

Supporting Information

New Biomaterials from Renewable Resources - Amphiphilic Block Copolymers from δ -Decalactone

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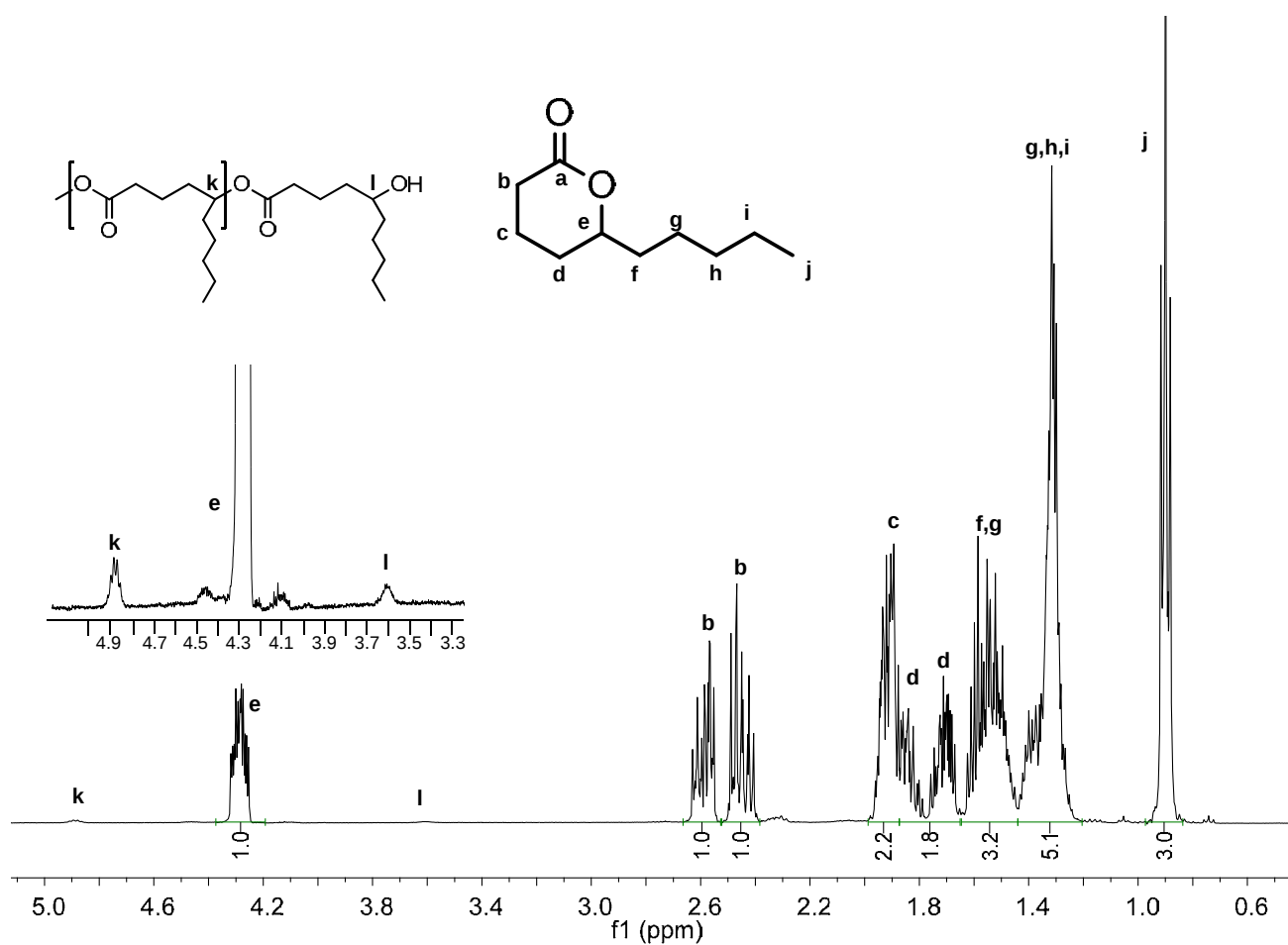


Figure S1 ^1H NMR of commercially available δ -decalactone acquired in CDCl_3 . Inset showing enlarged region of spectrum between 3.3 and 5.0 ppm.

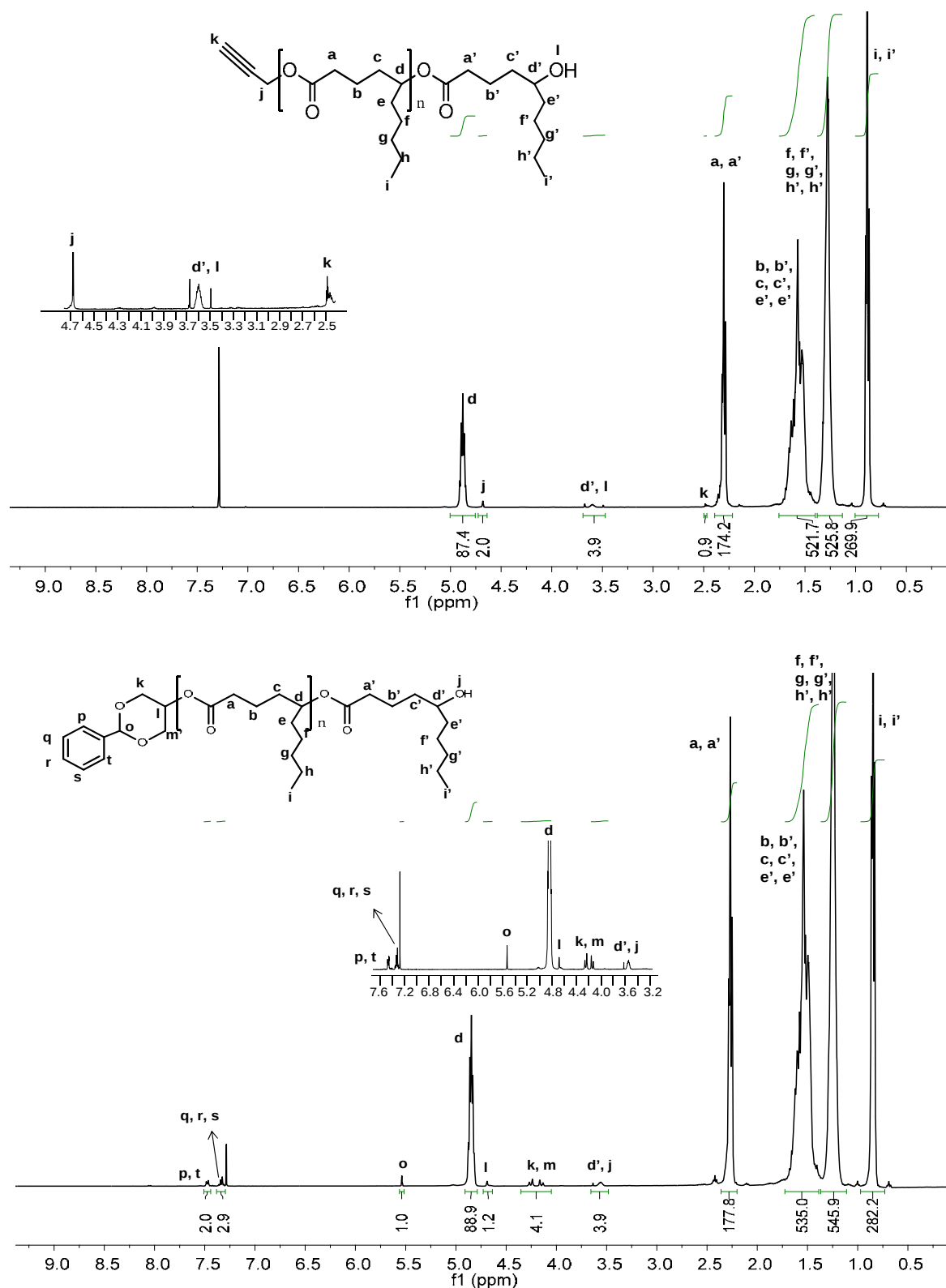


Figure S2 ^1H NMR spectra of propargyl-PDL and BZD-PDL in CDCl_3 . Inset showing enlarged area of ^1H NMR to aid visualisation of diagnostic proton peaks. Lettering adjacent to positions on the chemical structures refer to protons labelled on the NMR spectra

