

Supplementary Material

Characterization of Charge States in Conducting Organic Nanoparticles by X-Ray Photoemission Spectroscopy

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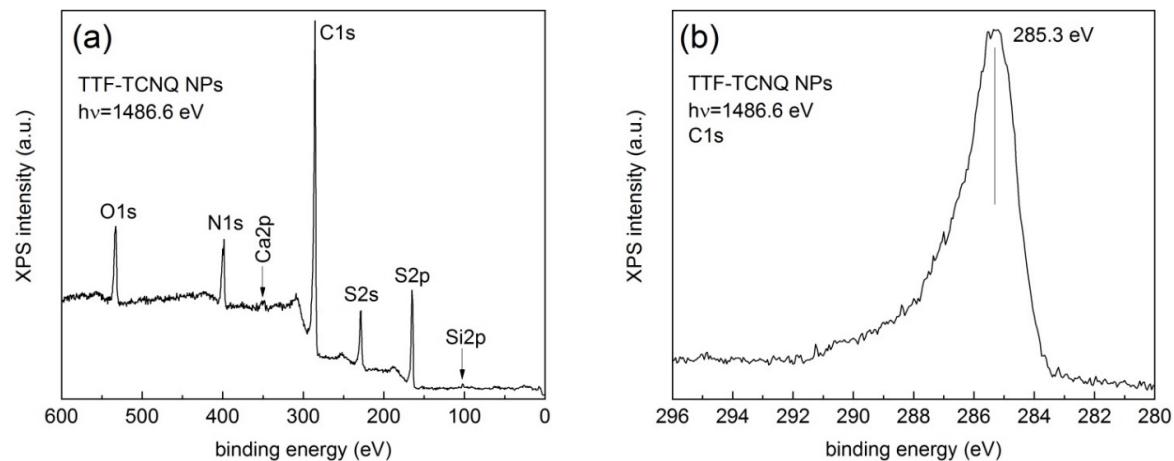


Figure S1. XPS survey (a) and C1s (b) spectra of a dispersion of NPs of TTF-TCNQ stabilized with *n*-octylamine measured with monochromatic 1486.6 eV photons.

In (a) the main lines are identified together with the contribution from traces of Si and Ca (arrows). The estimated at. % is: 71.3 [C], 12.8 [S], 8.2 [N], 6.5 [O], 0.5 [Si], 0.7 [Ca]. The nominal 1:1 stoichiometry of TTF-TCNQ is $C_{18}H_8S_4N_4$ (TTF= $C_6H_4S_4$ and TCNQ= $C_{12}H_4N_4$), so that $[S]/[N]=1$ and $[C]/[S]=[C]/[N]=4.5$. From the estimated at.% we obtain $[C]/[S]=5.6$, $[C]/[N]=8.7$ and $[S]/[N]=1.6$. The excess of C arises from the remaining n-octylamine stabilizer and from contamination due to the exposure to the atmosphere while the $[S]/[N] > 1$ ratio indicates an excess of TTF. The main contribution to the C1s line in (b) is centred at 285.3 eV, which arises from C-C and C-H bonding. The shoulder at higher binding energies contains contributions from C-S, C-N and C-O bonding.

