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Supplementary Information

Substrate-Directed Formation of Calcium Carbonate Fibres

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Characterisation details for (a) the PEO_{45}-$PGMA_{48}$ diblock copolymer precursor and (b) the corresponding PEO_{45}-2SA:$PGMA_{48}$ diblock copolymer obtained by esterification using excess succinic anhydride.

^{1}H NMR spectroscopy. All ^{1}H NMR spectra were recorded using a 300 MHz Bruker Avance DPX300 spectrometer in either D_2O or CD_3OD.

Gel Permeation Chromatography (DMF eluent). Molecular weights and molecular weight distributions of the diblock copolymer precursor were assessed using a GPC set-up comprising three Polymer Laboratories PL gel 5 μm mixed 'B' columns. Calibration was carried out using a series of near-monodisperse poly(methyl methacrylate) standards. The GPC eluent was HPLC grade DMF containing 0.01 M LiBr at a flow rate of 1.0 mL min^{-1}. The column temperature was set at 70°C.

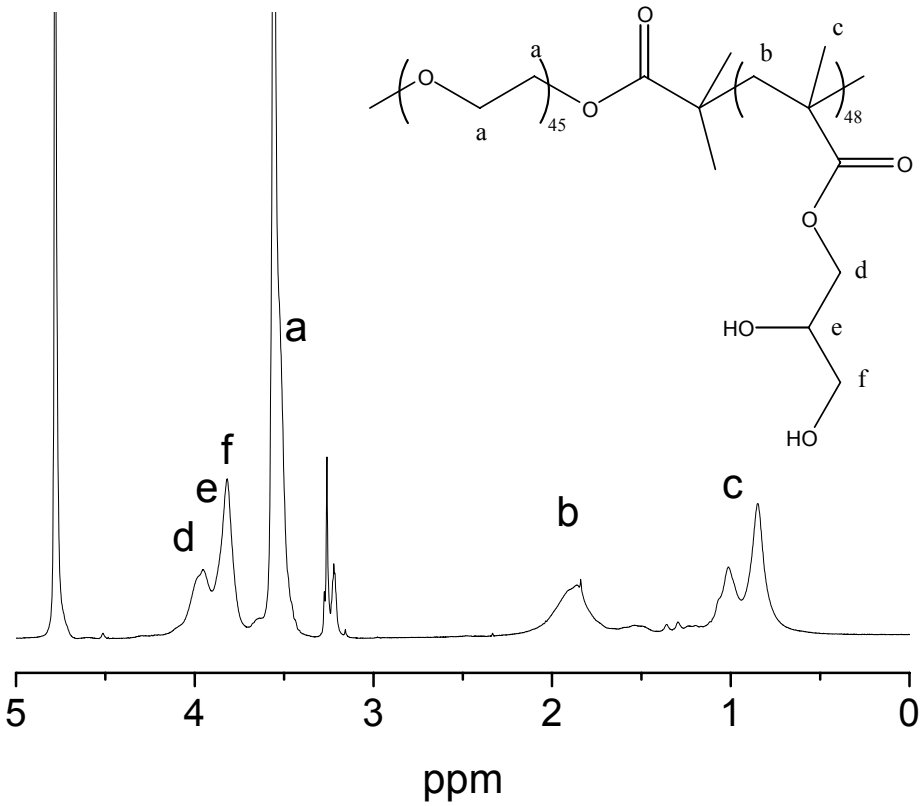

Figure S1: ^{1}H NMR spectrum (CD_3OD) of the PEO_{45}-$PGMA_{48}$ diblock copolymer precursor

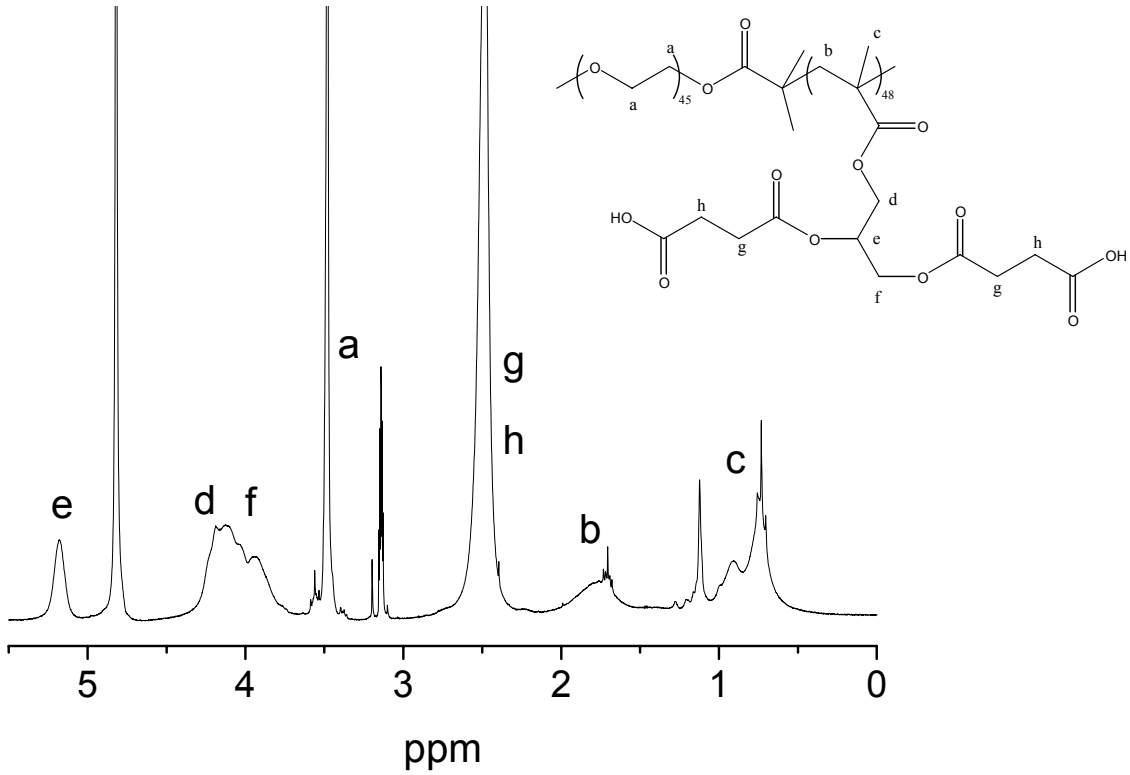

Figure S2: Typical ^{1}H NMR spectrum of PEO_{45}-2SA:$PGMA_{48}$ in D_2O.