

Supporting Information

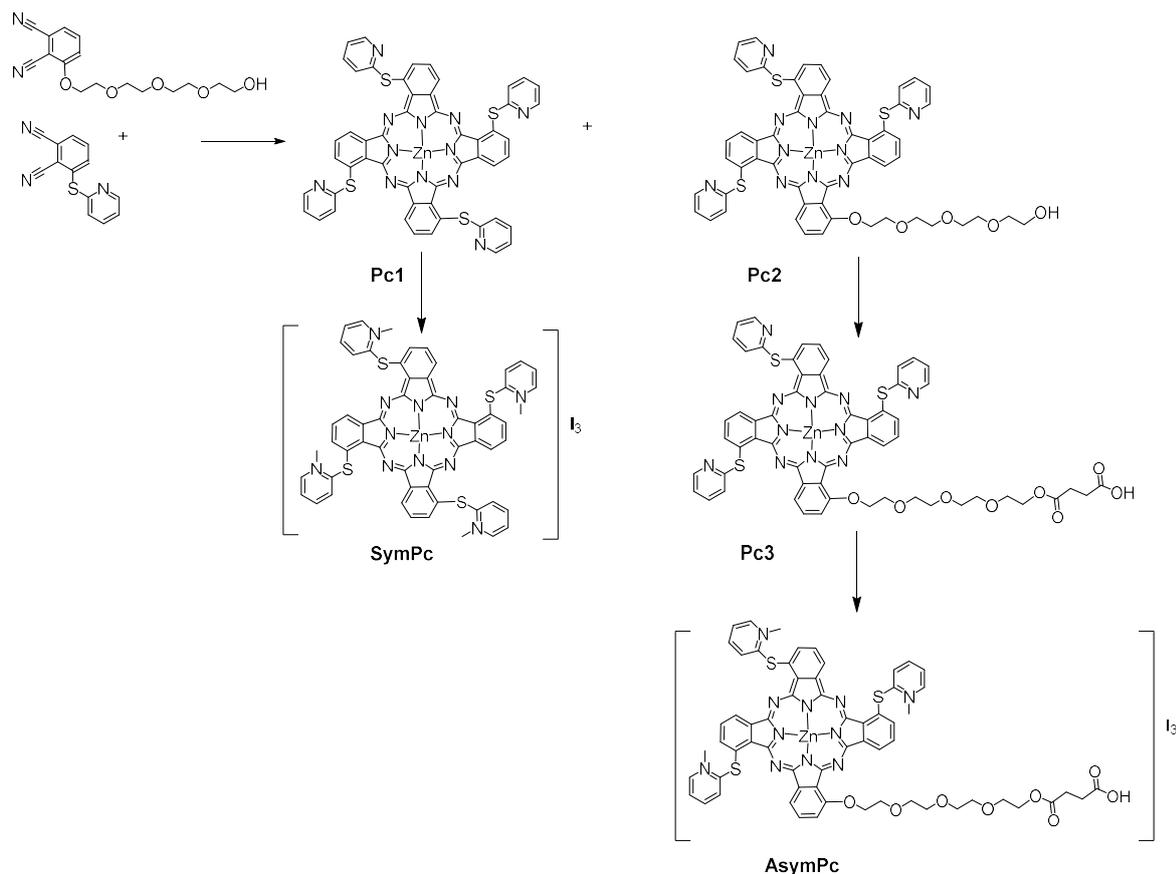
Regulation of photo triggered cytotoxicity in electrospun nanomaterials: role of photosensitizer binding mode and polymer identity

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1. Synthesis



Scheme S1. Synthetic pathway towards SymPc and AsymPc.

Pc1 and **Pc2** were synthesized as described previously.¹

1.1 Synthesis of SymPc

Pc1 (53.5 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.00 eq.) was dissolved in DMF (ca 1 mL) and MeI was added in excess. The reaction was stirred at 50°C overnight (18h). DCM (200 mL) was added and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The green solid was collected. Molecular Formula: C₅₆H₄₀N₁₂S₄Zn Yield: 57.6 mg, 0.05 mmol, 100% FT-MS (CH₃CN/H₂O):[M]⁴⁺: calc.: m/z = 268.04128, found: m/z = 268.04120; [M+I]³⁺: calc.: m/z = 399.69005, found: m/z = 399.69008; [M+2I]²⁺: calc.: m/z = 662.98758, found: m/z = 662.98808. ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz, 300 K): 9.42-7.60 (m, 28 H, H-aromatic), 5.03-4.33 (m, 12 H).

1.2 Synthesis of Pc3

Pc2 (57.5 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.00 eq.) and succinic anhydride (8.3 mg, 0.08 mmol, 1.60 eq.) were dissolved in DMF (10 mL) and heated to 50 °C. Molecular Formula: C₅₉H₄₅N₁₁O₈S₃Zn 30 Yield: 60.0 mg, 0.05 mmol, 100% MALDI-TOF-MS (DCTB-CHCl₃):[M]: calc.: m/z = 1096.19 , found: m/z = 1196.06.

