

Supplementary Materials: Synthesis and Complexation of Well-Defined Labeled Poly(*N,N*-dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate)s (PDMAEMA)

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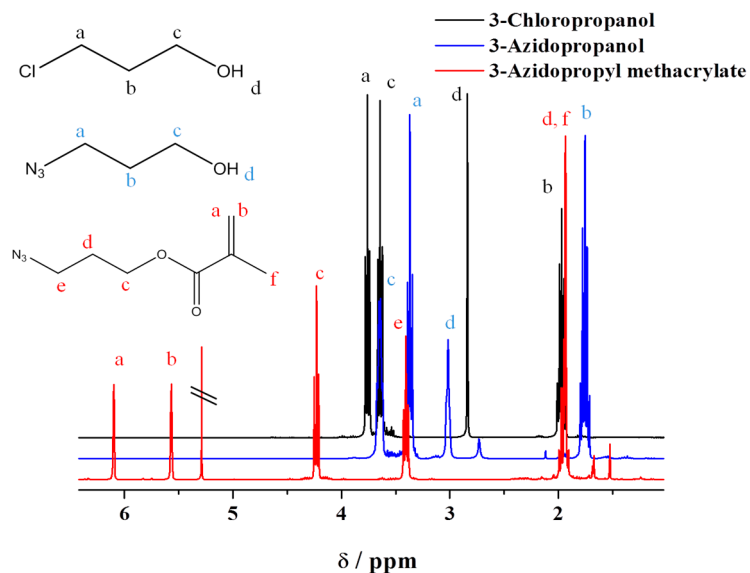


Figure S1. Comparison of ^1H -NMR spectra for 3-chloropropanol (black curve), 3-azidopropanol (blue curve), and 3-azidopropyl methacrylate (red curve) in CDCl_3 .

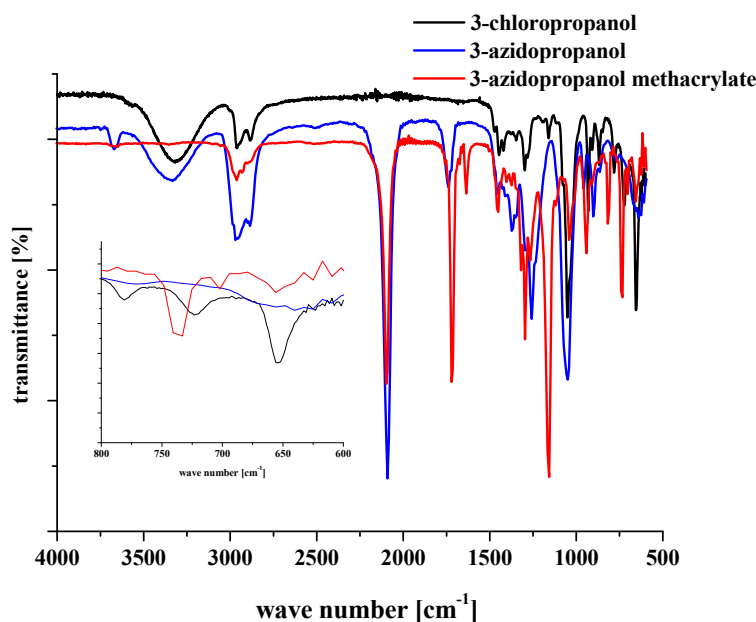
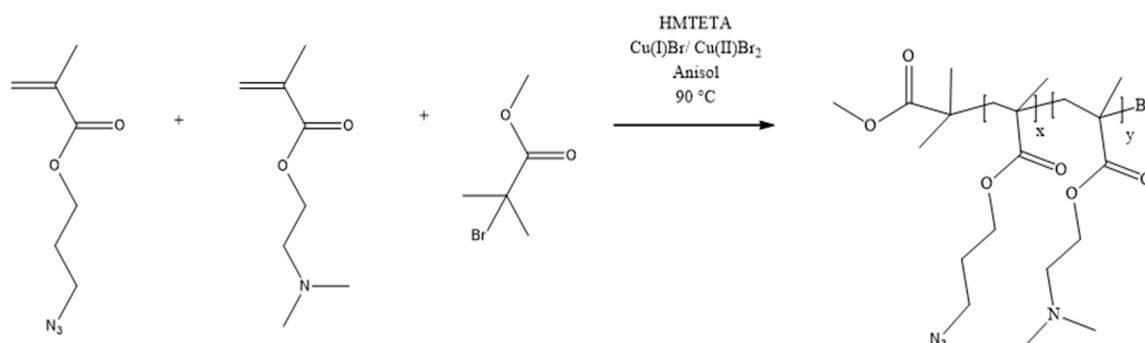


Figure S2. Comparison of FT-IR spectra of 3-chloropropanol (black line), 3-azidopropanol (blue line) and 3-azidopropyl methacrylate (red line).

