

# Electronic supplementary information for the manuscript: “Design of indigo derivatives as environment-friendly organic semiconductors for sustainable organic electronics”

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## Additional Experimental Details

### Synthesis of substituted nitrobenzaldehydes

The precursor aldehydes were prepared using procedures previously reported in the literature: 4-bromo-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 5551-12-2)<sup>1</sup>, 5-bromo-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 20357-20-4)<sup>1</sup>, 4-chloro-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 5551-11-1)<sup>2</sup>, 5-chloro-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 6628-86-0)<sup>3</sup>, 4-Fluoro-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 2923-96-8)<sup>4</sup>, 5-Fluoro-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 395-81-3)<sup>5</sup>, 4-formyl-3-nitro-benzonitrile (CAS: 90178-78-2)<sup>6</sup>, 4-(trifluoromethyl)-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (CAS: 109466-87-7)<sup>7</sup>.

### Synthesis of 4,5-difluoro-2-[(N-carboxymethyl)amino] benzoic acid

4,5-difluoro-2-bromobenzoic acid (5.00 g, 21 mmol) was placed in a 100 mL round bottom flask and a solution of 85% KOH (0.66 g, 21 mmol) in 5 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added under stirring. Then glycine (3.15 g, 42 mmol) was added to the homogeneous slurry followed by copper powder (0.113 g, 2.1 mmol) and cuprous iodide (0.158 g, 0.8 mmol). The reaction flask was immersed into an oil bath at 60 °C and potassium carbonate (2.90 g, 21 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture became blue and a thick precipitate appeared. A portion of 16 mL of deionized H<sub>2</sub>O was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for additional 90 min. Afterwards, the mixture was quenched with 63 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O and acidified to pH=1 with 10 mL of 32% HCl. This resulted in intense foaming and appearance of a thick precipitate. The mixture was extracted with 300 mL of ethyl ether in 5 portions, and the combined organic extracts were washed with 30 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O, 4 × 5 mL of 5% aqueous solution of disodium salt of EDTA, 10 mL of saturated aqueous NaCl and dried with magnesium sulfate. Evaporation of the solvent at 35 °C gave crude product (2.56 g, 94% yield) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>): δ= 4.00 (s, 2H), 6.68 (dd, J = 6.8, 13.7 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, J = 9.5, 11.5 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (b, 1H), ~12.9 (b, 1H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>): δ= 43.53 (s), 100.31 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 106.1 (s), 119.44 (d, J = 17.8 Hz), 139.80 (dd, J = 233.4, 11.5 Hz), 148.43 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 153.82 (dd, J = 250.24, 13.2 Hz), 168.12 (s), 171.55 (s) ppm.

**Synthesis of 5,6-difluoro-N,O-diacetyloxyl.** A portion of 4,5-difluoro-2-[(N-carboxymethyl)amino] benzoic acid (3.00 g, 13 mmol) was dissolved in 20 mL of redistilled acetic anhydride in a 50 mL round bottom flask with a gentle warming. Then anhydrous sodium acetate (1.39 g, 17 mmol) was added and the flask was immersed into an oil bath preheated to 135-137 °C. The solids readily dissolved, the mixture turned a cloudy yellowish brown and evolution of gas was observed. The cloudiness disappeared and evolution of gas stopped in 10–15 min. The mixture was allowed to cool to a room temperature and a yellowish precipitate appeared. This precipitate was filtered off, washed with a solution of sodium acetate (0.6 g) in 5 mL of acetic acid, and dissolved in 15 mL of ice cold H<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous solution was extracted with diethyl ether (3x50 mL) and combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. Concentration of this solution at the rotary evaporator to dryness produced 2.59 g of the title product (yield 76%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 7.30 (dd, J = 7.66, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (s, 1H), 8.36 (dd, J = 6.9, 11.1 Hz, 1H) ppm.

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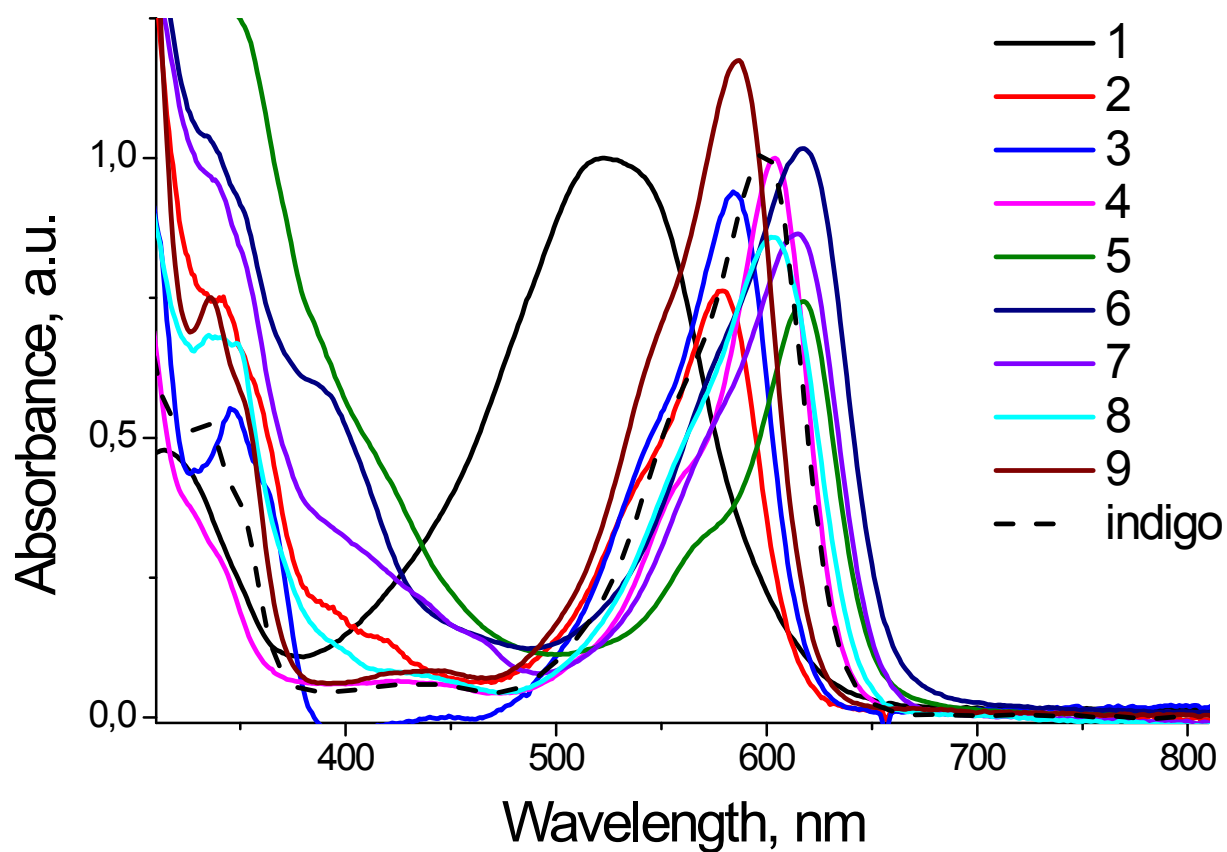


Figure S1 Absorption spectra of indigoids **1-9** in 1,2-dichlorobenzene

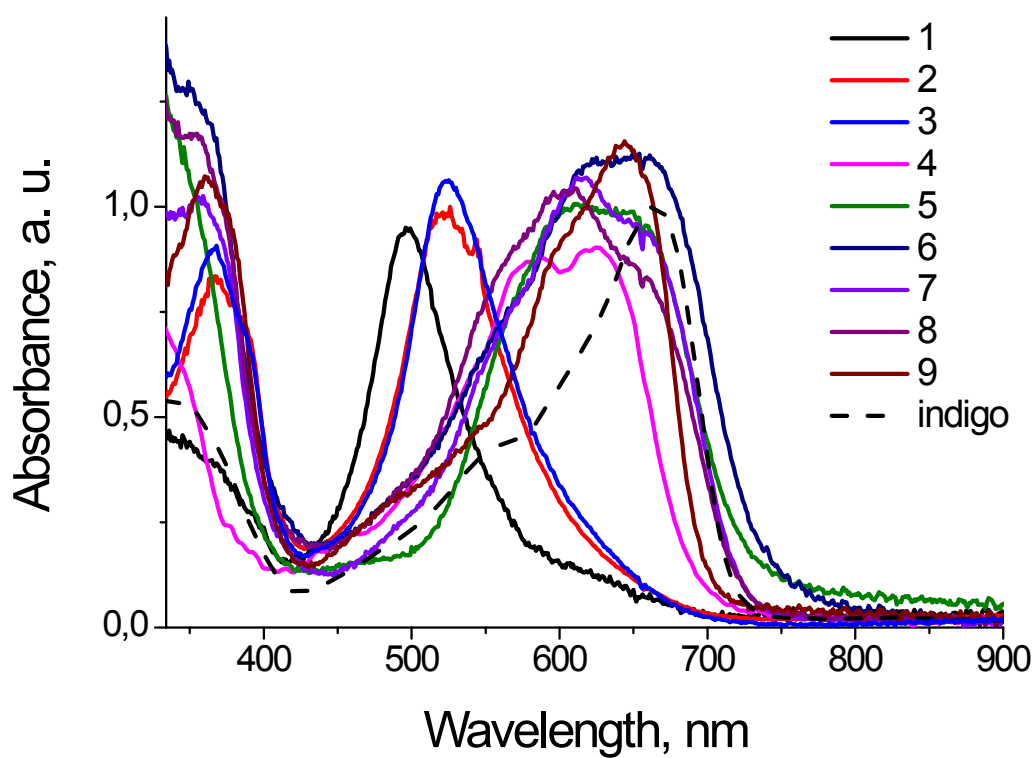


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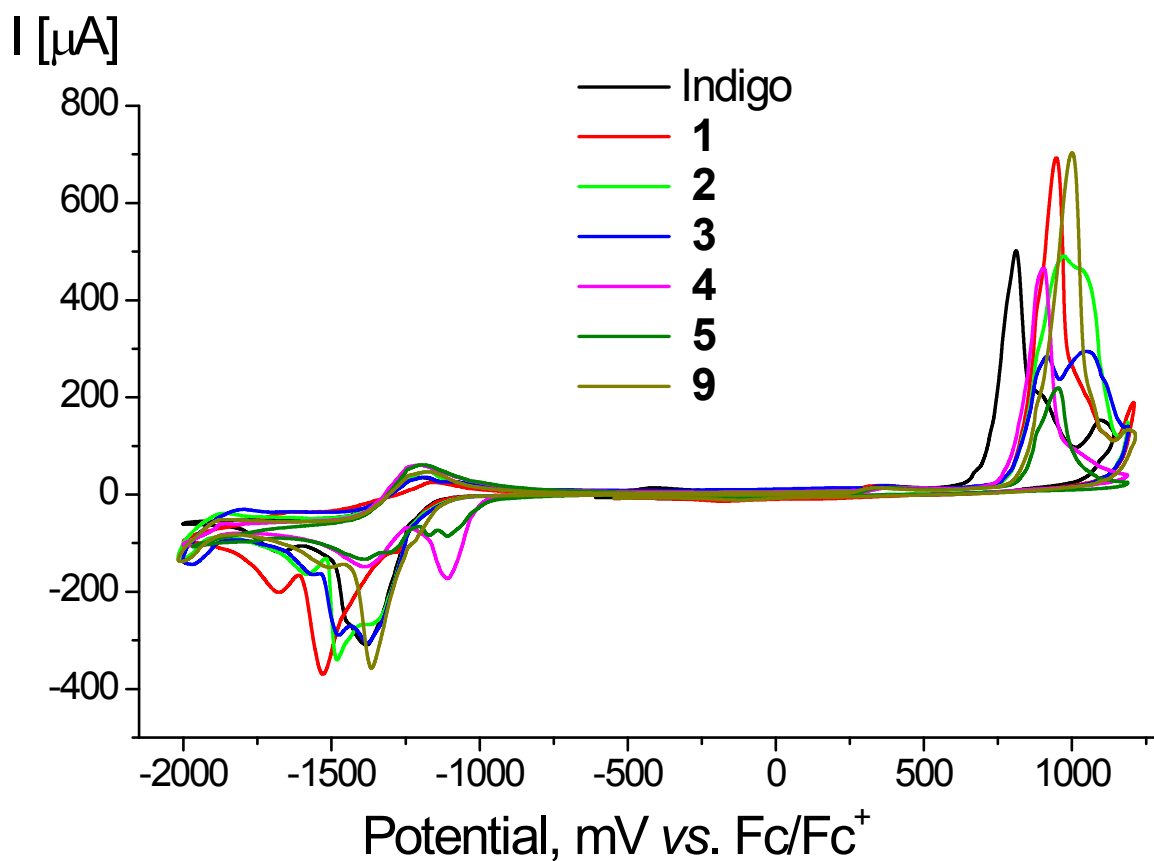


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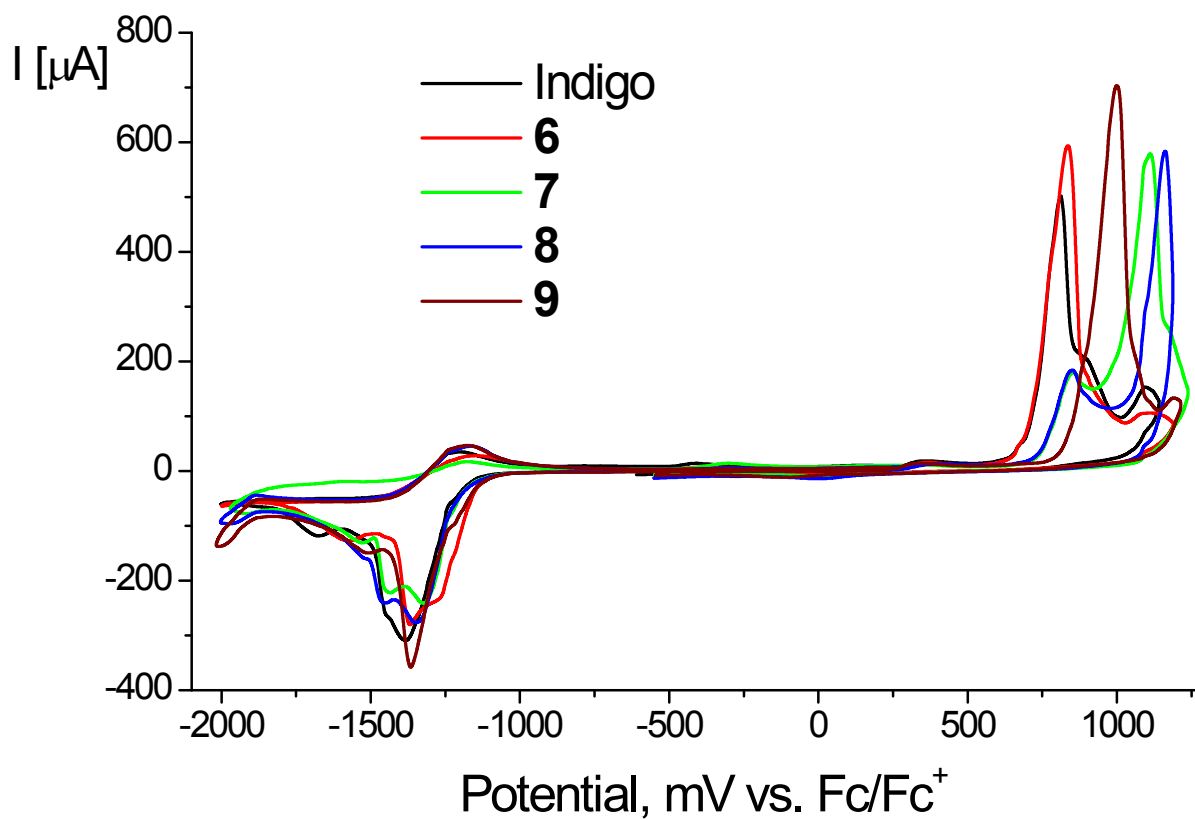


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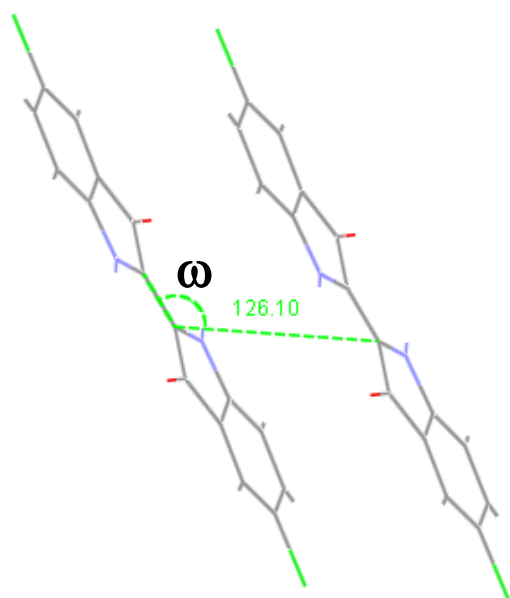


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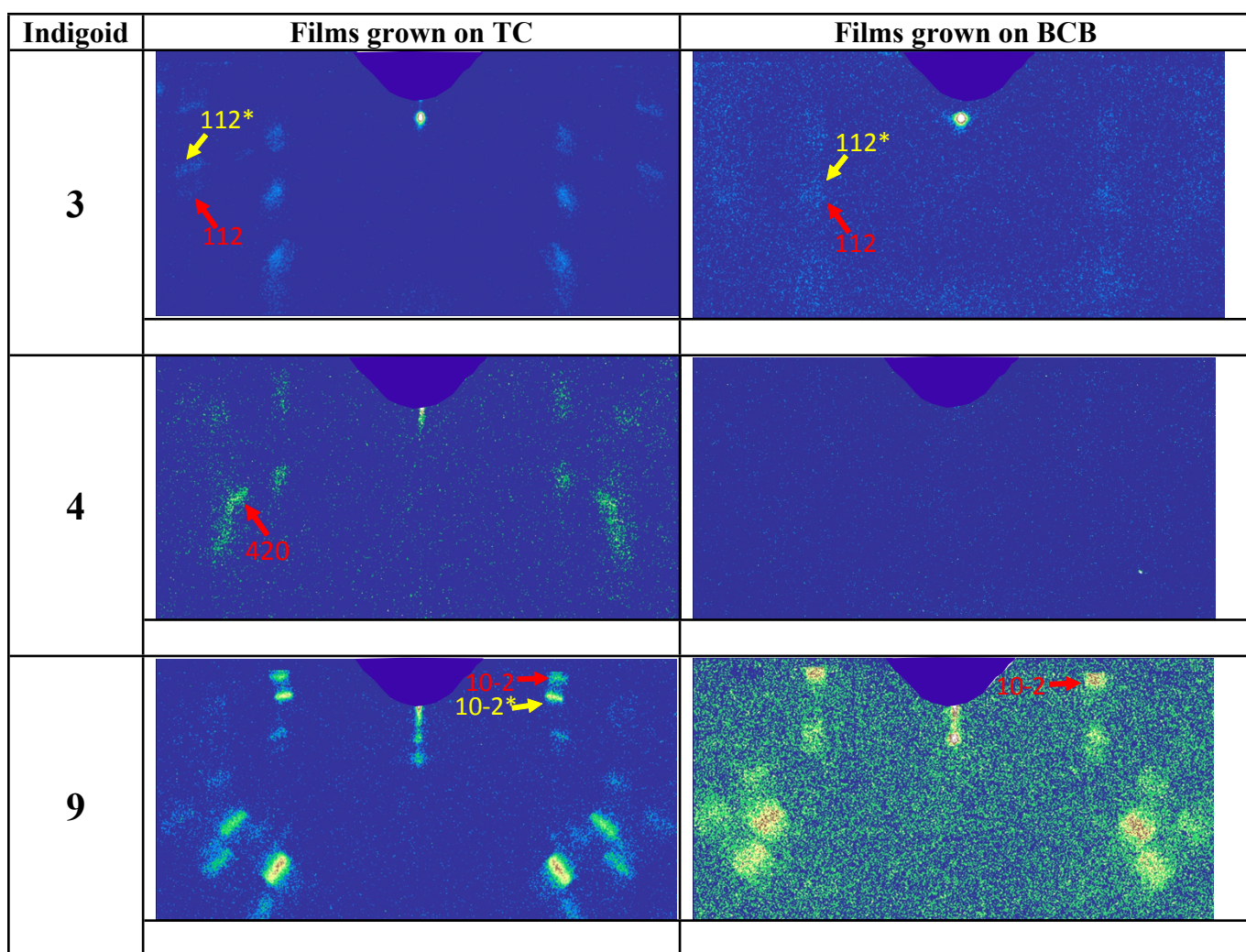


Fig. S6. GIWAXS patterns for thin films of indigoids **3**, **4** and **9** grown on TC and BCB. Arrows indicate reflections corresponding to the  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking distance in the bulk (red) and surface (yellow) structure.

