

Supporting Information

Pyrolysis and Combustion Behavior of Flax Straw as Biomass: Evaluation of Kinetic, Thermodynamic Parameters, and Qualitative Analysis of Degradation Products

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Table S1: list of elements presents in ash of flax straw biomass

Type of Elements	wt%
Mg	4.9
Al	0.9
Si	37.2
P	3.8
S	1.3
Cl	3.6
Cu	0.1
Fe	1.6
Mn	0.3
Ti	0.1
K	26.1
Ca	19.9
Sr	0.1

Table S2: Intercept and slope of pyrolysis and combustion of flax straw biomass from Friedman, KAS, and OFW methods

Kinetic Method	Conversion (α)	Pyrolysis		Combustion	
		intercept	slope	intercept	slope
Freidman	0.1	32.6	-19972	94.6	-53042
	0.2	36.4	-22595	102.9	-60071
	0.3	41.5	-26268	62.5	-40285
	0.4	31.4	-20691	71.9	-44539
	0.5	22.2	-15510	52.9	-33829
	0.6	14.4	-10938	135.2	-85262
KAS	0.1	6.8	-9640	38.0	-26193
	0.2	14.6	-14569	50.0	-34315
	0.3	20.2	-18339	26.5	-22515
	0.4	14.9	-15587	35.3	-27349
	0.5	17.3	-17526	29.6	-24476
	0.6	10.2	-13383	36.8	-29303
OFW	0.1	22.2	-11117	66.2	-34564
	0.2	30.1	-16149	86.7	-47809
	0.3	33.8	-18803	70.8	-39741
	0.4	29.8	-16834	66.1	-38073
	0.5	31.3	-18262	64.9	-38052
	0.6	24.8	-14416	70.7	-42225

Table S3: Differential and integral forms of kinetic models used in solid-state kinetic.

Model Code	Differential Form, $f(\alpha)$	Integral Form, $g(\alpha)$
F ₁	(1- α)	-ln (1- α)
F ₂	(1- α) ²	(1- α) ⁻¹ -1
G ₁	1-{2 (1- α)}	1- (1- α) ²
G ₂	1/[3(1 - α) ²]	1 - (1 - α) ³
P ₂	2 α ^{1/2}	α ^{1/2}
P ₃	3 α ^{2/3}	α ^{1/3}
P ₄	4 α ^{3/4}	α ^{1/4}
A ₁ (F ₁)	(1- α)	-ln(1- α)
Avarami-Erofeev A ₂	2(1 - α)[-ln(1 - α)] ^{1/2}	[-ln(1 - α)] ^{1/2}
Avarami-Erofeev A ₃	3(1 - α)[-ln(1 - α)] ^{2/3}	[-ln(1 - α)] ^{1/3}
Avarami-Erofeev A ₄	4(1 - α)[-ln(1 - α)] ^{3/4}	[-ln(1 - α)] ^{1/4}
A _{3/2}	3/2(1 - α)[-ln(1 - α)] ^{1/3}	-ln(1 - α) ^{2/3}
A _{1/2}	1/2(1 - α)[-ln(1 - α)] ⁽⁻¹⁾	[-ln(1 - α)] ²
A _{1/3}	1/3(1 - α)[-ln(1 - α)] ⁽⁻²⁾	[-ln(1 - α)] ³
D ₁	1/(2 α)	α ²
D ₂	[- ln(1 - α)] ⁻¹	[(1 - α)ln(1 - α)]+ α
R ₁	1	α
R ₂	2(1 - α) ^{1/2}	[1 - (1 - α) ^{1/2}]
R ₃	3(1 - α) ^{2/3}	[1 - (1 - α) ^{1/3}]

