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Liquid-Liquid and Gas-Liquid Dispersions in Electrochemistry: Concepts, Applications and Perspectives

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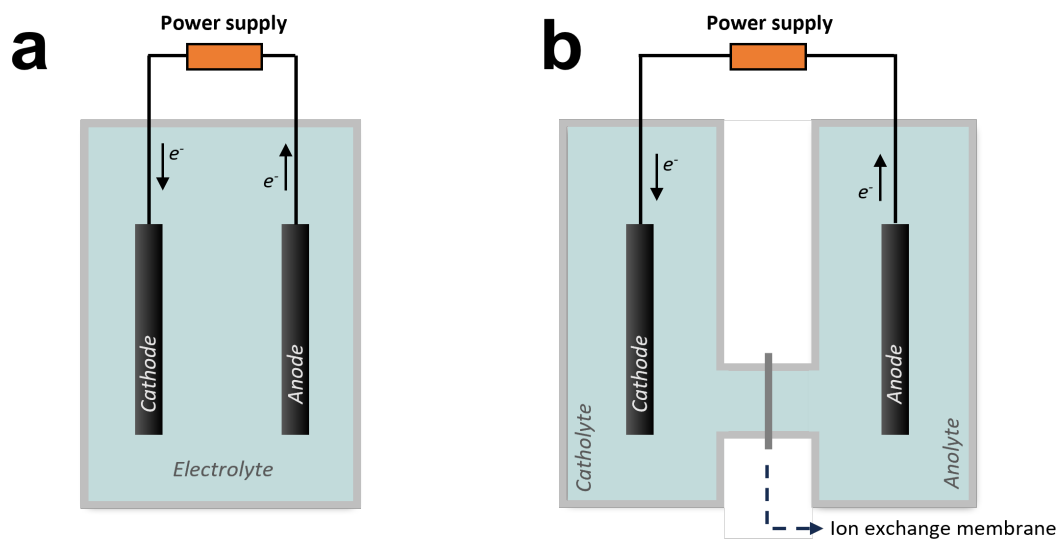


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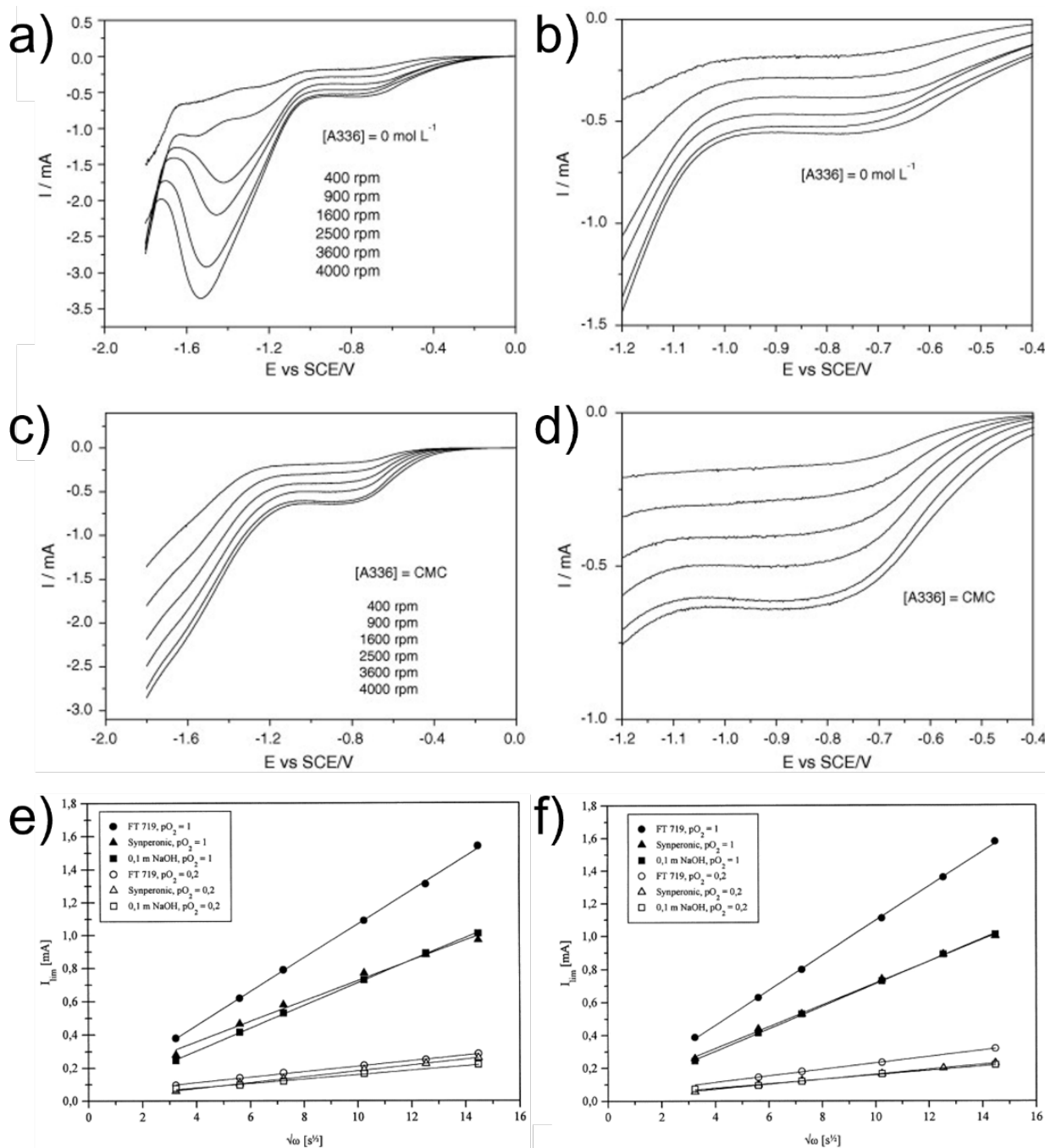


