

Supporting Information

Glycopolymer-Peptide Bioconjugates with Antioxidant Activity via RAFT Polymerization

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Determination of Pyridyldisulfide Functionality. PAcGlcEMA-PDS (1 mg) was dissolved in 1 mL of acetonitrile. 22.4 μ l of DTT (10 mg/mL) solution was added in the solution. After 3 h, UV absorbance of the solution was measured at 370 nm to determine the concentration of pyridine-2-thione in acetonitrile. The pyridyldisulfide functionality of the polymer was calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{Pyridyldisulfide functionality} = (\text{Absorbance of polymer sample at 370 nm} / \epsilon) \times (1/C_{\text{polymer}})$$

Where ϵ is the extinction coefficient of 2-pyridinethione in acetonitrile at 370 nm ($\epsilon = 2170 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$),¹ and C_{polymer} is the molar concentration of polymer calculated based on the molecular weight determined by ^1H NMR.

Turbidity Assay. A typical example is described as follows: PGlcEMA-GSH (1 mg) was dissolved in 1 mL of pH 7.4 PBS (phosphate buffered saline) buffer solution. The solution of Con A in PBS (pH 7.4) was added to PGlcEMA-GSH solutions. The transmittance of the mixed aqueous solution were determined by UV-vis spectroscopy at $\lambda = 420 \text{ nm}$ at various time.

