

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### **Aluminum-catalyzed statistical copolymerization of mono-, tri- and penta-fluorophenyl glycidyl ether with ethylene oxide and epichlorohydrin**

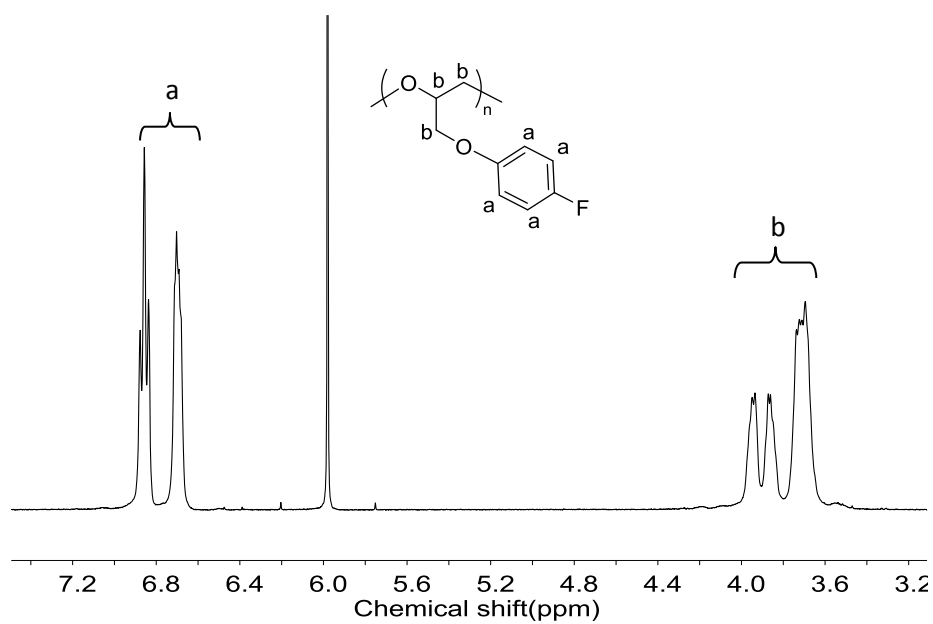
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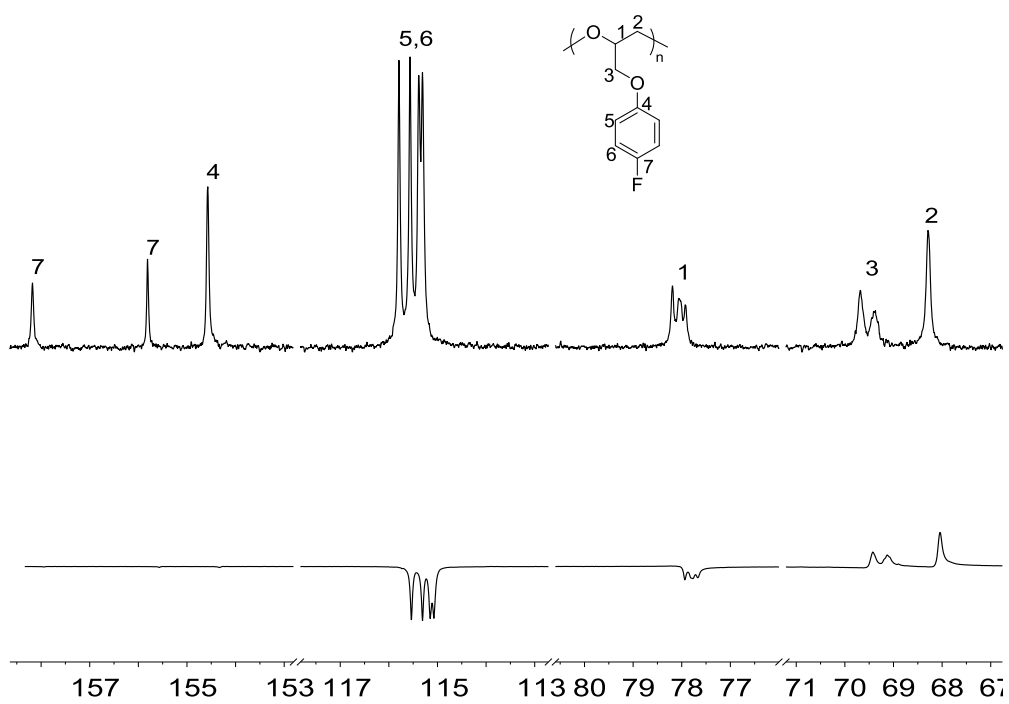
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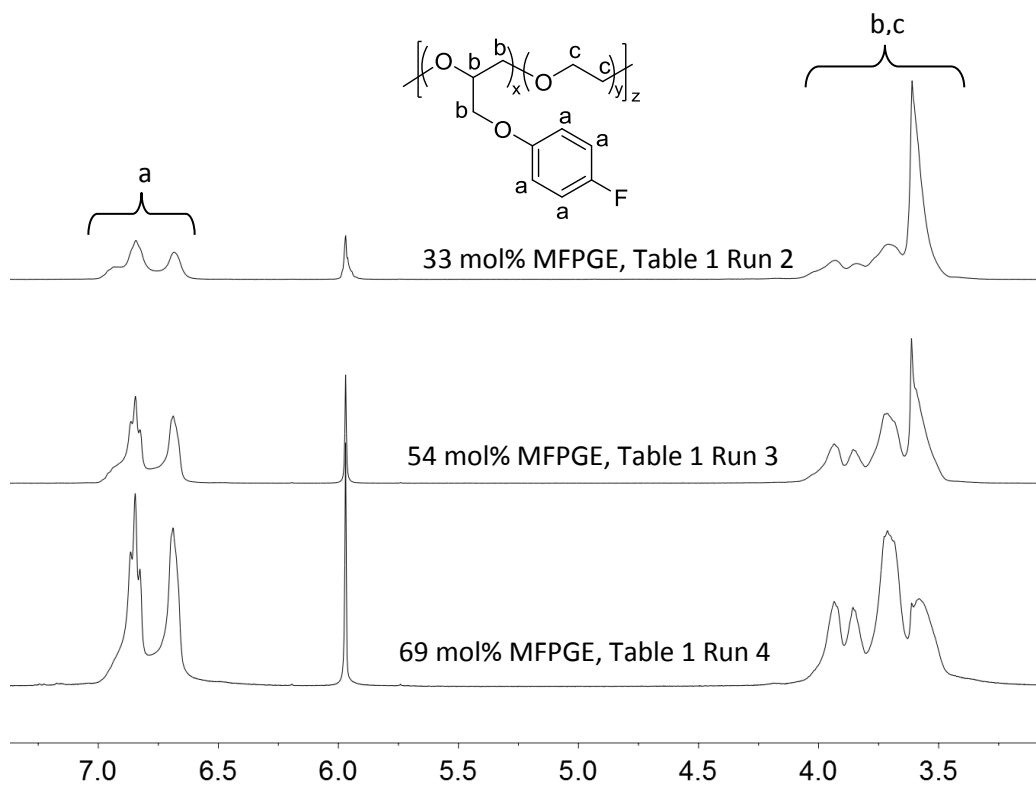
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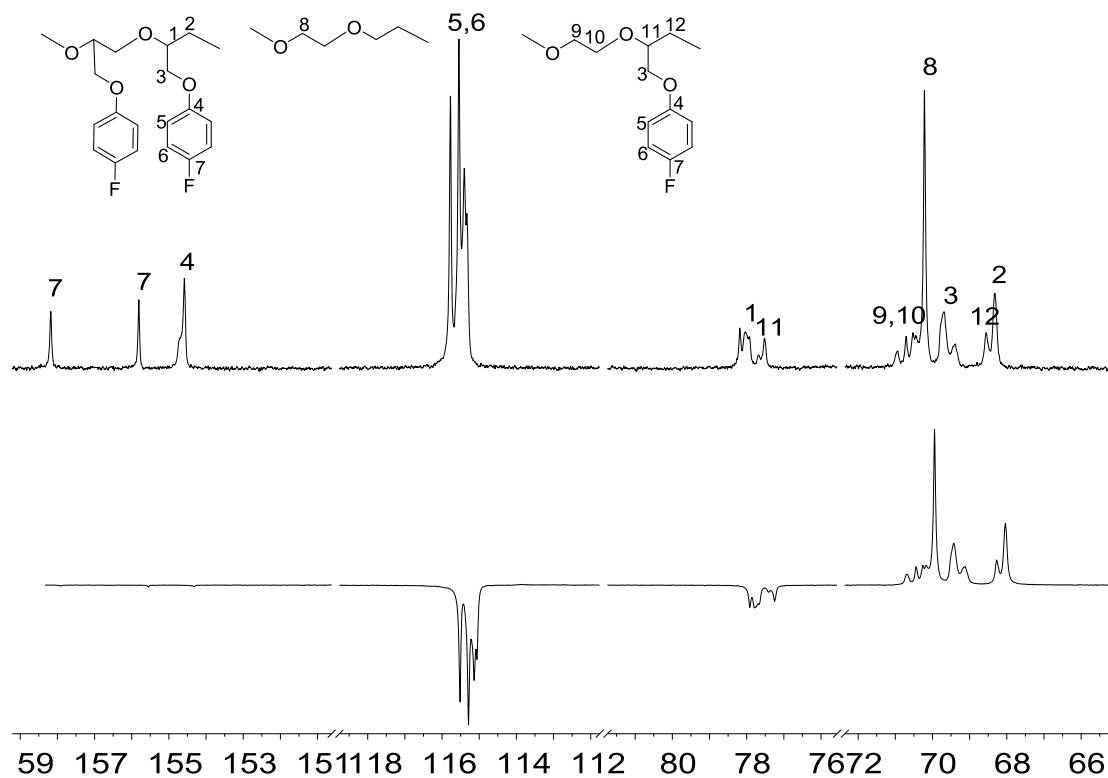
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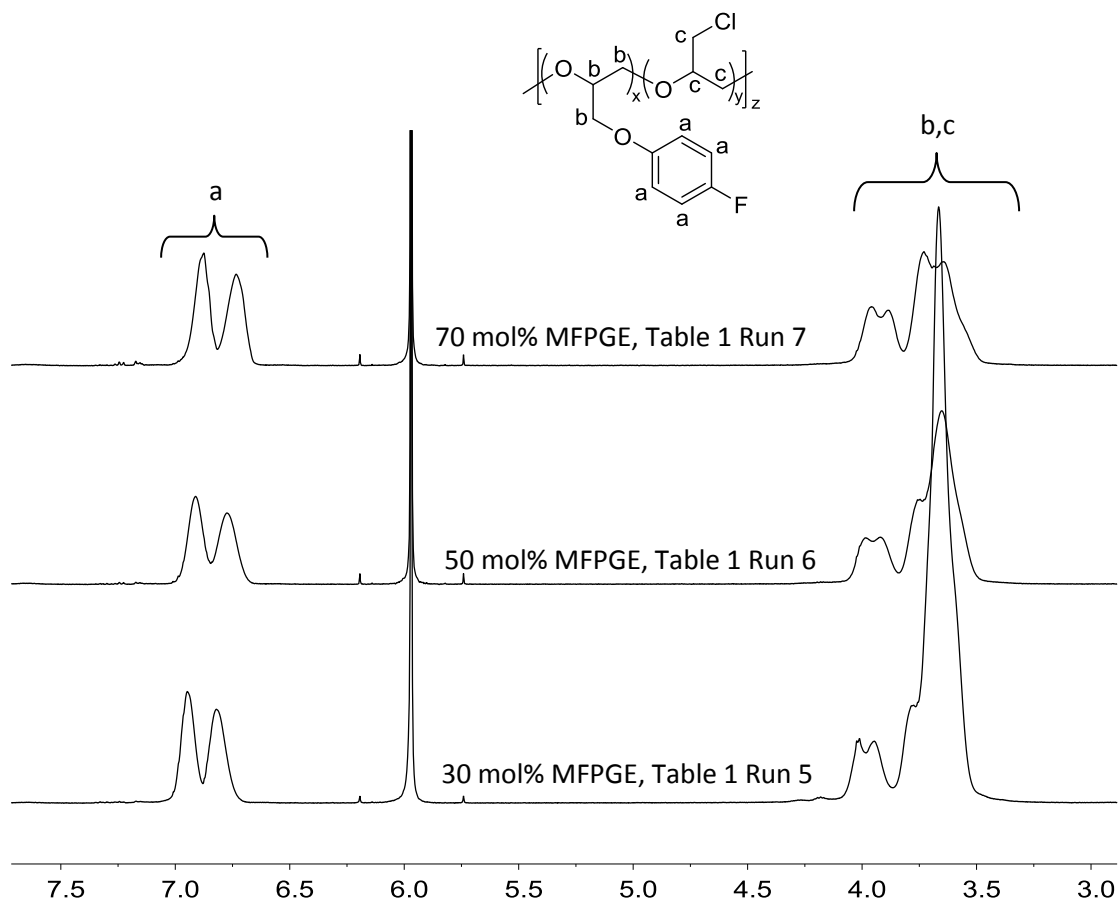


