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# Crystal structures, intermolecular interactions and fluorescence properties of a series of symmetrical bi-1,3,4-oxadiazole derivatives

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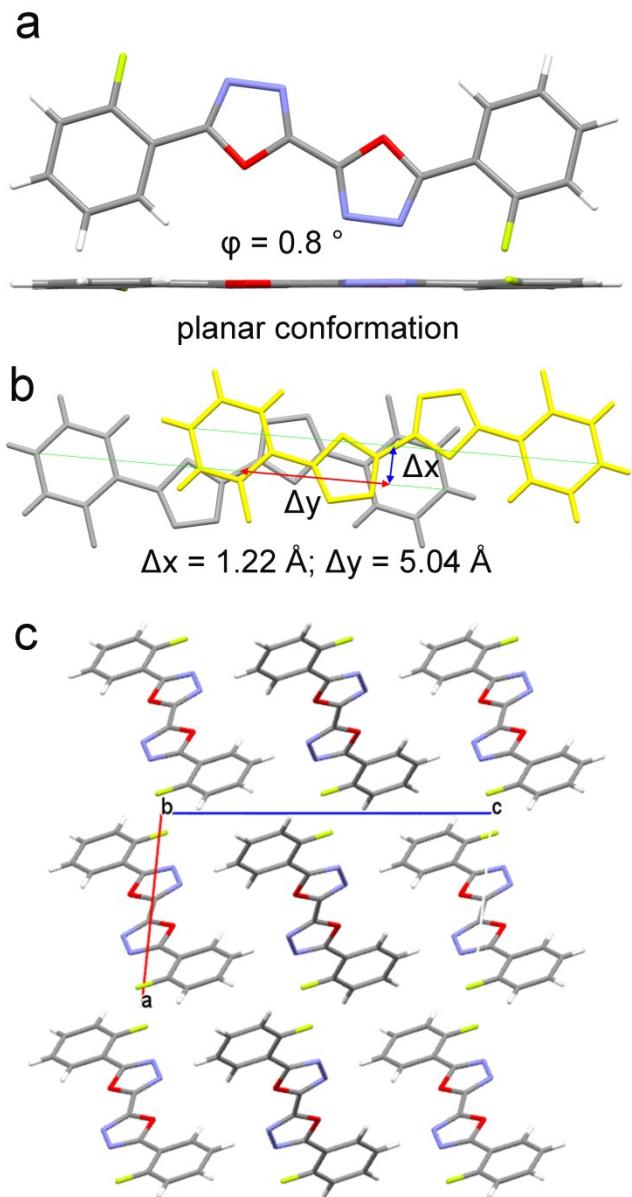


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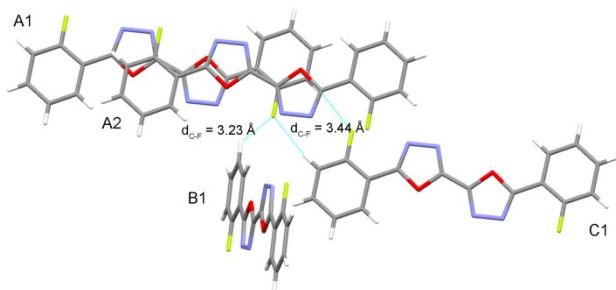


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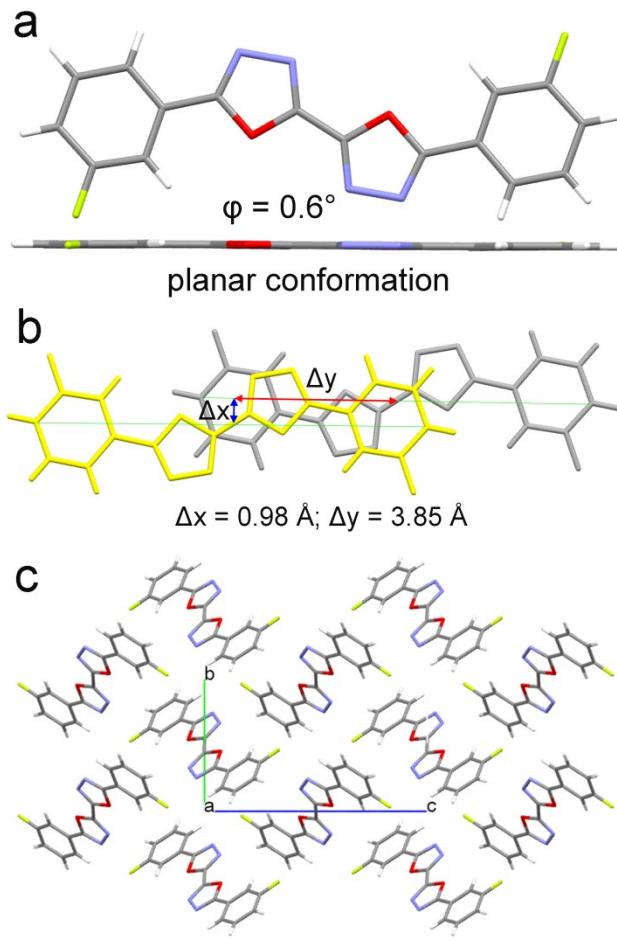