1.3 Synthesis of AsymPc

Pc3 (57.1 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.00 eq.) was dissolved in DMF (as little as possible) and MeI was added in excess. The reaction was stirred at 50 °C over night (18h). DCM (200 mL) was added and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The green solid was collected. Molecular Formula: C₆₂H₅₄N₁₁O₈S₃Zn Yield: 57.6 mg, 0.05 mmol, 100% FT-MS (CH₃CN/H₂O):

¹Galstyan, A.; Riehemann, K.; Schäfers, M.; Faust, A.; Schäfers, M.; Faust, A. A Combined Experimental and Computational Study of the Substituent Effect on the Photodynamic Efficacy of Amphiphilic Zn(II)Phthalocyanines. *J. Mater. Chem. B* **2016**, *4* (4), 5683–5691..

$[M+I]^{3+}$: calc.: $m/z = 380.08112$, found: $m/z = 380.08110$; $[M+2I]^{2+}$: calc.: $m/z = 633.57418$, found: $m/z = 633.57456$; $[M+3I]^+$: calc.: $m/z = 1394.05339$, found: $m/z = 1394.05440$. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz, 300 K): δ (ppm) = 9.57-6.96 (m, 24 H, H-aromatic), 5.29-3.34 (m, 32 H, H-aliphatic).

2. Photophysical characterization

2.1 Absorption spectra

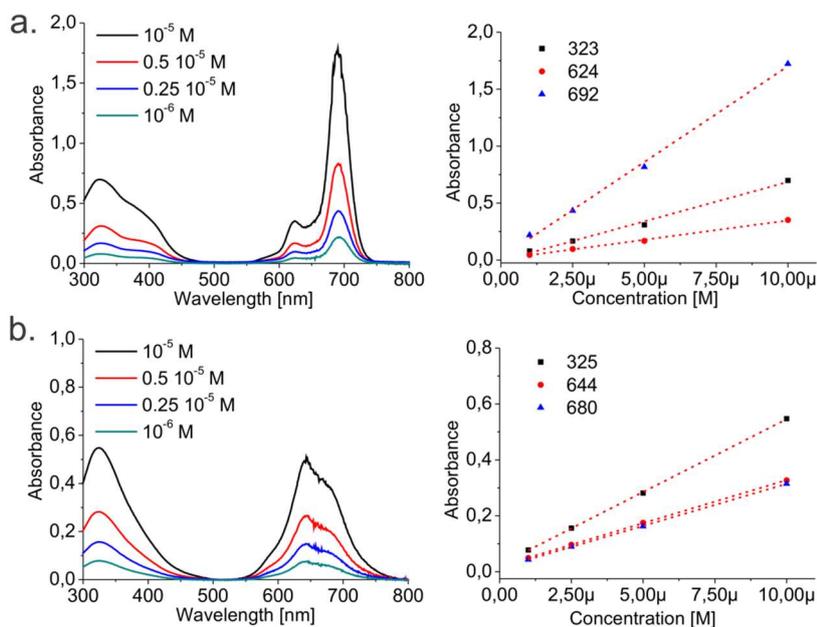


Figure S1. UV-Vis absorption spectra of different SymPc concentrations (a) in DMF and (b) in H₂O and corresponding linear fits of absorption maxima.

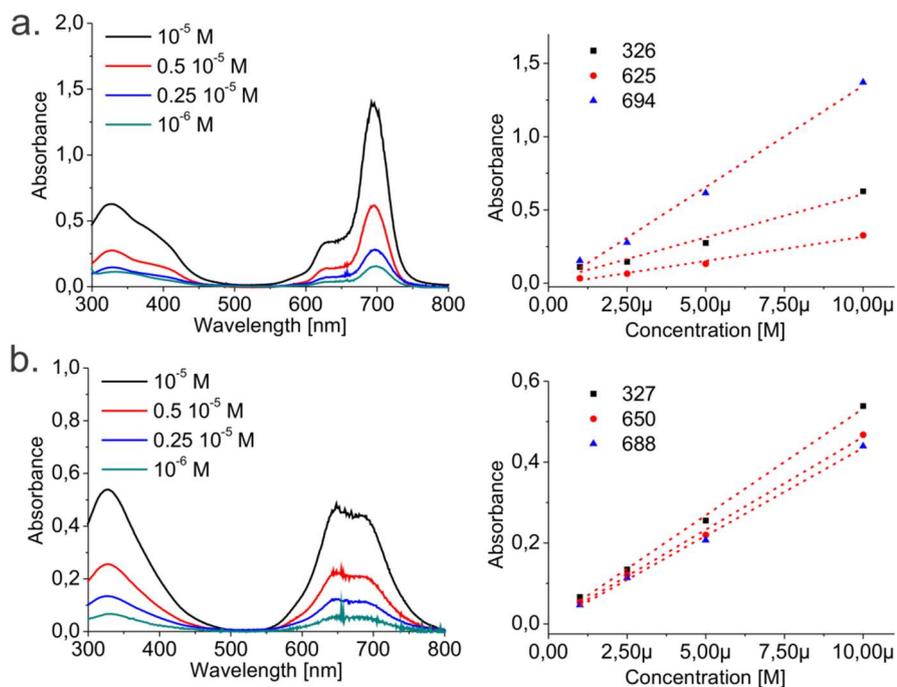


Figure S2. UV-Vis absorption spectra of different AsymPc concentrations (a) in DMF and (b) in H₂O and corresponding linear fits of absorption maxima.

