

Supporting Information

Introducing a 1,1-diphenylethylene analogue for vinylpyridine: anionic copolymerisation of 3-(1-phenylvinyl)pyridine (*m*-PyPE)

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m-PyPE characterization

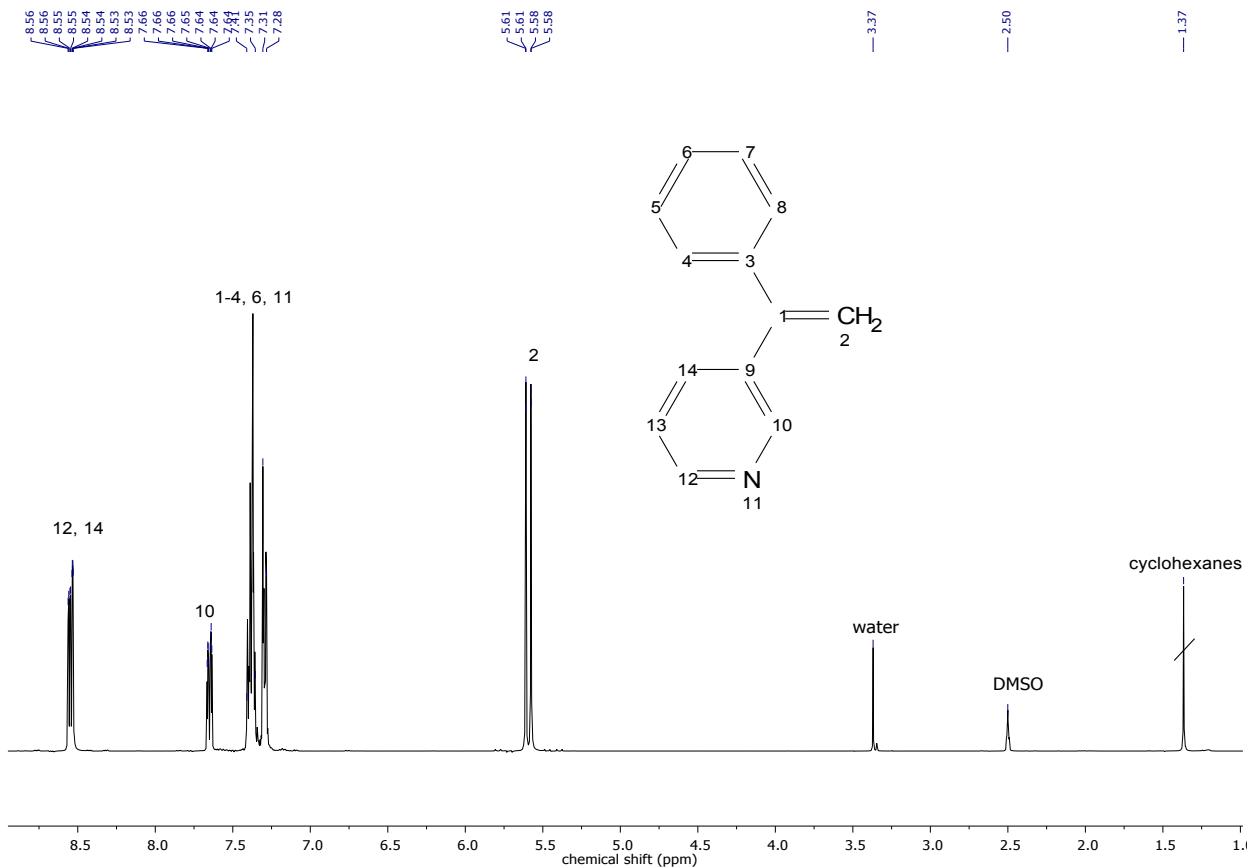


Figure S1: ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) of *m*-PyPE.

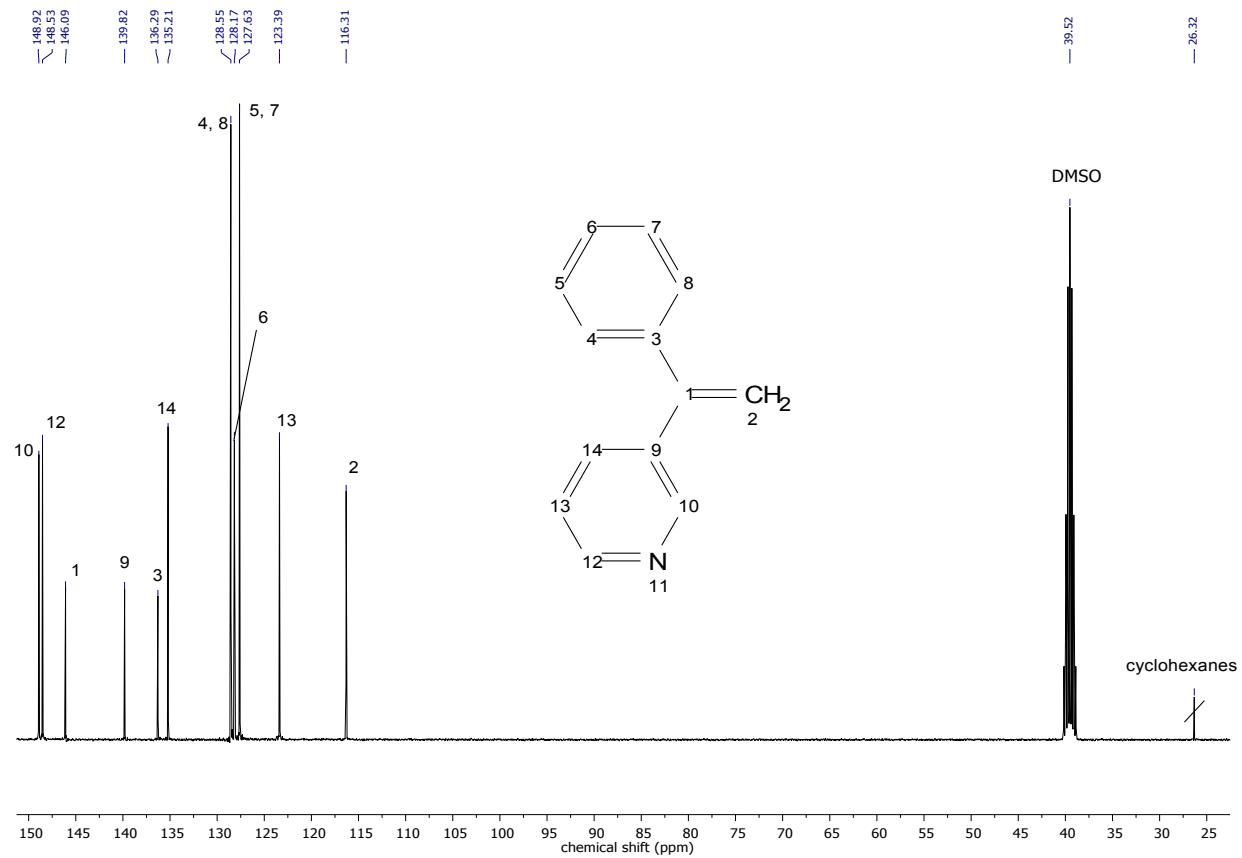


Figure S2: ^{13}C NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6) of *m*-PyPE.

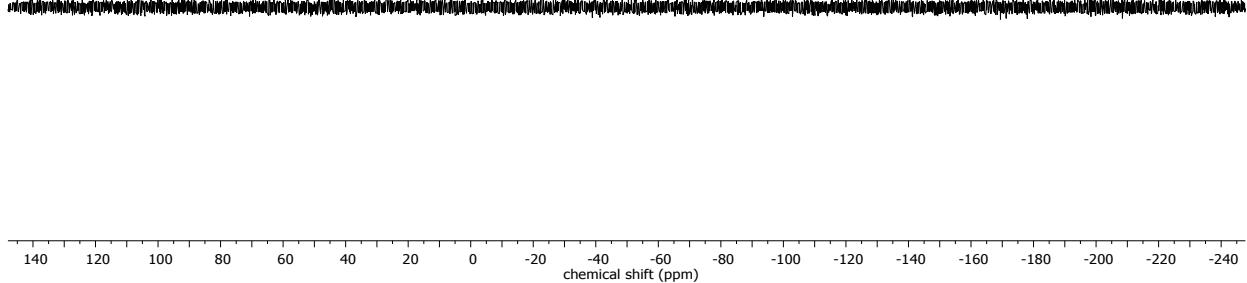


Figure S3: ^{31}P NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6) of *m*-PyPE, showing the absence of TPPO.

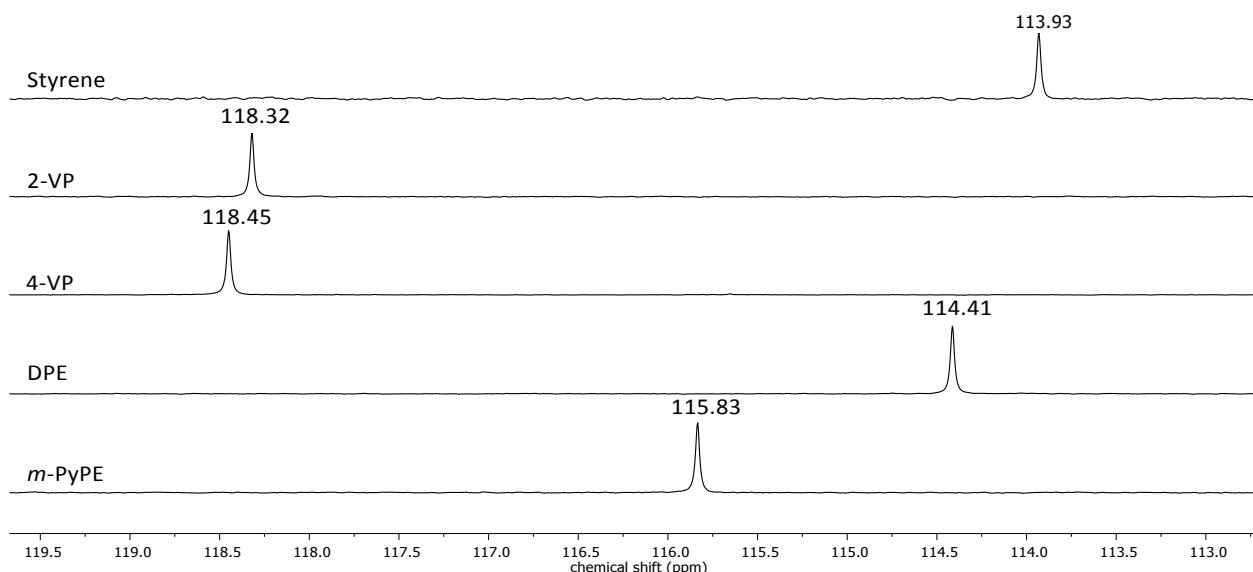


Figure S4: ^{13}C NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of different monomers, showing the respective β -carbon shifts.

