

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

Polymeric micelles in porous and nanotubular implants as a new system for extended delivery of poorly soluble drugs

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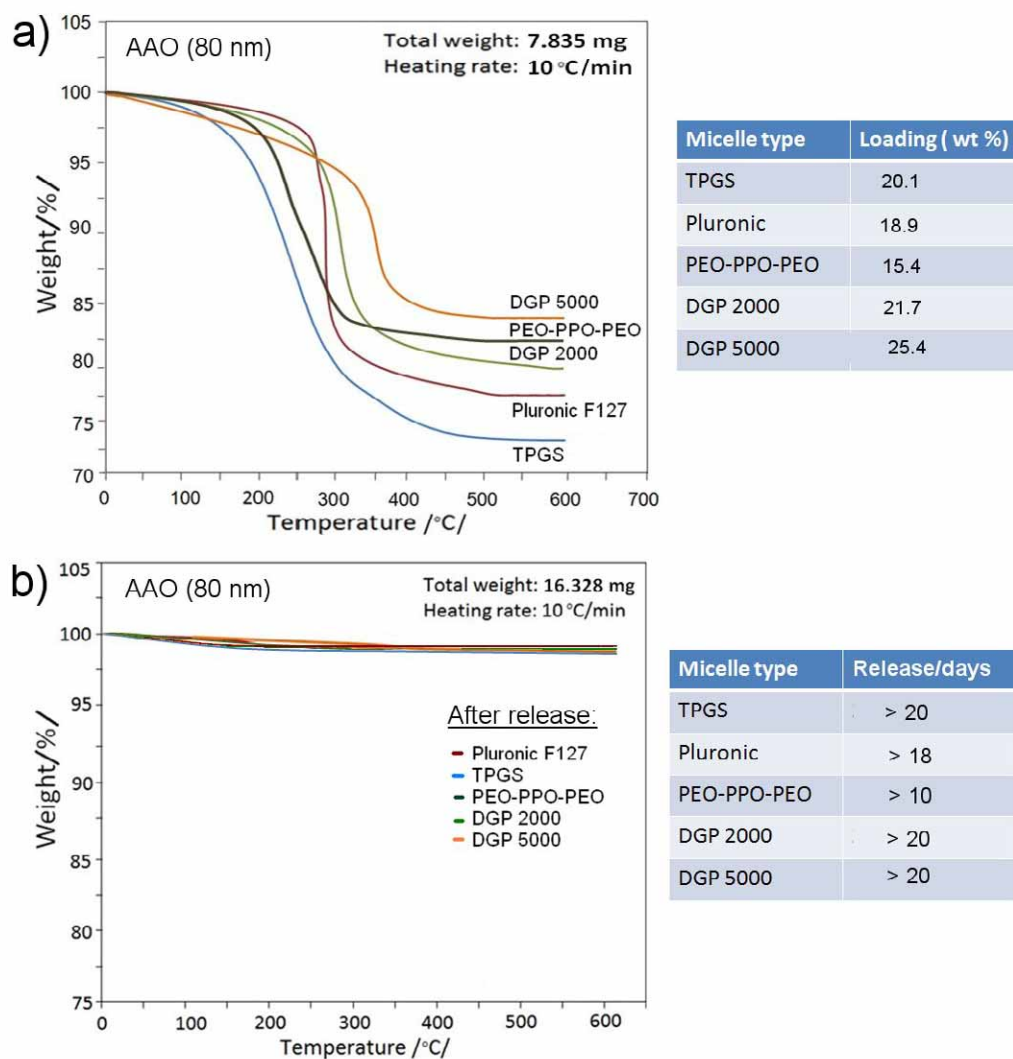


Figure S1. a) TGA graphs showing weight loss of five different types of micelles from AAO substrate to measure loading capacity of AAO. **b)** TGA graphs on the end of release process showing that micelles were released from nanopore structures.

