

## Supplemental Materials for

Thermoplastic polyurethane with controllable degradation and critical anti-fouling properties

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## **Synthesis of poly(carboxybetaine) degradable urethane (PCBDU)**

### **1. Synthesis of PCBDU-1**

A temperature controller and a nitrogen inlet were added to a 250 mL three-necked round bottom flask with a mechanical stirrer to melt PCL-diol (8.92 g, 4.46 mmol). After melting, hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) (1.5g, 8.91 mmol) was added dropwise into the flask; moreover, 20 mL DMF was added to reduce the viscosity. This prepolymer solution was stirred for 2 h at 80 °C. CB-diol (1.17 g, 4.46 mmol) was added to the solution dropwise, and the solution was stirred for a further 30 min. The resulting solution was poured into a PTFE plate, which was subsequently placed in an oven at 100 °C for 12 h to enable the reaction to complete, and another 12 h to remove the residual solvent.

### **2. Synthesis of PCBDU-3**

A temperature controller and a nitrogen inlet were added to a 250 mL three-necked round bottom flask with a mechanical stirrer to melt PCL-diol (4.46 g, 2.23 mmol). After melting, hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) (1.5 g, 8.91 mmol) was added dropwise into the flask; moreover, 20 mL DMF was added to reduce the viscosity. This prepolymer solution was stirred for 2 h at 80 °C. CB-diol (1.75g, 6.69 mmol) was added to the solution dropwise, and the solution was stirred for a further 30 min. The resulting solution was poured into a PTFE plate, which was subsequently placed in an oven at 100 °C for 12 h to enable the reaction to complete, and another 12 h to remove the residual solvent.

### **3. Synthesis of PCBDU-5**

A temperature controller and a nitrogen inlet were added to a 250 mL three-necked round bottom flask with a mechanical stirrer to melt PCL-diol (2.98 g, 1.49 mmol). After melting, hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) (1.5 g, 8.91 mmol) was added dropwise into the flask; moreover, 20 mL DMF

was added to reduce the viscosity. This prepolymer solution was stirred for 2 h at 80 °C. CB-diol (1.95 g, 7.43 mmol) was added to the solution dropwise, and the solution was stirred for a further 30 min. The resulting solution was poured into a PTFE plate, which was subsequently placed in an oven at 100 °C for 12 h to enable the reaction to complete, and another 12 h to remove the residual solvent.

#### **4. Synthesis of PCBDU-7**

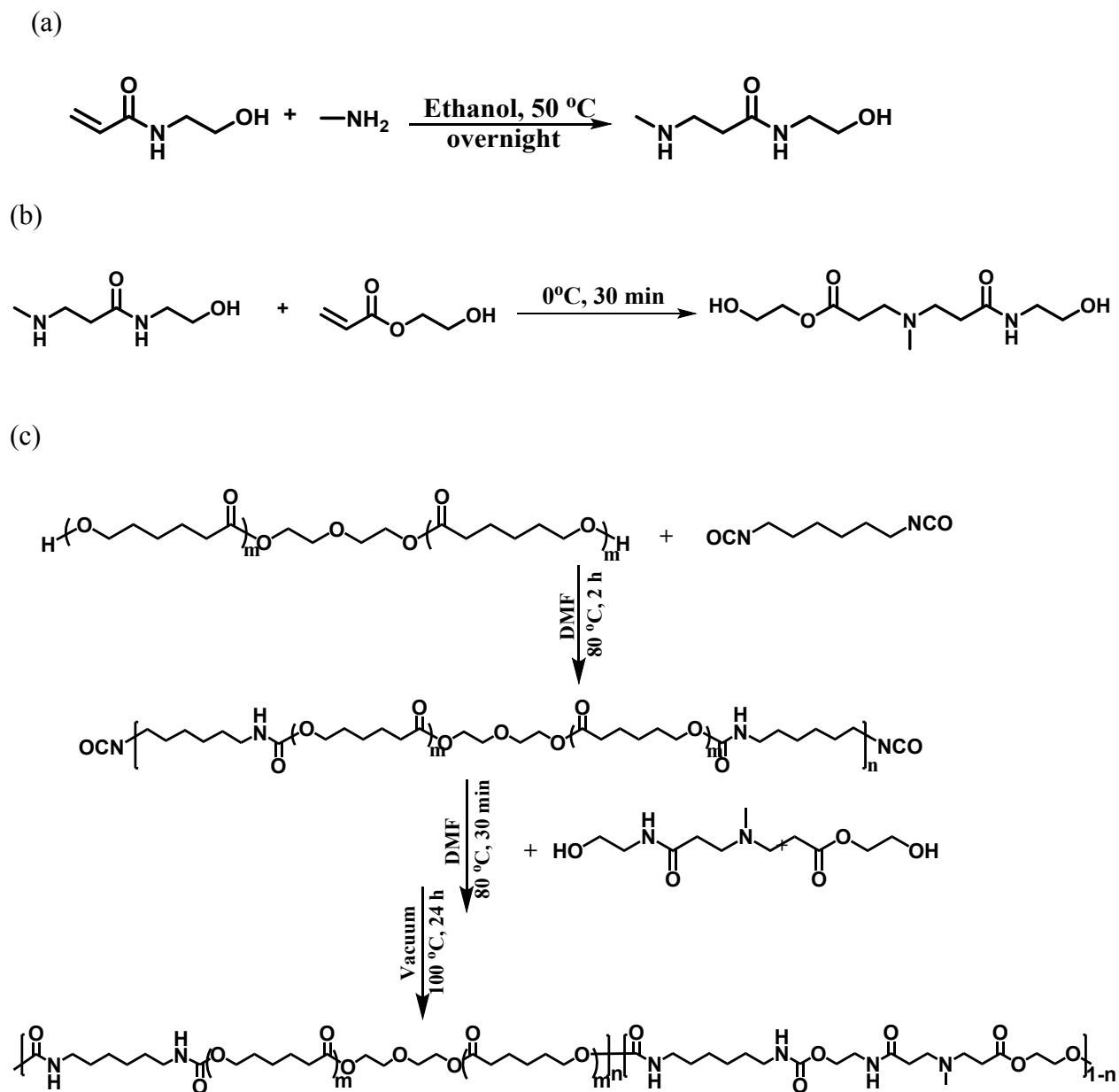
A temperature controller and a nitrogen inlet were added to a 250 mL three-necked round bottom flask with a mechanical stirrer to melt PCL-diol (2 g, 1 mmol). After melting, hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) (1.34 g, 8 mmol) was added dropwise into the flask; moreover, 20 mL DMF was added to reduce the viscosity. This prepolymer solution was stirred for 2 h at 80 °C. CB-diol (1.84g, 7 mmol) was added to the solution dropwise, and the solution was stirred for a further 30 min. The resulting solution was poured into a PTFE plate, which was subsequently placed in an oven at 100 °C for 12 h to enable the reaction to complete, and another 12 h to remove the residual solvent.

