

# Synthesis of alkyl polyglycosides using SO<sub>3</sub>H-functionalized ionic liquids as catalysts

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1.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker spectrometer (600 MHz) in deuterium oxide ( $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ). The results of four SFILs are as follows:

[PSmim] $\text{HSO}_4$ :

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(600 MHz,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ):  $\delta$  ppm= 2.29(m, 2H), 2.89(t, 2H), 3.86(s, 3H), 4.32(t, 2H), 7.41(s, 1H), 7.48(s, 1H), 8.70(s, 1H)

[PSmim][pTSA]:

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(600 MHz,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ):  $\delta$  ppm= 2.30(m, 2H), 2.37(s, 3H), 2.89(t, 2H), 3.85(s, 3H), 4.31(t, 2H), 7.34(d, 2H), 7.40(s, 1H), 7.47(s, 1H), 7.67(d, 2H), 8.68(s, 1H)

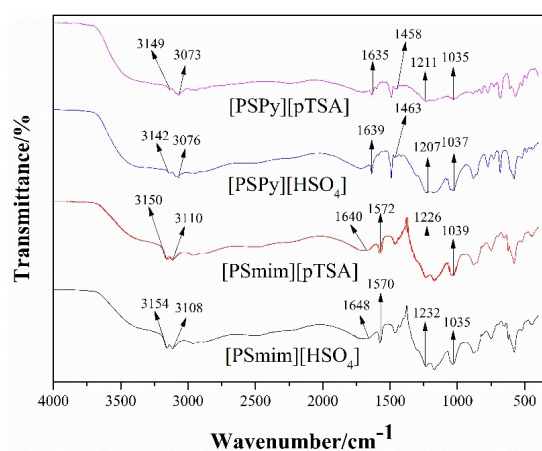
[PSPy] $\text{HSO}_4$ :

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(600 MHz,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ):  $\delta$  ppm= 2.36(m, 2H), 2.86(t, 2H), 4.65(t, 2H), 8.00(s, 2H), 8.47(s, 1H), 8.76(d, 2H)

[PSPy][pTSA]:

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(600 MHz,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ):  $\delta$  ppm= 2.41(s, 3H), 2.49(m, 2H), 2.99(t, 2H), 7.37(d, 2H), 7.70(d, 2H), 8.10(t, 2H), 8.57(t, 1H), 8.90(d, 2H)

2. The Fourier transform infrared-spectra (FTIR) were obtained in the range of 400-4000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  on a Thermo Nicolet 380 spectrometer. The results of four SFILs are as follows:

