

Supporting Information

Dielectric elastomer actuators with increased dielectric permittivity and low leakage current capable of overcoming electromechanical instability

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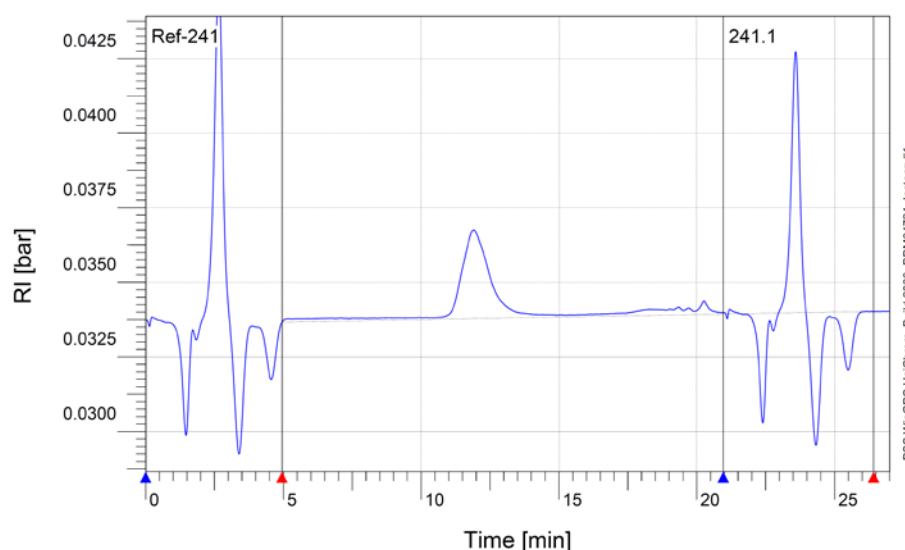
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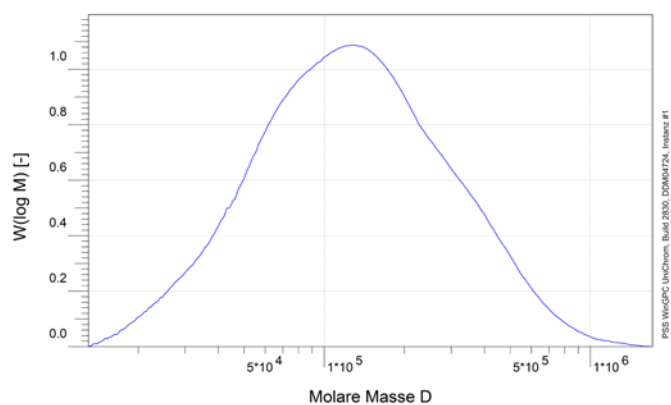
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MHK - A (Kal.): 0.000E+0
Int.Stand.-K : 23.429 ml
Pumpe : PSS SECcurity
Konzentration : 2.000 g/l
Säule 1 : PSS SDV 5µm
Säule 2 : PSS SDV 5µm
Detektor 1 : PSS SECcurity UV
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Detektor 3 : PSS SECcurity RI
Operateur : Beatrice Fischer

Methode : C:\EmpaDaten\Methoden\TFE_Fischer_01_2014.
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bis : 26.242 ml
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Int.Stand.-M : 23.585 ml
Flußrate : 1.000 ml/min
Injektvolumen : 20.000 µl
Temperatur : 30.000 °C
Temperatur : 30.000 °C
Versatz : 0.000 ml
Versatz : 0.160 ml
Versatz : 0.000 ml
Messintervall : 1.000 sec

Figure S1. GPC elution curve of **P0**.



Probe :	Ref-241		
Integration von :	Mittwoch 29.03.17 12:29:05		10.748 ml
Integration bis :	Mittwoch 29.03.17 12:31:53		13.519 ml
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MHK - A (Kal.):	0.000E+0	MHK - K (Kal.):	1.000E+0 ml/g
Int.Stand.-K:	23.429 ml	Int.Stand.-M:	23.585 ml
Pumpe :	PSS SECcurity	Flußrate :	1.000 ml/min
Konzentration :	2.000 g/l	Injektionsvolumen :	20.000 µl
Säule 1 :	PSS SDV 5µm	Temperatur :	30.000 °C
Säule 2 :	PSS SDV 5µm	Temperatur :	30.000 °C
Detektor 1 :	PSS SECcurity UV	Versatz :	0.000 ml
Detektor 2 :	PSS SECcurity UV	Versatz :	0.160 ml
Detektor 3 :	PSS SECcurity RI	Versatz :	0.000 ml
Operateur :	Beatrice Fischer	Messintervall :	1.000 sec

PSS SECcurity RI

Mn :	9.1277e4	g/mol
Mw :	1.7597e5	g/mol
Mz :	3.1971e5	g/mol
Mv :	0.000000	g/mol
D :	1.9278e0	
[n] :	0.000000	ml/g
Vp :	1.1823e1	ml
Mp :	1.4744e5	g/mol
FI :	3.009e-3	ml ² /V
< 12998	0.00	
w% :	100.00	
> 1711465	0.00	

Figure S2. GPC analysis of **P0** ($M_n = 90.000 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$, $M_w = 175.000 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$, $PDI = 1.9$).

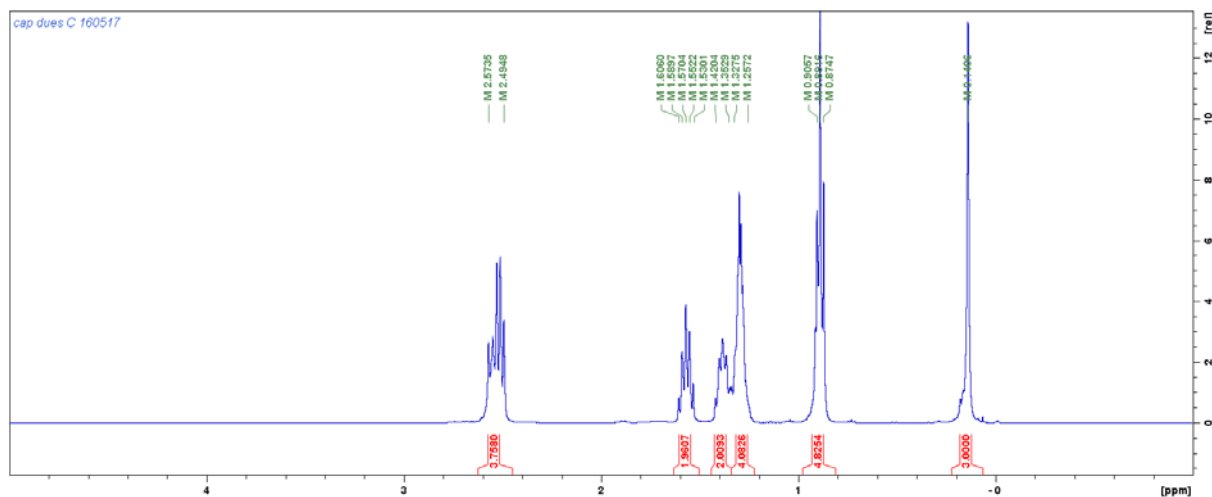


Figure S3. ^1H NMR spectrum of **P2**.

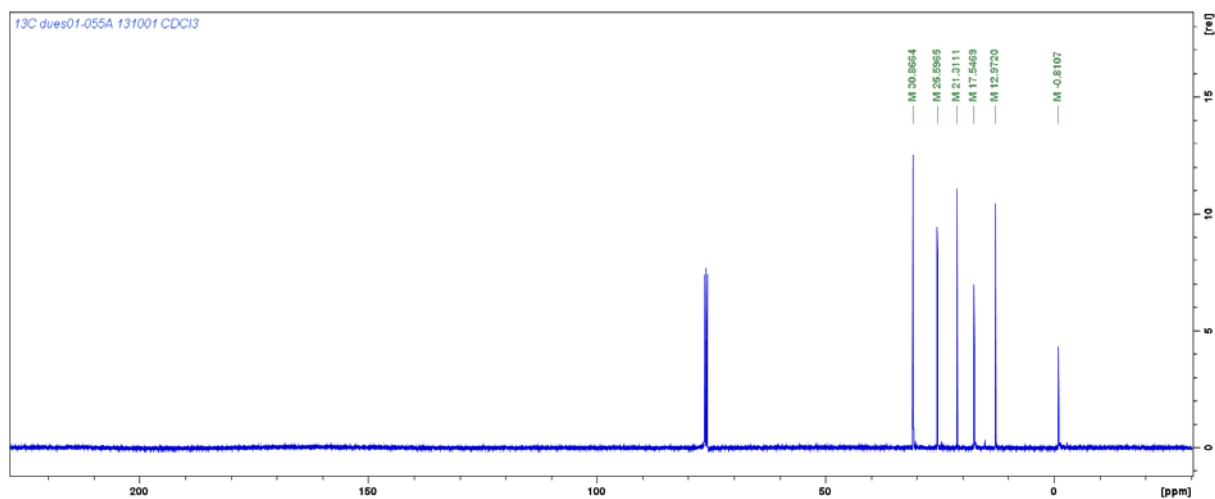


Figure S4. ¹³C NMR spectrum of P2.

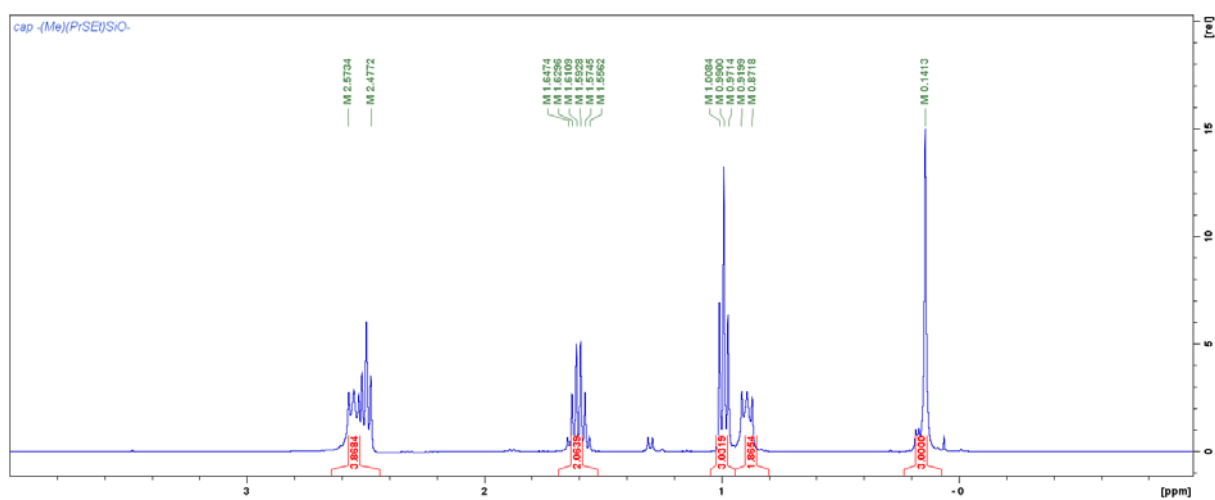


Figure S5. ¹H NMR spectrum of P3.

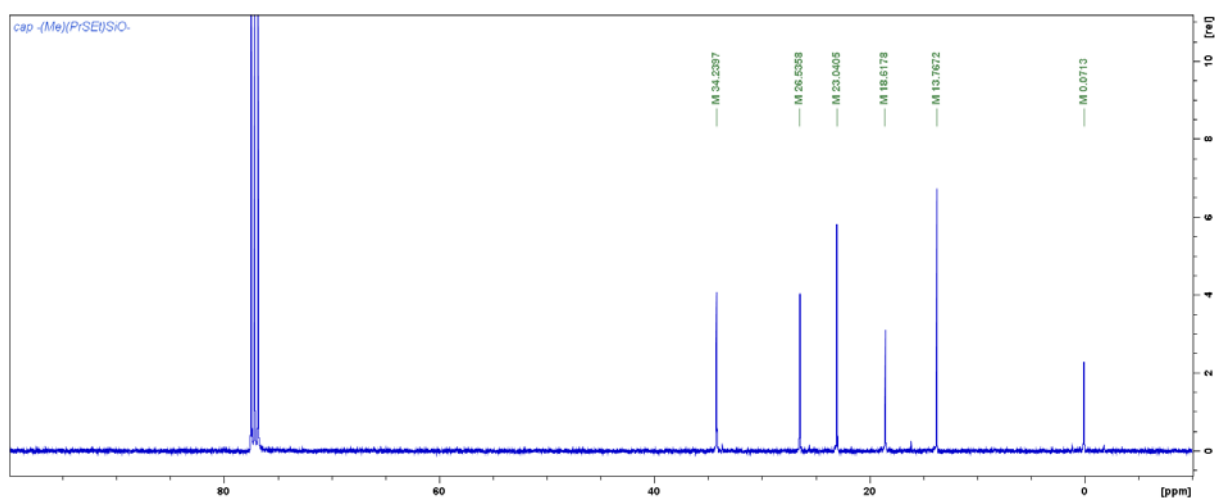


Figure S6. ¹³C NMR spectrum of P3.

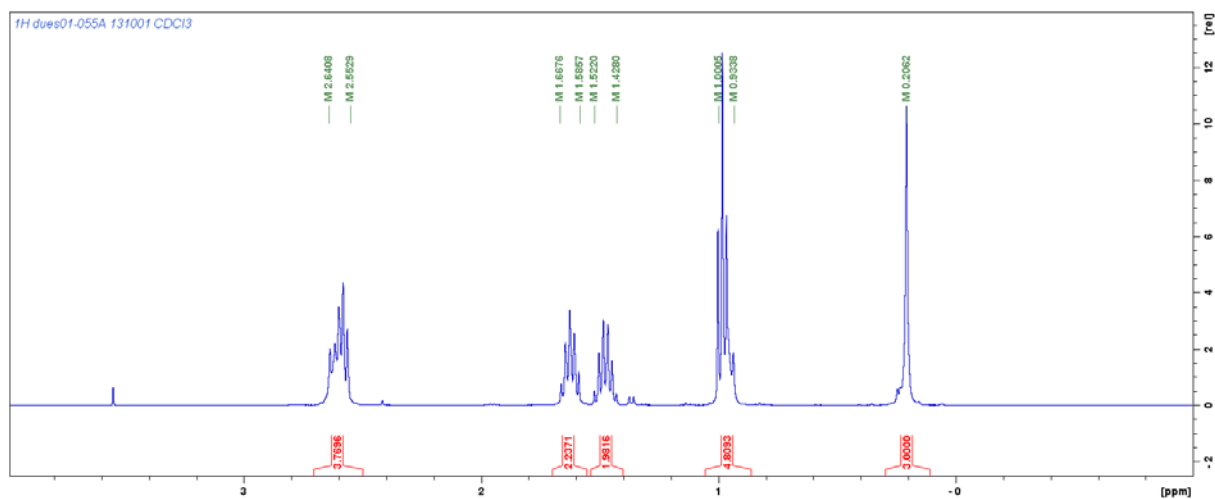


Figure S7. ¹H NMR spectrum of P4.

