

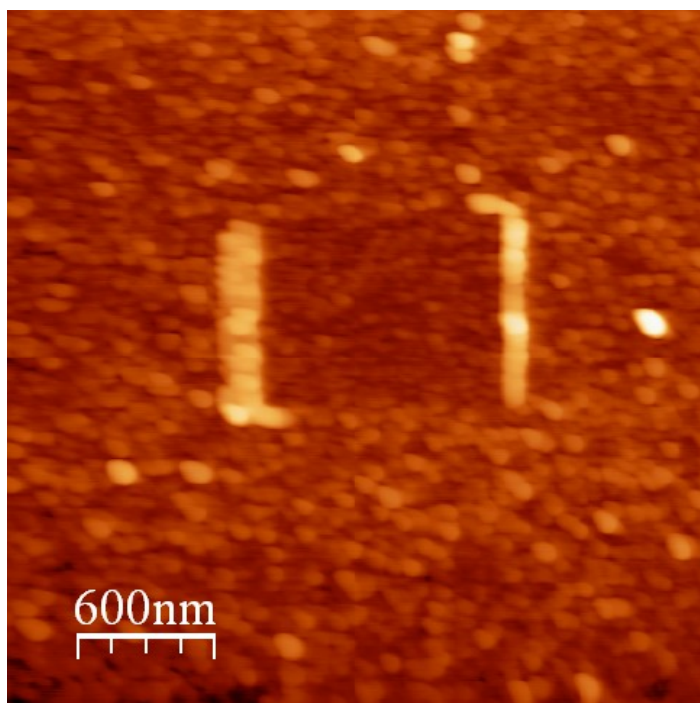
Supporting information for

**Diazonium-functionalized thin films from the spontaneous reaction of *p*-phenylenebis(diazonium) salts**

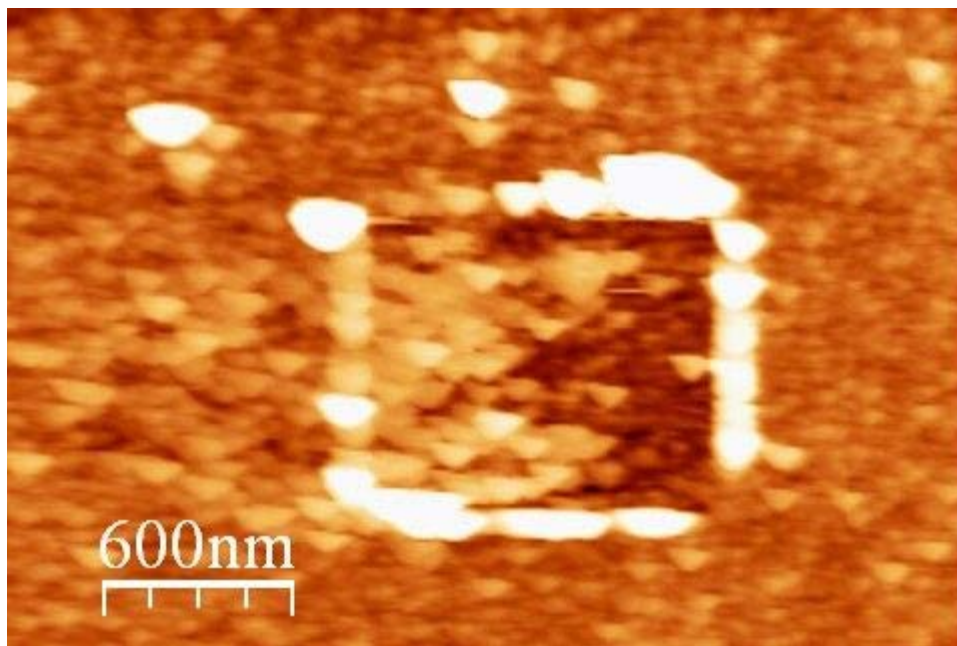
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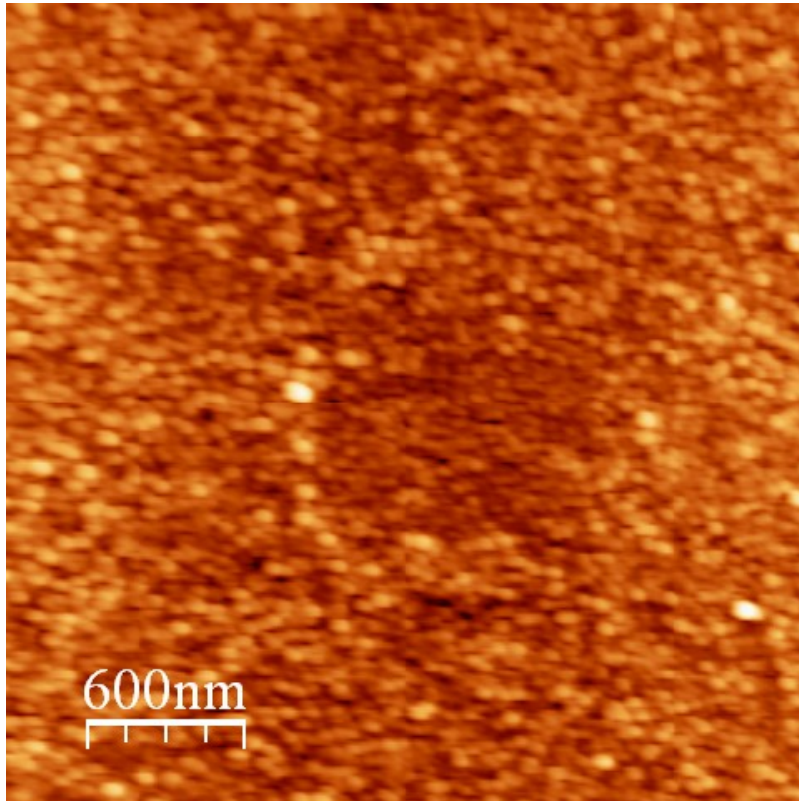
**Figure S1. AFM (with scratched region) of a ferrocene-functionalized PPBD film deposited from ACN (5 min.) on ITO. Scratch depth 2 nm.**



