

**Supporting Information For:**

**Polymerization of a Biscalix[5]arene Derivative**

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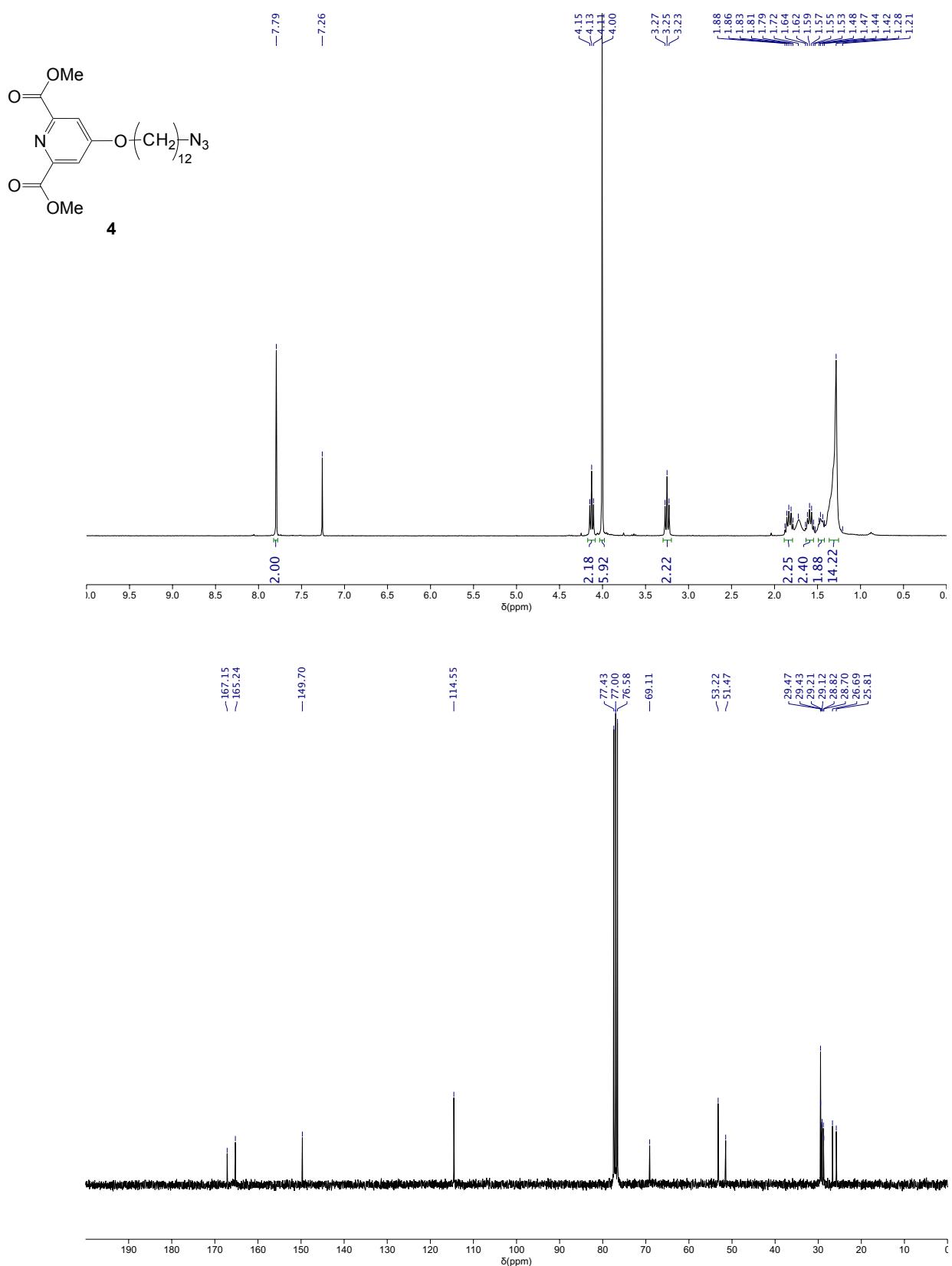
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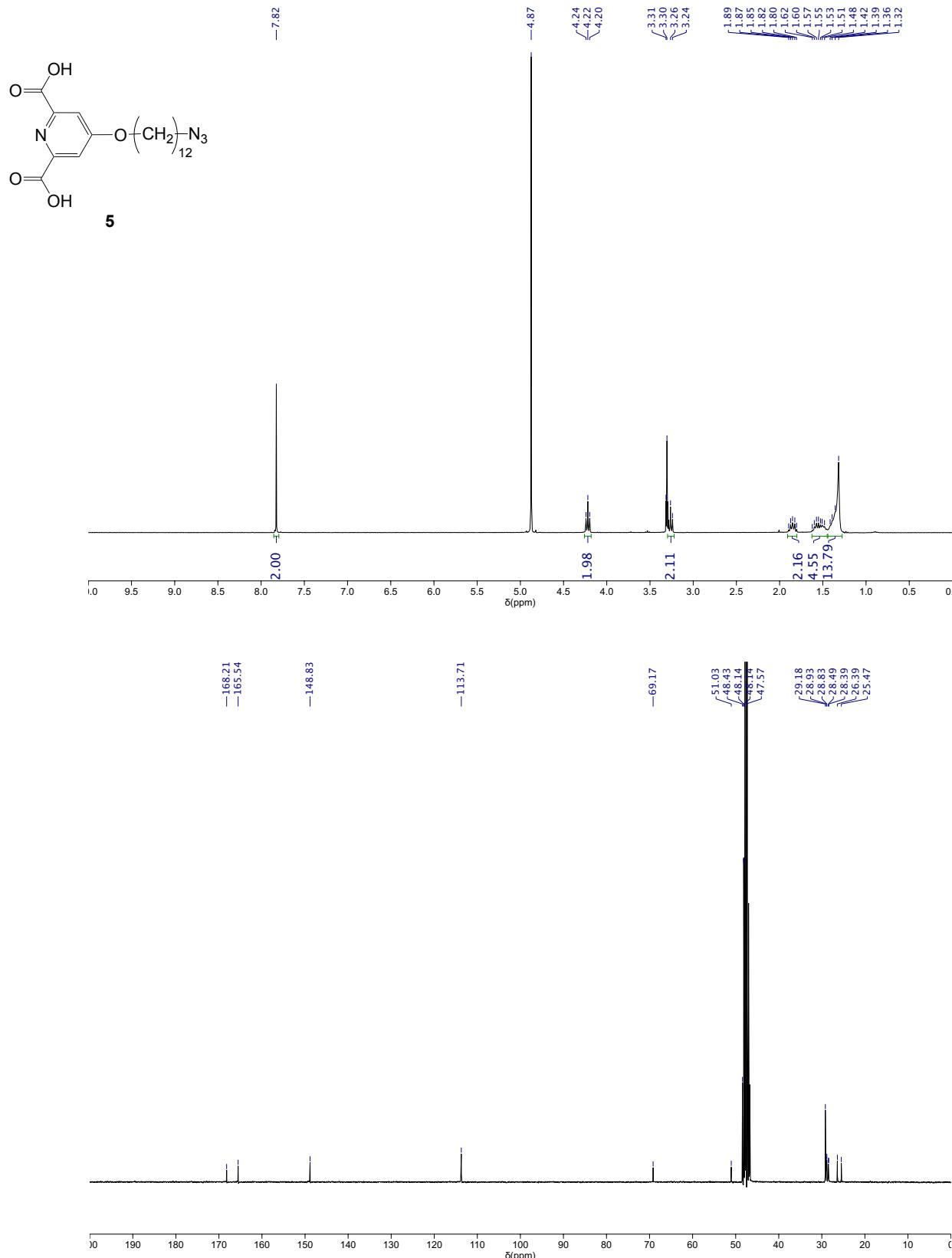
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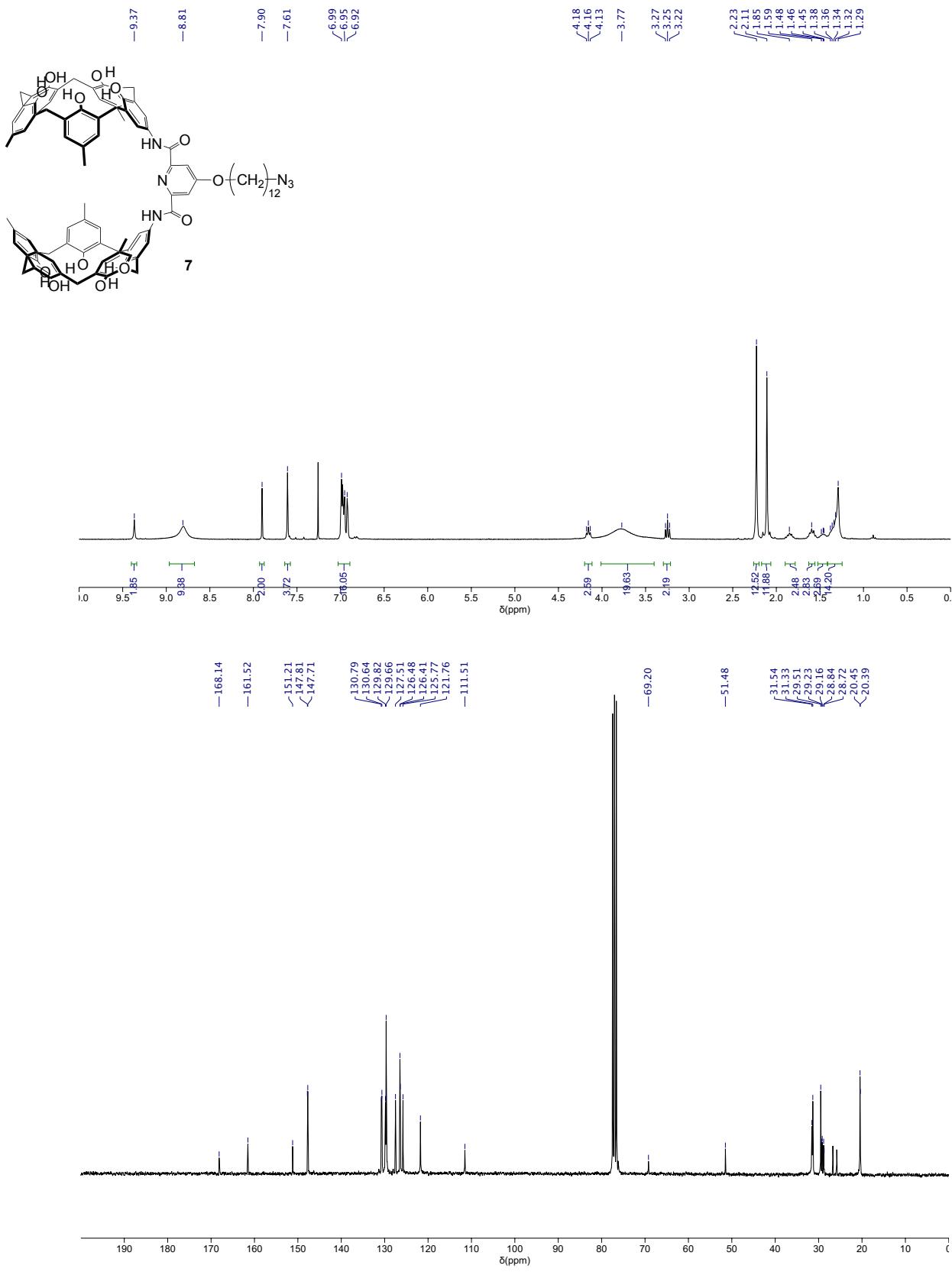
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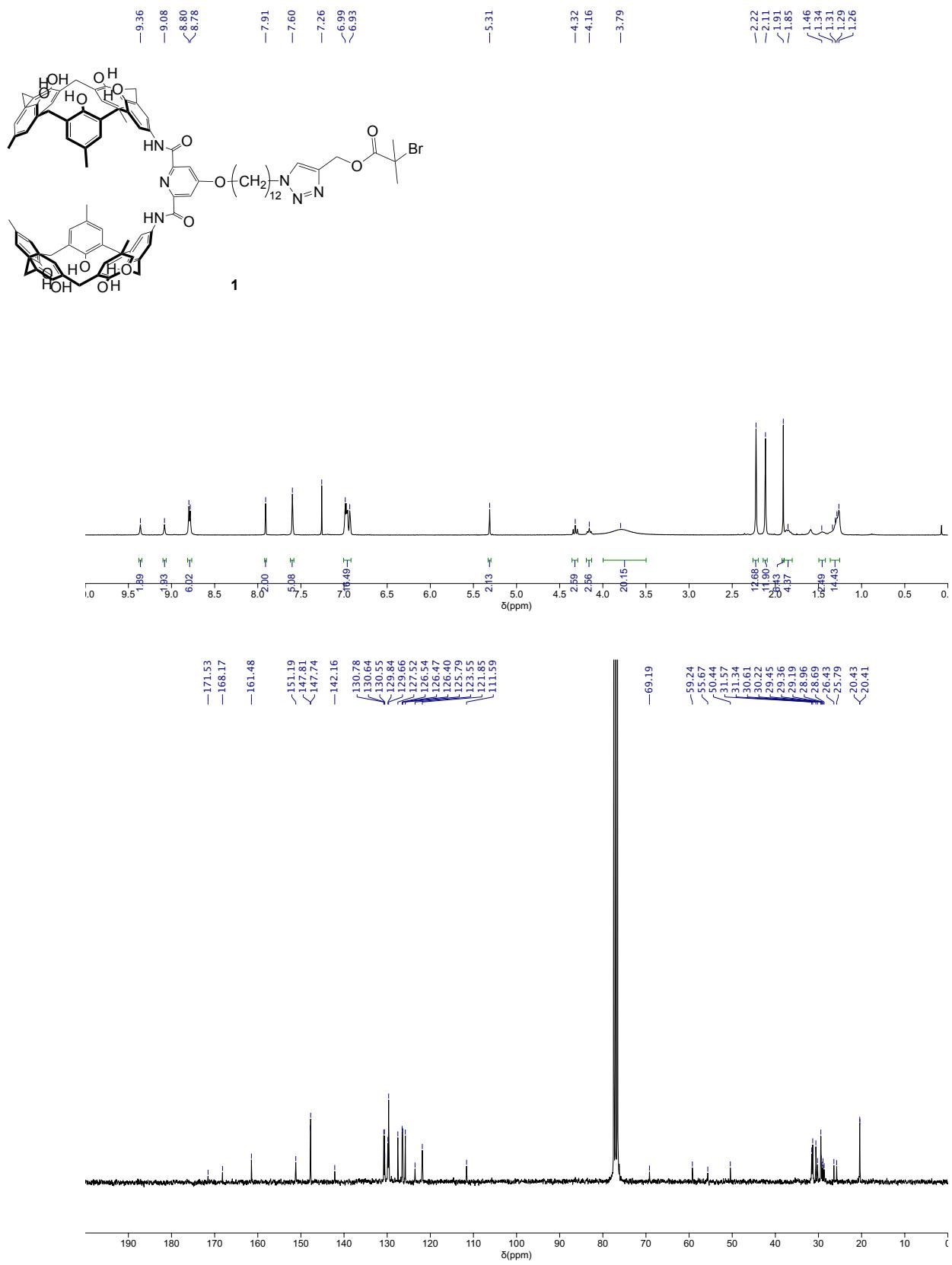
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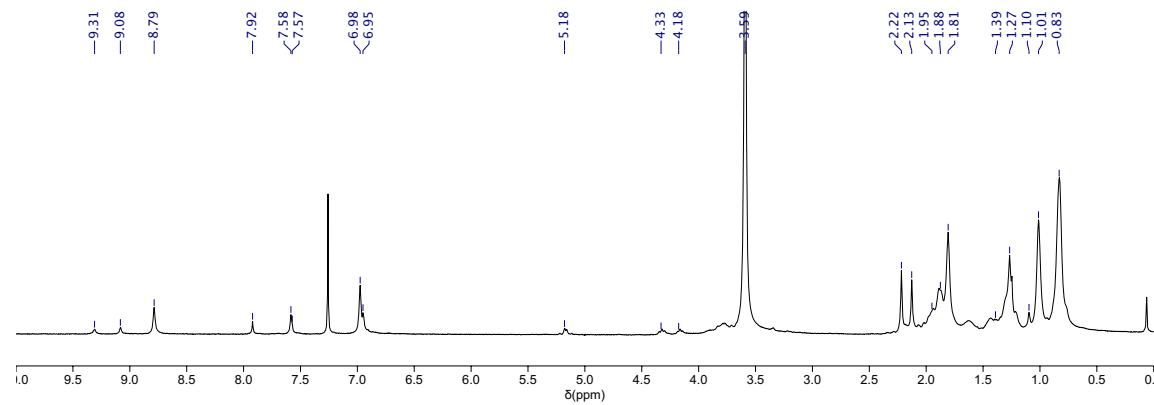
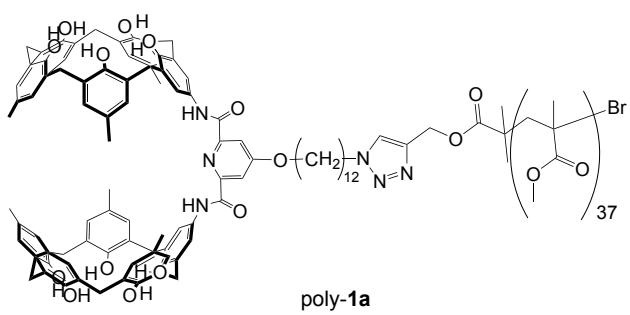
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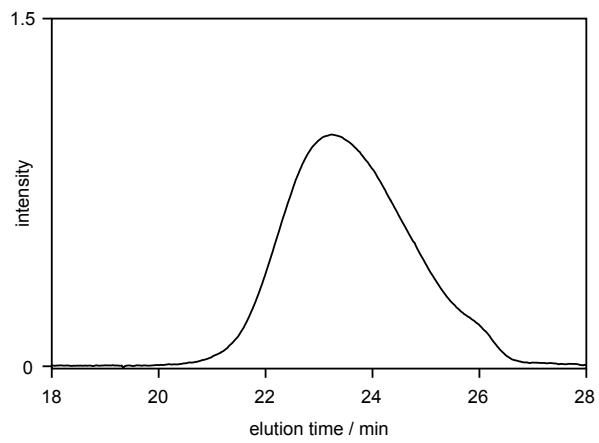