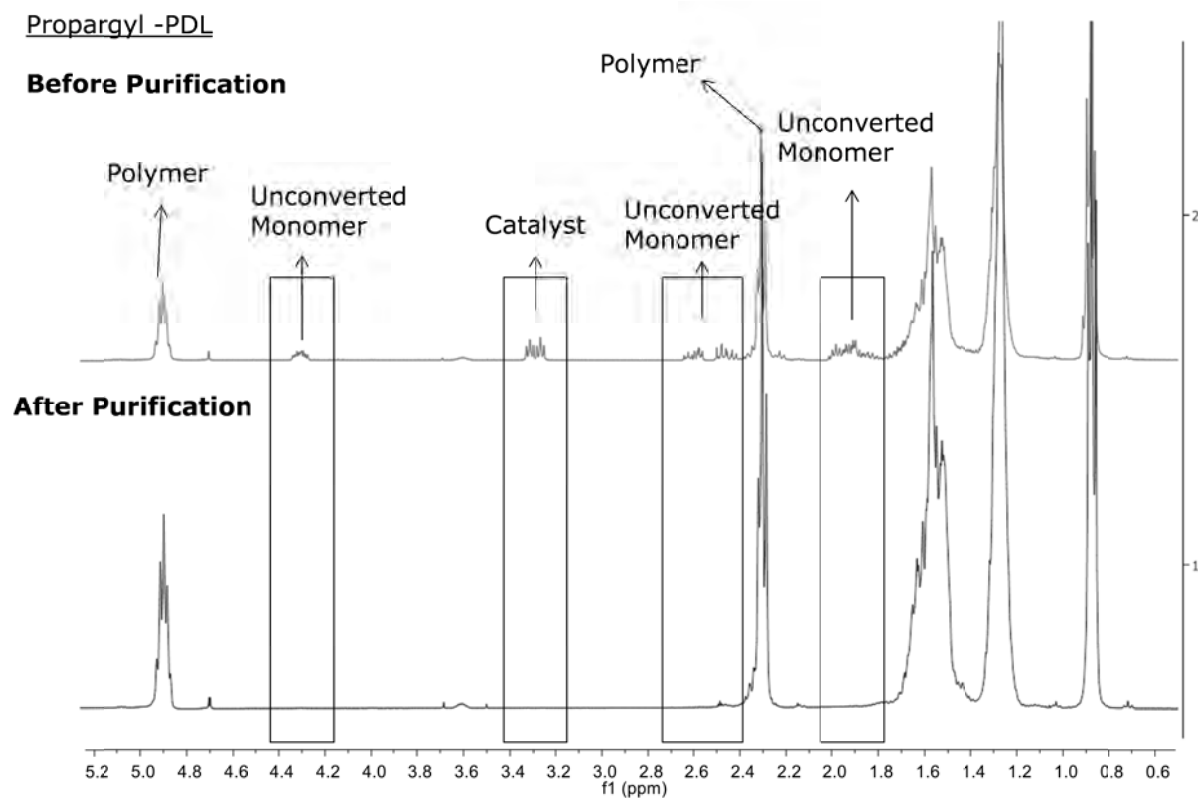


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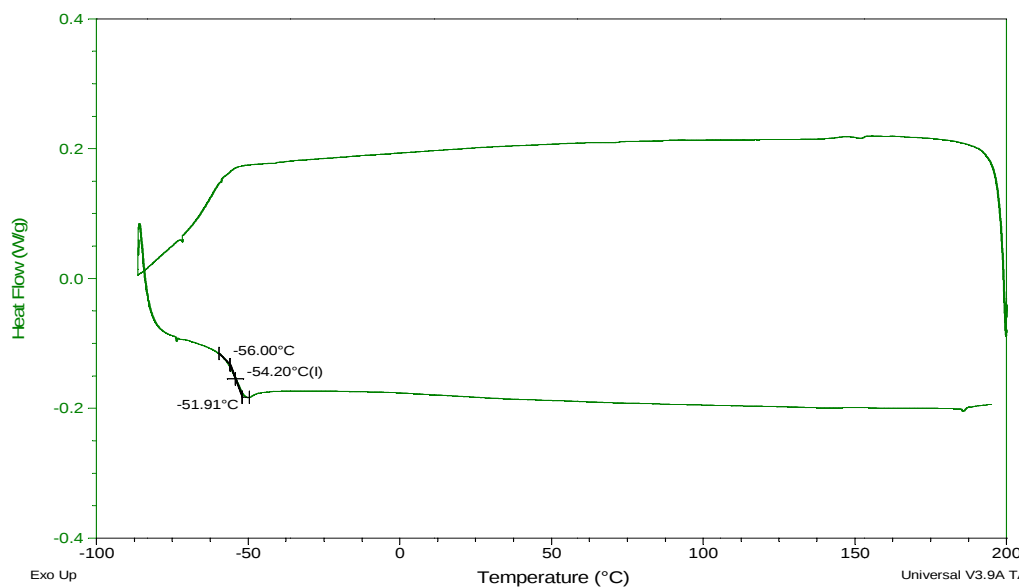


Figure S4. DSC plot of Propargyl PDL. The presented trace was acquired from the second heating/cooling cycle.

