

Supplementary Information

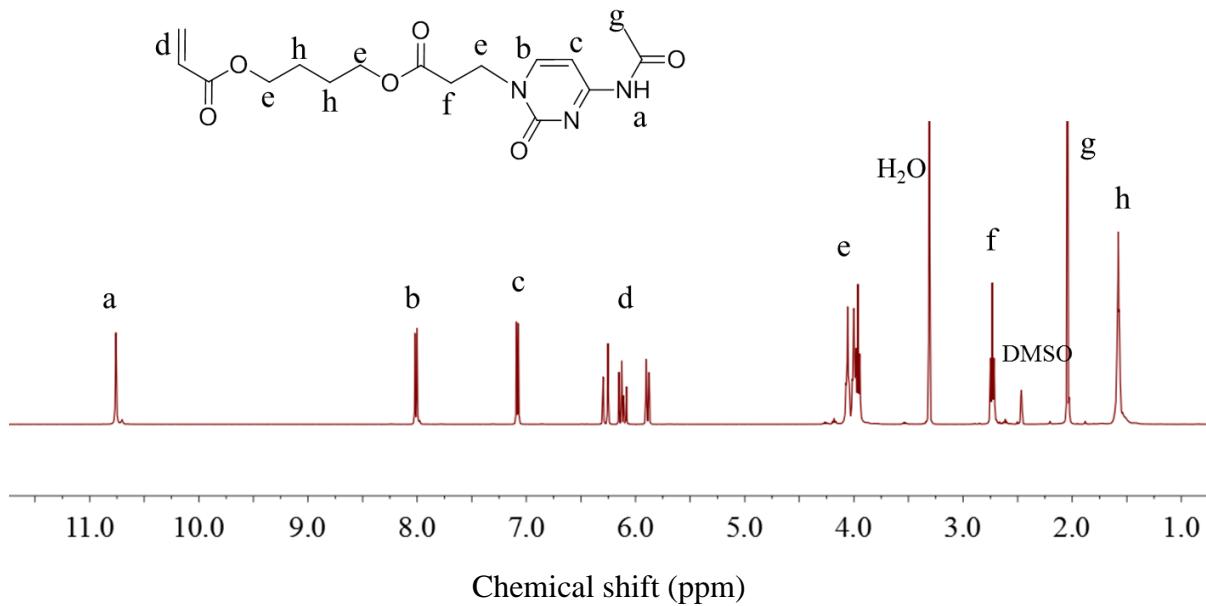
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Acetyl-Protected Cytosine- and Guanine-Containing Acrylics for Supramolecular Adhesives

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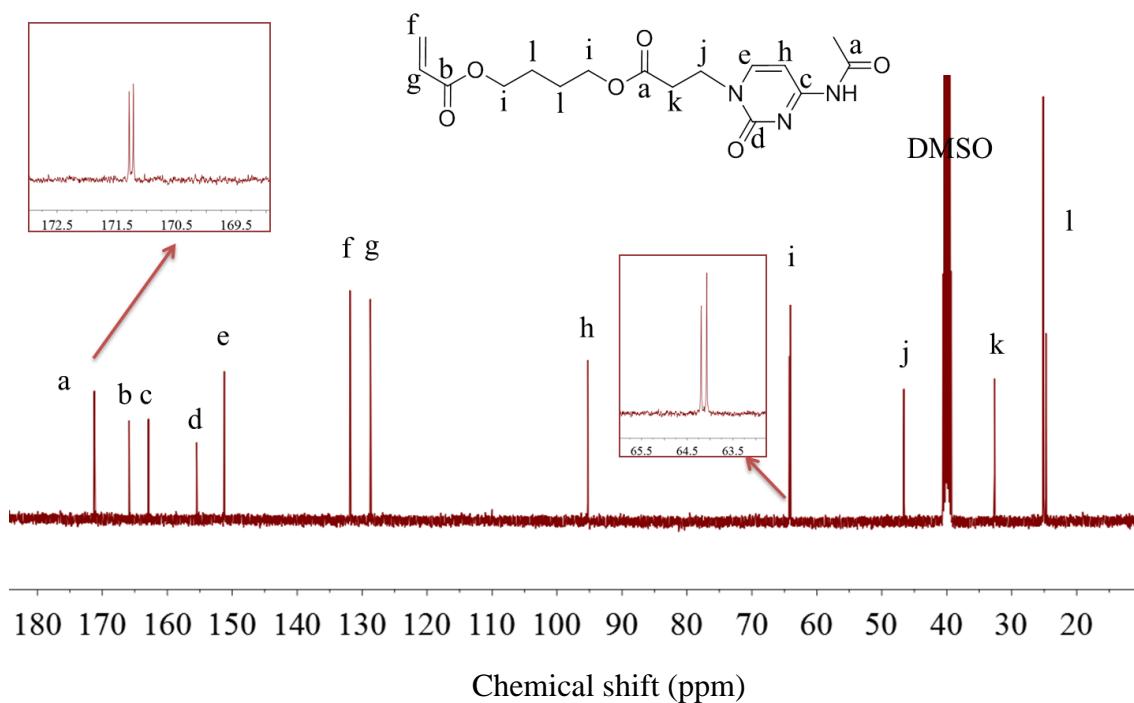


Figure S1. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of *N*²-acetylcytosine acrylate (ACyA).

