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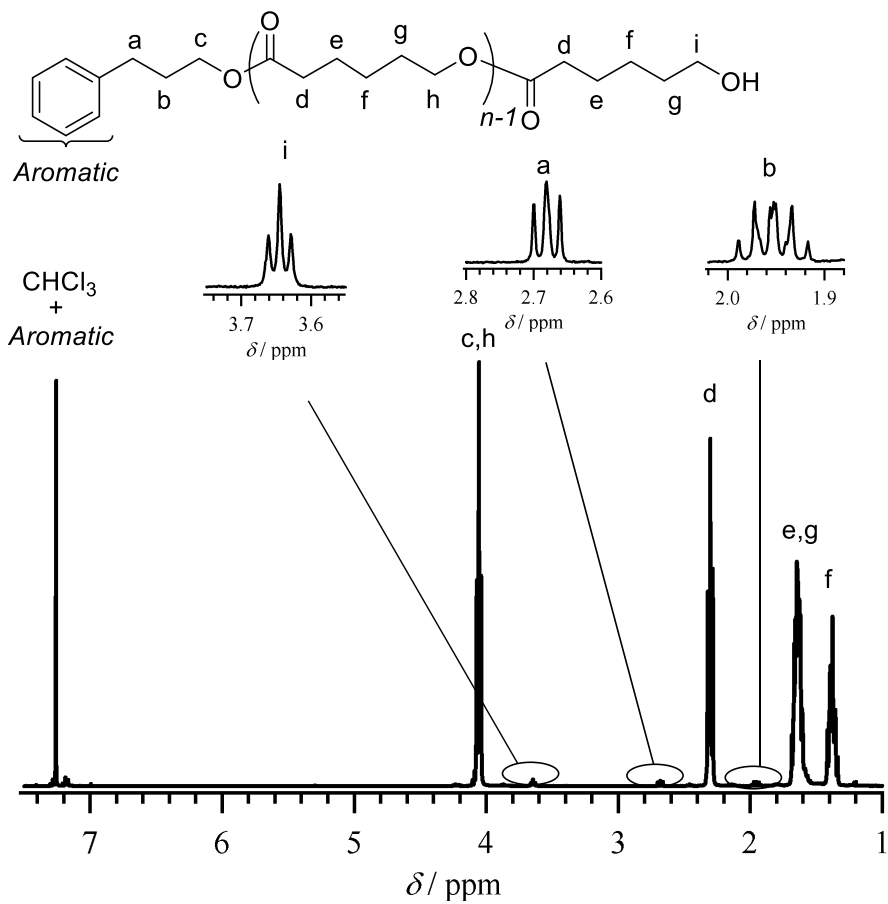
# Supplementary Information

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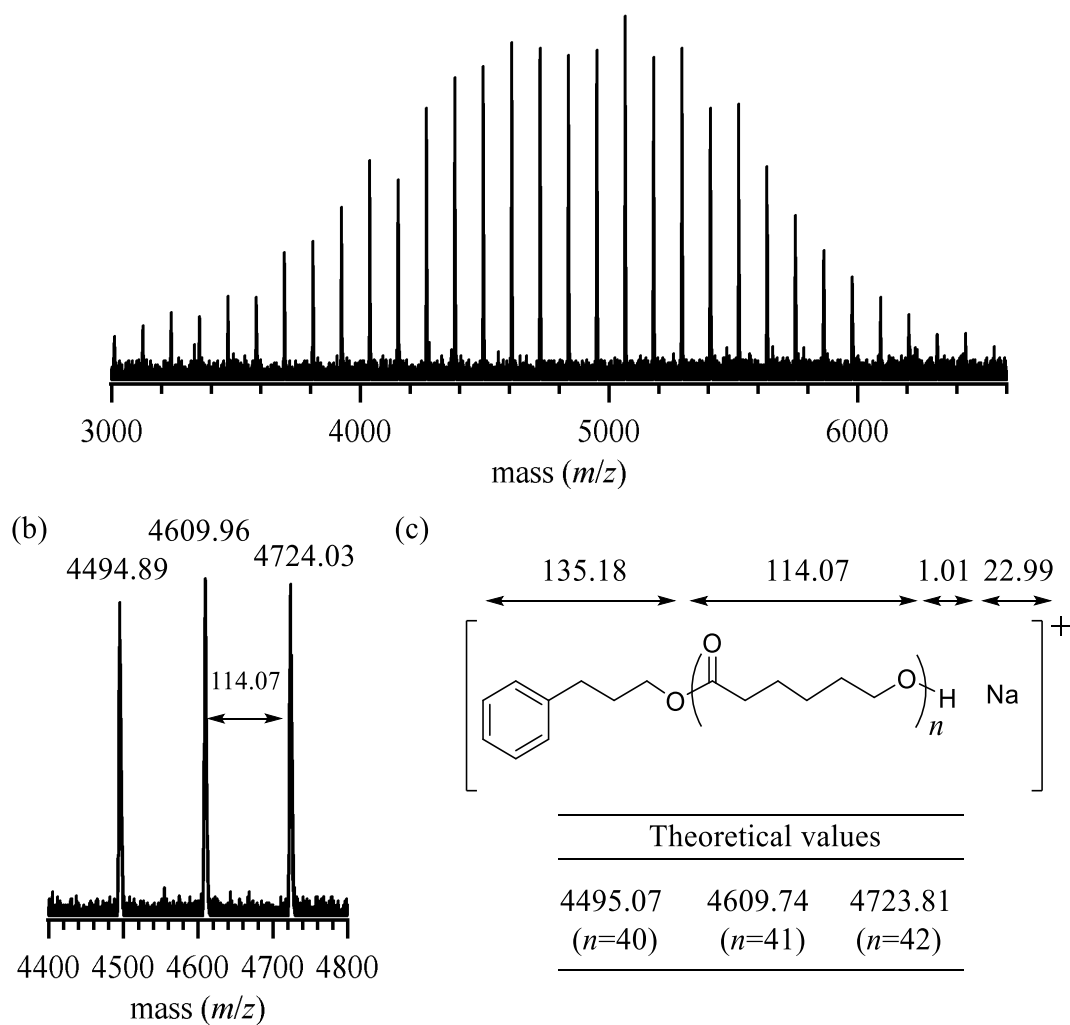
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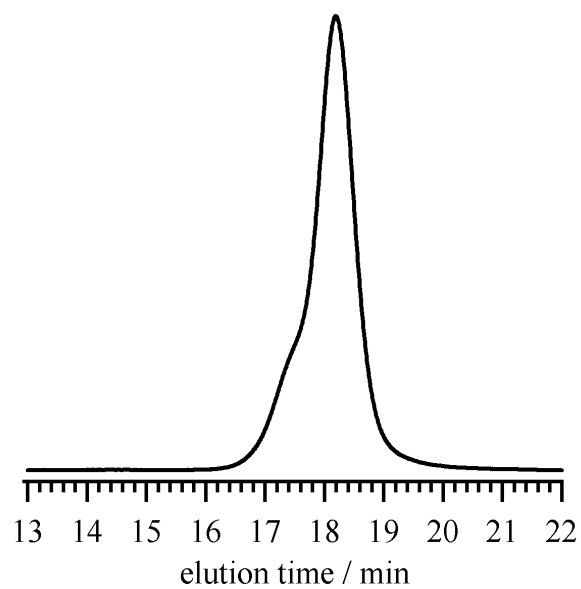
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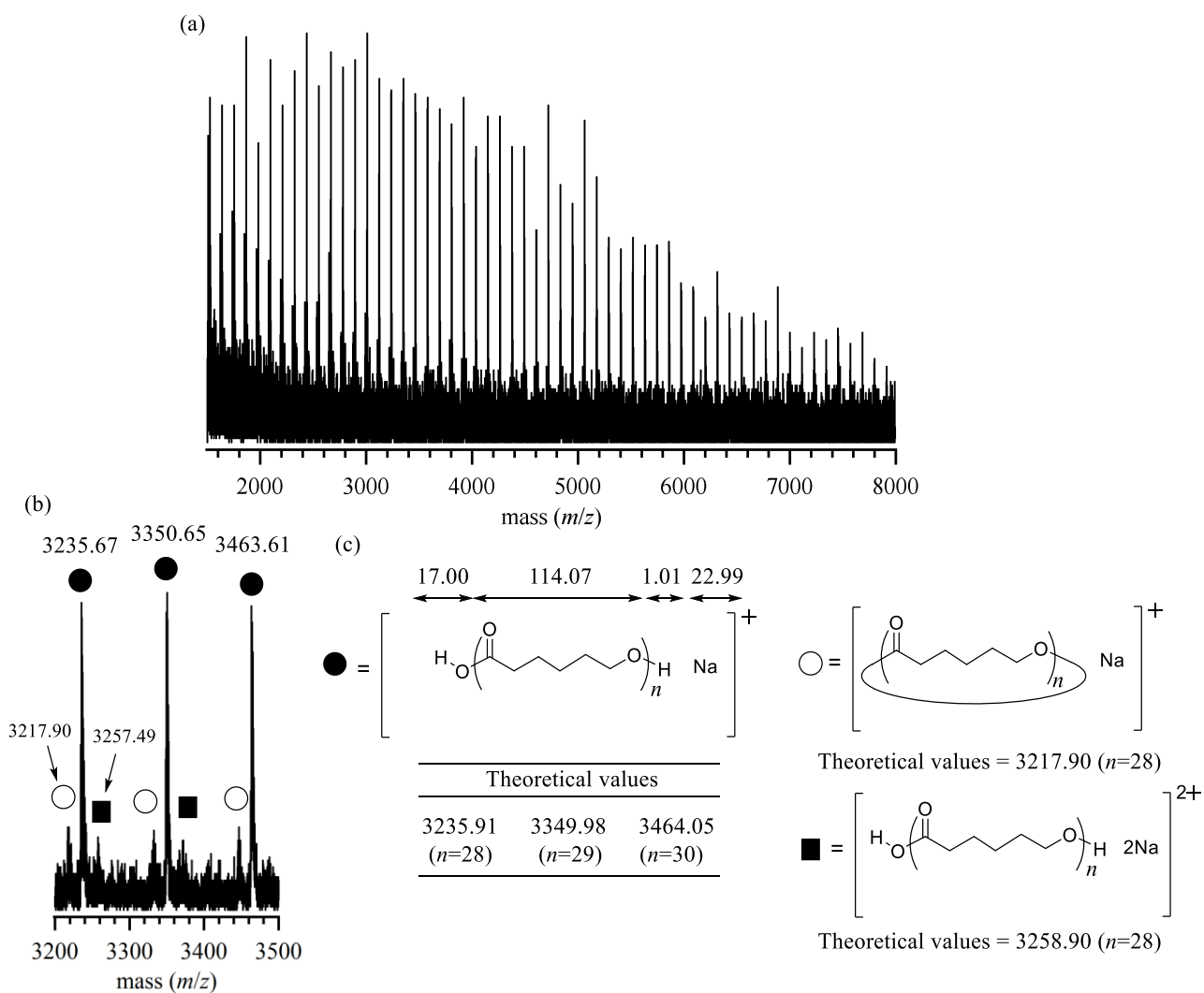
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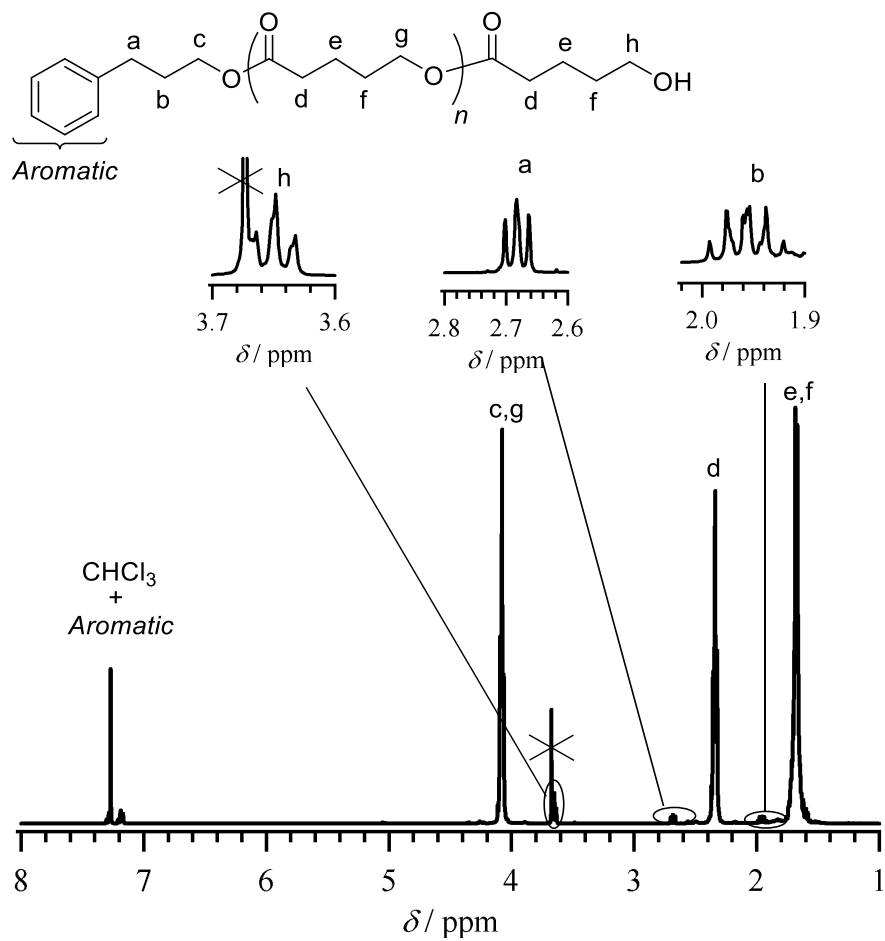
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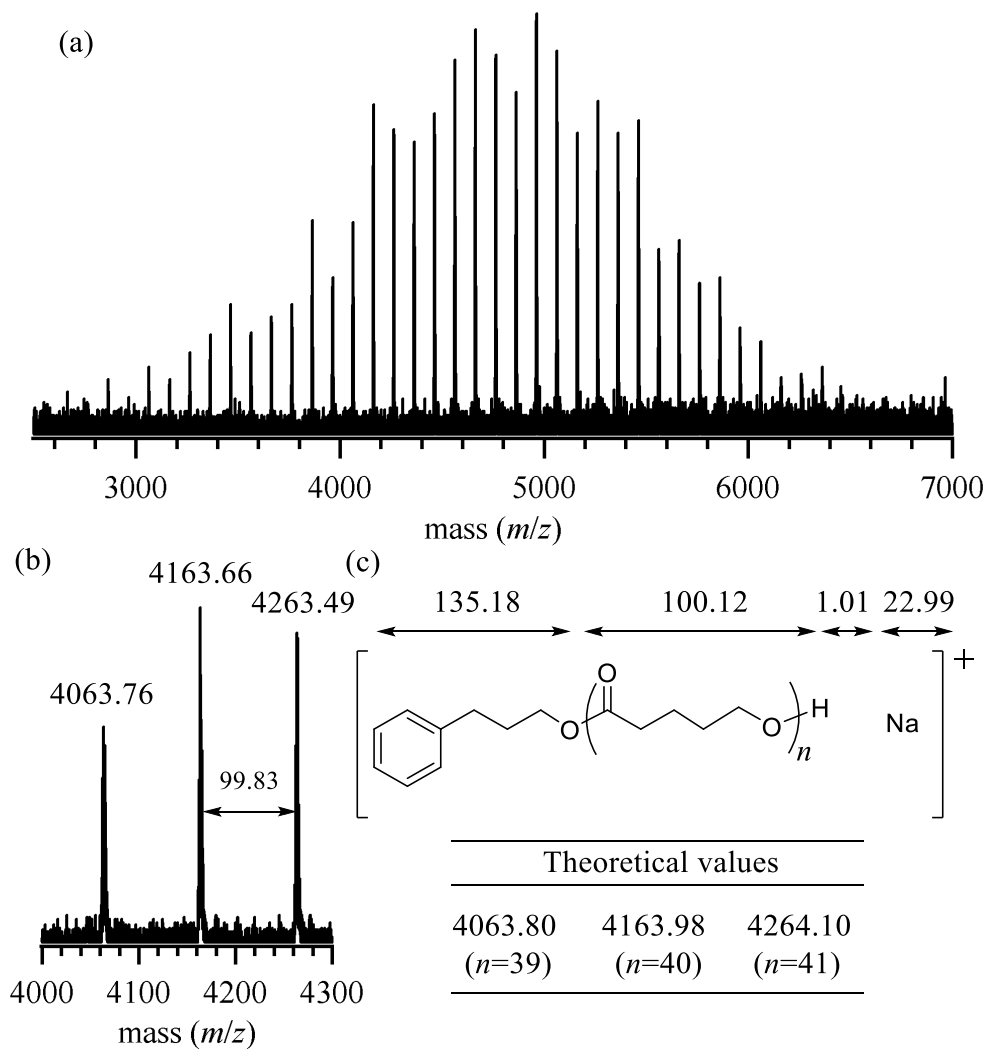
**Figure S3.** SEC trace of the obtained PCL initiated from H<sub>2</sub>O (eluent, CHCl<sub>3</sub>; flow rate, 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S4.** (a) MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the PCL initiated from H<sub>2</sub>O, (b) expanded spectrum (ranging from 3,200 to 3,500), and (c) theoretical molar mass values and expected structures.

