

Supporting Information

**Polypeptides with Quaternary Phosphonium Side Chains: Synthesis,
Characterization, and Cell-Penetrating Properties**

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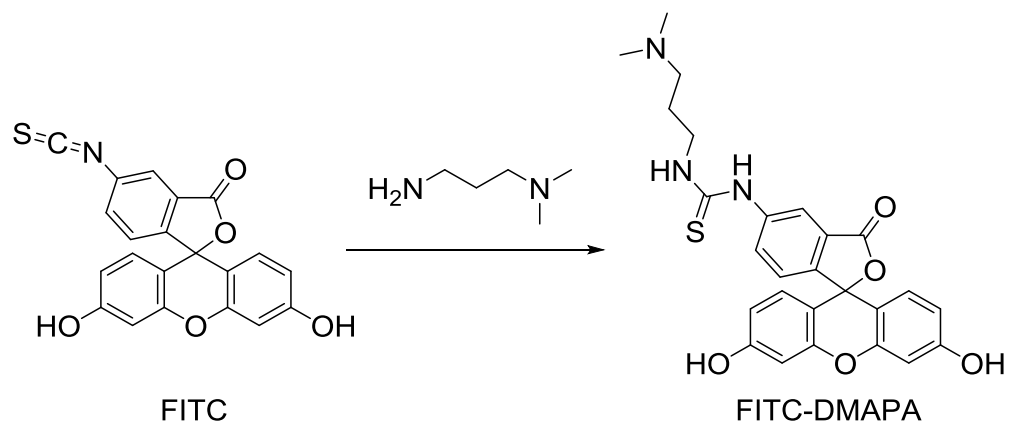
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Table S1. Synthesis of polypeptides with chloroalkyl side chains^a

entry	monomer	M/I	M_n (M_n^*) ^{b,c} (kDa)	M_w/M_n^c
1	CP-L-Glu-NCA	40/1	8.1 (8.2)	1.02
2	CH-L-Glu-NCA	40/1	10.0 (9.9)	1.02
3	CH-DL-Glu-NCA	40/1	9.7 (9.9)	1.10

^a Polymerizations were carried out at room temperature for 48 h. Monomer conversions were all above 99% as indicated by FTIR. ^b Obtained MW (expected MW). ^c Determined by GPC.



Scheme S1. Synthesis of fluorescein-functionalized tertiary amine (FITC-DMAPA).

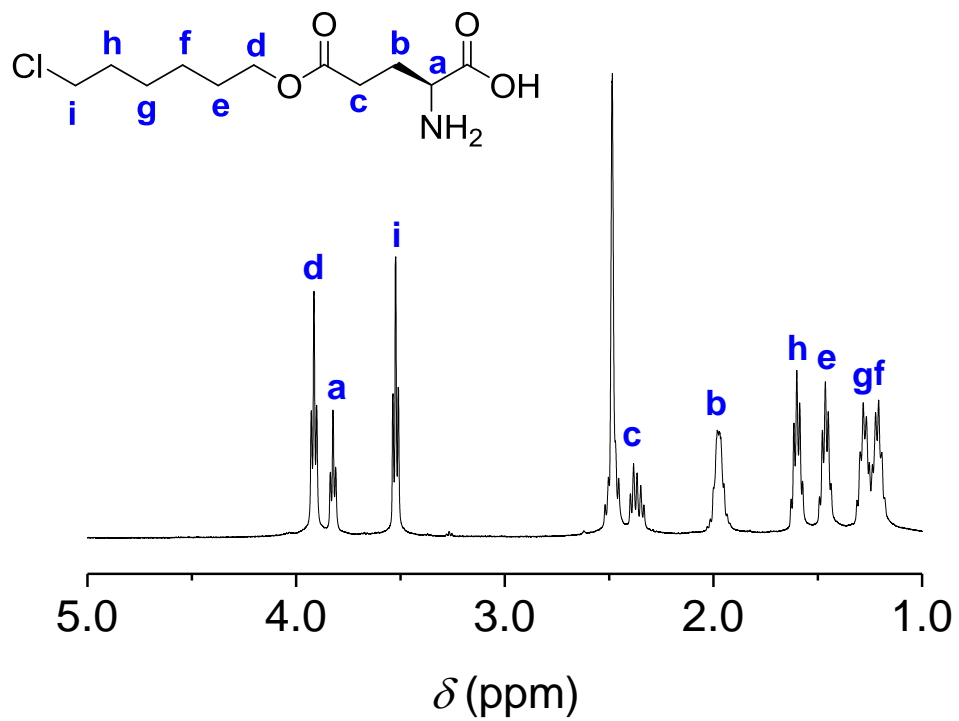


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of CH-L-Glu in DMSO-*d*₆/D₂O-DCl (9:1, v/v).

