

# Understanding Structure-property relationships of main chain cyclopropanes in linear polyesters

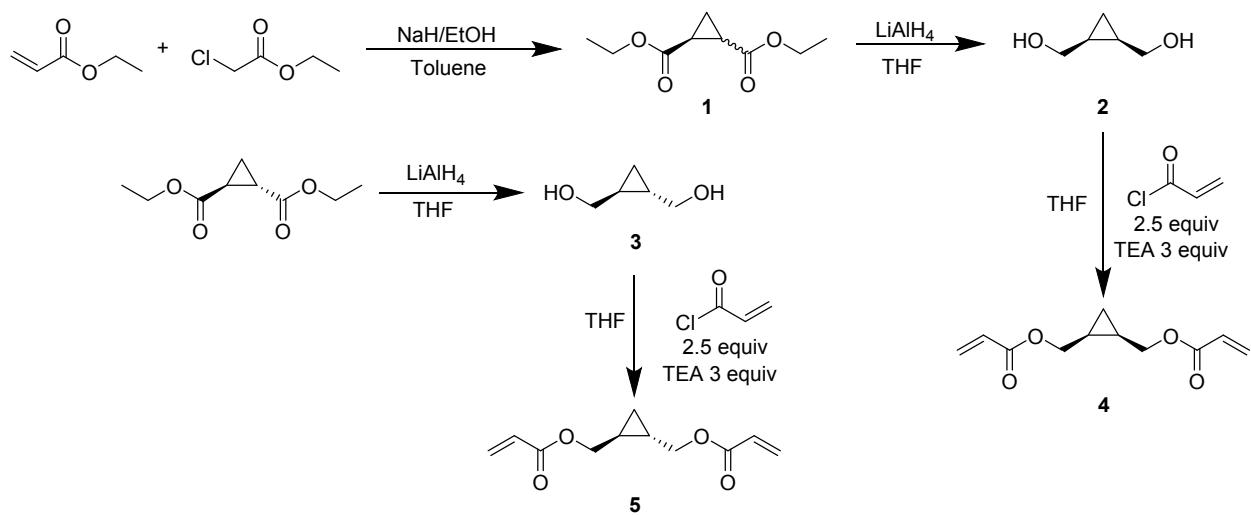
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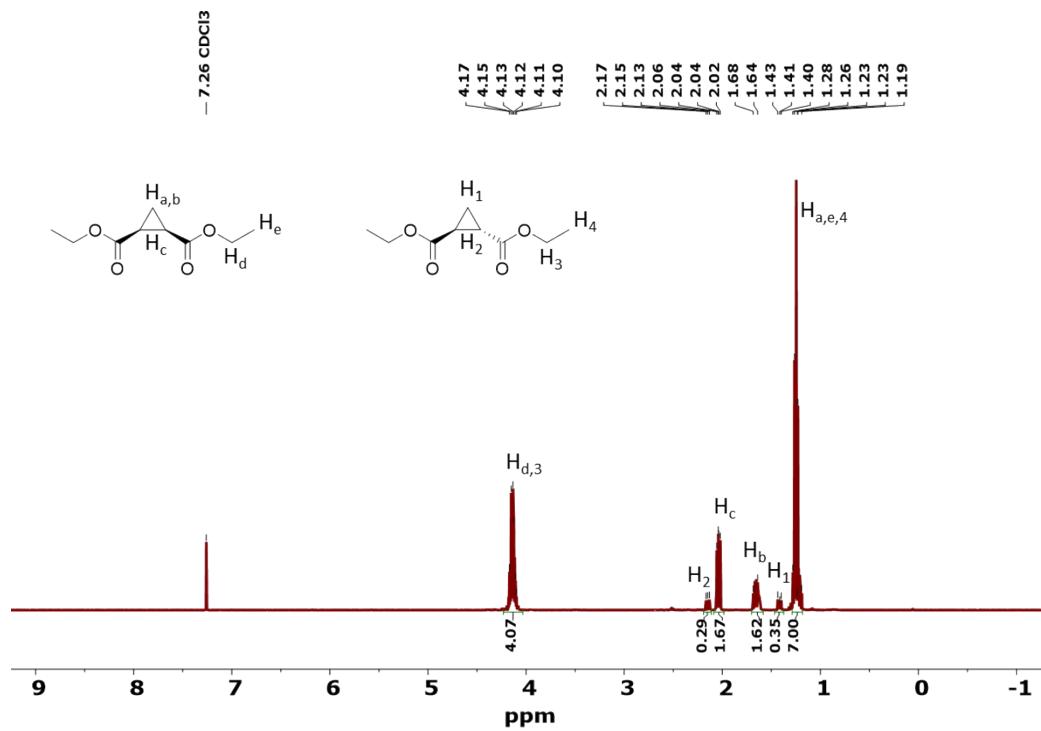
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### Synthetic scheme for cyclopropane diacrylate preparation

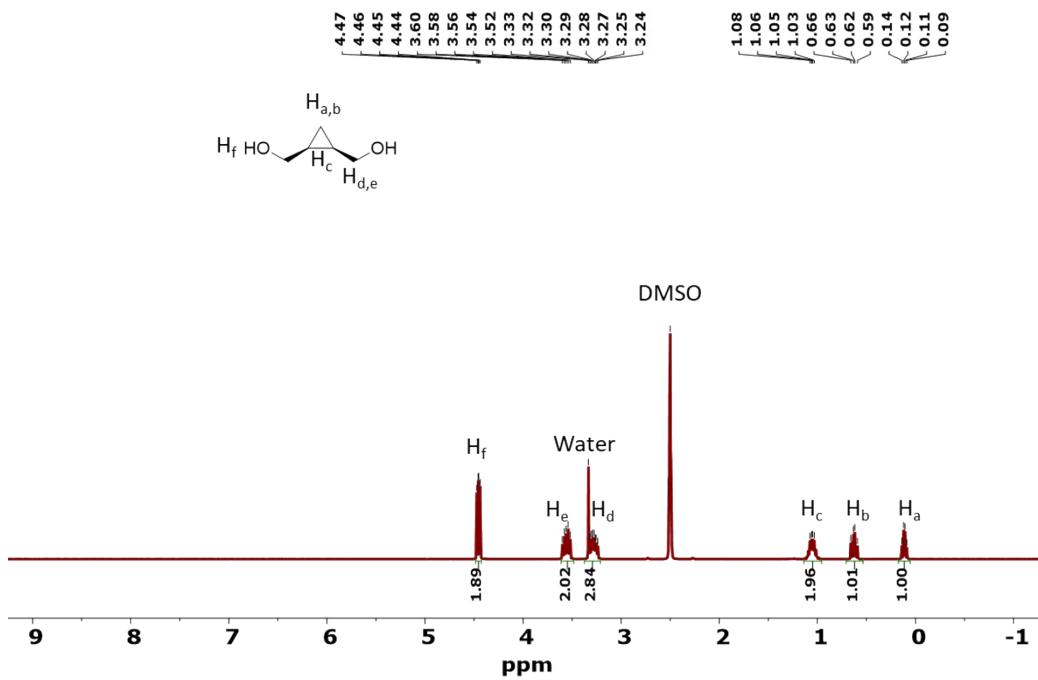


**Figure S1** Synthetic scheme for the preparation of cyclopropane diacrylate monomers

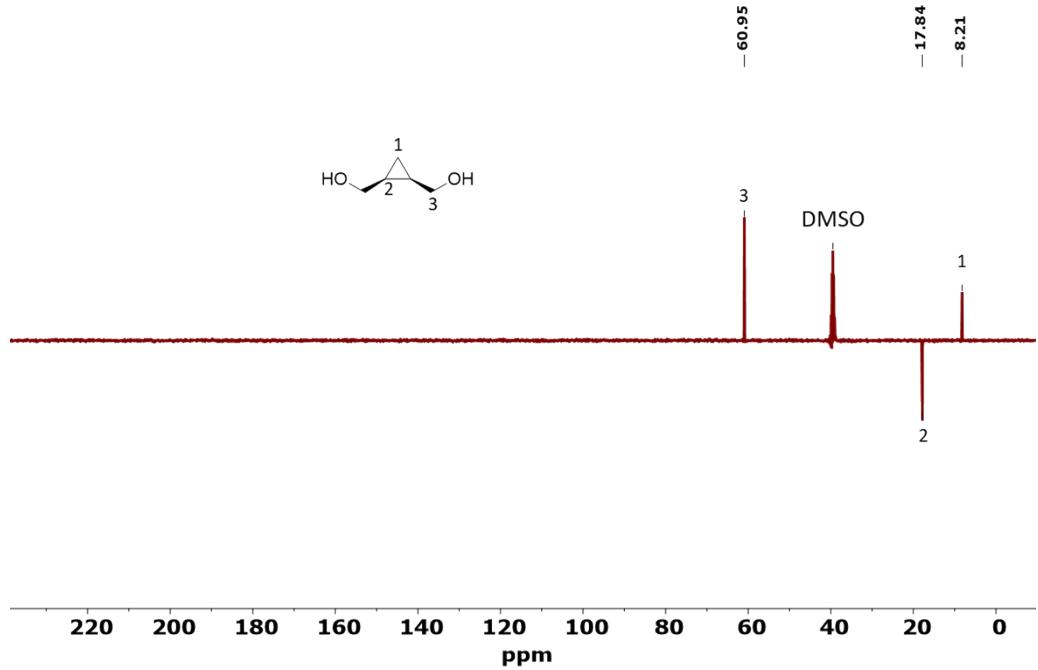
## NMR spectra of monomers and precursors



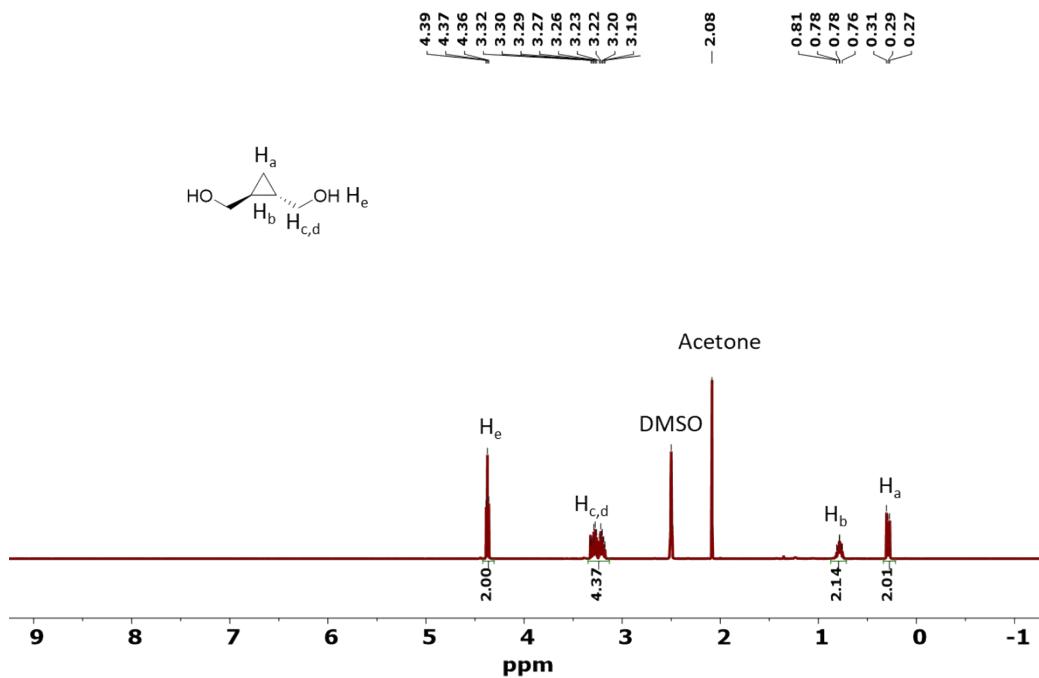
**Figure S2**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of racemic diethyl-1,2-cyclopropane dicarboxylate in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K) (**1**)



