

Stress relaxation and improved fracture toughness of metal bonding using flexible monolith sheets and an epoxy adhesive

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Table S1. Tensile strength and elongation determined at 23°C, 90°C, and 155°C for the thermosets prepared from the sheet-type adhesives prepared under various γ conditions in the presence or absence of BATGE.

Conditions for epoxy monolith fabrication	Tensile strength at break (MPa)			Elongation at break (%)		
	23°C	90°C	155°C	23°C	90°C	155°C
None (CLS1194)	16.1	10.8	11.7	1.10	1.13	1.71
$\gamma = 1.0$	18.6	8.7	8.1	1.60	1.45	1.74
$\gamma = 1.2$	17.4	6.5	5.1	1.72	1.32	2.65
$\gamma = 1.4$	16.7	6.3	5.7	1.67	1.49	2.64
$\gamma = 1.6$	14.5	7.1	4.0	1.80	1.40	2.09
$\gamma = 1.8$	14.4	5.9	3.2	1.80	1.41	2.21
$\gamma = 1.4$, BATGE 5%	21.4	11.3	2.8	1.80	2.00	3.00
$\gamma = 1.4$, BATGE 10%	22.2	11.7	2.4	1.80	1.90	2.70
$\gamma = 1.4$, BATGE 20%	16.2	8.8	2.3	1.90	2.50	2.60

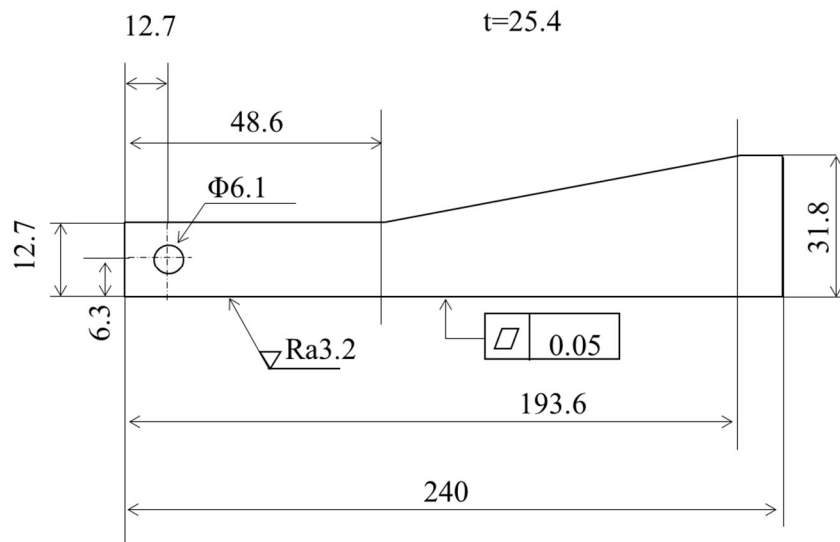


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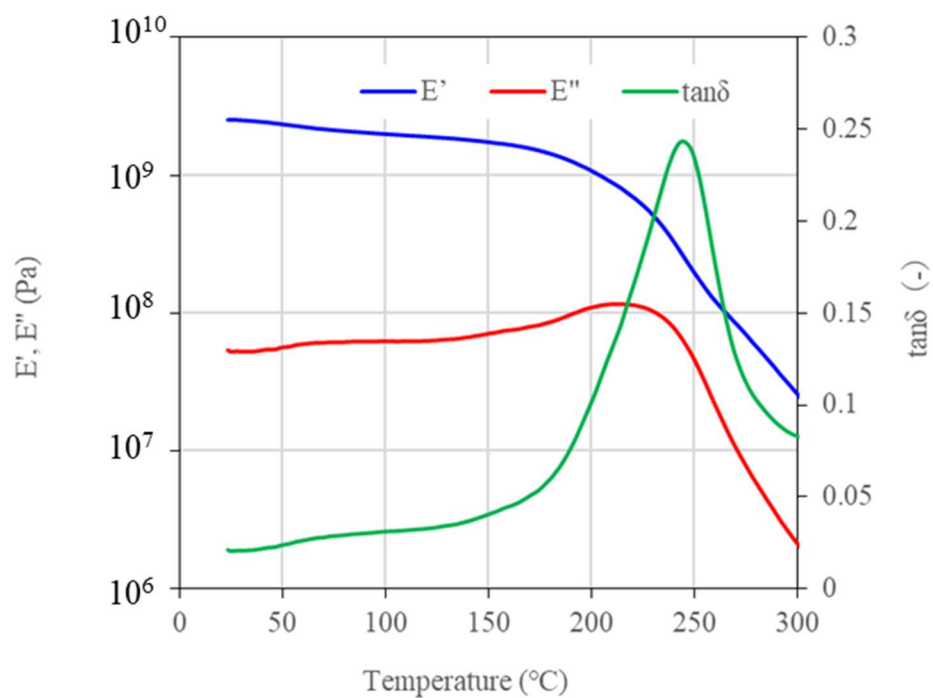


