

## Supplementary Material

# Improvements in the modeling and kinetics processes of the enzymatic synthesis of pentyl acetate

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**Table S1.** Experimental physical properties measured at 298.15 K for the compounds used in this work.

Compound	CAS No.	Purity (w/w%)	$\rho / \text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}$		nD	
			exp.	lit.	exp.	lit.
pentan-1-ol	71-41-0	>99.0	810.92	811.50 <sup>a</sup> 810.97 <sup>b</sup>	1.4060	1.4079 <sup>a</sup> 1.4077 <sup>b</sup>
acetic acid	64-19-7	>99.5	1043.61	1043.66 <sup>a</sup> 1043.95 <sup>c</sup>	1.3690	1.3698 <sup>a</sup> 1.36969 <sup>c</sup>
pentyl acetate	628-63-7	>99.0	872.08	871.9 <sup>a,e</sup> 872.19 <sup>d</sup>	1.3990	1.4000 <sup>d</sup>
hexane	110-54-3	>99.0	654.78	654.81 <sup>a</sup> 654.82 <sup>b</sup>	1.3725	1.37226 <sup>a</sup> 1.3725 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup>[28]; <sup>b</sup>[29]; <sup>c</sup>[30]; <sup>d</sup>[31]; <sup>e</sup>[32]

**Table S2.** Parametrization obtained for Equation (1), and RMSE by Equation (2).

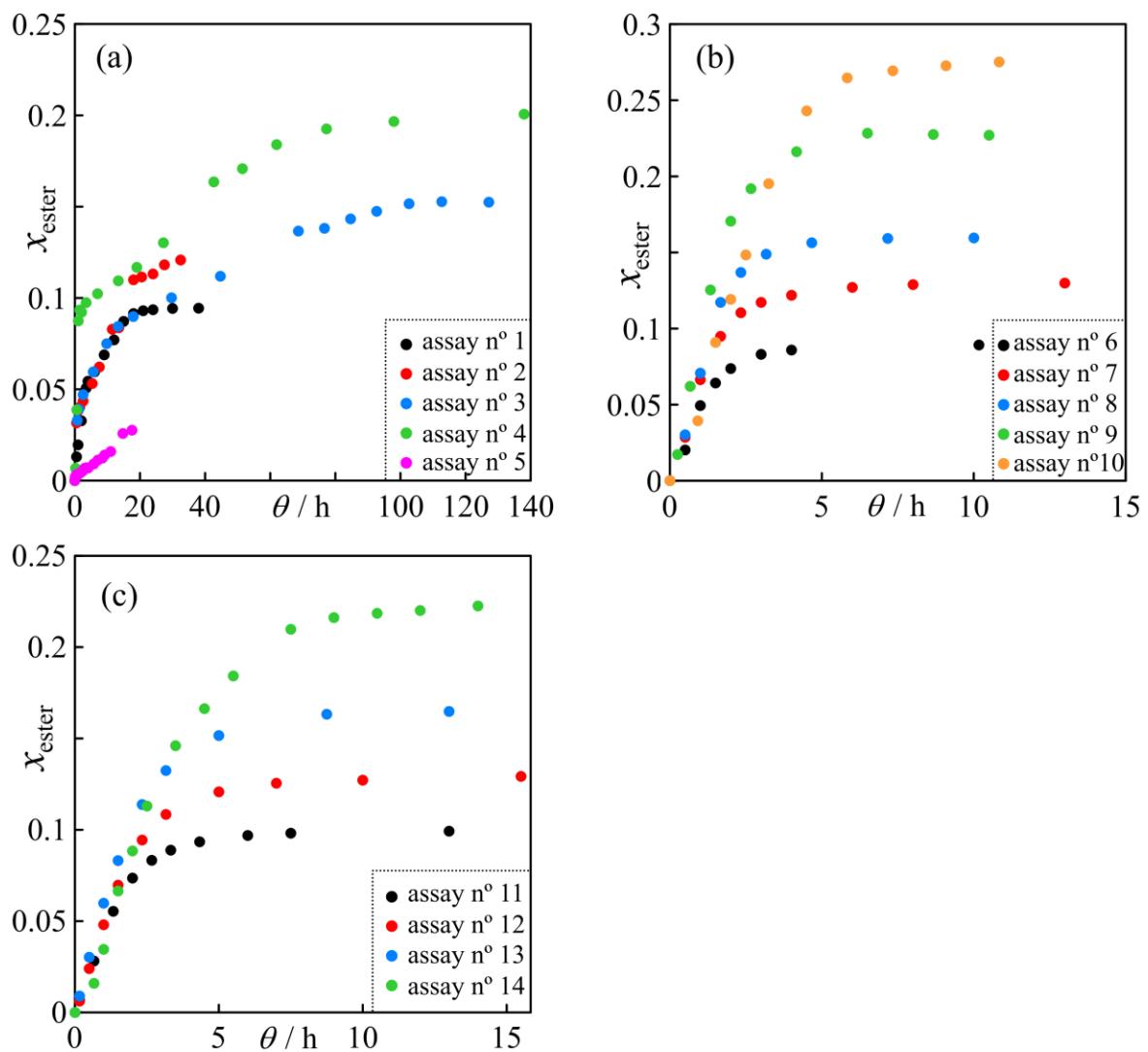
$k'_1$	$k'_2$	$k'_3$	$k'_4$	$k'_5$	$k'_6$
1.0780	1.0000	$3.4244 \times 10^{-2}$	$9.0632 \times 10^2$	$2.2982 \times 10^1$	$1.9031 \times 10^{-6}$
$k'_7$	$k'_8$	$k'_9$	$k'_{10}$	<i>RMSE, Equation (2)</i>	
$4.3542 \times 10^{-2}$	$7.5048 \times 10^1$	7.5343	$9.6127 \times 10^{-1}$	0.067	