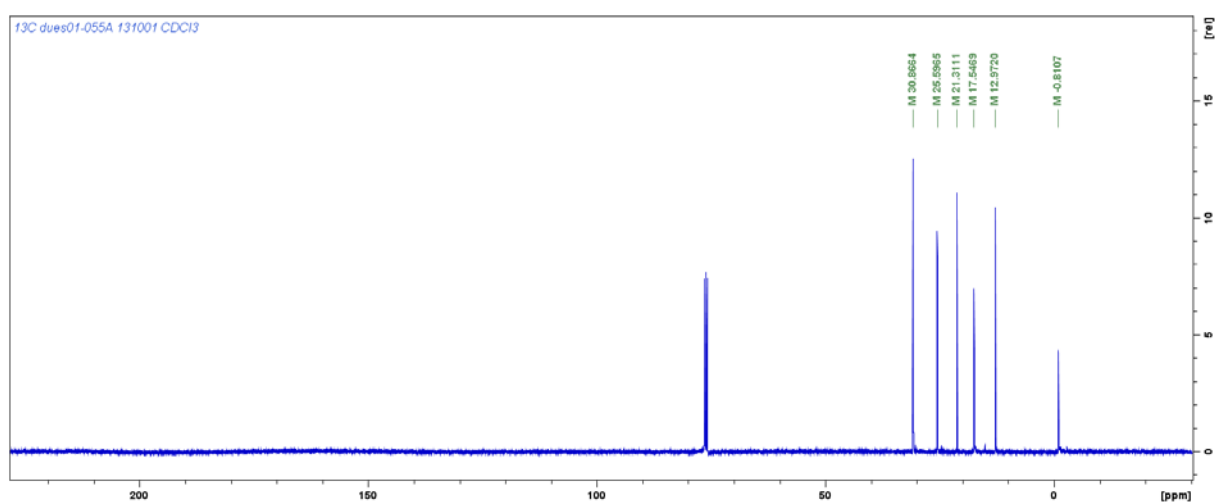


Figure S8. ¹³C NMR spectrum of P4.

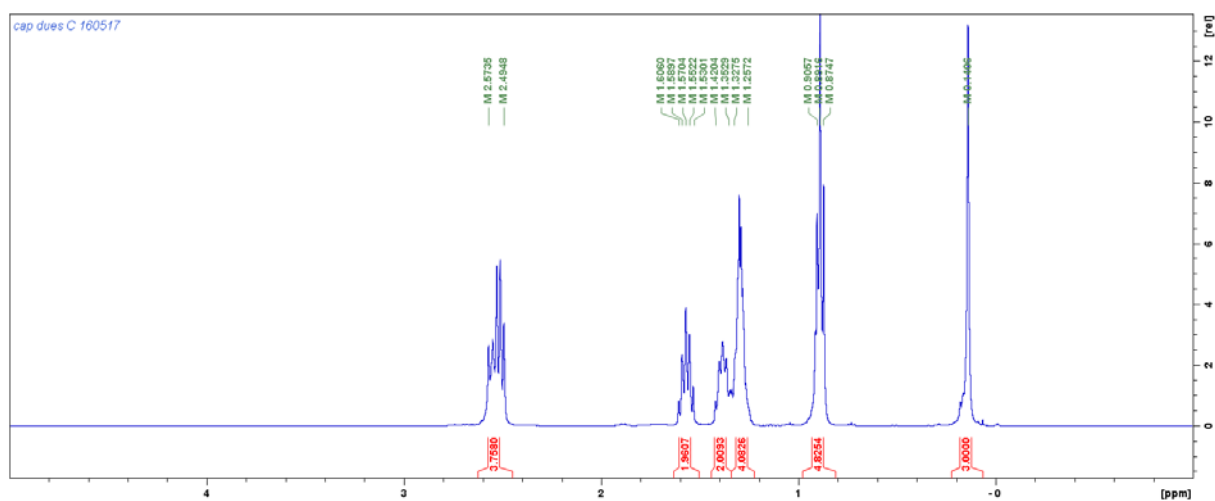


Figure S9. ¹H NMR spectrum of P6.

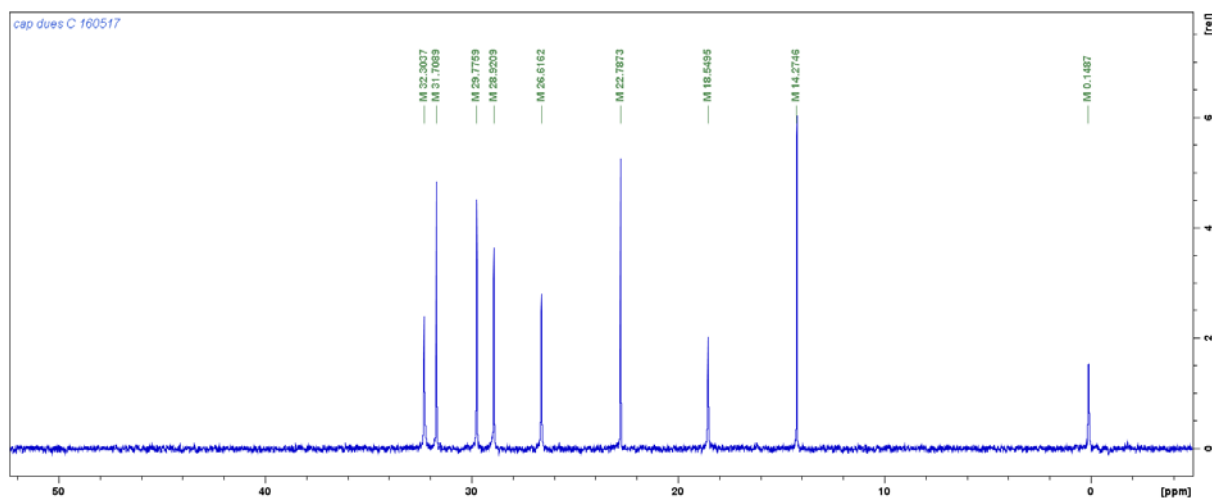


Figure S10. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **P6**.

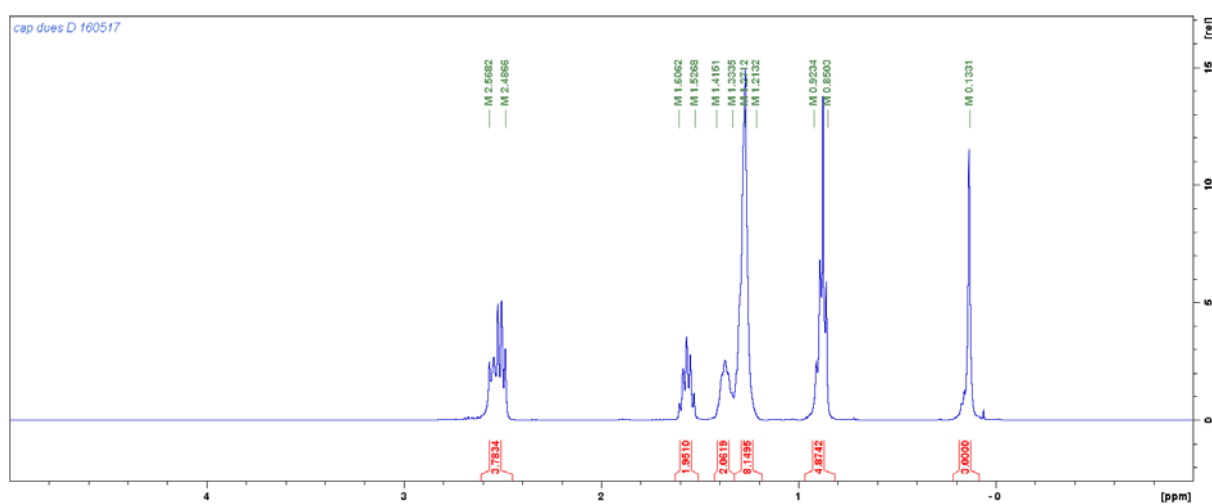


Figure S11. ^1H NMR spectrum of **P8**.

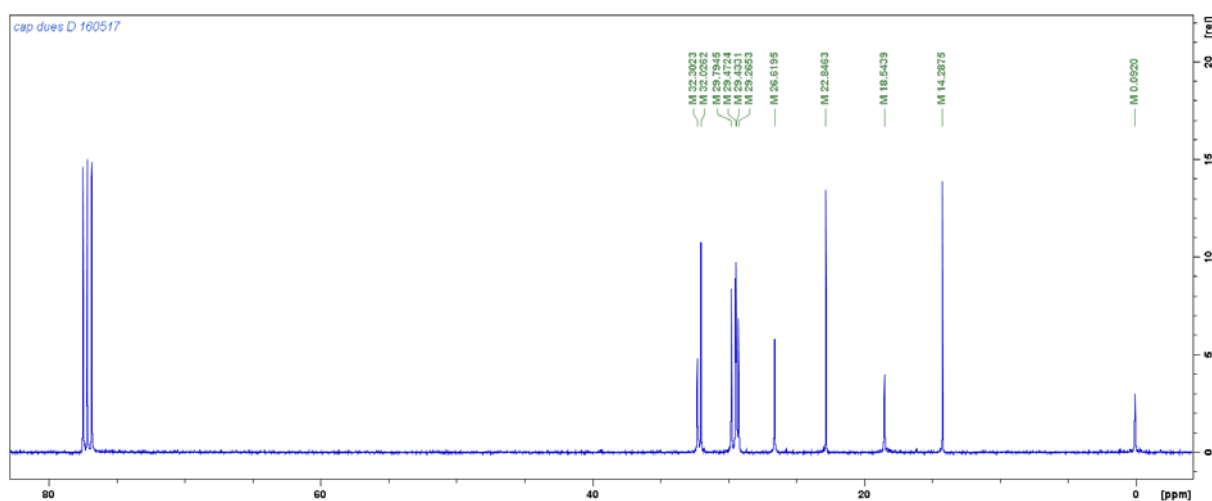


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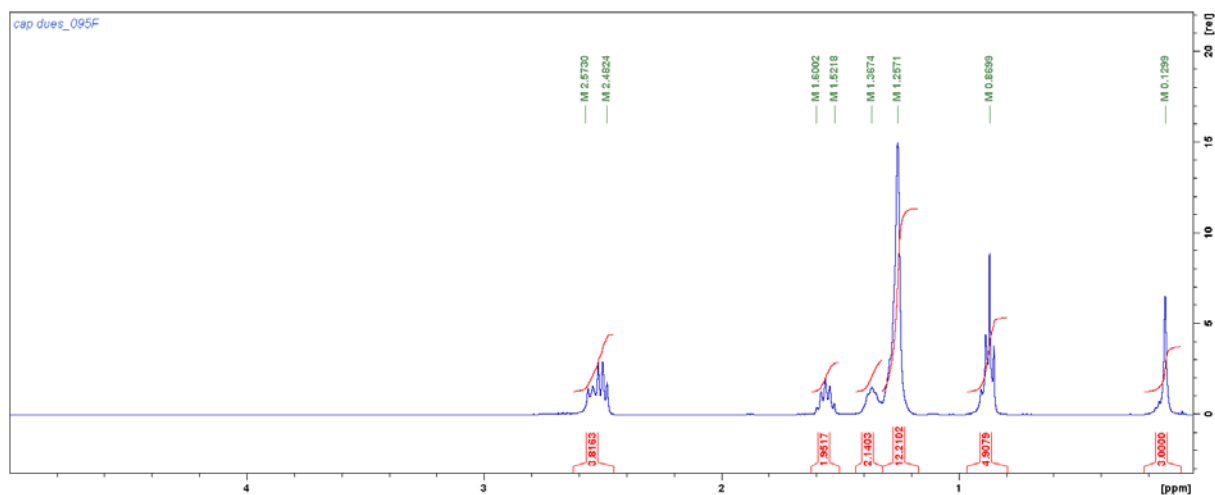


Figure S13. ^1H NMR spectrum of **P10**.

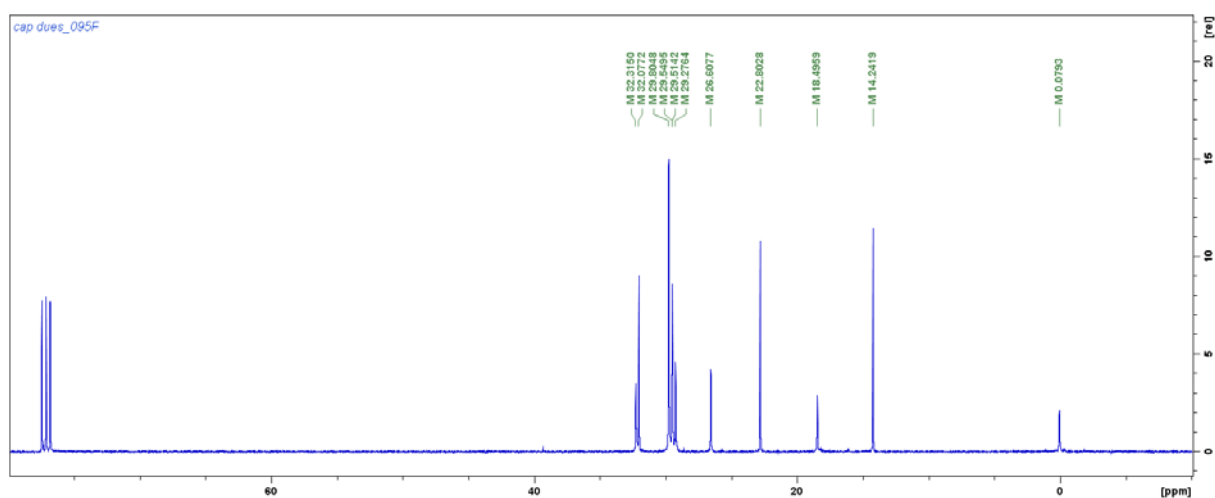


Figure S14. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **P10**.

