

Supporting Information For:

**Tuning the Negative Photochromism of Water Soluble
Spiropyran Polymers**

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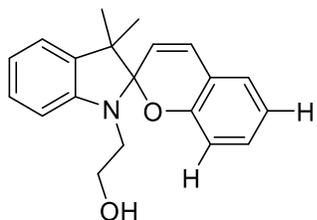
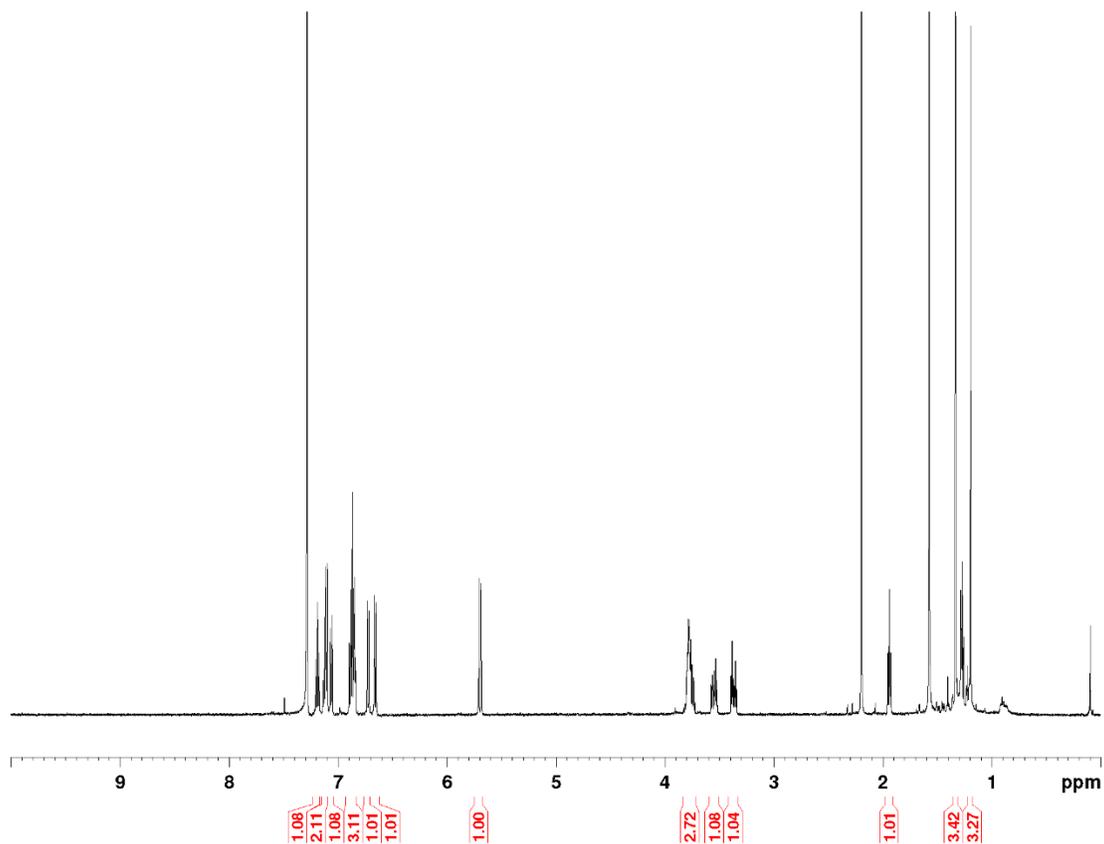
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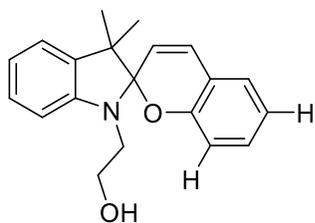
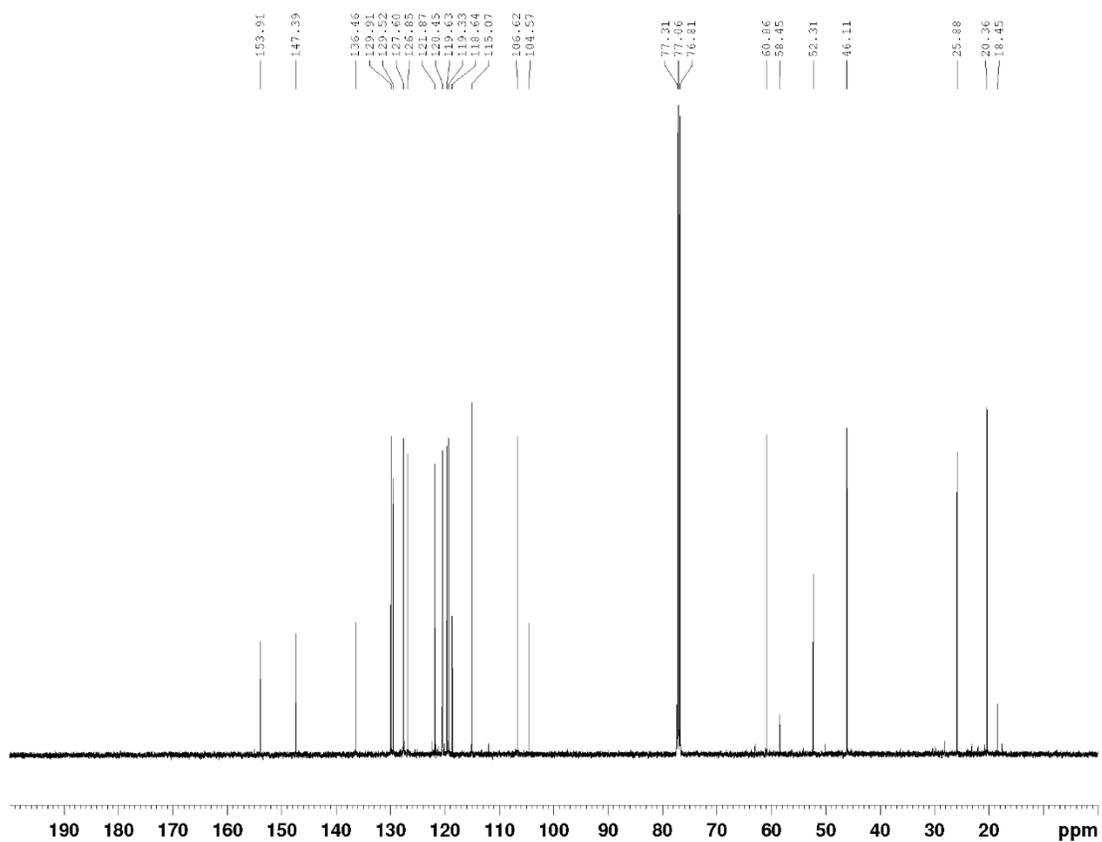
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1. NMR spectra of prepared monomers and polymers.