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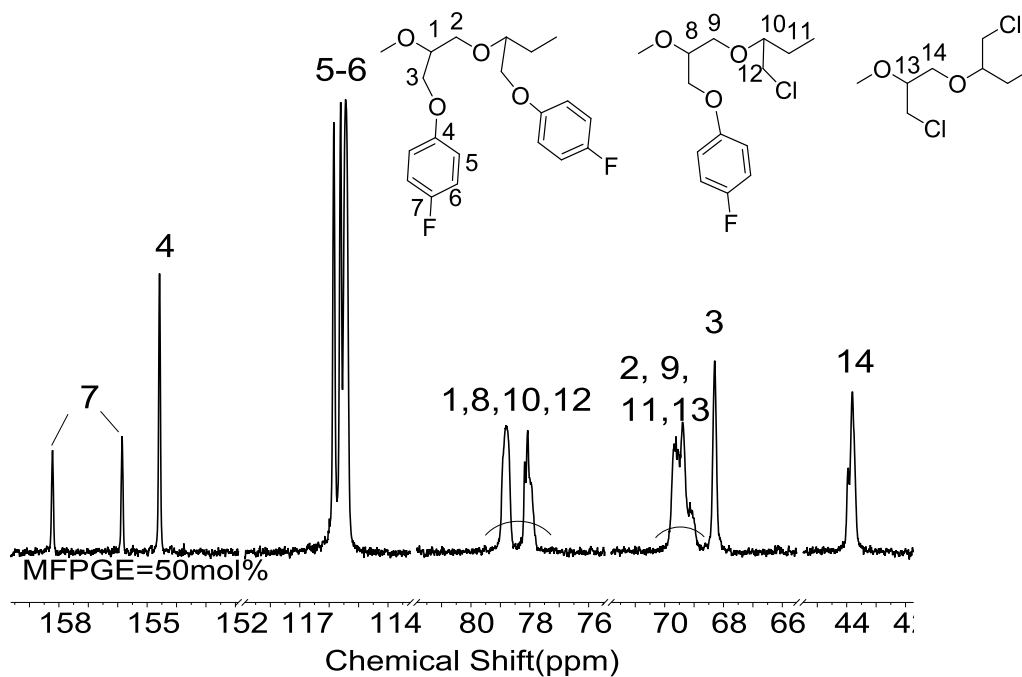


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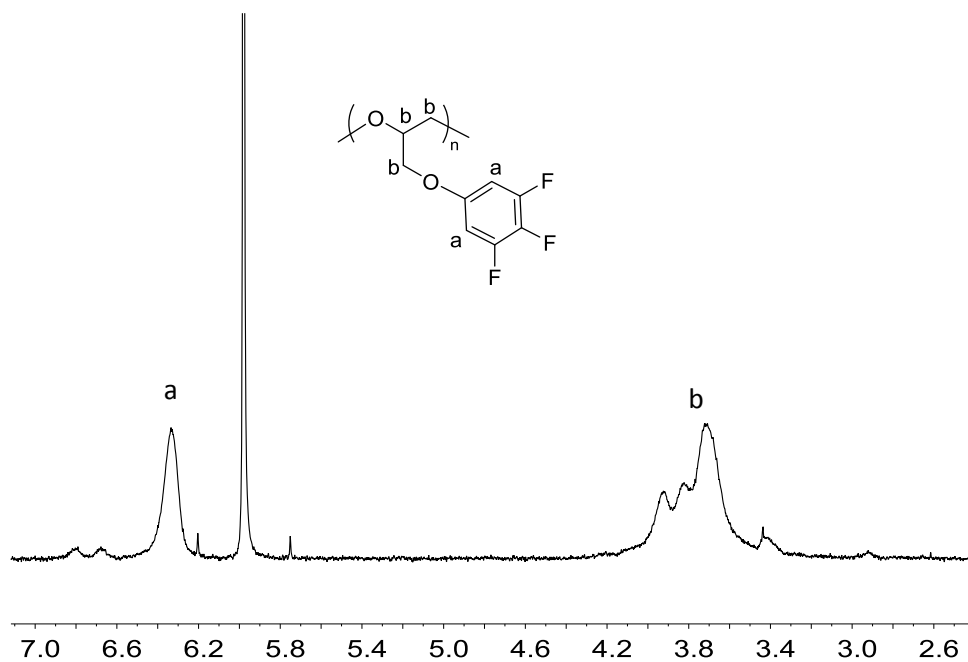


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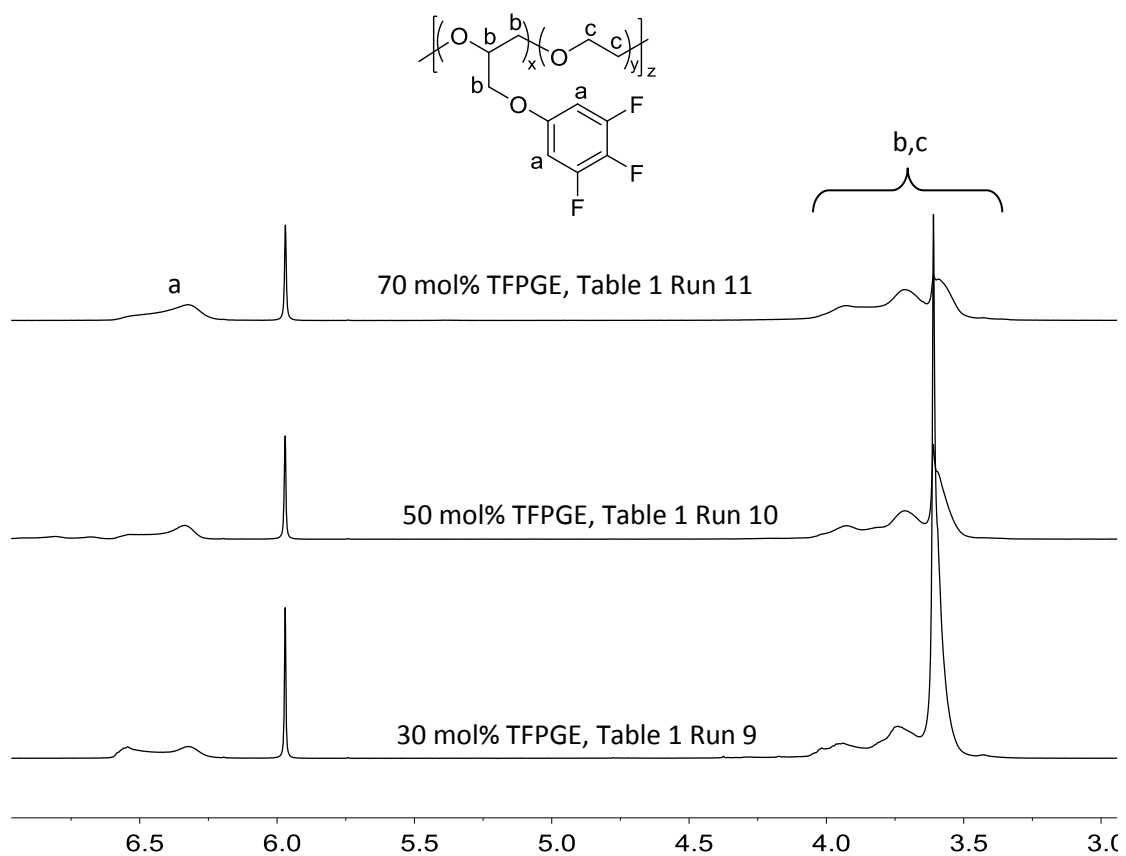
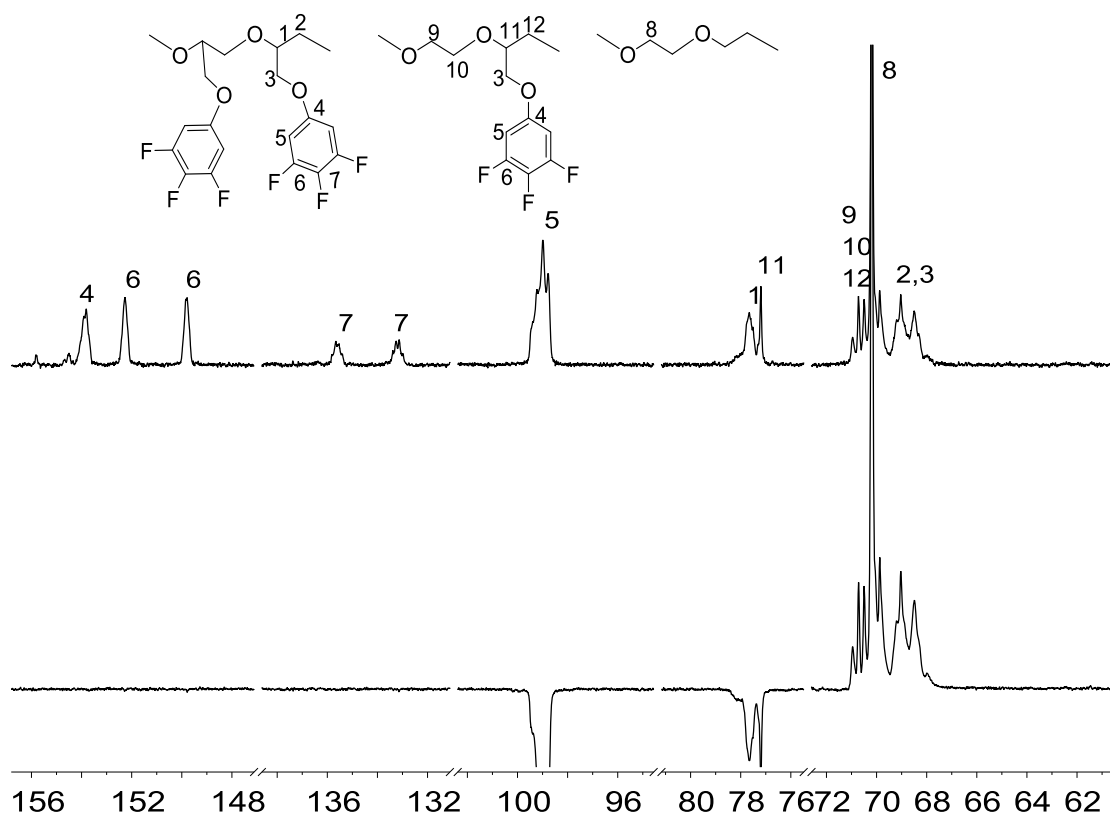
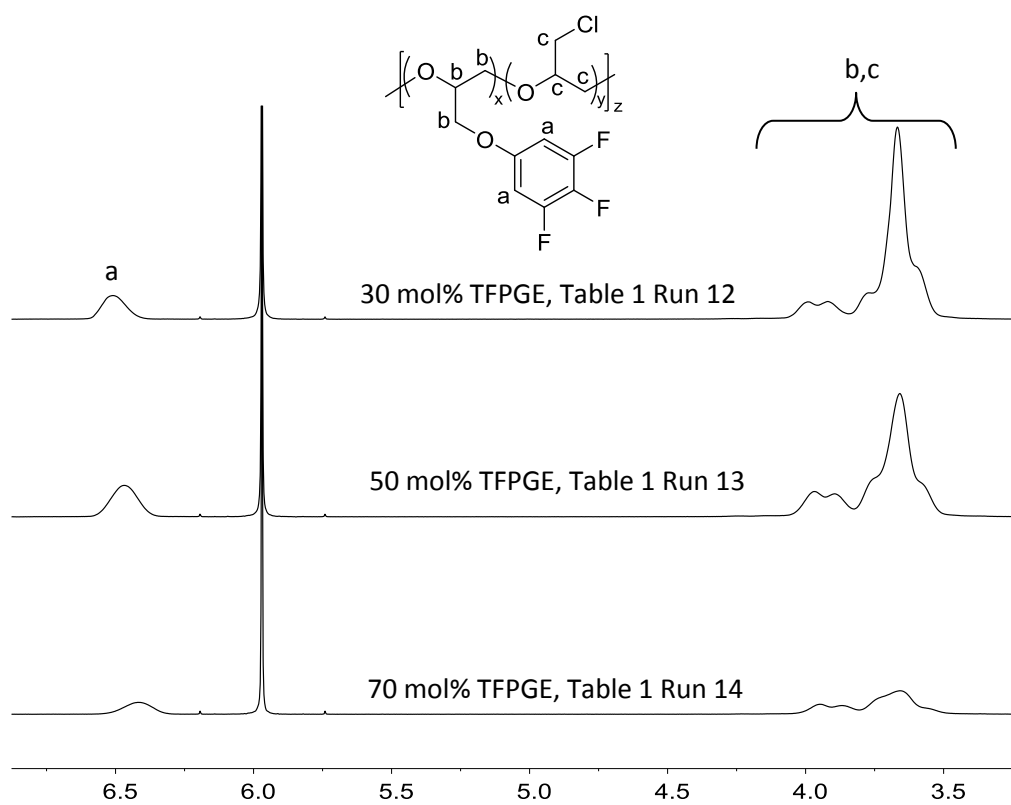


