

“Supporting Information”

Tris-tetrazole based nanostructured soft material: studies on self-healing, AIEE, rheological and fluorometric detection of 3-aminopyridine

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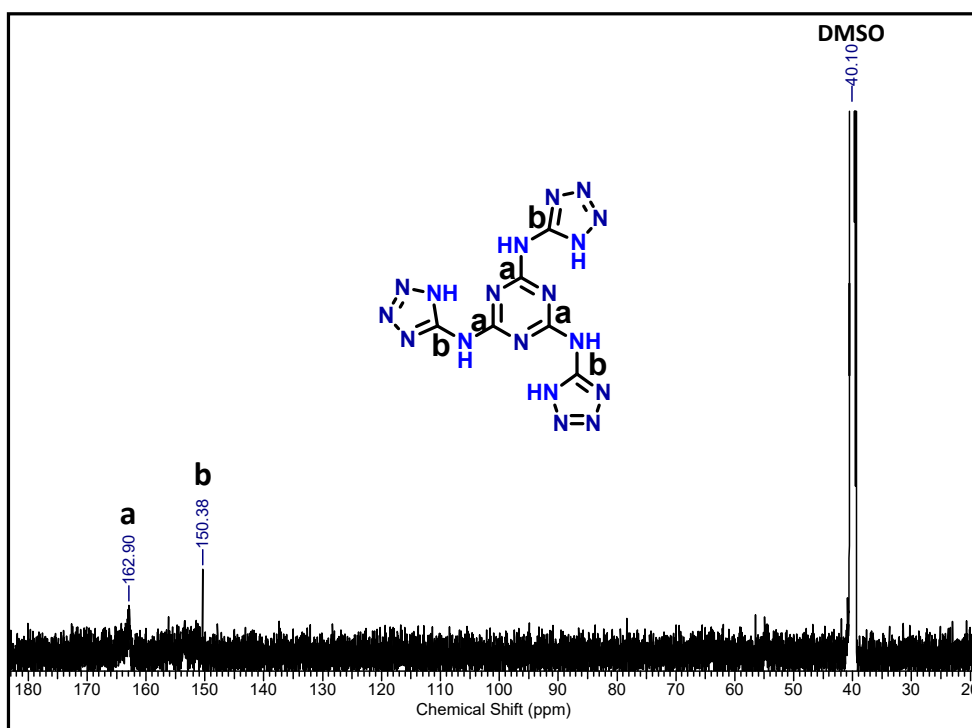


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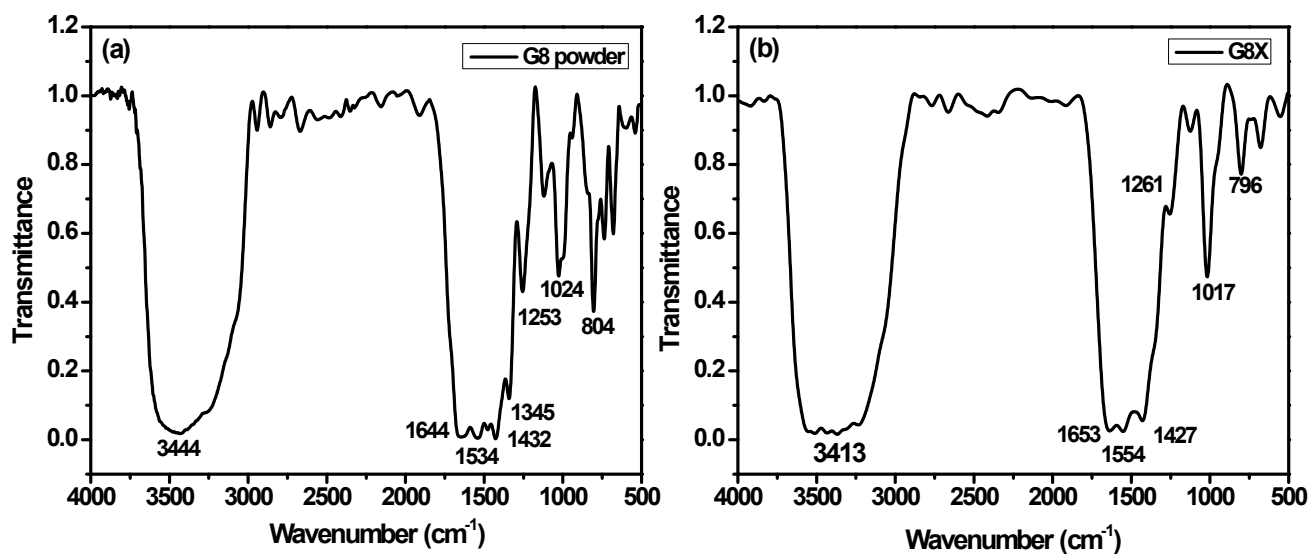


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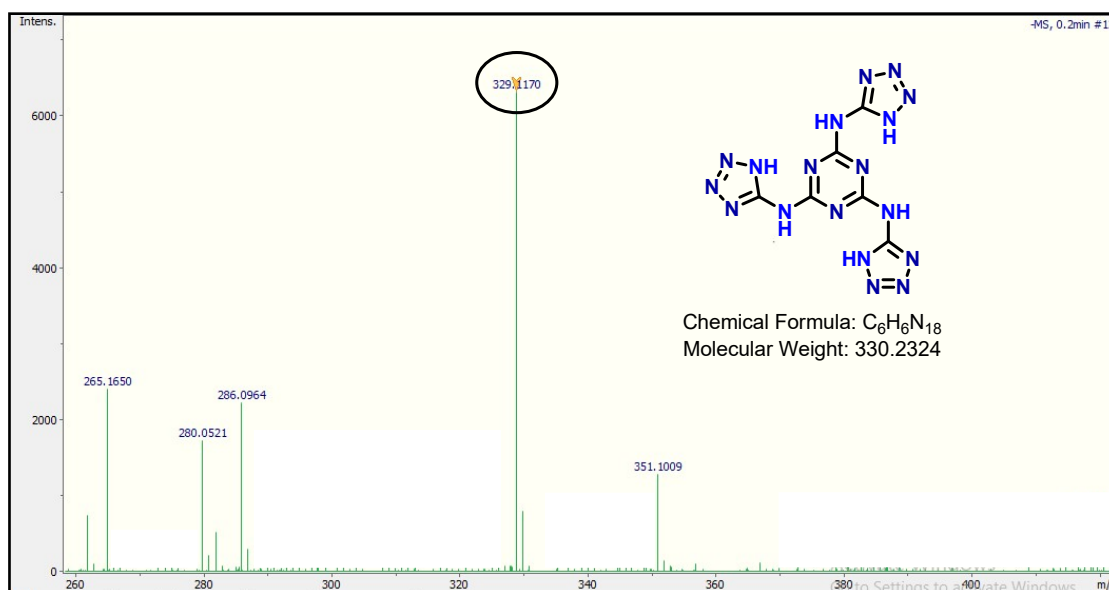


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Solvent	Solubility (G8)	Gelation	Solvent	Solubility	Gelation
Cyclohexane	I	-	Toluene	I	-
THF	I	-	Methanol	I	-
N-Hexane	I	-	DMF	S after heating	G
Acetone	I	-	Chloroform	I	-
Petroleum ether	I	-	Dichloromethane	I	-
Ethyl Acetate	I	-	DMSO	S	G
Benzene	I	-	Ethanol	I	-

Table S2: Optimization table of gelation condition of G8.

Concentration	DMSO/ H ₂ O	Gelation
17 mM	1 mL/1mL	No
34 mM	1 mL/1mL	Yes (Weak gel)
50 mM	1 mL/1mL	Yes (Strong gel)
68 mM	1 mL/1mL	Yes (Strong but opaque gel)
85 mM	1 mL/1mL	Yes (Very strong but opaque gel)

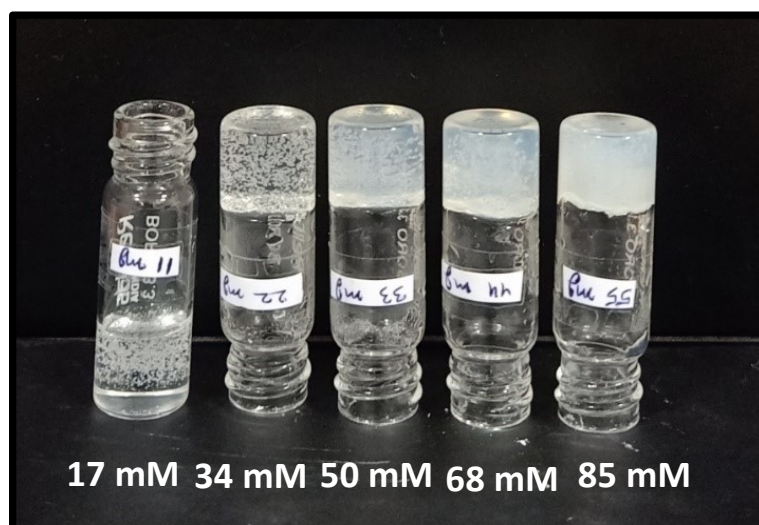


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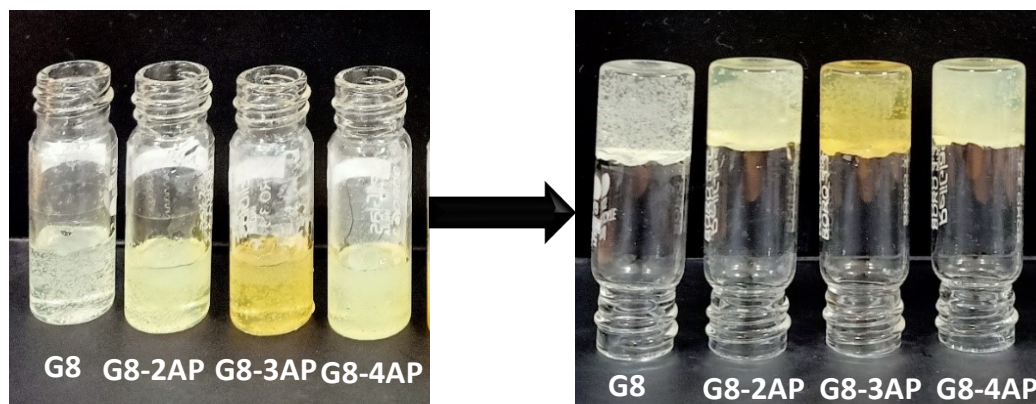


