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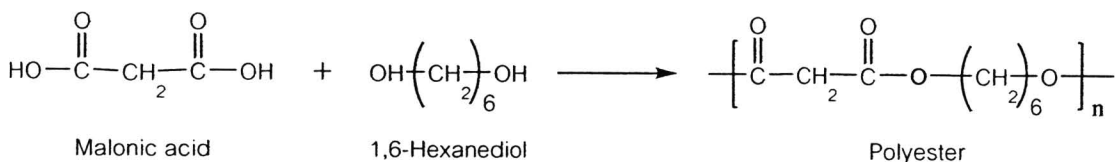
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## **APPENDIX**

## APPENDIX A Calculations

### Calculation of the amounts of mPEG, diol and dicid monomer used in the syntheses of mPEG-polyester copolymer

1. The molecular weight of mPEG block used is 2,000 g/mol
2. The expected molecular weight of polyester block is 5,000 g/mol
3. The overall molecular weight of mPEG- polyester copolymer is 7,000 g/mol



1. Weight of 1,6-hexane diol and malonic acid needed

Weight of repeating unit of polyester  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4 = 186 \text{ g/mol}$

$$X_n = (5,000/186) \text{ g/mol}$$

$$X_n = 26.88 \approx 27 \text{ unit}$$

Carother's equation :  $X_n = (1+r) / (1-r)$

When r is ratio of 1,6-hexane diol : malonic acid

$$27 = (1+r) / (1-r)$$

$$27 - 27r = 1 + r$$

$$r = 26/28 = 1/1.07$$

Then 1,6-hexane diol 1 mol : malonic acid 1.07 mol

Assumed  $n_1$  is mol of malonic acid

$n_2$  is mol of 1,6-hexane diol

$$\text{Then } n_1 / n_2 = 1.07$$

$$n_1 = 1.07 n_2 \quad \text{--- 1}$$

From  $n = g/mw$  or  $g = n \times mw$

Molecular weight of malonic acid ( $C_3H_4O_4$ ) 104 g/mol

Molecular weight of 1,6-hexane diol ( $C_6H_{14}O_2$ ) 118 g/mol

The expected weight of polyester 5.00 g

$$5.00 = 104 n_1 + 118 n_2 \quad \text{--- 2}$$

From (1)  $n_1 = 1.07 n_2$

$$5.00 = 104 (1.07 n_2) + 118 n_2$$

$$5.00 = 229.28 n_2$$

$$n_2 = 0.022$$

$$\therefore \text{1,6-hexane diol } 0.022 \times 118 = 2.60 \text{ g}$$

Substitute  $n_2 = 0.022$  in equation 2

$$5.00 = (104 \times n_1) + (118 \times 0.022)$$

$$n_1 = 0.033$$

$$\therefore \text{malonic acid } 0.023 \times 104 = 2.39 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Overall of polyester } 2.60 + 2.39 = 4.99 \text{ g}$$

## 2. Calculation of the amounts of mPEG needed

$$\text{Ratio of polyester:mPEG} = 1 : 1$$

$$\text{Weight of 5,000 g/mol polyester} = 4.99 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Mol of polyester} = 4.99 \text{ g} / 5,000 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$= 9.98 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mPEG} = 9.98 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Targeted weight of mPEG} = 2,000 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$\text{mPEG} = 2,000 \times (9.98 \times 10^{-4}) \text{ g}$$

$$= 1.996 \approx 2.00 \text{ g}$$

**Calculation of the weights of ferrous chloride ( $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) and ferric chloride ( $\text{FeCl}_3$ ) used in the preparation of magnetite nanoparticles**

1. Molecular weight of ferrous chloride ( $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) is 198.71 g/mol
2. Molecular weight of ferric chloride ( $\text{FeCl}_3$ ) is 162.20 g/mol

The chemical equation for the synthesis of magnetite ( $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ ):



**Step 1. Calculate the weight of  $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and mole of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  needed**

There is 55.85 g of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in 198.71 g of  $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . If we want 1.00 g of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , the weight of  $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  could be calculated as follow:

$$\text{Weight of } \text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O} = \frac{(198.71 \text{ g})(1.00 \text{ g})}{55.85 \text{ g}} = 3.50 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Therefore, the mole of } \text{Fe}^{2+} = \frac{1.00 \text{ g}}{55.85 \text{ g/mol}} = 1.80 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol}$$

**Step 2. Calculate the weight of  $\text{FeCl}_3$**

From the equation A-2, the molar ratio of  $\text{Fe}^{3+} : \text{Fe}^{2+}$  is 2 : 1. Then, the mole and weight of  $\text{FeCl}_3$  could be calculated as follow:

$$\text{Mole of } \text{Fe}^{3+} = 1.80 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol} \times 2 = 3.60 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{Weight of } \text{Fe}^{3+} = 3.60 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol} \times 55.85 \text{ g/mol} = 2.00 \text{ g}$$

There is 55.85 g of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in 162.20 g of  $\text{FeCl}_3$ . If we want 2.00 g of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ , the weight of  $\text{FeCl}_3$  needed could be calculated as follow:

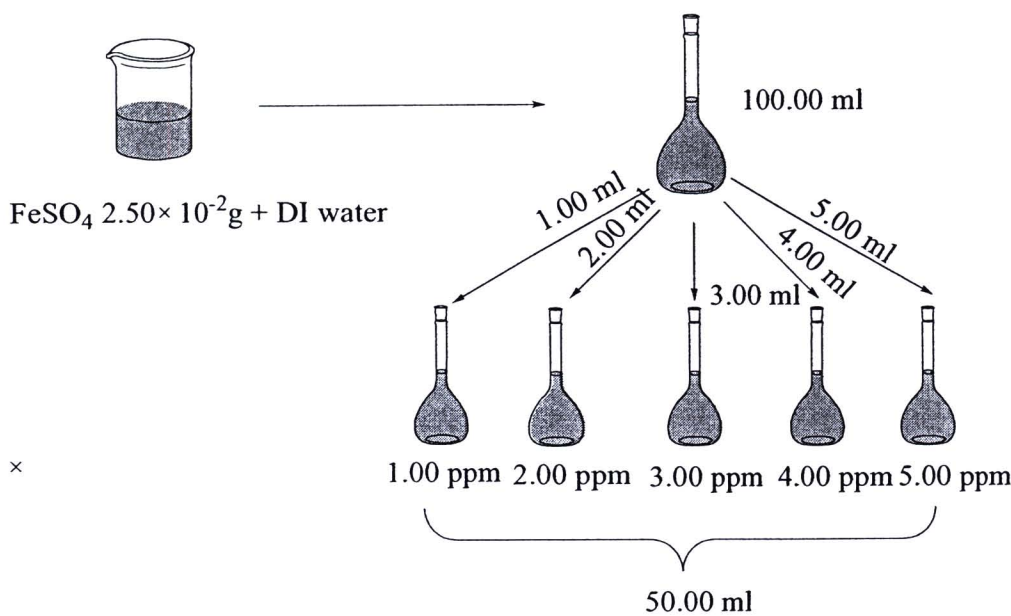
$$\text{Weight of } \text{FeCl}_3 \text{ needed} = \frac{(162.20 \text{ g})(2.00 \text{ g})}{55.85 \text{ g}} = 5.80 \text{ g}$$

Therefore, to synthesize magnetite nanoparticles using 2:1 molar ratio of  $\text{Fe}^{3+} : \text{Fe}^{2+}$ , 3.55 g  $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 5.80 g  $\text{FeCl}_3$  was required in the reaction, respectively.

