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Supplementary Information

High-strain Slide-Ring Shape Memory Polycaprolactone-based Polyurethane

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The PEG ditosylates:

Polyethylene glycol (PEG, $M_w = 20~000~g/mol$) (5.0 g, 0.250 mmol) was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) in a round-bottomed flask. The mixture was stirred for 10 min. p-TsCl (1.0 g, 10 mmol) and dimethylamino-pyridine (25 mg, 0.2 mmol) were then introduced into the solution. The reaction was stirred overnight, then concentrated to 5 mL and added dropwise to diethyl ether. The white precipitate was collected by filtration. The white precipitate was dried at room temperature under vacuum for 3 days.

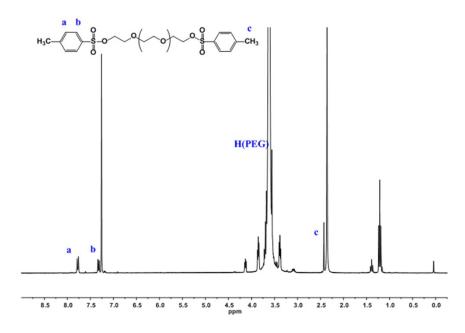


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectra of bis-tosyl-terminated PEG in CDCl₃.

The α,ω-ditosyl-terminated PEG polypseudorotaxanes:

An α -CD aqueous solution (1 g, in 7 mL of H_2O) was combined with an aqueous solution of bistosyl-terminated PEG (1 g, in 5 mL H_2O) at room temperature. The clear mixed solution became turbid within 30 min and was allowed to stand overnight at 5 °C. Sticky mixture was freeze-dried to obtain the polypseudorotaxanes.

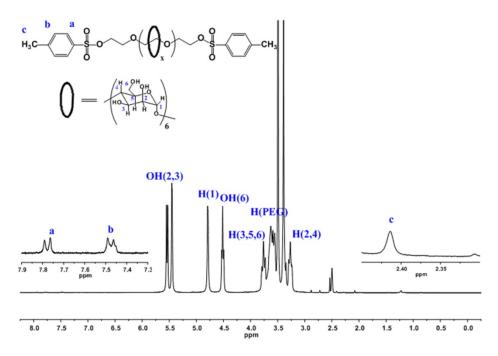


Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectra of the α,ω-ditosyl-terminated PEG polypseudorotaxanes in DMSO-d₆.

PEG polyrotaxanes:

A solution of 3, 5-dimethylphenol (0.86 g, 7.0 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) was slowly added to dry NaH (0.25 g) in a round-bottomed flask under a strong argon purge. The α , ω -ditosyl-terminated PEG polypseudorotaxanes (1.0 g) was then added to the reaction flask and rinsed down with 4 mL of DMF. After stirring overnight, the reaction mixture was poured into 60 mL of methanol. The precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with 2 × 20 mL of methanol, dissolved in 6 mL of DMSO, and precipitated into 50 mL of methanol. The precipitate was again collected by filtration and washed with 2 × 20 mL of methanol. Finally, the white solid product was dried at 110 °C overnight under vacuum.

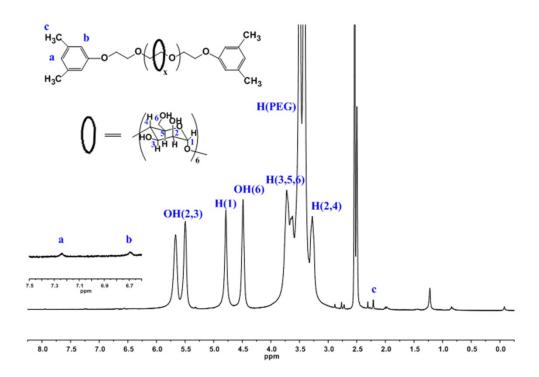


Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectra of PEG polyrotaxanes in DMSO-d₆ with TMS as an internal standard.

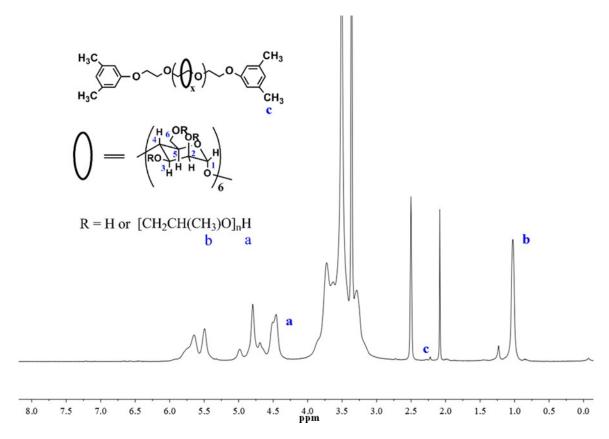


Figure S4. ¹H-NMR spectra of HPPR in DMSO-d₆ with TMS as an internal standard.

