Well-Defined Polyamide Synthesis from Diisocyanates and Diacids Involving Hindered Carbodiimide Intermediates

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Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of N,N'-Bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)carbodiimide, iPr-CDI 1.



**Figure S2.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4a'-1** (iPr-CDI/MDI/IA = 1/5/5).



**Figure S3.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4a'-2** (iPr-CDI/MDI/IA = 1/10/10).



Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide 4a'-3 (iPr-CDI/MDI/IA = 0/1/1).



**Figure S5.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-1** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/5/5).



**Figure S6.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-2** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/7.5/7.5).



**Figure S7.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-3** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/10/10).



**Figure S8.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-4** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/12.5/12.5).



**Figure S9.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-5** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/15/15).



**Figure S10.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-6** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/17.5/17.5).



**Figure S11.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4b'-7** (iPr-CDI/MDI/PA = 1/20/20).



**Figure S12.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4c'-1** (iPr-CDI/MDI/SA = 1/10/10).



**Figure S13.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide **4c'-2** (iPr-CDI/MDI/SA = 1/10/10).



Figure S14. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aromatic Polyamide 4c'-3 (iPr-NCO/MDI/SA = 2/10/10).



**Figure S15.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aliphatic Polyamide **4d'** (iPr-CDI/MDI/AA = 1/10/10).



**Figure S16.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aliphatic Polyamide **4e'** (iPr-CDI/MDI/AZA = 1/10/10).



**Figure S17.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of Aliphatic Polyamide **4f**' (iPr-CDI/MDI/DA = 1/10/10).



Figure S18. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of N'-Phenyl-N-(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Thiourea 19 in DMSO-d6.



**Figure S19.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectra of N'-Phenyl-N-(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Carbodiimide **20** (PiPr-CDI) in DMSO-d6



**Figure S20.** HPLC Analysis of Model Competitive Study for Scheme 8(a): (i) Phenyl Benzamide **23**; (ii) N-(2,6-Diisopropylphenyl) Benzamide **24**; (iii) Diphenyl Carbodiimide **21** and N,N'-Bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)carbodiimide **1** Reacted with Benzoic Acid **22**.



Figure S21. HPLC Analysis of Model Competitive Study for Scheme 8(b): (i) Phenyl Benzamide 23;
(ii) N-(2,6-Diisopropylphenyl) Benzamide 24; (iii) N'-Phenyl-N-(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Carbodiimide
20 (PiPr-CDI) Reacted with Benzoic Acid 22.



**Figure S22.** HPLC Analysis of Trans-CDI disproportion Reaction for Scheme 9(a): (i) Diphenyl Urea; (ii) N'-Phenyl-N-(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Urea; (iii) N,N'-Bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Urea; (iv) Reaction of N,N'-Bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)carbodiimide **1** with Diphenyl Carbodiimide **21**.



**Figure S23.** HPLC Analysis of Isocyanate-CDI Exchange Reaction for Scheme 9(b): (i) Diphenyl Urea; (ii) N'-Phenyl-N-(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Urea; (iii) Reaction of 2,6-Diisopropylphenyl Isocyanate **7** with Diphenyl Carbodiimide **21**.



**Figure S24.** HPLC Analysis of Isocyanate-CDI Exchange Reaction for Scheme 9(c): (i) Diphenyl Urea; (ii) N'-Phenyl-N-(2,6-diisopropylphenyl) Urea; (iii) Reaction of 2,6-Diisopropylphenyl Isocyanate **7** with Phenyl Isocyanate **25**.