

## Supporting Information

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### Transmissive to Black Electrochromic Aramids with High Near-Infrared and Multicolor Electrochromism Based on Electroactive Tetraphenylbenzidine Units *by*

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**Table S1.** Inherent Viscosity and Molecular Weights of Polyamides

Code	$\eta_{inh}^a$ (dL/g)	$M_w^b$	$Mn^b$	PDI <sup>c</sup>
<b>Ia</b>	0.91	95,900	58,100	1.65
<b>Ib</b>	0.76	94,600	60,500	1.56
<b>Ic</b>	0.75	102,500	69,600	1.47
<b>I'a</b>	0.52	45,800	32,400	1.41
<b>I'b</b>	0.42	125,600	72,700	1.73
<b>I'c</b>	0.42	89,300	47,200	1.89
<b>IIb</b>	0.63	95,700	52,700	1.82

<sup>a</sup> Measured at a polymer concentration of 0.5 g/dL in DMAc at 30 °C (**I'a** measured in NMP).

<sup>b</sup> Calibrated with polystyrene standards, using DMF as eluent at a constant flow rate of 1 ml/min at 70 °C.

<sup>c</sup> Polydispersity Index ( $Mw/Mn$ ).

**Table S2.** Solubility Behavior of Polyamides

Code	Solubility in various Solvent <sup>a</sup>						
	NMP	DMAc	DMF	DMSO	<i>m</i> -cresol	THF	CHCl <sub>3</sub>
<b>Ia</b>	++	++	+ -	-	++	-	-
<b>Ib</b>	++	++	++	+ -	++	-	-
<b>Ic</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	-
<b>I'a</b>	++	+ -	+ -	-	-	-	-
<b>I'b</b>	++	++	++	-	++	-	-
<b>I'c</b>	++	++	++	+ -	++	++	-
<b>IIb</b>	++	++	++	+ -	++	+ -	-

<sup>a</sup> The solubility was determined with a 5 mg sample in 1 mL of a solvent. ++, soluble at room temperature; +, soluble on heating; + -, partially soluble or swelling; -, insoluble even on heating. THF: tetrahydrofuran; CHCl<sub>3</sub>: chloroform.

