

Supporting Information

Tetraarylcyclobutadienecyclopentadienylcobalt Complexes: Synthesis, Electronic Spectra, Magnetic Circular Dichroism, Linear Dichroism and TD DFT Calculations

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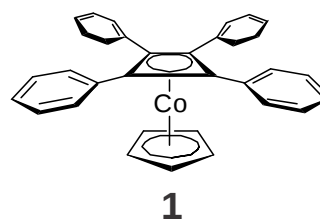
Measurements. Melting points were determined with a Laboratory Devices MEL-TEMP II apparatus and are uncorrected. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were acquired with Varian VXR 300S, Varian Unity Inova 400 or Varian Unity Inova 500 spectrometers and referenced to residual ^1H and ^{13}C present in the deuterated solvents. All NMR spectra were recorded at room temperature. IR spectra were recorded with Nicolet Avatar 320 FT-IR or Nicolet Nexus 670 FT-IR spectrometers. GC-MS spectra were measured with an HP GC/MS 5988A instrument with a fused silica capillary column (cross-linked 5% phenylmethylsilicone). Electron impact (EI) mass spectra were recorded on a Kratos MS-25 Mass Spectrometer and chemical ionization (CI) mass spectra were recorded on an API QSTAR Pulsar Mass Spectrometer. Fast-atom bombardment (FAB) mass spectra measurements were conducted with a Fisons Instruments VG autospec instrument. ESI spectra were acquired with a Hewlett-Packard 59987A Electrospray instrument connected to a HP 5989B Mass Spectrometer, a VG 7070 EQ-HF Hybrid Tandem Mass spectrometer or a API QSTAR Pulsar Mass Spectrometer. Elemental Analyses were performed by Desert Analytics, Tucson, AZ, and Galbraith Laboratories, Knoxville, TN. UV-Vis spectra were measured on an HP 8452A Diode Array spectrophotometer or an Olis RSM 1000 spectrometer and baseline corrected. Magnetic circular dichroism (MCD) measurements were performed with a JASCO J-720 spectropolarimeter equipped with a 1.504 T JASCO electromagnet.

Methods of Calculation. All DFT geometry optimizations were performed with the B3LYP method as implemented in ADF¹ using the TZP internal basis set of Slater type orbitals. Vertical excitation energies were calculated with the TD-DFT method (B3LYP/DZP), MCD B terms at the B3LYP/DZP level.

Optimized geometries at the B3LYP/TZP level.

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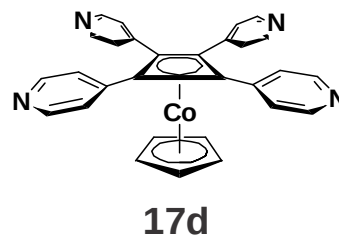
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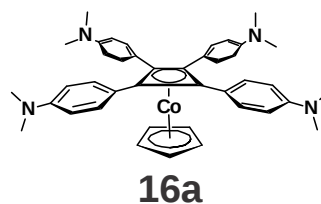
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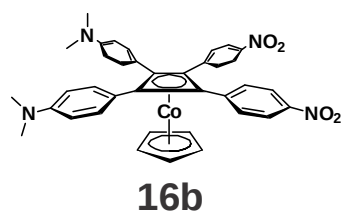
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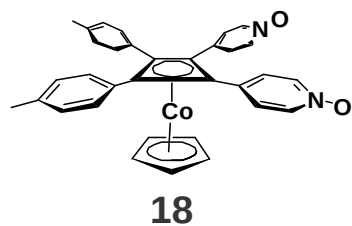
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H	-1.491034	5.369565	0.245504
H	-1.564039	2.959465	0.676171
H	-2.438876	1.898751	-1.827554
H	-4.910538	1.934452	-2.181071
O	-6.518700	0.304462	-1.256279



H	-5.438684	-1.444582	0.105709
H	-2.993865	-1.618386	0.578843
H	-1.873193	-2.469454	-1.829474
H	-1.889731	-4.942319	-2.160774
O	-0.246858	-6.529851	-1.220962
H	1.494225	-5.423322	0.128949
H	1.648883	-2.972618	0.580582
H	-2.300872	0.292001	3.032318
H	-0.424210	2.220381	3.076732
H	1.988701	1.032547	3.088524
H	1.608355	-1.628407	3.050845
H	-1.044290	-2.089967	3.016619
H	-0.714333	7.207008	-1.349194
H	0.806267	7.275149	-0.465082
H	0.818303	7.007212	-2.206564
H	7.214116	0.727363	-1.329126
H	7.282210	-0.761875	-0.393394
H	7.030045	-0.834377	-2.135959

Table S1. TDDFT (B3LYP/DZP) calculated vertical transitions in **17d**.