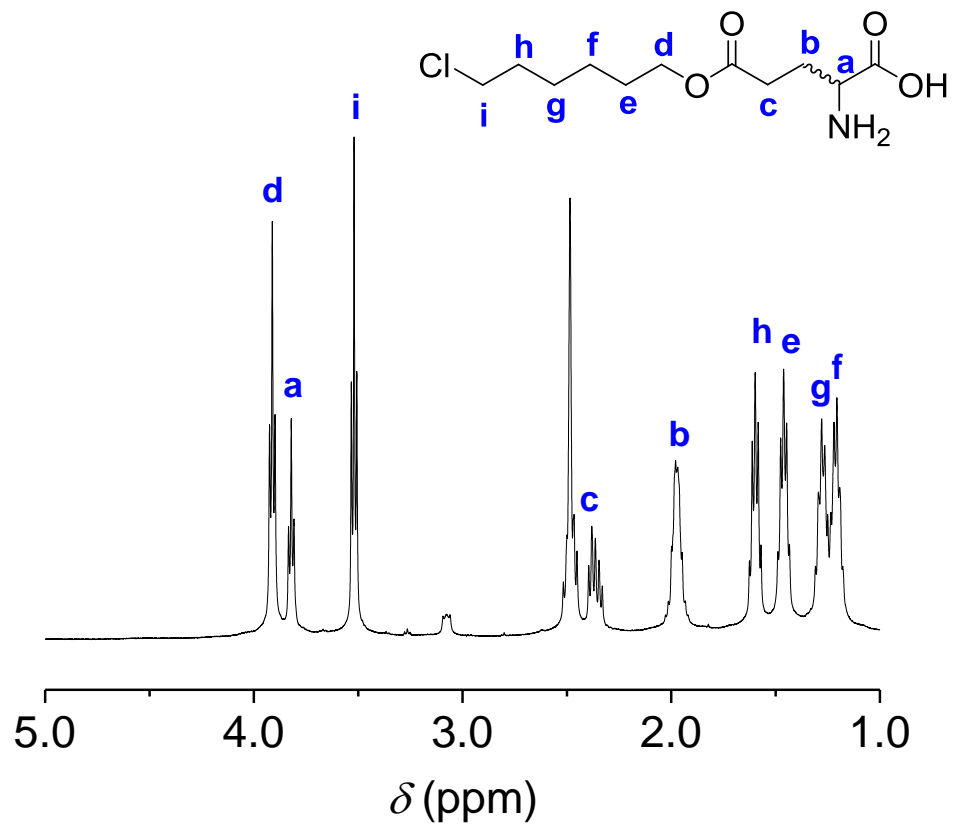


Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectrum of CH-DL-Glu in DMSO-*d*₆/D₂O-DCl (9:1, v/v).

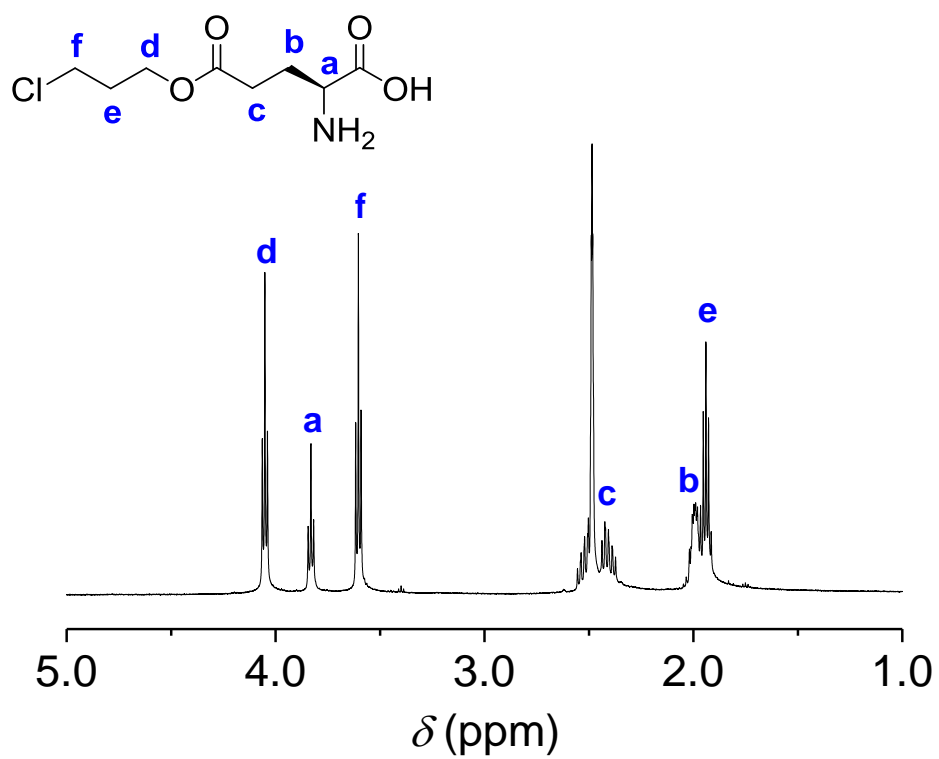


Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of CP-L-Glu in DMSO-*d*₆/D₂O-DCI (9:1, v/v).