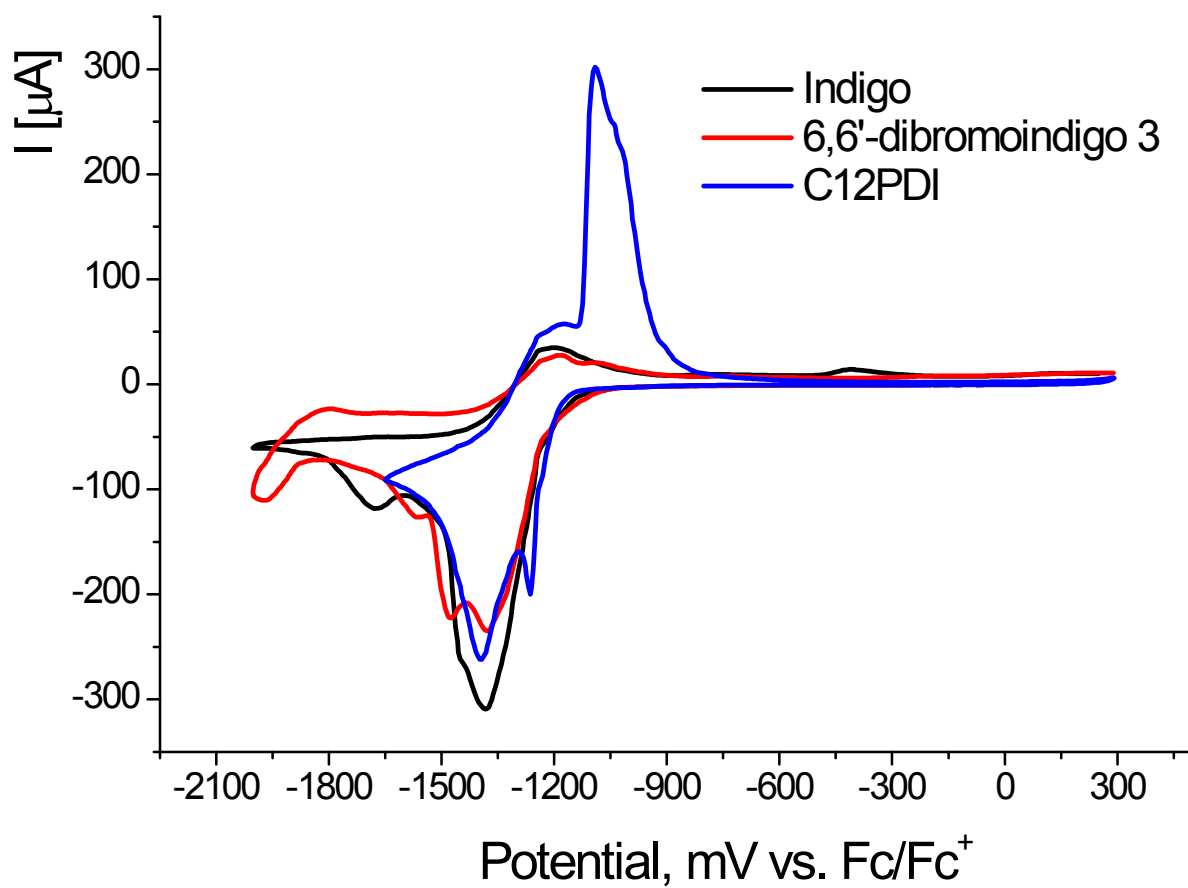


Figure S7 Cyclic voltammograms of indigo, 6,6'-dibromoindigo and C12PDI obtained under the same conditions

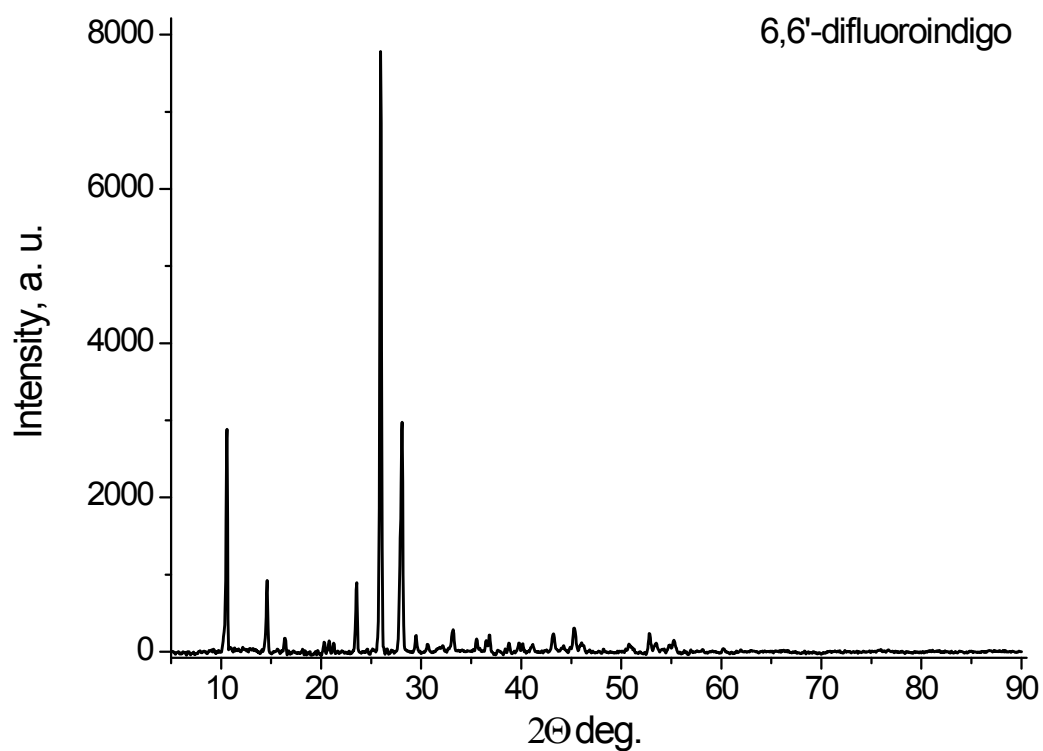


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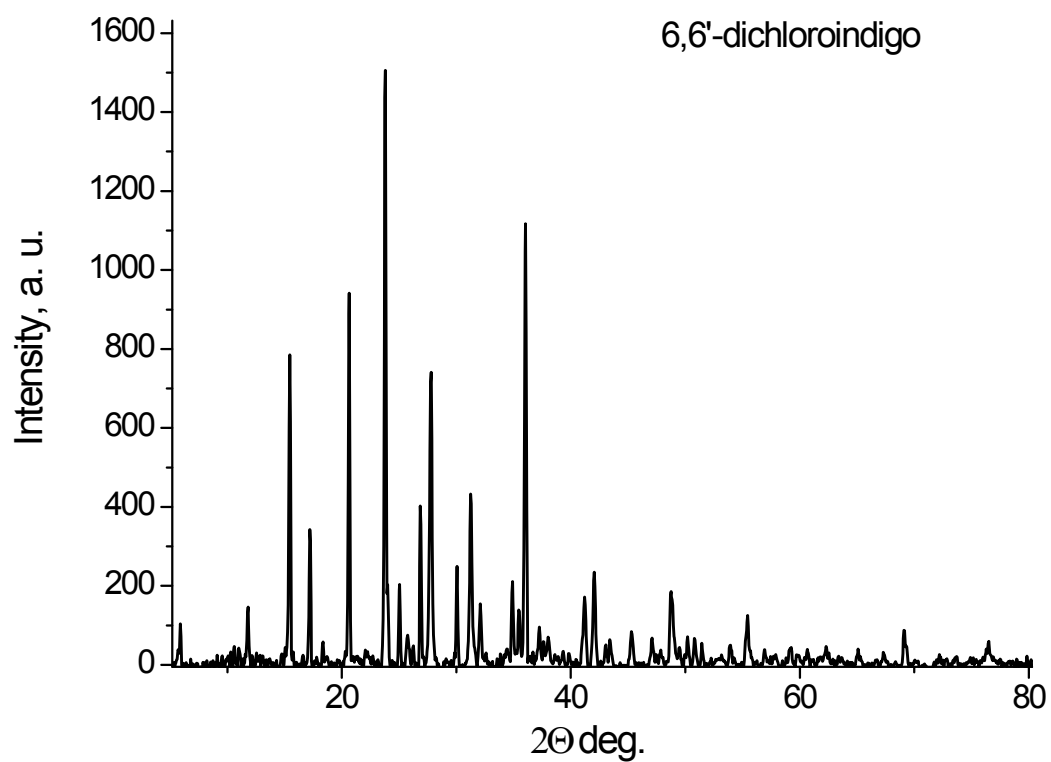


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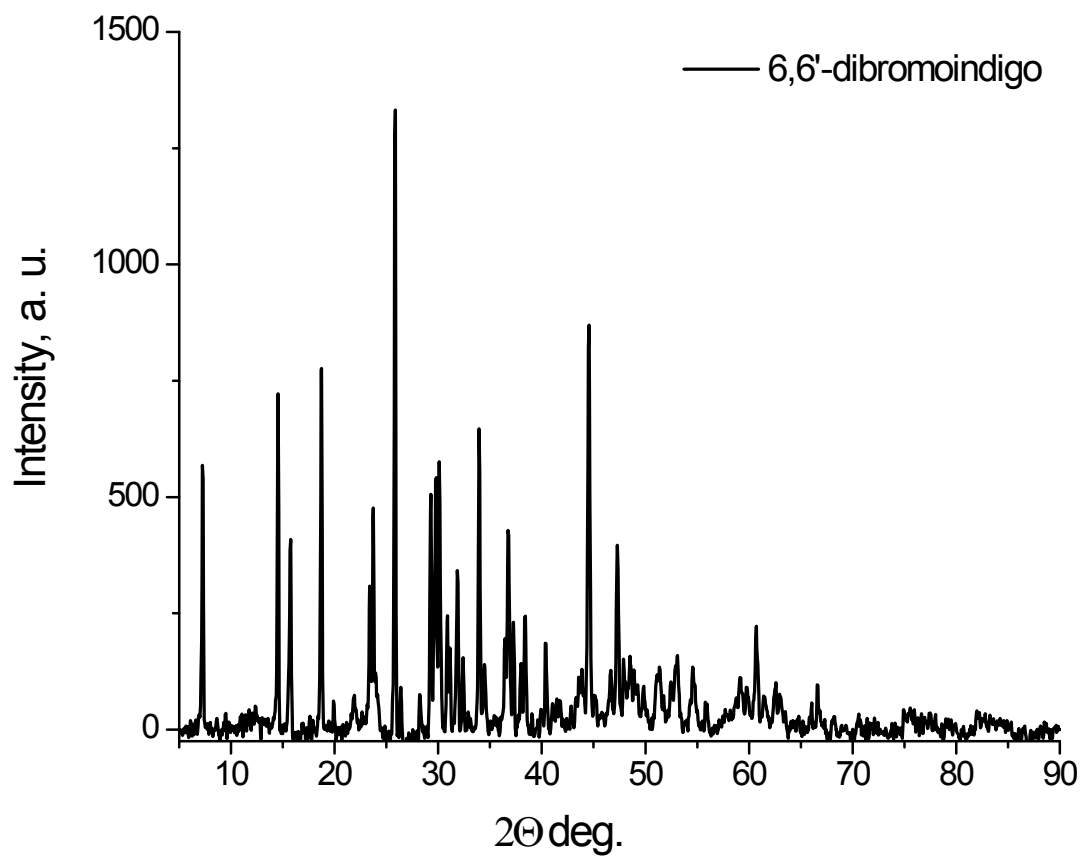


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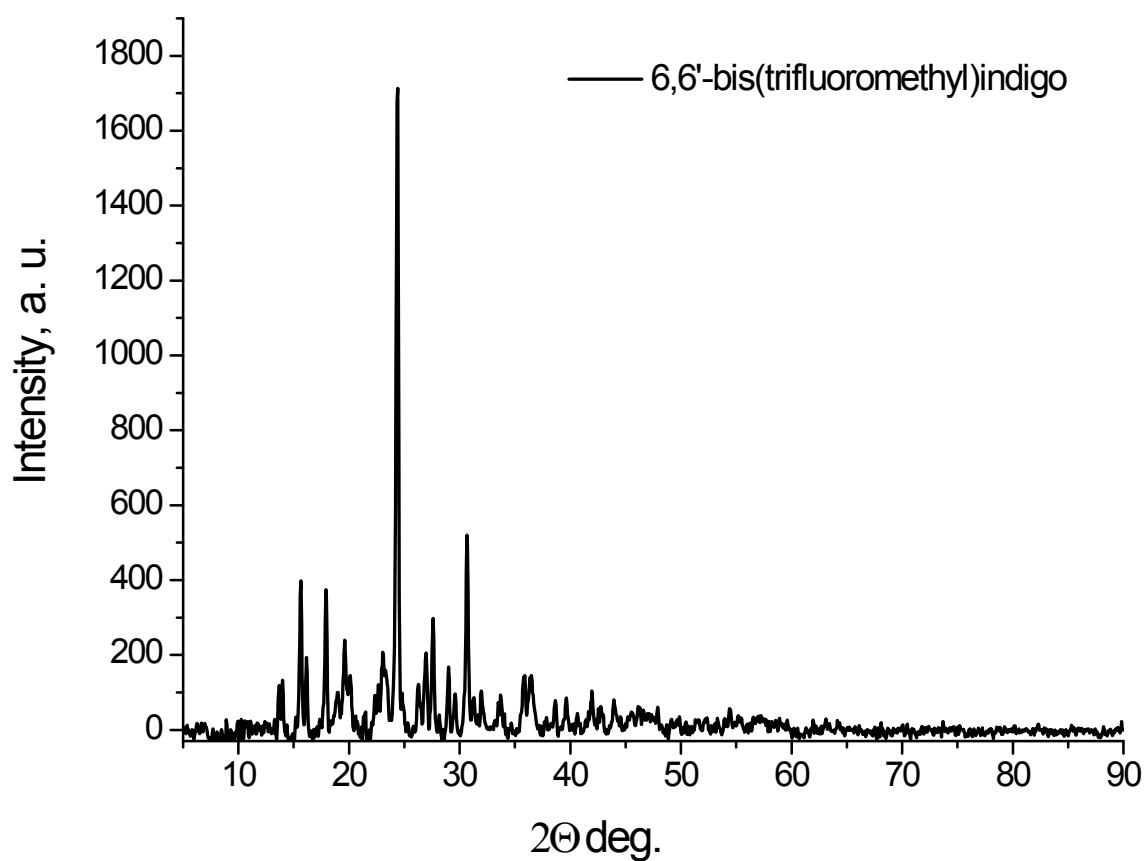


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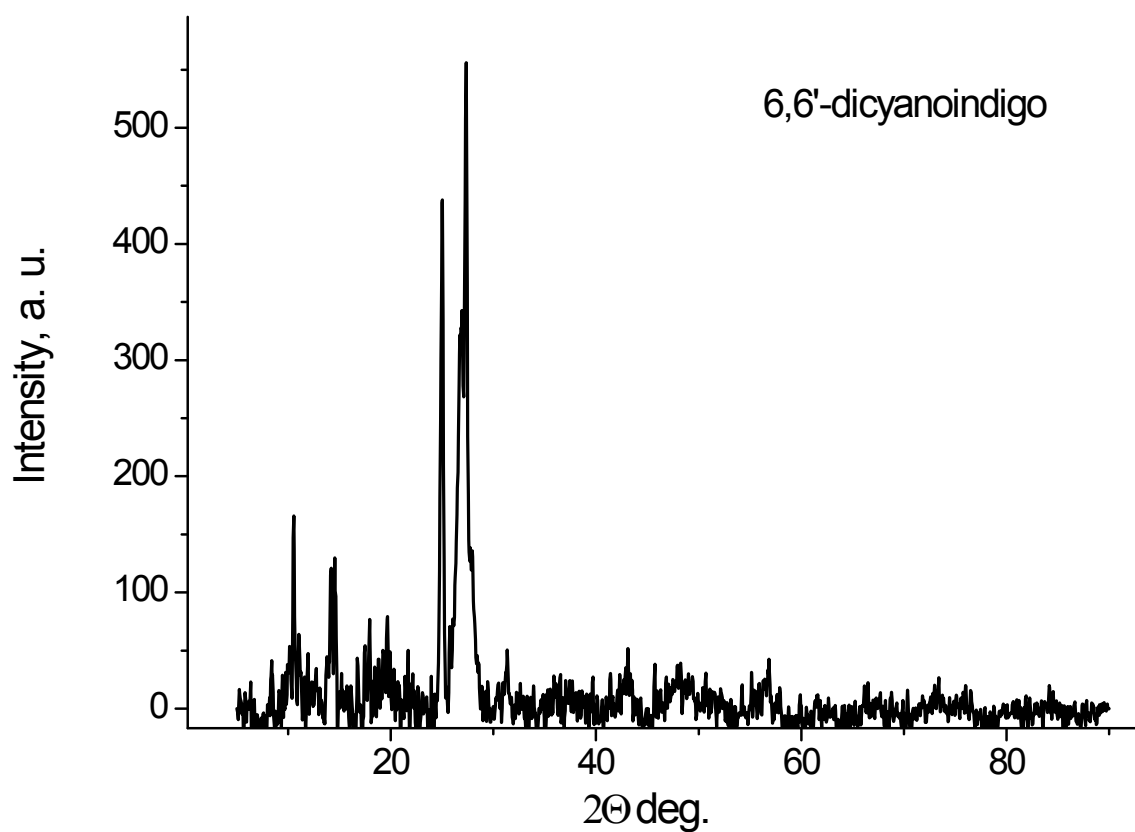


