## **Supporting Information**

A Kinetic Isotope Effect and Isotope Exchange Study of the Non-enzymatic and

## Butyrylcholinesterase-Catalyzed Hydrolysis of Formylthiocholine.

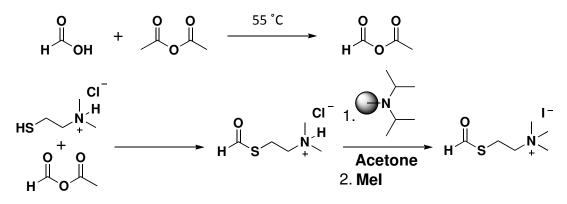
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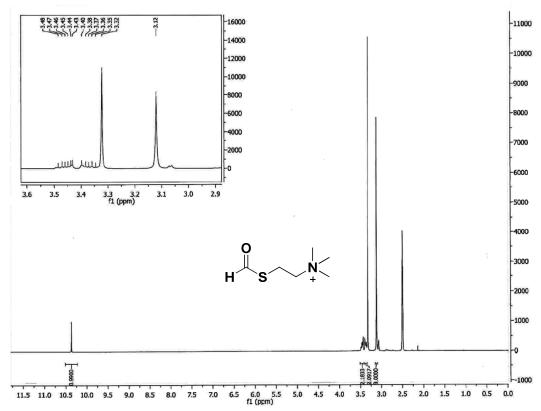
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Scheme S1. Synthetic route for FTC synthesis (see experimental section for more details).



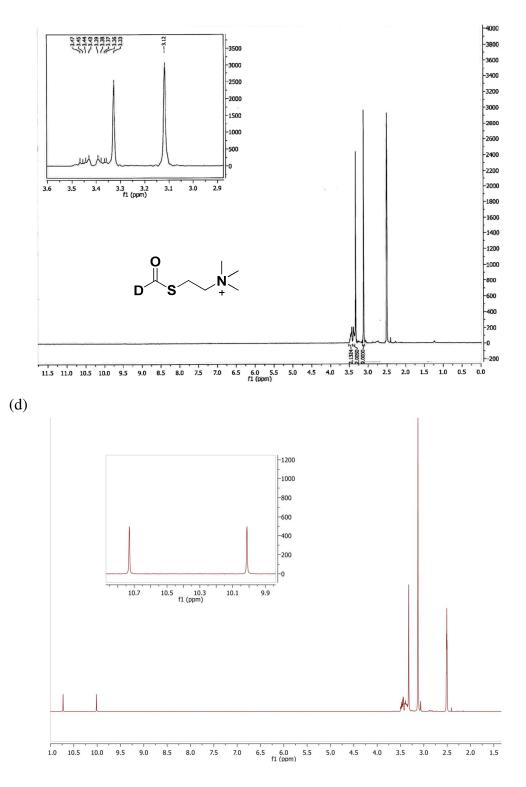
**Figure S1.** NMR spectra of FTC (a) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR of FTC, (b) <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of FTC, (c) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR of D-FTC and (d) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR of  $1^{-13}C$ -FTC.

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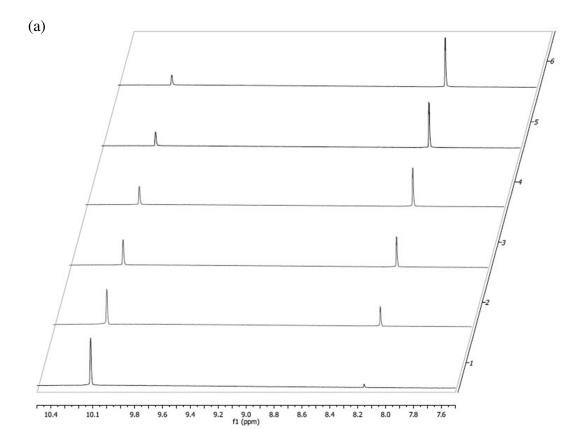
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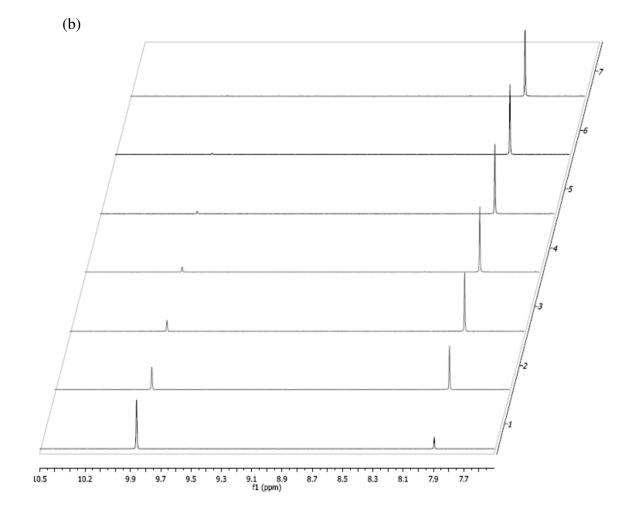
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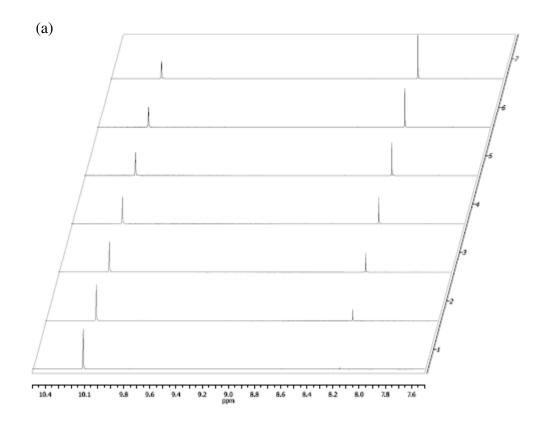
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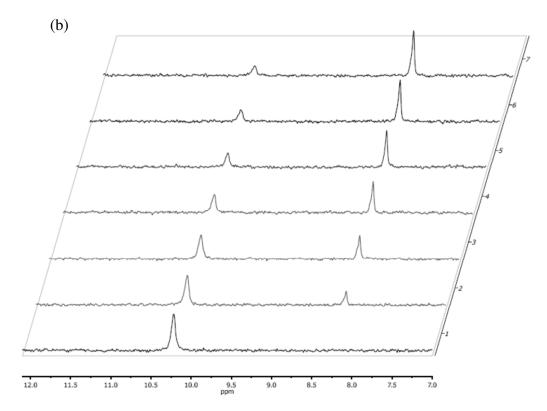
**Figure S2.** Sample Stacked Plots for the Solvent KIE on FTC Hydrolysis. (a) Hydrolysis of 50 mM FTC in 200 mM HCl. (b) Hydrolysis of 50 mM FTC 200 mM DCl.