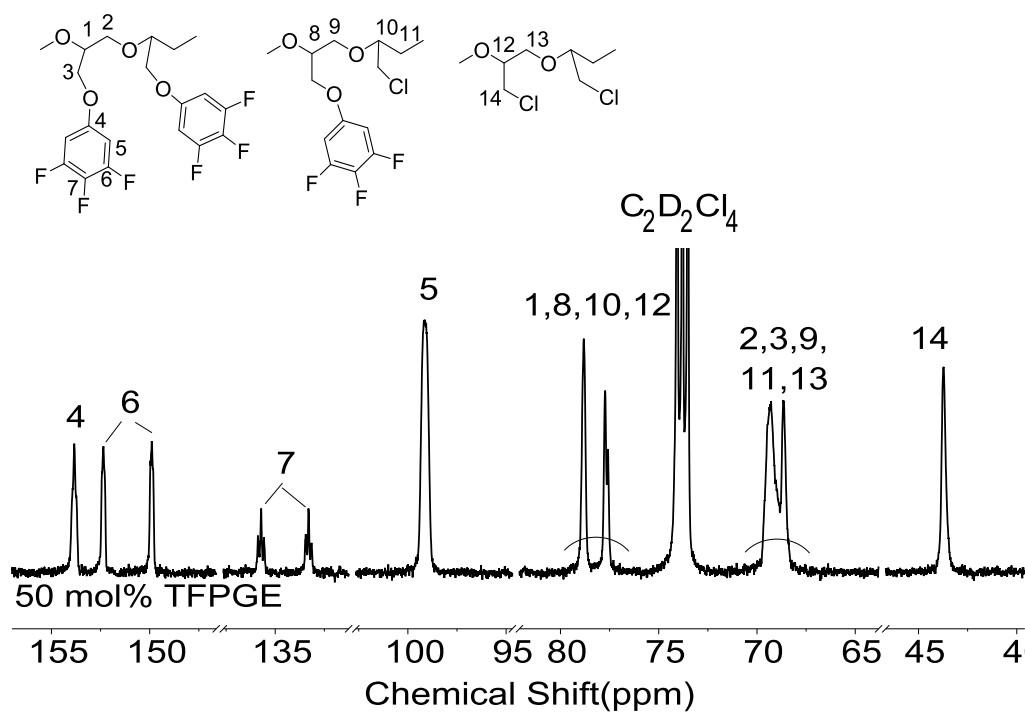
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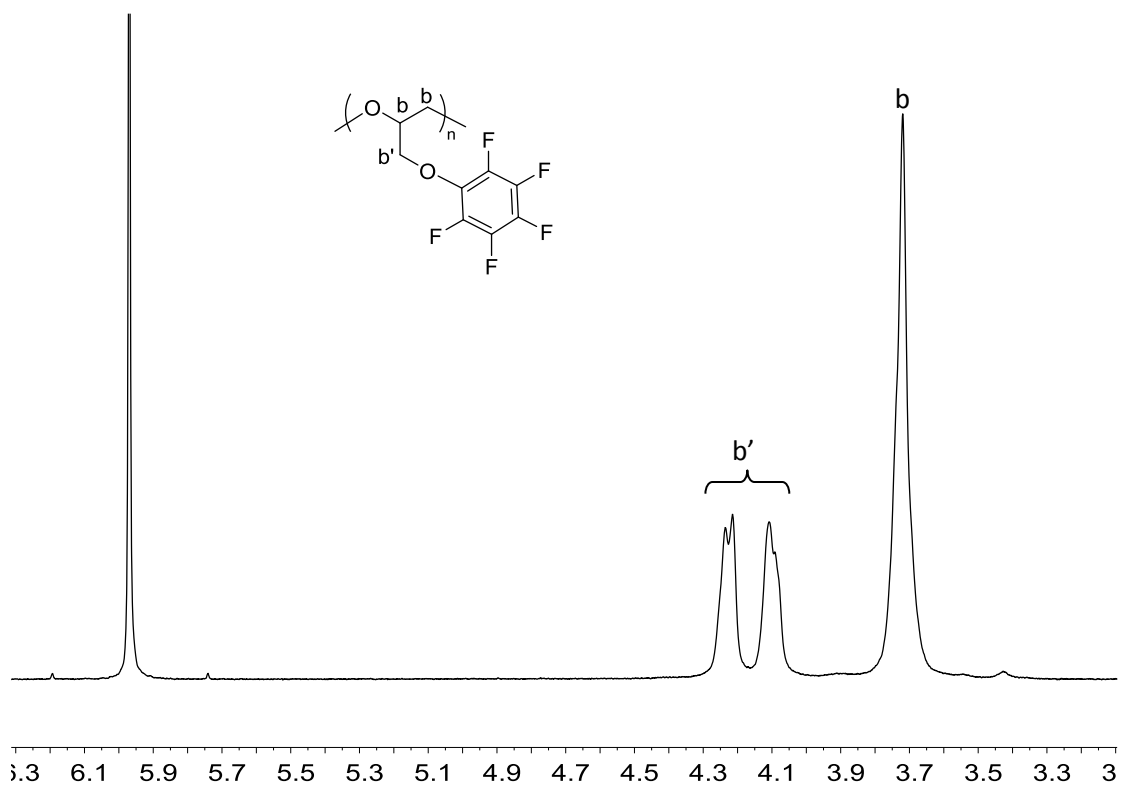
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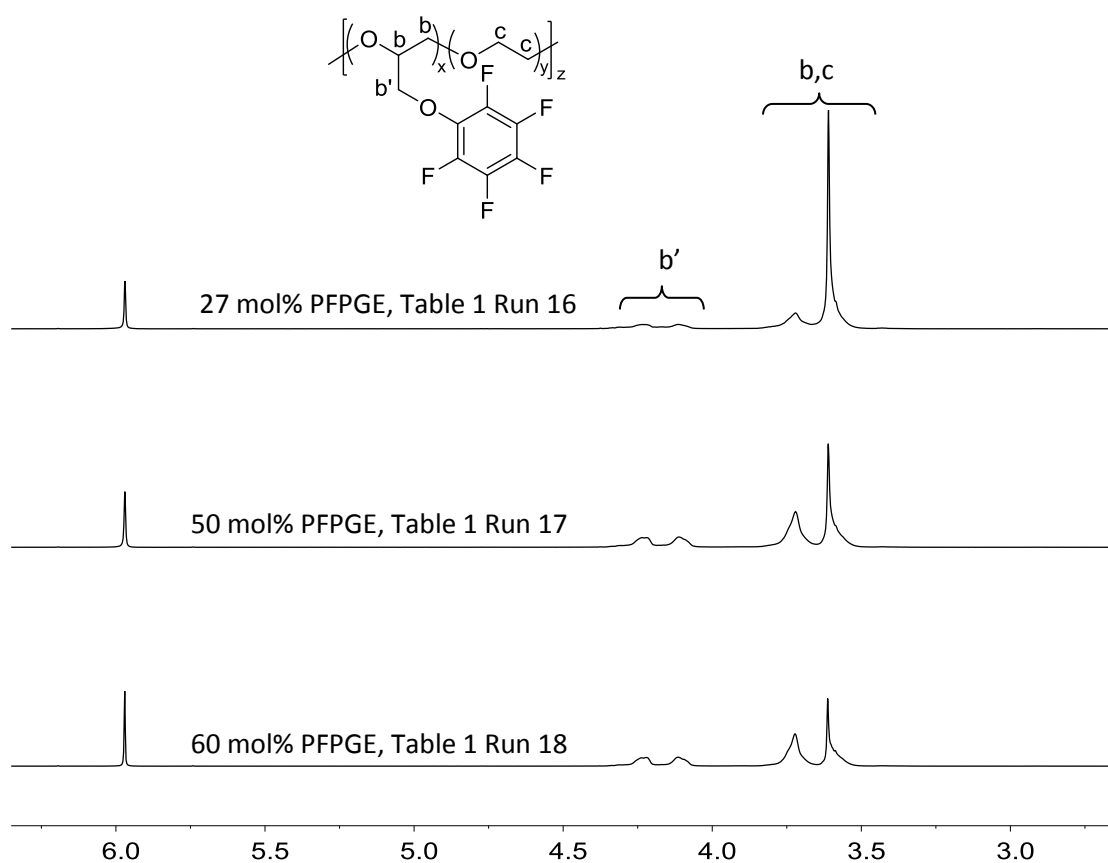


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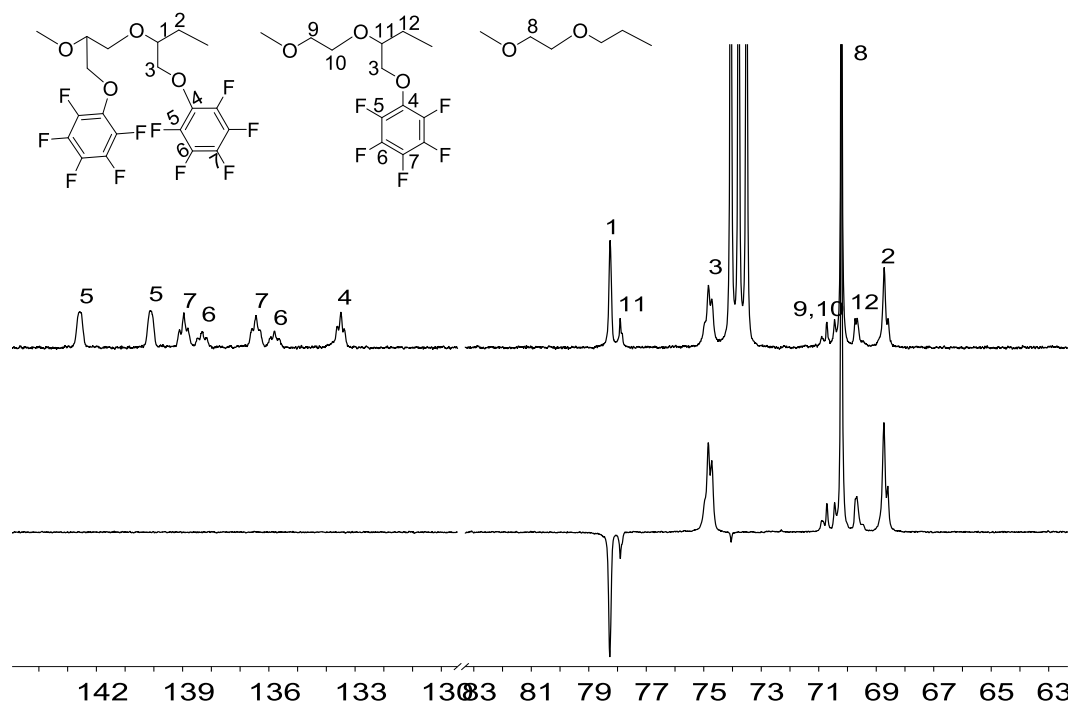