	$\tilde{\nu}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	f	B term ^a	dominant configurations ^b	polarization
1	17 735	0.0020	1.8050	3$\rightarrow$-1, 4$\rightarrow$-2	x,y
2	17 749	0.0021	1.8163	3$\rightarrow$-2, 4$\rightarrow$-1	
3	21 045	0.0032	-2.9795	4$\rightarrow$-1, 3$\rightarrow$-2, 10$\rightarrow$-1	x,y
4	21 075	0.0032	-2.9250	4$\rightarrow$-2, 10$\rightarrow$-2, 3$\rightarrow$-1	
5	23 144	0.0001	-1.0861	1$\rightarrow$-2, 2$\rightarrow$-1	x,y
6	24 574	0.0000	-0.8043	2$\rightarrow$-1, 1$\rightarrow$-2	
7	25 945	0.0001	-0.3220	1$\rightarrow$-1, 2$\rightarrow$-2	z
8	26 922	0.0034	-1.4966	10$\rightarrow$-1, 16$\rightarrow$-1, 4$\rightarrow$-1	x,y
9	26 943	0.0032	-1.2386	10$\rightarrow$-2, 16$\rightarrow$-2, 4$\rightarrow$-2	
10	31 071	0.1690	-34.3605	2$\rightarrow$-2, 1$\rightarrow$-1, 4$\rightarrow$-3	z
11	31 281	0.1720	27.8620	1$\rightarrow$-3	x,y
12	31 322	0.1668	28.2417	2$\rightarrow$-3	
13	32 077	0.0075	-0.7695	3$\rightarrow$-3	z
14	34 749	0.0008	0.8533	5$\rightarrow$-1, 6$\rightarrow$-2, 8$\rightarrow$-3	z
15	34 803	0.0032	0.4072	6$\rightarrow$-2	z
16	34 941	0.0012	0.4707	7$\rightarrow$-1, 8$\rightarrow$-1, 5$\rightarrow$-3	x,y
17	34 997	0.0012	0.4055	8$\rightarrow$-2, 7$\rightarrow$-2, 6$\rightarrow$-3	
18	35 571	0.2277	-9.6997	4$\rightarrow$-3, 2$\rightarrow$-2, 1$\rightarrow$-1	z
19	35 698	0.0068	-0.4248	15$\rightarrow$-1, 14$\rightarrow$-2	z
20	36 530	0.0747	2.2367	1$\rightarrow$-4, 1$\rightarrow$-5	x,y
21	36 569	0.0711	4.8496	2$\rightarrow$-4	
22	36 846	0.0427	1.6939	1$\rightarrow$-5, 1$\rightarrow$-4, 9$\rightarrow$-1	x,y
23	36 884	0.0409	3.1861	2$\rightarrow$-5, 2$\rightarrow$-4, 9$\rightarrow$-2, 7$\rightarrow$-2	
24	36 971	0.0003	0.5029	5$\rightarrow$-2, 6$\rightarrow$-1	x,y
25	37 053	0.0016	0.6472	6$\rightarrow$-1, 5$\rightarrow$-2	
26	37 395	0.0037	0.3559	8$\rightarrow$-1, 7$\rightarrow$-1, 1$\rightarrow$-5	x,y
27	37 403	0.0037	0.4606	7$\rightarrow$-2, 8$\rightarrow$-2, 2$\rightarrow$-5	
28	37 546	0.0001	-1.2808	11$\rightarrow$-1, 12$\rightarrow$-2, 15$\rightarrow$-2, 14$\rightarrow$-1, 1$\rightarrow$-7	z
29	37 706	0.0062	4.7315	12$\rightarrow$-2, 11$\rightarrow$-1, 2$\rightarrow$-6, 1$\rightarrow$-7	z
30	37 978	0.0001	-1.2078	15$\rightarrow$-1, 14$\rightarrow$-2, 11$\rightarrow$-2, 12$\rightarrow$-1	z
31	38 077	0.0272	-1.4882	9$\rightarrow$-1, 1$\rightarrow$-5	z
32	38 096	0.0018	0.5135	15$\rightarrow$-2, 14$\rightarrow$-1, 2$\rightarrow$-6	z
33	38 105	0.0274	-0.7369	9$\rightarrow$-2, 2$\rightarrow$-5	z
34	38 563	0.0018	-0.9419	11$\rightarrow$-2, 12$\rightarrow$-1	z
35	38 695	0.0000	0.4902	12$\rightarrow$-1, 11$\rightarrow$-2, 15$\rightarrow$-1, 14$\rightarrow$-2	z
36	39 303	0.0000	-0.7793	3$\rightarrow$-4	z
37	39 427	0.0114	0.6414	13$\rightarrow$-1, 5$\rightarrow$-3	x,y
38	39 447	0.0005	1.2437	1$\rightarrow$-6	z
39	39 472	0.0112	2.8744	13$\rightarrow$-2, 6$\rightarrow$-3	x,y
40	39 524	0.0001	-2.4408	2$\rightarrow$-7, 1$\rightarrow$-7, 2$\rightarrow$-6	z
41	39 600	0.0032	-1.9150	7$\rightarrow$-3	z
42	39 672	0.0016	0.3562	8$\rightarrow$-3, 2$\rightarrow$-7	z
43	39 687	0.0070	1.5313	5$\rightarrow$-3, 13$\rightarrow$-1	z
44	39 730	0.0065	-0.4790	6$\rightarrow$-3, 13$\rightarrow$-2	z
45	40 059	0.0238	-6.5571	1$\rightarrow$-7, 11$\rightarrow$-1	x,y

46	40 079	0.0174	-4.7030	2→-6, 12→-2	
47	40 124	0.0005	-0.3882	4→-4, 10→-3	<i>z</i>
48	40.376	0.0003	1.8450	4→-4, 10→-3	<i>z</i>
49	40 653	0.0951	-20.8244	16→-1, 10→-1	<i>x,y</i>
50	40 672	0.0137	-3.2023	3→-5	<i>z</i>

^a In units of $10^{-5} \text{ D}^2 \beta_e / \text{cm}^{-1}$. ^b Dominant configurations with weight more than 10% (bold: weight more than 25%).
1 = HOMO, -1 = LUMO, 2 = HOMO-1, -2 = LUMO+1, etc.

Figure S1. The B3LYP/DZP frontier orbitals of **17d**.

