

# RSC Advances

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### 3D reactive inkjet printing of aliphatic polyureas using in-air coalescence technique

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**Table S1.**

Measured temperature dependence of dynamic viscosity  $\eta$  and density  $\rho$  of reactive inks components

| $T / ^\circ\text{C}$ | <i>IPDI</i>                          |                                  | <i>PEA 400</i>                       |                                  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                      | $\rho / \text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ | $\eta / \text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ | $\rho / \text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ | $\eta / \text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ |
| 25                   | 1.05793                              | 10.34                            | 0.96792                              | 24.7                             |
| 35                   | 1.04998                              | 6.97                             | 0.95979                              | 16.0                             |
| 40                   | 1.04601                              | 5.87                             | 0.95575                              | 13.2                             |
| 45                   | 1.04204                              | 4.95                             | 0.95171                              | 10.9                             |
| 55                   | 1.03411                              | 3.66                             | 0.94364                              | 7.88                             |
| 60                   | 1.03015                              | 3.16                             | 0.93964                              | 6.69                             |
| 65                   | 1.02619                              | 2.78                             | 0.93564                              | 5.82                             |
| 75                   | 1.01826                              | 2.19                             | 0.92765                              | 4.48                             |

Standard uncertainties  $u$  are as follows:  $u(T) = 0.02^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $u(\rho) = 0.00005 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $u_r(\eta) = 5 \%$

**Table S2.**

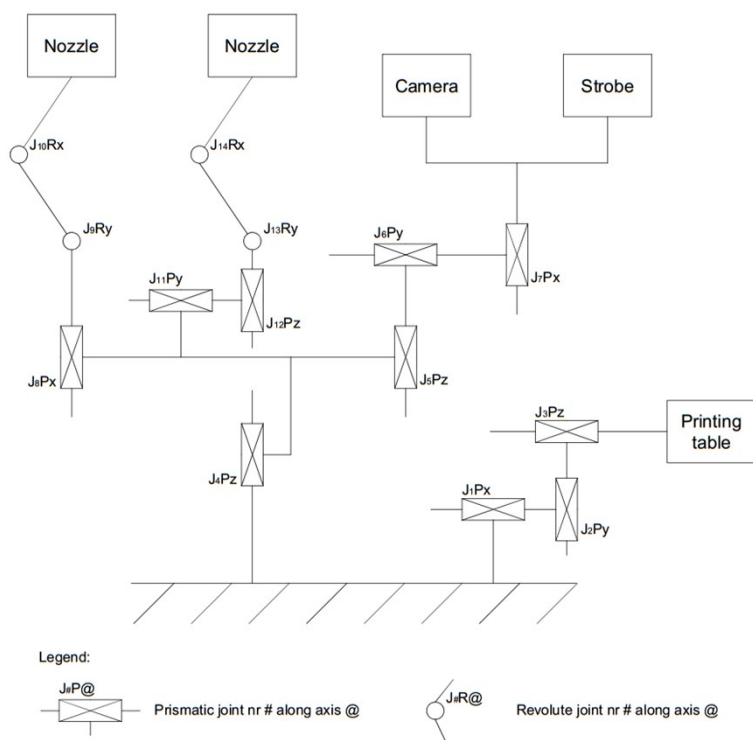
Dispensing parameters impulse time  $\tau$ , impulse voltage  $U$  and droplet parameters volume  $V$ , droplet velocity  $u$  during sample printing.

| No. | <i>IPDI</i>          |                      |                |                 |                                  | <i>PEA 400</i>       |                      |                |                 |                                  |
|-----|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
|     | $T / ^\circ\text{C}$ | $\tau / \mu\text{s}$ | $U / \text{V}$ | $V / \text{pL}$ | $u / \text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ | $T / ^\circ\text{C}$ | $\tau / \mu\text{s}$ | $U / \text{V}$ | $V / \text{pL}$ | $u / \text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ |
| 1   | 40                   | 34                   | 68             | 284±14          | 2.23                             | 60                   | 79                   | 96             | 518±15          | 1.88                             |
| 2   | 40                   | 33                   | 67             | 288±3           | 1.82                             | 60                   | 77                   | 102            | 634±15          | 1.76                             |
| 3   | 40                   | 33                   | 67             | 292±3           | 1.96                             | 60                   | 80                   | 102            | 587±9           | 1.88                             |
| 4   | 40                   | 35                   | 65             | 281±5           | 1.69                             | 60                   | 77                   | 99             | 499±11          | 2.04                             |
| 5   | 40                   | 30                   | 75             | 327±3           | 2.15                             | 60                   | 75                   | 102            | 584±18          | 2.14                             |
| 6   | 40                   | 32                   | 82             | 310±3           | 2.02                             | 60                   | 77                   | 102            | 619±11          | 2.00                             |
| 7   | 40                   | 33                   | 73             | 303±27          | 2.26                             | 60                   | 72                   | 101            | 622±14          | 2.22                             |
| 8   | 40                   | 35                   | 70             | 300±14          | 2.14                             | 60                   | 73                   | 101            | 614±13          | 2.27                             |
| 9   | 40                   | 34                   | 73             | 309±21          | 2.29                             | 60                   | 70                   | 101            | 683±50          | 2.27                             |
| 10  | 40                   | 34                   | 70             | 289±32          | 2.29                             | 60                   | 68                   | 98             | 674±53          | 2.07                             |
| 11  | 40                   | 36                   | 65             | 298±37          | 2.31                             | 60                   | 98 <sup>a</sup>      | 71             | 540±36          | 2.03                             |
| 12  | 40                   | 33                   | 69             | 276±6           | 2.00                             | 60                   | 72 <sup>a</sup>      | 32             | 473±15          | 1.89                             |
| 13  | 40                   | 313                  | 61             | 267±3           | 1.68                             | 60                   | 71 <sup>a</sup>      | 85             | 451±4           | 1.89                             |
| A   | 40                   | 35                   | 64             | 286±26          | 1.96                             | 60                   | 70                   | 98             | 605±35          | 2.07                             |
| B   | 40                   | 35                   | 63             | 301±4           | 2.03                             | 60                   | 71                   | 98             | 610±38          | 2.07                             |
| C   | 40                   | 35                   | 63             | 291±7           | 2.09                             | 60                   | 70                   | 97             | 600±27          | 2.07                             |
| D   | 40                   | 34                   | 62             | 288±4           | 1.85                             | 60                   | 69                   | 93             | 580±23          | 1.87                             |
| E   | 40                   | 34                   | 62             | 290±4           | 1.85                             | 60                   | 69                   | 94             | 589±12          | 1.96                             |
| F   | 40                   | 34                   | 63             | 293±4           | 1.90                             | 60                   | 69                   | 92             | 586±30          | 1.75                             |

<sup>a</sup> dispenser 100  $\mu\text{m}$

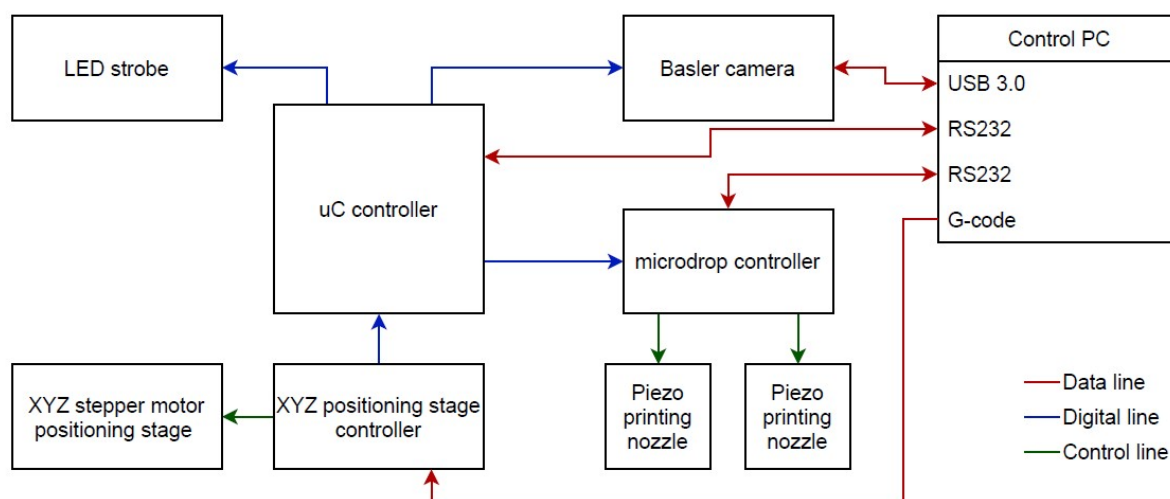
**Figure S1**

Concept and block design of the micro-reactive printer



**Figure S2**

Process control system diagram.



