

# Supporting Information for

## All-in-One “Schizophrenic” Self-assembly of Orthogonally Tuned Thermo-responsive Diblock Copolymers

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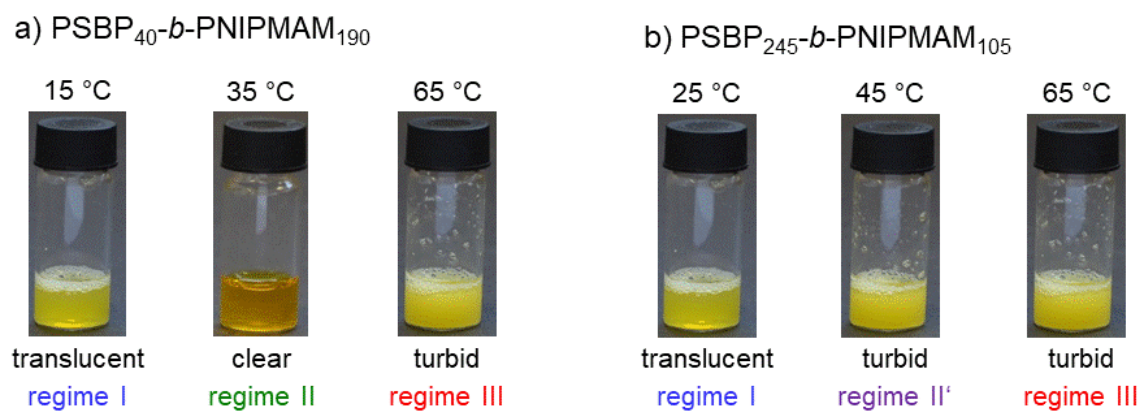
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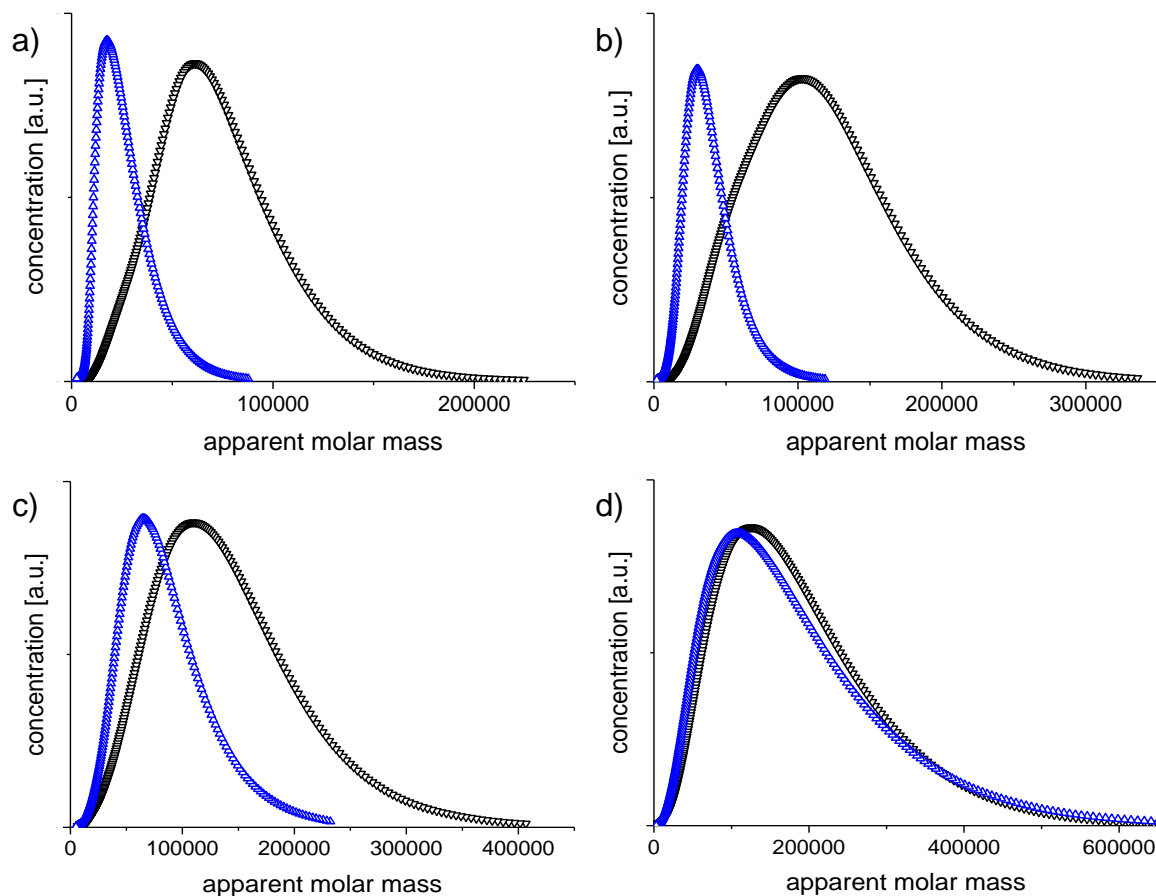
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## Photographs of solutions