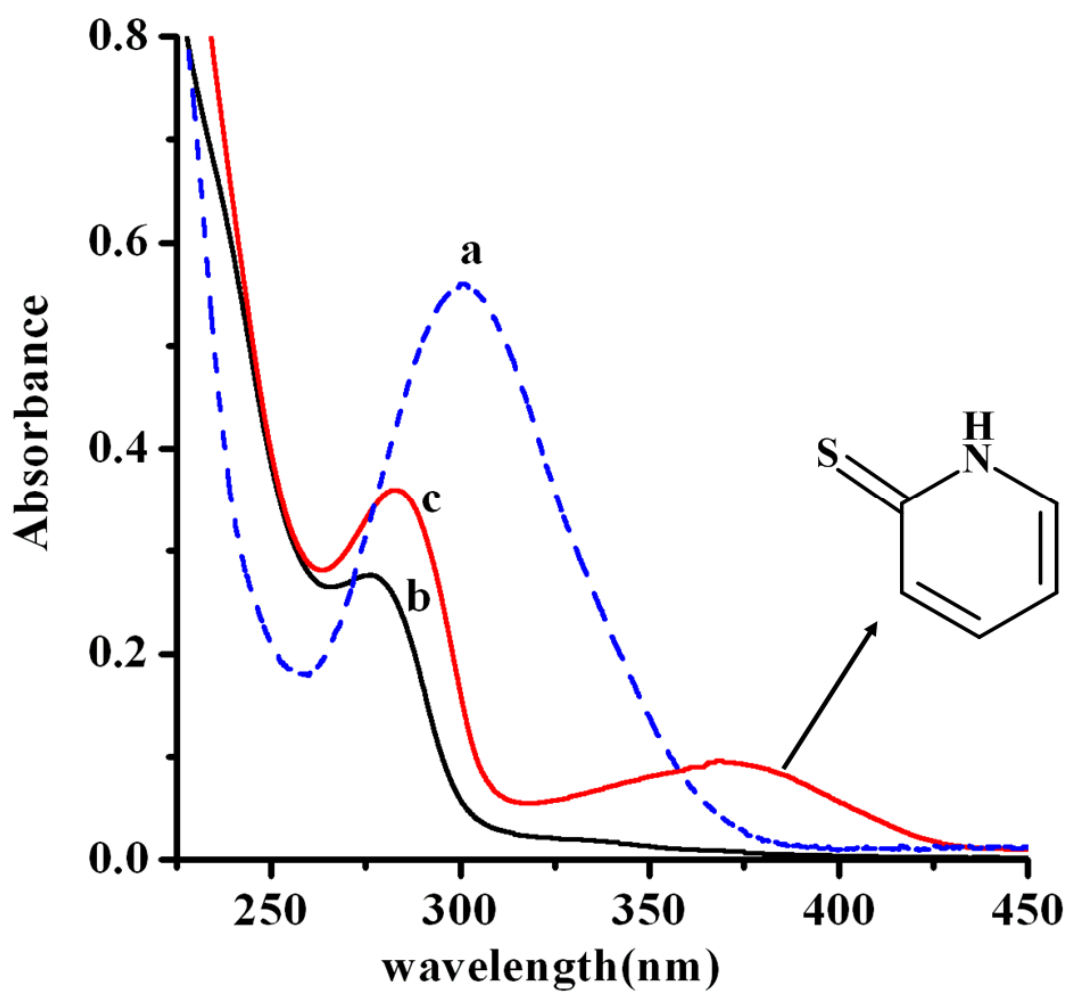


Fig. S1. Uv-vis spectra of (a) protected glycopolymers PAcGlcEMA (b) after modification with PDS (PAcGlcEMA-PDS) and (c) after reaction with DTT in acetonitrile.

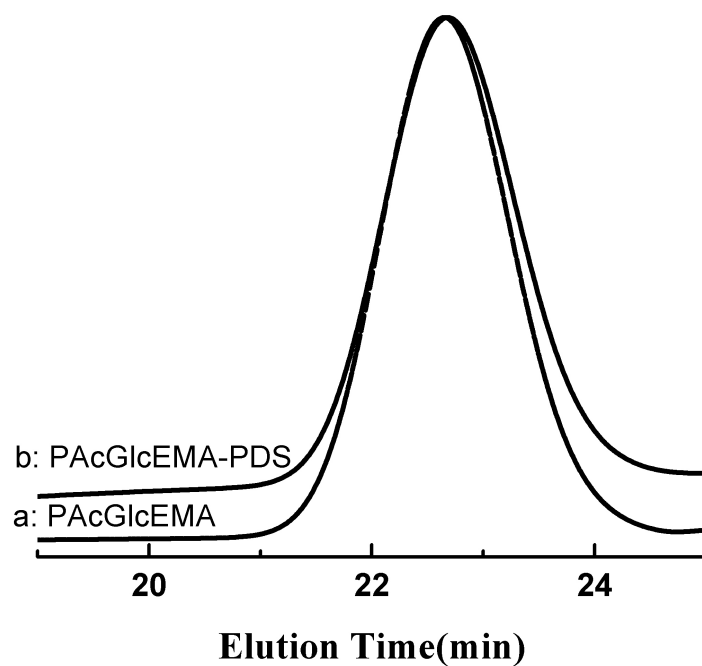


Fig. S2. GPC traces of (a) PAcGlcEMA and (b) PAcGlcEMA-PDS.

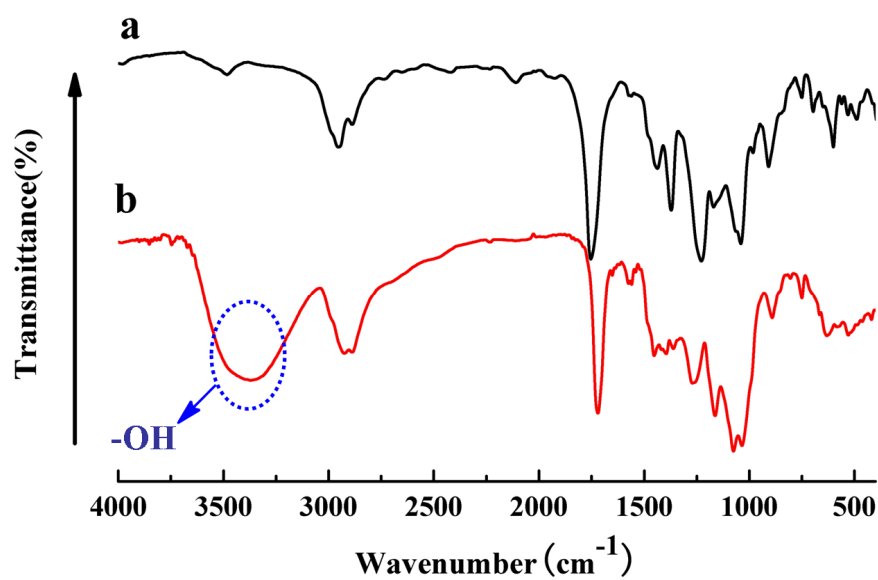


Fig. S3. FTIR spectra of (a) before and (b) after hydrolysis of PAcGlcEMA-PDS.

