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**Fig. S1** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of copolymers of P(MEA-*co*-PEGA) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. (A) P(MEA<sub>86</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>10</sub>); (B) P(MEA<sub>76</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>18</sub>); (C) P(MEA<sub>70</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>30</sub>); (D) P(MEA<sub>84</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>15</sub>); (E) P(MEA<sub>75</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>25</sub>).



**Fig. S2** <sup>1</sup>H NMR in D<sub>2</sub>O of PDMA-*b*-P(MEA-*co*-PEGA) synthesized by dispersion polymerization. The molar ratio of PDMA, MEA and PEGA, and solid content are: (A) 1:80:20, 12.1%; (B) 1:90:10, 12.5%; (C) 1:127.5:22.5, 11.4%; (D) 1:170:30,10.9%; (E) 1:160:40,10.8%; (F) 1:170:30, 16.7%; (G) 1:85:15, 24.5%.



**Fig. S3** Plot of  $\ln(M0/M)$  vs time for solution polymerization in DMF. [CTA] = 29 mM in DMF, CTA:AIBN:monomer = 1:0.2:100, 70 °C. (A) Homopolymerization for PMEA<sub>97</sub>; (B) copolymerization for P(MEA<sub>86</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>10</sub>). (C) copolymerization for P(MEA<sub>70</sub>-*co*-PEGA<sub>30</sub>); and (D) homopolymerization for PPEGA<sub>97</sub>.



**Fig. S4** Plot of ln(M0/M) vs time for dispersion polymerization in water. Monomer content = 10% (w/v), [Macro-CTA]:[MEA+PEGA]:[V-50] = 1:100:0.05, 70 °C. (A) [MEA]:PEGA] = 90:10; (B) [MEA]:PEGA] = 85:15.



Fig. S5 Typical TEM image for nanogels.