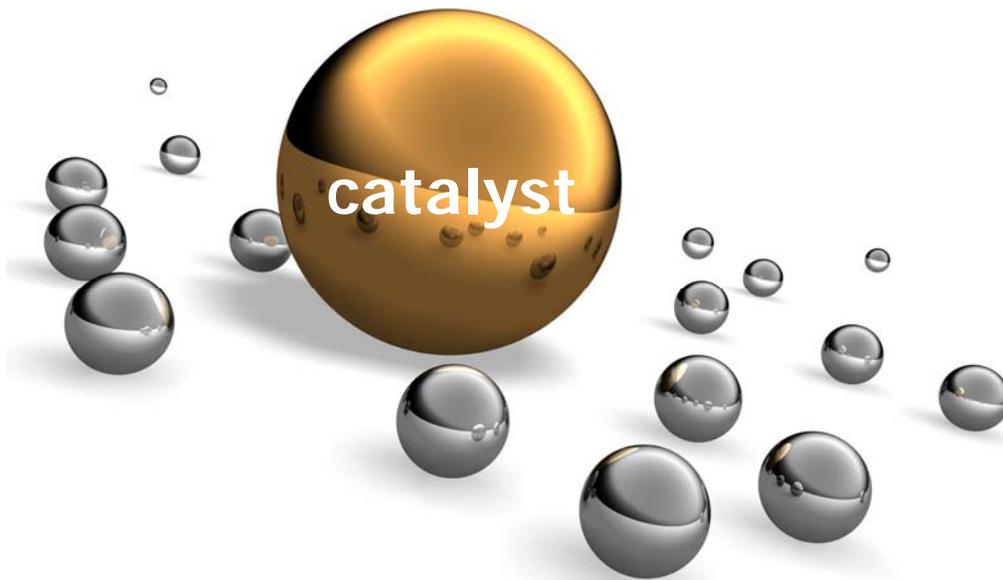
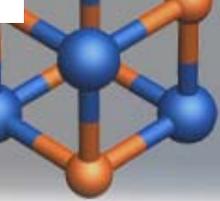


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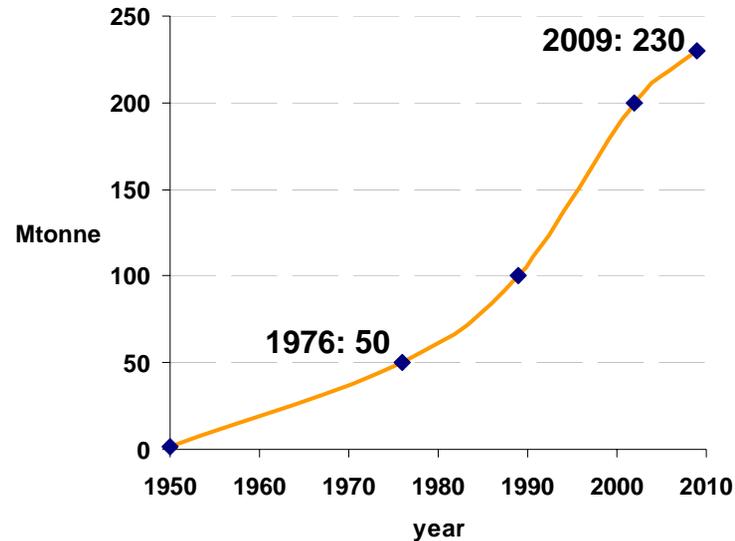
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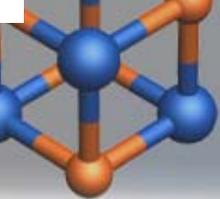


World plastics production



“Any future scenario where plastics do not play an increasingly important role in human life therefore seems unrealistic.”

A. L. Andrady, M. A. Neal, *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* **2009**, 364, 1977.



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Backside of the success (I):

- Plastics derived mainly from petrochemicals
- 4% of the annual petroleum production
- Additional 3-4% for manufacture energy



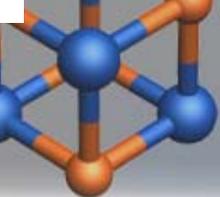
Backside of the success (II):

- plastic production: **55 Mtonnes** (2007, EU)

vs.

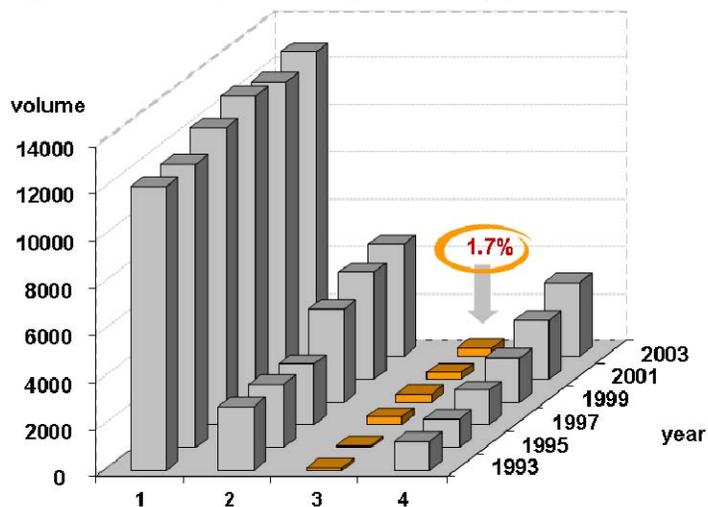
- end-of-life-plastics: **25 Mtonnes** (2007, EU)





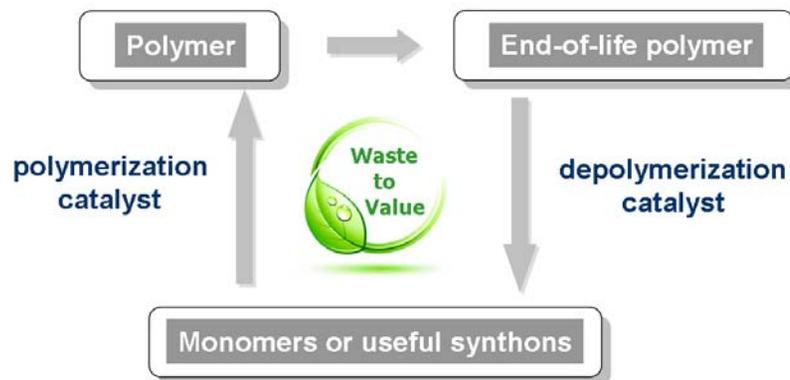
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Figure 2. Volumes of plastic waste (Western Europe)



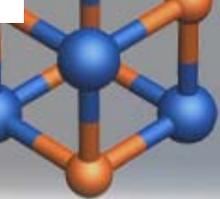
- 1: landfill
- 2: energy recovery (thermal recycling)
- 3: feedstock recycling
- 4: mechanical recycling (downcycling)

Ru: 150€/mol
Rh: 2484€/mol
Pd: 1460 €/mol



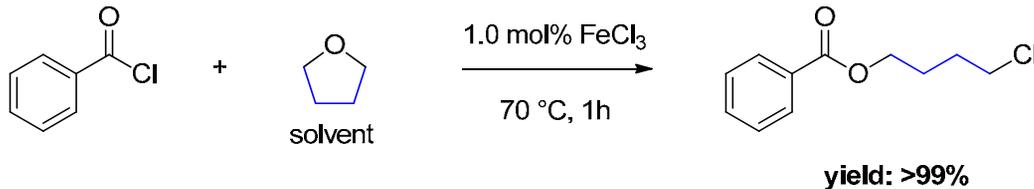
Depolymerization requirements

- abundant and cheap catalyst/reagents
- robust
- low toxicity
- non-inert conditions
- low-temperature
- solvent-free

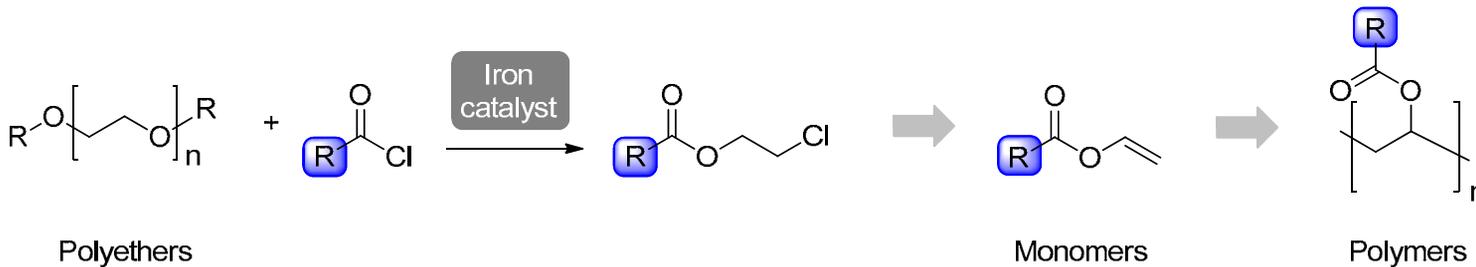


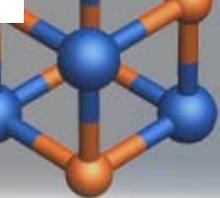
Depolymerization of Polyethers

Polyether: Polyethylene glycol (24.000.000 t/a)
 Polypropylene oxide (6.600.000 t/a)
 Polytetrahydrofuran (250.000 t/a)

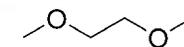
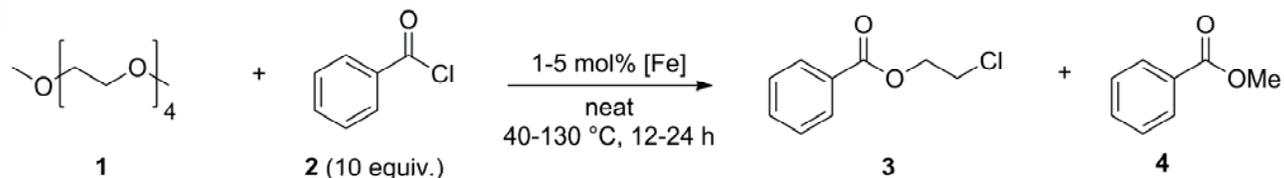