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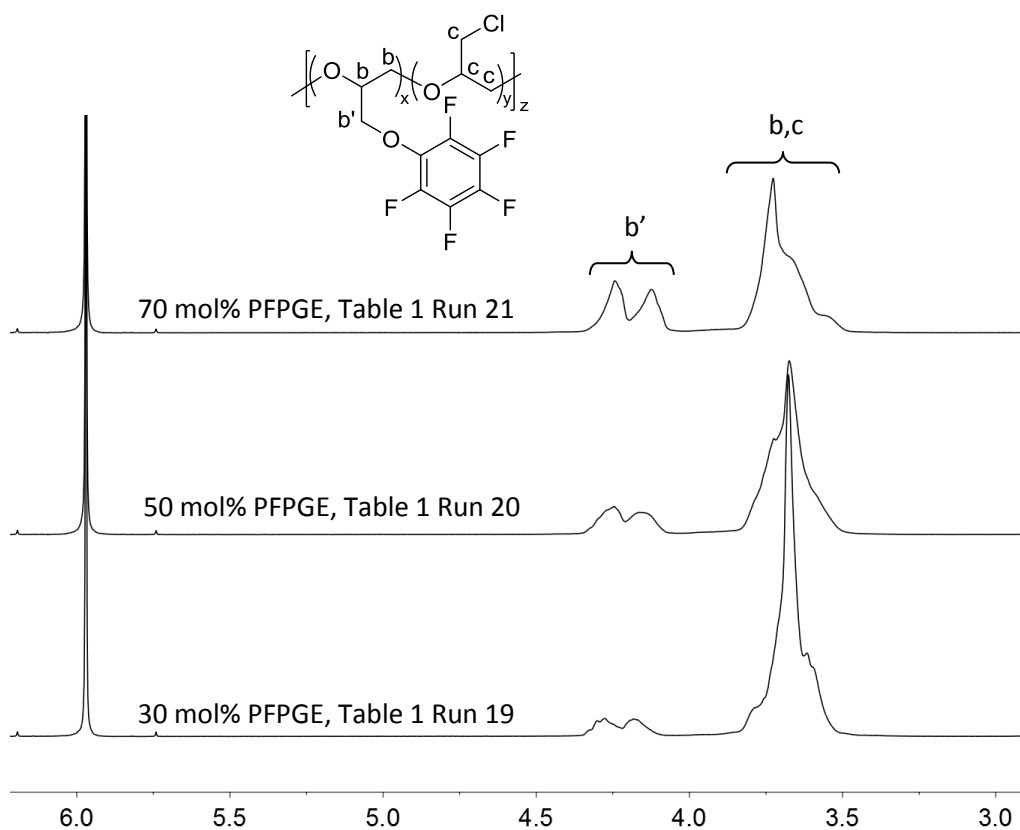




