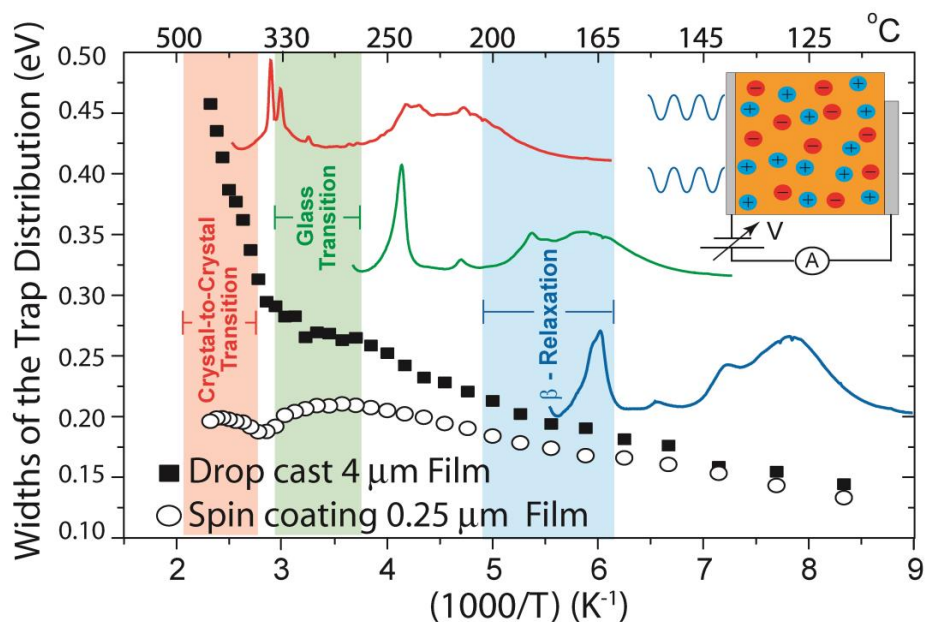
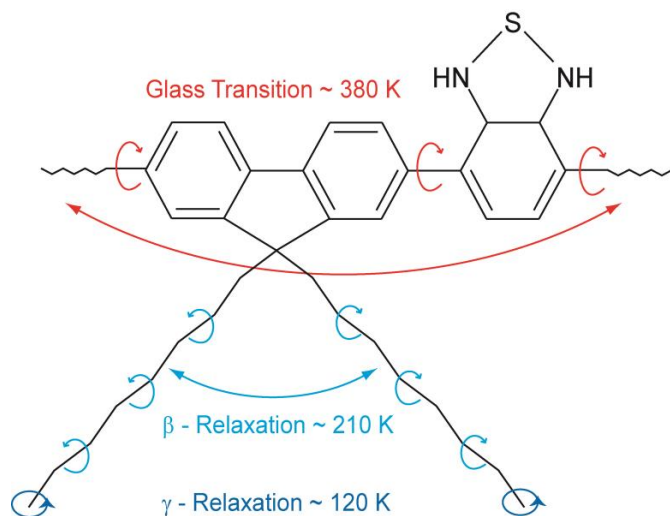


# Importance of Structural Modification and Molecular Dynamics on the Electrical Properties of Organic Electronic Devices



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Synthesis and optical properties of a novel polyfluorene derivative

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Semiconducting polyfluorenes as materials for solid-state  
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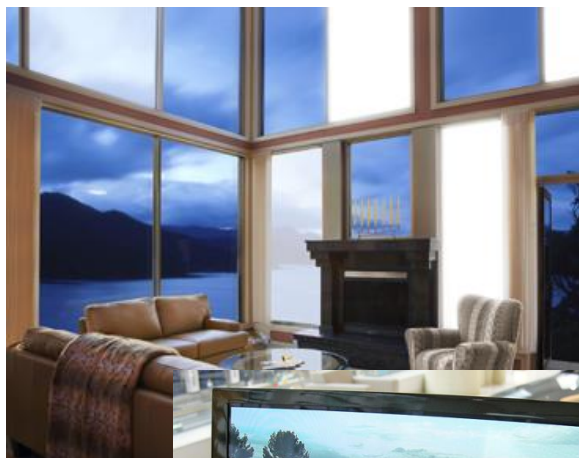
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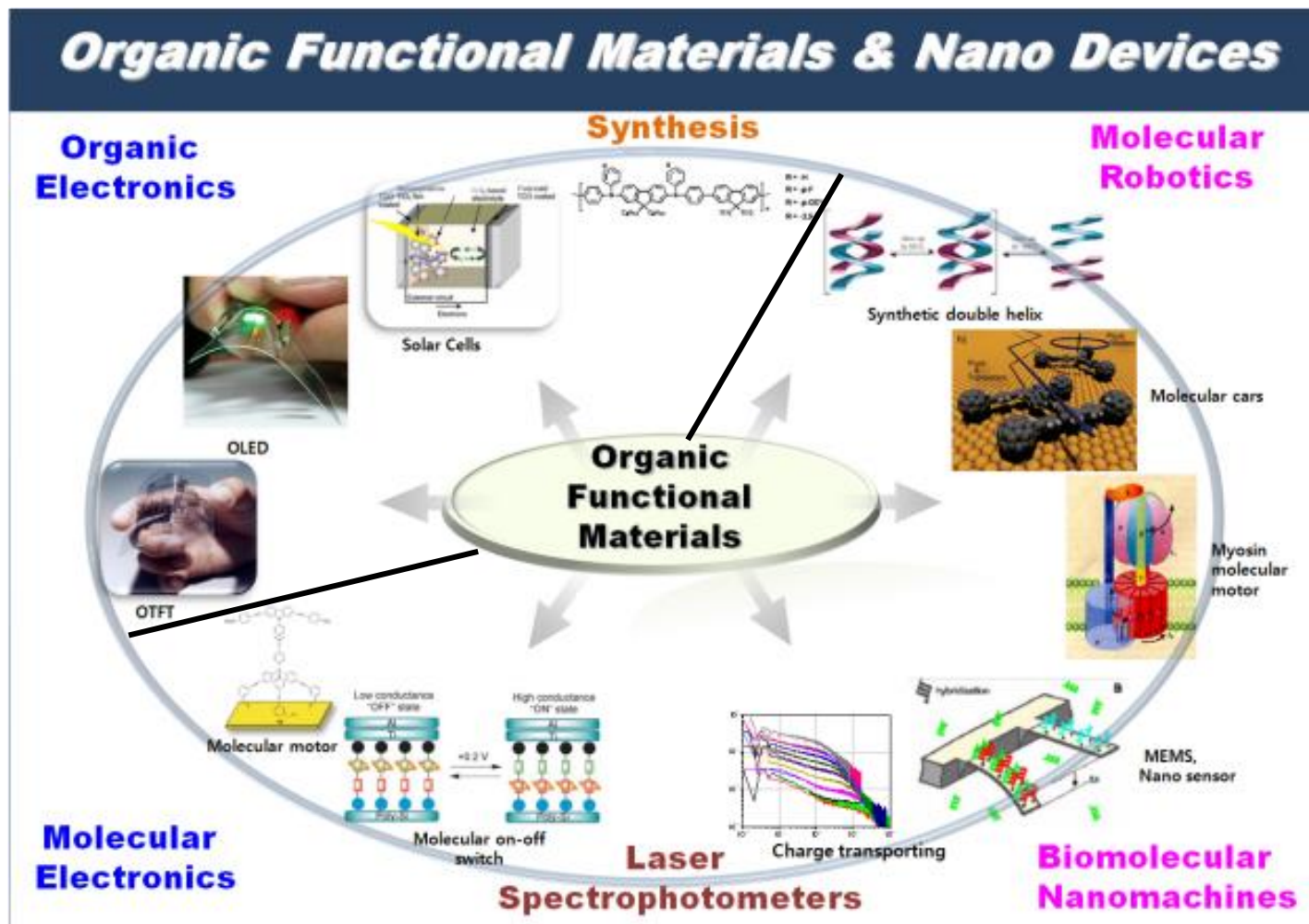


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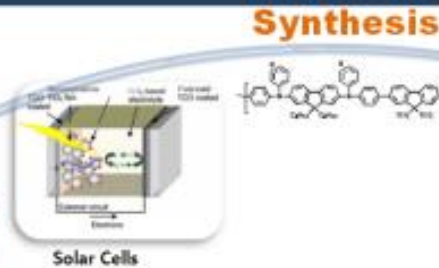
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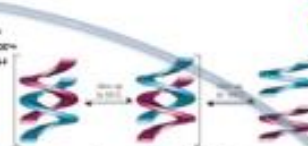
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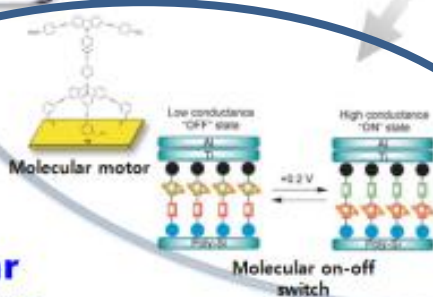


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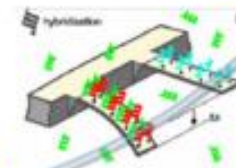
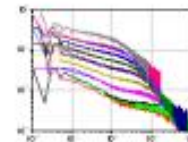
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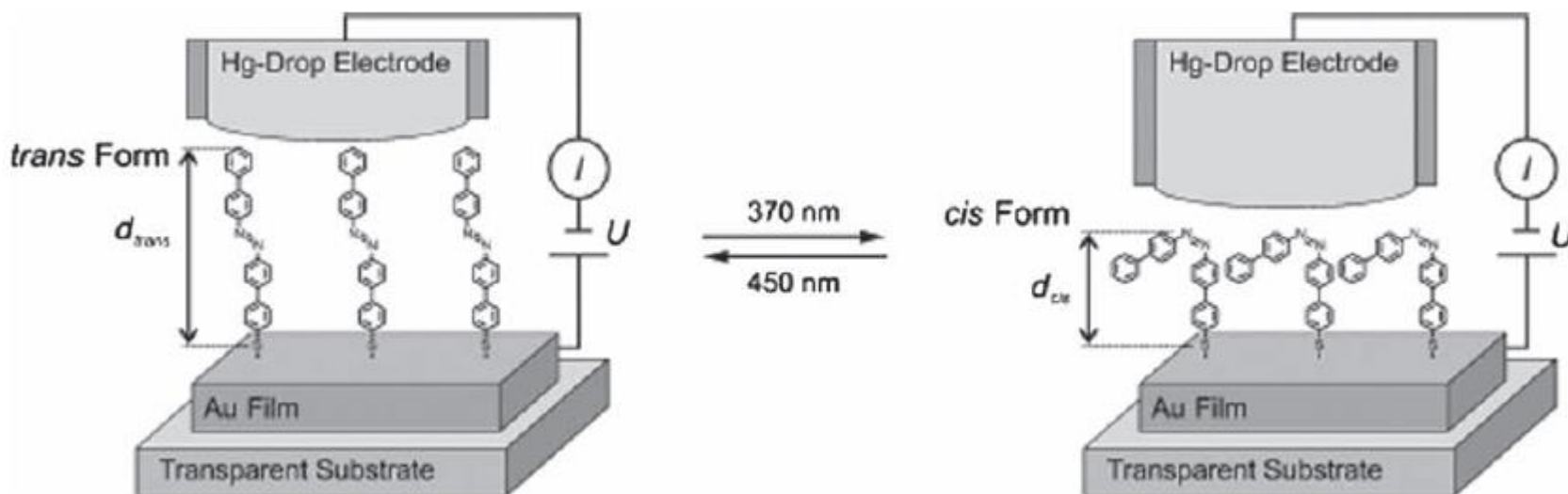
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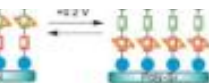
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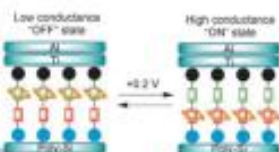
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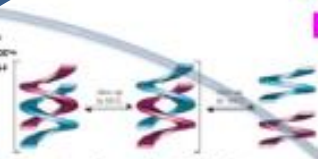


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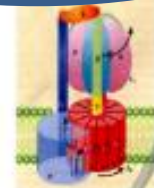
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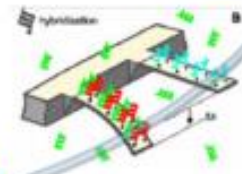
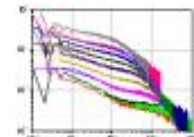
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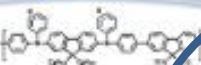
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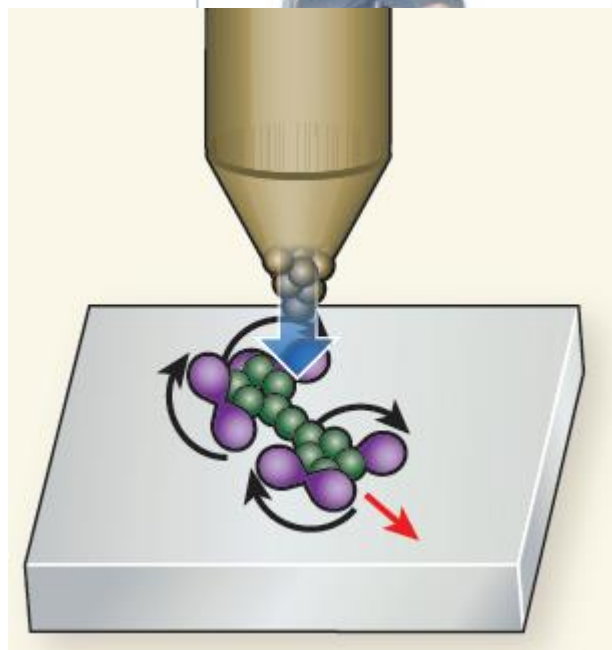
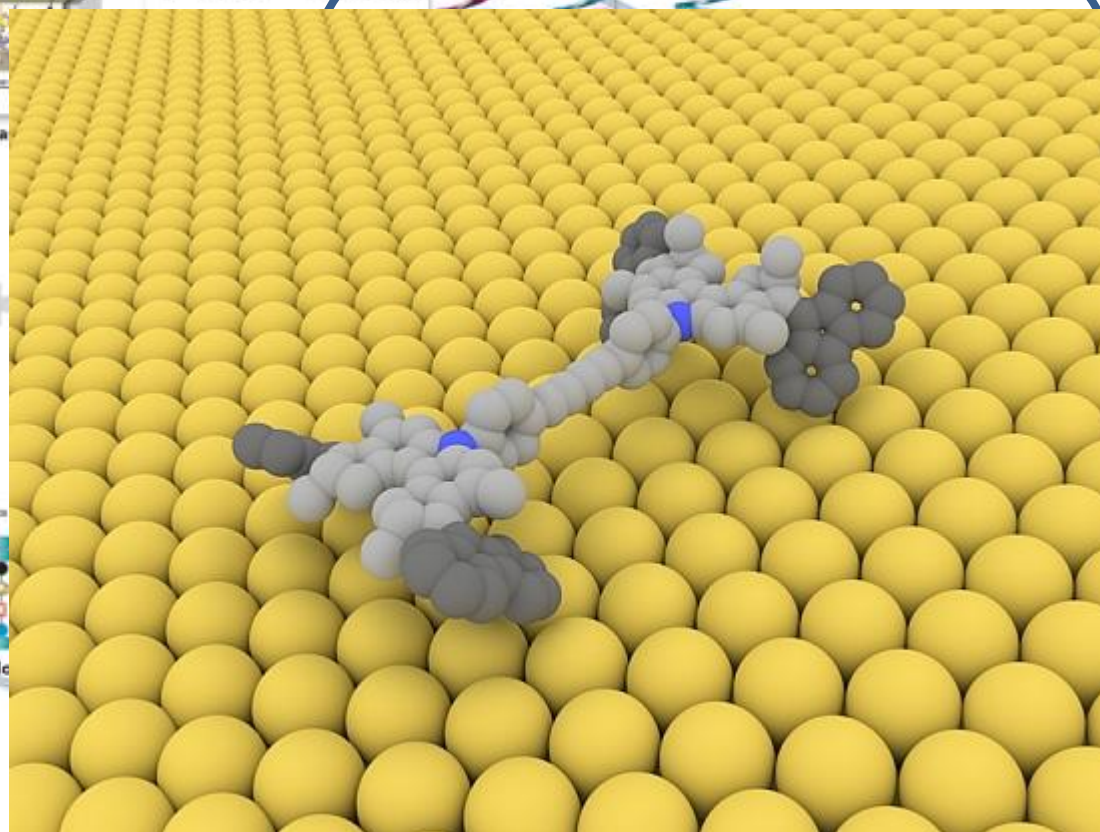


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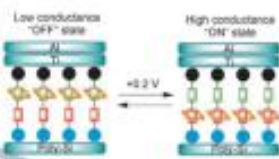
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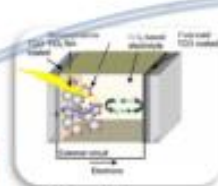


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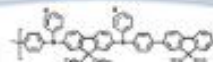


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Solar Cells



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Synthetic double helix



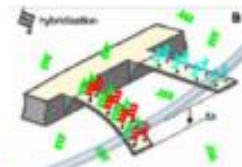
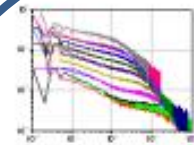
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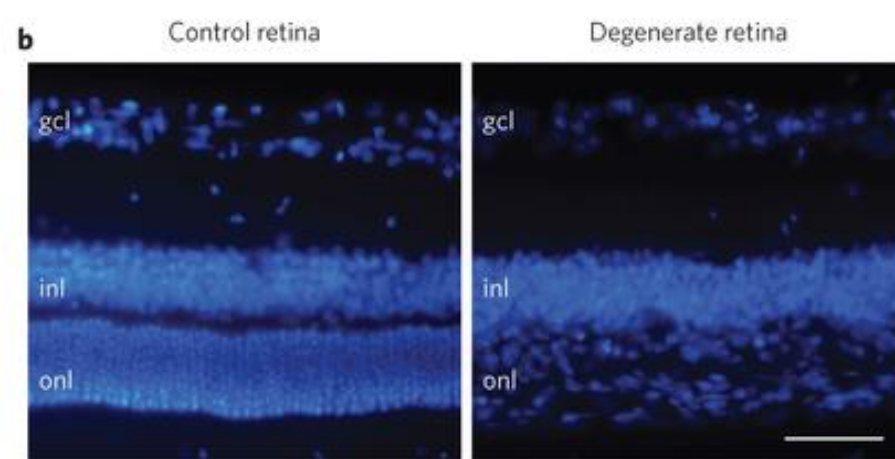
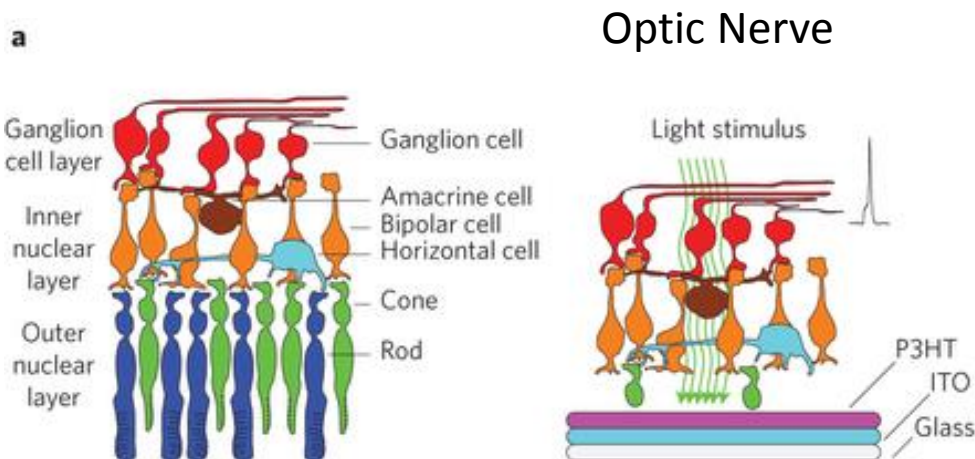
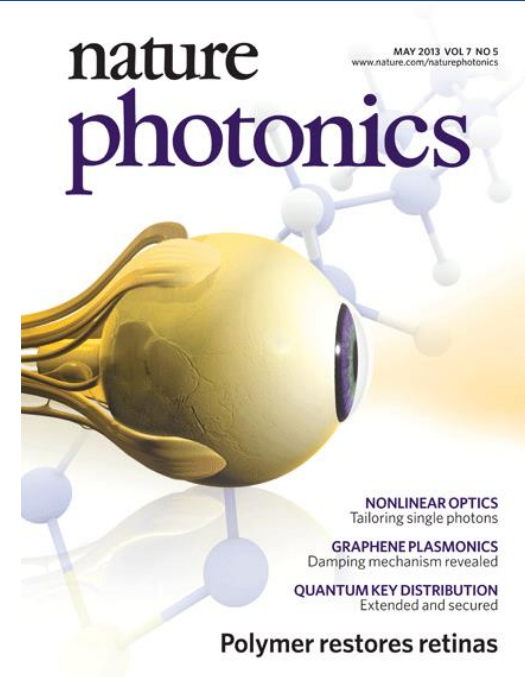
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*Nature Photonics* 7, 400–406 (2013) | doi:10.1038/nphoton.2013.34

**Diego Ghezzi, Maria Rosa Antognazza, Rita Maccarone, Sebastiano Bellani, Erica Lanzarini, Nicola Martino, Maurizio Mete, Grazia Pertile, Silvia Bisti, Guglielmo Lanzani & Fabio Benfenati**



Replace Retina by P3HT/PCBM:

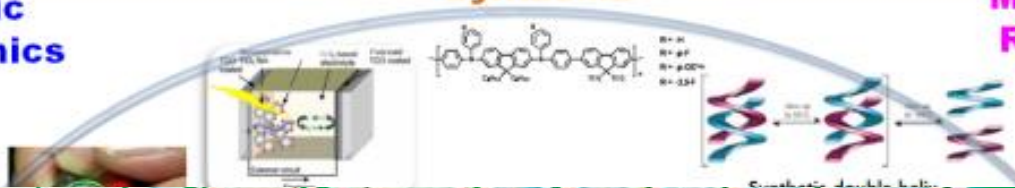
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# Electronics

## Substitute for Silicon

plastic substrates, which means you can use a very low-cost . . . substrate," he says. "Additionally, organics are good for large-area needs. For example, if you need a piece of silicon for a fingerprint recogni-

### Plastic Energy

Picture a system that automatically tracks and records each item selected as a shopper moves through a market, beaming that information to a checkout stand terminal so

throw it onward. The molecule in the polymer goes through the same sort of deformation when a charge hits it. The goal is to minimize what's called 'trapping time,' like having the ball just bounce from

# Motivation: Organic versus Inorganic?



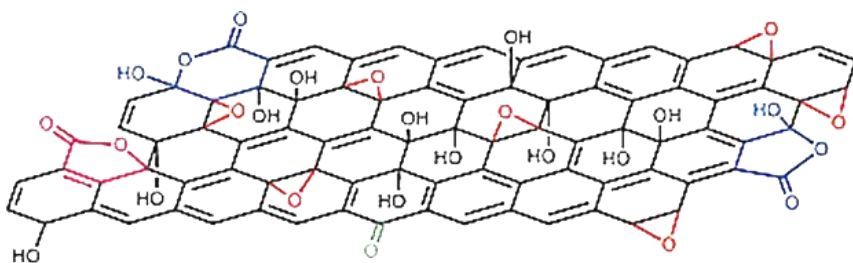
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## Safer, Cheaper, Lighter

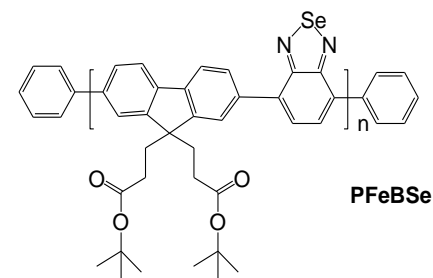
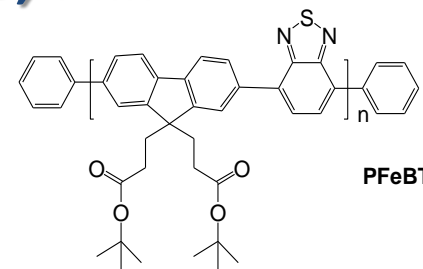
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**Safer: Highly toxic organic solvents for solution and synthesis ;**  
**Possibility of usage of heteroatom: Se, S, P....**  
**Acids are used during synthesis...**



Oxygenated functional groups in Graphene:  
Usage of  $\text{KMnO}_4/\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