**Table S3.** Parameters used for the calculation of mass transfer effectiveness factors

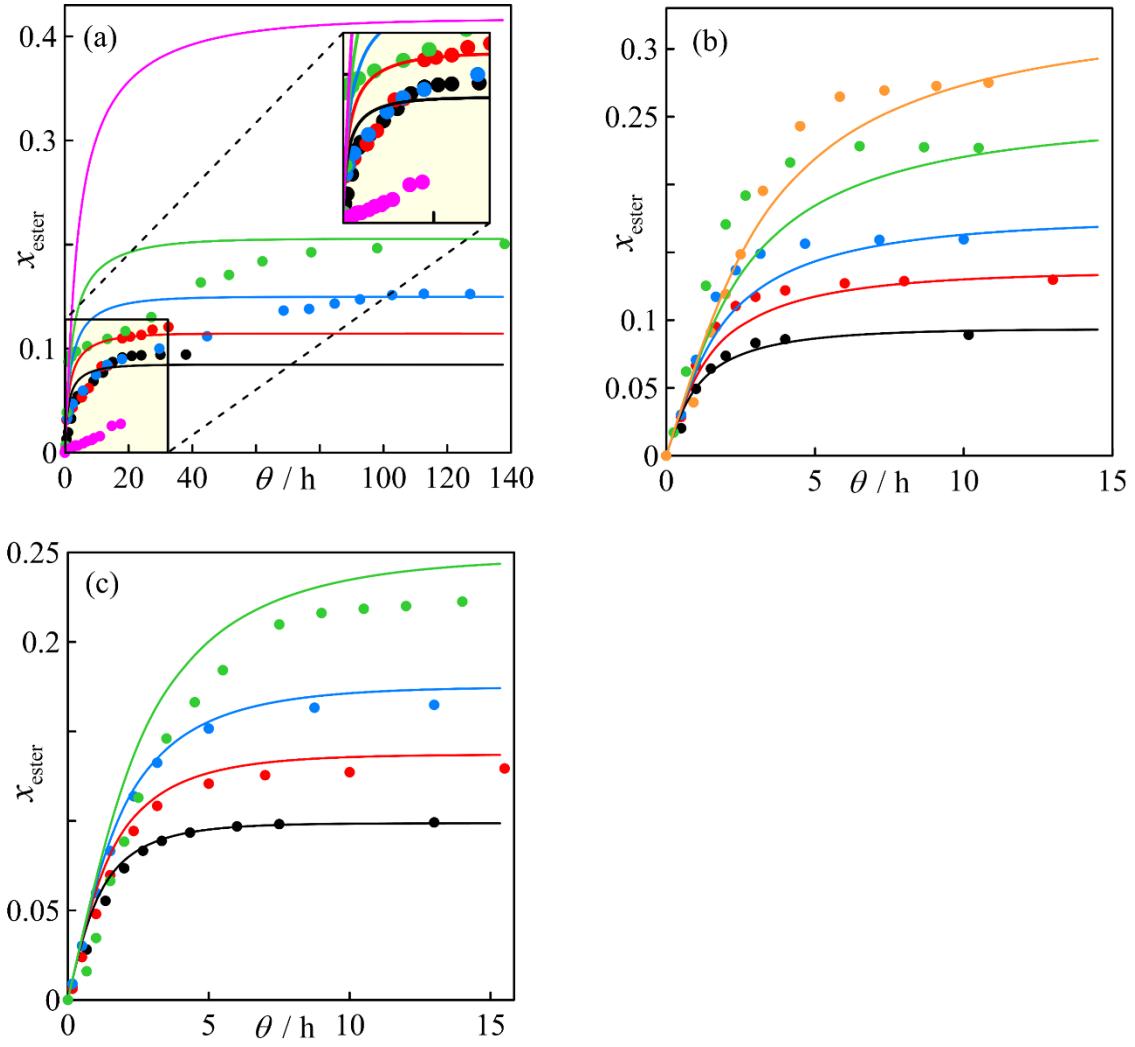
Constant parameters												
$d_p / \mu\text{m}$	452	$V_{\text{acid}} / \text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$		63.93	$M_{\text{acid}} / \text{g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$		60.05	$\mu_{\text{acid}} / \text{cP}$		0.9036		
$a / \text{cm}^{-1}$	132.626	$V_{\text{alcohol}} / \text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$		123.53	$M_{\text{alcohol}} / \text{g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$		88.15	$\mu_{\text{alcohol}} / \text{cP}$		2.2966		
$Sh$	2	$\varphi_{\text{acid}}$		1.62	$M_{\text{hexane}} / \text{g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$		86.18	$D^o_{\text{acid,alcohol}} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$		$7.82 \times 10^{-6}$		
$\varepsilon_p$	0.5	$\varphi_{\text{alcohol}}$		1.00	$T / \text{K}$		313.15	$D^o_{\text{alcohol,acid}} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$		$1.41 \times 10^{-5}$		
$\tau_p$	6	$\varphi_{\text{hexane}}$		1.00								
Changing parameters related to external mass transfer												
Exp.	$x_{0,\text{acid}}$	$x_{0,\text{alcohol}}$	$r_{0,\text{obs}} / \text{mol} \cdot \text{mol}_{\text{total}}^{-1} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$	$\mu_m / \text{cP}$	$D_{\text{acid},m} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$D_{\text{alcohol},m} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$k_{L,\text{acid}} / \text{cm} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$k_{L,\text{alcohol}} / \text{cm} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$Da_{\text{obs,acid}}$	$Da_{\text{obs,alcohol}}$	$\eta_{E,\text{acid}}$	$\eta_{E,\text{alcohol}}$
1	0.10	0.10	$3.265 \times 10^{-4}$	0.3628	$4.93 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.32 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.18 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.47 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.88 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.80 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
2	0.14	0.14	$2.442 \times 10^{-4}$	0.4165	$4.31 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.90 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.90 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.28 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.15 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.71 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
3	0.18	0.18	$5.388 \times 10^{-4}$	0.4780	$3.76 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.54 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.66 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.12 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.26 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.36 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
4	0.25	0.25	$1.143 \times 10^{-3}$	0.6085	$2.97 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.00 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.31 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.85 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.37 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.49 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
