

## Supplementary Information

# Selectivity and bio-compatibility of self-assembled chiral flower-like and helical nanostructures

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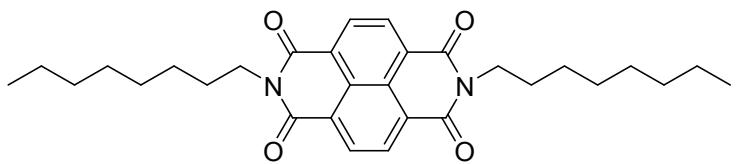
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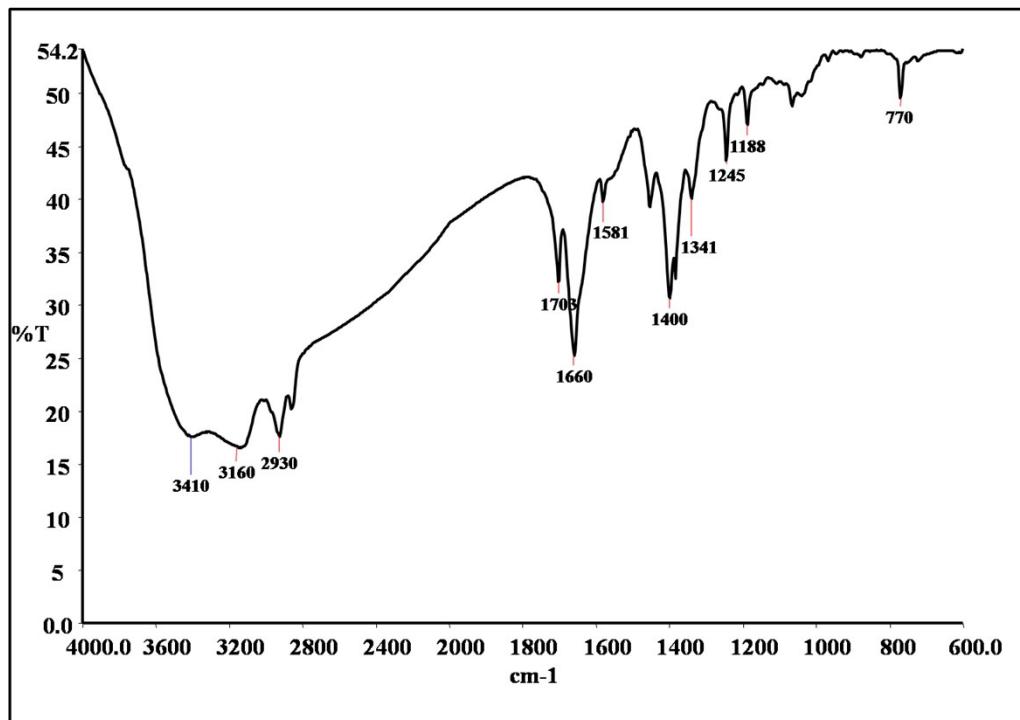
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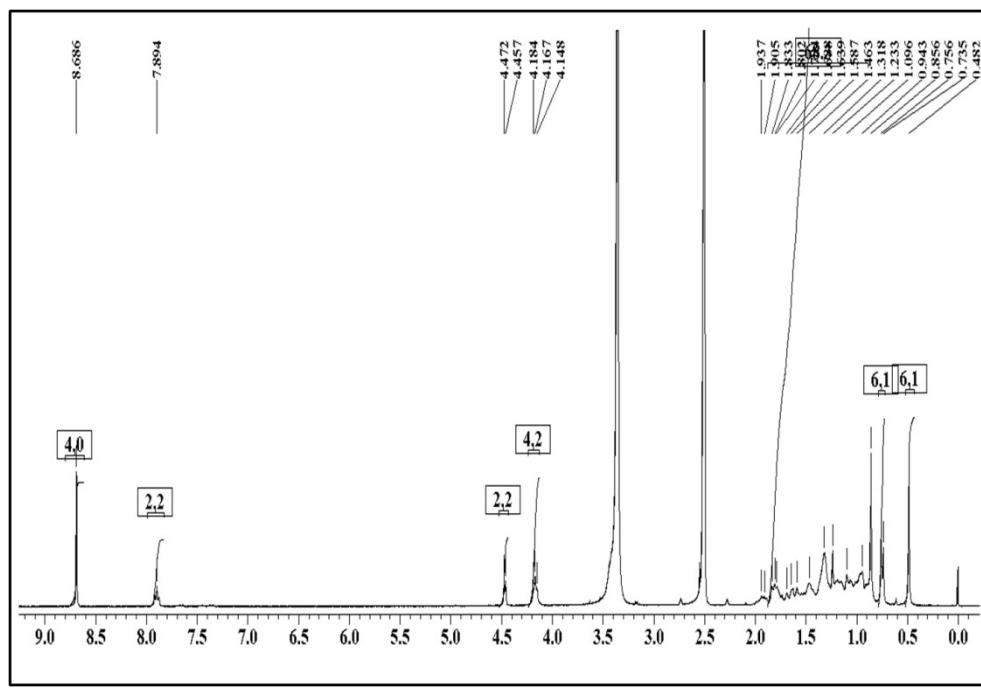
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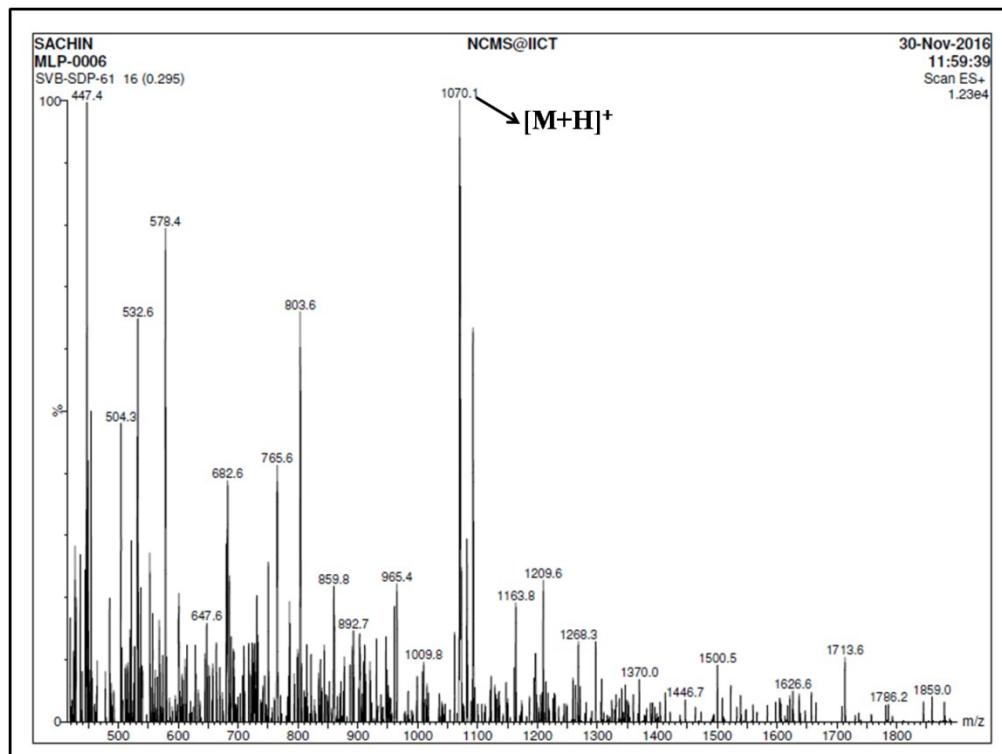
**Scheme S1.** Structure of NDI control molecule