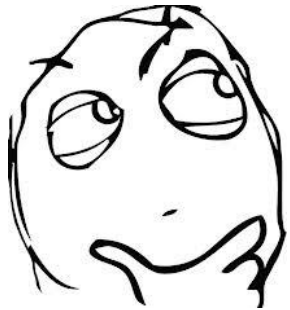
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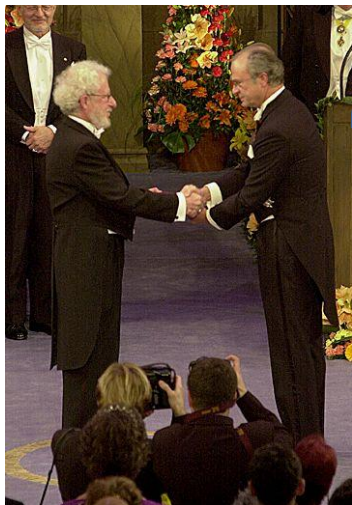
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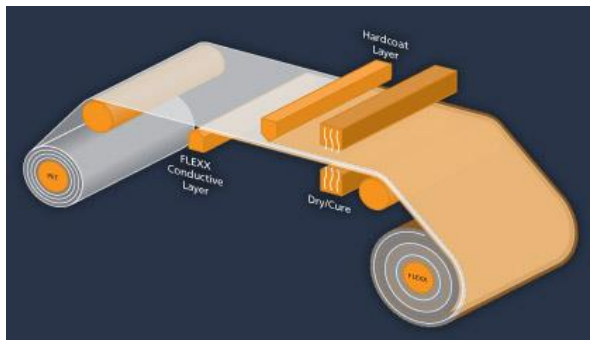
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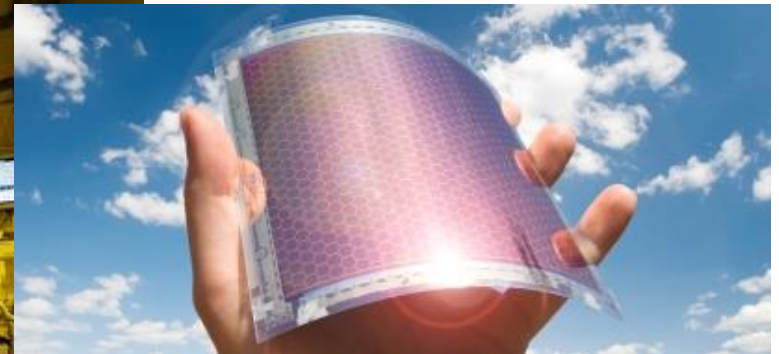
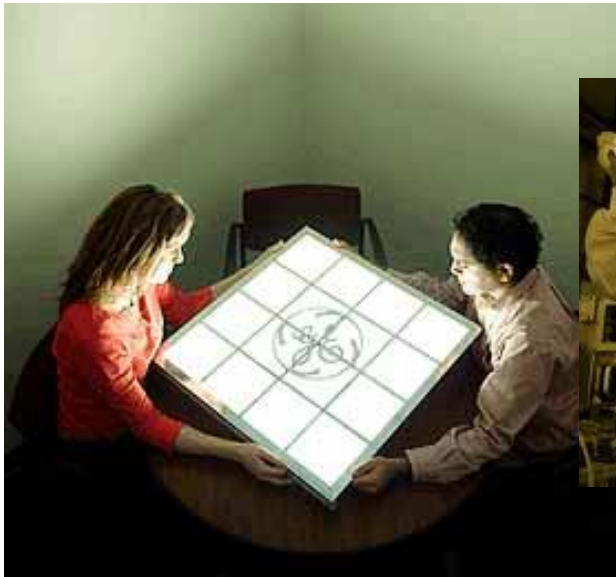
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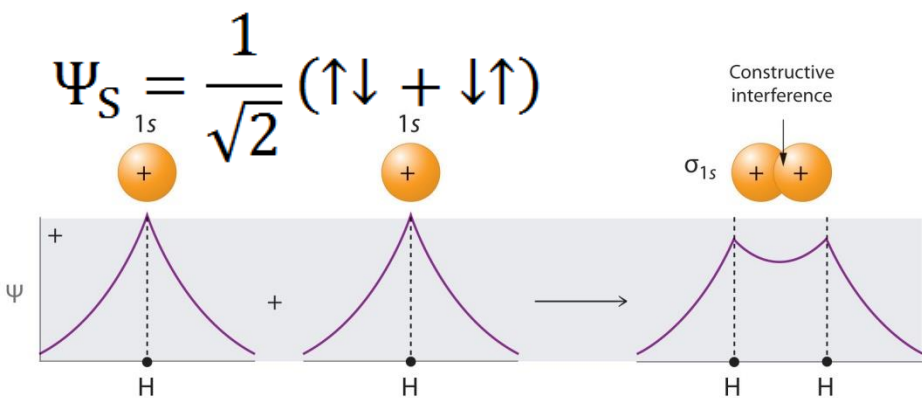


**Yes, OE deserves attention!**

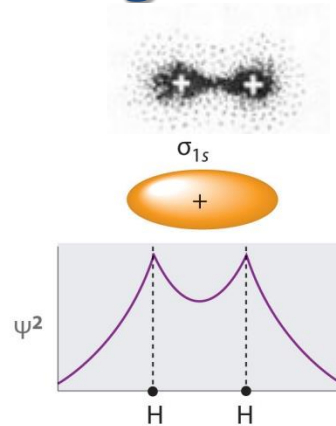
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## Origin of bonding and anti-bonding orbital:

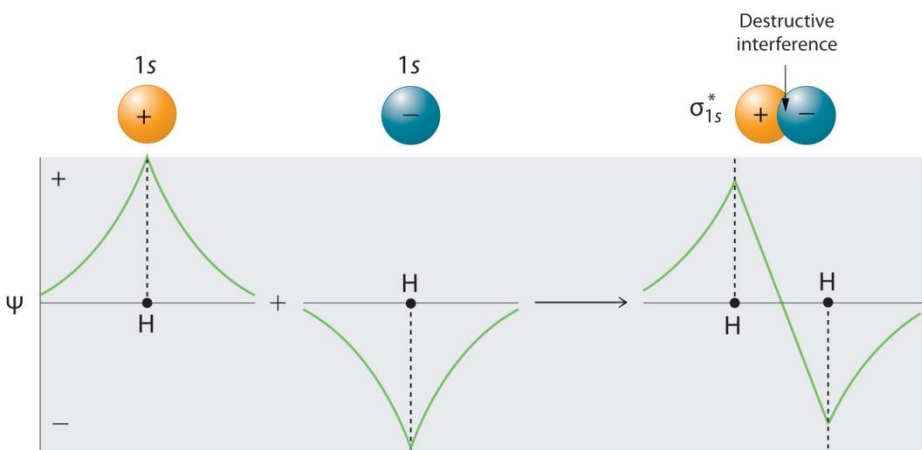
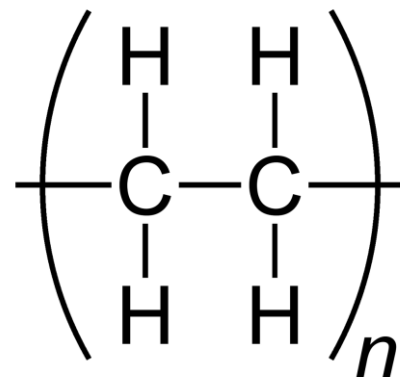
$$\Psi_S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\uparrow\downarrow + \downarrow\uparrow)$$



(a) Wave functions combined for  $\sigma_{1s}$

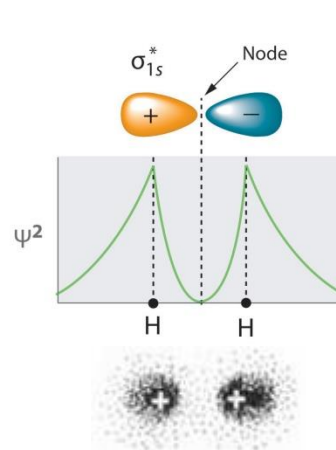


(b) Bonding probability density

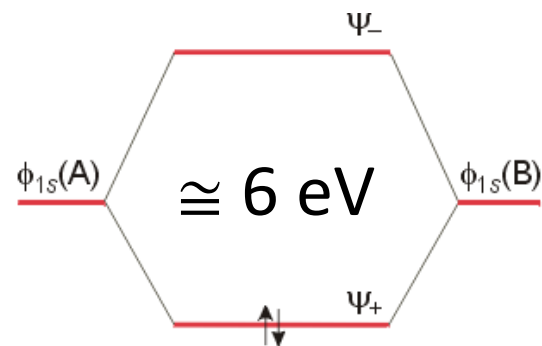


(c) Wave functions combined for  $\sigma_{1s}^*$

$$\Psi_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow)$$



(d) Antibonding probability density



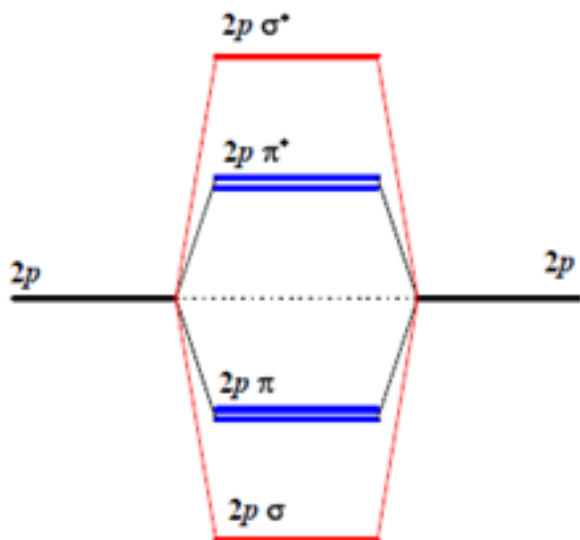
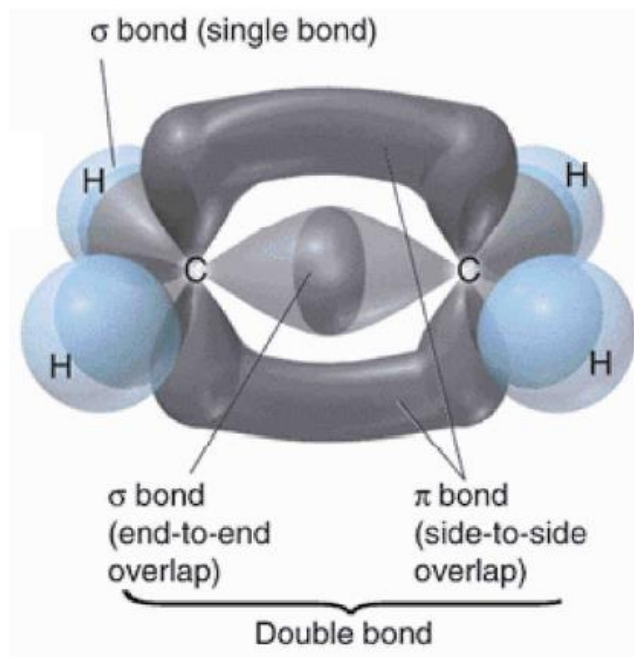
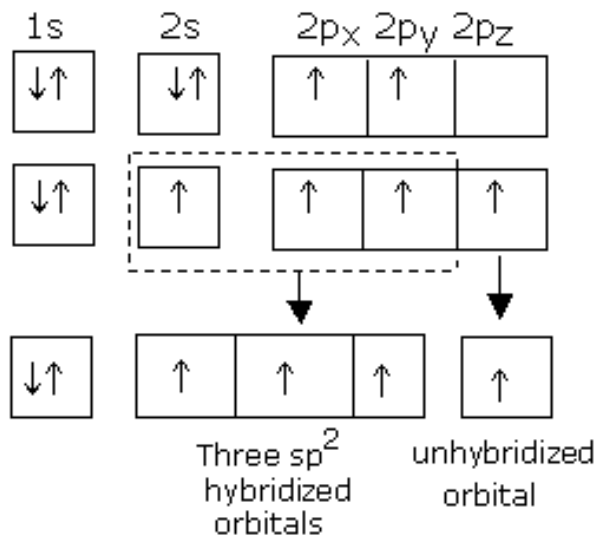
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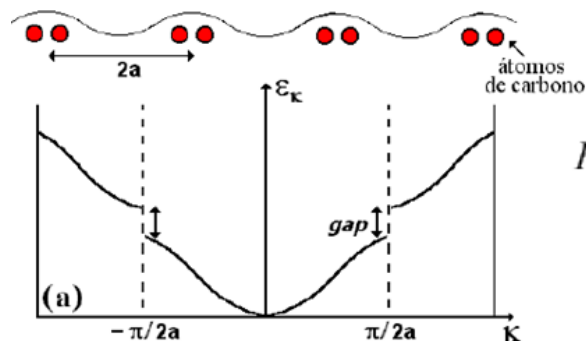
Electronic configuration of C in ground state

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$sp^2$  hybridization in C

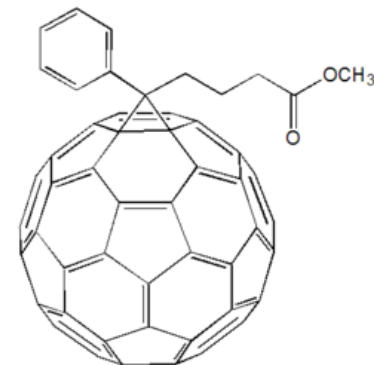
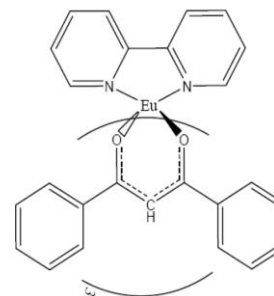
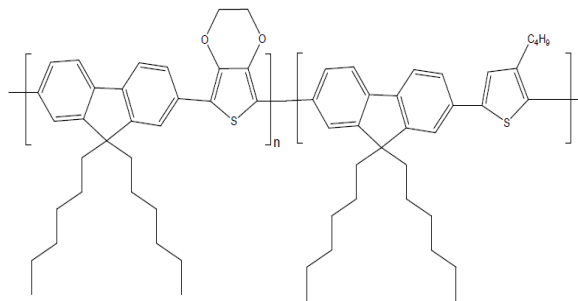
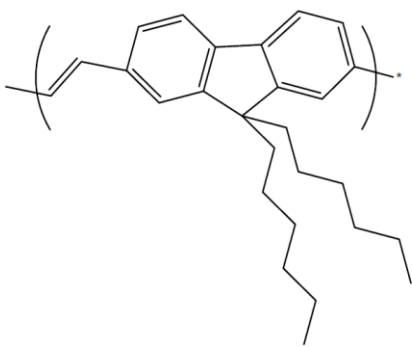
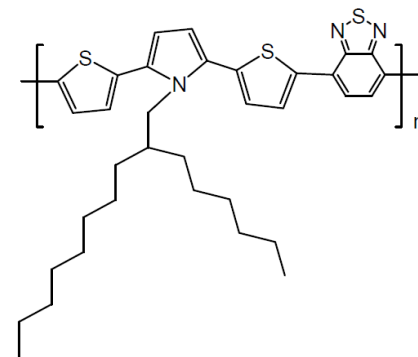
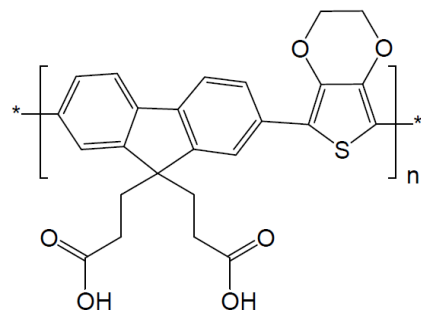
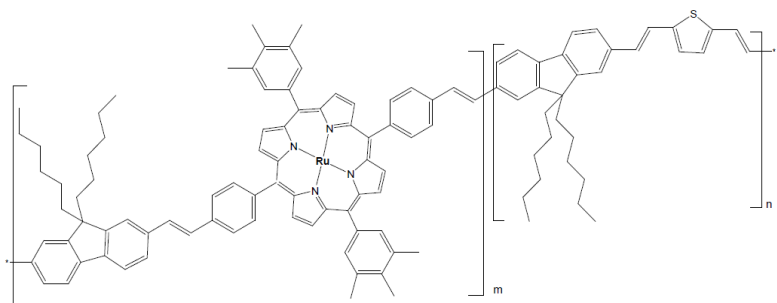
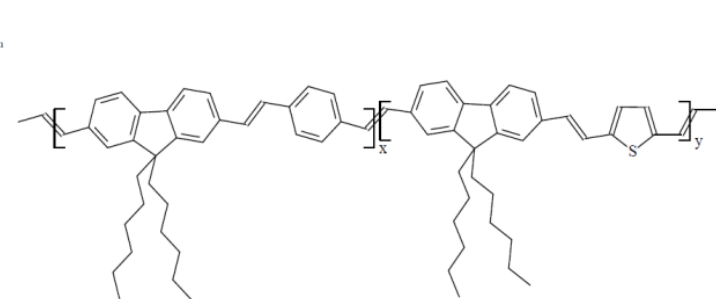
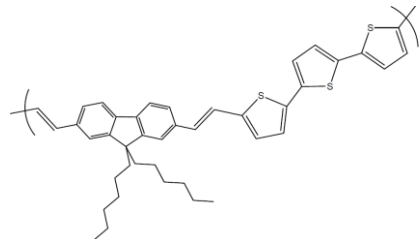
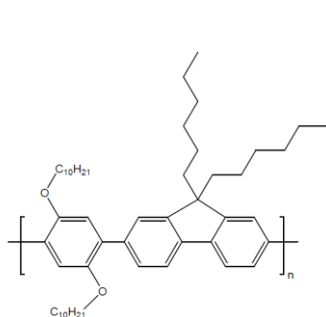
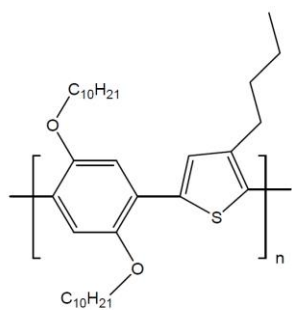


### Dimerization (HOMO and LUMO)



$$H_{SSH} = - \sum_{i,s} t_{i,i+1} \left( c_{i,s}^\dagger c_{i+1,s} + c_{i+1,s}^\dagger c_{i,s} \right) + \frac{1}{2} K \sum_i (u_{i+1} - u_i)^2 + \frac{1}{2} M \sum_i \dot{u}_i^2$$

# Examples of Conjugated Polymers

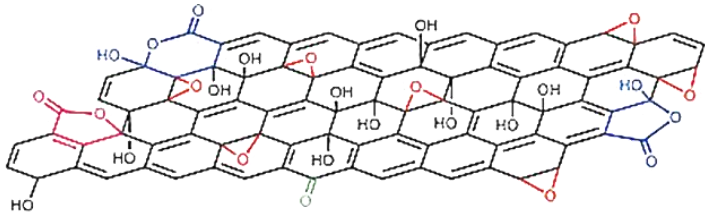


**What can be done with those molecules?**

# **Overview of recent results obtained at Bernhard Gross Polymer Group**

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# Memory with Graphene Oxide (GO)



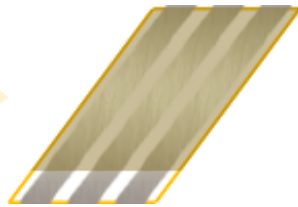
Exfoliation by modified Hummer's method:  
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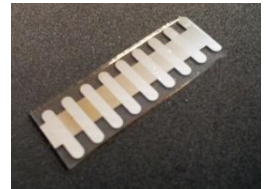
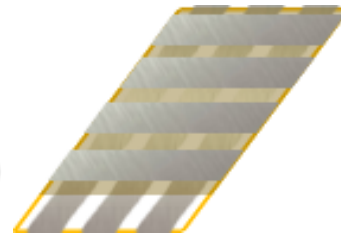
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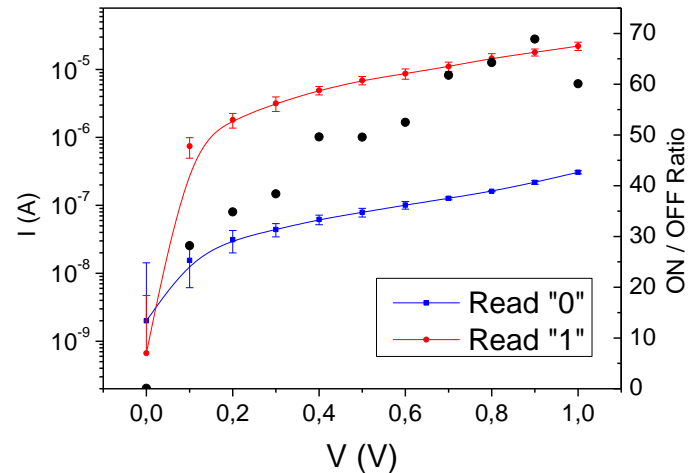
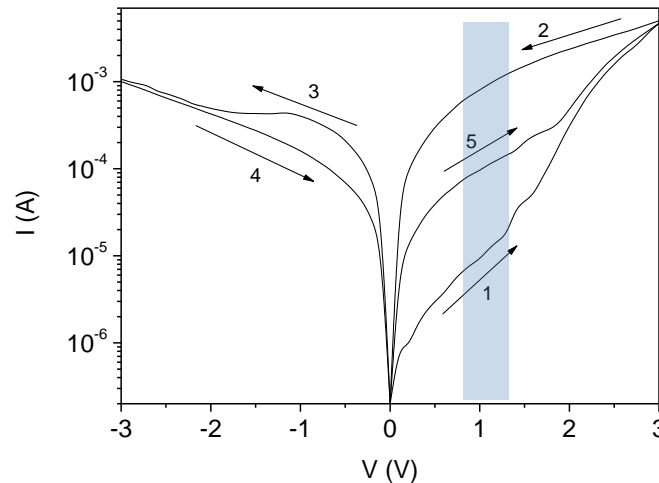


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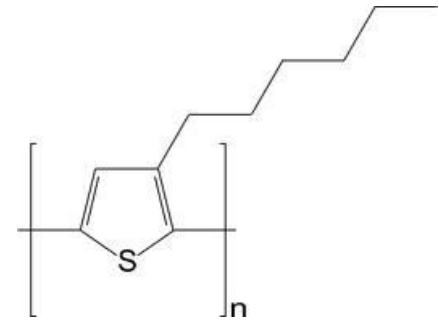
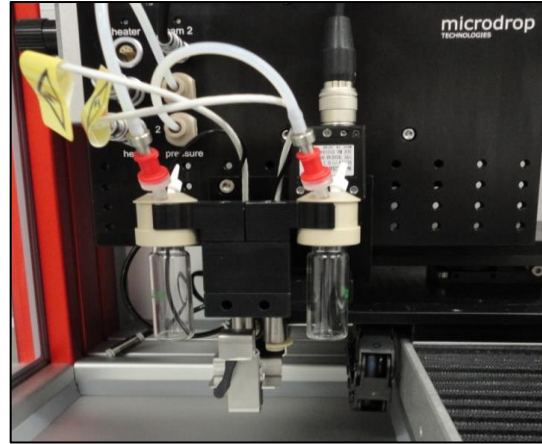
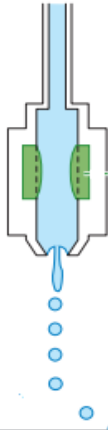


