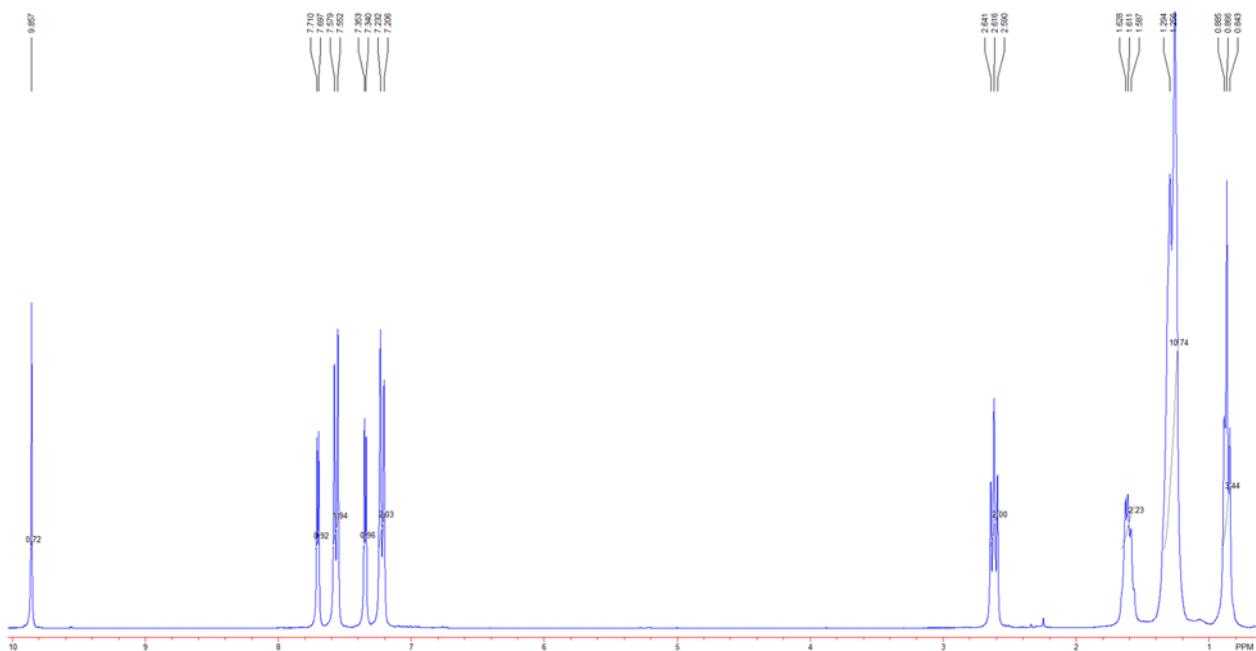


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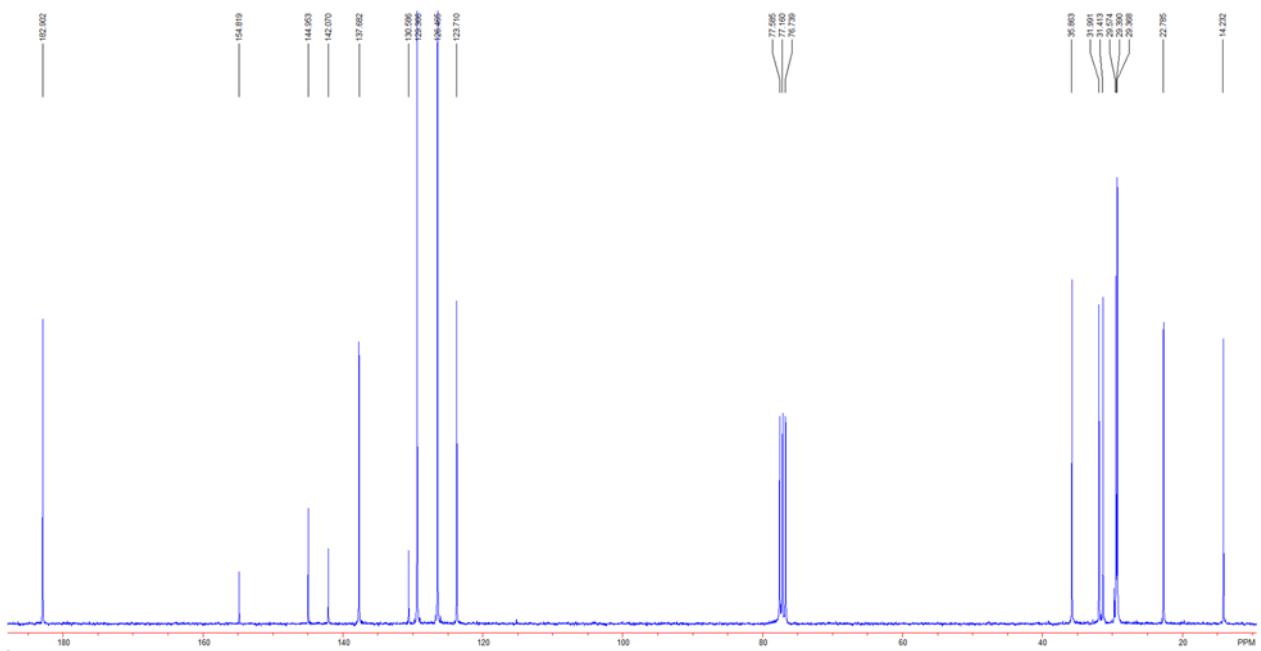
# Synthetic approach for the control of self-doping in luminescent organic semiconductor