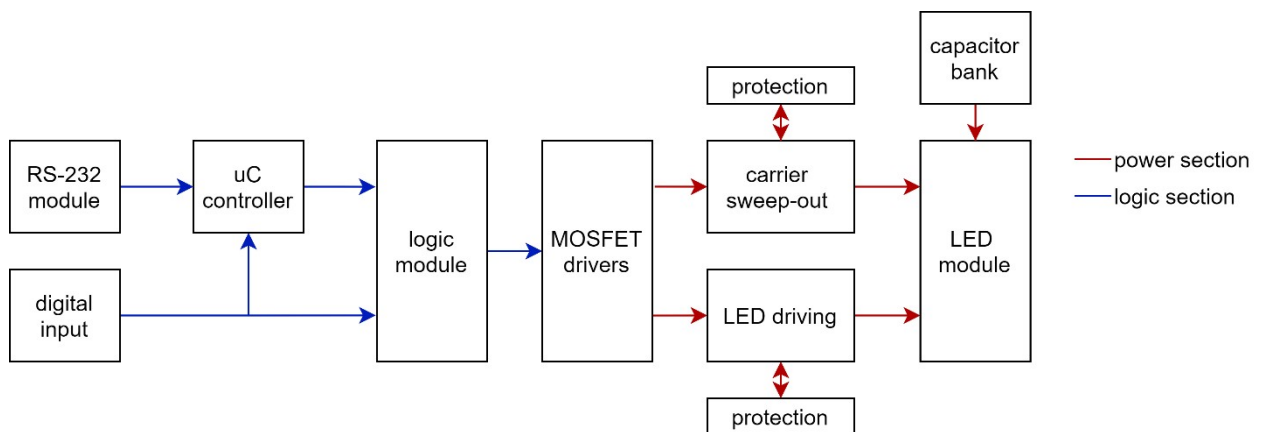
### Figure S3

Image acquisition signal diagram.



**Figure S4**

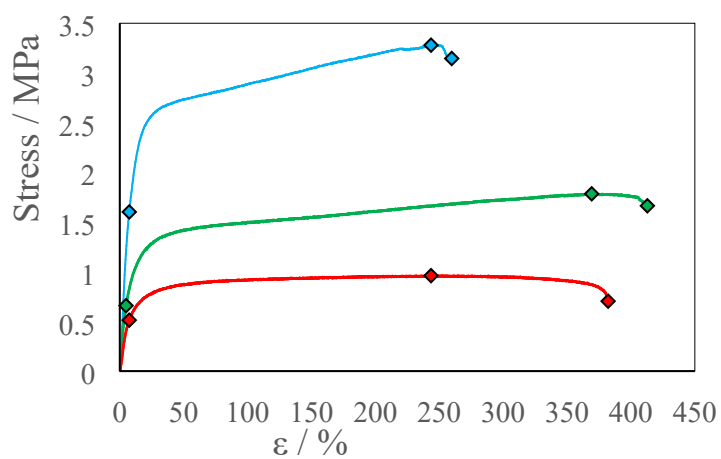
Strobe block diagram.



**Figure S5**

Stress-strain curve for beams printed at room temperature  $T = 22^\circ\text{C}$  with different IPDI excesses

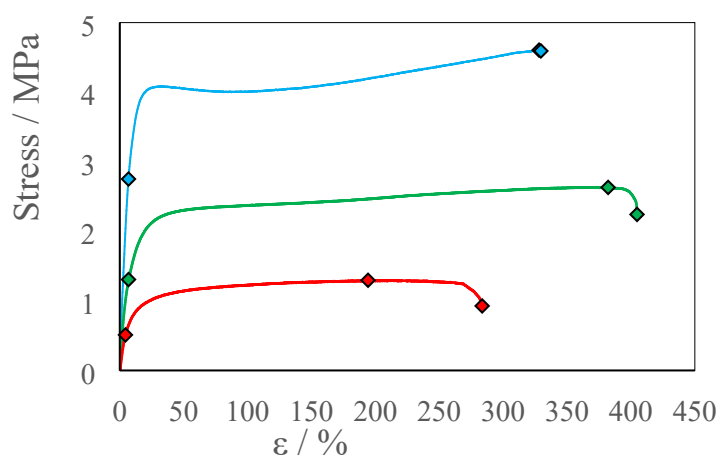
$R^E$ : ● 15%, ● 5%, ● -4%.



**Figure S6**

Stress-strain curve for beams printed at the temperature  $T = 40^\circ\text{C}$  with different IPDI excesses

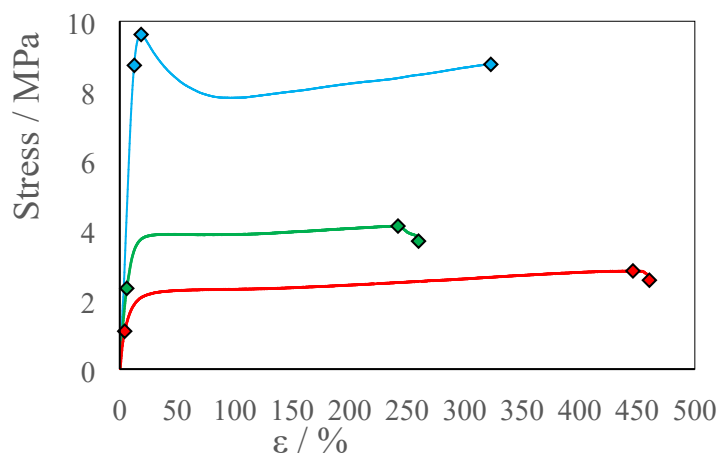
$R^E$ : ● 19%, ● 5.8%, ● -4.4%.



**Figure S7**

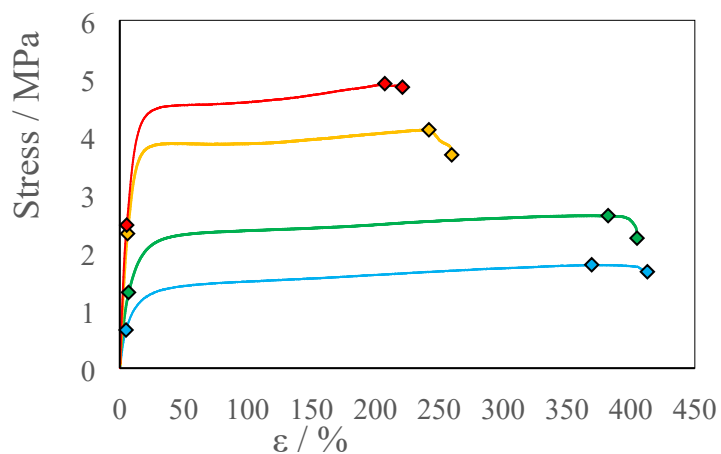
Stress-strain curve for beams printed at the temperature  $T = 60^\circ\text{C}$  with different IPDI excesses

$R^E$ : ● 18%, ● 3%, ● -10%.