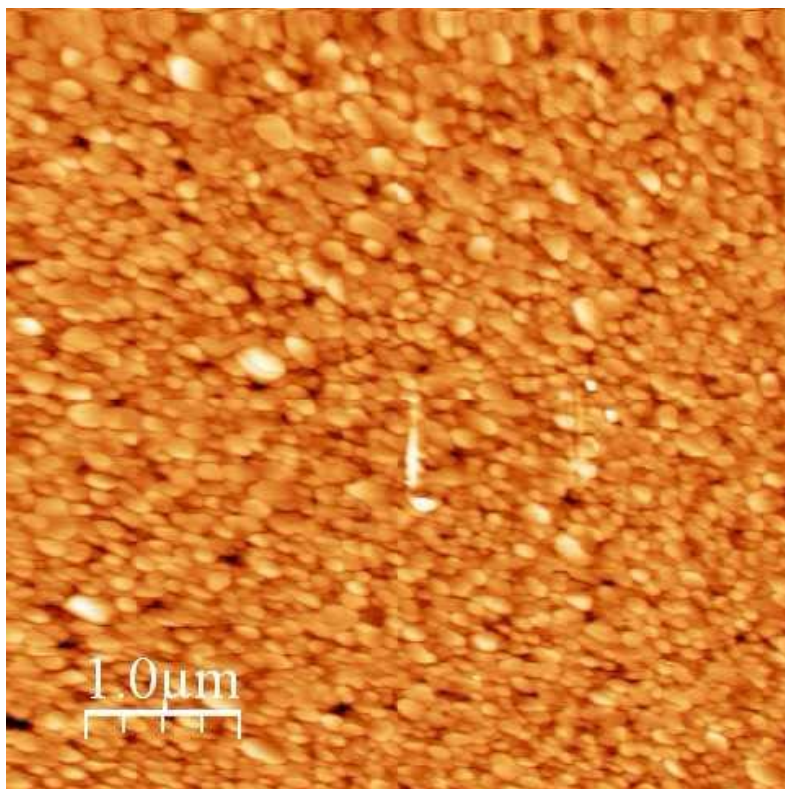
**Figure S2. AFM (with scratched region) of a ferrocene-functionalized PPBD film deposited from water (5 min.) on ITO. Scratch depth 4 nm.**



**Figure S3. AFM (with scratched region) of a ferrocene-functionalized PPBD film deposited from water (60 min.) on ITO. Scratch depth 60 nm.**



**Figure S4. AFM (with scratched region) of cleaned, bare ITO, showing very little distinction between scratched and unscratched areas.**



**Figure S5. AFM (with scratched region) of cleaned, bare gold surface, showing very little distinction between scratched and unscratched areas.**