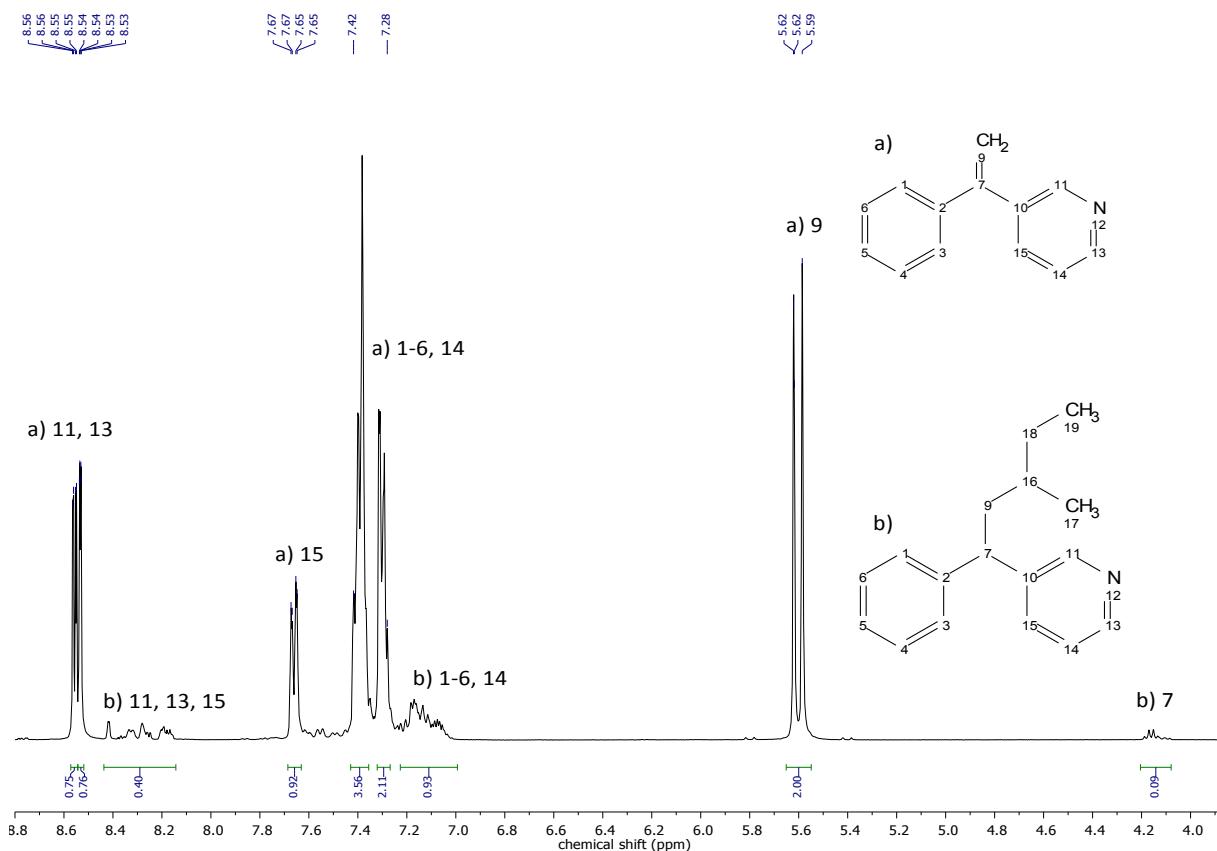


Figure S5: ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6) of *s*-BuLi initiated *m*-PyPE, showing only the addition of the butyl group and no polymerization products.

Copolymer NMR characterization

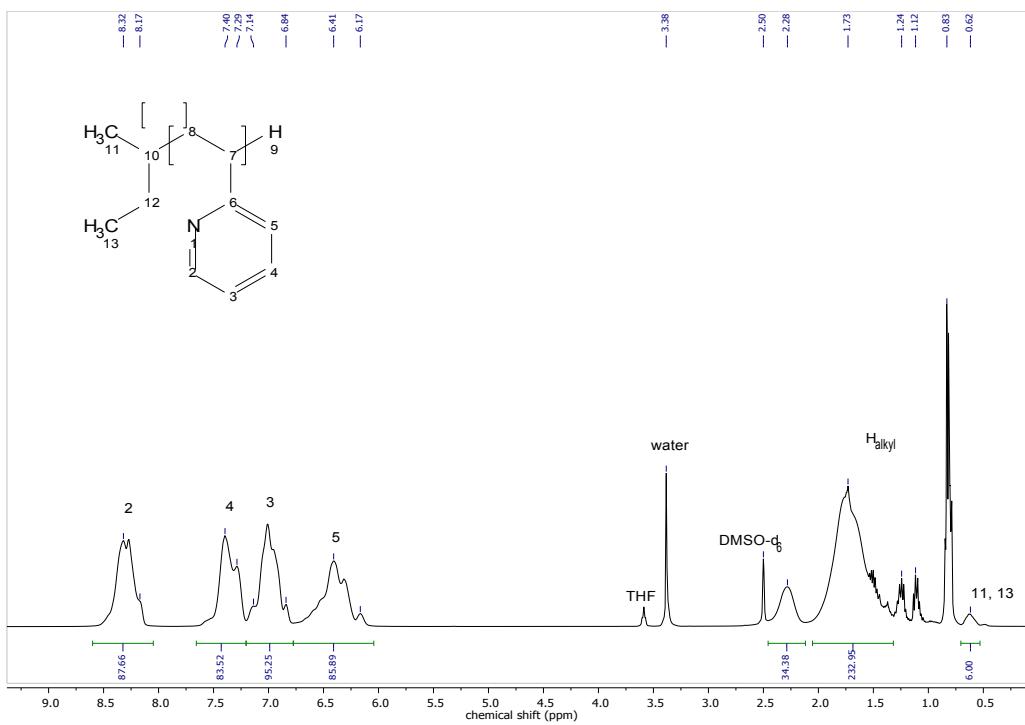


Figure S6: ^1H NMR spectrum (DMSO-d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP).

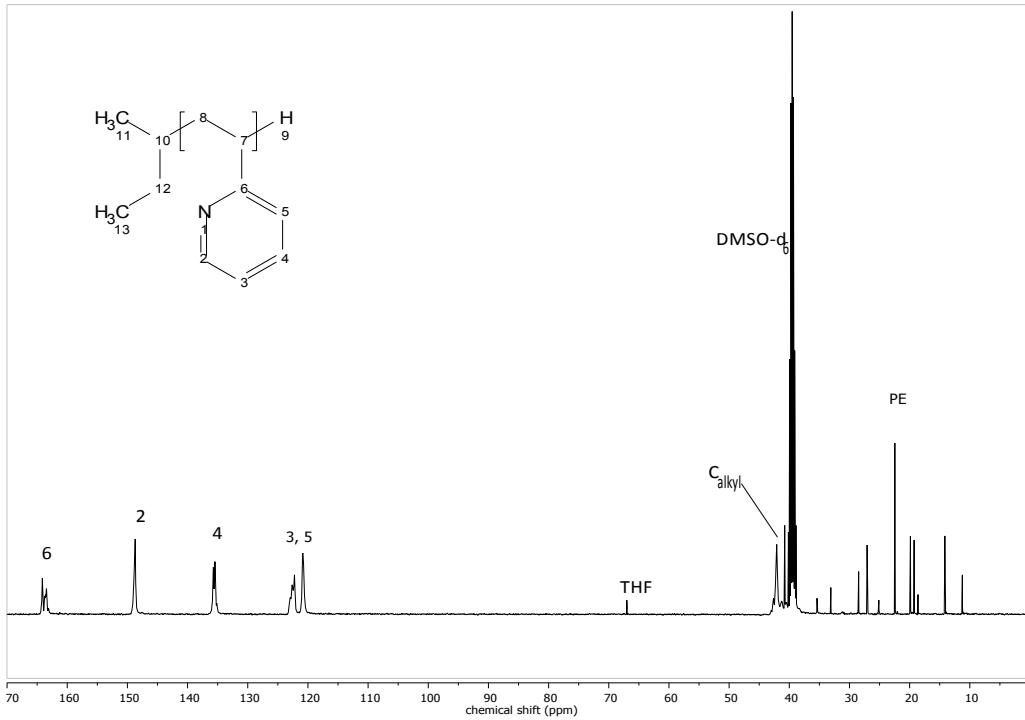


Figure S7: IG ^{13}C NMR spectrum (DMSO-d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP).

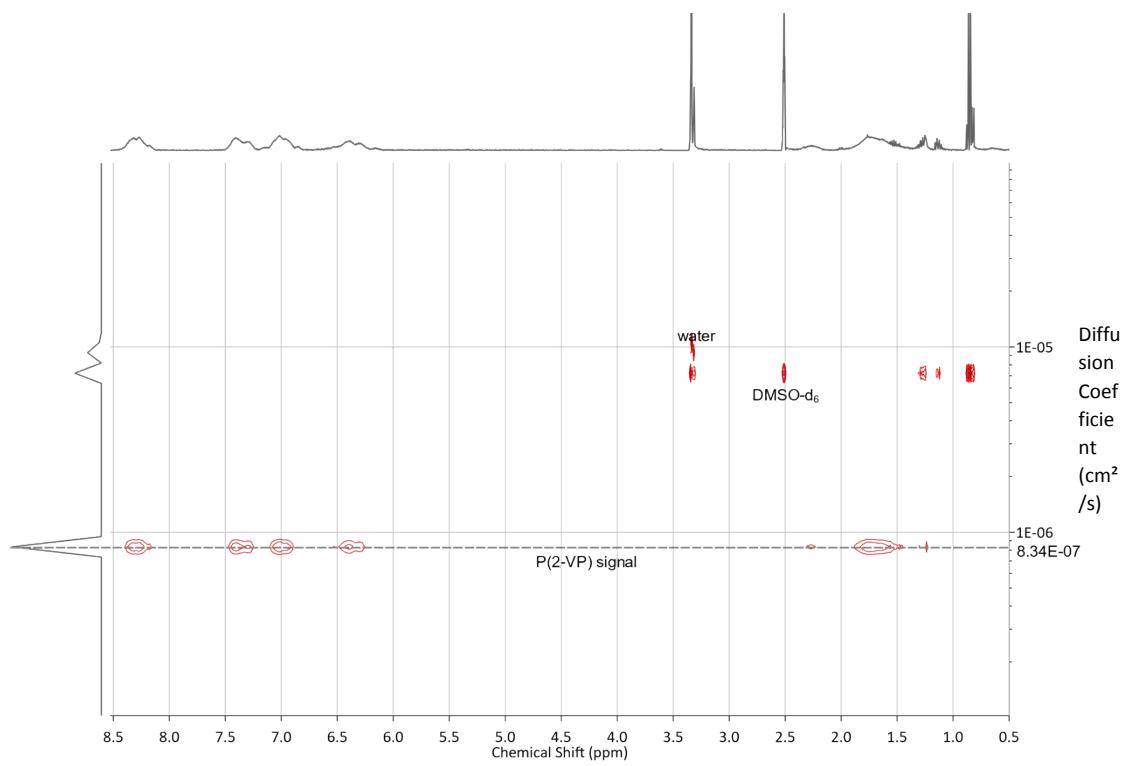


Figure S8: DOSY NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP).

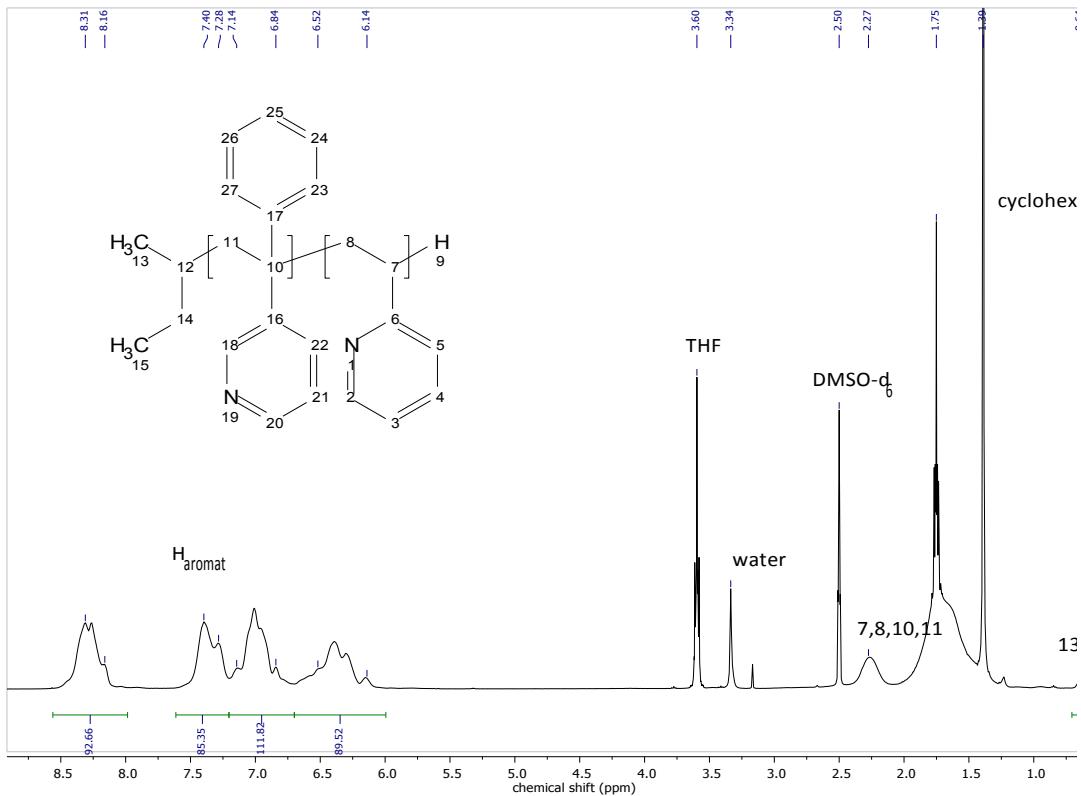


Figure S9: ¹H NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 5% m-PyPE.

