Supporting Information

Star-like polymer click-functionalized with small surface molecule: an initial investigation into properties and improving solubility in liquid crystals[†]

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Fig. S1 Diameter distribution of starlike PAA-CNBP template obtained from DLS. Peak diameter is 7 nm. This is in agreement with sizes expected from similar conditions in previous publication.⁴²

| Sample | wt% |
|--------|------|
| Α | 0.32 |
| В | 0.54 |
| С | 0.72 |
| D | 0.99 |
| Е | 1.09 |
| F | 1.28 |
| G | 1.42 |
| Н | 1.76 |

Table S1. Summary of weight percentages of starlike PAA-CNBP samples in 5CB host



Fig. S2 Sequence of photographs of starlike PAA-CNBP in 5CB in order of increasing concentration from left to right (0.32 wt% to 1.76 wt% in 5CB). The top image in each sequence is in the isotropic state (Iso), (T>T_{NI}) and the bottom is in the nematic state (N), (T<T_{NI}). For 5CB, $T_{NI} = 35$ °C. Images were taken after the same amount of heating and sonication. Dashed circles indicate samples with noticeable sedimentation of PAA-CNBP. Sample A-C showed minimal sedimentation