Supporting Information

Exploring the Long-Term Hydrolytic Behavior of Zwitterionic Polymethacrylates and Polymethacrylamides

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1. Detailed 1H- and 13C-NMR spectroscopic characterization of the monomers



2-(N-(2-(methacryloyloxy)ethyl)-N,N-dimethylammonio)ethyl sulfate (M-1)

Figure S 1 a) ¹H NMR (in D_2O) and b) ¹³C (APT) NMR spectra (in D_2O) of **M-1**.



Figure S 2 a) 1 H- 1 H-COSY and b) 1 H- 13 C-HMQC NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-1**.

3-(N-(2-(methacryloyloxy)ethyl)-N,N-dimethylammonio)propyl sulfate (**M-2**)



Figure S 3 a) ¹H NMR (in D_2O) and b) ¹³C (APT) NMR spectra (in D_2O) of **M-2**.



Figure S 4 a) 1 H- 1 H-COSY and b) 1 H- 13 C-HMQC NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-2**.



Figure S 5 a) ¹H NMR (in D₂O) and b) ¹³C (APT) NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-3**.



Figure S 6 a) 1 H- 1 H-COSY and b) 1 H- 13 C-HMQC NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-3**.



Figure S 7 a) ¹H NMR (in D₂O) and b) ¹³C (APT) NMR spectra (in D₂O) of M-4.



Figure S 8 a) 1 H- 1 H-COSY and b) 1 H- 13 C-HMQC NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-4**.



Figure S 9 a) ¹H NMR (in D_2O) and b) ¹³C (APT) NMR spectra (in D_2O) of **M-5**



Figure S 10 a) 1 H- 1 H-COSY and b) 1 H- 13 C-HMQC NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-5**.



Figure S 11 a) ¹H NMR (in D_2O) and b) ¹³C (APT) NMR spectra (in D_2O) of M-6



Figure S 12 a) 1 H- 1 H-COSY and b) 1 H- 13 C-HMQC NMR spectra (in D₂O) of **M-6**.

2. Detailed 1H- and 13C-NMR spectroscopic characterization of the polymers

Polymer P-OEGMA



Figure S 13 a) 1 H NMR (in D₂O) of **P-OEGMA**.

Polymer P-SPE



Figure S 14 a) ¹H NMR (in dilute aqueous NaCl (9.0 g·L⁻¹) in D₂O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in dilute aqueous NaCl (9.0 g·L⁻¹) in D₂O) of **P-SPE**.



Figure S 15 a) ¹H NMR (in dilute aqueous NaCl (9.0 g·L⁻¹) in D₂O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in dilute aqueous NaCl (9.0 g·L⁻¹) in D₂O) of **P-SPP**.

Polymer **P-1**



Figure S 16 a) ¹H NMR (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O) of **P-1**.

Polymer P-2



Figure S 17 a) ¹H NMR (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O of **P-2**.

Polymer P-3



Figure S 18 a) ¹H NMR (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O of **P-3**.

Polymer P-4



Figure S 19 a) ¹H NMR (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O of **P-4**.



Figure S 20 a) ¹H NMR (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O) and b) ¹H-¹H-COSY (in saturated NaCl solution in D_2O of **P-6**.

3. Preparation of buffer solution

1. Monomer/phosphate buffered saline (PBS) pH=7.4

48 mg of a PBS tablet (provider Sigma Aldrich) were dissolved in 5.0 mL of D_2O , resulting in a 0.01 M phosphate buffer, 0.0027 M KCl and 0.137 M NaCl solution with a pH value of 7.4 at 25 °C. 0.6 mL of the prepared buffer solution was added to 0.06 mmol monomer shortly before the first NMR measurement. 3-(Trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt was added as inner standard. Monomers **M-5** and **M-6** dissolved only partially in the buffer solution.

2. Monomer/deuterium chloride pH=0

0.8 mL of deuterium chloride (38 wt% in D₂O) and 12.5 of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 4.2 mL of D₂O, resulting in a deuterium chloride solution with a pH-value of 0. 0.3 mL of the so prepared solution was added to a 0.3 mL/0.06 mmol of monomer solution shortly before the first NMR measurement. Monomers **M-5** and **M-6** dissolved only partially in the buffer solution.

