



Функція густини локалізованих станів в аморфних органічних напівпровідниках для OLED застосувань: експеримент і теорія

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Organic semiconductors for OLED applications



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According to a new market research report "[OLED Market by Display Application \(Smartphone, TV, Automotive, NTE\), Panel Type \(Rigid, Flexible\), Technology, Size, Material \(FMM RGB, WOLED\), Lighting Application \(General, Automotive\), Panel Type, & Vertical, and Geography - Global Forecast to 2023](#)", the OLED market is expected to be valued at USD 48.81 Billion by 2023, growing at a CAGR of 15.2% between 2017 and 2023. The key factors driving the growth of the market include the rapid adoption of OLED displays in smartphones and growing investments in technology and manufacturing facilities.



OLED TVs are commercially available since 2013



LG 55-inch rollable TVs

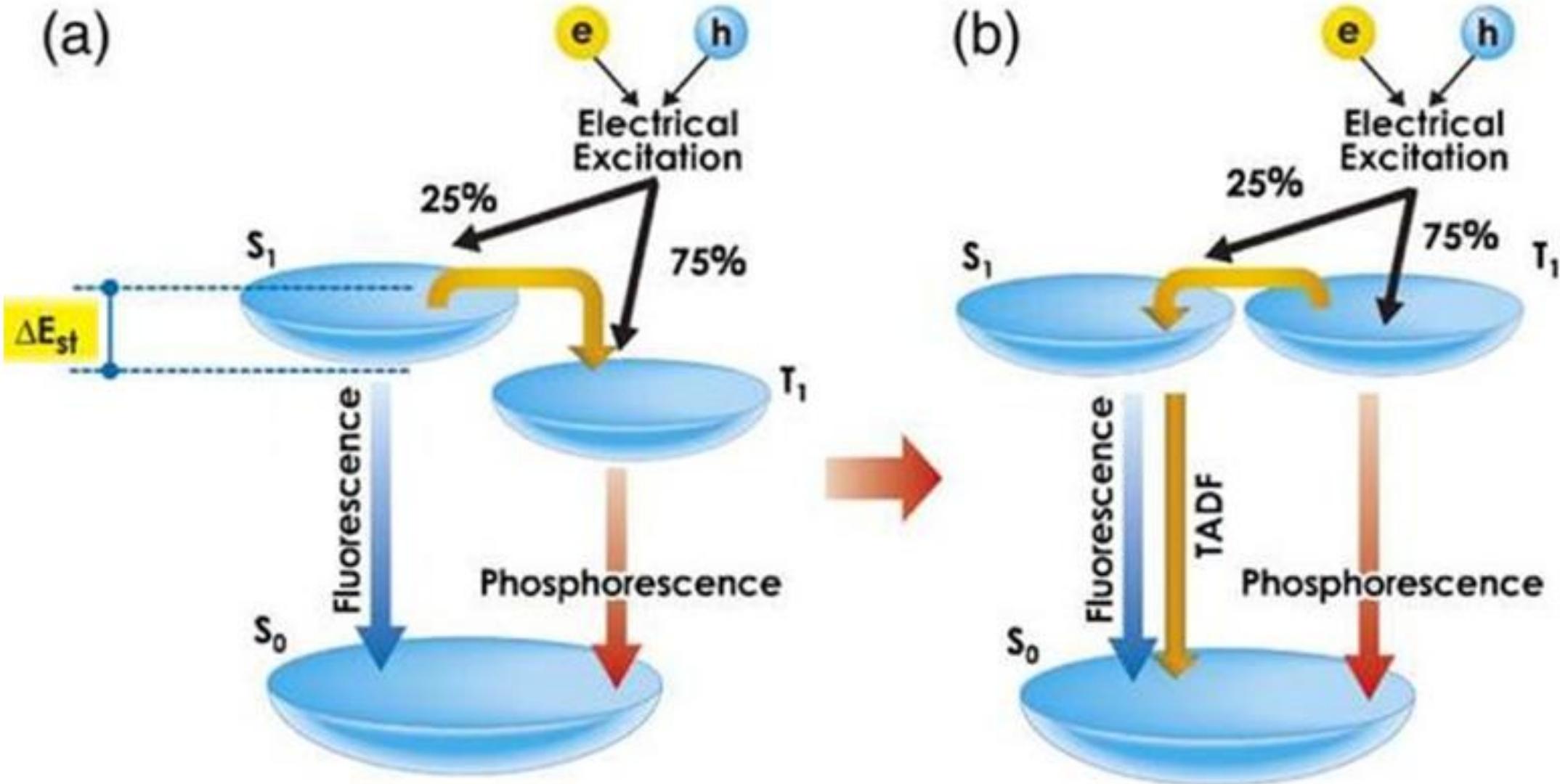


AMOLED Displays
(Samsung)

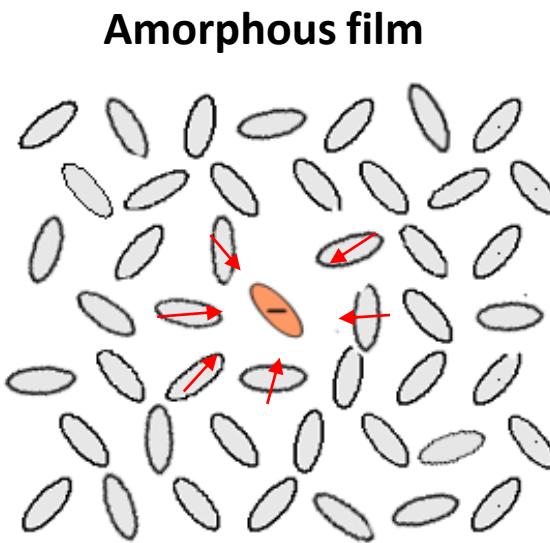
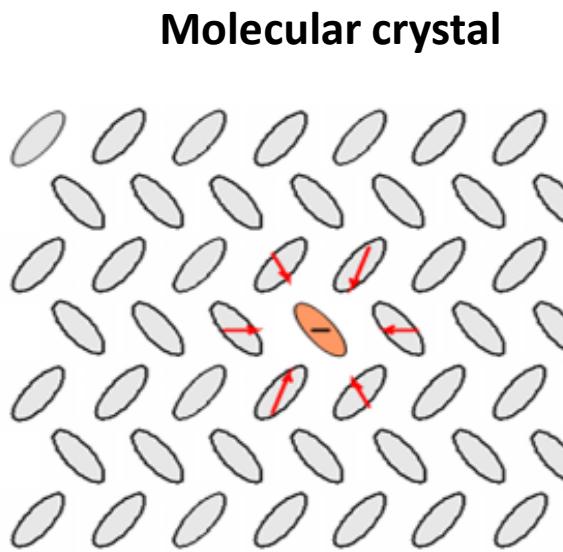


