

## Supporting Information

### Reconstitution of bacteriorhodopsin with cationic poly(dimethylaminoethyl acrylate)-block-poly (methylacrylate) for bio-hybrid materials

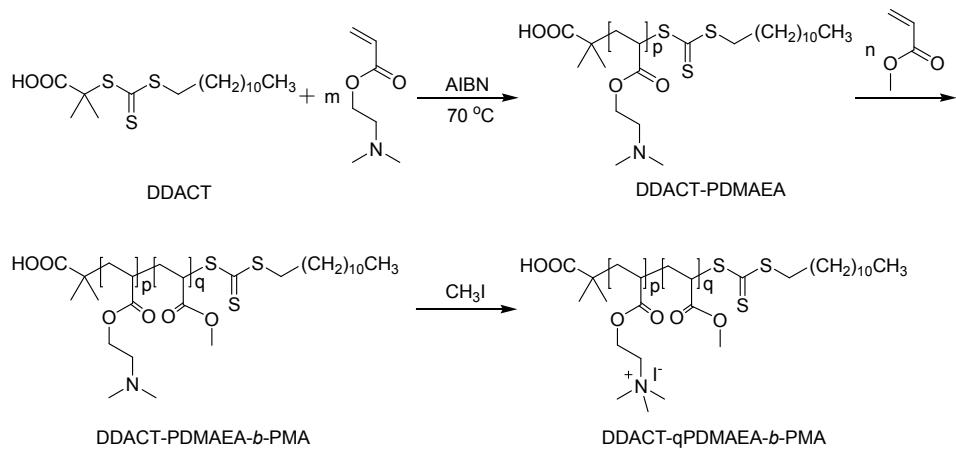
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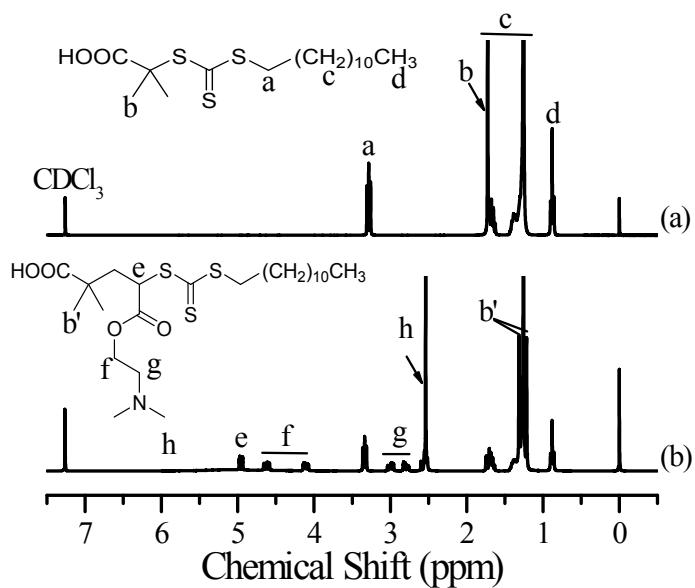
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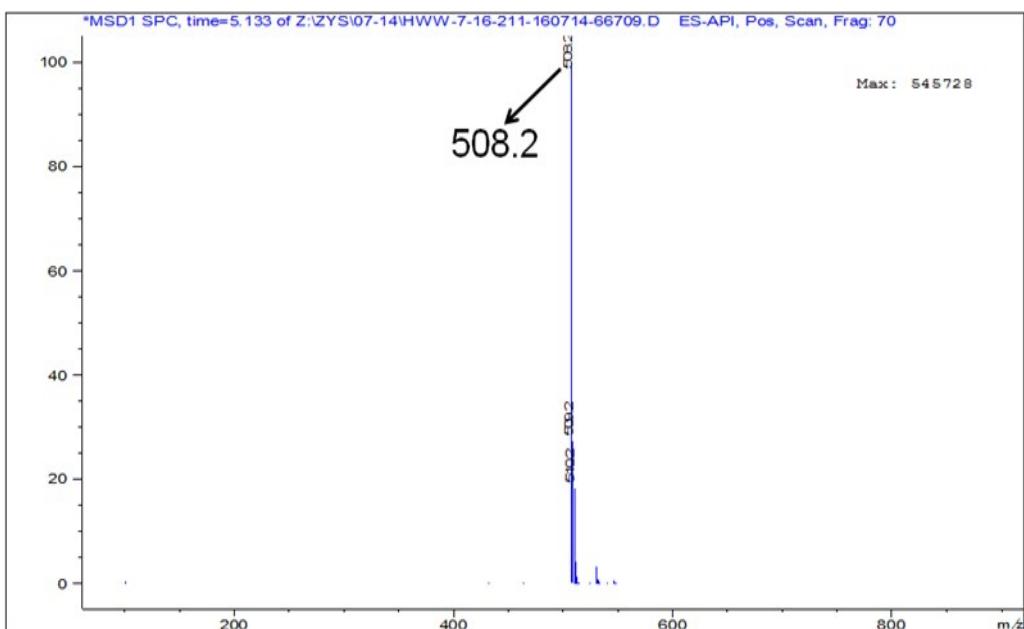
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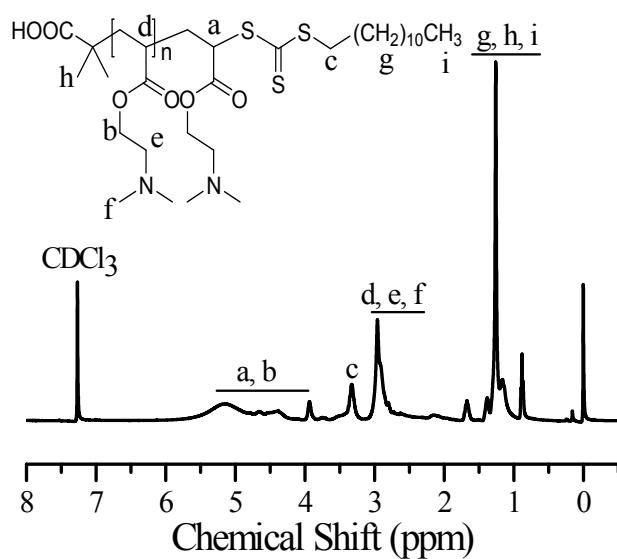
**Scheme S1.** Synthetic route of cationic amphiphilic copolymer by RAFT procedure.



