## **Supporting Information**

Development of Emissive Aminopentaazaphenalene Derivatives Employing Design Strategy for Obtaining Luminescent Conjugated Molecules by Modulating Symmetry of Molecule Orbitals with the Substituent Effect

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### 1. General

<sup>1</sup>H (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C (100 MHz) NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL JNM-EX400 or JNM-AL400 spectrometers. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C spectra were recorded by using tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a Thermo Fisher EXACTIVE for electron spray ionization (ESI). UV-vis absorption spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV-3600 spectrophotometer. Fluorescence spectra were recorded on a HORIBA JOBIN YVON Fluoromax-4P spectrofluorometer. The absolute quantum yield was calculated by the integrating sphere method on the HORIBA JOBIN YVON Fluoromax-4 spectrofluorometer. The wavelength dependency of the detection sensitivity was corrected by the built-in program of Fluoromax-4. PL lifetime measurement was performed on a HORIBA FluoroCube spectrofluorometer system; excitation was carried out using a UV diode laser (NanoLED 375nm). The time resolution is ensured as  $1.38 \times 10^{-11}$  s. The lifetimes are described in 0.01 ns order. Cyclic voltammetry (CV) was carried out on a BAS ALS-Electrochemical-Analyzer Model 600D with a glassy carbon working electrode, a Pt counter electrode, an Ag/Ag<sup>+</sup> reference electrode, and the ferrocene/ferrocenium external reference at a scan rate of 0.05 Vs<sup>-1</sup>. All reactions were performed under argon atmosphere. X-ray crystallographic analysis was carried out by Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID-F graphitemonochromated Mo Ka radiation diffractometer with an imaging plate. The analysis was carried out with direct methods (SHELXL-2014<sup>1</sup>) using Yadokari-XG<sup>2</sup>. Details of the structure refinement are described in the CIF file. The program ORTEP3<sup>3</sup> was used to generate the X-ray structural image.

### 2. Materials

Reagents (methyl *N*-cyanoacetimidate, 2,6-diaminopyridine, trichloroacetyl chloride, didodecylamine, *N*-bromosuccinimide, tris(dibenzylideneacetone)dipalladium(0) (Pd<sub>2</sub>(dba)<sub>3</sub>), 2-dicyclohexylphosphino-2',6'-dimethoxybiphenyl (SPhos), and cesium carbonate) and

solvents (dehydrated pyridine, chloroform, dichloromethane, and toluene) were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. Glyme (1,2-dimethoxyethane) was purchased from commercial source and degassed by Ar bubbling before use. Water for the Suzuki–Miyaura cross coupling reactions was degassed by Ar bubbling before use.

#### **3. Synthetic Procedures**

### • *N*-Cyano-*N*'-(6-amino-2-pyridyl)acetamidine (1)

This compound was synthesized according to the literatures.<sup>4,5</sup> <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , ppm): 10.62 (s, 1H, NH), 7.45 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.27 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.33 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Ar), 5.96 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 2.47 (s, 3H, Me). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , ppm): 170.7, 158.6, 148.8, 138.9, 116.5, 105.1, 103.0, 21.6. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>5</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 176.0932, found 176.0931.

• 2-Methyl-5-trichloromethyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (2)

To a stirred cold slurry (0 °C) of **1** (10.0 g, 57 mmol) and dehydrated pyridine (5 mL, 57 mmol) in 100 mL of degassed glyme was slowly added trichloromethyl chloride (25 g, 140 mmol). Then the reaction mixture was refluxed for 4 h. (Gaseous HCl was evolved and trapped by saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aq.) The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched by the slow addition of MeOH (20 mL) and saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aq. (ca. 100 mL, gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> was evolved). The mixture was extracted with  $3 \times 100$  mL of CHCl<sub>3</sub> and the combined organic layers were washed with water ( $3 \times 100$  mL) and brine ( $1 \times 100$ mL). Then the organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the solvent was removed by a rotary evaporator. Recrystallization from CHCl<sub>3</sub> / MeOH (70 °C) gave **2** as a purple crystalline solid (9.62 g, 32 mmol, 56%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): 7.38 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, 5AP), 6.32 (dd, J = 8.4 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, 5AP), 6.25 (dd, J = 8.4 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, 5AP), 2.08 (s, 3H, Me) <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 179.1, 172.9, 162.5, 155.8, 154.7, 147.0, 114.4, 112.9, 95.0, 25.9. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 301.9762, found 301.9759.

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### • 2-Didodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (3)

The chloroform (50 mL) solution of **2** (2.67 g, 8.82 mmol) and didodecylamine (12.6 g, 35.6 mmol) was refluxed for 36 h. After cooling to room temperature, the solvent was removed by a rotary evaporator. The residual solid was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: CHCl<sub>3</sub> / EtOAc (v/v) = 8:1, then 20:1). After removal of the solvent, the product was obtained as a yellow solid (0.536 g, 1.0 mmol, 11%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.20 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5AP), 6.00 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5AP), 5.89 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5AP), 3.4–3.5 (m, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H, NC*H*<sub>2</sub>), 2.04 (s, 3H, 5AP-C*H*<sub>3</sub>), 1.0–1.4 (br, 40H, alkyl), 0.88 (br m, 6H, methyl in dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 174.5, 161.0, 157.7, 155.2, 153.0, 144.1, 109.7, 104.9, 47.7, 47.6, 32.3, 30.06, 30.04, 30.01, 29.95, 29.92, 29.75, 29.69, 28.7, 28.2, 27.3, 27.2, 26.0, 23.1, 14.3. Some peaks of two nonequivalent (due to the planarity around amino group) dodecyl groups were overlapped (in all A5AP derivatives). HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>56</sub>N<sub>6</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 537.4639, found 537.4635.

