Self-Assembling Behavior and Negative Non-Linear Dependence of Hydrogen-Bonded Tris(phenylisoxazolyl)benzene Dimers

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Ureido-pyrimidinone (UPy) motif forms a quadruple hydrogen-bonded dimeric pair with a dimerization association constant of $K_{dim} > 1.0 \times 10^7$ L mol^{-1.1)} Our group reported that tris(phenylisoxazolyl)benzene derivatives with chiral side chains were stacked in a columnar fashion to form one-handed helical supramolecular polymers.²⁾ Here, we report the selfassembly behavior of UPy-appended tris(phenylisoxazolyl)benzene (S)- and (R)-1 in a mixture of CHCl₃/methylcyclohexane (MCH) (Figure 1a). When the content of MCH was increased to 60%, a strong CD signal with a dissymmetry factor g_{abs} of 0.027 was observed (Figure 1b). On the other hand, no CD signal was observed in the pure CHCl₃ solutions of (S)-1.



Figure 1. (a) Cartoon representation of the formation of helically twisted supramolecular polymer consisting of 1. Inserted AFM image was spin-coated film of (*S*)-1 on mica prepared from its CHCl₃ solution. (b) CD spectra of (*S*)-1 in CHCl₃/MCH. The red, black, green, blue, dotted, and broken lines denote the spectra of (*S*)-1 recorded in CHCl₃/MCH (v/v) = 10/0, 8/2, 6/4, 4/6, 2/8, and 0/10, respectively. [(*S* $)-1] = <math>1.0 \times 10^{-4}$ mol L⁻¹.

The CD spectra were measured when varying the enantiomeric excesses (*ee*) for (*S*)- and (*R*)-1 mixtures in CHCl₃/MCH (4/6, v/v). The plot of the net helicity against the *ee* showed negative non-linear dependence at the concentration of 1.0×10^{-4} mol L⁻¹ (Figure 2). We will give a presentation about the detailed discussion on the self-assembly behavior and negative non-linear dependence of (*S*)- and (*R*)-1 mixtures.

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Figure 2. Plot of the net helicity at (closed circle) 280 mn and (open circle) 320 nm against the *ee* of mixed monomer of (S)- and (R)-1.