



## Supporting Information

for

### **Electrochemical and spectroscopic properties of twisted dibenzo[*g,p*]chrysene derivatives**

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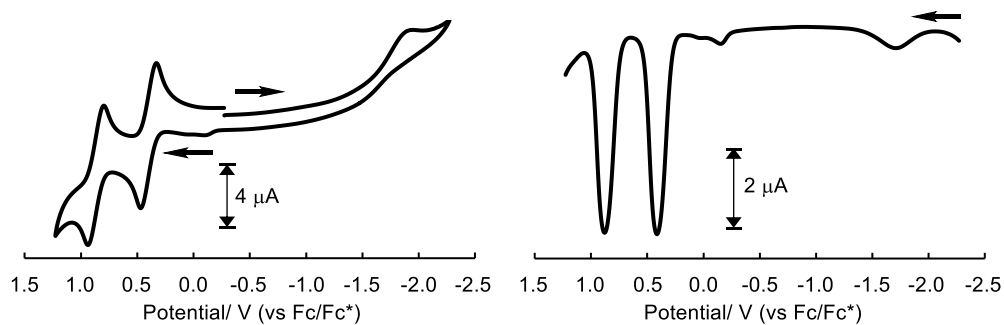
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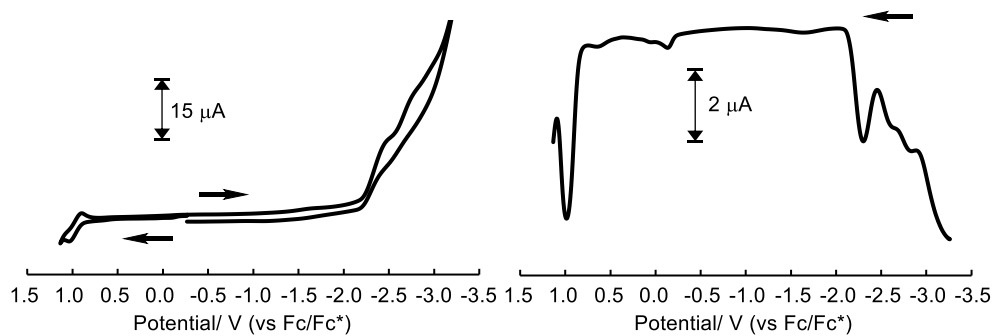
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## 1. Figures (S1–S3)