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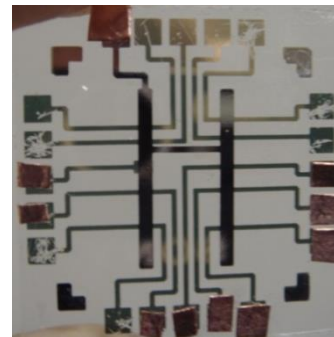
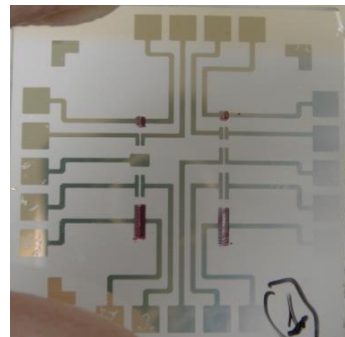
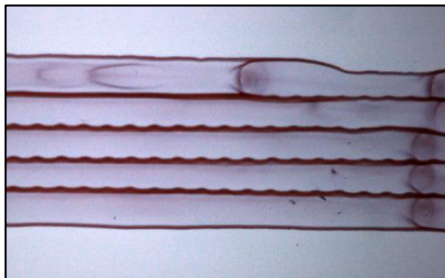
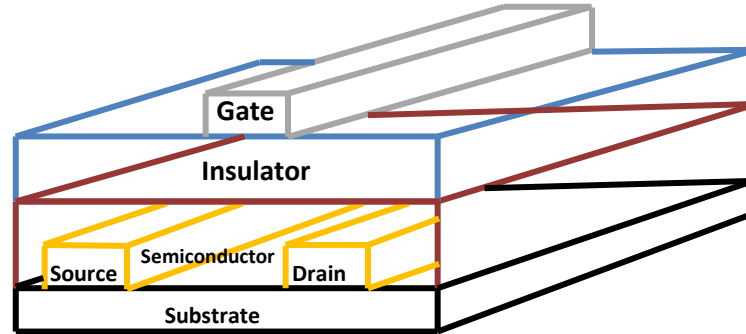
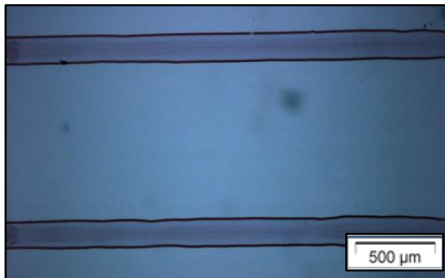
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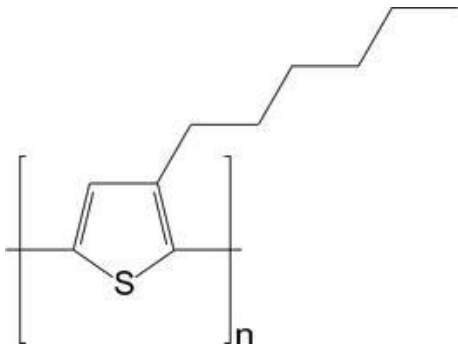
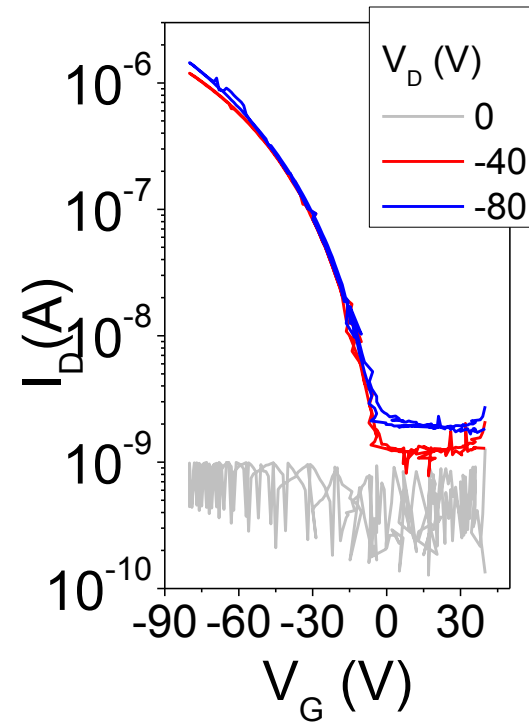
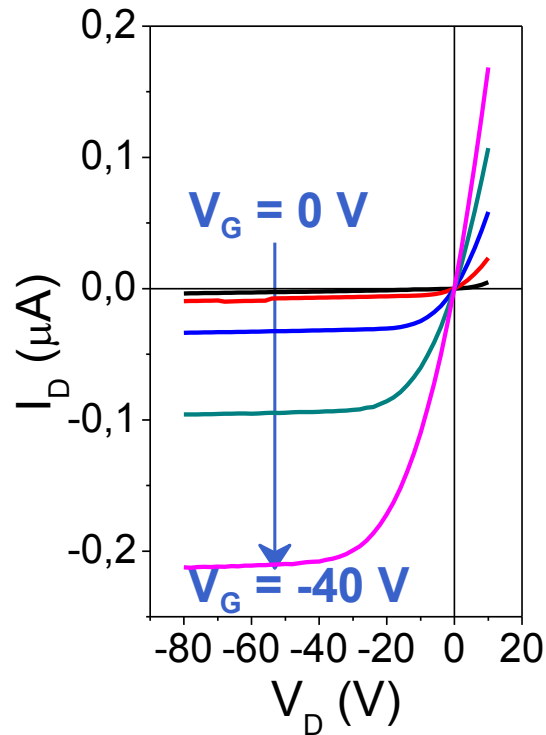
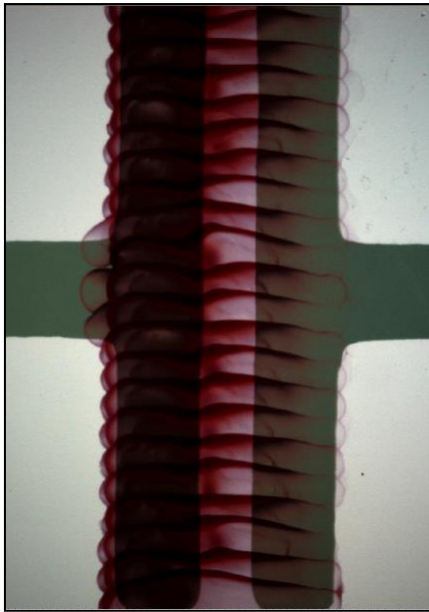


Poly(3-hexylthiophene)



\*Josiani Stefanelo

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	on/off ratio	$\mu_{\text{sat}}$ ( $\text{cm}^2/\text{V.s}$ )	Leakage current
Spin casting	94	$3,6 \times 10^{-3}$	$10^{-7}$
Inkjet	570	$6,5 \times 10^{-3}$	$10^{-9}$

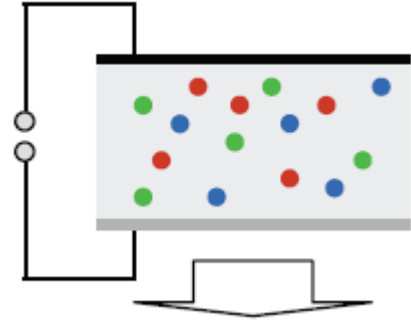


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## How to get white emission?

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Drawback: Right amount of each/Learning by doing.  
Phase separation...

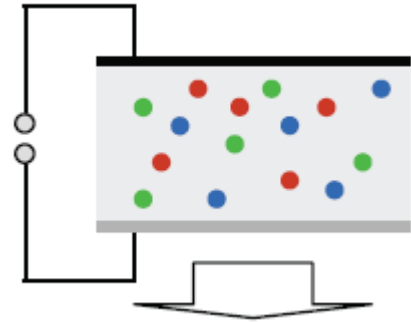


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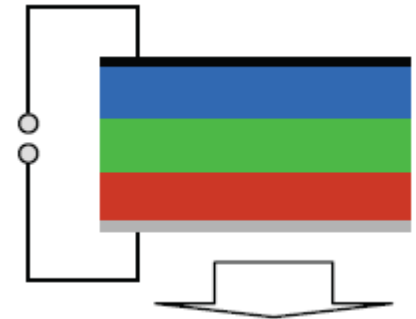
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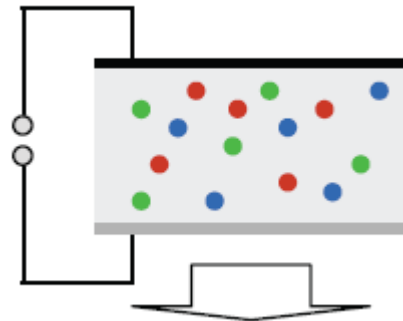


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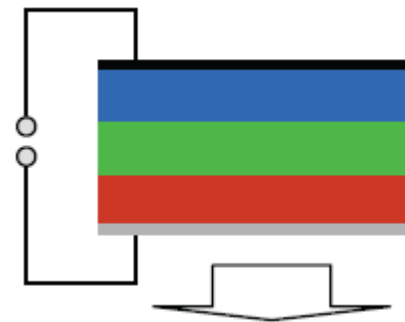
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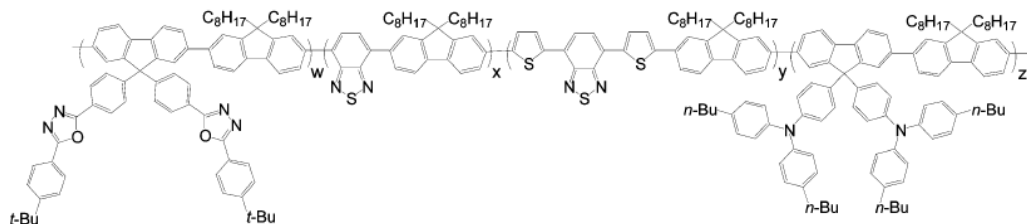
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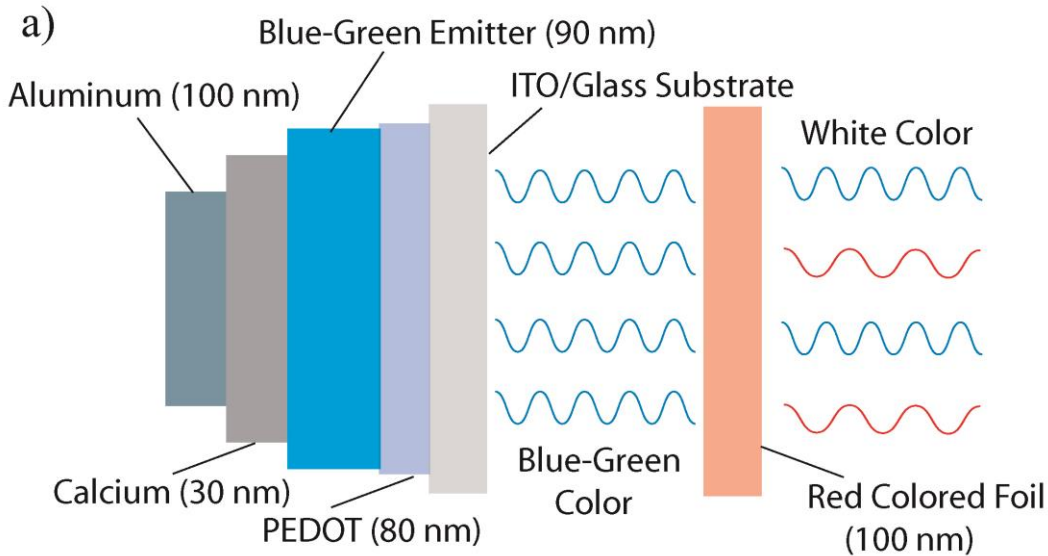


3) Synthetizing single molecules that exhibits white emission!

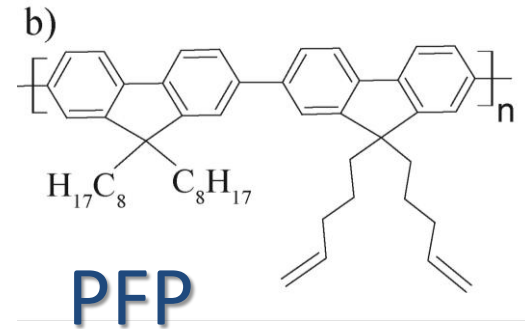
Drawback: Extremely challenging!



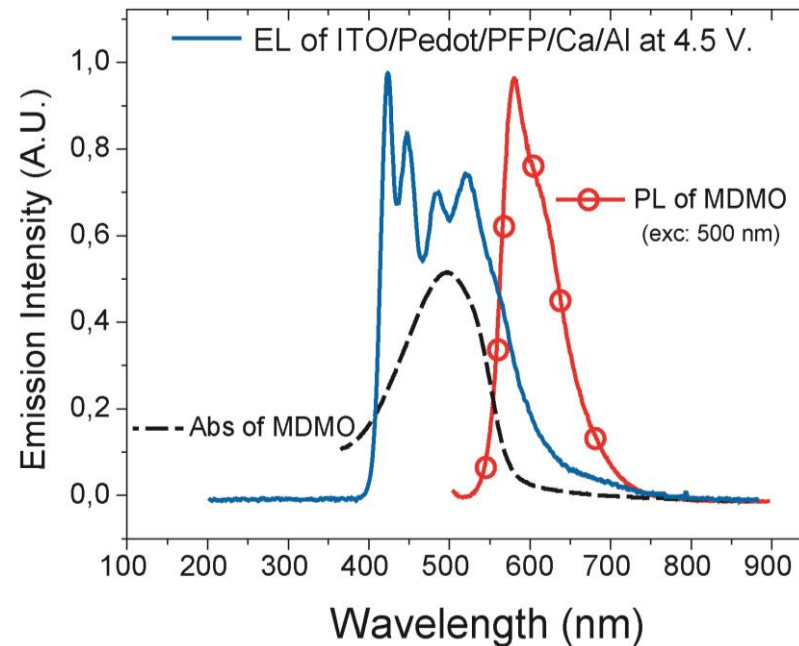
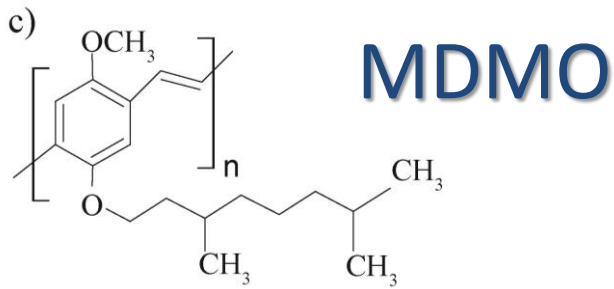
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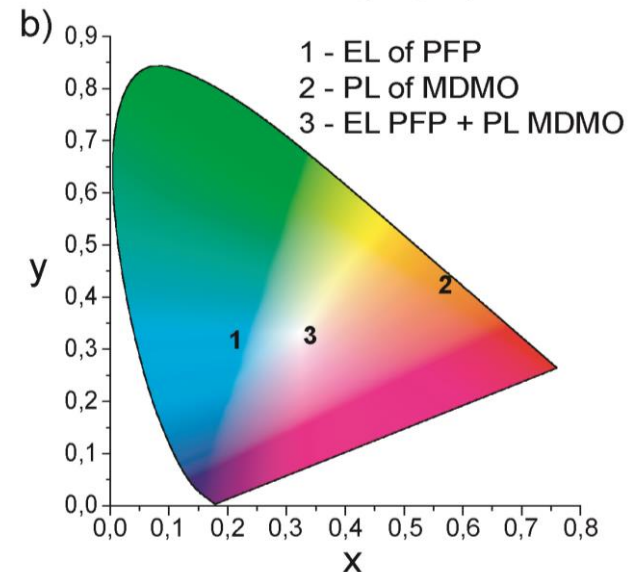
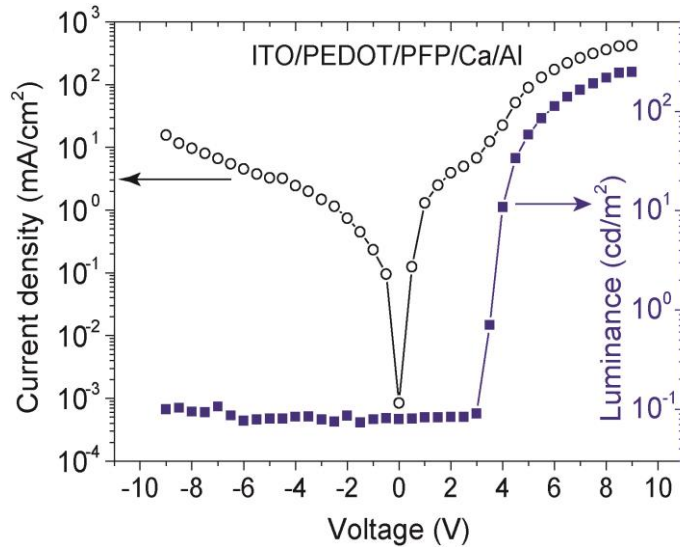
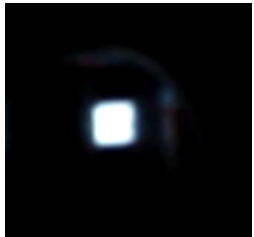
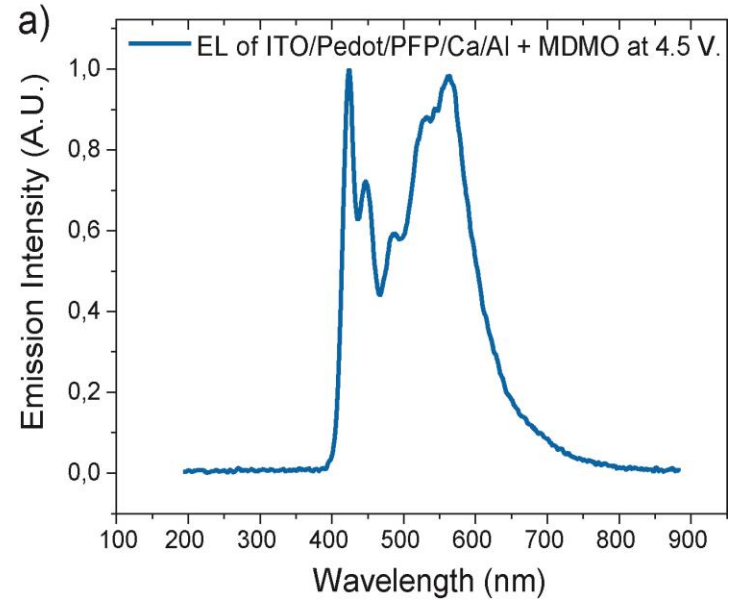
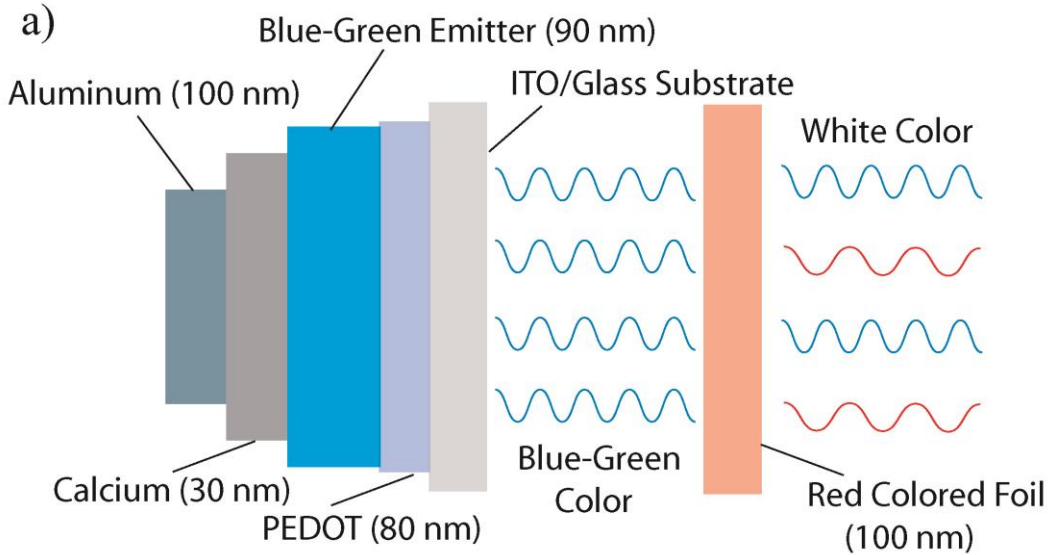
## Greenish EL-polymer



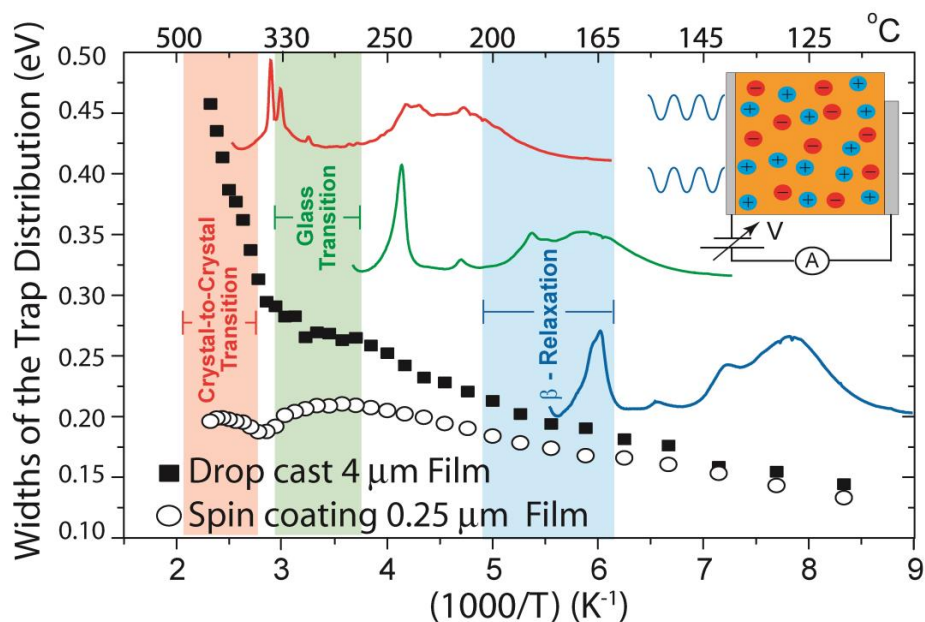
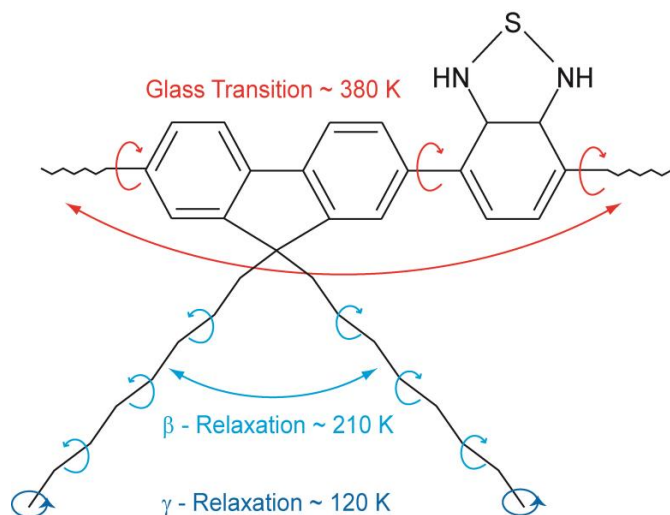
## Red PL-polymer



# New approach for WLED



# Importance of Structural Modification and Morphology on the Electrical Properties of Organic Electronic Devices



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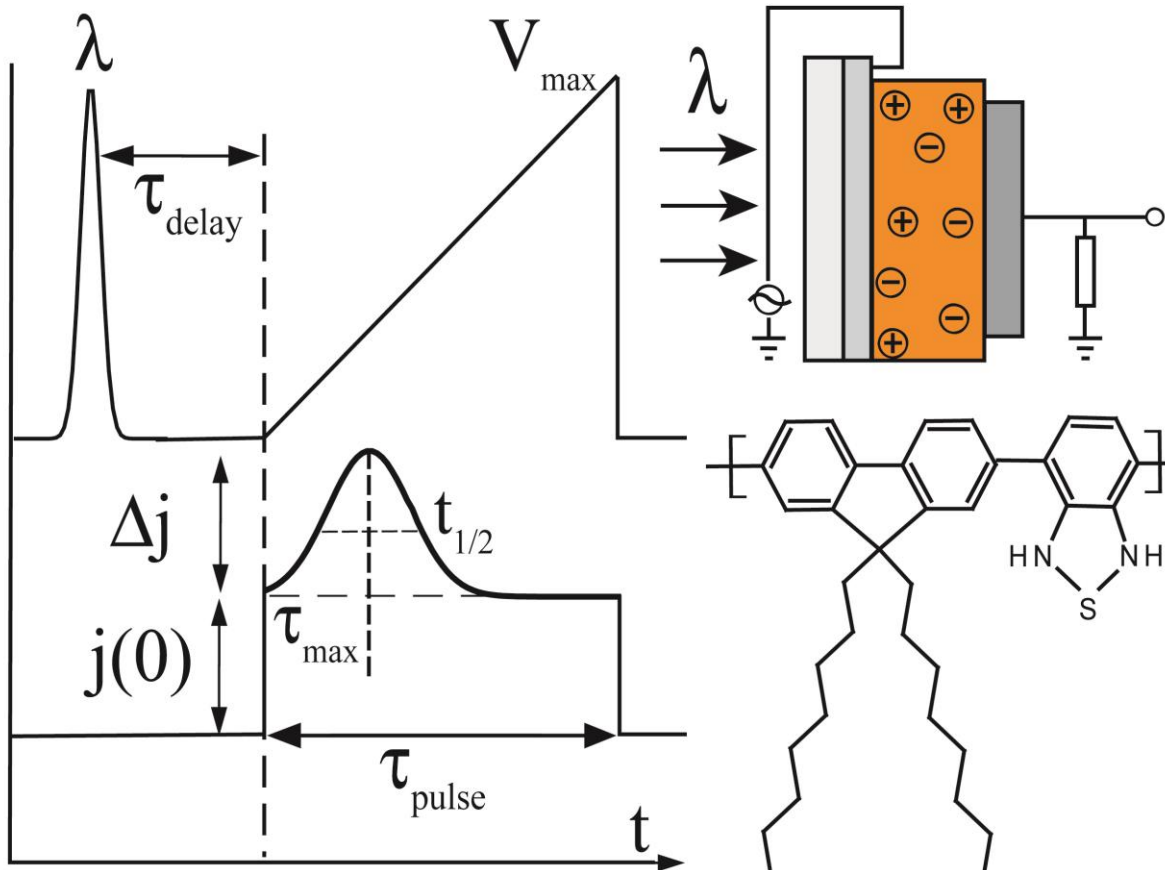
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# Mobility Measurement: Photo-CELIV

- How does CELIV work?

