

Supplementary Materials for

Stimulus-responsive room temperature phosphorescence materials with full-color tunability from pure organic amorphous polymers

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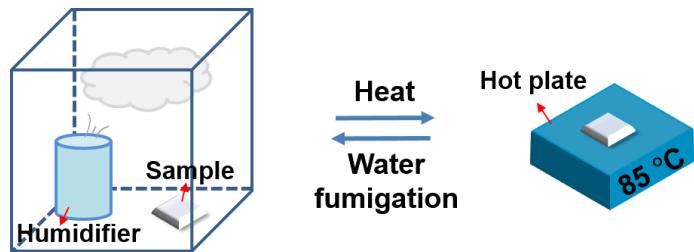


fig. S1. The schematic diagram of heat/water stimulus-responsive processes. First, put the prepared film and humidifier in a closed container. Ten minutes after the humidifier was turned on, the film was took out and its RTP performance was studied. Then, heat the water-fumigated film at 85 °C for 10 minutes to desiccate. After the film was cooled to room temperature, its RTP effect was measured again. This process could be repeated for at least five times.

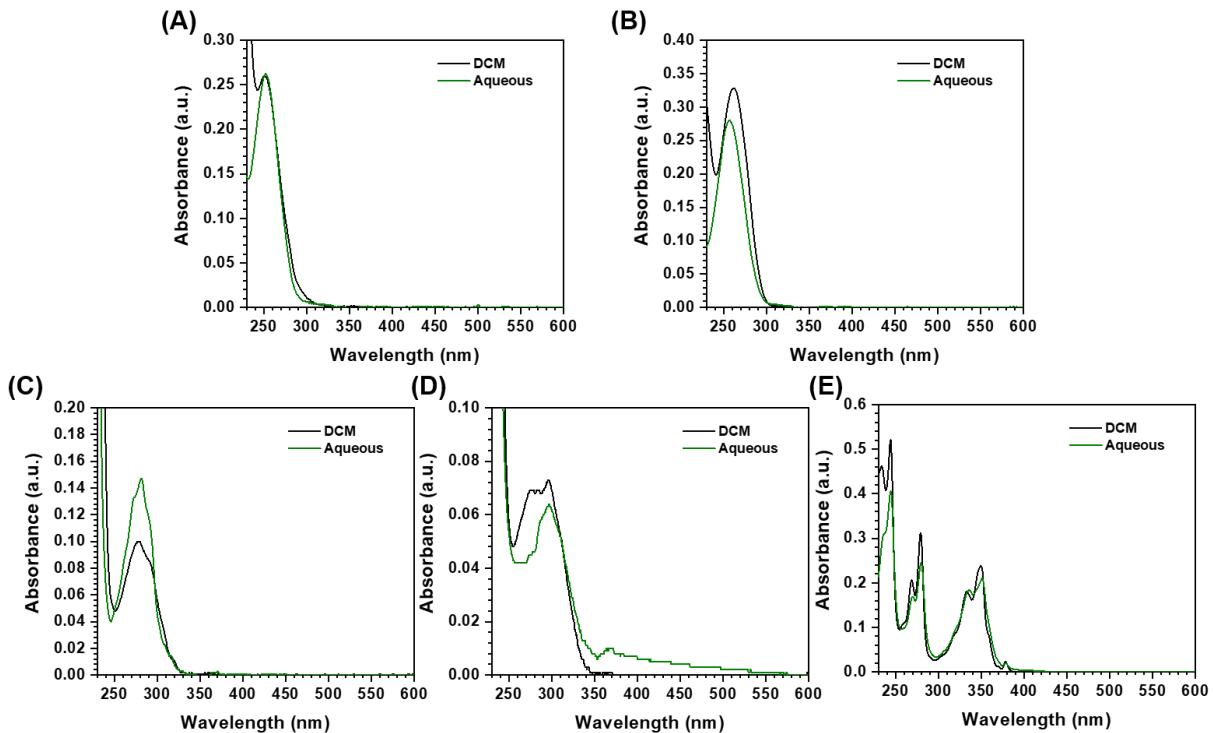


fig. S2. The UV-vis absorption spectra of target polymers. The UV-vis absorption spectra of aqueous phase (green line) and dichloromethane (DCM) solution (black line) after extracting (A) ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA**, (B) ***p*-Bp-BOH-PVA**, (C) **Nap-BOH-PVA**, (D) **BNap-BOH-PVA** and (E) **Py-BOH-PVA** prepared aqueous solutions by dichloromethane (DCM) with the volume ratio of 1:1.

The reaction yield between **PVA** and arylboronic acids was calculated based on following equation:

$$A = \lg(1/T) = Kbc \quad (a)$$

$$\text{Reaction yield} = A_{\text{aqueous}} / (A_{\text{aqueous}} + A_{\text{DCM}})$$

Where A , T , K , b , c , A_{aqueous} and A_{DCM} are absorbance, transmittance, molar absorption coefficient, the distance the light travels in the sample and the concentration of the solution, absorbance in aqueous solution and absorbance in DCM solution.

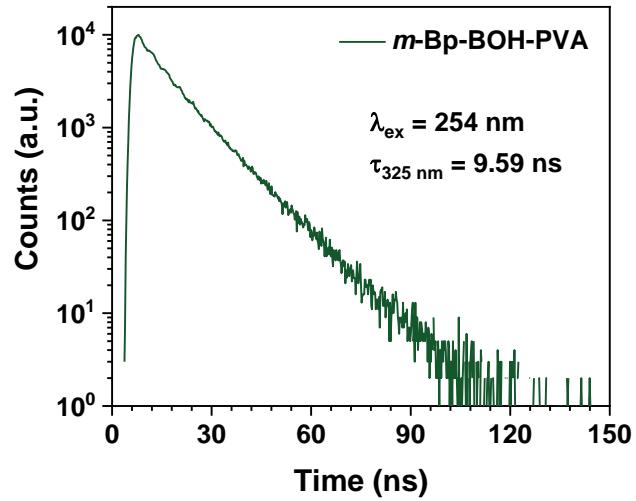


fig. S3. Fluorescence lifetime of *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA film. Time-resolved fluorescence-decay profile of ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA** film.

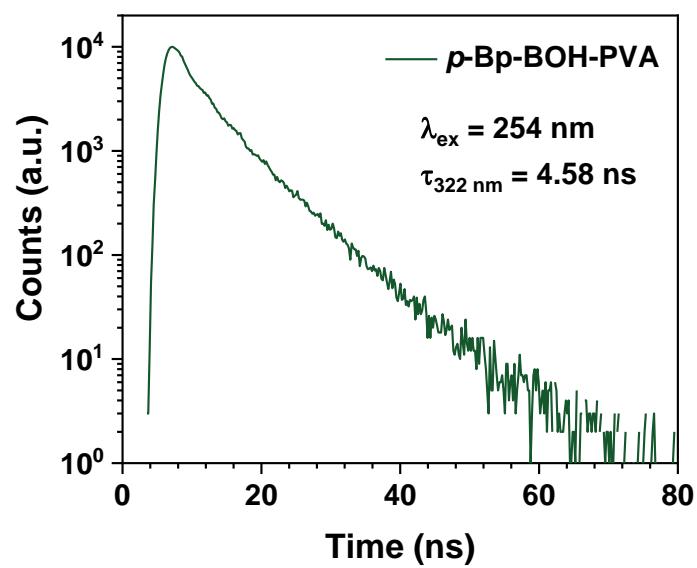


fig. S4. Fluorescence lifetime of *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA film. Time-resolved fluorescence-decay profile of *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA film.

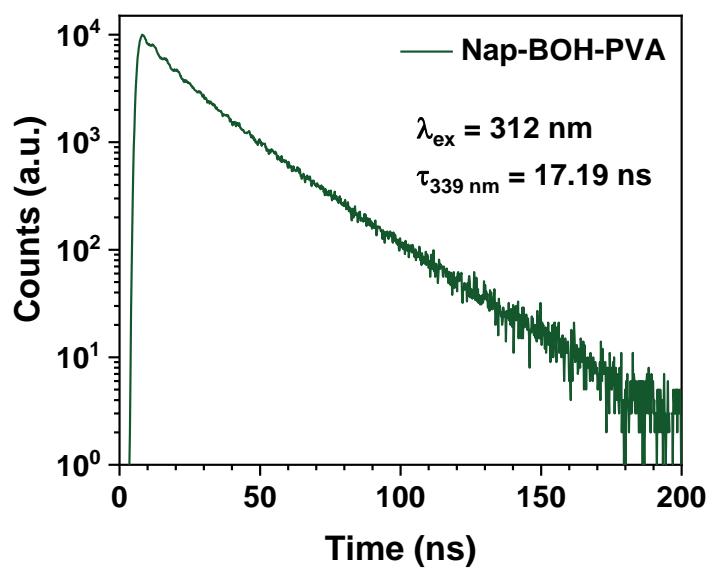


fig. S5. Fluorescence lifetime of Nap-BOH-PVA film. Time-resolved fluorescence-decay profile of Nap-BOH-PVA film.

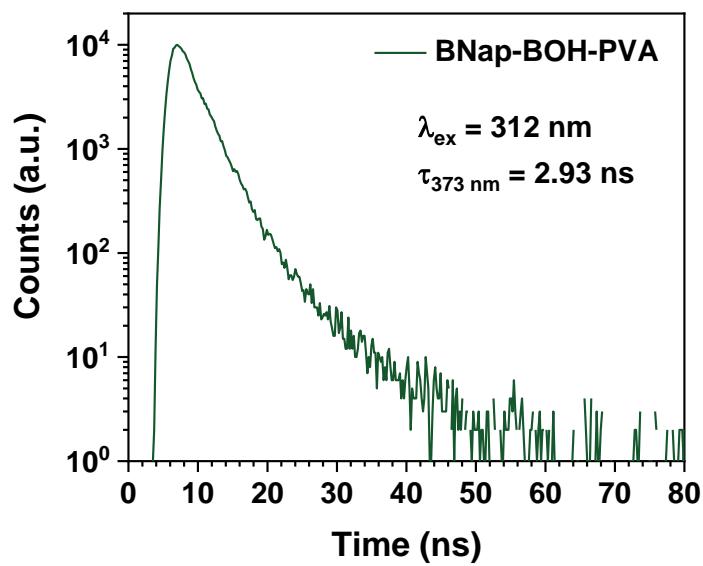


fig. S6. Fluorescence lifetime of BNap-BOH-PVA film. Time-resolved fluorescence-decay profile of BNap-BOH-PVA film.