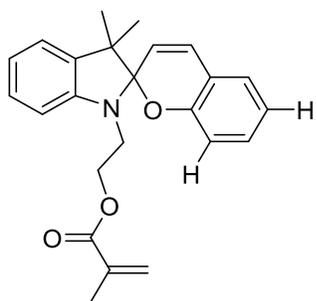
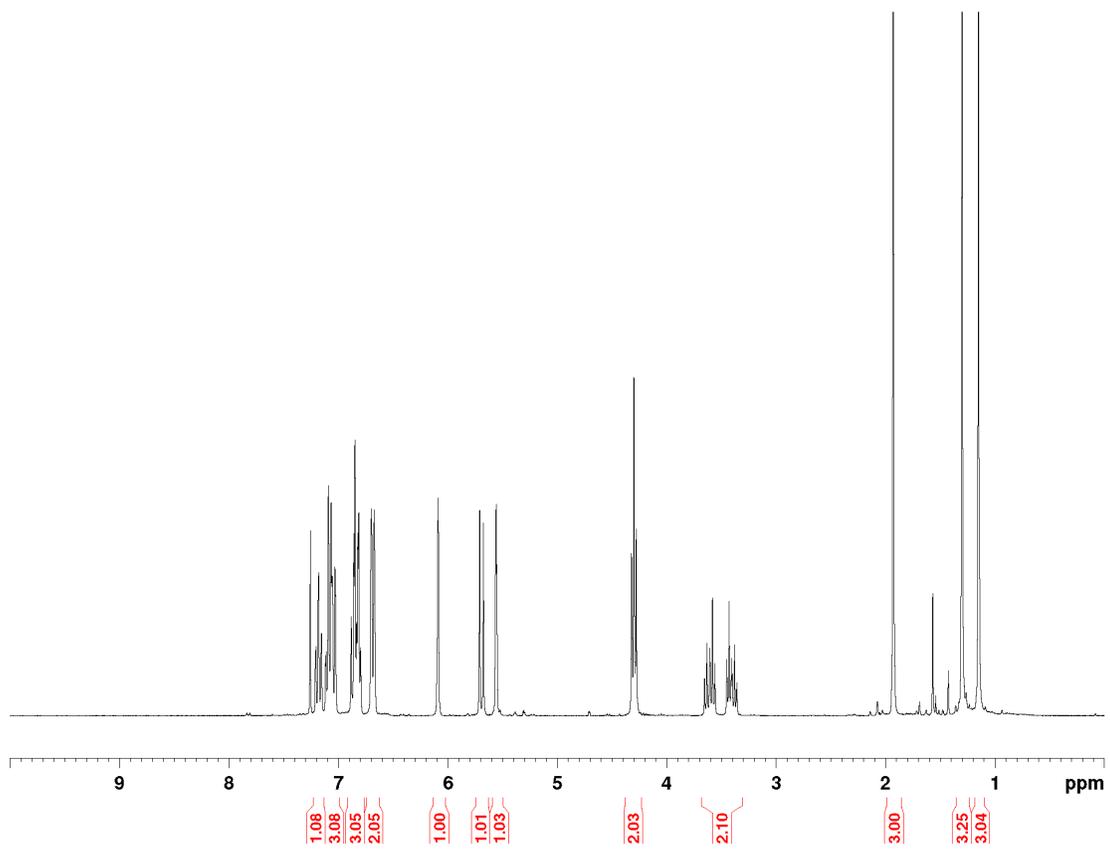
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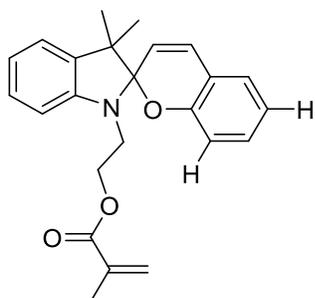
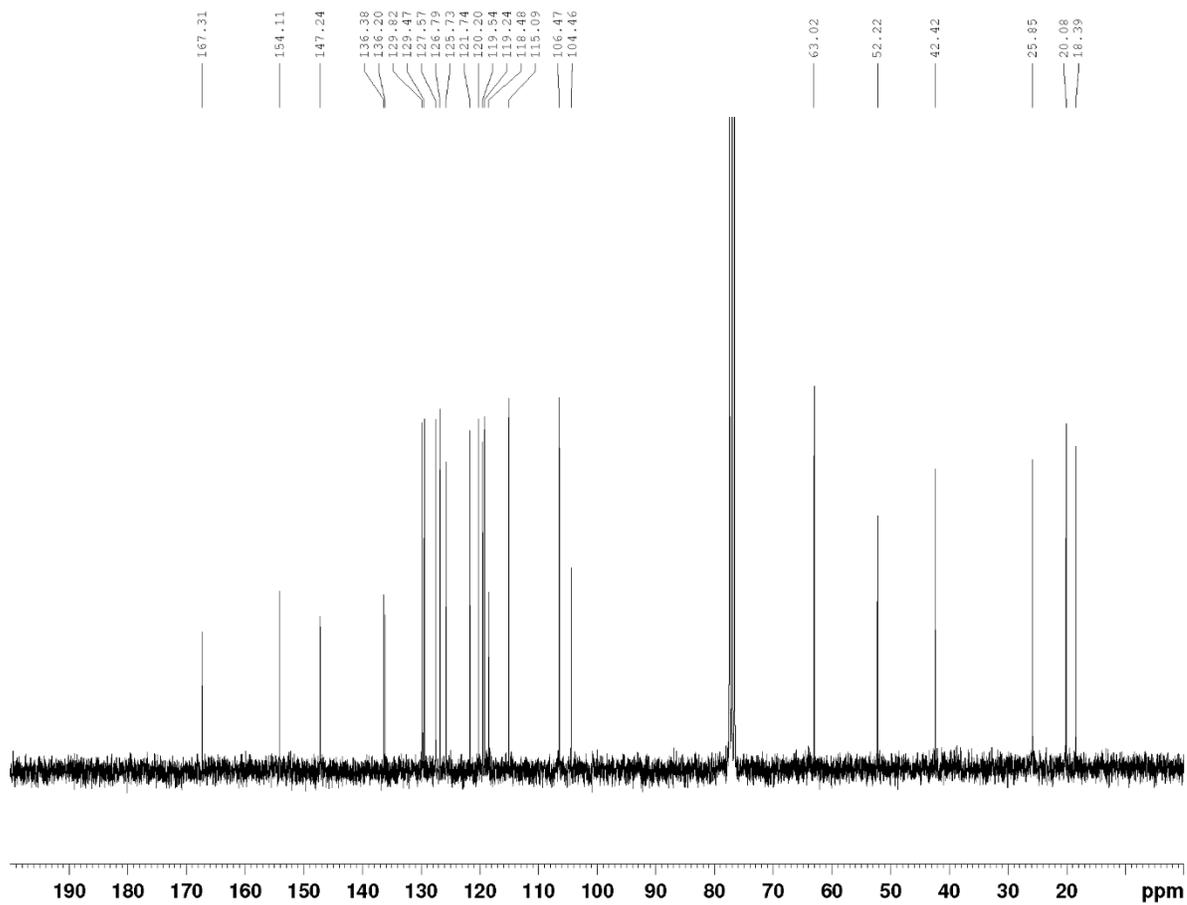
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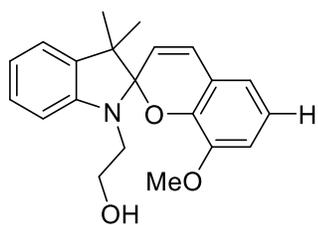
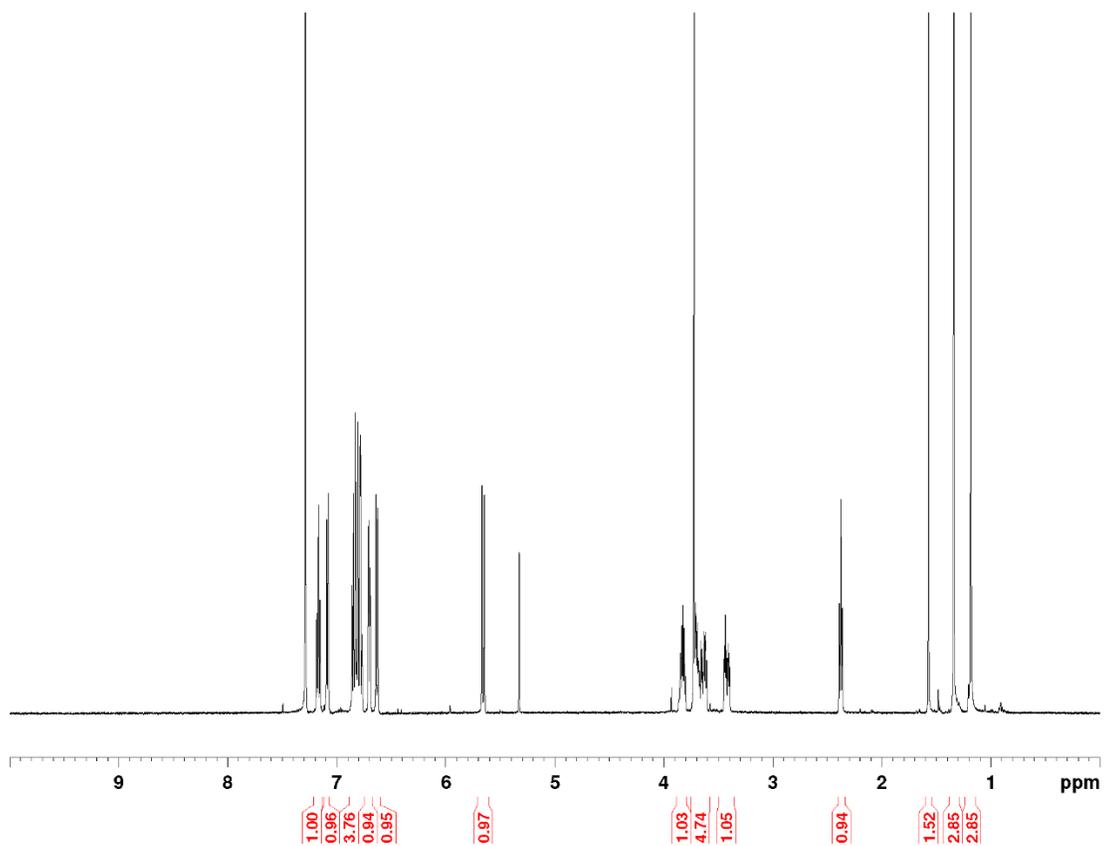
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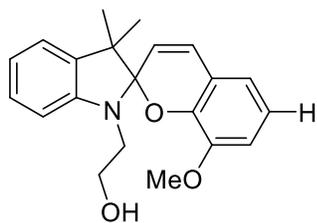
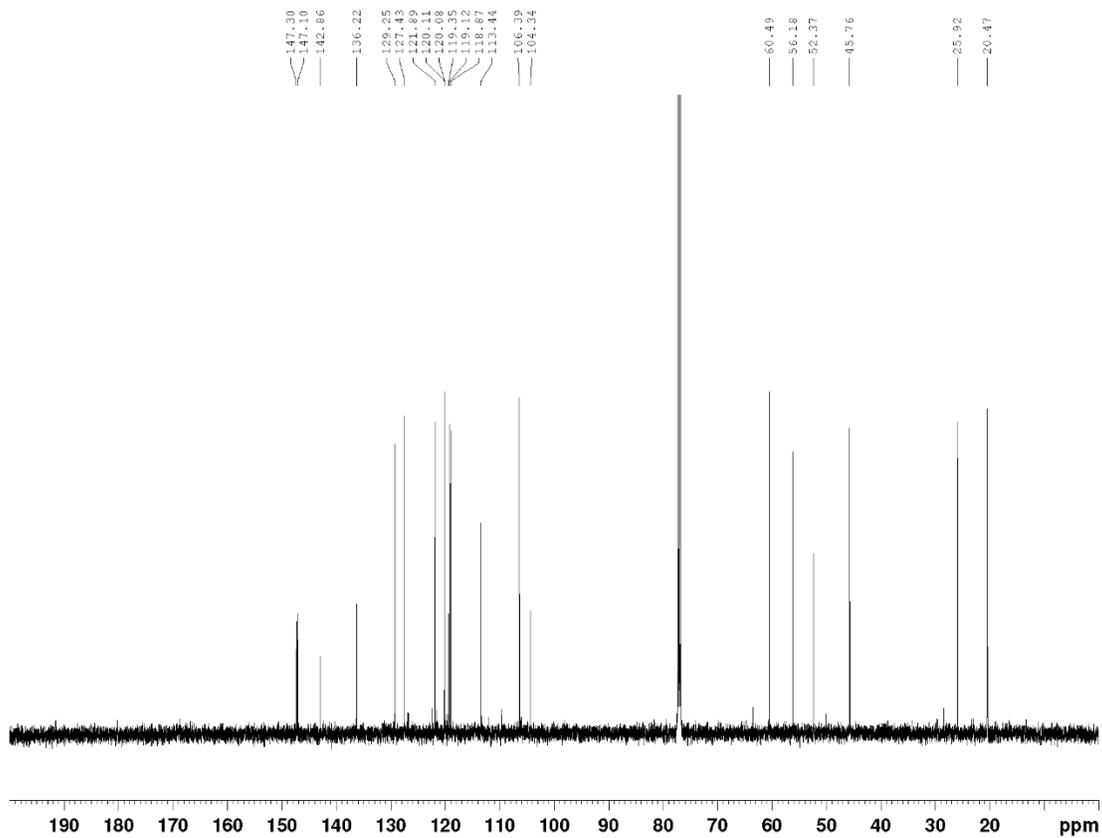
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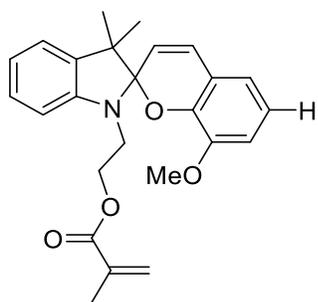
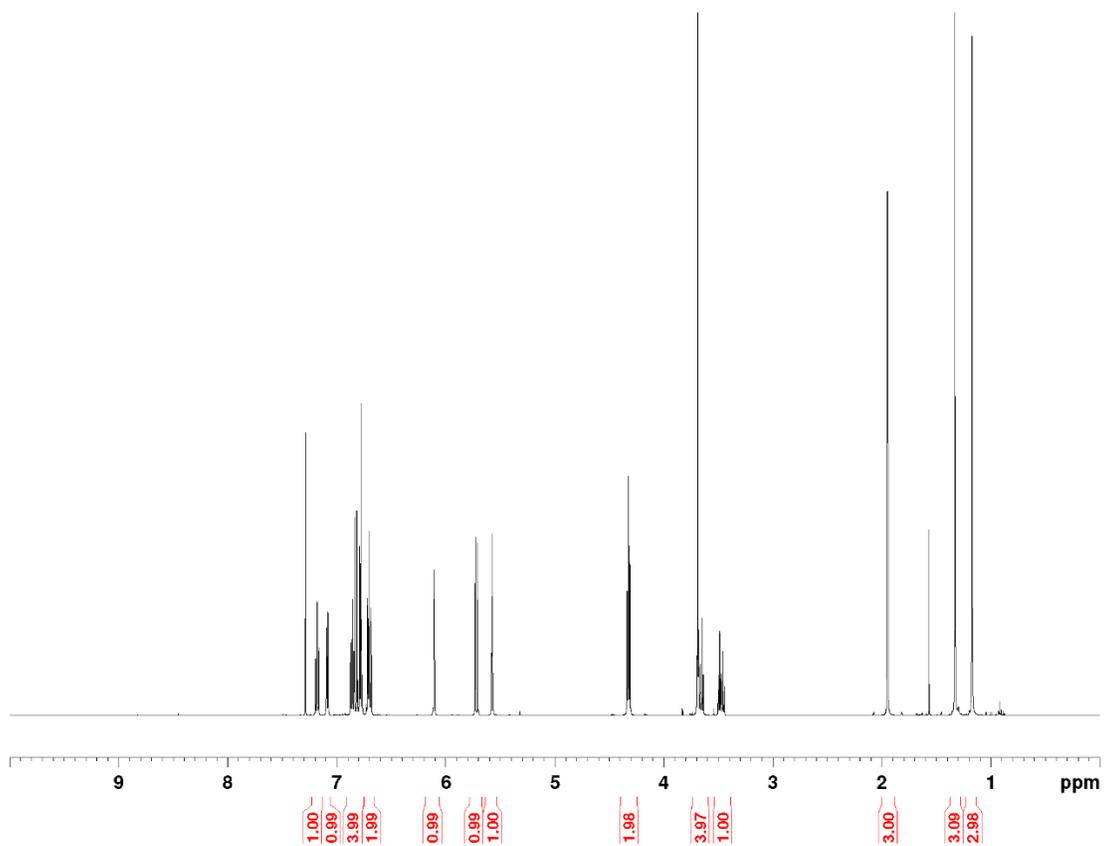
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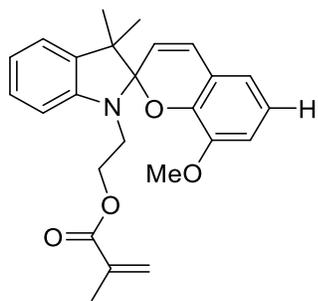
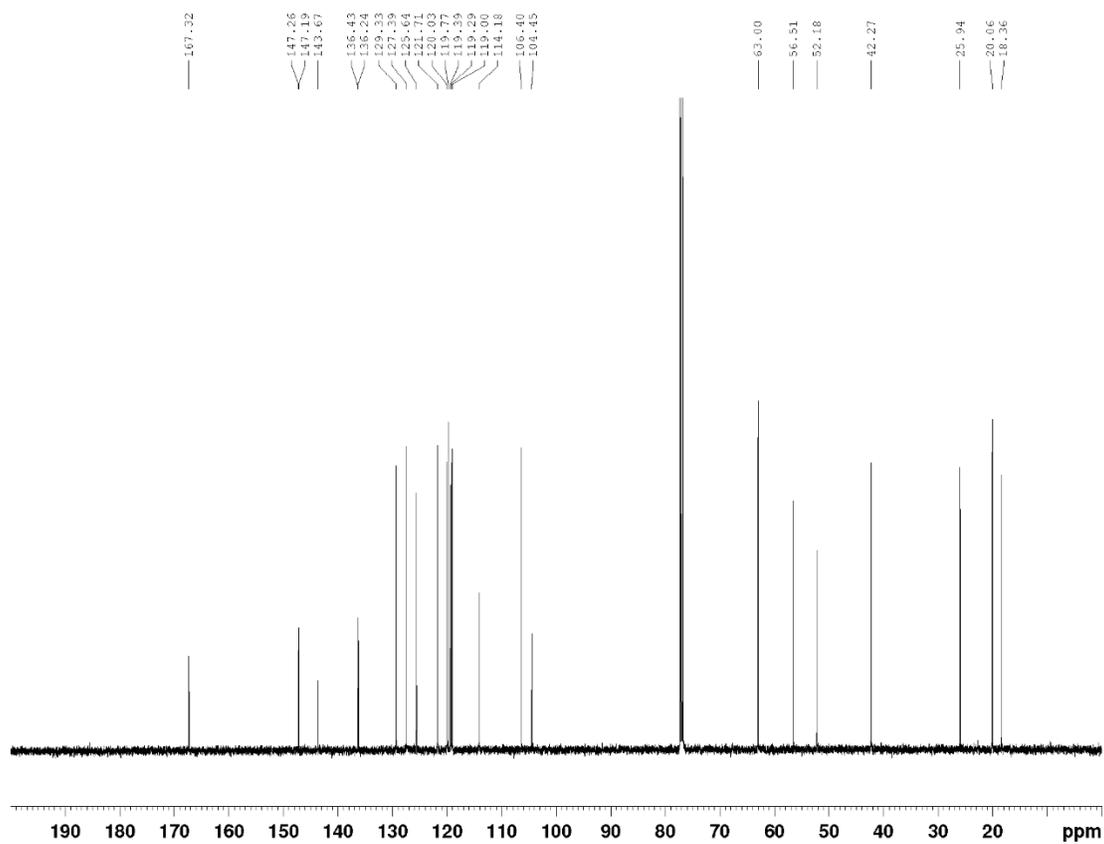
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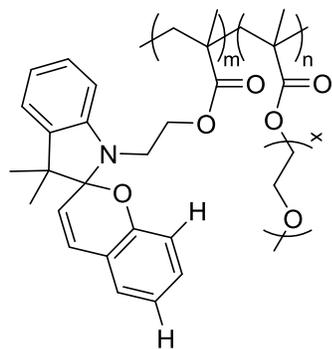
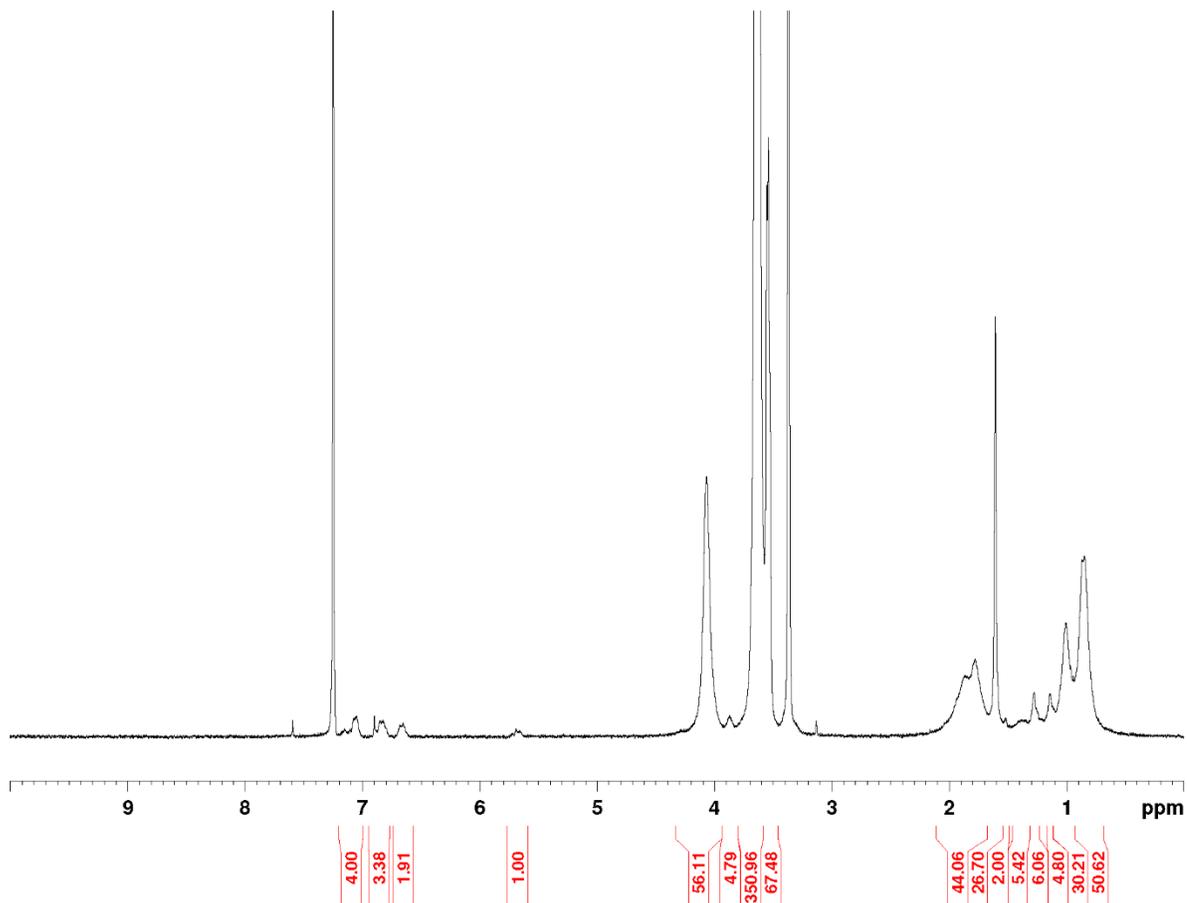
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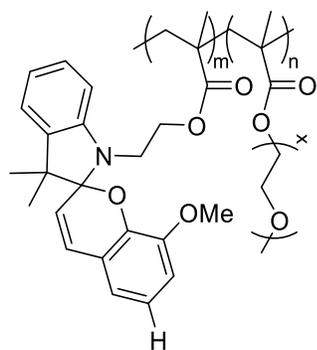
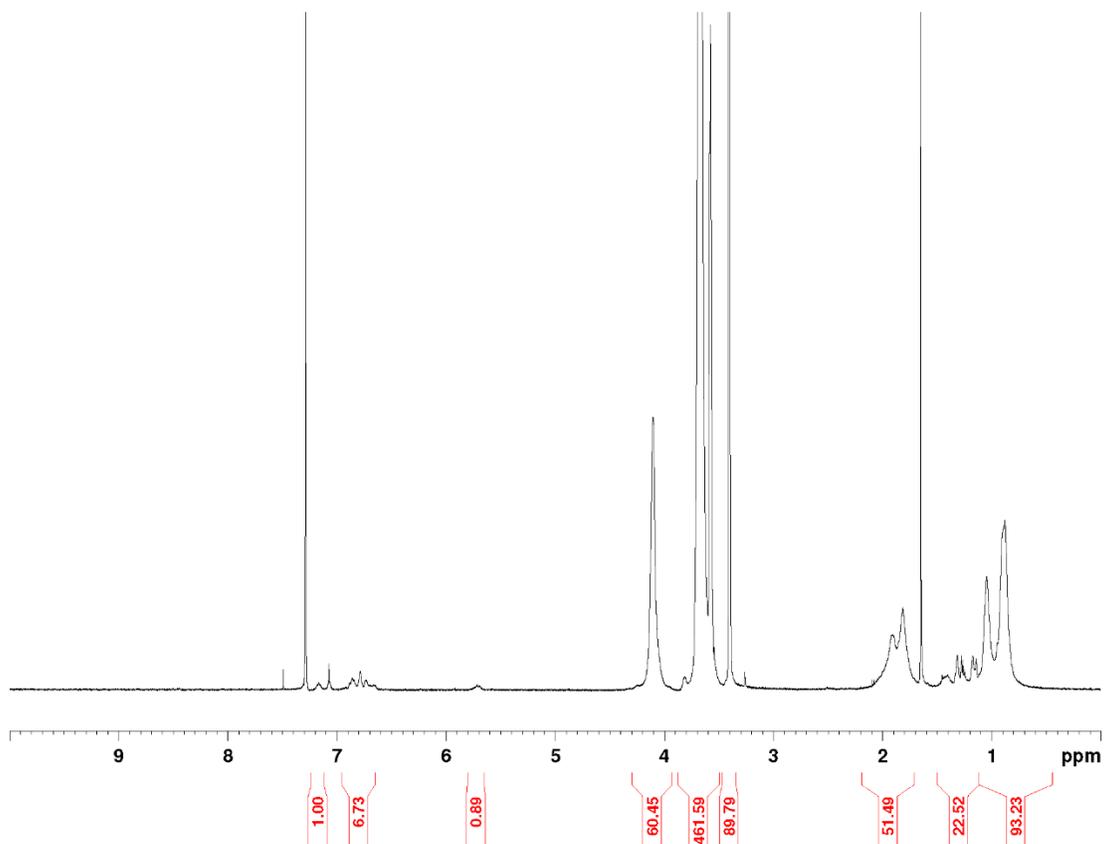
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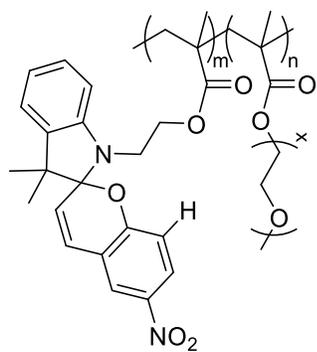
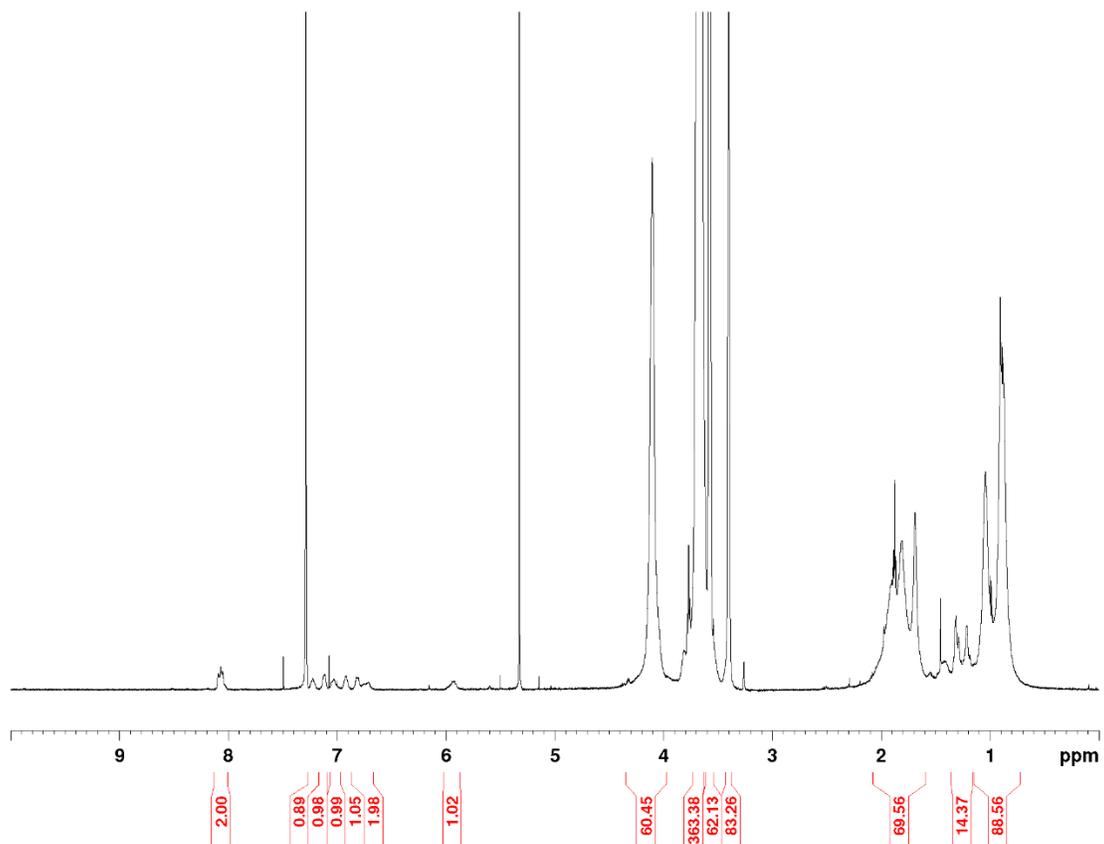
HSp-PEGMA