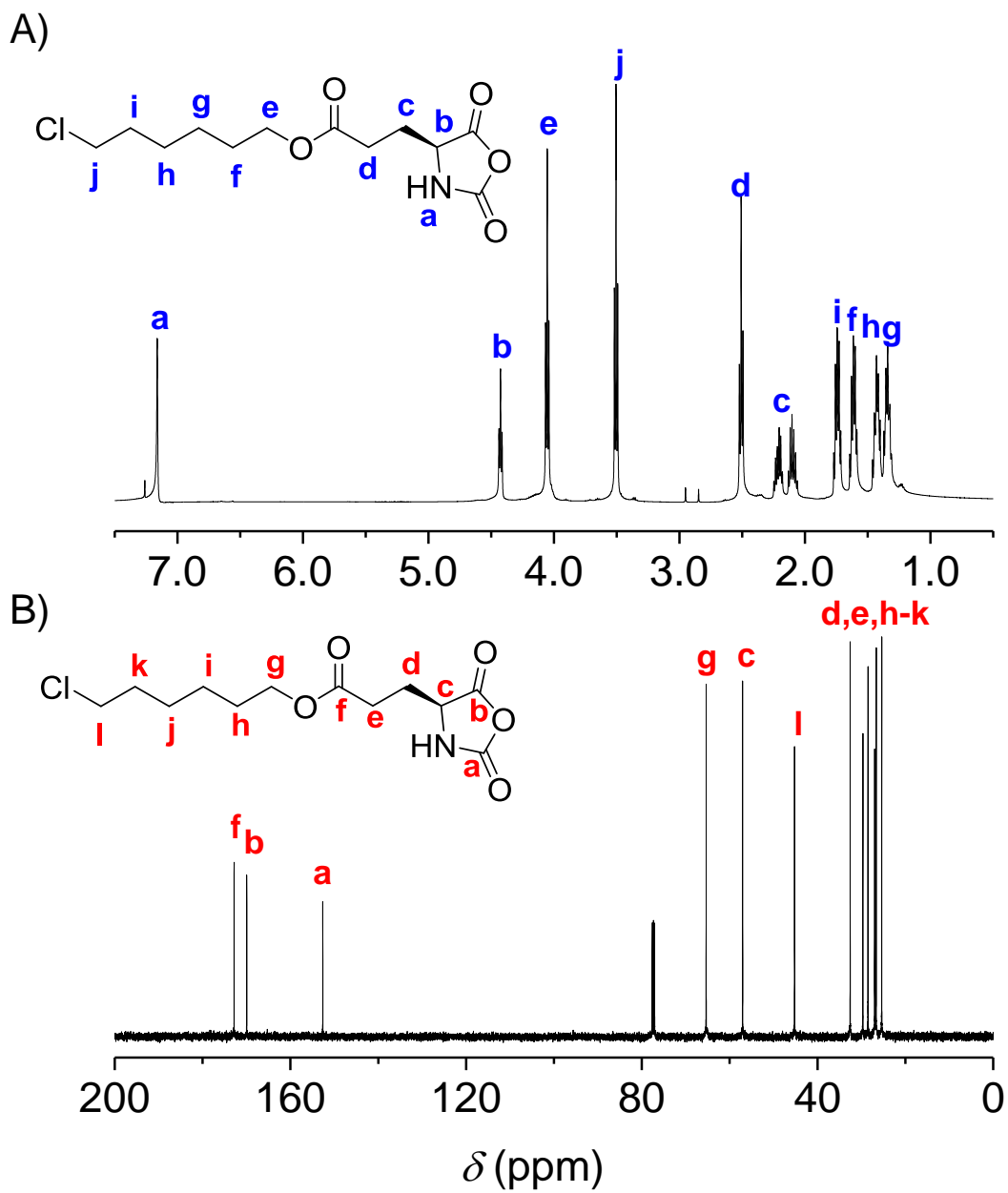


Figure S4. ^1H (A) and ^{13}C (B) NMR spectra of CH-L-Glu-NCA in CDCl_3 .