#### **5. Synthesis of Poly(ethylene glycol-co-carprolactone) urethane (PEGCU)**

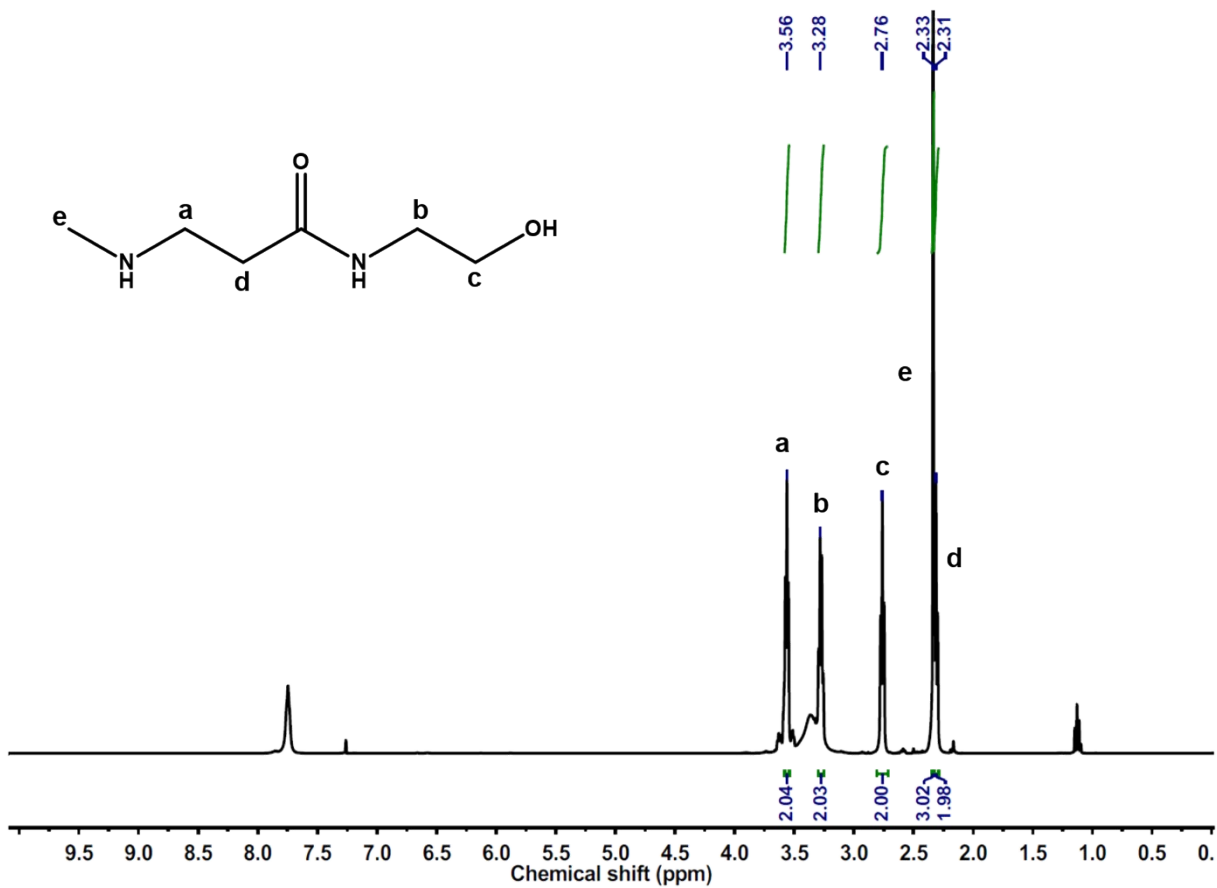
A temperature controller and a nitrogen inlet were added to a 250 mL three-necked round bottom flask with a mechanical stirrer to melt PCL-diol (2.22 g, 1.11 mmol). After melting, hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) (1.5 g, 8.91 mmol) was added dropwise into the flask; moreover, 20 mL DMF was added to reduce the viscosity. This prepolymer solution was stirred for 2 h at 80 °C. PEG 300 (2.34 g, 7.80 mmol) was added to the solution dropwise, and the solution was stirred for a further 30 min. The resulting solution was poured into a PTFE plate, which was subsequently placed in an oven at 100 °C for 12 h to enable the reaction to complete, and another 12 h to remove the residual solvent.