**Fig. S1** FT-IR spectra of NDI-LCA.



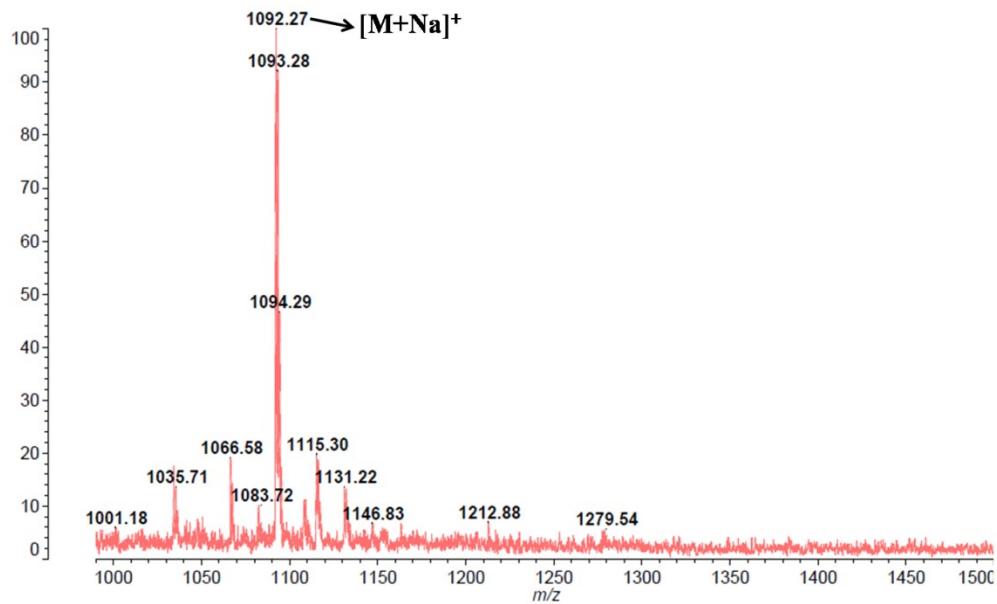
**Fig. S2** $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of NDI-LCA.



