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## A Novel Poly(Aryleneethynylene) with Tetrathiafulvalene(TTF) Side Chains: Synthesis, Self-Assembly, and Electroactive Properties

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### Measurements

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AC-300 Spectrometer. Chemical shifts,  $\delta$ , were reported in ppm relative to the internal standard TMS. Mass spectra (MS) were recorded using a Thermofinnigan LCQ Advantage mass spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed on a Thermo Electron FLASH/EA 1112 instrument. Gel permeation chromatography (GPC) analysis was conducted on a Waters 510 system using polystyrene as standard and THF as eluent. FT-IR spectra were recorded on Bruck Vector-22 spectrometer. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) measurement was performed on a TA instrument SDT-TG Q600 under an atmosphere of N<sub>2</sub> at a heat rate of 10°C/min. Differential scanning calorimetric (DSC)

measurement was recorded on a TA instrument DSC-2910, under an atmosphere of N<sub>2</sub> at a heat rate of 10 °C/min. X-ray diffraction (XRD) was performed with a Rigaku X-ray diffractometer (D/max-2500). UV-Vis spectra were recorded on a JASCO-V570 spectrometer. Cyclic voltammetry (CV) measurement was performed on a LK98B II Microcomputer-based Electrochemical Analyze at room temperature with a three-electrode cell in a solution of Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub> (0.1 M) in acetonitrile at a scanning rate of 100 mV/s. A platinum wire was used as a counter electrode, and an Ag/AgNO<sub>3</sub> electrode was used as a reference electrode. After measurement the reference electrode was calibrated with ferrocene (Fc) and the potential axis was corrected to Fc/Fc<sup>+</sup>. The conductivities of the polymer were conducted on a computer controlled Keithley 2400 Source Measure Unit.

## Synthesis

**Materials.** Unless stated otherwise, all chemicals and reagents were purchased reagent-grade and used without further purification. Air and/or water-sensitive reactions were conducted under nitrogen using dry, freshly distilled solvents. 1,2-Diamino-benzene-4,5-bis(thiocyanate) (**1**),<sup>1</sup> 4,5-bis(butylthio)-1,3-dithiole-2-one (**3**),<sup>2</sup> 2,7-diiodophenanthrene-9,10-dione (**5**)<sup>3</sup> and 1,4-bis(dodecyloxy)-2,5-diethynylbenzene (**7**)<sup>4</sup> were prepared according to the literature procedures.

**5,6-Diaminobenzene-1,3-dithiole-2-thione (2).** The reported procedure<sup>2</sup> was modified as follows: 1,2-diamino-benzene-4,5-bis(thiocyanate) (2.44 g, 11 mmol) was added to a solution of Na<sub>2</sub>S·9H<sub>2</sub>O (8.71 g, 36 mmol) in water (135 ml), and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at 70 °C. After cooling to room temperature, CS<sub>2</sub> (1.2 ml, 20 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at 45 °C. The precipitate was isolated by filtration, washed with water, and

dried under vacuum to give **2** as an orange solid (1.1 g, 48%), which is pure enough for the following synthesis and analysis.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 M,  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ ):  $\delta = 6.81$  (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 4H).

ESI-MS (m/z), 215.3 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ ).

Elemental analysis calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_6\text{N}_2\text{S}_3$ : C, 39.23; H, 2.82; N, 13.07; S, 44.88%. Found: C, 39.16; H, 2.78; N, 12.99; S, 45.07%.

**5,6-Diamino-2-(4,5-bis(butylthio)-1,3-dithiole-2-ylidene)benzo[d]-1,3-dithiole (4).** The reported procedure<sup>5</sup> was modified as follows: triethylphosphite (30 mL) was added slowly to a solution of compound 4,5-bis(butylthio)-1,3-dithiole-2-one (1.176 g, 4 mmol) and **2** (0.428 g, 2 mmol) in toluene (20 mL) under Ar. The mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 3 h. After the reaction, the excess solvent was removed under vacuum. The red residue was subjected to short basic  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  column chromatography with 1:1 mixture of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and EtOAc as eluent, to give **4** as a yellow solid (0.322 g, 35%).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300M,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 6.55$ (s, 2H), 4.71(s, 4H), 2.82(t,  $J= 7.1\text{Hz}$ , 4H), 1.51(m, 4H), 1.35(m, 4H), 0.84(t,  $J= 7.3\text{Hz}$ , 6H).