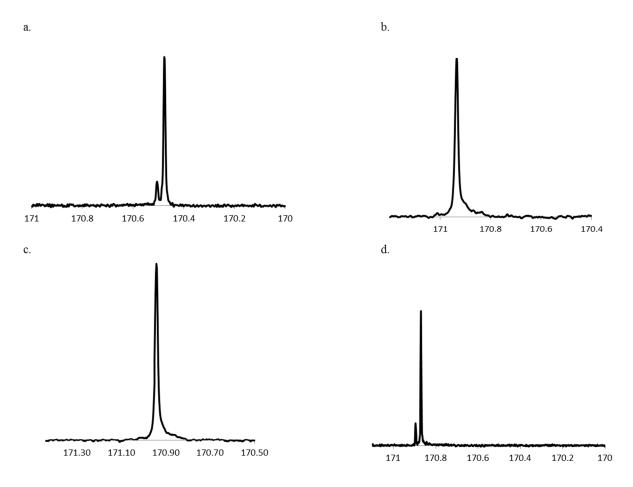


**Figure S3.** Sample Stacked Plots for the Formyl-H KIE. (a) Hydrolysis of H-FTC in 50 mM HCl/150 mM KCl. (b) Hydrolysis of D-FTC in 50 mM HCl/150 mM KCl.





**Figure S4.** <sup>18</sup>O-Exchange (PIX) NMR spectra. (a) Butyrylcholinesterase-catalyzed hydrolysis of FTC in 100 mM MES in 90% <sup>18</sup>O water. (b) Acid-catalyzed hydrolysis – 200 mM HCl in 93% <sup>18</sup>O water. (c) Acid-catalyzed hydrolysis – 50 mM HCl in 93% <sup>18</sup>O water. (d) Base-catalyzed hydrolysis of FTC – 50 mM KOH in 93% <sup>18</sup>O water.



**Table S1.** Observed First-Order Rate Constants for H-FTC and D-FTC Hydrolysis in Acidic, Basic and Neutral Conditions at  $\mu = 200$  mM and 25°C.<sup>a</sup>

	Condition	k <sub>obs</sub> (min <sup>-1</sup> )
	200 mM HCl	$0.0052 \pm 0.0001$
	200 mM DCl	$0.026\pm0.002$
	50 mM HCl/150 mM KCl	$0.0021 \pm 0.0001$
FTC	50 mM DCl/150 mM KCl	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$
	H <sub>2</sub> O/200 mM KCl	$0.00135 \pm 0.00007$
	D <sub>2</sub> O/200 mM KCl	$0.00032 \pm 0.00001$
	200 mM HCl	$0.00646 \pm 0.00008$
DFTC	50 mM HCl	$0.00273 \pm 0.00001$
	H <sub>2</sub> O/200 mM KCl	$0.0018 \pm 0.0001$

<sup>a</sup>These rate constants were used for calculation of the KIEs by the direct method.

**Table S2.** Observed First-Order Rate Constants for FTC Hydrolysis at Various pH Values at  $\mu = 200 \text{ mM}$  and  $25^{\circ}\text{C.}^{a}$ 

Conditions	pH 1.0	pH 2.0	pH 3.0	pH 4.0	pH 5.0	pH 6.0	pH 7.0
$k_{\rm obs} ({\rm min}^{-1})$	0.0023	0.00090	0.00088	0.00091	0.00084	0.00095	0.0013

<sup>a</sup>These rate constant, together with those for FTC in H<sub>2</sub>O from Table 1 (above) were used to generate the log  $k_{obs}$  v. pH plot in the manuscript.