**Figure S1.** Photographs of 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> solutions of (a) PSBP<sub>40</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>190</sub> in H<sub>2</sub>O, showing a dissolved intermediate regime II, and of (b) PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub>, showing an insoluble intermediate regime II'.



**Figure S2.** SEC elugrams of macro RAFT agents PSBP<sub>x</sub> (blue  $\Delta$ ), and of the derived block copolymers PSBP<sub>x</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>y</sub> (black  $\nabla$ ): (a) PSBP<sub>40</sub> and PSBP<sub>40</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>190</sub>; (b) PSBP<sub>50</sub> and PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub>; (c) PSBP<sub>245</sub> and PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub>; (d) PSBP<sub>425</sub> and PSBP<sub>425</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>110</sub>.

Conditions: eluent hexafluoroisopropanol (HFIP) containing 50 mM CF<sub>3</sub>COONa, 40 °C, calibration with narrowly distributed poly(methyl methacrylate) standards 500 - 520,000 D.

### Models used for fitting the SANS data

The SANS data were analyzed by fitting the following function:

$$I(q) = I_0 P(q) S(q) + I_{agg}(q) + I_{fluct}(q) + I_{bg} \quad (S1)$$

$I_{bg}$  denotes the constant background, which was in all cases fixed at 0.45-0.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $I_0$  a scaling factor and  $P(q)$  the micellar form factor.

For  $P(q)$ , the form factor of polydisperse, homogeneous spheres was used with a Schulz distribution for the radii:<sup>1</sup>

$$P_{sphere}(q) = \left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)^2 N_0 (\Delta\rho)^2 \int_0^\infty f(r) r^6 F^2(q) dr \quad (S2)$$

where  $N_0$  is the total number of particles per unit volume.  $\Delta\rho$  is the difference in scattering length density of the sphere and the solvent:  $\Delta\rho = \rho_{sphere} - \rho_{solvent}$  (values used see below).  $f(r)$  is the normalized Schulz distribution:<sup>2</sup>

$$f(r) = (z+1)^{z+1} u^z \frac{\exp[-(z+1)u]}{r_{avg} \Gamma(z+1)} \quad (S3)$$

$u = r/r_{avg}$ , where  $r_{avg}$  denotes the average radius,  $\Gamma(n)$  is the Gamma function, and  $z$  is related to the polydispersity  $p$  by  $z = 1/(p^2-1)$ :  $p = \sigma/r_{avg}$ , where  $\sigma^2$  is the variance of the distribution.  $F(q)$  is the scattering amplitude of a sphere having a radius  $r$ :

$$F(q) = \frac{3[\sin(qr) - qr \cos(qr)]}{(qr)^3} \quad (S4)$$

For the structure factor  $S(q)$ , we used the Percus-Yevick hard-sphere structure factor:<sup>3</sup>

$$S(q) = \frac{1}{1 + 24\eta G(2R_{HS}q)/2R_{HS}q} \quad (S5)$$

where  $R_{HS}$  is the hard-sphere radius, i.e. half the center-to-center distance between the particles.  $\eta$  is the hard sphere volume fraction, i.e. the fraction of micelles which are correlated, and

$$G(x) = \gamma \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x^2} + \delta \frac{2x \sin x + (2-x^2) \cos x - 2}{x^3} + \varepsilon \frac{-x^4 \cos x + 4[3x^2 - 6 \cos x + (x^3 - 6x) \sin x + 6]}{x^5} \quad (S6)$$

where  $\gamma = (1+2\eta)^2/(1-\eta)^4$ ,  $\delta = -6\eta(1+\eta/2)^2/(1-\eta)^4$  and  $\varepsilon = \gamma\eta/2$ .

For PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub> at 40 °C and for PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> at 20-50 °C, no structure factor was necessary, and  $S(q)$  was set to unity.

$I_{agg}(q)$  denotes the scattering from large aggregates. We used the Porod form factor:<sup>4</sup>

$$I_{agg}(q) = \frac{I_P}{q^\alpha} \quad (S7)$$

which comprises its amplitude  $I_P$  and the Porod exponent  $\alpha$ .  $\alpha$  is characteristic of the surface roughness of the aggregates: for particles with a smooth surface,  $\alpha = 4$ ; for rough surfaces,  $\alpha < 4$ , and for a concentration gradient near the aggregate surface,  $\alpha > 4$ .<sup>5</sup> This term was not needed for PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> at 90 °C.

$I_{fluct}(q)$  describes concentration fluctuations. We used the Ornstein-Zernike term to model the scattering from concentration fluctuations in solutions of non-charged polymers:<sup>6</sup>

$$I_{OZ}(q) = \frac{I_{OZ}}{1+q^2\xi^2} \quad (S8)$$

which comprises an amplitude  $I_{OZ}$  and a correlation length,  $\xi_{OZ}$ . For PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub> at 50-60 °C and for PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> in 24 mM NaBr in D<sub>2</sub>O at 55 °C, instead of the Ornstein-Zernike term, the solvation term,  $I_{solv}(q)$ , was used:

$$I_{solv}(q) = CF_{solv}(q) \quad (S9)$$

The parameter  $C$  characterizes the solvation intensity, which reads:

$$C = A \frac{k_B T (\Delta\rho)^2}{K}, \quad (S10)$$

where  $A$  is a scaling factor related to the volume fraction,  $K$  is the osmotic compressibility,  $(\Delta\rho)^2$  is the contrast factor with  $\rho$  being the scattering length densities of the polymers and the solvent,  $k_B$  is Boltzmann's constant and  $T$  the absolute temperature.  $F_{solv}(x)$  is the scaling function, which is given by:

$$F_{solv}(q) = \frac{1}{1+(|q-q_0|\xi_{solv})^m}. \quad (S11)$$

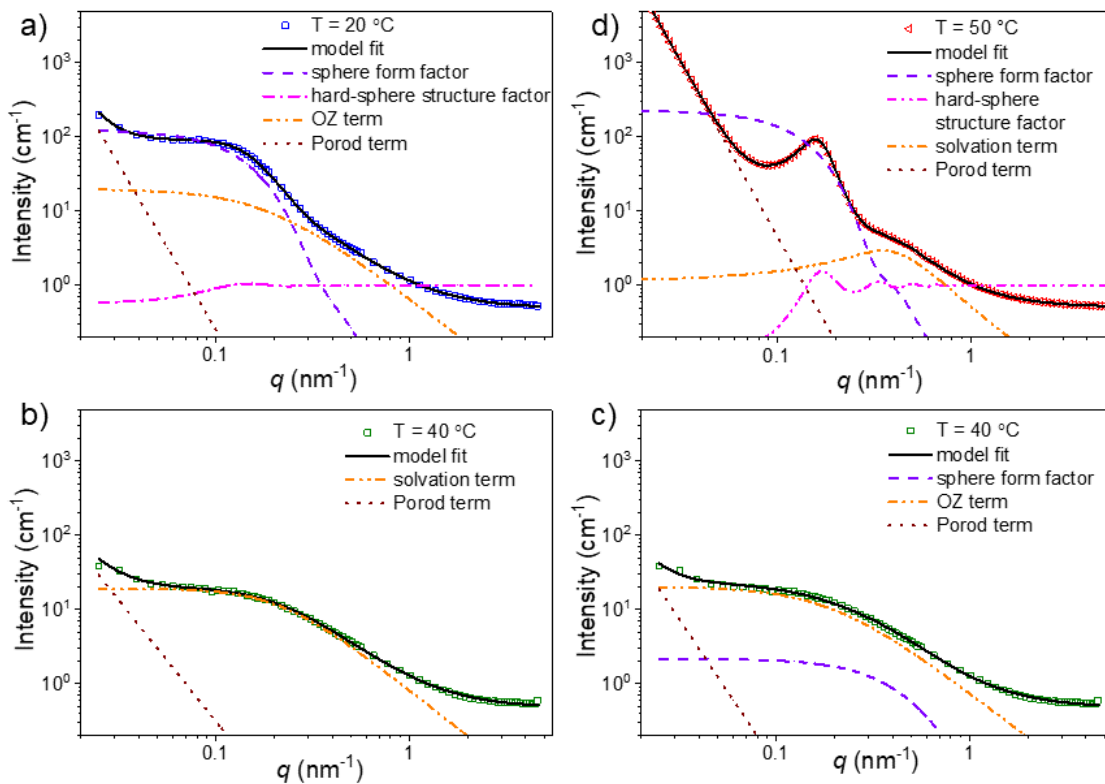
$I_{solv}(q)$  was previously used to model concentration fluctuations in semidilute solutions of polyelectrolytes.<sup>7</sup> It features the parameter  $C$  characterizing the solvation intensity and the correlation length  $\xi_{solv}$ . The average distance  $d_0 = 2\pi/q_0$  between the charged domains is calculated from the position of maximum intensity,  $q_0$ . For non-charged polymers, the solvation Porod exponent  $m$  is 5/3 in a good solvent or 2 in a theta solvent, respectively.<sup>8</sup>