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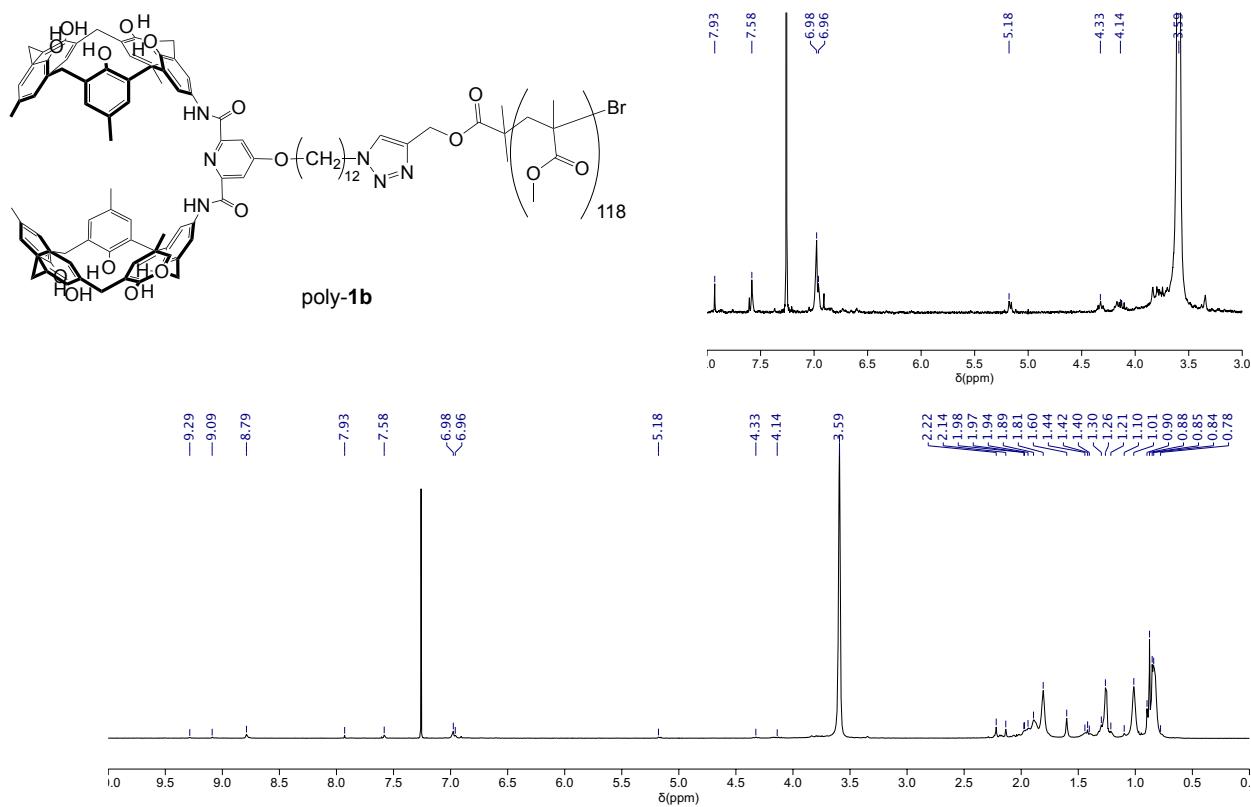
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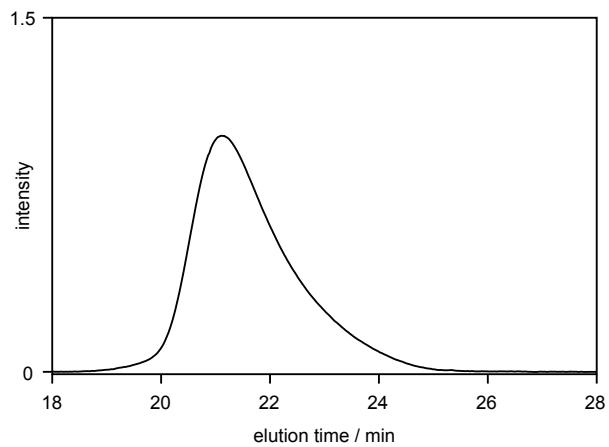
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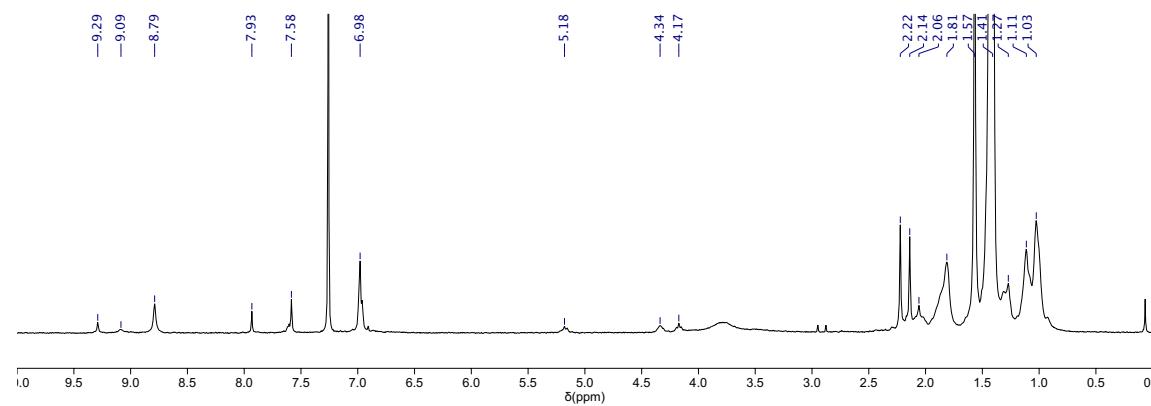
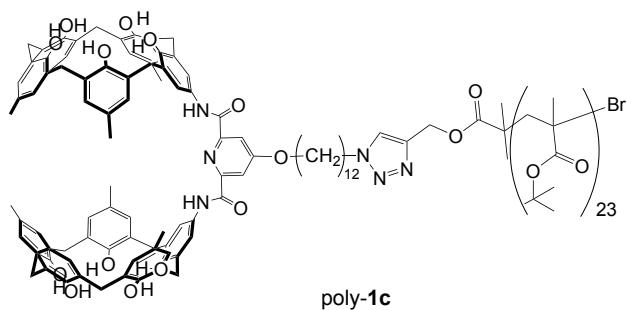
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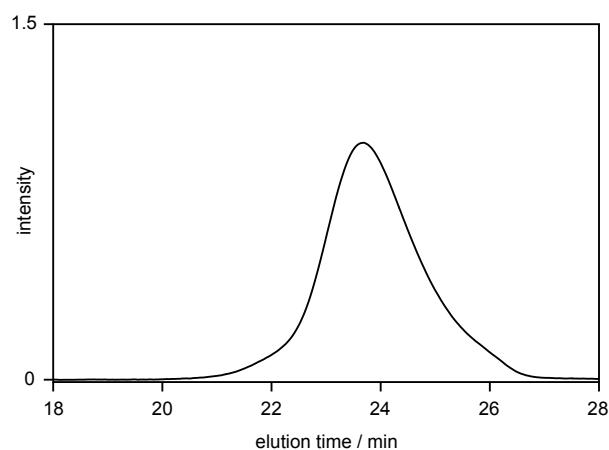
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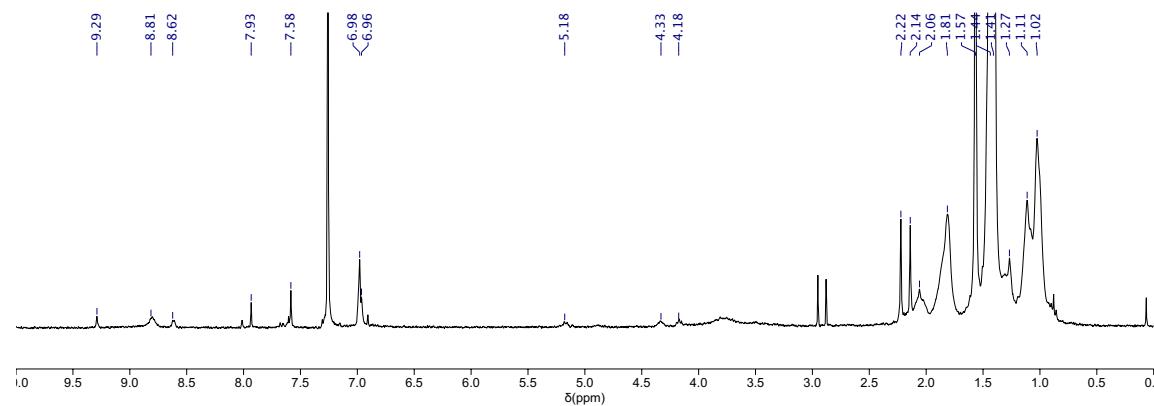
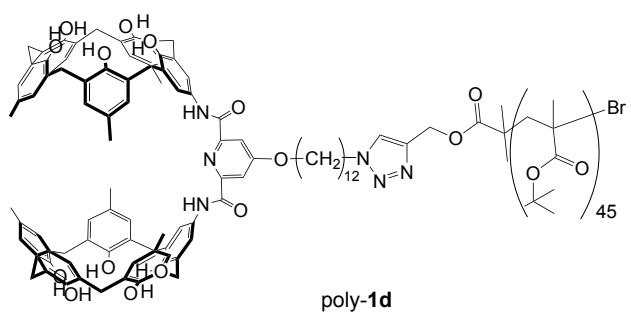
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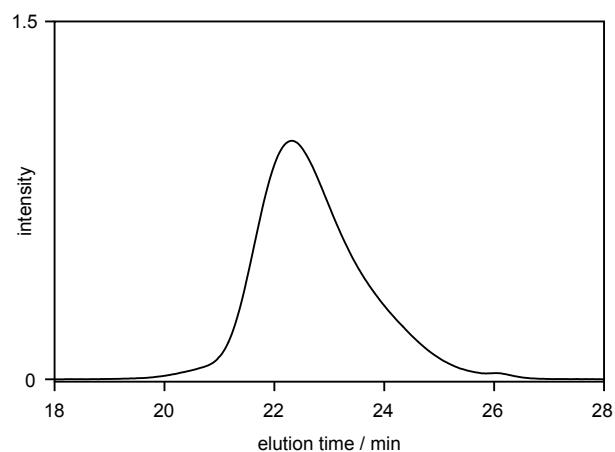
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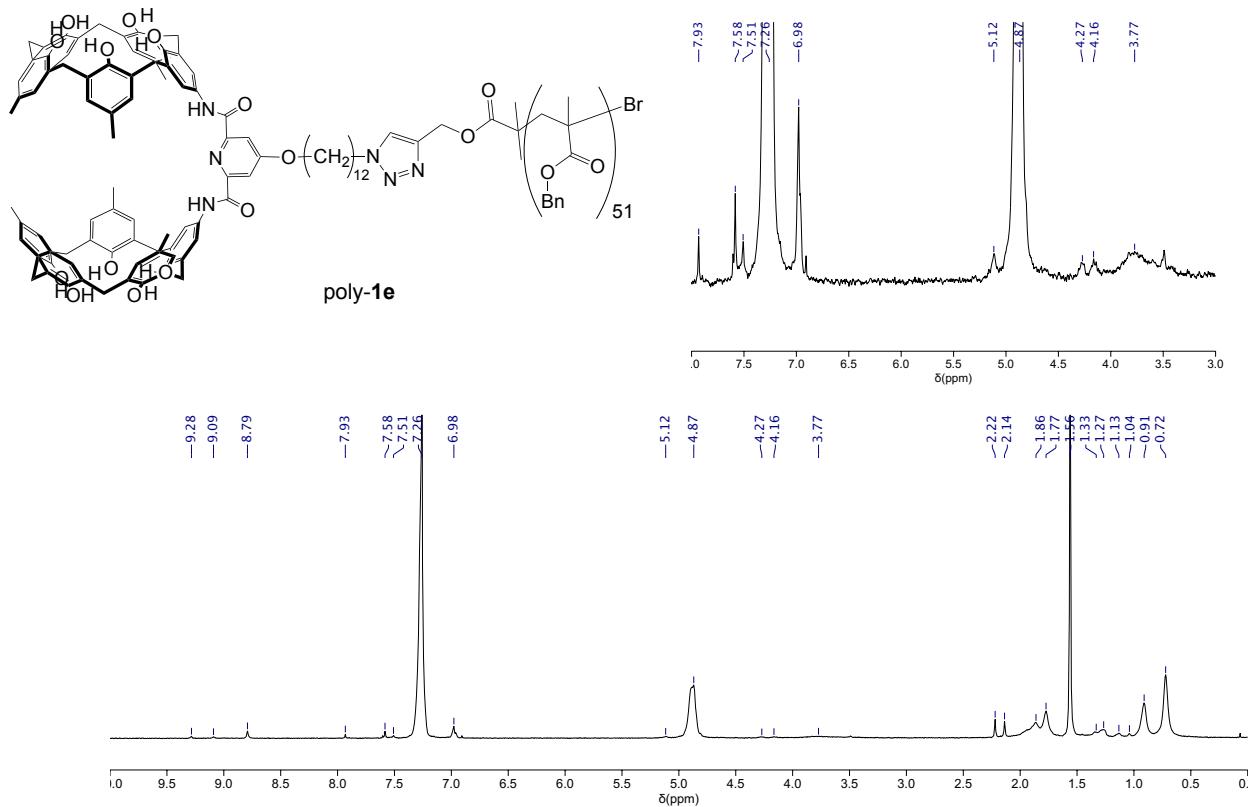
