Switching of selectivity from benzaldehyde to benzoic acid using MIL-100(V) as a heterogeneous catalyst in aerobic oxidation of benzyl alcohol

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Supporting Information

Figure S1. The variation of Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formations with the time in the Bz-OH oxidations performed by changing initial Bz-OH concentration at 80° C and 120° C, using molecular oxygen as the oxidant. (A) Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formation profiles at 80°C, Bz-OH concentration (mM): (i) 48.1, (ii) 96.2, (iii) 192.4, (B) Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formation profiles at 120°C, Bz-OH concentration (mM): (i) 48.1, (ii) 96.2, (iii) 192.4, Common conditions: DEGDME: 2.5 mL, O_2 flow rate: 0.015 L/min, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 80°C: 32 mg/mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 120°C: 8 mg/mL.

Figure S2. The variation of Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formations with the time in the Bz-OH oxidations performed by changing air flow rate at 80°C and 120°C. (A) Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formation profiles at 80 \degree C, Air flow rate (L/min): (i) 0.05, (ii) 0.075, (iii) 0.150, (B) Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formation profiles at 120°C, Air flow rate (L/min): (i) 0.05, (ii) 0.075, (iii) 0.150, Common conditions: DEGDME: 2.5 mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 80°C: 32 mg/mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 120°C: 8 mg/mL.

Table S1. The comparison of TOF values obtained for this study with the those obtained with different catalysts synthesized for oxidation of benzyl alcohol.

a: Based on Bz-OH conversion, b: Based on metal surface dispersion, c: Based on only Pd, d: Calculated from the data reported in the reference, e: Based on only Au, f: TOF= $n_{Main\,product}$ / $(n_{vanadium}xt_{reaction})$ where $n_{\text{Main product}}$ is the mole of main product, n_{vanadium} : mole of vanadium in MIL-100 (V), t_{reaction} : is the reaction period for obtaining 80 % of Bz-OH conversion.

Figure S3. The variation of Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formations with the time in the Bz-OH oxidations performed using different radical scavengers at two different reaction temperatures. Temperature and type of radical scavenging agent: (A) Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formation profiles at 80°C, Scavenger type: (i) L-AA, (ii) IPA, (iii) NaN₃, (B) Bz-CHO and Bz-COOH formation profiles at 120 \textdegree C, Scavenger type: (i) L-AA, (ii) IPA, (iii) NaN₃, Common conditions: Bz-OH initial concentration: 98.2 mM, O₂ flow rate: 0.015 L/min, DEGDME: 2.5 mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 80°C: 32 mg/mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 120°C: 8 mg/mL.

Figure S4. The SEM photographs of MIL-100(V) (A) after using five consecutive Bz-OH oxidation runs at 80 \degree C, (B) after using five consecutive Bz-OH oxidation runs at 120 \degree C. Common conditions: Bz-OH initial concentration: 98.2 mM, $O₂$ flow rate: 0.015 L/min, DEGDME: 2.5 mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 80°C: 32 mg/mL, MIL-100(V) concentration for the runs performed at 120° C: 8 mg/mL.

Figure S5. X-ray diffraction spectra of MIL-100(V) after using five consecutive Bz-OH oxidation runs performed at (A) 80°C and (B) 120°C. The reaction conditions are given in Figure S4.

Figure S6. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy of MIL-100(V) after using five consecutive Bz-OH oxidation runs at 80°C. (A): (i) Survey XPS spectrum, Core level spectra for (ii) V 2p scan, (iii) C 1s scan, (iv) O 1s scan. Bz-OH oxidation conditions are given in Figure 9. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy of MIL-100(V) after using five consecutive Bz-OH oxidation runs at 120°C. (B): (i) Survey XPS spectrum, Core level spectra for (ii) V 2p scan, (iii) C 1s scan, (iv) O 1s scan. The reaction conditions are given in **Figure S4**.

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