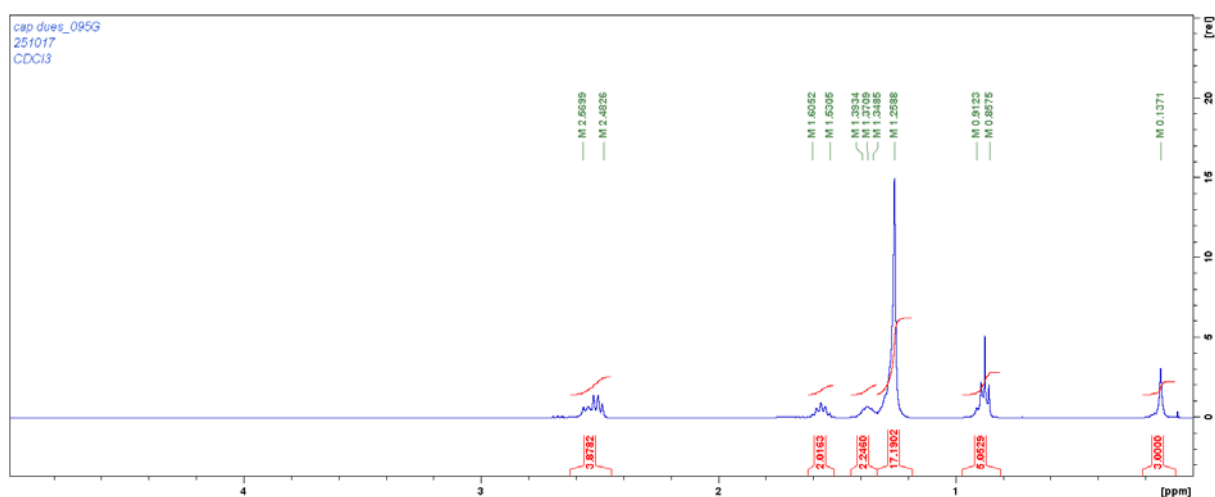


Figure S15. ^1H NMR spectrum of **P12**.

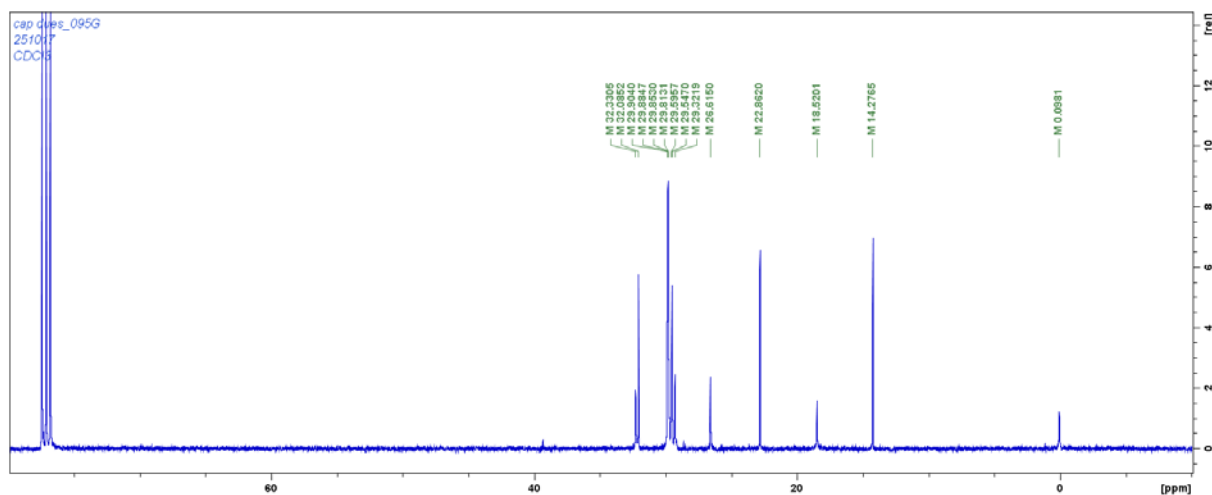


Figure S16. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **P12**.

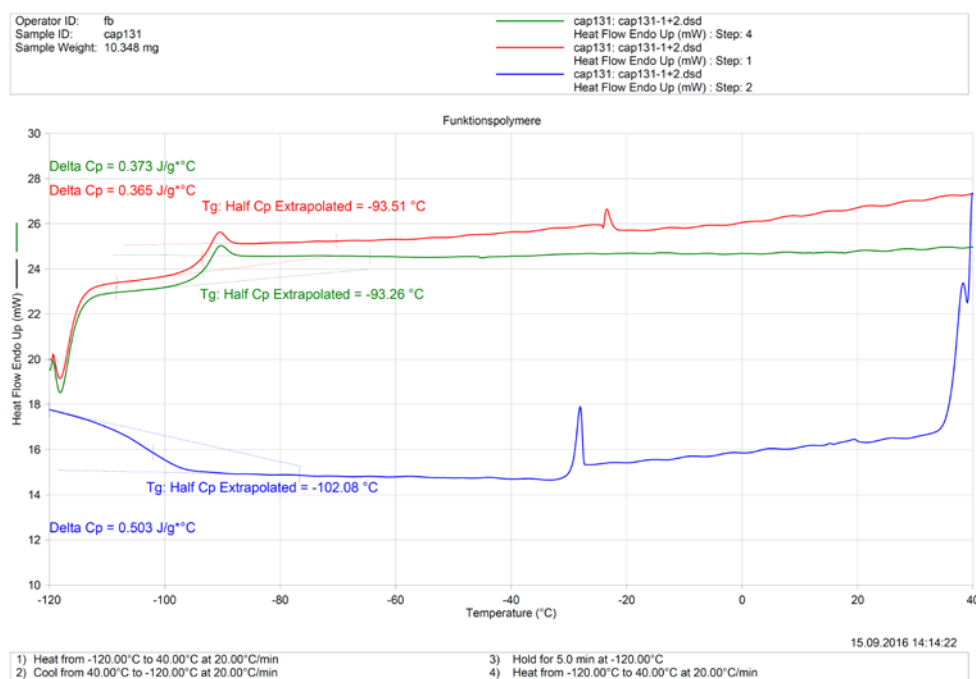


Figure S17. DSC curves of **P2**.

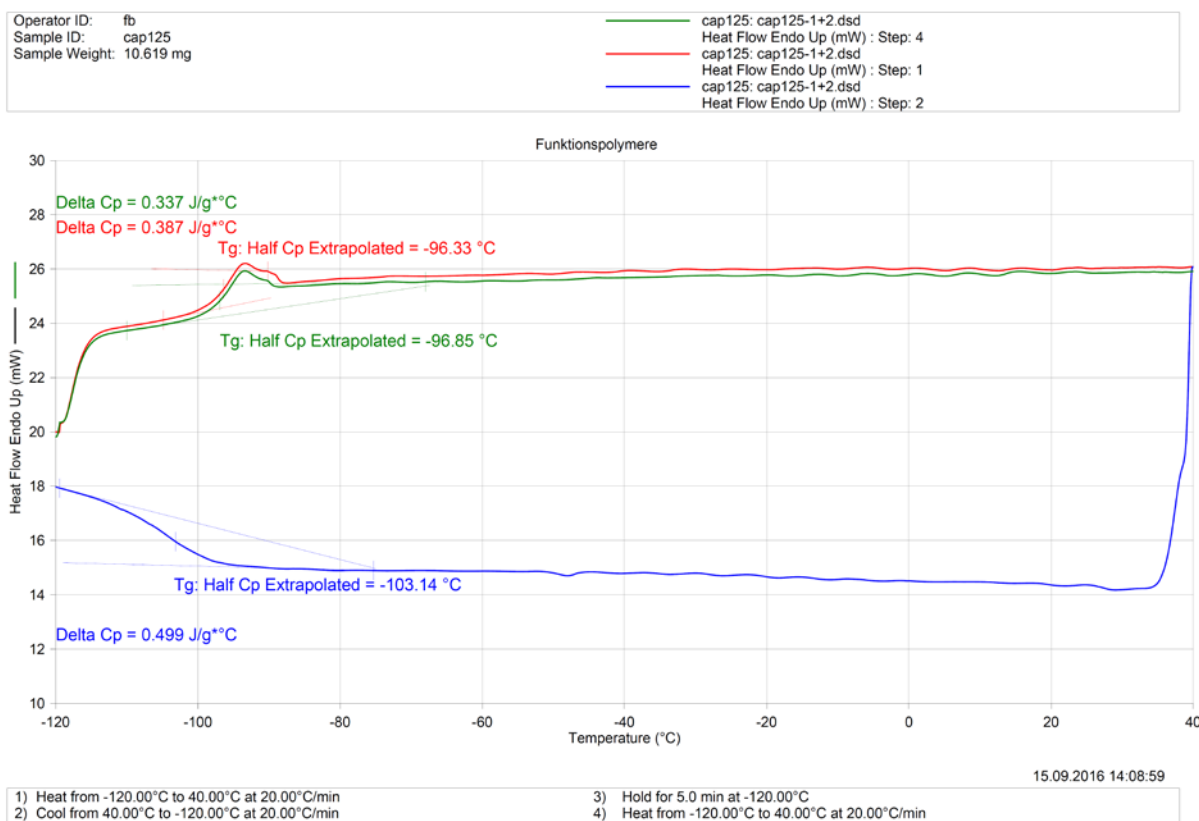


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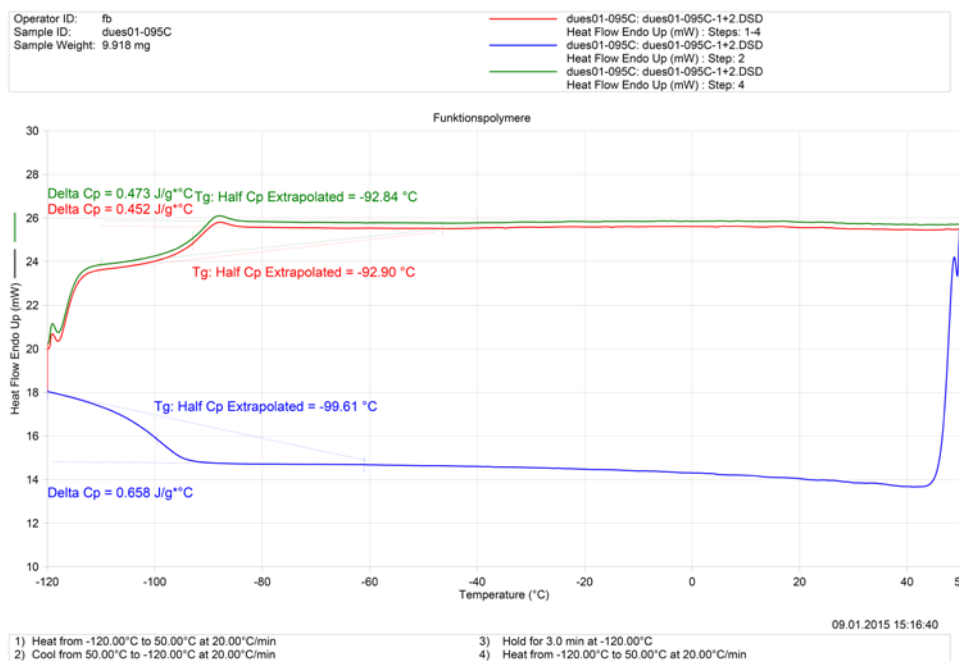


Figure S19. DSC curves of P6.

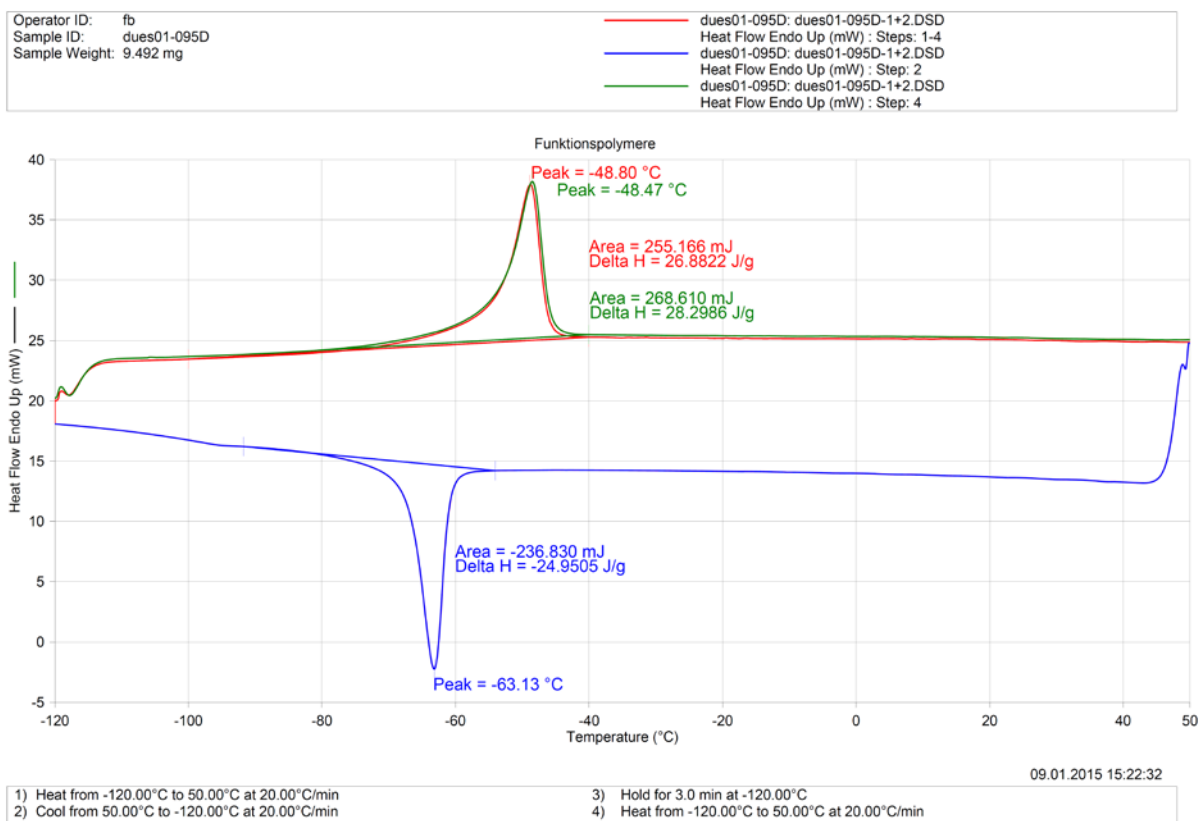


Figure S20. DSC curves of **P8**.

