

Supplementary Information

Amino acids as Latent Curing Agents and their Application in Fully Bio-based Epoxy Resins

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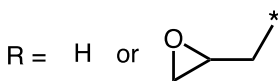


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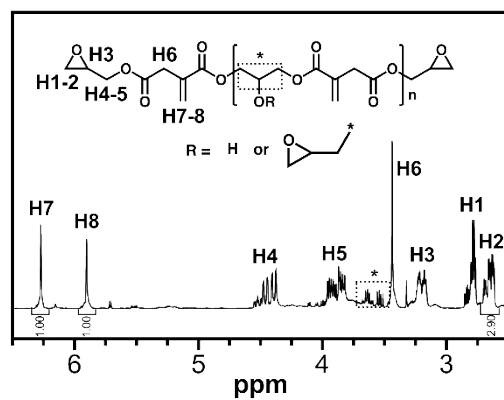


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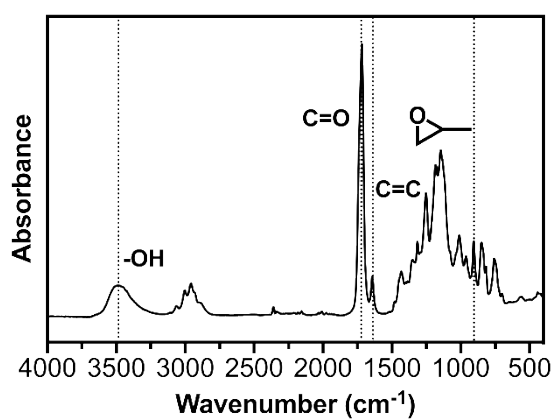


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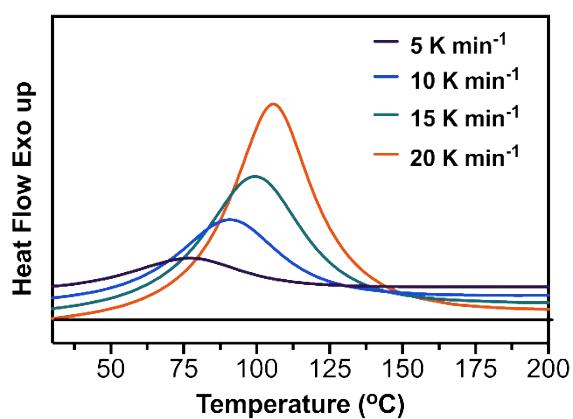


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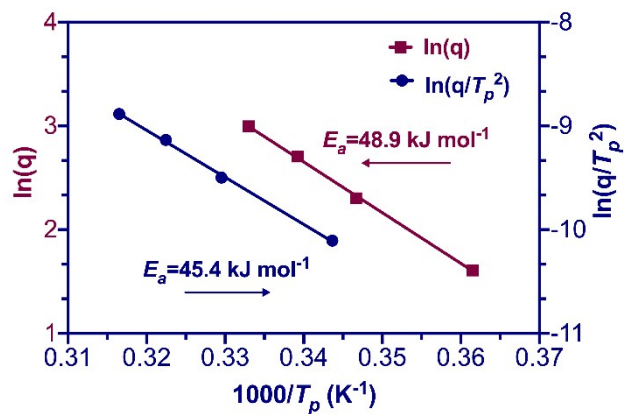


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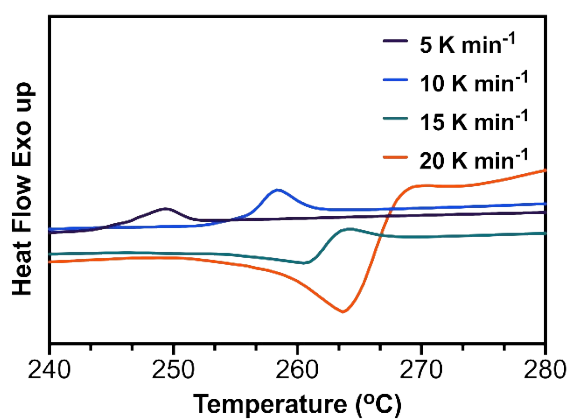


