

## Supporting Information

### Readily Recyclable, High-performance Thermosetting Materials based on a Lignin-derived Spiro Diacetal Trigger

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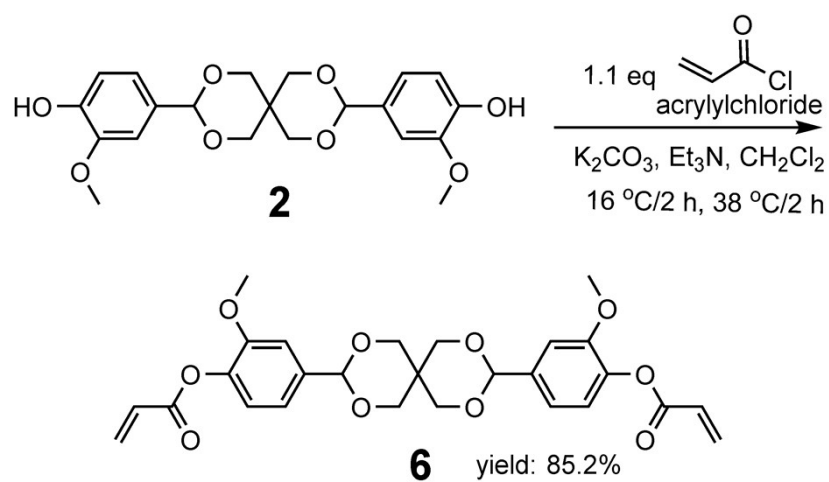
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## Synthesis, characterization, degradation of degradable diacrylate (**6**)

**6** was synthesized through acylation reaction between aromatic hydroxyl group of **2** and acrylylchloride. 5 g of **2**, 10 g of anhydrous potassium carbonate (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>) and 2.88 g of triethylamine (Et<sub>3</sub>N) as the acid-binding agents, 20 mL of dichloromethane (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) as the solvent were placed in a round-bottom flask equipped with a constant pressure funnel and a magnetic stirrer, and solution of 6 mL acrylylchloride and 15 mL dichloromethane was added dropwise and reacted at 16 °C for 2 h, then heated to 38 °C and reacted for 2 h. The mixture was washed with purified water after being filtrated and dried with anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and 5.4 g of while solid **6** with the yield of 85.2 % was obtained by precipitation with petroleum ether, repeating the process of dissolving with dichloromethane and precipitation with petroleum ether three times, and vacuum drying at 60 °C for 5 h. The synthetic route is shown in Scheme S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **6** were recorded by an AVANCE III Bruker NMR spectrometer (Bruker, Switzerland) with DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> as solvent, as shown in Figure S7 and S8. FTIR spectrum was examined by a NICOLET 6700 FTIR (NICOLET, America) through the KBr pellet method (Figure S9). TOF-MS spectrum was measured by TripleTOF 4600 Time of Flight Mass Spectrometer (AB Sciex, America) under positive mode using DMSO as the solvent (Figure S10). For the cured **6**, 0.2 g of **6**, 0.3 g of styrene, 1.1 g of butyl methacrylate, 0.4 g of hydroxyethyl methacrylate, and 0.15g of dibenzoyl peroxide were mixed and cured at 80 °C for 2.5h and 140 °C for 2 h. The cured **6** (small particles) with the weight of about 80 mg were immersed in vials with 10 mL 1 M HCl solution (THF/H<sub>2</sub>O=9/1, v/v). Within 2 h, the cured **6** could be completely dissolved in 1 M HCl solution (THF /H<sub>2</sub>O = 9/1, v/v) at 50 °C (Fig. S14)