Transfer of the concept



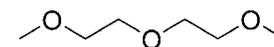


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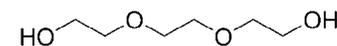


Yield: 79%

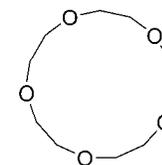
Entry ^[a]	Iron source (mol%)	T [°C]	Yield (3) [%] ^[b]
1	--	130	<1
2	FeCl ₂ •4H ₂ O (5)	130	87
3	FeCl ₃ (5)	130	81
4	FeBr ₃ (5)	130	69
5	Fe(ClO ₄) ₂ •H ₂ O (5)	130	71
6	Fe(ClO ₄) ₃ •4H ₂ O (5)	130	73
7	FeCl ₂ •4H ₂ O (2.5)	130	82
8	FeCl ₂ •4H ₂ O (1.0)	130	68
9	FeCl ₂ •4H ₂ O (5)	100	86
10	FeCl ₂ •4H ₂ O (5)	80	69



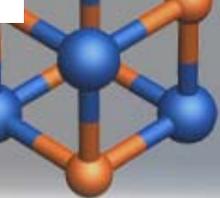
Yield: 81%



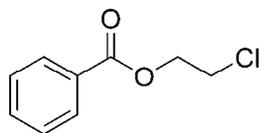
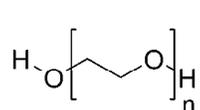
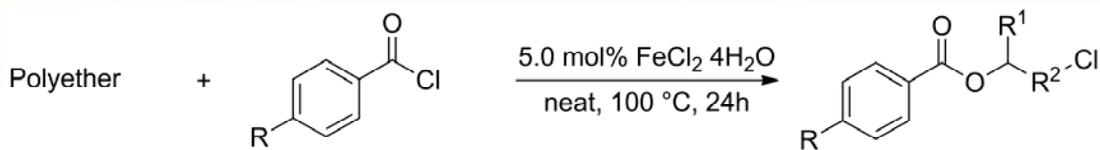
Yield: 73%



Yield: 82%

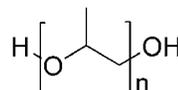


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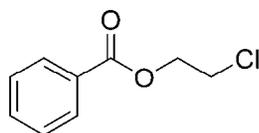
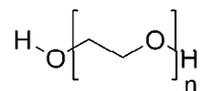
Polyethylene glycol
($M_n \sim 100.000 \text{ g/mol}$)

Yield: 89%



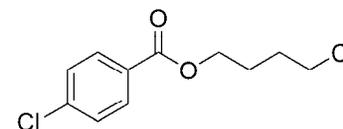
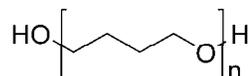
Polypropylene oxide
($M_n \sim 2500 \text{ g/mol}$)

Yield: 68%



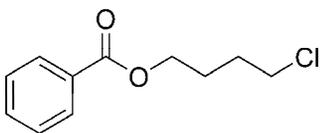
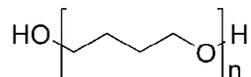
Polyethylene glycol
($M_n \sim 1.000.000 \text{ g/mol}$)

Yield: 95%



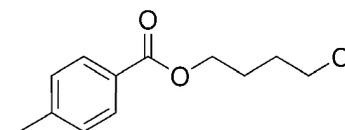
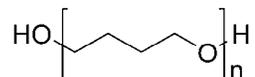
Polytetrahydrofuran
($M_n \sim 1000 \text{ g/mol}$)

Yield: 92%



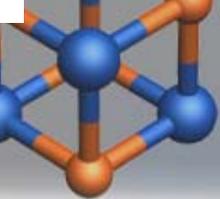
Polytetrahydrofuran
($M_n \sim 1000 \text{ g/mol}$)

Yield: 83%

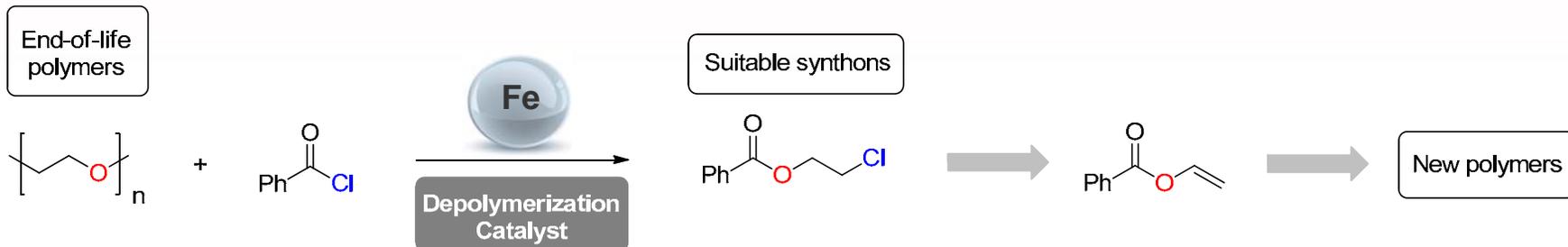


Polytetrahydrofuran
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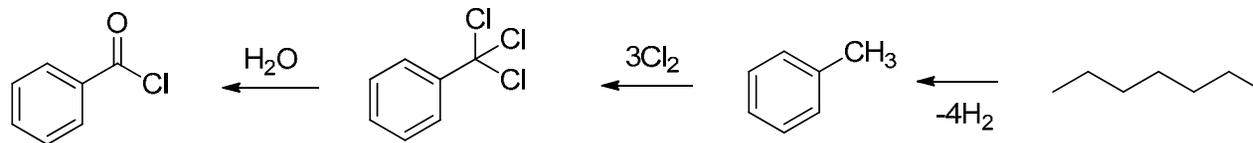
Yield: 89%



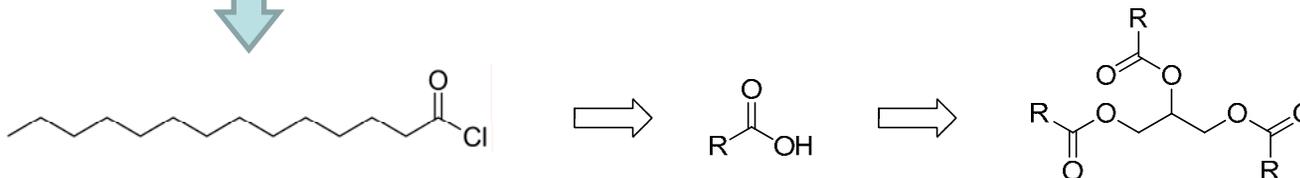
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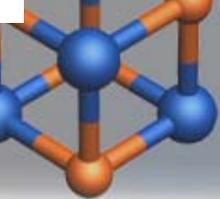
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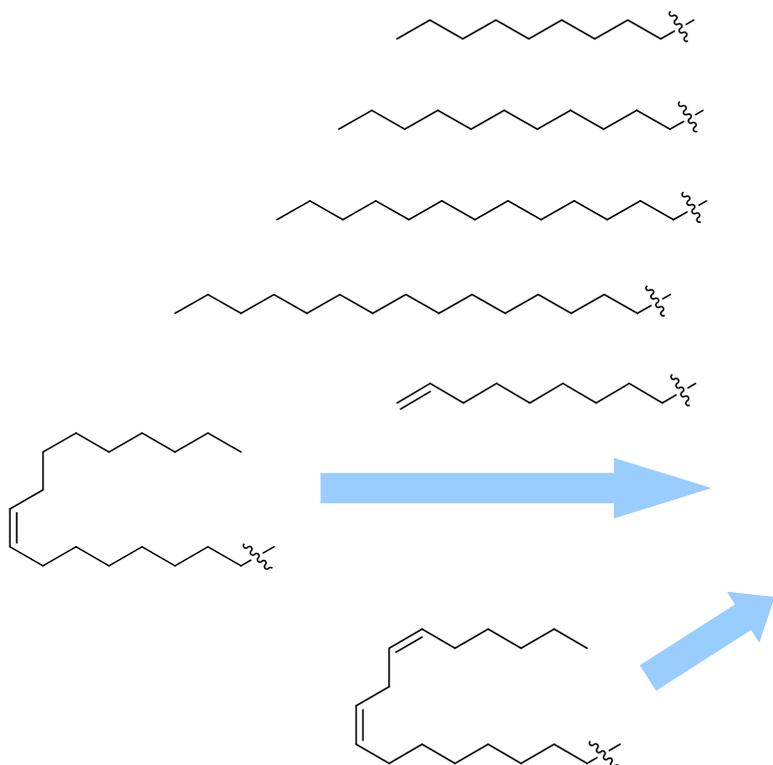
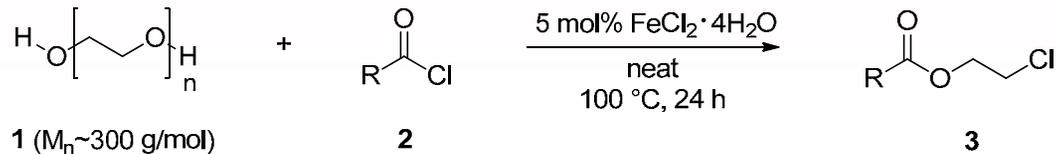
Option:



Renewable resources
 ■ fatty acid chlorides

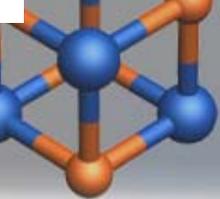


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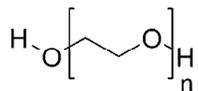
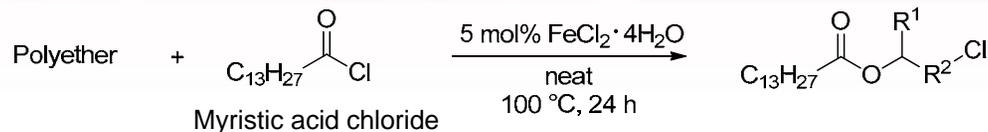


Entry	Substrate (C:D) ^[a]	Yield (3) [%]
1	capric acid chloride (10:0)	78
2	lauroyl chloride (12:0)	77
3	myristoyl chloride (14:0)	82
4	palmitoyl chloride (16:0)	75
5	10-undecenoyl chloride (11:1)	<1
6	oleic acid chloride (18:1)	39
7	linoleic acid chloride (18:2)	<1

[a] C:D = number of carbons: number of double bonds.