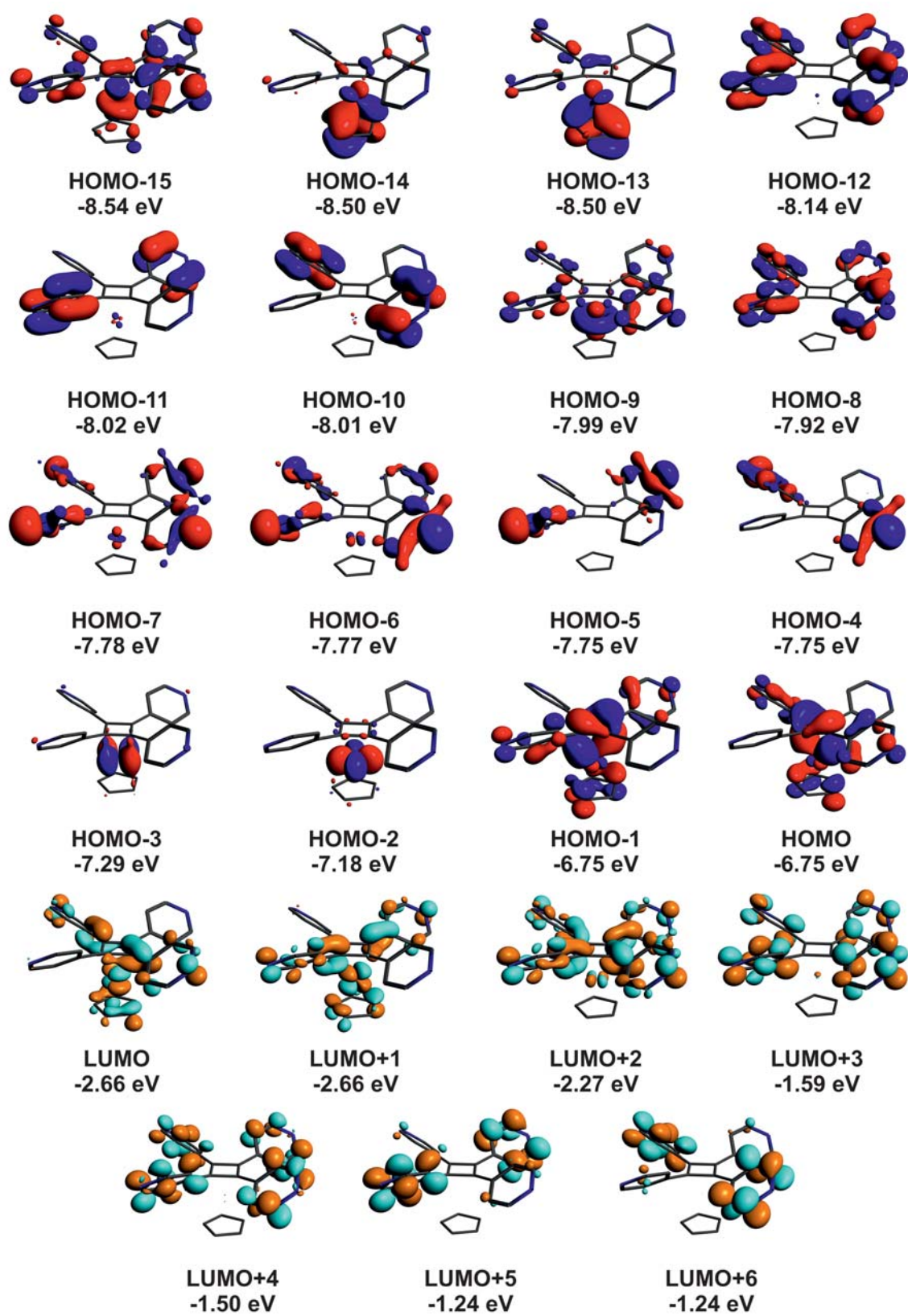


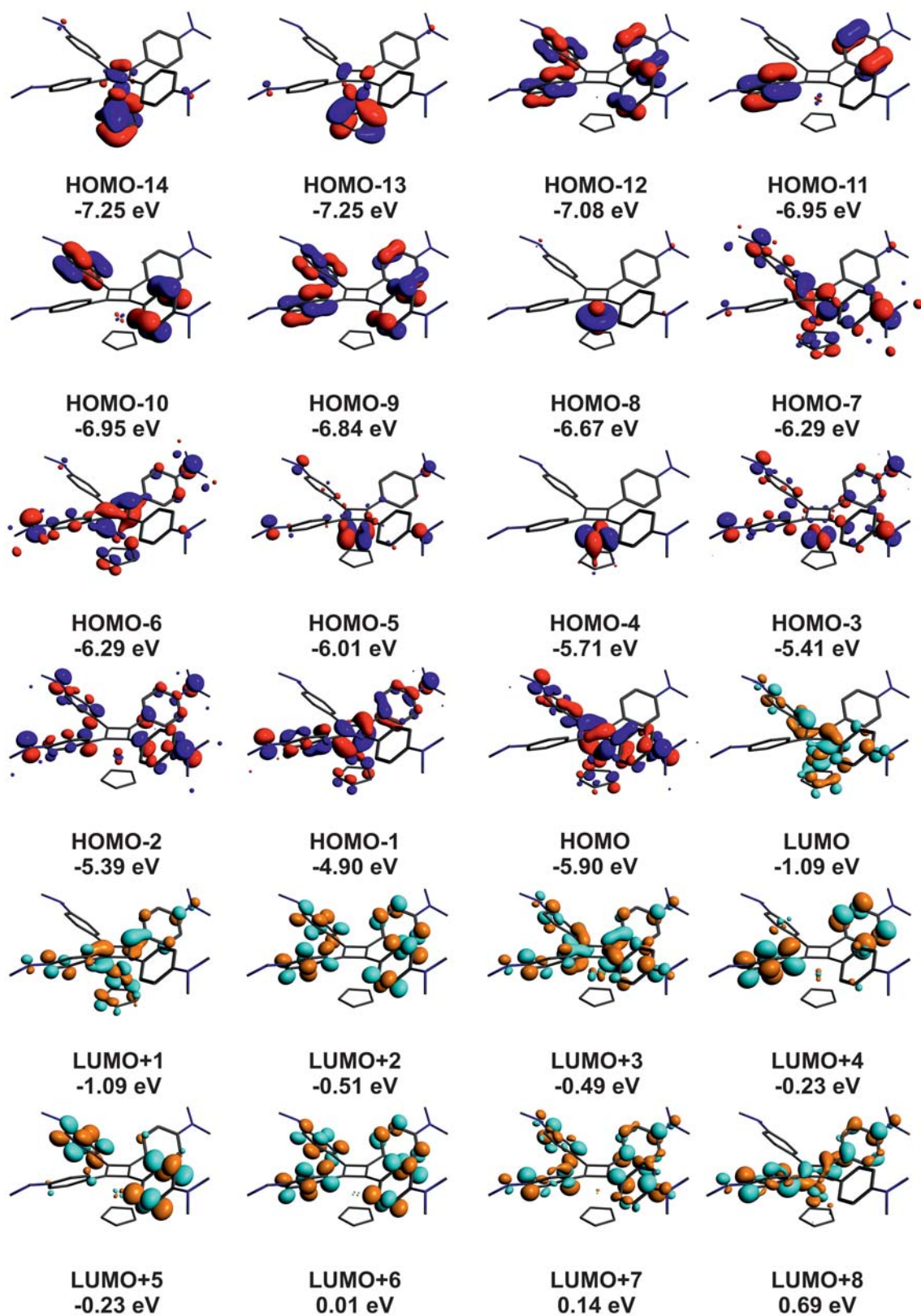
Table S2. TDDFT (B3LYP/DZP) calculated vertical transitions in **16a**.