2.2 Singlet oxygen quantum yields

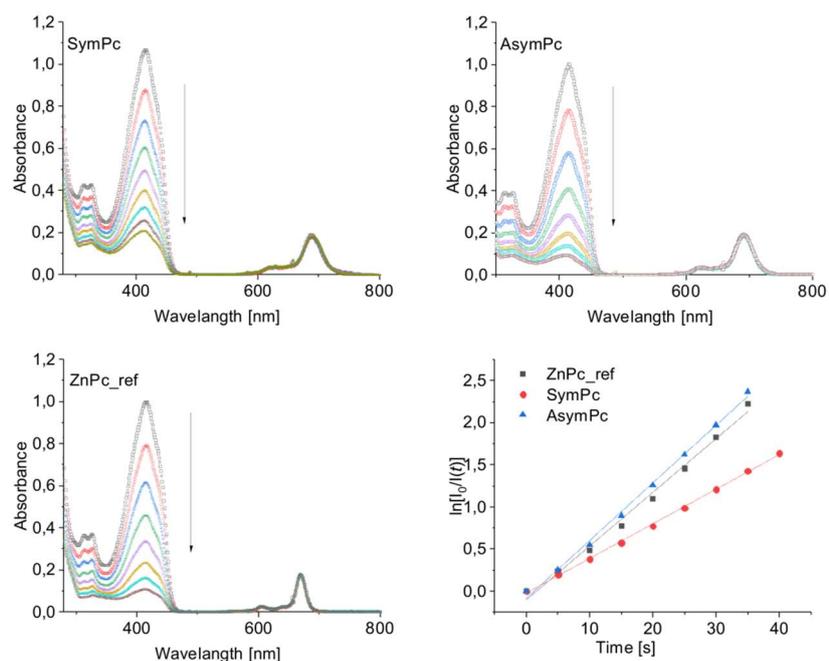


Figure S3. Time-dependent decomposition of DPBF photosensitized by SymPc, AsymPc and unsubstituted ZnPc as reference in DMF upon irradiation with light from projector lamp filtered through a cut-off filter for $\lambda > 610$ nm and corresponding first-order plots.

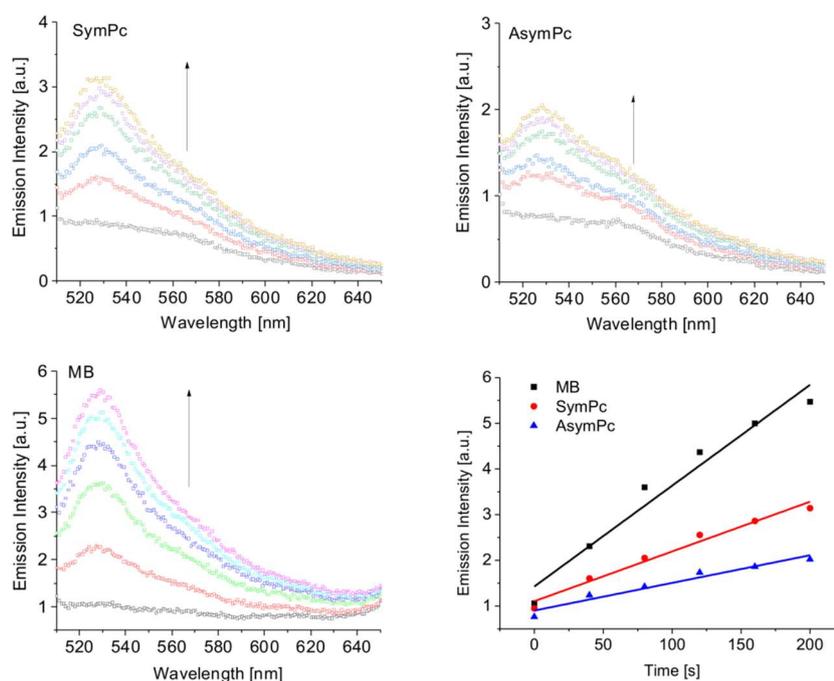


Figure S4. Changes in the emission spectra of DCFDA photosensitized by SymPc, AsymPc and unsubstituted ZnPc as reference in H₂O upon irradiation with light from projector lamp filtered through a cut-off filter for $\lambda > 610$ nm and corresponding first-order plots.

2.3 Evaluation of photosensitizers concentration in nanofibers

UV-Vis spectroscopy was used to determine the PS loading. To obtain a constant area of approximately 113 cm², samples were randomly cut from the mat at different locations using a 12 cm diameter hole punch. The samples were washed with 70% ethanol solution (1 x 1 mL) and water (3 x 1 mL) to remove unbound PS and then heated at 100°C for 1 h in a 1 mL DMF-H₂O 1:1 mixture in case of PVA-based NFs and in DMF for PAN and PCL based NFs.

