

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

Enhanced Fluorescence of Phthalimide Compounds Induced by the Incorporation of Electron-Donating Alicyclic Amino Groups

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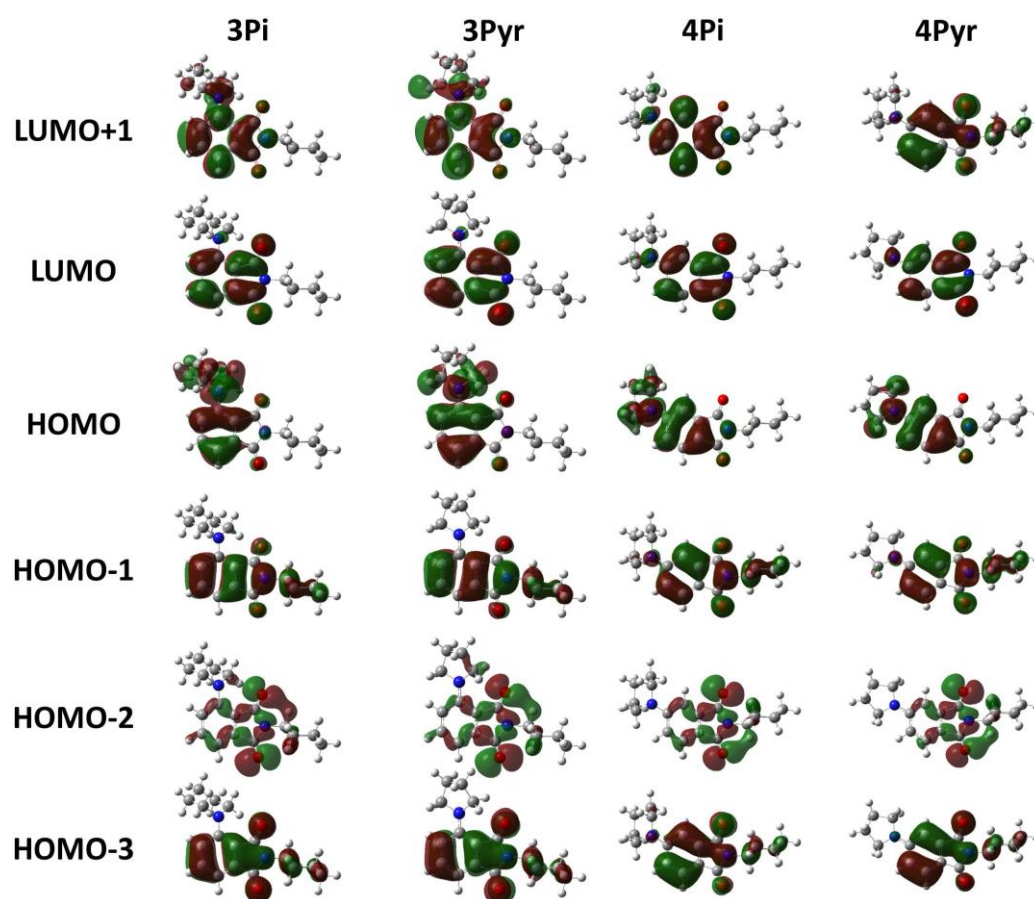
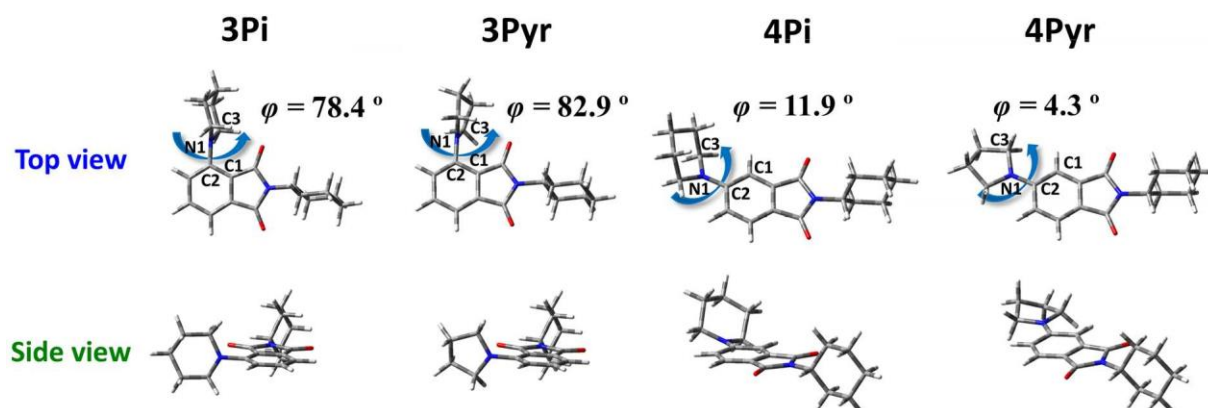
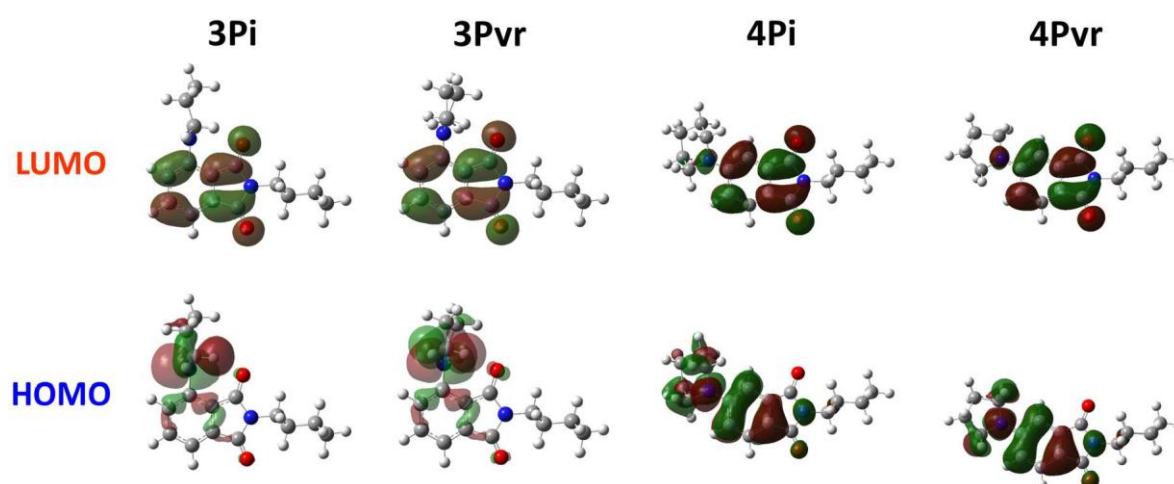


