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## Mussel-Inspired Zwitterionic Copolyethers for Antifouling Biomedical Surfaces

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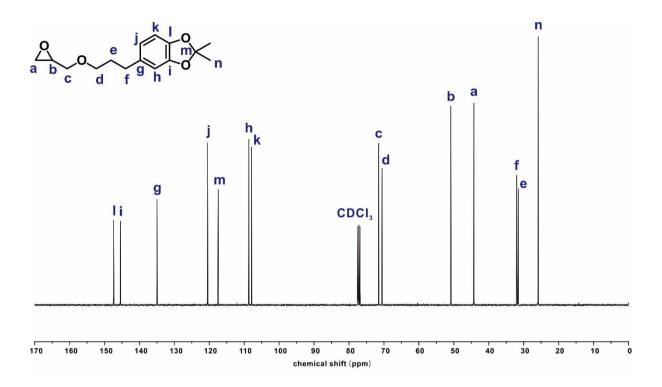


Fig. S1 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of CAGE (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

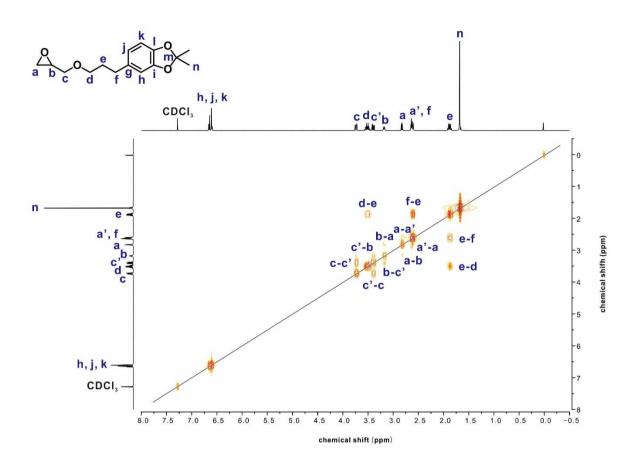


Fig. S2 COSY NMR spectrum of CAGE (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

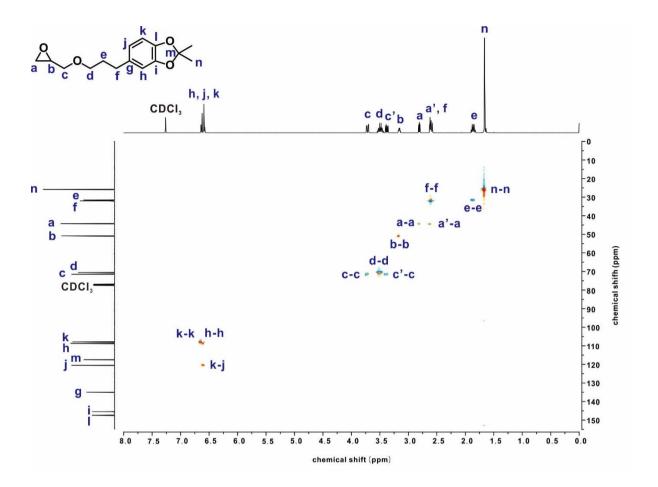
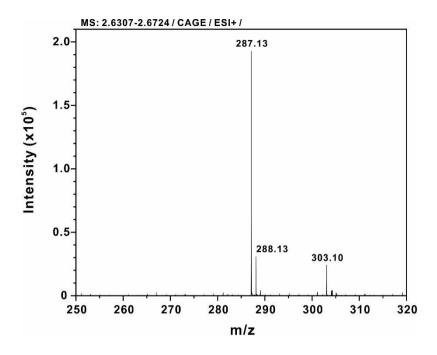