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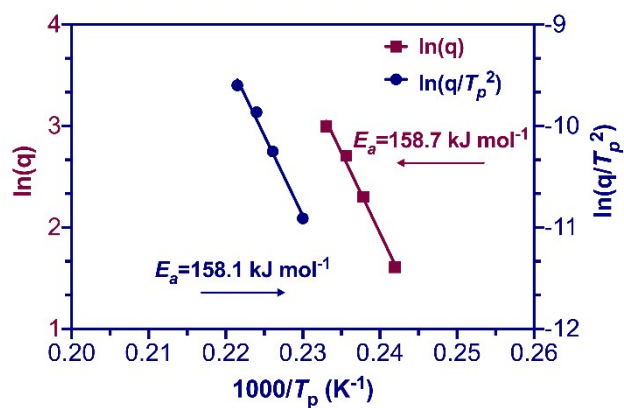


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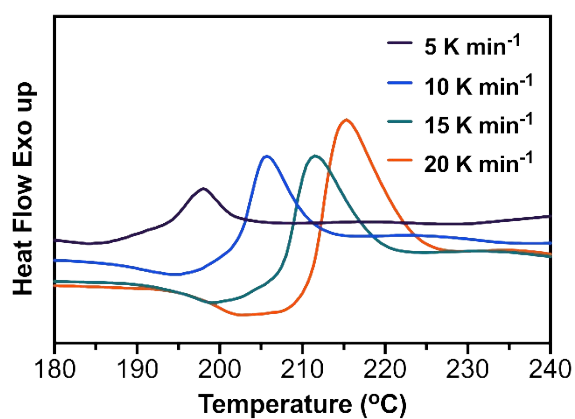


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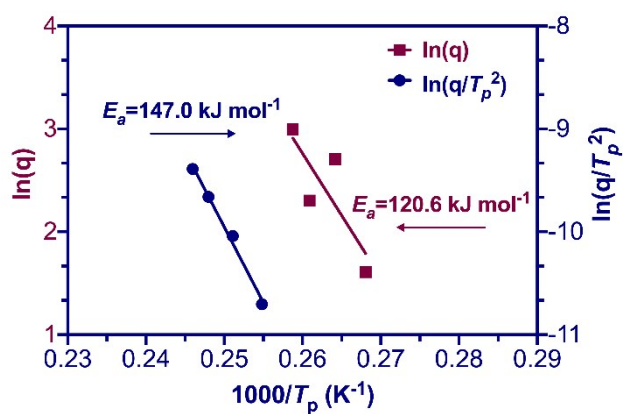


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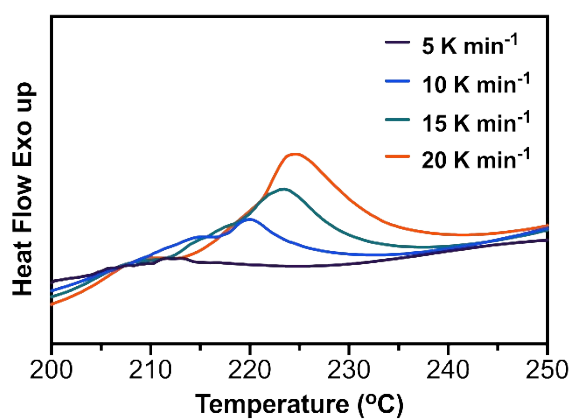


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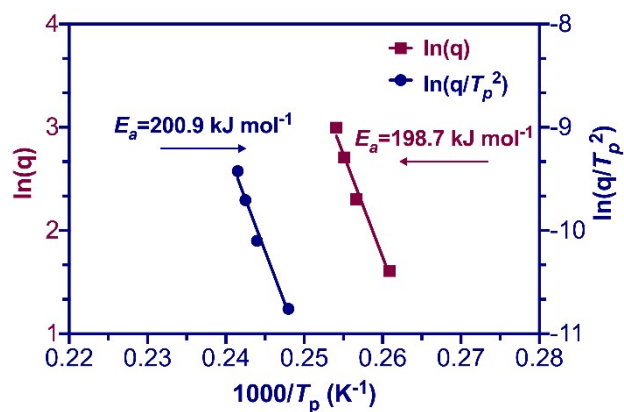