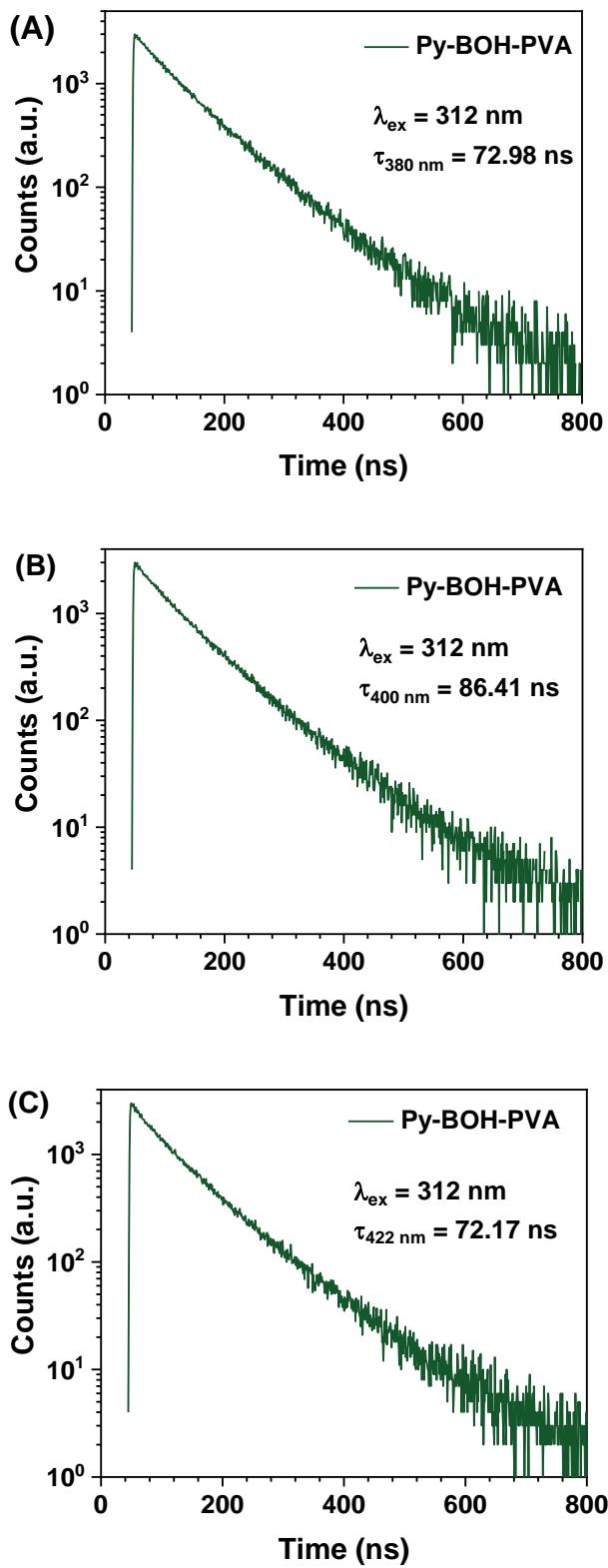


fig. S7. Fluorescence lifetime of Py-BOH-PVA film. Time-resolved fluorescence-decay profiles of Py-BOH-PVA film at emission peaks of 380 nm (A), 400 nm (B) and 422 nm (C) respectively.

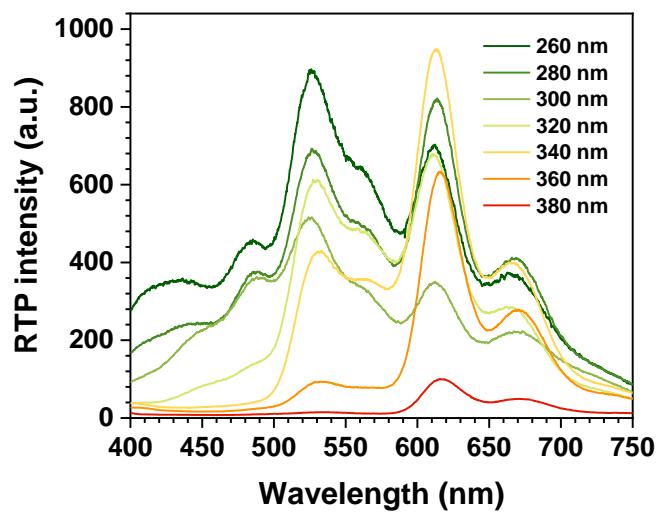


fig. S8. Excitation-dependent RTP spectra of Py-BOH-PVA. Phosphorescence spectra of **Py-BOH-PVA** excited by different wavelengths from 260 to 380 nm.

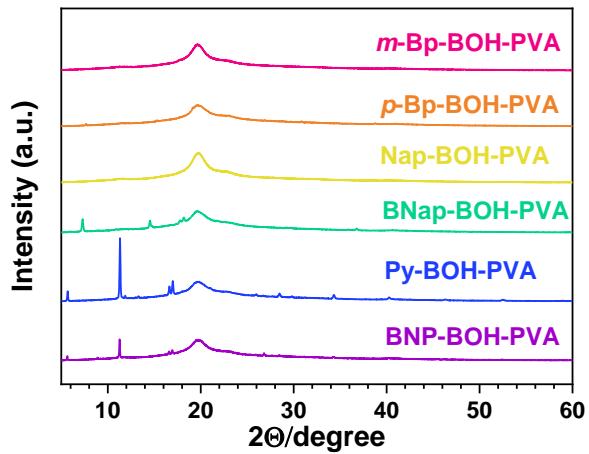


fig. S9. PXRD patterns of target polymers. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns of *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA, *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA, Nap-BOH-PVA, BNap-BOH-PVA, Py-BOH-PVA and BNP-BOH-PVA films.

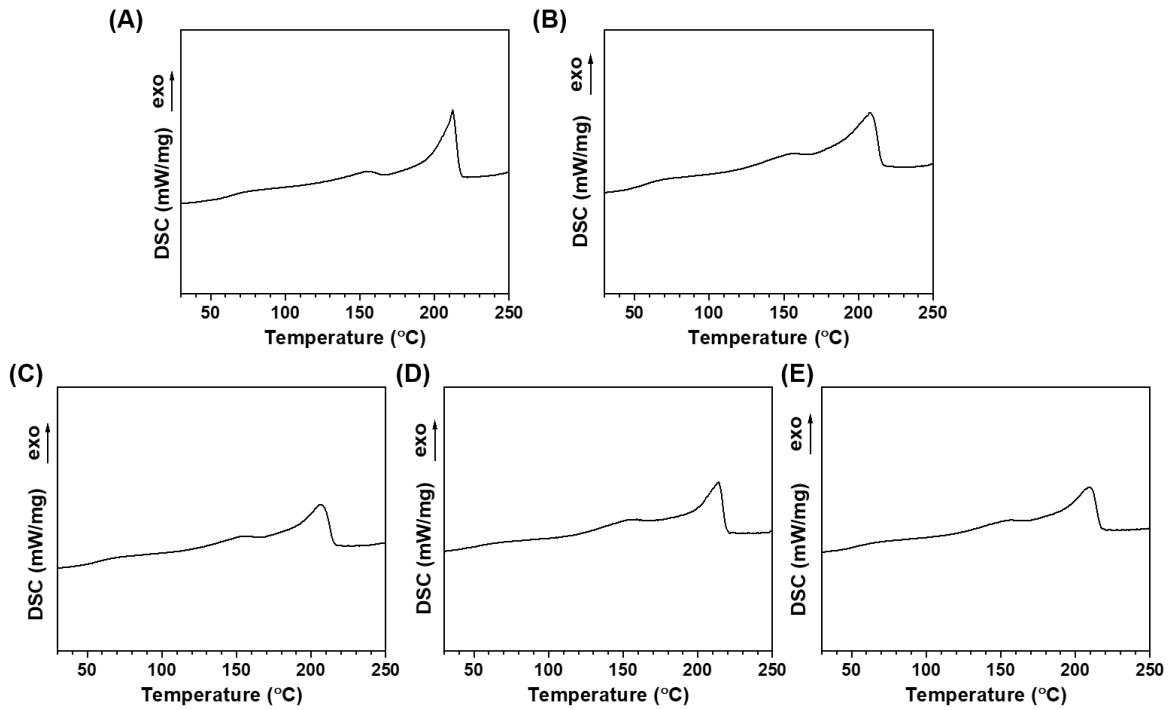


fig. S10. DSC curves of target polymers. The differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) curves of (A) ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA**, (B) ***p*-Bp-BOH-PVA**, (C) **Nap-BOH-PVA**, (D) **BNap-BOH-PVA** and (E) **Py-BOH-PVA** (these data were extracted from the second cycle).

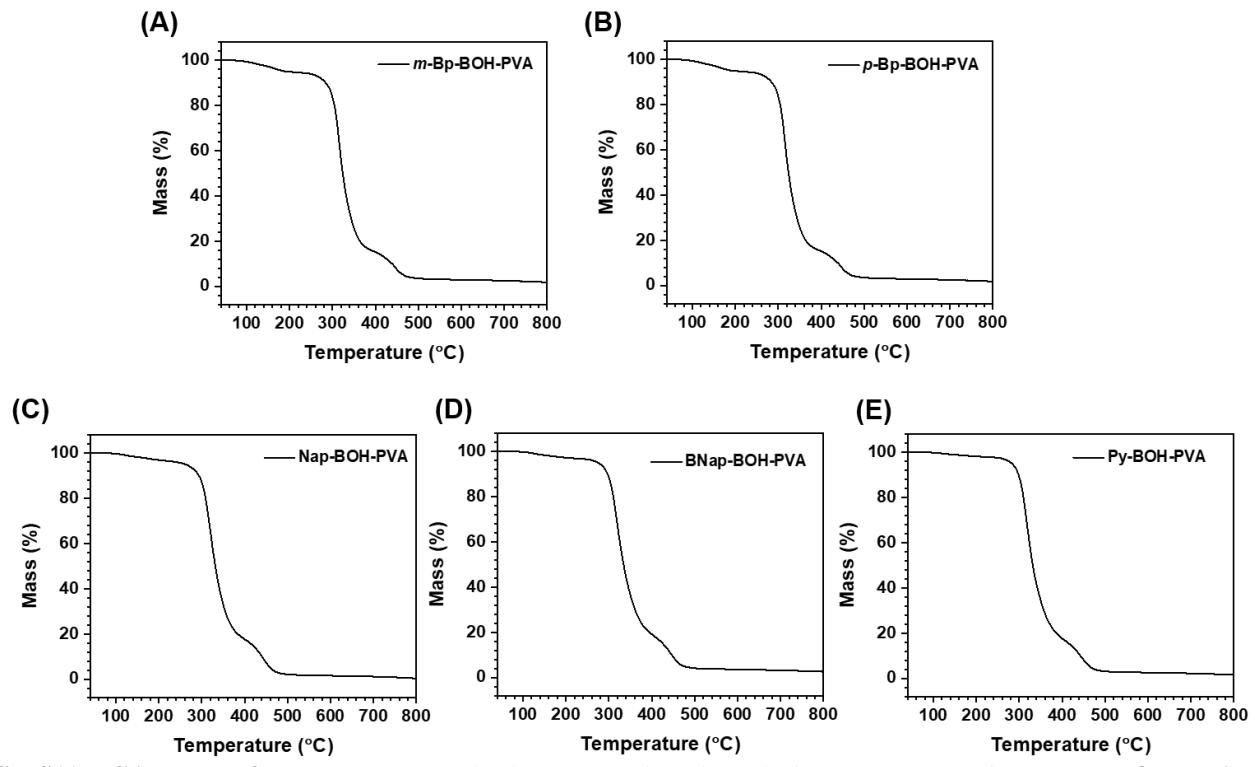


fig. S11. TGA curves of target polymers. The thermos-gravimetric analysis (TGA) curves of (A) ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA**, (B) ***p*-Bp-BOH-PVA**, (C) **Nap-BOH-PVA**, (D) **BNap-BOH-PVA** and (E) **Py-BOH-PVA**.

table S1. Thermal properties of target polymers. Glass transition temperature and thermal decomposition temperature of ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA, *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA, Nap-BOH-PVA, BNap-BOH-PVA and Py-BOH-PVA**.

| | Glass transition temperature/°C | Decomposition ^{a)} temperature /°C |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| <i>m</i>-Bp-BOH-PVA | 52.8 | 315.1 |
| <i>p</i>-Bp-BOH-PVA | 45.6 | 316.9 |
| Nap-BOH-PVA | 42.6 | 321.8 |
| BNap-BOH-PVA | 58.9 | 321.3 |
| Py-BOH-PVA | 43.5 | 318.9 |

^{a)} Decomposition temperatures are based on the decomposition onset temperature.

