

Supplementary information:  
Electronic structure of small polycyclic aromatic  
hydrocarbons in singlet excited states

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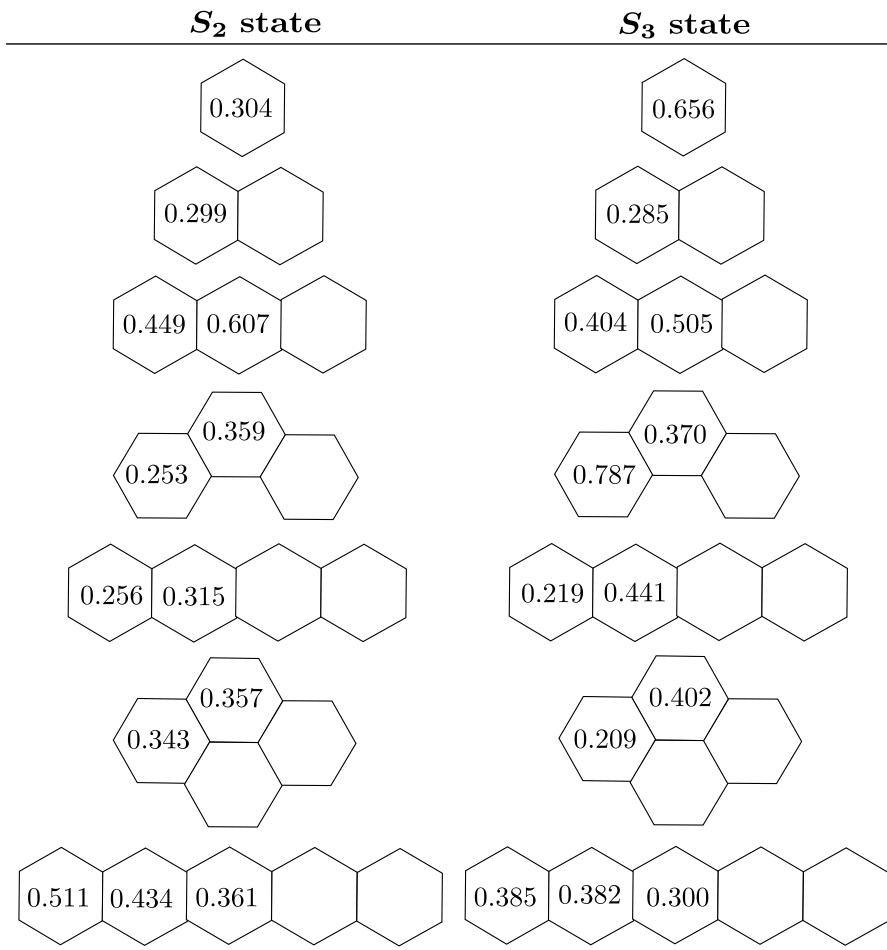


Figure S1. Aromaticity of PAHs in the  $S_2$  and  $S_3$  excited electronic states in terms of the  $\theta'$  index.

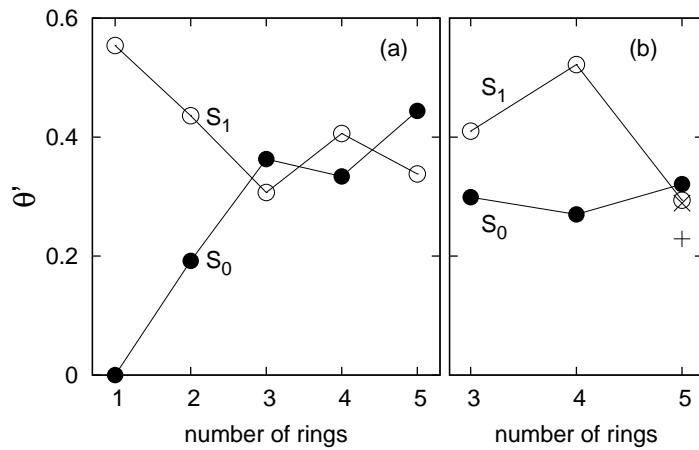


Figure S2. Aromaticity of the (a) external and (b) inner rings of acenes in the ground and first excited electronic states in terms of the  $\theta'$  index. The values for the central ring in pentacene are denoted by the + and  $\times$  symbols for the  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  states, respectively.

Table S1. Similarity indices of PAHs in the ground and excited states.

(a)  $S_0 \rightarrow S_1$

molecule	$D_{bcp}$	$D_\rho$	$D_\varepsilon$	$D_{lap}$	$D_\delta$	$D_H$
1	0.0569	0.0012	0.0479	0.0307	0.0860	0.0025
2	0.0542	0.0016	0.0441	0.0315	0.0643	0.0031
3	0.0613	0.0021	0.0499	0.0354	0.0579	0.0039
3b	0.0324	0.0008	0.0294	0.0215	0.0402	0.0013
4	0.0267	0.0010	0.0259	0.0190	0.0363	0.0020
4b	0.0404	0.0012	0.0315	0.0249	0.0435	0.0021
5	0.0487	0.0016	0.0395	0.0284	0.0500	0.0026

(b)  $S_0 \rightarrow S_2$

molecule	$D_{bcp}$	$D_\rho$	$D_\varepsilon$	$D_{lap}$	$D_\delta$	$D_H$
1	0.0410	0.0020	0.0340	0.0229	0.0388	0.0034
2	0.0711	0.0021	0.0576	0.0416	0.0778	0.0044
3	0.0424	0.0012	0.0347	0.0243	0.0472	0.0024
3b	0.0374	0.0022	0.0256	0.0364	0.0546	0.0012
4	0.0298	0.0013	0.0346	0.0250	0.0436	0.0026
4b	0.0380	0.0012	0.0309	0.0221	0.0376	0.0024
5	0.0320	0.0011	0.0247	0.0182	0.0513	0.0021

(b)  $S_0 \rightarrow S_2$

molecule	$D_{bcp}$	$D_\rho$	$D_\varepsilon$	$D_{lap}$	$D_\delta$	$D_H$
1	0.0769	0.0017	0.0627	0.0438	0.1069	0.0037
2	0.0747	0.0032	0.0489	0.0520	0.0727	0.0042
3	0.0665	0.0020	0.0538	0.0391	0.0677	0.0039
3b	0.0506	0.0028	0.0288	0.0446	0.1333	0.0018
4	0.0286	0.0015	0.0392	0.0285	0.0522	0.0030
4b	0.0506	0.0022	0.0389	0.0312	0.0417	0.0037
5	0.0502	0.0016	0.0408	0.0291	0.0509	0.0027