5	0.50	0.50	$2.101 \times 10^{-4}$	1.4405	$1.05 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.05 \times 10^{-5}$	$4.63 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.63 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.14 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.14 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
6	0.10	0.20	$8.219 \times 10^{-4}$	0.4517	$3.96 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.67 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.18 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.89 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.37 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
7	0.14	0.28	$1.107 \times 10^{-3}$	0.5659	$3.17 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.14 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.40 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.45 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.08 \times 10^{-4}$	$5.25 \times 10^{-4}$	0.998	0.999
8	0.18	0.36	$1.178 \times 10^{-3}$	0.7090	$2.54 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.71 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.12 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.57 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.32 \times 10^{-4}$	$5.43 \times 10^{-4}$	0.998	0.999
9	0.25	0.50	$1.466 \times 10^{-3}$	1.0520	$1.72 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.16 \times 10^{-5}$	$7.62 \times 10^{-4}$	$5.13 \times 10^{-4}$	$9.67 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.18 \times 10^{-4}$	0.998	0.998
10	0.33	0.67	$1.019 \times 10^{-3}$	1.6828	$9.51 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.51 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.20 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.20 \times 10^{-4}$	$9.14 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.57 \times 10^{-4}$	0.998	0.999
11	0.10	0.30	$5.872 \times 10^{-4}$	0.5622	$3.19 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.15 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.41 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.49 \times 10^{-4}$	$5.23 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.59 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
12	0.14	0.42	$7.872 \times 10^{-4}$	0.7689	$2.34 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.58 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.03 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.97 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.83 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.38 \times 10^{-4}$	0.999	0.999
13	0.18	0.54	$9.397 \times 10^{-4}$	1.0516	$1.72 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.16 \times 10^{-5}$	$7.59 \times 10^{-4}$	$5.12 \times 10^{-4}$	$8.64 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.28 \times 10^{-4}$	0.998	0.999
14	0.25	0.75	$7.747 \times 10^{-4}$	1.8189	$9.05 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.05 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.00 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.00 \times 10^{-4}$	$9.73 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.24 \times 10^{-4}$	0.998	0.999