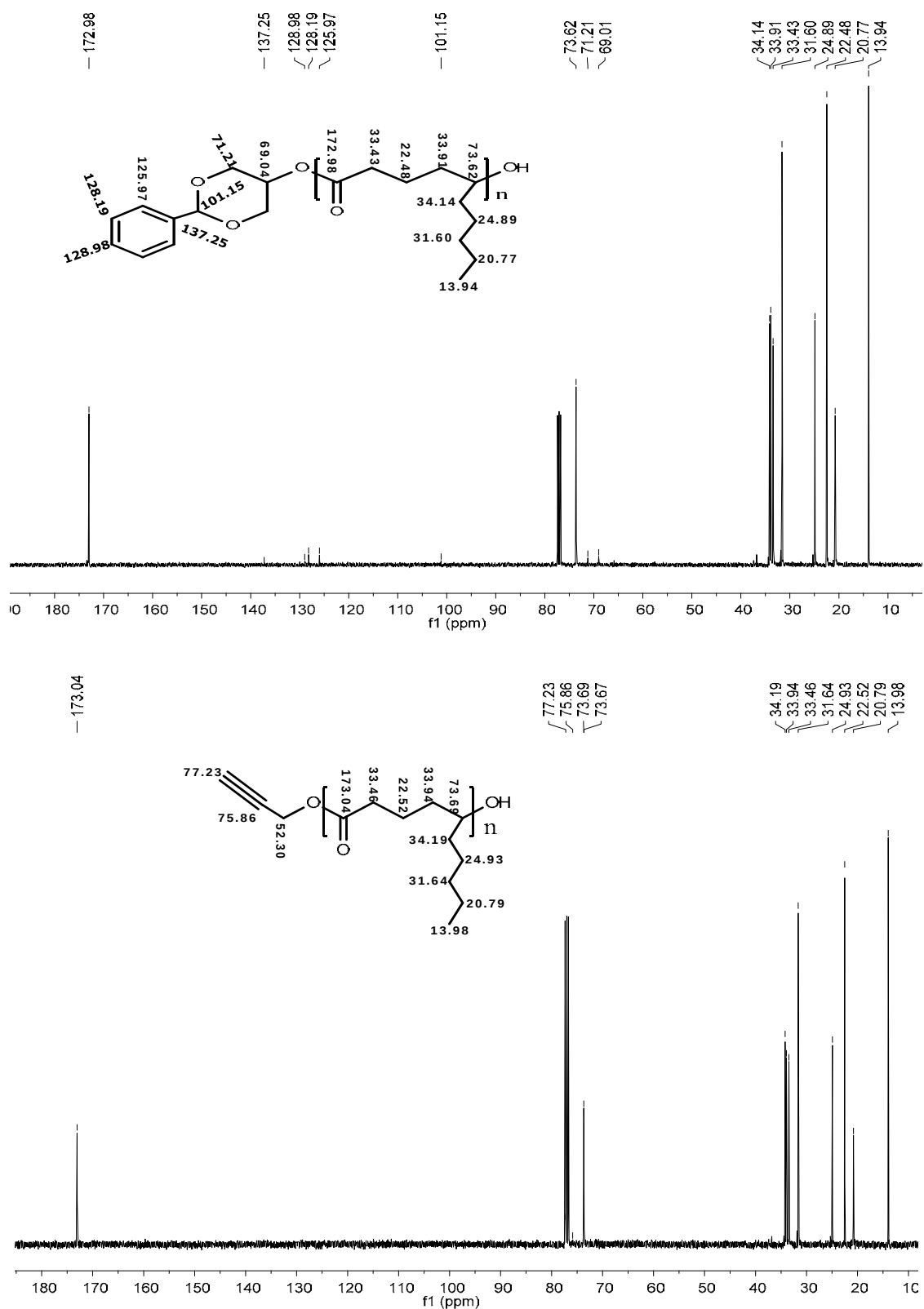


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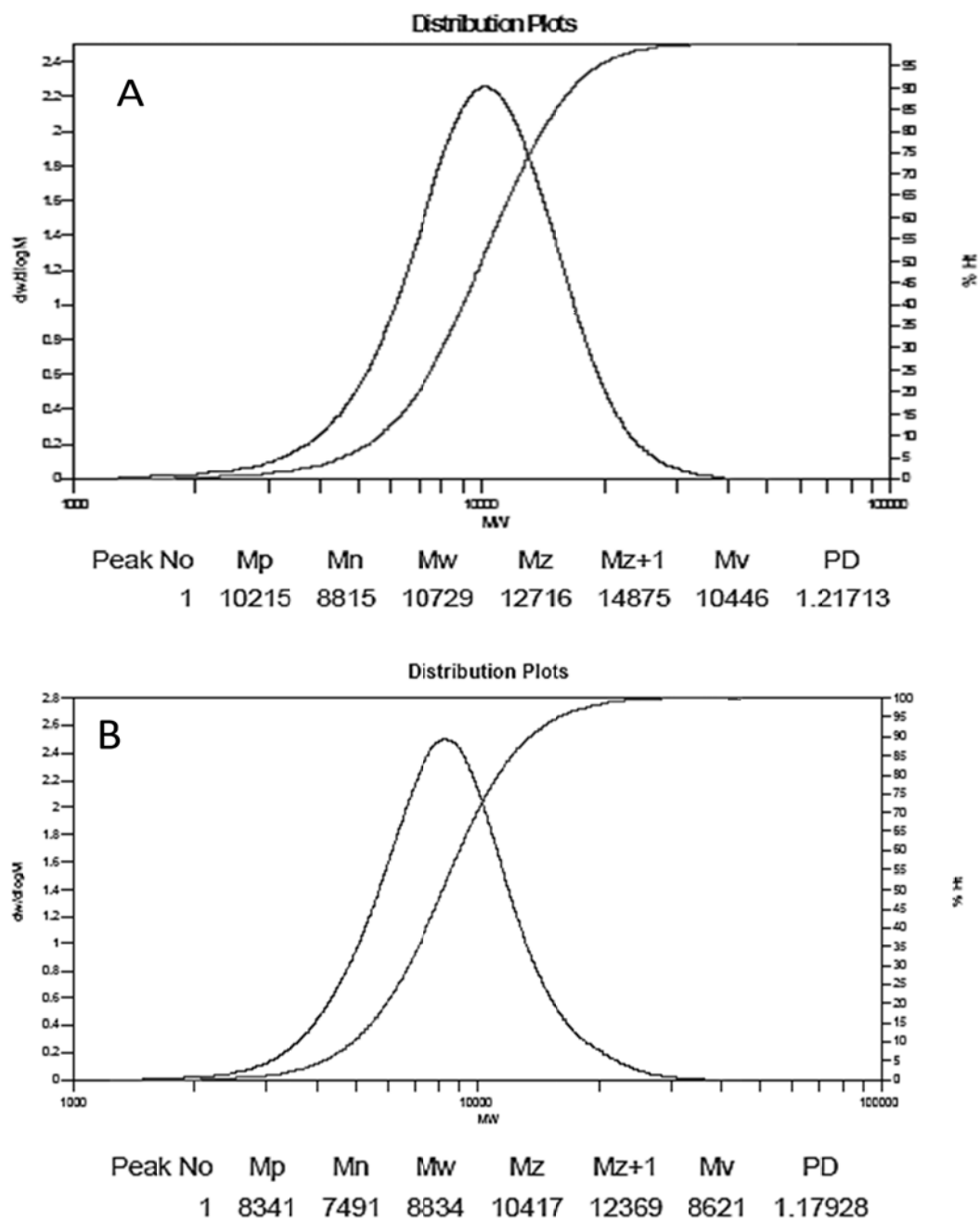


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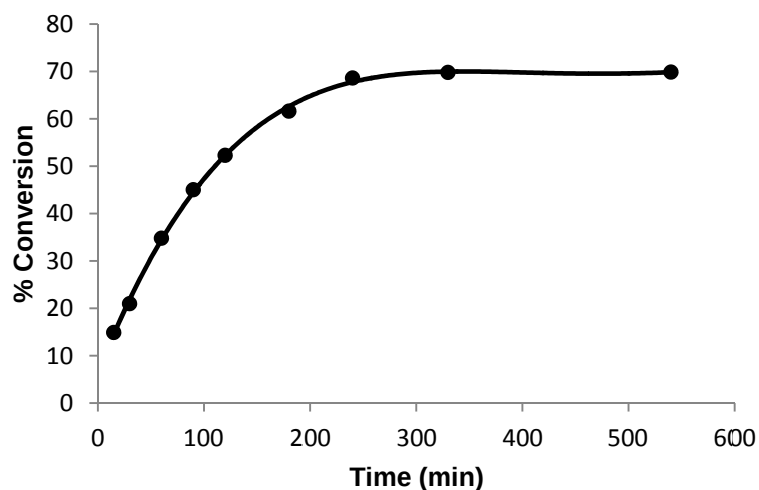


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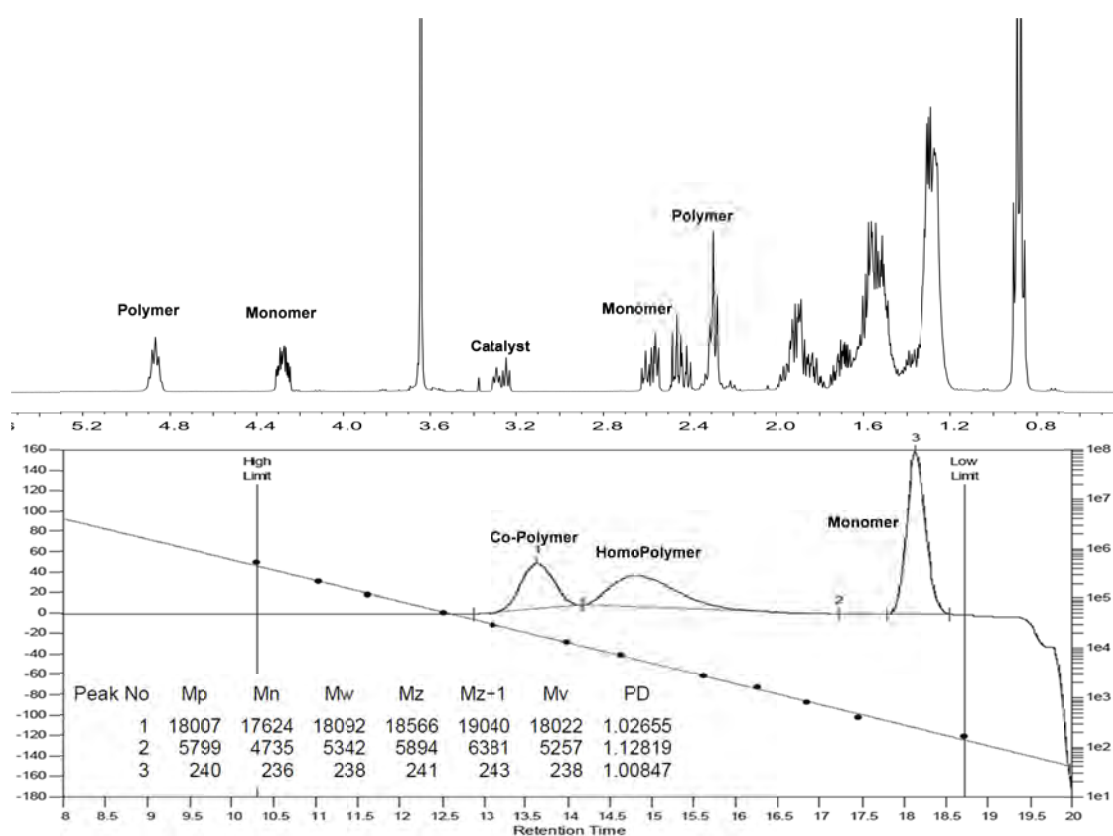


Figure S8. ^1H NMR spectrum and SEC trace of mPEG-b-PDL (during kinetic study) after 9 h containing 5% of TBD as the catalyst. SEC traces were obtained using chloroform as the mobile phase and polystyrene as molar mass standard. For ^1H NMR analysis the sample was dissolved in CDCl_3 .