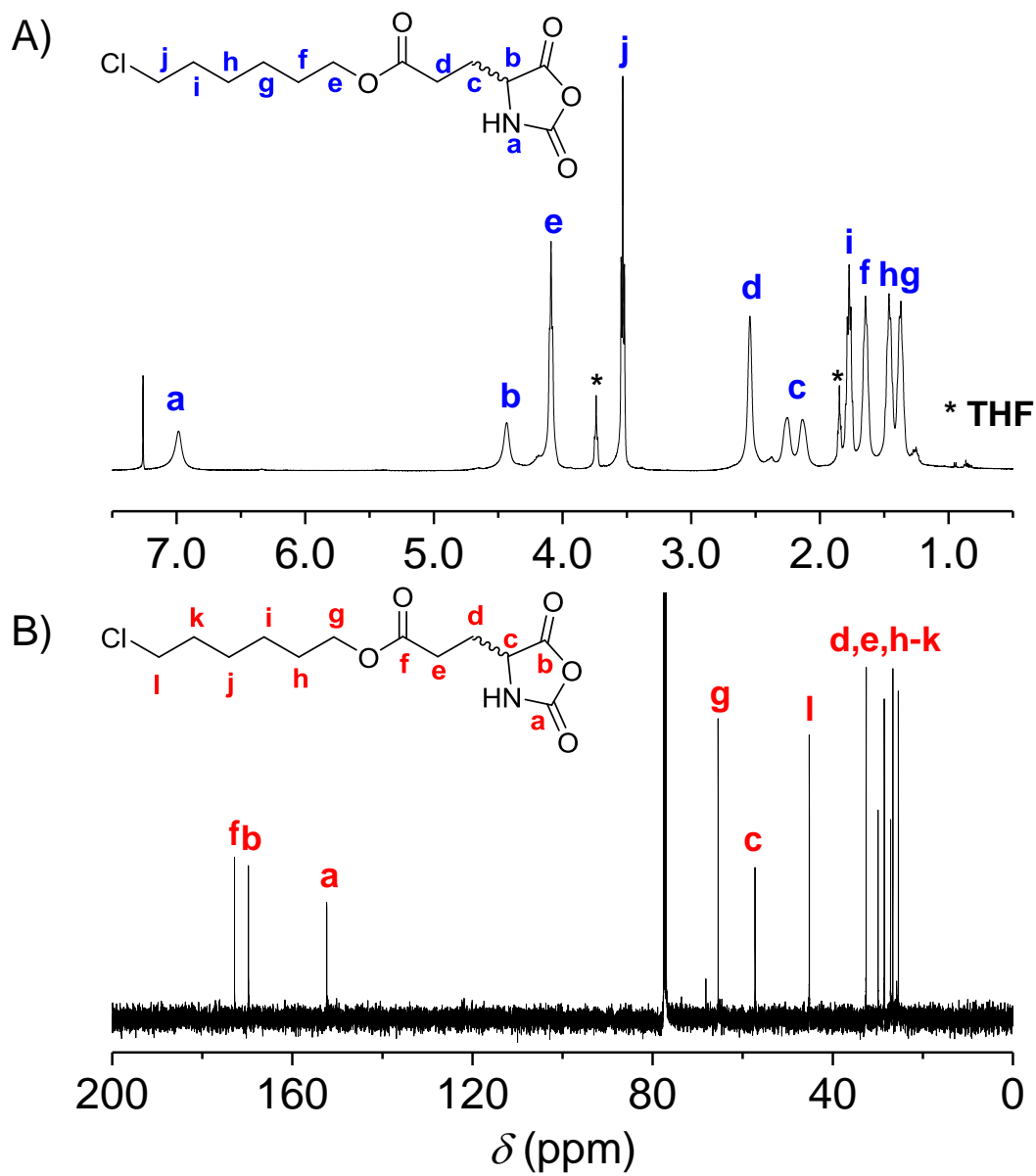


Figure S5. ^1H (A) and ^{13}C (B) NMR spectra of CH-DL-Glu-NCA in CDCl_3 .

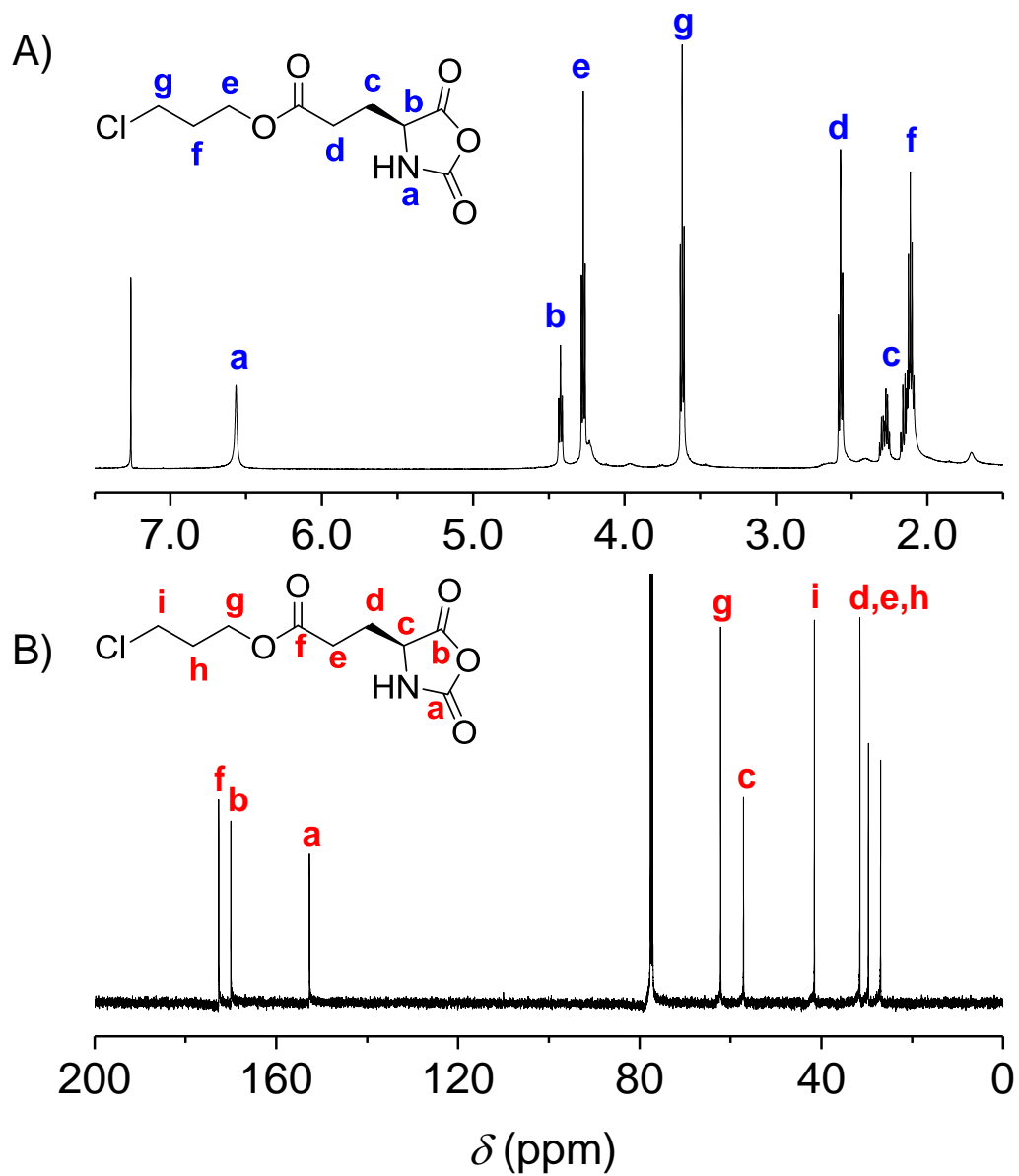


Figure S6. ^1H (A) and ^{13}C (B) NMR spectra of CP-L-Glu-NCA in CDCl_3 .

