optical band gap of 2.7 eV. These results illustrated the successful preparation of WO₃ photoanode.⁷

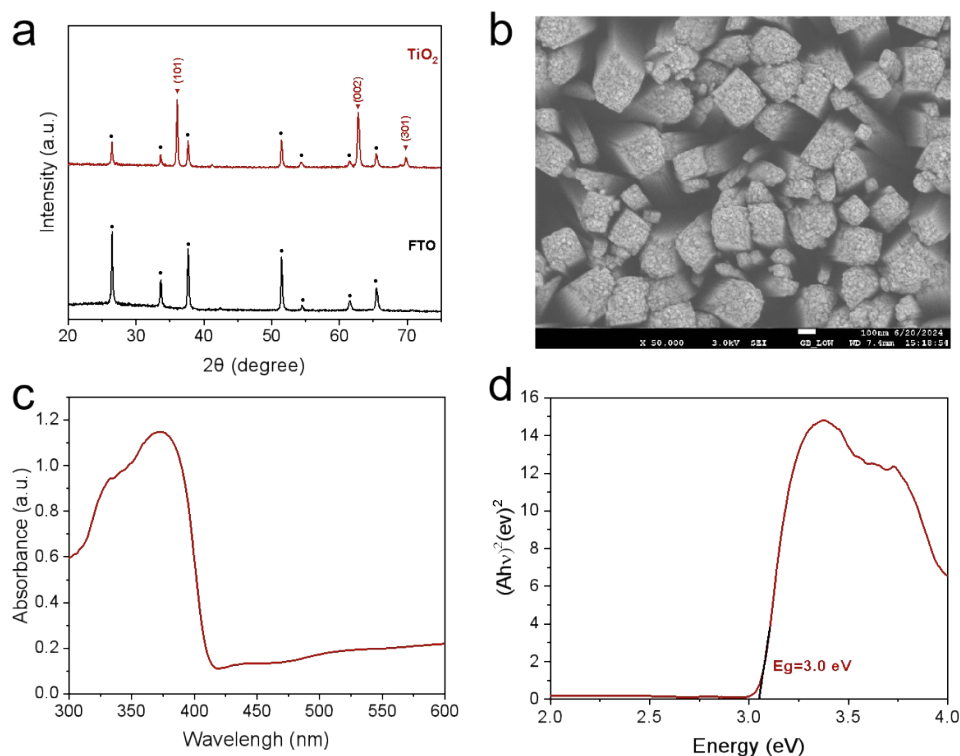


Figure S2. Structural characterizations of TiO₂. (a) XRD patterns, (b) SEM image of an TiO₂ photoanode. (c) UV-vis spectrum and (d) the corresponding Tauc plot of an TiO₂ photoanodes.

The XRD (Figure S2a) confirmed that the as-prepared photoanode exhibited a strong resemblance to the rutile phase of TiO₂ (PDF# 21-1276).⁸ The characteristic diffraction peaks observed at $2\theta=36.5^\circ$, 63.3° , and 70.3° respectively corresponded to the (101), (002), and (301) crystal plane. The SEM imaging (Figure S2b) revealed the presence of numerous nanorod within the TiO₂ film. The UV-vis DRS (Figure S2c) assessed the light absorption properties of the photoanode. The resulting Tauc plot (Figure S2d) analysis yielded an optical band gap value of 3.0 eV. These findings validated the effective preparation of the TiO₂ photoanode.^{9, 10}

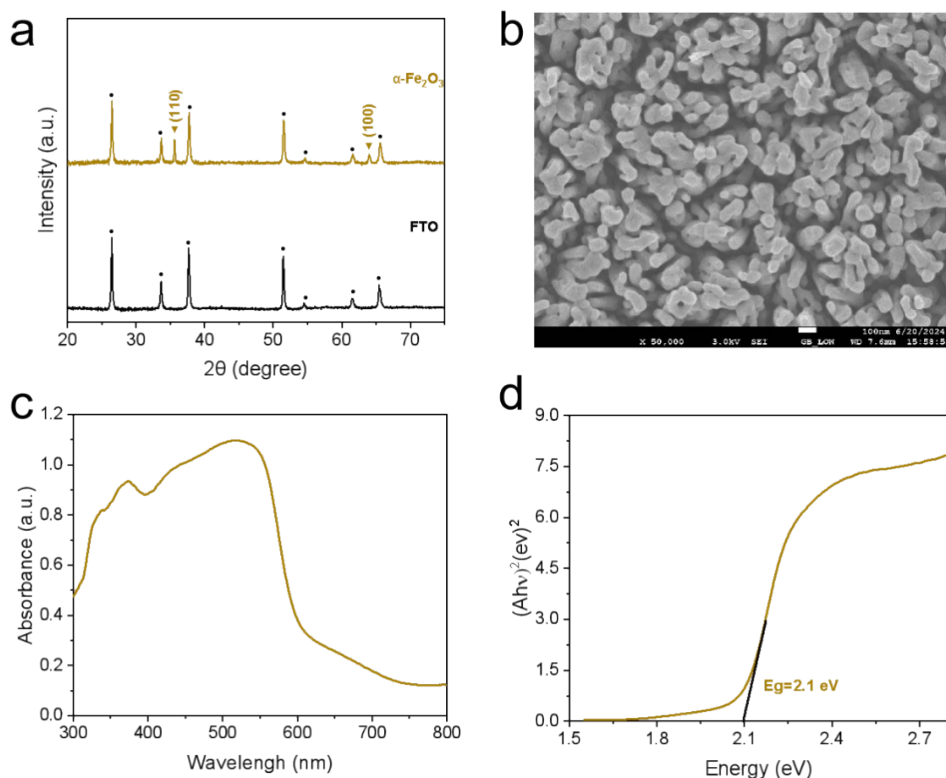


Figure S3. Structural characterizations of α -Fe₂O₃. (a) XRD patterns, (b) SEM image of an α -Fe₂O₃ photoanode. (c) UV-vis spectrum and (d) the corresponding Tauc plot of an α -Fe₂O₃ photoanodes.

The XRD analysis (Figure S3a) revealed a high degree of correspondence with the α -Fe₂O₃, indexed as PDF# 33-0664, characterized by prominent peaks at 2θ angles of 35.6° and 64.0° attributed to the (110) and (100) plane.³ The SEM micrograph (Figure S3b) depicted the film of nanorod. The UV-vis DRS (Figure S3c) showed the light absorption properties of the synthesized photoanode, resulting in a calculated optical bandgap of 2.1 eV (Figure S3d), substantiating the successful fabrication of the α -Fe₂O₃ photoelectrode.^{4, 11}

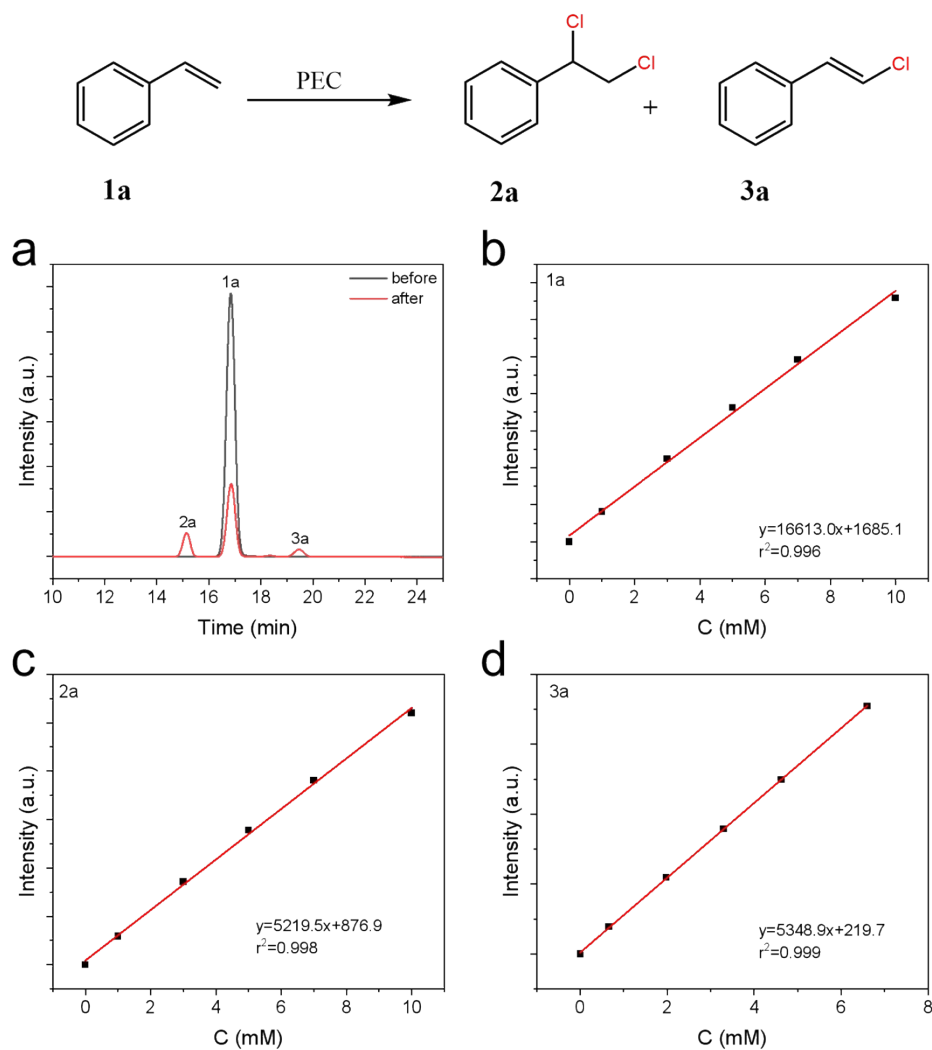


Figure S4. The quantification of alkene chlorination products. (a) HPLC spectra of styrene chlorination products. (b-d) The external standard curves of styrene and chlorination products. Measurements were run on an Agilent LC instrument with a C18 column and DAD detector. Detection wavelength was 225 nm and mobile phase ratio was 30% H₂O and 70% CH₃CN (V%).