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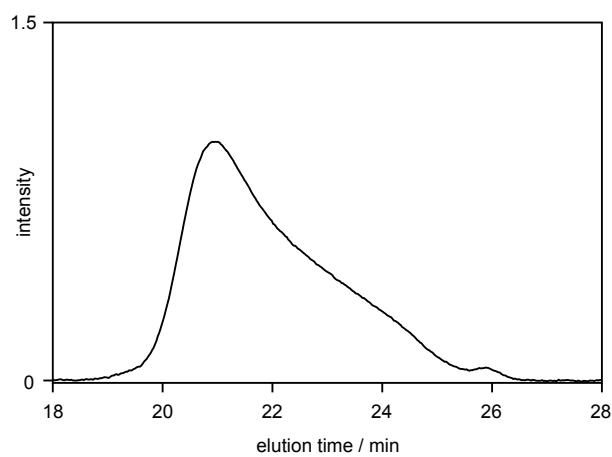
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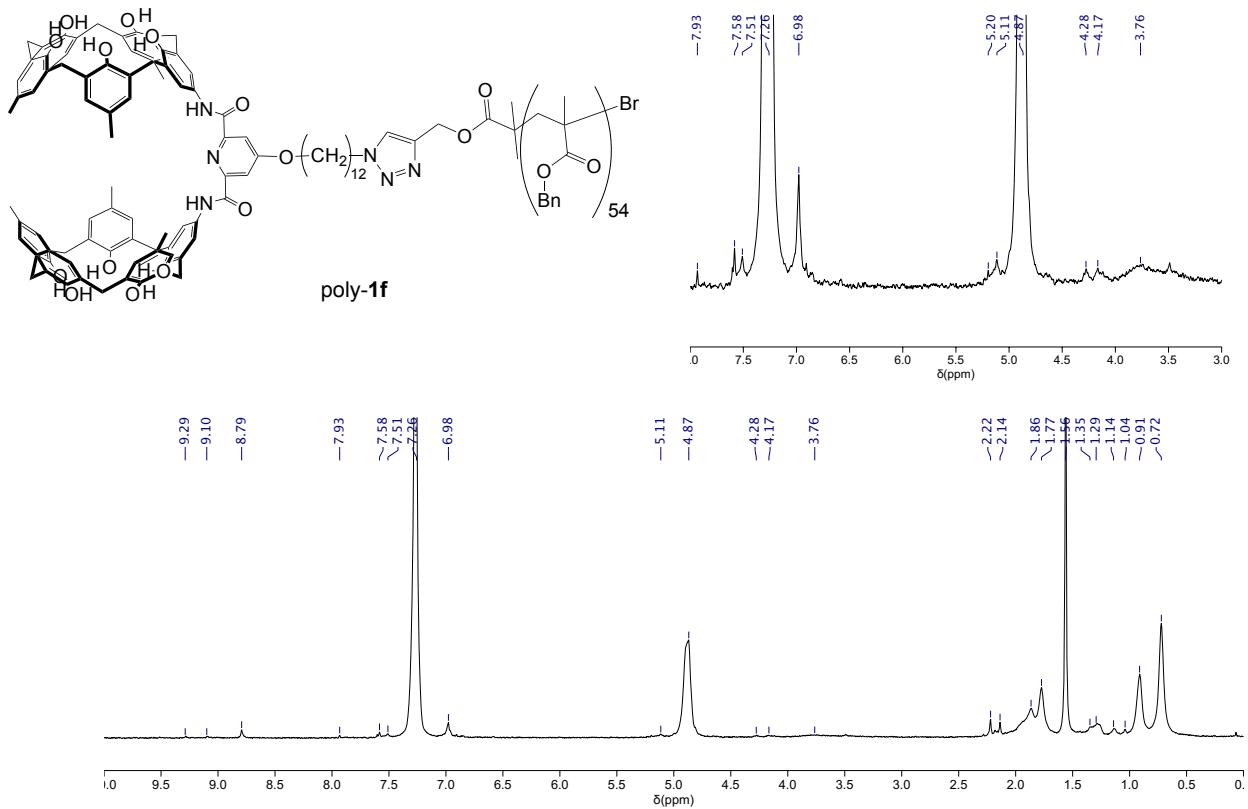
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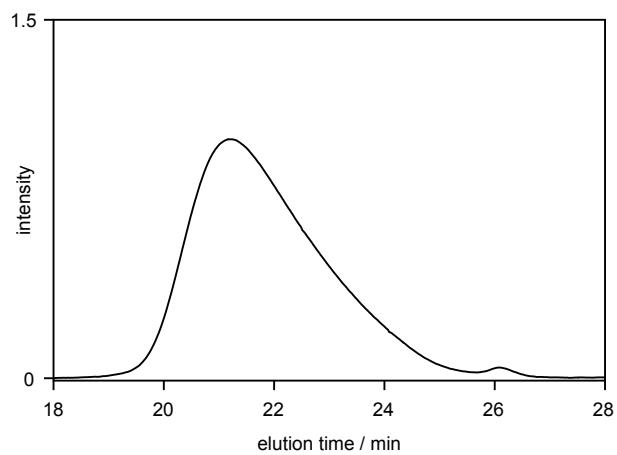
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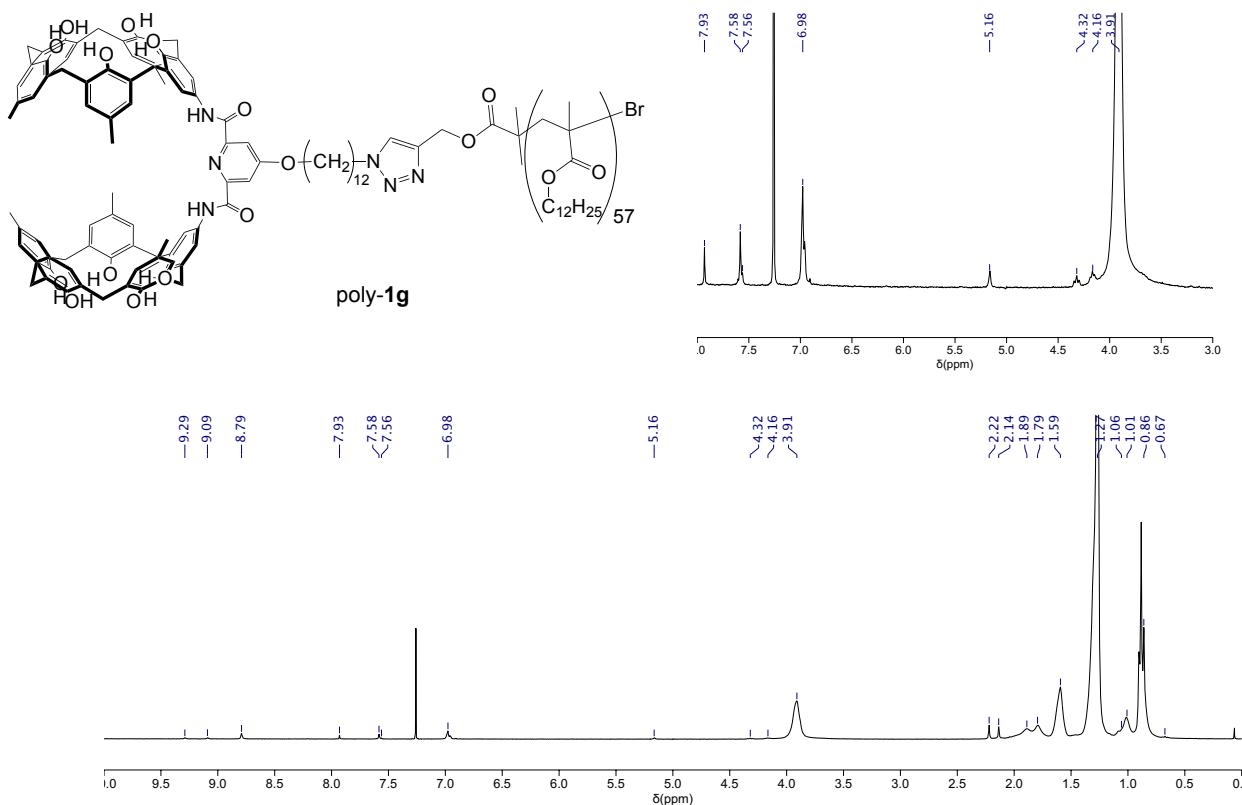
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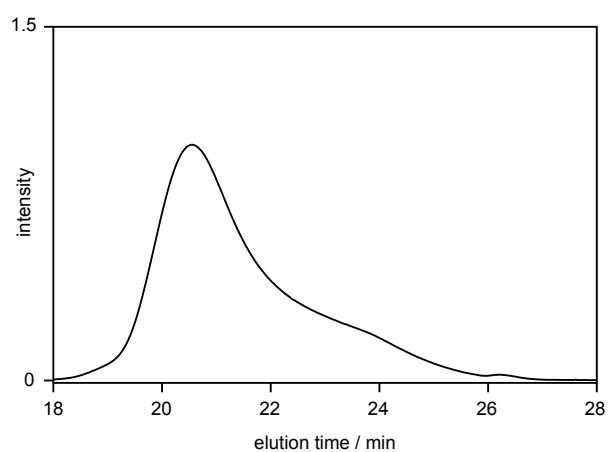
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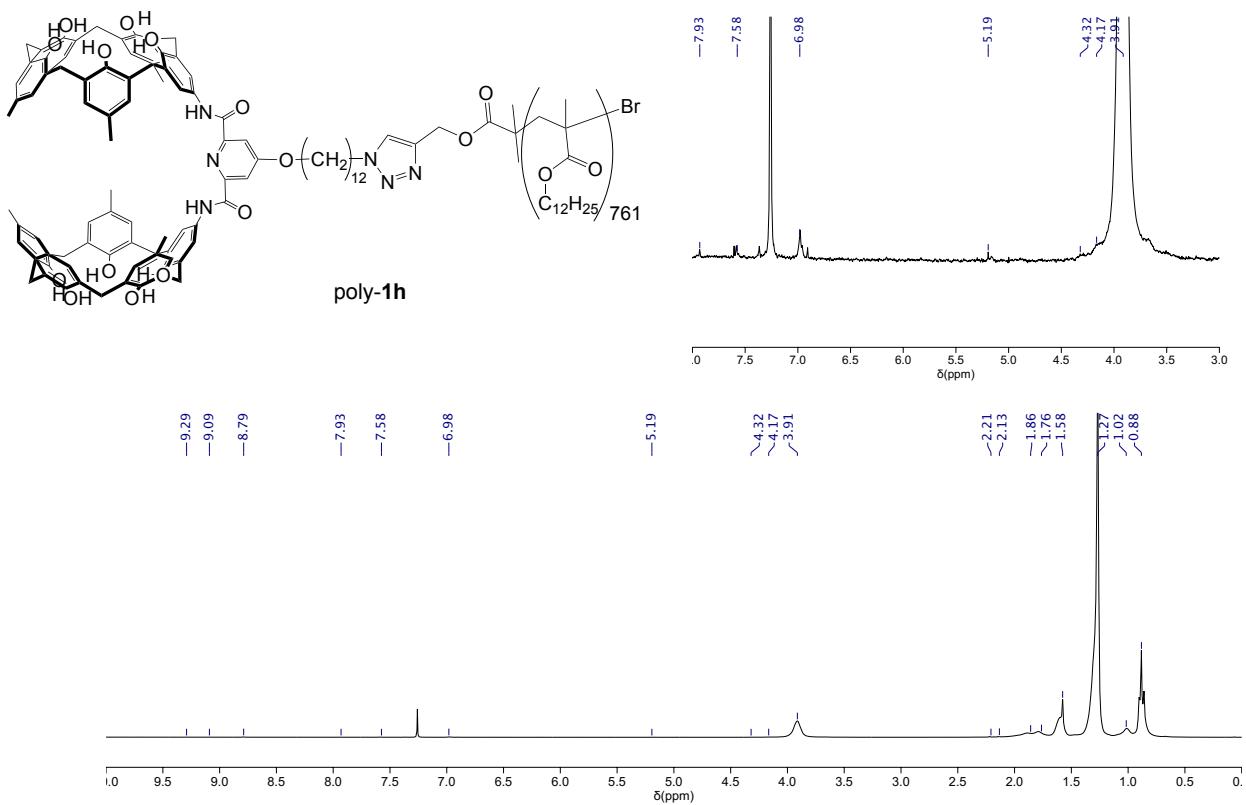
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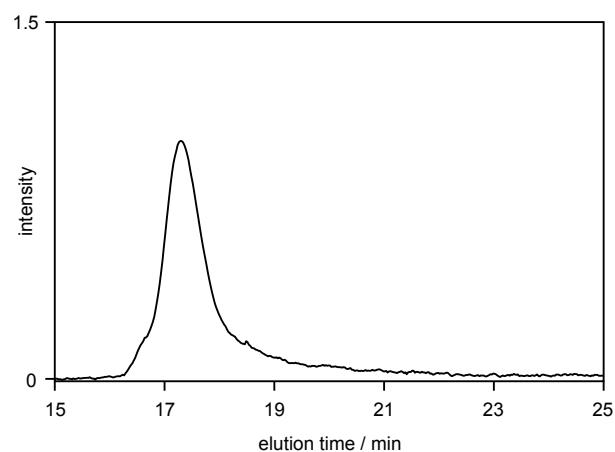