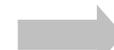
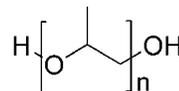


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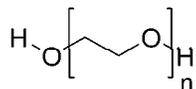
Yield: 69%

Polyethylene glycol
($M_n \sim 1.000 \text{ g/mol}$)



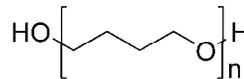
Yield: 77%

Polypropylene oxide
($M_n \sim 2500 \text{ g/mol}$)



Yield: 56%

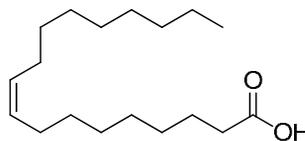
Polyethylene glycol
($M_n \sim 1.000.000 \text{ g/mol}$)



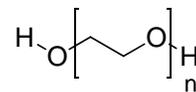
Yield: 57%

Polytetrahydrofuran
($M_n \sim 1000 \text{ g/mol}$)

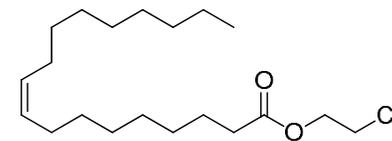
▪ ***in situ* generation of the acid chloride**



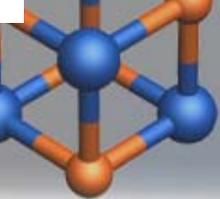
a) SOCl_2 , 80°C , 2 h
 b) 5 mol% $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 100°C , 24 h



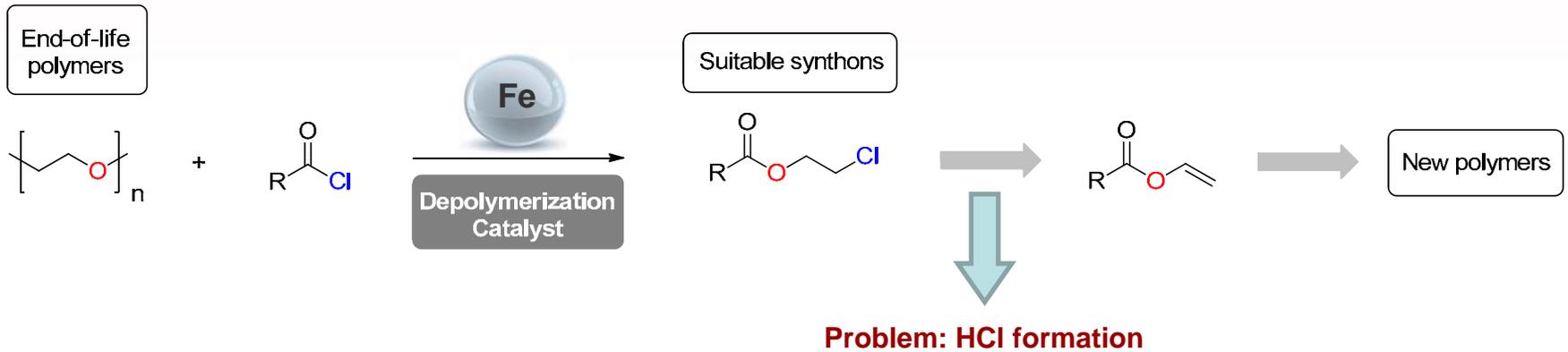
1 ($M_n \sim 300 \text{ g/mol}$)



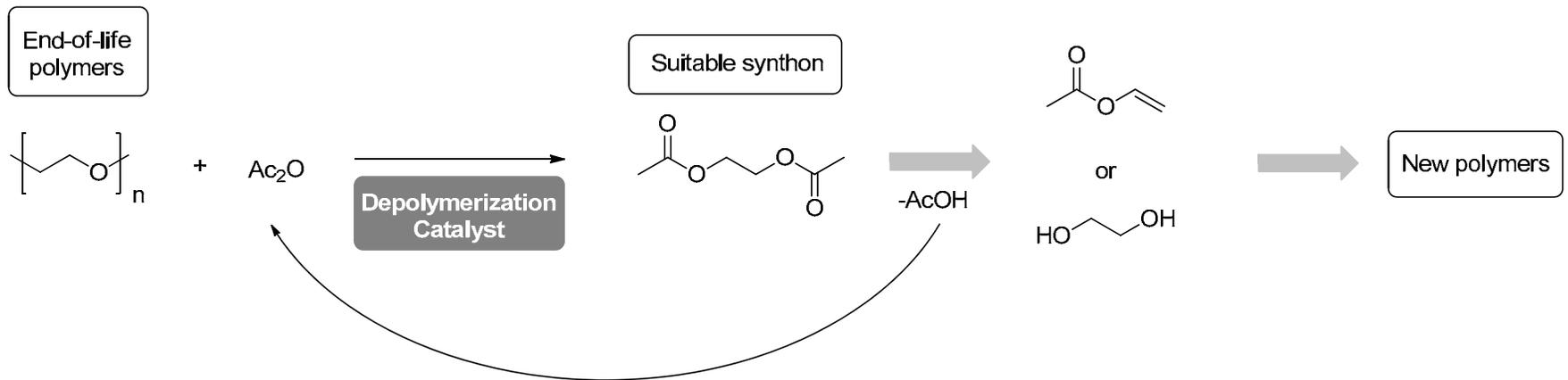
yield: 35%

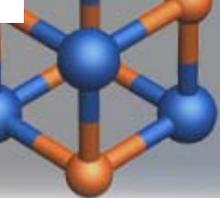


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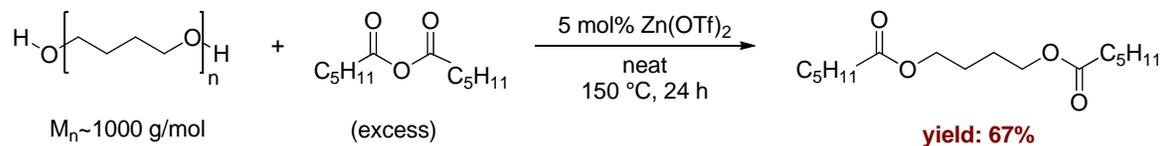
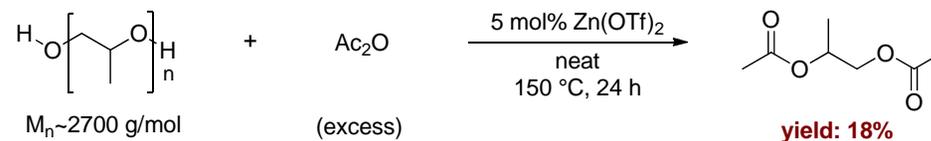
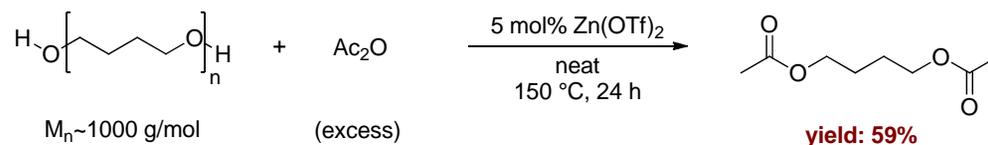
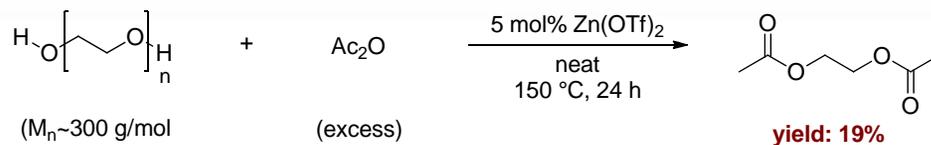


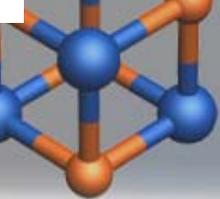
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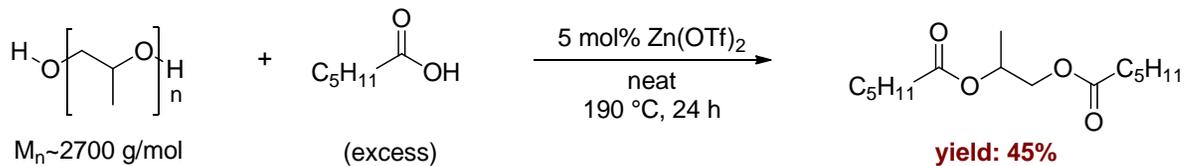
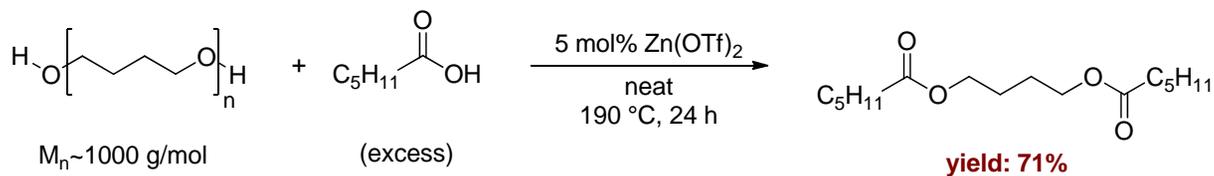
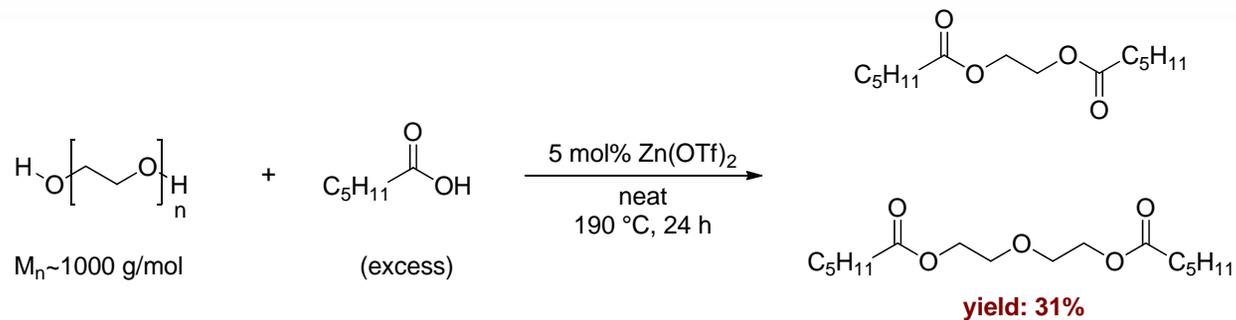