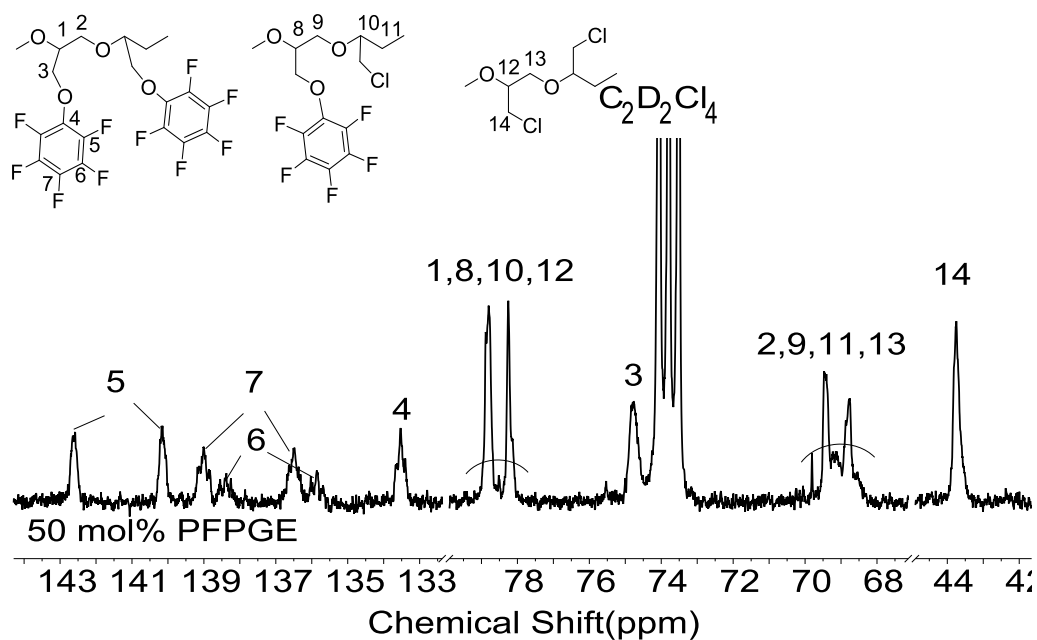
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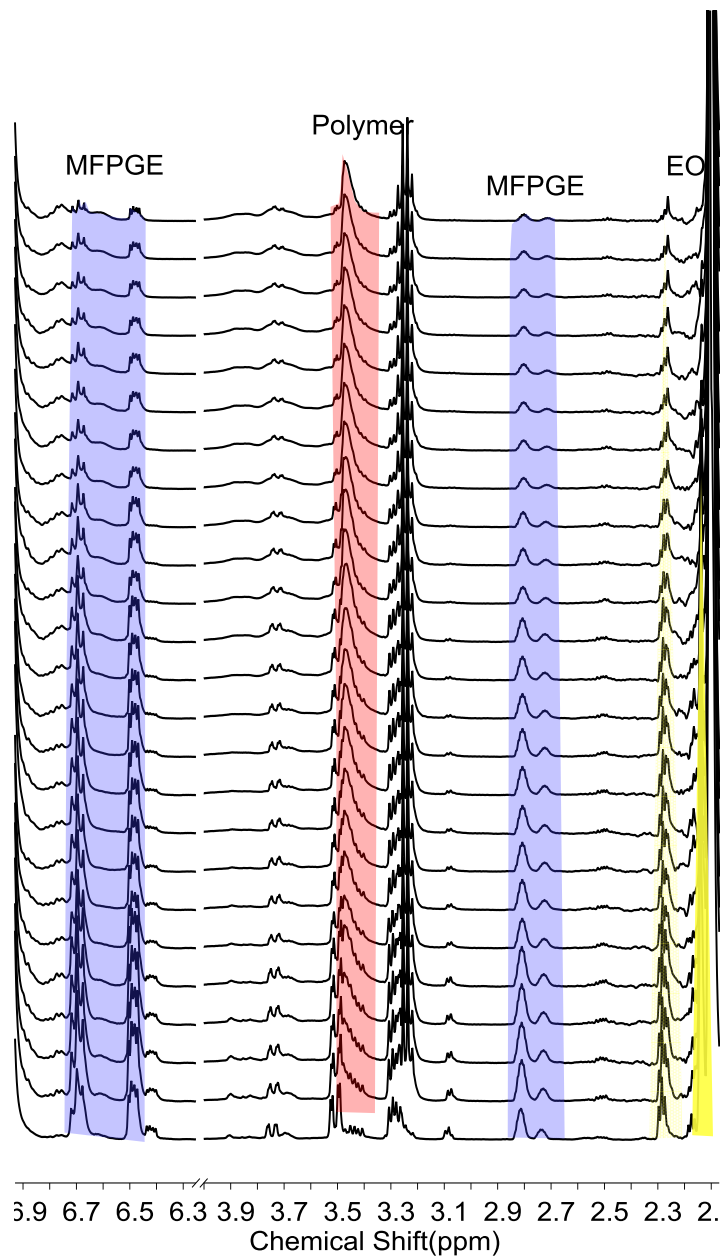
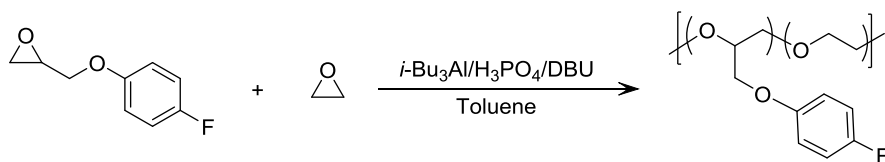
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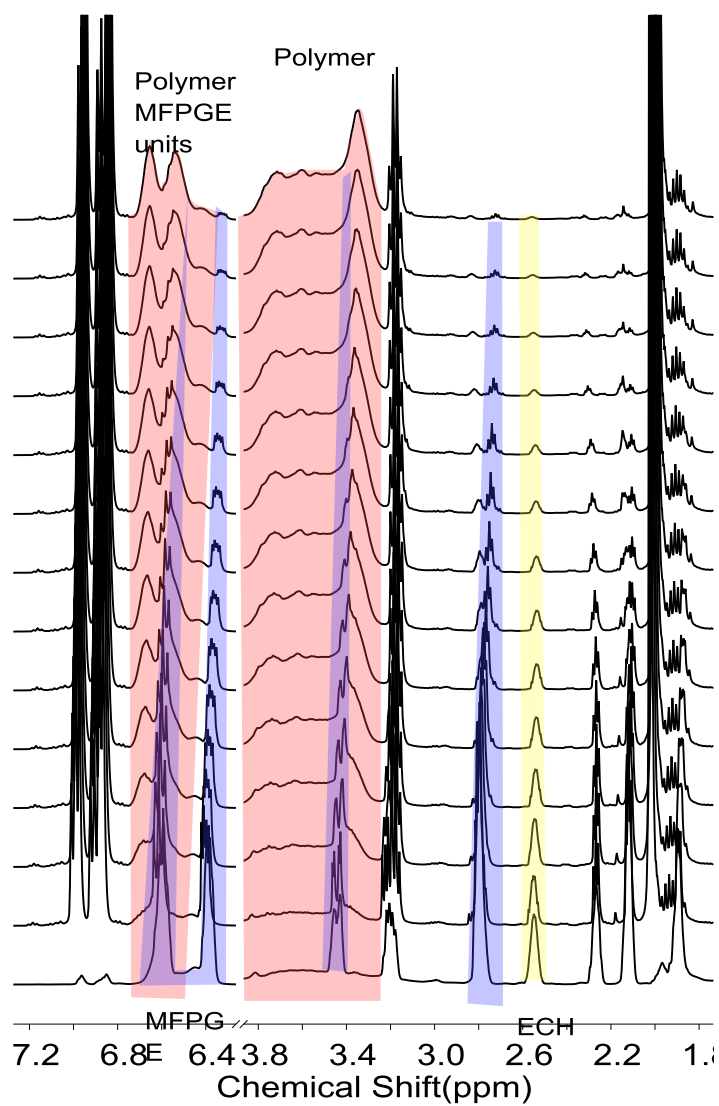
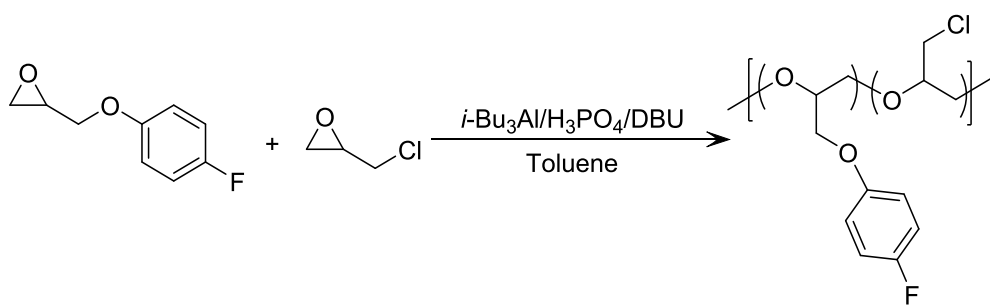
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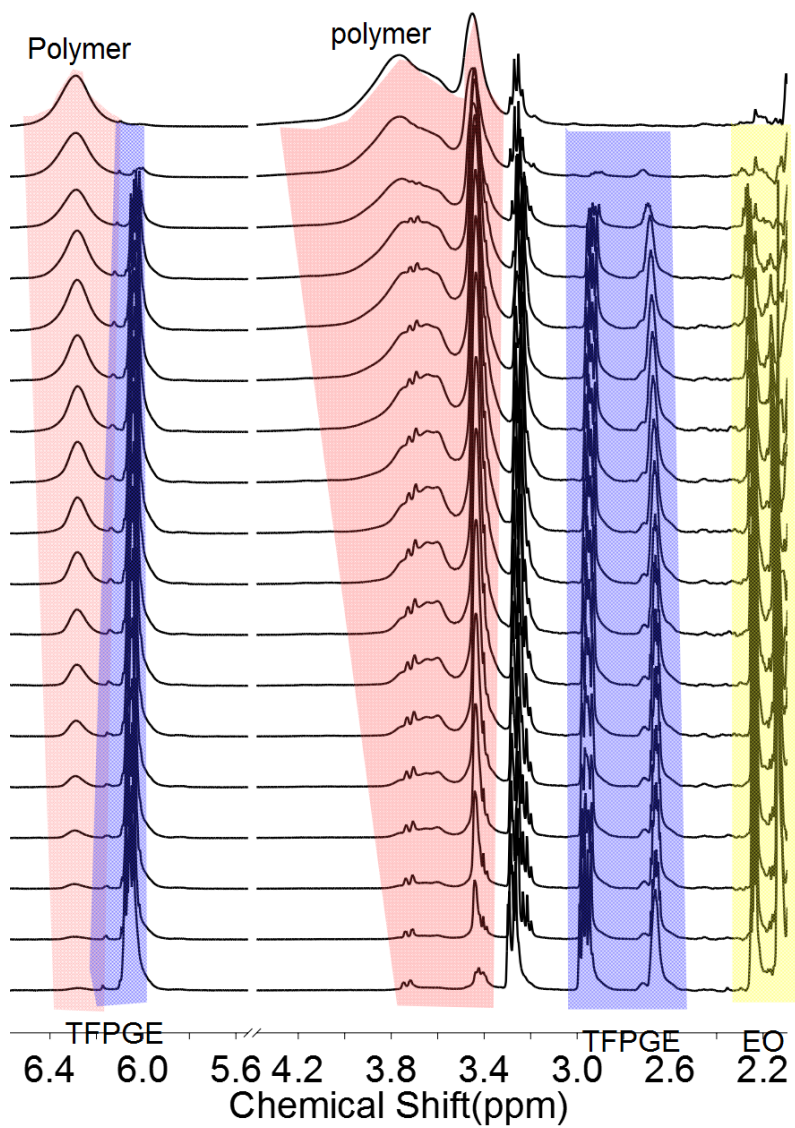
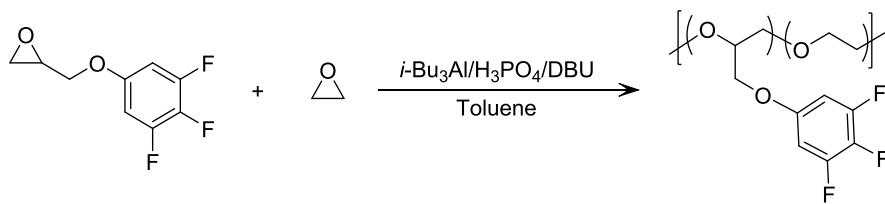
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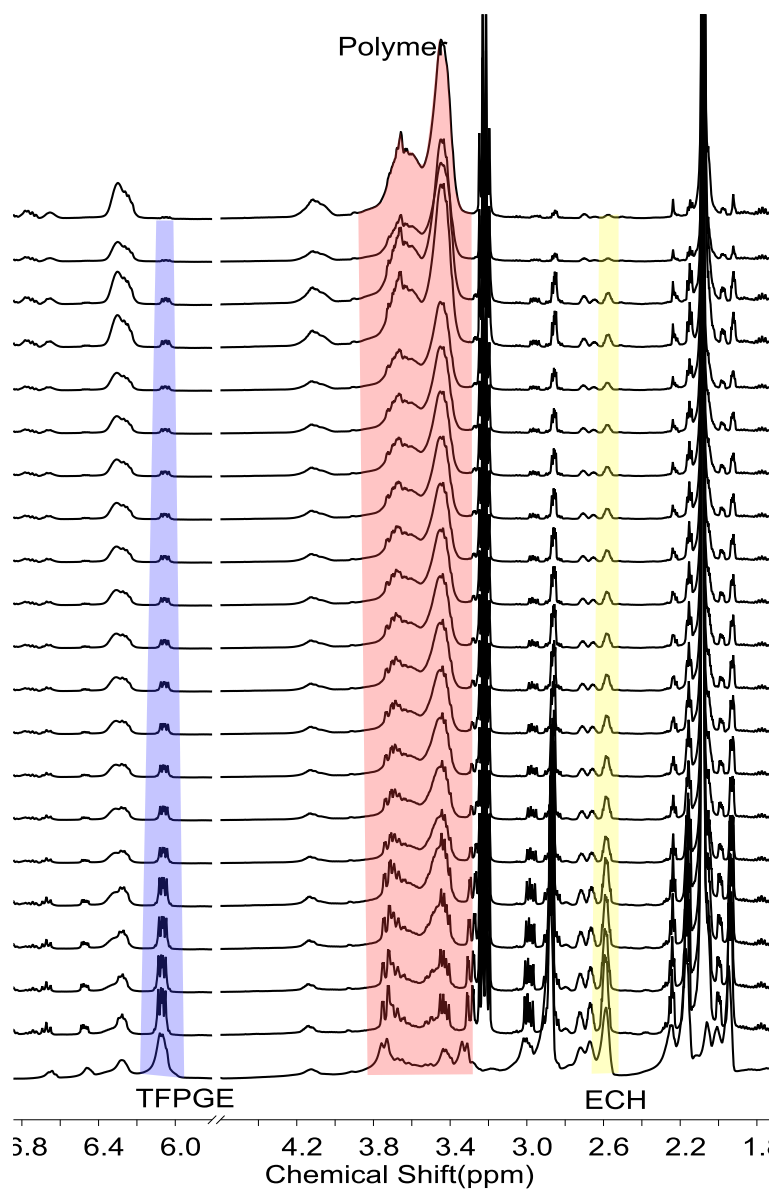
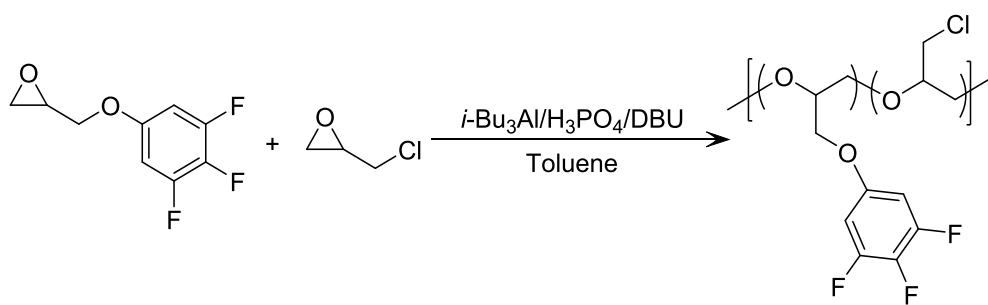
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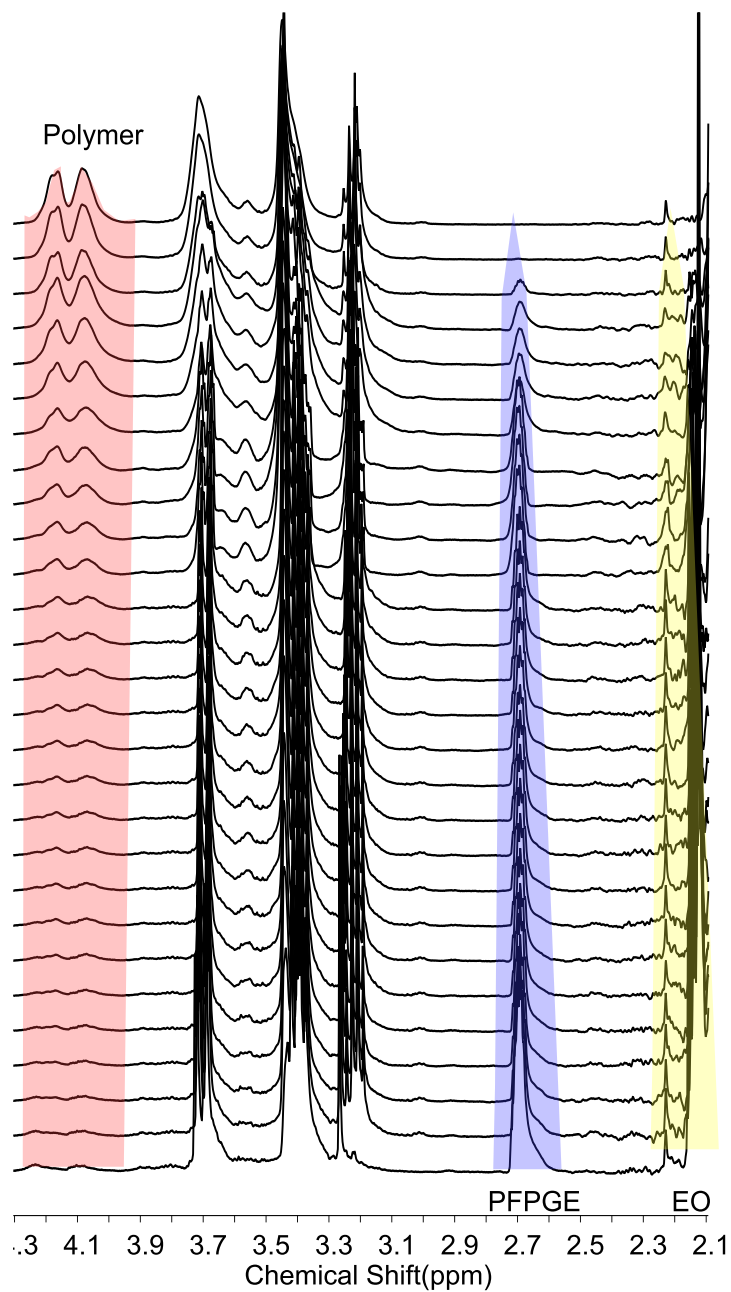
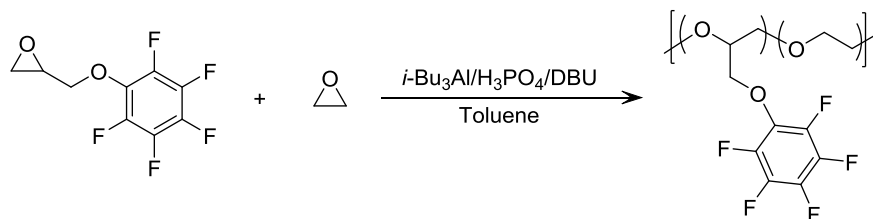
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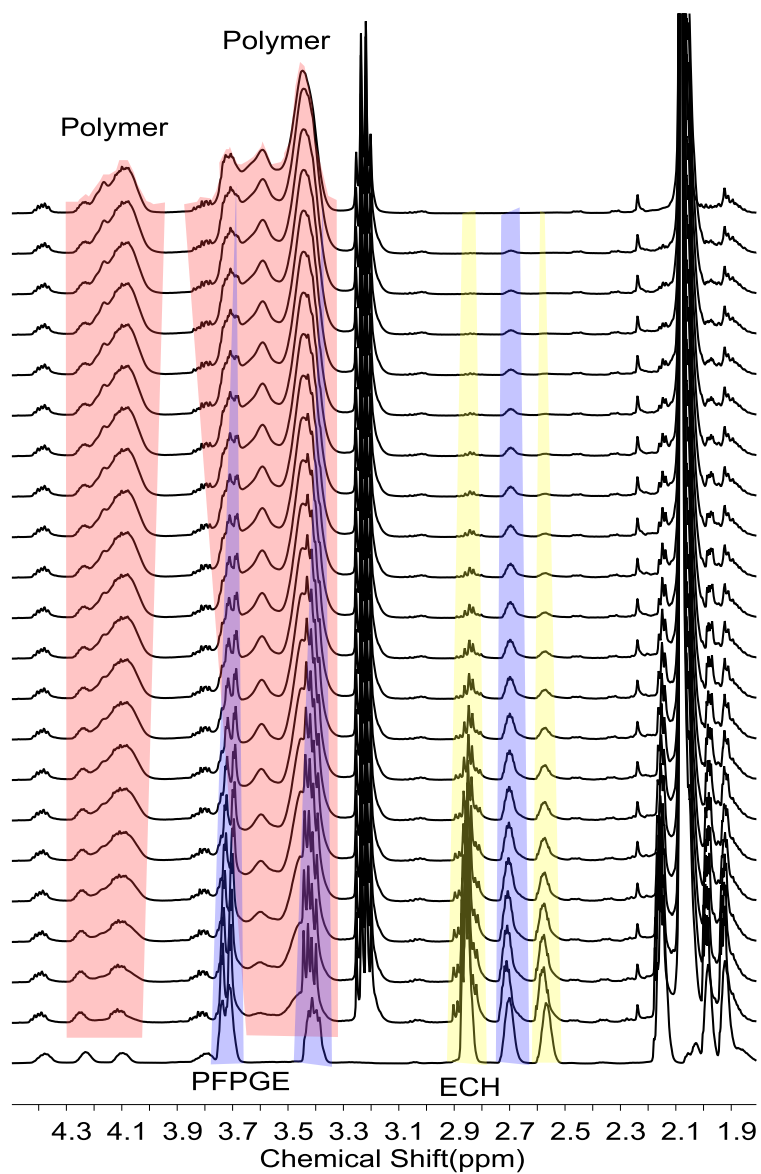
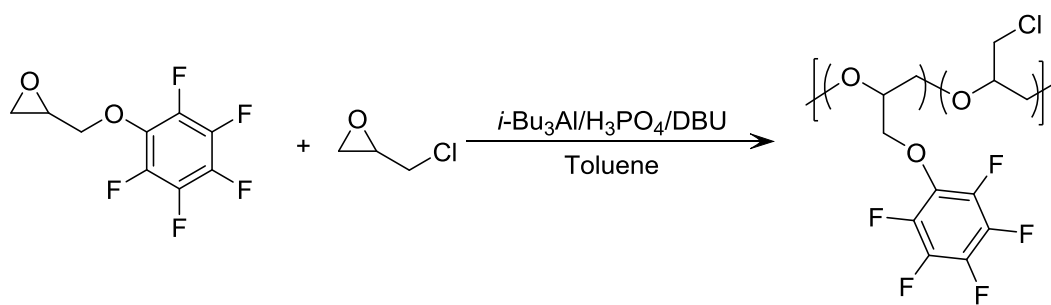
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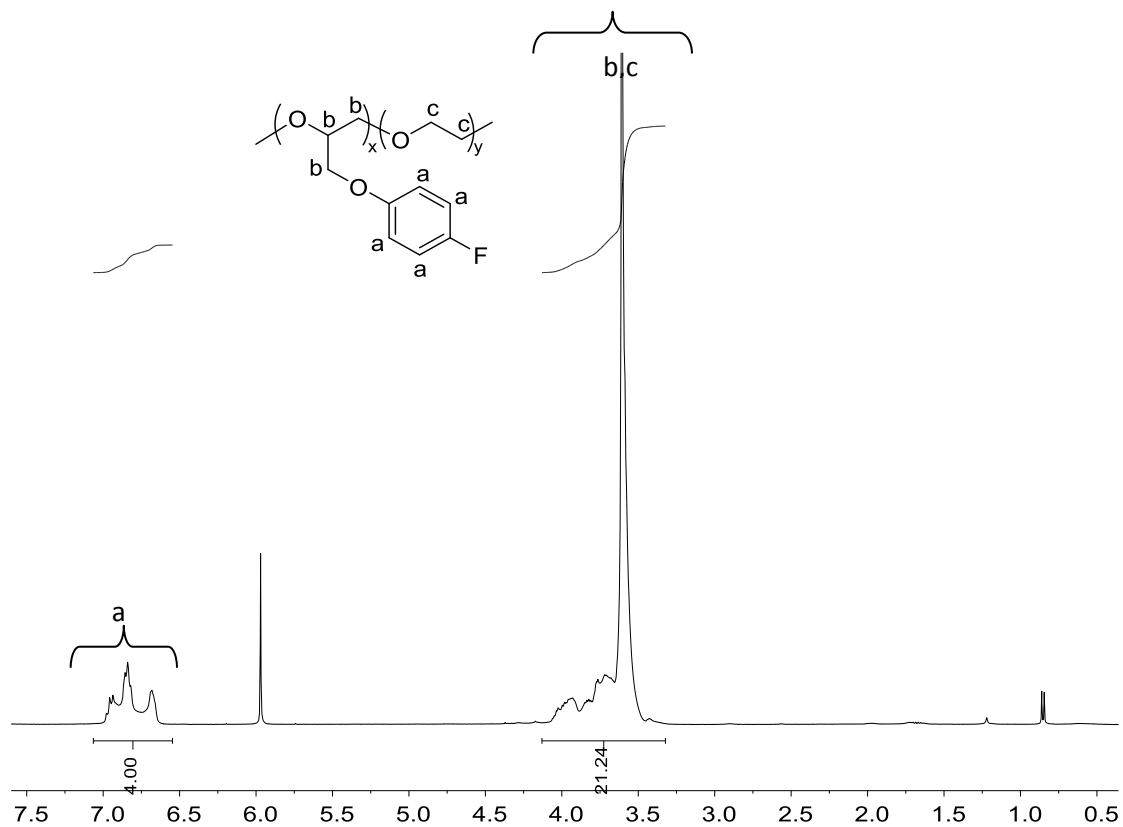