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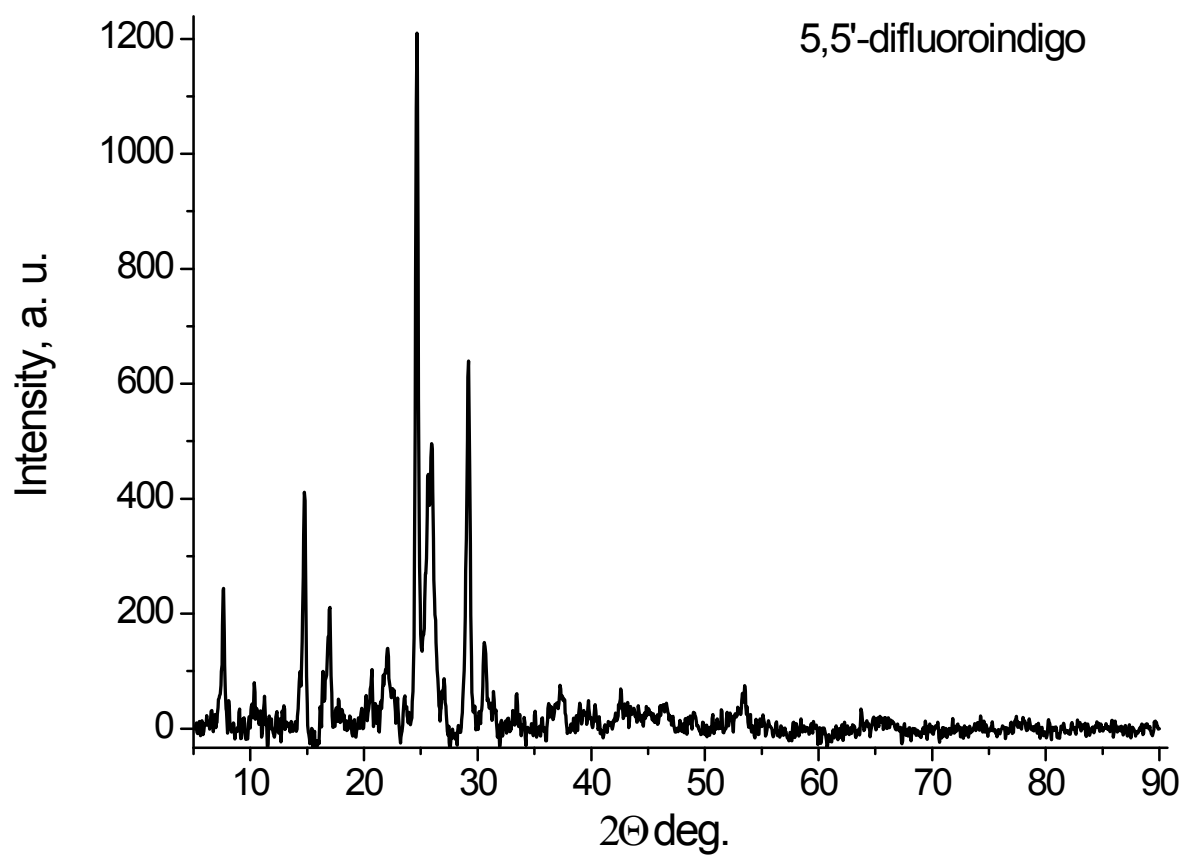


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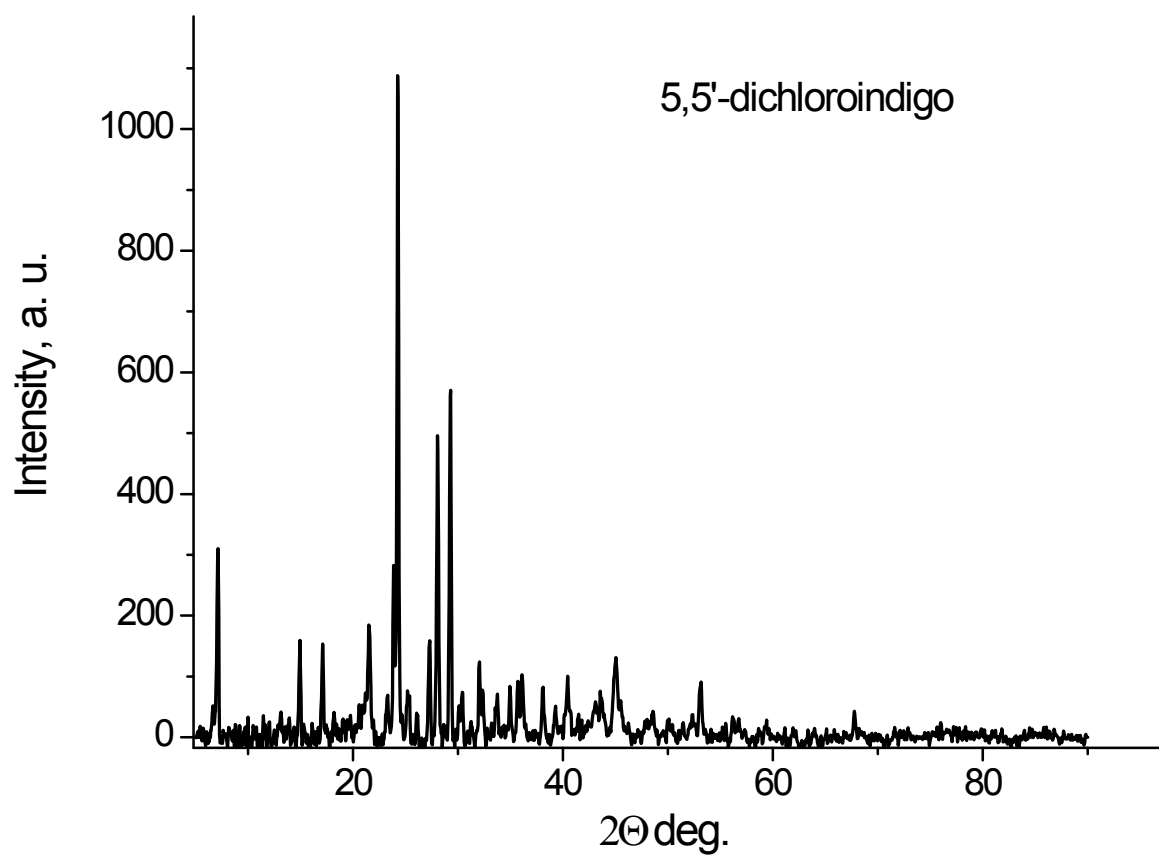


Fig. S14. Powder XRD pattern of indigoid 7.

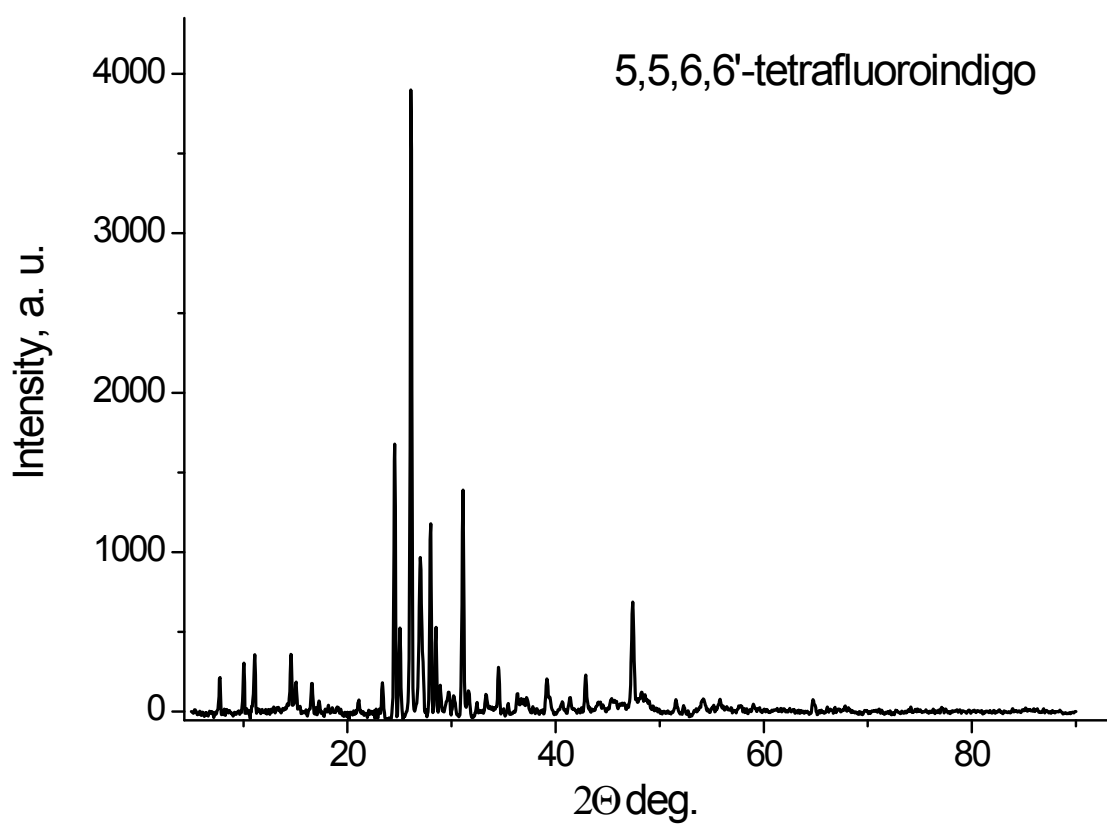


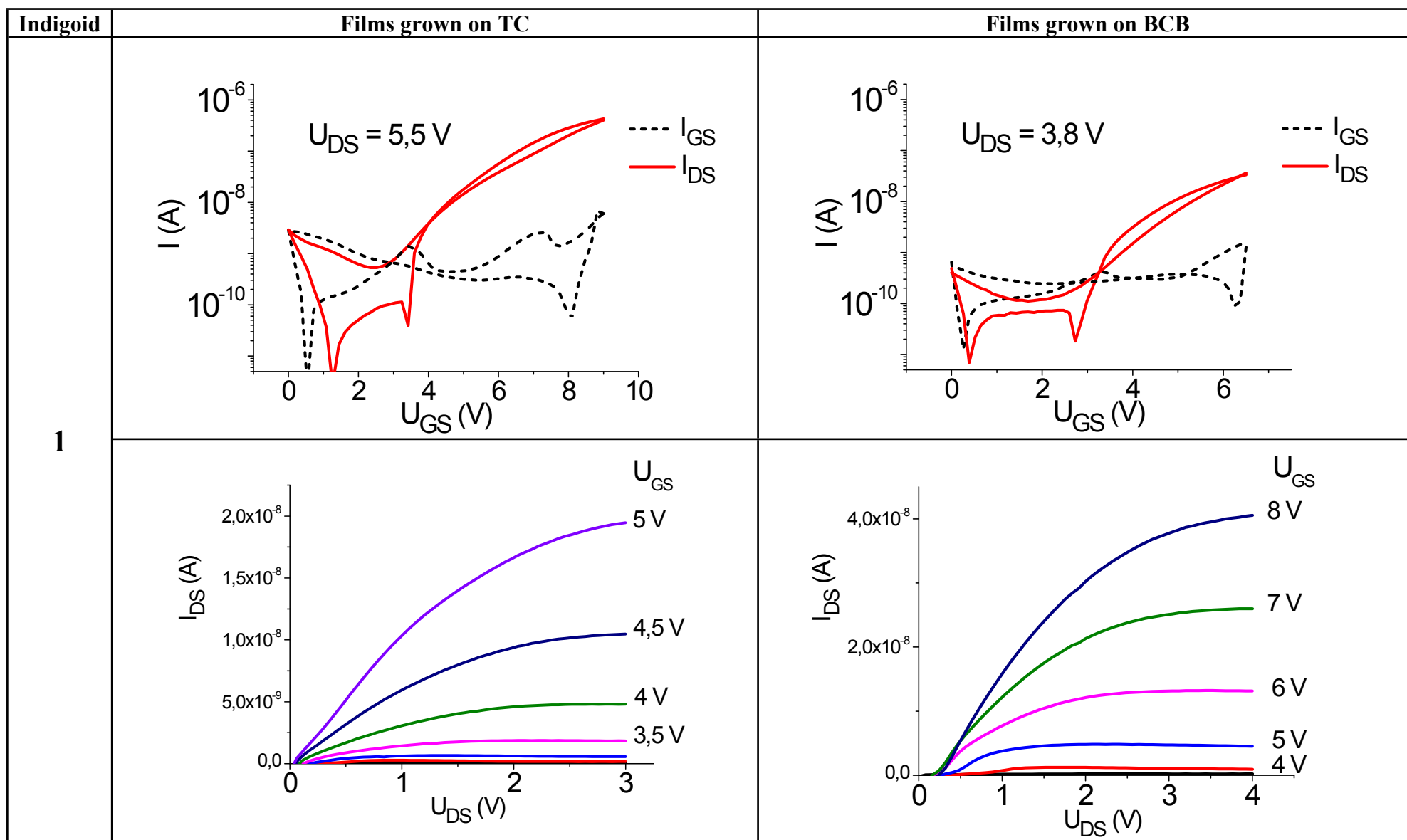
Fig. S15. Powder XRD pattern of indigoid 9.

**Table S1 Characteristics of OFETs fabricated with silver source and drain electrodes**

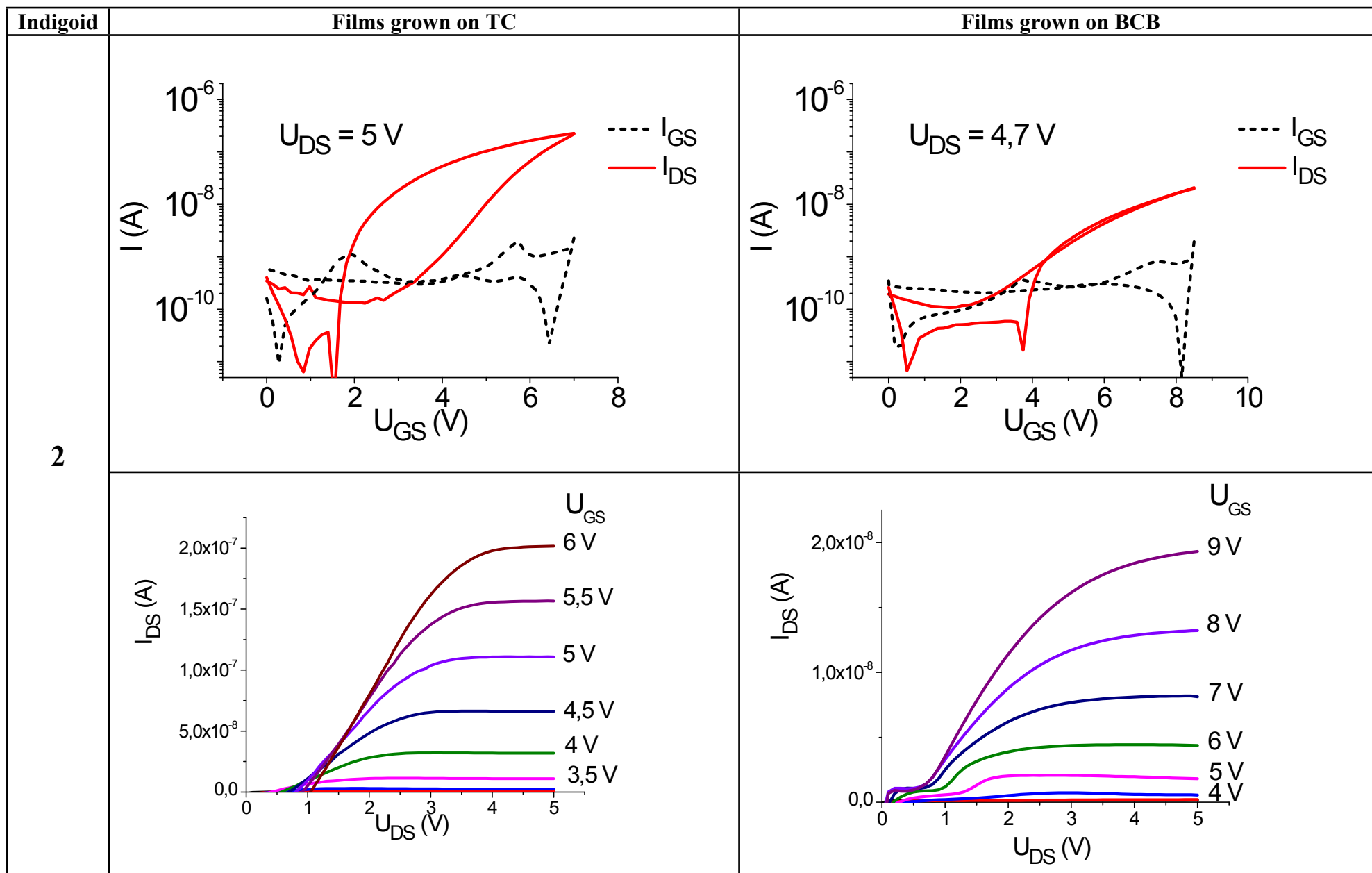
| Indigoid      | Diel. | $I_{on}/I_{off}$    | $\frac{I_{on}/I_{off}(TC)}{I_{on}/I_{off}(BCB)}$ | $\mu, \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{V}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ | $\mu_e(TC)/\mu_e(BCB)$ |
|---------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>1</b>      | TC    | $\sim 4 \cdot 10^3$ | 8.0                                              | $3.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | 2.1                    |
|               | BCB   | $\sim 5 \cdot 10^2$ |                                                  | $1.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        |                        |
| <b>2</b>      | TC    | $\sim 3 \cdot 10^4$ | 150                                              | $5.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | 21                     |
|               | BCB   | $\sim 2 \cdot 10^2$ |                                                  | $6.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$                                        |                        |
| <b>3</b>      | TC    | $\sim 6 \cdot 10^4$ | 300                                              | $7.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | 28.5                   |
|               | BCB   | $\sim 2 \cdot 10^2$ |                                                  | $2.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$                                        |                        |
| <b>4</b>      | TC    | $\sim 1 \cdot 10^4$ | -                                                | $1.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | -                      |
|               | BCB   | -                   |                                                  | -                                                          |                        |
| <b>5*</b>     | TC    | 13                  | 2                                                | $1.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$                                        | 0.13                   |
|               | BCB   | 6                   |                                                  | $7.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$                                        |                        |
| <b>6</b>      | TC    | 125                 | -                                                | $1.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$                                        | -                      |
|               | BCB   | -                   |                                                  | -                                                          |                        |
| <b>7</b>      | TC    | $\sim 3 \cdot 10^3$ | 16                                               | $1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | 24                     |
|               | BCB   | 186                 |                                                  | $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$                                          |                        |
| <b>8</b>      | TC    | 550                 | 11                                               | $3.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$                                        | 15.6                   |
|               | BCB   | 50                  |                                                  | $2.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$                                        |                        |
| <b>9</b>      | TC    | $\sim 5 \cdot 10^4$ | 25                                               | $3.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | 1.9                    |
|               | BCB   | $\sim 2 \cdot 10^3$ |                                                  | $1.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        |                        |
| <b>Indigo</b> | TC    | $10^4$              | 100                                              | $3.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$                                        | 16.7                   |
|               | BCB   | $1 \cdot 10^2$      |                                                  | $1.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$                                        |                        |

