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Carboxymethylpullulans Promoted Cu₂O-Catalyzed Huisgen-Click

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I. General Information

All reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further treatment, unless otherwise indicated. The products were characterized using ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR (Bruker Avance/400) which used CDCl₃ or DMSO-d6 as the solvent and TMS as internal standard. Data is represented as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, dd = double of doublets, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad) and coupling constants (*J*) in Hertz (Hz). The pH values of different amount of CMP in water were measured by a model PHS-3C pH meter (Shanghai Precision & Scientific Instrument Co., Ltd).

II. Procedure for the synthesis of CMP

Pullulan (5 g, 30.86 mmol) in 20 mL water was dispersed in 6 mL isopropyl alcohol. NaOH (1.82 g, 45.75 mmol) in 5 mL water was added to the mixture above at 70 °C and stirred for 15 mins. ClCH₂COONa (3.6 g 30 mmol) was added together with 5 mL of water and 3 mL of isopropyl. The reaction mixture was vigorously stirred at 70 °C for 4 h. Then, the same amount of the addition of NaOH and ClCH₂COONa was repeated. The reaction was continued stirring and heating at 70 °C for another 3 h. The reaction mixture was precipitated with methanol and dialyzed against deionized water. The H⁺ form of CMP was obtained by dialysis against water for 3 day. The purified polymer was obtained by lyophilization.



Figure 1. ¹H NMR of pullulan and CMP



Figure 2. IR of pullulan and CMP

III. General procedure for the synthesis of triazoles and the recyclability of CMP

Alkyne (1mmol), azide (1mmol), CMP (5 mol%) and Cu₂O (0.5 mol%) were dissolved (suspended) in deionized water (2 mL) and the reaction temperature was elevated to 60 °C. After the completion of the reaction, the resulting solution was extracted by EtOAc. The organic phase was dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and the solvent was removed in vacuo to give the corresponding triazoles, which were purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc).

Recyclability of the CMP for the model reaction

Propargyl phenyl ether (10.0 mmol), azide benzyl (10.0 mmol), CMP (5 mol%) and Cu_2O (0.5 mol%) were dissolved (suspended) in deionized water (20 mL) and the reaction temperature was elevated to 60 °C. After the completion of the reaction, the resulting solution was extracted by EtOAc. The organic phase was dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and the solvent was removed in vacuo to give the corresponding triazoles, which were purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc). The water phase was added propargyl phenyl ether (10.0 mmol), azide benzyl (10.0 mmol) and Cu₂O (0.5 mol%) again and the reaction repeated the above procedure for another 5 cycles.

IV. ¹H and ¹³C NMR Data of the Products



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.30-6.94 (m, 5H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 5.14(s, 2H), 4.23 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 166.3 (C-3), 158.2 (C-8), 144.6 (C-6), 129.6 (C-10), 124.3 (C-5), 121.3 (C-11), 114.8 (C-9), 62.4 (C-2), 61.8 (C-7), 50.9 (C-4), 14.0 (C-1).

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ: 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.32 (s, 2H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.27 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 166.1 (C-3), 163.1 (C-8), 143.2 (C-6), 141.9 (C-11), 125.9 (C-10), 124.5 (C-5), 114.9 (C-9), 62.6 (C-2), 62.4 (C-7), 51.0 (C-4), 14.1 (C-1).

$$3c: \begin{array}{c} 0 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & N=N & 9 & 10 \\ 3c: & 0 & N=N & 9 & 9 \\ \end{array}$$

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 4.24 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 166.2 (C-3), 156.8 (C-8), 144.2 (C-6), 129.4 (C-10), 126.2 (C-11), 124.2 (C-5), 116.2 (C-9), 62.5 (C-2), 62.2 (C-7), 50.9 (C-)4, 14.0 (C-1).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.19 (s, 2H), 4.28 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 166.3 (C-3), 148.3 (C-6), 138.2 (C-10), 129.5 (C-9), 127.5 (C-7), 125.7 (C-8), 120.6 (C-5), 62.5 (C-2), 51.0 (C-4), 21.3 (C-11), 14.1 (C-1).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.26 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.67 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.31-1.23 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 166.4 (C-3), 148.3 (C-6), 144.5 (C-10), 128.3 (C-9), 127.8 (C-7), 125.8 (C-8), 120.7 (C-5), 62.4 (C-2), 50.9 (C-4), 28.7 (C-11), 15.5 (C-1), 14.1 (C-12).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ: 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.38-7.26 (m, 7H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 3H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 5.19 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 158.2 (C-9), 144.7 (C-7), 134.5 (C-4), 129.5 (C-11), 129.2 (C-3), 128.8 (C-1), 128.1 (C-2), 122.6 (C-6), 121.3 (C-12), 114.8 (C-10), 62.1 (C-8), 54.3 (C-5).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.13 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.02 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 5.24 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 163.2 (C-9), 143.1 (C-7), 141.8 (C-12), 134.3 (C-4), 129.2 (C-3), 128.9 (C-1), 128.2 (C-2), 125.9 (C-11), 123.2 (C-6), 114.9 (C-10), 62.4 (C-8), 54.3 (C-5).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.39-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 156.8 (C-9), 144.1 (C-7), 134.5 (C-4), 129.4 (C-11), 129.2 (C-3), 128.9 (C-1), 128.1 (C-2), 126.1 (C-12), 122.8 (C-6), 116.2 (C-10), 62.3 (C-8), 54.2 (C-5).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.69 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.38-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 148.3 (C-8), 138.0 (C-4), 134.8 (C-11), 129.5 (C-3), 129.2 (C-1), 128.8 (C-10), 128.1 (C-2), 127.7 (C-8), 125.6 (C-9), 119.2 (C-6), 54.2 (C-5), 21.3 (C-12).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 7.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.38-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 2H), 2.66 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 148.3 (C-7), 144.4 (C-11), 134.8 (C-4), 129.1 (C-3), 128.7 (C-1), 128.3 (C-10), 128.0 (C-2, 8), 125.7 (C-9), 119.3 (C-6), 54.2 (C-5), 28.7 (C-12), 15.5 (C-13).