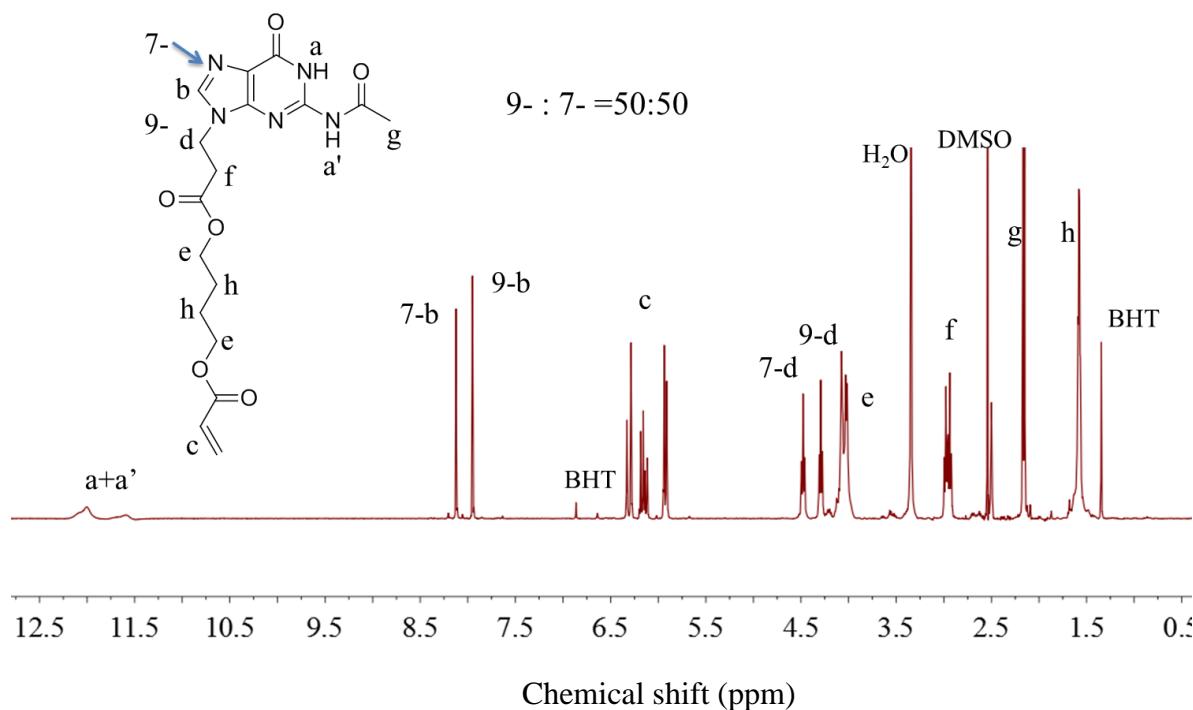


Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectrum of the 9- and 7-isomer mixture of *N*⁴-acetylguanine acrylate (AGuA).