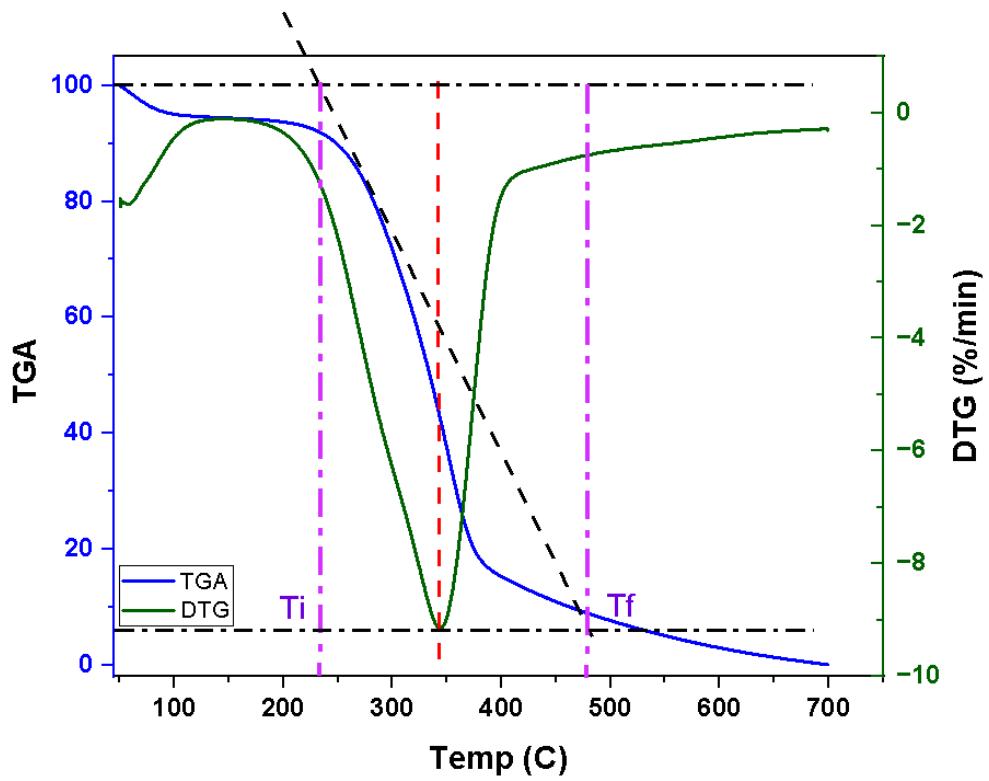
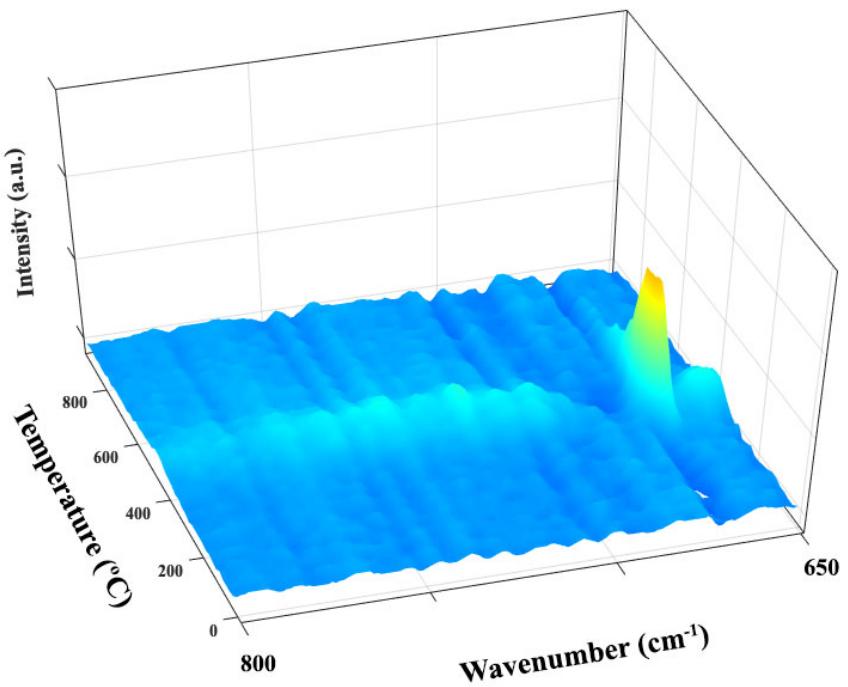
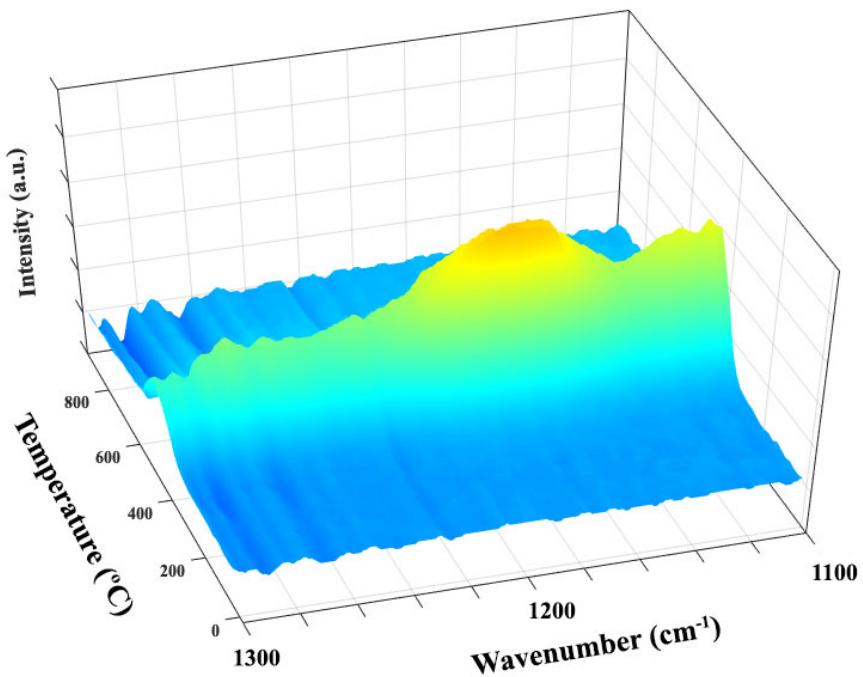