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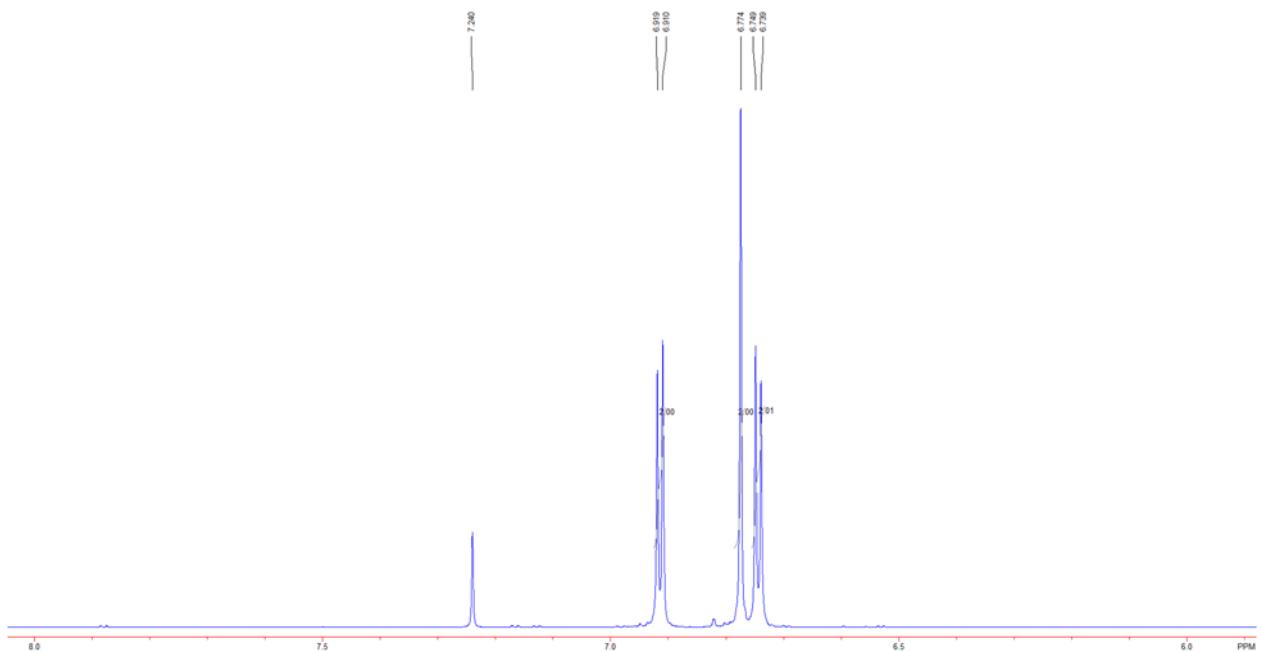
## 1. Characterization



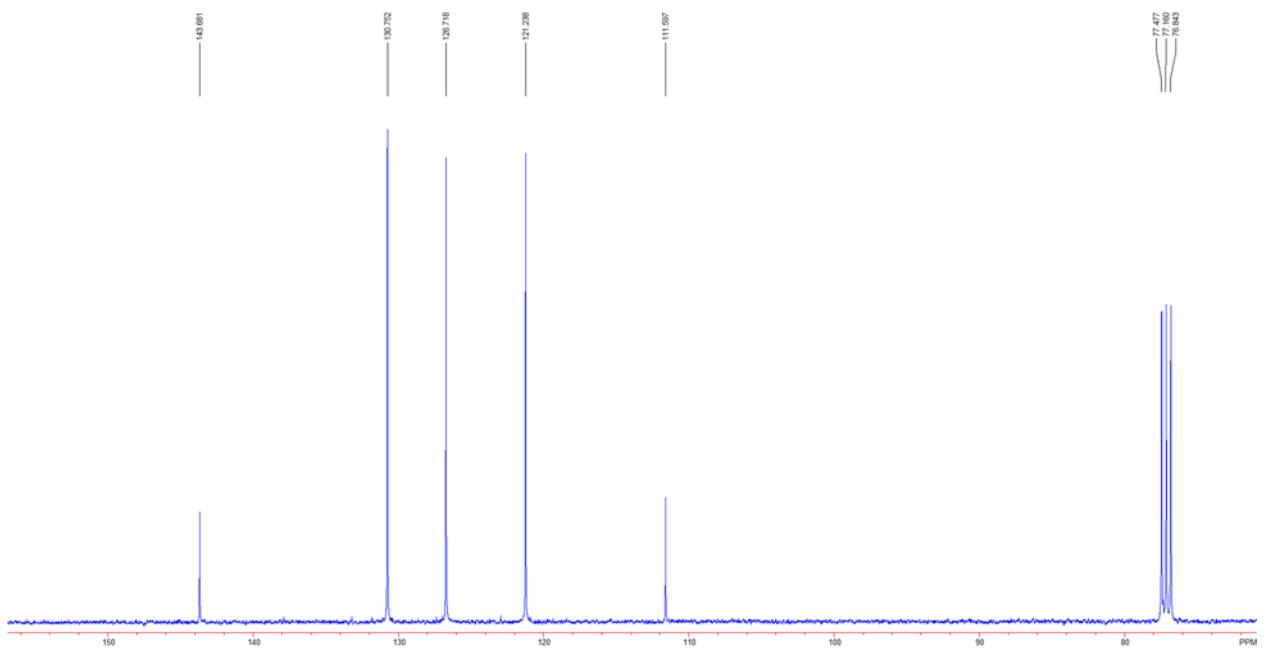
**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