**Scheme S1. Synthetic route of degradable diacrylate **6** from **2**.**

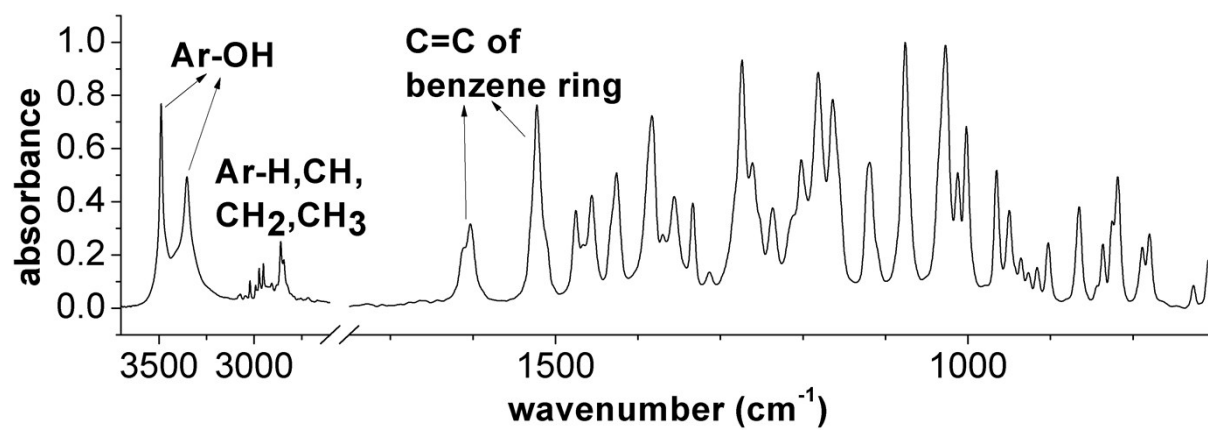
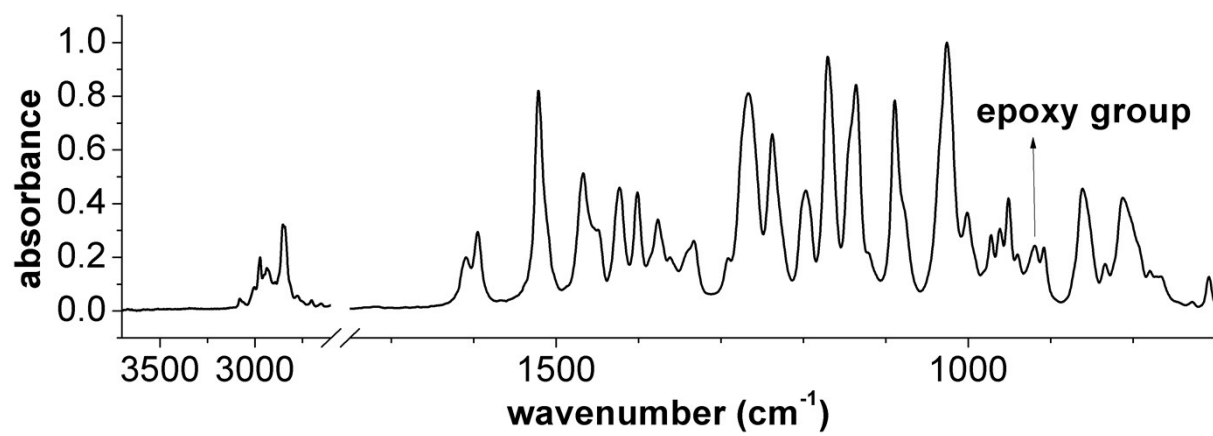
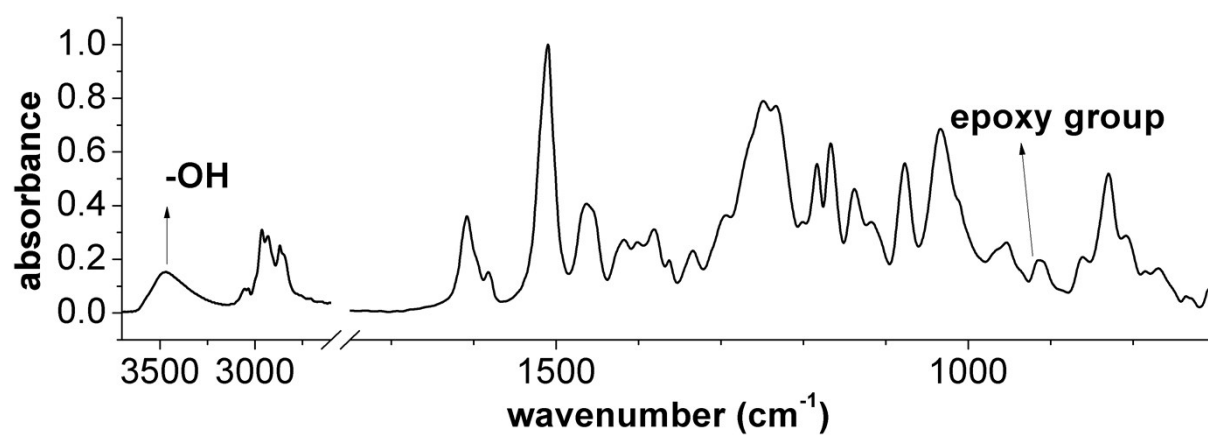


