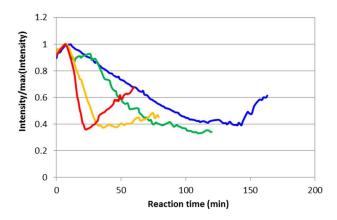
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## **Supporting Information**

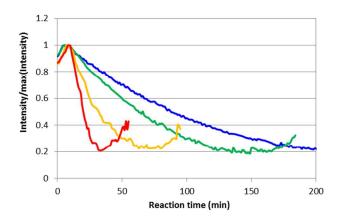
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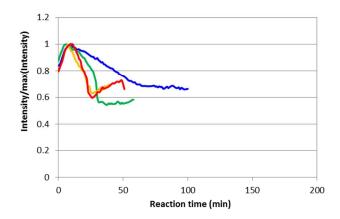
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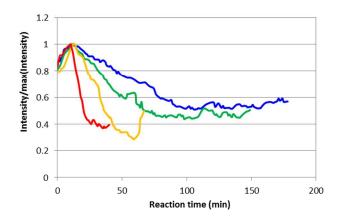
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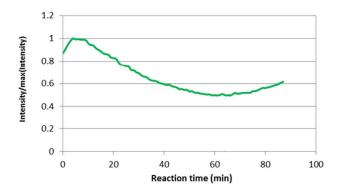
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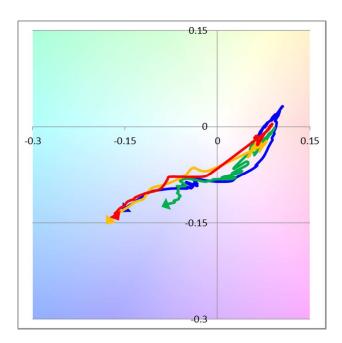
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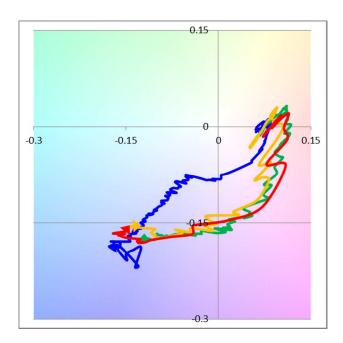
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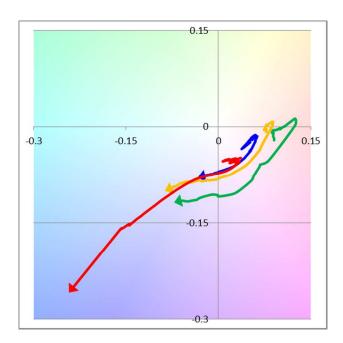
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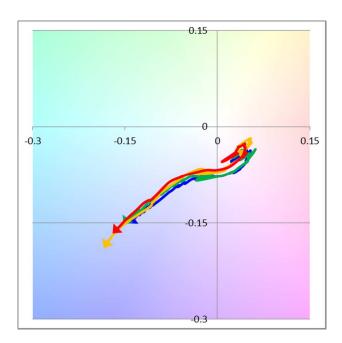
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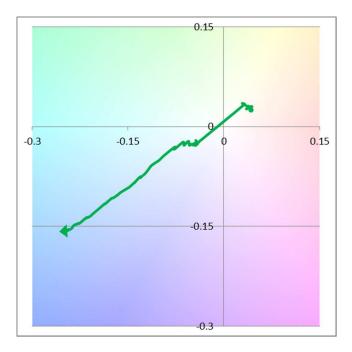
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**Figure S9.** Hue and Saturation trajectories in thermal cracking reactions of Safaniya VR at setpoint temperatures of 410 °C (blue), 420 °C (green), 435 °C (orange), and 450 °C (red).



**Figure S10.** Hue and Saturation trajectory in thermal cracking reactions of Pentane-Extracted Asphaltenes at setpoint temperature of 420 °C.