## **6. Synthesis of Poly(carprolactone) degradable urethane (PCLDU)**

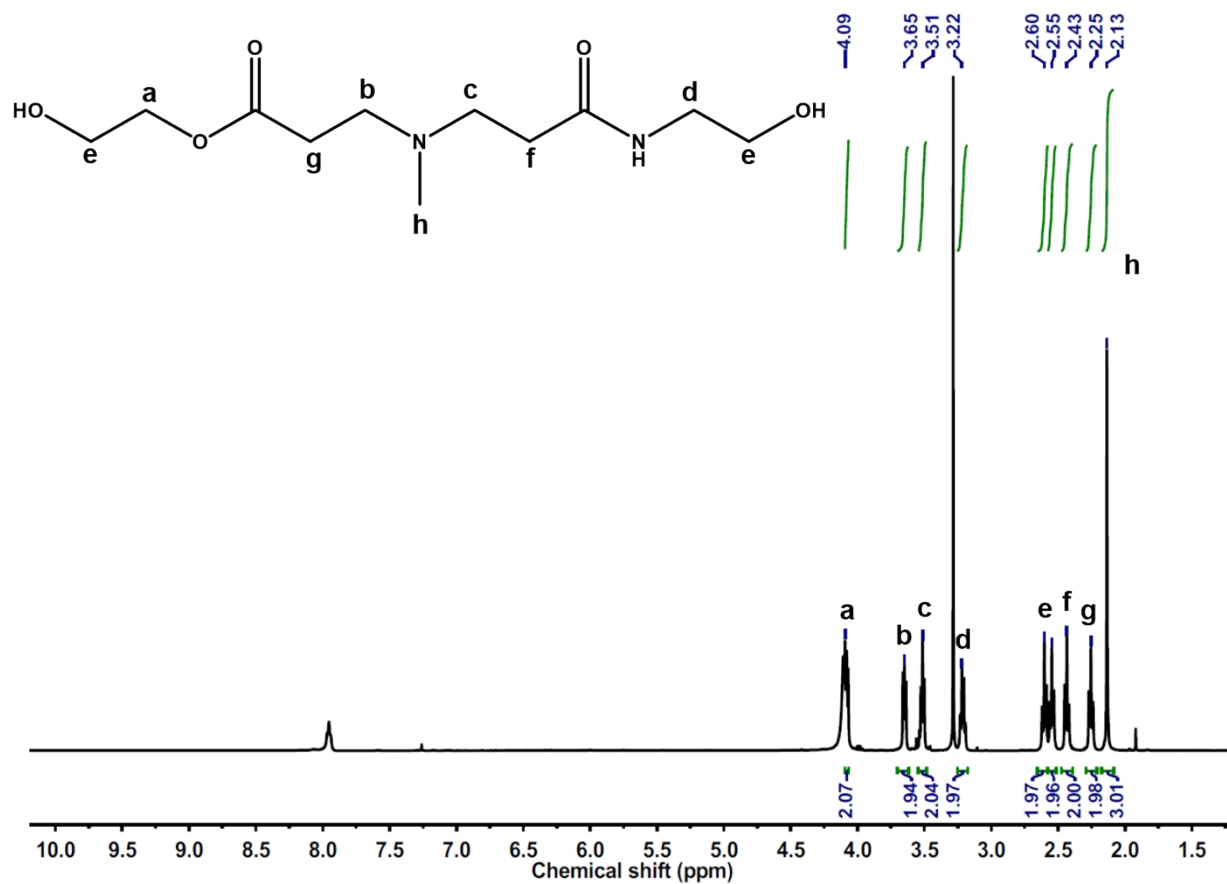
A temperature controller and a nitrogen inlet were added to a 250 mL three-necked round bottom flask with a mechanical stirrer to melt PCL-diol (5.94 g, 2.97 mmol). After melting, hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) (0.5 g, 2.97 mmol) was added dropwise into the flask; moreover, 20 mL DMF was added to reduce the viscosity. The resulting solution was poured into a PTFE plate, which was subsequently placed in an oven at 100 °C for 12 h to enable the reaction to complete, and another 12 h to remove the residual solvent.