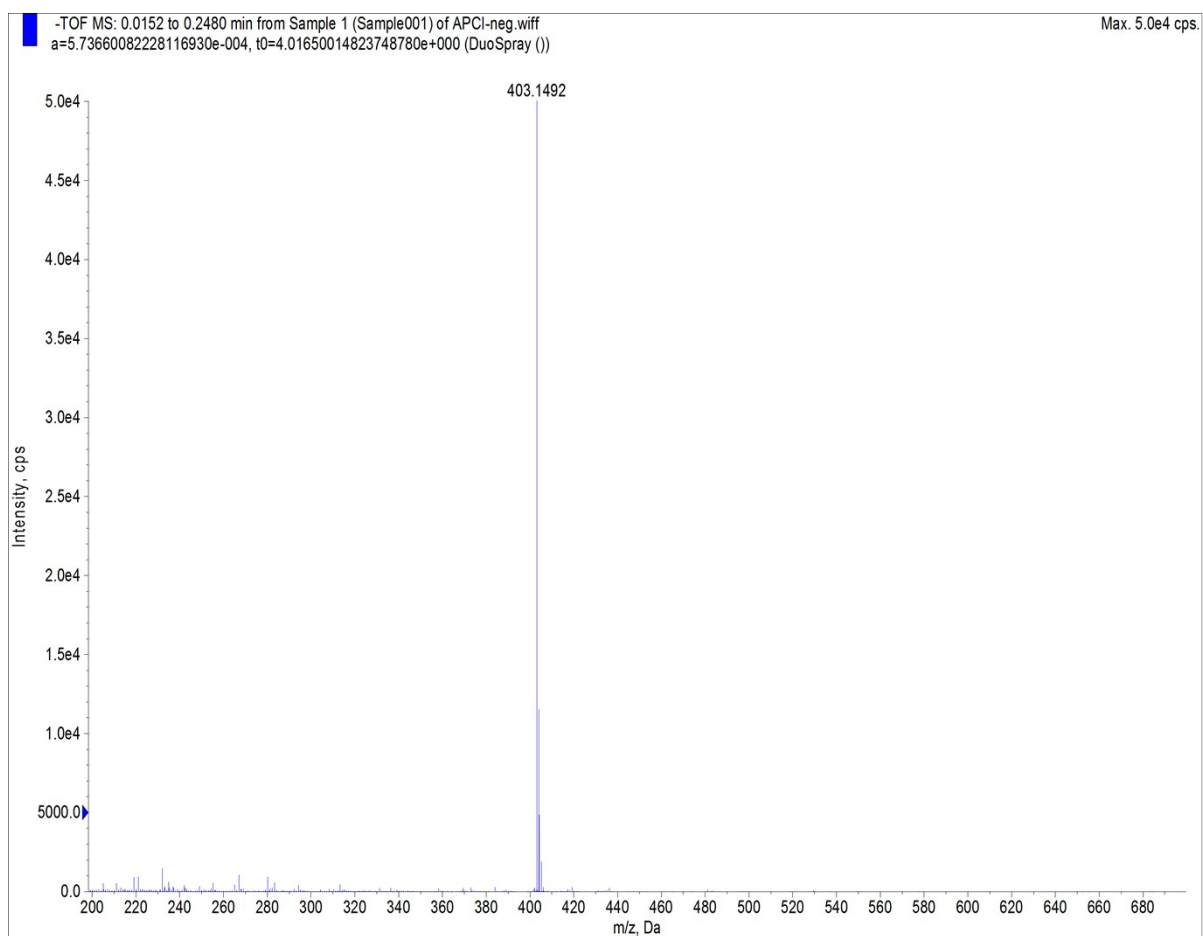
Figure S1. FTIR spectrum of **2**.