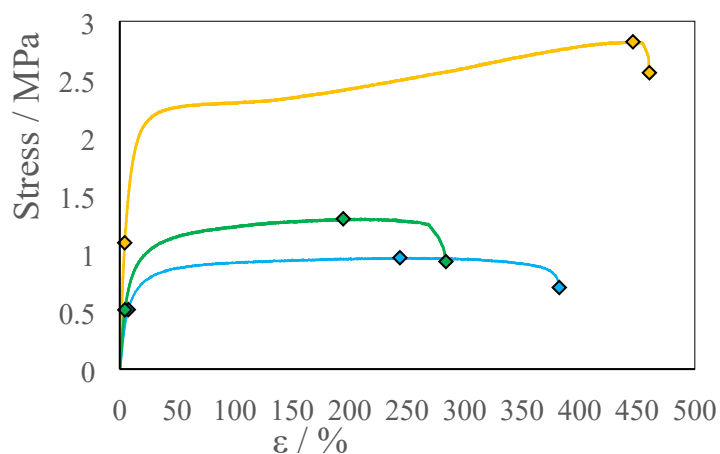
**Figure S8**

Stress-strain curve for beams printed at IPDI excess  $R^E \sim 4\%$  at different temperatures  $T$ : ●  $22^\circ\text{C}$ , ●  $40^\circ\text{C}$ , ●  $60^\circ\text{C}$ , ●  $80^\circ\text{C}$



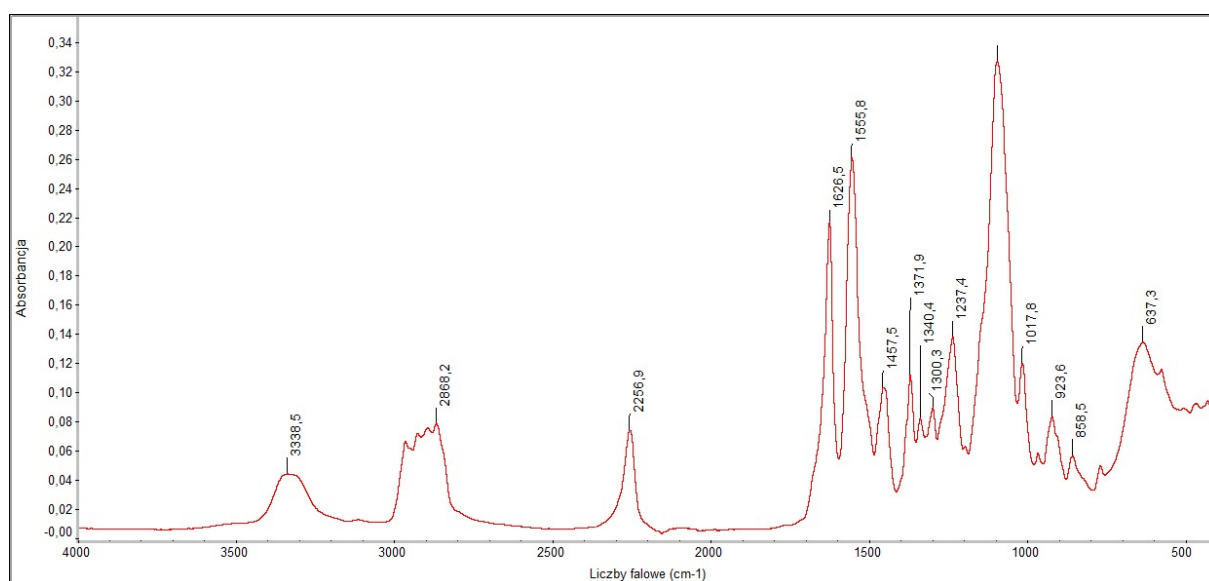
**Figure S9**

Stress-strain curve for beams printed at IPDI excess  $R^E \sim -4\%$  at different temperatures  $T$ : ● 22°C, ● 40°C, ● 60°C. The beam at  $T = 60^\circ\text{C}$  was printed with  $R^E = -10\%$ .



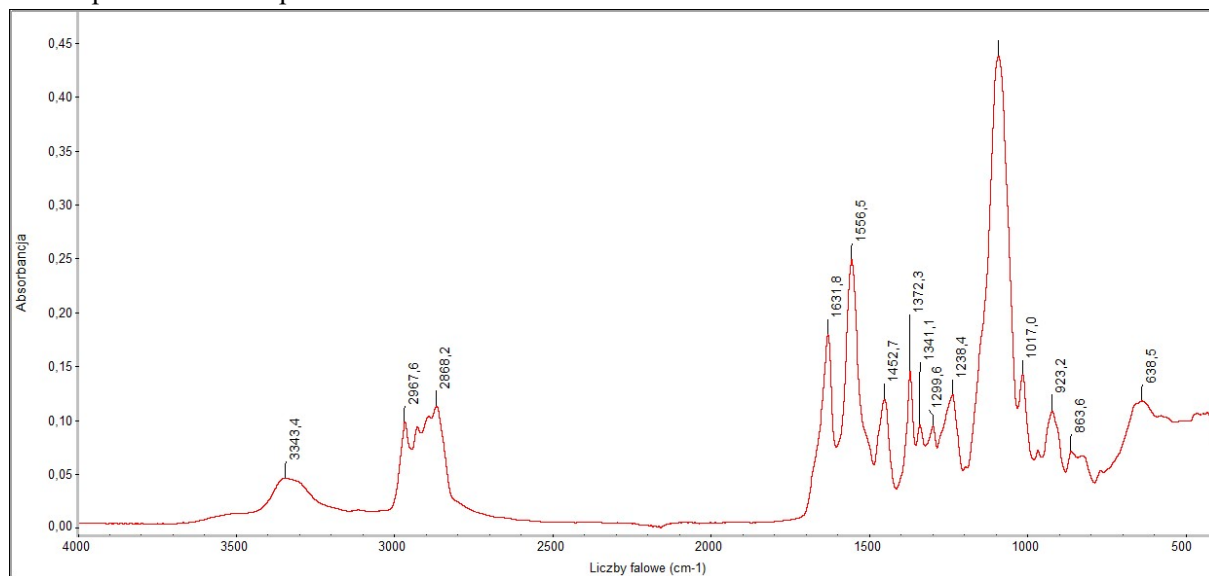
**Figure S10**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 1



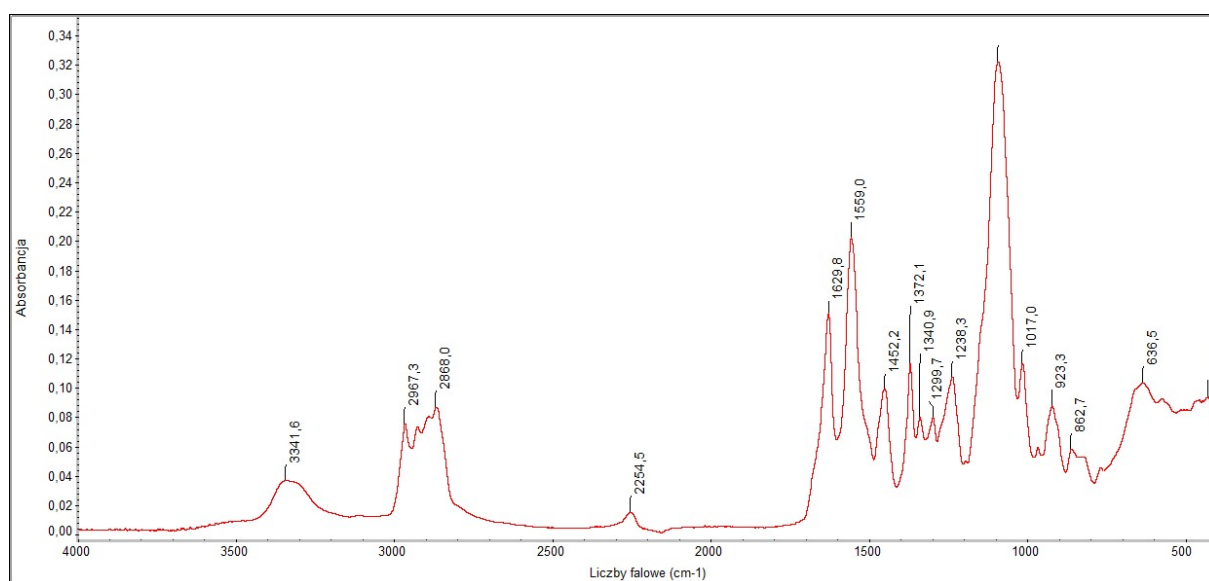
**Figure S11**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 2



