

Supporting Information

Macromolecular Engineering via Ring-Opening Polymerization (3): Trimethylene Carbonate Block Copolymers derived from Glycerol

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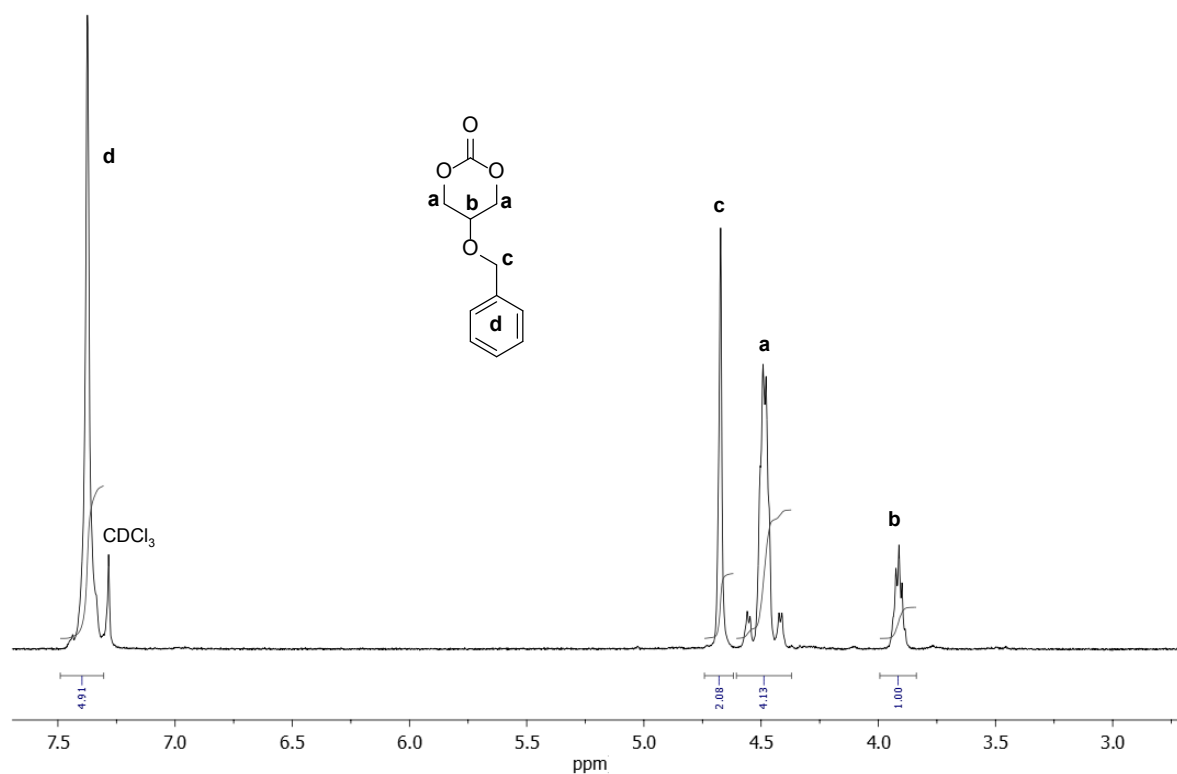


Figure S1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃, 23 °C) spectrum of BTMC.