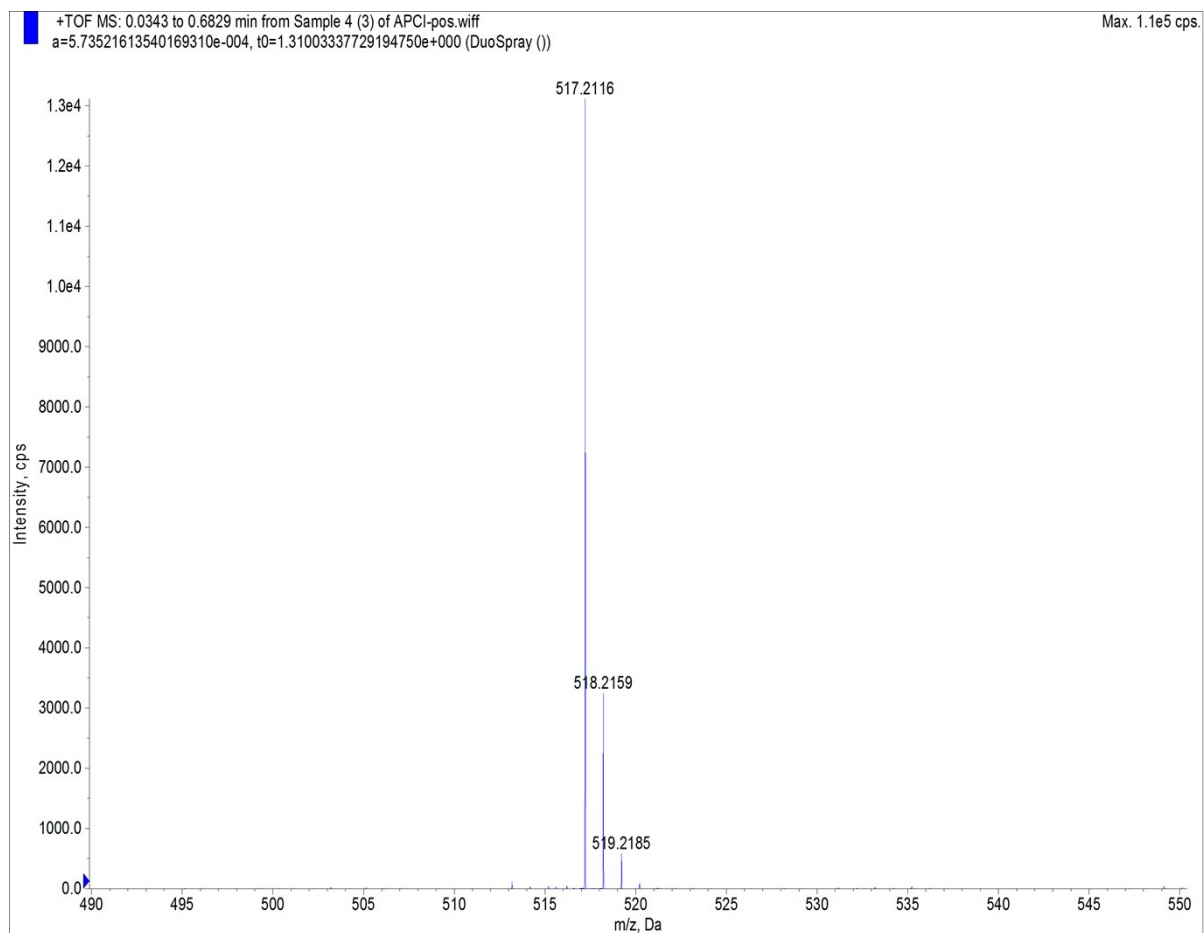
**Figure S2. FTIR spectrum of **3**.**



**Figure S3. FTIR spectrum of **5**.**

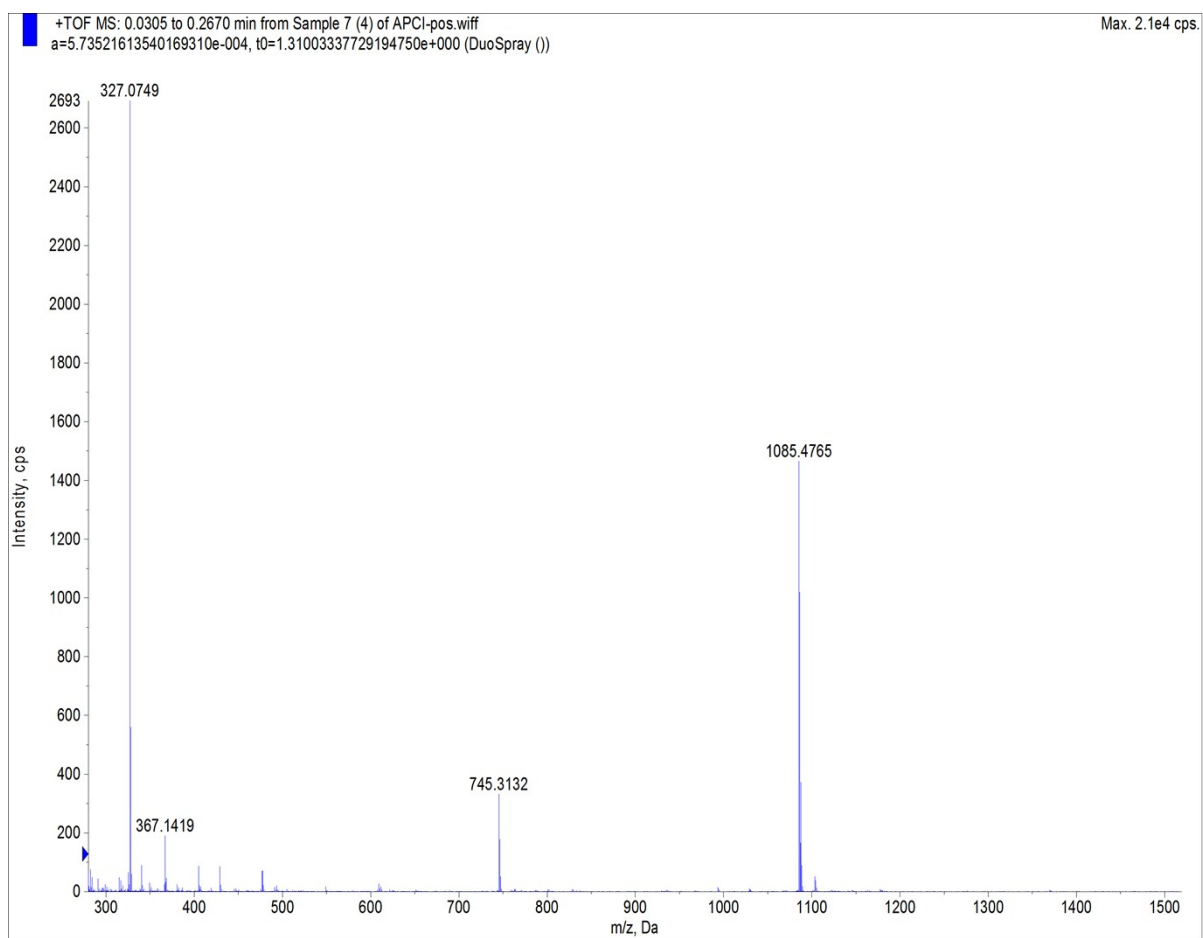