**Table S3.** Thermal Properties of Polyamides

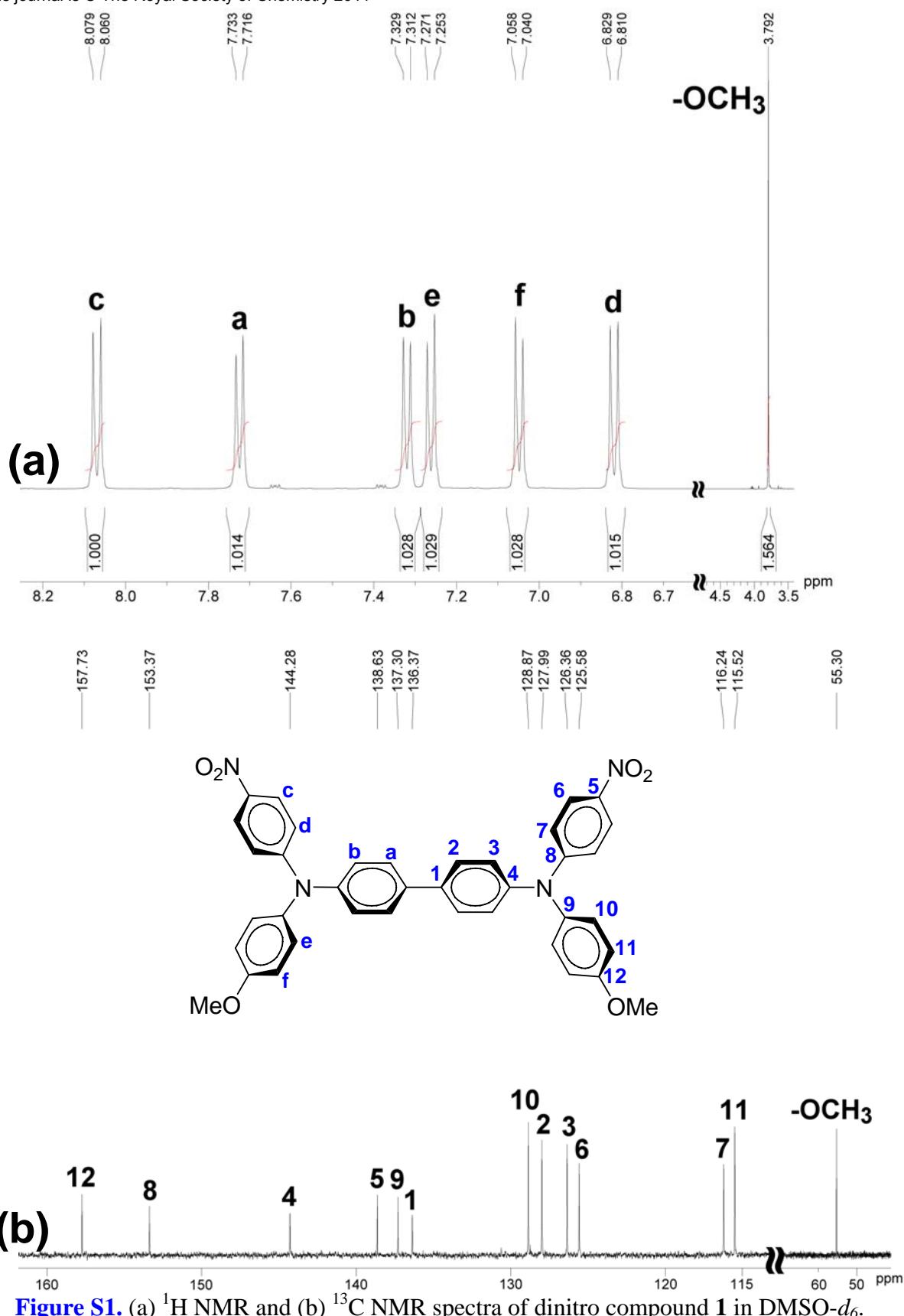
Polymer <sup>a</sup>	$T_g$ (°C) <sup>b</sup>	$T_d^5$ (°C) <sup>c</sup>		$T_d^{10}$ (°C) <sup>c</sup>		$R_{w800}$ (%) <sup>d</sup>
		N <sub>2</sub>	Air	N <sub>2</sub>	Air	
<b>Ia</b>	280	475	465	495	495	53
<b>Ib</b>	270	495	485	530	540	70
<b>Ic</b>	290	495	510	535	560	68
<b>I'a</b>	315	450	440	475	490	59
<b>I'b</b>	290	490	480	585	570	71
<b>I'c</b>	295	520	495	575	555	73

<sup>a</sup> The polymer film samples were heated at 300 °C for 1 h prior to all the thermal analyses.

