

Supporting Information

Alkyl-Parity Controlled Switching of Polar/Antipolar Organic Semiconductors

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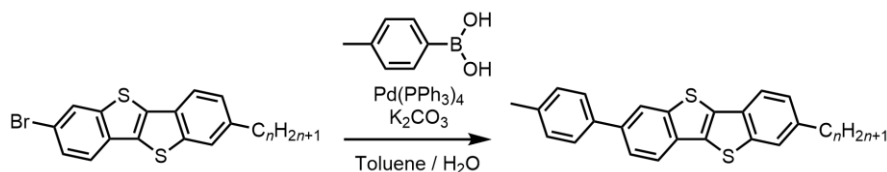
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Materials Synthesis

All chemicals and solvents are of reagent grade unless otherwise indicated. Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded on a JEOL JNM-ECS400 spectrometer at 400MHz. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to tetramethylsilane (δ 0.00). The data of multiplicity are shown as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet. Mass analyses (MS) were performed on a Shimadzu GC-MS QP2010SE in an electron impact ionization procedure. Elemental analyses were collected on a J-Science Lab JM10. As shown in Scheme S1, *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n were all synthesized using Suzuki coupling reaction between Br-BTBT- C_n and *para*-tolylboronic acid. Corresponding Br-BTBT- C_n were synthesized by the reported procedure^{S15}.

General procedure for the synthesis of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n : A mixture of corresponding Br-BTBT- C_n (1 mmol), *p*-tolylboronic acid (272 mg, 2 mmol, 2.0 eq), K_2CO_3 (276 mg, 5.0 eq), and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (57.8 mg, 5 mol%) in a mixed solution of toluene (50 mL) and H_2O (10 mL) was stirred for 5 h at 90 °C. The organic layer was separated and passed through a silica gel pad with hexane-chloroform (5:1 v/v) as eluent. Purification of the white powdered product obtained by evaporation was finally carried out by recrystallization from a mixed solution of chloroform and ethanol to afford the corresponding *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n as white crystals.



Scheme S1. Synthetic scheme of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n .

***p*Tol-BTBT- C_5 :** 87 % yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.42 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 1.71 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.37 (m, 4H, CH_2), 0.91 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$); δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.37, 138.05, 137.89, 137.25, 133.53, 132.40, 132.14, 131.09, 129.64, 127.13, 125.93, 124.28, 123.37, 122.04, 121.53, 121.22, 36.11, 31.50, 31.39, 22.57, 21.13, 14.04. MS (EI mode) m/z 400. Anal. Calcd for $C_{26}H_{24}S_2$: C, 77.95%, H, 6.04%. Found: C, 78.03%, H, 6.29%.

***p*Tol-BTBT- C_6 :** 82 % yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.42 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 1.71 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.33 (m, 6H, CH_2), 0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$); δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14,

125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.16, 31.75, 31.68, 29.00, 22.63, 21.14, 14.11. MS (EI mode) m/z 414. Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{26}S_2$: C, 78.21%, H, 6.32%. Found: C, 78.20%, H, 6.53%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₇**: 84 % yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.42 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 1.71 (tt, $J = 8.0, 7.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.35-1.27 (m, 8H, CH_2), 0.89 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.16, 31.83, 31.72, 29.29, 29.20, 22.68, 21.14, 14.11. MS (EI mode) m/z 428.2. Anal. Calcd for $C_{28}H_{28}S_2$: C, 78.46%, H, 6.58%. Found: C, 78.61%, H, 6.80%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₈**: 75 % yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.42 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 1.70 (tt, $J = 8.0, 7.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.35-1.27 (br, 10H, CH_2), 0.88 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.16, 31.89, 31.72, 29.50, 29.34, 29.27, 22.68, 21.14, 14.12. MS (EI mode) m/z 442. Anal. Calcd for $C_{29}H_{30}S_2$: C, 78.68%, H, 6.83%. Found: C, 78.73%, H, 7.02%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₉**: 77 % yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.42 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 1.70 (tt, $J = 8.0, 7.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.35-1.27 (br, 12H, CH_2), 0.88 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.17, 31.92, 31.74, 29.59, 29.57, 29.36, 29.36, 22.70, 21.16, 14.14. MS (EI mode) m/z 456. Anal. Calcd for $C_{30}H_{32}S_2$: C, 78.90%, H, 7.06%. Found: C, 78.90%, H, 7.16%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₁₀**: 64 % yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.42 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 1.70 (tt, $J = 8.0, 7.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.35-1.27 (br, 14H, CH_2), 0.88 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.16, 31.91, 31.71, 29.62, 29.61, 29.53, 29.34(2C), 22.69, 21.14, 14.12. MS (EI mode) m/z 470. Anal. Calcd for $C_{31}H_{34}S_2$: C, 79.10%, H, 7.28%. Found: C, 79.03%, H, 7.30%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₁₁**: 72 % yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.42 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 1.70 (tt, *J* = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.35-1.27 (br, 16H, CH₂), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.16, 31.92, 31.71, 29.67, 29.63, 29.60, 29.54, 29.35, 29.32, 22.69, 21.14, 14.13. MS (EI mode) *m/z* 484. Anal. Calcd for C₃₂H₃₆S₂: C, 79.29%, H, 7.49%. Found: C, 79.16%, H, 7.51%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₁₂**: 92 % yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.42 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 1.70 (tt, *J* = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.35-1.27 (br, 18H, CH₂), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.15, 31.93, 31.71, 29.67(3C), 29.60, 29.53, 29.36, 29.31, 22.70, 21.14, 14.13. MS (EI mode) *m/z* 498. Anal. Calcd for C₃₃H₃₈S₂: C, 79.47%, H, 7.68%. Found: C, 79.09%, H, 7.63%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₁₃**: 59 % yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.42 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 1.70 (tt, *J* = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.35-1.27 (br, 20H, CH₂), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.15, 31.93, 31.71, 29.67(4C), 29.60, 29.53, 29.36, 29.31, 22.70, 21.14, 14.13. MS (EI mode) *m/z* 512. Anal. Calcd for C₃₄H₄₀S₂: C, 79.63%, H, 7.86%. Found: C, 79.53%, H, 7.80%.

***p*Tol-BTBT-C₁₄**: 61 % yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.10 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (m, 3H, ArH), 2.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.42 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 1.70 (tt, *J* = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.35-1.27 (br, 22H, CH₂), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 142.90, 142.64, 140.39, 138.06, 137.90, 137.26, 133.53, 132.41, 132.15, 131.10, 129.65, 127.14, 125.94, 124.30, 123.37, 122.05, 121.54, 121.22, 36.15, 31.93, 31.71, 29.67(5C), 29.60, 29.53, 29.37, 29.31, 22.70, 21.11, 14.13. MS (EI mode) *m/z* 526. Anal. Calcd for C₃₅H₄₂S₂: C, 79.79%, H, 8.04%. Found: C, 79.35%, H, 7.75%.

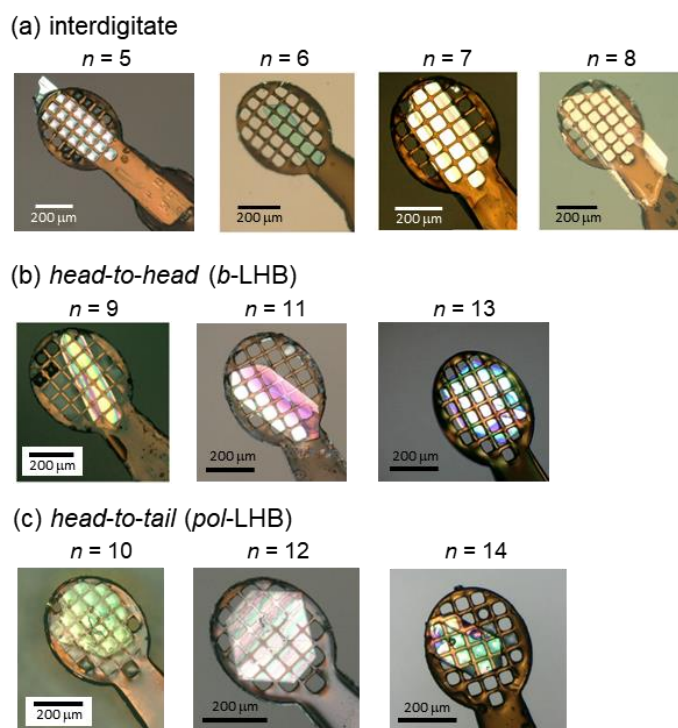


Figure S1. Optical micrographs for single crystals of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n for crystal structure analyses.