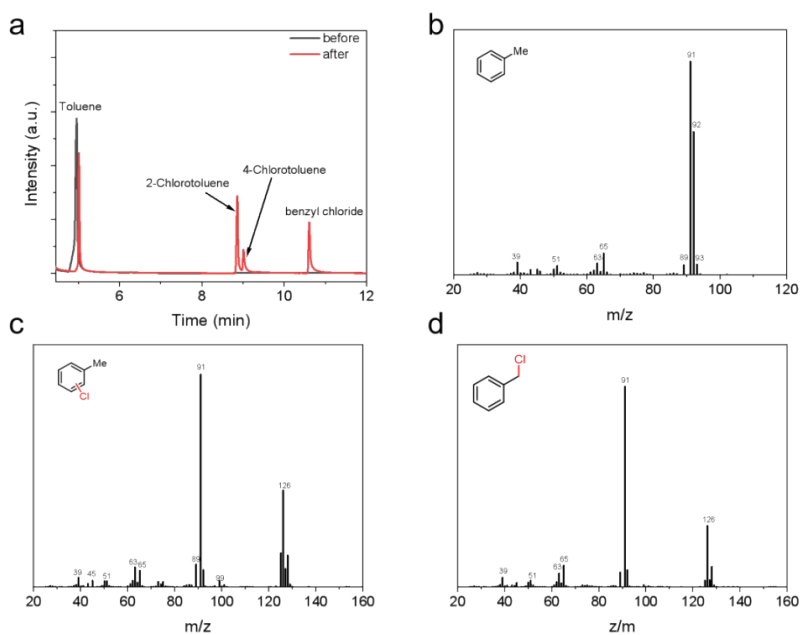


Figure S5. PEC chlorination experiment of toluene. (a) GC spectrum of the products. (b–d) The MS spectra of chlorination products. *The reaction performed under the undivided type cell with 4 mL solution (2% H₂O, 98% CH₃CN (V%)), including 0.1 M NaCl and 0.1 mmol toluene. The electrolysis potential was 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl. The electrolyte was bubbled with Ar gas flow for 10 min to remove air. The reaction was carried out for 2 h.

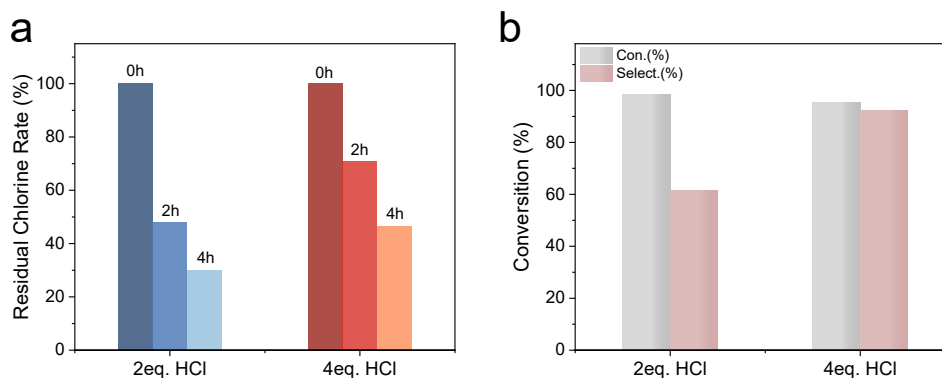


Figure S6. (a) The residual chlorine rate of Cl^- after 2 hours and 4 hours of reaction under different HCl concentration conditions using High Performance Ion Chromatography (HPIC). (b) The conversion rate of styrene and the selectivity for dichlorinated products after 4 hours of reaction under different hydrochloric acid concentration conditions.

We measured the chloride ion (Cl^-) concentration before and after the reaction using High Performance Ion Chromatography (HPIC) (Figure S6a). The results confirmed that under the condition of 2 eq. of HCl, a small amount of Cl^- would no longer be oxidized during later stages of the reaction. Figure S6b showed that under the condition of 2 eq. of HCl, the selectivity of the dichlorinated product decreased. We speculated that the low chloride ion concentration in the later reaction stage led to increased competitive adsorption of styrene on the electrode surface, which resulted in its direct oxidation and the formation of byproducts. However, under the condition of 4 eq. of HCl, after 4 hours of reaction, the consumption of Cl^- matched the theoretical value, and the selectivity of the dichlorinated product remained at a high level. Therefore, we believed that under the condition of 4 eq. of HCl, all the active chlorine generated was used for the dichlorination reaction. While byproducts such as Cl_2 might form during the reaction, but very minimal. The excess chloride ions were introduced specifically to prevent a drop in chloride concentration in the later phase of the reaction, thereby avoiding competitive adsorption of styrene and the consequent decline in dichlorinated product selectivity.

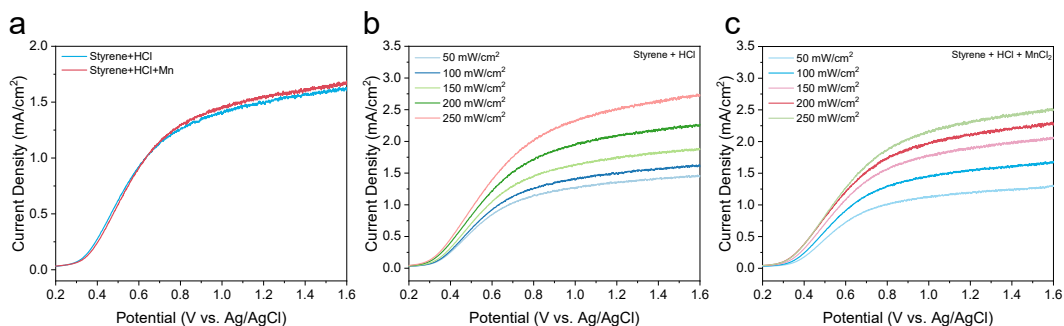


Figure S7. (a) The Linear Sweep Voltammetry (LSV) curves under simulated sunlight before and after the addition of Mn^{2+} . The LSV curves of dichlorination performance under different light intensities before (b) and after (c) the addition of Mn^{2+} .

The Linear Sweep Voltammetry (LSV) curves under different light intensities (Figure S7b, c) were found that the photocurrent gradually increased with the increase in light intensity. Additionally, the addition of MnCl_2 did not affect the photocurrent. (Figure S7a)

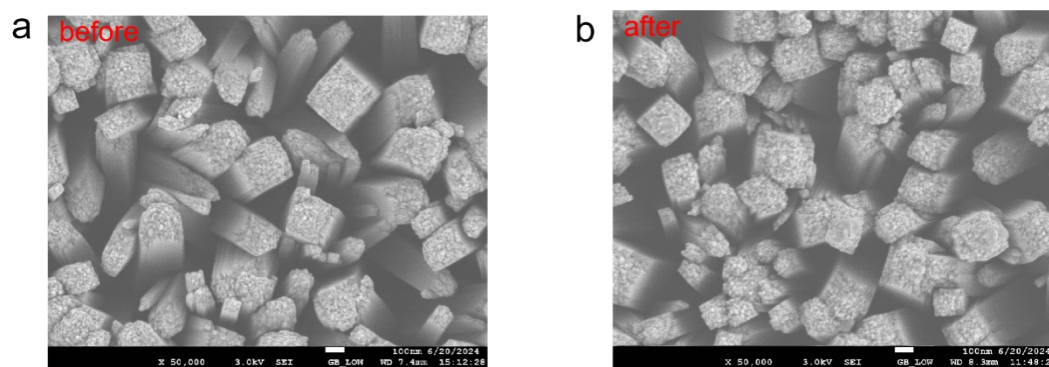


Figure S8. The SEM images of TiO_2 (a) before and (b) after the reaction.

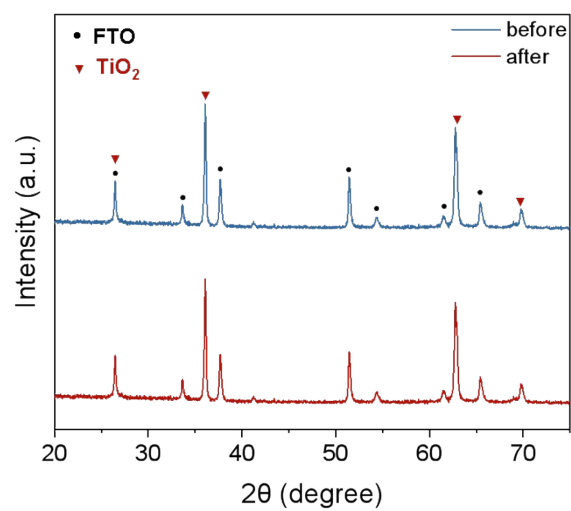


Figure S9. The XRD patterns of TiO₂ before and after the reactions.

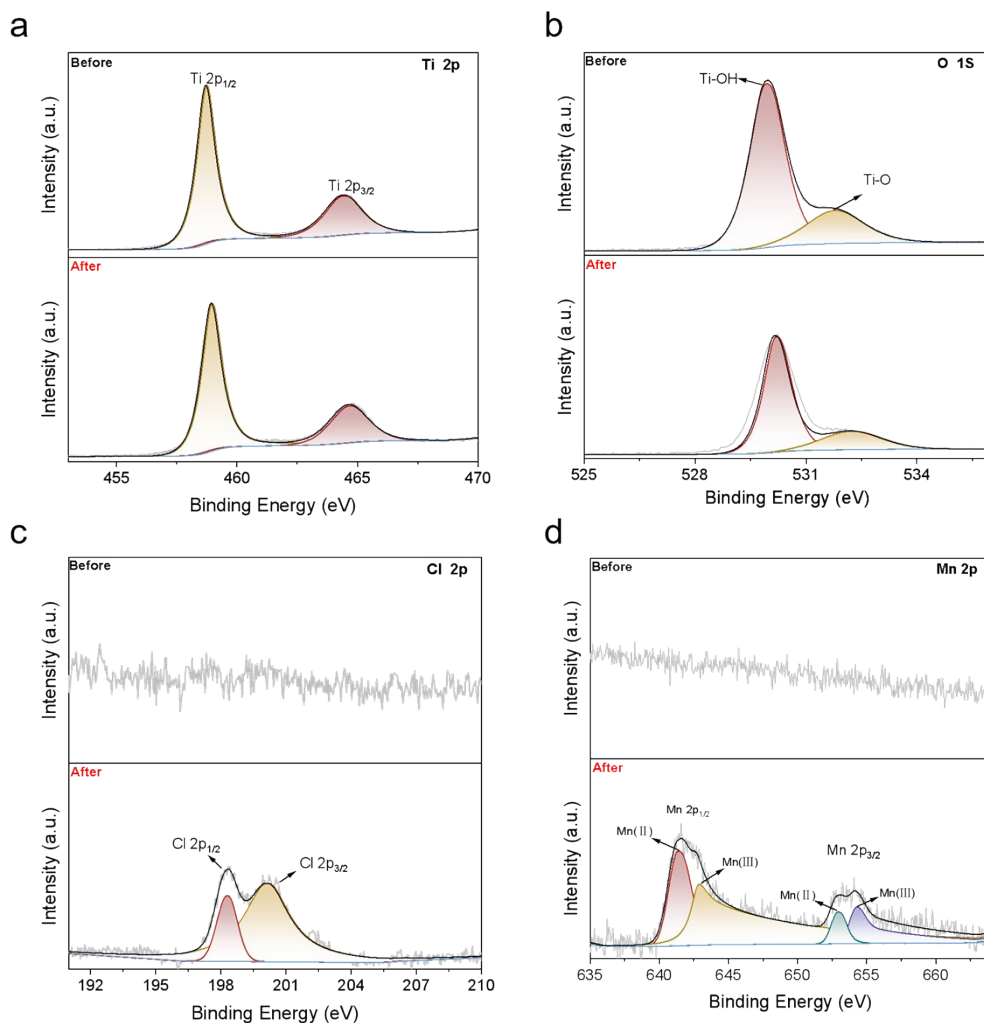


Figure S10. XPS characterizations of TiO₂ before and after the reaction. (a) XPS spectra of the Ti 2p core level and (b) the O 1s core level (c) the Cl 2p core level and (d) the Mn 2p core level.

