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Topic for a Bachelor Thesis

",Linking Phase Transitions of Organic Materials to their respective electronic Organic-Thin-Film transistor response "

In recent years, new optoelectronic devices based on organic thin films have entered the market. Organic light emitting diodes (OLED), organic thin film transistors (OTFT) and organic solar cells (OSC) are the most prominent applications known for unique properties including flexibility and transparency. However, there are still challenges to improve the performance and efficiency of organic electronics. Therefore, it is important to get a fundamental understanding of the physical processes regarding the boundary between the anorganic contact and the organic functional layer.

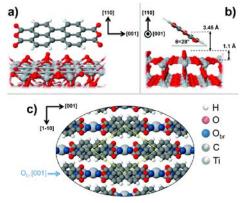


Fig 1: Growth modes of an organic molecule

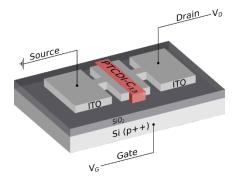


Fig 2: Sketch of an organic thin film transistor as will be used in the scope of the thesis.

(red in Figure 2).

Within the scope of the present bachelor thesis, temperature-dependent changes in crystal structure of organic materials and thin films will be investigated. The films will be prepared and their change in phase will be analyzed with the measurement technique of differential scanning calorimetry (DSC). The potential change in electronic properties are characterized with in-situ (life) measurements upon heating of an organic thin film transistor. Therefore, different organic layers and OTFTs will be processed from vacuum deposition. The starting point will be the investigation of the material PTCDI-C13

Afterwards the electrical properties of the transistor are measured and will be compared to the phase transitions observed by the DSC.

What you should contribute:

- Interest and enthusiasm for scientific research
- Interest in learning the necessary tools to process thin films in vacuum systems
- Ability to work in a team
- Experimental skills
- Basic knowledge in data analysis

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