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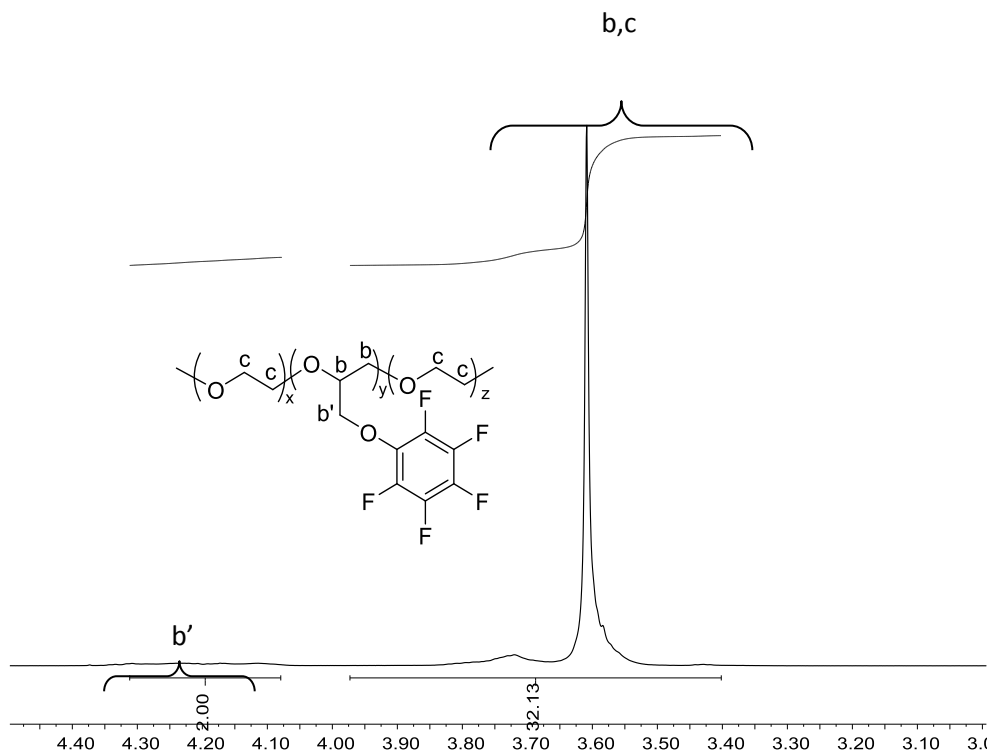


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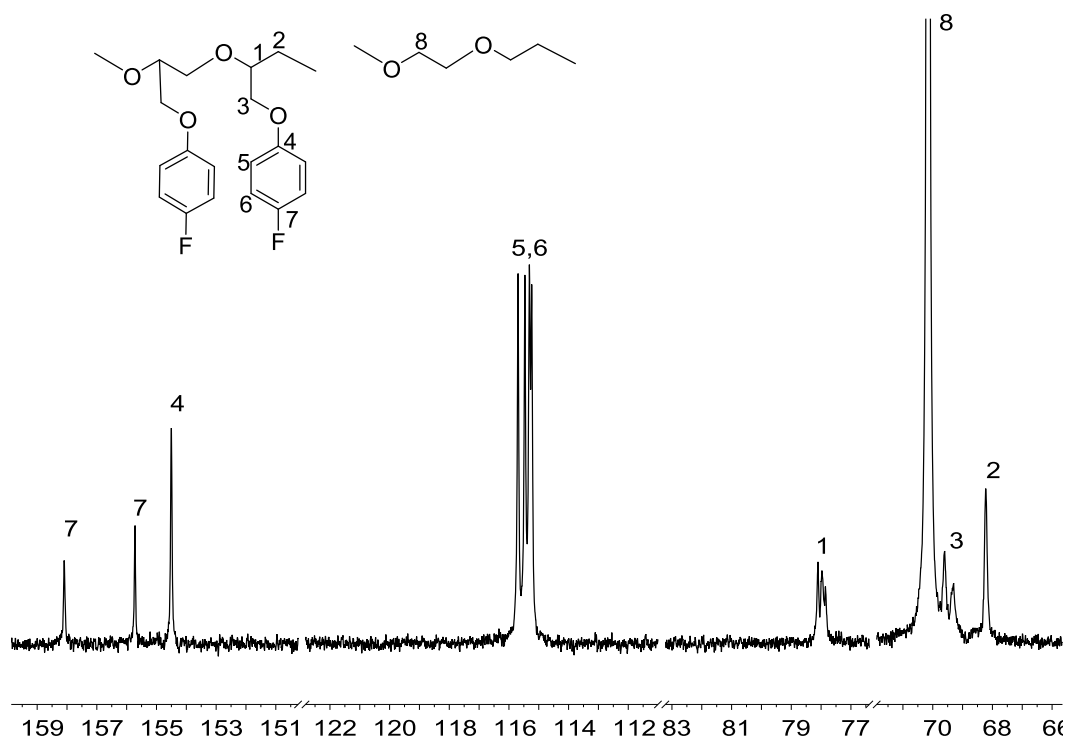