$$j(0) = (\epsilon\epsilon_0 A)/d$$

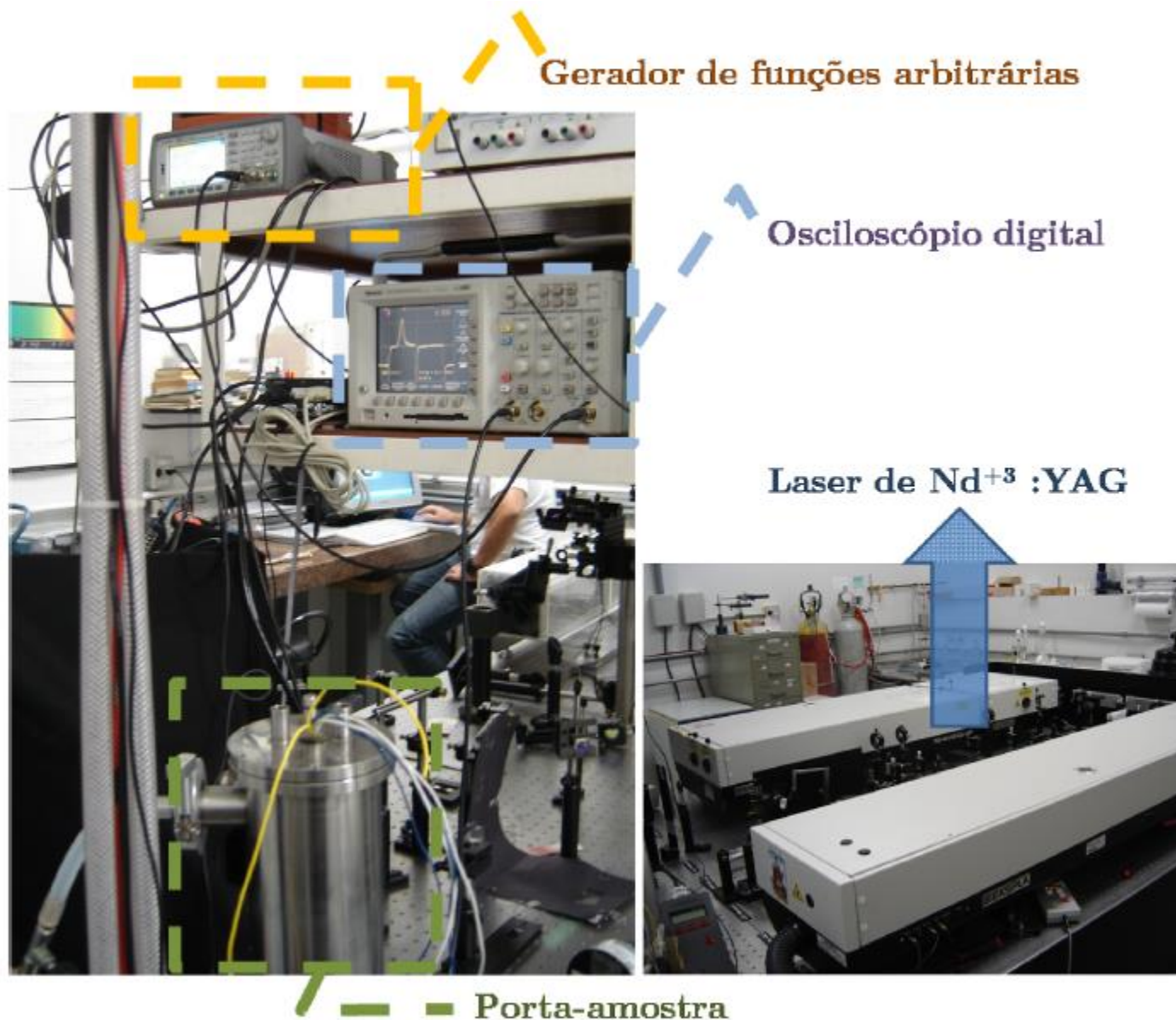


$$\mu = \frac{2d^2}{3At_{\text{max}}^2 \left[ 1 + 0.36 \frac{\Delta j}{j(0)} \right]}$$

Dispersiveness Parameter:

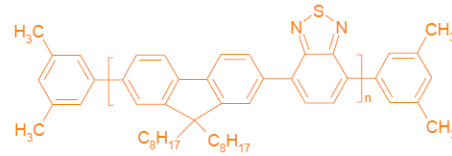
$$\text{ratio } t_{1/2}/t_{\text{max}}$$

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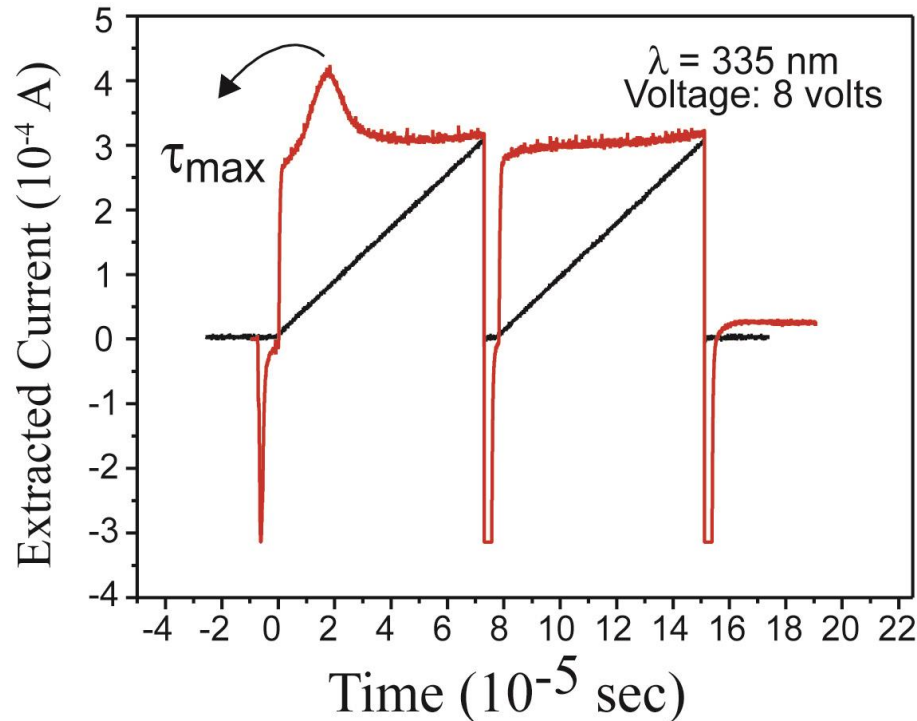




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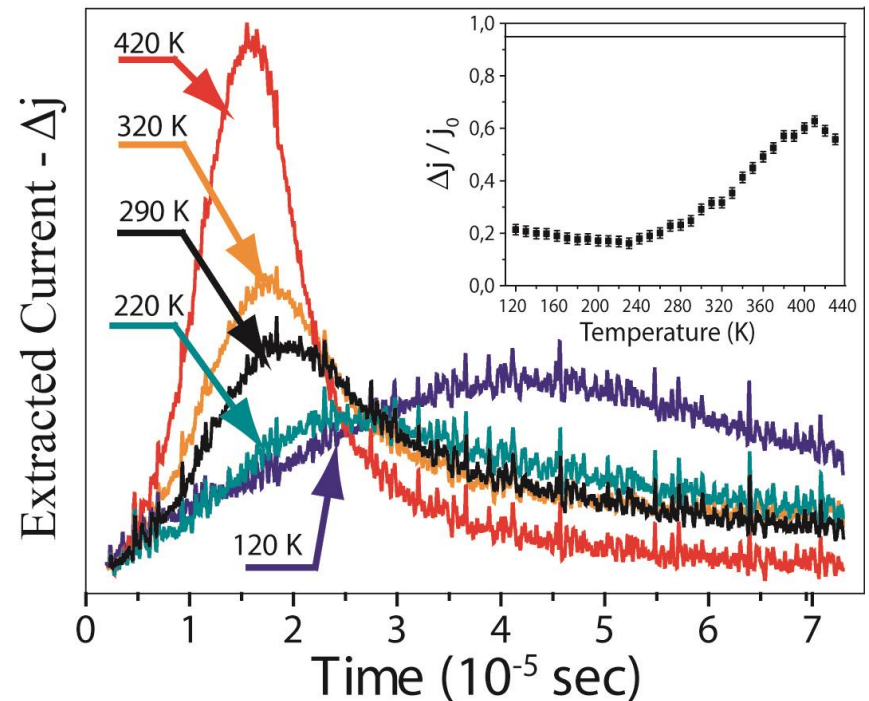


Full Photo-CELIV response:



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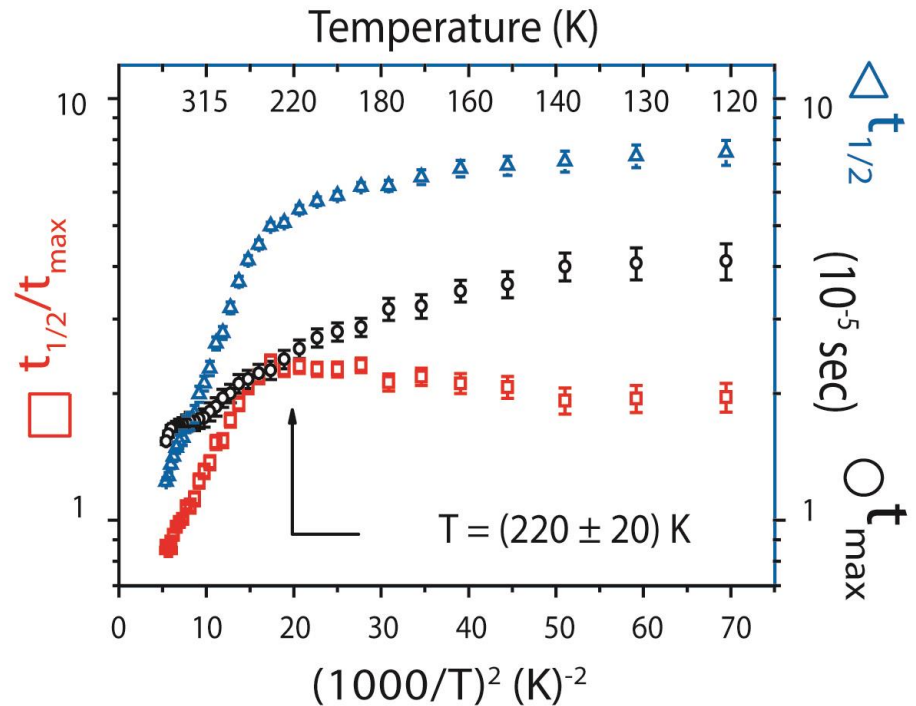
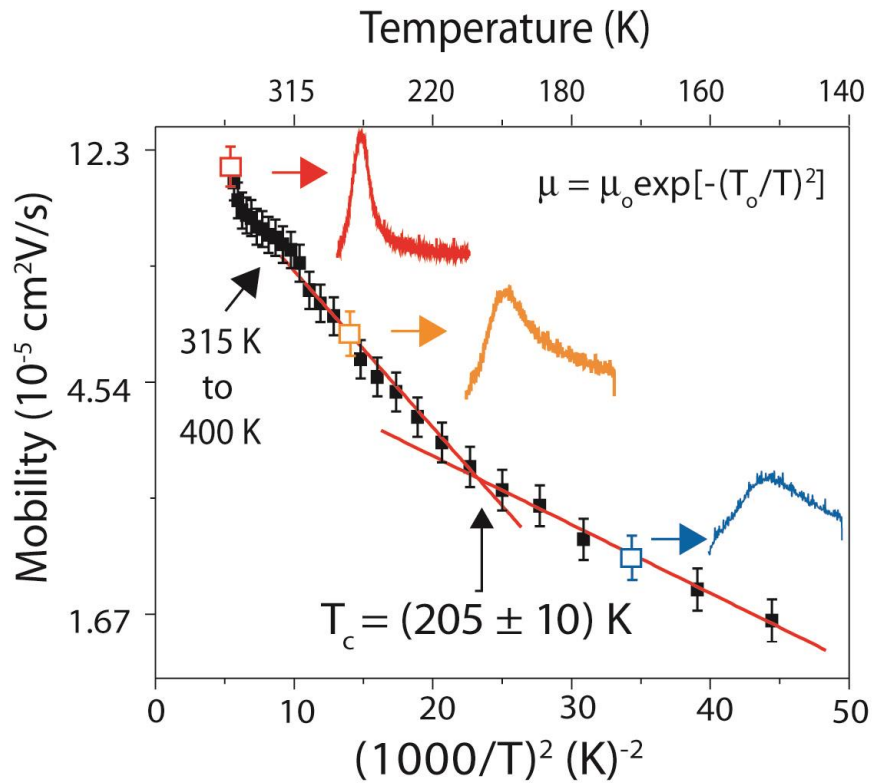
Extracted Current ( $\Delta j$ ):



Dispersiveness Parameter:

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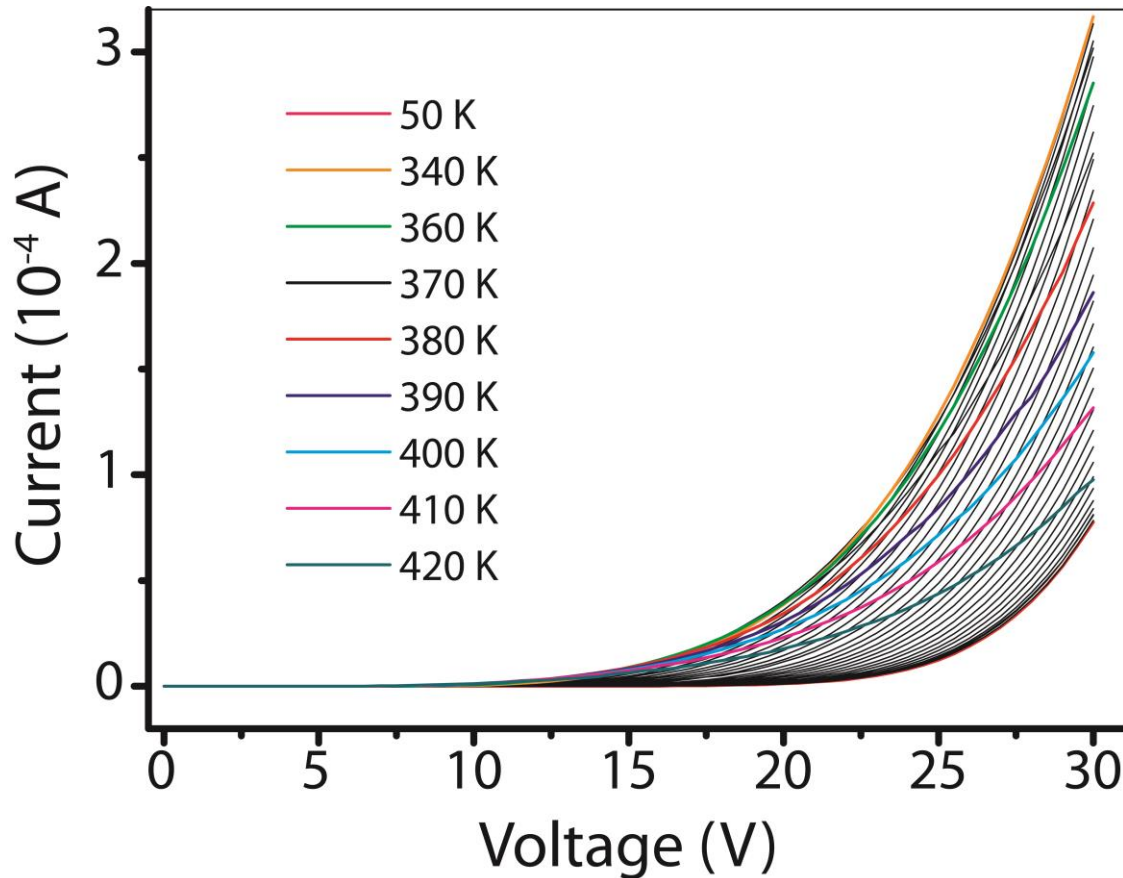
# Mobility Measurement: Photo-CELIV



Mobility vs. Temperature: Kinks and modulations...

Is it real? – Move to standard techniques...

# Mobility Measurement: Current-Voltage



## Modeling

$$J = p(x)e\mu_p[E(x)]E(x),$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{e} \frac{dE(x)}{dx} = p(x),$$

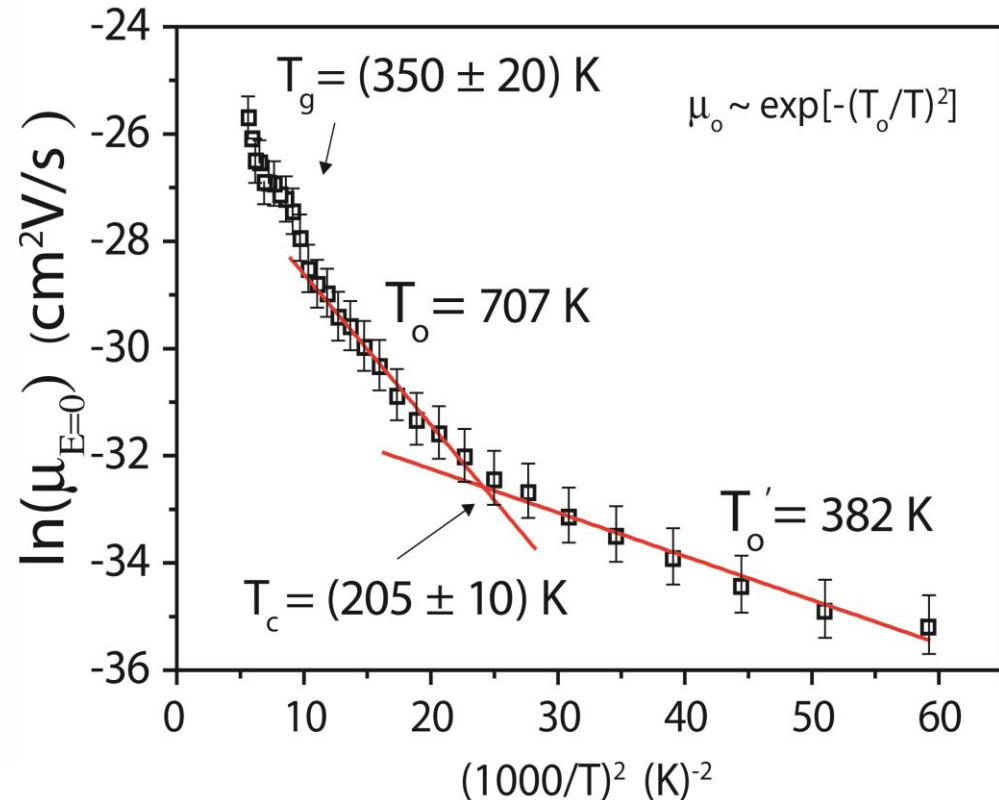
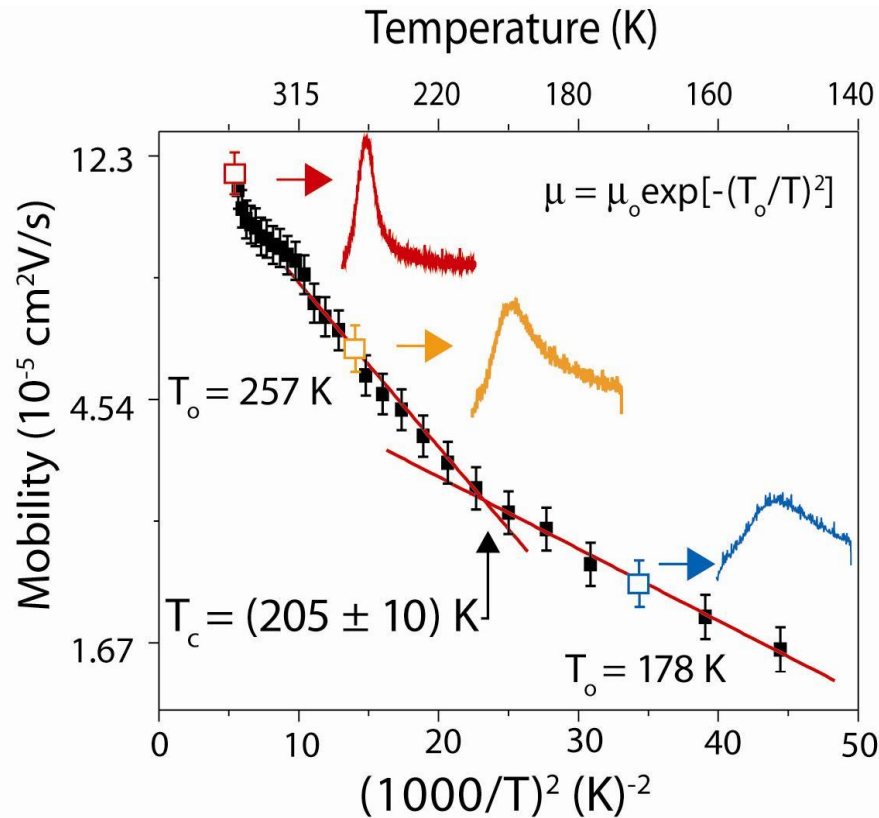
$$\mu(E) = \mu_0 e^{\gamma\sqrt{E}}$$

Electric-field and temperature dependence of the hole mobility in poly(*p*-phenylene vinylene)

P. W. M. Blom, M. J. M. de Jong, and M. G. van Munster  
Philips Research Laboratories, Prof. Holstlaan 4, 5656 AA Eindhoven, The Netherlands  
(Received 3 September 1996)

# Mobility: Photo-CELIV vs IxV

Remarkable similarity

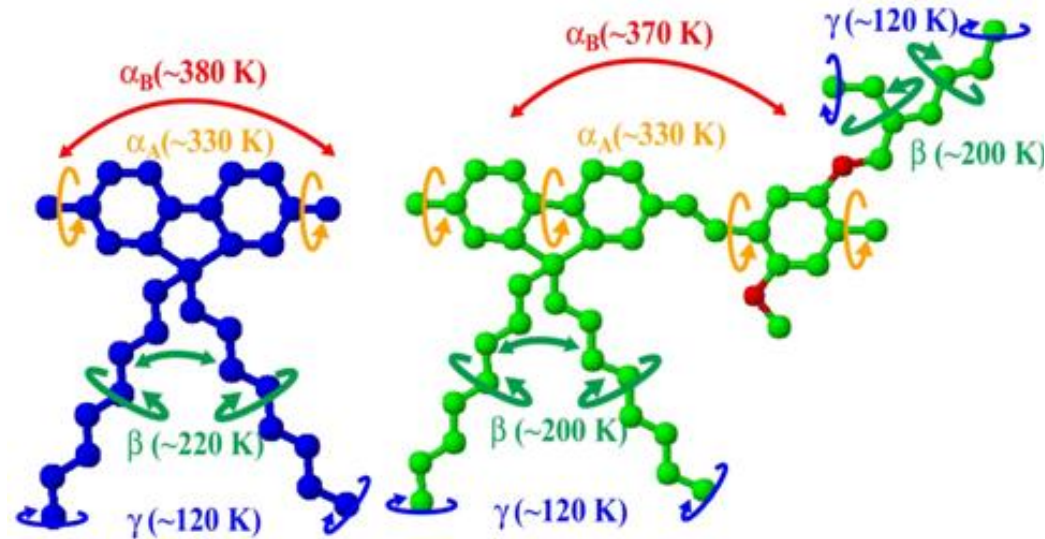


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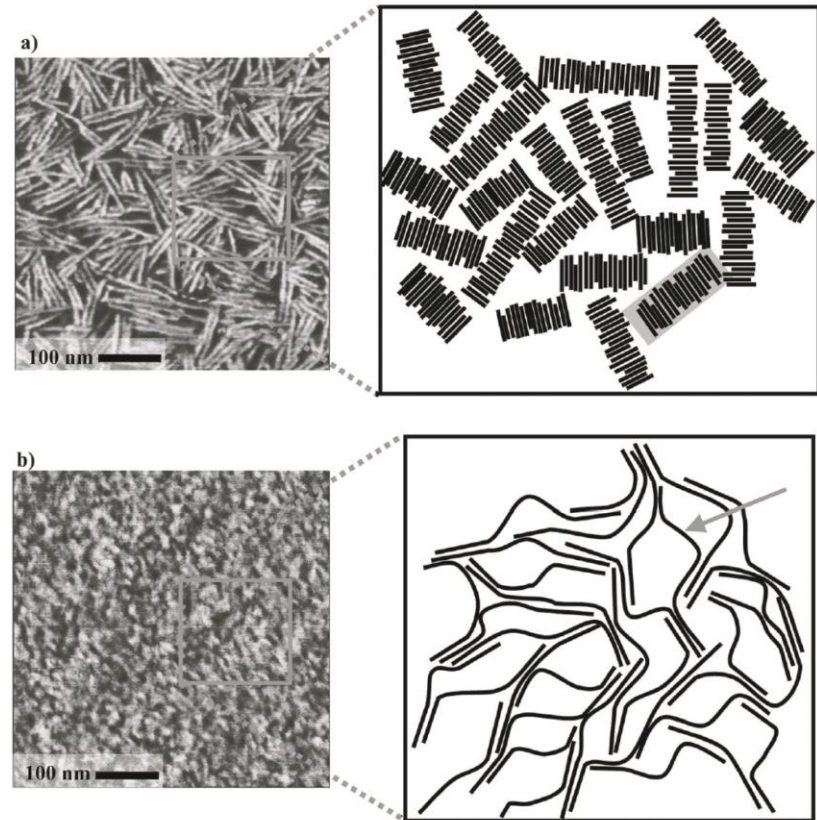
Why??

