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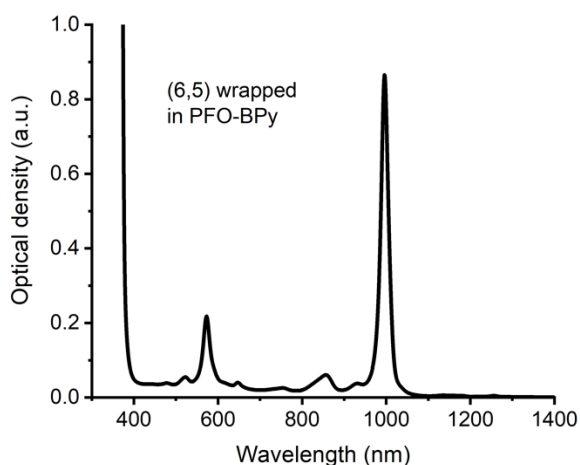


Figure S1. PFO-BPy wrapped (6,5) in toluene using a shear force mixing approach and the CoMoCAT raw soot. The method in ref^[1] is used to estimate the concentration and a 4 mm path length cuvette.

In our experiments, 41 mg of CoMoCAT raw soot (~ €750/g) is added to 110 mL of toluene (~ €45/L) with 55 mg of poly[(9,9-dioctylfluorenyl-2,7-diyl)-alt-co-(6,6'-(2-2'-bipyridine))] (PFO-BPy) (~ €670/g) and shear force mixed or sonicated to produce a suspension which is centrifuged to produce ~1 – 2 mg of (6,5). Neglecting the additional mass associated with the polymer this places the price of (6,5) from polymer extraction in the laboratory at roughly €36,000 – 73,000/g.

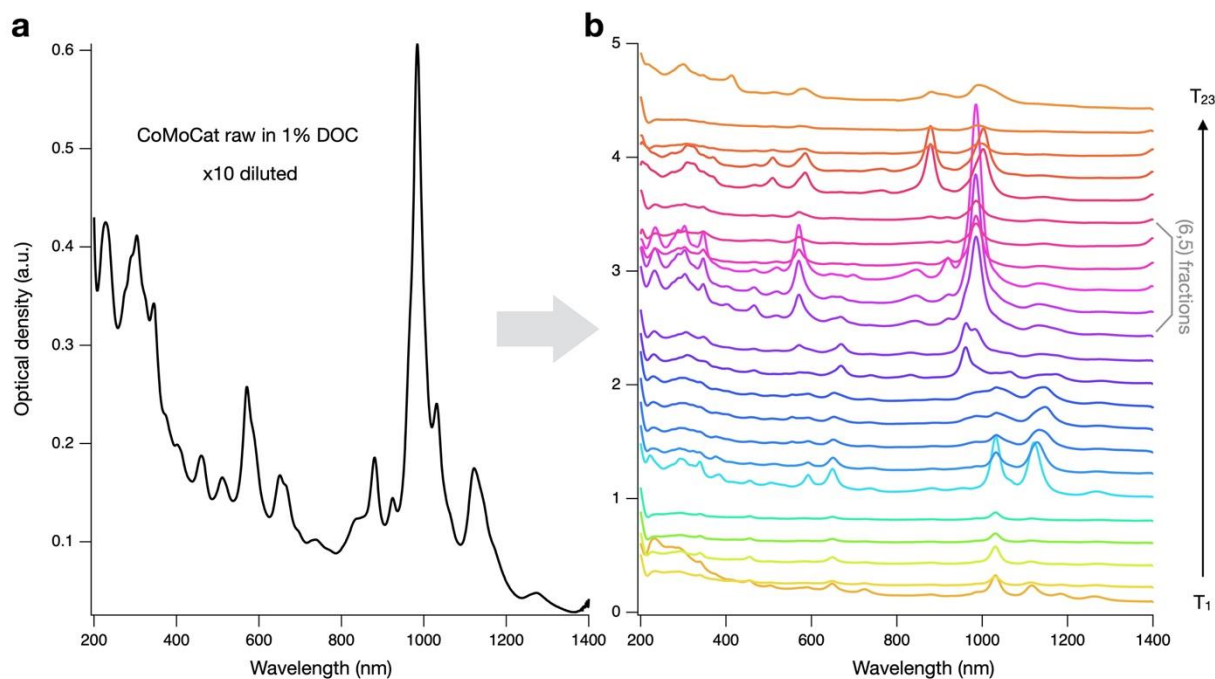


Figure S2. (a) CoMoCat raw suspension as the parent material for ATPE sorting. (b) All the top phases from T_1 to T_{23} by ATPE. T_{13} , T_{14} , T_{15} , T_{16} , T_{17} and T_{18} are (6,5) enriched fractions. The method in ref^[1] is used to estimate the concentration and a 2 mm pathlength cuvette.

In our research laboratory, a practical limit of 300 mL with a CNT concentration of ~ 1 mg/mL and is defined by a centrifuge rotor capable of supporting six 50 mL falcon tubes, each of which initially contain $\sim 5 - 10$ mg of SWCNTs. The current batch size is thus $\sim 30 - 60$ mg of raw CNT soot, which is very close to mass processed by polymer extraction and allows for an easy comparison. In our ATPE approach, 30 – 60 mg of CoMoCAT soot is dispersed in 120 mL of water with 2 % DOC ($\sim \text{€}0.7/\text{g}$) and a 3-step process,^[2] requiring a total of 180 mL 20 % m/v Dextran ($\sim \text{€}1.2/\text{g}$) and 200 mL 25 % m/v PEG ($\sim \text{€}0.05/\text{g}$), 6 g SDS ($\sim \text{€}0.5/\text{g}$) and 3 g SC ($\sim \text{€}1.25/\text{g}$), is used to obtain 6 – 12 mg of (6,5). The cost for (6,5) from ATPE is therefore $\sim \text{€}8,300 - 13,000/\text{g}$.

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