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## **Supporting Information**

## Better Through Oxygen Functionality? The Benzophenone/Dicyclohexylmethanol LOHC-System

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**Table SI-1:** Acquired mass spectra and retention times of the reaction intermediates and (side) products during dehydrogenation of H14-BP.





**Table SI-2:** GC spectra over the course of the dehydrogenation of H14-BP with a  $Pt/Al_2O_3$  catalyst.









**Figure SI-1**: Liquid-phase molar reactant and product concentration in the hydrogenation of H0-BP with 5 mass% Ru/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at 180 °C and 50 bar H<sub>2</sub>, a) desired product H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and intermediate species H2-BP ( $\blacklozenge$ ), H6-BP ( $\bigtriangledown$ ), H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ), H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) in the first 2 h of reaction time, b) reactant H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ) and main products H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) over the course of 24 h reaction time.



**Figure SI-2**: Liquid-phase molar reactant and product concentration in the hydrogenation of H0-BP with 0.3 mass% Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at 180 °C and 50 bar H<sub>2</sub>, a) intermediate species H2-BP ( $\blacklozenge$ ), H6-BP ( $\checkmark$ ) and H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) in the first 2 h of reaction time, b) reactant H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ) and main products H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ), H2-BP ( $\blacklozenge$ ) and H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ), as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) over the course of 26 h reaction time.



**Figure SI-3**: Liquid-phase molar reactant and product concentration in the hydrogenation of H0-BP with 5 mass% Pt/C at 180 °C and 50 bar H<sub>2</sub>, a) desired product H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and intermediate species H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) in the first 2 h of reaction time, b) reactant H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ) and product H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) over the course of 24 h reaction time.



**Figure SI-4**: Liquid-phase molar reactant and product concentration in the hydrogenation of H0-BP with 5 mass% Ru/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at 90 °C and 50 bar H<sub>2</sub>, a) desired product H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and intermediate species H2-BP ( $\blacklozenge$ ), H6-BP ( $\bigtriangledown$ ), H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ), H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) in the first 7 h of reaction time, b) reactant H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ) and main products H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) over the course of 24 h reaction time.



**Figure SI-5**: Liquid-phase molar reactant and product concentration in the hydrogenation of H0-BP with 5 mass% Ru/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at 120 °C and 50 bar H<sub>2</sub>, a) desired product H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and intermediate species H2-BP ( $\blacklozenge$ ), H6-BP ( $\bigtriangledown$ ), H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ), H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) in the first 4 h of reaction time, b) reactant H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ) and main products H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) over the course of 24 h reaction time.



**Figure SI-6**: Liquid-phase molar reactant and product concentration in the hydrogenation of H0-BP with 5 mass% Ru/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at 150 °C and 50 bar H<sub>2</sub>, a) desired product H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and intermediate species H2-BP ( $\blacklozenge$ ), H6-BP ( $\bigtriangledown$ ), H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ), H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) in the first 3 h of reaction time, b) reactant H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ) and main products H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ) and H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) as well as the sum of all Hx-DPM side products ( $\blacklozenge$ ) over the course of 24 h reaction time.



**Figure SI-7**: Liquid phase molar concentration of reactant and products in the dehydrogenation of 0.15 mol H14-BP at 230 °C with 200 mL min<sup>-1</sup> argon overflow over a) Pd/C, 5 mass%, b) Ir/C, 5 mass%, or c) Rh/C, 5 mass%: H14-BP (■), H12-BP (●), H8-BP (▲), H6-BP (▼), H12-DPM (◀), H6-DPM (♦), H0-DPM (►). Pd/C: Sigma Aldrich, 75992; Ir/C: Fuelcellstore, 6091601; Rh/C: Alfa Aesar, A15965.



**Figure SI-8**: Liquid phase molar concentrations of reactant H14-BP ( $\bullet$ ) and only product H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ) in the dehydrogenation of 0.15 mol H14-BP at 170 °C with 200 mL min<sup>-1</sup> argon overflow over CuO/ZnO/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure SI-9**: Liquid phase molar concentration of reactant and products in the dehydrogenation of 0.15 mol H14-BP at a) 220 °C, b) 230 °C, c) 240 °C, and d) 250 °C, with 200 mL min<sup>-1</sup> argon overflow over Pt/C, 5 mass%: H14-BP ( $\blacksquare$ ), H12-BP ( $\bullet$ ), H8-BP ( $\blacktriangle$ ), H6-BP ( $\checkmark$ ), H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ), H0-BP ( $\bigstar$ ), H6-DPM ( $\blacklozenge$ ).