

## Supporting Information

# Di-amidosils with Tunable Structure, Morphology and Emission Quantum Yield: The Role of Hydrogen Bonding.

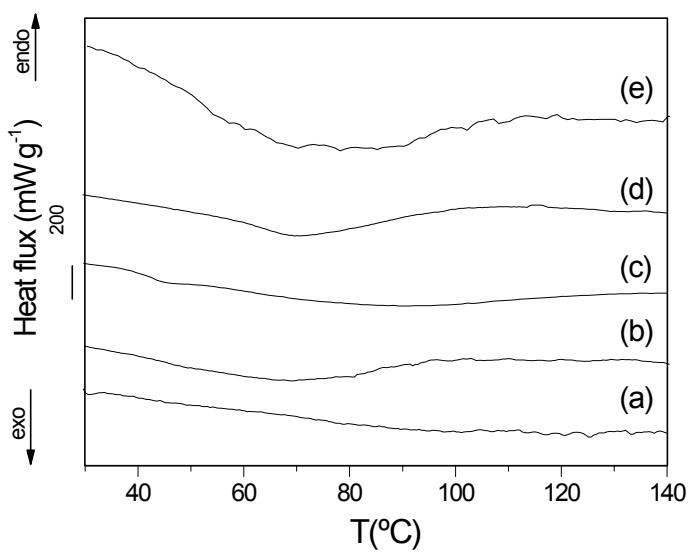
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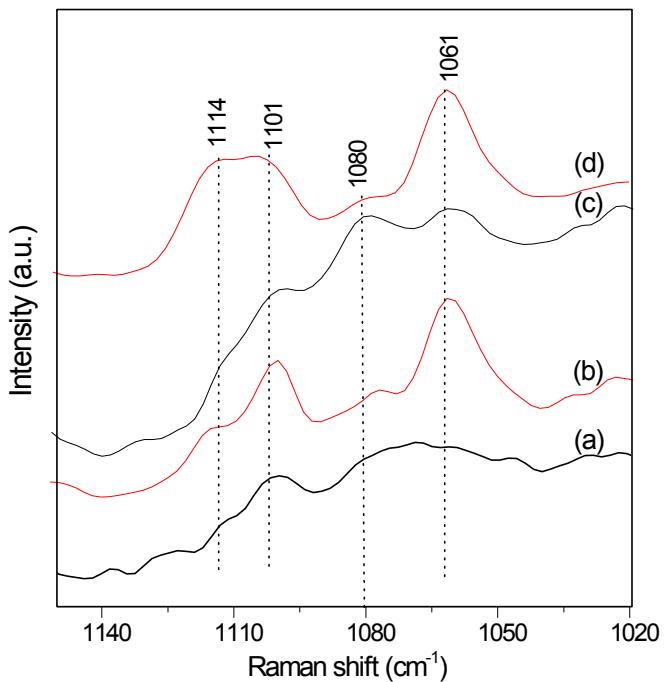