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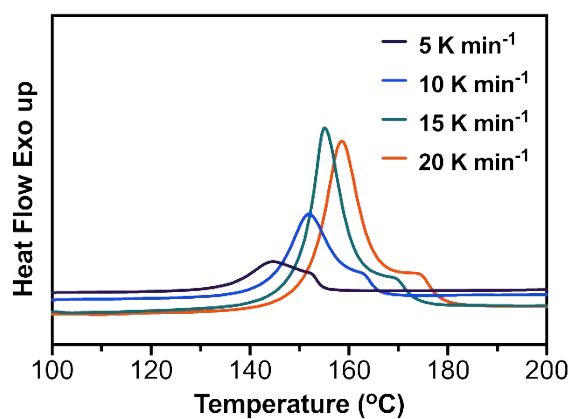


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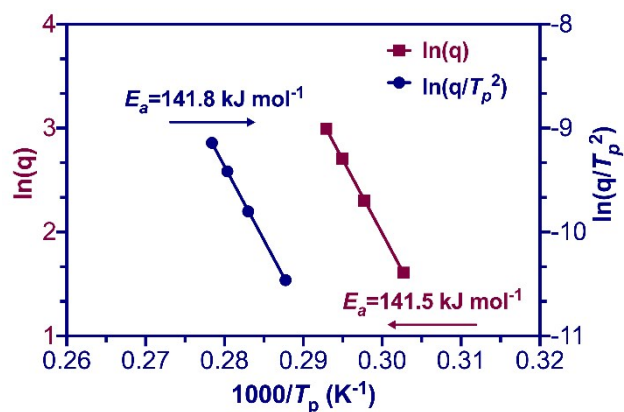


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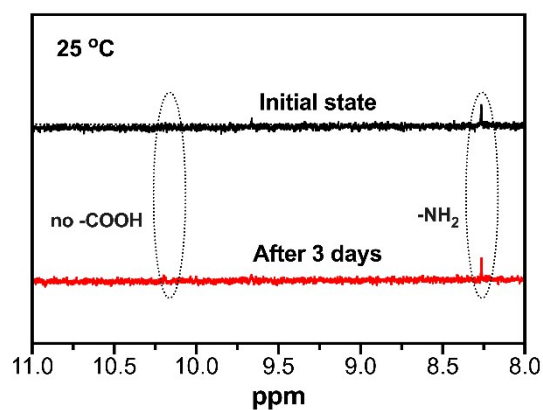


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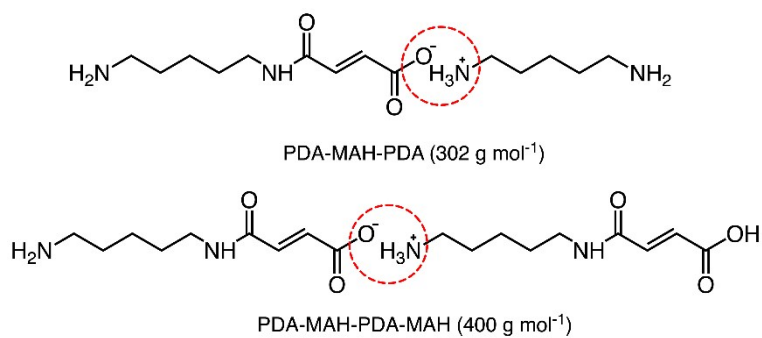


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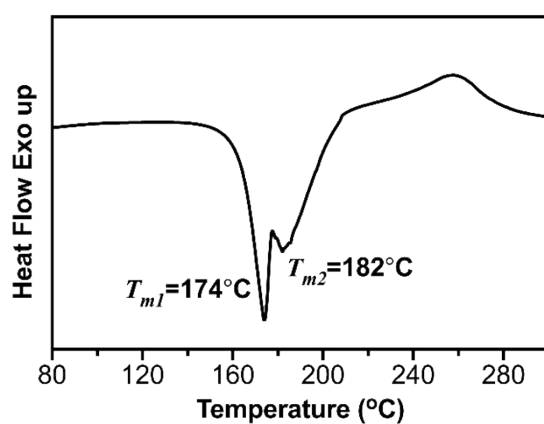


