## Electronic Supplementary Information

# Systematic comparison of racemic and enantiopure multicomponent crystals of phenylsuccinic acid—the role of chirality

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## Experimental details

## Crystallisations

All materials were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and were used without further purifications The multicomponents crystals were synthesized by dissolving the solid acid (R/S-PSA or SPSA) in the liquid bases, while the pharmaceutical cocrystal was synthesized by dissolving the 1:1 mixture of the solid API (pyrazine carboxamide) and the solid acid (rac-PSA or S-PSA) in methanol. The mixtures were gently heated to 40-50°C on a hot plate while stirring for the solutions to be clear. After homogenisation, the solutions were allowed to cool down before filtration through a 0.45µm syringe filter into new vials and left for slow evaporation.

## Analytical methods

The thermal behaviour of the obtained crystals was recorded with a Perkin Elmer DSC 6000. Crystals taken from the mother liquor were dried with a filter paper and manually crushed. They were placed into a vented aluminium sample pan. The sample sizes were between 2–5 mg and the temperature range typically 25–350°C was at a heating rate of 10-30°C min-1 depending on sample being analysed. The samples were purged with a stream of nitrogen flowing at 20 ml min-1. Calibration was done using Indium as the reference material. A supplementary DTA instrument was used to run one of the crystal samples from an external laboratory. The sample size was between 2-5 mg and the temperature range was from 30-300°C. TGA was performed on a Pyris 6 thermogravimetric analyzer. Approximately 3 mg samples were added to an alumina crucible per samples analysed. The samples were heated over a typical temperature range of 30 to 400°C at a heating rate of 10°C min-1. The samples were purged with a stream of flowing nitrogen throughout the experiment at 20 ml min-1. A supplementary TGA instrument was used to run one of the crystal samples from an external laboratory on a TA Q500 instrument from 25 to 400 °C at a heating rate of 10°C min-1 with a purge gas of dry nitrogen flowing at 60 ml min-1 for comparison of the percentage mass loss with the expected compound. The crystals were dried on filter paper and placed in an open crucible for thermogravimetric analysis. Fourier transform infrared spectra were collected by using a Perkin Elmer FT–IR spectrometer UATR TWO equipped with a diamond crystal, operating in the range 350 - 4000 cm-1 with a resolution of 4 cm-1 and four scans. A Bruker APEX II DUO X-ray diffractometer using graphite monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda$  = 0.71073 Å) radiation was used for data collections. The selected crystal was cooled using an Oxford Cryostream 700 with liquid nitrogen at a flow rate of 20 ml min-1. The X-rays were produced at 50 kV and 30 mA using a Bruker K780 generator. The selected monocrystalline piece was mounted on a cryoloop and covered with Paratone N oil to retain crystallinity. The stream of nitrogen gas was set at 20 ml min-1. Cell refinement and data reduction were carried out using SAINT-Plus<sup>1</sup>. The X-ray diffraction data were scaled for absorption effects by using SADABS<sup>2</sup>. The systematic absences found in the X-ray data were studied and used to determine the point group through contrast with known space groups. The value of  $|E^2-1|$  was also inspected specifically for characteristic centrosymmetric and non-centrosymmetric point groups. The space groups were confirmed using XPREP<sup>3</sup>. The structure was solved by direct method using the SHELXT<sup>4</sup> program and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bruker, SAINT-Plus (including XPREP), Version 7.12, Bruker AXS Inc, Madison, Wisconsin, USA, 2004.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sheldrick, G. M., SADABS. University of Göttingen, Germany 1996.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Bruker, XPREP, Version 6.14, Bruker AXS Inc, Madison, Wisconsin, USA, 2003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Sheldrick, G. M., SHELXT, Acta Cryst. 2015, A71, 3-8.

refined by full-matrix least-squares methods with SHELXL-2016<sup>4</sup>. XPREP was also used to prepare input files which were subsequently used in structure determination using X-Seed<sup>5</sup>. Crystal assemblies, information and other figures were generated using Mercury 3.9<sup>6</sup> software. The Bruker AXS D2 Phaser X-ray Diffractometer was used for analyses of microcrystalline material. Samples were finely ground and mounted onto a low-background sample holder. A diffractogram was acquired under ambient conditions at a power setting of 40 kV and 20 mA in reflection mode.

Hydrogen treatment: Non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically and the hydrogen atoms bound to carbon atoms were placed at idealized positions and refined as riding atoms. If possible, hydroxyl hydrogen atoms were located in the difference electron density map and refined independently. In other cases, the decision about the protonation state of the COOH group was based on the analysis of the C-O bond lengths. The C-O bond lengths close to 1.3 Å were treated as C-OH groups and hydrogen atoms were added with the appropriate restraints. The length of the complementary C-O bonds that were closer to 1.2 Å were treated as C=O double bonds. If both C-O bond lengths were similar, i.e. resembled delocalisation, the group was treated as a COO<sup>-</sup>. To support the decision based on the C-O bond length, the protonation state of the nitrogen atoms of the coformers were analysed in a similar manner.

## Materials

(R/S)-Phenylsuccinic acid and (S)-Phenylsuccinic acid were used. The chemical formula, molar masses and melting points of these weak acids are listed in Table S1. Tert-butylamine (tBa), aniline (ANI), pyridine (PYR), 4-picoline (4PIC), 2,4-Lutidine (2,4LUT), 3,4-lutidine (3,4LUT), 3,5-lutidine (3,5LUT) and pyrazine carboxamide (PCA) were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and Merck & Co. The chemical formula as well as the molecular mass, boiling and melting point of the amines and the PCA are listed in Table S2. The amines used for this research are derivatives of pyridine and differ by the position and number of the methyl groups on the phenyl ring to study effect of the position of the functional groups on the crystal packing.

## [2tBa<sup>+</sup>][COO<sup>2-</sup>]

The  $[2tBa^+][COO^{2-}]$  crystallised in the trigonal  $R\bar{3}c$  space group (No. 167) with  $\frac{1}{3}$  tBa<sup>+</sup> and  $\frac{1}{6}$  COO<sup>2-</sup> in the asymmetric unit (ASU), (ESI, Fig. S1a). Each oxygen atom hydrogen bonds to two neighbouring tBa<sup>+</sup> ions via the N3-H1...O5 interaction and its symmetry generated counterparts (Fig. S1b). The hydrophobic and ionic layers are alternating down the [001] direction (Fig. S1c).

## Bulk property analysis

In all cases the selected single crystals were representative of the bulk material. This is evident when the PXRD patterns of the bulk are compared to the respective single crystal structures (see Result of bulk property analysis for all MCCs of PSA section on page 20). Crystallisations were repeated with liquid assisted grinding and it was concluded that the grinding resulted the same compound as the solution crystallisation in all cases, with the exception of [(S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>] [2ANI<sup>+</sup>]·ANI (no solid material was obtained from grinding because of solubility limitations). Remaining impurity from the starting material was noted in the compound obtained by grinding when the formation of 2[(S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>] 4[3,5LUT<sup>+</sup>]·4(S)-PSA was attempted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> J. Barbour, *J. Supramol. Chem.*, 2001, 1, 189-191.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Mercury CSD 4.2.0 - New Features for the Visualization and Investigation of Crystal Structures, C. F. Macrae, I. J. Bruno, J. A. Chisholm, P. R. Edgington, P. McCabe, E. Pidcock, L. Rodriguez-Monge, R. Taylor, J. van de Streek and P. A. Wood, J. Appl. Cryst., 41, 466-470, 2008

Table S 1 Properties of the racemic and S-phenylsuccinic acid

Host	Formula	Mr (g.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	Mp (°C)
(R/S)-PSA	$C_{10}H_{10}O_4$	194.19	165-168
(S)-PSA	$C_{10}H_{10}O_4$	194.19	173-176

#### Table S 2 Physical properties of coformers

Coformer	Abbreviation	Formula	Mr (g.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	Bp (°C)	Mp (°C)
TERT-BUTYLAMINE	tBa	$C_4H_{11}N$	73.14	44-46	n/a
ANILINE	ANI	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N	93.13	183-184	n/a
PYRIDINE	PYR	C5H5N	79.10	115-116	n/a
4-PICOLINE	4PIC	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N	93.13	144-145	n/a
2,4-LUTIDINE	2,4LUT	C7H9N	107.15	160-161	n/a
3,4-LUTIDINE	3,4LUT	C7H9N	107.15	163-164	n/a
3,5-LUTIDINE	3,5LUT	C7H9N	107.15	169-170	n/a
PYRAZINE CARBOXAMIDE	PCA	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O	123.11	n/a	189

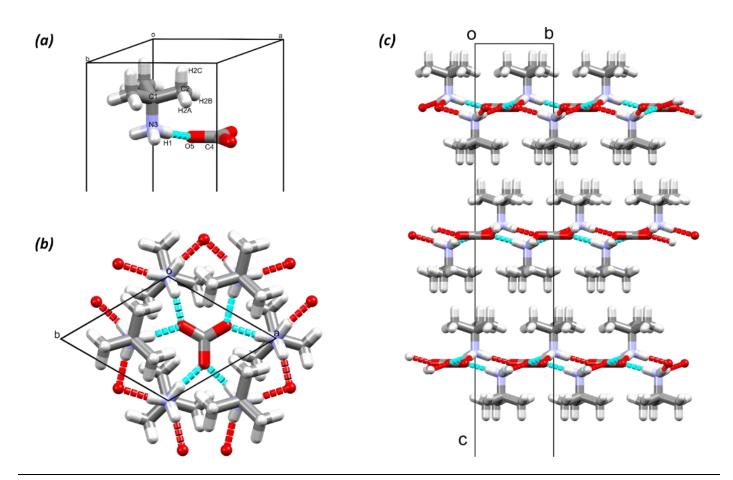


Figure S 1  $[2tBa^+][COO^2-]$  crystal structure with labelled atoms in the ASU (a), hydrogen bonds between the ions (b) and crystal packing view down [100](c)