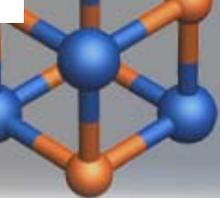
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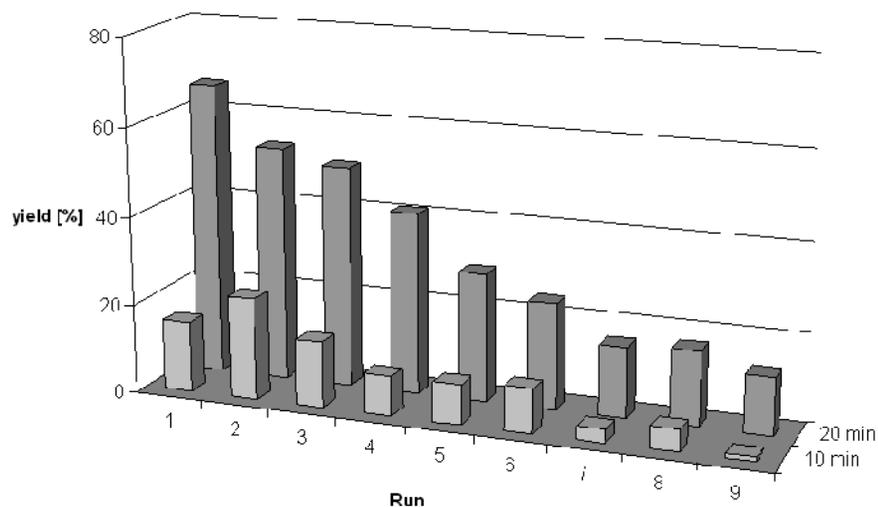
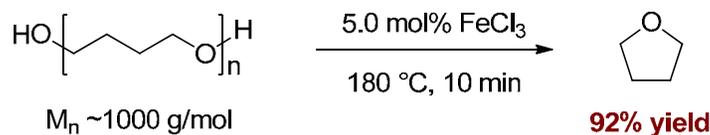
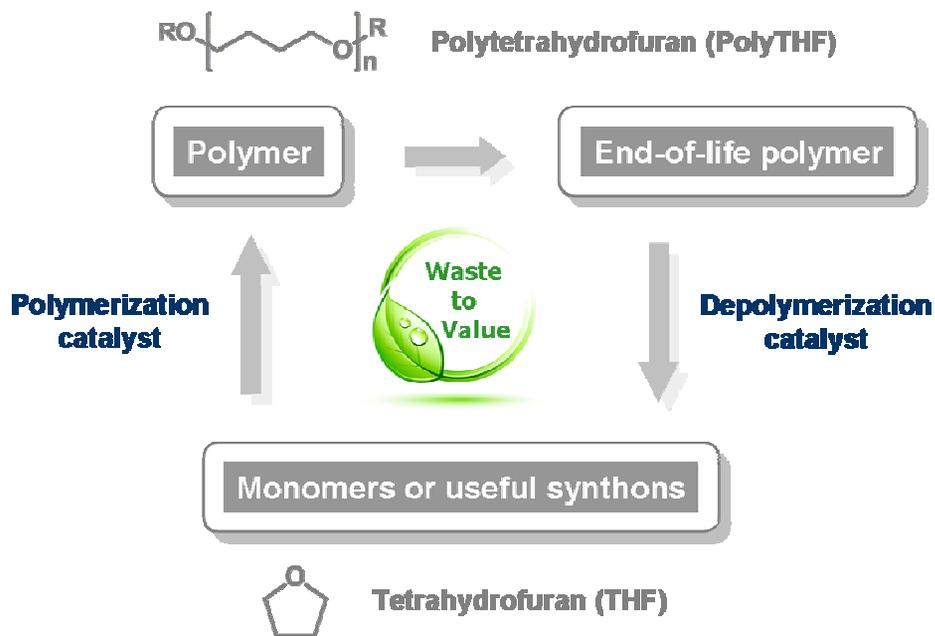


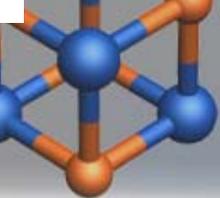
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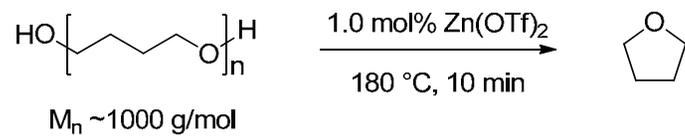
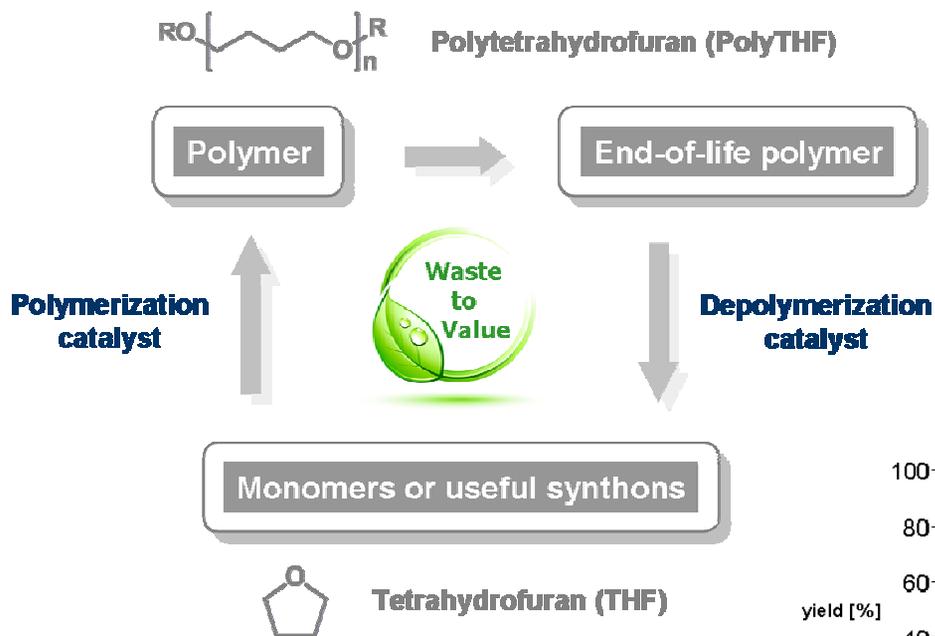


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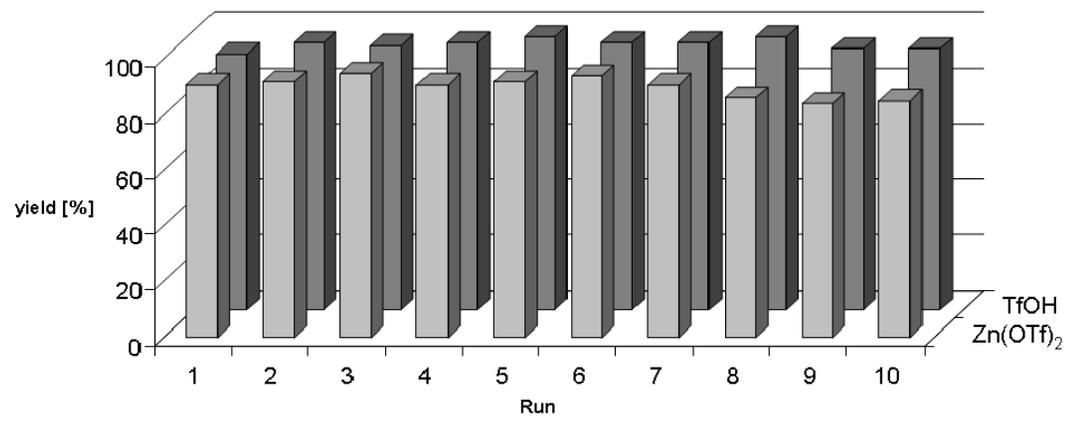


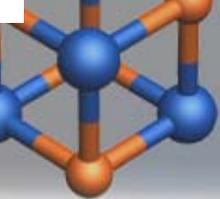


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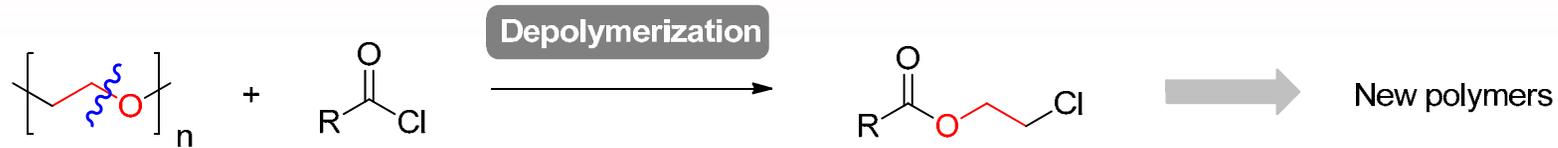


