

Supplementary Information

Liquid-crystal-imprinted synthesis for chiral polypyrrole without a chiral centre using a double-step method of spark-discharge oligomerisation–electrochemical polymerisation

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Table S1. Molecular weights of pyrrole oligomers irradiated with spark discharge.

	Irradiation time of spark discharge		
	1 min	3 min	10 min
M_n	298	483	543
M_w	332	530	558
M_w/M_n	1.12	1.10	1.03

M_n : the number- average molecular weight. M_w : the weight-average molecular weight. M_w/M_n : the molecular weight distribution.

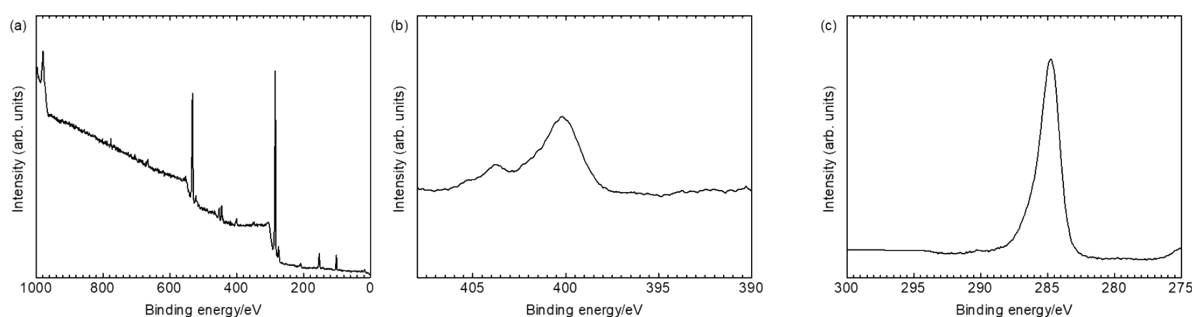


Figure. S1. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy result of PPy/TWO-STEP. (a) Full scale in the range of 1000–0 eV, selected scales in the range of (b) 408–390 eV corresponding to the signal of N atom, and (c) 300–275 eV corresponding to the signal of C atom.

Table S2. Atomic concentration of elements in PPy/TWO-STEP.

	C _{1s}	N _{1s}
Atomic concentration (%)	79.6	20.4

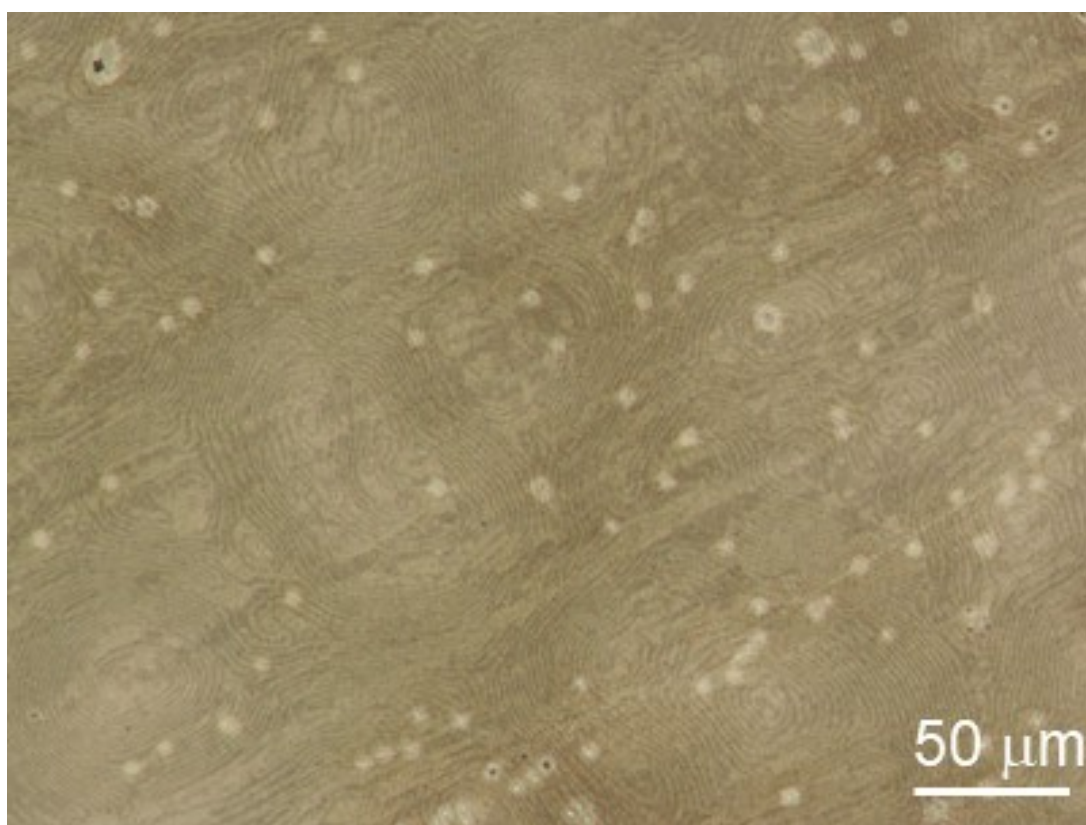


Figure. S2. Polarising optical microscopy (POM) image of PPy/TWO-STEP.