LG OLED lighting panels

Principle of TADF emission

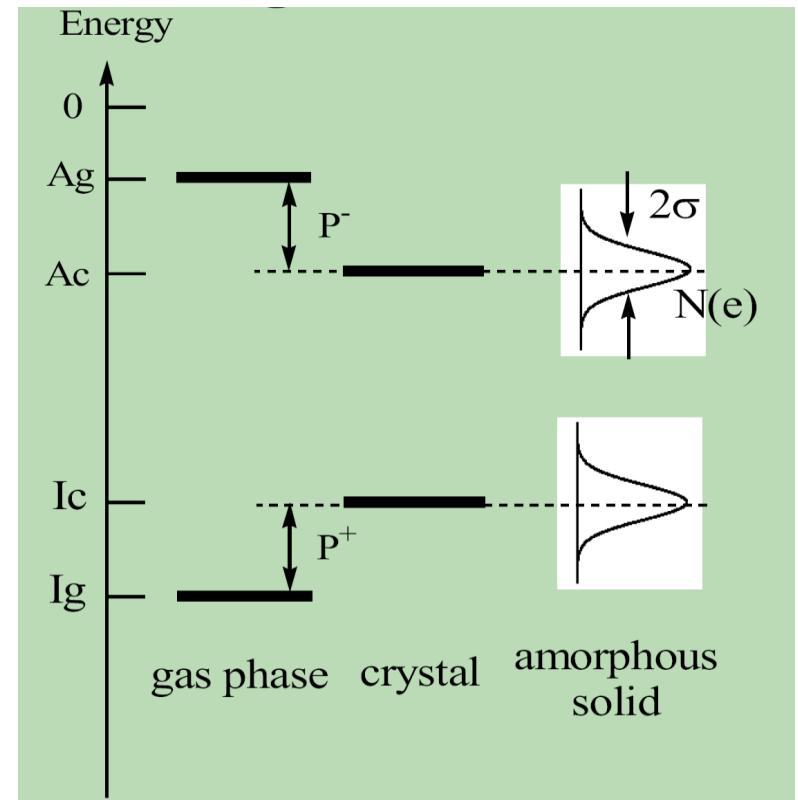


Density-of-States (DOS) distribution in amorphous organic semiconductors



$$P_{id} = \frac{e^2}{2(4\pi\epsilon_o)^2} \sum_j \frac{\overrightarrow{r_{ij,\beta}} \alpha_{\beta\gamma} \overrightarrow{r_{ij,\gamma}}}{r_{ij}^6}$$

Positional disorder gives rise to energy disorder



$$\mu \propto \exp(-(\sigma/kT)^2)$$

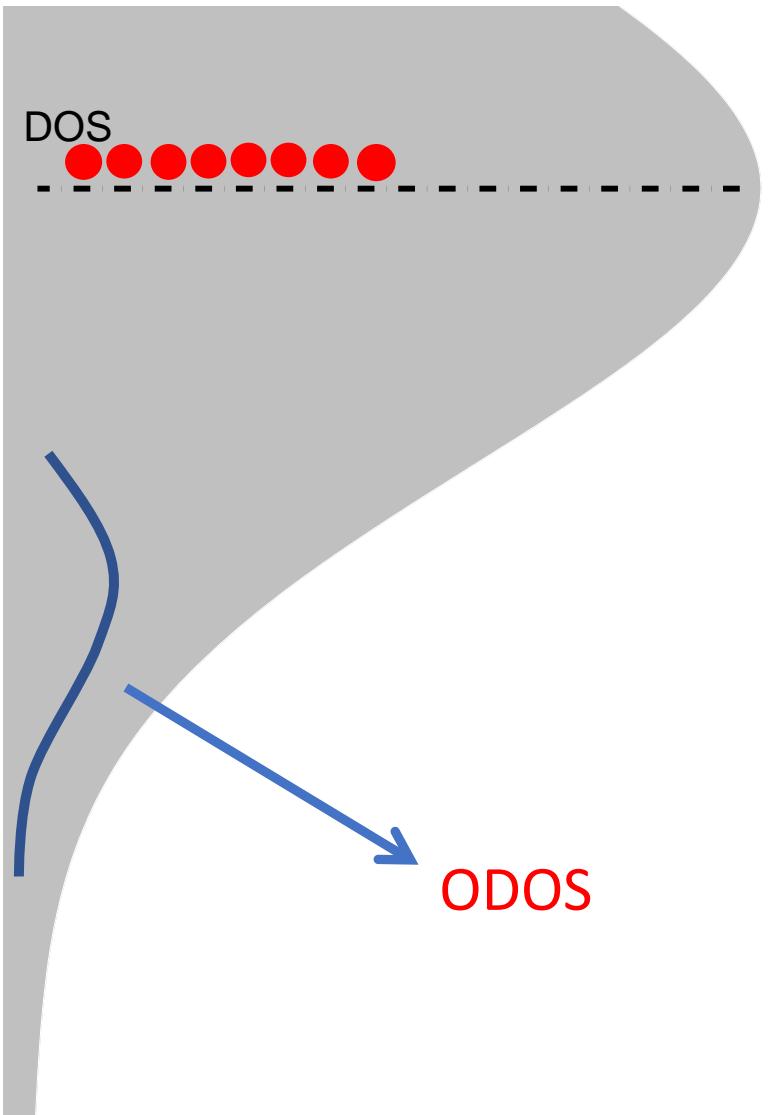
Determination of the Density-of-States (DOS) in organic materials is not a trivial task!

