

Supporting Information

Asymmetric Michael Addition in an Aqueous Environment with the Assistance of Optically Active Hyperbranched Polymers

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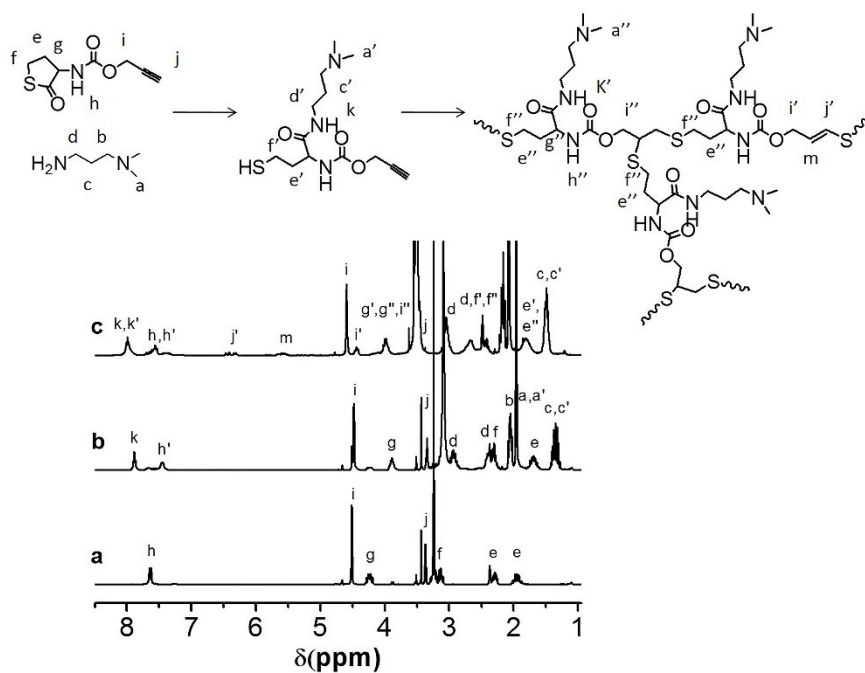


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectra recorded *in situ* for the reactions of POTC+DMPDA (molar feed ratio is 1:1.25) and thiol-click in DMSO- d_6 under irradiation of ultraviolet-light, the time of irradiation is 0 min (a), 30 min (b), 300 min (c).

Table S1. Optically active HPBs prepared from pure L-POTC, D-POTC, and the mixture with various molar ratio of L-POTC and D-POTC.

HPBs	n(L-POTC)/n(D-POTC) (molar feed ratio)	specific rotation of the obtained HPBs ($^\circ$)
HPBs-1	1/0	-8.1
HPBs-2	0.75/0.25	-3.9
HPBs-3	0.5/0.5	0
HPBs-4	0.33/0.67	2.6
HPBs-5	0.25/0.75	4.2
HPBs-6	0/1	8.3

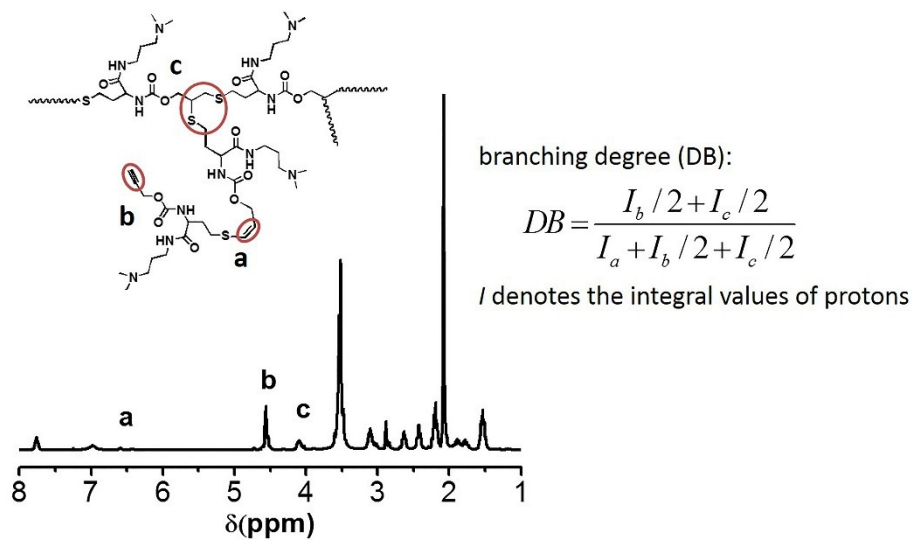


Figure S2. ^1H NMR spectrum of the obtained hyperbranched polymers deviated from racemic POTC monomer.