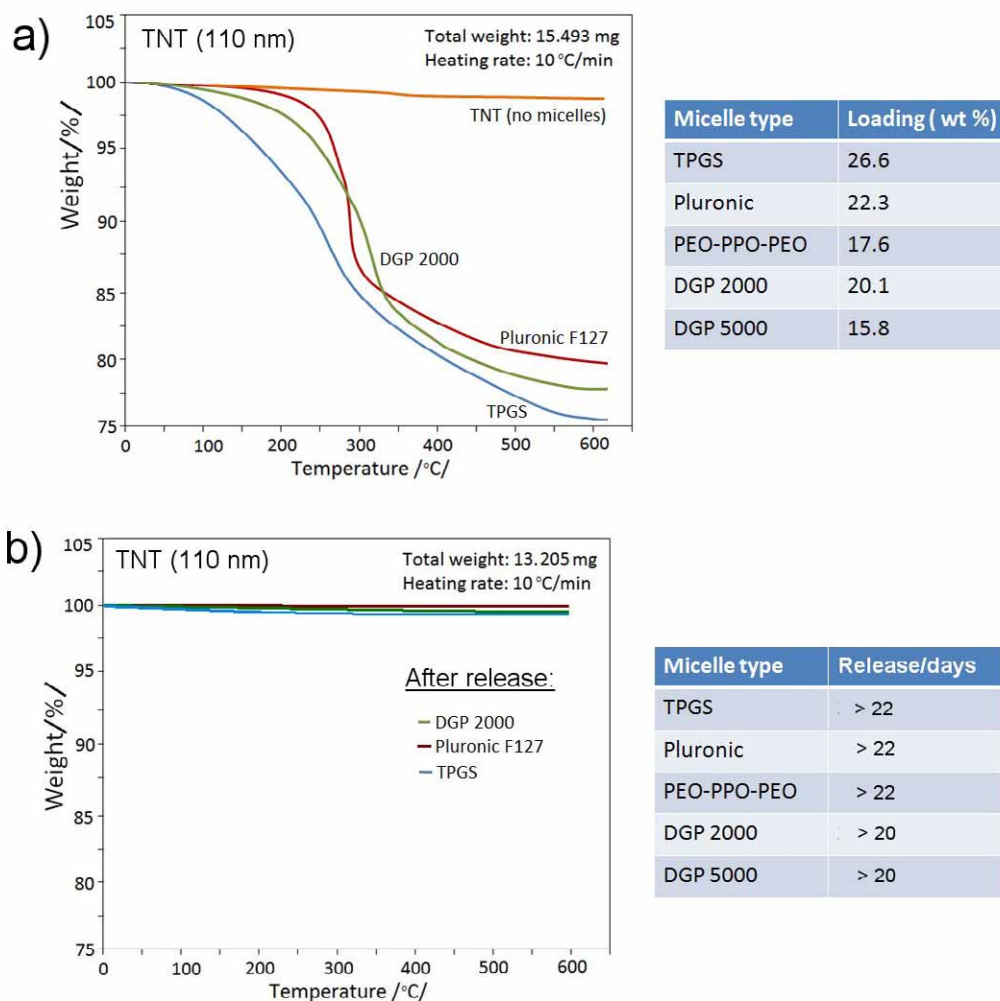


Figure S2. a) TGA graphs showing weight loss of selected types of micelles from TNT substrate to measure loading capacity of AAO. **b)** TGA graphs on the end of release process, showing that micelles were released from nanotube structures.