Experimental methods used so far for DOS probing

- Ultraviolet photoelectron spectroscopy (UPS)
- Inverse photoemission spectroscopy (IPS)
- Kelvin probe force microscopy (KPFM)
- Electrochemically gated transistor approach
- Temperature-dependent space-charge-limited-current
- **Thermally stimulated luminescence (TSL)**

Our experimental method:
Thermally-Stimulated Luminescence (TSL)

Principle of thermoluminescence (TSL)

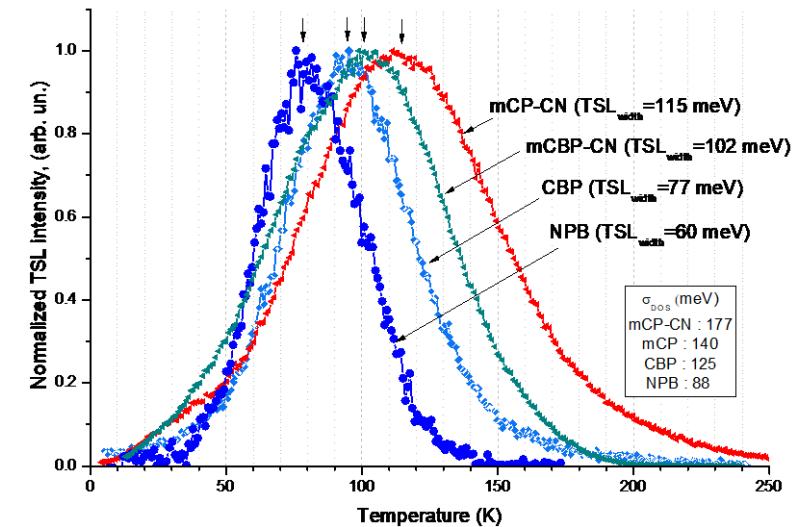
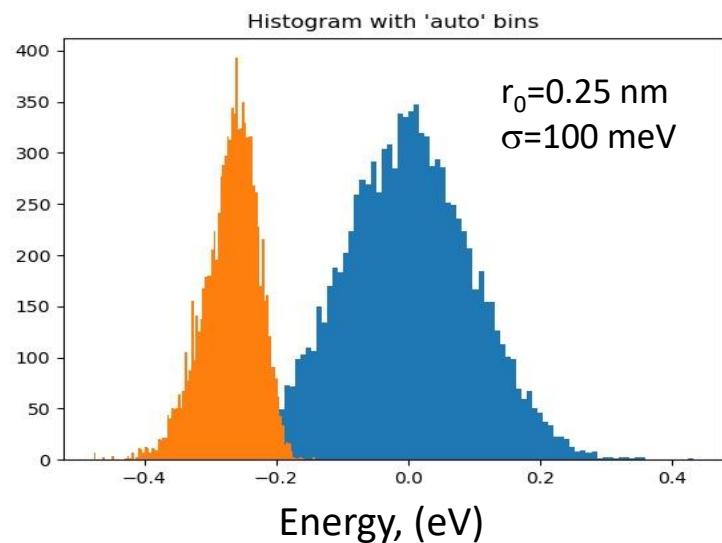


Heating ↑↑
Only downward hopping!!!



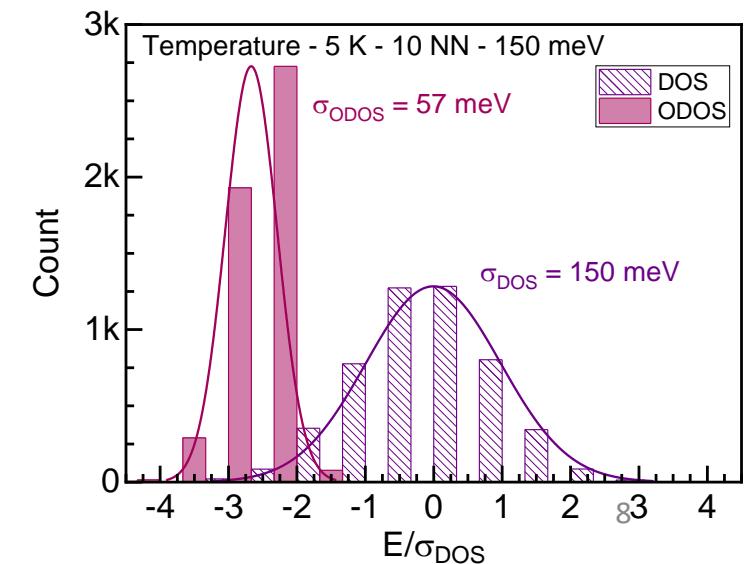
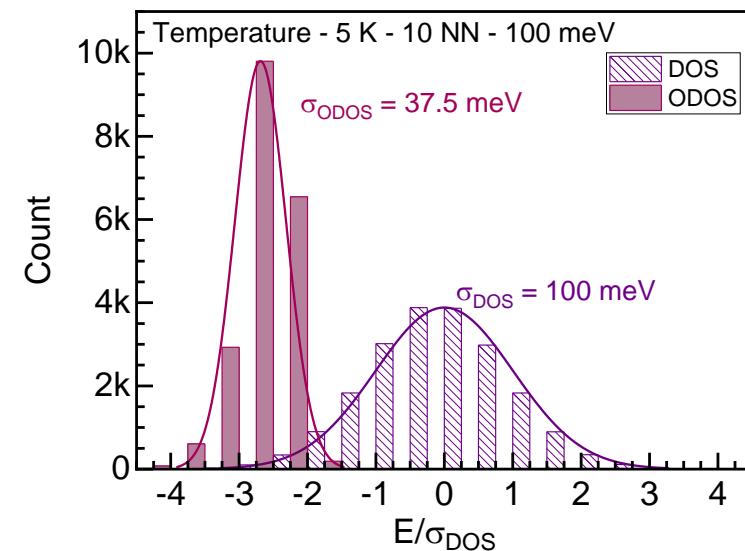
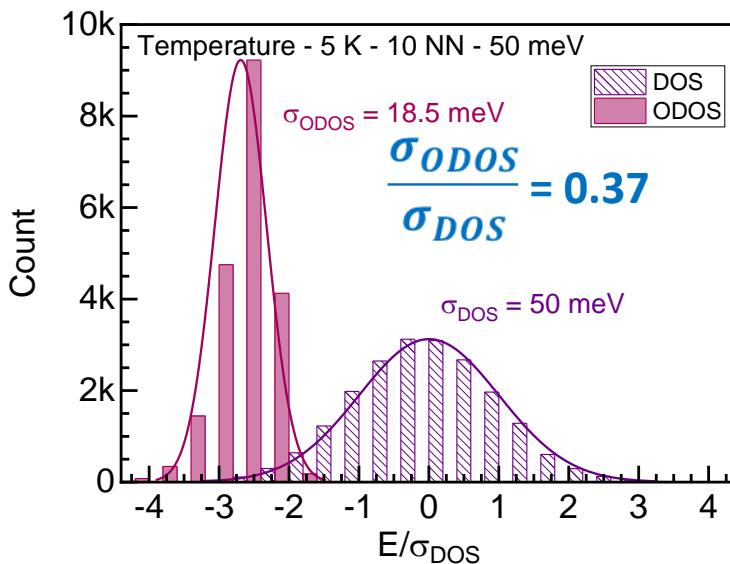
$$g(E) = \frac{N_t}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{E^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