Fig. S3 HSQC NMR spectrum of CAGE measured in CDCl<sub>3.</sub>



**Fig. S4** ESI-MS spectrum of CAGE (m/z):  $C_{15}H_{20}O_4Na$  ([M + Na]<sup>+</sup>), calcd. 287.31, found. 287.13.

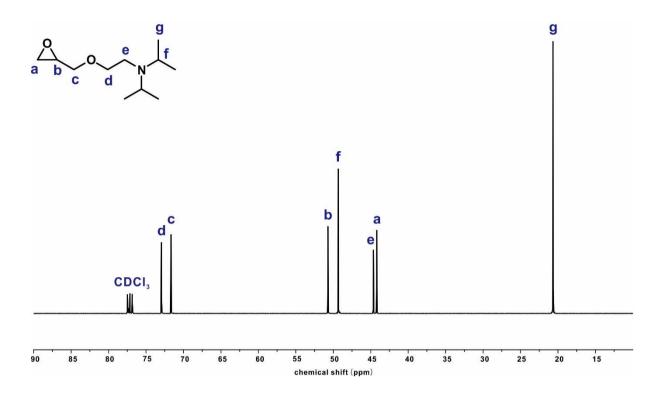


Fig. S5 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of DEGE (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

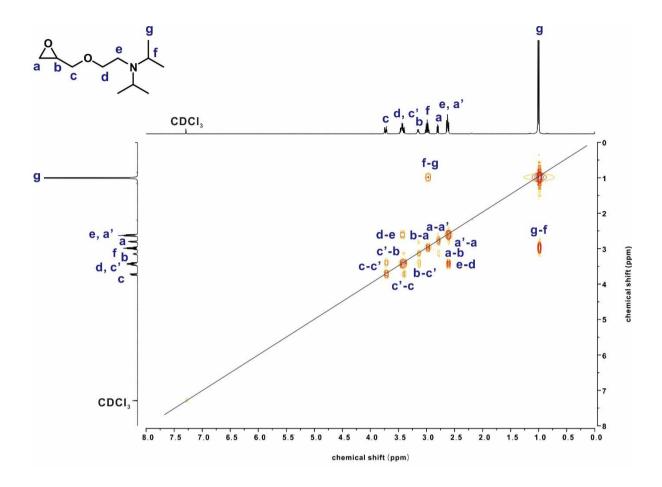


Fig. S6 COSY NMR spectrum of DEGE (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

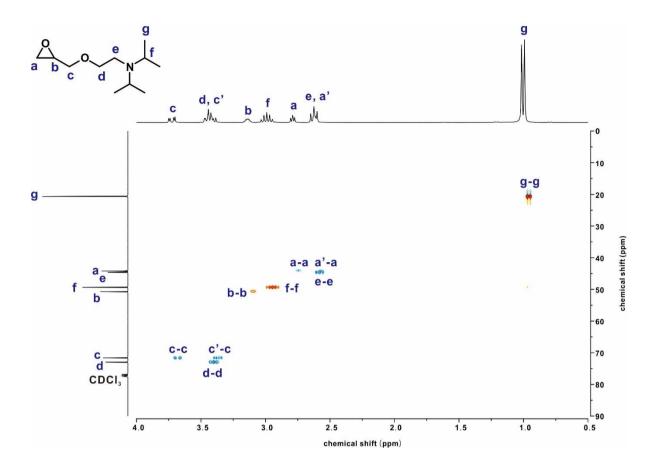
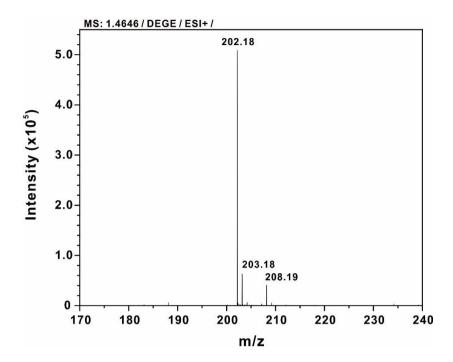
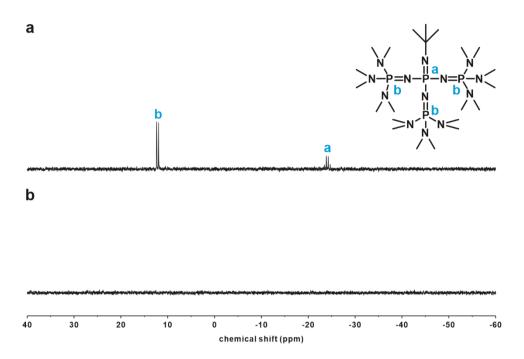