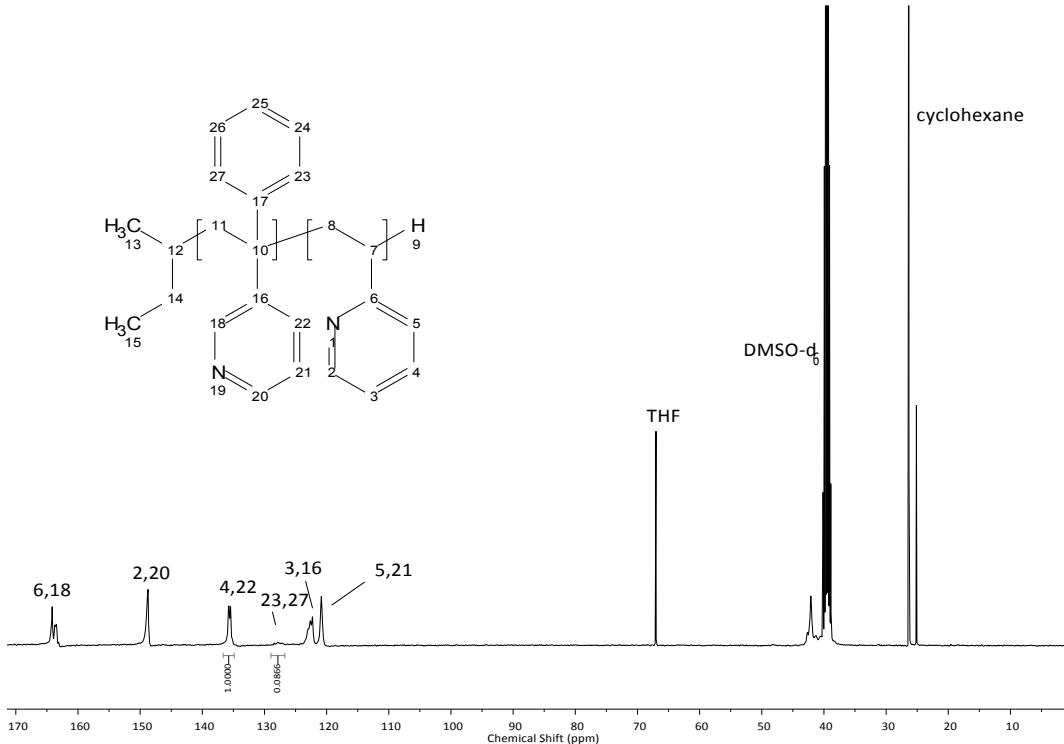


Figure S10: IG ¹³C NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 5% m-PyPE.

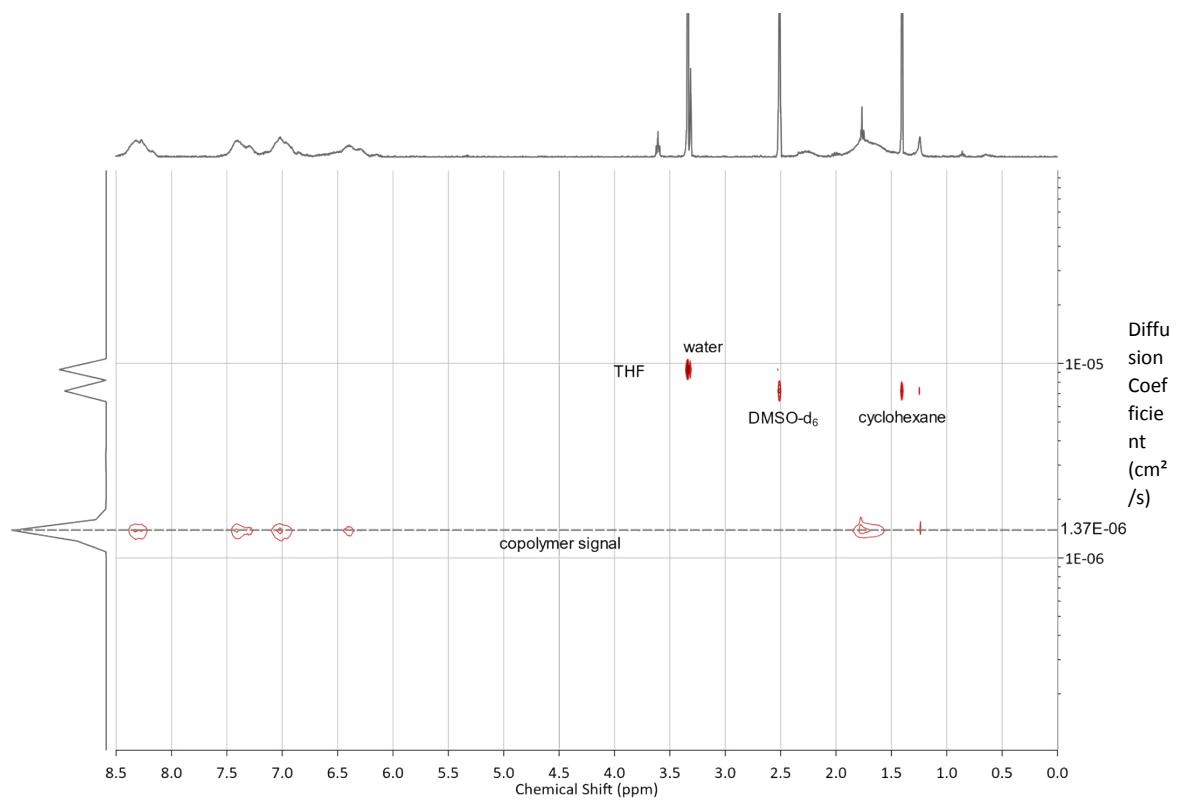


Figure S11: DOSY NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 5% m-PyPE.

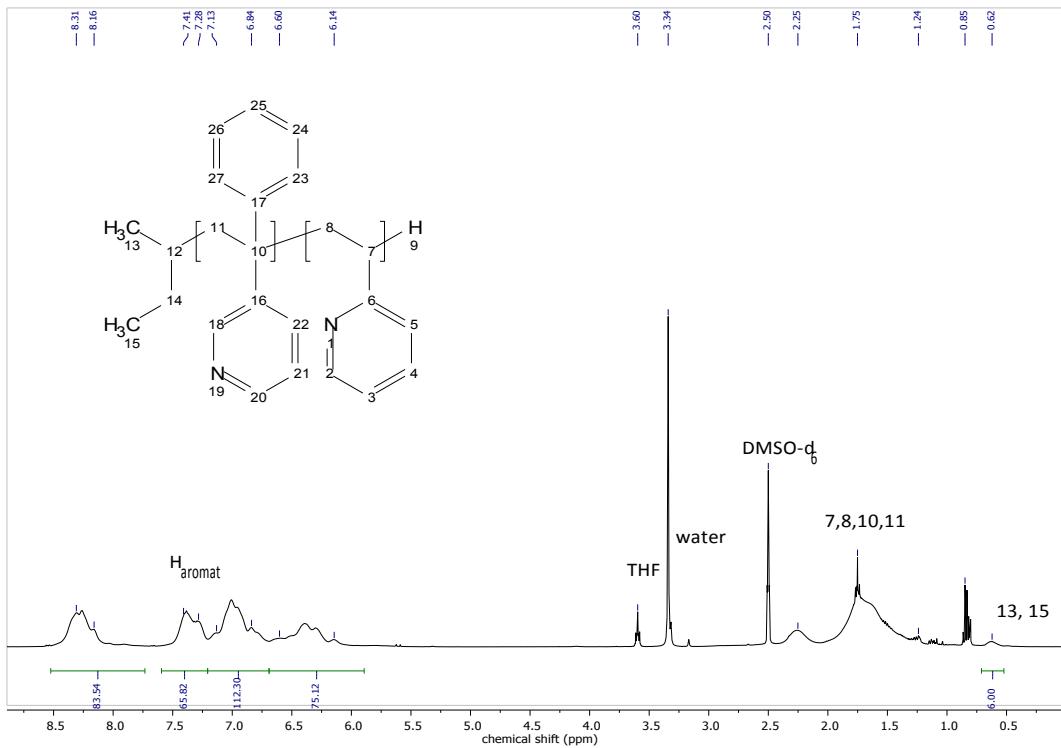


Figure S12: ^1H NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 10% *m*-PyPE.

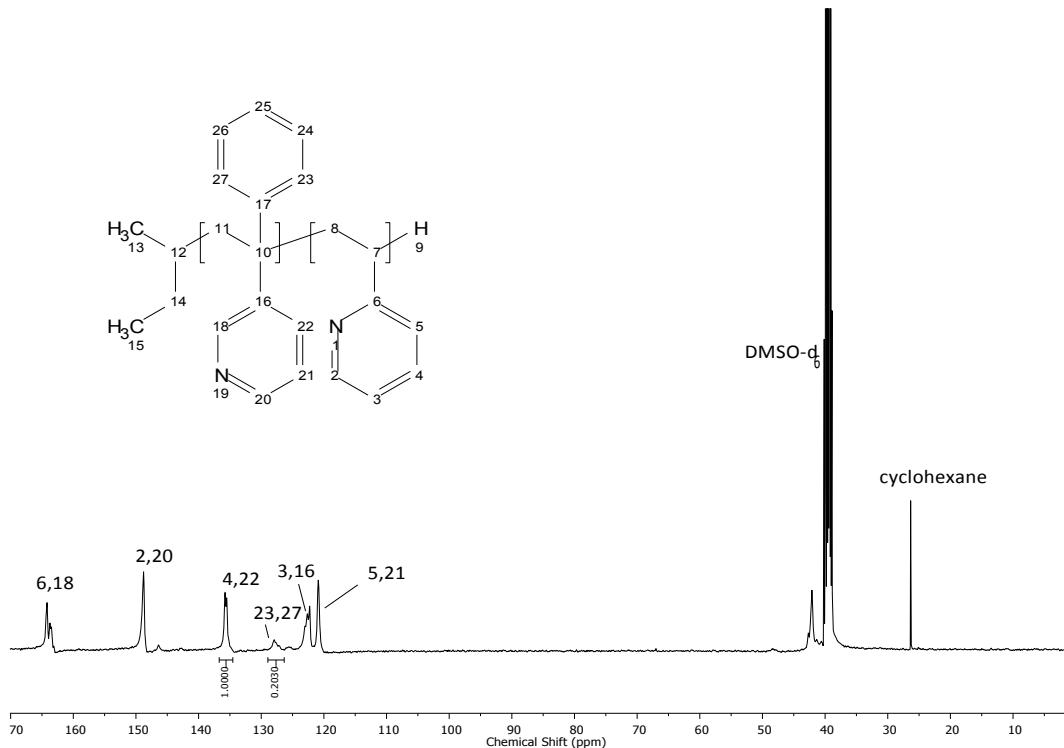


Figure S13: IG ^{13}C NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 10% *m*-PyPE.

