

Supporting Information

Biomimetic hierarchical structure with hydrophilic surface and hydrophobic subsurface constructed from waterborne polyurethanes containing self-assembling peptide extender

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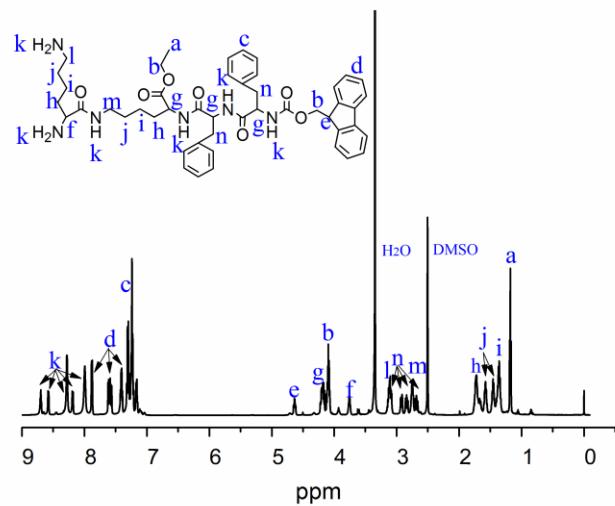


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of PPE.

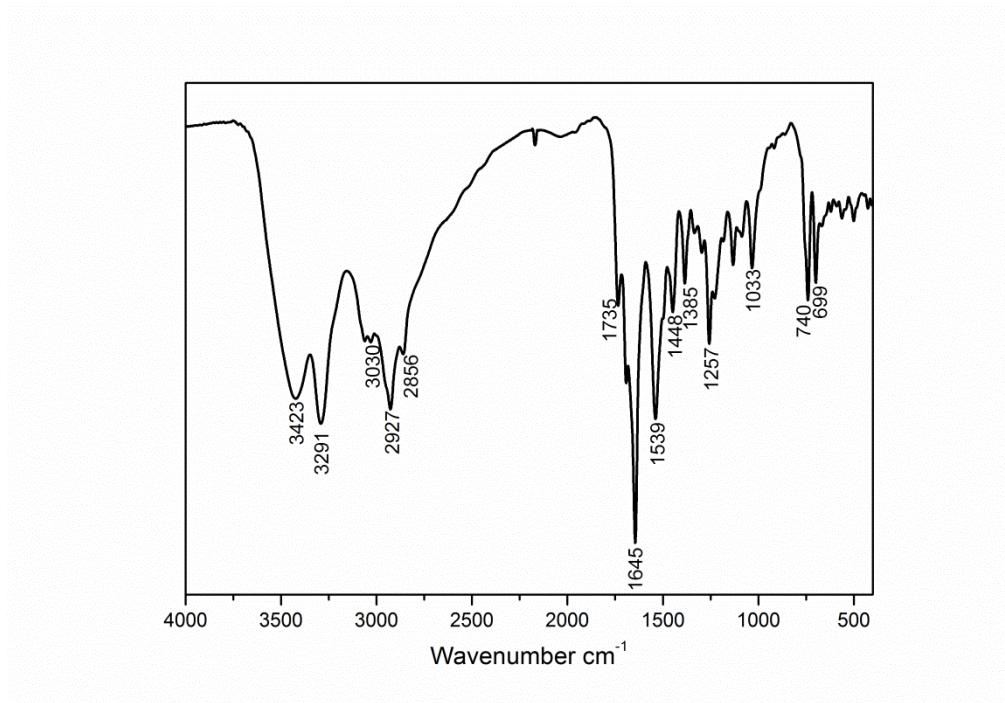


Figure S2. FTIR spectrum of PPE. 740cm^{-1} , 699cm^{-1} : δ_{CH} (benzene ring). 3030cm^{-1} : $\nu_{\text{C-H}}$ (benzene ring). 1033cm^{-1} , 1257cm^{-1} : $\nu_{\text{C-O}}$ (ethyl ester). 1735cm^{-1} : $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ (ethyl ester). 1385cm^{-1} , 1448cm^{-1} : ν_{CH} (methyl, methylene). 2856cm^{-1} , 2927cm^{-1} : δ_{CH} (methyl, methylene). 1645cm^{-1} : $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ (amide). 1539cm^{-1} : δ_{NH} (amide). 3291cm^{-1} : ν_{NH} (amide). 3423cm^{-1} : ν_{NH} (carbamate, amino).