Table S1. Data obtained from the kinetics analysis of mPEG-b-PDL synthesis. As shown in figure S8, peaks 1 and 2 correspond to copolymer and homopolymer respectively. (PD-Polydispersity Index)

Time	Conversion by NMR (%)	$M_{n,SEC}$ Peak 1 (kDa)	PD Peak1	$M_{n,SEC}$ Peak 2 (kDa)	PD Peak 2
15 min	15	12.6	1.02	1.2	1.36
30 min	21	13.7	1.02	1.7	1.37
1 h	35	15.2	1.02	2.8	1.23
1.5 h	45	15.8	1.02	3.3	1.21
2 h	52	16.4	1.02	3.9	1.16
3 h	62	17.2	1.02	4.5	1.14
4 h	69	17.3	1.02	4.6	1.13
5.5 h	70	17.6	1.02	4.7	1.13
9 h	70	17.6	1.02	4.7	1.12

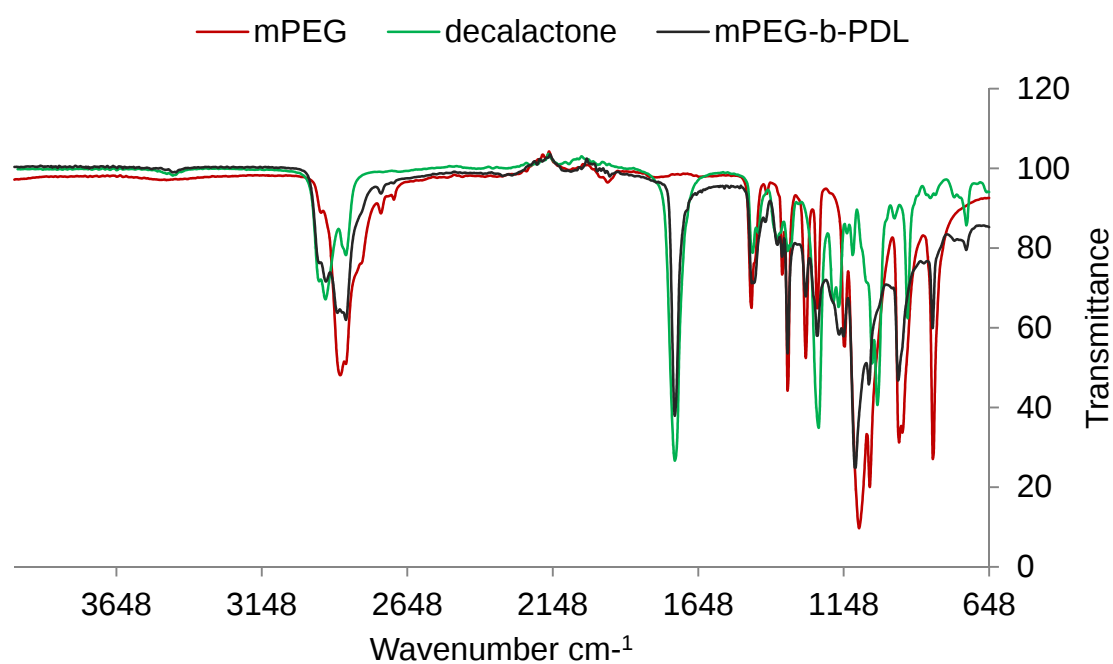
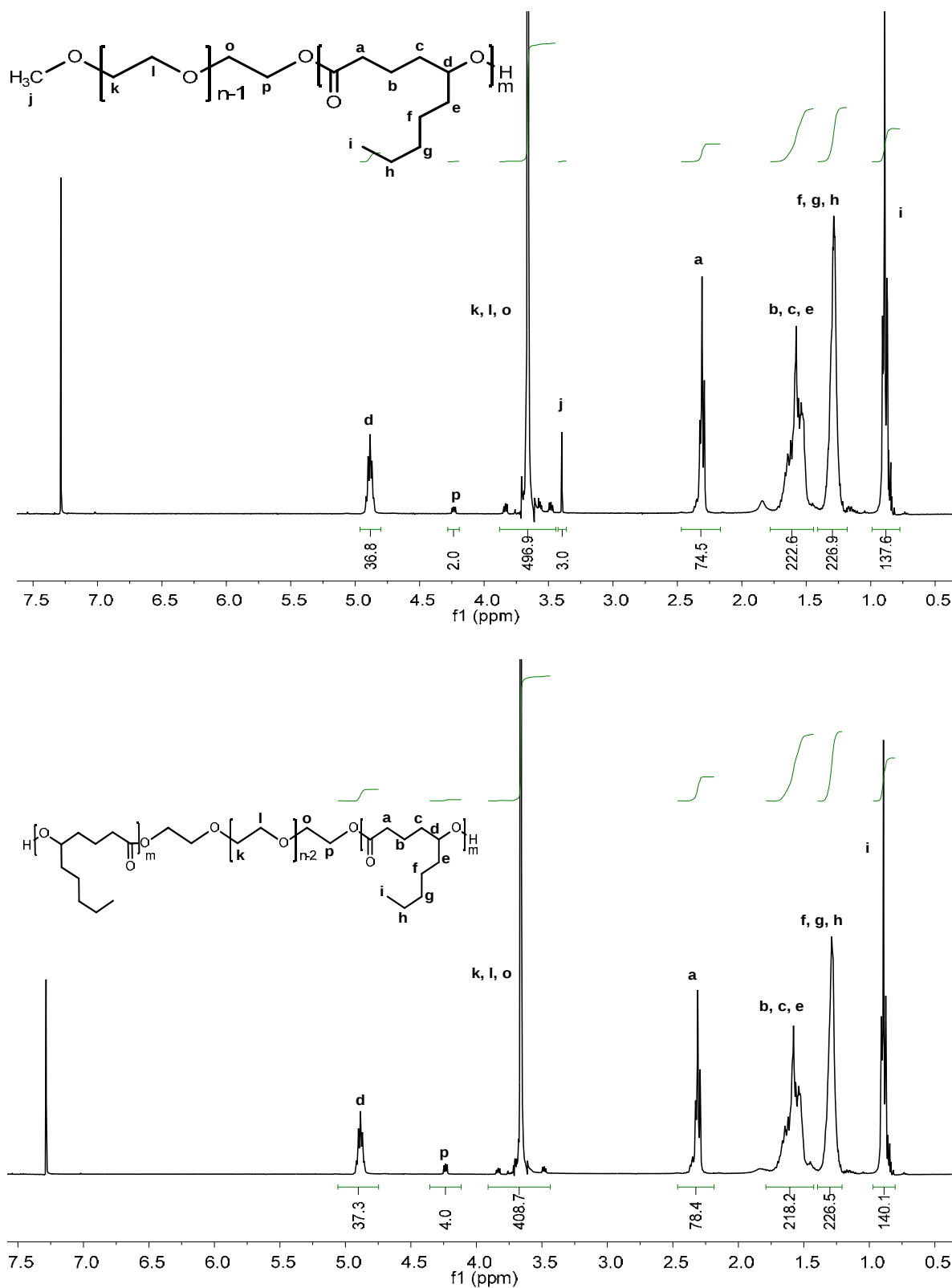
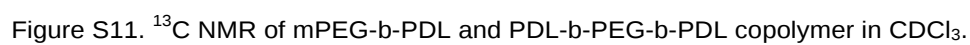


Figure S9 Overlaid FTIR spectra of mPEG, δ -decalactone monomer and mPEG-b-PDL copolymer.