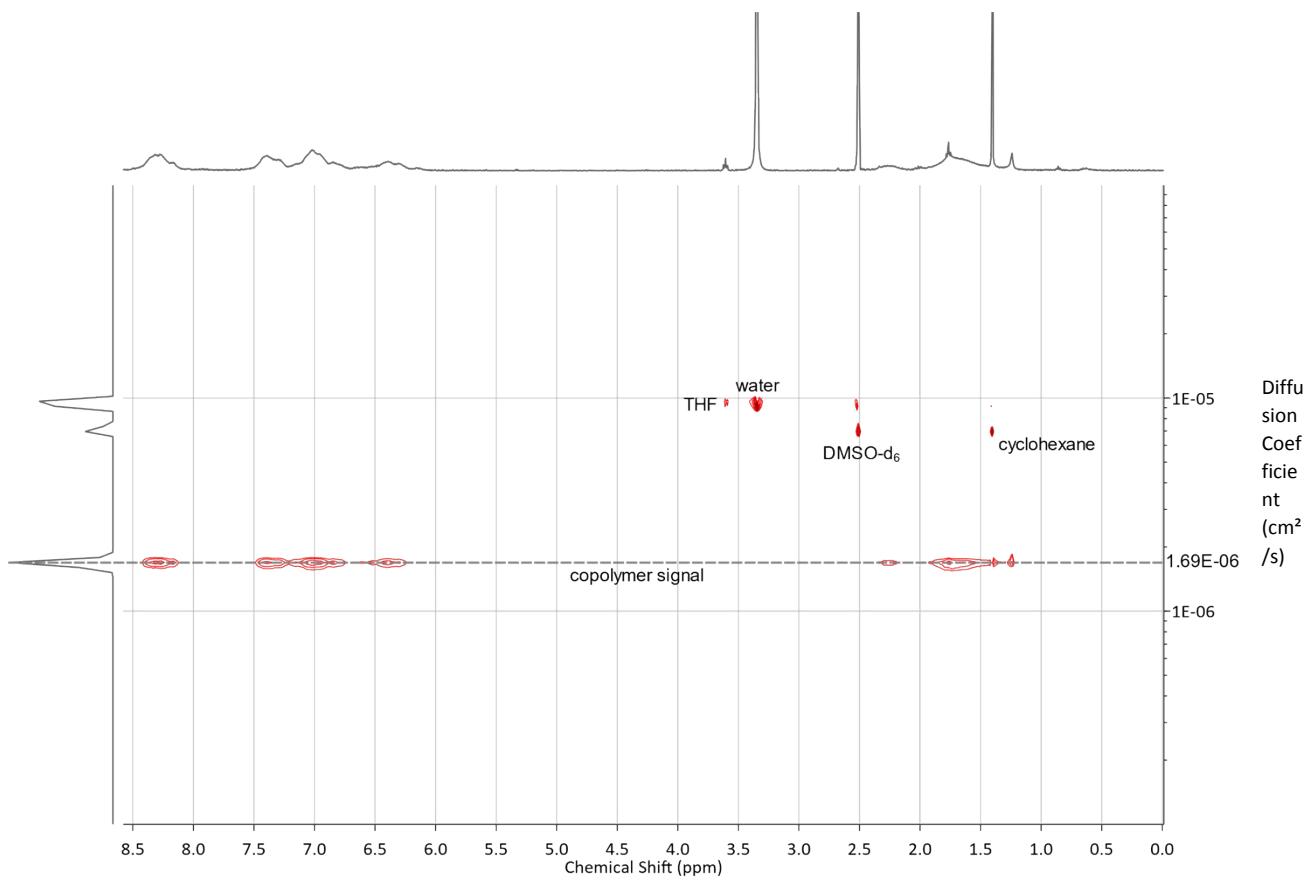


Figure S14: DOSY NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 10% *m*-PyPE.

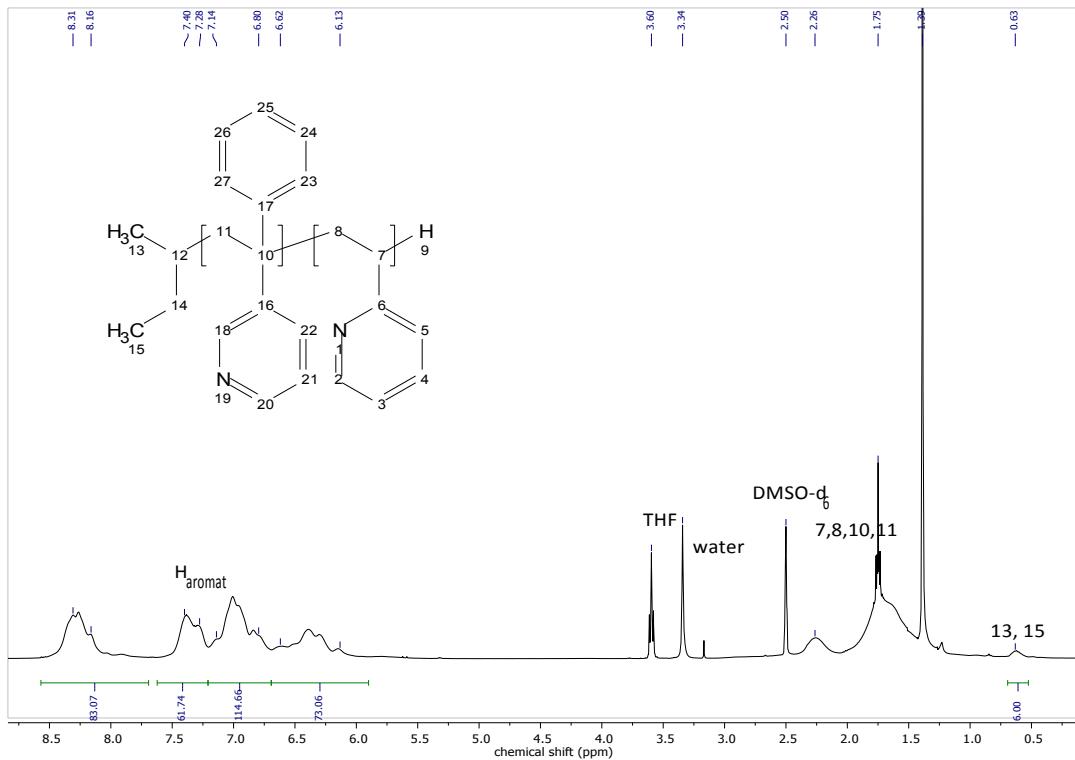


Figure S15: ^1H NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 15% *m*-PyPE.

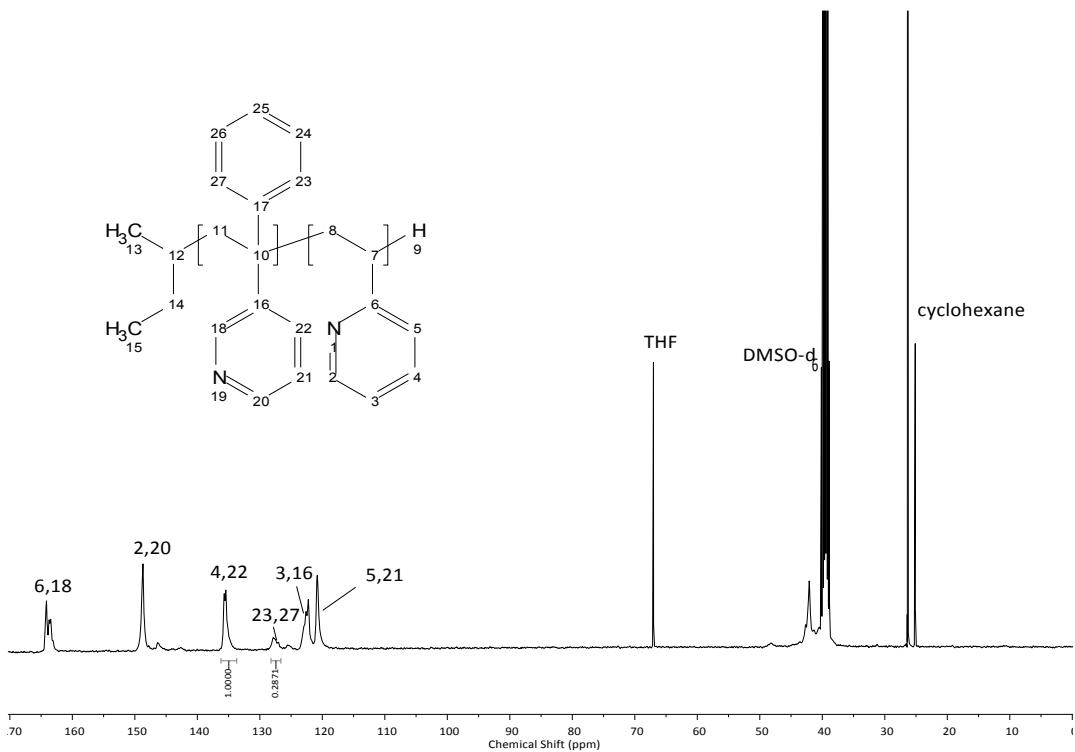


Figure S16: IG ^{13}C NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 15% *m*-PyPE.

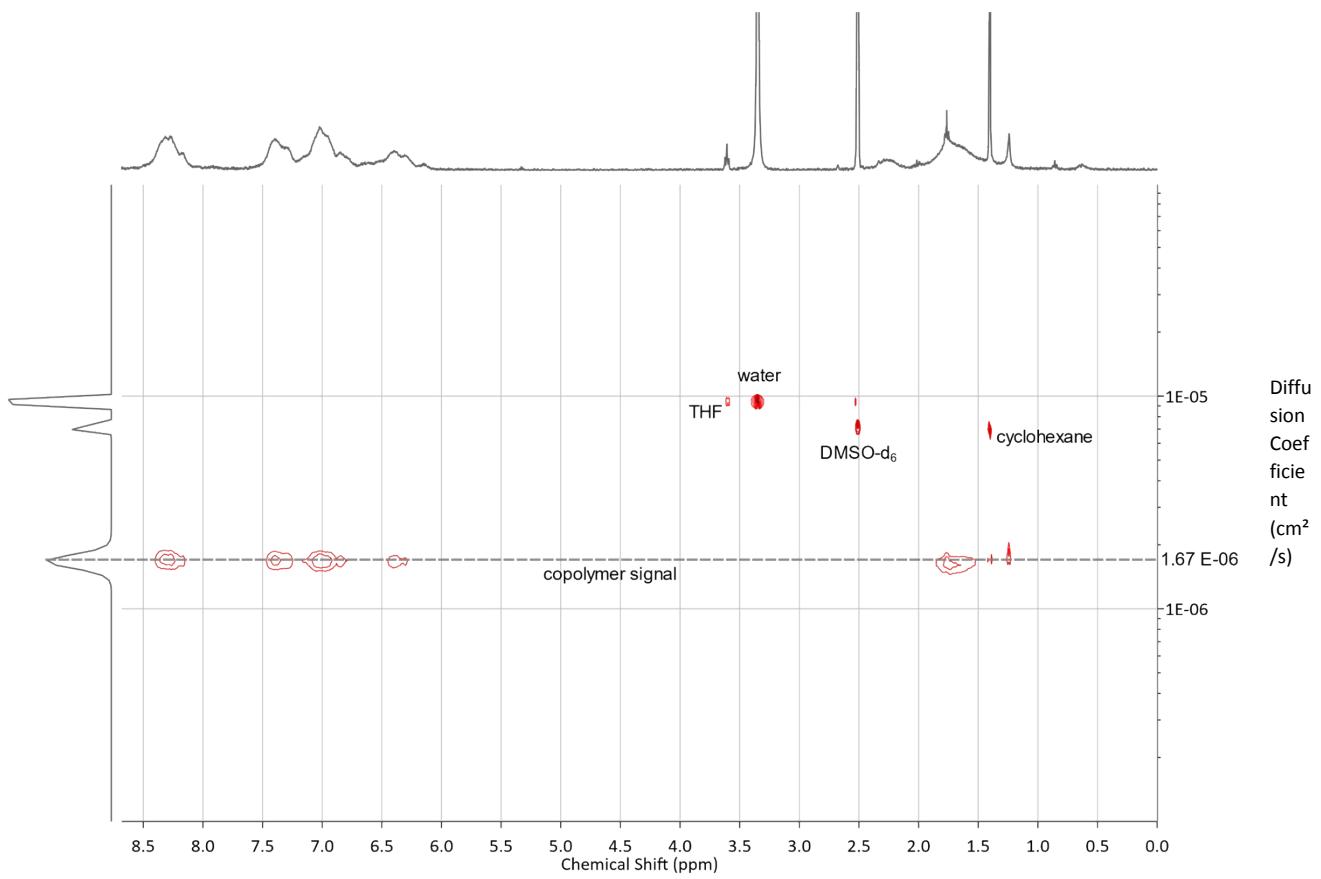


Figure S17: Figure S15: IG ^{13}C NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 15% *m*-PyPE.

