

Supporting Information

Phase Separation and Self-Assembly of Cyclic Amphiphilic Block Copolymers with a Main-Chain Liquid Crystalline Segment

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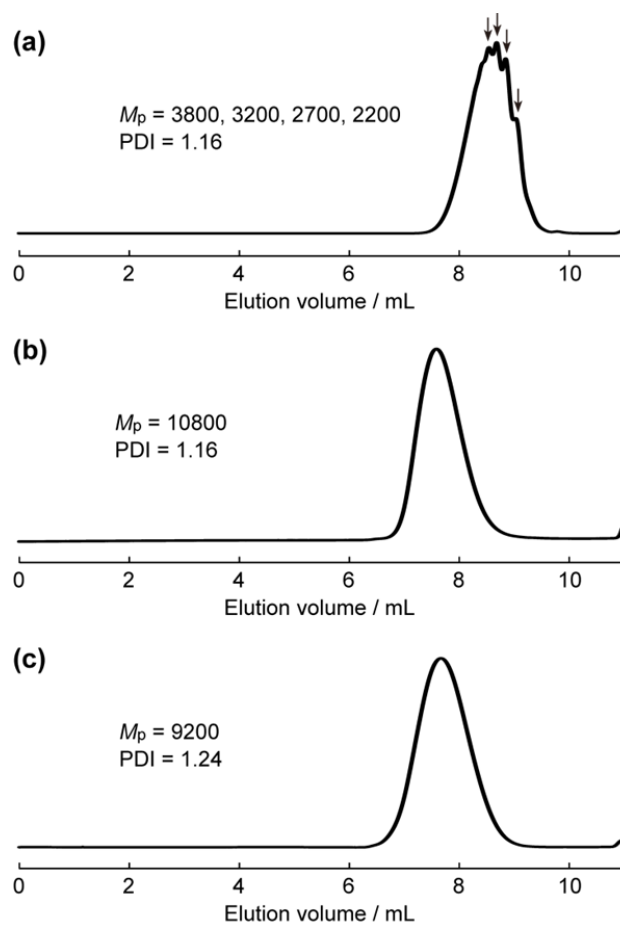


Figure S1. SEC traces of (a) a SEC-fractionalized BB_9 macroinitiator, (b) linear $tBA_{21}BB_9tBA_{21}$, and (c) cyclic $tBA_{31}BB_{10}$.

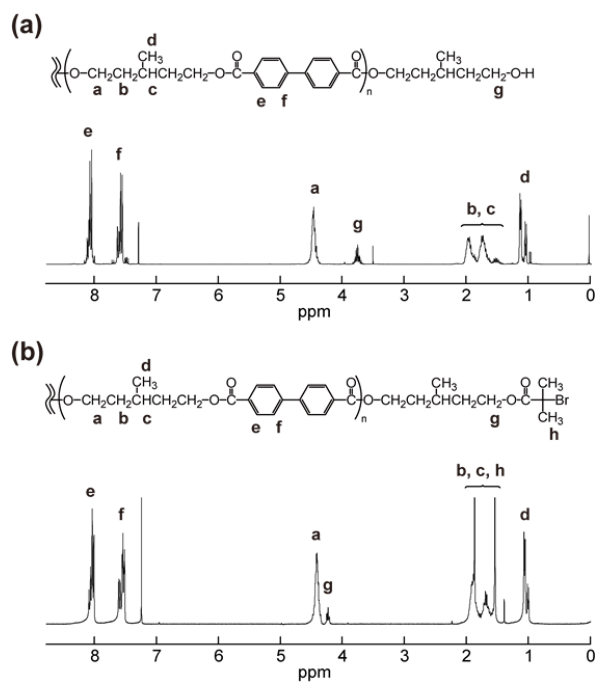


Figure S2. ^1H NMR spectra of (a) hydroxyl-terminated BB_n and (b) a SEC-fractionated BB_9 macroinitiator.