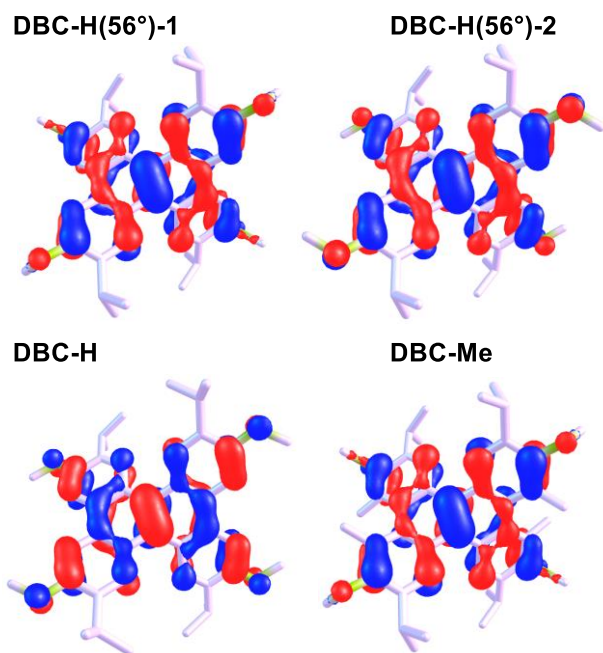
### DBC-SMe



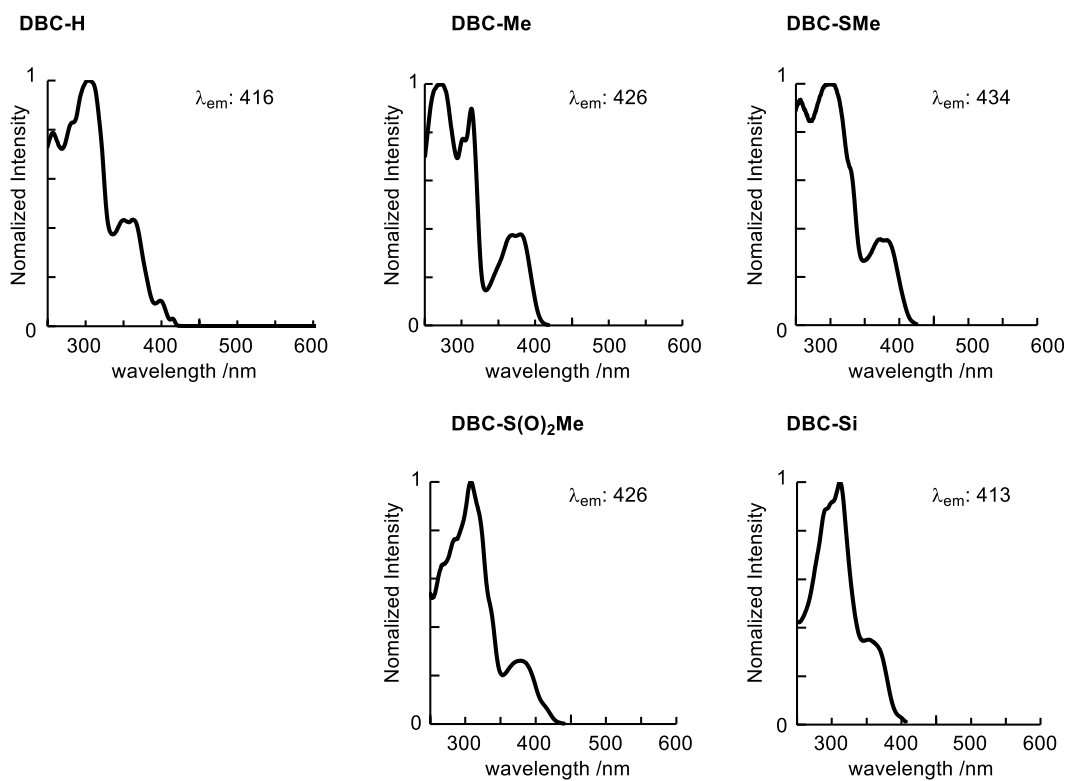
### DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me



**Figure S1.** CVs and SWVs of **DBC-SMe** and **DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> ( $\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-3}$  M, see below for details) including  $5.0 \times 10^{-2}$  M Bu<sub>4</sub>NBF<sub>4</sub> as a supporting electrolyte under Ar at 25 °C (working electrode: Pt, scan rate: 100 mV/s and 40 mV/s for CV and SWV measurements, respectively).



**Figure S2.** Orbital drawings of HOMO for DBC derivatives.



**Figure S3.** Excited spectra for DBC derivatives in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

**Table S1.** Wavelengths and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) for **DBC-H** estimated by TD-DFT calculation [TD-B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)]

Excited state	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Transition ( $\psi_{xxx} \rightarrow \psi_{yyy}$ )					
1	375.36	0.0409	165 $\rightarrow$ 167	-0.33401	166 $\rightarrow$ 168	0.61777		
2	367.64	0.1474	165 $\rightarrow$ 168	0.22931	166 $\rightarrow$ 167 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	0.66346		
3	348.78	0.0000	164 $\rightarrow$ 167	-0.18876	166 $\rightarrow$ 169	0.67616		
4	321.69	0.4225	165 $\rightarrow$ 167	0.57466	166 $\rightarrow$ 168	0.31408	166 $\rightarrow$ 170	-0.24859
5	301.66	0.4664	164 $\rightarrow$ 169	-0.11143	165 $\rightarrow$ 168	0.65429	166 $\rightarrow$ 167 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	-0.21024

