Strategies for biobased dicarboxylic acid production

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Dicarboxylic acids are important chemicals in the chemical industry, widely used in polymer, food, medicine and other industries. The market demand is large and growing every year. It is of great practical significance to prepare biobased binary carboxylic acid through making full use of the high oxygen content of biomass.

This report mainly introduces our research on the preparation of biobased binary carboxylic acids in recent years, including glyceric acid to succinic acid by one-step reduction carbonylation, tartaric acid to succinic acid by iodine catalytic hydrodeoxygenation, 3-iodopropionic acid to adipic acid by carbon-carbon coupling, and tetrahydrofuran to adipic acid by one-step bicarbonylation. These preparation methods and catalytic systems provide new ideas for the conversion of other similar biomass feedstock to dicarboxylic acids [1-3].

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