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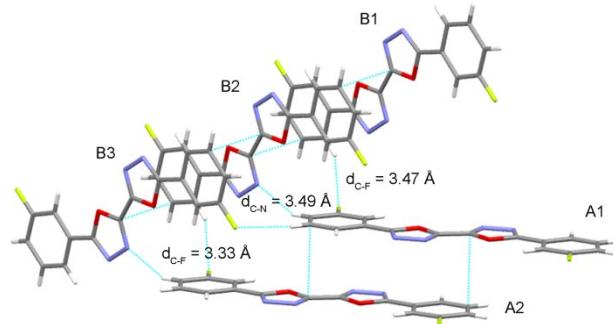


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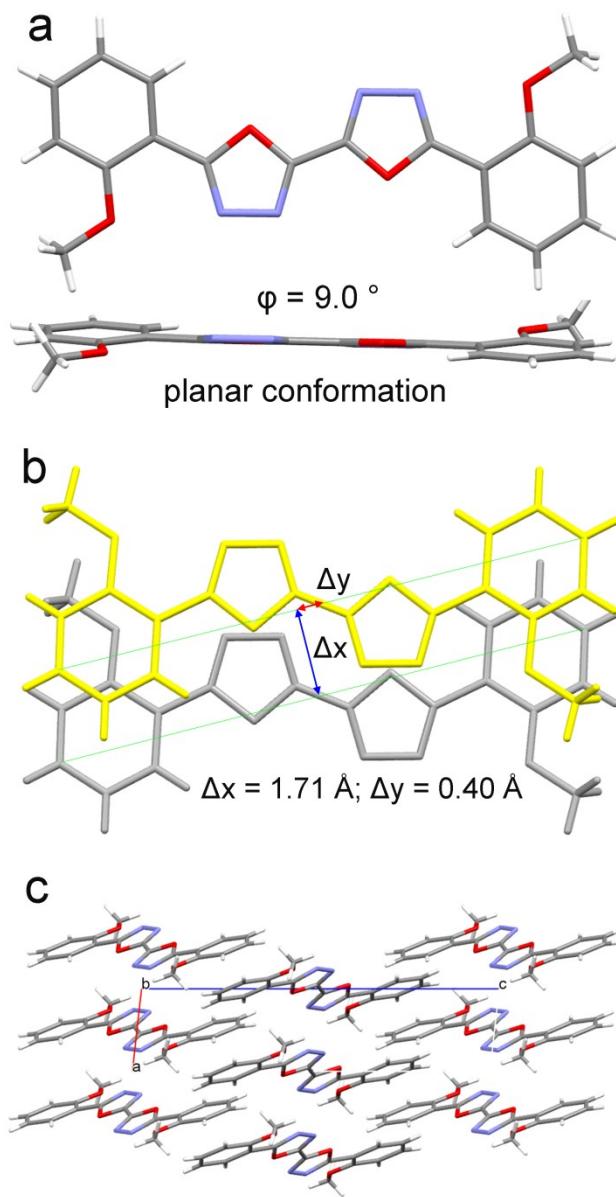


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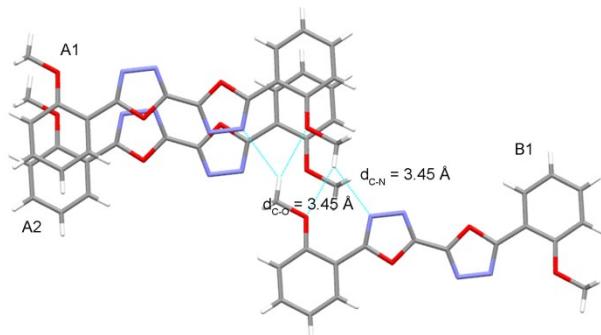


