Supporting Information

Photomechanical bending behavior of photochromic diarylethene crystals induced under polarized light

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Video S4. Photomechanical crystal bending behavior upon irradiation with UV light at θ_{max} from left side followed by irradiation with visible light from left side.

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	1a	2a
Formula	$C_{51}H_{34}F_6O_4S_2\\$	$C_{29}H_{22}F_6O_2S_2$
Formula weight	888.92	580.59
Temperature / K	138(2)	293(2)
Crystal system	triclinic	monoclinic
Space group	$P\overline{1}$	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ /c
a / Å	6.838(2)	18.727(4)
b/Å	15.416(6)	6.643(1)
c /Å	20.719(8)	21.459(4)
α/°	70.74(3)	90
β/°	88.28(3)	101.035(3)
γ / °	89.84(3)	90
Volume /Å ³	2060.9(13)	2620.1(9)
Z	2	4
Density / g cm ⁻³	1.432	1.472
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.046	0.962
$R[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0442$	$R_1 = 0.0389$
	$wR_2 = 0.0868$	$wR_2 = 0.0878$
R (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0864$	$R_1 = 0.0810$
	$wR_2 = 0.0912$	$wR_2 = 0.1019$
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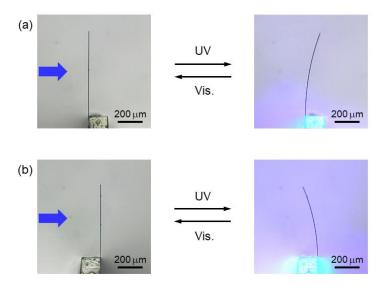


Figure S1. Photomechanical bending behavior with non-polarized UV light and visible light for crystals 1a (a) and 2a (b).

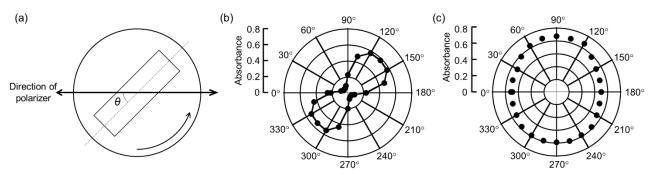


Figure S2. (a) The definition of rotation angle θ and absorption anisotropy of the closed-ring isomer in crystals **1a** (b) and **2a** (c).

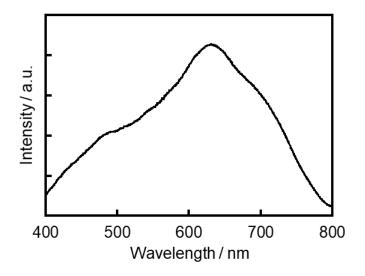


Figure S3. Spectrum of the incident visible light.

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