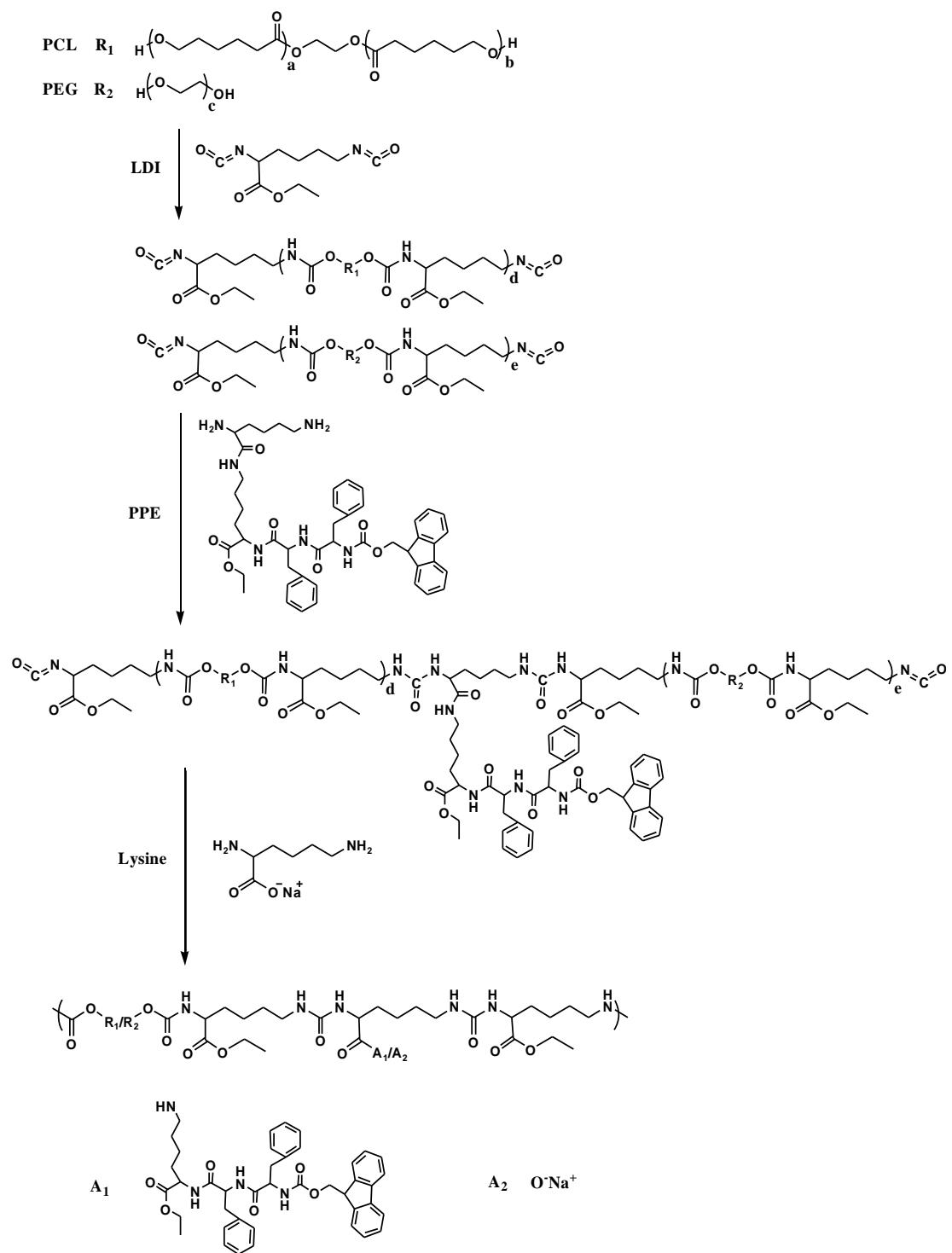


Figure S3. Synthesis route of WPU.