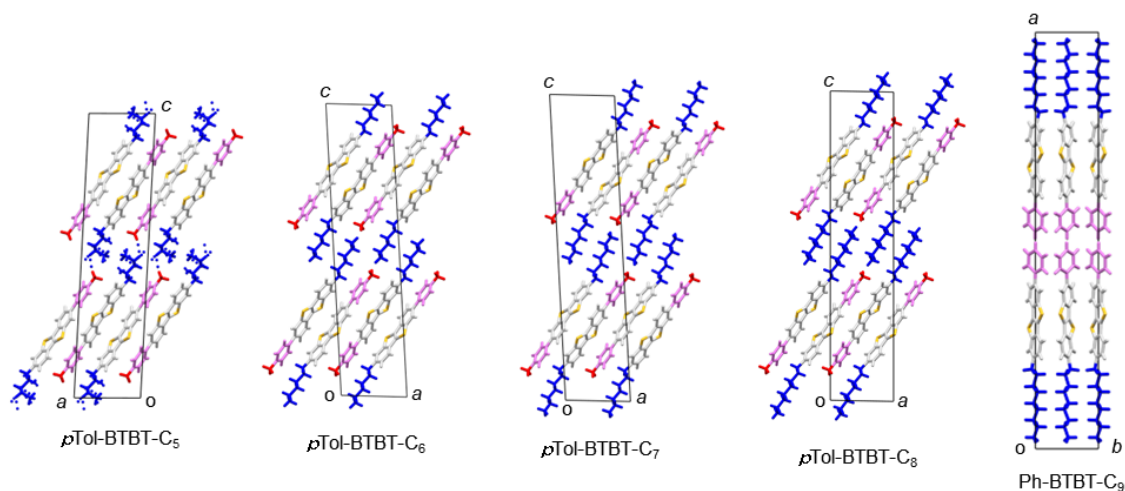


Figure S2. Packing diagrams of $p\text{Tol-BTBT-C}_n$ ($n = 5-8$) and Ph-BTBT-C_9 . Sulfur and carbon atom of the BTBT moiety are shown by the color of yellow and white, respectively, whereas alkyl chains, phenyl groups, and end methyl groups by blue, pink, and red.

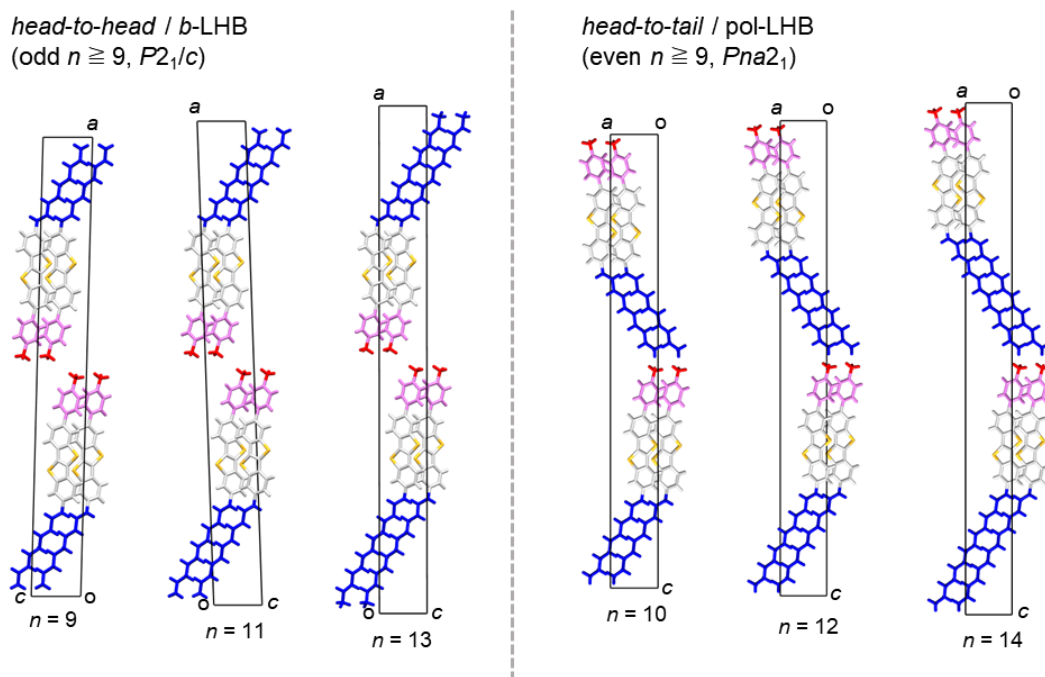


Figure S3. Packing diagrams of $p\text{Tol-BTBT-C}_n$ ($n = 9-14$) projected along the a - c plane. Sulfur and carbon atoms of the BTBT moiety are shown by the color of yellow and white, respectively, whereas alkyl chains, phenyl groups, and end methyl groups by blue, pink, and red.