**Figure S4. TOF-MS spectrum of **2**.**

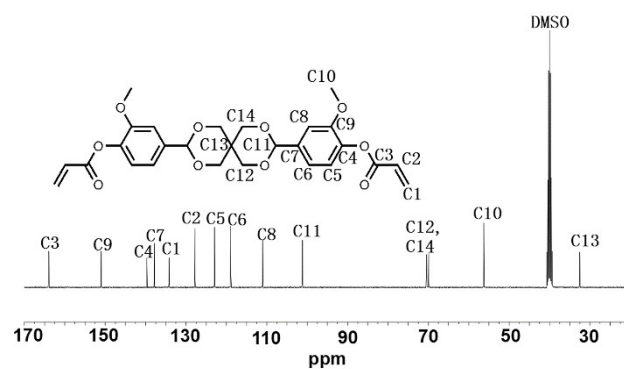


**Figure S5. TOF-MS spectrum of 3.**

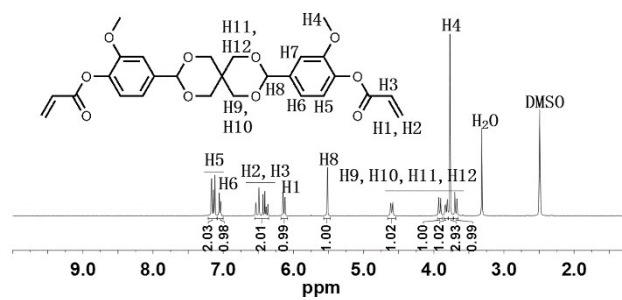




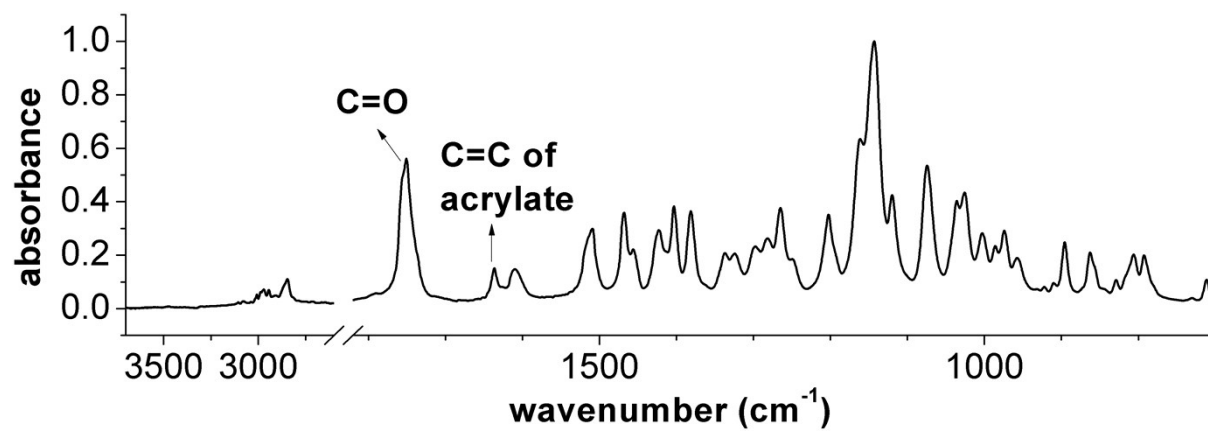
