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#### ABSTRACT

A new method called cloud point thermally induced phase separation (CP-TIPS) was developed to prepare poly (l-lactic acid) (PLLA) scaffolds with macropores over 300 $\mu$ m in PLLA/dioxane/H<sub>2</sub>O ternary system. The concentration of PLLA was 4% (w/v), and the solvent was dioxane with 14% of deionized water. By maintaining the clear solution of the ternary system near and above the cloud point for 2h, followed by a large enough quenching depth (-80°C), the crystallization of the  $\alpha$ '-form crystal

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