	$\tilde{\nu}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	f	B term ^a	dominant configurations ^b	polarization ^c
1	18 010	0.0046	3.3083	5 $\rightarrow$ -1, 4 $\rightarrow$ -1, 5 $\rightarrow$ -2, 6 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
2	18 012	0.0047	3.3130	5 $\rightarrow$ -2, 4 $\rightarrow$ -2, 5 $\rightarrow$ -1, 6 $\rightarrow$ -1	
3	21 240	0.0112	-3.8193	6 $\rightarrow$ -1, 4 $\rightarrow$ -1, 5 $\rightarrow$ -2, 9 $\rightarrow$ -1	
4	21 248	0.0116	-3.9529	6 $\rightarrow$ -2, 4 $\rightarrow$ -2, 5 $\rightarrow$ -1, 9 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
5	21 331	0.0007	-0.3334	1 $\rightarrow$ -2, 2 $\rightarrow$ -1	<i>mixed</i>
6	23 106	0.0000	0.8973	2 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -2	<i>mixed</i>
7	24 270	0.0000	2.3260	1 $\rightarrow$ -1, 2 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
8	26 821	0.0165	-3.5308	9 $\rightarrow$ -2, 3 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
9	26 827	0.0165	-3.5232	9 $\rightarrow$ -1, 3 $\rightarrow$ -1	
10	29 899	0.2090	2.3169	2 $\rightarrow$ -2, 1 $\rightarrow$ -1	z
11	30 789	0.0166	7.0758	1 $\rightarrow$ -4, 3 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
12	30 799	0.0142	6.1309	2 $\rightarrow$ -4, 3 $\rightarrow$ -2	
13	30 890	0.0169	10.6723	1 $\rightarrow$ -3, 2 $\rightarrow$ -4	x,y
14	30 903	0.0183	10.4780	2 $\rightarrow$ -3	
15	31 494	0.5391	4.3162	1 $\rightarrow$ -4, 3 $\rightarrow$ -1, 2 $\rightarrow$ -3	x,y
16	31 499	0.5410	5.4771	2 $\rightarrow$ -4, 3 $\rightarrow$ -2	
17	32 840	0.1355	16.4656	6 $\rightarrow$ -1, 4 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
18	32 845	0.1342	16.3973	6 $\rightarrow$ -2, 2 $\rightarrow$ -2	
19	33 072	0.0492	-9.3644	1 $\rightarrow$ -6, 2 $\rightarrow$ -5	z
20	33 130	0.0005	-0.6280	2 $\rightarrow$ -5, 1 $\rightarrow$ -6	z
21	33 149	0.0029	-0.5139	1 $\rightarrow$ -5, 2 $\rightarrow$ -6	z
22	33 219	0.0001	-1.8394	2 $\rightarrow$ -6, 1 $\rightarrow$ -5	<i>mixed</i>
23	34 360	0.0209	3.3124	5 $\rightarrow$ -4, 4 $\rightarrow$ -4	z
24	34 935	0.0025	5.0995	1 $\rightarrow$ -7	x,y
25	34 951	0.0025	5.0597	2 $\rightarrow$ -7	
26	35 200	0.0000	-1.9546	4 $\rightarrow$ -3	<i>mixed</i>
27	35 441	0.0048	0.5545	3 $\rightarrow$ -3	z
28	35 771	0.0000	0.3942	3 $\rightarrow$ -4	<i>mixed</i>
29	35 938	0.0190	6.1065	4 $\rightarrow$ -4, 5 $\rightarrow$ -4, 7 $\rightarrow$ -1, 8 $\rightarrow$ -2	z
30	36 142	0.0004	1.8301	7 $\rightarrow$ -1, 8 $\rightarrow$ -2	<i>mixed</i>
31	36 240	0.0647	11.2130	8 $\rightarrow$ -2, 7 $\rightarrow$ -1, 4 $\rightarrow$ -4	z
32	36 433	0.3903	-1.0232	1 $\rightarrow$ -8	x,y
33	36 450	0.3890	-2.6411	2 $\rightarrow$ -8	
34	36 819	0.0001	0.8976	7 $\rightarrow$ -2, 8 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
35	36 866	0.0000	-1.9311	5 $\rightarrow$ -3	x,y
36	37 326	0.0159	-0.4921	4 $\rightarrow$ -5	x,y
37	37 329	0.0167	-0.6033	4 $\rightarrow$ -6	
38	37 627	0.0514	-6.5168	3 $\rightarrow$ -5, 4 $\rightarrow$ -5	x,y
39	37 637	0.0511	-	3 $\rightarrow$ -6, 4 $\rightarrow$ -6	
40	37 847	0.0697	-	14 $\rightarrow$ -1, 15 $\rightarrow$ -1	z
41	38 333	0.0662	-	8 $\rightarrow$ -1, 7 $\rightarrow$ -2	z
42	39 088	0.0001	-	6 $\rightarrow$ -4, 5 $\rightarrow$ -5	x,y
43	39 102	0.0003	-	5 $\rightarrow$ -6, 6 $\rightarrow$ -4, 3 $\rightarrow$ -7	<i>mixed</i>
44	39 107	0.0001	-	5 $\rightarrow$ -5, 5 $\rightarrow$ -6	x,y
45	39 127	0.0001	-	3 $\rightarrow$ -7, 6 $\rightarrow$ -3, 5 $\rightarrow$ -6	<i>mixed</i>

46	39 162	0.0058	-	4→-7	<i>z</i>
47	39 562	0.0001	-	1→-9, 2→-10	<i>mixed</i>
48	39 682	0.0000	-	6→-3, 3→-7	<i>x,y</i>
49	39 869	0.0000	-	1→-10, 2→-9	<i>x,y</i>
50	40 227	0.0018	-	2→-10, 1→-9	<i>z</i>

^aIn units of $10^{-5} \text{ D}^2\beta_e/\text{cm}^{-1}$. ^b Dominant configurations with weight more than 10% (bold: weight more than 25%). 1 = HOMO, -1 = LUMO, 2 = HOMO-1, -2 = LUMO+1, etc. ^cPolarization is marked *z* if transition dipole moment vector in *z* direction is more then 3 times larger then in perpendicular (*x,y*) direction, if more then 3 times smaller the polarization is marked *x,y*, otherwise the polarization is *mixed*.