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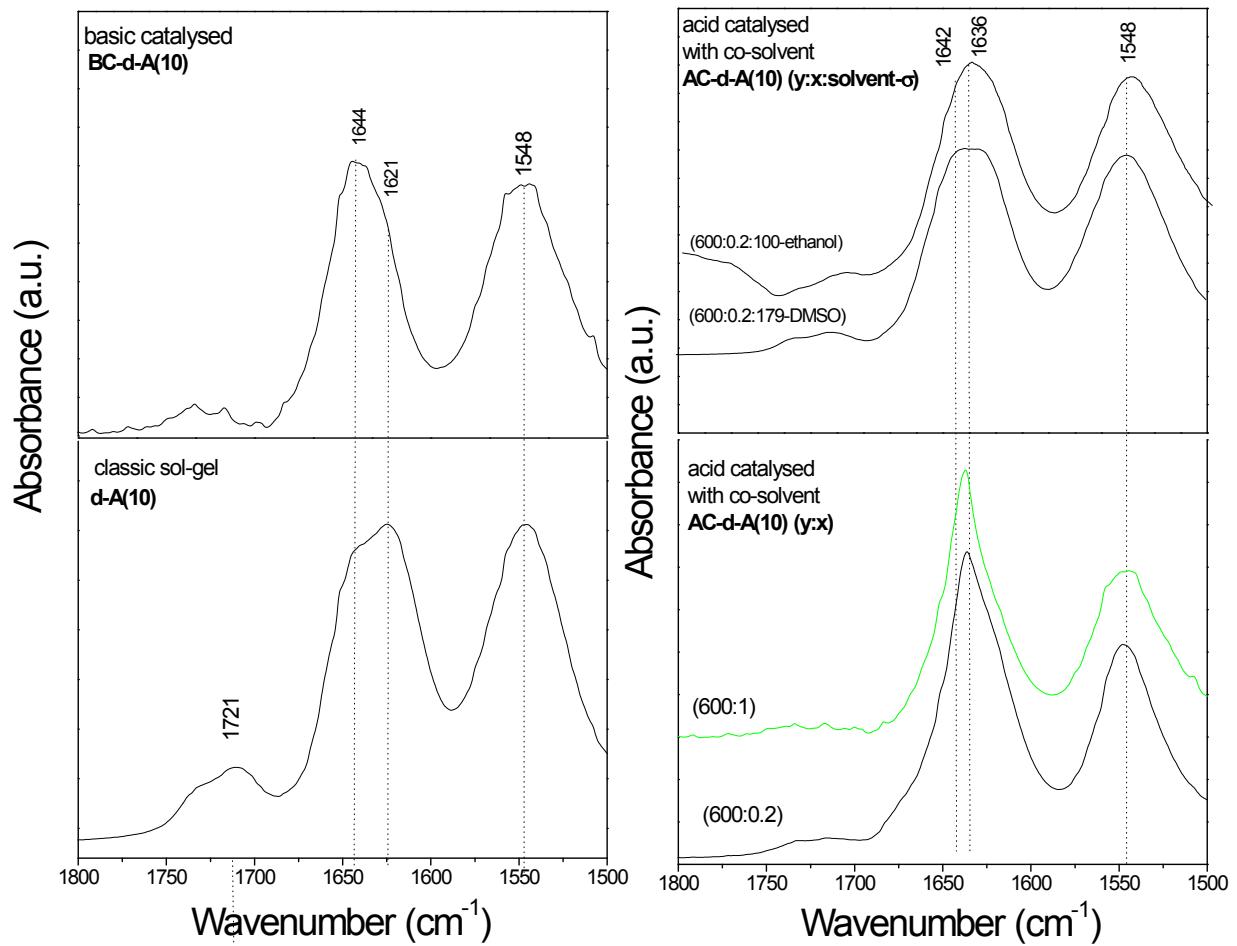
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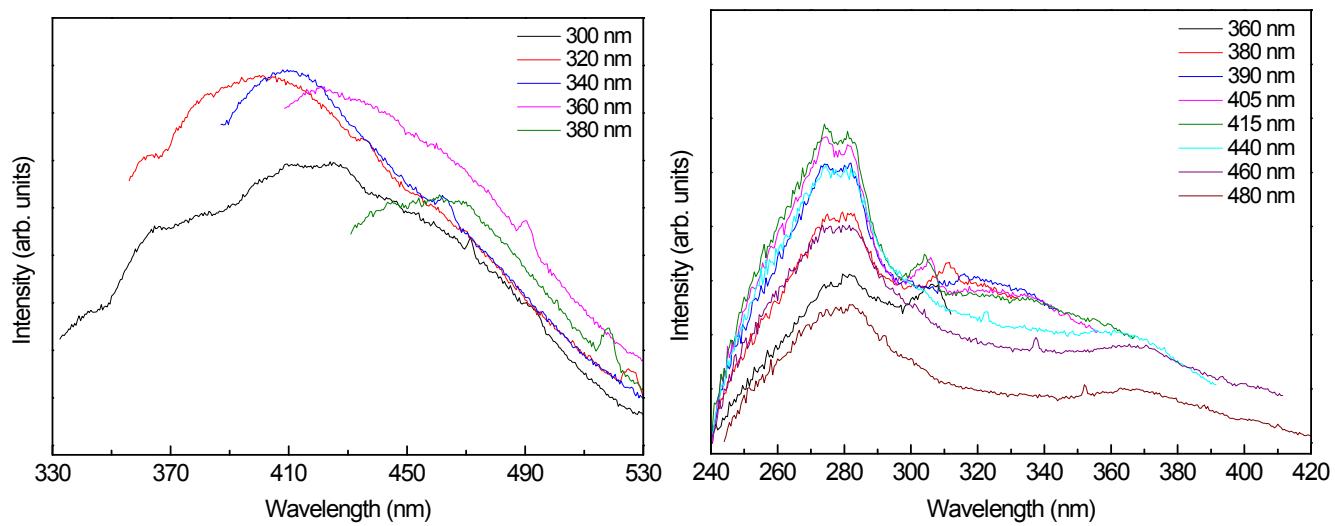
**Figure S1.** DSC curves of the SG-d-A(10) (a), BC-d-A(10) (b), AC-d-A(10) (600:0.2:0) (c), AC-d-A(10) (600:0.2:100(ethanol)) (d) and AC-d-A(10) (600:1:0) (e) di-amidosils.



