

## Electronic supplementary information (ESI)

### **Selective resonance Raman enhancement of large amplitude inter-ring vibrations of [3<sub>4</sub>](1,2,4,5)cyclophane radical cation; a model of $\pi$ -stacked dimer radical ions**

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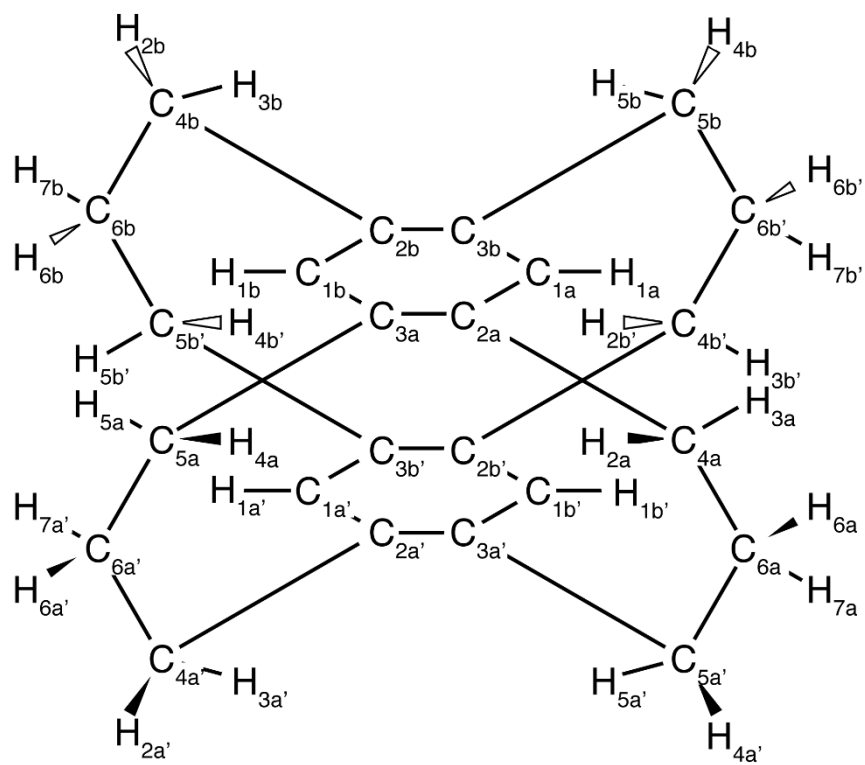


Fig. S1 Numbering of atoms for  $[3_4](1,2,4,5)$ cyclophane

Table S1 Structural parameters (bond lengths, angles, and dihedral angles) calculated for the neutral species and the radical cations in the ground  $S_0$  and excited  $S_2$  states of [3<sub>4</sub>](1,2,4,5)cyclophane. The numbering of atoms is defined in Fig. S1.