Monte-Carlo simulations vs. experiment



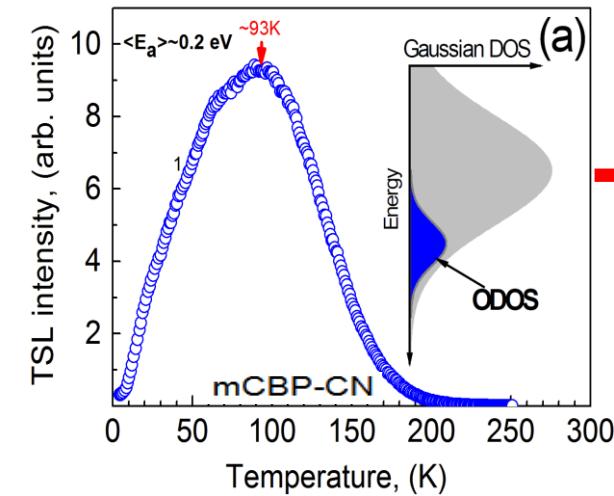
TSL experiment for different materials

MC-simulations of occupational DOS at 5K for different energy disorder

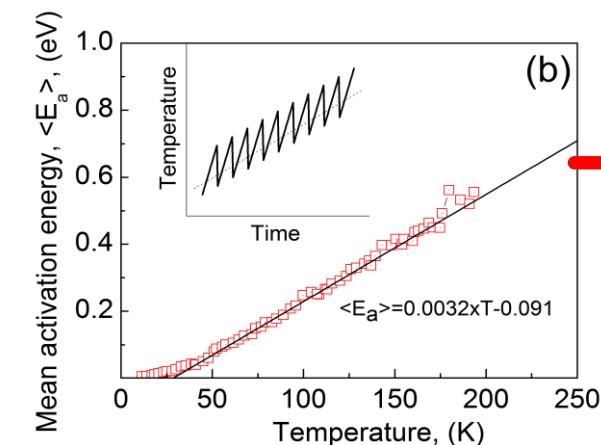


Example of DOS determination in mCBP-CN by TSL technique