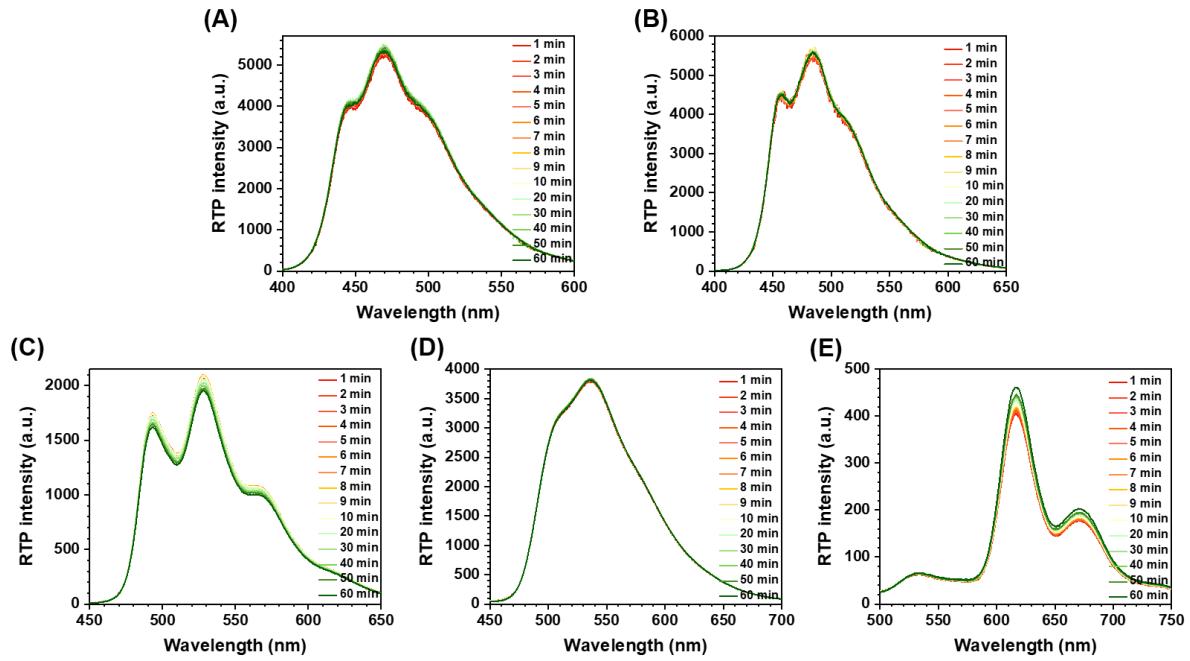


fig. S12. Photostability of target polymers. Phosphorescence spectra illuminated by UV lamp for different times (1-60 min) of (A) *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA, (B) *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA, (C) Nap-BOH-PVA, (D) BNap-BOH-PVA and (E) Py-BOH-PVA films.

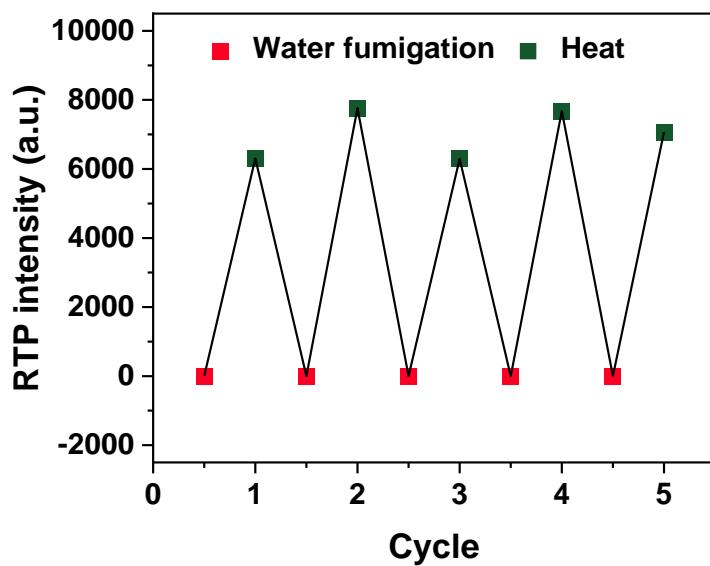


fig. S13. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect for *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA** film. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 470 nm at room temperature.

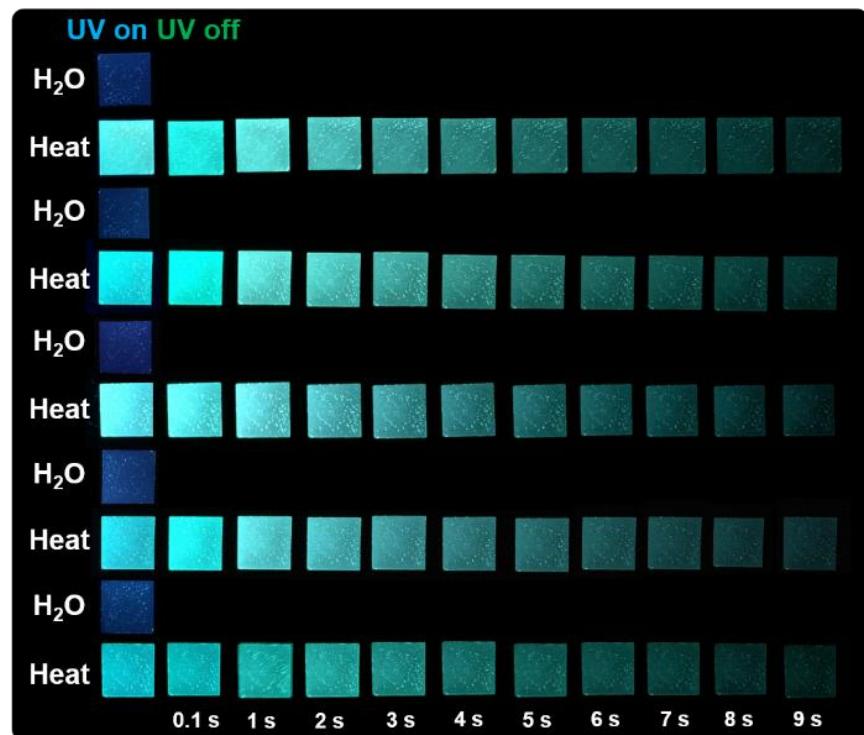


fig. S14. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect for *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA film.

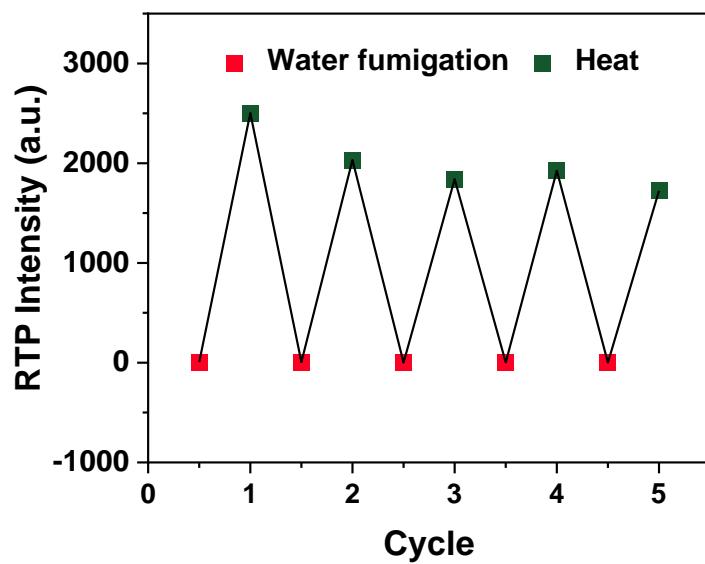


fig. S15. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect for *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA film. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 485 nm at room temperature.

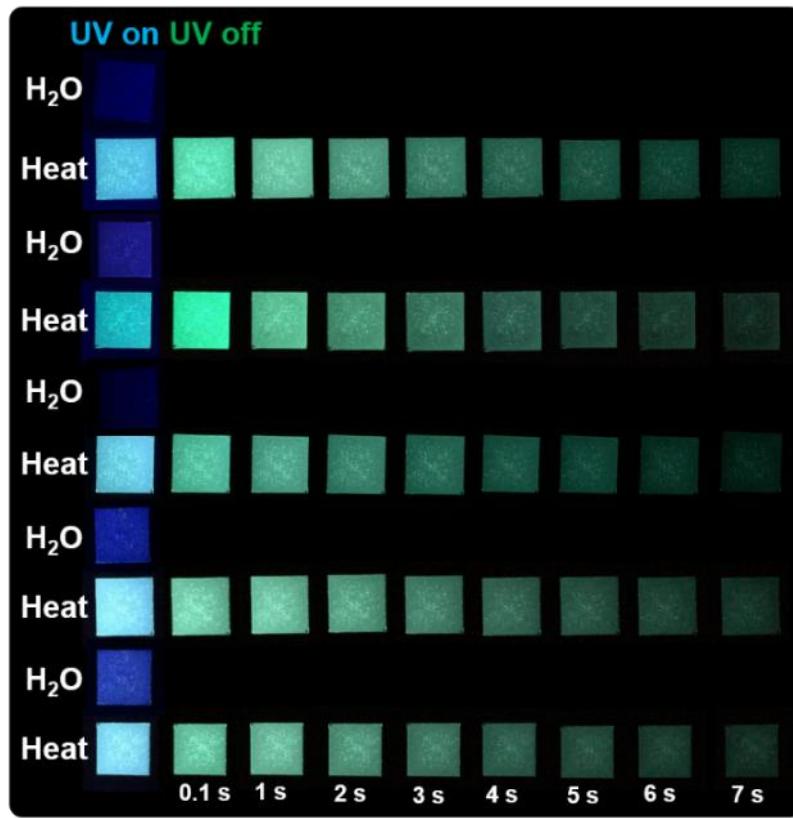


fig. S16. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect for *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA film.

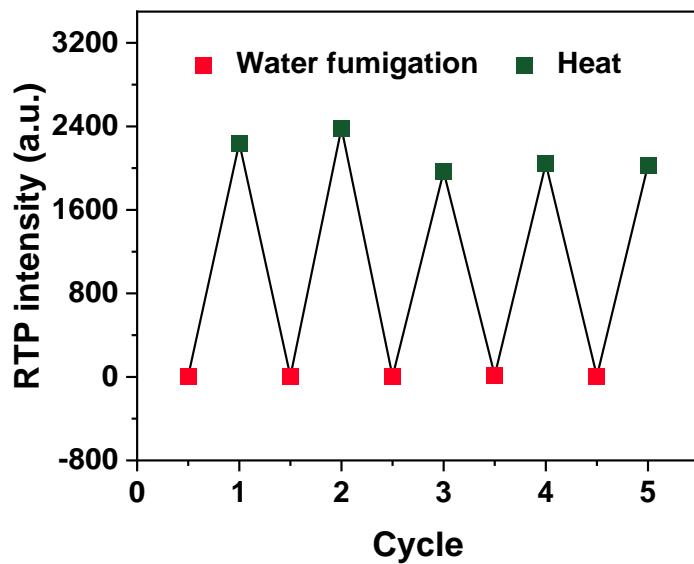


fig. S17. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect for Nap-BOH-PVA. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of Nap-BOH-PVA film. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 525 nm at room temperature.

