# **Supporting Information**

# Highly efficient SO<sub>2</sub> absorption and its subsequent utilization by weak base/polyethylene glycol binary system

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#### 1. General experimental methods:

#### Caution

Experiments using compressed gases SO<sub>2</sub> or CO<sub>2</sub> are potentially hazardous and must only be carried out by using the appropriate equipment and under rigorous safety precautions.

#### Materials

All the reagents used in this work are purchased from Alfa Aesar-A Johnson Matthey Company and directly used without further purification.  $SO_2$  and  $CO_2$  with a purity of 99.99% is commercially available.  $PEG_{150}MeIm$  and n-OctIm are synthesized according to the reported method. [1-3]

#### **Experimental methods**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra was recorded at Bruker 400 spectrometer in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO and CDCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26 ppm) or d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO (2.50 ppm) was used as internal reference, <sup>13</sup>C NMR was recorded at 100.6 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO and CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.00 ppm) or d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO (39.43 ppm) was used as internal reference. ESI-MS were recorded on a Thermo Finnigan LCQ Advantage spectrometer in ESI mode with a spray voltage of 4.8 kV. GC-MS were measured on a Finnigan HP G1800 A. GC analyses were performed on a Shimadzu GC-2014 equipped with a capillary column (RTX-WAX, 30 m \* 0.25 μm) using a flame ionization detector. *In situ* FTIR was collected on a Mettler Toledo React IR ic10, Silica ATR probe, using ic IR analysis system. The probe is placed in the middle of the absorption mixture, which is constantly stirred by magnetic whisk, and the spectra are collected *in situ* during SO<sub>2</sub> absorption. Column chromatography was performed by using silica gel 200-300 mesh with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/ethyl acetate/petroleum as eluent.

#### General procedure for absorption and desorption of SO<sub>2</sub>

In a typical procedure,  $SO_2$  capture was carried out in a 10 mL Schlenk flask. The absorbents were charged into the reactor at room temperature. Then, the air in the flask was replaced by  $SO_2$  and a needle was used for  $SO_2$  bubbling, which was inserted in the bottom of the flask. The absorption reaction was conducted at 25 °C with a  $SO_2$  bubbling rate of 0.1 L/min. The amount of  $SO_2$  absorbed was determined by an Analytical Balance within an accuracy of  $\pm 0.0001$  g every five minutes. During the absorption of  $SO_2$  under reduced pressure,  $SO_2$  is diluted with  $SO_2$  in order to reduce the partial pressure of  $SO_2$  passing through the system. The  $SO_2$  partial pressure is controlled by changing the volume fraction of  $SO_2$ . In a typical desorption of  $SO_2$ ,  $SO_2$  atmospheric pressure is bubbled trough absorption system at 25 °C using the same equipment and procedure as  $SO_2$  capture. Absorption/desorption is determined by several cycles of repeated experiments.

#### General procedure for synthesis of cyclic sulfites using captured SO2 and its recyclability

Firstly, PEG $_{150}$ MeIm (2 mmol) and PEG $_{150}$  (2 mmol) or choline chloride (2 mmol) were charged into a glass tube, in which SO $_2$  was bubbled through a needle. Then, epoxide and NH $_4$ I (only for PEG $_{150}$ MeIm/PEG $_{150}$  system) was added after SO $_2$  absorption reached equilibrium. The tube was placed into a 25 mL stainless steel autoclave and then the mixture was stirred at predetermined temperature for 5 min to reach the equilibration. When the reaction finished, the reactor was cooled in ice-water and SO $_2$  was ejected slowly. The product yields for catalyst and reaction parameters screening were determined by GC with a flame ionization detector and were further identified using GC-MS by comparing retention times and fragmentation patterns with authentic samples. For substrate scope, the desired products are purified column chromatography on silica gel (200-300 mesh, eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetae or petroleum ether/dichloromethane), and further identified by GC-MS and NMR, which are consistent with those reported in the literature<sup>[4]</sup> and in good agreement with the assigned structures.

For (Table S1, Entry 20) and (Table S2, Entry 14), a typical procedure is as follows:  $PEG_{150}$  and  $NH_4I/C$ holine chloride, biphenyl (internal standard of GC) and propylene oxide were added successively into a glass tube. The suspension was cooled to -60 °C (liquid nitrogen/ethanol) and  $SO_2$  (8.0/10.4 mmol) was introduced into the vessel. The glass tube was placed in a stainless steel autoclave (25 mL inner volume). The reaction mixture was heated at 80 °C with stirring for 3/6 h.

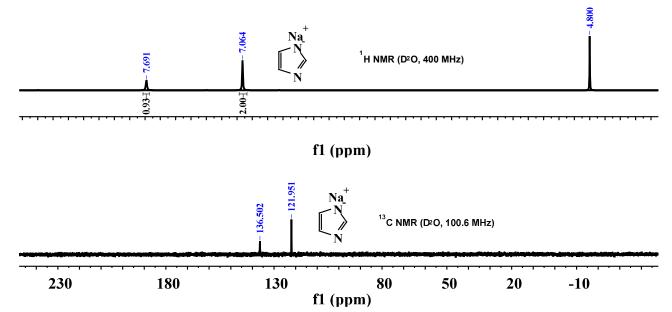
For recycle of the absorbtion systems, the binary systems were recovered after separation of propylene sulfite from the reaction mixture by distillation under reduced pressure and then reused for the next run without further purification.

#### 2. Synthesis and characterization of PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm and *n*-OctIm:

#### ImNa<sup>[1]</sup>

Imidazole (0.5 mol) and sodium ethoxide (0.5 mol) are dissolved in ethanol (50 mL) stirred at 70 °C for 8 h, and then ethanol is removed by rotator evaporation under reduced pressure. The residue is washed with diethyl ether three times and dried in vacuum to give intermediate ImNa as a vellow solid.

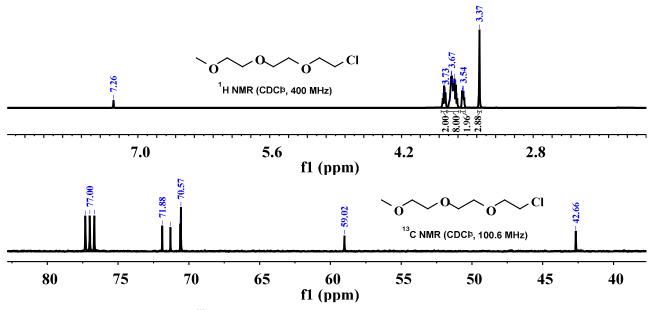
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  7.69 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 100.6 MHz)  $\delta$  136.5, 122.0.



 $PEG_{150}MeCl^{[2]} \\$ 

A solution of thionyl chloride (0.45 mol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (90 mL) is added slowly over 60 min to a stirred solution of triethylene glycol monomethyl ether (0.3 mol) and pyridine (0.3 mol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (200 mL), followed by refluxing the above reaction mixture at 100  $^{\circ}$ C for 4 h, and then yellow is obtained, which is washed with water (4 \* 125 mL), dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure at 60  $^{\circ}$ C to remove CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The crude product is purified under reduced pressure to give ClPEG<sub>150</sub>Me as a light yellow liquid.

Yellow liquid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.75 (t, <sup>3</sup>J = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.61-3.69 (m, 8H), 3.53-3.56 (m, 2H), 3.37 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  71.8, 71.3, 70.6, 70.5, 59.0, 42.7; GC-MS: m/z (%):183.02 (100), 185.03 (33) [M<sup>+</sup>], 151.08 (26), 153.07 (8) [M<sup>+</sup>-CH<sub>3</sub>O], 103.13 (61) [M<sup>+</sup>-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OCl].

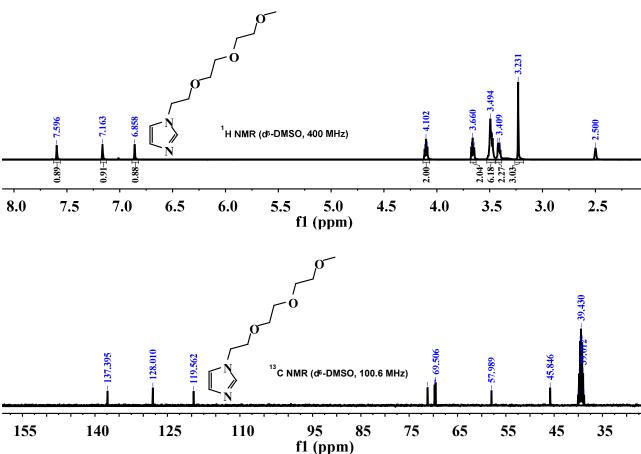


Synthesis of  $PEG_{150}MeIm$  and n-OctIm<sup>[3]</sup>

ImNa (0.05 mol) and CIPEG<sub>150</sub>Me (0.045 mol) or 1-bromoctane (0.45 mol) is added in THF (30 mL) and the mixture is stirred at reflux for 10 h and filtered, the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure to removed THF. Then  $CH_2Cl_2$  (30 mL) is added to the residue, which is filtered again to remove the precipitation. The filtrate is concen under reduced pressure to remove  $CH_2Cl_2$ . The crude product is purified under reduced pressure to give  $PEG_{150}$ MeIm or n-OctIm as colourless liquid.