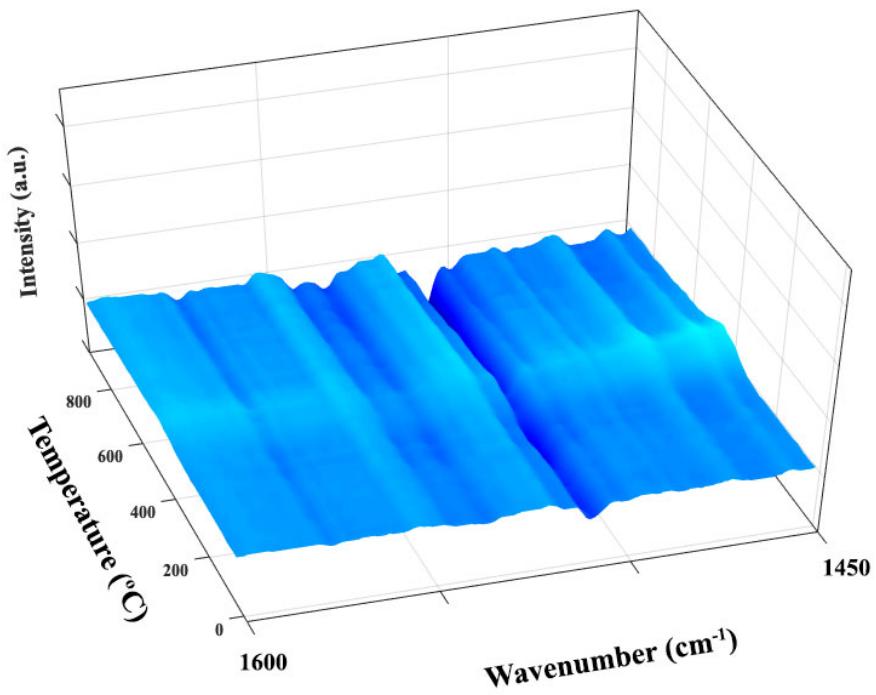
Figure S1: Calculation of T_i and T_f (Black Line: Tangent line)



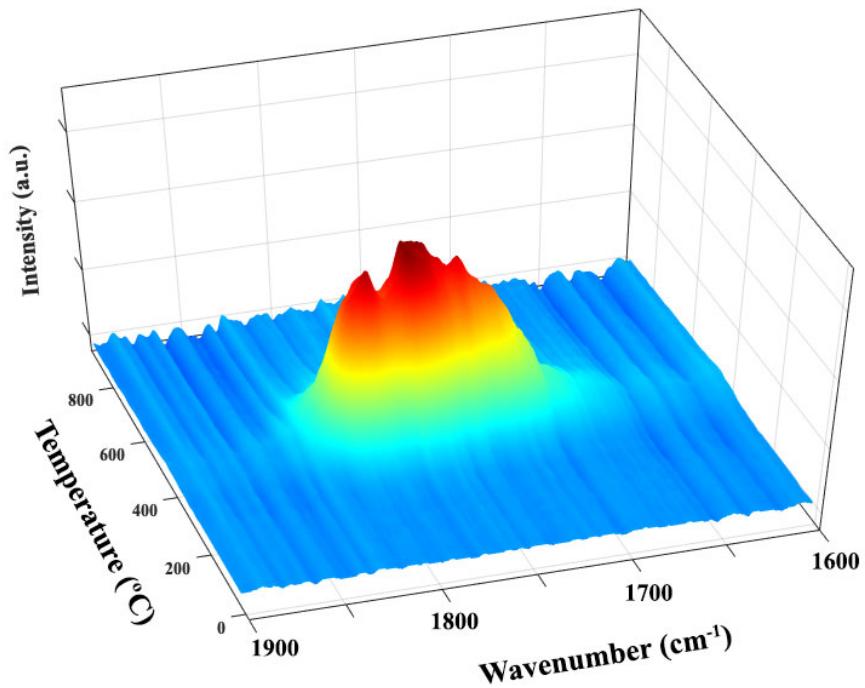
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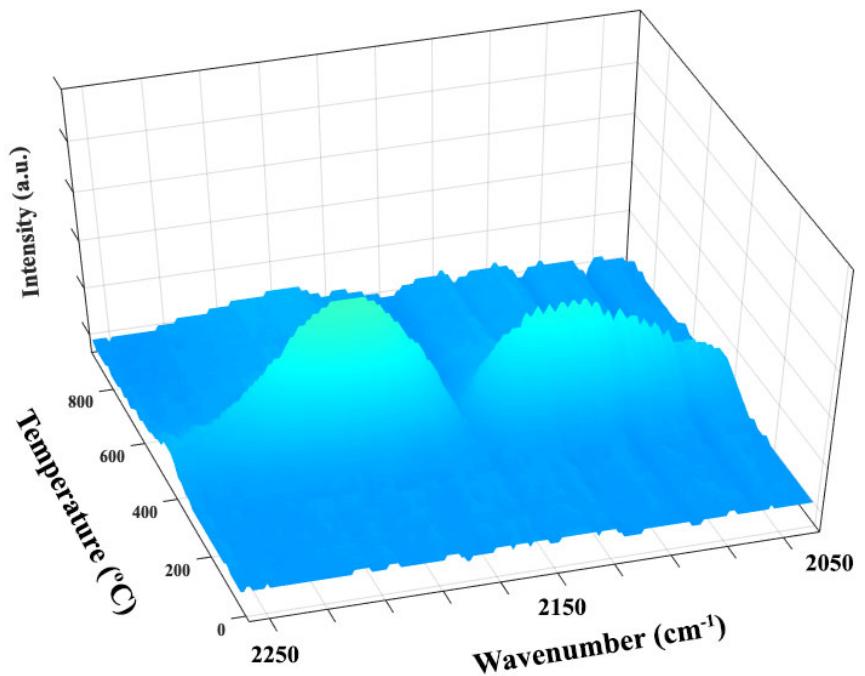
(b) 1100-1300 cm⁻¹ Ethers and Alcohols



