

## Supporting Information

# Modification of a Single Atom Affects the Physical Properties of Double Fluorinated Fmoc-Phe Derivatives

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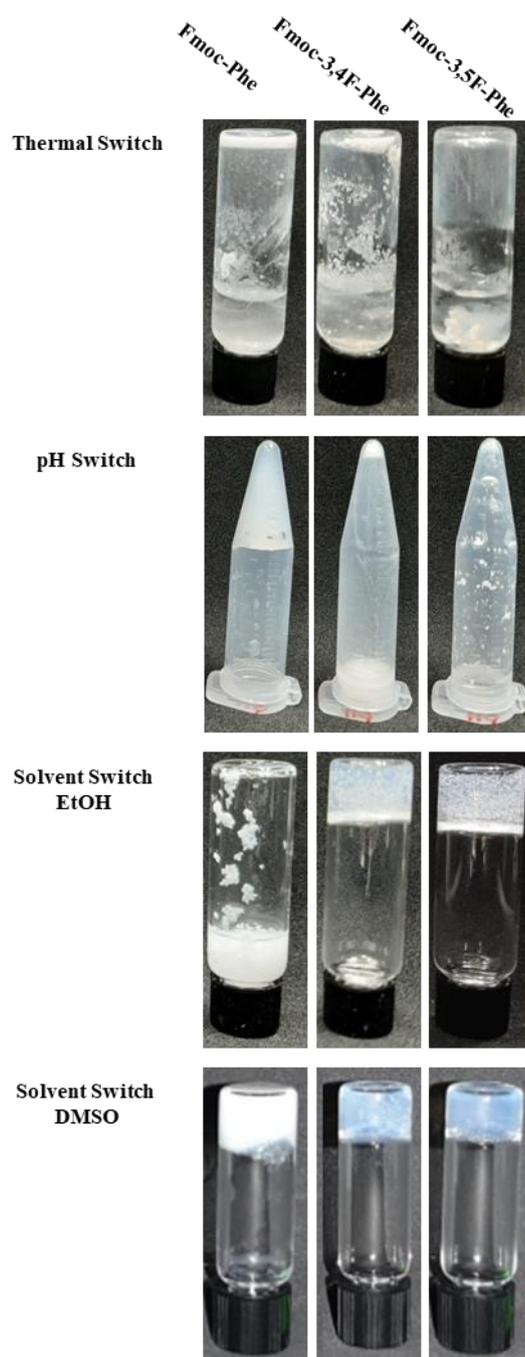
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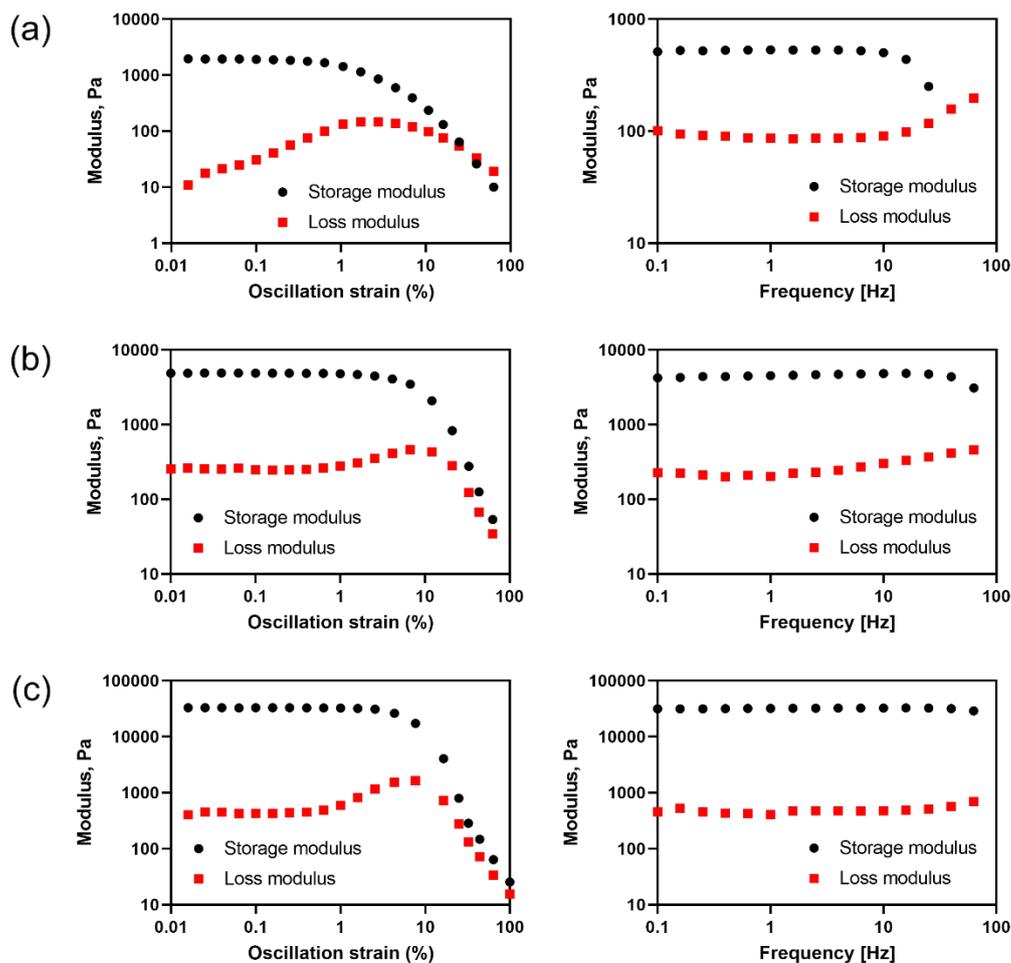
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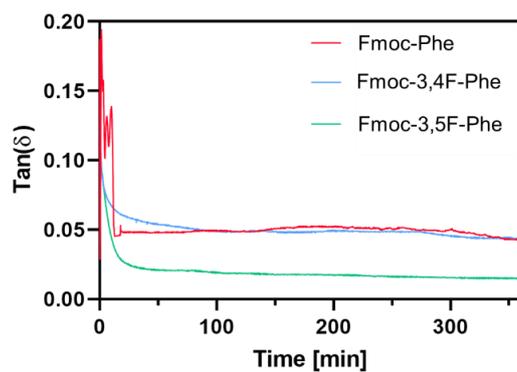
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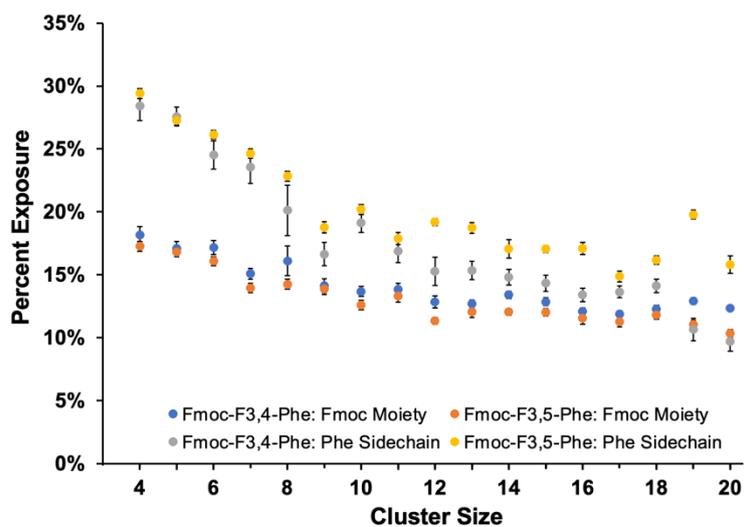
**Figure S1** Fmoc-Phe derivatives ( $5 \text{ g L}^{-1}$ ) one-hour post preparation at different self-assembly methods.