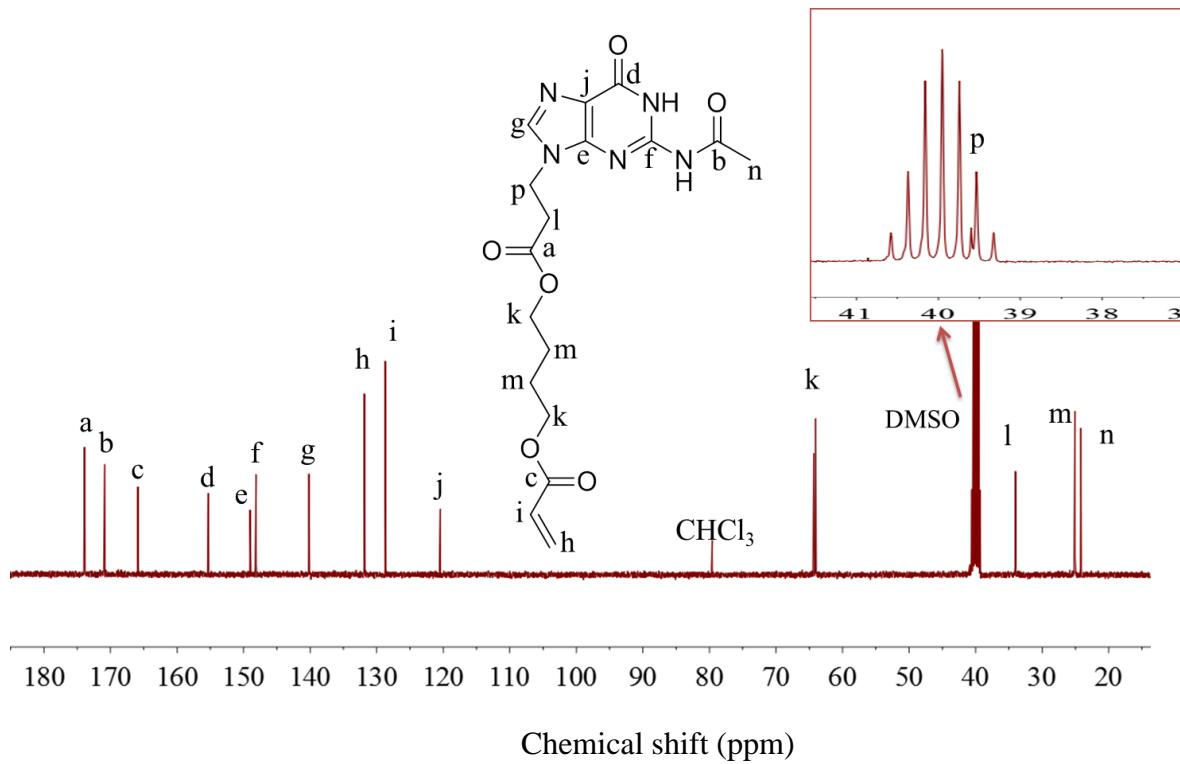
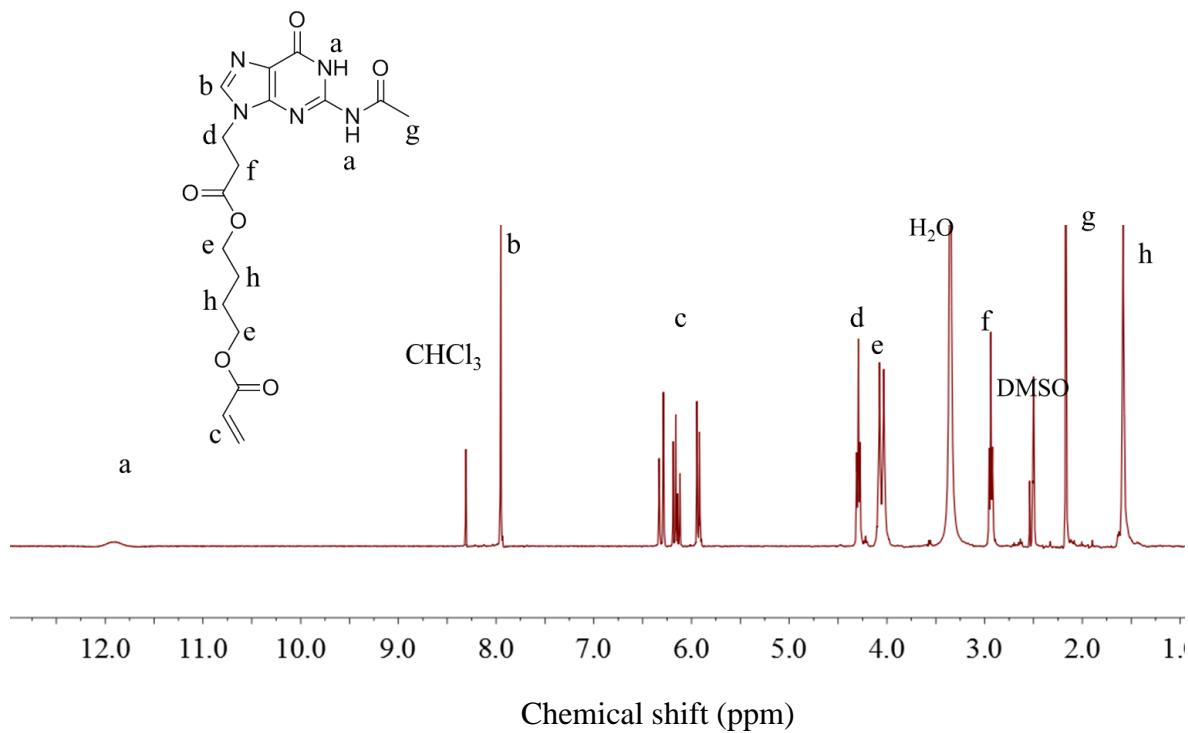


Figure S3. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of 9-isomer of *N*4-acetylguanine acrylate (AGuA).