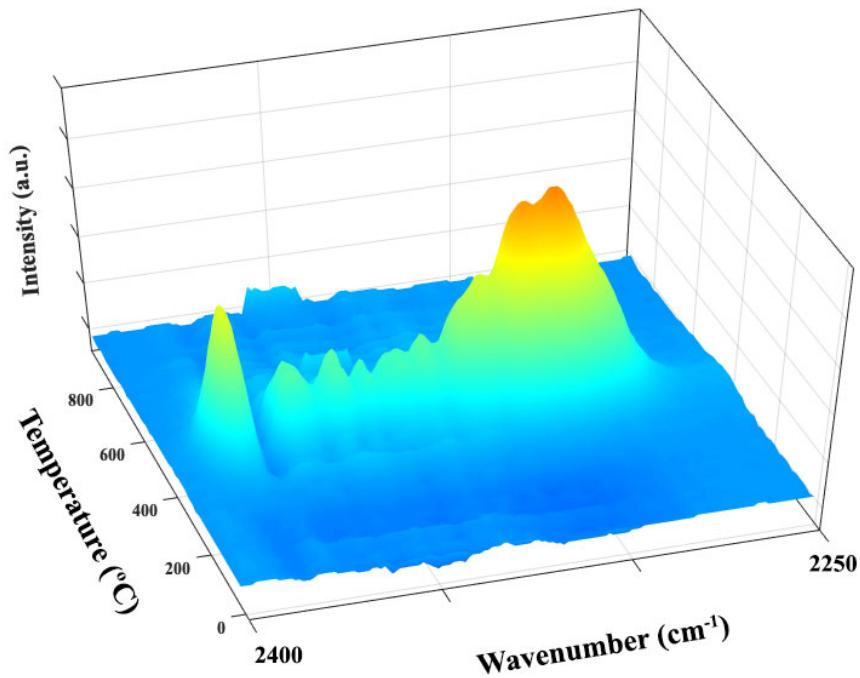
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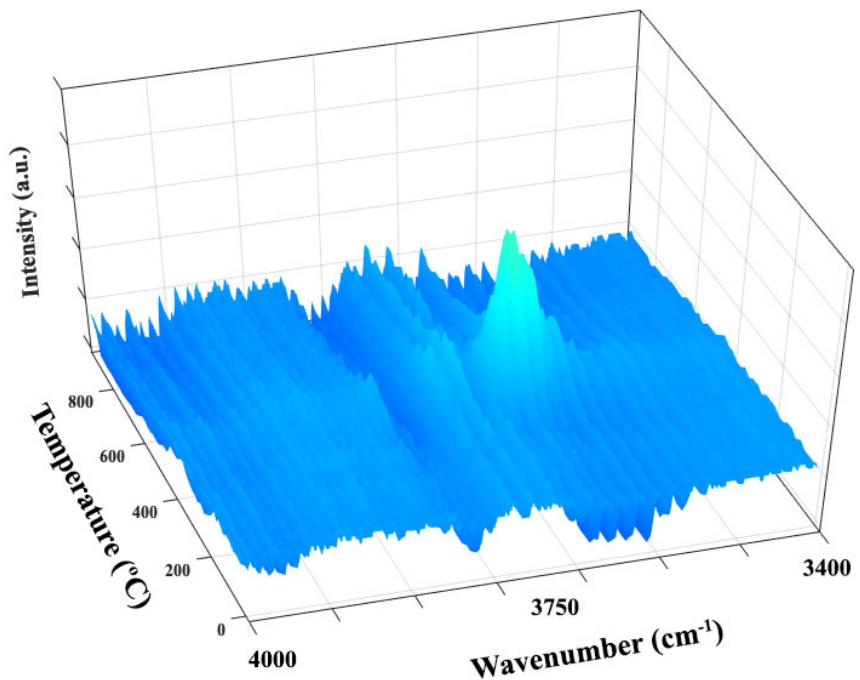
(d) 1600-1900 cm⁻¹ Carboxylic acids