Figure S10. ^1H NMR of mPEG-b-PDL and PDL-b-PEG-b-PDL copolymer in CDCl_3



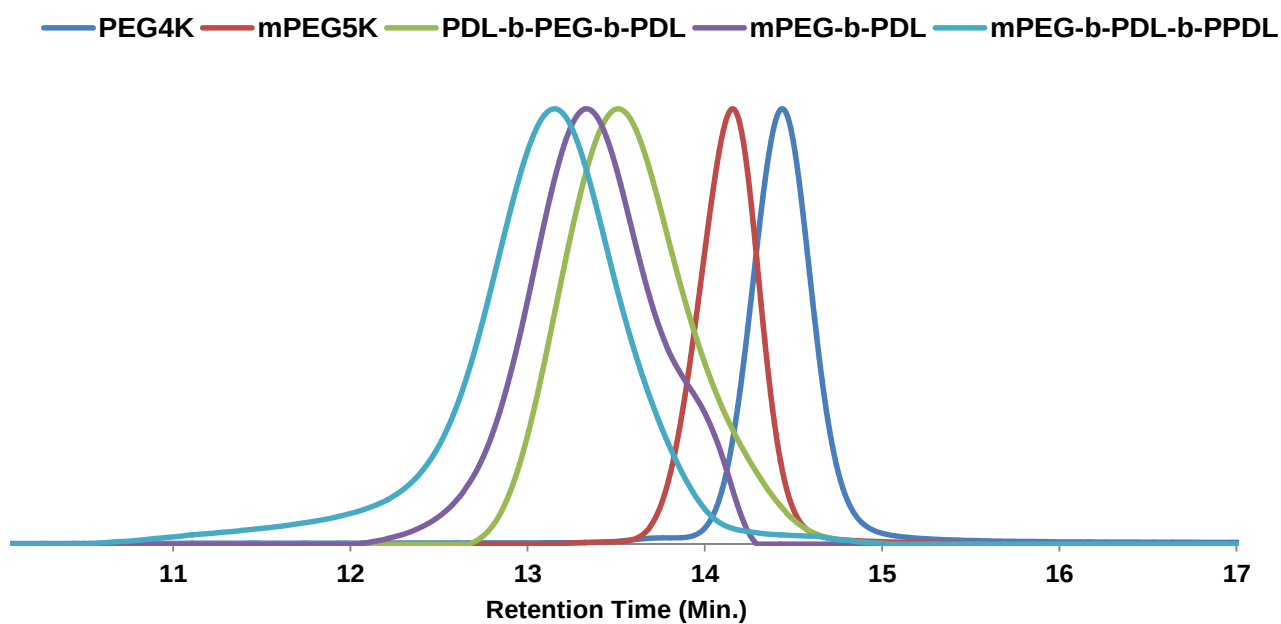


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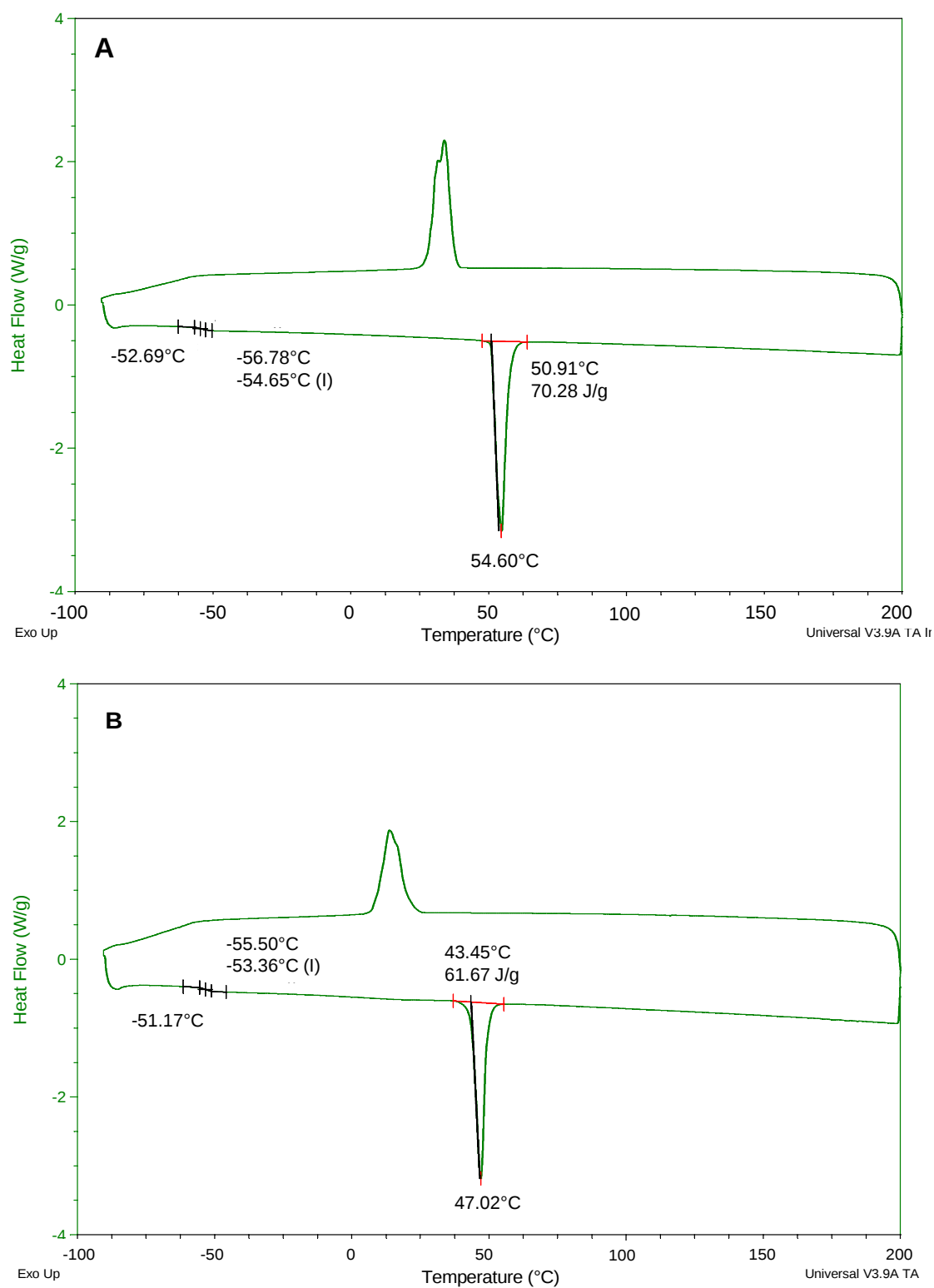


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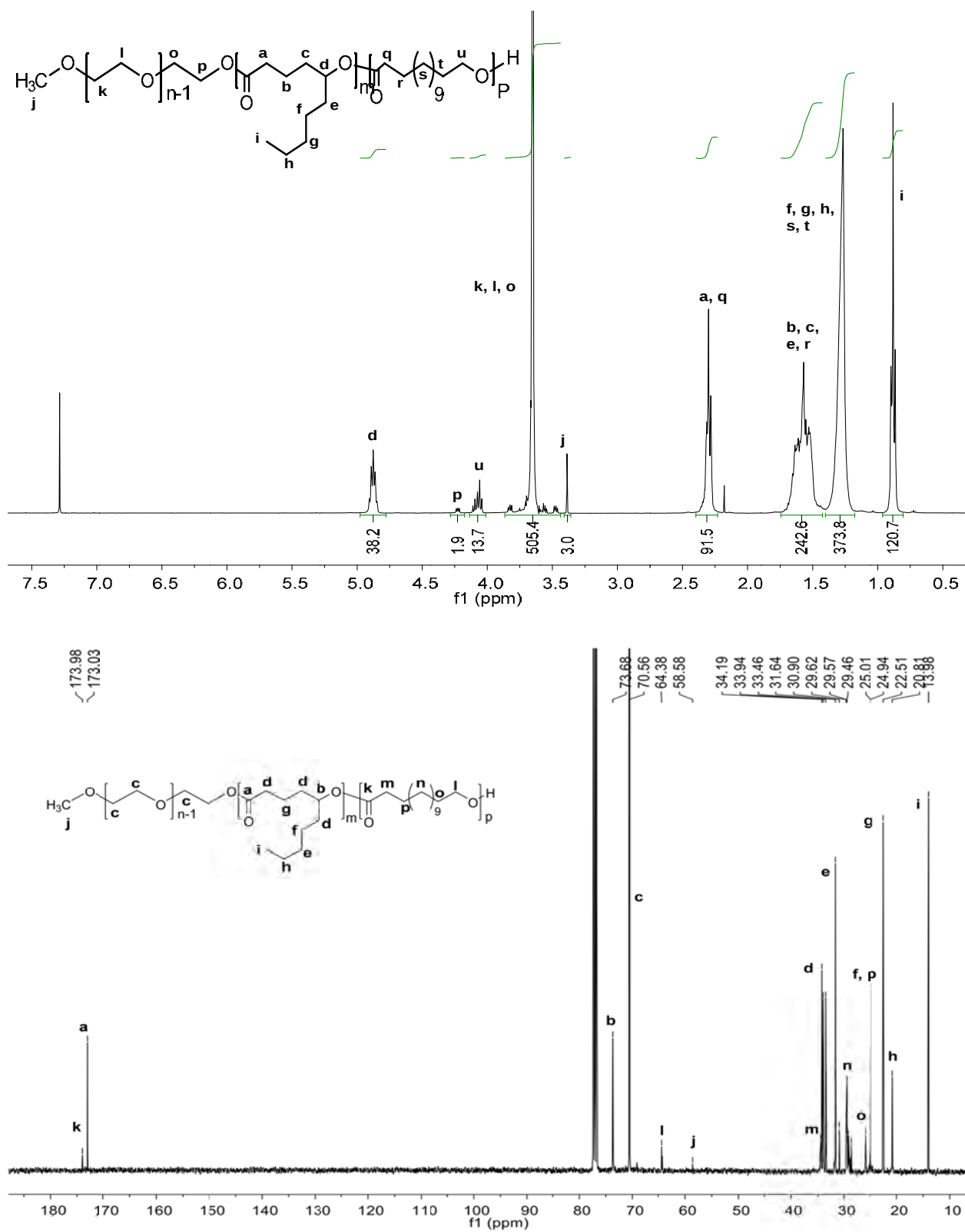


Figure S14. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of mPEG-b-PDL-b-PPDL in CDCl₃.