#### Table S 3 Crystal data for $[2tBa^+][COO^{2-}]$ , $[(R/S)-PSA^-][ANI^+]$ and $[(S)-PSA^{2-}][2ANI^+]\cdot ANI$

	Crystal	data	
Compounds	[2tBa <sup>+</sup> ][COO <sup>2-</sup> ]	[(R/S)-PSA <sup>-</sup> ][ANI <sup>+</sup> ]	[(S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ][2ANI <sup>+</sup> ]·ANI
Molecular formula	C9H24N2O3	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>17</sub> NO <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>31</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>
Formula weight (g.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	208.30	287.30	473.56
Crystal system	Trigonal	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>R</i> 3c (167)	<i>P</i> n(7)	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> (18)
a (Å)	6.3212(9)	9.5310(19)	25.731(5)
<b>b</b> (Å)	6.3212(9)	8.3030(17)	8.2594(17)
c (Å)	53.448(11)	9.885(2)	12.118(2)
α (°)	90	90	90
β(°)	90	111.82(3)	90
γ (°)	120	90	90
V (Å)	1849.5(6)	726.2(3)	2575.3(9)
Ζ	6 2		4
ρcalc/ g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.122	1.314	1.221
μ (MoKa) / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.083	0.095	0.082
<b>F</b> (000)	696 304		1008
Crystal size (mm)	$0.07 \times 0.38 \times 0.40$	$0.04 \times 0.240 \times 0.300$	$0.093 \times 0.328 \times 0.334$
Temperature (K)	173(2) 173(2)		173(2)
Radiation [Å]	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)
Theta min-max [°]	2.286, 28.417	2.453, 28.389	1.583, 27.175
Dataset	-8:7, -8:8, -70:70	-12:12, -11:11, -13:13	-33:32, -10:10, -15:15
<b>Final R indices [I &gt; 2.0 (I)]</b>	$R_1 = 0.0331, wR_2 = 0.0922$	$R_1 = 0.0392, wR_2 = 0.0810$	$R_1 = 0.0415, wR_2 = 0.0996$
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0359, wR_2 = 0.0946$	$R_1 = 0.0500, wR_2 = 0.0862$	$R_1 = 0.0473, wR_2 = 0.1028$
Tot., uniq.data, R (int)	4739, 484, 0.0280	10213, 3039 , 0.0316	28838, 5209 , 0.0375
Nref, Npar	528, 26	3608, 206	5734, 394
S	1.118	0.992	1.068
Max. ans av. Shift/error	0.000, 0.000	0.000, 0.000	0.000, 0.000
Min. and max. resd. Dens (Å <sup>3</sup> )	-0.135, 0.287	-0.179, 0.152	-0.223, 0.177

#### Table S 4 Hydrogen bonds in $[2tBa^+][COO^{2-}]$ , $[(R/S)-PSA^-][ANI^+]$ and $[(S)-PSA^{2-}][2ANI^+]\cdot ANI^+$

D-H•••A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H•••A) (Å)	$d(D \bullet \bullet \bullet A)$ (Å)	D-H••• $A$ (°)	Symmetry operator				
[2tBa <sup>+</sup> ][COO <sup>2-</sup> ]									
N3-H1•••O5	0.95	1.79	2.730	170.0					
[( <b>R</b> /S)- <b>P</b> SA <sup>-</sup> ][ANI <sup>+</sup> ]									
N15-H15A•••O10	1.02	1.67	2.675	168.5					
N15-H15B•••O13	0.87	2.36	2.937	124.2	x, y, z+1				
N15-H15B•••O14	0.87	2.34	2.937	126.1	x-1/2, -y+1, z+1/2				
N15-H15C•••011	0.94	1.77	2.714	177.4	x+1/2, -y+1, z+1/2				
O14-H14•••O11	0.91	1.61	2.523	173.5	x+1/2, -y+1, z-1/2				
		[(S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ]	] [2ANI <sup>+</sup> ]·ANI						
С17-Н17•••О13	0.95	2.50	3.265	138.1					
N15-H15A•••013	0.94	2.51	3.024	114.5					
N15-H15A•••O14	0.94	1.81	2.721	163.5					
N15-H15B•••O11	0.93	1.85	2.743	160.4	x, y+1, z				
N22-H22C•••O10	0.95	1.79	2.736	174.0	x, y+1, z				
N22-H22C•••O11	0.95	2.55	3.083	116.0	x, y+1, z				
N22-H22A•••O13	0.91	1.78	2.684	174.4					
N22-H22B•••O10	0.95	1.78	2.723	175.8	-x+1/2, y+1/2, -z				
N29-H29A•••O11	0.87	2.22	3.089	175.4					
N15-H15C•••014	0.94	1.77	2.709	176.0	-x+1/2, y+1/2, -z+1				
С17-Н17•••О13	0.95	2.50	3.265	138.1					

 Table S 5 Crystal data for (R/S)-PSA·2PYR, (R/S)-PSA·2(4PIC) and (R/S)-PSA·2(2,4LUT)

	Crystal d		
Compounds	(R/S)-PSA·2PYR	(R/S)-PSA·2(4PIC)	(R/S)-PSA·2(2,4LUT)
Molecular formula	$C_{20}H_{20}N_2O_4$	C22H24N2O4	$C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_4$
Formula weight (g.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	352.38	380.43	408.48
Crystal system	Triclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P1 (2)	$P2_{1}/c$ (14)	$P2_{1}/c$ (14)
a (Å)	5.6697(4)	22.906(5)	11.773(2)
<b>b</b> (Å)	10.5672(6)	5.7441(11)	8.4930(17)
c (Å)	15.5754(10)	15.376(3)	22.318(5)
a (°)	109.3480(10)	90	90
β (°)	96.6060(10)	100.98(3)	96.22(3)
γ (°)	91.6060(10)	90	90
V (Å)	872.44(10)	1986.1(7)	2218.4(8)
Ζ	2	4	4
pcalc/ g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.341	1.272	1.223
μ (MoKa) / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.094	0.088	0.083
F (000)	372	808	872
Crystal size (mm)	0.010×0.010×0.010	0.080×0.110×0.210	0.180×0.380×0.570
Temperature (K)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)
Radiation [Å]	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)
Theta min-max [°]	1.398, 27.532	1.811, 27.131	1.740, 28.452
Dataset	-7:7, -13:13, -20:20	-29:29, -7:3, -19:19	-15:15, -11:11, -28:29
Final R indices [I > 2.0 (I)]	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0359, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0885	R1=0.0782, wR2=0.1954	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0545, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.1303
R indices (all data)	$R_1=0.0389$ , $wR_2=0.0907$	$R_1=0.1345, wR_2=0.2287$	$R_1=0.0822$ , $wR_2=0.1464$
Tot., uniq.data, R (int)	23333, 3681 , 0.0223	11159, 2529 , 0.0316	25976, 3832, 0.0242
N <sub>ref</sub> , N <sub>par</sub>	4011, 243	4367, 278	5492, 353
S	1.059	1.035	1.025
Max. ans av. Shift/error	0.001, 0.000	0.000, 0.000	0.000, 0.000
Min. and max. resd. Dens (Å <sup>3</sup> )	-0.135, 0.287	-0.283, 0.473	-0.270, 0.256

#### Table S 6 Hydrogen bonds in (R/S)-PSA·2PYR, (R/S)-PSA·2(4PIC) and (R/S)-PSA·2(2,4LUT)

D-H•••A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H•••A) (Å)	d(D•••A) (Å)	D-H•••A (°)	Symmetry operator			
(R/S)-PSA·2PYR								
С8-Н8А•••О11	0.99	2.55	3.356	138.7	-x+2, -y+2, -z+1			
011-H11•••N15	0.95	1.68	2.625	174.4				
O14-H14•••N21	0.91	1.80	2.700	174.6				
С17-Н17•••О10	0.95	2.53	3.427	158.6	-x+1, -y+1, -z+1			
С22-Н22•••О13	0.95	2.66	3.308	126.1				
		( <b>R</b> /S)- <b>P</b> S	SA·2(4PIC)					
С23-Н23•••О11В	0.84	2.43	2.974	123.5				
O11Aa-H14A•••N22	0.84	1.77	2.597	166.5				
O14Aa-H14A•••N15	0.84	1.87	2.704	177.0				
O11Bb-H11B•••N22	0.84	2.33	2.938	129.2				
		( <b>R/S</b> )- <b>P</b> SA	A·2(2,4LUT)					
O11-H11•••N23	1.03	1.59	2.610	168.2				
O14-H14•••N15	1.03	1.56	2.587	174.2				
C19-H19•••O10	0.95	2.50	3.379	154.3	x+1, y, z			
С20-Н20•••О13	0.95	2.64	3.305	127.6				
C27d-H27d•••O13	0.95	2.53	3.463	167.3	x+1, y, z			

Table S 7 Crystal data for (R/S)-PSA·2(3,4LUT), 2(S)-PSA·4(3,4LUT), [(R/S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>] 2[3,5LUT<sup>+</sup>]·2(R/S)-PSA and 2[(S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>]4[3,5LUT<sup>+</sup>]·4(S)-PSA