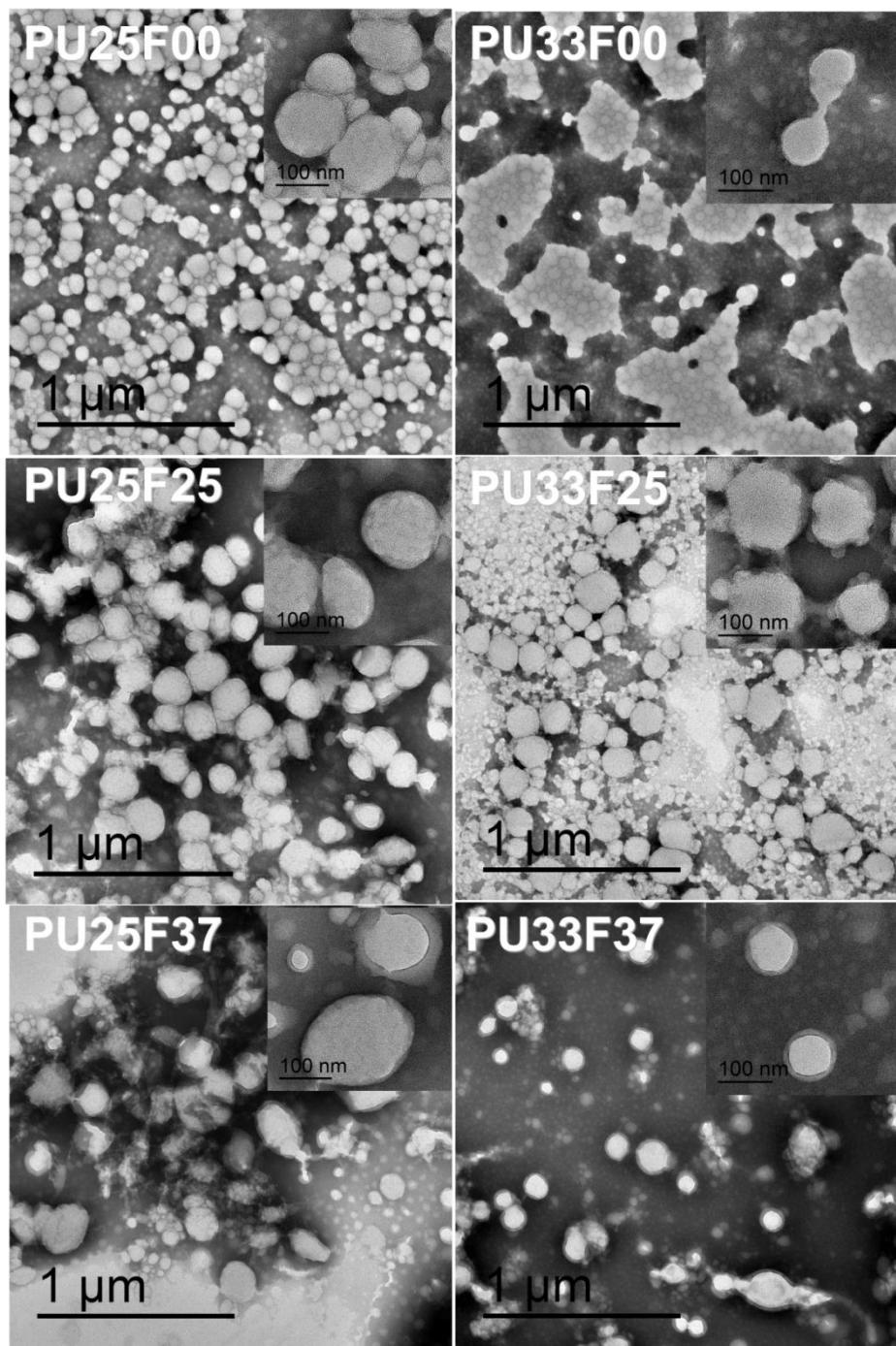


Figure S4. TEM images of various WPU emulsion particles.