### • 7,9-Dibromo-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (4)

A dichloromethane (10 mL) solution of **3** (0.528 g, 0.984 mmol) and *N*-bromosuccinimide (0.357 g, 2.00 mmol) was stirred at room temperature for 46 h. Then the solvent was removed by a rotary evaporator. The crude material was dissolved in *n*-hexane, and the mixture was filtrated. After condensation, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: CHCl<sub>3</sub>). The solvent was evaporated, and the *n*-hexane solution of the product was slowly evaporated to give the product as a red solid (0.617 g, 0.89 mmol, 91%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.83 (s, 1H, 5AP), 3.4–3.6 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.16 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.5–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.1–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.87 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 175.8, 160.7, 157.4, 151.2, 149.3, 148.8, 101.0, 95.6, 48.5, 48.2, 32.4, 30.08, 30.02, 30.01, 29.88, 29.77, 29.72, 28.6, 28.3, 27.4, 27.3, 26.3, 23.1, 14.3. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for  $C_{33}H_{54}Br_2N_6+H [M+H]^+$  693.2849, found 693.2848.

•General procedure of the Suzuki-Miyaura cross coupling reaction (5a-5f)

To a toluene (1 mL) solution of **4** (0.10 mmol), arylboronic acid pinacol ester (0.21 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (5  $\mu$ mol), SPhos (20  $\mu$ mol) and cesium carbonate (1.0 mmol) (an accurate amount of the reagents is described below) was added degassed water (1 mL). The mixture was stirred at 85 °C for 2 d. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and diluted by CHCl<sub>3</sub> (50 mL). The organic phase was washed by H<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 30 mL) and brine (1 × 30 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the solvent was removed by a rotary evaporator. The crude material (**5a**, **5b**, **5d**) was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: CHCl<sub>3</sub>) and then the solvent was evaporated to give the products. The crude material (**5c**, **5e**, **5f**) was purified by reprecipitation into 50 mL of methanol. An accurate amount of the reagents and the reaction time is described below for each compound.

# •7,9-Bis((4-trifluotromethyl)phenyl)-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (5a)

From **4** (69.52 mg, 0.10 mmol), (4-trifluoromethyl)phenylboronic acid pinacol ester (55.00 mg, 0.20 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (5.27 mg, 0.0058 mmol), SPhos (8.20 mg, 0.020 mmol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (394 mg, 1.2 mmol), the product was obtained as a red oil (0.051 g, 0.062 mmol, 62% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.66–7.73 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.60–7.65 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.55 (s, 1H, 5AP), 3.2–3.6 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.10 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.4–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.0–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.87 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 175.0, 160.5, 158.2, 152.6, 150.6, 144.9, 140.6, 140.5, 129.7, 129.0–130.0 (q,  $J_{C-F} = 32.1$  Hz), 129.5, 128.8–129.8 (q,  $J_{C-F} = 32$  Hz), 120.5–129.0 (two q peaks,  $J_{C-F} = 272.1$  Hz), 126.0, 125.3 (q,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 125.1 (q,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 123.4, 120.7, 119.3, 115.3, 48.4, 48.0, 32.3, 30.1, 30.04, 30.01, 29.99, 29.96, 29.93, 29.90, 29.83, 29.75, 28.68, 28.5, 27.4, 27.3, 26.1, 23.1, 14.3. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>47</sub>H<sub>62</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>6</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 825.5013, found 825.5001.

•7,9-Diphenyl-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (5b)

From **4** (69.06 mg, 0.10 mmol), phenylboronic acid pinacol ester (42.16 mg, 0.21 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (4.67 mg, 0.0051 mmol), SPhos (8.69 mg, 0.021 mmol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (338 mg, 1.0 mmol), the product was obtained as a red oil after reaction for 34 h (0.033 g, 0.047 mmol, 47% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.46–7.60 (m, 5H, Ar and 5AP), 7.32–7.40 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.24–7.32 (m, 2H, Ar), 3.2–3.6 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.07 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.4–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.0–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.87 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 174.1, 160.6, 158.6, 152.3, 149.8, 145.2, 137.0, 136.9, 129.4, 129.,1, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 127.5, 121.0, 117.0, 48.2, 47.8, 32.4, 32.3, 30.1, 30.04, 30.03, 29.99, 29.92, 29.84, 29.76, 28.74, 28.60, 27.38, 27.33, 26.03, 23.10, 14.27. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for  $C_{45}H_{64}N_6+H [M+H]^+$  689.5265, found 689.5258.

# •7,9-Bis(9,9-dimethylfluoren-2-yl)-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (5c)

From **4** (69.59 mg, 0.10 mmol), 9,9-dimethylfluorene-2-boronic acid pinacol ester (67.67 mg, 0.21 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (4.85 mg, 0.0053 mmol), SPhos (9.61 mg, 0.023 mmol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (388 mg, 1.2 mmol), the product was obtained as a red powder after reaction for 24 h in 40% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.2–7.8 (m, 15H, Ar and 5AP), 3.3–3.6 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.10 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.4–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.51 (two singlet peaks, 12H, methyl groups of fluorene), 1.0–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.89 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 174.1, 171.7, 160.8, 158.7, 154.46, 154.39, 153.81, 153.77, 152.4, 149.7, 145.2, 145.1, 139.30, 139.28, 138.85, 138.64, 136.14, 135.9, 128.3, 127.7, 127.4, 124.0, 123.9, 123.4, 123.3, 123.04, 123.02, 121.7, 120.4, 119.8, 119.6, 117.4, 47.7, 47.6, 47.34, 43.26, 32.35, 30.08, 30.06, 30.02, 29.94, 29.85, 29.77, 28.69, 28.55, 27.48, 27.37, 27.32, 26.1, 23.1, 14.3. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>63</sub>H<sub>80</sub>N<sub>6</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 921.6517, found 921.6503.

