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Preparation, Photo-induced Deformation Behavior and Application of Hydrogen-bonded Crosslinked Liquid Crystalline Elastomers Based on α -Cyanostilbene

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The nuclear magnetic data for monomers are listed as follows.

M0CS12 ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.67 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.43 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 7.20 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 6.96 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 6.37 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.79 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 4.01 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2H, -OCH₂-), 2.07 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.87 – 1.70 (m, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.45 (dd, $J = 15.1$, 7.1 Hz, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.29 (d, $J = 21.9$ Hz, 16H, -CH₂-), 0.88 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H, -CH₂-). ^{13}C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.30, 162.36, 151.68, 142.60, 133.90, 132.45, 129.19, 127.81, 126.65, 125.38, 121.39, 121.16, 114.61, 108.47, 69.66, 31.73, 29.10, 28.80, 26.58, 23.16, 19.10, 14.00. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₃₁H₃₉NO₃, 473.57; found, 473.29.

M2CS12 ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.35 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 6.96 (dd, $J = 8.4$, 7.1 Hz, 4H, Ar-**H**), 6.16 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.61 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 4.52 (t, 2H, -OCH₂-), 4.27 (t, 2H, -OCH₂-), 4.01 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2H, -OCH₂-), 1.96 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.87 – 1.70 (m, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.54 – 1.40 (m, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.41 – 1.06 (m, 16H, -CH₂-), 0.88 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H, -CH₃). ^{13}C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.15, 162.36, 158.57, 142.60, 137.72, 132.45,

128.37, 127.81, 125.31, 124.72, 121.16, 116.15, 114.61, 108.47, 69.66, 67.38, 62.34, 31.73, 29.10, 28.80, 26.58, 23.16, 19.10, 14.00. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₃₃H₄₃NO₄, 517.70; found, 517.38.

M4CS12 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.34 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 7.5 Hz, 4H, Ar-**H**), 6.11 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.56 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 4.23 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H, -OCH₂-), 4.01 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 6.6 Hz, 4H, -OCH₂-), 1.95 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.84 – 1.67 (m, 4H, -CH₂-), 1.45 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.2 Hz, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.29 (d, *J* = 21.9 Hz, 16H, -CH₂-), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.15, 162.36, 158.57, 142.60, 137.72, 132.45, 128.37, 127.81, 125.31, 124.72, 121.16, 116.15, 114.61, 108.47, 69.66, 66.85, 31.73, 29.10, 28.80, 27.43, 26.93, 26.58, 23.16, 19.10, 14.00. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₃₅H₄₇NO₄, 545.57; found, 545.35.

M6CS12 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.34 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 7.5 Hz, 4H, Ar-**H**), 6.11 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.56 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 4.23 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H, -OCH₂-), 4.01 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 6.6 Hz, 4H, -OCH₂-), 1.95 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.84 – 1.67 (m, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.45 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.2 Hz, 6H, -CH₂-), 1.29 (d, *J* = 21.9 Hz, 16H, -CH₂-), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.15, 162.36, 158.57, 142.60, 137.72, 132.45, 128.37, 127.81, 125.31, 124.72, 121.16, 116.15, 114.61, 108.47, 69.66, 66.85, 31.73, 29.32, 29.10, 28.80, 26.58, 23.16, 19.10, 14.00. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₃₇H₅₁NO₄, 573.18; found, 573.38.

M8CS12 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.35 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 6.9 Hz, 4H, Ar-**H**), 6.10 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.55 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 4.15 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H, -OCH₂-), 4.00 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 6.7 Hz, 4H, -OCH₂-), 1.95 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.86 – 1.74 (m, 4H, -CH₂-), 1.68 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 6.8 Hz, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.52 – 1.42 (m, 4H, -CH₂-), 1.38 (s, 6H, -CH₂-), 1.29 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz, 16H, -CH₂-), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.15, 162.36, 158.57, 142.60, 137.72, 132.45, 128.37, 127.81,

125.31, 124.72, 121.16, 116.15, 114.61, 108.47, 69.66, 66.85, 31.73, 29.32, 29.10, 28.80, 26.58, 23.16, 19.10, 14.00. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₃₉H₅₅NO₄, 601.86; found, 601.41.

M10CS12 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-**H**), 7.35 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 6.4 Hz, 4H, Ar-**H**), 6.10 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.55 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 4.14 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H, -OCH₂-), 4.00 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 6.6 Hz, 4H, -OCH₂-), 1.95 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.79 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 6.4 Hz, 4H, -CH₂-), 1.72 – 1.61 (m, 2H, -CH₂-), 1.54 – 1.41 (m, 4H, -CH₂-), 1.30 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz, 26H, -CH₂-), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.15, 162.36, 158.57, 142.60, 137.72, 132.45, 128.37, 127.81, 125.31, 124.72, 121.16, 116.15, 114.61, 108.47, 69.66, 66.85, 31.73, 29.32, 29.10, 28.80, 26.58, 23.16, 19.10, 14.00. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₄₁H₅₉NO₄, 629.91; found, 629.44.

