

## Supporting Information

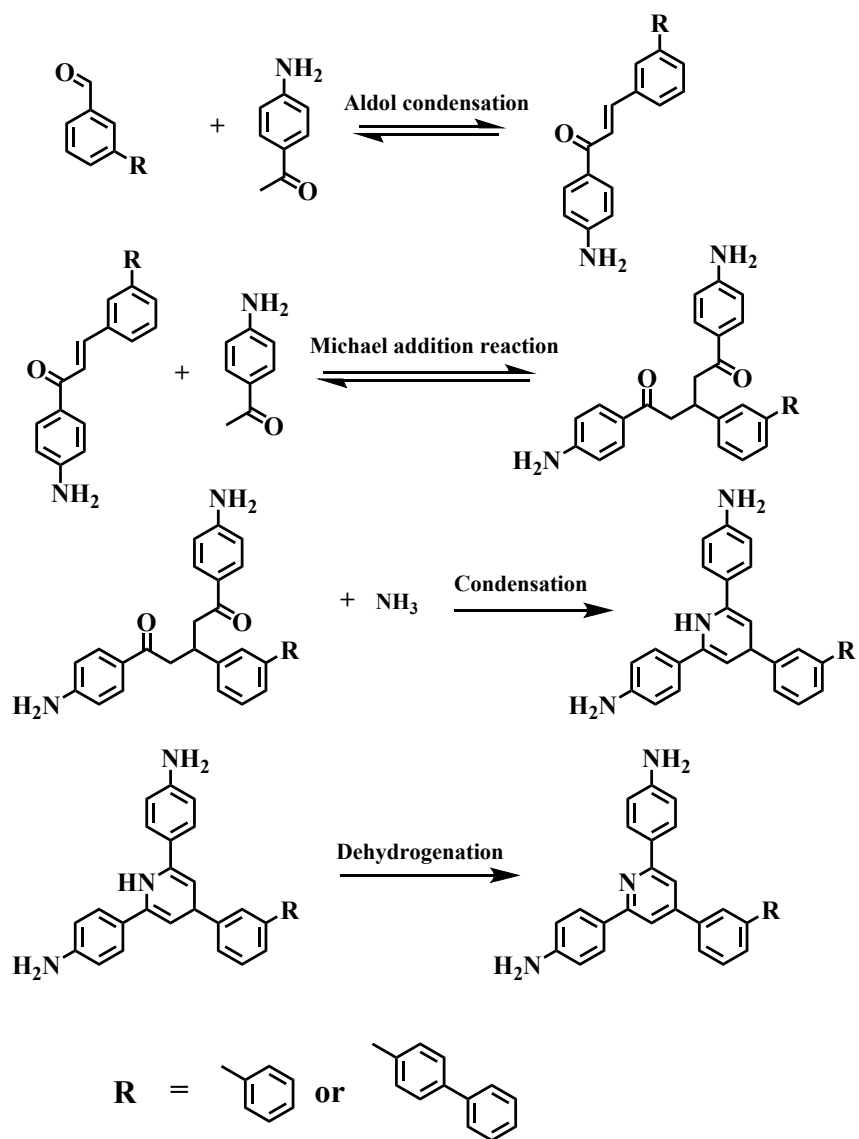
# Intrinsic Low Dielectric Constant Polyimides: Relationship between Molecular Structures and Dielectric Properties