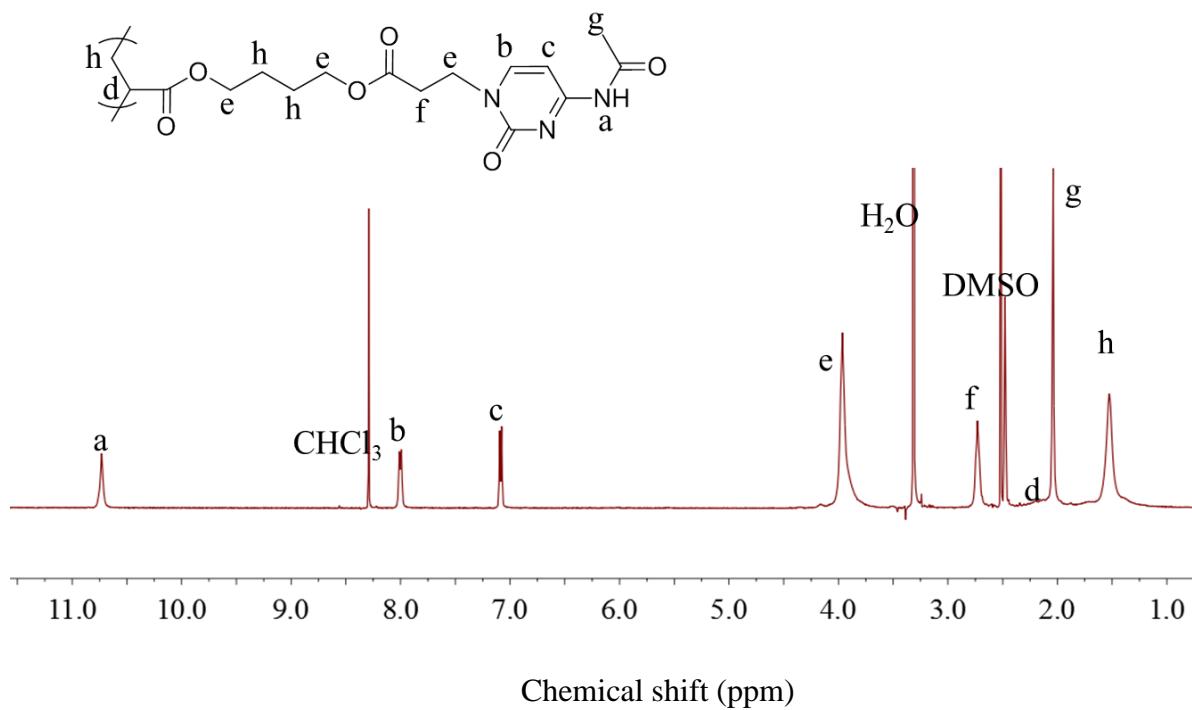


Figure S4. ^1H NMR spectrum of poly (ACyA).

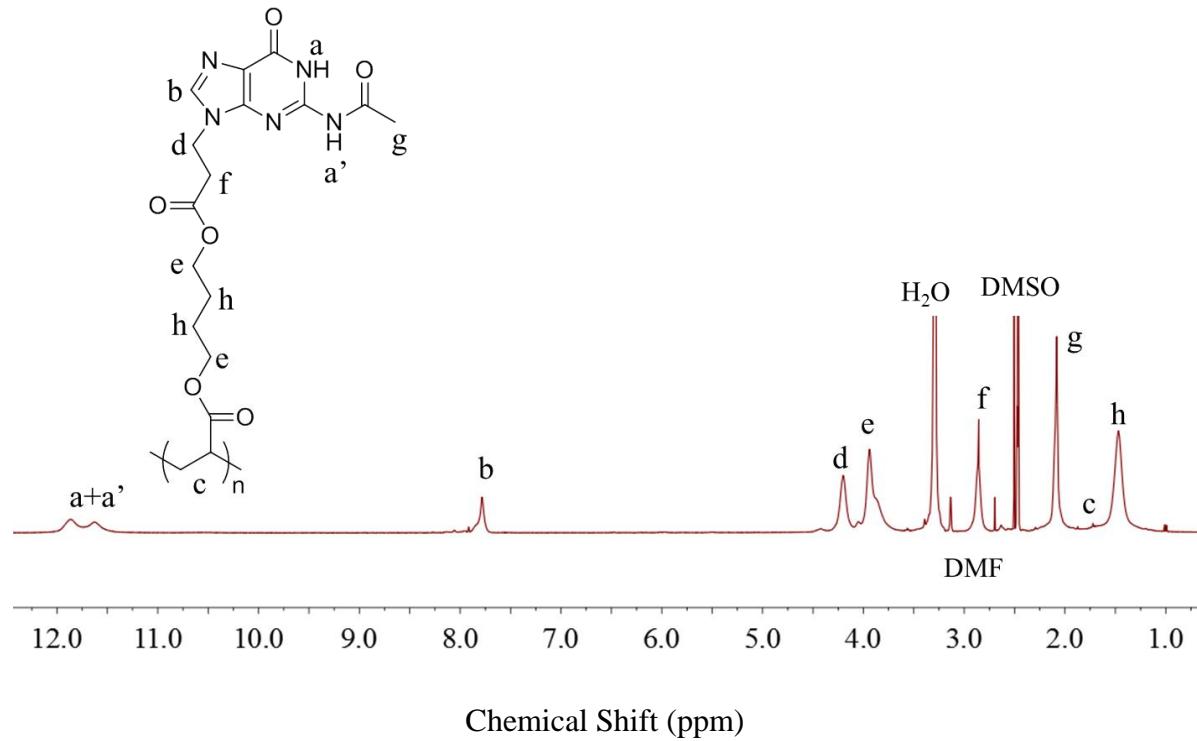


Figure S5. ^1H NMR spectrum of poly (AGuA).