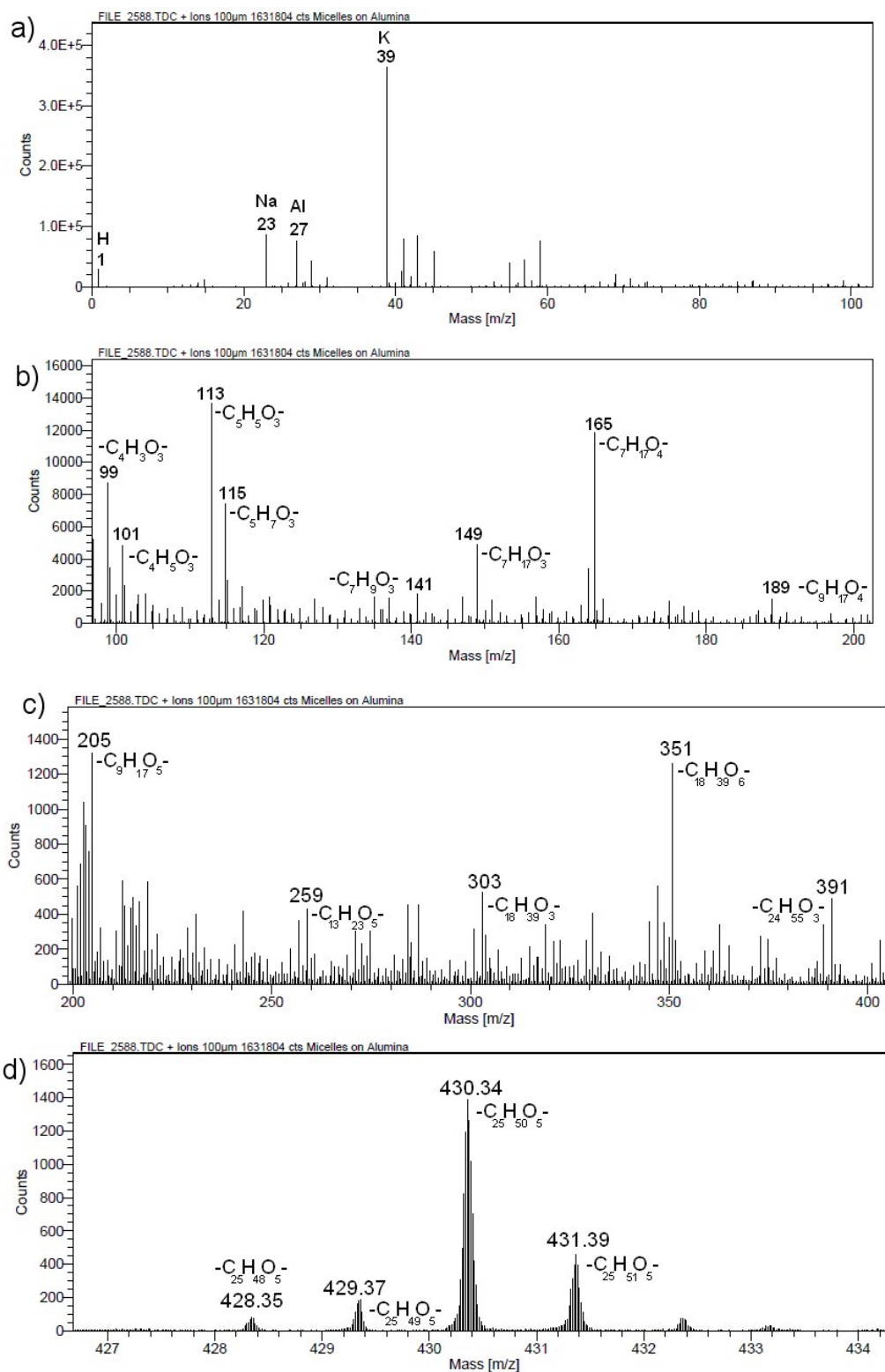


Figure S3. a) Tof-SIMS mass spectra of TPGS nanocarrier in AAO. cross-sectional analysis were performed for 5 min. to the 20 μ m depth b) Obtained mass spectra with assigned peaks in atomic mass number.