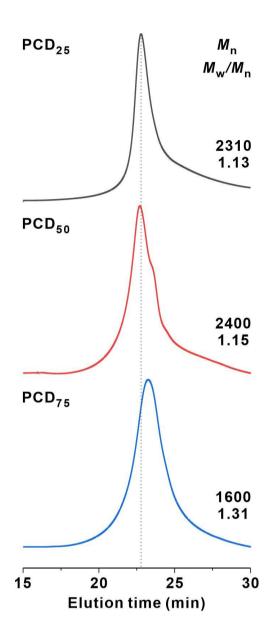
Fig. S7 HSQC NMR spectrum of DEGE in CDCl<sub>3.</sub>



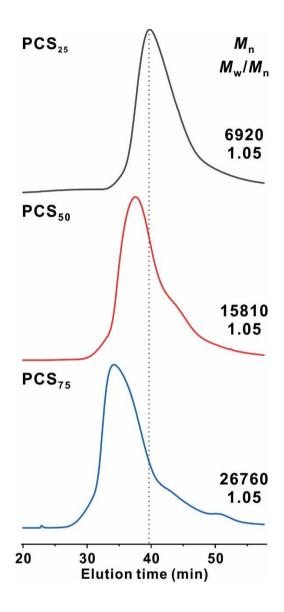
**Fig. S8** ESI-MS spectrum of DEGE (m/z):  $C_{11}H_{23}NO_2H$  ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), calcd. 202.32, found. 202.18.



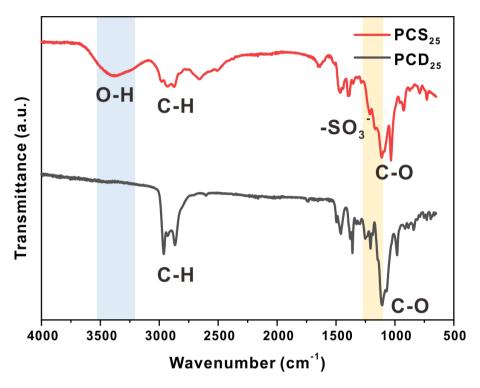
**Fig. S9**  $^{31}$ P NMR spectrum of (a) polymer mixture with *t*-BuP<sub>4</sub> and (b) polymer sample after purification steps (122 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



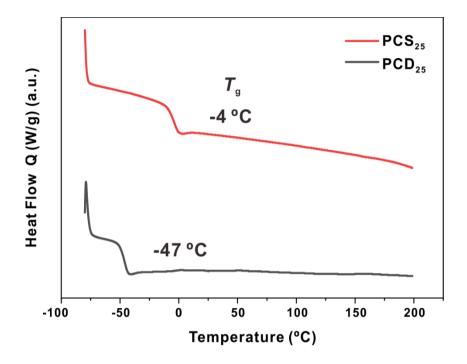
**Fig. S10** GPC elution traces of P(CAGE-*b*-DEGE) block copolymers (PCD<sub>25</sub>, PCD<sub>50</sub>, and PCD<sub>75</sub> in Table 1).