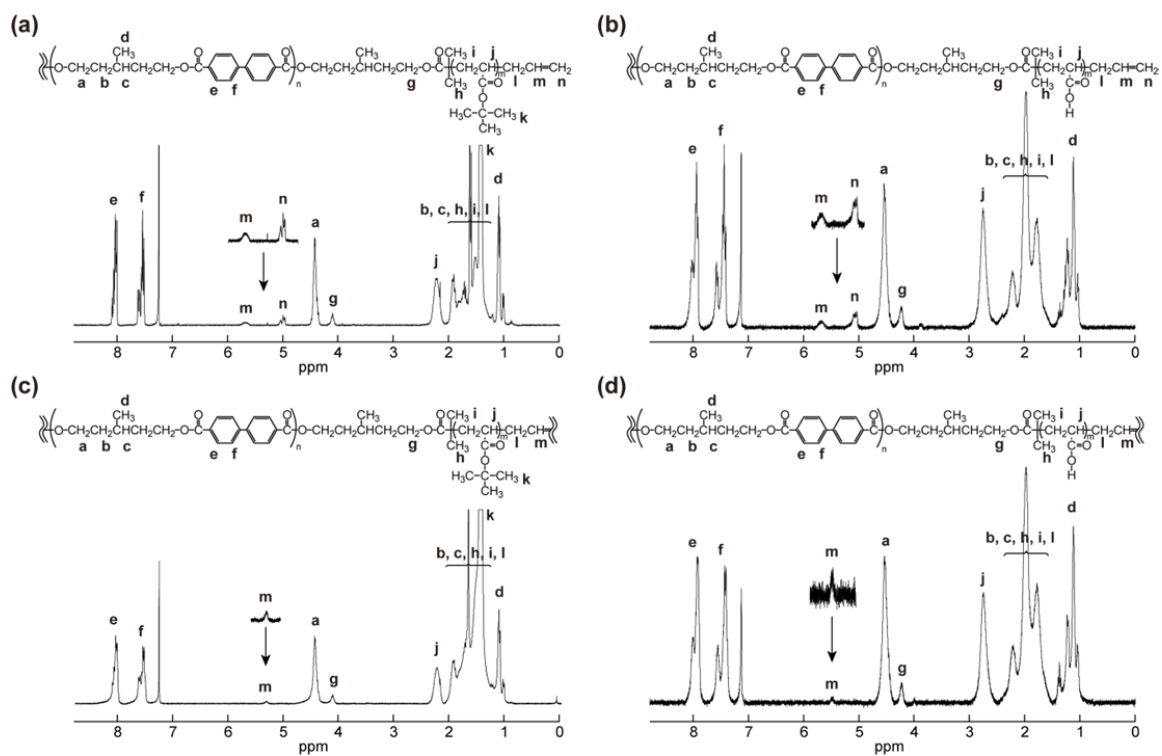


Figure S3. ^1H NMR spectra of (a) linear $t\text{BA}_{21}\text{BB}_9t\text{BA}_{21}$, (b) cyclic $t\text{BA}_{31}\text{BB}_{10}$, (c) linear $\text{AA}_{21}\text{BB}_9\text{AA}_{21}$, and (d) cyclic $\text{AA}_{33}\text{BB}_{10}$.