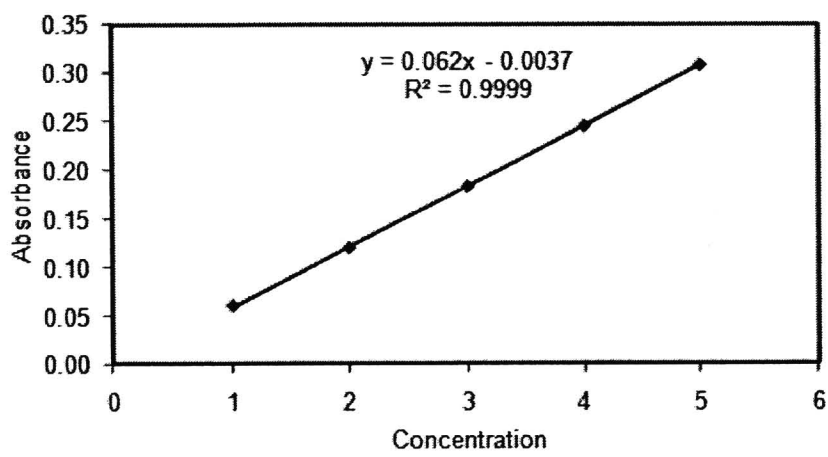
**Determination of magnetite concentrations Via atomic absorption spectroscopy (AAS) technique**

**Preparation of magnetite standard solutions for the calibration curve**

$2.50 \times 10^{-2}$  g of  $\text{FeSO}_4$  was used for preparation of a 100.00 ml stock solution in deionized water. Various concentration solutions, 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, and 5.00 ppm, were prepared using 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, and 5.00 ml, respectively, of the stock solution and adjusted the volume to 50.00 ml. The exact concentrations of each solution were analyzed by AAS technique.



**Figure 47 Preparation scheme of magnetite standard solutions**



**Figure 48 Calibration curve of FeSO<sub>4</sub>with various concentration solutions**

**Magnetite nanoparticles in the form of aqueous dispersions**

**1. Digestion method**

A 0.10 ml solution of mPEG-polyester copolymer-stabilized magnetite nanoparticles was digested with a 5.00 ml 70.00% nitric acid solution under heating environment until there was no observable precipitate of magnetite particles. 5.00 ml perchloric acid was then pored into the solution and the solution color changed from yellow to clear appearance. Volume of the solution was adjusted to 50.00 ml before analyzed by AAS technique.





$$= 1305 \% \text{ mg/ml}$$

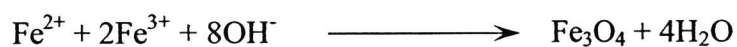
$$= 1.30 \% \text{ g/ml}$$

Calculation of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  concentration in the dispersion:

$$\text{The molecular weight of Fe} = 55.84 \text{ g/mol Fe}$$

$$\text{The formula weight of Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = 231.48 \text{ g/mol}$$

From the equation;



Three moles of Fe (1.00 mole of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and 2.00 moles of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ) result in one mole of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$

Thus, 1.30 g/ml of Fe can form  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$

$$= \frac{(231.48 \text{ g/mol})(1\text{mol})(1.30 \text{ g/ml})}{(55.84 \text{ g/mol})(3\text{mol})}$$

$$= 5.41 \text{ g/ml}$$

Calculation of the molecular weight of mPEG-polyester diblock copolymer from a <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum

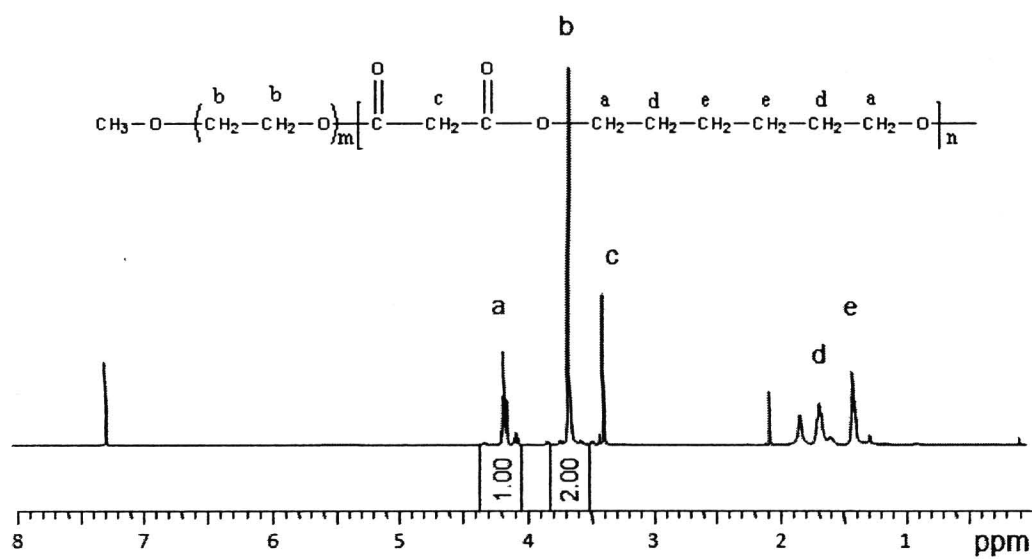


Figure 50 A <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of Ma/He/M2

Estimation of number of repeating units of polyester segments:

Step 1: Calculate number of protons in mPEG block

Molecular weight of one repeating unit of mPEG = 44.01 g/mol

Thus, the unit number of 2,000.00 g/mol mPEG should be 
$$= \frac{2000.00 \text{ g/mol}}{44.01 \text{ g/mol}}$$
$$= 45.45 \text{ units}$$

One repeating unit of mPEG has 4.00 protons

Thus, the number of protons of 2,000.00 g/mol mPEG 
$$= 45.45 \times 4.00$$
$$= 181.8 \text{ H}$$

From the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum, the integration ratio of mPEG (peak b) = 2.0

The integration ratio of one proton 
$$= \frac{2.0}{181.8}$$

Therefore, integration ratio of one proton 
$$= 1.1 \times 10^{-2}$$

**Step 2:** Estimate the molecular weight of polyester segments

The integration ratio of methylene protons (peak *a*) = 1.00

Unit of polyester has 4.00 methylene protons of peak *a*

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The number of repeating units of polyester} &= \frac{1.00}{1.1 \times 10^{-2} \times 4.00} \\ &= 22.73 \text{ units}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Because the molecular weight of polyester} = 186 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus, the molecular weight of polyester block} &= 186 \text{ g/mol} \times 22.73 \text{ units} \\ &= 4,227 \text{ g/mol}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{There for molecular weight of mPEG-polyester} &= 2,000 \text{ g/mol} + 4,227 \text{ g/mol} \\ &= 6,227 \sim 6,000 \text{ g/mol}\end{aligned}$$

**Calculation of percent of the composition in the copolymer-magnetite complex determined via Thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA) technique**

1. Bare magnetite (Percent char yield = 93%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (93/93) \times 100 = 100 \%$$

2. Oleic acid-magnetite complex (Percent char yield = 66%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (66/93) \times 100 = 71 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = 100 - 71 = 29 \%$$

$$(\text{weight ratio of } \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 : \text{Oleic} = 2.4 : 1)$$

