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γ -valerolactone (GVL) as a bio-based green solvent and ligand for iron-mediated AGET ATRP

Supplementary material

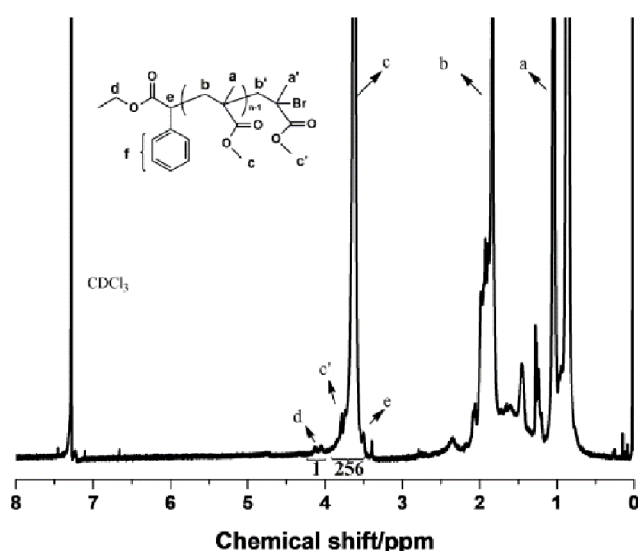


Figure S1: ^1H NMR spectrum of PMMA ($M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 17.3 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_{n,\text{GPC}} = 15.9 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_w/M_n = 1.27$) with CDCl_3 as the solvent. Experiment conditions: $[\text{MMA}]_0/[\text{EBPA}]_0/[\text{FeBr}_3]_0/[\text{AsAc-Na}]_0 = 200/1/0.5/1$ at 75°C . Solvent = γ -valerolactone, $V_{\text{MMA}} = 3$ mL, $V_{\text{solvent}} = 1.5$ mL. Reaction time = 5 h. Conversion = 70.1%.

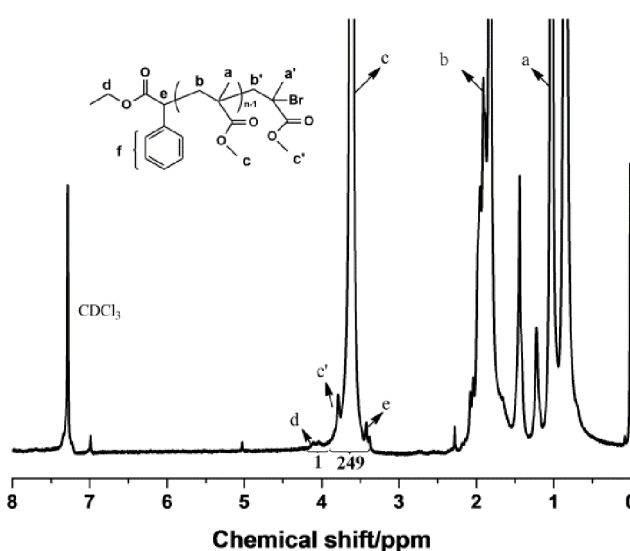


Figure S2: ^1H NMR spectrum of PMMA ($M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 16.8 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_{n,\text{GPC}} = 15.2 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_w/M_n = 1.25$) with CDCl_3 as the solvent. Experiment conditions: $[\text{MMA}]_0/[\text{EBPA}]_0/[\text{FeBr}_3]_0/[\text{AsAc-Na}]_0 = 200/1/0.5/1$ at 75°C . Solvent = γ -butyrolactone, $V_{\text{MMA}} = 3$ mL, $V_{\text{solvent}} = 1.5$ mL. Reaction time = 5 h. Conversion = 66.1%.