Figure S2 depicts the FT-IR spectra of the intermediate stages of the monomer synthesis. The inset enlarges the finger print region, in which the disappearance of the chloride can be seen around 655 cm^{-1} .

Copolymerization of 3-Azidopropyl Methacrylate and *N,N*-Dimethylaminoethyl Methacrylate by ATRP



Scheme S1. Copolymerization of AzPMA and DMAEMA *via* ATRP obtaining P(AzPMA_x-co-DMAEMA_y).

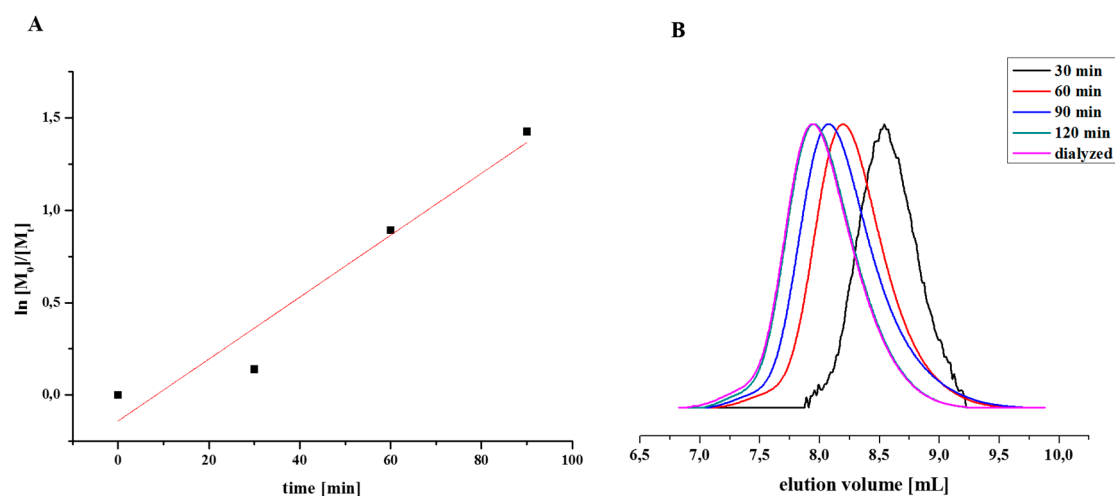


Figure S3. (A) Time-conversion plot for the monomer conversion during the ATRP of P(AzPMA_{0.01}-co-DMAEMA_{0.99}) at 90 °C in anisole; (B) comparison of the SEC [(CHCl₃/TEA/*i*-PrOH. (94/2/4)): PMMA-calibration] traces obtained in the kinetic investigation of the ATRP of P(AzPMA_{0.01}-co-DMAEMA_{0.99}).

Table S1. Time dependent monomer conversion and molar masses of the obtained copolymers.

Time (Min)	Monomer Conversion ^a (%)	M_n ^b (g mol ⁻¹)	$\bar{D}$ ^b	M Theoretical Calculated from NMR ^c
30	13	-	-	4700
60	59	9000	1.08	18,200
90	76	11,500	1.12	23,900
120	66	12,700	1.16	20,000

^a Determined *via* NMR; ^b Determined from SEC [(CHCl₃/TEA/*i*-PrOH. (94/2/4)): PMMA-calibration];

^c Determined from NMR and the initial feed ratio $[M]/[I]$.

