Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI) for

Silver-decorated biodegradable polymer vesicles with excellent antibacterial efficacy

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Fig. S1. Synthetic route to the biodegradable PCL-*b*-PAA diblock copolymer.

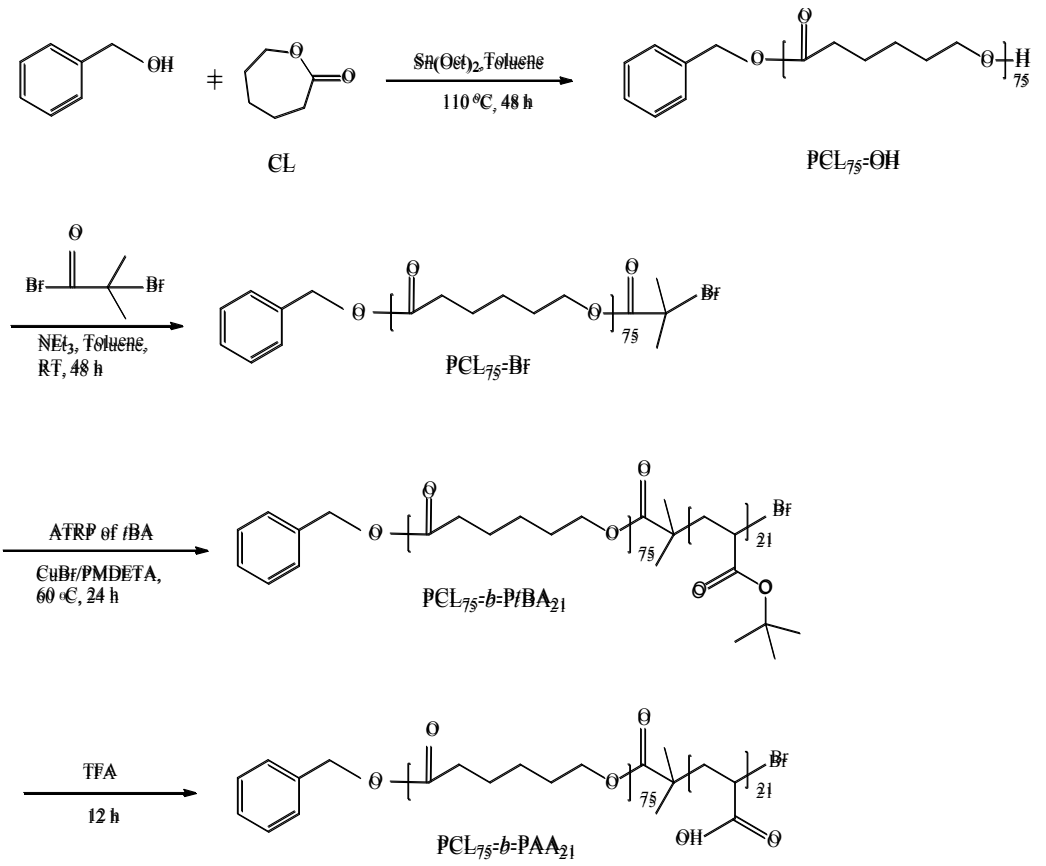


Fig. S2. GPC traces of PCL_{75}-*b*-P*t*BA_{21} diblock copolymer and PCL_{75}-OH homopolymer, indicating the chain extension of the PCL_{75}-*b*-P*t*BA_{21} diblock copolymer compared with PCL_{75}-OH homopolymer.

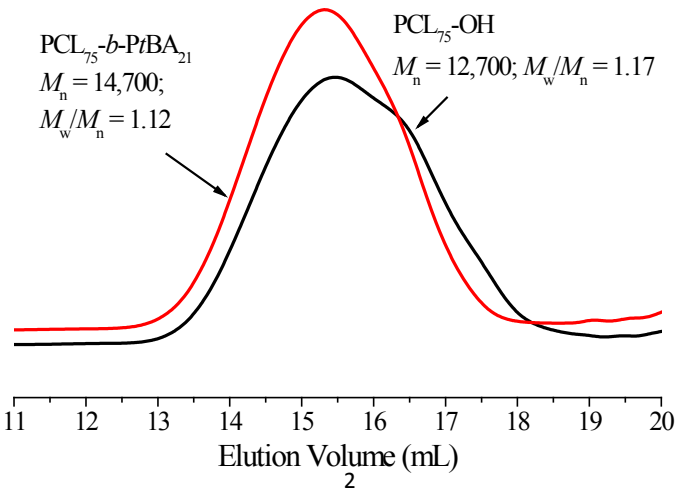


Fig. S3 Effect of solution pH on (a) z-averaged hydrodynamic diameters and (b) polydispersity index of polymer vesicles at 0.7 mg mL^{-1} by DLS.