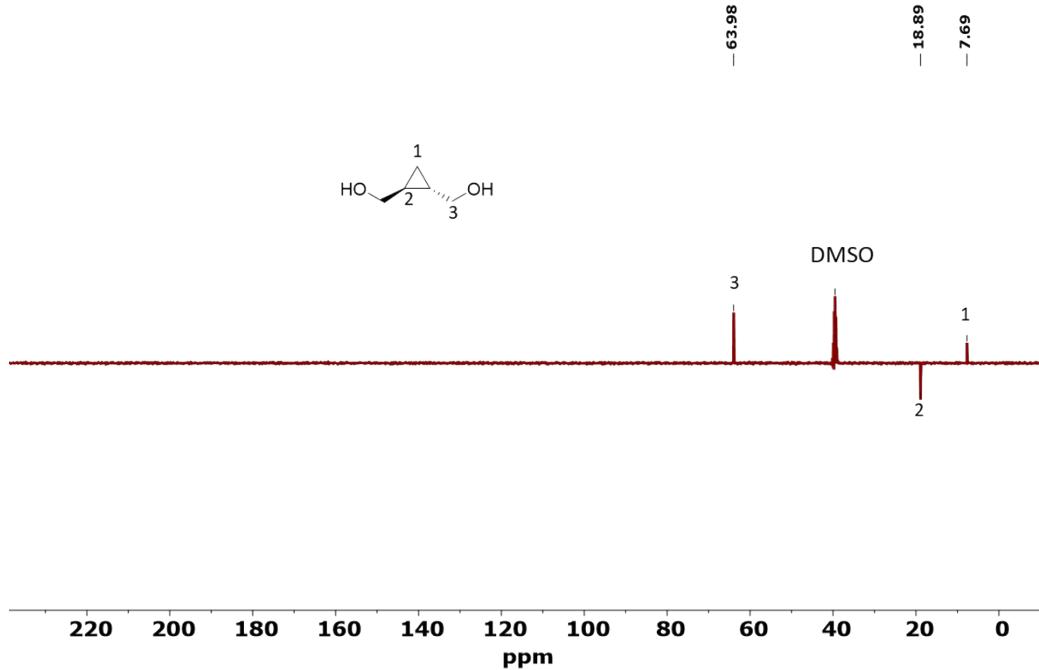
**Figure S3**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of *cis*-1,2-cyclopropanedimethanol (**2**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



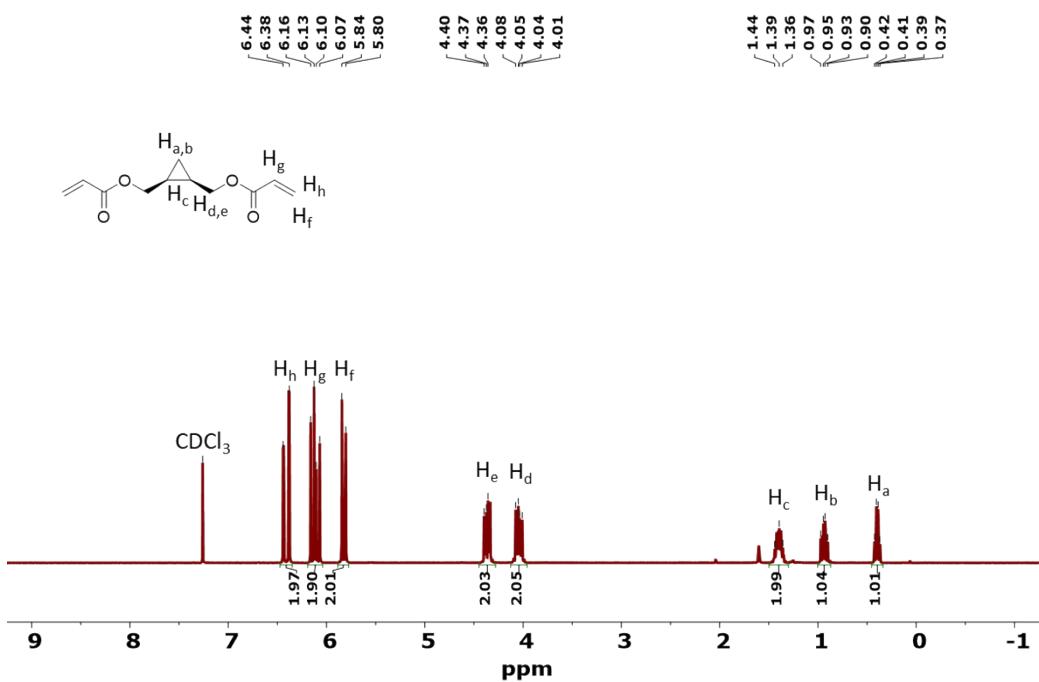
**Figure S4**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of *cis*-1,2-cyclopropanedimethanol (**2**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



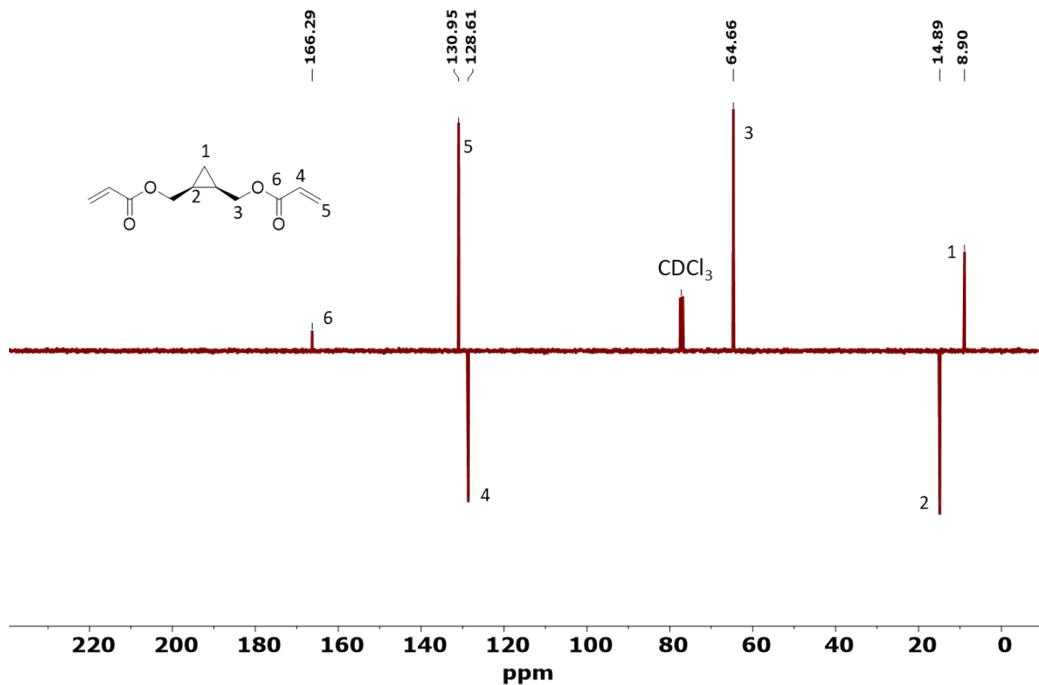
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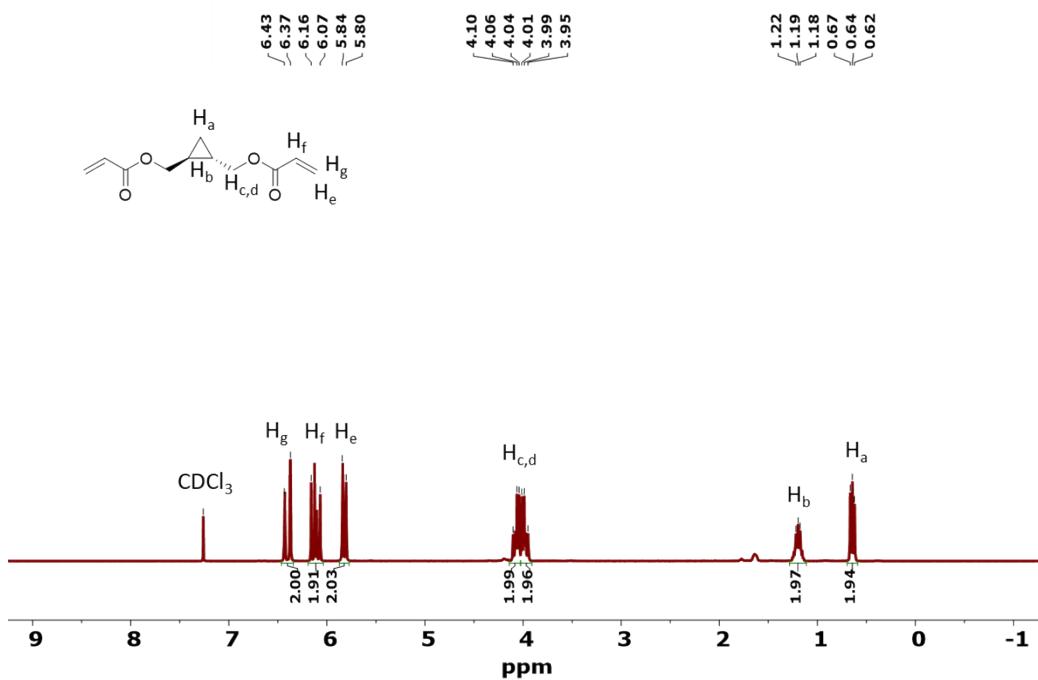
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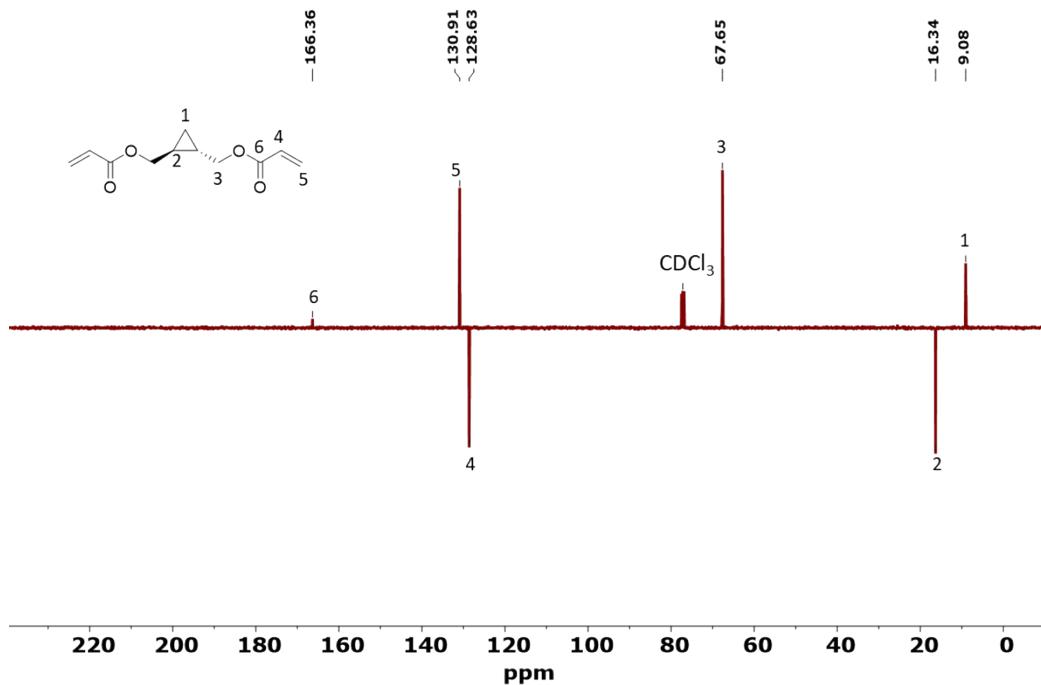
**Figure S7**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of *cis* Cy-diacrylate monomer (**4**) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