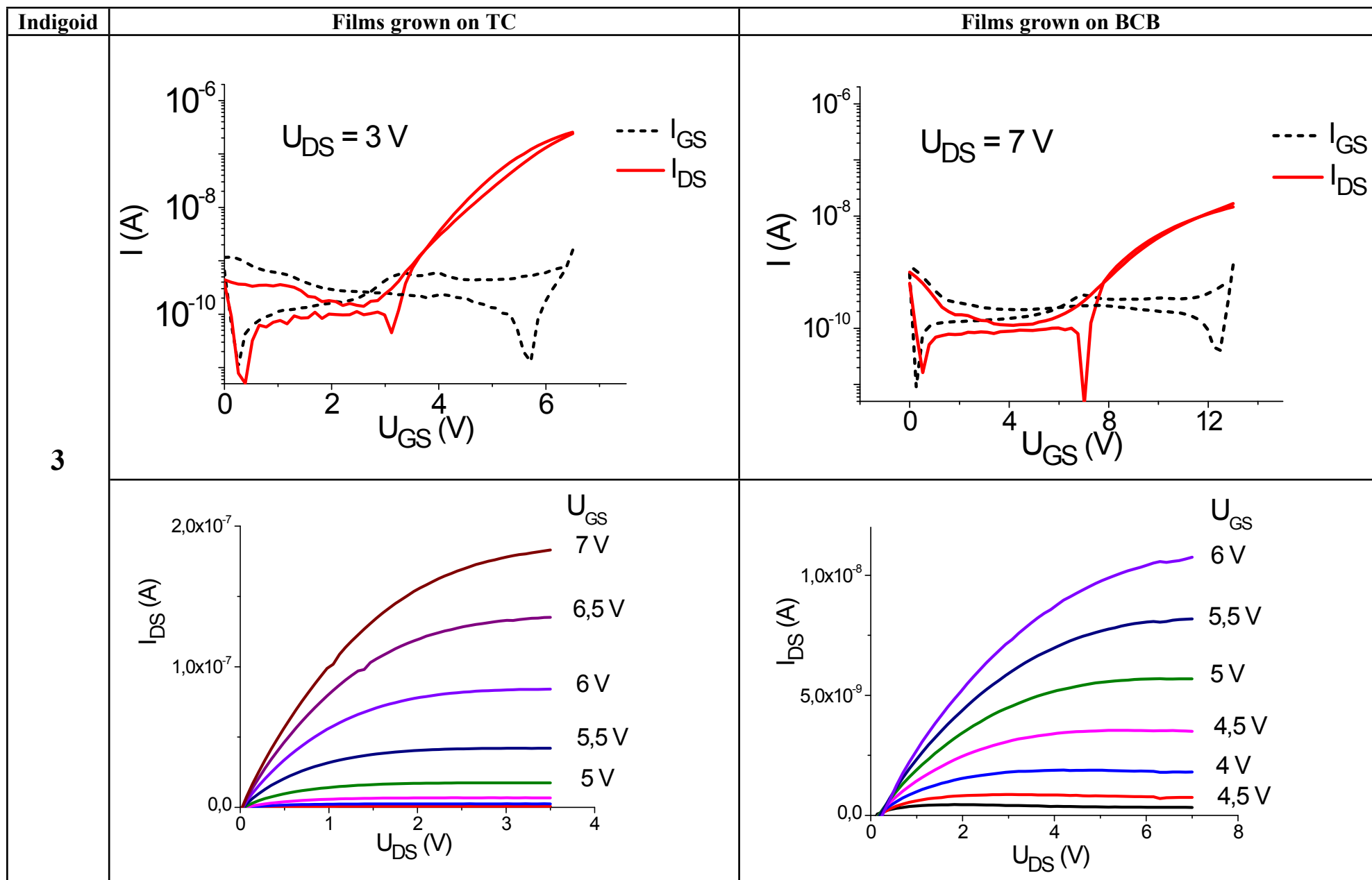
\* Parameters calculated for OFETs might be not very precise due to very low semiconductor performance of 6,6'-dicyanoindigo

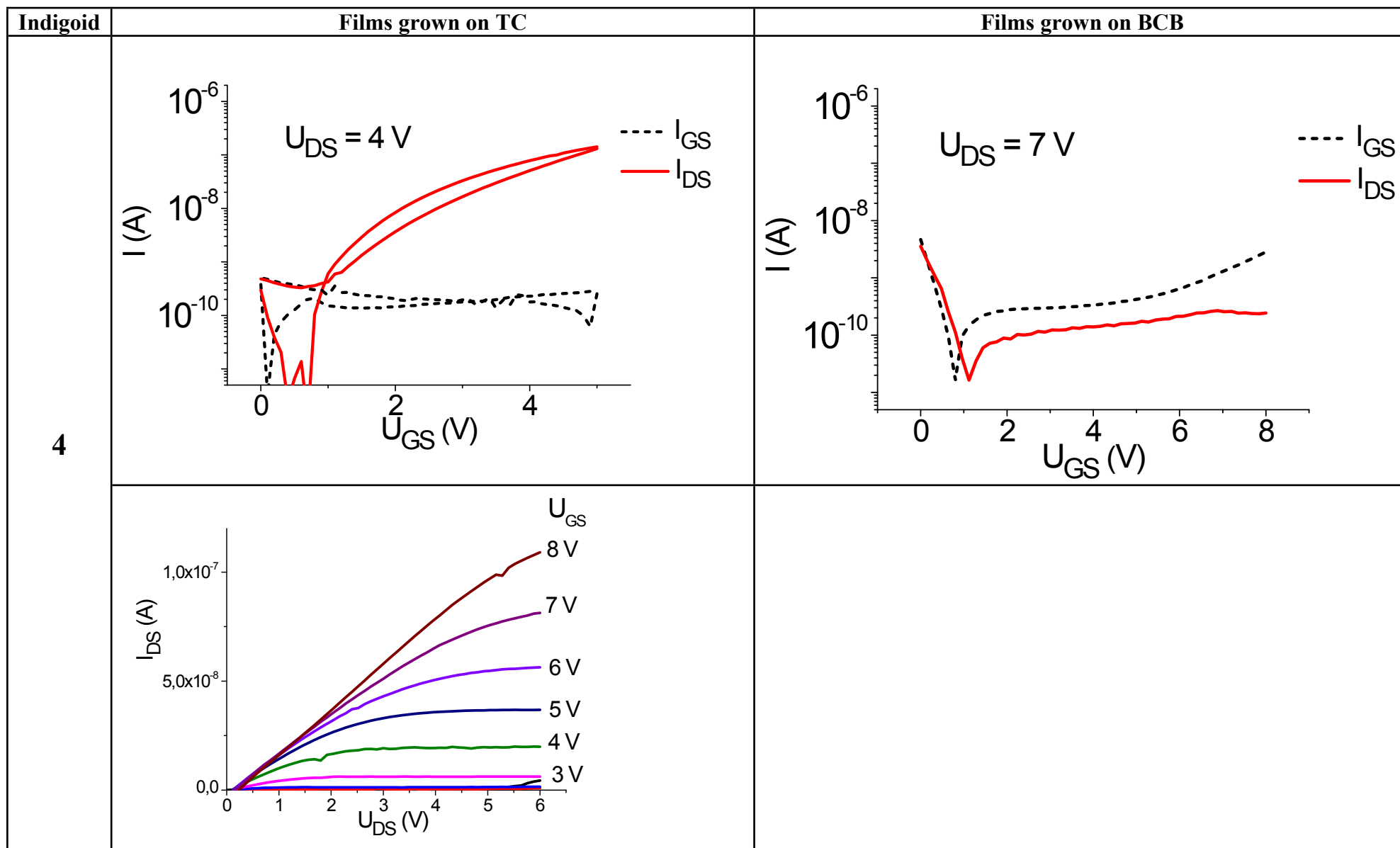
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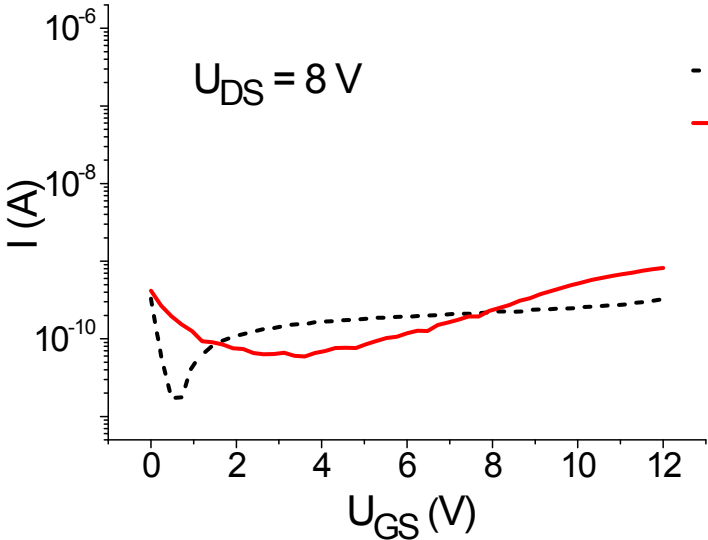
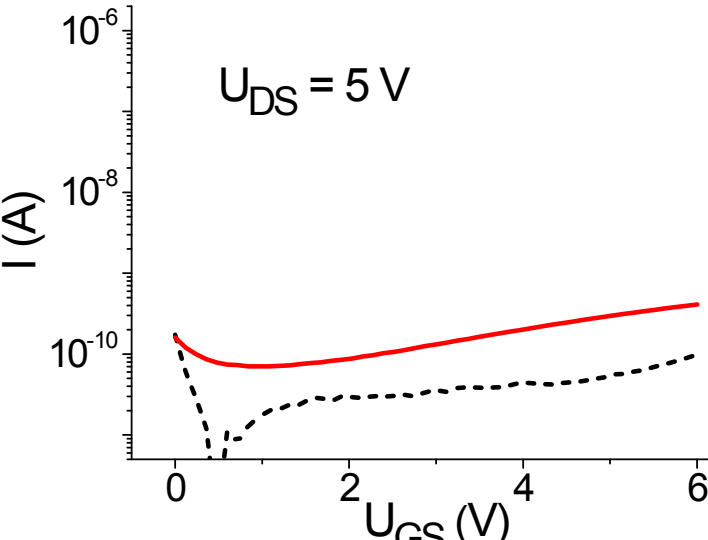


