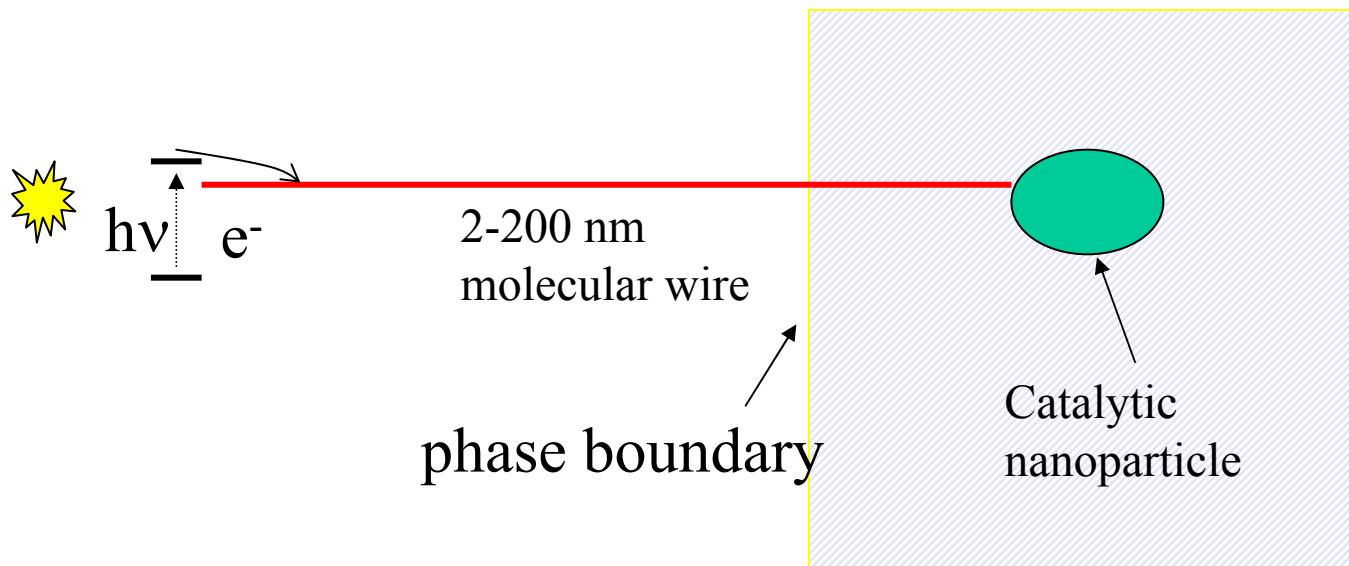