**Figure S8**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of *cis* Cy-diacrylate monomer (**4**) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)

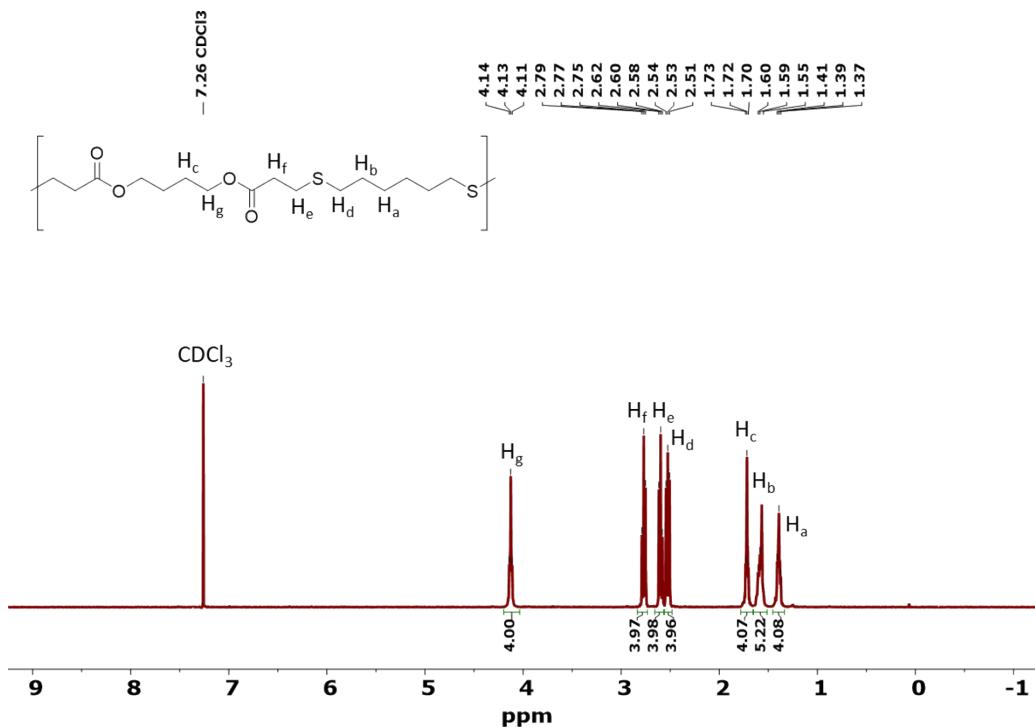


**Figure S9**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of *trans* Cy-diacrylate monomer (**5**) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)

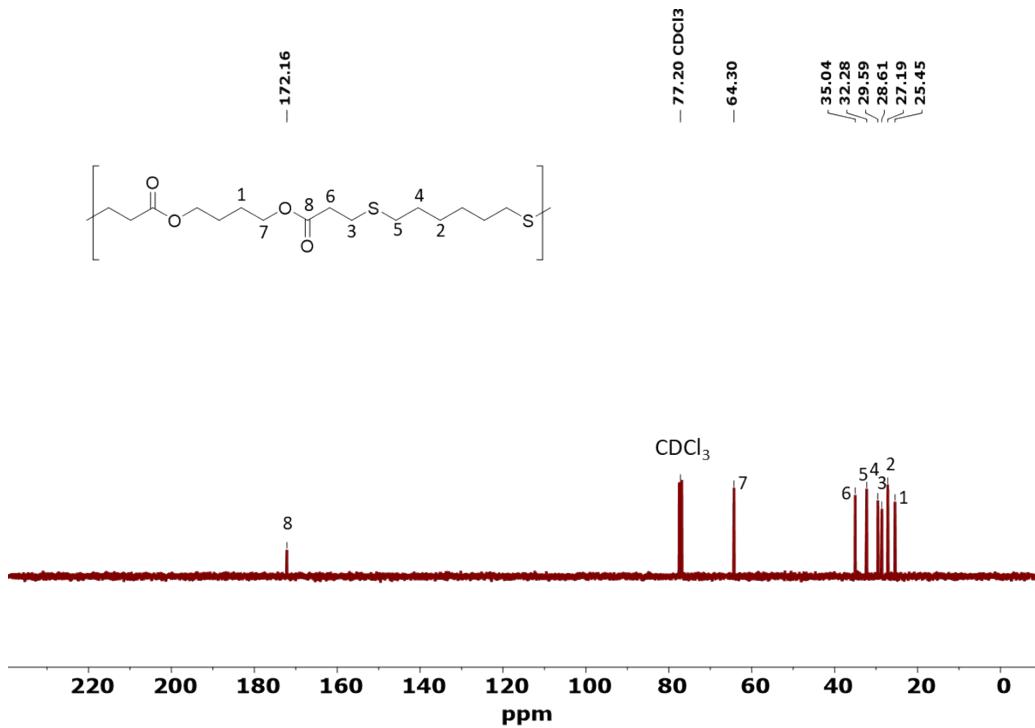


**Figure S10**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of *trans* Cy-diacrylate monomer (**5**) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)

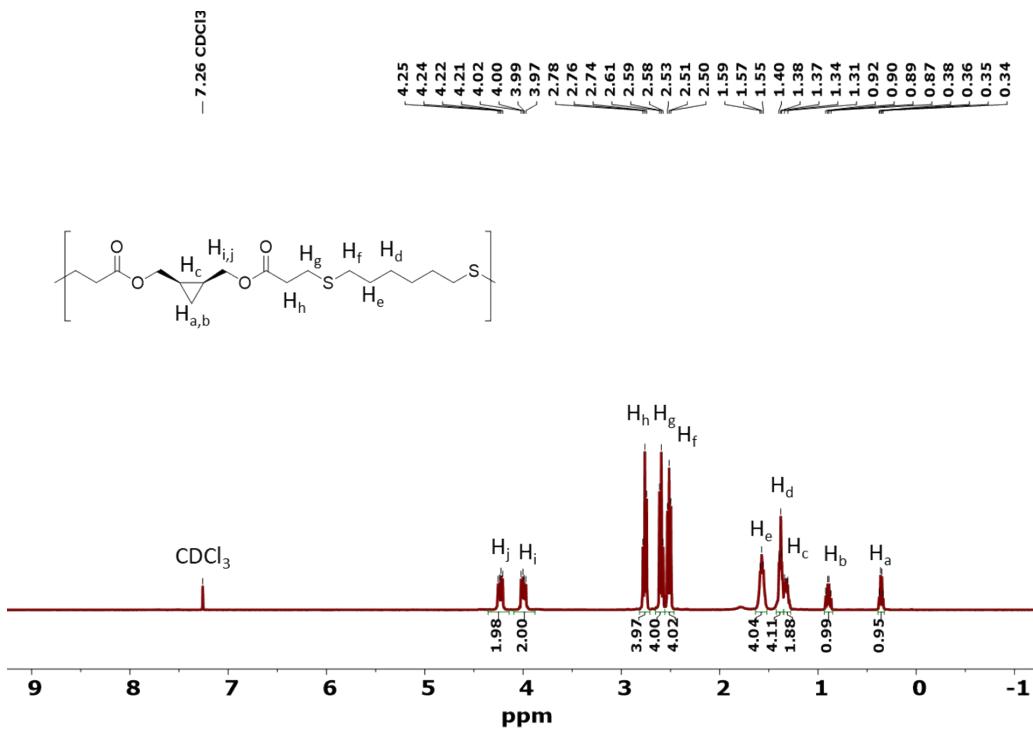
## NMR spectra of Homopolymers



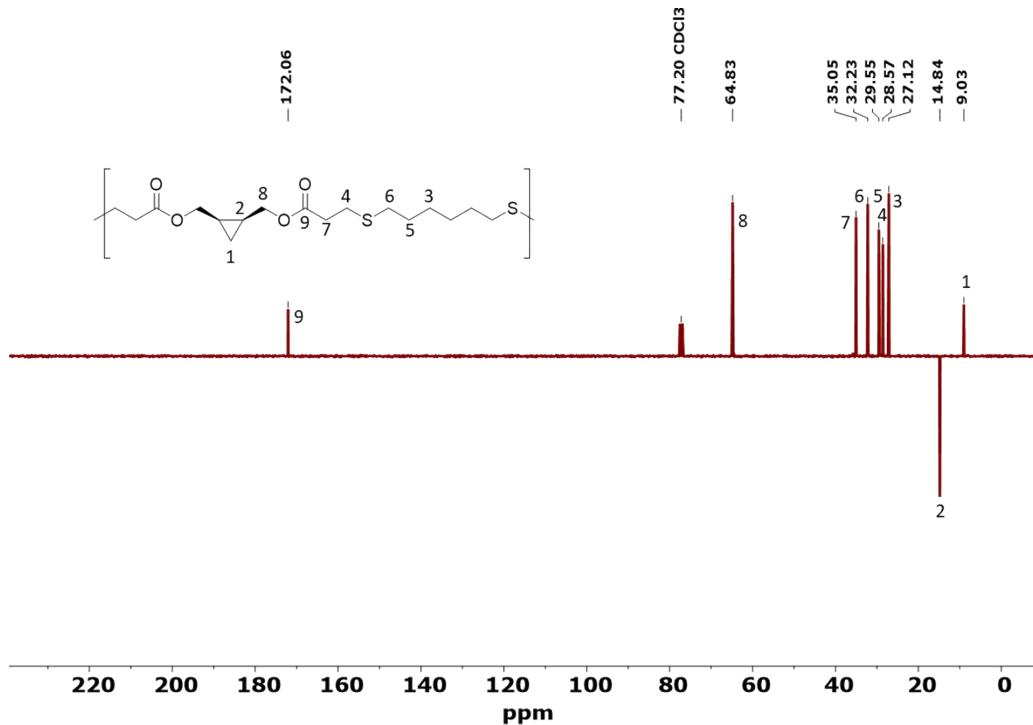
**Figure S11** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **BD-*co*-HDT** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



