

RAFT Polymerization to form Stimuli-Responsive Polymers

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Supporting Information

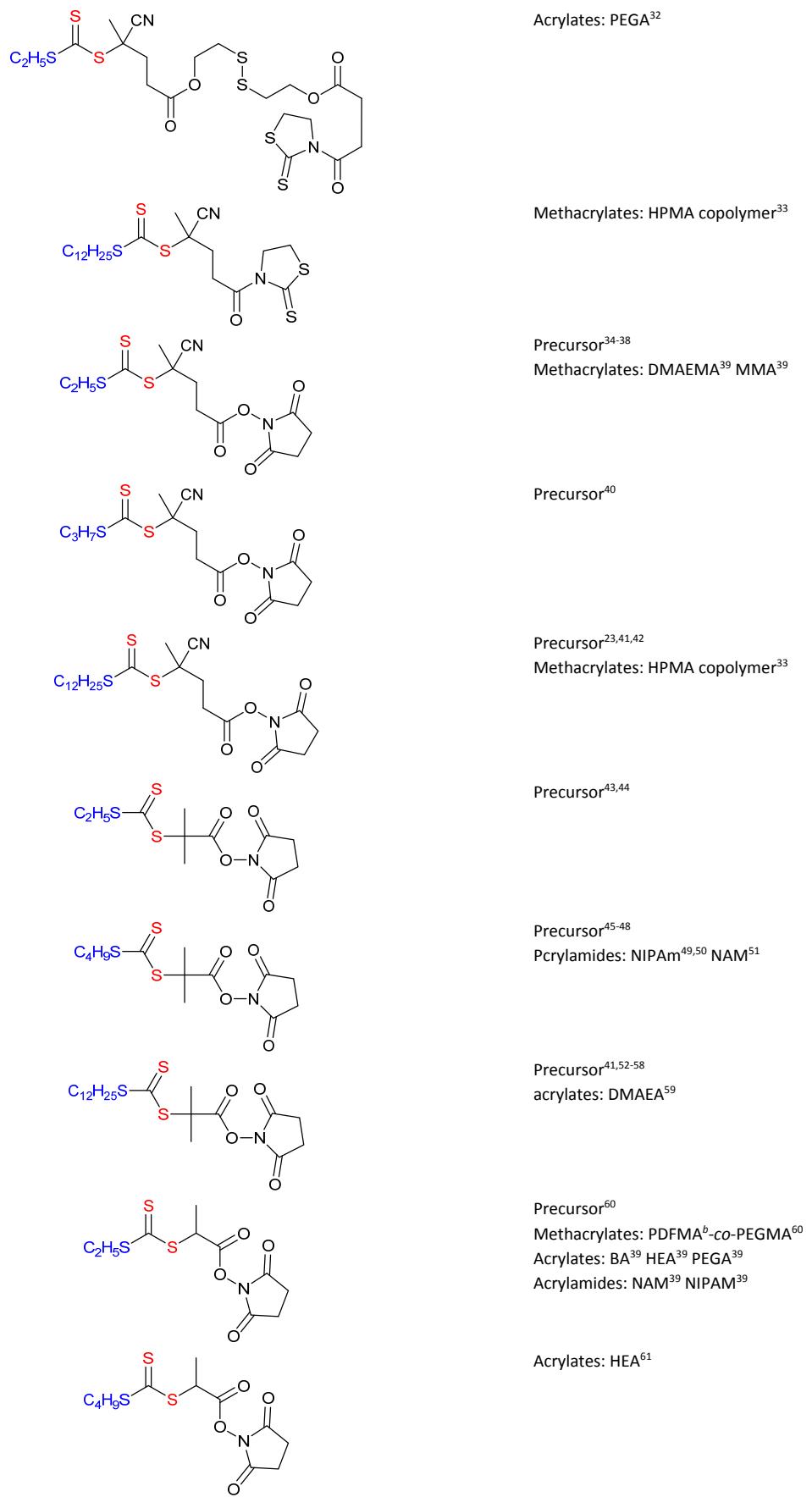
RAFT agents with active ester functionality