**Fig. S3**ESI mass spectra of NDI-LCA.

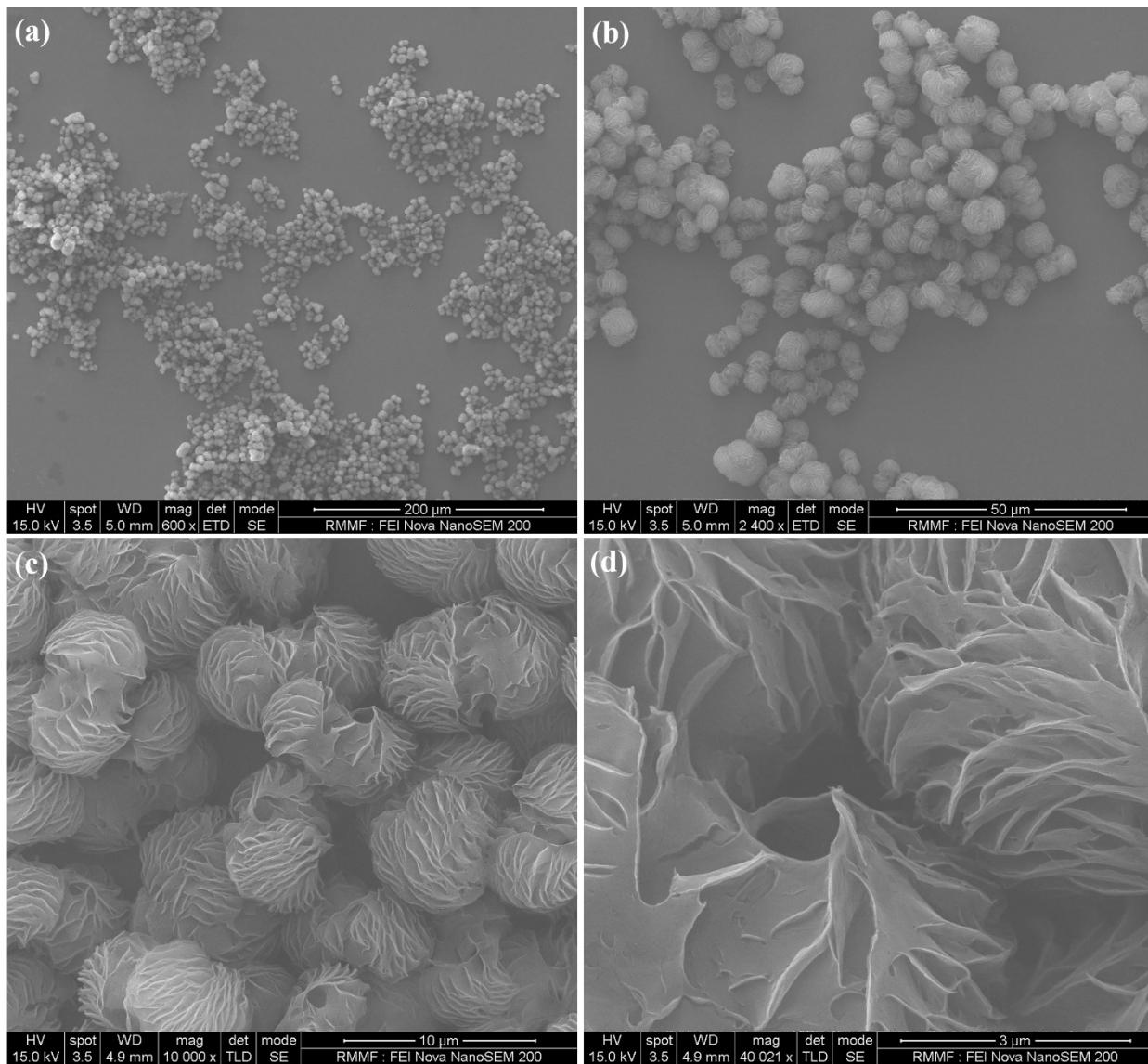
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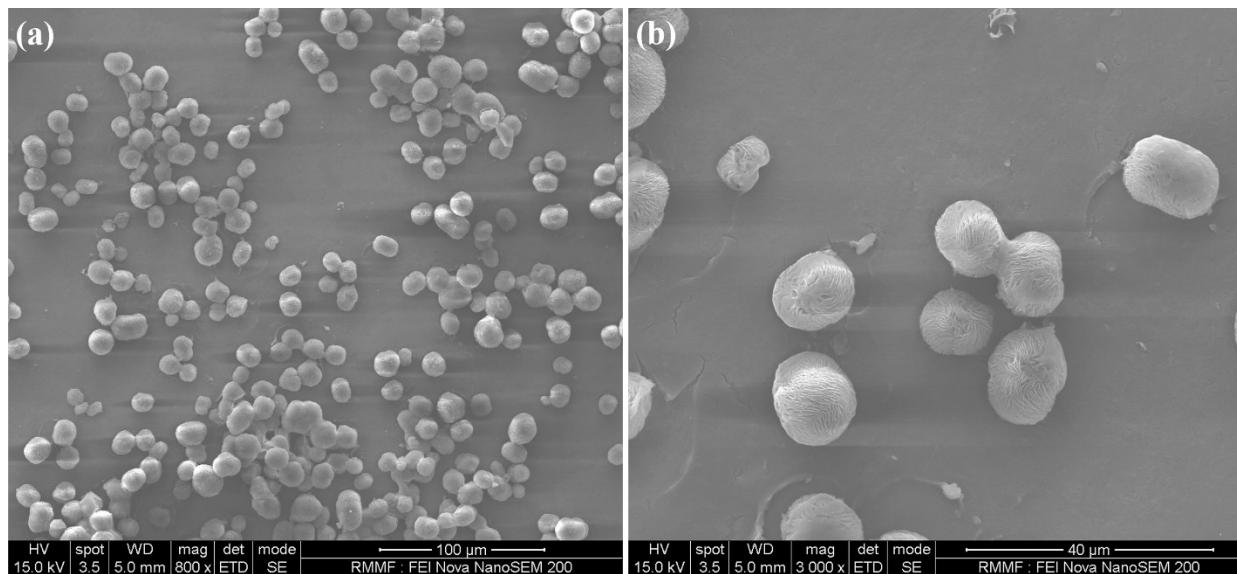