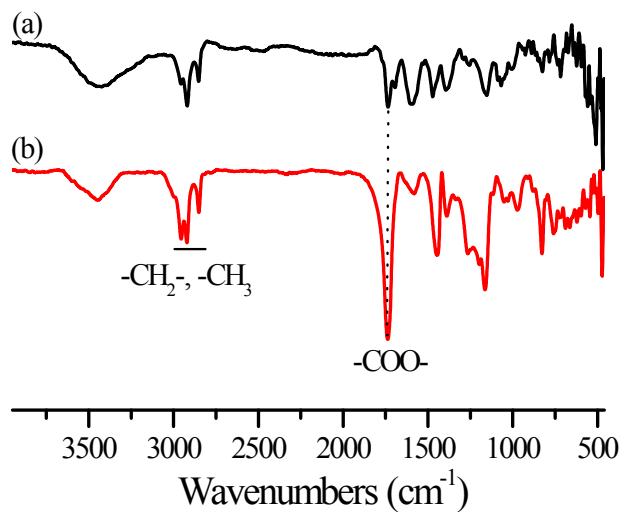
**Fig. S1**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of (a) DDACT and (b) DDACT-PDMAEA<sub>1</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



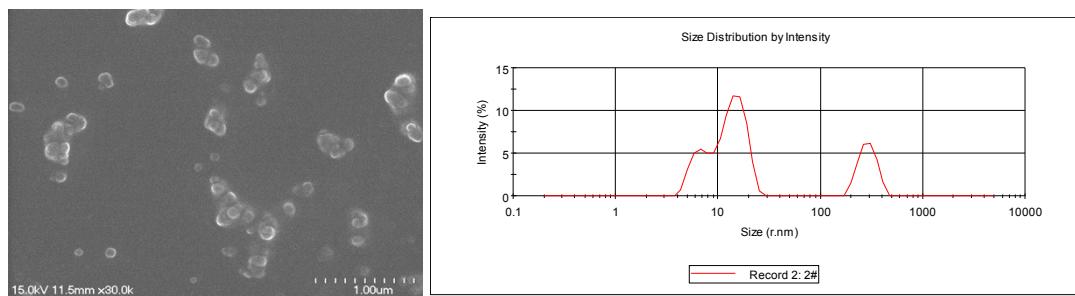
**Fig. S2** MS spectrum of DDACT-PDMAEA<sub>1</sub>.