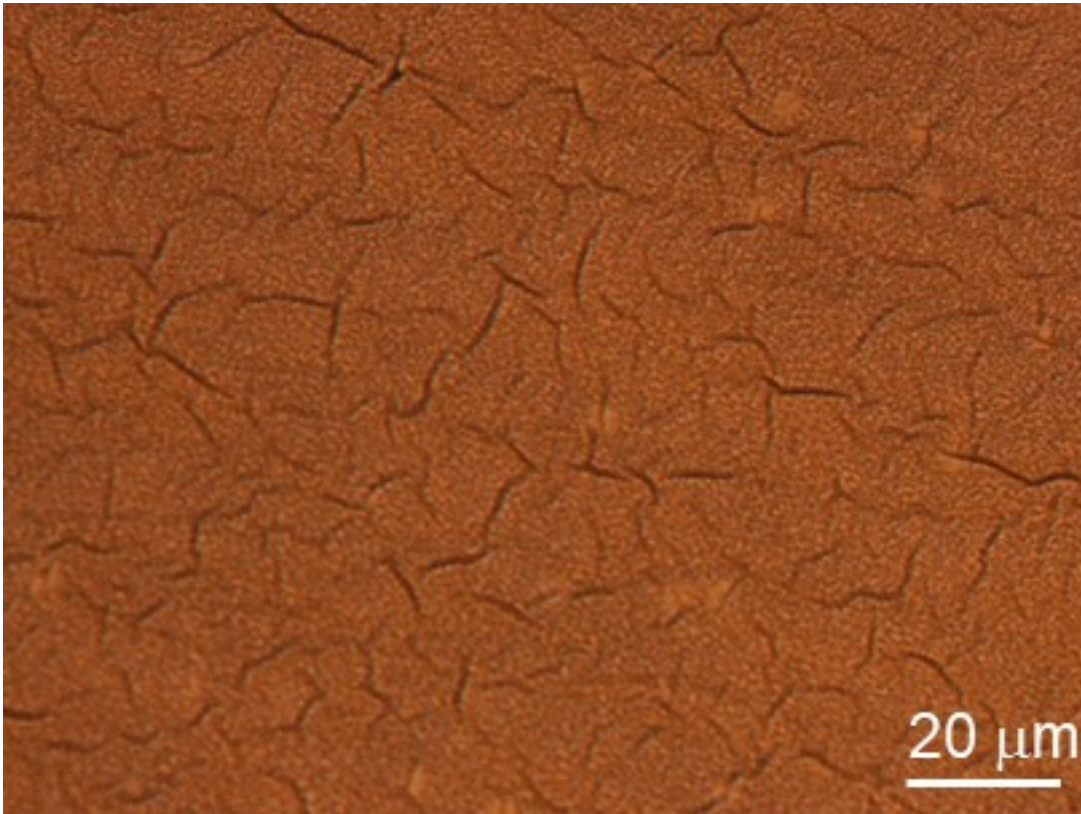


Figure. S3. Circularly-polarised differential interference contrast microscopy image of PPy/ONE-STEP.

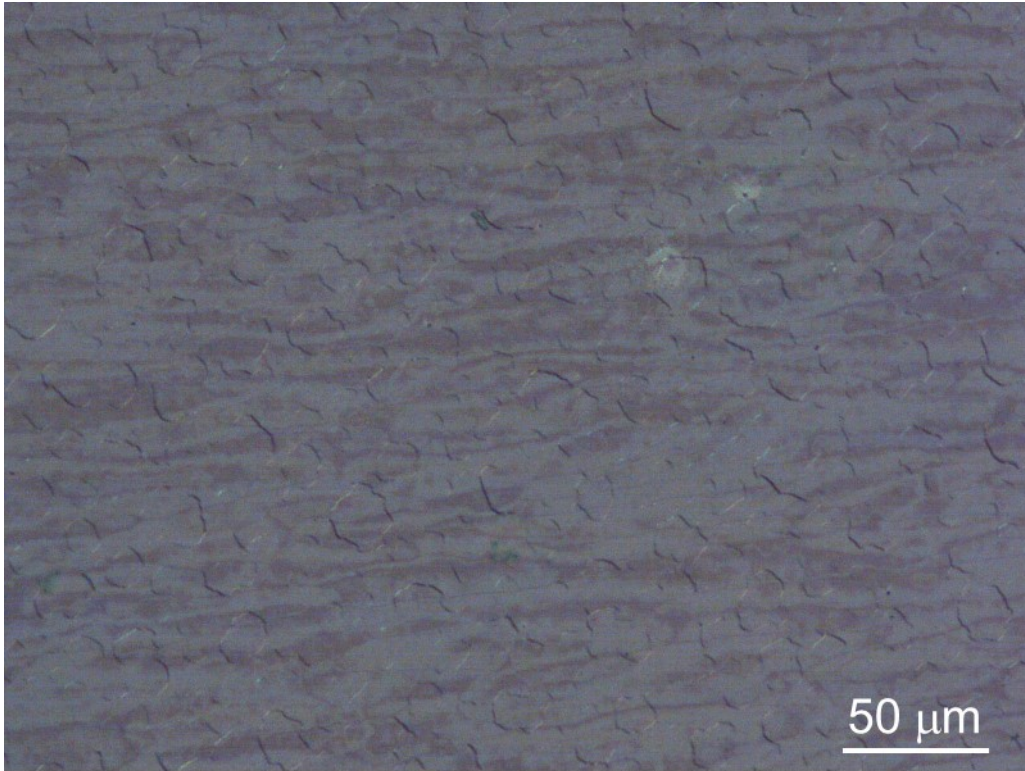


Figure. S4. POM image of PPy/TWO-STEP-6T.