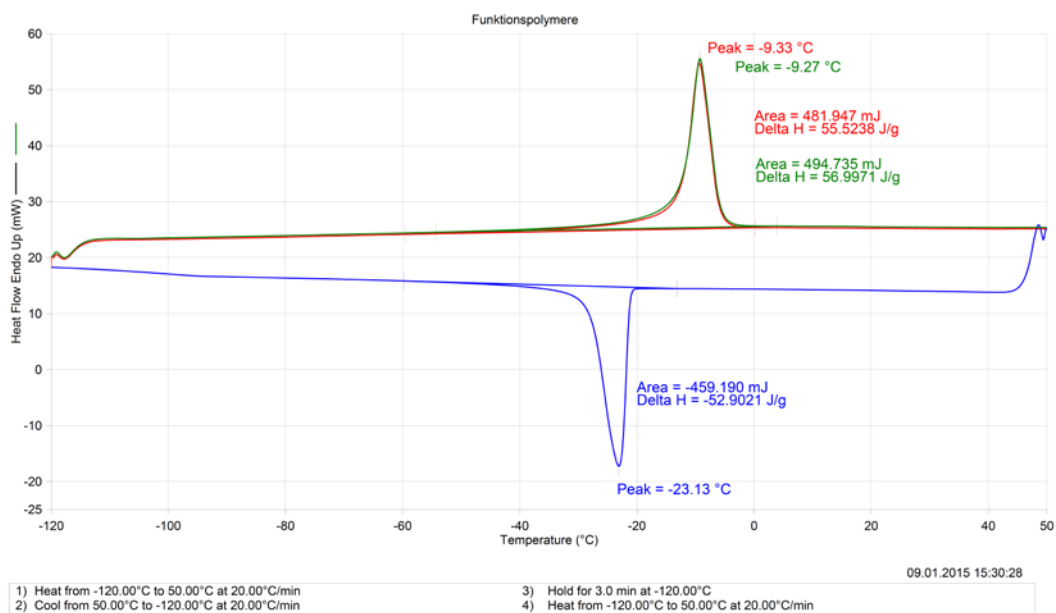


Figure S21. DSC curves of **C10**.

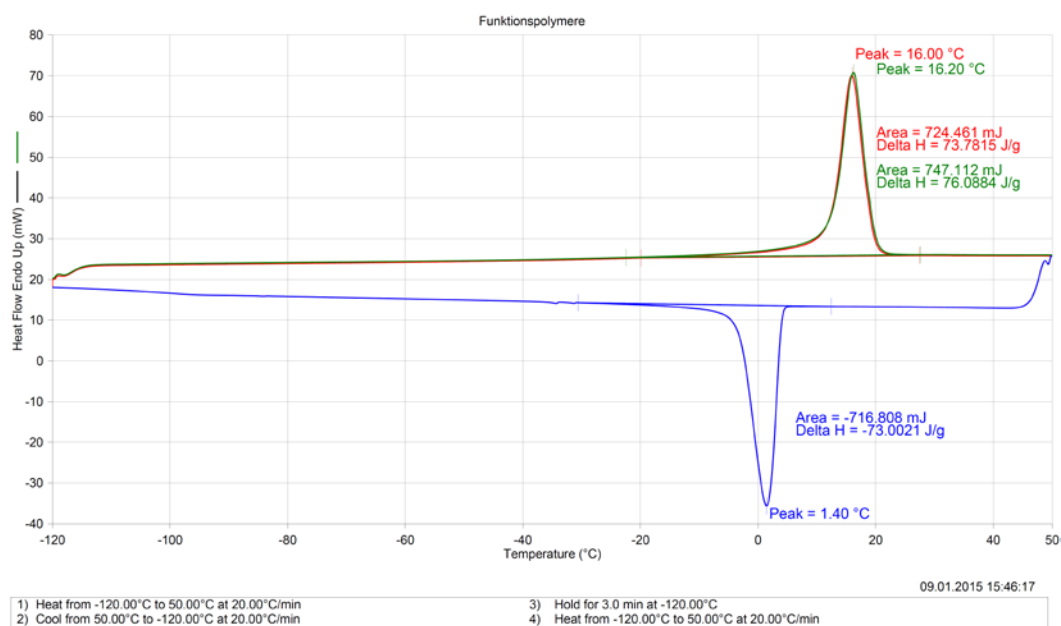


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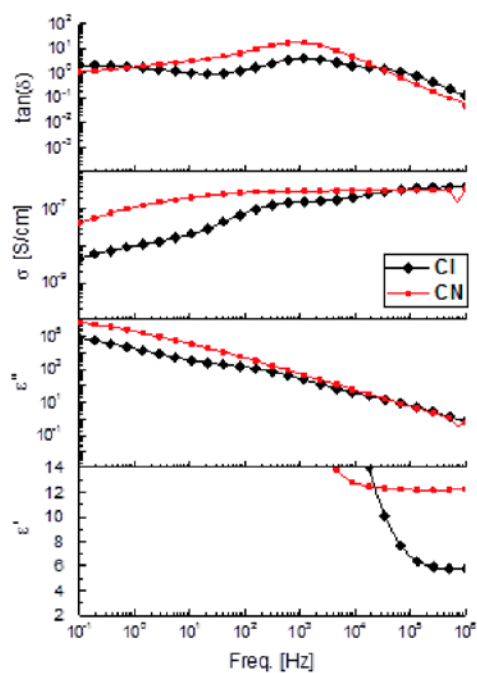


Figure S23. Dielectric properties of CI-CL and CN-CL. Dielectric permittivity ϵ' was taken at 10^6 Hz where the contribution of ions can be neglected.

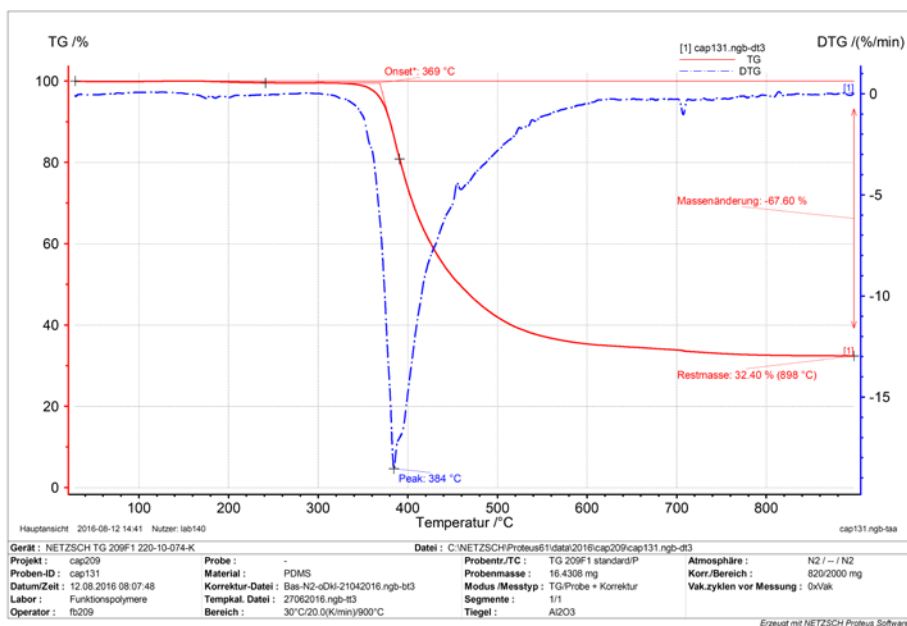


Figure S24. TGA curve of P2.

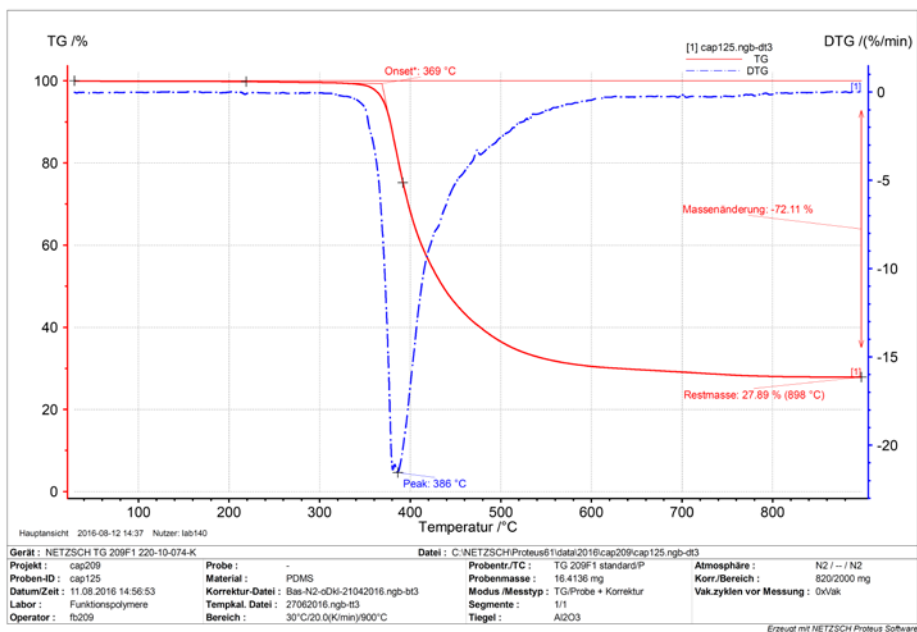


Figure S25. TGA curve of P3.

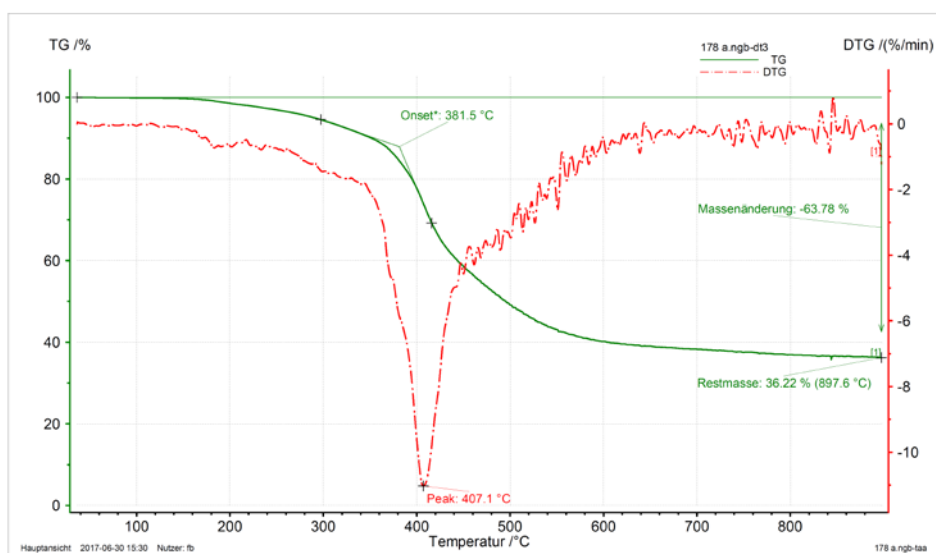


Figure S26. TGA curve of E2-Cl-33.

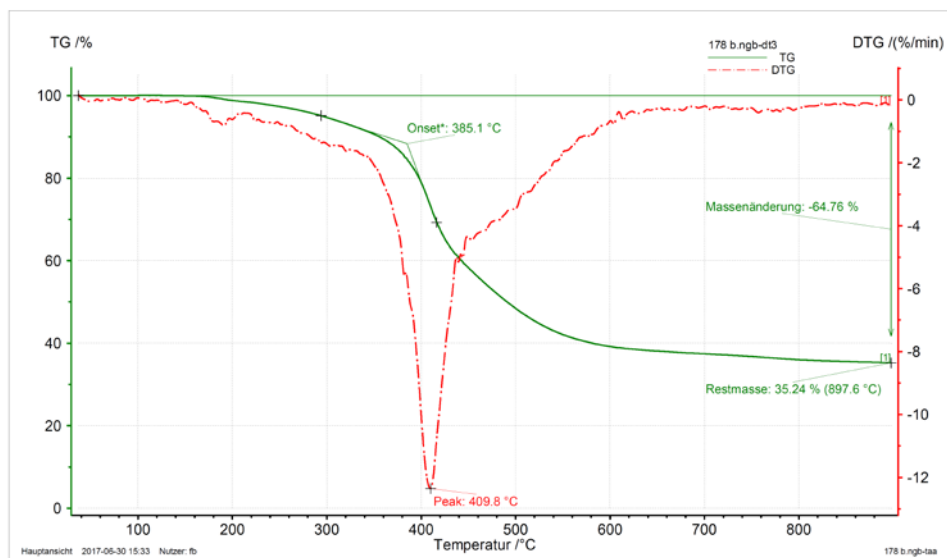


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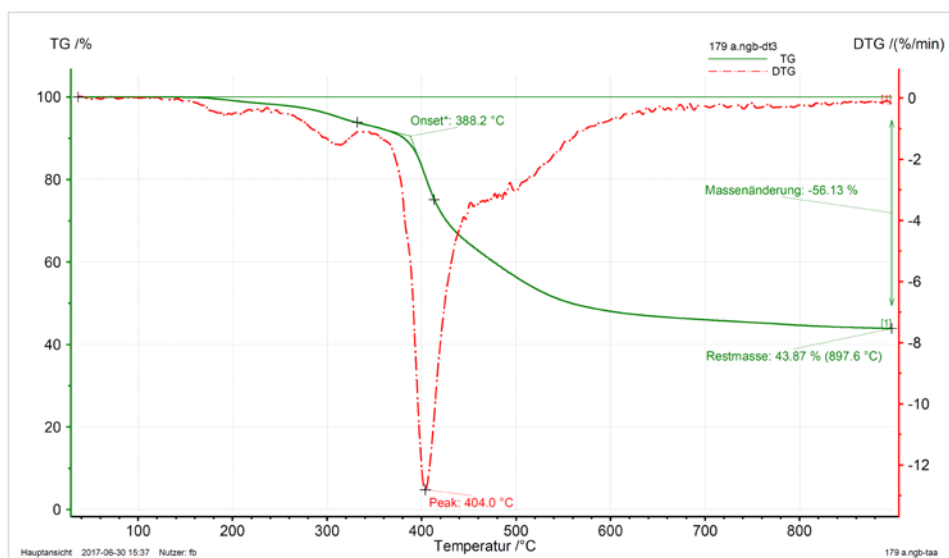


