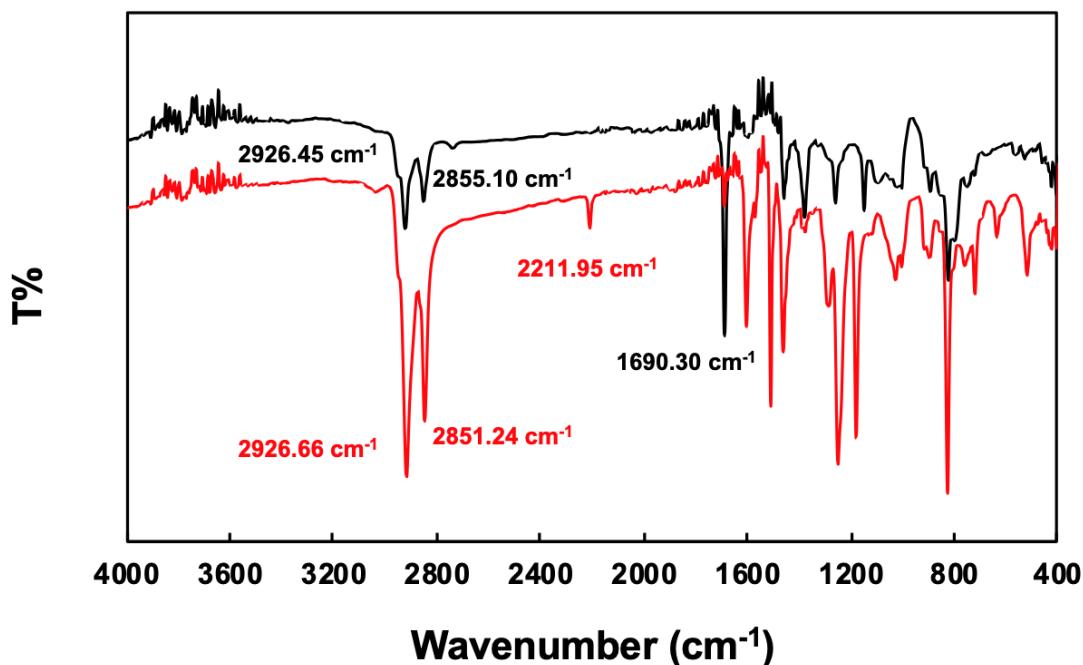


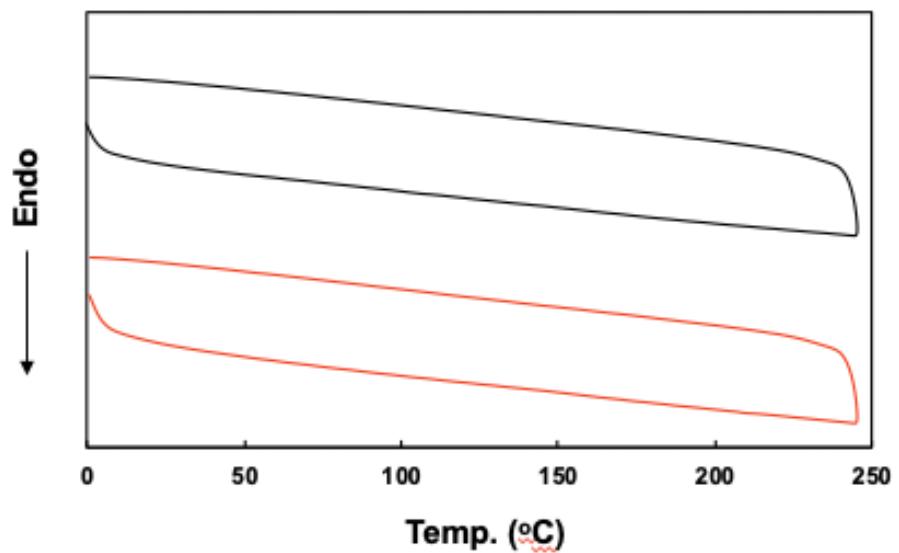
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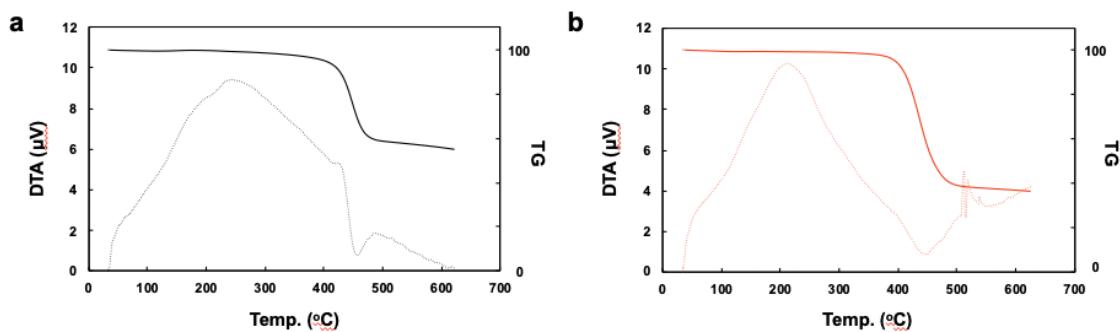
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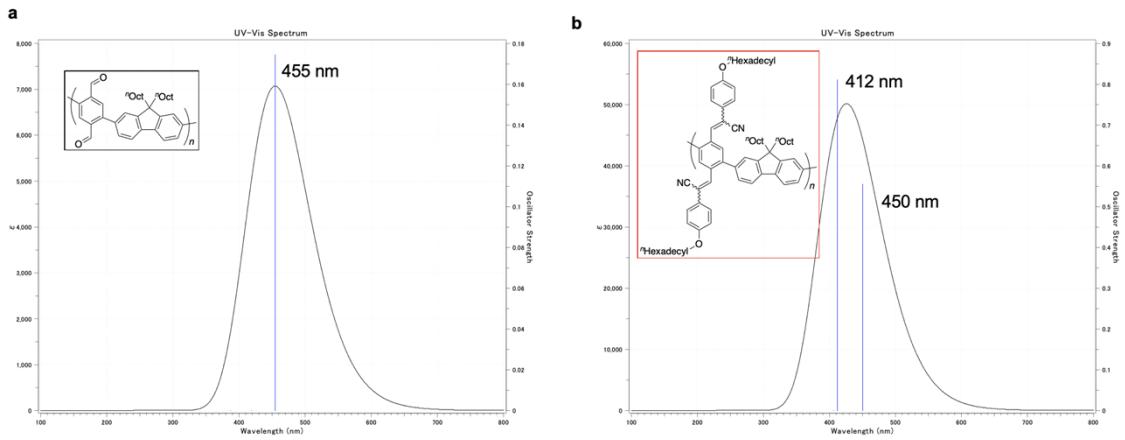
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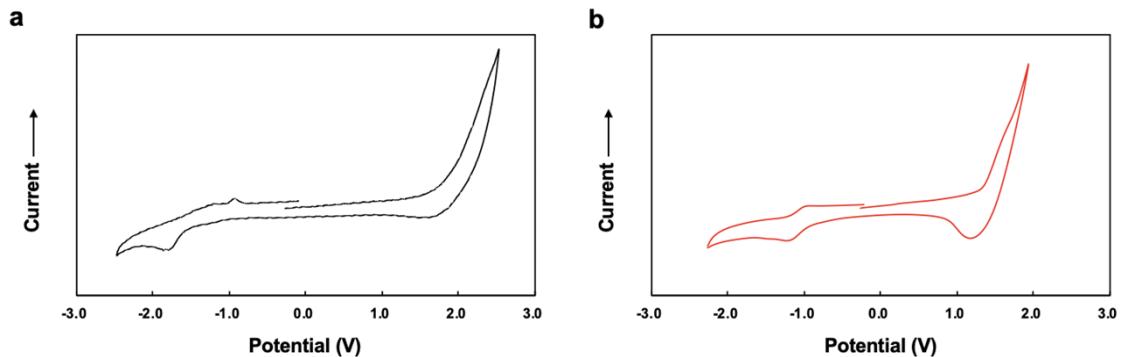
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**Fig. S3** TGA and DTA of the polymers. (a) **P1**. (b) **P2**.



**Fig. S4** Simulated UV-vis spectra of the polymer models. (a) **P1**. (b) **P2**.



**Fig. S5** CV of the polymers. (a) **P1**. (b) **P2**. Potential, V, vs.  $\text{Fc}^+/\text{Fc}$ .