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Synthesis and self-assembly of temperature-responsive copolymers based on N-vinylpyrrolidone and triethylene glycol methacrylate

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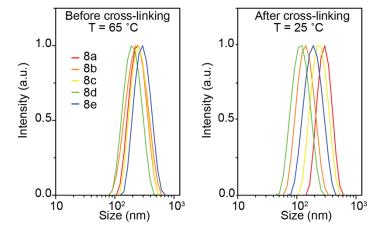


Fig. S1: Temperature-triggered self-assembly of PVP-co-pTEGMA block copolymers. Size distribution by intensity of self-assembled PVP-co-pTEGMA (2 mg/mL copolymer solution in 20 mM NaOAc pH 4) before and after cross-linking with potassium persulphate, at 65 °C and 25 °C, respectively, as determined by DLS, confirming the structural integrity of the cross-linked structures below the T_{cp} .

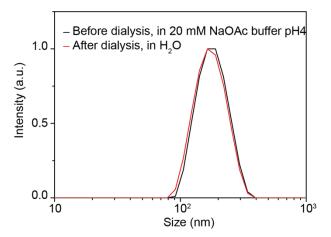


Fig. S2: Stability of cross-linked self-assembled PVP-co-pTEGMA structures in buffer and in water. Size distribution by intensity of self-assembled PVP-co-pTEGMA 8c (0.5 mg/mL copolymer solution) at 25 °C after cross-linking with potassium persulphate in 20 mM NaOAc pH 4 (black line), followed by dialysis of the cross-linked assemblies for 24 h in H₂O (red line), as determined by DLS, confirming the stability of the cross-linked structures upon removal of the salt.

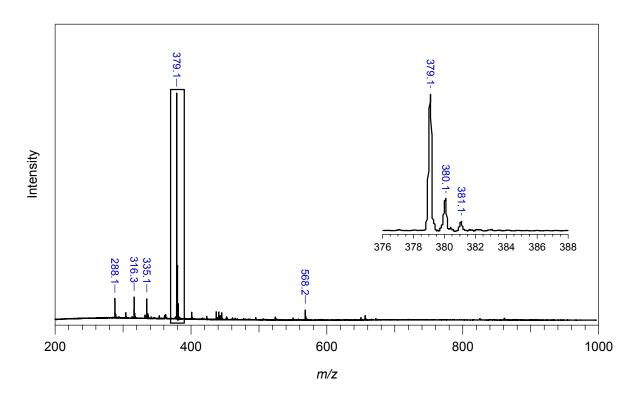


Fig. S3: MALDI-TOF of the chloroxanthate CTA 4, taken using a CHCA matrix. Inset of the major peak is shown.