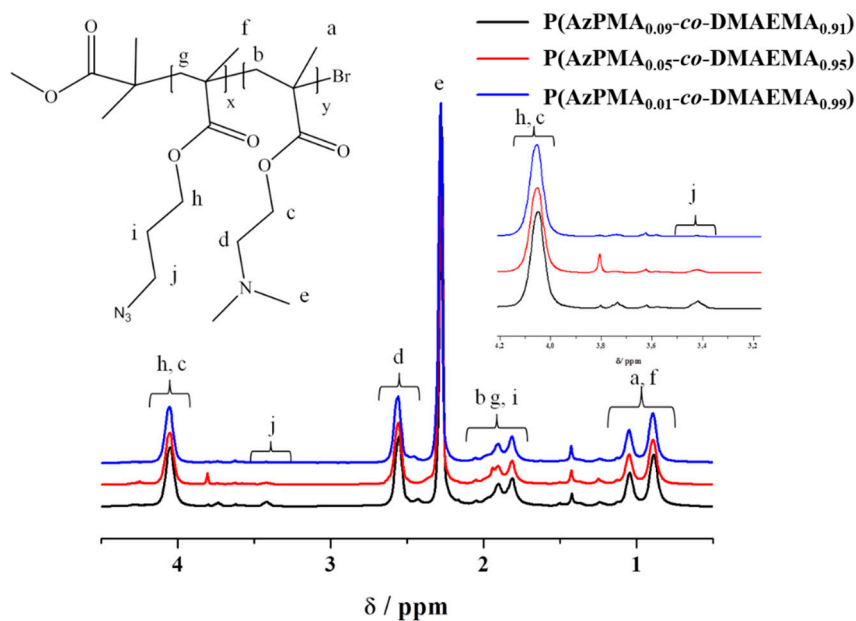


Figure S4. Comparison of ^1H -NMR for $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_x\text{-co-DMAEMA}_y)$ copolymers with different composition: $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_{0.09}\text{-co-DMAEMA}_{0.91})$ (black curve), $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_{0.05}\text{-co-DMAEMA}_{0.95})$ (red curve), and $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_{0.01}\text{-co-DMAEMA}_{0.99})$ (blue curve) in CDCl_3 .

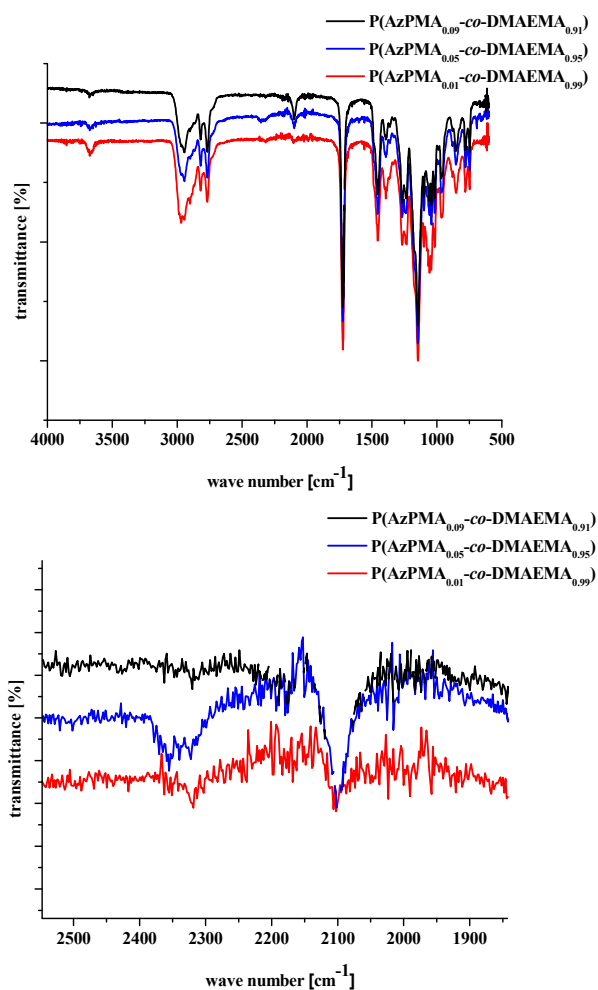


Figure S5. Comparison of the FT-IR spectra for $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_x\text{-co-DMAEMA}_y)$ with different compositions: $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_{0.09}\text{-co-DMAEMA}_{0.91})$ (black curve), $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_{0.05}\text{-co-DMAEMA}_{0.95})$ (blue curve), and $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}_{0.01}\text{-co-DMAEMA}_{0.99})$ (red curve).

Dye Labeled P(AzPMA^{*}_x-co-DMAEMA_y) via Click-Chemistry

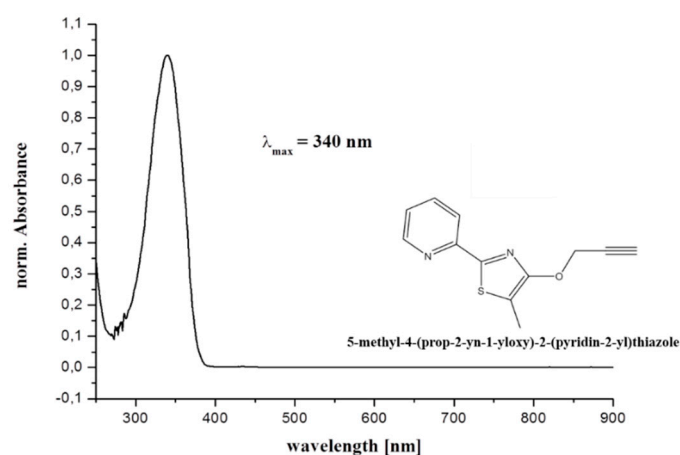


Figure S6. UV/VIS spectrum of 5-methyl-4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)thiazole (MPPT) in THF.