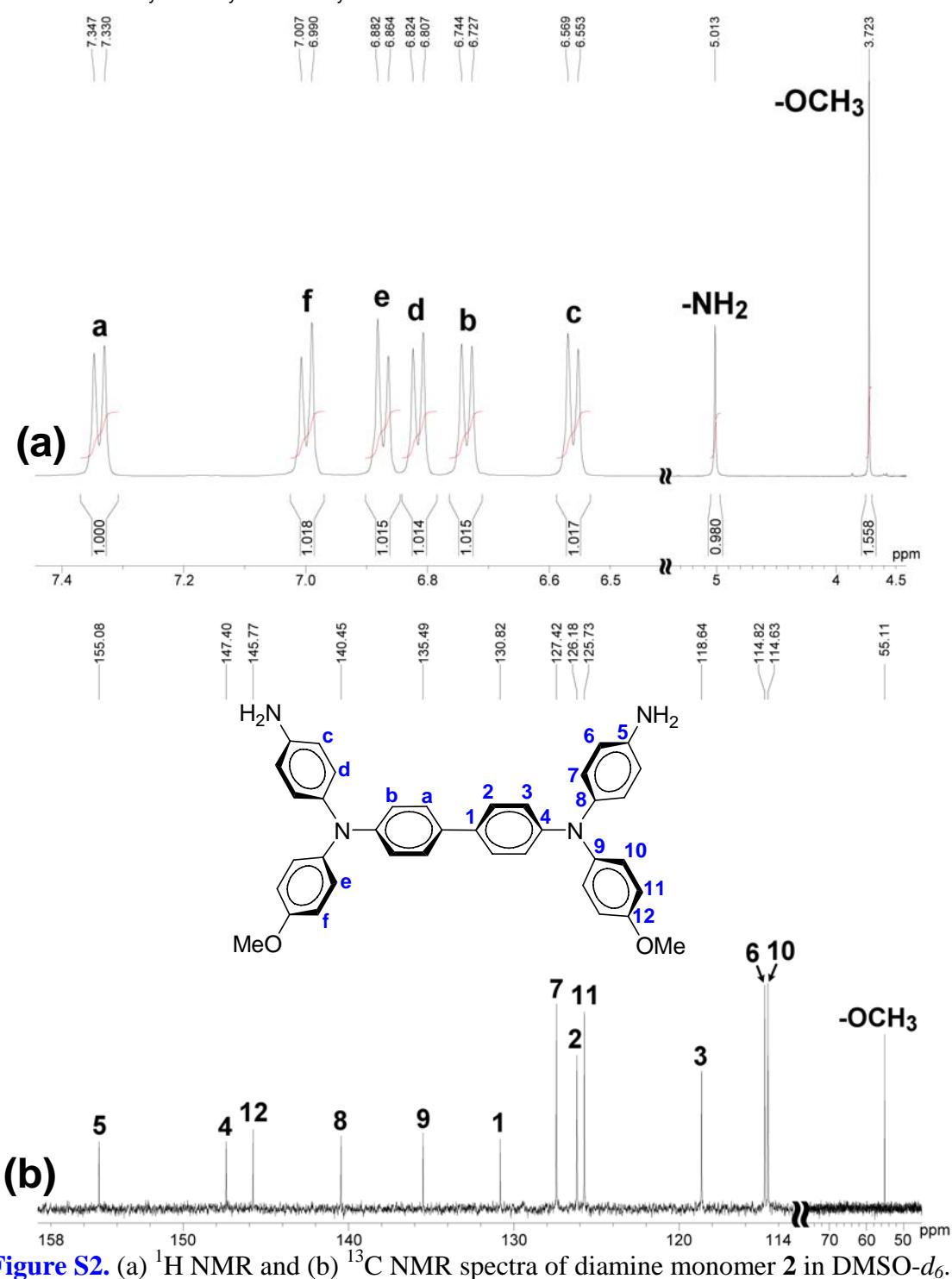
<sup>b</sup> Midpoint temperature of baseline shift on the second DSC heating trace (rate: 20 °C /min) of the sample after quenching from 400 °C to 50 °C (rate: 200 °C /min) in nitrogen.

<sup>c</sup> Temperature at which 5 % and 10% weight loss occurred, respectively, recorded by TGA at a heating rate of 20 °C/min and a gas flow rate of 20 cm<sup>3</sup>/min.