Definitions	Bond lengths/Å and angles/deg				
	Neutral	Radical cation		B - A	C - B
	$S_0$ [D <sub>2h</sub> ]	$S_0$ [D <sub>2</sub> ] (B)	$S_2$ [D <sub>2</sub> ] (C)		
$R(C_{1a}C_{2a})$	1.398	1.395	1.396	-0.003	0.001
$R(C_{1a}C_{3b})$		1.394	1.395	-0.004	0.001
$R(C_{2a}C_{3a})$	1.408	1.435	1.434	0.027	-0.001
$R(C_{2a}C_{4a})$	1.522	1.511	1.514	-0.010	0.002
$R(C_{3a}C_{5a})$		1.511	1.513	-0.011	0.002
$R(C_{4a}C_{6a})$	1.550	1.550	1.557	0.000	0.007
$R(C_{6a}C_{5a})$		1.551	1.556	0.001	0.006
$R(C_{1a}H_{1a})$	1.087	1.085	1.086	-0.002	0.000
$R(C_{4a}H_{2a})$	1.091	1.089	1.089	-0.002	0.000
$R(C_{5a}H_{4a})$		1.089	1.089	-0.002	0.000
$R(C_{4a}H_{3a})$	1.097	1.096	1.096	0.000	-0.001
$R(C_{5a}H_{5a})$		1.096	1.095	-0.001	-0.001
$R(C_{6a}H_{6a})$	1.096	1.093	1.094	-0.003	0.000
$R(C_{6a}H_{7a})$	1.094	1.093	1.092	-0.001	-0.001
$A(C_{2a}C_{1a}C_{3b})$	123.696	123.082	122.895	-0.614	-0.187
$A(C_{1a}C_{2a}C_{3a})$	117.856	118.042	118.090	0.186	0.049
$A(C_{1a}C_{2a}C_{4a})$	117.599	118.101	117.951	0.502	-0.150
$A(C_{1b}C_{3a}C_{5a})$		118.069	117.858	0.471	-0.212
$A(C_{3a}C_{2a}C_{4a})$	124.247	123.779	123.620	-0.468	-0.159
$A(C_{2a}C_{3a}C_{5a})$		123.762	123.611	-0.486	-0.151
$A(C_{2a}C_{4a}C_{6a})$	114.678	113.849	114.538	-0.829	0.690
$A(C_{3a}C_{5a}C_{6a})$		113.939	114.541	-0.739	0.601
$A(C_{4a}C_{6a}C_{5a})$	117.769	115.919	119.203	-1.850	3.284
$A(C_{2a}C_{1a}H_{1a})$	117.888	118.259	118.317	0.371	0.058
$A(C_{3a}C_{1b}H_{1b})$		118.163	118.151	0.275	-0.012
$D(C_{1a}C_{2a}C_{3a}C_{1b})$	0	0.694	0.833	0.694	0.140
$D(C_{4a}C_{2a}C_{3a}C_{5a})$	0	0.390	0.621	0.390	0.231
$D(C_{1a}C_{2a}C_{3a}C_{5a})$	173.566	177.108	173.793	3.541	-3.315
$-D(C_{1b}C_{3a}C_{2a}C_{4a})$		176.024	172.338	2.458	-3.686
$D(C_{3b}C_{1a}C_{2a}C_{4a})$	164.979	166.116	162.455	1.136	-3.661
$-D(C_{2b}C_{1b}C_{3a}C_{5a})$		166.536	163.103	1.557	-3.433
$D(C_{2a}C_{1a}C_{3b}C_{2b})$	9.021	10.086	10.267	1.065	0.180
$-D(C_{3a}C_{1b}C_{2b}C_{3b})$		10.792	11.109	1.770	0.318
$D(C_{2a}C_{3a}C_{1b}H_{1b})$	179.503	177.448	178.219	-2.056	0.771
$-D(C_{3a}C_{2a}C_{1a}H_{1a})$		178.146	179.047	-1.358	0.901

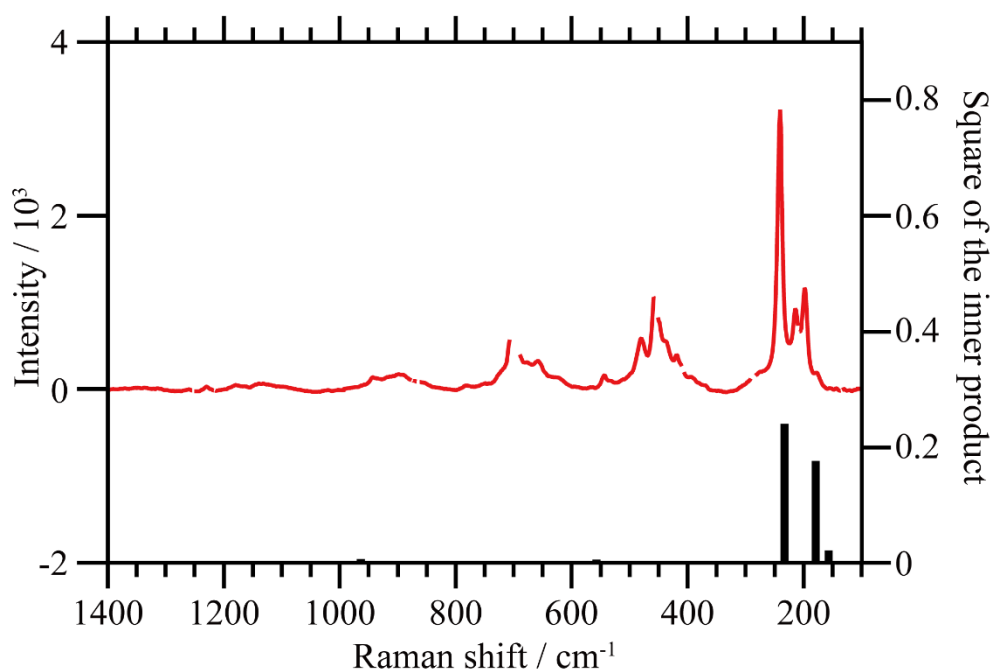


Fig. S2 Resonance Raman spectrum of [3<sub>4</sub>](1,2,4,5)cyclophane radical cation (red line) and a plot of squares of the inner products of the vibrational coordinates and the atomic displacements from the S<sub>0</sub> to S<sub>2</sub> states (See the text) calculated for the radical cation (black bars).