

Supporting Information

Crosslinking rapidly cured epoxy resin thermosets: experimental and computational modeling and simulation study

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Table S1. Atom charges of molecules used in the computational modeling based on RED Methodology.

TFSI			MDA			DGEBA					
S/N	Atom	Charge	S/N	Atom	Charge	S/N	Atom	Charge	S/N	Atom	Charge
1	C1	0.4438	1	C1	-0.1871	1	O1	-0.3533	30	H30	0.1002
2	S2	0.7571	2	H2	0.1892	2	O2	-0.3502	31	H31	0.1002
3	F3	-0.1292	3	C3	-0.2885	3	O3	-0.3949	32	C32	-0.1314
4	F4	-0.1370	4	H4	0.1712	4	O4	-0.3757	33	H33	0.1547
5	F5	-0.1489	5	C5	0.3879	5	C5	0.1616	34	C34	-0.1614
6	N6	-0.7125	6	C6	-0.2988	6	C6	-0.0068	35	H35	0.1585
7	O7	-0.4851	7	H7	0.1818	7	H7	0.1440	36	C36	-0.1602
8	O8	-0.4954	8	C8	-0.1933	8	C8	-0.0237	37	H37	0.1658
9	S9	0.9449	9	H9	0.1544	9	H9	0.1496	38	C38	-0.1638
10	C10	0.2922	10	C10	0.0283	10	C10	-0.0394	39	H39	0.1626
11	O11	-0.5247	11	C11	-0.2598	11	C11	-0.0215	40	C40	0.3364
12	O12	-0.5101	12	H12	0.1729	12	C12	-0.0827	41	C41	0.2898
13	F13	-0.0932	13	C13	-0.2202	13	H13	0.1285	42	C42	-0.2535
14	F14	-0.1339	14	H14	0.1613	14	H14	0.1285	43	H43	0.1527
15	F15	-0.0680	15	C15	0.0378	15	C15	-0.072	44	C44	-0.2123
			16	C16	-0.1988	16	H16	0.1261	45	H45	0.1445
			17	H17	0.1908	17	H17	0.1261	46	C46	-0.2478
			18	C18	-0.2633	18	C18	-0.1556	47	H47	0.1107
			19	H19	0.1677	19	H19	0.0422	48	C48	-0.2266
			20	C20	0.3462	20	H20	0.0422	49	H49	0.1086
			21	C21	-0.0255	21	H21	0.0422			
			22	H22	0.0407	22	C22	-0.156			
			23	H23	0.0407	23	H23	0.0419			
			24	N24	-0.8843	24	H24	0.0419			
			25	H25	0.3604	25	H25	0.0419			
			26	H26	0.3604	26	C26	0.1102			
			27	N27	-0.8859	27	H27	0.0932			
			28	H28	0.3569	28	H28	0.0932			
			29	H29	0.3569	29	C29	0.0908			

Table S2. Atom charges of Li@3G with DGEBA used in the computational modeling based on MCPB Methodology.