(e) 2050-2250 cm^{-1} CO



(f) 2250-2400 cm^{-1} CO_2



(g) 3400-4000 cm^{-1} Hydrogen bond

Figure S2: 3D FT-IR profiles of the evolved gases released from flax straw during pyrolysis focused spectra in each region.

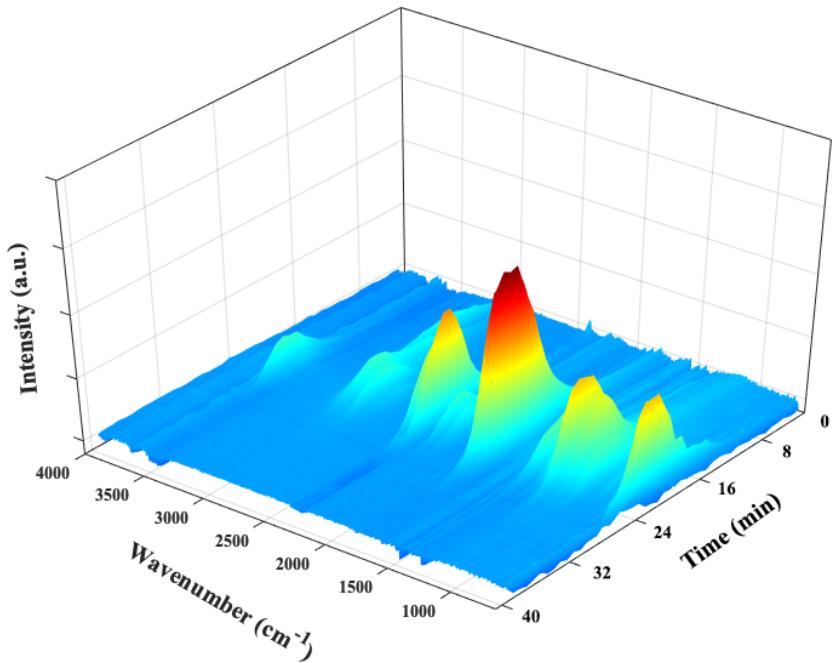
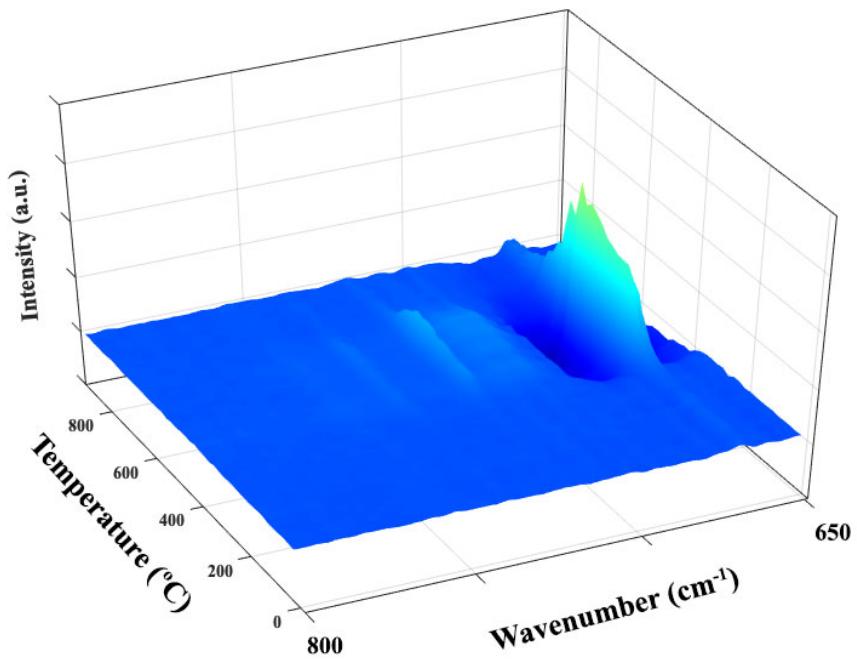
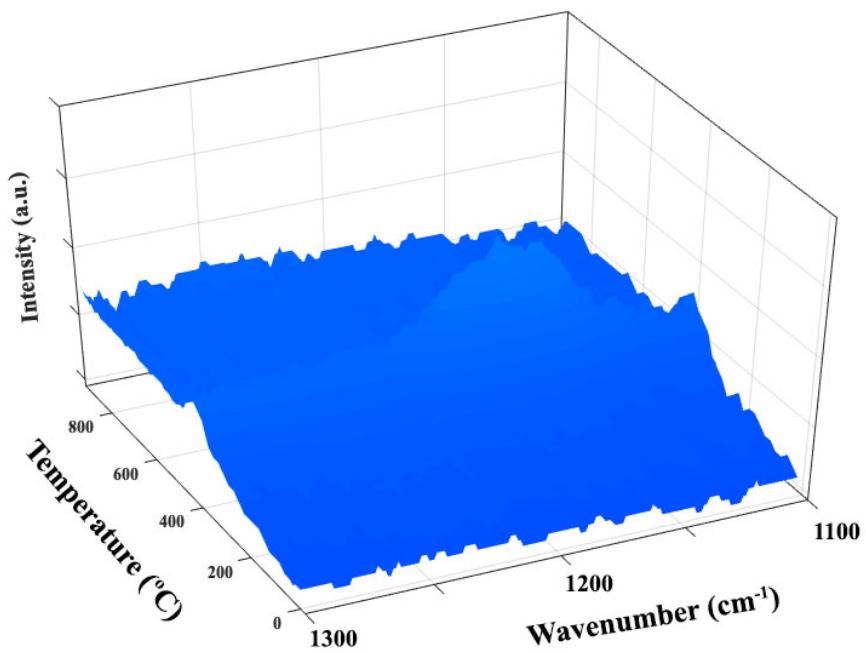


