

**Supplementary Information for  
Fusion of Capsules to Produce Liquid-Filled Monoliths for Carbon  
Capture**

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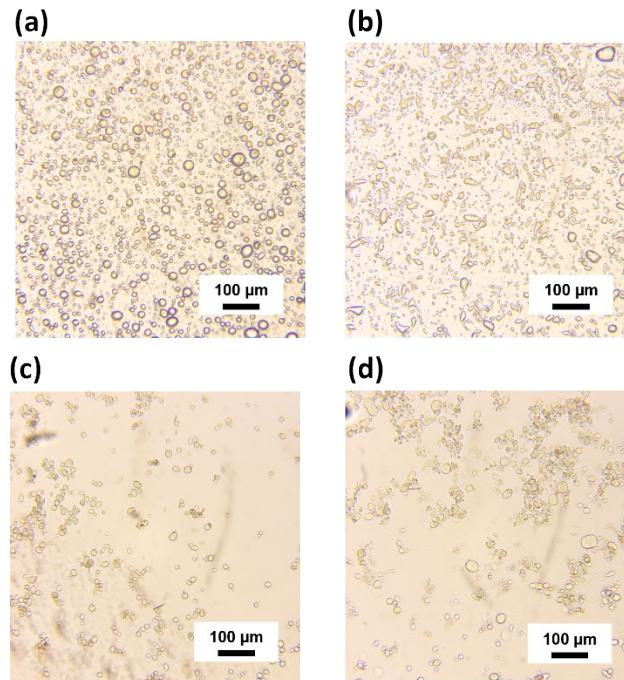
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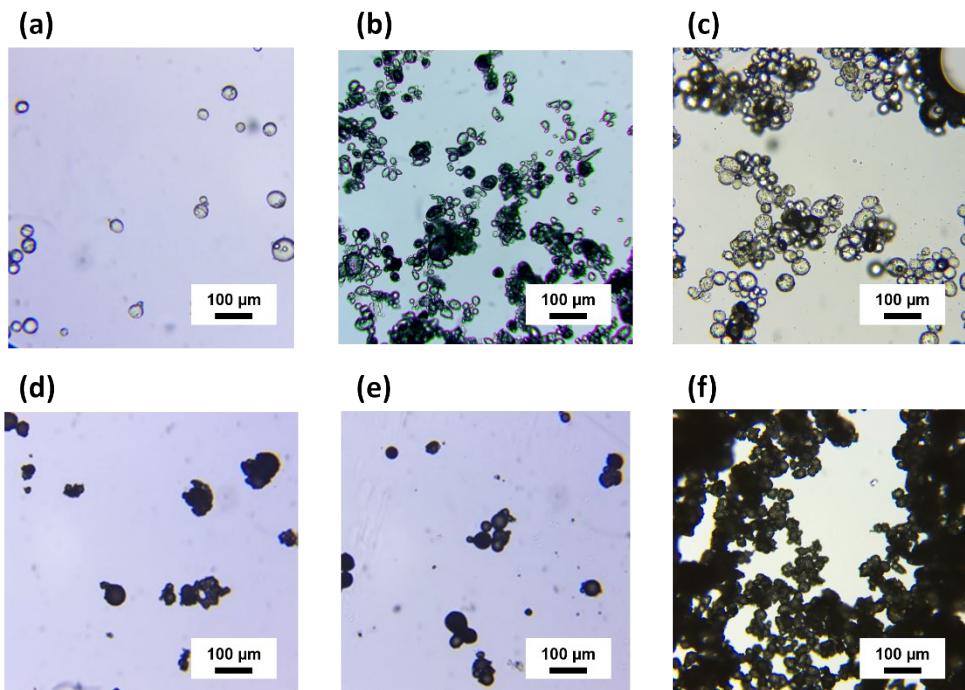
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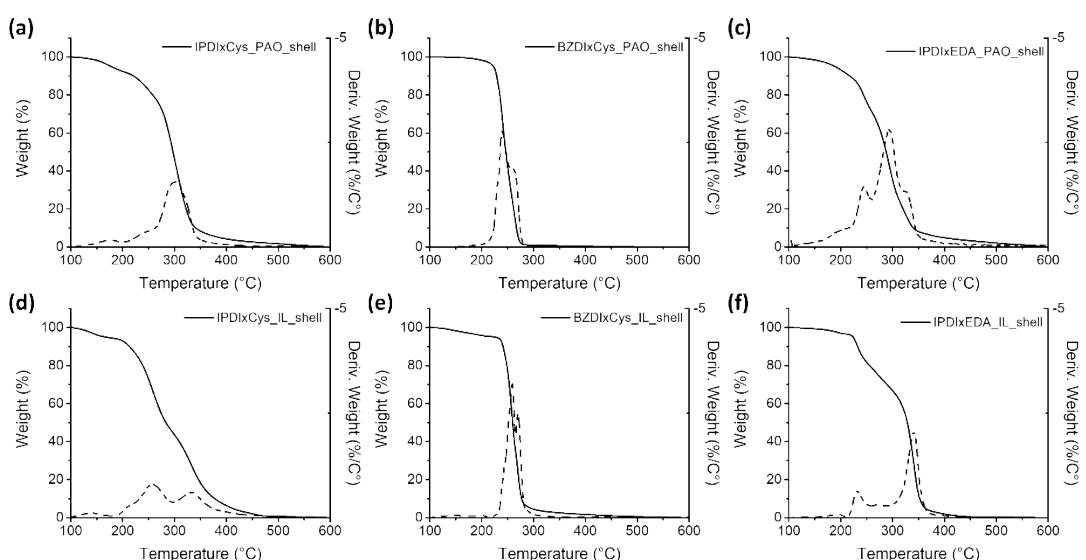
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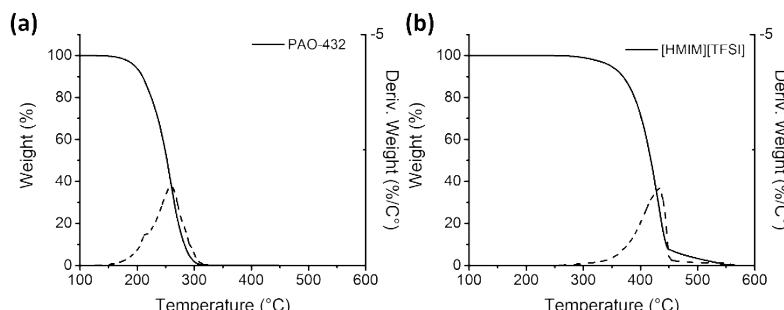
**Fig. S1** Optical microscope images of emulsions: (a) IPDI+PAO-in-water, (b) BZDI+PAO-in-water, (c) Cys+IL-in-octane, and (d) EDA+IL-in-octane.



