## Supplementary Electronic Information

# Directional Charge Carriers Transport in Oriented Benzodithiophene Covalent Organic Framework Thin Films

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### Section 1. X-ray diffraction of thin BDT-COF film



Figure S1.Left) Top view SEM image of BDT-COF thin film grown on ITO. right) XRD pattern of BDT-COF thin film on ITO. The strong and sharp reflection at  $26.1^{\circ} 2\theta$  is related to the stacked 2D COF layers, all other reflections are attributed to the ITO film.





Figure S2. UV-Vis spectra of BDT-COF on a quartz substrate.



Figure S3.Tauc plot of BDT-COF grown on a quartz substrate.



Figure S4. PESA spectra of BDT-COF grown on a quartz substrate.

#### Section 3. Cross-section SEM of HODs



Figure S5. Cross section SEMs of HODs with different thickness: left) 120 nm, right) 150 nm (Evident layers layout of the HODs: ITO/COF/gold)

#### Section 4: Mobility data

Device	$\mu_{\rm h}$ (cm <sup>2</sup> V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
1	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$
2	$4.4 \cdot 10^{-7}$
3	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-7}$
4	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$
Average	$3 \cdot 10^{-7}$

Table S1. Calculated hole mobility for 80-100 nm thick sample in the dark

Table S2. Calculated hole mobility for 120-150 nm thick sample in the dark

Device	μ <sub>h</sub> (cm² V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
1	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$
2	$1.2\cdot 10^{-8}$
Average	$1 \cdot 10^{-8}$

Table S3. Calculated hole mobility for 190-210 nm thick sample in the dark

Device	$\mu_{\rm h}$ (cm <sup>2</sup> V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
1	$5.9 \cdot 10^{-9}$
2	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-9}$
3	$5.1 \cdot 10^{-9}$
Average	5 · 10 <sup>-9</sup>

Table S4. Calculated hole mobility for 190-210 nm thick sample in the light
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μ <sub>h</sub> (cm² V⁻¹ s⁻¹)	
5.8 · 10 <sup>-8</sup>	
$1.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	
$1.7 \cdot 10^{-8}$	
3 · 10 <sup>-8</sup>	



Figure S6. Current density as a function of voltage (*J-V*) of a single hole-only device containing BDT-COF layers measured three consecutive times under ambient conditions.

#### Section 5. In-plane Conductivity



Figure S7. Photocurrent obtained for oriented BDT-COF films on interdigitated Au electrodes as a function of applied voltage. The red line shows a linear fit through the data points.

# Section 6. MD simulations



Figure S8. Side view of equilibrated BDT-COF unit cell after a 1 ns MD run, showing the slight waving of individual layers.