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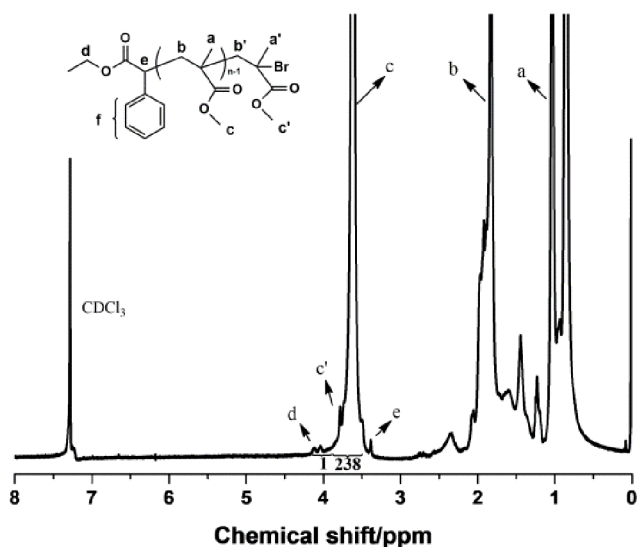


Figure S3: ^1H NMR spectrum of PMMA ($M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 16.1 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_{n,\text{GPC}} = 13.5 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_w/M_n = 1.25$) with CDCl_3 as the solvent. Experiment conditions: $[\text{MMA}]_0/[\text{EBPA}]_0/[\text{FeBr}_3]_0/[\text{AsAc-Na}]_0 = 200/1/0.5/1$ at 75°C . Solvent = γ -caprolactone, $V_{\text{MMA}} = 3$ mL, $V_{\text{solvent}} = 1.5$ mL. Reaction time = 5 h. Conversion = 59.8%.

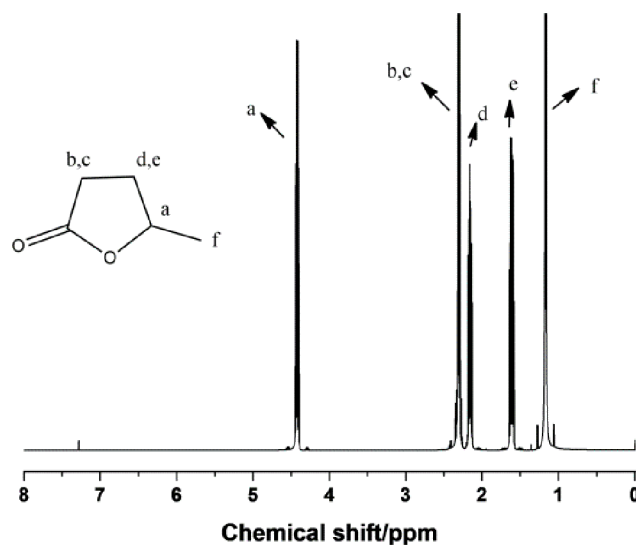


Figure S5: ^1H NMR spectrum of γ -valerolactone.

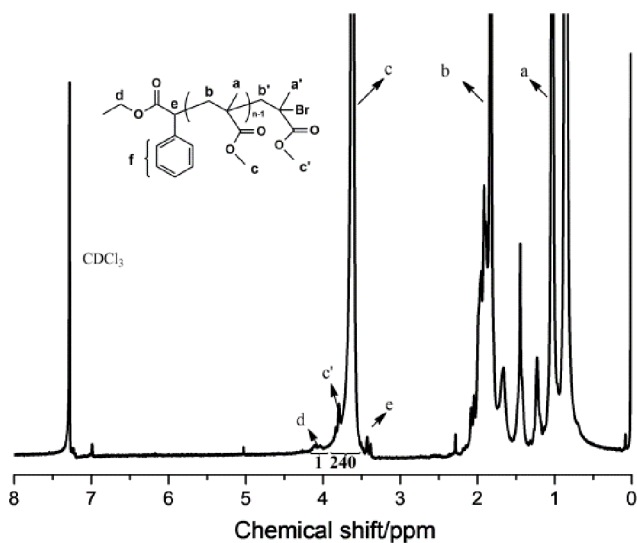


Figure S4: ^1H NMR spectrum of PMMA ($M_{n,\text{NMR}} = 16.3 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_{n,\text{GPC}} = 13.8 \times 10^3$ g/mol, $M_w/M_n = 1.25$) with CDCl_3 as the solvent. Experiment conditions: $[\text{MMA}]_0/[\text{EBPA}]_0/[\text{FeBr}_3]_0/[\text{AsAc-Na}]_0 = 200/1/0.5/1$ at 75°C . Solvent = γ -octanolactone, $V_{\text{MMA}} = 3$ mL, $V_{\text{solvent}} = 1.5$ mL. Reaction time = 5 h. Conversion = 61.2%.