ESI-MS (m/z), 461.6 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ ).

Elemental analysis calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{S}_6$ : C, 46.92; H, 5.25; N, 6.08; S, 41.75%. Found: C, 46.87; H, 5.19; N, 6.13; S, 41.81%.

**4',5'-Bis(butylthio)tetrathiafulvenyl-2,7-diione-dibenzo[a,c]phenazine (6).** The mixture of compound **4** (0.23 g, 0.5 mmol) and **5** (0.23 g, 0.5 mmol) in 60 mL ethanol was reflux for 3 h under  $\text{N}_2$  and protected from light. After filtration, the precipitate was collected and purified by chromatography (basic  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) to give **6** as a deep blue solid (0.31g, 70%).

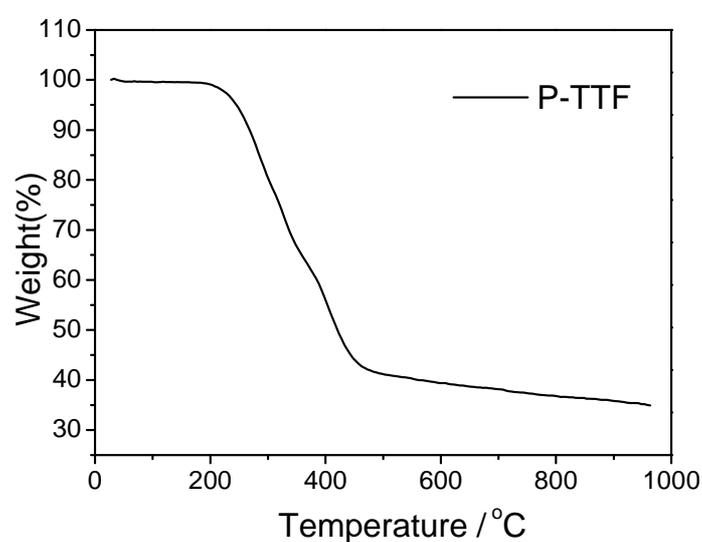
FT-IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2922, 2851, 1587, 1431, 1346, 1204, 1091, 772.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 M,  $o\text{-C}_6\text{D}_4\text{Cl}_2$ ):  $\delta = 9.30$  (s, 2H), 9.05 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 8.29 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 8.06 (s, 2H), 2.81(t,  $J = 7.1$ Hz, 4H), 1.52(m, 4H), 1.35(m, 4H), 0.84(t,  $J = 7.3$ Hz, 6H).

APCI-MS (m/z), 885.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ ).

Elemental analysis calcd for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{26}\text{I}_2\text{N}_2\text{S}_6$ : C, 43.44; H, 2.96; N, 3.17; S, 21.74%. Found: C, 43.38; H, 3.01; N, 3.11; S, 21.82%.