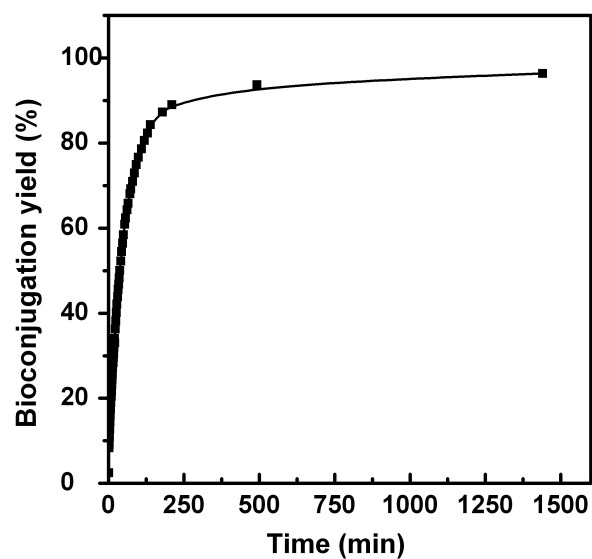


Fig. S4. Dependence of the bioconjugation yield of the reaction of PGLcEMA-PDS and peptide GSH on time.

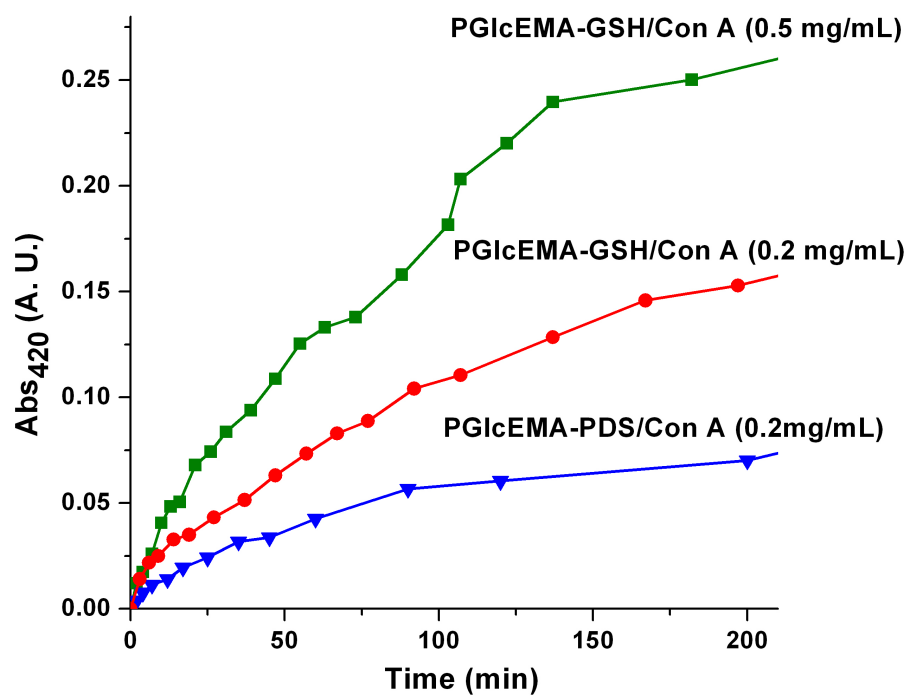


Fig. S5. Turbidimetry assay results. PGLcEMA-GSH (0.5 mg/mL), PGLcEMA-PDS (0.5 mg/mL), pH 7.4, PBS.

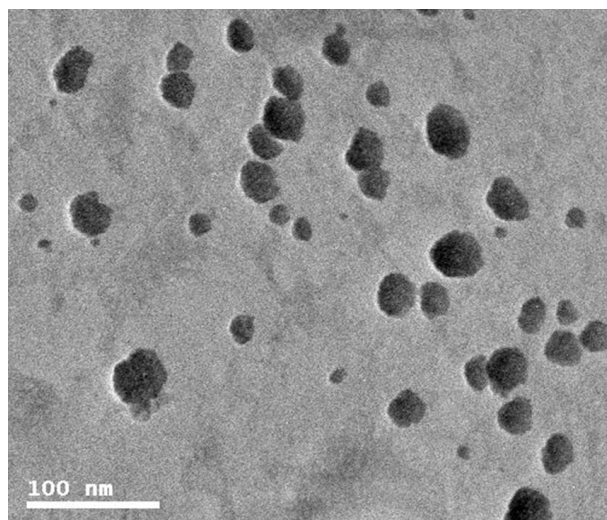


Fig. S6. TEM image of PGlcEMA-GSH/Con A in PBS solution (pH7.4).

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