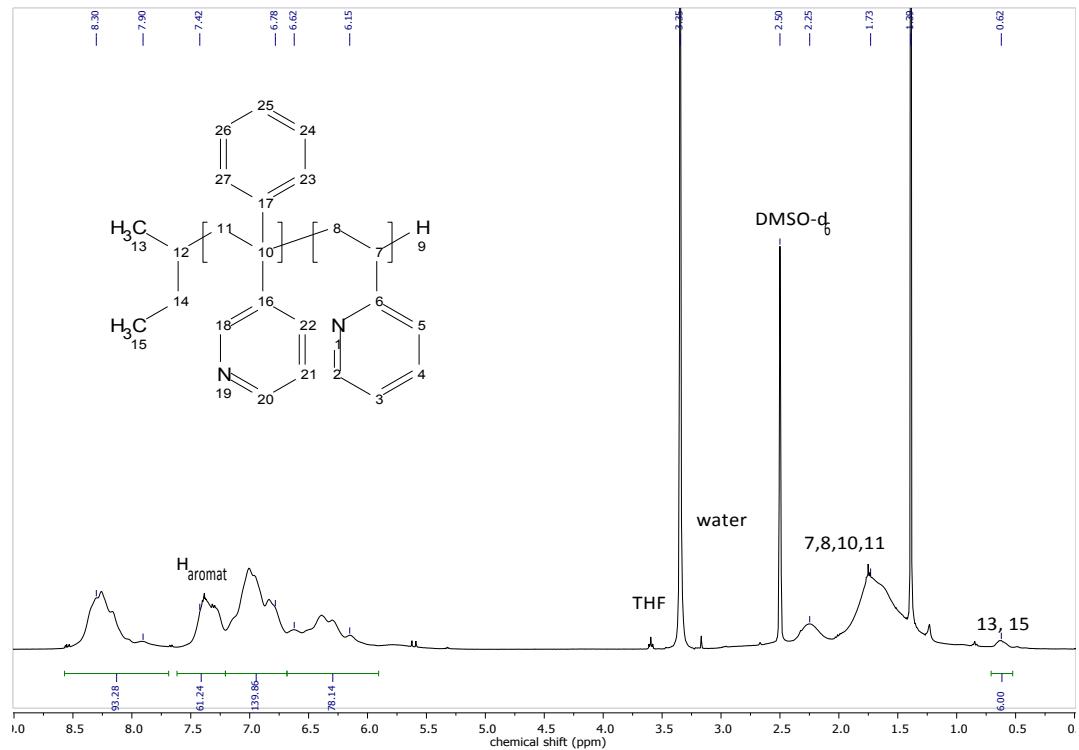


Figure S18: ^1H NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 20% *m*-PyPE.

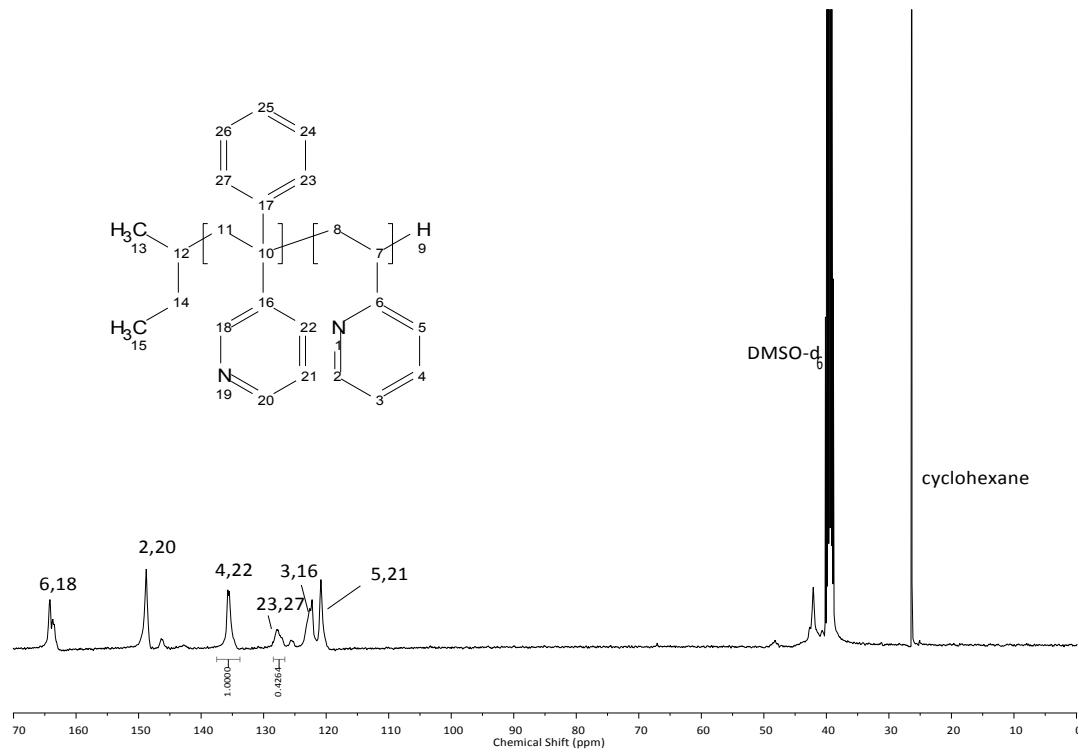
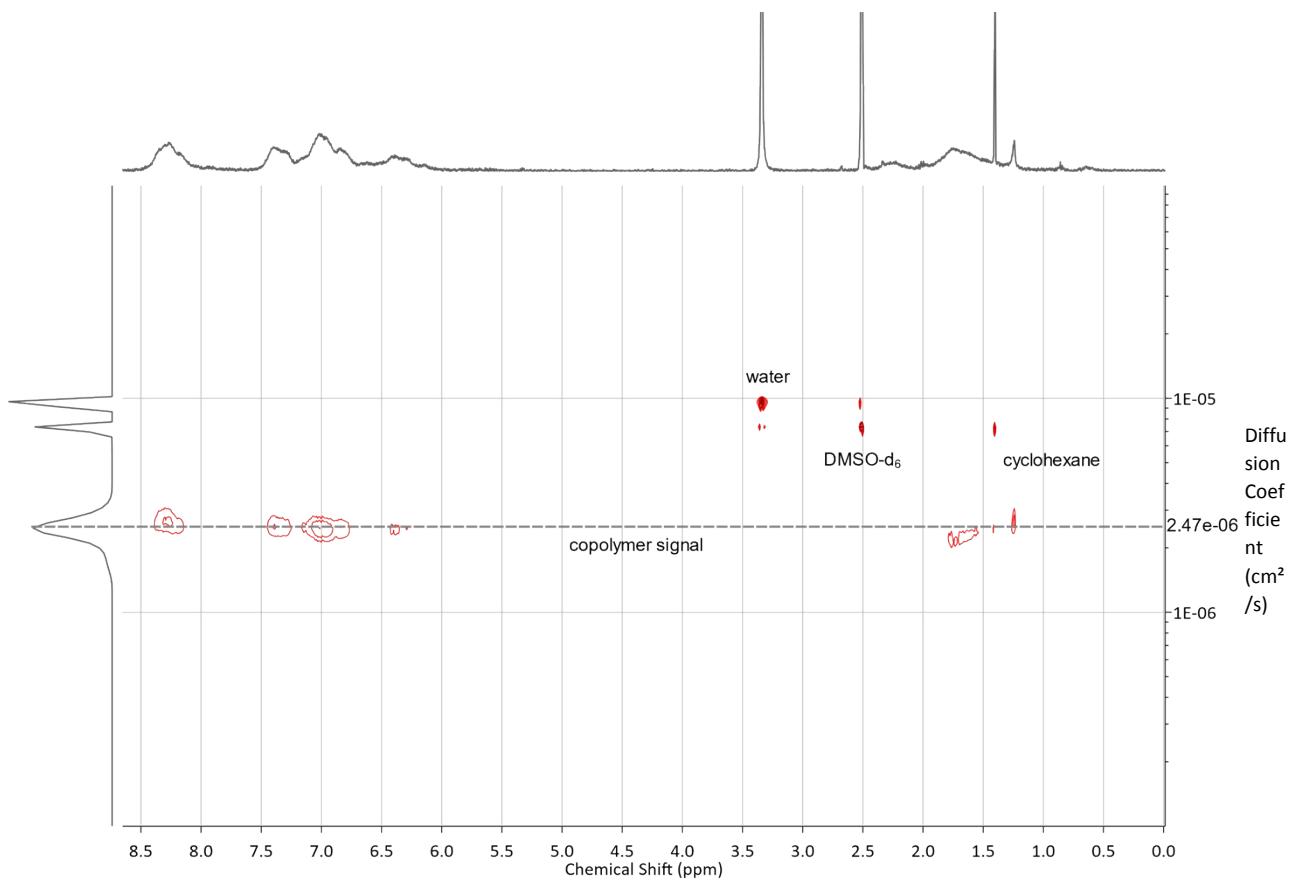


Figure S19: IG ^{13}C NMR spectrum (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 20% *m*-PyPE.



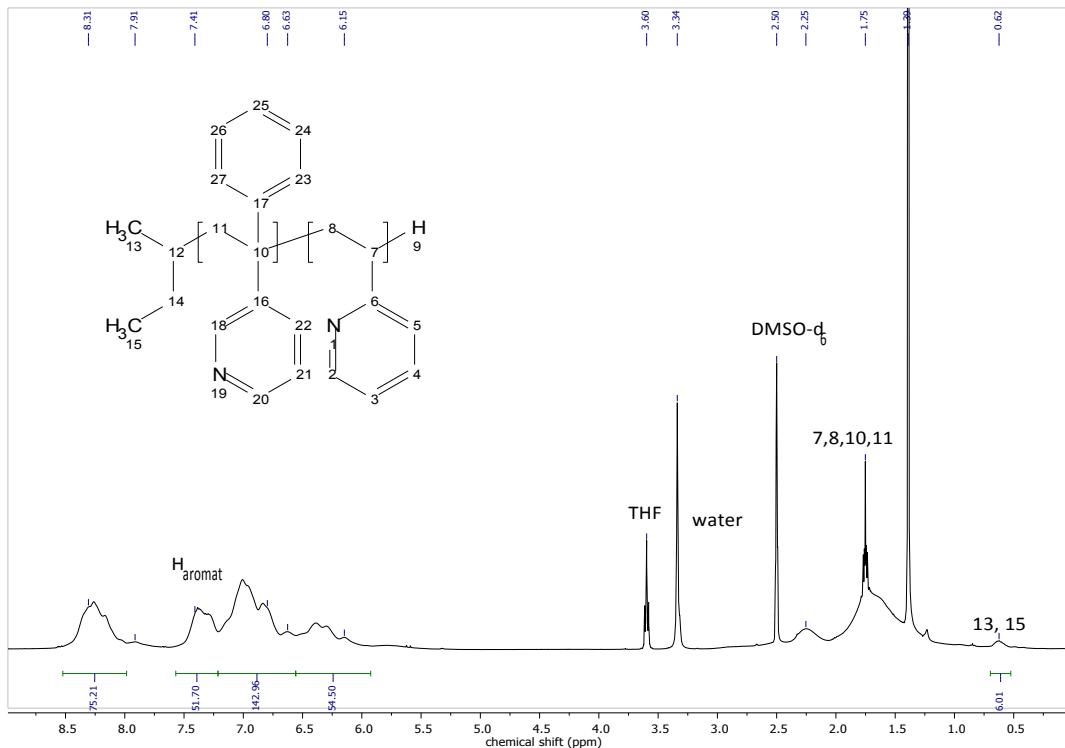


Figure S21: ^1H NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 25% m-PyPE.