**Scheme S1.** Synthetic route of (a) HMP, (b) CB-diol and (c) PCBDU.



**Figure S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum for HMP.



**Figure S2.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum for HAMAP.

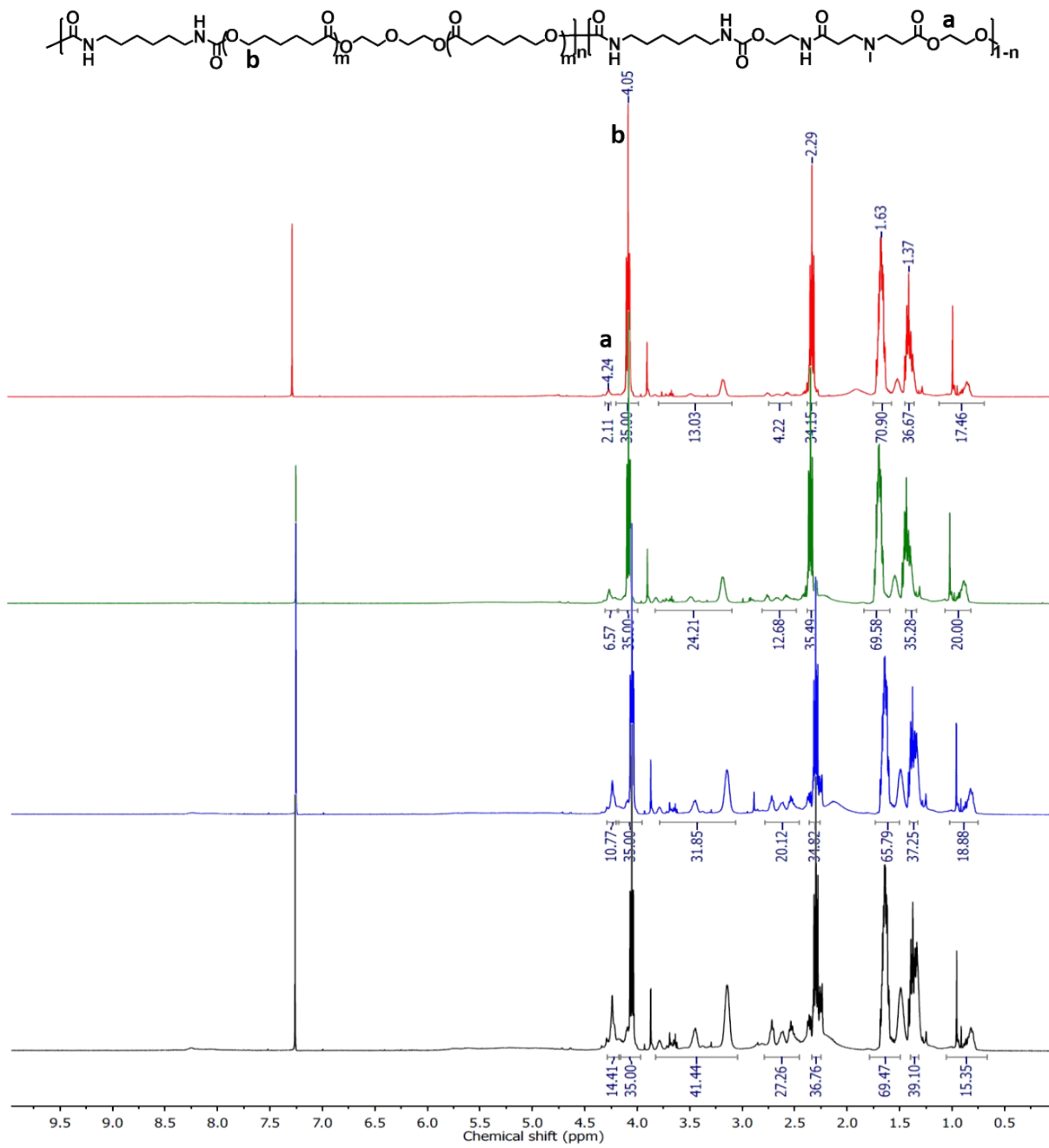
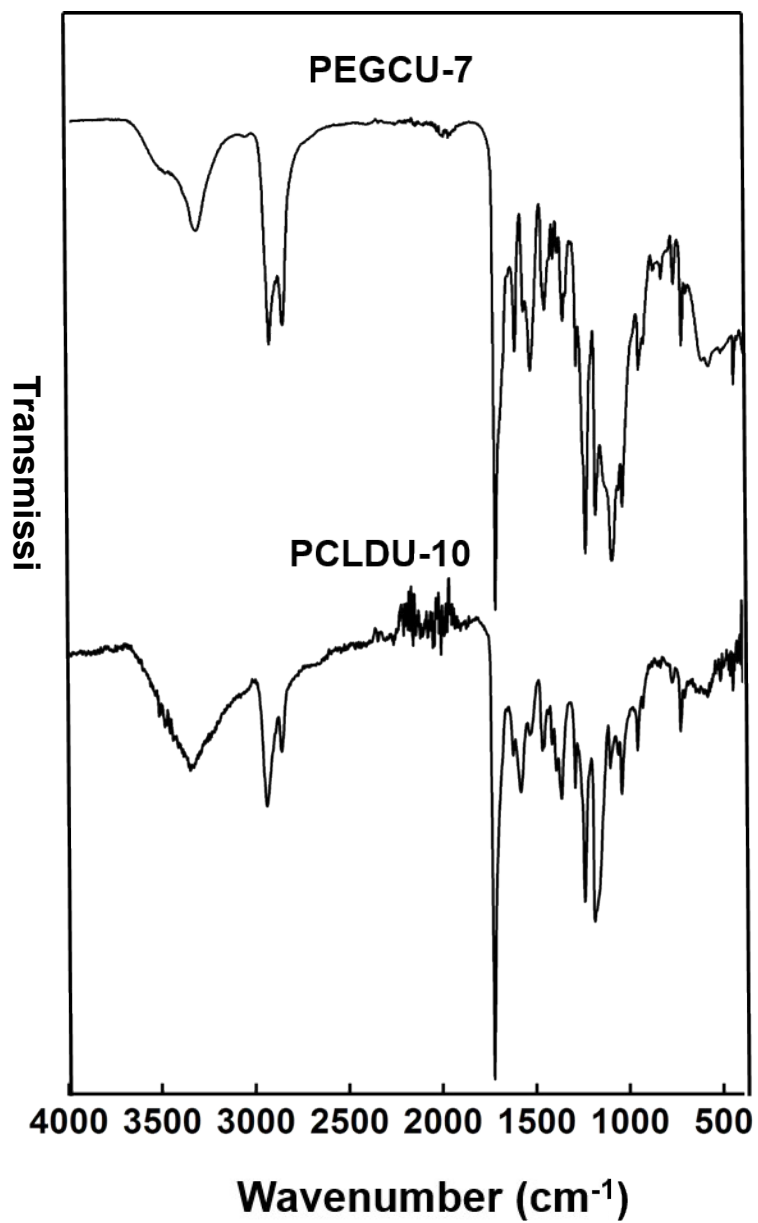


Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum for PCBDU.

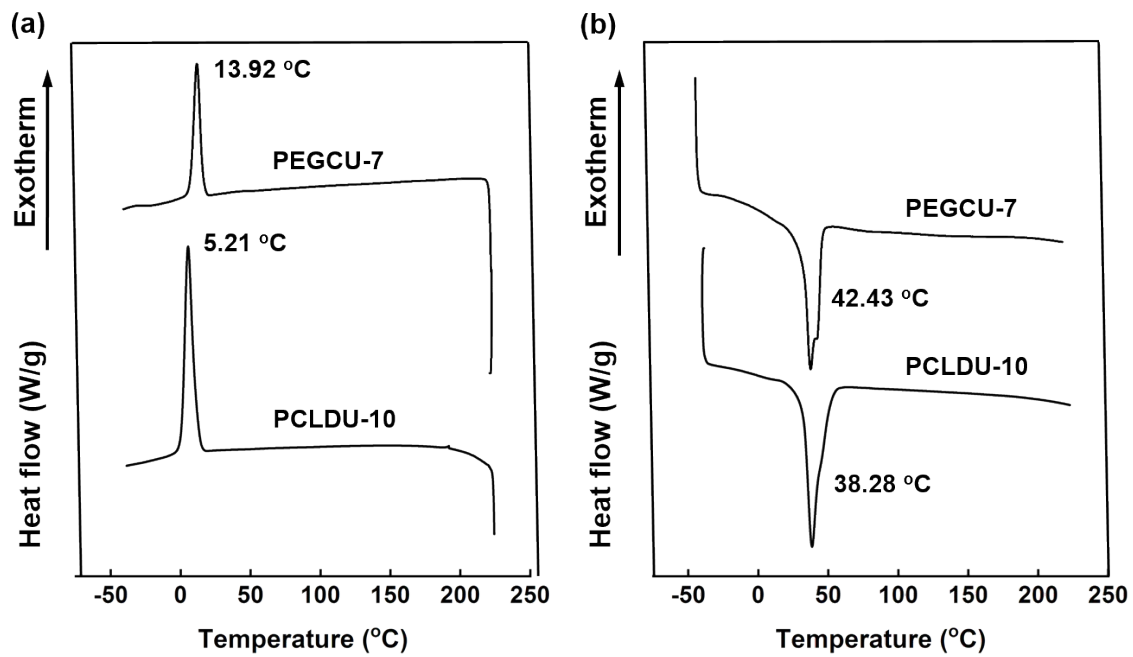


**Table S1.** The mole percentage and weight percentage of different diols in each sample.

	PCL <sub>2000</sub> -diol (mol%)	CB-diol (mol%)	PEG <sub>300</sub> -diol (mol%)	PCL <sub>2000</sub> -diol (wt%)	CB-diol (wt%)	PEG <sub>300</sub> -diol (wt%)
PCBDU-1	25.0	25.0	\	77.0	10.1	\
PCBDU-3	12.5	37.5	\	57.8	22.7	\
PCBDU-5	8.3	41.7	\	46.3	30.4	\
PCBDU-7	6.3	43.8	\	38.6	35.4	\
PEGCU-7	6.3	\	43.8	36.7	\	38.6
PCLDU-10	50.0	\	\	92.2	\	\