**Table S2.** Wavelengths and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) for **DBC-Me** estimated by TD-DFT calculation [TD-B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)]

Excited state	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Transition ( $\psi_{xxx} \rightarrow \psi_{yyy}$ )					
1	382.98	0.2250	181 $\rightarrow$ 184	0.14522	182 $\rightarrow$ 183 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	0.68676		
2	364.35	0.0181	181 $\rightarrow$ 183	-0.40652	182 $\rightarrow$ 184	0.57291		
3	344.69	0.0000	180 $\rightarrow$ 183	-0.32512	182 $\rightarrow$ 185	0.61825		
4	320.20	0.4413	181 $\rightarrow$ 183	0.55590	182 $\rightarrow$ 184	0.39632	182 $\rightarrow$ 186	-0.14875
5	307.82	0.0000	180 $\rightarrow$ 183	0.61328	182 $\rightarrow$ 185	0.32188		

**Table S3.** Wavelengths and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) for **DBC-SMe** estimated by TD-DFT calculation [TD-B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)]

Excited state	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Transition ( $\psi_{xxx} \rightarrow \psi_{yyy}$ )					
1	386.11	0.1776	212 $\rightarrow$ 216	0.15435	214 $\rightarrow$ 215 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	0.68395		
2	373.77	0.0382	212 $\rightarrow$ 215	-0.33988	214 $\rightarrow$ 216	0.61244		
3	354.45	0.0000	208 $\rightarrow$ 215	-0.21817	210 $\rightarrow$ 215	-0.12908	214 $\rightarrow$ 217	0.64660
4	341.43	0.0041	213 $\rightarrow$ 215	0.69332				
5	328.47	0.3898	211 $\rightarrow$ 216	0.10352	212 $\rightarrow$ 215	0.58018	214 $\rightarrow$ 216	0.32907
					214 $\rightarrow$ 218	0.18299		

**Table S4.** Wavelengths and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) for **DBC-Br** estimated by TD-DFT calculation [TD-B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)]

Excited state	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Transition ( $\psi_{xxx} \rightarrow \psi_{yyy}$ )					
1	393.50	0.1852	233 $\rightarrow$ 236	0.14200	234 $\rightarrow$ 235 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	0.68627		
2	378.99	0.0344	233 $\rightarrow$ 235	-0.33512	234 $\rightarrow$ 236	0.61613		
3	362.28	0.0000	232 $\rightarrow$ 235	0.27025	234 $\rightarrow$ 237	0.64431		
4	332.41	0.3147	233 $\rightarrow$ 235	0.58566	234 $\rightarrow$ 236	0.32549	234 $\rightarrow$ 238	0.20022
5	320.89	0.0000	232 $\rightarrow$ 235	0.63722	234 $\rightarrow$ 237	-0.27031		

**Table S5.** Wavelengths and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) for **DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me** estimated by TD-DFT calculation [TD-B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)]

Excited state	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Transition ( $\psi_{xxx} \rightarrow \psi_{yyy}$ )					
1	393.30	0.1311	245 $\rightarrow$ 248	0.18016	246 $\rightarrow$ 247 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	0.67649		
2	391.34	0.0269	245 $\rightarrow$ 247	-0.30004	246 $\rightarrow$ 248	0.63429		
3	375.53	0.0004	244 $\rightarrow$ 247	0.19897	246 $\rightarrow$ 249	0.67199		
4	341.34	0.3149	245 $\rightarrow$ 247	0.60776	246 $\rightarrow$ 248	0.29604	246 $\rightarrow$ 251	0.18560
5	318.88	0.0003	242 $\rightarrow$ 248	-0.11521	244 $\rightarrow$ 247	0.65664	246 $\rightarrow$ 249	-0.19851

**Table S6.** Wavelengths and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) for **DBC-Si** estimated by TD-DFT calculation [TD-B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)]