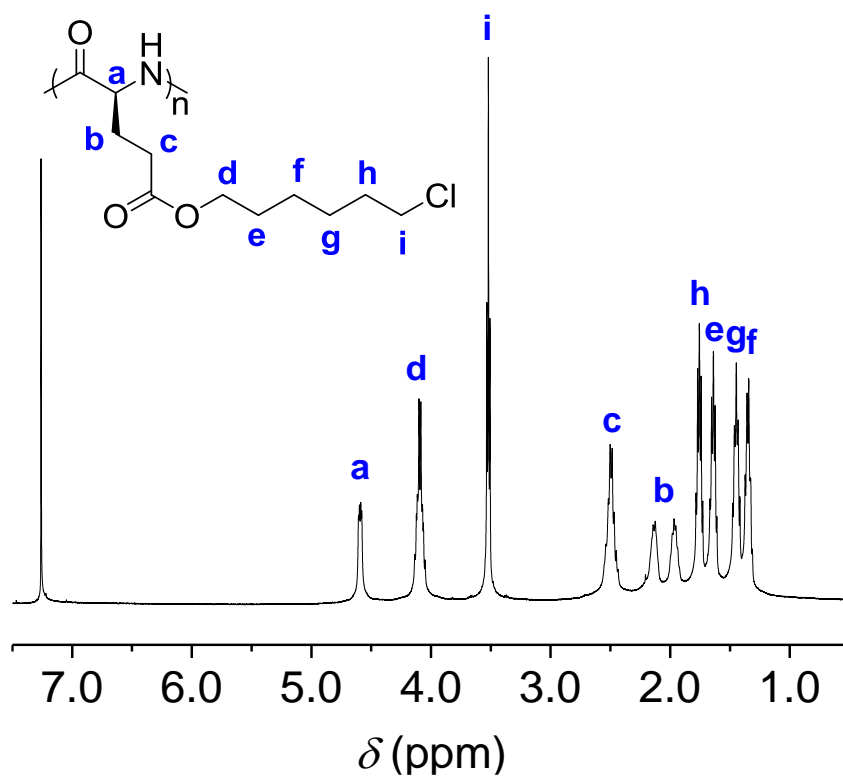


Figure S7. ^1H NMR spectrum of PCHLG in $\text{CDCl}_3/\text{TFA-}d$ (85:15, v/v).

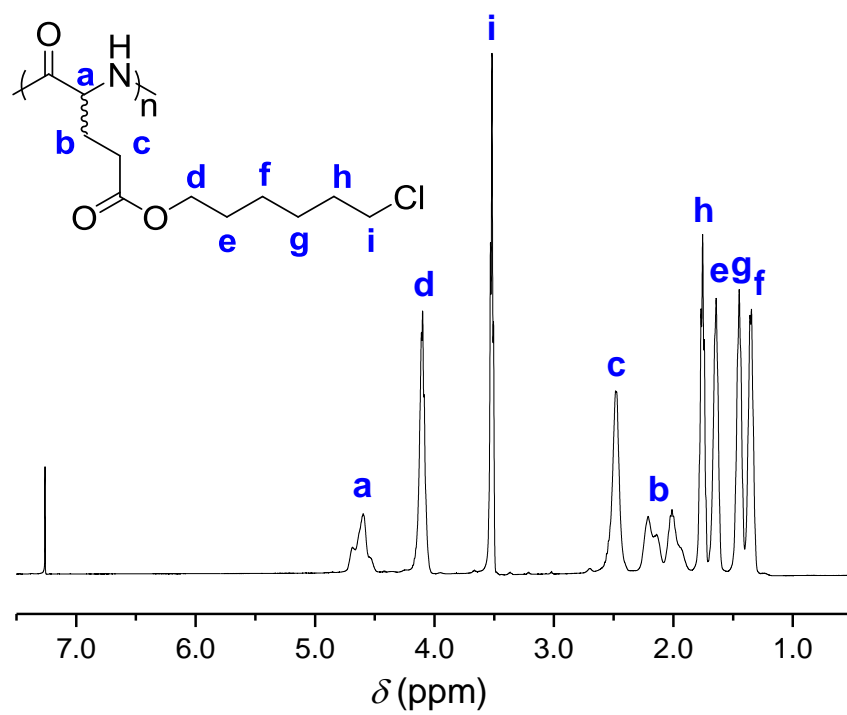


Figure S8. ¹H NMR spectrum of PCHDLG in CDCl₃/TFA-*d* (85:15, v/v).

