

Supplementary information

Multi-block copolymers with fluorene-containing hydrophilic segments densely functionalized by side-chain quaternary ammonium groups as anion exchange membranes

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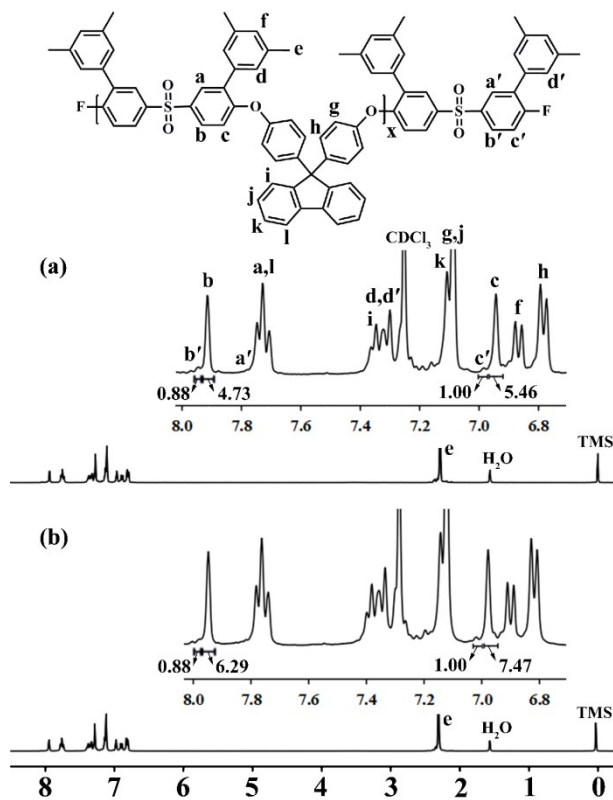


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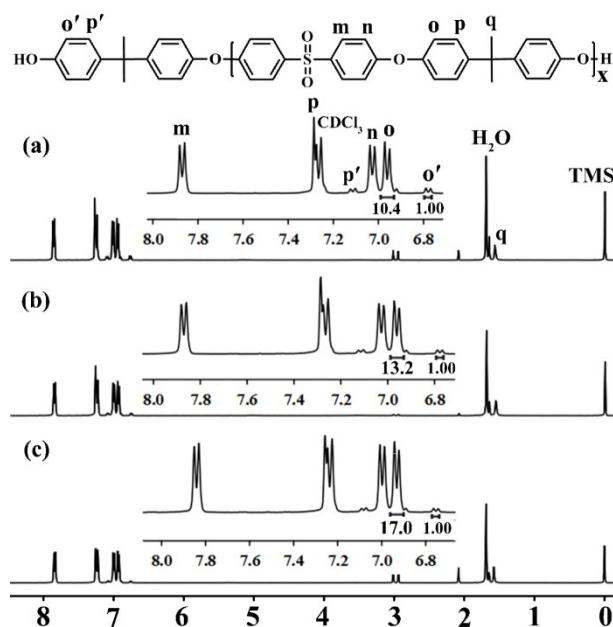


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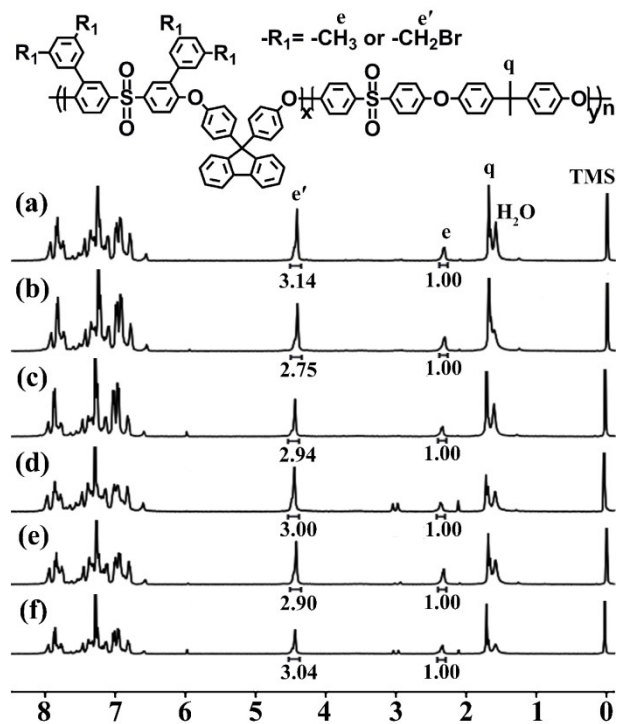