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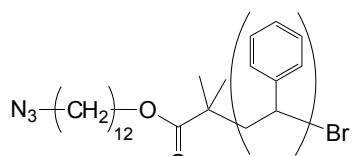
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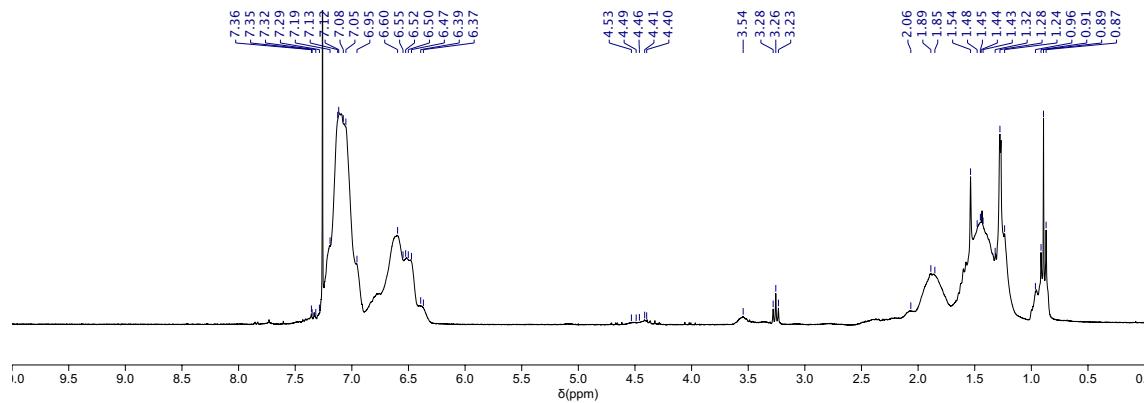
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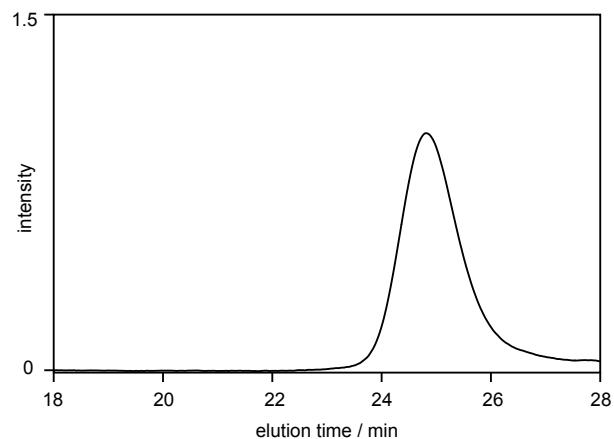
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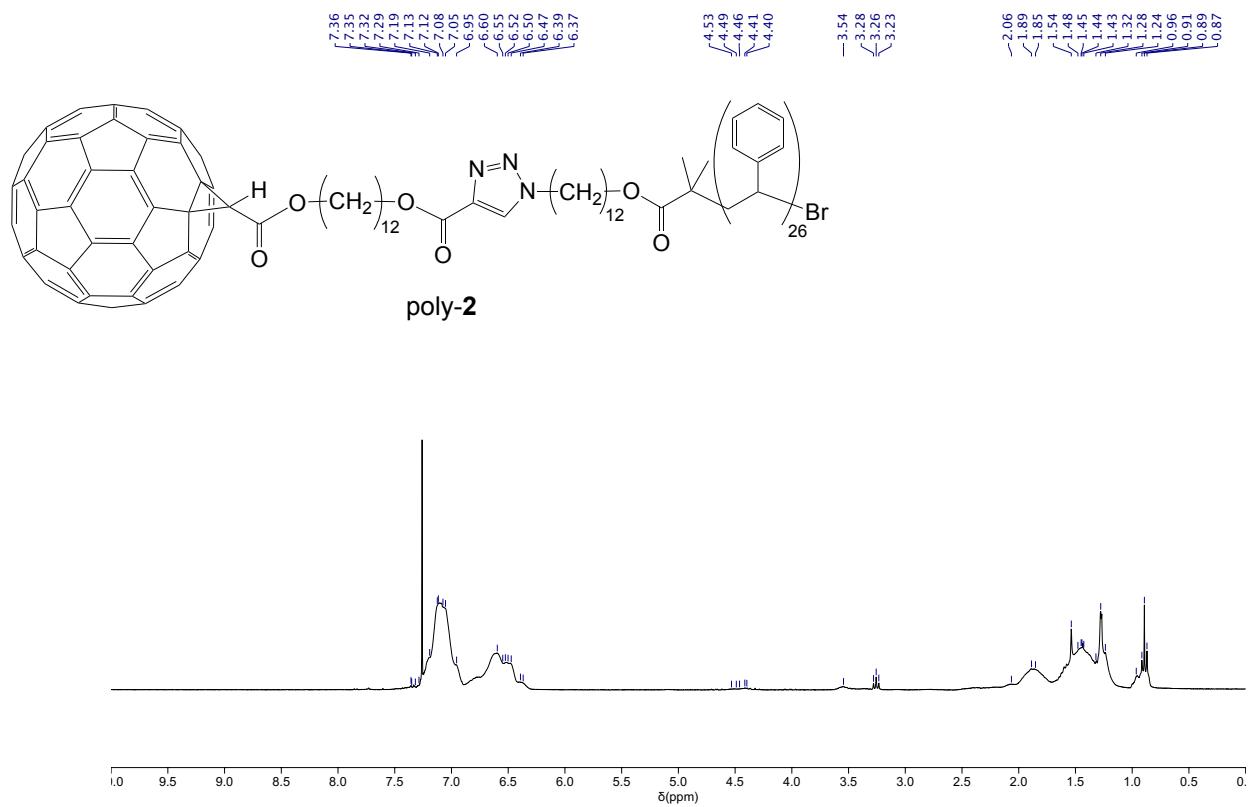
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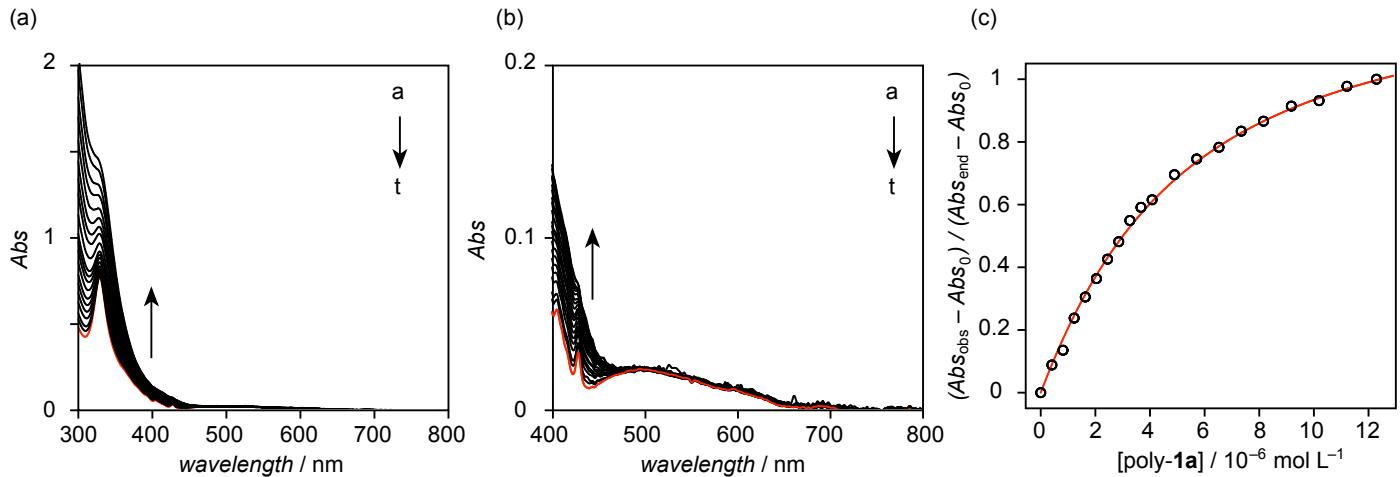
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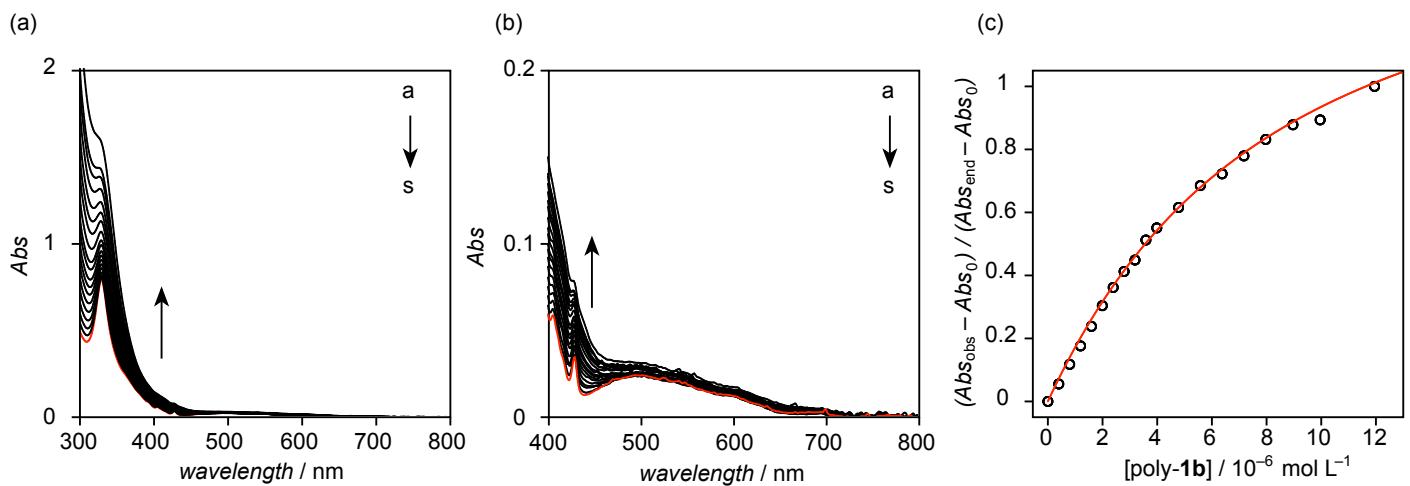
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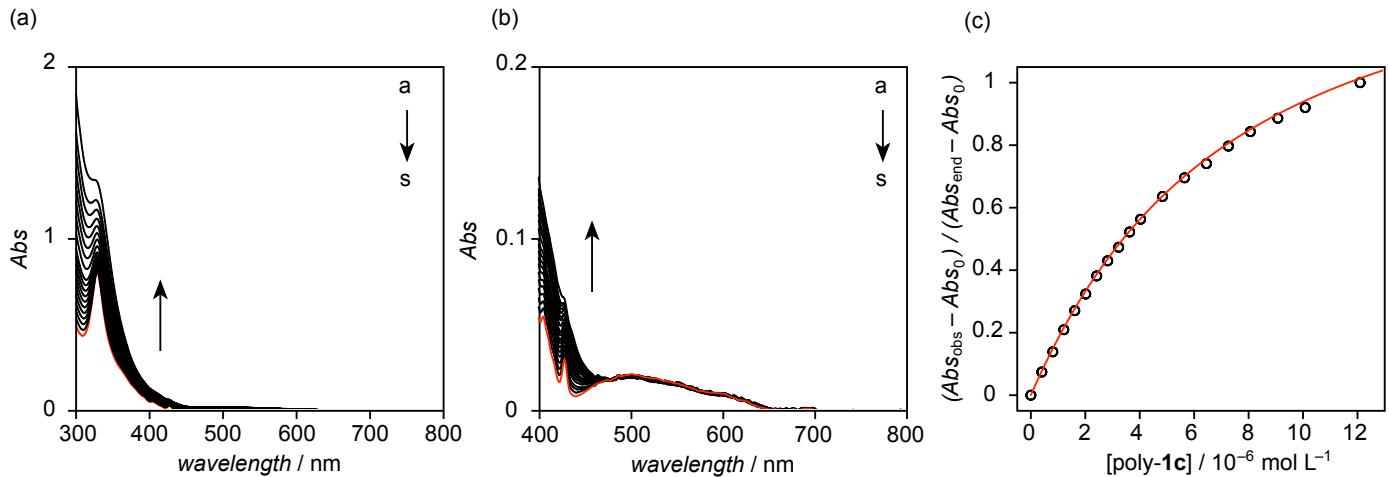