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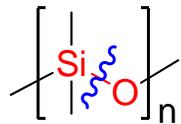




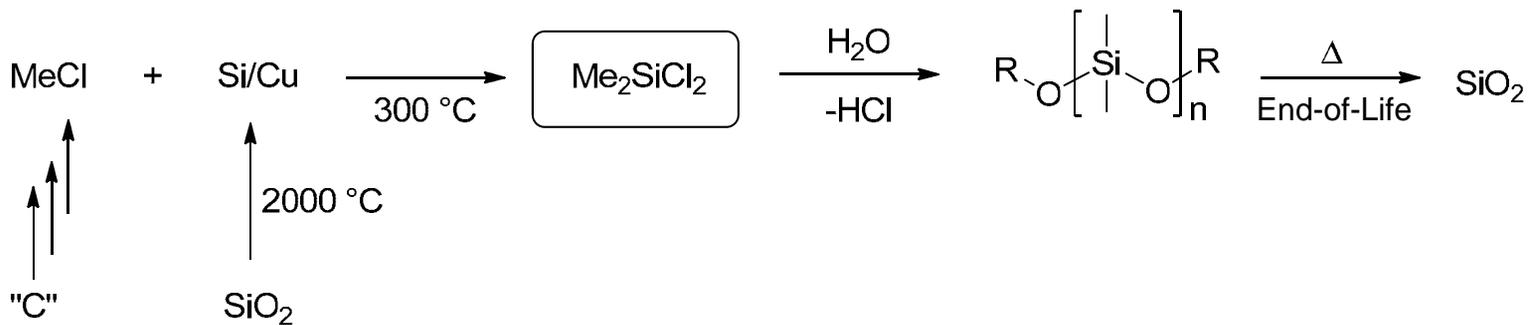
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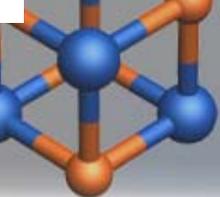


Transfer of the concept to polysiloxanes?

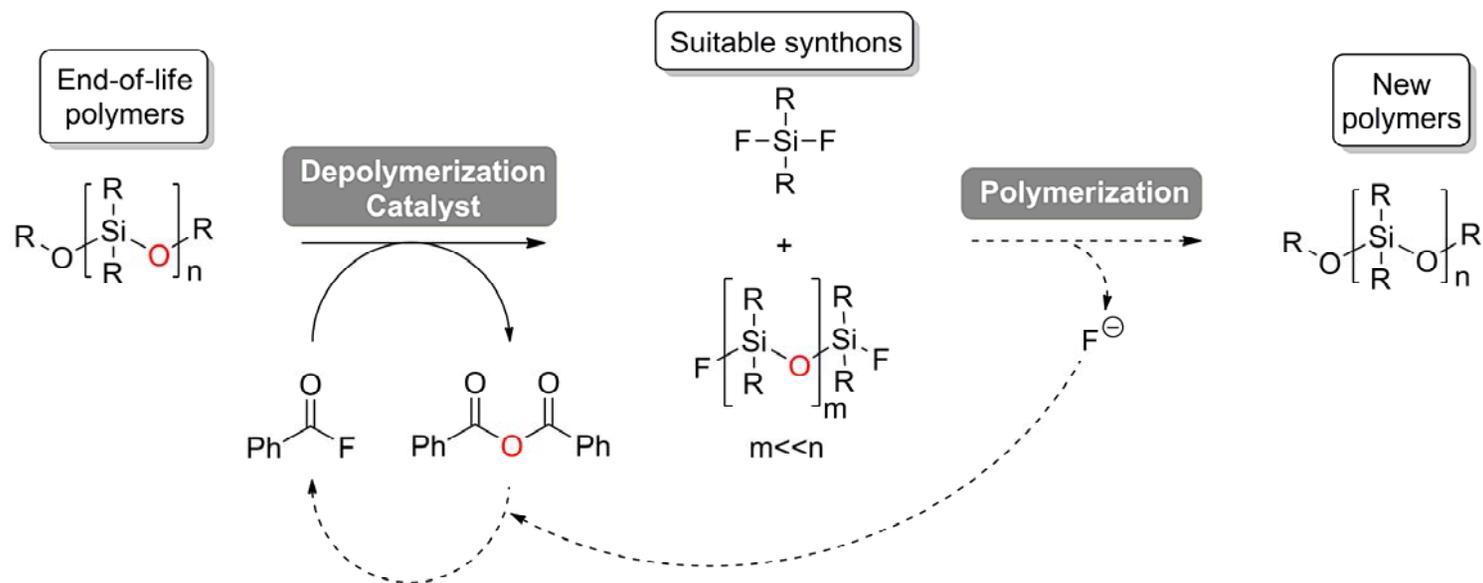


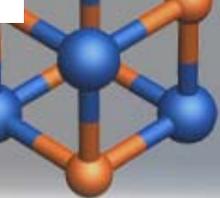
▪ Polysiloxane synthesis



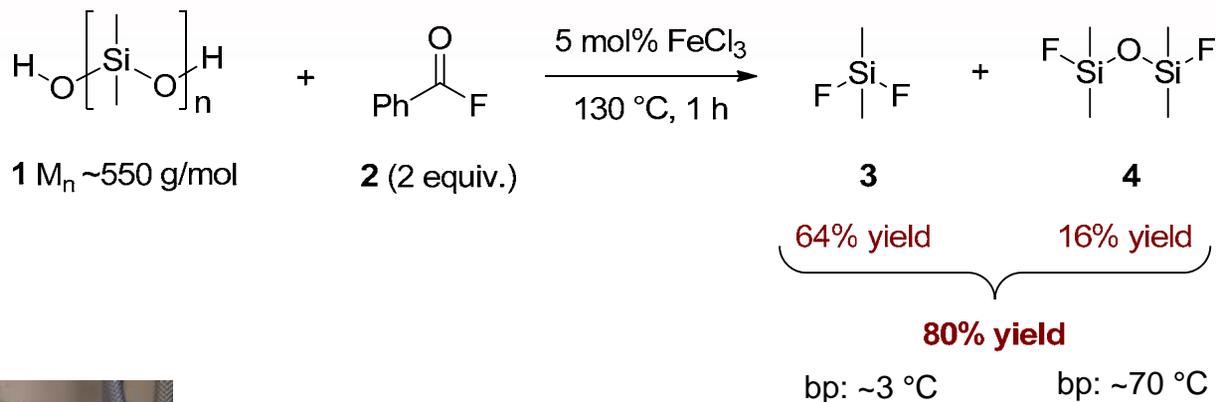


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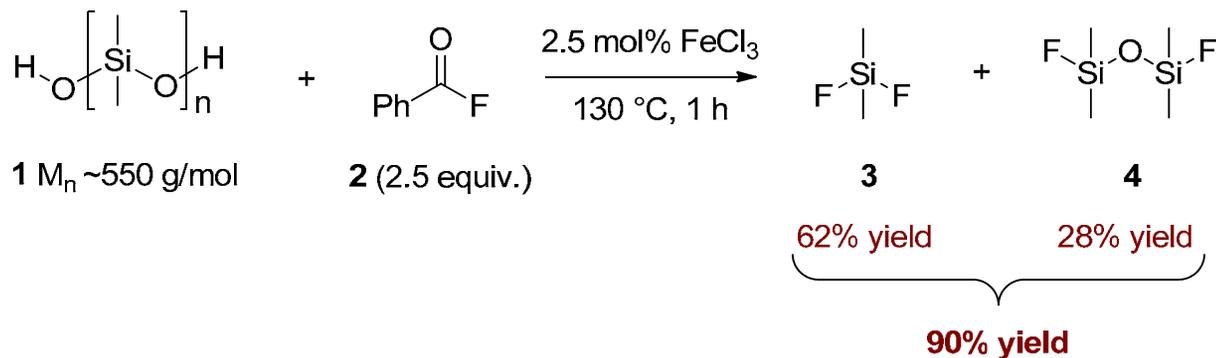


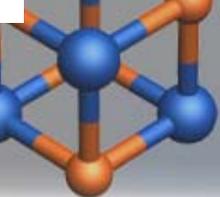


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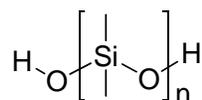
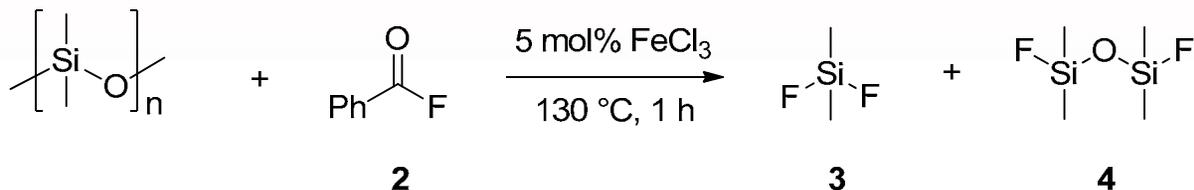


Reaction set-up

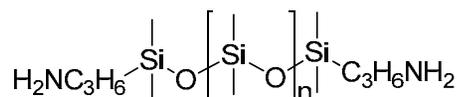




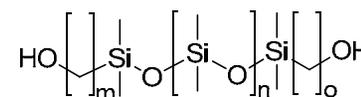
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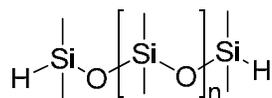
88% yield (69/19)
($M_n \sim 110.000$ g/mol)



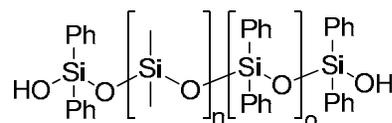
56% yield (47/9)
($M_n \sim 2.500$ g/mol)



95% yield (72/23)
($M_n \sim 5.600$ g/mol)



65% yield (49/16)
($M_n \sim 580$ g/mol)