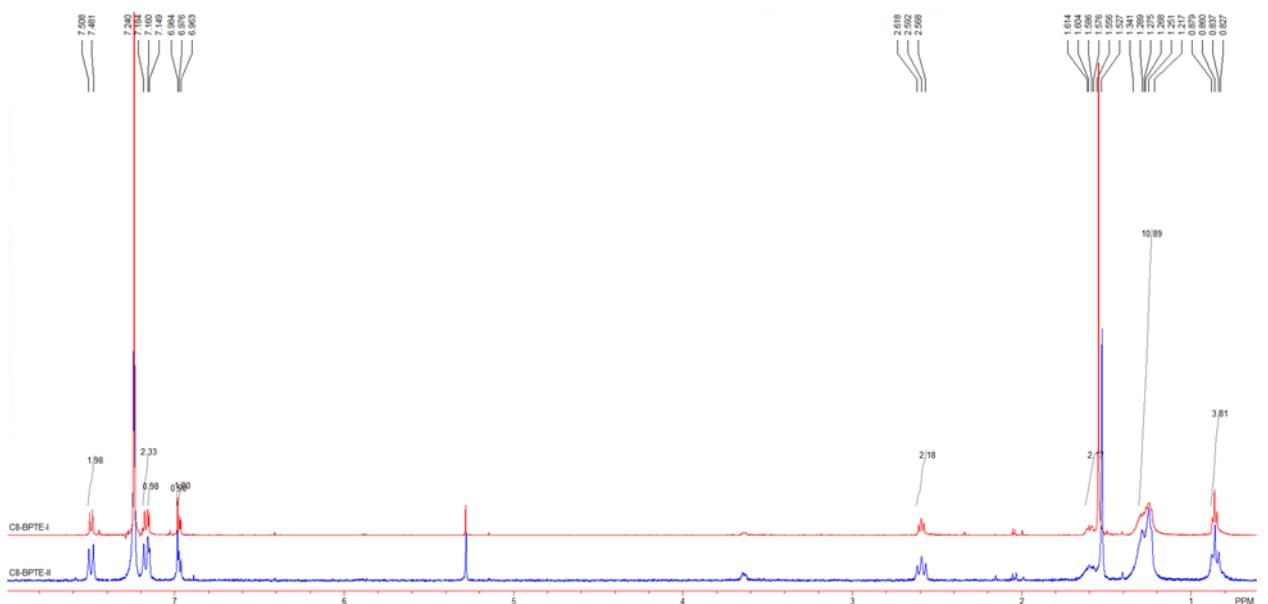
**Figure S2.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound 3 in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



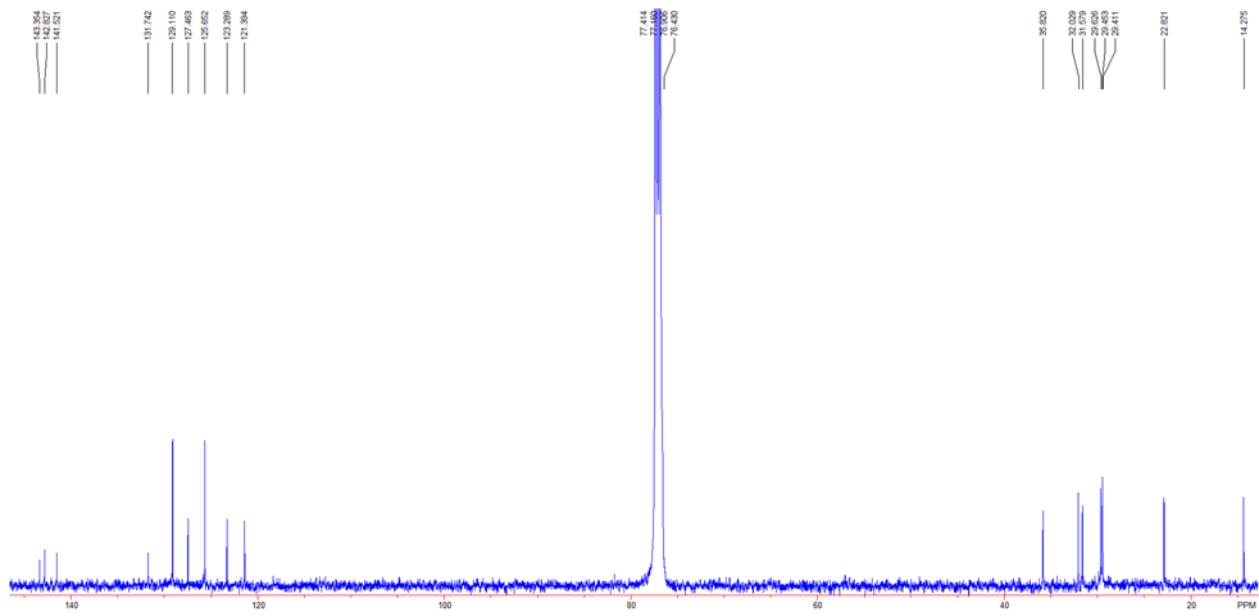
**Figure S3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound 6 in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Figure S4.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **6** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Figure S5.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of compounds **C8-BPTE-I** (red) and **C8-BPTE-II** (blue) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