3. 1% copolymer (Ma/He/M5)-magnetite complex

(Percent char yield = 31%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (31/93) \times 100 = 33 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = (1 \times 33)/2.4 = 14 \%$$

$$\% \text{copolymer} = 100 - (33 + 14) = 53 \%$$

4. 0.1% copolymer (Ma/He/M5)-magnetite complex

(Percent char yield = 32%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (32/93) \times 100 = 34 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = (1 \times 34)/2.4 = 14 \%$$

$$\% \text{copolymer} = 100 - (34 + 14) = 52 \%$$

5. 0.01% copolymer (Ma/He/M5)-magnetite complex (Percent char yield = 34%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (34/93) \times 100 = 37 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = (1 \times 37)/2.4 = 15 \%$$

$$\% \text{copolymer} = 100 - (37 + 15) = 48 \%$$

## 6. 0.001% copolymer (Ma/He/M5)-magnetite complex

(Percent char yield = 31%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (31/93) \times 100 = 33 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = (1 \times 33)/2.4 = 14 \%$$

$$\% \text{copolymer} = 100 - (33 + 14) = 53 \%$$

## 7. Unsat-coated particle (Percent char yield = 27%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (27/93) \times 100 = 29 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = (1 \times 29)/2.4 = 12 \%$$

$$\% \text{mPEG- unsaturated polyester} = 100 - (29 + 12) = 59 \%$$

## 8. Crosslinked-coated particle (Percent char yield = 26%)

$$\% \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 = (26/93) \times 100 = 28 \%$$

$$\% \text{Oleic acid} = (1 \times 28)/2.4 = 11 \%$$

$$\% \text{mPEG- crosslinked polyester} = 100 - (28 + 11) = 61 \%$$

### Calculation of indomethacin entrapment efficiency (%EE)

Entrapment efficiency (%EE) was determined from the following equation:

$$\% \text{Entrapment Efficiency (\%EE)} = \frac{\text{Weight of the entrapped drug in the complex}}{\text{Weight of loaded drug}} \times 100$$

### Calculation of the weight of the loaded indomethacin

One ml of the indomethacin-THF solution (0.1 g indomethacin/ml THF) was loaded into the dispersion of copolymer-magnetite complex in water.

0.20 ml was taken and diluted 10,000 folds.

0.20 ml was then taken for UV measurement.

The observed concentration from UV was 9.92 ppm.

The prednisolone solution 1,000 ml contains prednisolone = 9.92 mg

$$\text{The prednisolone solution 0.20 ml contains prednisolone} = \frac{(9.92 \text{ mg})(0.20 \text{ ml})}{1000 \text{ ml}}$$

$$= 1.98 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg}$$

Due to 10,000-time dilution, prednisolone

$$= 1.98 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg} \times 10,000$$

$$= 19.84 \text{ mg}$$

$$= 1.98 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}$$

### Calculation of the entrapped drug in the complex

An example of sat-coated particle is shown. Total volume of indomethacin-loaded particles = 6.00 ml

0.50 ml was taken and the particles were precipitated with 1.00 ml EtOH:THF solution; total volume = 1.50 ml

0.10 ml was taken and diluted 100 folds.

0.20 ml was then taken for UV measurement.

The observed concentration from UV was 13.75 ppm.

The indomethacin solution 1,000 ml contains indomethacin = 13.75 mg

$$\text{The indomethacin solution 0.20 ml contains indomethacin} = \frac{(13.75 \text{ mg})(0.20 \text{ ml})}{1000 \text{ ml}}$$



Due to 100-time dilution, indomethacin

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg} \\ &= 2.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg} \times 100 \\ &= 0.27 \text{ mg} \end{aligned}$$

A solution 0.10 ml contains indomethacin

$$= 0.27 \text{ mg}$$

The total volume 6.00 ml contains indomethacin

$$= \frac{(0.27 \text{ mg})(6.00 \text{ ml})}{0.1 \text{ ml}}$$

$$= 16.50 \text{ mg}$$

$$= 1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}$$

From the above equation:

$$\%EE = \frac{1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}}{1.98 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}} \times 100 = 83.33 \%w/w$$



### Calculation of drug (indomethacin) loading efficiency (%DLE)

Drug (indomethacin) loading efficiency (%DLE) was determined from the following equation:

$$\% \text{Drug Loading Efficiency (\%DLE)} = \frac{\text{Weight of entrapped drug in the complex}}{\text{Weight of nanoparticles}}$$

### Calculation of the weight of the complex

According to AAS measurement, the sat-coated particle contains  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  nanoparticles about 0.021 % wt/v.

$$\text{Solution contains } \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 \text{ nanoparticles} = 2.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}$$

Calculation of the entrapped indomethacin was illustrated in the above example of %EE. The value was  $1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}$  of the loaded indomethacin.

Thus,

$$\% \text{DLE} = \frac{(1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g})(100)}{2.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}} = 78.57 \% \text{ w/w}$$

### Calculation of drug (indomethacin) release efficiency (%drug release)

#### Calculation of the entrapped drug in the complex

According to the entrapped drug in the complex, the sat-coated particle in water 5.00 ml contains drug about  $1.65 \times 10^{-2}$  g. A 5.00 ml from the entrapped drug in the complex was dialyzed in a phosphate buffer solution pH 7.45

#### Calculation of drug (indomethacin) releasing efficiency (%drug release)

A 5.00 ml from the drug loaded solution was dialyzed in a 300.00 ml phosphate buffer solution pH 7.45.

A 5.00 ml from 300.00 ml solution was collected.

A 0.20 ml from the collected was diluted 2 times

0.20 ml was then taken for UV measurement.

The observed concentration from UV was 12.64 ppm.

The concentration analyzed at the ending hour.

The indomethacin solution 1,000 ml contains indomethacin = 12.64 mg

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The indomethacin solution 0.20 ml contains indomethacin} &= \frac{(12.64 \text{ mg})(0.20 \text{ ml})}{1000.00 \text{ ml}} \\ &= 2.53 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Due to 2-time dilution, indomethacin} &= 2.53 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg} \times 2 \\ &= 5.05 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{A solution 0.20 ml contains indomethacin} = 5.05 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, a solution 5.00 ml contains indomethacin} &= \frac{(5.05 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg})(5.00 \text{ ml})}{0.20 \text{ ml}} \\ &= 1.26 \times 10^{-1} \text{ mg} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{A solution } 300.00 \text{ ml contains drug matter} &= \frac{(1.26 \times 10^{-1} \text{ mg})(300 \text{ ml})}{5.00 \text{ ml}} \\ &= 7.58 \text{ mg} \\ \text{or} &= 7.58 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g}\end{aligned}$$

Calculation of the entrapped indomethacin was illustrated in the above example of %EE. The value was  $1.65 \times 10^{-2}$  g of the loaded indomethacin.

Thus, the %drug release is.

$$\begin{aligned}\% \text{ Drug Release} &= \frac{(7.58 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g}) \times (100)}{1.65 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g}} \\ &= 45.93 \% \text{w/w}\end{aligned}$$