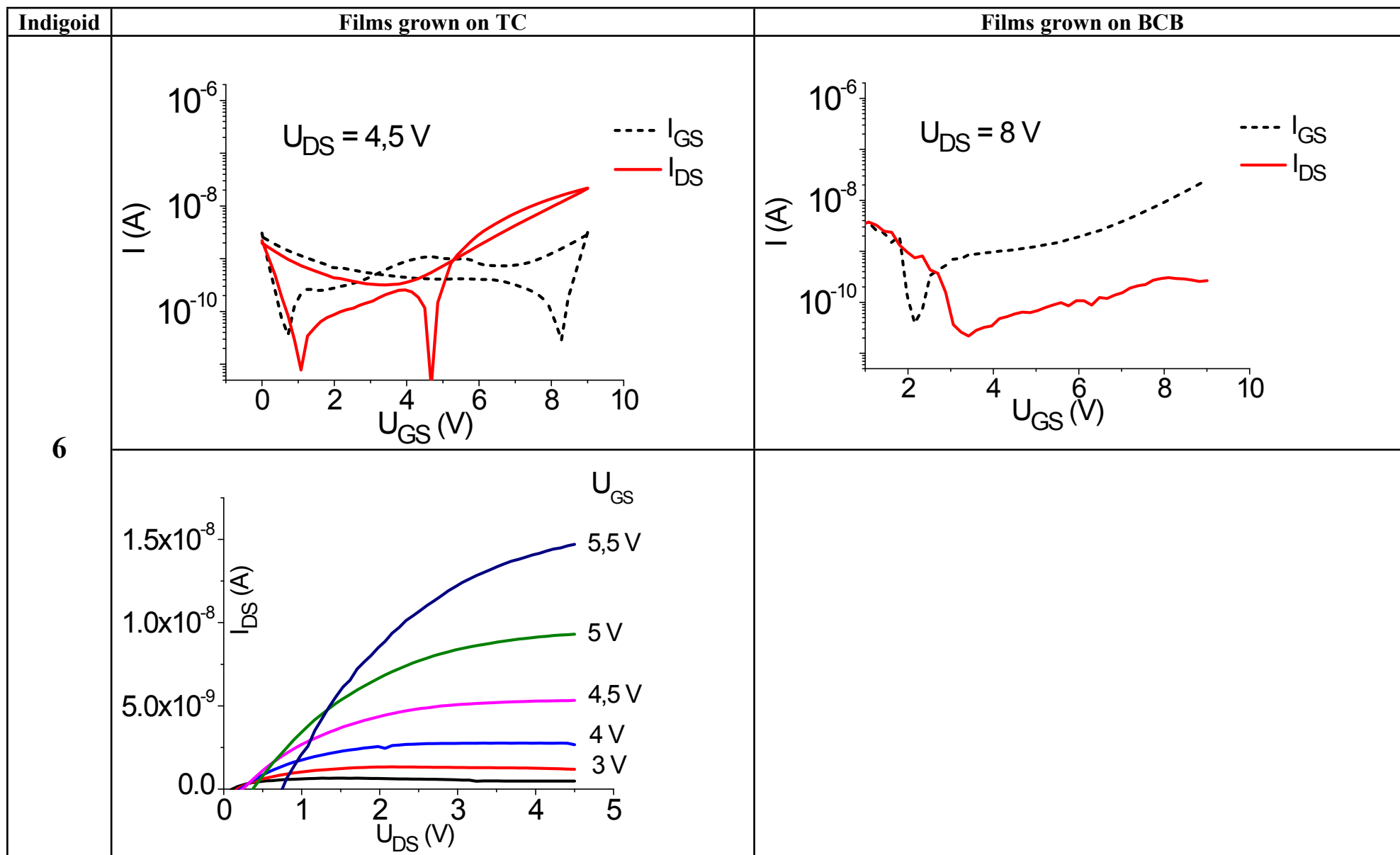


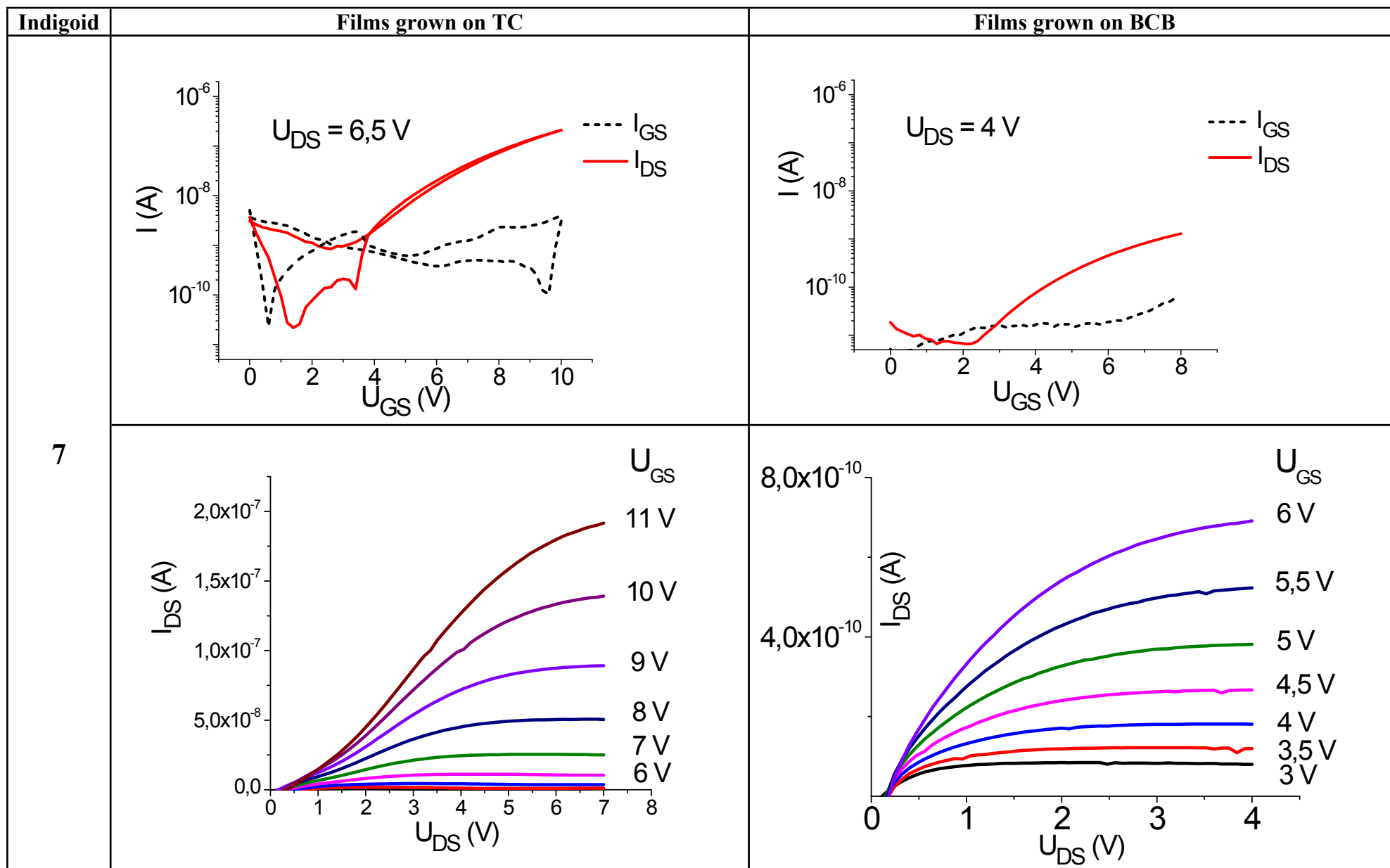


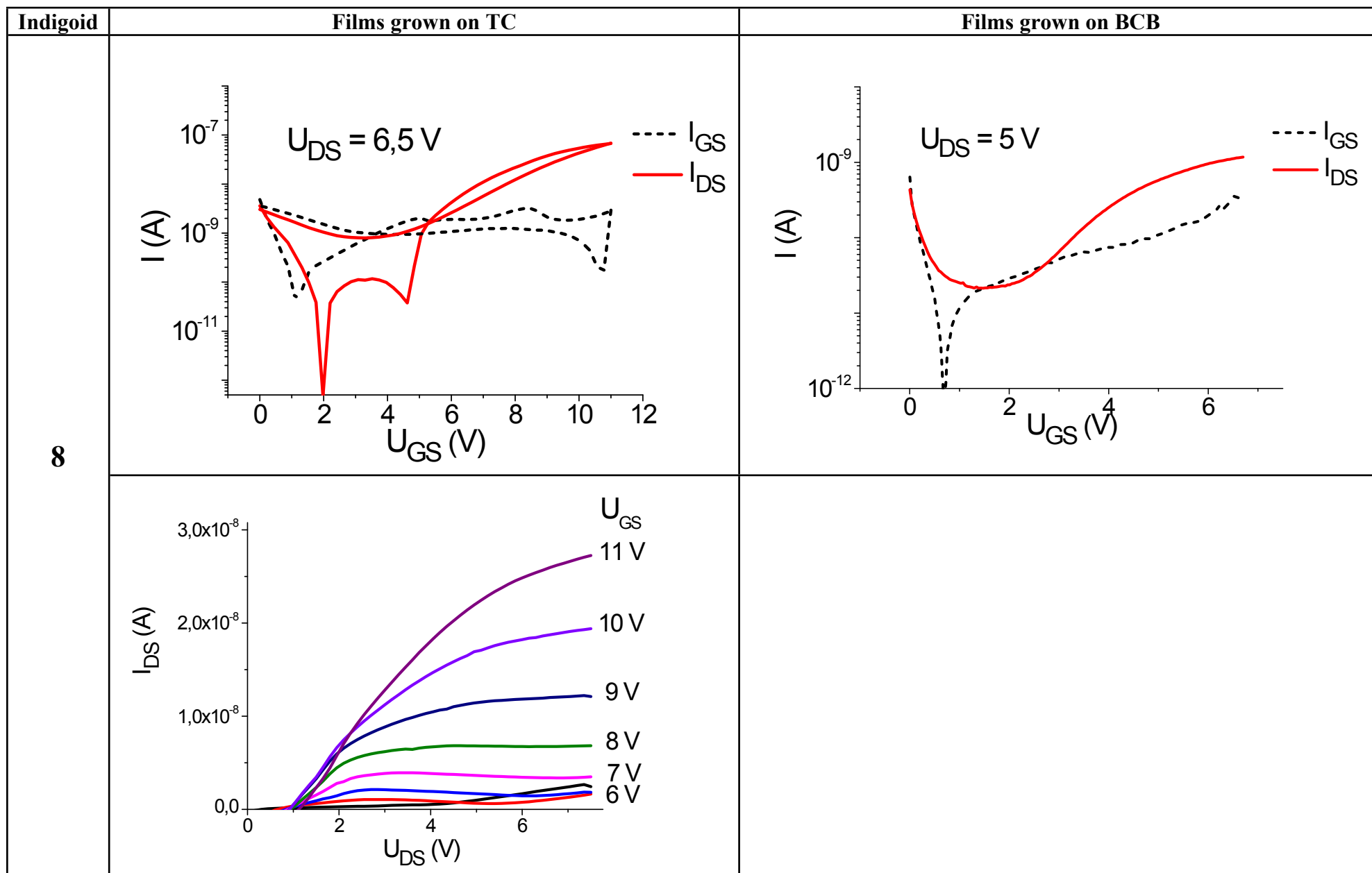


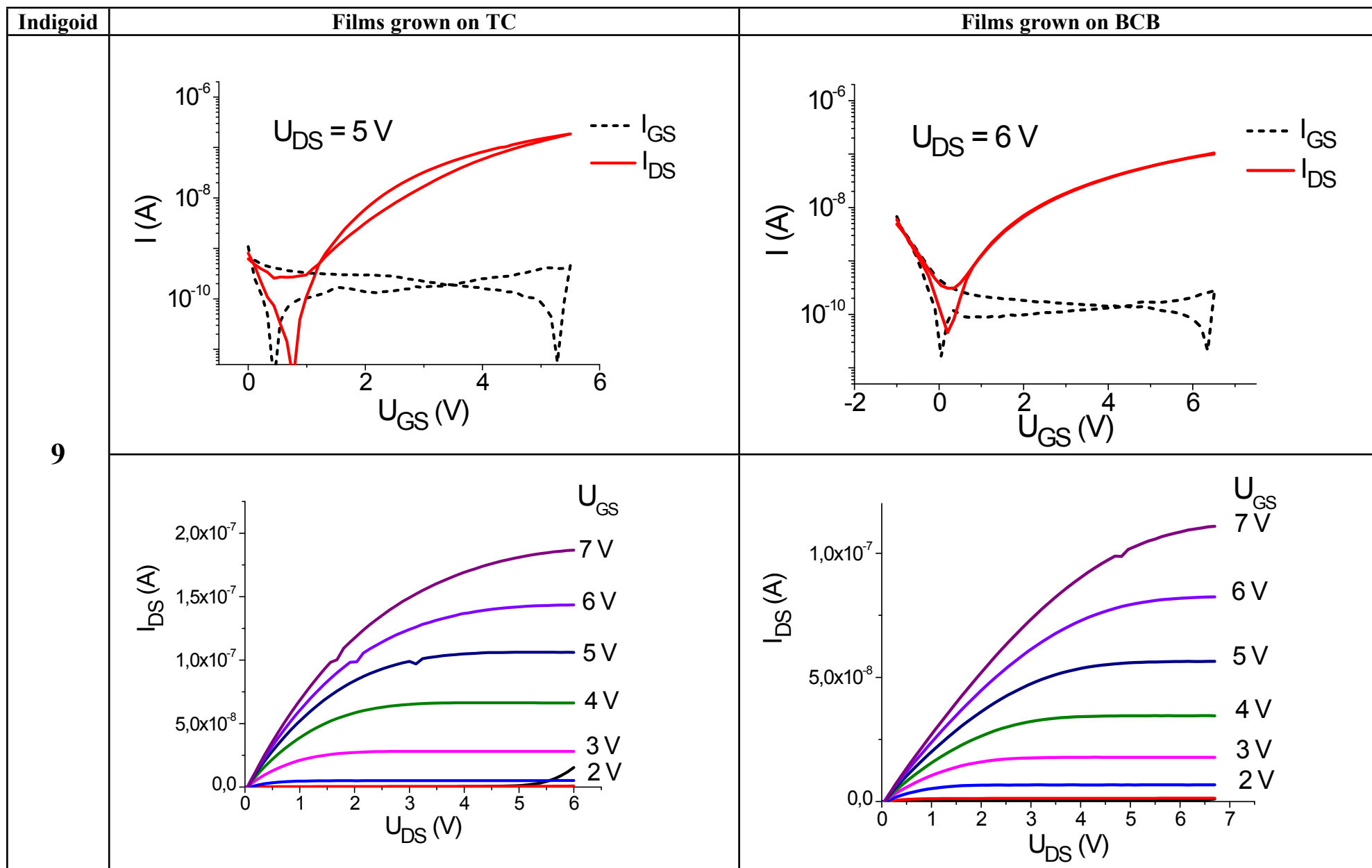


| Indigoid | Films grown on TC                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Films grown on BCB                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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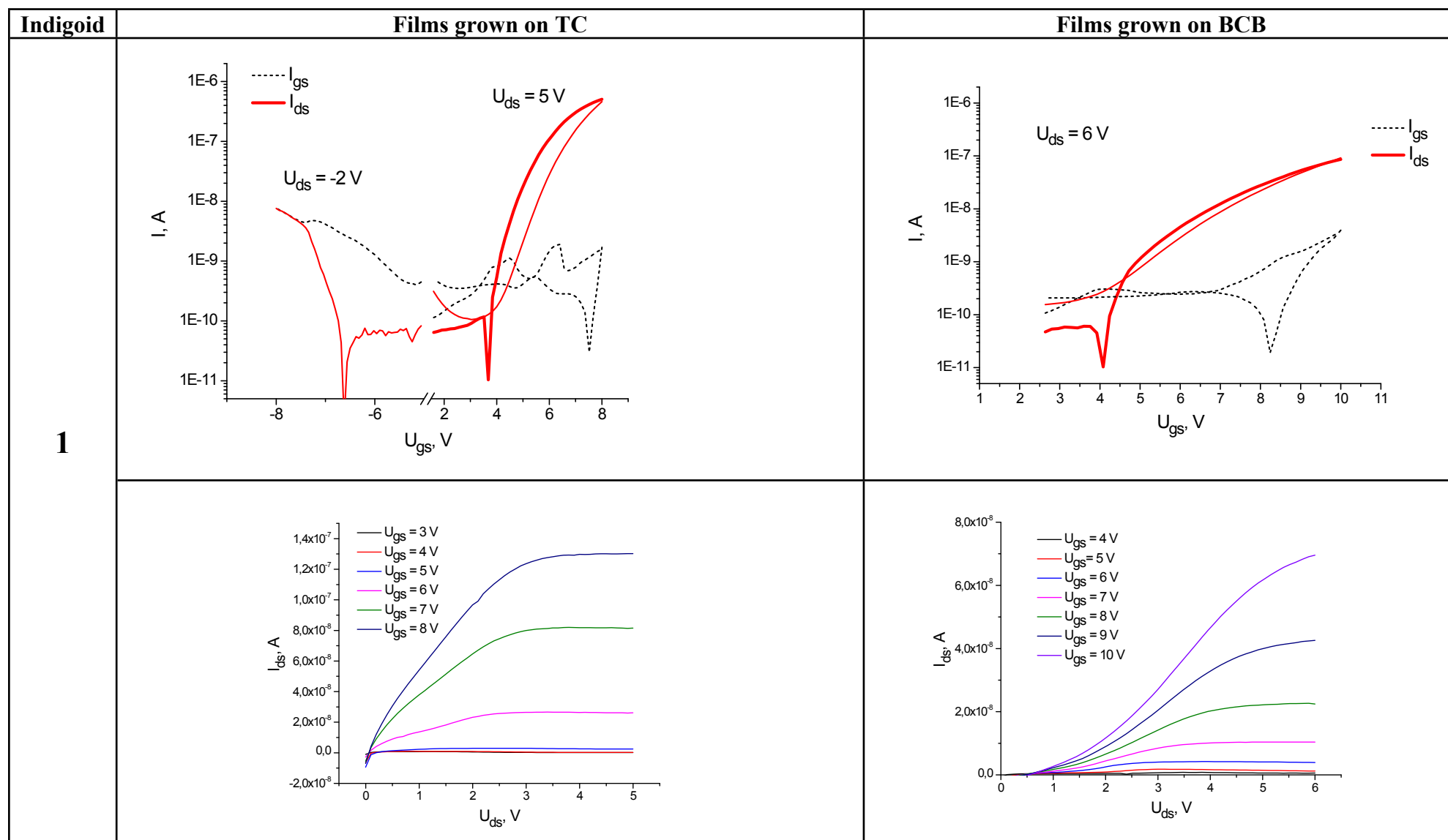