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In **Fig S2a&b**, the second reduction peak (-1.4 V to -1.6 V) indicate A336 inhibits H₂O₂ reduction to H₂O. Meanwhile, the half-wave potential shifts to more negative potentials in the presence of A336, which means A336 affects the thermodynamic properties of ORR. In **Fig S2e&f**, the presence of FT 719 enhances the current due to a more favoured O₂ transfer from the organic phase to the electrode surface using a fluorinated surfactant.

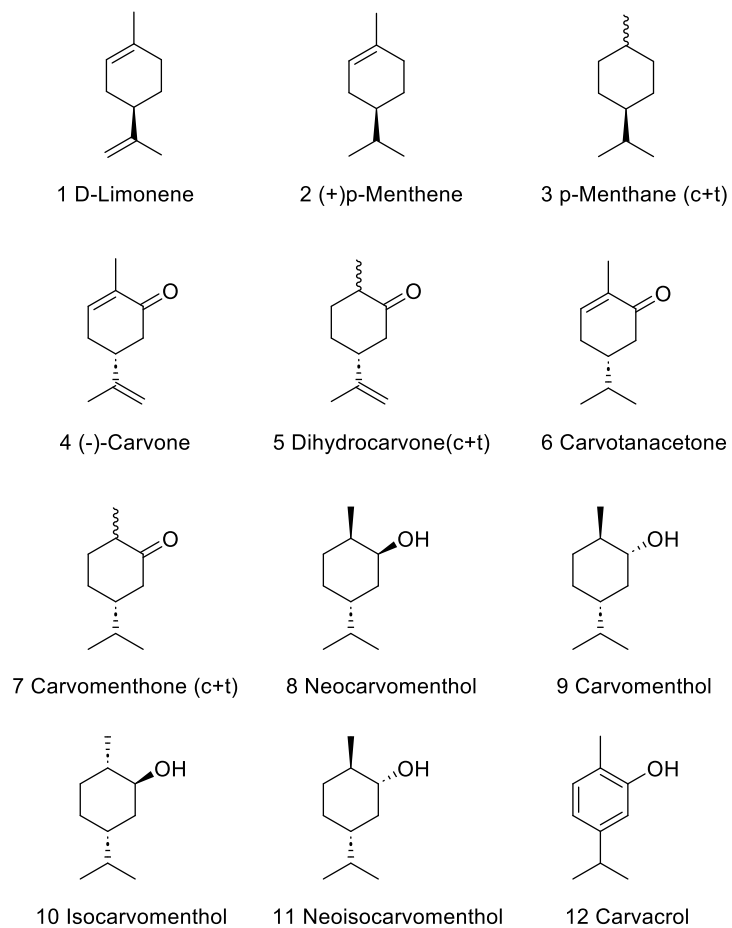