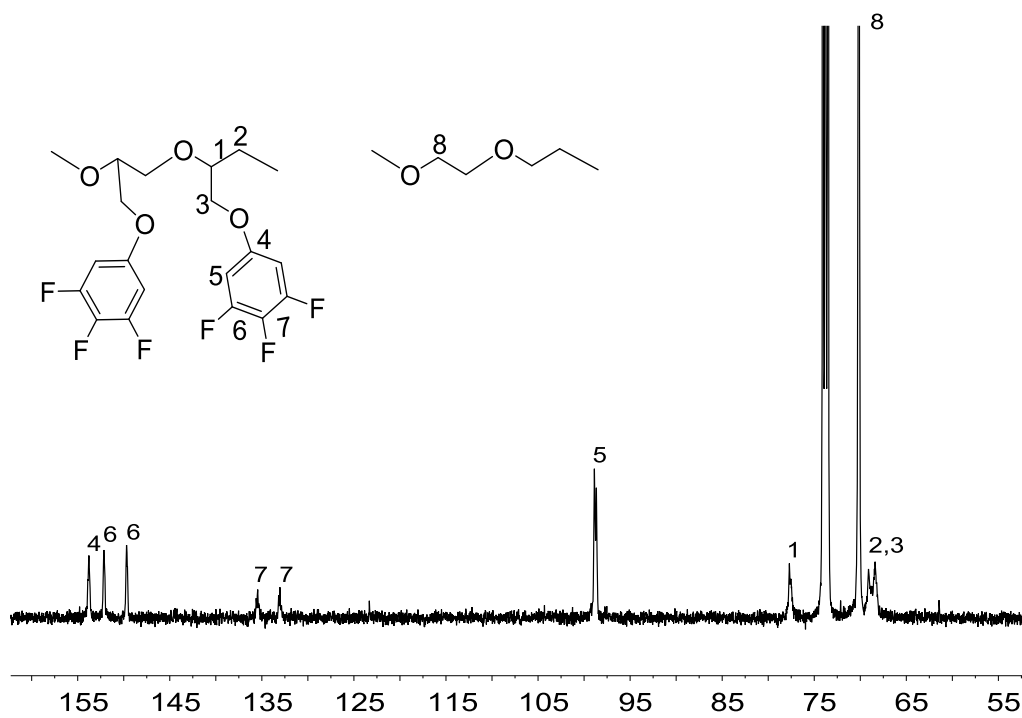
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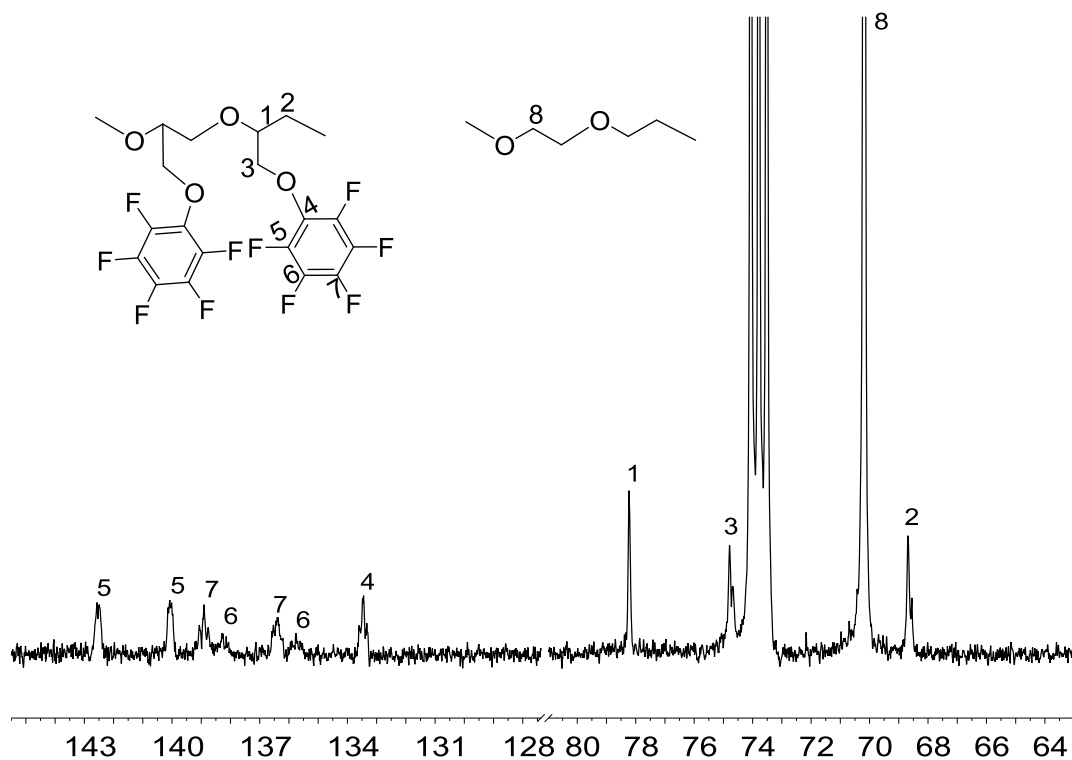
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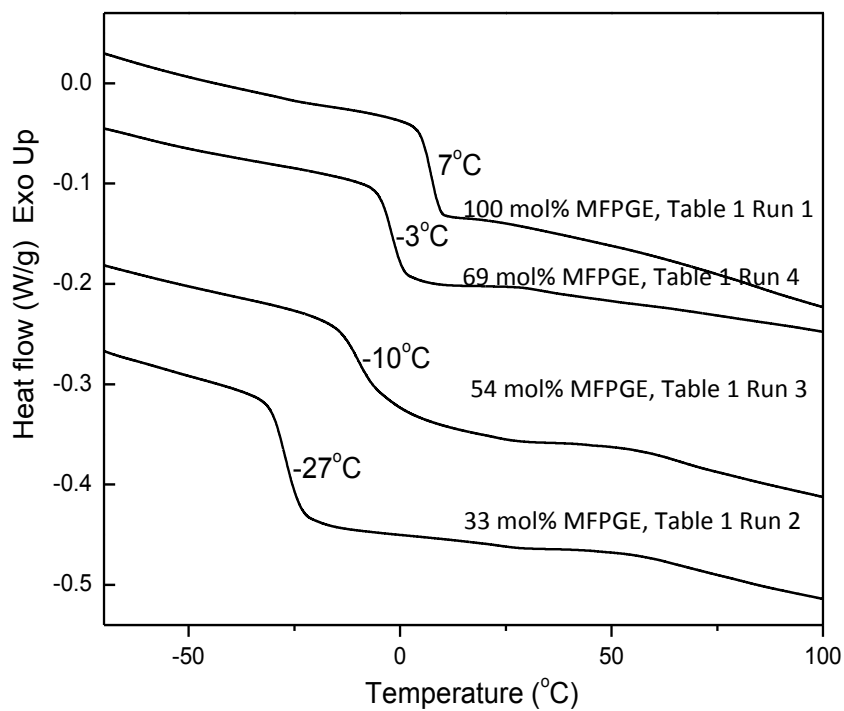
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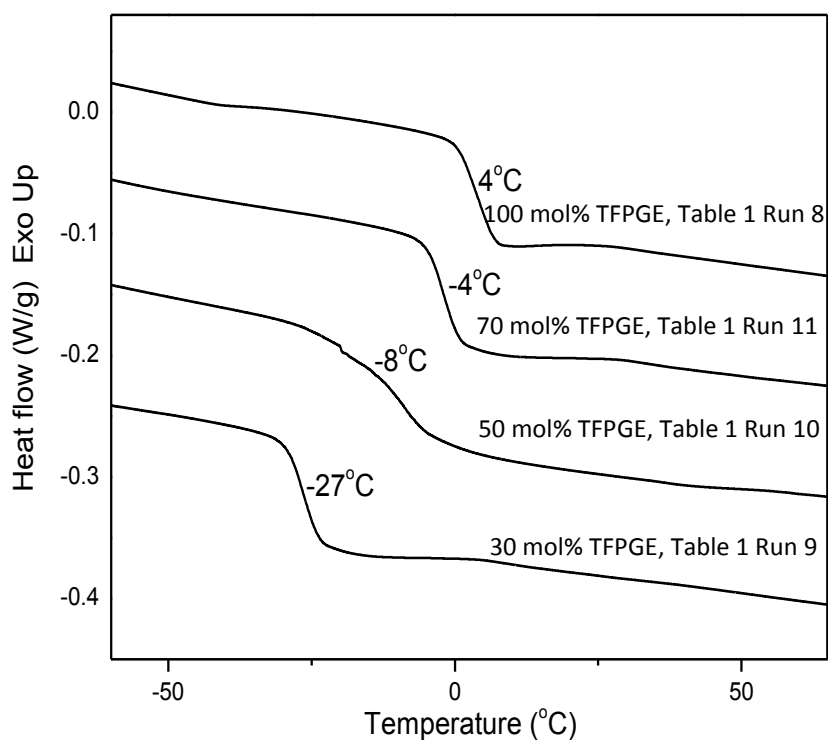
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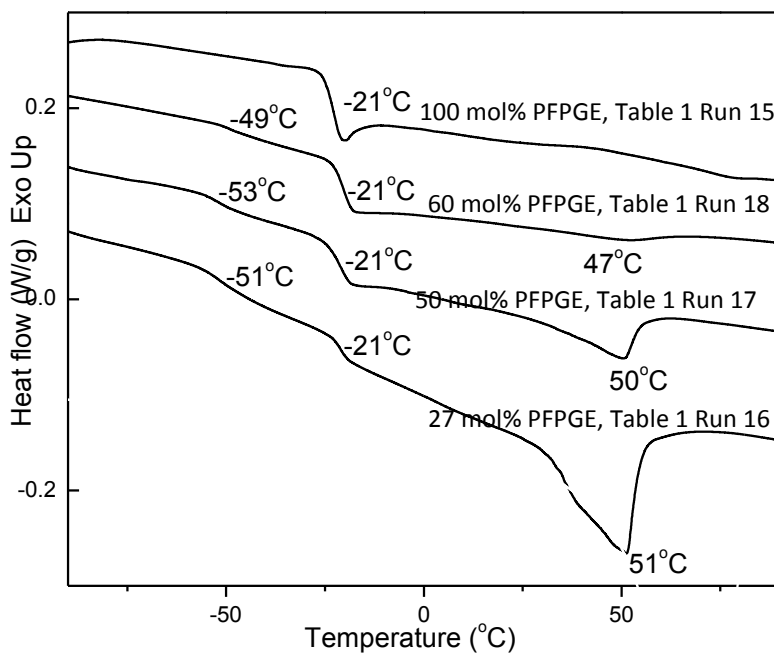
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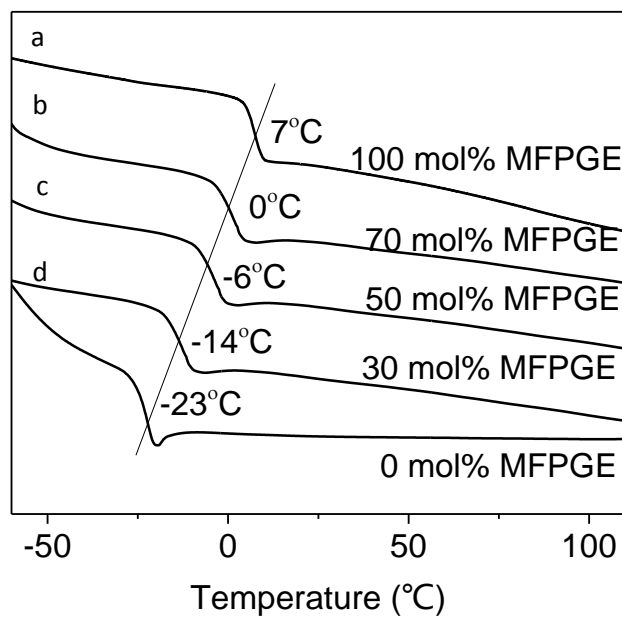
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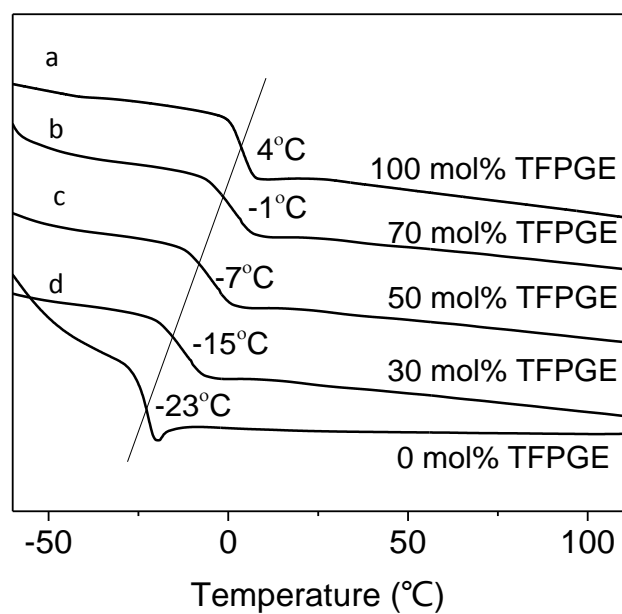
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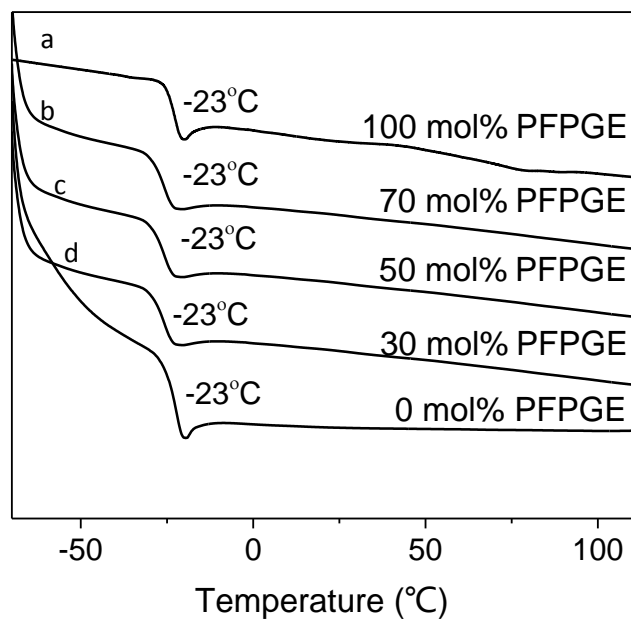
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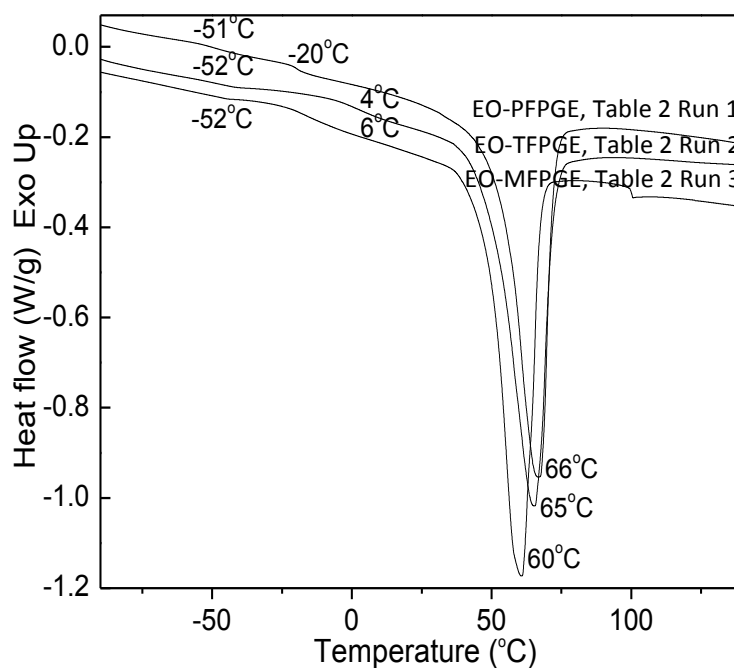
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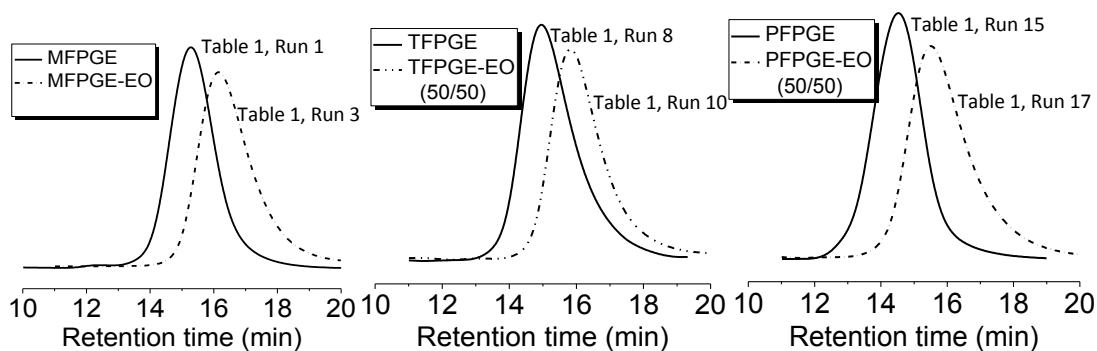
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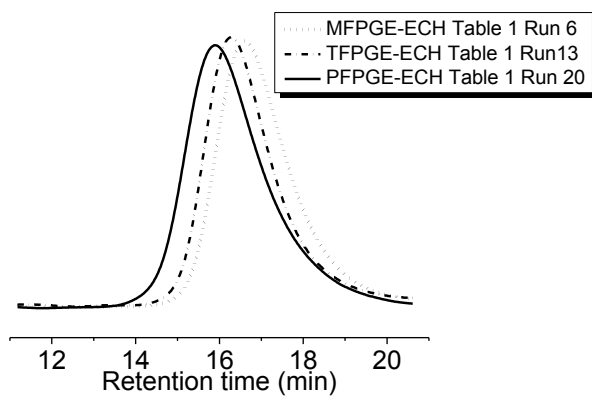
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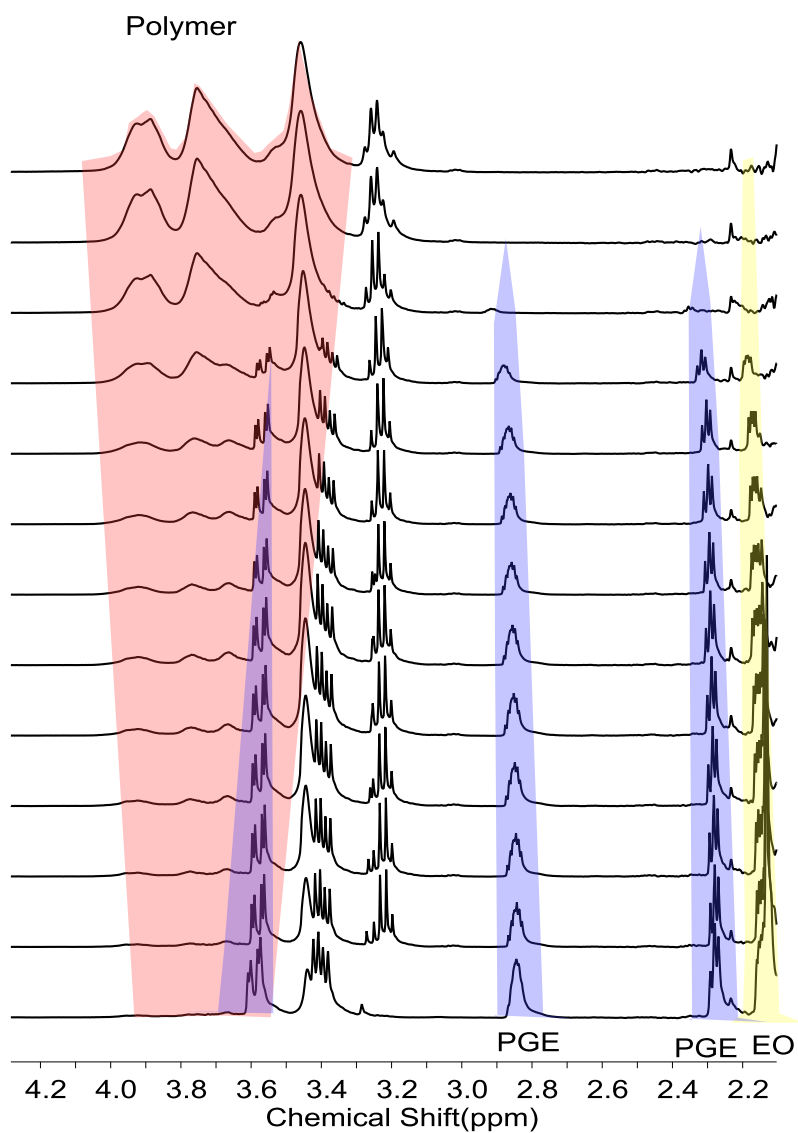
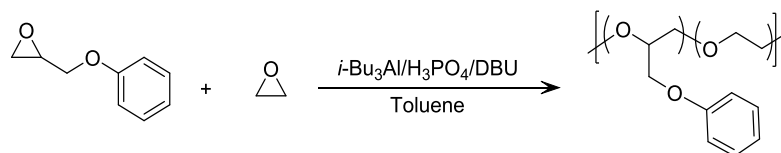
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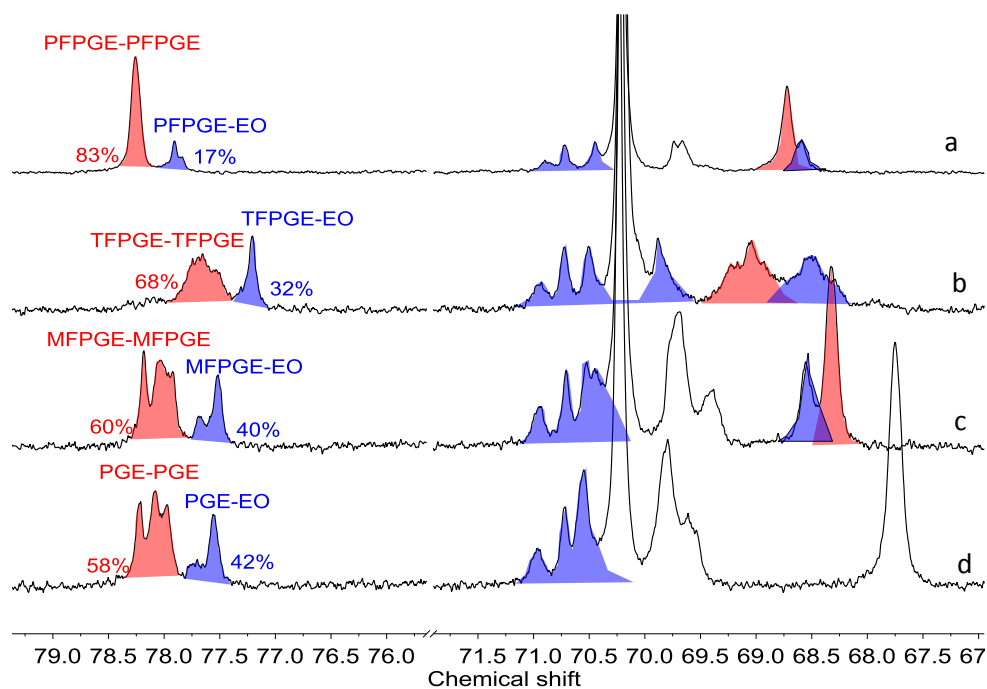