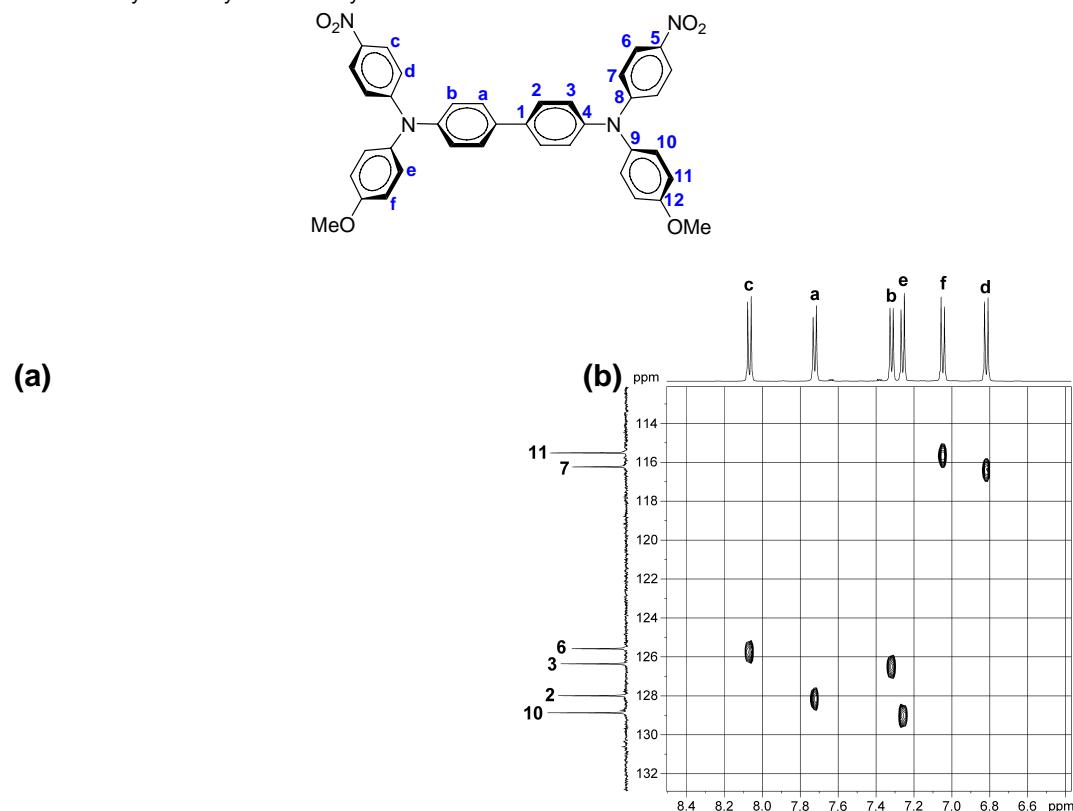
<sup>d</sup> Residual weight percentages at 800 °C under nitrogen flow.