**Figure S4.** FT-IR spectra for PCLDU-10 and PEGCU-7.



**Figure S5.** DSC profiles for PCLDU-10 and PEGCU-7 (a) cooling curve (b) heating curve.

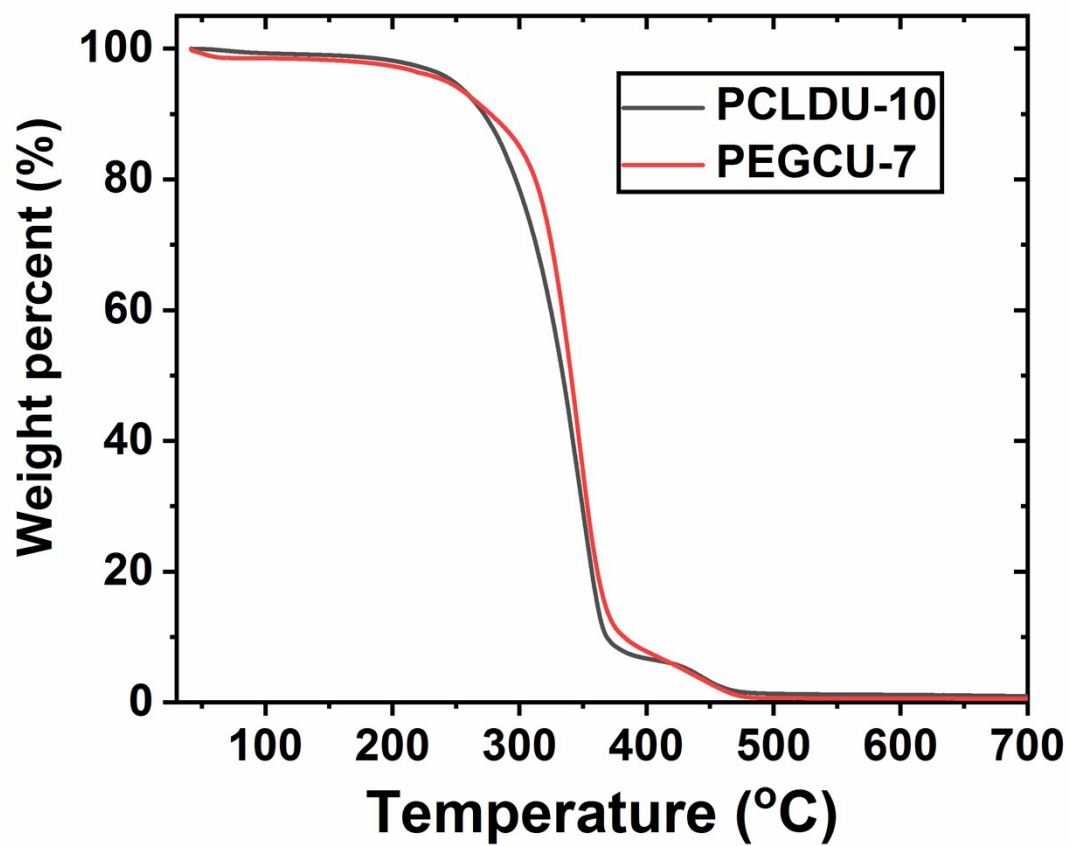


Figure S6. TGA profiles for PCLDU-10 and PEGCU-7.