The scattering length densities (SLD) of PSBP, PNIPMAM and D<sub>2</sub>O were calculated at  $7.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ nm}^{-2}$ ,  $6.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ nm}^{-2}$ , and  $6.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ nm}^{-2}$ , assuming mass densities of  $1.0 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$  for PSBP and  $1.1 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$  for PNIPMAM. In all fits of Eq. 1, the SLD values of the particles in regimes I and III were fixed at  $7.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ nm}^{-2}$ .

For the solution of PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub> at 30 and 40 °C as well as the one of PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> at 40 °C, the curves were additionally modelled by:

$$I(q) = I_{agg}(q) + I_{solv}(q) + I_{bg} \quad (\text{S12})$$

Modeling was performed using the SANS Data Reduction and Analysis software provided by the NIST Center for Neutron Research within the IGOR Pro software environment.<sup>9</sup>



**Figure S3.** Details of model fitting to the SANS data of the 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub> solution in salt-free D<sub>2</sub>O in the 3 regimes (I: 20 °C, II: 40 °C, III: 50 °C), temperatures are given in the graphs. Symbols: data points, only every second point is shown. Full lines: Fits of Eq. 1 (a,c,d) and of Eq. 2(b). Broken lines: Contributions to the fits as described in the legends. OZ stands for Ornstein-Zernike.