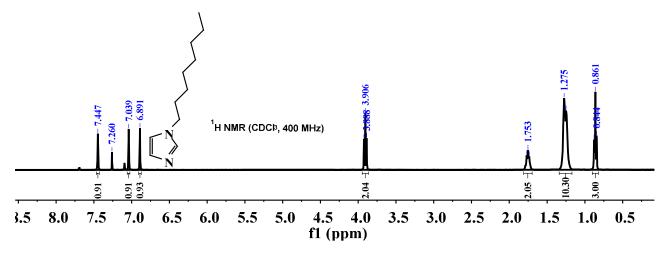
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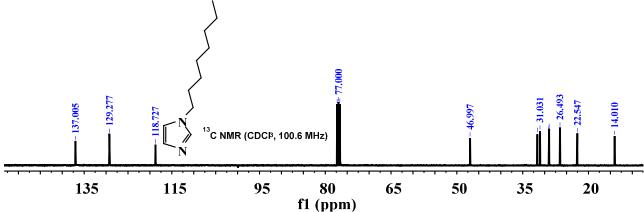
 $^{1}\text{H NMR } (\text{d}_{6}\text{-DMSO}, 400 \text{ MHz}) \ \delta \ 7.60 \ (\text{s}, 1\text{H}), 7.16 \ (\text{s}, 1\text{H}), 6.86 \ (\text{s}, 1\text{H}), 4.10 \ (\text{t}, \, ^{3}\!J = 5.2 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 3.66 \ (\text{t}, \, ^{3}\!J = 5.62, 2\text{H}), 3.47\text{-}3.49 \ (\text{m}, 6\text{H}), 3.40\text{-}3.42 \ (\text{m}, 2\text{H}), 3.23 \ (\text{s}, 3\text{H}); \\ ^{13}\text{C NMR } (\text{d}_{6}\text{-DMSO}, 10.6 \ \text{MHz}) \ \delta \ 137.4, 128.0, 119.6, 71.2, 69.7, 69.6, 69.5, 58.0, 45.8; ESI\text{-MS } calcd \ for \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_{2}\text{O}_{3} \ 214.13, \ found \ 215.3 \ [\text{M}\text{+}\text{H}]^{+}.$ 



#### n-OctIm

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 3.91 (t,  ${}^3J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.74-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.25-1.27 (m, 12H), 0.86 (t,  ${}^3J$  = 6.4 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 137.0, 129.3, 118.7, 47.0, 31.7, 31.0, 29.0, 28.9, 26.5, 22.5, 14.0; ESI-MS calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub> 180.16, found 181.3 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.





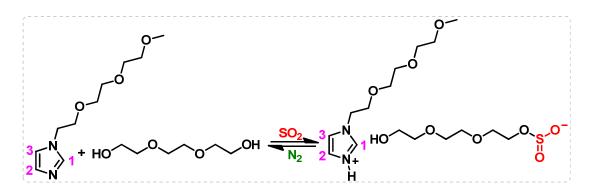
# 3. Characterization of $PEG_{150}MeIm/PEG_{150}$ (molar ratio 1:1) ( $^{1}H$ , $^{13}C$ NMR and $^{1}H$ - $^{13}C$ HSQC) before and after $SO_{2}$ capture

#### PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm

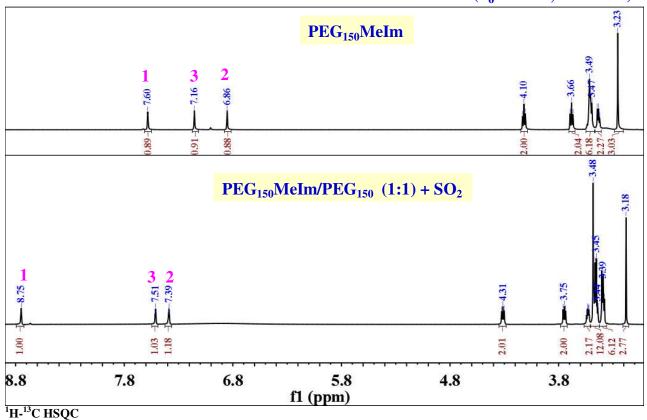
 $^{1}$ H NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 4.10 (t,  $^{3}$ J = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 3.66 (t,  $^{3}$ J = 5.62, 2H), 3.47-3.49 (m, 6H), 3.40-3.42 (m, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 10.6 MHz) δ 137.4, 128.0, 119.6, 71.2, 69.7, 69.6, 69.5, 58.0, 45.8;

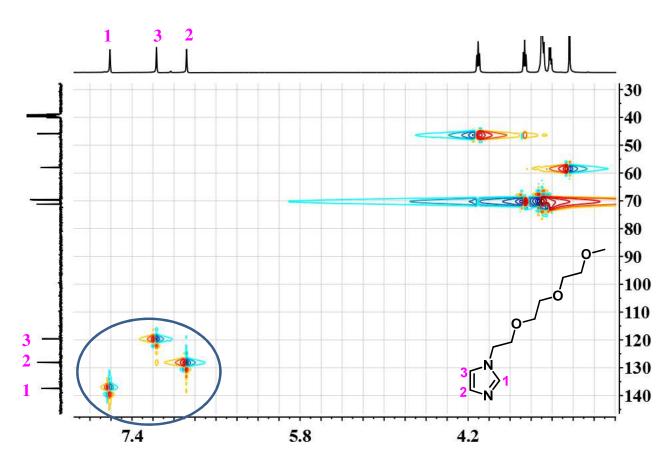
 $PEG_{150}MeIm/PEG_{150}$  (1:1) +  $SO_2$ 

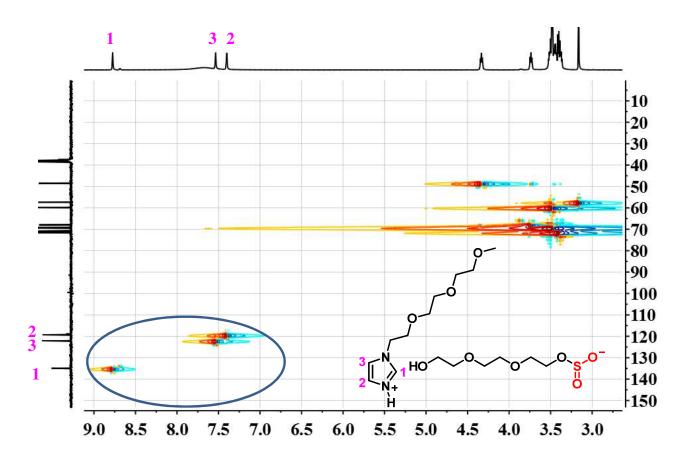
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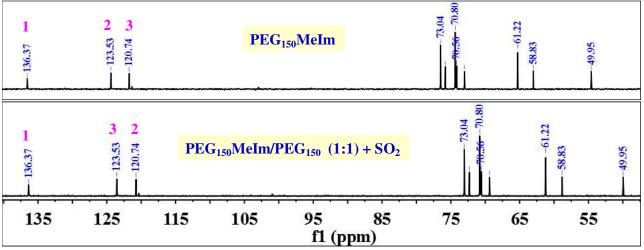
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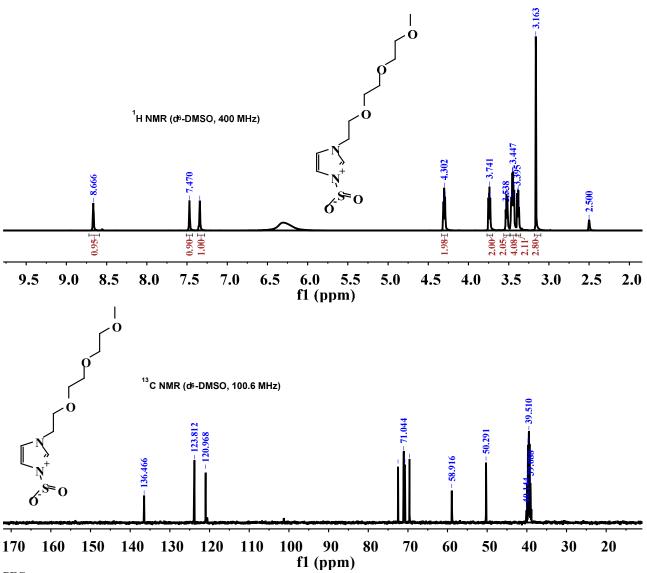




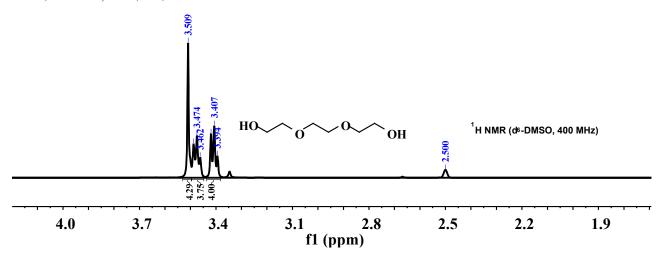
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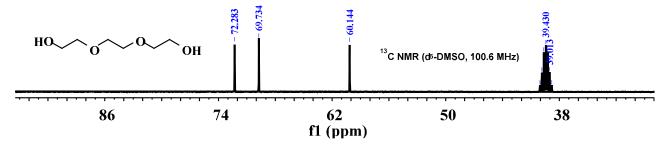
PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm + SO<sub>2</sub>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.67 (s, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 4.30 (t, 3J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (t, 3J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 3.52-3.54 (m, 2H), 3.43-3.47 (m, 4H), 3.37-3.39 (m, 2H), 3.16 (s, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 10.6 MHz) δ 136.4, 123.7, 120.9, 72.4, 71.0, 70.8, 70.7, 69.5, 58.8, 50.2.