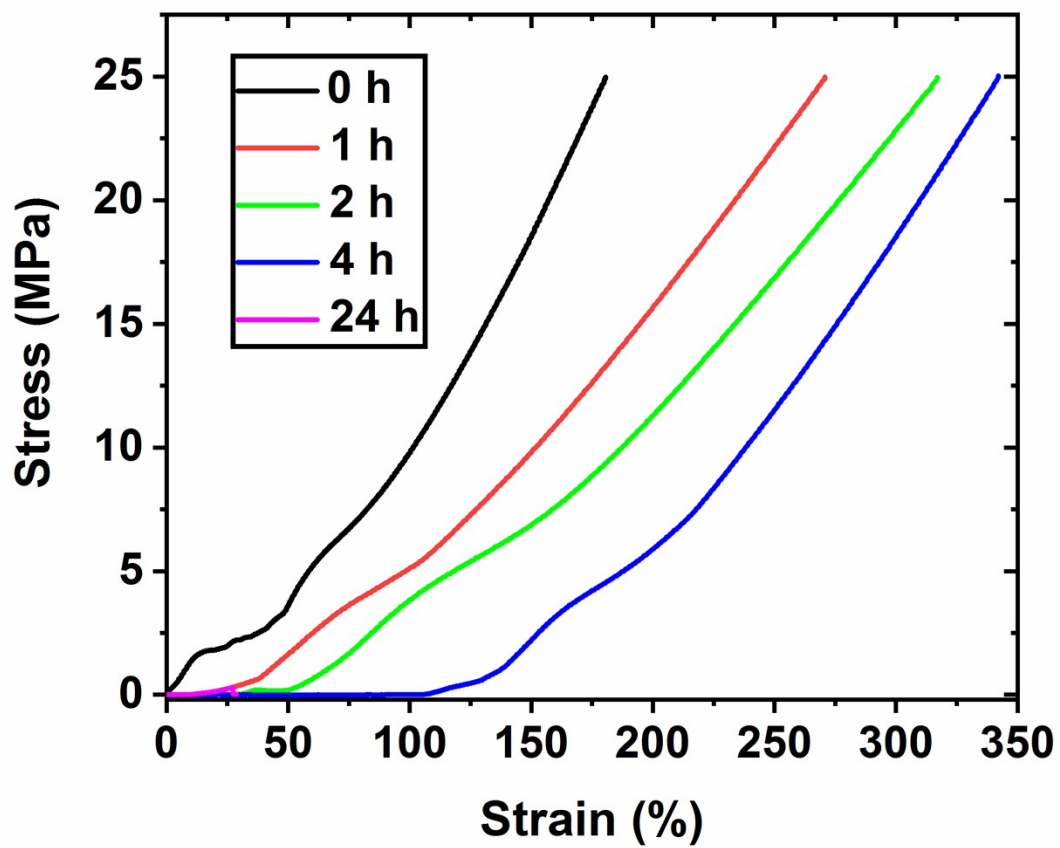
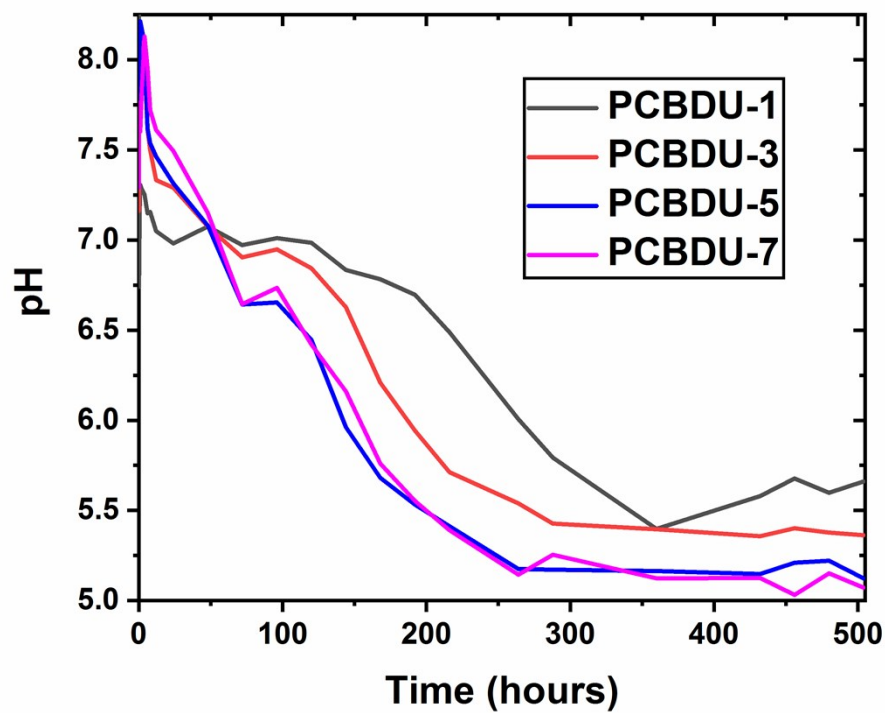


Figure S7. Compression test of PCBDU-1 with different hydrolysis time.



**Figure S8.** The pH change of the solution (DI water) during the hydrolysis of PCBDU s .

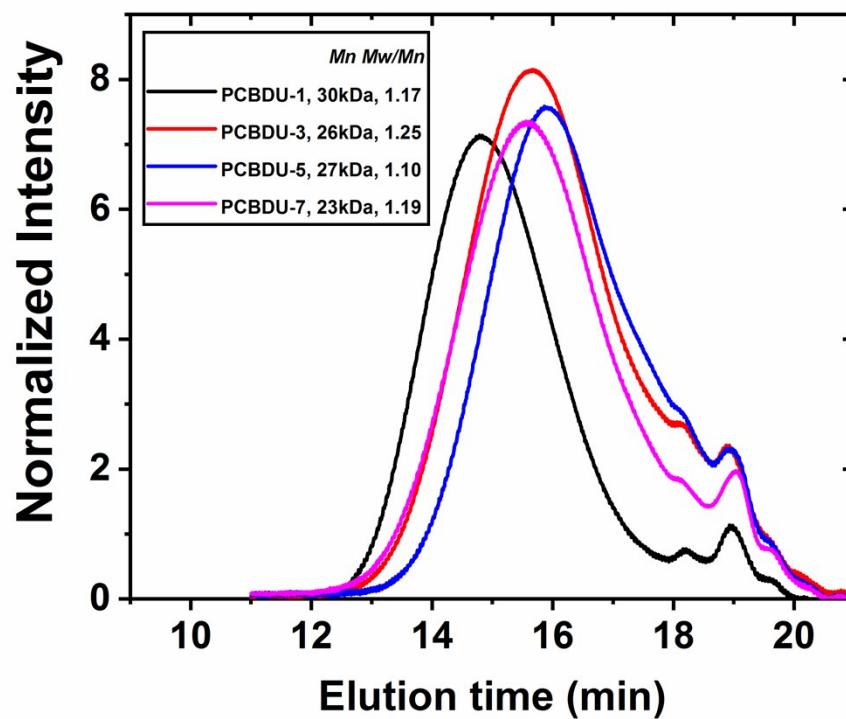


Figure S9. GPC spectrum for PCBDUs.