APPENDIX B Spectra FT-IR of mPEG-polyester copolymers

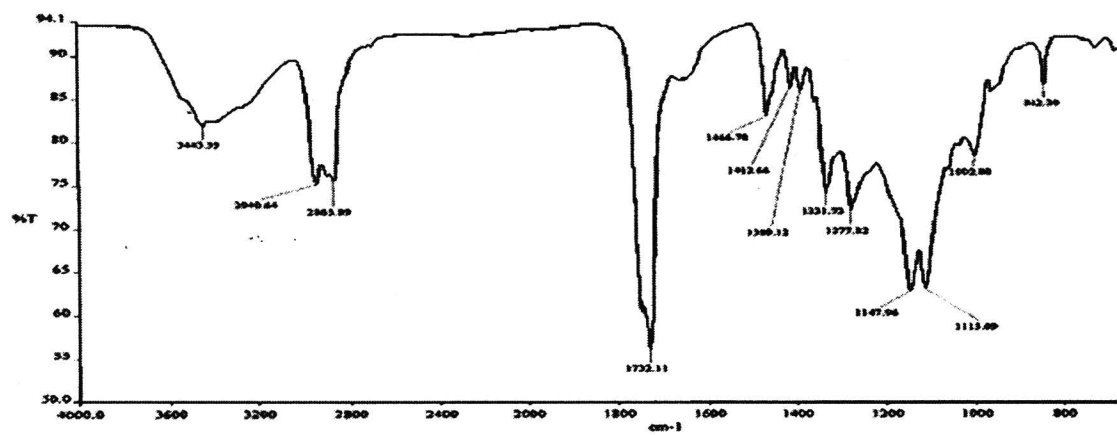


Figure 51 FT-IR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Ma/He/M2

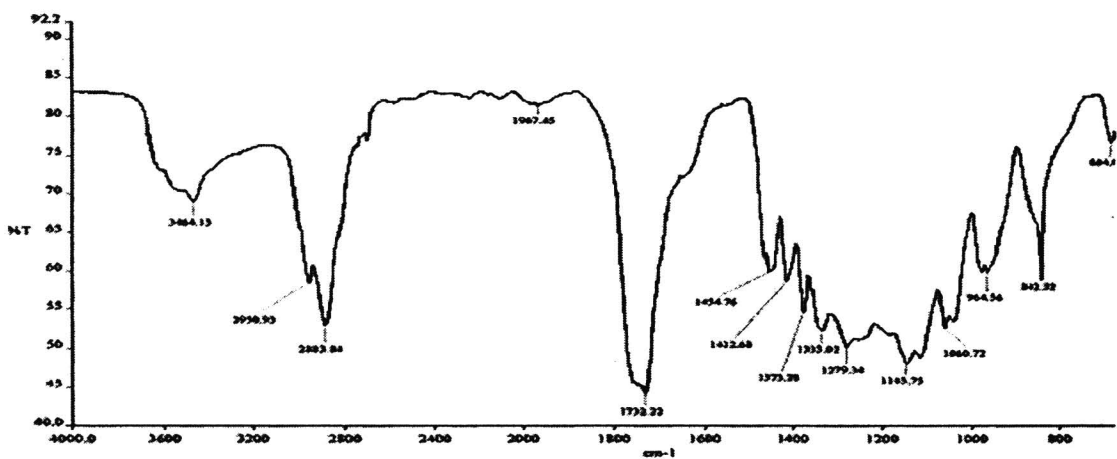


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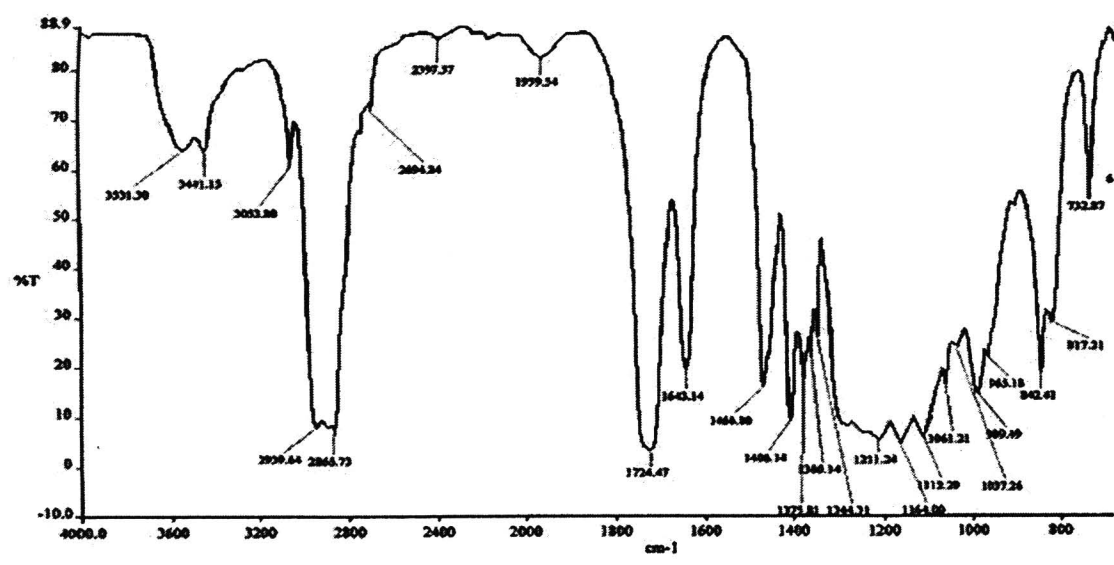


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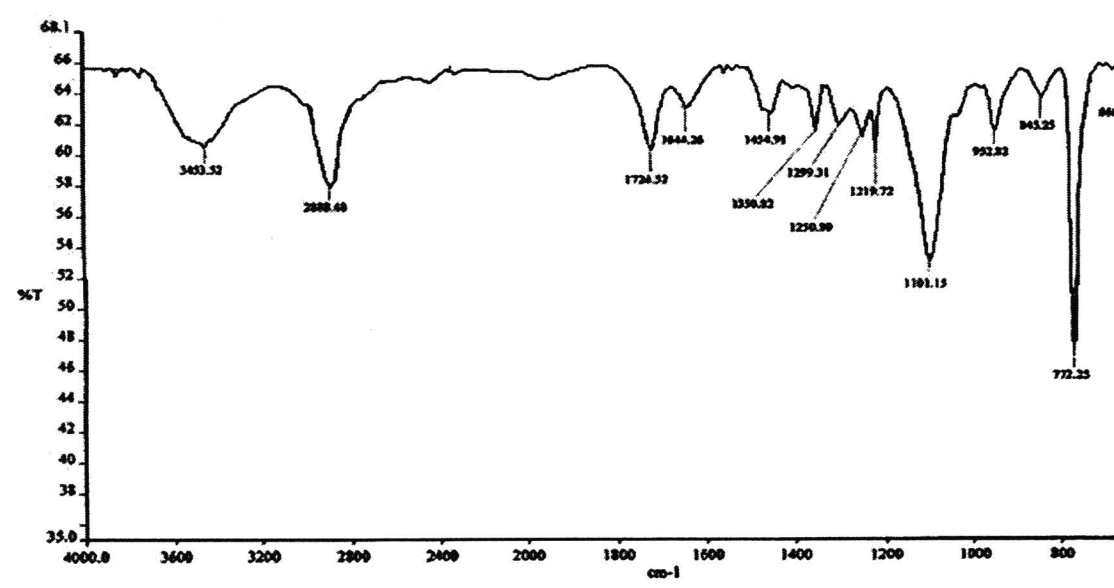


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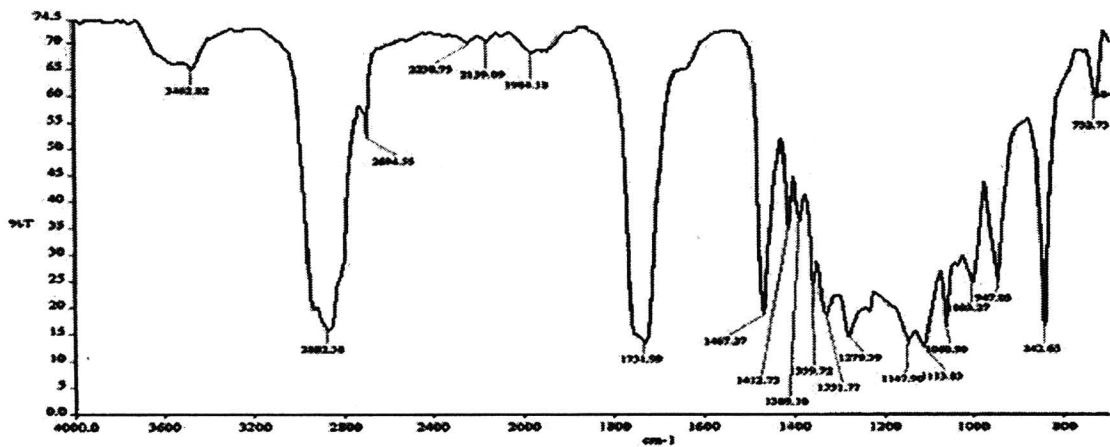