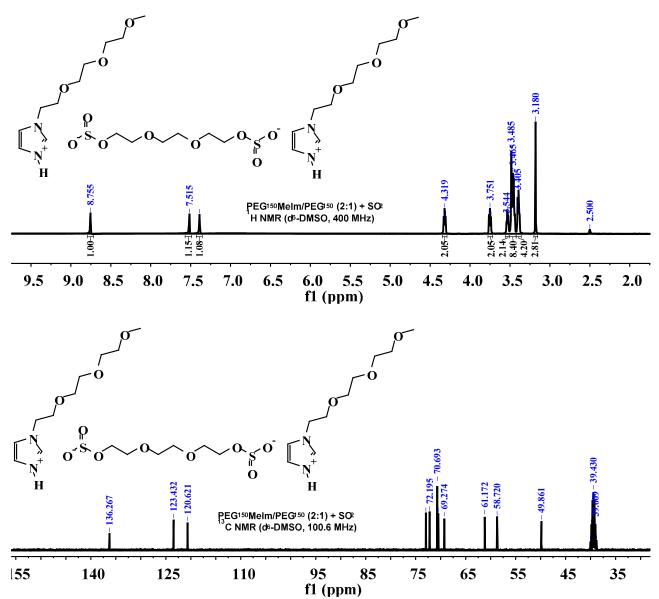
**PEG**<sub>150</sub> <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO) δ 4.59 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 5.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.51 (s, 4 H), 3.47 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 5.2 Hz, 4 H), 3.41 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 5.2 Hz, 4 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 100.6 MHz) δ 72.3, 69.7, 60.1.





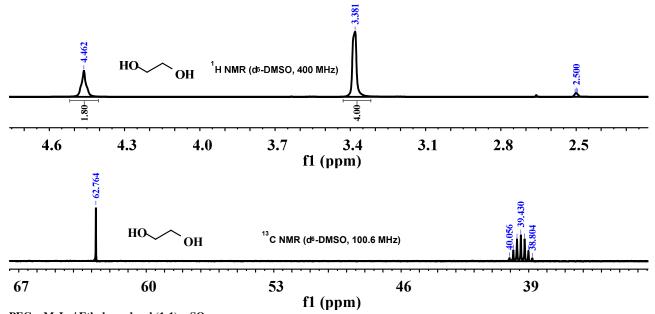
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.76 (s, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 4.32 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 4.4 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 3.52-3.54 (m, 2H), 3.44-3.49 (m, 8H), 3.38-3.41 (m, 4H), 3.18 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 100.6 MHz) δ 136.3, 123.4, 120.6, 73.0, 72.2, 70.7, 70.5, 70.4, 69.3, 61.2, 58.7, 49.9.

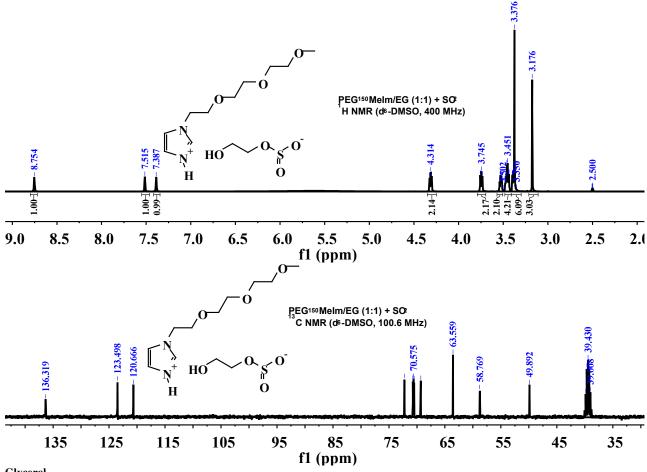


Ethylene glycol

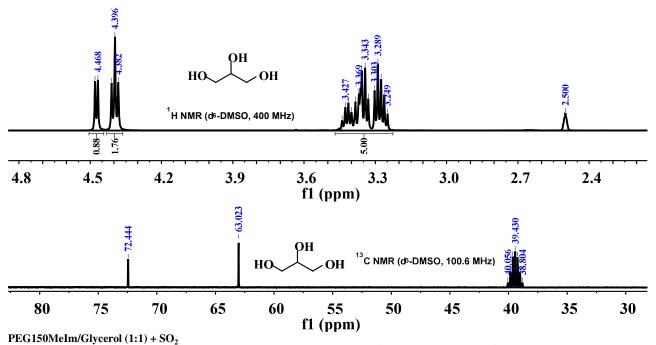
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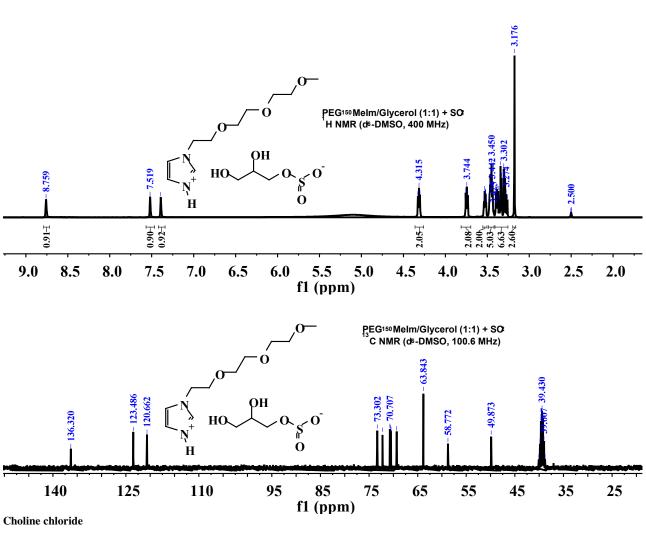
PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm/ Ethylene glycol (1:1) + SO<sub>2</sub>  $^{1}$ H NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.75 (s, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 4.31 (t,  $^{3}$ *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (t,  $^{3}$ *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 3.51-3.54 (m, 2H), 3.44-3.48 (m, 4H), 3.38-3.40 (m, 6H), 3.18 (s, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 100.6 MHz) δ 136.3, 123.5, 120.7, 72.2, 70.7, 70.6, 70.5, 69.3, 63.6, 58.8, 49.9.