		Crystal data	1	
Compounds	(R/S)-PSA· 2(3,4LUT)	2(S)-PSA · 4(3,4LUT	T) [( <b>R</b> /S)- <b>P</b> SA <sup>2-</sup> ] 2[3,5LUT <sup>+</sup> ]·2( <b>R</b> /S)- <b>P</b> SA	2[(S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ] 4[3,5LUT <sup>+</sup> ]·4(S)-PSA
Molecular formula	$C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_4$	$C_{28}H_{28}N_2O_4$	$C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_4$	$C_{88}H_{96}N_4O_{24}$
Formula weight (g.mol <sup>-1</sup>	) 408.48	408.48	408.48	1593.68
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P1 (2)	<i>P</i> 1 (1)	$P2_{1}/c$ (14)	<i>P</i> 1 (1)
a (Å)	7.0626(14)	7.1918(14)	12.222(2)	8.3469(17)
b (Å)	8.7704(18)	8.7570(18)	14.926(3)	12.268(3)
c (Å)	18.630(4)	18.766(4)	22.984(5)	20.595(4)
a (°)	90.98(3)	89.75(3)	90	84.66(3)
β (°)	100.42(3)	79.83(3)	103.42(3)	86.58(3)
γ (°)	107.25(3)	72.07(3)	90	76.63(3)
V (Å)	1080.8(4)	1105.2(4)	4078.4(15)	2041.2(8)
Ζ	2	2	4	1
ρcalc/ g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.255	1.227	1.298	1.296
μ (MoKa) / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.086	0.084	0.095	0.095
F (000)	436	436	1688	844
Crystal size (mm)	$0.140 \times 0.220 \times 0.480$	0.100 × 0.100 × 0.100	$0.100 \times 0.200 \times 0.240$	$0.200 \times 0.240 \times 0.500$
Temperature (K)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)
Radiation [Å]	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	MoKα (0.71073 Å)
Theta min-max [°]	2.229, 28.450	4.015, 26.707	1.640, 27.610	1.712, 28.361
Dataset	-9:9, -11:10, -24:24	-9:9,-11:11,-23:23	-14:15, -19:19, -29:29	-11:11, -16:16, -27:26
Fin. R ind. [I > 2.0 (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0513, wR_2 = 0.1213$	$R_1 = 0.0647, wR_2$ = 0.1511	$R_1 \!=\! 0.0696,  wR_2 \!=\! 0.1655$	$\begin{array}{c} R_1 \!=\! 0.0768, wR_2 \!=\! \\ 0.1977 \end{array}$
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0683, wR_2 = 0.1313$	$R_1 = 0.1152, wR_2$ = 0.1786	$R_1\!=\!0.1101,wR_2\!=\!0.1906$	$R_1 = 0.1012, wR_2 = 0.2177$
Tot., uniq.data, R (int)	12233, 4166 , 0.0265	9225, 5940, 0.075	51410, 6132, 0.0506	46913, 14901, 0.0269
Nref, Npar	5423, 284	9225, 546	9432, 609	19773, 1062
S	1.057	1.023	1.030	1.019
Max. ans av. Shift/error	0.000, 0.000	0.000, 0.000	0.000, 0.000	0.000, 0.000
Min. and max. resd. Den	<b>is</b> (Å <sup>3</sup> ) -0.277, 0.535	-0.338, 0.428	-0.432, 0.933	-0.503, 0.725

Table S 8 Hydrogen bonds in (R/S)-PSA·2(3,4LUT), 2(S)-PSA·4(3,4LUT), [(R/S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>] 2[3,5LUT<sup>+</sup>]·2(R/S)-PSA and 2[(S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>]4[3,5LUT<sup>+</sup>]·4(S)-PSA

D-H•••A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H•••A) (Å)	d(D•••A) (Å)	D-H•••A (°)	Symmetry operator
		(R/S)-PSA·2(	3,4LUT)		
N15-H15•••O10	0.92	2.58	3.192	123.9	
N15-H15•••O11	0.92	1.83	2.756	176.0	
С16-Н16•••О10	0.95	2.50	3.150	125.3	
С16-Н16•••О10Ү	0.95	2.26	3.148	155.8	x-1, y, z
С20-Н20•••О13Ү	0.95	2.35	3.204	148.7	
N23-H23•••O14	0.92	2.60	3.210	124.3	
N23-H23•••O14	0.92	1.80	2.722	179.3	
С24-Н24•••О10Х	0.95	2.31	3.143	146.4	-x, y-1/2, -z+1/2
С28-Н28•••О13	0.95	2.46	3.132	127.3	
С28-Н28•••О13Х	0.95	2.39	3.267	152.5	-x+1, y-1/2, -z+1/2
С1А-Н1А•••О14Ү	1.00	2.51	3.342	153.8	

D-H•••A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H•••A) (Å)	d(D•••A) (Å)	D-H•••A (°)	Symmetry
C8A-H8A1•••O11X	0.99	2.43	3.342	152.6	<b>operator</b> -x, y-1/2, -z+1/2
C1B-H1B•••O11X	1.00	2.43	3.292	158.5	-x, y-1/2, -z+1/2 -x, y-1/2, -z+1/2
C8B-H8B1•••O14Y	0.99	2.48	3.428	160.6	-x, y-1/2, -2+1/2
014Y-H14Y•••011	0.87	1.73	2.586	170.7	
014X-H14X•••013	0.91	1.69	2.593	176.9	-x+1, y+1/2, -z+1/2
011Y-H11Y•••010	0.89	1.73	2.611	170.9	x+1, y, z x+1, y, z
011X-H11X014	0.98	1.62	2.600	174.4	-x, y+1/2, -z+1/2
	0.20	2(S)-PSA·4(3			, ; · : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
C1A-H1A•••O11X	1.00	2.41	3.356	157.6	
С8А-Н8В•••О11Ү	0.99	2.46	3.246	135.9	x, y-1, z
N15A-H15A•••O13A	0.88	1.82	2.692	173.3	
N15A-H15A•••O14A	0.88	2.62	3.208	124.7	
С16А-Н16А•••О10Ү	0.95	2.38	3.238	149.5	x, y-1, z
С20А-Н20А•••О14А	0.95	2.54	3.180	125.0	
С20А-Н20А•••О13Ү	0.95	2.38	3.235	149.4	
N23A-H23A-•••O14A	0.88	1.85	2.717	170.2	
С24А-Н24А•••О10А	0.95	2.51	3.168	126.3	
С24А-Н24А•••О13Х	0.95	2.34	3.212	153.0	x, y-1, z
С28А-Н28А•••О10Х	0.95	2.39	3.232	147.9	
N15B-H15BO10X	1.10	1.56	2.631	165.1	
C16B-H16B•••O10Z	0.95	2.33	3.194	150.3	
С20В-Н20В•••О13Z	0.95	2.31	3.183	155.7	x, y-1, z
N23B-H23B•••O11B	0.76	1.92	2.667	171.8	
C24B-H24B•••O10W	0.95	2.31	3.209	158.7	
С28В-Н28В•••О13W	0.95	2.22	3.059	146.5	x, y-1, z
O11W-H11W•••O10B	0.84	1.82	2.656	176.8	
O14W-H14W•••O11B	0.84	1.82	2.654	173.6	x, y+1, z
011X-H11X011A	0.84	1.72	2.558	174.6	
O14X-H11XO10A	0.84	1.78	2.612	170.1	x, y+1, z
011Ү-Н11Ү•••013А	0.84	1.74	2.573	174.4	x, y+1, z
014Y-H11Y•••014A	0.84	1.73	2.566	174.0	
011Z-H11Z•••013B	0.84	1.79	2.611	165.5	
O14Z-H14Z•••O14B	0.84	1.88	2.709	170.2	x, y+1, z
		/S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ] 2[3,5LU			
N15-H15•••O10	0.92	2.58	3.192	123.9	
N15-H15•••011	0.92	1.83	2.756	176.0	
C16-H16•••O10	0.95	2.50	3.150	125.3	1
C16-H16•••O10Y C20-H20•••O13Y	0.95	2.26	3.148	155.8	x-1, y, z
N23-H23•••O13	0.95	2.35	3.204 3.210	148.7 124.3	
N23-H23013	0.92	2.60	2.722	124.3	
C24-H24•••O10X	0.92	2.31	3.143	179.3	
C24-H24-010X	0.95	2.46	3.132	127.3	
C28-H28•••O13	0.95	2.40	3.152	127.5	x+1, y, z
C1A-H1A•••014Y	1.00	2.59	3.342	152.5	Λ⊤1, y, L
C1A-H1A-014 Y C8A-H8A1011X	0.99	2.43	3.342	153.6	
C1B-H1B•••O11X	1.00	2.43	3.292	152.0	
C1B-H1B•••011X C8B-H8B•••014Y	0.99	2.34	3.428	158.5	
014Y-H14Y•••011	0.99	1.73	2.586	170.7	
014Y-H14Y-011 014X-H14X-••013	0.87	1.73	2.593	176.9	x-1, y, z
011X-H11X-013	0.91	1.73	2.611	170.9	x-1, y, z x+1, y, z
01117-H117-010 011X-H11X014	0.89	1.73	2.600	171.3	Λ⊤1, y, L
0114-1111A-014	0.90	1.02	2.000	1/4.4	

D-H•••A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H•••A) (Å)	d(D•••A) (Å)	D-H•••A (°)	Symmetry operator					
2[(S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ]4[3,5LUT <sup>+</sup> ]·4(S)-PSA										
C1A-H1A•••O11X	1.00	2.41	3.356	157.6	x, y+1, z					
C8A-H8B•••O11Y	0.99	2.46	3.246	135.9	x, y-1, z					
N15A-H15A•••O13A	0.88	1.82	2.692	173.3						
N15A-H15A•••O14A	0.88	2.62	3.208	124.7						
C16A-H16A•••O10Y	0.95	2.38	3.238	149.5	x, y-1, z					
С20А-Н20А•••О14А	0.95	2.54	3.180	125.0						
С20А-Н20А•••О13У	0.95	2.38	3.235	149.4						
N23A-H23A•••O11A	0.88	1.85	2.717	170.2						
С24А-Н24А•••О10А	0.95	2.51	3.168	126.3						
С24А-Н24А•••О13Х	0.95	2.34	3.212	153.0						
C28A-H28A•••O10X	0.95	2.39	3.231	147.9	x, y+1, z					
N15B-H15B•••O13B	1.10	1.56	2.631	165.1						
C16B-H16B•••O10Z	0.95	2.33	3.194	150.3	x, y+1, z					
C20B-H20B•••O13Z	0.95	2.31	3.183	155.7						
N23B-H23B•••O11B	0.76	1.92	2.667	171.8						
C24B-H24B•••O10W	0.95	2.31	3.209	158.7						
C28B-H28B•••O13W	0.95	2.22	3.059	146.5	x, y-1, z					
O11W-H11WO10B	0.84	1.82	2.656	176.8						
O14W-H14W•••O11B	0.84	1.82	2.654	173.6	x, y+1, z					
011X-H11X•••011A	0.84	1.72	2.558	174.6	x, y-1, z					
O14X-H11X•••O10A	0.84	1.78	2.612	170.1						
011Y-H11Y•••013A	0.84	1.74	2.573	174.4	x, y+1, z					
014Y-H11Y•••014A	0.84	1.73	2.566	174.0						
O11Z-H11Z•••O13B	0.84	1.79	2.611	165.5	x, y-1, z					
014Z-H14Z•••014B	0.84	1.88	2.709	170.2						