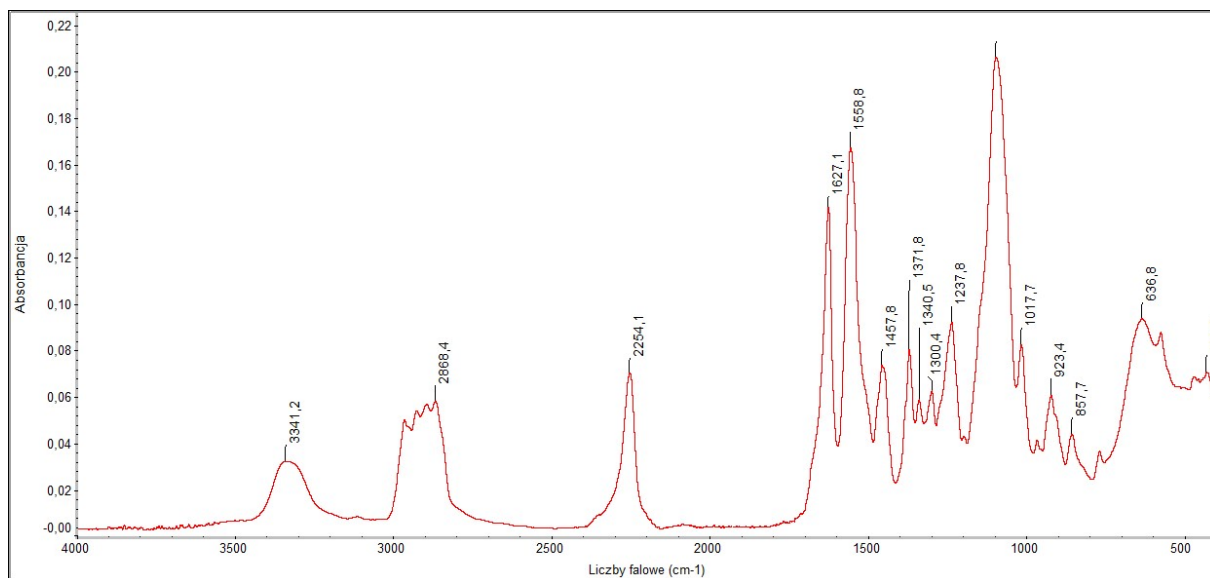
**Figure S12**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 3



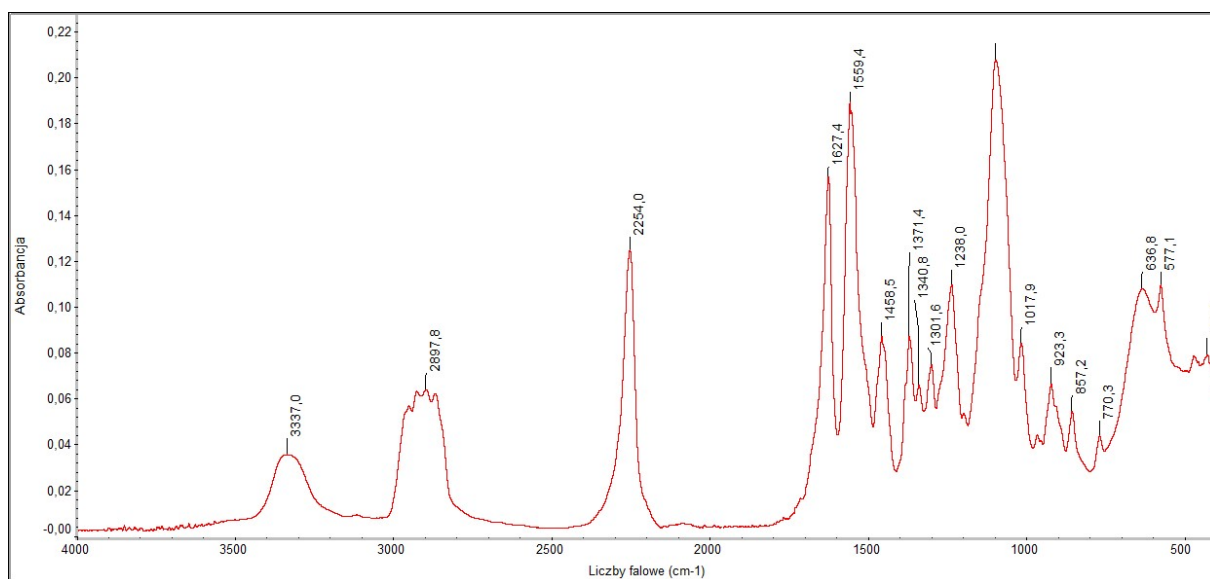
**Figure S13**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 4



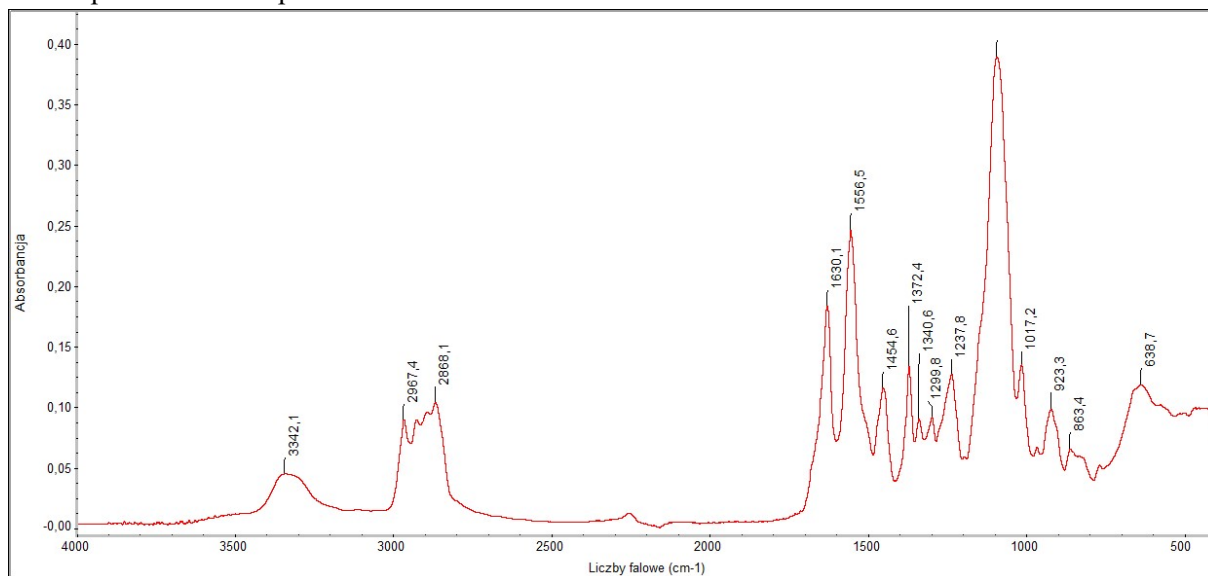
**Figure S14**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 5



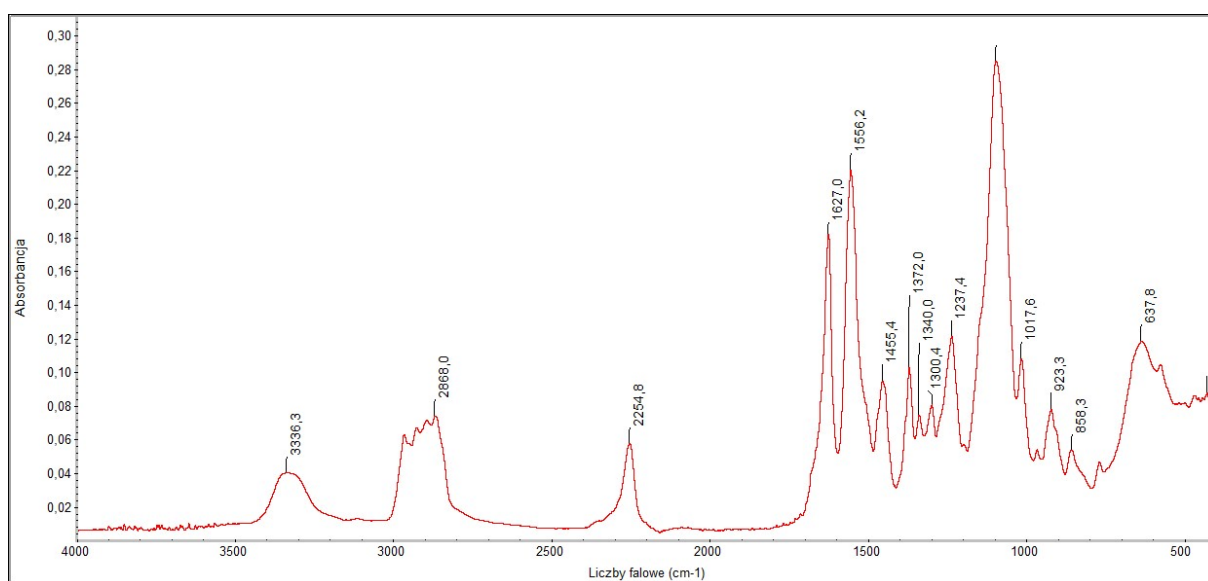
**Figure S15**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 6



