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## **Electronic Supporting Information**

Boratriazines: Inducing luminescence through boron incorporation into a terpytype framework.

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Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of F<sub>2</sub>-Py<sub>2</sub>BTA in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of  $F_2$ - $Py_2BTA$  in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S3. <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum of  $F_2$ - $Py_2BTA$  in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S4. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of  $F_2$ - $Py_2BTA$  in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

-9.75 -9.03
-7.53
-7.26



Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S6. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of  $F_2$ - $Pm_2BTA$  in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S7. <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum of  $F_2$ - $Pm_2BTA$  in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S8. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PmAmBF<sub>3</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN



Figure S10. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of PmAmBF<sub>3</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN



Figure S11. <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum of PmAmBF<sub>3</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN



Figure S12. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of PmAmBF<sub>3</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN



Figure S13. Frontier molecular orbitals and energies of the F<sub>2</sub>-Py<sub>2</sub>BTA, F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA and PmAmBF<sub>3</sub> from DFT calculations (B3LYP, 6-31G).

Compound	Abso	rption <sup>a</sup>	Fluorescence <sup>b</sup>		
_	$\lambda_{max}$ (nm)	$(\varepsilon \times 10^4 \ LM^{-1} cm^{-1})$	$\lambda_{em}(nm)$	Quantum Yield <sup>c</sup>	
F <sub>2</sub> -Py <sub>2</sub> BTA	310	2.3	397	0.12	
F <sub>2</sub> -Pm <sub>2</sub> BTA	307	1.4	388	0.07	

Table S1. Fluorescence data for the benchmark fluorophores F<sub>2</sub>-Py<sub>2</sub>BTA and F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA.

<sup>*a*</sup> low energy absorption of  $F_2$ - $Py_2BTA$  and  $F_2$ - $Pm_2BTA$  in DCM from UV-Vis. <sup>*b*</sup> Measurements were made in DCM (dichloromethane). <sup>*c*</sup> Quantum yield were calculate at 22°C relative to 9,10-diphenylanthracene in ethanol (QY = 0.90) using Cary Eclipse Fluorescence Spectrophotometer (Agilent Technologies).

Table S2. Molar extinction coefficients ( $\epsilon$ ) of F<sub>2</sub>-Py<sub>2</sub>BTA, F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA and PmAmBF<sub>3</sub> along with their corresponding wavelengths.

F2-Py2BTA		<b>F</b> <sub>2</sub> - <b>P</b>	m <sub>2</sub> BTA	PmAmBF <sub>3</sub>	
$\lambda_{abs}$ (nm)	$(LM^{\ell}cm^{-\ell})$	$\lambda_{abs}$ (nm)	$(LM^{\ell}cm^{-\ell})$	$\lambda_{abs}$ (nm)	$(LM^{l}cm^{-l})$
324	19720	317	12720	320	489
310 280	11580	307 295	14015 10776	304 227	635 7533

	F <sub>2</sub> -Py	F <sub>2</sub> -Py <sub>2</sub> BTA		F <sub>2</sub> -Pm <sub>2</sub> BTA		PmAmBF <sub>3</sub>	
k	E(eV)	f	E(eV)	f	E(eV)	f	
1	4.1154	0.4515	3.5015	0.0000	4.1920	0.0000	
2	4.1370	0.0000	3.7135	0.0000	4.5825	0.0055	
3	4.3078	0.0024	4.0622	0.2796	4.8527	0.0664	
4	4.6294	0.1542	4.3130	0.0000	5.0795	0.0039	
5	4.6927	0.0965	4.4048	0.0089	5.6628	0.0135	
6	4.7077	0.0000	4.4084	0.0000	5.7256	0.3731	
7	5.1376	0.0001	4.6683	0.0010	5.8142	0.0028	
8	5.1890	0.0001	4.8624	0.0606	6.2399	0.0001	
9	5.2176	.0233	4.9013	0.0000	6.2595	0.0019	
10	5.3439	0.0041	4.9560	0.2215	6.4273	0.0002	
11	5.3793	0.0000	4.9703	0.0587	6.9605	0.0398	
12	5.3843	0.0020	5.0603	0.0788	6.9847	0.0001	
13	5.4987	0.0277	5.0756	0.0198	7.0065	0.0004	
14	5.5133	0.0016	5.2797	0.0030	7.0711	0.2130	
15	5.5333	0.0000	5.2859	0.0000	7.0988	0.0134	
16	5.5612	0.2197	5.2865	0.0000	7.3725	0.0000	
17	5.6601	0.0188	5.4050	0.0000	7.4656	0.4011	
18	5.7248	0.0010	5.5061	0.0046	7.6039	0.0123	
19	5.9429	0.0004	5.5069	0.0153	7.6157	0.0008	
20	5.9517	0.0297	5.5306	0.0019	7.6971	0.0000	