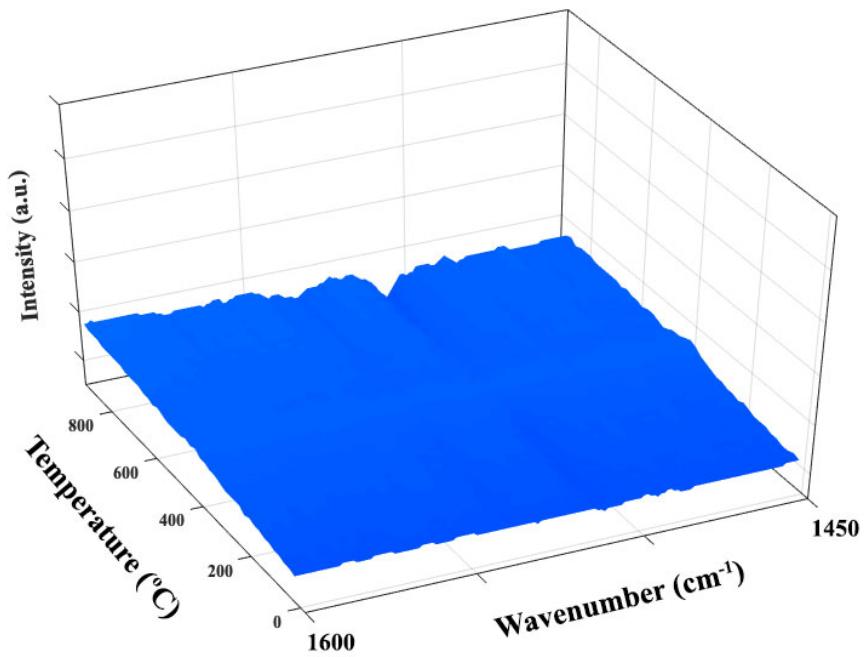
Figure S3: 3D FT-IR profiles of the evolved gases released from flax straw during pyrolysis (time based)