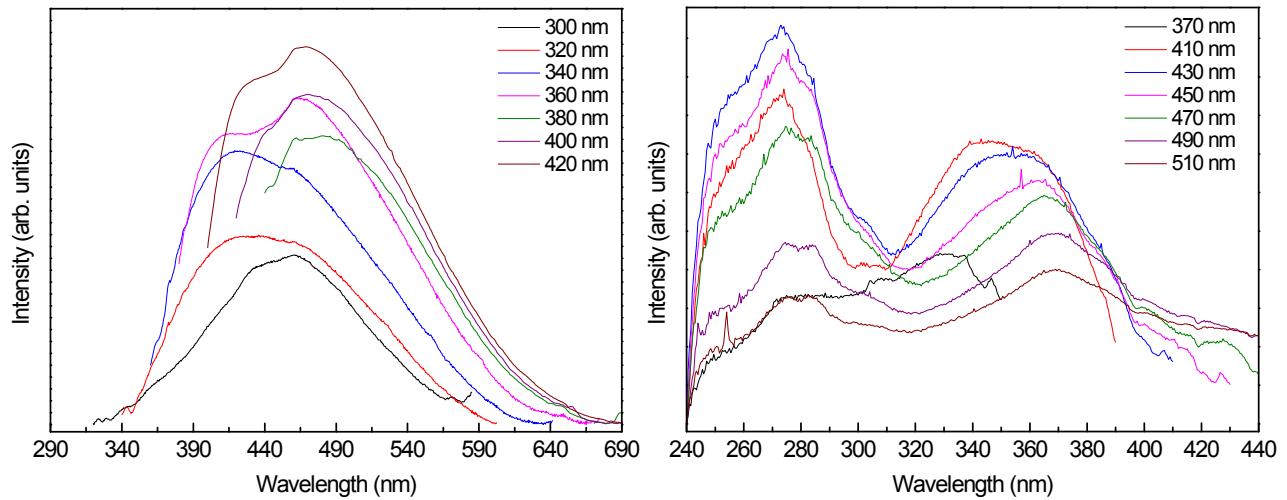
**Figure S2.** FT-Raman spectra of the d-A(10)-SG (a), AC-d-A(10) ((600:0.2:0) (b) AC-d-A(10) (600:0.2:100(ethanol)) (c) and AC-d-A(10) ((600:1:0) (d) di-amidosils in the vC-C region.



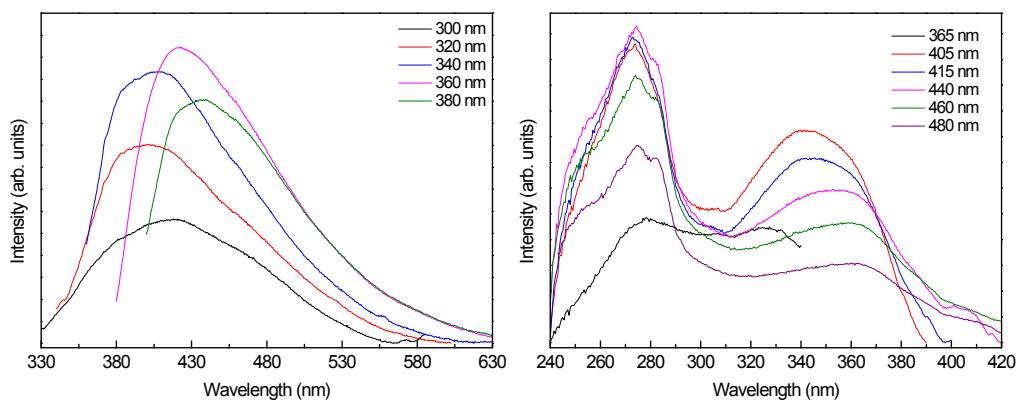
**Figure S3** FT-IR spectra in the amide I and amide II regions of d-A(10), AC-d-A(10) (y:x), AC-d-A(10) (y:x: solvent- $\sigma$ ) and BC-d-A(10) di-amide alkyl/siloxane hybrid materials.