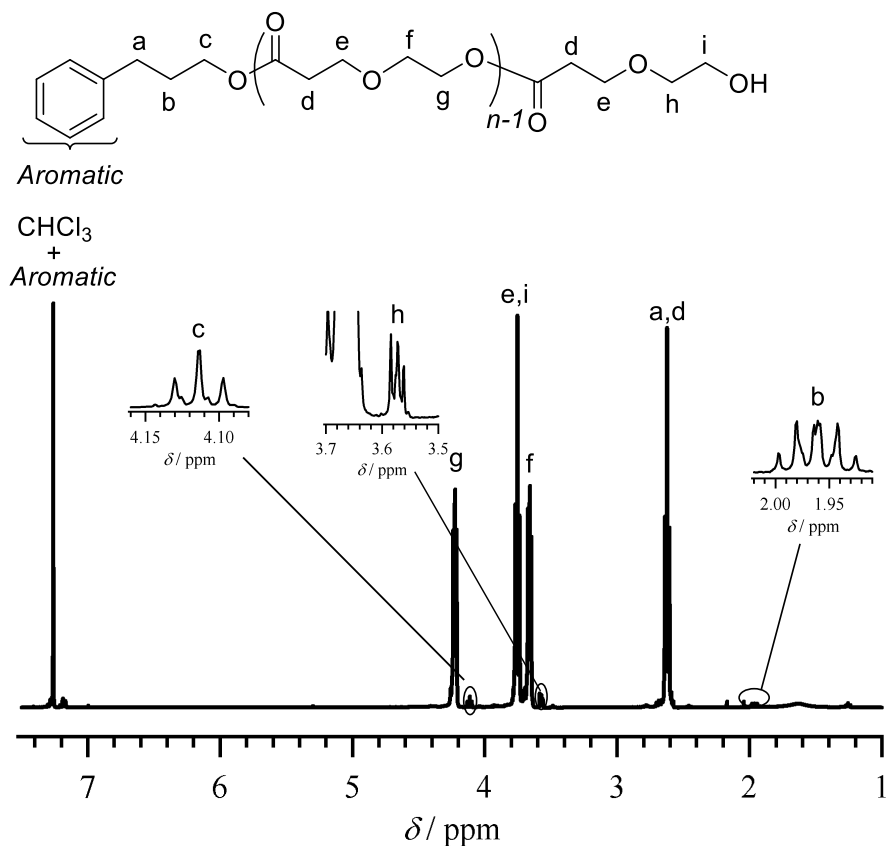


**Figure S5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PVL in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 13 in Table 2).

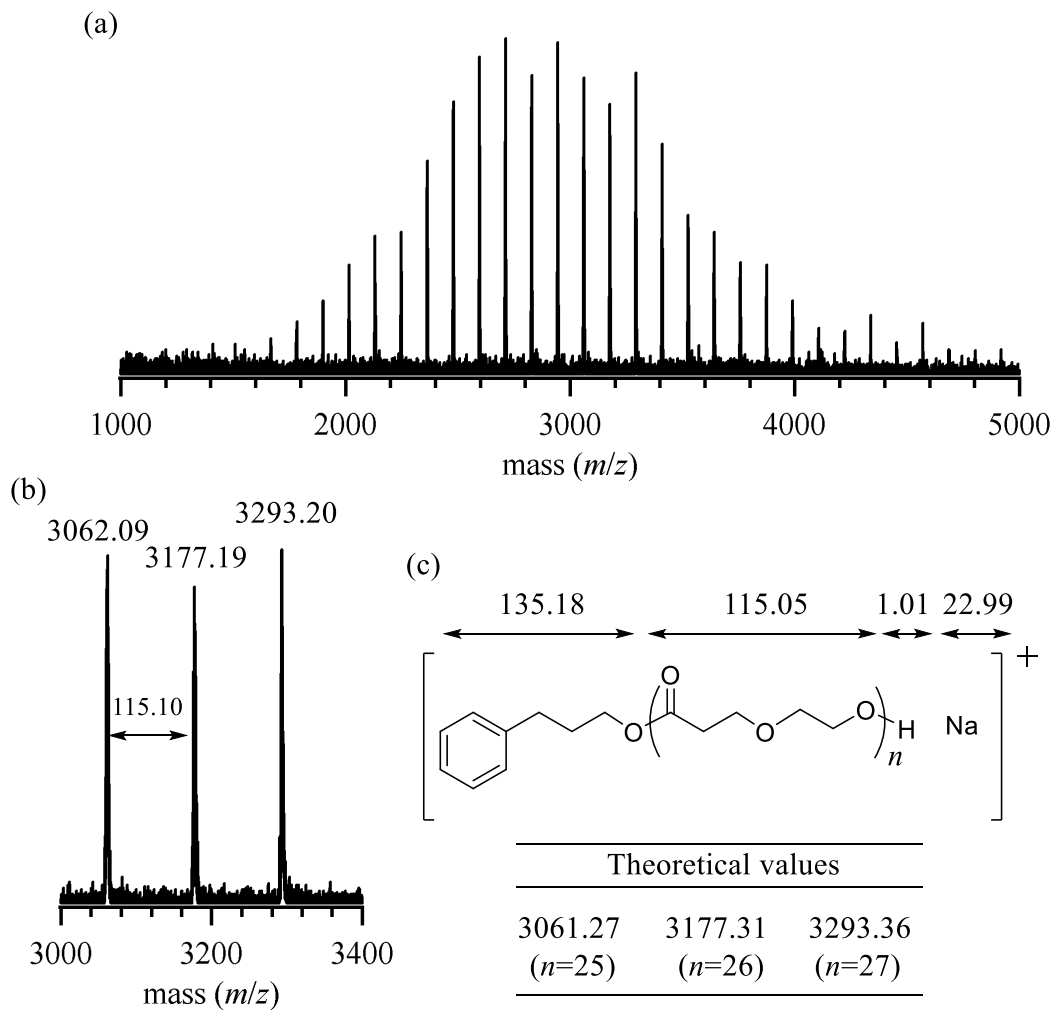


**Figure S6.** (a) MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of PVL (run 13 in Table 2), (b) expanded spectrum (ranging from 4,000 to 4,300), and (c) theoretical molar mass values.