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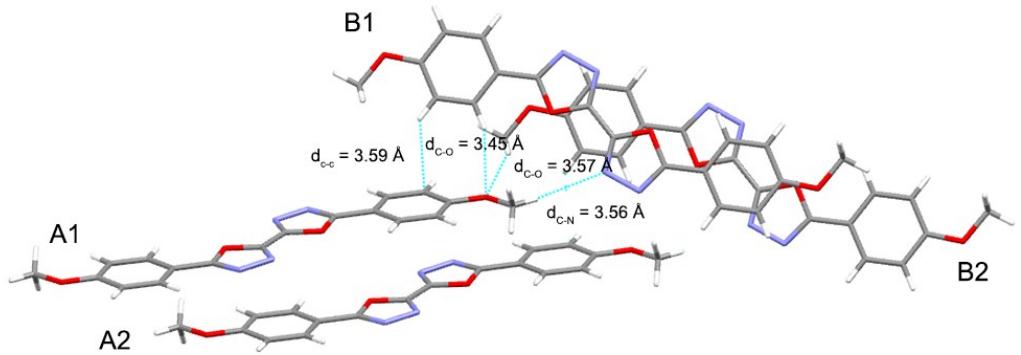


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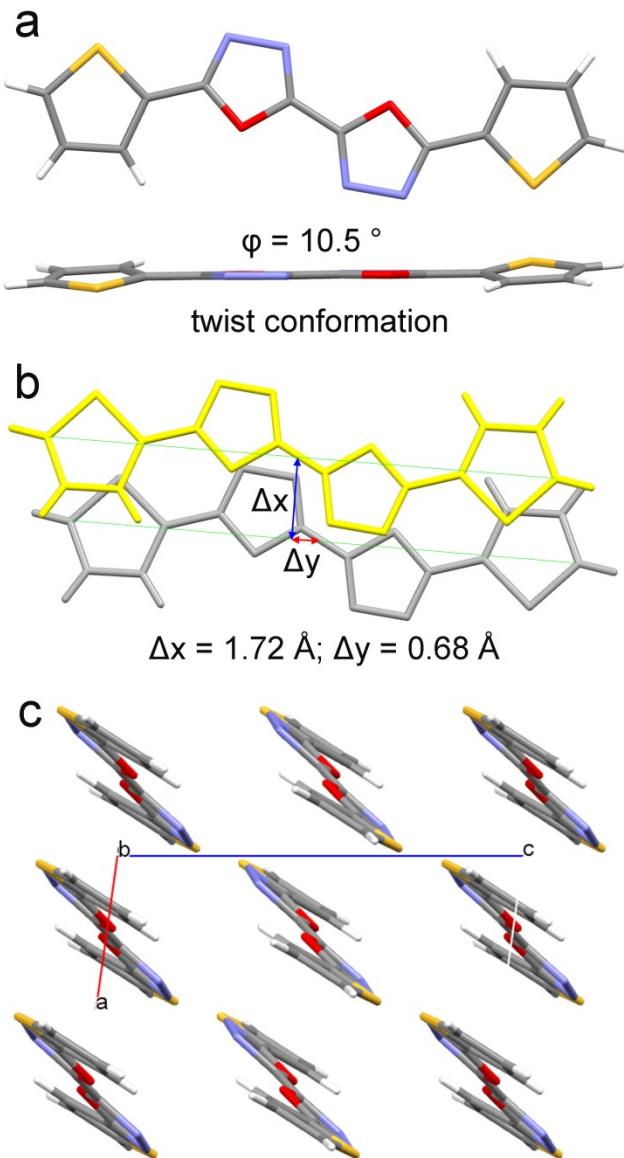


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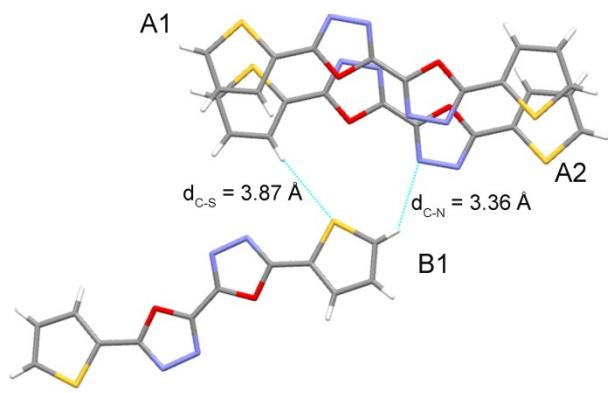