•7,9-Di(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (5d)

From **4** (69.33 mg, 0.10 mmol), 4-methoxyphenylboronic acid pinacol ester (47.90 mg, 0.20 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (4.53 mg, 0.0049 mmol), SPhos (8.31 mg, 0.020 mmol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (400 mg, 1.2 mmol), the product was obtained as a red oil after reaction for 34 h (0.035 g, 0.046 mmol, 46% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.43–7.51 (m, 5H, Ar and 5AP), 6.87–6.91 (m, 4H, Ar), 3.81 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.2–3.6 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.05 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.4–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.0–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.87 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 173.7, 160.7, 159.4, 159.3, 158.7, 152.1, 149.3, 144.6, 130.6, 130.3, 129.3, 120.8, 116.8, 113.8, 113.6, 55.7, 55.6, 48.1, 47.8, 32.4, 30.14, 30.11, 30.08, 30.06, 30.04, 29.94, 29.91, 29.79, 29.77, 28.8, 28.6, 27.5, 27.3, 26.0, 23.1, 14.3. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for  $C_{47}H_{68}N_6O_2$ +H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 749.5477, found 749.5468.

•7,9-Bis((4-N,N-diphenylamino)phenyl)-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-

pentaazaphenalene (5e)

From **4** (64.66 mg, 93  $\mu$ mol), 4-(*N*, *N*-diphenylamino)phenylboronic acid pinacol ester (79.51 mg, 0.21 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (5.18 mg, 5.7  $\mu$ mol), SPhos (8.53 mg, 21  $\mu$ mol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (349 mg, 1.1 mmol), the product was obtained as a red powder after reaction for 22 h in 91% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 7.56 (s, 1H, 5AP), 7.4–7.5 (dd, *J* = 15 Hz, 8.8 Hz, 4H, Ar), 7.2–7.4 (m, 9H, Ar), 7.0–7.2 (m, 14H, Ar), 3.3–3.5 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.09 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.4–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.0–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.87 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 173.8, 160.6, 158.7, 152.0, 149.2, 148.1, 147.4, 147.3, 144.4, 130.8, 130.1, 19.8, 129.7, 125.0, 124.8, 123.4, 123.2, 123.1, 120.7, 116.6, 111.9, 111.5, 103.3, 102.8, 48.2, 47.8, 32.4, 30.08, 30.06, 30.04, 29.95, 29.78, 29.77, 28.8, 28.7, 27.40, 27.35, 26.0, 23.1, 14.3. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>69</sub>H<sub>82</sub>N<sub>8</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 1023.6735, found 1023.6717.

•7,9-Bis(2,2'-bithiophen-5-yl)-2-dodecylamino-5-methyl-1,3,4,6,9b-pentaazaphenalene (5f)

From 4 (69.93 mg, 0.10 mmol), 2,2'-bithiophene-5-boronic acid pinacol ester (65 mg, 0.22 mmol), Pd<sub>2</sub>dba<sub>3</sub> (4.87 mg, 5.3  $\mu$ mol), SPhos (8.68 mg, 21  $\mu$ mol) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (332 mg, 1.0 mmol), the product was obtained as a dark red powder after reaction for 18 h in 71% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 8.13 (s, 1H, 5AP), 7.32 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.31 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.12 (d, 4.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.08 (d, 4.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.03 (dd, 3.5 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.01 (dd, 3.5 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.08 ithiophenes may be inequivalent because of the didodecylamino group. Therefore, <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of bithiophene rings was complicated. 3.45–3.55 (m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>-), 2.17 (s, 3H, 5AP-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.5–1.7 (br m, 4H, NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-), 1.0–1.4 (br, 36H, alkyl), 0.87 (br m, 6H, methyl groups of dodecyl groups). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, ppm): 173.7, 160.2, 157.4, 138.3, 138.12, 138.09, 138.04, 135.98, 135.92, 135.55, 128.2, 124.60, 124.43, 124.16, 124.06, 123.7, 123.6, 123.3, 123.1, 113.6, 110.6, 48.8, 48.4, 32.4, 30.13, 30.07, 30.05, 30.04, 29.96, 29.8, 28.7, 28.6, 27.7, 27.5, 25.8, 23.1, 14.3. HRMS (p-ESI) calcd. for C<sub>49</sub>H<sub>64</sub>N<sub>6</sub>S<sub>4</sub>+H [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 845.4148, found 865.4135.



### 4. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the compounds

Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 1.



Figure S4. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 2.



Figure S6. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 3.



Figure S8. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 4.



Figure S10. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 5a.



Figure S12. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 5b.



Figure S14. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 5c.



Figure S16. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 5d.



Figure S18. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 5e.



#### 5. Supplementary Data

# 5-1. Theoretical consideration for optical properties of 5AP and A5AP based on the point group theory

In this theoretical consideration, we only consider the electronic transition (vibronic coupling and other high-order perturbation terms were omitted).

π-Conjugated system of 5AP belongs to the  $D_{3h}$  symmetry. The character table of  $D_{3h}$  symmetry is shown in Table S1.<sup>3</sup> As shown in the following Figure S21, HOMO and LUMO are assigned to  $A_1^{"}$  and  $A_2^{"}$ , respectively. The direct product  $A_1^{"} \times A_2^{"}$  equals to  $A_2^{'}$ . x, y, or z first-order basis do not have  $A_2^{'}$  symmetry. Therefore, all components in electronic transition dipole moment are zero because all components are odd functions and will be zero when they are integrated all over the space. As a result, HOMO–LUMO transition of 5AP is symmetry-forbidden.

Next, the same discussion is applied to A5AP. A5AP's  $\pi$ -conjugated system belongs to  $C_{2v}$  symmetry. The character table of  $C_{2v}$  symmetry is shown in Table S2.<sup>6</sup> As shown in the following Figure S22, HOMO and LUMO are assigned to  $A_2^{"}$  and  $B_1^{"}$ , respectively. The direct product  $A_2^{"} \times B_1^{"}$  equals to  $B_2^{"}$ . *y* basis have  $B_2^{"}$ symmetry. Therefore, *y* component of electronic transition dipole moment is non-zero because the *y* component is an even function. As a result, HOMO–LUMO transition of A5AP is symmetry-allowed.