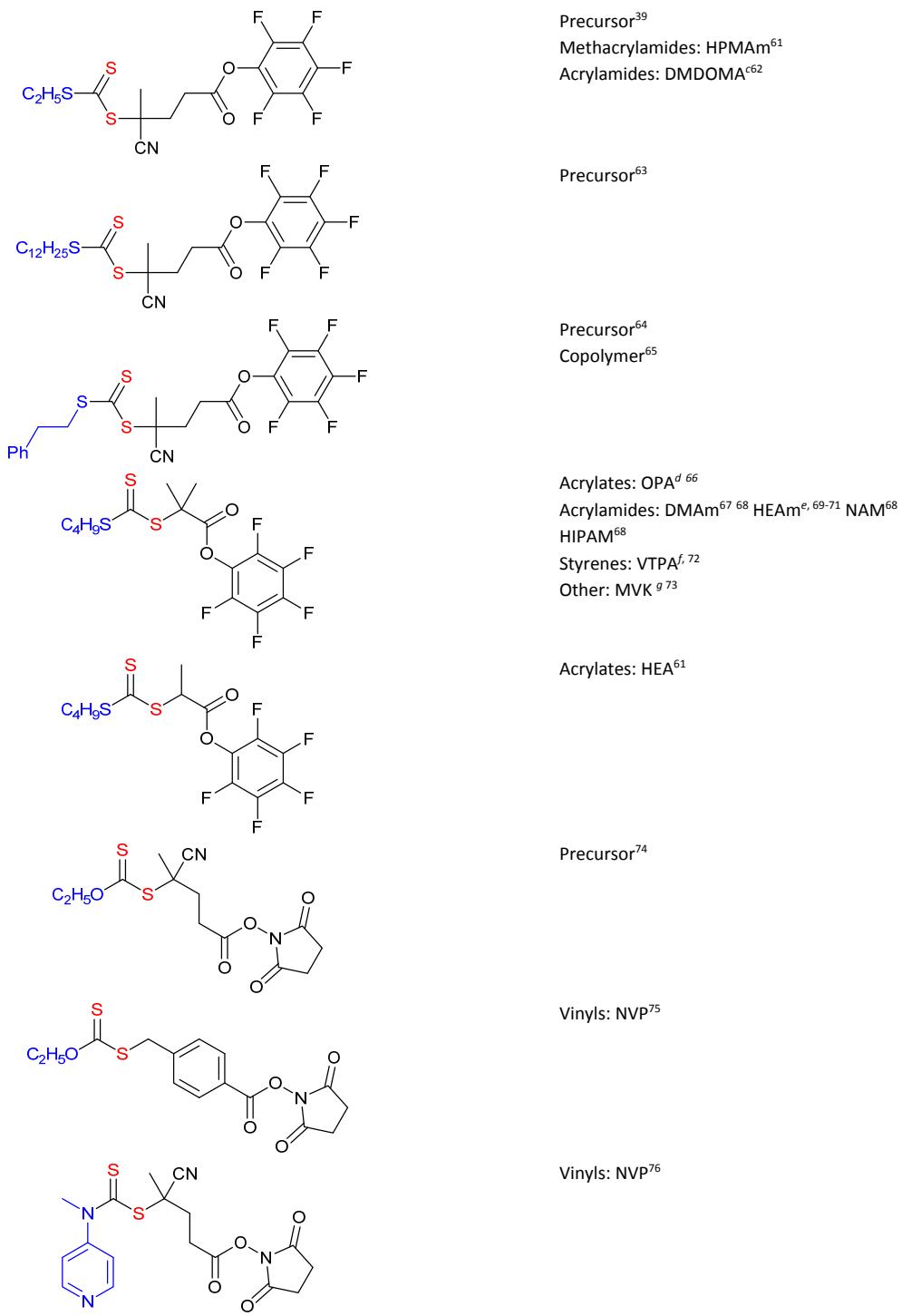
The major use of RAFT agents containing active ester functionality is in the preparation of other functional RAFT agents rather than mediating RAFT polymerization directly. Nonetheless these RAFT agents can and have been used. Care must be taken to exclude reactive nucleophiles in the polymerization medium. Examples of dithiobenzoate RAFT agents containing active ester functionality are shown in Table S1. Other examples are shown in Table S1.

The active ester functionalities for the examples shown in **Error! Reference source not found.** are substantially more reactive than the thiocarbonylthio functionality towards, in particular, primary amines. Thus functionalization, conjugation and surface modification pre- or post-RAFT polymerization can be carried out without loss of the RAFT functionality.

Table S1 RAFT agents for active ester chemistry.

RAFT agent	Monomer(s)
	Precursor ¹⁻⁵ methacrylamides: HPMAm ⁶
	Methacrylates: tBMA ⁷ DEGMA ^{7,8} LMA ^{8,9} MMA ⁸ PEGMA ^{8,9} Methacrylamides: NIPMAm ^{9,8}
	Precursor ¹⁰⁻²⁶ Styrenes: Error! Reference source not found. ²⁷
	$n=2$ Methacrylates: PEGMA ²⁸ Methacrylamides: HPMAm ²⁹ $n=4$ Methacrylates: PEGMA ³⁰
	Methacrylamides: HPMAm ³¹





^a NIPAMm – N-isopropylmethacryamide. ^b PDFMA – perfluorodecyl methacrylate. ^c DMDOMA – [(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolane)methyl]acrylamide. ^d OPA – 2-oxopropyl acrylate, ^e HEAm – hydroxyethylacrylamide. ^f VTPA – 4,4'-Dimethyl-4''-vinyltriphenylamine. ^g MVK – methyl vinyl ketone.

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