Figure 55 FT-IR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Ma/He/M5

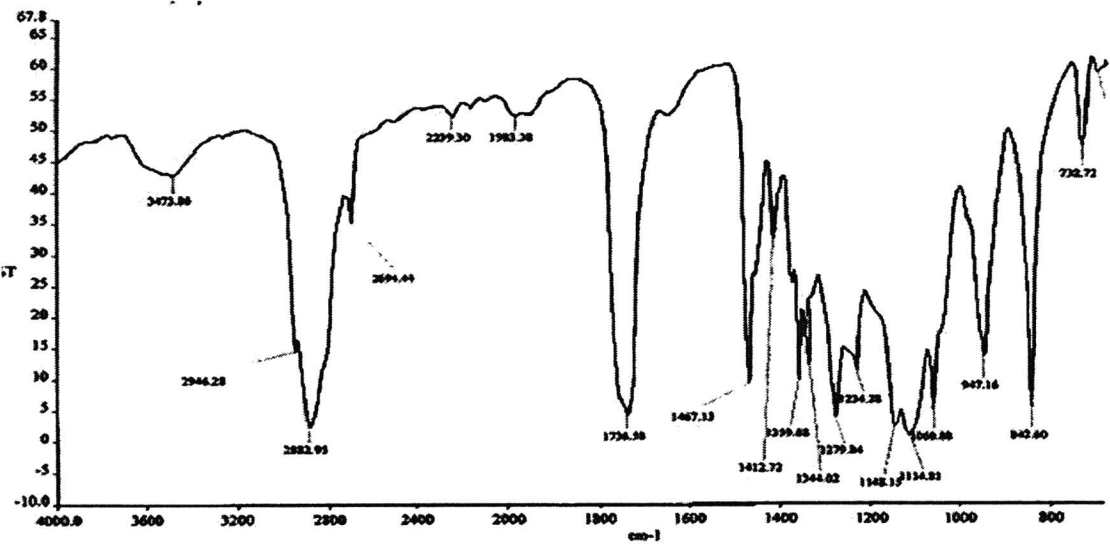


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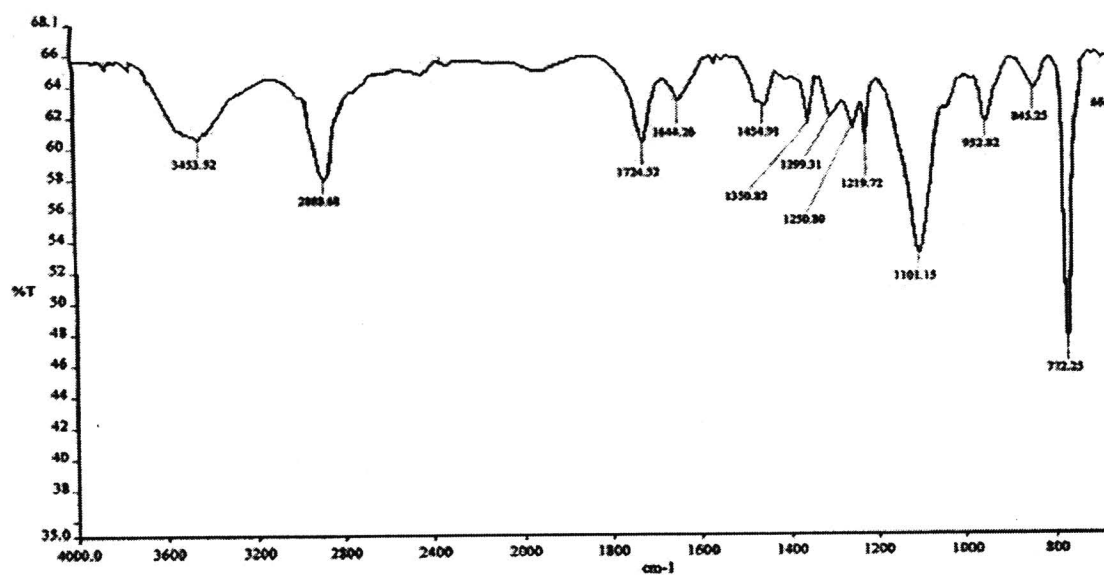


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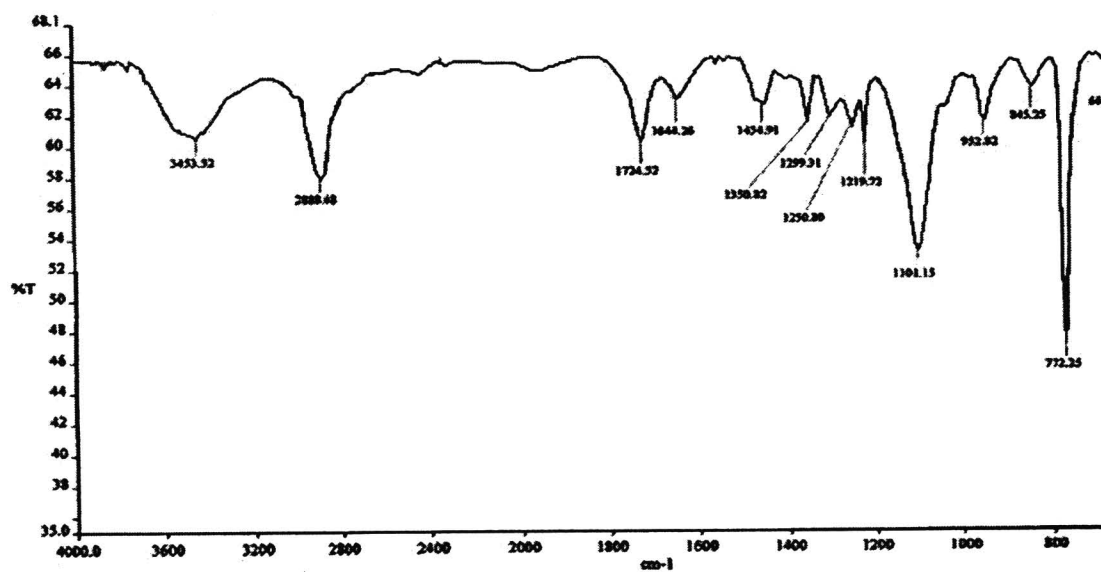


Figure 58 FT-IR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Me/Et/M5

Spectra  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of mPEG-polyester copolymer