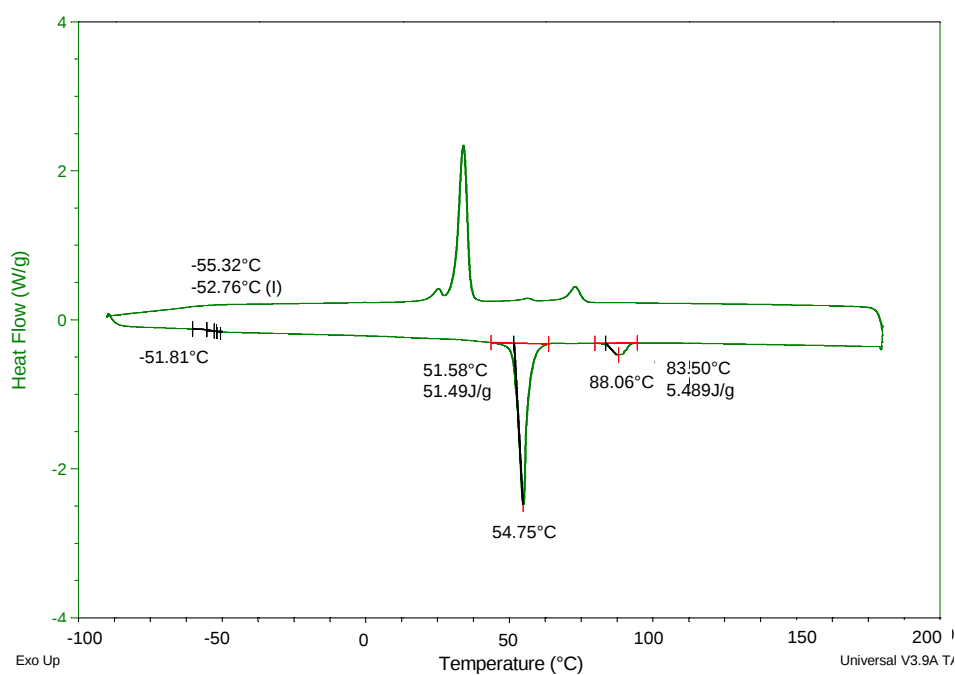


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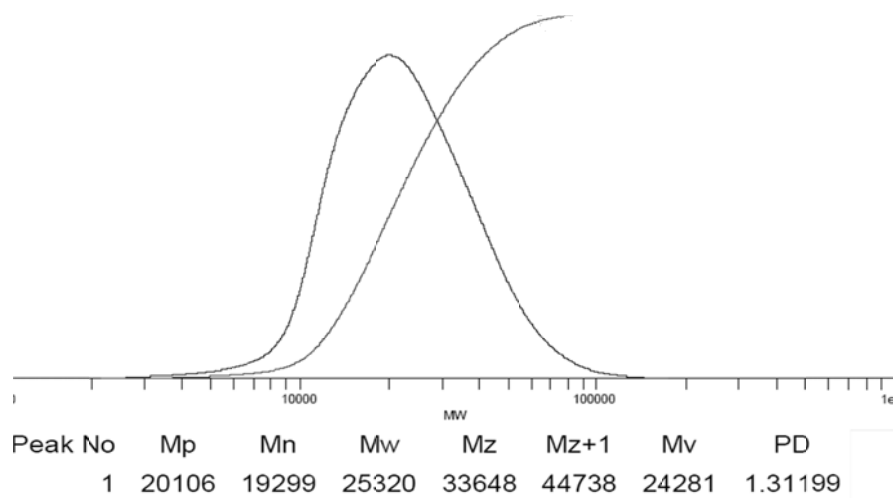
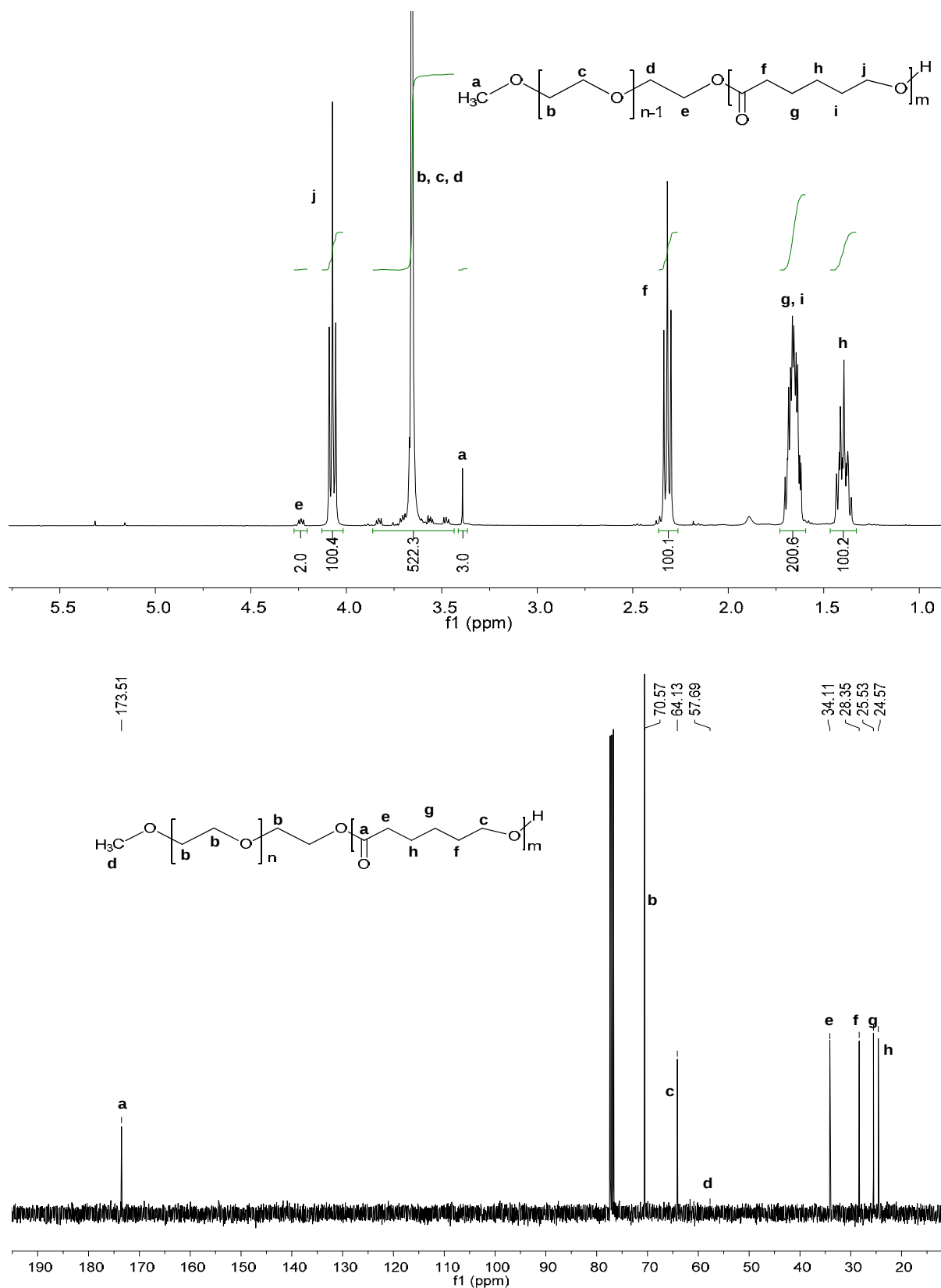


Figure S16. SEC trace of mPEG-b-PCL obtained using chloroform as the mobile phase. Polystyrene standards were used to calibrate the SEC.

Figure S17. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR of mPEG-b-PCL in CDCl₃.