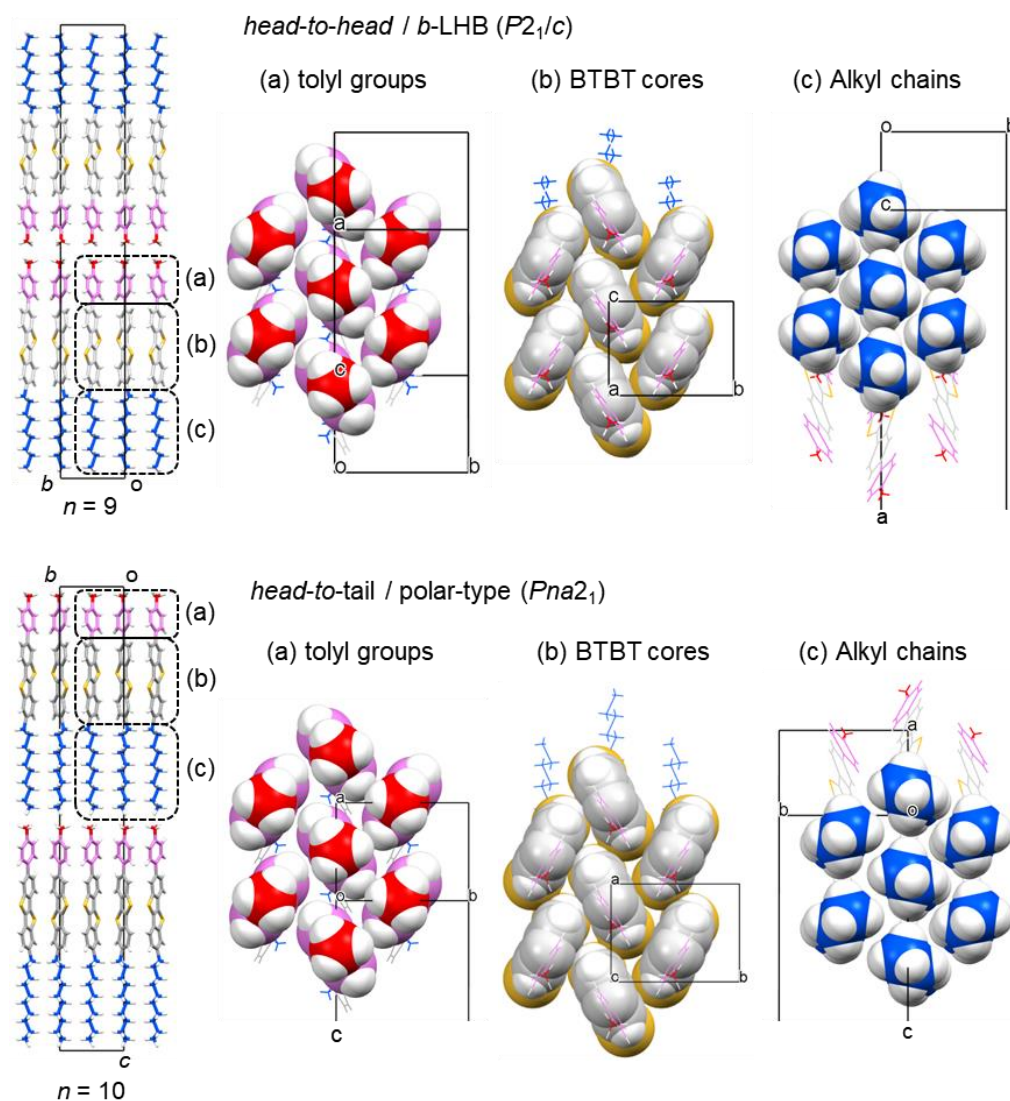


Figure S4. Intermolecular packing arrangement of the *pTol*-BTBT- C_9 (top) and *pTol*-BTBT- C_{10} (bottom) depicted by space-filling views for each molecular moiety: (a) *para*-tolyl groups, (b) BTBT cores, and (c) alkyl chains.

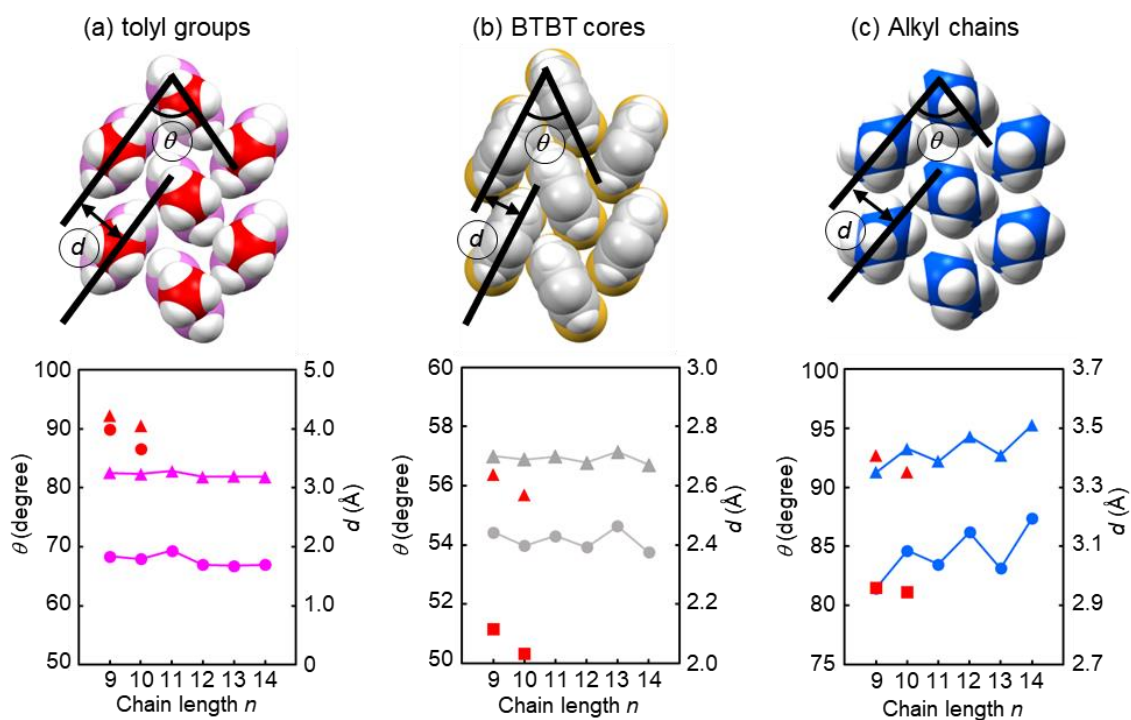


Figure S5. Variation of intralayer molecular packing arrangement in *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n ($n = 9-12$). The changes in dihedral angles θ (○) and mean interplanar distance d (△) are plotted as a function of alkyl chain length n for the layers of (a) tolyl groups, (b) BTBT cores, and (c) all-trans alkyl chain plane. Definition of the dihedral angles and mean interplanar distances are shown in the corresponding space-filling views. Red plots show the results of Ph-BTBT- C_n ($n = 9$ and 10).

Table S1. Crystallographic parameters of Ph-BTBT-C₉ and *p*Tol-BTBT-C_{*n*}.

Compounds	Ph-BTBT-C ₉	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₅	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₆	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₇	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₈
Chemical formula	C ₂₉ H ₃₀ S ₂	C ₂₆ H ₂₄ S ₂	C ₂₇ H ₂₆ S ₂	C ₂₈ H ₂₈ S ₂	C ₂₉ H ₃₀ S ₂
Formula weight	442.68	400.60	414.62	428.65	442.68
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	51.657(9)	9.1167(5)	9.1363(5)	9.1572(3)	9.0903(4)
<i>b</i> (Å)	7.8515(14)	5.9715(3)	5.9272(2)	5.9434(2)	5.9152(3)
<i>c</i> (Å)	6.1099(9)	39.007(2)	40.763(2)	43.0458(15)	44.417(2)
α (deg)	90	90	90	90	90
β (deg)	90.843(15)	92.845(5)	94.484(5)	94.237(3)	91.059(4)
γ (deg)	90	90	90	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	2477.8(7)	2120.94(19)	2200.67(18)	2336.36(14)	2387.94(19)
<i>Z</i> vaule	4	4	4	4	4
<i>D</i> _{calc} (g/cm ³)	1.187	1.254	1.251	1.219	1.231
Temperature	300	300	300	300	300
Radiation	MoK α	MoK α	MoK α	MoK α	MoK α
No. of reflections	5742	4864	5014	5264	5346
No. of valuables	280	253	262	271	280
<i>R</i> (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	0.1558	0.0717	0.0763	0.0744	0.1421
<i>wR</i> ²	0.3614	0.1817	0.1290	0.1721	0.3691

Compounds	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₉	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₁₀	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₁₁	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₁₂	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₁₃	<i>p</i> Tol-BTBT-C ₁₄
Chemical formula	C ₃₀ H ₃₂ S ₂	C ₃₁ H ₃₄ S ₂	C ₃₂ H ₃₆ S ₂	C ₃₃ H ₃₈ S ₂	C ₃₄ H ₄₀ S ₂	C ₃₅ H ₄₂ S ₂
Formula weight	456.70	470.73	484.78	498.78	512.78	526.84
Crystal system	monoclinic	orthorhombic	monoclinic	orthorhombic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>Pna</i> 2 ₁	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>Pna</i> 2 ₁	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>Pna</i> 2 ₁
<i>a</i> (Å)	54.718(2)	5.92852(18)	59.180(6)	5.90933(13)	63.005(18)	5.9024(5)
<i>b</i> (Å)	7.8060(4)	7.7655(2)	7.8152(8)	7.7398(2)	7.852(3)	7.7178(8)
<i>c</i> (Å)	5.9079(3)	56.2232(16)	5.9147(5)	60.5371(17)	5.9208(16)	64.954(4)
α (deg)	90	90	90	90	90	90
β (deg)	91.482(4)	90	91.9725(16)	90	90.041(6)	90
γ (deg)	90	90	90	90	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	2522.6(2)	2588.40(13)	2733.9(5)	2768.79(12)	2929.0(15)	2958.9(4)
<i>Z</i> vaule	4	4	4	4	4	4
<i>D</i> _{calc} (g/cm ³)	1.202	1.208	1.178	1.196	1.163	1.183
Temperature	300	300	300	300	300	300
Radiation	MoK α	MoK α	synchrotron (λ = 1.000 Å)	MoK α	synchrotron (λ = 1.233 Å)	MoK α
No. of reflections	5772	6583	1879	5425	2501	6673
No. of valuables	289	298	207	316	227	334
<i>R</i> (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	0.1348	0.0622	0.0908	0.0434	0.1668	0.1016
<i>wR</i> ²	0.2932	0.1234	0.2226	0.0972	0.4660	0.1636