**Fig. S4**MALDI-TOF spectra of NDI-LCA.

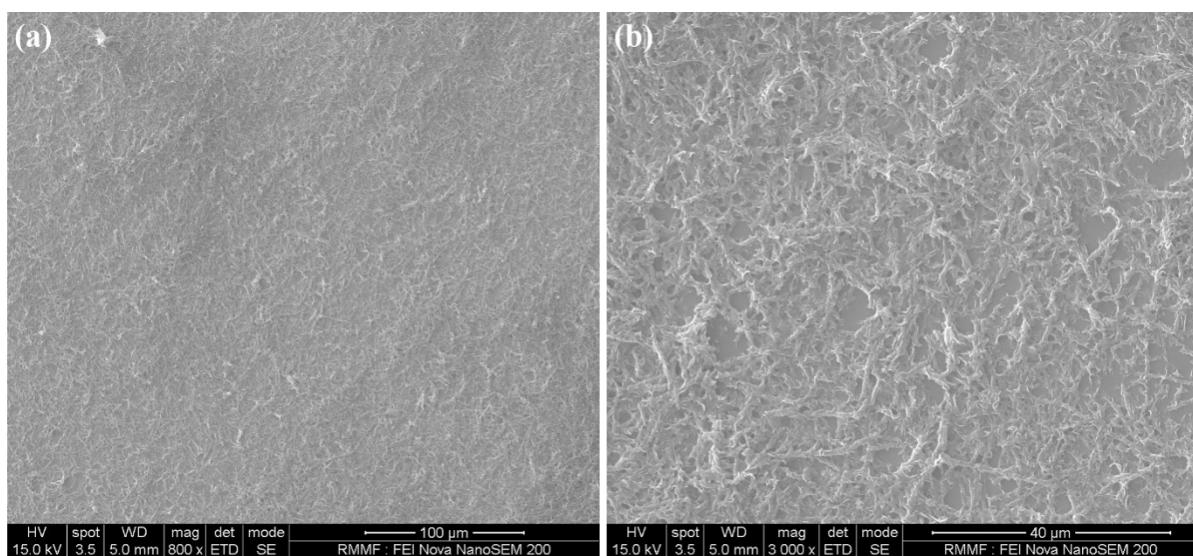
### Scanning Electron Microscopic Properties