**Table S1**. Character table of  $D_{3h}$  point group



**Table S2**. Character table of  $C_{2v}$  point group

Figure S22. Characters and irreducible representation for HOMO and LUMO of A5AP.

### 5-2. Results of DFT calculations

All DFT calculations were performed using Gaussian 09 package.<sup>7</sup> In DFT calculations, dodecyl groups were replaced by methyl groups for simplicity of calculation. Optimization was carried out at B3LYP/6–31G(d) level of theory. The absence of imaginary frequency was confirmed at the same level of calculation. Time-dependent (TD)-DFT calculations were performed at B3LYP/6–31+G(d) level of theory. We estimated the absorption spectra by TD-DFT single point calculations and the emission spectra by TD-DFT optimization calculations, respectively.

The following tables show the Cartesian coordinates (Table S3–10) of the optimized ground-state structure and the results of TD-DFT calculation in comparison with experimental values (Table S11) for 5AP, A5AP and arylated A5AP derivatives. MO patterns of HOMOs and LUMOs at optimized ground-state structure are shown in Figure S23–30.

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)			
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Ζ	
1	6	0	-1.210835	2.411899	-0.000132	
2	6	0	-1.229504	1.012534	0.000066	
3	7	0	0.000006	0.340257	0.000064	
4	6	0	1.229500	1.012518	0.000167	
5	6	0	1.210855	2.411895	0.000111	
6	6	0	0.000018	3.094327	-0.000071	
7	7	0	-2.386010	0.315207	0.000099	
8	6	0	-2.292416	-1.010562	-0.000171	
9	7	0	-1.158915	-1.734983	-0.000474	
10	6	0	0.000000	-1.079263	-0.000097	
11	7	0	1.158913	-1.734979	0.000076	
12	6	0	2.292420	-1.010556	0.000001	
13	7	0	2.386018	0.315209	-0.000039	
14	6	0	-3.573001	-1.794426	0.000198	
15	6	0	3.572959	-1.794469	0.000053	
16	1	0	-2.168468	2.916472	-0.000310	
17	1	0	2.168504	2.916438	0.000139	
18	1	0	0.000015	4.180759	-0.000167	
19	1	0	-3.606631	-2.448791	-0.878055	
20	1	0	-3.607328	-2.446351	0.880306	
21	1	0	-4.434889	-1.125808	-0.000819	
22	1	0	3.606973	-2.447594	-0.879147	
23	1	0	4.434904	-1.125910	-0.000016	
24	1	0	3.606860	-2.447579	0.879250	

Table S3. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized 5AP structure

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)			
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Z	
1	1	0	0.563076	3.545418	0.000016	
2	1	0	-1.879387	4.085018	0.000007	
3	1	0	-3.307920	-3.323940	-0.879293	
4	1	0	-3.308400	-3.323445	0.879781	
5	1	0	-4.495862	-2.314396	-0.000336	
6	1	0	4.876711	0.422216	0.889065	
7	1	0	4.876620	0.422292	-0.889149	
8	1	0	3.781514	1.517255	0.000060	
9	1	0	4.286411	-2.053992	0.889164	
10	1	0	2.814126	-2.537704	0.000032	
11	1	0	4.286326	-2.054000	-0.889240	
12	1	0	-3.566587	2.222753	-0.000012	
13	6	0	3.670037	-1.866846	-0.000009	
14	6	0	4.241793	0.532030	-0.000004	
15	7	0	3.204779	-0.487694	0.000012	
16	6	0	-3.471900	-2.690948	0.000017	
17	7	0	1.560019	1.134595	0.000007	
18	6	0	1.884791	-0.171079	0.000007	
19	7	0	1.011049	-1.203683	0.000004	
20	6	0	-0.282482	-0.925142	-0.000002	
21	7	0	-1.190023	-1.902578	-0.000009	
22	6	0	-2.488513	-1.554350	-0.000018	
23	7	0	-2.982233	-0.320727	-0.000021	
24	6	0	-1.549974	3.049430	0.000004	
25	6	0	-0.192700	2.770302	0.000009	
26	6	0	0.259778	1.438419	0.000005	
27	7	0	-0.715310	0.427959	-0.000002	
28	6	0	-2.093493	0.696641	-0.000009	
29	6	0	-2.501437	2.031110	-0.000006	

Table S4. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized A5AP structure

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordi	nates (Angstro	oms)
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Ζ
1	6	0	1.451804	-0.008168	-0.134327
2	6	0	1.376726	1.400709	-0.106631
3	7	0	0.112999	2.008587	-0.113710
4	6	0	-1.095766	1.302438	-0.159831
5	6	0	-1.022904	-0.118768	-0.190026
6	6	0	0.238606	-0.710409	-0.147767
7	7	0	2.484899	2.159218	-0.056061
8	6	0	2.342469	3.479792	-0.011497
9	7	0	1.178964	4.144355	-0.015511
10	6	0	0.051348	3.433136	-0.069330
11	7	0	-1.117700	4.047010	-0.084348
12	6	0	-2.236924	3.292315	-0.135037
13	7	0	-2.262465	1.945667	-0.159425
14	6	0	3.588464	4.315445	0.049513
15	6	0	2.727313	-0.726449	-0.127035
16	6	0	-2.217625	-0.961282	-0.260125
17	6	0	2.896265	-2.090446	-0.291045
18	6	0	4.235422	-2.529220	-0.188908
19	6	0	5.127362	-1.505260	0.051631
20	16	0	4.293850	0.036344	0.125629
21	6	0	-2.260500	-2.278325	-0.678860
22	6	0	-3.525429	-2.894373	-0.533801
23	6	0	-4.484201	-2.057086	-0.003297
24	16	0	-3.811826	-0.463563	0.285769
25	6	0	-5.879722	-2.331552	0.272958
26	6	0	6.565538	-1.574764	0.210367
27	16	0	7.473960	-2.960567	-0.377547
28	6	0	8.972093	-2.286802	0.182656
29	6	0	8.786113	-1.065959	0.770637
30	6	0	7.421354	-0.660740	0.788471
31	16	0	-6.715018	-3.657559	-0.522427
32	6	0	-8.190336	-3.307430	0.321492
33	6	0	-8.052694	-2.227905	1.150113
34	6	0	-6.741494	-1.673545	1.125036
35	7	0	-3.419067	3.950910	-0.167761

Table S5. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized BT structure

36	6	0	-3.494024	5.404025	-0.089526
37	6	0	-4.695421	3.253945	-0.231680
38	1	0	0.277105	-1.791161	-0.100114
39	1	0	3.606552	5.015707	-0.792898
40	1	0	3.584201	4.920118	0.963538
41	1	0	4.479350	3.686450	0.027176
42	1	0	2.077711	-2.774826	-0.482541
43	1	0	4.530784	-3.569775	-0.275543
44	1	0	-1.401210	-2.794615	-1.092191
45	1	0	-3.722494	-3.926434	-0.804415
46	1	0	9.895268	-2.832983	0.043311
47	1	0	9.594348	-0.475173	1.188197
48	1	0	7.074459	0.265705	1.233609
49	1	0	-9.066007	-3.920096	0.154578
50	1	0	-8.856407	-1.844459	1.769434
51	1	0	-6.432213	-0.831612	1.735285
52	1	0	-4.007693	5.797581	-0.975674
53	1	0	-4.065797	5.700494	0.799503
54	1	0	-2.489844	5.817380	-0.033709
55	1	0	-5.311590	3.702226	-1.020138
56	1	0	-4.534967	2.200890	-0.448447
57	1	0	-5.233449	3.349938	0.721088

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Z
1	1	0	-2.653977	7.215961	-0.033249
2	1	0	-4.167650	7.138721	0.912617
3	1	0	-4.232364	7.118217	-0.864589
4	1	0	-4.632613	3.548226	0.140376
5	1	0	-5.408192	4.822532	-0.840759
6	1	0	-5.407193	4.948548	0.932438
7	1	0	-5.999987	-0.799062	2.343747
8	1	0	-6.853639	-1.682332	4.489460
9	1	0	-7.583379	-4.057591	4.669027
10	1	0	-7.429092	-5.537235	2.670662
11	1	0	-6.545107	-4.659809	0.534834
12	1	0	-4.497892	-2.839823	-2.221702
13	1	0	-5.594880	-3.455393	-4.350972
14	1	0	-8.080152	-3.520566	-4.510178
15	1	0	-9.448365	-2.944546	-2.509569
16	1	0	-8.348268	-2.298496	-0.390774
17	1	0	5.205070	-2.174142	2.359124
18	1	0	6.440076	-2.520036	4.473536
19	1	0	8.923288	-2.325133	4.523840
20	1	0	10.147209	-1.763350	2.427833
21	1	0	8.906628	-1.387393	0.322202
22	1	0	6.313993	-0.305668	-2.384367
23	1	0	7.180210	-1.224755	-4.509558
24	1	0	8.156890	-3.515767	-4.582400
25	1	0	8.236753	-4.876285	-2.496837
26	1	0	7.338941	-3.966994	-0.379807
27	1	0	-1.575704	-0.858910	1.560335
28	1	0	-3.507683	-2.376743	1.567948
29	1	0	-5.384987	0.006997	-1.475948
30	1	0	-3.437695	1.507349	-1.503021
31	1	0	3.669773	1.981527	1.376984
32	1	0	5.756228	0.684424	1.377612
33	1	0	4.031279	-2.098694	-1.405587
34	1	0	1.956444	-0.787460	-1.426006
35	1	0	4.342185	5.147279	-0.207995

Table S6. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized  $NPh_2$  structure

<ul><li>37</li><li>38</li><li>39</li><li>40</li></ul>	1 1 6 6	0 0 0	3.416083 0.191001	6.401926 -0 372384	-1.085722
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39 40	6 6	0		0.372301	0.03190/
10	6	0	-3.653226	6.788577	0.008153
40		0	-4.822161	4.616579	0.065164
41	7	0	-3.558542	5.336168	0.021610
42	6	0	-6.306710	-1.837393	2.420182
43	6	0	-6.788405	-2.340745	3.627055
44	6	0	-7.201740	-3.670800	3.728433
45	6	0	-7.118317	-4.497653	2.606196
46	6	0	-6.620533	-4.008694	1.399883
47	6	0	-5.581014	-2.856164	-2.290265
48	6	0	-6.204620	-3.202148	-3.487523
49	6	0	-7.597618	-3.243203	-3.577333
50	6	0	-8.363038	-2.923895	-2.453709
51	6	0	-7.748701	-2.558694	-1.257347
52	6	0	6.285972	-2.077982	2.379193
53	6	0	6.987179	-2.271529	3.567741
54	6	0	8.379441	-2.166691	3.596941
55	6	0	9.064187	-1.855716	2.420220
56	6	0	8.370362	-1.642426	1.230655
57	6	0	6.727901	-1.308564	-2.413669
58	6	0	7.217647	-1.831871	-3.608709
59	6	0	7.769409	-3.114087	-3.650441
60	6	0	7.817135	-3.873694	-2.479544
61	6	0	7.312498	-3.366620	-1.283613
62	6	0	-6.348074	-2.525261	-1.161498
63	6	0	-6.212927	-2.669090	1.292322
64	6	0	6.765437	-2.073959	-1.236594
65	6	0	6.970955	-1.755743	1.196212
66	7	0	6.258208	-1.548655	-0.016546
67	7	0	-5.715958	-2.162596	0.059905
68	6	0	-2.401001	-0.667530	0.879520
69	6	0	-3.495059	-1.527342	0.892588
70	6	0	-4.590555	-1.298114	0.046176
71	6	0	-4.547228	-0.187243	-0.813728
72	6	0	-3.444102	0.658192	-0.829583
73	6	0	3.736269	1.084583	0.773435