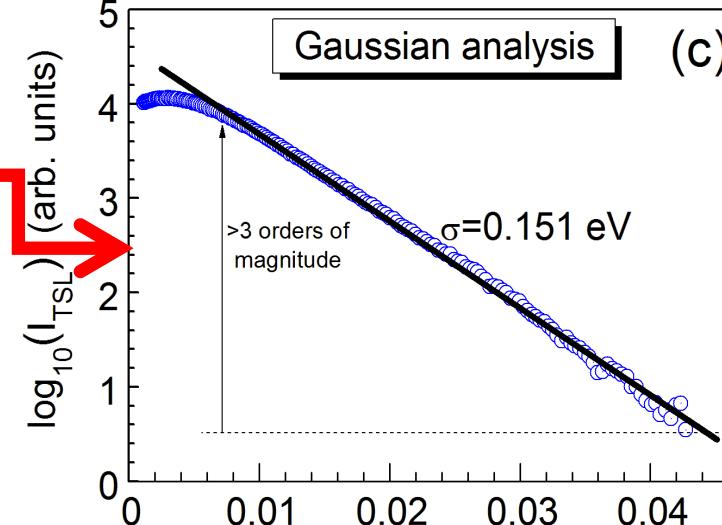
TSL curve measured for mCBP-CN



Activation energies by fractional TSL



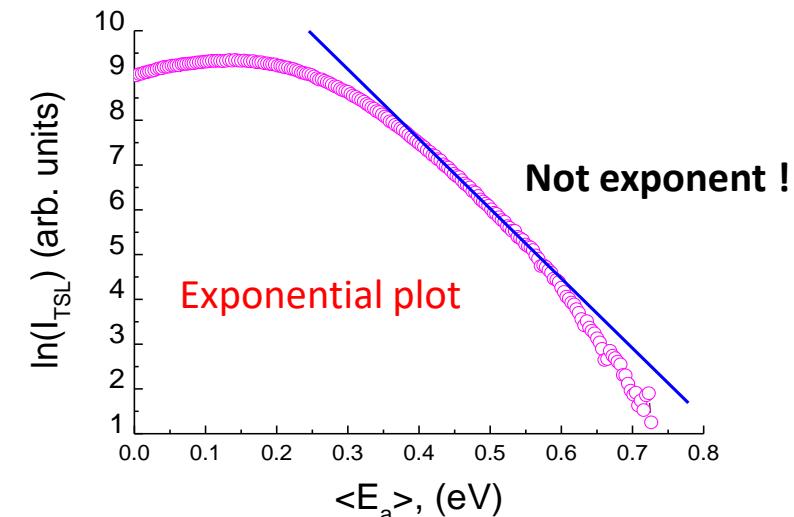
Gaussian analysis of TSL



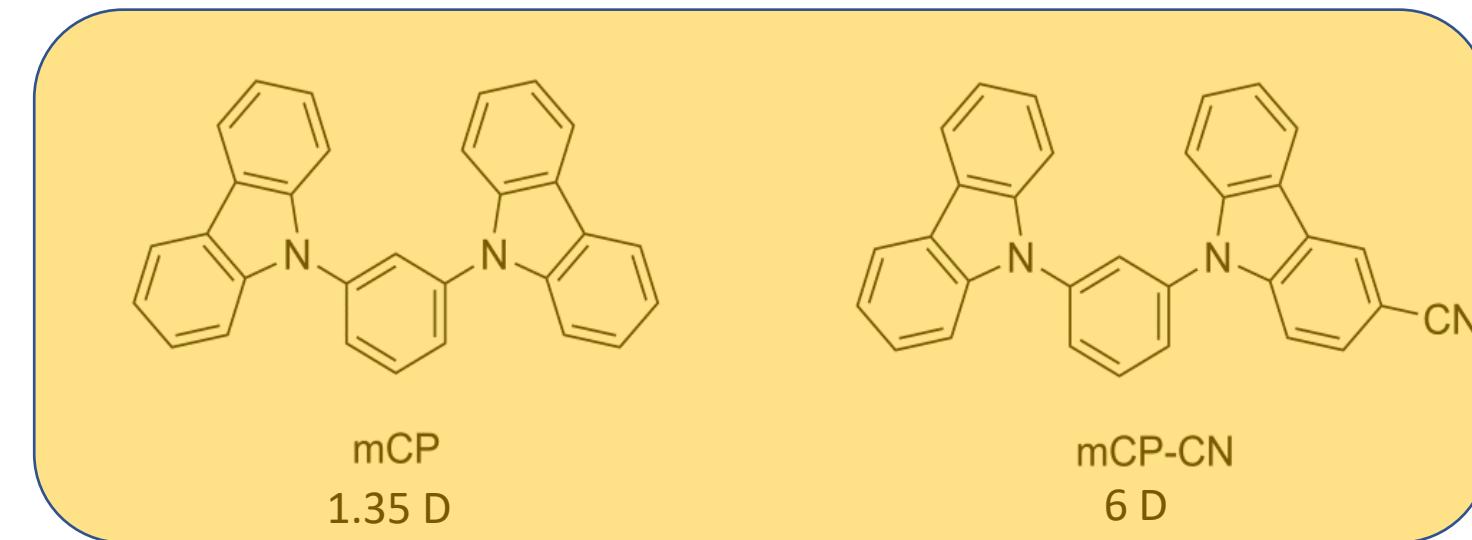
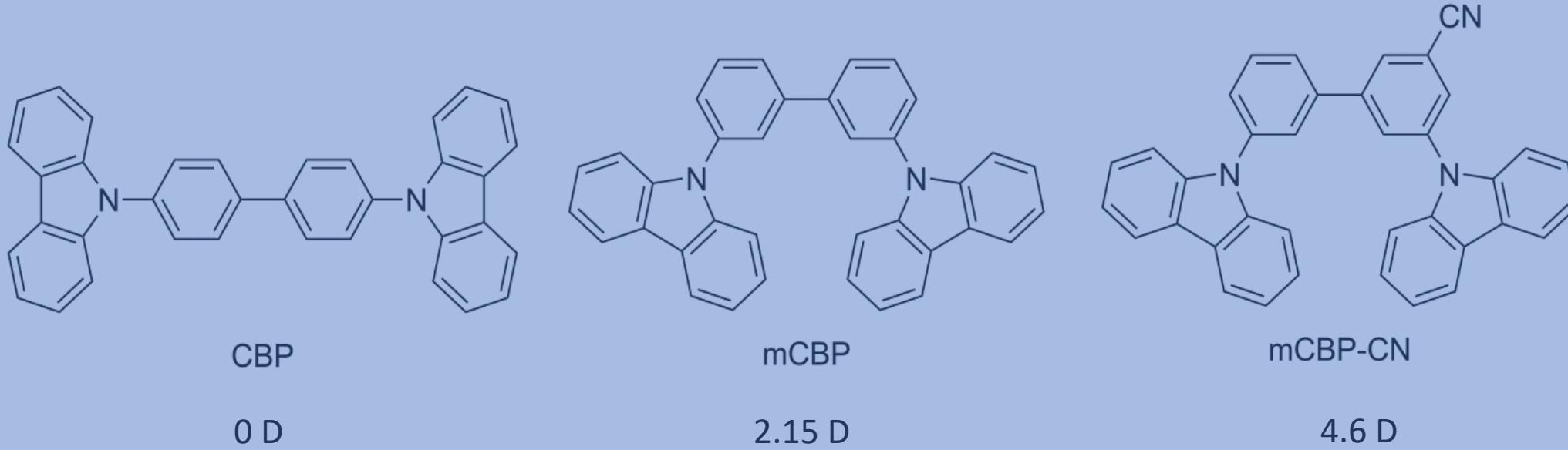
$$\langle E_a \rangle^2, (\text{eV}^2)$$