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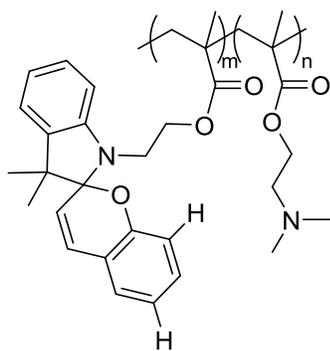
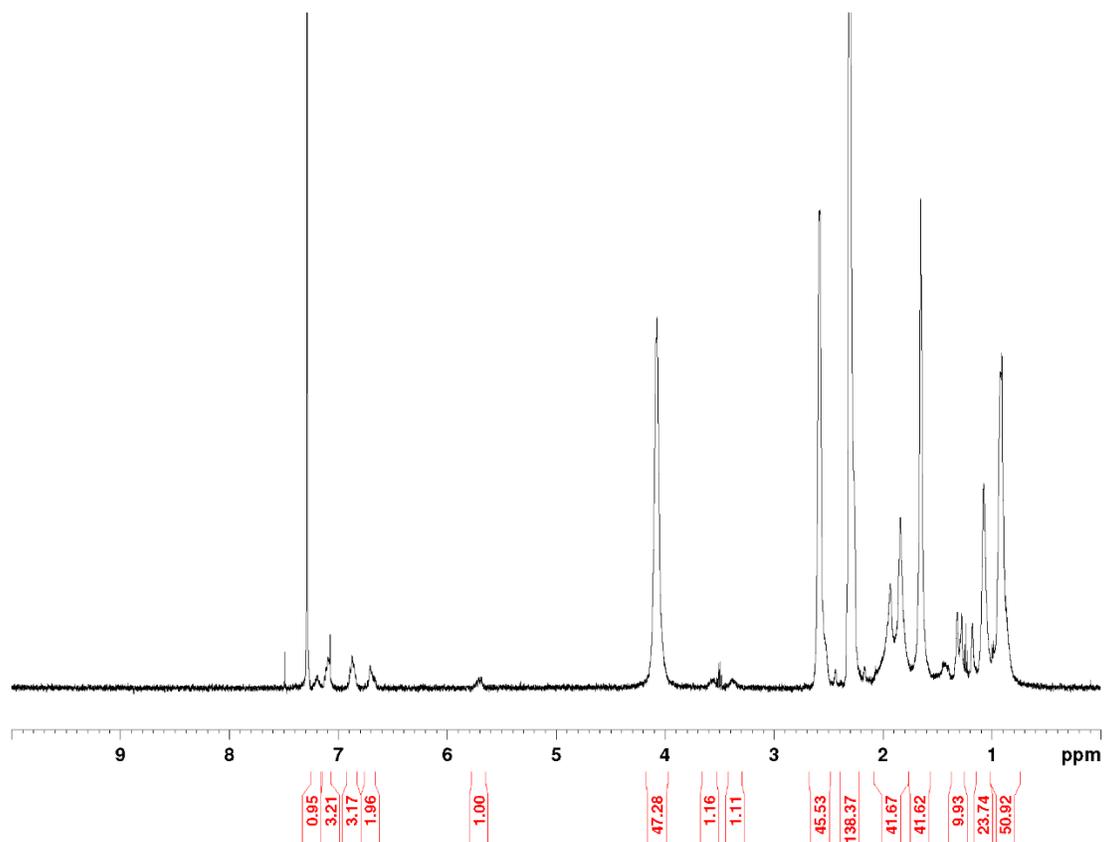


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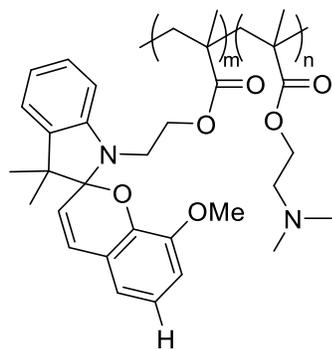
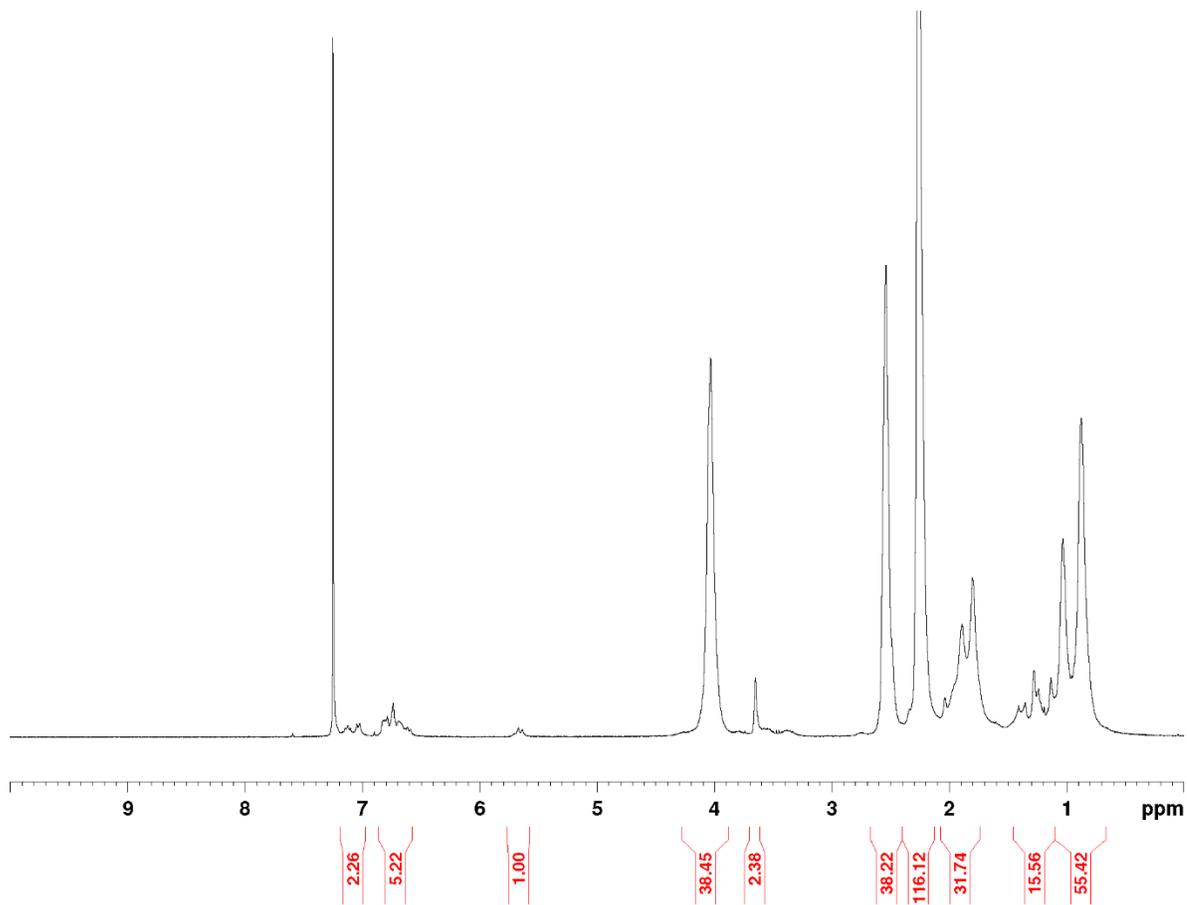
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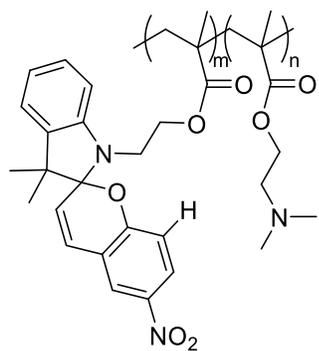
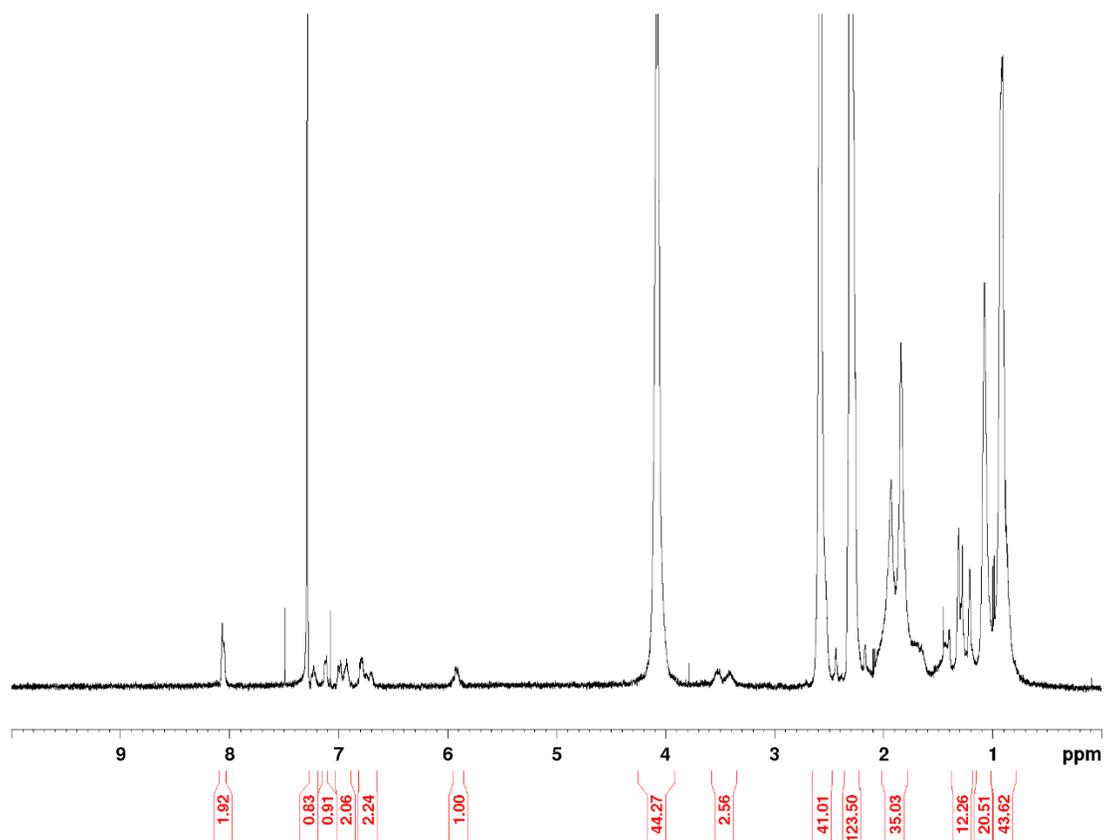