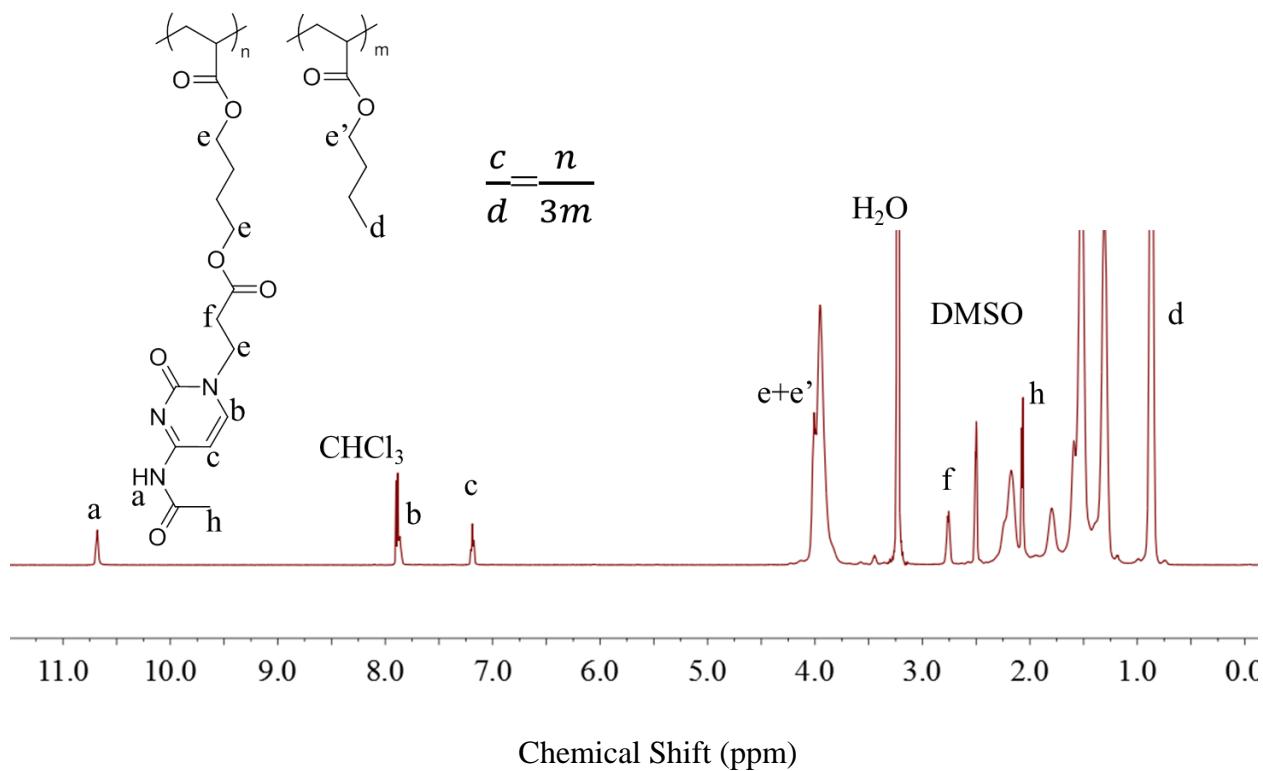
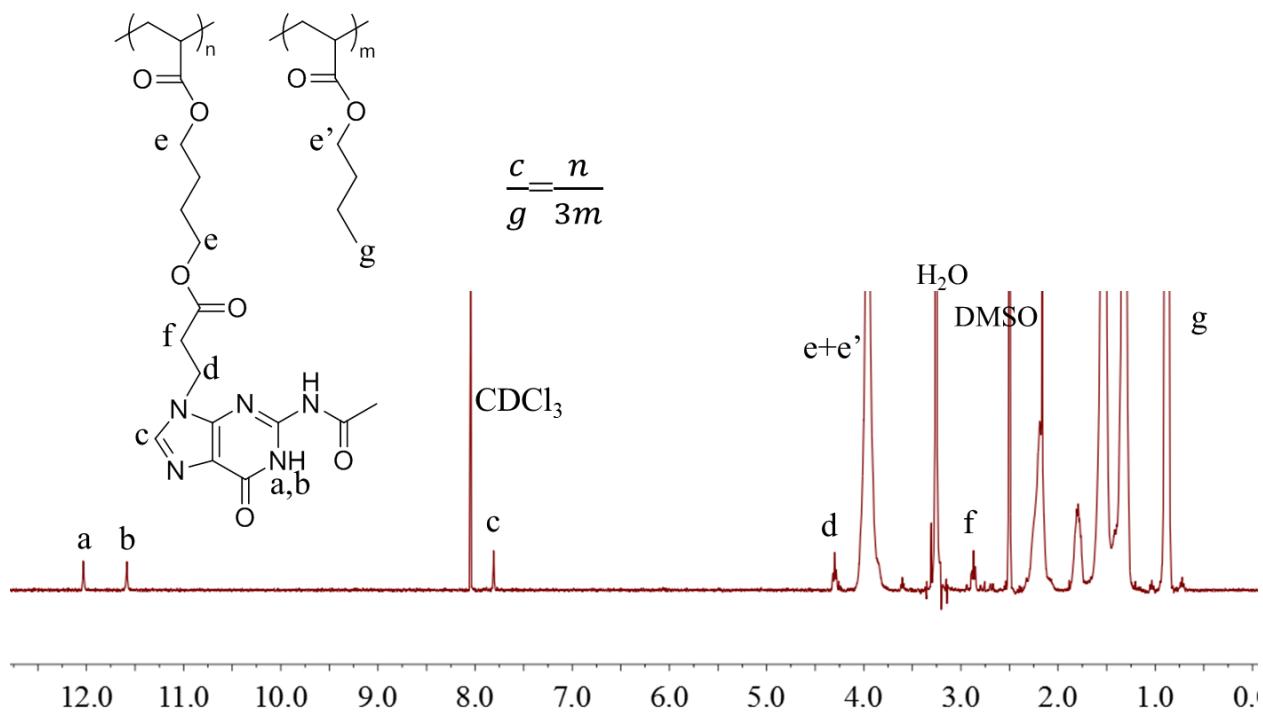