#### Table S 9 Crystal data for (R/S)-PSA•PCA

Crystal data						
Compounds	(R/S)-PSA•PCA					
Molecular formula	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>15</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>5</sub>					
Formula weight (g.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	317.30					
Crystal system	Triclinic					
Space group	<i>P</i> 1(2)					
a (Å)	5.7726(12)					
<b>b</b> (Å)	7.9815(16)					
c (Å)	16.594(3)					
α (°)	99.36(3)					
β (°)	99.28(3)					
γ (°)	97.44(3)					
V (Å)	734.9(3)					
Ζ	2					
ρcalc/ g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.434					
μ (MoKa) / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.110					
F (000)	332					
Crystal size (mm)	$0.040 \times 0.220 \times 0.900$					
Temperature (K)	173(2)					
Radiation [Å]	MoKα (0.71073 Å)	_				
Theta min-max [°]	1.266, 28.353	_				
Dataset	-7:7, -10:10, -22:22					
Final R indices [I > 2.0 (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0403, wR_2 = 0.0898$					
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0553, wR_2 = 0.0971$					
Tot., uniq.data, R (int)	19165, 2858, 0.0416					
N <sub>ref</sub> , N <sub>par</sub>	3666, 224					
S	1.040					
Max. ans av. Shift/error	0.001, 0.000					
Min. and max. resd. Dens (Å <sup>3</sup> )	-0.210, 0.274					

#### Table S 10 Hydrogen bonds in (R/S)-PSA•PCA

D-H•••A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H•••A) (Å)	d(D•••A) (Å)	<b>D-H•••</b> A (°)	Symmetry operator
N17-H17A•••013	0.89	2.08	2.949	163.8	
014-H14•••015	0.93	1.70	2.619	168.3	
O11-H11•••O10	0.91	1.74	2.653	176.0	-x+1, -y+2, -z+1
С20-Н20•••N22	0.95	2.57	3.418	149.4	x+1, y, z
C23-H23•••N19	0.95	2.57	3.419	148.8	x-1, y, z

#### Table S 11 Torsion angles and molecular conformations of PSA in MCCs

Crystal	$\tau_1(^{o})$	$\tau_2(^{\circ})$	$\tau_3(^{\circ})$	Conformation
[(R/S)-PSA <sup>-</sup> ][ANI <sup>+</sup> ]	-64.15	81.82	-130.86	
[(S)-PSA²-][2ANI⁺]∙ANI	-105.83	56.68	-160.12	×4
(R/S)-PSA·2PYR	-85.26	176.14	-6.65	
(R/S)-PSA-2(4PIC)	-98.46	65.87	-159.22	J.
(R/S)-PSA·2(2,4LUT)	-93.00	111.36	-11.73	
(R/S)-PSA·2(3,4LUT)	-73.40	169.02	-6.36	
2(S-PSA)·4(3,4LUT)	-113.11	165.80	-59.68	
	-75.46	171.77	-10.97	

Table S 11 Torsion angles and molecular conformations of PSA in MCCs (cont.)

Crystal	$\tau_1(^{\circ})$	$\tau_2(^\circ)$	$ au_3(^\circ)$	Conformation
[(R/S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ]2[3,5LUT <sup>+</sup> ]·2(R/S)-PSA	-99.27	-49.03	-42.52	X
	-93.93	60.12	-138.99	r fr
	-71.72	-70.57	-31.28	XX
2[(S)-PSA <sup>2-</sup> ]4[3,5LUT <sup>+</sup> ]·4 (S)-PSA	-78.14	70.06	-140.60	
	-117.66	76.08	164.75	×¥-
	-71.37	46.24	-130.48	J. J.
	-175.88	47.43	-117.61	<b>7</b>
	-76.84	61.30	-140.35	
	-127.54	64.23	154.65	
(R/S)-PSA·PCA	-74.06	173.47	-18.10	

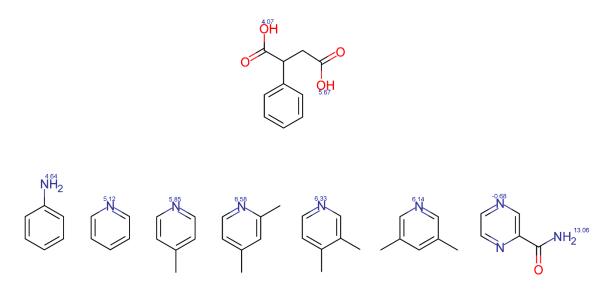


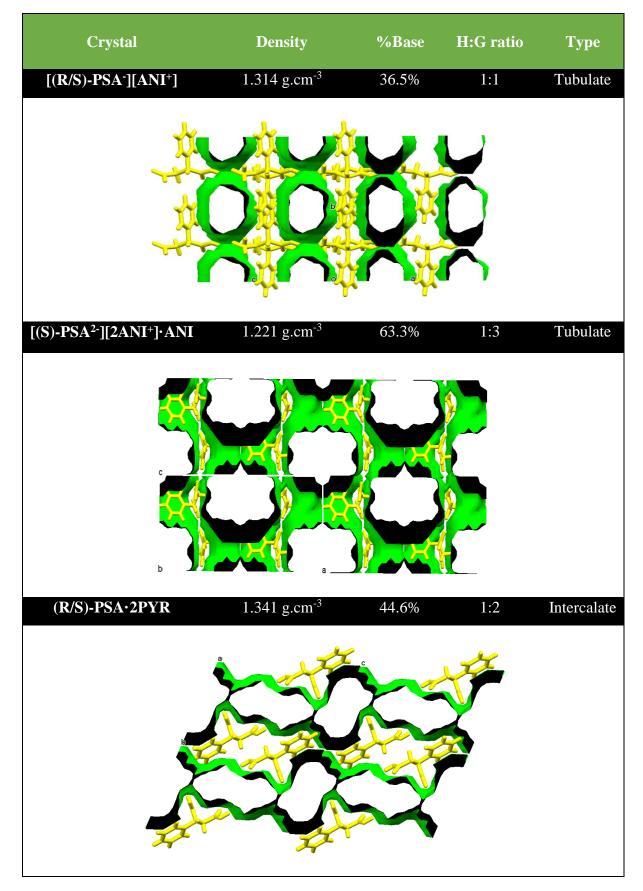
Figure S 2 pKa values of PSA and coformers

Table S 12	Thermoanalytical	data for PSA MCCs
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	Coform er	TGA				DSC MELTING POINT				
Acid		% DECOMPOSITION								
		Measured	Theoretical	Difference		- ratio	Onset	Peak	$\Delta \mathbf{H}$	$\Delta \mathbf{T}$
		%	%	%	TGA	SCXRD	°C	°C	J/g	°C
(R/S)-PSA	-	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	170.15	171.97	146.37	n/a
(S)-PSA	-	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	172.05	177.54	140.15	n/a
PCA	-	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	189.09	191.34	194.54	n/a
(R/S)-PSA	ANI	30.84	32.41	-1.57	1:1	1:1	135.28	137.79	135.66	34.87
(S)-PSA	ANI	48.01	59.00	-10.99	1:2.4	1:3	61.00	63.55	108.30	111.05
(R/S)-PSA	PYR	34.01	44.89	-10.88	1:1.5	1:2	62.17	70.07	97.13	107.98
(R/S)-PSA	4PIC	20.95	48.96	-28.01	1:0.9	1:2	65.72	69.76	92.76	106.33
(R/S)-PSA	3,4LUT	30.61	59.07	-28.46	1:1	1:2	84.99	88.32	146.95	50.29
(S)-PSA	3,4LUT	36.08	68.82	-32.74	2:2.1	2:4	55.46	63.46	80.25	116.59
(R/S)-PSA	3,5LUT	97.32	62.34	n/a	n/a	3:2	134.76	138.78	110.21	35.39
(S)-PSA	3,5LUT	95.51	76.80	n/a	n/a	6:4	97.12	103.19	71.79	74.93
(R/S)-PSA	PCA	97.21	55.91	n/a	n/a	1:2	125.27	130.21	109.97	44.88

\*Thermoanalytical results for (R/S)-PSA-2,4LUT were not performed due to scarcity of sample.

 $\Delta T = T_{onset, acid} - T_{onset, MCC}$ 



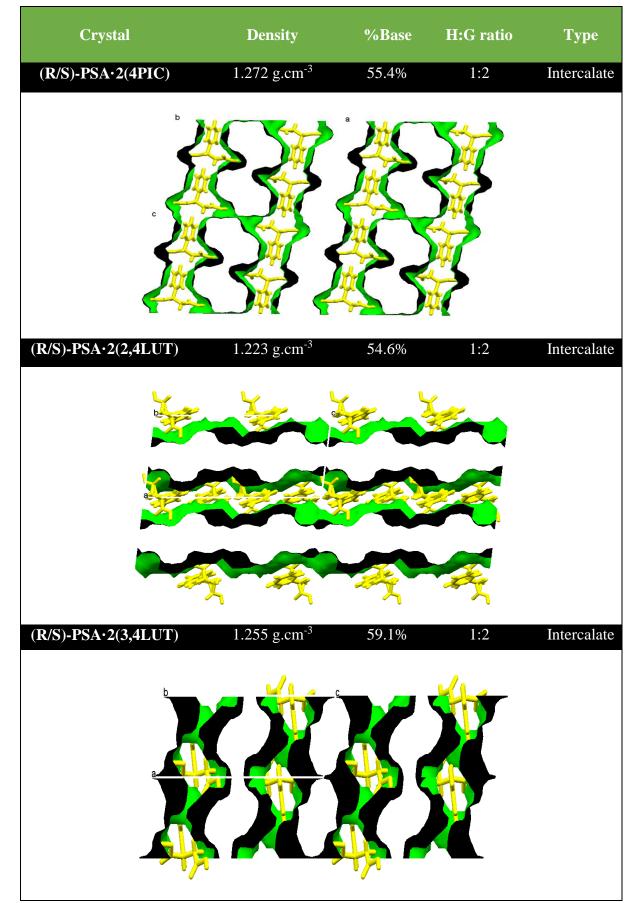
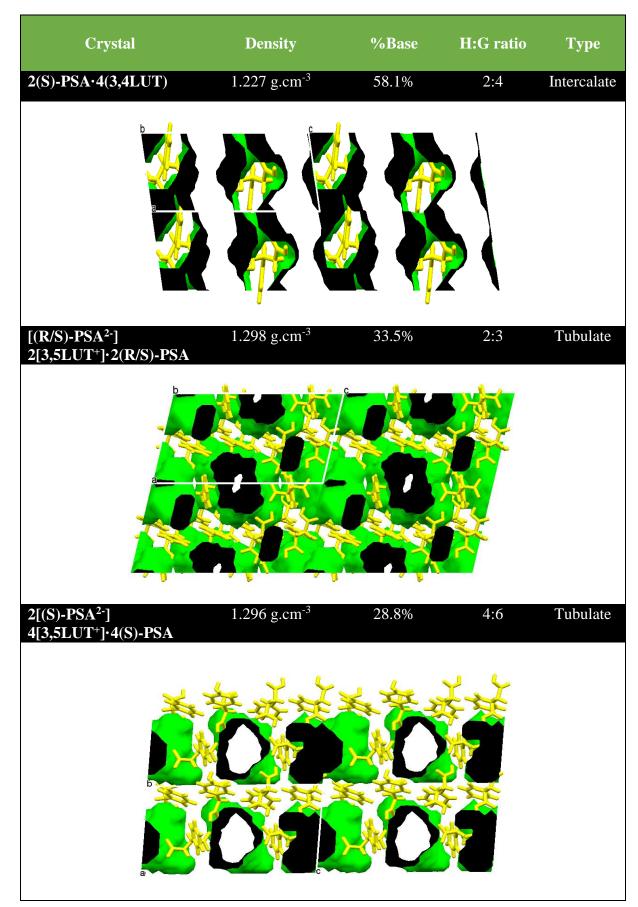


Table S 14 Densities, voids, solvent percentages for PSA MCCs (cont.)