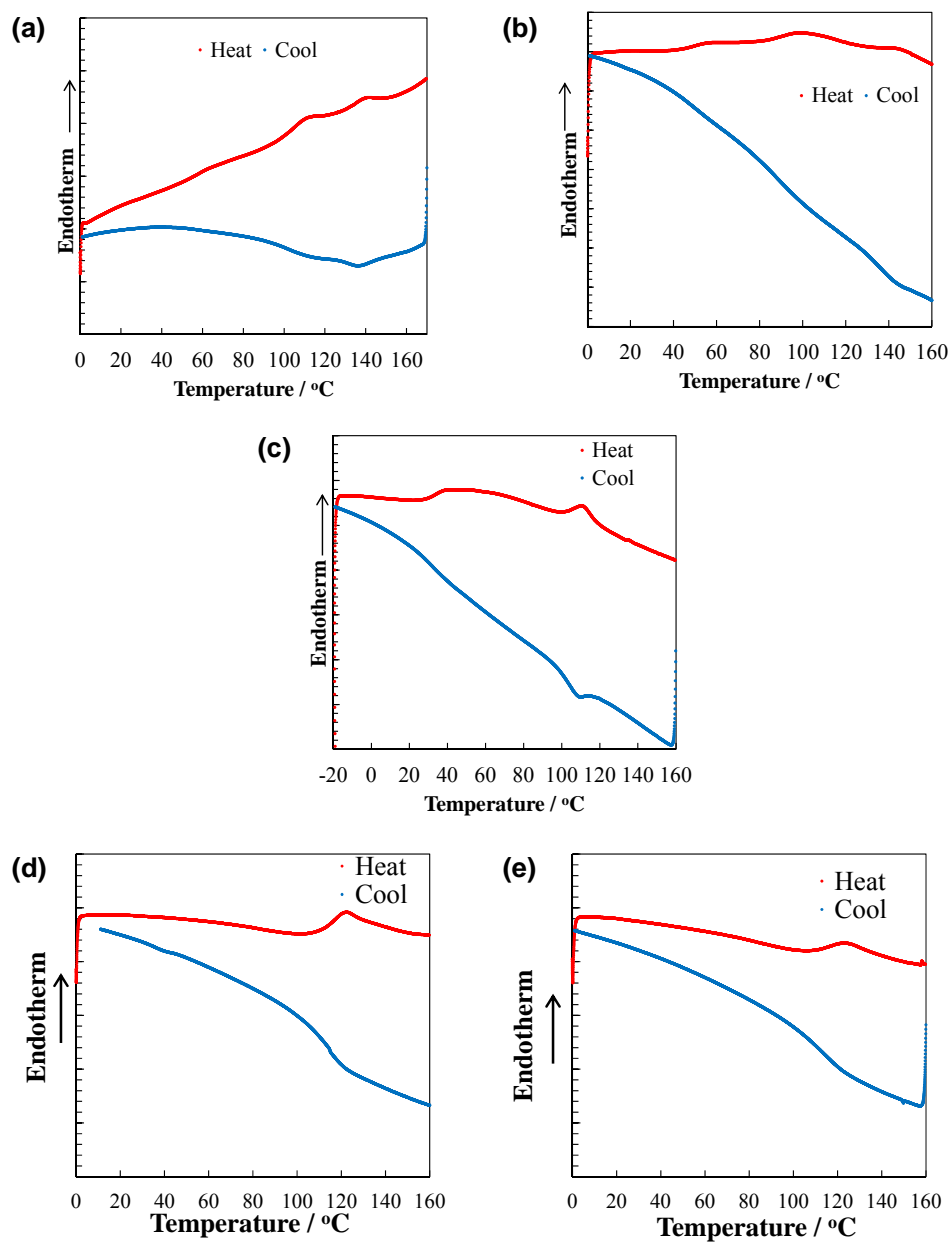


Figure S4. DSC thermograms of (a) linear AA₂₁BB₉AA₂₁, (b) cyclic AA₃₃BB₁₀, (c) cyclic AA₅₁BB₁₈, (d) linear AA₄₄BB₉AA₄₄, and (e) cyclic AA₁₀₀BB₉.

Table S1. T_i , $T_{g, AA}$, $T_{g, BB}$, and ΔH_i of linear AA₂₁BB₉AA₂₁, cyclic AA₃₃BB₁₀, cyclic AA₅₁BB₁₈, linear *t*BA₅₀BB₈*t*BA₅₀, linear AA₄₄BB₉AA₄₄, and cyclic AA₁₀₀BB₉

	$T_{g, BB}$ (°C)	$T_{g, AA}$ (°C)	T_i (°C)	ΔH_i (kJ mol ⁻¹)
linear AA ₂₁ BB ₉ AA ₂₁	58	106	140	0.56
cyclic AA ₃₃ BB ₁₀	49	94	145	0.50
cyclic AA ₅₁ BB ₁₈	33	-	111	2.33
linear <i>t</i> BA ₅₀ BB ₈ <i>t</i> BA ₅₀	37	-	-	-
linear AA ₄₄ BB ₉ AA ₄₄	-	114	-	-
cyclic AA ₁₀₀ BB ₉	-	115	-	-