Figure S6. ^1H NMR spectrum of poly(ACyA-*co*-nBA) in a mixture of CDCl_3 and DMSO-d_6 .



Chemical Shift (ppm)

Figure S7. ^1H NMR spectrum of poly(AGuA-*co*-*n*BA) in a mixture of CDCl_3 and DMSO-d_6 .

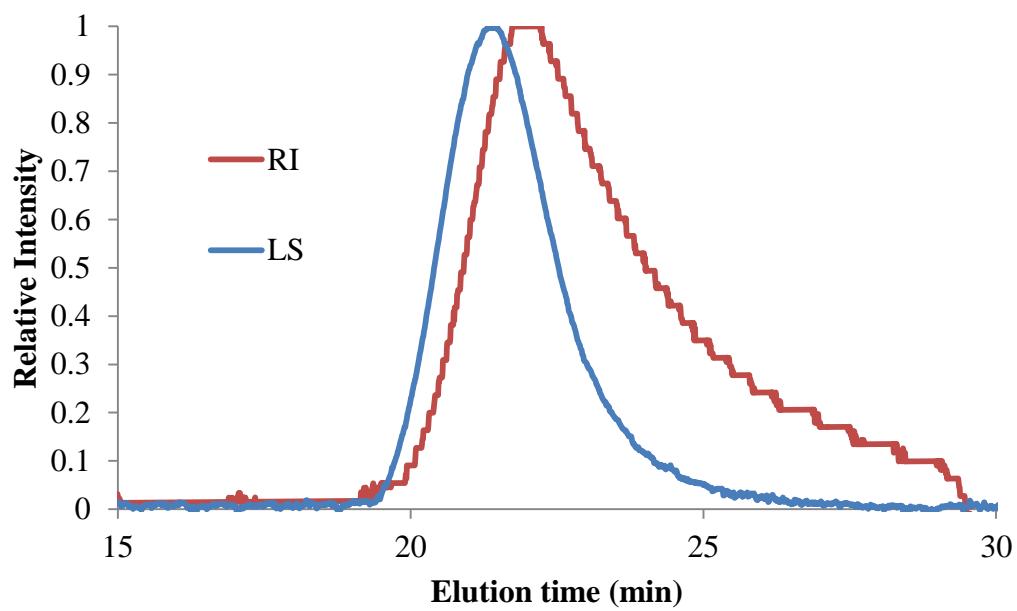
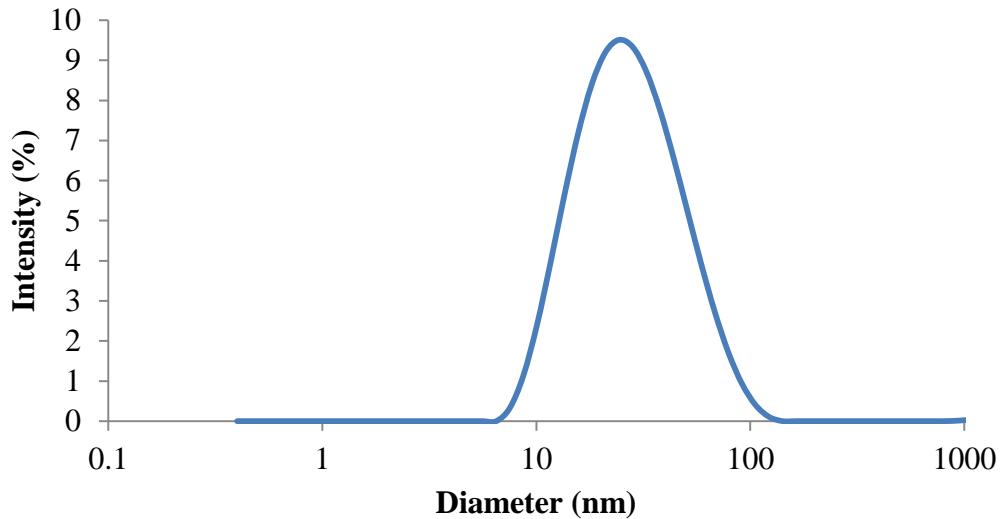


Figure S8. Representative DLS and SEC traces of poly(ACyA-*co*-*n*BA) in DMF 0.05 M LiBr at 50 °C.

