### Supporting Information for

# Anion Photoelectron Spectroscopy of Rubrene: Molecular Insights into Singlet Fission Energetics

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1392 cm<sup>-1</sup>

1503 cm<sup>-1</sup>

**Figure S1**. (a) Calculated vibrational modes with frequencies of  $v_{150}$  (179 meV (1447 cm<sup>-1</sup>)) and  $v_{152}$  (184 meV (1481 cm<sup>-1</sup>)) for the neutral RUB molecule for D<sub>2</sub> symmetry in the S<sub>0</sub> ground state. (b) Calculated vibrational modes with frequencies of  $v_{150}$  (173 meV (1392 cm<sup>-1</sup>)) and  $v_{159}$  (186 meV (1503 cm<sup>-1</sup>)) for the T<sub>1</sub> excited state. The vibrational modes are excited upon photodetachement since these vibrational modes are along the structural displacement between the anion and the neutral.

(a) Torsional vibrations of Tc backbone for twisted RUB  $(D_2)$ 



**Figure S2.** Calculated torsional vibrations with frequencies of 100-200 cm<sup>-1</sup> for the neutral RUB molecule of (a) twisted Tc backbone ( $D_2$ ) and (b) planar Tc backbone ( $C_{2h}$ ) isomers calculated with B3LYP/6-311G(d).



**Figure S3.** Scheme evaluating the charge-transfer (CT) energy, E(CT), in bulk. a) This work. b) Ionization energy,  $E_i$ , of the rubrene molecule (ref. 1). c) Polarization energy of the positive polaron, P<sup>+</sup>; difference between  $E_i$  and the work function of the RUB film (refs. 2, 3) (= 6.41 - 5.37). d) Polarization energy of the negative polaron, P<sup>-</sup>; difference between the IPES for LUMO (ref. 2) and EA (=2.7 - 1.48). e) Calculated Coulombic interaction of molecular ion pairs between (RUB)<sup>+</sup>@(RUB)<sub>n</sub> and (RUB)<sup>-</sup> @(RUB)<sub>n</sub>, which stand for positive and negative polarons consisting of an ion core and surrounding molecules, respectively. (ref. 4). f) Fluorescence (refs. 5-7). g) Phosphorescence (refs. 8-10).

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TABLE S1.	Total energies a	and Cartesian	coordinates (	(in Å).

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<b>Rubrene neutral</b> ( <i>E</i> = - 1617.65388018	Hartree): twisted $(D_2)$
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