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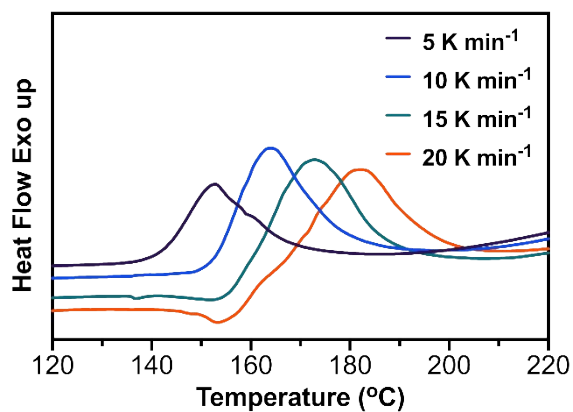


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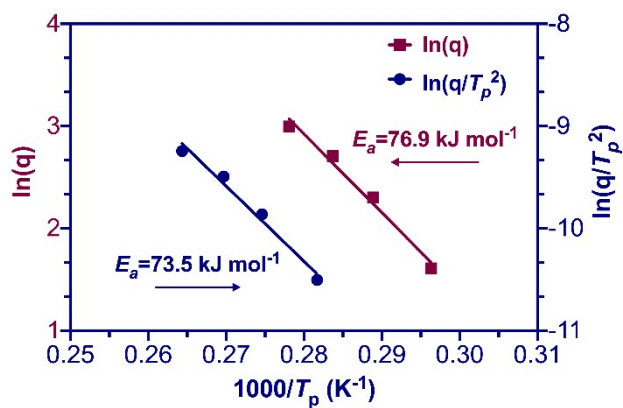


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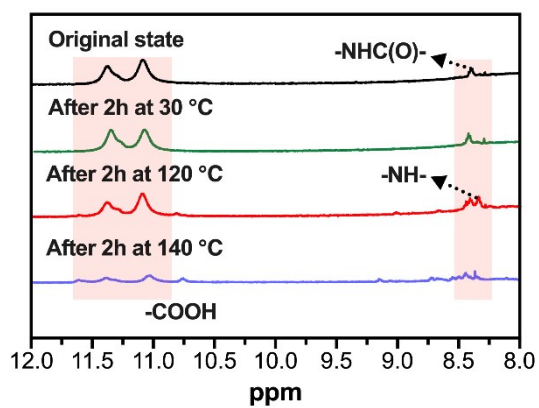


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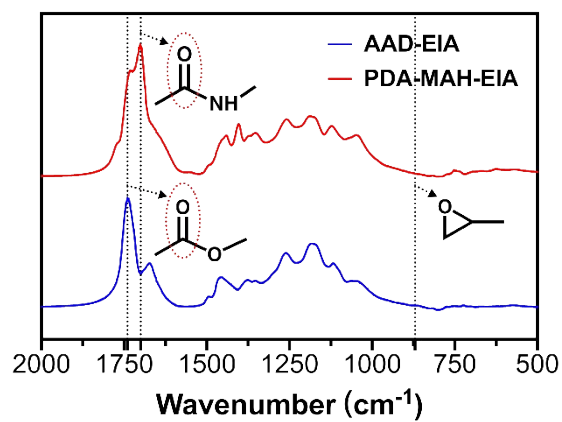


Fig. S20 FTIR spectra of PDA-MAH-EIA and AAD-EIA at room temperature.