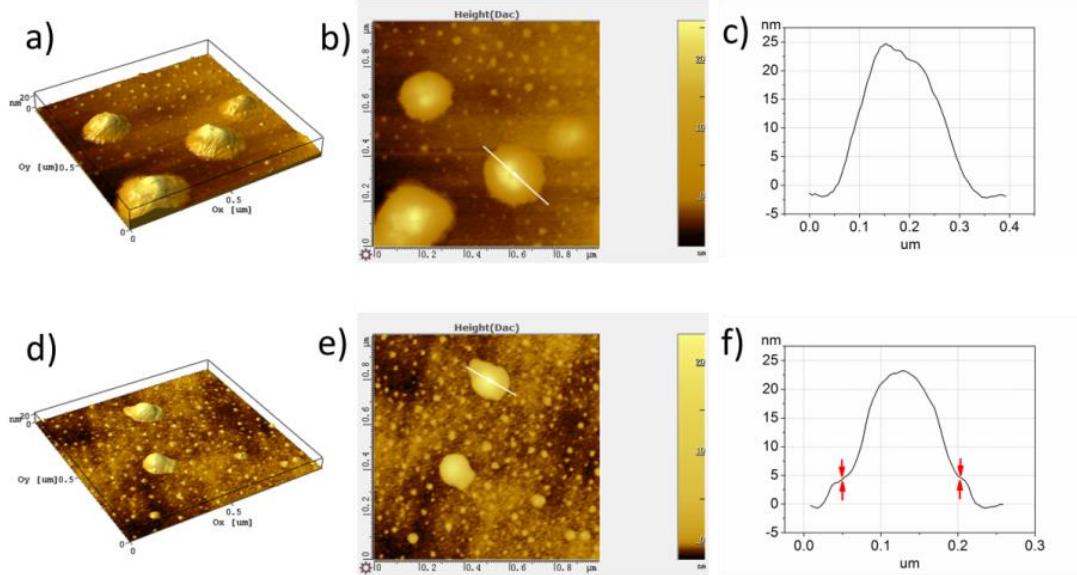


Figure S5. AFM images of polyurethane emulsion particles deposited on silica wafer. a) stereogram and b) height graph of PU33F00 particles, c) section of emulsion particle located on white line in b). d) stereogram and e) height graph of PU33F37 particles, f) section of emulsion particle located on white line in e), the red arrow marks a step which represents a loop surrounding the emulsion particle.

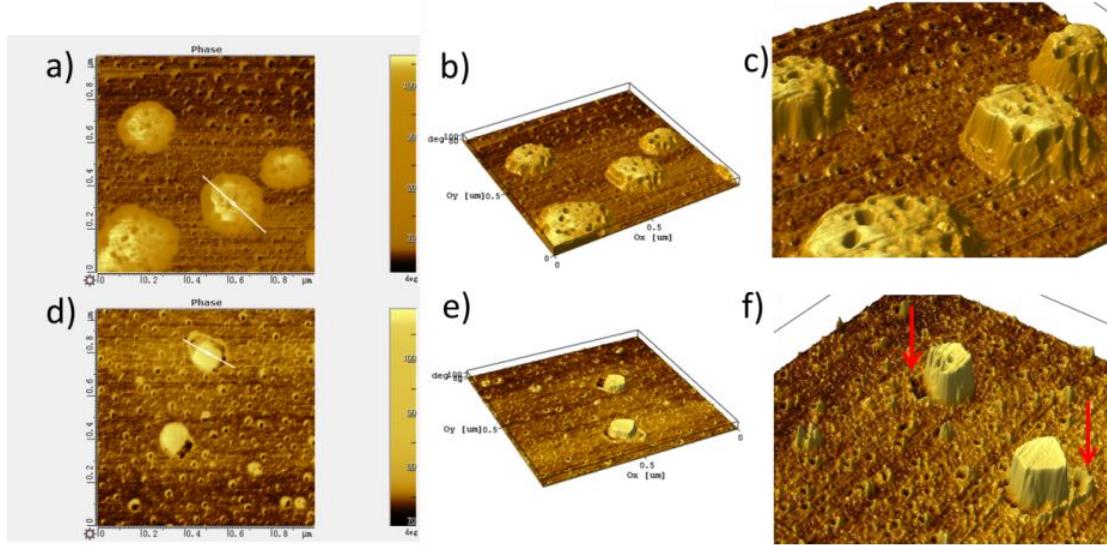


Figure S6. AFM images of polyurethane emulsion particles deposited on silica wafer. a) phase graph and b) c) stereogram of PU33F00 particles. d) phase graph and e) f) stereogram of PU33F37 particles, the red arrows in f) mark a loop surrounding the emulsion particle with different phase structure from the core of emulsion particle.