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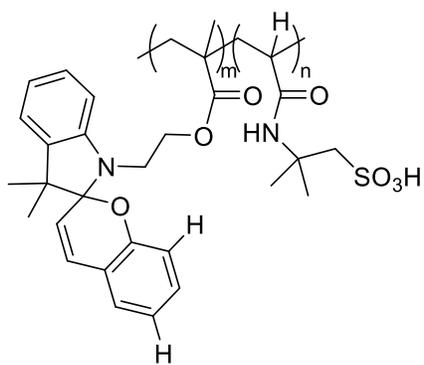
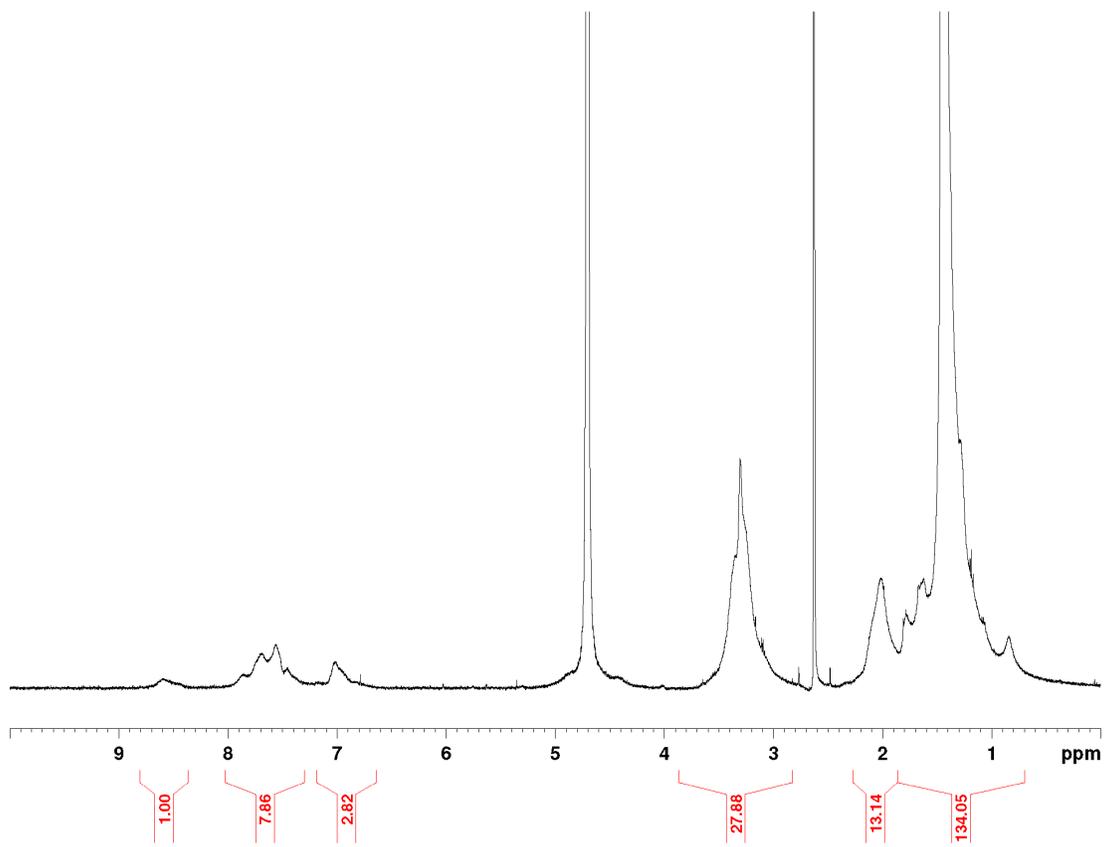
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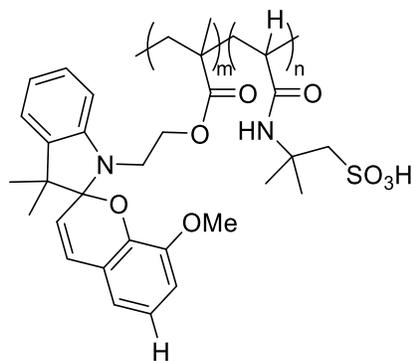
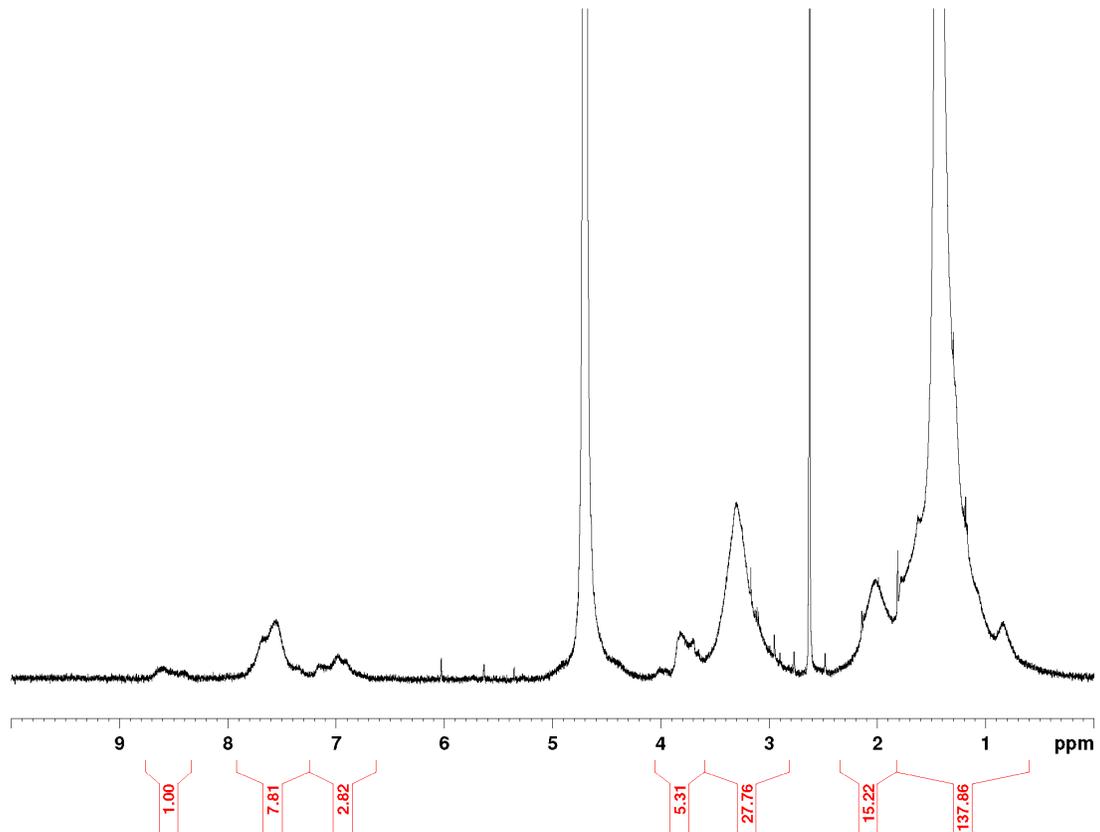
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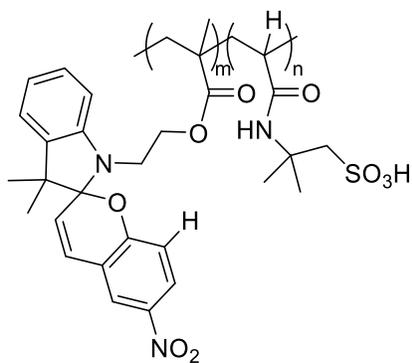
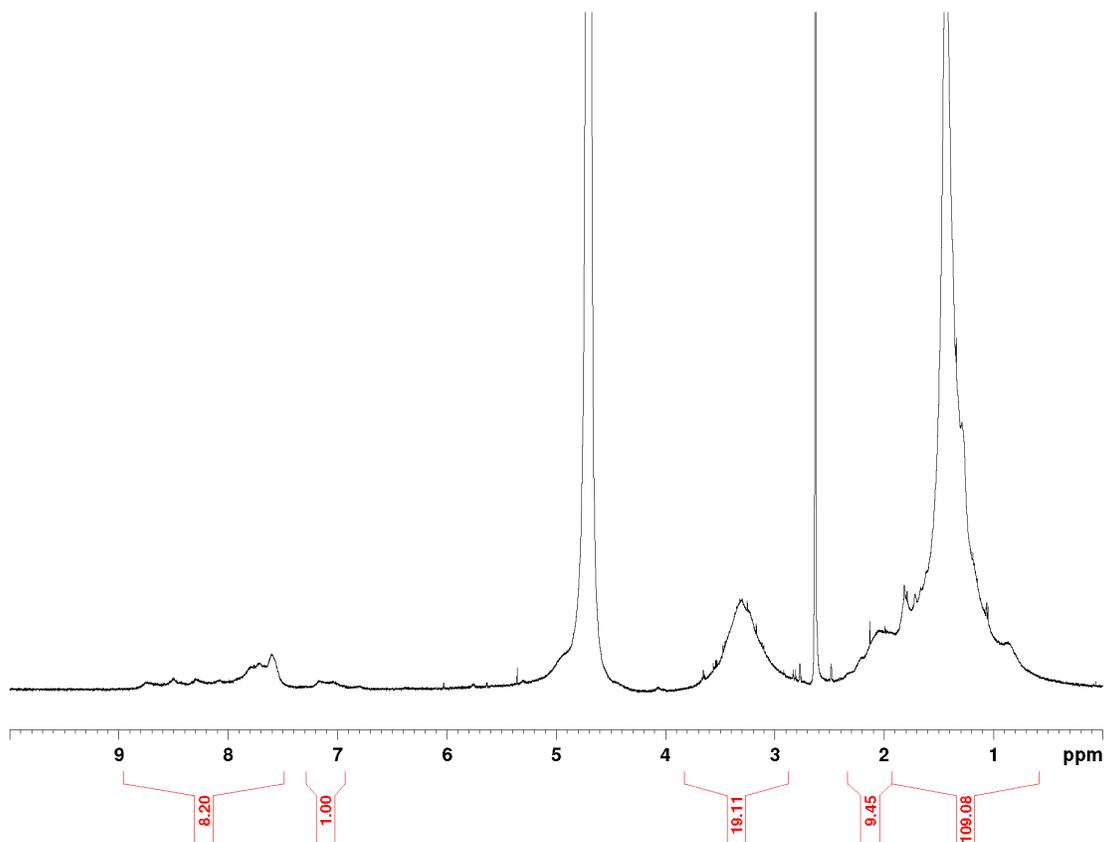
HSp-AMPS

^1H NMR, D_2O (500 MHz)



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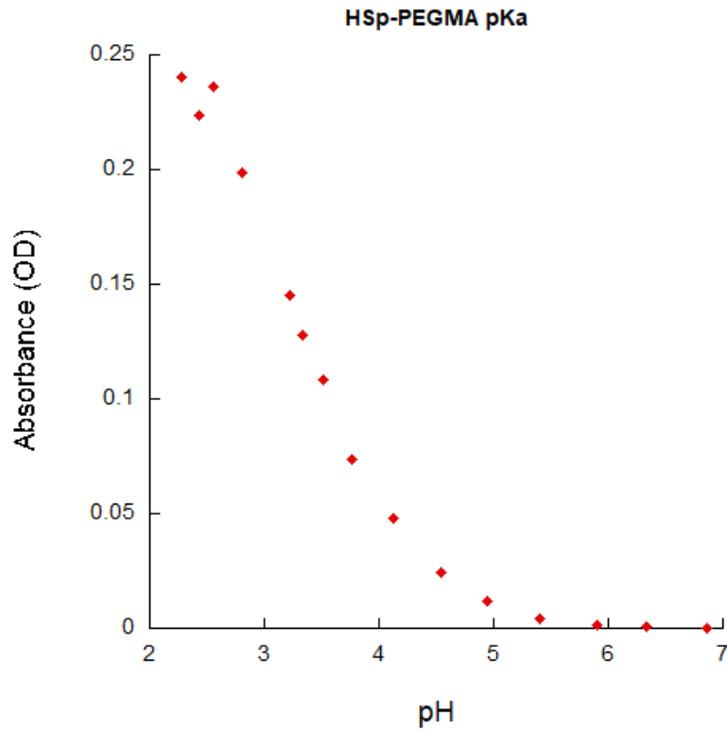
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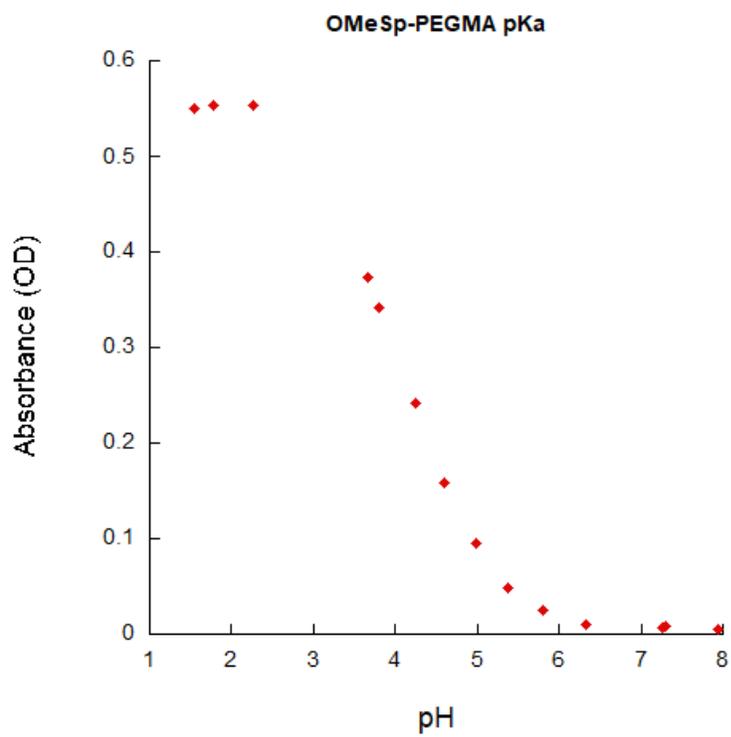
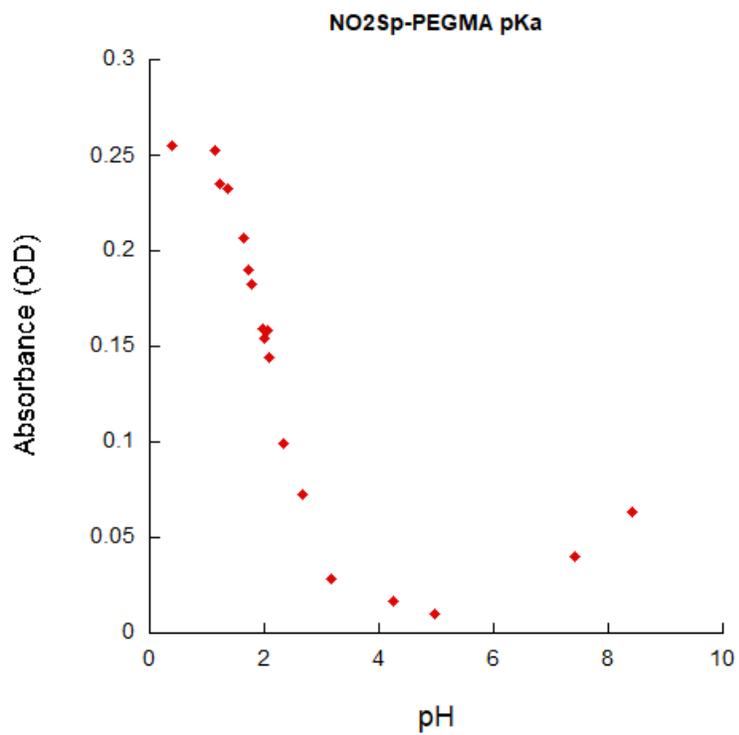