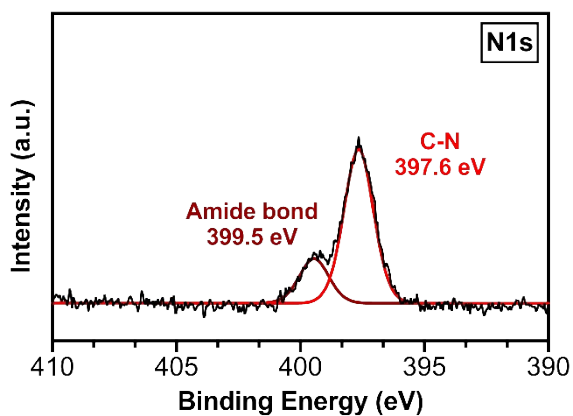


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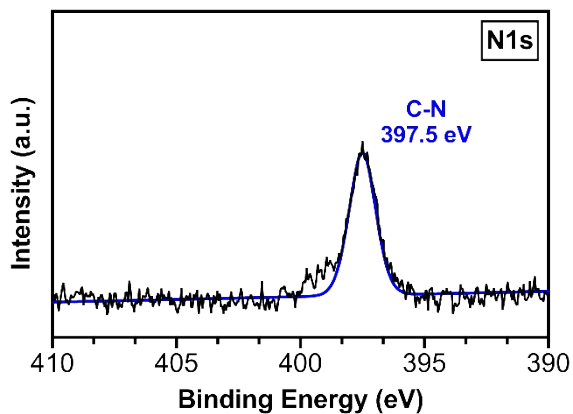


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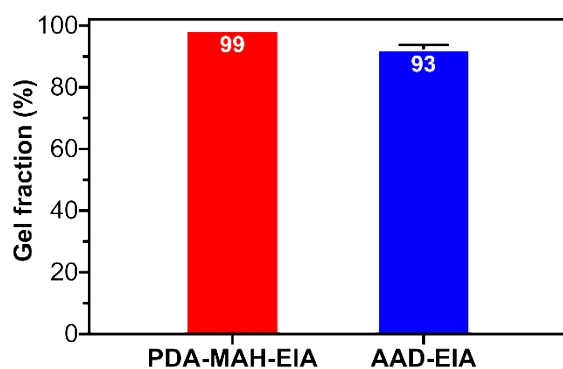


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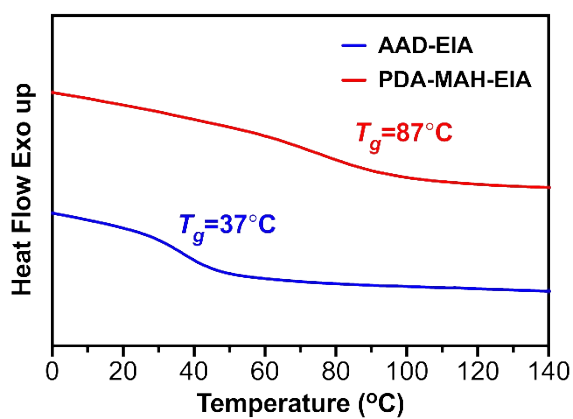


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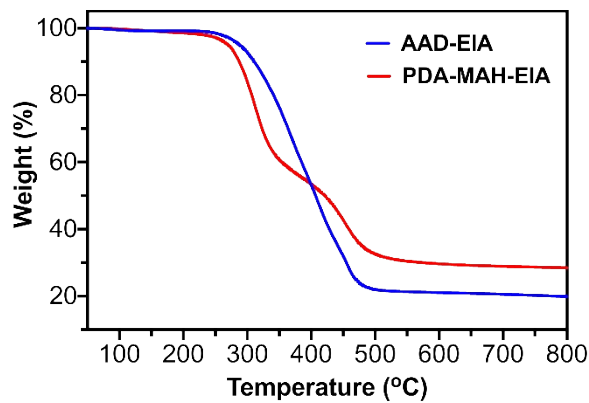


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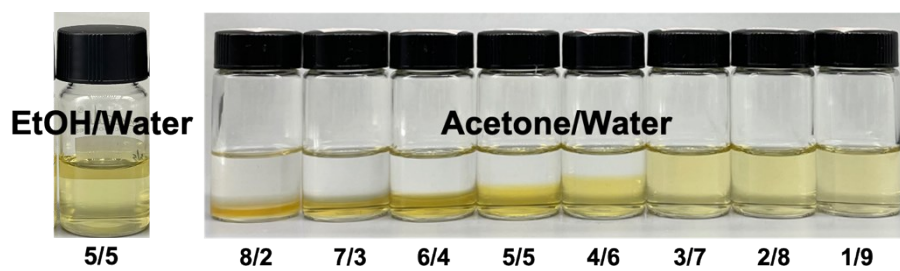


Fig. S26 Digital Photos of PDA-MAH-EIA after degradation.