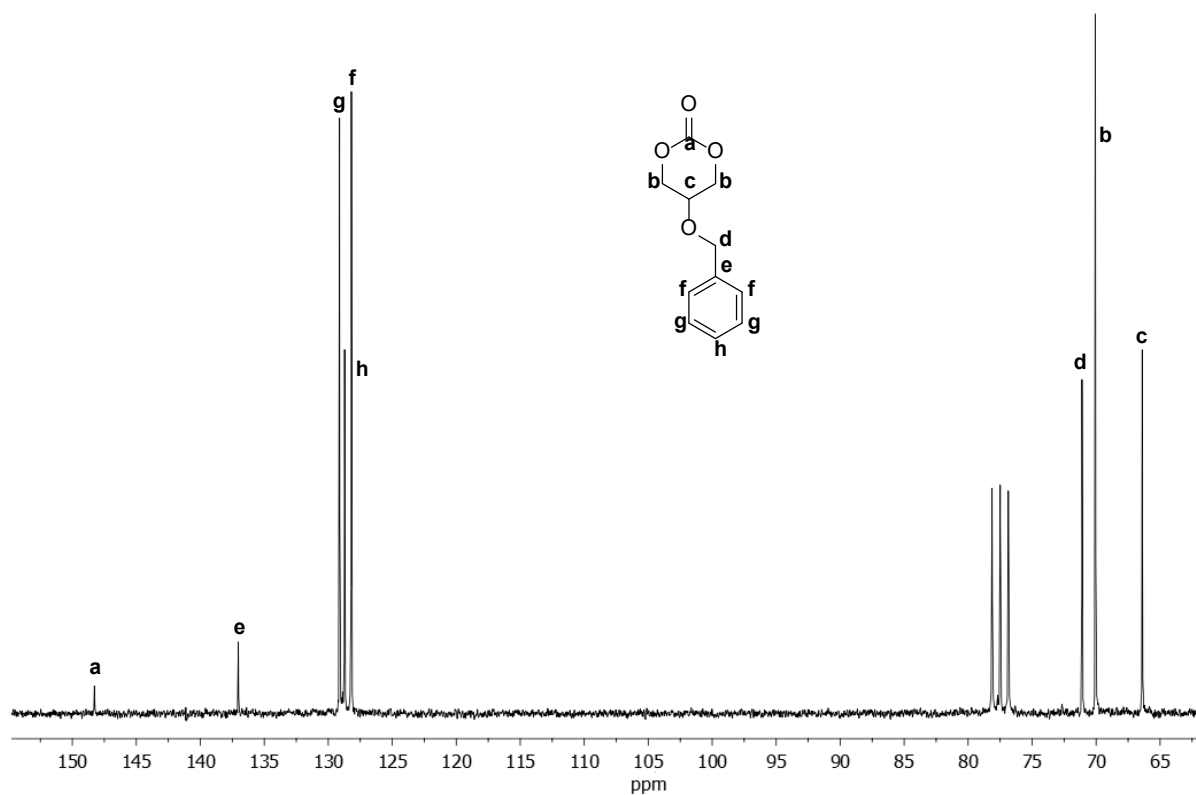


Figure S2. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (50 MHz, CDCl₃, 23 °C) spectrum of BTMC.

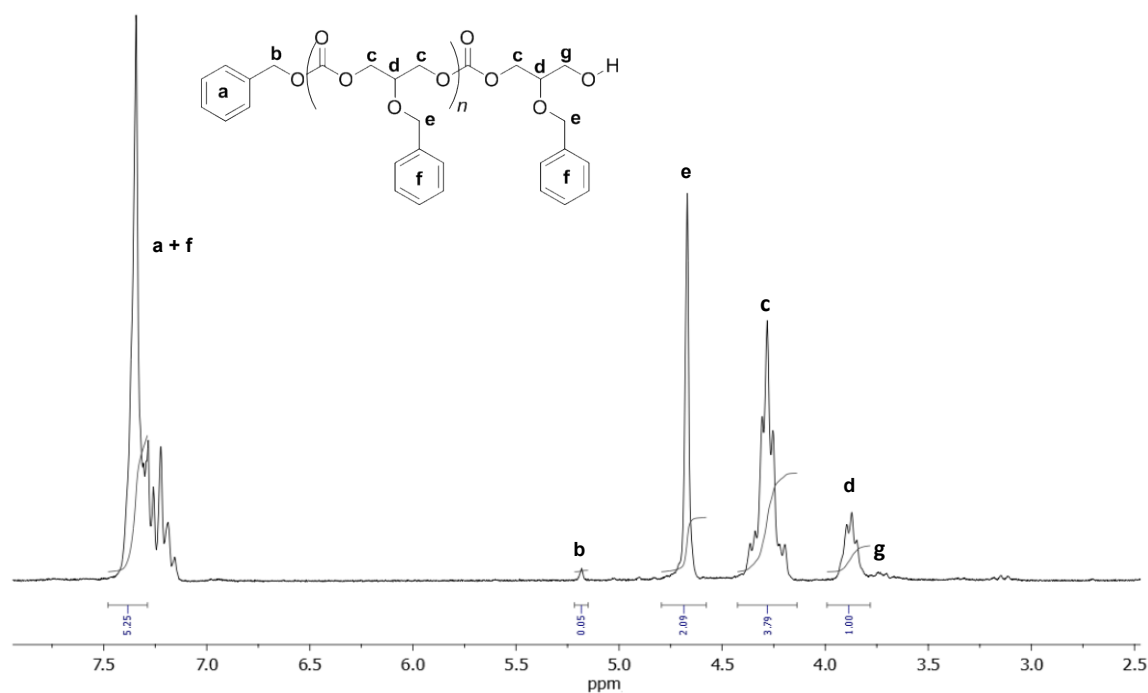


Figure S3. ^1H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl_3 , 23 °C) spectrum of a H-PBTMC-OBn synthesized from $[(\text{BDI}^{\text{iPr}})\text{Zn}(\text{N}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2)]/\text{BnOH}$ in bulk at 60° C (Table 1, entry 6).