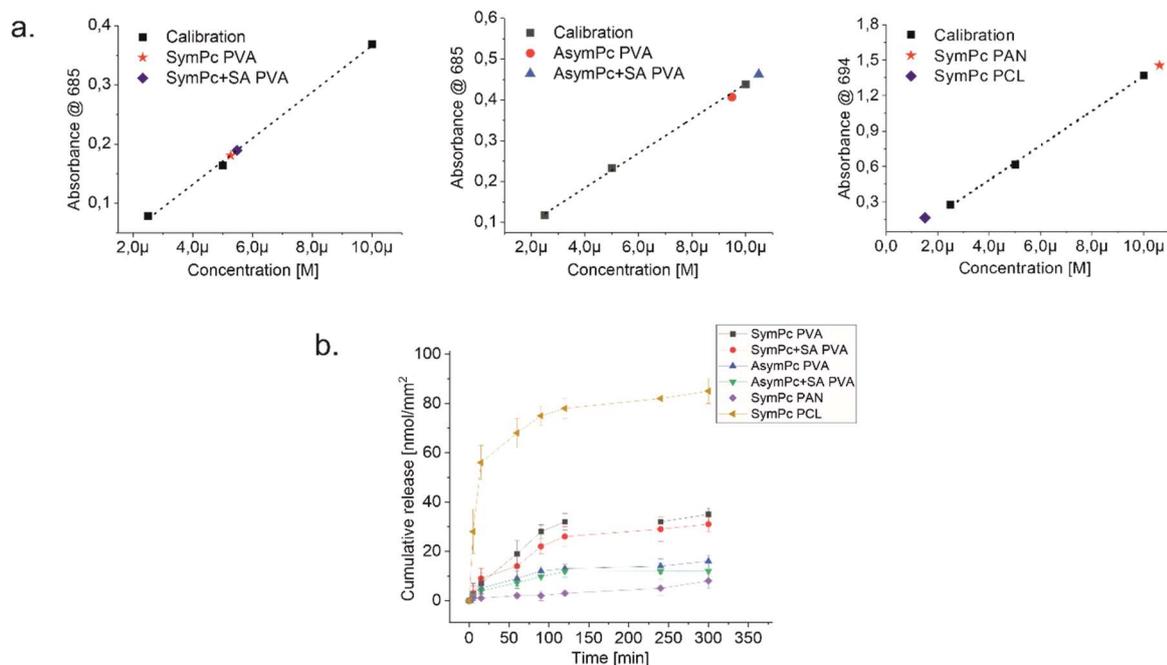


Figure S5. a) Calibration curves for spectrophotometric UV-vis determination of PS concentration and absorbances of PSs found NFs after washing with 70% EtOH and H₂O, b) Release of PS from NFs in H₂O.

2.4 Structural characterization of PVA, PAN and PCL nanofibers

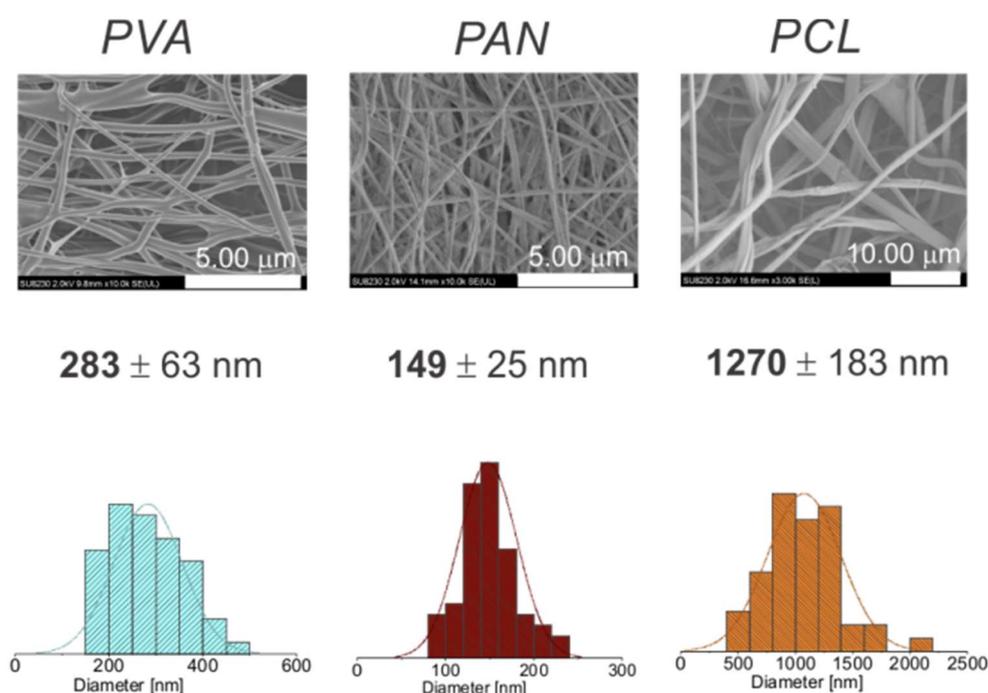


Figure S6. SEM images and fiber size distribution of PVA, PAN and PCL nanofibers.