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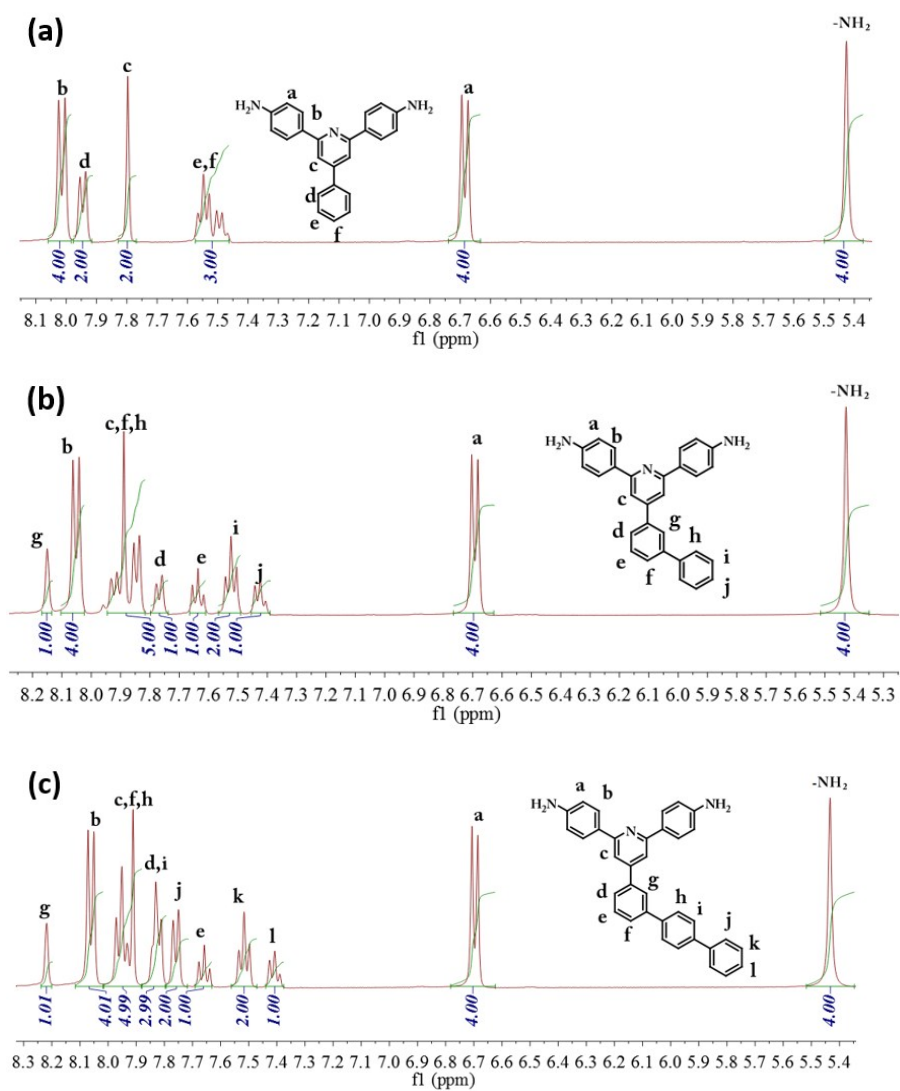
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