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¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.65 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ : 148.7 (C-1), 148.0 (C-7), 141.9 (C-4), 138.4 (C-11), 129.6 (C-3), 128.6 (C-10), 127.3 (C-8), 125.6 (C-9), 124.3 (C-2), 119.6 (C-6), 53.1 (C-5), 21.3 (C-12).



3l :

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.20 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.65 (s, 2H), 5.17 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 156.7 (C-9), 148.1 (C-1), 144.8 (C-7), 141.5 (C-4), 129.5 (C-11), 128.6 (C-3), 126.3 (C-12), 124.3 (C-2), 123.0 (C-6), 116.1 (C-10), 62.2 (C-8), 53.2 (C-5).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.72 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.25 (dd, J = 6.8 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (dd, J = 6.8 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 5.26 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ :156.8 (C-8), 144.6 (C-6), 136.9 (C-4), 129.8 (C-10), 129.5 (C-1), 129.0 (C-2), 126.3 (C-11), 121.0 (C-5), 120.6 (C-3), 116.1 (C-9), 62.2 (C-7).



3n:

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ: 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 4H), 7.57-7.26 (m, 5H), 2.40 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 148.5 (C-6), 138.3 (C-4), 137.1 (C-10), 129.8 (C-1), 129.6 (C-2), 128.7 (C-9), 127.4 (C-7), 125.8 (C-8), 120.5 (C-5), 117.3 (C-3), 21.3 (C-11).



¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 400 MHz) δ : 9.44 (s, 1H), 8.73 (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.19 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 100 MHz) δ : 149.0 (C-8), 148.2 (C-1), 144.6 (C-12), 137.7 (C-5), 132.0 (C-3), 128.8 (C-11), 127.8 (C-9), 126.2 (C-4), 125.8 (C-7), 123.4 (C-10), 119.9 (C-2), 114.8 (C-6), 28.4 (C-13), 15.9 (C-14).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.45 (m,

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3H), 7.32 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 3H), 5.31 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 158.2 (C-8), 145.1 (C-6), 137.0 (C-4), 129.8 (C-10), 129.6 (C-1), 128.9 (C-2), 121.4 (C-5), 120.9 (C-11), 120.6 (C-3), 114.8 (C-9), 62.0 (C-7).



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.21 (tt, J = 9.2 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, J = 7.2 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 5.39 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 163.1 (C-8), 143.5 (C-6), 141.9 (C-11), 136.8 (C-4), 129.9 (C-1), 129.1 (C-2), 126.0 (C-10), 121.4 (C-5), 120.6 (C-3), 114.9 (C-9), 62.4 (C-7).



3r:

3s:

¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) δ : 8.85 (s, 1H), 8.37 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 8.26 (d, J =8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.46 (s, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 100 MHz) δ: 163.6 (C-11), 146.5 (C-1), 142.7 (C-4), 141.8 (C-9), 141.5 (C-14), 136.8 (C-5), 133.3 (C-3), 127.3 (C-8), 126.3 (C-2), 124.8 (C-13), 121.5 (C-6), 115.8 (C-12), 62.2 (C-10), 18.4 (C-7).

$$O_2 N \stackrel{3}{\underset{6}{1}} \stackrel{4}{\underset{6}{1}} \stackrel{7}{\underset{N=N}{1}} \stackrel{12}{\underset{10}{11}} \stackrel{14}{\underset{11}{12}}$$

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ : 8.30-8.27 (m, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ: 148.2 (C-9), 146.4 (C-1), 141.6 (C-4), 138.6 (C-5), 136.8 (C-13), 132.6 (C-3), 129.6 (C-12), 126.9 (C-10), 125.7 (C-8), 124.2 (C-11), 121.1 (C-2), 120.7 (C-6), 21.3 (C-14), 18.6 (C-7).



¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 400 MHz) δ : 9.07 (s, 1H), 8.42-8.35 (m, 2H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.68-1.58 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 100 MHz) δ : 147.3 (C-9), 146.5 (C-1), 142.7 (C-4), 141.6 (C-13), 136.9 (C-5), 133.3 (C-3), 129.3 (C-10), 128.0 (C-12), 125.8 (C-8), 124.5 (C-2), 123.2 (C-6), 121.2 (C-11), 37.4 (C-14), 24.4 (C-15), 18.6 (C-7), 14.0 (C-16).

V. ¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectra of the Products

3a:



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3b:





3c:



3d:



3e:

S14





3f:



20 200 180 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20 0 -10 ppm



3h:



3i:









3k:





3I:





3m:



3n:





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3p:





3r:



3s:



3t: