Functionalization of honeycomb-patterned porous polymer films using a reactive vapor in breath figure method

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A new strategy is proposed to obtain pore functionalized honeycomb-patterned porous films by in situ polymerization during breath figure process. The polystyrene or hydrophobic polymers with a reactant materials such as benzoyle peroxide, SnCl$_2$ mixture in chloroform are casted under humid conditions generated by pumping air containing a reactive vapor such as aniline hydrochloride, Na$_2$S, etc., in water. The resulting films showed honeycomb-patterned porous morphology with functionalized pores. The formation of functionalized film is confirmed by color, conductivity, SEM and UV-visible studies, etc. The strategy can be extended to obtain various pore functionalized films by choosing one reactant in polymer solution and other in humid vapors with a facile method of one-step breath figure process.

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