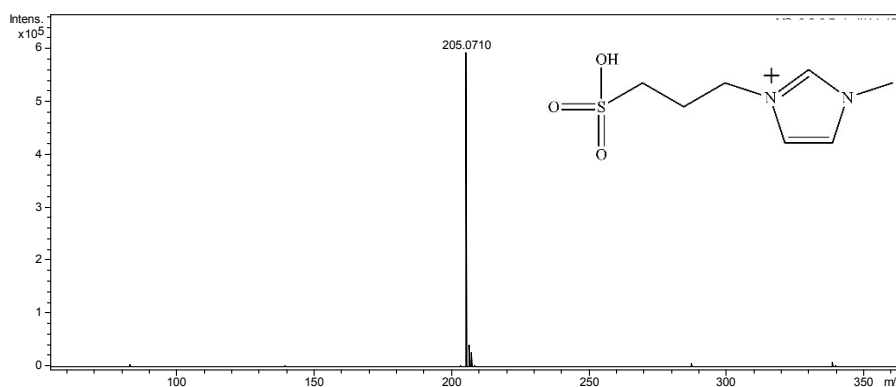


**Figure S1** The FT-IR spectrum of four SFILs

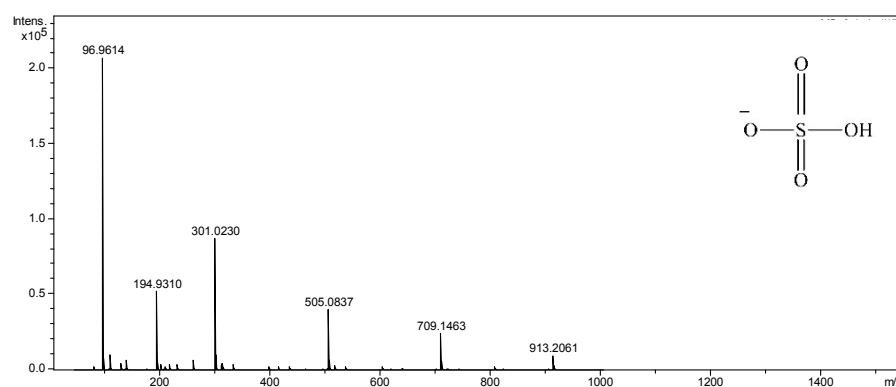
3. Electrospray ionization mass spectrometry (ESI-MS) were obtained in both positive and negative modes with a Bruker micrOTOF-Q II.

[PSmim] $\text{HSO}_4$

The molecular weight (MW) of  $[\text{PSmim}]^+$  theoretical value is 205.2438, cationic mode detection value is 205.0710,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  theoretical value is 97.0705, anion mode detection value is 96.9614, indicating that the MW difference of the theoretical value and the actual detection value of  $[\text{PSmim}]\text{HSO}_4$  is very small. It proved that the synthesized ionic liquid (IL) is the target product, and the results of ESI-MS are presented on Figure S2 and S3.



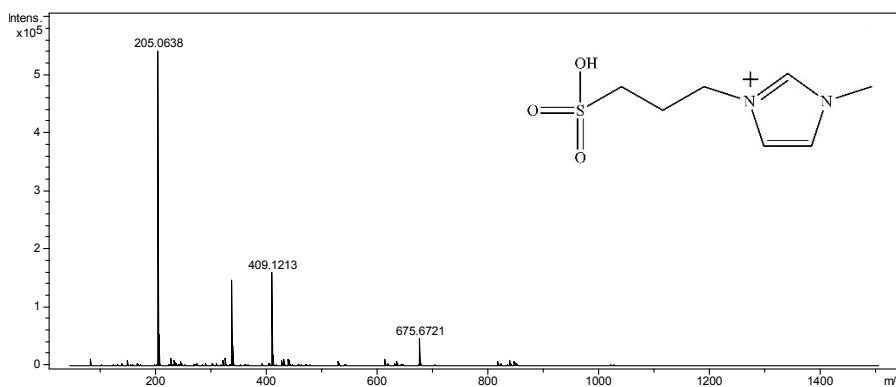
**Figure S2** The ESI-MS cationic model of [PSmim]HSO<sub>4</sub>



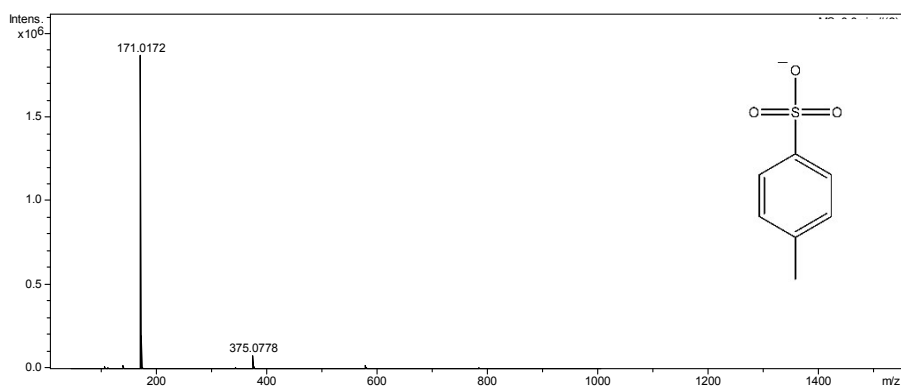
**Figure S3** The ESI-MS anionic model of [PSmim]HSO<sub>4</sub>

### [PSmim][pTSA]

The MW of [PSmim]<sup>+</sup> theoretical value is 205.2438, cationic mode detection value is 205.0638, [pTSA]<sup>-</sup> theoretical value is 171.1888, anion mode detection value is 171.0172, indicating that the MW difference of the theoretical value and the actual detection value of [PSmim][pTSA] is very small. It proved that the synthesized IL is the target product, and the results of ESI-MS are presented on Figure S4 and S5.