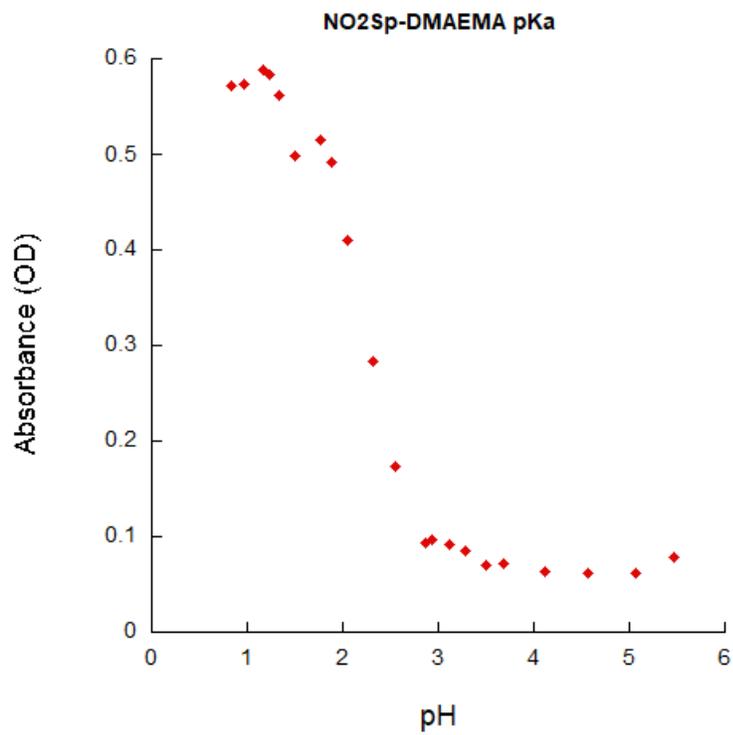
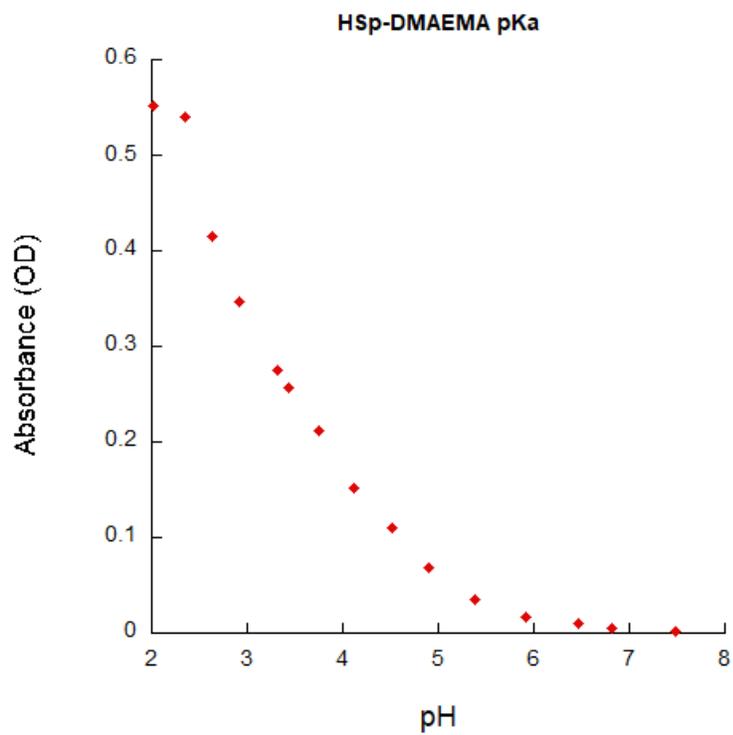
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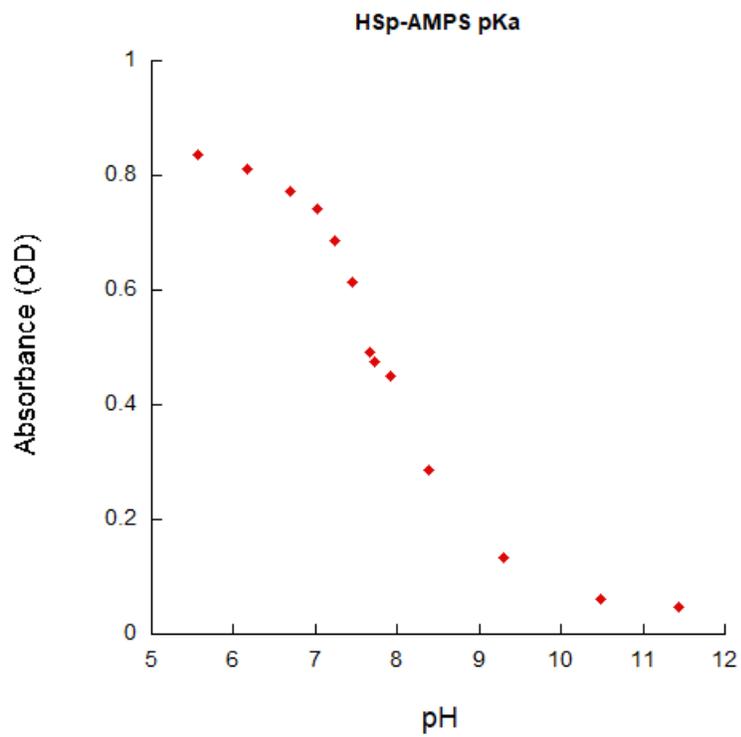
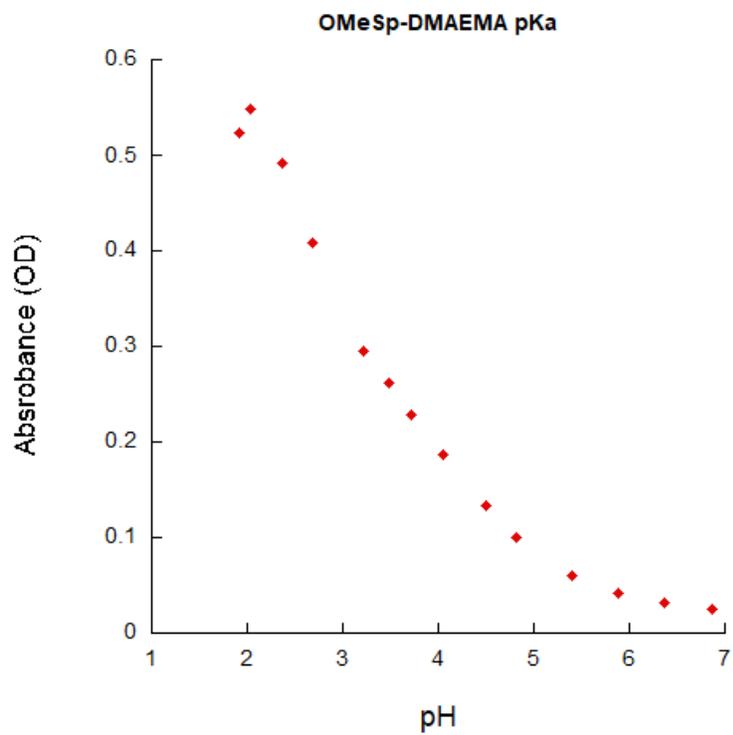
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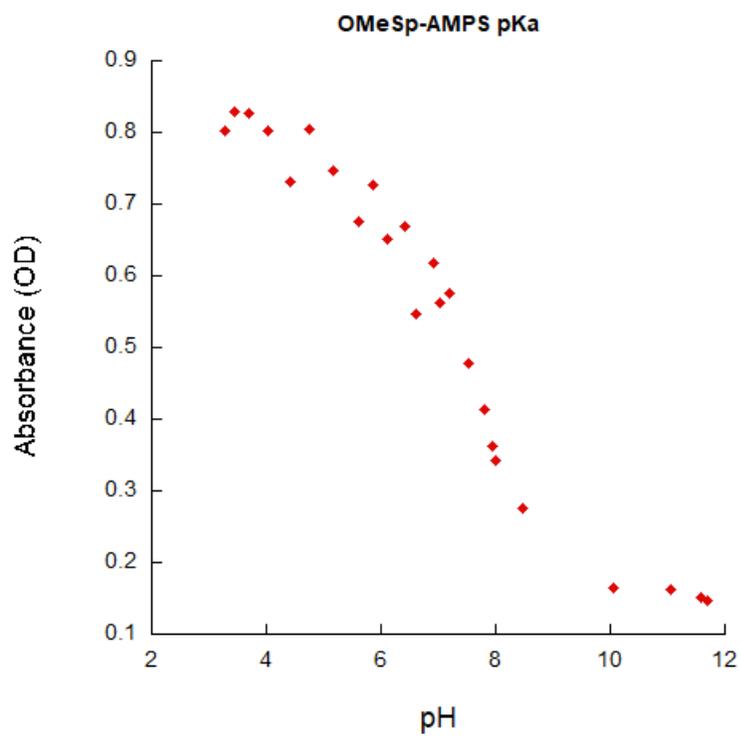
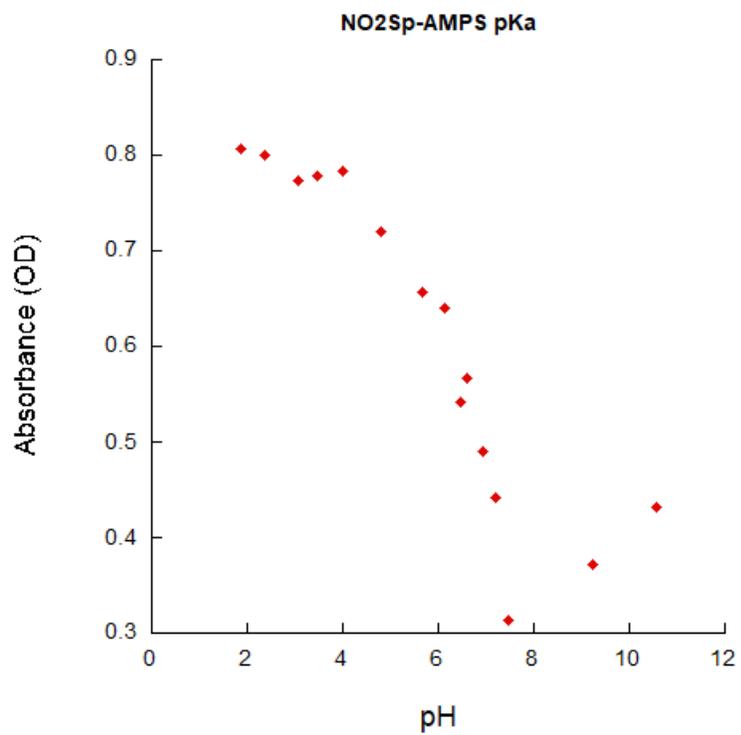
2. Absorbance data for pKa determinations of DMAEMA, AMPS polymers.





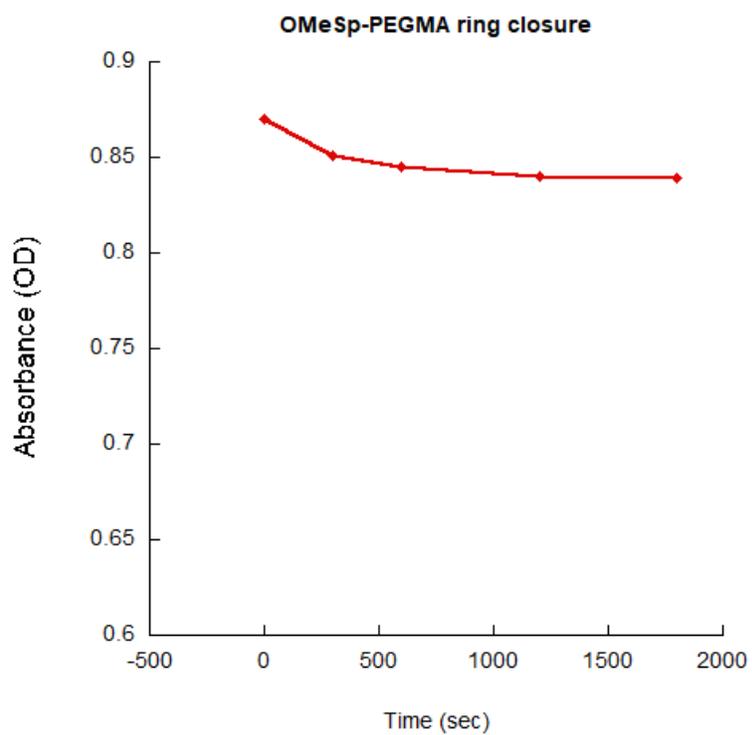


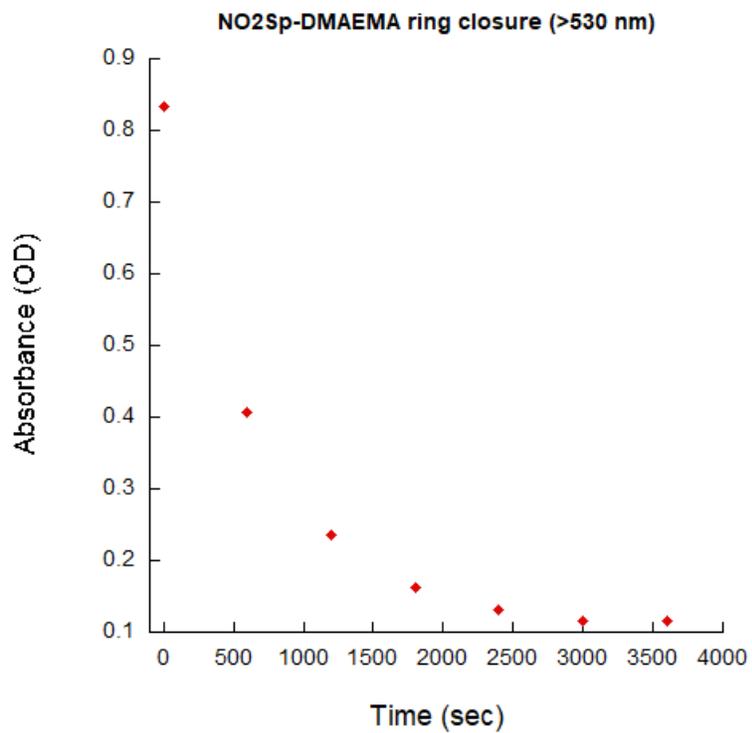
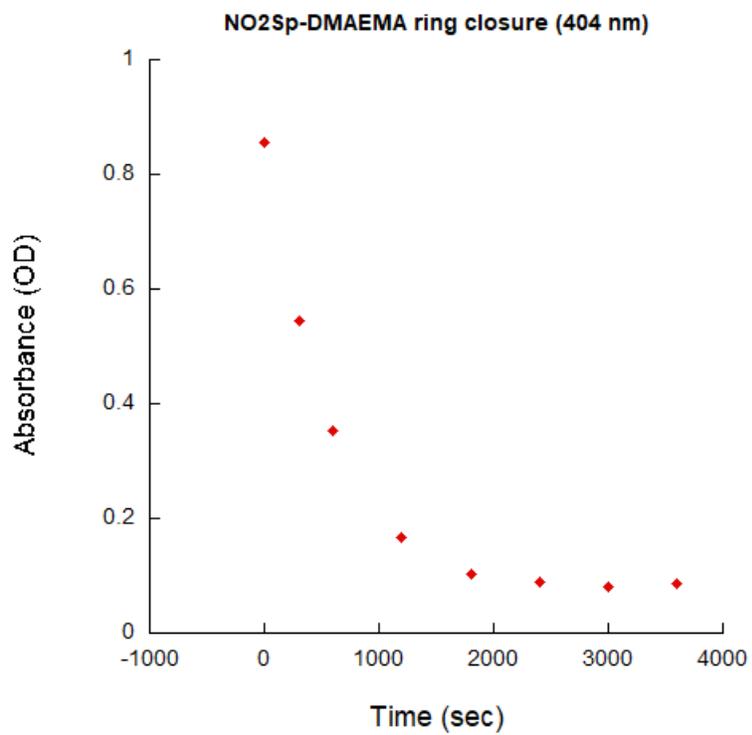