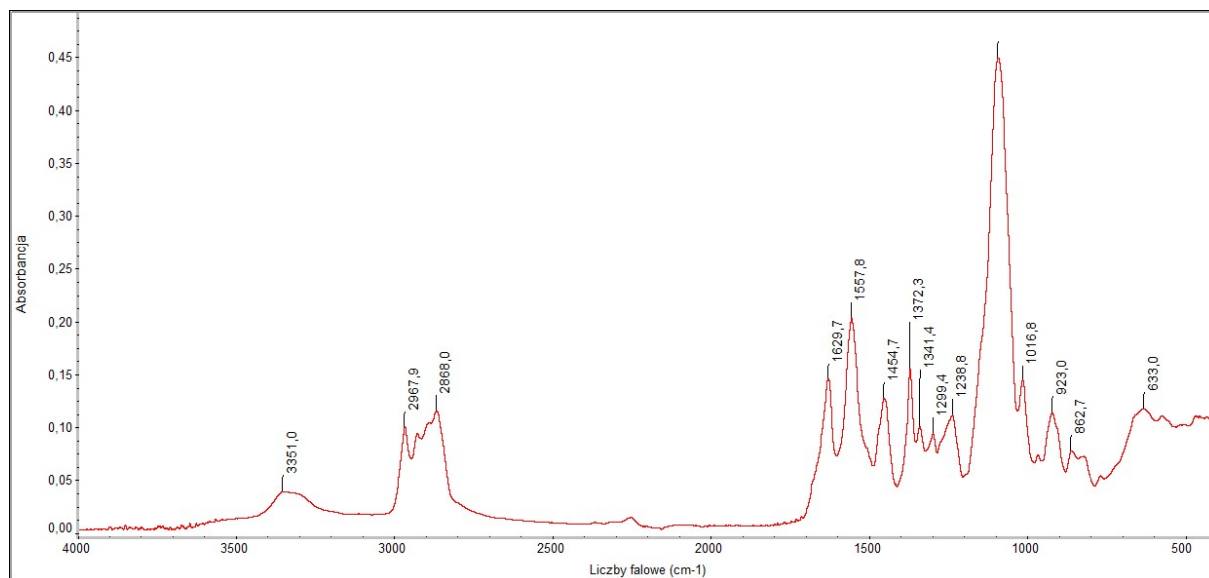
**Figure S16**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 1=7



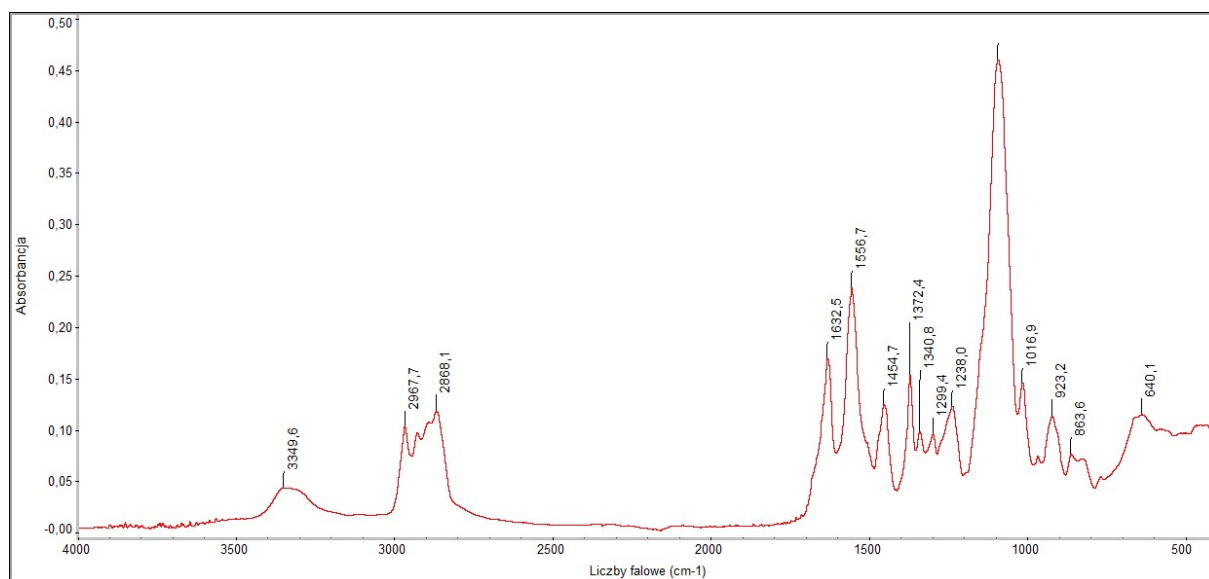
**Figure S17**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 8



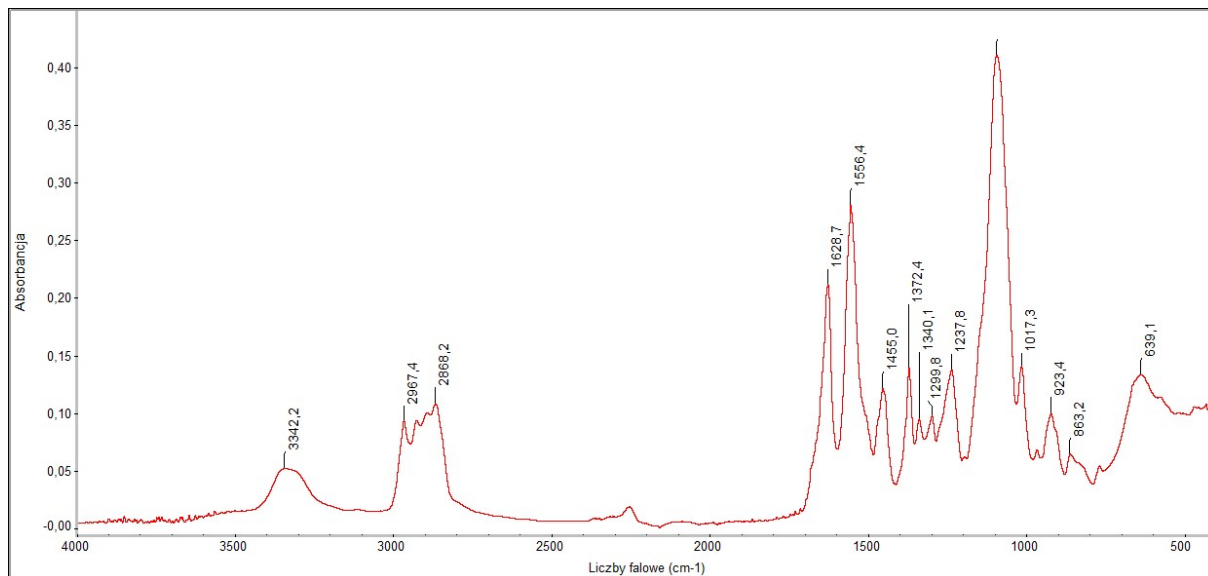
**Figure S18**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 9



