

# Tin(II) Polyoxometalate as an Efficient Catalyst for the Selective Oxidation of Sulfides to Sulfoxides

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The applicability of the tin(II) polyoxometalate catalyst,  $[(n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{N}]_5\text{PSnMo}_2\text{W}_9\text{O}_{39} \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , for sulfoxidation of diaryl, dibenzyl, aryl benzyl, dialkyl, cyclic, and heterocyclic sulfides with 30% hydrogen peroxide was examined under organic halogen-free condition. It is noteworthy that different functional groups including carbon-carbon double bonds, ketones, oximes, aldehydes, ethers, alcohols, and acetals were tolerated under this reaction condition.

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