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Supporting information for

Fluorous-Inorganic Hybrid Dielectric Materials for Solution-

Processed Electronic Devices

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Experimental

Equipment

¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova-400 (400 MHz) spectrometer at ambient temperature. Chemical shift were measured versus residual protic solvent (CHCl₃ at δ 7.26 ppm), which was used as an internal reference. All chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million (ppm) relative to the internal reference and coupling constants *J* are measured in Hz. The multiplicities of signals are abbreviated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), dd (doublet of doublets), dt (doublet of multiplets), tt (triplet of triplets), and br s (broad singlet).

Synthesis of 7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,13,13,14,14,14-heptadecafluoro-

tetradecanoic acid



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2-(5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-Heptadecafluorododecyl)malonic acid¹ (0.5 g) was completely dissolved in DMF and the resulting solution was refluxed at 190 °C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was then distilled under reduced pressure to remove DMF. The concentrate was diluted with CHCl₃ and the insoluble starting material was filtered off. Activated carbon powder was added to the CHCl₃ solution and stirred for 10 min. After removing the activated carbon by filtration, the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The concentrate was placed in freezer to crystallize the carboxylic acid **3**, which was obtained as a brown solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ) 2.37 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, CH₂COOH), 1.68 (m, 2H, CH₂CH₂COOH), 1.43 (m, 2H, CF₂CH₂CH₂CH₂), 1.61 (m, 2H, CF₂CH₂CH₂), 2.05 (m, 2H, CF₂CH₂). $\delta_{\rm H}$ data is in agreement with literature values.²



Figure S1. Synthesis of (a) tri-*n*-octylphosphine oxide (TOPO) stabilised HfO_2 (1) and (b) ZrO_2 nanoparticles (2)

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Figure S2. Low-magnification transmission electron microscopy (TEM) images of (a) TOPO-stabilised HfO_2 nanorods (1) and (b) ZrO_2 nanospheres (2) on carbon-coated copper grid [Inset images in (a) and (d) are Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) patterns of the selected regions shown as dotted boxes]. (b-c) and (e-f) Close-up views of high resolution TEM (HRTEM) images of HfO_2 and ZrO_2 lattices.



Figure S3. X-ray diffraction patterns of TOPO-stabilised HfO₂ nanorods (1) and TOPO-stabilised ZrO₂ nanospheres (2).



Figure S4. Thermogravimetric analysis of (a) TOPO-stabilised HfO₂ (1) and (b) TOPO-stabilised ZrO₂ (2).

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