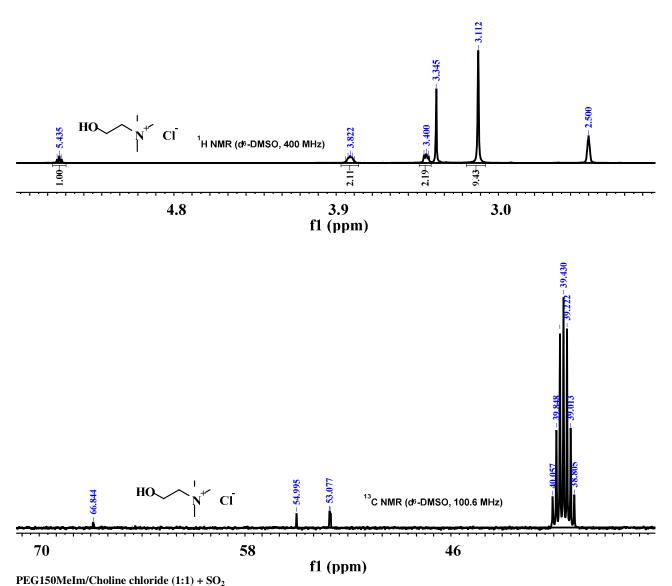
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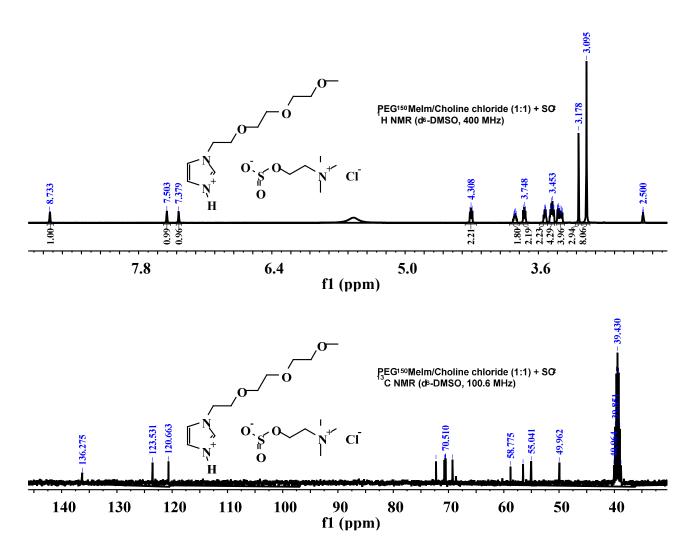
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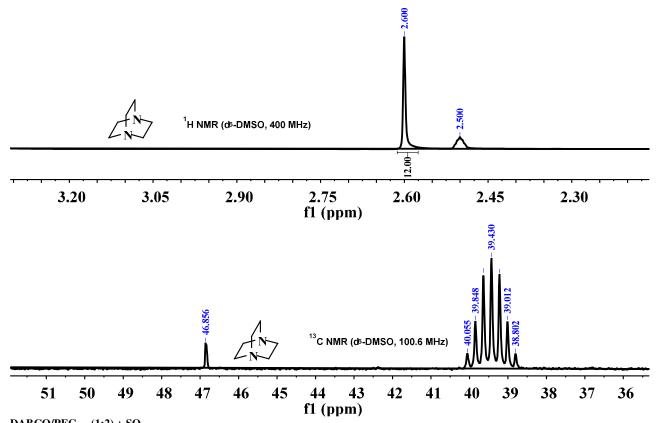
 $^{1}\text{H NMR (d}_{6}\text{-DMSO, }400\text{ MHz}) \ \delta \ 5.43 \ (\text{t, }^{3}\textit{J} = 4.8 \ \text{Hz, 1H)}, \ 3.80\text{-}3.85 \ (\text{m, 2H)}, \ 3.40 \ (\text{t, }^{3}\textit{J} = 5.2 \ \text{Hz, 2H)}, \ 3.11 \ (\text{s, 9H)}; \ ^{13}\text{C NMR (d}_{6}\text{-DMSO, }100.6 \ \text{MHz}) \ \delta \ 66.8, \ 55.0, \ 53.1, \ 53.0.$ 



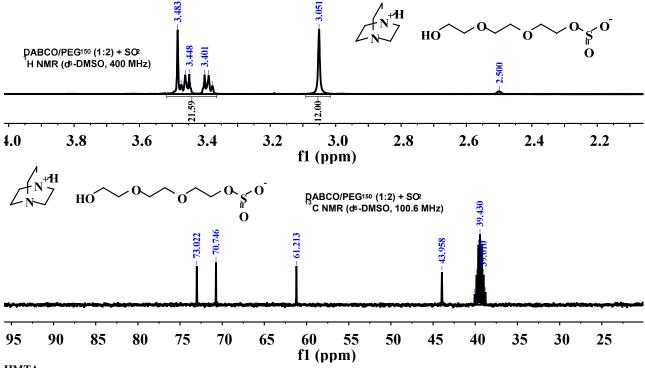
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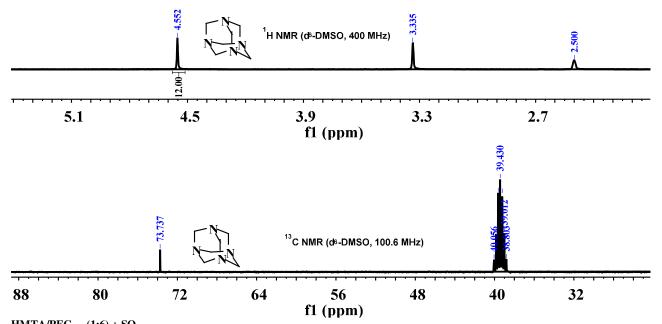
**DABCO**  $^{1}$  H NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.60 (s, 12H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 10.6 MHz)  $\delta$  46.9.



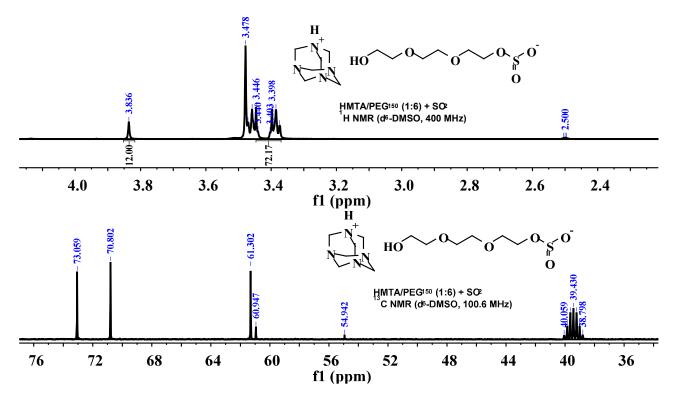
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $d_6$ -DMSO, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  4.55 (s, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR ( $d_6$ -DMSO, 10.6 MHz)  $\delta$  73.7.



HMTA/PEG<sub>150</sub> (1:6) + SO<sub>2</sub>  $^{1}$ H NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 3.84 (s, 12H), 3.37-3.48 (m, 72H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 10.6 MHz) δ 73.1, 70.8, 61.3, 60.9, 54.9.



5. Reaction conditions screening for the synthesis of propylene sulfite from propylene oxide and  $SO_2$  absorbed by  $PEG_{150}MeIm/PEG_{150}$  or  $PEG_{150}MeIm/Choline$  chloride

**Table S1** Reaction conditions screening for the synthesis of propylene sulfite (PS) from propylene oxide (PO) and SO<sub>2</sub>

absorbed by PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm/PEG<sub>150</sub><sup>a</sup>

Entry	Catalyst	Temperature/°C	Catalyst loading/mol%	Time/h	PO Conv./%b	PS Yield/% <sup>b</sup>
1	-	80	5	3	>99	50
2	Me <sub>4</sub> NCl	80	5	3	>99	41
3	$Me_4NBr$	80	5	3	>99	46
4	<i>n</i> -Pr <sub>4</sub> NBr	80	5	3	>99	64
5	n-Bu₄NBr	80	5	3	>99	65
6	$NH_4I$	80	5	3	>99	64
7	$NH_4I$	60	5	3	>99	32
8	$NH_4I$	100	5	3	>99	40
9	$NH_4I$	120	5	3	>99	16
10	$NH_4I$	140	5	3	>99	18
11	$NH_4I$	80	1	3	>99	28
12	$NH_4I$	80	3	3	>99	48
13	$NH_4I$	80	7	3	>99	55
14	$NH_4I$	80	10	3	>99	47
15	$NH_4I$	80	5	1	>99	35
16	$\mathrm{NH_{4}I}$	80	5	2	>99	57
17	$\mathrm{NH_{4}I}$	80	5	6	>99	51
18	$NH_4I$	80	5	9	>99	58
19	$NH_4I$	80	5	12	>99	57
$20^{c}$	NH4I	80	5	3	>99	. 19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm/PEG<sub>150</sub> (molar ratio 1:1), 2 mmol; SO<sub>2</sub> absorbed, 8.0 mmol under 1 bar SO<sub>2</sub> pressure; PO, 5 mmol. <sup>b</sup> Determined by GC with biphenyl as an internal standard. <sup>c</sup> PEG<sub>150</sub>, 4 mmol; SO<sub>2</sub>, 8.0 mmol; PO, 5 mmol.

**Table S2** Reaction conditions screening for the synthesis of propylene sulfite (PS) from propylene oxide (PO) and SO<sub>2</sub> absorbed by PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm/Choline chloride<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Temperature/°C	Absorbents/mmol	Time/h	PO Conv./% <sup>b</sup>	PS Yield/% <sup>b</sup>
1	25	2	3	89	38
2	60	2	3	97	44
3	80	2	3	>99	57
4	100	2	3	>99	56
5	120	2	3	>99	57
6	140	2	3	>99	54
7	80	3	3	98	52
8	80	4	3	>99	41
$9^c$	80	2	3	98	56
$10^d$	80	2	3	>99	47
11	80	2	2	99	53
12	80	2	6	98	62
13	80	2	9	98	52
$14^{e}$	80	-	6	>99	54

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm/Choline chloride (molar ratio 1:1); SO<sub>2</sub> absorbed, 10.4 mmol under 1 bar SO<sub>2</sub> pressure; PO, 10 mmol. <sup>b</sup> Determined by GC with biphenyl as an internal standard. <sup>c</sup> PEG<sub>150</sub>MeIm, 2 mmol; Choline chloride, 4 mmol. <sup>d</sup> PO, 5 mmol. <sup>e</sup> PEG<sub>150</sub>, 2 mmol; Choline chloride, 2 mmol; SO<sub>2</sub>, 10.4 mmol; PO 10 mmol.