# Motivation

□ Polymer Materials has mobile segments: → Rich and Unstable



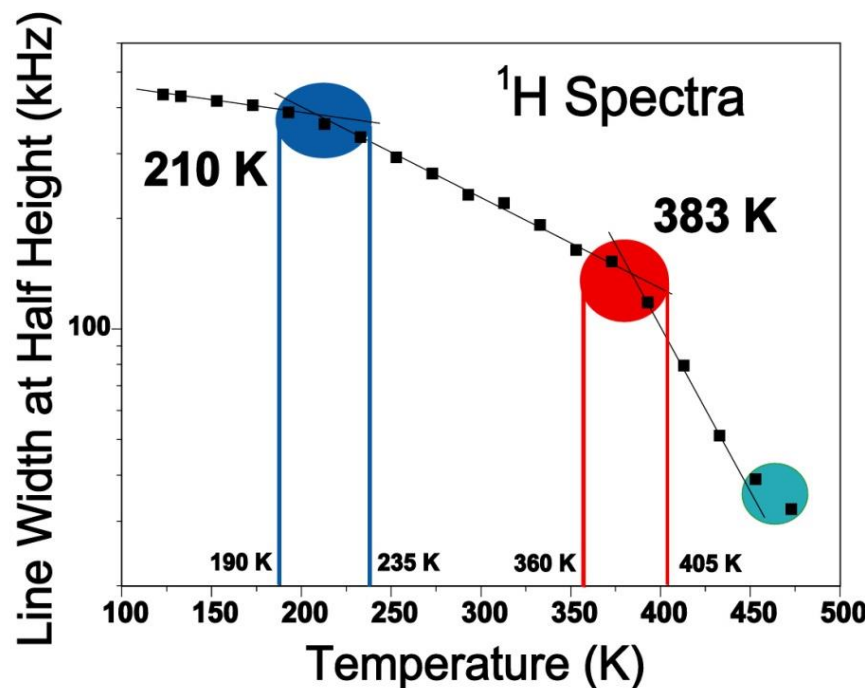
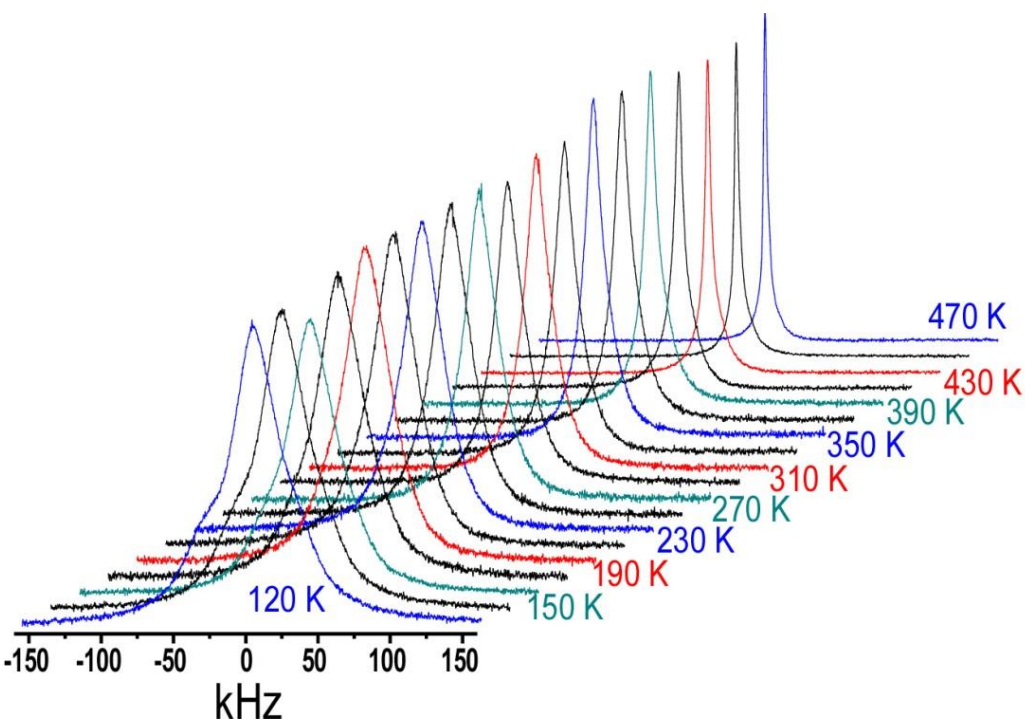
*J. Phys. Chem. B* 2009, 113, 11403–11413



Strongly affect its Electrical and Optical Properties

# Molecular Characterization

## Static $^1\text{H}$ NMR Experiment – Line Shape Analysis



Colaboração: Prof. Eduardo Ribeiro de Azevêdo – RMN/IFSC

# High Resolution ss-NMR Techniques

✓ **DIPSHIFT**

✓ **Exchange Methods**



Progress in Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy 47 (2005) 137–164

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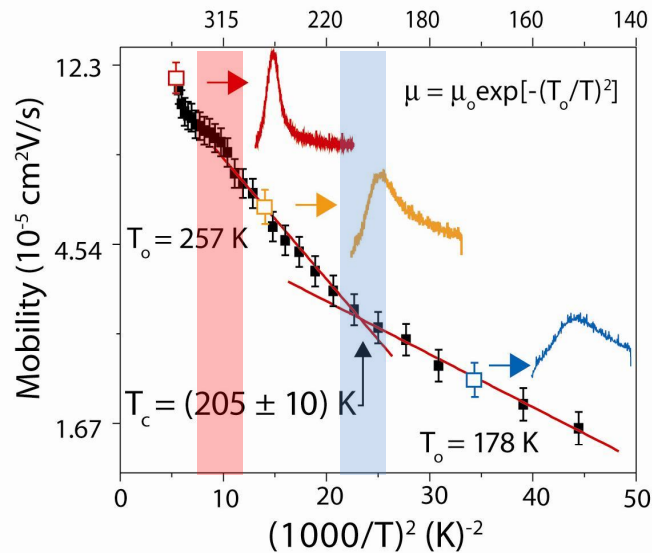
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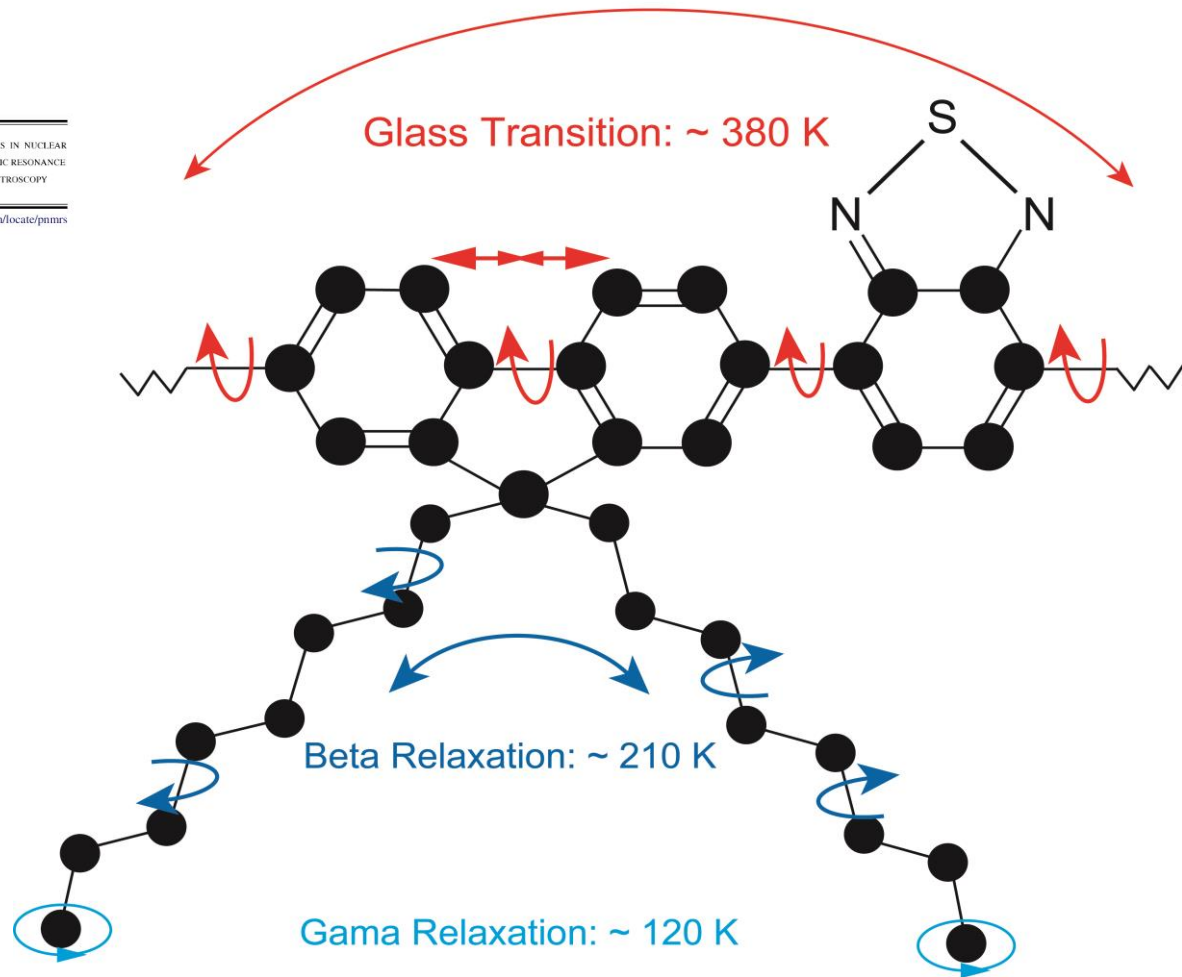
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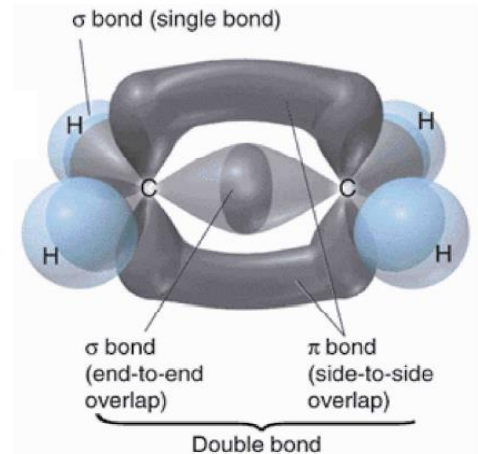
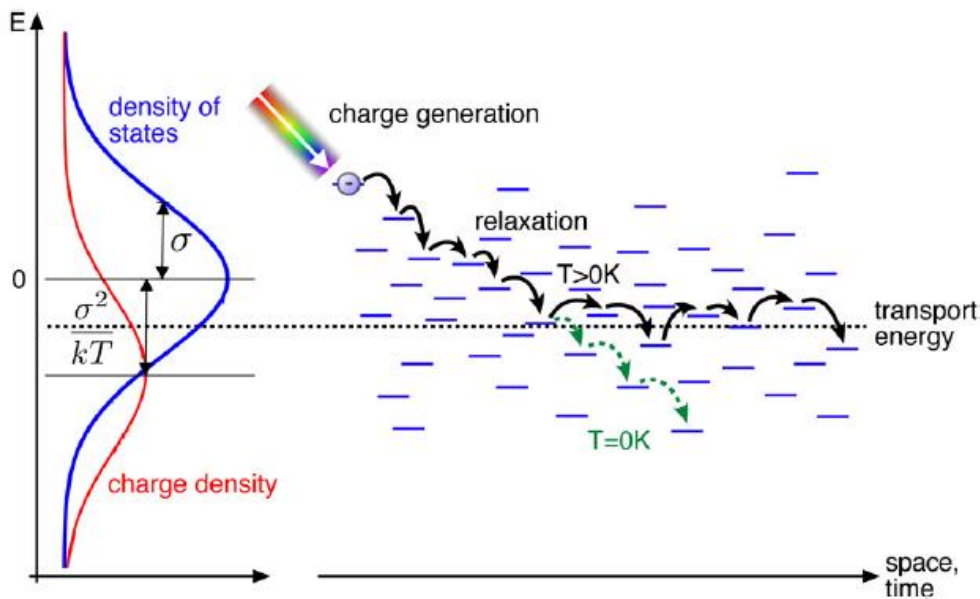
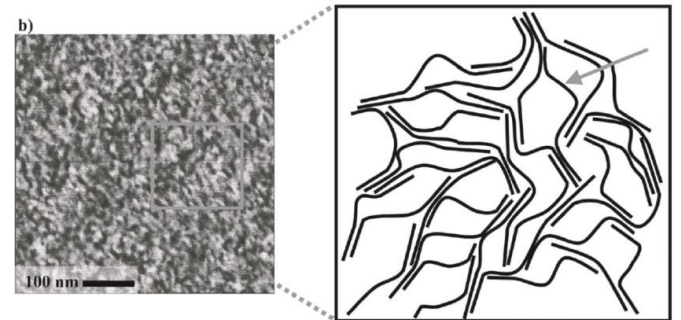
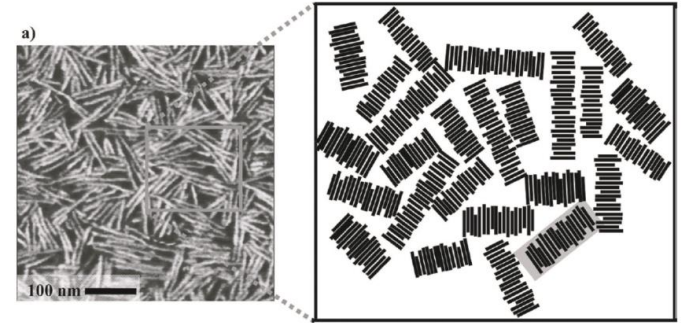
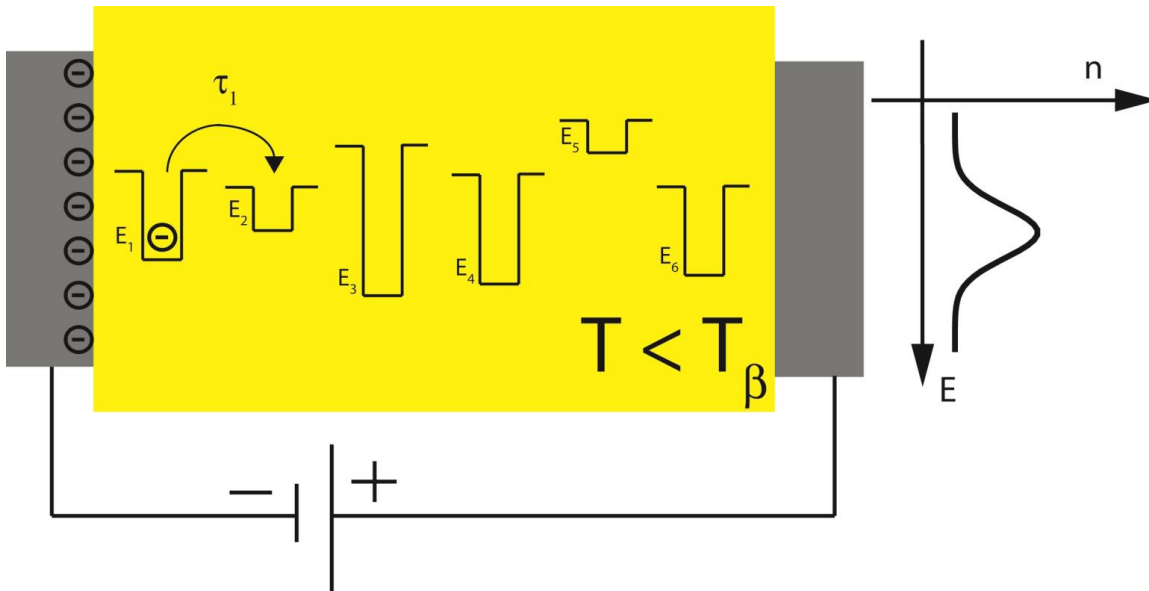
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F8BT: Molecular Relaxation Overview



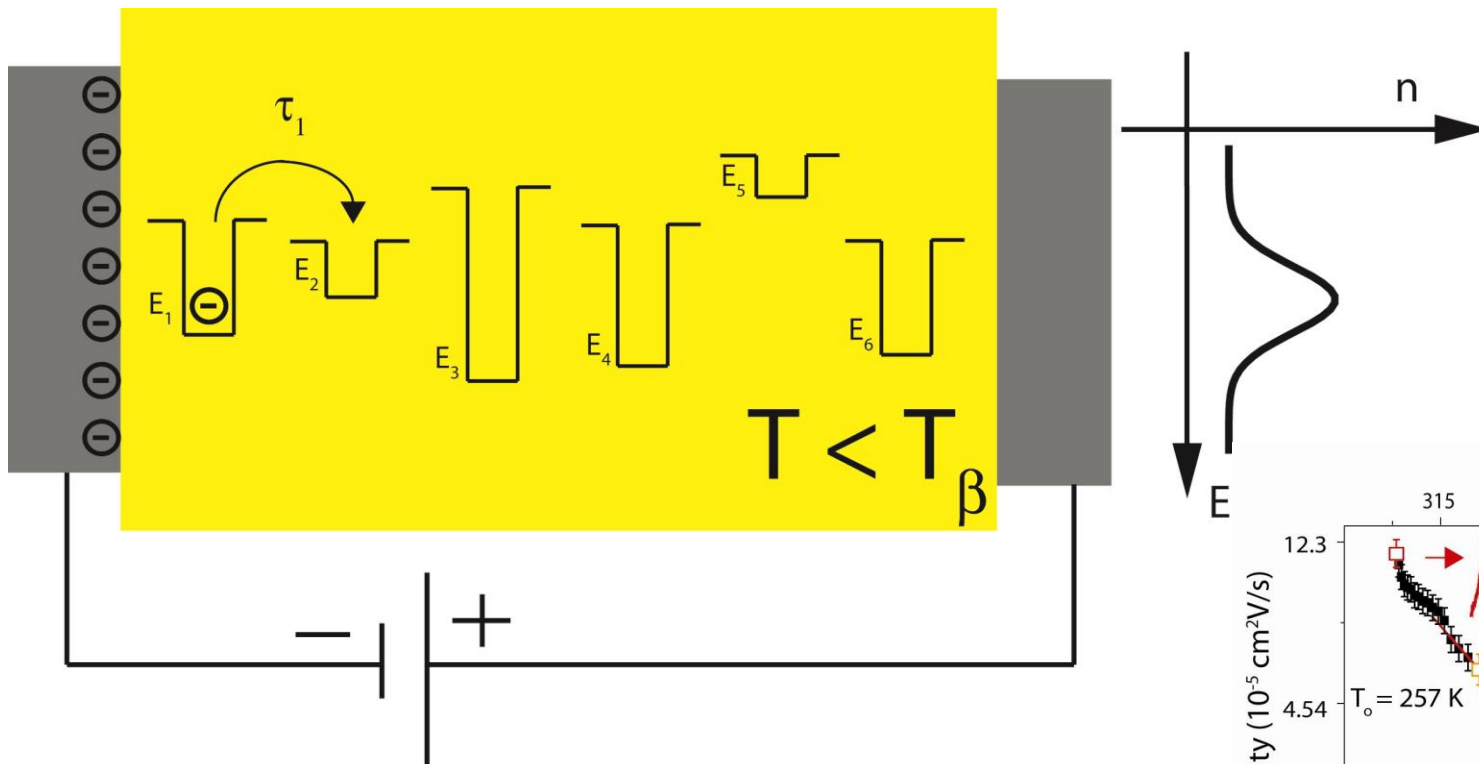
# How to interpret?





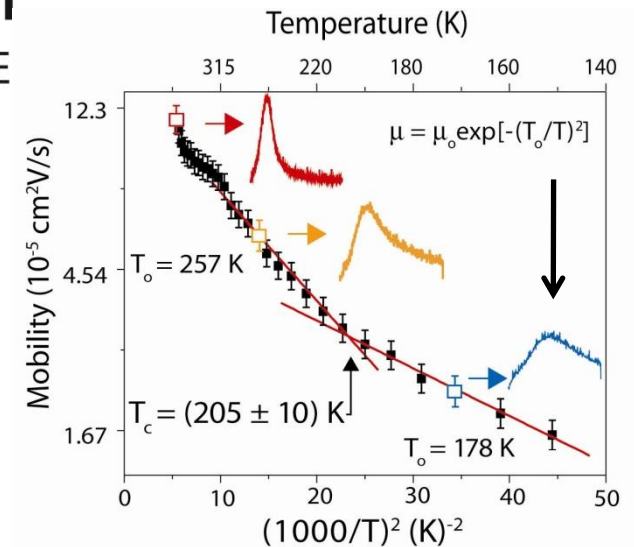
# Interpretation

## How is this?



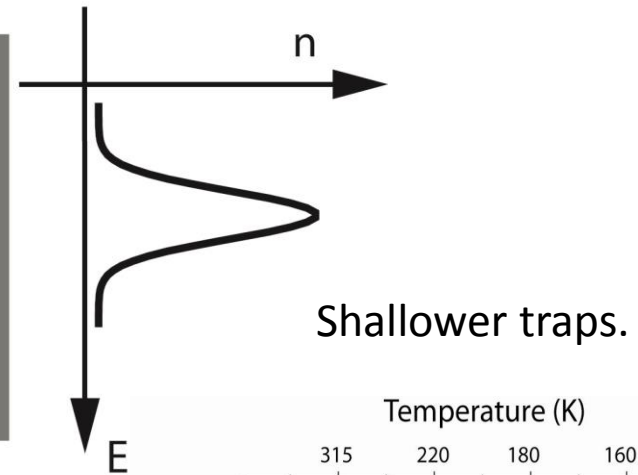
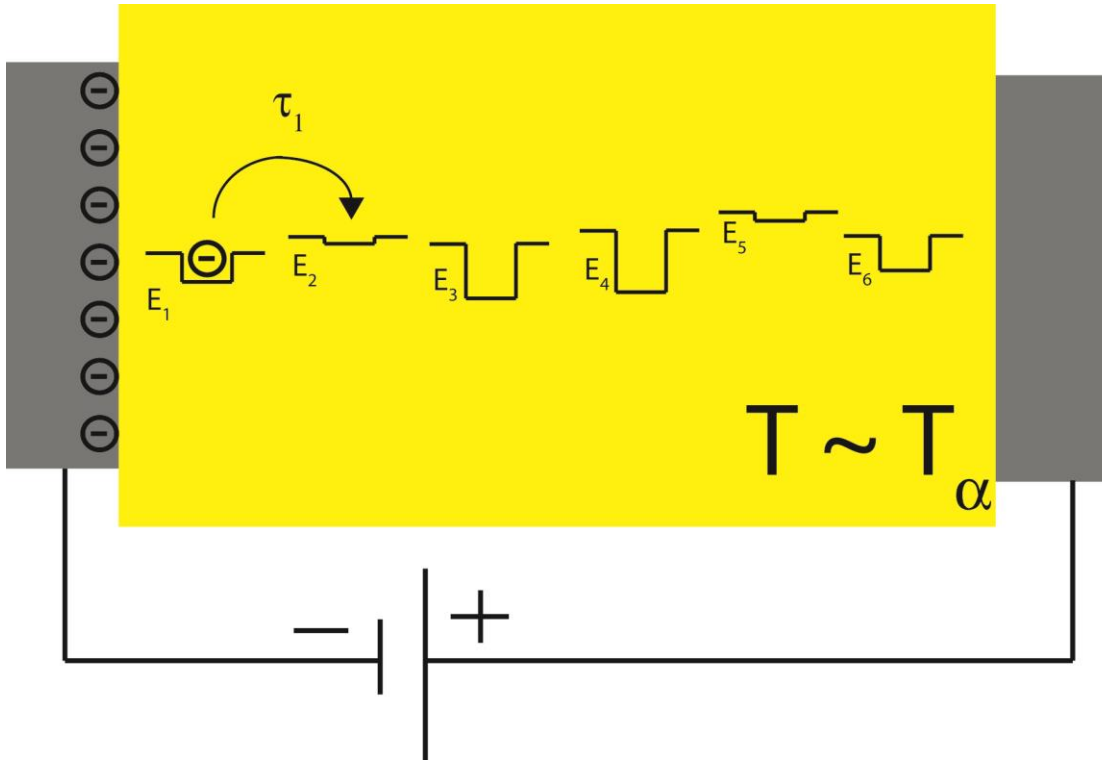
**“Trap Controlled” Hopping**

