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## Water dispersible multifunctional polyaniline- laponite-keggin iron nanocomposite through template approach

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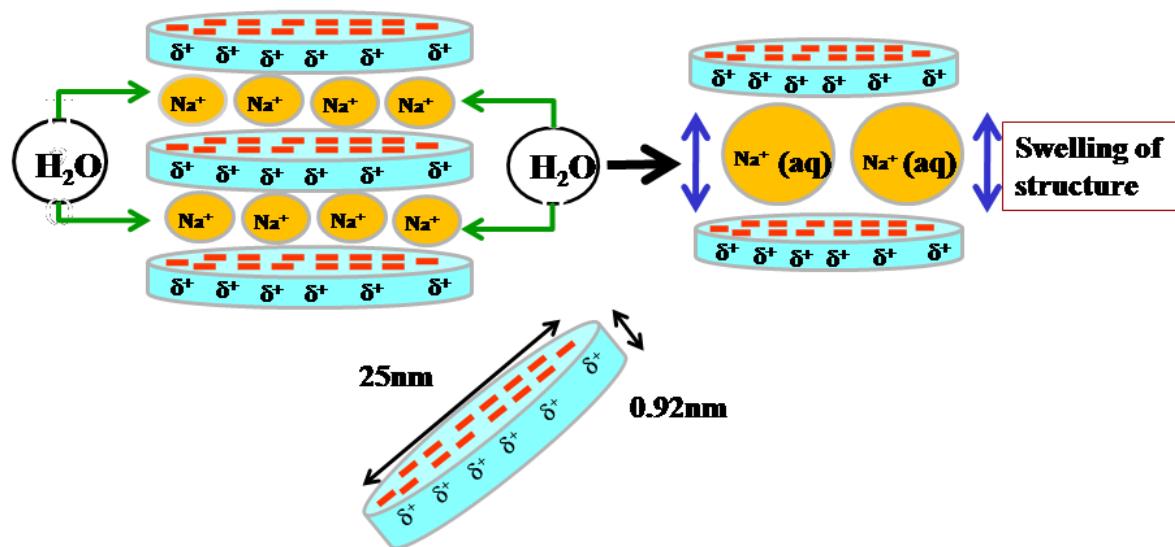
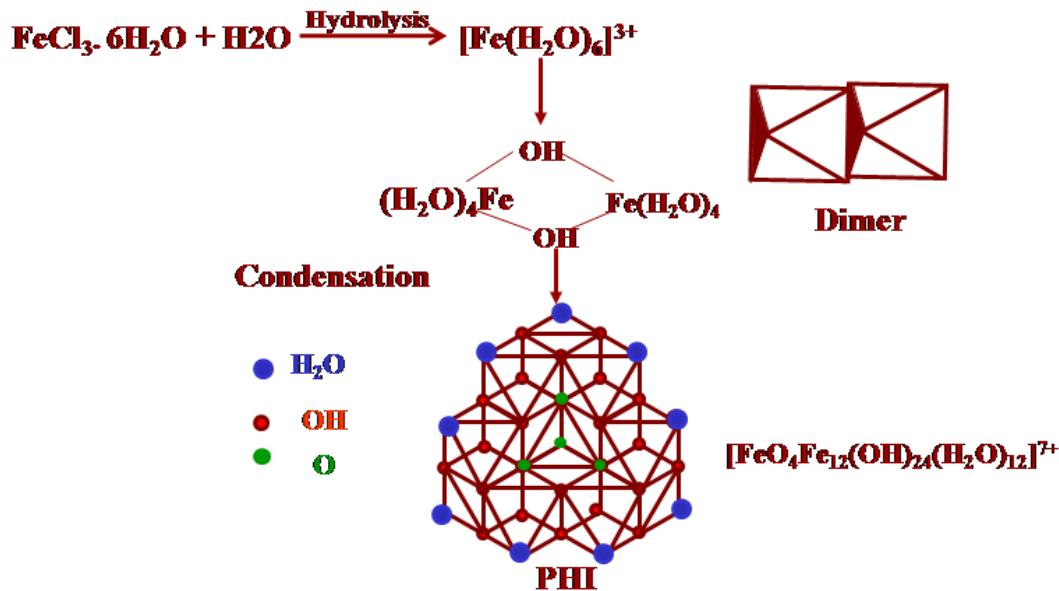