#### 6. Characterization (NMR, GC-MS) of cyclic sulfites

4-methyl-1,3,2-dioxathiolane 2-oxide

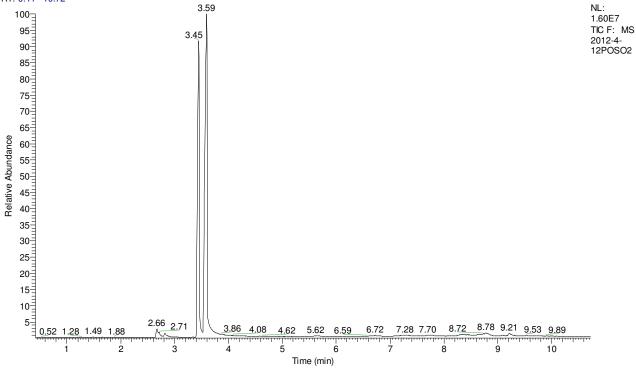
Column chromatography on silica gel: eluting with petroleum ether/dichloromethane 3:1; Light yellow liquid.

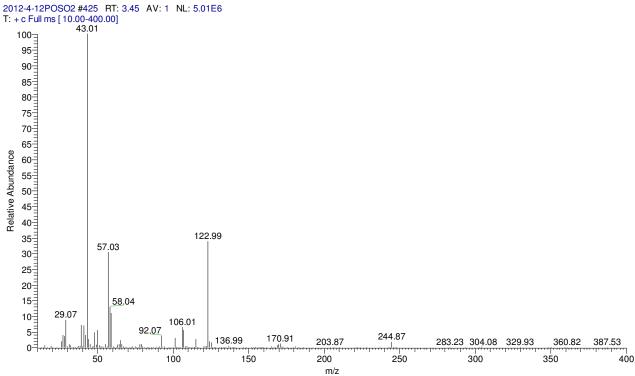
#### Isomer 1 (RT 3.45 min)

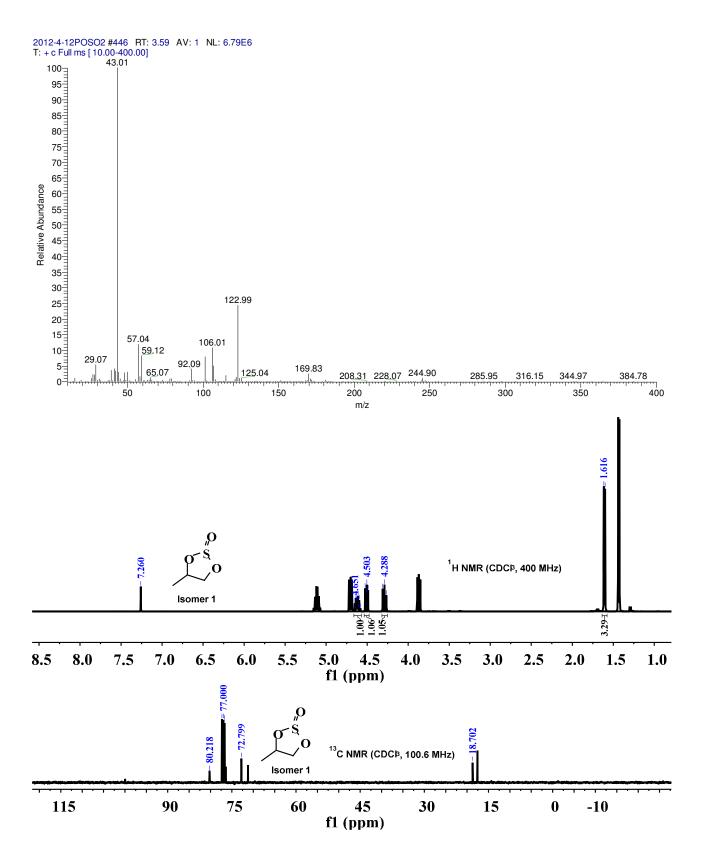
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 4.58-4.65 (m, 1H), 4.49-4.52 (m, 1H), 4.29 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 1.61 (d,  ${}^{3}J$  = 6.4 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 80.2, 72.8, 18.7; GC-MS: m/z (%): 122.99 (34) [M<sup>+</sup>], 57.03 (30) [M<sup>+</sup>-O<sub>2</sub>S], 43.01 (100) [M<sup>+</sup>-O<sub>3</sub>S].

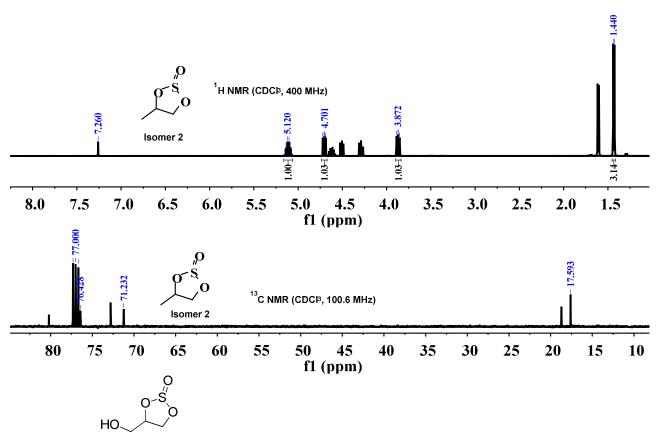
#### **Isomer 2 (RT 3.59 min)**

 $^{1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 5.07-5.15 (m, 1H), 4.69-4.72 (m, 1H), 3.85-3.89 (m, 1H), 1.43 (d,  $^{3}$ *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 17.6, 71.2, 76.4; GC-MS: m/z (%): 122.99 (24) [M $^{+}$ ], 57.04 (12) [M $^{+}$ -O<sub>2</sub>S], 43.01 (100) [M $^{+}$ -O<sub>3</sub>S]. RT: 0.41 - 10.72









#### 4-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3,2-dioxathiolane 2-oxide

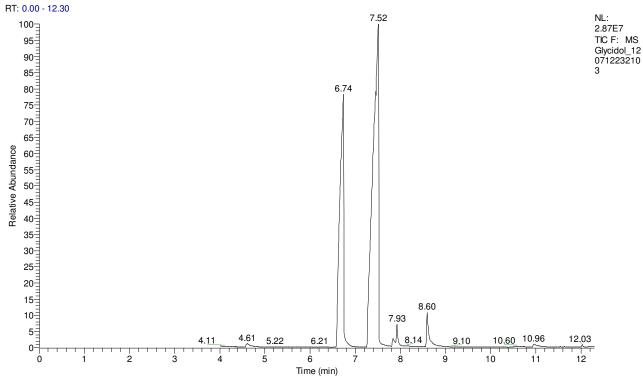
Column chromatography on silica gel: eluting with petroleum ether/dichloromethane 1:3; Light yellow liquid.

#### **Isomer 1 (RT 6.74 min)**

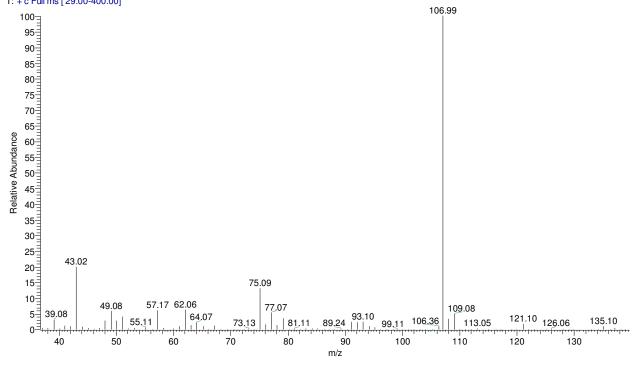
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 4.77-4.82 (m, 1H), 4.70 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 8 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (t,  ${}^{3}J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.99-4.03 (m, 1H), 3.75-3.79 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 83.7, 67.3, 60.7; GC-MS: m/z (%):106.98 (100) [M<sup>+</sup>-CH<sub>3</sub>O].