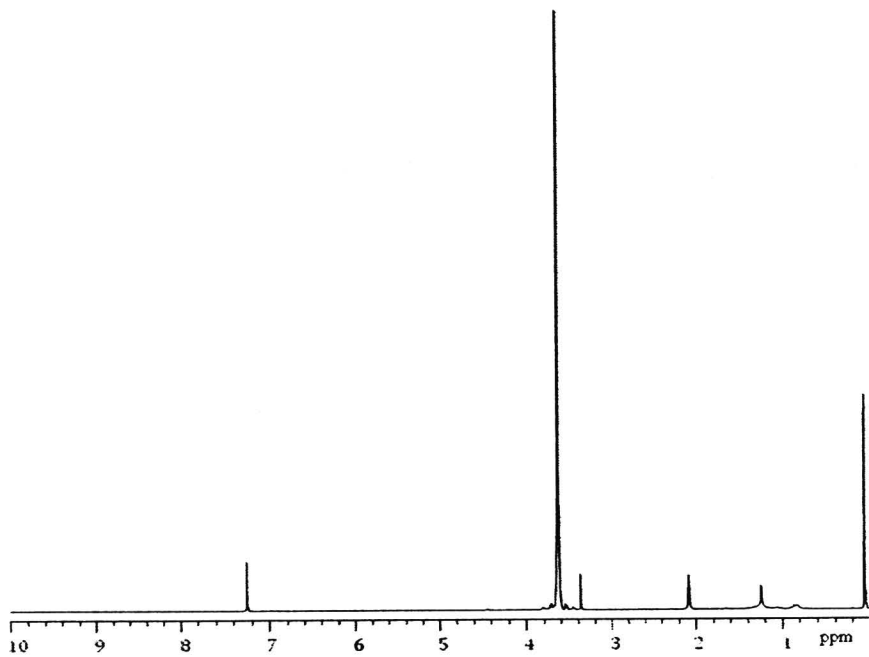


Figure 59  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG 2K

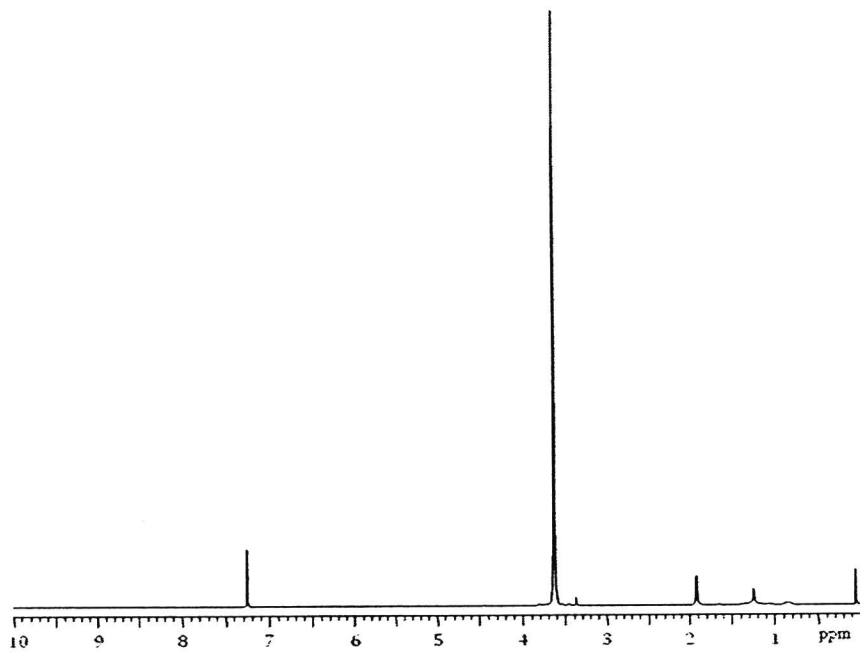
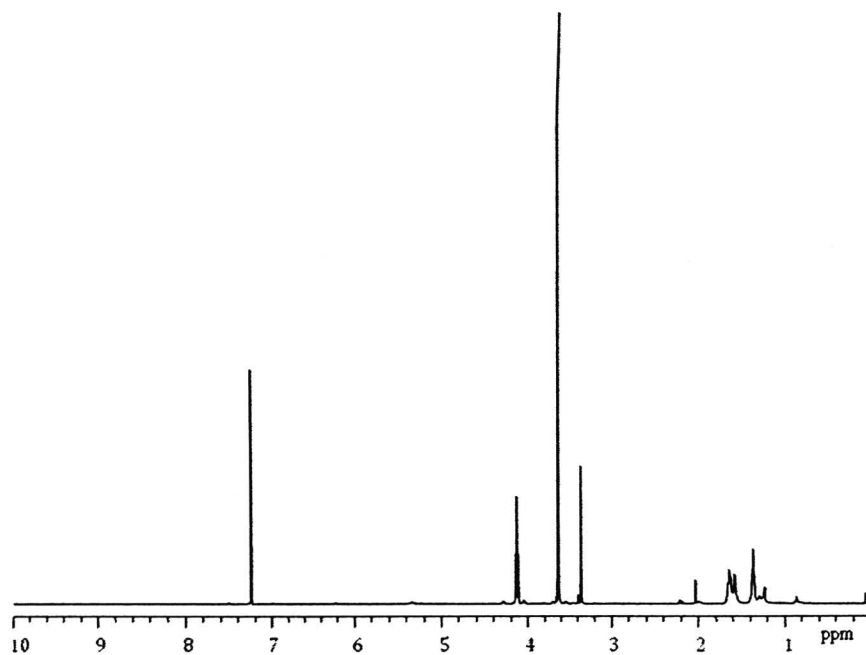
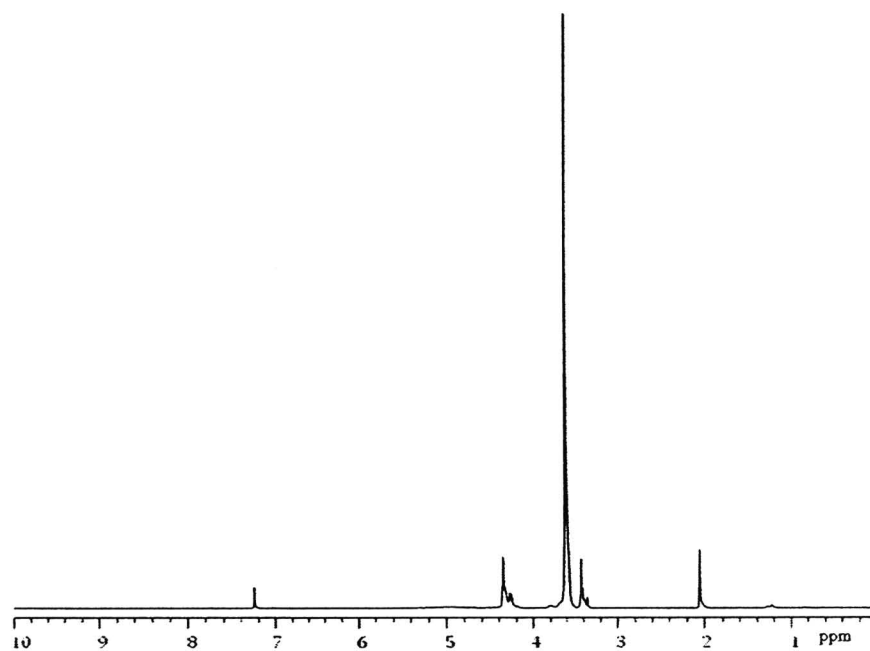


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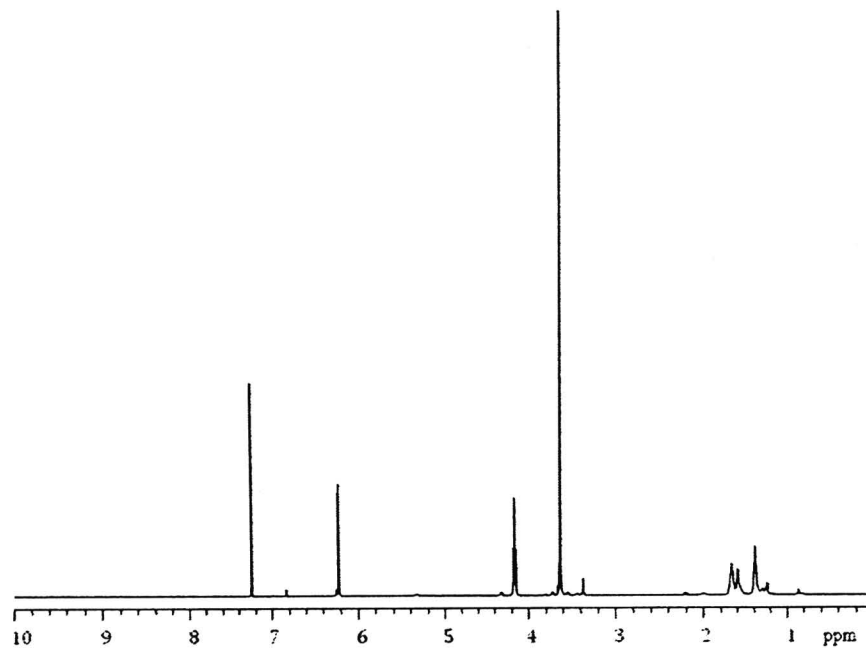