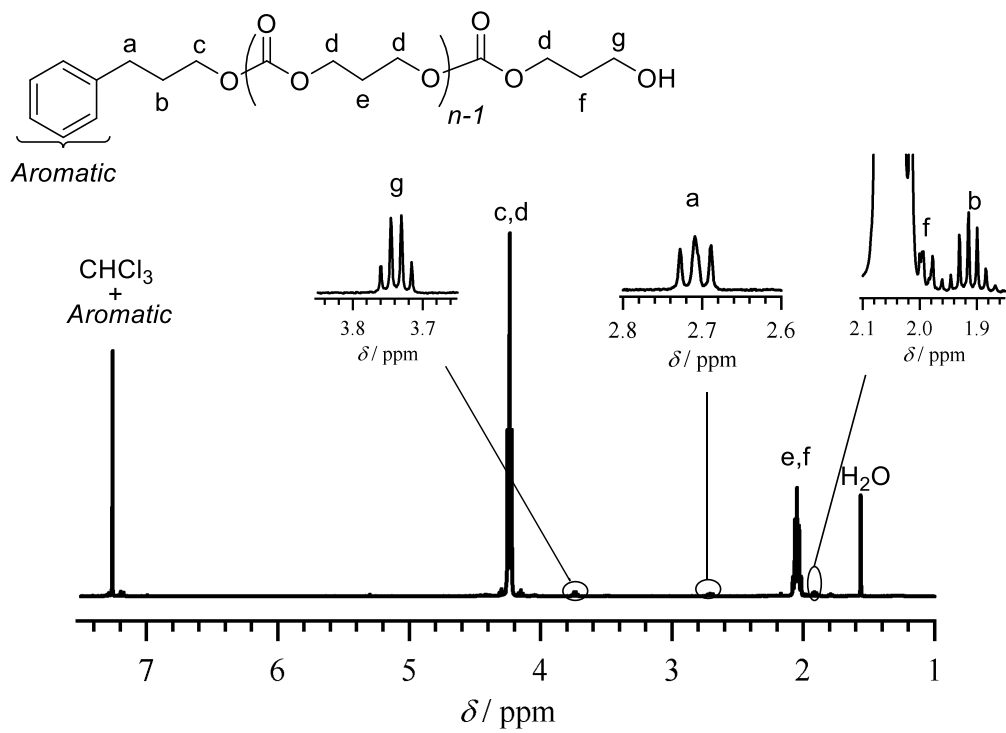




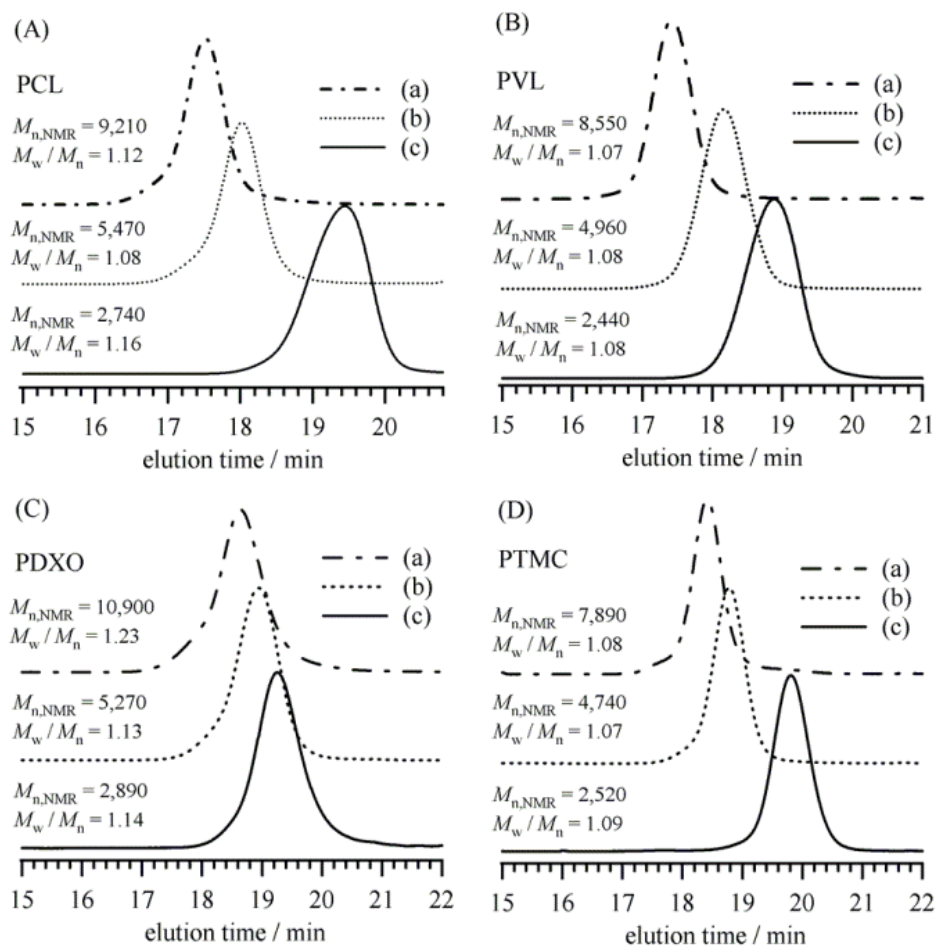
**Figure S7.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PDXO in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (run 16 in Table 2).



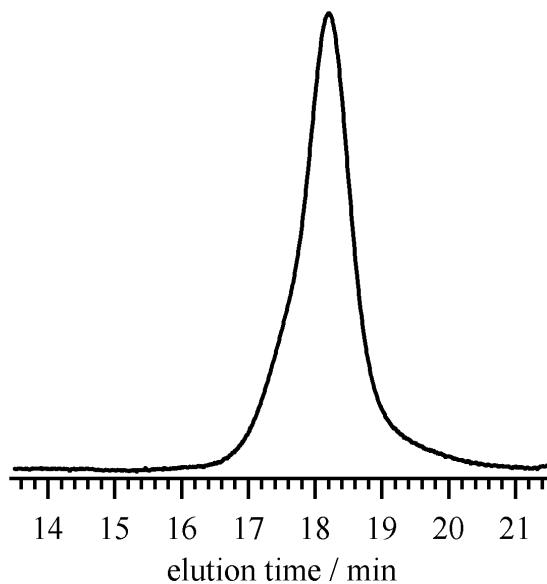
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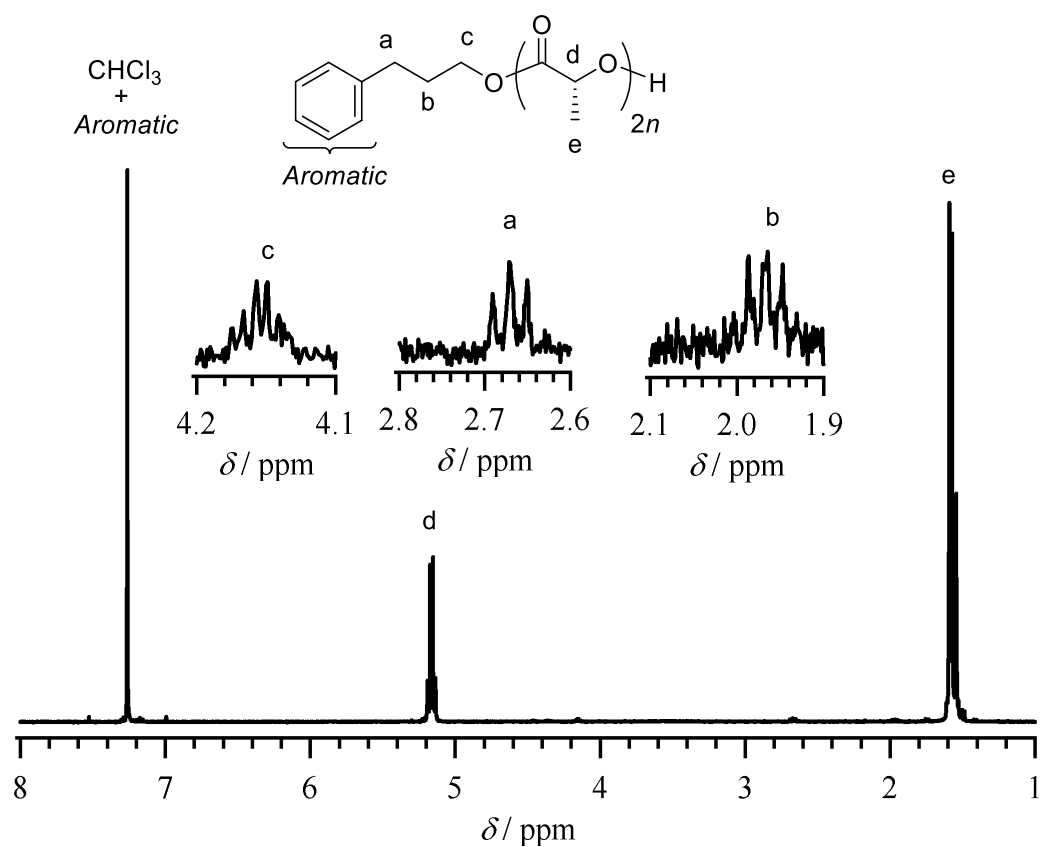
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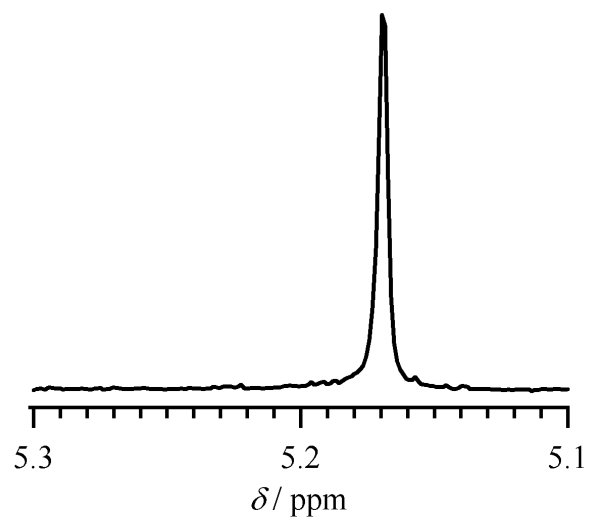
**Figure S10.** SEC traces of (A) the obtained PCLs, (B) PVLs, (C) PDXOs, and (D) PTMCs with the  $[M]_0/[PPA]_0$  ratios of (a) 100/1, (b) 50/1, and (c) 25/1 (eluent,  $CHCl_3$ ; flow rate,  $1.0 \text{ mL min}^{-1}$ ).