Figure S2. The B3LYP/DZP frontier orbitals of **16a**. Isosurface value = 0.04, except for Rydberg (diffuse) orbitals (LUMO+10 - LUMO+14), where the value is 0.015.



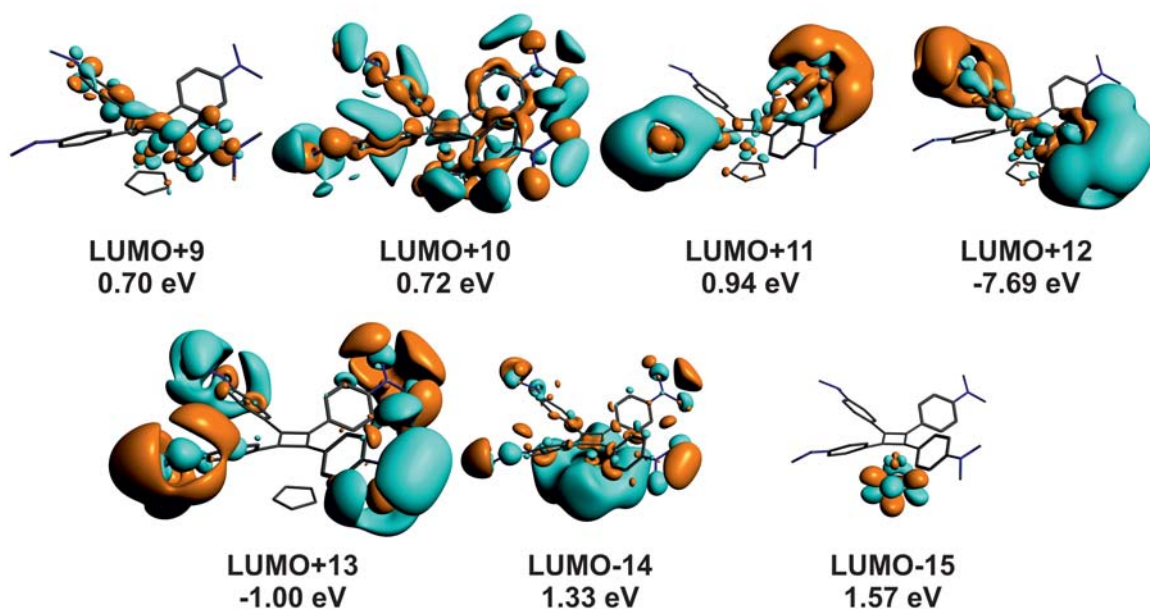


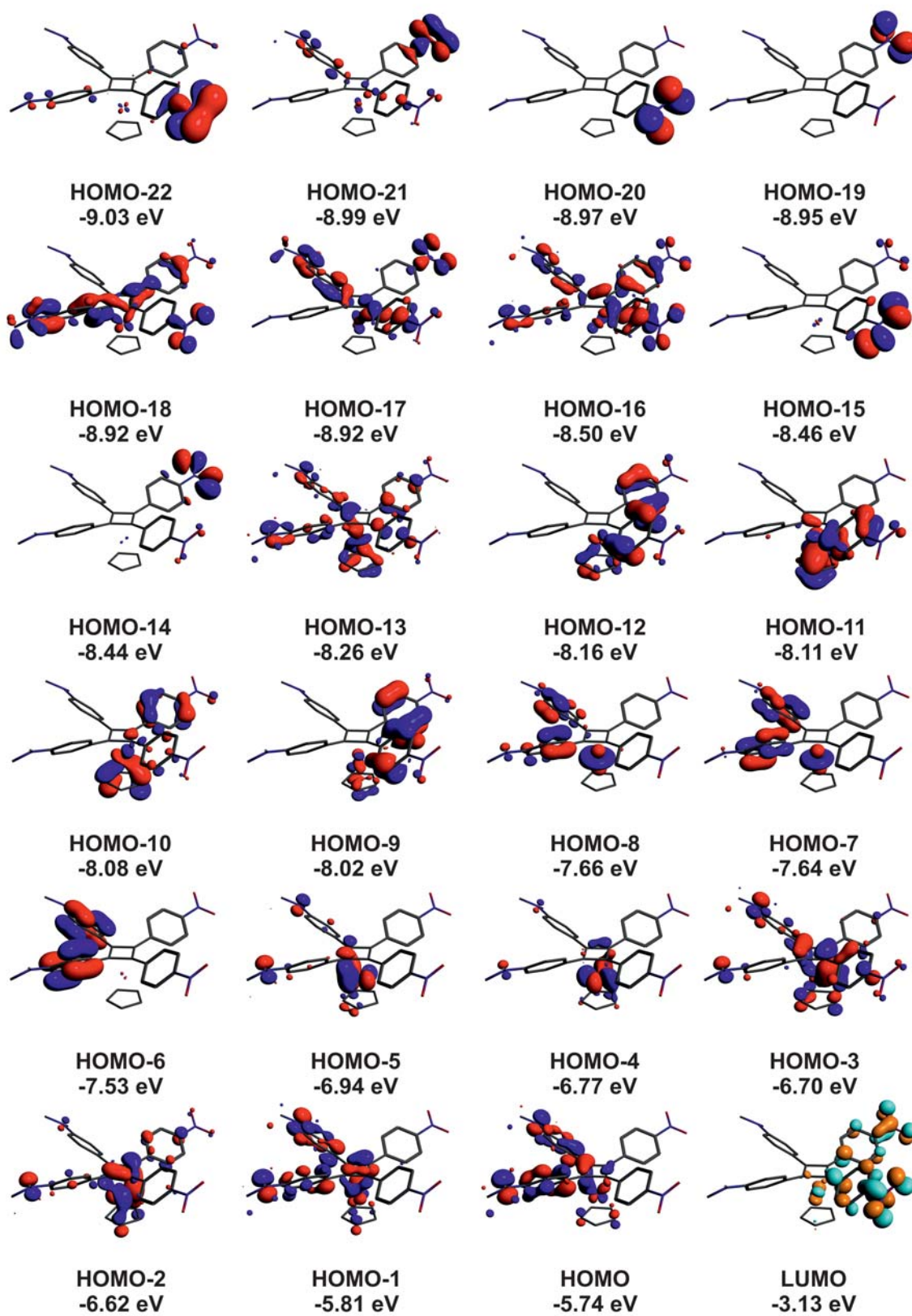
Table S3. TDDFT (B3LYP/DZP) calculated vertical transitions in **16b**.