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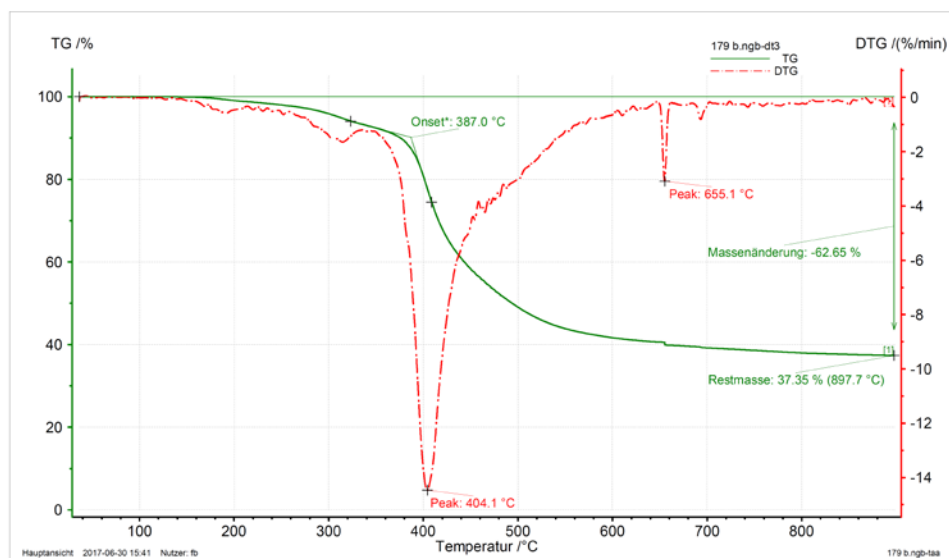


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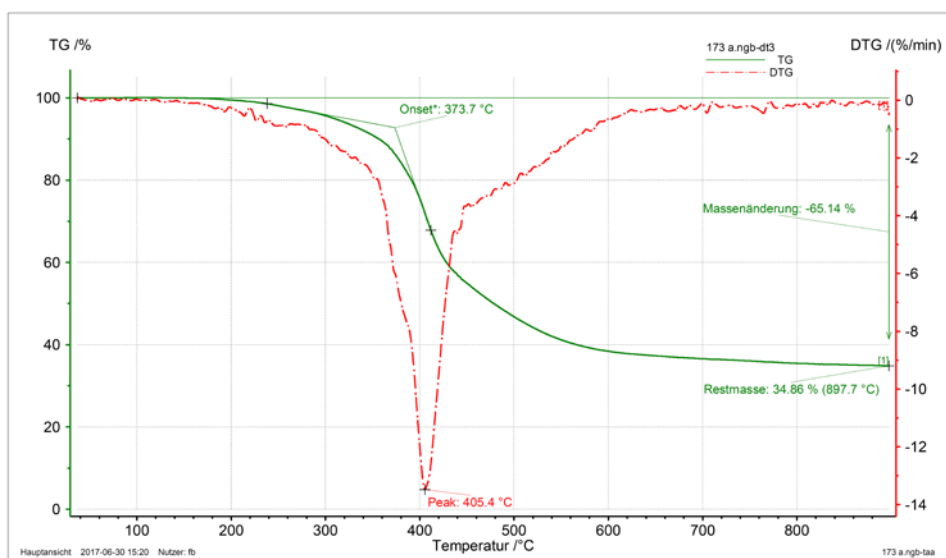


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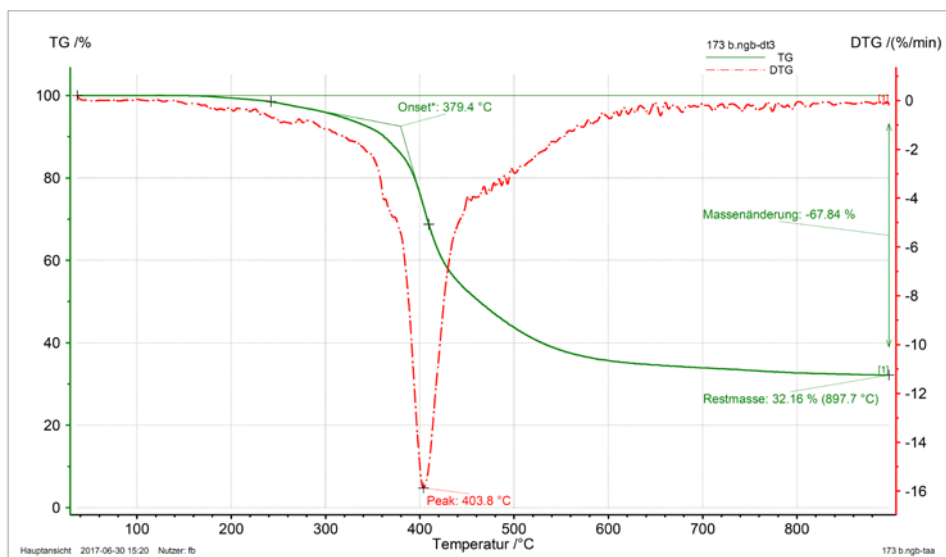


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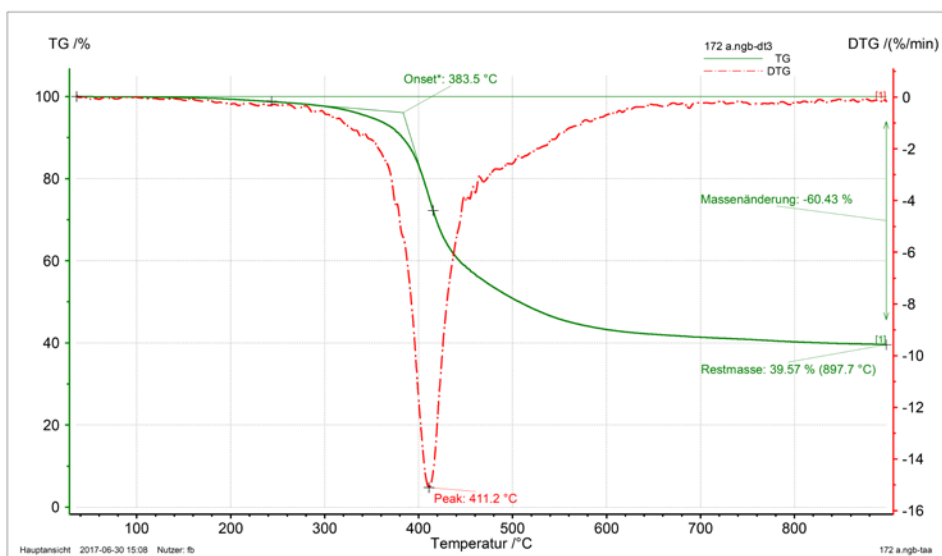


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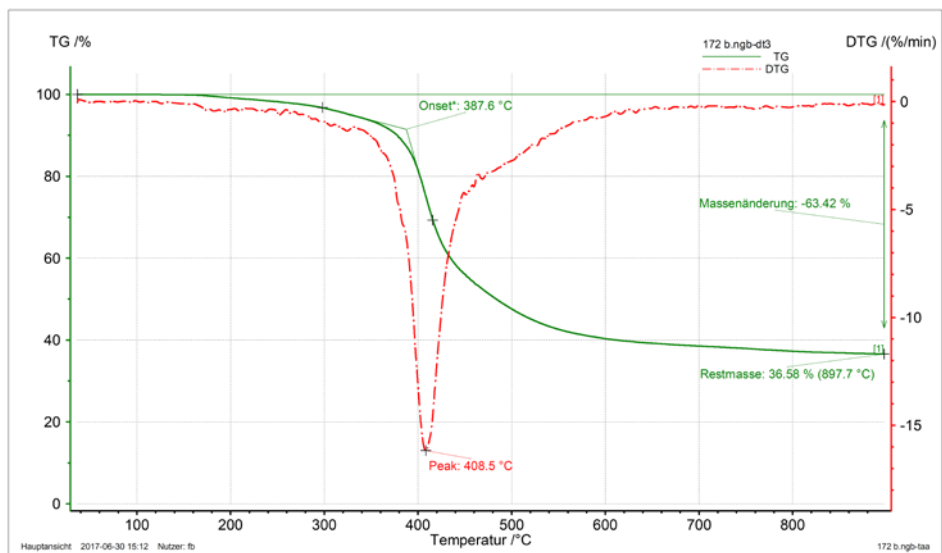


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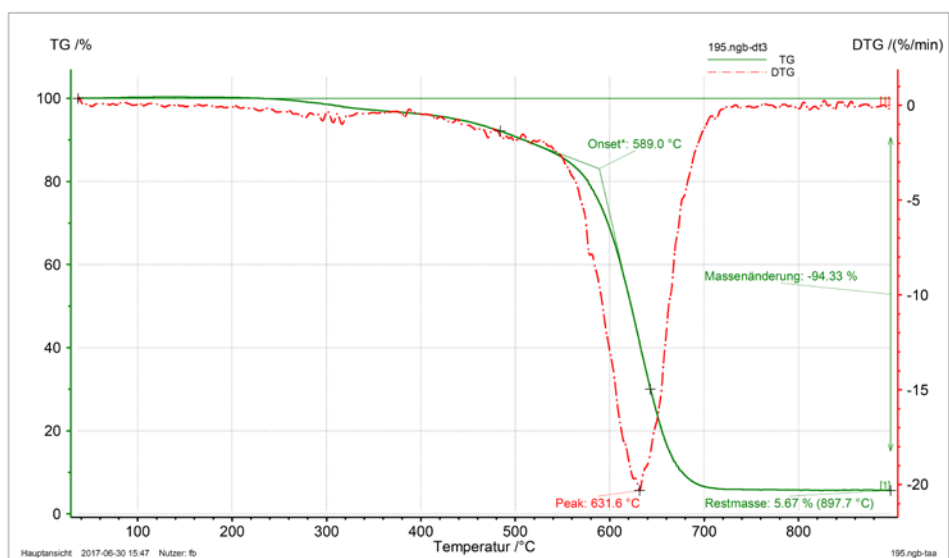


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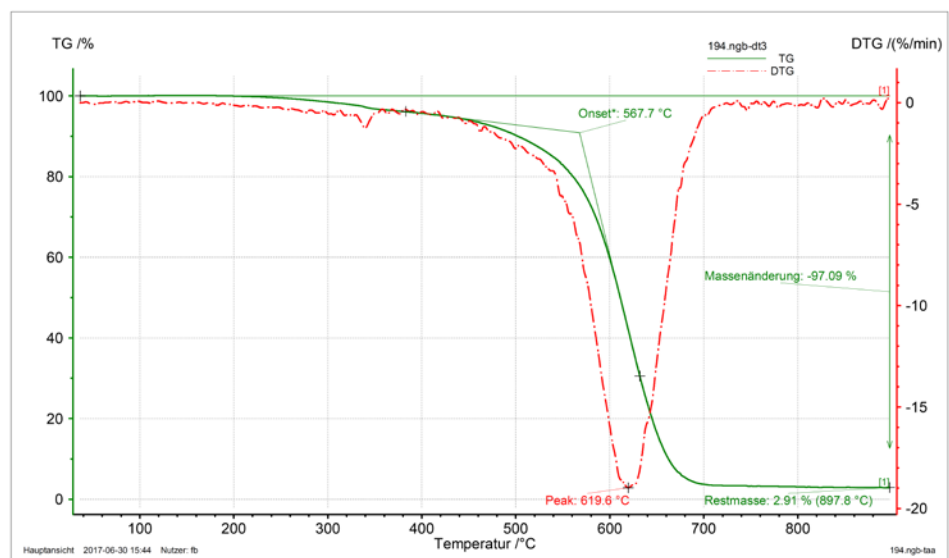


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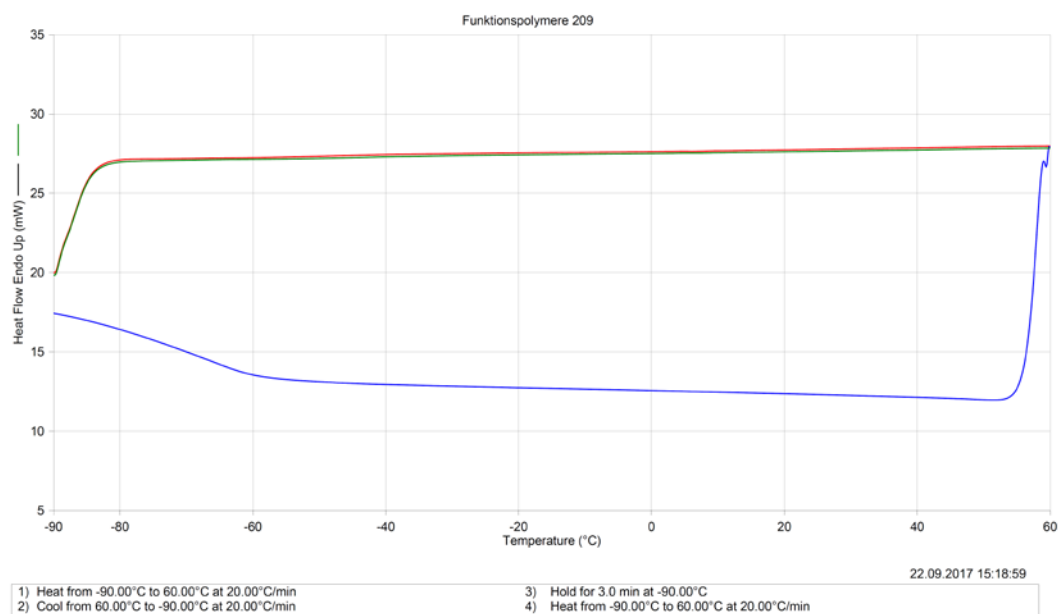


Figure S36. DSC curves of **E2-CI-20**.