**Fig. S2** Optical microscopy images of capsules: (a) IPDIxCys\_PAO, (b) BZDIxCys\_PAO, and (c) IPDIxEDA\_PAO redispersed in water. (d) IPDIxCys\_IL, (e) BZDIxCys\_IL, and (f) IPDIxEDA\_IL redispersed in hexanes.



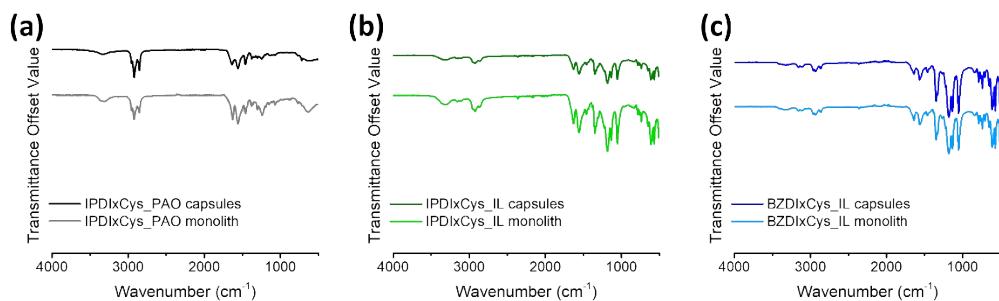
**Fig. S3** TGA weight loss profiles of capsule shells: (a) IPDIxCys\_PAO, (b) BZDIxCys\_PAO, (c) IPDIxEDA\_PAO, (d) IPDIxCys\_IL, (e) BZDIxCys\_IL, and (f) IPDIxEDA\_IL.



**Fig. S4** TGA weight loss profiles of (a) PAO-432 and (b) [HMIM][TFSI].

**Table S1** Summary of DTG peaks (unit: °C).

	IPDIxCys_PAO	BZDIxCys_PAO	IPDIxEDA_PAO	IPDIxCys_IL	BZDIxCys_IL	IPDIxEDA_IL
Capsule	245 339	264	259 350	269, 398, 430	223, 272, 434, 464	311, 450, 471
Shell	171, 246, 304	242, 261	200, 245, 293, 329	142, 219, 258, 332	259, 270	193, 232, 341
Core	260			432		