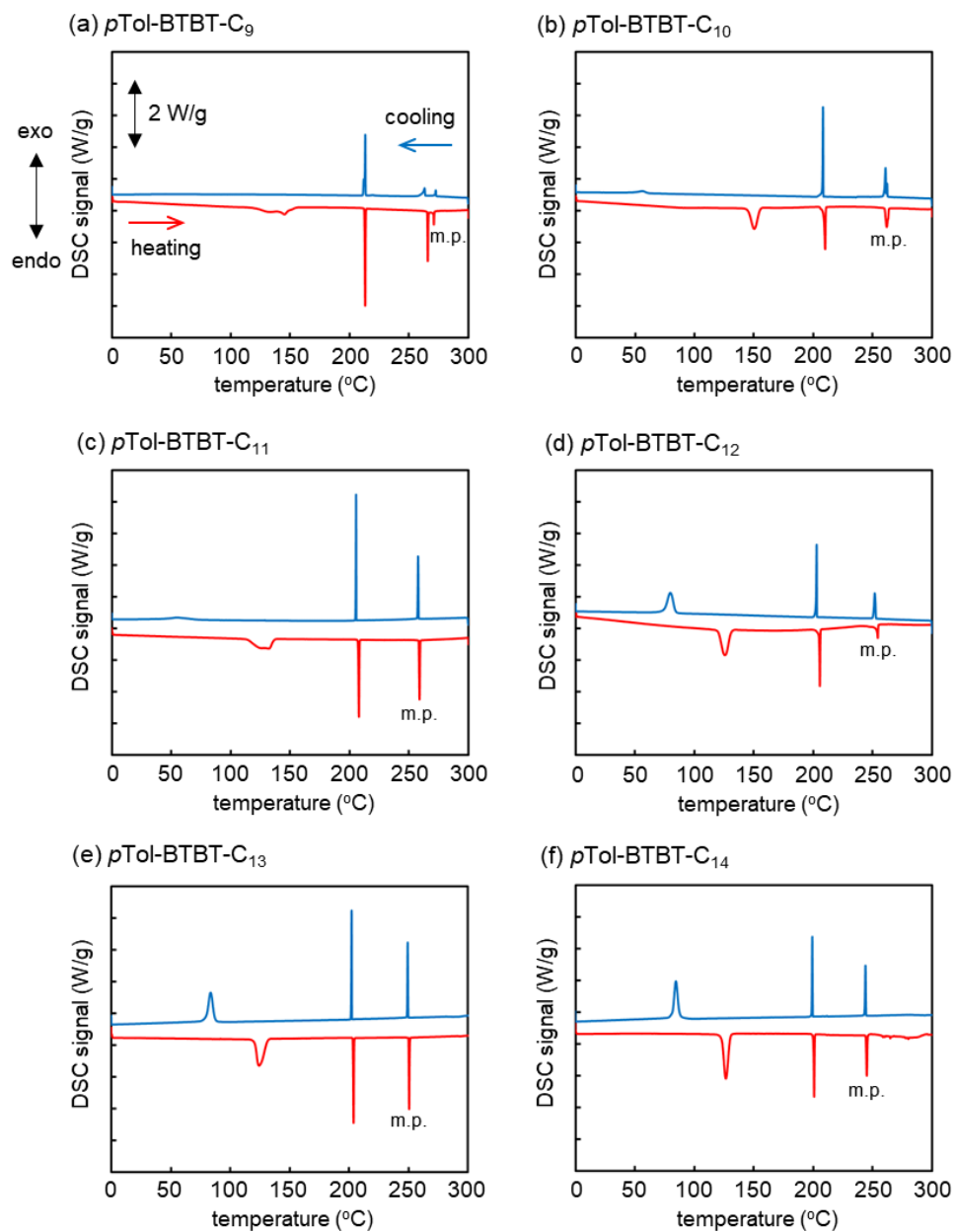


Figure S6. DSC charts of $p\text{Tol-BTBT-C}_n$ for (a) $n = 9$, (b) $n = 10$, (c) $n = 11$, (d) $n = 12$, (e) $n = 13$, and (f) $n = 14$ measured at 5 K/min. Red curves and blue curves show the results for first heating run and subsequent cooling run, respectively.

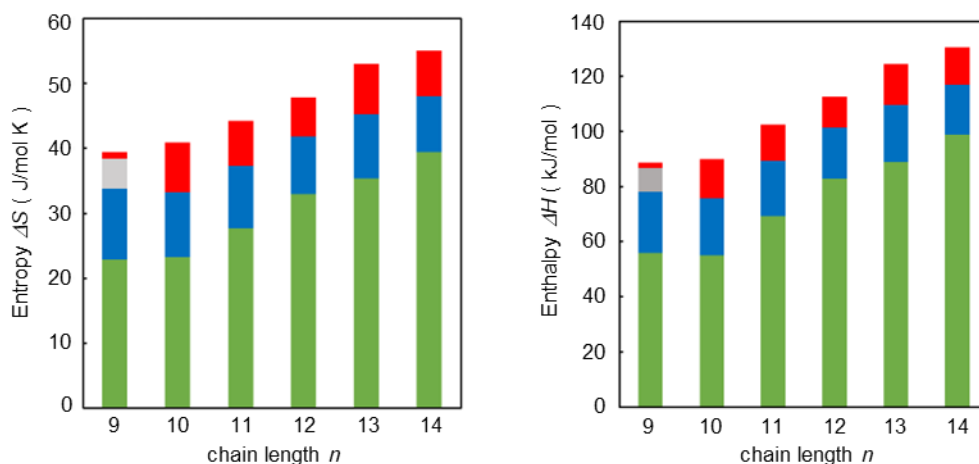


Figure S7. Changes in enthalpy ΔS and entropy ΔH , calculated from DSC charts in the heating step. ΔS : $\Delta H/T_{\text{trans}}$, ΔH : enthalpy change, and T_{trans} : phase transition temperature, green: crystal to smectic E phase transition, blue: smectic E to liquid-crystal phase transition, red: melting point, gray: phase transition at 265 °C for $n = 9$ (where the peak was observed before melting point).

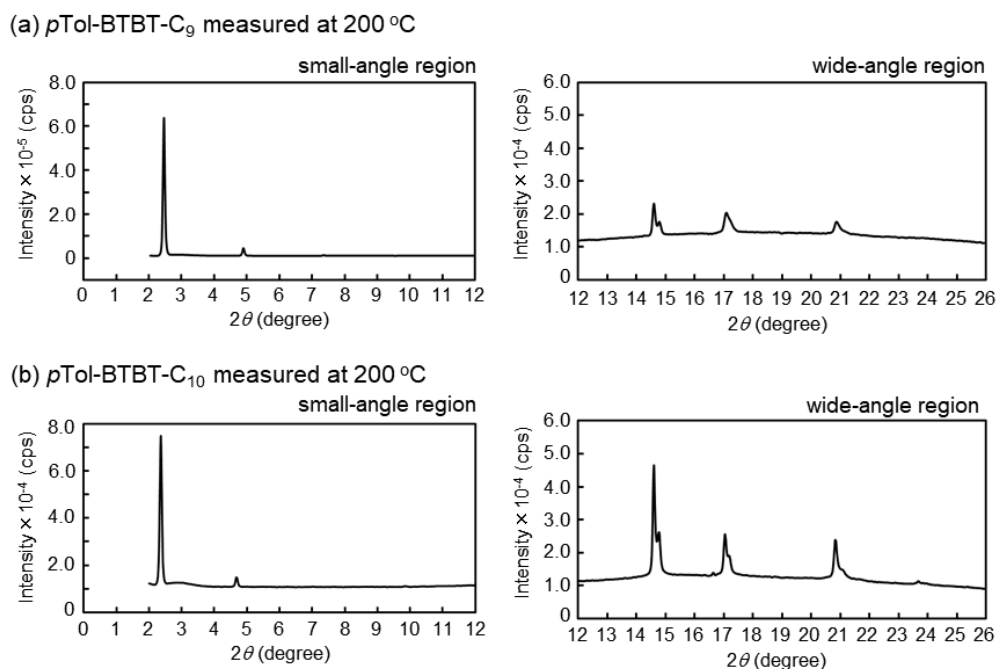


Figure S8. Powder XRD profiles of (a) *pTol-BTBT-C₉* and (b) *pTol-BTBT-C₁₀* measured at 200 °C in the small-angle region (left) and wide-angle region (right).