	$\tilde{\nu}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	f	B term ^a	dominant configurations ^b	polarization ^c
1	16 528	0.0042	4.6721	5→-3, 2→-2, 5→-1	<i>x,y</i>
2	16 728	0.0013	0.5568	2→-1, 5→-4, 5→-2, 6→-3	<i>mixed</i>
3	17 170	0.0057	1.3058	1→-1	<i>x,y</i>
4	17 803	0.0121	4.7613	1→-2, 2→-1	<i>x,y</i>
5	18 387	0.0154	-0.5020	2→-2	<i>x,y</i>
6	18 845	0.0239	-1.4310	1→-2, 2→-1	<i>mixed</i>
7	20 533	0.0572	-11.5150	2→-2, 6→-2, 6→-4, 3→-2	<i>x,y</i>
8	20 767	0.0884	-7.2136	2→-1, 6→-1, 6→-3	<i>mixed</i>
9	23 269	0.0006	2.1172	4→-1, 1→-3	<i>x,y</i>
10	24 172	0.0053	0.8915	3→-1, 4→-2, 1→-4	<i>x,y</i>
11	24 611	0.0473	-0.3358	4→-1, 1→-3	<i>x,y</i>
12	25 084	0.0134	-4.2202	1→-4, 2→-3, 3→-2	<i>x,y</i>
13	25 408	0.0094	-2.5443	2→-4, 1→-3, 4→-1, 5→-2	<i>x,y</i>
14	26 178	0.0991	6.1836	4→-1, 3→-1, 6→-1	<i>mixed</i>
15	26 352	0.0034	2.6606	6→-1, 3→-2, 5→-1	<i>x,y</i>
16	26 755	0.3093	-10.6846	4→-2, 3→-1, 3→-2	<i>x,y</i>
17	27 065	0.2821	-4.1116	2→-4, 6→-2, 3→-2, 4→-2	<i>x,y</i>
18	27 559	0.0008	0.4642	5→-3, 5→-5, 3→-3, 6→-2	<i>mixed</i>
19	28 148	0.0060	1.1166	5→-2, 5→-4, 6→-1	<i>x,y</i>
20	29 218	0.0021	-1.8654	5→-3, 6→-1, 3→-4, 6→-3	<i>mixed</i>
21	29 592	0.0163	-0.4876	6→-2, 5→-4, 6→-4, 3→-4	<i>mixed</i>
22	29 921	0.1840	14.9272	2→-3, 1→-4, 2→-4, 1→-3	<i>mixed</i>
23	30 546	0.0035	-1.1164	1→-5	<i>mixed</i>
24	30 678	0.0016	-0.8051	15→-2, 15→-1	<i>mixed</i>
25	30 685	0.0020	-0.7657	16→-1, 16→-2	<i>mixed</i>
26	30 971	0.0531	-4.0507	2→-5	<i>mixed</i>
27	32 069	0.0002	1.6175	7→-1	<i>mixed</i>
28	32 508	0.0071	2.1350	4→-3, 4→-4, 1→-6	<i>x,y</i>
29	32 524	0.0016	1.5399	7→-2, 9→-1, 8→-1	<i>mixed</i>
30	32 663	0.0023	0.6966	1→-6	<i>x,y</i>
31	32 823	0.0575	12.3292	2→-6, 1→-7, 4→-4	<i>x,y</i>
32	32 949	0.1133	-2.5476	1→-7, 2→-6	<i>x,y</i>
33	33 192	0.0400	1.3361	4→-4, 6→-3, 3→-3, 2→-6	<i>mixed</i>
34	33 446	0.0300	1.3434	8→-1, 7→-2, 9→-1, 2→-7	<i>x,y</i>
35	33 512	0.1328	13.1920	2→-7	<i>x,y</i>
36	33 805	0.0073	-1.3412	8→-2, 1→-8, 9→-2	<i>mixed</i>
37	33 867	0.0141	0.6069	6→-4, 3→-4, 6→-3	<i>mixed</i>
38	34 089	0.0267	-2.2189	1→-8, 8→-2, 9→-2	<i>mixed</i>
39	34 327	0.0143	-1.6563	11→-1, 10→-1, 12→-2	<i>x,y</i>
40	34 405	0.0285	-0.2957	2→-8, 10→-2	<i>x,y</i>
41	34 613	0.0359	5.0571	10→-1, 13→-2	<i>mixed</i>
42	34 764	0.0005	1.7159	10→-2, 2→-8, 11→-1	<i>mixed</i>
43	34 968	0.0245	-3.7687	9→-1, 8→-1, 9→-3, 8→-3	<i>x,y</i>
44	35 195	0.0076	-2.2507	12→-1, 9→-2, 11→-2	<i>mixed</i>
45	35 306	0.0006	2.1214	22→-2, 22→-1, 18→-2, 18→-1	<i>x,y</i>

46	35 348	0.0011	-0.6952	23→-1, 23→-2	<i>mixed</i>
47	35 494	0.0646	-0.7460	12→-2, 12→-1	<i>x,y</i>
48	35 734	0.0138		11→-2, 12→-1	<i>mixed</i>
49	36 065	0.0056		1→-9	<i>mixed</i>
50	36 296	0.1310		4→-3, 3→-4	<i>mixed</i>

^a In units of $10^{-5} \text{ D}^2 \beta_e / \text{cm}^{-1}$. ^b Dominant configurations with weight more than 10% (bold: weight more than 25%). 1 = HOMO, -1 = LUMO, 2 = HOMO-1, -2 = LUMO+1, etc. ^c Polarization is marked z if transition dipole moment vector in z direction is more then 3 times larger then in perpendicular (x,y) direction, if more then 3 times smaller the polarization is marked x,y, otherwise the polarization is *mixed*.

Figure S3. The B3LYP/DZP frontier orbitals of **16b**.



