

Abstract

Conjugated polymers have garnered significant attention in recent years due to their delocalization of electrons that results in semi-conducting or conducting properties, making them valuable materials that have diverse range of applications in electronics, optoelectronics, high efficiency polymer solar cells and energy storage devices. Among these, Benzotriazole based conjugated polymers have emerged as most promising due to the electron rich nature, extended conjugation and low energy band-gap of Benzotriazole. The incorporation of Benzotriazole into the polymer backbone allows for the formation of conjugated system that results in polymers showing electrical conductivity, light absorption and fluorescence. BTA was synthesized by using o-phenylenediamine as a starting reagent. Alkyl group on C-2 of BTA increases the solubility of polymers. The synthetic process involves the design and fabrication of the conjugated polymers 2-octyl-4,7-di (thiophen-2-yl) Benzotriazole and 2-octyl-4,7-di (5-bromo-thiophen-2-yl) through various facile and economic synthetic routes i.e., Suzuki-Miyara coupling and Stille coupling. The impact of molecular structure, side-chain modifications, purity and characterization were examined by FTIR, GC-MS, PL analysis and UV-visible spectroscopy.