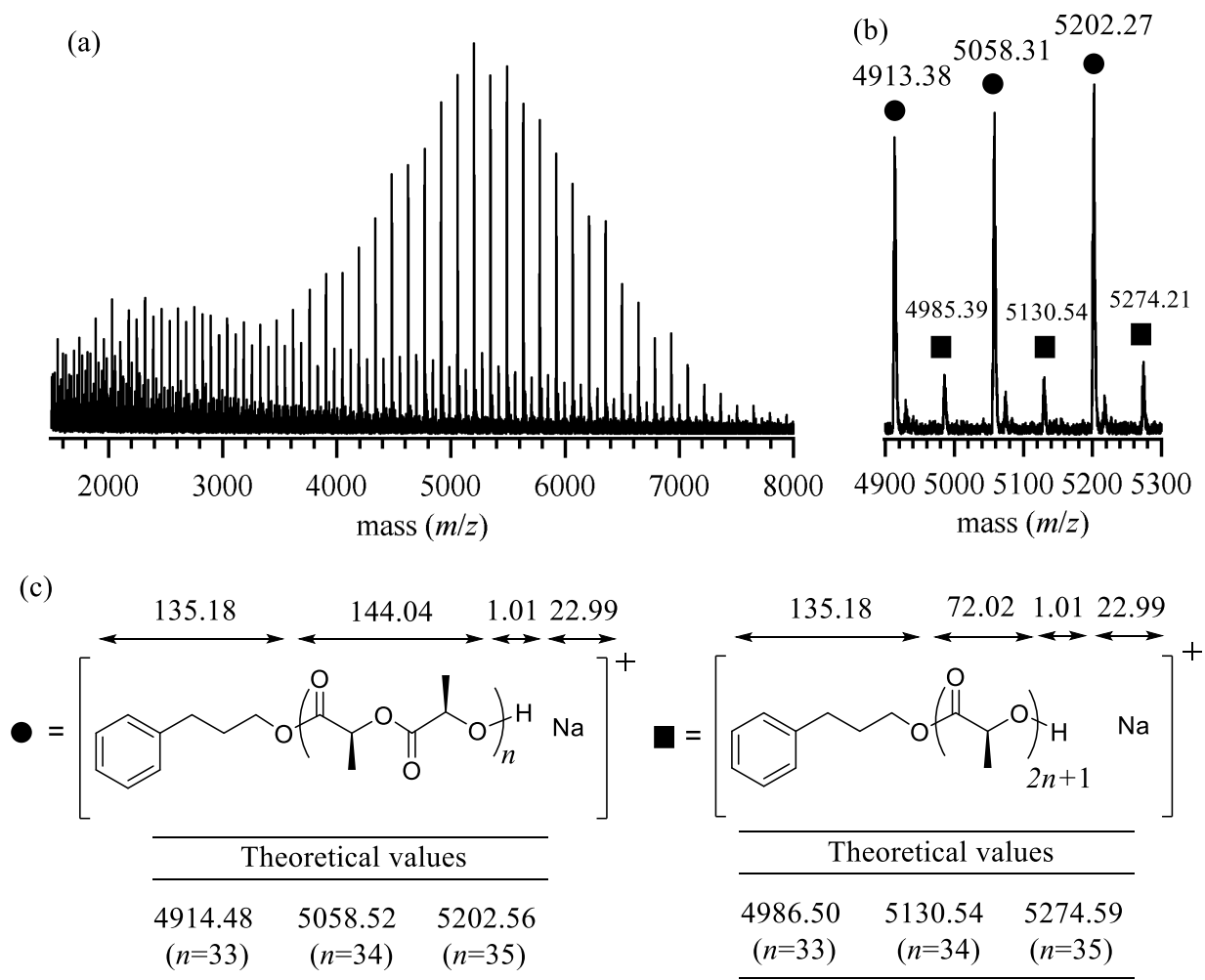
**Figure S11.** SEC trace of the PLLA obtained from run 21 in Table 2 (eluent,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ; flow rate,  $1.0 \text{ mL min}^{-1}$ ).



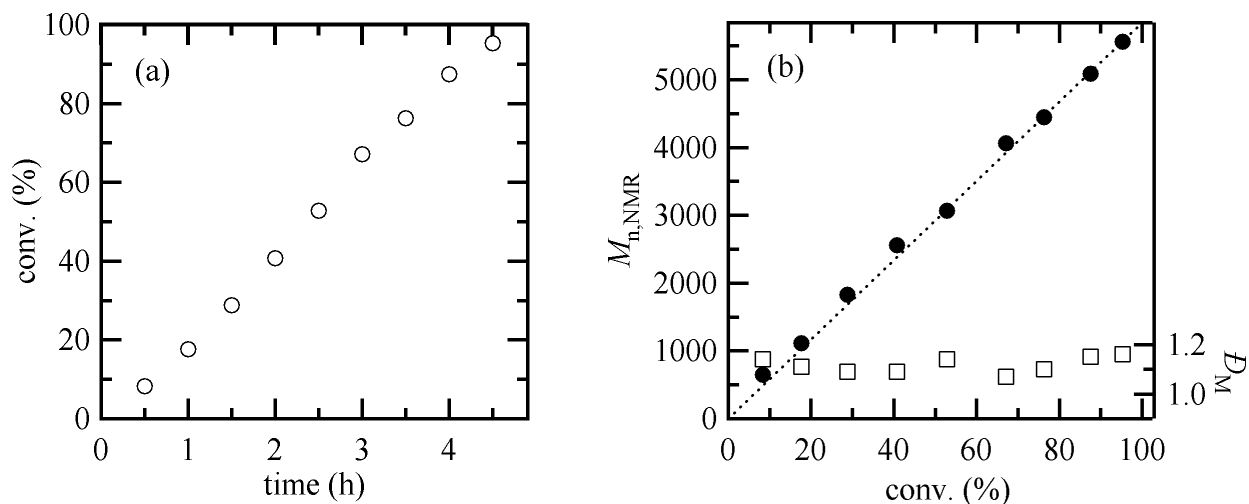
**Figure S12.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PLLA in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (run 21 in Table 2)



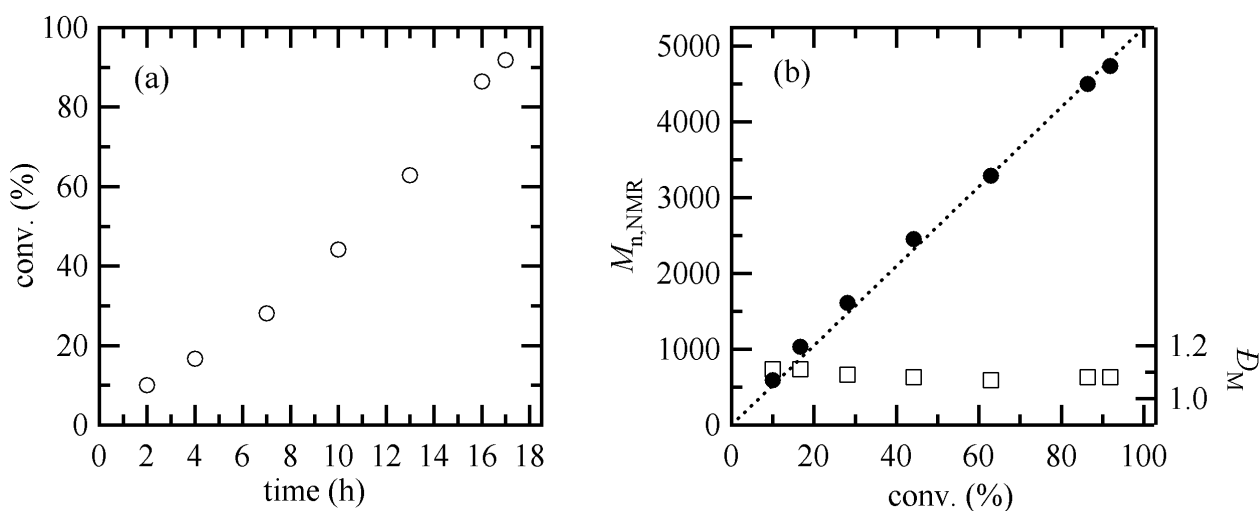
**Figure S13.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PLLA methylene resonances with selective decoupling of PLLA methyl resonances (run 21 in Table 2).



**Figure S14.** (a) MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of PLLA (run 21 in Table 2), (b) expanded spectrum (ranging from 4,900 to 5,300), and (c) theoretical molar mass values.



**Figure S15.** (a); Kinetic plots for the DPP-catalyzed bulk ROP of  $\epsilon$ -CL with  $[\epsilon\text{-CL}]_0/[\text{PPA}]_0/[\text{DPP}]_0 = 50/1/0.05$ , and (b); dependence of  $M_{n,NMR}$  ( $\bullet$ ),  $D_M$  ( $\square$ ) and  $M_{n,th.}$  (dotted line) on monomer conversion (conv.).



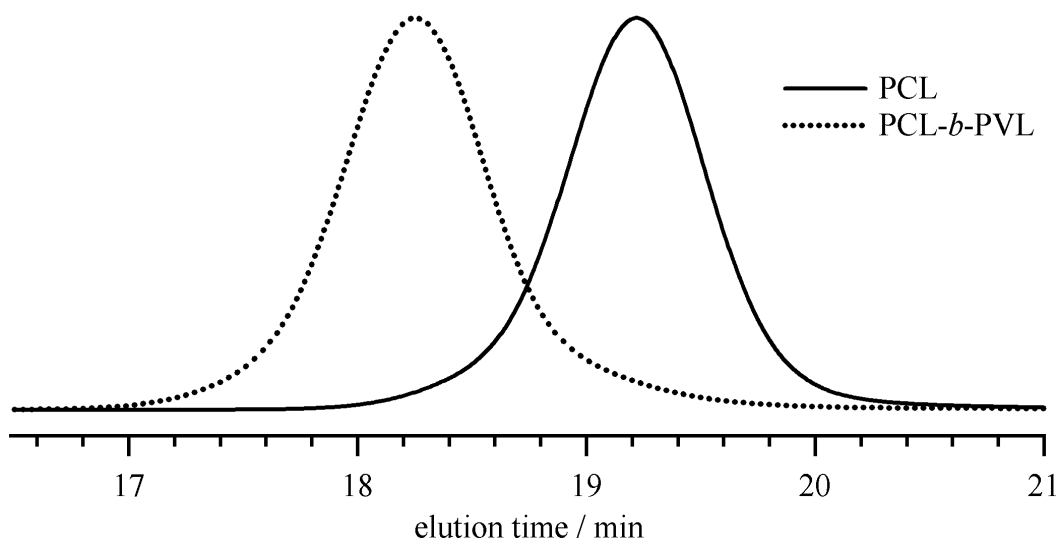
**Figure S16.** (a); Kinetic plots for the DPP-catalyzed bulk ROP of TMC with  $[\text{TMC}]_0/[\text{PPA}]_0/[\text{DPP}]_0 = 50/1/0.05$ , and (b); dependence of  $M_{n,NMR}$  ( $\bullet$ ),  $D_M$  ( $\square$ ) and  $M_{n,th.}$  (dotted line) on monomer conversion (conv.).



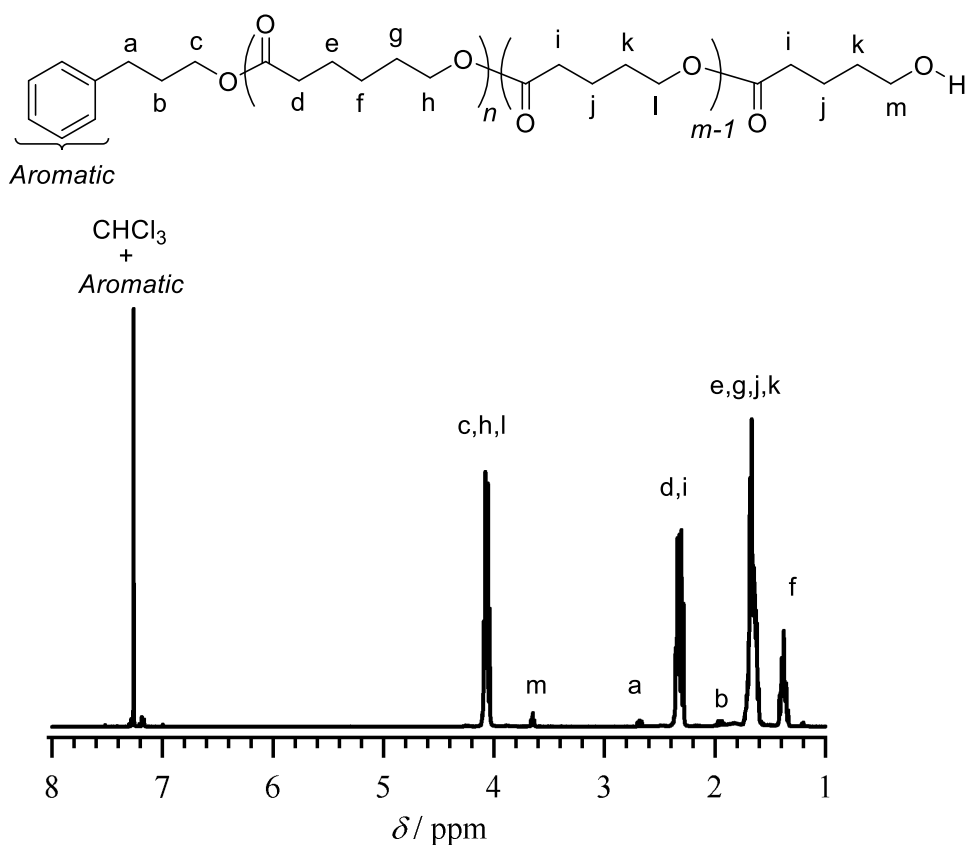
**Table S1.** Block copolymerization of  $\epsilon$ -CL,  $\delta$ -VL, DXO, and TMC catalyzed by DPP in the bulk <sup>a</sup>

run		monomer (M)	$[M]_0/[PPA]_0$	time	conv. (%) <sup>b</sup>	$M_{n,th.}$ <sup>b</sup>	$M_{n,NMR}$ <sup>c</sup>	$\bar{D}_M$ <sup>d</sup>
31	first	$\epsilon$ -CL	25/1	90min	94.7	2,800	2,800	1.11
	second	$\delta$ -VL	25/1	20min	78.6	4,800 <sup>e</sup>	5,000	1.13
32	first	TMC	25/1	560min	96.0	2,600	2,500	1.17
	second	$\delta$ -VL	25/1	20min	78.4	4,500	4,800	1.13
33	first	$\delta$ -VL	25/1	15min	97.1	2,700	2,600	1.15
	second	$\epsilon$ -CL	25/1	125min	88.0	5,100 <sup>e</sup>	5,200	1.15
34	first	DXO	25/1	210min	97.2	3,000	3,100	1.20
	second	$\epsilon$ -CL	25/1	130min	90.1	5,500 <sup>e</sup>	6,000	1.16

