## **Supplementary Information**

# Influences and Mechanism of Additives on Polymorphic Manipulation of Organic Fluorescent Crystals

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#### **Experimental section**

**1.2. Synthesis Procedure.** BMeTTPAL was readily synthesized by the Jones oxidation<sup>1</sup> and the following Suzuki-Miyaura coupling<sup>2</sup> (Scheme S1). The model compound was characterized and confirmed by 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H and 100 MHz <sup>13</sup>C spectroscopy (Bruker AVANCE III) and high-resolution mass spectroscopy (HRMS, 1290 UPLC (Agilent)/ micrOTOF-Q II (Bruker)).



Scheme S1. Synthesis of compound A.

Preparation of 1-2 by Jones oxidation <sup>1</sup>: acetic acid (20.0 mL), acetic anhydride (40.0 mL) and 1,4-dibromo-2,5-dimethylbenzene (1-1, 4.0 g, 0.015 mol, 1.00 eq.) were added in a flask, then the sulfuric acid (14.0 mL) was added dropwise to this mixture and stirred at 0 °C. New grinding  $CrO_3$  (6.0 g, 0.06 mol, 4.00 eq.) was slowly added in portions and stirred vigorously for another 5 hours at 0 °C. After the reaction finished, poured the greenish slurry into ice-water bath and filtered. The filter residue was further washed with ice water and cold methanol (about -15 °C). Then, the intermediate was carried on hydrolysis reaction under refluxing condition. The relevant solvents are ethanol (20.0 mL), water (20.0 mL) and sulfuric acid (2.0 mL). After cooling the reaction to 0 °C, the crude 1-2 was separated by filtration. The pure product was obtained by recrystallization from chloroform in 35% yield.

Preparation of compound A by a Suzuki-Miyaura cross coupling<sup>2</sup>: **1-2** (146 mg, 0.50 mmol, 0.50 eq.), Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (17.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.03 eq.), substituted-thiophene-2-boronic acid pinacol ester (1.25 mmol, 1.25 eq.) and 1.0 mLCs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.82 g, 2.50 mmol, 2.50 eq.) solution (2M) in 5.0 mL dry THF were refluxed 48 hours under an nitrogen atmosphere. After finished, the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic phase was further washed with saturated NaCl solution, water and dried with anhydrous Mg<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The product was obtained by flash column chromatography or recrystallization in acetone with 85% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 10.27 (s, 2H), 8.08 (s, 2H), 6.91 (d, J=3.5, 2H), 6.83 (dd, J=3.5, 1.1, 2H), 2.57 (d, J=0.9, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 191.44, 143.32, 136.88, 136.62, 135.06, 130.56, 130.09, 126.42, 15.40. HRMS (m/z): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Na 349.0333, found 349.0312.



Fig. S1 <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 2,5-Bis(5-methyl-2-thienyl)terephthalaldehyde.



Fig. S2 High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) spectra of 2,5-Bis(5-methyl-2-thienyl)terephthalaldehyde.

Morphology and Photophysical properties.



Fig. S3. (a-c) The SEM images of Form I; (d-f) The SEM images of Form II.



Fig. S4. Normalized UV-vis absorption of Form I, Form II and Form III.







**Fig. S6.** (a) DSC plot of three polymorphs; (b) The enlarged image between 120 °C and 155 °C of the DSC plot; (c) The PXRD patterns of different polymorphs: Form I (grey), Form II (red), Form III (blue) and heated powder of FIII (green).



**Fig. S7.** (a) The simulation and experimental comparison diagram of Form II and Form III; (b) the PXRD diagram of standard sample of silicon crystal powder under the same condition of (a).

Form II (°)	Form III (°)	Δ
8.900	8.850	0.050
14.560	14.510	0.050
17.940	17.840	0.100
20.920	20.820	0.100
23.270	23.220	0.050
	24.360	
24.580	24.530	0.050
25.590	25.540	0.050
26.850	26.800	0.050
28.340	28.241	0.099
35.040	34.970	0.070

 Table S1. The main PXRD data of Form II and Form III under experimental condition.

Note:  $\Delta$  = Form II (°) – Form III (°); Experimental condition: 7 °C min<sup>-1</sup>; The process was carried on from 5° to 60° with a step size of 0.01°, 7 °C min<sup>-1</sup>, voltage of 40 kV, and current of 15 mA.