3. Monomer/carbonate buffer pH=10

302.4 mg of NaHCO₃, 148.4 mg of Na₂CO₃ and 12.5 mg of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 5.0 mL of D₂O, resulting in a 1 molar carbonate buffer solution with a pH-value of 10. 0.6 mL of the prepared buffer solution was added to 0.06 mmol of monomer shortly before the first NMR measurement. Monomers **M-5** and **M-6** dissolved only partially in the buffer solution.

4. Monomer/sodium hydroxide pH=14

400 mg of NaOH and 12.5 of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 5.0 mL of D₂O, resulting in a sodium hydroxide solution with a pH-value of 14. 0.3 mL of the prepared solution was added to 0.06 mmol monomer in 0.3 mL D₂O shortly before the first NMR measurement. Monomers M-5 and M-6 dissolved only partially in the buffer solution.

5. Polymer/phosphate buffered saline (PBS) pH=7.4

48 mg of а PBS pill (provider Sigma Aldrich) and 12.5 mg of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 5.0 mL of D₂O, resulting in a 0.01 M phosphate buffer, 0.0027 M KCl and 0.137 M NaCl solution with a pH value of 7.4 at 25 °C. The prepared buffer solution was added to the equivalent weight of 0.06 mmol repeating units of the polymer before the first NMR measurement. In case of **P-1** to **P-6** the prepared phosphate buffer solution was additionally saturated with sodium chloride. Polymer P-5 did not dissolve in the sodium chloride saturated phosphate buffer solution.

6. Monomer/deuterium chloride pH=0

0.8 mL of deuterium chloride (38 wt% in D₂O) and 12.5 of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 4.2 mL of D₂O, resulting in a deuterium chloride solution with a pH-value of 0. 0.3 mL of the prepared solution was added to a polymer solution in pure D₂O (in case of **P-OEGMA**, **P-SPE** and **P-SPP**), or in a saturated NaCl in D₂O (in case of **P-1** to **P-6**) before the first NMR measurement. For **P-1** to **P-6**, the DCl solution was additionally saturated with sodium chloride, before added to the polymer solution. **P-5** did not dissolve in the sodium chloride saturated deuterium chloride solution.

7. Polymer/carbonate buffer pH=10

302.4 mg of NaHCO₃, 148.4 mg of Na₂CO₃ and 12.5 mg of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 5 mL of D₂O, resulting in a carbonate buffer solution with a pH-value of 10. 0.3 mL of the prepared buffer solution was added in a polymer solution in pure D₂O (in case of P-OEGMA, P-SPE and P-SPP), or in saturated NaCl in D₂O (in case of **P-1** to **P-6**) before the first NMR measurement. **P-5** did not dissolve in the sodium chloride saturated carbonate buffer solution.

8. Polymer/sodium hydroxide pH=14

400 mg of NaOH and 12.5 of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-d₄ acid sodium salt (12,5 mM) were dissolved in 5.0 mL of D₂O, resulting in a sodium hydroxide solution with a pH-value of 14. 0.3 mL of the prepared solution was added to a polymer solution in pure D₂O (in case of **P-OEGMA**, **P-SPE** and **P-SPP**), or in a saturated NaCl in D₂O (in case of **P-1** to **P-6**) before the first NMR measurement. For **P-1** and **P-6**, the NaOH solution was additionally saturated with sodium chloride, before added to the polymer solution. **P-5** did not dissolve in the sodium chloride saturated sodium hydroxide solution.

4. Evolution of the monomer and polymer 1H-NMR spectra upon storage in aqueous media at 22 °C at various pH values.



4.1. Monomer hydrolysis in phosphate buffered saline (pH = 7.4)

Figure S 21 Evolution of ester and amid hydrolysis of monomers in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D₂O (undiluted PBS contains yields in 0.137 mol*L⁻¹ of NaCl, 0.0027 mol*L⁻¹ of KCl and 0.01 mol*L⁻¹phosphate buffer, pH 7.4 at 25 °C):
(□) = OEGMA, (□) = SPE, (*) = SPP, (□) = M-1, (□) = M-2, (+) = M-3, (X) = M-4.