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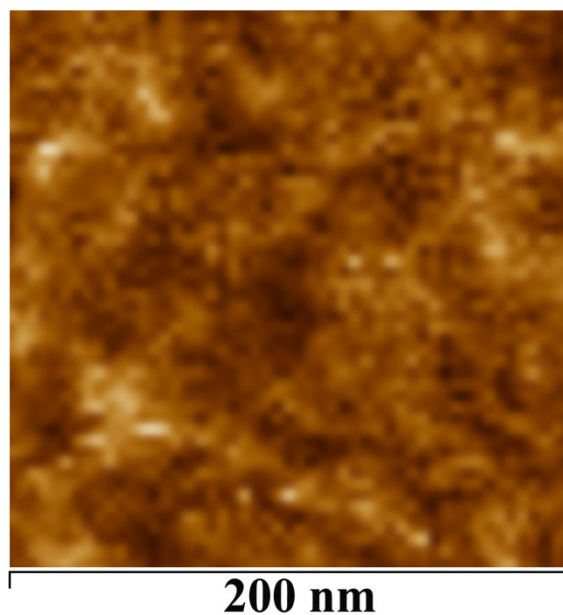


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Membrane	IEC _m (meq g ⁻¹)	IEC _{wet} (meq cm ⁻³)		σ (mS cm ⁻¹)		σ /IEC _m (mS g/(cm mmol))		σ /IEC _{wet} (mS cm ² /mmol)	
		30 °C	80 °C	30 °C	80 °C	30 °C	80 °C	30 °C	80 °C
QMPAES-X7Y10	1.28	0.52	0.51	27.4	85.0	21.4	66.4	52.7	166.7
QMPAES-X7Y13	1.02	0.70	0.64	27.2	51.9	26.7	50.9	38.9	81.1
QMPAES-X7Y17	0.90	0.72	0.68	11.6	38.7	12.9	43.0	16.1	56.9
QMPAES-X5Y10	1.06	0.78	0.74	21.4	58.0	20.2	54.7	27.4	78.4
QMPAES-X5Y13	0.83	0.56	0.56	16.5	44.1	19.9	53.1	29.5	78.8
QMPAES-X5Y17	0.81	0.64	0.61	9.7	23.0	12.0	28.4	15.2	37.7
QPAES-X8Y8 ¹	1.60	1.12 ^a	1.05	18.3 ^a	75.8	11.4 ^a	47.4	16.3 ^a	72.2
QPAES-X16Y8 ¹	1.24	0.62 ^a	0.56	26.1 ^a	51.5	21.0 ^a	41.5	42.1 ^a	92.0
QPAES-X16Y10 ¹	1.15	0.85 ^a	0.77	11.8 ^a	37.8	10.3 ^a	32.9	13.9 ^a	49.1
	1.45	0.96 ^a	0.84	15.4 ^a	54.5	10.6 ^a	37.6	16.0 ^a	64.9
QPAES-X20Y18 ¹	1.54	0.98 ^a	0.87	13.3 ^a	64.1	8.6 ^a	41.6	13.6 ^a	73.7
QPAE-X15Y8 ²	1.13	0.90 ^a	0.77 ^c	9.8 ^a	27.6 ^c	8.7 ^a	24.4 ^c	10.9 ^a	35.8 ^c
QPAE-X25Y21 ²	1.45	1.07 ^a	0.86 ^c	16.9 ^a	37.3 ^c	11.7 ^a	25.7 ^c	15.8 ^a	43.4 ^c
QPE-X16Y11 ³	0.79	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	8.8 ^c	— ^d	11.1 ^c	— ^d	— ^d
	1.13	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	47.0 ^c	— ^d	41.6 ^c	— ^d	— ^d
	1.38	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	52.0 ^c	— ^d	37.7 ^c	— ^d	— ^d
QPE-X22Y11 ³	0.86	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	25.0 ^c	— ^d	29.1 ^c	— ^d	— ^d
ds-PAES-75 ⁴	1.49	1.27 ^b	1.03	21.9 ^b	47.3	14.7 ^b	31.7	17.2 ^b	45.9
4(X35) ⁵	1.01	1.14 ^a	— ^d	15 ^a	24.6	14.9 ^a	24.4	13.2 ^a	— ^d
4(X50) ⁵	1.32	1.40 ^a	— ^d	26 ^a	40.0	19.7 ^a	30.3	18.6 ^a	— ^d
ImPES-0.55 ⁶	0.98	1.29	— ^d	21.9	51.7	22.3	52.8	17.0	— ^d
ImPES-0.70 ⁶	1.23	1.48	— ^d	32.6	69.2	26.5	56.3	22.0	— ^d
PAES-Q-12 ⁷	1.65	— ^d	— ^d	22.9 ^a	54.0	13.9 ^a	32.7	— ^d	— ^d
QA-PSf-g-PEG350 ⁸	1.36	— ^d	— ^d	24.9 ^a	70.2	18.3 ^a	51.6	— ^d	— ^d

^a Determined at 20 °C. ^b Determined at 25 °C. ^c Determined at 60 °C. ^d Not reported in the literature.

II. Experimental section

¹H NMR characterization.

¹H NMR spectras were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE 400S with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the standard and CDCl₃ or DMSO-d₆ as the solvent.

Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM) characterization.

Tapping mode Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM) was performed on a Bruker Multimode 8 scanning probe microscopy with a probe of MPP-11100-10 (40 N/m, 300 kHz). The scanning frequency is 1 Hz. The sample was equilibrated at 60% RH for more than 24 h before test.

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