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Polymers of 4-Thieno[3,2-b]thiophen-3-ylbenzonitrile wit Anthracene and Biphenyl: Electronic and Optoelectronic Properties

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- Rich in sulfur
- Good electron donors
- Good electron delocalization
- Building block of many electronic and optoelectronic materials





thieno[3,4-b]thiophene

thieno[3,4-c]thiophene

## **Applications of Thienothiophene Based Materials**



## Anthracene



Chemical Structure of Anthracene



Synthesis of Anthracene by Elbs Reaction

- Solid polycyclic aromatic molecule consisting of three fused benzene rings.
- Can tune the molecular packing and charge transport properties.
- $\pi$ -electron-rich structure for electronic materials.
- Exhibits a blue fluoresence under ultraviolet light.

# Biphenyl



Chemical Structure of Biphenyl

- Good for conjugated and ordered packing.
- Has important roles as  $\pi$  conjugated bridge and electron rich donor.
- Could be used for opto and electronic aplications.



# Experimental

- Initially, the syntehesis of monoketone **1** was performed.
- Then, thienothiophene (TT) 2 ring was constructed through ring closure of 1.
- Dibromination of the TT gave dibromo-TT **3**.



• Dibromination of anthracene yielded dibromoanthracene 4. In order to make it ready for a Suzuki polymerization in the next step, it was borolated to obtain 5.

## Experimental



Similarly, dibromobiphenyl was borolayted to obtain **6** for Suzuki polymerization to obtain the second polymer

## Experimental



Two different polymers, including anthracene **P2** and biphenyl **P1** groups, were then obtained through Suzuki polymerization reaction.

### **Results** Obtained Molecules

Polymer of TT-Biphenyl

Polymer of TT-Anthracene



under uv light





#### under uv light





UV-Visible and Fluorescence of p(TT-Biphenyl) in THF



**UV-Visible and Fluorescence of p(TT-Ant) in THF** 



**Electrochemical Proporties of p(TT-Biphenyl)** 



**Electrochemical Proporties of p(TT-Ant)** 



#### **Optical Proporties of P1 and P2**

Polymers	$\lambda_{\rm max} - UV (nm)$	$\lambda_{max}$ – Floresans (nm)	E <sub>opt</sub> (eV)
p(TT-Biphenyl) P1	380	480	2.64
p(TT-Ant) P2	260, 400	515	2.61





#### **Electrochemical Proporties of P1 and P2**

Polymers	<b>Oxidation Potential (V)</b>	<b>Reduction Potential (V)</b>	E <sub>electronic</sub> (eV)
p(TT-Biphenyl) P1	1.28	-0.75	2.03
p(TT-Ant) P2	1.42	-0.64	2.06





## Conclusion

- In this work, two novel polymers, containing thienothiophene, anthracene and biphenyl groups, were designed and synthesized by Suzuki polymerization.
- Electronic and optical properties of the resultant polymers were investigated.
- UV, emission and CV values indicated that P1 and P2 are suitable materials for electronic and optical applications.