



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO  
**Structural effects of the monomer type on the properties of  
copolyimides and copolyimide–silica hybrid materials**

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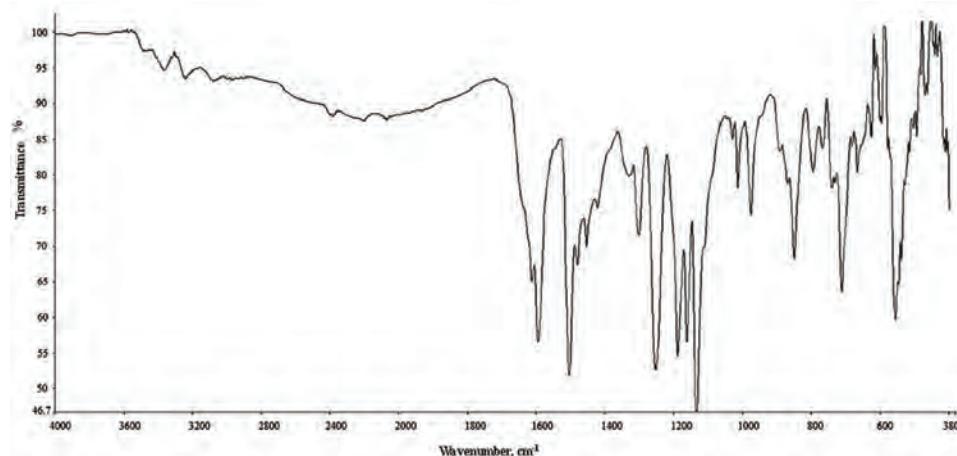


Fig. S-1. FTIR spectrum of bis[4-(3-aminophenoxy)phenyl]phenylphosphine oxide (m-BAPPO).

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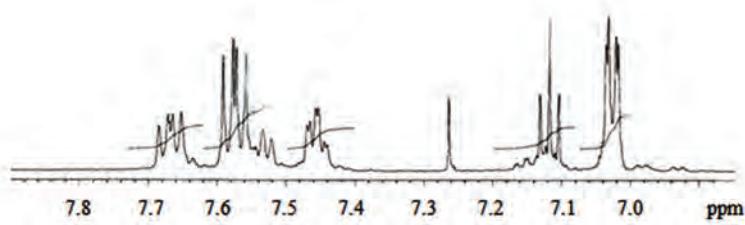
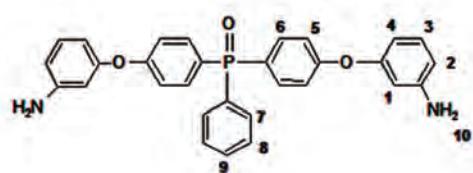
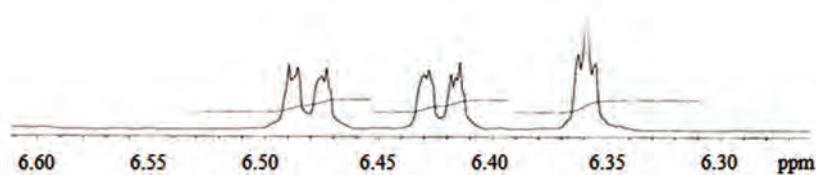


Fig. S-2. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of bis[4-(3-aminophenoxy)phenyl]phenylphosphine oxide (*m*-BAPPO).

