

## Supplementary Information

### Switchable Dielectric Behaviour Associated with Above Room-Temperature Phase Transition in N-Isopropylbenzylammonium Dichloroacetate (N-IPBADC)

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**Table S1.** Crystal data and structural refinement for N-IPBADC at different temperatures.

| Temperature (K)                            | 293   | 323   | 343   | 356   | 358   |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Empirical formula                          | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>17</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>17</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>17</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>17</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>17</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> |
| Crystal system                             | Monoclinic  | Monoclinic  | Monoclinic  | Monoclinic  | Monoclinic  |
| Space group                                | P2 <sub>1</sub> /c  |
| <i>a</i> (Å)                               | 9.700(8)  | 9.7598(3)   | 9.7856(5)   | 9.7987(8)   | 9.8256(9)   |
| <i>b</i> (Å)                               | 8.569(6)  | 8.5995(2)   | 8.6119(3)   | 8.6320(4)   | 8.6329(5)   |
| <i>c</i> (Å)                               | 17.378(14)  | 17.5609(6)  | 17.6992(11)   | 17.6834(11)   | 17.8841(19)   |
| <i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )                 | 1389.7(18)  | 1416.03(7)  | 1429.77(13)   | 1444.08(16)   | 1450.2(2)   |
| β (deg.)                                   | 105.825(13)   | 106.105(4)  | 106.549 (5)   | 106.919(7)  | 107.061 (8)   |
| <i>Z</i>                                   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 4   |
| Calculated density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )   | 1.329   | 1.305   | 1.292   | 1.280   | 1.274   |
| Absorption coefficient (mm <sup>-1</sup> ) | 0.457   | 0.449   | 0.445   | 0.440   | 0.438   |
| <i>F</i> (000)                             | 584.0   | 584.0   | 584.0   | 584.0   | 584.0   |
| Theta range for data                       | 2.67 to 27.50   | 3.21 to 26.37   | 3.20 to 26.37   | 3.19 to 26.37   | 3.19 to 26.37   |

| collection                   |                                    |                                    |                                    |                                    |                                    |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Index ranges                 | -12≤h≤12,<br>-10≤k≤11,<br>-22≤l≤22 | -12≤h≤12,<br>-10≤k≤10,<br>-21≤l≤21 | -12≤h≤12,<br>-10≤k≤10,<br>-20≤l≤22 | -12≤h≤12,<br>-10≤k≤10,<br>-22≤l≤20 | -12≤h≤12,<br>-10≤k≤10,<br>-21≤l≤22 |
| Reflections collected        | 10400 / 3168                       | 8874 / 2886                        | 8983 / 2922                        | 9116 / 2957                        | 8979 / 2965                        |
| GOF                          | 1.103                              | 1.073                              | 1.088                              | 1.102                              | 1.031                              |
| $R_1, wR_2 [I > 2\sigma(I)]$ | 0.0560, 0.1437                     | 0.0688, 0.1916                     | 0.0824, 0.2368                     | 0.0889, 0.2759                     | 0.0475, 0.1230                     |
| $R_1, wR_2$ [all data]       | 0.0702, 0.1604                     | 0.0879, 0.2137                     | 0.1060, 0.2664                     | 0.1167, 0.3091                     | 0.0810, 0.1526                     |

**Table 2.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for N-IPBADC at 293K. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

|       | x        | y       | z        | U(eq) |
|-------|----------|---------|----------|-------|
| Cl(2) | 1260(1)  | 3362(1) | 102(1)   | 78(1) |
| Cl(1) | 1899(1)  | 113(1)  | -73(1)   | 77(1) |
| N(1)  | -4473(2) | 2413(2) | -1970(1) | 41(1) |
| O(2)  | 3734(2)  | 3144(2) | 1472(1)  | 69(1) |
| C(12) | 3376(2)  | 1827(3) | 1230(1)  | 46(1) |
| O(1)  | 4023(2)  | 615(2)  | 1467(1)  | 72(1) |
| C(6)  | -2254(2) | 2383(3) | -2404(1) | 45(1) |
| C(7)  | -3146(3) | 3285(3) | -1972(2) | 57(1) |
| C(11) | 1902(3)  | 1633(3) | 615(1)   | 51(1) |
| C(1)  | -1107(3) | 1509(3) | -1977(2) | 54(1) |
| C(8)  | -5420(3) | 3203(3) | -1531(2) | 53(1) |
| C(2)  | -280(3)  | 685(3)  | -2364(2) | 65(1) |
| C(5)  | -2553(3) | 2422(3) | -3227(2) | 57(1) |
| C(10) | -6817(3) | 2324(4) | -1711(2) | 74(1) |
| C(3)  | -578(3)  | 732(4)  | -3178(2) | 67(1) |
| C(4)  | -1709(3) | 1604(4) | -3612(2) | 67(1) |
| C(9)  | -4693(4) | 3287(4) | -657(2)  | 83(1) |

