

Supplementary Information for

Confocal Microscopic Investigation of a Single Squaraine Dye Aggregate

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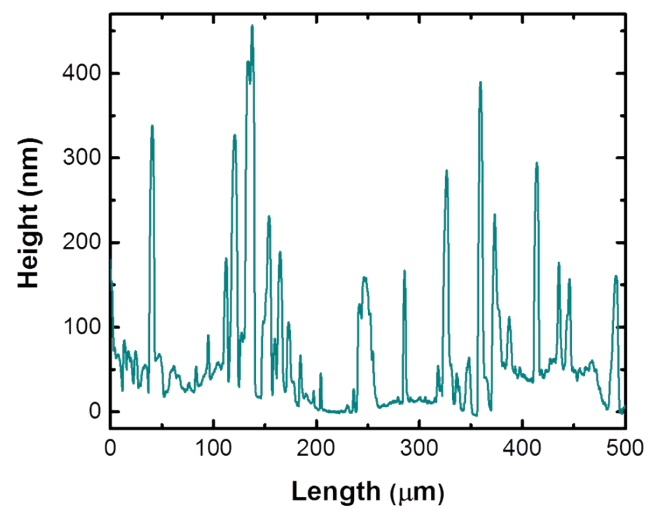


Figure S1. Surface profile of the aggregates as measured by profilometry.

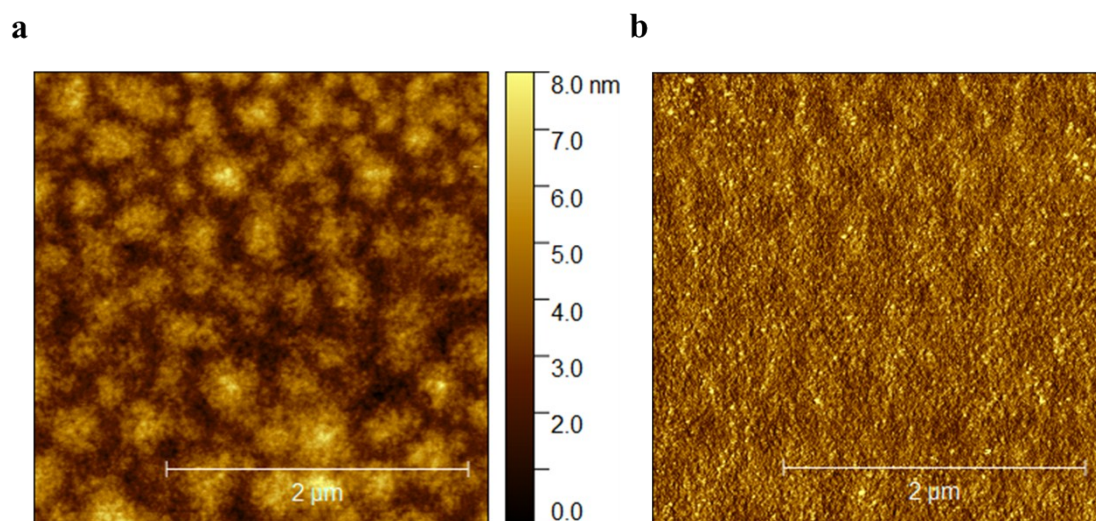


Figure S2. (a) Height and (b) phase AFM images of the VG1-C8 film. The calculated mean-square-roughness is 1.4 nm.