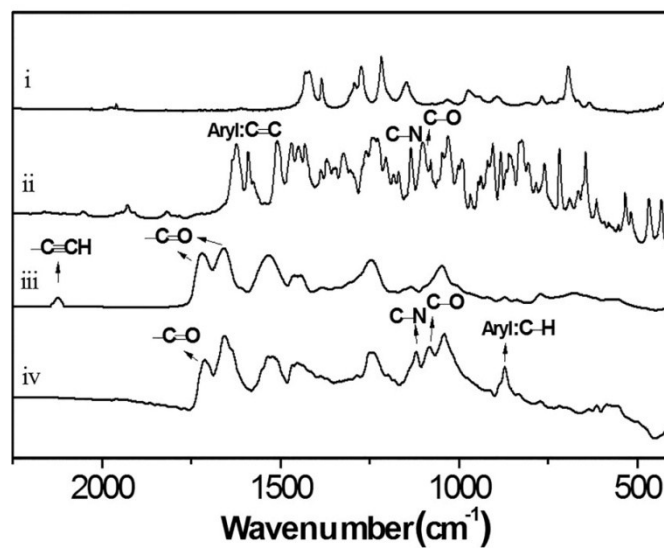


Figure S3. Typical FT-IR spectra of (i) 1,2-ethanedithiol, (ii) quinine, (iii) HPBs-3 and (iv) HPBs-3-*co*-quinine (in KBr tablet).

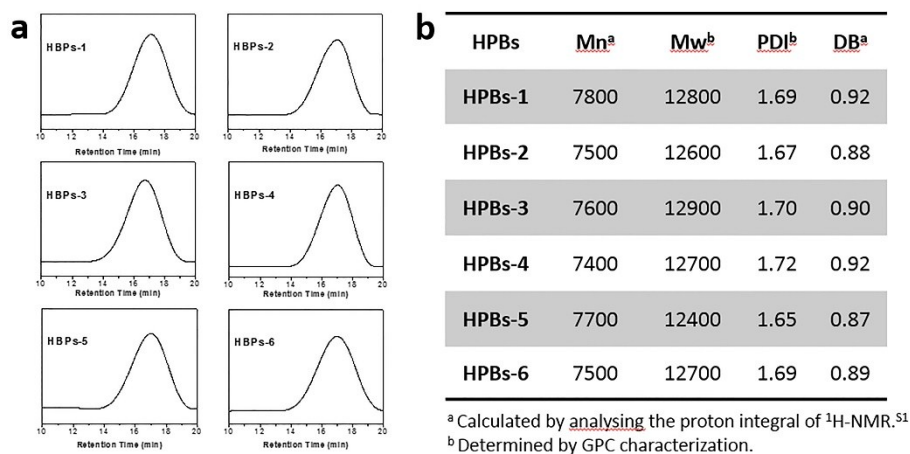
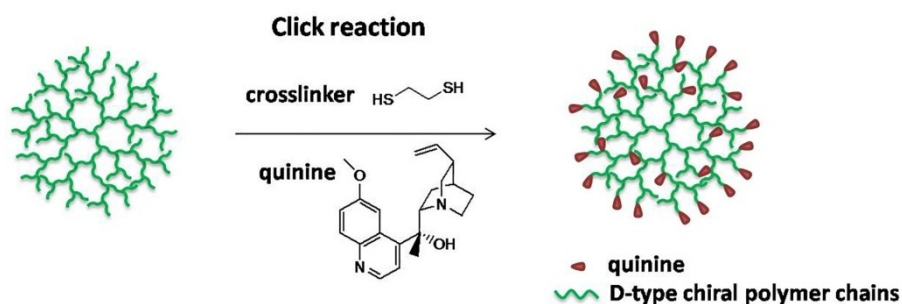


Figure S4. (a) GPC curves and (b) The Mn, Mw, PDI and DB of six optically active HPBs.



Scheme S1. Synthesis route of HPBs-6-co-quinine.