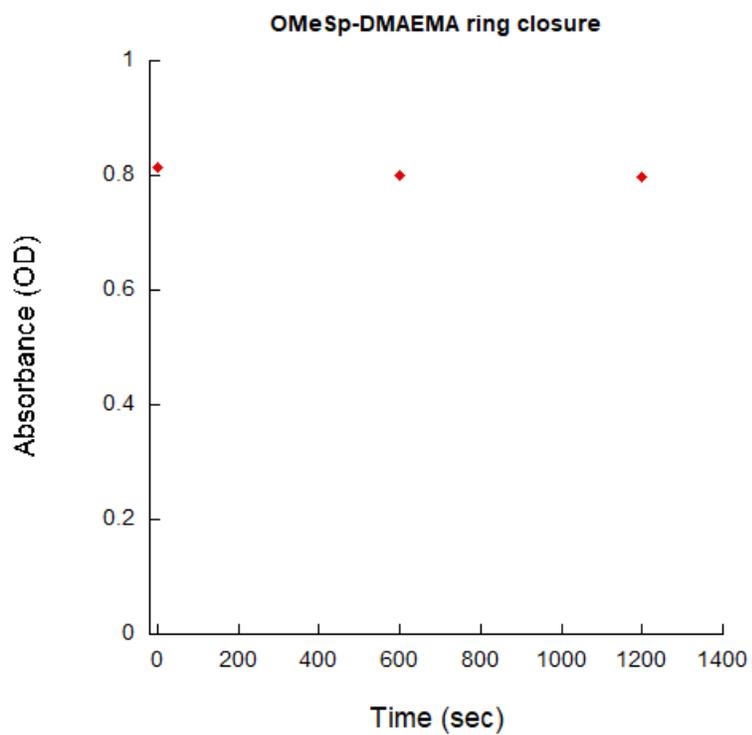
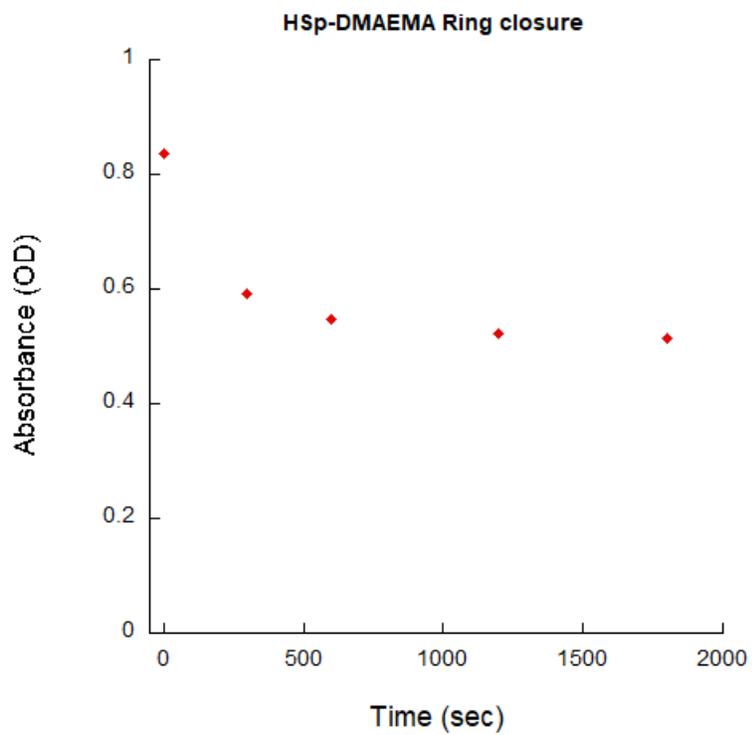


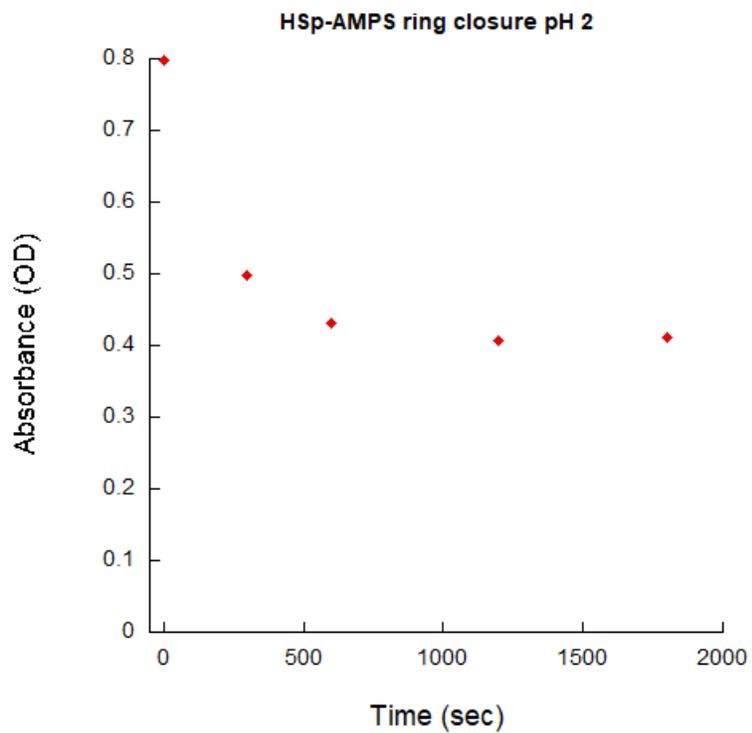
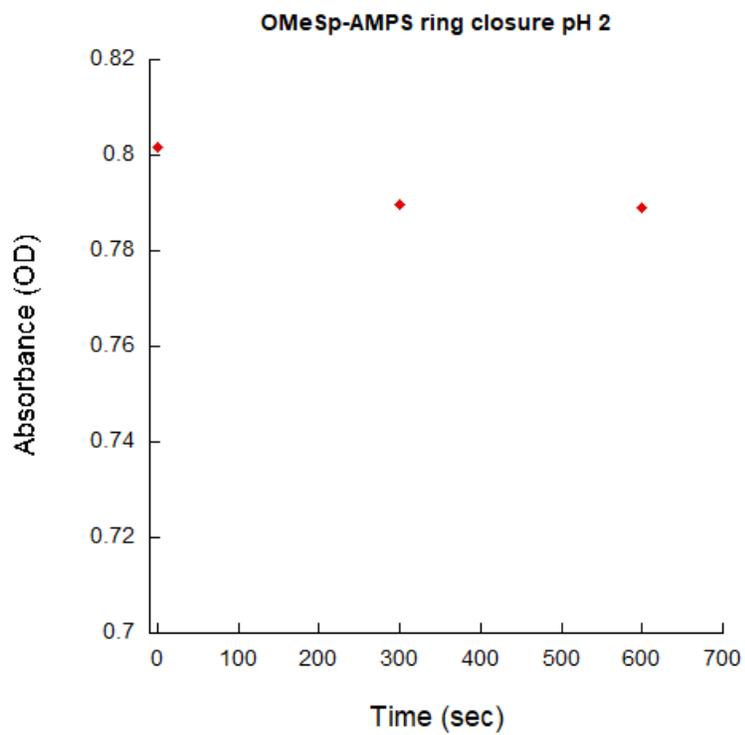
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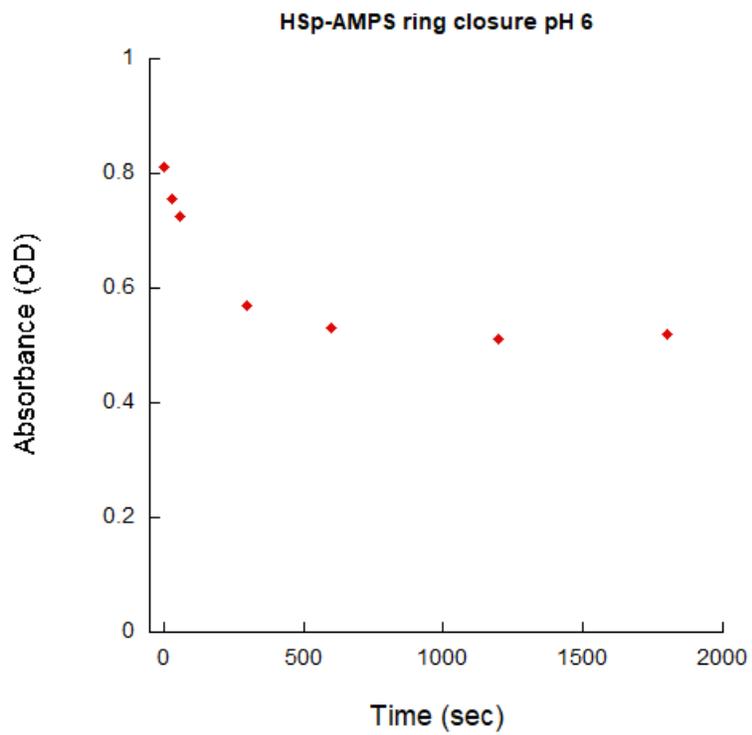
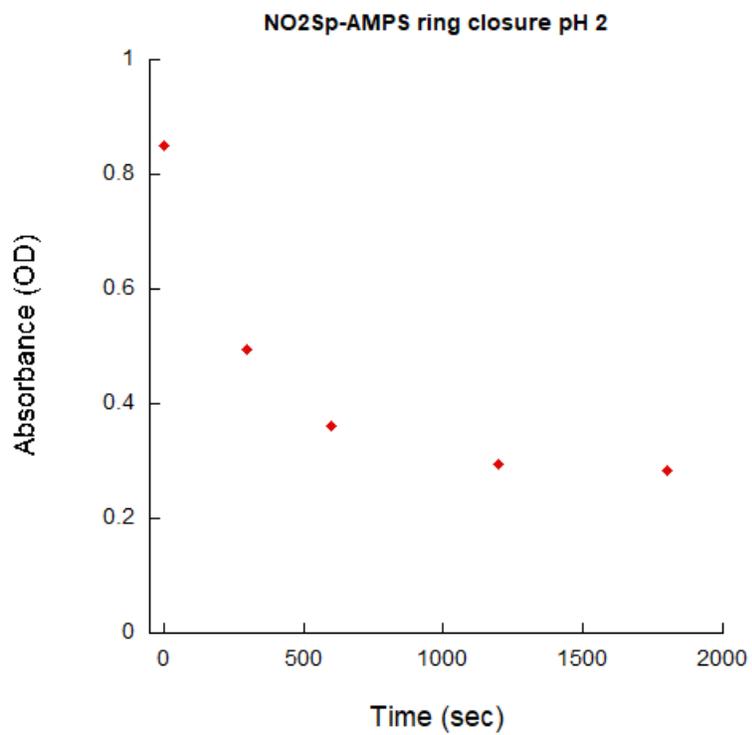
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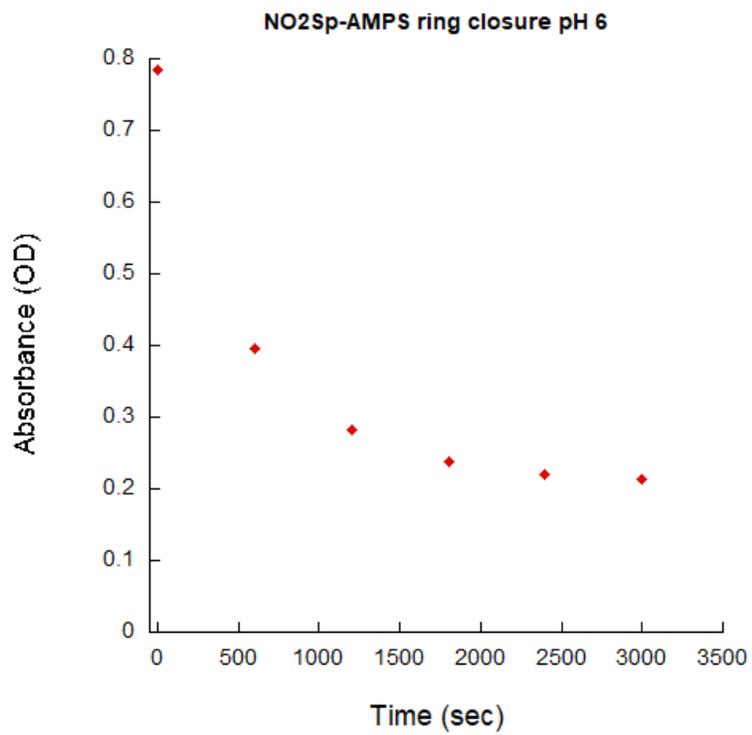
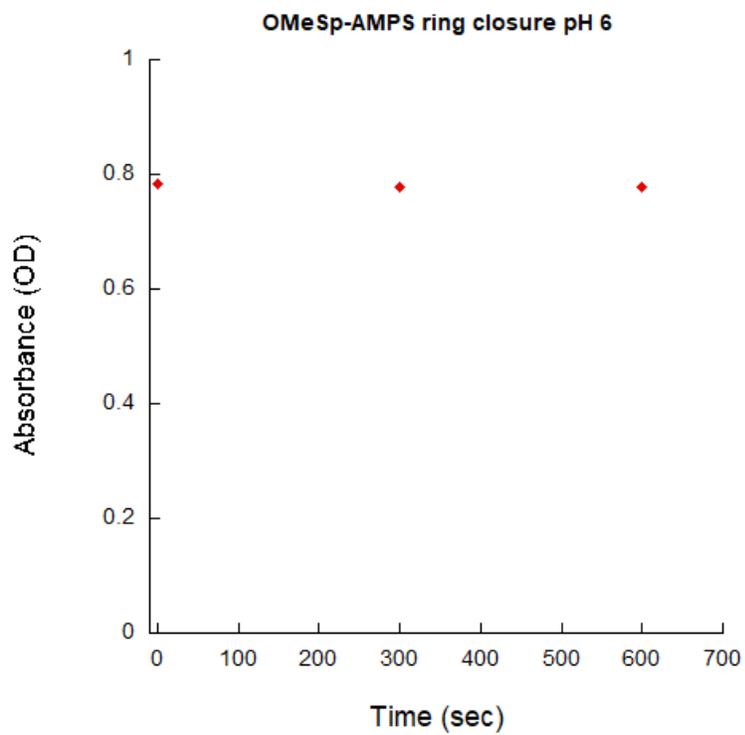




