



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO
**Aromatic polyesters with photosensitive side chains:
Synthesis, characterization and properties**

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ANALYTICAL AND SPECTRAL DATA FOR 1, 2 AND PE4b

2-Bromoethyl cinnamate (1). Yield: 69 %; FTIR (thin film on KBr, cm^{-1}): 3071 and 3029 (aromatic C–H stretching), 2952, 2887 and 730 (aliphatic C–H stretching), 1711 (C=O stretching), 1637 (vinylene C=C stretching), 1586, 1502 and 1453 (aromatic C=C in-plane stretching), 1301 and 1003 (aromatic ring modes), 1289 (CH₂–Br stretching), 1227 (asymmetrical C–O–C stretching), 1163 (symmetrical C–O–C stretching), 1097 (O–CH₂–C stretching), 986 (*trans*-vinylene =C–H deformation), 867, 779 and 704 (=C–H out-of-plane bending of the aromatic ring), 652 (C–Br stretching); ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ / ppm): 7.73 (1H, *d*, J = 16.0 Hz, CH=CH–Ph), 7.55 (2H, *m*, H2 and H6), 7.38 (3H, *m*, H3, H4 and H5), 6.46 (1H, *d*, J = 16.0 Hz, –OC–CH=CH–), 4.51 (2H, *t*, J = 6.2 Hz, –O–CH₂–), 3.60 (2H, *t*, J = 6.2 Hz, Br–CH₂–); ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, δ / ppm): 166.35 (C=O), 145.76 (C β), 134.17 (C1), 130.52 (C4), 128.96 (C3), 128.12 (C2), 117.24 (C α), 63.84 (C–O), 28.78 (C–Br).

2-(Cinnamoyloxy)ethyl-3,5-dihydroxybenzoate (2). Yield: 78 %; Anal. Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆O₆: C, 65.85; H, 4.91; O, 29.24 %. Found: C, 65.96; H, 4.98; O, 29.06 %; FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3389 (–OH stretching), 3017–3098 (aromatic C–H stretching), 2849–2925 (aliphatic C–H stretching), 1727 (C=O stretching), 1635 (vinylene C=C stretching), 1581, 1497 and 1465 (aromatic C=C in-plane stretching), 1305 (aromatic ring mode), 1229 (asymmetrical C–O–C stretching), 1165 (symmetrical C–O–C stretching), 1097 (O–CH₂–C stretching), 1028 and 853 (aromatic trisubstituted), 860, 772 and 693 (aromatic =C–H out-of-plane bending), 980 cm^{-1} (*trans*-vinylene); ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, δ / ppm): 8.89 (2H, *brs*, OH), 7.71 (1H, *d*, J = 15.9 Hz, CH=CH–Ph), 7.57 (2H, *m*, H2 and H6), 7.40 (3H, *m*, H3, H4 and H5), 7.06 (2H, *d*, J = 2.9 Hz, H2 and H6 of α -resorcylic

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acid), 6.68 (1H, *s*, $J = 2.9$ Hz, H4 of α -resorcylic acid), 6.45 (1H, *d*, $J = 15.9$ Hz, OC-CH=CH-), 4.52 (4H, *m*, $2 \times -\text{CH}_2-$); $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ / ppm): 166.75 (C=O, aliphatic), 165.90 (C=O, aromatic), 158.91 (C3, α -resorcylic acid), 145.21 (C β), 134.82 (C1), 131.08 (C1, α -resorcylic acid), 130.63 (C4), 129.04 (C3), 128.21 (C2), 116.94 (=C α), 109.06 (C2, α -resorcylic acid), 107.92 (C4, α -resorcylic acid), 63.86 (-C-O), 63.34 (-C-O).

PE4b. Yield 81 %; FTIR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3350–3450 (stretching of unreacted OH groups), 3057 (aromatic C-H stretching), 2932 and 2858 (asymmetrical and symmetrical aliphatic CH_2 stretching), 1740 (C=O stretching), 1639 (vinylene C=C stretching), 1601, 1510, 1465 and 1408 (aromatic C=C stretching), 1290 (aromatic ring), 1208 (asymmetrical C-O-C stretching), 1161 (C-O-C symmetrical stretching), 1102 (O- CH_2 -C stretching), 1025 and 851 (aromatic 1,3,5-trisubstituted), 978 (*trans*-vinylene C-H out-of-plane bending), 860, 772 and 693 (aromatic C-H out-of-plane bending), 730 ($-\text{CH}_2-$ bending); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ / ppm): 8.21–8.23 (2H, *d*, aromatic), 7.72–7.76 (1H, *d*, $J = 16.1$ Hz, CH=CH-Ph), 7.47–7.61 (2H, *m*, Ar), 7.35–7.45 (6H, *m*, Ar), 7.16–7.19 (2H, *d*, Ar), 6.47–6.53 (1H, *d*, $J = 16.1$ Hz, OC-CH=CH-), 4.47–4.58 (4H, *m*, $-\text{CH}_2-$); $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ / ppm): 166.58 (C=O, aliphatic), 165.37 (C=O, aromatic), 164.28 (C=O, aromatic), 161.79 (C4'), 152.14 (C3, α -resorcylic acid), 145.57 (C β), 134.69 (C1), 134.08 (C2'), 130.90 (C1, α -resorcylic acid), 130.44 (C4), 129.13 (C3), 128.26 (C2), 123.94 (C1'), 120.05 (C3'), 119.17 (C4, α -resorcylic acid), 118.26 (C2, α -resorcylic acid), 117.06 (=C α), 64.81 (-C-O), 63.27 (-C-O).