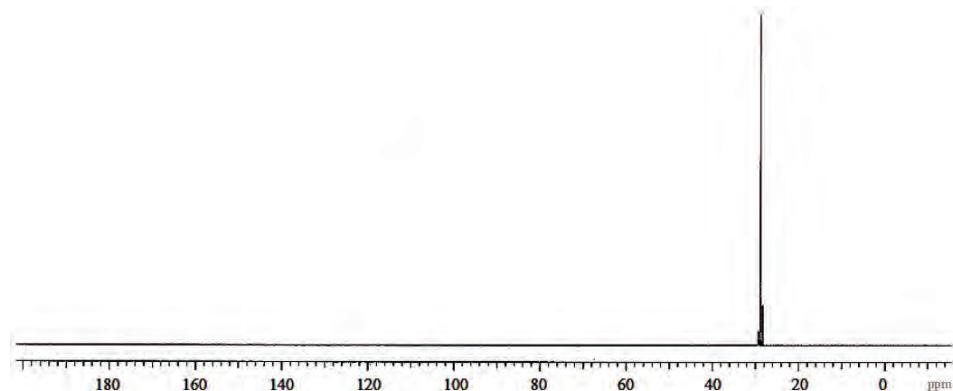


Fig. S-3. <sup>31</sup>P-NMR spectrum of bis[4-(3-aminophenoxy)phenyl]phenylphosphine oxide (*m*-BAPPO).

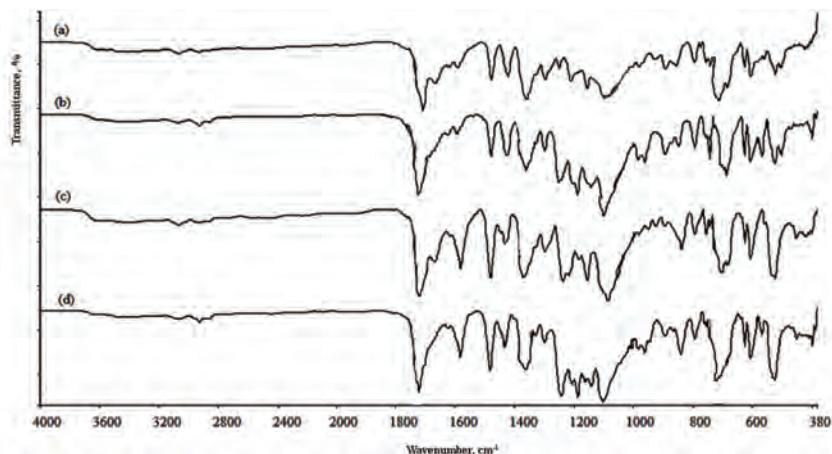


Fig. S-4. FTIR spectrum of: a) BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide; b) BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide; c) *m*-BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide; d) *m*-BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide.

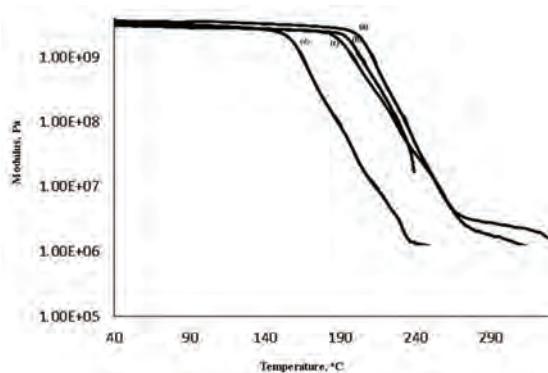


Fig. S-5. Storage ( $E'$ ) modulus of: a) BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide; b) BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide; c) *m*-BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide; d) *m*-BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide as functions of temperature.

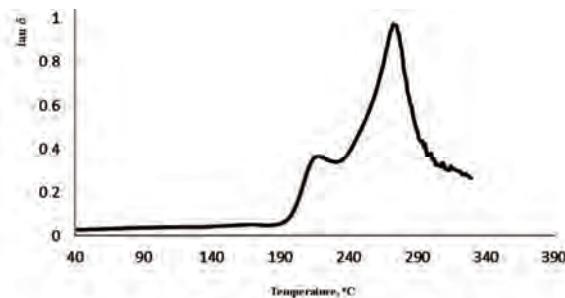


Fig. S-6. The tan  $\delta$  values of the BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide as a function of temperature.

