

Supplementary Information

Synthesis and Purification of Poly (L-lactic acid) Using A One Step Benign Process

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S.Table 1. Multiple comparison among levels using Tukey Simultaneous Tests with response variable M_n

	Levels	Mean difference	Standard Error of Difference	Adjusted P value
Temperature	1-2	209.6 **	57.76	0.0046
	1-3	308.7***	57.76	0.0001
	2-3	99.11	57.76	0.2240
Time	1-2	298.2***	57.76	0.0001
	1-3	184.0*	57.76	0.0124
	2-3	-114.2	57.76	0.1438
Pressure	1-2	88.7	57.76	0.2964
	1-3	-132.1	57.76	0.0809
	2-3	-220.8**	57.76	0.0029

* The mean difference is significant at 95% confidence interval ** The mean difference is significant at 99% confidence interval, ***The mean difference is significant at 99.9% confidence interval

S.Table 2. Multiple comparison among levels using Tukey Simultaneous Tests with response variable yield

	Levels	Mean difference	Standard Error of Difference	Adjusted P value
Temperature	1-2	8.989*	3.031	0.0200
	1-3	11.061**	3.031	0.0044
	2-3	2.072	3.031	0.7756
Time	1-2	6.028	3.031	0.1409
	1-3	9.822**	3.031	0.109
	2-3	3.794	3.031	0.47378
Pressure	1-2	4.406	3.031	0.3338
	1-3	-4.322	3.031	0.3470
	2-3	-8.728*	3.031	0.0241

* The mean difference is significant at 95% confidence interval ** The mean difference is significant at 99% confidence interval

S.Table 3. Multiple comparison among levels using Tukey Simultaneous Tests with response variable PDI

	Levels	Mean difference	Standard Error of Difference	Adjusted P value
Temperature	1-2	0.09667*	0.02997	0.0113
	1-3	0.18111***	0.02997	0.0000
	2-3	0.08444*	0.02997	0.0275
Time	1-2	0.02222	0.02997	0.7422
	1-3	0.06556	0.02997	0.0979
	2-3	0.04333	0.02997	0.3375

Pressure	1-2	-0.01111	0.02997	0.9273
	1-3	0.01556	0.02997	0.8630
	2-3	0.02667	0.02997	0.6528

* The mean difference is significant at 95% confidence interval ** *The mean difference is significant at 99.9% confidence interval

S.Table 4. ANOVA results of S/N ratio for M_n

Source	Degree of Freedom	Sequential Sum of Squares	Adjusted Mean Square	F Value	Percentage contribution (%)
Temperature	2	4.3951	2.1975	4.74	29.61
Time	2	1.0938	2.0469	4.41	27.04
Pressure	2	2.2893	1.1446	2.47	11.64
Error	2	0.9278	0.4639		
Total	8	11.7059			

S.Table 5 ANOVA results of S/N ratio for yield

Source	Degree of Freedom	Sequential Sum of Squares	Adjusted Mean Square	F Value	Percentage contribution (%)
Temperature	2	2.4079	2.4079	6.14	34.689
Time	2	1.7133	1.7133	4.37	22.715
Pressure	2	1.2947	1.2947	3.30	15.522
Error	2	0.3922	0.3922		
Total	8	5.8081			

S.Table 6. ANOVA results of S/N ratio for PDI

Source	Degree of Freedom	Sequential Sum of Squares	Adjusted Mean Square	F Value	Percentage contribution (%)
Temperature	2	2.3601	1.1701	20.81	80.21
Time	2	0.2931	0.1465	2.61	7.19
Pressure	2	0.0459	0.0229	0.41	0.00
Error	2	0.1125	0.0562		
Total	8	2.7915			

S. Table 7. Comparison of PLLA characteristics produced by experiment and predicted by model

	Condition	T (°C)	t (hrs)	P (bars)	M _n (g/mol)	Yield (%)	PDI
Prediction	1	80	17	160	1940±140	93.0±4.6	1.23±0.05
Experiment	1	80	17	160	2180	94.3	1.28
	2 ^a	100	17	160	13700	92.5	1.26