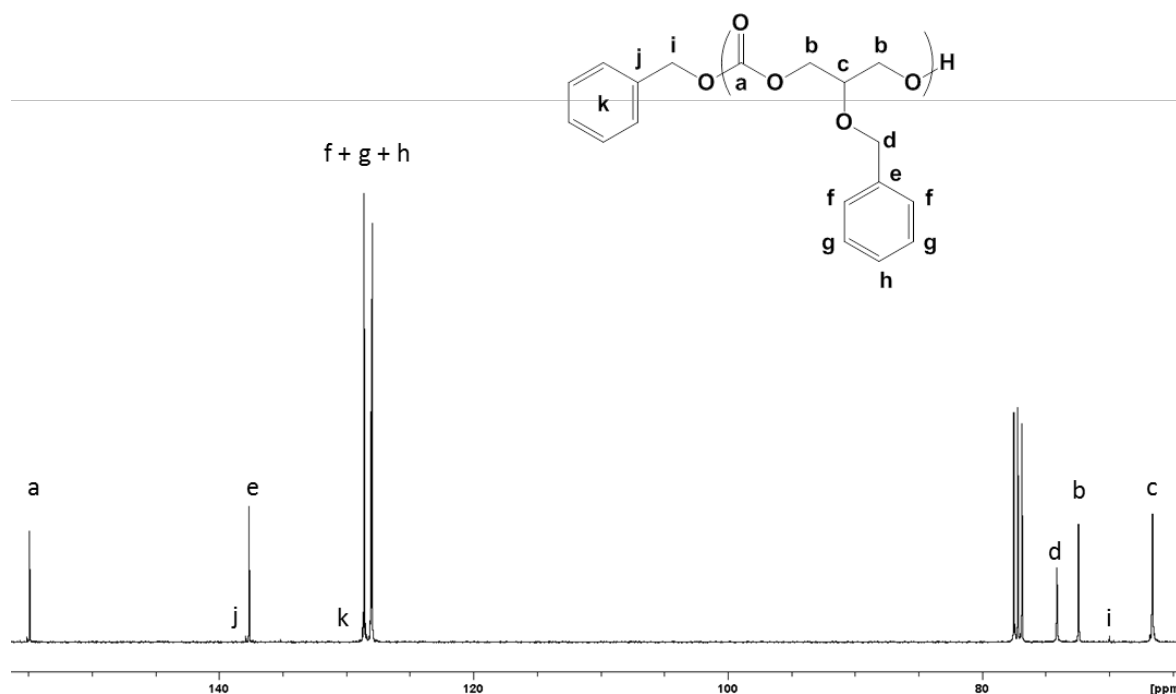


Figure S4. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 23 °C) spectrum of a H-PBTMC-OBn synthesized from BEMP/BnOH in bulk at 60 °C (Table 1, entry 14).

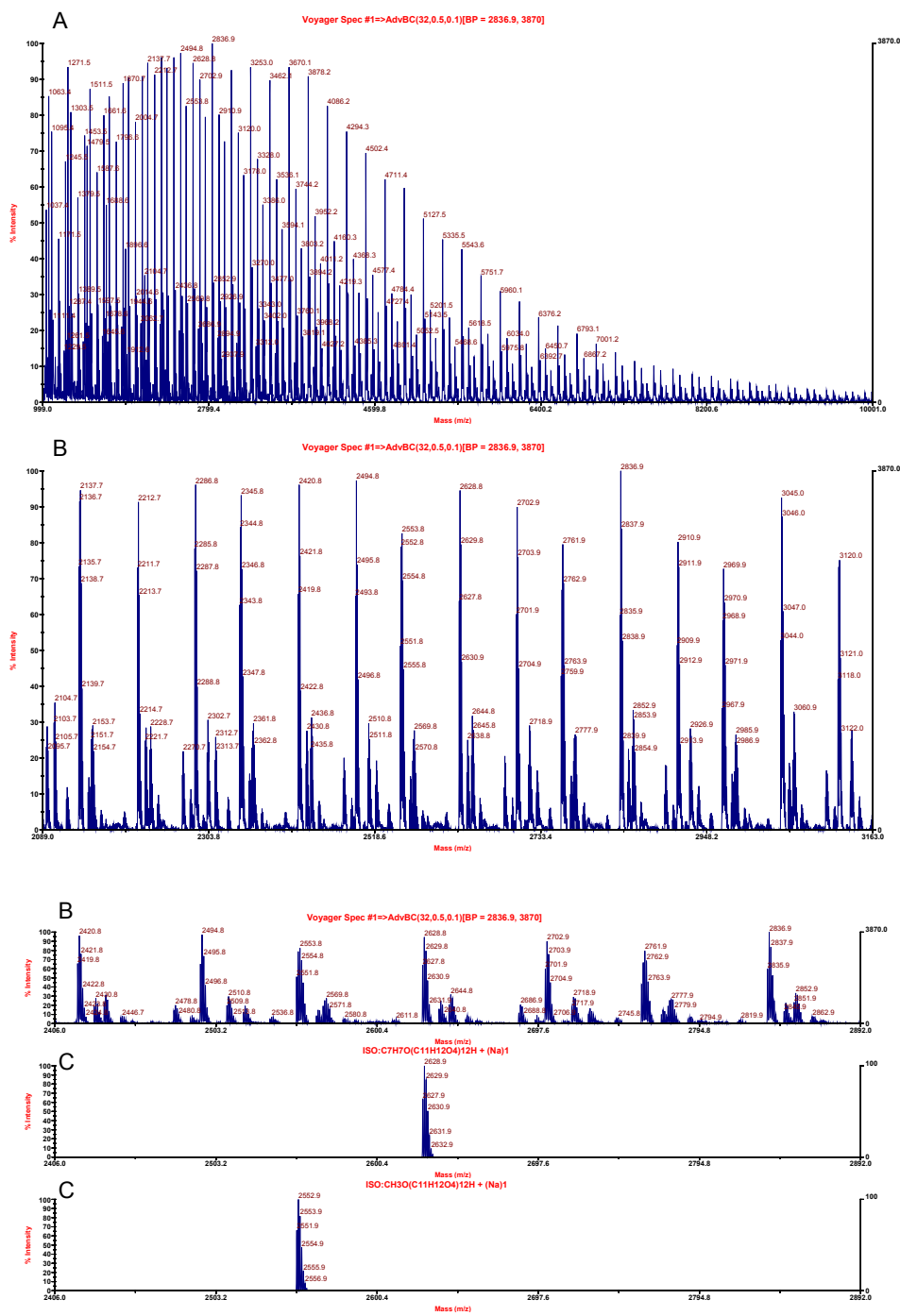


Figure S5. MALDI-ToF mass spectrum of a PBTMC sample produced from BEMP/BnOH using IAA as matrix (Table 1, entry 14): A) full spectrum; B) zoomed region of the spectrum; and C) comparison to the corresponding simulations for $n = 12$.