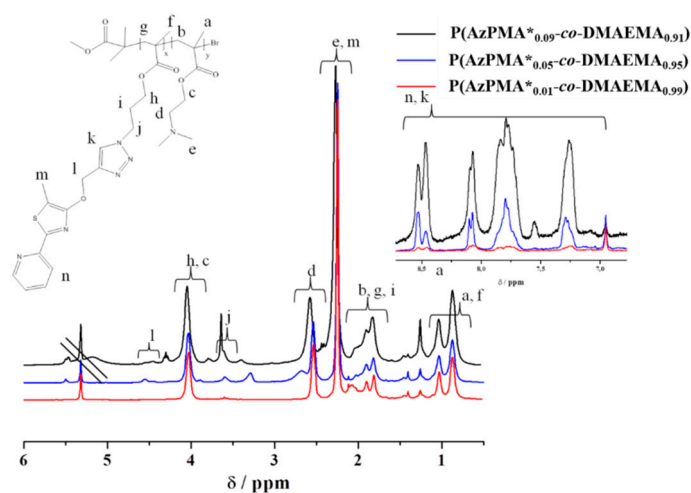


Figure S7. Comparison of ¹H-NMR for P(AzPMA^{*}_x-co-DMAEMA_y) with different compositions: P(AzPMA^{*}_{0.09}-co-DMAEMA_{0.91}) (black curve), P(AzPMA^{*}_{0.05}-co-DMAEMA_{0.95}) (blue curve), and P(AzPMA^{*}_{0.01}-co-DMAEMA_{0.99}) (red curve) in CDCl₃.

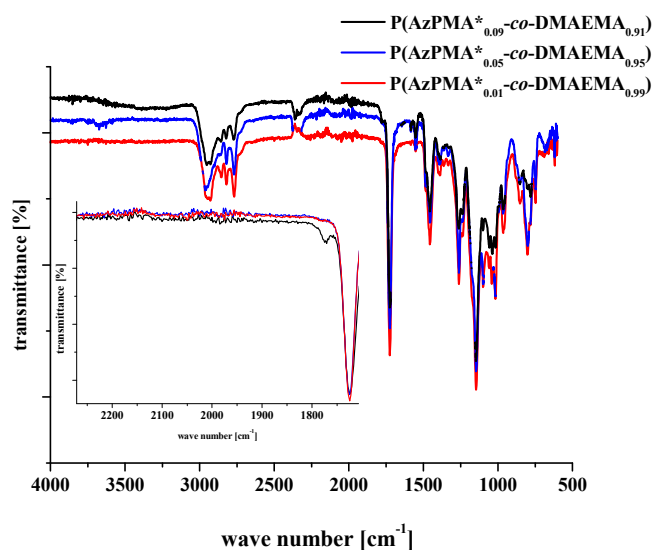


Figure S8. Comparison of the FT-IR spectra for P(AzPMA^{*}_x-co-DMAEMA_y) with different compositions: P(AzPMA^{*}_{0.09}-co-DMAEMA_{0.91}) (black curve), P(AzPMA^{*}_{0.01}-co-DMAEMA_{0.99}) (red curve), and P(AzPMA^{*}_{0.05}-co-DMAEMA_{0.95}) (blue curve).

Full conversion of the azide function was confirmed by FT-IR measurements due to the absence of the azide signal at 2100 cm^{-1} .

