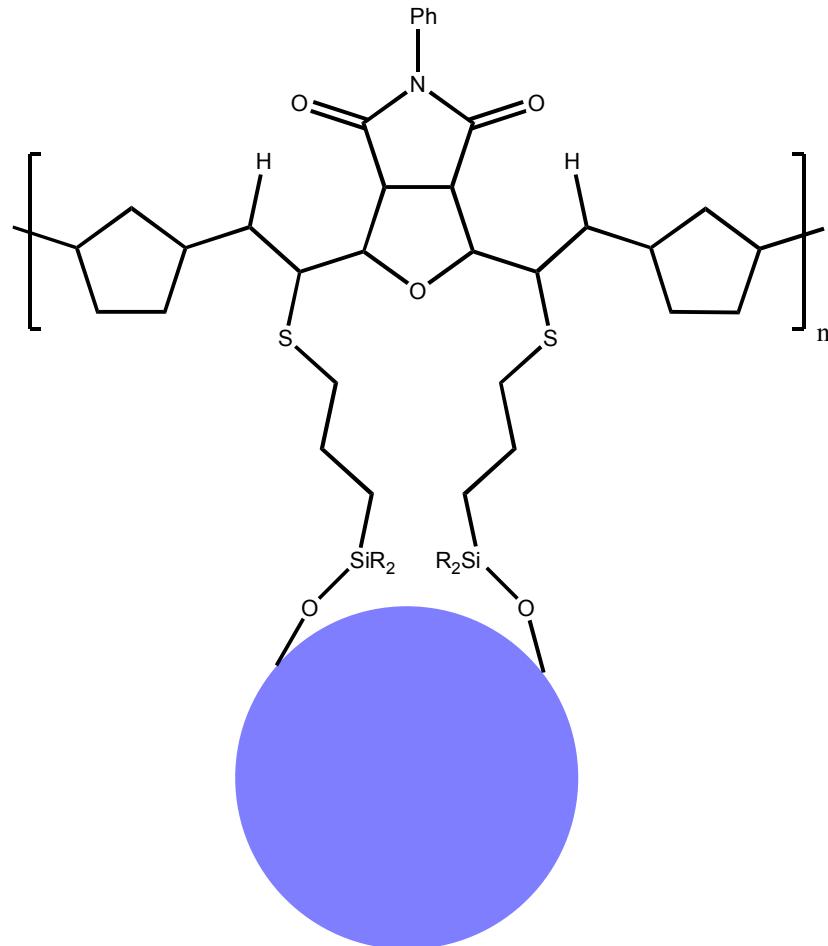


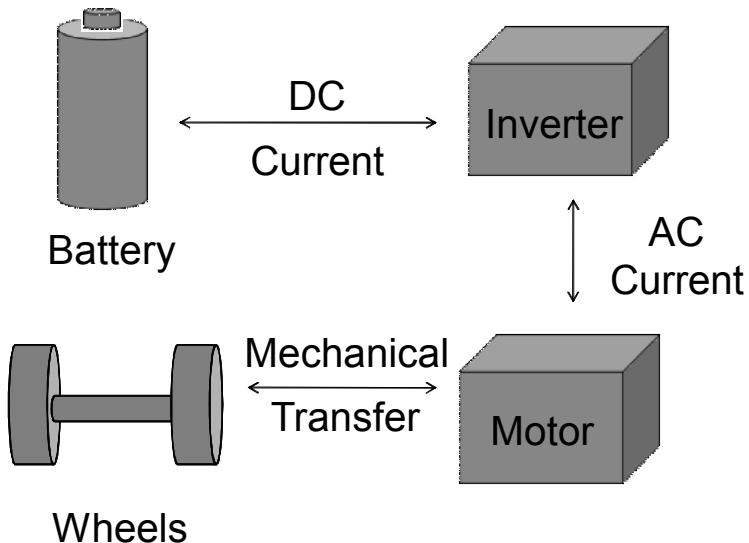
Functionalized Polymers for Dielectric Materials

Leah N. Appelhans



High Energy Density Capacitors

- electric trains
- solar, wind and water power generation systems
- hybrid and electric vehicles
- electric planes/ships
- pulsed-power applications



New dielectric materials needed with improved:

- energy density	<i>increase</i>	- breakdown strength
		<i>increase</i>
- dissipation factor	<i>decrease</i>	- dielectric permittivity
		<i>increase</i>
- cost	<i>decrease</i>	- operating range (T)
		<i>increase</i>



Bank of 138 μF Polymer Dielectric Film
Capacitors in 2004 Prius Inverter provide $>1000 \mu\text{F}$

Parallel Plate Capacitors

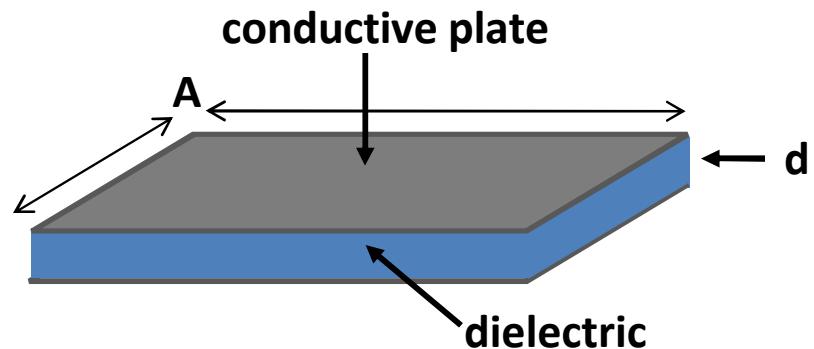
capacitance: *The amount of charge stored at a given potential difference*
 $C = Q/V$.

breakdown strength: *The electric field strength at which the failure of insulating properties occurs ($E_b = V_b/d$)*

dissipation factor: *the rate at which stored charge dissipates in a dielectric material due to electron conduction and dipole relaxation*

energy density: *the energy stored per unit volume* $U_e = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E^2$

The maximum energy density is
 $U_{e,max} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E_b^2$ *where E_b is the breakdown field strength.*



$$C = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r A/d$$

Polymer Dielectric Materials

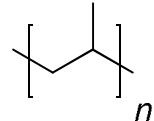
Advantages of Polymer Dielectrics

- high breakdown voltages
- soft failure
- cost
- flexibility
- ease of processing
- control of properties

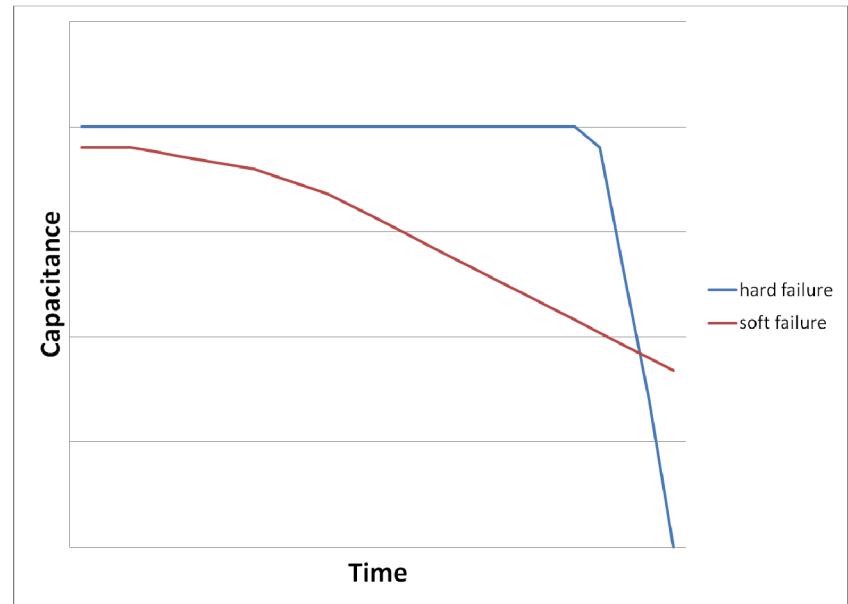
but...

- low dielectric permittivities
- low energy densities
- low T ranges

Biaxially Oriented Poly(propylene) (**BOPP**)
 energy density 1-1.5 J/cm³
 max temperature 105 °C



J. Bond, ECI, High Energy and Temperature Capacitors for Advanced Power Systems, 2007, Penn State University



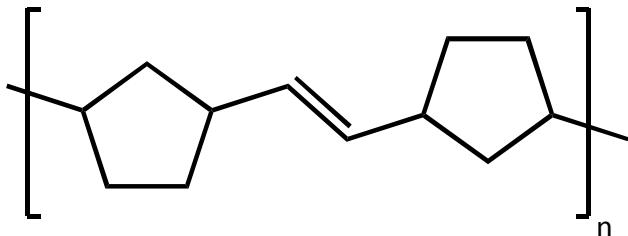
Increasing Energy Density

$$U_e = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E^2$$

-Increase breakdown strength

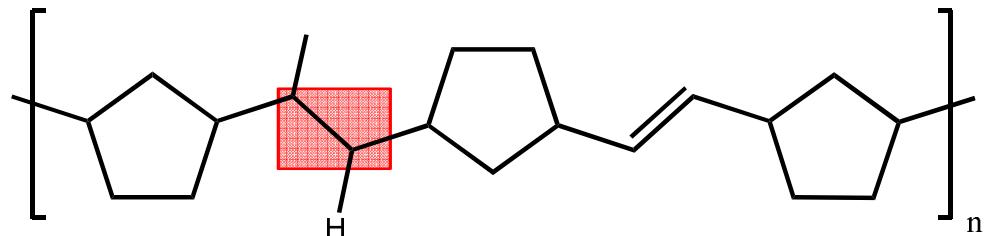
- remove reactive functional groups

poly(norbornene)



thermoset

functionalized poly(norbornene)



thermoplastic

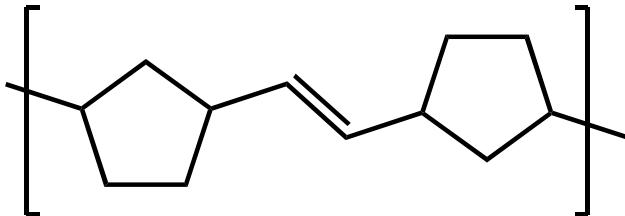
n

Increasing Energy Density

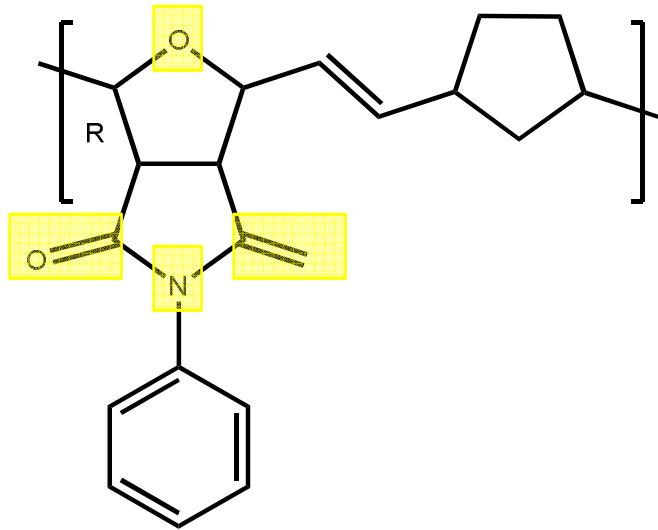
$$U_e = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E^2$$

- Increase relative permittivity
 - add polarizability

poly(norbornene)



poly(norbornene)-co-poly(PhONDI)

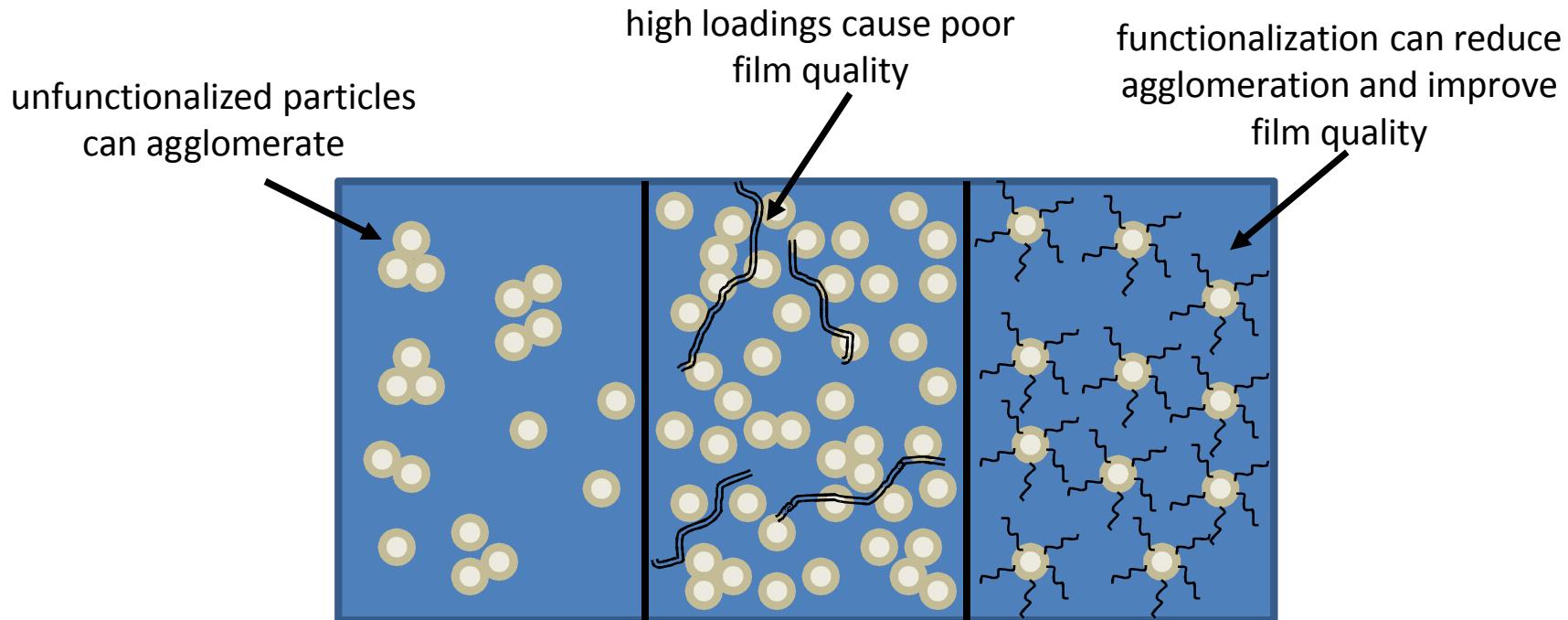


Increasing Energy Density: Composites

$$U_e = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E^2$$

-Increase relative permittivity

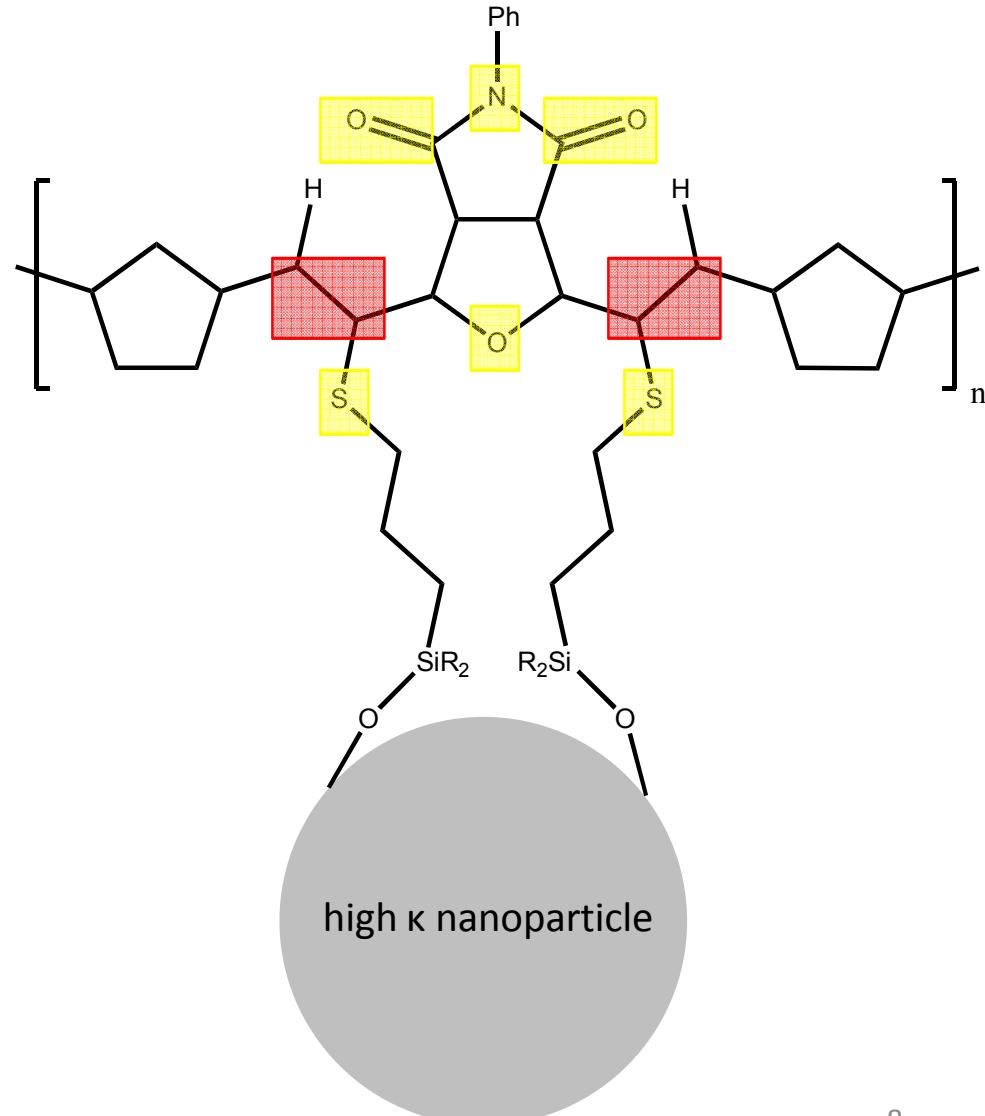
- composites of high κ inorganic dielectric materials and polymers can significantly increase permittivity relative to polymers alone



New Polymer Dielectric Materials

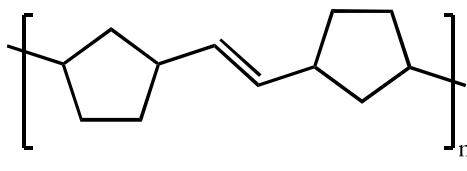
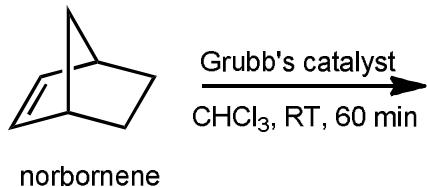
$$U_e = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E^2$$

- Increase breakdown strength by removing reactive double bonds
- Increase relative permittivity by adding polarizable groups
- Increase relative permittivity by incorporating functionalized np's *covalently* into polymer matrix
- stable to 140 °C
- good solution stability
- good mechanical properties
- inexpensive