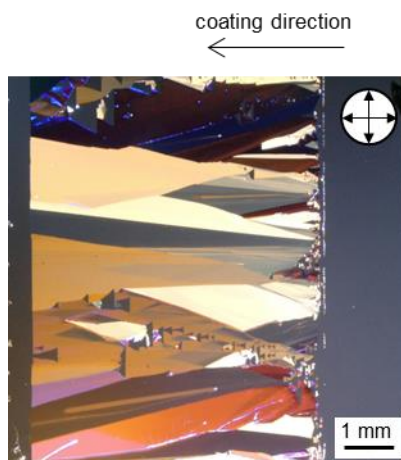


Figure S9. An crossed-Nicols polarized optical microscope image of blade-coated single-crystal thin film of *pTol-BTBT-C*₁₀. As the film is composed of several single crystal domains, we used a single domain after trimming other crystal domains away for the XRD measurements.

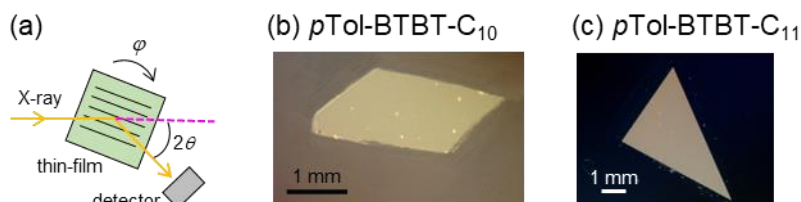


Figure S10. (a) Schematic experimental setup for in-plane XRD measurements of single-crystal films. (b)(c) Crossed-Nicols polarized micrographs for isolated single crystal domain film of *pTol-BTBT-C*₁₀ (thickness: 20 nm) and *pTol-BTBT-C*₁₁ (thickness: 16 nm) used for the XRD measurements.

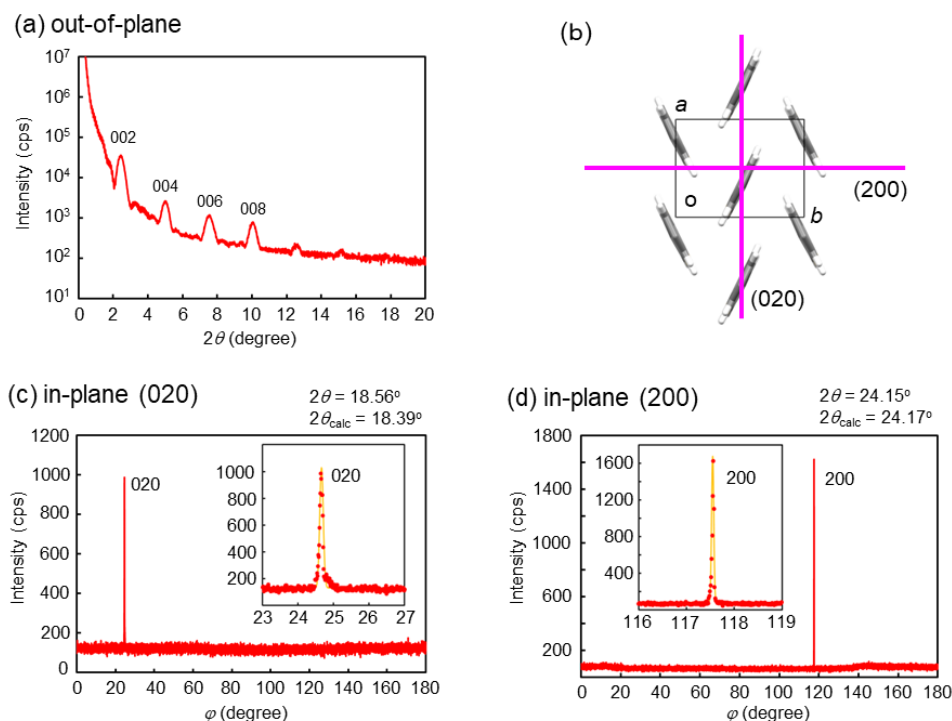


Figure S11. (a) Out-of-plane XRD profiles of the single-crystal thin film of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{10} shown in Figure S10b. (b) Schematics for the arrangement of BTBT cores in a - b plane (in-plane) obtained by the crystallographic data of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{10} bulk crystal. Purple lines show (200) and (020) plane, respectively. (c)(d) In-plane-XRD profiles of the single-crystal thin film of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{10} shown in Figure S10b. $2\theta_{\text{calc}}$ means the value calculated from the crystallographic data of bulk crystal. The used wavelength λ of the synchrotron X-rays was = 1.241 Å.

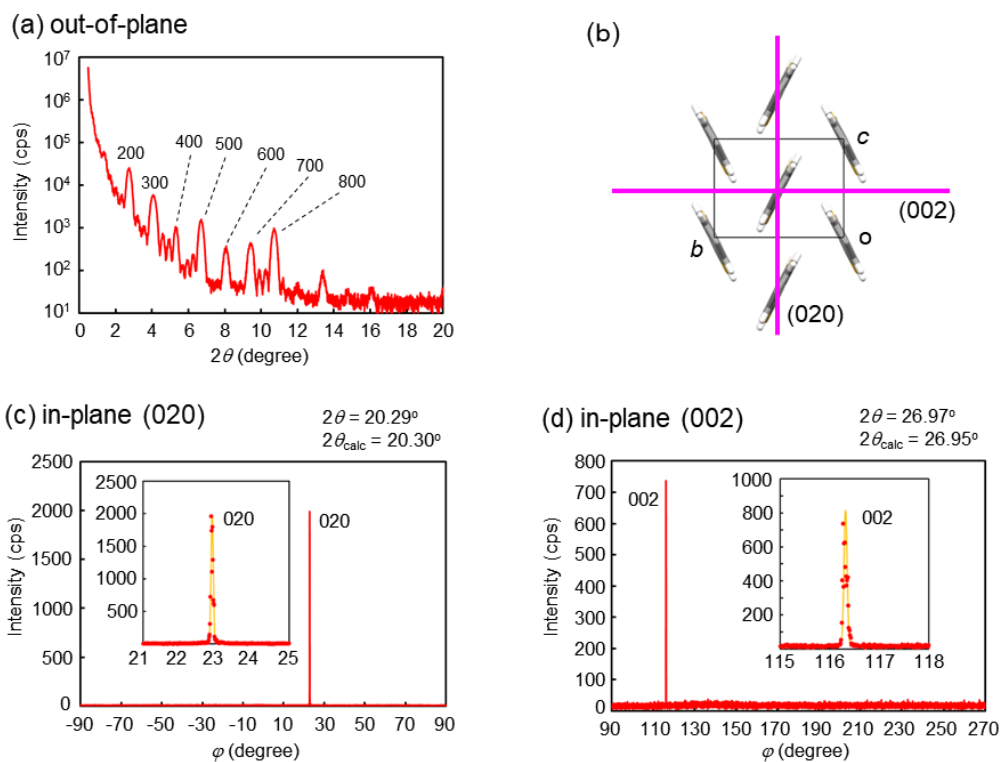


Figure S12. (a) Out-of-plane XRD profiles of the single-crystal thin film of p Tol-BTBT- C_{11} shown in Figure S10c. (b) Schematics for the arrangement of BTBT cores in b - c plane (in-plane) obtained by the crystallographic data of p Tol-BTBT- C_{11} bulk crystal. Purple lines show (002) and (020) plane, respectively. (c)(d) In-plane-XRD profiles of the single-crystal thin film of p Tol-BTBT- C_{11} shown in Figure S10c. $2\theta_{\text{calc}}$ means the value calculated from the crystallographic data of bulk crystal. The used wavelength λ of the synchrotron X-rays was 1.377 Å.