The peaks centered at binding energies of 458.8 and 464.6 eV were attributed to Ti 2p_{3/2} and 2p_{1/2} (Figure S8a).^{8, 9} And the O 1s peaks were corresponded to 531.7 and 530.1 eV. The O 1s spectra center at 531.7 and 530.1 eV were correspond to adsorbed oxygen (Ti-OH) and lattice oxygen (Ti-O) (Figure S8b).¹² The XPS spectra and the peak position were consistent with the typical values for TiO₂. Meanwhile, there was no notable shift in peak position and binding energy of Ti 2p after six consecutive cycles of reaction. The peaks of O 1s exhibited a slight shift to lower binding energy after the reaction because of the absorption of Mn²⁺ and Cl⁻.¹³

The Cl 2p spectra (Figure S8c) were deconvoluted into Cl 2p_{3/2} and Cl 2p_{1/2} peaks, which are respectively centered 198.2 eV and 200.3 eV.^{14, 15} The peaks centered at 652.88 and 641.68 eV corresponding to Mn 2p_{1/2} and Mn 2p_{3/2}, respectively, matched the binding energy of Mn²⁺ signal (Figure S8d). Additionally, the additional peaks observed at 654.48 and 643.58 eV are associated with Mn³⁺.^{16, 17}

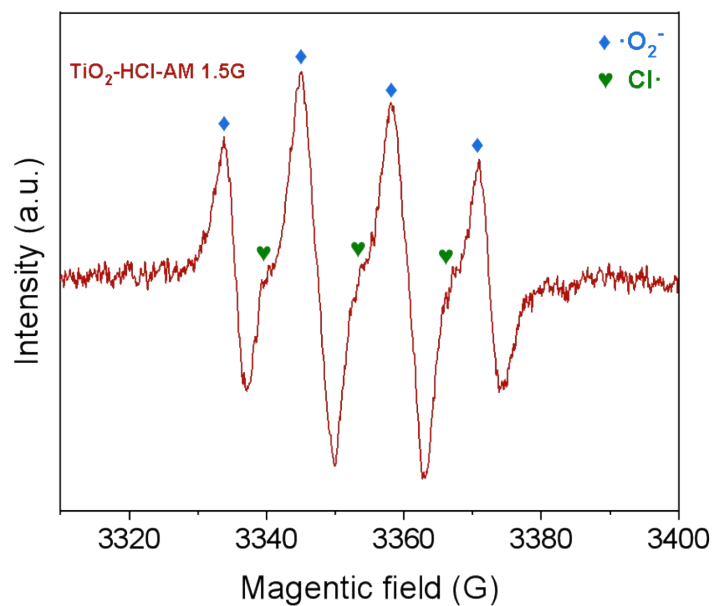


Figure S11. EPR spectra of the solution with Mn^{2+} obtained from an in-situ trapping method during PEC oxidation on TiO_2 over 3250 to 3450G magnetic field, using the addition of DMPO as radical capture reagent. *The reaction performed under the open-type cell with 5 mL solution (2% H_2O , 98% CH_3CN (V%)) for 120 s, including 0.1 M LiClO_4 , 0.1 mmol HCl , 10 μmol MnCl_2 and 20 mM DMPO as the radical capture reagent. The electrolysis potential was 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl .

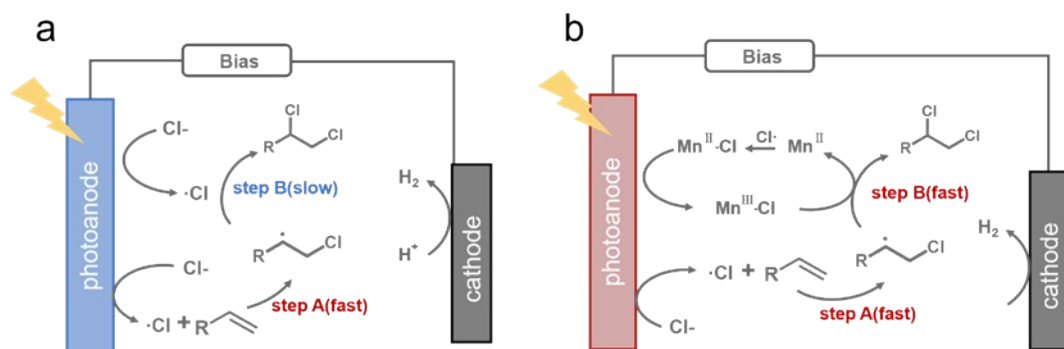
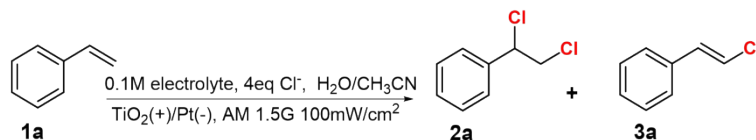


Figure S12. The comparative mechanism of the reaction pathways with (b) and without (a) Mn^{2+} .

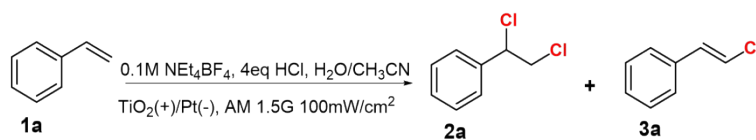
Table S1. Exploration of activities of alkene chlorination on TiO₂ photoanodes under different chlorine sources and various electrolytes.



Entry	Cl source	acid.	Electrolyte	Yield (%)	FE (%)
1	HCl (4 eq)		NEt ₄ BF ₄	70	72
2	HCl (4 eq)		NBu ₄ BF ₄	47	49
3	HCl (4 eq)		LiClO ₄	40	51
4	HCl (4 eq)		NMe ₄ BF ₄	47	45
5	HCl (4 eq)		NEt ₄ BF ₄	19	26
6	NaCl (4 eq)	--	NEt ₄ BF ₄	55	52
7	NaCl (4 eq)	HOAc	NEt ₄ BF ₄	36	38
8	LiCl (4 eq)	HOAc	NEt ₄ BF ₄	38	40
9	MgCl ₂ (2 eq)	HOAc	NEt ₄ BF ₄	37	37

*The reaction was performed in the undivided cell with 4 mL solution (2% H₂O, 98% CH₃CN (V%)), including 0.1 M electrolyte, 0.1 mmol styrene and 4 eq Cl⁻. The electrolyte was bubbled with Ar gas flow for 10 min to remove air. The reaction was carried out for 2 h. The Yields and FEs were determined with HPLC.

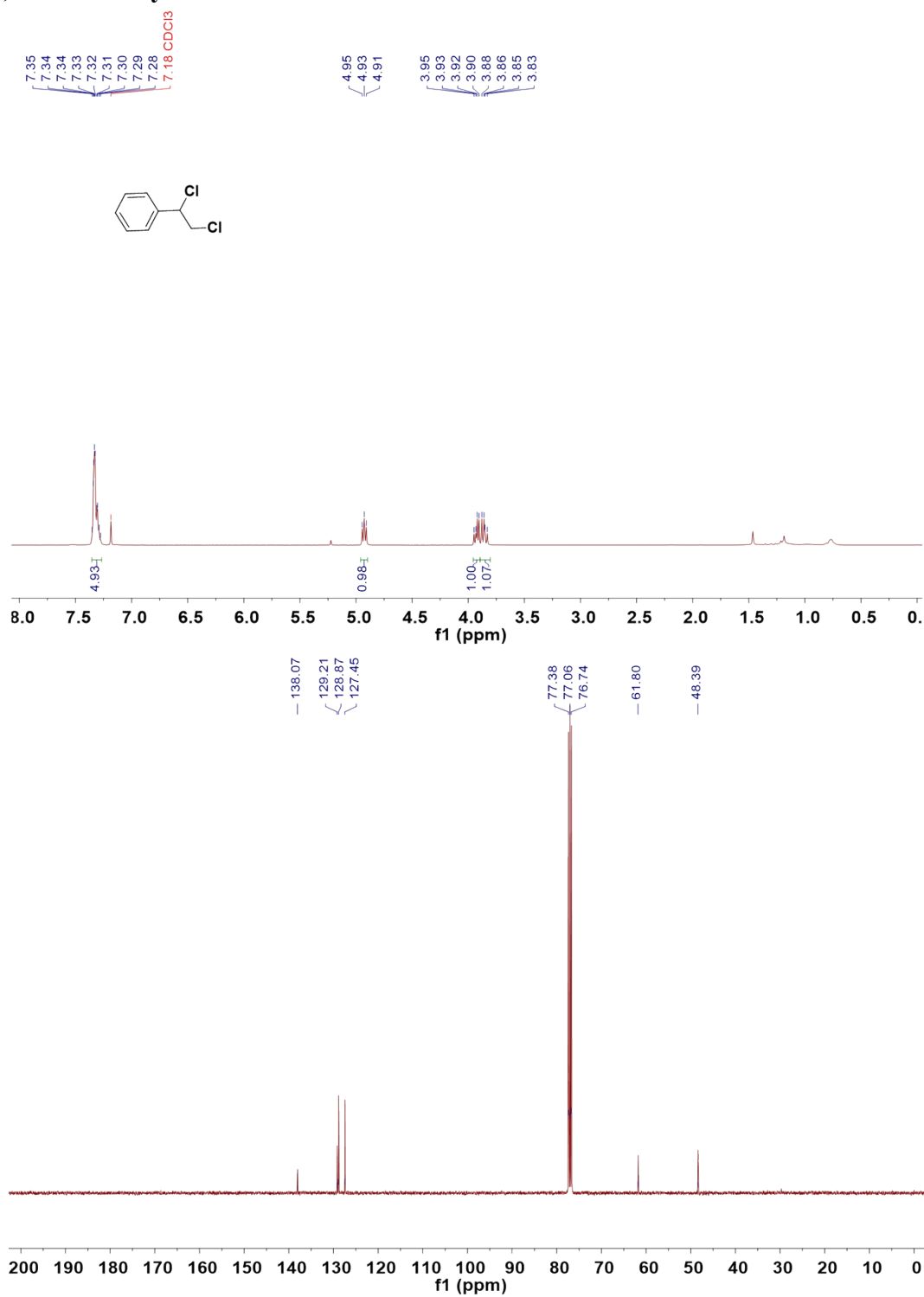
Table S2. Exploration of activities of alkene chlorination on TiO₂ photoanodes under varying water contents and applied potentials.