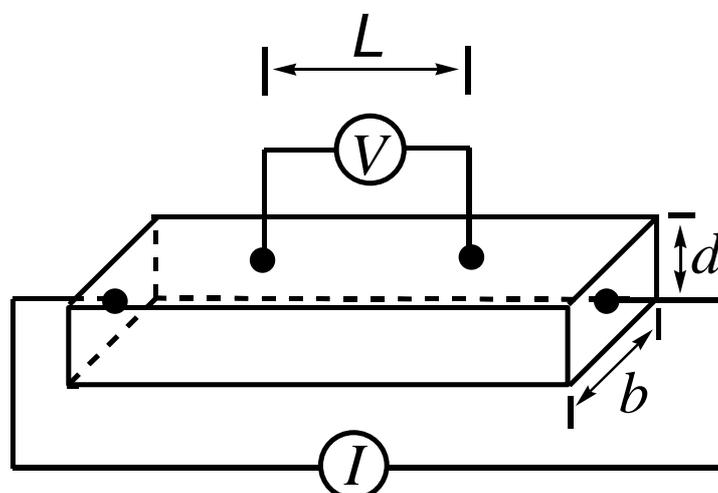
### Thermal characterization



**Figure S1.** TGA plot of **P-TTF** with heating rate of 10 °C/min under a nitrogen atmosphere.

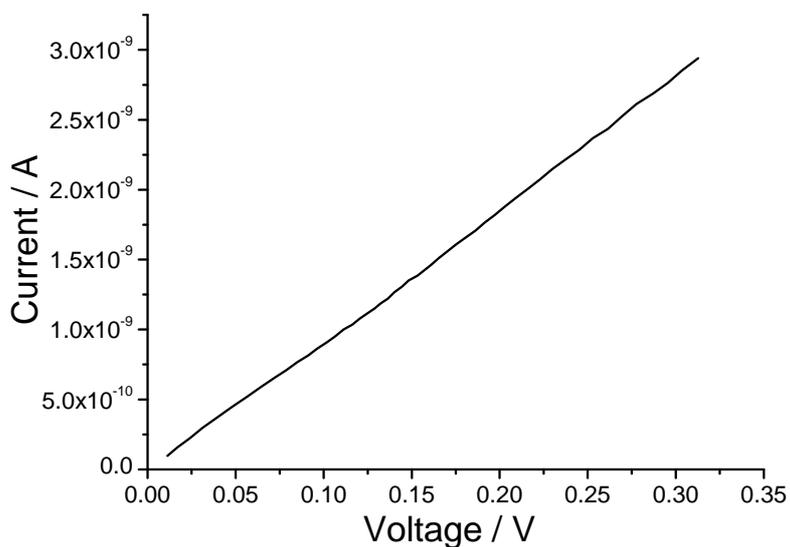
The onset temperature of weight loss of **P-TTF** is about 230 °C.

### Conductivity measurements



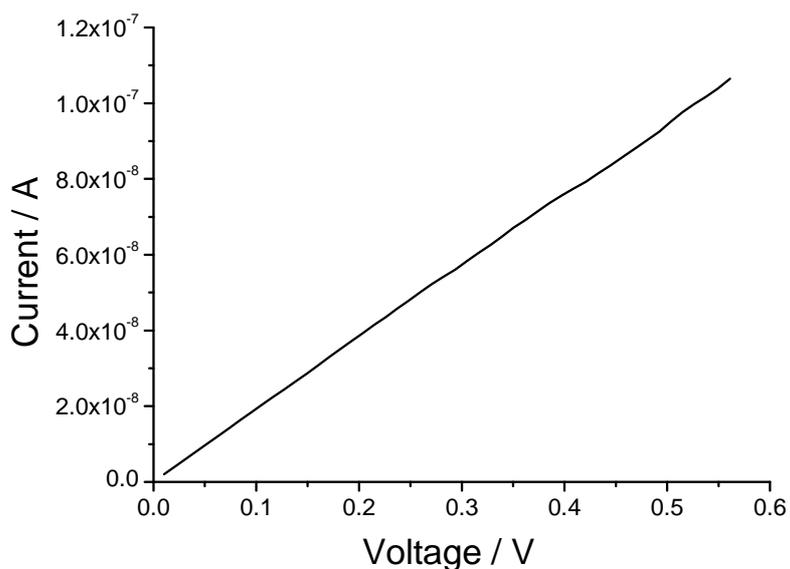
**Figure S2.** Schematic representation of conductivity measurements by four-probe methods on compress pellets of the powder and the realigning solid of **P-TTF**.

$$\text{Conductivity: } \sigma = \frac{I \cdot L}{V \cdot b \cdot d}$$



**Figure S3.** Current-voltage characteristics of compress pellet of the **P-TTF** powder.  $I/V =$

$$7.87 \times 10^{-9} \text{ A/V, } L = 0.5 \text{ cm, } b = 0.5 \text{ cm, } d = 0.11 \text{ cm, } \sigma \approx 6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ S cm}^{-1}.$$



**Figure S4.** Current-voltage characteristics of compress pellet of the **P-TTF** realigning solid.  $I/V =$

$$1.88 \times 10^{-7} \text{ A/V, } L = 0.5 \text{ cm, } b = 0.5 \text{ cm, } d = 0.049 \text{ cm, } \sigma \approx 4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ S cm}^{-1}.$$

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