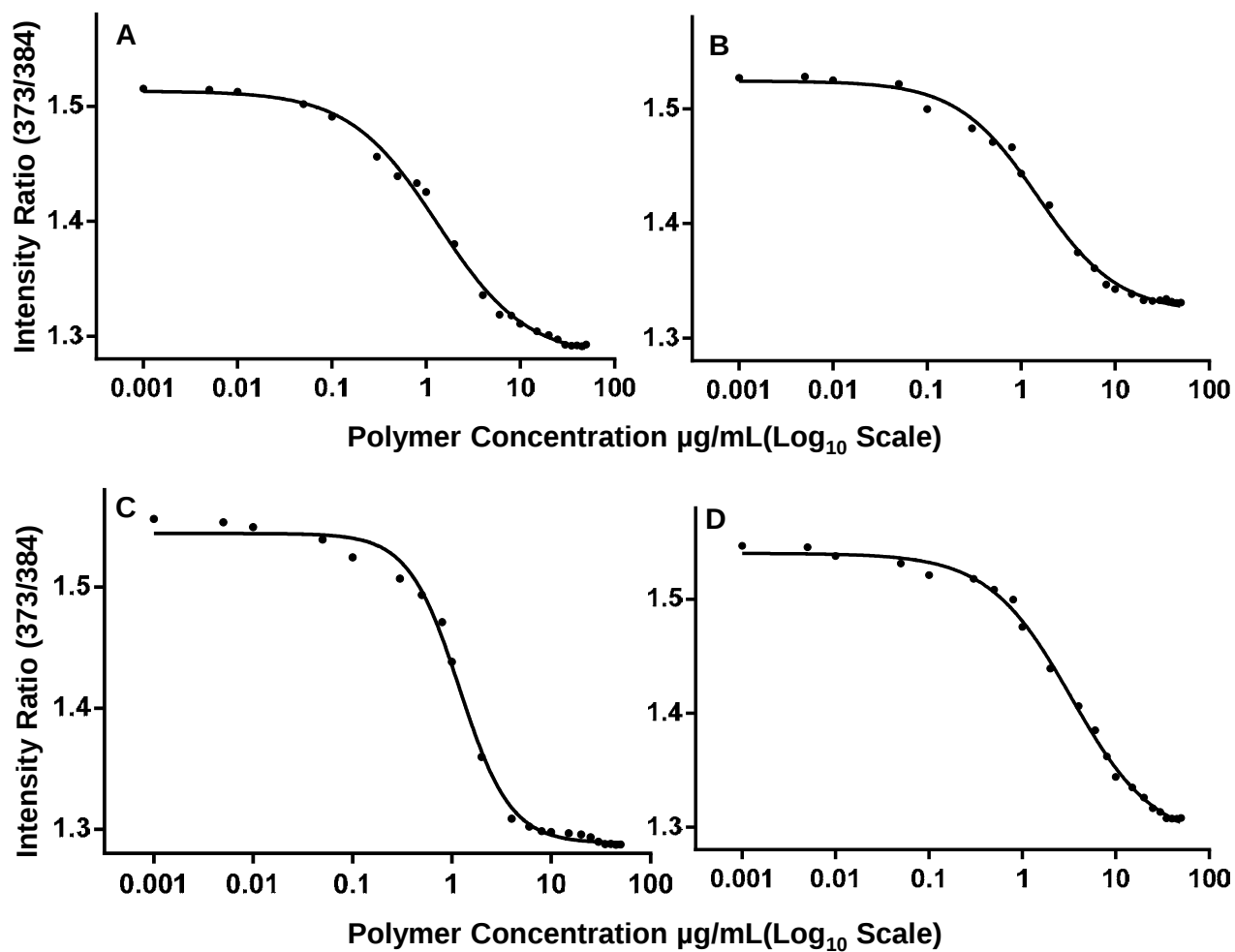


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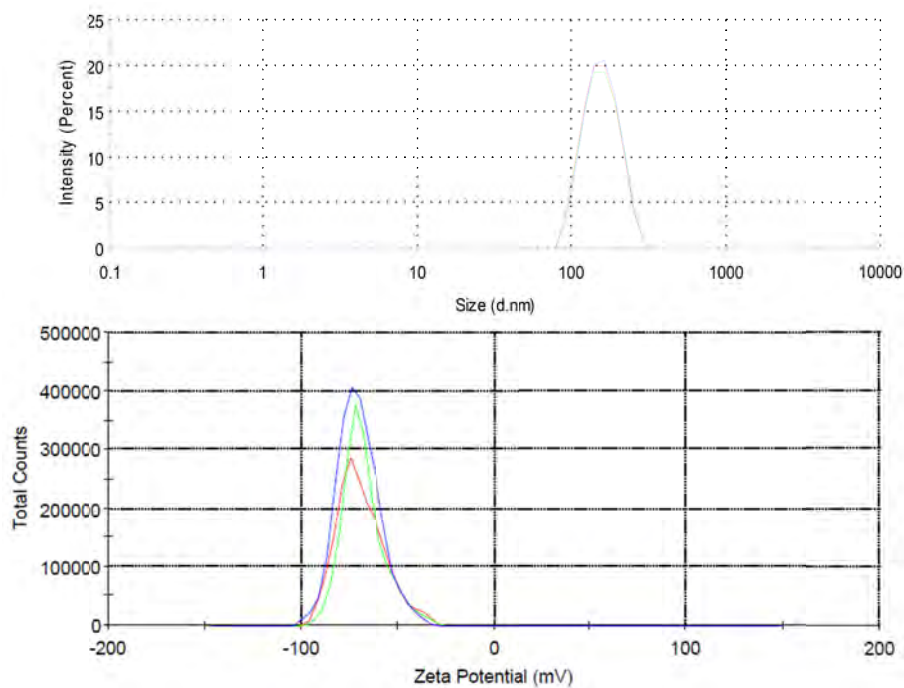


Figure S19. Size and Zeta potentials of propargyl-PDL nano emulsion. Size was determined in HPLC grade water whereas zeta potential was measured in 10 mM HEPES buffer.

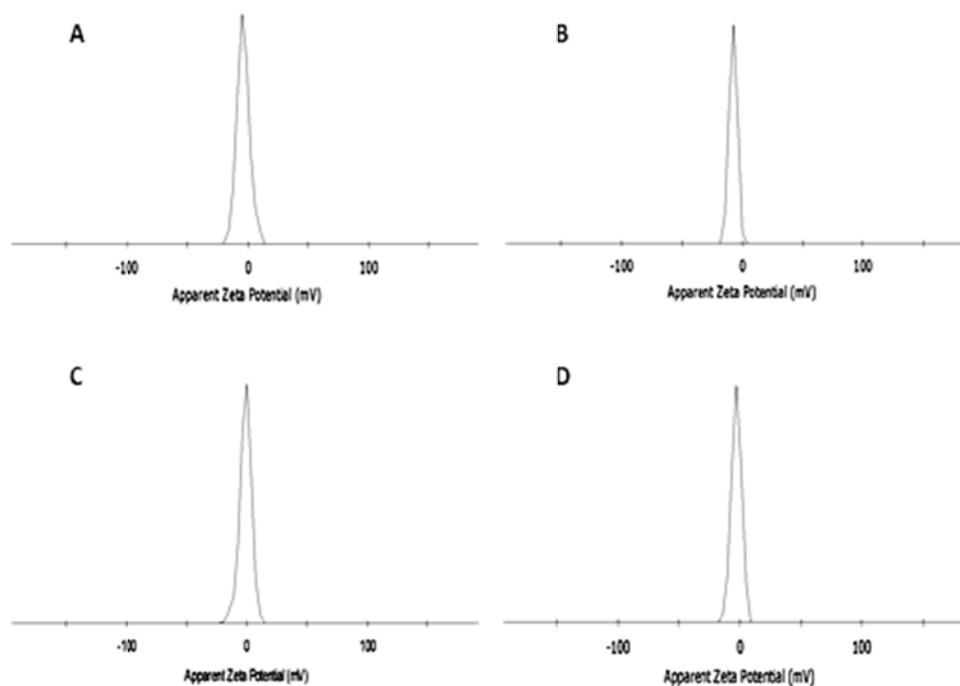


Figure S20. Zeta potential measurements of (A) mPEG-b-PDL, (B) PDL-b-PEG-b-PDL, (C) mPEG-b-PCL and (D) mPEG-b-PDL-b-PPDL micelles acquired in HEPES 10 mM buffer (pH 7.4).

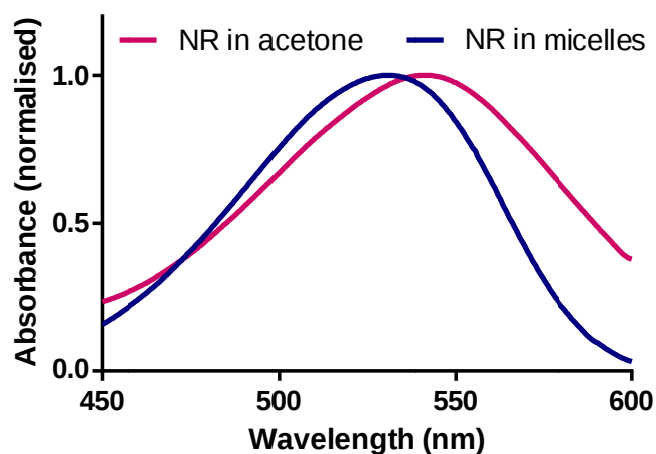


Figure S21. UV-Visible absorbance spectra of Nile red (NR) in acetone and micelles. Micelle samples contained encapsulated NR in mPEG-b-PDL micelles dispersed in water.