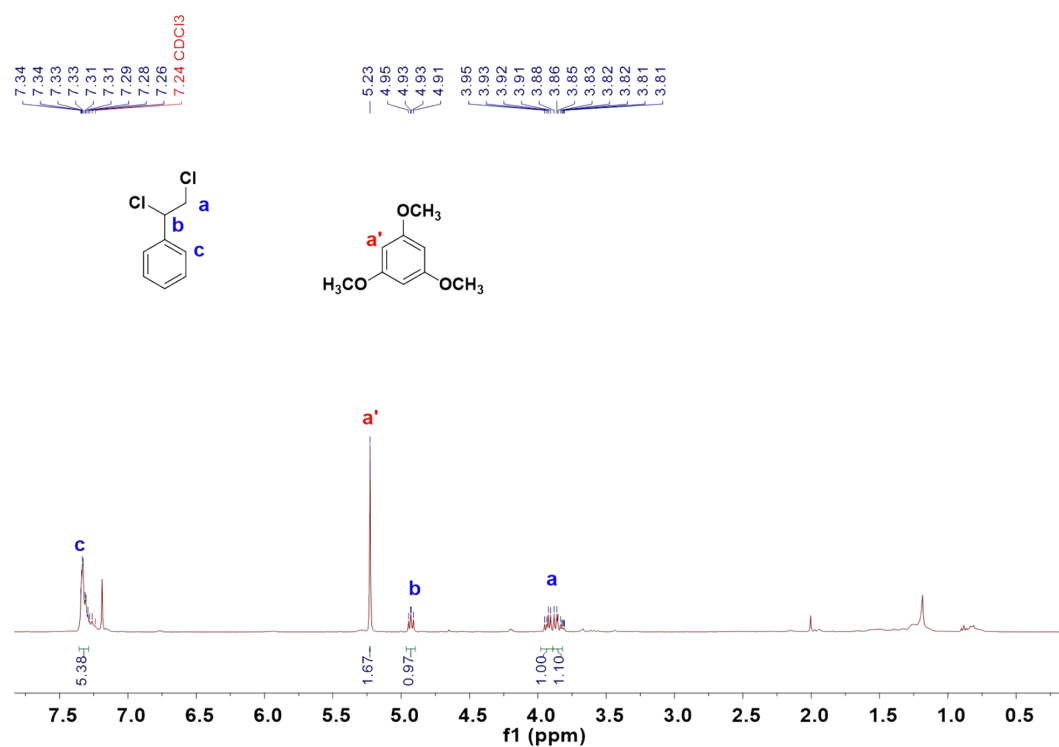


Entry	Potential(V)	H ₂ O content(V%)	Select. (%)	FE (%)
1	1.0	1%	53	70
2	1.0	2%	75	72
3	1.0	4%	56	67
4	1.0	6%	42	51
5	1.0	8%	31	43
6	1.2	2%	57	64
7	0.8	2%	73	76
8	0.6	2%	41	40

*The reaction was performed in the undivided cell with 4 mL solution (H₂O and CH₃CN (V%)), including 0.1 M NEt₄BF₄, 0.1 mmol styrene and 4 eq HCl. The electrolyte was bubbled with Ar gas flow for 10 min to remove air. The reaction was carried out for 2 h. The Yields and FEs were determined with HPLC.

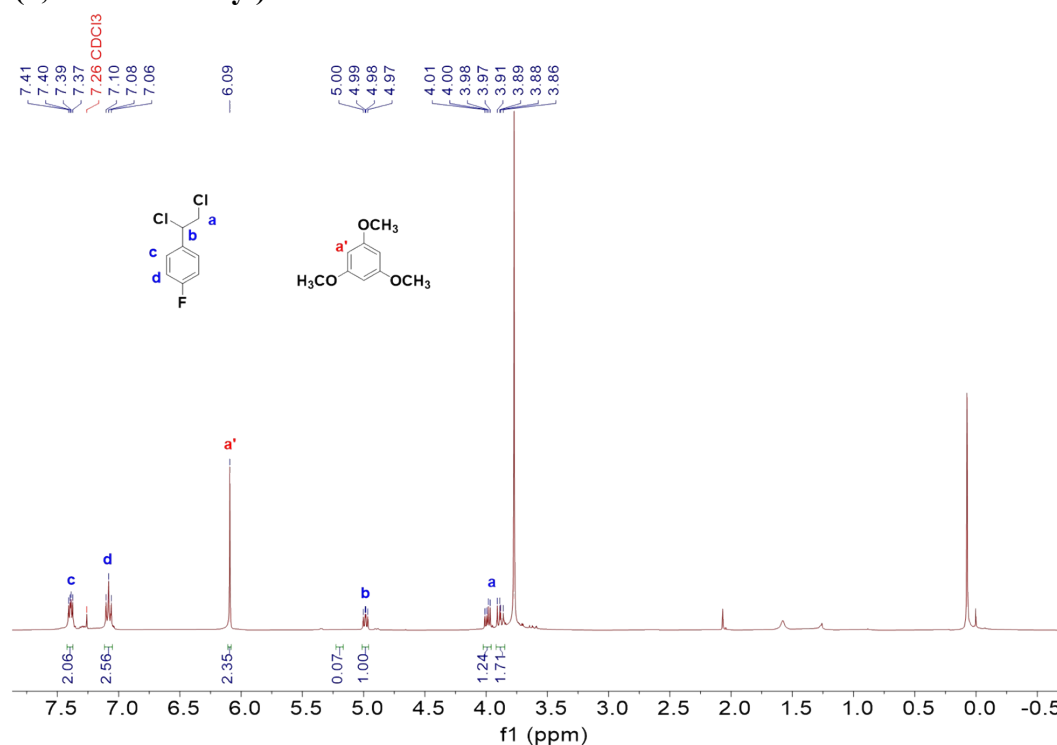
1,2-dichlorostyrene





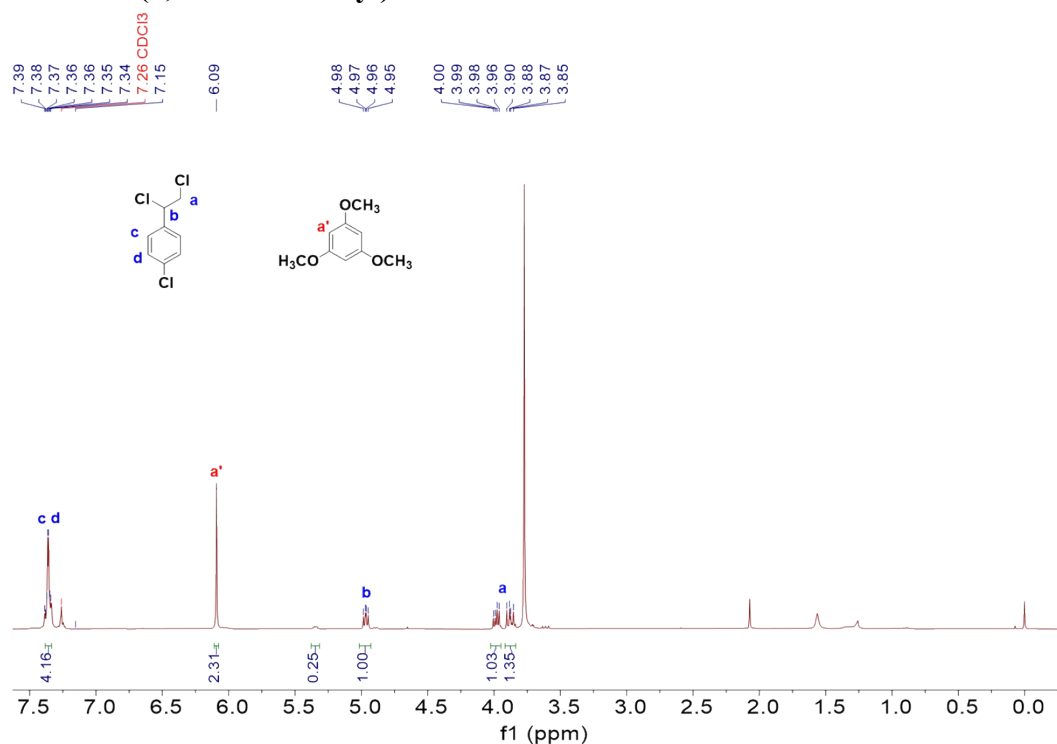
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1-(1,2-dichloroethyl)-4-fluorobenzene



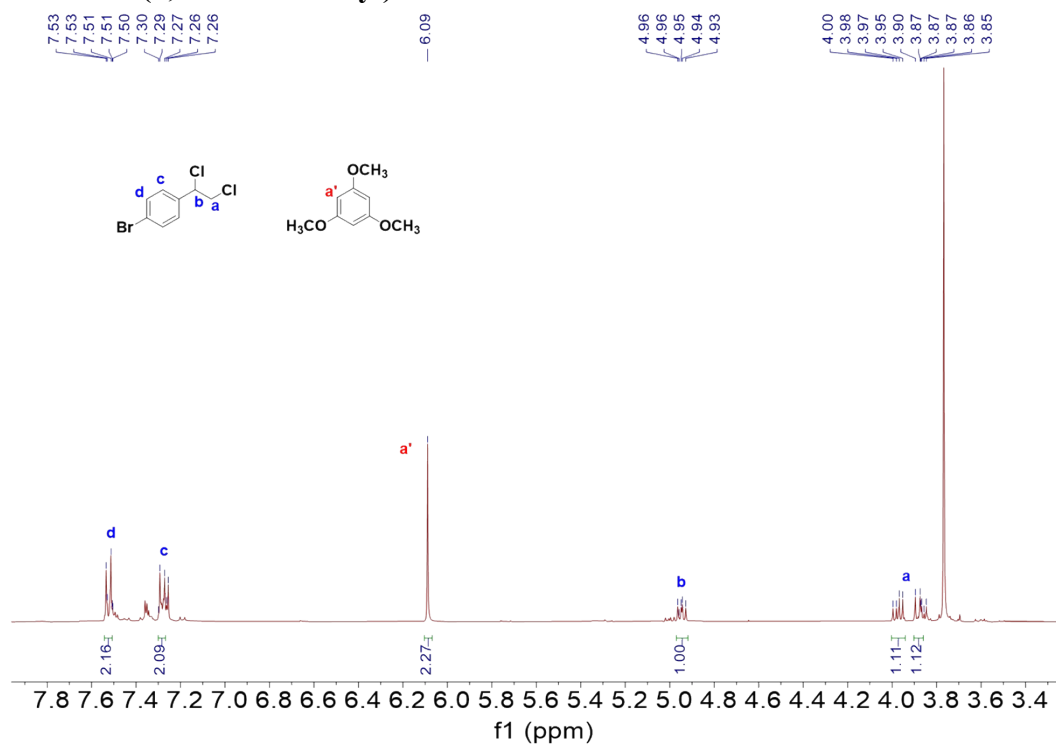
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1-chloro-4-(1,2-dichloroethyl) benzene