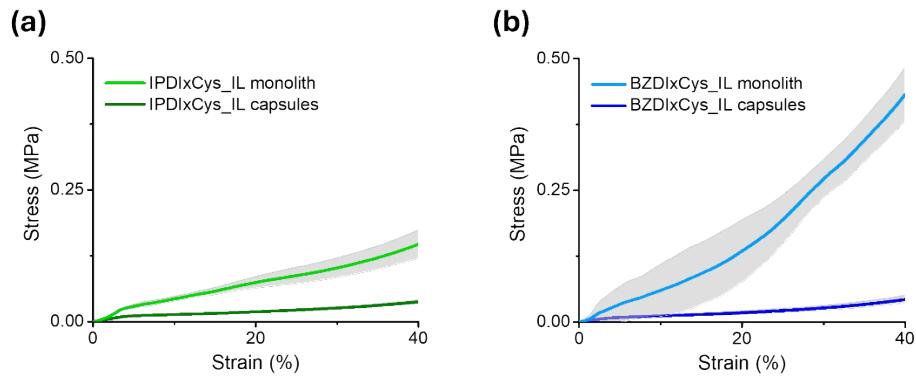


**Fig. S5** Offset of IR spectra of (a) IPDIxCys\_PAO, (b) IPDIxCys\_IL, and (c) BZDIxCys\_IL capsules and monoliths.

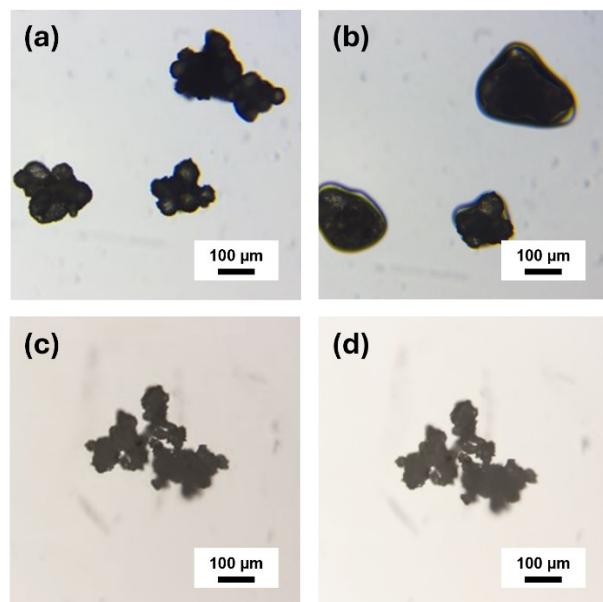
#### Solid-state Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR) Characterization:

$$g = \frac{h\nu}{\beta B}$$

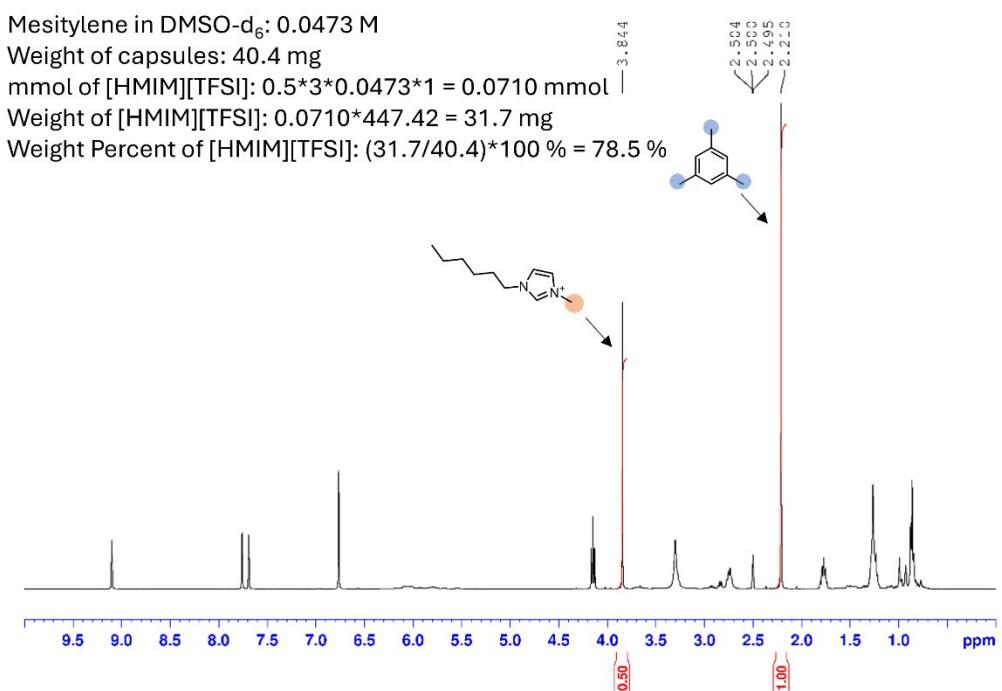
The basic formula for calculating the g-value in EPR spectroscopy is  $g = \frac{h\nu}{\beta B}$  (Eq. S1), where  $h$  represents Planck's constant ( $6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{Hz}^{-1}$ ),  $\nu$  is the microwave frequency ( $9.357 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}$ ),  $\beta$  is the Bohr magneton ( $9.274 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J} \cdot \text{T}^{-1}$ ), and  $B$  is the magnetic field strength (in Tesla).



