Supplementary Information

Photo-responsive lignin fragment-based polymers as switchable adhesives

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6. Additional adhesive lap shear strength testing results for polymer adhesive PA-1



Figure S36. Reversibility test for the lap shear strength at 1.5 M concentration irradiated with 365 nm and 254 nm respectively.

7. Design of experiment

Table S1. Design of Experiments for	or the adhesive strength
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Exp. No.	Exp. Name	Run Order	Incl/Excl	Molar Concentration (mol/L)	Irradiation Time (min)	e Lap Shear Strength (MPa)
1	N1	1	Incl	0.125	5	0
2	N2	6	Incl	1	5	0.1
3	N3	7	Incl	0.125	120	0
4	N4	14	Incl	1	120	1.57

5	N5	5	Excl	0.125	43.3333	O ^a
6	N6	4	Excl	1	43.3333	O ^a
7	N7	11	Incl	1	81.6667	1.55
8	N8	8	Incl	0.416667	5	0.08
9	N9	9	Incl	0.708333	5	0.23
10	N10	10	Incl	0.708333	120	1.11
11	N11	2	Incl	0.5625	62.5	0.87
12	N12	12	Incl	0.5625	62.5	0.9
13	N13	13	Incl	0.5625	62.5	0.92
14	N14	3	Incl	0.5625	62.5	0.99

^a abnormal value excluded of the DoE





Table S2. Analysis of variance (ANOVA) for the model.

		Mean Squares				
Lap Shear Strength	Degrees of Freedom (DF)	Sum of Squares (SS)	(MS)	F-Value	p-Value	Deviation
			Variance			(SD)
Total	12	9.5622	0.79685			
Constant	1	5.76853	5.76853			
Total corrected	11	3.79367	0.344879			0.587264
Regression	4	3.766	0.9415	238.2	0 a	0.970309
Residual	7	0.0276679	0.00395255			0.0628693

Lack of Fit (Model error)	4	0.0198679		0.00496697	1.91037	0.311 ^b	0.0704767
Pure error (Replicate error)	3	0.0078		0.0026			0.0509902
	N = 12	Q ² =	0.969		Cond. no. =	3.02	
	DF = 7	R ² = R ² adj. ^c =	0.993 0.989		Relative Standard Deviation (RSD) =	0.06287	

^a Significance of the model at 95% confidence level

 b p > 0.05 no lack of fit

^c R² adjusted for degree of freedom



Figure S38. Reversibility test for the lap shear strength value at 1 M concentration irradiated with 365 nm and 254 nm respectively.

8. Optical microscope images for failure mode analysis



Figure S39. Failure analysis for all the polymer adhesive structures PA-1 to PA-6.