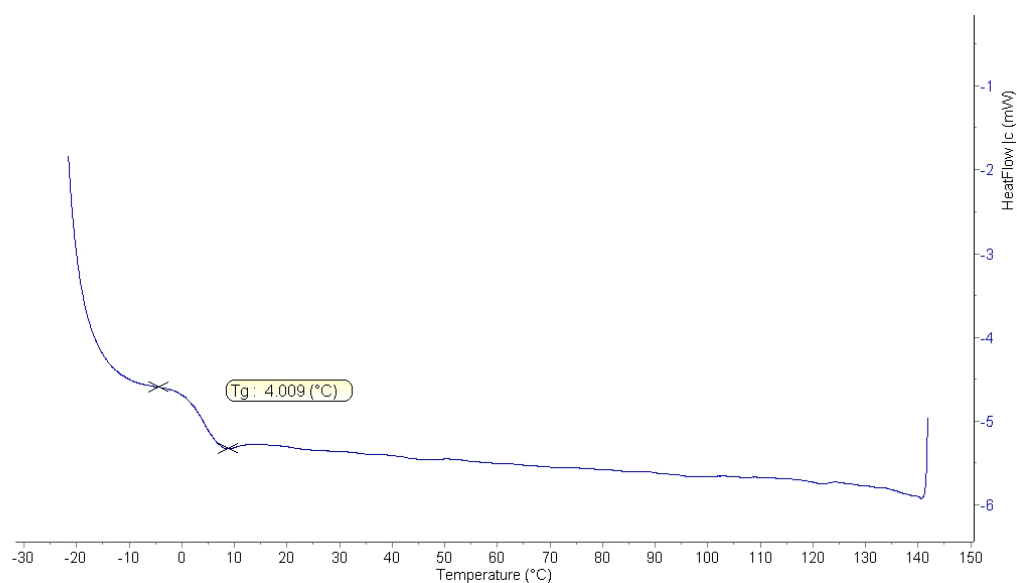


Figure S6. DSC trace of a H-PBTMC-OBn sample synthesized from BEMP/BnOH in bulk at 60 °C, (Table 1, entry 15; 10 °C/min, He).

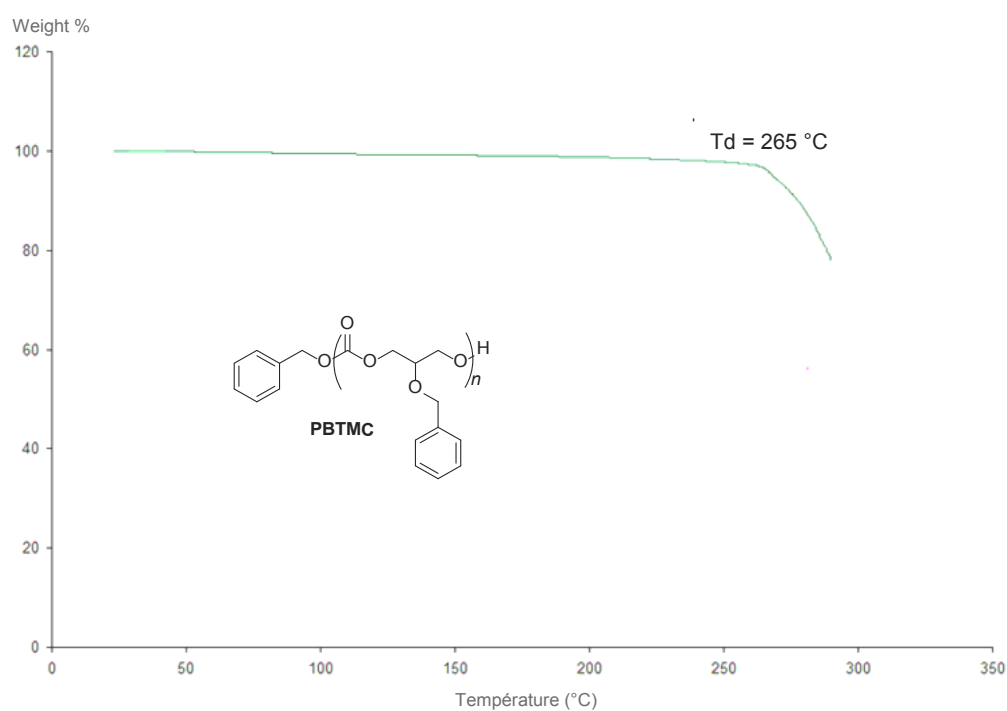


Figure S7. TGA trace (10 °C.min⁻¹, He) of a H-PBTMC-OBn ($M_n = 35\,000\text{ g.mol}^{-1}$; Table 1, entry 4).