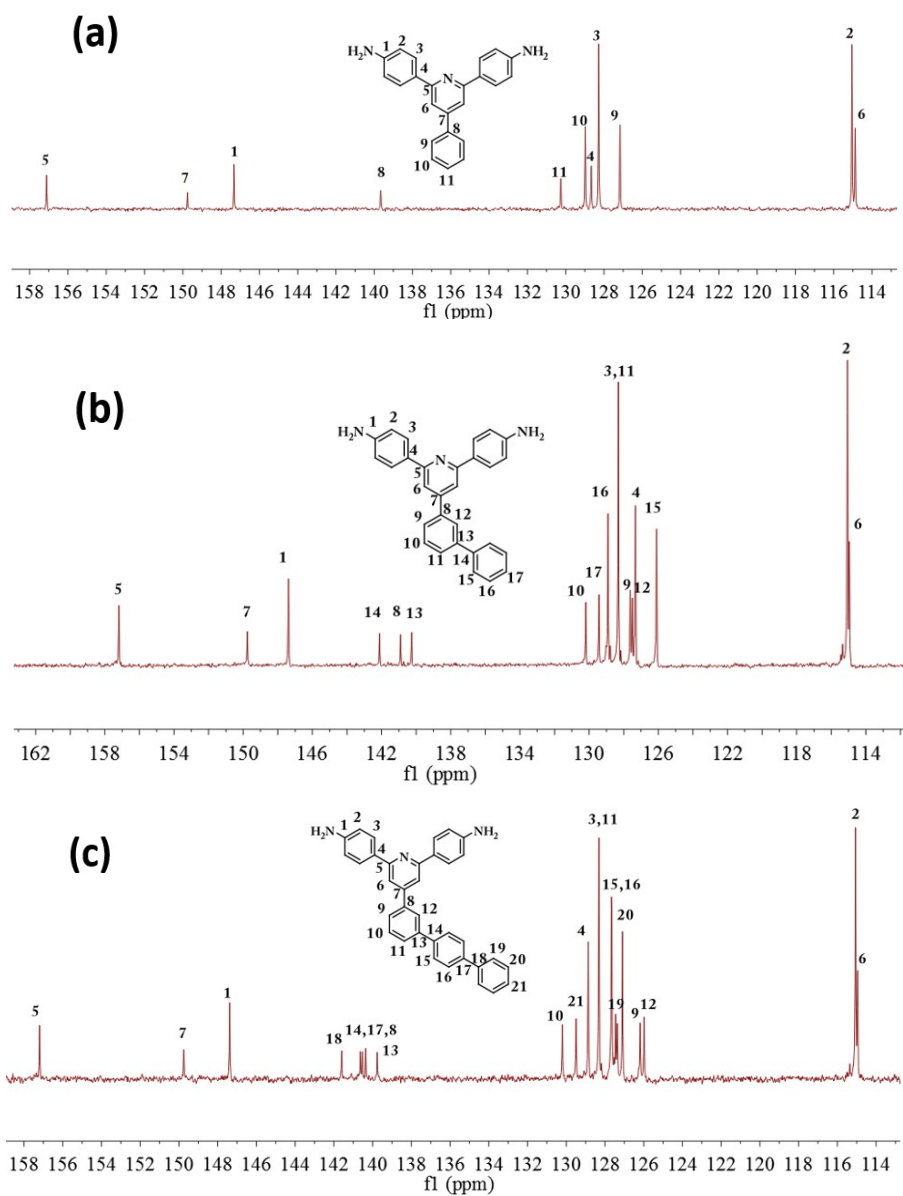
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**Scheme S1.** Reaction mechanism discussion of synthesizing mBPPy and mTPPy.