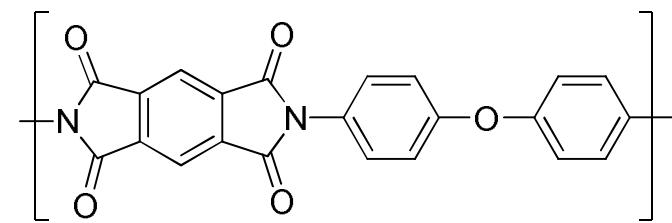
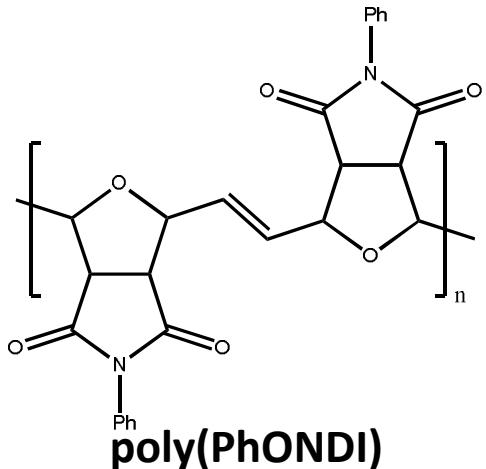
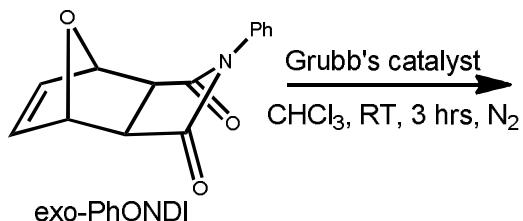
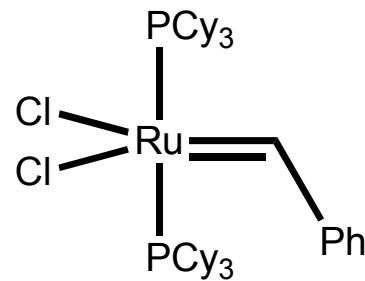


ROMP Polymers

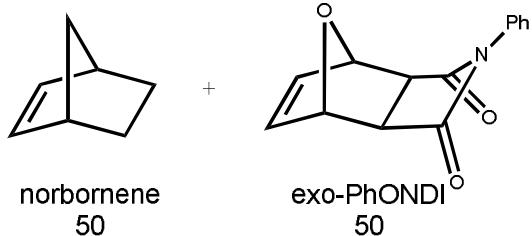
Ring-opening metathesis polymerization



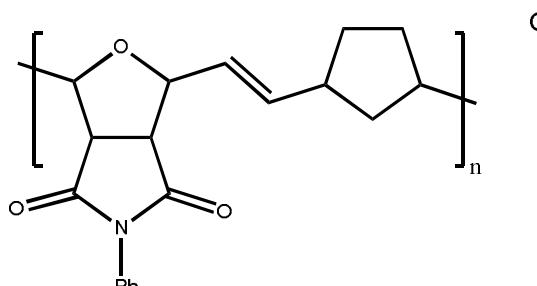
simple
inexpensive
 $T_g \approx 45^\circ\text{C}$



Kapton: $\kappa=4.0$, low DF, stable to 180 °C



Grubb's catalyst
CHCl₃, RT, 2 hrs



co-poly(nbe)-poly(PhONDI)

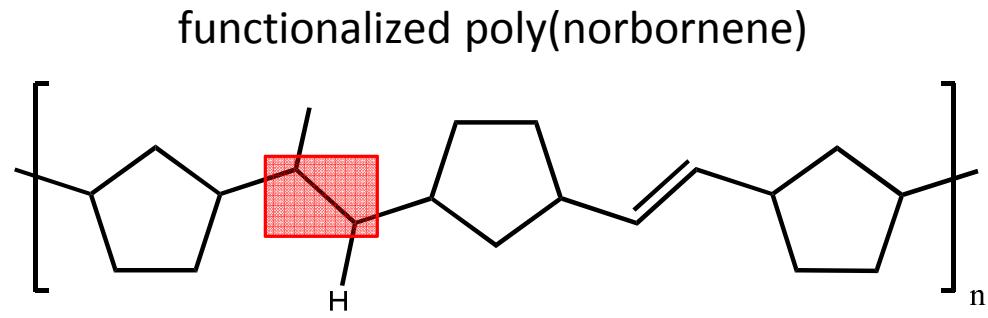
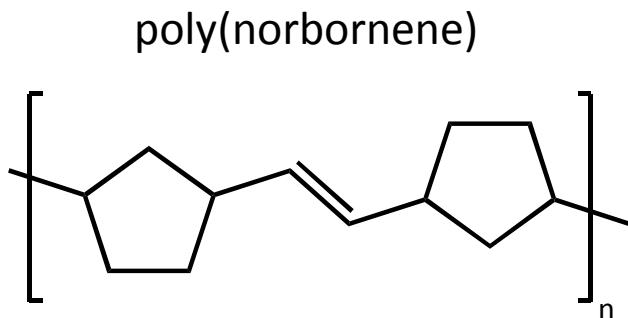
best mechanical
properties
 $T_g \approx 170^\circ\text{C}$

Increasing Energy Density

$$U_e = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 E^2$$

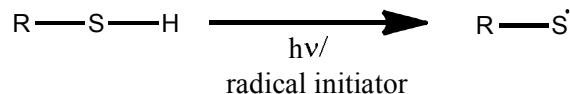
-Increase breakdown strength

- remove reactive functional groups

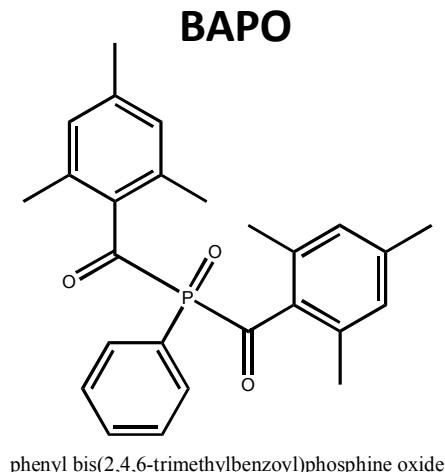
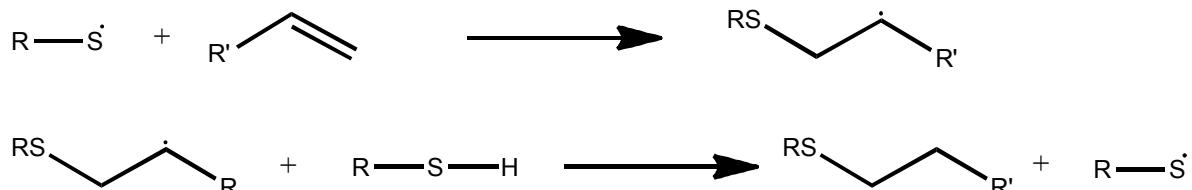


Alkene Functionalization: Radical Thiol-Ene Reaction

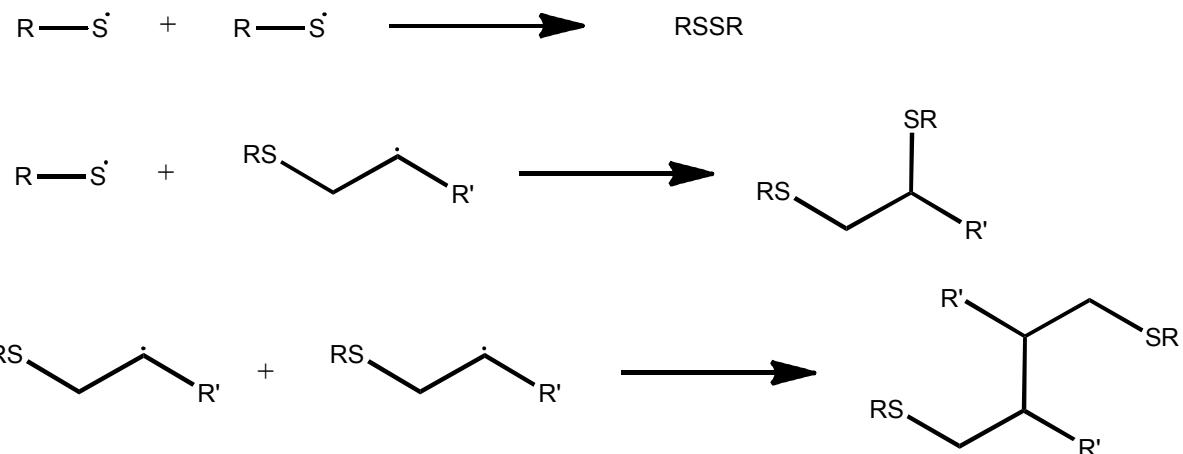
Initiation



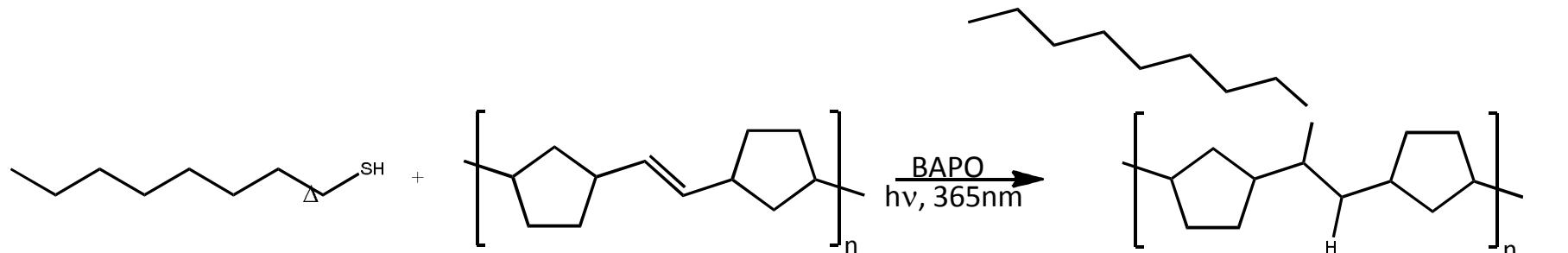
Propagation



Termination

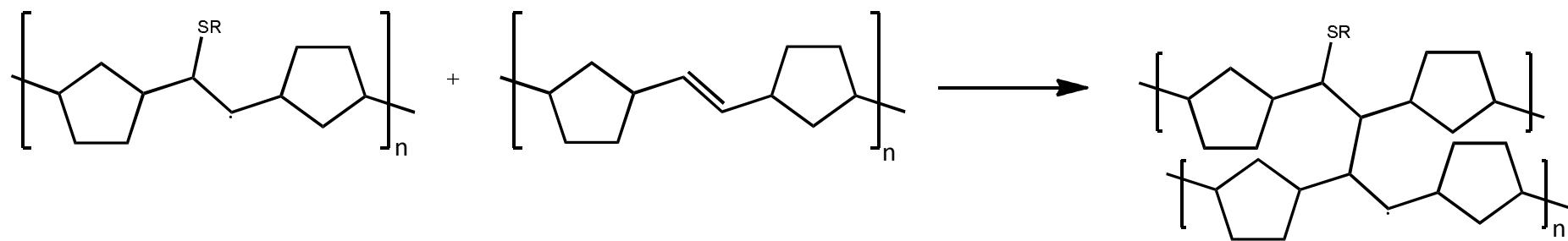


Poly(nbe) Thiol-ene



yields insoluble GEL

Crosslinking?

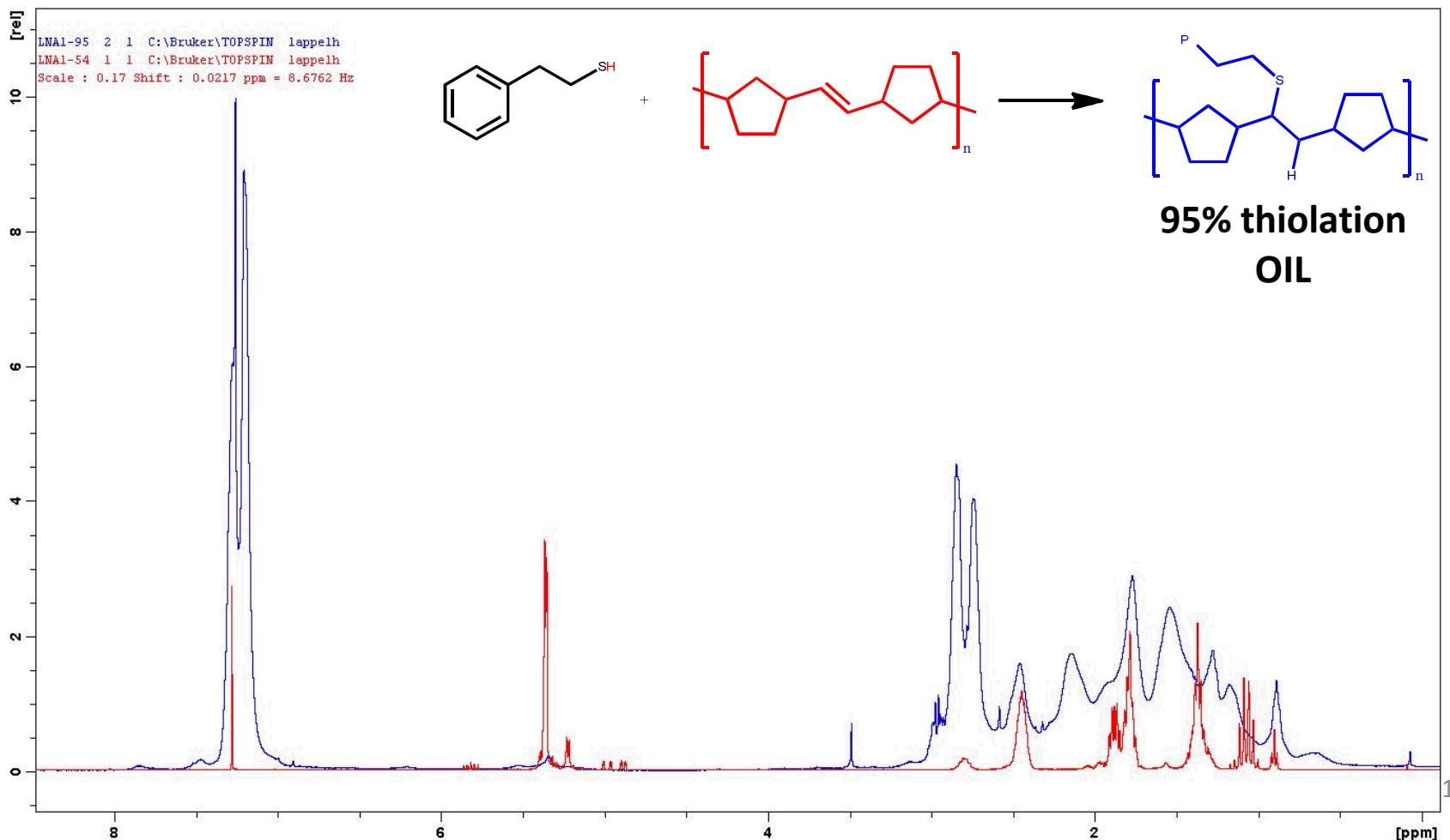


Poly(nbe) Thiol-ene: low M_N

-polymerization with a chain transfer agent yields a low M_N polymer (~ 3000)

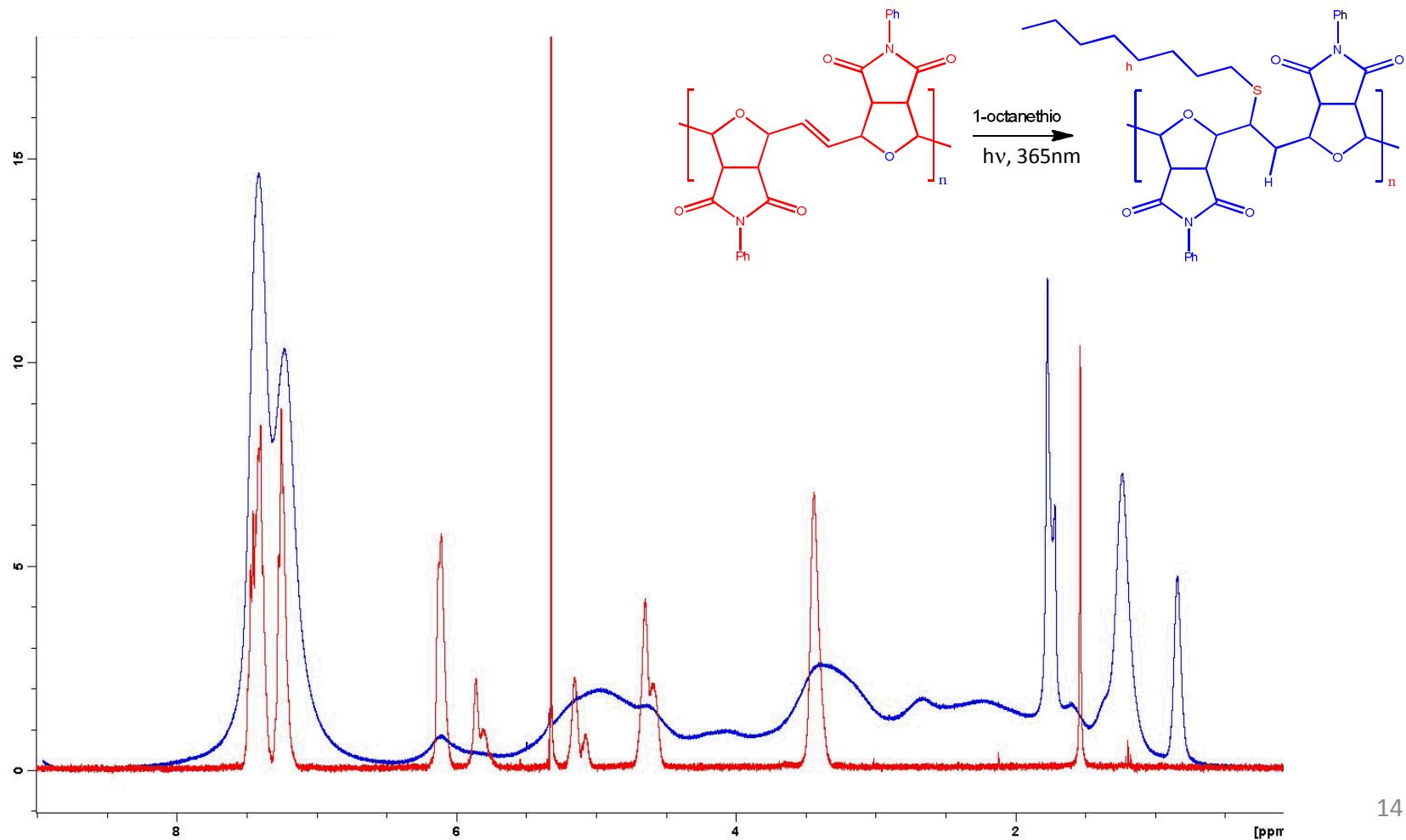
s

-reaction of low M_N polymer in neat thiol yields non-crosslinked highly thiolated polymers but.... they are oils.

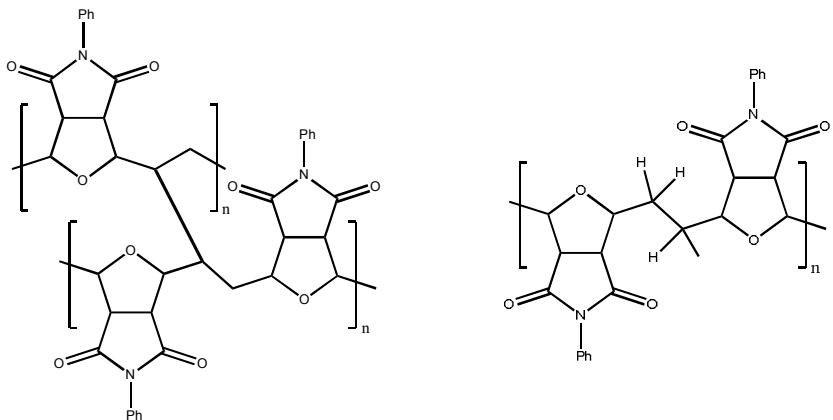
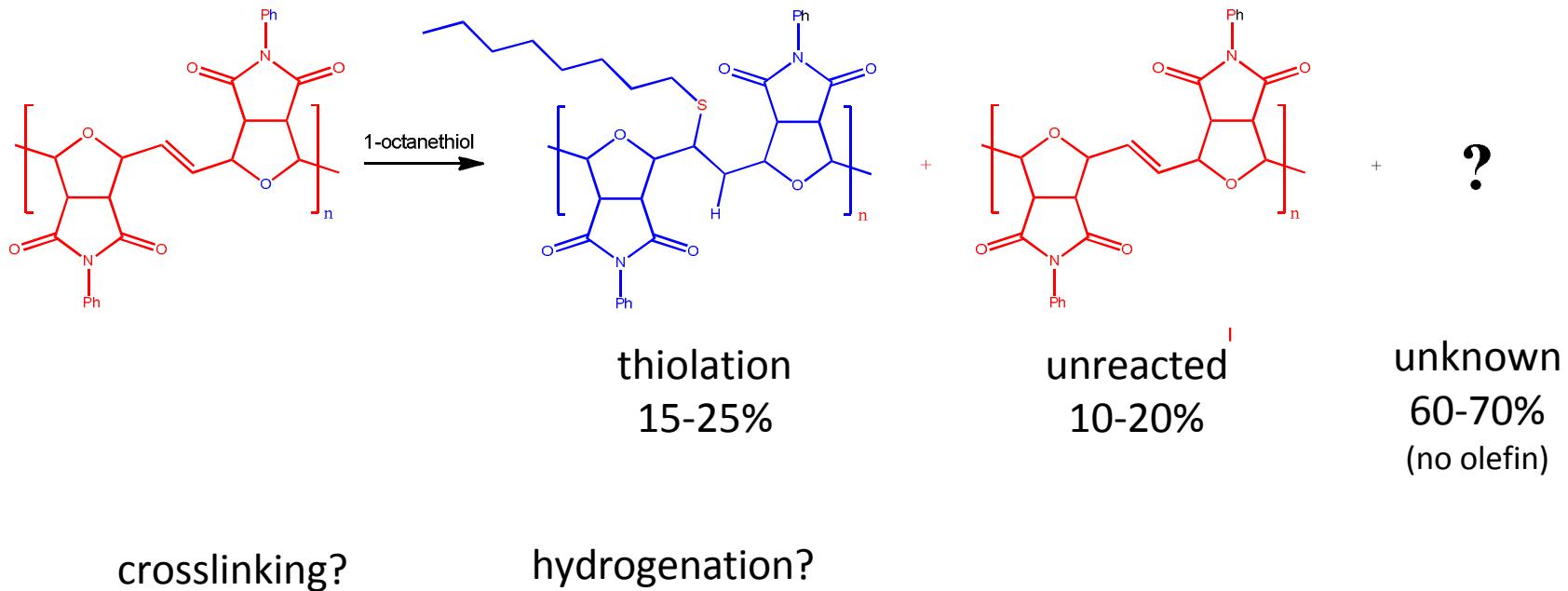


Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene

- poly(PhONDI) more stable than poly(nbe), less crosslinking?
- thiol-ene reaction yields a soluble polymer with ~15-25% thiolation



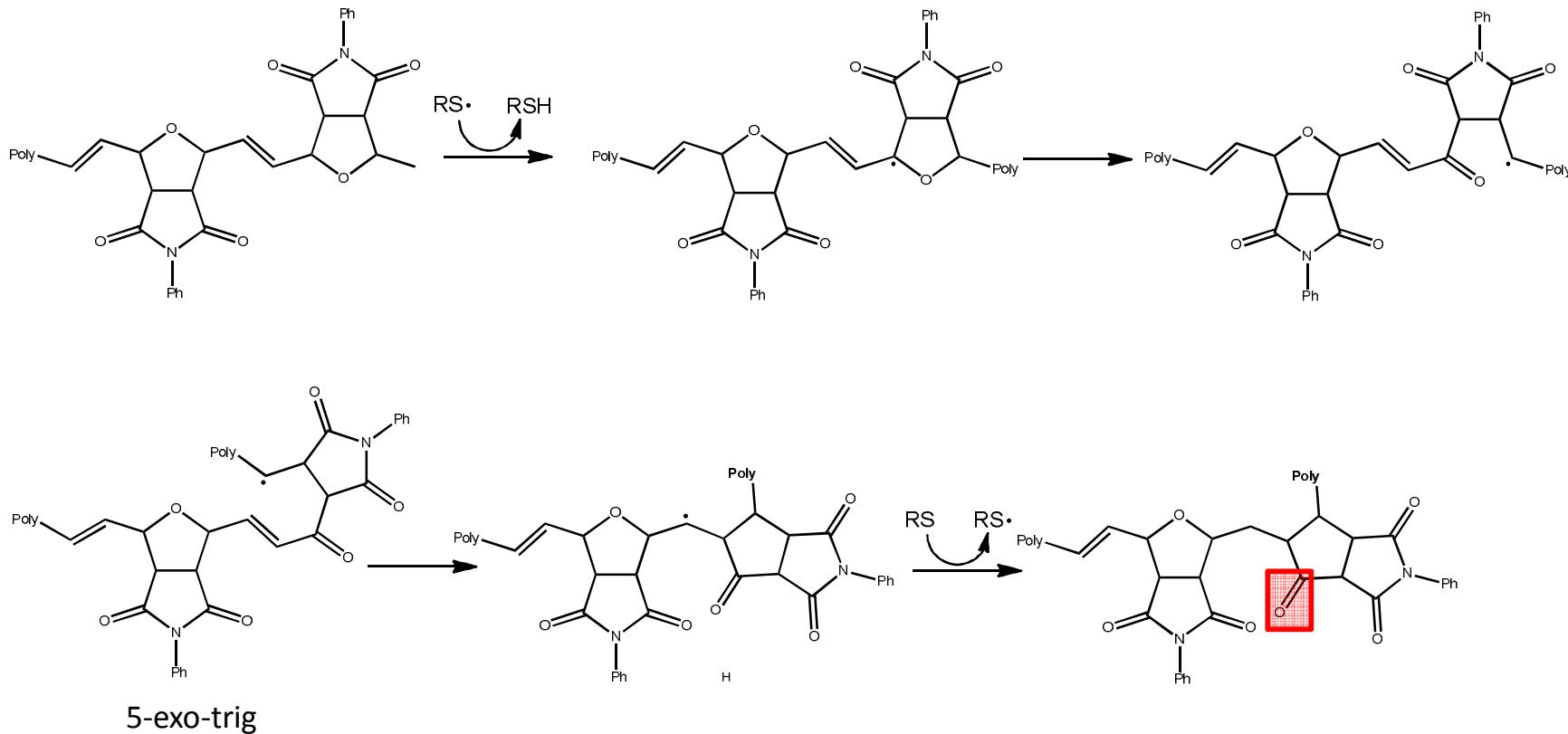
Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene



- insoluble in CHCl_3
- brittle films
- higher T_g
- soluble in CH_2Cl_2

Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene

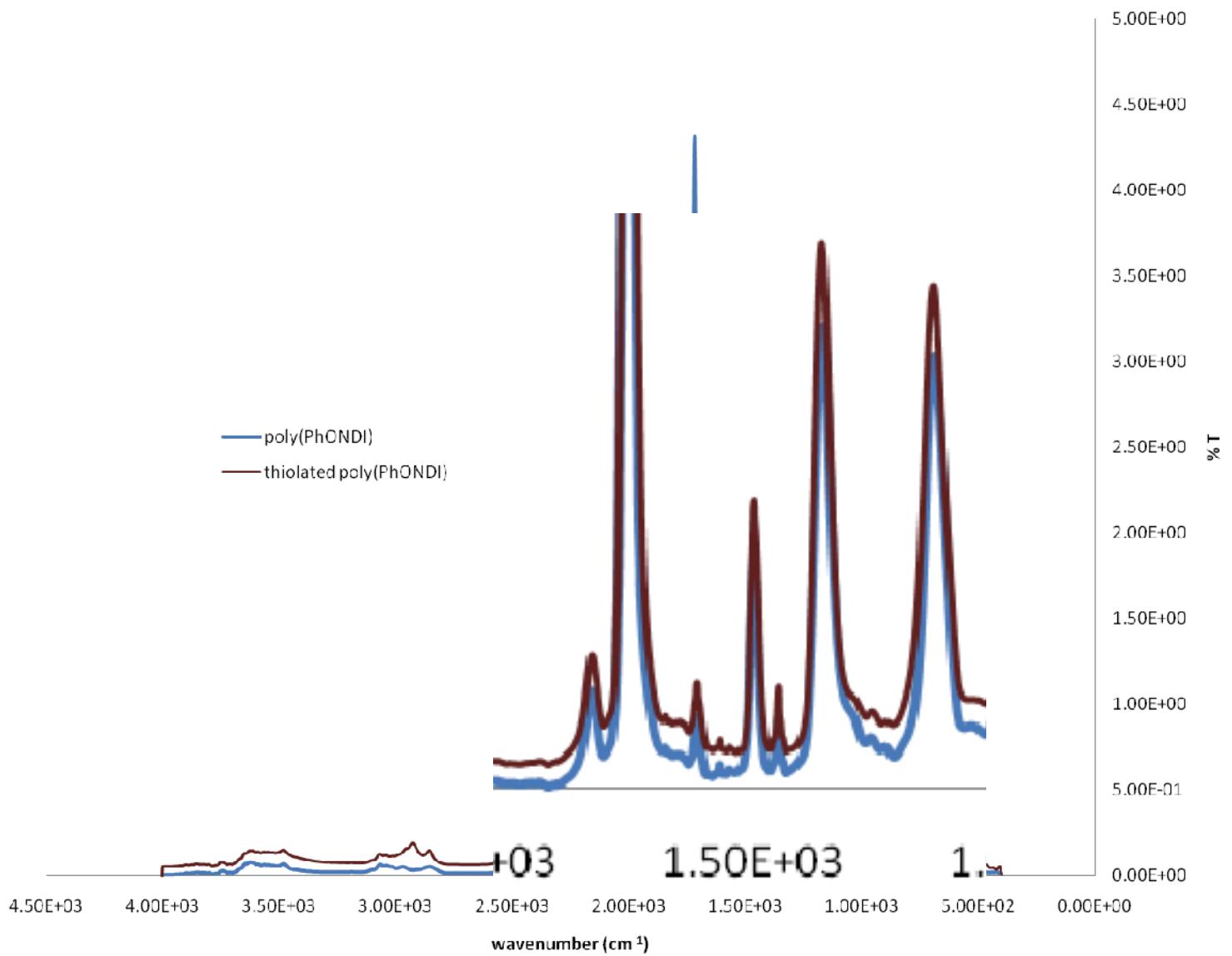
- radical H-abstraction at the stable allylic position rather than the olefin



ketone = 1725-1705 cm^{-1}
 amide = 1690-1650 cm^{-1}

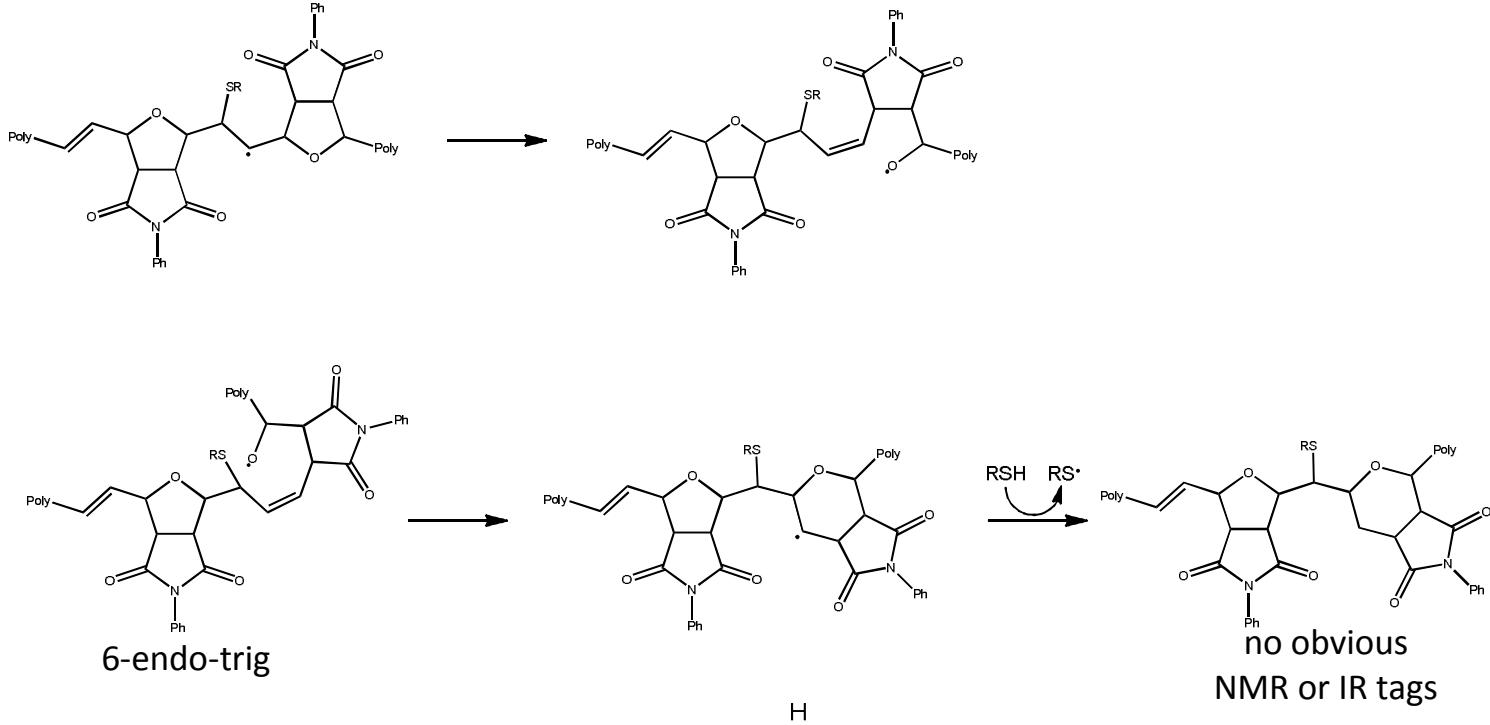
Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene

IR Spectra Comparison

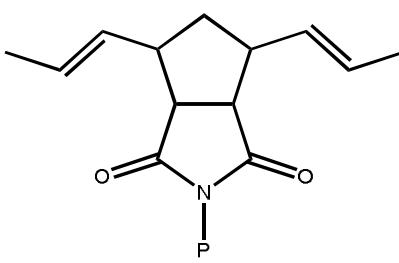
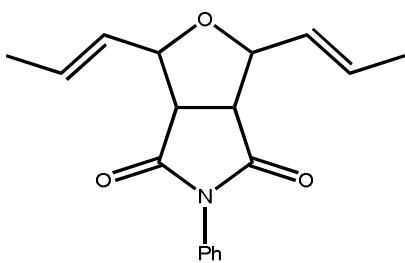


Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene

- formation of an O-centered radical leading to 6-endo-trig cyclization



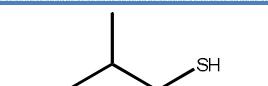
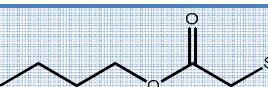
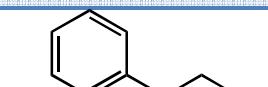
- model compounds



Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene Reaction

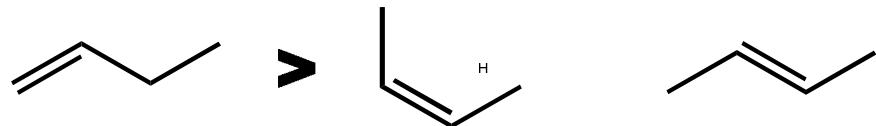
- thiol-ene reaction variability

	% unreacted	% thiolated	% unknown	total % olefin consumed
1	22	15	63	78
2	27	12	61	73
3	16	16	69	85
4	20	13	67	80

Thiol	% unreacted	% thiolated	% unknown	total % olefin consumed
	20	13	67	80
	14	16	70	86
	6	21	73	94
	6	26 _h	68	94

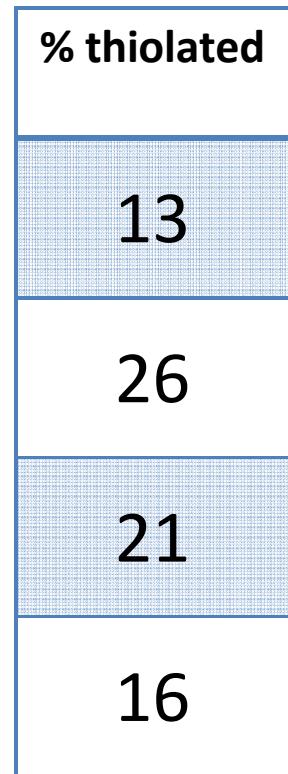
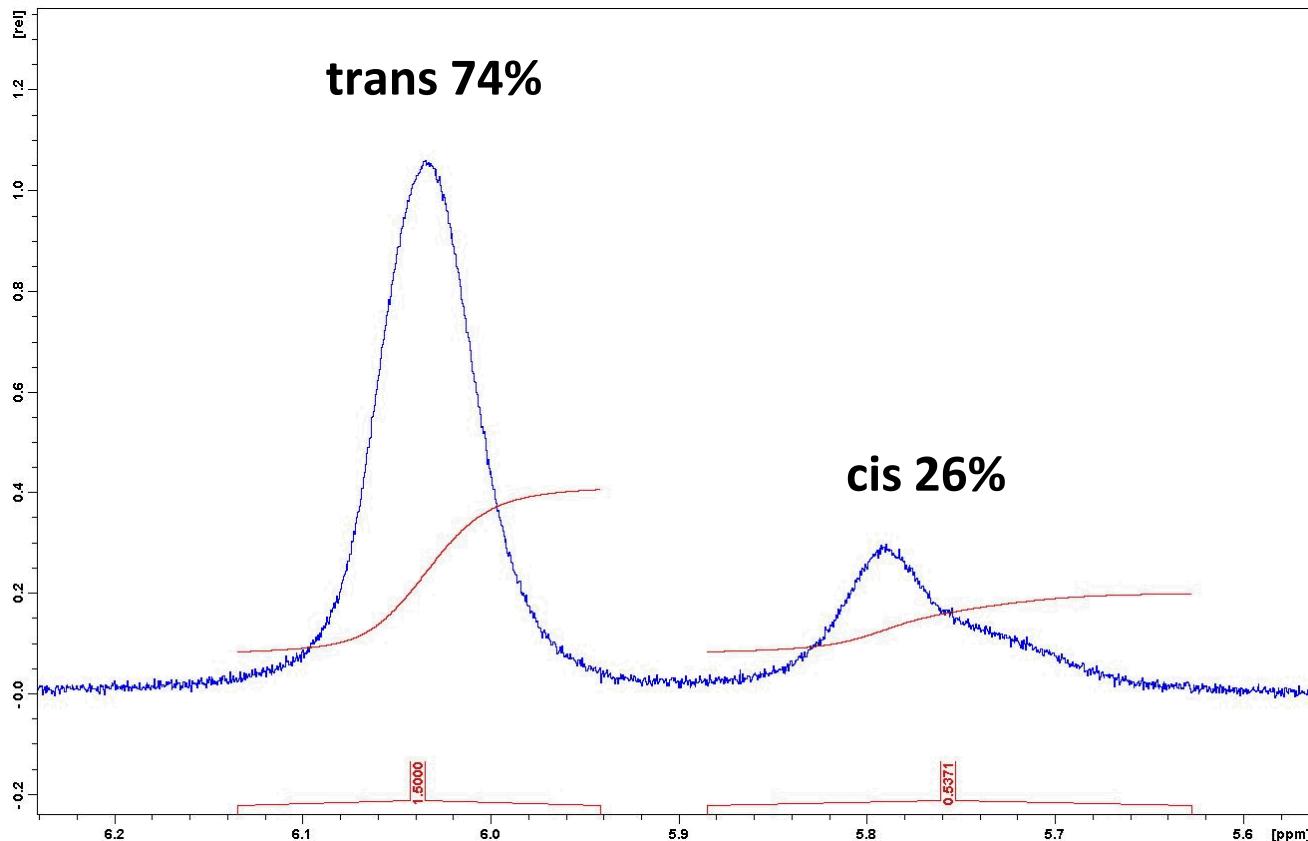
Poly(PhONDI) Thiol-ene Reaction

