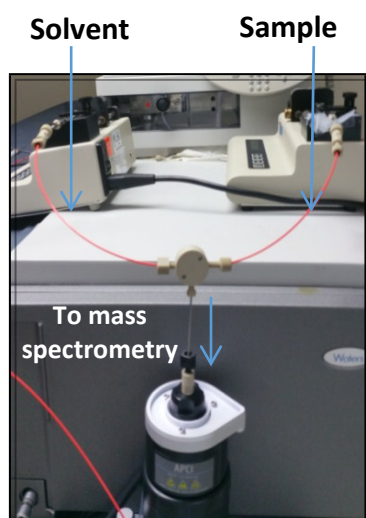




## 24 Experimental

### 25 Instrumentation



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27 Figure S1. Introduction system for the polyalphaolefins analysis.

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Table S1. NMR results for the studied mPAO and PAO.

		mPAO-A	PAO-B	mPAO-C	PAO-D	mPAO-E
Proportion (%)	CH saturated	12.8	9.7	12.1	10.2	12.7
	CH <sub>2</sub> saturated	74.3	79.5	75.8	78.2	74.1
	CH <sub>3</sub> saturated	12.8 (12.3 <sup>a</sup> /0.5 <sup>b</sup> )	10.7 (10.4 <sup>a</sup> /0.3 <sup>b</sup> )	11.9 (11.6 <sup>a</sup> /0.3 <sup>b</sup> )	11.3 (9.2 <sup>a</sup> /2.2 <sup>b</sup> )	13.1 (12.5 <sup>a</sup> /0.6 <sup>b</sup> )
	Chain length	C8	-	C9	-	C8

<sup>a</sup> long chains, <sup>b</sup> short chains

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Table S2. Alpha olefin combinations that can explain the ions observed for the main series of the mPAO-C.

<i>m/z</i>	Chemical formula of [M+Cl] <sup>-</sup> ions	Monomers combination
821.9	C <sub>56</sub> H <sub>114</sub> Cl	7C <sub>8</sub> or 4C <sub>12</sub> +C <sub>8</sub> or 2C <sub>12</sub> +4C <sub>8</sub>
877.9	C <sub>60</sub> H <sub>122</sub> Cl	5C <sub>12</sub> or 6C <sub>8</sub> +1C <sub>12</sub> or 3C <sub>12</sub> +3C <sub>8</sub>
934.0	C <sub>64</sub> H <sub>130</sub> Cl	4C <sub>12</sub> +2C <sub>8</sub> or 8C <sub>8</sub> or 2C <sub>12</sub> +5C <sub>8</sub>
990.0	C <sub>68</sub> H <sub>138</sub> Cl	5C <sub>12</sub> +C <sub>8</sub> or 7C <sub>8</sub> +1C <sub>12</sub> or 3C <sub>12</sub> +4C <sub>8</sub>

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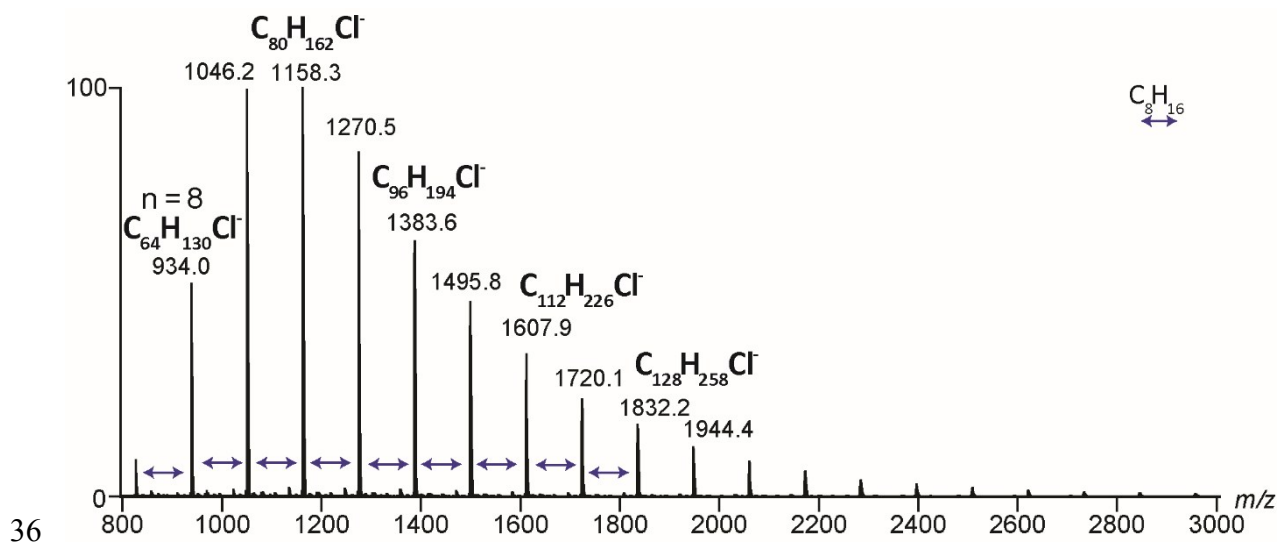
Table S3. Alpha olefin combinations that can explain the ions observed for the minor series of the mPAO-C.

<i>m/z</i>	Chemical formula of [M+Cl] <sup>-</sup> ions	Monomers combination
1018.1	C <sub>70</sub> H <sub>142</sub> Cl	5C <sub>12</sub> +C <sub>10</sub> or 8C <sub>8</sub> +C <sub>6</sub> or 7C <sub>10</sub>
1074.2	C <sub>74</sub> H <sub>150</sub> Cl	7C <sub>8</sub> +3C <sub>6</sub> or 2C <sub>12</sub> +5C <sub>10</sub> or 5C <sub>10</sub> +3C <sub>8</sub>
1130.2	C <sub>78</sub> H <sub>158</sub> Cl	6C <sub>12</sub> +C <sub>6</sub> or 9C <sub>8</sub> +C <sub>6</sub> or 6C <sub>10</sub> +3C <sub>6</sub>

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35 APPI-MS



37 Figure S2. APPI(-)-MS mass spectrum of the mPAO-E (grade 100) using  $CH_2Cl_2$  and toluene.

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