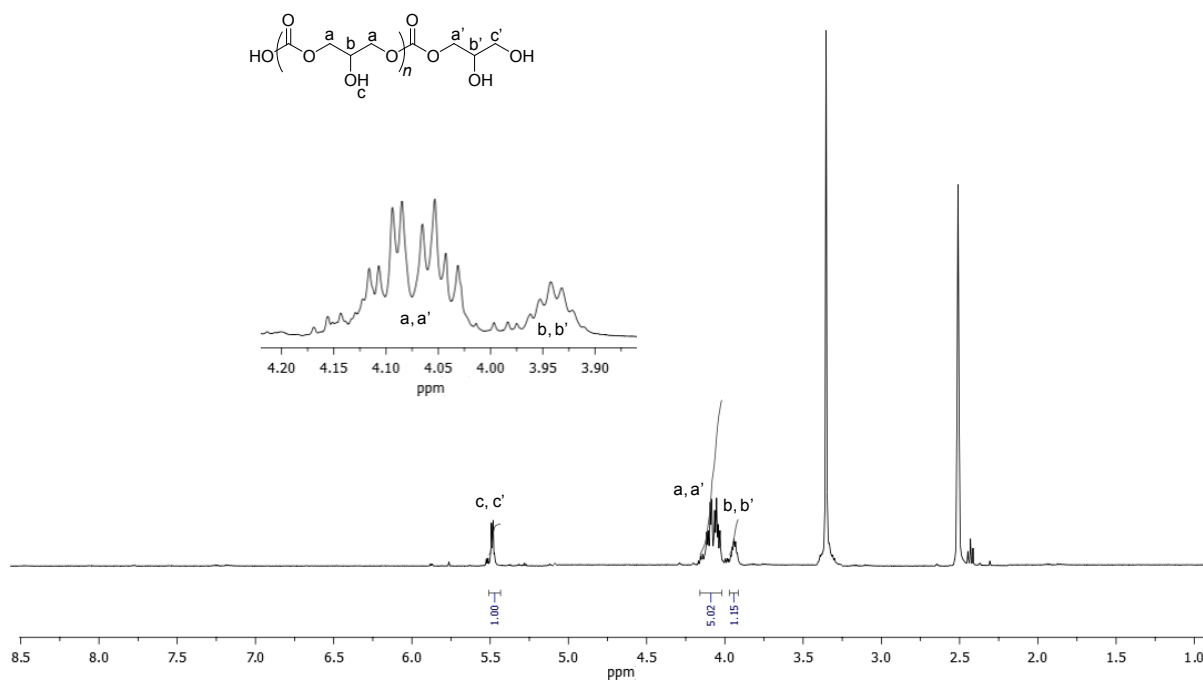


Figure S8. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO, 23 °C) spectrum of a H-PHTMC-OH synthesized upon hydrogenolysis of H-PBTMC-OBn (Table 1, entry 3).

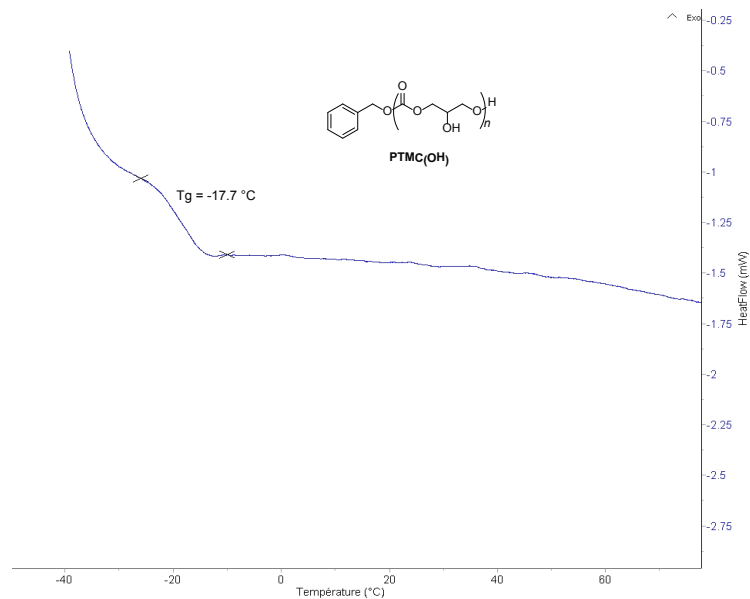


Figure S9. DSC trace of a H-PHTMC-H sample synthesized upon hydrogenolysis of H-PBTMC-H (Table 1, entry 3; 10 °C/min, He).

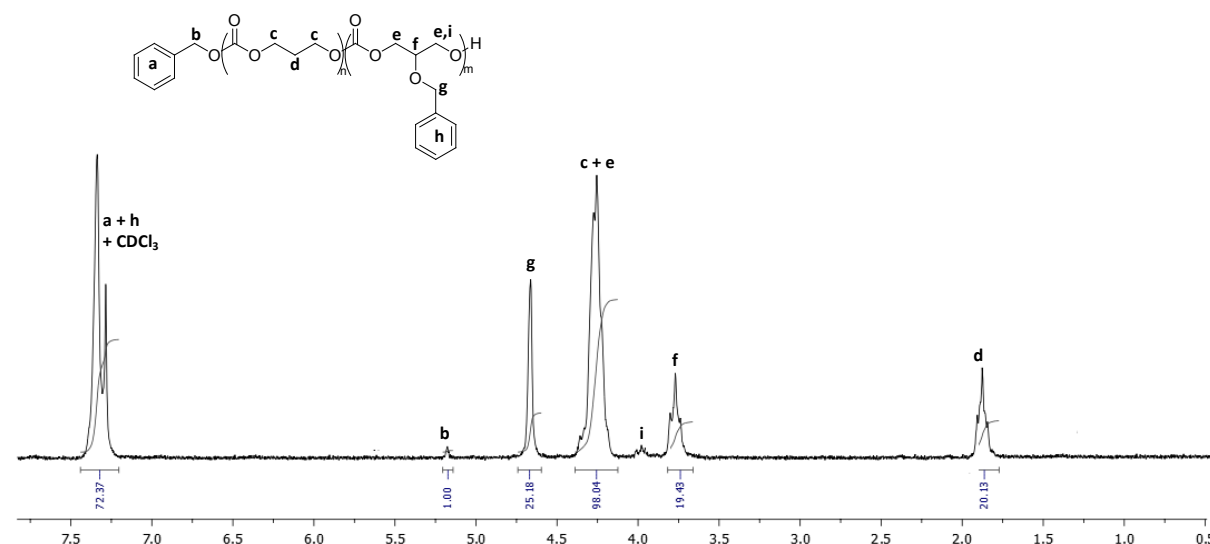


Figure S10. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 23 °C) spectrum of a H-PBTMC-*b*-PTMC-OBn synthesized by *in situ* sequential copolymerization of TMC and BTMC in toluene from $[(\text{BDI}^{\text{iPr}})\text{Zn}[\text{N}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]/\text{BnOH}$ at 60° C (Table 2, entry 2).

