Supporting Information

Optically Active Helical Vinylbiphenyl Polymers with Reversible Thermally Induced Stereomutation

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Figure S1. TGA thermograms of S-(+)-I-Pm/R-(-)-I-PO recorded at a heating rate of 20 °C/min under nitrogen atmosphere



Figure S2. DSC curves of S-(+)-I-Pm/R-(-)-I-PO recorded during the second heating scanning at a rate of 20 °C/min under nitrogen atmosphere



Figure S3. ¹³C NMR spectra of *R*-(-)-I-MO (upper) and *R*-(-)-I-PO (lower) recorded in CDCl₃ at 25 °C.



(B) R-(-)-I-M0 (10 wt%) in 5CB



(D) S-(+)-I-M2 (14 wt%) in 5CB



(A) **S-(+)-I-M0** (10 wt%) in 5CB



(C) S-(+)-I-M1 (12 wt%) in 5CB



(E) S-(+)-I-M3 (16 wt%) in 5CB

Figure S4. Fingerprint textures of SCB doped with *R*-(-)-I-M0/*S*-(+)-I-Mm (10 wt%), p \approx 7.5 µm. Taken under cross-polarized optical microscope at 20 °C



Figure S5. CD spectra of induced cholesteric phases of 5CB doped with R-(-)-I-MO/S-(+)-I-Mm at 20 °C



Figure S6. Temperature variable CD spectra of S-(+)-I-P0 in anisole Quartz cell: 1 mm in thickness (c

0.4 mM)

Monomer	[α] ²⁵ 365(°) ^b	Polymer	[α] ²⁵ 365(°) ^f
R-(-)-I-M0	-77.6	R-(-)-I-P0	160.0
S-(+)-I-M0	89.2	S-(+)-I-PO	-139.0
S-(+)-I-M1	14.3	S-(+)-I-P1	-53.1
S-(+)-I-M2	0.7	S-(+)-I-P2	5.1
S-(+)-I-M3	16.1	S-(+)-I-P3	12.0

Table S1. Chiroptical properties of polymers prepared at 25°C^a

^a Polymerization condition: solvent, anisole; temperature, 25 °C; monomer concentration, 20 wt%; initiator, BPO; [M]/[I]= 250. ^b Specific optical rotation of monomer in unit of degree was measured in a 1 dm cell at a concentration of ca. 2.0 mg/mL in THF at 25 °C. ^f Specific optical rotation of polymer in unit of degree was measured in a 1 dm cell at a concentration a concentration of ca. 2.0 mg/mL in THF at 25 °C.