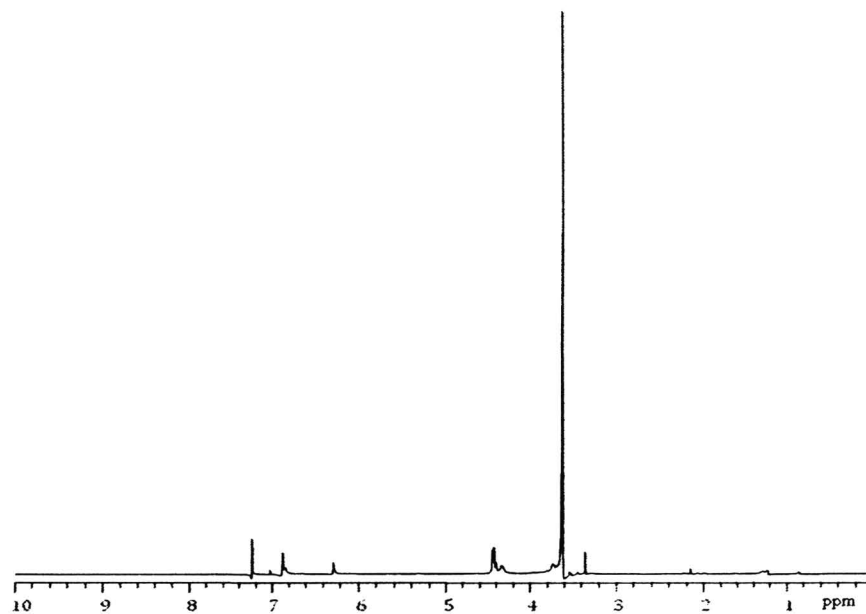
**Figure 61**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG-polyestercopolymer Ma/He/M2



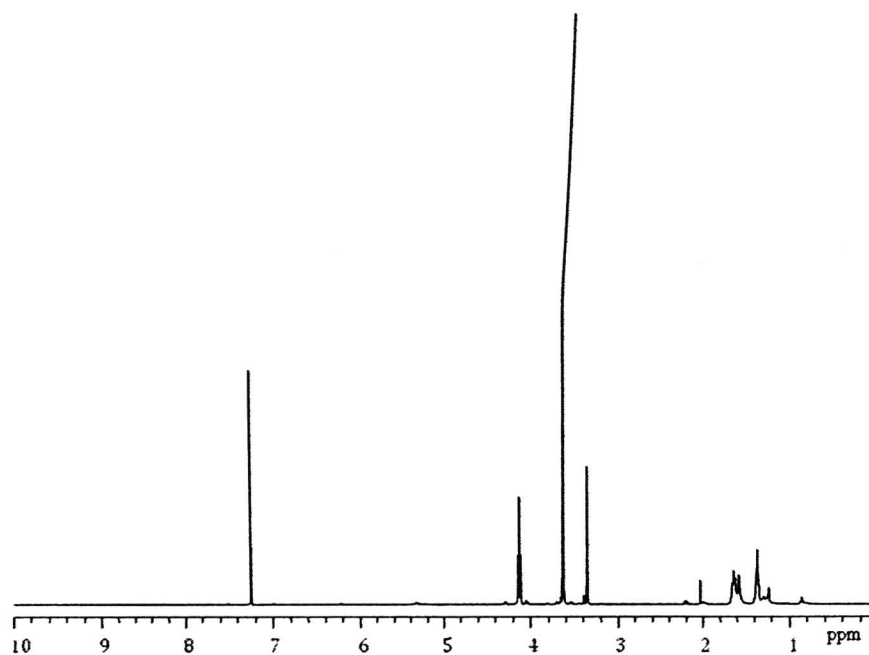
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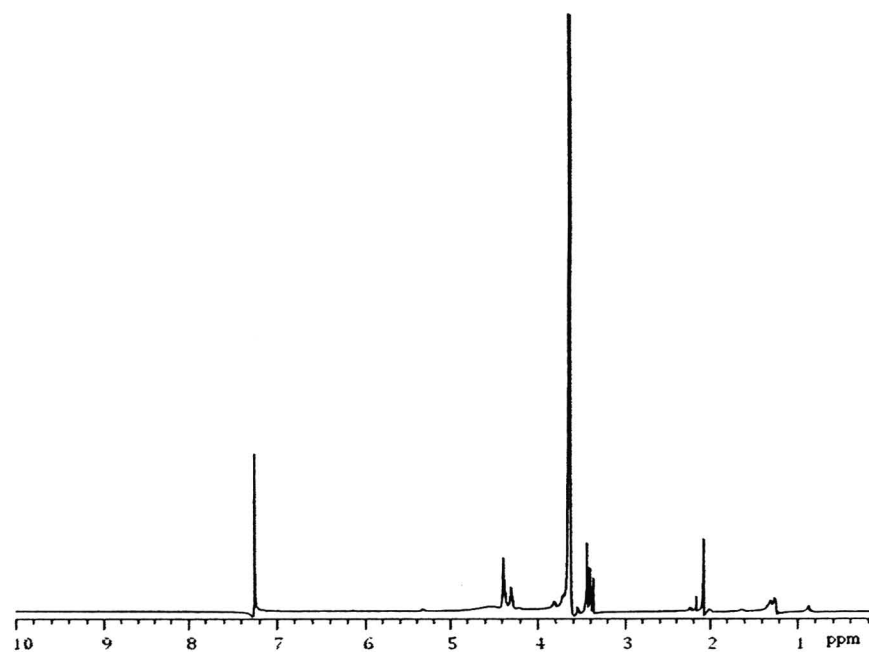
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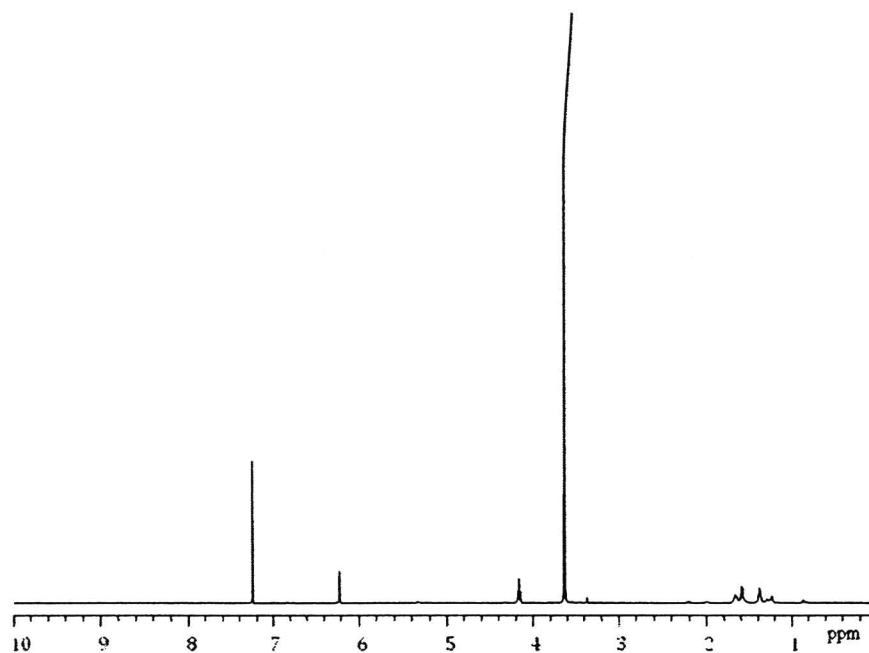
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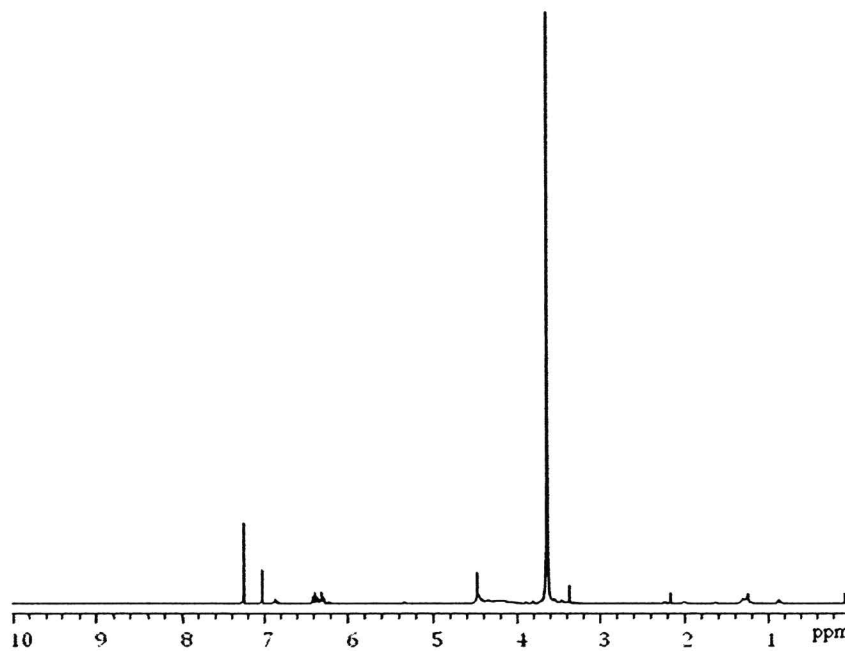
**Figure 65**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Ma/He/M5