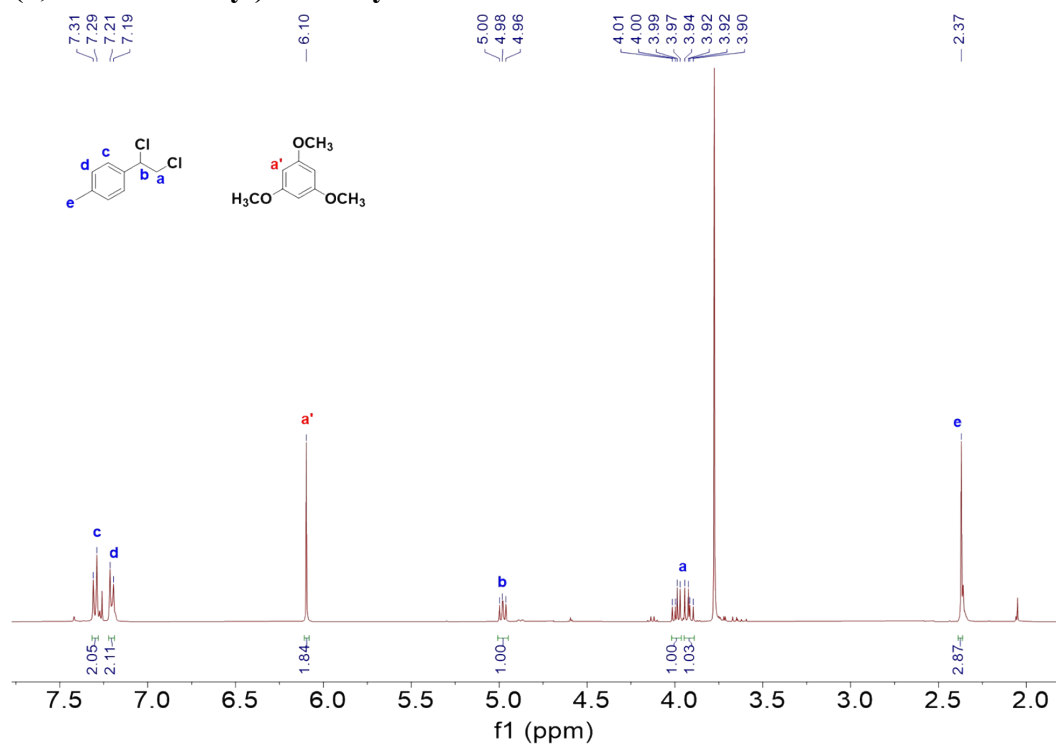
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1-bromo-4-(1,2-dichloroethyl) benzene



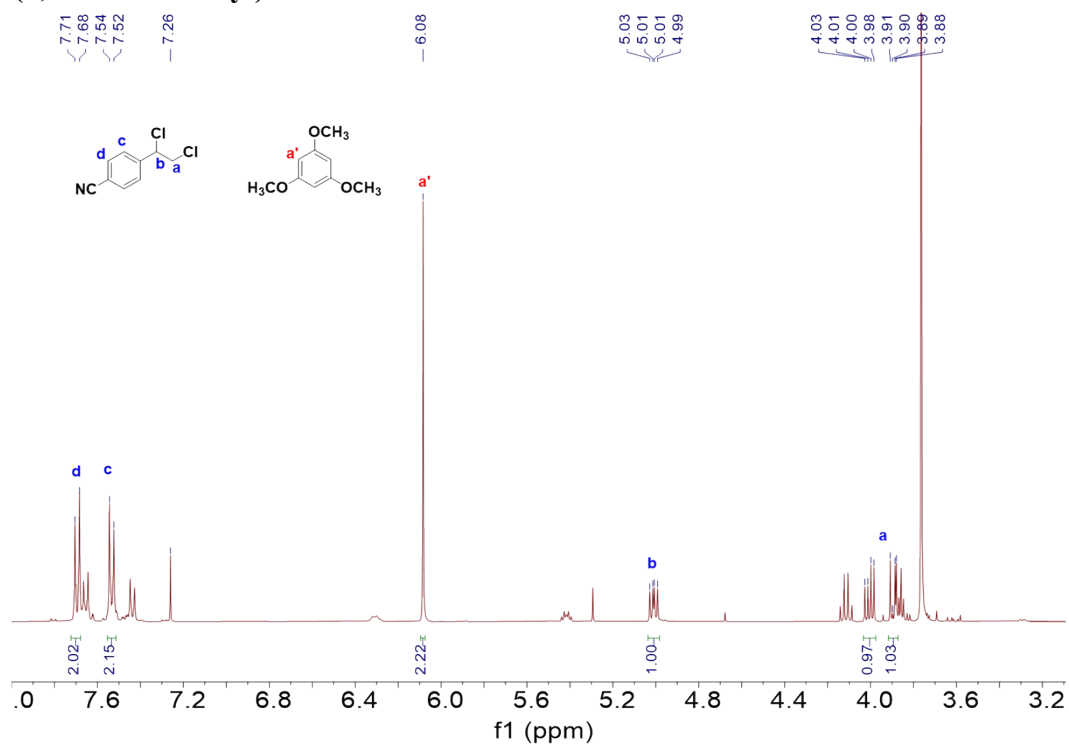
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1-(1,2-dichloroethyl)-4-methylbenzene



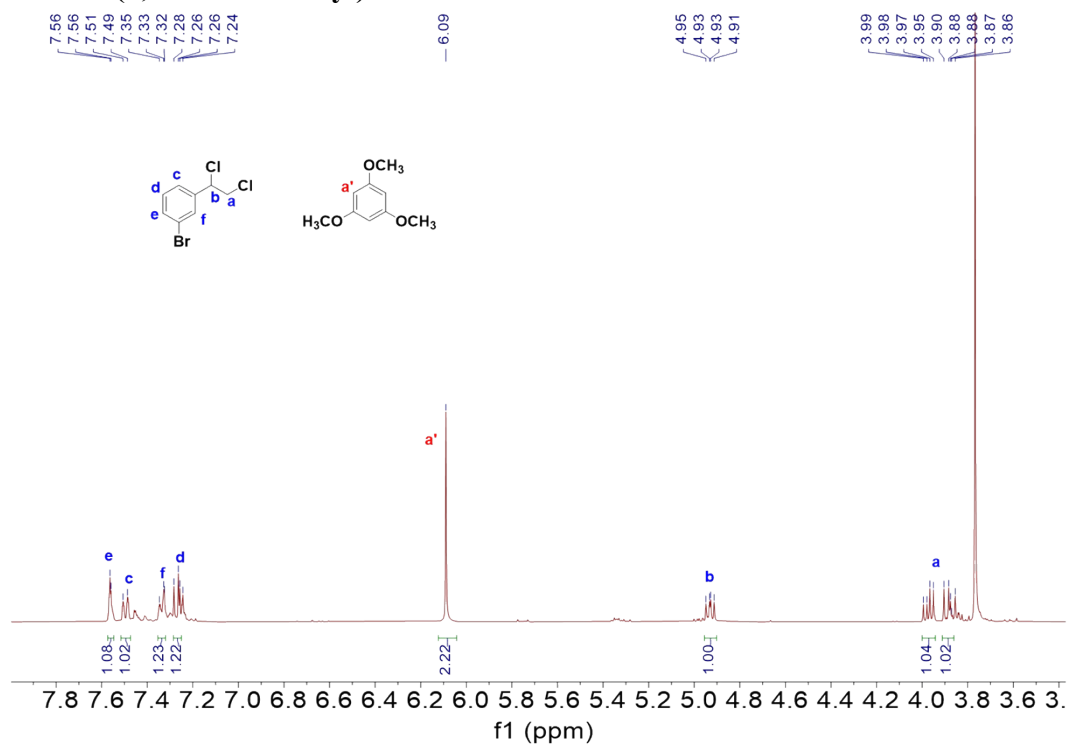
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4-(1,2-dichloroethyl) benzonitrile



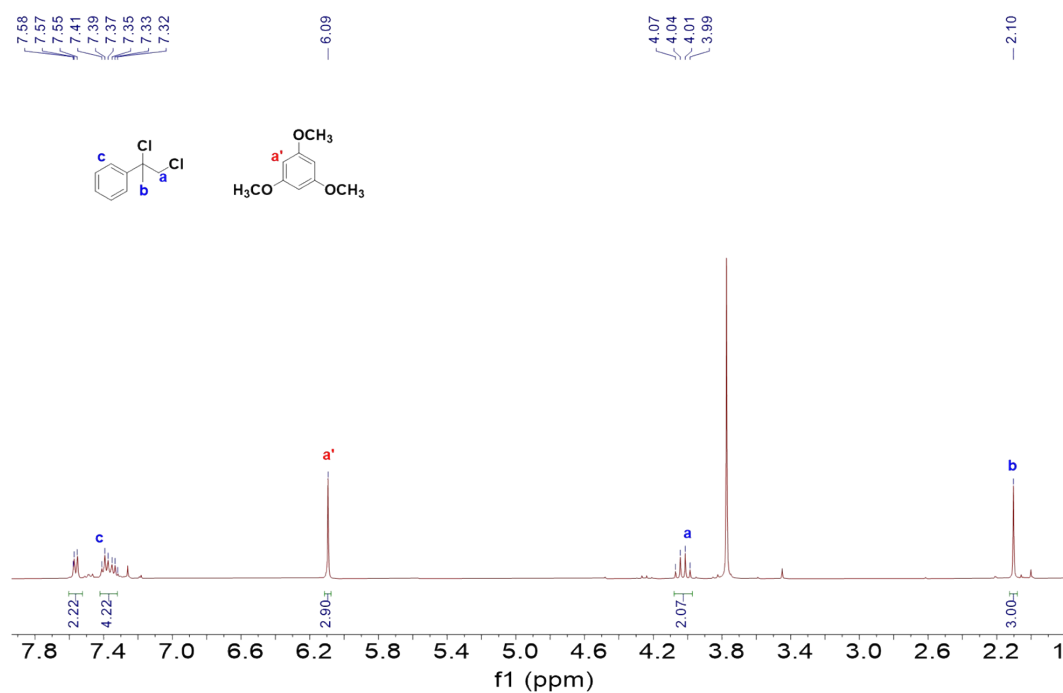
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bromo-3-(1,2-dichloroethyl) benzene