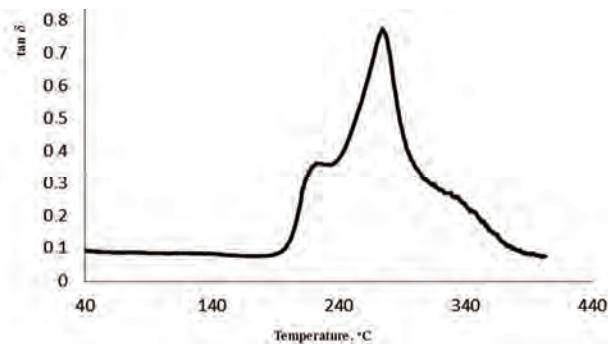


Fig. S-7. The  $\tan \delta$  values of the BAPO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide as a function of temperature.

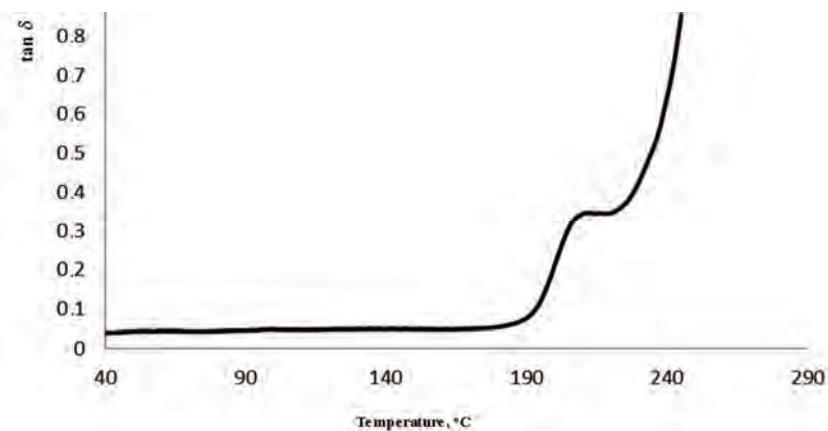


Fig. S-8. The  $\tan \delta$  values of the *m*-BAPO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide as a function of temperature.

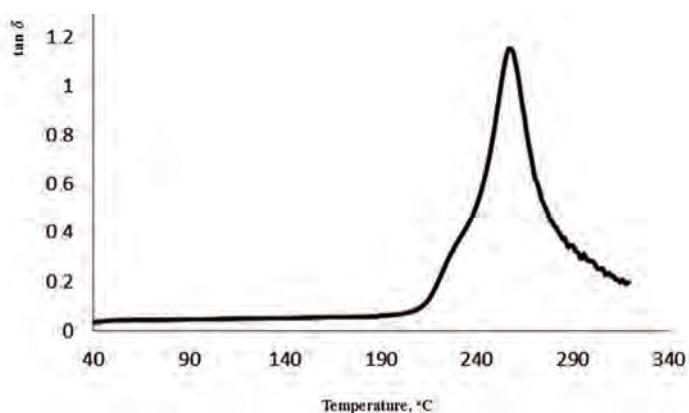


Fig. S-9. The  $\tan \delta$  values of the *m*-BAPO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide as a function of temperature.