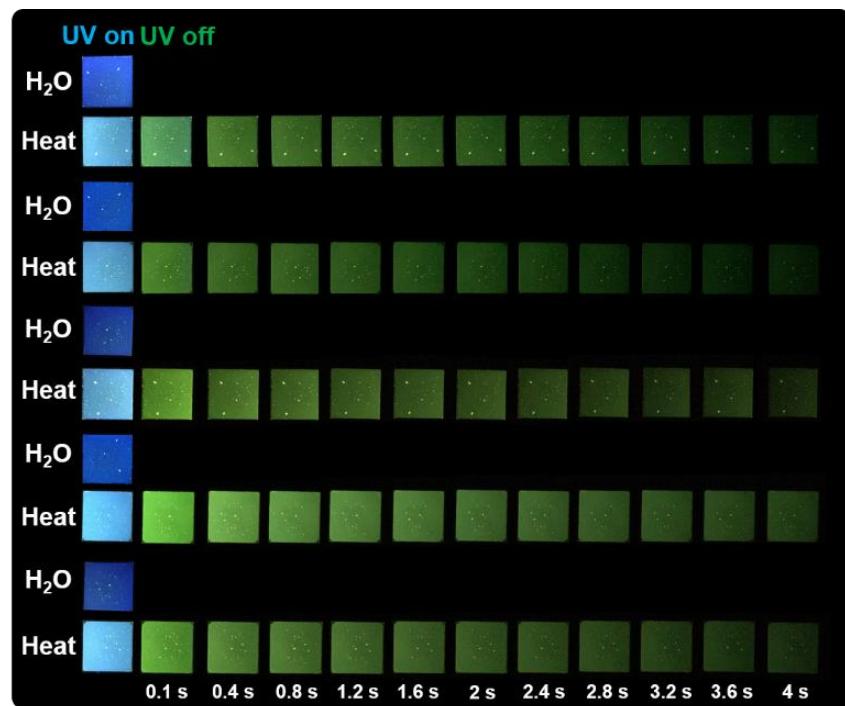


fig. S18. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect for Nap-BOH-PVA. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of Nap-BOH-PVA film.

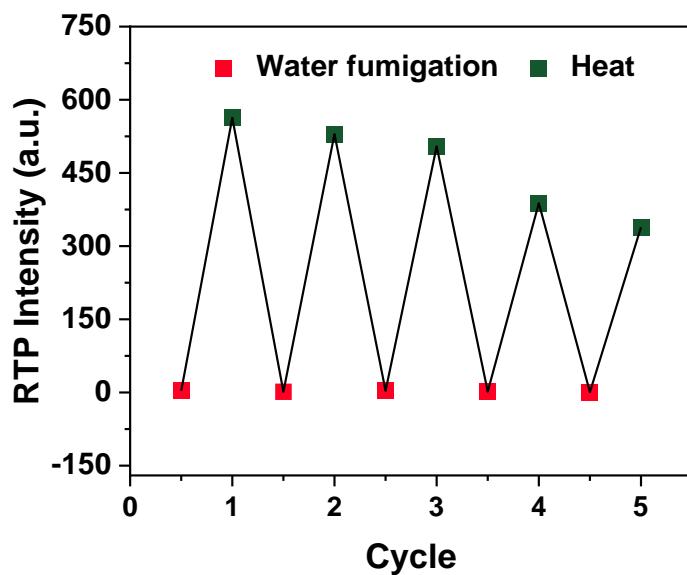


fig. S19. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect for BNap-BOH-PVA. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of BNap-BOH-PVA film. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 535 nm at room temperature.

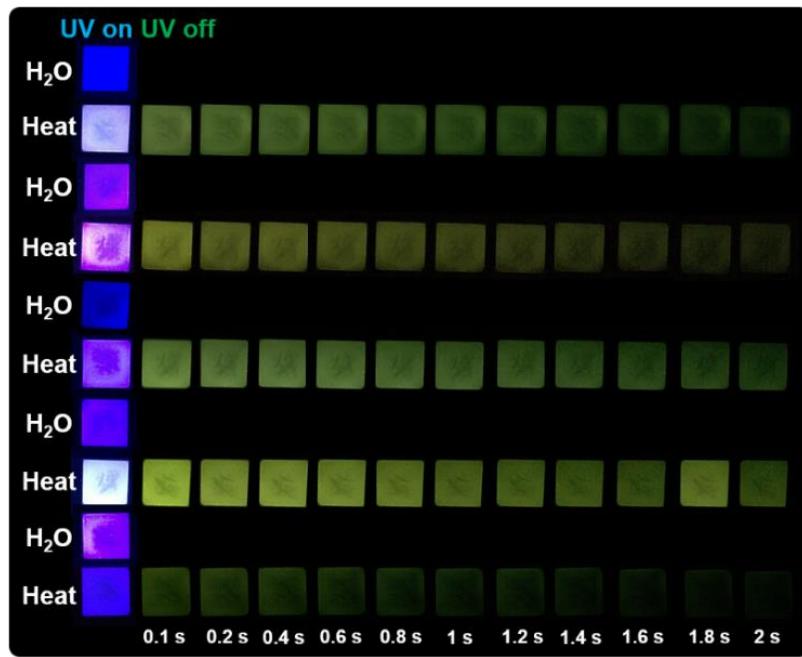


fig. S20. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect for BNap-BOH-PVA. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of BNap-BOH-PVA film.

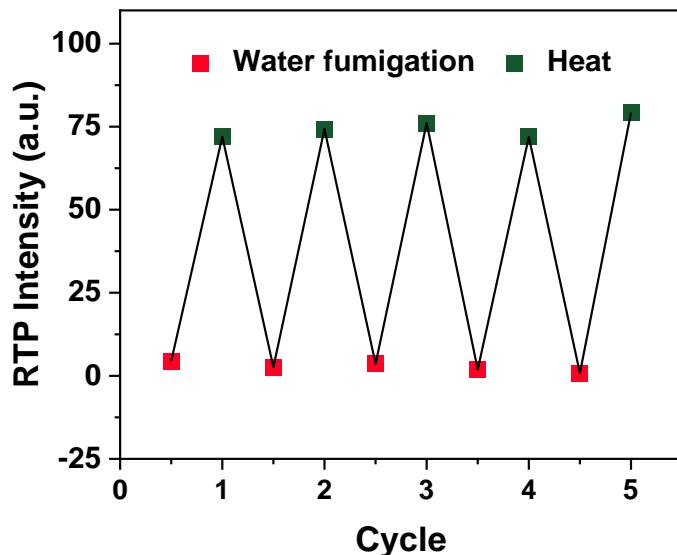


fig. S21. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect for Py-BOH-PVA. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **Py-BOH-PVA** film. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 610 nm at room temperature.

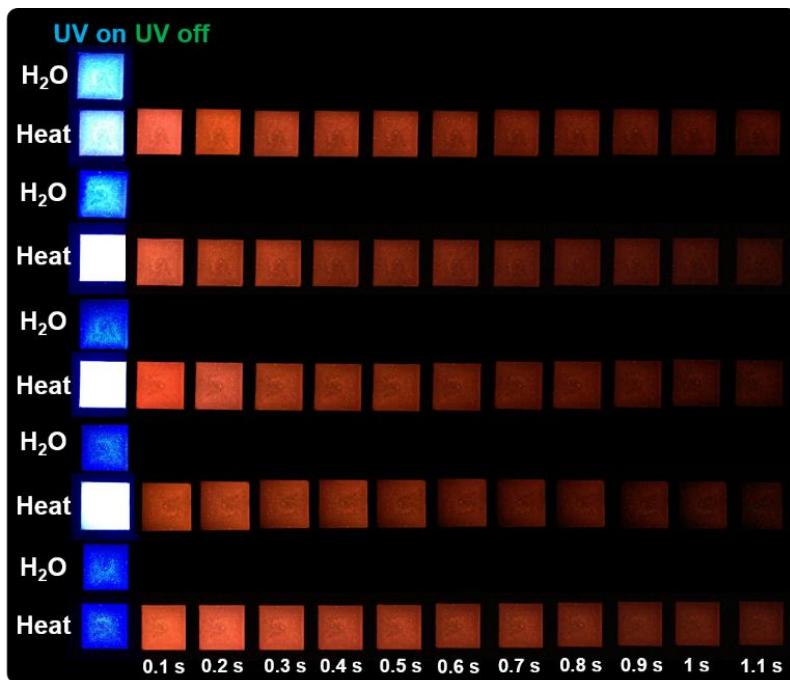


fig. S22. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect for Py-BOH-PVA. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **Py-BOH-PVA** film.

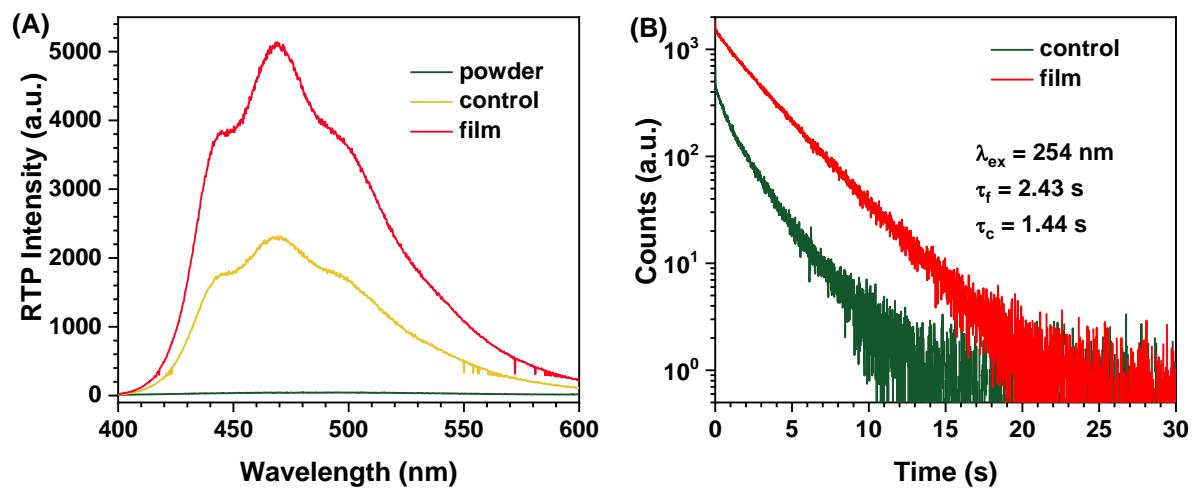


fig. S23. RTP behaviors of *m*-Bp-BOH in different states. (A) The RTP spectra and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profiles of *m*-Bp-BOH powder, *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA-C film and *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA film under ambient condition.