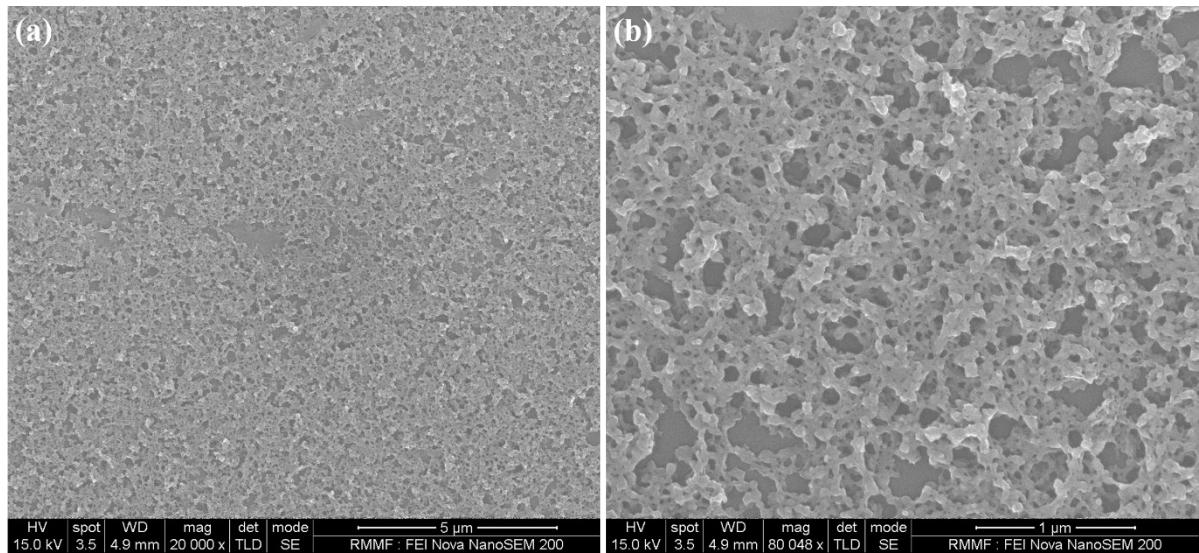
**Fig. S5** SEM images of NDI-LCA in THF:MCH (20:80%, v/v ratio).



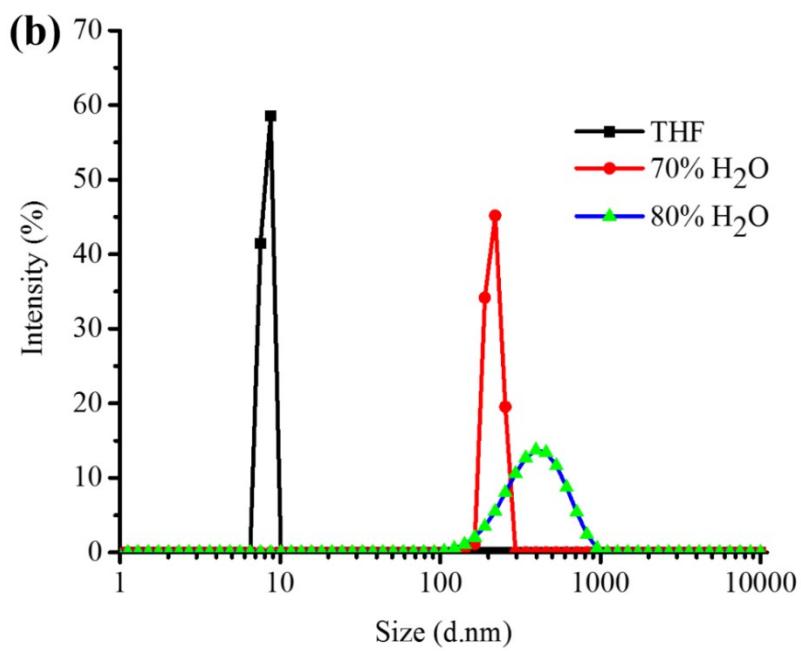
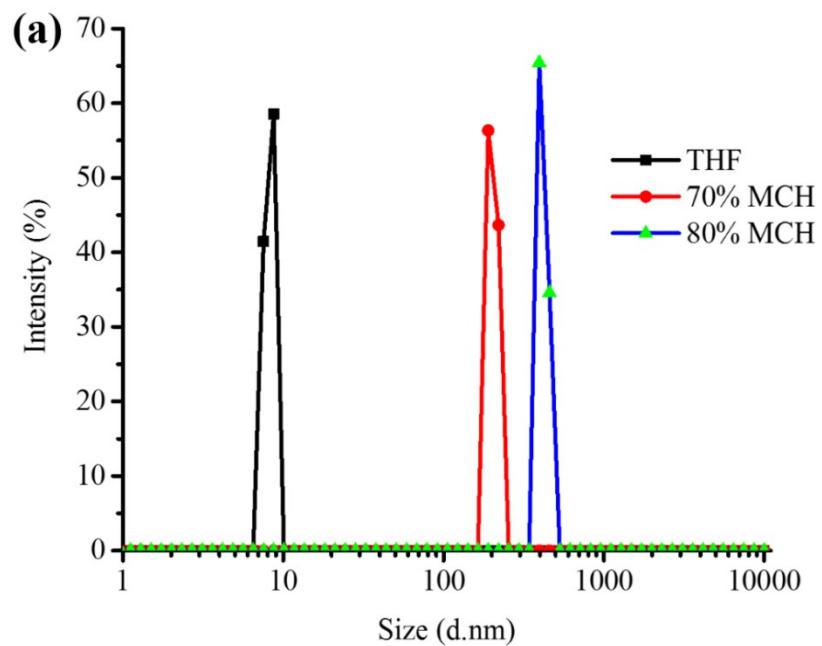
**Fig. S6**SEM images of NDI-LCA in THF:MCH (30:70%, v/v ratio).



