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The hole-doped organic superconductor kappa-(ET)₄Hg₃-dBr₈ (k-HgBr), where d=11% and ET=bis(ethylenedithio)tetrathiafulvalene, has been the key to bridge the knowledge gap between half-filled organics and doped cuprate systems. Nonetheless, the isotropic triangular lattice of ET dimers of k-HgBr, organics, unlike the square lattice in cuprates, is suspectedly responsible for its provides extensive geometrically control through nearest, t , and next-nearest, t' , transfer integrals between sites. In k-HgBr the temperature dependence of susceptibility which is well scaled with the organic spin liquid insulator k-(ET)₂Cu(CN)₃. follows isotropic triangular lattice model $t \sim t'$, i. e., candidate of a doped Mott quantum spin liquid. However, both k-HgBr and cuprate superconductors have a wide region at high-temperature and high-pressure corresponding to a strange metallic state where resistivity exhibits a linear temperature dependence which is a non-Fermi-liquid (FL) behavior. In k-HgBr this non-FL region gradually changed to FL state by pressure [1] like the change of metallic state from optimal to overdoped cuprates. The ¹³C-NMR and heat capacity study suggested that the enhanced antiferromagnetic fluctuations towards low-temperature originates the non-FL k-HgBr [2]. This evidence may locate superconducting k-HgBr nearby quantum critical point (QCP) in between FL and localized states, where in its non-FL state the incoherent conductivity was observed [1,3]. Our zero-field muSR experiment showed the relaxation rate from temperature around 10 K down to 0.3 K is temperature-independent. This is a high possibility of the superconducting state that preserved time-reversal symmetry [4]. Furthermore, we will present the result of temperature dependence of penetration depth from transverse field muSR measurement, showing a peculiar estimation of strong coupling superconductivity with small superfluid density. We discuss the comparison with other organic superconductors which showed a typical and a deviation from traditional d-wave symmetry [5].

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