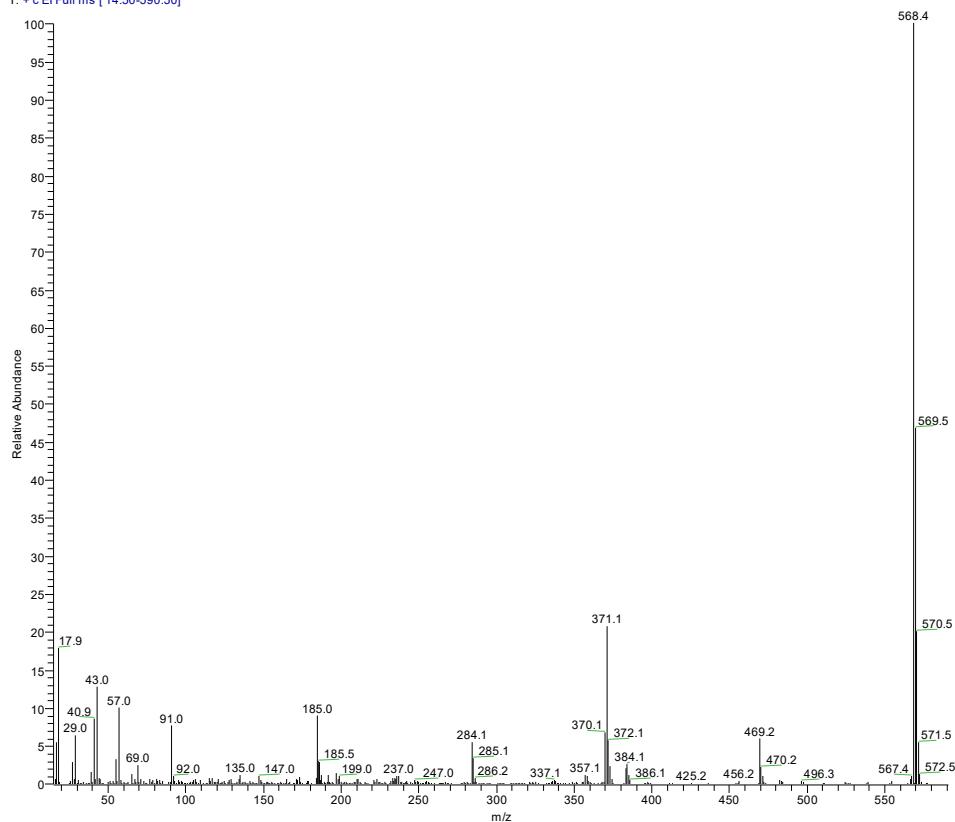


**Figure S6.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **C8-BPTE** (batch I) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



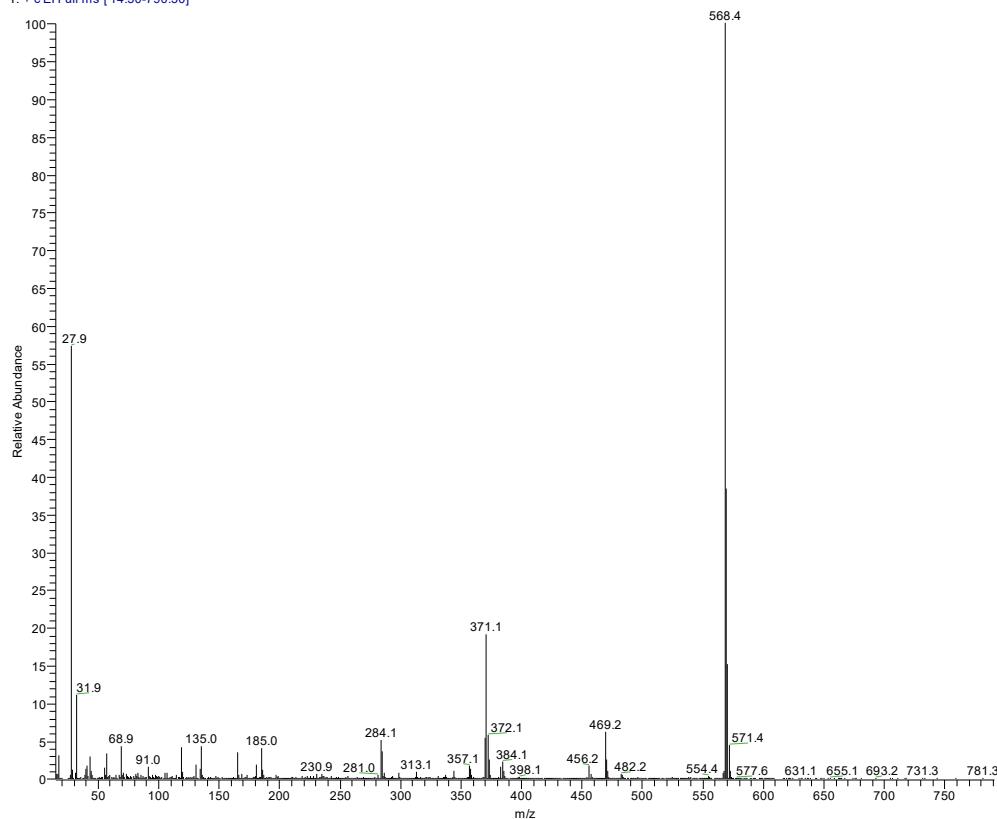
**Figure S7.** IR spectra of compounds C8-BPTE-I (red) and C8-BPTE-II (blue) in KBr pellets.

K-812\_220304174503 #2 RT: 0.09 AV: 1 NL: 4.14E6  
T: + c El Full ms [ 14.50-590.50]



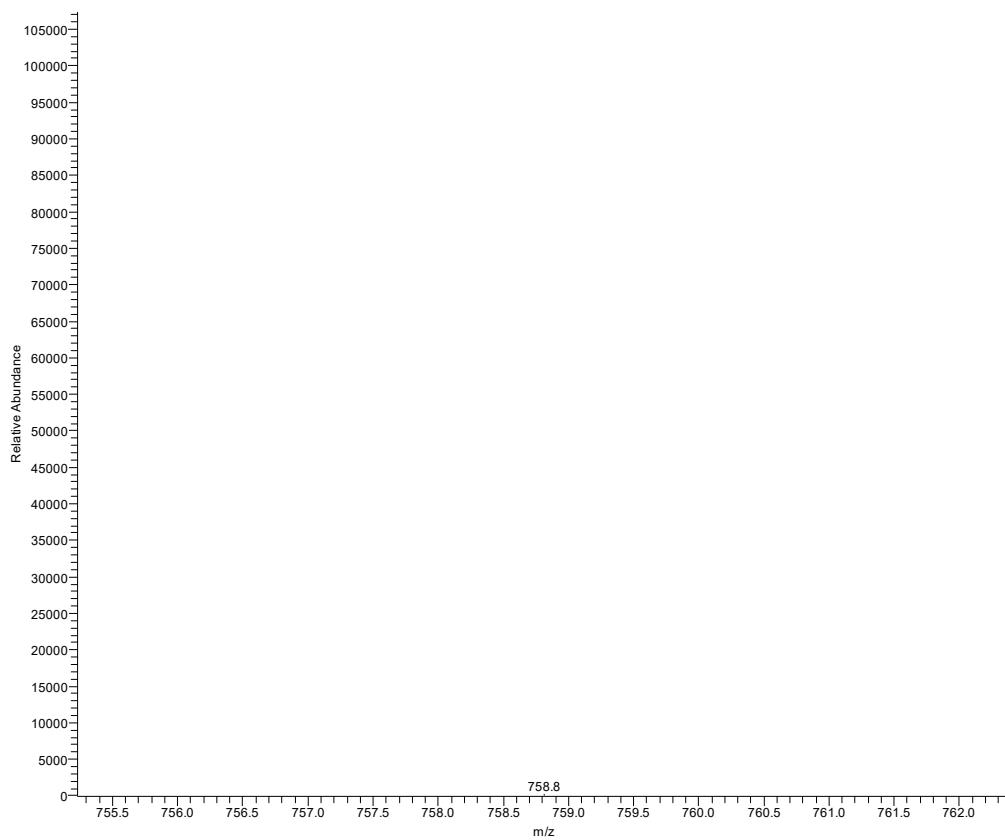
**Figure S8.** HRMS spectrum of compound C8-BPTE (batch I).