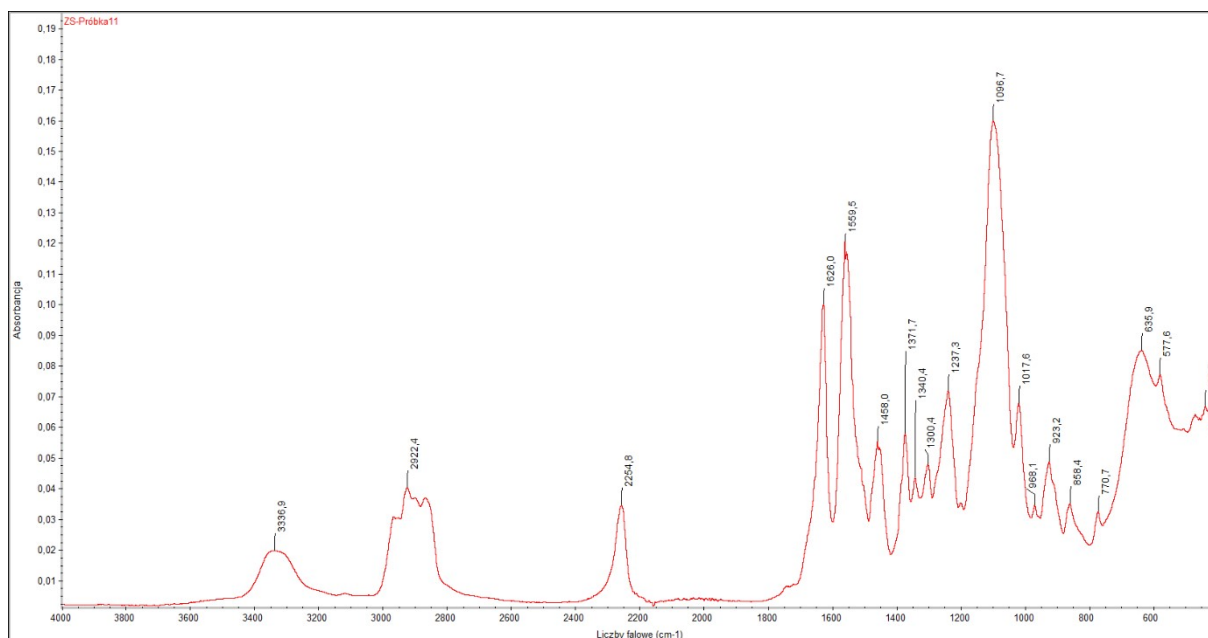
**Figure S19**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 10



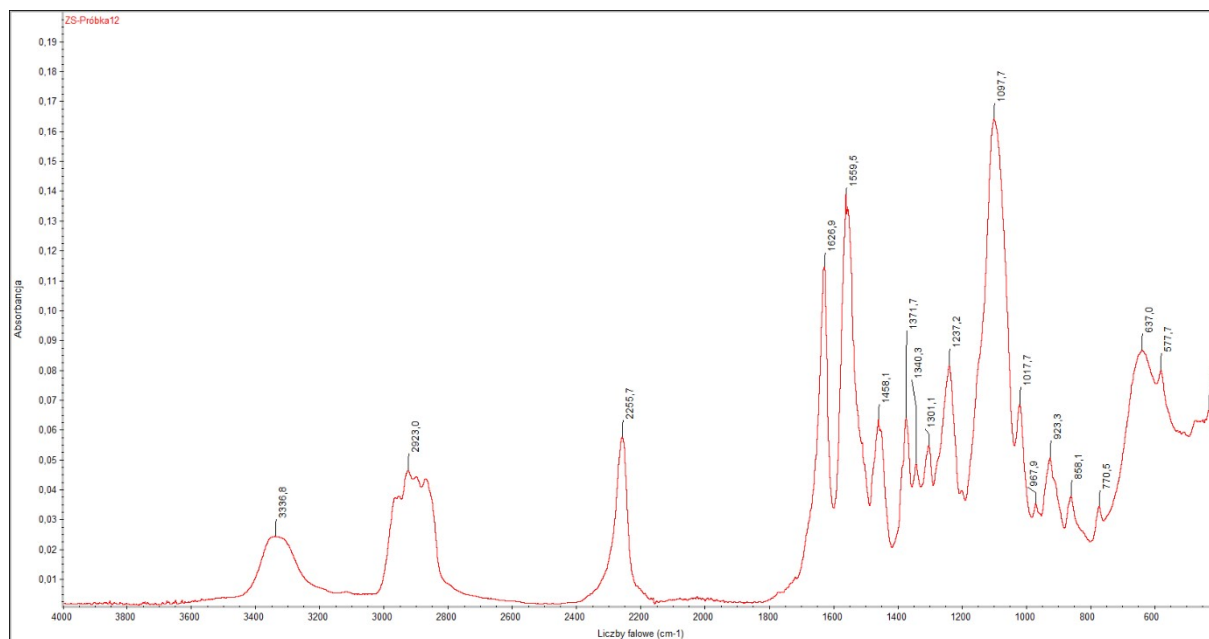
**Figure S20**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 11



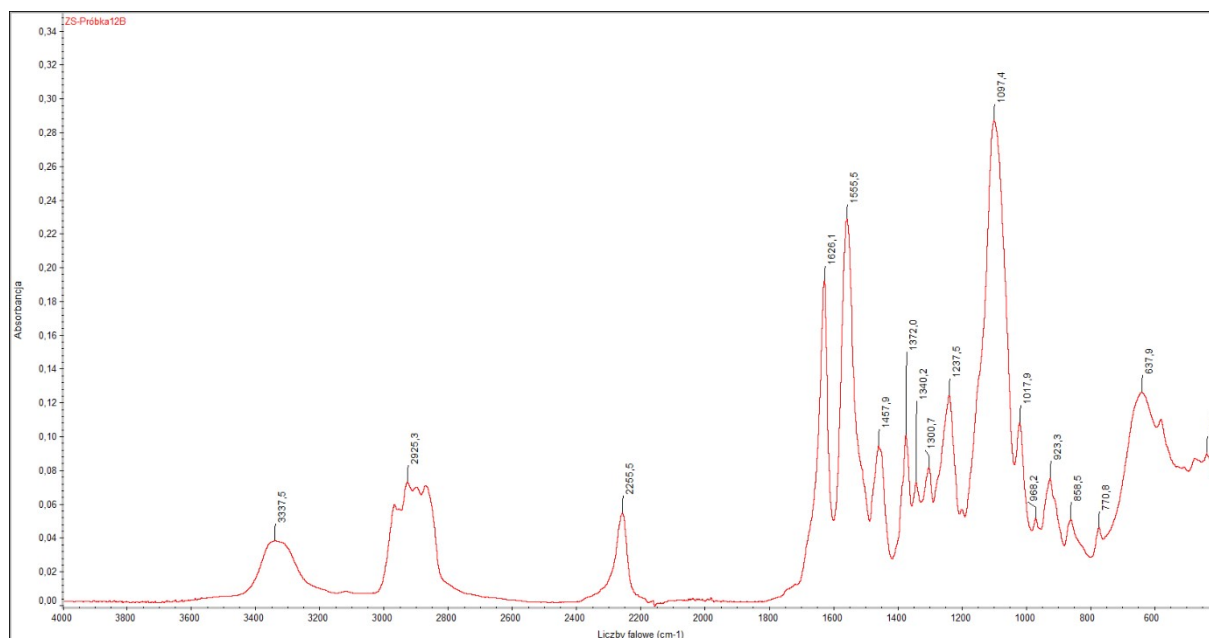
**Figure S21**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 12



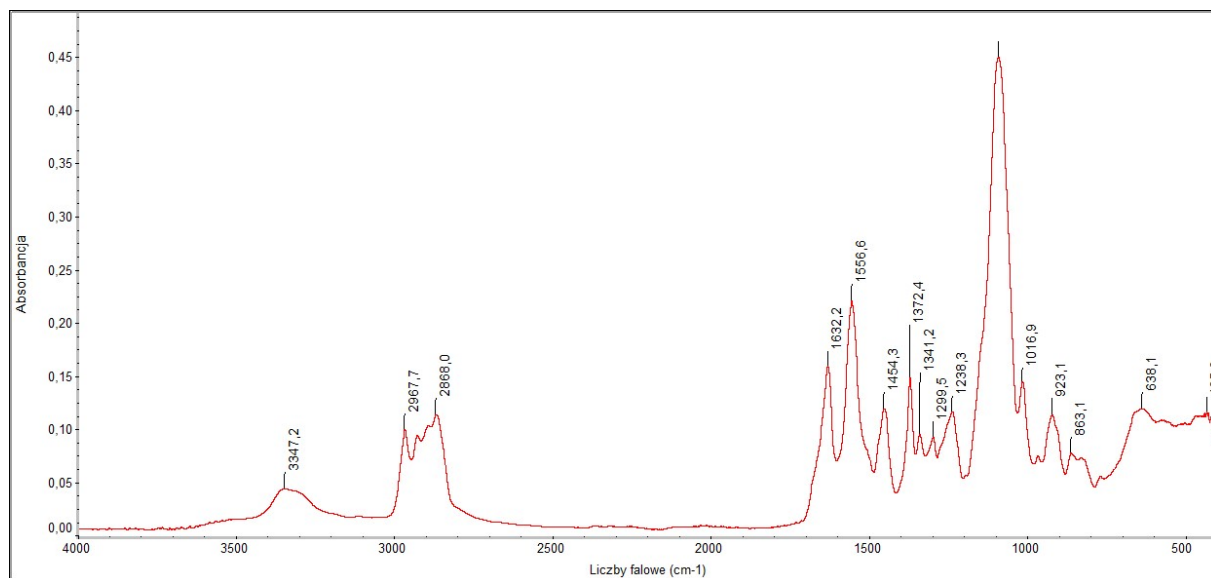
**Figure S22**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 13