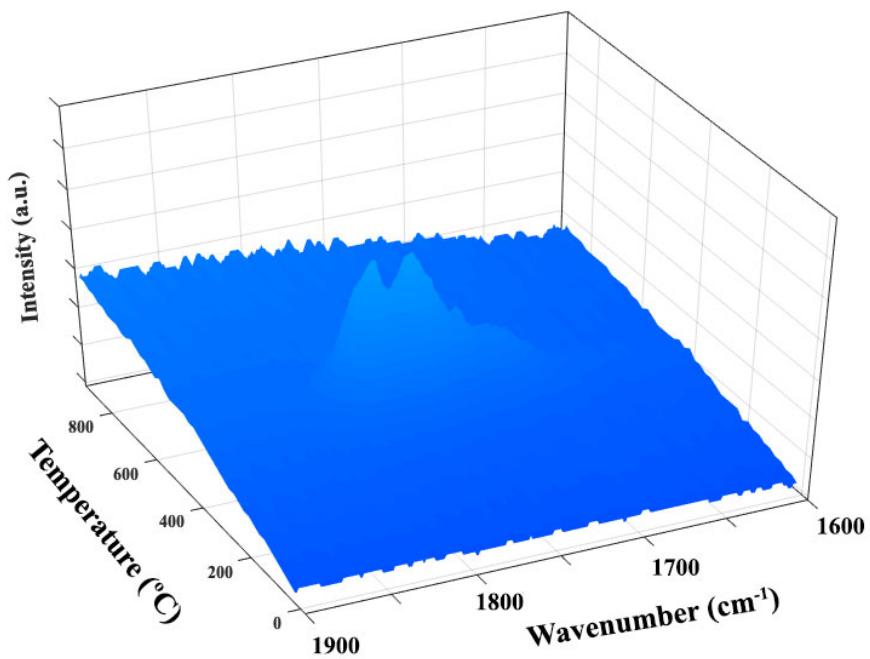
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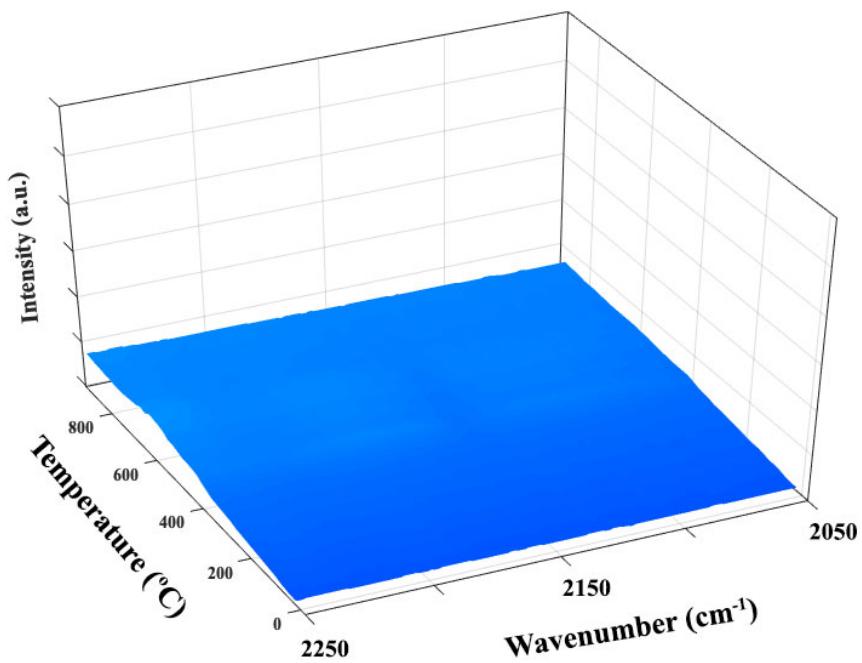
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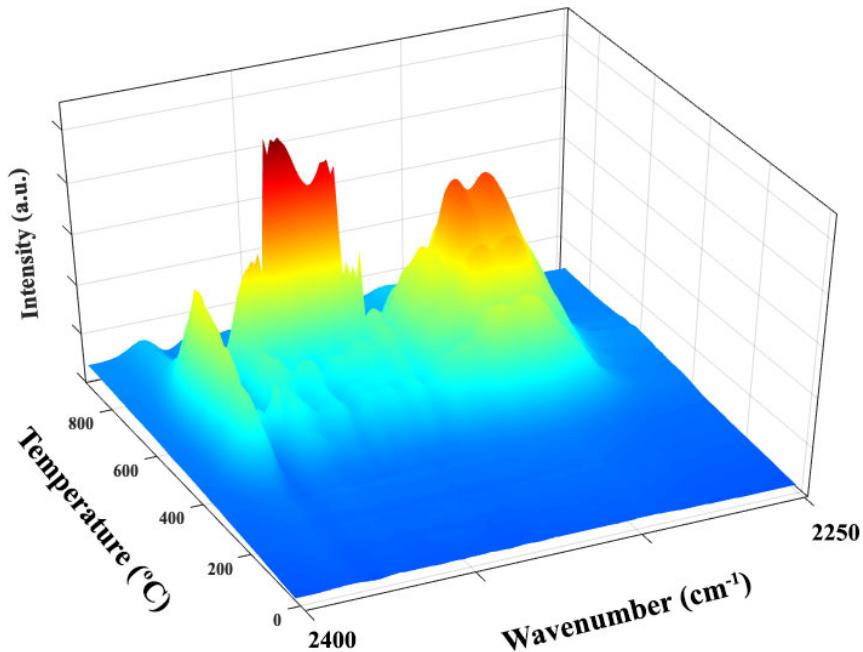
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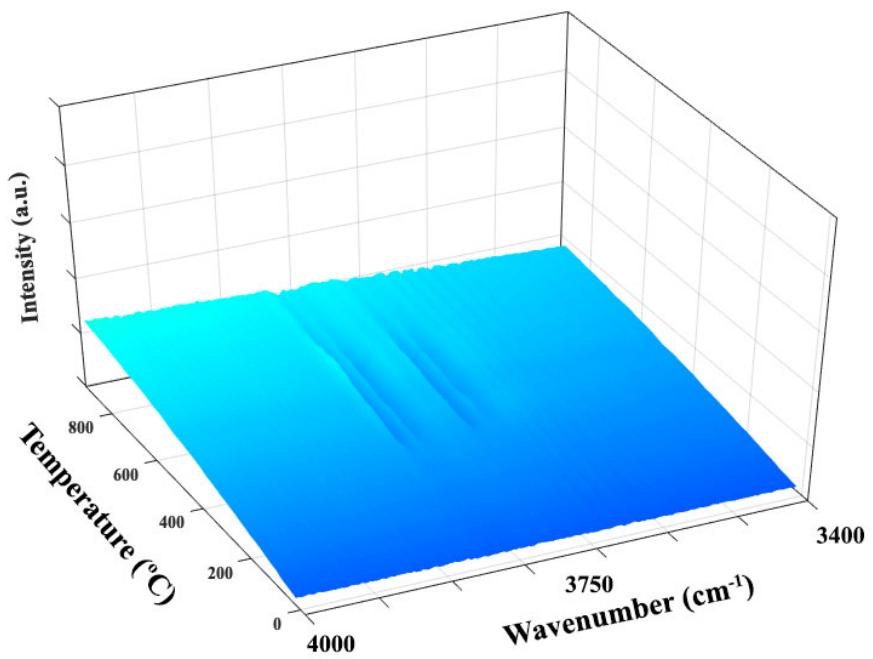
(d) 1600-1900 cm⁻¹ Carboxylic acids