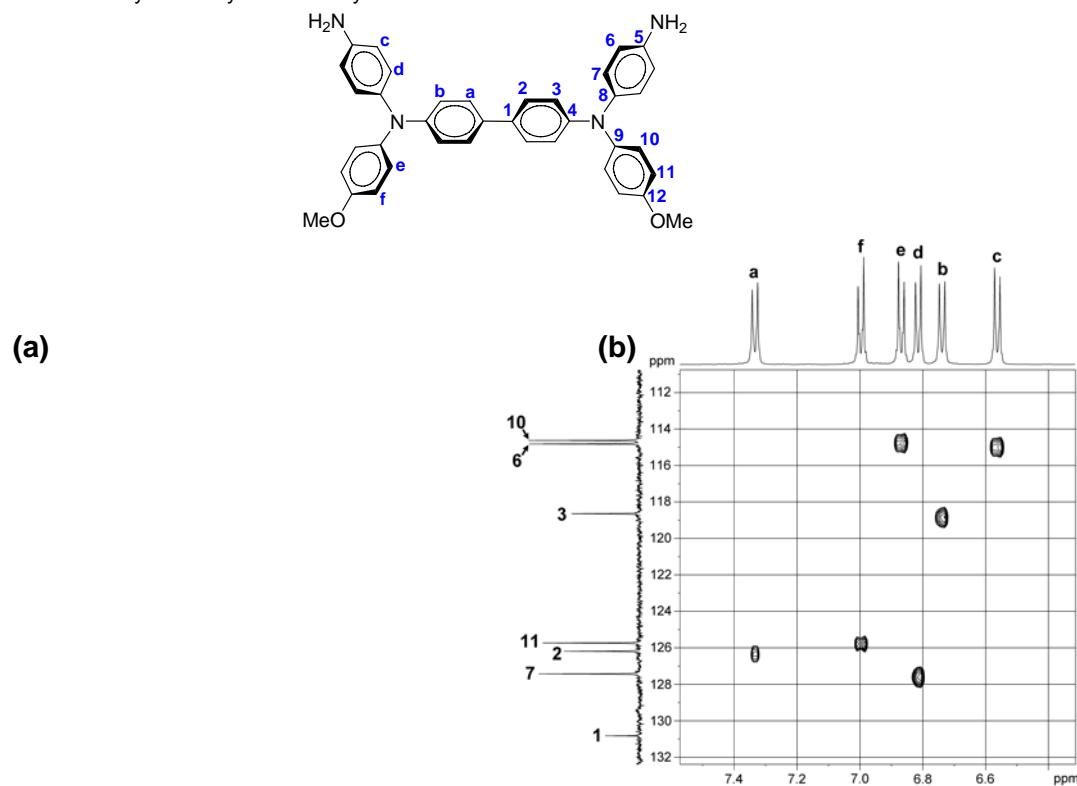
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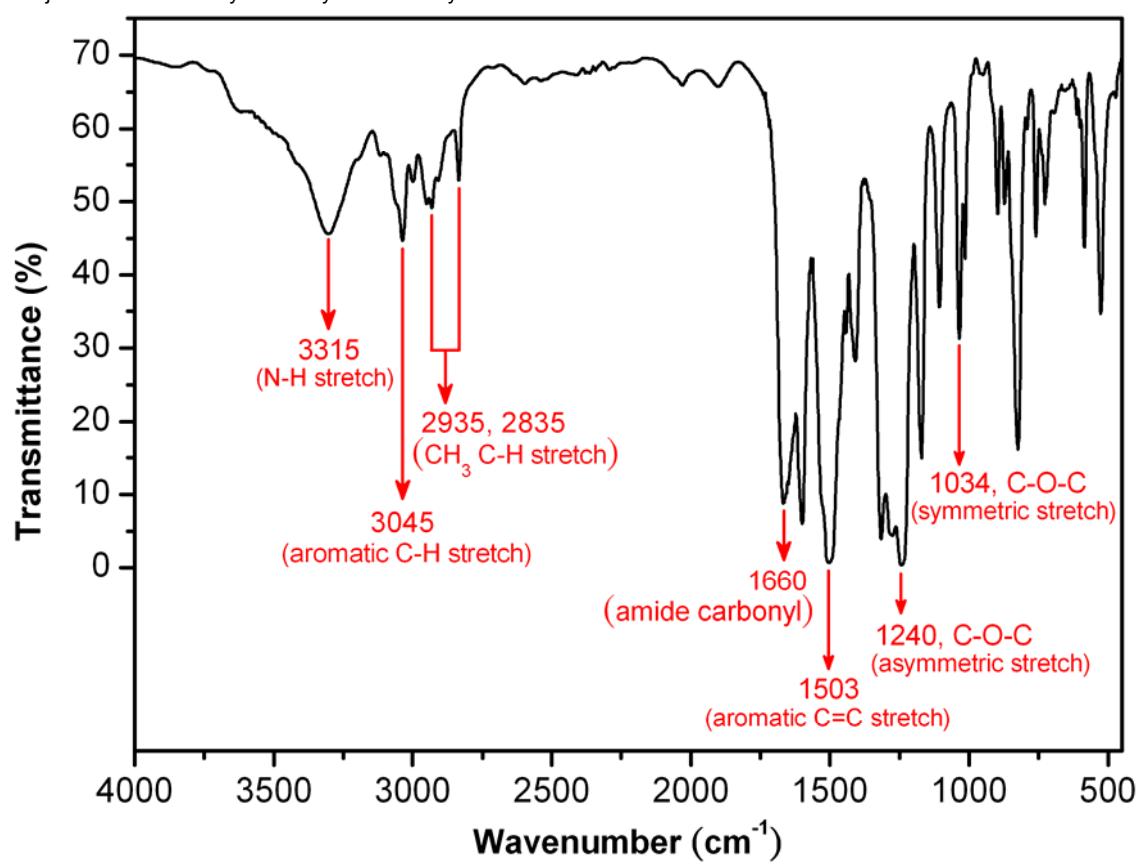
**Figure S2.** (a) <sup>1</sup>H NMR and (b) <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of diamine monomer **2** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



