

Chiral Amplification Based on Sergeants and Soldiers Principle in Helically Folded Poly(naphthalenecarboxamide)

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Supporting Information

Experimental

General. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were obtained on JEOL ECA-500 and ECA-600 spectrometers. The internal standards of ^1H NMR spectra in CDCl_3 was tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm), and the internal standards of ^{13}C NMR spectra in CDCl_3 was the midpoints of CDCl_3 (77.0 ppm). IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-410. Commercially available dehydrated tetrahydrofuran (THF, stabilizer-free, Kanto) was used as a dry solvent, and dehydrated toluene (Kanto) was used for azeotropically drying the monomers. 1.0 M Lithium hexamethyldisilazide (LiHMDS) in THF (Aldrich) was used as received. The M_n and M_w/M_n values of polymer were measured on a Shodex GPC-101 gel permeation chromatography (GPC) unit equipped with Shodex UV-41, Shodex RI-71S, and two Shodex KF-804L columns (bead size = 7 μm , pore size = 200 \AA). THF was used as the eluent (temperature = 40 $^\circ\text{C}$, flow rate = 1 mL/min), and calibration was carried out using polystyrene standards. Isolation of polyamides was carried out with a Japan Analytical Industry LC-908 recycling preparative HPLC (eluent: chloroform) using two TOSOH TSK-gel columns ($2 \times \text{G2000H}_{\text{HR}}$). UV-vis spectra were measured on a Shimadzu UV-1800 spectrophotometer. CD spectra were measured on a JASCO J-820 spectropolarimeters using a 10 mm quartz cell. Chiral monomer **1** and achiral monomer **2** were synthesized according to our previous report.^{1,2} Poly(*p*-benzamide) copolymers **5** were prepared according to the previous literature.³

Polymerization

The monomer **1** and **2** were copolymerized by the procedure as shown in Table 1.

Synthesis of 3c. The monomer **1** and **2** were azeotropically dehydrated with dry toluene three times and then dried under reduced pressure before use. A flask equipped with a three-way stopcock was purged with argon and then charged with 1.0 M LiHMDS in THF (0.22 mL, 0.22 mmol). The flask was cooled to $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ under an argon atmosphere with stirring. A solution of **1** (44.4 mg, 0.105 mmol), **2** (40.8 mg, 0.0996 mmol) and initiator (1.7 mg, 0.0080 mmol) in dry THF (0.2 mL) was cooled to $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and then added at once into the flask containing LiHMDS via a syringe through the three-way stopcock in a stream of dry nitrogen. After the reaction mixture was stirred at $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 27.5 h, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl , and the mixture was extracted with chloroform. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO_4 , and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified with a preparative HPLC (eluent: CHCl_3) using polystyrene gel columns to give **3c** (21.6 mg, 32%, $M_n = 5450$, $M_w/M_n = 1.12$) as brown viscous liquid. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00-7.08 (m, Ar-H), 4.30-3.38 (m, $-\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_2\text{OCH}_3$ and $-\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_2\text{OCH}_3$), 3.35-3.254 (m, $-\text{OCH}_3$), 3.248-3.16 (m, $-\text{OCH}_3$), 1.31-1.12 (m, CHCH_3).

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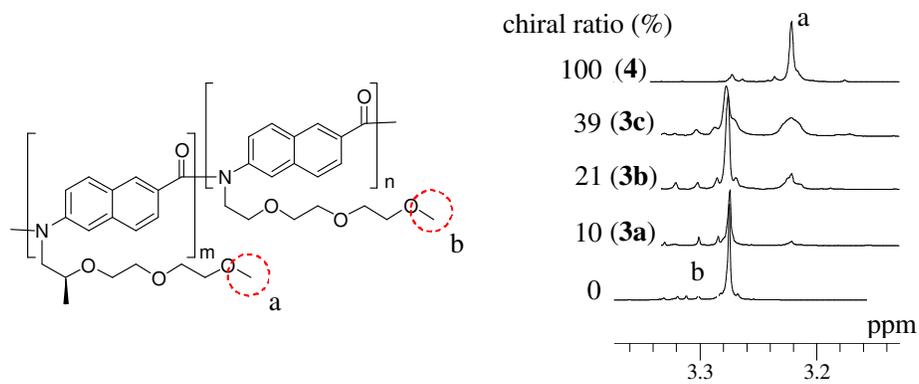


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectra of chiral-achiral random copolymers after purification by HPLC in CDCl_3 at 25°C to determine the chiral unit ratio in the copolymer.

