### **Supporting Information**

# New Core-expanded Naphthalene Diimides with Different Functional groups for Air-stable Solution-processed Organic *n*-type

## Semiconductors

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#### 1. TGA-DTA analysis



Figure S1. TGA-DTA curves of 1–4 (A–D), heating rate: 10 °C/min. from 25 °C to 550 °C under nitrogen atmosphere.

#### 2. Cyclic voltammograms of 2 and 4



Figure S2. Cyclic voltammograms of **2** (*left*) and **4** (*right*) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  ( $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$  M) at a scan rate of 100 mV·s<sup>-1</sup>, with Pt as the working and counter electrodes and Ag/AgCl electrode (saturated KCl) as the reference electrode, and *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub> (0.1 M) as supporting electrolyte.

#### 3. UV-Vis absorption spectra of 2 and 4



Figure S3. Normalized absorption spectra of 2 (*left*) and 4 (*right*) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and thin films.

#### 4. DFT calculation data of 2 and 4

Calculation method: B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) with Gaussian 09



Figure S4. LUMO, HOMO orbitals and structures of compounds 2 (*left*) and 4 (*right*) obtained by DFT calculations; the alkyl chains were replaced by methyl groups in the calculations.

Data for compound **1**:

		Coordinates		
		Х	Y	Z
1	С	-2.037588	0.753648	-0.821000
2	С	-1.936049	-0.676555	-0.884539
3	С	-0.676501	-1.283583	-0.817182
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5	С	0.389792	0.892672	-0.493482
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9	С	2.746578	1.046161	0.003865
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42	Н	0.732325	-5.025148	-2.014518
43	Н	1.684969	-5.129040	-0.503618

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44	Н	-0.104209	-5.262986	-0.471801
45	Н	7.181286	1.926112	0.952151
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Coordinates

#### total energy: -4172.52218358 Hartrees

Data for compound 2:

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total energy: -3125.55871234 Hartrees

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total energy: -2804.80618111 Hartrees

#### 5. Transfer, output characteristics and stability studies for OFET of 1-4



Figure S5. Transfer and output characteristics for OFET of **2** (*left*) and **4** (*right*) after annealing at 180 °C; the channel width (*W*) and length (*L*) were 1440  $\mu$ m and 50  $\mu$ m, respectively.



Figure S6. Variation of electron mobilities (*left*) and on/off ratio (*right*) for OFET devices of 1-4 left in air for 10 days.





Figure S7. XRD patterns of thin films of 2 (*left*) and 4 (*right*) after annealing at 120 °C, 160 °C and 180 °C, respectively.



Figure S8. AFM images of thin films of **2** (*above*) and **4** (*below*) after annealing at 120 °C, 160 °C and 180 °C, respectively.



Figure S9. AFM images of thin films of **1** (A) and **3** (B) (upper) and the respective cross-section analysis of the line marked in upper AFM images for thin films of **1** (A) and **3** (B) (lower).















