Supporting information

Temperature-Induced Intracellular Uptake of Thermoresponsive Polymeric Micelles

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1. Characterization of polymers

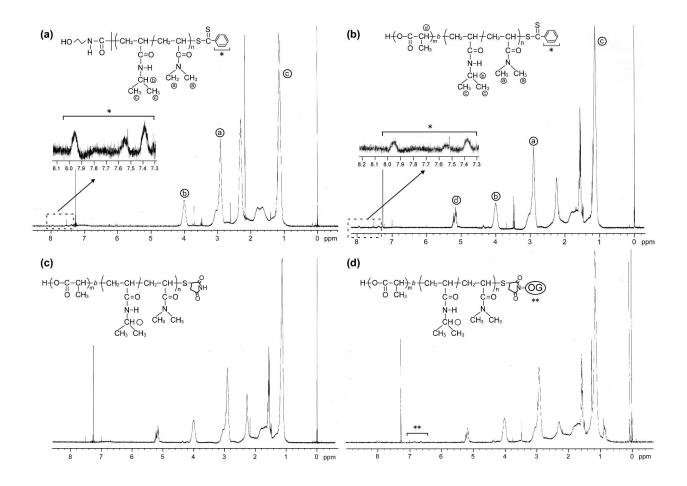


Figure S1. ¹H-NMR spectra (in CDCl₃) of (a) TBT-P(IPAAm-*co*-DMAAm)-OH, (b) TBT-P(IPAAm-*co*-DMAAm)-*b*-PLA, (c) Mal-terminated P(IPAAm-*co*-DMAAm)-*b*-PLA, and (d) OG-terminated P(IPAAm-*co*-DMAAm)-*b*-PLA.

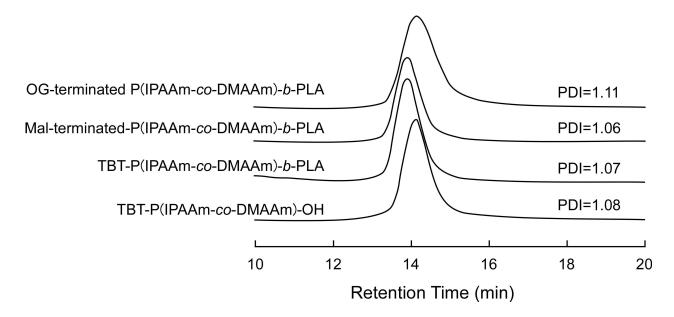


Figure S2. GPC curves of thermoresponsive polymers.

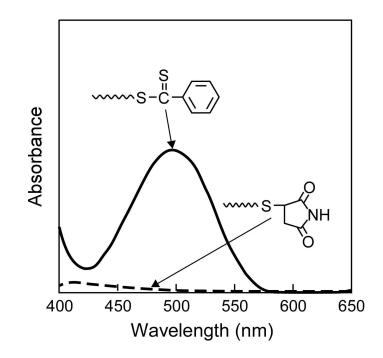


Figure S3. UV spectra of TBT-P(IPAAm-*co*-DMAAm)-*b*-PLA block copolymers before and after terminal maleimide modification.

Characterization of thermoresponsive polymeric micelles

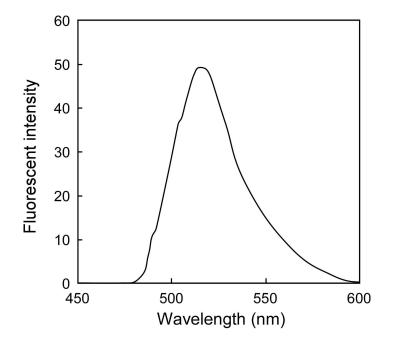


Figure S4 Fluorescence spectrum of OG-labeled thermoresponsive polymeric micelles in water. $\lambda ex=495$ nm.

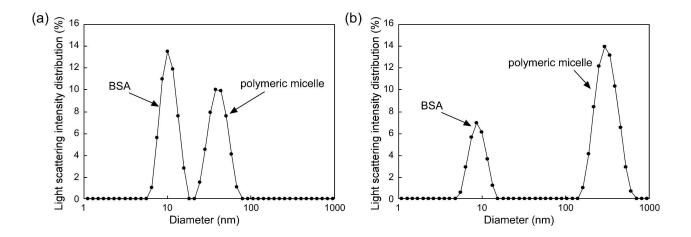


Figure S5 Size distribution of OG-labeled thermoresponsive polymeric micelles in the presence of bovine serum albumin (BSA) at temperatures (a) below (37°C) and (b) above (42°C) the LCST in DPBS(-). [polymer]=0.2mg/mL, [BSA]=1mg/mL.

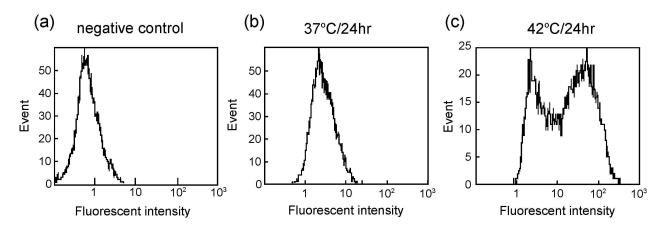


Figure S6 Flow cytometric fluorescence histograms of bovine carotid endothelial cells incubated with or without OG-labeled thermoresponsive polymeric micelles for 24 h. (a) Basal fluorescence of the cells, (b) below (37°C) and (c) above (42°C) the micelle LCST.