**Figure S6. TOF-MS spectrum of 5.**



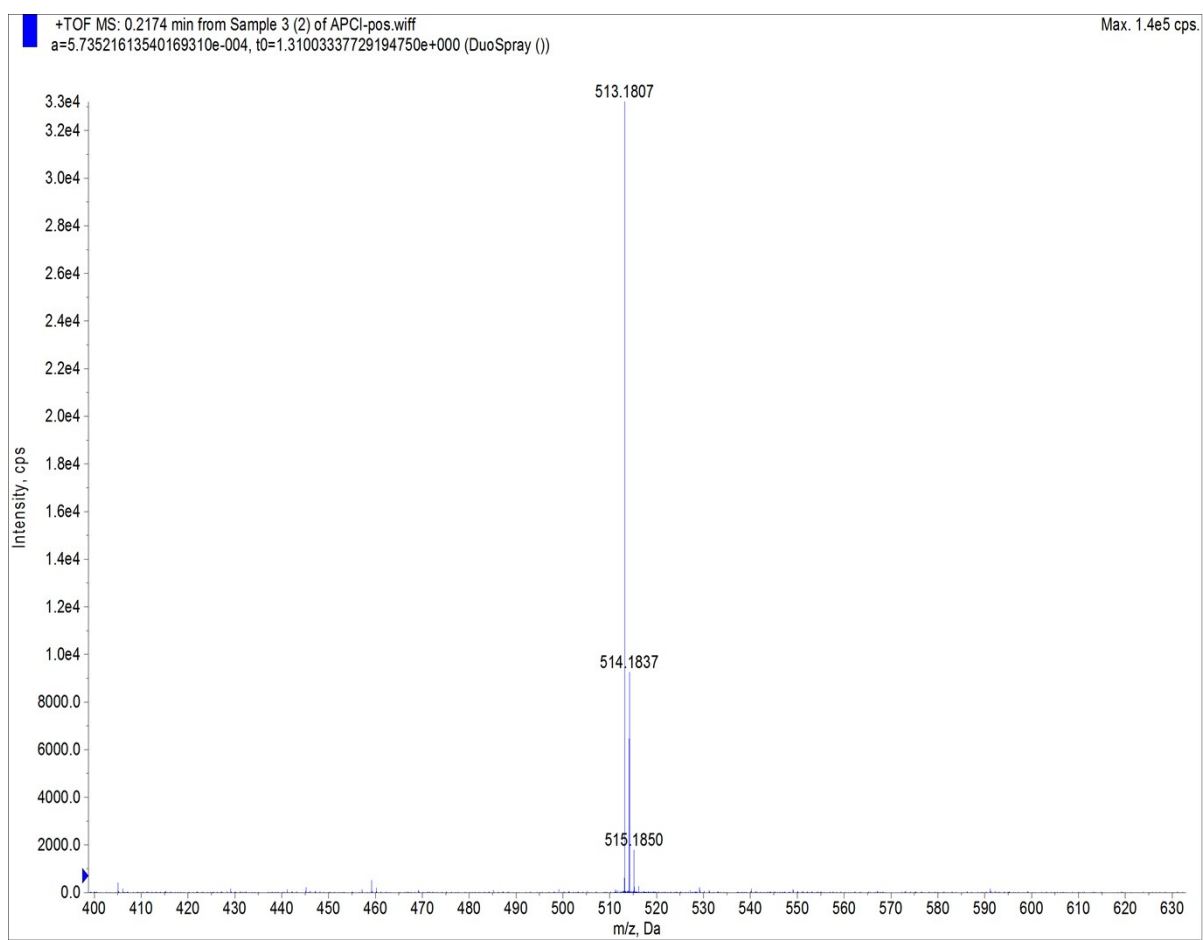
**Figure S7.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **6**.**