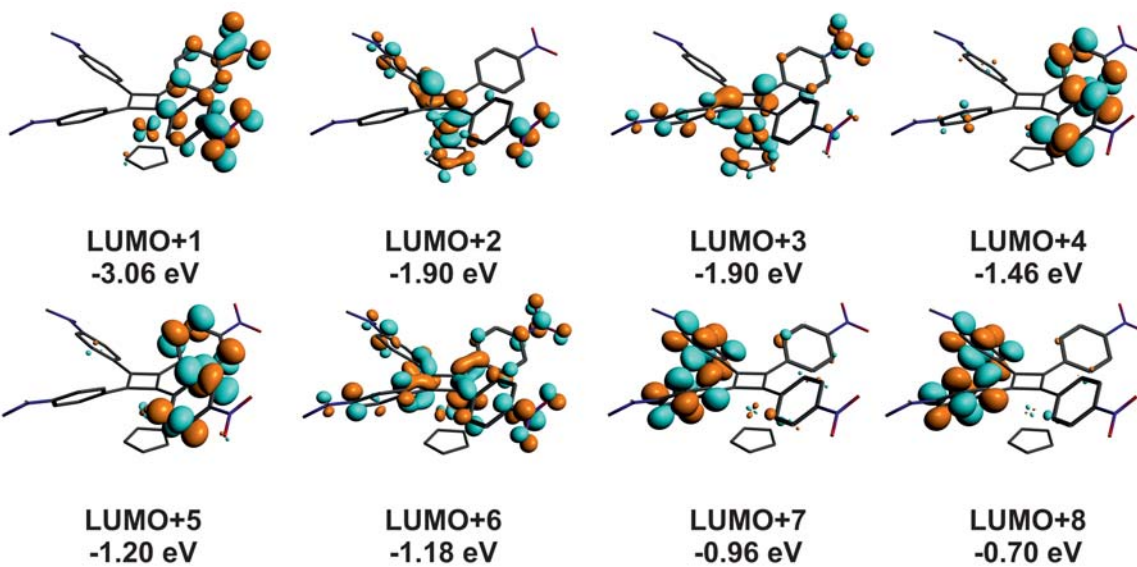


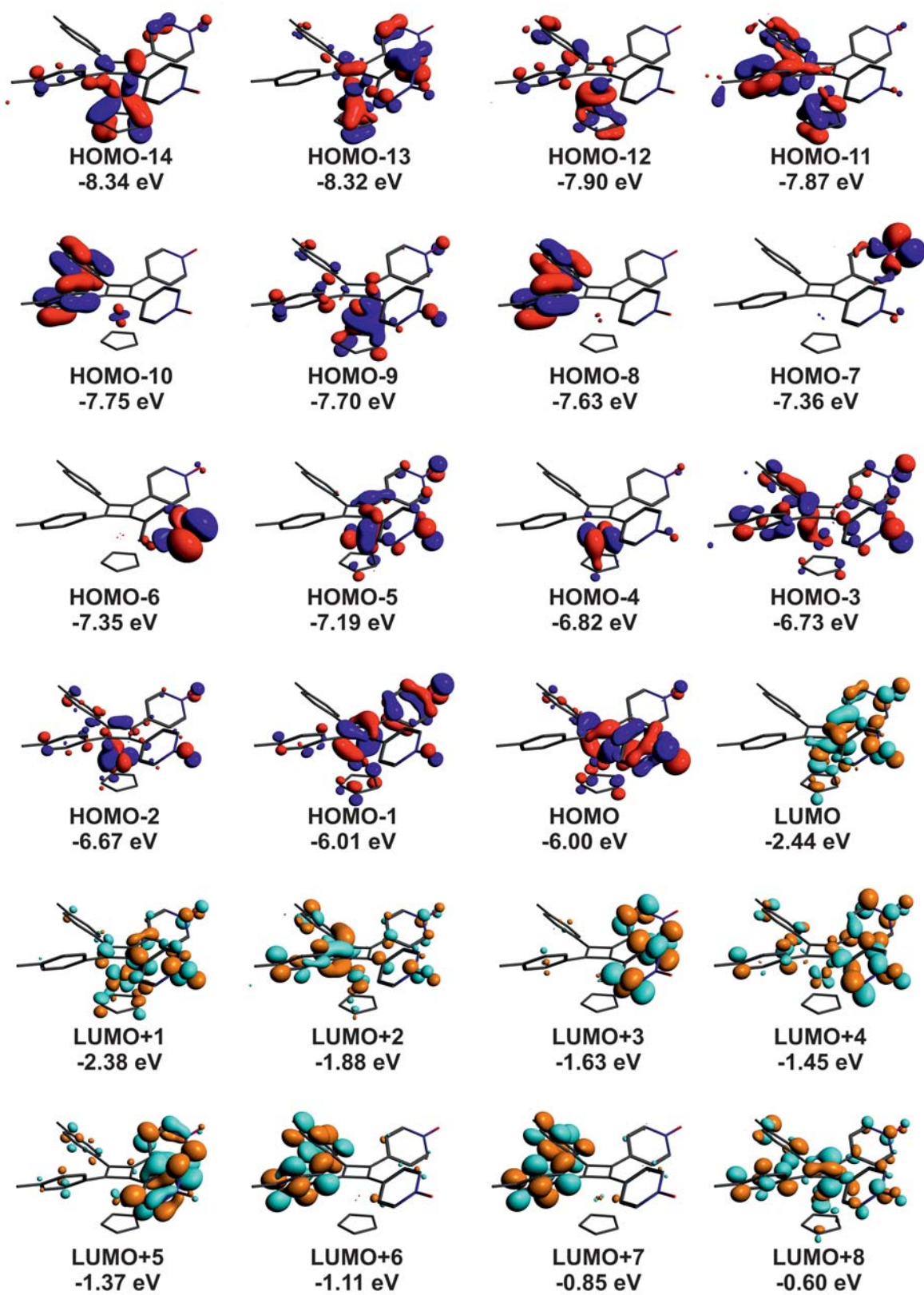
Table S4. TDDFT (B3LYP/DZP) calculated vertical transitions in **18**.