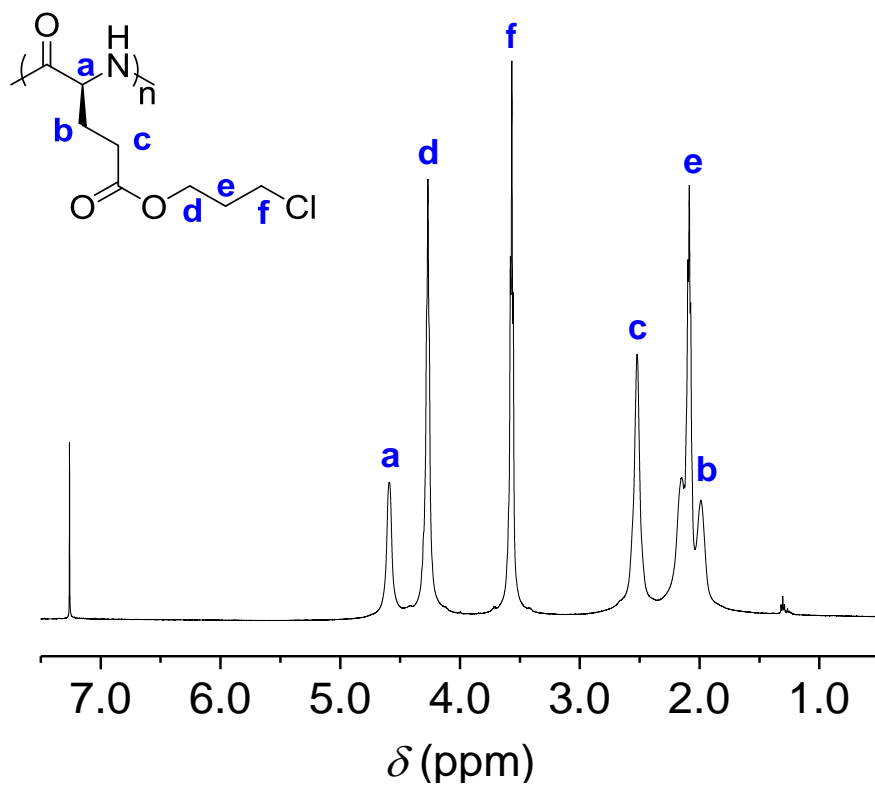


Figure S9. ¹H NMR spectrum of PCPLG in CDCl₃/TFA-*d* (85:15, v/v).

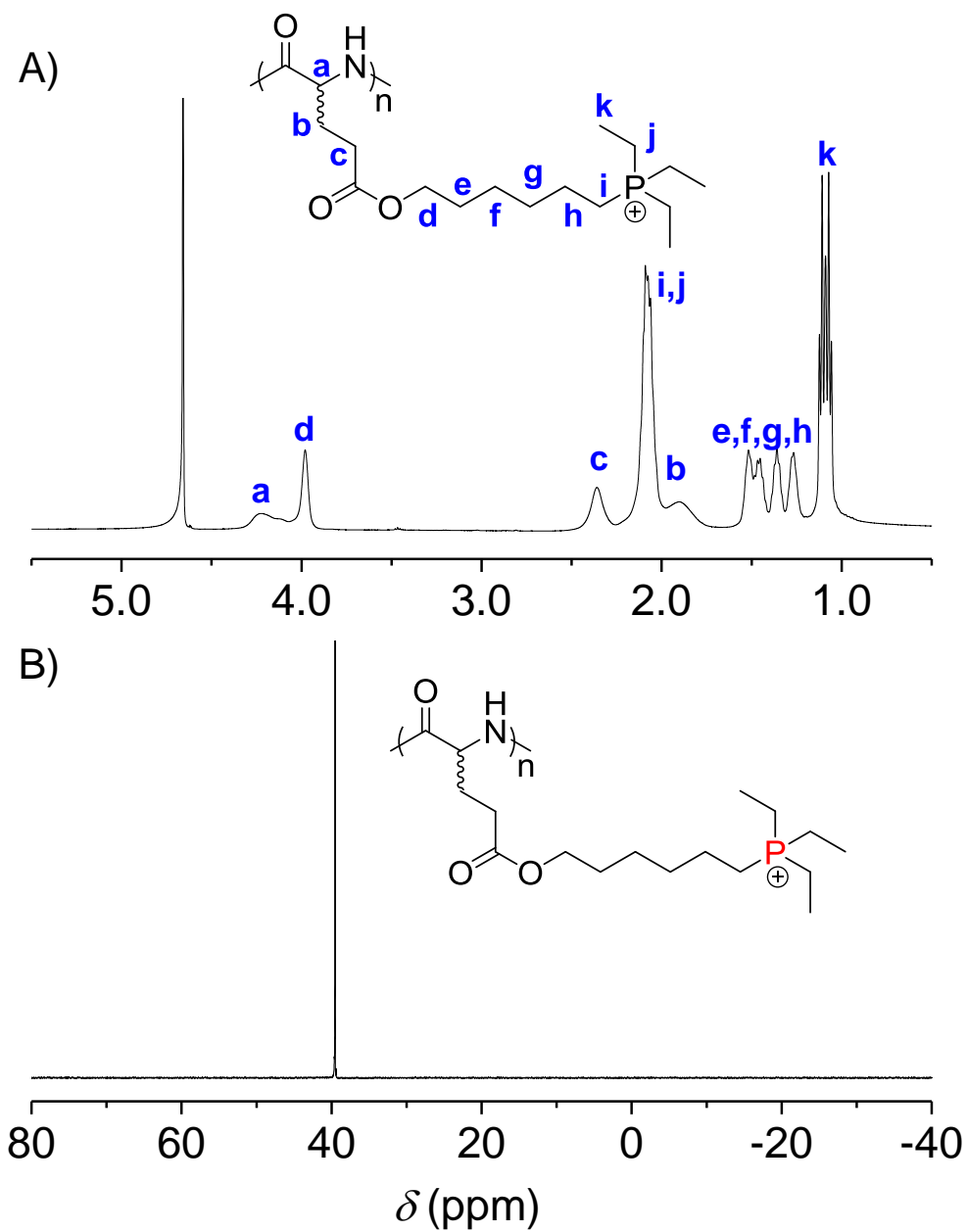


Figure S10. ^1H (A) and ^{31}P (B) NMR spectra of PHDLG-TEP in D_2O .