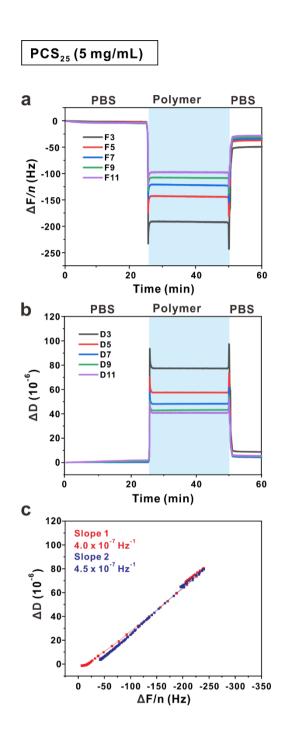
**Fig. S11** GPC elution traces of P(CGE-*b*-SB) block copolymers (PCS<sub>25</sub>, PCS<sub>50</sub>, and PCS<sub>75</sub> in Table 1).



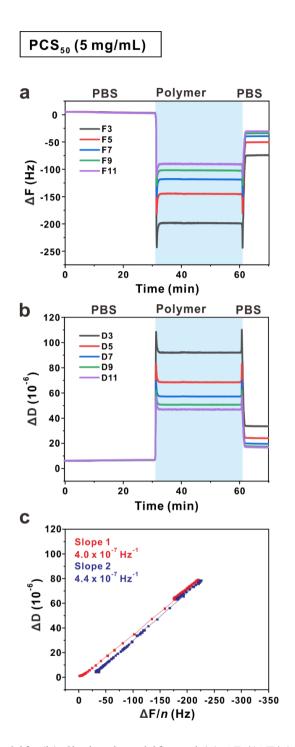
**Fig. S12** FT-IR spectra of (black) P(CAGE<sub>5</sub>-b-DEGE<sub>20</sub>) and (red) P(CGE<sub>5</sub>-b-SB<sub>20</sub>) block copolymers (PCD<sub>25</sub> and PCS<sub>25</sub> in Table 1).



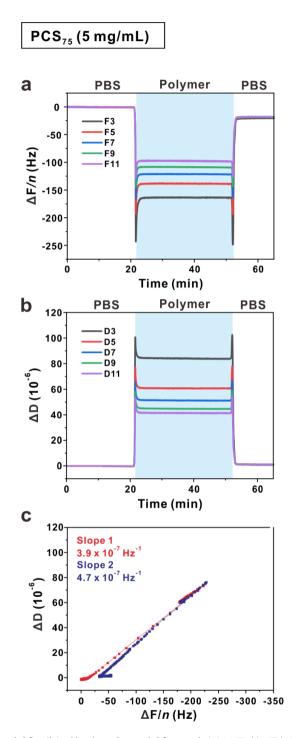
**Fig. S13** DSC thermograms of (black) P(CAGE<sub>5</sub>-b-DEGE<sub>20</sub>) and (red) P(CGE<sub>5</sub>-b-SB<sub>20</sub>) block copolymers (PCD<sub>25</sub> and PCS<sub>25</sub> in Table 1).



**Fig. S14** (a) Frequency shift, (b) dissipation shift, and (c)  $\Delta D/(\Delta F/n)$  plot of the adsorption of the PCS<sub>25</sub> on QCM-D gold substrate. The sections where the polymer was coated and washed are the red section and the blue section, respectively. Slope 1 and slope 2 means the slope of the coating section and washing section, respectively.



**Fig. S15** (a) Frequency shift, (b) dissipation shift, and (c)  $\Delta D/(\Delta F/n)$  plot of the adsorption of the PCS<sub>50</sub> on QCM-D gold substrate. The sections where the polymer was coated and washed are the red section and the blue section, respectively. Slope 1 and slope 2 means the slope of the coating section and washing section, respectively.



**Fig. S16** (a) Frequency shift, (b) dissipation shift, and (c)  $\Delta D/(\Delta F/n)$  plot of the adsorption of the PCS<sub>75</sub> on QCM-D gold substrate. The sections where the polymer was coated and washed are the red section and the blue section, respectively. Slope 1 and slope 2 means the slope of the coating section and washing section, respectively.