# Electronic Supplementary Information

# Investigation into self-assembled collagen arrays guided by surface properties of polyimide films

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Figure S1. Illustration of the rubbing treatment equipment and the photograph.



**Fig. S2**. Illustration of the polarized FT-IR measurement systems. (a) the state of "polarization direction // rubbing direction" was named as " $\theta$ =0 °", and (b) the state of "polarization direction  $\perp$  rubbing direction" was named as " $\theta$ =90 °". The  $\theta$  value was changed from 0 ° to 90 °.

# Equation (S1)

The root mean square roughness ( $R_{\rm rms}$  (nm)) was calculated by the following **Equation (S1)**.

$$R_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{n=1}^{n} (h(x_i) - h)^2}$$
(S1)

Here, *n* is the number of measurement points,  $h(x_i)$  is the height at the measurement point  $x_i$ , and *h* is the average height.



**Fig. S3**. The second derivative spectra of amide I bands of (a) PI-Col-M, (b) PI-R-Col-M, (c) PI-Col-F and (d) PI-R-Col-F, and the detailed assignments (1)–(5) were described in the experimental section.



**Fig. S4**. (a) Representative FT-IR spectra of the PI films and (b) their *I. D.* values with the baking temperature in the range of 45~300 °C.





**Fig. S5.** Representative phase–shift images of the PI films treated with the *R*.S. values of (a, d) 0, (b, e) 2.4 and (c, f) 3.3 m at the observation area of (a~c)  $10 \times 10 \ \mu m^2$  and (d~f)  $1 \times 1 \ \mu m^2$ , which correspond to the topographic images in **Fig. 2**. The green arrows indicate the rubbing directions.



**Fig. S6**. FT-IR spectral deconvolution results of the amide I bands of Col molecules for (a) PI-Col-M and (b) PI-R-Col-M, where (c) the secondary structural components ratios of (1)  $\beta$ -Sheet, (2) Random, (3)  $\alpha$ -Helix, (4) Turn and (5)  $\beta$ -Turn were calculated (n=3, mean ± SD).



**Fig. S7**. Polarized FT-IR spectral deconvolution results of the amide I bands of Col molecules for (a, c) PI-Col-M and (b, d) PI-R-Col-M in the case of (a, b) " $\theta$  = 0 °" and (c, d) " $\theta$  = 90 °" where (e) the secondary structural component ratios of (1)  $\beta$ -Sheet, (2) Random, (3)  $\alpha$ -Helix, (4) Turn and (5)  $\beta$ -Turn were calculated (n=3, mean ± SD). Here, the state of "polarization direction // rubbing direction" was named as " $\theta$  = 0 °" and that of "polarization direction  $\perp$  rubbing direction" was " $\theta$  = 90 °".



**Fig. S8**. FT-IR spectral deconvolution results of the amide I bands of Col fibrils for (a) PI-Col-F and (b) PI-R-Col-F, where (c) the secondary structural components ratios of (1)  $\beta$ -Sheet, (2) Random, (3)  $\alpha$ -Helix, (4) Turn and (5)  $\beta$ -Turn were calculated (n=3, mean ± SD).



**Fig. S9**. Polarized FT-IR spectral deconvolution results of the amide I bands of Col fibrils for (a, c) PI-Col-F and (b, d) PI-R-Col-F in the case of (a, b) " $\theta$  = 0 °" and (c, d) " $\theta$  = 90 °", where (e) the secondary structural component ratios of (1)  $\beta$ -Sheet, (2) Random, (3)  $\alpha$ -Helix, (4) Turn and (5)  $\beta$ -Turn were calculated (n=3, mean ± SD). Here, the state of "polarization direction // rubbing direction" was named as " $\theta$  = 0 °" and that of "polarization direction  $\perp$  rubbing direction" was " $\theta$  = 90 °".