Thiol-ene activity



C.E. Hoyle, et.al. J. Poly. Science: Part A, **2004**, 42, 5301–5338

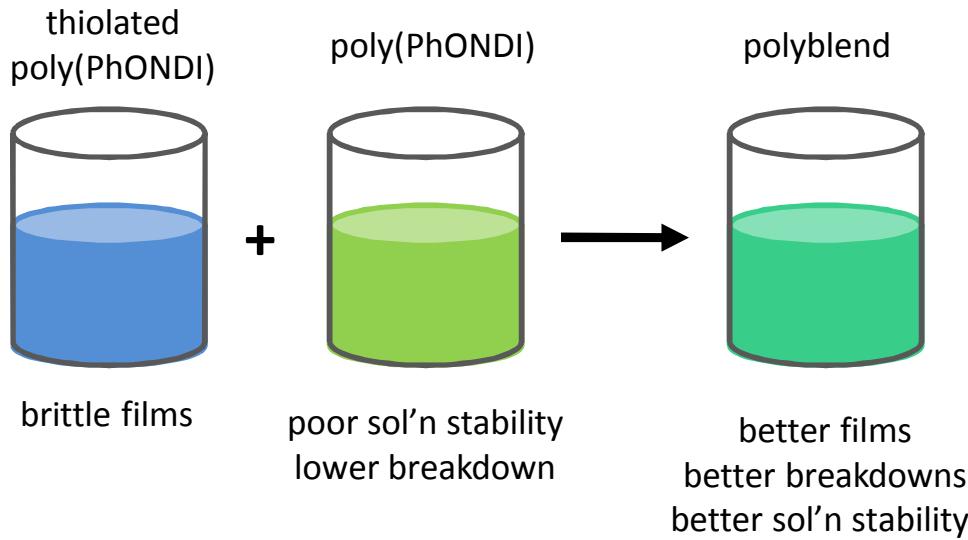
Cis:trans selectivity in PhONDI ROMP



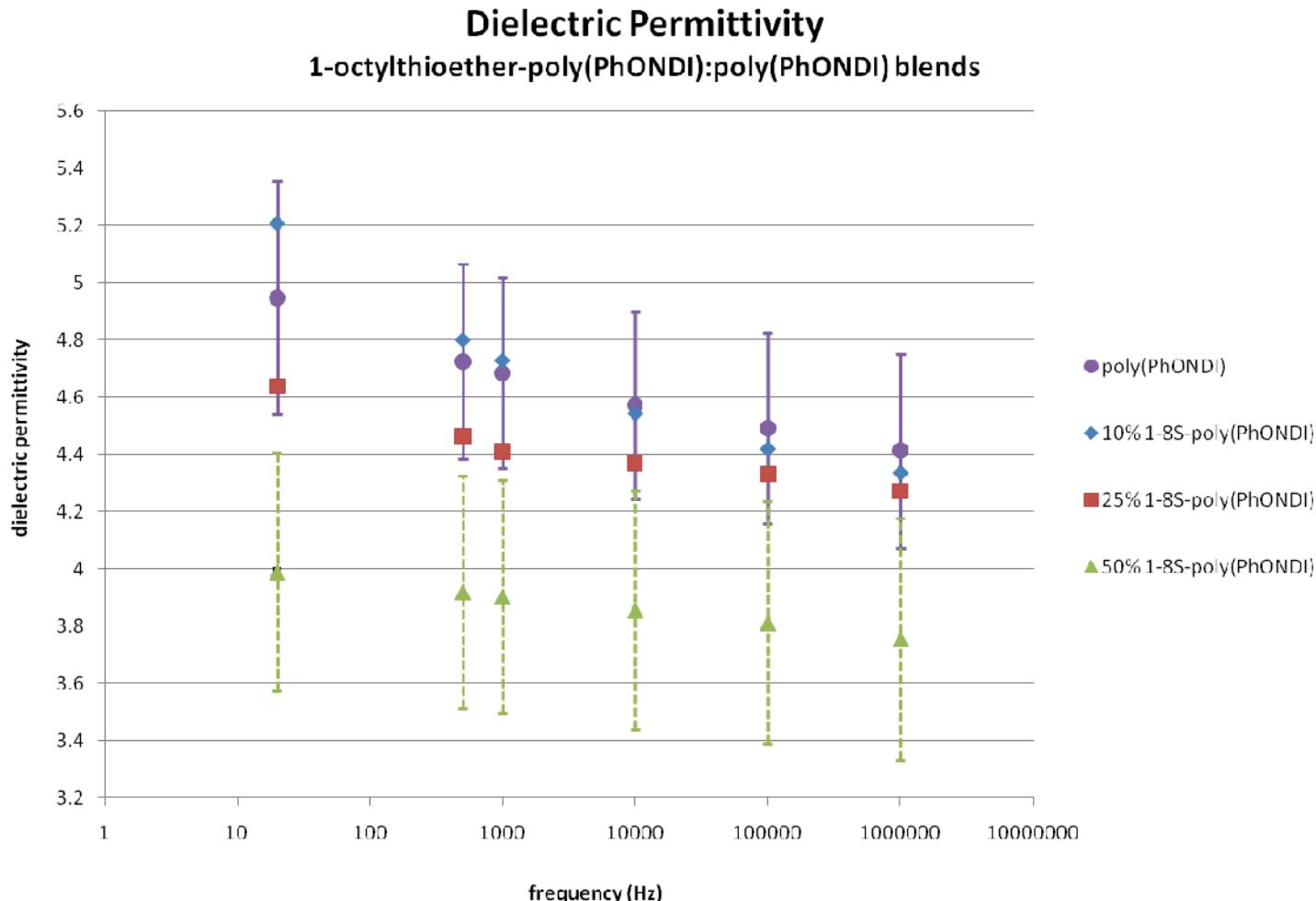
Poly(PhONDI) Polyblend Films

- pure thiolated polymers are too brittle to make a film
- blend with poly(PhONDI) to improve mechanical characteristics
- measure dielectric permittivity and breakdown strength

- cast by drawdown machine from dichloroethane/dichloromethane
- ensure films are free of small molecules (solvents)
- sputter coat 50nm Au back electrode
- sputter coat 50nm Au front electrodes, 6.3mm diameter

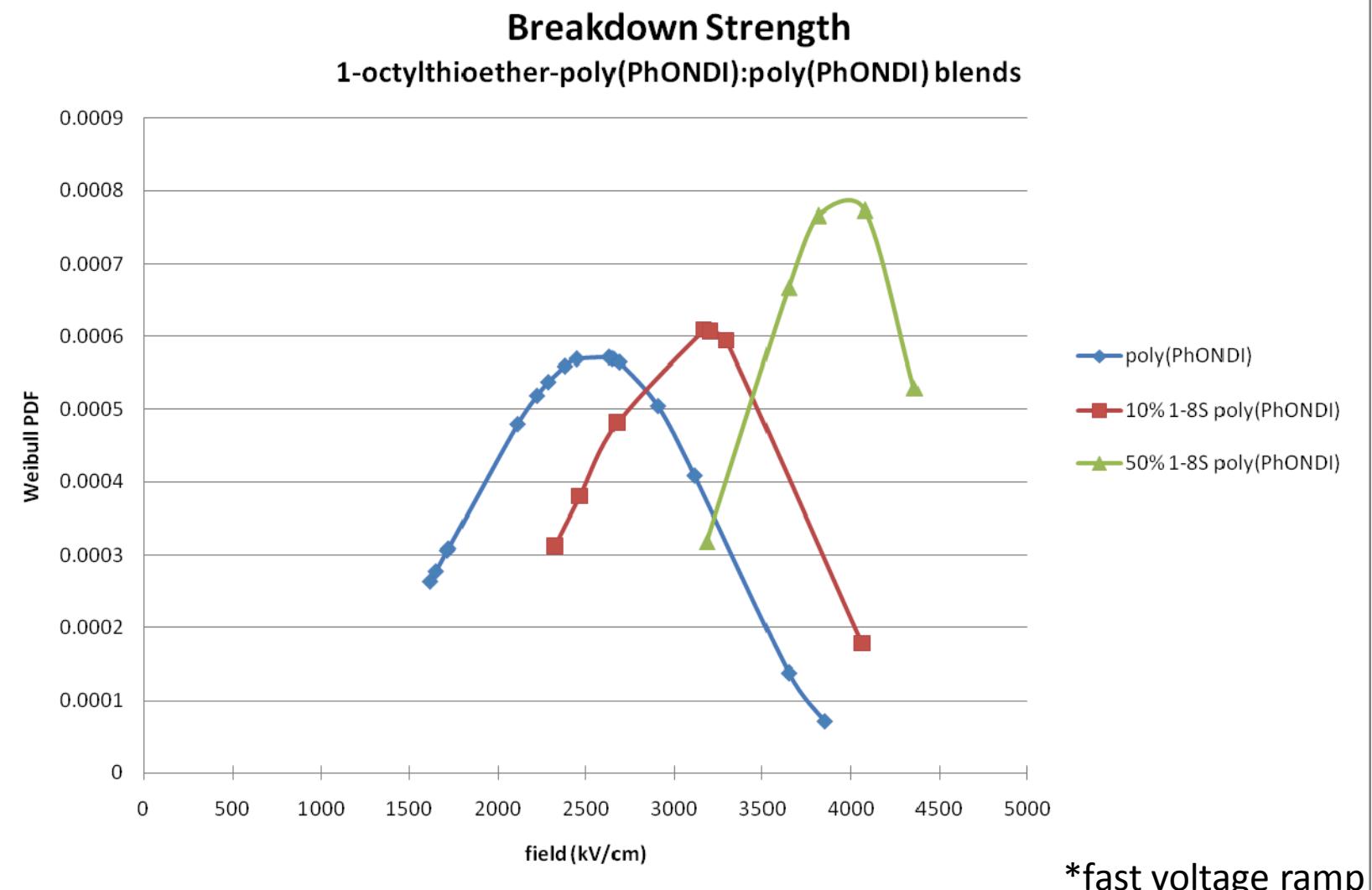


Poly(PhONDI) Polyblend Films



- dielectric permittivity decreases with increasing % thiolated polymer due to removal of double bonds, but not substantially
- addition of thioether functionality may compensate for loss of olefins

Poly(PhONDI) Polyblend Films



- breakdown strength increases with increasing % thiolated polymer due to removal of double bonds

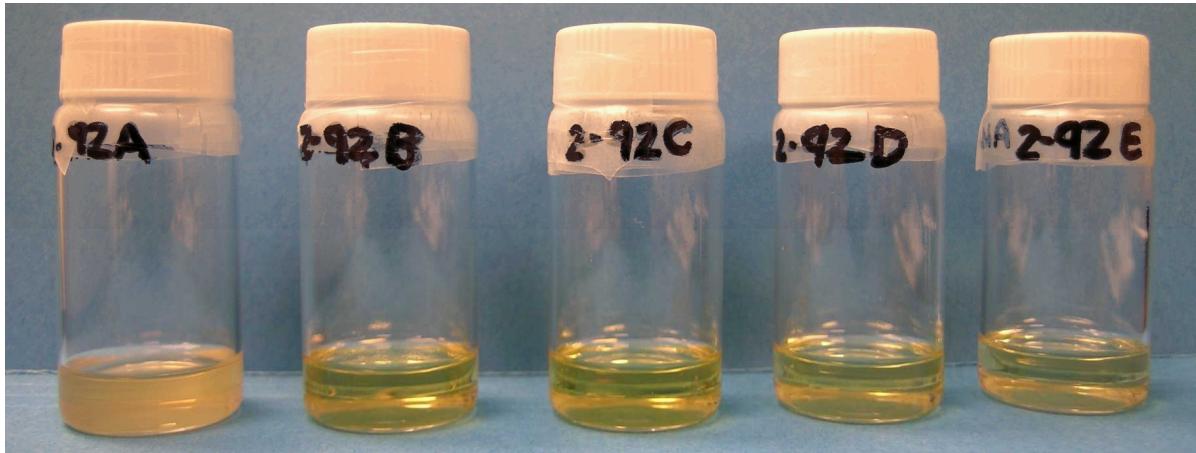
Poly(PhONDI) Polyblend Films

Energy Density 1 kHz

film	E_b (kV/cm)*	ϵ_r (1 kHz)	U_o (J/cm ³)
poly(PhONDI)	2729.95	4.57	3.02
10% 1-8S	3276.89	4.54	4.32
50% 1-8S	4017.25	3.86	5.52

*fast voltage ramp

7wt% in dichloromethane, 21 days



poly(PhONDI)

75:25

50:50

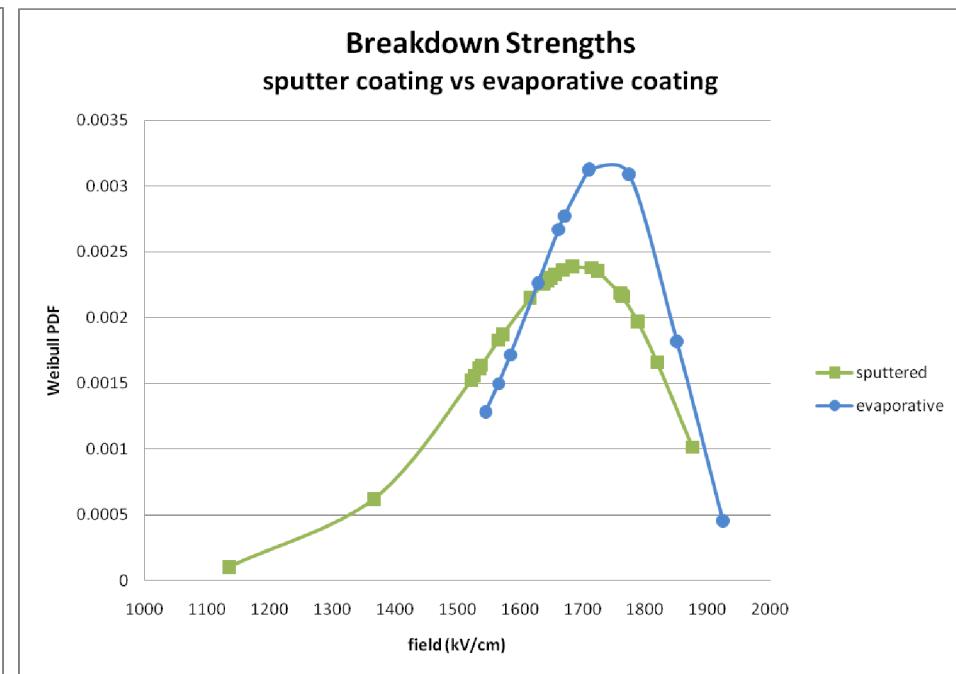
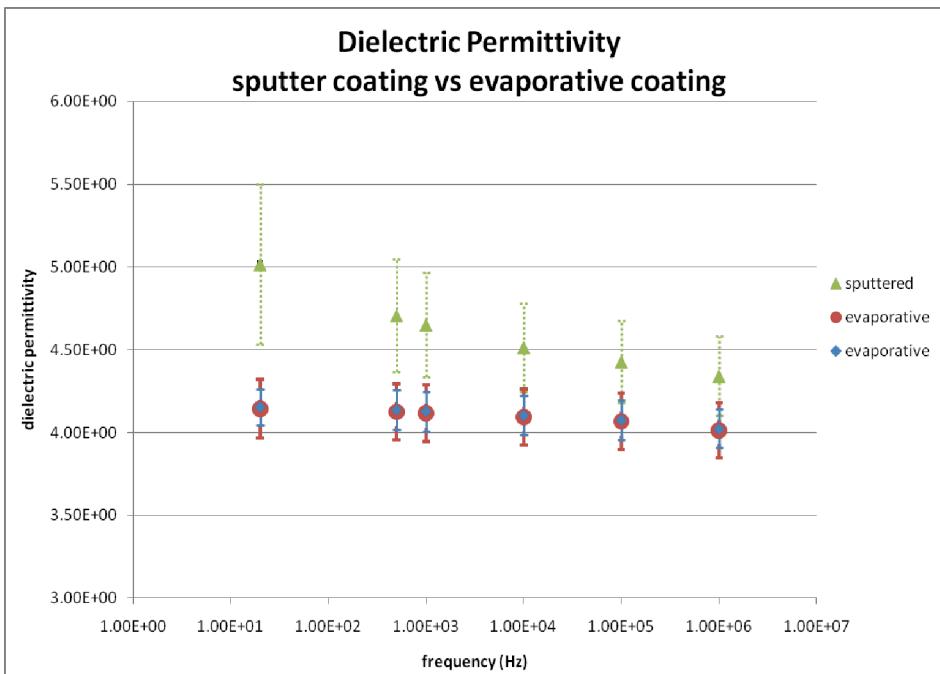
25:75

1-8S-poly(PhONDI)

- polyblends have higher breakdown strengths/energy densities
- polyblends are significantly more stable in solution
- high % films are still brittle

Coating Methods

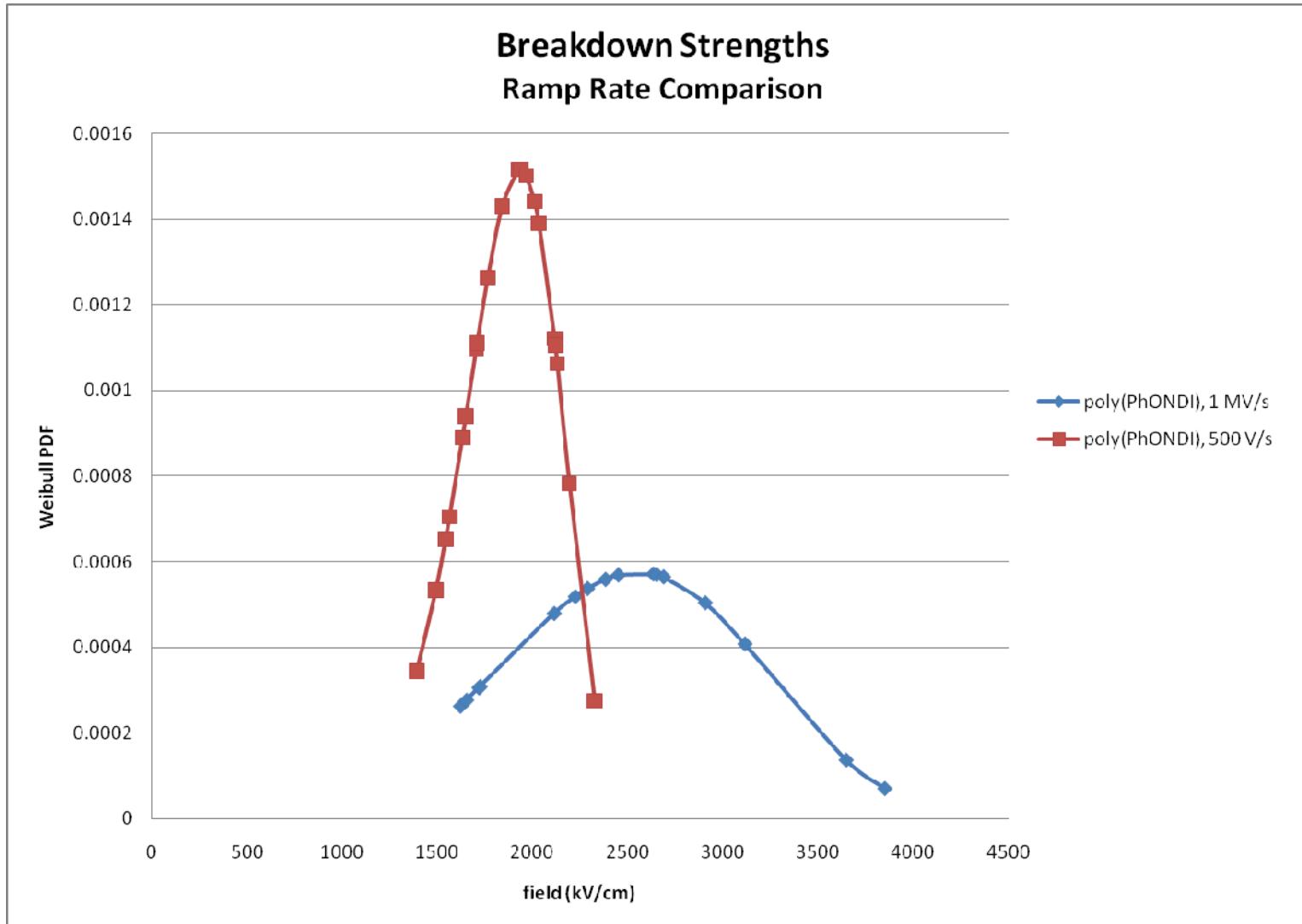
- sputter coating
- e-beam evaporative coating



