

分子配向を制御した直交型ポルフィリン・イミドの単分子整流特性

Single Molecule Rectifying Property of Perpendicularly Connected

Porphyrin-Imide with Controlled Molecular Orientation

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In previous research, perpendicularly connected porphyrin-imide molecule was proposed^[1] and has been confirmed to possess high single molecular rectification performance. However, the rectifying direction remained unknown because it was unable to control the orientation of molecule **1** (Figure 1) during mechanically controllable break junction measurement due to the symmetrical anchoring groups.

To research the rectifying direction of perpendicularly connected porphyrin-imide, we synthesized the molecule **2** (Figure 1) with thiol group on imide side as anchoring group, and use the porphyrin ring as another anchoring group.^[2] These two asymmetrical anchoring groups allow us to coat the molecule on gold substrate with controlled orientation by taking advantage of the strong interaction between thiol and gold. A Molecular Imaging Scanning Tunneling Microscope (STM) was set up with a Nanonis STM Controller and controlled by a home-made LabView controlling program to detect molecular junction without disturbing the orientation of molecules on gold substrate (Figure 2).^[3] Therefore, *I-V* curve of the molecule can be measured with controlled orientation to determine the rectifying direction of **2**. In this presentation, the setting up of the STM system will be introduced and the result of *I-V* measurement of porphyrin-imide molecule will be discussed.

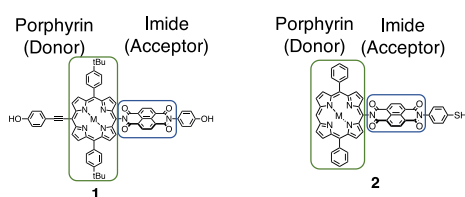


Figure 2 Perpendicularly connected porphyrin-imide.

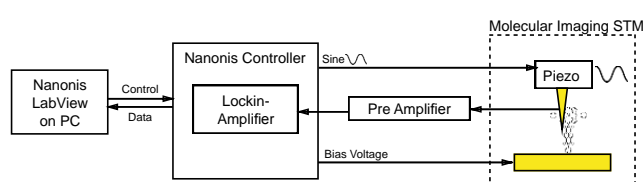


Figure 2 Set-up scheme of STM for detecting molecular junction.

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