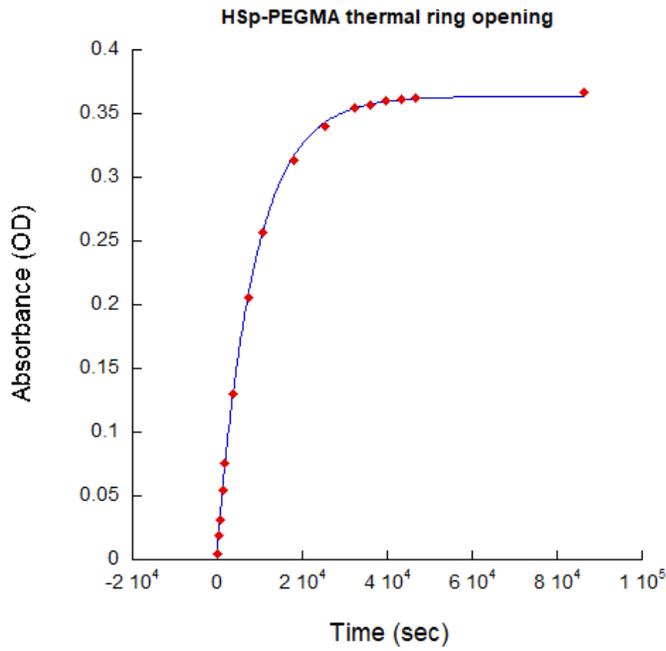






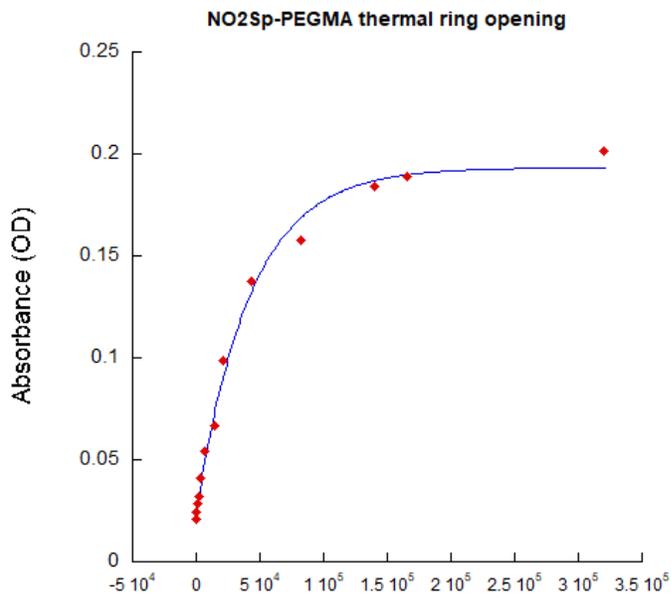


4. Thermal ring opening absorbance data with exponential decay fits.



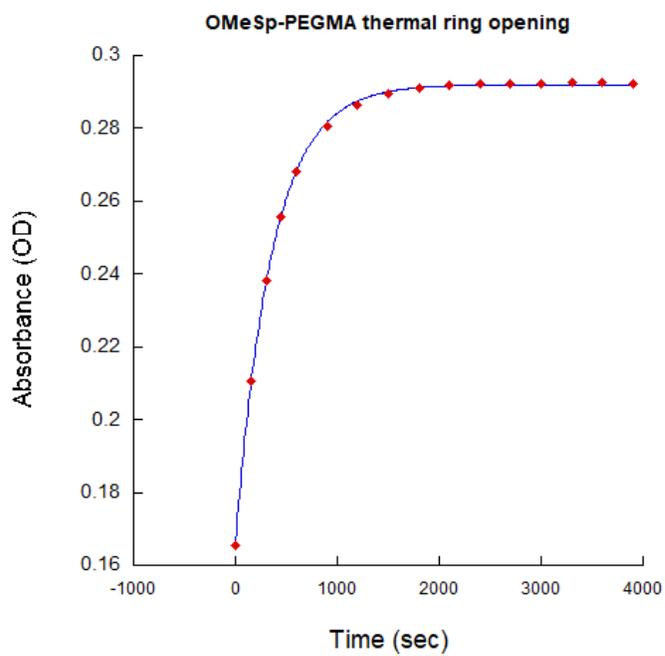
Curve fit:

$$y = 8.6 \times 10^{-3} + 0.35(1 - e^{-kt})$$

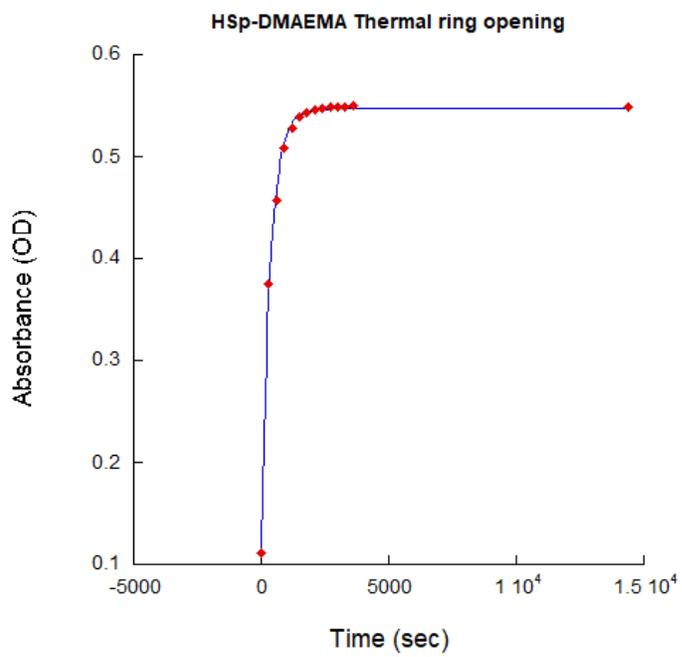


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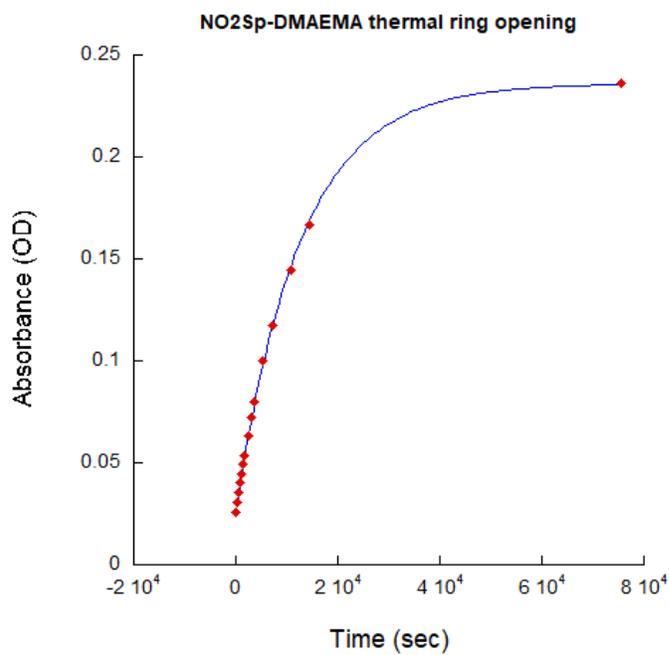
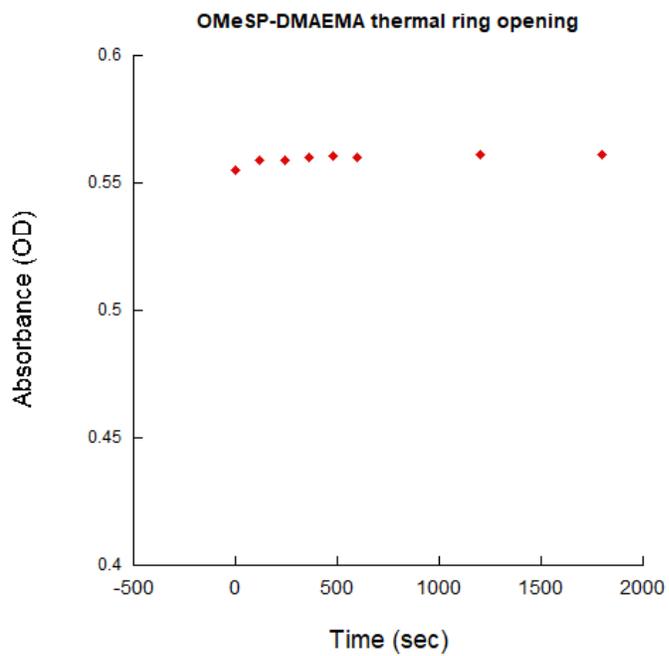
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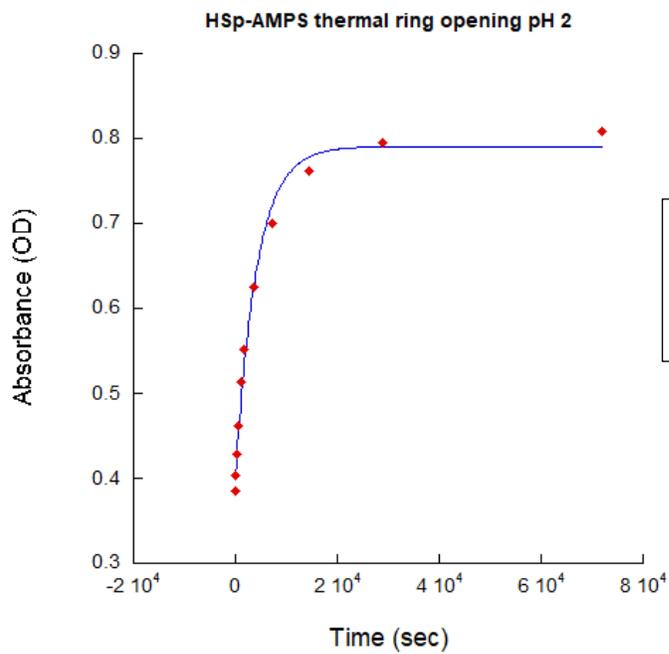
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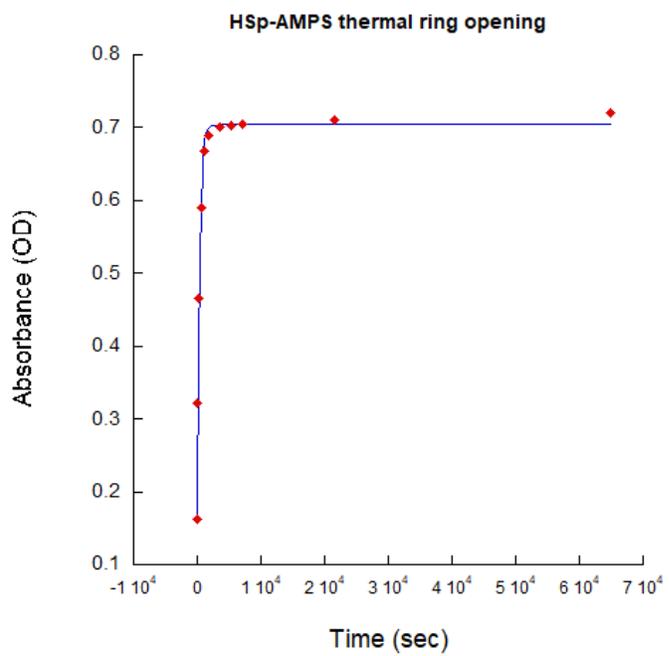
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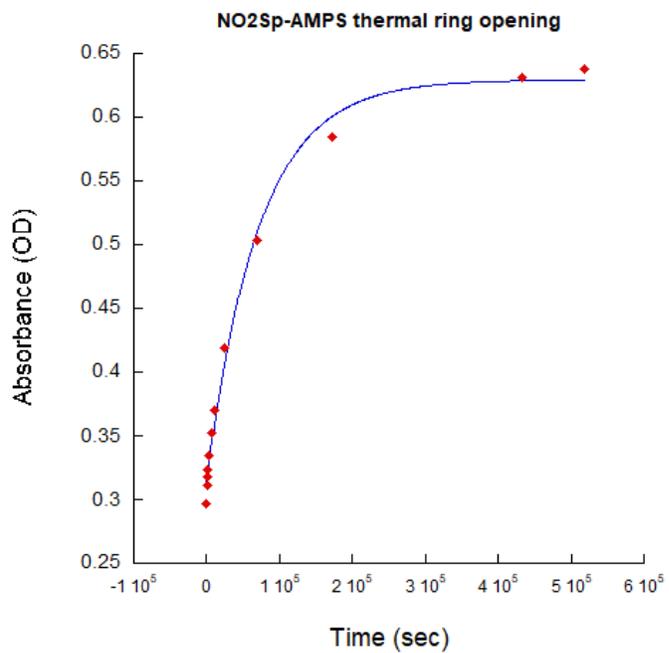
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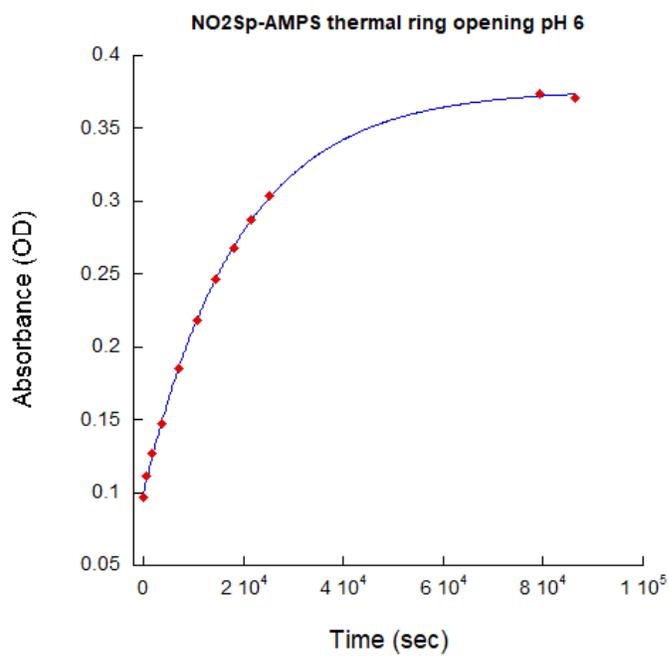
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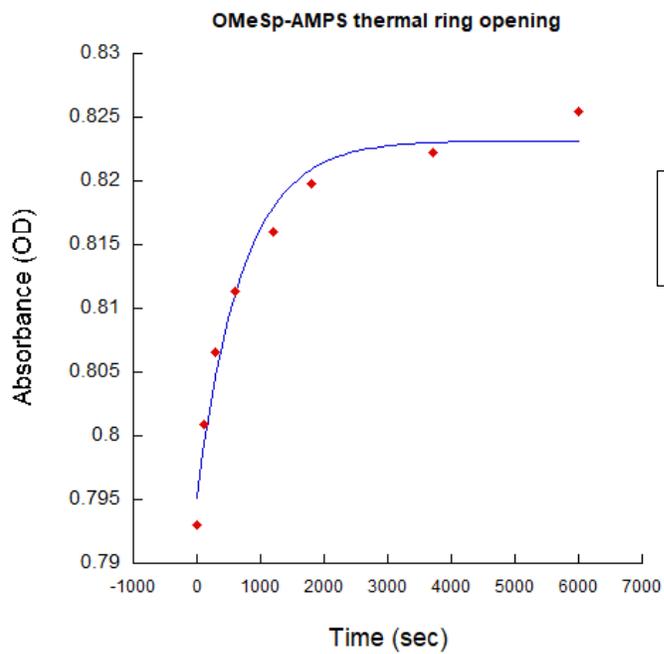
(pH 6) Curve fit:
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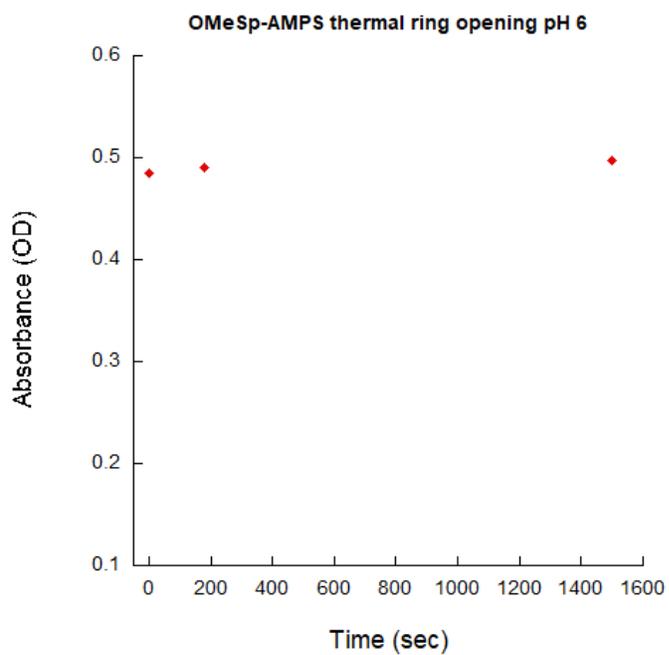
(pH 2) Curve fit:
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(pH 6) Curve fit:
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(pH 2) Curve fit:
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5. Supporting figures