(e) 2050-2250 cm^{-1} CO



(f) 2250-2400 cm^{-1} CO_2



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Figure S4: 3D FT-IR profiles of the evolved gases released from flax straw during combustion focused spectra in each region

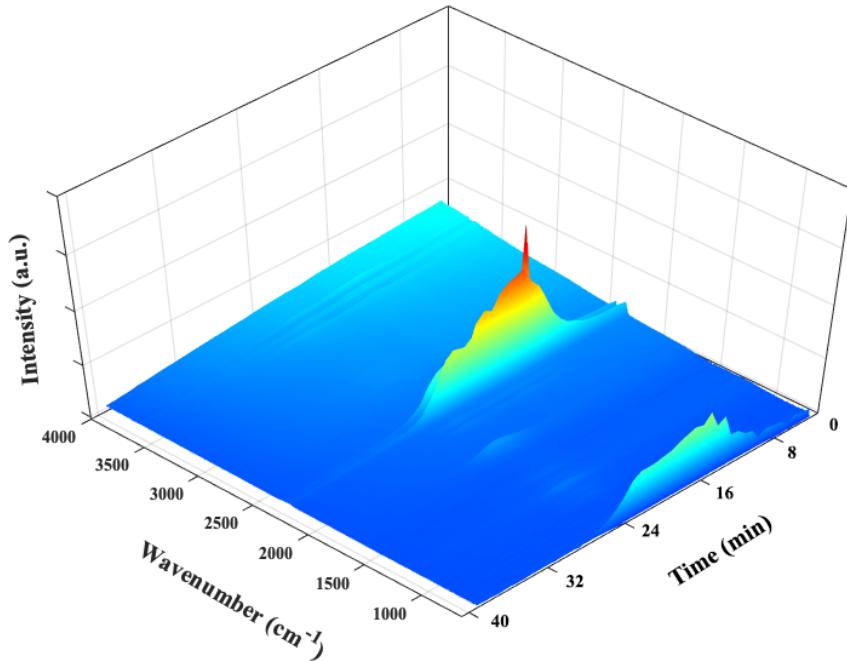


Figure S5: 3D FT-IR profiles of the evolved gases released from flax straw during combustion (time based)