Table S3. TD–DFT optical transitions<sup>*a*</sup> for F<sub>2</sub>-Py<sub>2</sub>BTA, F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA and PmAmBF<sub>3</sub>.

<sup>*a*</sup> TD-DFT (6-31G/B3LYP) level of theory on geometry optimized structures. k is order of excitation energy and f is oscillator strength.

Compound	Excitation Energy (eV)	Calculate d $\lambda$ (nm)	Transition	Molecular Contribution	Oscillator Strength ( <i>f</i> )
F <sub>2</sub> -Py <sub>2</sub> BTA	4.1154 4.6294 4.6927	301 267 264	HOMO HOMO-1 ↓ LUMO HOMO-3 ↓ LUMO	0.69836 0.69018 0.68831	0.4515 0.1542 0.0965
F2-Pm2BTA	4.0622 4.8624 4.9560	305 254 250	HOMO-1 → LUMO HOMO-3 LUMO HOMO-1 → LUMO HOMO-4 → LUMO HOMO-1 → LUMO+2	0.70295 0.55938 -0.37579 0.65539 -0.24728	0.2796 0.0000 0.2215
ґтатвг <sub>3</sub>	4.5827 5.7256 7.4656	255 216 175	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO HOMO-5 $\rightarrow$ LUMO HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1	0.70088 0.68647 0.52270 0.37437	0.0664 0.3731 0.2130

Table S4. Selected TD–DFT optical transitions for F<sub>2</sub>-Py<sub>2</sub>BTA, F<sub>2</sub>-Pm<sub>2</sub>BTA and PmAmBF<sub>3</sub>.

	F <sub>2</sub> -Py <sub>2</sub> BTA	F <sub>2</sub> -Pm <sub>2</sub> BTA	PmAmBF <sub>3</sub>
Formula	$C_{12}H_{10}BF_2N_5$	$C_{10}H_8BF_2N_7$	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>6</sub> BF <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>
FW (g/mol)	273.06	359.97	189.95
Crystem System	Triclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic
Space Group	P-1	Pbca	$P-2_{1}/n$
a (Å)	7.7785 (3)	9.7915(7)	8.1901(2)
b (Å)	8.8782(3)	10.7841(8)	6.2150(2)
c (Å)	9.6210(4)	28.665(2)	14.8496(4)
α (°)	91.401(2)	90	90
β (°)	102.708(2)	90	92.216(2)
γ (°)	109.795(2)	90	90
$V(Å^3)$	606.289(4)	3026.8(4)	755.30(4)
Z	2	8	4
$D_{calc}$ (Mg·m <sup>-3</sup> )	1.496	1.580	1.670
T(K)	200	200	200
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.116	0.459	0.159
2θ range (°)	4.36 to 57.99	5.038 to 51.998	5.49 to 57.99
No. of total reflections	10741	13127	6752
No. of unique reflections	3153	2913	1873
R <sub>int</sub>	0.0268	0.0608	0.0163
$R_1, wR_2$ [I>=2 $\sigma$ (I)]	0.0535, 0.1579	0.0692, 0.1794	0.0341, 0.0975
Largest diff. peak/hole	0.518 and -0.186	0.289 and -0.459	0.253 and -0.184
_(e·Å-3)			

Table S5. Crystallographic data for F2-Py2BTA, F2-Pm2BTA and PmAmBF3.