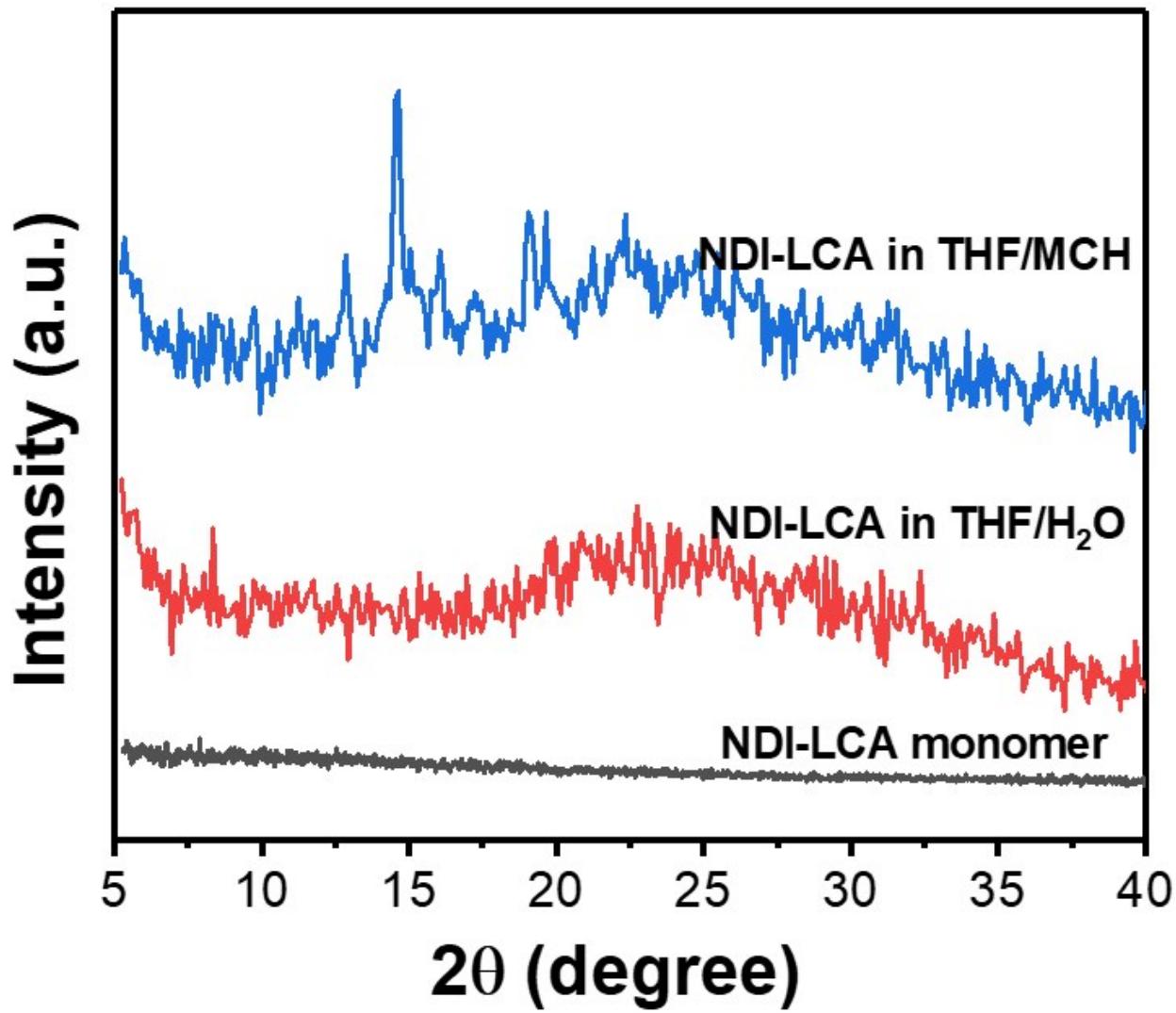
**Fig. S7** SEM images of NDI-LCA in THF:H<sub>2</sub>O (30:70%, v/v ratio).