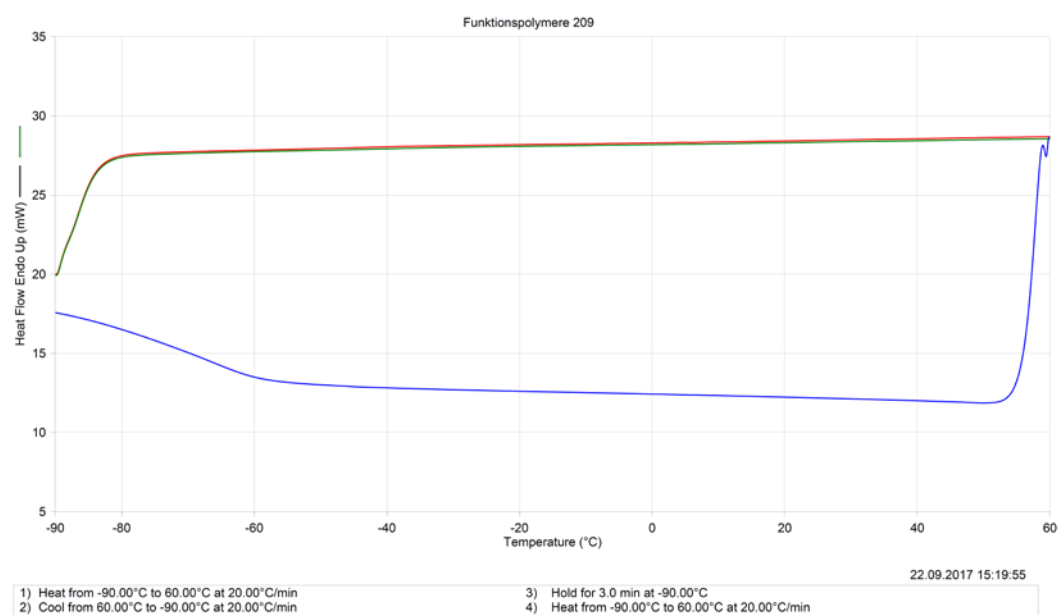


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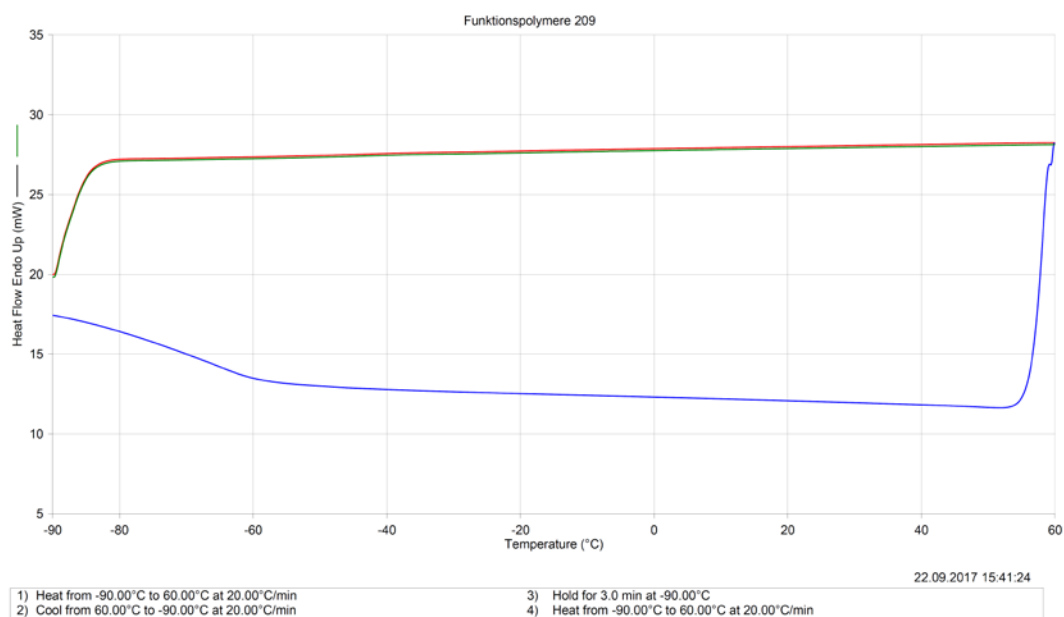


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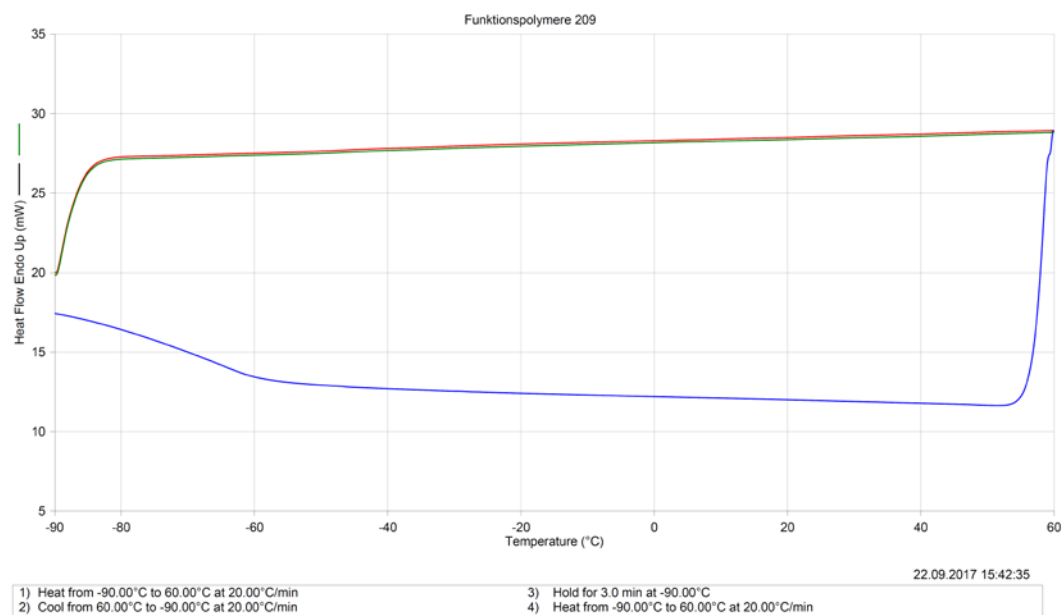


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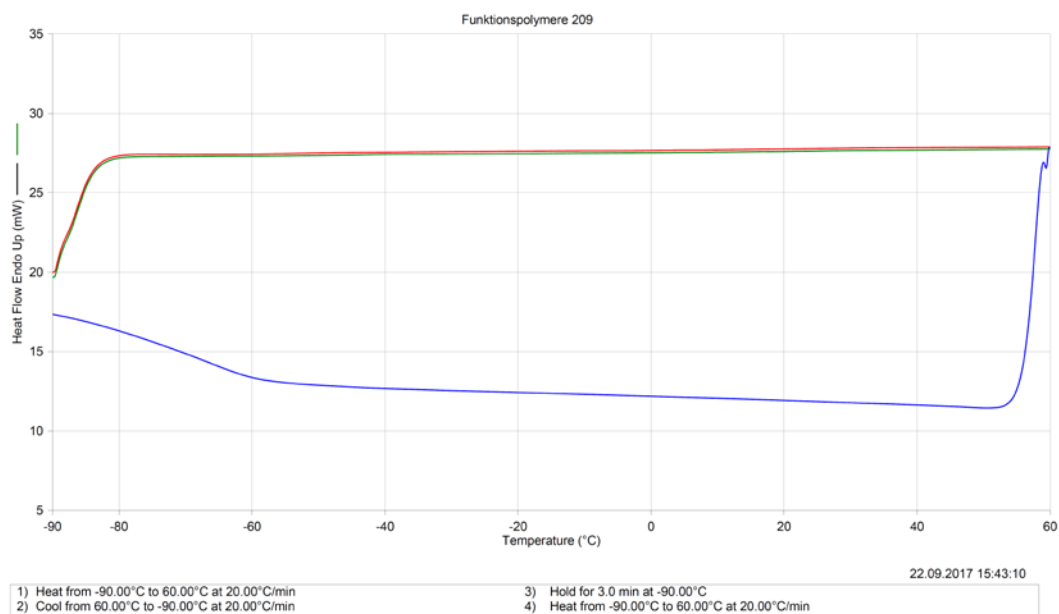


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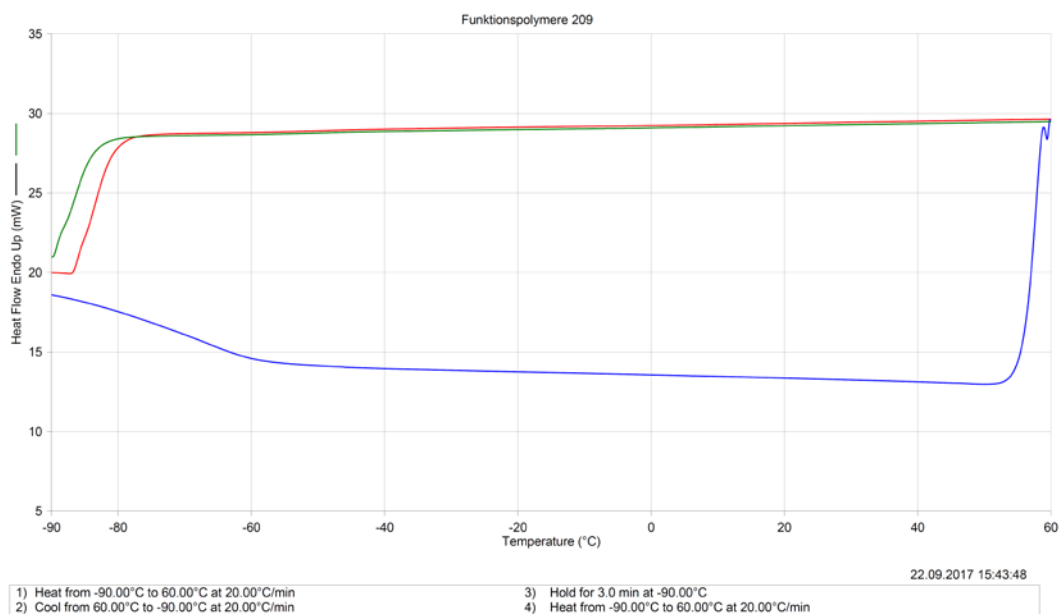


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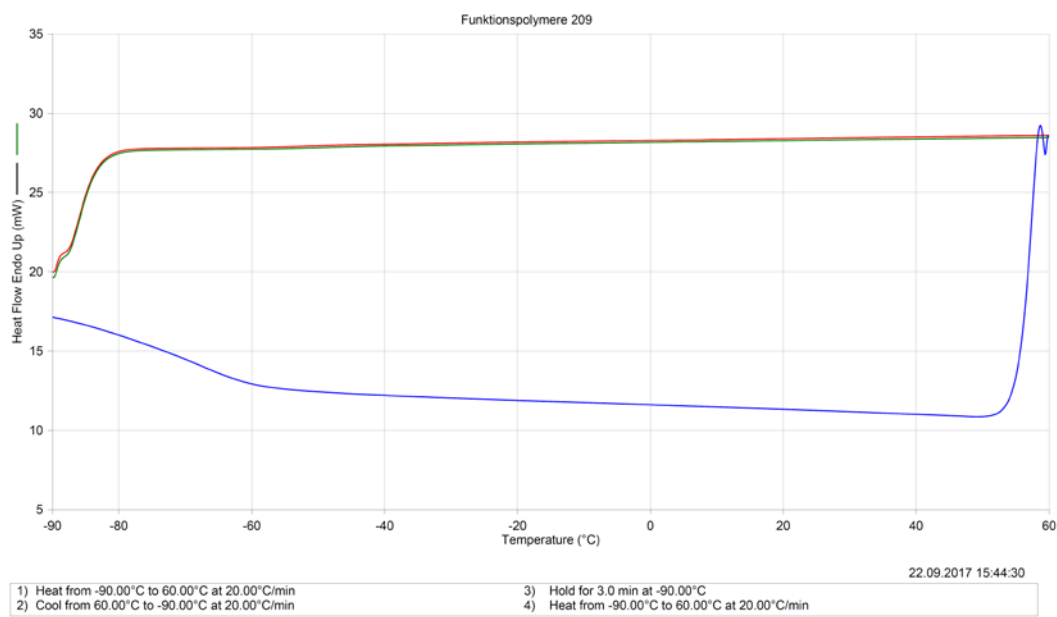


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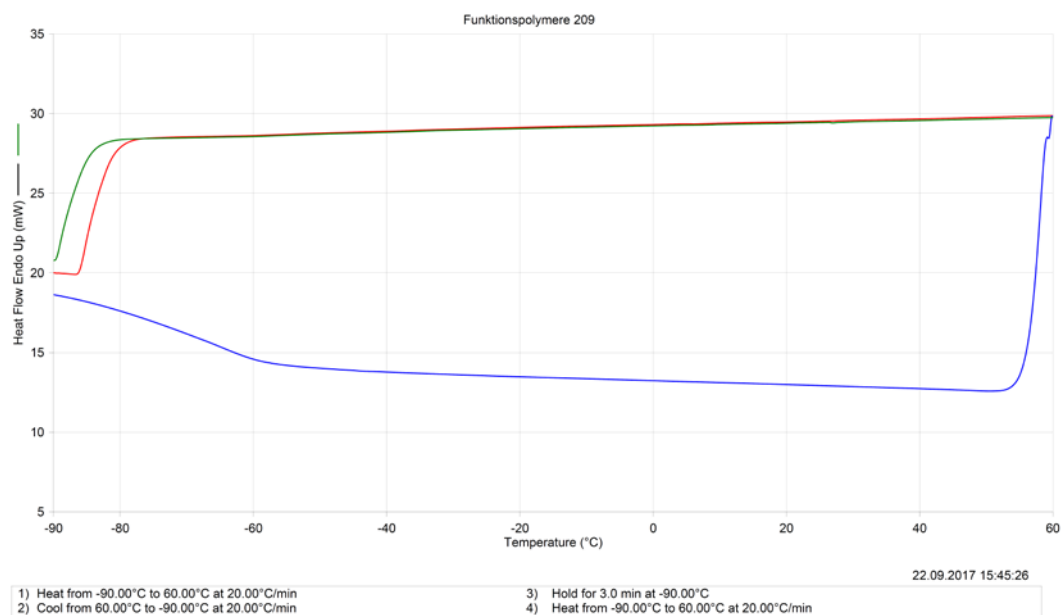