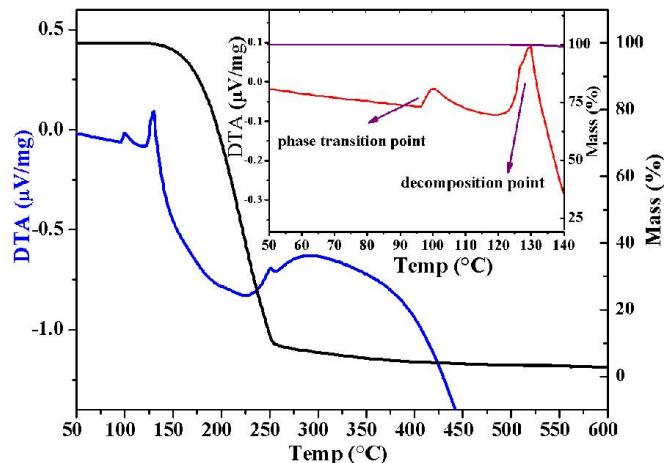
**Table 3.** Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for N-IPBADC at 293K.

|                  |            |                 |            |                   |            |
|------------------|------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Cl(2)-C(11)      | 1.753(3)   | C(12)-O(1)      | 1.225(3)   | C(1)-C(2)         | 1.374(4)   |
| Cl(1)-C(11)      | 1.767(3)   | C(12)-C(11)     | 1.542(3)   | C(8)-C(9)         | 1.492(4)   |
| N(1)-C(7)        | 1.489(3)   | C(6)-C(1)       | 1.378(3)   | C(8)-C(10)        | 1.506(4)   |
| N(1)-C(8)        | 1.506(3)   | C(6)-C(5)       | 1.380(3)   | C(2)-C(3)         | 1.365(4)   |
| O(2)-C(12)       | 1.222(3)   | C(6)-C(7)       | 1.503(3)   | C(5)-C(4)         | 1.381(4)   |
| C(3)-C(4)        | 1.371(4)   |                 |            |                   |            |
|                  |            |                 |            |                   |            |
| C(7)-N(1)-C(8)   | 115.06(18) | O(2)-C(12)-O(1) | 126.6(2)   | O(2)-C(12)-C(11)  | 117.4(2)   |
| O(1)-C(12)-C(11) | 115.8(2)   | C(1)-C(6)-C(5)  | 118.8(2)   | C(1)-C(6)-C(7)    | 120.1(2)   |
| C(5)-C(6)-C(7)   | 121.2(2)   | N(1)-C(7)-C(6)  | 111.02(19) | C(12)-C(11)-Cl(2) | 113.28(16) |

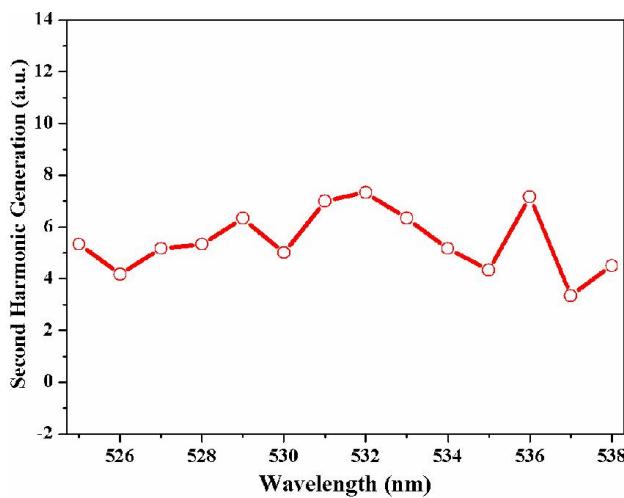
|                   |            |                   |            |                 |          |
|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-----------------|----------|
| C(12)-C(11)-Cl(1) | 112.22(17) | Cl(2)-C(11)-Cl(1) | 110.09(14) | C(2)-C(1)-C(6)  | 120.6(2) |
| C(9)-C(8)-N(1)    | 110.7(2)   | C(9)-C(8)-C(10)   | 112.6(2)   | N(1)-C(8)-C(10) | 108.0(2) |
| C(3)-C(2)-C(1)    | 120.3(2)   | C(6)-C(5)-C(4)    | 120.4(2)   | C(2)-C(3)-C(4)  | 119.9(3) |
| C(3)-C(4)-C(5)    | 120.1(3)   |                   |            |                 |          |

**Table 4.** Equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for the chlorine of N-IPBADC at different temperatures. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

| Atom  | U(eq) |       |        |        |
|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
|       | 293 K | 323 K | 343 K  | 356 K  |
| Cl(1) | 77(1) | 92(1) | 108(1) | 129(1) |
| Cl(2) | 78(1) | 93(1) | 110(1) | 126(1) |



**Figure S1.** The TG/DTA curves of N-IPBADC with heating rate 5 °C/min.



**Figure S2.** The SHG signals of N-IPBADC at room temperature with 1064 nm irritation.