Calculation of hydrolysis in mol %:

$$\begin{aligned} Hydrolyse_{M-1} \ [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}} * 100}{I_{a'} + I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}} * 100}{I_{a''} + I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} \ [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}} * 100}{I_{a'} + I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}} * 100}{I_{a''} + I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} \ [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}} * 100}{I_{a'} + I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}} * 100}{I_{a''} + I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} \ [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}} * 100}{I_{a'} + I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}} * 100}{I_{a''} + I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$Hydrolyse_{OEGMA} [mol \%] = \left(\frac{I_{a_{2}'}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a_{2}''}} + \frac{I_{a_{2}''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a_{2}''}}\right)/2$$
$$Hydrolyse_{SPE} [mol \%] = \left(\frac{I_{a_{2}''}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a_{2}''}} + \frac{I_{a_{2}''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a_{2}''}}\right)/2$$
$$Hydrolyse_{SPP} [mol \%] = \left(\frac{I_{a_{2}'}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a_{2}'}} + \frac{I_{a_{2}''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a_{2}''}}\right)/2$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis.

 $I_{a'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1$ $I_{a_{2}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6$ $I_{a''}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.7$ $I_{a_{1}'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3$ $I_{a'}(M-2, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1$ $I_{a_{a}}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6$ $I_{a''}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.7$ $I_{a_{2}'}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3$ $I_{a'}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.6$ $I_{a_{2}}(M-3, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{a''}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4$ $I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(M-3, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{a'}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.6$ $I_{a_{2}}(M-4, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{a''}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4$ $I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(M-4, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{a'}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.0$ $I_{a''}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.5$ $I_{a_{2}''}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3$ $I_{a'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 6.4-6.1$ $I_{a''}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.7$ $I_{a_{2}''}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.5-5.3$ $I_{a'}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.6$ $I_{a_{2}}(SPP, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{a''}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4$ $I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(SPP, range in ppm) = no signal$



Figure S 22 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **OEGMA** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D₂O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 23 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPE** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 24 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPP** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D₂O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 25 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-1** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 26 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-2 in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 27 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-3** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 28 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-4** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 29 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-5** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 30 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-6** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D₂O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 31. Evolution of ester and amid hydrolysis of monomers in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D₂O (pH=0): (\Box) = **OEGMA**, (\Box) = **SPE**, (*) = **SPP**, (\Box) = **M-1**, (\Box) = **M-2**, (+) = **M-3**, (X) = **M-4**.

Calculation of hydrolysis in mol %:

$$\begin{aligned} Hydrolyse_{M-1} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{a_2'}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a_2'}} + \frac{I_{a_2''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a_2''}}\right)/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{a_2'}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a_2'}} + \frac{I_{a_2''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a_2''}}\right)/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{f_2}*100}{I_{f+f_3}+I_{f_2}}\right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{c_2}*100}{I_{c+c_3}+I_{c_2}}\right) \\ Hydrolyse_{OEGMA} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{c_2}*100}{I_{c+c_3}+I_{c_2}}\right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{a_2''}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a_2''}} + \frac{I_{a_2''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a_2''}}\right)/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{SPP} [mol \%] &= \left(\frac{I_{c_2}*100}{I_{c+c_3}+I_{c_2}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis.
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I_{a'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 6.2-6.1
I_{a'_{a}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 6.1-6.0
I_{a''}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.8
I_{a_{1}'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.7
I_{a'}(M-2, range in ppm) = 6.4-6.2
I_{a_2'}(M-2, range in ppm) = 6.2-6.0
I_{a''}(M-2, range in ppm) = 6.0-5.9
I_{a''}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.6
I_{f+f_3}(M-3, range in ppm) = 2.4-2.2
I_{f_2}(M-3, range in ppm) = 2.2-2.0
I_{c+c_3}(M-4, range in ppm) = 2.0-1.9
I_{c_2}(M-4, range in ppm) = 1.9-1.8
I_{c+c_3}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 2.1-2.0
I_{c_2}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 2.1-1.9
I_{a'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1
I_{a'_{a}}(SPE, range in ppm) = 6.1-6.0
I_{a''}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.7
I_{a_{2}''}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.7.5.6
I_{c+c_2}(SPP, range in ppm) = 2.0-1.9
I_{c_2}(SPP, range in ppm) = 1.9-1.8
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Figure S 32. Evolution of sulfate and sulfonate hydrolysis of monomers in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D₂O (pH=0): (\Box) = SPE, (*) = SPP, (\Box) = M1, (\Box) = M2, (+) = M3, (X) = M4, (\Box) = M5, (\Box) = M6.