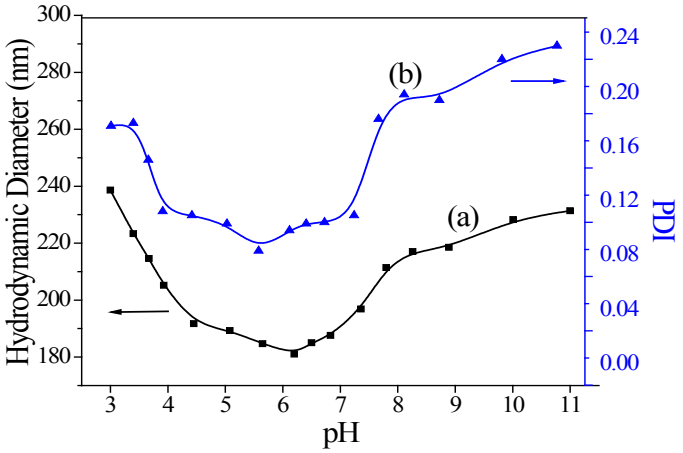
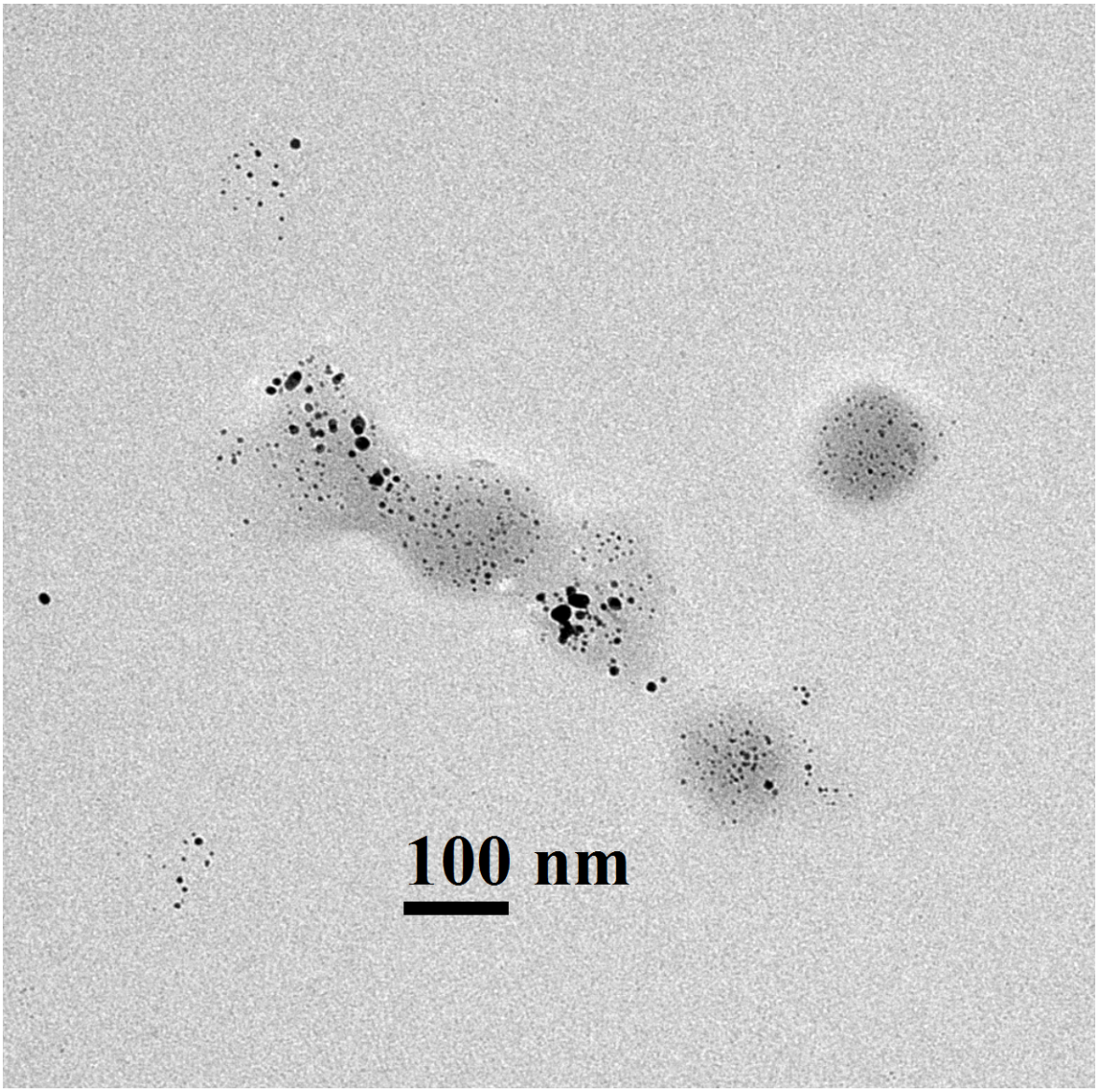
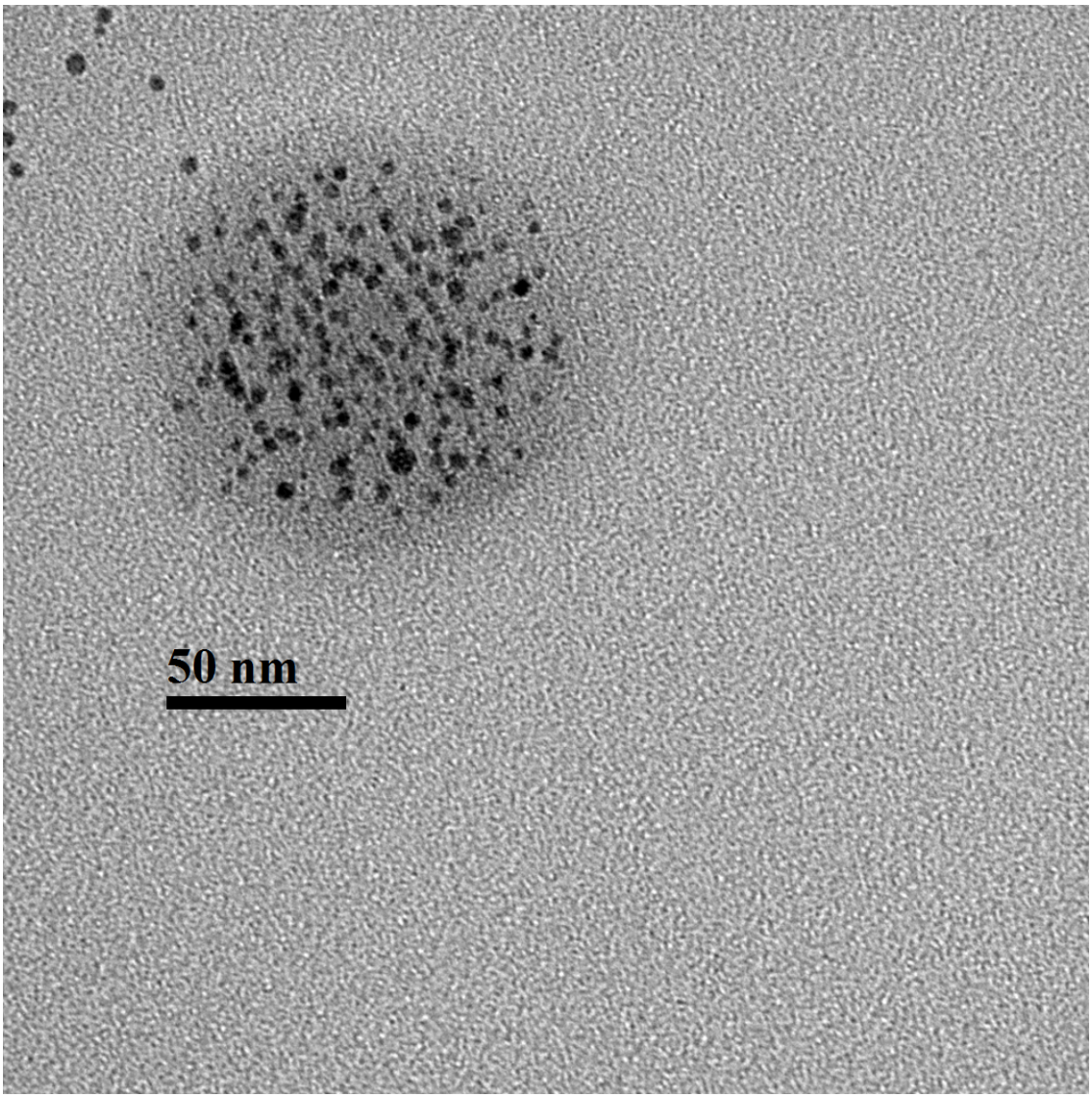