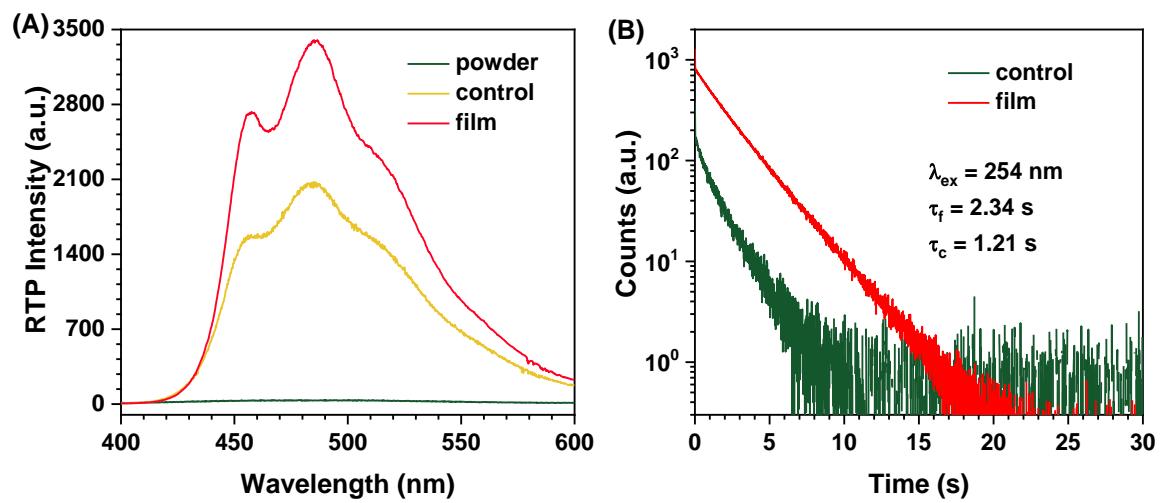


fig. S24. RTP behaviors of *p*-Bp-BOH in different states. (A) The RTP spectra and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profiles of *p*-Bp-BOH powder, *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA-C film and *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA film under ambient condition.

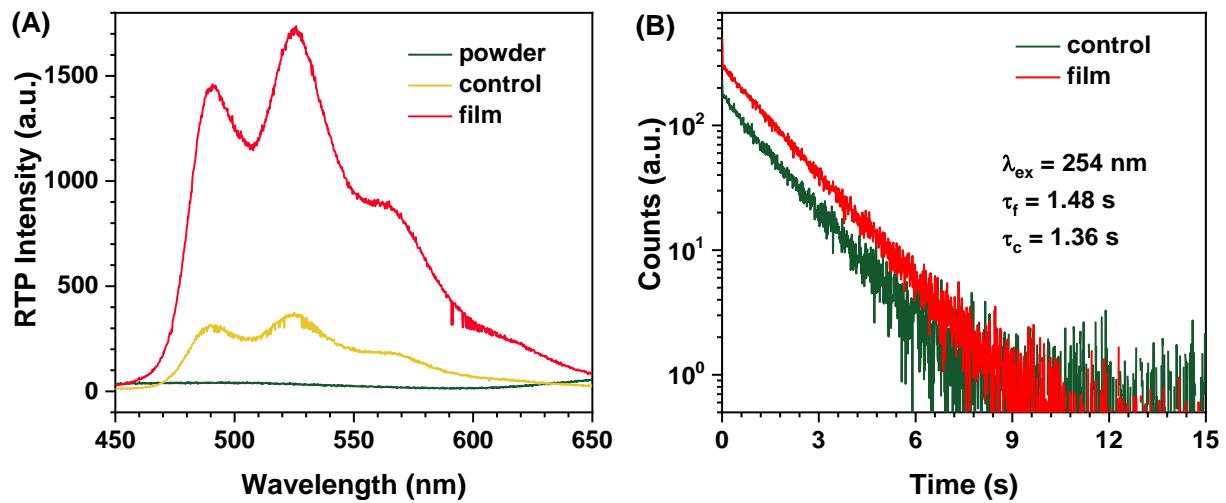


fig. S25. RTP behaviors of Nap-BOH in different states. (A) The RTP spectra and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profiles of Nap-BOH powder, Nap-BOH-PVA-C film and Nap-BOH-PVA film under ambient condition.

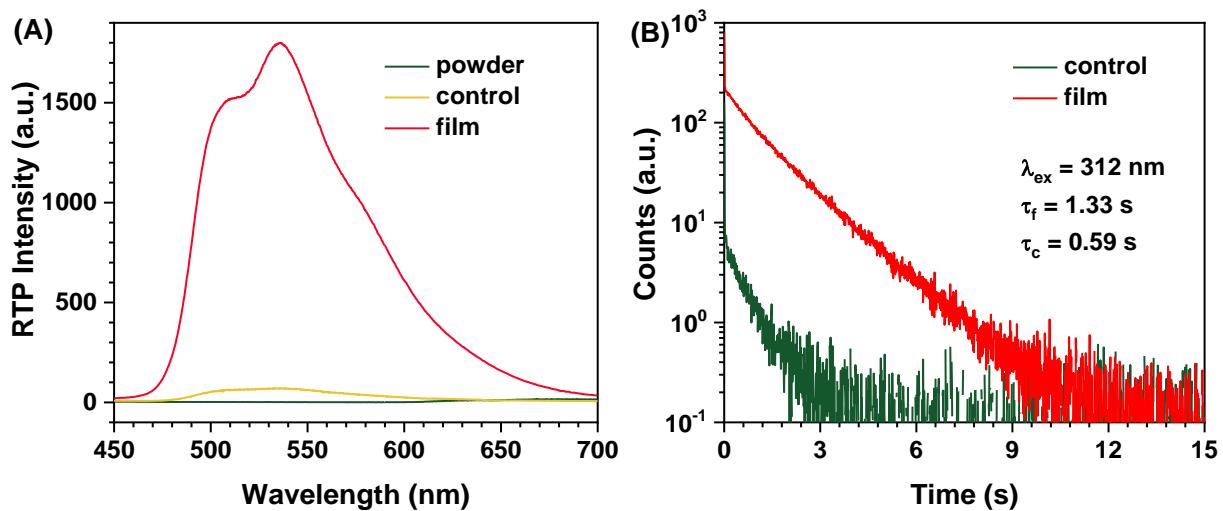


fig. S26. RTP behaviors of BNap-BOH in different states. (A) The RTP spectra and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profiles of BNap-BOH powder, BNap-BOH-PVA-C film and BNap-BOH-PVA film under ambient conditions.

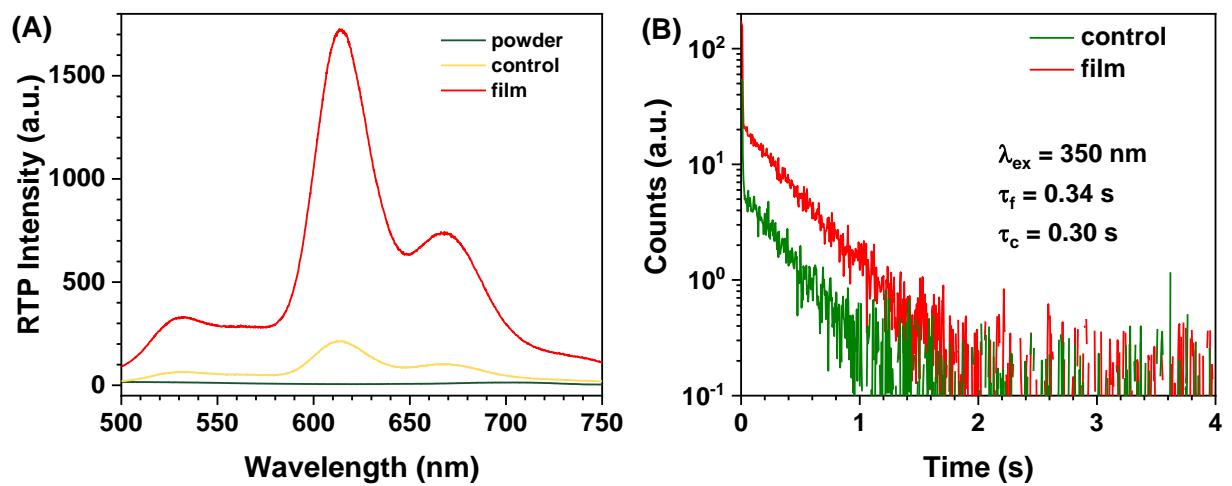


fig. S27. RTP behaviors of Py-BOH in different states. (A) The RTP spectra and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profiles of Py-BOH powder, Py-BOH-PVA-C film and Py-BOH-PVA film under ambient condition.

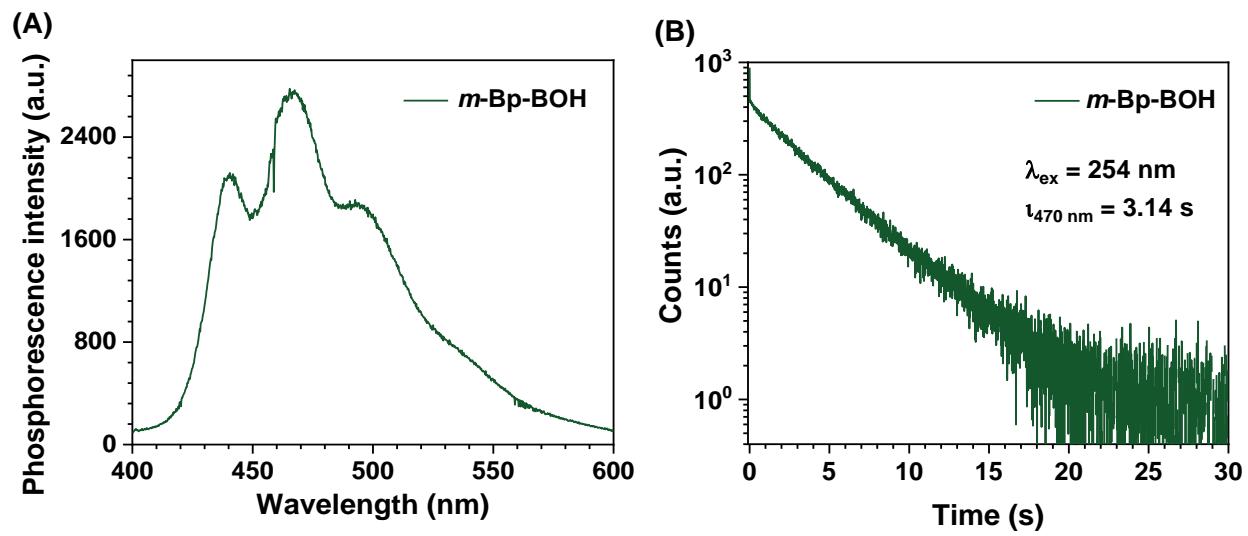


fig. S28. Low temperature phosphorescence of *m*-Bp-BOH solution. (A) Phosphorescence spectrum and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profile of *m*-Bp-BOH in tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution (10^{-5} mol/L) at 77 K.