Fig 1S. Structure of laponite



Scheme 1S. The formation of PHI through the hydrolysis of ferric chloride

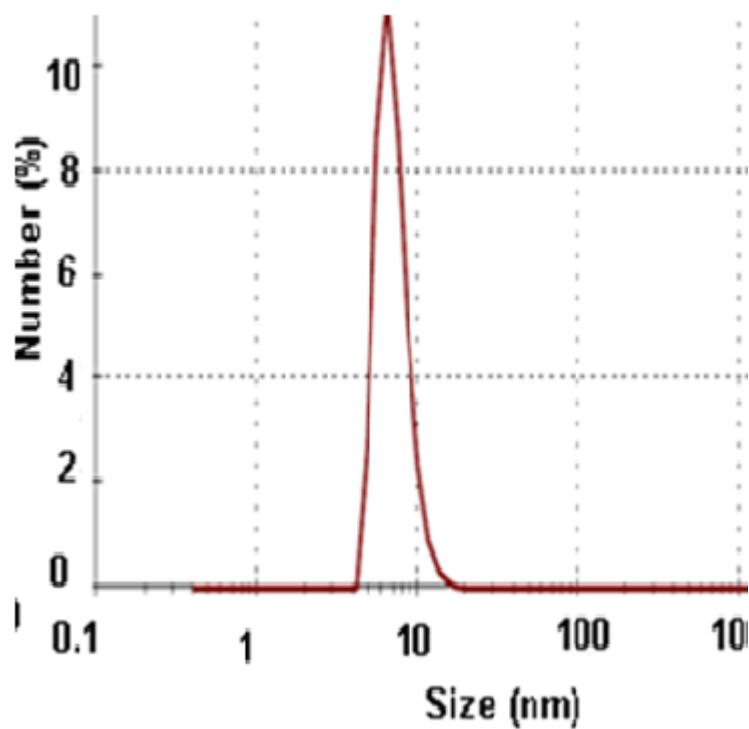
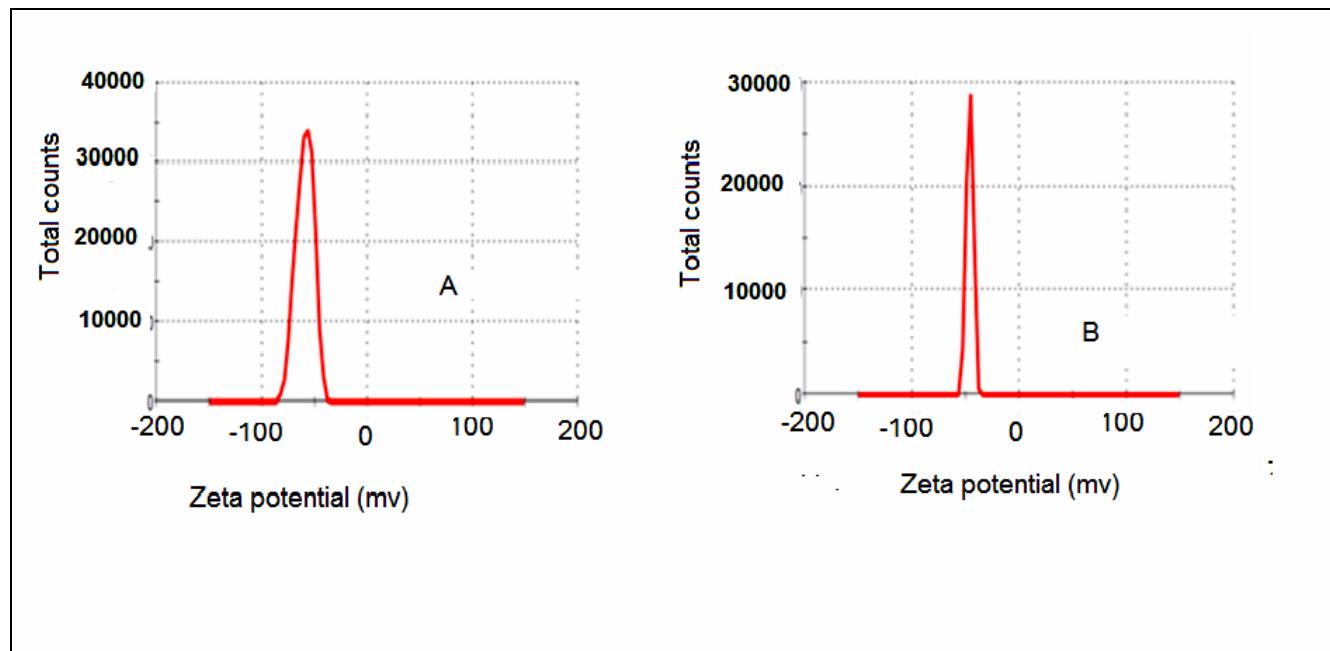