**Table S2.** The PXRD data of standard sample of silicon crystal powder under calibration condition and experimental condition.

Label	Theory (°)	Calibration condition (°)	$\Delta_1$	Experimental condition (°)	$\Delta_2$
Si (111)	28.401	28.403	-0.002	28.390	0.011
Si (220)	47.264	47.249	0.015	47.260	0.004
Si (311)	56.083	56.068	0.015	56.079	0.004
Si (400)	69.090	69.071	0.019		
Si (331)	76.336	76.315	0.021		
Si (422)	87.990	87.970	0.022		
Si (511)	94.912	94.888	0.024		
Si (440)	106.670	106.641	0.029		
Si (531)	114.055	114.024	0.030		
Si (620)	127.510	127.473	0.037		
Si (533)	136.861	136.819	0.042		

Note:  $\Delta_1$  = Theory (°) - Calibration condition (°);  $\Delta_2$ = Theory (°) - Experimental condition (°); Experimental condition: The process was carried on from 5° to 60° with a step size of 0.01°, 7 °C min<sup>-1</sup>, voltage of 40 kV, and current of 15 mA.



**Fig. S8.** The hot-stage microscopic graphs about the process of crystal transformation between Form III and Form I.

Crystalization Methods	Additives	Form I	Form II	Form III
	F <sub>4</sub> DBrB >=70% (w/w)	Х	0	Х
Evaporation	PFP-OH >=10% (w/w)	Х	0	Х
	None	0	Х	Х
	F <sub>4</sub> DBrB >=30% (w/w)	Х	0	Х
Cooling 5 °C/h	PFP-OH >=5% (w/w)	х	Ο	Х
	None	0	Х	Х
Cooling 15 °C/h	None	Х	0	Х
Sublimitation Under Vacuum		Х	Х	0

Table S3. The summary of crystallization conditions.

Note: The solvent for solution crystallization is acetone. The symbol X means not present and the character O means present.

# Molecule packing of Form I and Form II of BMeTTPAL.



**Fig. S9** (a) Overlay of the molecular conformations of Form I (cyan) and Form II (orange) in the solid state; (b) Atomic labels of BMeTTPAL molecule. (c) The dihedral angle between the substituted thiophene rings of neighboring molecules.<sup>3</sup>

cell parameters	Form I <sup>1</sup>	Form II <sup>3</sup>	Form III
formula	$C_{18}H_{14}O_2S_2$	$C_9 H_7 OS$	$C_{18}H_{14}O_2S_2$
formula mass	326.41	163.21	326.41
crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	Сc	I2/a	C2/c
<i>a</i> [Å]	18.3188(8)	7.4369(3)	13.921(3)
<i>b</i> [Å]	11.8244(3)	16.8946(6)	16.888(3)
<i>c</i> [Å]	7.8174(4)	12.0074(3)	7.6224(15)
α [°]	90	90	90
β [°]	116.210(6)	92.268(3)	120
γ [°]	90	90	90
<i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	1518.96(13)	1507.47(9)	1551.93
Ζ	4	8	4
$\mu$ [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]	0.354	0.357	
$ ho_{ m calcd} [{ m g}{ m cm}^{-3}]$	1.427	1.438	1.397
F [000]	680.0	680.0	680.0
θ [°]	4.244-52.734	4.164-52.736	3.38-27.60
T [K]	123.15	123.15	293(2)
R1	0.0255	0.0292	0.0500

Table S4. Crystallographic data of different polymorph of BMeTTPAL.

wR2	0.0678	0.0790	0.1241
CCDC No.	745214	1987291	2070247

### Computer simulation of BMeTTPAL molecule.



**Fig. S10** Schematic diagram of different conformers of BMeTTPAL molecule in acetone. The energy of conformers, HOMO, LUMO and gap (LUMO-HOMO) can be seen in Table S5 and Figure S9. The calculation was based on M06-2X/6-311G(d,p) level and acetone was used as the solvent for calculations (Solvation Model Based on Density) at the M06-2X/6-311G(d,p) level.