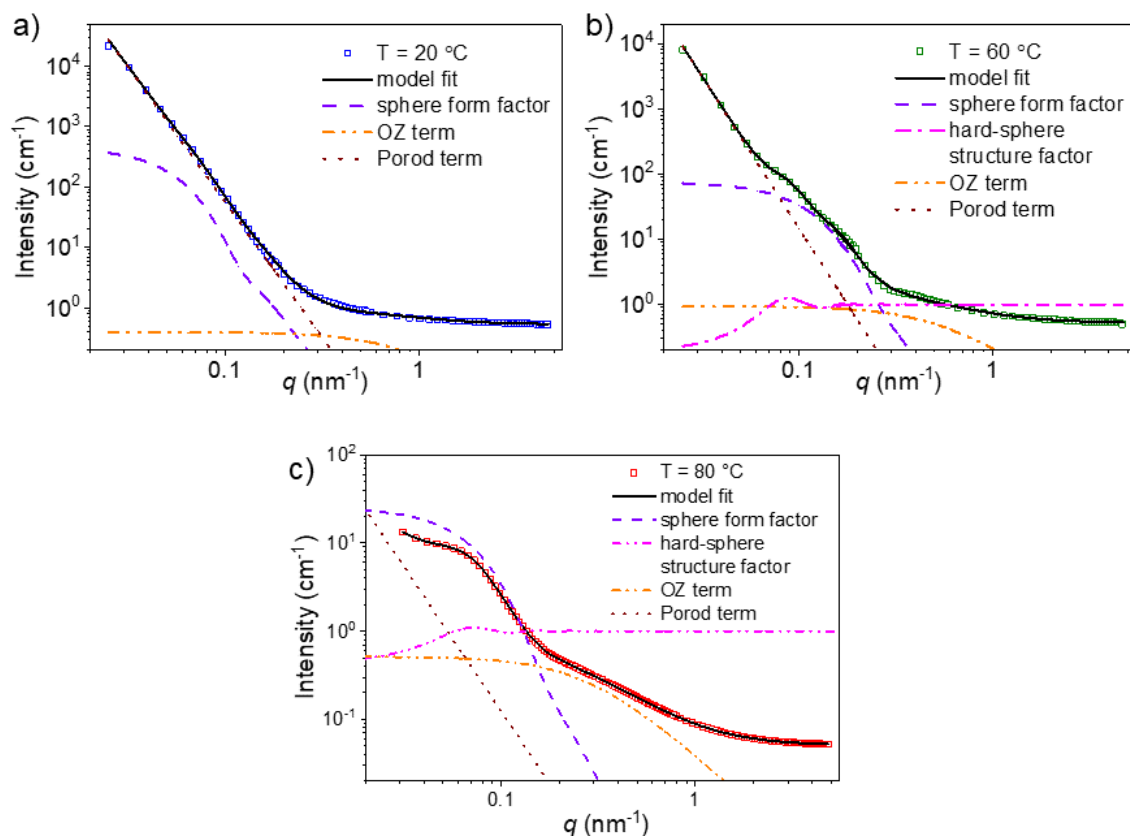
**Table S1.** Best fit parameters of Eq. 1 for the SANS data of a 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub> solution in salt-free D<sub>2</sub>O in regimes I, II and III.

	Regime I		Regime II	Regime III	
	20 °C	30 °C	40 °C	50 °C	60 °C
$r_{avg}$ [nm]	11.1 ± 1.0	10.7 ± 1.1	1.7 ± 0.2	12.6 ± 0.1	12.9 ± 0.1
$p$	0.26 ± 0.03	0.23 ± 0.02	0.59 ± 0.05	0.20 ± 0.01	0.13 ± 0.01
$R_{HS}$ [nm]	20 ± 2	19 ± 2		18.8 ± 0.1	17.9 ± 0.1
$\eta$	0.07 ± 0.01	0.08 ± 0.01		0.31 ± 0.02	0.32 ± 0.03
$I_P \times 10^9$	3.5 ± 0.3	0.6 ± 0.1	0.8 ± 0.1	1.8 ± 0.1	0.62 ± 0.01
$\alpha$	4.4 ± 0.2	3.9 ± 0.2	3.6 ± 0.2	4.7 ± 0.1	4.9 ± 0.1
$I_{OZ}$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	20 ± 2	33 ± 3	20 ± 2		
$\xi_{OZ}$ [nm]	5.4 ± 0.5	6.5 ± 0.6	5.1 ± 0.4		
$C$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]				3.0 ± 0.1	0.9 ± 0.1
$\xi_{solv}$ [nm]				3.8 ± 0.1	6.3 ± 0.1
$m$				1.7 ± 0.1	1.0 ± 0.1
$d_0$ [nm]				17.9 ± 0.3	11.1 ± 1
$SLD_{sphere}$ [nm <sup>-2</sup> ]	$(7.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$				



**Table S2.** Best fit parameters of Eq. 2 for the SANS data of a 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>155</sub> solution in salt-free D<sub>2</sub>O in regime I at 30 °C and regime II.

	<b>Regime I</b> <b>30 °C</b>	<b>Regime II</b> <b>40 °C</b>
<i>I<sub>p</sub></i>	$(1.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-8}$	$(9.7 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-8}$
<i>α</i>	$3.8 \pm 0.2$	$3.3 \pm 0.2$
<i>C</i> [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	$42 \pm 4$	$19 \pm 2$
<i>ξ<sub>solv</sub></i> [nm]	$9.9 \pm 0.3$	$4.8 \pm 0.2$
<i>m</i>	$1.82 \pm 0.02$	$2.01 \pm 0.02$
<i>d<sub>0</sub></i> [nm]	$8 \pm 1$	$15 \pm 2$



**Figure S4.** Details of model fitting to the SANS data of the 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>245</sub>-b-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> solution in salt-free D<sub>2</sub>O in the 3 regimes (I: 20 °C, II': 60 °C, III: 80 °C), temperatures are given in the graphs. Symbols: data points, only every second point is shown. Full lines: Fits of Eq. 1. Broken lines: Contributions to the fits as described in the legends. OZ stands for Ornstein-Zernike.