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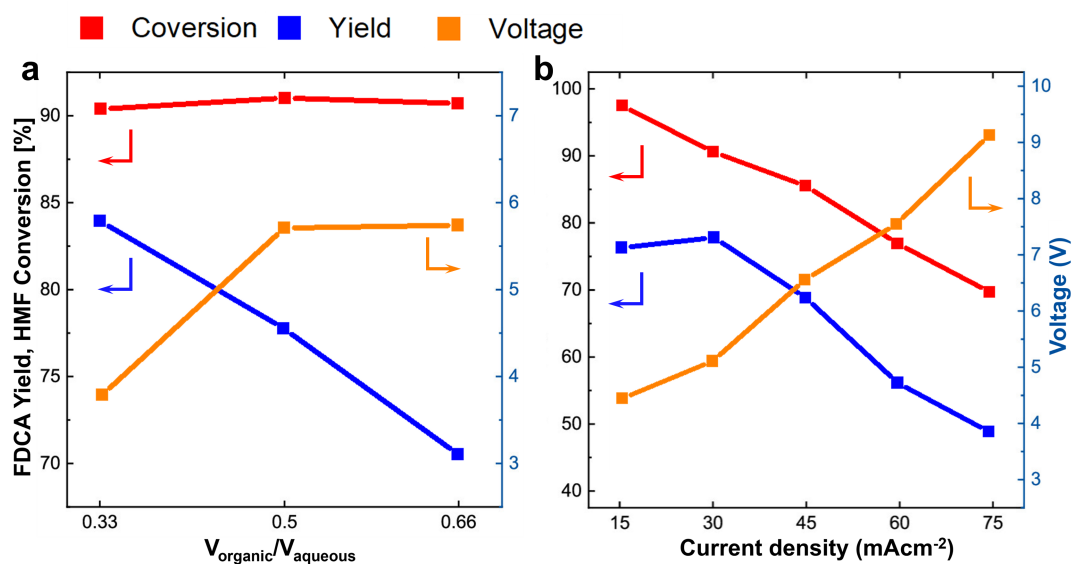


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The results show a high FDCA yield by feeding a HMF-rich organic phase to the electrode, while HMF was extracted into the aqueous phase and oxidized to FDCA.

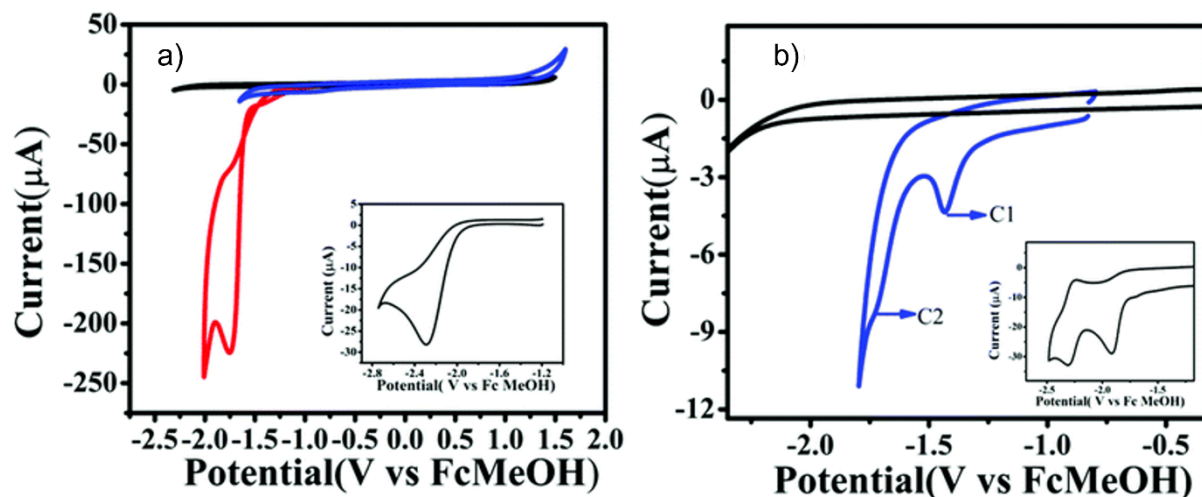


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Compared to the CV plots reported for CAN and 9-BAN at similar conditions without SAIL micelles, the reduction peaks appear at lower overpotential due to an enhanced mass transfer.