Hopping is impeded by deep traps



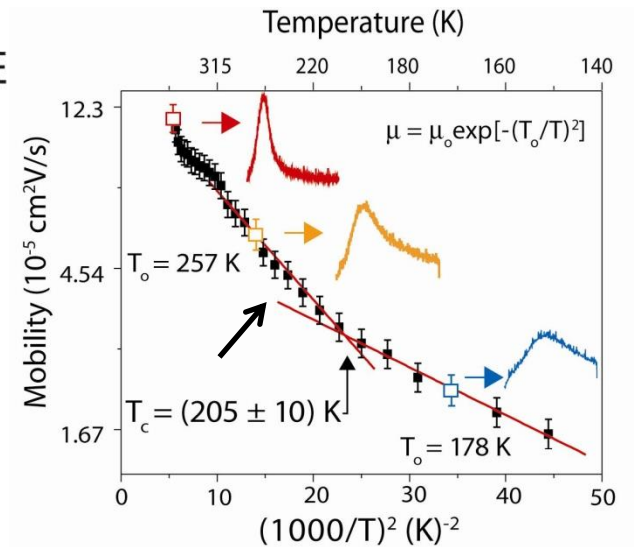
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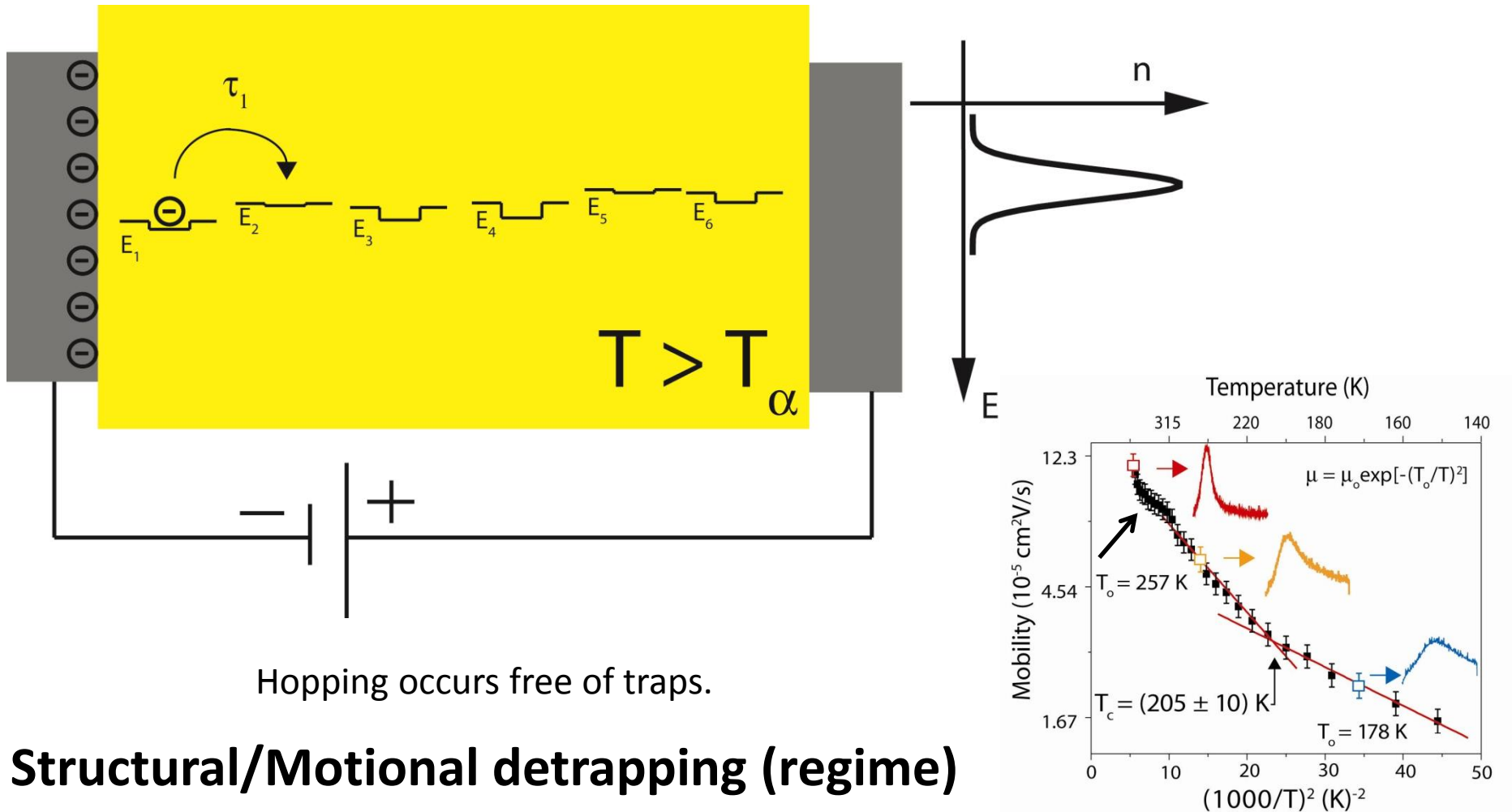
“Trap Controlled” Hopping

Structural/Motional Detrapping (regime)



# Interpretation

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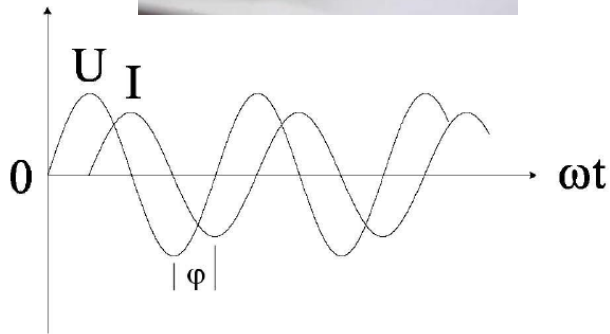


# Conclusion

- ✓ Two main relaxation processes:  $\sim 210$  K ( $\beta$ -relaxation) and  $\sim 370$  K (glass transition);
- ✓  $\beta$ -relaxation: Side Chain Relaxation/ Glass transition: Main Chain Relaxation
- ✓ Electrical Measurements: strongly influenced by relaxations and crystallization.
- ✓ Interpretation: trapping and detrapping mechanism together with molecular dynamics – structural/motional detrapping.

# Dielectric Relaxation

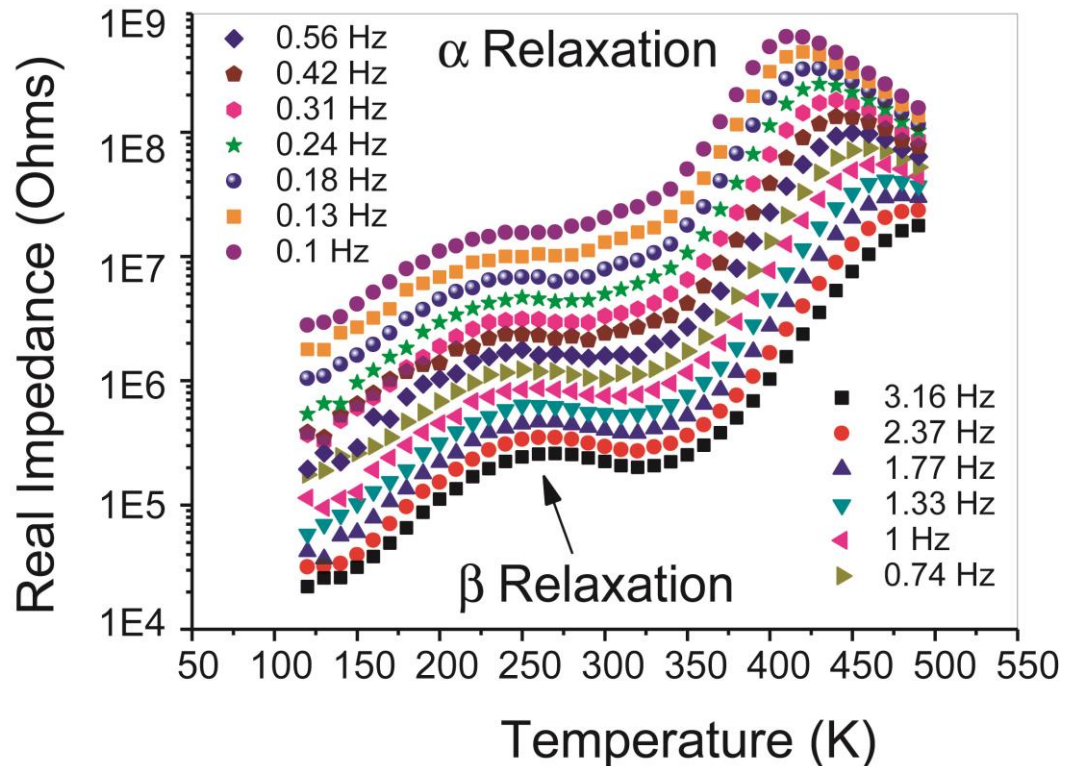
Molecular Relaxation detected electrically!!



$$U(t) = U_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t)$$

$$I(t) = I_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t + \varphi)$$

$\beta$  – Relaxation: ~ 210 Kelvins



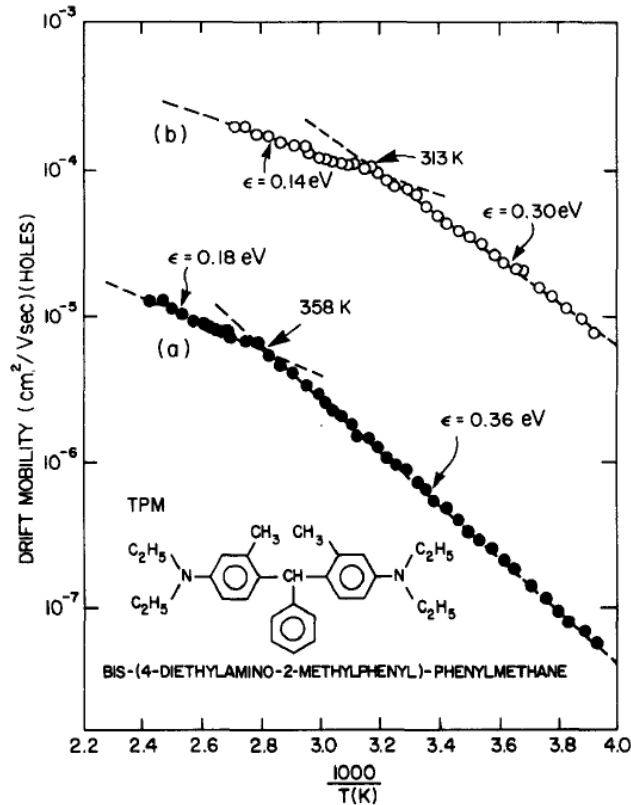
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# Motivation/Goals

□ Also, it is very common into the literature:

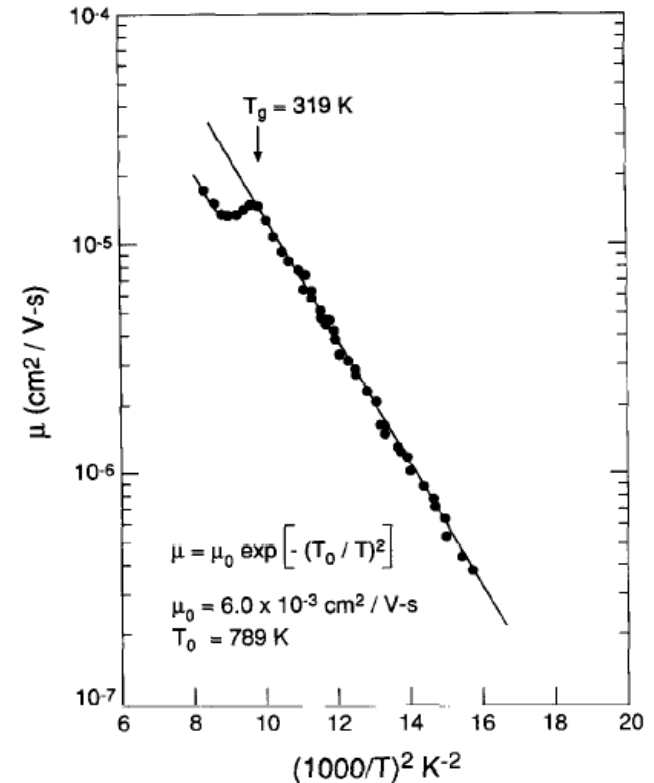
## Behavior of the drift mobility in the glass transition region of some hole-transporting amorphous organic films

M. Abkowitz, M. Stolka, and M. Morgan  
Xerox Corporation, Webster Research Center, Webster, New York 14580



## The transition from nondispersive to dispersive charge transport in vapor deposited films of 1-phenyl-3-*p*-diethylamino-styryl-5-*p*-diethylphenylpyrazoline (DEASP)

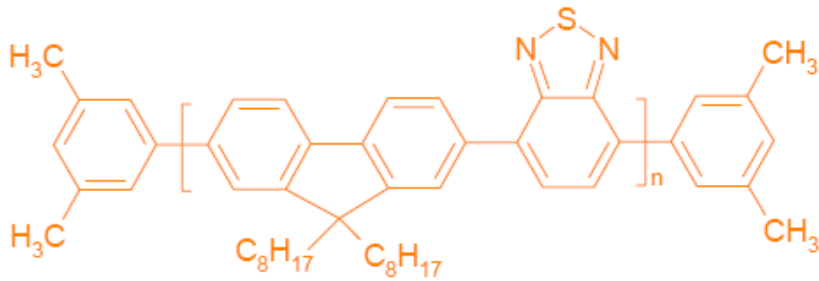
H. Bässler  
 Fachbereich Physikalische Chemie und Zentrum für Materialwissenschaften der Philipps-Universität,  
 D-35032 Marburg, Germany



□ Decided to analyze such futures with more details.

# Material and Samples

## □ Poly(9,9'-dioctylfluorene-co-benzothiadiazole) – F8BT

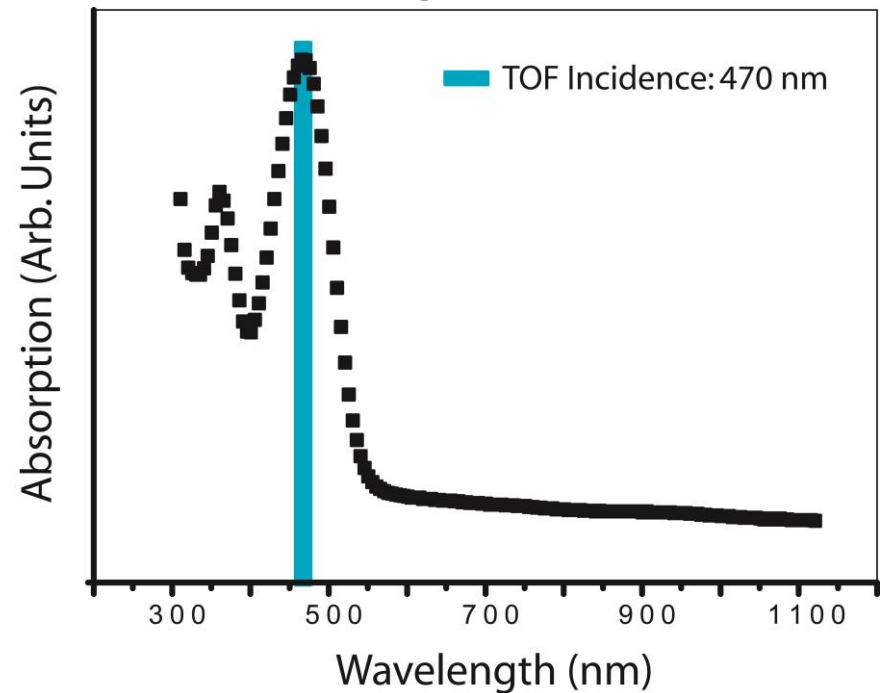
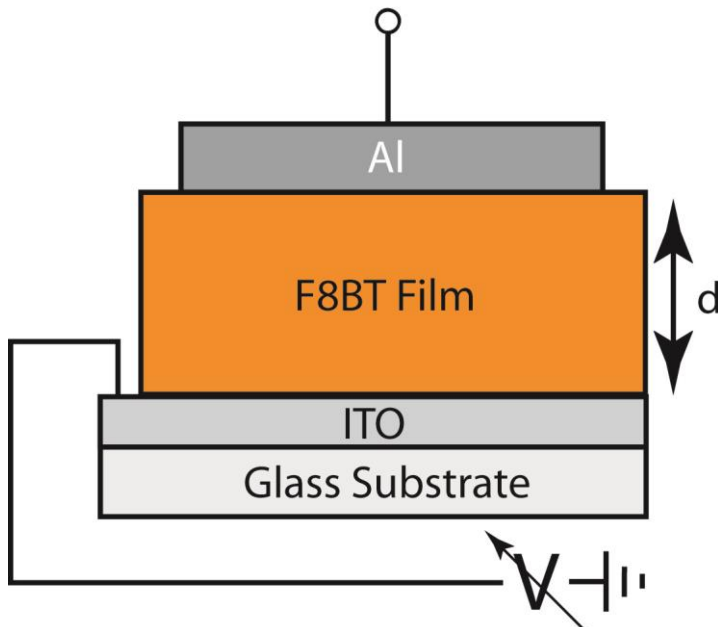


→ Well known material!

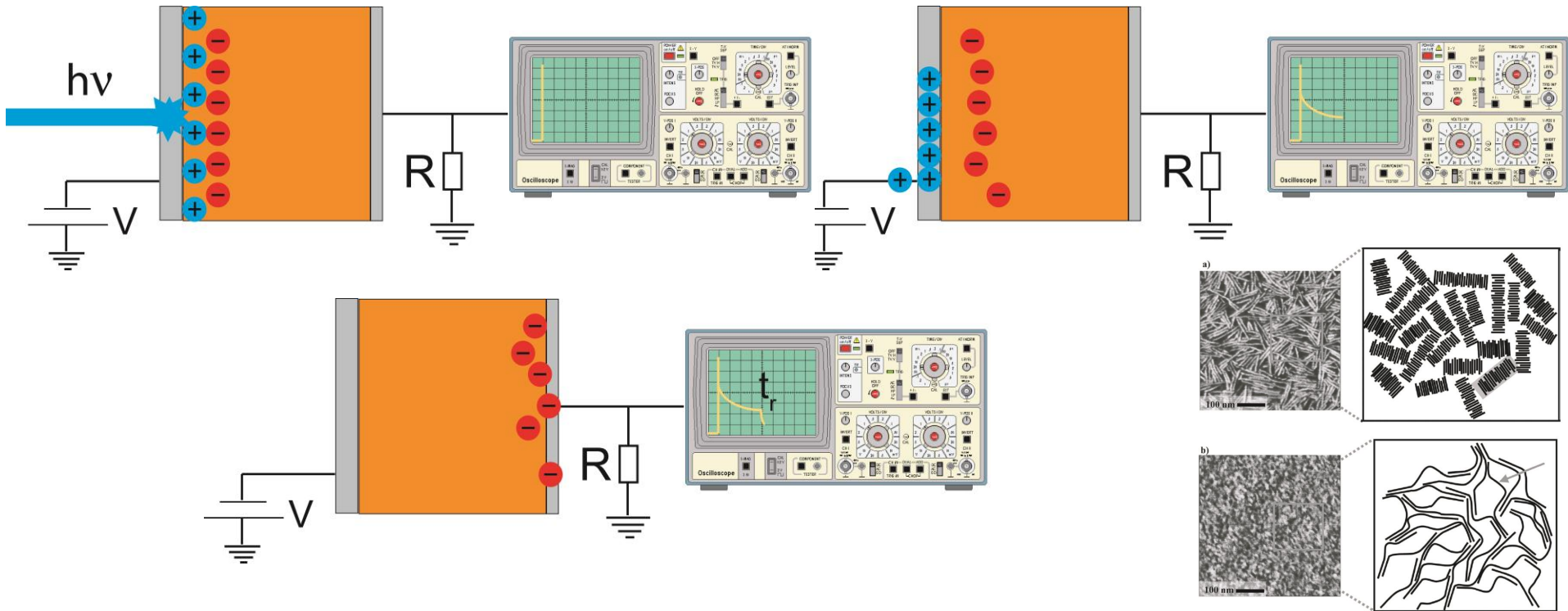
We want to measure mobility:

→ Time of Flight Measurements!

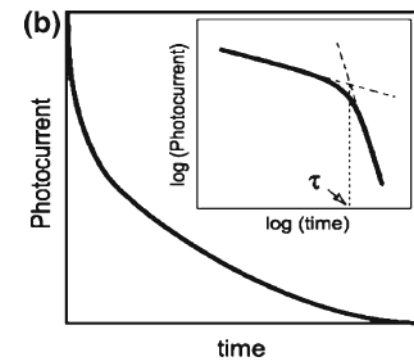
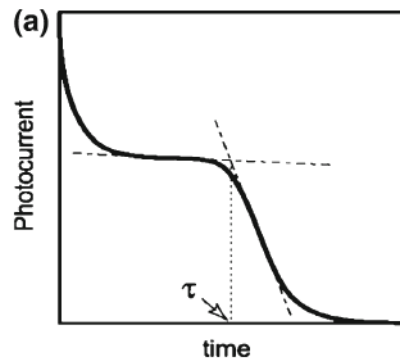
4  $\mu\text{m}$  films obtained by Simple Cast