**Table S3.** (continued)

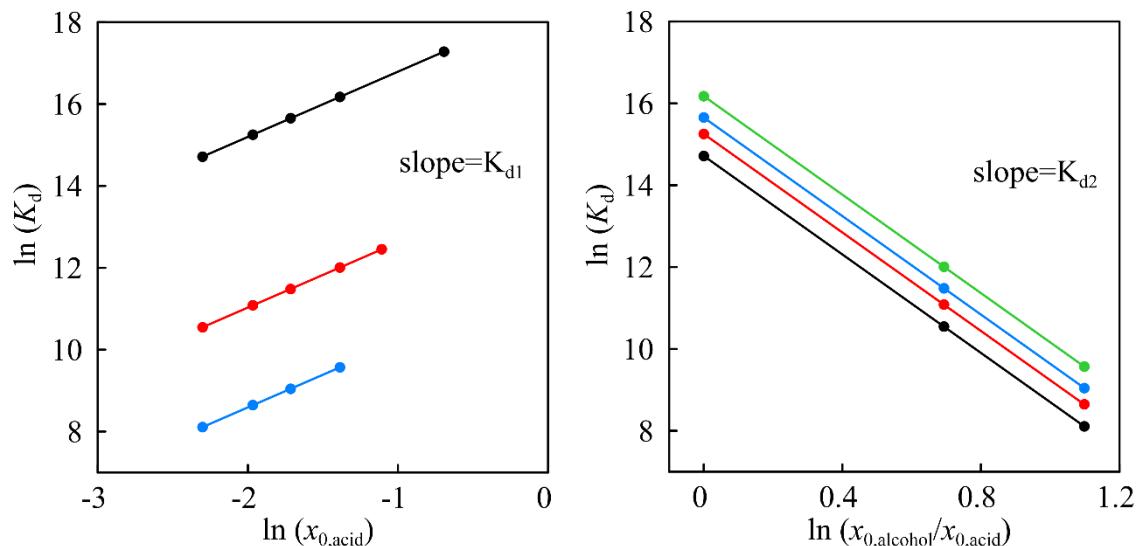
Exp.	Changing parameters related to internal mass transfer												
	$x_{0,\text{acid}}$	$x_{0,\text{alcohol}}$	$r_{0,\text{obs}} / \text{mol} \cdot \text{mol}_{\text{total}}^{-1} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$	$D_{\text{acid},m} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$D_{\text{alcohol},m} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$D_{\text{eff,acid}} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$D_{\text{eff,alcohol}} / \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	$\Phi_{\text{obs,acid}}$	$\Phi_{\text{obs,alcohol}}$	$\phi_{\text{acid}}$	$\phi_{\text{alcohol}}$	$\eta_{\text{I,acid}}$	$\eta_{\text{I,alcohol}}$
1	0.10	0.10	$3.265 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.93 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.32 \times 10^{-5}$	$4.11 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.77 \times 10^{-6}$	$7.53 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.12 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.74 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.34 \times 10^{-2}$	0.999	0.999
2	0.14	0.14	$2.442 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.31 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.90 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.59 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.42 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.60 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.84 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.14 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.62 \times 10^{-2}$	0.999	0.999
3	0.18	0.18	$5.388 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.76 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.54 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.14 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.11 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.04 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.34 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.01 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.67 \times 10^{-2}$	0.999	0.999
4	0.25	0.25	$1.143 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.97 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.00 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.48 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.67 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.60 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.18 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.10 \times 10^{-2}$	0.999	0.998
5	0.50	0.50	$2.101 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.05 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.05 \times 10^{-5}$	$8.74 \times 10^{-7}$	$8.74 \times 10^{-7}$	$4.56 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.56 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.14 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.14 \times 10^{-2}$	0.999	0.999
6	0.10	0.20	$8.219 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.96 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.67 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.30 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.23 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.36 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.86 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.19 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.999
7	0.14	0.28	$1.107 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.17 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.14 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.65 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.78 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.83 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.10 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.33 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.59 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.999