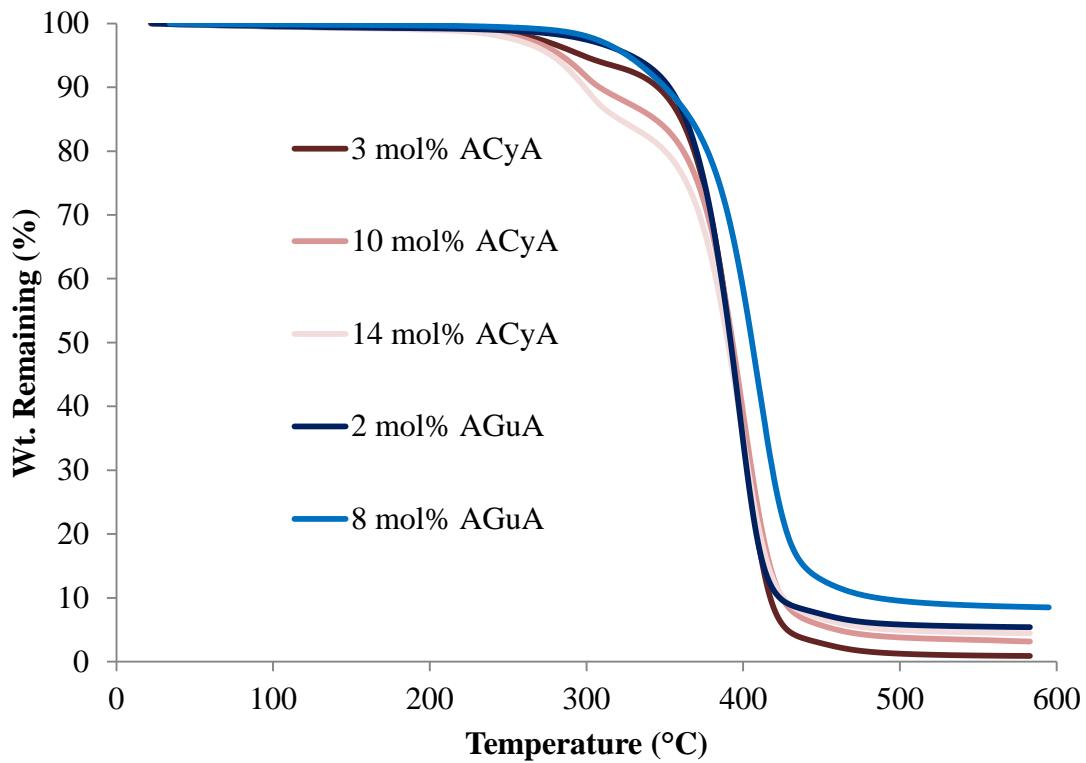


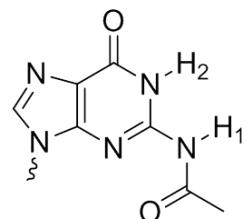
Figure S9. Representative TGA thermograms of poly(ACyA-*co*-nBA) and poly(AGuA-*co*-nBA) under nitrogen purge.

$$[H]_0 = \frac{\frac{1}{K} - [G]_0 \left(\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_c} - 1 \right)}{\frac{\delta_c}{\delta_i} - 1}$$

$\Delta\delta 1$ K=265 M⁻¹, δ_c =1.18 ppm

[G]₀= 0.002 M

Host ACyA
Guest AGuA



$\Delta\delta 2$ K=252 M⁻¹, δ_c =2.69 ppm

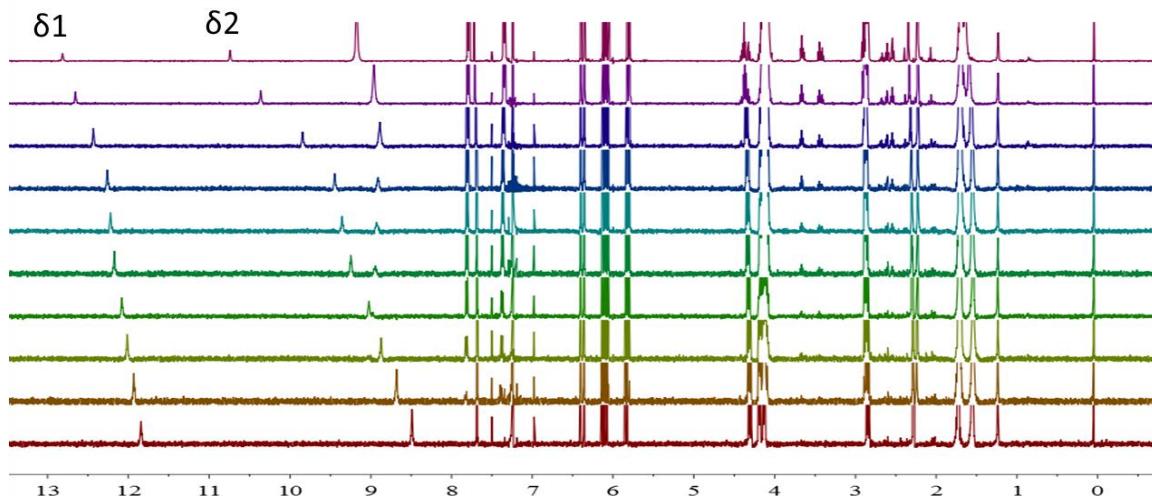


Figure S10. ¹H NMR spectra of the ACyA and AGuA mixture with varying ratios in CDCl₃ for the titration experiment.