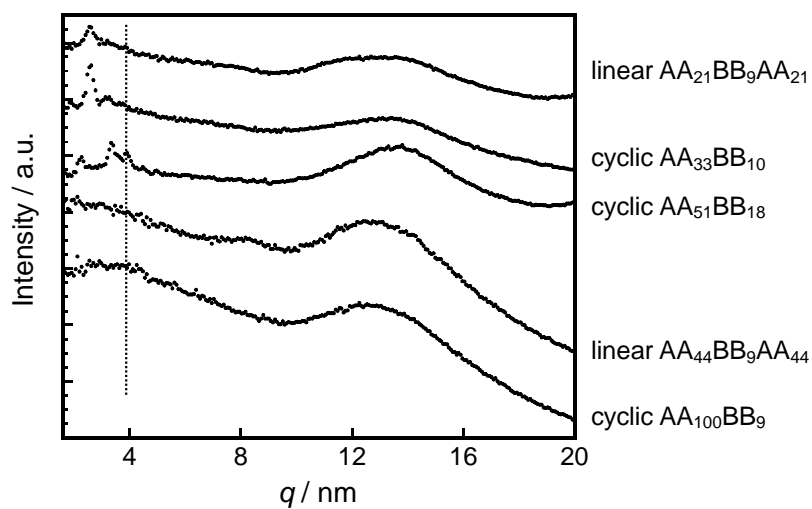


Figure S5. WAXD intensity profiles of linear AA₂₁BB₉AA₂₁, cyclic AA₃₃BB₁₀, cyclic AA₅₁BB₁₈, linear AA₄₄BB₉AA₄₄, and cyclic AA₁₀₀BB₉. The dashed line marks the peak position of smectic layer reflection ($q = 3.86 \text{ nm}^{-1}$). The reflections at $q < 3.86 \text{ nm}^{-1}$ are ascribed to the lamellar microdomains.