8	0.18	0.36	$1.178 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.54 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.71 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.12 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.43 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.93 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.17 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.41 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.66 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.999
9	0.25	0.50	$1.466 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.72 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.16 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.44 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.68 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.87 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.87 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.23 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.36 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.998
10	0.33	0.67	$1.019 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.51 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.51 \times 10^{-6}$	$7.92 \times 10^{-7}$	$7.92 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.66 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.83 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.05 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.28 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.999
11	0.10	0.30	$5.872 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.19 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.15 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.66 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.79 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.09 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.04 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.58 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.22 \times 10^{-2}$	0.999	0.999
12	0.14	0.42	$7.872 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.34 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.58 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.95 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.31 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.73 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.35 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.23 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.68 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.999
13	0.18	0.54	$9.397 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.72 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.16 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.43 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.64 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.46 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.71 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.88 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.14 \times 10^{-2}$	0.998	0.999
14	0.25	0.75	$7.747 \times 10^{-4}$	$9.05 \times 10^{-6}$	$9.05 \times 10^{-6}$	$7.54 \times 10^{-7}$	$7.54 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.89 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.30 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.25 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.60 \times 10^{-2}$	0.997	0.999



**Figure S1.** Plots of ester molar fraction *vs*  $\theta$ -time. Effect of acetic acid initial molar fractions on reaction kinetics at several alcohol/acid molar ratio: (a)  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}=1$ ; (b)  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}=2$ ; (c)  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}=3$ .



**Figure S2.** Experimental results and modeling according to the ratios  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}$ , and for different  $x_{0,\text{acid}}$  values: (a)  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}=1$ ; (b)  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}=2$ ; (c)  $x_{0,\text{alcohol}}/x_{0,\text{acid}}=3$ . (●) 0.10; (●) 0.14; (●) 0.18; (●) 0.25; (●) 0.33; (●) 0.50. The coloured-lines correspond to the representation by modeling using Equation (1).



**Figure S3.** Graphical representation of the empirical correlation Equation (4).