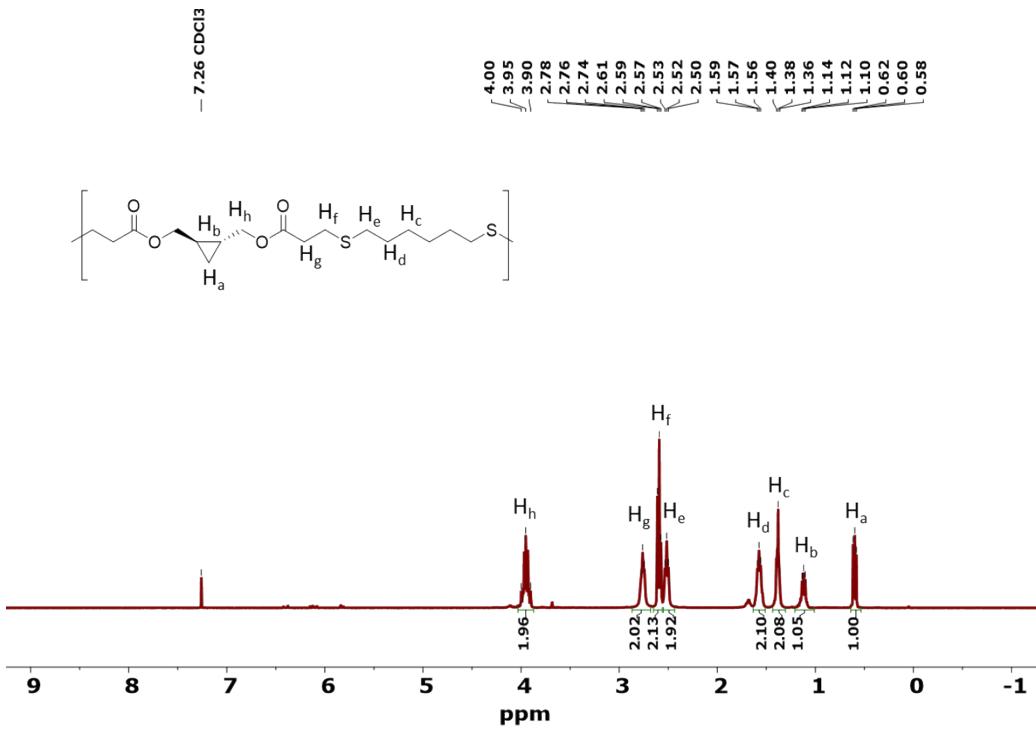
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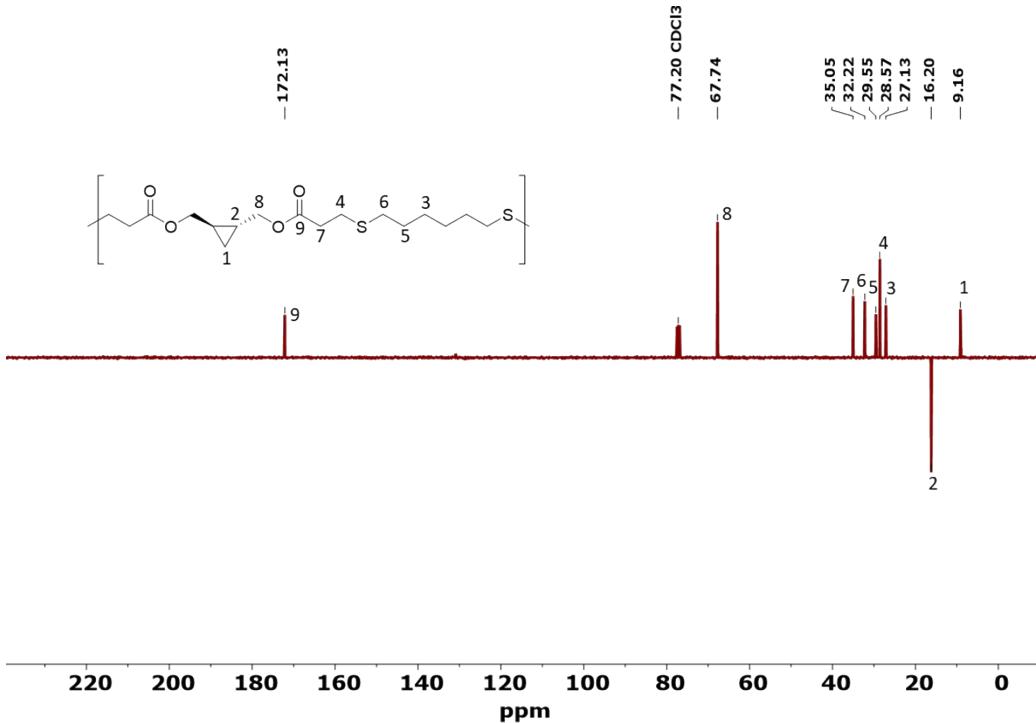
**Figure S13**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Cy(*cis*)-*co*-HDT in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



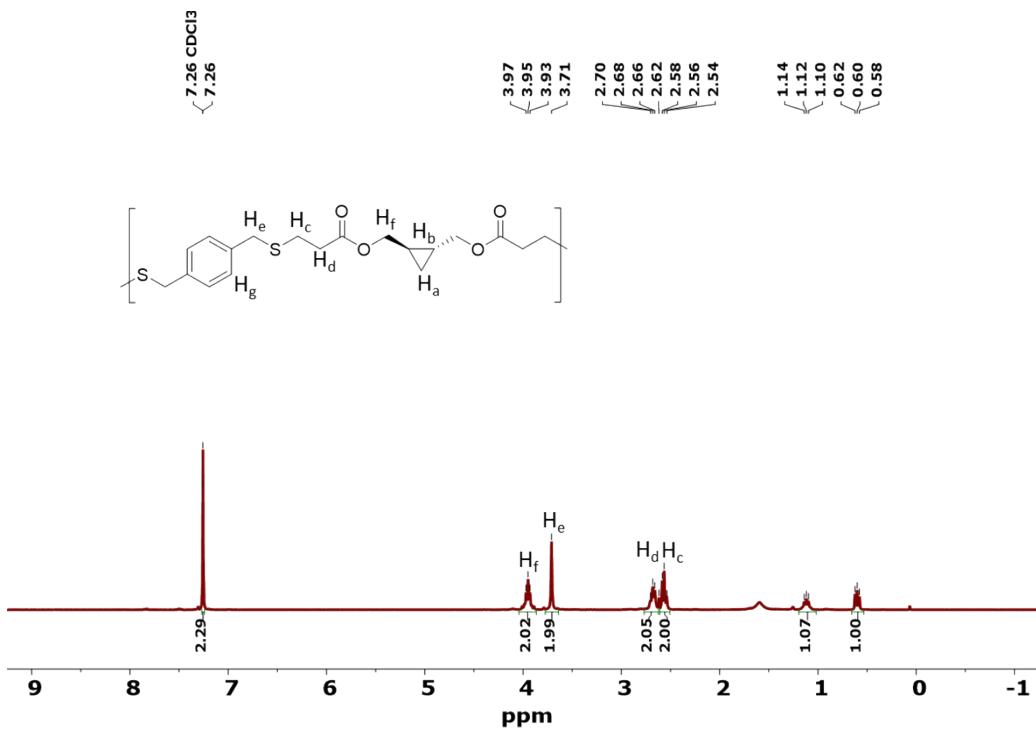
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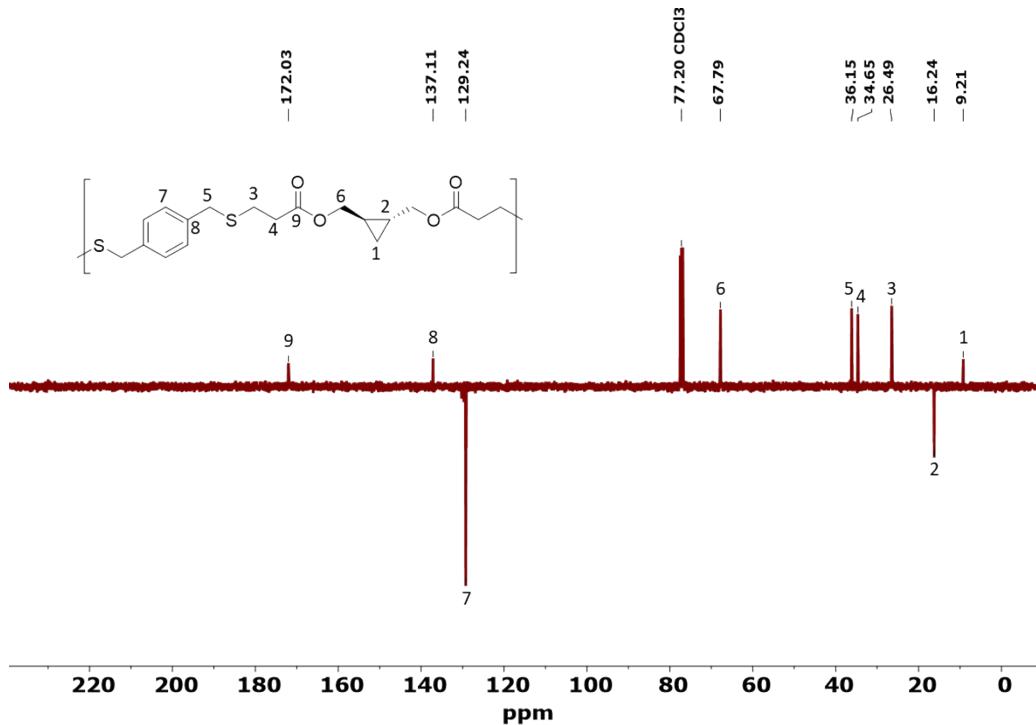
**Figure S15** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of Cy(*trans*)-co-HDT in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, 298 K)