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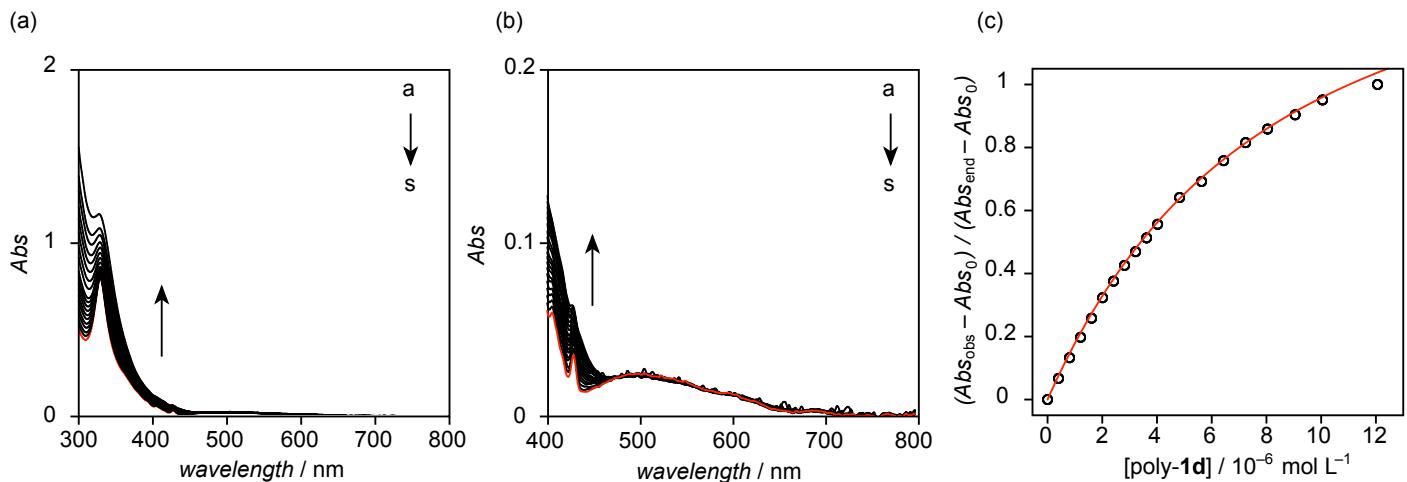
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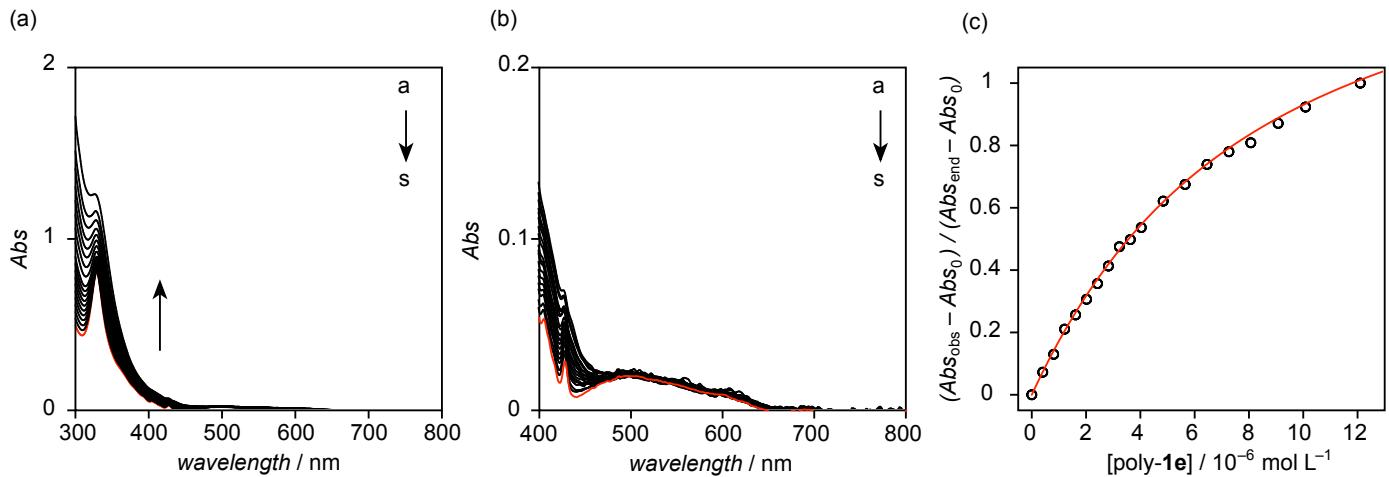
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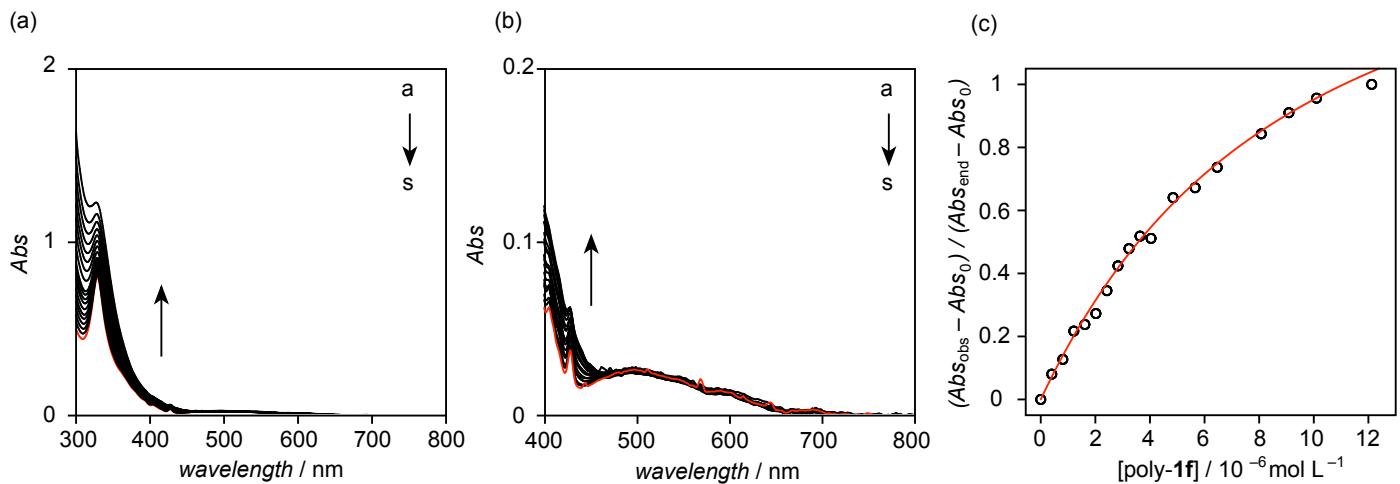
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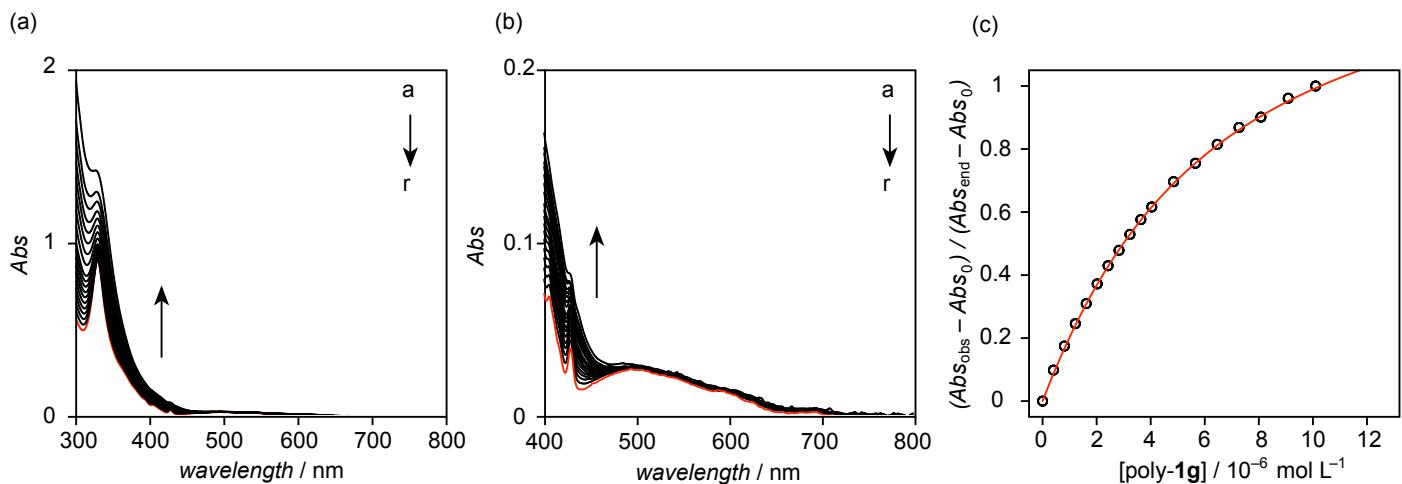
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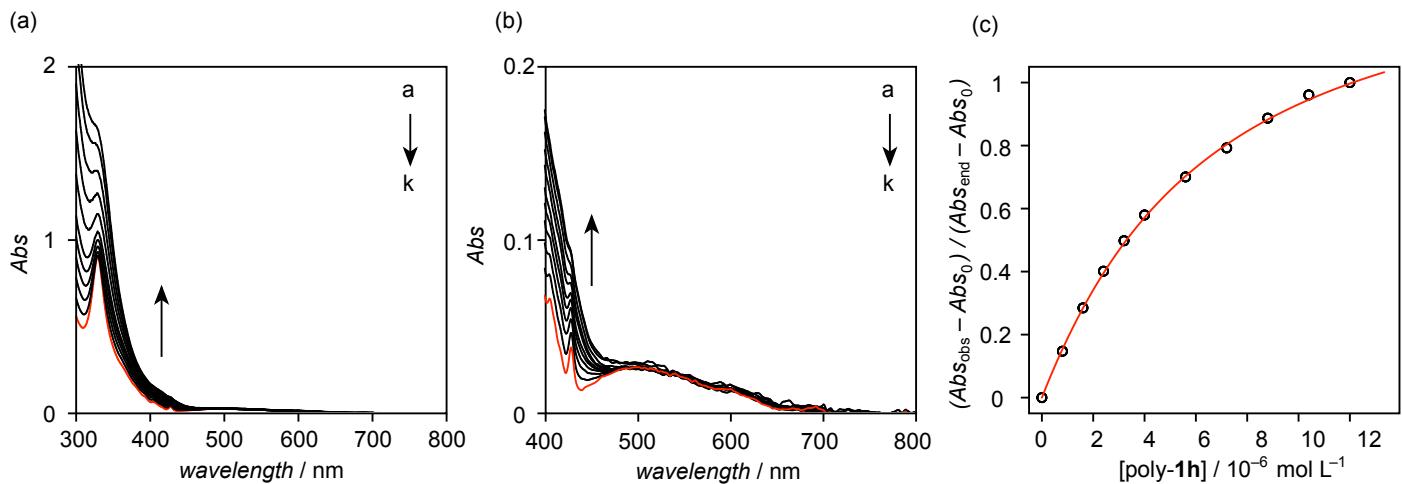
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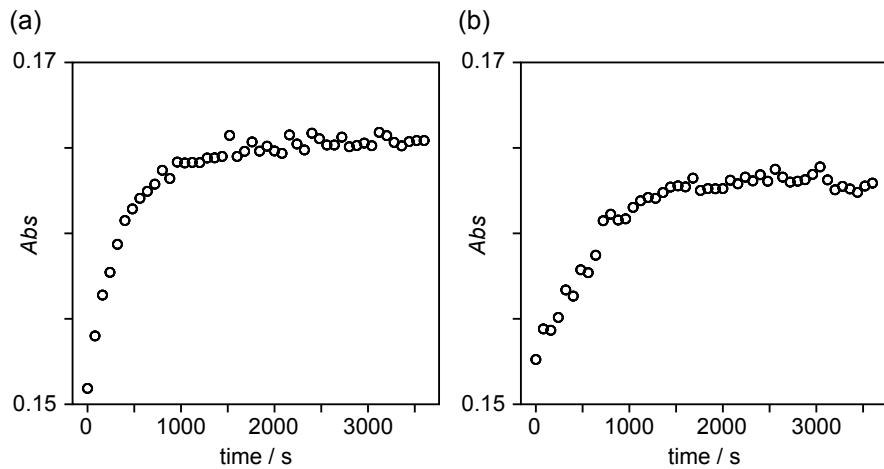
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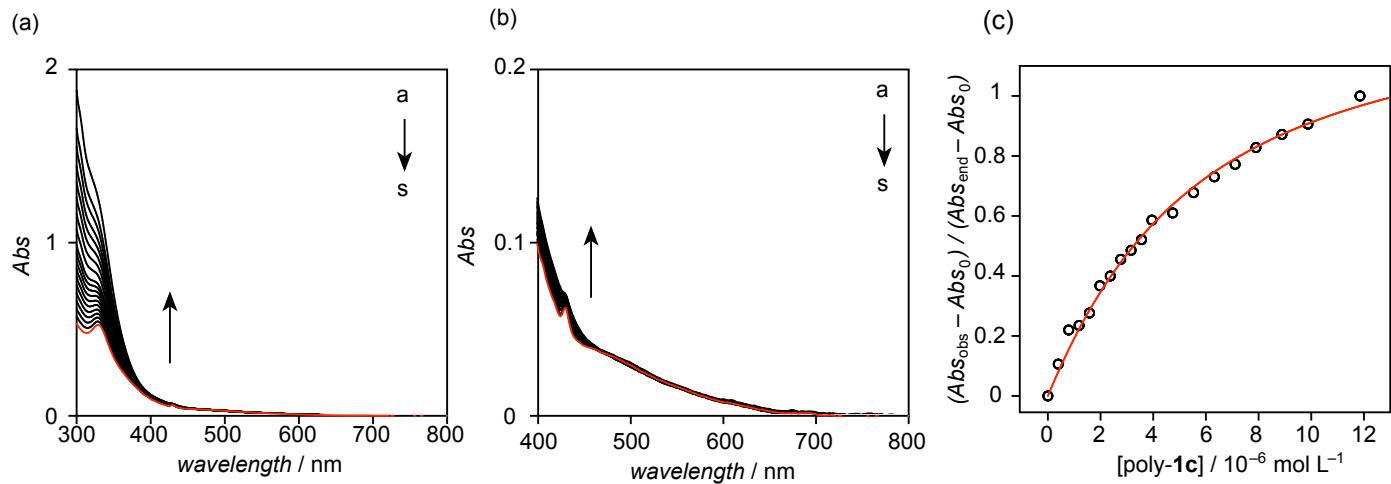