3. Photobiological Studies

3.1 Viability of bacteria treated with SymPc and AsymPc

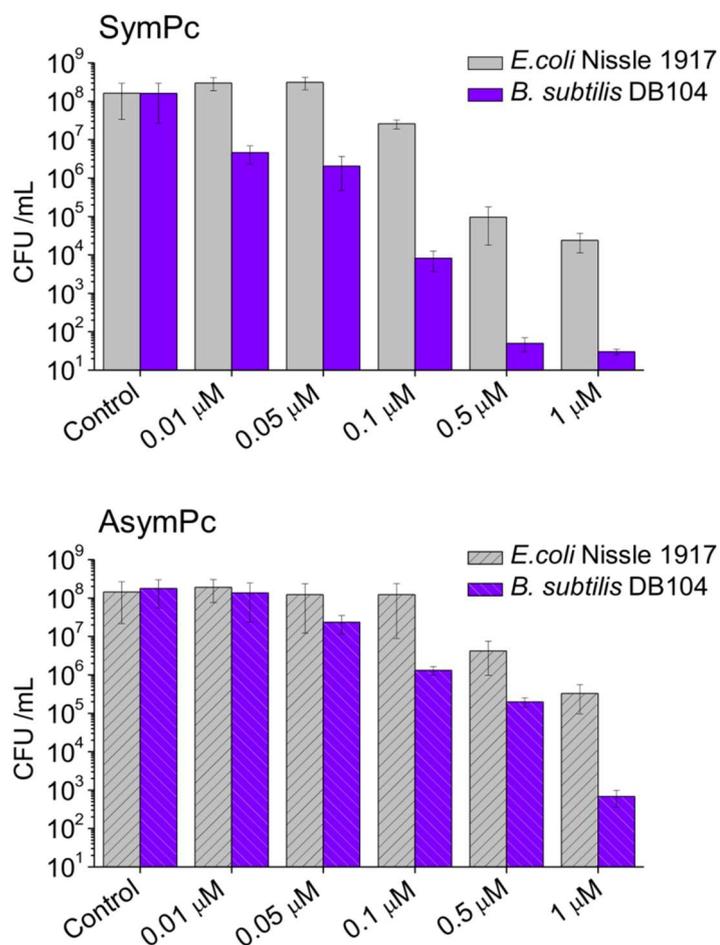


Figure S7. Viability of *B. subtilis* DB104 and *E. coli* Nissle 1917 treated with corresponding amount of SymPc or AsymPc for 15 min in dark and irradiation with total light dose of 9 J/cm².

3.2 Determination of the viability of bacteria adhered to nanofibers

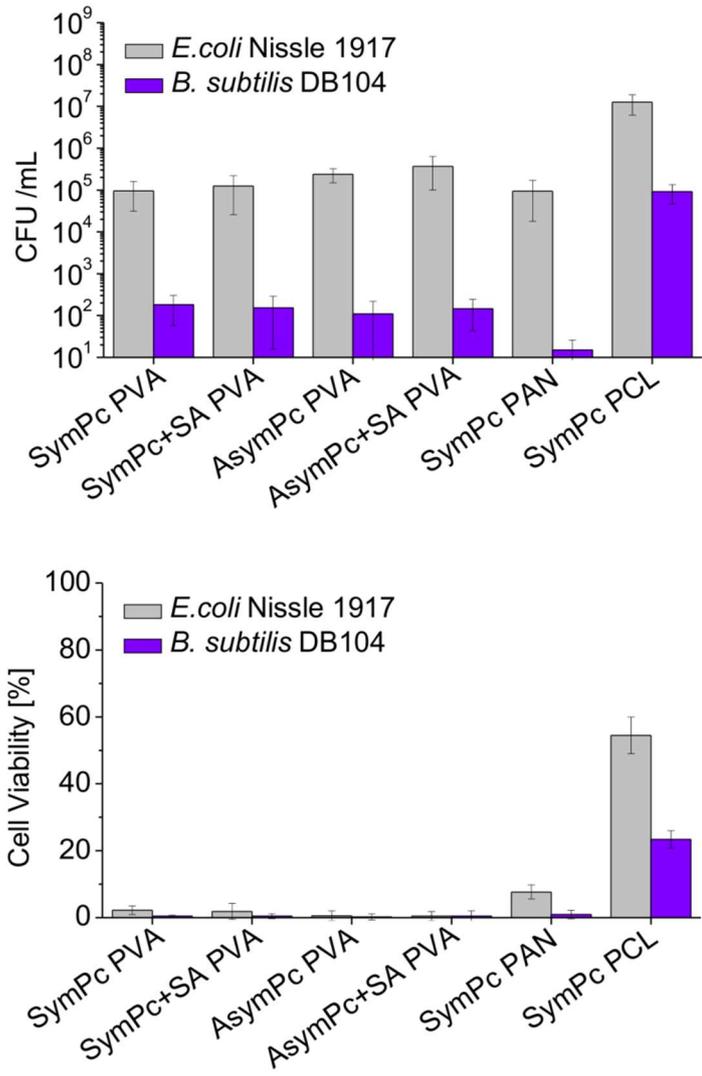


Figure S8. Viability of *B. subtilis* DB104 and *E. coli* Nissle 1917 attached to the NFs (incubation 1h in dark) determined using CFU counting and XTT assay.