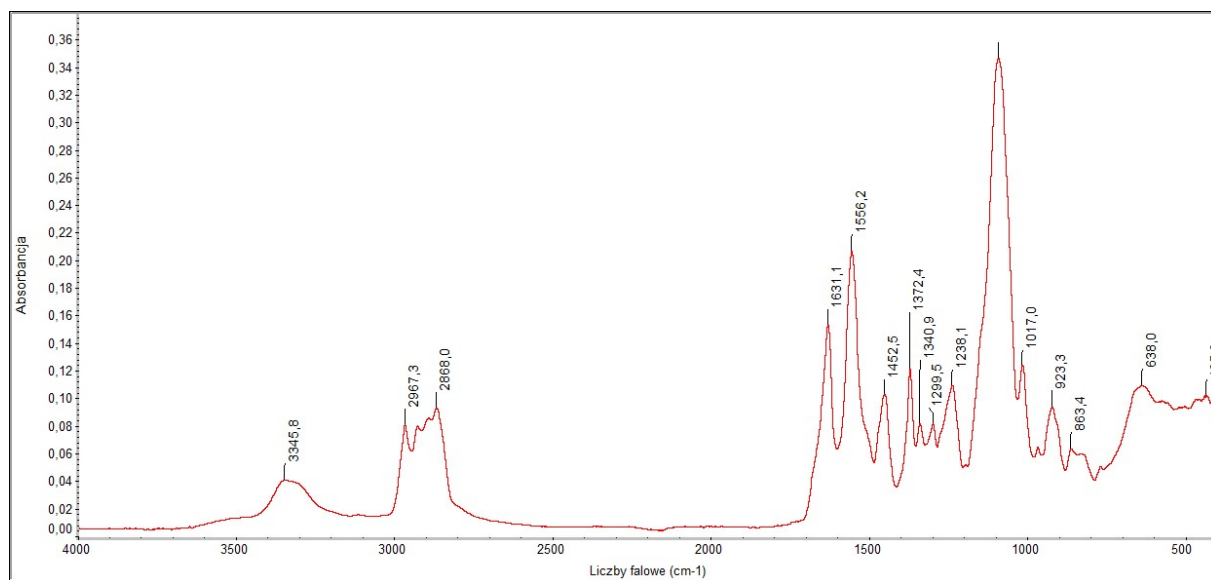
**Figure S23**

FTIR spectrum of Sample A



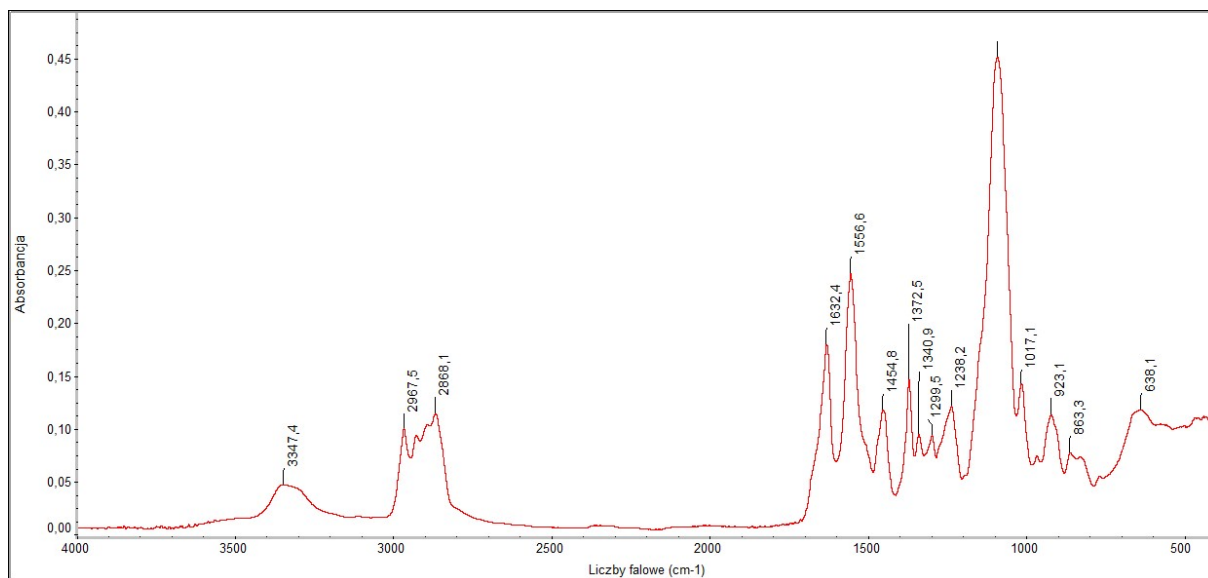
**Figure S24**

FTIR spectrum of Sample B



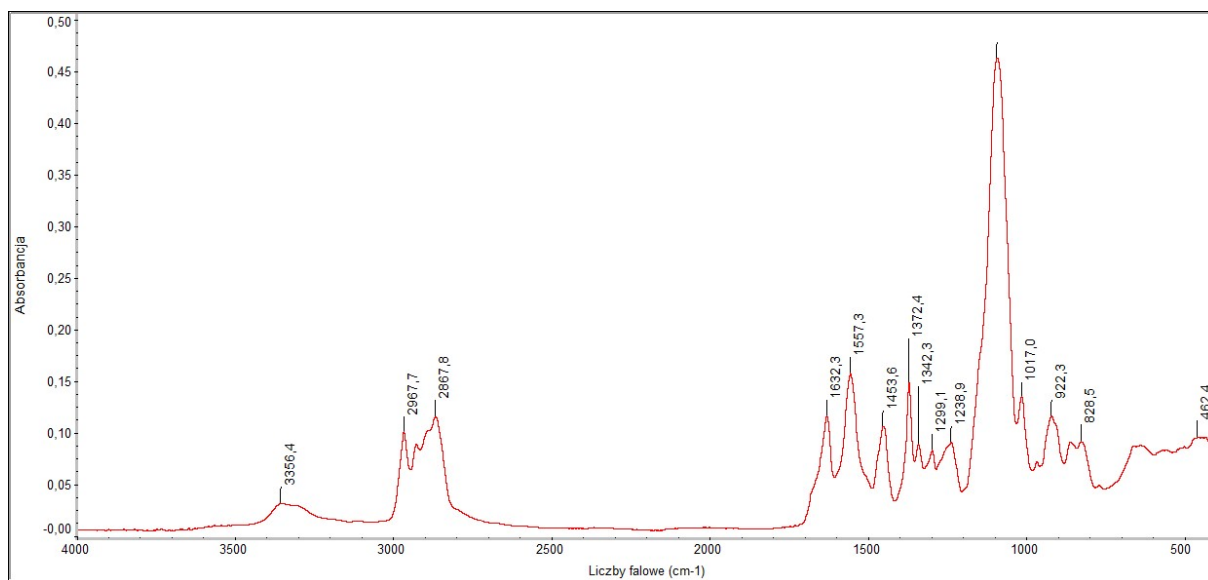
**Figure S25**

FTIR spectrum of Sample C



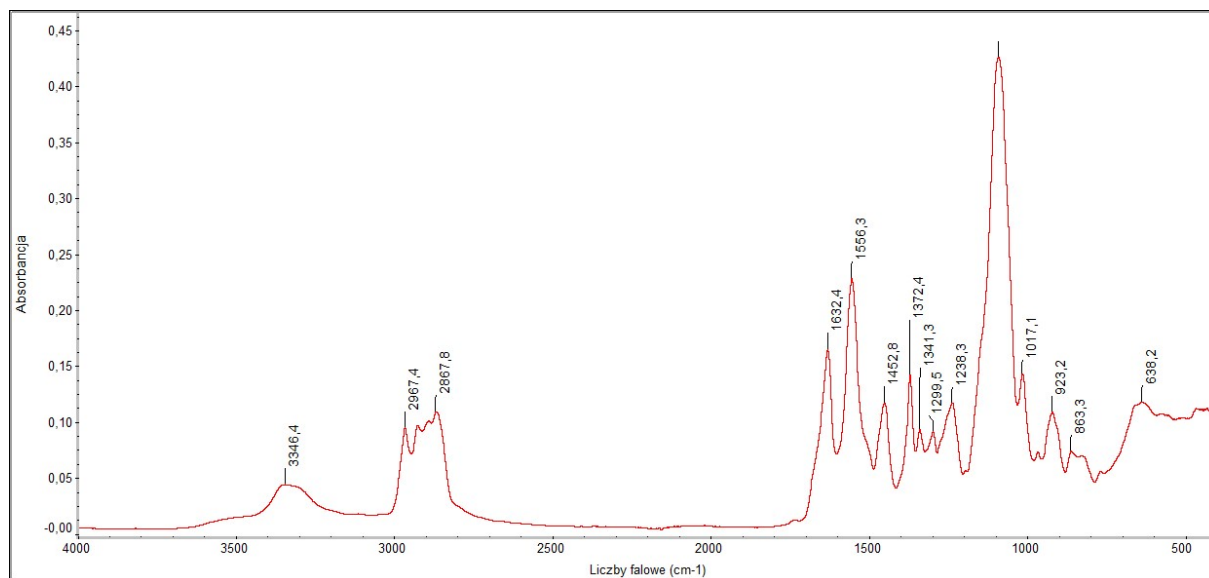
**Figure S26**

FTIR spectrum of Sample D



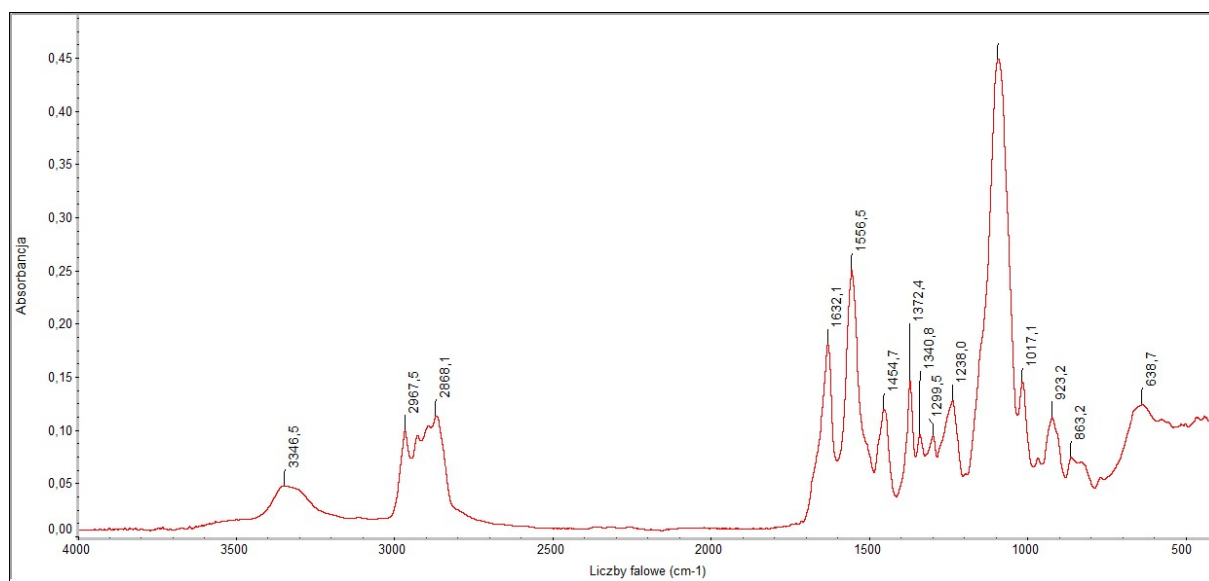
**Figure S27**

FTIR spectrum of Sample E



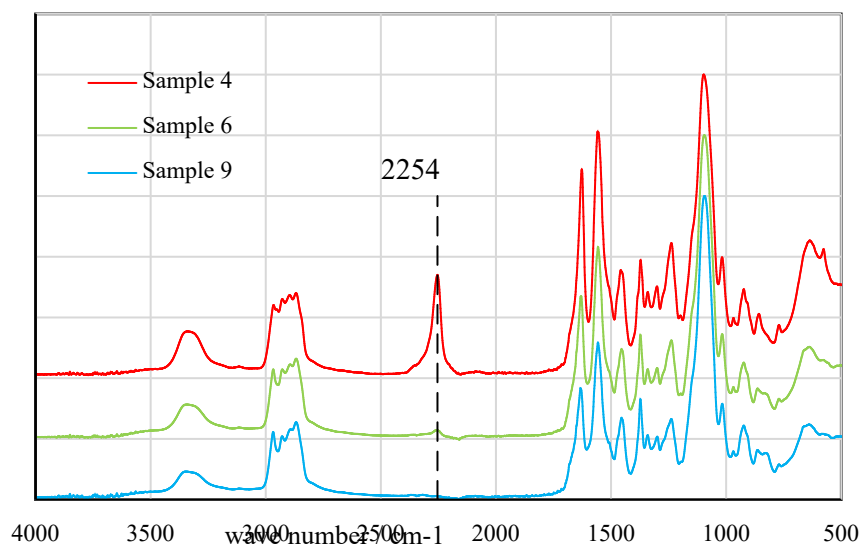
**Figure S28**

FTIR spectrum of Sample F



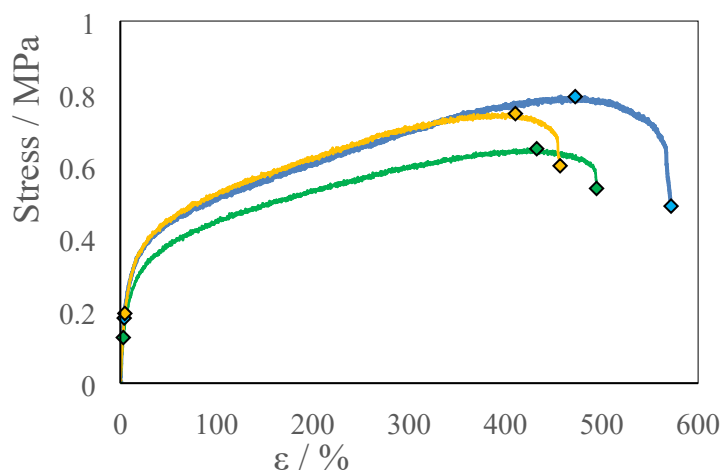
**Figure S29**

FTIR spectrum of samples printed at temperature  $T = 40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  with different IDPI molar excesses  $R^E$ :  