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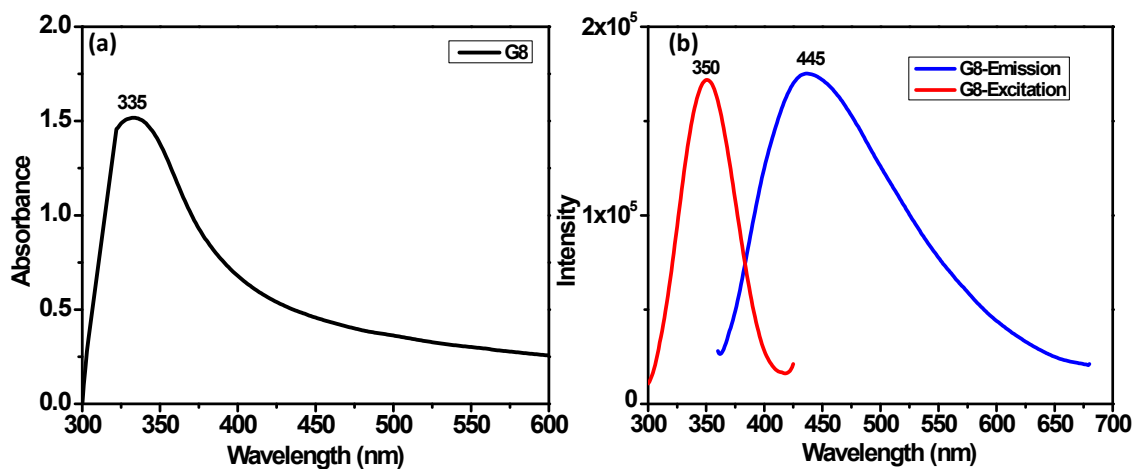


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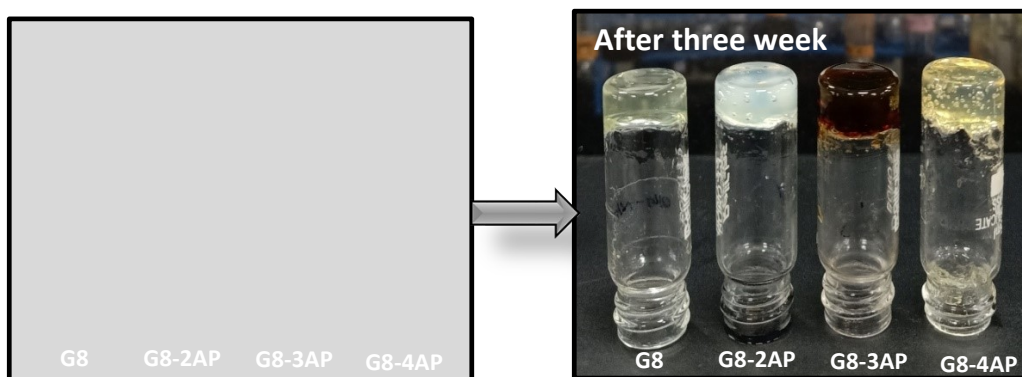


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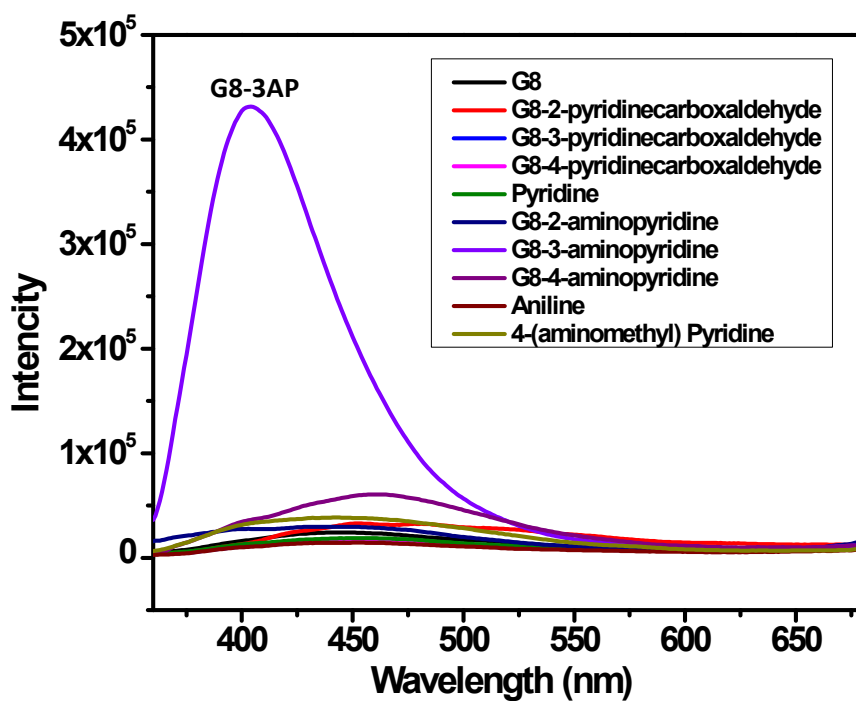


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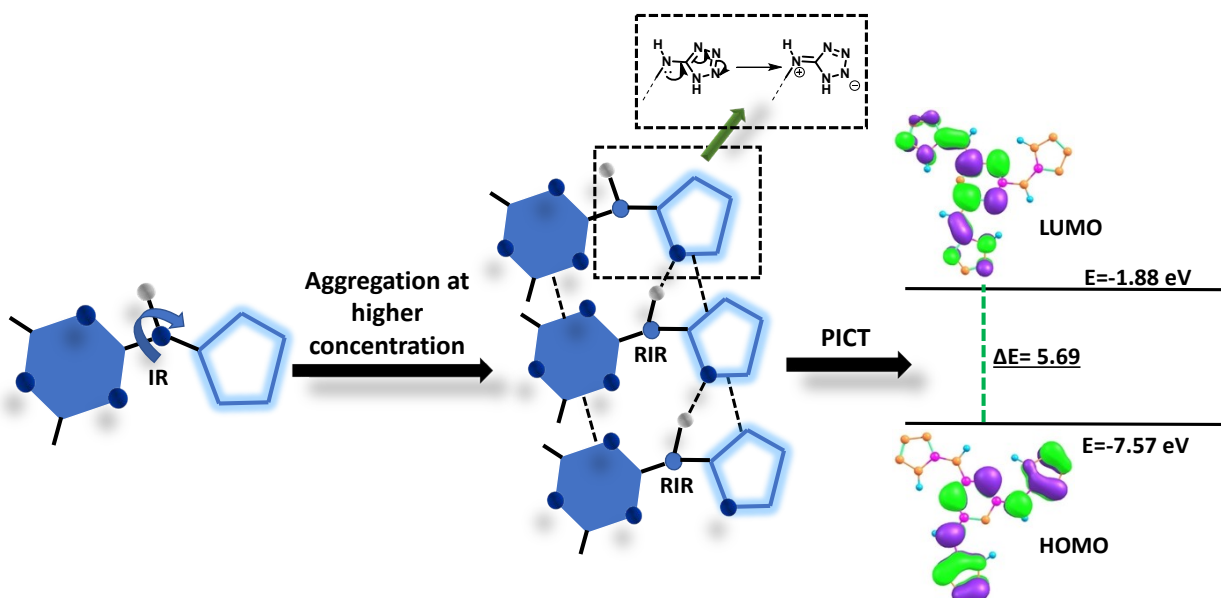


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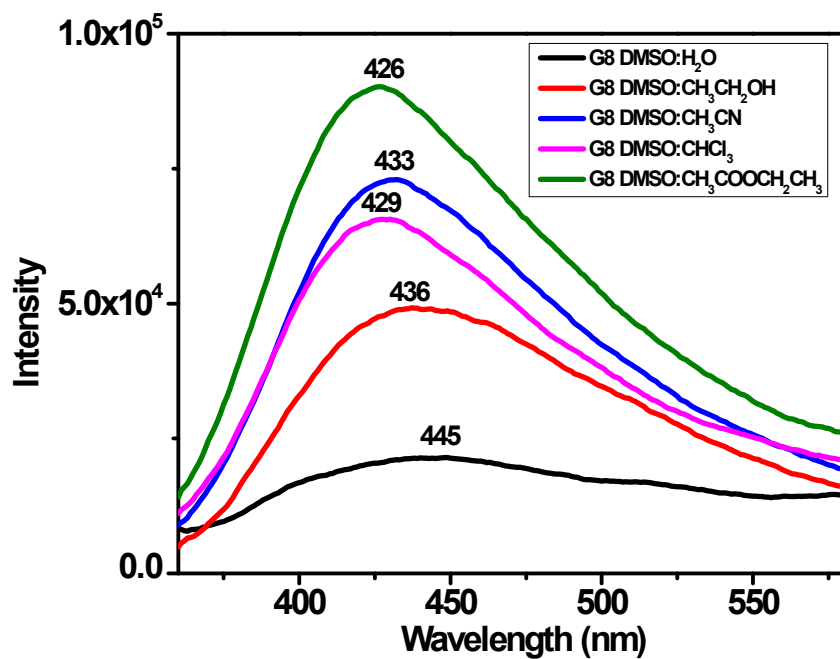