3.3 Viability of bacteriophages treated with SymPc and AsymPc

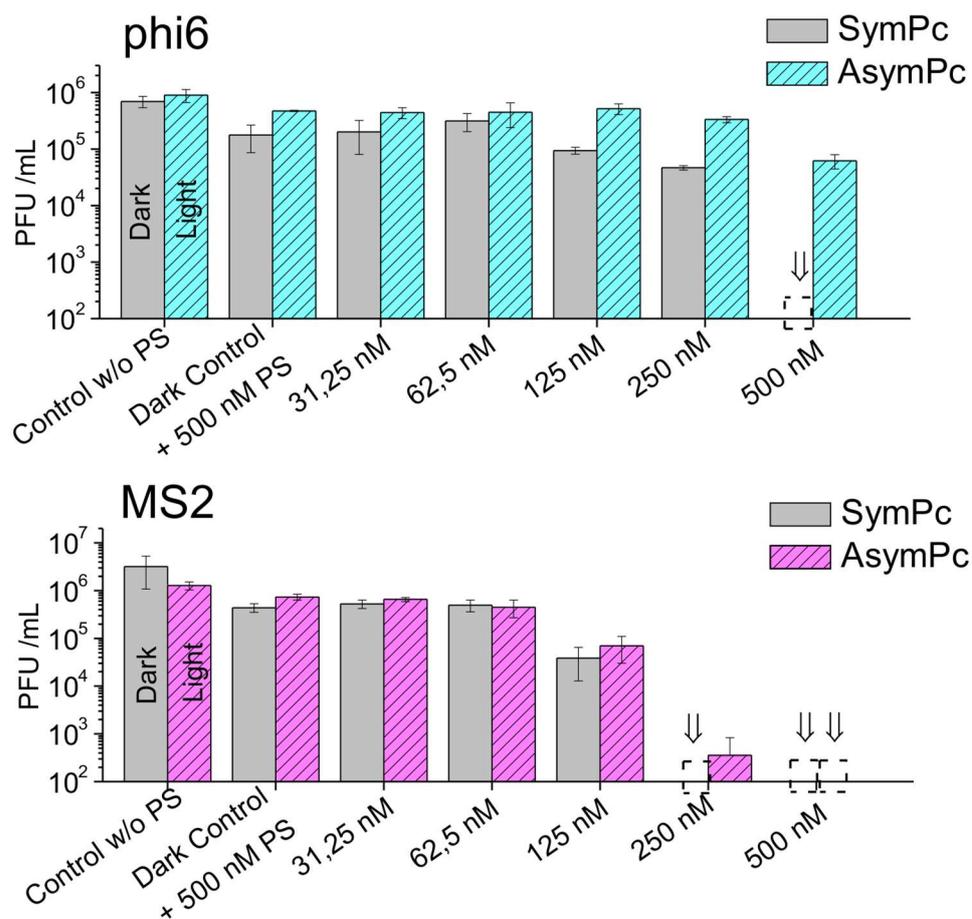


Figure S9. Viability of phi6 and MS2 treated with corresponding amount of SymPc or AsymPc for 15 min in dark and irradiation with total light dose of 6 J/cm².

4. FT-IR and Mass Spectra

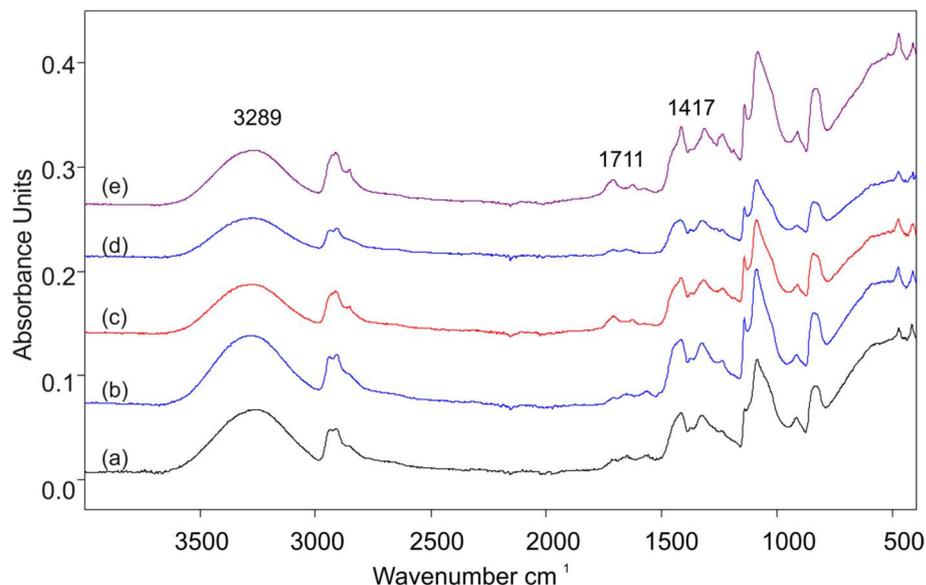


Figure S10. FT-IR spectra of PVA (a), SymPc PVA (b), SymPc+SA PVA (c), AsymPc PVA (d) and AsymPc+SA PVA (e).