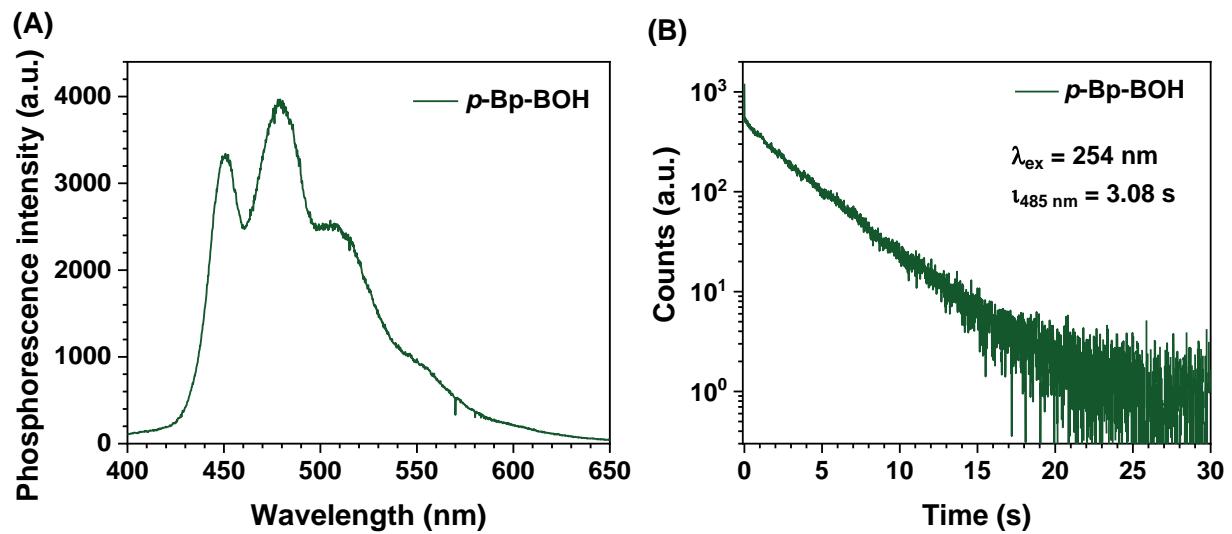


fig. S29. Low temperature phosphorescence of *p*-Bp-BOH solution. (A) Phosphorescence spectrum and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profile of *p*-Bp-BOH in tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution (10^{-5} mol/L) at 77 K.

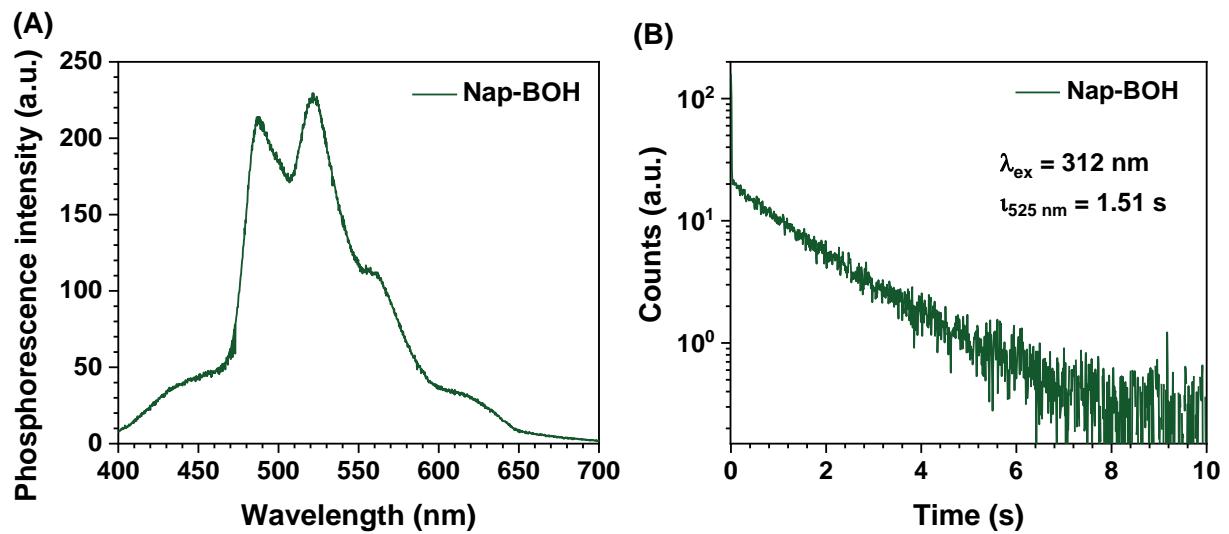


fig. S30. Low temperature phosphorescence of Nap-BOH solution. (A) Phosphorescence spectrum and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profile of Nap-BOH in tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution (10^{-5} mol/L) at 77 K.

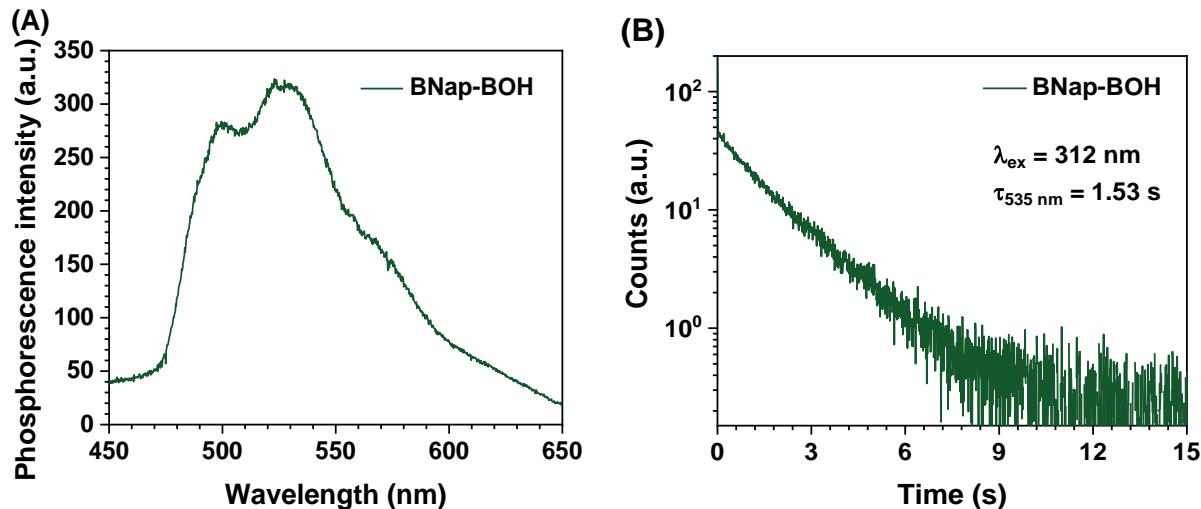


fig. S31. Low temperature phosphorescence of BNap-BOH solution. (A) Phosphorescence spectrum and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profile of BNap-BOH in tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution (10^{-5} mol/L) at 77 K.

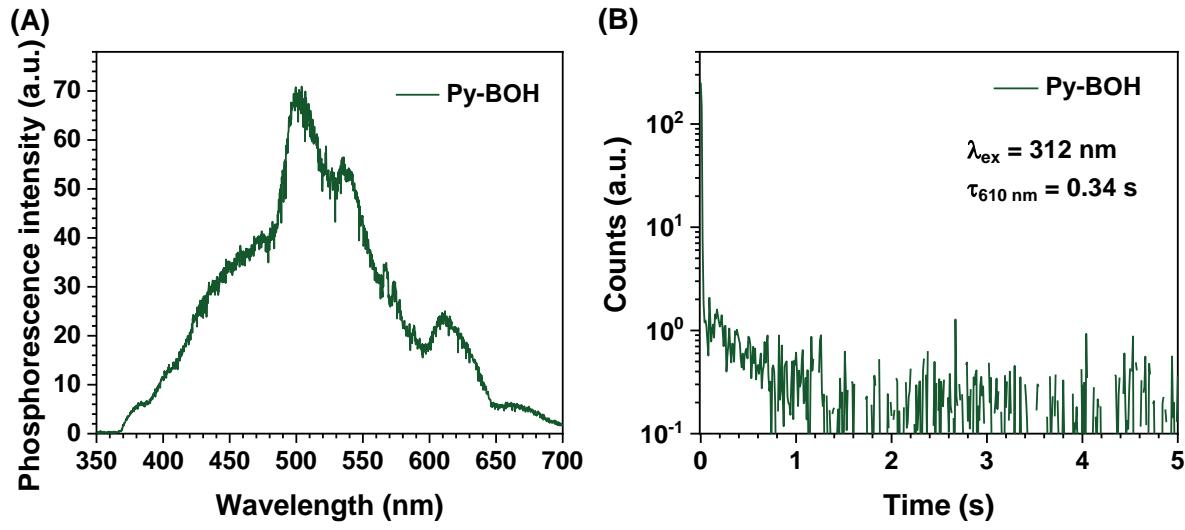


fig. S32. Low temperature phosphorescence of Py-BOH solution. (A) Phosphorescence spectrum and (B) corresponding time resolved phosphorescence-decay profile of Py-BOH in tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution (10^{-5} mol/L) at 77 K.

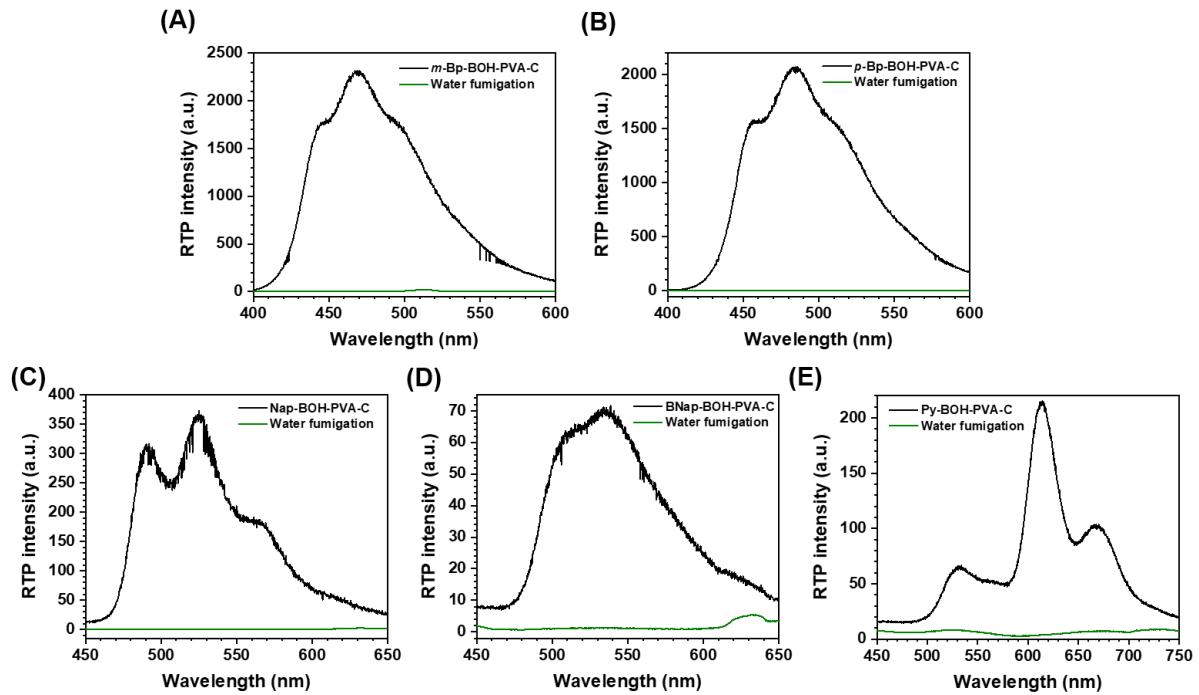


fig. S33. RTP behaviors of polymers without the addition of ammonia water. Phosphorescence spectra of (A) ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA-C**, (B) ***p*-Bp-BOH-PVA-C**, (C) **Nap-BOH-PVA-C**, (D) **BNap-BOH-PVA-C** and (E) **Py-BOH-PVA-C** before (black line) and after (green line) water fumigation.