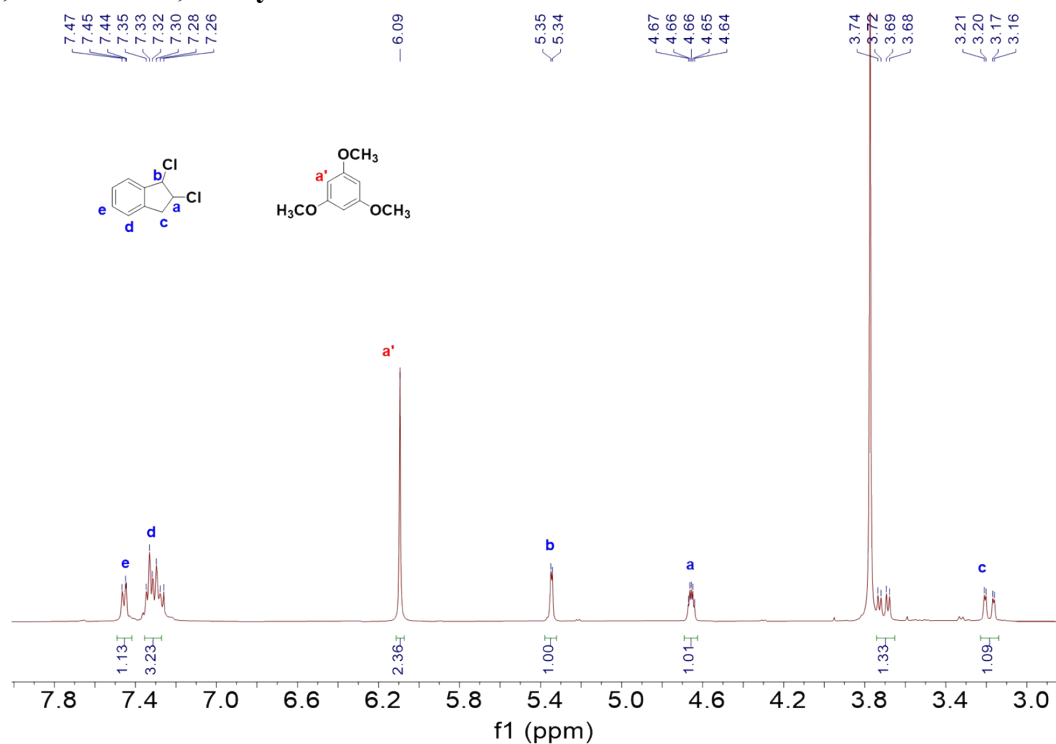
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2-phenyl-1-propene



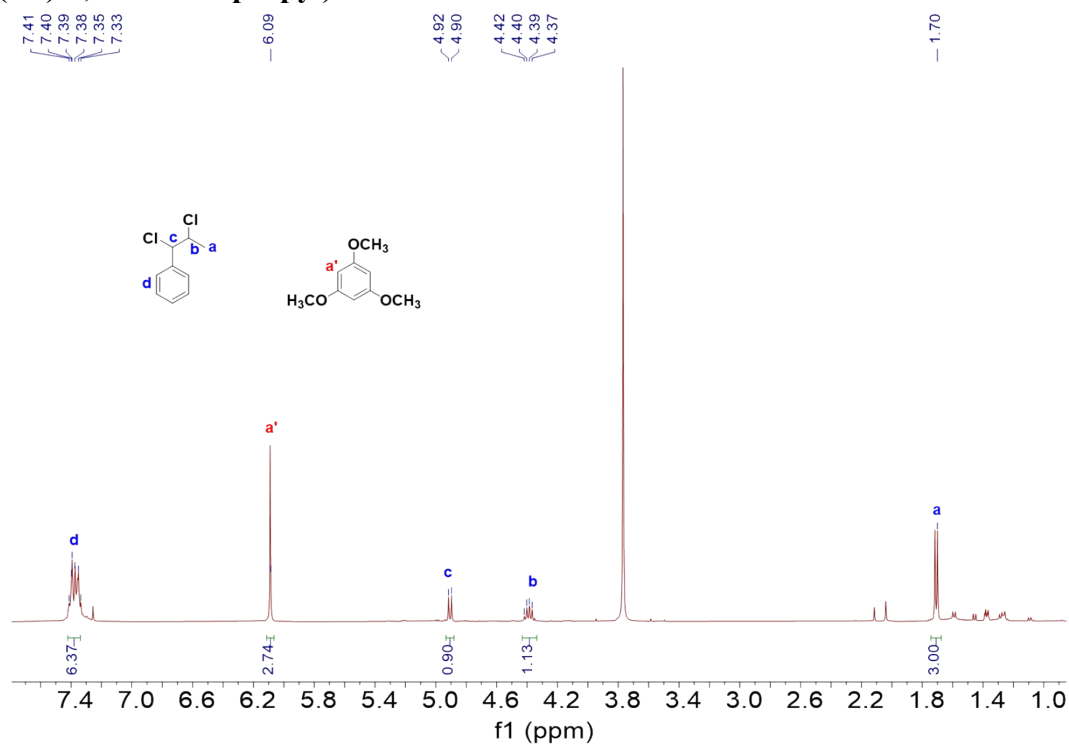
^1H NMR spectrum of the products of PEC vicinal dichlorination of 2-phenyl-1-propene (compound **8**) in 0.1 M Net_4BF_4 electrolyte (2% H_2O , 98% CH_3CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol isopropenylbenzene, 4 eq HCl and 10 μmol MnCl_2 at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm^2 irradiation for 4 h.

1,2-dichloro-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene



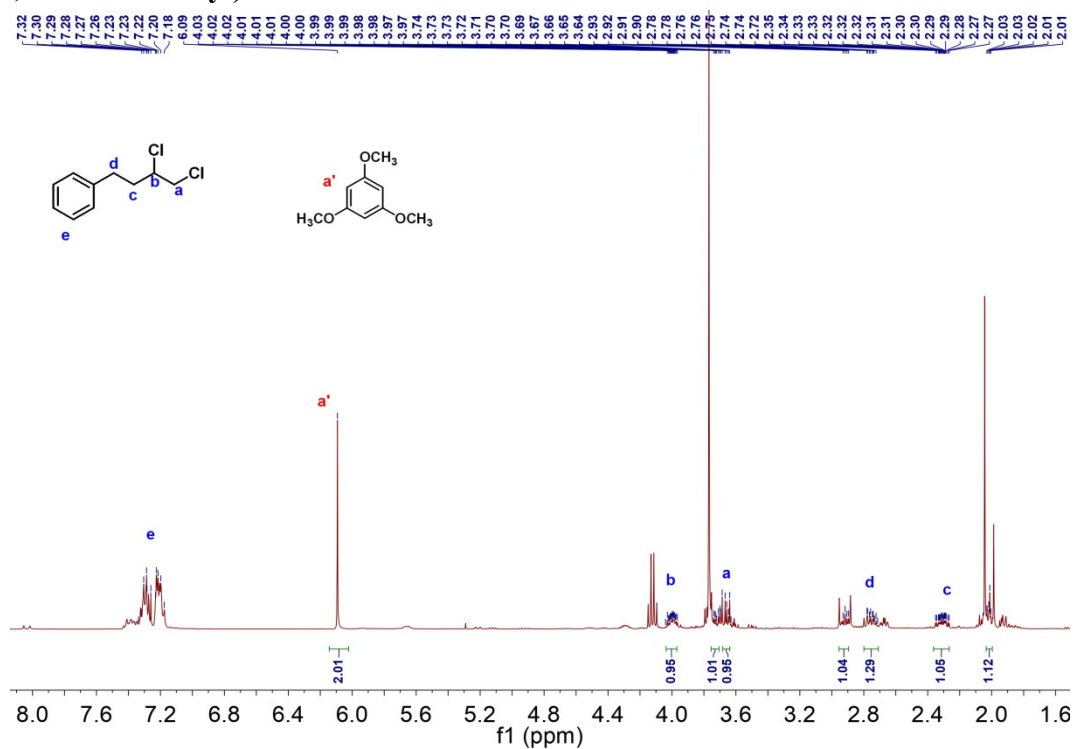
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((1R)-1,2-dichloropropyl) benzene



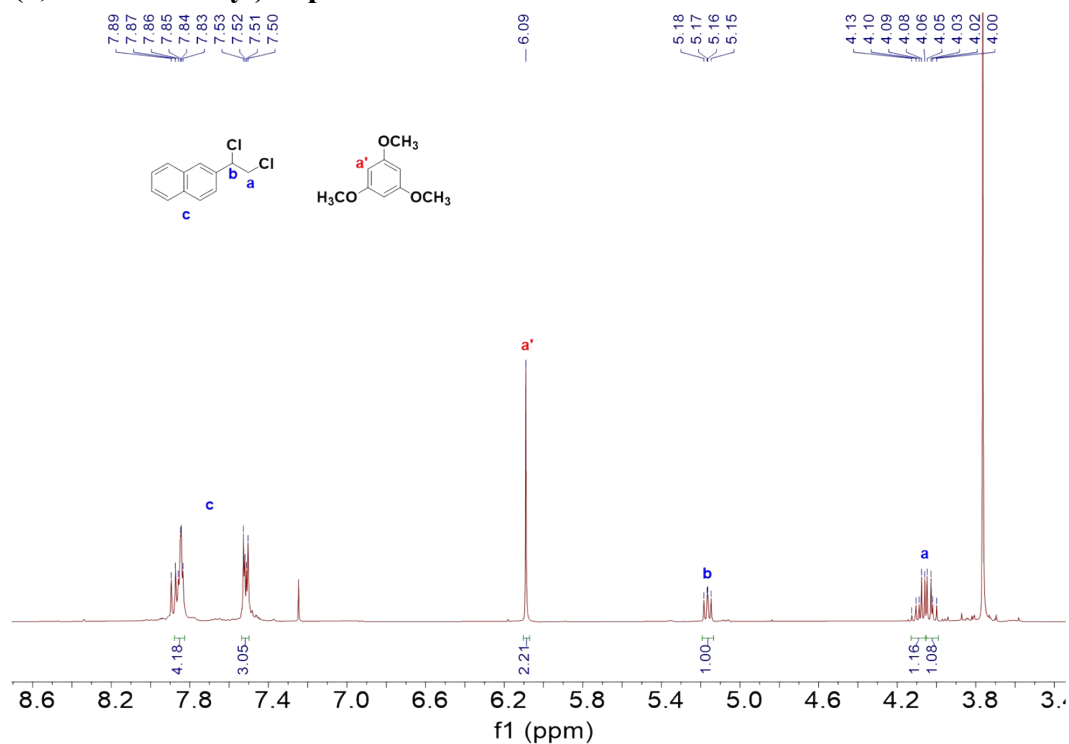
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(3,4-dichlorobutyl) benzene