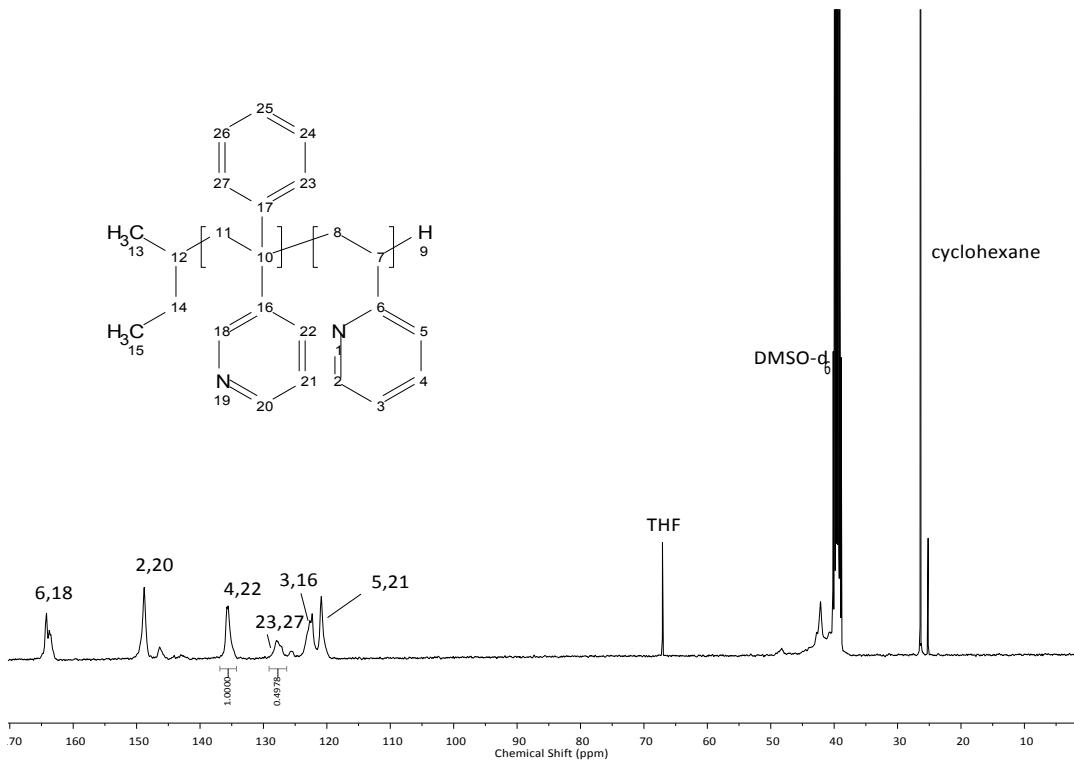


Figure S22: IG ^{13}C NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 25% m-PyPE.

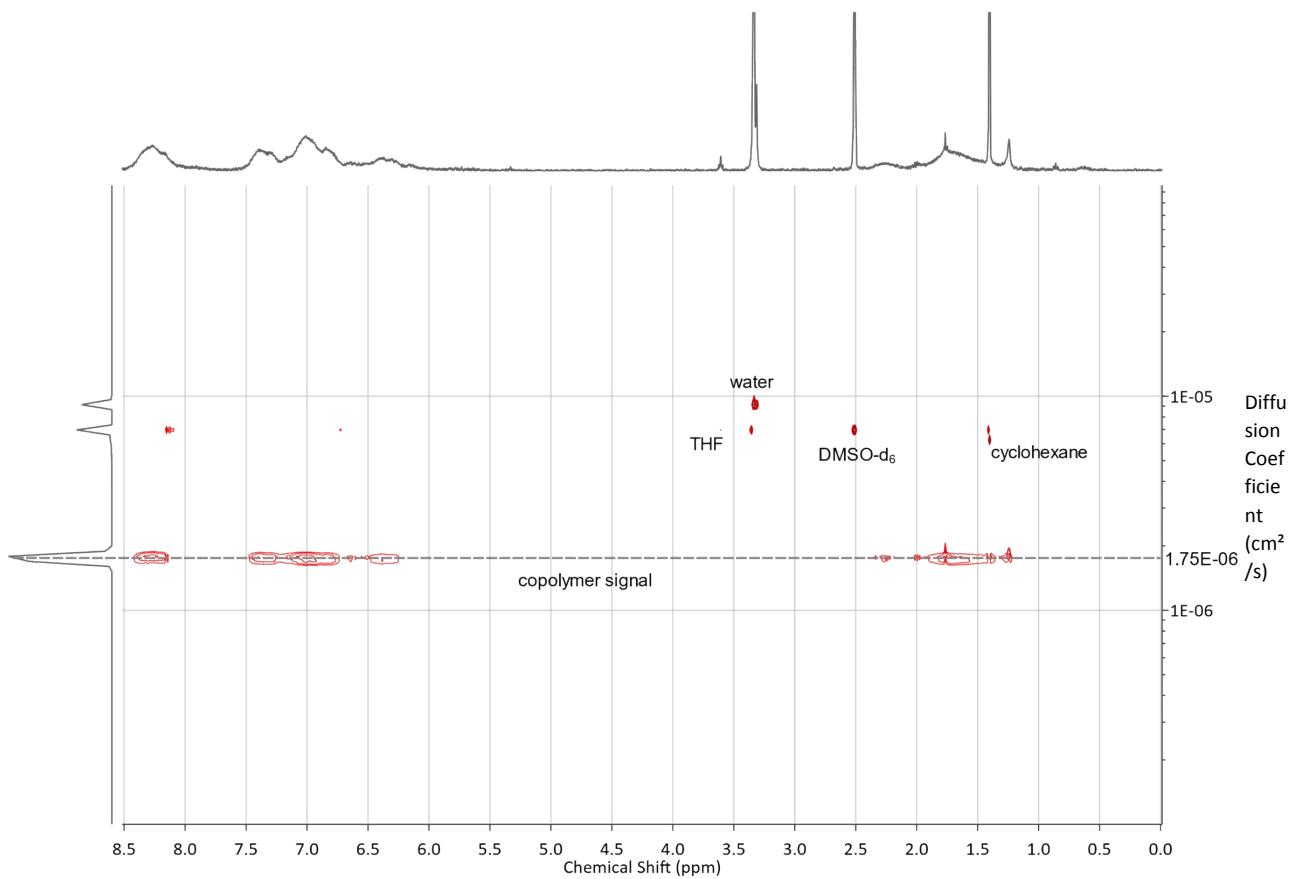


Figure S23: DOSY NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 400 MHz) of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 25% *m*-PyPE.

Calculation of the overall copolymer composition

To facilitate the comparability of the physical values, the content of mPyPE with respect to the overall composition of the copolymers was calculated from the IG ¹³C NMR spectra, in addition to the 2-VP/*m*-PyPE ratio. We used equation S1, where I(#) resembles the 2-VP signal, normalized to 1, and I(*) represents the respective *m*-PyPE signal of the polymers.

$$\text{mol\%m}\square\text{PyPE}_{\text{calcb}} = \frac{0.5 \cdot I(*)}{I(#) + 0.5 \cdot I(*)} = \frac{0.5 \cdot I(*)}{1 + 0.5 \cdot I(*)} \quad (\text{S1})$$

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

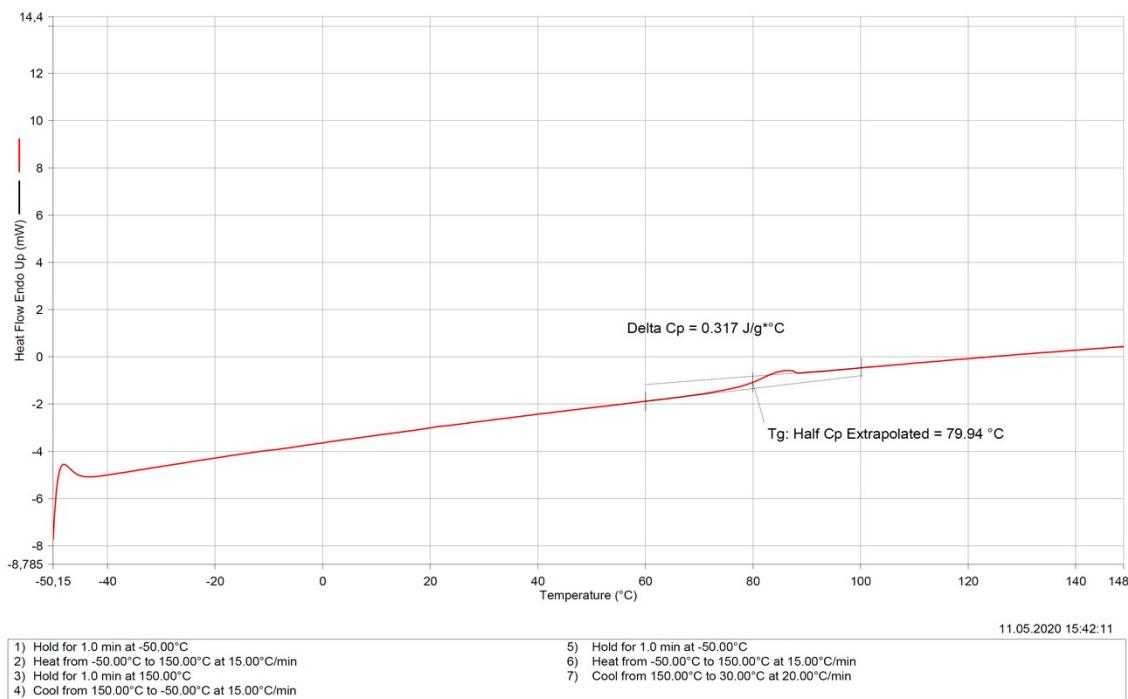


Figure S24: DSC curve of P(2-VP).

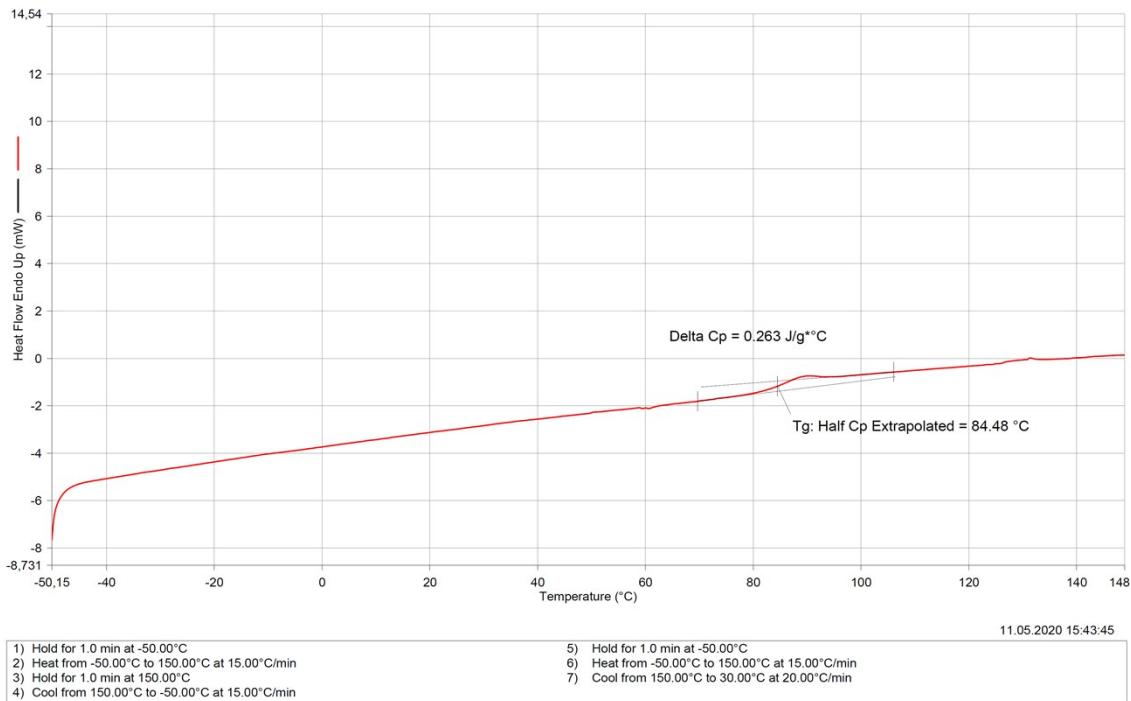


Figure S25: DSC curve of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 5% m-PyPE.

