### **Supporting Information**

## Bias Switchable Narrowband/Broadband NIR Organic-Photodetector Fabricated with a Scalable Technique

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Figure S1. (a) UV-vis spectra and (b) energy diagram of the PD004:PD-A2 BHJ system.



#### 2. Dark I-V curve fitting

Figure S2. Dark IV curved and fitting summary.

PAL thickness (µm)	1.05	1.6	3.5	5.2	10.4
R <sub>s</sub> (ohm.cm <sup>2</sup> )	8.0E+04	3.0E+05	7.0E+05	3.0E+06	8.0E+06
R <sub>sh</sub> (ohm.cm <sup>2</sup> )	3.0E+07	2.5E+07	8.0E+06	5.0E+07	3.0E+07
I <sub>0</sub> (A/cm <sup>2</sup> )	4.0E-10	1.0E-07	1.0E-08	2.0E-07	5.0E-10
n	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1

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Table S1. Summary of the fitting results.





**Figure S3**. EQE spectra for the state-of-art commercial NIR Si image sensor (Nyxel<sup>®</sup> 2) and Visera's OPD photodetector made by blade coating with various active layers measured at -4V.

# 4. Absorption spectra of donor and acceptor thin film and the extinction coefficient of the photoactive layer



**Figure S4**. (a) The normalized absorption spectra of acceptor and donor thin film. (b) the absorption coefficient of the photoactive layer composed by a mixture of donor and acceptor. The black dash line shows the absorption coefficient of Si as a comparison.

#### 5. Summary of the photodetector performance

	Unit	Bias	PAL Thickn	PAL Thickness (µm)								
			0.32	1.05	1.6	3.5	5.2	6	10.4			
f <sub>-3db</sub> at 4V	Hz		NA	23357	16238	5456	379	518	50			
Dark current	A/cm	-2V	8.9e-6	5.5e-8	5.8e-8	1.1e-7	1.4e-7	8.0e-8	1.4e-7			
		-4V	1.4e-5	8.2e-8	8.5e-8	1.7e-7	2.1e-7	1.2e-7	2.3e-7			
		- 10V	9.8e-6	2.7e-7	1.7e-7	3.3e-7	4.0e-7	2.5e-7	4.9e-7			
EQE	%	-2V	45.9	40.1	35.2	42.5	14.8	1.4	0.31			
@940 mm			-4V	47.0	46.3	46.2	46.4	29.3	3.7	0.2		
		-10V	48.1	41.0	37.3	47.8	39.7	28.6	0.9			
		-18V	NA	NA	NA	48.6	42.0	43.3	17.7			
EQE	%	-2V	5.9	16.1	14.9	13.1	13.4	23.6	9.75			
		-4V	6.2	17.2	23.1	15.5	17.7	29.5	13.9			
		-10V	6.53	18.2	17.7	18.3	24.2	36.2	20.5			
		-18V	NA	NA	NA	19.6	27.9	39.2	22.5			

#### **Table S2**. Summary of the photodetector performance

#### 6. Noise spectral density and detectivity of organic photodetector

When considering the flicker noise (1/f-noise) and the thermal noise on the total noise current of the photodetectors, the detectivity is expressed as  $D = R \times \sqrt{A}/S_n$ , where R is responsivity, A is the device area, and S<sub>n</sub> is the noise spectral density.



**Figure S5.** (a) Noise spectral density of organic photodetector with 6 µm active layer thickness. (b) Detectivity of the photodetector by considering shot noise, flicker noise (1/f-noise) and thermal noise.