^a PLLA synthesized with 100:1 L-LA:DEG molar ratio

¹H NMR Spectra

Table 2. Runs A

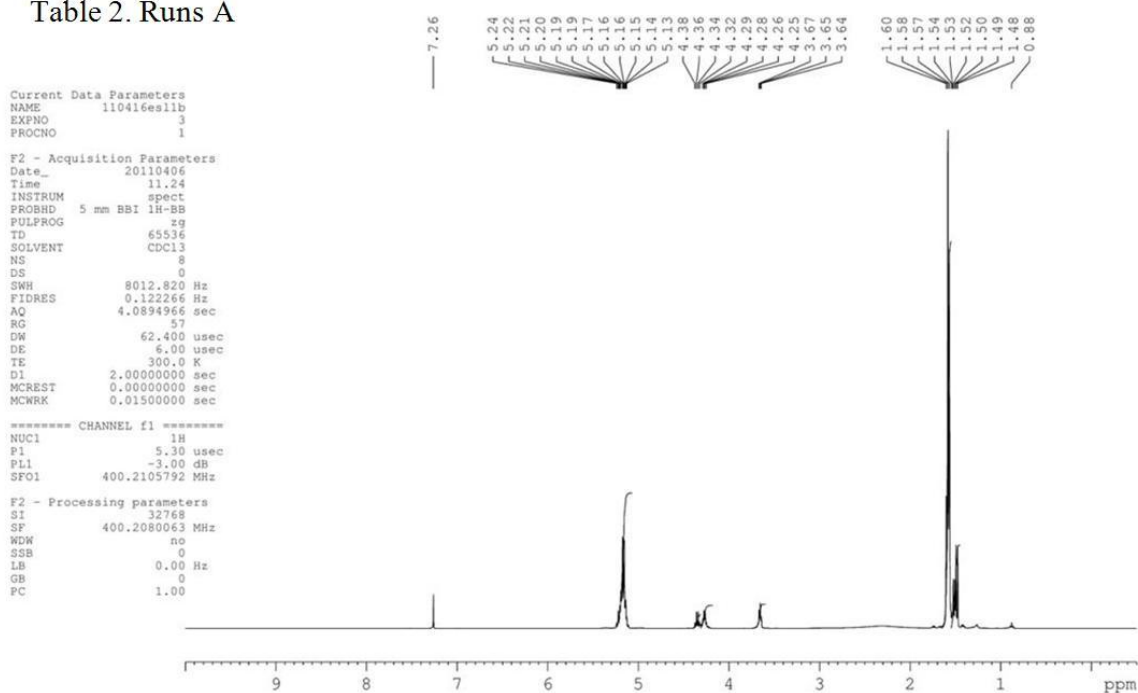


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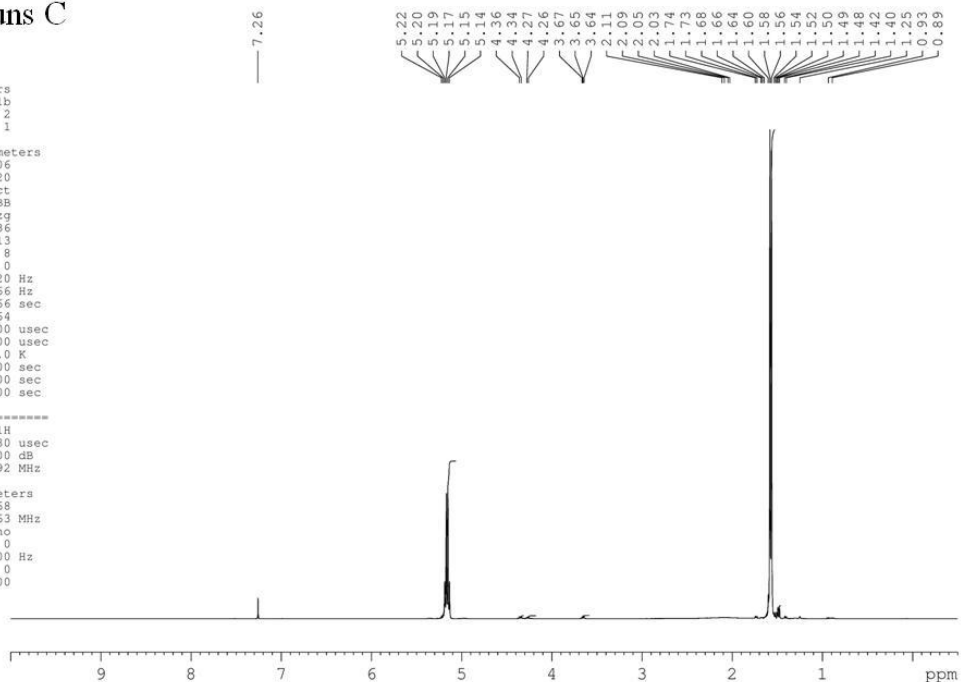


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