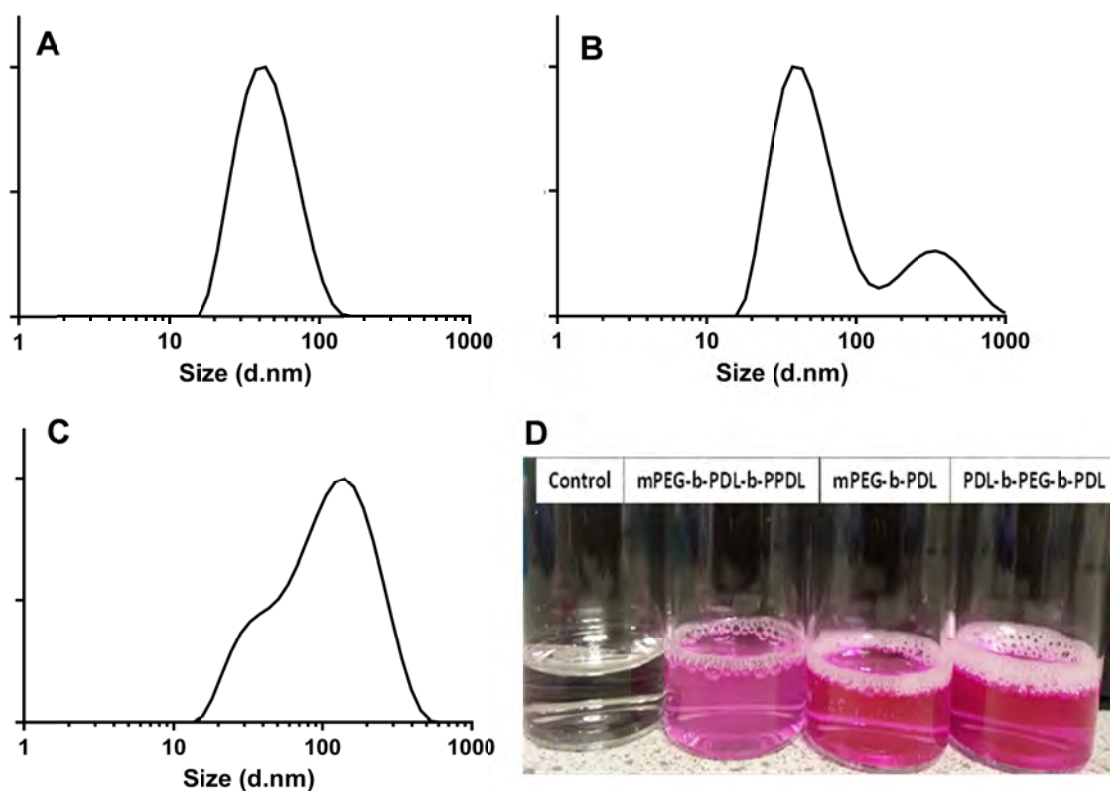


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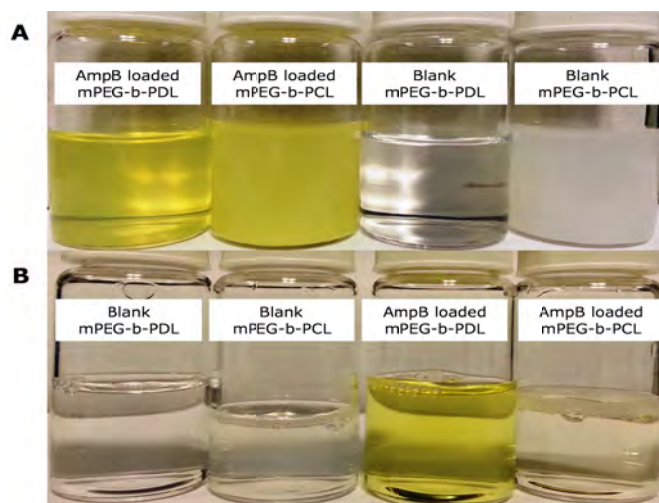


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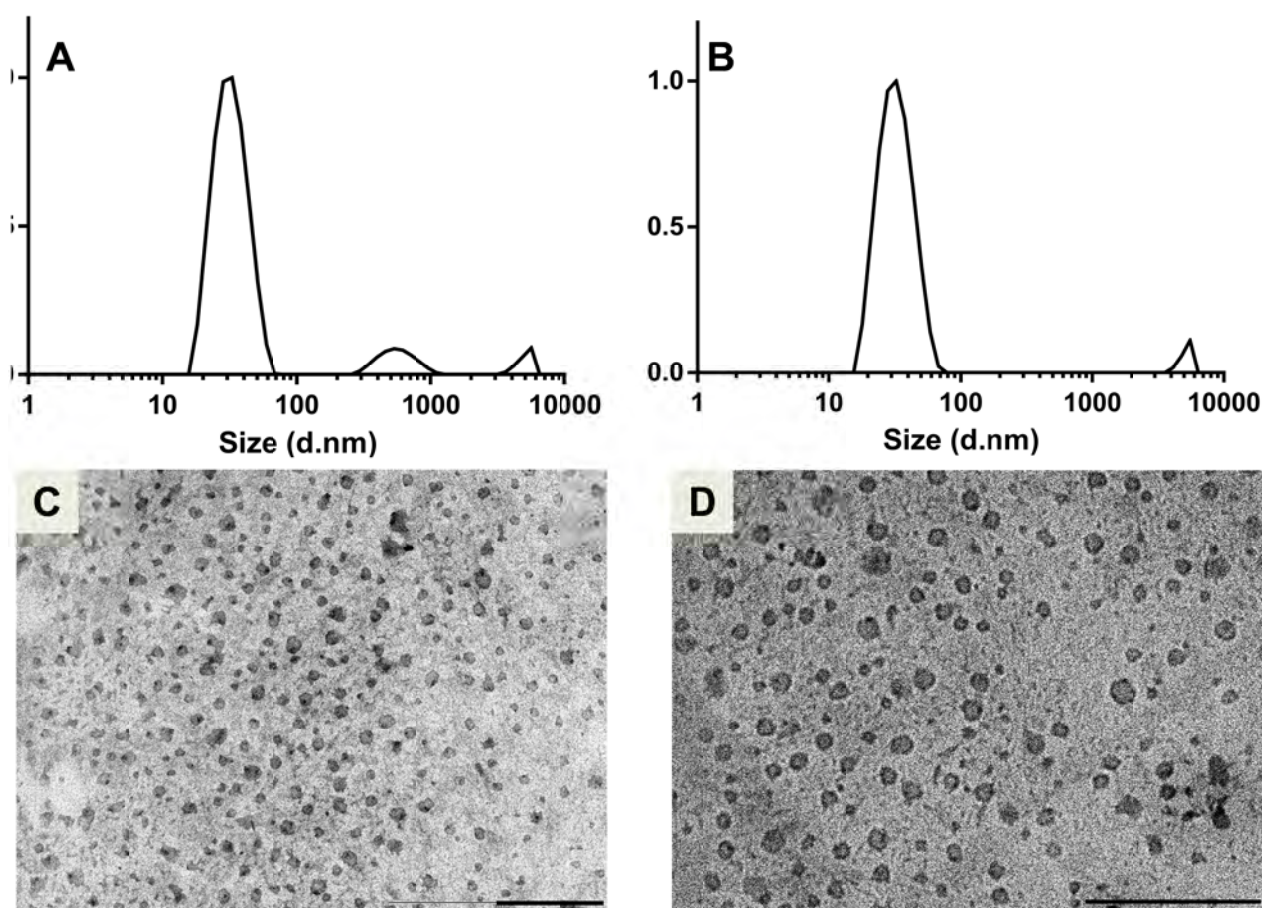


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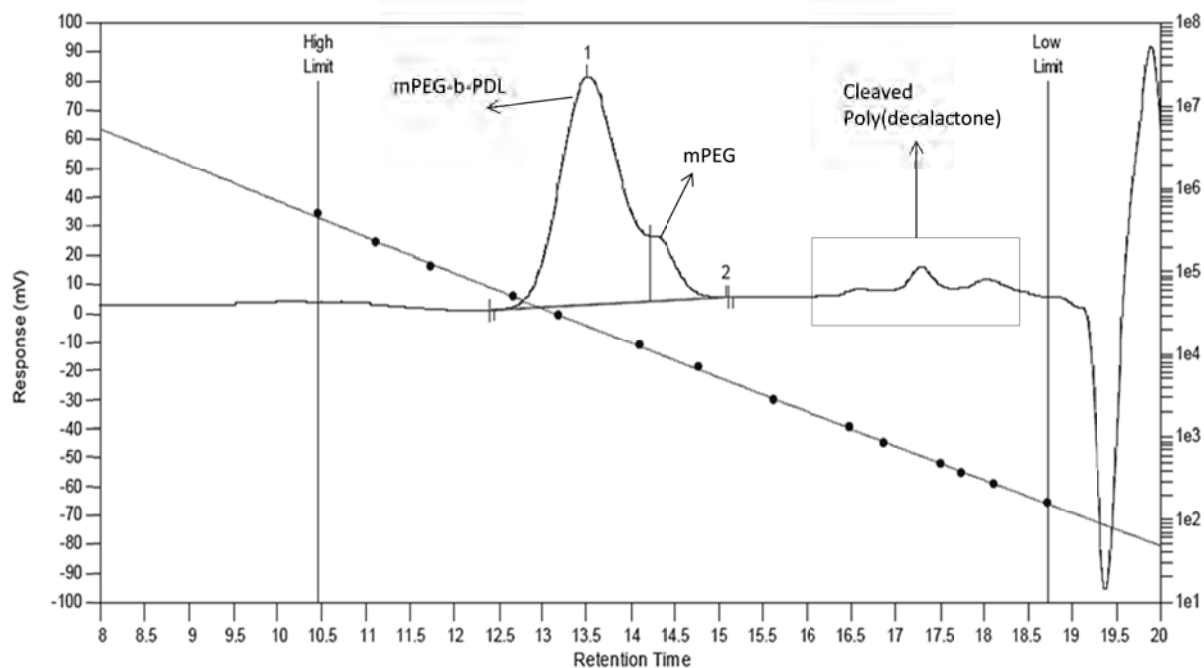


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