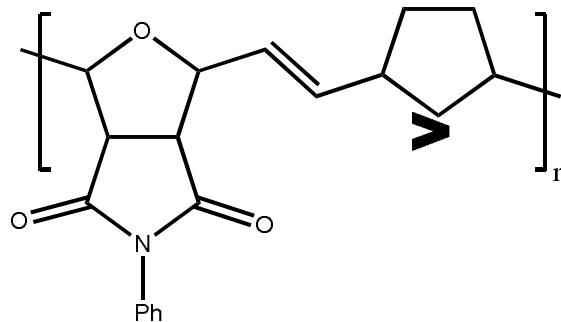
- sputter coating can lead to Au or Ar atom implantation in the film, affecting dielectric properties

Breakdown Measurements

- ramp rate can make breakdown strengths appear artificially high
- changed ramp rate for measurements from 1 MV/s to 500 V/s



Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends



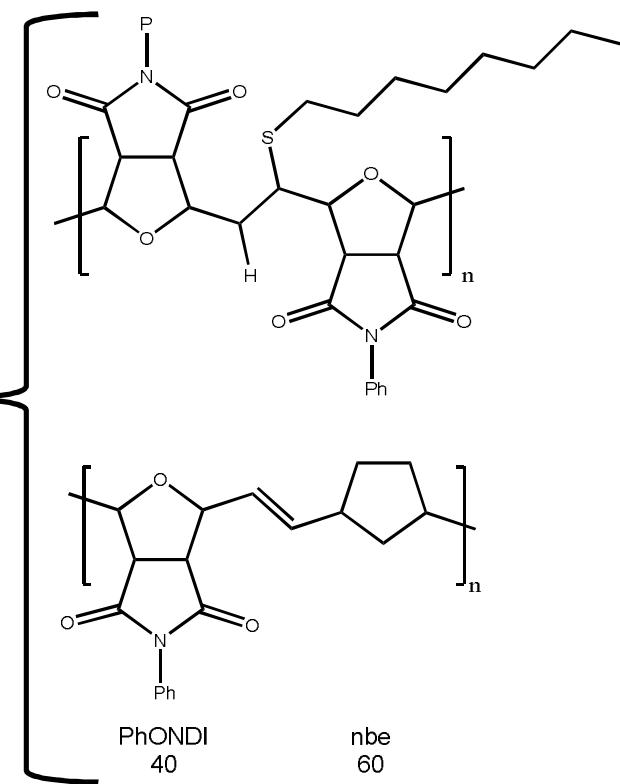
1-octanethiol
BAPO, 365nm

insoluble gel

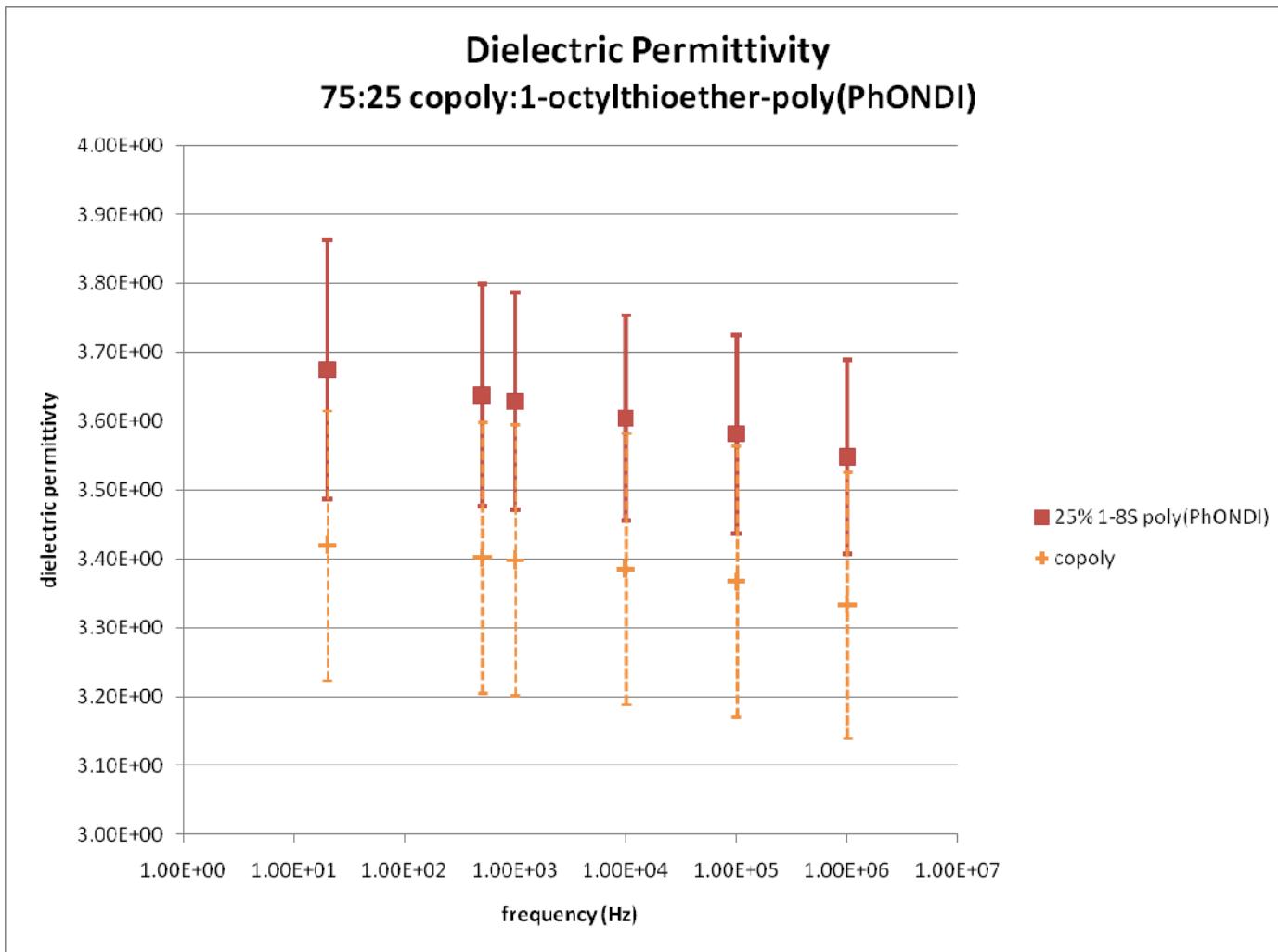
PhONDI 40 nbe 60
co-poly(nbe)-poly(PhONDI)

- copoly also crosslinks in UV thiol-ene reaction
- make polyblends with thiolated poly(PhONDI) and copolymer
- improved mechanical properties vs poly(PhONDI) polyblends

copoly/S-PhONDI
polyblend

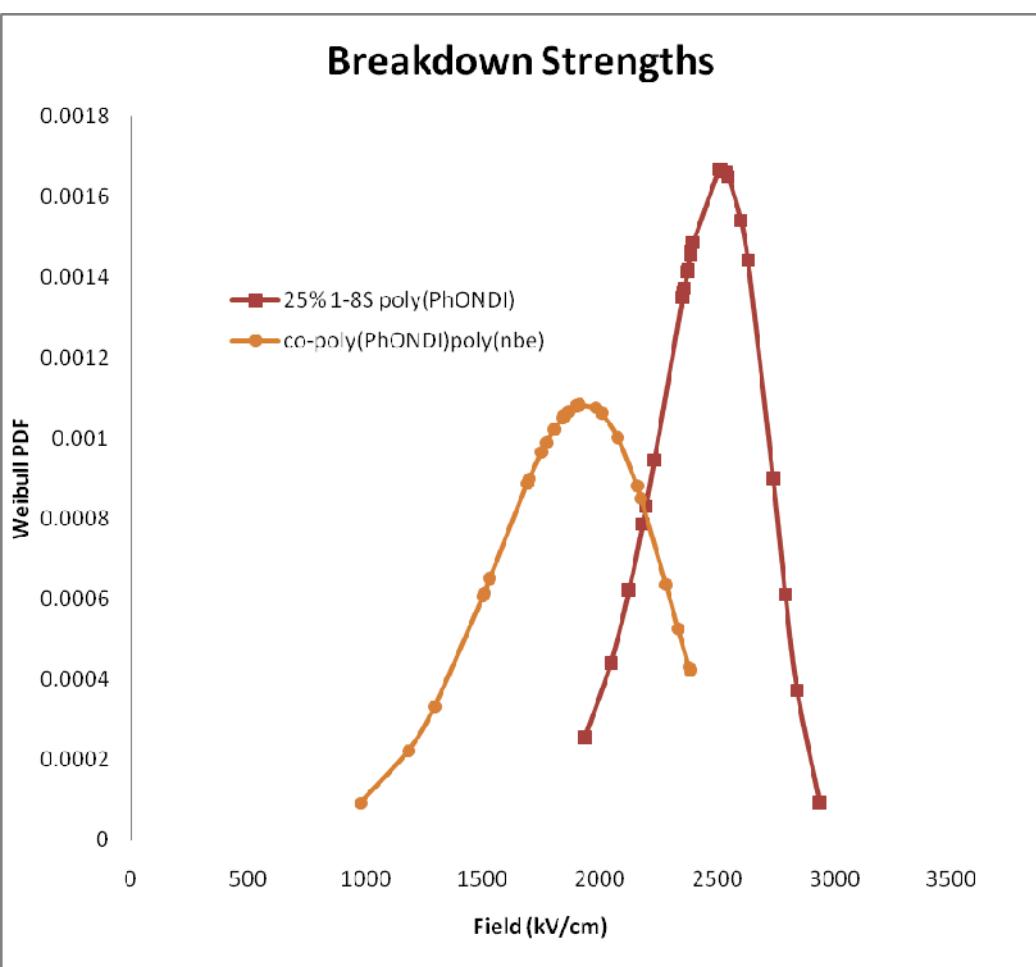


Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends



- dielectric permittivity is approximately the same for the blend compared to the unmodified copolymer
- the addition of thioether functionalities and a % of unreacted poly(PhONDI) compensates for the decrease expected due to removal of olefins

Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends



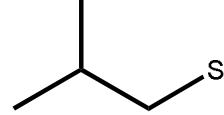
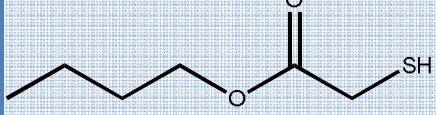
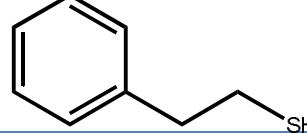
- breakdown strengths of the polyblend increase relative to the unmodified copolymer
- increased breakdown strengths combined with similar dielectric permittivity yield increased energy density

Energy Density 1 kHz

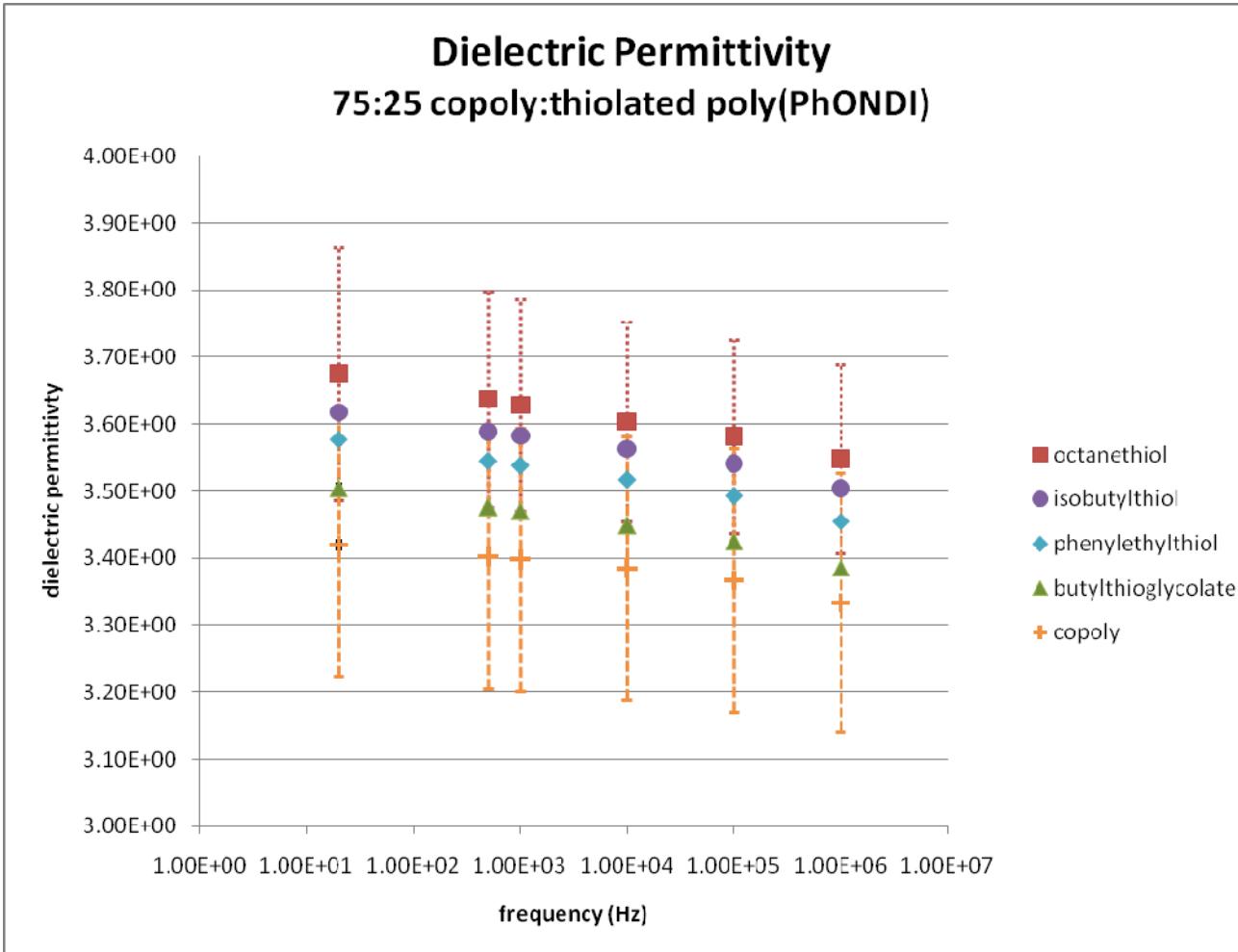
film	E_b (kV/cm)	ϵ_r (1 kHz)	U_o (J/cm ³)
copolymer	1999.96	3.39	1.20
octanethiol	2535.61	3.57	2.03

Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends

- make polyblend films with thiolated polymers of a variety of thiols to see if there is an effect on dielectric properties

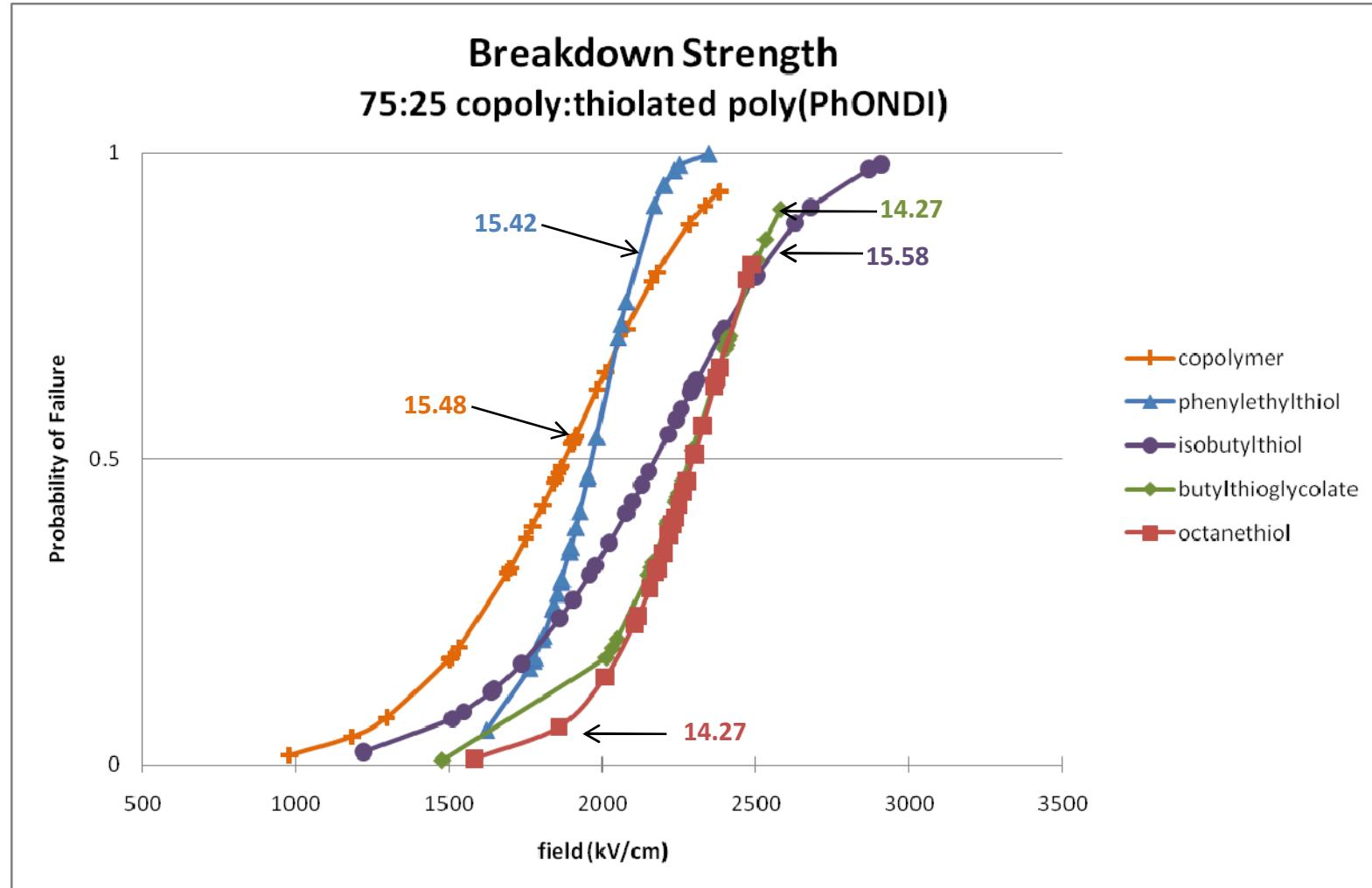
Thiol	% unreacted	% thiolated	% unknown	total % olefin consumed
	20	13	67	^h 80
	14	16	70	86
	6	21	73	94
	6	26	68	94

Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends

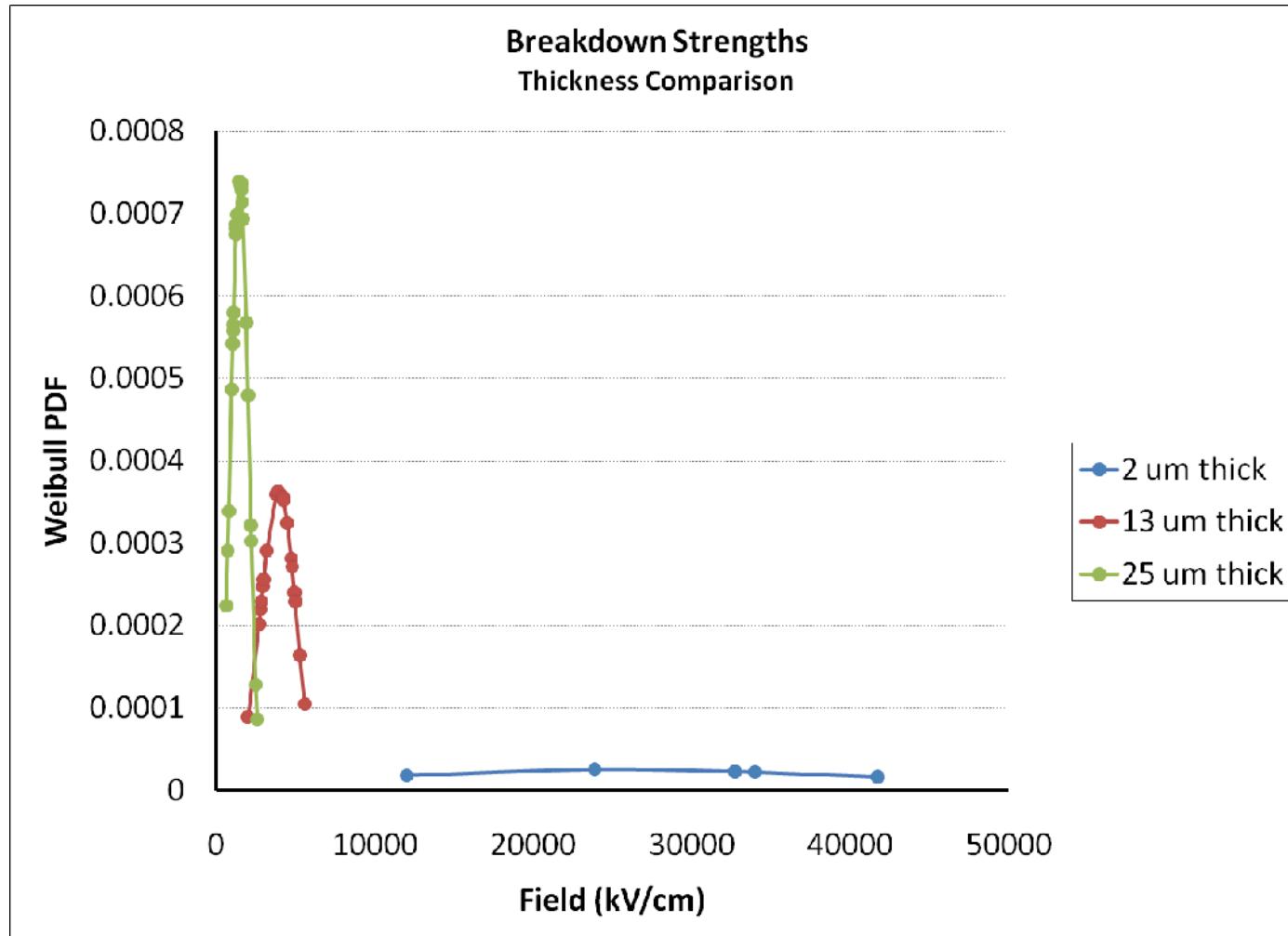


- dielectric permittivity approximately the same for polyblends and unmodified copolymer
- higher % olefin consumption correlates with lower dielectric, but differences are not greater than standard deviation

Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends

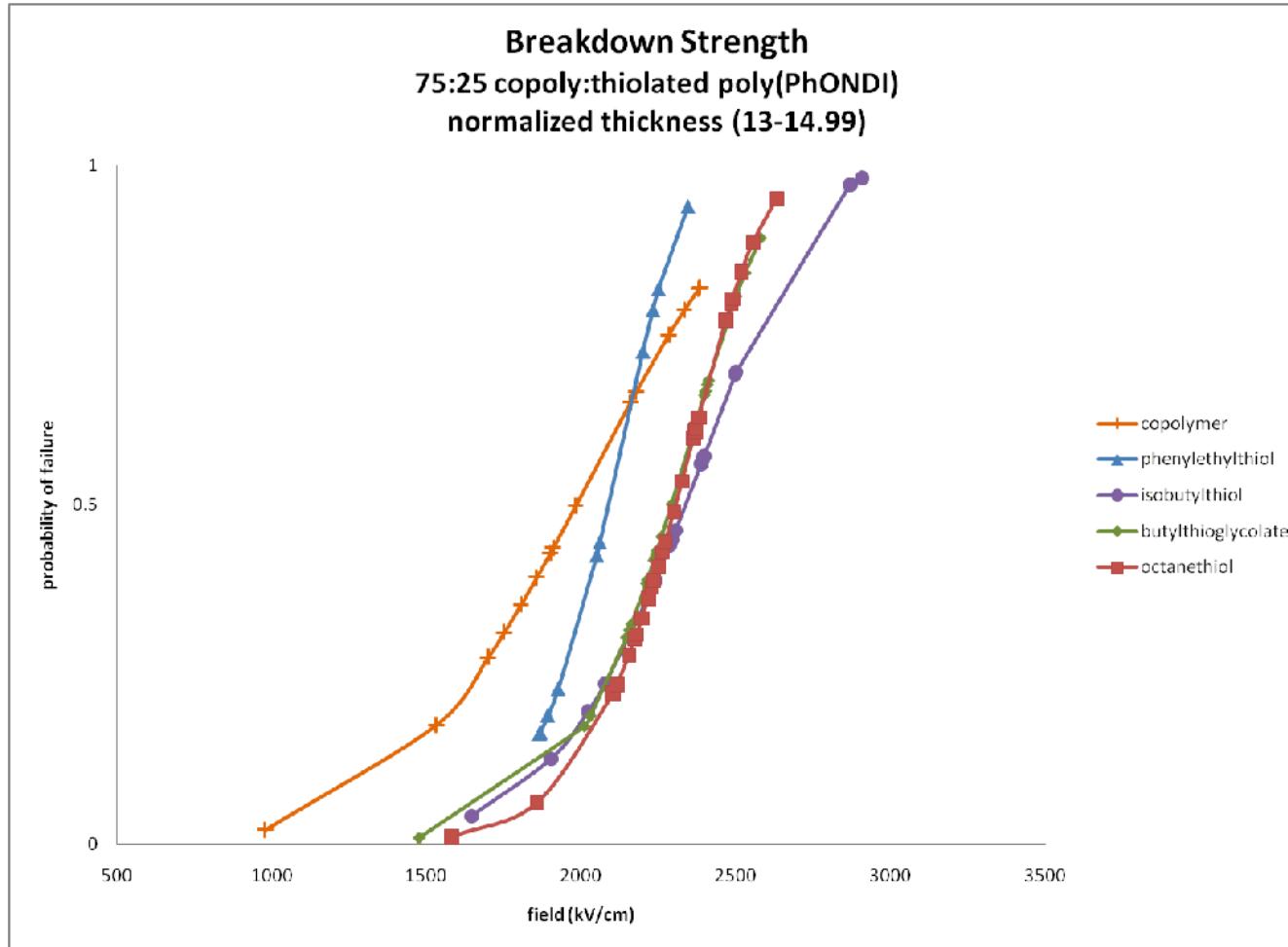


Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends



- breakdown strength is sensitive to film thickness, with thinner films having higher breakdown strengths due to higher relative contribution of interface

Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends



- breakdown strength increases in the polyblends relative to the unmodified copolymer
- inclusion of aromatic group lowers breakdown strength

Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends

Energy Density 1 kHz (thickness normalized)

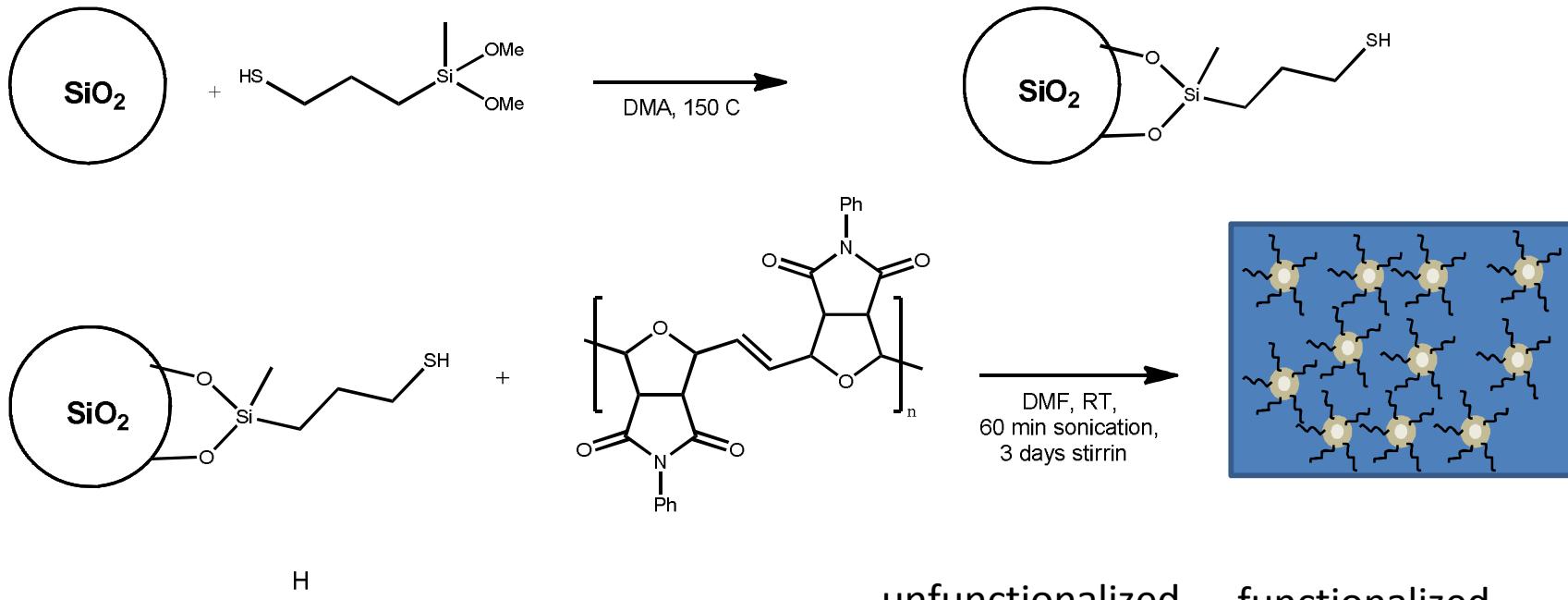
film	E_b (kV/cm)	ϵ_r (1 kHz)	U_o (J/cm ³)
copolymer	2136.32	3.39	1.37
phenylethylthiol	2152.11	3.52	1.44
butylthioglycolate	2378.39	3.45	1.73
octanethiol	2382.67	3.57	1.79
isobutylthiol	2446.55	3.56	1.89

- copoly blends show improved breakdown strengths and energy densities relative to copolymer alone
- improved mechanical properties vs poly(PhONDI) polyblends
- decreased breakdown strength with aromatic functionality, but otherwise no trends with varying thiols

BOPP: energy density = **1-1.5 J/cm³** temp stability = **105 °C**

thiolated polyblend: energy density = **1.4-1.9 J/cm³** temp stability* ≈ **150 °C**

Composites: Blending Only

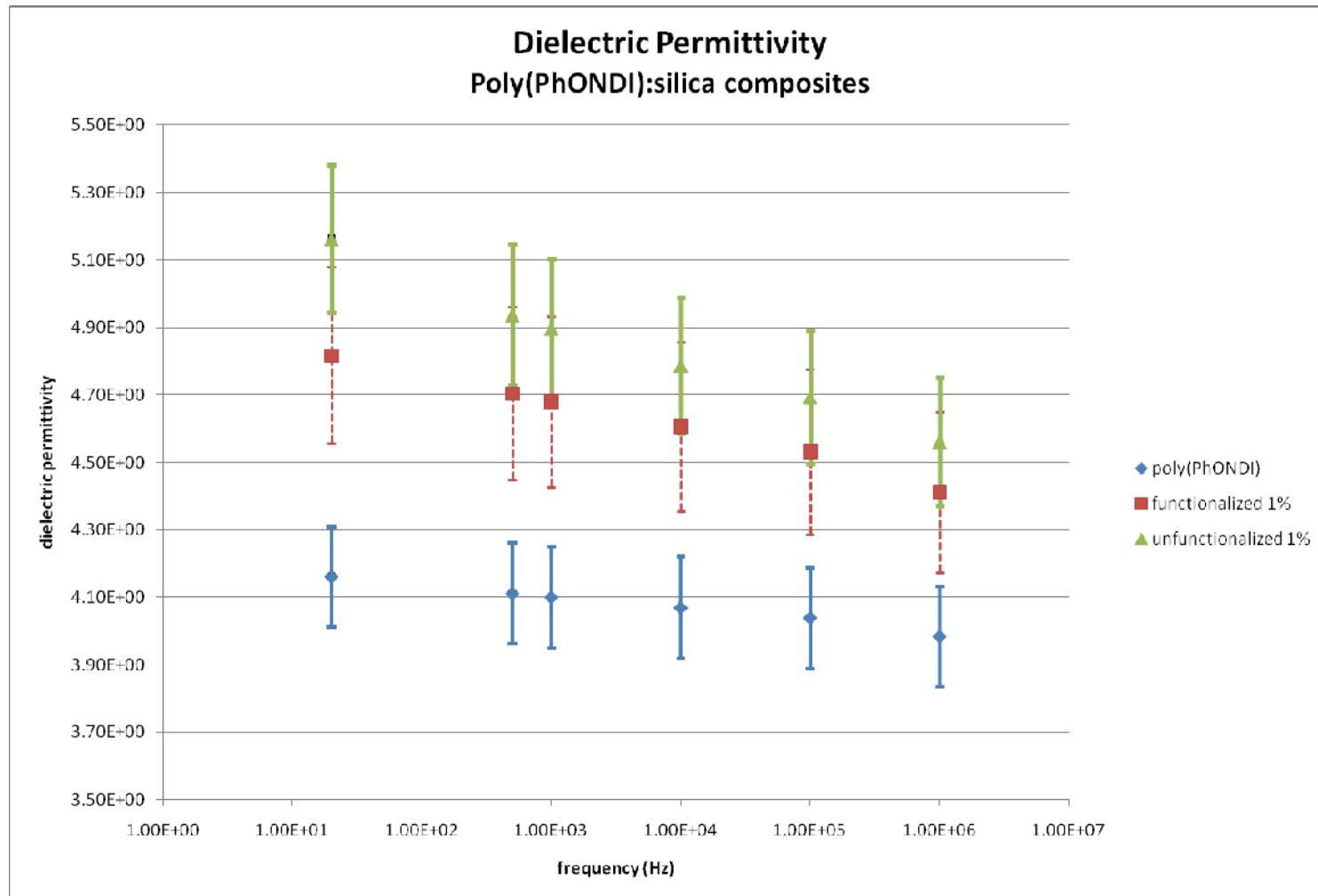


polymer	nanoparticles	wt %
poly(PhONDI)	functionalized	1
poly(PhONDI)	unfunctionalized	1
poly(PhONDI)	functionalized	3.5
poly(PhONDI)	unfunctionalized	3.5

unfunctionalized functionalized

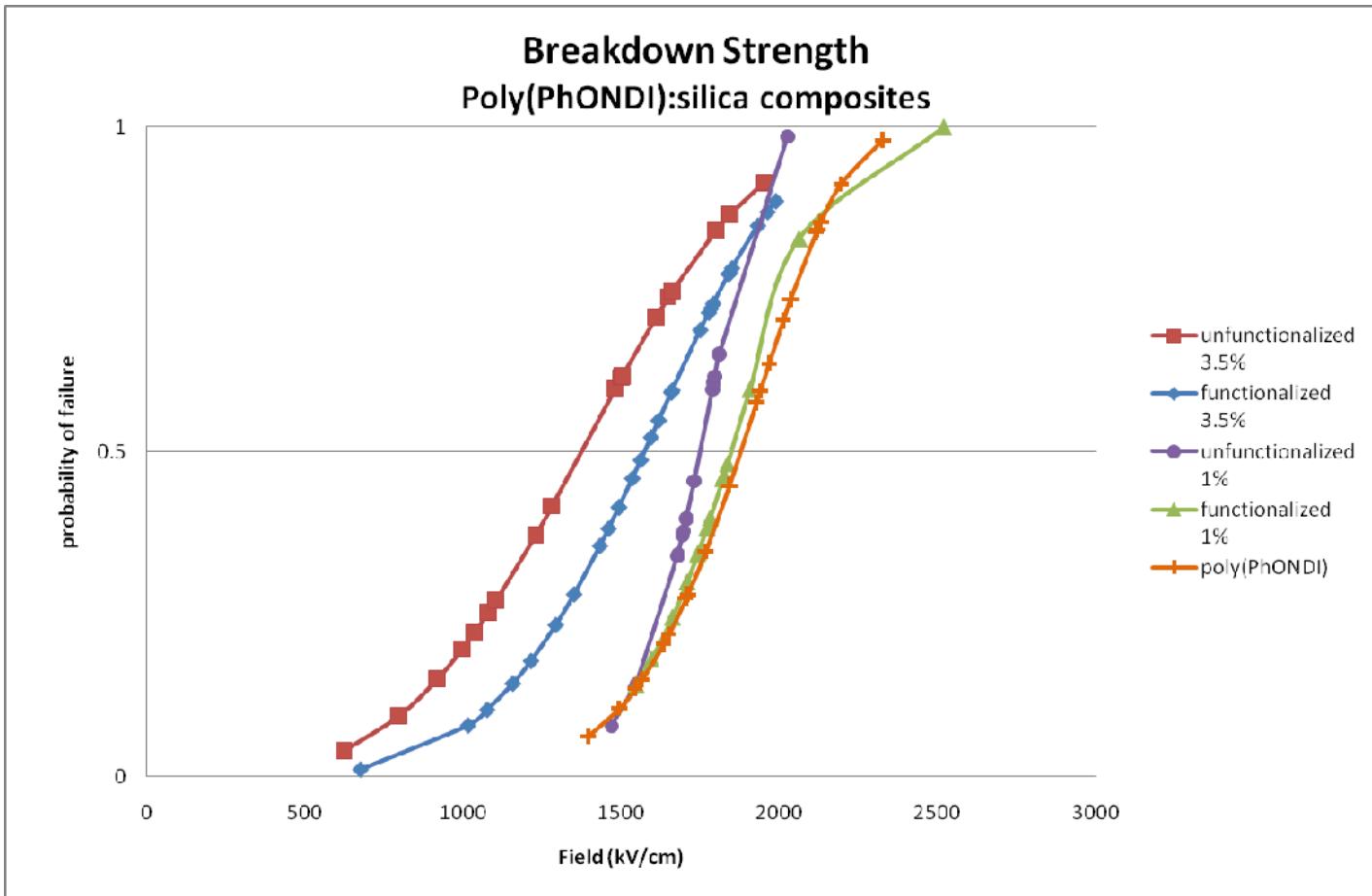


Composites: Blending Only



- dielectric permittivity increases in the composites relative to unmodified polymer
- dielectric permittivity is approximately the same between functionalized and unfunctionalized composites