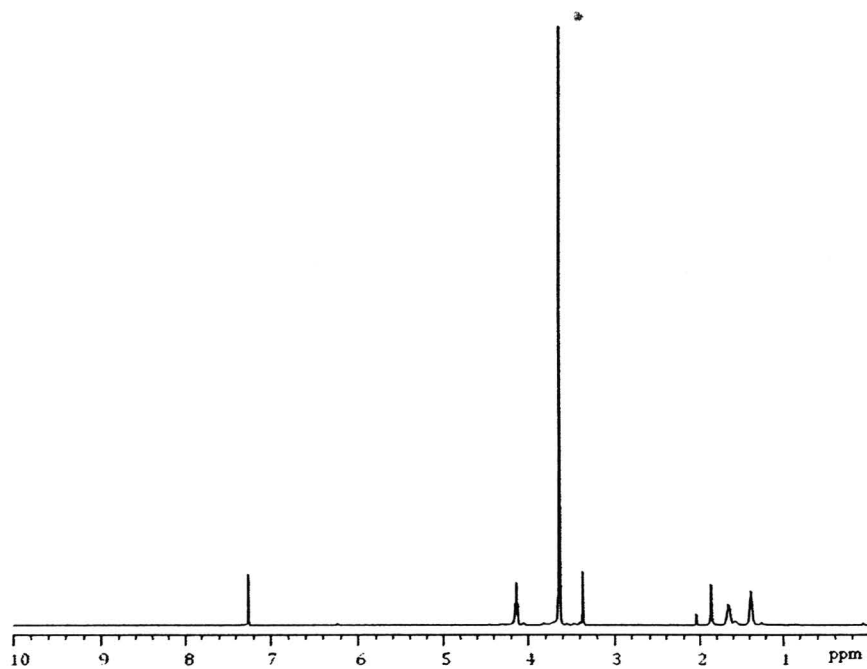
**Figure 66**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Ma/Et/M5



**Figure 67**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Me/He/M5



**Figure 68**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer Me/Et/M5



**Figure 69**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of mPEG-polyester copolymer unsat-coated particle

Calibration curve of Indomethacin

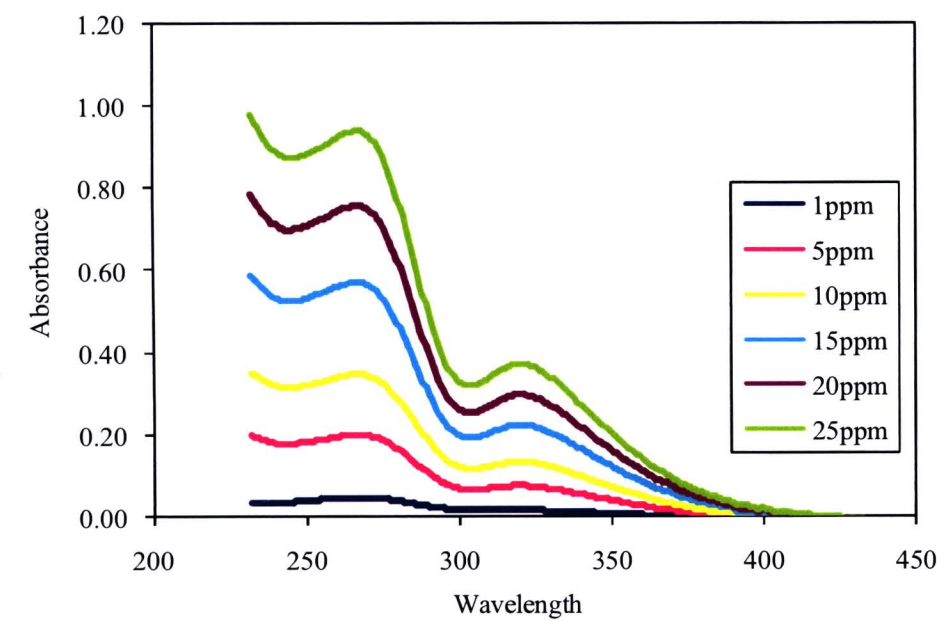


Figure 70 UV spectra of Indomethacin

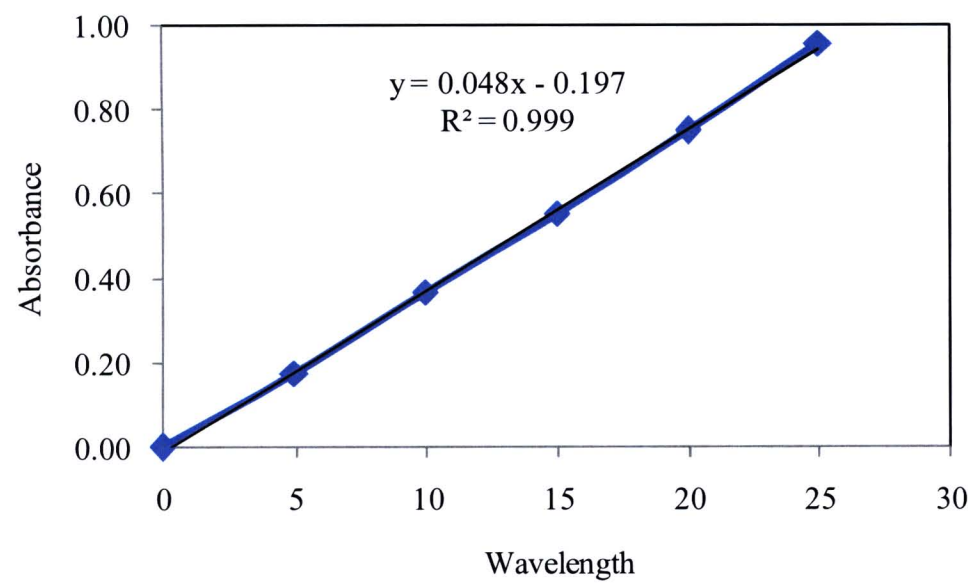


Figure 71 calibration curve of Indomethacin

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