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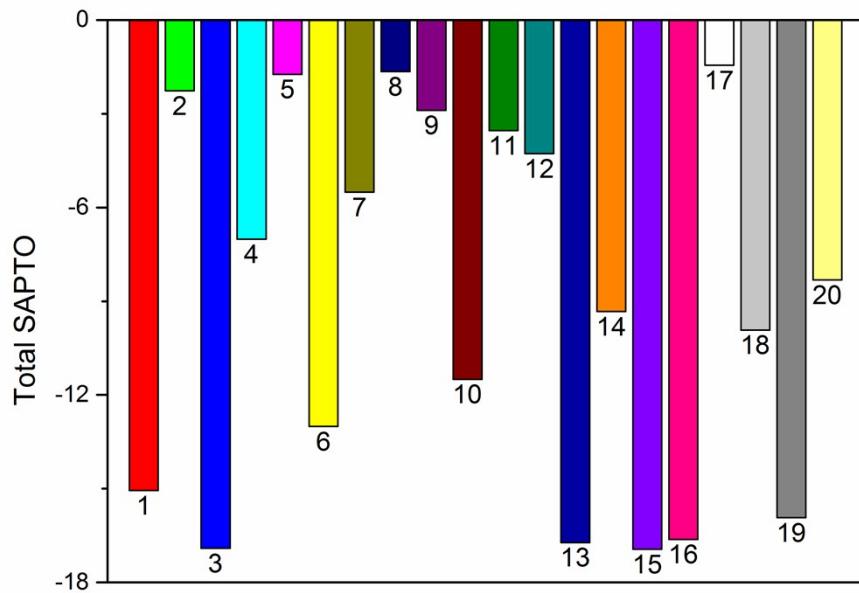


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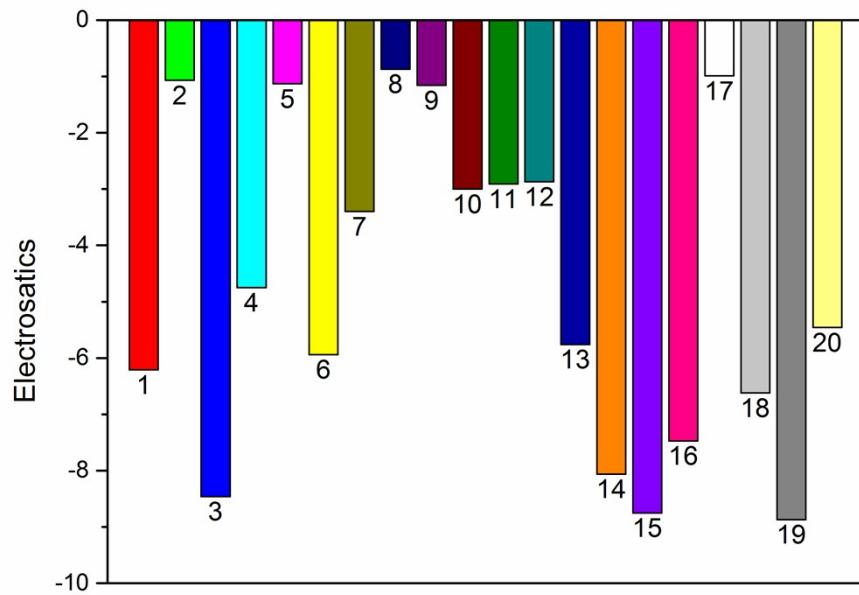


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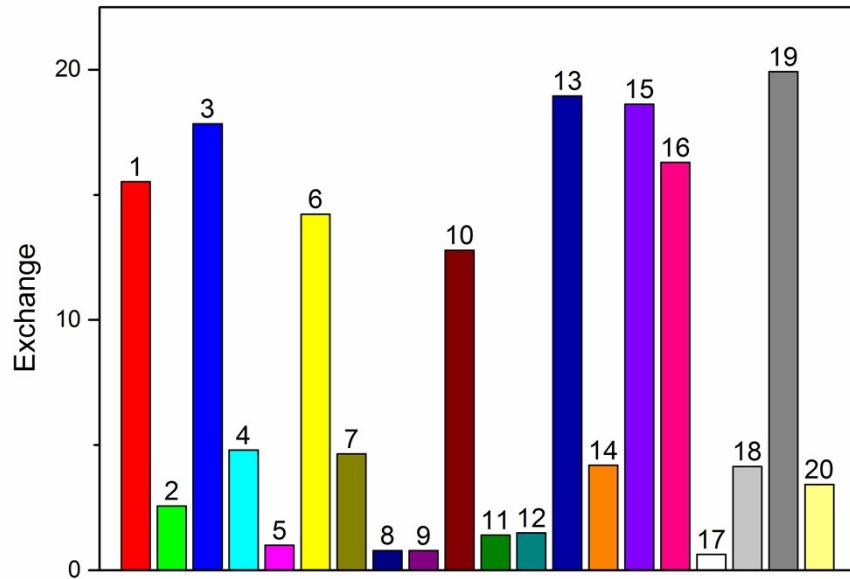