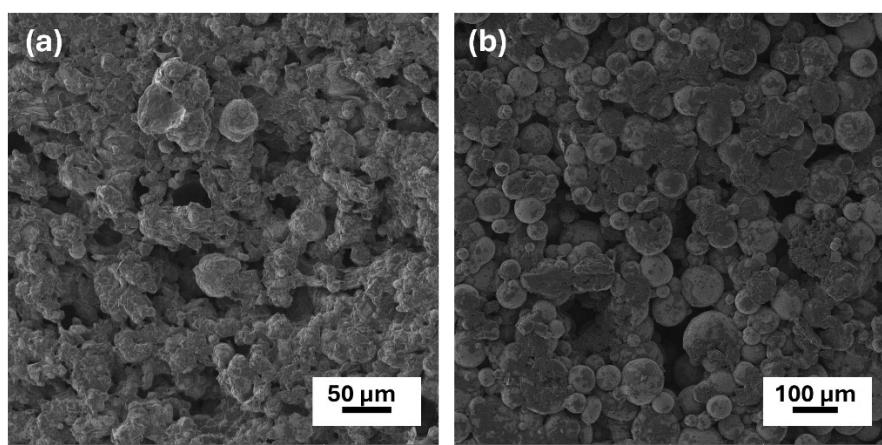
**Fig. S6** Stress-strain curves from compression tests of (a) IPDIxCys\_IL and (b) BZDIxCys\_IL compact capsules and fused monoliths. The Shaded area indicates the standard deviation ( $n=3$ ).



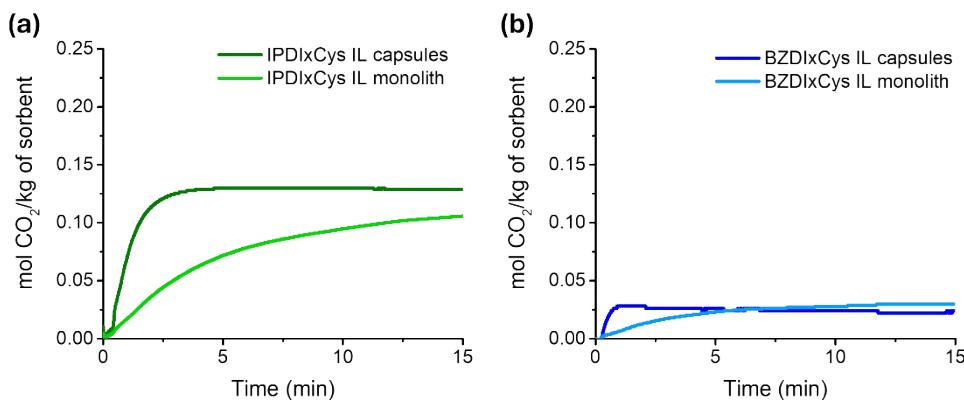
**Fig. S7** Optical microscopy images of IPDIxCys\_IL capsules at (a) 22 and (b) 100 °C; IPDIxEDA\_IL capsules at (a) 22 °C and (b) 100 °C for 10 minutes.



**Fig. S8** A representative <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the extractant from IPDIxCys\_IL monolith using DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> and mesitylene as the internal standard. Integration was used to calculate wt% of the IL.