74	6	0	4.919459	0.355445	0.769723
75	6	0	5.048397	-0.805259	-0.011106
76	6	0	3.953700	-1.207534	-0.791032
77	6	0	2.777998	-0.463684	-0.792384
78	6	0	2.635161	0.695107	-0.009484
79	6	0	-2.342949	0.440389	0.017261
80	6	0	3.446400	5.769845	-0.191170
81	7	0	-2.382960	3.349109	-0.028502
82	6	0	-2.364749	4.691933	-0.021215
83	7	0	-1.255267	5.460764	-0.055154
84	6	0	-0.079761	4.854653	-0.075024
85	7	0	1.040049	5.576793	-0.119410
86	6	0	2.209482	4.918688	-0.126201
87	7	0	2.373656	3.603160	-0.077892
88	6	0	0.135890	0.711682	0.007760
89	6	0	-1.128486	1.292267	-0.017798
90	6	0	-1.211368	2.709972	-0.039329
91	7	0	-0.004514	3.429921	-0.049054
92	6	0	1.268625	2.829670	-0.034381
93	6	0	1.341981	1.423267	0.002582

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Z
1	6	0	-1.531180	-0.097891	0.067677
2	6	0	-1.295413	1.290416	0.045635
3	7	0	0.038635	1.739467	0.031439
4	6	0	1.153814	0.884819	0.047490
5	6	0	0.907882	-0.512837	0.088541
6	6	0	-0.414971	-0.943619	0.091223
7	6	0	2.529047	2.716026	-0.065756
8	7	0	2.391983	1.382552	0.002812
9	6	0	-3.115980	4.468089	0.094788
10	6	0	-2.899464	-0.672677	0.107682
11	6	0	-4.422235	-2.377477	0.965860
12	6	0	3.142293	-1.374516	0.922074
13	6	0	4.137865	-2.339642	0.938262
14	6	0	4.048084	-3.468137	0.108808
15	6	0	1.947122	-2.631282	-0.739109
16	6	0	4.959932	2.351798	-0.169719
17	7	0	-2.303541	2.188924	0.059232
18	6	0	-1.986930	3.476614	0.055331
19	7	0	-0.749057	3.994288	0.016286
20	1	0	4.998466	-2.246882	1.593752
21	6	0	0.278982	3.145838	-0.004722
22	7	0	1.516543	3.609633	-0.059026
23	1	0	-0.594069	-2.014266	0.113083
24	6	0	-5.207703	-0.791996	-0.680925
25	6	0	2.017879	-1.498489	0.082059
26	6	0	-3.171762	-1.775472	0.940390
27	6	0	-5.453415	-1.889963	0.151821
28	6	0	-3.945817	-0.196874	-0.694977
29	8	0	5.082553	-4.354778	0.198600
30	6	0	2.942542	-3.611798	-0.734943
31	7	0	3.789069	3.214892	-0.146732
32	6	0	4.050636	4.645560	-0.199572
33	6	0	5.038661	-5.519353	-0.609644
34	1	0	4.646665	1.310527	-0.197591
35	1	0	2.847943	-4.466248	-1.395368

Table S7. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized OMe structure

36	1	0	-3.076210	5.114121	-0.789676	
37	1	0	3.228143	-0.511648	1.572180	
38	1	0	-3.775191	0.655946	-1.340758	
39	1	0	-4.077885	3.954814	0.135996	
40	1	0	5.567886	2.577087	-1.055300	
41	1	0	-3.006391	5.121169	0.967855	
42	1	0	-4.627503	-3.220597	1.618180	
43	1	0	4.584954	4.895514	-1.125573	
44	1	0	4.679886	4.943091	0.649711	
45	1	0	1.105259	-2.747145	-1.416737	
46	1	0	5.577751	2.525586	0.721745	
47	1	0	3.107921	5.186753	-0.164156	
48	1	0	5.944974	-6.081064	-0.375809	
49	1	0	4.160062	-6.137166	-0.380759	
50	1	0	-2.394222	-2.154682	1.598259	
51	6	0	-7.731313	-2.080736	-0.541589	
52	8	0	-6.648046	-2.545594	0.246556	
53	1	0	-5.985183	-0.393598	-1.322950	
54	1	0	5.033264	-5.269730	-1.679139	
55	1	0	-8.574736	-2.732735	-0.306399	
56	1	0	-7.994950	-1.043630	-0.294892	
57	1	0	-7.509654	-2.148929	-1.615087	

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Ζ
1	1	0	-2.260231	6.789825	0.425826
2	1	0	-3.759271	6.715482	1.395027
3	1	0	-3.854430	6.942134	-0.366453
4	1	0	-4.555663	3.318157	0.140052
5	1	0	-5.236378	4.792176	-0.604002
6	1	0	-5.181344	4.638348	1.166105
7	1	0	-4.553997	-3.876198	3.042243
8	1	0	-4.900035	-2.148502	2.831078
9	1	0	-3.220517	-2.718411	2.895807
10	1	0	-2.249383	-4.084595	0.942243
11	1	0	-3.261354	-4.461472	-0.466477
12	1	0	-3.581540	-5.242463	1.094425
13	1	0	6.695504	-0.956345	3.012072
14	1	0	5.207468	-1.861384	2.670320
15	1	0	5.148165	-0.101170	2.890963
16	1	0	6.903370	0.768039	-0.348747
17	1	0	7.694872	0.599453	1.231405
18	1	0	6.146961	1.455159	1.101410
19	1	0	-6.222837	-5.235606	1.465601
20	1	0	-8.462348	-5.288642	0.396586
21	1	0	-9.144814	-3.505316	-1.180744
22	1	0	-7.596955	-1.638091	-1.715657
23	1	0	5.819148	-4.119521	-2.113053
24	1	0	8.086571	-4.979557	-1.575838
25	1	0	9.461905	-3.886613	0.170230
26	1	0	8.595446	-1.917313	1.407319
27	1	0	-1.880778	-1.441479	0.994533
28	1	0	-5.614674	0.082283	-1.933225
29	1	0	-3.524781	1.390487	-1.793780
30	1	0	1.587548	-1.317585	-2.093901
31	1	0	3.527215	-2.825020	-2.298529
32	1	0	3.562699	0.897875	1.019460
33	1	0	4.520522	4.164322	-0.195628
34	1	0	3.787580	5.417937	0.851213
35	1	0	3.698973	5.590222	-0.896969