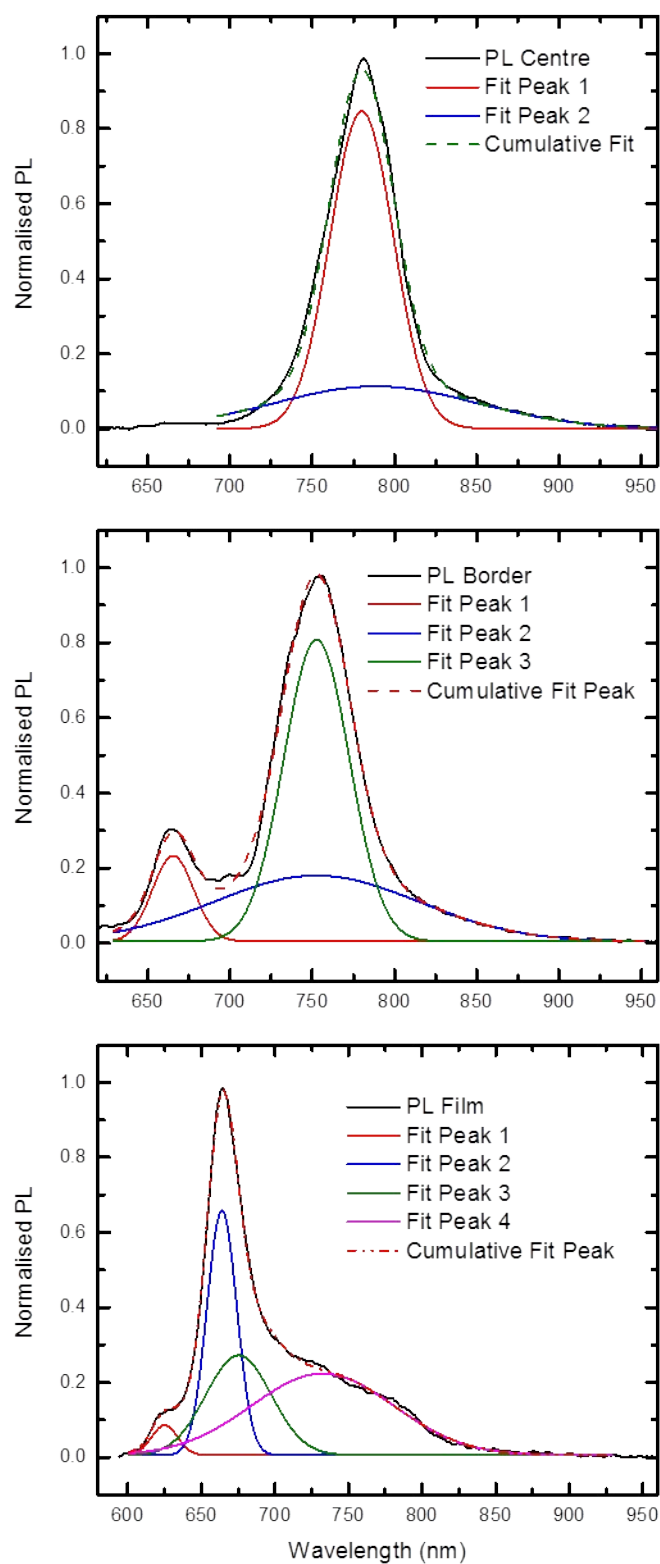


Figure S3. PL spectra taken at the three different regions namely, film, aggregated-border and centre, alongside the Gaussian fittings. We can see that, whereas the PL spectra coming from the film and border are in-fact a convolution of both monomeric and aggregate emission, the PL taken at the centre of the aggregate can be fitted effectively with one Gaussian (plus a broad background contribution).

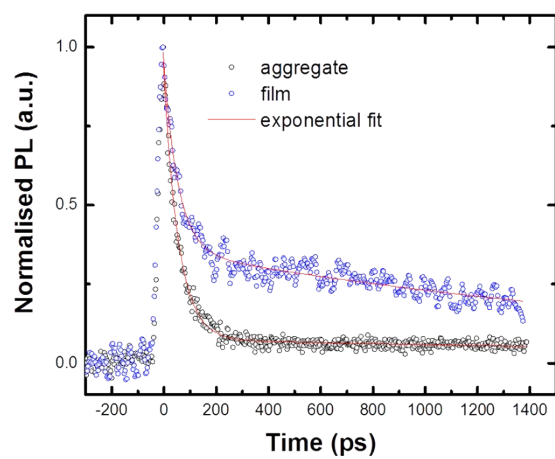


Figure S4. PL time-decay profiles for the VG1-C₈ and aggregate. The time-constants for the aggregate are $\tau_1 = 39.1 \pm 0.6$ ps ($A_1 = 95\%$) and $\tau_2 = 1.5 \pm 0.2$ ns ($A_2 = 5\%$), and for the film are $\tau_1 = 38.2 \pm 2$ ps ($A_1 = 62\%$) and $\tau_2 = 1.6 \pm 1$ ns ($A_2 = 38\%$).