Modified Pyridine-Triazole and 2,2'-Bipyrimidine Ligands Generating Robust Titanium Complexes Constructed Around a TiO₄N₂ Core[†]

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Supporting Information



Fig. S1 Additional POM textures of ligand **3b** in mesophases Col_{hex2} at 140°C (top) and Col_{hex1} at 100°C (bottom), for different crossed polarizers directions (purple cross). On crossing Col_{hex2} - Col_{hex1} phase transition, the homeotropic areas are reversibly replaced by schlieren areas, which further confirms the changeover from an orthogonal to a tilted structure.

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Fig. S2 SWAXS patterns of ligand **3b** in low- and high-temperature mesophases (black and red) that comply with col_{hex} structures of different lattice parameter, as indicated by the sharp reflections (10) and (11) with spacing ratio $d_{10}/d_{11} = \sqrt{3}$ and by the broad wide-angle scattering maximum $h_{ch}+h_{mes} \approx 4.7$ Å from liquid-like lateral distances between molten chains and between mesogens. Therefore, lattice parameter is $a = (2/\sqrt{3}) \times d_{10} = 41.6$ Å at 100°C and 45.2 Å at 145°C; columnar cross-sectional surface is $\underline{S}_{col} = (\sqrt{3})/2 \times a^2 = 1770$ Å² at 100°C and 1500 Å² at 145°C.



Fig. S3 SWAXS patterns of $[Ti(3b)(4)_2]$ in initial crystal 1 state (black), at 100°C in crystal 2 state (red), at 140°C in the isotropic liquid state (blue) and after cooling to 20°C in the glassy state (pink).



Temperature (°C)

Fig. S4 Derived TGA thermogram of ligand **1b** (green) and complex $[Ti(1b)(4)_2]$ (blue), showing that the analyzed solid sample of the complex contains no free ligand. The thermogravimetric analysis was performed on a Pyris 6 (Perkin Elmer) apparatus.