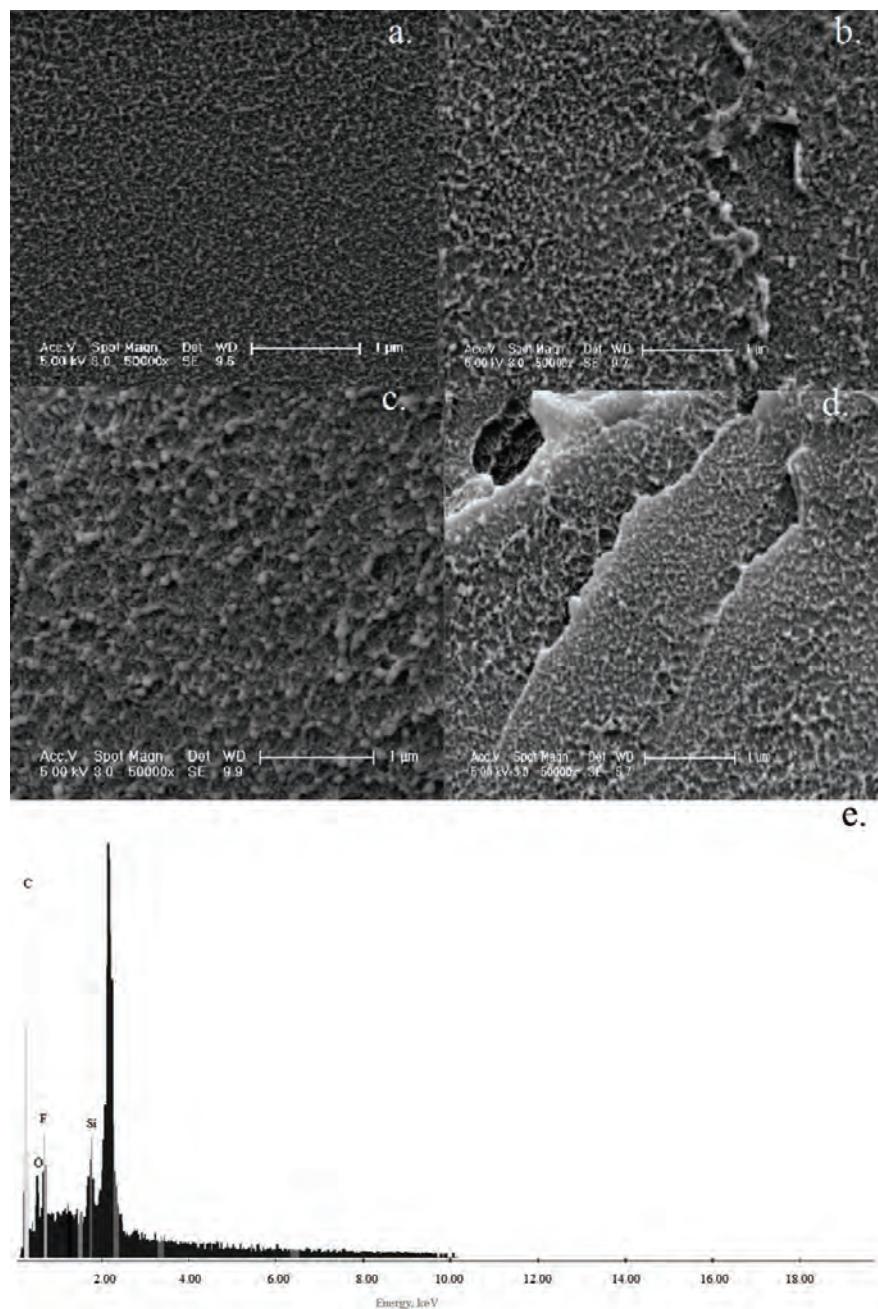
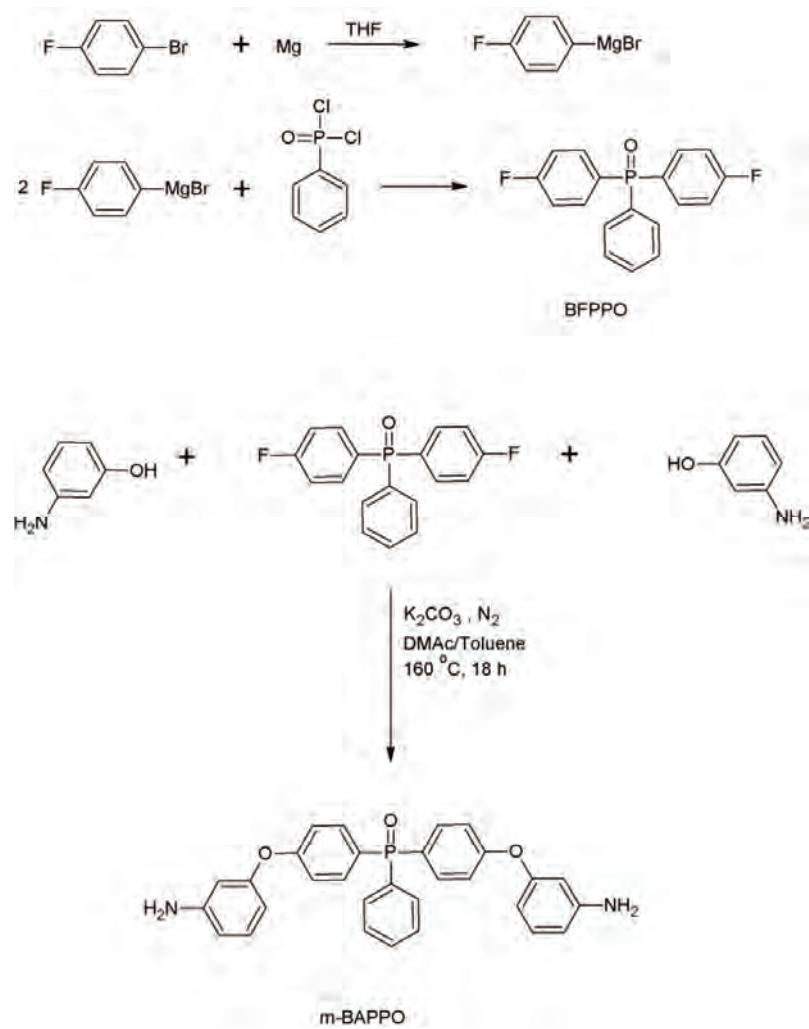