Table S 15 Densities, voids, solvent percentages for PSA MCCs (cont.)



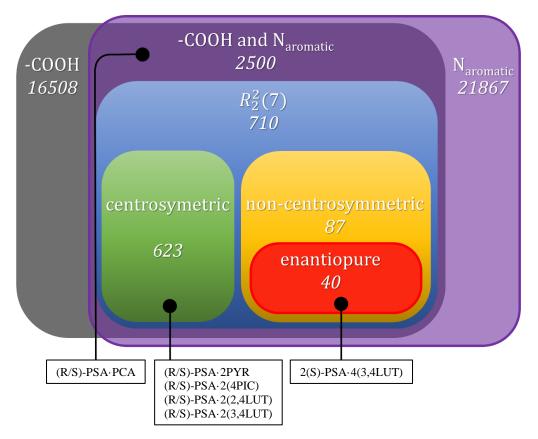


Figure S 3 Occurrence of carboxylic acid and pyridine moieties, and their combination in the CSD

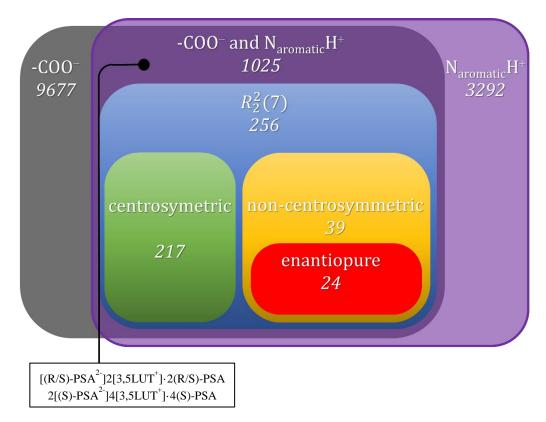


Figure S 4 Occurrence of carboxylate and pyridinium moieties, and their combination in the CSD

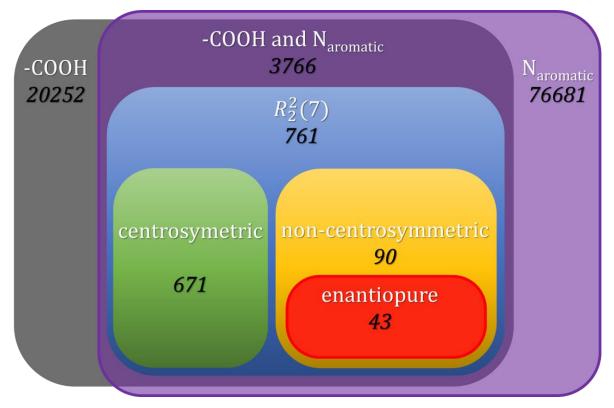


Figure S 5 Occurrence of carboxylic acid and pyridine moieties, and their combination in the CSD (Organic & Inorganic)

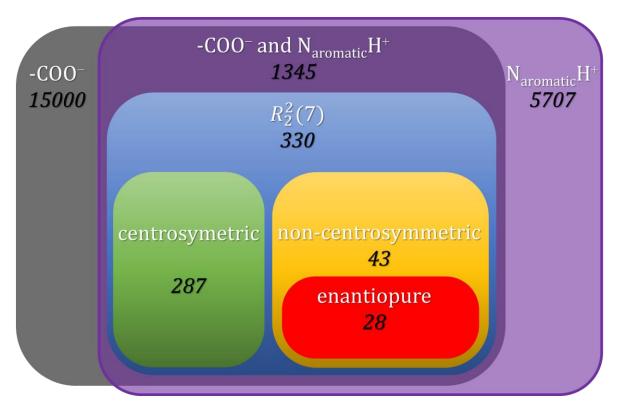


Figure S 6 Occurrence of carboxylate and pyridinium moieties, and their combination in the CSD (Organic & Inorganic)

# Results of bulk property analysis (DSC, TGA, PXRD and FTIR) for all MCCs of PSA

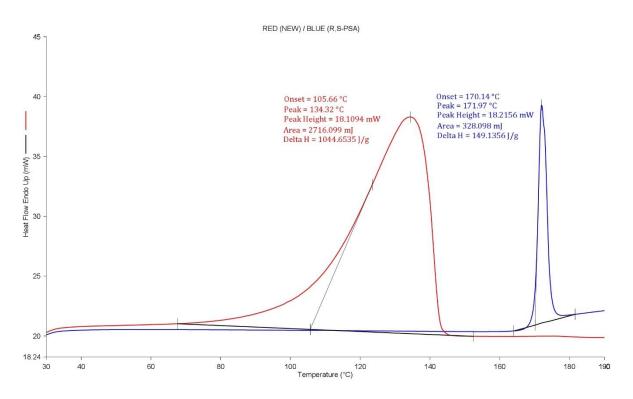


Figure S7 DSC curve of [2tBa<sup>+</sup>][COO<sup>2-</sup>] and the starting material

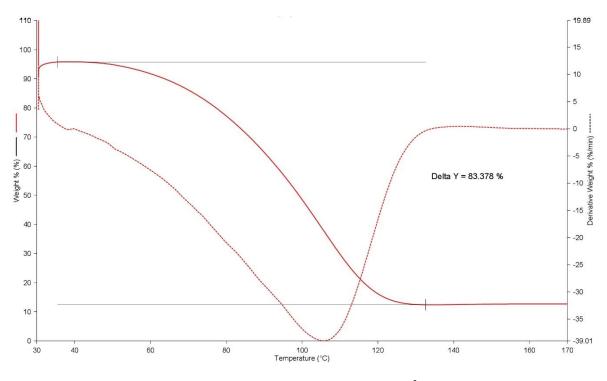


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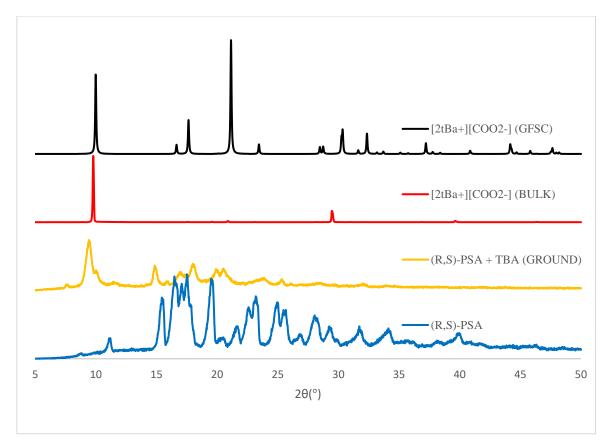


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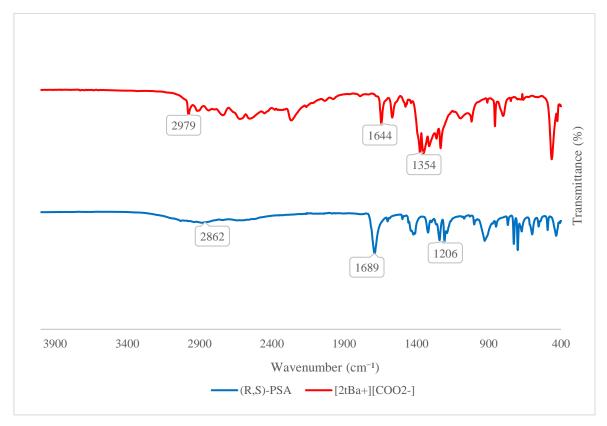


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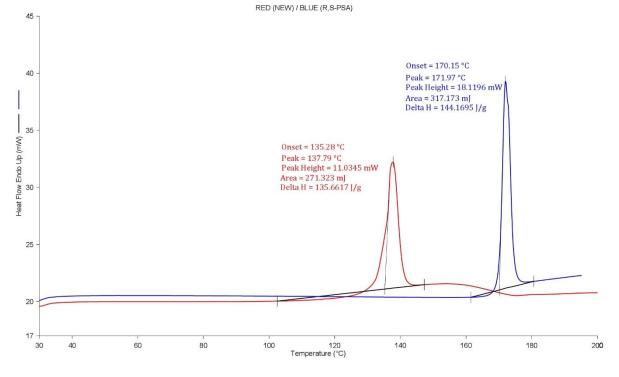
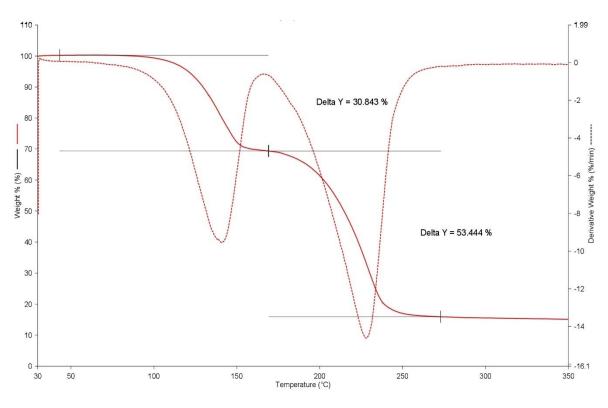
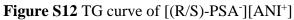