**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of the diamines PPy (a), mBPPy (b) and mTPPy (c).



**Figure S2.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of diamines **PPy** (a), **mBPPy** (b) and **mTPPy** (c).

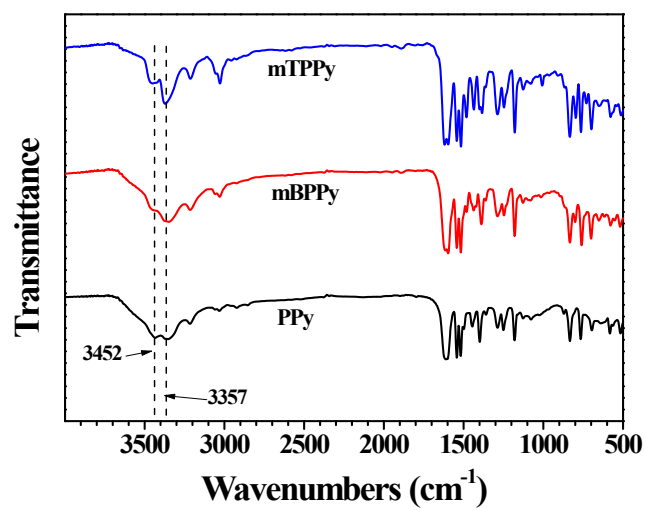
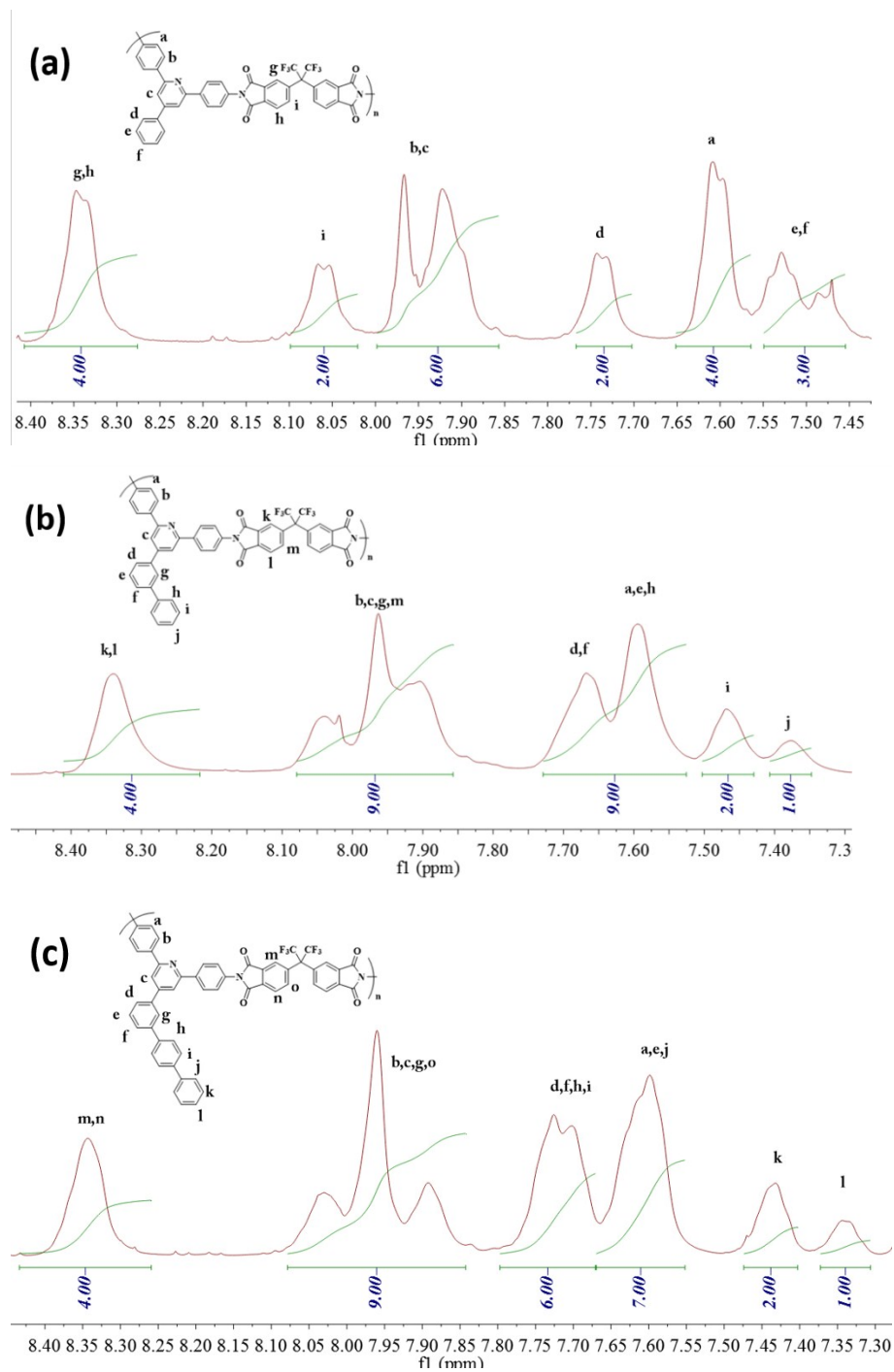


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**Figure S4.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of polyimides PPy6F (a), mBPPy6F (b) and mTPPy6F (c).