ME6UPy ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.14 (s, 1H, -NH-), 11.87 (s, 1H, -NH-), 10.15 (s, 1H, -NH-), 6.13 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.85 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.59 (s, 1H, -C=C-**H**), 5.01 (s, 1H, -NH-), 4.32 (s, 4H, -OCH₂-), 3.34 – 3.01 (m, 4H, , NH-CH₂-), 2.24 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.95 (s, 3H, -C=C-CH₃), 1.77 – 1.26 (m, 9H, -CH₂-). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.16, 162.50, 158.13, 156.84, 156.45, 148.06, 137.72, 124.72, 111.57, 62.67, 60.77, 41.16, 40.10, 29.58, 27.49, 19.70, 19.10. Mass Spectrometry (MS) (m/z) [M] Calcd for C₁₉H₂₉N₅O₆, 423.46; found, 423.21.

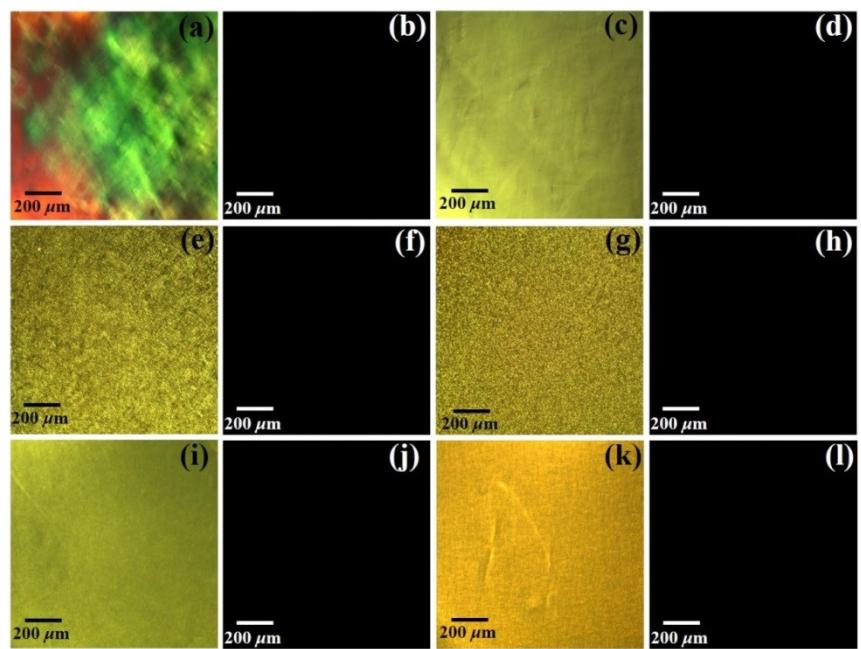


Fig. S1 POM photographs of LCE-0CS at 122°C (a) and 125°C (b), LCE-2CS at 102°C (c) and 105°C (d), LCE-4CS at 95°C (e) and 98°C (f), LCE-6CS at 82°C (g) and 85°C (h), LCE-8CS at 67°C (i) and 70°C (j), LCE-10CS at 71°C (k) and 74°C (l).