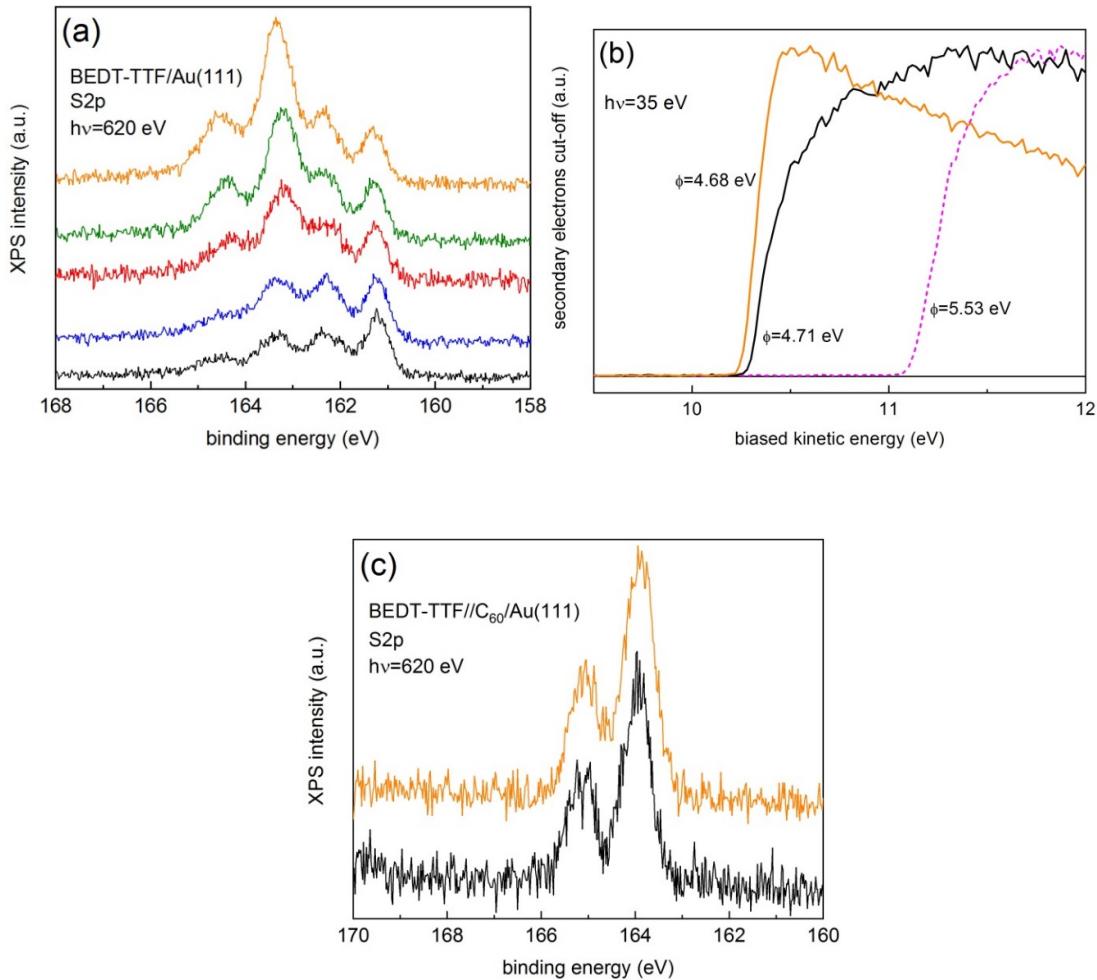


Figure S2. (a) XPS S2p lines of BEDT-TTF/Au(111) as a function of coverage measured with 620 eV photons, (b) work functions and (c) XPS S2p lines determined for thin BEDT-TTF films on C₆₀-covered Au(111) substrates determined with 35 and 620 eV photons, respectively.

(a) High-resolution XPS S2p lines of BEDT-TTF/Au(111) as a function of coverage obtained with 620 eV photons. Colour codes: 0.08 ML (black line), 0.5 ML (blue line), 1 ML (red line), 6 ML (green line) and a thick BEDT-TTF film (orange line). (b) Photoemission onset determined with 35 eV photons for a clean Au(111) substrate (discontinuous magenta line), and for 0.17 and 16 ML BEDT-TTF films (continuous black and orange lines, respectively) grown on a 5 nm thick C₆₀ film on Au(111) showing the corresponding work functions. (c) High-resolution XPS S2p lines of BEDT-TTF films grown on a 5 nm thick C₆₀ film on Au(111) as a function of coverage obtained with 620 eV photons. See colour codes in (b) for the corresponding coverages.

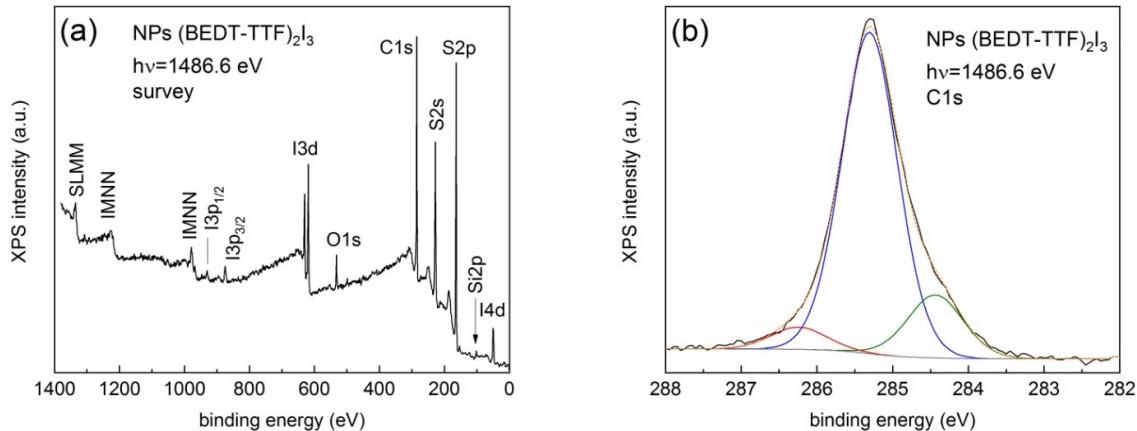


Figure S3. XPS survey (a) and C1s (b) spectra of a dispersion of NPs of $(\text{BEDT-TTF})_2\text{I}_3$ measured with monochromatic 1486.6 eV photons.

In (a) the main lines are identified together with the contribution from traces of Si (arrow). The main contribution to the C1s line in (b) is centred at 285.3 eV, which arises from C-C and C-H bonding. The shoulder at higher binding energies (286.2 eV) contains contributions from C-S bonding. The feature centred at 284.4 eV most probably arises from the conductive carbon tape strips used to fix the nanoparticles on the sample holder.