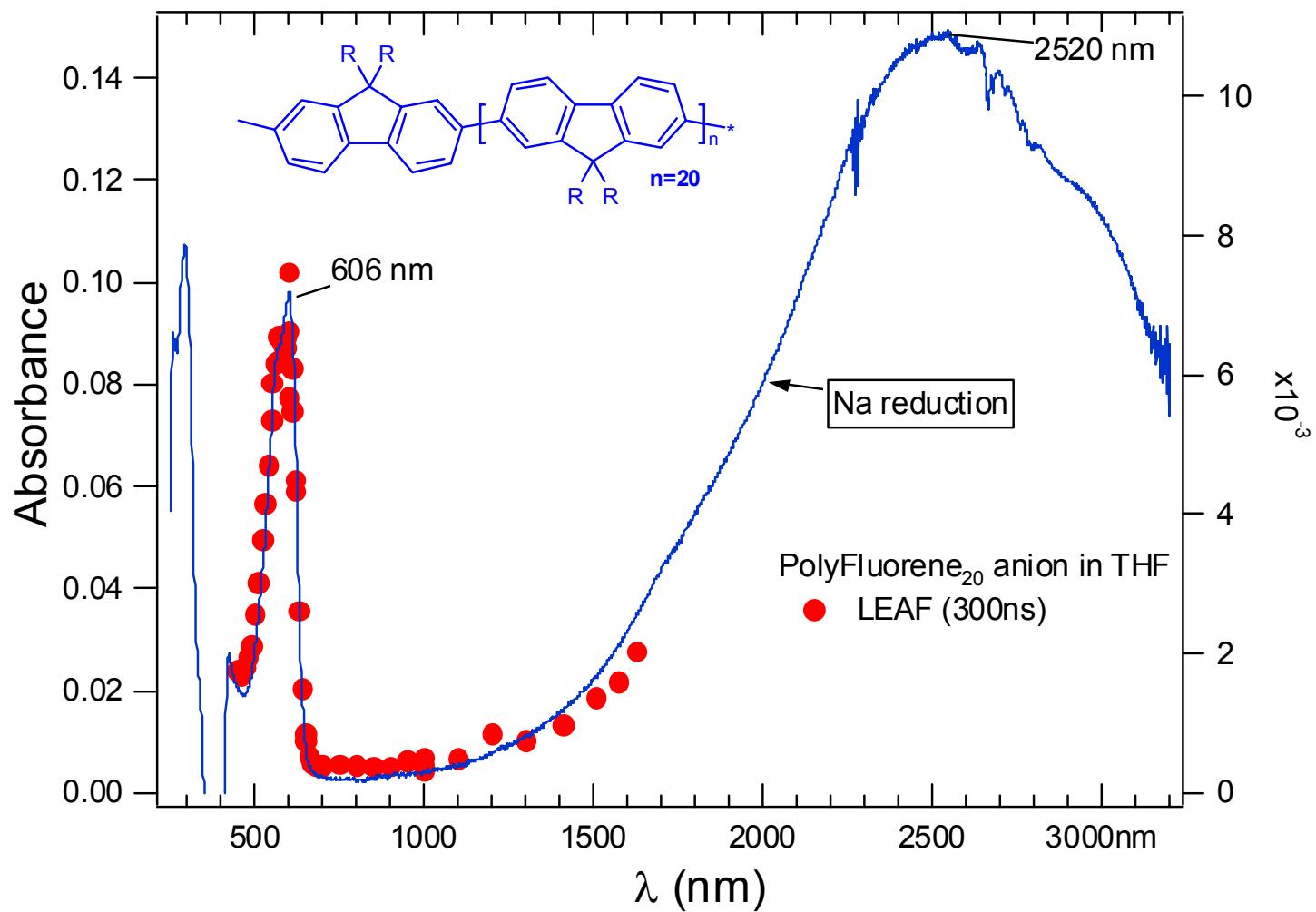