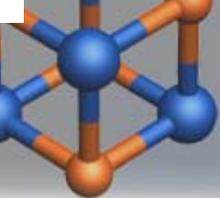


60% yield (40/10)^{a)}
($M_n \sim 580$ g/mol)
87% yield (Ph_2SiF_2)

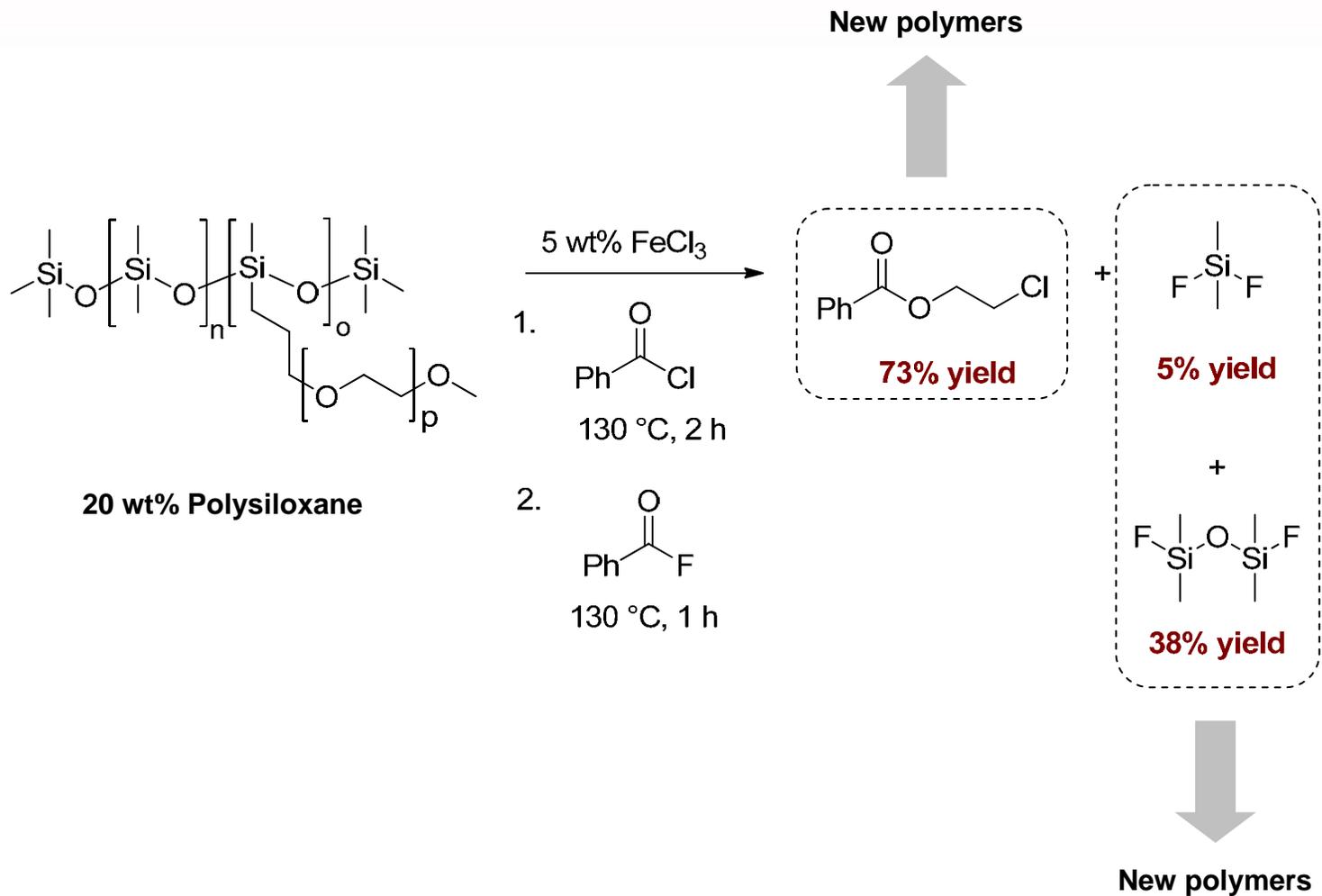
Silicone oil
(viscosity 30.000 cSt)

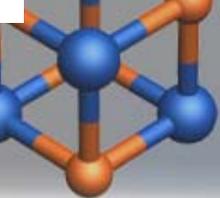
81% yield (74/7)

a) 95:5 mole ratio of dimethylsiloxane:diphenylsiloxane

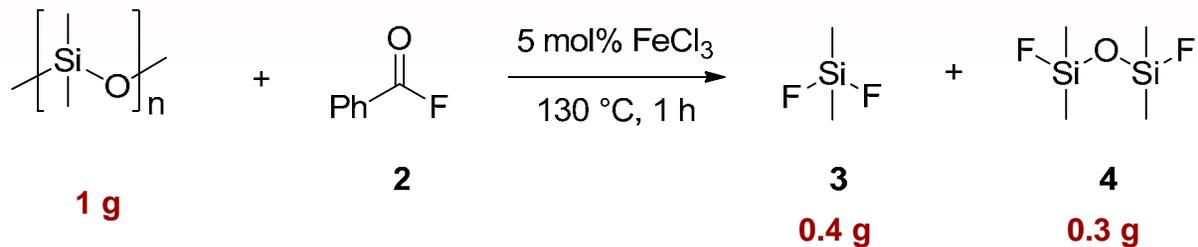


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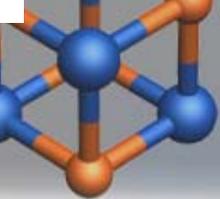


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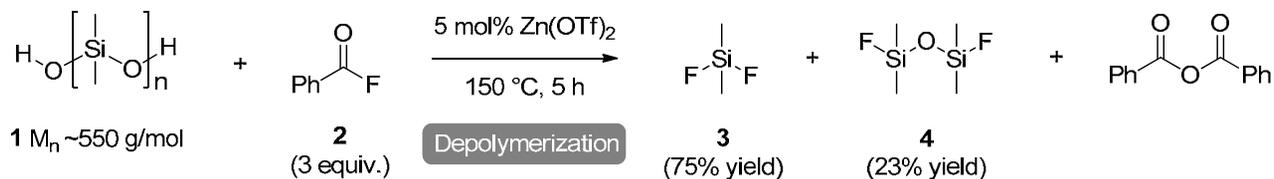
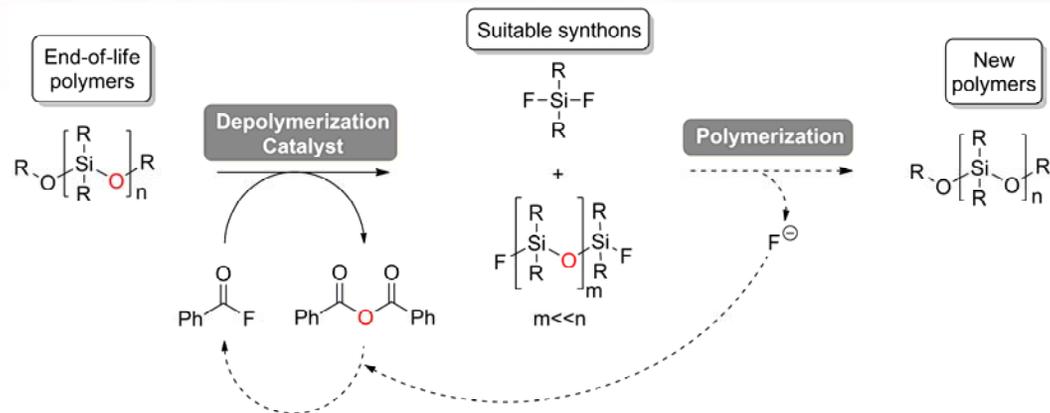


Silicone baking cup

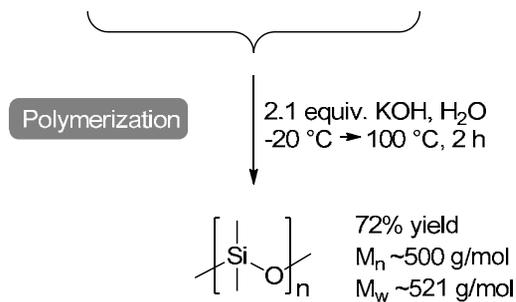


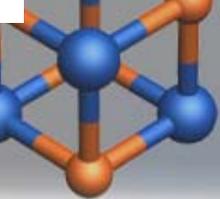


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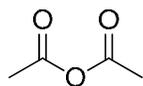
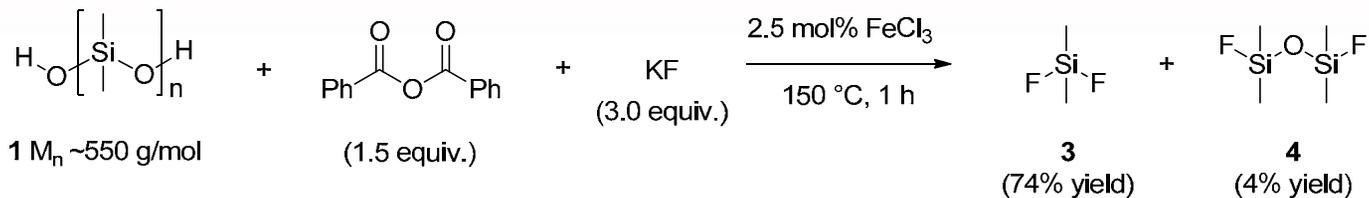


PhC(O)F: ~482 €/mol

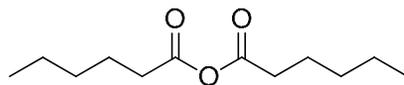




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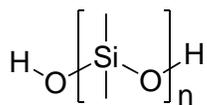