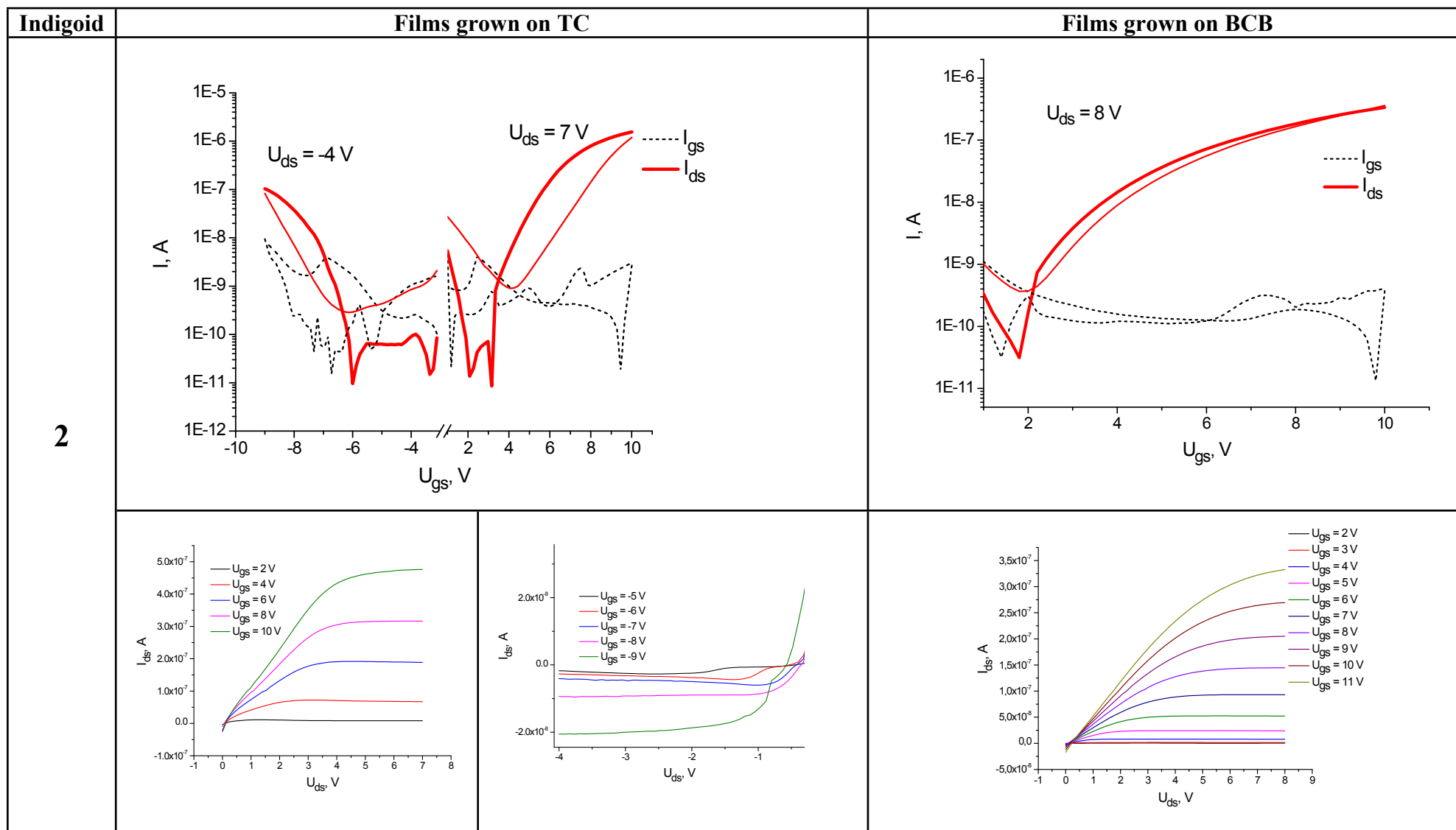


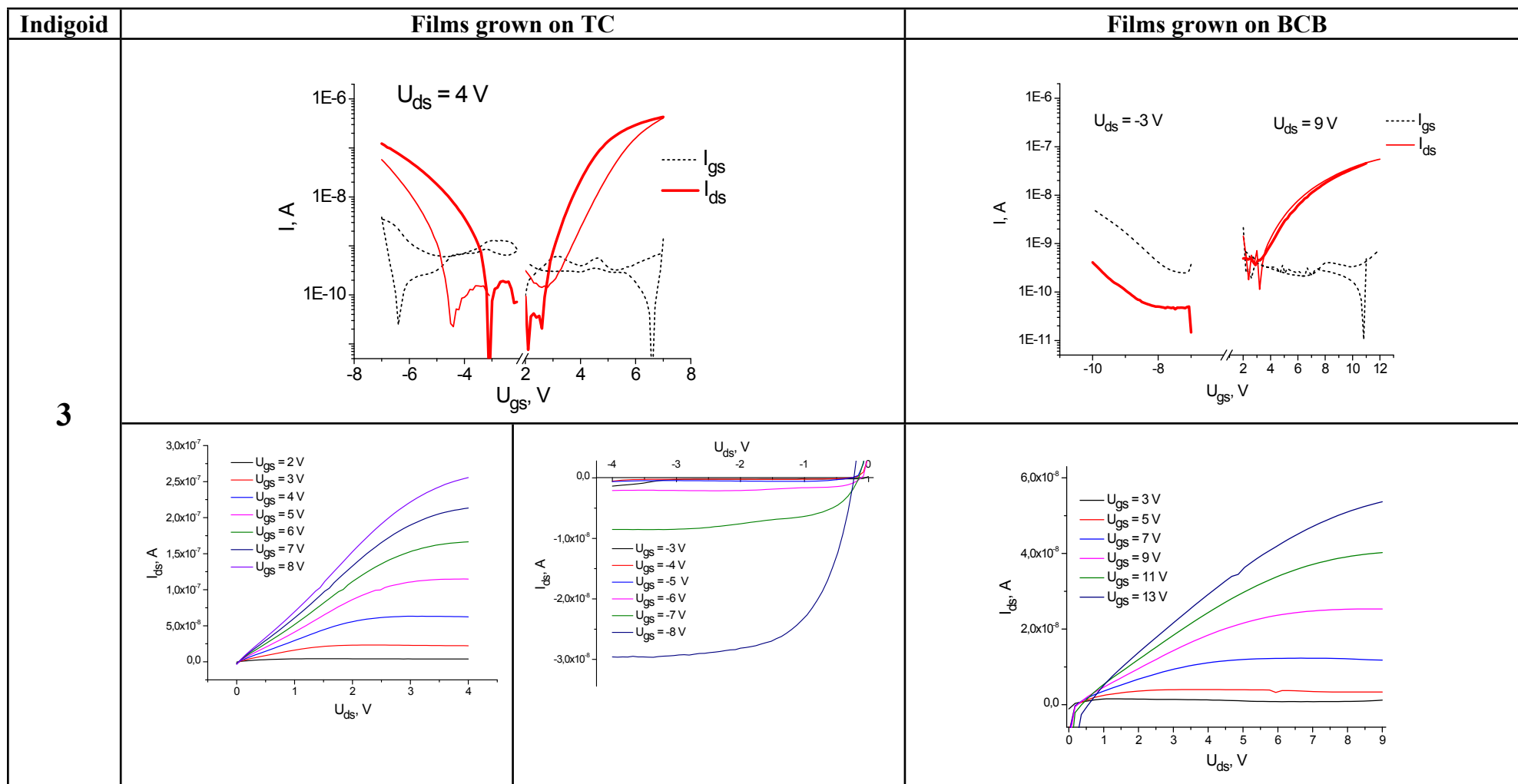


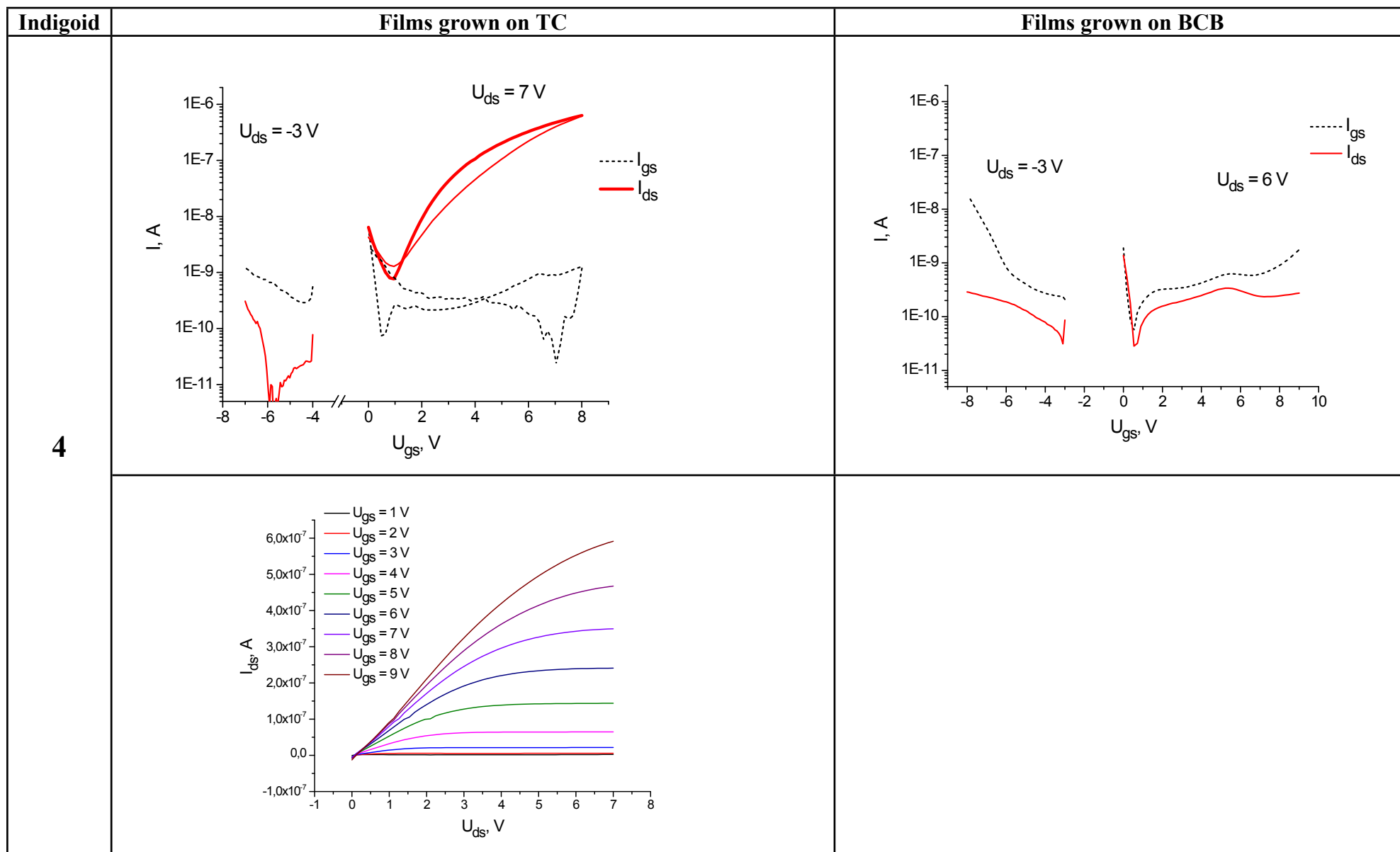


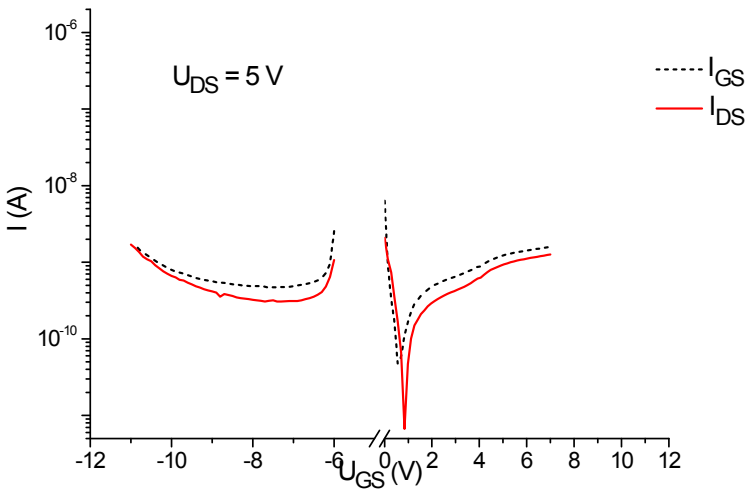
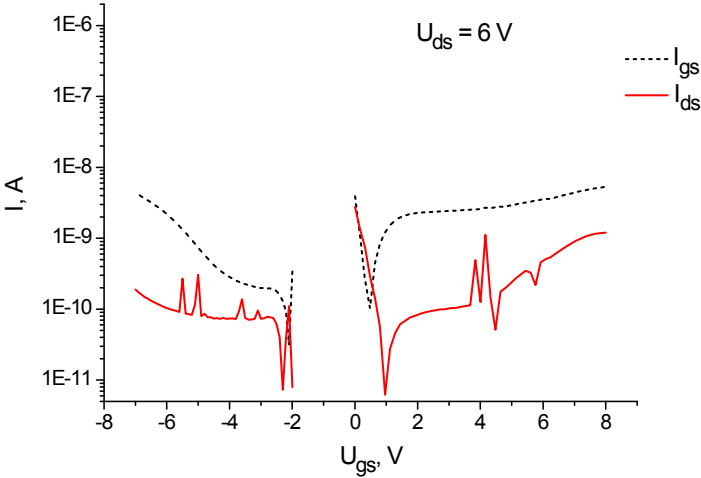
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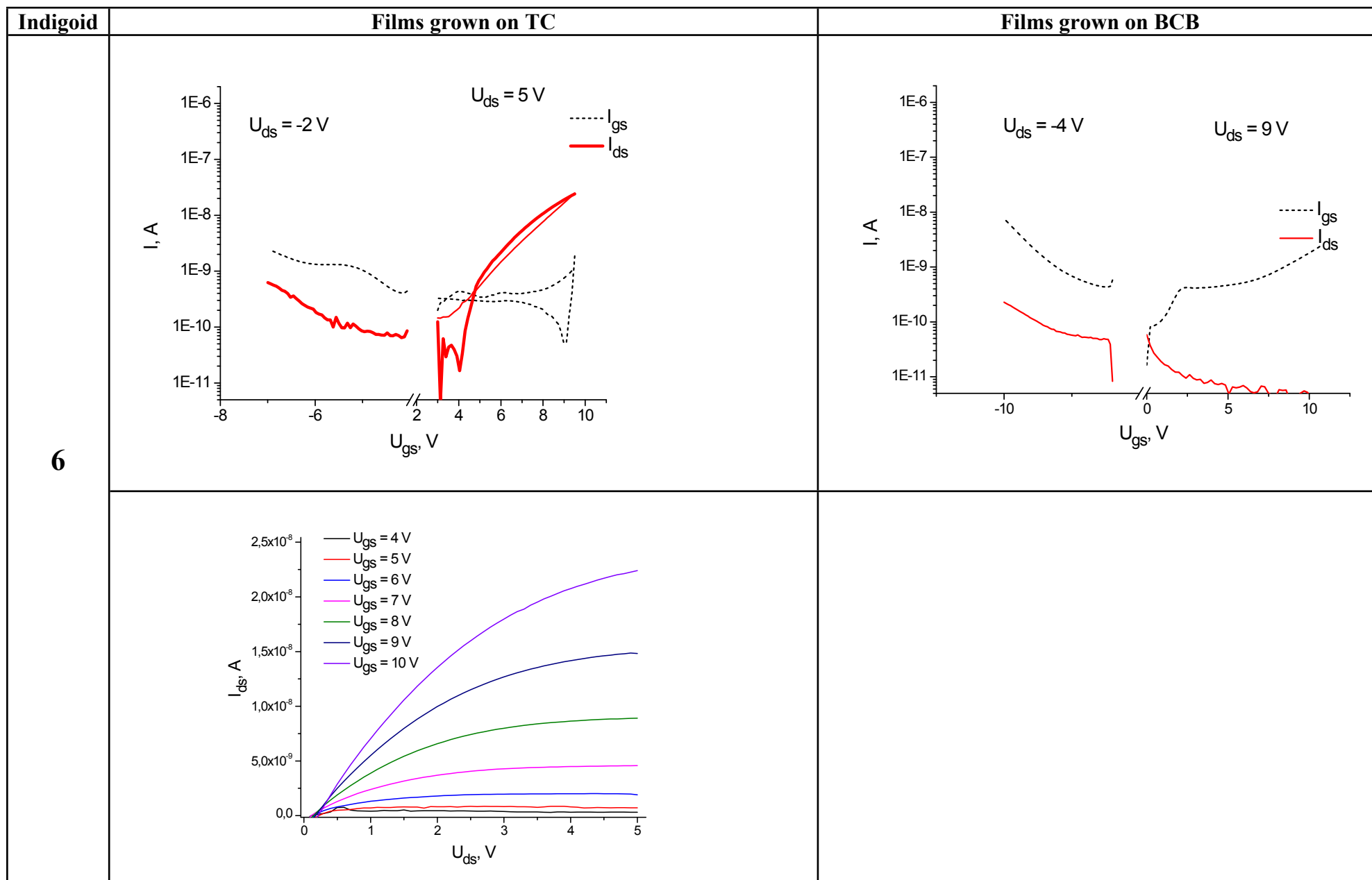


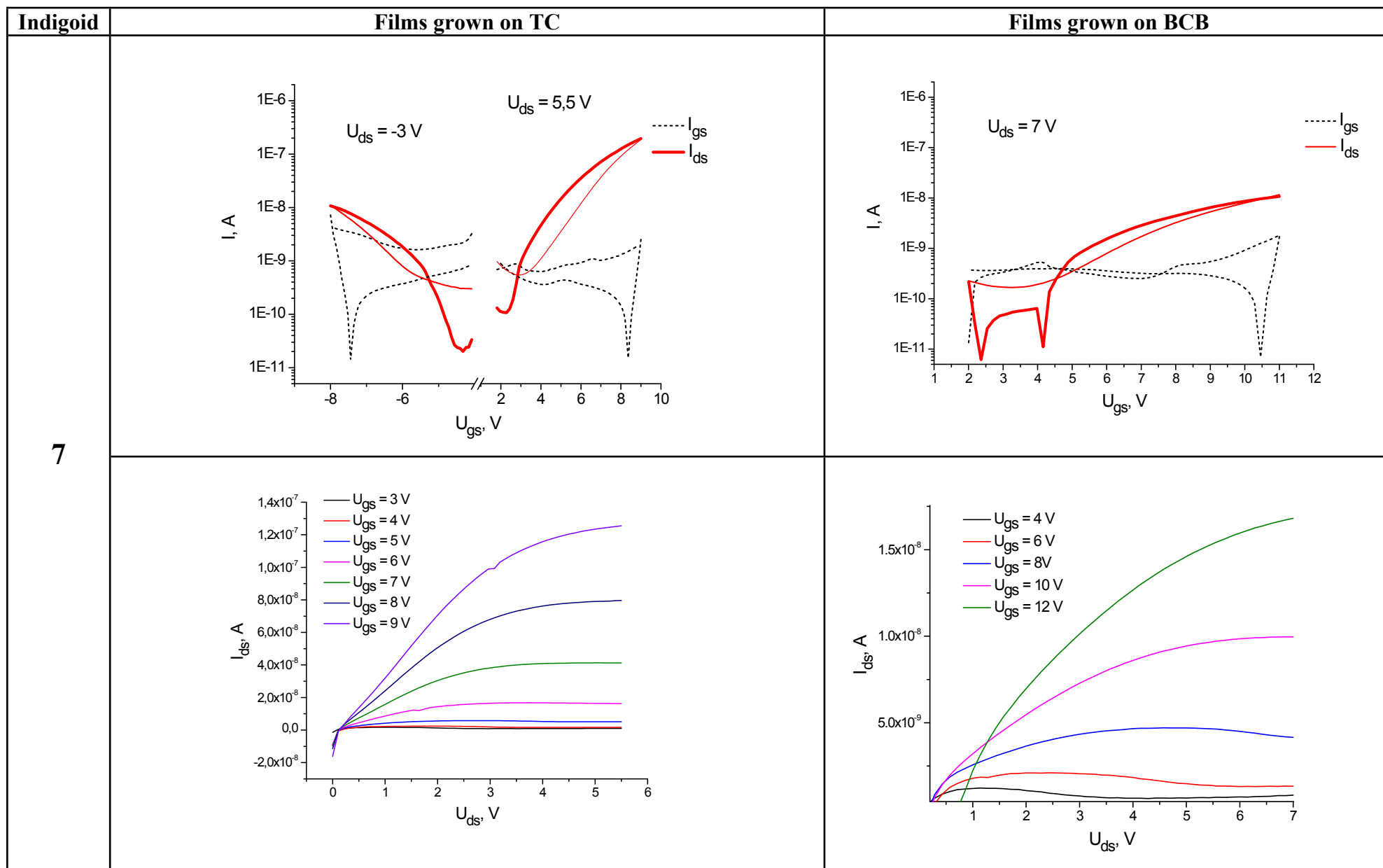


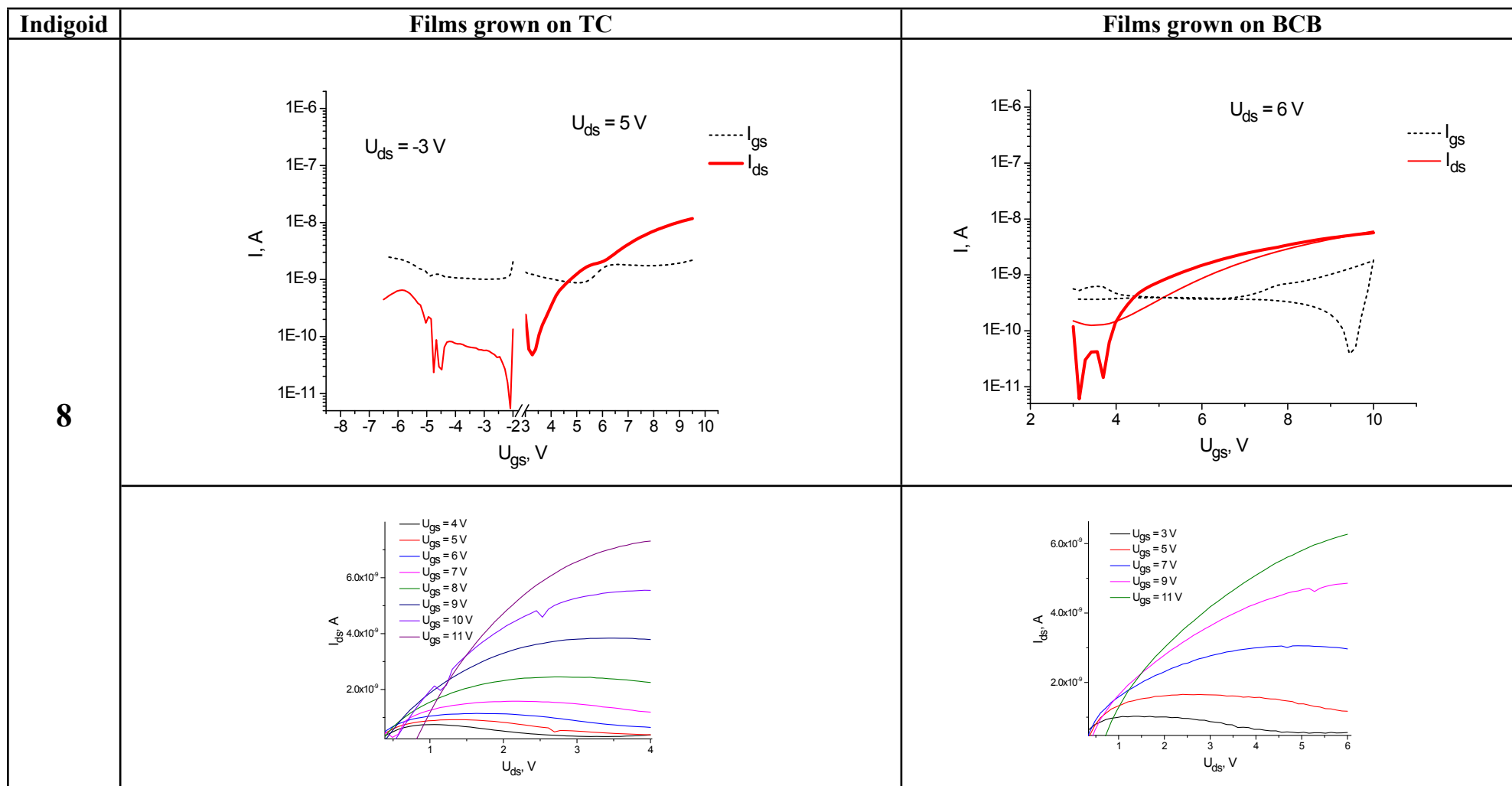




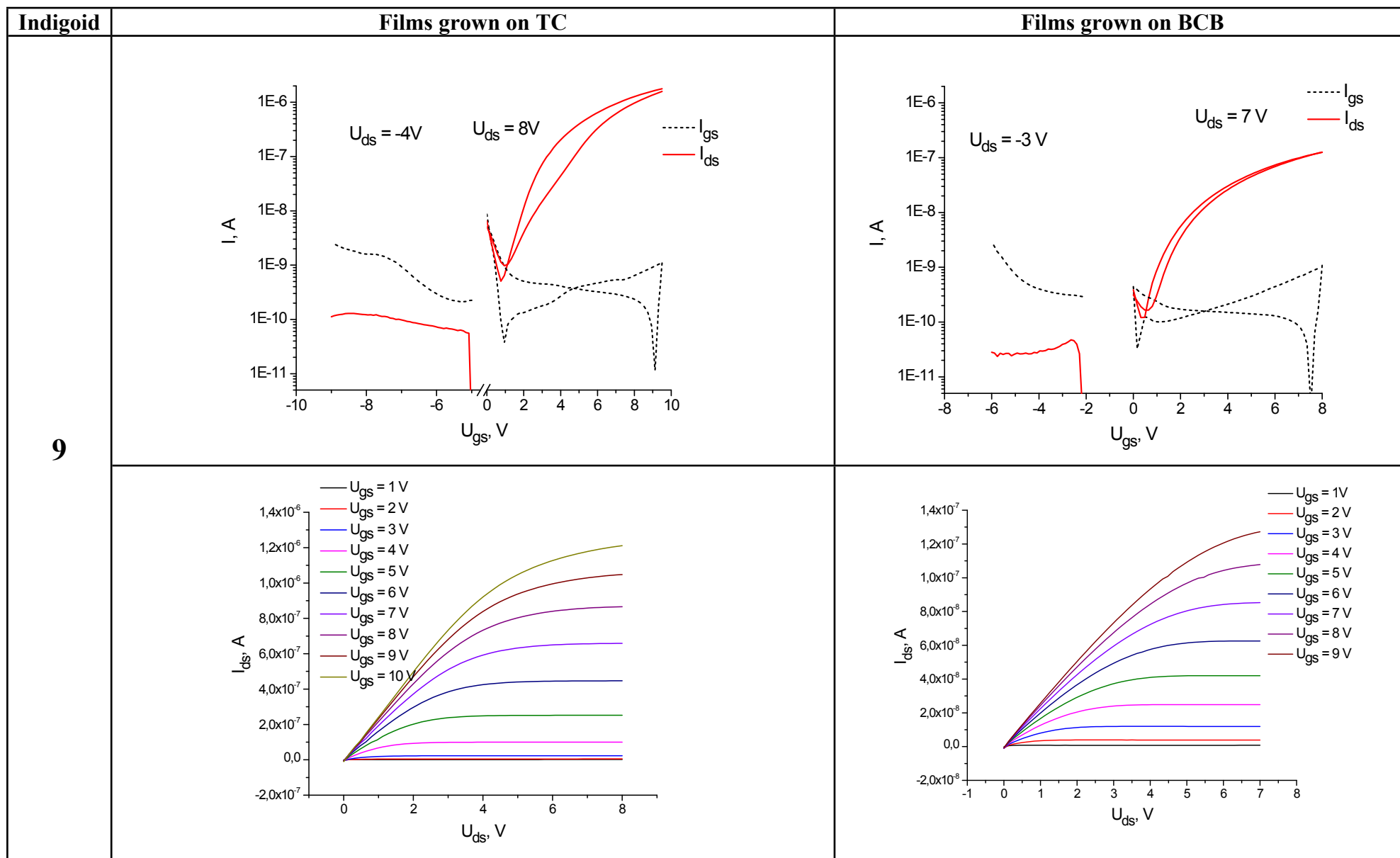
| Indigoid | Films grown on TC                                                                  | Films grown on BCB                                                                  |
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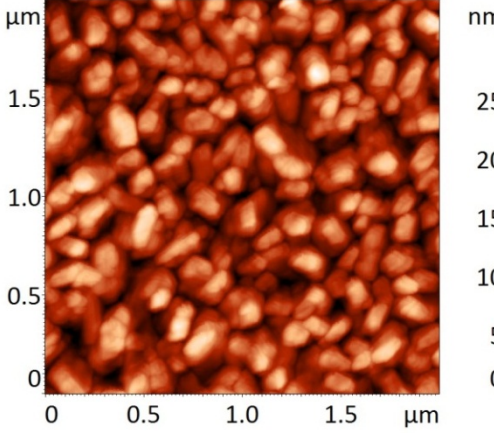
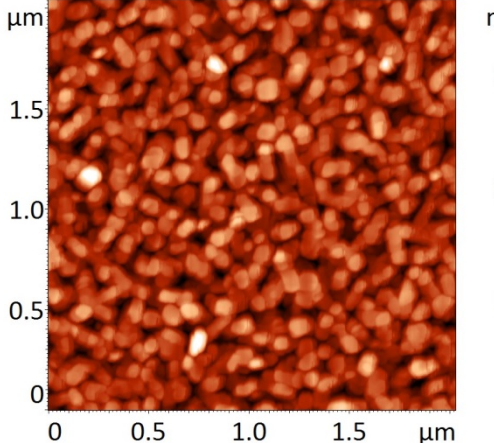
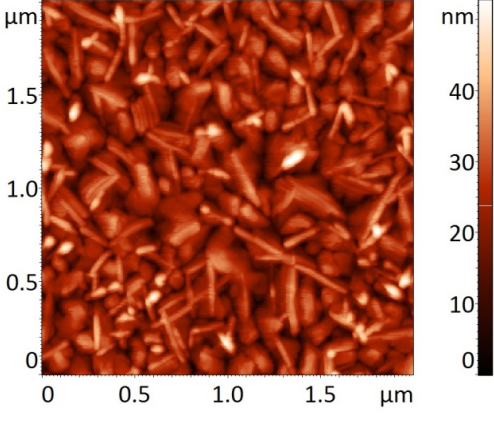
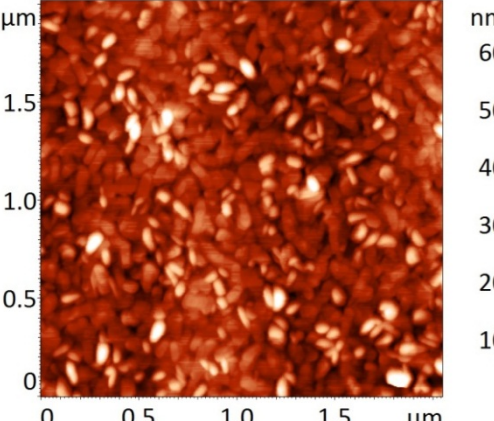
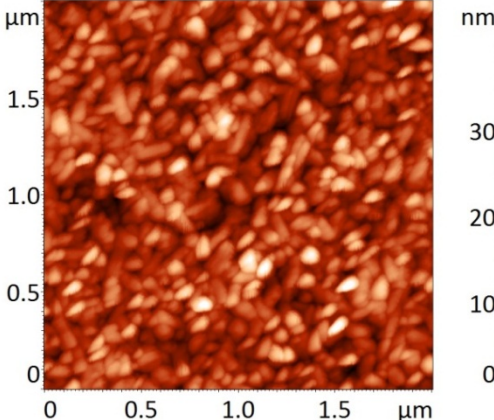
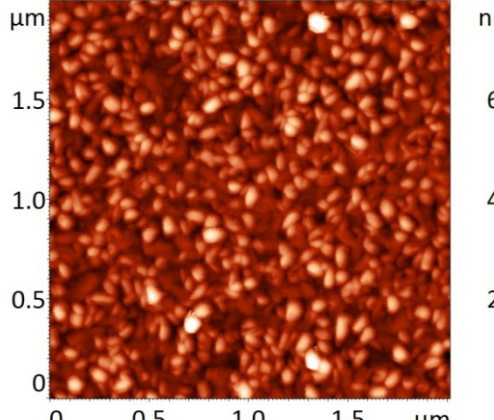
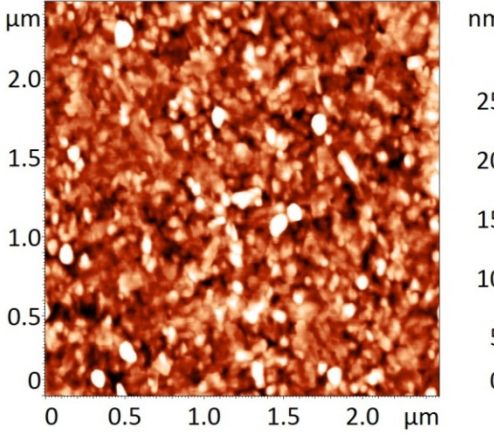
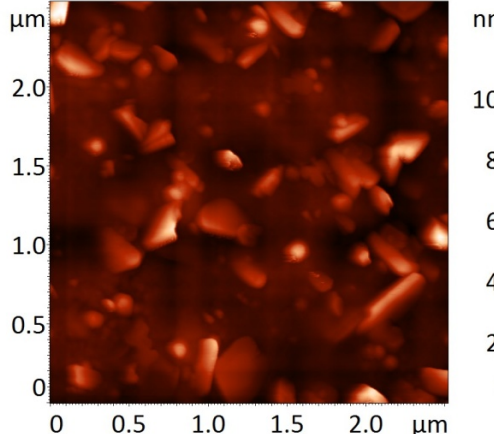