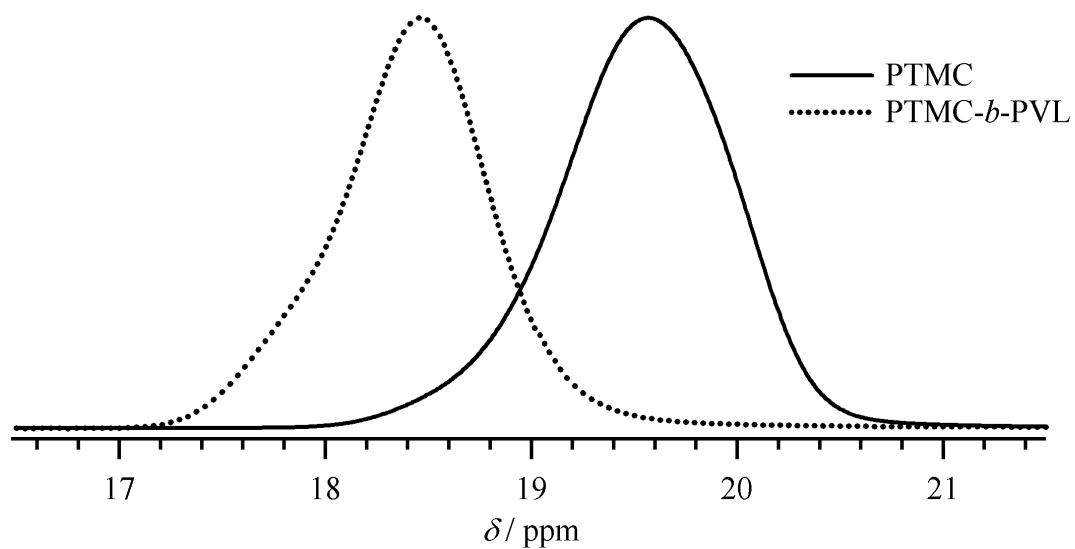
<sup>a</sup> Polymerization conditions: atmosphere, Ar; temperature, 80 °C. <sup>b</sup> Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the obtained polymer in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. <sup>c</sup> Calculated from  $[M_1]_0/[PPA]_0 \times \text{conv.} \times (\text{M.W. of } M_1) + (\text{M.W. of PPA})$ . <sup>d</sup> Determined by SEC measurement of the obtained polymer in CHCl<sub>3</sub>. <sup>e</sup> Calculated from  $[M_2]_0/[PPA]_0 \times \text{conv.} \times (\text{M.W. of } M_2) + (M_{n,NMR} \text{ of the polymer obtained from first polymerization})$ .



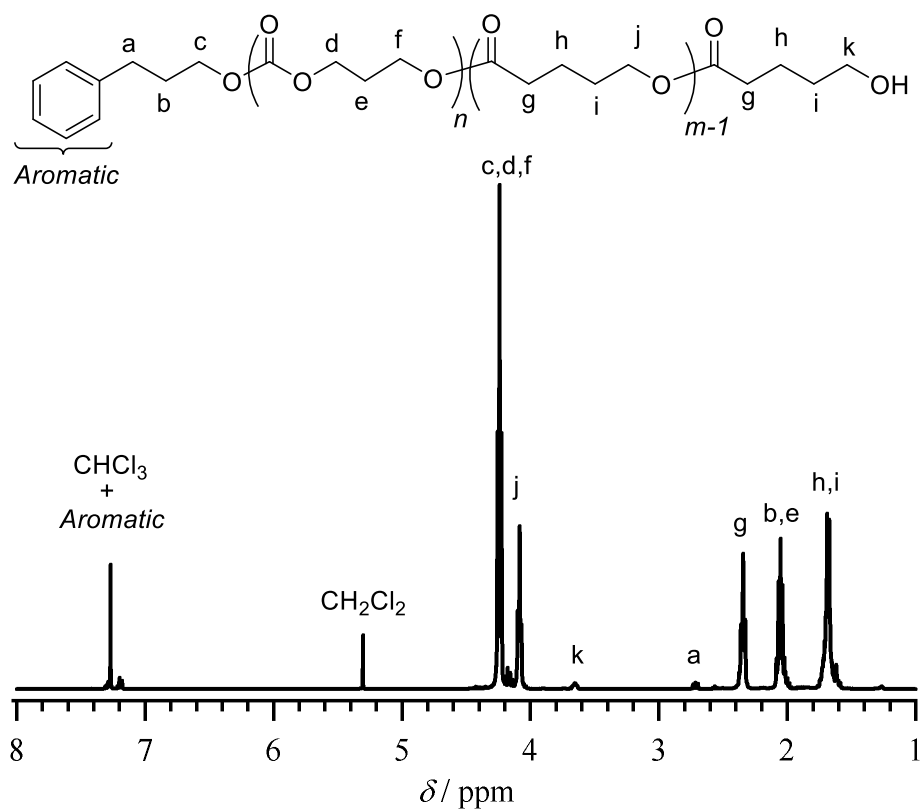
**Figure S17.** SEC traces of PCL obtained from the 1st polymerization and PCL-*b*-PVL (eluent, CHCl<sub>3</sub>; flow rate, 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup>).



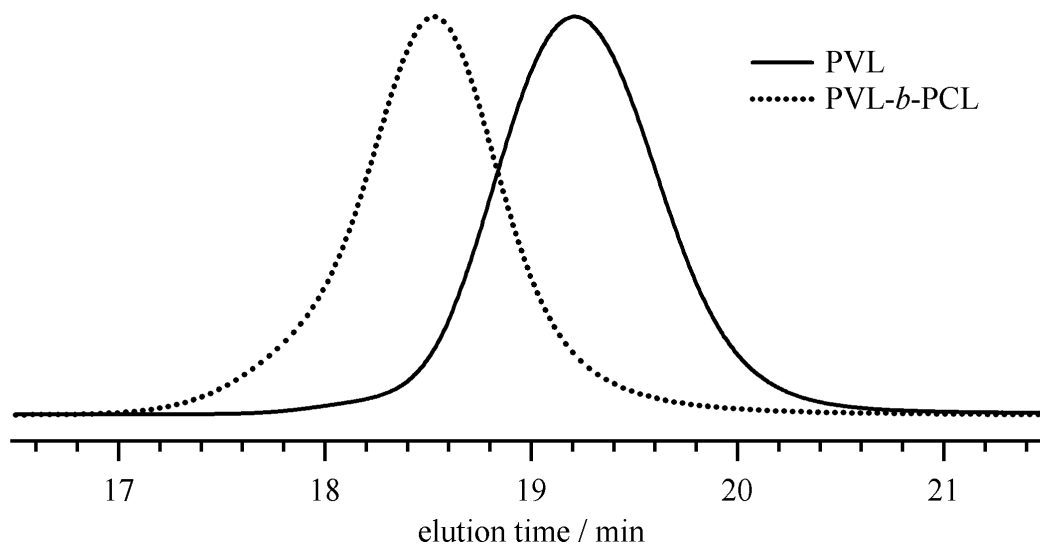
**Figure S18.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL-*b*-PVL in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 31 in Table S1).



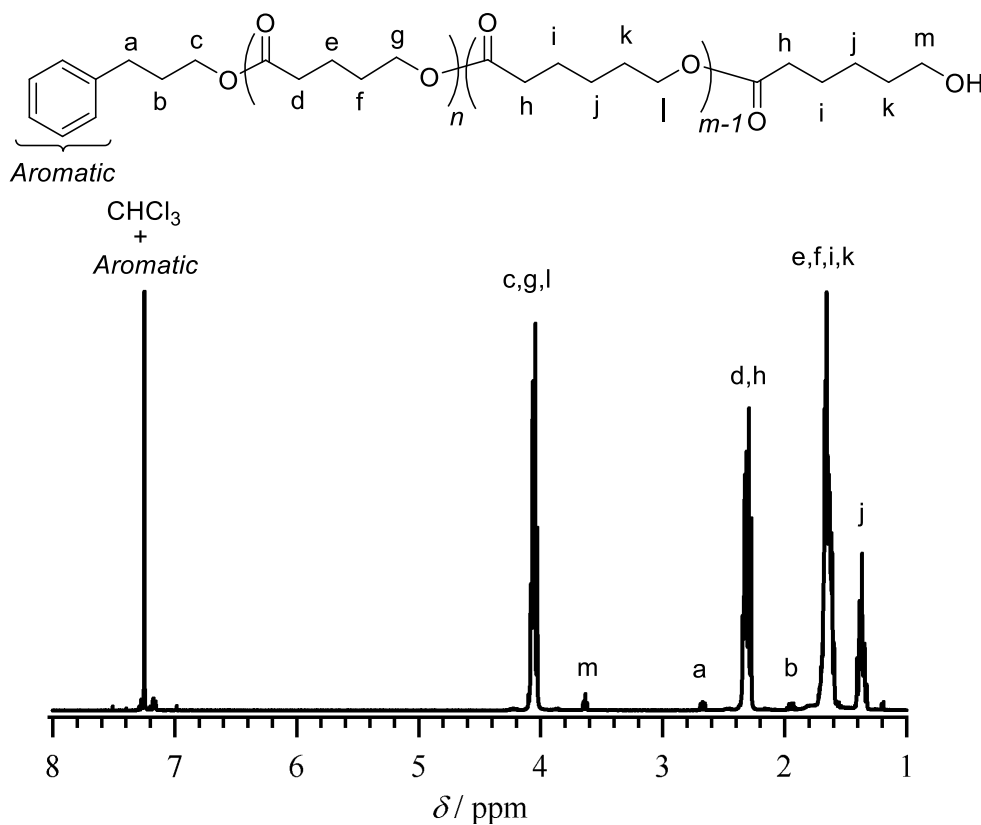
**Figure S19.** SEC traces of PTMC obtained from the 1st polymerization and PTMC-*b*-PVL (eluent, CHCl<sub>3</sub>; flow rate, 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup>).