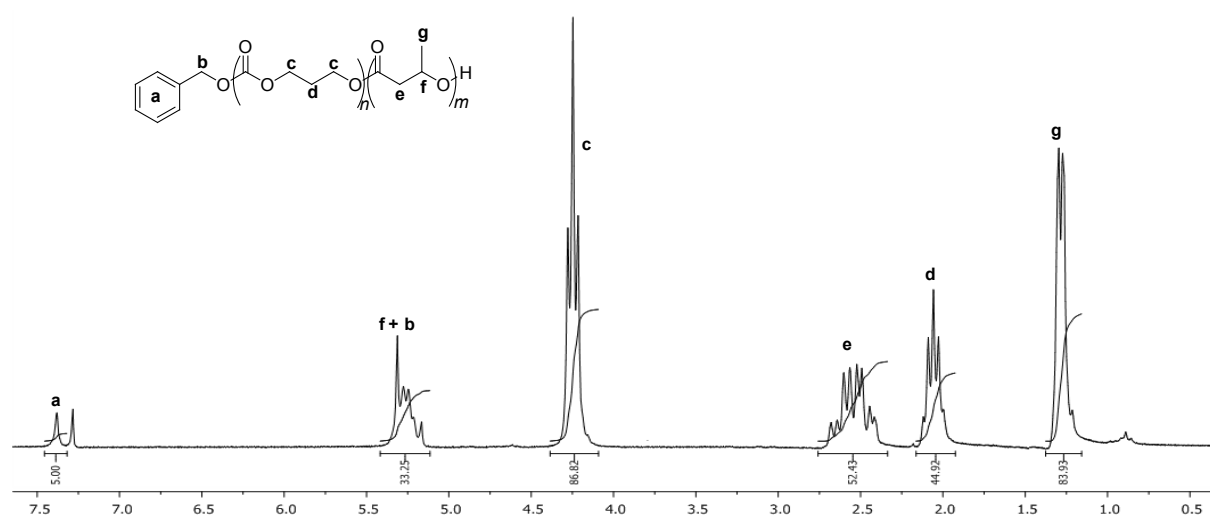


Figure S11. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 23 °C) spectrum of a H-PHB-*b*-PTMC-OBn synthesized by *in situ* sequential copolymerization of TMC and BL in toluene from $[(\text{BDI}^{\text{iPr}})\text{Zn}[\text{N}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]/\text{BnOH}$ at 60° C (Table 2, entry 7).

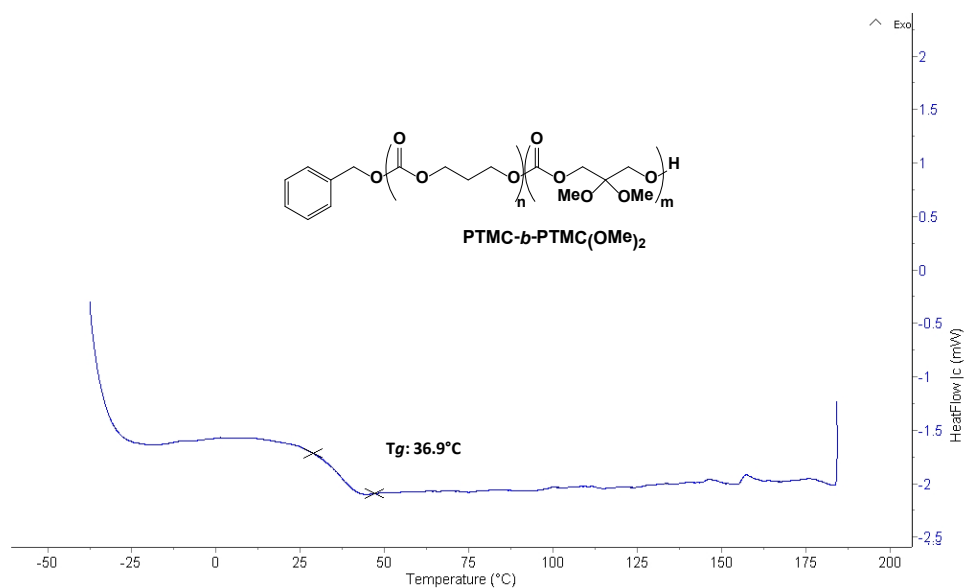


Figure S12. DSC trace (10 °C.min⁻¹, He) of a H-PTMC(OMe)₂-*b*-PTMC-OBn sample synthesized by *in situ* sequential copolymerization in toluene from [(BDIⁱPr)Zn[N(SiMe₃)₂]/BnOH at 60/90° C (Table 2, entry 9).