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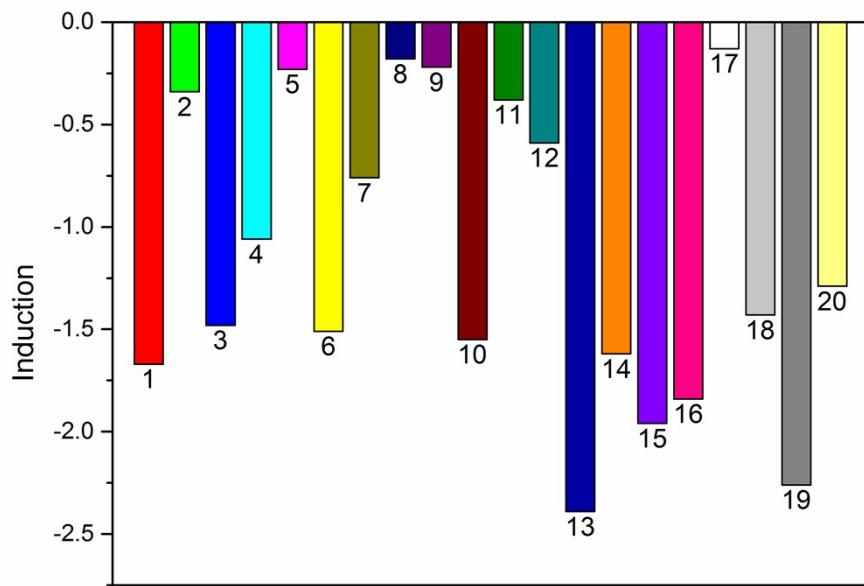


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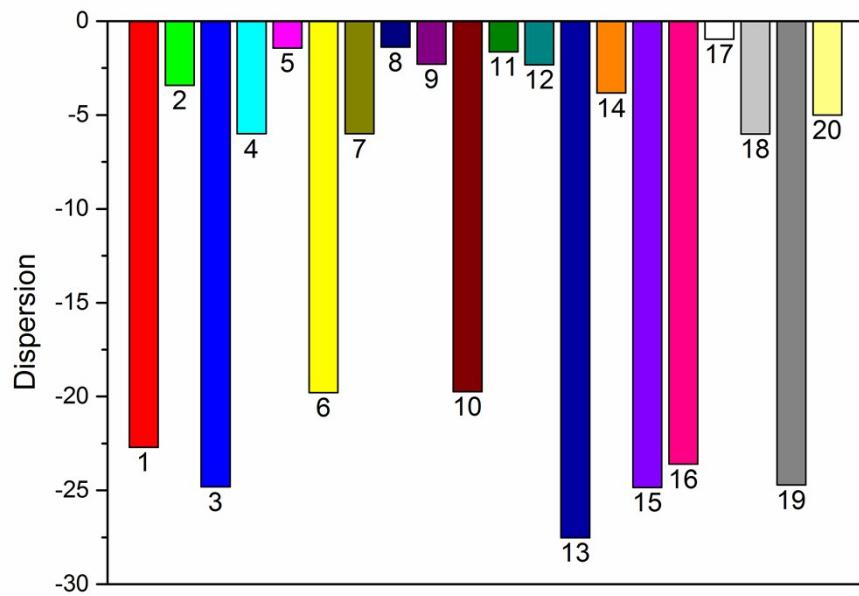


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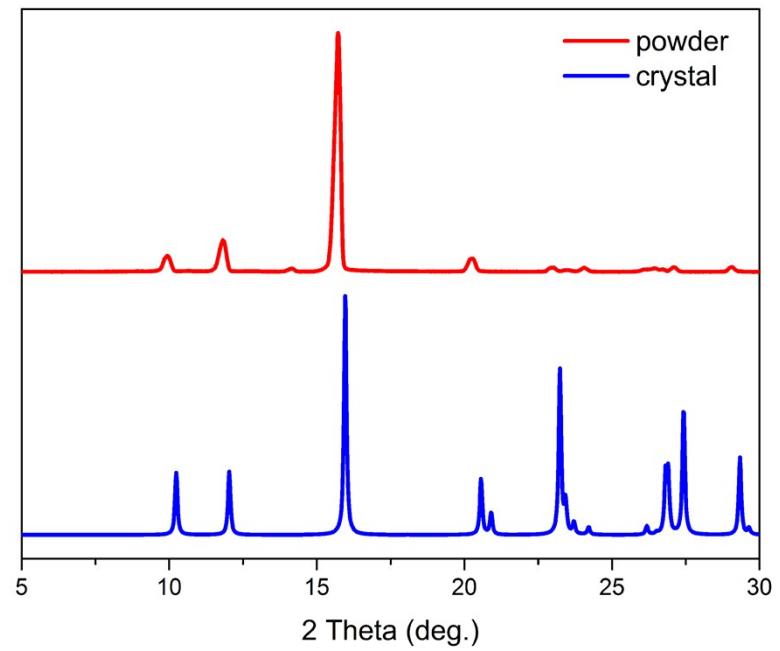