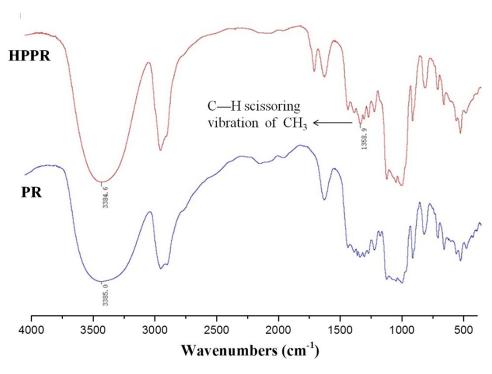


Figure S5. FT-IR spectra of PR and HPPR

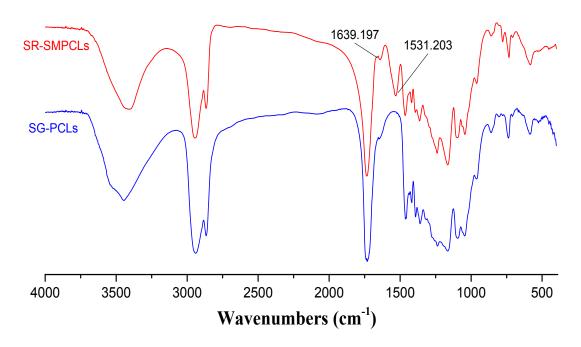


Figure S6. FT-IR spectra of sliding graft PCL (SG-PCLs) and slide-ring PUs (SR-SMPCLUs)

Table S1. Measured SME Parameters of the samples at different deformation strains

Sample	Strain	$\varepsilon_{\rm n}$ (%)	$\varepsilon_{\rm m}$ (%)	ε_{u} (%)	ε_{p} (%)	$R_{\rm f}$ (%)	$R_{\rm r}$ (%)	<i>V</i> _r (%/min)
	20%	0.169	21.40	21.17	0.642	98.92	97.43	46.01
	40%	0.205	43.24	42.90	1.439	99.21	97.11	36.23
	70%	0.46	65.24	64.88	0.66	99.44	99.69	33.04
	100%	0.686	101.137	99.817	1.012	98.68	99.67	32.05
	200%	0.325	215.80	213.00	1.305	98.70	99.54	25.00
SR-SMPCLU	300%	0.35	281.44	279.44	4.54	98.78	99.40	20.33
	400%	0.212	376.38	374.38	2.20	99.47	99.41	17.99
	600%	0	600	593.5	7.33	98.92	98.76	
	800%	0	800	788.2	21.20	98.53	97.31	
	1000%	0	1000	985.4	30.25	98.54	96.93	
	1300%	0	1300	1287.7	44.17	99.05	96.57	
	100%	0.3159	108.65	102.53	10.76	94.35	89.78	
CC-SMPCLU	400%	1.2636	434.6	410.1	104.52	94.35	74.74	
	700%	0	663	636.94	140.38	96.07	77.96	
	50%	0.213	52.78	51.07	4.55	96.61	91.60	
L-PCLU	200%	0.52	256.90	255.7	58.91	99.53	77.12	
	800%	0	795	786.7	207.6	98.96	73.61	

 $\textbf{Table S2.} \ \ \text{Measured SME Parameters of the sample SR-SMPCLUs repeated for four cycles when} \ \epsilon_m \ was \ about \ 40\%$

Cycle	$\varepsilon_{\rm n}(\%)$	$\varepsilon_{\rm m}(\%)$	ε _u (%)	ε _p (%)	$R_f(\%)$	$R_{\rm r}$ (%)	$R_{\text{r.adj}}$ (%)	V _r (%/min)
1	0.316	40.49	40.15	0.862	99.15	98.63	98.63	38.07
2	0.862	43.94	43.6	1.584	99.21	98.31	97.07	35.71
3	1.584	46.17	45.95	2.574	99.51	97.77	95.05	41.67
4	2.574	48.759	48.549	3.238	99.55	98.56	93.94	38.27

Table S3. Measured SME Parameters of the sample SR-SMPCLUs repeated for six cycles when ϵ_m was about 280%

Cycle	$\varepsilon_{\rm n}(\%)$	ε _m (%)	$\varepsilon_{\mathrm{u}}(\%)$	ε _p (%)	$R_f(\%)$	$R_{\rm r}$ (%)	$R_{\text{r.adj}}$ (%)	V _r (%/min)
1	0.71	278.60	273.30	9.50	98.09	96.78	96.78	7.03
2	9.50	287.39	284.09	10.01	98.81	99.81	96.72	20.27
3	10.01	280.03	278.63	10.88	99.81	99.68	96.34	20.27
4	10.88	292.02	290.02	12.78	99.29	99.32	95.83	20.27
5	12.78	271	268.7	13.57	99.11	99.69	95.20	20.66
6	13.57	291.87	289.97	15.47	98.96	99.67	94.90	20.27

Table S4. Measured SME Parameters of the sample L-PCLU repeated for four cycles

Cycle	$\epsilon_n(\%)$	$\epsilon_{\rm m}(\%)$	$\epsilon_{\rm u}(\%)$	ε _p (%)	$R_{\rm f}$ (%)	$R_{\rm r}$ (%)	$R_{ m r.adj}$ (%) $V_{ m r}$	(%/min)
1	0.52	256.90	255.7	58.91	99.53	77.12	77.12	
2	58.91	280.00	277.74	84.63	98.98	88.25	69.66	8.09
3	84.63	310.45	310.17	111.26	99.87	88.19	64.24	8.03
4	111.26	343.90	343.62	138.74	99.88	84.57	59.71	8.09

Table S5. Measured SME Parameters of the sample CC-SMPCLU repeated for four cycles

Cycle	ε _n (%)	ε _m (%)	ε _u (%)	ε _p (%)	$R_{\rm f}$ (%)	$R_{\rm r}$ (%)	$R_{\text{r.adj}}$ (%)	V _r (%/min)
1	0.76	259.8	246.1	51.9	94.70	79.15	79.15	
2	51.9	273.80	258.24	82.51	92.99	85.17	68.25	8.56
3	82.51	298.69	288.32	117.50	95.20	83.00	59.40	9.57
4	117.50	338.62	327.25	139.03	94.86	89.94	57.65	11.54

Supplementary Video S1

Actual observation of the shape recovery of panda pattern film made of SR-SMPCLU from a stretched temporary shape to permanent shape at preset 65 °C water bath

within 1 second.