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Positional isomeric effects of coupling agents on the temperature-induced gelation of triblock copolymer aqueous solutions

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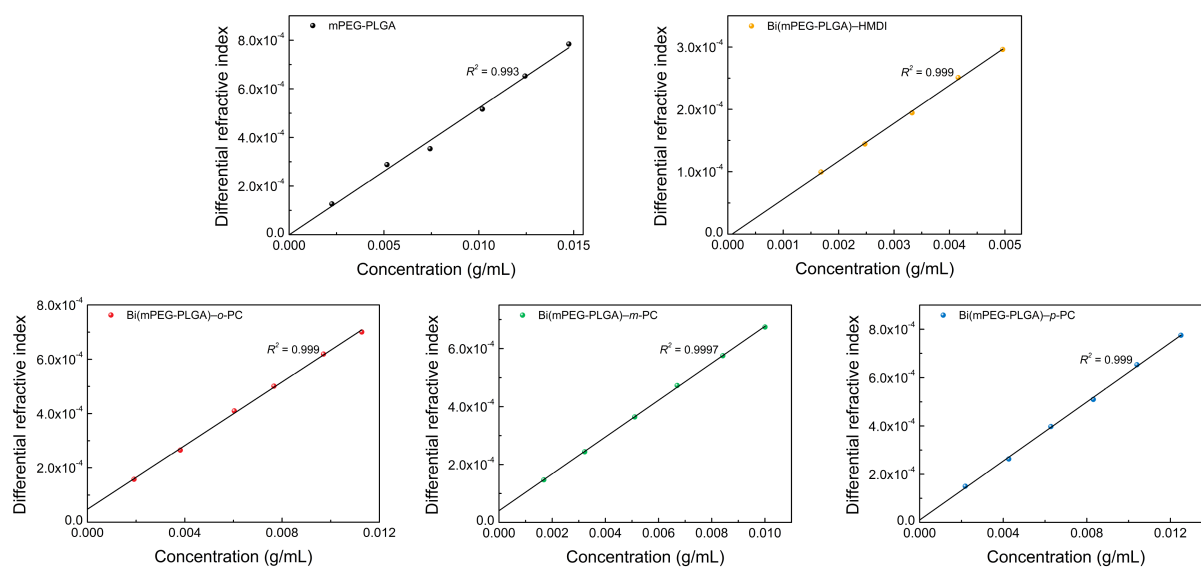**Corresponding Author**

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Fig. S1 d*n*/d*c* results of the indicated samples measured by a refractive index detector in THF.