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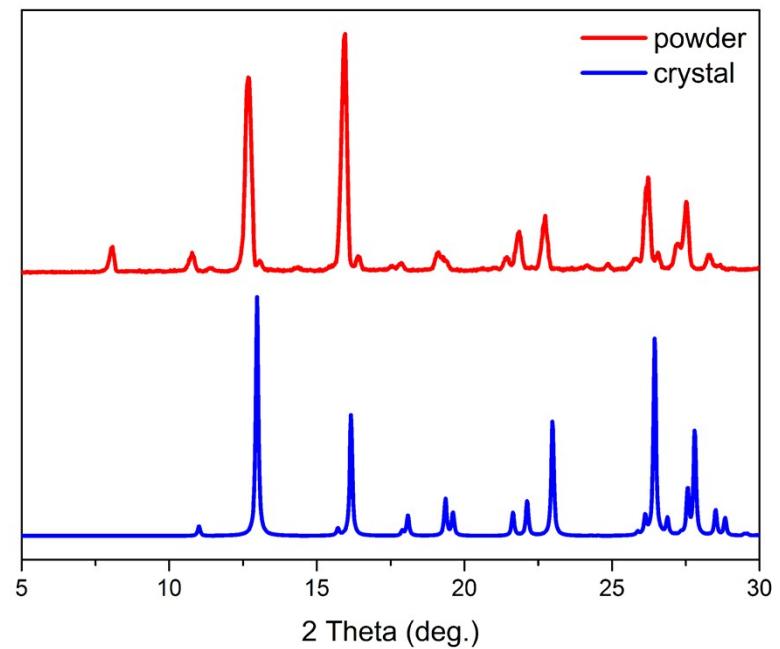


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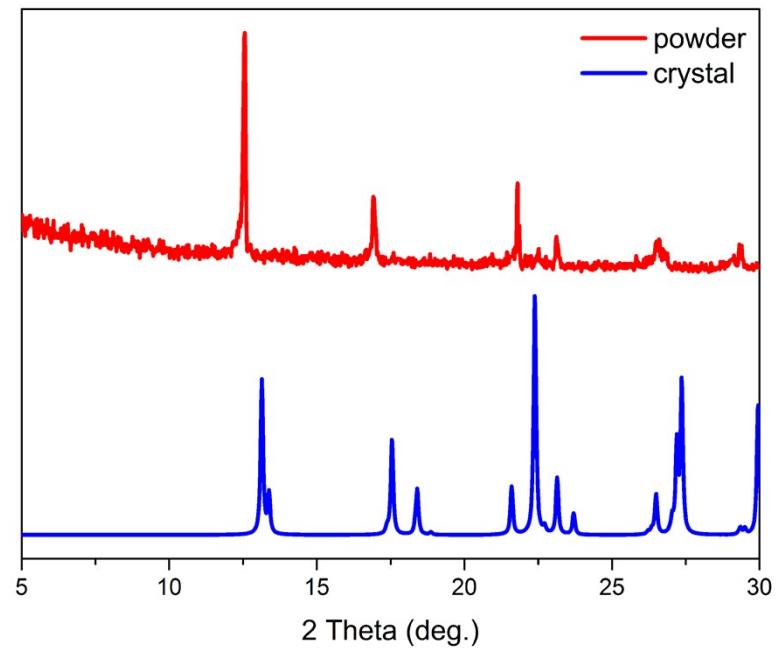


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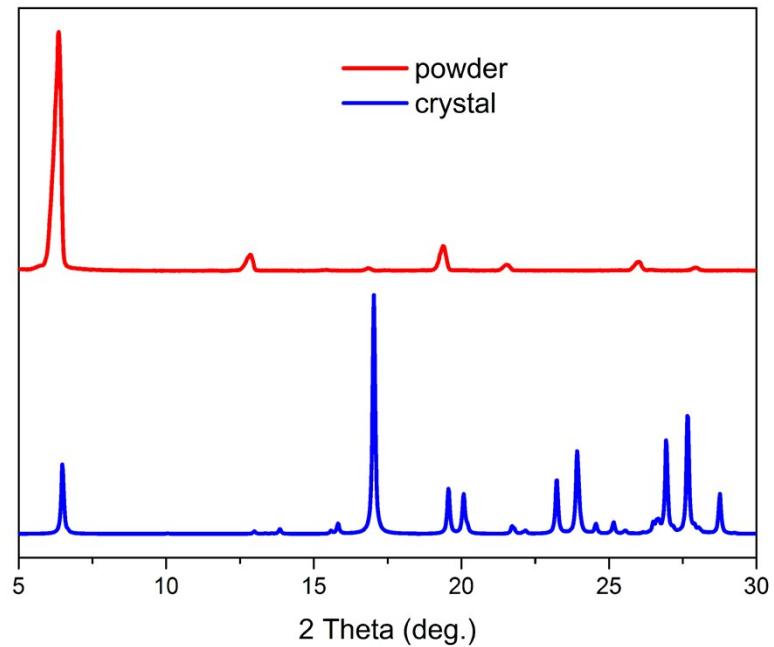