Excited state	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Transition ( $\psi_{xxx} \rightarrow \psi_{yyy}$ )					
1	377.71	0.1275	195 $\rightarrow$ 198	0.15828	196 $\rightarrow$ 197 (HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO)	0.66980		
2	373.16	0.0094	195 $\rightarrow$ 197	-0.36578	196 $\rightarrow$ 198	0.58965		
3	363.25	0.0013	194 $\rightarrow$ 197	-0.17595	196 $\rightarrow$ 199	0.67802		
4	336.34	0.1321	195 $\rightarrow$ 197	0.46872	195 $\rightarrow$ 198	-0.10438	196 $\rightarrow$ 198	0.34027
			196 $\rightarrow$ 200	0.37335				
5	316.65	0.0159	194 $\rightarrow$ 197	0.34173	195 $\rightarrow$ 199	0.58542	196 $\rightarrow$ 199	0.11324

### 3. General

All the DBC derivatives reported here were synthesized according to our previous paper [S1]. The electrochemical studies were performed on a BAS ALS842D voltammetry analyzer. Absorption spectra were measured on a JASCO V-770 spectrometer using a quartz cuvette (1 cm square). Emission spectra were measured on a JASCO FP-8500 spectrometer. Concentration for the spectroscopic measurements is as follows, **DBC-H**:  $1.03 \times 10^{-5}$  M, **DBC-Me**:  $3.97 \times 10^{-6}$  M, **DBC-SMe**:  $4.00 \times 10^{-6}$  M, **DBC-Br**:  $3.98 \times 10^{-6}$  M, **DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me**:  $4.00 \times 10^{-6}$  M, and **DBC-Si**:  $1.00 \times 10^{-5}$  M. Quantum yield was measured based on the absolute quantum yield method using an integrating sphere (JASCO ILF-835). All calculations were conducted using a Gaussian 16 suite program (G16RevC.01)[S2]. In the present study, the optimization for **DBC-H(56°)-1** and **DBC-H(56°)-2** was performed at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level of theory (the calculation for other DBC derivatives were reported in reference [S1]). Harmonic vibration frequency analysis was conducted with the optimized structures at the same level of theory to verify all stationary points as local minima (with no imaginary frequency). TD-DFT calculations for **DBC-H**, **DBC-Me**, **DBC-SMe**, **DBC-Br**, **DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me**, and **DBC-Si** based on B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p) were performed using the optimized structures based on B3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p). See also reference [S1] for the DFT calculation of **DBC-H**, **DBC-Me**, **DBC-SMe**, **DBC-Br**, **DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me**, and **DBC-Si**.

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#### 4. Experimental procedure

**Electrochemical experiments:** The CVs and SWVs and were measured in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> containing 5.0 × 10<sup>-2</sup> M NBu<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> as a supporting electrolyte under argon at room temperature with a three-electrode system consisting of a platinum working electrode (BAS), a platinum auxiliary electrode (BAS), and an Ag/AgCl (0.01 M) reference electrode (BAS) at 100 mV/s for CV and 40 mV/s for SWV scan rates. Concentration of DBC derivatives is as follows, **DBC-H**: 1.00 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M, **DBC-Me**: 1.00 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M, **DBC-SMe**: 0.99 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M, **DBC-Br**: 0.97 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M, **DBC-S(O)<sub>2</sub>Me**: 1.00 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M, and **DBC-Si**: 1.00 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M. Redox potentials are given vs Fc/Fc<sup>+</sup>.

#### 5. Cartesian coordinates of optimized structures

**DBC-H(56°)-1**, optimized at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level of theory.

Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
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8	4.485653	-3.043348	-2.415000
8	4.645495	2.786450	2.335174
8	-4.485653	3.043348	-2.415000
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6	-0.020441	-0.695464	-0.040961
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6	-2.450967	0.715770	-0.395075



6	3.609720	1.049532	1.039181
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**DBC-H(56°)-2**, optimized at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level of theory.

Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
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8	4.649443	2.83332	2.282223
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6	-0.027633	-0.695215	-0.039575
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