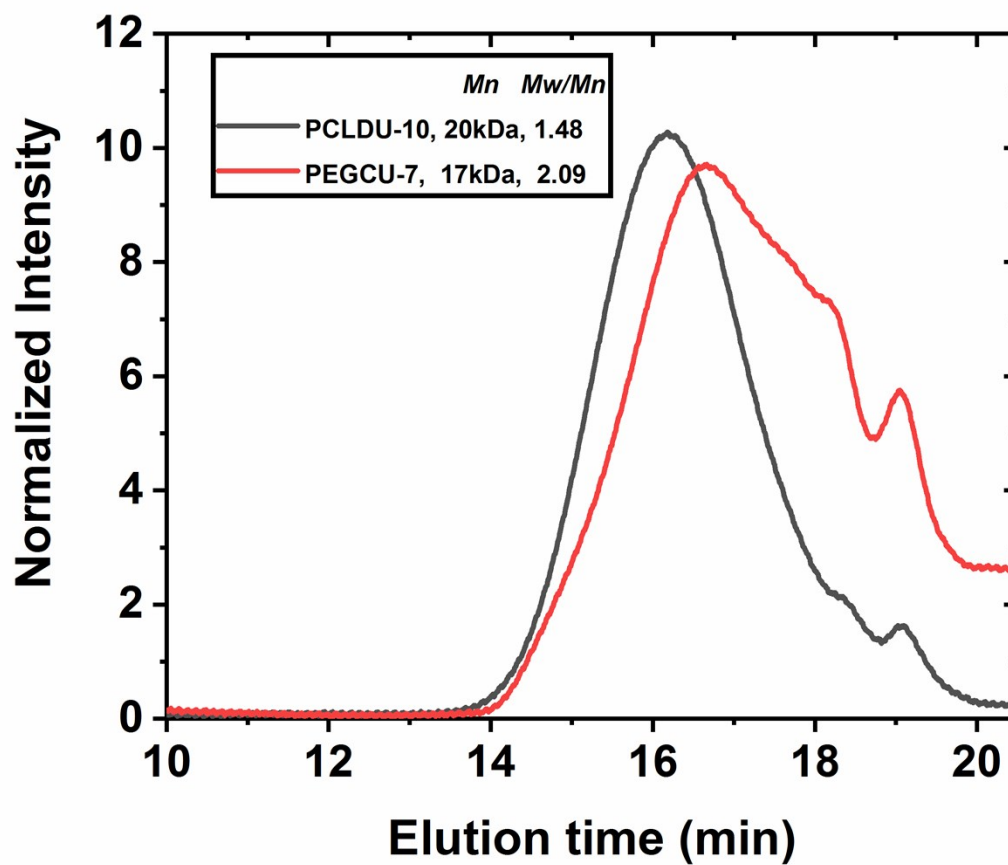
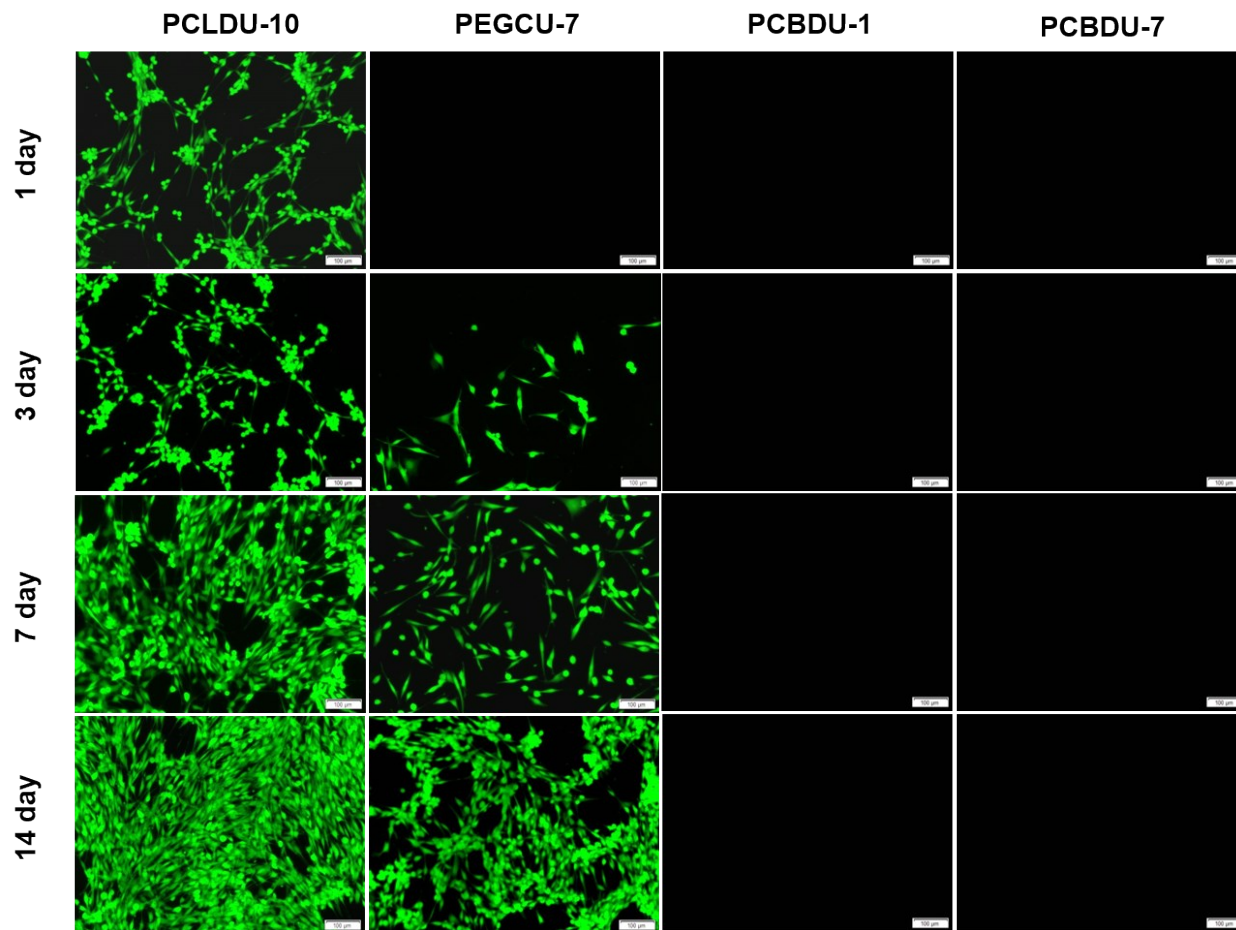
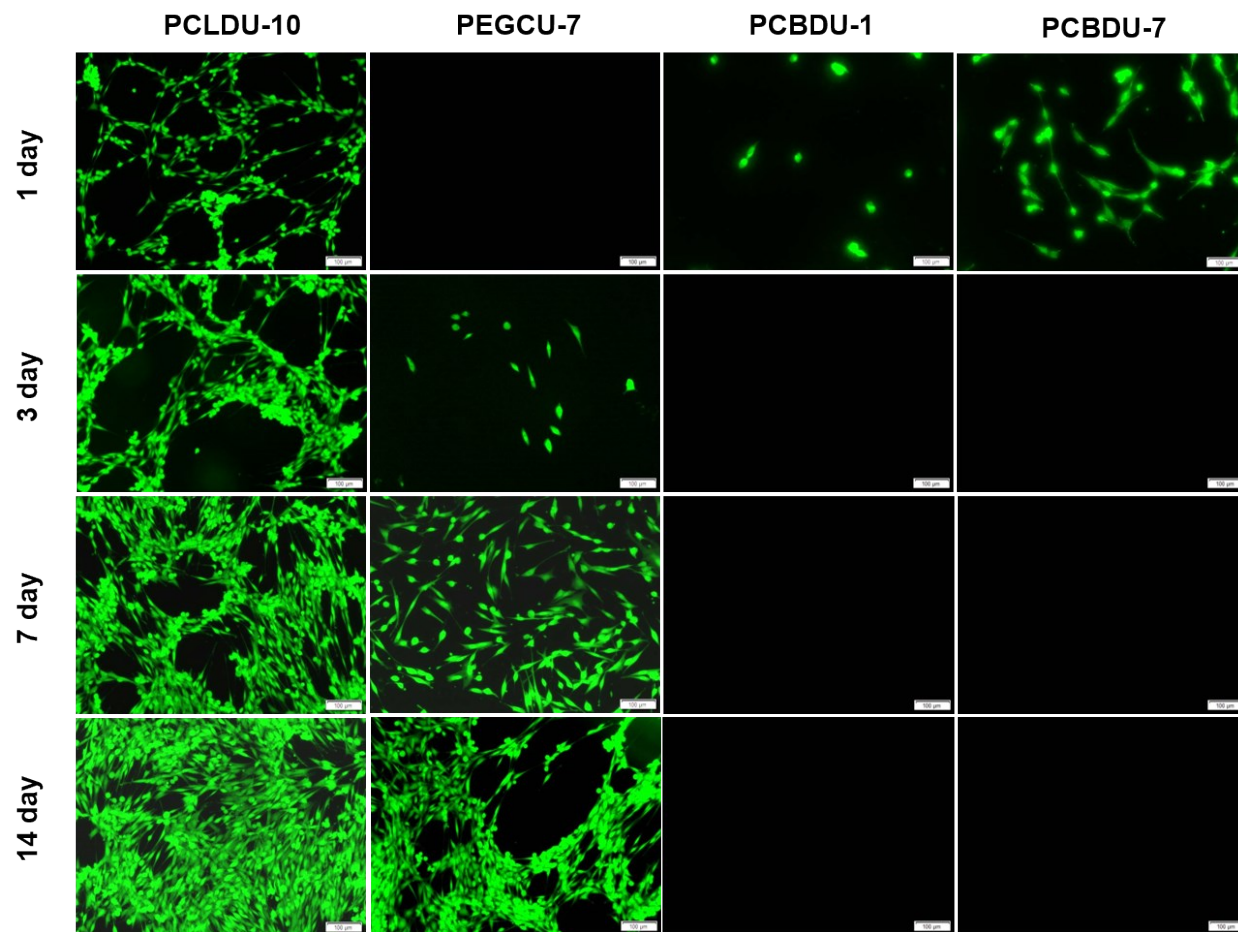