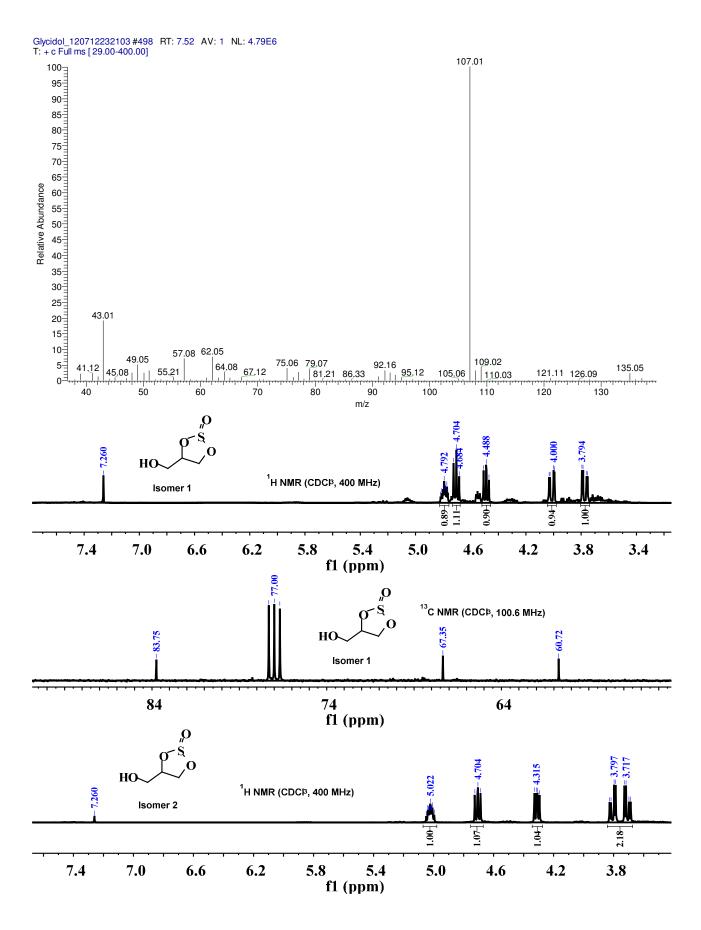
#### Isomer 2 (RT 7.52 min)

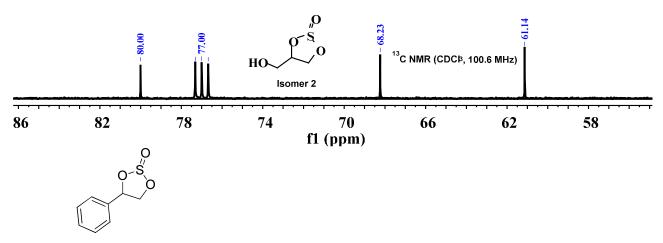
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4-phenyl-1,3,2-dioxathiolane 2-oxide

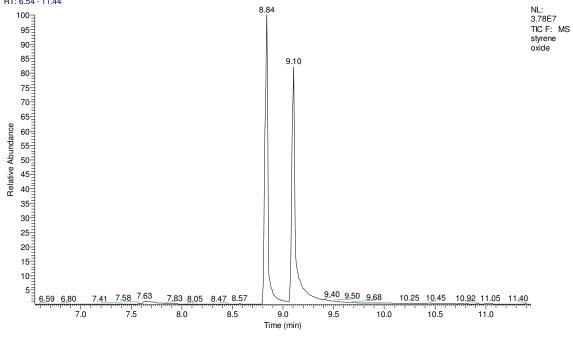
Column chromatography on silica gel: eluting with petroleum ether/dichloromethane 2:1; Light yellow liquid.

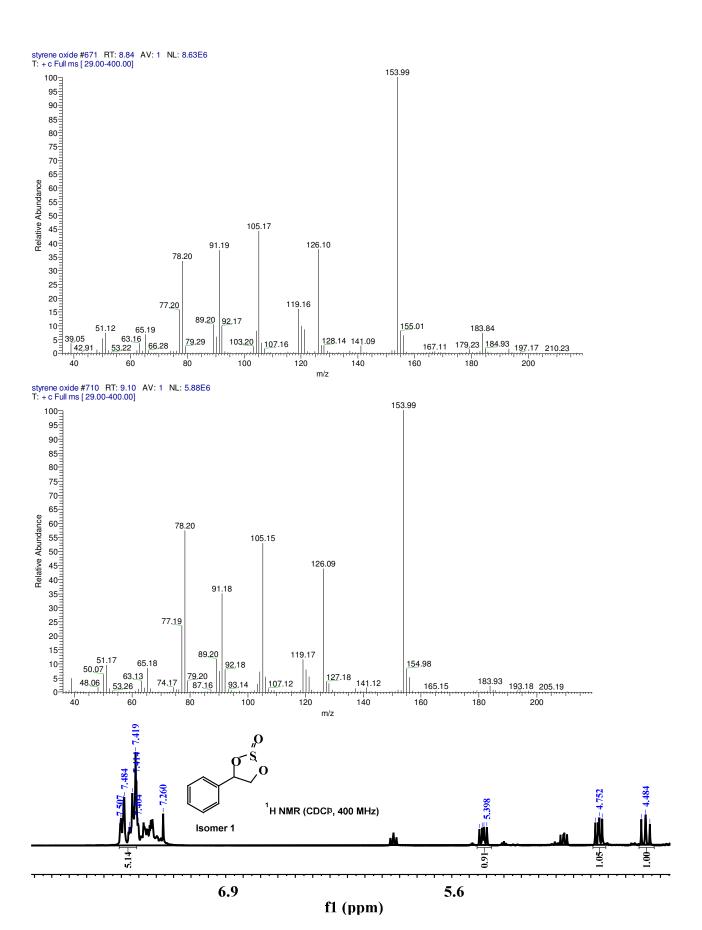
## Isomer 1 (RT 8.84 min)

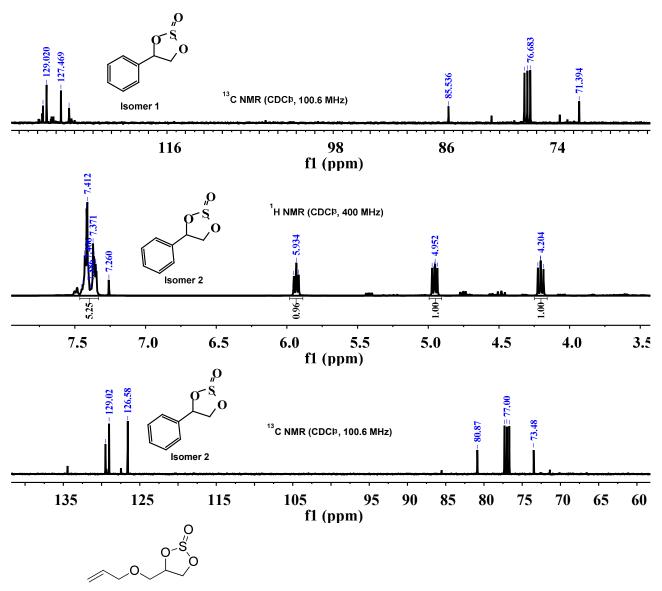
 $^{1}H\ NMR\ (CDCl_{3},\ 400\ MHz)\ \delta\ 7.40-7.50\ (m,\ 5H),\ 5.40-5.44\ (m,\ 1H),\ 4.73-4.77\ (m,\ 1H),\ 4.46-4.51\ (m,\ 1H);\ ^{13}C\ NMR\ (CDCl_{3},\ 100.6\ MHz)\\ \delta\ 129.4,\ 129.0,\ 127.5,\ 126.6,\ 85.5,\ 71.4;\ GC-MS:\ m/z\ (\%):\ 183.84\ (7)\ [M^{+}],\ 153.99\ (100)\ [M^{+}-OCH_{2}],\ 126.10\ (38)\ [M^{+}-C_{3}H_{6}O],\ 119.16\ (16)\ [M^{+}-C_{5}H_{5}],\ 105.17\ (44)\ [M^{+}-C_{6}H_{7}],\ 91.19\ (37)\ [M^{+}-CHO_{3}S],\ 78.20\ (33)\ [M^{+}-C_{2}H_{2}O_{3}S].$ 

#### Isomer 2 (RT 9.10 min)

 $^{1}\text{H NMR (CDCl}_{3}, 400 \text{ MHz}) \, \delta \, 7.35 - 7.45 \, (\text{m}, 5\text{H}), \, 5.93 \, (\text{t}, \, ^{3}\textit{J} = 6.8 \, \text{Hz}, \, 1\text{H}), \, 4.94 - 4.97 \, (\text{m}, \, 1\text{H}), \, 4.18 - 4.22 \, (\text{m}, \, 1\text{H}); \, ^{13}\text{C NMR (CDCl}_{3}, \, 100.6 \, \text{MHz}) \, \delta \, 129.5, \, 129.0, \, 126.6, \, 80.9, \, 73.5; \, \text{GC-MS: m/z (\%): } 183.93 \, (<5) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{J}, \, 153.99 \, (100) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{-OCH}_{2}], \, 126.10 \, (44) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{-C}_{3}\text{H}_{6}\text{O}], \, 119.17 \, (11) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{-C}_{5}\text{H}_{5}], \, 105.15 \, (53) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{-C}_{6}\text{H}_{7}], \, 91.18 \, (35) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{-CHO}_{3}\text{S}], \, 78.20 \, (57) \, [\text{M}^{+}\text{-C}_{2}\text{H}_{2}\text{O}_{3}\text{S}]. \, \text{RT: } 6.54 \cdot 11.44$ 







#### 4-((allyloxy)methyl)-1,3,2-dioxathiolane 2-oxide

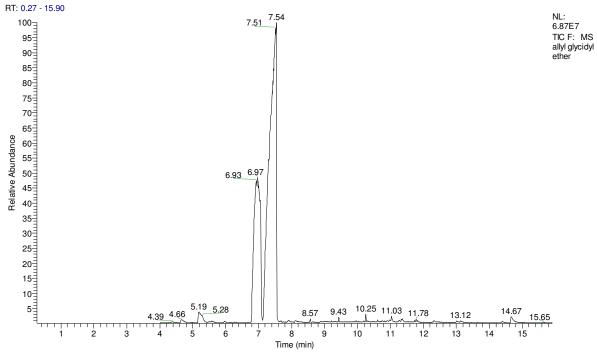
Column chromatography on silica gel: eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetae 25:1; Light yellow liquid.