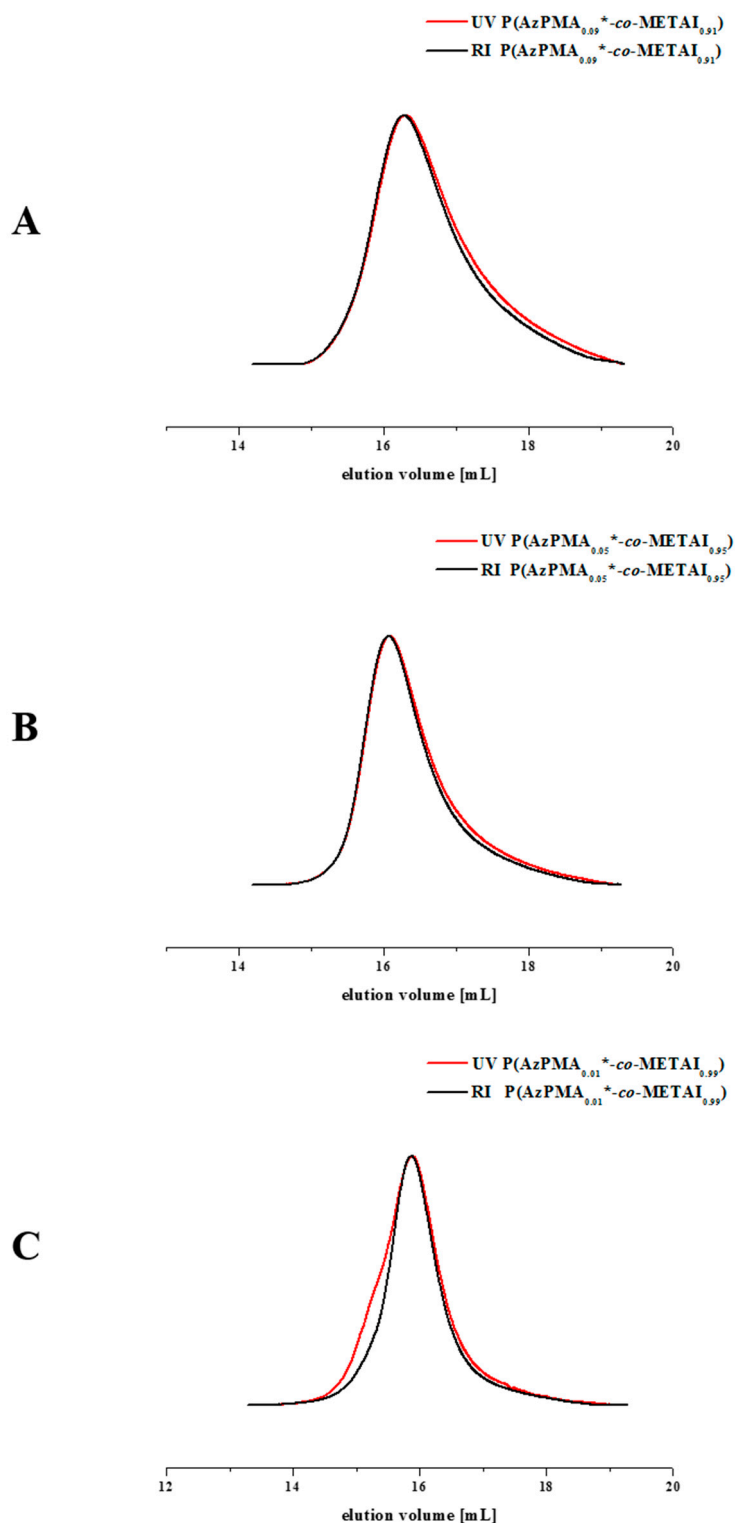


Figure S9. Comparison of SEC traces for $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_x\text{-co-METAIA}_y)$ with different ratios of AzPMA; (A) $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.09}\text{-co-METAIA}_{0.91})$; (B) $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.05}\text{-co-METAIA}_{0.95})$; (C) $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.01}\text{-co-METAIA}_{0.99})$ investigated by the RI (black trace) and UV/VIS detector (red trace), Eluent: Water with 0.1% TFA and 0.1 M NaCl, detector wavelength: 360 nm.

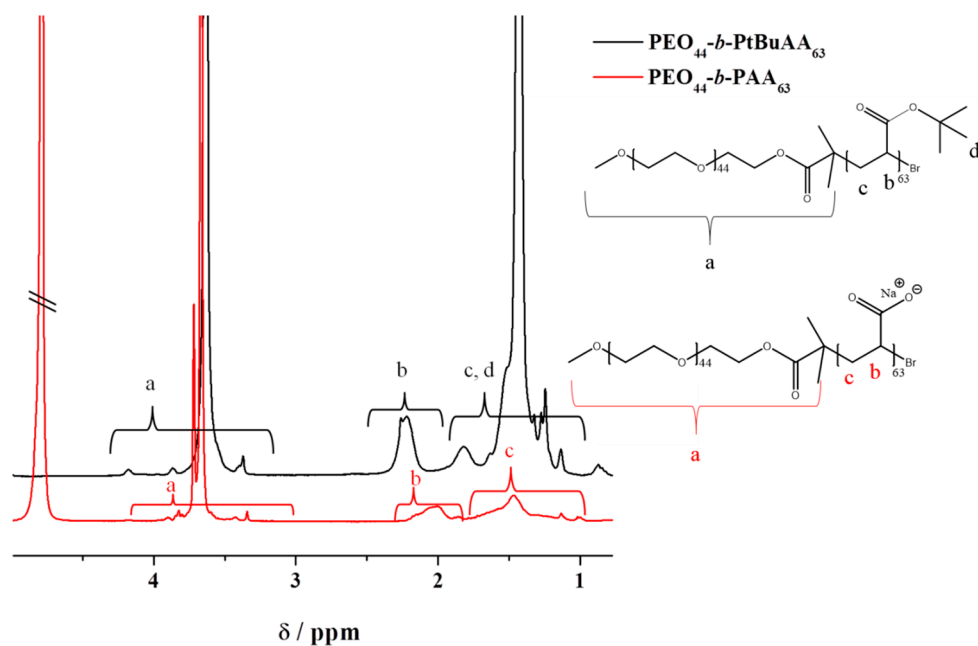


Figure S10. Comparison of ^1H -NMR spectra for $\text{PEO}_{118}\text{-}b\text{-PtBuAA}_{63}$ in CDCl_3 and $\text{PEO}_{118}\text{-}b\text{-PAA}_{63}$ in D_2O .