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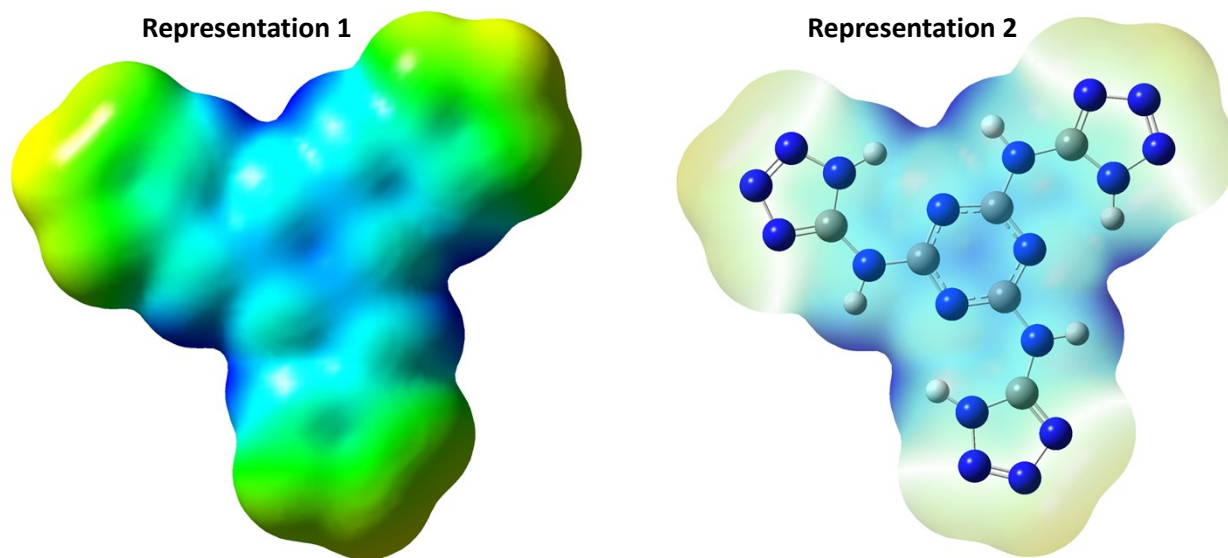


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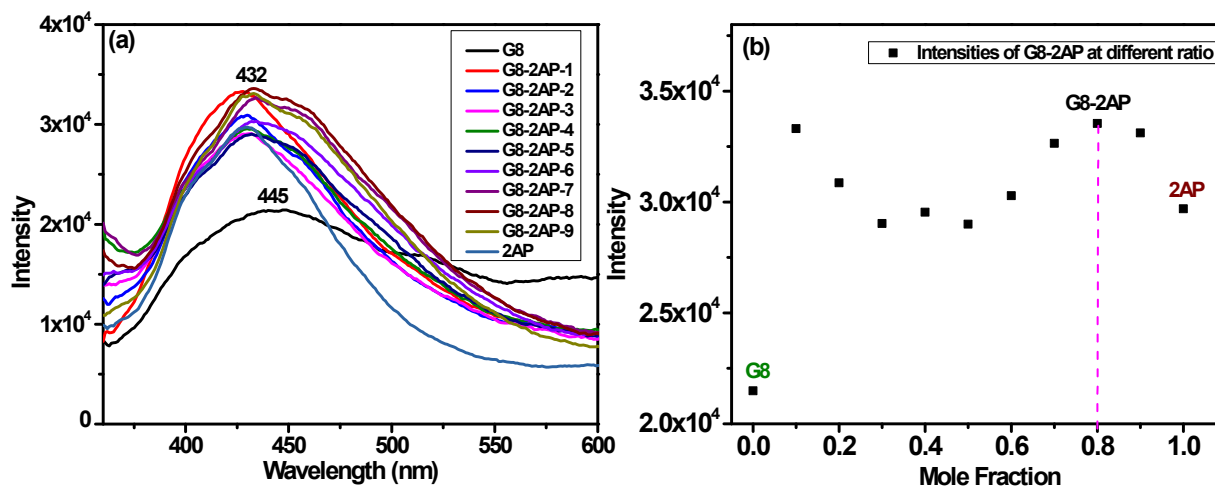


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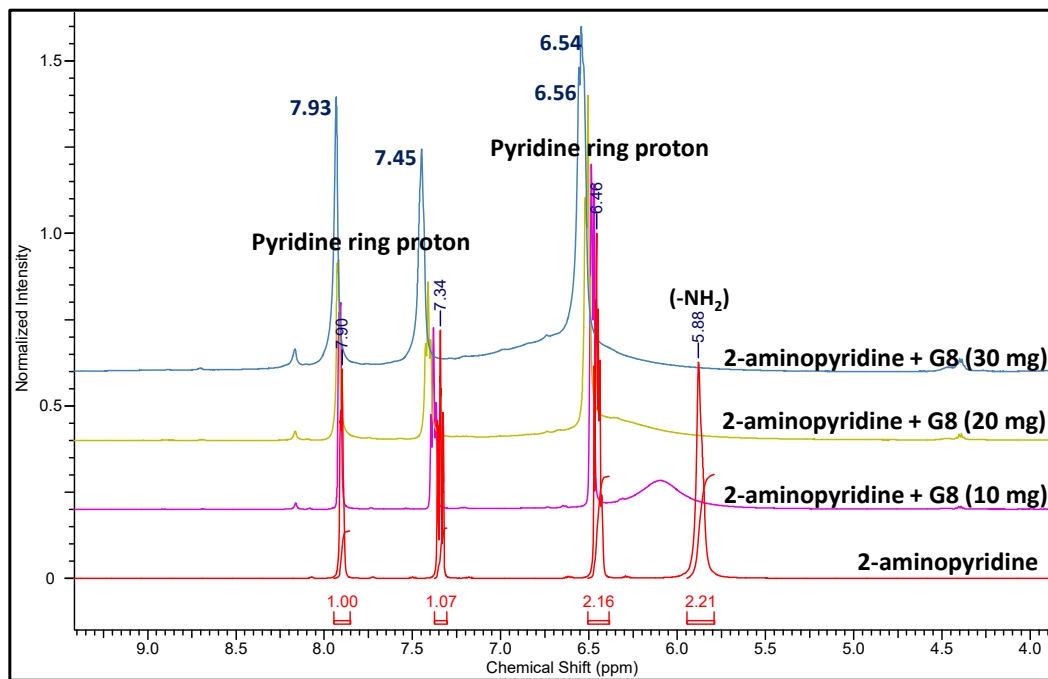


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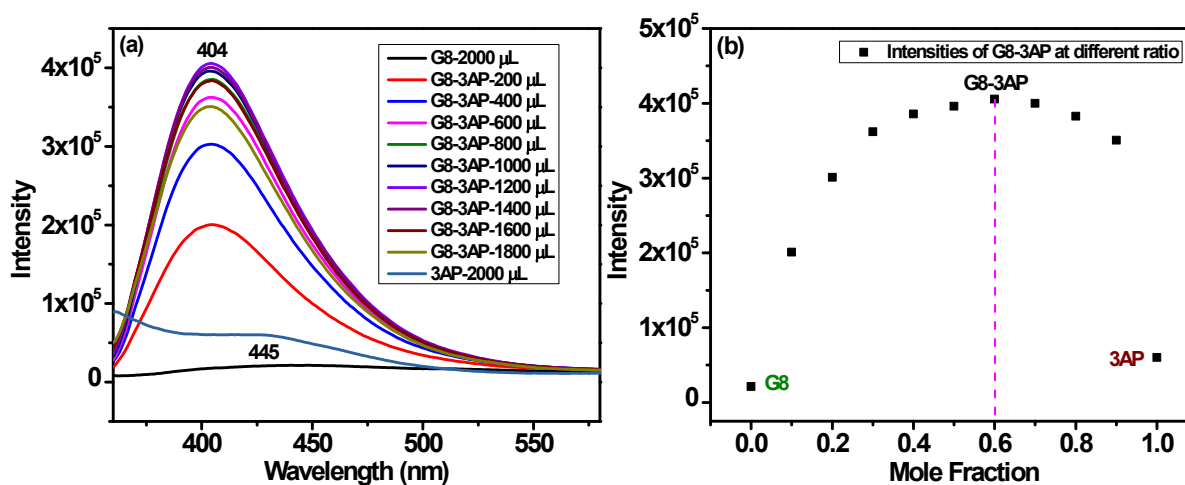


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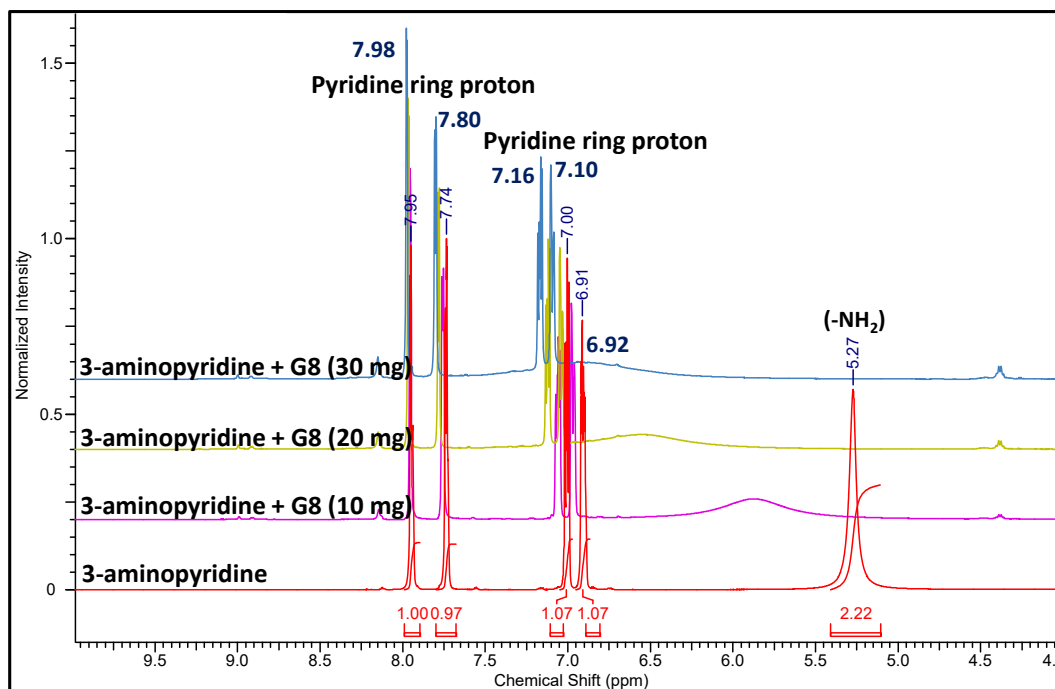