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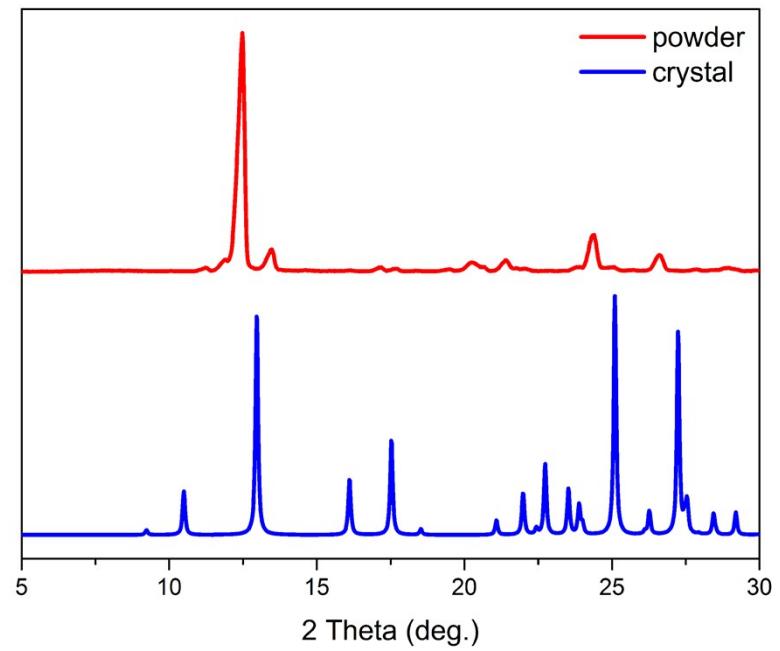


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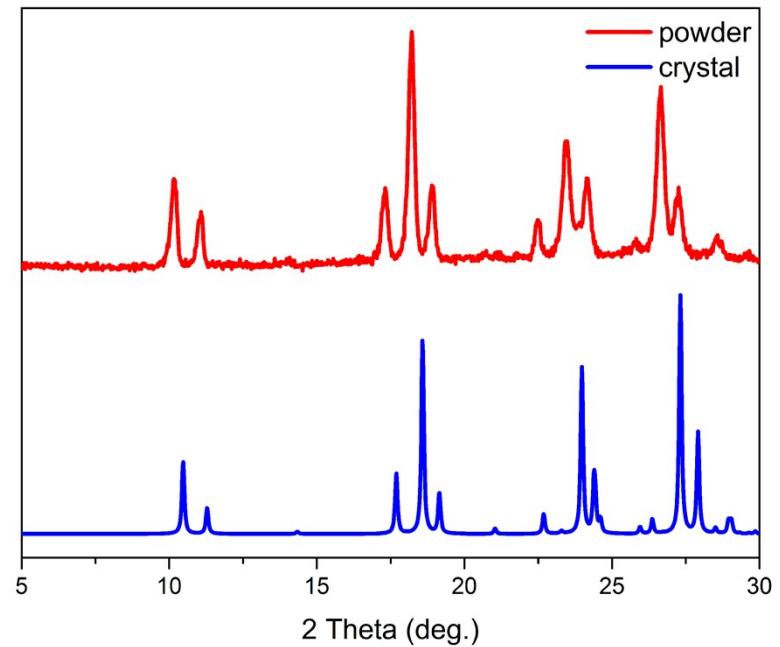


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Table S1 Bond length of these bi-1,3,4-oxadiazole derivatives.

Length (Å)	BOXD	BOXD- <i>m</i> -F	BOXD- <i>o</i> -F	BOXD- <i>o</i> -OCH3	BOXD- <i>p</i> -F	TBOXD
O1-C8	1.359	1.35	1.34	1.35	1.35	1.36
O1-C7	1.37	1.36	1.37	1.37	1.36	1.37
N1-C7	1.30	1.28	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29
N1-N2	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.41	1.40
N2-C8	1.28	1.27	1.27	1.28	1.28	1.29
C1-C2	1.37	1.36	1.38	1.38	1.36	1.36
C2-C3	1.38	1.37	1.38	1.38	1.38	1.42
C1-C6	1.38	1.38	1.38	1.38	1.36	1.36
C5-C6	1.38	1.38	1.37	1.39	1.38	1.37
C4-C5	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.40	1.39	1.40
C3-C4	1.39	1.38	1.39	1.40	1.38	1.38
C4-C7	1.45	1.46	1.46	1.45	1.45	1.44
C8-C8	1.44	1.45	1.46	1.45	1.44	1.43

Table S2 Bond angle of these bi-1,3,4-oxadiazole derivatives.