Table S1. Emulsion particles size (nm) in different pH.

| Sample | pH | | | | |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 10 |
| PU25F00 | 2664±743 | 1974±350 | 180.1±37 | 179.0±6.4 | 182.6±6.8 |
| PU25F25 | 170.6±2.7 | 168.6±3.4 | 171.2±2.9 | 176.2±3.4 | 176.5±4.0 |
| PU25F37 | 203.8±6.3 | 255.4±13 | 206.3±4.2 | 214.0±7.8 | 214.1±5.7 |
| PU33F00 | 4529±1062 | 3540±539 | 268.8±32 | 225.4±1.3 | 205.7±4.9 |
| PU33F25 | 188.7±3.8 | 181.9±6.3 | 196.4±1.6 | 192.3±7.0 | 196.7±6.2 |
| PU33F37 | 152.9±3.9 | 174.0±5.3 | 146.2±2.7 | 148.6±3.5 | 155.6±0.7 |

Table S2. Emulsion particles zeta potential (mV) in different pH.

| Sample | pH | | | | |
|---------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 10 |
| PU25F00 | 5.1±0.1 | 9.7±1.5 | -17.7±0.6 | -32.7±0.8 | -30.6±1.2 |
| PU25F25 | 8.7±1.5 | 8.7±0.6 | -28.5±1.0 | -33.1±1.5 | -21.1±0.9 |
| PU25F37 | 12.3±3.0 | 5.4±0.2 | -26.8±0.8 | -34.0±6.4 | -24.6±1.2 |
| PU33F00 | 3.4±1.6 | 2.7±0.2 | -27.9±0.4 | -36.5±1.5 | -26.3±0.7 |
| PU33F25 | 5.2±0.8 | 11.1±1.0 | -24.8±0.5 | -33.0±1.2 | -23.2±1.0 |
| PU33F37 | 4.9±0.2 | 6.7±0.6 | -34.8±0.8 | -33.6±0.8 | -21.8±0.7 |

Table S3. Emulsion particles size (nm) in different salt concentration.

| Sample | Salt concentration | | |
|---------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| | 0% | 4% | 7% |
| PU25F00 | 180.1±37 | 185.5±3.1 | 191.6±2.7 |
| PU25F25 | 171.2±2.9 | 186.4±2.8 | 190.3±11.6 |
| PU25F37 | 206.3±4.2 | 216.3±3.6 | 237.1±10.4 |
| PU33F00 | 268.8±32 | 199.9±4.6 | 1051.7±120.3 |
| PU33F25 | 196.4±1.6 | 210.9±3.5 | 207.6±13.1 |
| PU33F37 | 146.2±2.7 | 173.7±1.1 | 192.2±9.7 |

Table S4. Emulsion particles zeta potential (mV) in different salt concentration.

| Sample | Salt concentration | | |
|---------|--------------------|----------|----------|
| | 0% | 4% | 7% |
| PU25F00 | -17.7±0.6 | -6.2±1.5 | -5.3±0.4 |
| PU25F25 | -28.5±1.0 | -4.2±1.3 | -4.2±0.4 |
| PU25F37 | -26.8±0.8 | -5.8±1.2 | -5.4±0.9 |
| PU33F00 | -27.9±0.4 | -6.9±0.3 | -5.9±0.5 |
| PU33F25 | -24.8±0.5 | -5.5±0.6 | -4.3±2.2 |
| PU33F37 | -34.8±0.8 | -4.2±1.0 | -5.8±1.2 |

