The Role of Aromatic Structural Units of Conjugated Copolymers in Reaching High Solid-State Order and Optoelectronic Performances

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