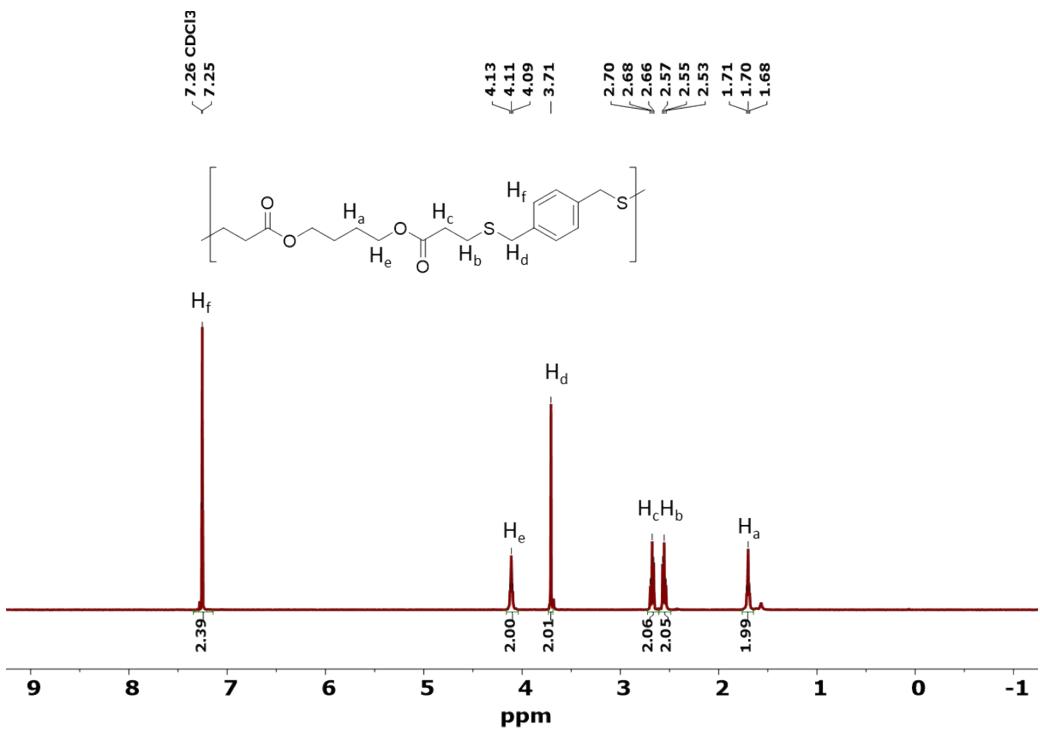
**Figure S16** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of Cy(*trans*)-co-HDT in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, 298 K)



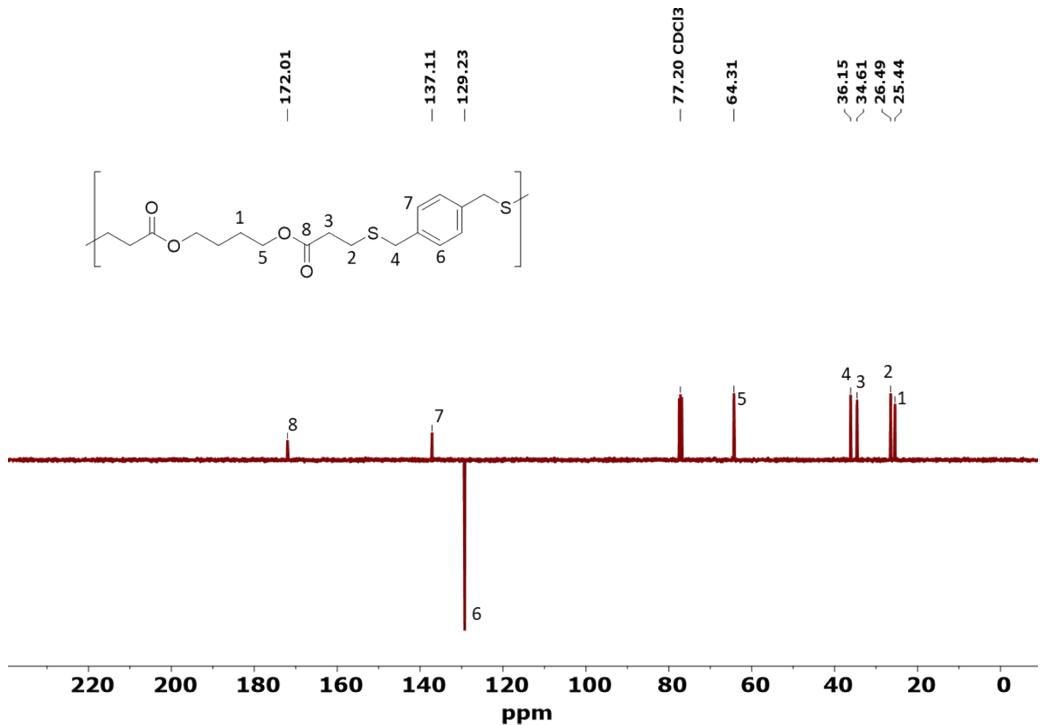
**Figure S17**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Cy(*trans*)-*co*-BDT in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



**Figure S18**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of Cy(*trans*)-*co*-BDT in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)

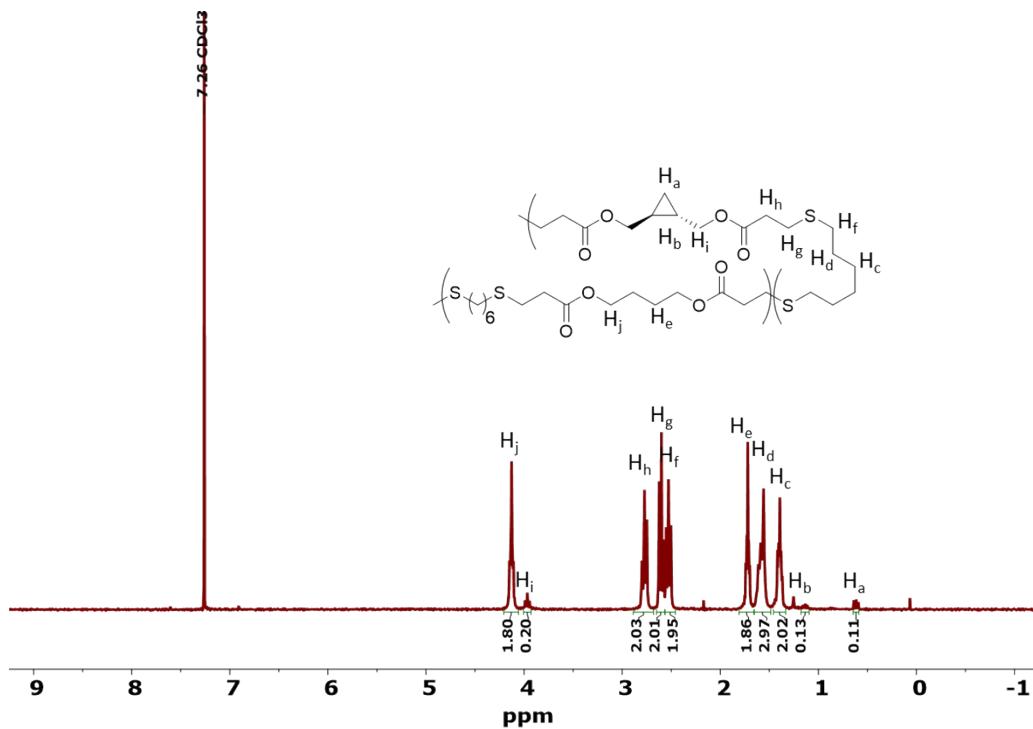


**Figure S19**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **BD-*co*-BDT** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, 298 K)

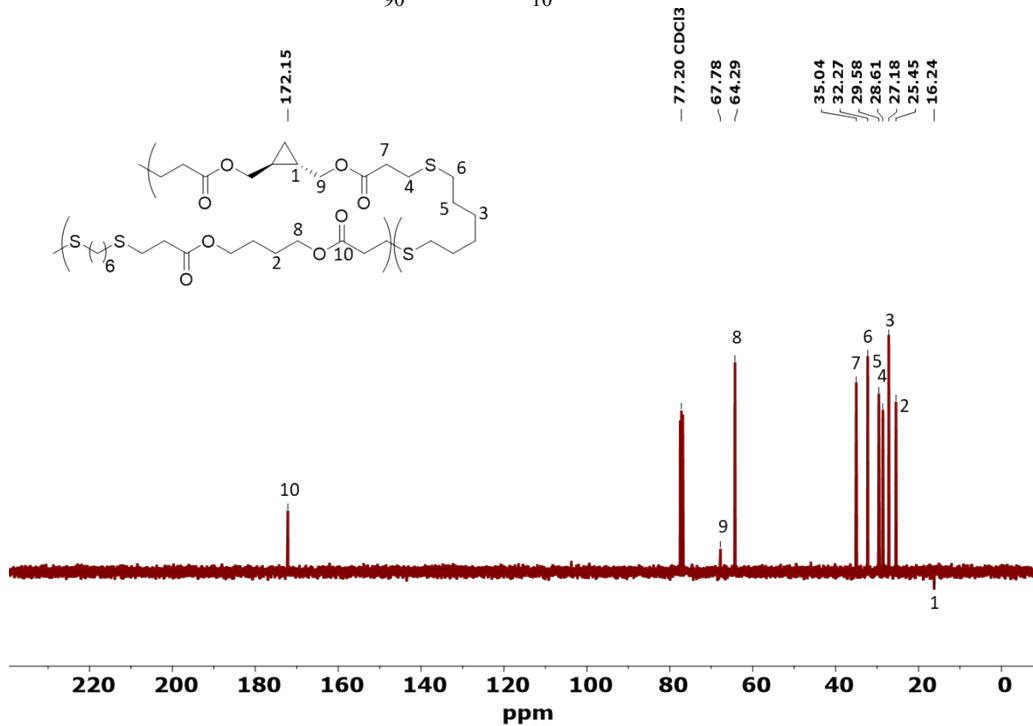


**Figure S20**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **BD-*co*-BDT** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, 298 K)