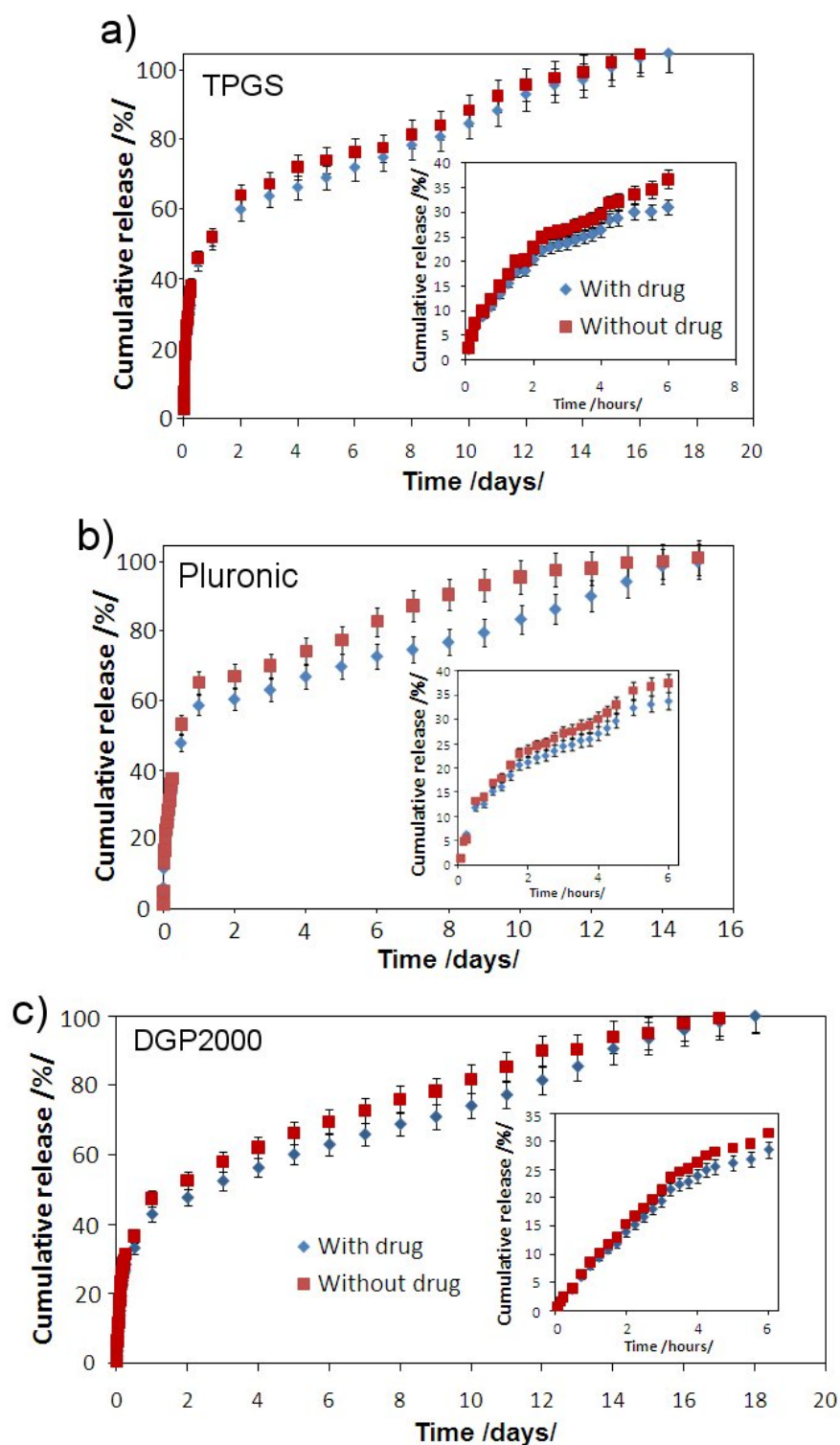


Figure S4. Comparative release graphs of different micelles on AAO a) TPG, b) Pluronic and c) DGP2000 without and with loaded drug (indomethacin). Insets show the burst release for the first 6 hours.