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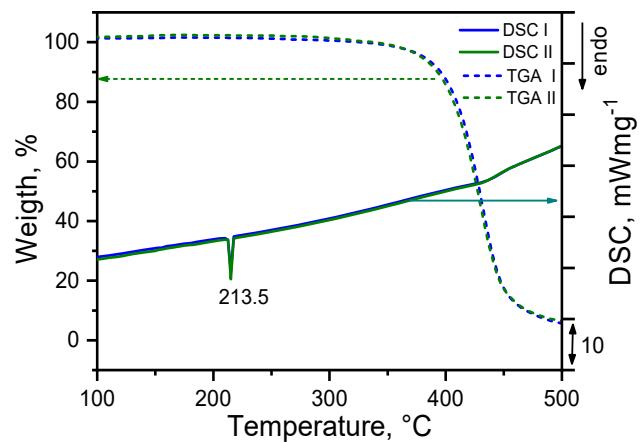


**Figure S9.** HRMS spectrum of compound C8-BPTE (batch II, full scale). Note that high mass region along with C8-BPTET signal (Figure S10) contains minor peaks 781, 731, 693, 655, 631 and some others which may be assigned to the ions of standard used for MS (perfluorokerosene).

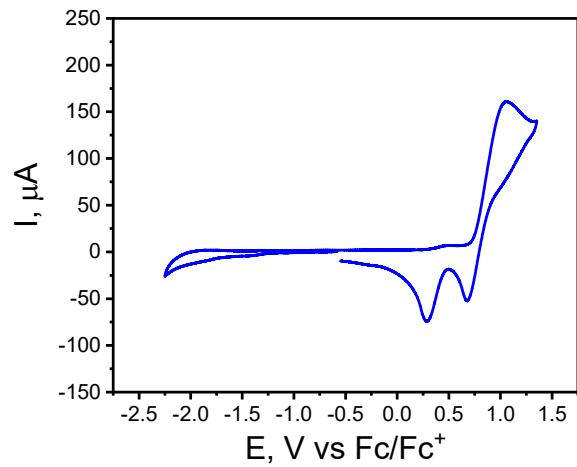
K-814a #75 RT: 6.71 AV: 1 NL: 8.37E2  
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**Figure S10.** HRMS spectrum of compound C8-BPTE (batch II, zoom of high-mass region).



**Figure S11.** Thermal gravimetric and differential scanning calorimetry analyses of C8-BPTE batch I (blue) and batch II (olive) in He atmosphere.



**Figure S12.** Cyclic voltammogram of C8-BPTE (batch I) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.

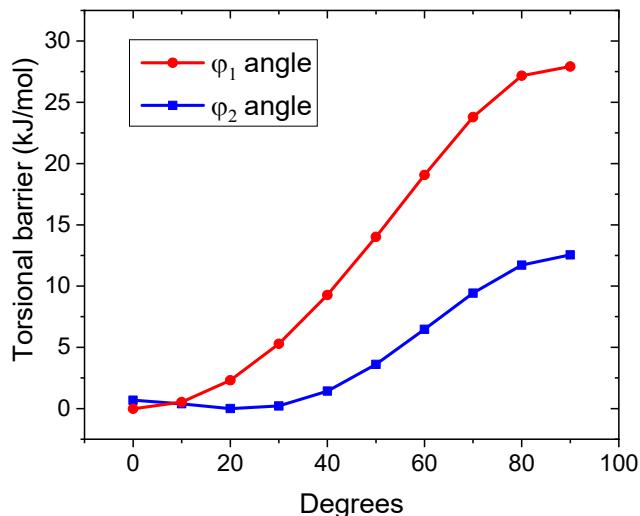
## 2. Quantum chemistry calculations

**Table S1.** Energy of HOMO (in eV) calculated for optimized geometry of Me-BPTE in gas phase utilizing various DFT functionals and basis sets. Percentage value in the parenthesis represents relative discrepancy between calculated and experimentally estimated value of HOMO energy.

Functional\Basis	6-31+G*	6-311++G**	Def2-TZVP
B3LYP[GD3BJ]	-5.08 (8.3%)	-5.14 (7.2%)	-5.09 (8.1%)
M06-2X	-6.29 (-13.5%)	-6.34 (-14.4%)	-6.29 (-13.5%)
$\omega$ B97-X[D]	-6.89 (-24.4%)	-6.97 (-25.8%)	-6.92 (-24.9%)

**Table S2.** Energy of electron gap (in eV) calculated for optimized geometry of Me-BPTE in the gas phase utilizing various DFT functionals and basis sets. Percentage value in the parenthesis represents relative discrepancy between calculated and experimentally measured value of electron gap.