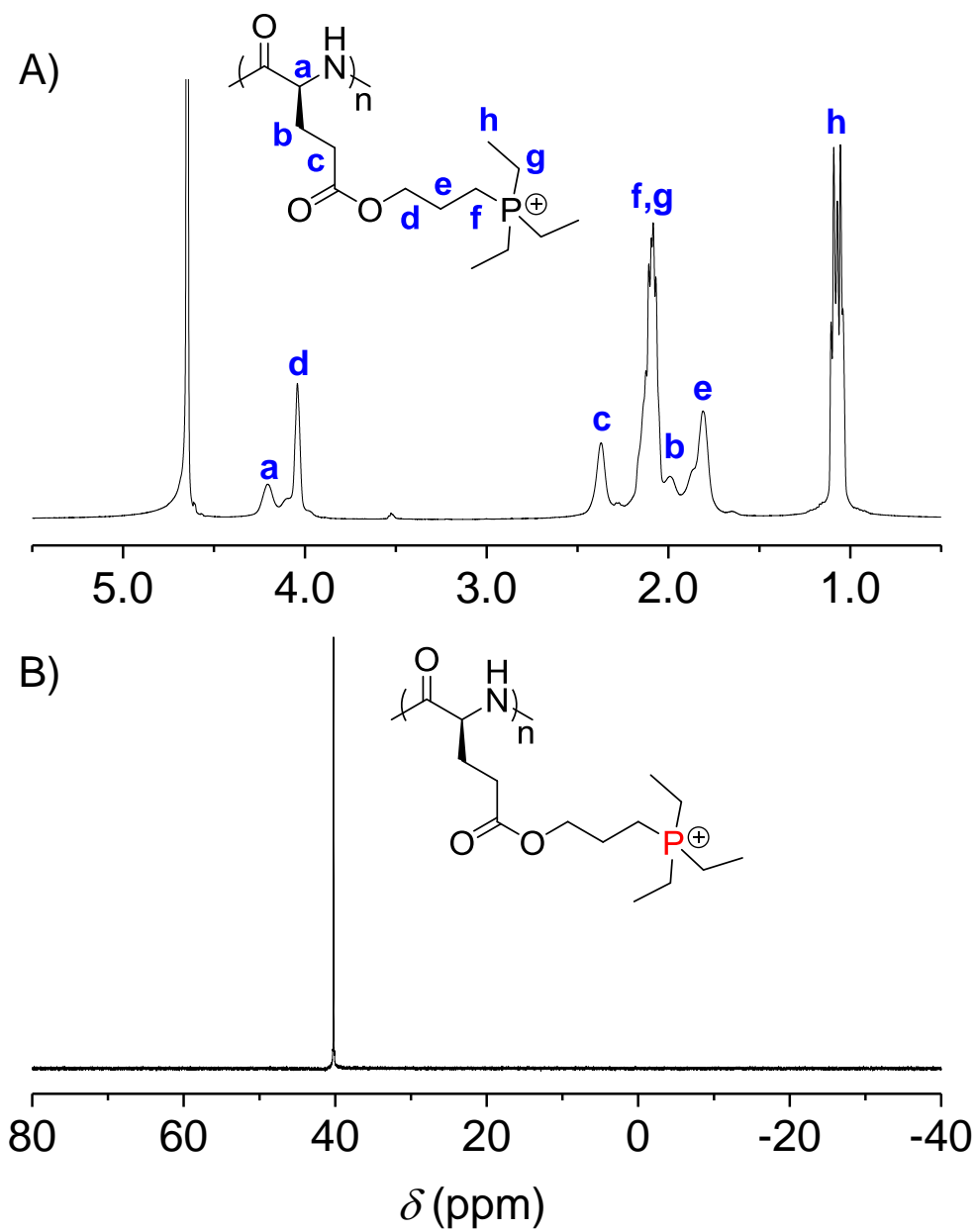


Figure S11. ^1H (A) and ^{31}P (B) NMR spectra of PPLG-TEP in D_2O .

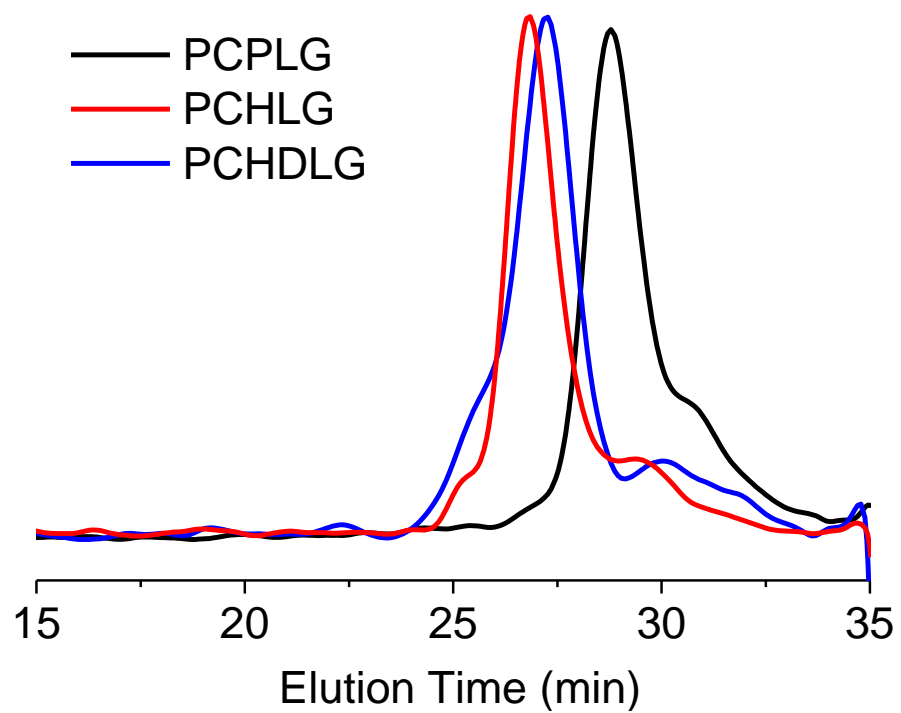


Figure S12. GPC traces of polypeptides with chloroalkyl side chains.