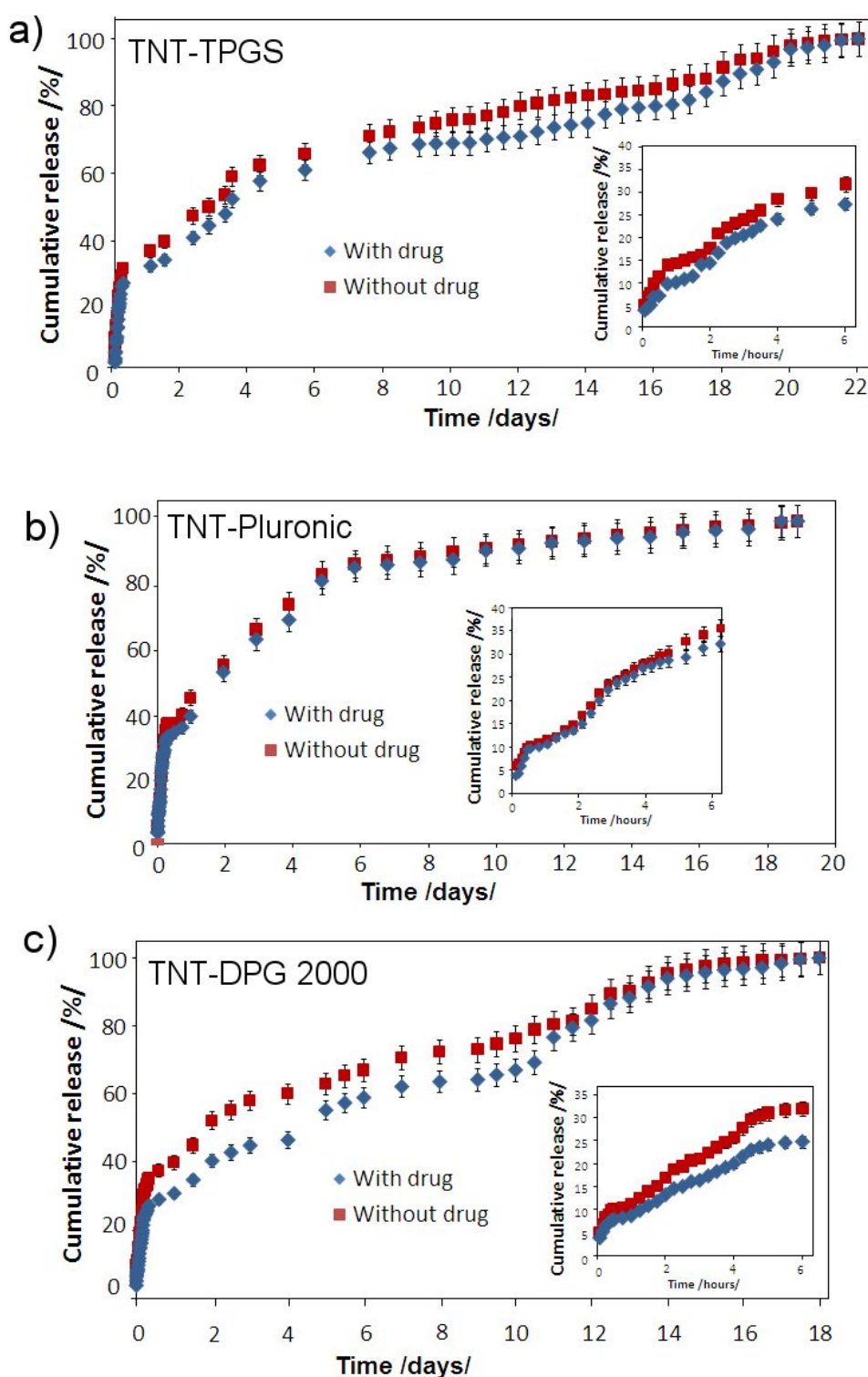


Figure S5. Comparative release graphs of different micelles on TNT a) TPG, b) Pluronic and c) DGP2000 without and with loaded drug (indomethacin). Insets show the burst release for the first 6 hours.

Table S1. Drug loading of selected micelles on AAO with different pore diameters

	Loading Wt. (%)			
<i>AAO Pore size</i>	65 nm	100 nm	130 nm	160 nm
<i>Micelle type</i>				
Pluronic F127	13.5	20.1	22.7	24.0
TPGS	14.9	23.2	23.8	24.5
DGP 2000	17.8	25.9	28.0	28.4

Table S2: Summary of fitting different models for the drug-micelle-nanotubes/pores system

Model type	Equation	Least square regression line, R^2					
		80 nm	AAO 65nm	100nm	130nm	160nm	TNT 110 nm
Higuchi	$Q_t = [2.092(A - 0.532)]^{0.5} \times t^{0.5} = k_t t^{0.5}$	0.95	0.90	0.97	0.88	0.81	0.96
Hixson-Crowell	$Q_t = 100 \left[1 - \left(1 - \left(\frac{k_t t}{4.0416} \right)^3 \right)^{1/3} \right]$	0.67	0.66	0.67	0.71	0.73	0.70
First order	$Q_t = 100(1 - e^{-k_t t})$	0.81	0.82	0.74	0.77	0.75	0.79
Zero order	$Q_t = k_t t$	0.97	0.98	0.97	0.95	0.97	0.97
Weibull	$Q_t = 100[1 - e^{-(k_t t)^{1.25}}]$	0.59	0.68	0.65	0.67	0.70	0.62
Korsmeyer-Peppas	$Q_t/Q_\infty = k_t t^n$	0.77	0.74	0.77	0.73	0.69	0.81