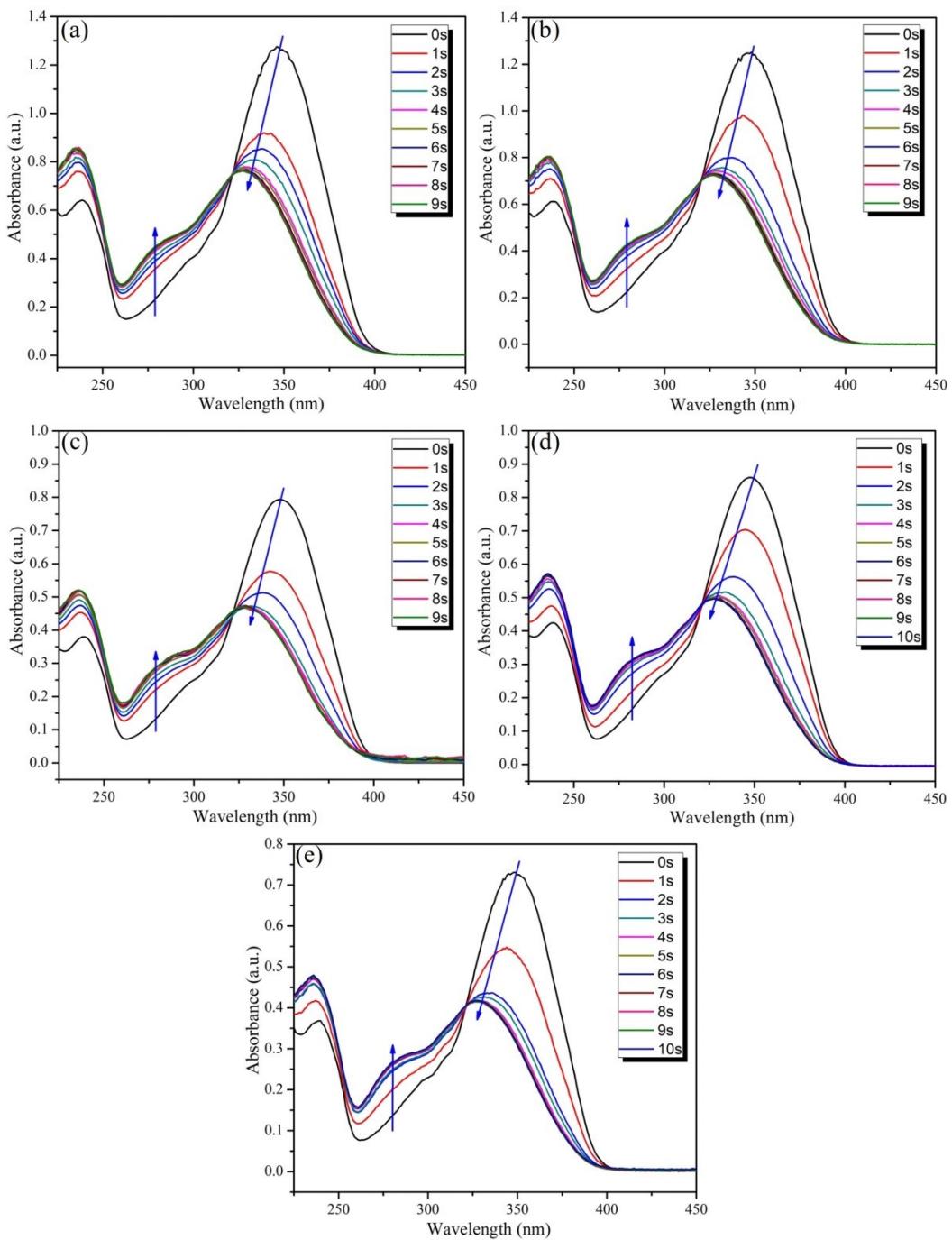


Fig. S2 UV-vis spectral changes in dependence of time for LCE-mCS dilute THF solution upon exposure to 365 nm UV light. (a) LCE-0CS, (b) LCE-2CS, (c) LCE-4CS, (d) LCE-6CS, (e) LCE-10CS.

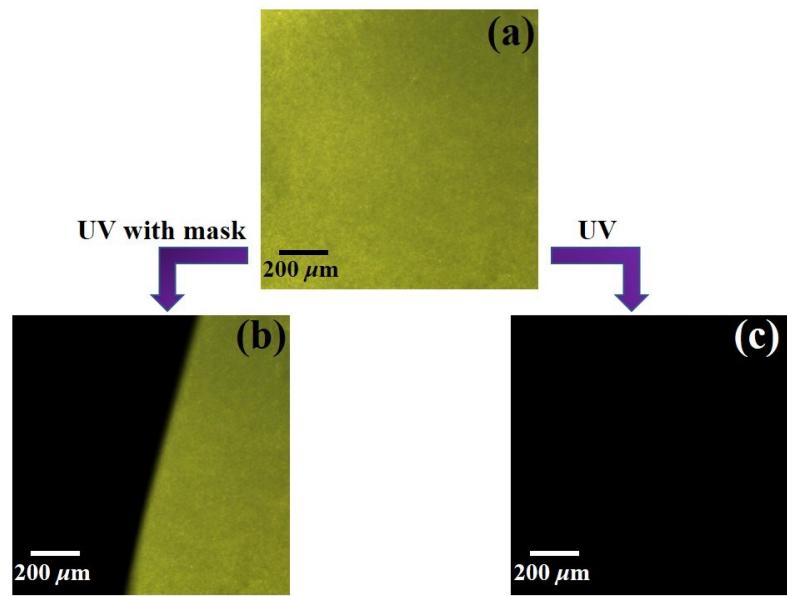


Fig. S3 POM images of LCE-8CS film taken at 25°C (a) and then irradiated with 365 nm UV light (120 mW cm^{-2}) for 30 min with (b) or without a mask (c).