Magnetoresistance Study of Organic Conductor HMTSF-TCNQ

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We have studied field- and angular dependence of magnetoresistance of the organic conductor, HMTSF-TCNQ under high pressure. HMTSF-TCNQ is a charge transfer salt with charge transfer ratio of 0.74. HMTSF donor molecules and TCNQ acceptor molecules in a crystal aligns to construct a sheet in such a way that the HMTSF stacks surround the TCNQ stacks like a checkerboard. The proposed Fermi surface consists of a pair $(+k_F \text{ and } -k_F)$ of 1-dimensional sheets of electrons and another pair of holes, in the similar way as TTF-TCNQ. High quality single crystals were found to be indispensable to study magnetoresistance in a reproducible manner. [1-6] Field dependent magnetoresistance above 1.47 GPa when the magnetic field is aligned parallel to the least conducting c* axis of the sample is reminiscent of the magnetoresistance observed in the organic Dirac material, α -(BEDT-TTF)₂I₃, in which the magnetoresistance increases at low field, but is soon followed with a broad region of negative magnetoresistance and finally increases again. [7] Angular magnetoresistance for a magnetic field rotating in the crystallographic bc-plane is also reminiscent of what was observed in α -(BEDT-TTF), I₃, but becomes significantly different when the rotation plane of magnetic field departs away from the *bc*-plane. Resemblance of magnetoresistance data to those of α -(BEDT-TTF)₂I₃ suggests a possible appearance of linear dispersion in the title compound above 1.47 GPa. In fact, a recent first-principles calculation and tight-binding analysis showed that HMTSF-TCNQ can be a new candidate material for the nodal-line semimetal, [8] similarly to the single-component molecular conductor [Pt(dmdt)2]. [9-10] It also showed that the CDW occurring below 30 K deforms open nodal lines into closed ones.

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