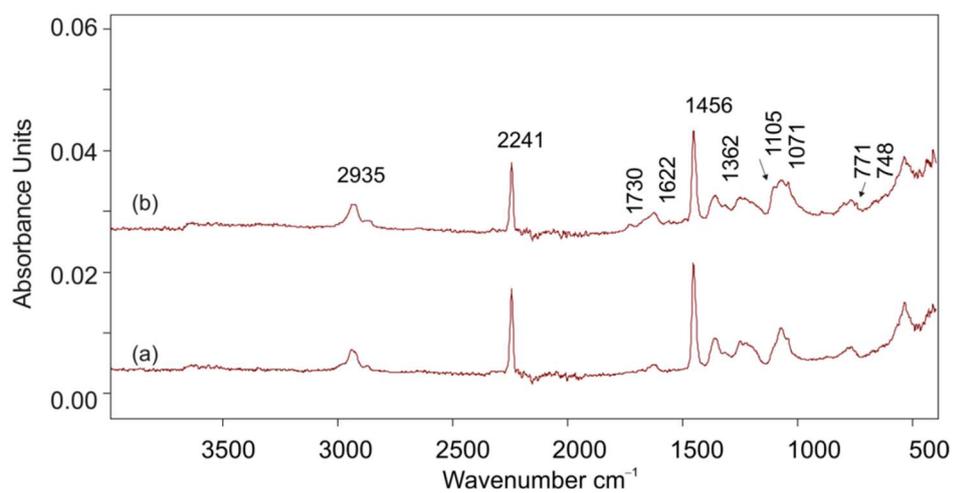


Figure S11. FT-IR spectra of PAN (a) and SymPc PAN (b).

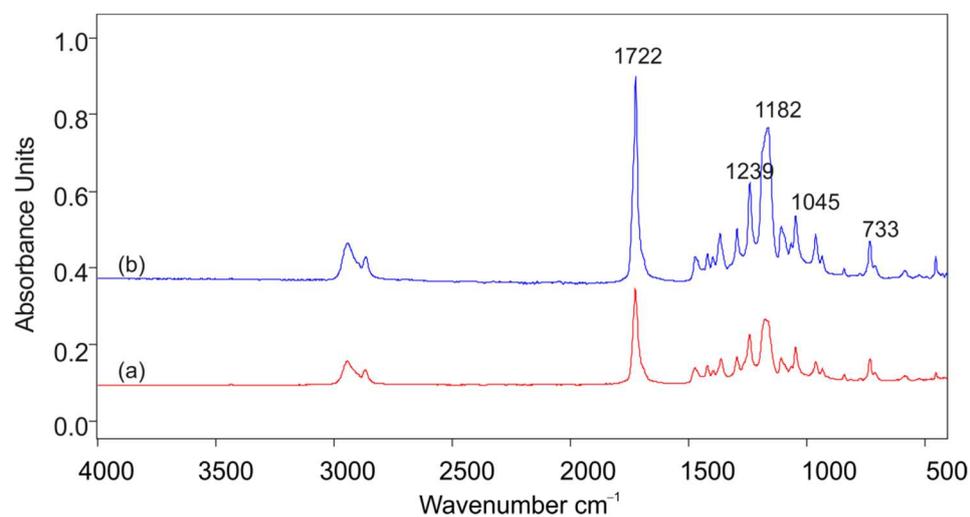


Figure S12. FT-IR spectra of PCL (a) and SymPc PCL (b).

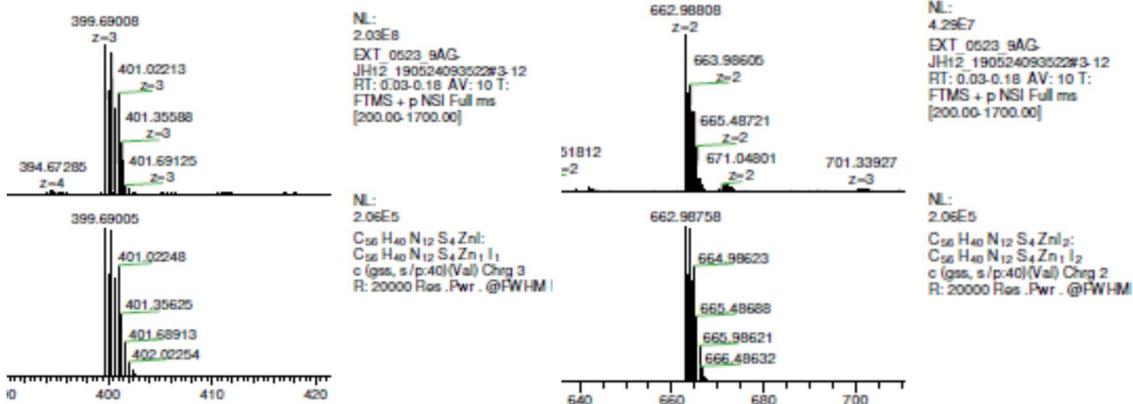
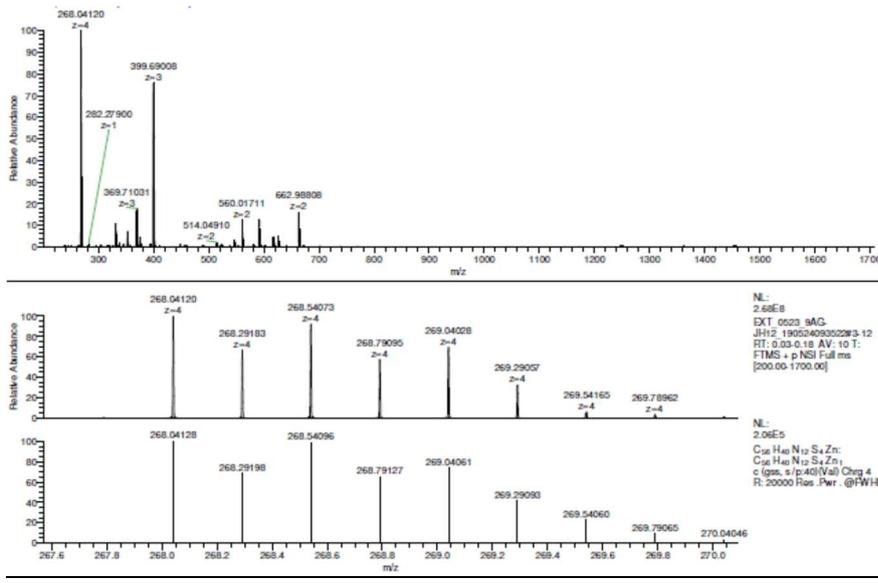


Figure S13. Mass spectra of SymPc.