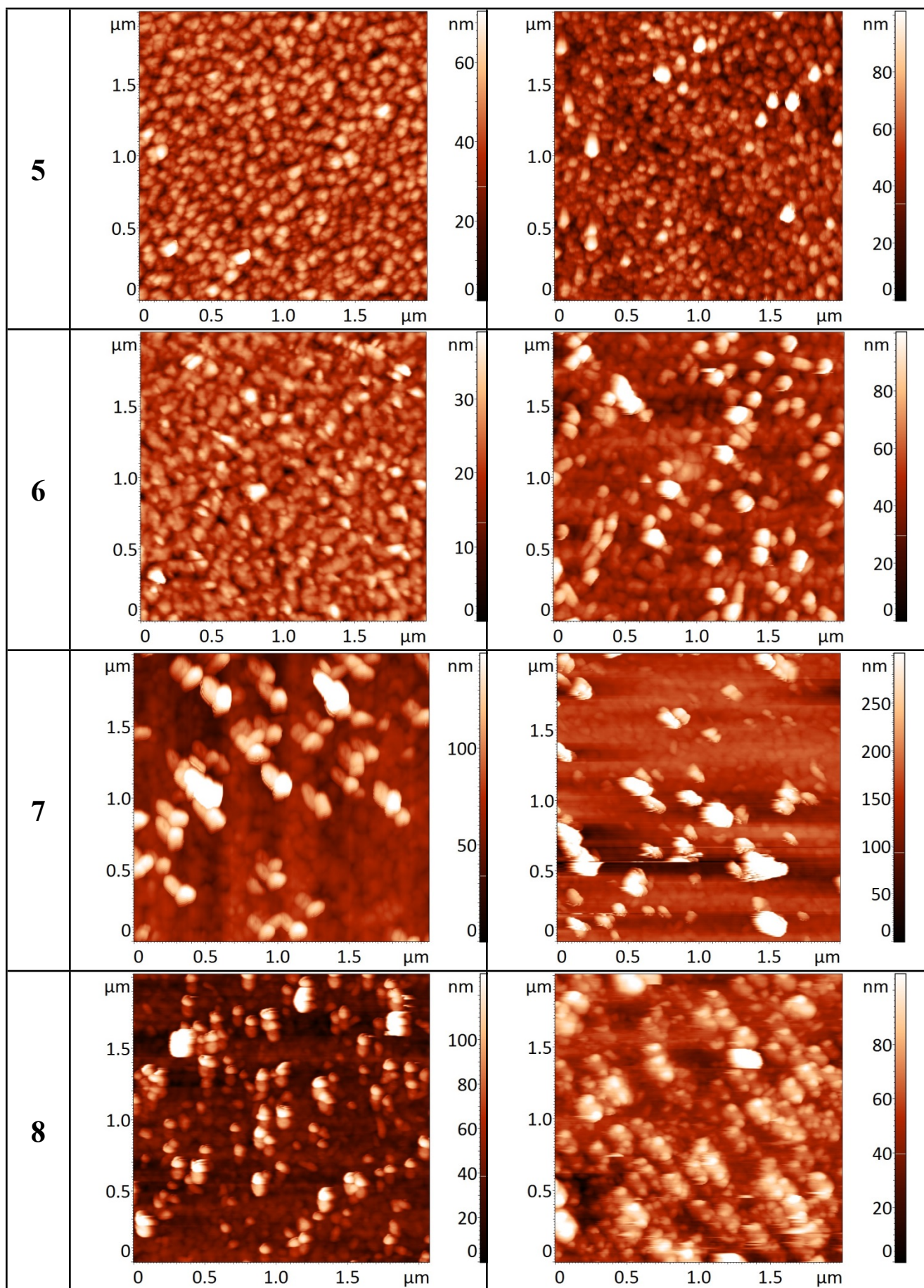


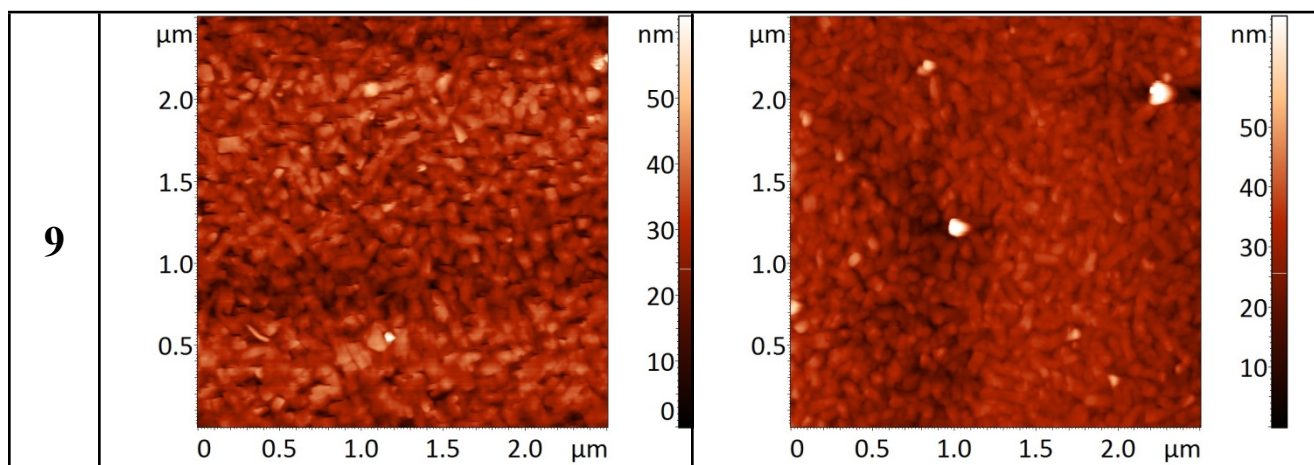


**Table S4 AFM topography images of indigoid films grown on TC and BCB dielectrics**

| No. | Film grown on TC                                                                    | film grown on BCB                                                                    |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
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| 2   |   |   |
| 3   |  |  |
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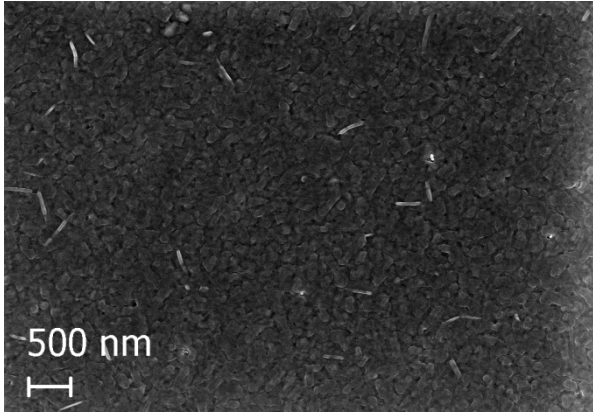
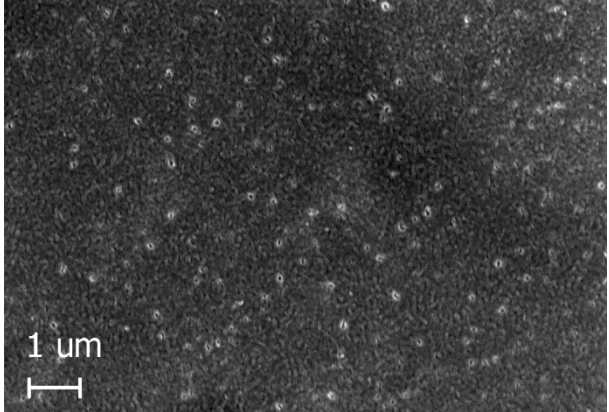
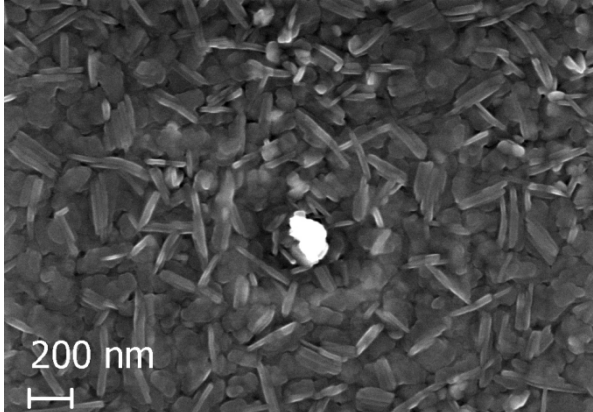
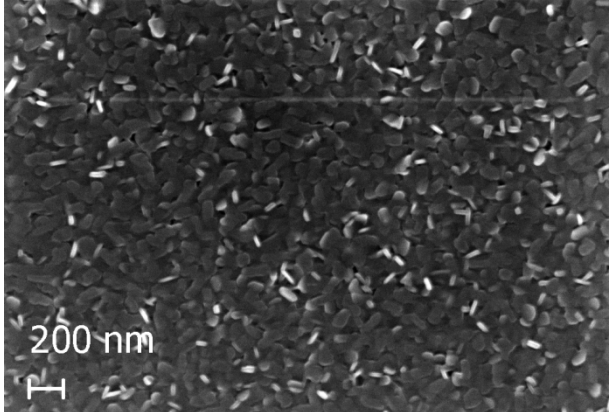
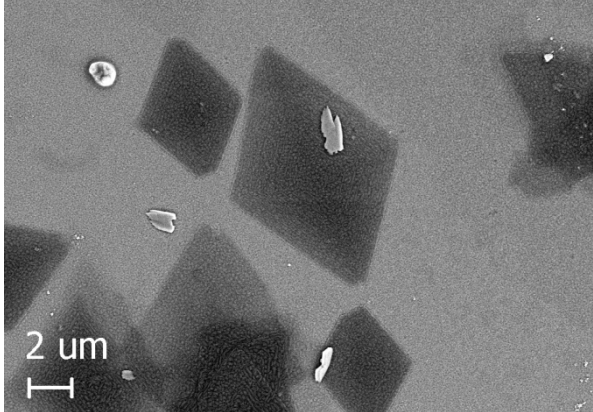
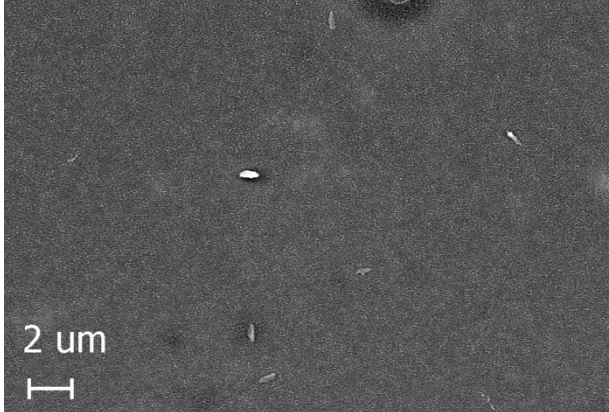
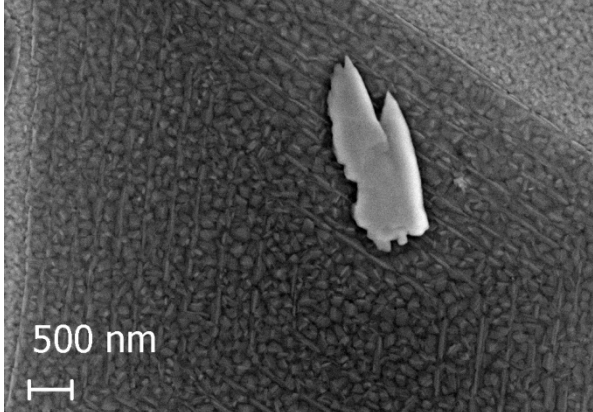
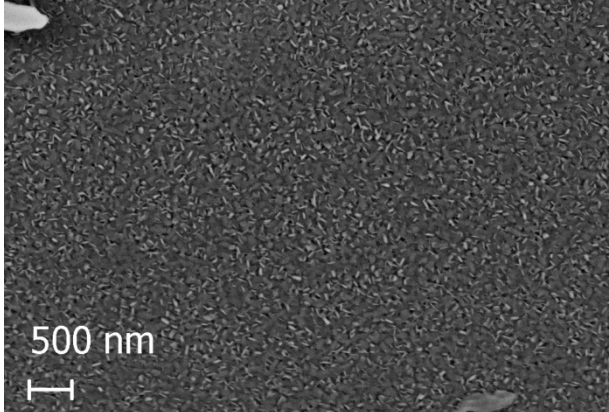


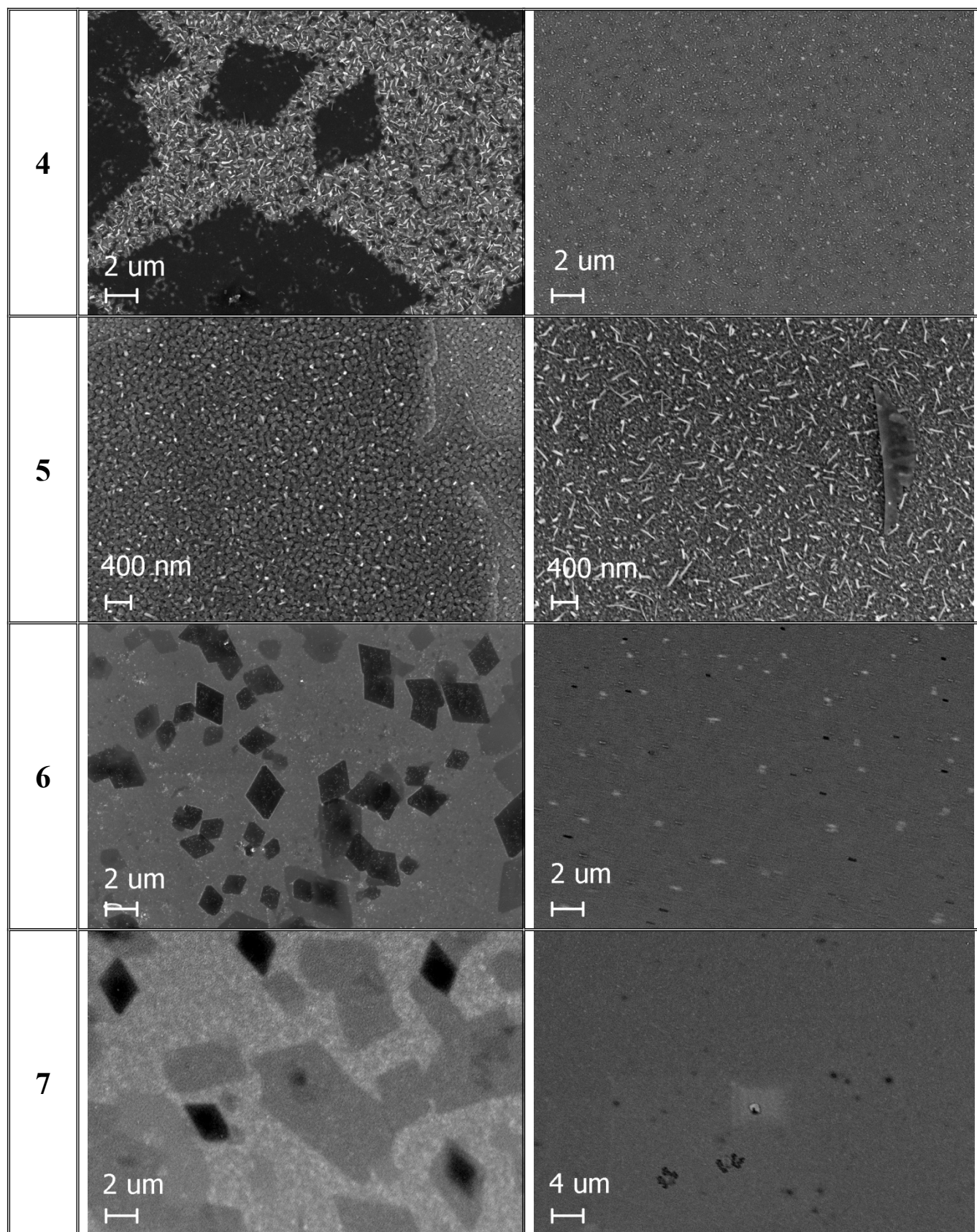






**Table S5 SEM images of indigoid films grown on TC and BCB dielectrics**

| No. | Film grown on TC                                                                    | film grown on BCB                                                                    |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1   |    |    |
| 2   |   |   |
| 3   |  |  |
|     |  |  |