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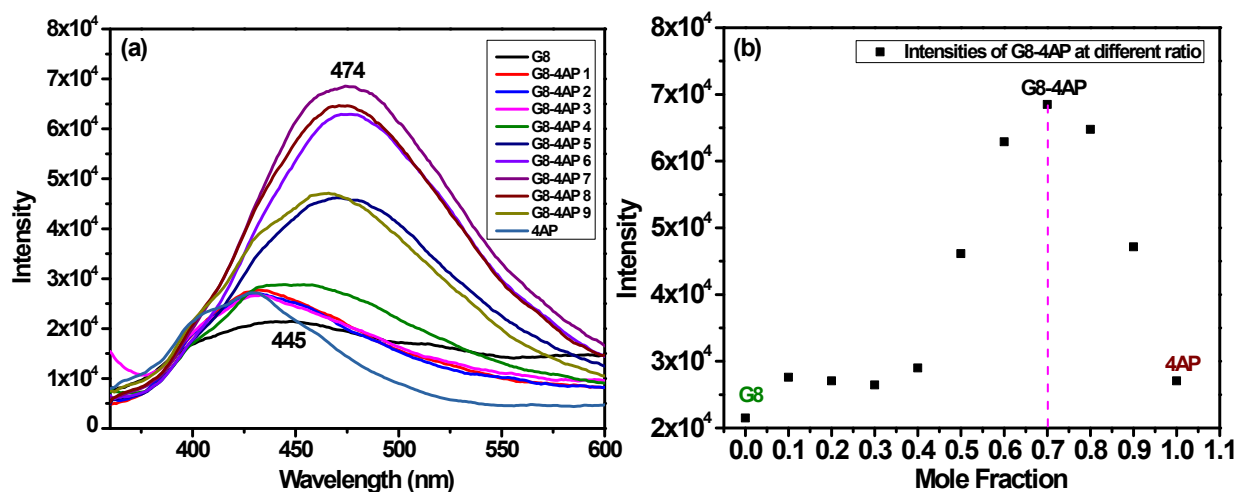


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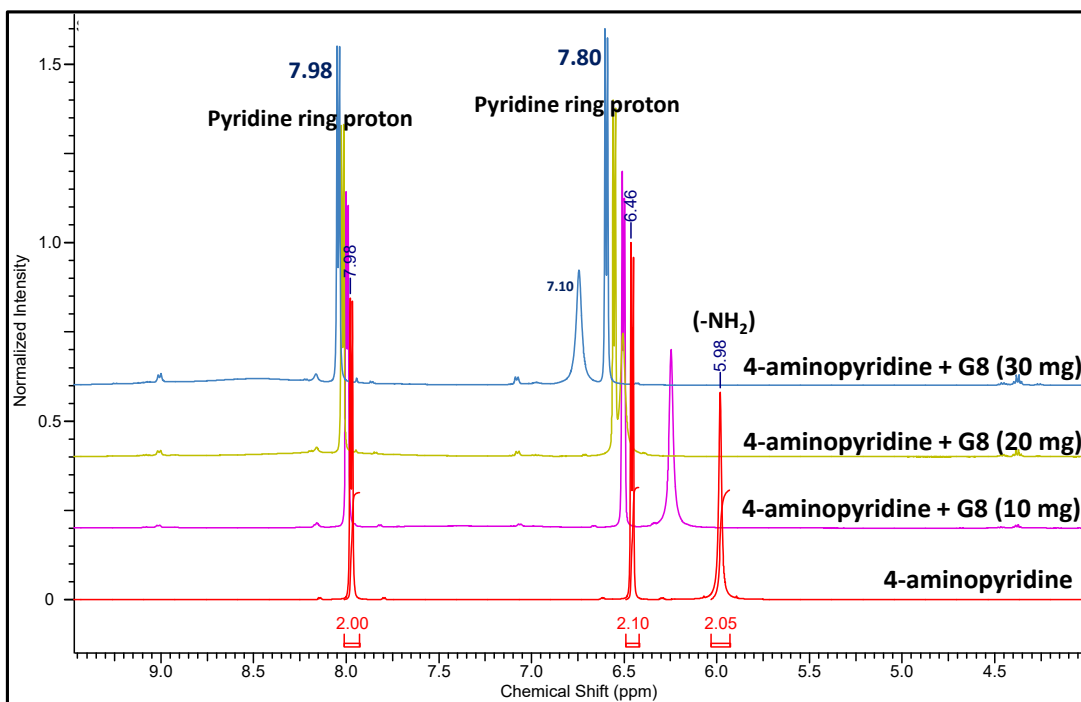


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2-AP (212 mM)	G8 (60 mM)	G8 (120 mM)	G8 (180 mM)
7.90 ppm (aromatic)	7.91	7.93	7.93
7.34 ppm (aromatic)	7.38	7.41	7.45
6.46 ppm (aromatic)	6.49	6.51	6.54
5.88 ppm (-NH₂)	6.10	6.50	6.56
3-AP (212 mM)	G8 (60 mM)	G8 (120 mM)	G8 (180 mM)
7.95 (aromatic)	7.96	7.97	7.98
7.74 (aromatic)	7.75	7.78	7.80
7.00 (aromatic)	7.06	7.12	7.16
6.91 (aromatic)	6.98	7.05	7.10
5.27 (-NH₂)	5.86	6.55	6.92
4-AP (212 mM)	G8 (60 mM)	G8 (120 mM)	G8 (180 mM)
7.98 (aromatic)	8.00	8.01	8.05
6.46 (aromatic)	6.51	6.56	6.60
5.98 (-NH₂)	6.25	6.51	6.74

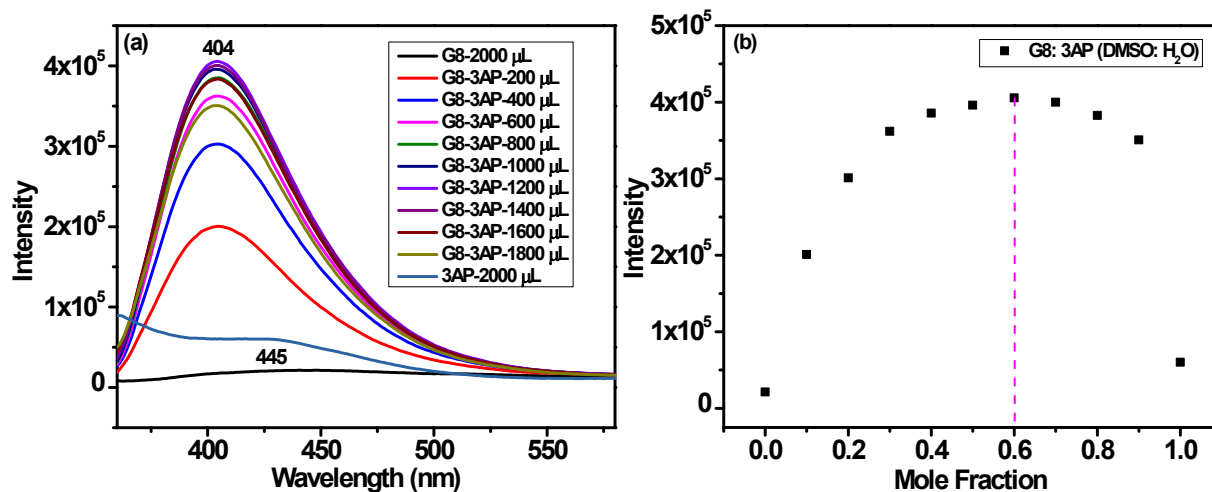


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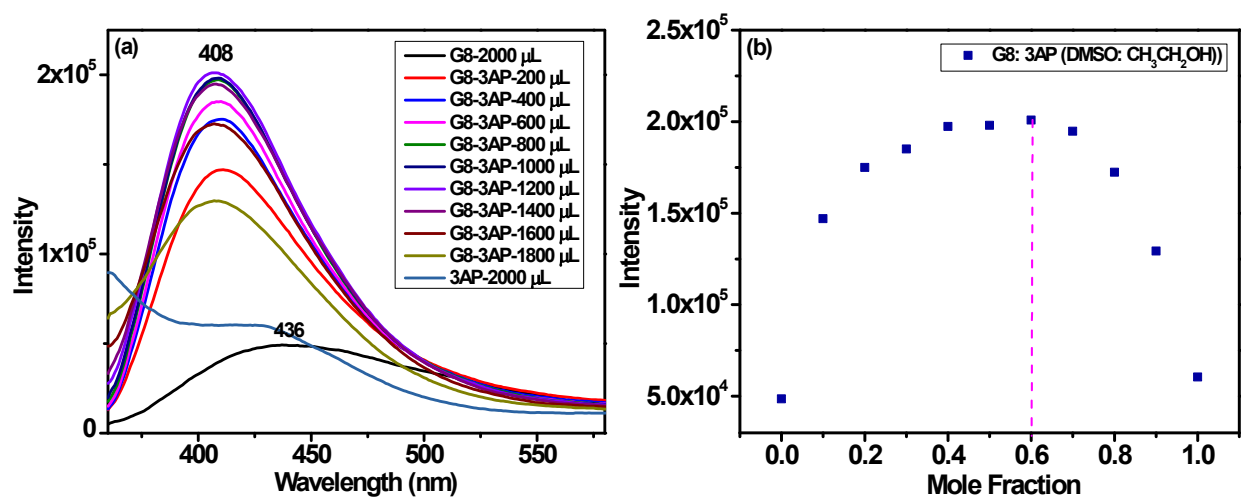


Fig. S19: (a) Fluorescence spectra of G8-3AP at different concentration ratio in DMSO: CH₃CH₂OH (b) Job's plot to shows the ratio of amount of interaction of G8-3AP at maximum intensity.