Figure S11 DSC curve of [(R/S)-PSA<sup>-</sup>][ANI<sup>+</sup>] and the starting material





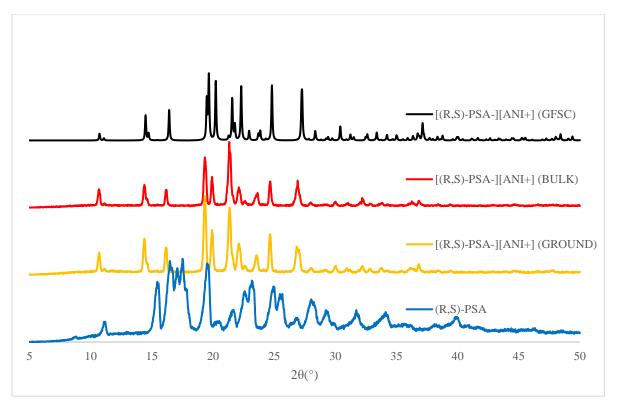


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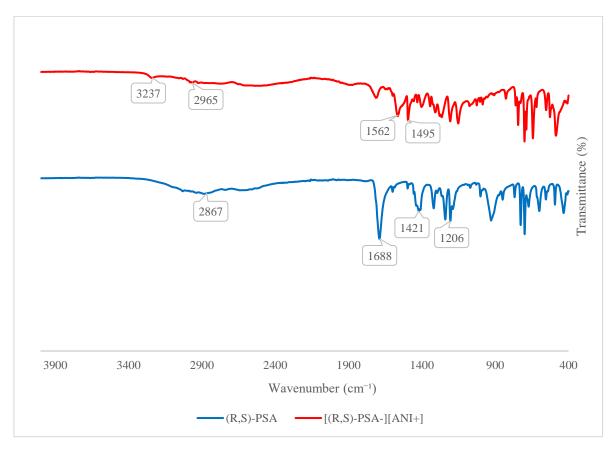


Figure S14 IR curve of [(R/S)-PSA<sup>-</sup>][ANI<sup>+</sup>] and the starting material

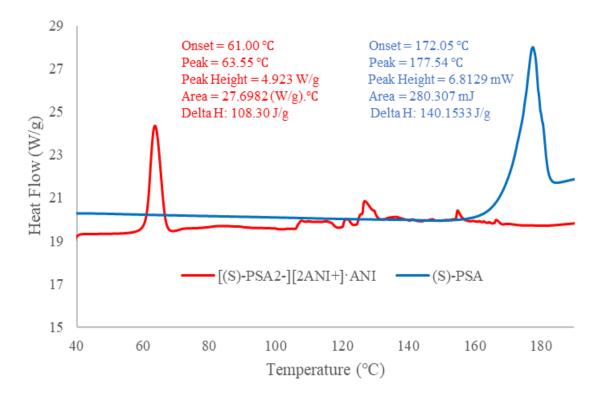


Figure S15 DSC curve of [(S)-PSA<sup>2-</sup>] [2ANI<sup>+</sup>]·ANI and the starting material

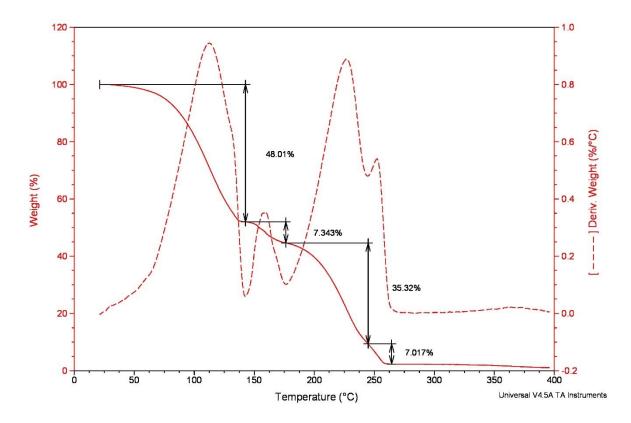


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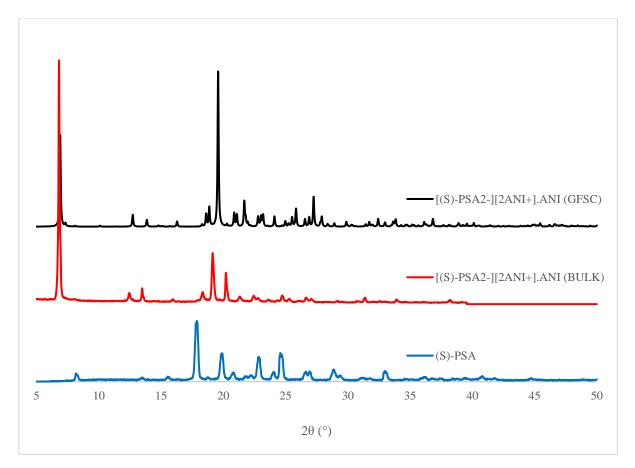


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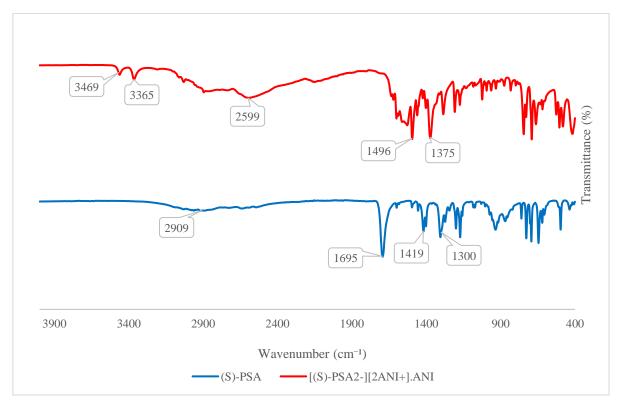


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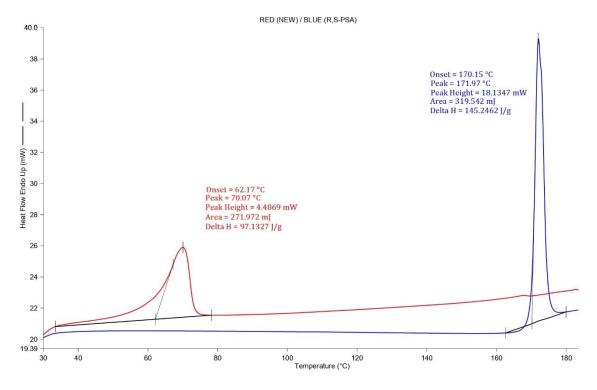


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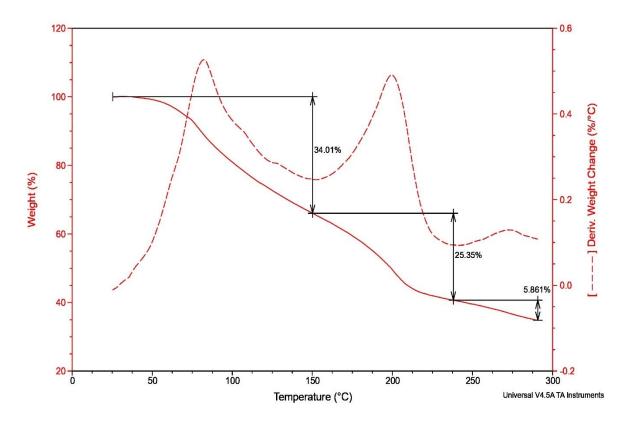


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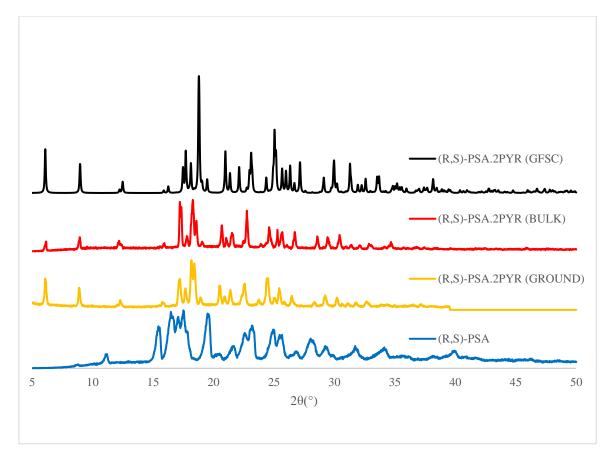


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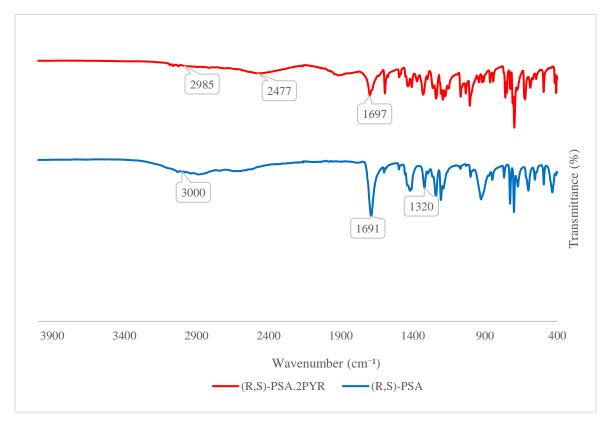


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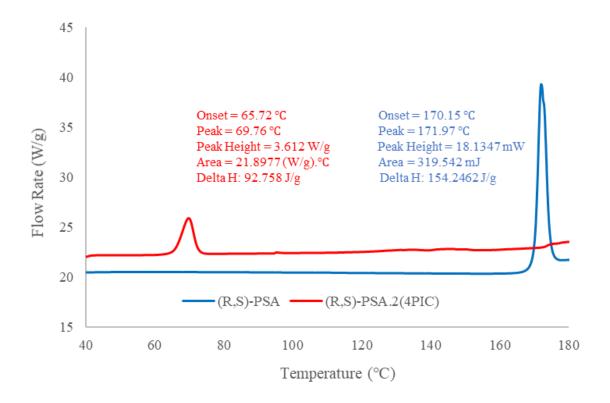