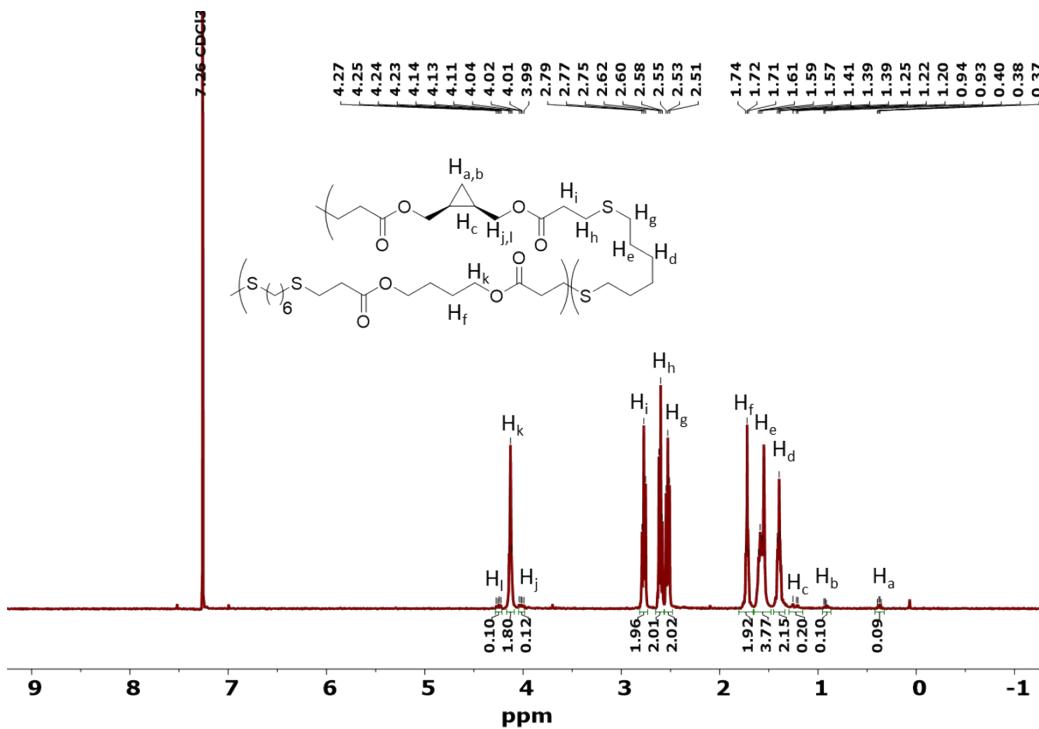
## NMR spectra of copolymers



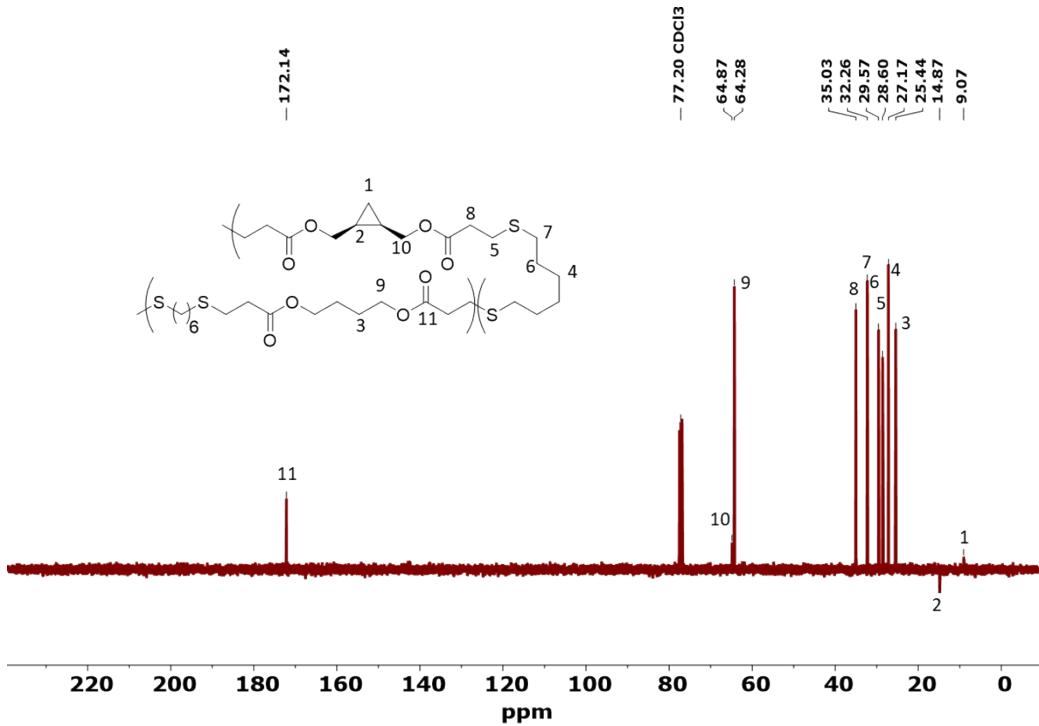
**Figure S21**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{BD}_{90}\text{Cy}(\text{trans})_{10}\text{-co-HDT}$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



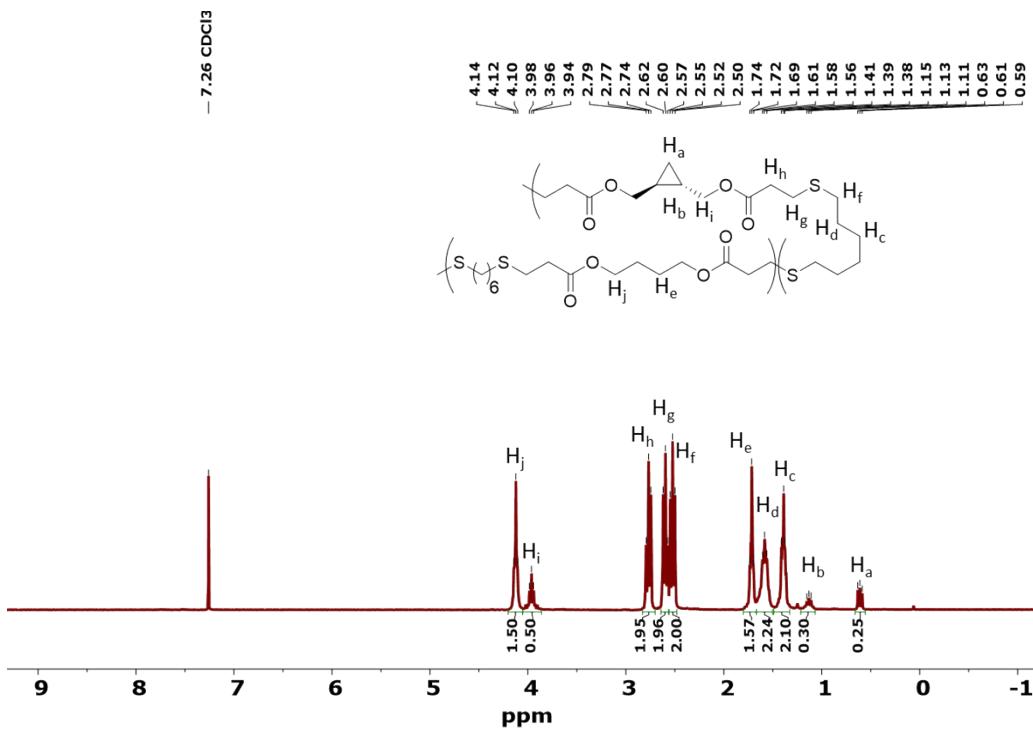
**Figure S22**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{BD}_{90}\text{Cy}(\text{trans})_{10}\text{-co-HDT}$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



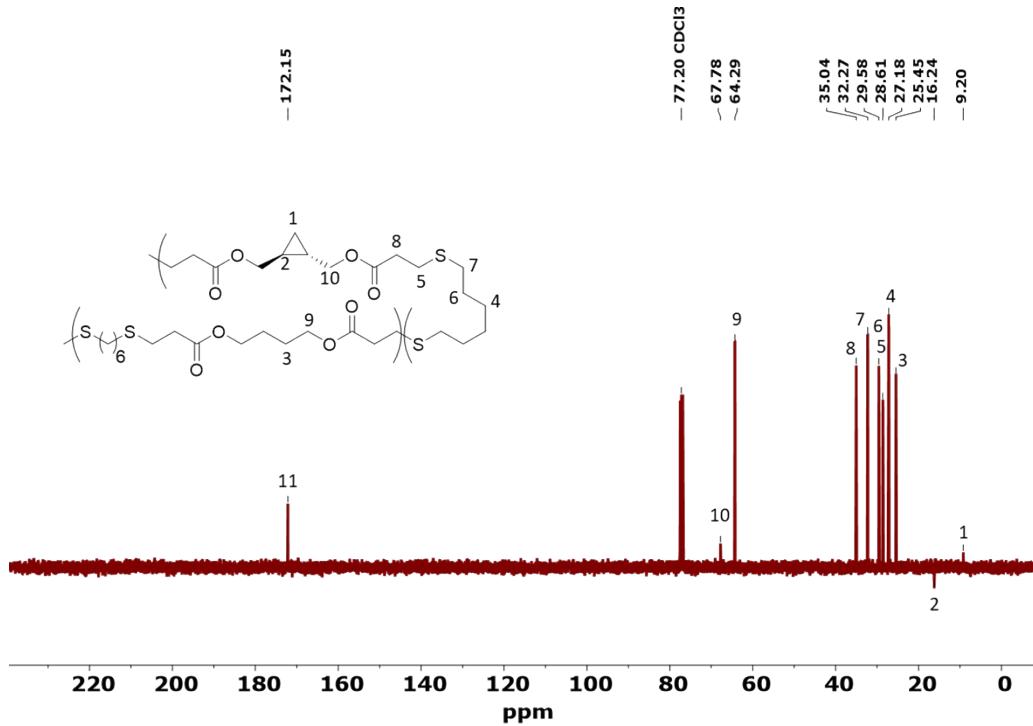
**Figure S23**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{BD}_{90}\text{Cy}(\text{cis})_{10}-co\text{-HDT}$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)



**Figure S24**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{BD}_{90}\text{Cy}(\text{cis})_{10}-co\text{-HDT}$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (400 MHz, 298 K)

