

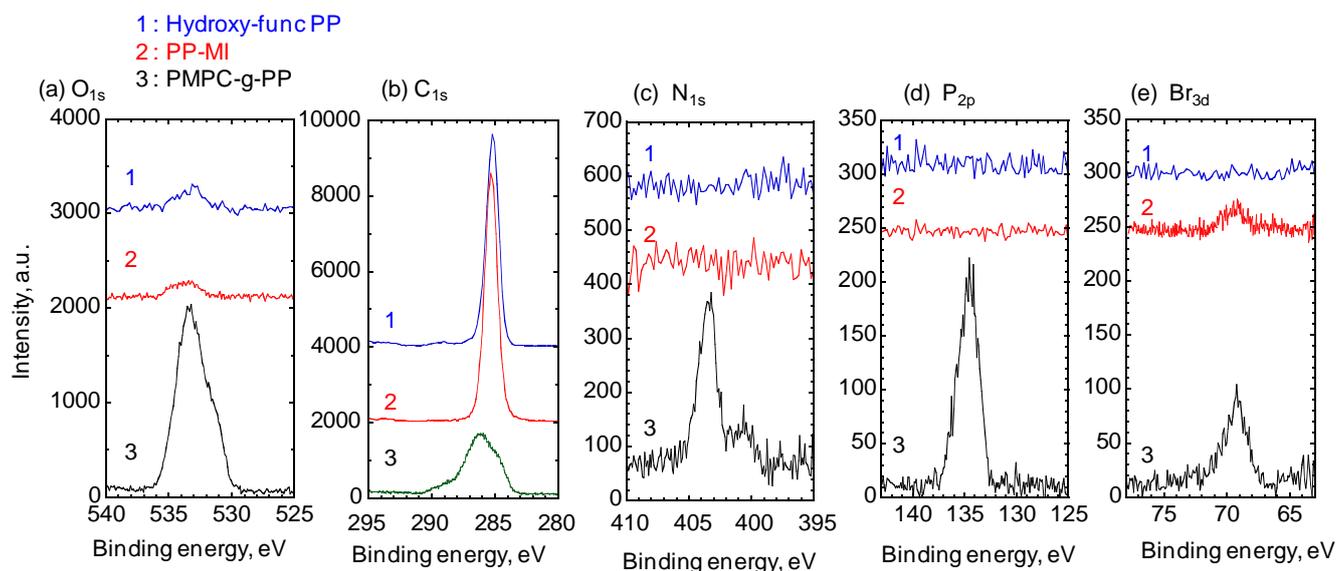
## Supplemental Information

# Direct Modification of Polyolefin Films by Surface-initiated Polymerization of a Phosphobetaine Monomer

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### 1. XPS analysis of PP-MI sheets

X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was performed at a 45° take-off angle on an XPS-APEX instrument (Physical Electronics Co. Ltd.) with a monochromatic Al-K $\alpha$  x-ray source at a power of 150 W and a pressure of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  Pa.



**Fig. S1.** XPS spectra of narrow scan for (a) oxygen, (b) carbon, (c) nitrogen, (d) phosphorus, (e) bromine of (1) hydroxyl-functionalized PP (poly(propylene-*co*-undec-10-en-1-ol)), (2) PP-MI and (3) PMPC-*g*-PP sheets.

### 3. Surface roughness observed by AFM

Atomic force microscopy (AFM) observations were carried out using a Cypher AFM system (Asylum Research, Santa Barbara, CA) using a silicon integrated tip on a commercial 160  $\mu\text{m}$  cantilever (OMCL-AC160TS, Olympus Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan) with a spring constant of 26 N/m (typical value) for AFM observation in air. The surface was scanned at a rate of  $10 \mu\text{m s}^{-1}$  in air (relative humidity 30%). Fig. S2 shows the 3D

image of the surface in  $30 \times 30 \mu\text{m}^2$ . The root-mean-square (rms) surface roughness of the PE-MI sheet was measured by atomic force microscopy in a  $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^2$  area to be approximately  $41 \times 4.6 \text{ nm}$ , whereas the rms surface roughness values for the PP-MI sheet and the glass ball were  $17 \times 1.9 \text{ nm}$  and  $2.4 \times 0.8 \text{ nm}$ , respectively. The PE sheet had a greater degree of roughness than the PP sheet.

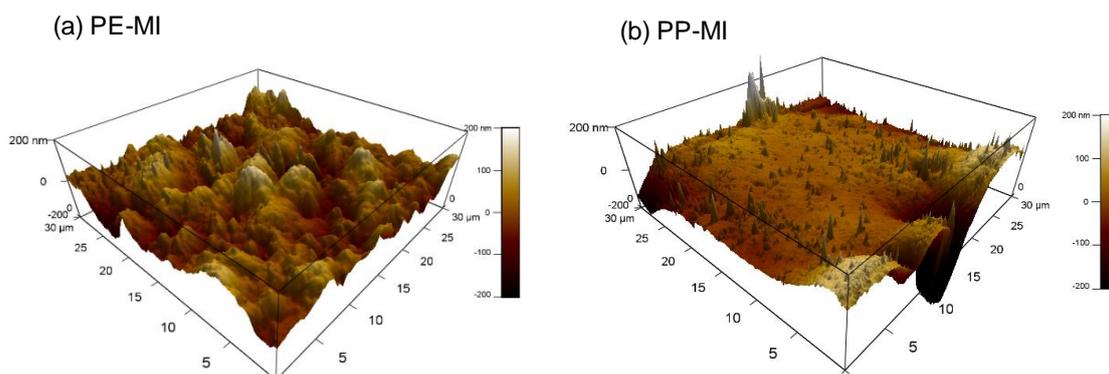


Fig. S2. 3D surface morphology images of PE-MI and PP-MI sheets

## 2. DSC

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) of PP-MI sheet (2.65mg) was performed by Diamond DSC (PerkinElmer) equipped with a CryoFill unit using liquid nitrogen. Heating and cooling rate was 20 K/min from 153 K to 433 K.

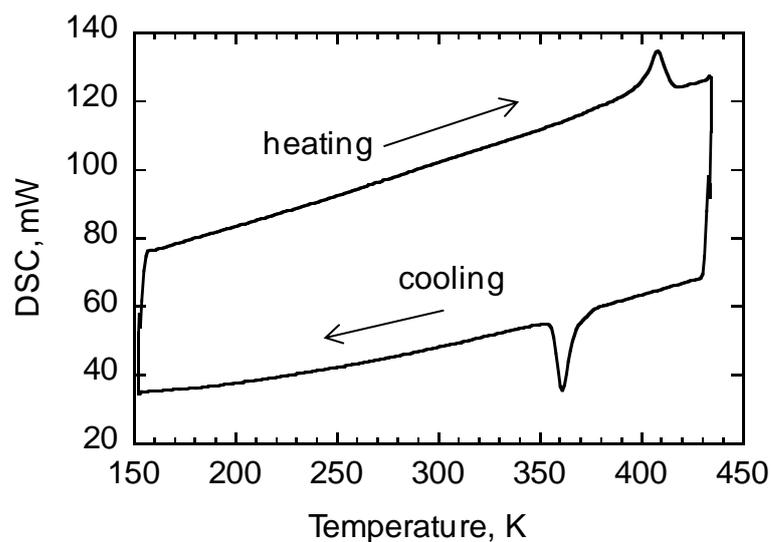


Fig. S3. DSC thermograph of PP-MI sheet at a rate of 20 K/min (2-nd scan profile)

