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Supplementary Information

Conformational Polymorphism of 1,8-Dipyridylnaphthalene and Encapsulation of

Chains of Fused Cyclic Water Pentamers in a Hydrophobic Crystal Environment

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All chemicals were of reagent grade and were purchased from Aldrich. All reactions were carried out under nitrogen atmosphere under anhydrous conditions. Flash chromatography was carried out on SiO₂ (Merck Kieselgel 60, particle size 0.032-0.063 mm). GC-MS was performed using a Fison Instruments MD800 capillary GC-Mass spectrometer. NMR spectra were obtained at 300 MHz (¹H NMR) and 75 MHz (¹³C NMR) on a Varian FT-NMR spectrometer using CDCl₃ as the solvent. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to TMS.

Preparation of 1,8-Dipyridylnaphthalene 1

A solution of 1,8-diiodonaphthalene (0.6 g, 1.58 mmol), 4-trimethylstannylpyridine (1.0 g, 4.14 mmol), and tetrakis(triphenylphosphane)palladium(0) (100 mg, 5.5 mol%) in 3 mL anhydrous DMF was refluxed for 5 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, poured into 10% NH₄OH, and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic layers were washed

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with water, dried over MgSO₄, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. Recrystallization from EtOAc afforded **1** (300 mg, 1.06 mmol, 67%) as light yellow crystals (mp 279-280 °C). ¹H NMR: δ 6.93 (dd, J = 1.7 Hz, J = 4.4 Hz, 4H), 7.43 (dd, J = 1.1 Hz, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (dd, J = 1.1 Hz, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (dd, J = 7.2 Hz, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 8.23 (dd, J = 1.7 Hz, J = 4.4 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR: δ 14.4, 125.5, 128.0, 129.7, 131.1, 135.2, 137.0, 148.8, 150.3. EI-MS (70 eV): m/z (%) = 282 (100) [M⁺], 254 (25) [M⁺-CH₂N], 226 (19) [M⁺-2 CH₂N], 202 (26) [M⁺-H, -Py], 127 (25) [M⁺-H, -2Py]. Anal. Calc. for C₂₀H₁₄N₂: C, 85.00; H, 5.00; N, 9.92. Found: C, 84.66; H, 5.08; N, 9.91.

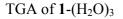
Preparation of 4-Trimethylstannylpyridine.

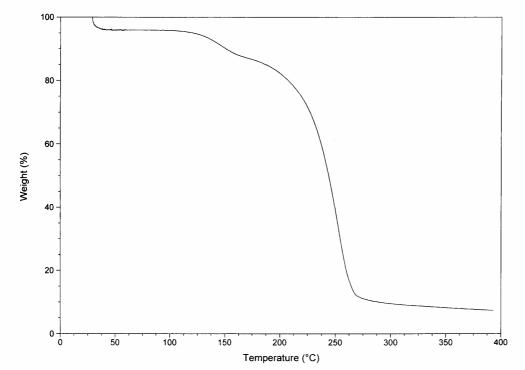
Commercially available 4-bromopyridine hydrochloride (3.1 g, 15.4 mmol) was partitioned between 2N NaOH and CH₂Cl₂. The organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and CH₂Cl₂ was removed under reduced pressure. A yellow oil of 4-bromopyridine (2.4 g, 15.2 mmol, 99 %) was obtained and used without further purification. The crude material was dissolved in 20 mL anhydrous Et₂O and cooled to -78° C. *n*-Butyllithium in hexanes (10.4 mL, 1.6M) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for one hour. A solution of trimethylstannyl chloride (3.8 g, 19 mmol) in 10 mL anhydrous Et₂O was added dropwise. The mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 hours. Following the work-up procedure described above gave a brown residue. Purification by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes/Et₃N 250:250:1) afforded 4-trimethylstannylpyridine (2.41g, 10.0 mmol, 66%) as a light orange oil. ¹H NMR: δ 0.33 (s, 9H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 1.5 Hz, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 8.51 (dd, *J* = 1.5 Hz, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR: δ -9.6, 131.0, 148.3, 152.8. EI-MS (70 eV): m/z (%) = 239

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(29) [M⁺], 224 (100) [M⁺-Me], 209 (34) [M⁺-2Me], 194 (68) [M⁺-3Me], 161 (18) [Me₃Sn], 131

(50) [MeSn], 116 (30) [Sn], 78 (17) [C₅H₄N].





Thermogravimetric analysis was performed under nitrogen with a heating rate of 5°C/min using a TA Instruments TGA 2050 Analyzer