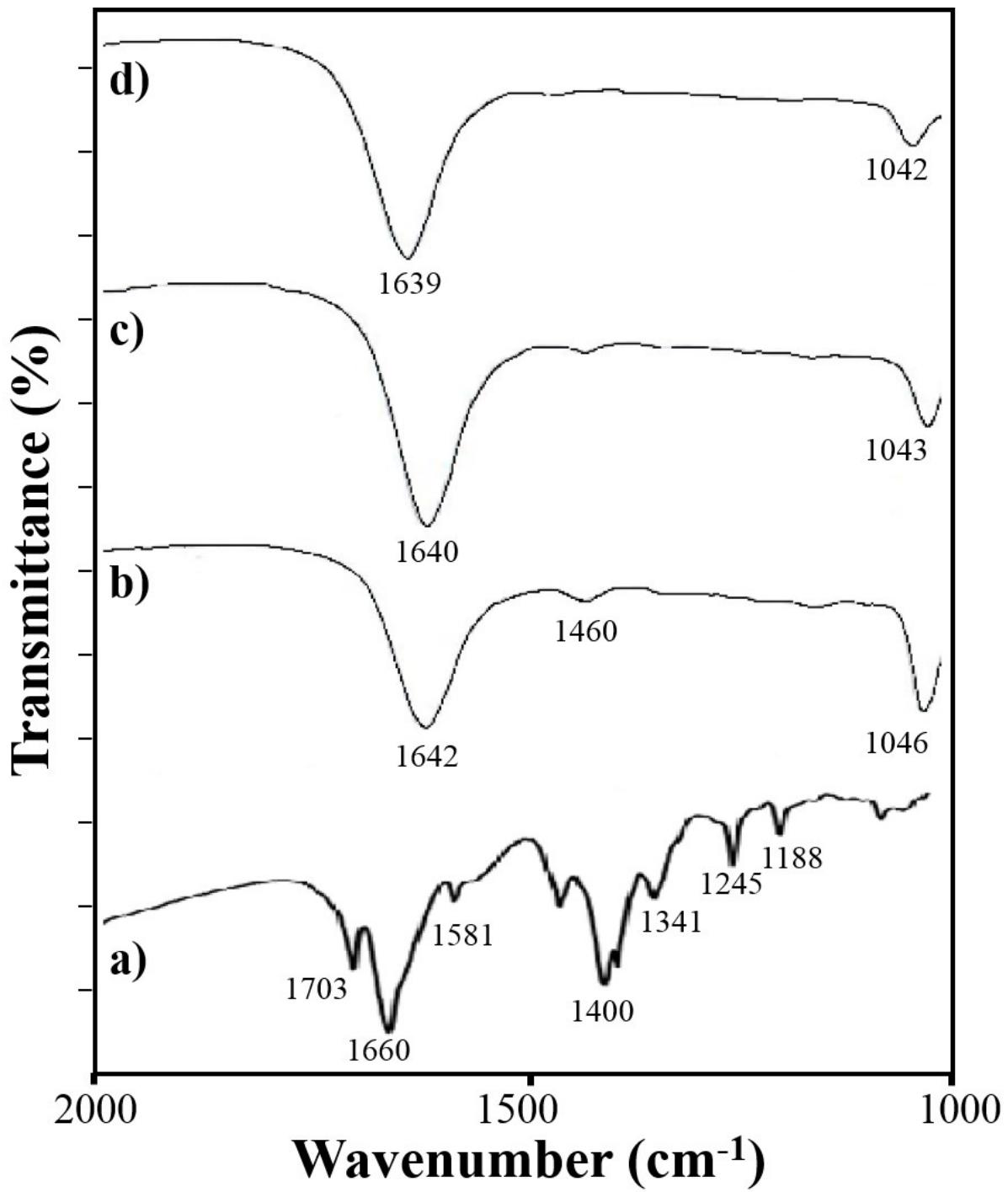
**Fig. S8** SEM images of NDI-LCA in THF:H<sub>2</sub>O (20:80%, v/v ratio).