Solvents	Ι	II	III	IV
Toluene	-1641.025771	-1641.014536	-1641.023030	-1641.014188
1,4-Dioxane	-1641.018699	-1641.007077	-1641.015872	-1641.006693
Chloroform	-1641.027723	-1641.017350	-1641.024746	-1641.017572
Acetone	-1641.030041	-1641.020247	-1641.026791	-1641.020773
Acetonitrile	-1641.028984	-1641.019674	-1641.025648	-1641.020134

 Table S5. Energy data of different conformers of BMeTTPAL molecule.

Note: The calculation was based on M06-2X/6-311G (d,p) level by Gaussian 09 software. Unit: Hartree.



**Fig. S11** (a) The diagram of energy of potential conformations of BMeTTPAL, the lowest energy of conformation I is set as 0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> in different solvents.



**Fig. S12** ESP-mapped molecular vdW surface of solvent molecules: toluene (a), 1,4-dioxane (b), chloroform (c), acetone (d), acetonitrile (f). Surface local minima and maxima of ESP (units: kcal mol-1) are represented as cyan and orange spheres, respectively. The global minimum and maximum values are italic. The calculation was based on M06-2X/6-311G (d,p) level.<sup>4-5</sup>



**Fig. S13** The 1:1 complex of CA and toluene (a), 1,4-dioxane (b), chloroform (c), acetonitrile (d). Visualization in the molecular space of non-covalent interaction (NCI isosurfaces corresponding to RDG = 0.50 a.u.) and topological AIM graph in the dimer of CA and acetone. The orange lines represent the bond paths, the orange balls represent the bong critical points (BCPs).



**Fig. S14** The binding energy of 1:1 complex of CA\_CA (black), FD\_FD (orange), PF\_PF (blue), CA\_SOL (purple), CA\_FD (green), CA\_PF (yellow).

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Sol	Toluene	1,4-Dioxane	Chloroform	Acetone	Acetonitrile
CA_CA	-14.36012337	-18.23310183	-15.63680407	-16.74172716	-17.03308437
	967090	328770	213100	165450	556780
FD_FD	-6.078728124	-7.285049755	-6.054318072	-5.877349115	-6.613332929
	77417	27756	71001	10594	24313
PF_PF	-6.054323140	-6.909338852	-4.216727928	-7.050314076	-6.475250243
	09721	79240	19148	36513	33575
CA_SOL	-7.429105586	-5.321273864	-4.281371809	-2.773370268	-4.348454451
	33591	84570	15833	17350	45129
CA_FD	-9.146966337	-10.78589729	-9.144256408	-9.804530649	-9.946364541
	99917	925070	62374	14504	03890
CA_PF	-13.85707088	-15.22403310	-13.02568476	-13.02330613	-12.85043788
	691300	601880	957070	453390	373980

**Table S6**. The binding energy of 1:1 complex of CA\_CA, FD\_FD, PF\_PF, CA\_SOL, CA\_FD, CA\_PF.

Note: The calculation was based on M06-2X/6-311G (d,p) level by Gaussian 09 software. Unit: kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>.



**Fig. S15** Scatter map of non-covalent interaction (NCI) of CA and toluene (a), 1,4-dioxane (b), chloroform (c), acetone (d), acetonitrile (e); Color scale bar related to the color-filled NCI (RDG) isosurface in Fig S10 and Fig S11.



**Fig. S16** (a) The PXRD patterns of CA with different concentrations of PFP-OH in acetone in the cooling crystallization process; (b) The PXRD patterns of CA with different concentrations of  $F_4DBrB$  in acetone in the evaporation crystallization process; (c) The PXRD patterns of CA with different concentrations of  $F_4DBrB$  in acetone in the cooling crystallization process.



**Fig. S17** (a) The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of CA in  $d^6$ -acetone with different concentrations of PFP-OH; (b) Partial enlarged view of (a).



**Fig. S18** Scatter map of non-covalent interaction (NCI) of CA and F4DBrB (a), PFP-OH (b); Color scale bar related to the color-filled NCI (RDG).



**Fig. S19** (a) Single crystal of Form I with Miller indices of observable faces; (b-d) molecular arrangement in crystal surfaces of (10-1), (110) and (1-10). The red ellipses represent EDG and EWG with large torsion angles, and the white arrows represent the orientation of S and O atoms.



**Fig. S20** (a) Single crystal of Form II with Miller indices of observable faces; (b-d) molecular arrangement in crystal surfaces of (0-11), (-201) and (0-10).

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