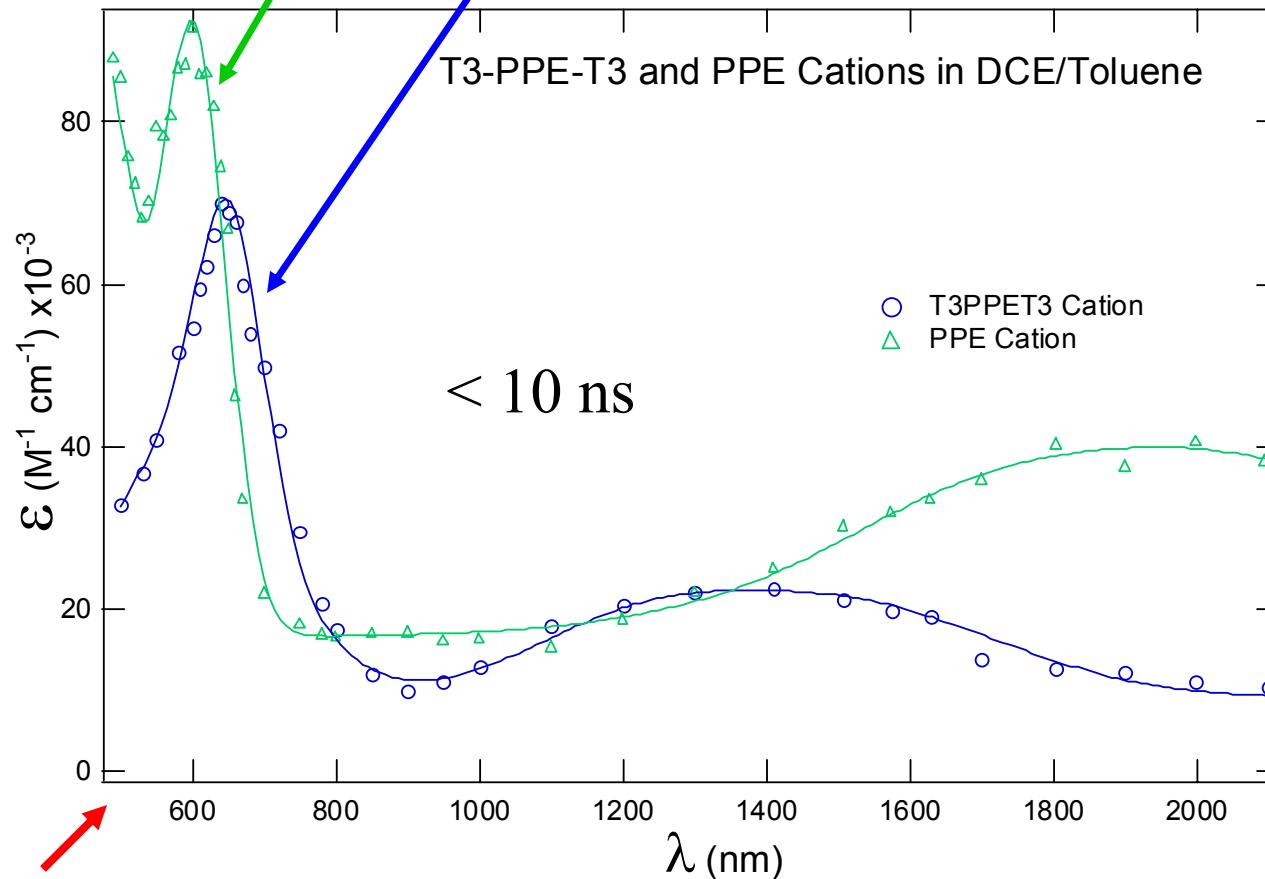
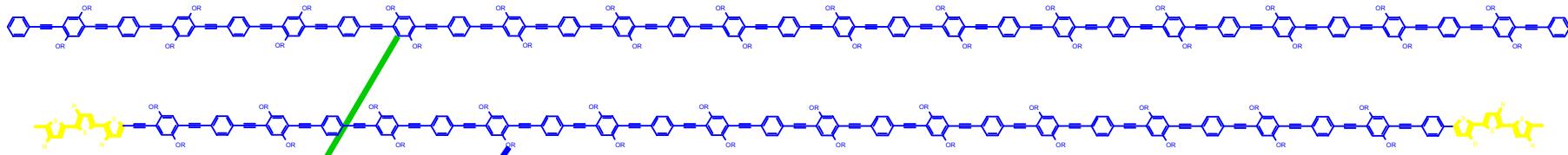
# Fast Pulse Experiments on Molecular Processes in Organic Ions