# Time of Flight Measurements



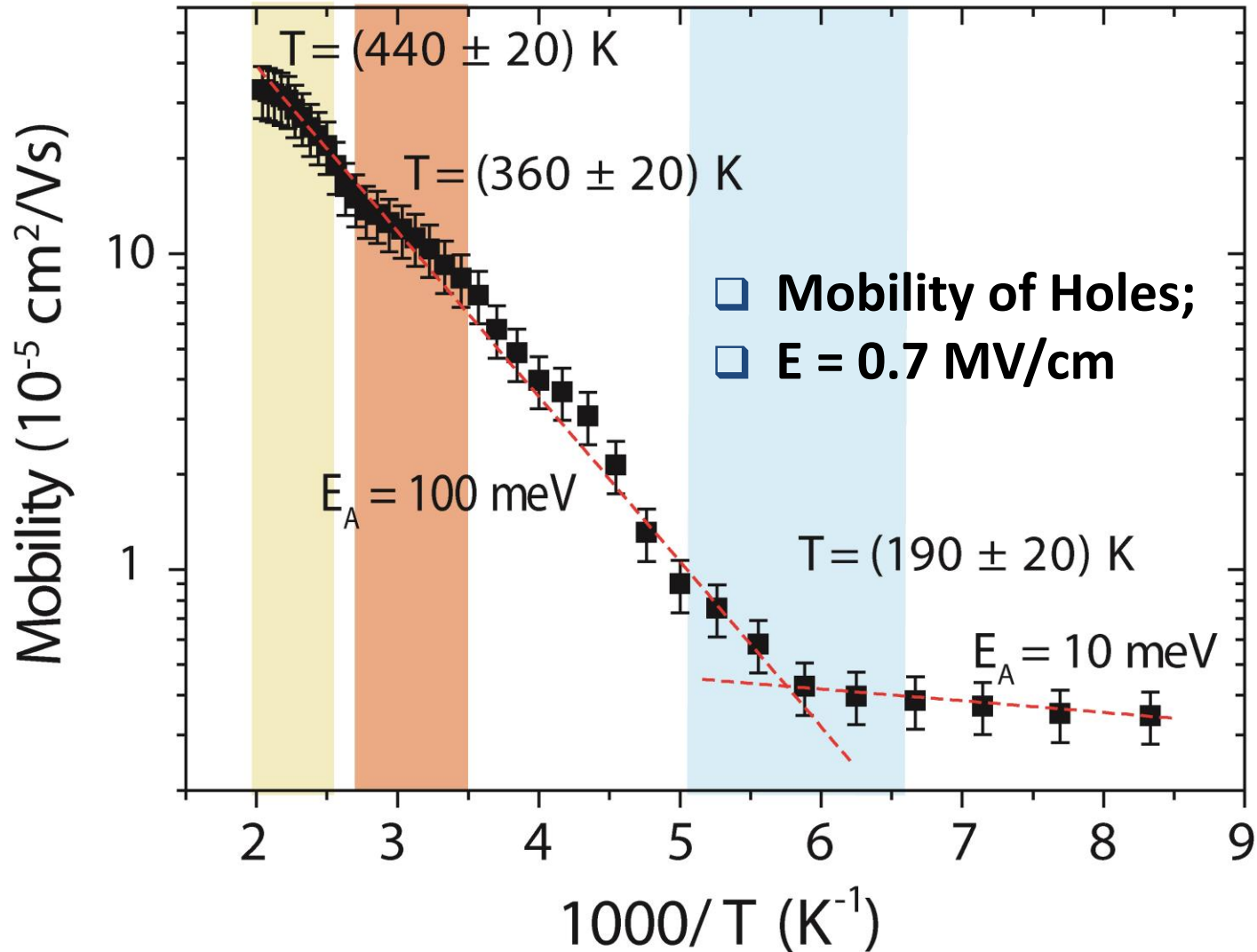
$$\mu = \frac{d}{t_T E}$$





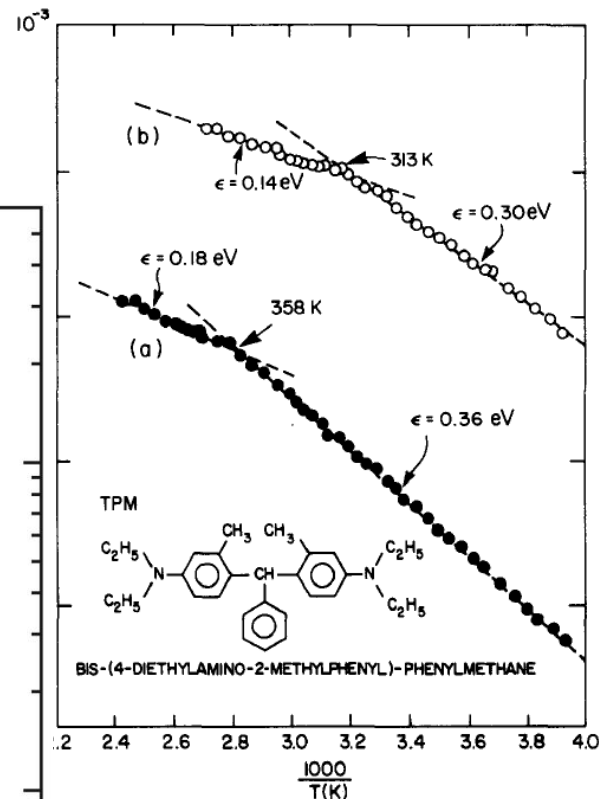
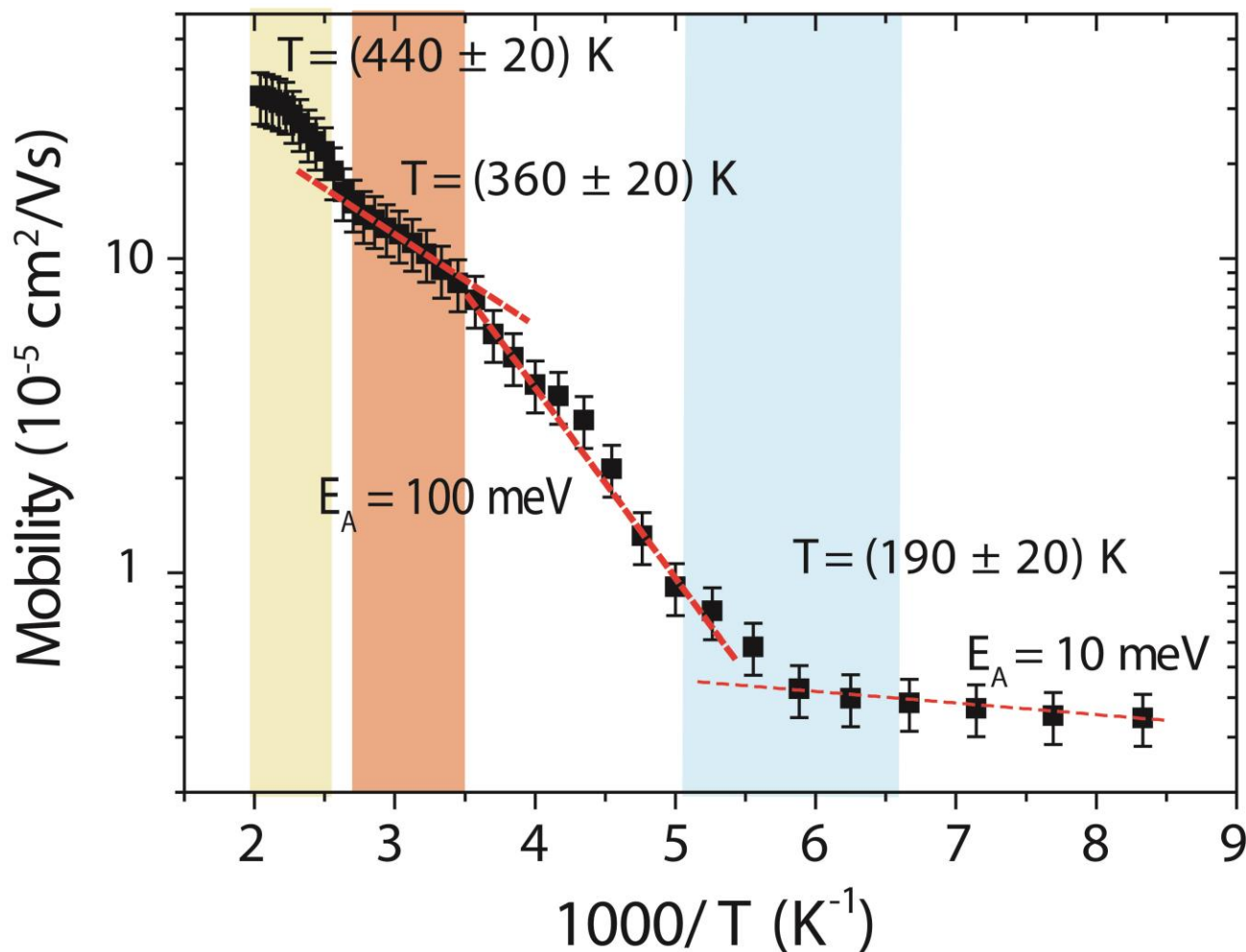
# Time of Flight Measurements

- Excitation: 9 ns pulsed laser -  $\lambda = 470$  nm;



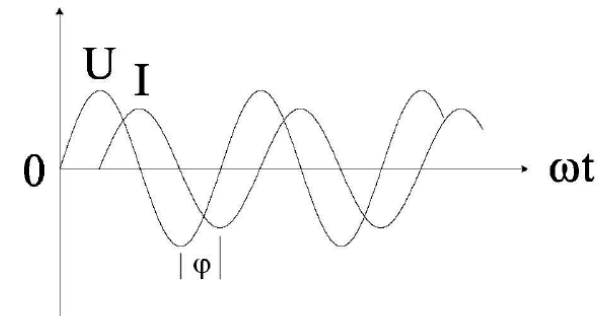
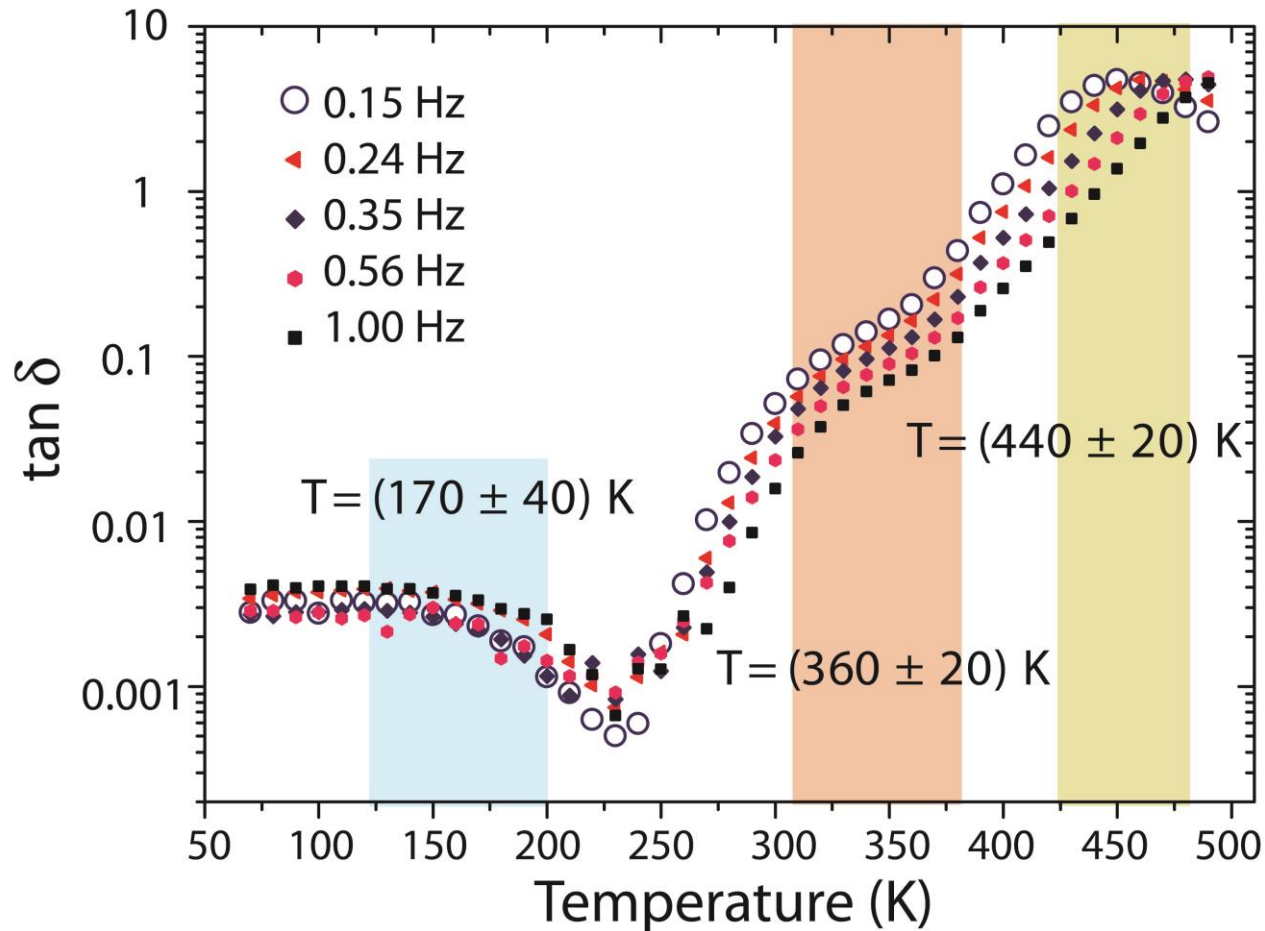
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# Dielectric Spectroscopy

Are those characteristics due to molecular relaxation/structural transition?

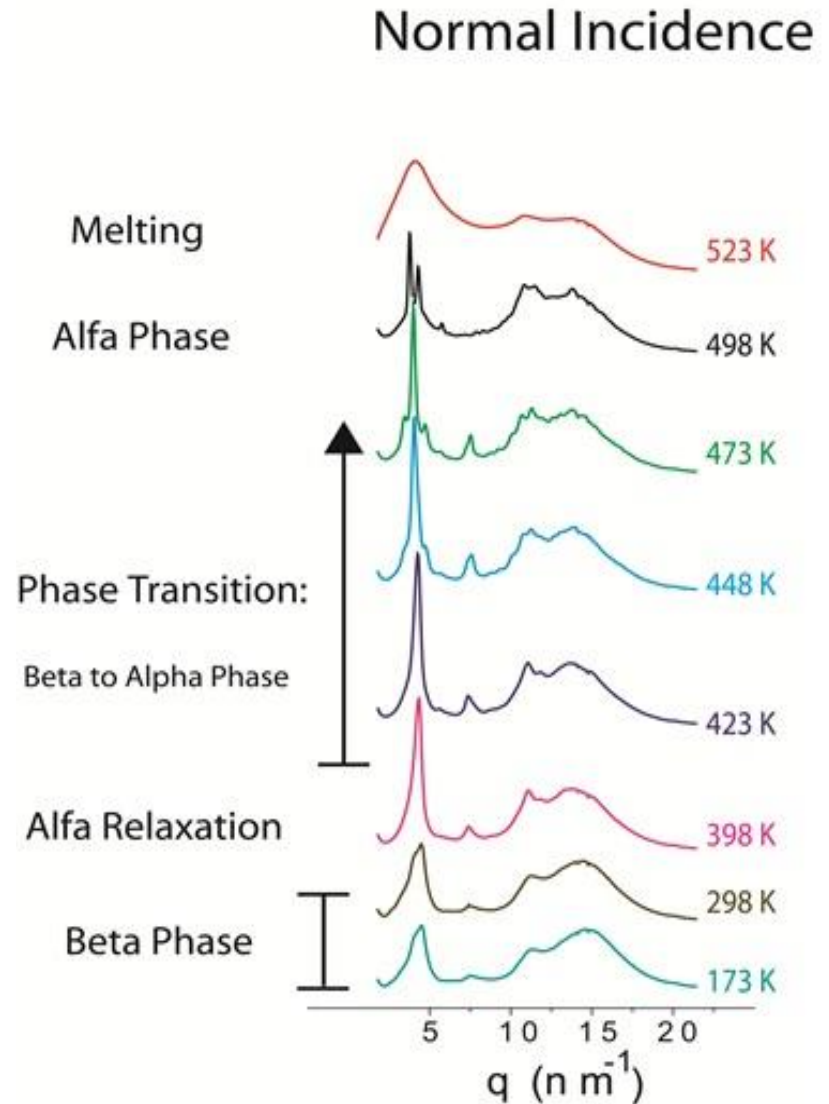
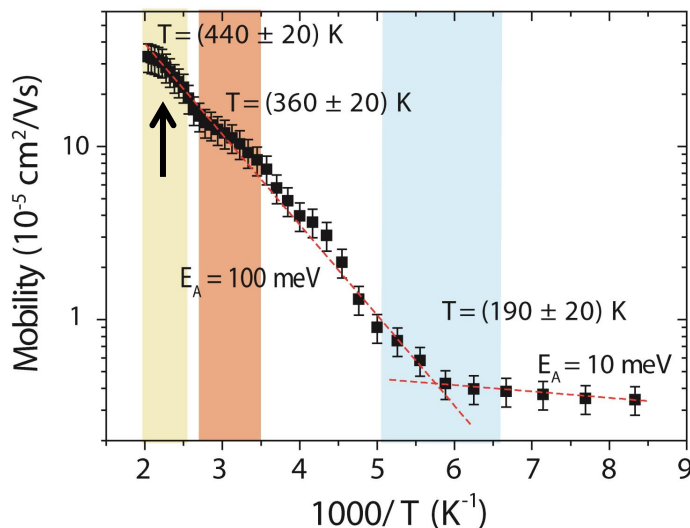
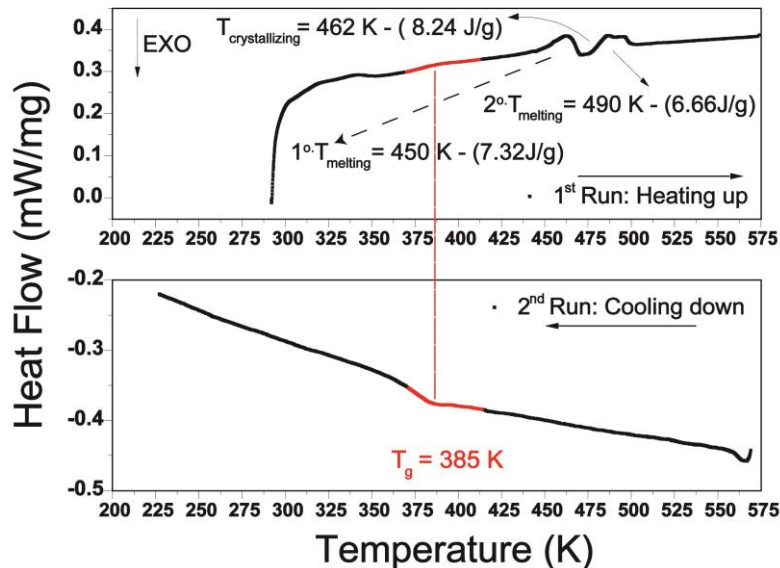


$$U(t) = U_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t)$$

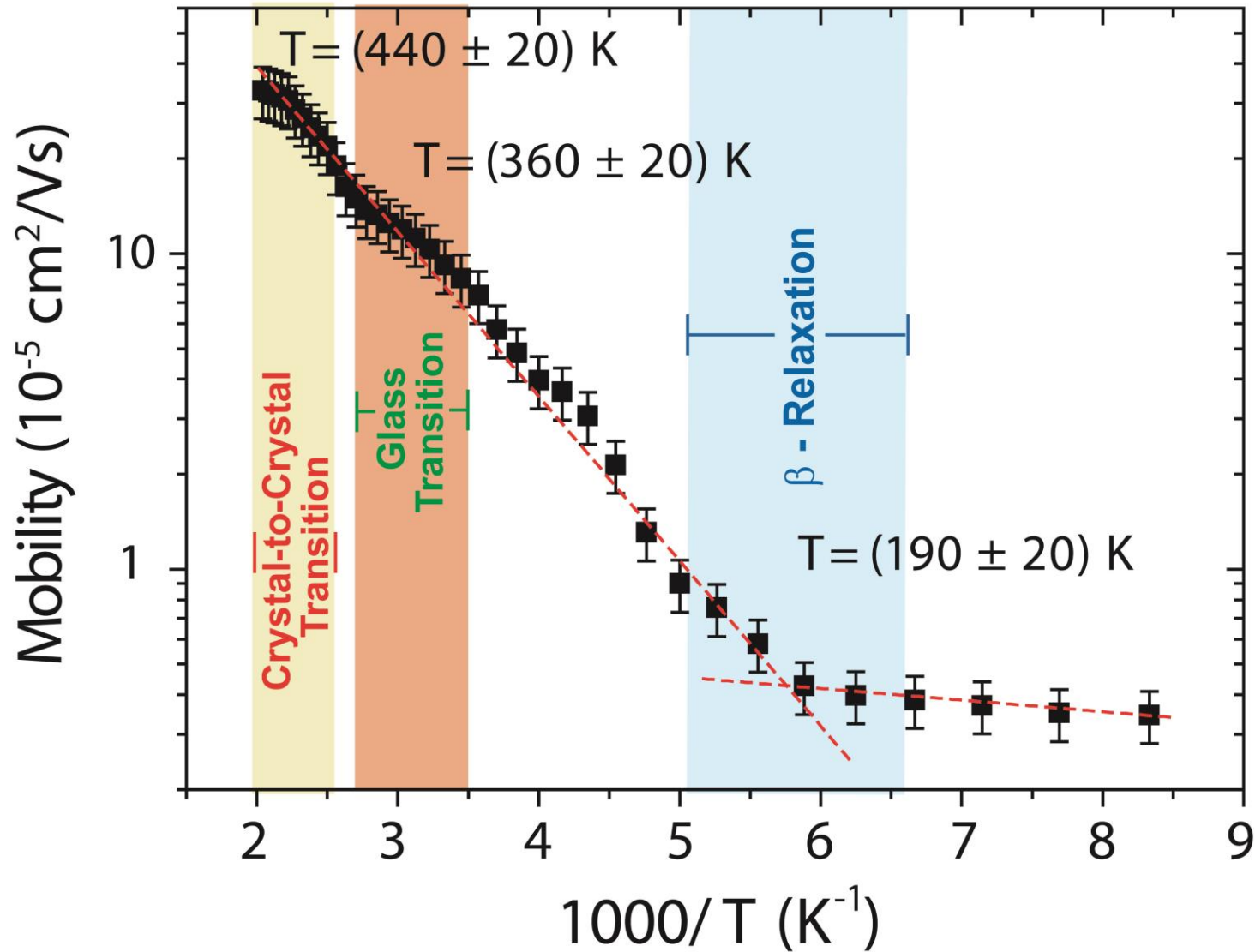
$$I(t) = I_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t + \varphi)$$

# Wide Angle X-ray Diffraction vs DSC

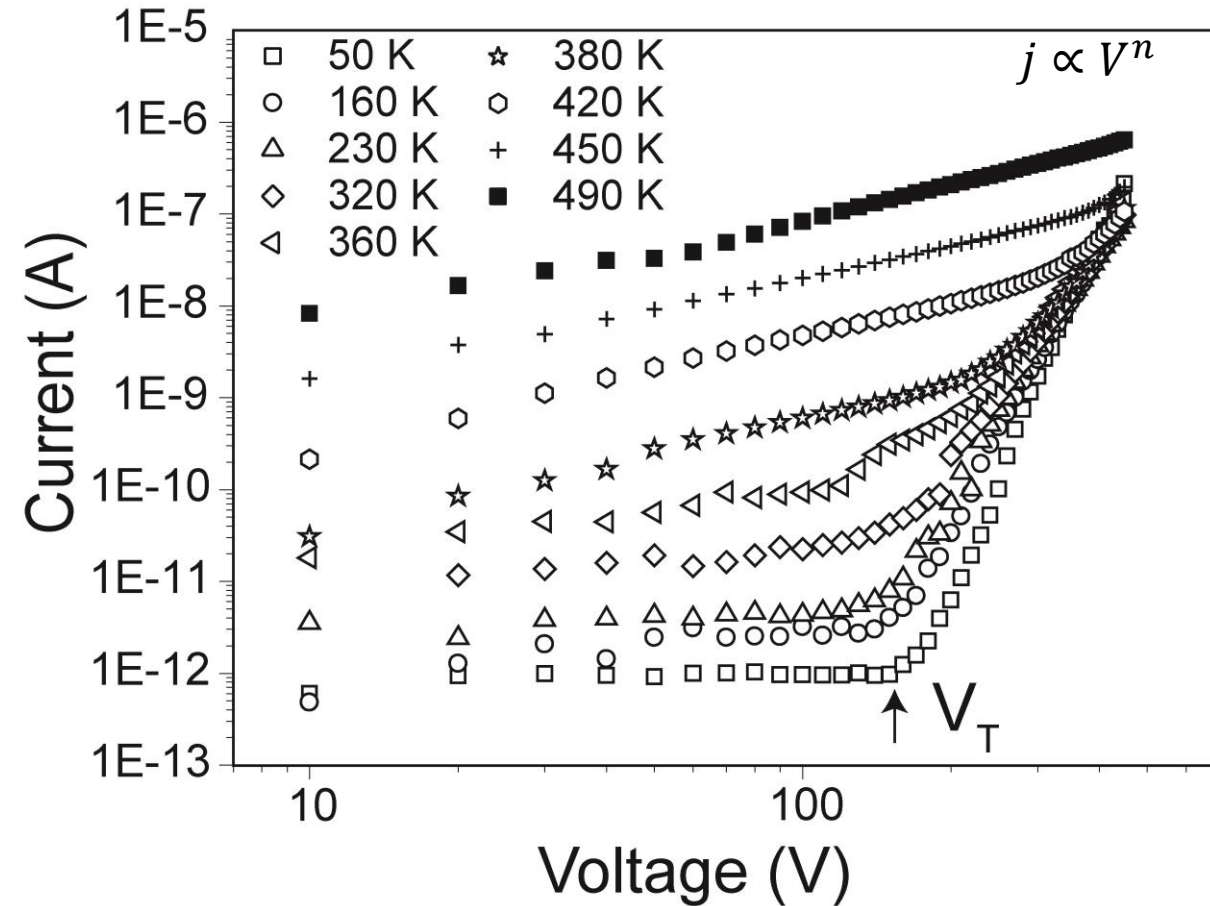
Nice correlations with DSC results:



# How to interpret the Electrical Data?



# Current vs Voltage Characteristics



Electrical Transport in Solids. With particular reference to organic semiconductors. By K. C. Kao and W. Hwang.

$$7 \leq n \leq 9$$

$\sigma$  : Width of the DOS

$H_d$  : the trap density

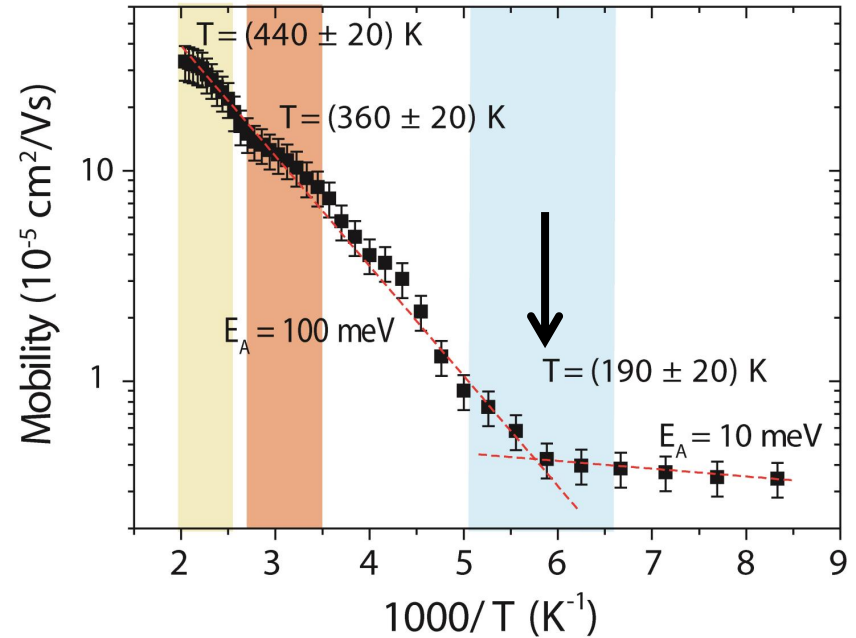
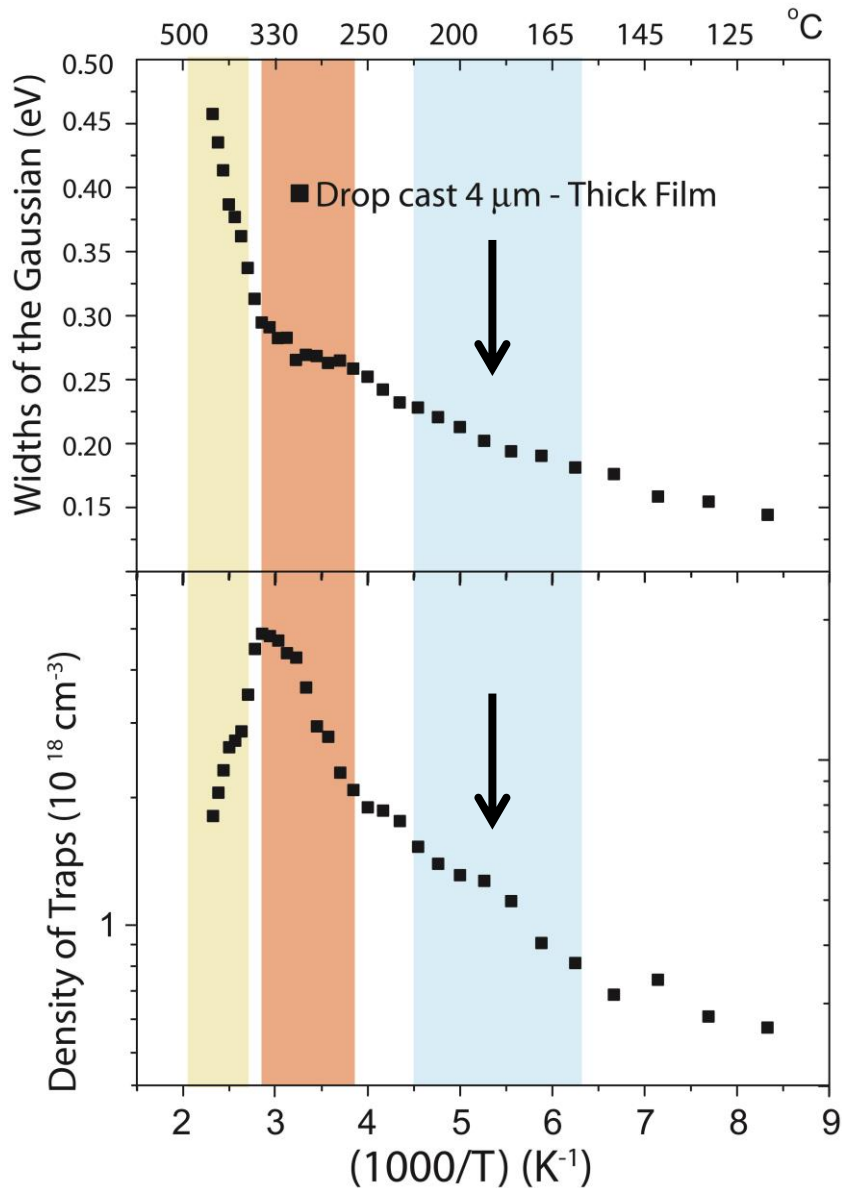
$$m = \left( 1 + \frac{2\pi\sigma^2}{16k^2T^2} \right)^{1/2}$$



The SCLC regime can be modeled quite well assuming a Gaussian distribution of traps within the forbidden band.