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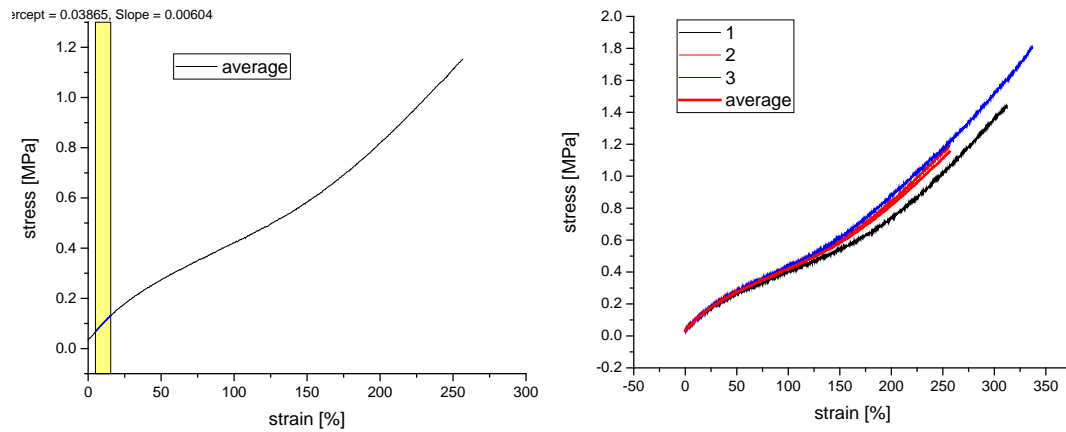


Figure S44. Tensile tests of **Er**. Three independent tests were performed.

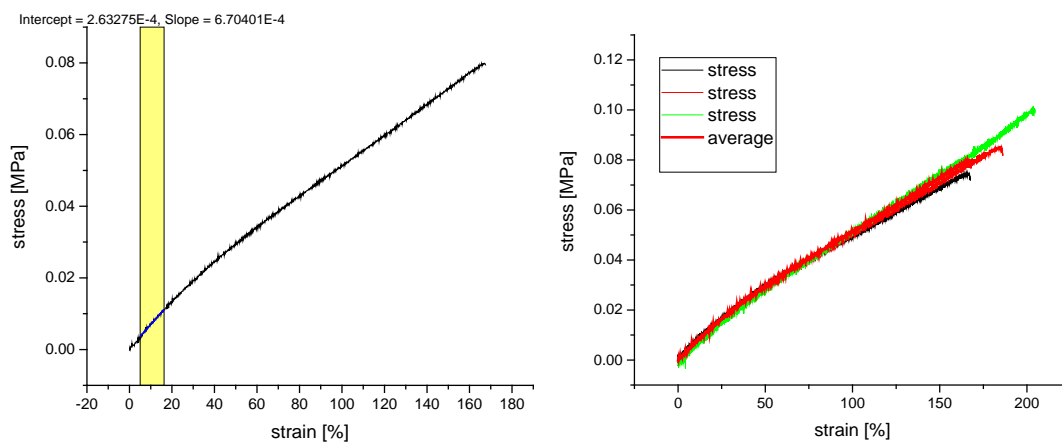


Figure S45. Tensile tests of **E2**. Three independent tests were performed.

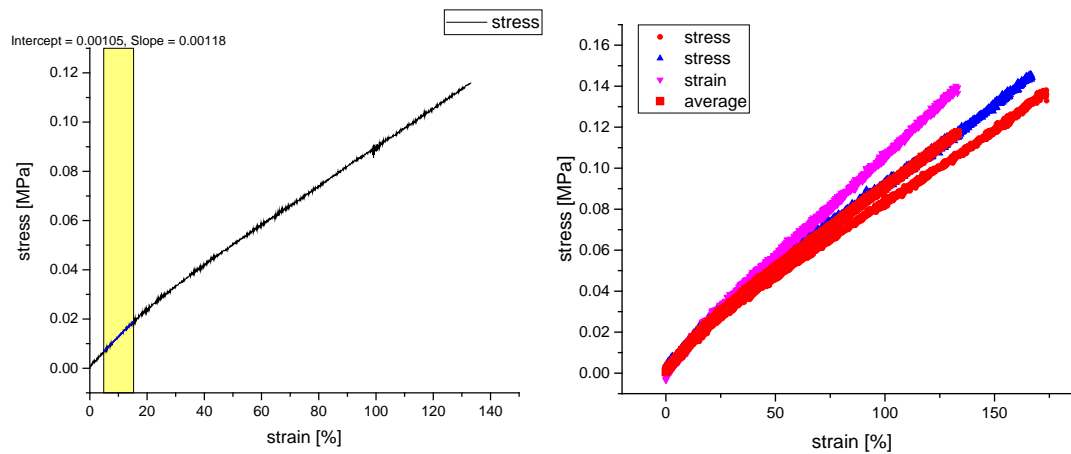


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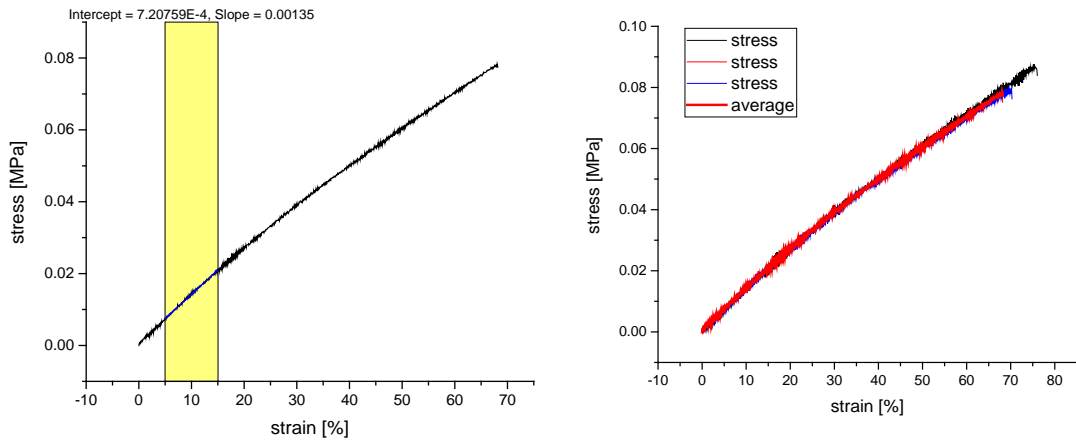


Figure S47. Tensile tests of **E4**. Three independent tests were performed.

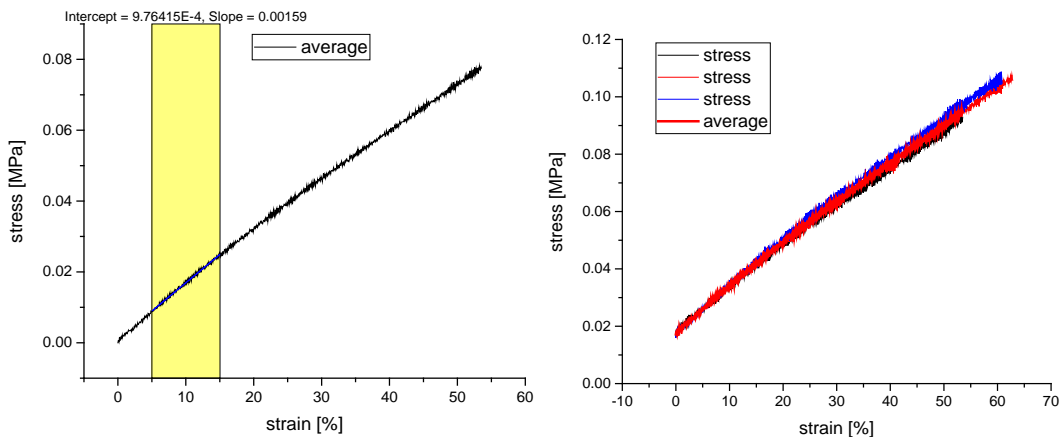


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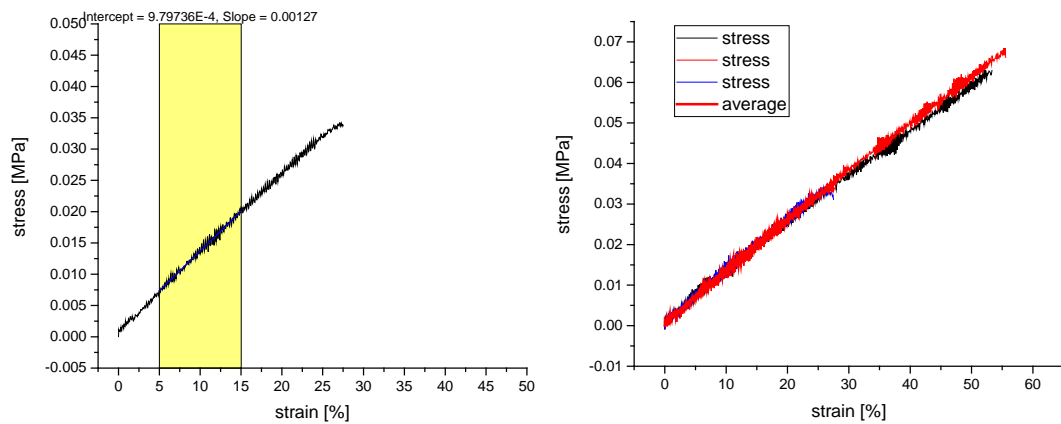


Figure S49. Tensile tests of **E8**. Three independent tests were performed.

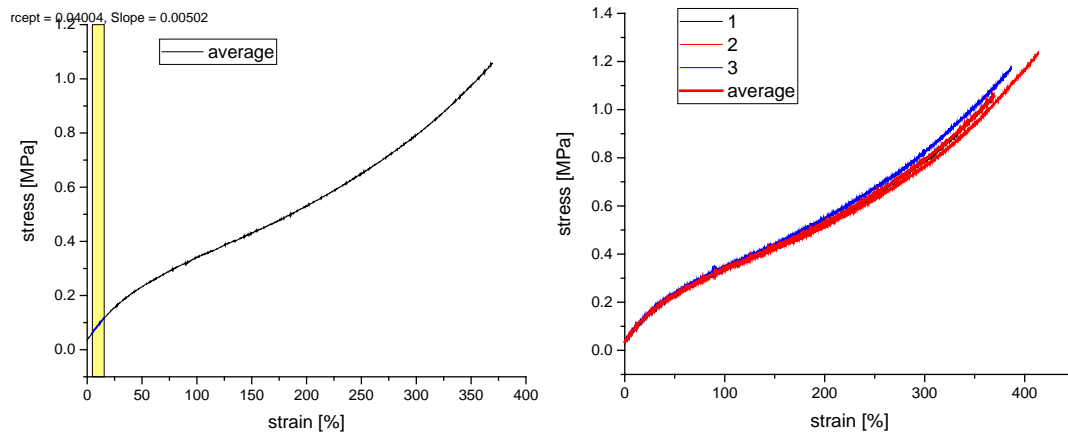


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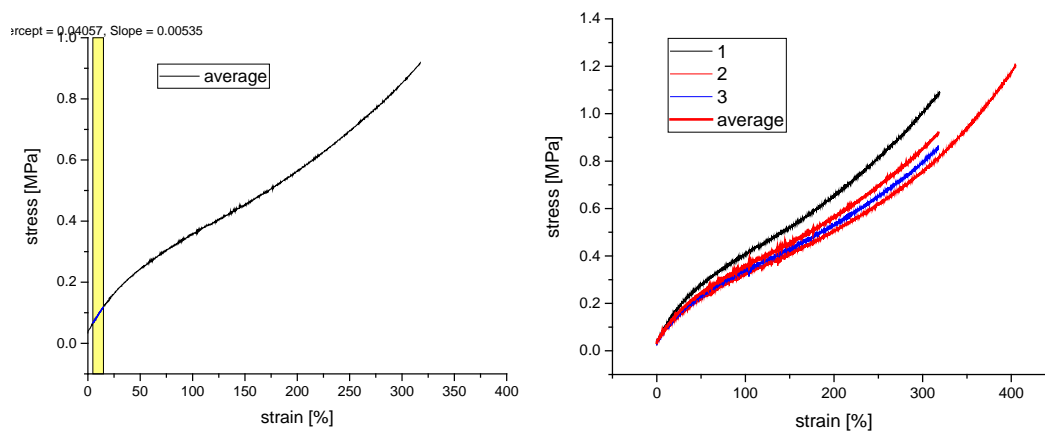


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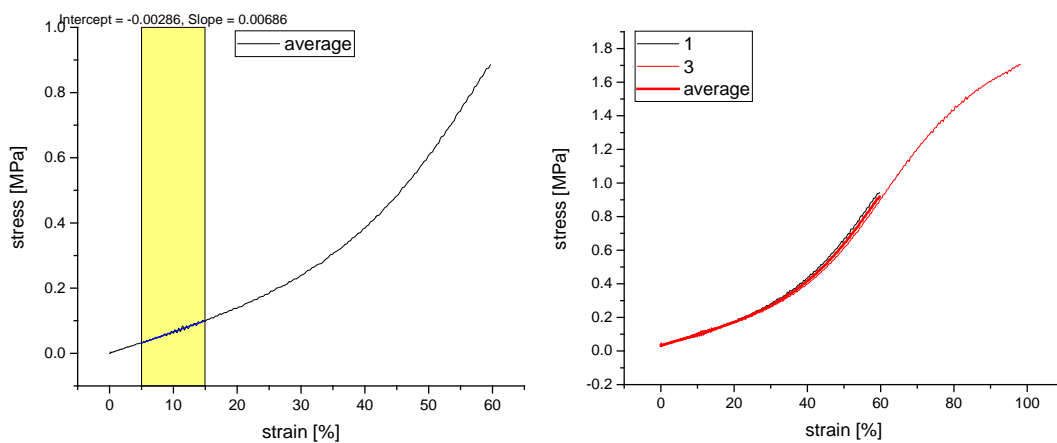


Figure S52. Tensile tests of **E2-CI-33**. Two independent tests were performed.