Figure S23 DSC curve of (R/S)-PSA·2(4PIC) and the starting material

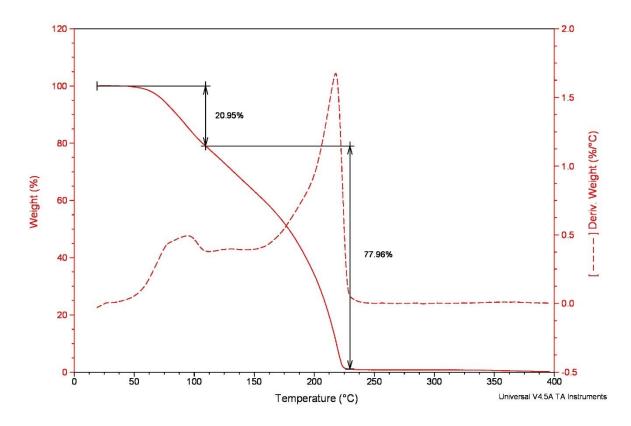


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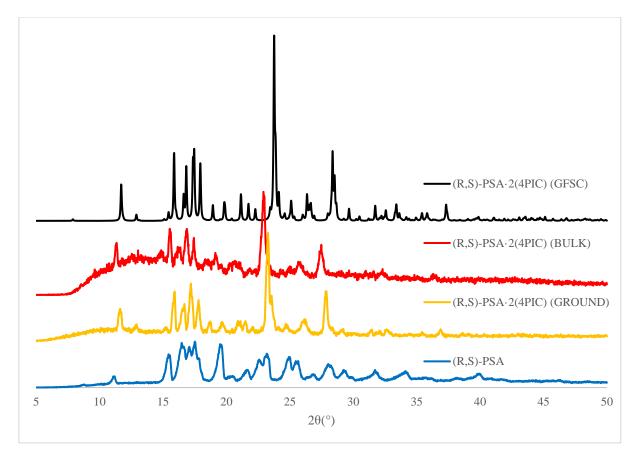


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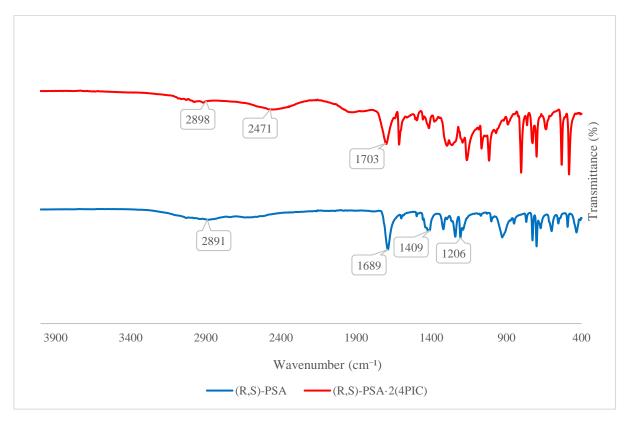


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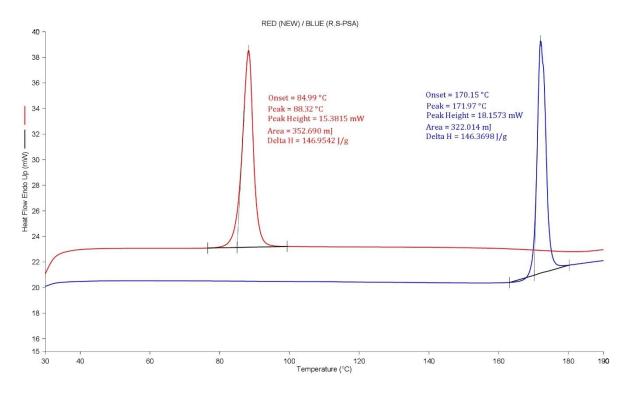


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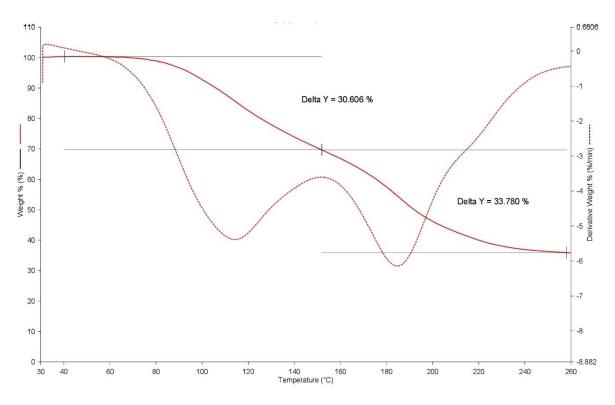


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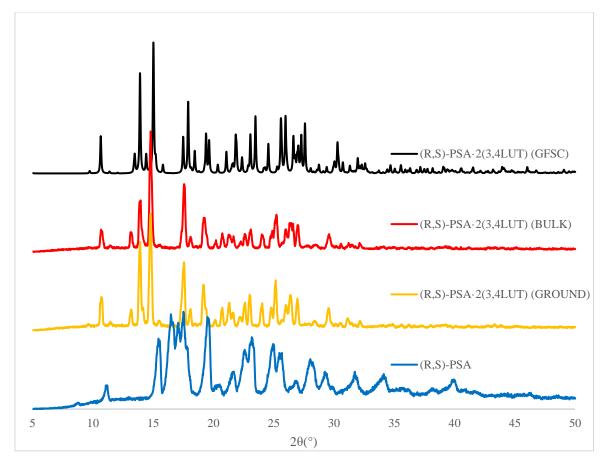


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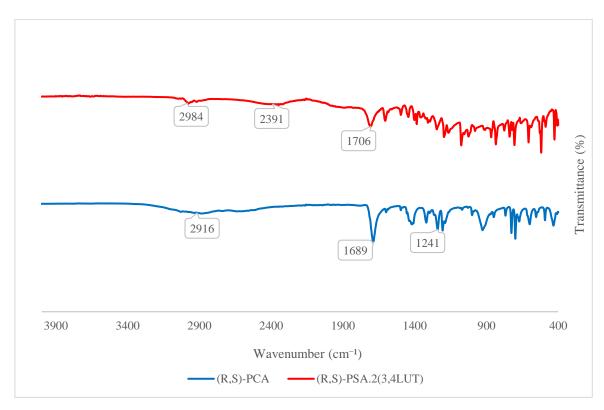


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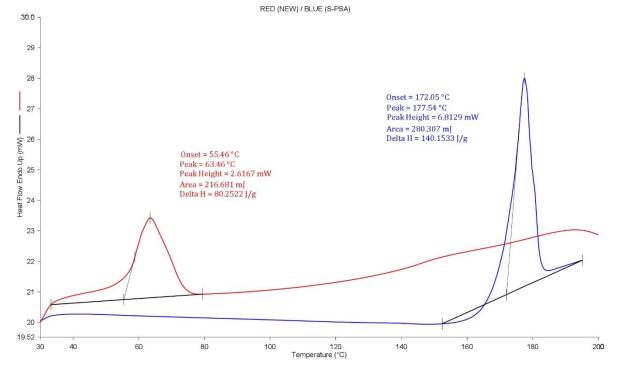


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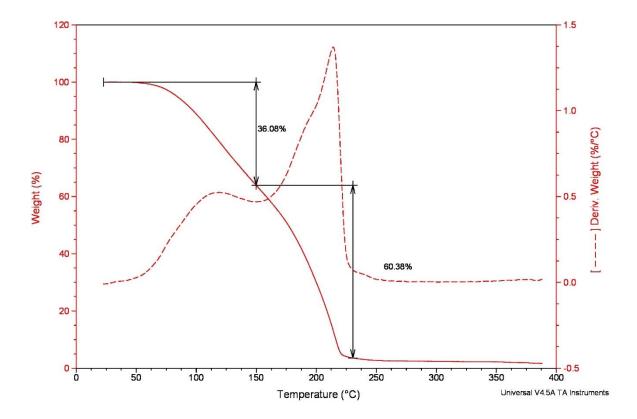


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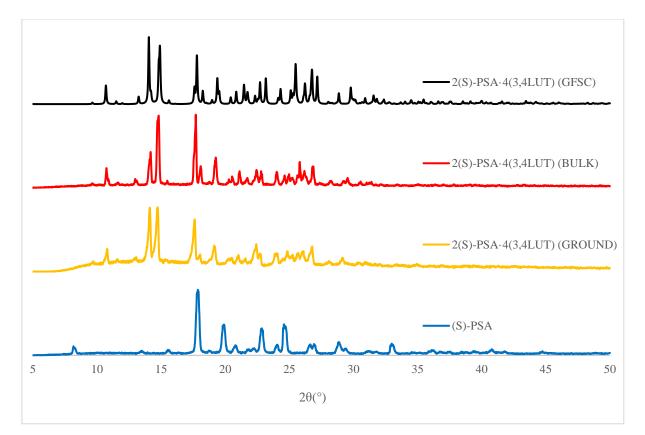


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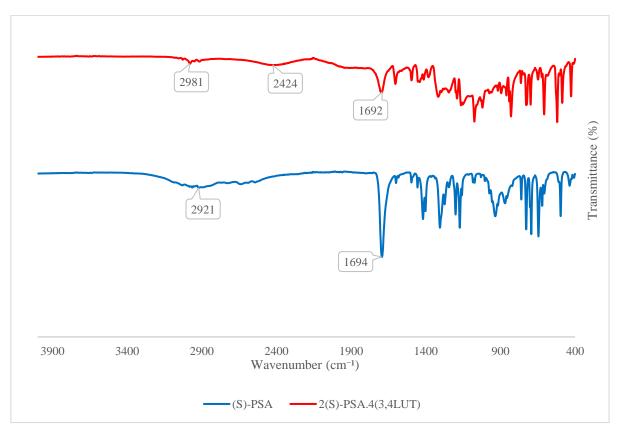