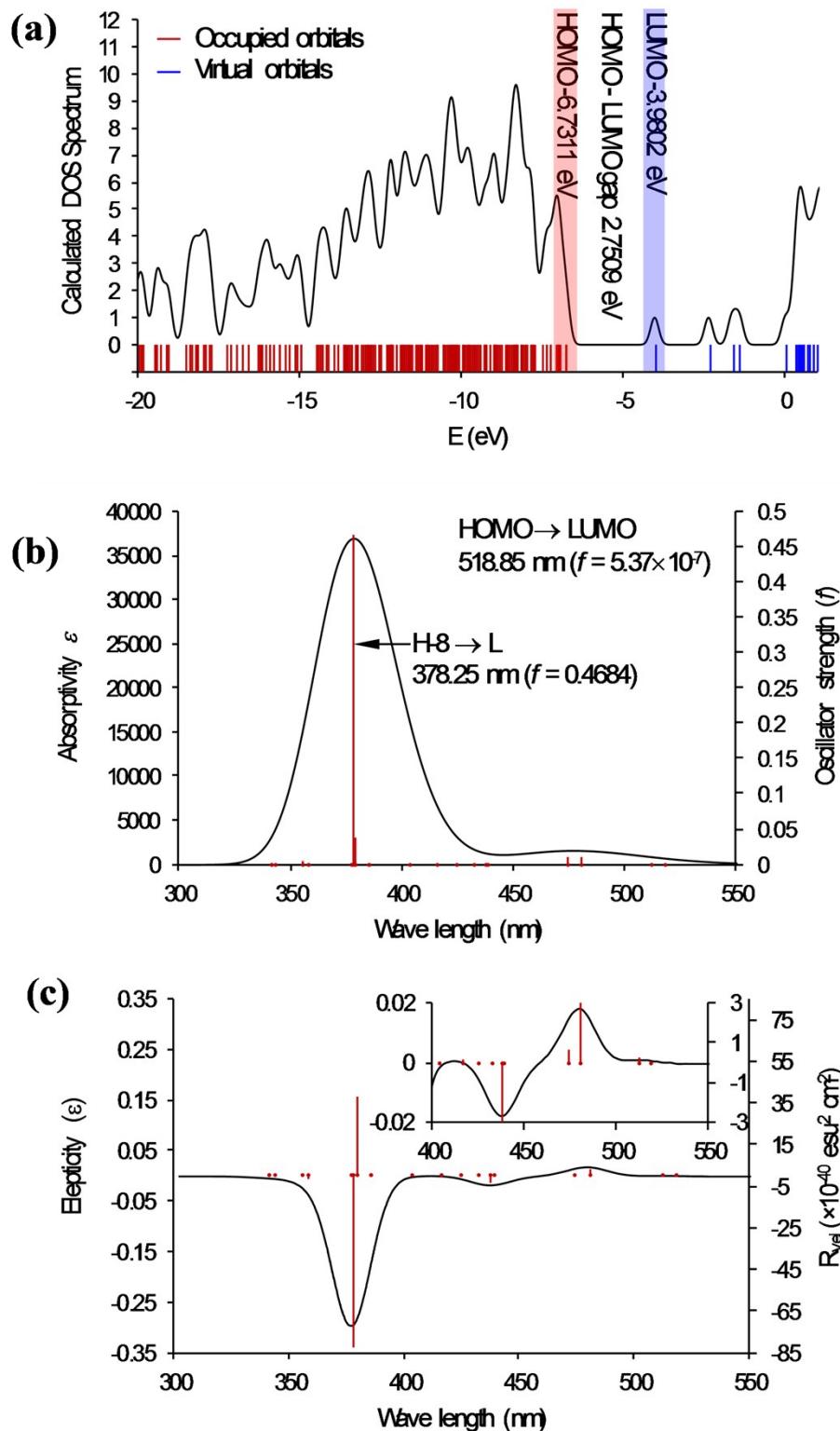
**Fig. S9** Dynamic light scattering measurements of **1** in (a) THF:MCH and (b) THF:H<sub>2</sub>O.



**Fig. S10** XRD patterns of the NDI-LCA monomer (grey line), the microstructures of self-assembled NDI-LCA in THF/H<sub>2</sub>O (red line) and THF/H<sub>2</sub>O (blue line) with water fraction of 30%.



**Fig.S11** FT-IR spectra of NDI-LCA in (a) THF, (b) THF:H<sub>2</sub>O (30:70%, v/v ratio), (c) THF: H<sub>2</sub>O (20:80%, v/v ratio); (d) THF: H<sub>2</sub>O (10:90%, v/v ratio)



**Fig. S12(a)** DOS, (b) absorbance, and (c) CD spectra of NDI-LCA as calculated using TDDFT at B3LYP/def2-TZVP basis set.