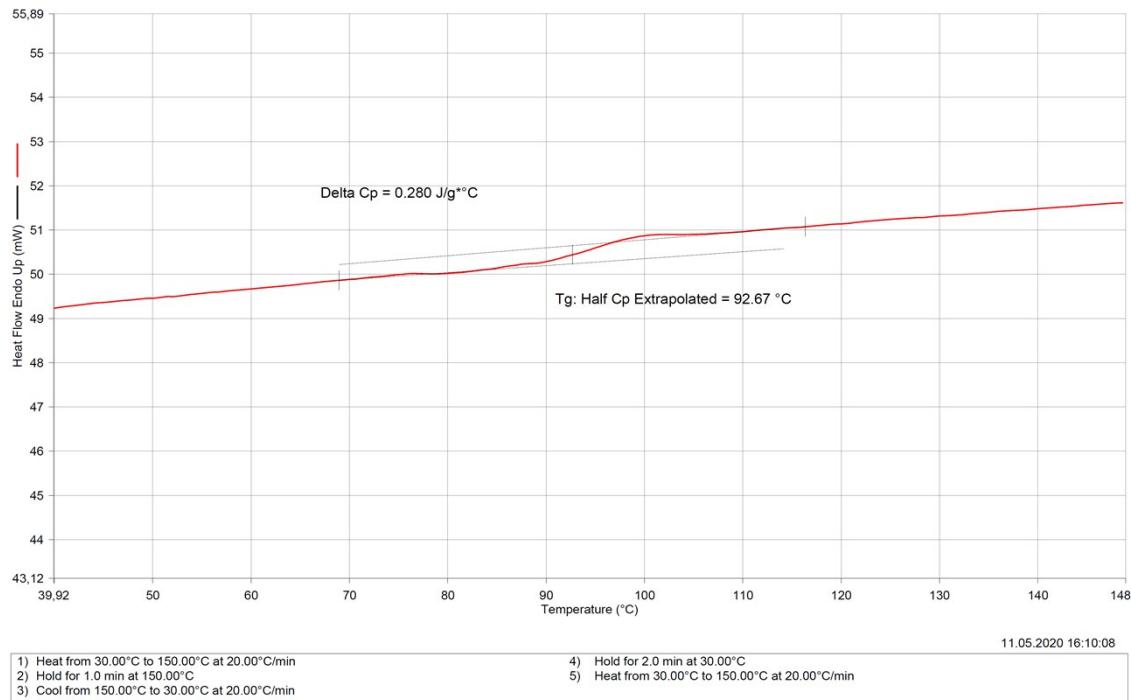


Figure S26: DSC curve of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 10% m-PyPE.

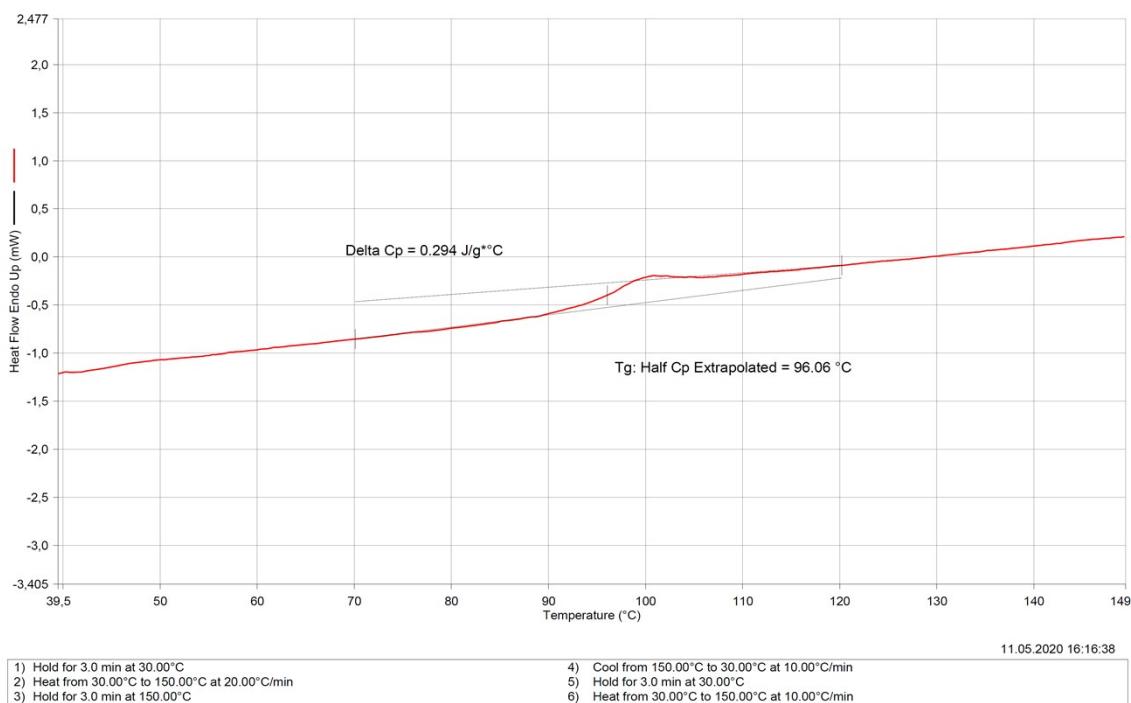


Figure S27: DSC curve of P(2-VP-stat-m-PyPE); 15% m-PyPE.

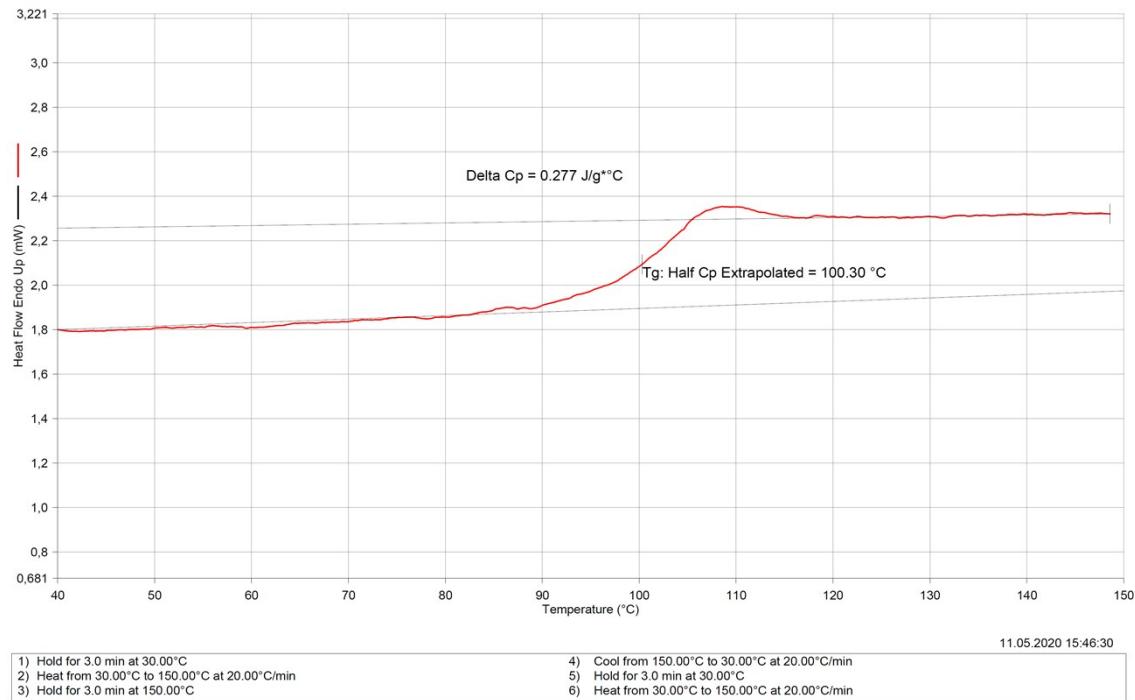


Figure S28: DSC curve of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 20% *m*-PyPE.

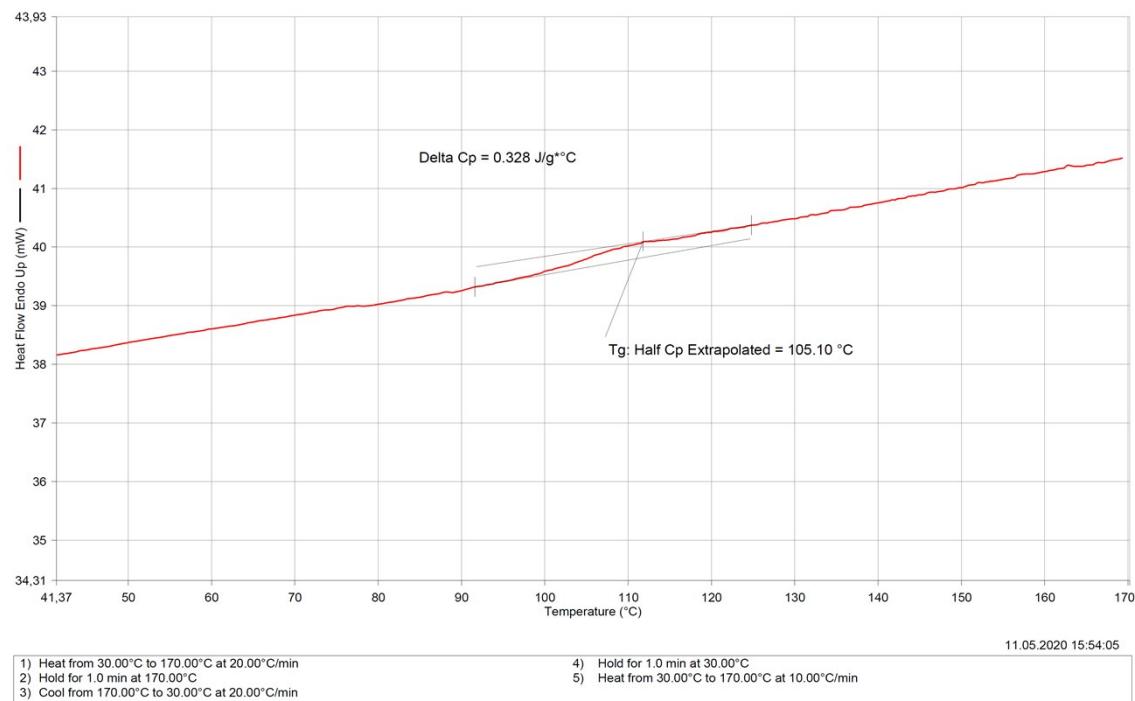


Figure S29: DSC curve of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 25% *m*-PyPE.

Contact angle measurements

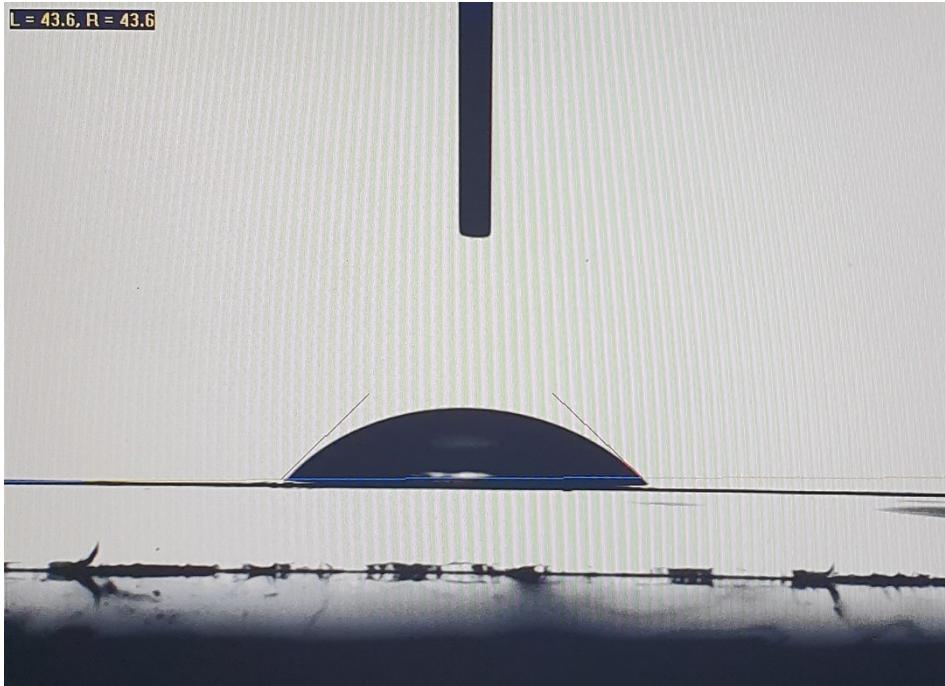


Figure S30: Exemplary contact angle of P(2-VP).