**Fig. S9** Monoliths washed with acetone: (a) IPDIxCys\_IL and (b) BZDIxCys\_IL.

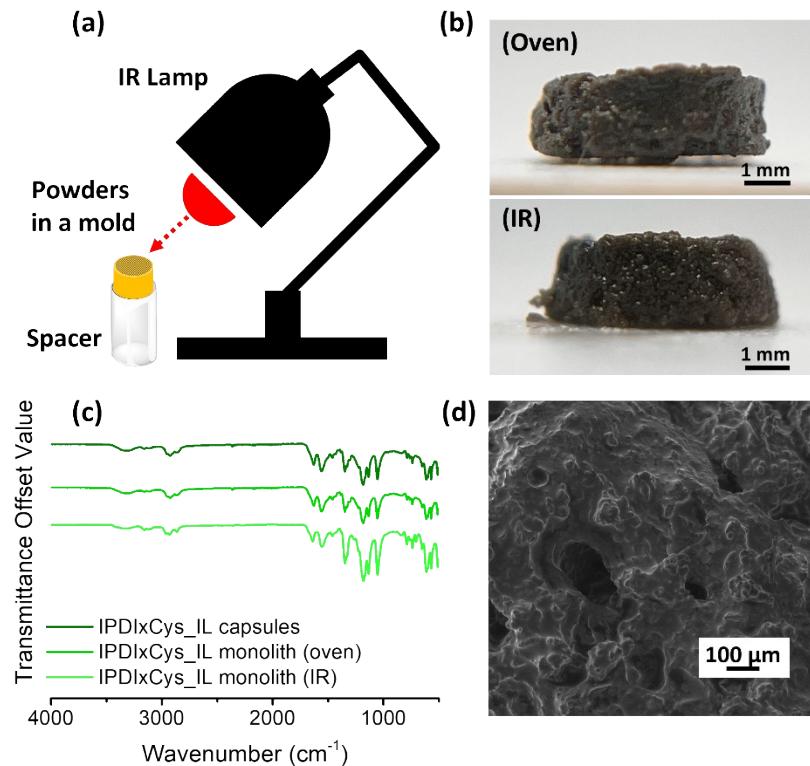


**Fig. S10** Preliminary CO<sub>2</sub> absorption tests of (a) IPDIxCys\_IL and (b) BZDIxCys\_IL.

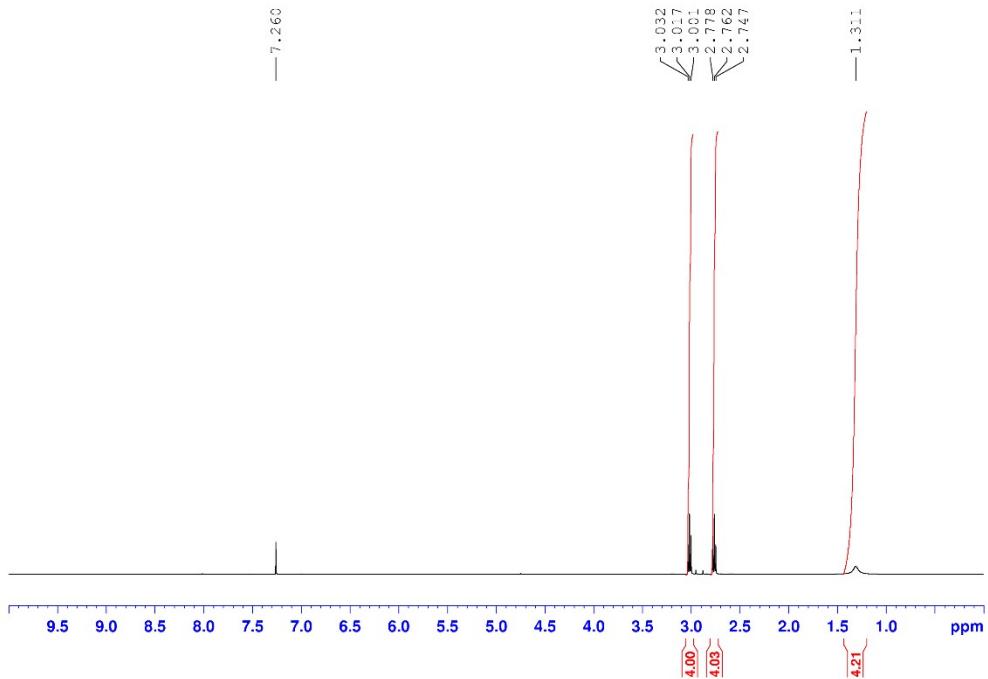
**Table S2** Comparison of CO<sub>2</sub> capacity of analogues systems containing polymeric capsules with ionic liquid cores.