**Table S3.** Best fit parameters of Eq. 1 for the SANS data of a 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> solution in salt-free D<sub>2</sub>O.

	20 °C	30 °C	40 °C	50 °C	60 °C	60 °C	70 °C	80 °C	90 °C
$r_{avg}$ [nm]	32 ± 3	33 ± 3	42 ± 4	9 ± 1	13 ± 1	15 ± 1	19 ± 2	21 ± 2	12 ± 1
$p$	0.23 ± 0.02	0.23 ± 0.02	0.10 ± 0.01	0.26 ± 0.03	0.29 ± 0.03	0.25 ± 0.03	0.23 ± 0.03	0.27 ± 0.03	0.79 ± 0.08
$R_{HS}$ [nm]					35 ± 3	37 ± 3	41 ± 4	41 ± 4	40 ± 4
$\eta$					0.22 ± 0.01	0.20 ± 0.02	0.19 ± 0.01	0.11 ± 0.01	0.15 ± 0.01
$I_P \times 10^8$	7.1 ± 0.6	6.2 ± 0.1	5.7 ± 0.5	3.2 ± 0.2	7.7 ± 0.7	14.1 ± 1.2	9.8 ± 0.9	3.5 ± 0.4	
$\alpha$	4.5 ± 0.2	4.5 ± 0.2	4.5 ± 0.1	4.9 ± 0.3	4.6 ± 0.2	4.5 ± 0.2	3.6 ± 0.2	3.3 ± 0.2	
$I_{oz}$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	0.4 ± 0.1	0.6 ± 0.1	0.8 ± 0.2	1.6 ± 0.3	0.9 ± 0.2	0.2 ± 0.2	0.3 ± 0.1	0.5 ± 0.1	0.6 ± 0.2
$\xi_{oz}$ [nm]	1.2 ± 0.1	1.5 ± 0.1	1.6 ± 0.1	2.6 ± 0.2	1.9 ± 0.2	2.1 ± 0.2	2.3 ± 0.2	3.5 ± 0.3	3.2 ± 0.3
$SLD_{sphere}$ [nm <sup>-2</sup> ]	$(7.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$								

**Table S4.** Best fit parameters of Eq. 1 for the SANS data of a 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> solution in 24 mM NaBr in D<sub>2</sub>O.

	20 °C	55 °C
$r_{avg}$ [nm]	$22.7 \pm 0.1$	$23.92 \pm 0.05$
$p$	$0.303 \pm 0.004$	$0.224 \pm 0.002$
$R_{HS}$ [nm]		$31.06 \pm 0.04$
$\eta$		$0.255 \pm 0.001$
$I_P \times 10^{11}$	$4.03 \pm 0.06$	$112.7 \pm 0.4$
$\alpha$	$5.20 \pm 0.03$	4.5
$I_{OZ}$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	$2.08 \pm 0.02$	
$\xi_{OZ}$ [nm]	$4.7 \pm 0.3$	
$C$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]		$1.26 \pm 0.01$
$\xi_{solv}$ [nm]		$4.30 \pm 0.03$
$m$		$1.91 \pm 0.01$
$d_0$ [nm]		$32.3 \pm 0.5$
$SLD_{sphere}$ [nm <sup>-2</sup> ]	$7.1 \times 10^{-5}$	

**Table S5.** Best fit parameters of Eq. 2 for the SANS data of a 50 g L<sup>-1</sup> PSBP<sub>245</sub>-*b*-PNIPMAM<sub>105</sub> solution in 24 mM NaBr in D<sub>2</sub>O in regime II at 40 °C.

	<b>Regime II</b> <b>40 °C</b>
<b><i>C</i> [cm<sup>-1</sup>]</b>	5.38 ± 0.02
<b><math>\xi_{solv}</math> [nm]</b>	4.78 ± 0.01
<b><i>m</i></b>	2.406 ± 0.003
<b><i>d</i><sub>0</sub> [nm]</b>	

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