Converting T scale to E_a scale

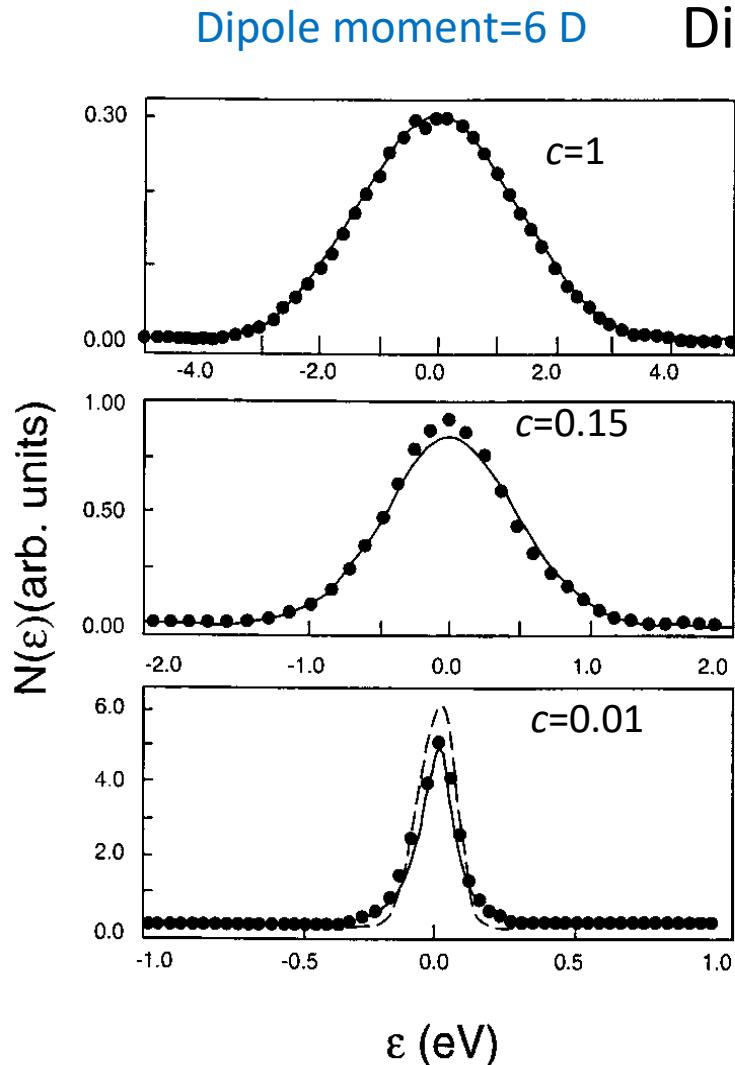
Exponential analysis of TSL



Two dipole series



Static dipole moments increase energy disorder



Dipole moment

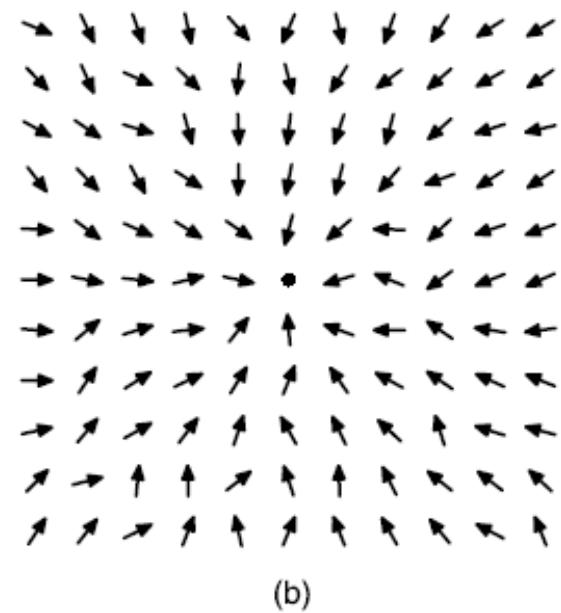
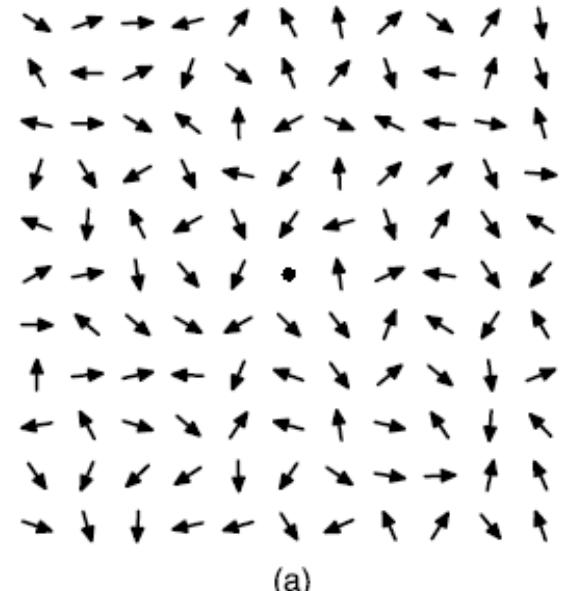


σ energy
Disorder
parameter

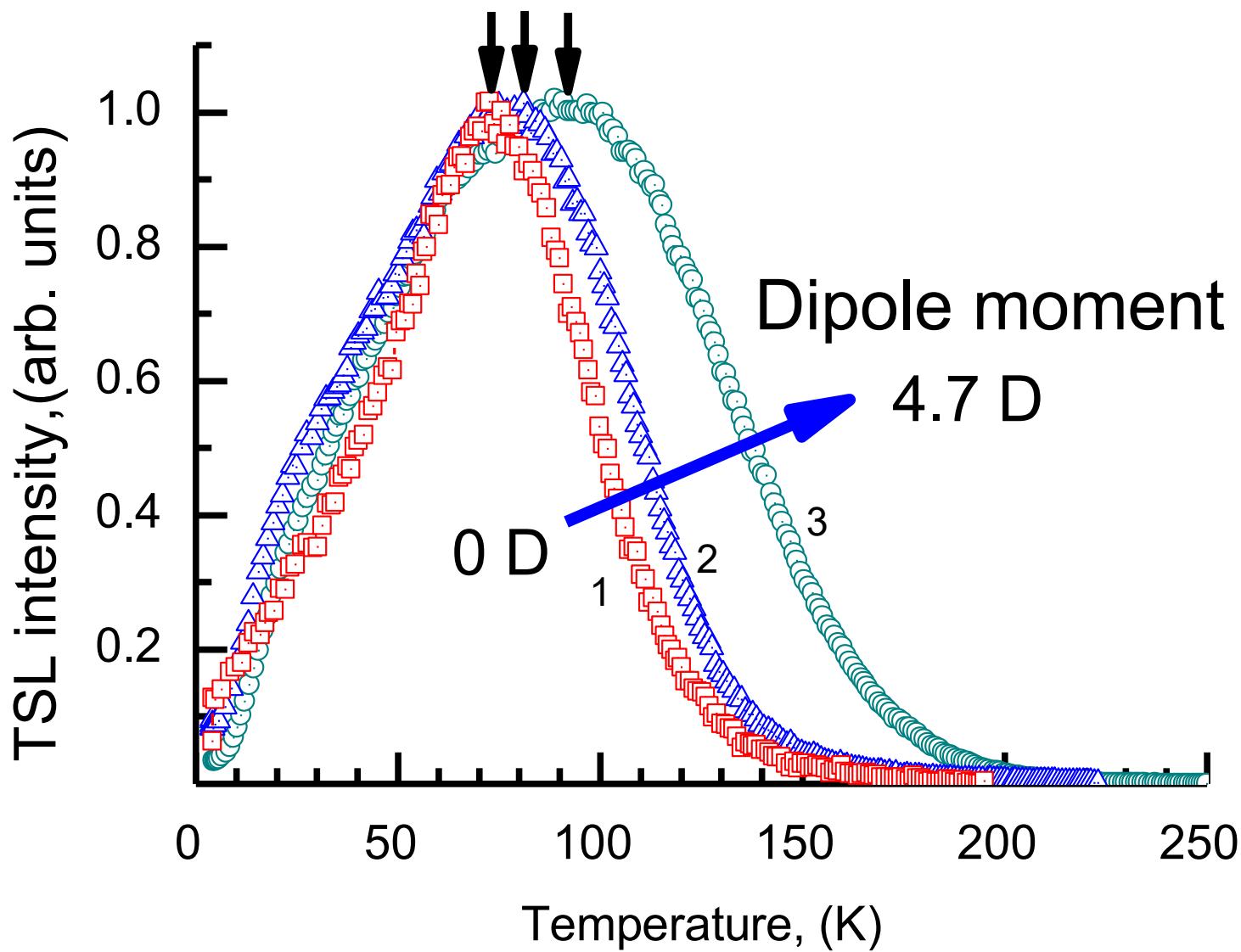
$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{dip}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{vd}}^2}$$