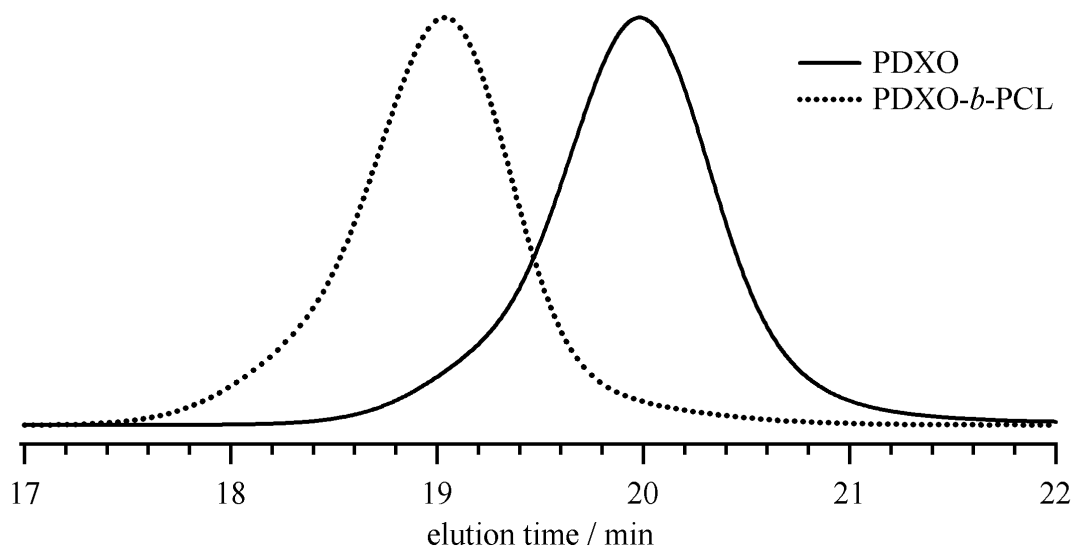
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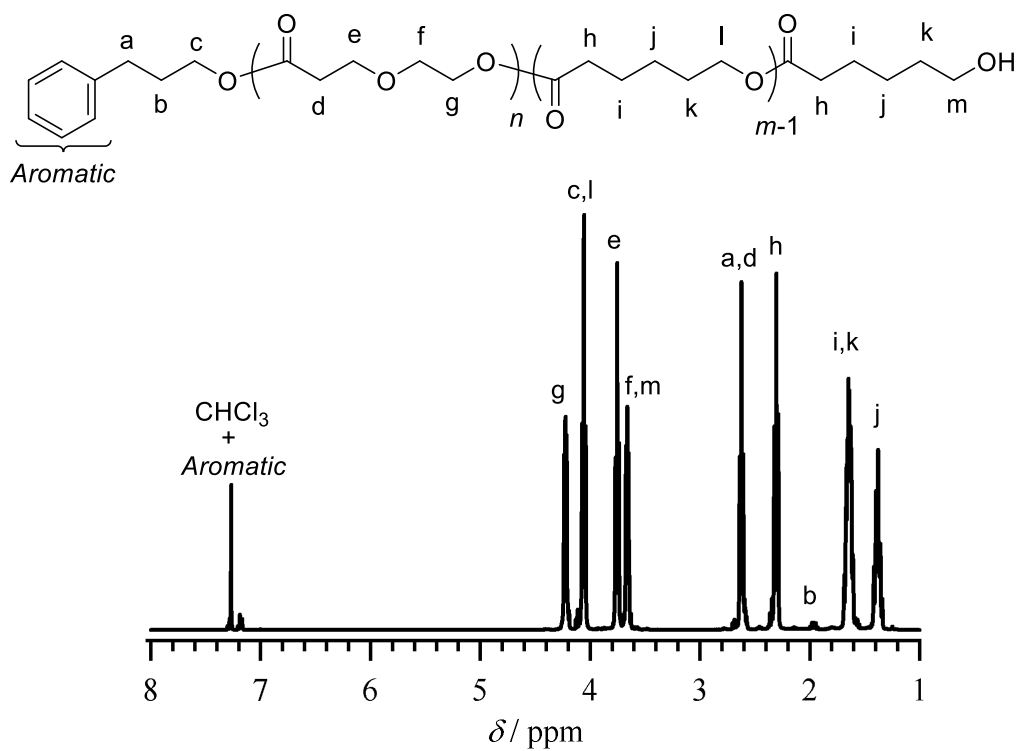
**Figure S21.** SEC traces of PVL obtained from the 1st polymerization and PVL-*b*-PCL (eluent, CHCl<sub>3</sub>; flow rate, 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup>).



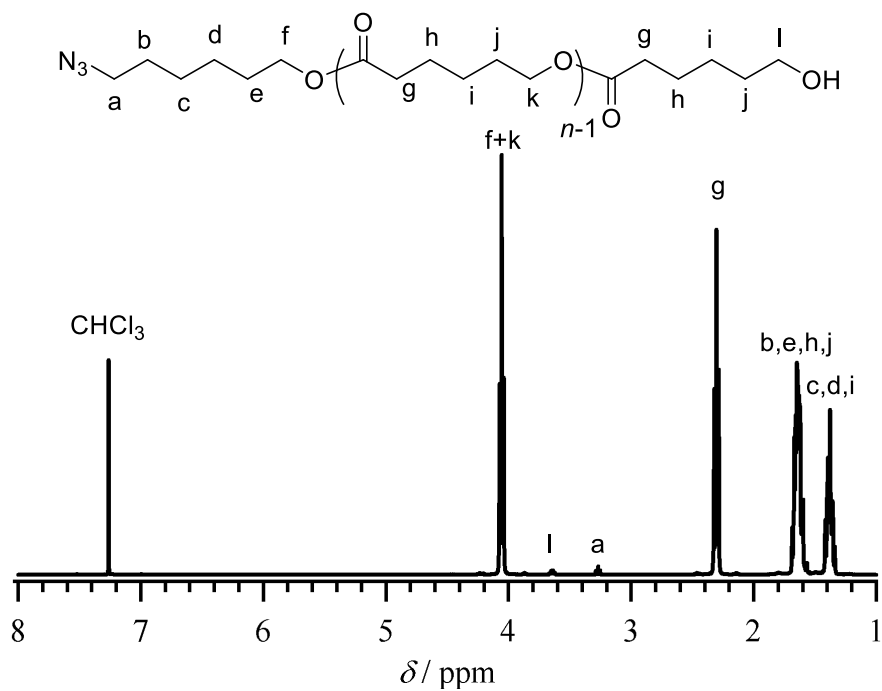
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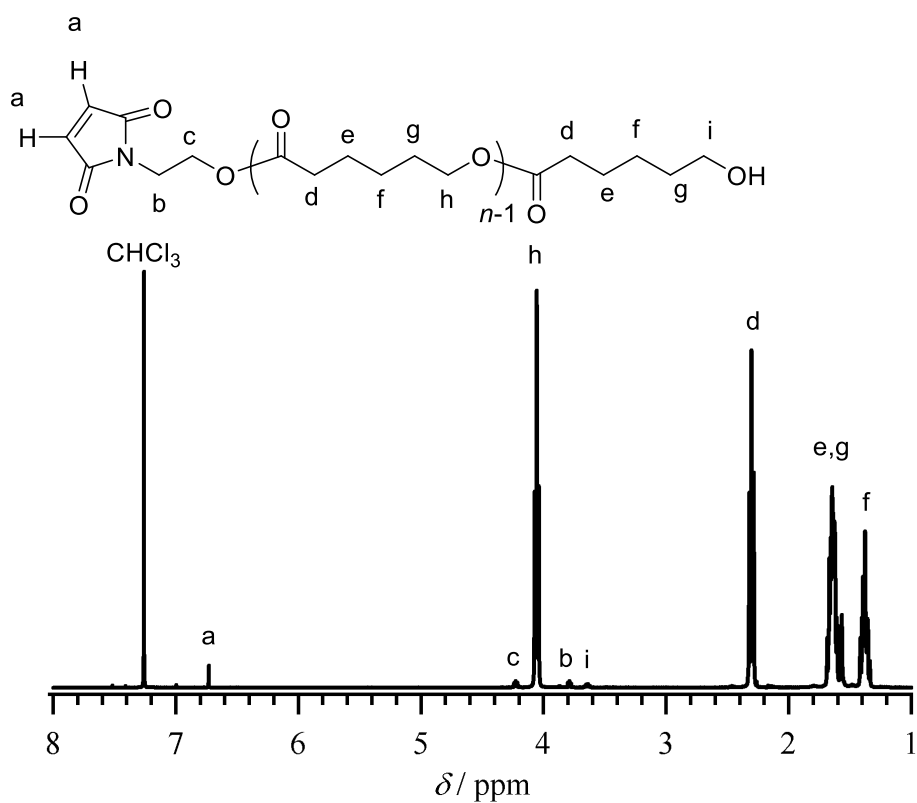
**Figure S23.** SEC traces of PDXO obtained from the 1st polymerization and PDXO-*b*-PCL (eluent, CHCl<sub>3</sub>; flow rate, 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup>).



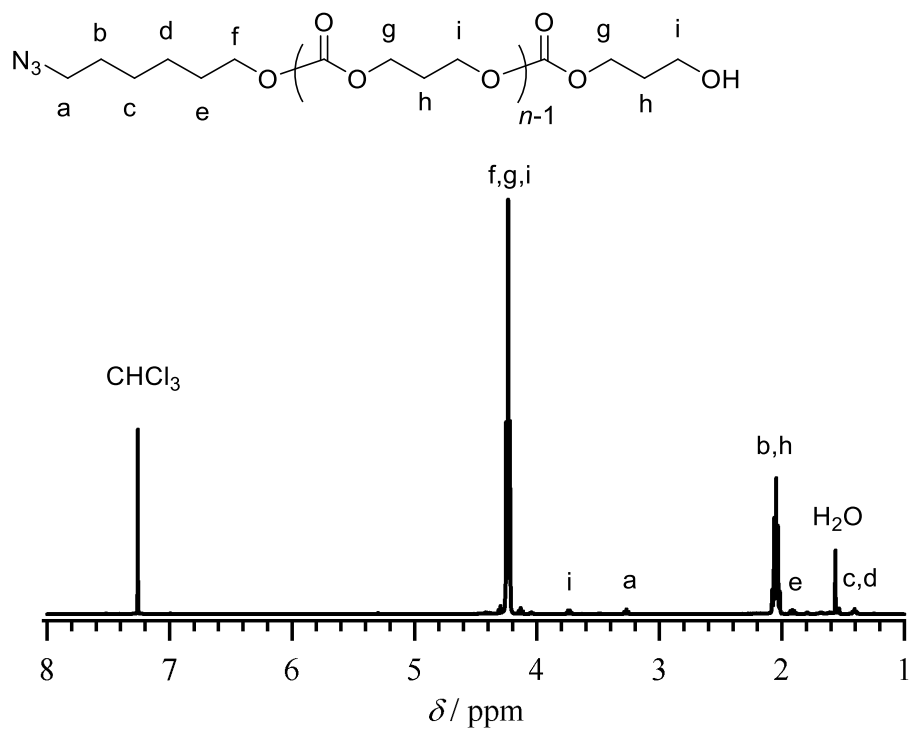
**Figure S24.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PDXO-*b*-PCL in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 34 in Table S1).