Shell	Core	Conditions	CO <sub>2</sub> Capacity (mol/kg)	Reference
Responsive disulfide Polyurea	[HMIM][TFSI]	1 bar, 25 °C	0.12	This work
Polyurea	[HMIM][TFSI]	1 bar, 20 °C	0.068	<i>Ind. Eng. Chem. Res.</i> , 2019, <b>58</b> , 10503–10509.
	[BMIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	1 bar, 20 °C	0.025–0.065	<i>J. Polym. Sci.</i> , 2021, <b>59</b> , 2980–2989.
	[EMIM][2-CNpyr] + 1,3-propandiol	1 bar, 25 °C	1.40	<i>ACS Sustain. Chem. Eng.</i> , 2024, <b>12</b> , 7882–7893.
	[EMIM][2-CNpyr] + diethylene glycol		1.03	
	[BMIM][BF <sub>4</sub> ]	1 bar, 25 °C	0.2	<i>ACS Appl. Eng. Mater.</i> , 2024, <b>2</b> , 1298–1305.
	[BMIM][BF <sub>4</sub> ] + piperazine		0.4	
	[EMIM][2-CNpyr]	1 bar, 25 °C	3.0	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> , 2020, <b>12</b> , 19184–19193.
	[EMIM][2-CNpyr]0.5[TFSI]0.5		0.9	
	[EMIM][2-CNpyr]0.5[TCM]0.5		1.3	
Polysulfone	[EMIM][TFSI]	1 bar, 25 °C	0.90	<i>Environ. Chall.</i> , 2021, <b>4</b> , 100109.

	[BMIM][TFSI]		0.84	
	[HMIM][TFSI]		0.79	
	[BMIM][TFSI] + Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	4 bar, 45 °C	1.3	<i>J. Environ. Chem. Eng.</i> , 2021, <b>9</b> (1), 104781.
	[EMIM][TFSI]	4.3 bar, 45 °C	1.22	<i>Heliyon</i> , 2023, <b>9</b> (2), e13298.
Poly(vinylidene fluoride-co-hexafluoropropylene)	[EMIM][TFSI]	5 bar, 23 °C	0.465	<i>J. Chem. Eng.</i> , 2018, <b>354</b> , 753–757.
	[HMIM][TFSI]		0.565	
Polystyrene	[BMIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	1 bar, 25°C	0.45	<i>Mater. Chem. Phys.</i> , 2020, <b>251</b> , 122982.
Acrylic-based Polymer	[EMIM][TFO]	4 bar, 45 °C	1.2	<i>J. Mol. Liq.</i> , 2023, <b>385</b> , 122394.
Acrylic-based Polymer	NDIL0231	Not reported	~1.8	<i>Energy Procedia</i> , 2017, <b>114</b> , 860–865.
Poly(3-[Tris(trimethylsiloxy)silyl]propyl methacrylate)	NDIL0231	0.19 bar, 25°C	~0.5	<i>Faraday Discuss.</i> , 2016, <b>192</b> , 271.

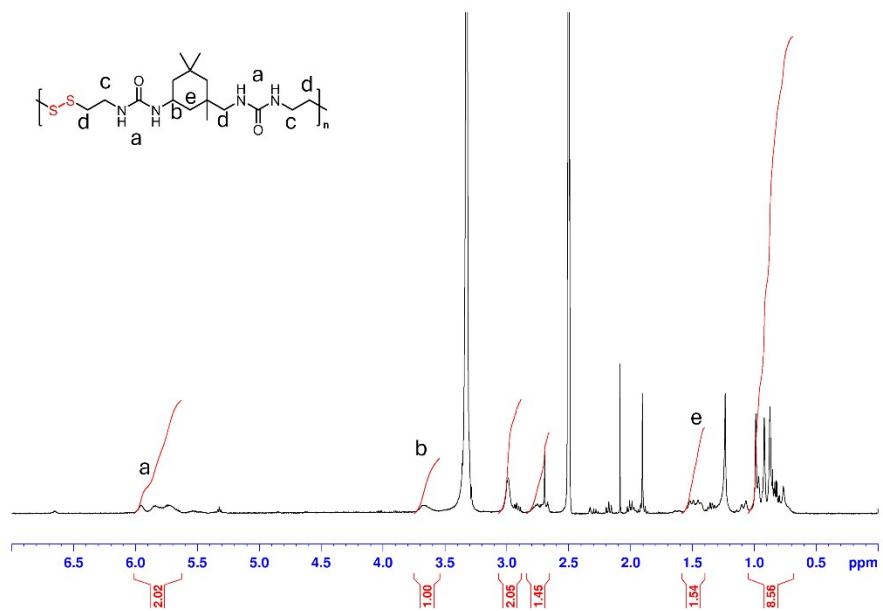


**Fig. S11** (a) Schematic of the IR fusion experiment setup. (b) IPDIxCys\_IL monoliths prepared using an oven (top) and IR lamp (bottom). (c) Offset of IR spectra of IPDIxCys\_IL capsules and monoliths prepared using an oven and IR lamp. (d) SEM image of the IPDIxCys\_IL monolith cross-section fused using an IR lamp.