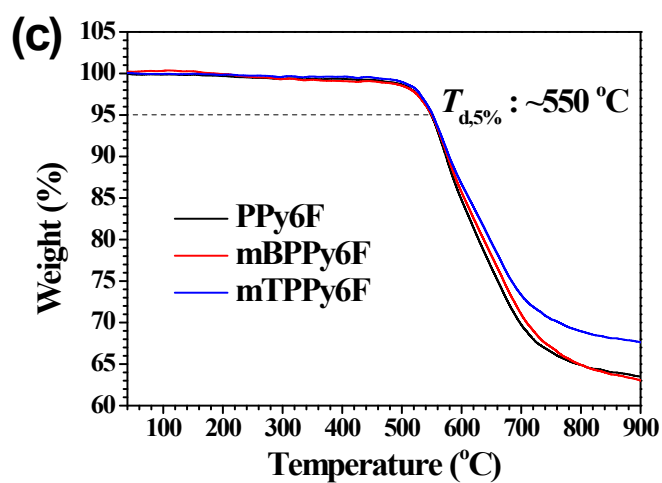
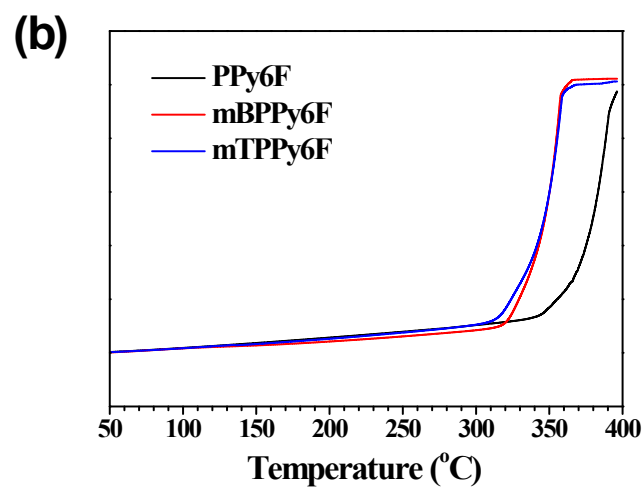
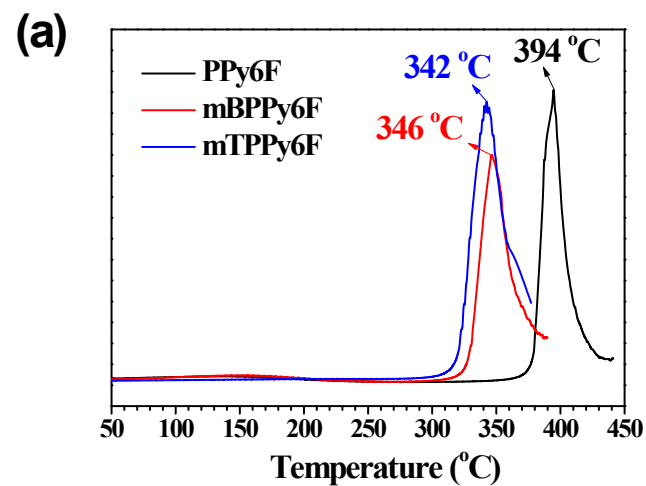


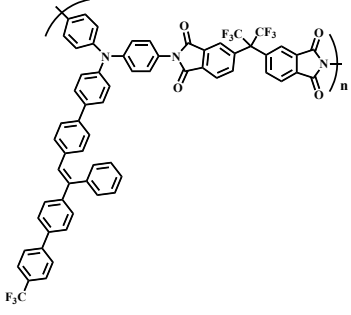
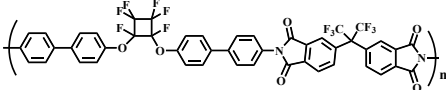
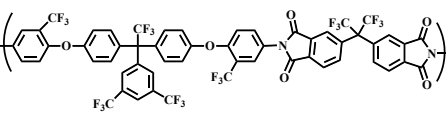
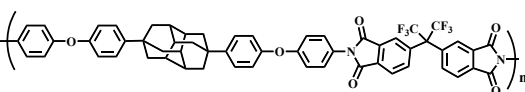
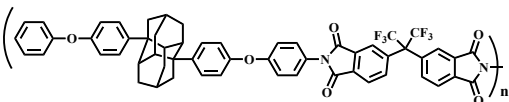
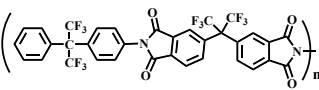
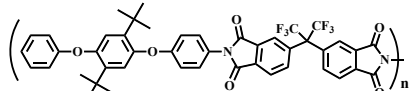
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**Table S1.** The details in dielectric measurements of polyimides at 10<sup>4</sup> Hz