Fig 2S. DLS diagram showing the particle size measurement of PHI



**Fig .3S. Diagram showing the zeta potential of laponite and PIL.**

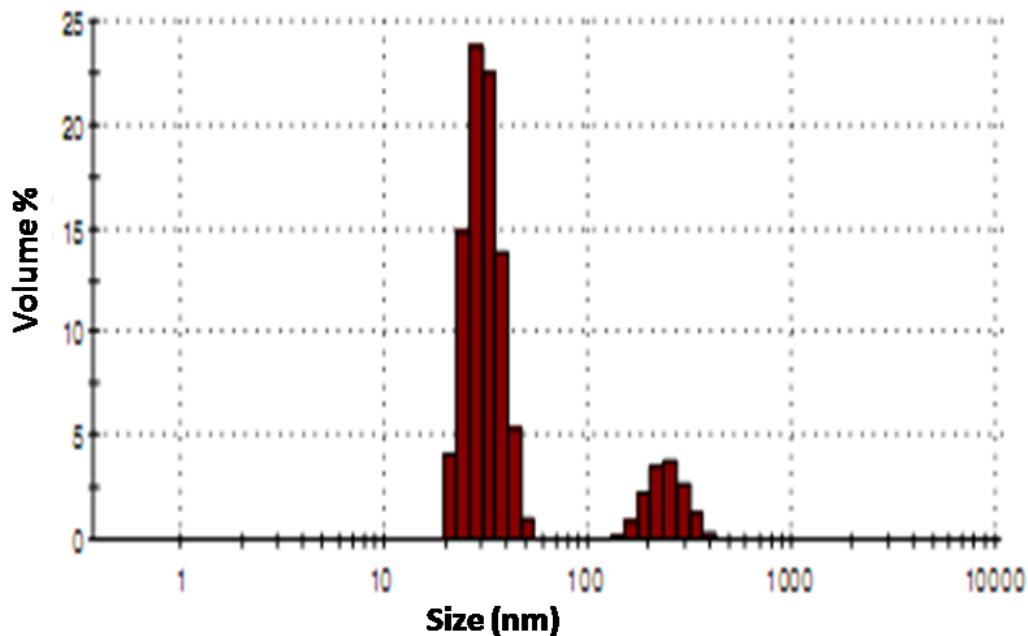
**Table 1S. Experimental details**

Sample	Anilinium hydrochloride, ( $\times 10^{-2}$ mol)	Wt of laponite $\times 10^{-1}$ (g)	Vol of PHI PHI / laponite = 90 mmol/meq (ml)	Ammonium persulphate ( $\times 10^{-2}$ mol)
PPIL1	1	1	14.2	1.1
PPIL2	2	1	14.2	2.2
PPIL3	3	1	14.2	3.3
PPIL4	4	1	14.2	4.4
PPL	1	1	0	1.1
PPI	1	0	14.2	1.1
PP	1	0	0	1.1

**Table 2S.Experimental details and particle size of PPILs.**

Sample	Particle size from DLS (nm)	PDI
PPIL1	60	0.77

PPIL2	65	0.77
PPIL3	75	0.85
PPIL4	200	0.82



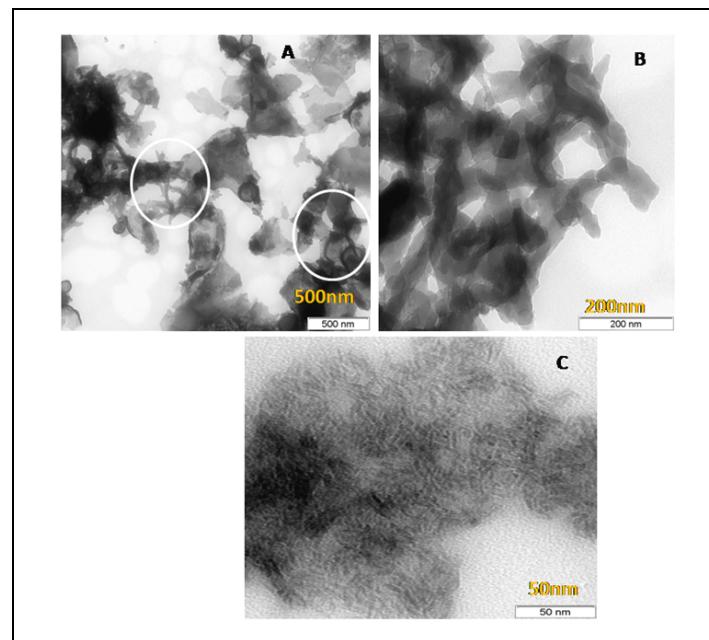
**Fig. 4S Representative DLS histogram showing particle size of PPIL**