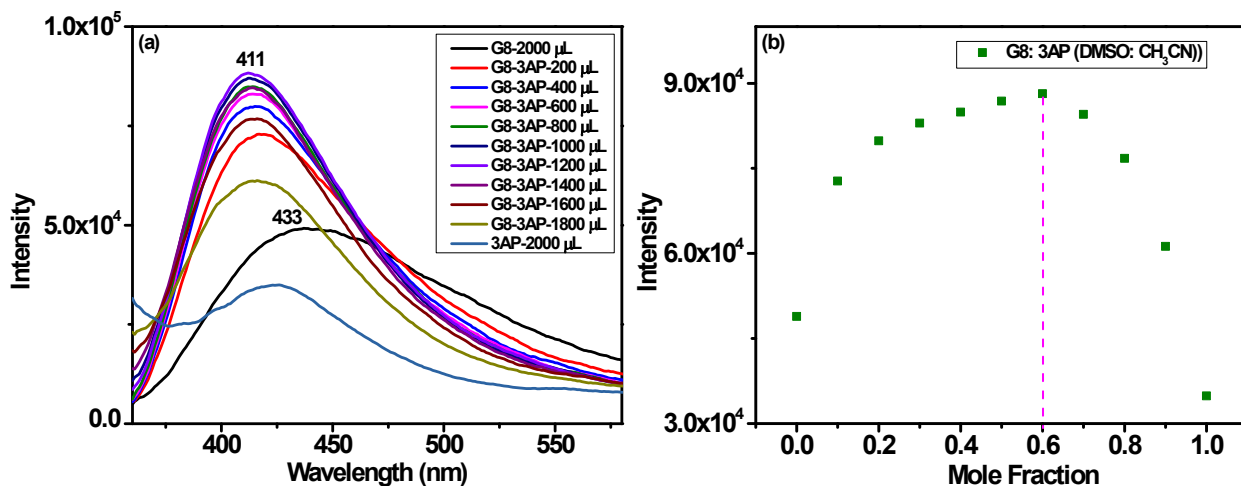


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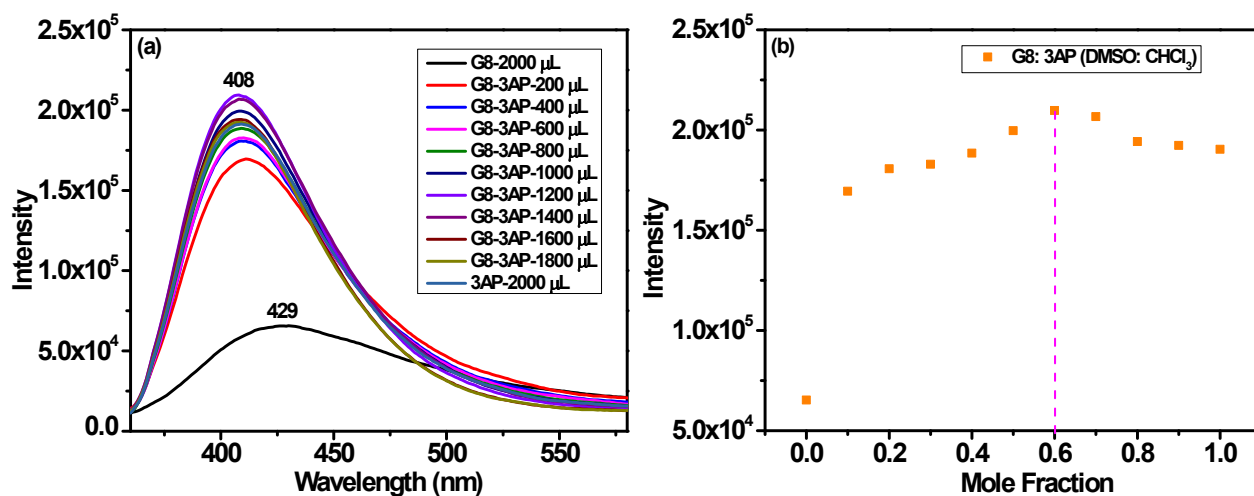


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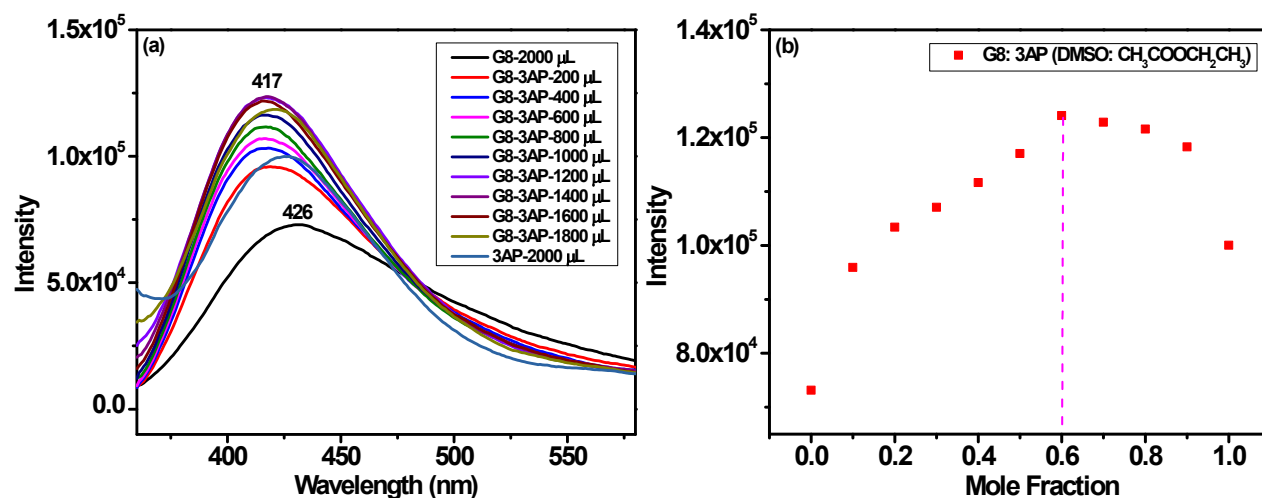


Fig. S22: (a) Fluorescence spectra of G8-3AP at different concentration ratio in DMSO: CH₃COOCH₂CH₃ (b) Job's plot to shows the ratio of amount of interaction of G8-3AP at maximum intensity.

Table S4: Bond lengths and bond angles of structure of planer **G8** molecule from DFT Data.

Molecule	Bond	Bond Length (Å)	Bond	Bond Length (Å)	Bond Name	Bond Angel (°)
G8	C1-N1	1.33	N5-C5	1.37	N3-C1-N4	115.37
	N1-C2	1.34	C5-N11	1.32	N1-C1-N4	118.67
	C2-N2	1.33	N11-N12	1.36	C1-N4-C4	127.12
	N2-C3	1.34	N12-N13	1.29	N4-C4-N10	127.22
	C3-N3	1.33	N13-N14	1.35	N2-C2-N5	115.38
	N3-C1	1.34	N14-H5	1.01	N1-C2-N5	118.67
	C1-N4	1.37	N14-C6	1.34	C2-N5-C5	127.09
	N4-H1	1.01	C3-N6	1.37	N5-C5-N14	127.20
	N4-C4	1.37	N6-H3	1.01	N3-C3-N6	115.38
	C4-N7	1.32	N6-C6	1.37	N2-C3-N6	188.66
	N7-N8	1.36	C6-N15	1.32	C3-N6-C6	127.11
	N8-N9	1.29	N15-N16	1.36	N6-C6-N18	127.20
	N9-N10	1.35	N16-N17	1.29		
	N10-H4	1.01	N17-N18	1.35		
	N10-C4	1.34	N18-H6	1.01		
	C2-N5	1.37	N18-C6	1.34		
	N5-H2	1.02				

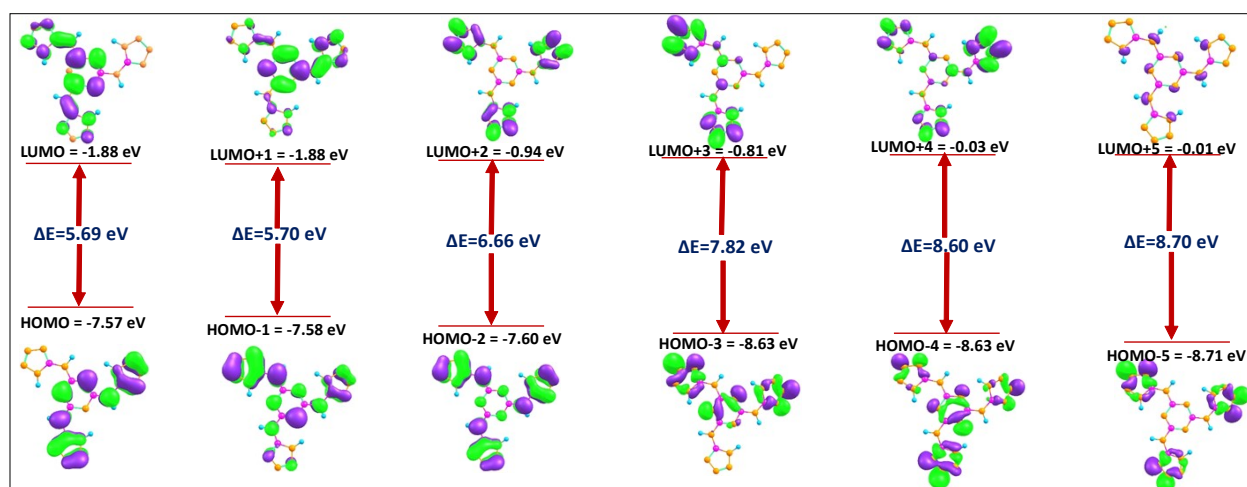


Fig. S23: HOMO-LUMO energy orbitals of gelator molecule **G8** studied by DFT analysis.