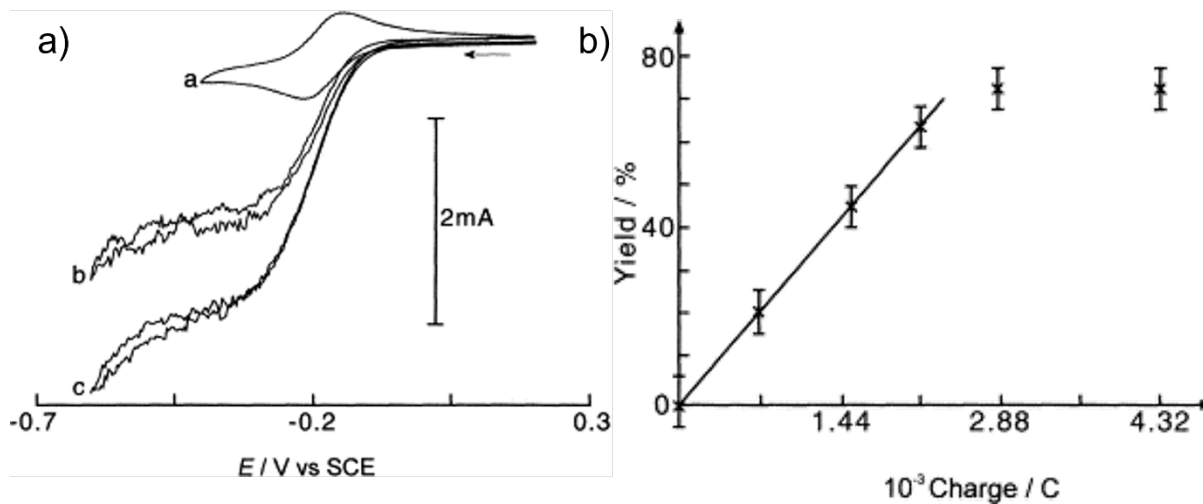


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Fig S6a shows the effect of ultrasound for biphasic Kolbe coupling processes. A considerable current increase in the presence of ultrasound is clearly visible. Under sono-emulsion conditions, there is enough electrode surface to enable the redox process. **Fig S6b** plots the decane yield in the presence of ultrasound reaching 75%.

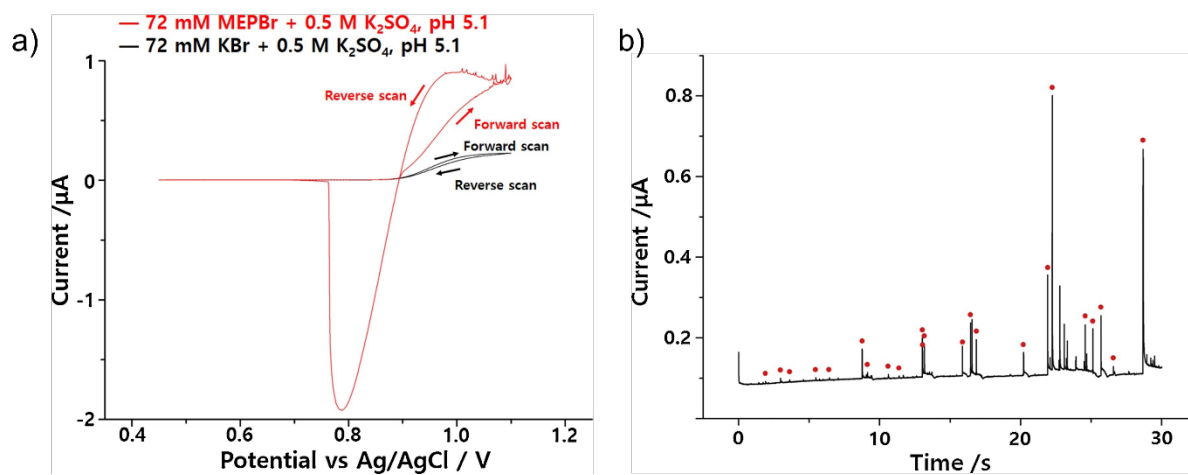


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Fig S7a shows that MEPBr⁺ starts oxidation at ca. 0.85 V and reaches a diffusion-controlled state at >1.0 V, with a much larger current than in aqueous KBr. A reduction peak at ca. 0.8 V is observed that corresponds to the reduction of Br³⁻ in the droplets adsorbed on the electrode. **Fig S7b** indicates the droplets' collision time with the electrode along with an increased current due to a higher concentration of Br⁻ after collision.

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