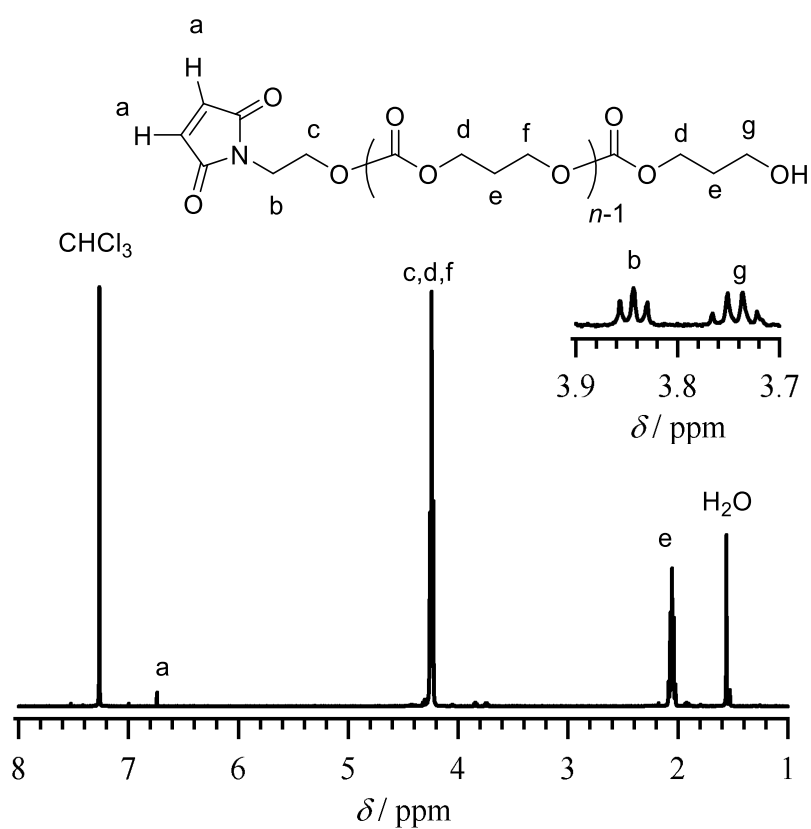
**Figure S25.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of N<sub>3</sub>-PCL in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 22 in Table 3).



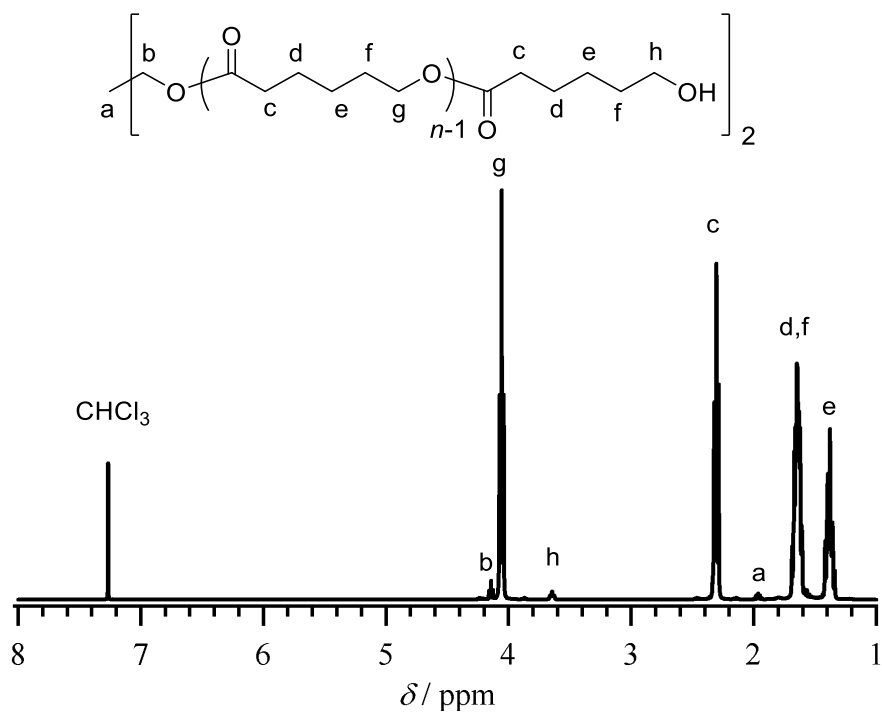
**Figure S26.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of MI-PCL in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 23 in Table 3).



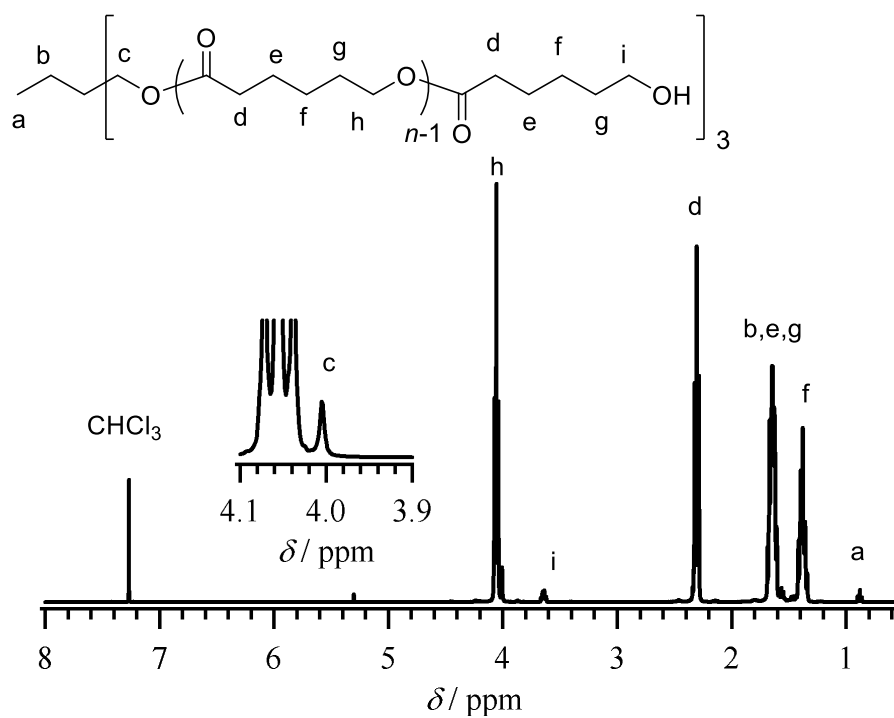
**Figure S27.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of N<sub>3</sub>-PTMC in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 24 in Table 3).



**Figure S28.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of MI-PTMC in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 25 in Table 3).

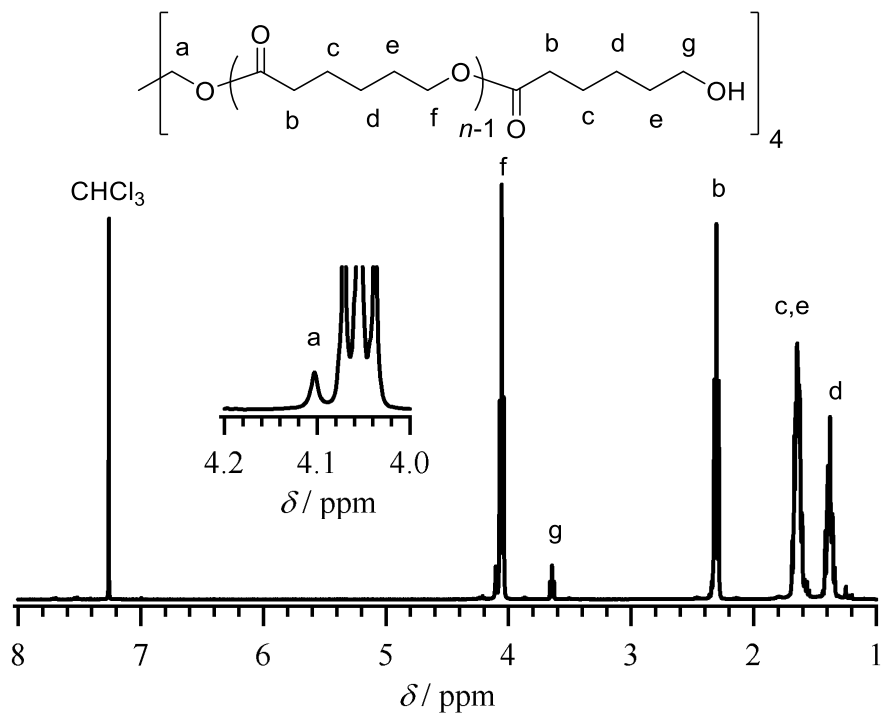


**Figure 29.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL-diol in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 26 in Table 3).

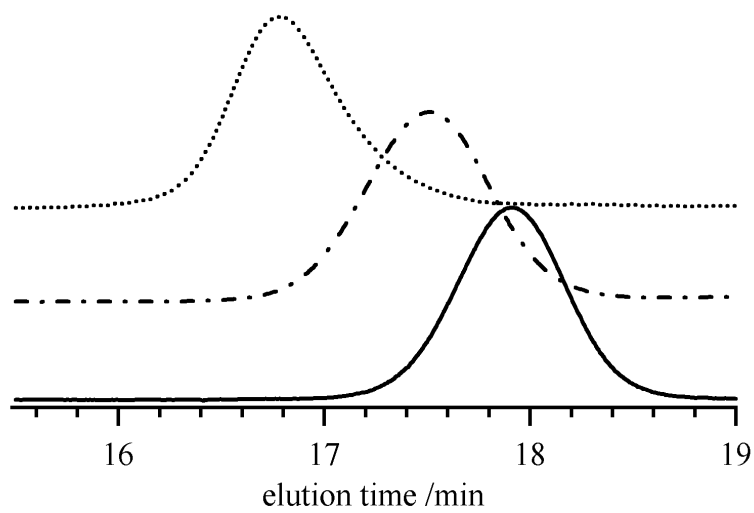


**Figure S30.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL-triol in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (run 27 in Table 3).

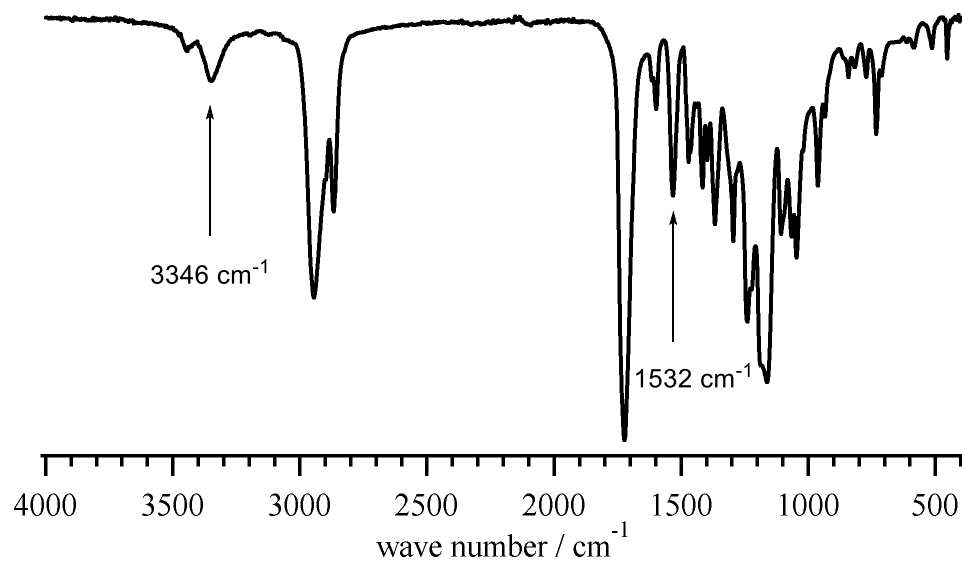




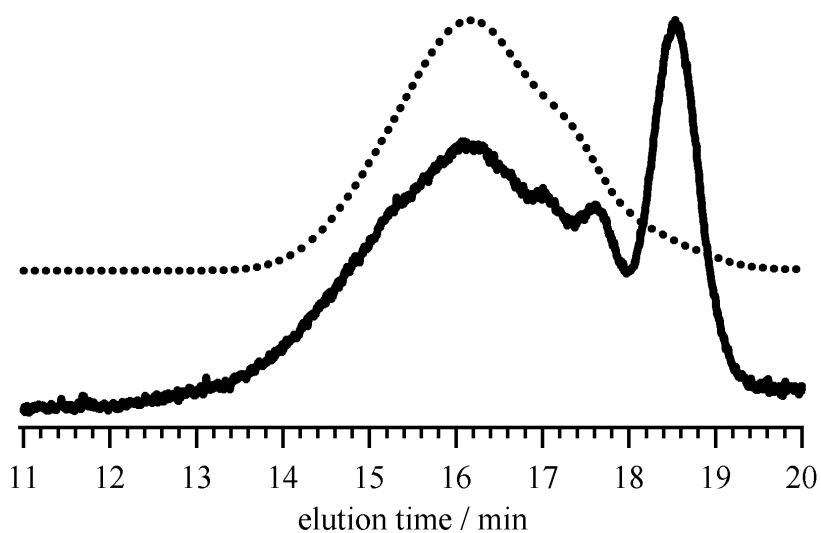
**Figure S31.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PCL-tetraol in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (run 28 in Table 3).