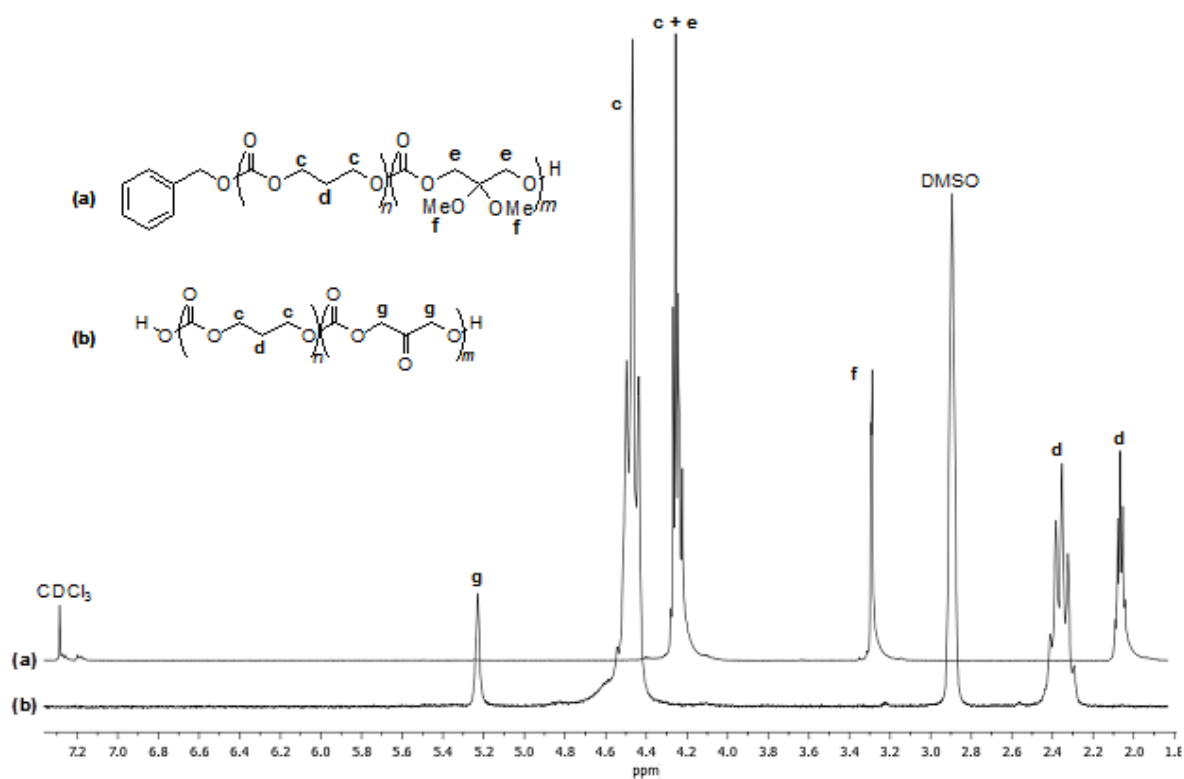


Figure S13: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, (a) CDCl₃, (b) DMSO, 23 °C) spectra of (a) a PTMC-*b*-PTMC(OMe)₂ and (b) a PTMC-*b*-PTMC(O) samples.