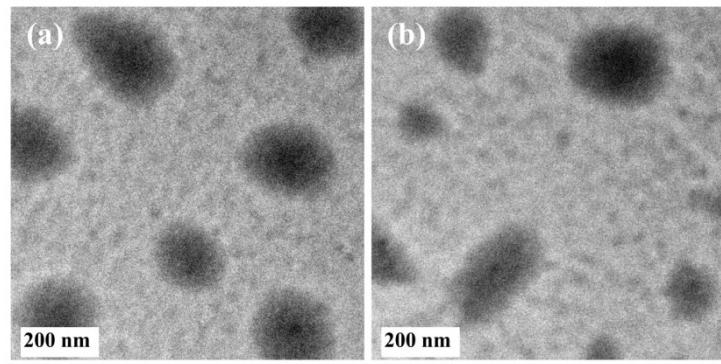
**Fig. S3** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of DDACT-PDMAEA<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



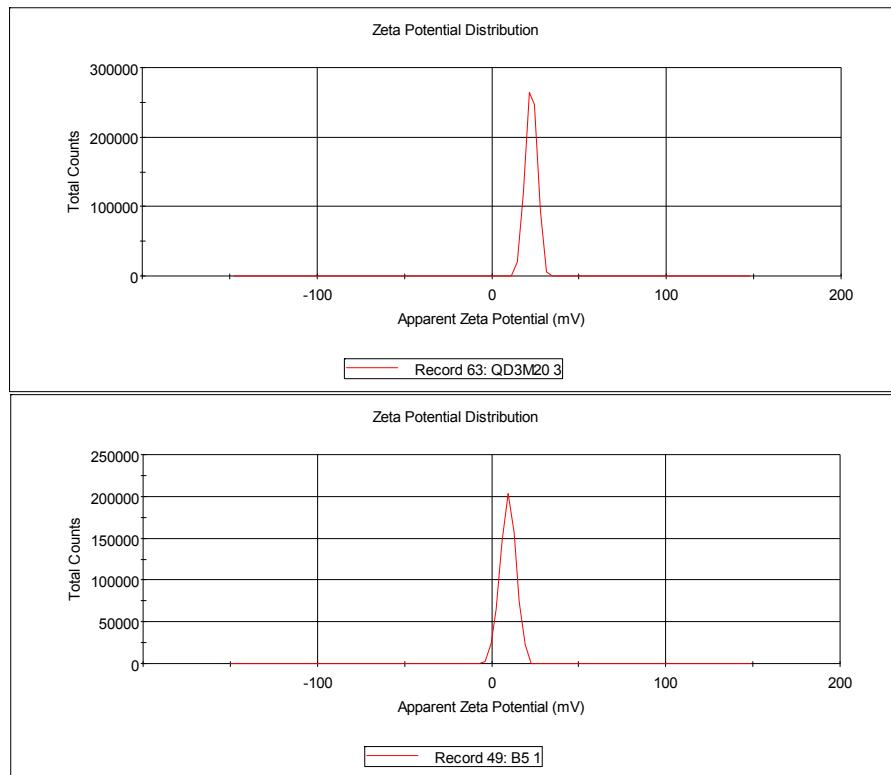
**Fig. S4** FT-IR spectra of (a) DDACT-PDMAEA<sub>3</sub> and (b) DDACT- PDMAEA<sub>3</sub>-*b*-PMA<sub>27</sub>.



**Fig. S5** SEM image (left) and size distribution (right) of self-assembly of DDACT-qPDMAEA<sub>1</sub>-*b*-PMA<sub>7</sub>.



**Fig. S6** TEM images of assembly of DDACT-qPDMAEA<sub>3</sub>-*b*-PMA<sub>27</sub> (a) without and (b) with BR. Scale bar = 200 nm.



**Fig. S7** Zeta potentials of particles from DDACT-qPDMAEA<sub>3</sub>-*b*-PMA<sub>18</sub> before (top, 22.7 mV) and after (bottom, 9.46 mV) combination with BR.