Functional\Basis	6-31+G*	6-311++G**	Def2-TZVP
B3LYP[GD3BJ]	2.96 (4.6%)	2.99 (5.6%)	3.01 (6.4%)
M06-2X	5.03 (77.7%)	5.06 (78.8%)	5.08 (79.5%)
$\omega$ B97-X[D]	6.59 (132.9%)	6.62 (133.9%)	6.63 (134.3%)



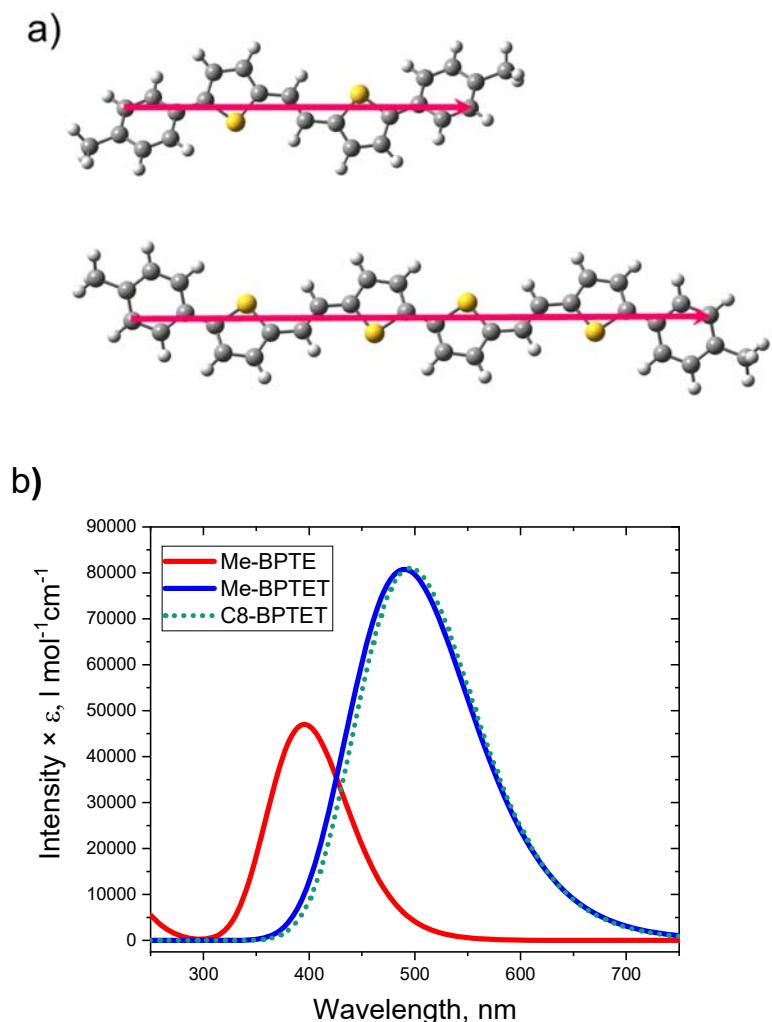
**Figure S13.** Relaxed potential energy surface of Me-BPTE upon rotation around  $\varphi_1$  (blue line and squares) and  $\varphi_2$  (red line and circles) dihedral angles.

**Table S3.** Absorption energy of  $S_0 \rightarrow S_{1v}$  transition (in nm) calculated for Me-BPTE utilizing various TD-DFT functionals and basis sets. Percentage value in the parenthesis represents relative discrepancy between calculated and experimentally measured value of absorption energy.

Functional\Basis	Def2-TZVP	6-31+G*	6-311++G**
PBE0	430 (4.9%)	429 (4.6%)	431 (5.1%)
B3LYP	443 (7.7%)	443 (7.6%)	445 (8.0%)
CAM-B3LYP	397 (-3.0%)	395 (-3.4%)	398 (-2.9%)
LC- $\omega$ PBE	364 (-12.3%)	361 (-13.2%)	363 (-12.6%)
M05	432 (5.4%)	433 (5.5%)	434 (5.7%)
TPSSh	452 (9.6%)	452 (9.5%)	454 (9.8%)
X3LYP	440 (7.1%)	440 (7.1%)	442 (7.5%)

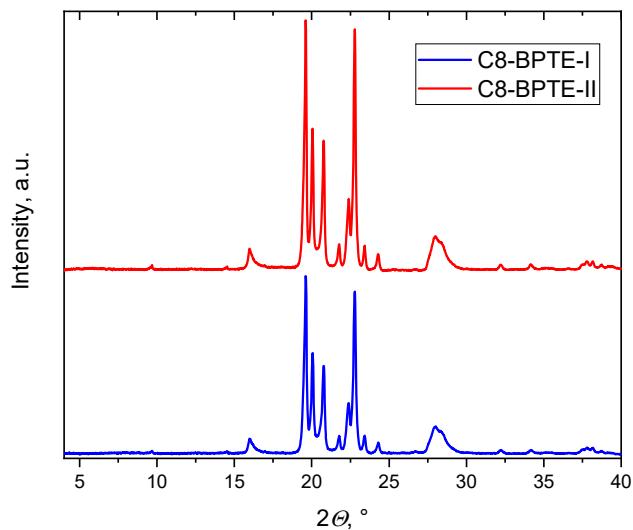
**Table S4.** Emission energy of  $S_{1r} \rightarrow S_0$  transition (in nm) calculated for Me-BPTE utilizing various TD-DFT functionals and basis sets. Percentage value in the parenthesis represents relative discrepancy between calculated and experimentally measured value of emission energy (brightest emission band).

Functional\Basis	6-31+G*	6-311++G**	Def2-TZVP
B3LYP	649 (-25.1%)	652 (-25.4%)	654 (-25.6%)
CAM-B3LYP	582 (-16.6%)	586 (-17.1%)	586 (-17.0%)
PBE0	513 (-5.3%)	516 (-5.8%)	514 (-5.5%)
LC- $\omega$ PBE	497 (-2.2%)	501 (-3.0%)	499 (-2.6%)



**Figure S14.** (a) Transition dipole moment (red arrow) of Me-BPTE and Me-BPTET depicted ontop of optimized molecular structure; (b) convoluted optical absorption spectra of Me-BPTE (red line), Me-BPTET (blue line) and C8-BPTET (green dotted line).