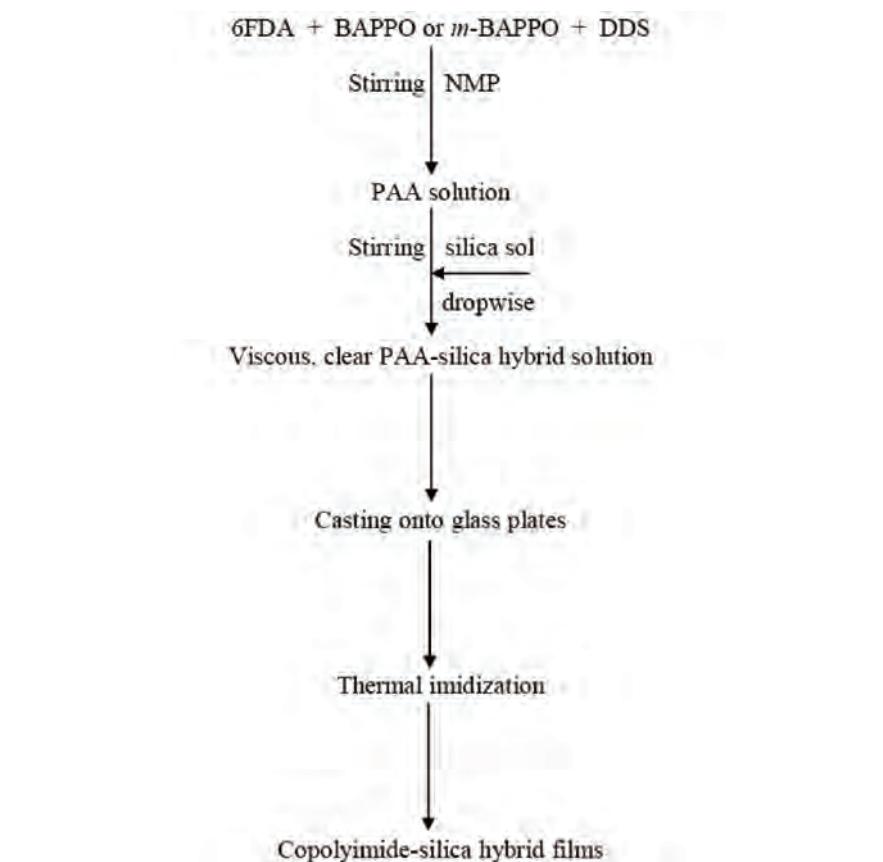