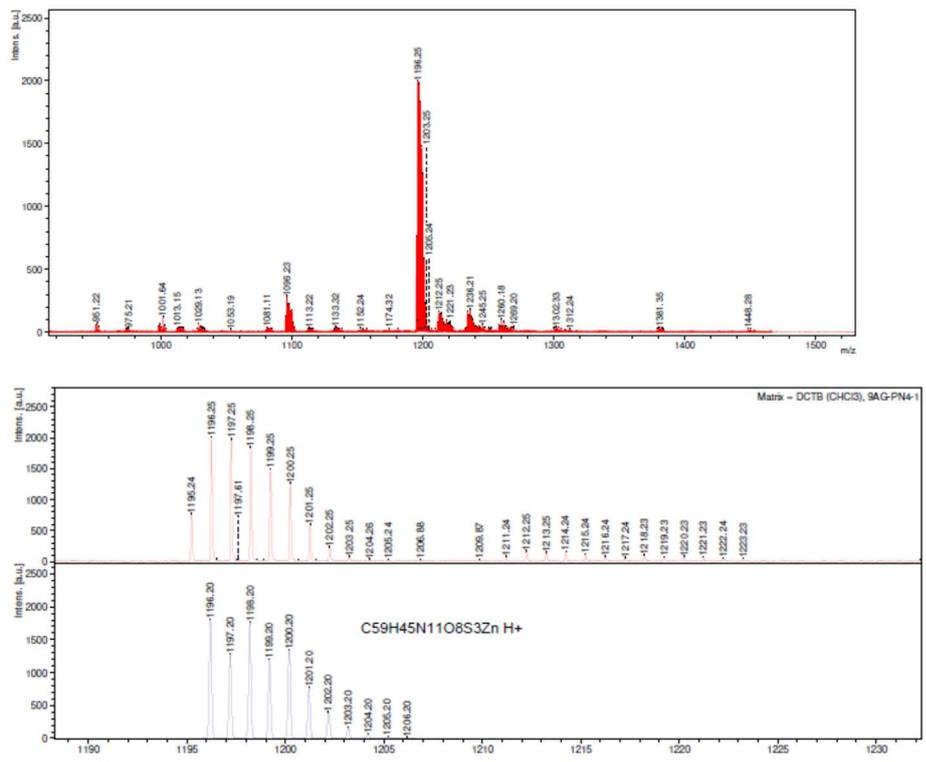
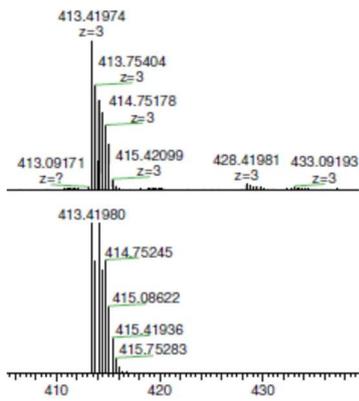
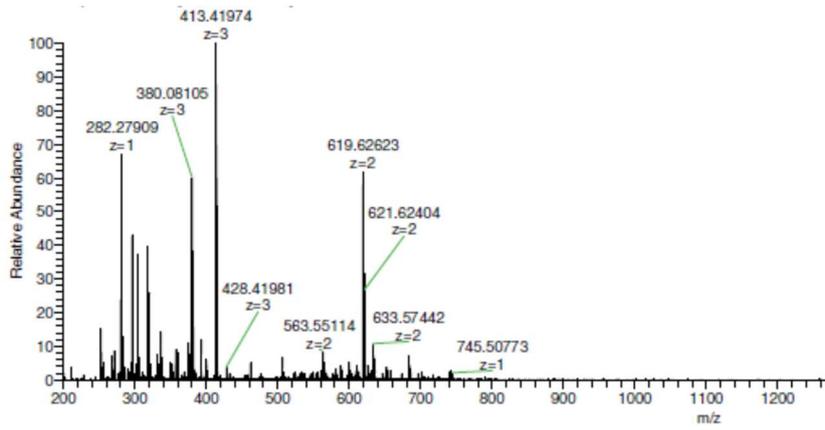
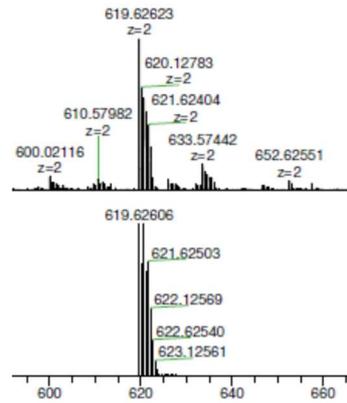


Figure S14. Mass spectra of Pc3.



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Figure S15. Mass spectra of *AsymPc*.