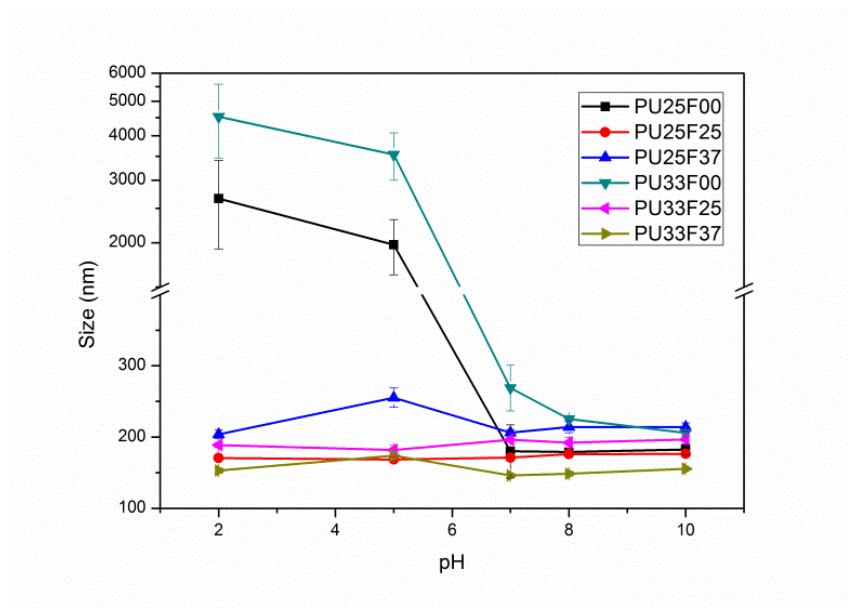


Figure S7. Emulsion particles size in different pH.

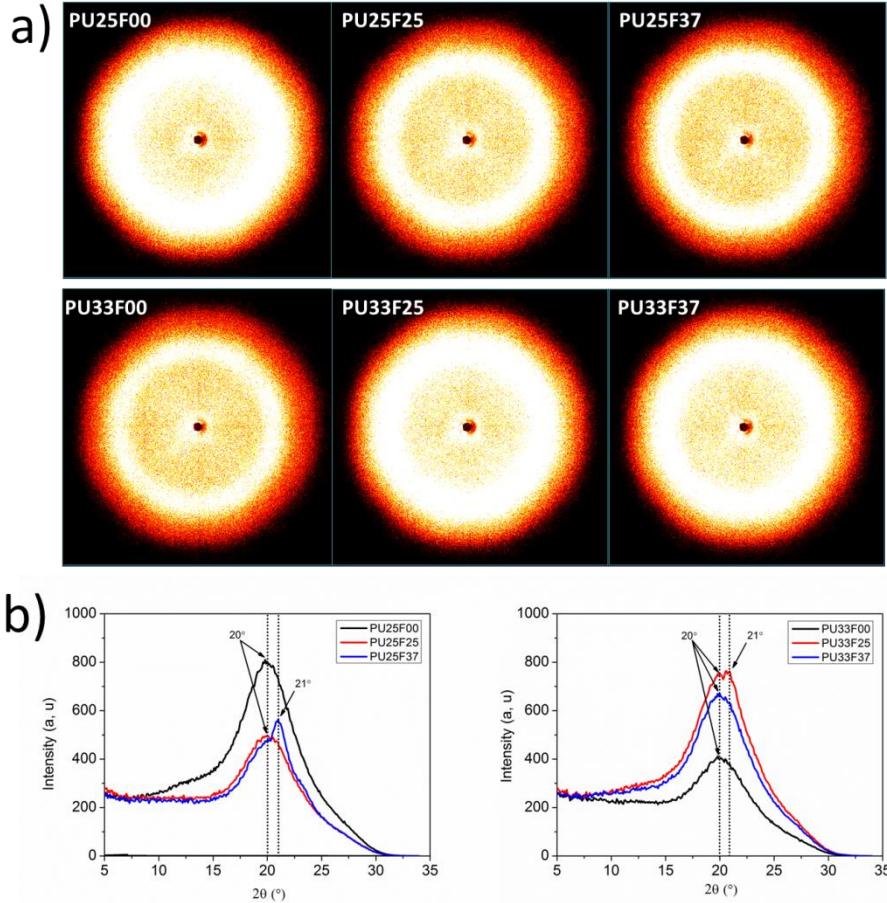


Figure S8. Wide Angle X-ray Scattering (WAXS) patterns a) and curves b) of PU films measured by D8 DISCOVER (BRUKER Germany) operated at 40 kV and 40 mA with Cu ($\lambda=1.54178 \text{ \AA}$) irradiation.

