Supporting Information

Polymorphism-Based Luminescence and Morphology-Dependent Optical Waveguide Property in the 1:1 Charge Transfer Cocrystals

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Table S1 The Crystallographic data of form $\alpha$ and form $\beta$ cocystals derived from single-crystal X-ray diffraction measurements.

| Crystal | form $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Formula | $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}$ |
| Formula weight $(\mathbf{g} / \mathbf{m o l})$ | 398.41 |
| Crystal system | monoclinic |
| Space-group | $\mathrm{P} 21 / \mathrm{c}$ |
| Lattice parameter a $(\AA)$ | $7.4866(4)$ |
| Lattice parameter $\mathbf{~ ( ~} \AA)$ | $28.6968(18)$ |
| Lattice parameter $\mathbf{c}(\AA)$ | $9.5251(6)$ |
| cell parameter $\boldsymbol{\alpha}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | 90 |
| Lattice parameter $\boldsymbol{\beta}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | $92.720(3)$ |
| Lattice parameter $\boldsymbol{\gamma}\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | 90 |
| Cell volume $\left(\AA^{3}\right)$ | $2044.1(2)$ |
| Formula units per cell Z | 4 |
| Calculated density $\left(\mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{c m}^{-3}\right)$ | 1.295 |
| Mu(mm |  |
| F(000) | 0.082 |
| F(000) | 824.0 |
| h,k,l,(max) | 824.31 |
| Nref | $9,35,11$ |
| R reflections | 4172 |
| wR2 | $0.0481(2653)$ |
| CSD | 0.1196 |



Fig. S1 The intermolecular interactions of (a-c) form $\alpha$ and (d-f) form $\beta$ cocrystals.


TCNB


ACA


Form $\boldsymbol{a}$


Form $\beta$

Fig. S2 (A) Directions of ACA (marked as a) and TCNB (marked as b) are marked by arrowhead with different color. The Intermolecular $\pi-\pi$ interaction of ACA and TCNB with different rotation angles in (B) form $\alpha$ and (C) form $\beta$ cocrystals.


Fig. S3 The interplanar distances between ACA and TCNB in the (A and B) form $\alpha$ and ( C and D ) form $\beta$ cocrystals.

Table S2 The interplanar distances between ACA and TCNB in the form $\alpha$ and form $\beta$ from Fig. S3

| Crystal | $\boldsymbol{d}_{\boldsymbol{D - A}}(\AA)$ | mean distance $(\AA)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| form $\alpha$ | $3.504,3.491,3.483,3.4793 .476$, | 3.478 |
|  | $3.475,3.471,3.446$ |  |
| form $\beta$ | $3.498,3.488,3.450,3.444$ | 3.441 |



Fig. S4 The Histogram of interplanar distances between ACA and TCNB in form $\alpha$ (Black) and form $\beta$ (Red) cocrystals from Table S2.

Table S3 Intermolecular hydrogen bond interactions in form $\alpha$ and form $\beta$.

| Crystal | form $\alpha$ |  | form $\beta$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intermolecular <br> interactions | $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{X}$ <br> $(\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N})$ | Length of <br> $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{X}$ | $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{X}$ <br> $(\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N})$ | Length of <br> $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{X}$ |
| Interactions of | $\mathrm{C}_{26}-\mathrm{H}_{26 \mathrm{~A}} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1}$ | $3.640 \AA$ | $\mathrm{C}_{17}-\mathrm{H}_{17} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1 ;} ;$ | $2.503 \AA$ |
| ACA and | $\mathrm{C}_{26}-\mathrm{H}_{26 \mathrm{~B}} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1}$ | $2.931 \AA$ | $\mathrm{C}_{19}-\mathrm{H}_{19} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1}$ | $2.539 \AA$ |
| adjacent ACA |  |  |  |  |
| Interactions of | $\mathrm{C}_{3}-\mathrm{H}_{3} \cdots \mathrm{~N}_{4}$ | $2.581 \AA$ | $\mathrm{C}_{3}-\mathrm{H}_{3} \cdots \mathrm{~N}_{3}$ | $2.684 \AA$ |
| TCNB and | $\mathrm{C}_{3}-\mathrm{H}_{3} \cdots \mathrm{~N}_{2}$ | $2.833 \AA$ | $\mathrm{C}_{6}-\mathrm{H}_{6} \cdots \mathrm{~N}_{2}$ | $2.706 \AA$ |
| adjacent TCNB |  |  |  |  |
| Interactions of <br> TCNB with | $\mathrm{C}_{6}-\mathrm{H}_{6} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1}$ | $2.603 \AA$ | $\mathrm{C}_{6}-\mathrm{H}_{6} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1}$ | $2.794 \AA$ |
| stacking ACA $-\mathrm{H}_{26 \mathrm{~A}} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{1}$ | $2.905 \AA$ |  |  |  |



Cal $253 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$
$\operatorname{Exp} 220 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$


Cal $234 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$
Exp $226 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$


Cal $1640 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$
Exp $1603 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$


Cal $1611 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$
Exp $1589 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$


Cal $1651 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$
Exp $1624 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$


Cal 1614 cm $^{-1}$

Fig. S5 In-plane $\pi-\pi$ vibration between ACA and TCNB in the (A-C) form $\alpha$ and (D-
F) form $\beta$.