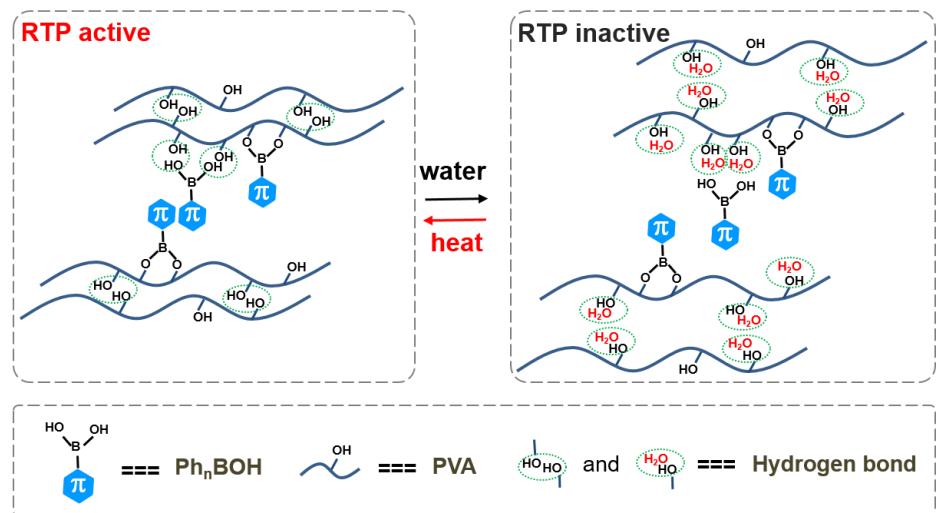


fig. S34. Stimulus-responsive RTP mechanism. The illustration about the mechanism of heating/water stimulus-responsive RTP effect.

table S2. Photophysical data of target polymers. Dynamic photophysical parameters of five polymer films.

| | τ_p/s | $\Phi_p/\%$ | $k_{p,r}/\text{s}^{-1}$ | $k_{p,nr}/\text{s}^{-1}$ |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>m</i>-Bp-BOH-PVA | 2.43 | 5.40 | 0.0222 | 0.3893 |
| <i>p</i>-Bp-BOH-PVA | 2.34 | 12.33 | 0.0527 | 0.3747 |
| Nap-BOH-PVA | 1.48 | 5.69 | 0.0384 | 0.6371 |
| BNap-BOH-PVA | 1.33 | 5.84 | 0.0439 | 0.7080 |
| Py-BOH-PVA | 0.34 | 13.10 | 0.3853 | 2.5559 |

The dynamic photophysical parameters were calculated based on the equations below:

$$\tau_p = 1/(k_{p,r} + k_{p,nr})$$

$$\Phi_p = k_{p,r}/(k_{p,r} + k_{p,nr})$$

Where, τ_p , Φ_p , $k_{p,r}$ and $k_{p,nr}$ are the phosphorescence lifetime, phosphorescence quantum yield, radiative rate constant of phosphorescence and non-radiative rate constant of phosphorescence.

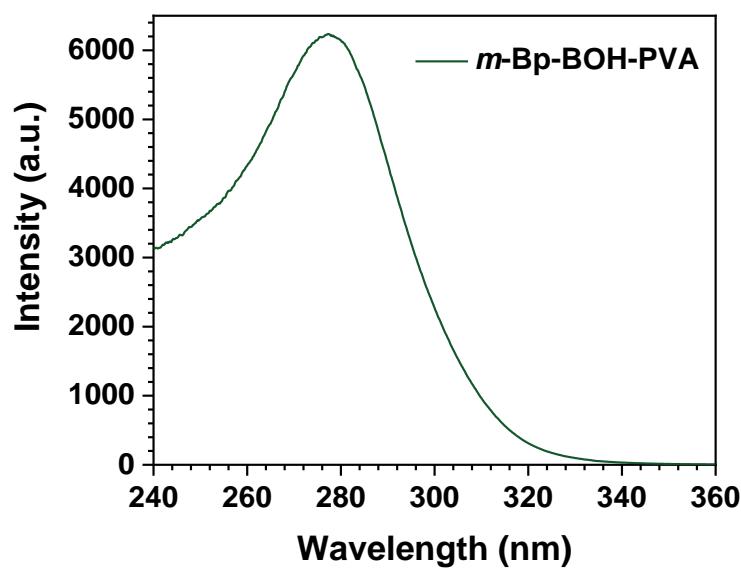


fig. S35. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of *m*-Bp-BOH-PVA film at the emission wavelength of 470 nm.

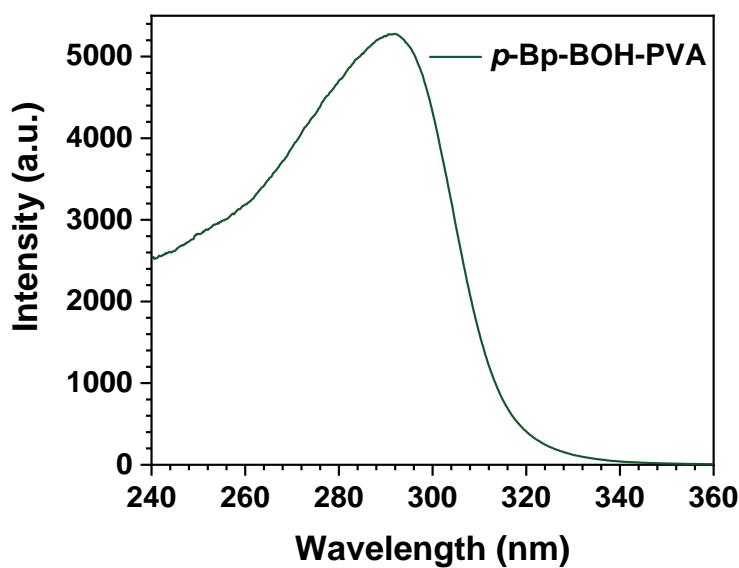


fig. S36. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of *p*-Bp-BOH-PVA film at the emission wavelength of 485 nm.

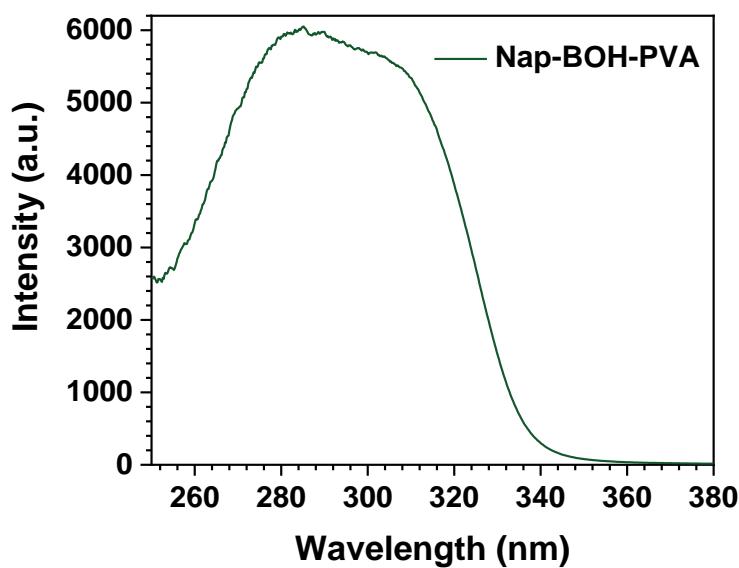


fig. S37. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of Nap-BOH-PVA. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of Nap-BOH-PVA film at the emission wavelength of 525 nm.

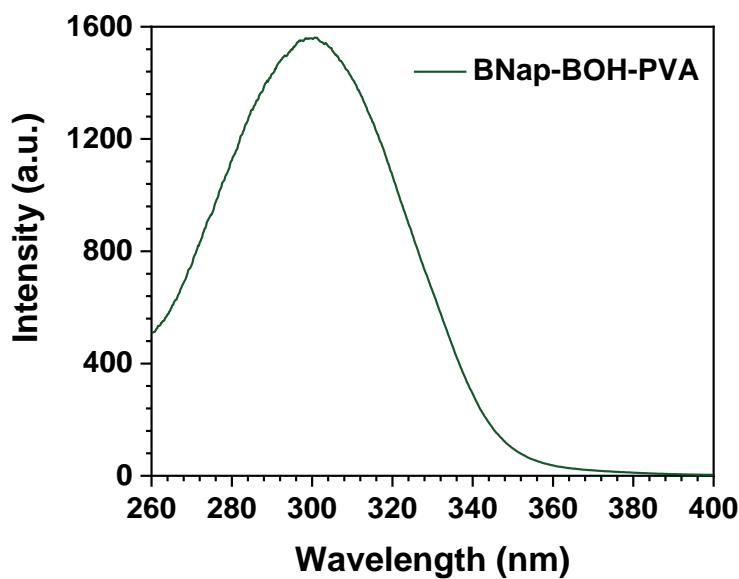


fig. S38. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of BNap-BOH-PVA. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of BNap-BOH-PVA film at the emission wavelength of 535 nm.

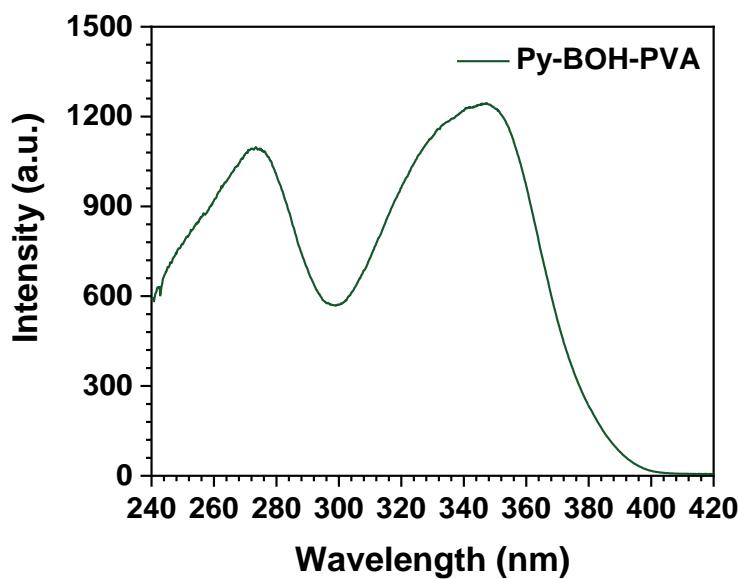


fig. S39. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of Py-BOH-PVA. Phosphorescence excitation spectrum of Py-BOH-PVA film at the emission wavelength of 610 nm.

