

Supplementary Information

Microfluidic Fabrication of Microparticles with Multiple Structures from a Biodegradable polymer Blend

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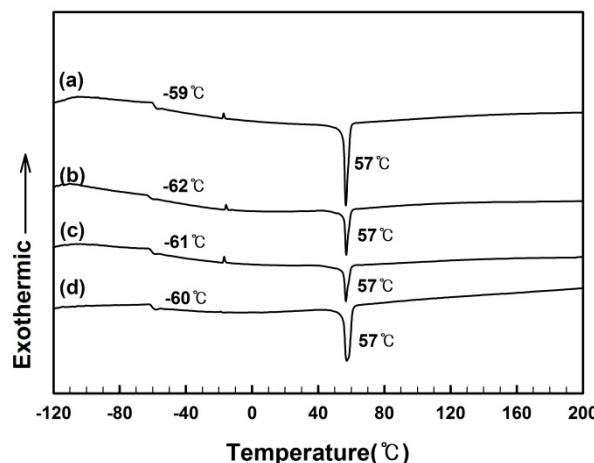


Figure S1. DSC curves of various blend ratio with (a) PLGA:PCL=8:2, (b) PLGA:PCL=6:4, (c) PLGA:PCL=4:6, and (d) PLGA:PCL=2:8.

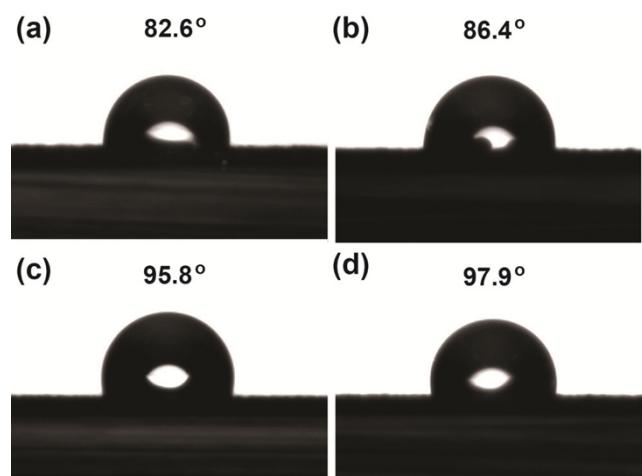


Figure S2. Photograph of water droplets on single layers of microparticles formed from various PLGA/PCL blend ratio: (a) 10:0, (b) 8:2, (c) 7:3, and (d) 0:10.

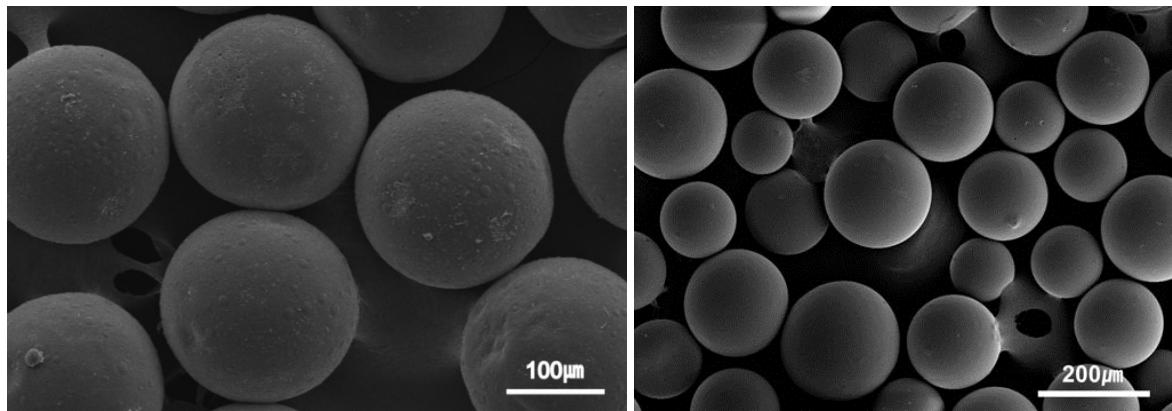


Figure S3. Uniform sized core-shell type microparticles from PLGA/PCL blend ratio of 7:3 using microfluidic device (left) and PLGA microparticles prepared from dropping organic droplets into the 1% PVA aqueous solution in the beaker stirred at 300 rpm (right).