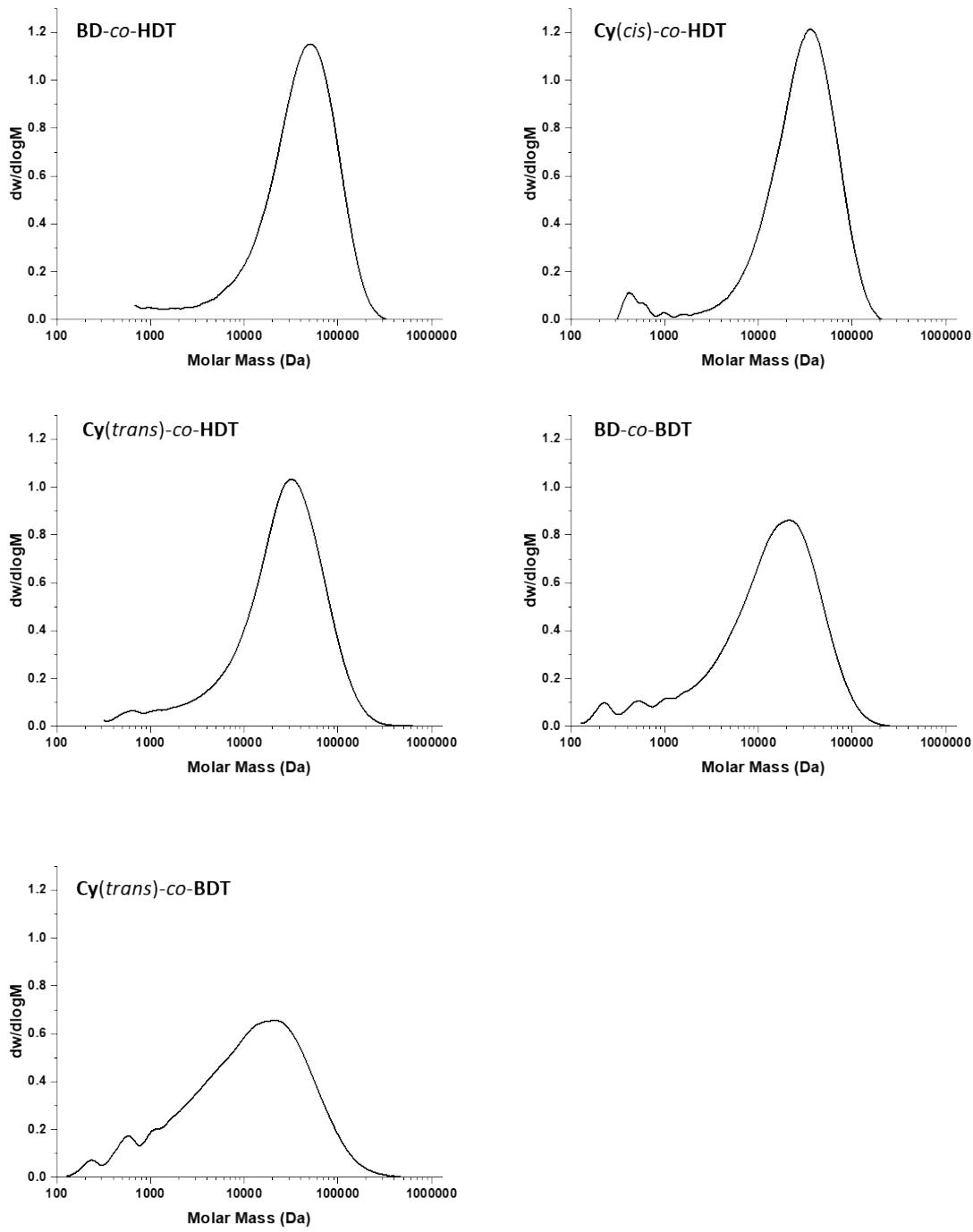


**Figure S25** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **BD**<sub>75</sub> **Cy**(*trans*)<sub>25</sub>-*co*-**HDT** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, 298 K)



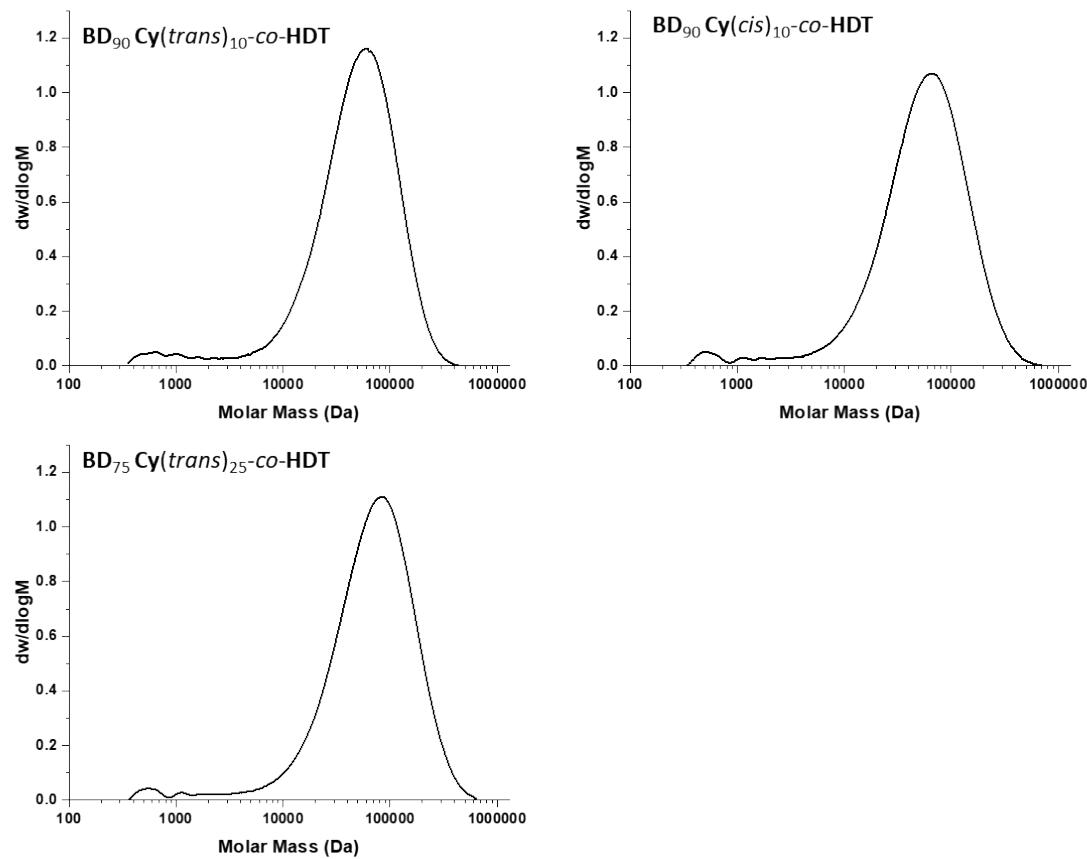
**Figure S26** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **BD**<sub>75</sub> **Cy**(*trans*)<sub>25</sub>-*co*-**HDT** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, 298 K)

## SEC chromatograms of Homopolymers



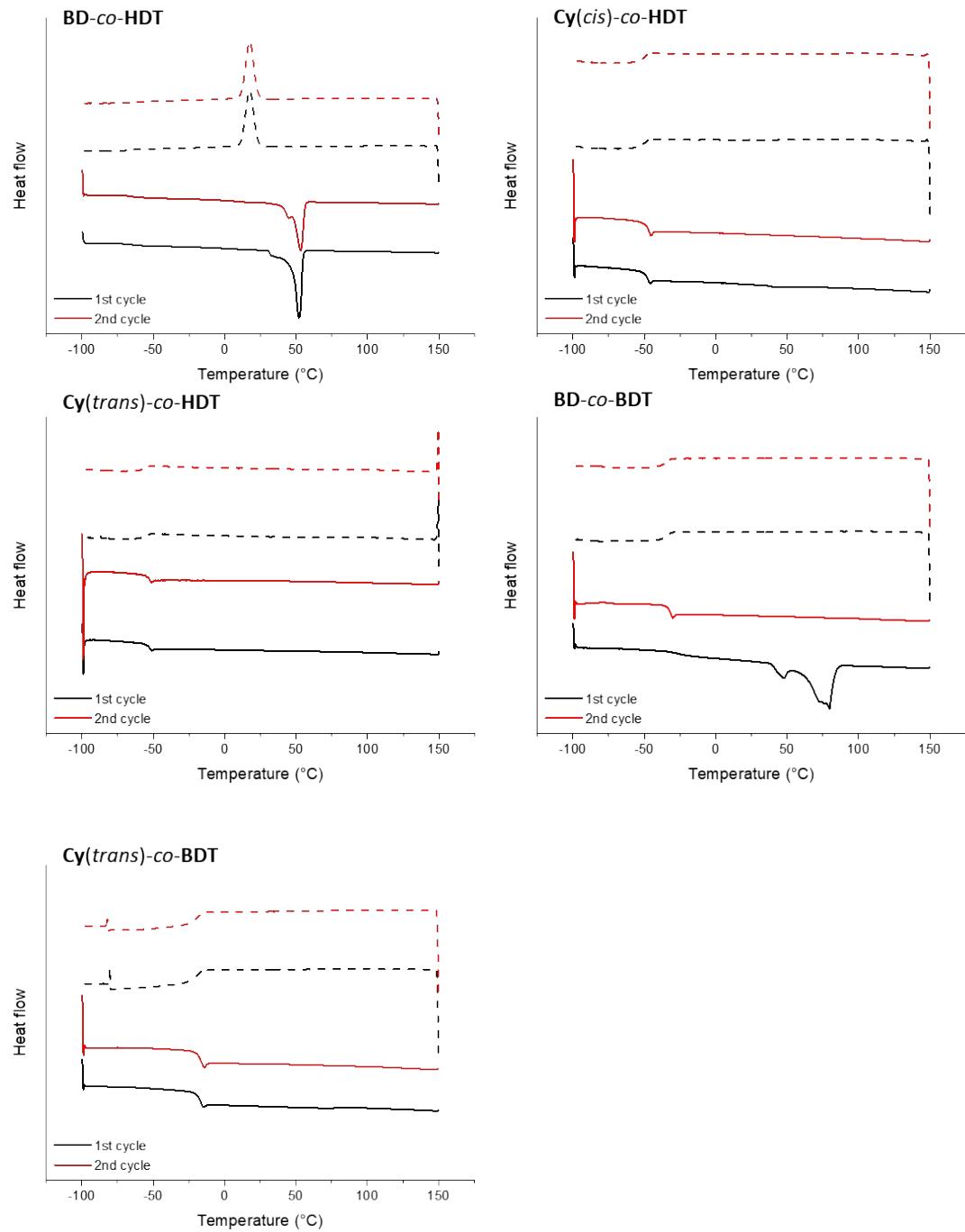
**Figure S27** SEC chromatograms of homopolymers calculated against polystyrene standards in THF + 2% v/v  $\text{NEt}_3$ .