$$\sigma_D = \frac{3.06 c^{2/3}}{a^2 \epsilon} D$$

Stochastic cluster

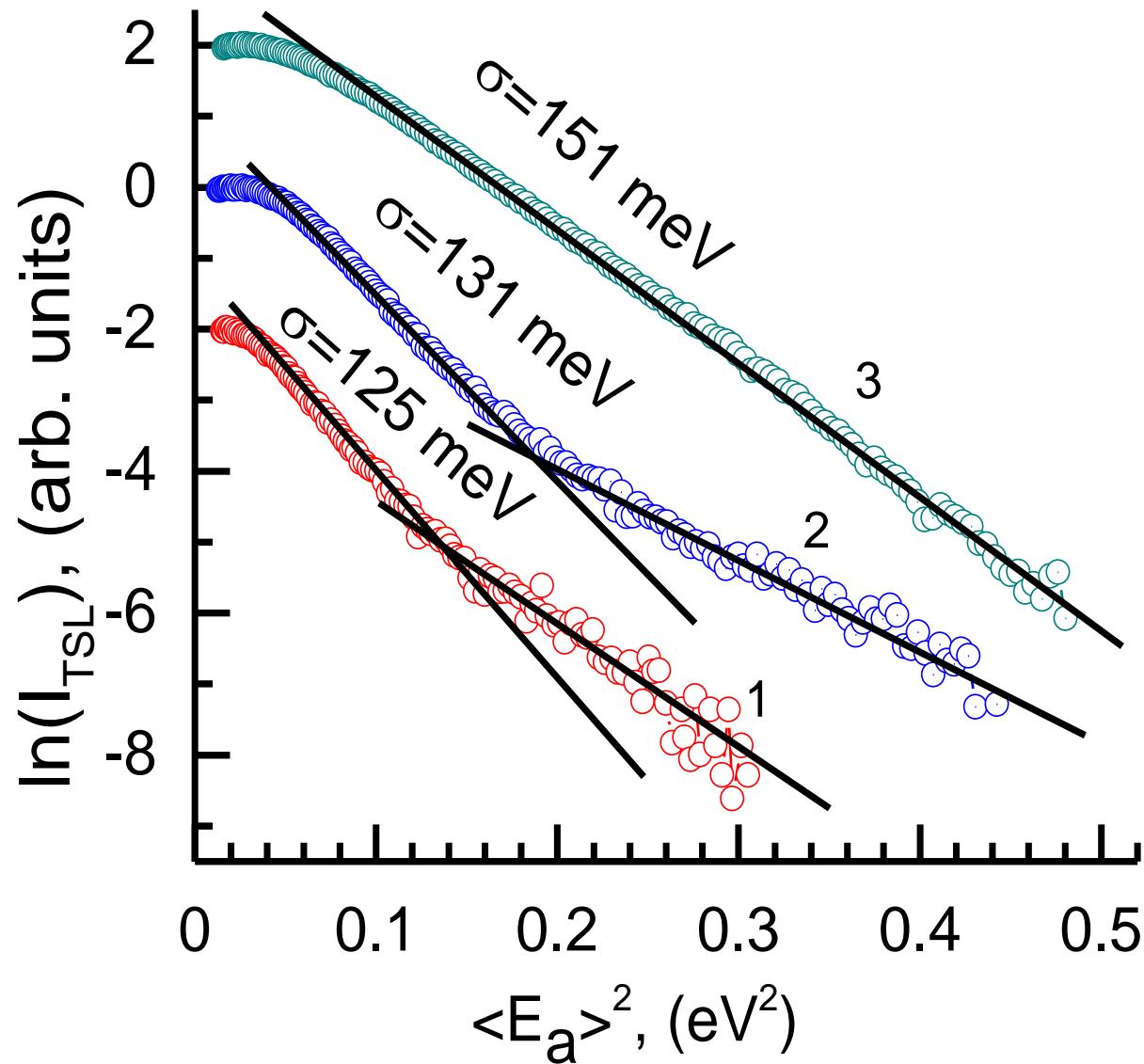


TSL of CBP, mCBP, mCBP-CN



| <u>Material</u> | <u>Dipole</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 1) CBP | 0 D |
| 2) mCBP | 2.4 D |
| 3) mCBP-CN | 4.7 D |