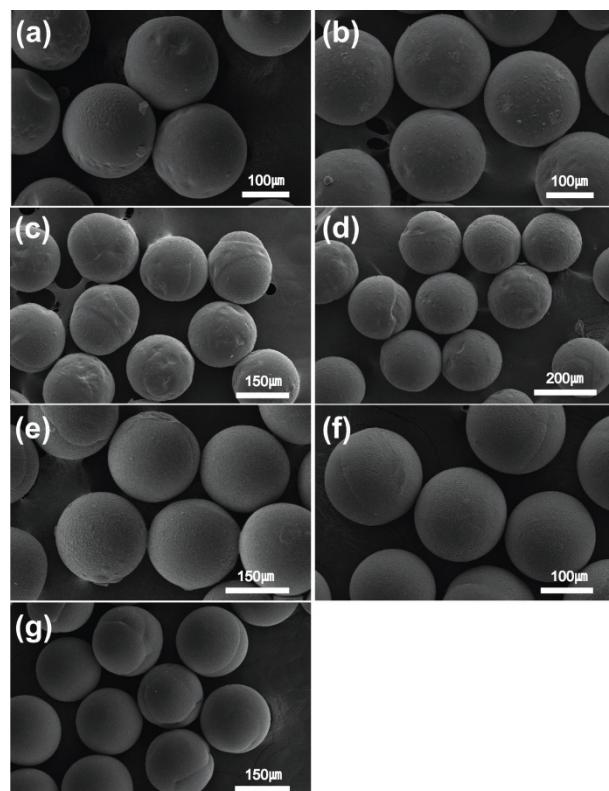


Figure S4. Uniform sized microparticles from PLGA/PCL blend ratio of (a) 8:2, (b) 7:3, (c) 6.5:3.5, (d) 6:4, (e) 5.5:4.5, (f) 4:6 and (g) 2:8.

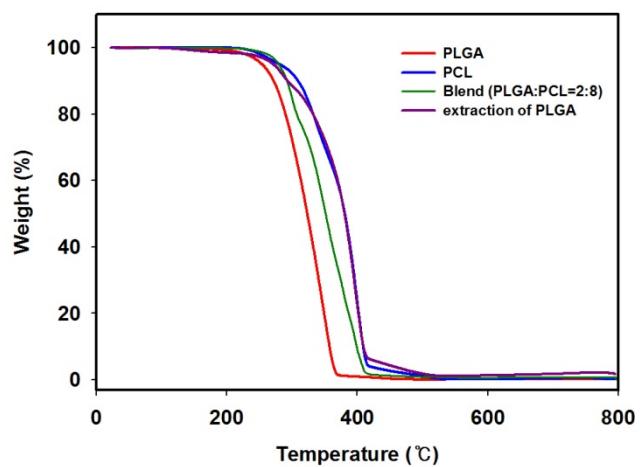


Figure S5. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) profiles of PLGA, PCL, PLGA/PCL blend and selective extraction of PLGA.

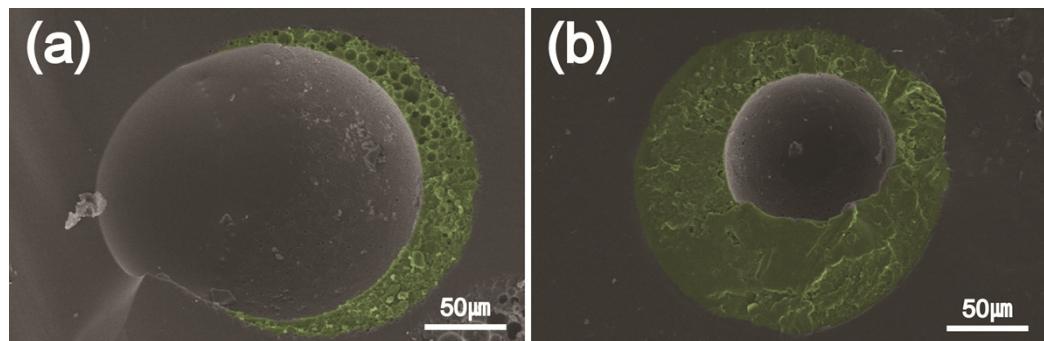


Figure S6. False color SEM images showing cross-section of the selective extraction of PLGA. (a) PLGA:PCL=6:4, (b) PLGA:PCL=4:6. Is this cross-section, the PCL portion is green.

Table S1. Microparticles size obtained from various ratio of PLGA and PCL.

Sample	Average(Standard deviation)
PLGA:PCL=10:0	185.1 ($\pm 2.7 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=8:2	203.4 ($\pm 5.3 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=7:3	206.9 ($\pm 3.0 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=6.5:3.5	193.7 ($\pm 5.1 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=6:4	205.3 ($\pm 4.6 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=5.5:4.5	217.2 ($\pm 6.3 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=5:5	207.2 ($\pm 1.8 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=4:6	187.0 ($\pm 7.8 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=2:8	197.2 ($\pm 5.5 \mu\text{m}$)
PLGA:PCL=0:10	203.7 ($\pm 2.6 \mu\text{m}$)
Total	199.6 ($\pm 10.2 \mu\text{m}$)

Table S2. TGA results for PLGA, PCL, PLGA/PCL blend, selective extraction of PLGA. ($T_{50\%}$: mid-point of the degradation)

Sample	$T_{50\%}$ (°C)
PLGA	323
PCL	380
PLGA/PCL blend	350
Selective extraction of PLGA	380