**Figure S32.** SEC traces of the obtained polymer in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  (solid line, run 28; chained line, run 29; dotted line, run 30).



**Figure S33.** FT-IR spectrum of the obtained PCL-based polyurethane in the presence of DPP.



**Figure S34.** SEC traces of the obtained PCL-based polyurethane in the presence of DPP; dotted line and in the absence of DPP; solid line (eluent, CHCl<sub>3</sub>; flow rate, 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup>).

### One-pot synthesis of PCL-*b*-PVL.

$\epsilon$ -CL (0.570 mL, 5.00 mmol), PPA (27.2  $\mu$ L, 200  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (2.50 mg, 10.0  $\mu$ mol) were placed in a reaction vessel, which was sealed under an argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C in an oil bath. After 90 min, we obtained a portion of the reaction mixture for SEC measurement and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR measurement, then  $\delta$ -VL (0.453 mL, 5.00 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture. The polymerization was quenched by adding Amberlyst® A21. The reaction mixture was purified by reprecipitation from  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution into cold methanol/*n*-hexane (v/v = 9/1) to give the PCL-*b*-PVL (812 mg) as a white solid. Yield, 84.6%.  $M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 5,000$ ;  $M_{n,\text{SEC}} = 8,700$ ,  $D_M = 1.13$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.37 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ), 1.57-1.75 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_m$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_m$ ), 1.95 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 2.26-2.40 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_m$ ), 2.69 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.8$  Hz,  $\text{ArCH}_2-$ ), 3.65 (m, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ), 4.02-4.13 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times (m-1)$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_{m-1}$ , 2H,  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 7.16-7.32 (m, 5H, aromatic).

The syntheses of PTMC-*b*-PVL, PVL-*b*-PCL, and PDXO-*b*-PCL were performed using similar process.

**PTMC-*b*-PVL:** Yield, 88.0%.  $M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 4,800$ ;  $M_{n,\text{SEC}} = 7,500$ ,  $D_M = 1.13$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.57-1.78 (m,  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-)_m$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-)_m$ ), 1.96-2.12 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ; 2H,  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 2.34 (m,  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-)_m$ ), 2.72 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.8$  Hz,  $\text{ArCH}_2-$ ), 3.65 (m, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ), 4.08 (m,  $2\text{H} \times (m-1)$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_{m-1}$ ), 4.13-4.30 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ; 2H,  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 7.16-7.32 (m, 5H, aromatic).

**PVL-*b*-PCL:** Yield, 74.1%.  $M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 5,200$ ;  $M_{n,\text{SEC}} = 7,000$ ,  $D_M = 1.15$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.38 (m,  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-)_m$ ), 1.58-1.75 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_m$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_m$ ), 1.96 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArCH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 2.27-2.40 (m,  $2\text{H} \times n$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_n$ ;  $2\text{H} \times m$ ,  $(-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-)_m$ ), 2.69 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.6$  Hz,  $\text{ArCH}_2-$ ),

3.65 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.4$  Hz,  $-CH_2OH$ ), 4.02-4.12 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ;  $2H \times (m-1)$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_m$ ; 2H,  $ArCH_2CH_2CH_2-$ ), 4.20 (t,  $2H \times n$ ,  $J = 4.8$  Hz,  $(-COCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2-)_n$ ), 7.15-7.31 (m, 5H, aromatic).

**PDXO-*b*-PCL:** Yield, 5.5%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 6,000$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 5,200$ ,  $D_M = 1.16$ .  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.38 (m,  $2H \times m$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-)_m$ ), 1.58-1.71 (m,  $2H \times m$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_m$ ;  $2H \times m$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_m$ ), 1.97 (m,  $2H \times m$ ,  $ArCH_2CH_2-$ ), 2.28 (m,  $2H \times m$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_m$ ), 2.56-2.72 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ; 2H,  $ArCH_2CH_2-$ ), 3.62-3.71 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2OCH_2-)_n$ ; 2H,  $-CH_2OH$ ), 3.74 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ), 4.01-4.11 (m,  $2H \times (m-1)$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_m$ ; 2H,  $ArCH_2CH_2CH_2-$ ), 4.20 (t,  $2H \times n$ ,  $J = 4.8$  Hz,  $(-COCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2-)_n$ ), 7.13-7.29 (m, 5H, aromatic).

### Syntheses of functional PCLs with various initiators.

**$N_3$ -PCL:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of  $\epsilon$ -CL (1.120 mL, 10.0 mmol) in the presence of AHA (28.6 mg, 200  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (2.50 mg, 10.0  $\mu$ mol) for 420 min to give  $N_3$ -PCL (740 mg) as a white solid. Yield, 69.9%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 5,500$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 12,700$ ,  $D_M = 1.11$ .  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.31-1.41 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-)_n$ ; 4H,  $N_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$ ), 1.55-1.69 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ;  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_n$ ; 4H,  $N_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$ ), 2.31 (t,  $2H \times n$ ,  $J = 7.6$  Hz,  $(-COCH_2CH_2-)_n$ ), 3.28 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.0$  Hz,  $N_3CH_2-$ ), 3.63 (m, 2H,  $-CH_2CH_2OH$ ), 4.01-4.09 (m,  $2H \times (n-1)$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ; 2H,  $N_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$ ).

**MI-PCL:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of  $\epsilon$ -CL (1.120 mL, 10.0 mmol) in the presence of HEMI (28.2 mg, 200  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (2.50 mg, 10.0  $\mu$ mol) for 450 min to give MI-PCL (779 mg) as a white solid. Yield, 73.2%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 5,500$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 13,400$ ,  $D_M = 1.15$ .  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.36 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-)_n$ ), 1.58-1.71 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ;  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_n$ ), 2.29 (t,  $2H \times n$ ,  $J = 8.2$  Hz,  $(-COCH_2CH_2-)_n$ ), 3.64 (m, 2H,  $-CH_2CH_2OH$ ), 3.79 (t, 2H,  $J = 5.4$  Hz,  $-NCH_2-$ ), 4.06 (t,  $2H \times (n-1)$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz,  $(-CH_2CH_2O-)_n$ ), 4.23 (t, 2H,  $J = 5.2$  Hz,  $-NCH_2CH_2-$ ), 6.74 (s, 2H,  $-COCHCHCO-$ ).

**PCL-diol:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of  $\epsilon$ -CL (1.120 mL, 10.0 mmol) in the presence of 1,3-propanediol (14.3  $\mu$ L, 200  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (2.50 mg, 10.0  $\mu$ mol) for 180 min to give PCL-diol (776 mg) as a white solid. Yield, 75.5%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 5,100$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 11,400$ ,  $D_M = 1.13$ .  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.36 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-)_{n/2} \times 2$ ), 1.58-1.71 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_{n/2} \times 2$ ;  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_{n/2} \times 2$ ), 1.97 (m,  $2H$ ,  $-OCH_2CH_2CH_2O-$ ), 2.29 (t,  $2H \times n$ ,  $J = 8.2$  Hz,  $(-COCH_2CH_2-)_{n/2} \times 2$ ), 3.63 (t,  $2H \times 2$ ,  $J = 6.4$  Hz,  $-CH_2CH_2OH$ ) 4.06 (t,  $2H \times (n-1)$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz,  $(-CH_2CH_2O-)_{(n-1)/2} \times 2$ ), 4.15 (t,  $4H$ ,  $J = 6.2$  Hz,  $-OCH_2CH_2CH_2O-$ ).

**PCL-triol:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of  $\epsilon$ -CL (1.120 mL, 10.0 mmol) in the presence of trimethylolpropane (26.8 mg, 200  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (2.50 mg, 10.0  $\mu$ mol) for 150 min to give PCL-triol (666 mg) as a white solid. Yield, 66.1%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 5,200$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 11,500$ ,  $D_M = 1.07$ .  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 0.89 (t,  $3H$ ,  $J = 7.4$  Hz,  $CH_3CH_2$ ), 1.36 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-)_{n/3} \times 3$ ), 1.55-1.72 (m,  $2H$ ,  $CH_3CH_2$ ;  $2H \times (n-1)$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_{n/3} \times 3$ ;  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_{n/3} \times 3$ ), 2.31 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-OCOCH_2CH_2-)_{n/3} \times 3$ ), 3.65 (m,  $6H$ ,  $-CH_2CH_2OH \times 3$ ), 4.01 (s,  $6H$ ,  $C(CH_2O)_3$ ), 4.06 (t,  $2H \times (n-1)$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz,  $(-CH_2CH_2O-)_{(n-1)/3} \times 3$ ).

**PCL-tetraol:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of  $\epsilon$ -CL (2.240 mL, 20.0 mmol) in the presence of pentaerythritol (27.2 mg, 200  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (2.50 mg, 10.0  $\mu$ mol) for 430 min to give PCL-tetraol (1.07 g) as a white solid. Yield, 48.2%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 10,600$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 16,900$ ,  $D_M = 1.07$ .  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.37 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-)_{n/4} \times 4$ ), 1.54-1.73 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-CH_2CH_2CH_2O-)_{n/4} \times 4$ ;  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-COCH_2CH_2CH_2-)_{n/4} \times 4$ ), 2.32 (m,  $2H \times n$ ,  $(-OCOCH_2CH_2-)_{n/4} \times 4$ ), 3.65 (t,  $8H$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz,  $-CH_2CH_2OH \times 4$ ) 4.06 (t,  $2H \times (n-1)$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz,  $(-CH_2CH_2O-)_{(n-1)/4} \times 4$ ), 4.11 (s,  $8H$ ,  $C(CH_2CO)_4$ ).

### Syntheses of functional PTMCs with various initiators.

**N<sub>3</sub>-PTMC:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of TMC (510 mg, 5.00 mmol) in the presence of AHA (14.3 mg, 100  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (1.2 mg, 0.50  $\mu$ mol) for 19 h to give N<sub>3</sub>-PTMC (379 mg) as a colorless waxy solid. Yield, 84.1%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 4,500$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 5,600$ ,  $D_M = 1.09$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.42 (m, 4H, N<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.92 (m, 2H, N<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.01-2.11 (m, 2H, N<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-; 2H  $\times$  ( $n-1$ ), (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-) <sub>$n-1$</sub> ), 3.28 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, N<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 3.74 (m, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 4.21-4.27 (m, 2H, N<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-; 4H  $\times$  ( $n-1$ ), (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O-) <sub>$n-1$</sub> ; 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH).

**MI-PTMC:** Procedure A was used for the ROP of TMC (510 mg, 5.00 mmol) in the presence of HEMI (14.1 mg, 100  $\mu$ mol) and DPP (1.2 mg, 0.50  $\mu$ mol) for 19 h to give MI-PTMC (429 mg) as a colorless waxy solid. Yield, 89.7%.  $M_{n,NMR} = 4,700$ ;  $M_{n,SEC} = 6,400$ ,  $D_M = 1.13$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.92 (m, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 2.00-2.13 (m, 2H  $\times$  ( $n-1$ ), (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-) <sub>$n-1$</sub> ), 3.74 (m, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 3.85 (t, 2H,  $J = 5.4$  Hz -NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 4.21-4.29 (m, 2H, -NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-; 4H  $\times$   $n-1$ , (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O-) <sub>$n-1$</sub> ; 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 6.74 (s, 2H, -COCHCHCO-).