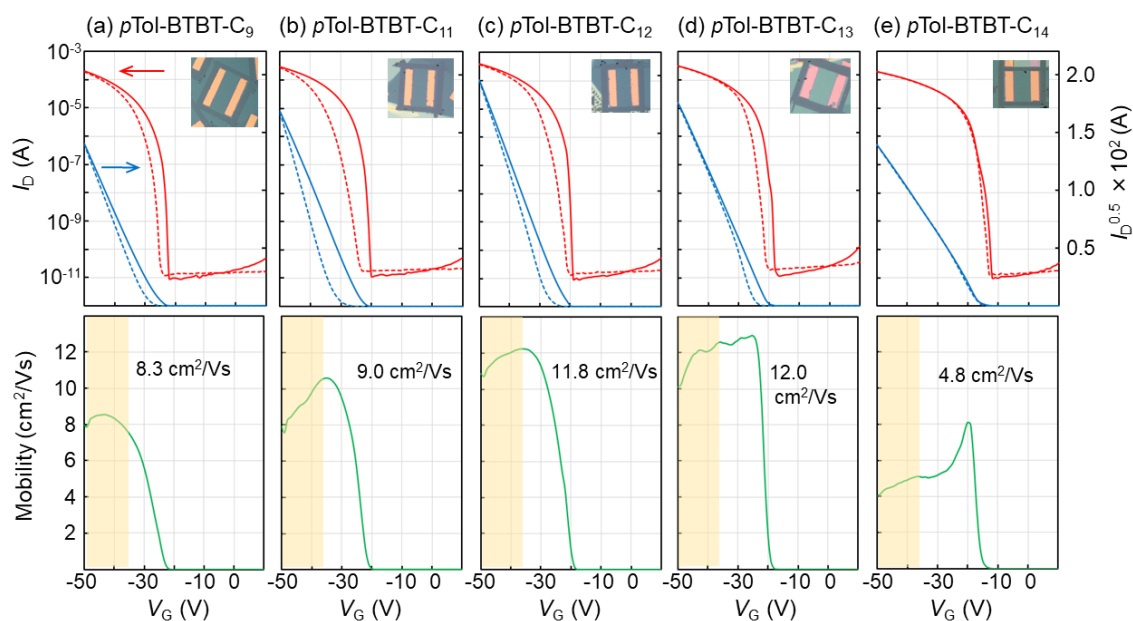


Figure S13. Typical transfer characteristics (top) and V_G -dependent mobility (bottom) of bottom-gate/top-contact (BGTC) OFETs based on (a) p Tol-BTBT-C₉, (b) p Tol-BTBT-C₁₁, (c) p Tol-BTBT-C₁₂, (d) p Tol-BTBT-C₁₃, and (e) p Tol-BTBT-C₁₄ single crystals, measured at $V_D = -50$ V. Solid and dashed curves exhibit the data at forward and backward scans, respectively. Optical microscope images of the devices are shown in the each inset of the top graph. The mobility values calculated from the average at $V_G = -35 \sim -50$ V are shown in the each inset of the bottom graph.

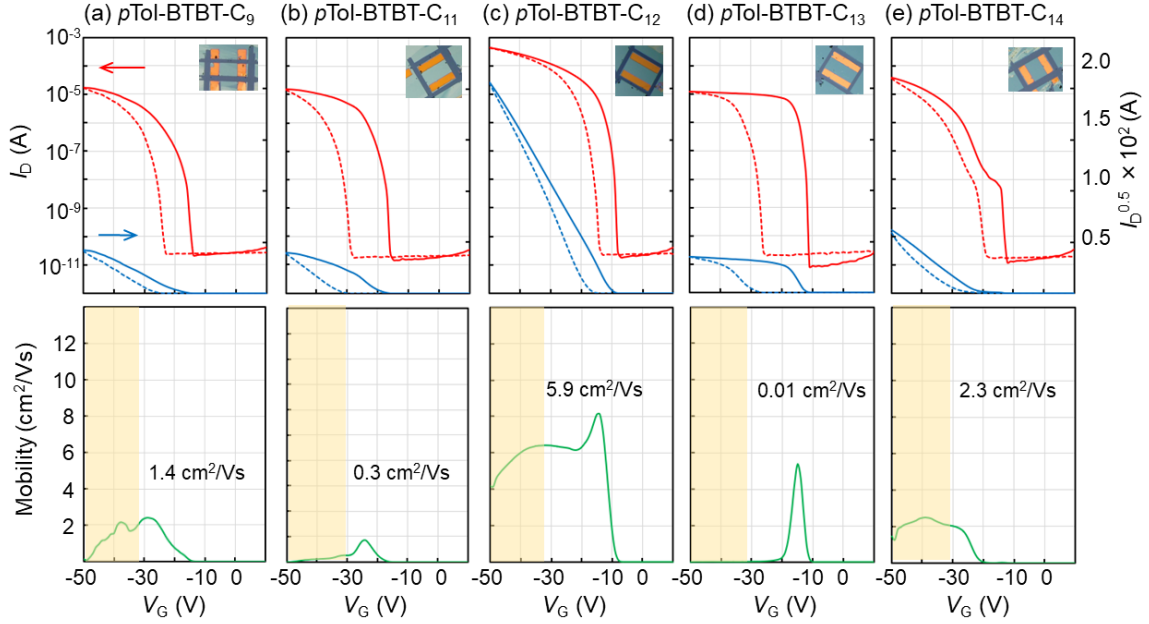


Figure S14. Typical transfer characteristics (top) and V_G -dependent mobility (bottom) of bottom-gate/bottom-contact (BGBC) OFETs based on (a) p Tol-BTBT- C_9 , (b) p Tol-BTBT- C_{11} , (c) p Tol-BTBT- C_{12} , (d) p Tol-BTBT- C_{13} , and (e) p Tol-BTBT- C_{14} single crystals, measured at $V_D = -50$ V. Solid and dashed curves exhibit the data at forward and backward scans, respectively. Optical microscope images of the devices are shown in the each inset of the top graph. The mobilities values calculated from the average at $V_G = -30 \sim -50$ V are shown in the each inset of the bottom graph.