Composites: Blending Only

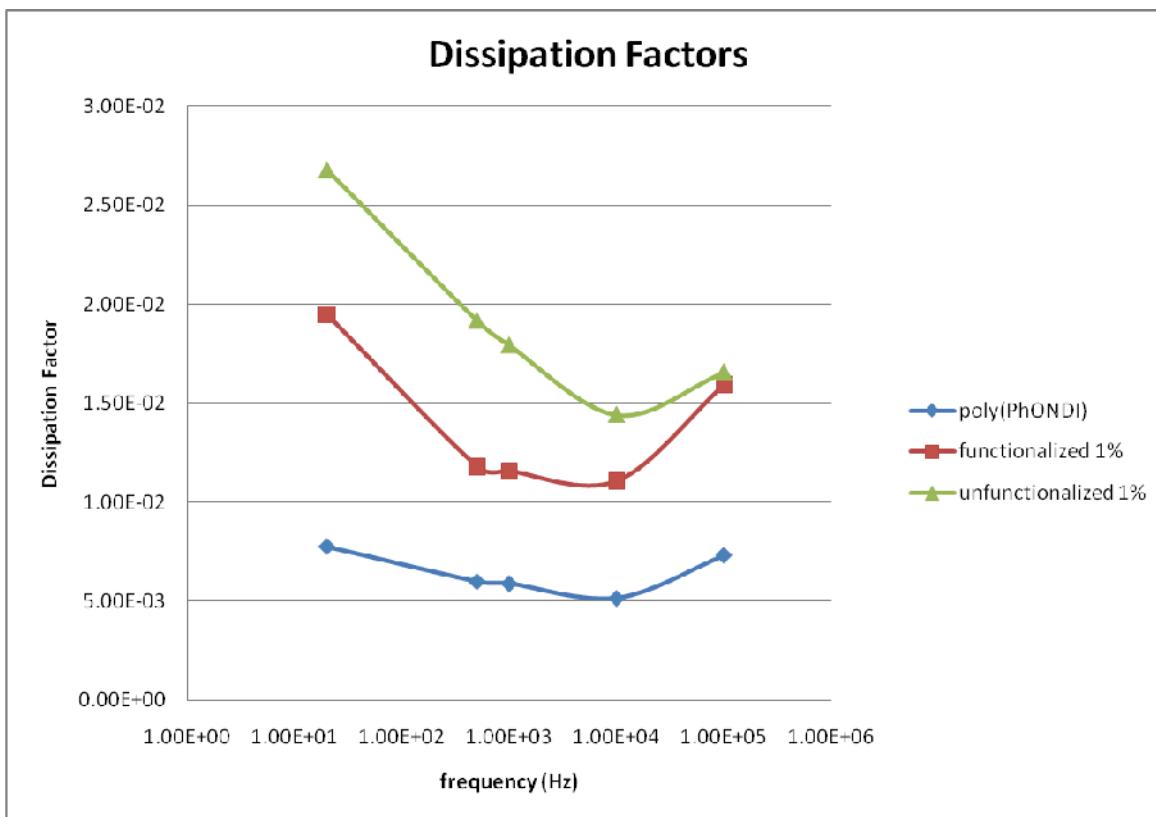


- breakdown strength for unfunctionalized composites is **lower** than functionalized composites and unmodified polymer
- breakdown strength for the higher loadings is **lower** than for lower loadings, for both functionalized and unfunctionalized composites
- functionalized 1% composite has approximately the same breakdown strength as unmodified polymer

Composites

Energy Density 1 kHz

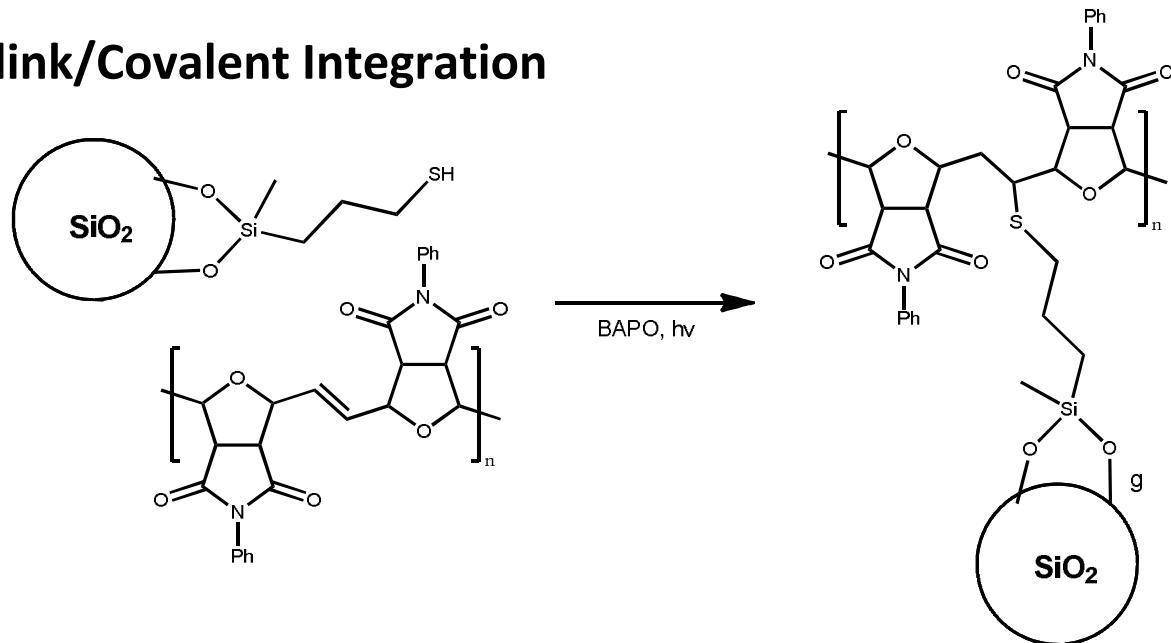
film	E_b (kV/cm)	ϵ_r (1 kHz)	U_o (J/cm ³)
poly(PhONDI)	1963.6	4.07	1.39
functionalized 1%	1926.8	4.61	1.51
unfunctionalized 1%	1801.29	4.79	1.38



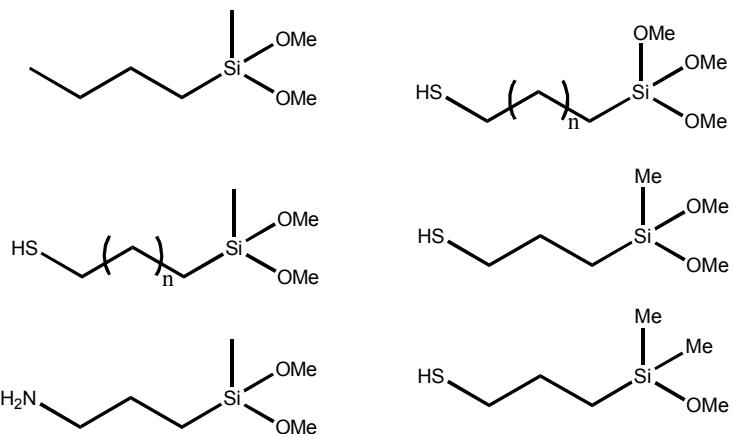
- functionalized composite has a higher breakdown strength and energy density vs unfunctionalized
- functionalized composite has a higher energy density vs unmodified polymer
- functionalization improves dissipation factor relative to unfunctionalized composite

Composites: Future Work

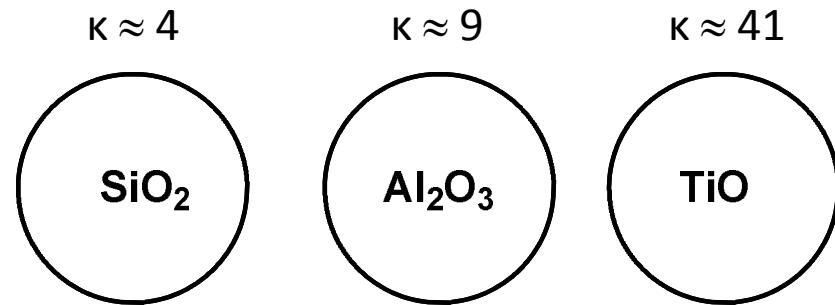
Crosslink/Covalent Integration



Functional Group Comparison

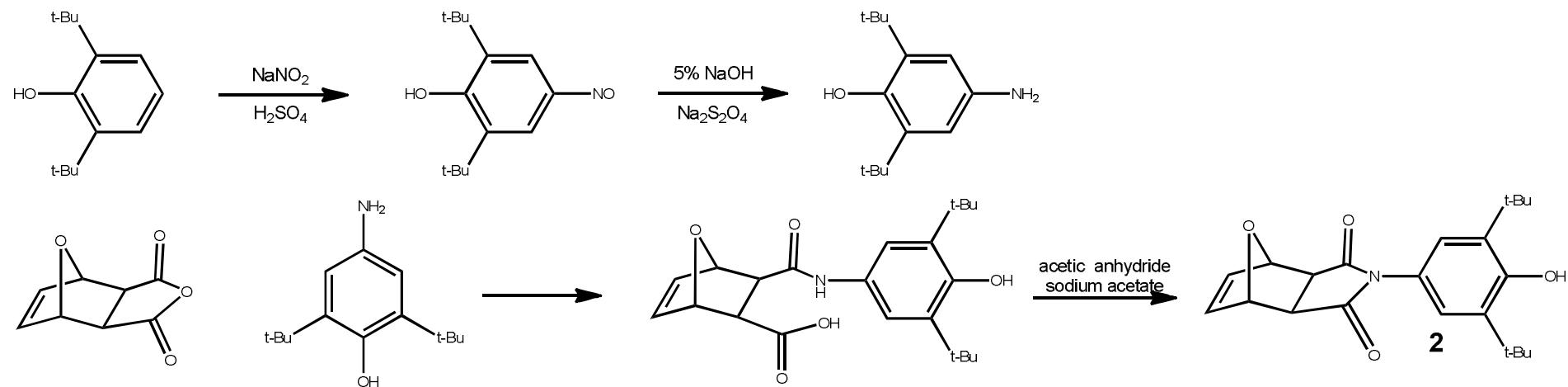
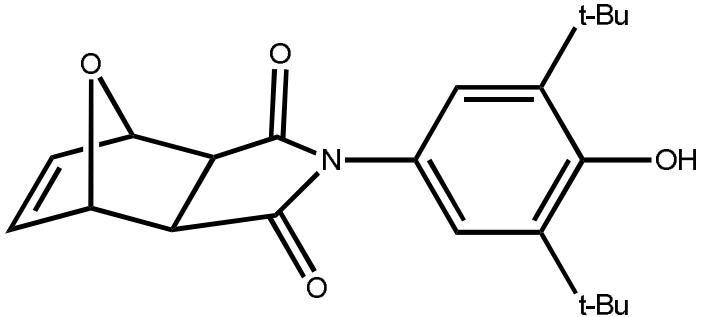


Higher κ Inorganics



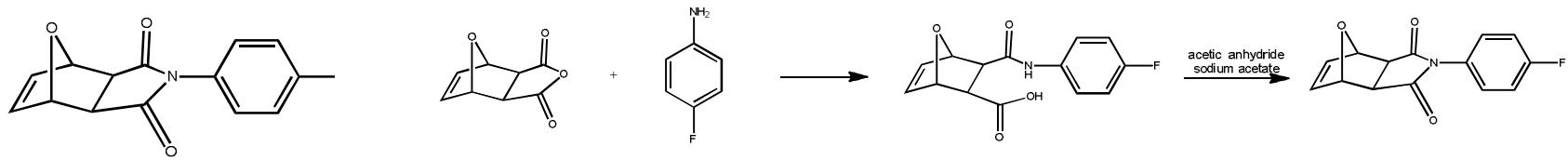
Functionalized Polymers: Future Work

- BHT addition increases solution stability and breakdown strength
- make a BHT-PhONDI monomer for BHT incorporation into polymers



Functionalized Polymers: Future Work

- p-fluoroPhONDI improve dielectric characteristics, NMR tag



- improve % thiolation in thiol-ene reaction
 - cis/trans ratio in poly(PhONDI)?
 - addition of $\text{ArS}(\text{ArSSAr})^+$?
- determine identity of unknown product in thiol-ene
 - model reactions

+

Summary

- Poly(nbe) forms crosslinked gels under UV thiol-ene conditions, except at very low MW weights.
- Poly(PhONDI) can be functionalized via the thiol-ene reaction up to ~25%, but also undergoes an unidentified side reaction. Films have poor mechanical properties.
- Blends of thiolated poly(PhONDI) with poly(PhONDI) and copolymer show improved solution stability and dielectric and mechanical properties.
- Polymer/silica composites have higher dielectric permittivity, but lower breakdown strengths than polymer alone. Functionalization increases the breakdown strengths yielding higher energy density materials. Covalent integration of nanoparticles is expected to improve breakdown strength and dissipation factors even more.

Selective modification of dielectric properties via polymer functionalization is successful in creating new dielectric materials with higher overall performance than current standards.

BOPP: energy density = **1-1.5 J/cm³** temp stability = **105 °C**

thiolated polyblend: energy density = **1.4-1.9 J/cm³** temp stability* ≈ **150 °C**

functionalized composite: energy density = **1.5 J/cm³** temp stability* ≈ **150 °C**