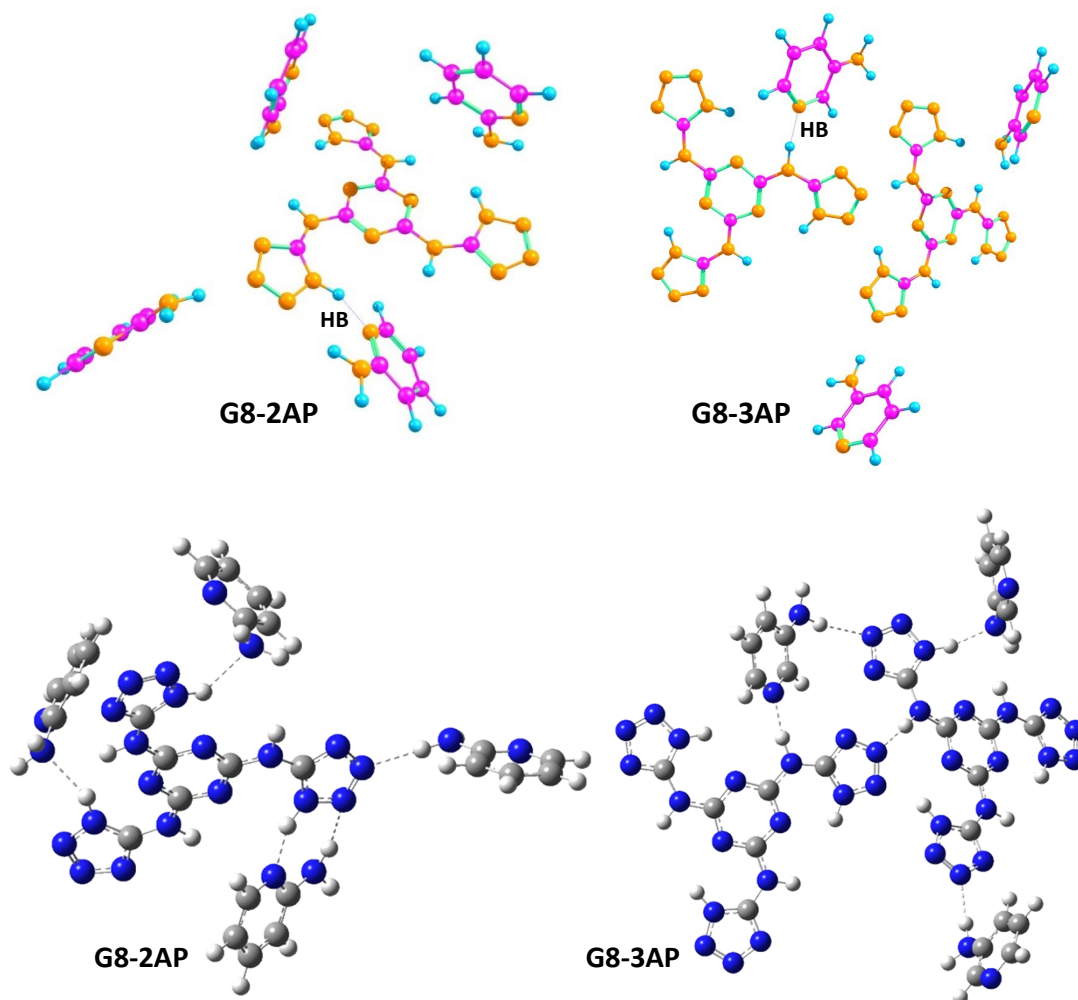


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Table S5: Comparative study of rheology of organogels **G8**, **G8-2AP**, **G8-3AP** and **G8-4AP**.

Gel	Value of storage modulus in Pa (in AS)	Value of storage modulus in Pa (in FS)	Value of storage modulus in Pa (in 3iTT)	Changes in storage modulus in Pa (From-to)
G8	2.16×10^2	2.36×10^2	3.96×10^2	3.96×10^2
G8-2AP	0.64×10^2	0.90×10^2	0.80×10^2	0.80×10^2
G8-3AP	5.02×10^3	5.14×10^3	4.46×10^3	$4.46 \times 10^3 - 7.74 \times 10^2$
G8-4AP	5.18×10^2	6.07×10^2	2.91×10^3	$2.91 \times 10^3 - 1.91 \times 10^3$

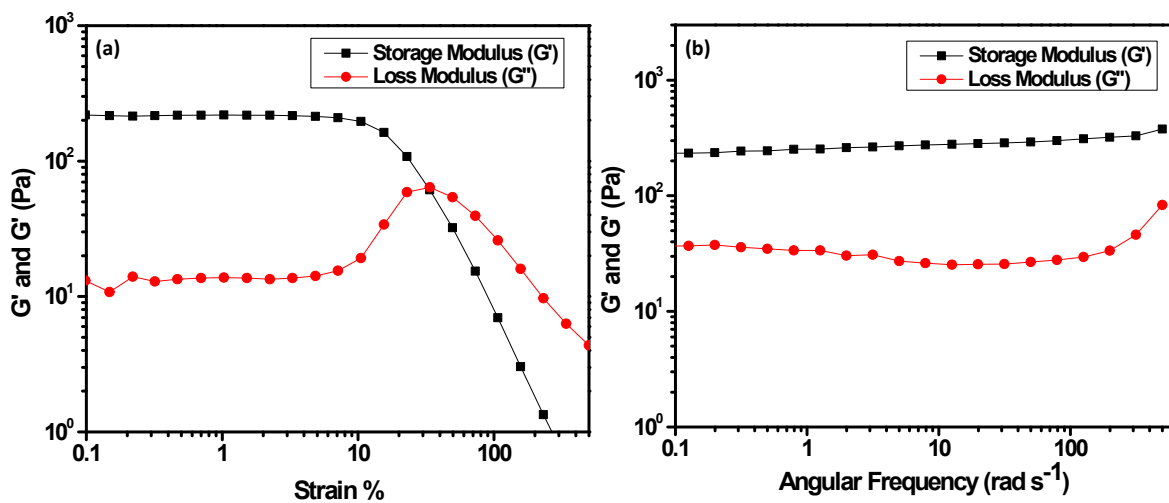


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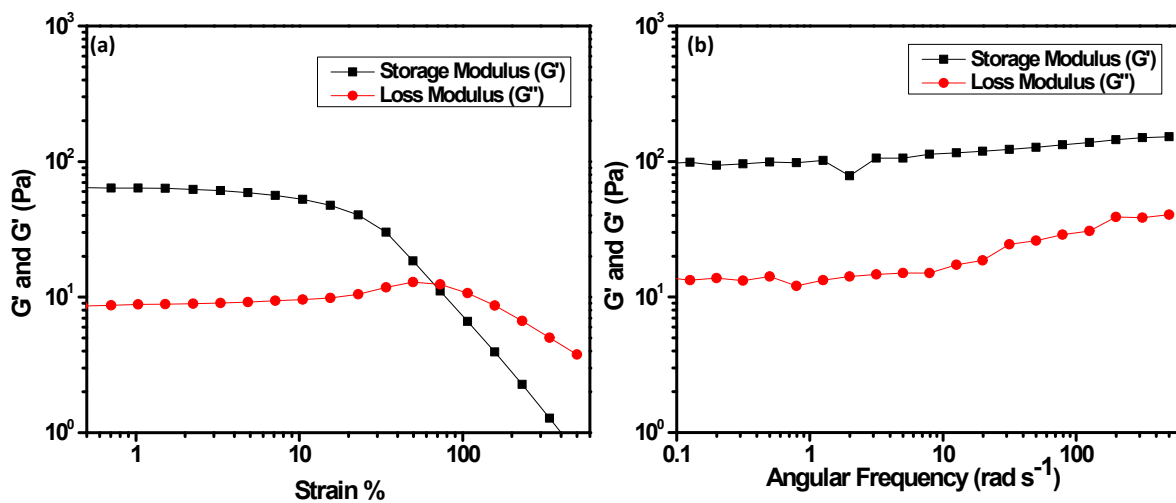


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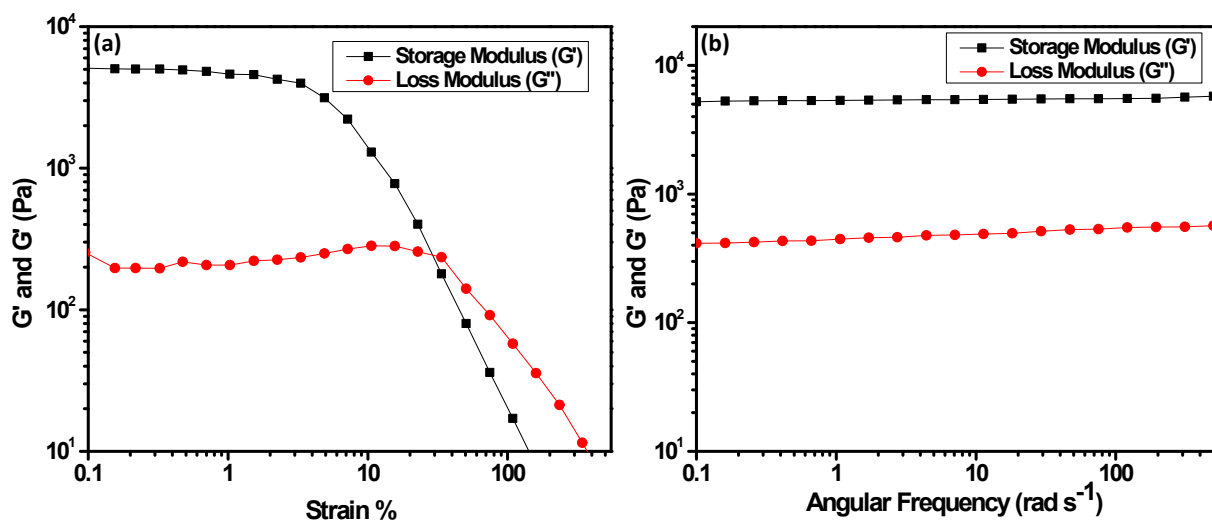


