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Figure S1. $^1$H and $^{13}$C NMR spectra of V6 in CD$_2$OD recorded at room temperature.
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Figure S3. $^1$H and $^{13}$C NMR spectra of V8 in CD$_3$OD recorded at room temperature.
Figure S4. $^1$H and $^{13}$C NMR spectra of V9 in CD$_3$OD recorded at room temperature.
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Figure S8. $^1$H NMR spectrum of V16 in CD$_3$OD recorded at room temperature.
**Figure S9.** $^1$H NMR spectrum of V18 in CD$_3$OD recorded at room temperature.

**Figure S10.** DSC thermograms of V7 obtained at heating and cooling rates of 10 °C/min in nitrogen.
**Figure S11.** DSC thermograms of V10 obtained at heating and cooling rates of 10 °C/min in nitrogen.

**Figure S12.** DSC thermograms of V12 obtained at heating and cooling rates of 10 °C/min in nitrogen.
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Figure S14. DSC thermograms of **V16** obtained at heating and cooling rates of 10 °C/min in nitrogen.
Figure S15. POM texture of V18 taken at 200 °C exhibiting SmA phase.

Figure S16. TGA thermograms of V6–V9 obtained a heating rate of 10 °C/min in nitrogen.