**Figure S2** Rheological characterization of strain sweep at 5 Hz (Left) and frequency sweep at 0.5% strain (Right) of (a) Fmoc-Phe (b) Fmoc-3,4F-Phe (c) Fmoc-3,5F-Phe.



**Figure S3**  $\tan(\delta)$  values of Fmoc-Phe and double fluorinated Fmoc-Phe hydrogels.



**Figure S4** Percent solvent exposures of the Fmoc moiety (blue and orange) and Phe sidechain (grey and yellow) of Fmoc-F3,4-Phe (blue and grey) and Fmoc-F3,5-Phe (orange and yellow). The plotted values are average percent exposures of the Fmoc moiety or Phe sidechain for all detected clusters of a given cluster size (number of building block-monomers per cluster). The error bars correspond to the standard error.

**Table S1** Crystallographic data of Fmoc-3,4F-Phe.

<b>Complex</b>	<b>Fmoc-3,4F-Phe</b>
<b>CCDC Deposition #</b>	2043733
<b>Formula</b>	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>25</sub> F <sub>2</sub> N O <sub>5</sub> S
<b>Crystal description</b>	colourless needle
<b>Crystal size, [mm<sup>3</sup>]</b>	0.2 x 0.01 x 0.01
<b>FW, [g.mol<sup>-1</sup>]</b>	501.53
<b>Space group</b>	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub></i>
<b>Crystal system</b>	Orthorhombic
<b>a, [Å]</b>	4.9826(1)
<b>b, [Å]</b>	13.0717(2)
<b>c, [Å]</b>	36.5189(5)
<b>α, [°]</b>	90
<b>β, [°]</b>	90
<b>γ, [°]</b>	90
<b>Cell volume, [Å<sup>3</sup>]</b>	2378.51(7)
<b>Z</b>	4
<b>ρ<sub>caclcd</sub>, [g.cm<sup>-3</sup>]</b>	1.401
<b>μ, [mm<sup>-1</sup>]</b>	1.684
<b>No. of reflections</b>	11429
<b>No. of unique reflections</b>	4854
<b>2Θ<sub>max</sub>, [°]; completeness %</b>	79.703; 97.7
<b>R<sub>int</sub></b>	0.0319
<b>No. of parameters (restraints)</b>	342 (20)
<b>Final R<sup>a</sup>, wR2</b>	0.0550, 0.1517
<b>Final R<sup>b</sup>, wR2</b>	0.0568, 0.1533
<b>GooF</b>	1.057

<sup>a</sup> for data with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>b</sup> for all data.