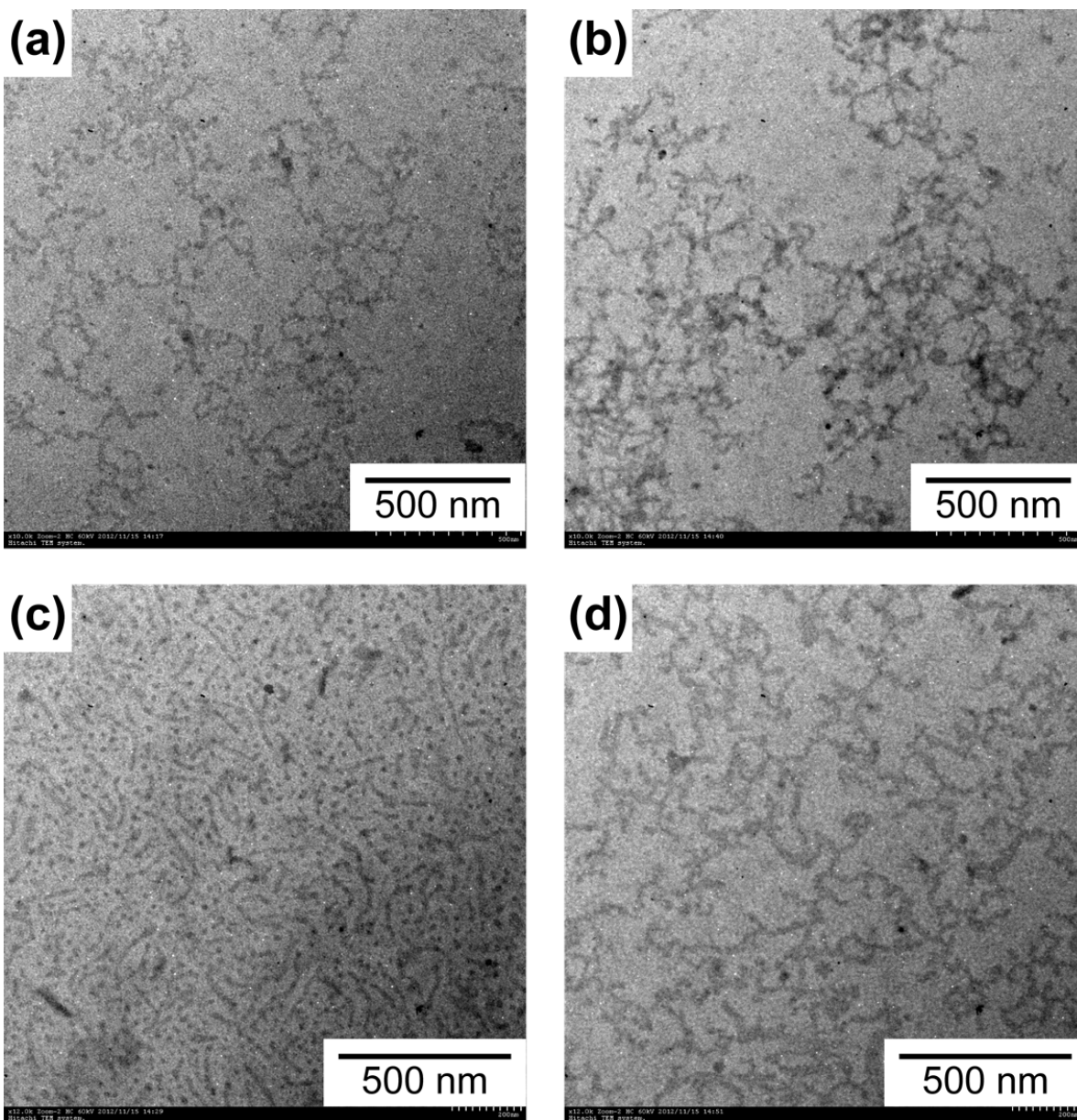


Figure S6. TEM images of self-assembled structures from linear $AA_{21}BB_9AA_{21}$ and cyclic $AA_{33}BB_{10}$ using an initial THF solution with a polymer concentration (c_0) of 1.0 and 10 mg/mL. (a) Linear, $c_0 = 1.0$ mg/mL. (b) Cyclic, $c_0 = 1.0$ mg/mL. (c) Linear, $c_0 = 10$ mg/mL. (d) Cyclic, $c_0 = 10$ mg/mL.

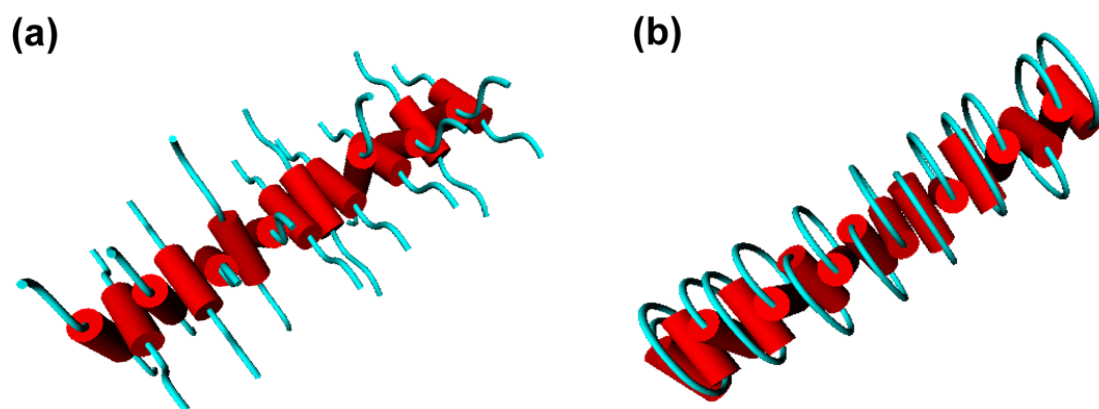


Figure S7. Models for cylindrical micelles self-assembled from (a) linear AA₂₁BB₉AA₂₁ and AA₂₅BB₁₄AA₂₅ and (b) cyclic AA₃₃BB₁₀ and AA₅₁BB₁₈. Light blue and red indicate AA_{(2)m} and BB_n segments, respectively.