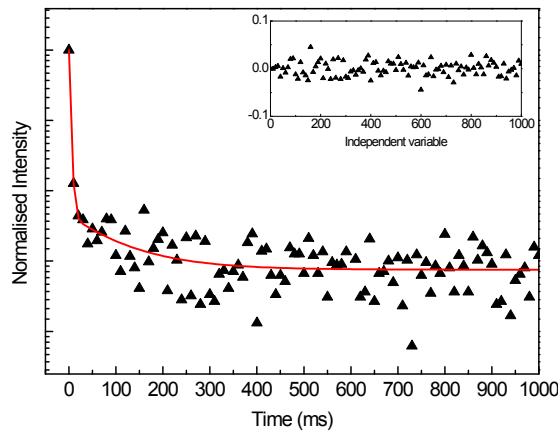
**Figure S4.** Low-temperature, 12 K, (left) emission and (right) excitation spectra of SG-d-A(10) as function of the excitation and monitoring wavelengths, respectively.



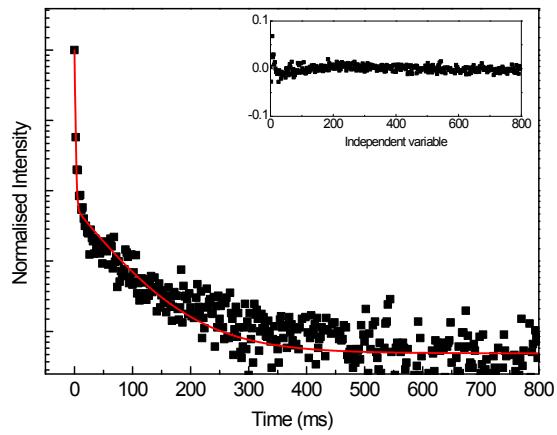
**Figure S5.** Low-temperature, 12 K, (left) emission and (right) excitation spectra of AC-d-A(10)(600:0.2:0) as function of the excitation and monitoring wavelengths, respectively.



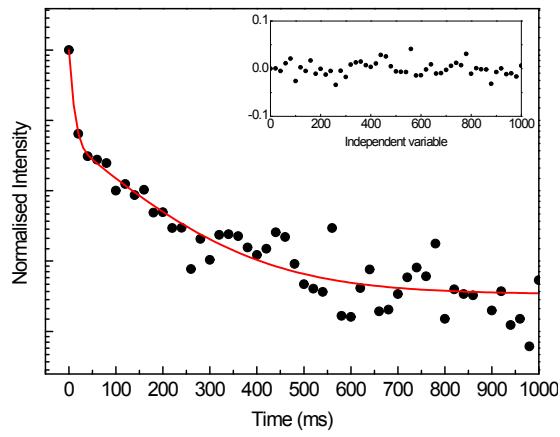
**Figure S6.** Low-temperature, 12 K, (left) emission and (right) excitation spectra of BC-d-A(10) as function of the excitation and monitoring wavelengths, respectively.



**Figure S7.** Low-temperature, 12 K, emission decay curves of SG-d-A(10) excited at 360 nm and monitored at 500 nm. The solid line represents the data best fit using a bi-exponential function;  $I(t)=I_1 \times \exp(-(t-t_0)/\tau_1) + I_2 \times \exp(-(t-t_0)/\tau_2)$ ,  $t_0=0.05$  ms. The inset shows the regular residual plot for a better judgement of the fit quality ( $R^2>0.96$ ).