Quaternization of $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_x\text{-co-DMAEMA}_y)$

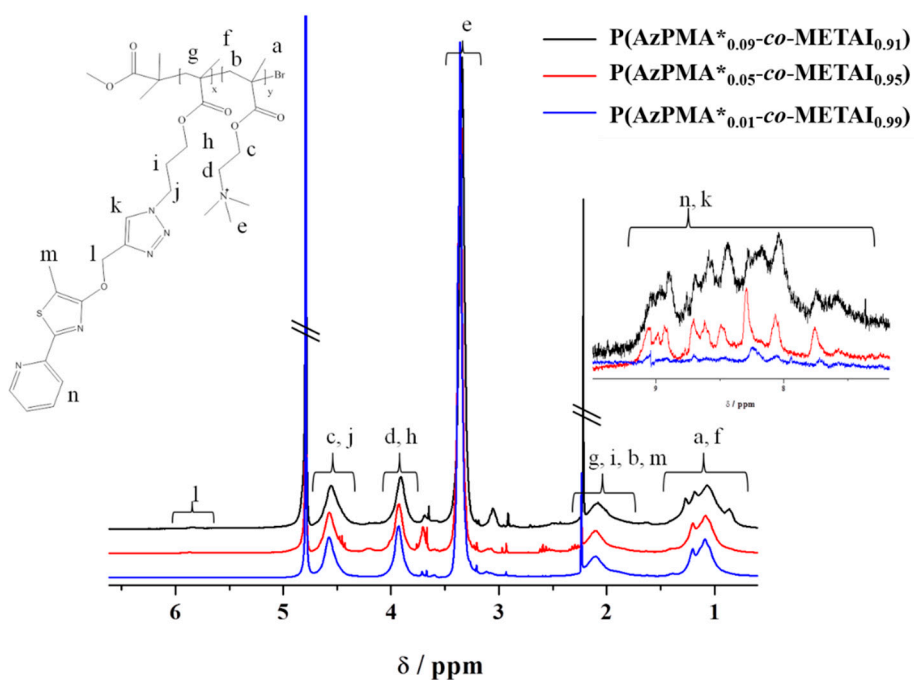


Figure S11. Comparison of ^1H -NMR spectra for $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_x\text{-co-META})_y$ with different contents of AzPMA; $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.09}\text{-co-META})_{0.91}$ (black line), $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.05}\text{-co-META})_{0.95}$ (red line), $\text{P}(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.01}\text{-co-META})_{0.99}$ (blue line) in D_2O ; the inset shows the aromatic signals of 5-methyl-4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)thiazole (MPPT).

UV/VIS Investigations of $P(\text{AzPMA}_x\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_y)$, $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_x\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_y)$ and $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_x\text{-}co\text{-META}_y\text{I})$

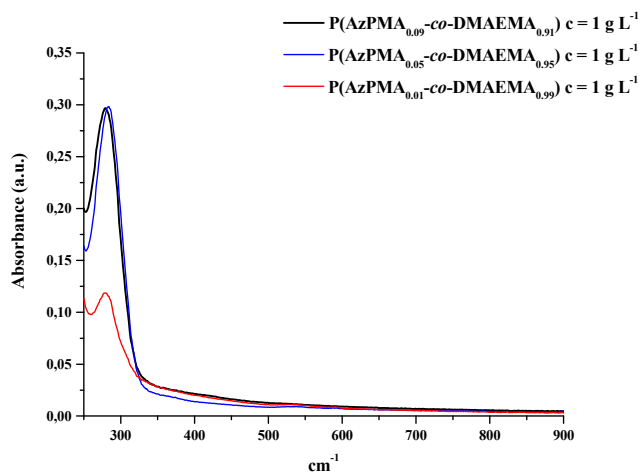


Figure S12. UV/VIS data of $P(\text{AzPMA}_{0.09}\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_{0.91})$ (black curve), $P(\text{AzPMA}_{0.05}\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_{0.95})$ (blue curve) and $P(\text{AzPMA}_{0.01}\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_{0.99})$ (red curve) in water.

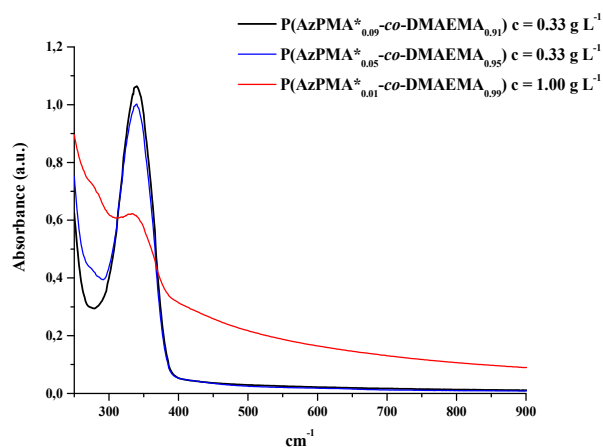


Figure S13. UV/VIS data of $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.09}\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_{0.91})$ (black curve), $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.05}\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_{0.95})$ (blue curve) and $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.01}\text{-}co\text{-DMAEMA}_{0.99})$ (red curve) in water.