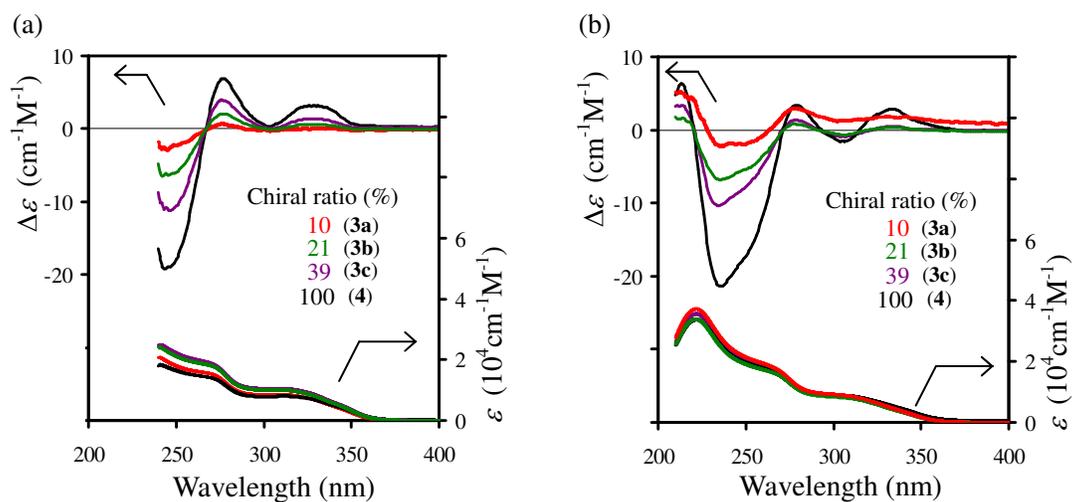


Figure S2. (a) UV and CD spectra of **3** and **4** in (a) chloroform and (b) methanol at 25°C .