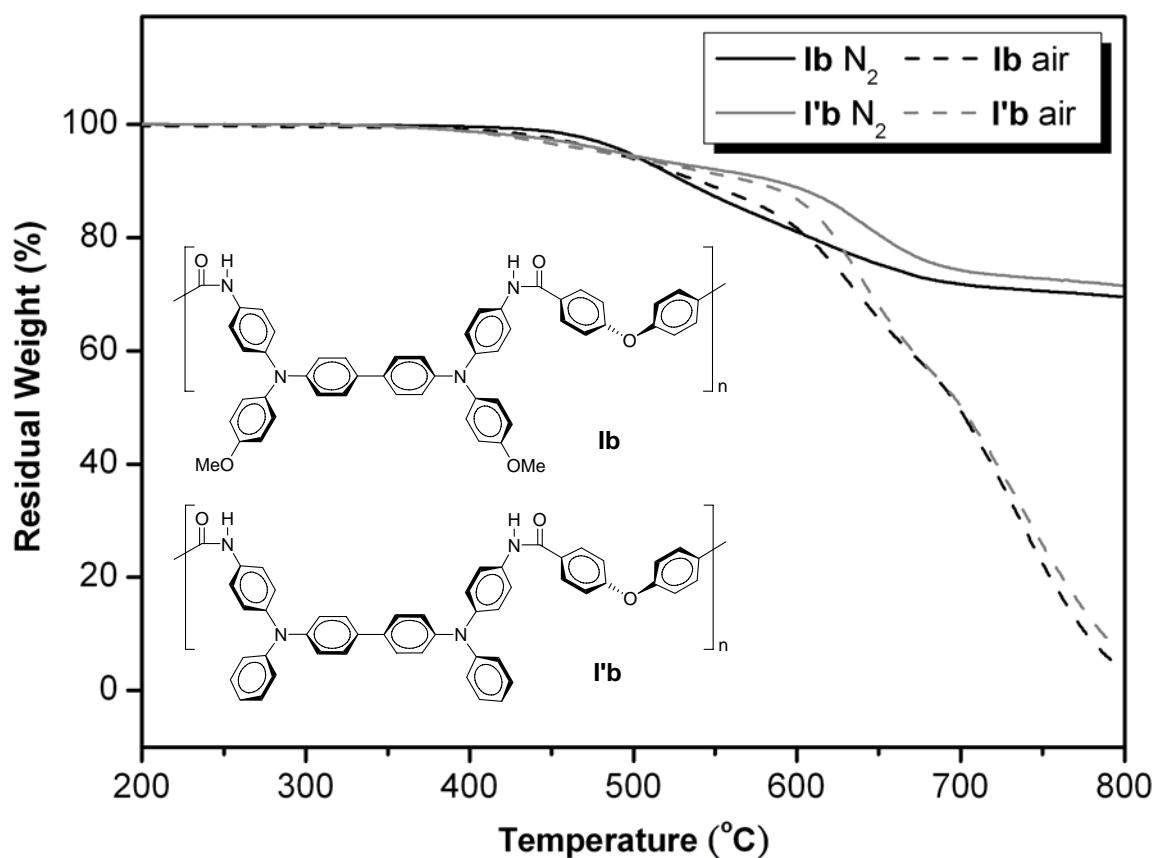
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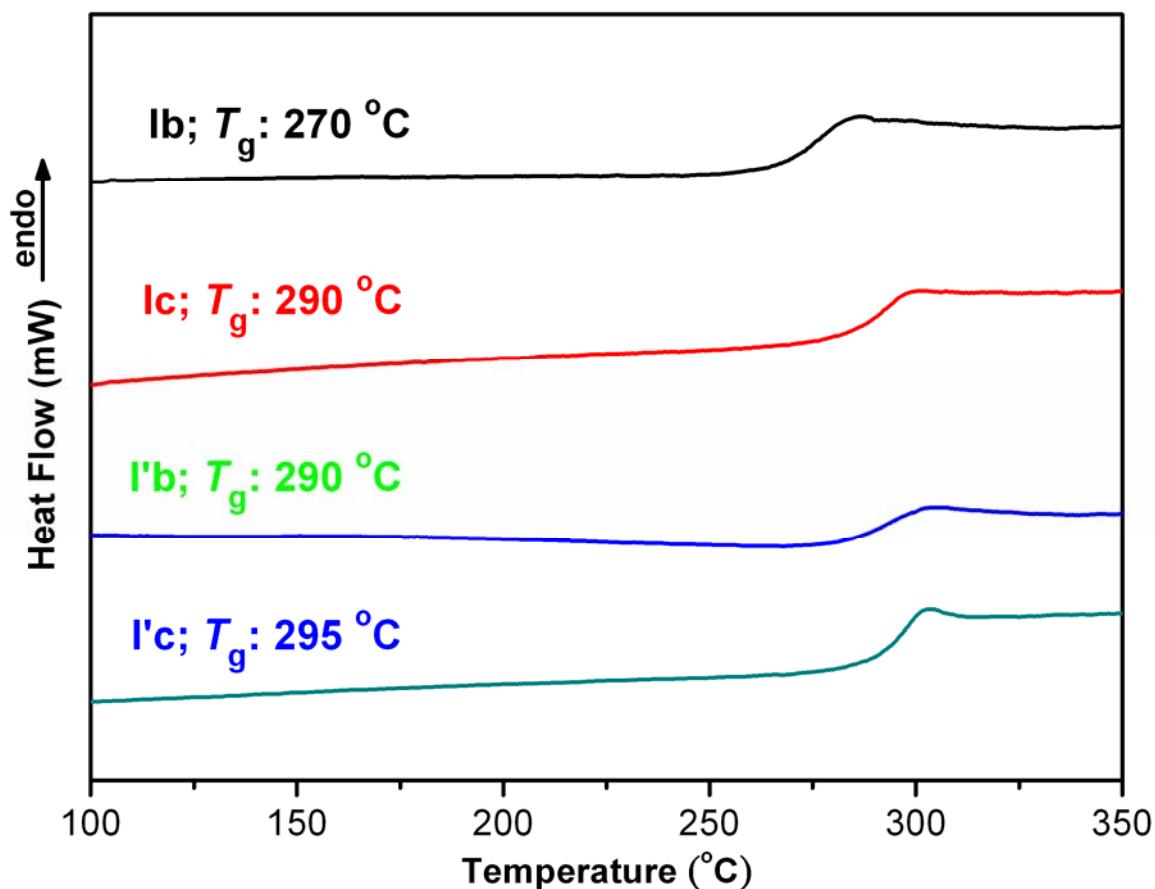
**Figure S4.** 2D (a) H-H COSY and (b) C-H HMQC NMR spectra of diamine monomer **2** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



**Figure S5.** IR spectrum of polyamide **Ib** film.



**Figure S6.** TGA thermograms of polyamides **Ib** and **I'b** at a scan rate of 20 °C/min.



**Figure S7.** DSC traces of polyamides with a heating rate of 20 °C/min in nitrogen.