Time dependent aggregation induced emission enhancement and study of molecular packing in closely related azo-phenol BODIPY species

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Scheme S1. Synthesis of 1–3.



Fig. S1 1 H (a) NMR spectra of L4 in CDCl₃.



Fig. S2 1 H (a) and 13 C (b) NMR spectra of L5 in CDCl₃.



Fig. S3 1 H (a) and 13 C (b) NMR spectra of L6 in CDCl₃.



Fig. S4 1 H (a) and 13 C (b) NMR spectra of 1 in CDCl₃.



Fig. S5 11 B (a) and 19 F (b) NMR spectra of **1** in CDCl₃.



Fig. S6 1 H (a) and 13 C (b) NMR spectra of 2 in CDCl₃.



Fig. S7 11 B (a) and 19 F (b) NMR spectra of **2** in CDCl₃.



Fig. S8 1 H (a) and 13 C (b) NMR spectra of **3** in CDCl₃.



Fig. S9 11 B (a) and 19 F (b) NMR spectra of **3** in CDCl₃.



Fig. S10 HRMS spectra of 1–3 (a–c respectively).



Fig. S11 UV-vis (a) and Fluorescence (b) spectra of **1** (*c*, 50 μ M) in methanol/water mixture with different volume fractions of water (*f*_W).



Fig. S12 UV-vis spectra of **2** (a) and **3** (b); (*c*, 50 μ M) in methanol/water mixture with different volume fractions of water (*f*_W).



Fig. S13 Emission spectra of 2 (a) and 3 (b) in different solvents (c, 50 μ M).



Fig. S14 Excitation spectra of compounds 1 (a), 2 (b) and 3 (c) compared with corresponding emission bands ($\lambda_{ex} = 500 \text{ nm}$) and UV-vis spectra in methanol solution (*c*, 50 μ M).



Fig. S15 Solid state emission spectra of 2-3.



Fig. S16 Emission spectra of 1 in different fraction of glycerol.



Fig. S17 Fluorescence optical microscope image of **2** (a, b) and **3** (c, d) at f_w 90% after 60 min of water injection.



Fig. S18 DLS figures of **2** (a) and **3** (b) at f_w 90% at different time interval.



Fig. S19 DFT optimized figures of 1 (a), 2 (b) and 3 (c).



Fig. S20 UV–vis spectra of complexes 1 (a), 2 (b) and 3 (c) obtained from TD-DFT.



Fig. S21 Electrostatic potential surface of 1 (a), 2 (b) and 3 (c).



Fig. S22 Crystal packing showing C–H··· π interactions in **1**.



Fig. S23 Crystal packing showing C–H··· π interactions in **2** (a).



Fig. S24 Crystal packing showing C–H···F interactions in **1** (a), C–H···F in **2** (b), C–H···F and O–H···F in **3** (c).

Bond Length (Å)	1	Bond Length (Å)	2	Bond Length (Å)	3
N1-B1	1.539(2)	N1-B1	1.542(2)	N1-B1	1.533(3)
N2-B1	1.545(2)	N2-B1	1.543(13)	N2-B1	1.534(3)
N3-C12	1.4048(19)	N3-C12	1.4220(19)	N3-C14	1.425(4)
N4-C16	1.4132(19)	N4-C16	1.4283(19)	N4-C16	1.437(4)
N3-N4	1.2647(17)	N3-N4	1.2586(18)	N3-N4	1.248(4)
O1–C11	1.3456(17)	O1–C15	1.3540(18)	01–C11	1.358(4)
O2–C19	1.3612(19)	O2–C19	1.3663(19)	C19–C22	1.496(6)

Table S1: Selected bond distances in 1–3.

Table S2: Selected bond angles in 1–3.

Bond Angle (°)	1	Bond Angle (°)	2	Bond Angle (°)	3
F1-B1-F2	109.13(13)	F1-B1-F2	108.47(13)	F1-B1-F2	108.67(17)
N2-B1-N1	105.65(12)	N2-B1-N1	106.62(11)	N2-B1-N1	106.52(15)
C16-C17-C21	119.20(14)	C21–C16–C17	119.21(14)	C21-C16-C17	119.2(3)
C13-C12-C11	119.12(13)	C13-C12-C11	118.98(13)	C13-C14-C15	119.0(2)
N3-C12-C11	124.91(13)	N3-C12-C13	115.52(13)	N3-C13-C14	112.9(3)
N4-C16-C21	124.18(14)	N4-C16-C17	116.50(13)	N4-C16-C21	116.8(3)
N4-N3-C12	115.42(12)	N4-N3-C12	115.15(12)	N4-N3-C14	113.8(3)
N3-N4-C16	116.19(12)	N3-N4-C16	114.04(12)	N3-N4-C16	115.6(3)

Compd	$\Phi_{ m soln}(\%)$	$\Phi_{ m solid}(\%)$
1	3	_
2	2.0	8
3	2.5	11

Table S3: Fluorescence quantum yields of 1–3.

 Φ_{soln} = fluorescence quantum yield in Methanol solution estimated using Rhodamine 6G as standard (Φ_F = 95% in water), Φ_{solid} = solid-state fluorescence (quantum yield determined by an calibrated integrating sphere.

Methanol					Methanol/water 1:9			
Compd	λ (nm)	(A)	(τ) (ns)	<τ> (ns)	λ (nm)	(A)	(τ) (ns)	<τ> (ns)
2	525	40.6 (A ₁) 8.00 (A ₂) 51.37 (A ₃)	$2.62 (\tau_1) 9.20 (\tau_2) 0.39 (\tau_3)$	2	580	$22.32 (A_1)$ $20.28(A_2)$ $57.40 (A_3)$	 4.12 (τ₁) 13.8 (τ₂) 0.32 (τ₃) 	3.88
3	525	88 (A ₁) 12 (A ₂)	0.173 (τ ₁) 8.18 (τ ₂)	1.14	580	$23.61 (A_1) (A_1) 16.35 (A_2) 60.04 (A_3)$	8.29 (τ_1) 17.14 (τ_2) 0.33 (τ_3)	4.95

Table S4: Fluorescence decay parameters of **2–3** in methanol solution and Methanol/water (1:9) mixture.

Dynamic parameters determined from $I = A_1 \exp(-t/\tau_1) + A_2 \exp(-t/\tau_2) + y_0$, where A_1/A_2 and τ_1/τ_2 are the fractions (*A*) and lifetimes (τ) respectively. The weighted mean lifetime $\langle \tau \rangle$ was calculated according to the equation: $\langle \tau \rangle = (A_1\tau_1 + A_2\tau_2)/(A_1 + A_2)$. Solution concentration: 50 µM; excitation wavelength: 480 nm.

Com	Exp.	Calcd.	Oscillator	Energy	%	Important orbital excitation
	Wave	Wave	Strength	(ev)	contibution	
	length	length	(f)			
	(nm)	(nm)				
1	501	412	0.92	3.00	94%	HOMO → LUMO
	362	310	1.346	3.99	86%	$HOMO(-1) \rightarrow LUMO(+1)$
2	500	413	0.92	3.00	94%	HOMO → LUMO
	349	297	1.37	4.17	87%	$HOMO(-1) \rightarrow LUMO(+1)$
	502	413	0.92	3.00	95%	HOMO → LUMO
3						
	351	292	1.34	4.23	88%	$HOMO(-1) \rightarrow LUMO(+1)$

Table S5: Details of TD-DFT calculated electronic transitions for 1–3.