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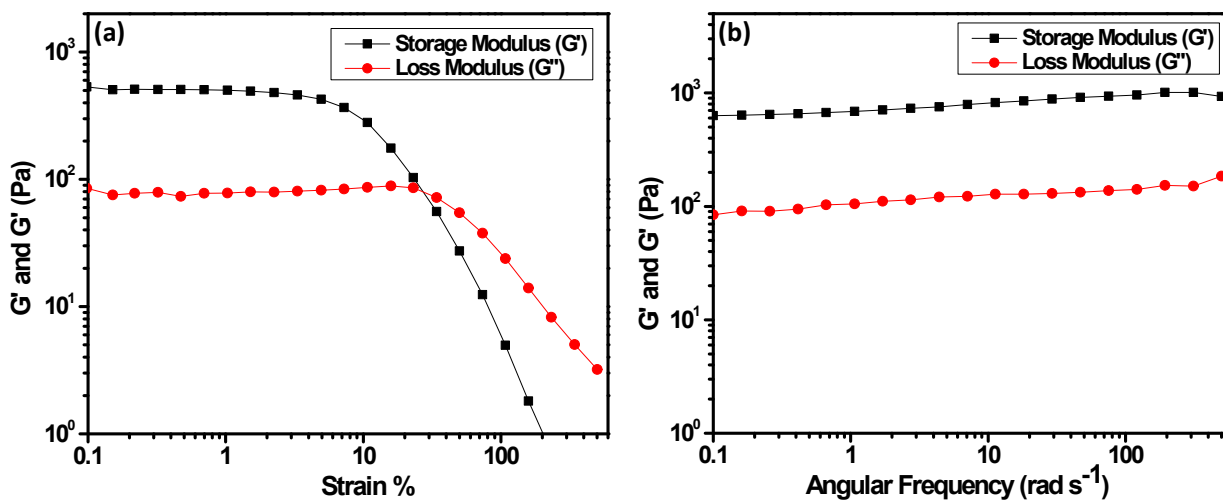


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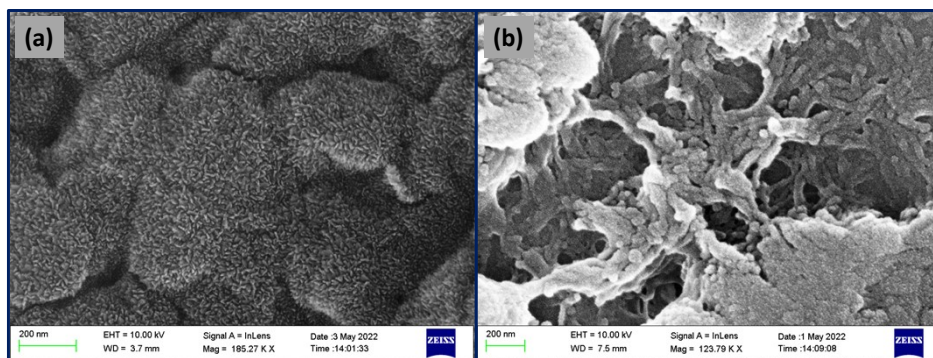


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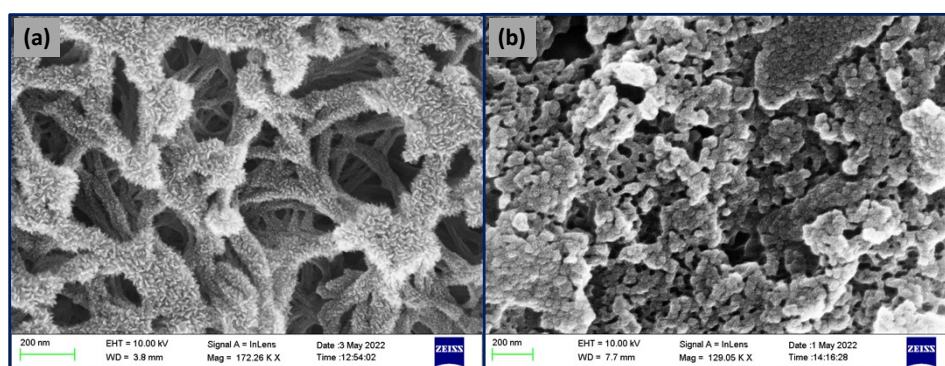


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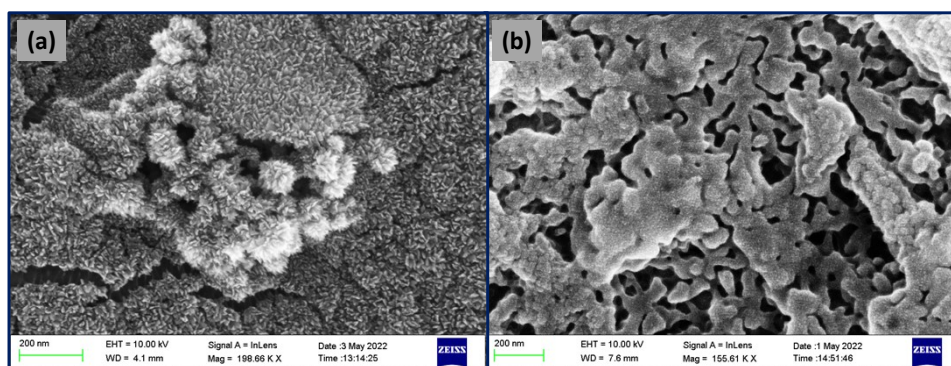


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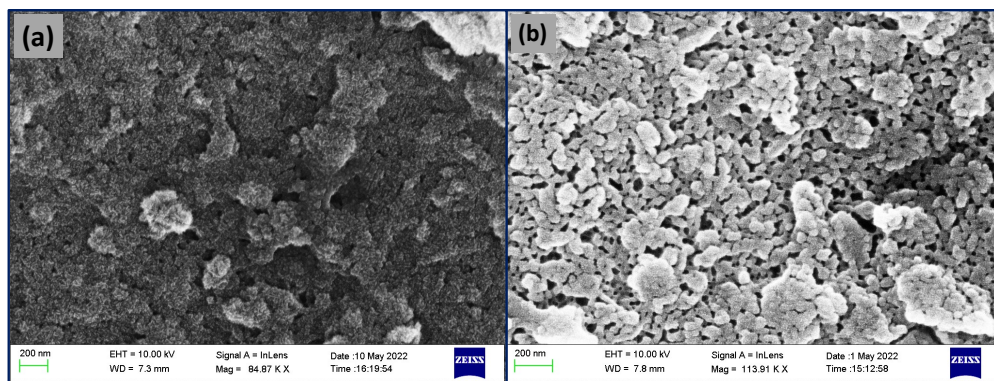


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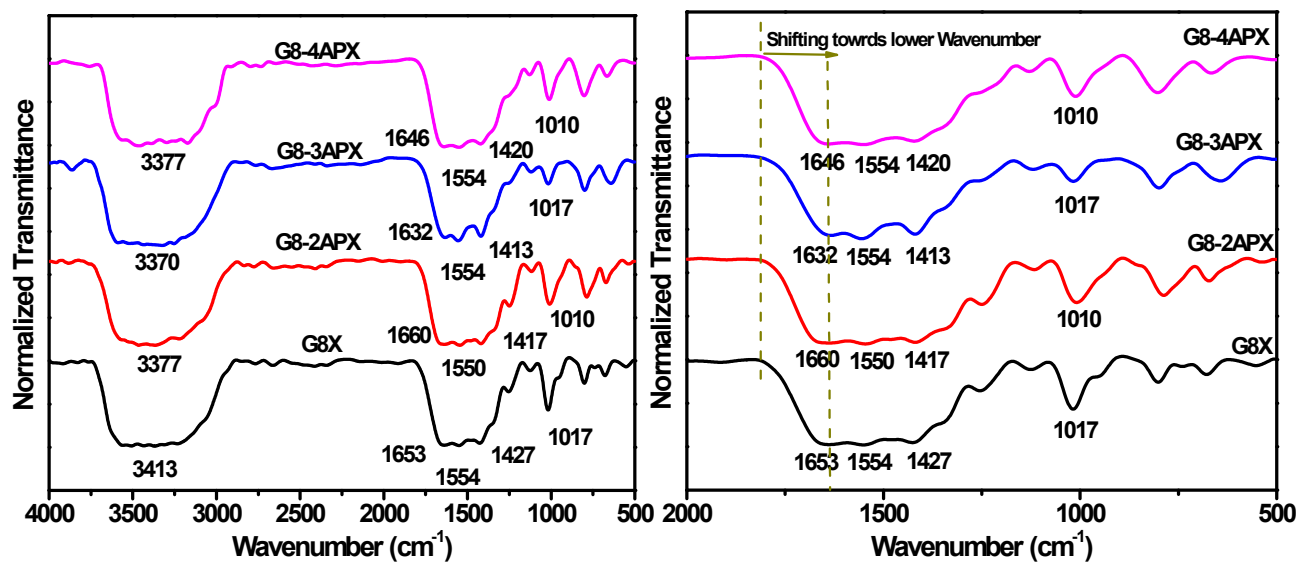
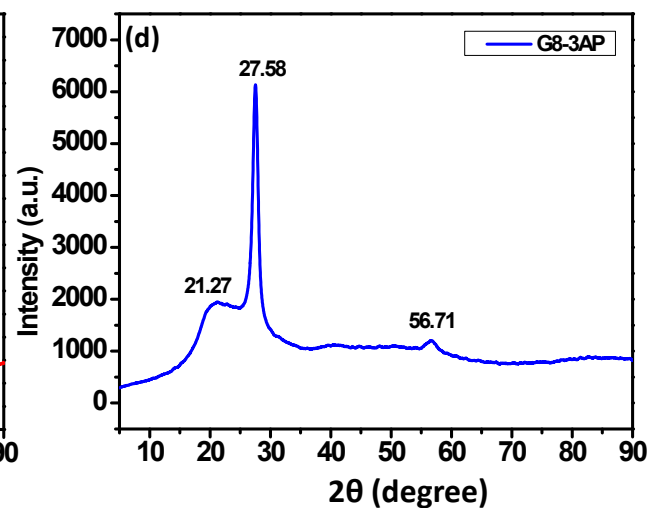
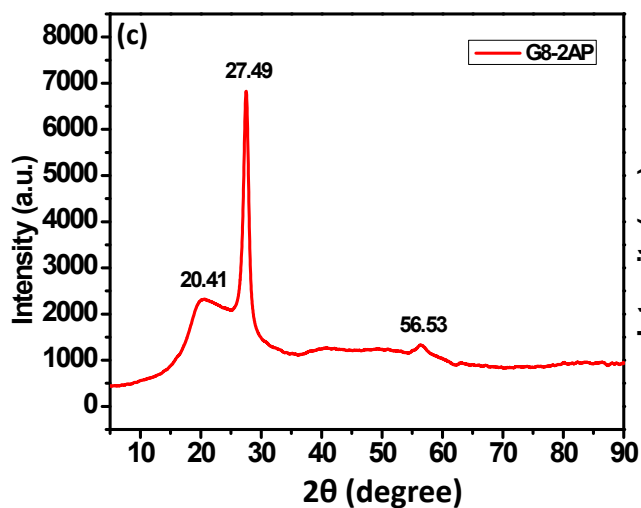
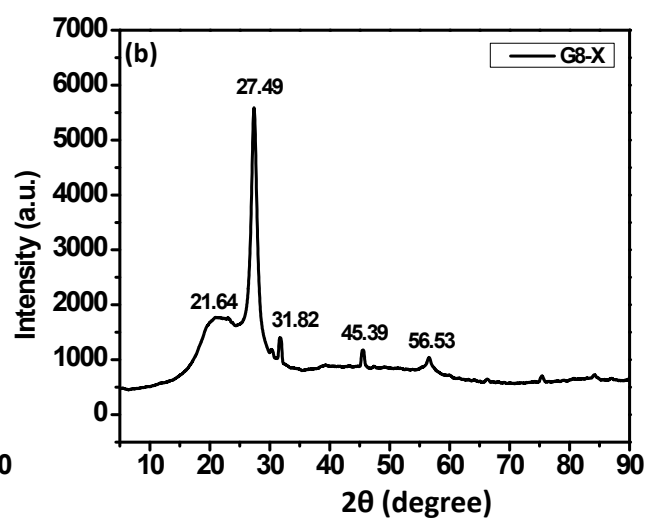
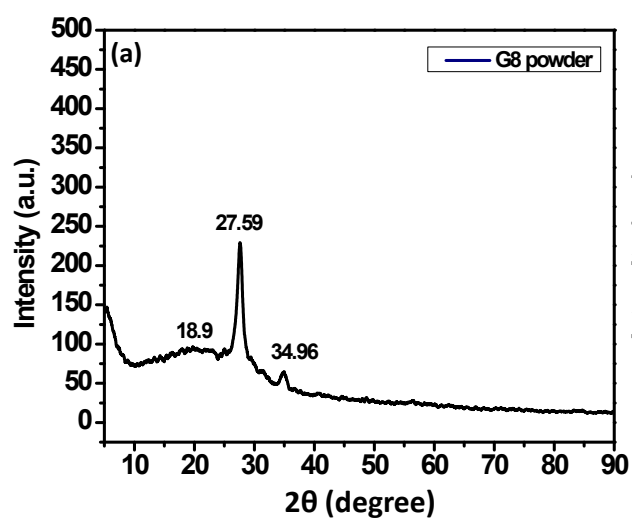