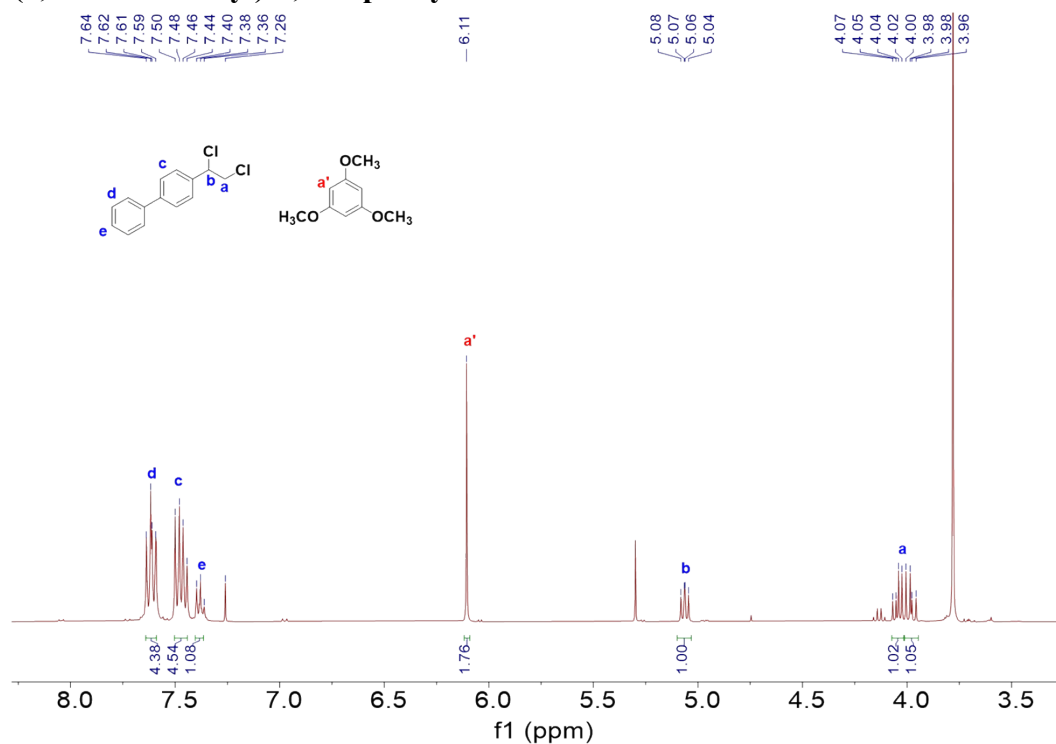
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2-(1,2-dichloroethyl) naphthalene



^1H NMR spectrum of the products of PEC vicinal dichlorination of 2-(1,2-dichloroethyl) naphthalene (compound **12**) in 0.1 M Net_4BF_4 electrolyte (2% H_2O , 98% CH_3CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol 2-vinylnaphthalene, 4 eq HCl and 10 μmol MnCl_2 at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm^2 irradiation for 4 h.

4-(1,2-dichloroethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl

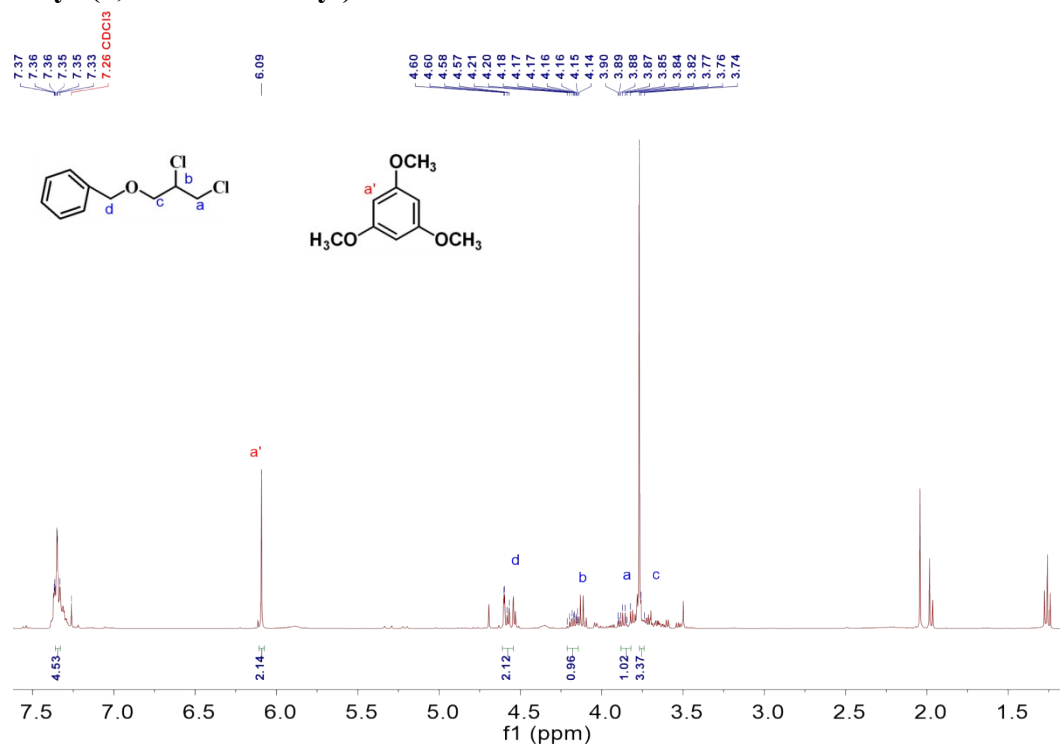


¹H NMR spectrum of the products of PEC vicinal dichlorination of 4-(1,2-dichloroethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (compound **13**) in 0.1 M Net₄BF₄ electrolyte (2% H₂O, 98% CH₃CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol 4-vinyl-1,1'-biphenyl, 4 eq HCl and 10 μmol MnCl₂ at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm² irradiation for 4 h.

¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃) of compound 10. The spectrum shows peaks for the two compounds. The top chemical structure is 1-(2-chloro-2-methylpropyl) 4-iodobenzoate, with protons labeled a (isopropyl methyls), b (CH), c (OCH₂), and d (aromatic). The bottom chemical structure is 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene, with proton a' (aromatic). The spectrum has a solvent peak at 7.26 ppm (CDCl₃). Integration values are shown below the peaks: 2.96, 1.29, 2.84, 1.91, 1.00, 1.15, 1.00, 3.12, 3.06. A list of chemical shifts (δ) is provided at the top: 8.08, 8.05, 8.07, 8.07, 8.06, 8.05, 8.05, 8.04, 7.60, 7.59, 7.59, 7.59, 7.57, 7.56, 7.56, 7.55, 7.55, 7.47, 7.47, 7.46, 7.45, 7.45, 7.44, 7.43, 7.42, 7.26 (CDCl₃), 6.08, 5.01, 5.00, 4.98, 4.97, 4.97, 4.59, 4.56, 4.56, 4.53, 4.52, 4.35, 4.34, 4.33, 4.32, 1.80, 1.79, 1.72, 1.51 (H₂O), 1.49 (H₂O), 1.43.

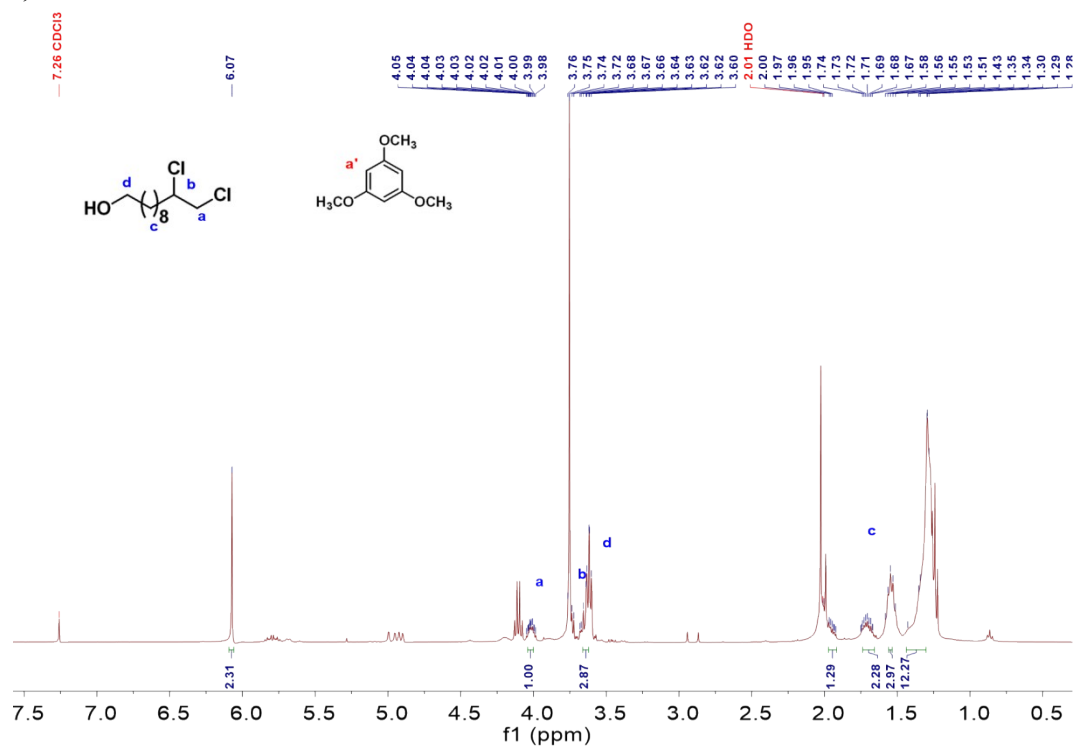
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benzyl-(1,2-dichloro-ethyl)-ether



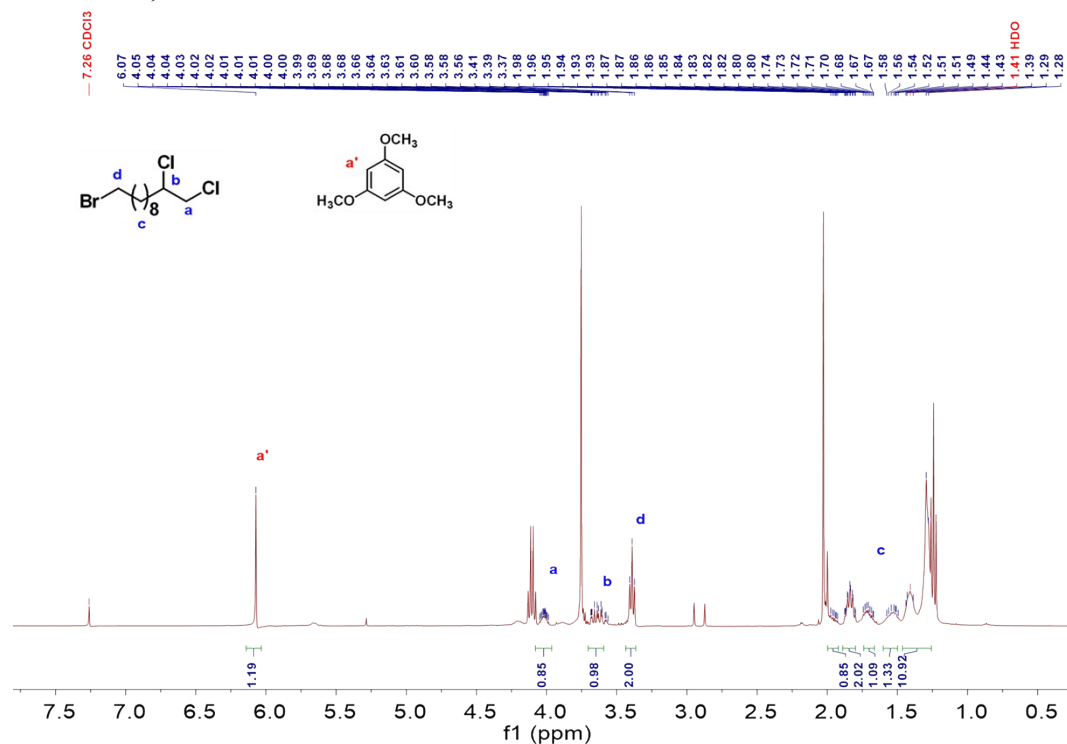
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10,11-dichloroundecan-1-ol