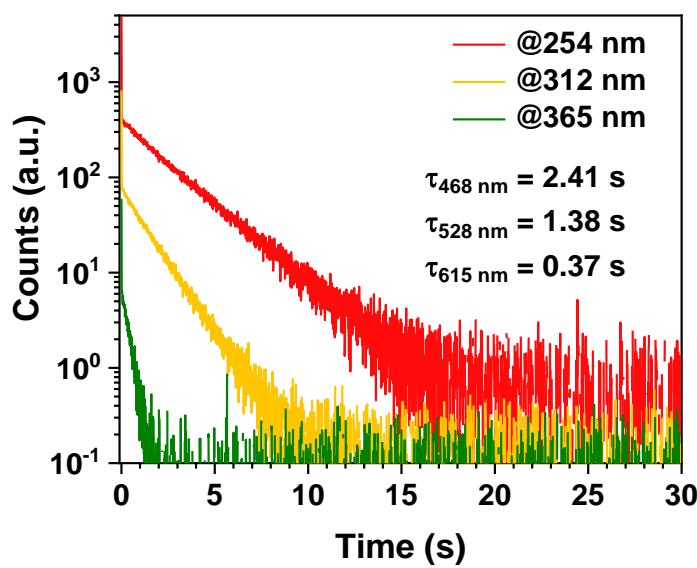


fig. S40. RTP lifetimes of BNP-BOH-PVA. Time resolved phosphorescence-decay profiles of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at different excitation wavelengths under ambient condition.

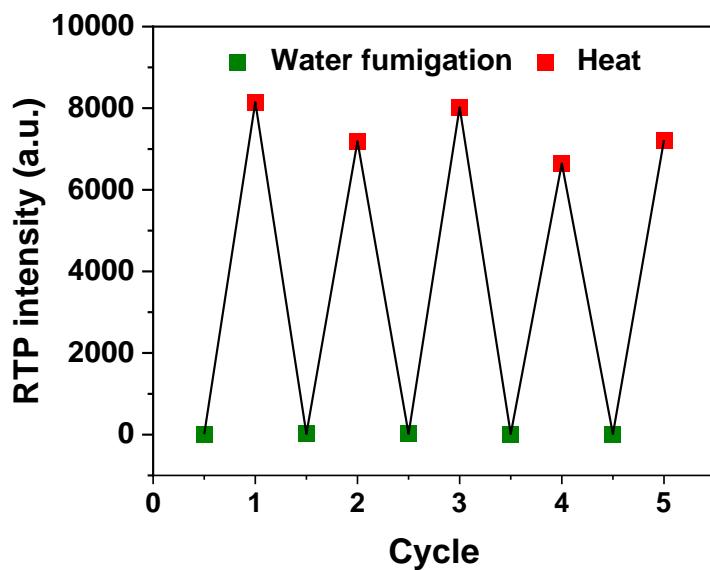


fig. S41. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect of BNP-BOH-PVA upon the excitation of 254 nm. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at the excitation wavelength of 254 nm. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 468 nm at room temperature.

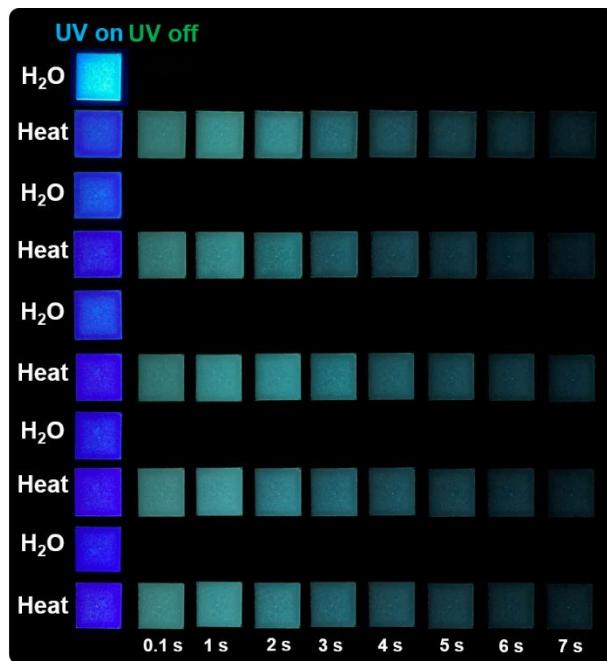


fig. S42. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect of BNP-BOH-PVA upon the excitation of 254 nm. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at the excitation wavelength of 254 nm.

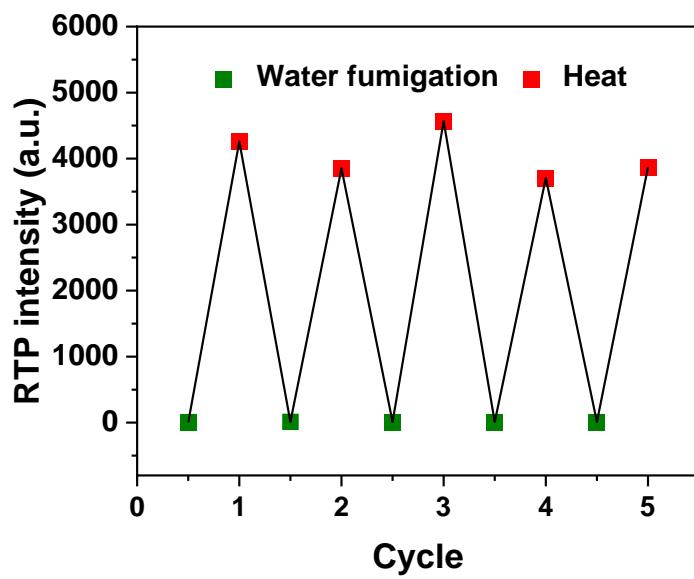


fig. S43. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect of BNP-BOH-PVA upon the excitation of 312 nm. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at the excitation wavelength of 312 nm. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 528 nm at room temperature.

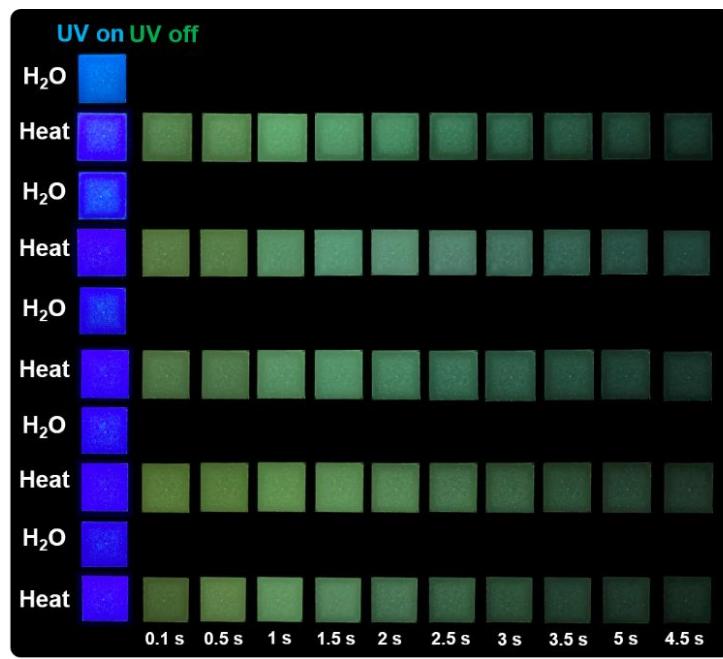


fig. S44. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect of BNP-BOH-PVA upon the excitation of 312 nm. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at the excitation wavelength of 312 nm.

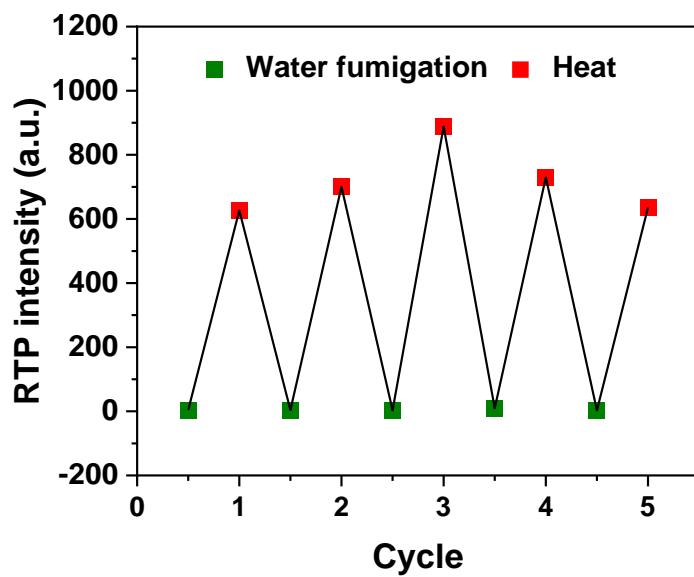


fig. S45. Cycles of stimulus-responsive RTP effect of BNP-BOH-PVA upon the excitation of 365 nm. Repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at the excitation wavelength of 365 nm. The RTP intensity represents the phosphorescence emission intensity at 615 nm at room temperature.

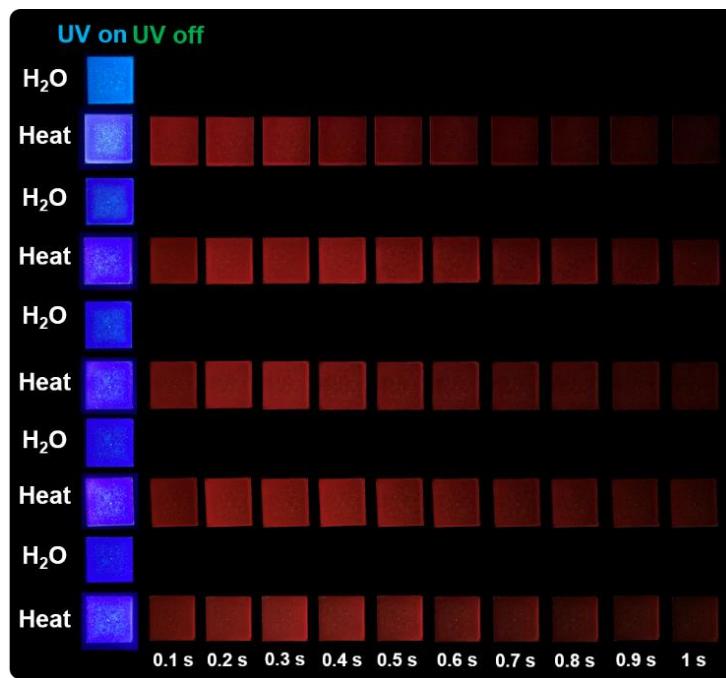


fig. S46. Photographs of repeated stimulus-responsive RTP effect of BNP-BOH-PVA upon the excitation of 365 nm. Photographs of repeated cycles of the heating/water fuming processes of **BNP-BOH-PVA** film at the excitation wavelength of 365 nm.

movie S1. The video of heated ***m*-Bp-BOH-PVA** film before and after turning off the UV lamp with the 254 nm excitation.

movie S2. The video of heated ***p*-Bp-BOH-PVA** film before and after turning off the UV lamp with the 254 nm excitation.

movie S3. The video of heated **Nap-BOH-PVA** film before and after turning off the UV lamp with the 312 nm excitation.

movie S4. The video of heated **BNap-BOH-PVA** film before and after turning off the UV lamp with the 312 nm excitation.

movie S5. The video of heated **Py-BOH-PVA** film before and after turning off the UV lamp with the 365 nm excitation.