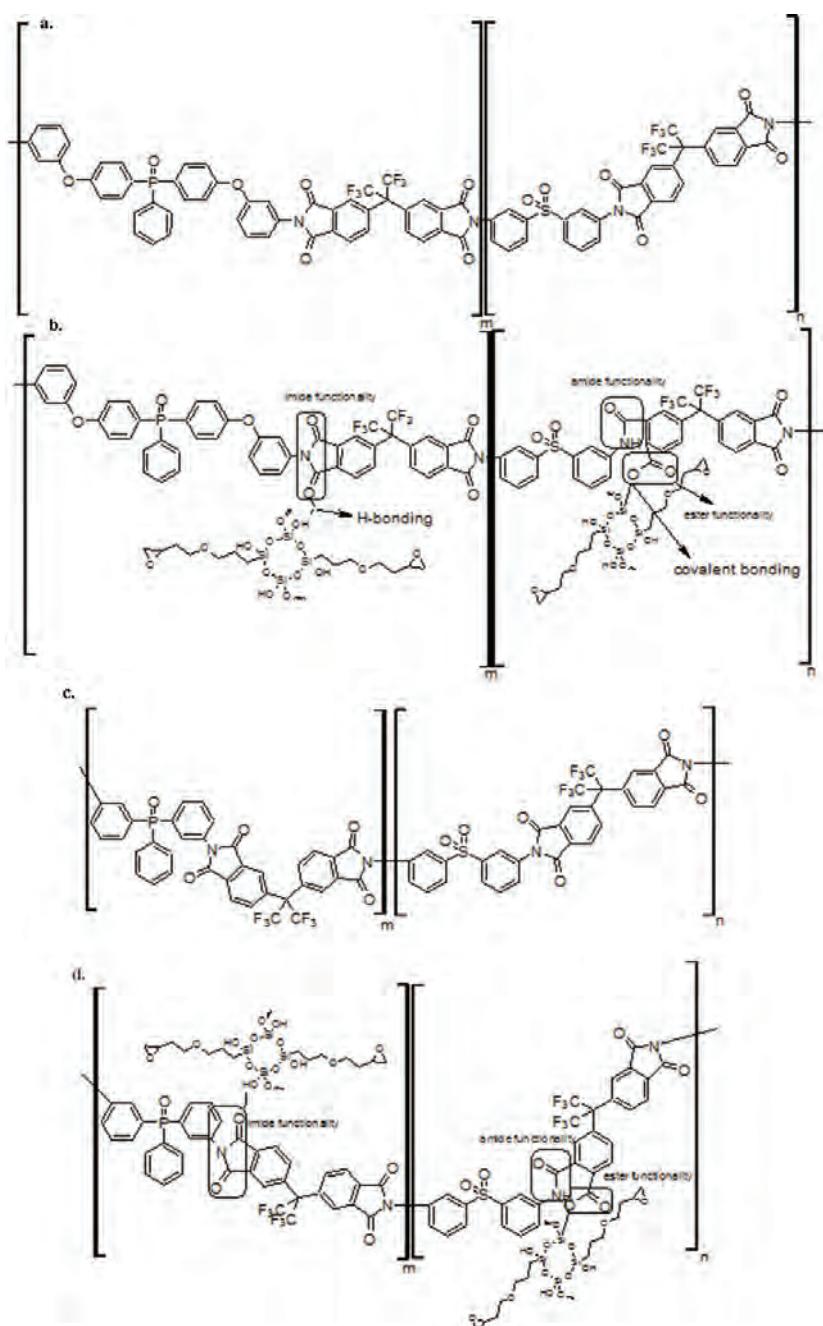
Fig. S-10. SEM image of: a) BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide; b) *m*-BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA copolyimide; c) BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide; d) *m*-BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide; e) SEM-EDS image of BAPOO-3,3'-DDS/6FDA/SiO<sub>2</sub> hybrid copolyimide.



Scheme S-1. The synthesis route to bis[4-(3-aminophenoxy)phenyl]phenylphosphine oxide (*m*-BAPPO).



Scheme S-2. Preparation of copolyimide–silica hybrid films (DSS denotes 3,3'-DSS).



Scheme S-3. a and c) The chemical structure of the copolyimides; b and d) the chemical structure of the copolyimide-silica hybrids.