● 19%, ● 5.8%, ● -4.4%.



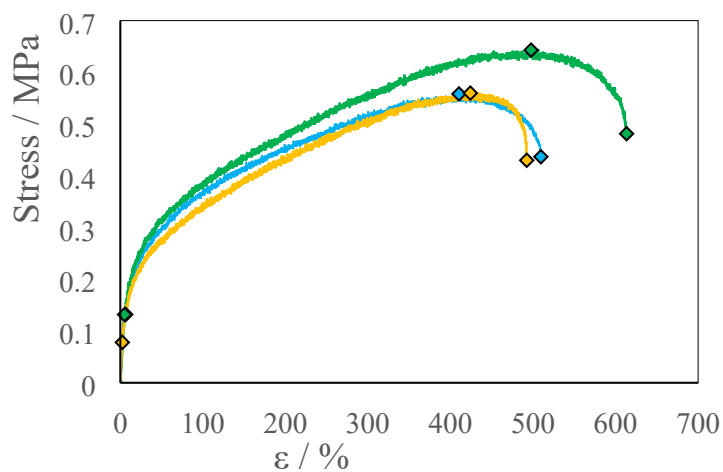
**Figure S30**

Stress-strain curve for beams printed along the X-axis (within the plane of droplet collision) at IDPI excess  $R^E \sim 4\%$  and temperature  $T = 40^{\circ}\text{C}$ : ● Sample A, ● Sample B, ● Sample C.



**Figure S31**

Stress-strain curve for beams printed along the Y-axis (perpendicular to the plane of droplet collision) at IPDI excess  $R^E \sim 4\%$  and temperature  $T = 40^\circ\text{C}$ : ● Sample D, ● Sample E, ● Sample F.



**Figure S32**

FTIR spectrum of Sample 6 (conditioned for 6 days) and sample F (conditioned 3 days).