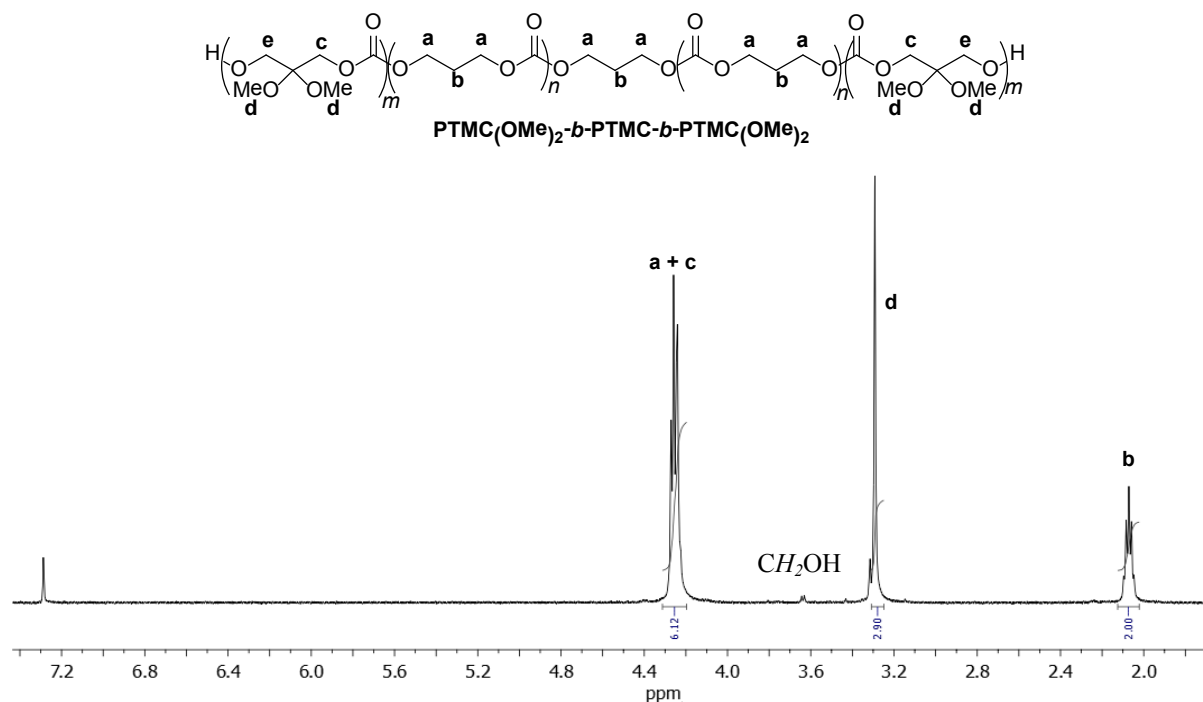
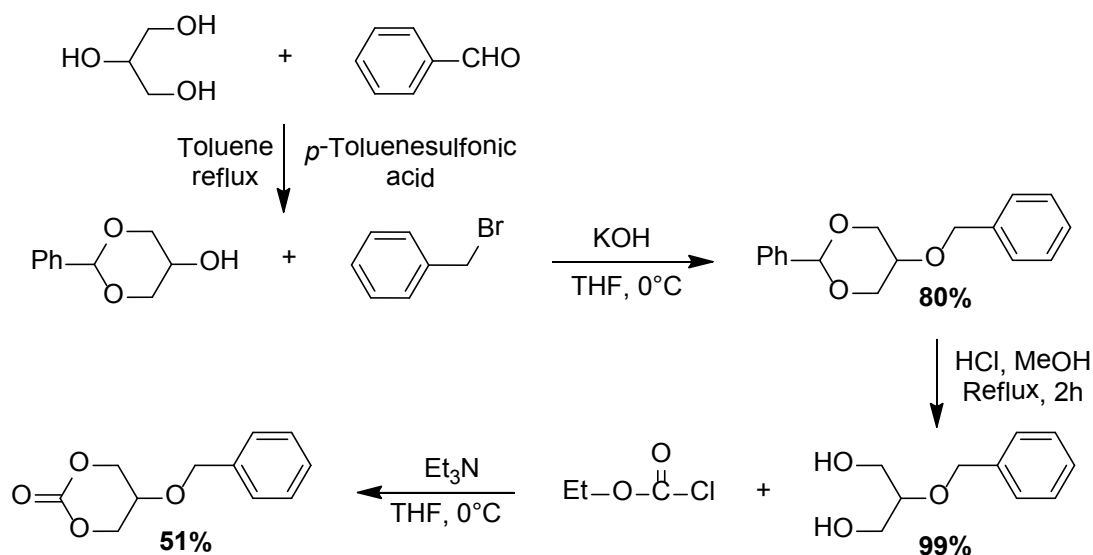
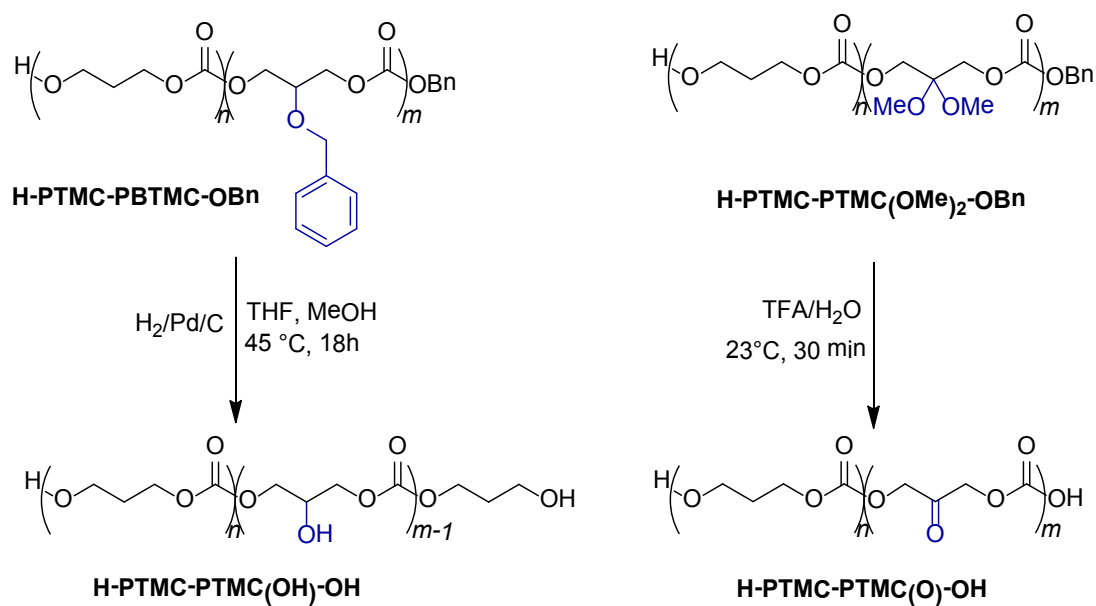


Figure S14: ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 23 °C) spectrum of a $\text{PTMC}(\text{OMe})_2$ -*b*- PTMC -*b*- $\text{PTMC}(\text{OMe})_2$ synthesized by *in situ* sequential copolymerization of TMC and $\text{TMC}(\text{OMe})_2$ in toluene from $[(\text{BDI}^{\text{iPr}})\text{Zn}[\text{N}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2]]/1,3\text{-propanediol}$ at 60/90° C (Table 4, entry 5).



Scheme S1. Synthesis of BTMC from glycerol. Error! Bookmark not defined.



Scheme S2: Deprotection of the acetal and benzylox functions in the PTMC-*b*-PTMC(OMe)₂ and PTMC-*b*-PBTMC samples, respectively: synthesis of PTMC-*b*-PTMC(O) and PTMC-*b*-PTMC(OH).