$$\begin{aligned} Hydrolyse_{M-1} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{\left[I_{k_{3}} + e_{3} - 2 * I_{a'_{2}} \right] / 2}{\left[I_{g+i} - 2 * I_{a'_{2}} \right] / 2 + \left[I_{k_{3}} + e_{3} - 2 * I_{a'_{2}} \right] / 2} * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{j_{3}} * 100}{I_{j_{2}} + I_{j_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}} * 100}{I_{k} + I_{k_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}} * 100}{I_{k} + I_{k_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-5} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{j_{3}} * 100}{I_{j_{2}} + I_{j_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-6} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}} * 100}{I_{j_{2}} + I_{j_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}} * 100}{I_{k+k_{2}} + I_{k_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPP} \left[\text{mol } \% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}} * 100}{I_{k+k_{2}} + I_{k_{3}}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis

 $I_{k_3+e_3}(M-1, range in ppm) = 4.6-4.4$ $I_{a'_{2}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 6.1-6.2$ $I_{q+i}(M-1, range in ppm) = 4.2-4.0$ $I_{i_2}(M-2, range in ppm) = 2.2-2.0$ $I_{i_2}(M-2, range in ppm) = 2.4-2.2$ $I_{k_3}(M-3, range in ppm) = 4.2-3.9$ $I_k(M-3, range in ppm) = 4.6-4.3$ $I_{k_3}(M-4, range in ppm) = 3.8-3.6$ $I_k(M-4, range in ppm) = 4.3-4.0$ $I_{i_3}(M-5, range in ppm) = 3.6-3.4$ $I_i(M-5, range in ppm) = 3.9-3.6$ $I_{i_2}(M-6, range in ppm) = 2.2-2.0$ $I_i(M-6, range in ppm) = 2.4-2.2$ $I_{k_3}(SPE, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{k+k_2}(SPE, range in ppm) = 3.1-2.9$ $I_{k_3}(SPP, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_k(SPP, range in ppm) = 3.1-2.9$



Figure S 33 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **OEGMA** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 34 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPE** in hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 35 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPP** in hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 36 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-1 in hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 37 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-2** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 38 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-3 in hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 39 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-4 in hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 40 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-5** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 41 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-6** in hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.

4.1. 2D-Spektra (${}^{1}H{}^{-1}H{}-COSY$) - Monomer hydrolysis pH=0



Figure S 42 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **SPP** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 43 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-1** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 44 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-2** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 45 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-3** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 46 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-4** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 47 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-5** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 48 ¹H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-6** in hydrochloric acid in D₂O, after 291 days.



Figure S 49 Evolution of ester and amid hydrolysis of monomers in pH=10 carbonate buffer in D₂O: (\Box) = **OEGMA**, (\Box) = **SPE**, (*) = **SPP**, (\Box) = **M-1**, (\Box) = **M-2**, (+) = **M-3**, (X) = **M-4**.

$$\begin{aligned} Hydrolyse_{M-1} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{OEGMA} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{SPP} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \end{aligned}$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis.

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I_{a'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1
I_{a_{2}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6
I_{a''}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.7
I_{a_{1}'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a'}(M-2, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1
I_{a_{a}}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6
I_{a''}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.7
I_{a_{2}'}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a'}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.6
I_{a_{a}}(M-3, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a''}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4
I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(M-3, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a'}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.6
I_{a'}(M-4, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a''}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4
I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(M-4, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a'}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1
I_{a_{2}}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6
I_{a''}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.7
I_{a_{1}''}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 6.3-6.1
I_{a_{a}'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6
I_{a''}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.7
I_{a_{2}'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.5-5.3
I_{a'}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.9-5.6
I_{a_{2}}(SPP, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a''}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4
I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(SPP, range in ppm) = no signal
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Figure S 50 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **OEGMA** in carbonate buffer in D₂O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 51 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPE** in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 52 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPP** in carbonate buffer in D₂O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 53 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-1 in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 54 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-2 in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 55 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-3 in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 56 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-4** in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 57 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-5 in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 58 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-6** in carbonate buffer in D_2O (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 59 Evolution of ester and amid hydrolysis of monomers in sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH=14): (\Box) = **OEGMA**, (\Box) = **SPE**, (*) = **SPP**, (\Box) = **M-1**, (\Box) = **M-2**, (+) = **M-3**, (X) = **M-4**.

$$\begin{aligned} Hydrolyse_{M-1} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}}) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}}) \\ Hydrolyse_{0EGMA} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \\ Hydrolyse_{SPP} [mol \%] &= (\frac{I_{a'_{2}}*100}{I_{a'}+I_{a'_{2}}} + \frac{I_{a''_{2}}*100}{I_{a''}+I_{a''_{2}}})/2 \end{aligned}$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis.