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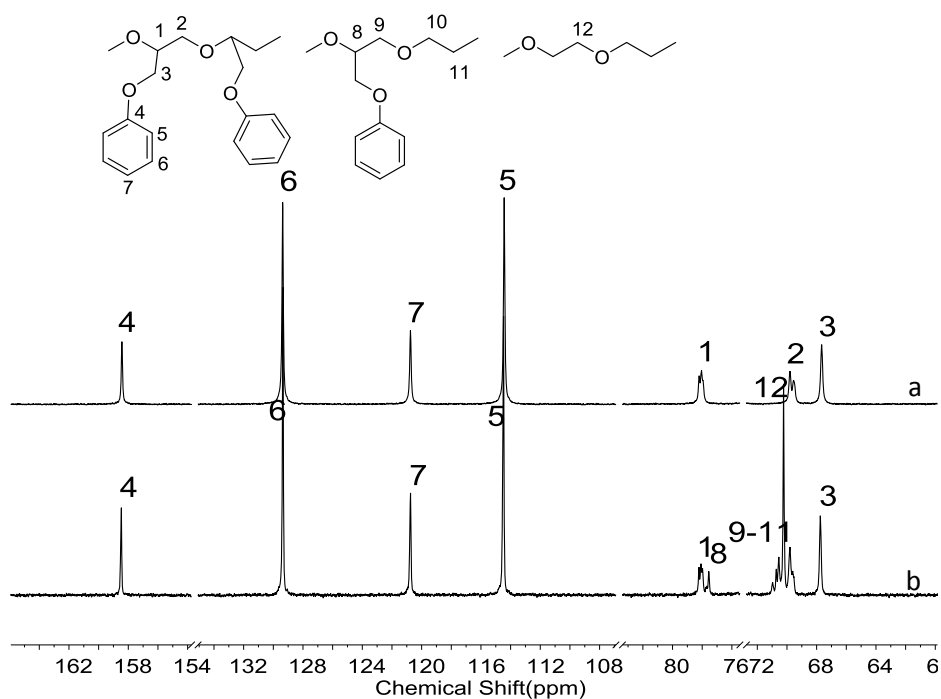


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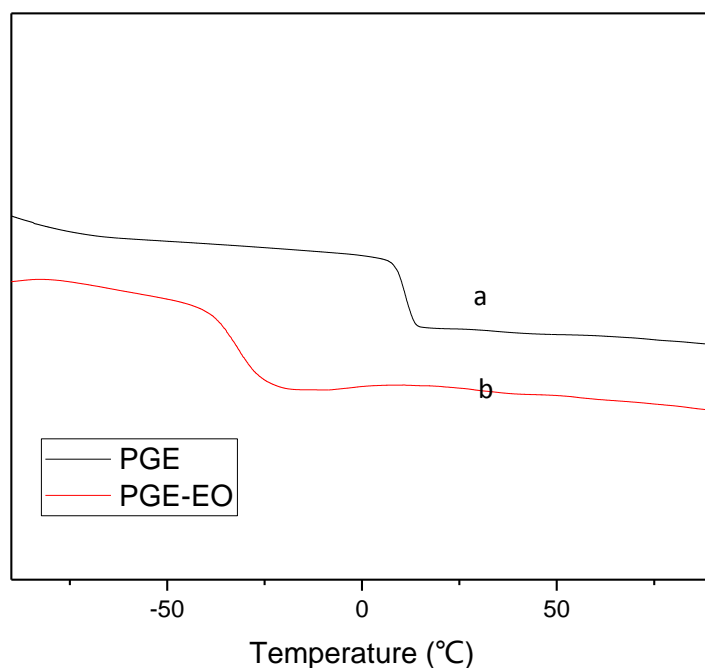




**Fig. S38.** Comparisons of  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of PFPGE-EO (a: Table 1, Run 17), TFPGE-EO (b: Table 1, Run 10), MFPGE-EO (c: Table 1, Run 3) and PGE-EO (d: Table S1, Run 2) copolymers with 50 mol% EO (joint signals in blue shadow, self-self signals in red shadow)

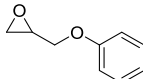
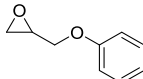


**Fig. S39.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of PGE homopolymer (a: Table S1, Run 1) and PGE-EO copolymer with 50 mol% MFPGE (b: Table S1, Run 2)



**Fig. S40.** DSC curves of PGE homopolymer (a: Table S1, Run 1) and PGE-EO copolymer with 50 mol% MFPGE (b: Table S1, Run 2).

**Table S1** Simultaneous copolymerization of phenyl glycidyl ether (PGE) with EO by *i*-Bu<sub>3</sub>Al/H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/DBU<sup>a</sup>

Run	PGE	comonomer	$f_{\text{PGE}}^b$ mol%	Yield (%)	$F_{\text{PGE}}^c$ mol%	$M_n^d$ ( $\times 10^4$ )	$M_w/M_n^d$	$T_g^e$ (°C)
1		-	100	100	100	14.1	1.42	11
2			50	99	50	9.1	1.37	-32

<sup>a</sup> Reaction condition: *i*-Bu<sub>3</sub>Al/H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/DBU molar ratio, 1/0.33/0.25; *i*-Bu<sub>3</sub>Al, 0.25 mmol; monomer (2 mol/L in toluene)/*i*-Bu<sub>3</sub>Al=40; 25 °C; 30 min. <sup>b</sup> Initial mole fraction of PGE. <sup>c</sup> Final cumulative mole fraction composition of copolymer measured by <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectroscopy. <sup>d</sup> Determined by GPC in 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene at 150 °C against polystyrene standard. <sup>e</sup> Determined by DSC.