### 3. X-ray data

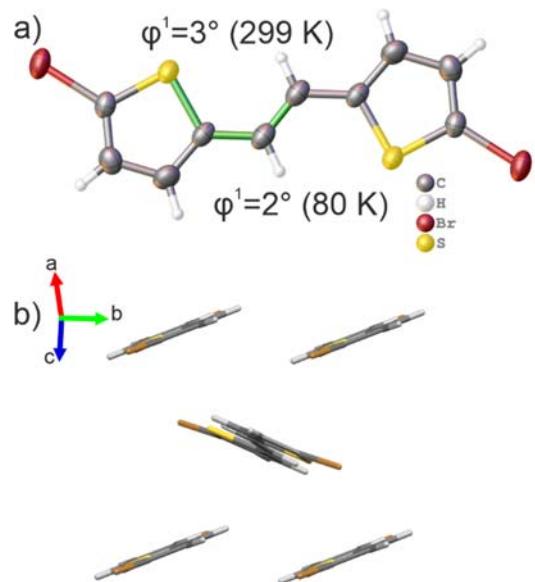


**Figure S15.** Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of C8-BPTE at ambient temperature.

**Table S5.** Crystallographic, structural data and experimental details for (E)-1,2-bis(5-bromothiophen-2-yl)ethene and C8-BPTE.

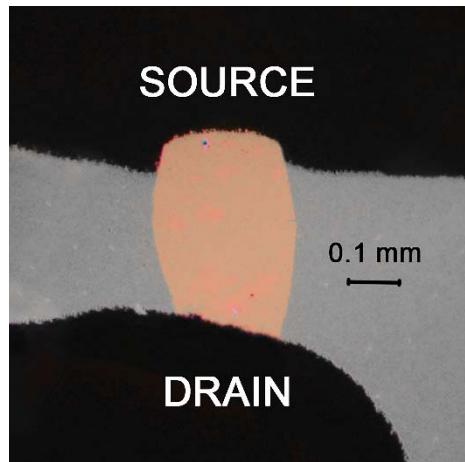
Compound	(E)-1,2-bis(5-bromothiophen-2-yl)ethene		C8-BPTE
Empirical formula	$C_{10}H_6Br_2S_2$		$C_{76}H_{92}S$
Molecular weight	350.09		568.88
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$		Monoclinic, $C2/m$
Temperature, K	80(3)	299	80(3)
Deposition number	20220319	2166501	20220401
$a, b, c$ (Å)	13.1360(7), 5.9520(3), 7.3714(4)	13.186 (3), 6.0106 (11), 7.5450 (15)	7.9829(13), 5.3716(10), 35.817(6)
$\beta$ (°)	102.414(2)	102.762 (5)	92.535(6)
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	562.86(5)	583.23 (19)	1534.4(5)
Z	2	2	2
$D_{\text{calcd.}}$ (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	2.066	1.994	1.231
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	7.53	7.26	0.20
Crystal size (mm)	$0.14 \times 0.09 \times 0.05$		$0.27 \times 0.14 \times 0.005$
No. of measured, independent and	7682, 2140, 2008		4186, 1105, 945
			8325, 1524, 1359

observed [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ] reflections			
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.026	0.051	0.056
Range of h, k, l	-20 $\leq$ h $\leq$ 17, -9 $\leq$ k $\leq$ 9, -10 $\leq$ l $\leq$ 11	-16 $\leq$ h $\leq$ 16, -6 $\leq$ k $\leq$ 7, -9 $\leq$ l $\leq$ 9	-9 $\leq$ h $\leq$ 9, -6 $\leq$ k $\leq$ 6, -42 $\leq$ l $\leq$ 42
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$ , $wR(F^2), S$	0.016, 0.040, 1.09	0.027, 0.072, 1.05	0.121, 0.394, 1.26
No. of parameters	64	64	147
No. of restraints	0	0	167
$\Delta \rho_{\text{max}}, \Delta \rho_{\text{min}} (\text{e } \text{\AA}^{-3})$	0.44/-0.39	0.30/-0.63	0.56/-0.75