**Table 3 S. Details of elemental analysis**

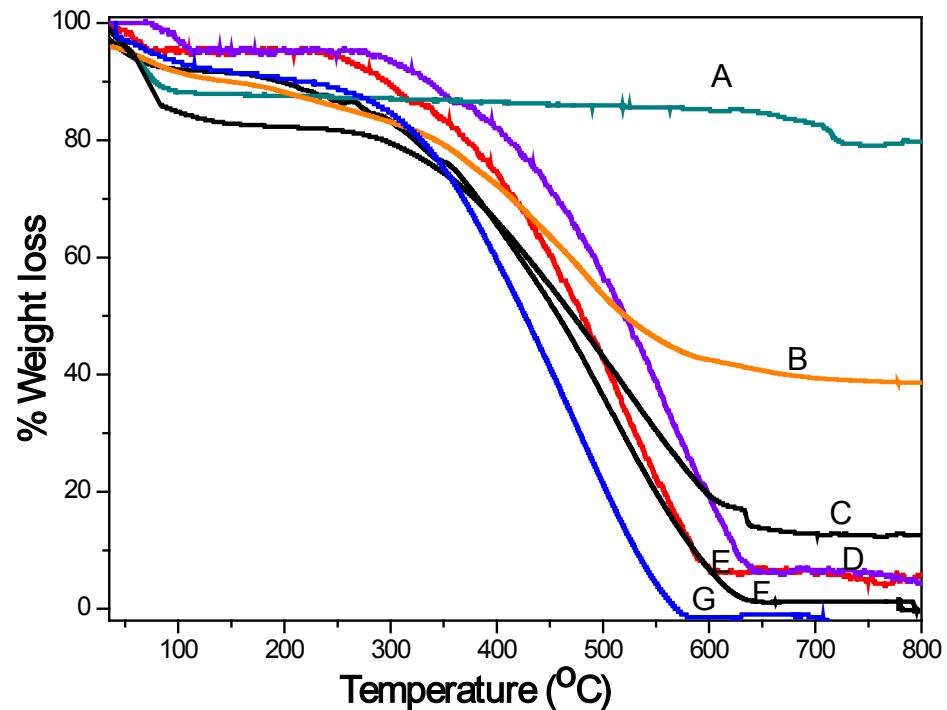
Sample	Calculated ( % )				Observed ( % )			
	C	H	N	Fe	C	H	N	Fe
PPIL1	56.6	4.7	11.1	11.7	57.08	4.9	11.4	7.1
PPIL2	65.73	5.4	12.7	6.6	66.9	5.5	12.9	5.2
PPIL3	69.4	5.76	13.4	4.0	70.8	5.86	13.7	3.1
PPIL4	70.6	5.87	13.7	3.5	71.3	6.01	14.0	2.4
PP	78.2	6.5	15.2	0	75.1	5.34	14.3	0
PPL	73	5.8	13.6	0	70.9	5.2	12.4	0

**Table 4S Details of XRD results**

Sample	Diffraction Angle 2θ (degrees)	d- spacing Å
Laponite	6.51,19.84, 28.18, 35.27, 53.49, 60.83	13.21, 4.35, 3.08, 2.47, 1.66, 1.48.
PIL	5.9, 19.84,27.81, 31.78, 35.27, 53.49.9,60.83	15.2, 3.01, 2.54, 2.09, 1.6, 1.69,1.49
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	30.1, 35.42, 43.20, 53.48, 57.94	2.97, 2.5, 2.09, 2.53, 2.97.
PPIL2	19.84,25.1,27.3,31.78,34.89,43.67,49.19,51.21, 60.58 , 72.2	4.35,3.45, 3.18, 2.74, 2.5, 2.02,1.78, 1.73, 1.48



