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Base stable poly(diallylpiperidinium hydroxide) multiblock copolymers for anion exchange membranes

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Proton NMR signals were assigned from the DQF-COSY NMR Spectrum. Proton assignments for the PDApipPF$_6$ repeat unit are as follows: C protons $\delta = 1.24$ & 1.48 ppm, D protons $\delta = 2.47$ & 2.05 ppm, E protons $\delta = 3.76$ & 3.07 ppm, F protons $\delta = 3.31$ & 3.27 ppm, G protons $\delta = 1.83$ ppm, H protons $\delta = 1.61$ ppm. Correlations of the D protons with both the E and C protons and correlations of G protons with both F and H protons supports the assignment.
Proton and carbon assignments were made from the HMQC NMR spectrum. C protons were assigned to carbon signals at \( \delta = 26.2 \) & \( 29.5 \) ppm for cis and trans. The trans carbon signal and correlation at 29.5 ppm was very weak. D protons were assigned to carbon signals at \( \delta = 37.8 \) & 42.3 ppm for cis and trans. E protons were assigned to carbon signals at \( \delta = 67.0 \) and 68.3 ppm. The trans carbon signal and proton correlation at 68.3 ppm was very weak. The assignment for protons and carbons C, D & E support the formation of the 5-member ring.

Figure S2. HMQC NMR spectrum of PDApipPF\(_6\) in acetonitrile-d\(_3\).
Synthesis of 4-fluorothioanisole

Synthesis of 4-fluorothioanisole was completed using an established procedure.\(^1\) \(\lambda_{\text{max}}(\text{MeOH})/\text{nm} \ 251 \ (\epsilon/\text{dm}^3 \ \text{mol}^{-1} \ \text{cm}^{-1} \ 7500)\) \(^1\)H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl\(_3\)): \(\delta\) 7.42 (2H, m), 6.99 (2H, m), 2.46(3H, s).

![Absorbance Spectrum](image.png)

Figure S3. UV/vis absorbance spectrum of 4-fluorophenylsulfide terminated PDApipCl

The concentration of 4-fluorophenyl sulfide end groups was determined from a Beer’s Law calibration curve of 4-fluorothioanisole as a model for the end groups. The UV-Vis absorbance spectrum of 4-fluorothioanisole indicated two strong absorbance maxima at 204 nm and 251 nm, S3. The calibration curve was built from the absorbance at 251 nm. The 4-fluorophenylsulfide terminated PDApipCl oligomers presented similar absorbance spectra.
Hydroxide conductivity for all membranes was measured in the frequency range of 100 Hz to 300 kHz. A Bode plot was used to validate the frequency range with constant impedance. The intercept on the real resistance axis in the Nyquist plot was taken as the membrane resistance $R$.

**Notes and references**