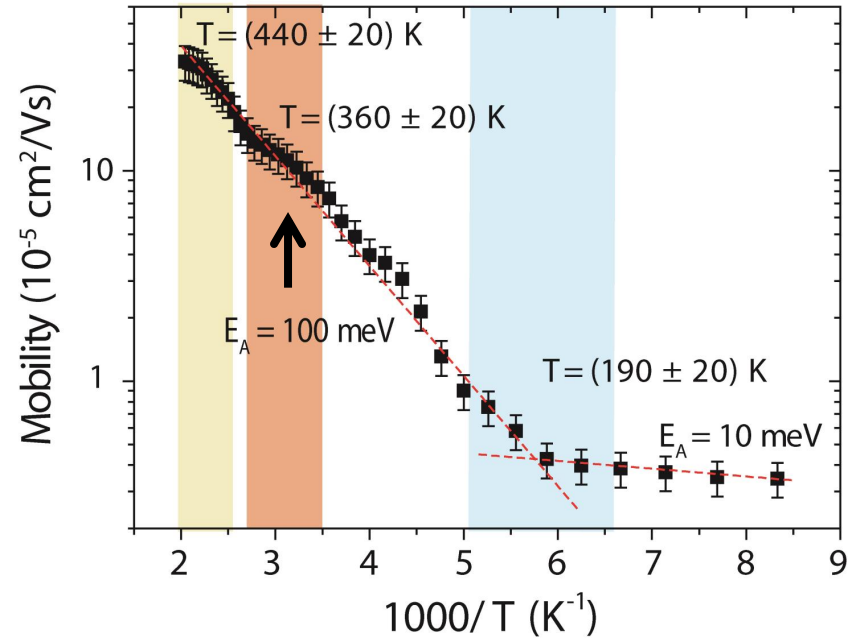
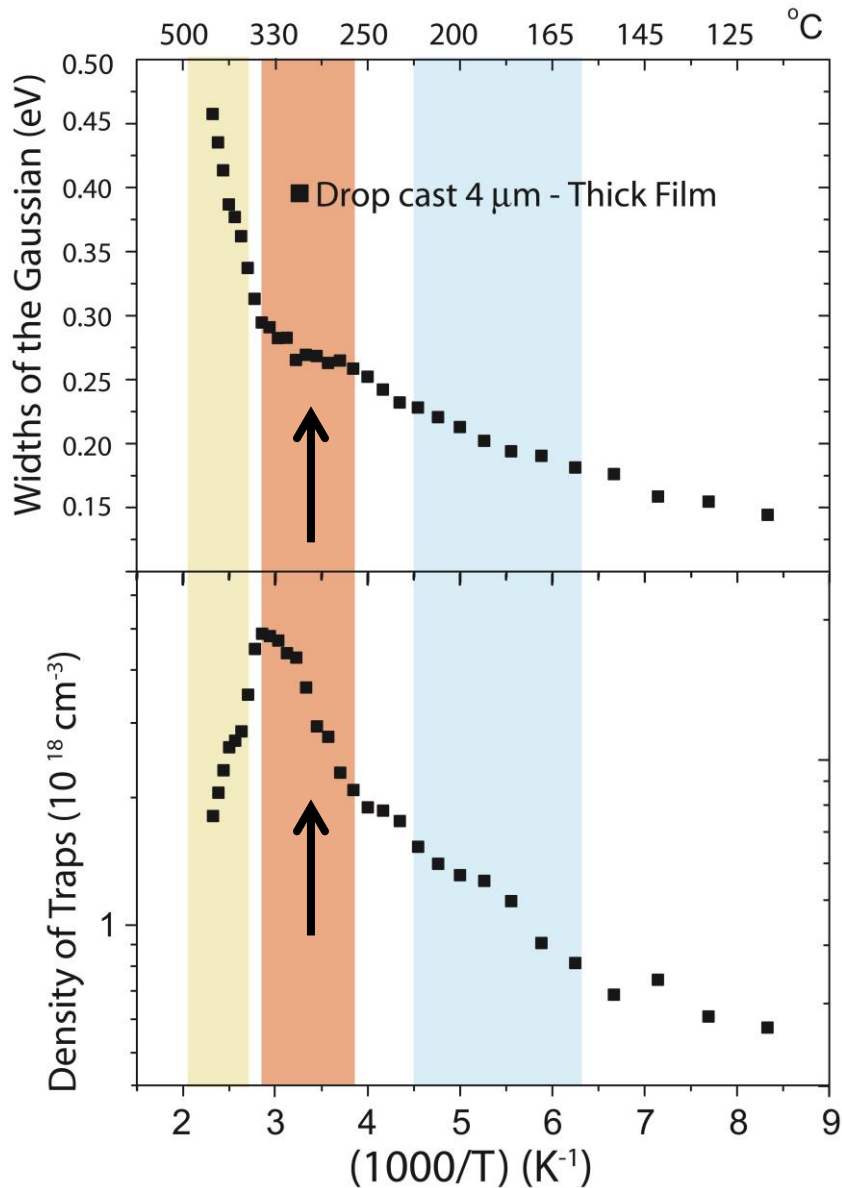
$$J = q^{1-m} \mu_p N_v \left( \frac{2m+1}{m+1} \right)^{m+1} \left( \frac{m}{m+1} \frac{\epsilon\epsilon_0}{H_d} \right)^m \frac{V^{m+1}}{L^{2m+1}}$$

# Modeled Current vs Voltage



**$\beta$  – Relaxation: Detrapping assisted by the side chain motion!**

# Modeled Current vs Voltage

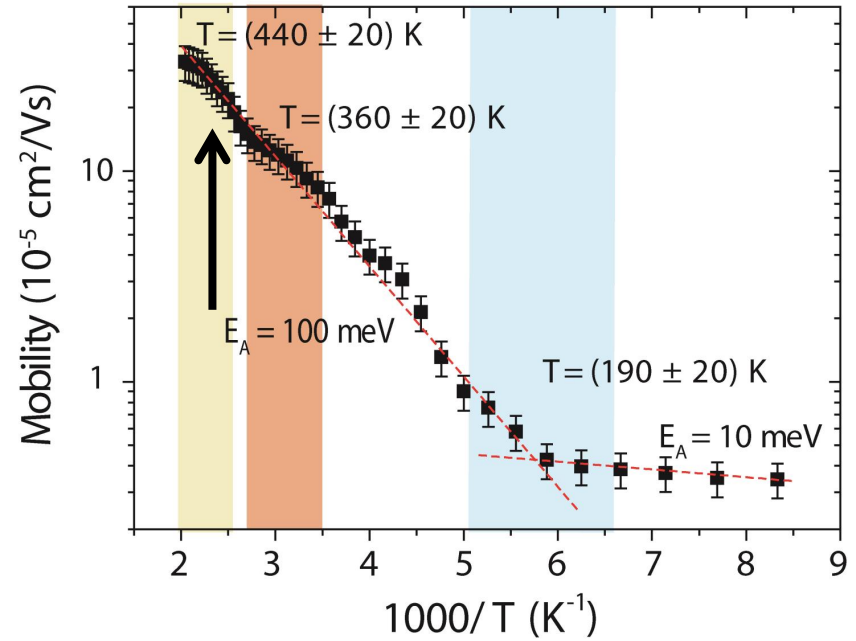
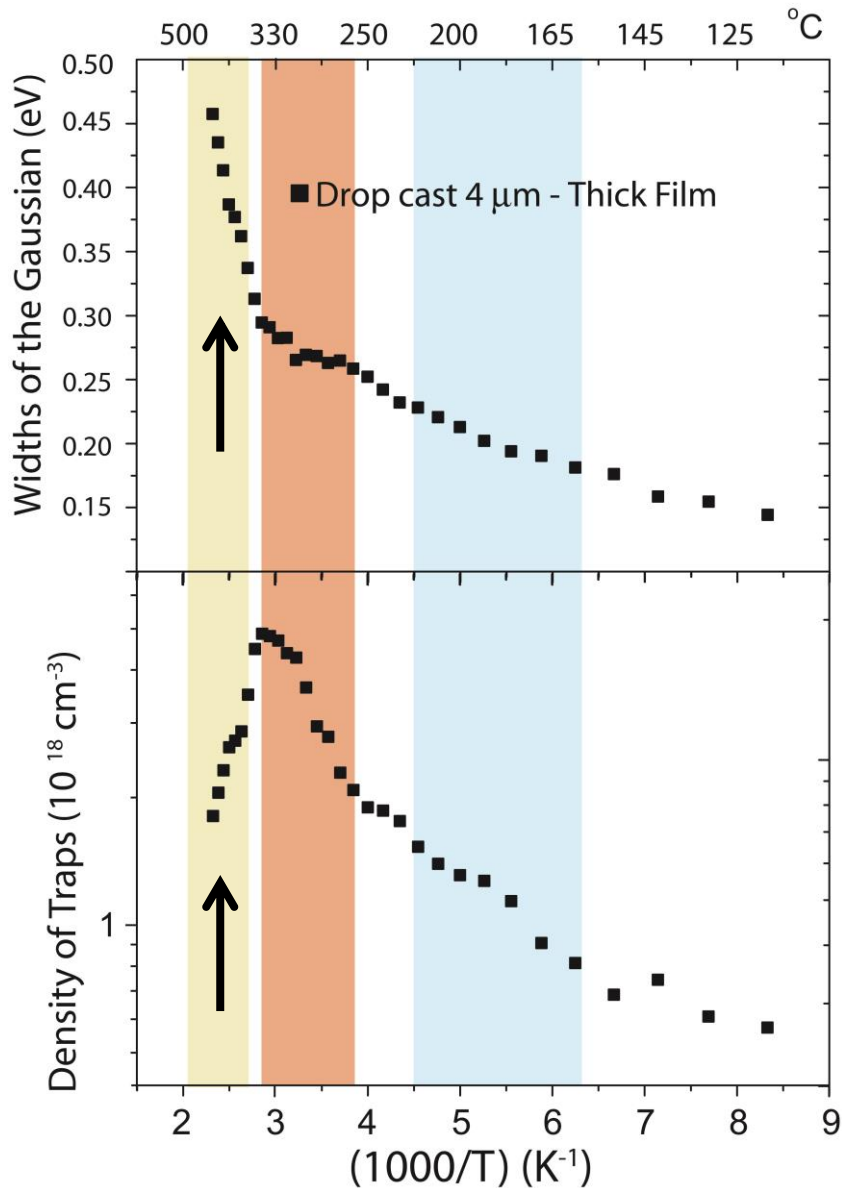


**Glass transition: Plateauing of the DOS and Trap-Density increasing!**

**Increasing torsion of the backbone due to  $T_g$  - New trap states!**



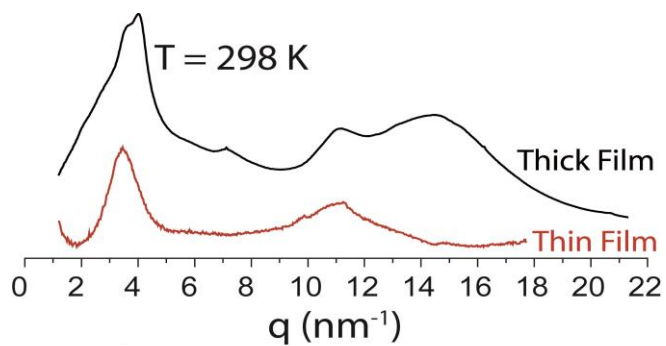
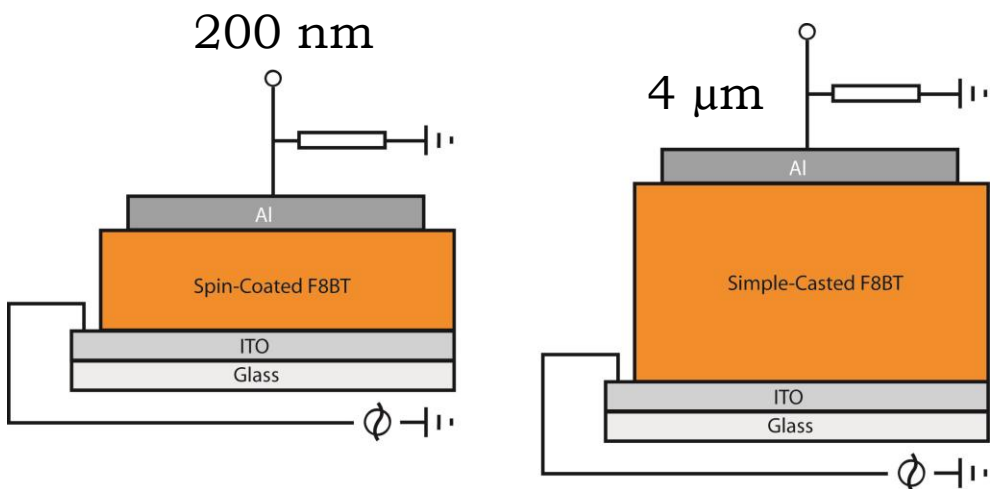
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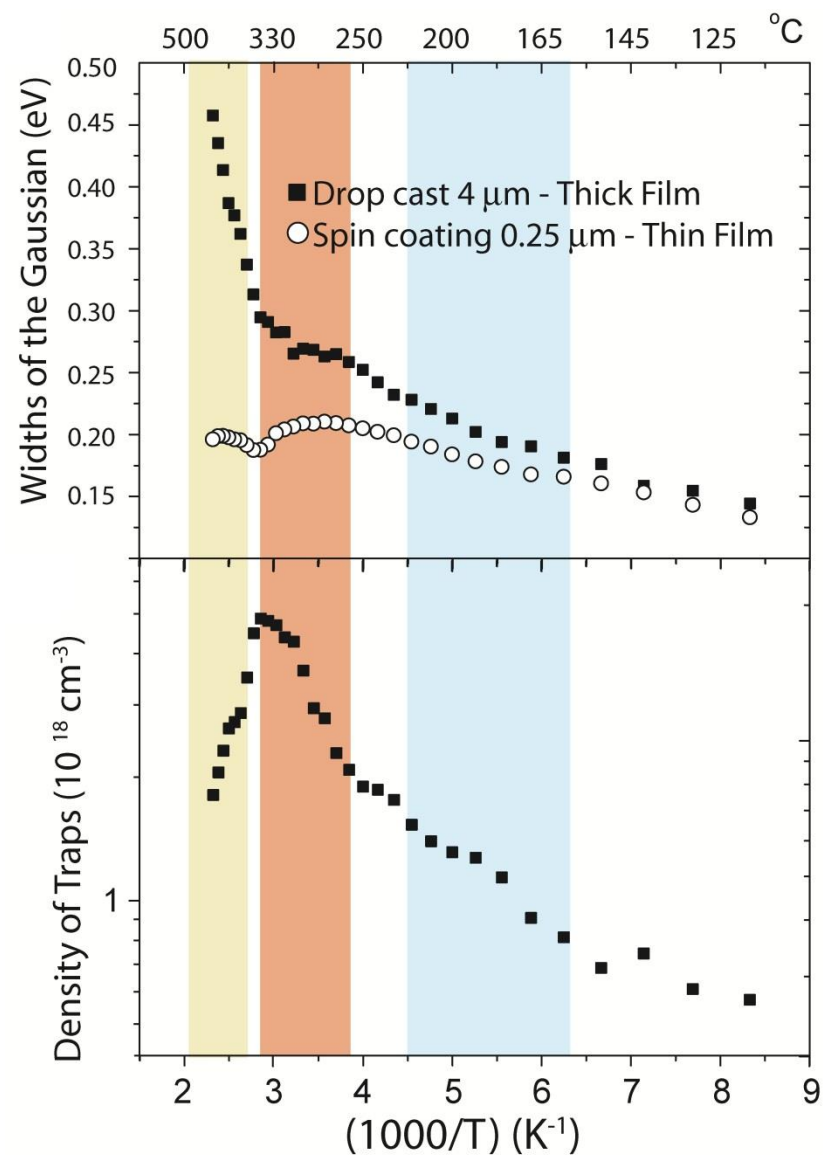
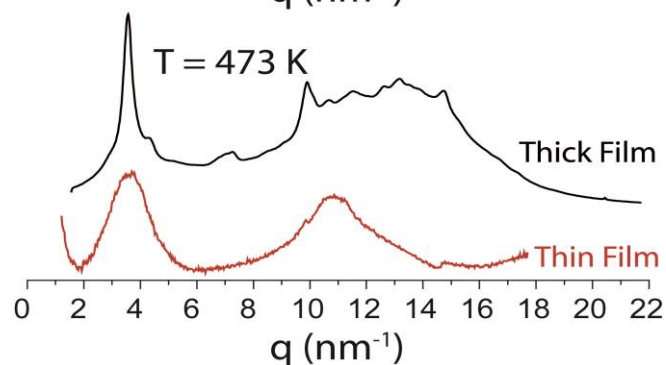
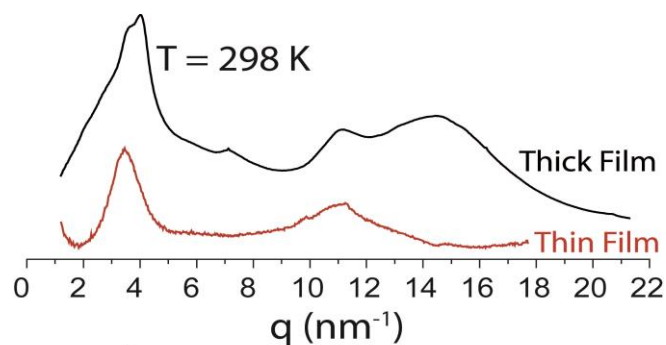
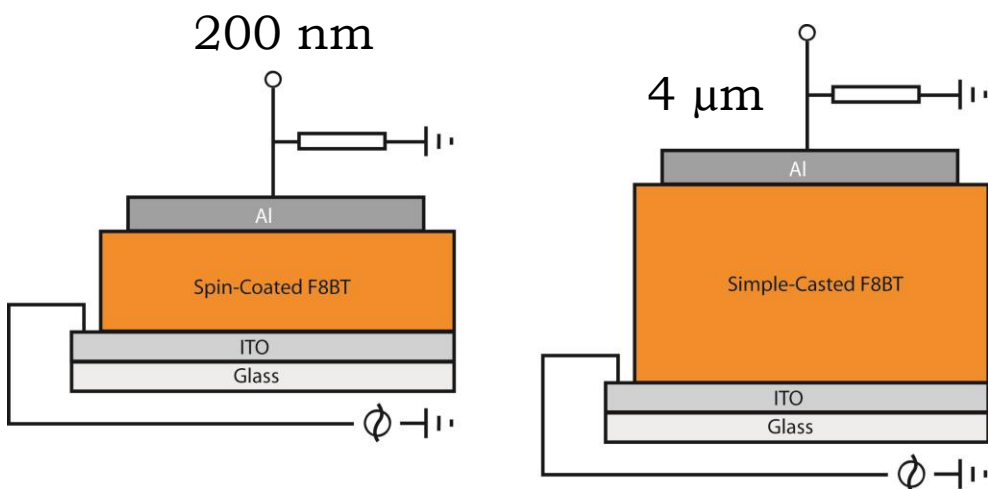
**Crystal-to-Crystal: Fast broadening of the DOS' widths; and decreasing of the density of traps.**

**Increasing of crystalline portion: Interface crystal/amorphous broaden the DOS .**

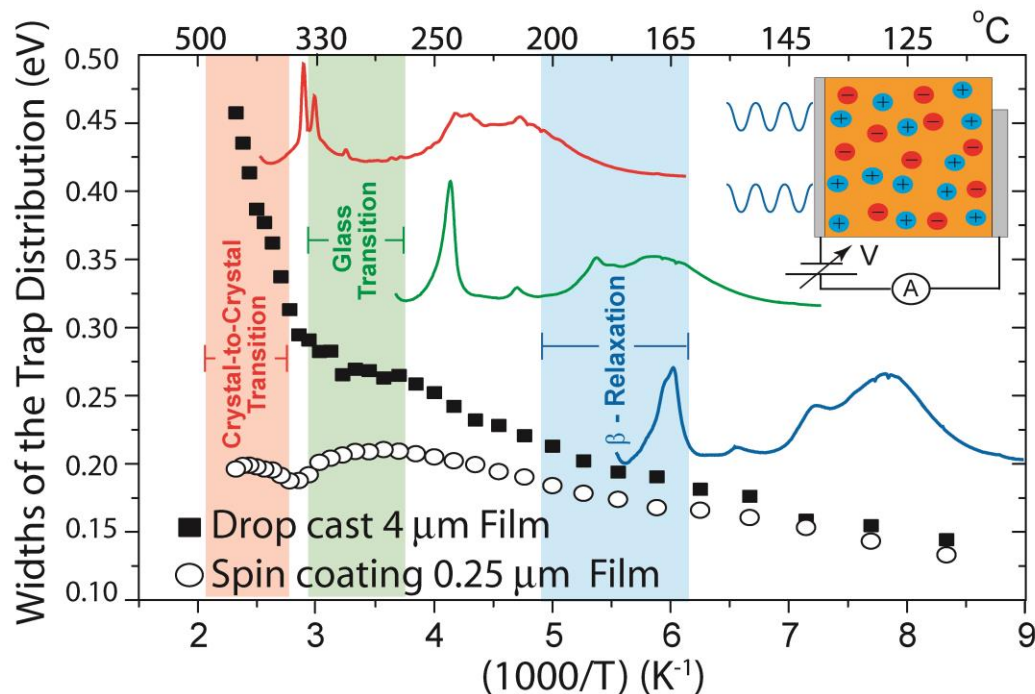
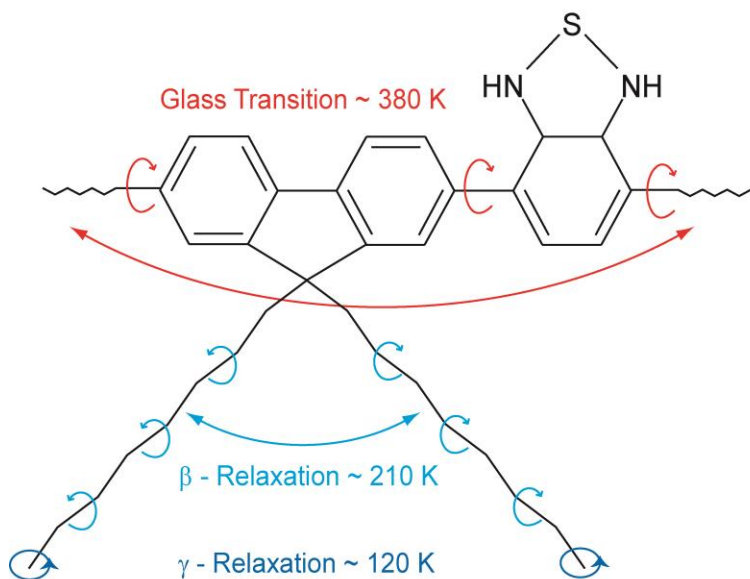
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# Conclusions



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