3: 36% yield
4: 4% yield

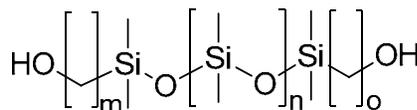


3: 78% yield
4: 1% yield

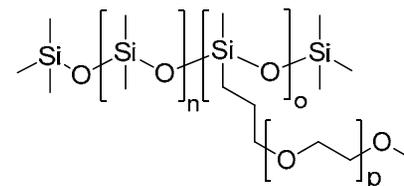
PhC(O)O(O)CPh/KF: ~46 €/mol
PhC(O)Cl/KF: ~22 €/mol
PhC(O)F: ~482 €/mol



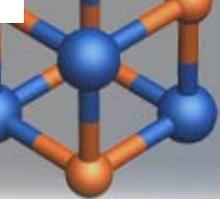
60% yield
 ($M_n \sim 110.000$ g/mol)



48% yield
 ($M_n \sim 5.600$ g/mol)

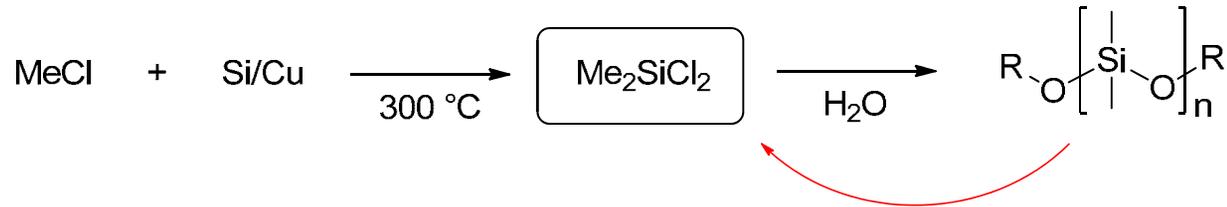


71% yield
 (20 wt% Polysiloxane)

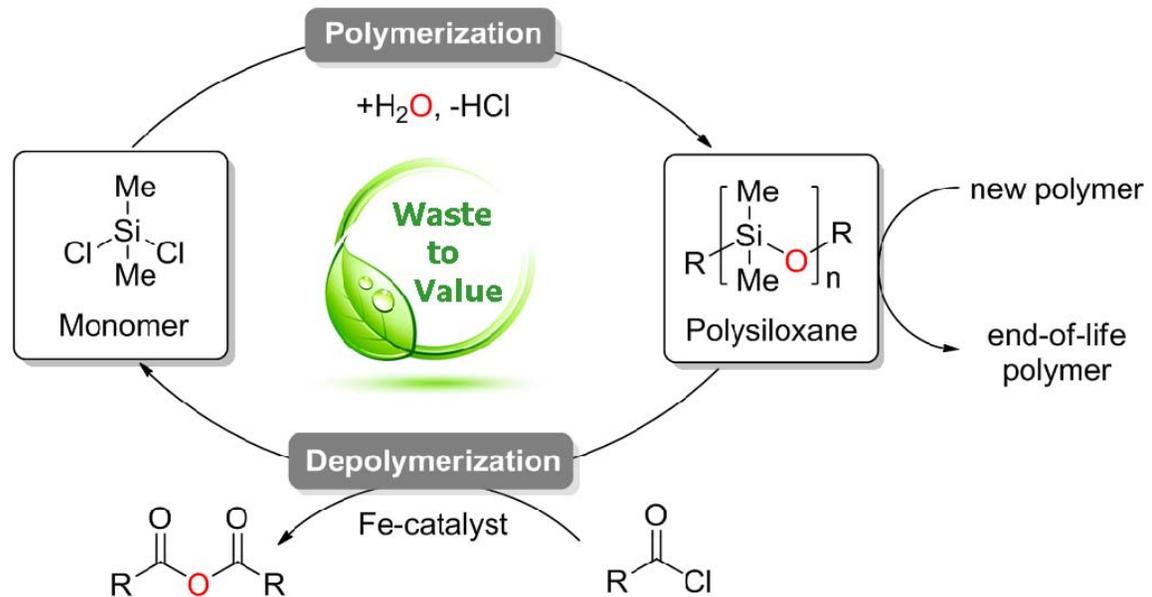


Depolymerization of Silicones

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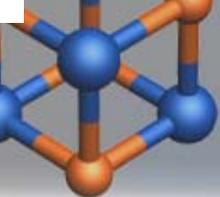


■ Silicone Recycling:

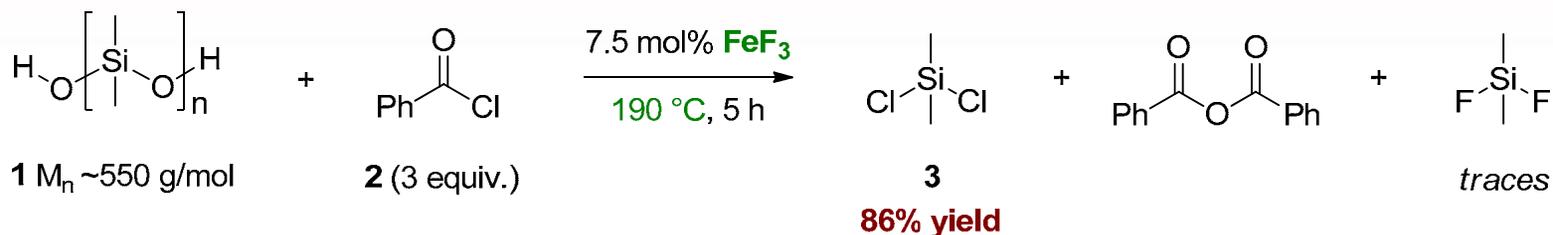


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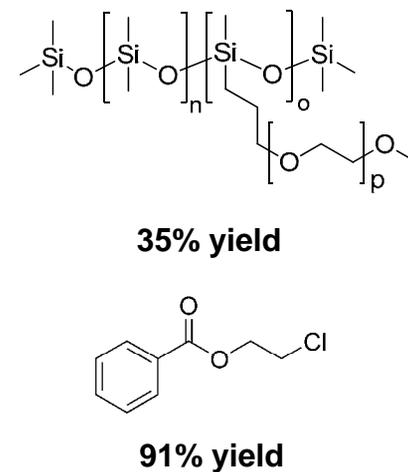
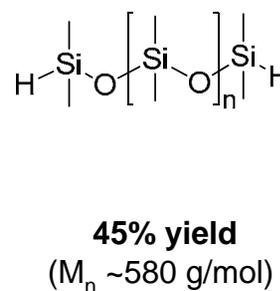
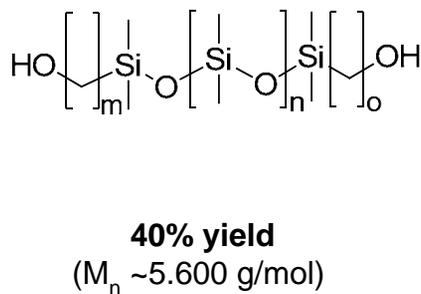
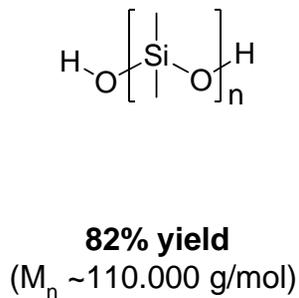
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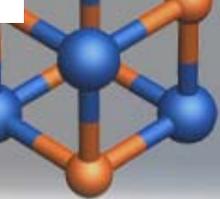


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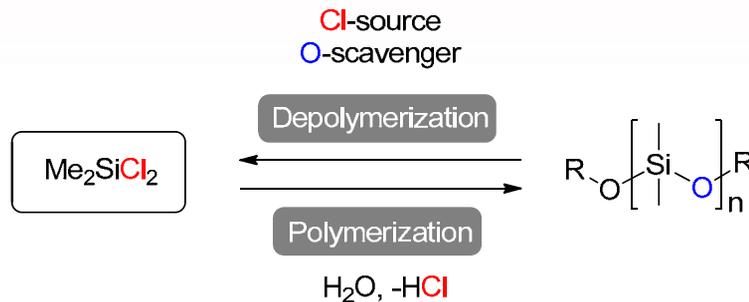
(FeCl₃: 32% yield)





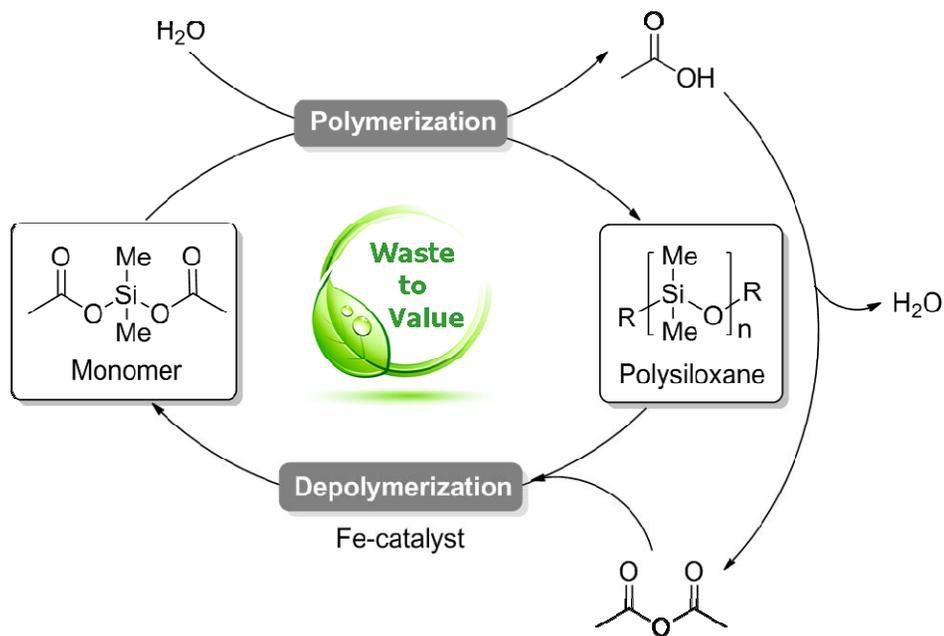
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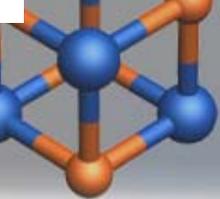
- **Polymerization/Depolymerization:**