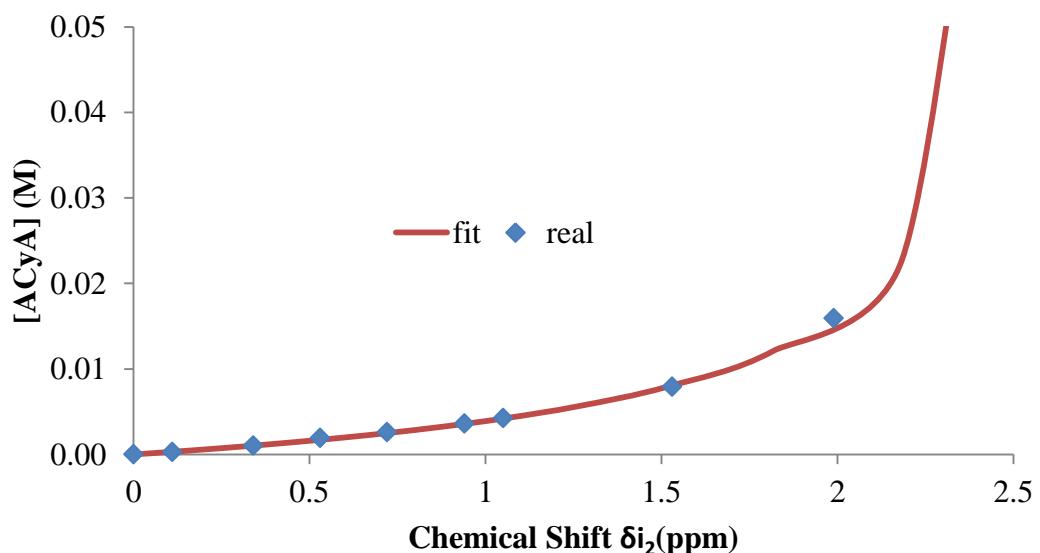


Figure S11. Non-linear fitting of NMR titration results for number two proton on AGuA to determine the binding constant of ACyA and AGuA in CDCl_3 at 22 °C.

In equation S1, $[H]_0$ and $[G]_0$ represent the concentration of ACyA (host) and AGuA (guest), respectively. δ_c defines the proton chemical shift difference between completely bonded AGuA and free AGuA, and δ_i defines the proton chemical shift difference between observed AGuA and the free AGuA. The titration experiment included a sequence of solution in CDCl_3 with constant AGuA concentration and varying ACyA concentration. The chemical shift of hydrogen bonded proton on AGuA shifted from high field to low field with increasing ACyA concentration.

$$[H]_0 = \frac{\frac{1}{K} - [G]_0 \left(\frac{\delta_i}{\delta_c} - 1 \right)}{\frac{\delta_c}{\delta_i} - 1} \quad (\text{S1})$$

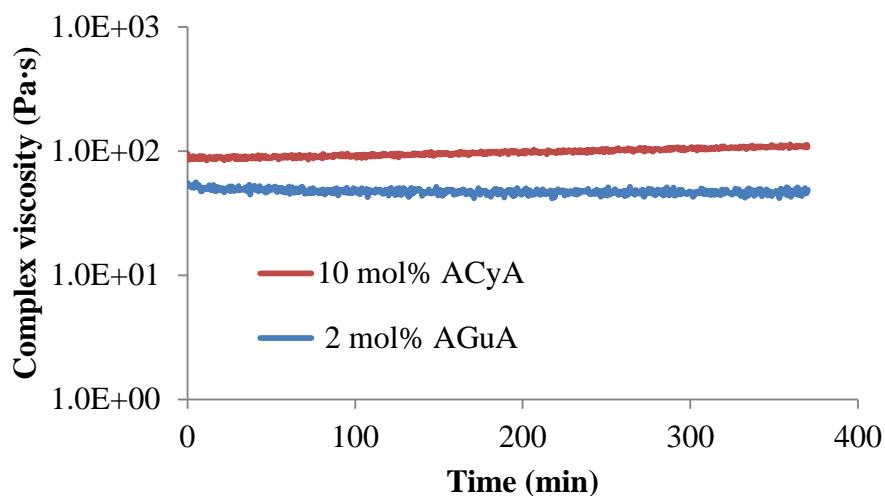


Figure S12. Isothermal time sweep of nucleobase-containing acrylics at 130 °C for 6 h.