

New Materials for Printed Opto-Electronic Devices: Synthesis, Charge Transport, and Process Engineering

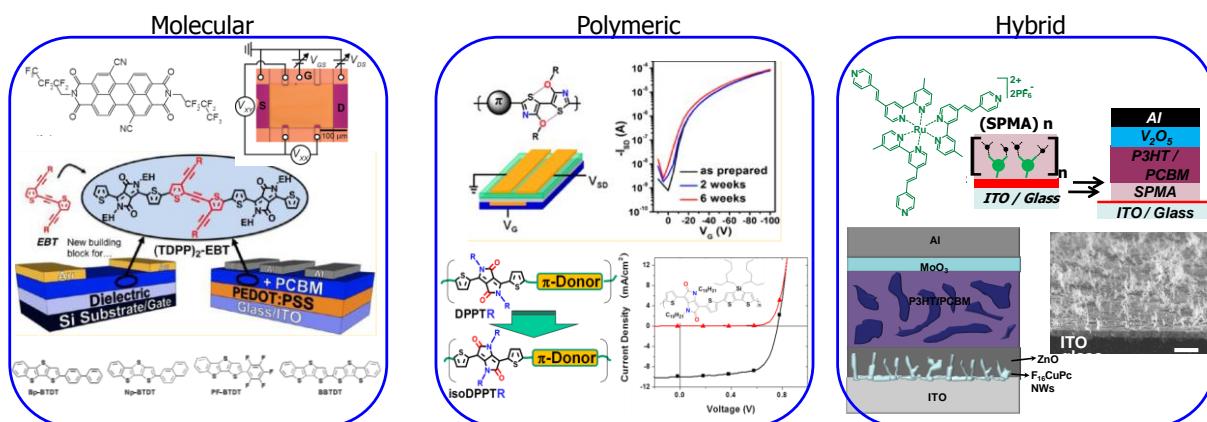
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Printed opto-electronics is a new technology envisioning the fabrication of opto-electronic devices using printing methodologies. In this presentation I will describe the materials development and process engineering enabling the fabrication of unconventional opto-electronic devices, such as displays, circuits, and solar modules, all on flexible foils using several new materials.¹⁻³ Examples of unconventional electronic materials include organic small molecular and polymeric semiconductors, metal chelates and complexes, and hybrid organic-inorganic metal oxides. Among the process development, I will discuss spin- and slot-dye coating, inkjet printing, and gravure printing. Finally, we report on charge transport characteristics of polymeric blends in various device architectures.



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