Li@G3 with DGEBA											
S/N	Atom	Charge	S/N	Atom	Charge	S/N	Atom	Charge	S/N	Atom	Charge
1	C1	-0.0982	21	H21	0.0567	41	C41	0.3744	61	O61	-0.4076
2	H2	0.0835	22	H22	0.0567	42	C42	-0.362	62	C62	0.2658
3	H3	0.0835	23	C23	0.0202	43	H43	0.0855	63	H63	0.0017
4	H4	0.0835	24	H24	0.0633	44	H44	0.0855	64	H64	0.0017
5	O5	-0.1628	25	H25	0.0633	45	H45	0.0855	65	C65	0.0855
6	C6	-0.0621	26	O26	-0.2566	46	C46	-0.3668	66	H66	0.0231
7	H7	0.0756	27	C27	-0.1253	47	H47	0.0868	67	H67	0.0231
8	H8	0.0756	28	H28	0.0883	48	H48	0.0868	68	C68	0.4944
9	C9	0.0276	29	H29	0.0883	49	H49	0.0868	69	H69	-0.036
10	H10	0.0672	30	H30	0.0883	50	C50	-0.2351	70	C70	0.5474
11	H11	0.0672	31	C31	-0.0918	51	H51	0.1505	71	H71	-0.0795
12	O12	-0.1681	32	H32	0.118	52	C52	-0.1666	72	O72	-0.4436
13	C13	-0.0966	33	C33	-0.3029	53	H53	0.1185	73	O73	-0.846
14	H14	0.0814	34	H34	0.1494	54	C54	0.006	74	C74	-0.4199
15	H15	0.0814	35	C35	0.3819	55	C55	-0.181	75	H75	0.1096
16	C16	0.1147	36	C36	-0.2562	56	H56	0.1227	76	H76	0.1096
17	H17	0.0616	37	H37	0.1187	57	C57	-0.2255	77	C77	-0.1992
18	H18	0.0616	38	C38	-0.1242	58	H58	0.1396	78	H78	0.0703
19	O19	-0.3474	39	H39	0.1282	59	C59	0.3548	79	H79	0.0703
20	C20	0.0542	40	C40	-0.0636	60	O60	-0.3797	80	Li1	0.4783

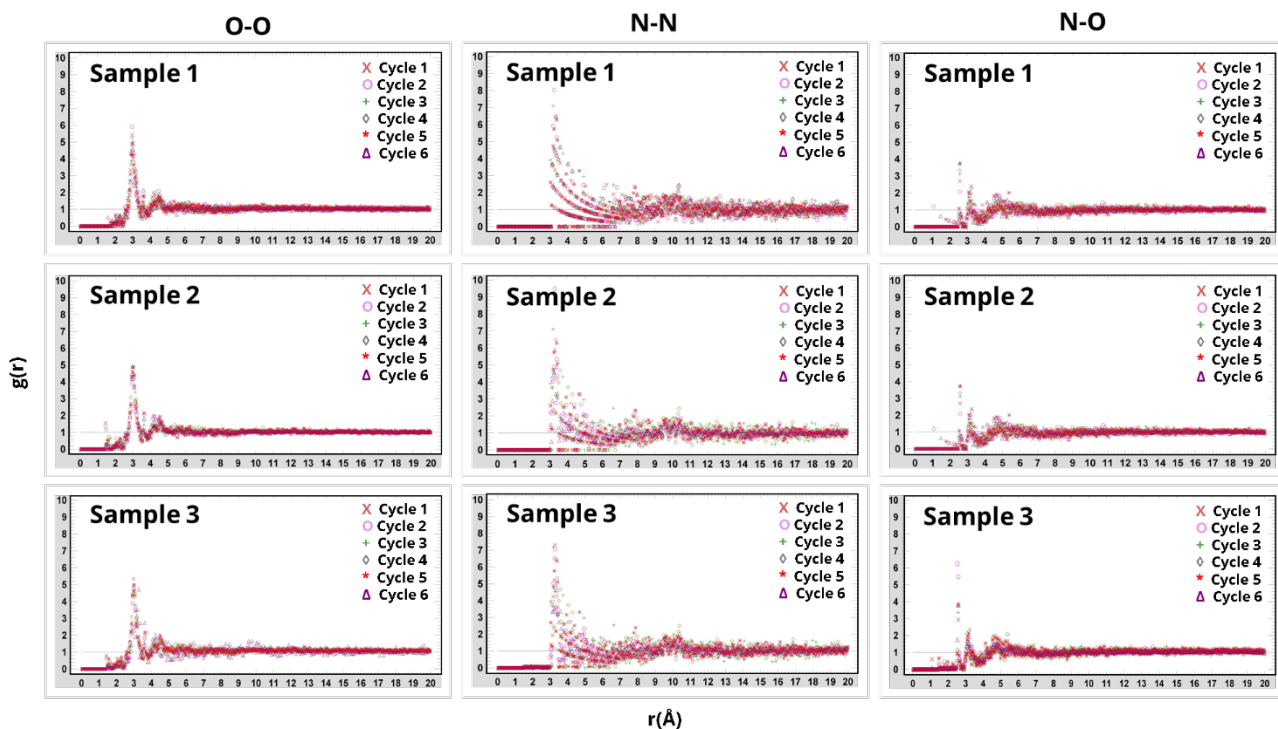


Figure S1. Evaluation of the RDFs calculated for the liquid mixture as a function of the six simulated annealing cycles.