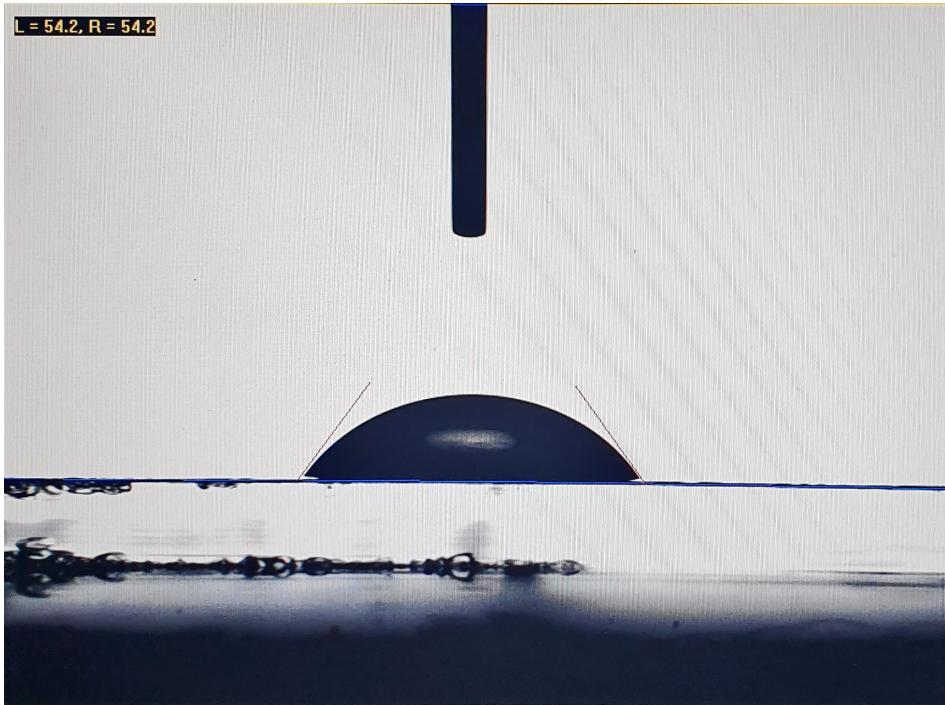


Figure S31: Exemplary contact angle of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 5% *m*-PyPE.

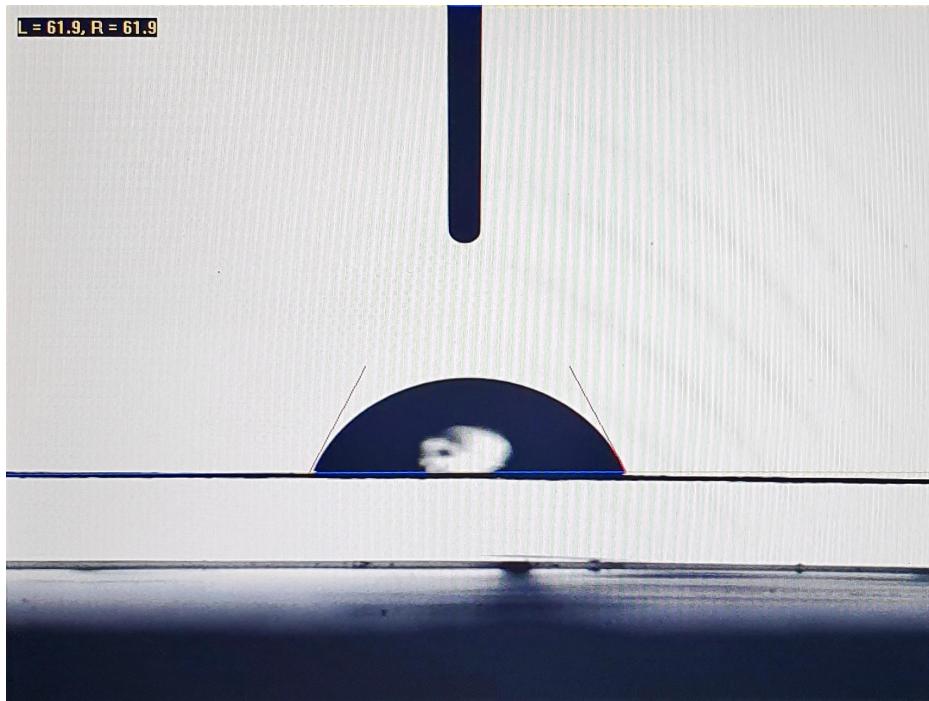


Figure S32: Exemplary contact angle of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 10% *m*-PyPE.

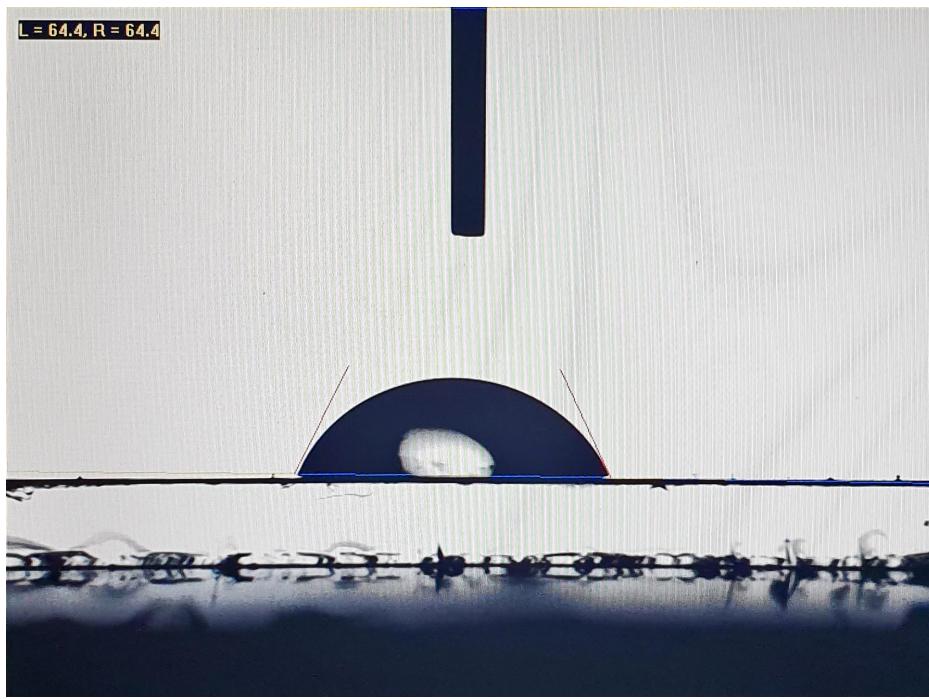


Figure S33: Exemplary contact angle of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 15% *m*-PyPE.

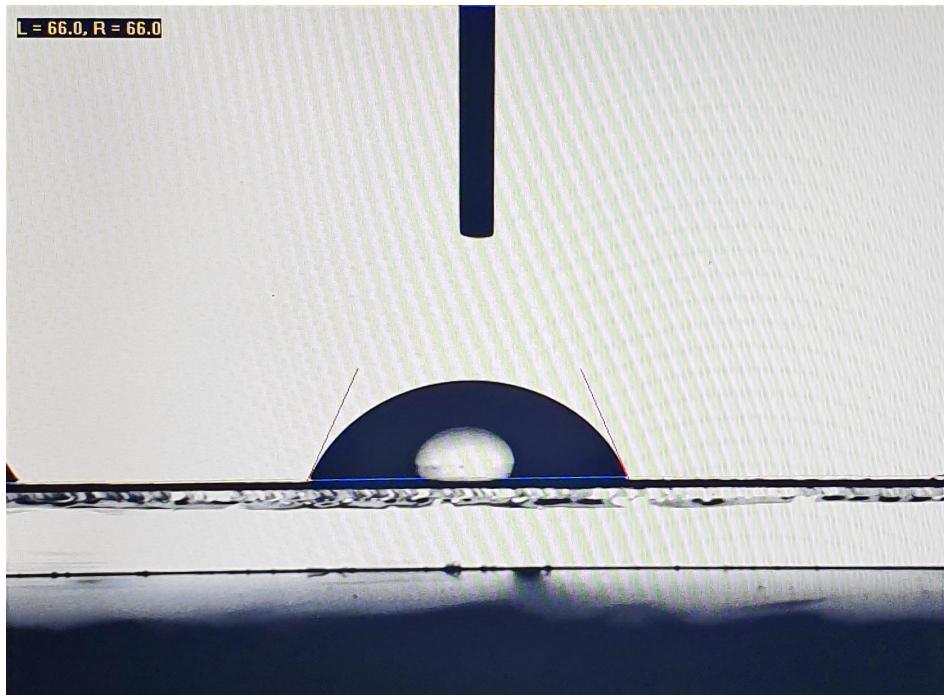


Figure S34: Exemplary contact angle of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 20% *m*-PyPE.

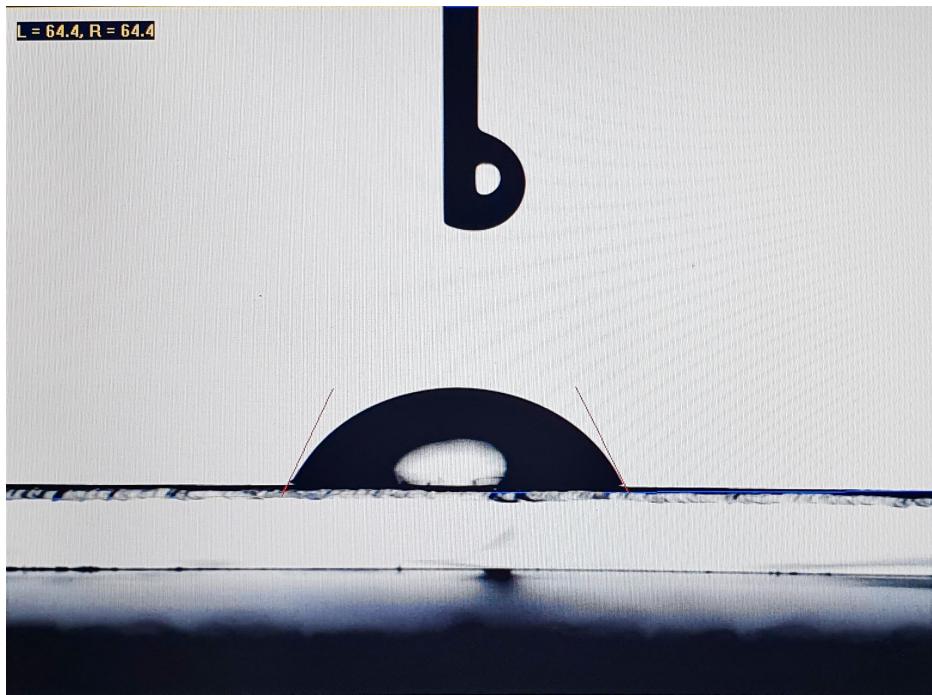


Figure S35: Exemplary contact angle of P(2-VP-stat-*m*-PyPE); 25% *m*-PyPE.

Table S1: Overview of all measured contact angles and the resulting average.

% <i>m</i> -PyPE	M1 / °	M2 / °	M3 / °	M4 / °	M5 / °	M6 / °	CA/ °
0	45.3	45.2	41	41.1	43.6	50.3	44.4 ± 3.1
5	57	54.4	54.2	49.6	-	-	53.8 ± 2.7
10	63.2	61.9	60	61.2	62.1	-	61.7 ± 1.1
15	60.7	66.1	64.5	63.6	64.4	-	63.9 ± 1.8
20	66.9	63.3	65.6	67.4	66	63.5	65.5 ± 1.6
25	63.5	64.3	64.8	63.2	64.4	61.8	63.7 ± 1.0