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Design of porphyrin-based conjugated microporous polymers with enhanced singlet oxygen productivity

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Synthetic procedures (see also Scheme S1)

Preparation of tetrakis(4-bromophenyl)methane (1). A two-necked round-bottom flask connected via a rubber hose with a washing flask filled with 20% water solution of NaOH was charged with tetraphenylmethane (4.50 g; 12.5 mmol) and 10 mL of liquid Br₂ was added under vigorous stirring. After 20 min, the mixture was poured onto 40 mL of EtOH cooled to -78 °C. The resulting yellowish slurry was filtered and thoroughly washed with a saturated Na₂S₂O₅ water solution. The crude product was recrystallized from a 1:1 mixture of CHCl₃ and EtOH. Yield: 3.882 g, 49 %.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.01 (d, ³J_HH = 8.8 Hz, 8H); 7.39 (d, ³J_HH = 8.8 Hz, 8H).

Preparation of tetrakis(4-boronylphenyl)methane (2). A Schlenk tube charged with 1 (1.27 g; 2.0 mmol) was evacuated, purged three times with Ar, followed by the addition of dry THF (120 mL). The solution was cooled in a CO₂(s)/EtOH bath, and BuLi (6.5 mL of 2.5 M solution in hexane; 16 mmol) was dropwise added under vigorous stirring. After 30 min, B(O-iPr)₃ (5.5 mL; 238 mmol) was added and the mixture was further stirred for 20 min in the cooling bath and 60 min after the removal from the bath. The reaction was quenched by the addition of 25 mL of 1 M HCl. The crude mixture was concentrated on a rotavapor, neutralized with 1 M NaOH, and filtered. The pure product was obtained by acidification with the excess of 1 M HCl, filtration, and thorough washing with water.

Yield: 0.899 g, 91 %.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.14 (d, ³J_HH = 8.0 Hz, 8H); 7.68 (d, ³J_HH = 8.0 Hz, 8H); 8.03 (s, 8H).

Preparation of phenyldipyrromethane (3). A mixture of pyrrole (3.92 mL; 56.5 mmol) and benzaldehyde (1.92 mL; 18.8 mmol) was suspended in diluted HCl (1.6 mL of concentrated HCl in 100 mL) and vigorously stirred for 90 min at room temperature. The resulting slurry was filtered and washed five times with water and hexane.

Yield: 3.0 g, 72 %.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.48 (s, 1H); 5.93 (s, 2H); 6.18 (q, 2H); 6.70 (s, 2H); 7.14 – 7.36 (m, 5H); 7.91 (s, 2H).

Preparation of 4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)benzaldehyde (4). A 100 mL round-bottom flask was charged with 4-formylbenzeneboronic acid (2.00 g; 13.4 mmol) and pinacol (1.88 g; 16.1 mmol). The solids were layered with Et₂O (20 mL) and the slurry
was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature until all the reactants dissolved. The resulting mixture was diluted with Et$_2$O (40 mL), washed with NaCl solution, and the organic phase was dried over MgSO$_4$. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using CH$_2$Cl$_2$ as an eluent.

Yield: 2.59 g, 83%.

$^1$H NMR (CDCl$_3$): δ 1.36 (s, 12H); 7.87 (d, $^3$J$_{HH}$ = 8.0 Hz, 2H); 7.96 (d, $^3$J$_{HH}$ = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 10.05 (s, 1H).

**Preparation of 5,15-bis(4-bromophenyl)-10,20-diphenylporphyrin (6).** Compound 3 (2.22 g; 10 mmol) and 4-bromobenzaldehyde (1.85 g; 10 mmol) were dissolved in argon degassed CH$_2$Cl$_2$ (500 mL) in a 1000mL two-necked round-bottom flask. The mixture was evacuated and purged with argon three times and the reaction was initiated by the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (0.45 μL; 3.4 mmol). To minimize the amount of side products the reaction flask was fully covered with aluminum foil to protect the content from sunlight. After stirring for 24 h at room temperature, DDQ (2.72 g; 12 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was further stirred for 1 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of Et$_3$N (0.84 mL; 3.4 mmol). The resulting mixture was washed with NaCl solution and the organic fraction was dried over MgSO$_4$. The product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel column using CH$_2$Cl$_2$ as an eluent.

Yield: 690 mg, 18%.

$^1$H NMR (CDCl$_3$): δ −2.81 (s, 2H); 7.77 (d, 6 H, $^3$J$_{HH}$ = 7.2 Hz); 7.90 (d, 4 H, $^3$J$_{HH}$ = 8.0 Hz); 8.08 (d, 4 H, $^3$J$_{HH}$ = 8.4 Hz); 8.22 (d, 4 H, $^3$J$_{HH}$ = 6.0 Hz); 8.85 (dt, 8 H).
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