Fig. S4 TEM images of Ag-decorated polymer vesicles at pH 7.8.





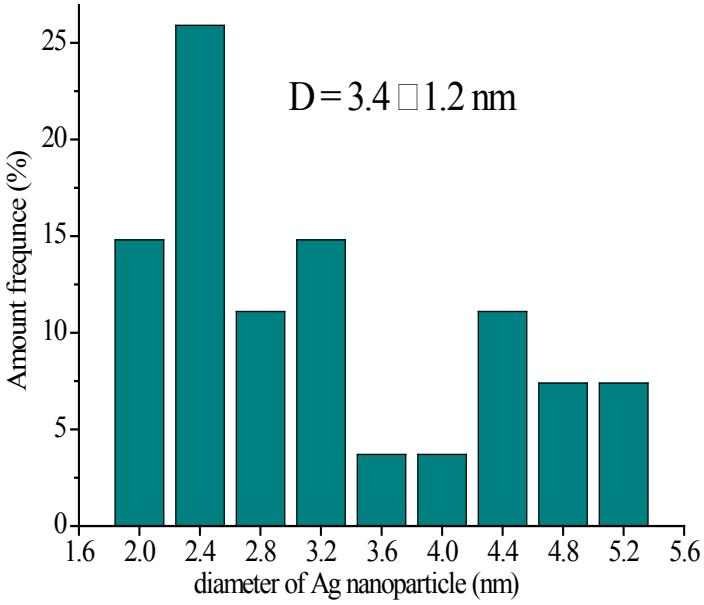


Fig. S5 Silver ions standard curve measured by AAS.