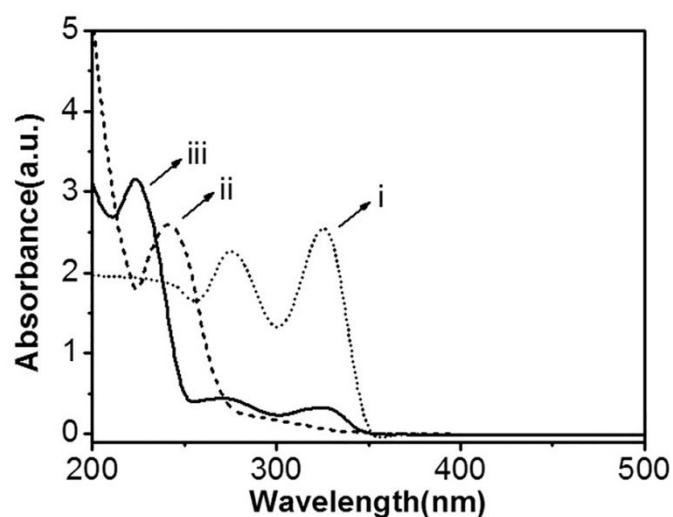
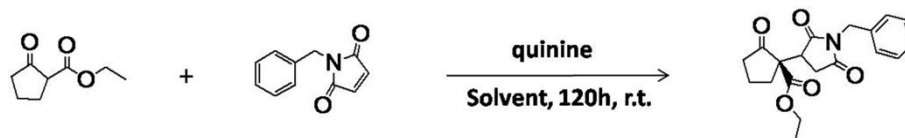


Figure S5. UV-vis spectra of (i) quinine, (ii) HPBs-3 and (iii) HPBs-3-co-quinine in the acetonitrile solution.



Scheme S2. Schematically illustration of the asymmetric Michael addition reaction catalyzed by quinine.

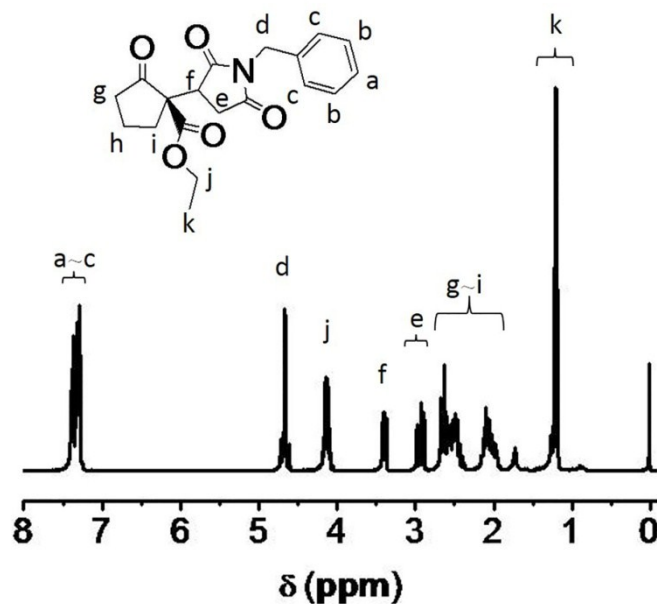


Figure S6. ^1H NMR spectrum of the Michael adduct catalyzed by the quinine and HPBs-6, measured in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

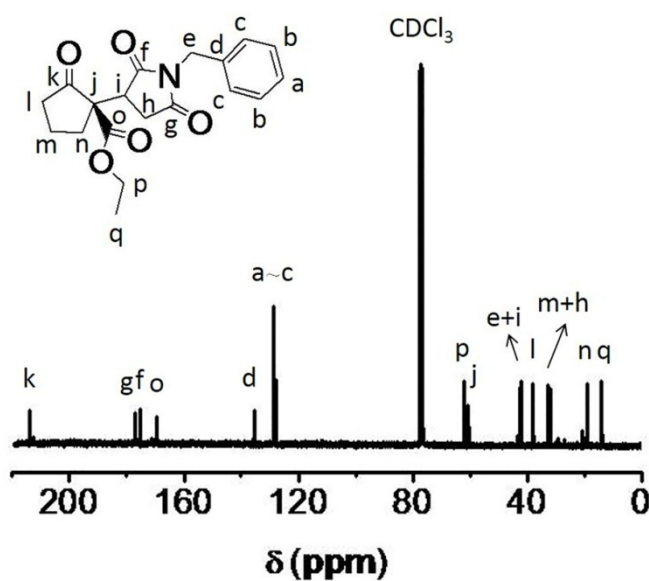


Figure S7. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of the Michael adduct catalyzed by the quinine and HPBs-6, measured in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