Acknowledgements

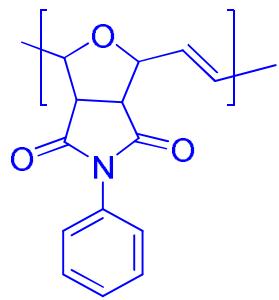
Shawn Dirk

Dirk Group

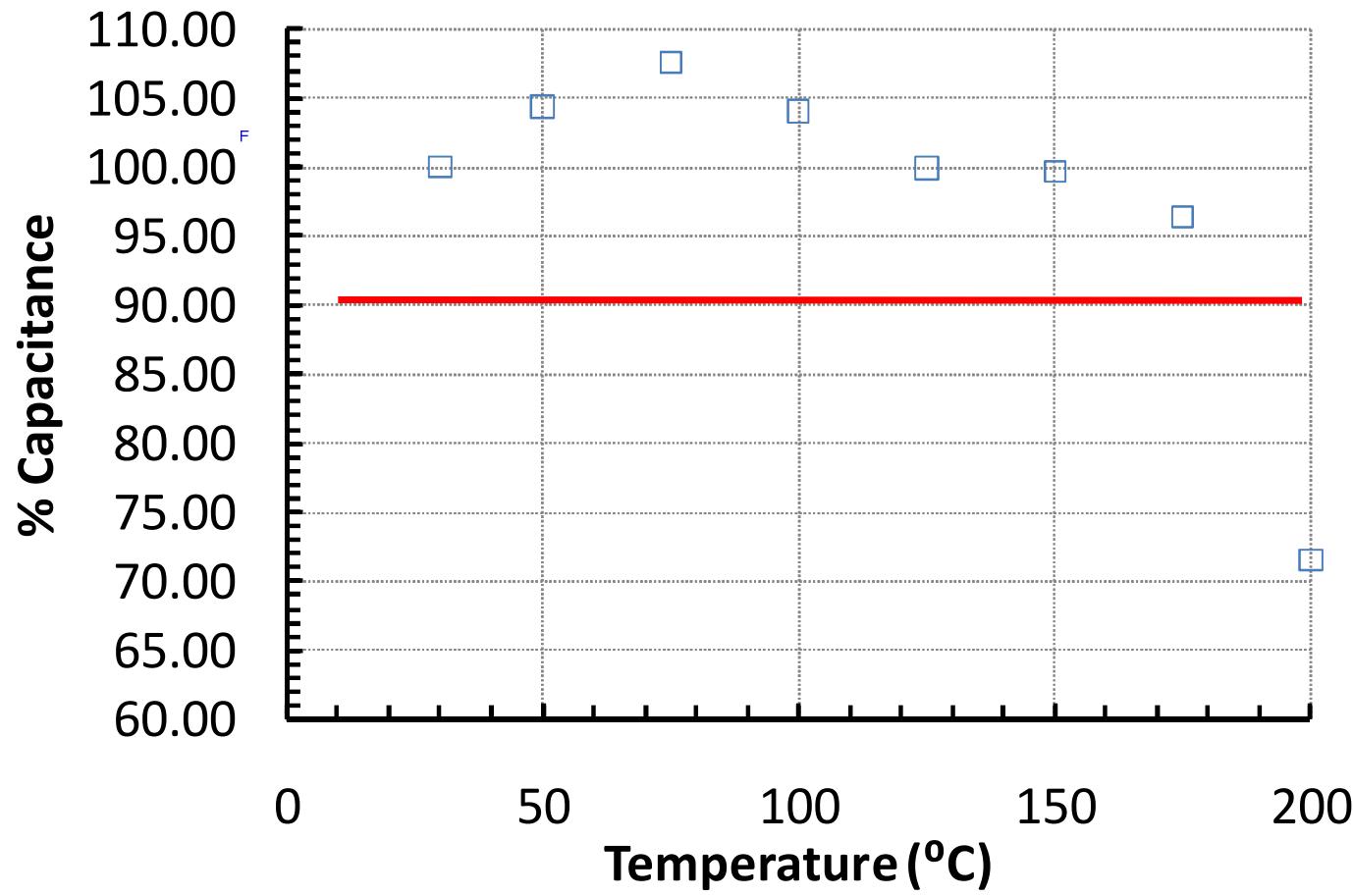
Patrick Finnegan

Dave Wheeler

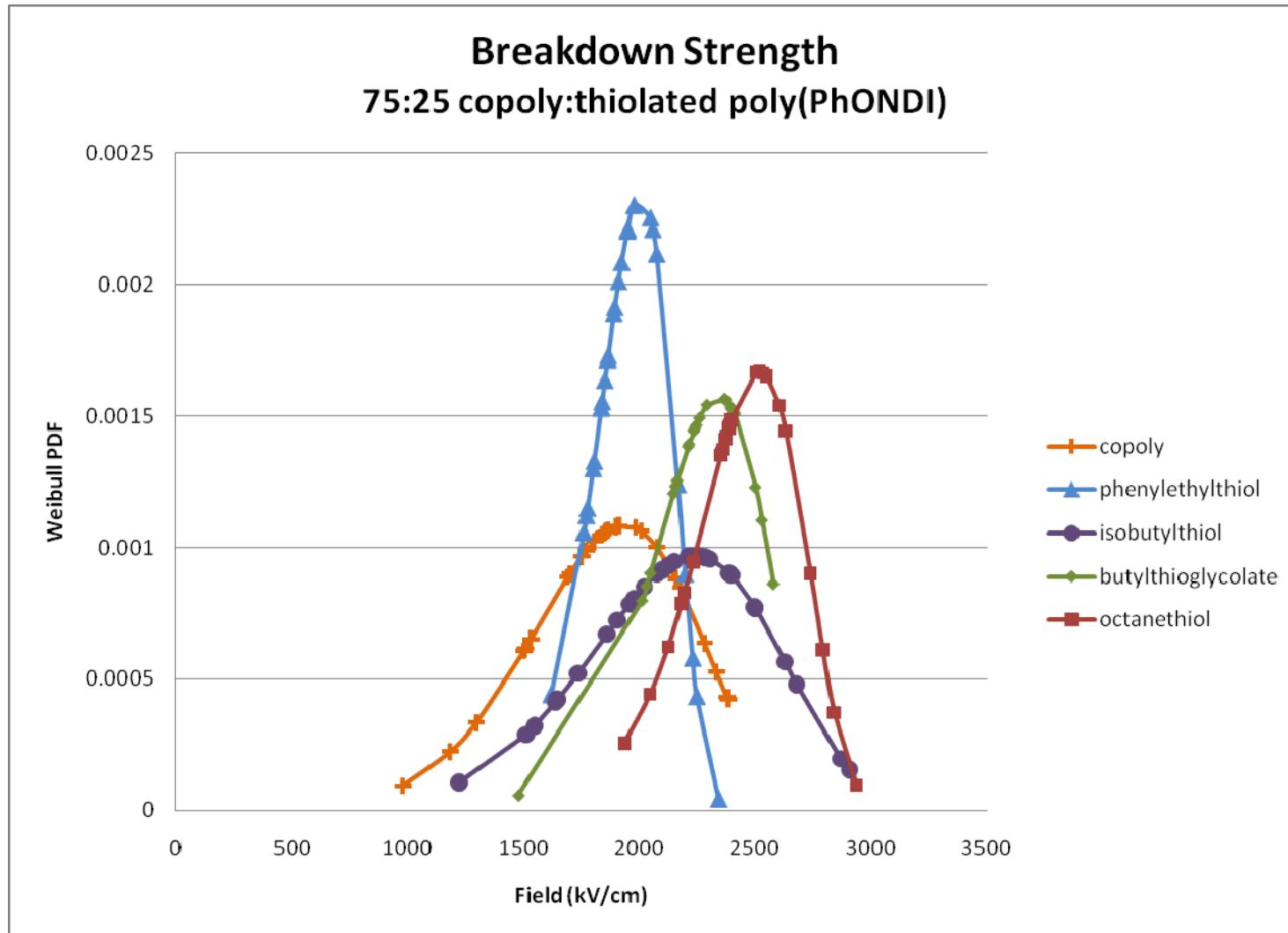
Sandia National Labs
Freedom Car



High Temperature Homopolymer
Measured at 10 kHz



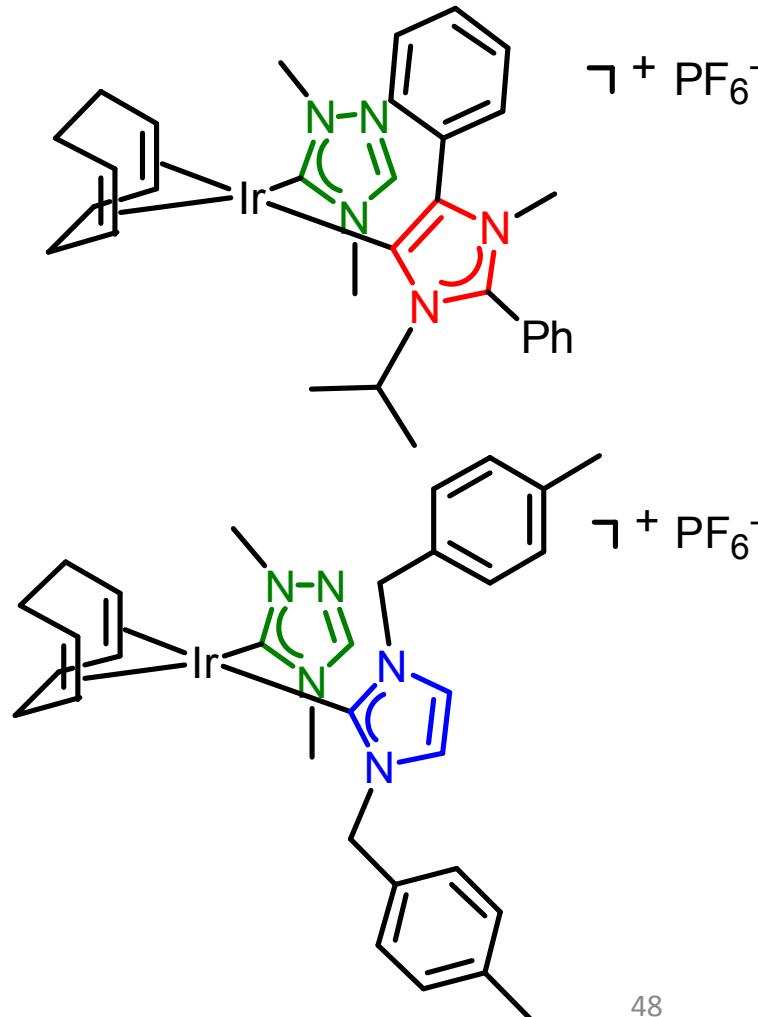
Co-poly(PhONDI)-poly(nbe) Polyblends



Fischer and N-Heterocyclic Carbene Complexes of Rh and Ir: Synthesis and Reactivity

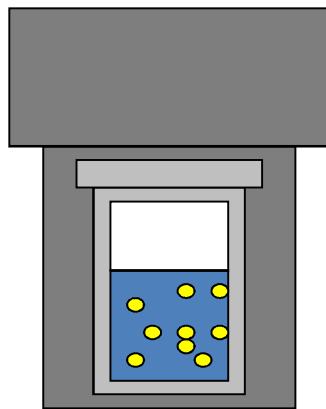
Bob Crabtree, Yale University

- Synthesis of new carbene ligands and transition metal carbene complexes
- Study of reactivity of new complexes: C-H activation, C-C couplings, electronic and steric effects of ligands, anion effects
- Determine reaction mechanisms with combination of computation and experiment
- Applications in catalysis based on understanding of properties

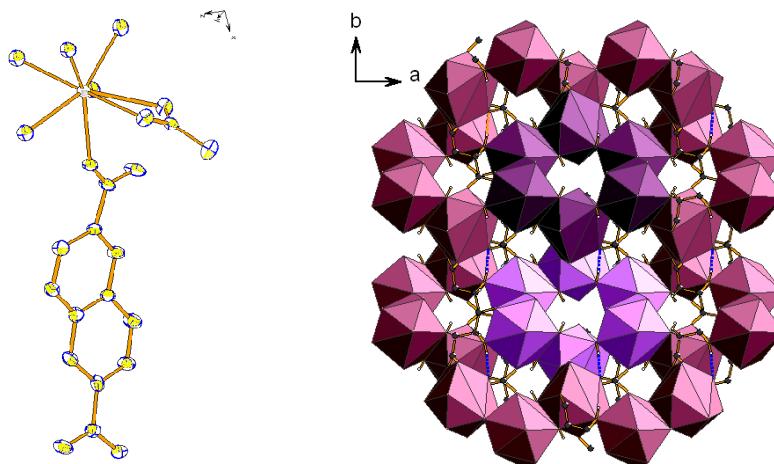


Metal-Organic Frameworks of Chiral Alkaline Earth Tartrates

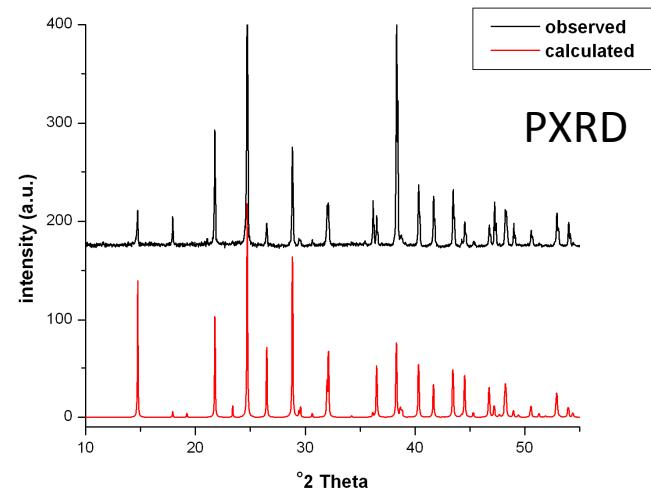
Tony Cheetham, UCSB



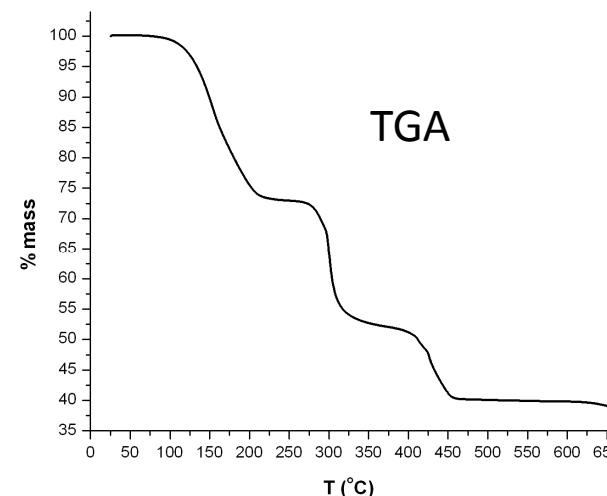
hydrothermal synthesis



single crystal XRD



PXRD

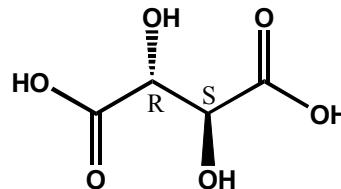


TGA

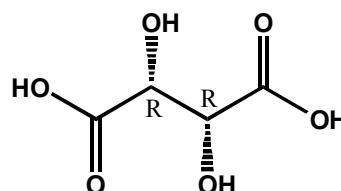
Alkaline Earth Tartrates

Goals

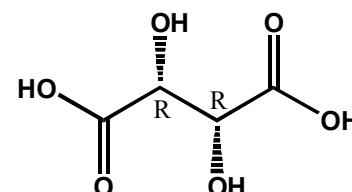
- **What variables control dense structure formation?**
 - thermodynamics
 - kinetics
 - both?
- **What is the role of chirality?**
- **Are dense consistent with porous framework trends?**
 - hydration
 - connectivity



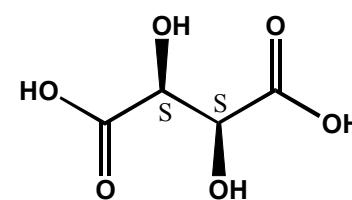
L-tartaric acid
noncentrosymmetric
chiral



meso-tartaric acid
centrosymmetric
achiral



D,L-tartaric acid
racemic mixture



Ca

Sr

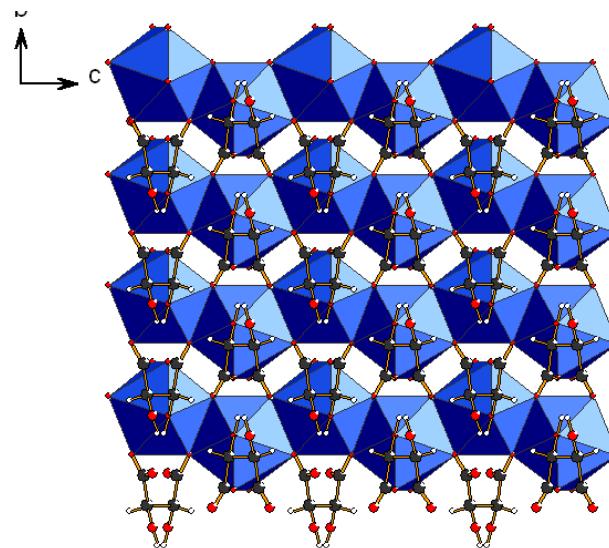
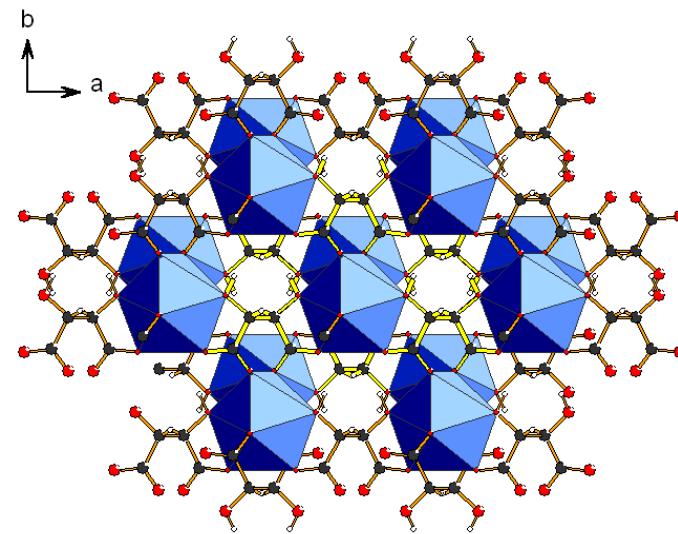
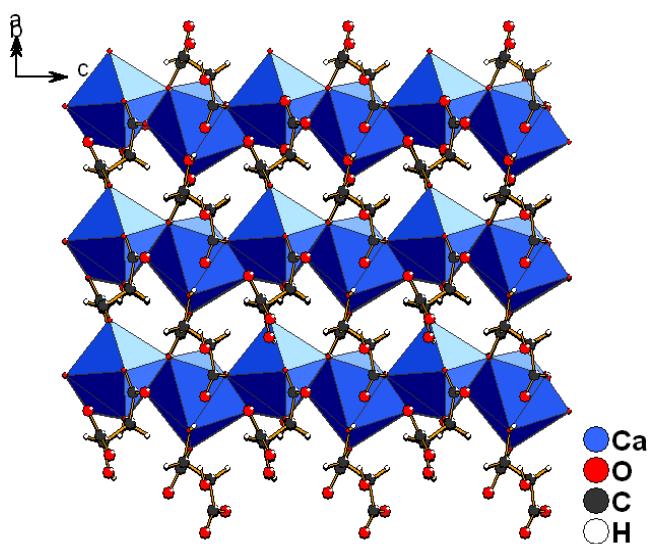
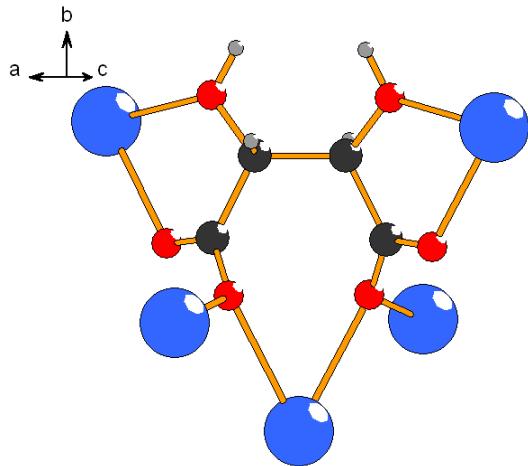
Ba

Alkaline Earth Tartrates

	RT	60 °C	100 °C	125 °C	150 °C	180 °C	200 °C	220 °C
Ca + LTar	Ca(L)(H ₂ O) ₂ .2H ₂ O	Ca(L)(H ₂ O) ₂ .2H ₂ O	mix	Ca(L)	Ca(L)	Ca(L)	Ca(L)	Ca(L)
Ca + mTar	Ca(m).3H ₂ O	Ca(m).3H ₂ O	Ca(m).2H ₂ O	Ca(m)	Ca(m)	Ca(m)	Ca(m)	Ca(m)
Ca + DLTar	Ca(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	Ca(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	Ca(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	Ca(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	mix	mix	[Ca(D,L)] ₂ .H ₂ O	[Ca(D,L)] ₂ .H ₂ O
Sr + LTar	Sr(L)(H ₂ O) ₂ .2H ₂ O Sr(L)(H ₂ O) ₃	Sr(L)(H ₂ O) Sr(L)(H ₂ O) ₃	mix	Sr(L)	Sr(L)	mix	Sr(m)	Sr(m)
Sr + mTar	Sr(m)	Sr(m)	Sr(m)	Sr(m)	Sr(m)	Sr(m)	Sr(m)	Sr(m)
Sr + DLTar	Sr(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	Sr(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	Sr(DL)(H ₂ O) ₄	mix	mix	mix	Sr(m)	Sr(m)
Ba + LTar	Ba(L)	Ba(L)	Ba(L)	Ba(L)	Ba(L)	Ba(L)	Ba(L)	Ba(DL)
Ba + mTar	Ba(m)(H ₂ O)	Ba(m)(H ₂ O)	Ba(m)(H ₂ O)	Ba(m)(H ₂ O)	Ba(m)(H ₂ O)	Ba(m)(H ₂ O)	mix	Ba(DL)
Ba + DLTar	Ba(DL)(H ₂ O) ₂ [Ba(DL)] ₂ (H ₂ O) ₃	Ba(DL)	Ba(DL)	Ba(DL)	Ba(DL)	Ba(DL)	Ba(DL)	Ba(DL)

each color represents a unique phase
 identical colors between metals indicate isostructural phases

Ca(L-Tartrate)



Summary

- **Phase behavior in alkaline earth tartrates is controlled by both thermodynamic and kinetic factors and is different for each cation, even isostructural Ca and Sr.**
- **Ca:** The **Ca(m)** phase is the most **thermodynamically** stable phase. Because relative stability differences between the phases are small no phase transformations are observed up to 220 °C.
- **Sr:** The **Sr(m)** phase is the most **thermodynamically** stable phase. The larger relative stability difference between phases creates a greater driving force promoting phase transformations to the more stable *meso* phase at 180 °C and above. Phase transformation is not observed at lower temperatures due to a **kinetic** barrier to the racemization of tartaric acid.
- **Ba:** The **Ba(DL)** phase is the most **thermodynamically** stable phase at high temperatures. The **Ba(L)** phase is likely the most **thermodynamically** stable at lower temperatures. However, **kinetic** factors favor the formation of the DL phase from racemic solutions.

Acknowledgements

Tony Cheetham, Steve DenBaars

The Cheetham Group

Monica Kosa, Joost VandeVondele, Michele Parrinello

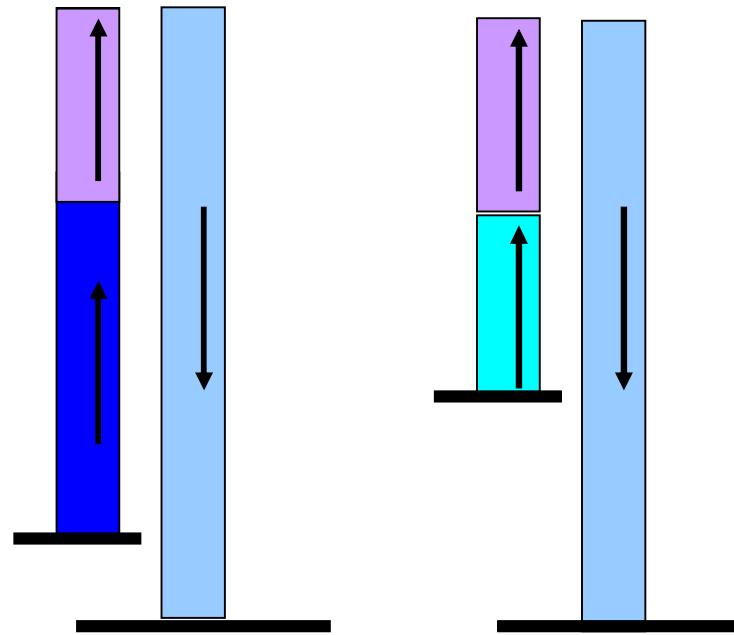
Petra Simoncic, Radha Venkataramana, Alexandra Navrotsky

Gilles Muller, Fitzgerald K. Vo

The **SSLEC** at UCSB for funding

This work made use of **MRL Central Facilities** supported by the MRSEC Program of the National Science Foundation under award No. DMR05-20415.

calorimetry



-  breaking solute-solute bonds (endo)
-  breaking solvent-solvent bonds (endo)
-  forming solute-solvent bonds (exo)