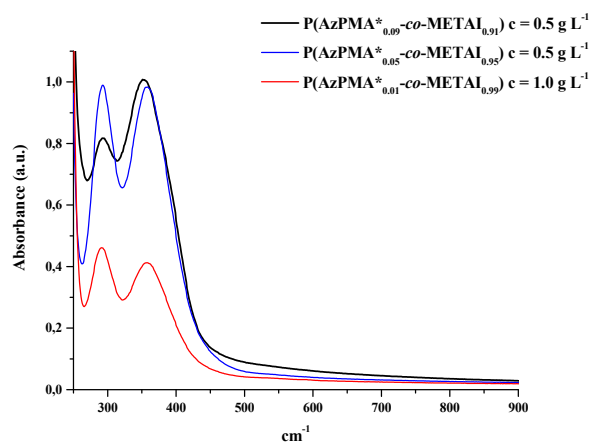


Figure S14. UV/VIS data of $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.09}\text{-}co\text{-META}_{0.91}\text{I})$ (black curve), $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.05}\text{-}co\text{-META}_{0.95}\text{I})$ (blue curve) and $P(\text{AzPMA}^*_{0.01}\text{-}co\text{-META}_{0.99}\text{I})$ (red curve) in water.

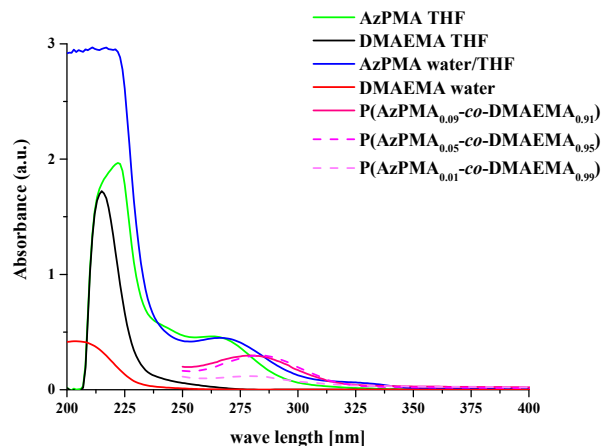


Figure S15. Comparison of UV/VIS spectra of AzPMA, DMAEMA and the resulting copolymers in water and THF.