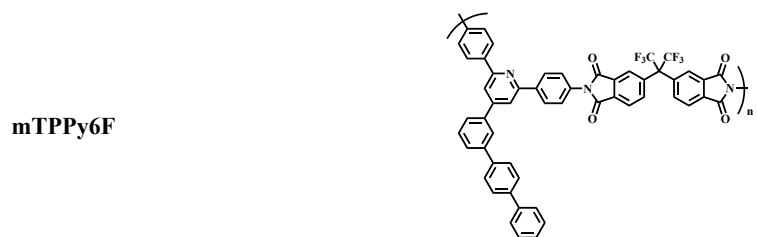
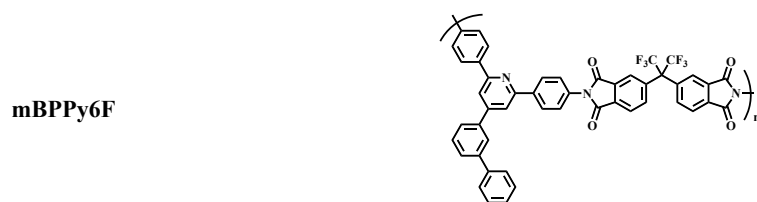
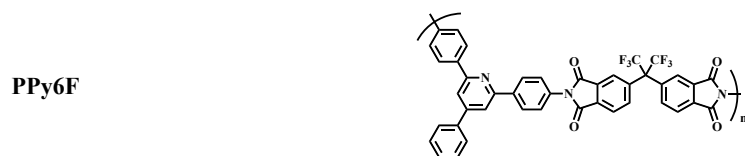
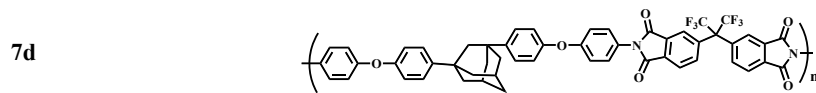
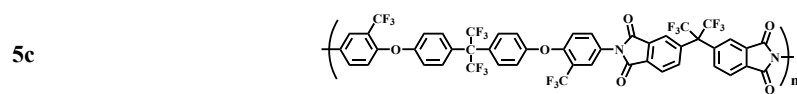
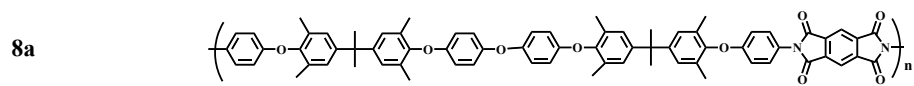
Polyimides	$A$ ( $\times 10^{-4}$ m <sup>2</sup> )	$k_0$ ( $\times 10^{-12}$ F·m <sup>-1</sup> )	$l$ ( $\times 10^{-6}$ m)	$C$ ( $\times 10^{-11}$ F)	$k$
<b>PPy6F</b>	1.0404	8.854	113	2.29	2.81
<b>mBPPy6F</b>	1.0404	8.854	105	2.29	2.61
<b>mTPPy6F</b>	1.0404	8.854	100	2.25	2.44

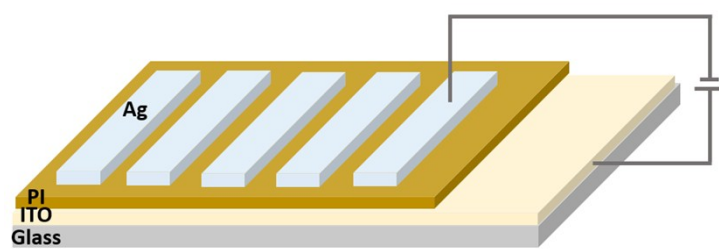
The error of the film thickness is  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  m, the relative error is 0.9%-1%, the error of the capacitance is  $1 \times 10^{-13}$  F, the relative error is about 0.5%. According to the Eqn.1, the relative error of  $k$  is 1.5%.

**Table S2.** Intrinsic low- $k$  polyimides and their structure. <sup>20, 21, 50-57</sup>

Polyimides	Structure
<b>FPTTPI</b>	
<b>PFCBBPPI</b>	
<b>PI-8</b>	
<b>7d''</b>	
<b>7d'</b>	
<b>PI-1</b>	
<b>5d</b>	







**Figure S6.** Schematic diagram of the devices fabricated with PIs.