**Figure 5S : TEM images of A- PPIL2 B- PPIL4 and (C) PIL .**



**Fig. 6S. TGA curves for A- laponite, B- PPL, C-PPIL1, D-PPIL2, E-PPIL3, F PPIL4, G. PP**

Table 5S. Details of weight loss during thermal decomposition

Sample	Organic content(calc) %	Char content (calc) %	Char content from TGA( wt %)	Organic content from TGA( wt %)
PPIL1	72.46	27.45	14.72	76.3
PPIL2	84.03	14.2	8.35	87.15
PPIL3	88.75	11.24	4.75	90.25
PPIL4	91.32	8.65	2.25	95.75

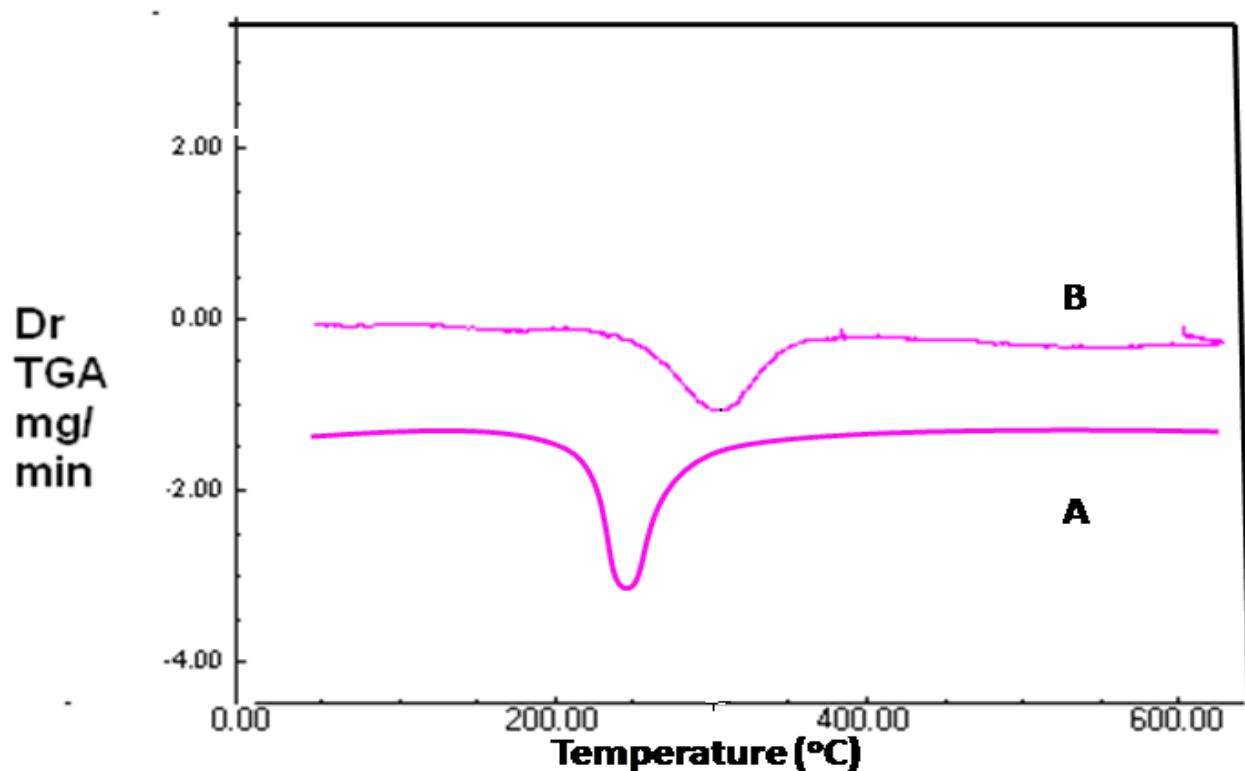


Fig. 7S DTG curves for A- PP and B- PPIL3

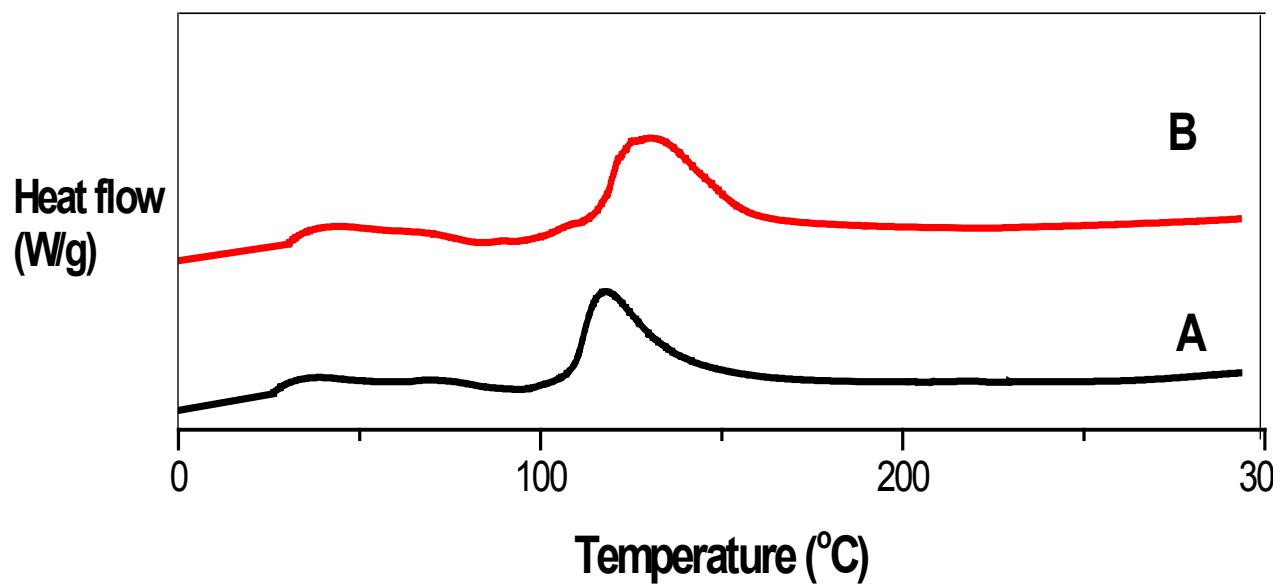
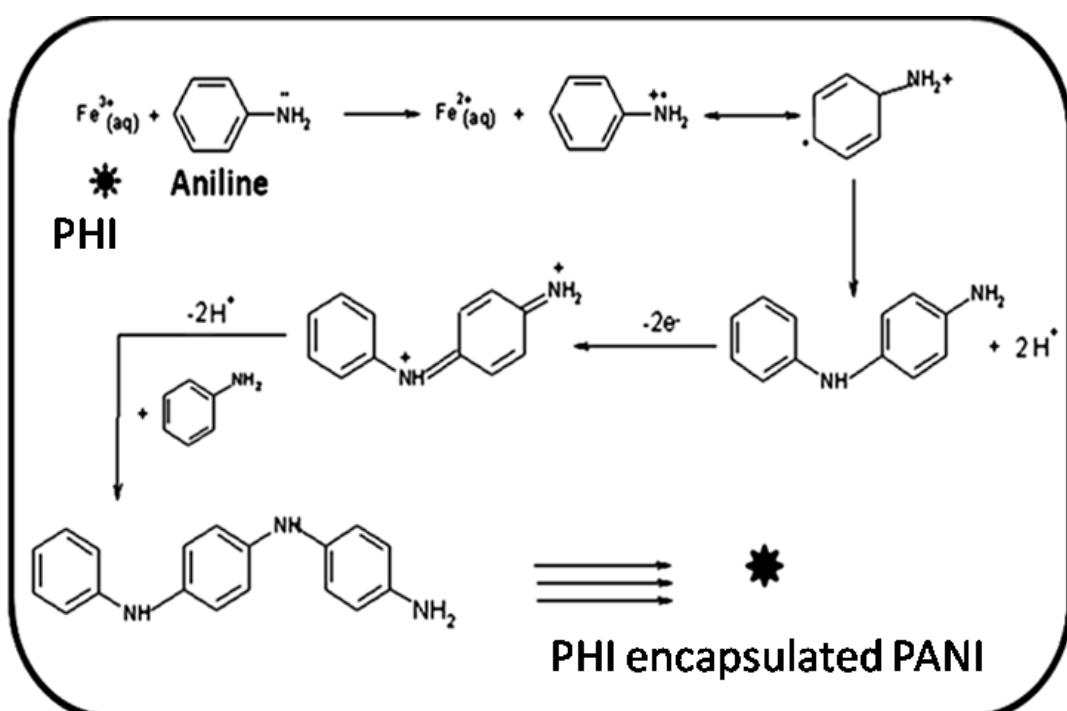


Fig. 8S DSC of A- PP, B- PPIL3



Scheme 2S. Mechanism showing the template role of PIL in the formation of PANI