Table S8. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized FL structure

36	1	0	-0.103372	-0.960483	-0.545293
37	6	0	-3.292818	6.448703	0.437658
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Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)				
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12	6	0	2.703265	-1.662213	0.034199		
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15	6	0	1.419799	2.392849	0.020683		
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17	6	0	-3.728112	1.722419	-0.829243		
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19	6	0	-5.983912	1.399591	-0.022894		
20	6	0	-5.531886	0.351409	0.781774		
21	6	0	-4.186440	-0.010765	0.783383		
22	6	0	2.528942	2.506297	-0.835384		
23	6	0	3.324167	3.650635	-0.822594		
24	6	0	3.034081	4.705483	0.045996		
25	6	0	1.938361	4.605280	0.903422		
26	6	0	1.141061	3.460833	0.890173		
27	7	0	4.033715	-1.921343	0.095926		
28	6	0	5.025069	-0.857726	0.147937		
29	6	0	4.555848	-3.279964	0.107562		
30	1	0	-1.240411	2.415115	0.014427		
31	1	0	-2.359833	-5.066552	0.708031		
32	1	0	-3.564097	-4.089136	-0.185226		
33	1	0	-2.302358	-5.018256	-1.049365		
34	1	0	-3.034315	2.247258	-1.480893		
35	1	0	-5.413479	2.894159	-1.470497		

Table S9. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized H structure

36	1	0	-7.034697	1.676909	-0.023276	
37	1	0	-6.230880	-0.187465	1.416285	
38	1	0	-3.848262	-0.828589	1.408075	
39	1	0	2.760759	1.694630	-1.515328	
40	1	0	4.171823	3.721374	-1.499535	
41	1	0	3.658009	5.595209	0.055264	
42	1	0	1.705435	5.414583	1.590501	
43	1	0	0.302195	3.383884	1.576981	
44	1	0	5.660508	-0.986742	1.033523	
45	1	0	5.667919	-0.894829	-0.741871	
46	1	0	4.524908	0.106931	0.195882	
47	1	0	5.228366	-3.429354	-0.747358	
48	1	0	5.128264	-3.453948	1.028124	
49	1	0	3.730015	-3.985398	0.051584	

Center	Atomic	Atomic	Coordinates (Angstroms)				
Number	Number	Туре	Х	Y	Ζ		
1	6	0	1.455062	0.315885	0.003902		
2	6	0	1.271120	1.714001	-0.016900		
3	7	0	-0.045583	2.209645	-0.024089		
4	6	0	-1.192624	1.395492	-0.019104		
5	6	0	-0.993709	-0.011362	-0.012668		
6	6	0	0.312019	-0.490866	0.003812		
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10	6	0	-0.235540	3.623623	-0.035627		
11	7	0	-1.454239	4.133253	-0.003382		
12	6	0	-2.499761	3.279618	0.029994		
13	7	0	-2.408614	1.937111	0.004348		
14	6	0	3.206831	4.817206	-0.155668		
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16	6	0	2.803224	-0.305934	-0.009144		
17	6	0	3.035460	-1.441588	-0.804648		
18	6	0	4.267624	-2.089433	-0.797220		
19	9	0	7.468085	-1.713731	-0.939710		
20	1	0	0.453238	-1.567251	0.017585		
21	1	0	3.127495	5.444554	-1.050491		
22	1	0	4.148976	4.267580	-0.172222		
23	6	0	-2.096211	-2.069951	0.877780		
24	7	0	-3.738634	3.823403	0.091381		
25	6	0	-4.941803	3.005057	0.140399		
26	6	0	-5.310489	-3.888331	0.014263		
27	1	0	-3.305393	0.033076	-1.497972		
28	1	0	-5.542022	3.285112	1.015007		
29	1	0	-4.669172	1.954425	0.207080		
30	6	0	5.300266	-1.610717	0.010733		
31	6	0	5.089116	-0.479191	0.803986		
32	6	0	3.857062	0.165768	0.793390		
33	6	0	-3.250248	-0.816114	-0.827691		
34	6	0	-4.279370	-1.751680	-0.816641		
35	9	0	6.562605	-3.587235	-0.315294		

Table S10. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized  $CF_3$  structure

36	9	0	7.283129	-2.168455	1.175794	
37	6	0	-4.222002	-2.851969	0.044159	
38	6	0	-3.124754	-3.008522	0.892460	
39	1	0	4.426123	-2.964537	-1.418827	
40	1	0	3.184729	5.493141	0.706622	
41	1	0	2.247560	-1.812379	-1.454051	
42	1	0	5.886815	-0.111101	1.441081	
43	9	0	-6.513655	-3.346541	-0.283453	
44	6	0	-3.949851	5.264854	0.099303	
45	9	0	-5.071458	-4.840968	-0.918761	
46	9	0	-5.434242	-4.525976	1.199808	
47	6	0	6.650118	-2.271413	-0.014975	
48	1	0	-5.131489	-1.628239	-1.477408	
49	1	0	3.706044	1.041634	1.411627	
50	1	0	-3.082511	-3.851558	1.574151	
51	1	0	-2.989614	5.772631	0.047843	
52	1	0	-1.260873	-2.187121	1.562196	
53	1	0	-5.549232	3.171087	-0.759103	
54	1	0	-4.474989	5.559849	1.016684	
55	1	0	-4.568561	5.555241	-0.759497	