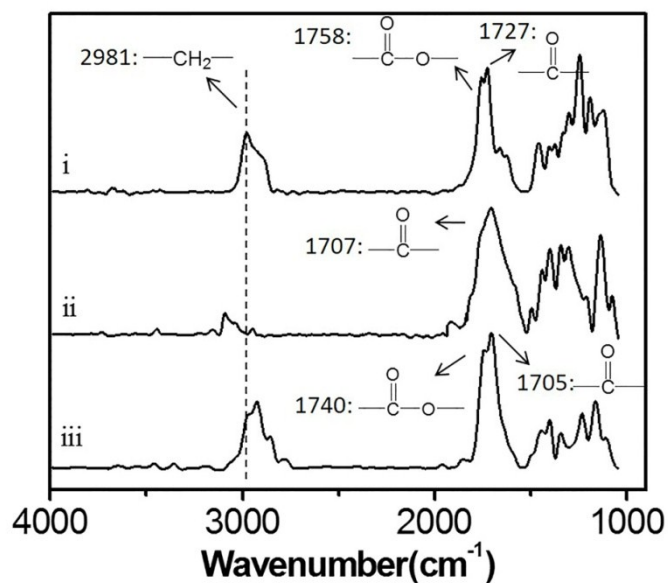


Figure S8. Typical FT-IR spectra of (i) 2-carbethoxycyclopentanone, (ii) N-benzylmaleimid and (iii) the Michael adduct catalyzed by quinine and HPBs-6 (in KBr tablet).

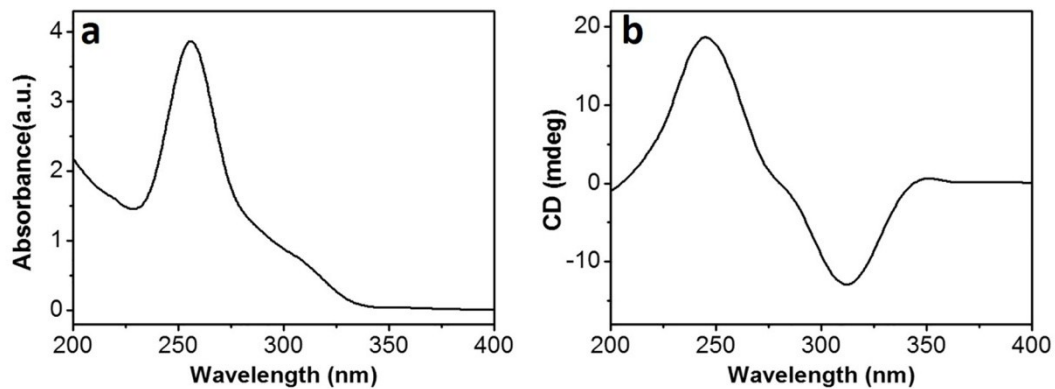


Figure S9. (a) UV-vis and (b) CD spectra of the Michael adduct catalyzed by the quinine and HPBs-6.

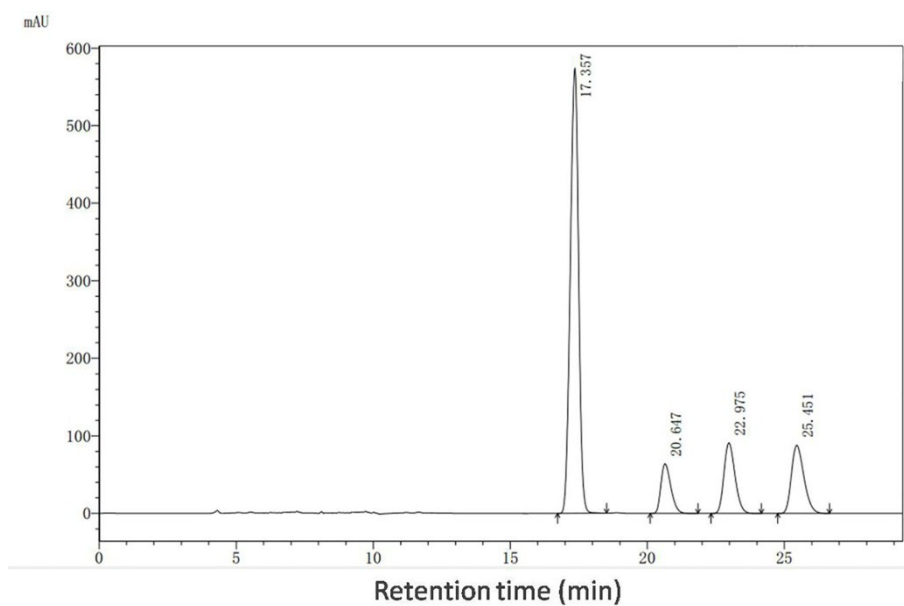


Figure S10. HPLC spectrum of the Michael adduct catalyzed by the quinine and HPBs-6 in dichloromethane.

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