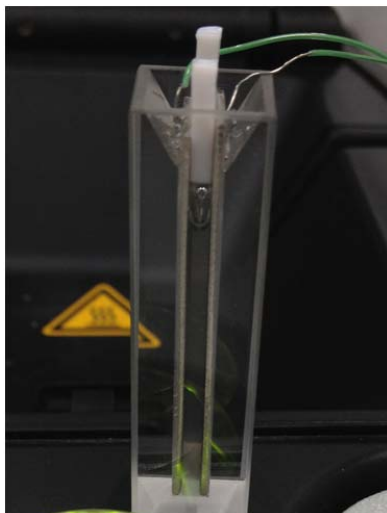


Figure S8. A photograph for an experimental setup to apply an electric field. Two platinum plates ($10\text{ mm} \times 40\text{ mm} \times 1.0\text{ mm}$) were equipped to the inside walls of a quartz cell facing each other with 2 mm separation. Wire leads were soldered to the platinum plates to connect to a Kawaguchi Electric Works V7032A high voltage DC power supply. A suspension (0.4 mL) of self-assembled linear $AA_mBB_nAA_m$, cyclic $AA_{2m}BB_n$, or linear $AA_{134}St_{34}AA_{134}$ was added to the cell, and electric field was applied at 1.5 V/mm for 2 min.

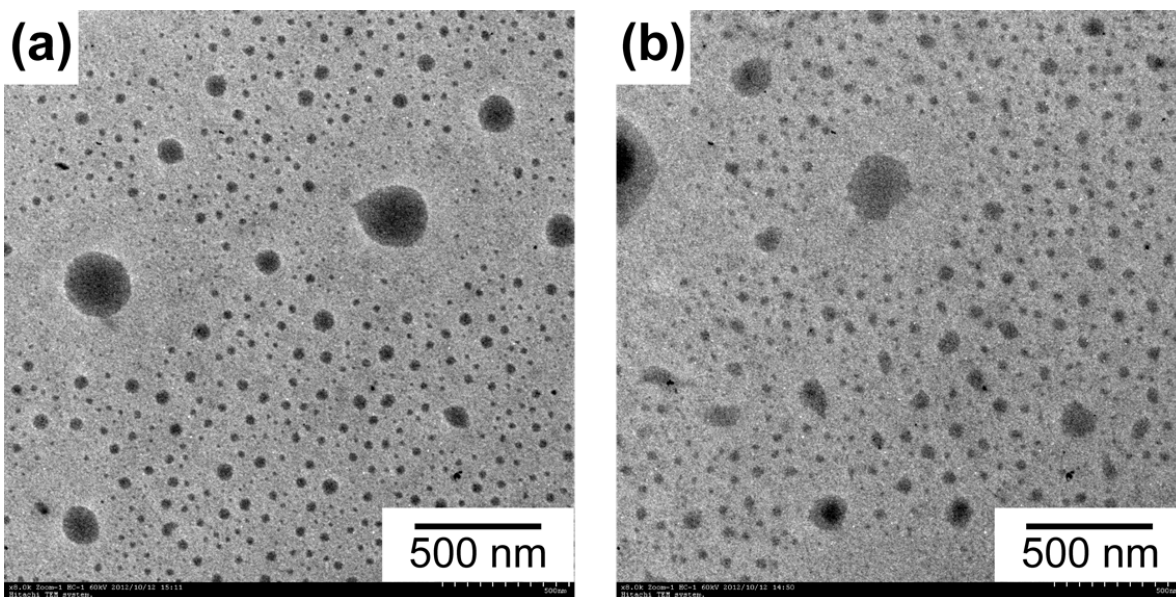


Figure S9. TEM images of self-assembled structures from linear AA₁₃₄St₃₄AA₁₃₄ (a) before and (b) after applying an electric field of 1.5 V/mm for 2 min.