## Isomer 1 (RT 6.97 min)

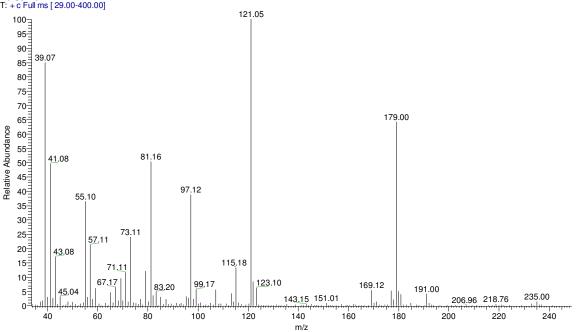
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 5.82-5.91 (m, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 4.63-4.68 (m, 1H), 4.53-4.56 (m, 2H), 4.06 (s,  ${}^{3}J$  = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81-3.85 (m, 1H), 3.73-3.77 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 133.8, 81.0, 72.6, 70.1, 69.3; GC-MS: m/z (%): 178.94 (59) [M<sup>+</sup>], 121.04 (100) [M<sup>+</sup>-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O], 97.18 (39) [M<sup>+</sup>-H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S], 81.17 (48) [M<sup>+</sup>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O], 39.07 (82) [M<sup>+</sup>-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S].

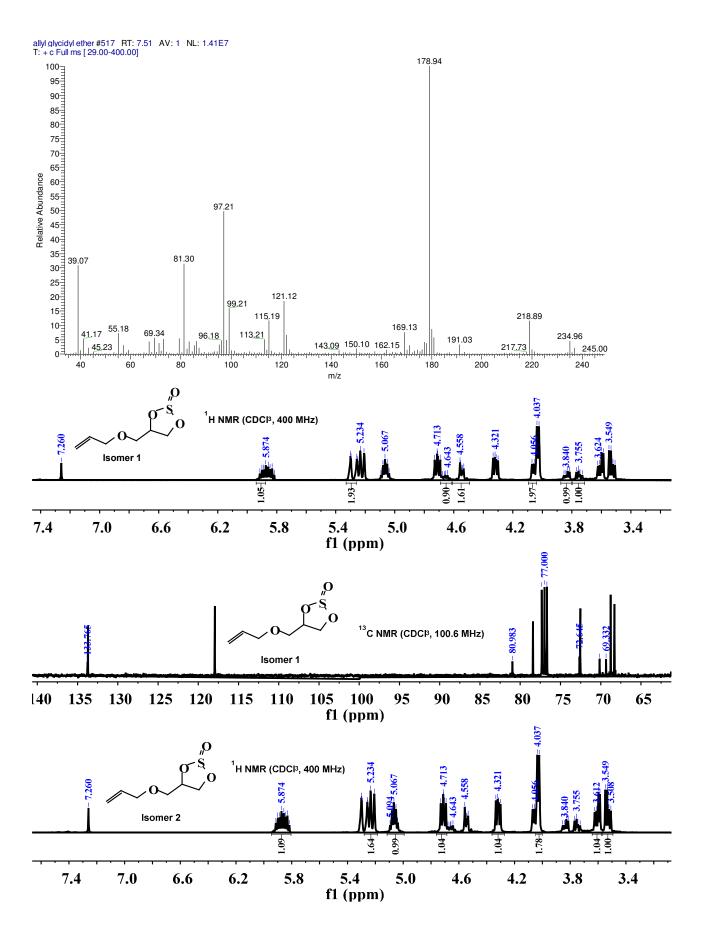
## Isomer 2 (RT 7.54 min)

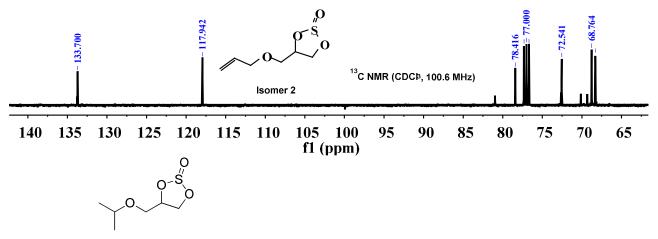
 $^{1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 5.82-5.91 (m, 1H), 5.21-5.26 (m, 2H), 5.04-5.09 (m, 1H), 4.69-4.73 (m, 1H), 4.30-4.33 (m, 1H), 4.03 (d,  $^{3}$ *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.59-3.62 (m, 1H), 3.51-3.55 (m, 1H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 133.7, 117.9, 78.4, 72.5, 68.8, 68.3; GC-MS: m/z (%): 178.91 (100) [M $^{+}$ ], 121.13 (19) [M $^{+}$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O], 97.23 (48) [M $^{+}$ -H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S], 81.30 (29) [M $^{+}$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O], 39.13 (30) [M $^{+}$ -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S].











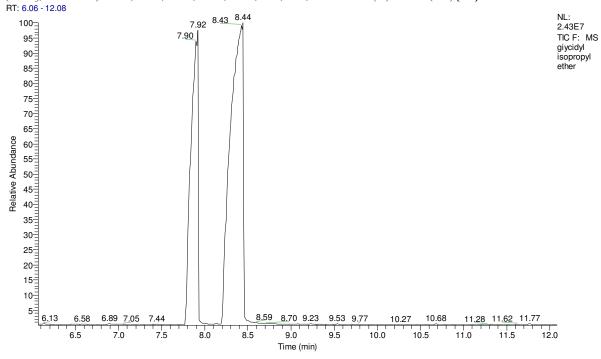
#### 4-(isopropoxymethyl)-1,3,2-dioxathiolane 2-oxide

Column chromatography on silica gel: eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetae 25:1; Light yellow liquid. Isomer 1 (RT 7.92 min)

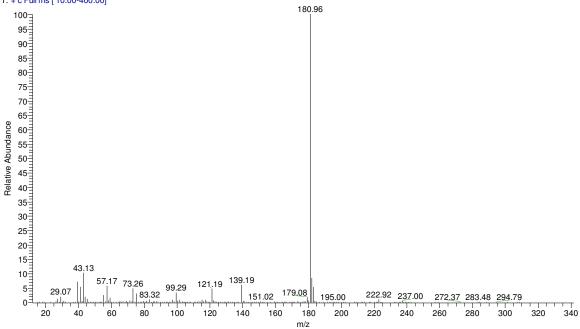
 $^{1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.79-3.84 (m, 1H), 3.65-3.70 (m, 1H), 3.56-3.63 (m, 2H), 3.45-3.52 (m, 2H), 3.22 (s, 2H), 1.13-1.15 (m, 6H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100.6 MHz) δ 21.9, 64.2, 66.5, 68.9, 70.6, 72.4, 78.7; GC-MS: m/z (%): 180.96 (100) [M<sup>+</sup>].