**Figure S8.** Low-temperature, 12 K, emission decay curves of AC-d-A(10)(600:0.2:0) excited at 360 nm and monitored at 495 nm. The solid line represents the data best fit using a bi-exponential function;  $I(t)=I_1 \times \exp(-(t-t_0)/\tau_1)+I_2 \times \exp(-(t-t_0)/\tau_2)$ ,  $t_0=0.05$  ms. The inset shows the regular residual plot for a better judgement of the fit quality ( $R^2>0.98$ ).



**Figure S9.** Low-temperature, 12 K, emission decay curves of BC-d-A(10) excited at 360 nm and monitored at 490 nm. The solid line represents the data best fit using a bi-exponential function;  $I(t)=I_1 \times \exp(-(t-t_0)/\tau_1)+I_2 \times \exp(-(t-t_0)/\tau_2)$ ,  $t_0=0.05$  ms. The inset shows the regular residual plot for a better judgement of the fit quality ( $R^2>0.96$ ).

**Table S1** Relevant details of the various synthesis conditions used to produce the acid- and base-catalyzed d-A(10)-based di-amidosils.

Acid-catalyzed hydrolysis		AC-d-A(10) (y:x: $\sigma$ (solvent))
molar ratio precursor:H <sub>2</sub> O:HCl:co-solvent = 1:y:x: $\sigma$		
Materials	Without co-solvent	
	1:600:1:0	1:600:0.2:0
d-ADPTES(10)	1gr (1.57 mmol)	1gr (1.57 mmol)
H <sub>2</sub> O	17 mL (942 mmol)	17 mL (942 mmol)
HCl (1 M)	1.6 mL (1.57 mmol)	314 $\mu$ L (0.314 mmol)
With co-solvent		
	1:600:0.2:179(DMSO)	1:600:0.2:100(CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH)
d-ADPTES(10)	1g (1.57 mmol)	1g (1.57 mmol)
H <sub>2</sub> O	17 mL (942 mmol)	17 mL (942 mmol)
HCl (1 M)	314 $\mu$ L (0.314 mmol)	314 $\mu$ L (0.314 mmol)
DMSO	20 mL (0.281 mol)	-
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	-	9 mL (0.157 mol)
Base-catalyzed hydrolysis		BC-d-A(10)
molar precursor:H <sub>2</sub> O:CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH:NaOH = 1:39:315:0.23		
d-ADPTES(10)	0.8421 g (1.32 mmol)	
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	3 mL (51.4 mmol)	
H <sub>2</sub> O	7.5 mL (417 mmol)	
NaOH (3 M)	100 $\mu$ L (0.3 mmol)	

**Table S2** Details and attribution of the components of the FT-IR amide I and amide II bands of the SG-d-A(10), AC-d-A(10)-based and BC-d-A(10) di-amidosils. F, D and O stand for free, disordered and ordered.

FT-IR amide I and amide II bands								
Samples		$\bar{\nu}$ (in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) (fwhm in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) (area in %)						
SG-d-A(10)		1733 (18) (3)	1710 (28) (3.4)	1656 (22) (5.4)	1639 (28) (22)	1617 (31) (23)	1562 (35) (19)	1537 (35) (23)
AC-d-A(10) (y:x)	y = 600; x = 1			1647 (16) (15)	1635 (16) (25)	1619 (23) (15)	1557 (24) (17)	1543 (31) (25)
	y = 600; x = 0.2			1649 (25) (13)	1635 (18) (22)	1619 (22) (29)	1555 (24) (14)	1543 (30) (21)
AC-d-A(10) (y:x: $\sigma$ -solvent)	y = 600; x = 0.2, 179 -DMSO	1726 (16) (1.0)	1707 (21) (2.6)	1650 (25) (12)	1636 (33) (20)	1618 (35) (21)	1558 (40) (21)	1539 (41) (22)
	y = 600; x = 0.2:100- ethanol	1730 (13) (0.5)	1713 (14) (0.7)	1652 (24) (11)	1636 (29) (22)	1618 (29) (18)	1560 (37) (19)	1540 (39) (27)
BC-d-A(10)		1736 (26) (23)	1718 (27) (1.4)	1656 (25) (17)	1640 (19) (16)	1623 (25) (19)	1560 (26) (20)	1539 (27) (24)
Attribution		F	D1	D2	O1	O2	amide II	
amide I								