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I_{a'}(M-1, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{a}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.6
I_{a''}(M-1, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{2}'}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.5-5.3
I_{a'}(M-2, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{2}}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6
I_{a''}(M-2, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a''}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4
I_{a_{2}'}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a''}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a_{1}^{\prime\prime}}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.3-5.2
I_{a'}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{0}}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.6
I_{a''}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{1}''}(OEGMA, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a'}(SPE, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{a}'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.6
I_{a''}(SPE, range in ppm) = no signal
I_{a_{1}'}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
I_{a'}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.8-5.7
I_{a_{2}}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.7-5.6
I_{a''}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.5-5.4
I_{a_{1}'}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3
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Figure S 60 Evolution of sulfate and sulfonate hydrolysis of monomers in sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH=14): (\Box) = SPE, (*) = SPP, (\Box) = M-1, (\Box) = M-2, (+) = M-3, (X) = M-4, (\Box) = M-5, (\Box) = M-6.

General (without use of product integral):

$$\begin{aligned} Hyd_{\cdot_{M\cdot X}} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_3}}{I_{k_3} + I_{k_2}}\right) * 100 = \frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2} + I_{k_2}} * 100 = \frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''}} * 100 \\ Hydrolyse_{M-1} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''} + a^{\prime\prime} - I_{k_2}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} + a^{\prime\prime} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''} + a^{\prime\prime}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''} + a^{\prime\prime}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-6} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2'}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-6} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2'}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''}}\right) * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} \ [mol\%] &= \left(\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''}}\right) * 100 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$Hydrolyse_{SPP} \text{ [mol \%]} = (\frac{2 * I_{a_2''} - I_{k_2}}{2 * I_{a_2''}}) * 100$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis. Index 3 in e.g. I_{e_3} indicates the sulfate hydrolysis product.

 $I_{k_2}(M-1, range in ppm) = 4.5-4.35$ $I_{I_{a''}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.1$ $I_{k_2}(M-2, range in ppm) = 4.3-4.1$ $I_{I_{a''}}(M-2, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3$ $I_{k_2}(M-3, range in ppm) = 4.6-4.4$ $I_{I_{a''}}(M-3, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.4$ $I_{k_2}(M-4, range in ppm) = 4.3-4.0$ $I_{I_{a''_{a'}}}(M-4, range in ppm) = 5.6-5.3$ $I_{i_2}(M-5, range in ppm) = 3.9-3.6$ $I_{I_{a''}}(M-5, range in ppm) = 6.1-5.8$ $I_{I_{a_{2}'}}(M-6, range in ppm) = 6.1-5.8$ $I_{k_2}(M-6, range in ppm) = no decomposition$ $I_{I_{a''}}(SPE, range in ppm) = 5.4-5.3$ $I_{k_2}(SPE, range in ppm) = no decomposition$ $I_{I_{a''}}(SPP, range in ppm) = 5.5-5.3$ $I_{k_2}(SPP, range in ppm) = no decomposition$



Figure S 61 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **OEGMA** in sodium hydroxid in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 62 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPE** in sodium hydroxid in D₂O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 63 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **SPP** in sodium hydroxid in D₂O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 64 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-1** in sodium hydroxid in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 65 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-2 in sodium hydroxid in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.


Figure S 66 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of M-3 in sodium hydroxid in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 67 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-4** in sodium hydroxid in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 68 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-5** in sodium hydroxid in D₂O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 69 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of 0.1 M solution of **M-6** in sodium hydroxid in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



3.1. 2D-Spektra (${}^{1}H{}^{-1}H{}-COSY$) - Monomer hydrolysis pH=14

Figure S 70 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **SPE** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 71 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **SPP** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 72 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-1** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 73 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-2** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 74 1 H-¹H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-3** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 75 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-4** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 76 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-5** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.



Figure S 77 1 H- 1 H-COSY NMR spectra of 0.1 M solution of **M-6** sodium hydroxide in D₂O (pH = 14), after 124 days.