#### Isomer 2 (RT 8.44 min)

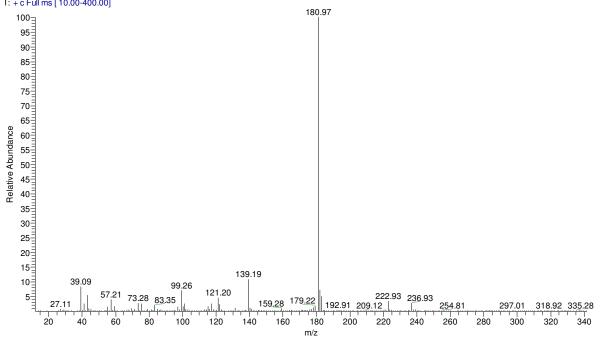
 $^{1}H\ NMR\ (CDCl_{3},\ 400\ MHz)\ \delta\ 4.99-5.04\ (m,\ 2H),\ 4.67-4.71\ (m,\ 2H),\ 4.48-4.56\ (m,\ 2H),\ 4.28-4.31\ (m,\ 2H),\ 1.13-1.15\ (m,\ 6H);\ ^{13}C\ NMR\ (CDCl_{3},\ 100.6\ MHz)\ \delta\ 81.2,\ 72.81,\ 72.78,\ 69.74,\ 69.71,\ 68.6,\ 21.8;\ GC-MS:\ m/z\ (\%):\ 180.99\ (100)\ [M^{+}].$ 

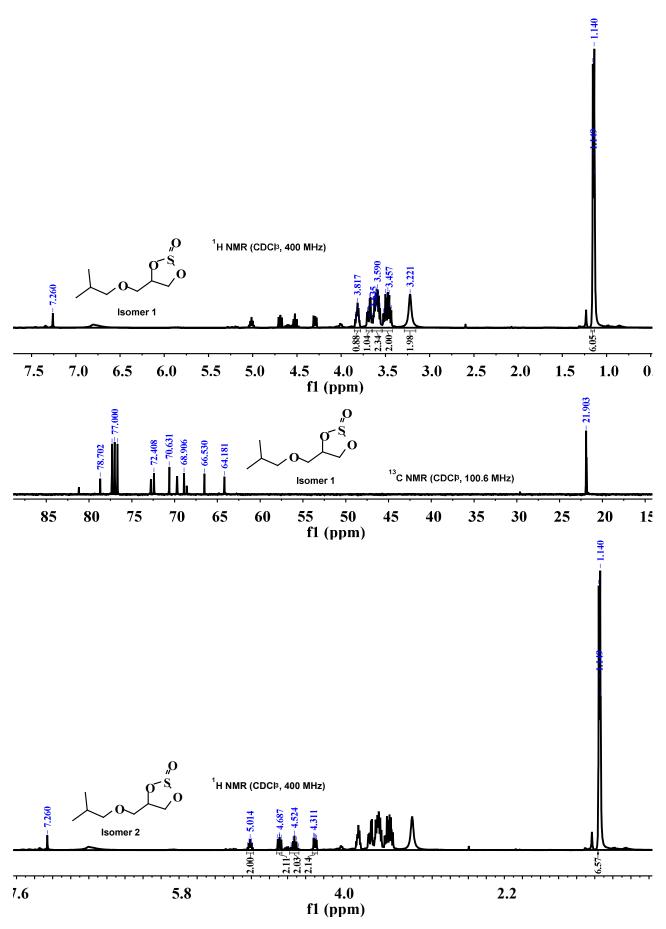


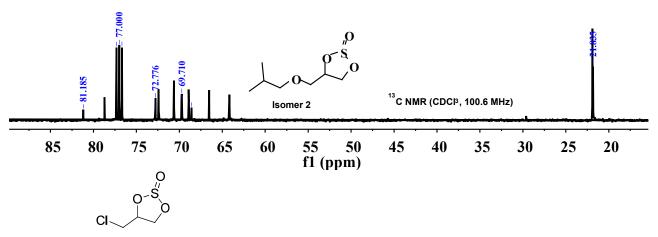




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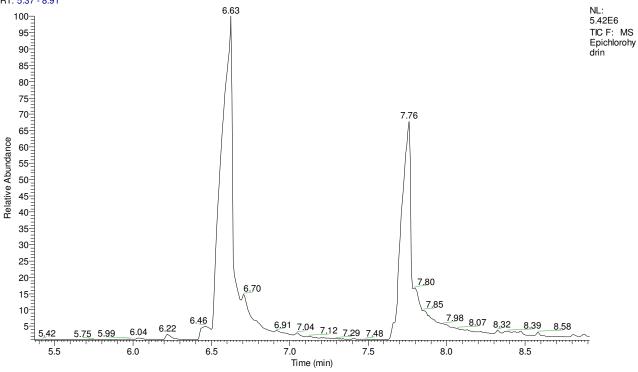
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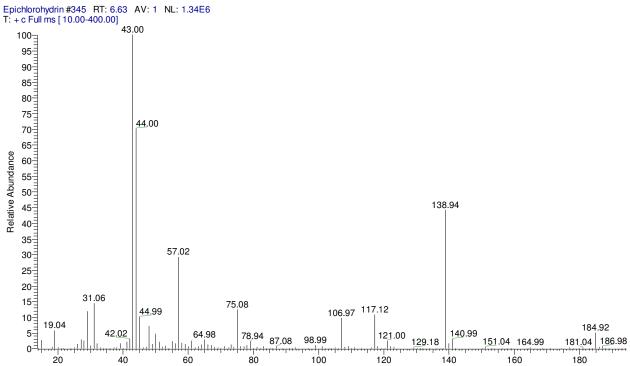
Column chromatography on silica gel: eluting with petroleum ether/dichloromethane 3:1; Light yellow liquid. **Isomer 1** (minor)

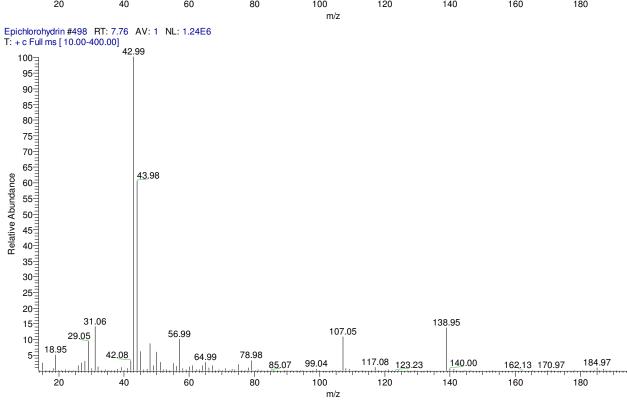
 $^{1}H\ NMR\ (CDCl_{3},\ 400\ MHz)\ \delta\ 4.72-4.75\ (m,\ 1H),\ 4.63-4.65\ (m,\ 2H),\ 3.88-3.92\ (m,\ 1H),\ 3.75-3.80\ (m,\ 1H);\ ^{13}C\ NMR\ (CDCl_{3},\ 100.6\ MHz)\\ \delta\ 80.7,\ 70.5,\ 43;\ GC-MS:\ m/z\ (\%):139.02\ (40)\ [M^{+}-OH],\ 106.98\ (9)\ [M^{+}-CH_{2}Cl],\ 42.99\ (100)\ [M^{+}-SO_{3}Cl].$ 

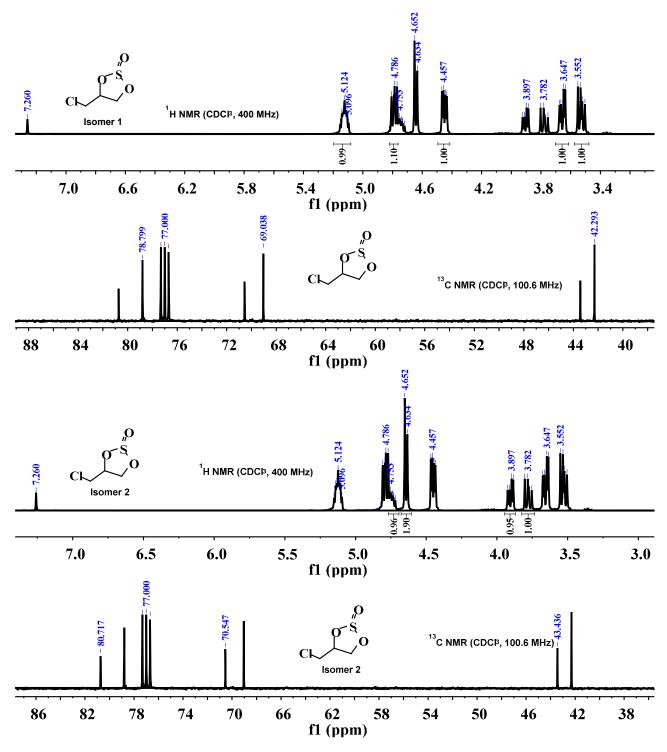
Isomer 2 (major)

 $^{1}\text{H NMR (CDCl}_{3}, 400 \text{ MHz}) \ \delta \ 5.10\text{-}5.15 \ (m, 1\text{H}), 4.77\text{-}4.82 \ (m, 1\text{H}), 4.43\text{-}4.47 \ (m, 1\text{H}), 3.64\text{-}3.68 \ (m, 1\text{H}), 3.50\text{-}3.55 \ (m, 1\text{H}); \\ ^{13}\text{C NMR} \ (\text{CDCl}_{3}, 100.6 \ \text{MHz}) \ \delta \ 78.8, 69.0, 42.3; \ \text{GC-MS: m/z (\%):} 138.95 \ (14) \ [\text{M}^{+} - \text{OH}], 107.05 \ (11) \ [\text{M}^{+} - \text{CH}_{2}\text{Cl}], 42.99 \ (100) \ [\text{M}^{+} - \text{SO}_{3}\text{Cl}]. \\ \text{RT: } 5.37 \ - 8.91$ 









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