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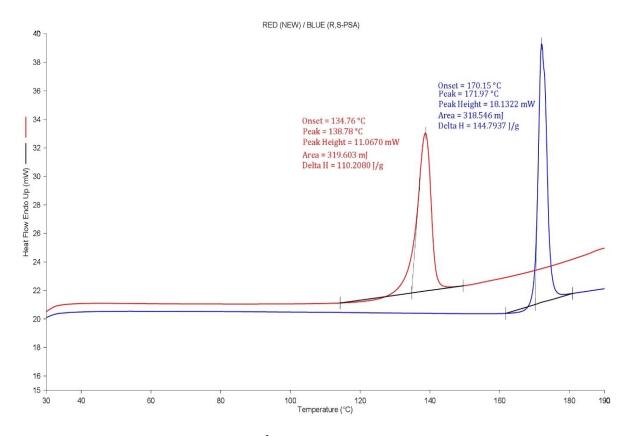


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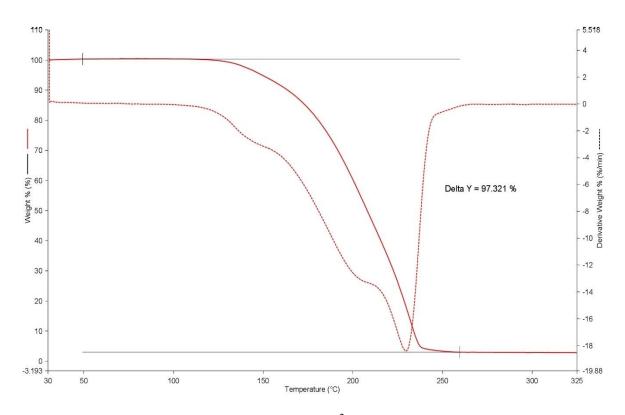


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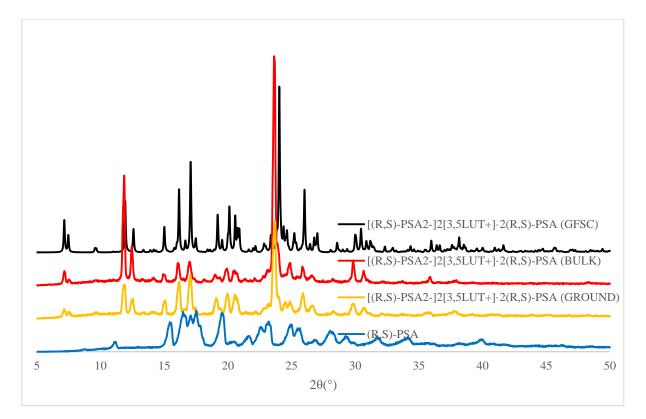


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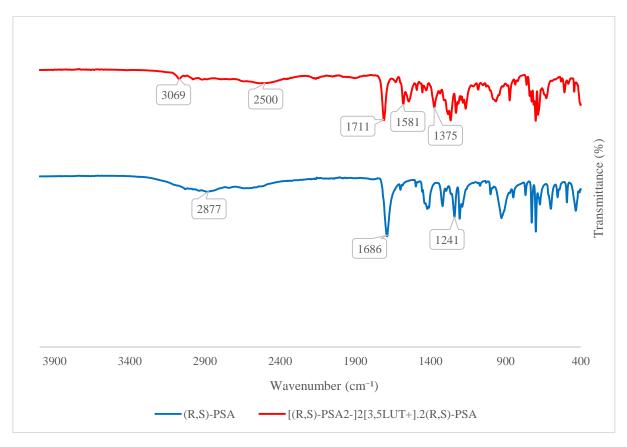


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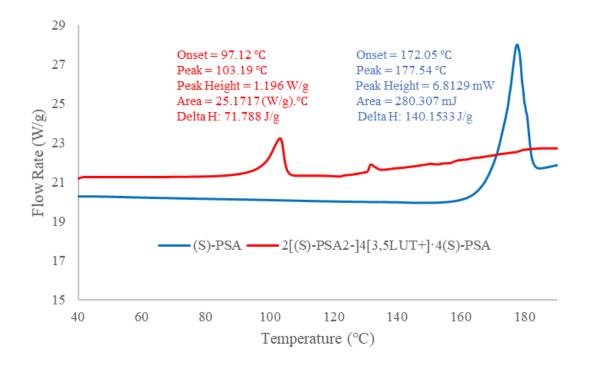


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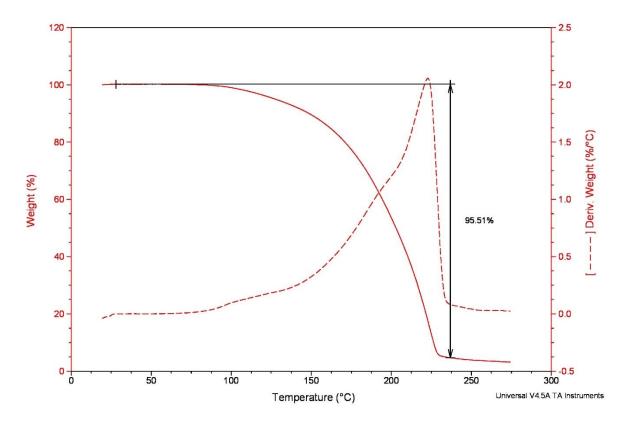


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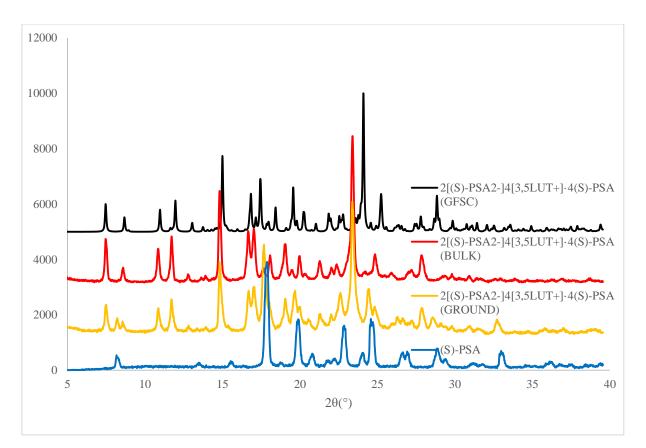


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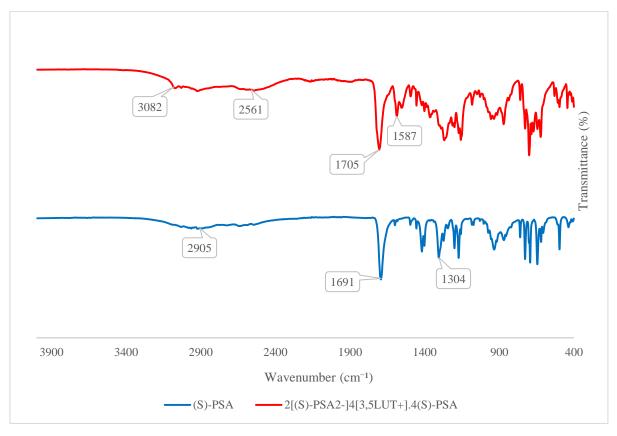


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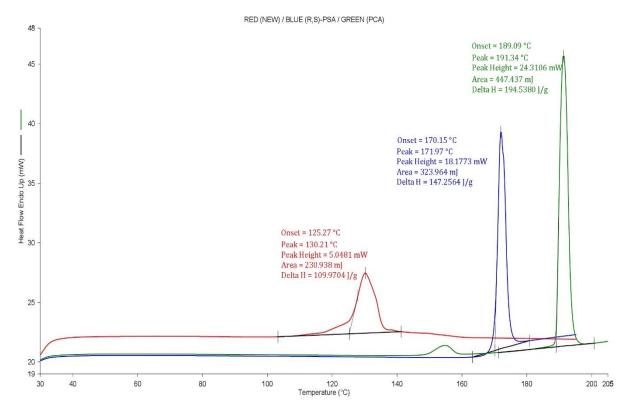


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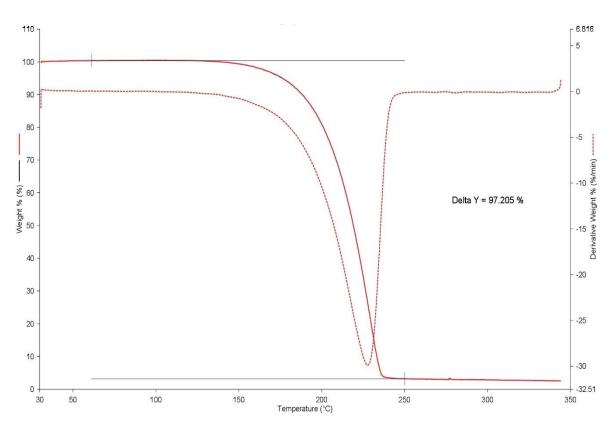


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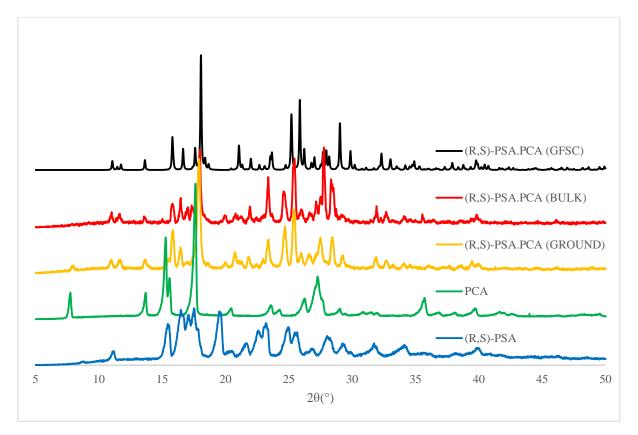


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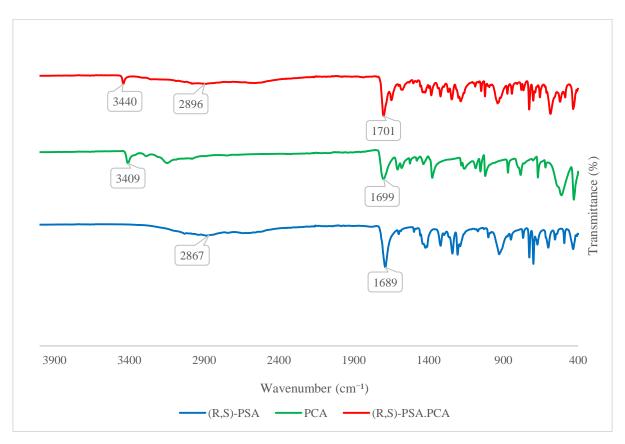


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