ODOS of CBP, mCBP, mCBP-CN

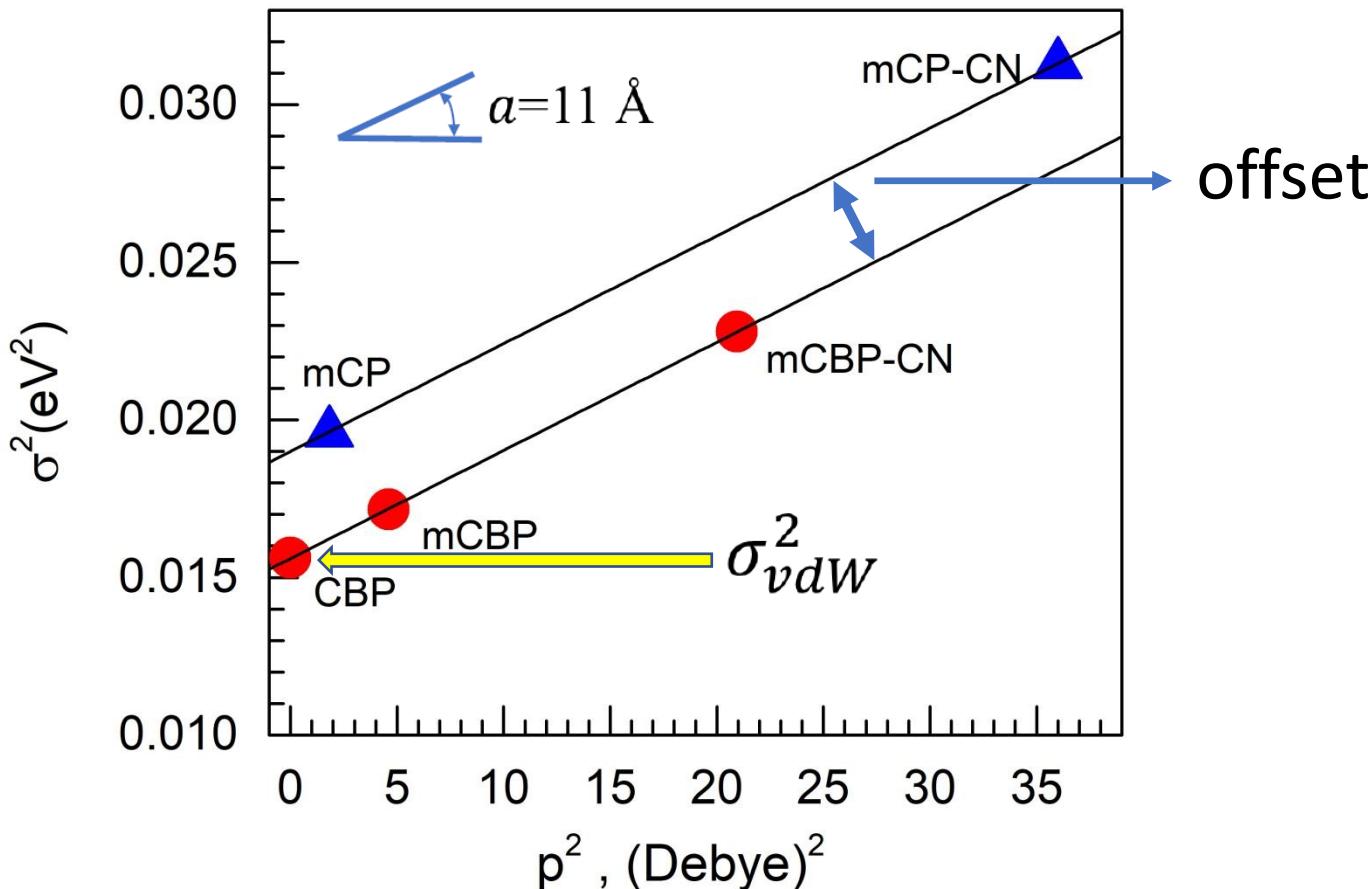


| <u>Material</u> | <u>Dipole</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 1) CBP | 0.8 D |
| 2) mCBP | 2.4 D |
| 3) mCBP-CN | 4.7 D |

Dipolar disorder effect

$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_{dip}^2 + \sigma_{vdW}^2 \quad \sigma_D = \frac{3.06 c^{2/3}}{a^2 \epsilon} D \quad \rightarrow \quad \sigma^2 \sim D^2$$

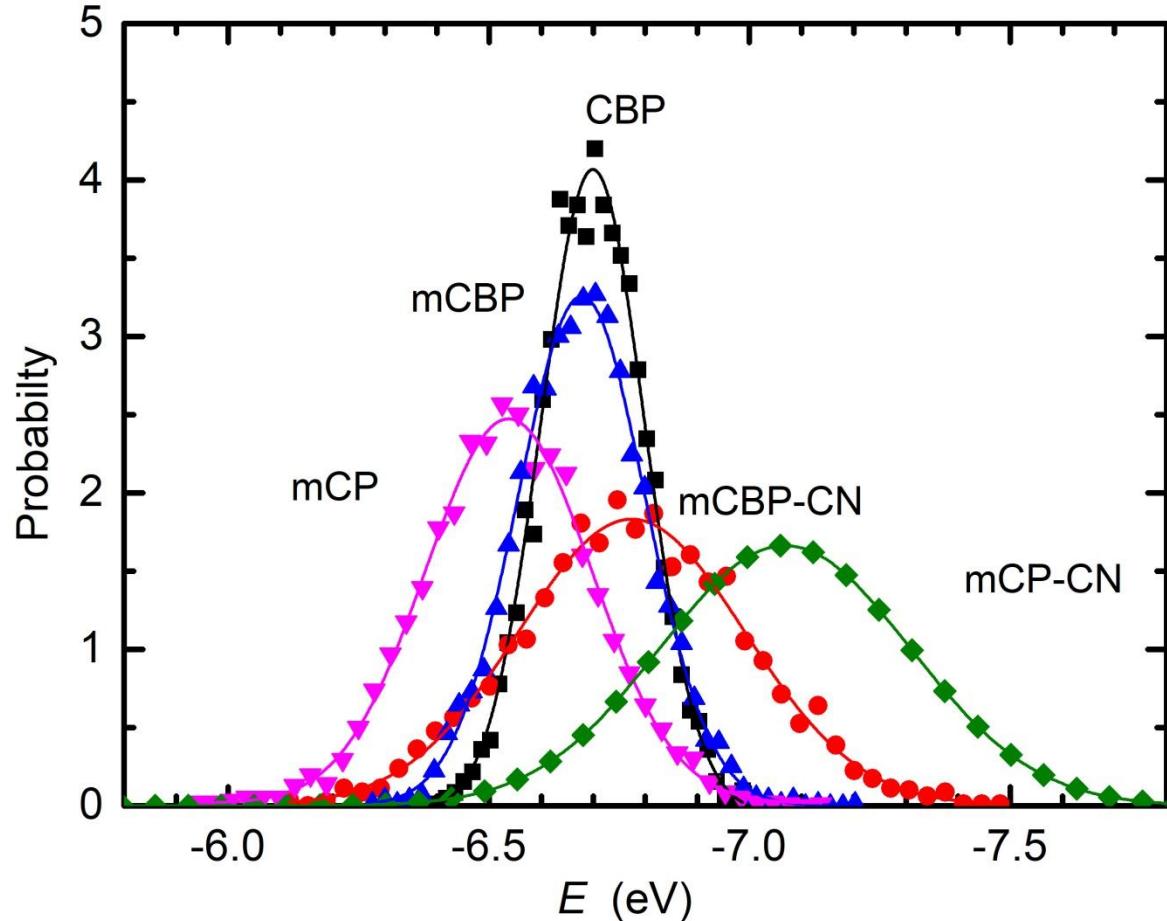
if $\sigma_{vdW}^2 = const$



- $\sigma^2 \sim D^2$ linear dependence for the same materials family
- The dependences are offset for two material series
- Intrinsically larger σ_{vdW} component in CP- derivatives

Computed DOS distributions

The same trend for σ change as in TSL measurements



Simulations done by Andrienko group at MPIP (Mainz)

| Material | Dipole moment p (D) | $\alpha_{\text{neutr.}}$ (Bohr ³) | α_{cation} (Bohr ³) | DOS width (from TSL) σ (eV) | DOS width (simulations) σ (eV) |
|----------|--------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| CBP | 0.04* | 670 | 3200 | 0.125 | 0.10 |
| mCBP | 2.15* | 600 | 3000 | 0.131 | 0.12 |
| mCBP-CN | 4.6* | 600 | 3000 | 0.151 | 0.20 |
| mCP | 1.35* | 450 | 1500 | 0.140 | 0.16 |
| mCP-CN | 6* | 540 | 1500 | 0.177 | 0.24 |

Smaller $\alpha_{\text{neutr.}}$ and α_{cation} polarizability in mCP leads to weaker screening of electrostatic disorder, that results in larger σ !

Висновки

- Розроблена методика прямого визначення функції густини станів та параметру енергетичного безпорядку в полярних органічних напівпровідниках
- Встановлено, що основний вклад в енергетичний безпорядок вносить електростатична взаємодія зарядів із молекулярними диполями
- Вперше показано, що індукційна взаємодія призводить до зменшення безпорядку за рахунок ефектів екранування
- Експериментальні результати добре узгоджуються із даними молекуляроно-динамічного моделювання для досліджуваних аморфних органічних напівпровідників

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