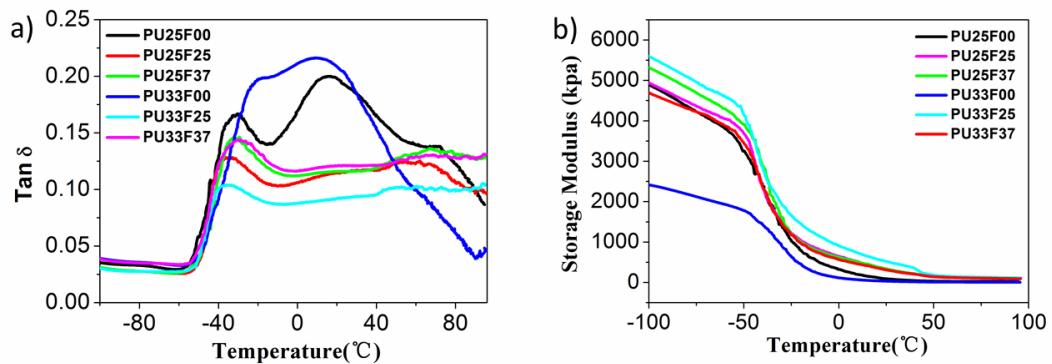


Figure S9. DMA curves of WPU films. The measurement was performed on a Dynamic Mechanical Thermal Analyzer (DMA) Q800 (TA instruments) using rectangular test film. The testing was done at a heating rate of 5 °C /min and at a frequency of 10 Hz.

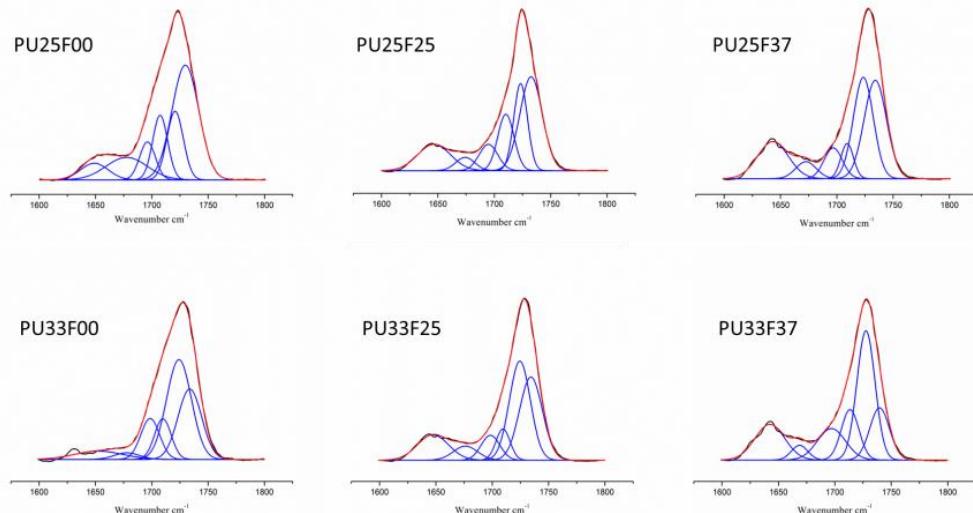


Figure S10. FTIR curve-fitting of polyurethane films in carbonyl stretching region

Table S5. FTIR curve-fitting results of polyurethane films in carbonyl stretching region.