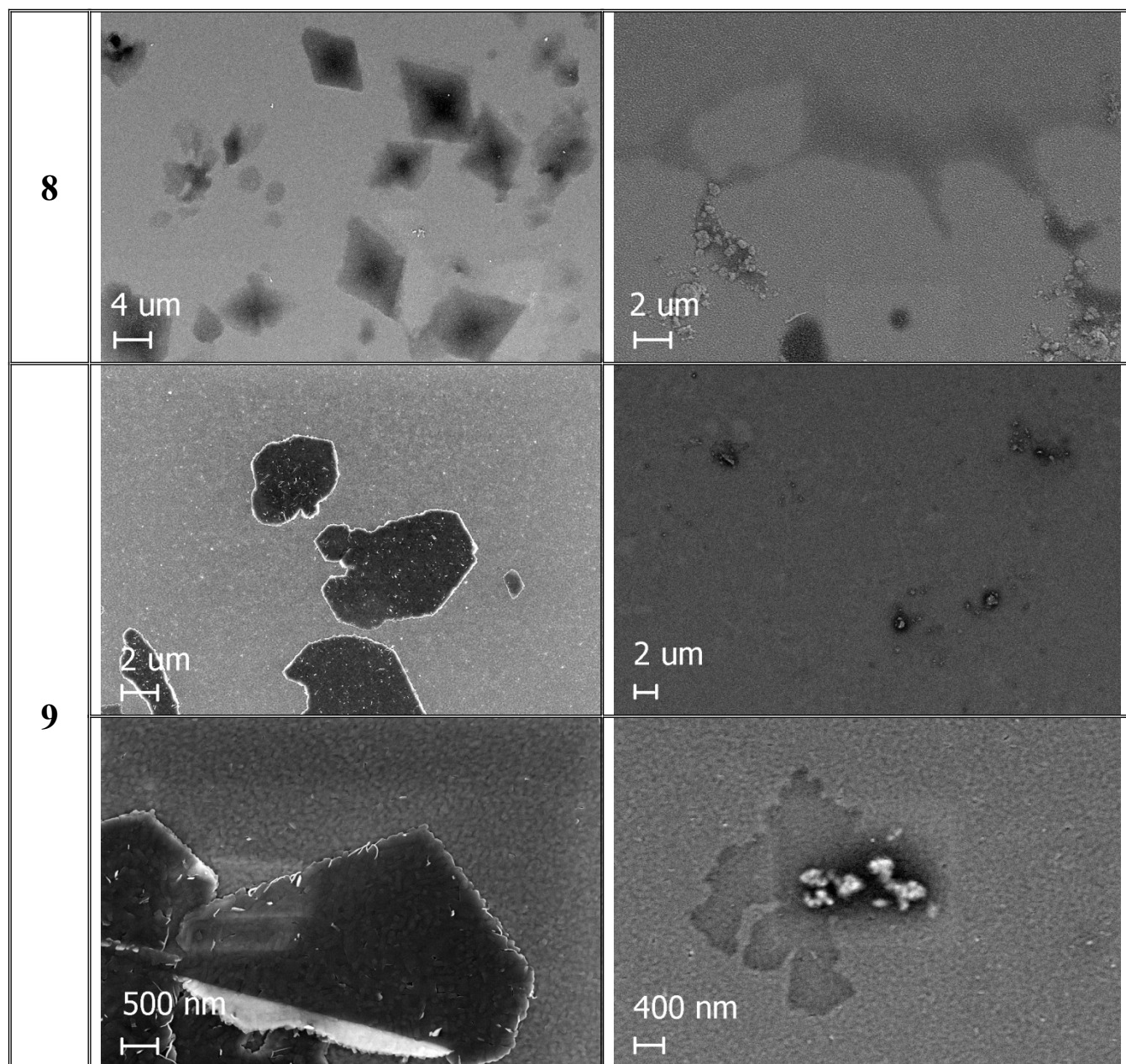


Table S6. Crystallographic data and some details of data collection and refinement for indigo derivatives **1**, **4**, **6**, **7**, and **9**.<sup>a</sup>

| Compound                                                                         | <b>1</b>                                                                    | <b>4</b>                                                                    | <b>6</b>                                                                    | <b>7</b>                                                                     | <b>9</b>                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| formula                                                                          | C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>8</sub> F <sub>2</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>8</sub> F <sub>6</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>8</sub> F <sub>2</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>8</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>6</sub> F <sub>4</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> |
| M <sub>r</sub>                                                                   | 298.24                                                                      | 398.26                                                                      | 298.24                                                                      | 331.14                                                                       | 334.23                                                                      |
| crystal system                                                                   | Monoclinic                                                                  | Orthorhombic                                                                | Monoclinic                                                                  | Monoclinic                                                                   | Monoclinic                                                                  |
| space group                                                                      | <b><i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i></b>                                              | <b><i>Iba2</i></b>                                                          | <b><i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i></b>                                              | <b><i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i></b>                                               | <b><i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i></b>                                              |
| <i>a</i> [Å]                                                                     | 8.273(1)                                                                    | 28.211(1)                                                                   | 8.249(1)                                                                    | 13.1129(8)                                                                   | 12.708(1)                                                                   |
| <i>b</i> [Å]                                                                     | 6.0598(4)                                                                   | 8.6741(7)                                                                   | 6.0281(7)                                                                   | 4.5375(2)                                                                    | 4.6341(4)                                                                   |
| <i>c</i> [Å]                                                                     | 12.2500(7)                                                                  | 12.6299(6)                                                                  | 12.284(1)                                                                   | 11.7091(7)                                                                   | 11.596(7)                                                                   |
| $\alpha$ [°]                                                                     | 90                                                                          | 90                                                                          | 90                                                                          | 90                                                                           | 90                                                                          |
| $\beta$ [°]                                                                      | 101.07(1)                                                                   | 90                                                                          | 94.35(1)                                                                    | 110.090(5)                                                                   | 115.352(7)                                                                  |
| $\gamma$ [°]                                                                     | 90                                                                          | 90                                                                          | 90                                                                          | 90                                                                           | 90                                                                          |
| <i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]                                                       | 602.70(9)                                                                   | 3090.6(3)                                                                   | 609.07(11)                                                                  | 654.30(6)                                                                    | 617.12(9)                                                                   |
| <i>Z</i>                                                                         | 2                                                                           | 8                                                                           | 2                                                                           | 2                                                                            | 2                                                                           |
| <i>D<sub>c</sub></i> [g cm <sup>-3</sup> ]                                       | 1.643                                                                       | 1.712                                                                       | 1.626                                                                       | 1.681                                                                        | 1.681                                                                       |
| refls collected / <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>                                        | 8834/0.049                                                                  | 24964 /0.025                                                                | 9551 /0.033                                                                 | 9060 /0.111                                                                  | 7911/0.064                                                                  |
| data / parameters                                                                | 1409 /100                                                                   | 3750 /254                                                                   | 1511 / 117                                                                  | 1748 / 116                                                                   | 1315 / 1130                                                                 |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> [ <i>I</i> ≥ 2σ( <i>I</i> )]/ <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> (all) | 0.053 / 0.150                                                               | 0.039 / 0.108                                                               | 0.054 / 0.140                                                               | 0.058 / 0.119                                                                | 0.064 / 0.154                                                               |
| Δρ <sub>max/min</sub> [e Å <sup>-3</sup> ]                                       | 0.34 / -0.26                                                                | 0.45 / -0.26                                                                | 0.42 / -0.38                                                                | 0.53 / -0.31                                                                 | 0.39 / -0.26                                                                |

<sup>a</sup> **1** - 6,6'-difluoroindigo; **4** - 6,6'-bis(trifluoromethyl)indigo; **6** - 5,5'-difluoroindigo; **7** - 5,5'-dichloroindigo; **9** - 5,5',6,6'-tetrafluoroindigo;



Table S7. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **1** compared to the single crystal X-ray data.

| No. | Powder XRD (T=293 K) |           | Single crystal X-ray (T=100 K) |           |
|-----|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|     | Position             | Intensity | Position                       | Intensity |
| 1   | 10.60                | 2885      | 10.90                          | 2145      |
| 2   | 14.60                | 925       | 14.70                          | 4516      |
| 3   | 16.35                | 176       | 16.55                          | 692       |
| 4   | 20.30                | 125       | 20.50                          | 530       |
| 5   | 20.80                | 141       | 20.80                          | 1255      |
| 7   | 23.55                | 894       | 23.95                          | 1343      |
| 8   | 25.95                | 7783      | 26.40                          | 10000     |
| 9   | 28.10                | 2975      | 28.20                          | 1706      |
| 10  | 29.50                | 213       | 29.45                          | 190       |
| 11  | 33.20                | 288       | 33.25                          | 442       |
| 12  | 36.50                | 144       | 36.35                          | 99        |
| 13  | 36.85                | 217       | 36.70                          | 481       |
| 14  | 38.75                | 111       | 38.65                          | 105       |
| 15  | 39.80                | 114       | 39.85                          | 137       |
| 16  | 41.15                | 95        | 41.15                          | 284       |
| 17  | 43.20                | 232       | 43.10                          | 10        |
| 18  | 45.30                | 307       | 45.35                          | 206       |
| 20  | 51.00                | 56        | 50.95                          | 59        |
| 22  | 53.50                | 111       | 53.60                          | 396       |
| 23  | 54.85                | 87        | 54.65                          | 148       |
| 24  | 55.25                | 150       | 55.00                          | 92        |

Table S8. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **2** compared to the single crystal X-ray data.

| No. | Powder XRD (T=293 K) |           | Single crystal X-ray (T=100 K) |           |
|-----|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|     | Position             | Intensity | Position                       | Intensity |
| 1   | 5.90                 | 1869      | 5.90                           | 104       |
| 2   | 11.85                | 1536      | 11.80                          | 147       |
| 3   | 15.50                | 2468      | 15.45                          | 785       |
| 4   | 17.25                | 2088      | 17.20                          | 343       |
| 5   | 20.70                | 2368      | 20.65                          | 941       |
| 6   | 23.85                | 1928      | 23.80                          | 1506      |
| 7   | 25.10                | 1706      | 25.05                          | 204       |
| 8   | 25.90                | 2068      | 25.75                          | 75        |
| 9   | 26.90                | 1713      | 26.85                          | 402       |
| 10  | 27.90                | 4000      | 27.80                          | 741       |
| 11  | 30.15                | 1634      | 30.05                          | 250       |
| 12  | 31.25                | 1712      | 31.25                          | 433       |
| 13  | 32.10                | 1661      | 32.10                          | 154       |
| 14  | 34.90                | 1607      | 34.90                          | 211       |
| 15  | 35.60                | 1547      | 35.45                          | 139       |
| 16  | 36.10                | 1648      | 36.05                          | 1117      |
| 17  | 37.20                | 1551      | 37.25                          | 96        |
| 18  | 37.65                | 1529      | 37.60                          | 59        |
| 19  | 38.10                | 1606      | 38.00                          | 71        |
| 20  | 41.40                | 1596      | 41.20                          | 172       |
| 21  | 42.15                | 1699      | 42.05                          | 235       |
| 22  | 43.05                | 1594      | 43.05                          | 50        |
| 23  | 43.45                | 1535      | 43.40                          | 64        |
| 24  | 45.30                | 1564      | 45.30                          | 84        |
| 25  | 47.20                | 1551      | 47.10                          | 68        |
| 26  | 47.75                | 1521      | 47.85                          | 37        |
| 27  | 48.85                | 1553      | 48.75                          | 186       |
| 28  | 50.20                | 1523      | 50.20                          | 72        |
| 29  | 50.80                | 1575      | 50.80                          | 67        |
| 30  | 51.55                | 1530      | 51.45                          | 55        |
| 31  | 55.40                | 1521      | 55.45                          | 125       |

Table S9. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **3** compared to the single crystal X-ray data.

| No. | Powder XRD (T=293 K) |           | Single crystal X-ray (T=100 K) |           |
|-----|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|     | Position             | Intensity | Position                       | Intensity |
| 1   | 7.25                 | 568       | 7.20                           | 2058      |
| 2   | 14.55                | 722       | 14.50                          | 585       |
| 3   | 15.75                | 409       | 15.75                          | 3138      |
| 4   | 18.75                | 777       | 18.75                          | 6129      |
| 5   | 19.90                | 61        | 19.95                          | 747       |
| 6   | 21.90                | 74        | 21.90                          | 955       |
| 7   | 23.40                | 308       | 23.40                          | 2681      |
| 8   | 23.75                | 476       | 23.70                          | 1950      |
| 9   | 23.95                | 122       | 24.05                          | 456       |
| 10  | 24.15                | 75        | 24.30                          | 660       |
| 11  | 25.85                | 1332      | 25.85                          | 10000     |
| 12  | 26.40                | 90        | 26.50                          | 675       |
| 13  | 28.20                | 76        | 28.20                          | 507       |
| 14  | 29.30                | 506       | 29.20                          | 284       |
| 15  | 29.80                | 542       | 29.70                          | 2484      |
| 16  | 30.10                | 576       | 30.25                          | 2543      |
| 17  | 30.90                | 245       | 31.00                          | 1927      |
| 18  | 31.85                | 342       | 31.85                          | 270       |
| 19  | 32.40                | 155       | 32.50                          | 671       |
| 20  | 33.95                | 647       | 33.90                          | 1957      |
| 21  | 34.45                | 140       | 34.65                          | 500       |
| 22  | 36.45                | 195       | 36.35                          | 203       |
| 23  | 36.75                | 428       | 36.75                          | 656       |
| 24  | 37.25                | 231       | 37.25                          | 468       |
| 25  | 38.00                | 142       | 38.00                          | 532       |
| 26  | 38.40                | 244       | 38.55                          | 446       |
| 27  | 39.90                | 43        | 39.95                          | 321       |
| 28  | 40.35                | 186       | 40.30                          | 440       |
| 29  | 43.85                | 130       | 43.80                          | 406       |
| 30  | 44.55                | 870       | 44.45                          | 516       |
| 31  | 46.65                | 128       | 46.65                          | 223       |
| 32  | 47.30                | 396       | 47.20                          | 563       |
| 33  | 47.90                | 151       | 48.05                          | 647       |
| 34  | 48.05                | 103       | 48.20                          | 436       |
| 35  | 48.50                | 157       | 48.50                          | 401       |
| 36  | 48.90                | 128       | 49.05                          | 301       |
| 38  | 49.85                | 93        | 49.85                          | 314       |
| 39  | 52.90                | 137       | 52.95                          | 290       |
| 40  | 53.10                | 159       | 53.15                          | 501       |
| 41  | 54.55                | 135       | 54.50                          | 253       |
| 42  | 54.75                | 98        | 54.80                          | 326       |
| 43  | 62.60                | 101       | 62.55                          | 231       |
| 44  | 62.95                | 76        | 62.85                          | 184       |

Table S10. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **4** compared to the single crystal X-ray data.

| No. | Powder XRD (T=293 K) |           | Single crystal X-ray (T=100 K) |           |
|-----|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|     | Position             | Intensity | Position                       | Intensity |
| 1   | 13.70                | 119       | 13.90                          | 2542      |
| 2   | 14.00                | 132       | 14.00                          | 2624      |
| 3   | 15.65                | 398       | 15.35                          | 3093      |
| 4   | 17.90                | 375       | 17.65                          | 1155      |
| 5   | 19.00                | 100       | 18.85                          | 4798      |
| 6   | 19.60                | 239       | 19.75                          | 2154      |
| 7   | 22.65                | 120       | 22.60                          | 542       |
| 8   |                      |           | 23.65                          | 3253      |
| 9   | 24.40                | 1713      | 24.05                          | 10000     |
| 10  | 24.80                | 98        | 24.90                          | 1034      |
| 11  |                      |           | 25.70                          | 634       |
| 12  | 26.95                | 205       | 26.85                          | 4220      |
| 13  | 27.60                | 298       | 27.95                          | 834       |
| 14  |                      |           | 28.20                          | 1674      |
| 15  | 29.00                | 168       | 28.95                          | 411       |
| 16  | 29.60                | 95        | 29.70                          | 490       |
| 17  | 30.65                | 520       | 31.00                          | 939       |
| 18  | 31.30                | 86        | 31.40                          | 415       |
| 19  | 33.70                | 93        | 34.85                          | 1526      |
| 20  | 35.90                | 146       | 35.75                          | 554       |
| 21  | 36.50                | 145       | 36.50                          | 238       |

Table S11. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **5**

| No. | Experimental |           | Calculated |
|-----|--------------|-----------|------------|
|     | Position     | Intensity | Position   |
| 1   | 10.55        | 166       | 10.54      |
| 2   | 14.20        | 121       | 14.20      |
| 3   | 14.55        | 130       | 14.55      |
| 4   | 17.95        | 77        | 17.96      |
| 5   | 19.70        | 79        | 19.75      |
| 6   | 25.05        | 438       | 25.08      |
| 7   | 26.75        | 322       | 26.73      |
| 8   | 26.85        | 328       | 26.82      |
| 9   | 26.95        | 343       | 26.97      |
| 10  | 27.35        | 556       | 27.35      |
| 11  | 27.95        | 136       | 27.92      |
| 12  | 31.35        | 51        | 31.32      |

Unit cell parameters:  $a=13.06\pm0.03$  Å,  $b=11.58\pm0.02$  Å;  $c=6.69\pm0.01$  Å,  $\alpha=\gamma=90^\circ$ ,  $\beta=111.3\pm0.1^\circ$

Table S12. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **6**

| No. | Experimental |           | Calculated |
|-----|--------------|-----------|------------|
|     | Position     | Intensity | Position   |
| 1   | 7.65         | 244       | 7.57       |
| 2   | 14.75        | 411       | 14.72      |
| 3   | 17.00        | 211       | 16.96      |
| 4   | 24.65        | 1210      | 24.65      |
| 5   | 25.35        | 223       | 25.36      |
| 6   | 25.65        | 443       | 25.63      |
| 7   | 25.95        | 496       | 26.00      |
| 8   | 29.20        | 640       | 29.21      |
| 9   | 30.60        | 150       | 30.64      |
| 10  | 53.50        | 75        | 53.49      |

New room-temperature phase with the unit cell parameters:  $a=12.30\pm0.01$  Å,  $b=7.02\pm0.01$  Å;  $c=7.22\pm0.01$  Å,  $\alpha=\gamma=90^\circ$ ,  $\beta=108.5\pm0.1^\circ$

Table S13. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **7** compared to the single crystal X-ray data.

| No. | Powder XRD (T=293 K) |           | Single crystal X-ray (T=100 K) |           |
|-----|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|     | Position             | Intensity | Position                       | Intensity |
| 1   | 7.15                 | 310       | 7.20                           | 1782      |
| 2   | 14.95                | 159       | 15.20                          | 4177      |
| 3   | 17.10                | 153       | 17.50                          | 3342      |
| 4   | 21.50                | 185       | 22.10                          | 1906      |
| 5   | 23.30                | 69        | 23.25                          | 1049      |
| 6   | 23.85                | 282       | 24.05                          | 3533      |
| 7   | 24.25                | 1088      | 24.35                          | 10000     |
| 8   | 24.65                | 38        | 24.85                          | 986       |
| 9   | 25.20                | 76        | 25.15                          | 676       |
| 10  | 25.40                | 68        | 25.40                          | 1597      |
| 11  | 27.30                | 159       | 27.90                          | 1525      |
| 12  | 28.05                | 496       | 28.35                          | 4986      |
| 13  | 29.30                | 571       | 29.65                          | 6085      |
| 14  | 30.40                | 74        | 30.70                          | 1856      |
| 15  | 32.05                | 124       | 32.05                          | 1009      |
| 16  | 32.35                | 78        | 32.45                          | 475       |
| 17  | 35.70                | 92        | 35.80                          | 780       |
| 18  | 38.10                | 82        | 38.15                          | 989       |
| 19  | 40.45                | 101       | 40.35                          | 617       |
| 20  | 53.15                | 91        | 53.50                          | 901       |

Table S14. Main peaks detected at the powder XRD pattern of indigoid **9**

| No. | Experimental |           | Calculated |
|-----|--------------|-----------|------------|
|     | Position     | Intensity | Position   |
| 1   | 7.75         | 215       | 7.74       |
| 2   | 14.55        | 359       | 14.54      |
| 3   | 24.55        | 1678      | 24.53      |
| 4   | 25.05        | 526       | 25.03      |
| 5   | 26.10        | 3900      | 26.07      |
| 6   | 27.00        | 966       | 27.01      |
| 7   | 28.00        | 1179      | 28.00      |
| 8   | 28.50        | 529       | 28.52      |
| 9   | 31.10        | 1391      | 31.11      |
| 10  | 34.50        | 278       | 34.50      |
| 11  | 39.15        | 205       | 39.14      |
| 12  | 42.90        | 229       | 42.90      |
| 13  | 47.40        | 688       | 47.43      |

New room-temperature phase with the unit cell parameters:  $a=12.93\pm0.01$  Å,  $b=4.54\pm0.01$  Å;  $c=12.26\pm0.01$  Å,  $\alpha=\gamma=90^\circ$ ,  $\beta=111.4\pm0.1^\circ$