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Gel	N-H Stretching (cm ⁻¹)	N-H Bending (cm ⁻¹)	C-N Stretching (aromatic amine) (cm ⁻¹)	C-N Stretching (amine) (cm ⁻¹)	C=N Stretching (imine) (cm ⁻¹)
G8-X	3413	1653	1427	1017	1554
G8-2AP	3377	1660	1427	1010	1550
G8-3AP	3370	1632	1413	1017	1554
G8-4AP	3377	1646	1420	1010	1554



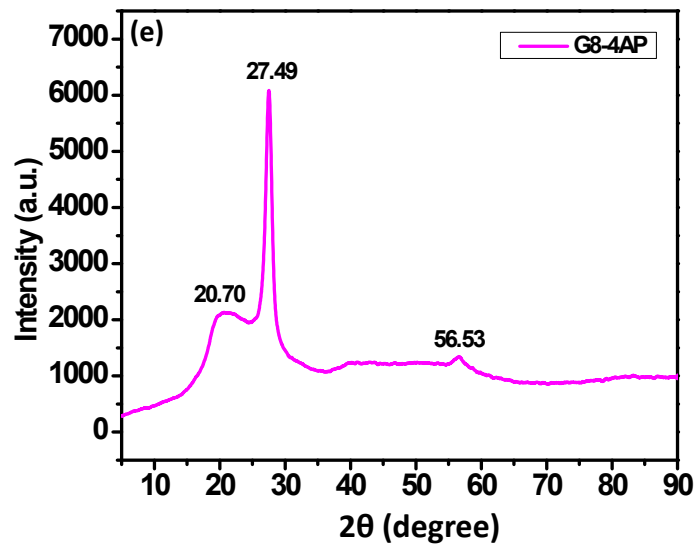
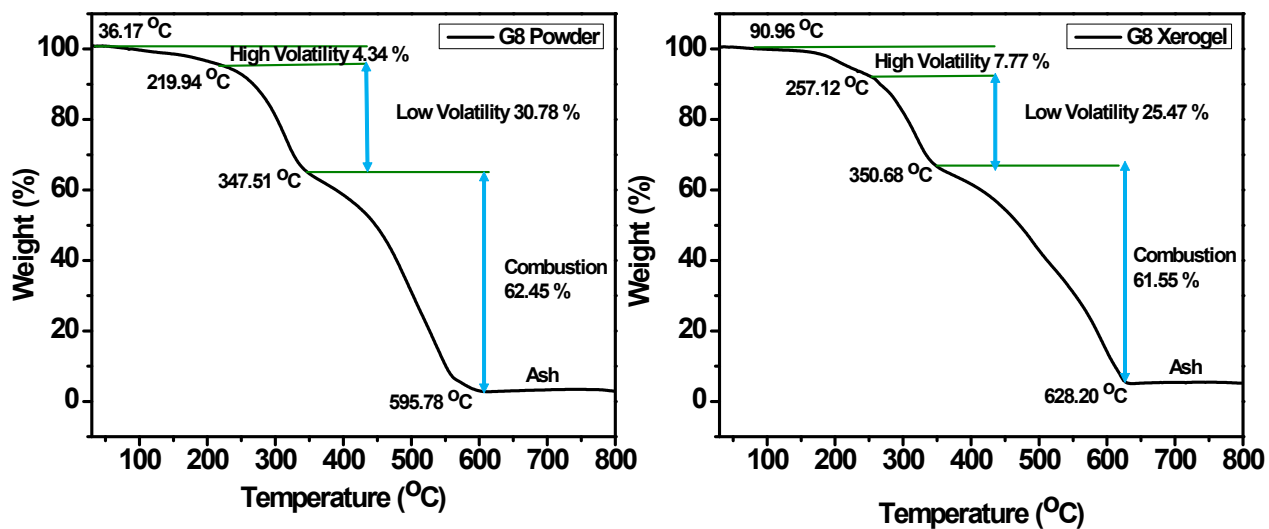


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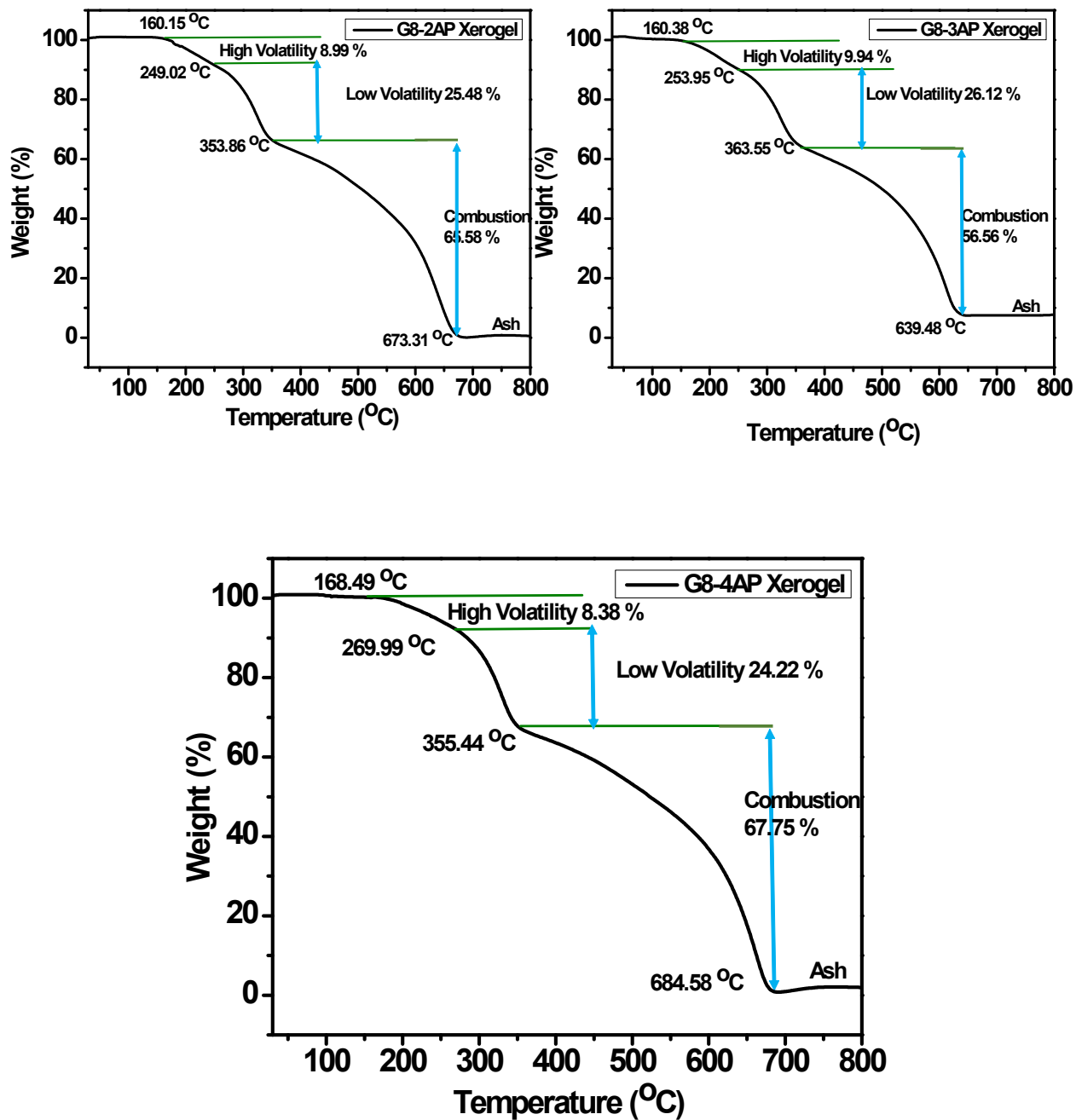


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