| Sample | PCL | | Urethane | | Urea | | Hard Segment | |
|--------------------------------|------|---------|----------|--------|------|--------|--------------|--------|
| | Free | H-bond* | Free | H-bond | Free | H-bond | Free | H-bond |
| Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹) | 1733 | 1723 | 1709 | 1697 | 1674 | 1644 | | |
| PU25F00 | 43.0 | 15.7 | 13.6 | 8.3 | 12.9 | 6.4 | 26.5 | 14.7 |
| PU25F25 | 36.1 | 20.4 | 15.7 | 8.5 | 4.4 | 14.5 | 20.1 | 23.0 |
| PU25F37 | 32.8 | 30.0 | 6.6 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 17.0 | 11.8 | 25.4 |
| PU33F00 | 27.0 | 40.2 | 11.0 | 12.5 | 2.7 | 6.54 | 13.7 | 19.0 |
| PU33F25 | 31.5 | 34.6 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 5.7 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 21.0 |
| PU33F37 | 16.0 | 36.2 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 3.7 | 16.5 | 17.6 | 30.0 |

* Means hydrogen-bonded carbonyl.

Table. S6 Peaks percentage in C1s core-level XPS spectra of the polyurethane film surfaces.

| Samples | C-C, C-H 284.7ev | C-O 286.1ev | C=O 288.7ev | C-O/C=O |
|---------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
| PU25F00 | 67.8 | 20.7 | 11.5 | 1.79 |
| PU25F25 | 59.0 | 27.8 | 13.2 | 2.11 |
| PU25F37 | 53.3 | 32.8 | 13.9 | 2.37 |
| PU33F00 | 45.3 | 39.5 | 15.2 | 2.60 |
| PU33F25 | 43.4 | 43.5 | 13.1 | 3.32 |
| PU33F37 | 29.8 | 55.9 | 14.3 | 3.91 |

Table S7. Static contact angle of polyurethane films.

| Sample | H ₂ O (°) stationary | CH ₂ I ₂ (°) stationary | Total surface energy | | |
|---------|------------------------------------|--|----------------------|-------|-------|
| | γ (mN/m) (disperse part) | γ (mN/m) (polar part) | γ (mN/m) | | |
| PU33F00 | 55.9±4.21 | 38.8±2.56 | 32.96 | 17.65 | 50.61 |
| PU33F25 | 50.3±1.81 | 43.2±1.55 | 29.91 | 22.80 | 52.71 |
| PU33F37 | 51.5±1.55 | 37.1±2.31 | 33.18 | 20.31 | 53.49 |

Table S8. Dynamic contact angle of polyurethane films.

| Sample | Stationary contact angle (°) | Advancing contact angle (°) | Receding contact angle (°) |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| PU33F00 | 69.4±0.80 | 68.0±2.05 | 42.9±1.28 |
| PU33F25 | 64.2±1.50 | 56.7±1.15 | 25.6±0.47 |
| PU33F37 | 64.7±2.14 | 63.4±1.42 | 33.6±2.07 |

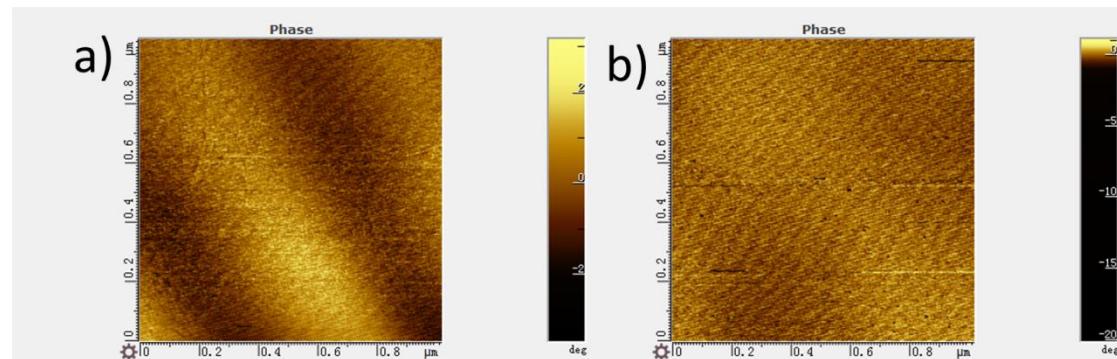


Figure S11. a) AFM phase images of films in wet condition of PU33F00 and b) PU33F37.