Electronic Supplementary Information for

6,13-Dicyano pentacene-2,3:9,10-bis(dicarboximide) for solution-processed air-stable n-channel field effect transistors and complementary circuit

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Fig. S1 Florescence spectrum of compounds **1** in $CHCl_3$ (1 × 10⁻⁶ M). Excitation wavelength is 361 nm.



2. Thermal behavior of compound 1

Fig. S2 Thermogravimetric analysis curve of compound 1 under nitrogen.



3. Additional morphological and electrical characterizations

Figure S3. Transfer plots ($V_D = 70$ V) for a fresh device (solid line) and after 6 months storage in N_2 (a) or air (b). (a) The devices were tested in N_2 ; (b) the devices were tested in air.



Fig. S4 (a) Polarized optical microscopy image of drop casted thin film from DCB solution; (b, d) tapping-mode AFM images of the thin film from DCB solution; (c) X-ray diffraction of the thin film in logarithmic scale.

4. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of compounds 5, 6, 8 and 1.





 ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of compound **5** in CDCl₃



¹H NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of compound **6** in CDCl₃







 ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of compound 8 in CDCl₃



 ^1H NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of compound $\boldsymbol{1}$ in CDCl_3



5. MALDI-TOF spectrum of compound 1



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