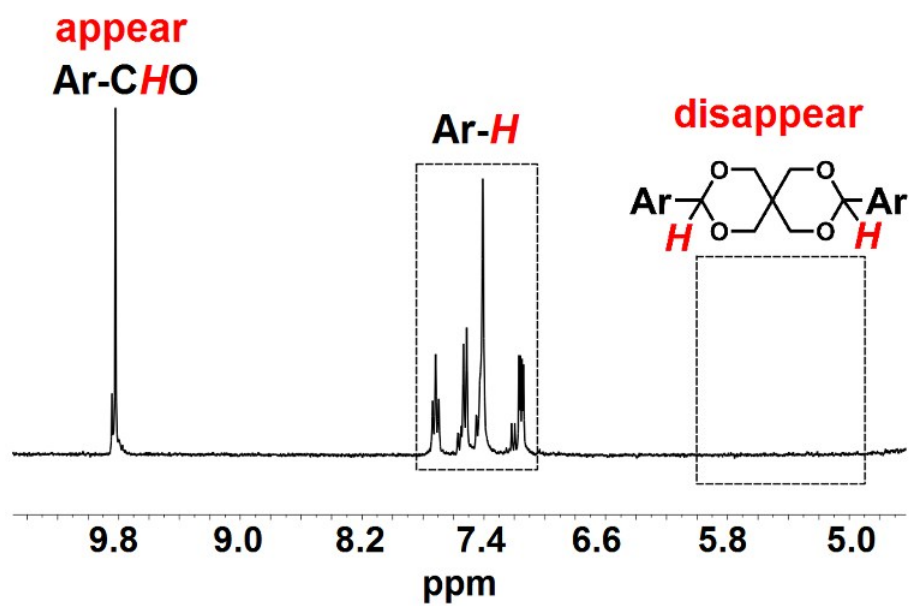
**Figure S8.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **6**.



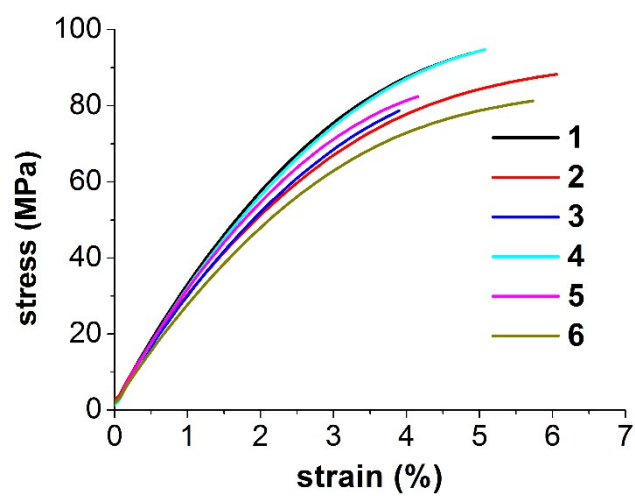
**Figure S9. FTIR spectrum of **6**.**



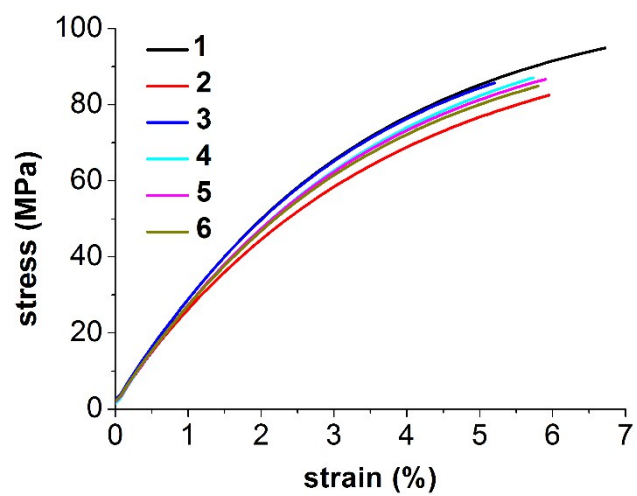
**Figure S10. TOF-MS spectrum of **6**.**



**Figure S11.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the DDM cured **3** immersed in 0.1 M HCl solution (acetone/ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  = 9/1, v/v) at 50 °C for 120 min.