4.5. Polymer hydrolysis in phosphate buffered saline (pH = 7.4)



Figure S 78 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-OEGMA** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 79 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-SPE** and **P-SPP** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D_2O (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 80 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-1** and **P-2** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D₂O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 81 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-3** and **P-4** in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) in D₂O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 7.4) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 82 Evolution of sulfate and sulfonate hydrolysis of polymers in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D₂O (pH=0): (\Box) = SPE, (*) = SPP, (\Box) = M1, (\Box) = M2, (+) = M3, (X) = M4, (\Box) = M5, (\Box) = M6.

Calculation of hydrolysis in mol %:

$$\begin{aligned} Hydrolyse_{M-1} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{[I_{k_{3}+e_{3}}-2*I_{a_{2}'}]/2}{[I_{g+i}-2*I_{a_{2}'}]/2 + [I_{k_{3}+e_{3}}-2*I_{a_{2}'}]/2} * 100 \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-2} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{j_{3}}*100}{I_{j_{2}}+I_{j_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-3} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}}*100}{I_{k}+I_{k_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-4} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}}*100}{I_{k}+I_{k_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-5} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{j_{3}}*100}{I_{j_{2}}+I_{j_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{M-6} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{j_{3}}*100}{I_{j_{2}}+I_{j_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPE} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}}*100}{I_{k+k_{2}}+I_{k_{3}}} \right) \\ Hydrolyse_{SPP} \left[\text{mol }\% \right] &= \left(\frac{I_{k_{3}}*100}{I_{k}+I_{k_{3}}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The Index 2 in e.g. I_{e_2} indicates the hydrolysis product of the ester/amid product, while no index e.g. $I_{a''}$ determines the unchanged molecule without hydrolysis $I_{k_3+e_3}(M-1, range in ppm) = 4.6-4.4$ $I_{a'_{2}}(M-1, range in ppm) = 6.1-6.2$ $I_{q+i}(M-1, range in ppm) = 4.2-4.0$ $I_{i_2}(M-2, range in ppm) = 2.2-2.0$ $I_{i_2}(M-2, range in ppm) = 2.4-2.2$ $I_{k_3}(M-3, range in ppm) = 4.2-3.9$ $I_k(M-3, range in ppm) = 4.6-4.3$ $I_{k_3}(M-4, range in ppm) = 3.8-3.6$ $I_k(M-4, range in ppm) = 4.3-4.0$ $I_{i_3}(M-5, range in ppm) = 3.6-3.4$ $I_i(M-5, range in ppm) = 3.9-3.6$ $I_{i_2}(M-6, range in ppm) = 2.2-2.0$ $I_i(M-6, range in ppm) = 2.4-2.2$ $I_{k_3}(SPE, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_{k+k_2}(SPE, range in ppm) = 3.1-2.9$ $I_{k_3}(SPP, range in ppm) = no signal$ $I_k(SPP, range in ppm) = 3.1-2.9$



Figure S 83 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-OEGMA** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 84 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-SPE** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 85 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-SPP** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 86 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-1** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) saturated with sodium chloride at room temperature over time.



Figure S 87 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-2** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) saturated with sodium chloride at room temperature over time.



Figure S 88 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-3** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) saturated with sodium chloride at room temperature over time.



Figure S 89 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-4** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) saturated with sodium chloride at room temperature over time.



Figure S 90 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-6** in 1 M hydrochloric acid in D_2O (pH = 0) saturated with sodium chloride at room temperature over time.

4.7. Polymer hydrolysis hydrogen carbonate buffer (pH=10)



Figure S 91 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-OEGMA** and **P-SPP** in carbonate buffer in (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 92 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-1** and **P-2** in carbonate buffer in D_2O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 93 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-3** and **P-4** in carbonate buffer in D_2O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 10) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 94 1 H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-1** and **P-2** in carbonate buffer in D₂O (pH = 10) (in case of P-6 saturated with sodium chloride) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 95 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-OEGMA** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 96 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-SPE** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 97 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-SPP** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 98 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-1** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 99 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-2** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 100 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-3** in sodium hydroxide in D₂O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 101 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-4** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.



Figure S 102 ¹H-NMR spectrum showing the degradation of **P-6** in sodium hydroxide in D_2O saturated with sodium chloride (pH = 14) at room temperature over time.