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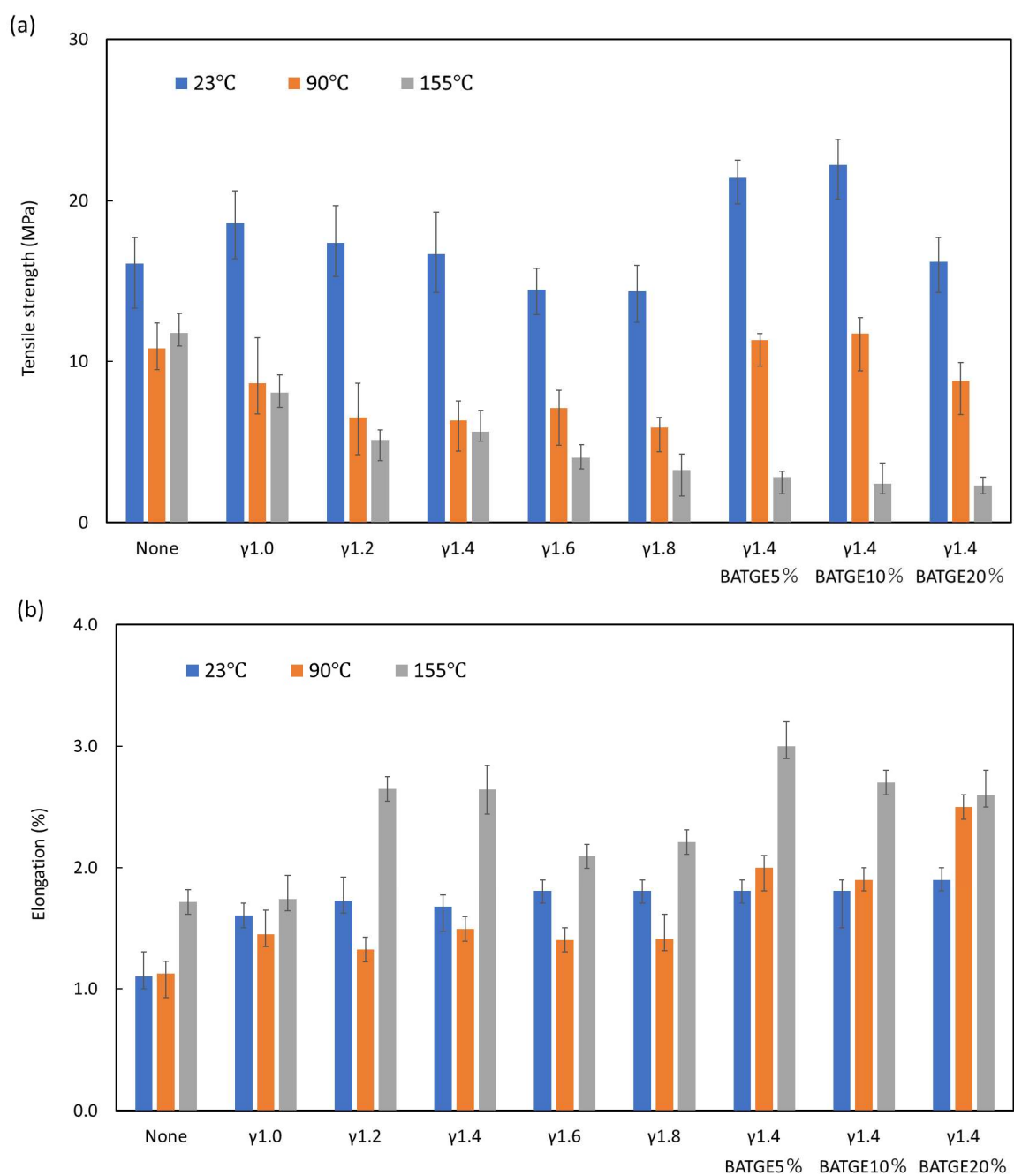


Figure S3. (a) Tensile strength and (b) elongation determined at 23°C, 90°C, and 155°C for the thermosets prepared from the sheet-type adhesives prepared under various γ conditions in the presence or absence of BATGE.

(a) Without epoxy monolith



(b) With epoxy monolith ($\gamma = 1.0$)



(c) With epoxy monolith ($\gamma = 1.4$)



(d) With epoxy monolith ($\gamma = 1.4$), BATGE 5 mol%



(e) With epoxy monolith ($\gamma = 1.8$)