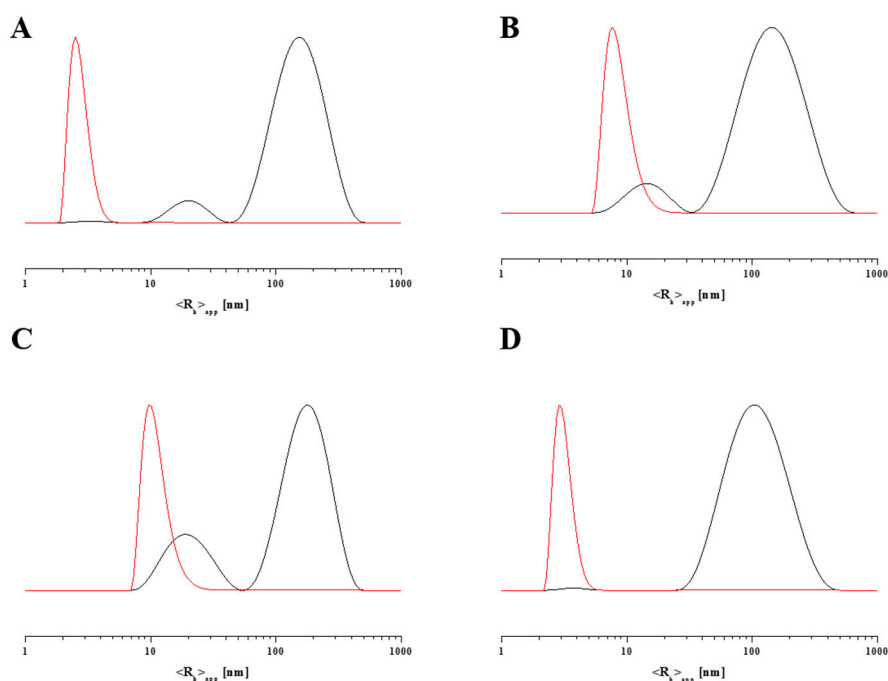


Figure S16. (A) DLS CONTIN plot, IPEC ($Z_{-/+} = 1.5$) $\langle R_h \rangle_{n,app} = 4.8$ nm (red line), $\langle R_h \rangle_{Z,app} = 141$ nm (black line); (B) DLS CONTIN plot, IPEC ($Z_{-/+} = 1.0$) $\langle R_h \rangle_{n,app} = 7.7$ nm (red line), $\langle R_h \rangle_{Z,app} = 109$ nm (black line); (C) DLS CONTIN plot, IPEC ($Z_{-/+} = 0.5$) $\langle R_h \rangle_{n,app} = 10.0$ nm (red line), $\langle R_h \rangle_{Z,app} = 113$ nm (black line); (D) DLS CONTIN plot, IPEC ($Z_{-/+} = 0.25$) $\langle R_h \rangle_{n,app} = 2.6$ nm (red line), $\langle R_h \rangle_{Z,app} = 109$ nm (black line).

Table S2. Zeta-potential measurements of $P(\text{AzPMA}^{*0.05}\text{-co-META}_{0.95})$, $\text{PEO}_{118}\text{-}b\text{-PAA}_{63}$ and formed IPECs ($Z_{-/+} = 1.5, 1.0, 0.5$ and 0.25).

Sample	Voltage (mV)
$P(\text{AzPMA}^{*0.05}\text{-co-META}_{0.95})$	+37
$\text{PEO}_{118}\text{-}b\text{-PAA}_{63}$	-38
$Z_{-/+} = 1.5$	0
$Z_{-/+} = 1.0$	0
$Z_{-/+} = 0.5$	0
$Z_{-/+} = 0.25$	4

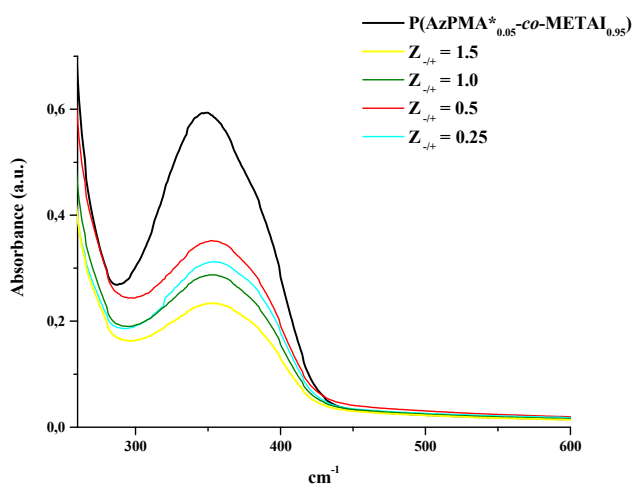


Figure S17. UV/VIS-measurement of P(AzPMA*_{0.05}-co-DMAEMA_{0.95}), PDMAEMA, $Z_{-/+} = 1.5$, $Z_{-/+} = 1.0$, $Z_{-/+} = 0.5$, $Z_{-/+} = 0.25$ in buffer solution at pH 10 (concentration was approximately 1 g L⁻¹).

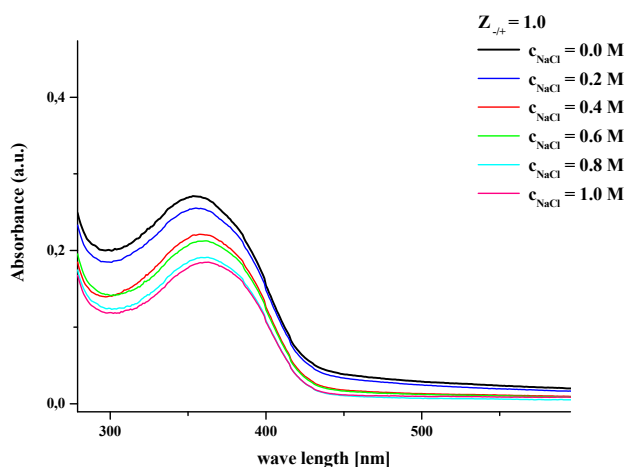


Figure S18. Variation of the ionic strength at IPEC $Z_{-/+} = 1.0$ (1 g L⁻¹) by stepwise addition of NaCl: $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.0$ M (black curve), $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.2$ M (dark blue curve), $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.4$ M (red curve), $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.6$ M (green curve), $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.8$ M (bright blue curve), $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 1.0$ M (magenta curve).

Table S3. DLS data for micellar IPECs ($Z_{-/+} = 1.0$) in buffer solution (pH 10, 1 g L⁻¹) at different ionic strength.

Conc. NaCl (M)	λ_{max} (nm)	Int.	$\langle R_h \rangle_{n,\text{app}}$ (nm)
0.0	353	0.27	8
0.2	355	0.25	3
0.4	357	0.22	2
0.6	361	0.21	2
0.8	363	0.19	2
1.0	363	0.18	2