#### 7. Summary of narrowband OPD performance from literatures.

Table S3. Summa	y of narrowband	<b>OPD</b> performance	from literatures.
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Photo-absorbing materials	PAL thickness (nm)	Peak (nm)	FWHM (nm)	D* (Jones)	EQE (%]	R (A W- 1)	Bias (V)	LDR (dB)	f –3dB (Hz)	Year	PAL deposition method	Ref.
3:PC61BM	150	500	130		8.2	0.03	-1.0			2013	Spin coating	1
2:PC61BM		525	80	1.00E+11	15	0.06	-1.0	80	25,000	2014	Spin coating	2
Су7-Т:С60		850	100	1.00E+12	17	0.12	-1.0			2015	Spin coating	3
DPP-DTT:PC70BM	2000	950	90	4.8E+12		0.06	-1	160	100,000	2015	Spin coating	4
PDTP-DFBT: PC71BM: PbS	4000	890	50	7.98E11	183	1.31	-7	110	360	2016	Drop casting	5
P3HT:PTB7-Th: PC61BM		800	40	3.00E+12			-10	180		2018	Drop casting	6
1(Pyrl):C60	15	481	76	2.00E+11	18	0.07	0			2019	Spin coating	7
PolyTPD:SBDTIC	70	740	141	1.42E+13	10.5	0.06	0	78	118,000	2019	Spin coating	8
PCZ-Th-DPP	300	709	170	4.60E+12			-1.0	109	1,200	2019	Spin coating	9
PCbisDPP:PC61BM		730	210	4.70E+11	80	0.31	-3.0			2019	Spin coating	10
PCE10:P3HT/PCBM	770	780		1E+12	4,5	0.027	-1	76.5	3500	2013	Spin coating	11
PCPDTBT:ZnO	70	725	175		68	0.4				2020	Spin coating	12
PSBOTz:PNDBO		530	155	1.00E+13	16.4	0.07	-2.0			2020	Spin coating	13
DT-PDPP2T-TT/Y6	800	940	66	1.6E+13		0.2				2020	Spin coating	14
1(Pyrl):1(Hex):C60		754	11	1.10E+10	14	0.086	0	61	150,000	2021	Spin coating	15
DMQA:SubPc		586	131	2.30E+12	60.1	0.27	-5.0			2013	Vacuum processing	16

SubNc		690	180		80	0.45	-15.0			2015	Vacuum processing	17
DM-2,9-DMQA:SubPc		580	115	2.00E+12	56.5	0.26	-3.0		76700	2014	Vacuum processing	18
ISQ		680	80	3.20E+12	15		-2.0	114	190,000	2016	Vacuum processing	19
Rubrene:C60		470	80		55	0.21	-1.0		86,000	2016	Vacuum processing	20
M1:C60		550	67	3.73E+13	59	0.26	-3.0			2016	Vacuum processing	21
PSQ		600	110	7.70E+12	66	0.32	-2.5	96		2017	Vacuum processing	22
CilnPc:C60		705	190	3.30E+12	80	0.45	-1.0	77	2900	2019	Vacuum processing	23
1a:C60		560	97	4.37E+13	70	0.32	-3.0			2019	Vacuum processing	24
SubPc:C60		600	70	7.50E+11	16	0.08	-1.0			2021	Vacuum processing	25
PD940	6000	1100	61	1.17E+12	30	0.21	-2	>112	316 at -2V 1389 at -10V	2022	Blade coating	This work

#### 8. Impedance fitting

The equivalent circuit shown in Figure S2(c1) is applied for EIS fitting, where R1 and CPE1 represent bulk resistance and bulk chemical capacitance, respectively; R2 and CPE2 represent interface resistance and interface chemical capacitance, respectively, and R3 represents series resistance.<sup>26</sup> The R<sub>bulk</sub> increases with increasing PAL thickness. The equivalent capacitance is calculated by  $C = \frac{(R.CPE)^{1/n}}{R}$ .





**Figure S6.** Impedance spectra measured at 0V (a1-a5) and -4V (b1-b5) under 520 nm LED illumination with intensity of 4.09 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> and their corresponding fitting results (orange line), (c1) equivalent circuit model for impedance fitting, where R1/CPE1 is related to the bulk, R2/CPE2 is related to the interface, and R3 us related to the series resistance. (c2-c5) the fitting results.

PAL thickness	R1	CPE1	n1		R2	CPE2	n2	R3
μm	ohm	F		S	ohm	F		ohm

Table S4. Impedance fitting results at OV

1.05	1.60e+04	1.52e- 06	1.00e+00	2.43e- 02	8.16e+04	5.39e- 08	7.69e- 01	1.92e+03
1.6	7.42e+04	1.50e- 07	6.45e-01	9.36e- 04	7.87e+03	2.15e- 09	8.23e- 01	3.05e-29
3.5	1.22e+05	1.53e- 07	6.16e-01	1.56e- 03	2.46e+04	2.64e- 09	7.84e- 01	1.33e-19
5.2	7.15e+05	9.32e- 08	5.85e-01	9.76e- 03	1.37e+05	2.18e- 09	7.43e- 01	8.75e-29
10.4	2.05e+06	2.19e- 08	5.98e-01	5.57e- 03	2.53e+06	3.30e- 10	8.08e- 01	3.79e+04