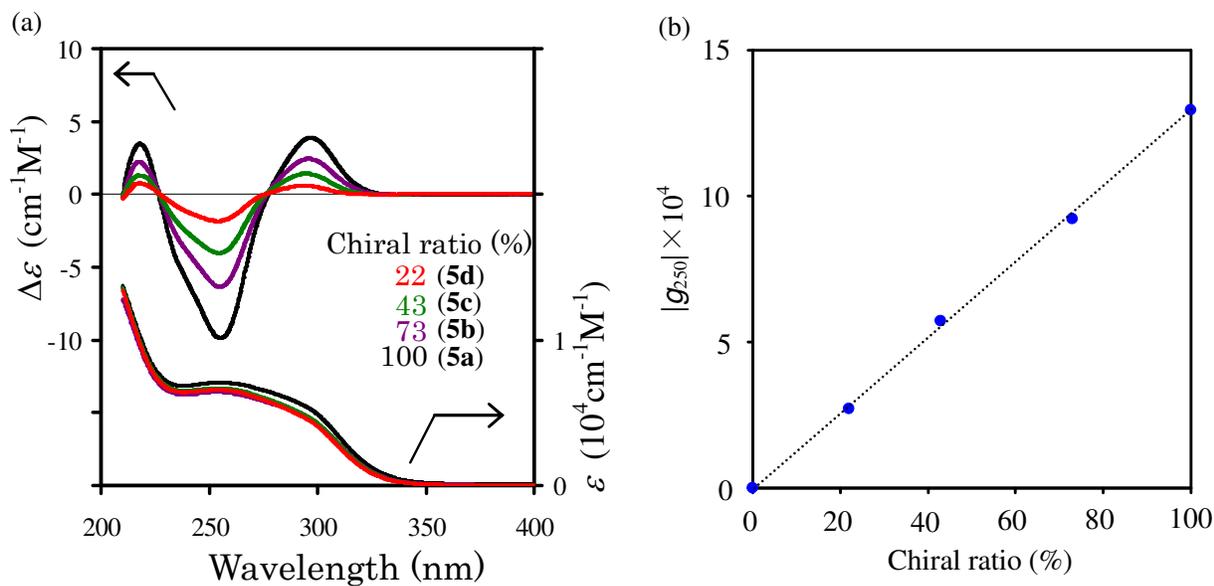
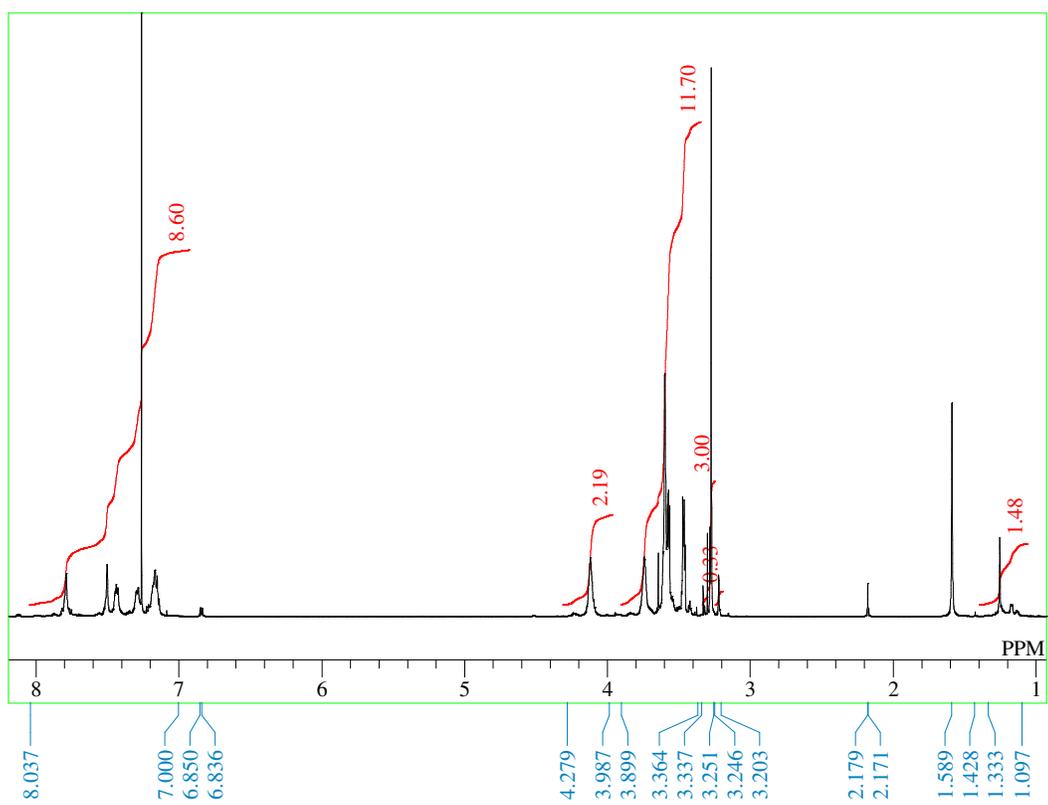
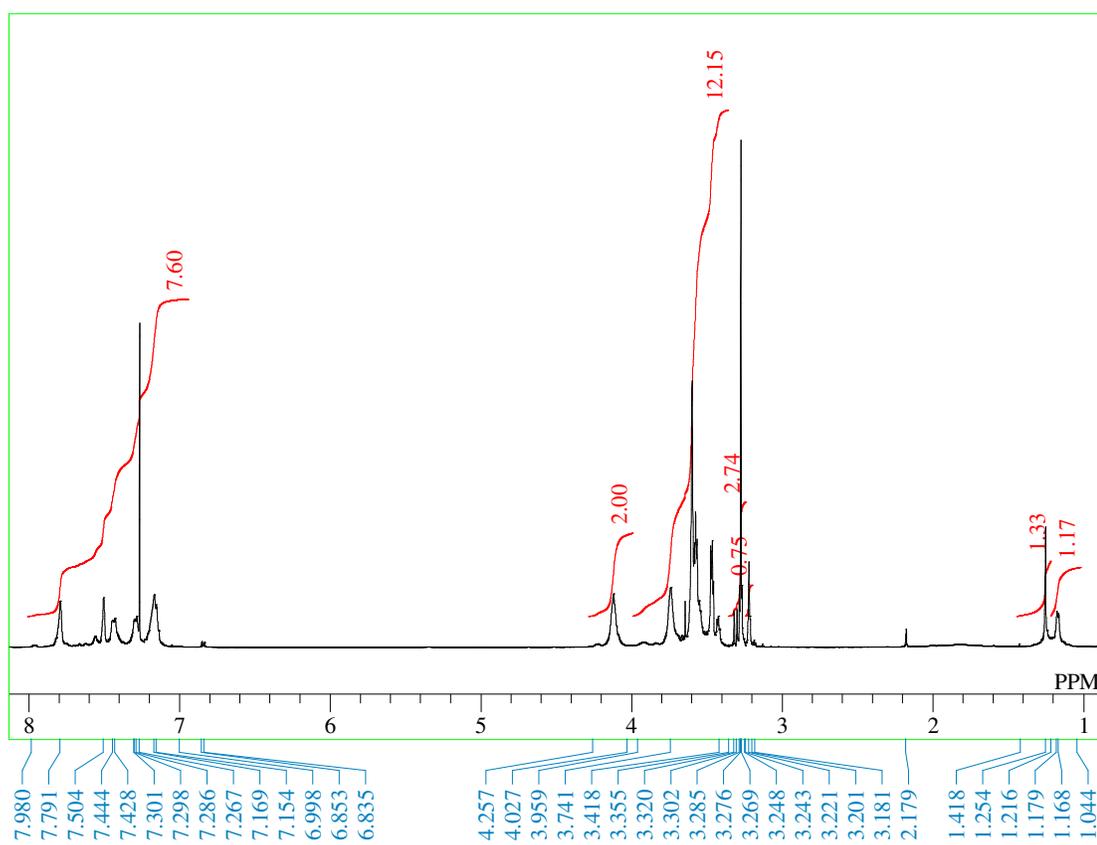


Figure S3. (a) UV and CD spectra of poly(*p*-benzamide)s (**5a** $M_n = 8870$, $M_w/M_n = 1.08$; **5b** $M_n = 9200$, $M_w/M_n = 1.13$; **5c** $M_n = 8440$, $M_w/M_n = 1.08$; **5d** $M_n = 8680$, $M_w/M_n = 1.07$) in water/methanol = 7/3 at 25 °C. (b) Plot of Kuhn dissymmetry factor ($g = \Delta\epsilon/\epsilon$) at 250 nm of the random copolymer in water/methanol = 7/3 (blue circle) against the chiral unit ratio. The dotted lines are meant to guide the eye.

¹H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of 3a



¹H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of 3b



^1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl_3) of **3c**