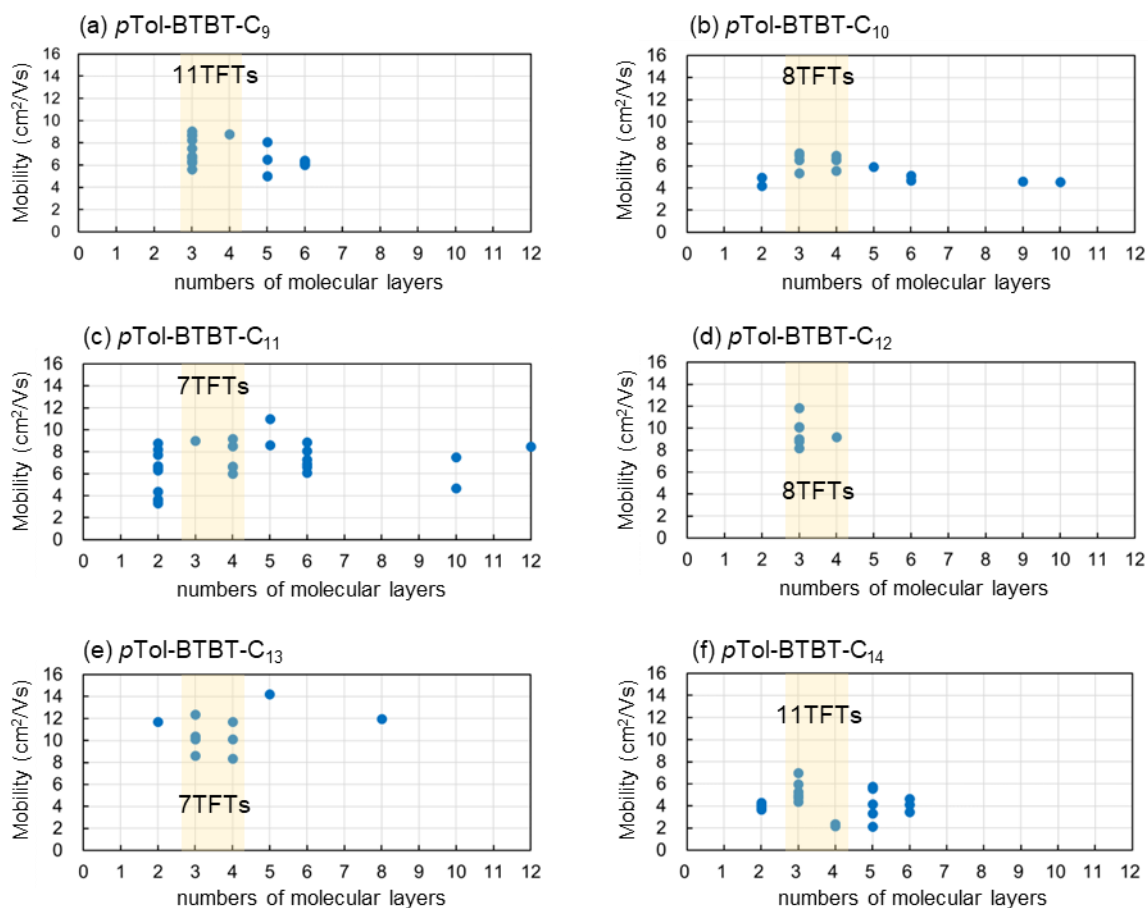


Figure S15. Values of the estimated BGTC device mobility are plotted as a function of the layer number thickness of the films. Average values at each orange area (limiting 3–4-layer thickness) are used in Figure 4c of the main manuscript.

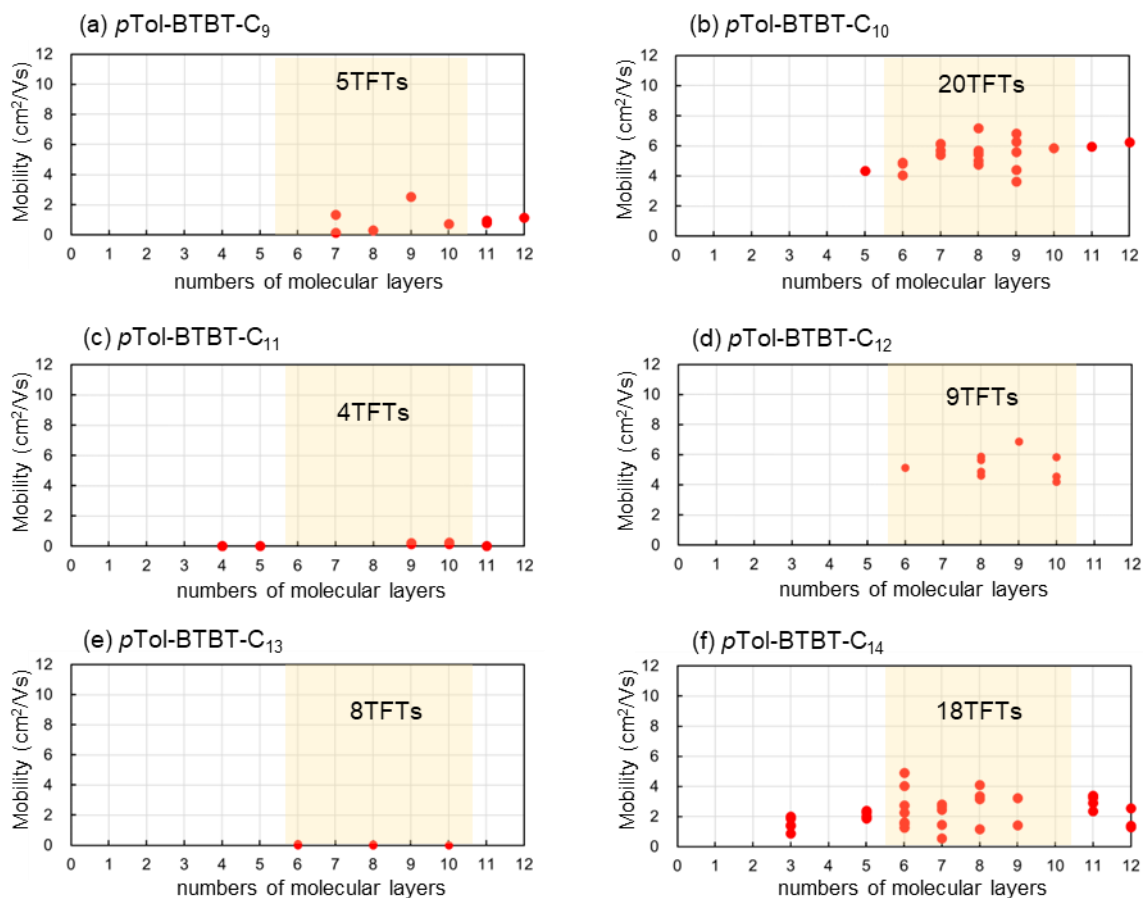


Figure S16. Values of the estimated BGBC device mobility are plotted as a function of the layer number thickness of the films. Average values at each orange area (limiting 6–10-layer thickness) are used in Figure 4c of the main manuscript.

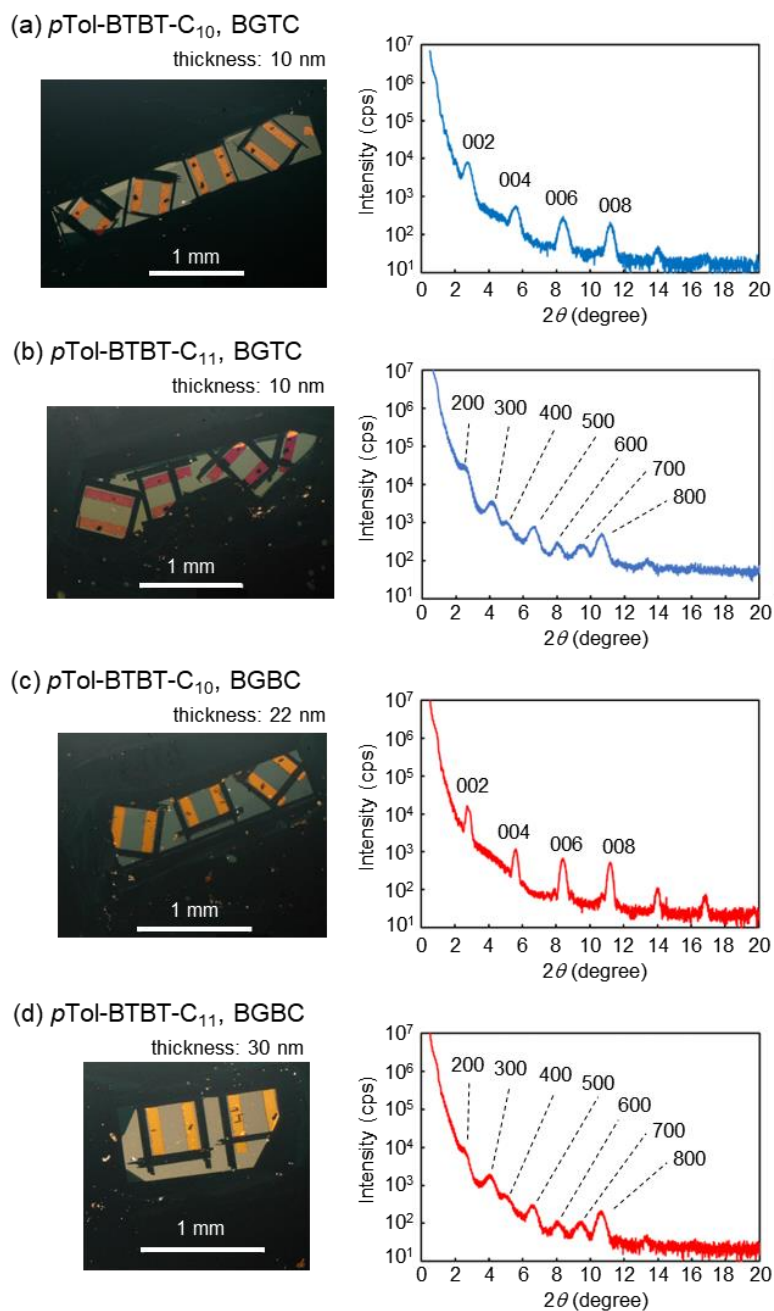


Figure S17. Out-of-plane XRD profiles of the single-crystal thin films used for (a) BGTC OFETs of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{10} , and (b) BGTC OFETs of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{11} , (c) BGBC OFETs of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{10} , and (d) BGBC OFETs of *p*Tol-BTBT- C_{11} .

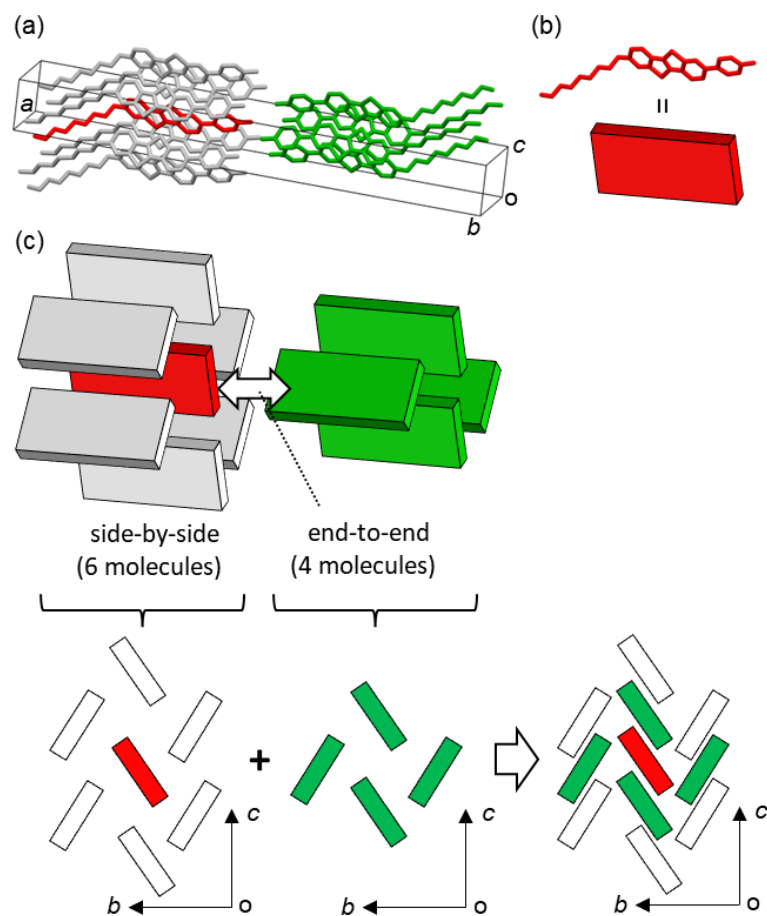


Figure S18. (a) The packing diagram of *pTol-BTBT-C9* without hydrogen atoms. (b)(c) Schematic images of the intermolecular arrangement. Respective plates represent the *pTol-BTBT-C9* molecule at the center (red), six neighboring *pTol-BTBT-C9* molecules at the side-by-side contacts within the same layer (gray), and four neighboring *pTol-BTBT-C9* molecules at the end-to-end contacts in the adjacent layer.

Table S2. Intermolecular interaction energies in *p*Tol-BTBT- C_n crystal packings.

chain length n	side-by-side interaction energy (kcal/mol)	end-to end interaction energy (kcal/mol)		
		alkyl-alkyl	tolyl-tolyl	alkyl-tolyl
9	−98.6	−2.73	−3.18	—
10	−103.3	—	—	−3.80
11	−106.3	−2.66	−3.21	-
12	−110.8	—	—	−3.89
13	−111.7	−2.94	−3.17	—
14	−118.2	—	—	−3.89

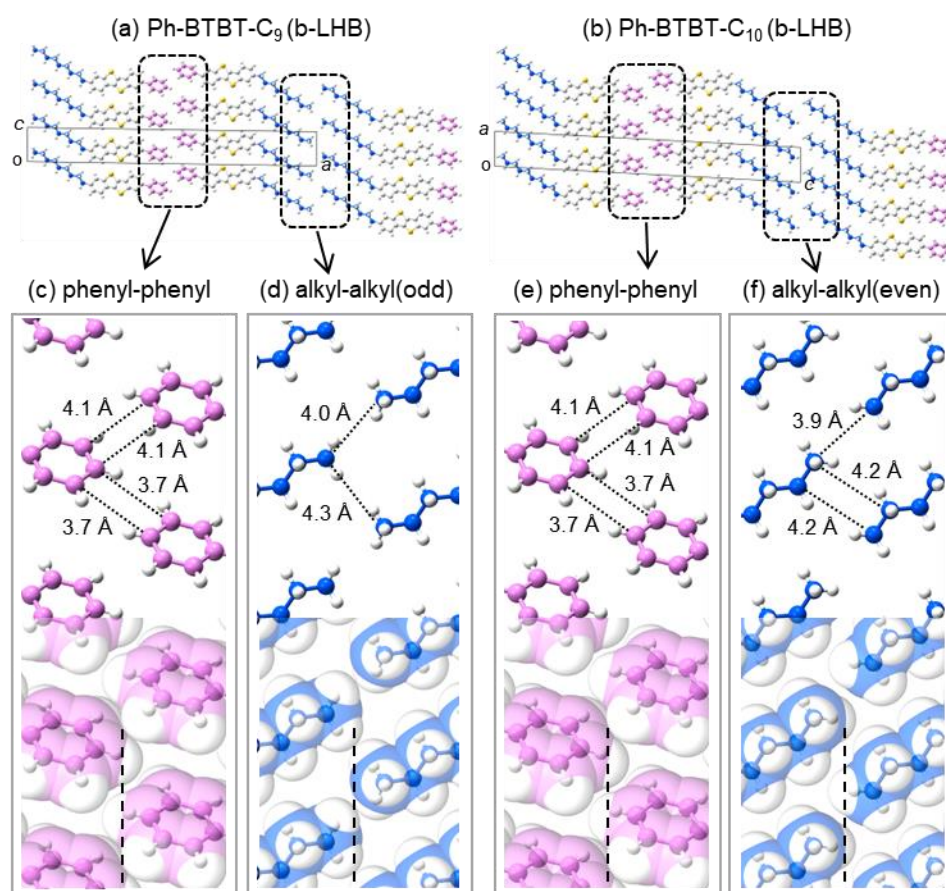


Figure S19. Packing diagrams of (a) Ph-BTBT-C₉ and (b) Ph-BTBT-C₁₀ projected along the axis parallel to the π -stacking layers, and their interlayer arrangements around (c)(e) phenyl-phenyl, (d) alkyl-alkyl (odd), and (f) alkyl-alkyl (even) groups depicted by ball-and-stick views (top) and by space-filling views (bottom). The black dotted lines in the top show the connection of the pair of the carbon atom less than 4.5 Å in each interlayer. The black dashed lines in the bottom schematically show the layer-by-layer boundary.

Table S3. Miller indices using the lattice constant.

$n = 10$	$n = 11$
$(1,1,1)$	$(0,1,1)$
$(1,\bar{1},1)$	$(0,\bar{1},1)$
$(1,1,\bar{1})$	$(0,1,\bar{1})$
$(1,\bar{1},\bar{1})$	$(0,\bar{1},\bar{1})$
$(\bar{1},1,1)$	$(3,1,\bar{1})$
$(\bar{1},\bar{1},1)$	$(3,\bar{1},\bar{1})$
$(\bar{1},1,\bar{1})$	$(\bar{3},\bar{1},1)$
$(\bar{1},\bar{1},\bar{1})$	$(\bar{3},1,\bar{1})$

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