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Correction: Dielectric constant enhancement of non-fullerene acceptors *via* side-chain modification

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Correction for 'Dielectric constant enhancement of non-fullerene acceptors *via* side-chain modification' by Jenny E. Donaghey *et al.*, *Chem. Commun.*, 2015, **51**, 14115–14118.

Since publication of the original manuscript, improved procedures and purification methods have been developed for the preparation of **M1**, **M2**, and **M3**. These improvements are described in an additional ESI document which has been added to the original manuscript. The improved procedures and purifications have also led to the following corrections in the manuscript:

(1) It was found that *n*-octyl-*p*-toluenesulfonate was better to use than 1-bromooctane in the substitution reaction to form **7**. The text should therefore read "The side-chains were introduced to 2-bromofluorene and cyclopentadithiophene (CPDT) *via* a nucleophilic substitution reaction with 1-bromo-2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethane for **M1** and **M2**, and *n*-octyl-*p*-toluenesulfonate for **M3**."

(2) A boronic acid rather than boronate ester was used in the Suzuki coupling. The text should therefore read "Functionalization of the 2-position of fluorene and CPDT with a boronic acid and tri-*n*-butylstannane, respectively, then enabled palladium catalysed couplings with 7-bromobenzothiadiazole-4-carbaldehyde."

(3) **M1** and **M2** were purified using different solvent systems. The text should therefore read "**M1** was purified by precipitation from diethyl ether/light petroleum to afford a fluorescent orange powder. **M2** was isolated as a blue powder by precipitation from a dichloromethane/light petroleum mixture and **M3** was isolated as a viscous blue oil."

(4) The thermal transitions of **M2** were found to be higher than first reported and **M3** was found to have a T_g . The text should therefore read "The same was observed for **M2** which showed two melts at 129 °C and 143 °C on the first heating cycle suggesting the presence of two different polymorphs. At high scan rates (100 °C min⁻¹) a glass transition (T_g) could be observed for both molecules on the 2nd heating cycle at 11 °C for **M1** and 19 °C for **M2** (ESI). This means that once melted, the materials remain in an amorphous glassy state at room temperature. In comparison to **K12**, functionalization with glycol chains (**M1**) clearly has the effect of lowering the T_g and hindering crystallisation that can normally be induced *via* thermal annealing.¹⁶ **M3**, which has longer alkyl chains, had a T_g at 13 °C in each heating scan."

(5) The solution UV-visible spectra were recorded in dichloromethane and the spectra of **K12** and **M1** are better described as being "essentially similar in solution and the solid-state". Similarly, the film spectra of **M2** and **M3** are similar in solution and the solid-state. The text should therefore read "The solution state absorption maxima of **M2** and **M3** are very similar. The optical gaps for **M2** and **M3** (Table 1) are identical suggesting that the introduction of glycol chains has little effect on the optical properties of the material. The solid-state absorption spectra of **M2** and **M3** are also similar." The solution and solid-state spectra can be seen in the corrected Fig. 2 and summarised in amended Table 1.

Table 1 Optical, thermal and electrochemical properties, static dielectric constants and electron mobilities of **K12**, **M1**, **M2** and **M3**

Compound	λ_{\max}^a sltn/film/nm	Optical gap/eV	$E_{1/2}^{\text{ox}}$ b/V	$E_{1/2}^{\text{red}}$ b/V	T_g /°C	ϵ_r static	μ_e /cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
K12 ^{16,17}	452/468	2.4	— ^c	−1.2	62	3.8	5.0×10^{-6}
M1	455/466	2.4	— ^c	−1.3	11	8.5	1.3×10^{-6}
M2	591/596	1.9	0.5	−1.2	19	9.8	3.0×10^{-6}
M3	611/642	1.9	0.6	−1.1	13	4.3	3.0×10^{-7}

^a In dichloromethane/spin-coated on fused silica from chloroform. ^b V vs. Fc/Fc⁺. ^c Oxidation outside solvent window.

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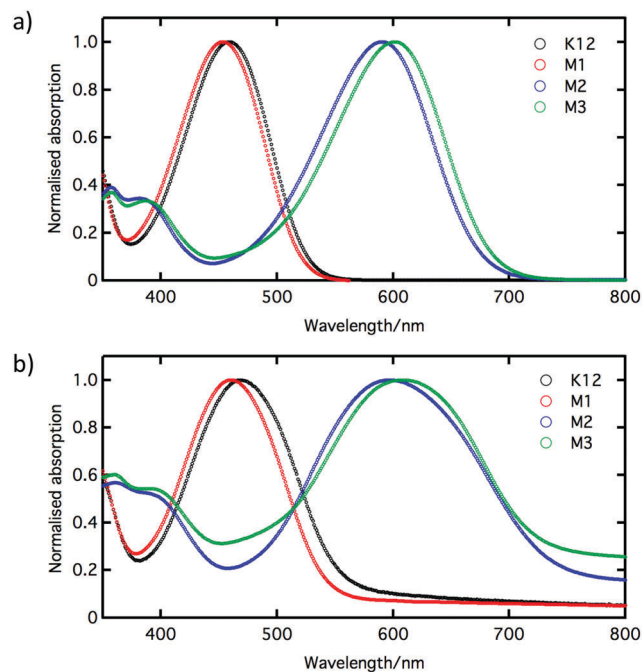


Fig. 2 Normalised UV-Vis absorption spectra of **K12**, **M1**, **M2** and **M3** in (a) dichloromethane; (b) thin film spin-coated from chloroform.

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