- **Silicone Recycling / Depolymerization Reagent Recycling:**

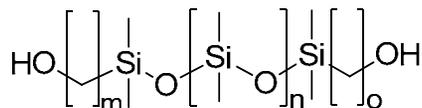
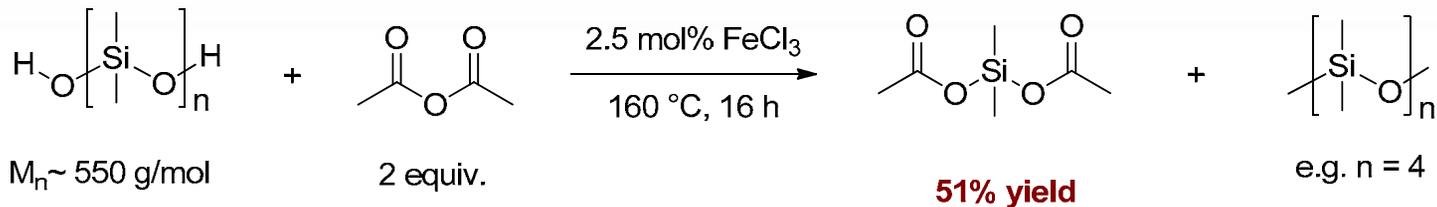
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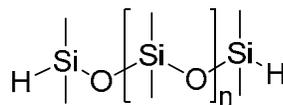


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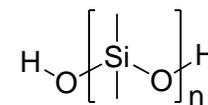
Depolymerization:



37% yield
($M_n \sim 5.600\text{ g/mol}$)

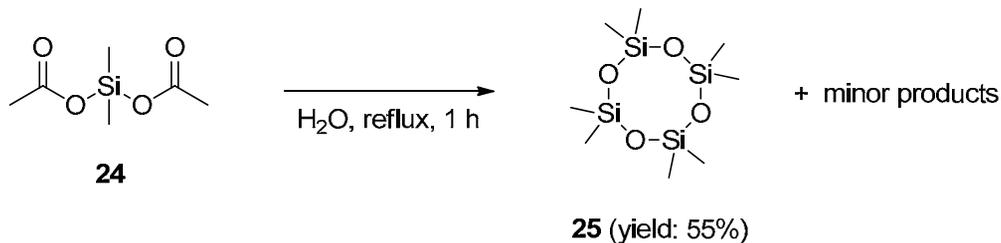


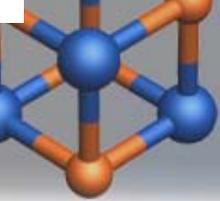
35% yield
($M_n \sim 580\text{ g/mol}$)



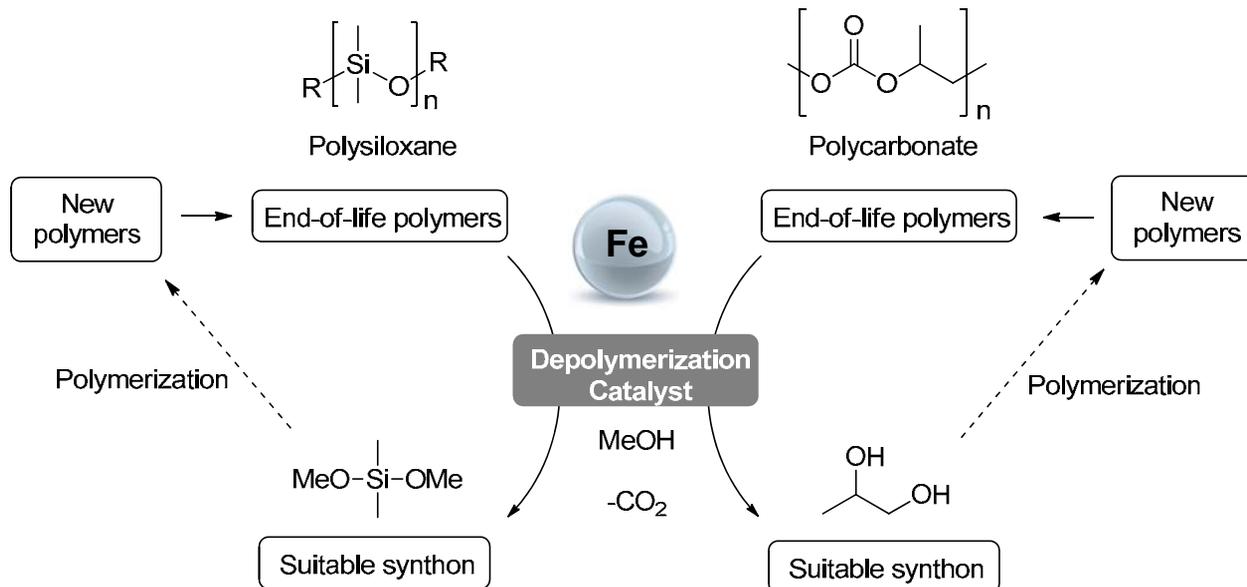
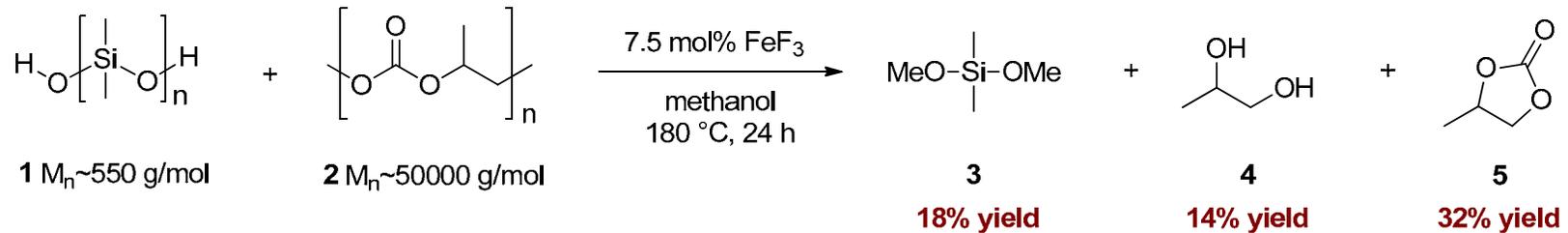
29% yield
($M_n \sim 110.000\text{ g/mol}$)
 $\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Polymerization:

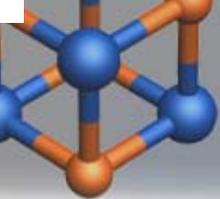




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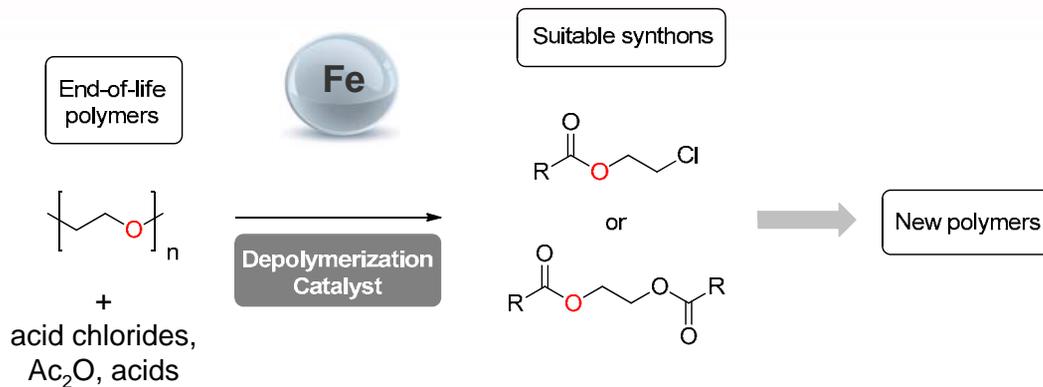


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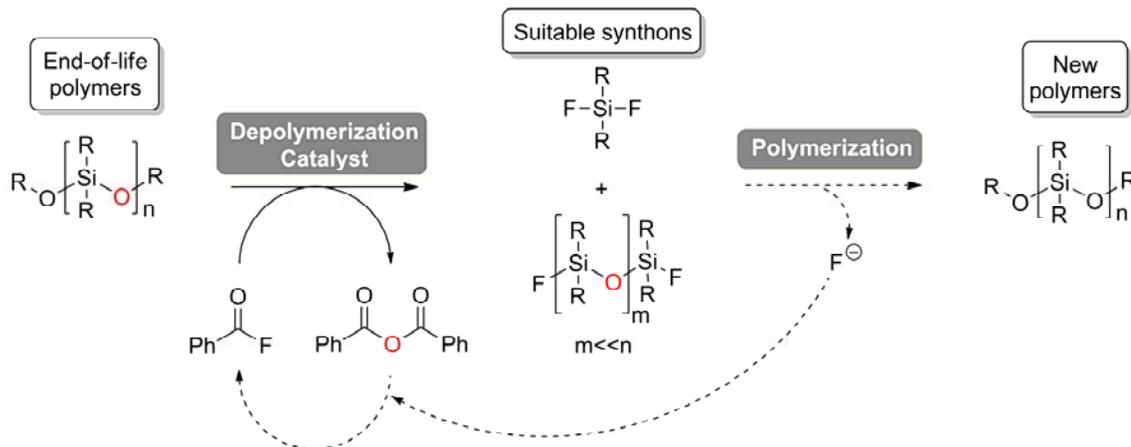


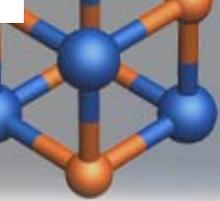
Summary

Depolymerization of Polyethers



Depolymerization of Polysiloxanes



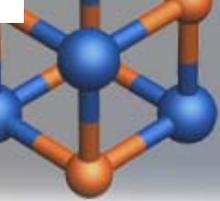


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