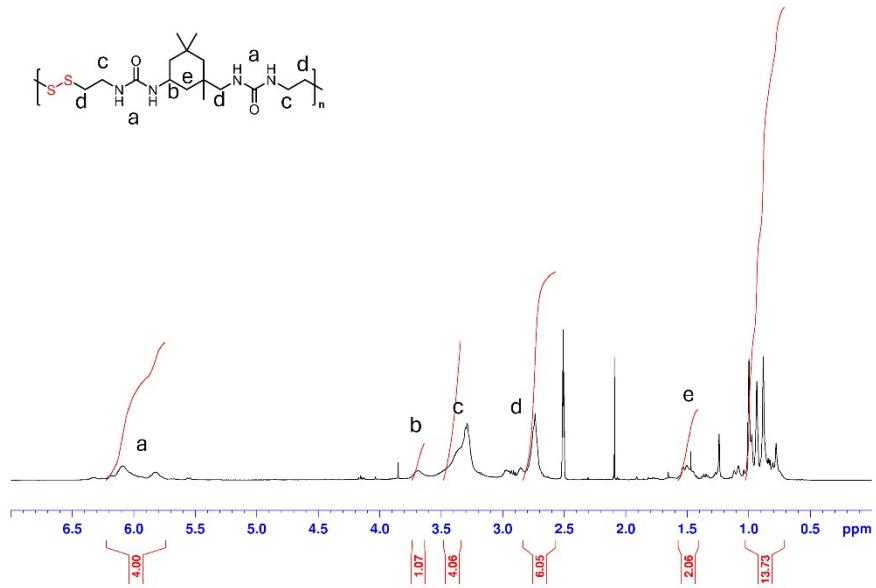
**Fig. S12**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of cystamine.

**Aqueous Emulsion**



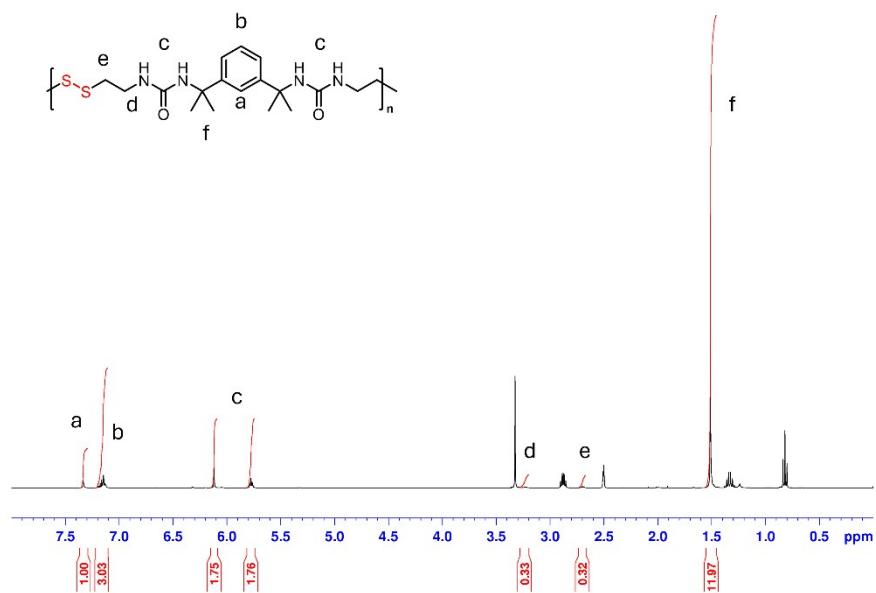
**Fig. S13**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the IPDIxCys\_PAO shell in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .

**Non-Aqueous Emulsion**



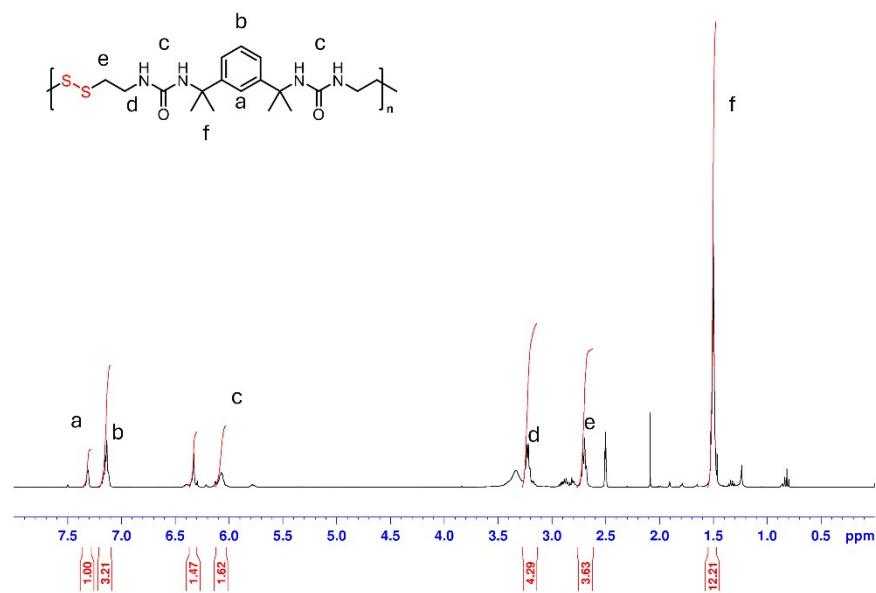
**Fig. S14**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the IPDIxCys\_IL shell in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .

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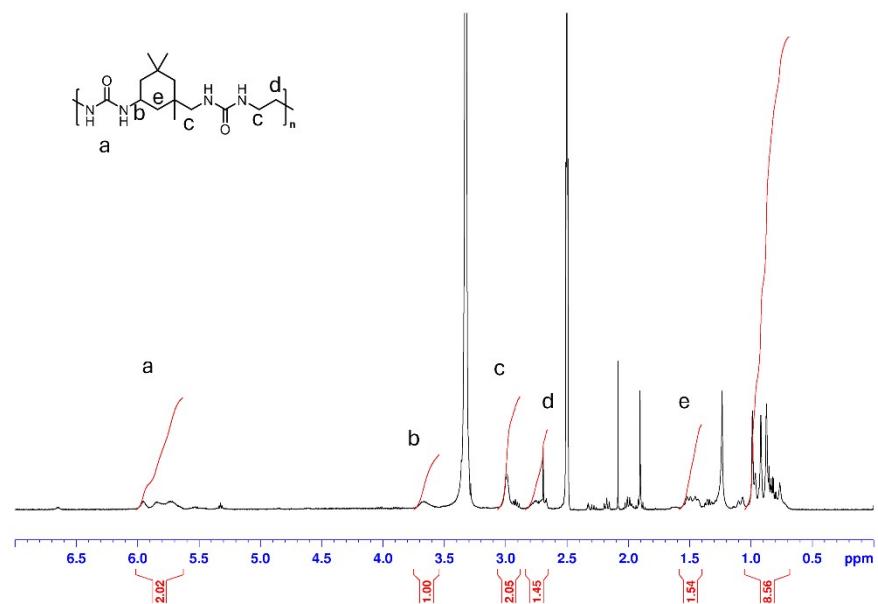
**Fig. S15**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the BZDlxCys\_PAO shell in DMSO- $d_6$ .

**Non-Aqueous Emulsion**



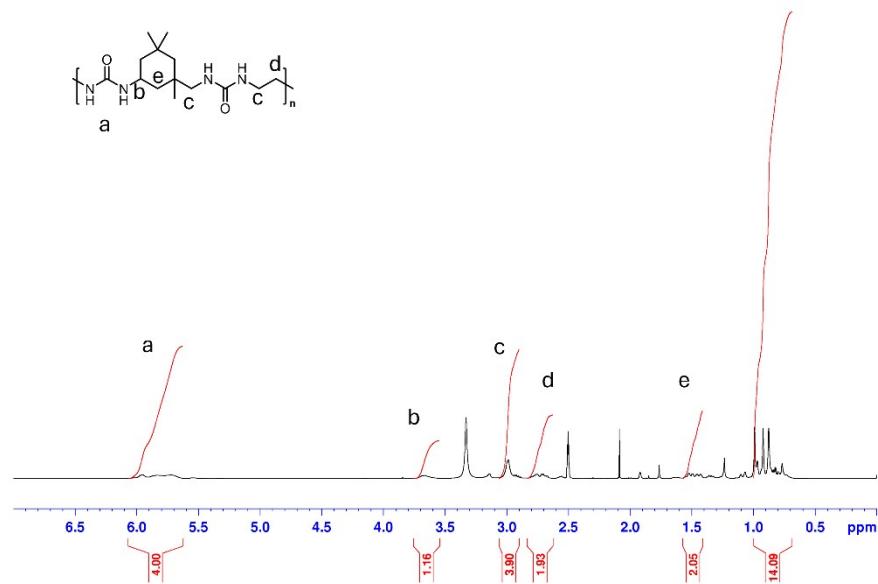
**Fig. S16**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the BZDlxCys\_IL shell in DMSO- $d_6$ .

**Aqueous Emulsion**



**Fig. S17**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the IPDIxEDA\_PAO shell in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .

**Non-Aqueous Emulsion**



**Fig. S18**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the IPDIxEDA\_IL shell in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .