Hydrogen bonding propagated phase separation in quasiepitaxial single crystals: a Pd-Br molecular insulator

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Table S1. Crystal data of 1.

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Temperature / K	93
formula	C ₁₀ H ₂₄ Br ₃ N ₄ Pd
crystal system	Orthorhombic
space group	<i>I</i> 222
a/Ă	5.2223(4)
b / $\check{ m A}$	6.9660(5)
c / $\check{\mathbf{A}}$	22.6349(17)
$V/ ext{Å}^3$	823.42(11)
Z	2
$R_1 (I > 2\sigma(I))$	1.74%
$wR_2(I > 2\sigma(I))$	3.85%
Flack paramèter	0.05(3)

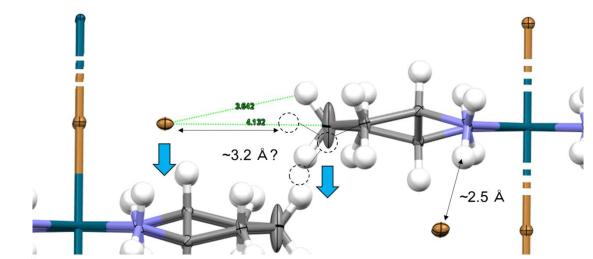


Figure S1. Crystal structure of **1** at 93 K. C–H···Br···H–C hydrogen bonding.

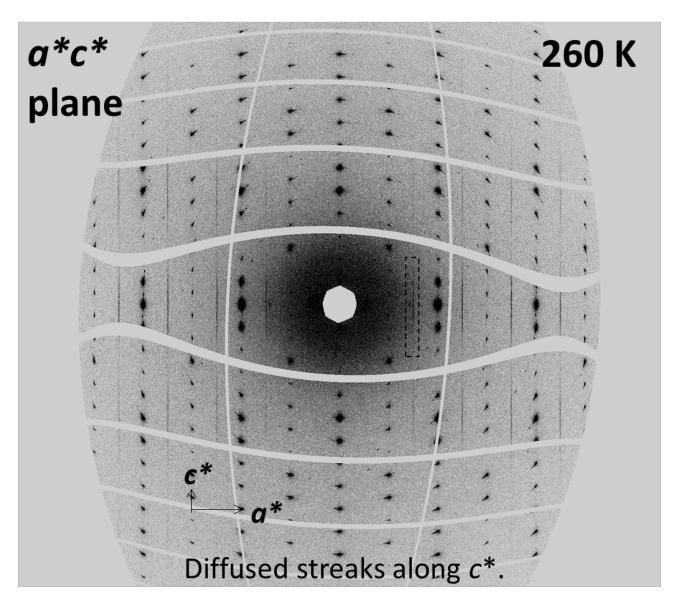


Figure S2. Reconstructed diffraction image and Diffused streaks of 1 along c^* at 260 K.

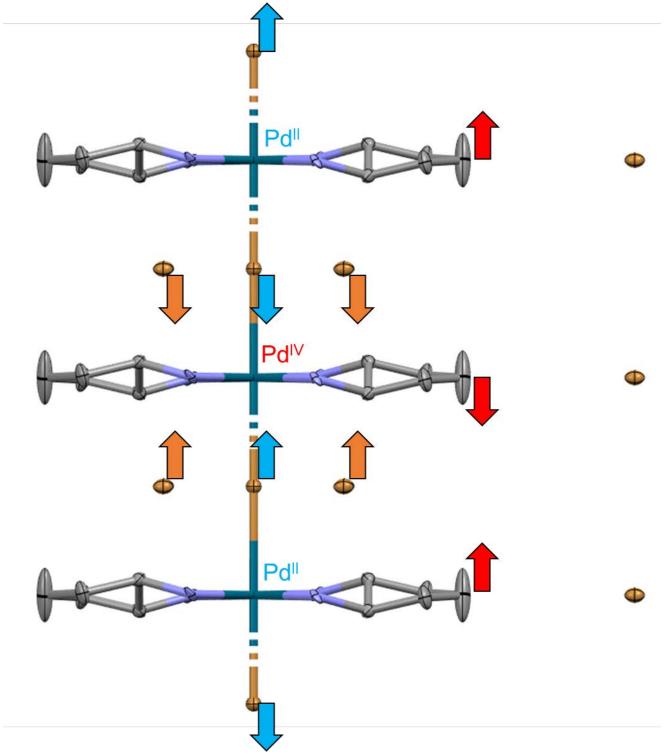


Figure S3. Crystal structure of **1** in the CDW state (RT).

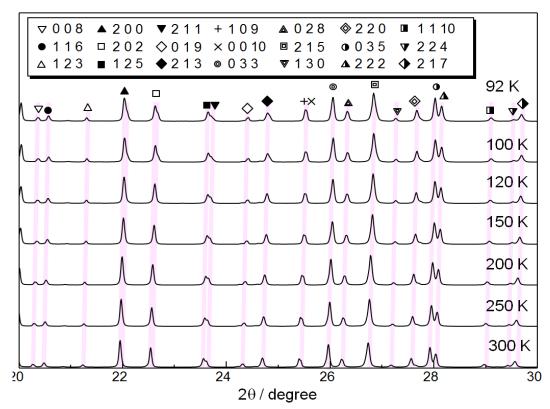


Figure S4. Synchrotron powder X-ray diffraction pattern (PXRD) of 1 at various temperatures.

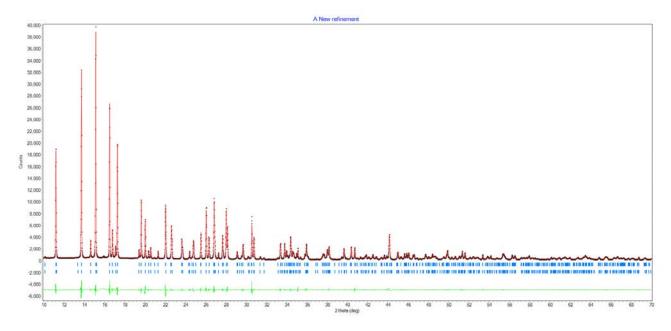
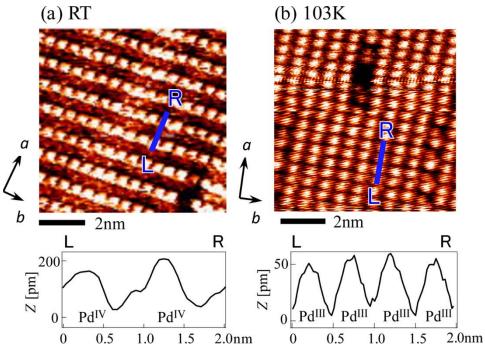
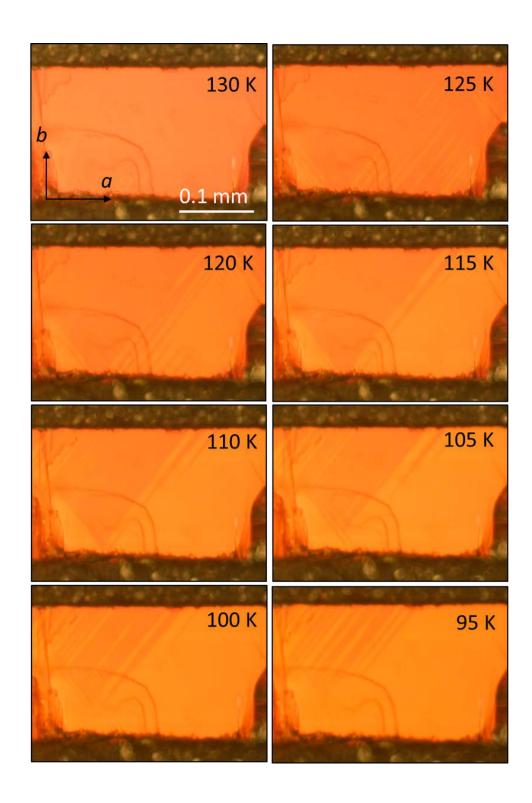


Figure S5. The results of two-phase Le Bail fitting for synchrotron powder X-ray diffraction pattern of **1** at 92 K.



0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0nm 0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0nm **Figure S6.** STM images of **1** at (a) RT (CDW) (b) 103 K (MH). *Copyright* (2016) The Japan Society of Applied Physics.



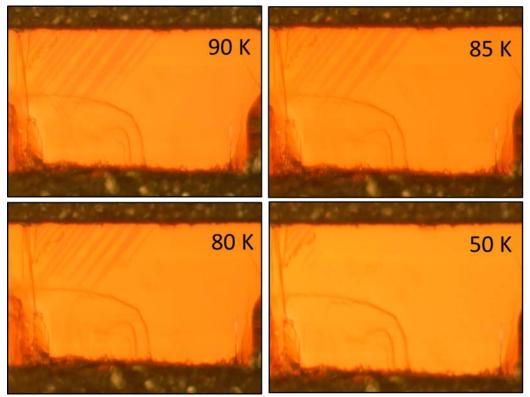


Figure S7. Images of a single crystal of 1 at various temperatures.

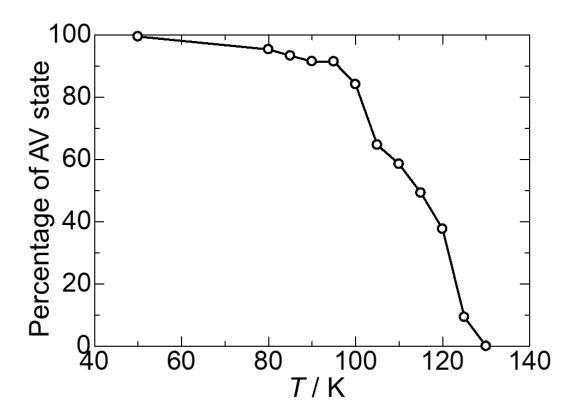


Figure S8. Ratio of the AV-MH state of 1 at various temperatures.

To check the population of the domain inside of crystal, we studied the diffraction partterns, including diffuse scattering of exactly same crystal of movie 2, 3 (135 K), integrated equivalence diffraction and diffuse scattering (integrate as spot), averaged intensity of Bragg diffraction (I_B), and diffuse scattering (I_D) and calculated I_D/I_B value to ignore scaling on each crystal position. (When we integrated by (2a, b, c) unitcell (superlattice), (h = odd, k, l) is correspond to Bragg spots (i_B), whereas (h = even, k, l) is correspond to diffuse scattering (i_D). $I = (\sum i_n)/n$). As the results, top: (I_D , I_B , I_D/I_B) = (16.6, 9465, 0.18); bottom: (I_D , I_B , I_D/I_B) = (4.15, 3397, 0.12) at RT. However, top: (I_D , I_B , I_D/I_B) = (0.40, 5866, 0.007); bottom: (I_D , I_B , I_D/I_B) = (5.3, 5801, 0.09) at 100 K. At RT, I_D/I_B values were slimier to each position because the crytal only had a CDW domain. In contrast, at 100 K, decrease in the I_D/I_B value at the top (96% off) was much larger than that at the bottom (25% off). These results indicate that domain (not only surface but also the interior) at the top is mainly in an MH state, whereas the bottom is still in a CDW state. The result is consistent with the results of movie. Therefore, the possibility of phase separation along the c axis can be excluded.

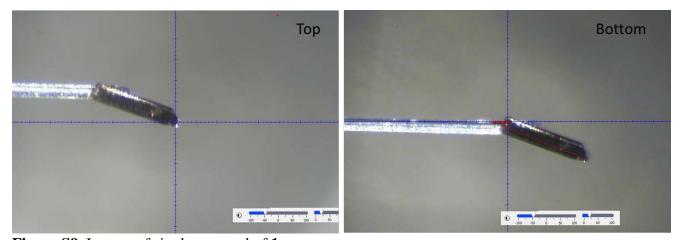
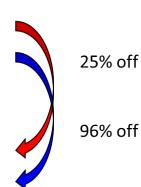


Figure S9. Images of single a crystal of 1.

Table S2. Integrate equivalence diffraction and diffuse scattering.

RT	super aver. (s)	Bragg AVER. (B)	s/B	
bottom	4.159048	3397.075	0.12%	
top	16.57745	9465.981	0.18%	
100 K	super aver. (s)	Bragg AVER. (B)	s/B	
bottom	5.366667	5801.942	0.09%	4
top	0.400	5866.437	0.007%	4



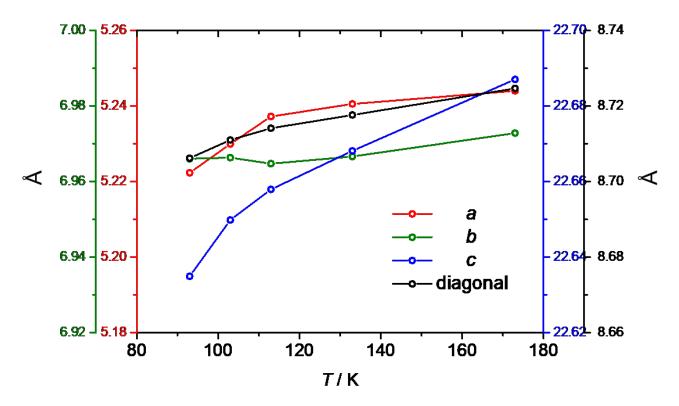


Figure S10. Unit cell parameters for **1** at various temperatures (diagonal = $(a^2 + b^2)^{1/2}$).

Equations S1

100 μ m / (a = ~5 Å or b = ~7 Å) = 2.0×10^4 units or 2.0×10^4 units.

10 μ m / (c= ~22 Å) = 4.5 ×10³ units.

 $|\Delta a|\times 2.0\times 10^4~\text{units}=0.24~\mu\text{m},~|\Delta b|\times 2.0\times 10^4~\text{units}=0.14~\mu\text{m},~|\Delta c|\times 4.5\times 10^3~\text{units}=7.2~\text{nm}$

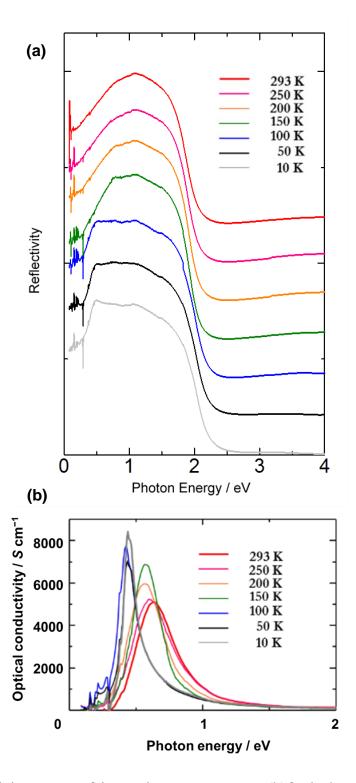


Figure S11. (a)Reflectivity spectra of $\bf 1$ at various temperatures. (b)Optical conductivity which calculated by reflectivity spectra of $\bf 1$ at various temperatures.

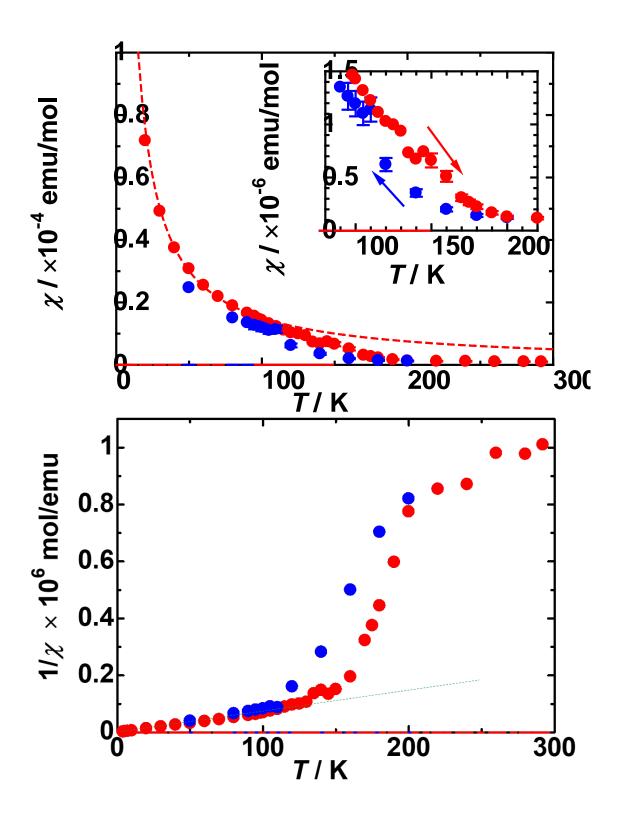


Figure S12. (a) χ vs. T plots for **1**. (b) $1/\chi$ vs. T plots for **1**. Green broken line are Curie curves with spin concentration of 0.36%. The electron spin resonance spectra were measured at X-band in the range of 2700–3800 G.