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# List of Symbols

Symbol	Description
А	Effective Device Area
В	Temperature Dependent Dispersion Parameter
$C_i  or  C_{ox}$	Capacitance Density
Dit	Interface Trap Density
e or q	Electronic Charge
E	Electric Field
EF	Fermi Energy Level
Ec	Conduction Band
EG	Energy Band Gap
Н	Planks constant
I <sub>DS</sub>	Drain Current
I <sub>DS</sub> (t)	Drain Current at time t
los(t)	Drain Current at time o
Iphoto	Drain Current under Illuminated State
Idark	Drain Current under Dark State
Ion	Maximum ON-State Current
IOFF	Minimum OFF-State Current
К	Boltzmann's Constant
L	Length of Transistor Channel
m	Slope of Square-root of Drain Current
Rbend	Bending Radius
μ	Field Effect Mobility
V	Drift Velocity
Т	Absolute Temperature
t	Transfer Integral
τ	Relaxation Time
t <sub>sub</sub>	Thickness of the Substrate
VGS	Gate to Source Voltage
Vds	Drain to Source Voltage
Vth	Threshold Voltage
<b>V</b> το	Initial Threshold Voltage
ΔVτ	Shift in Threshold Voltage
W	Width of Transistor Channel
Х	Electron Affnity
λ	Wavelength of Light Source Used
$\lambda_{peak}$	Peak Wavelength in the Emission Spectrum of the Light Source Used
$\mu_{\max}$	Maximum Mobility
$\mu_{\rm sat}$	Saturation Mobility
$\mu_{avg}$	Average Mobility
Φm	Metal Work Function

## List of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Full form
Au	Gold
Ag	Silver
AFM	Atomic Force Microscopy
ALD	Atomic Layer Deposition
AMOLED	Active Matrix Organic Light Emmiting Diode
BAMS	Bar-Assited Meniscus Shearing
BGTC	Bottom Gate Top Contact
BGBC	Bottom Gate Bottom Contact
BST	Barium Strontium Titanate
Cap.	Capacitance Density
CMOS	Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor
C-V	Capacitance-Voltage
Cu-PC	Copper(II) phthalocyanine
C8-BTBT	2.7-Dioctyl[1]benzothieno[3.2-b][1]benzothiophene
DiF-TES-ADT	2.8-Difluoro-5.11-bis(triethylsilylethynyl)anthradithiophene
DNTT	Dinaphtho[2.3- <i>h</i> :2'.3'-flthieno[3.2- <i>h</i> ]thiophene
DPP-CN	2.2'-I(2.5-dihexadecyl-3.6-dioxo-2.3.5.6-tetrahydropyrrolo[3.4-c]pyrrole-
	1.4divlidene)dithiene-5.2-divlidene]dimalononitrile
DPP6T	Diketopyrrolopyrrole-sexithiophene
DPTTA	meso-diphenyl tetrathia[22]annulene[2,1,2,1]
F16 CuPc	hexadecafl uorocopperphthalocyanine
F8T2	Poly(9.9-dioctylfluorene-alt-bithiophene)
FWHM	Full Width At Half Maximum
HfO <sub>2</sub>	Hafnium dioxide
HOMO	Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital
HPCPS	Polysiloxane-poly(vinyl alchohol)
ICCN	Ionic Conductive Cellulose Nanopapers
I-V	Current-Voltage
ITO	Indium Tin Oxide
KITE	Keithley Interactive Test Environment
LCD	Liquid Crystal Display
LUMO	Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbital
MIS	Metal Insulator Semiconductor
MOSFET	Metal Oxide Field-Effect Transistor
MEH-PPV	Poly[2-methoxy-5-(2-ethylbexyloxy)-1.4-phenylenevinylene]
NTCDI-F15	N. N-dipentadecafluorooctyl-1.4.5.8-naphthalene tetracarboxylic diimide
ODPA	octadecylphosphonic acid
OFET	Organic Field-Effect Transistor
OTFT	Organic Thin Film Transistor
OLED	Organic Light Emitting Diode
OSC	Organic Semiconductor
PAA	polyacrylic acid
PBTTT-C14	poly(2.5-bis(3-tetradecylthiophen-2yl(thieno[3.2-b]thiophene)
PDI8CN2	
PIDT-BT	Poly(indacenodithiophene-co-benzothiadiazole)
PLAA	Poly(L-lactic acid)
PS	Polystyrene
PVA	Polyvinyl alcohol

PVP	Poly(4-vinylphenol)
P(VDF-TrFE)	Poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene)
PEN	Polyethylene napthalate
PES	Polyestersulfone
PET	Polyethylene Terephthalate
PGMEA	Propylene Glycol Monomethyl Ether Acetate
P3HT	Poly(3-hexylthiophene-2,5-diyl)
PSS	poly(4-styrene sulphonic acid)
PTAA	Poly[bis(4-phenyl)(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)amine]
PMMA	Poly(methylmethacrylate)
P-Ams	Poly(a-methylstyrene)
PTCDI-C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>27</sub>	N,N'-ditridecyl-3,4,9,10-perylenetetracarboxylic diimide
PQT-12	Poly(3,3 <sup>m</sup> -didodecylquaterthiophene)
PVC	Poly (vinly cinnamate)
PVN	Poly(2-vinylnapthalene)
RFID	Radio Frequency Identification
SAM	Self Assembled Monolayer
Si	Silicon
SiO <sub>2</sub>	Silicon dioxide
SEM	Scanning Electron Microscopy
SCS	Semiconductor Characterization System
SMU	Source Measuring Unit
SS	Sub-threshold Slope
STO	Strontium titanate
SVA	Solvent Vapor Annealing
TCNQ	Tetracyanoquinodimethane
TDMAH	Tetrakis(dimethylamino)hafnium
TES-ADT	5,11-Bis(triethylsilylethynyl)anthradithiophene
TFTs	Thin Film Transistors
TGTC	Top Gate Top Contact
TGBC	Top Gate Bottom Contact
TiO <sub>2</sub>	Titanium dioxide
TIPS-	6,13-Bis(triisopropylsilylethynyl)pentacene
pentacene	
TIPS-pen.	TIPS-pentacene
UV	Ultra-Violet
XRD	X-ray Diffraction
$ZrO_2$	Zirconium dioxide

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