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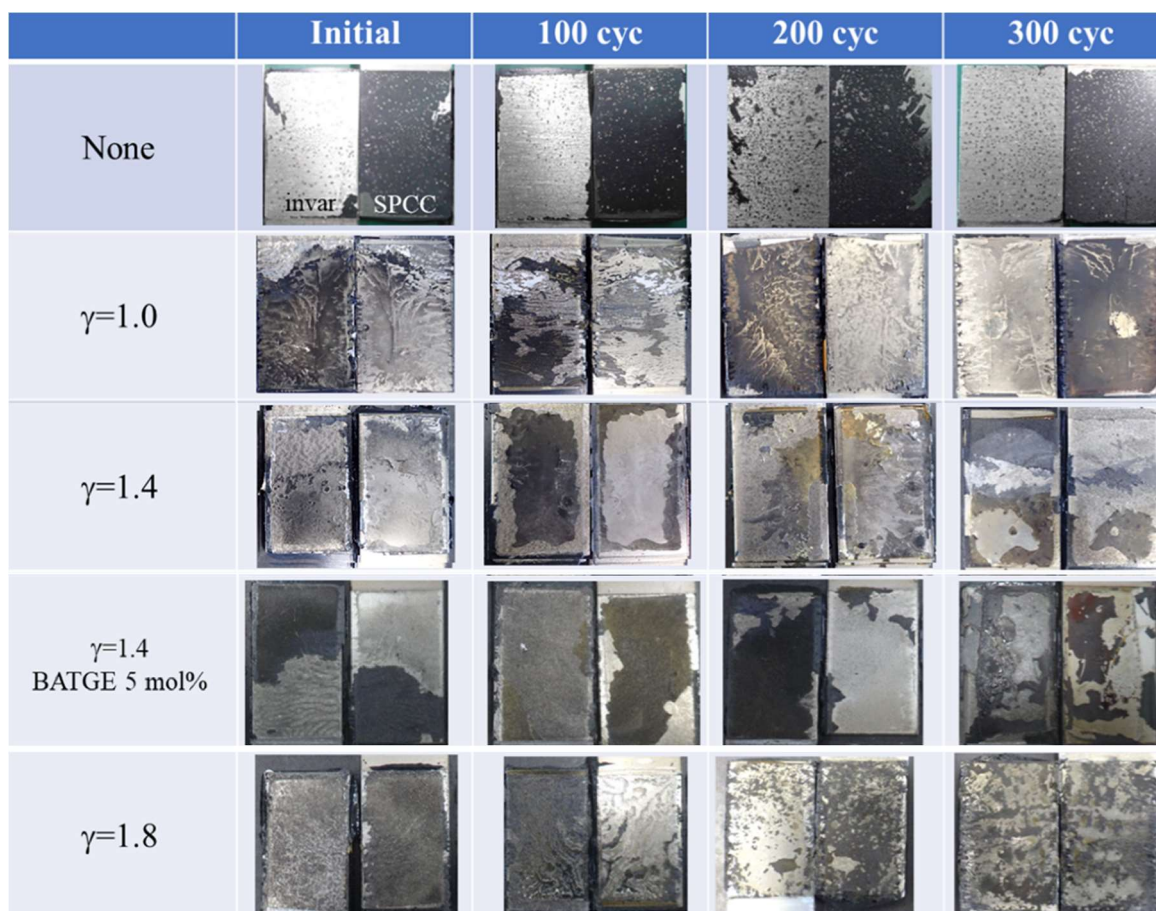
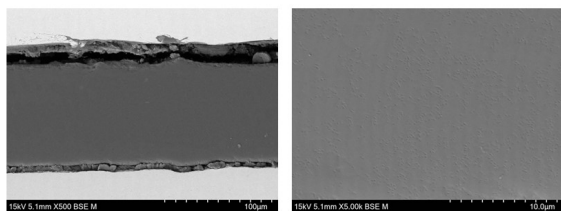
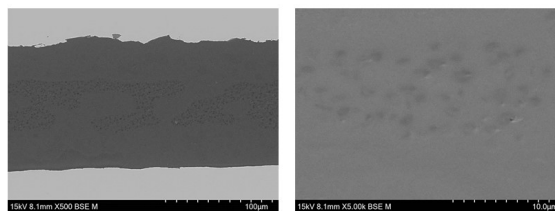


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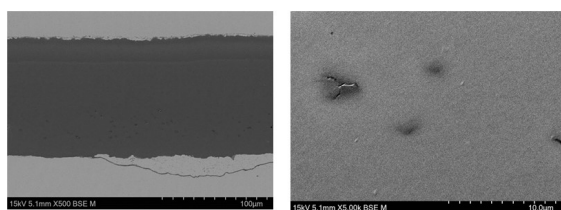
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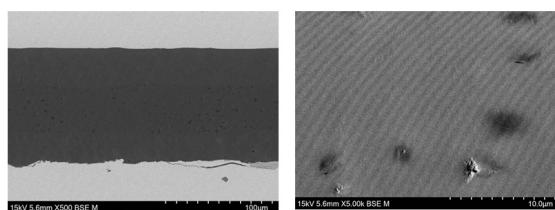
(b) With epoxy monolith ($\gamma = 1.0$)



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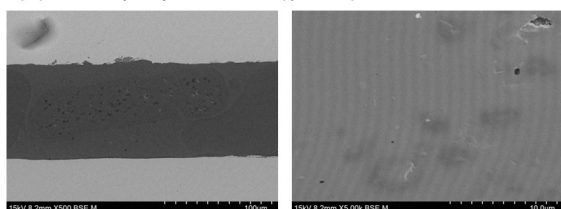


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