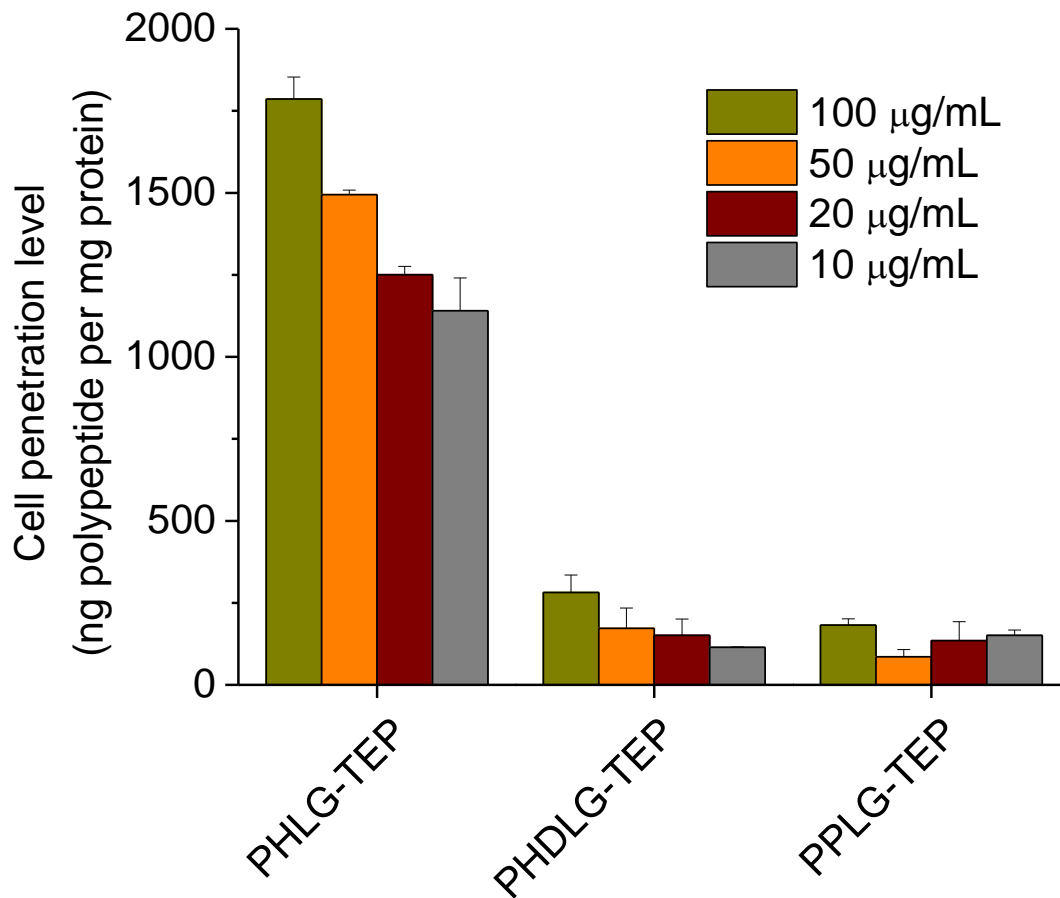


Figure S13. Uptake level of fluorescein-labeled polypeptides in HeLa cells at different polypeptide concentrations (n = 3). The incubation time was maintained constant at 2 h.

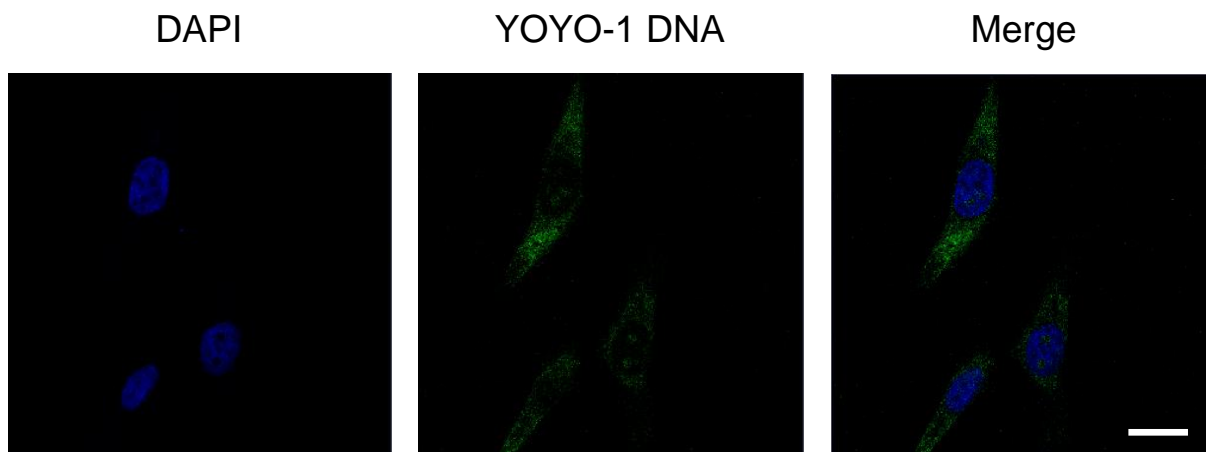


Figure S14. CLSM images of HeLa cells incubated with PHLG-TEP and YOYO-1-labeled DNA complex at 37 °C for 4 h (bar = 20 μm).