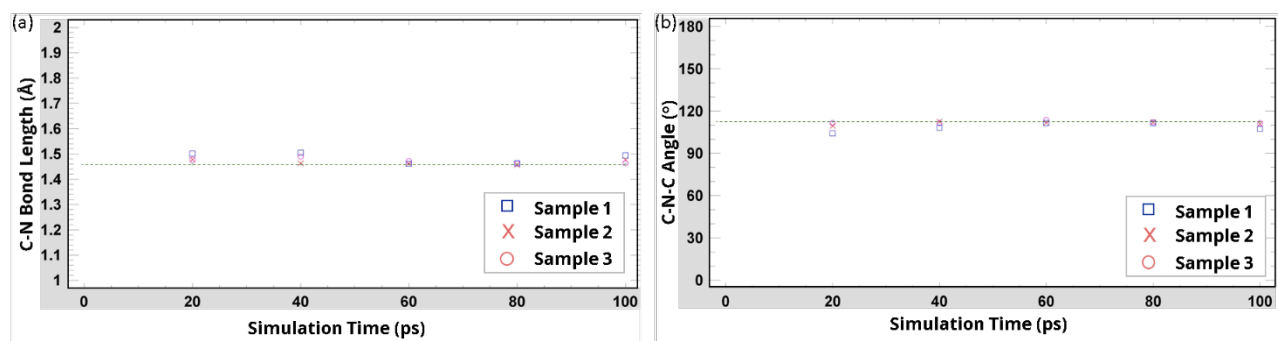


Figure S2. (a) Bond lengths of the crosslink bonds, and (b) bond angles between the C-N-C atoms of the crosslink bonds for equilibrated crosslinked samples at 81.0 % crosslinking degree. The dashed lines represent the AMBER Force Field ideal values.

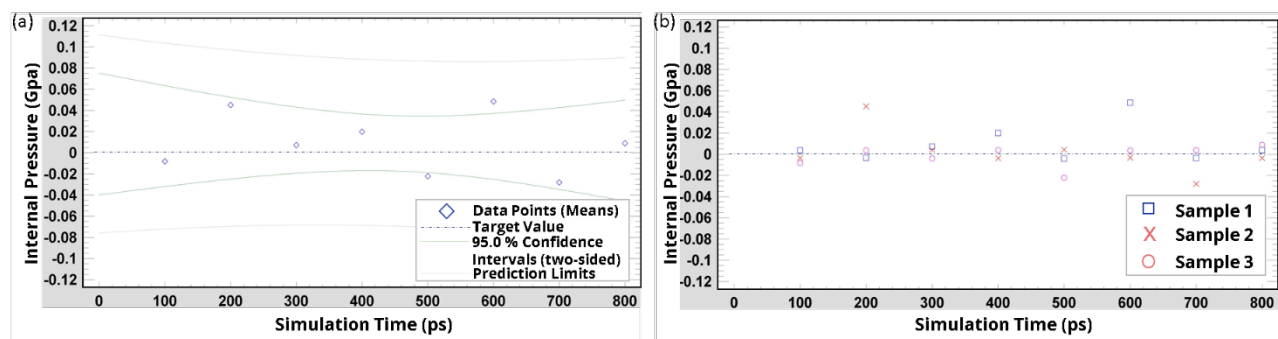


Figure S3. (a) Calculated average internal pressure of the sample after the crosslinking process, and (b) the internal pressure of the three crosslinked samples. The dashed line represents the target pressure, 0.0001 GPa.