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Energy Capture and Storage Using Nano Objects







- The spectrum of the  $T_3$  end-capped polymer is red-shifted relative to that of the parent
- The PPE cation radical is trapped by the  $T_3$  end-groups in  $< 10$  ns !

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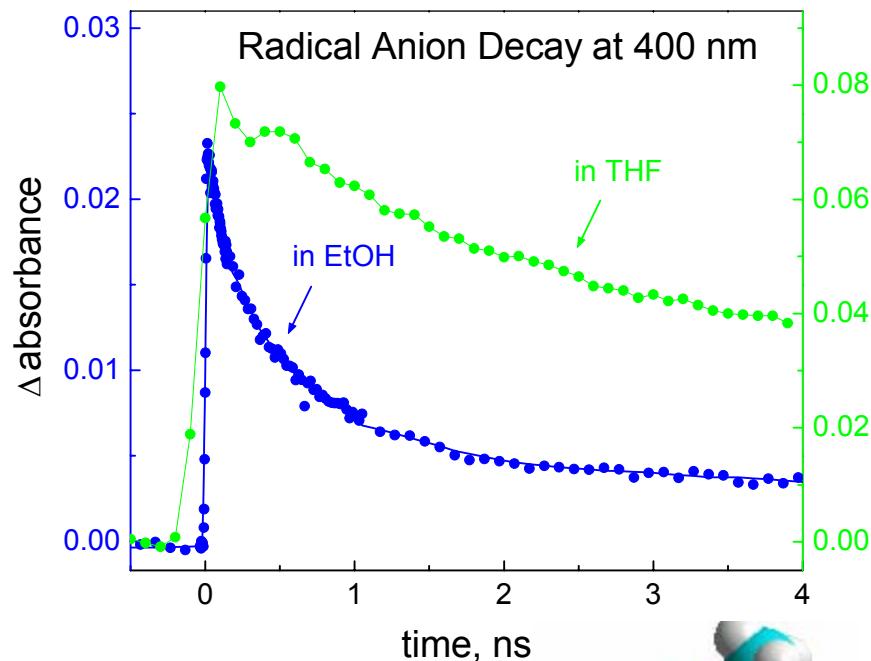
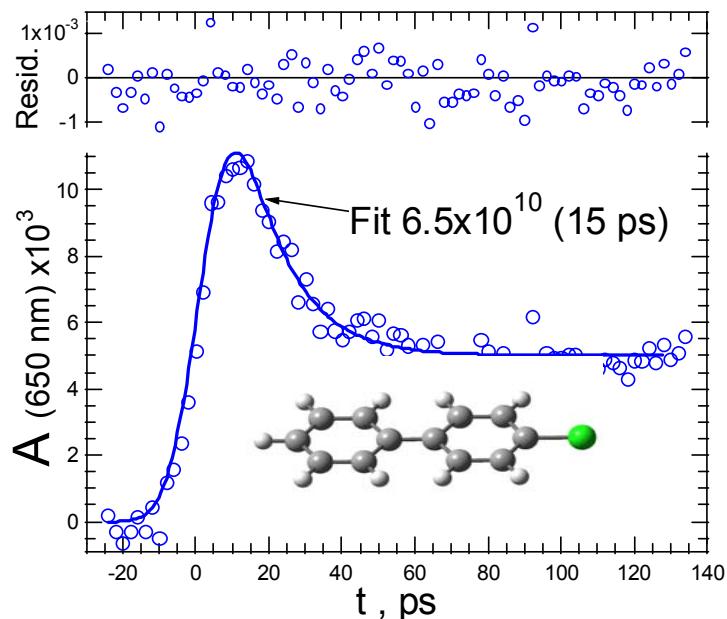
## Fast and Efficient Transport of:

### Transient absorption or emission

Singlet Excited States	Lasers or other photon sources
Triplet Excited States	Lasers or accelerators, Alison's slow triplets
Electrons	$e^-$ in polysilane $k > (10 \text{ ns})^{-1}$ (Osaka; Tagawa, Seki )
Holes	$h^+$ in PPE $k > (10 \text{ ns})^{-1}$ BNL Funston et al.

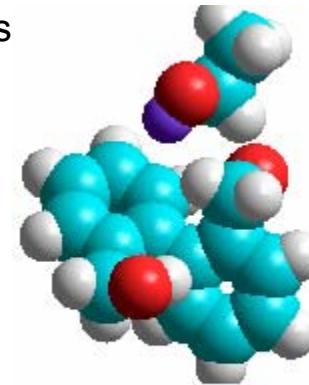
Transient  $\mu$ -wave conductivity (Delft; Warman, Siebeles, DeHass, polysilanes, phenylenevinylenes, fluorenes....  
Mobilities often more than  $10^3$  larger within single strands

