Supporting information

Magnetically Aligned Helical Liquid Crystal Field Allows Production of Polymer with Laser Diffraction and Prism Function

Naoto Eguchi¹, Shigeki Nimori², Hiromasa Goto^{1,*}

Correspondence to H. Goto, e-mail: gotoh@ims.tsukuba.ac.jp

¹ Department of Materials Science, Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences, University of Tsukuba, Tsukuba, Ibaraki 305-8573 Japan
² National Institute for Materials Science (NIMS), Tsukuba, Ibaraki 305-0003, Japan



Figure S1. FT-IR spectra of poly(F-Flu) (red line), F-Flu (orange line), 5CB (green line) and TBAP (black line).



Figure S2. Deposition rate of silver coating.



Figure S3. Polarizing optical microscopy (POM) images of poly(F-Flu) at applied magnetic field of 2 T (a), 4 T (b), and 8 T (c). All scale bars are 10 μ m.



Figure S4. Change in helical pitch of the resultant polymer as a function of magnetic field strength during the polymerization.



Figure S5. Plausible polymerization mechanism in cholesteric liquid crystal.



Figure S6. Schematic images of poly(F-Flu) with no magnetic field (a) and with 6 T (b). Green arrows show direction of applied magnetic field. Blue arrows show direction of helical axis.



Figure S7. Schematic images of polymer orientation and polarized light.



Figure S8. Linear polarized UV-vis absorption spectra of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-2T, 4T, 8T, and 10T. Absorption spectra of parallelly linearly polarized light (solid line) and perpendicularly linear polarized light (dashed line). (a): Absorptions of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-2T-// and poly(F-Flu)-Ch-2T- \perp . (b): Absorptions of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-4T-// and poly(F-Flu)-Ch-4T- \perp . (c): Absorptions of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-8T-// and poly(F-Flu)-Ch-8T- \perp . (d): Absorptions of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-10T- \perp .



Figure S9. CIE color chromaticity of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-0T (a-c) and poly(F-Flu)-Ch-6T (d-f) film calculated from reflection spectra at detection angle scanned from –9 to 37°, respectively.



Figure S10. CIE color chromaticity of poly(F-Flu)-Ch-6T-Ag film at detection angle from -35 to -9° (a), -8 to 17° (b), and 18 to 37° (c).

View angle in Figure 8(e).

The diffraction color and diffraction angle of Figure 8e is corresponding to reflectance spectra of Figure 8d (-1 order region). Blue color diffraction light (Figure 8e, left) is corresponding to the reflection spectra at 22°, red color (Figure 8e, right) at 8°.



Figure S11. View angle for reflection color observations.