## SEC chromatograms of Copolymers



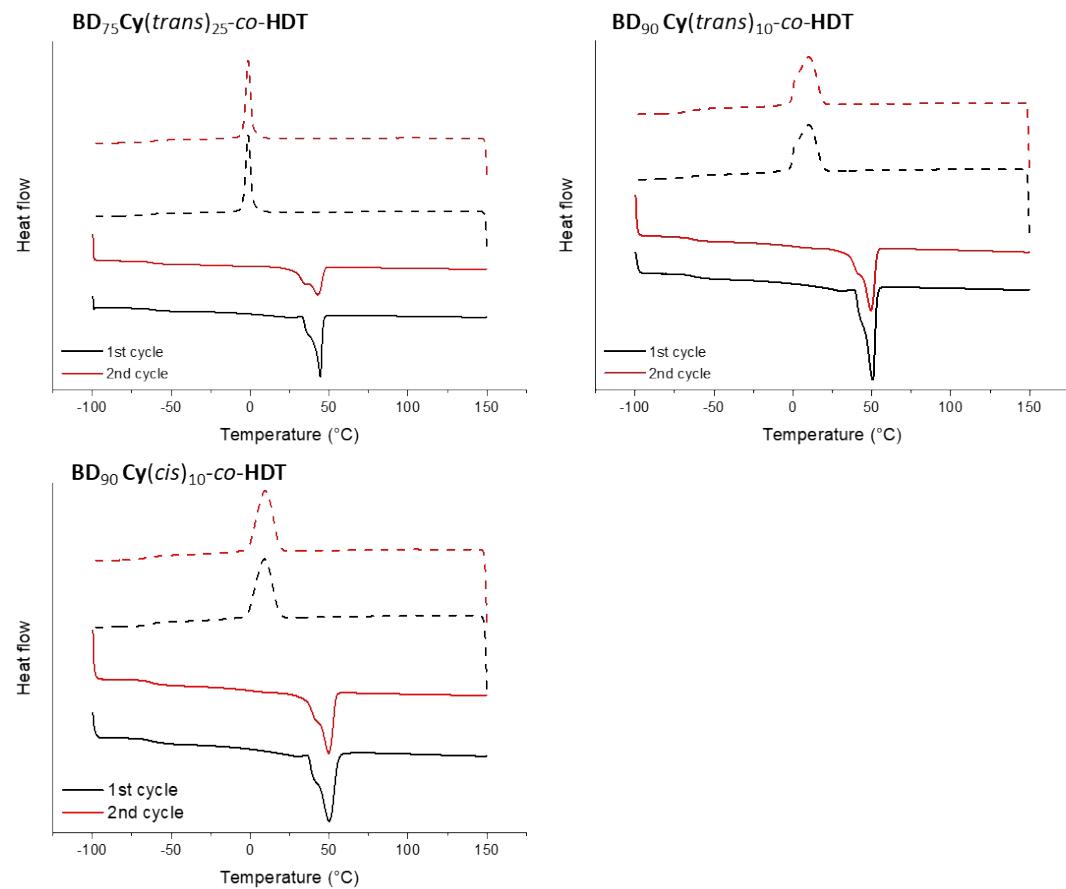
**Figure S28** SEC chromatograms of Copolymers calculated against polystyrene standards in THF + 2% v/v NEt<sub>3</sub>.

## DSC thermograms of Homopolymers



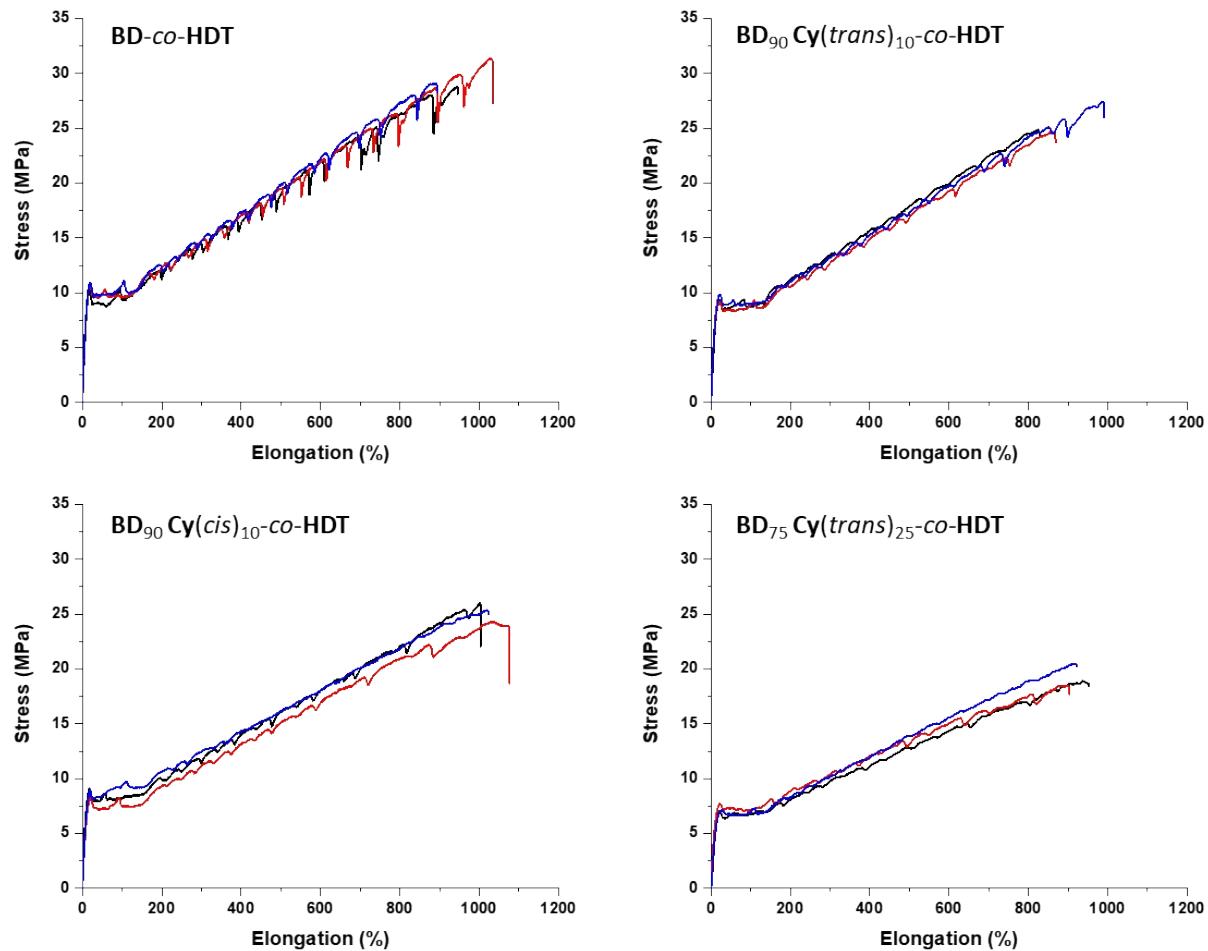
**Figure S29** DSC thermograms of Homopolymers  $10 \text{ K} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$  heating and cooling rate.

## DSC thermograms of Copolymers



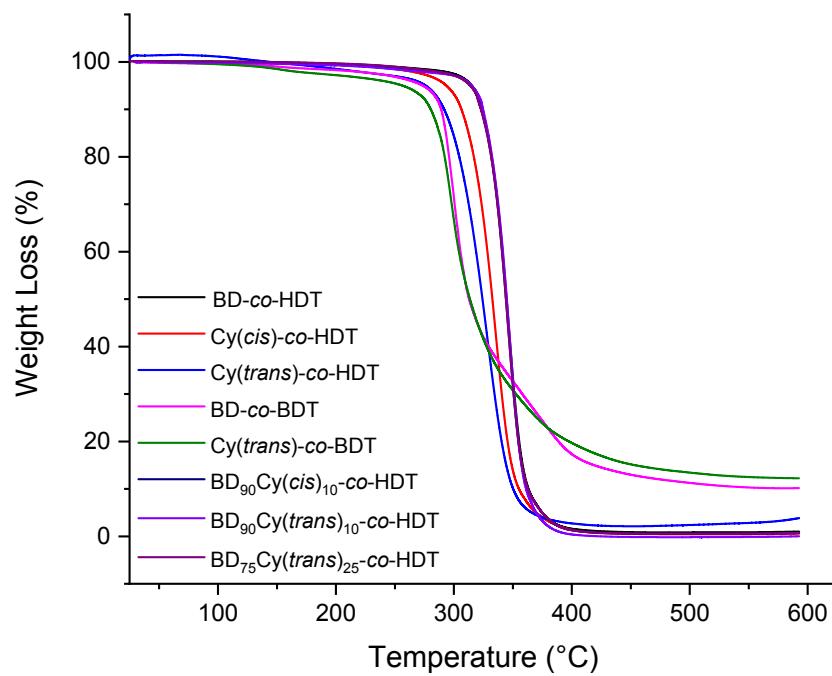
**Figure S30** DSC thermograms of Copolymers 10 K·min<sup>-1</sup> heating and cooling rate

## Tensile stress vs strain Curves



**Figure S31** Stress vs strain tensile curves of 2 day annealed polyester films

## Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA)



**Figure S32** Thermogravimetric analysis of polymers at a  $10 \text{ K} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$

<b>Sample</b>	$M_w$ (kDa)	$\mathcal{D}$	$T_g$ (°C)	$T_m$ (°C)	$T_c$ (°C)	$\Delta H_m$ (J g <sup>-1</sup> )	$E$ (MPa)‡	UTS (MPa)‡	$\varepsilon_b$ (%)‡	$U_T$ (MJm <sup>-3</sup> )‡
<b>BD-<i>co</i>-HDT</b>	52.7	3.13	-66	52	17	-64.0	105±13	30±2	952±72	180±20
<b>Cy(<i>cis</i>)-<i>co</i>-HDT</b>	37.4	4.08	-47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cy(<i>trans</i>)-<i>co</i>-HDT</b>	38.0	4.30	-52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>BD-<i>co</i>-BDT</b>	22.0	7.78	-27	80	-	-58.7	-	-	-	-
<b>Cy(<i>trans</i>)-<i>co</i>-BDT</b>	23.5	6.58	-17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cy(<i>cis</i>)<sub>10</sub>BD<sub>90</sub>-<i>co</i>-HDT</b>	76.9	4.62	-63	50	9	-53.3	87±2	25±1	1028±31	167±1
<b>Cy(<i>trans</i>)<sub>10</sub>BD<sub>90</sub>-<i>co</i>-HDT</b>	63.5	4.28	-64	51	10	-55.0	81±4	26±2	890±84	147±22
<b>Cy(<i>trans</i>)<sub>25</sub>BD<sub>75</sub>-<i>co</i>-HDT</b>	91.8	4.54	-62	44	-2	-50.0	60±10	19±1	920±26	117±4

**Table S1** Summary of the reported thermomechanical properties for all polyesters. ‡ Uncertainty taken as standard deviation (n=3).