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**Figure S31.** (a) UV-vis absorption spectra of **2** ( $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>) and (b) its expanded view upon addition of poly-**1h** at 25 °C in chloroform. The concentrations of poly-**1h** are a–k: 0.0, 0.8, 1.6, 2.4, 3.2, 4.0, 5.6, 7.2, 8.8, 10, 12 × 10<sup>-5</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup> estimated from its M<sub>n</sub>. The red line indicates the absorption spectrum of **2** ( $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>). (c) Plot of normalized  $\Delta Abs$  (400 nm) against [poly-**1h**] and the fitting curve obtained by a 1:1 fitting model, where  $Abs_{obs}$ ,  $Abs_0$ , and  $Abs_{end}$  denote observed  $Abs$  at each concentration,  $Abs$  of poly-**1h**, and  $Abs$  of poly-**1h** in the presence of **2** ( $12 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>), respectively.



**Figure S32.** Time-dependent changes in the absorbance value at 427 nm seen in (a) an equimolar mixture of **1** and **2**, and (b) an equimolar mixture of poly-**1b** and **2**. The initial concentration of **1**, **2** and poly-**1b** is  $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S33.** (a) UV/vis absorption spectra of poly-**2** ( $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>) and (b) its expanded view upon addition of poly-**1c** at 25 °C in toluene. The concentrations of poly-**1c** are a–s: 0.0, 0.4, 0.8, 1.2, 1.6, 2.0, 2.4, 2.8, 3.2, 3.5, 4.0, 4.7, 5.5, 6.4, 7.1, 8.0, 8.9, 10, 12  $\times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup> estimated from its M<sub>n</sub>. The red line indicates the absorption spectrum of poly-**2** ( $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>). (c) Plot of normalized  $\Delta Abs$  (400 nm) against [poly-**1c**] and the fitting curve obtained by a 1:1 fitting model, where  $Abs_{obs}$ ,  $Abs_0$ , and  $Abs_{end}$  denote observed  $Abs$  at each concentration,  $Abs$  of poly-**1c**, and  $Abs$  of poly-**1c** in the presence of poly-**2** ( $12 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>), respectively.