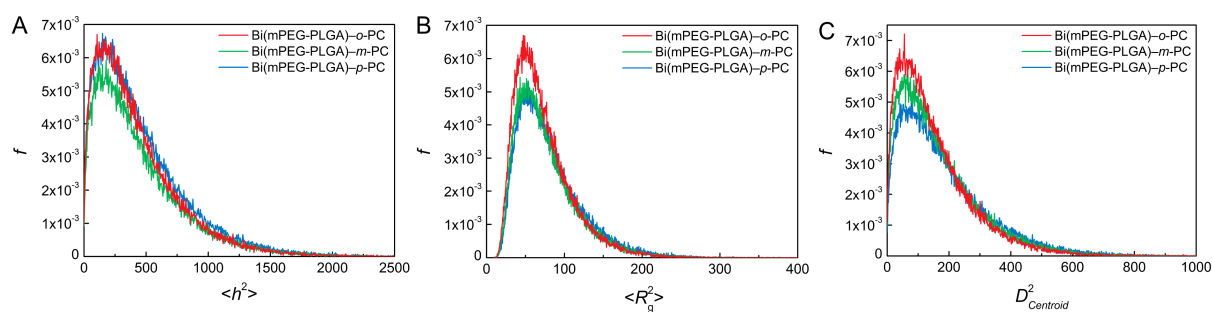**Fig. S2** Configurational distribution of single chains from Monte Carlo simulation. (A) Mean-squared end-to-end distance $<h^2>$, (B) mean-squared radius of gyration $<R_g^2>$ and (C) mean-squared distance between two side blocks $<D_{Centroid}^2>$. The statistics was made over 100,000 chain configurations.
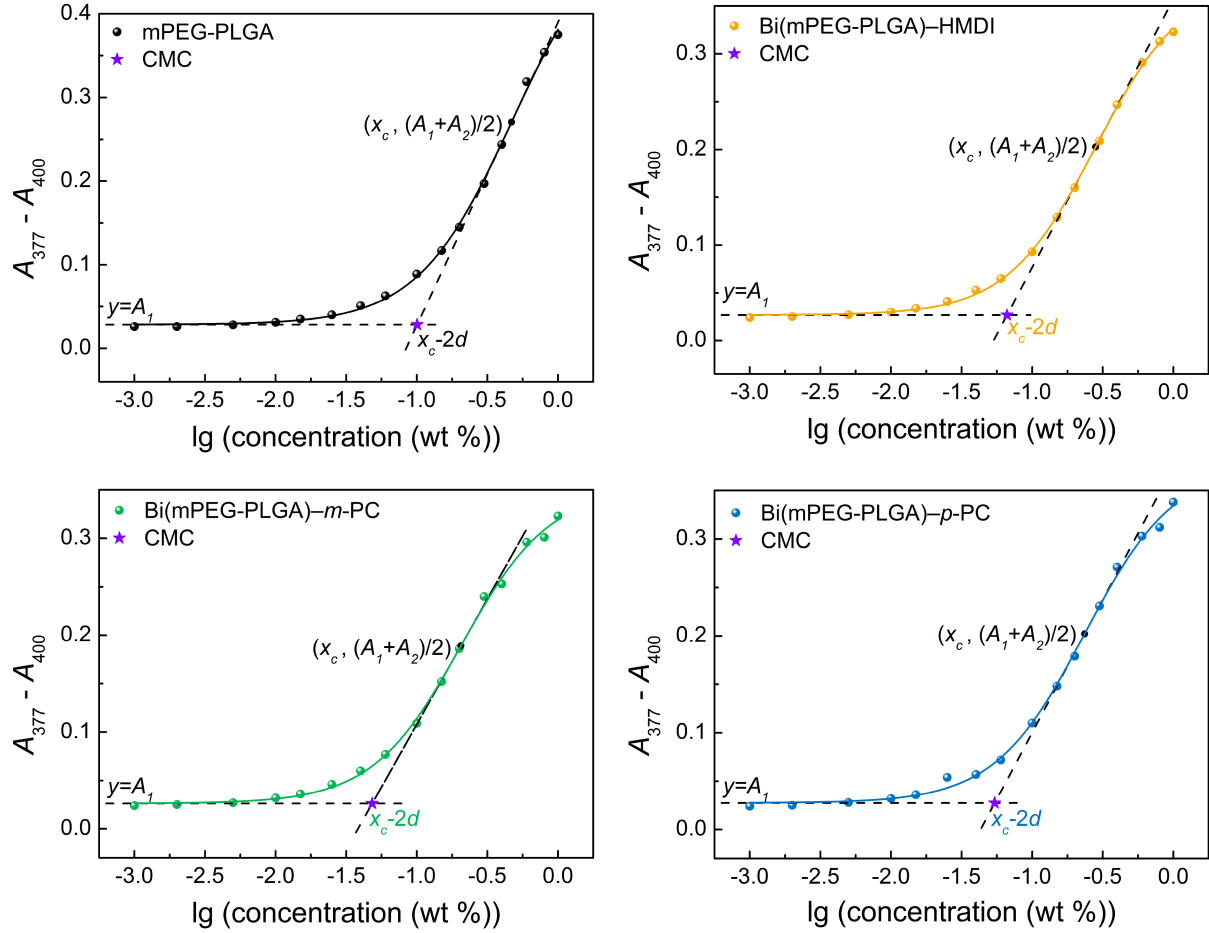
Fig. S3 CMC determination of the indicated copolymer aqueous solutions by fitting the data with a Boltzmann sigmoid, where y represents the absorbance difference ($A_{377} - A_{400}$), x is the logarithm of polymer concentration, A_1 and A_2 represent the asymptotic values of y at infinitely small and large x, x_c is the value at the center of the Boltzmann sigmoid, d measures the deviation of x around x_c, respectively. CMC was obtained from the turning point.

Table S1 Parameters of the CMC measurements using Boltzmann fitting.

Sample	x_c	d	$x_c - 2d$	R^2	CMC (wt %)
mPEG-PLGA	-0.3288	0.3343	-0.9974	0.999	0.101
Bi(mPEG-PLGA)–HMDI	-0.5505	0.3139	-1.1783	0.999	0.066
Bi(mPEG-PLGA)–*o*-PC	-0.5813	0.3340	-1.2493	0.998	0.056
Bi(mPEG-PLGA)–*m*-PC	-0.6873	0.3143	-1.3159	0.998	0.048
Bi(mPEG-PLGA)–*p*-PC	-0.62831	0.3186	-1.2655	0.998	0.054