Table S5. Impedance fitting results at -4V

PAL thickness	R1	CPE1	n1	τ1	R2	CPE2	n2	R3
μm	ohm	F		S	ohm	F		ohm
1.05	6.31e+03	4.85e- 08	7.63e- 01	2.48e- 05	1.82e+05	8.25e- 10	9.93e- 01	1.57e+03
1.6	8.93e+04	4.14e- 09	8.10e- 01	5.79e- 05	3.09e+04	9.47e- 10	9.39e- 01	1.85e+03
3.5	2.60e+04	2.34e- 08	7.66e- 01	6.34e- 05	6.67e+04	3.19e- 10	9.26e- 01	1.19e+02
5.2	1.47e+05	3.39e- 07	4.28e- 01	9.05e- 04	2.23e+05	1.54e- 10	9.50e- 01	2.43e+02
10.4	1.67e+06	2.90e- 08	6.81e- 01	1.17e- 02	4.87e+06	6.38e- 11	9.89e- 01	3.88e+04

#### 9. Optical simulation

The reflection and transmission of the structure are calculated using  $R = \left| \frac{M_{21}}{M_{11}} \right|^2$  and

$$T = \frac{n_s \cos\theta_s}{n_0 \cos\theta_0} \left| \frac{1}{M_{11}} \right|^2$$
, where M<sub>11</sub> and M<sub>22</sub> are derived from the matrix as follows.

$$[M_{11} M_{12} M_{21} M_{22}] = D_{12} P_2 \dots D_{i-1,i} P_i D_{i,i+1}$$

,where  $D_{i,i+1}$  is transmission matrix.

$$D_{i,i+1} = \frac{1}{t_{i,i+1}} [1 r_{i,i+1} r_{i,i+1} M_{22}]$$

,where  $r_{i,i\,+\,1}$  and  $t_{i,i\,+\,1}$  are Fresnel reflection and transmission coefficients. For TE light propagation,

$$r_{i,i+1} = \frac{\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_i - \tilde{n}_{i+1} cos\theta_{i+1}}{\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_i + \tilde{n}_{i+1} cos\theta_{i+1}}$$
$$t_{i,i+1} = \frac{2\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_i}{\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_i + \tilde{n}_{i+1} cos\theta_{i+1}}$$

For TM light propagation,

$$r_{i,i+1} = \frac{\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_{i+1} - \tilde{n}_{i+1} cos\theta_i}{\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_{i+1} + \tilde{n}_{i+1} cos\theta_i}$$
$$t_{i,i+1} = \frac{2\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_i}{\tilde{n}_i cos\theta_{i+1} + \tilde{n}_{i+1} cos\theta_i}$$

, where  $n_i$  is the complex refractive index,  $n_i = n_i + jk_i$ .

The absorption in each layer is calculated from propagation matrix (P<sub>i</sub>).

$$P_i = \left[ e^{-j\phi_i} 0 \ 0 \ e^{j\phi_i} \right]$$

,where  $\phi_i$  is the phase shift,  $\phi_i = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \tilde{n}_i h_i$  , where  $h_i$  is the thickness of i layer

Optical absorption ( $P_{abs}$ ) is directly proportional to the whole E-field intensity ( $|E|^2$ ). It can be expressed as

$$P_{abs} = \frac{1}{2}\omega\varepsilon_0 nk|E|^2$$

where  $\omega$  is the angular frequency,  $\epsilon_0$  is the vacuum permittivity and n and k are the real and imaginary parts of the refractive index.<sup>27</sup>,28·29

#### 10. Optical setup

The setup of NIR imaging by narrowband organic photodetector is shown in **Figure S5a**. The monochromatic light at 1100 nm wavelength passing an optical chopper with a chopping frequency of 400 Hz is applied as a light source. The Si sample is placed on X-Z motorized stage and OPD is place on next to the sample holder. The scanning of the image is done by moving the X-Z motorized stage controlled by a microcontroller. The photocurrent at each scan point is acquired by a lock-in amplifier. The setup for angularly and spectrally resolved EQE spectra is shown in **Figure S5b**. The monochromatic light at various wavelengths passing an optical chopper with a chopping frequency of 400 Hz is applied as a light source. The OPD is placed on a rotational stage. The photocurrent of OPD at each angle and

applied bias is acquired by a lock-in amplifier. The light intensity is calibrated by a Si (818-UV) and Ge





**Figure S7.** (a) Illustration of the image scanner setup composed of a light source, an x-z two-axis moving stage, and an organic photodetector readout circuit measured at the monochromatic light illumination of 1100 nm in transmission mode. (b) Illustration of the angular-dependent EQE scan setup.

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