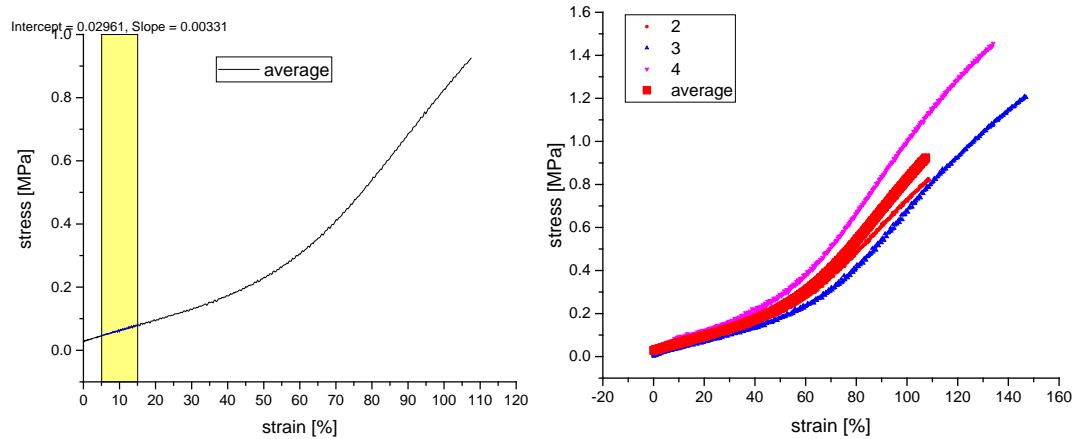


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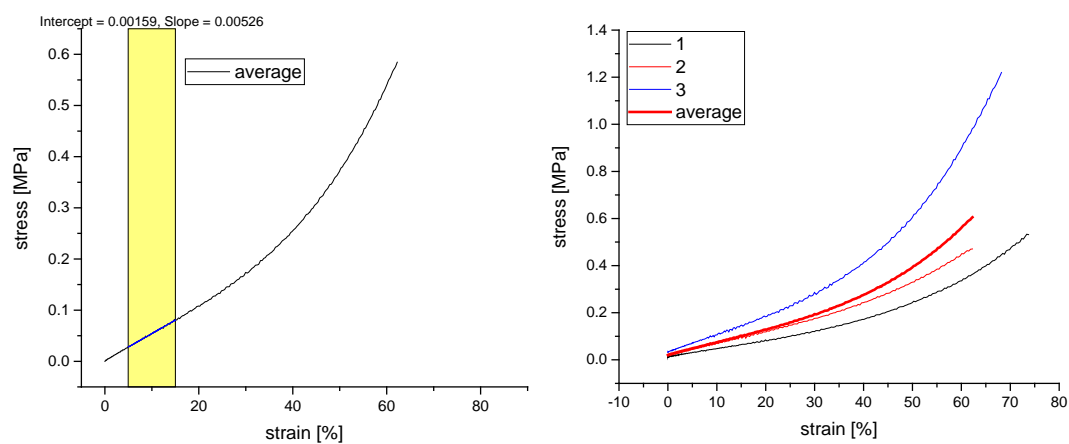


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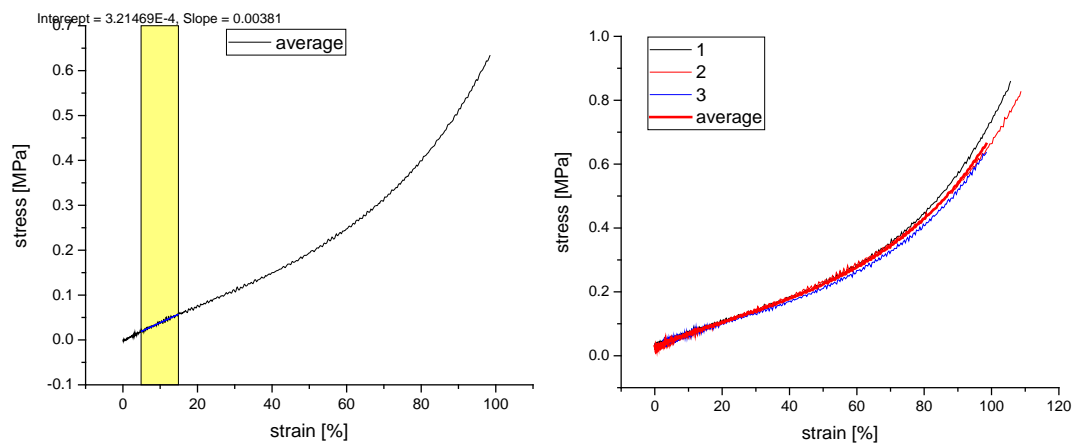


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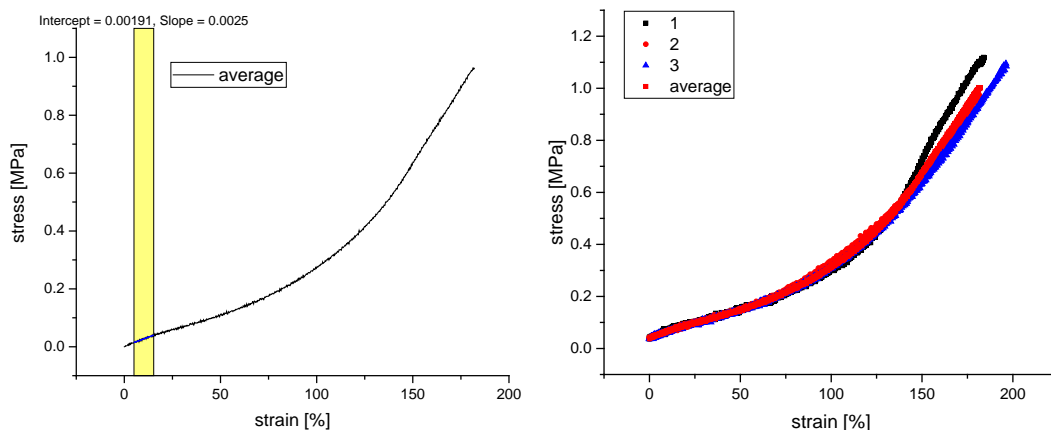


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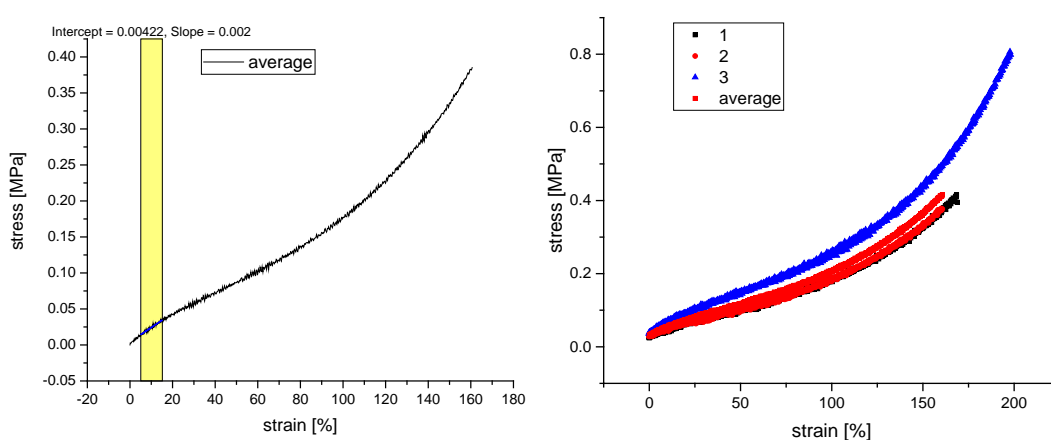


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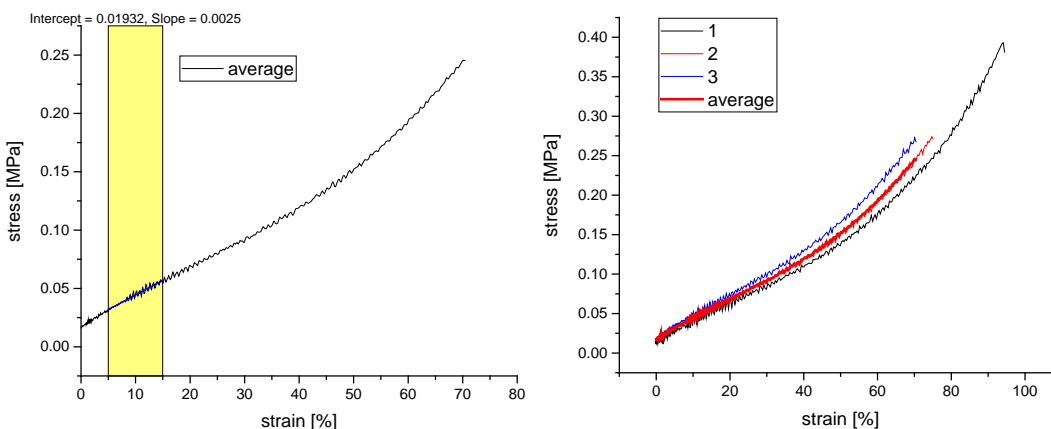


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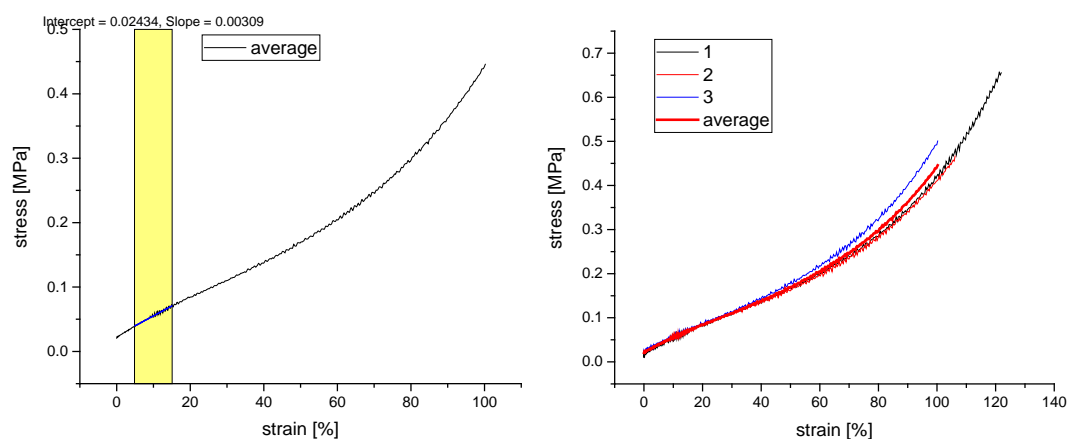


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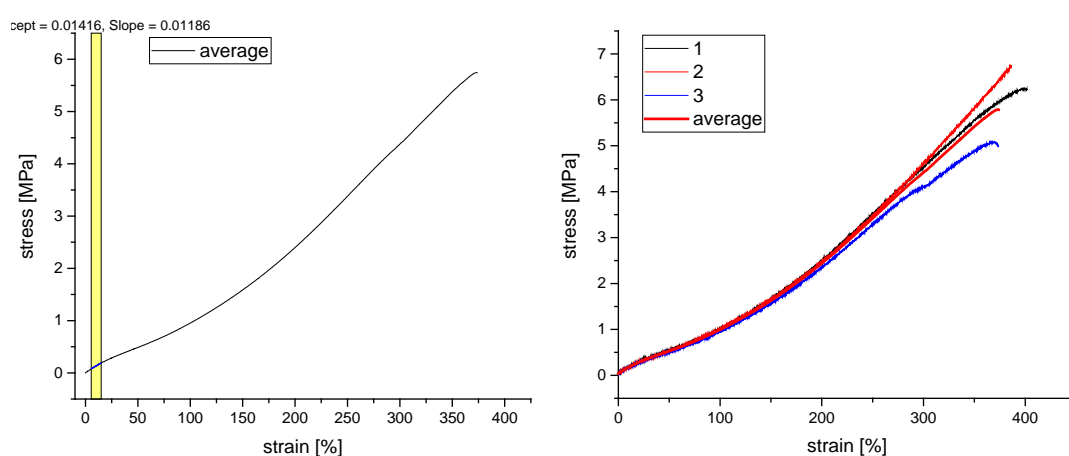


Figure S60. Tensile tests of **Elastasil®Film**. Three independent tests were performed.

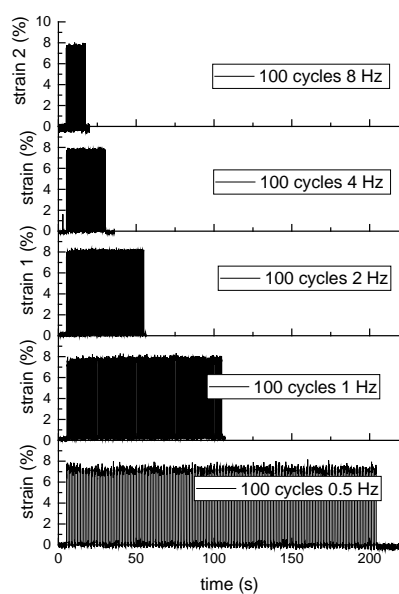


Figure S61. Lateral actuation strain of **Elastasil®Film** 30% prestrained measured at various frequencies (0.5-8 Hz) and an electric field of $90 \text{ V } \mu\text{m}^{-1}$.



Figure S62. Photos showing that the actuator inflates in both directions.

Video 1. Circular membrane actuator constructed from **E3-Cl-20** operated for 100 cycles with $53 \text{ V } \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ at 0.5 Hz. The diameter of the film is 25 mm, the electrode diameter is 8 mm. Carbon black powder was used as electrode.

Video 2. Circular membrane actuator constructed from **E3-Cl-20** operated for 1000 cycles at $42 \text{ V } \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ at 10 Hz.

Video 3. Circular membrane actuator constructed from **E3-Cl-20** tested at different voltages. The movie was constructed by combining photos which were taken at certain time intervals.