	Experi	mental	Calculated				
Compound	$\lambda_{abs}{}^a$ / nm	λ <sub>em</sub> / nm	λ <sub>abs</sub> / nm	$f(S_0 \rightarrow S_1)$ (H-L CI coefficient) <sup>b</sup>	λ <sub>em</sub> / nm	$f(S_1 \rightarrow S_0)$ (H-L CI coefficient) <sup>b</sup>	
5AP	573	n.d.	505.77	0.0066 (0.69900)	570.21	0.0040 (0.70441)	
A5AP	506	518	449.97	0.0241 (0.68685)	500.85	0.0184 (-0.69556)	
BT	590	615	563.40	0.1562 (0.68282)	745.97	0.0477 (0.69242)	
NPh <sub>2</sub>	550	584	517.26	0.0995 (0.66237)	673.61	0.0386 (0.68472)	
OMe	546	568	499.59	0.0628 (0.68375)	661.36	0.0237 (0.69804)	
FL	544	566	499.05	0.0962 (0.67939)	644.70	0.0358 (-0.69437)	
Н	538	554	485.54	0.0555 (0.68463)	626.71	0.0218 (-0.69894)	
CF <sub>3</sub>	532	545	478.31	0.0667 (0.68267)	596.93	0.0279 (-0.69733)	

Table S11. Results of TD-DFT calculations in comparison with experimental values

<sup>*a*</sup>The peak maxima of the absorption band in the largest wavelength (i.e. not the absorption maxima). <sup>*b*</sup>The CI expansion coefficients of HOMO–LUMO transition in corresponding transitions. These values clearly indicate that  $S_0$ – $S_1$  transitions are largely composed of the HOMO–LUMO transition.



Figure S23. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of 5AP.



Figure S24. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of A5AP.



Figure S25. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of BT.



Figure S26. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of NPh2.



Figure S27. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of OMe.



Figure S28. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of FL.



Figure S29. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of H.



Figure S30. MO patterns of HOMO and LUMO of CF3.

### 5-4. Second emission peak of FL.



**Figure S30**. PL spectrum of FL including a second emission peak in shorter wavelength region. The spectrum was recorded with the excitation light at 325 nm.



**Figure S31.** ORTEP drawings of A5AP-Me. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

Scheme S1. Synthetic scheme of A5AP derivatives



	$arPsi_{ ext{PL}}$	$\tau$ / ns	$\overline{ au}_{a/}$ ns	$k_{r/10}^{7}{ m s}^{-1}$	$k_{nr/10}^9 \mathrm{s}^{-1}$	$k_r^{th}$ b / $10^7$ s <sup>-1</sup>
A5AP -C12	0.03	1.77 ( $\chi^2 = 1.19$ )	1.77	1.7	0.55	0.72
BT	0.01	$0.27 (\chi^2 = 1.12)$	0.27	3.7	3.7	1.4
NPh2	0.02	0.27 (38%), 0.43 (62%) $(\chi^2 = 1.00)$	0.37	5.4	2.6	1.3
OMe	0.01	0.42 (85%), 0.77 (15%) $(\chi^2 = 1.19)$	0.47	2.1	2.1	0.79
FL	0.02	$0.69 (\chi^2 = 1.04)$	0.69	2.9	1.4	1.2
Н	0.02	0.83 (93%), 5.07 (7%) $(\chi^2 = 1.16)$	1.12	1.8	0.88	0.75
CF3	0.08	1.97 $(\chi^2 = 1.09)$	1.97	4.0	0.47	0.99

Table S12. Photophysical properties of A5AP derivatives

<sup>*a*</sup> Weighted average value of  $\tau$ . <sup>*b*</sup> Calculated values determined from the absorption maxima of the S<sub>0</sub>–S<sub>1</sub> band in the longer wavelength region (wavenumber / cm<sup>-1</sup>:  $\overline{\nu_0^2}$ ) and oscillator strength  $f(S_1 \rightarrow S_0)$  from DFT calculations (Table S11). These values and  $k_r^{th}$  are related with the following formula (N. J. Turro, V. Ramamurthy and J. C. Scaiano, *Principles of Molecular Photochemistry*, University Science Books, Sausalito, 2009. Japanese edition was published from Maruzen, 2013.):

$$k_r^{th} \cong \bar{\nu}_0^2 f$$

These  $k_r^{th}$  values qualitatively corresponded with the  $k_r$  values from PL litetime measurements.

Compound	$E_{\rm ox}^{\rm onset}$ / V	$E_{\rm red}^{\rm onset}$ / V	$E_{\rm HOMO}^{\rm b}$ / eV	$E_{\rm LUMO}^{\rm c}$ / eV	$E_{g}^{d} / eV$	$E_{g,\text{opt}}^{\text{e}}/\text{eV}$
A5AP-C12	0.40	-2.31	-5.20	-2.49	2.71	2.37
BT	0.19	-2.03	-4.99	-2.77	2.22	1.97
NPh2	0.19	-2.24	-4.99	-2.56	2.43	2.15
OMe	0.32	-2.27	-5.12	-2.53	2.59	2.16
FL	0.35	-2.25	-5.15	-2.55	2.60	2.19
н	0.43	-2.23	-5.23	-2.57	2.66	2.23
CF3	0.56	-2.13	-5.36	-2.67	2.66	2.26

Table S13. Electrochemical properties of A5AP derivatives<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Measured in dichloromethane solution  $(1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M})$  containing 0.1 M tetrabutylammonium hexafluorophosphate (Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>) as an electrolyte, using a glassy carbon working electrode, a Pt wire counter electrode, an Ag/AgCl reference electrode, and a ferrocene/ferrocenium external standard at room temperature with a scan rate of 0.05 Vs<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>b</sup>E<sub>HOMO</sub> = -4.8-  $E_{ox}^{onset}$ . <sup>c</sup>E<sub>LUMO</sub> = -4.8-  $E_{red}^{onset}$ . <sup>d</sup>E<sub>g</sub> =  $E_{LUMO} - E_{HOMO}$ . <sup>e</sup> Optical band gaps were estimated from onset wavelength of the absorption spectra.

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