Table S4. The fluorescent lifetime of the form $\alpha$ at 570, 580 and 590 nm , respectevily.

| 570 nm |  | 580 nm |  | 590 nm |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Value(ns <br> ) | Rel \% | Value(ns <br> ) | Rel \% | Value(ns) | Rel \% |
| 6.73 | 9.88 | 7.37 | 9.66 | 9.16 | 15.23 |
| 18.72 | 90.12 | 18.75 | 90.04 | 19.25 | 84.77 |

Table S5 The fluorescent lifetime of the form $\beta$ at 590, 610 and 630 nm , respectevily.

| 590 nm |  | 610 nm |  | 630 nm |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Value(ns <br> ) | Rel \% | Value(ns <br> ) | Rel \% | Value(ns) | Rel \% |
| 14.04 | 5.56 | 11.07 | 4.43 | 9.16 | 5.24 |


| 56.06 | 94.44 | 55.48 | 95.57 | 56.01 | 94.76 |
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Fig. S6 Transition dipole moments vector of $\mathrm{CT}_{0}$ to $\mathrm{CT}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{S}_{0}$ to $\mathrm{S}_{1}$ in the form $\alpha$ viewed along the (A) [010], (B) [001] directions, and that in form $\beta$ viewed along the (C) [100], (D) [010] directions, The vector $\mu$ are marked as black single-headed arrows. The directions of the light propagation in the crystal are marked as red double-headed arrows. (A-D) Growth morphologies of the two forms are simulated using materials studio software.

The growth morphologies of the form $\alpha$ and the form $\beta$ polymorphic cocrystals were simulated via materials studio software. The ACA and TCNB molecules appear mixed stacking $\cdots \mathrm{D}-\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{A} \cdots$ along the direction of [100] in the form $\alpha$ (Fig. S6A and S6B) and along the direction of [001] in the form $\beta$ (Fig. S6C and S6D). Therefore, the form $\alpha$ and the form $\beta$ polymorphic cocrystals grow along the [100] and [001] directions, respectively.

The emitting light can travel around in the same plane which perpendicular to transition dipole moment $(\mu)$. Therefore, light propagation in the crystal were predicted by the vectors of $\mu$ which from donor to acceptor. In the form $\alpha$, the composition vectors of $\mu$ contain a $\mathrm{CT}_{0}$ to $\mathrm{CT}_{1}$ transition with parallel direction of the [100] and a $S_{0}$ to $S_{1}$ transition with an angle of $\approx 60^{\circ}$ along the [100] direction (Black unfilled arrows represented the direction of $\mu$ in the Fig. S6A and S6B), which lead to the optical wave can be transmitted along two directions of [001] and [100] with an angle of $\approx 30^{\circ}$. The directions of the light-wave propagation in form $\beta$ are plotted in the Fig. S6C and S6D, the emitting light produced by $\mathrm{CT}_{0}$ to $\mathrm{CT}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{S}_{0}$ to $\mathrm{S}_{1}$
transitions can be travel in the crystal along the direction of [001] with an angle of $\approx$ $60^{\circ}$ and $30^{\circ}$, respectively (Fig. S6C).
Table S6 The distances of light propagation $D_{\mathrm{b}-\mathrm{t}}$ and spatially resolved PL intensity from Fig. 4C.

| No | $D_{\text {b-t }}(\mathrm{mm})$ | Fluorescent Intensity $\left(\mathrm{I}_{\text {body }}\right.$ or $\left.\mathrm{I}_{\text {tip }}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 | 21926 |
| 2 | 0.15 | 8601 |
| 3 | 0.25 | 5248 |
| 4 | 0.4 | 1757 |
| 5 | 0.42 | 978 |
| 6 | 0.5 | 726 |
| 7 | 0.625 | 612 |
| 8 | 0.77 | 535 |
| 9 | 0.92 | 577 |
| 10 | 1.1 | 615 |
| 11 | 1.2 | 477 |

Table S7 The distances of light propagation $D_{\mathrm{b}-\mathrm{t}}$ and spatially resolved PL intensity from Fig. 4E.

| No | $\mathrm{D}_{\text {b-t }}(\mathrm{mm})$ | Fluorescent Intensity $\left(\mathrm{I}_{\text {body }}\right.$ or $\left.\mathrm{I}_{\text {tip }}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 | 37246 |
| 2 | 0.15 | 21291 |
| 3 | 0.2 | 7119 |
| 4 | 0.25 | 2134 |
| 5 | 0.35 | 1890 |
| 6 | 0.5 | 1158 |



Fig. S7 (A) PL micro-imagings of optical propagation in the form $\alpha$, the excitation spot moved perpendicular to the [100] axis (marked as 0.45 to 0 mm ), white scale bars are 0.5 mm ; (B) Spatially resolved PL spectra of out coupled lights at the location of "Tip" in form $\alpha$ from Fig. 7SA; (C) The fitting curves of $\mathrm{I}_{\text {tip }} / \mathrm{I}_{\text {body }}$ with $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{b}-\mathrm{t}}$ from Fig. 7SB.


Fig. S8 (A) PL micro-imagings of optical propagation in the form $\alpha$, the excitation spot moved perpendicular to the [100] axis (marked as 0.6 to 0 mm ), white scale bar is 0.5 mm ; (B) Spatially resolved PL spectra of out coupled lights at the location of "Tip" in form $\alpha$ from Fig. 8SA; (C) The fitting curves of $\mathrm{I}_{\text {tip }} / \mathrm{I}_{\text {body }}$ with $\mathrm{D}_{\text {b-t }}$ from Fig. 8SB.


Fig. S9 PL micro-imagings of form $\beta$, the incident laser beam from crystal tip to crystal body perpendicular the [001] axis with different distance $D_{b-t}$. The white scale bar is 0.25 mm .