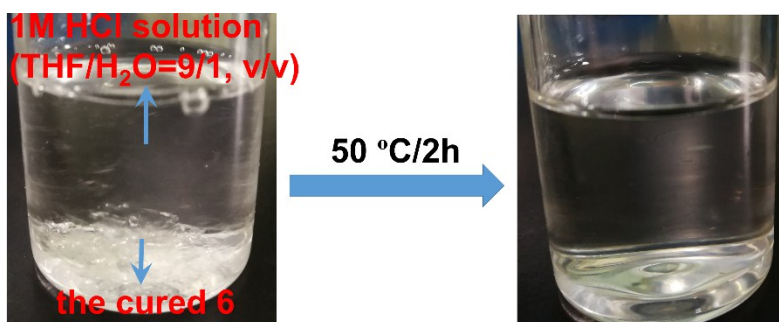


**Figure S12.** Tensile stress-strain curves of the cured **3**.

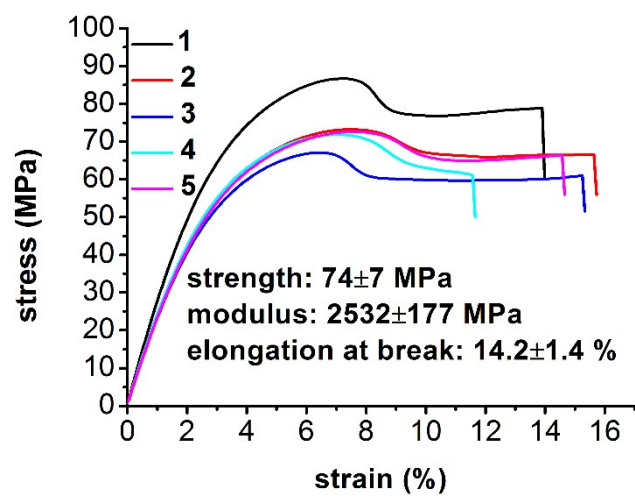


**Figure S13.** Tensile stress-strain curves of the cured **4**.

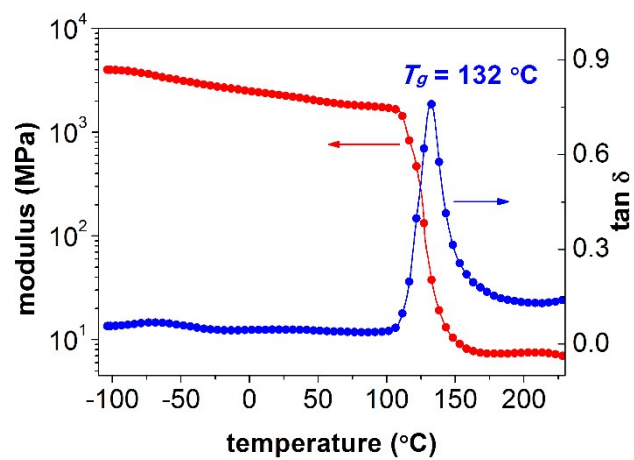




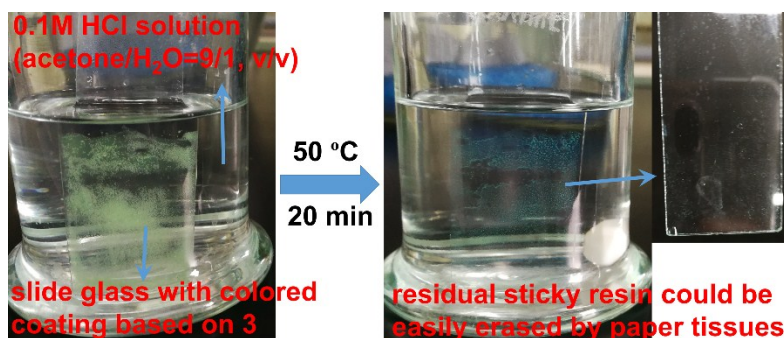
**Figure S14.** Appearance of the cured **6** before and after immersing in 1 M HCl solution (THF/H<sub>2</sub>O=9/1, v/v).



**Figure S15.** Tensile stress-strain curves of the cured **5**.



**Figure S16.** DMA curves of the cured **5**.



**Figure S17.** The removing process of coating on slide glass with 0.1 M HCl solution (acetone/H<sub>2</sub>O=9/1, v/v).

**Table S1.** The coating properties of coatings based on **3** and **4**.

sample	thickness ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	pencil hardness		MEK	mandrel	bending
		gouge	scratch	double rubs	(elongation at break) (%)	
coating based on <b>3</b>	$61 \pm 2$	6H	3H	>400	>28	
coating based on <b>4</b>	$58 \pm 3$	5H	2H	>400	>28	