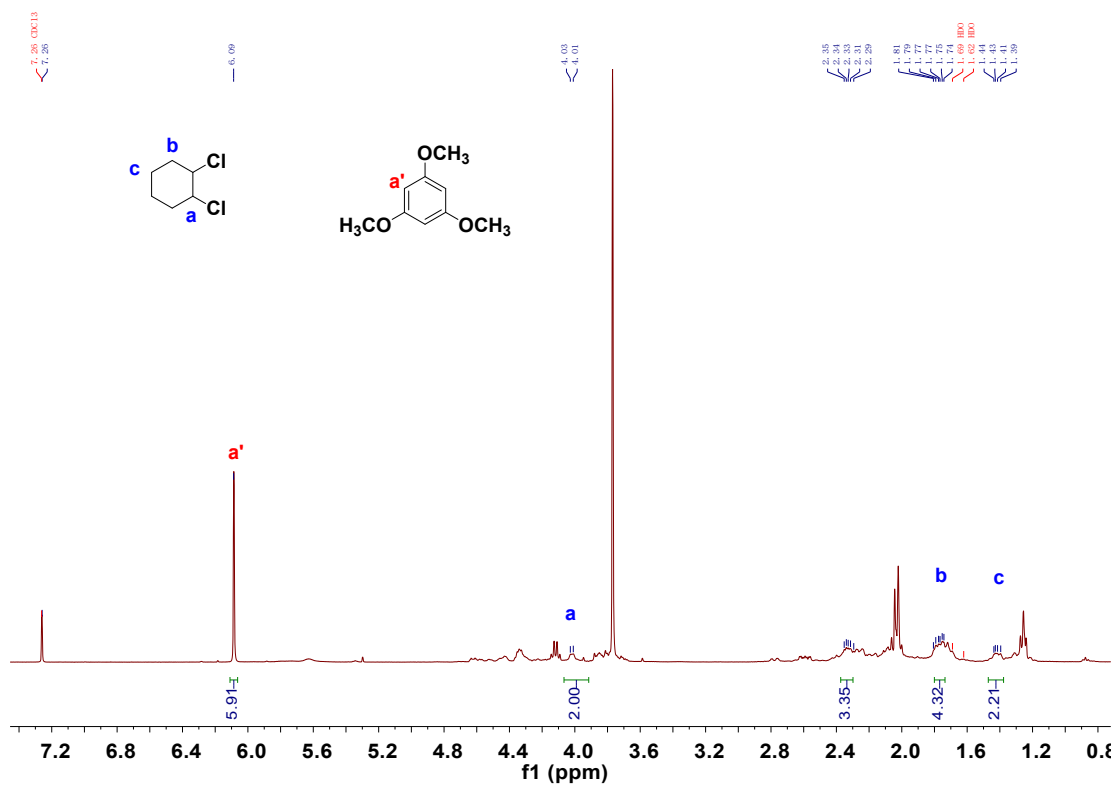


¹H NMR spectrum of the products of PEC vicinal dichlorination of 10,11-dichloroundecan-1-ol (compound **16**) in 0.1 M Net₄BF₄ electrolyte (2% H₂O, 98% CH₃CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol 10-undecen-1-ol, 4 eq HCl and 10 μmol MnCl₂ at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm² irradiation for 4 h.

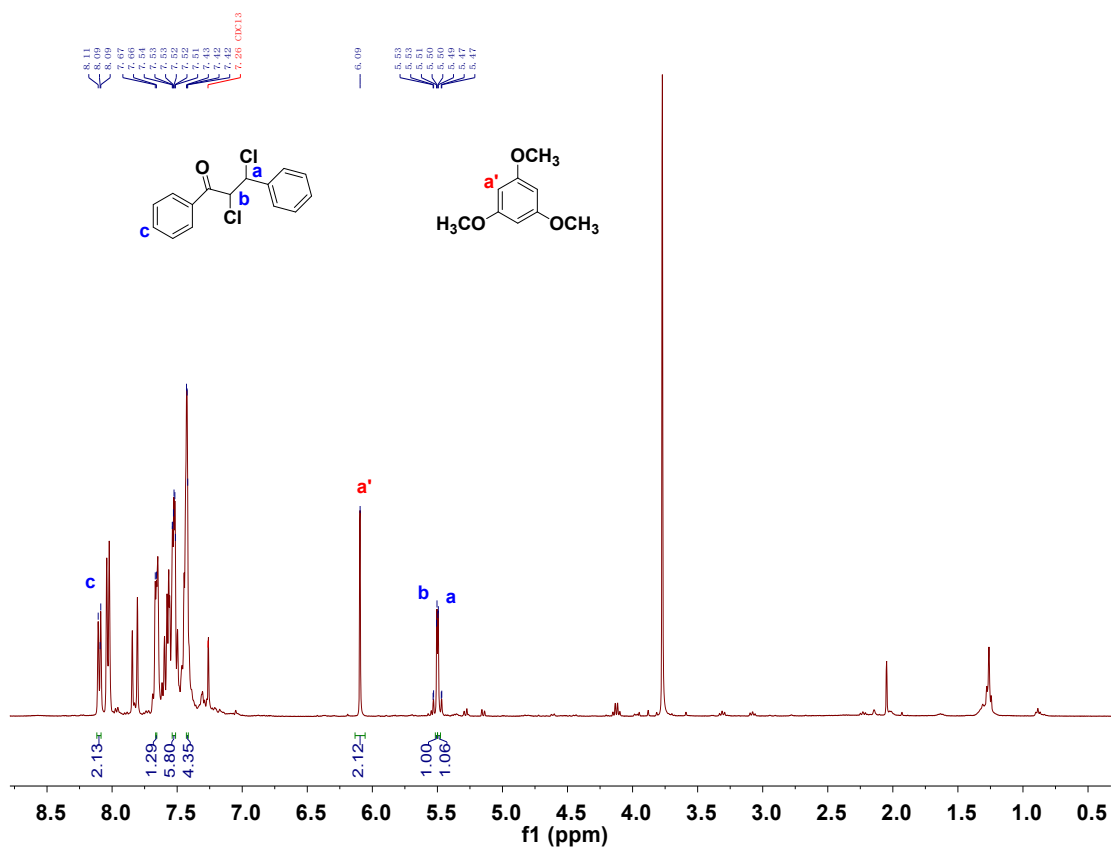
11-bromo-1,2-dichloroundecane



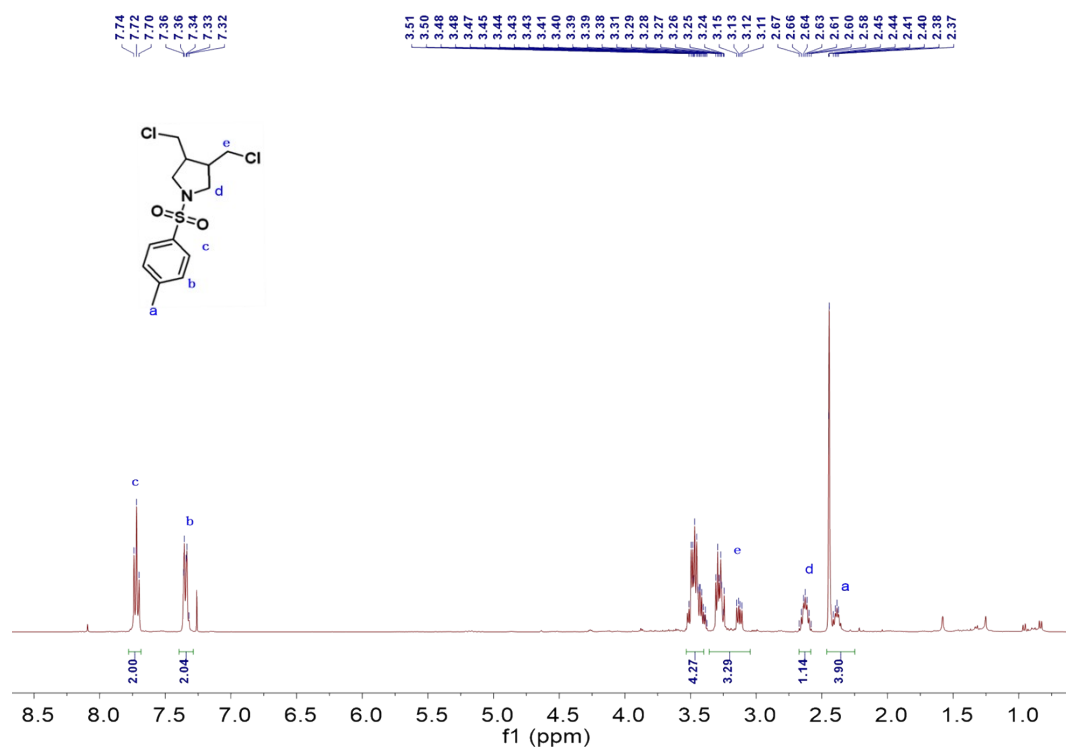
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¹H NMR spectrum of the products of PEC vicinal dichlorination of dichlorocyclohexane (compound **18**) in 0.1 M Net₄BF₄ electrolyte (2% H₂O, 98% CH₃CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol cyclohexene, 4 eq HCl and 10 μmol MnCl₂ at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm² irradiation for 7 h.



^1H NMR spectrum of the products of PEC vicinal dichlorination of 1-Propanone,2,3-dichloro-1,3-diphenyl (compound **19**) in 0.1 M Net_4BF_4 electrolyte (2% H_2O , 98% CH_3CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol chalcone, 4 eq HCl and 10 μmol MnCl_2 at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm^2 irradiation for 7 h.



¹H NMR spectrum of the pure cyclic product of PEC vicinal dichlorination of 3,4-bis(chloromethyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidine (compound **20**) in 0.1 M Net₄BF₄ electrolyte (2% H₂O, 98% CH₃CN (V%)) with 0.1 mmol N, N-diallyltosylamide at 1.0 V vs. Ag/AgCl under AM 1.5G, 100 mW/cm² irradiation for 2 h.

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