Figure S10. GPC spectrum for PCLDU-10 and PEGCU-7.





**Figure S11.** Images of the attachment of NIH-3T3 fibroblast cells on PCLDU-10, PEGCU-7, PCBDU-1 and PCBDU-7(after hydrolysis) after 1, 3, 7 and 14 days immersed in 100% FBS. The scale bar is 100  $\mu\text{m}$ .



**Figure S12.** Images of the attachment of NIH-3T3 fibroblast cells on PCLDU-10, PEGCU-7, PCBDU-1 and PCBDU-7 (before hydrolysis) after 1, 3, 7 and 14 days immersed in 100% FBS.

The scale bar is 100  $\mu\text{m}$ .

**Table S2.** Cell densities on PCBUDs (after hydrolysis) and control surfaces with different times

Cell densities ( $\times 10^4$ cells/cm <sup>2</sup> )						
	PCLDU-10	PEGCU-7	PCBDU-1	PCBDU-3	PCBDU-5	PCBDU-7
1 Day	11.9 $\pm$ 1.1	\	0.3 $\pm$ 0.03	0.2 $\pm$ 0.02	3.2 $\pm$ 0.2	1.6 $\pm$ 0.2
3 Days	14.3 $\pm$ 0.5	0.4 $\pm$ 0.1	\	\	\	\
7 Days	21.2 $\pm$ 0.9	5.3 $\pm$ 0.5	\	\	\	\
14 Days	23.5 $\pm$ 0.9	16.6 $\pm$ 0.8	\	\	\	\

immersed in FBS.

**Table S3.** Cell densities on PCBUDs (before hydrolysis) and control surfaces with different times immersed in FBS.

Cell densities ( $\times 10^4$ cells/cm <sup>2</sup> )						
	PCLDU-10	PEGCU-7	PCBDU-1	PCBDU-3	PCBDU-5	PCBDU-7
1 Day	10.6 $\pm$ 0.6	\	\	\	\	\
3 Days	12.6 $\pm$ 0.9	1.6 $\pm$ 0.7	\	\	\	\
7 Days	21.6 $\pm$ 0.2	5.1 $\pm$ 0.4	\	\	\	\
14 Days	29.6 $\pm$ 0.1	21.4 $\pm$ 0.7	\	\	\	\

**Table S4.** Cell densities on PCBUDs (before hydrolysis) and control surfaces with different times

Cell densities ( $\times 10^4$ cells/cm <sup>2</sup> )						
	PCLDU-10	PEGCU-7	PCBDU-1	PCBDU-3	PCBDU-5	PCBDU-7
1 Day	20.5 $\pm$ 1.5	2.9 $\pm$ 0.4	\	\	\	\
3 Days	24.1 $\pm$ 1.2	13.6 $\pm$ 1.1	\	\	\	\
7 Days	25.1 $\pm$ 1.6	36.7 $\pm$ 3.5	\	\	\	\
14 Days	26.4 $\pm$ 1.9	38.9 $\pm$ 2.9	\	\	\	\

immersed in cell solution.