# Fast Breaking and Making of Chemical Bonds



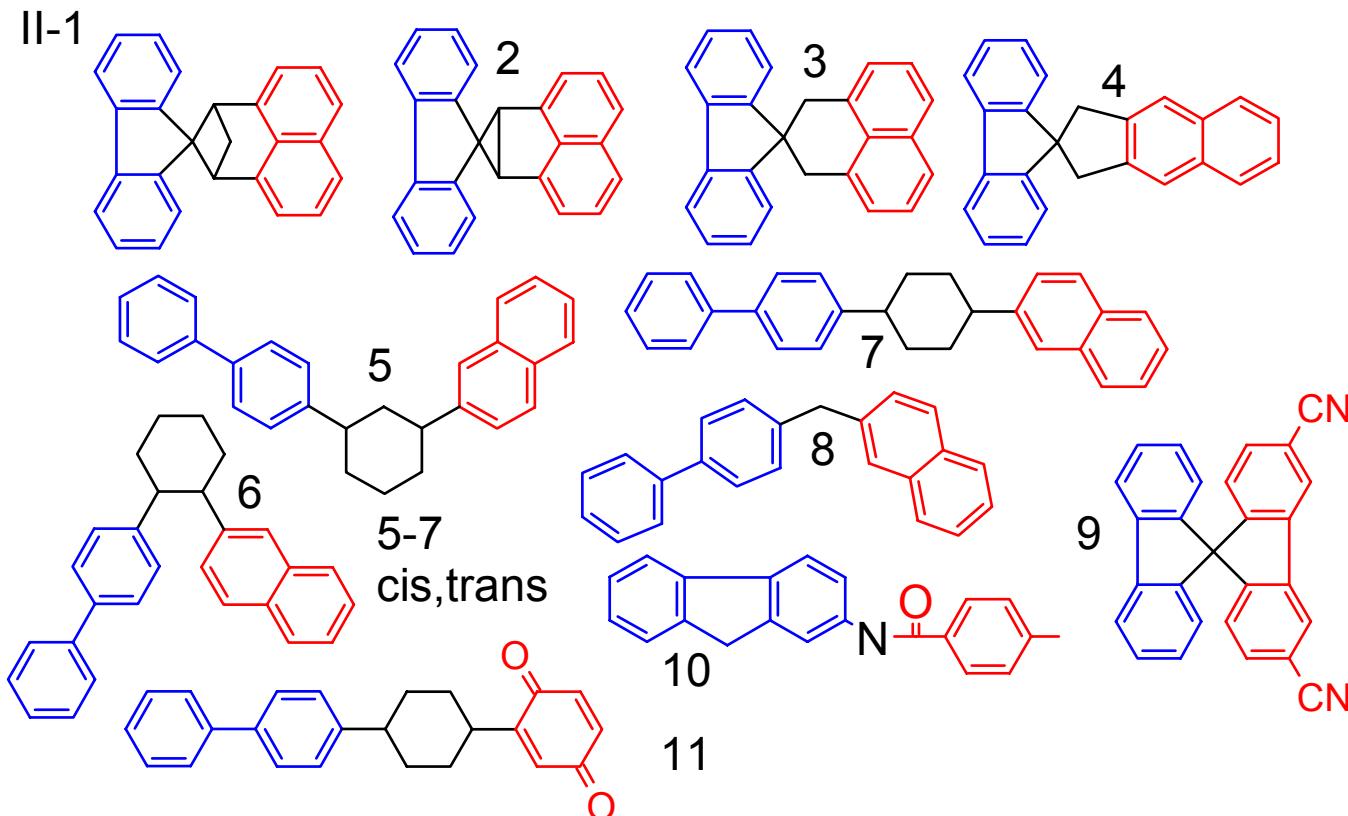
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# Measure Fast Electron Transfer Rates in Bifunctional Molecules

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Most of these are weakly exoergic  $\Delta G^\circ = \sim 50$  mV yet very fast

# Capturing Photon Energy With Materials Containing Long, Connected Strands, Fast Bond Breaking and Making, Fast ET

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Needs:

- Better understanding of fast radiation chemistry. We know radiation chemistry in water well; not yet as well in organic media. Species and reactions, dry electron and hole capture.
- Faster transient absorption measurements in pulse radiolysis. BNL, AC PPP Sub ps plans at Osaka, Tokai and ANL
- Transient absorption further into infrared, faster time resolution.
- Additional probes— terahertz spectroscopy (begun in Delft)
- Relation of theory, optical absorption and transport measurements
- Always- better signal/noise ratios, more rapid data acquisition

# •Whodunnit?

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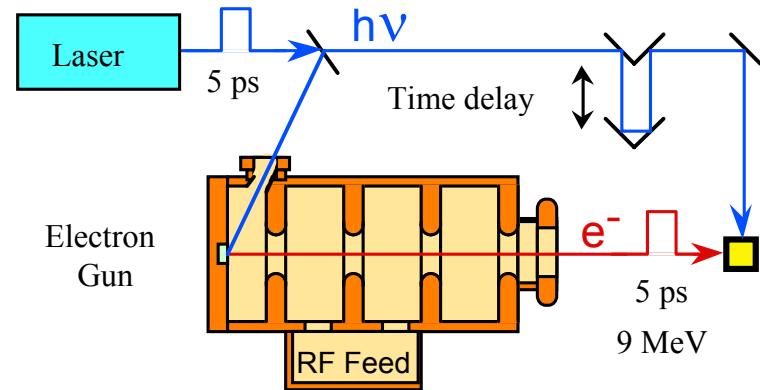
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