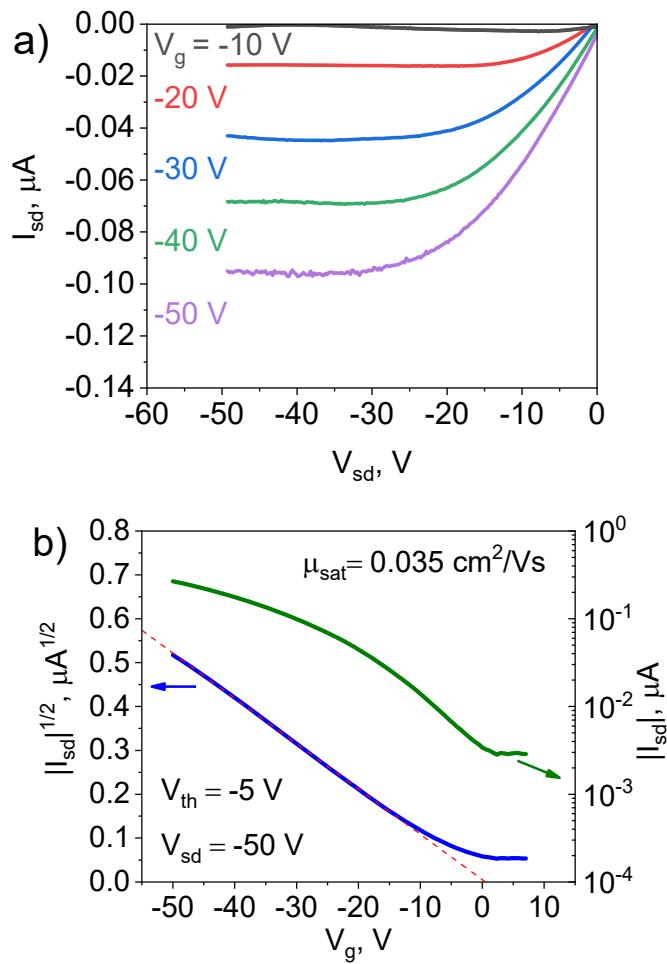


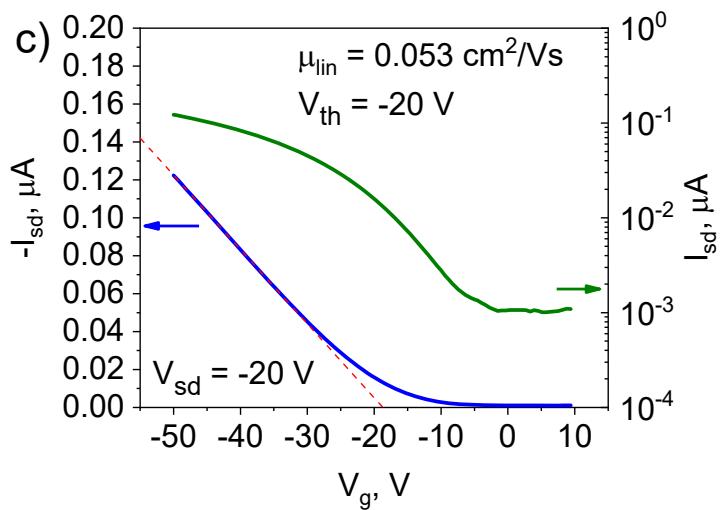
**Figure S16.** Molecular structure with torsional angle  $\varphi^1$  at 299 K and 80 K (a) and fragment of crystal structure (b) of (E)-1,2-bis(5-bromothiophen-2-yl)ethene. The arrows indicate the orientation of crystallographic axes.

#### 4. OFET Data



**Figure S17.** Optical image of C8-BPTE OFET.



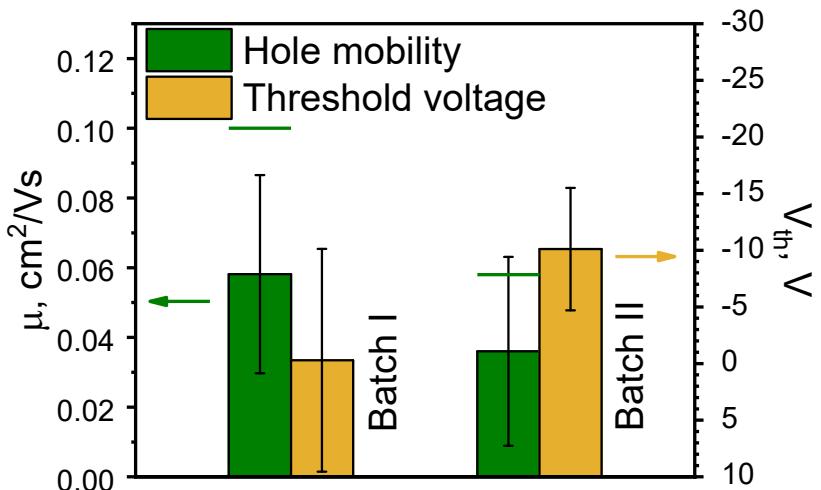


**Figure S18.** Output (a) and transfer characteristics in saturation (b) and linear (c) regimes of C8-BPTE (batch II) single crystal OFET.

**Table S6.** Charge transport parameters of C8-BPTE (Batch I and Batch II) OFETs.

	Sample	W/L	$\mu_{\text{sat}}$ , $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$	$V^{\text{th}}_{\text{sat}}$ , V	$\mu_{\text{lin}}$ , $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$	$V^{\text{th}}_{\text{lin}}$ , V
Batch I	1.	0.87	0.059	0	0.033	-28
	2.	0.95	0.08	-4	0.067	-21
	3.	0.62	0.051	-3	0.053	-20
	4.	0.87	0.021	0	0.019	-20
	5.	1.1	0.031	-8	0.032	-29
	6.	1	0.073	-3	0.063	-31
	7.	1.07	0.023	-7	0.019	-20
	8.	0.81	0.029	-3	0.028	-19
	9.	0.82	0.053	-6	0.048	-18
	10.	4.29	0.029	4	0.032	-17
	11.	1.51	0.095	15	0.089	0
	12.	0.61	0.078	-12	0.085	-23
	13.	1.97	0.044	24	0.041	-7
	14.	0.45	0.094	16	0.097	-4
	15.	0.77	0.032	-10	0.023	-18

	16.	0.59	0.1	-6	0.087	-17
	17.	0.37	0.096	-2	0.08	-12
	Average		$0.058 \pm 0.028$	$-0.3 \pm 9.8$	$0.053 \pm 0.027$	$-17.9 \pm 8.4$
Batch II	1.	0.7	0.035	-5	0.032	-20
	2.	0.53	0.021	-6	0.019	-20
	3.	0.78	0.057	-19	0.056	-31
	4.	0.31	0.058	-4	0.058	-24
	5.	0.6	0.039	-6	0.031	-26
	6.	1.22	0.023	-12	0.021	-31
	7.	1.75	0.034	-14	0.019	-29
	8.	1.18	0.028	-9	0.02	-21
	9.	0.52	0.029	-4	0.024	-25
	Average		$0.036 \pm 0.013$	$-10.1 \pm 5.4$	$0.031 \pm 0.015$	$-25.2 \pm 4.4$



**Figure S19.** Average hole mobility and threshold voltage in saturation regime of C8-BPTE OFETs (Batch I and Batch II); the horizontal marks indicate the maximal values.