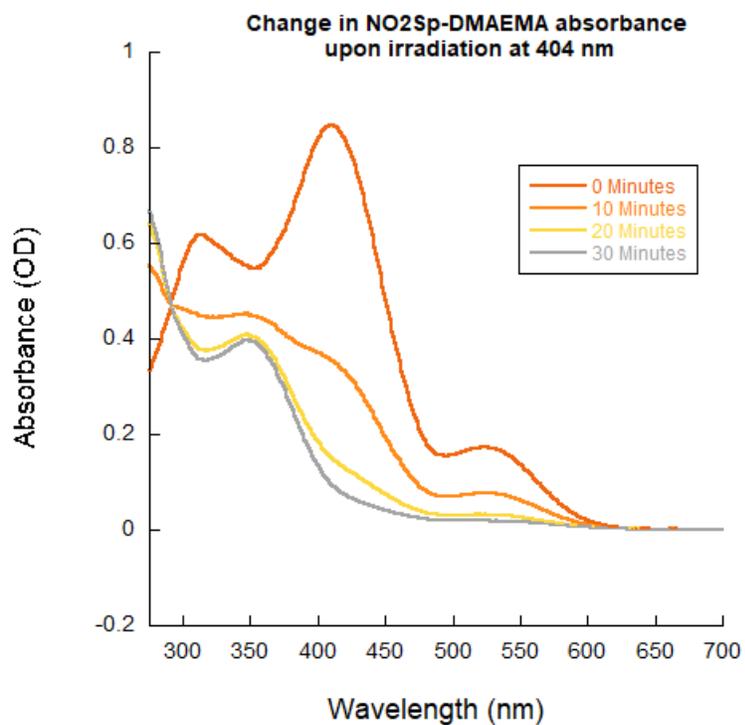


Figure S1. Decrease in both MCH⁺ and MC absorbance upon exposure of NO₂Sp-DMAEMA to 3 mW/cm² at 404 nm, where only MCH⁺ absorbs.

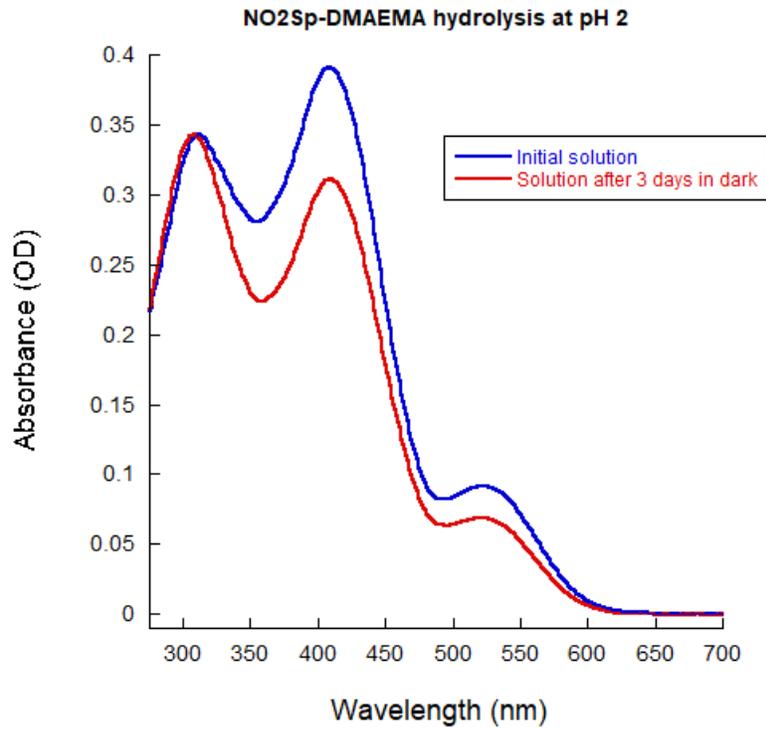


Figure S2. Decrease in absorbance of NO₂Sp-DMAEMA at pH 2 over 3 days in the dark.

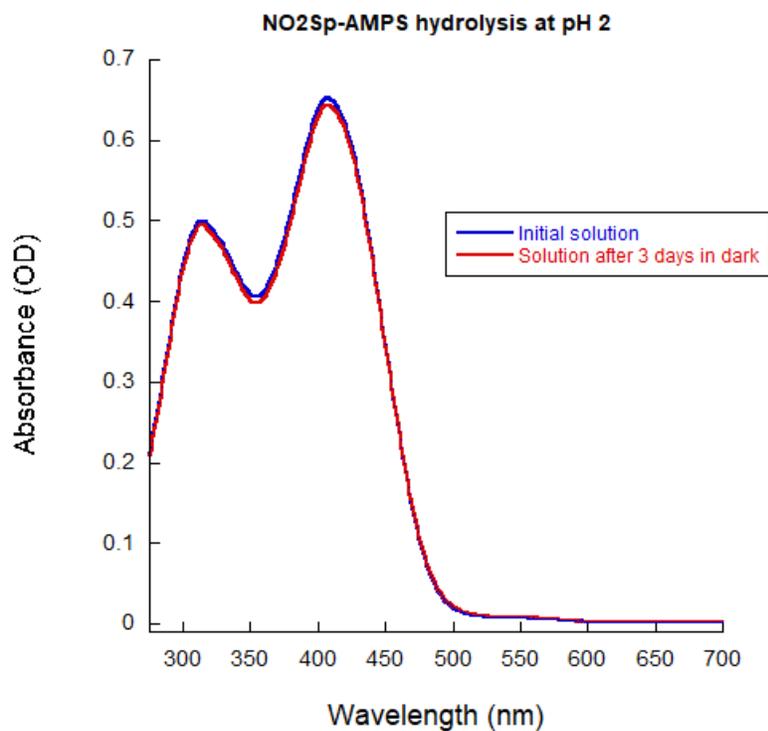


Figure S3. Minimal decrease in MCH⁺ absorbance of NO₂Sp-AMPS at pH 2 over 3 days in the dark.

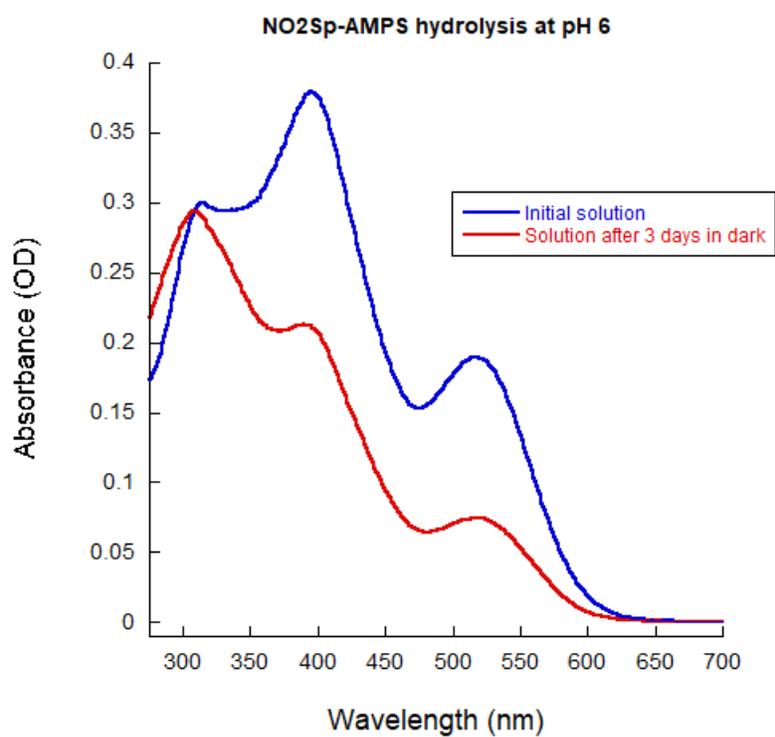


Figure S4. Decrease in absorbance of NO₂Sp-AMPS at pH 6 over 3 days in the dark.

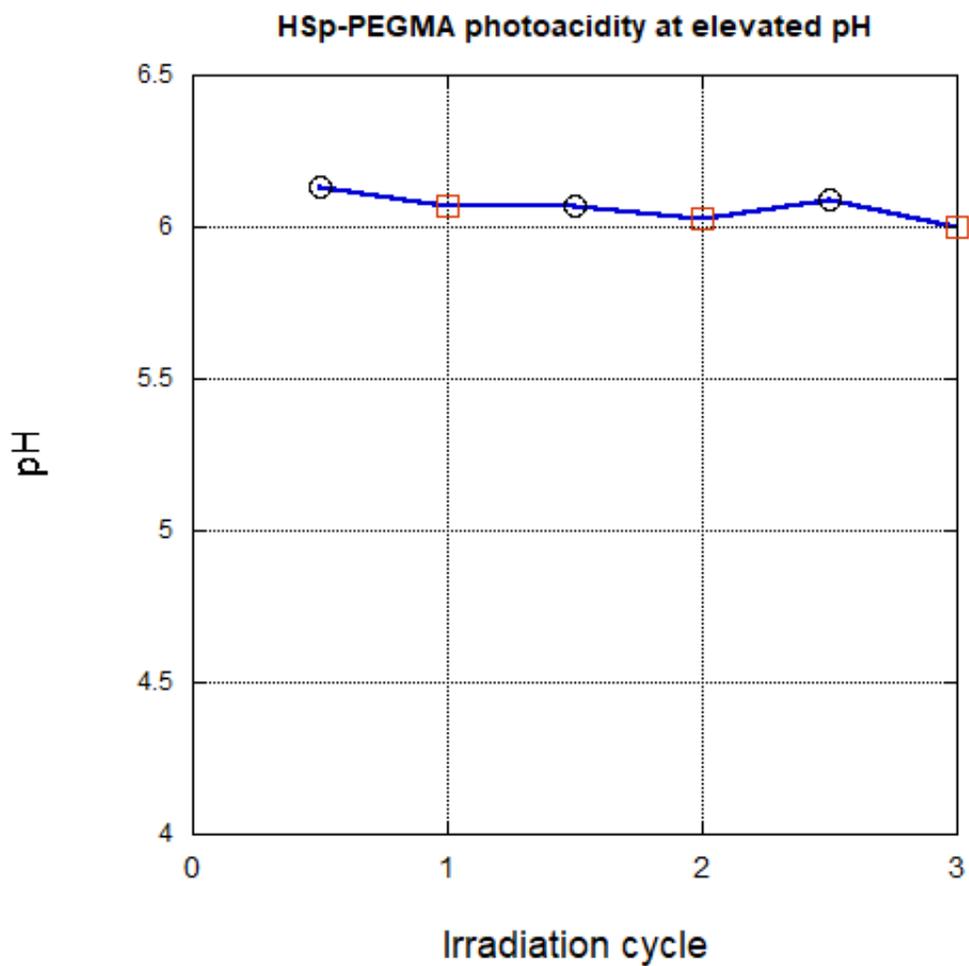


Figure S5. Ineffective photoacidity of **HSp-PEGMA** at $\text{pH} > 6$. Irradiations were performed with $\lambda > 295$ nm, for 10 minutes (yellow squares). Samples were allowed to recover solution pH in the dark over at minimum two hours (black circles).

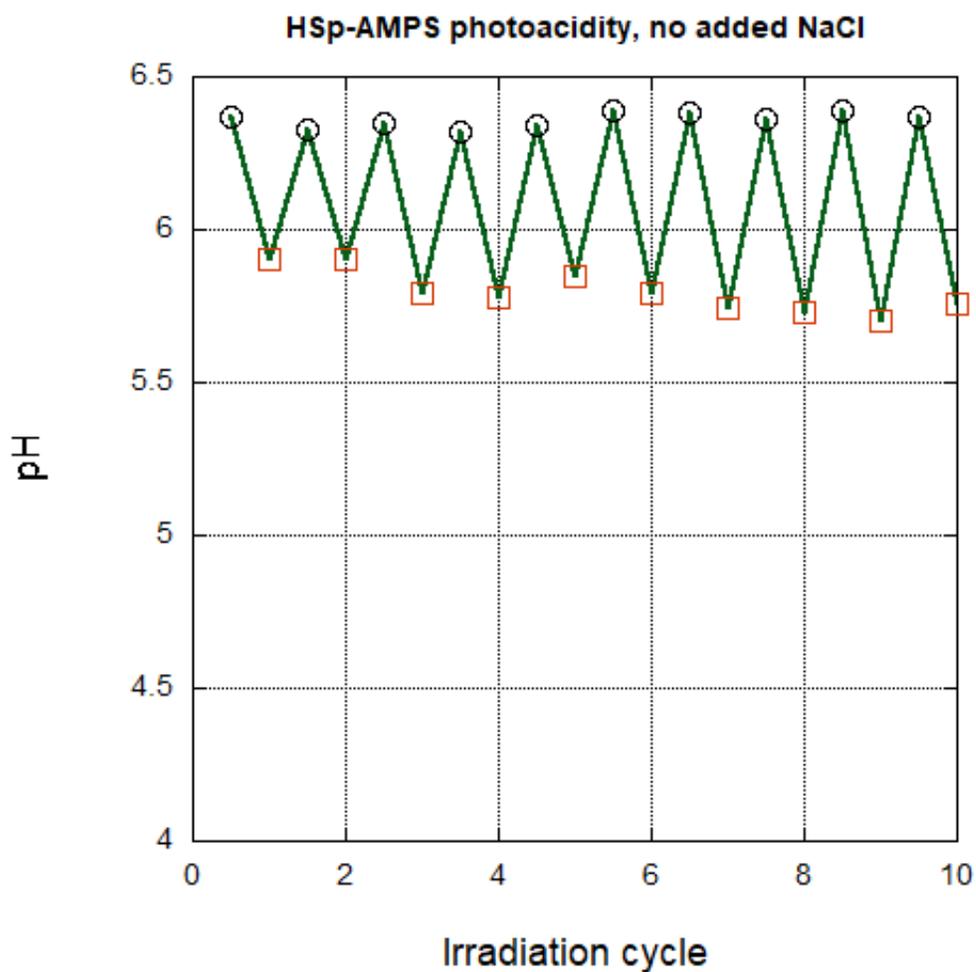


Figure S6. Photoacidity of **HSp-AMPS** in the absence of added NaCl. Irradiations were performed for 10 minutes with $\lambda > 295$ nm (yellow squares). Samples were allowed to recover solution absorbance in the dark for at minimum 30 minutes (black circles).

6. Extinction coefficients for PEGMA polymers

| | $\epsilon \text{ MCH}^+$ ($\text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$) |
|--------------------------|---|
| HSp-PEGMA | 31000 |
| NO ₂ Sp-PEGMA | 23000 |
| OMeSp-PEGMA | 27000 |