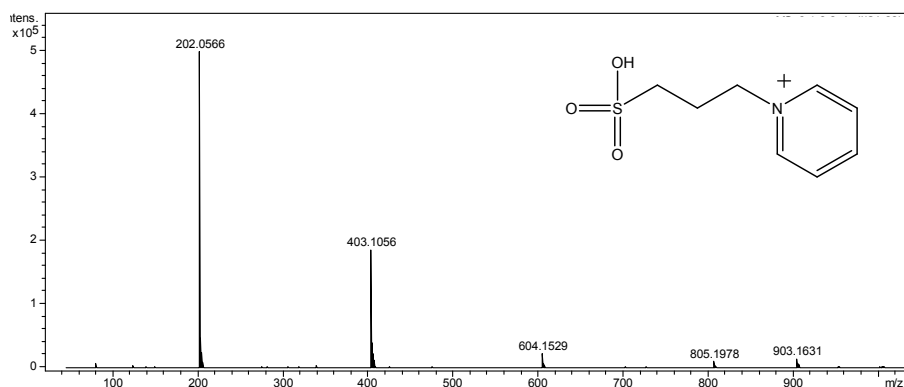
**Figure S4** The ESI-MS cationic model of [PSmim][pTSA]



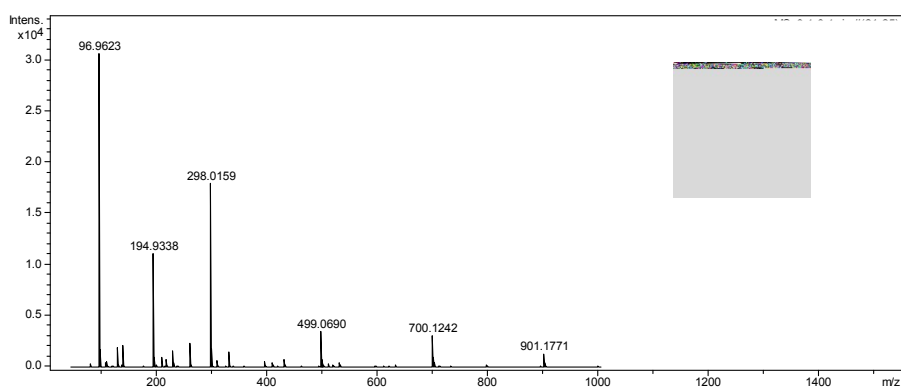
**Figure S5** The ESI-MS anionic model of [PSmim][pTSA]

[PSPy]HSO<sub>4</sub>

The MW of [PSPy]<sup>+</sup> theoretical value is 202.2422, cationic mode detection value is 202.0566, HSO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> theoretical value is 97.0705, anion mode detection value is 96.9623, indicating that the MW difference of the theoretical value and the actual detection value of [PSPy]HSO<sub>4</sub> is very small. It proved that the synthesized IL is the target product, and the results of ESI-MS are presented on Figure S6 and S7.



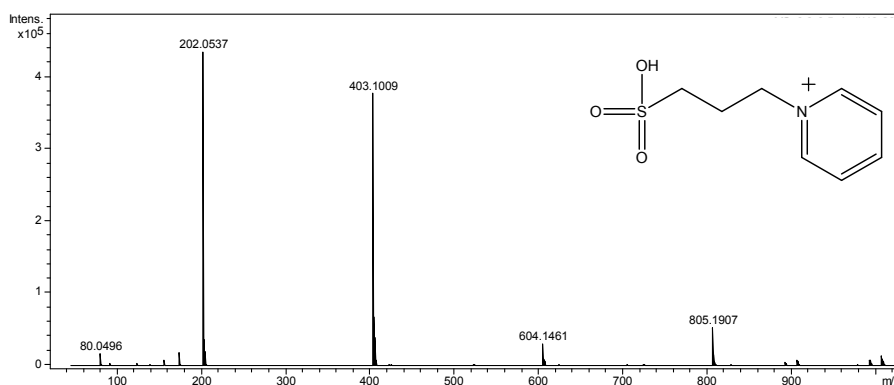
**Figure S6** The ESI-MS cationic model of [PSPy]HSO<sub>4</sub>



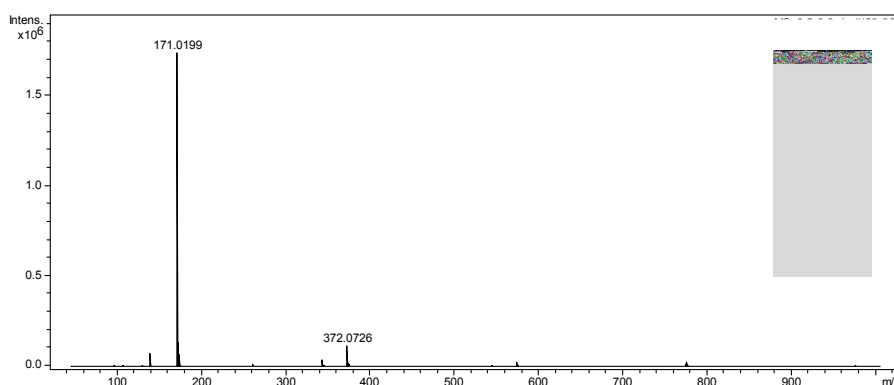
**Figure S7** The ESI-MS anionic model of [PSPy]HSO<sub>4</sub>

[PSPy][pTSA]

The MW of [PSPy]<sup>+</sup> theoretical value is 202.2422, cationic mode detection value is 202.0537, [pTSA]<sup>-</sup> theoretical value is 171.1888, anion mode detection value is 171.0119, indicating that the MW difference of the theoretical value and the actual detection value of [PSPy][pTSA] is very small. It proved that the synthesized IL is the target product, and the results of ESI-MS are presented on Figure S8 and S9.

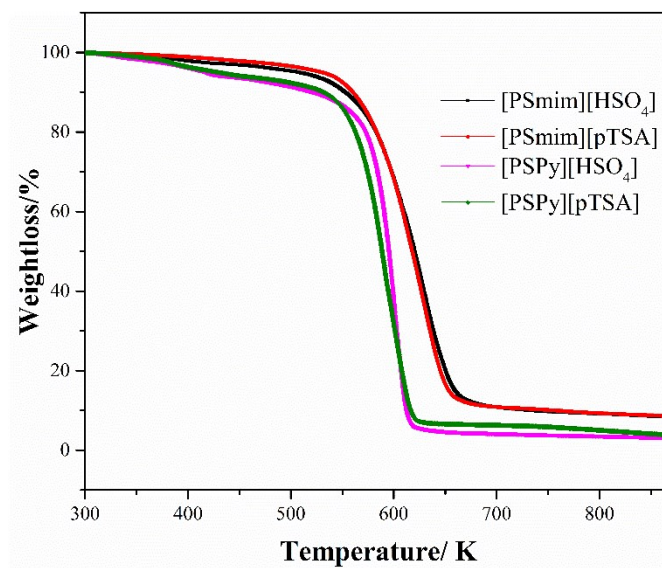


**Figure S8** The ESI-MS cationic model of [PSPy][pTSA]



**Figure S9** The ESI-MS anionic model of [PSPy][pTSA]

4. The decomposition temperature of four SFILs are measured by thermal gravimetric analyzer (TGA Q500 V3.15 Build 263) by heating samples from 298.15 K to 873.15 K at a heating rate 10 K/min with N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere at a flow of 25 mL/min. The TGA results exhibit the decomposition temperature are over 523 K of four SFILs, indicating four SFILs have well thermal stability, and the TGA results are displayed on Figure S10.



**Figure S10** The thermogravimetric trace of four SFILs