Angle (°)	BOXD	BOXD- <i>m</i> -F	BOXD- <i>o</i> -F	BOXD- <i>o</i> -OCH3	BOXD- <i>p</i> -F	TBOXD
C8-O1-C7	102.0	101.6	101.6	102.0	102.0	102.2
C7-N1-N2	106.5	106.1	106.6	106.6	106.3	106.6
C8-N2-N1	105.4	105.6	105.2	105.5	105.4	105.9
N1-C7-O1	112.1	112.6	111.9	111.7	112.3	111.7
N1-C7-C4	128.5	127.8	130.8	131.7	129.2	129.4
O1-C7-C4	119.2	119.4	117.2	116.4	118.3	118.8
N2-C8-O1	113.8	113.8	114.4	114.0	113.7	113.4
C1-C2-C3	120.6	123.4	119.8	119.1	118.2	118.6
C2-C1-C6	119.9	118.1	120.3	120.8	123.5	123.1
C1-C6-C5	120.2	120.6	119.2	120.6	118.1	118.2
C4-C5-C6	119.8	119.5	122.0	119.0	120.0	120.6
C3-C4-C5	119.6	120.7	117.8	118.8	119.7	119.3
C3-C4-C7	121.3	120.7	120.9	119.1	120.7	121.2
C5-C4-C7	119.0	118.5	121.4	121.9	119.4	119.4
C2-C3-C4	119.6	117.5	120.9	121.4	120.2	120.2
N2-C8-C8#1	128.1	128.0	128.0	128.0	128.2	128.5
O1-C8-C8#1	117.9	118.1	117.5	117.9	118.1	118.3

TableS3 The calculated result of these bi-1,3,4-oxadiazole derivatives..

Compound	No.	molecules	Total SAPT	Electrostatics	Exchange	Induction	Dispersion	Interaction	Distance (Å)
BOXD	1	A1A2	-15.06	-6.21	15.52	-1.67	-22.70	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.35
	2	A1B1	-2.27	-1.07	2.57	-0.34	-3.42	C-H- $\pi$	3.72
	3	A1A2	-16.91	-8.46	17.84	-1.48	-24.81	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.33
BOXD-1	4	A1B1	-7.01	-4.75	4.80	-1.06	-6.00	C-H-N,C-H-O,C-H- $\pi$	3.56,3.45,3.59
	5	A1B2	-1.74	-1.13	1.0	-0.23	-1.43	C-H-O	3.57
	6	A1A2	-13.01	-5.94	14.23	-1.51	-19.79	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.36
BOXD- <i>m</i> -F	7	A1B2	-5.51	-3.40	4.65	-0.76	-6.00	C-H-N	3.49
	8	A1B3	-1.65	-0.87	0.79	-0.18	-1.39	C-H-F	3.33
	9	A1B1	-2.89	-1.16	0.78	-0.22	-2.29	C-H-F	3.47
BOXD- <i>o</i> -F	10	A1A2	-11.50	-3.00	12.79	-1.55	-19.74	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.36
	11	A1C1	-3.54	-2.91	1.40	-0.38	-1.63	C-H-F	3.44
	12	A1B1	-4.28	-2.87	1.49	-0.59	-2.32	C-H-F	3.23
BOXD- <i>o</i> -OCH <sub>3</sub>	13	A1A2	-16.72	-5.76	18.95	-2.39	-27.52	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.52
	14	A1B1	-9.33	-8.06	4.19	-1.62	-3.83	C-H-N, C-H-O	3.45, 3.45
	15	A1A2	-16.94	-8.75	18.62	-1.96	-24.84	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.36
BOXD- <i>p</i> -F	16	B1B2	-16.62	-7.47	16.29	-1.84	-23.60	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.44
	17	A1C1	-1.45	-0.99	0.63	-0.13	-0.96	C-H-F	3.38
	18	A2B1	-9.92	-6.62	4.15	-1.43	-6.01	C-H-N	3.32, 3.41
TBOXD	19	A1A2	-15.93	-8.87	19.92	-2.26	-24.71	$\pi\text{-}\pi$	3.37
	20	A1B1	-8.32	-5.46	3.43	-1.29	-5.00	C-H-S, C-H-N	3.87, 3.36