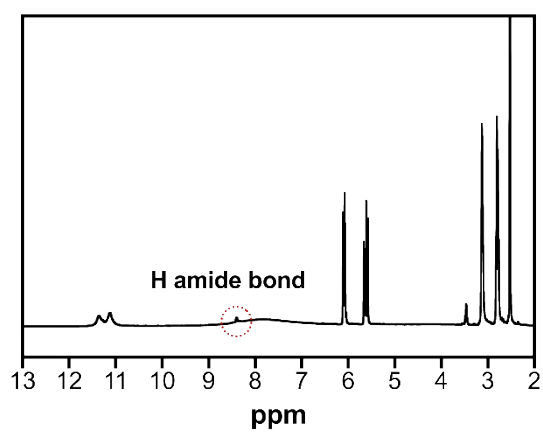


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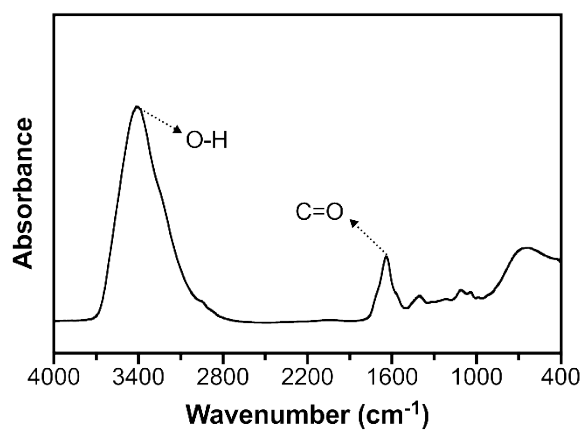


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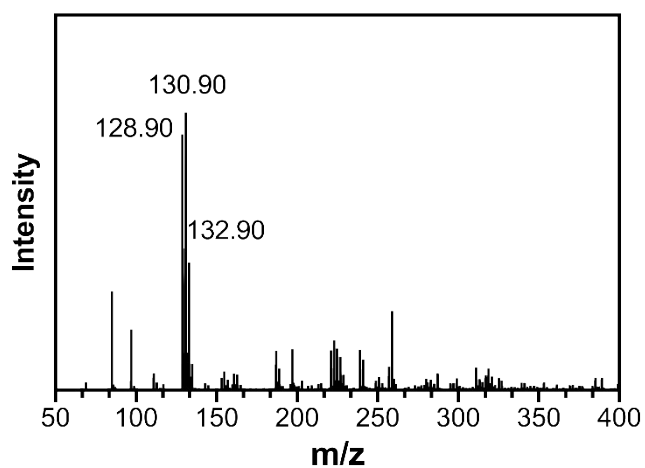


Fig. S29 TOF-MS spectrum of degradation products of PDA-MAH-EIA.

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DER331/curing agents	$E_a (\ln q)$	$E_a (\ln(q/T_p^2))$	5 °C/min		10 °C/min		15 °C/min		20 °C/min	
	kJ/mol	kJ/mol	T_o	T_p	T_o	T_p	T_o	T_p	T_o	T_p
DER331/PDA	48.9	45.4	49	77	59	92	66	100	73	107
DER331/Gly	158.7	158.1	237	250	253	259	263	264	267	270
DER331/Glu	120.6	147.0	194	199	203	206	209	212	212	216
DER331/Lys	198.7	200.9	185	212	193	220	197	223	200	225
DER331/AAD	141.5	141.8	135	145	142	152	147	156	150	159
DER331/PDA-MAH	76.9	73.5	142	154	153	165	161	173	168	182