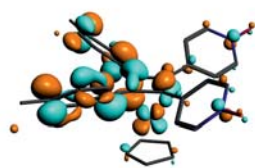
	$\tilde{\nu}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	f	B term ^a	dominant configurations ^b	polarization ^c
1	17 611	0.0033	2.1300	5 $\rightarrow$ -1, 3 $\rightarrow$ -2, 3 $\rightarrow$ -1, 5 $\rightarrow$ -3	x,y
2	17 632	0.0034	2.1201	5 $\rightarrow$ -2, 3 $\rightarrow$ -1, 3 $\rightarrow$ -2	
3	20 778	0.0036	-2.1386	3 $\rightarrow$ -2, 5 $\rightarrow$ -1, 6 $\rightarrow$ -2	
4	20 817	0.0053	-2.5464	3 $\rightarrow$ -1, 5 $\rightarrow$ -2, 6 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
5	21 125	0.0038	-2.5277	1 $\rightarrow$ -1, 2 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
6	22 430	0.0021	0.8547	2 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -2, 2 $\rightarrow$ -2, 1 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
7	24 123	0.0339	2.2011	2 $\rightarrow$ -2, 1 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -2, 2 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
8	26 392	0.0109	-1.6734	10 $\rightarrow$ -1, 13 $\rightarrow$ -1, 4 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
9	26 427	0.0168	-1.8506	10 $\rightarrow$ -2, 13 $\rightarrow$ -2, 4 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
10	28 306	0.2233	6.8915	1 $\rightarrow$ -3, 2 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -2	mixed
11	28 560	0.1227	11.7117	2 $\rightarrow$ -3, 1 $\rightarrow$ -3	x,y
12	28 971	0.1084	-2.5780	1 $\rightarrow$ -3, 1 $\rightarrow$ -2, 2 $\rightarrow$ -3	mixed
13	30 227	0.0181	-1.6936	1 $\rightarrow$ -4	mixed
14	30 317	0.0085	-0.8411	2 $\rightarrow$ -4, 1 $\rightarrow$ -4	x,y
15	30 574	0.0207	-1.5460	4 $\rightarrow$ -1	mixed
16	30 748	0.0007	-0.9986	8 $\rightarrow$ -1, 7 $\rightarrow$ -2, 8 $\rightarrow$ -2	mixed
17	30 864	0.0074	-0.5436	7 $\rightarrow$ -1, 7 $\rightarrow$ -2, 4 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
18	31 476	0.0564	-3.3289	4 $\rightarrow$ -1, 6 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
19	31 517	0.0156	1.1031	5 $\rightarrow$ -3, 3 $\rightarrow$ -3	mixed
20	31 937	0.0126	-5.2125	1 $\rightarrow$ -5, 6 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
21	32 329	0.0211	-2.9883	2 $\rightarrow$ -5, 6 $\rightarrow$ -2, 2 $\rightarrow$ -6	x,y
22	32 461	0.0005	2.0947	1 $\rightarrow$ -6, 2 $\rightarrow$ -6	x,y
23	32 659	0.0138	-5.9655	2 $\rightarrow$ -6, 1 $\rightarrow$ -6, 6 $\rightarrow$ -2	mixed
24	33 620	0.2355	4.6223	3 $\rightarrow$ -3, 5 $\rightarrow$ -3, 6 $\rightarrow$ -3, 3 $\rightarrow$ -1	mixed
25	34 027	0.5496	-0.8859	6 $\rightarrow$ -2, 4 $\rightarrow$ -3, 2 $\rightarrow$ -5	x,y
26	34 832	0.0628	2.8678	1 $\rightarrow$ -7, 4 $\rightarrow$ -3	x,y
27	35 003	0.0122	0.8133	2 $\rightarrow$ -7, 4 $\rightarrow$ -3, 1 $\rightarrow$ -7	mixed
28	35 132	0.0004	0.9506	2 $\rightarrow$ -7, 1 $\rightarrow$ -7, 4 $\rightarrow$ -3	mixed
29	35 459	0.3242	7.0305	3 $\rightarrow$ -3, 6 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -7	mixed
30	35 838	0.0393	0.3909	3 $\rightarrow$ -4	mixed
31	35 911	0.0076	-0.6256	15 $\rightarrow$ -1, 10 $\rightarrow$ -1	x,y
32	36 470	0.0029	0.7703	3 $\rightarrow$ -5, 4 $\rightarrow$ -4, 5 $\rightarrow$ -5	mixed
33	36 523	0.0108	-1.8083	4 $\rightarrow$ -4	mixed
34	36 576	0.0003	-0.7058	7 $\rightarrow$ -1, 7 $\rightarrow$ -2	mixed
35	36 764	0.0008	2.5278	5 $\rightarrow$ -4, 8 $\rightarrow$ -2	mixed
36	36 800	0.0038	1.0019	8 $\rightarrow$ -2, 5 $\rightarrow$ -4, 8 $\rightarrow$ -1, 1 $\rightarrow$ -8	x,y
37	36 873	0.0012	1.9372	1 $\rightarrow$ -8, 8 $\rightarrow$ -2	x,y
38	36 909	0.0023	2.0998	2 $\rightarrow$ -8	mixed
39	37 125	0.0021	0.3744	5 $\rightarrow$ -5	mixed
40	37 182	0.0019	0.3838	6 $\rightarrow$ -3, 4 $\rightarrow$ -5	mixed
41	37 444	0.0016	0.9697	9 $\rightarrow$ -1	mixed
42	37 637	0.0012	0.9030	5 $\rightarrow$ -5	mixed
43	37 823	0.0026	-0.3776	3 $\rightarrow$ -6	mixed
44	37 906	0.0015	-0.3831	9 $\rightarrow$ -1	mixed
45	38 052	0.0003	-0.5239	9 $\rightarrow$ -2, 1 $\rightarrow$ -8, 4 $\rightarrow$ -6	x,y

46	38 118	0.0230	0.3804	2→-9, 1→-9	<i>x,y</i>
47	38 291	0.0163	1.0626	4→-6 , 6→-4	<i>mixed</i>
48	38 383	0.0150	-2.3903	1→-10 , 2→-9	<i>x,y</i>
49	38 735	0.0056	-2.4411	11→-1 , 11→-2	<i>x,y</i>
50	38 766	0.0003	-1.4166	8→-4 , 8→-6	<i>x,y</i>

^a In units of $10^{-5} \text{ D}^2\beta_e/\text{cm}^{-1}$. ^b Dominant configurations with weight more than 10% (bold: weight more than 25%). 1 = HOMO, -1 = LUMO, 2 = HOMO-1, -2 = LUMO+1, etc. ^c Polarization is marked z if transition dipole moment vector in z direction is more then 3 times larger then in perpendicular (x,y) direction, if more then 3 times smaller the polarization is marked x,y, otherwise the polarization is *mixed*.

Figure S4. The B3LYP/DZP frontier orbitals of **18**.





LUMO+9
-0.53 eV

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