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Supporting Information

All-Acrylic Superelastomers: Facile Synthesis and Exceptional Mechanical Behavior

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Figure S1. Reaction solutions on the synthesis of PMMA macromonomer: (a) activation of PVBA by *sec*-BuLi upon mixing; (b) the completion of the activation of PVBA by *sec*-BuLi; (c) formation of a complex between LiCl and nitrogen anion; (d) Solutions of living PMMA.



Figure S2. AFM phase images of (a) MG-8.4-3.3-8.6 and MG-18.1-2.8-18.4



Figure S3. Photographs of the multiple hysteresis tests of MG-29.3-1.5-9.3. From top to bottom are: Initial sample with a gauge length of 14 mm; sample stretched to 170 mm with around 1115% strain; recovered sample with a gauge length of around 15 mm; sample stretched the second time to 170 mm with around 1115% strain; recovered sample with a gauge length of around 16 mm.



Figure S4. a) Schematic structure of multigraft copolymers.¹ b) Difference in molecular architecture and conformation between multigraft copolymers and linear triblock copolymers using SIS as an example.²

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