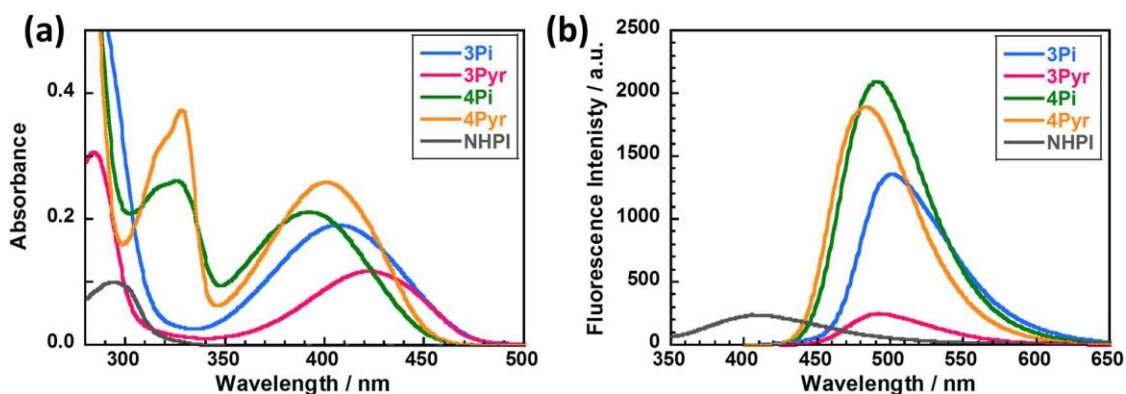
Figure S1 Calculated molecular orbitals of x-NHPIs in the ground S_0 state (TD-DFT method at the CAM-B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) level).



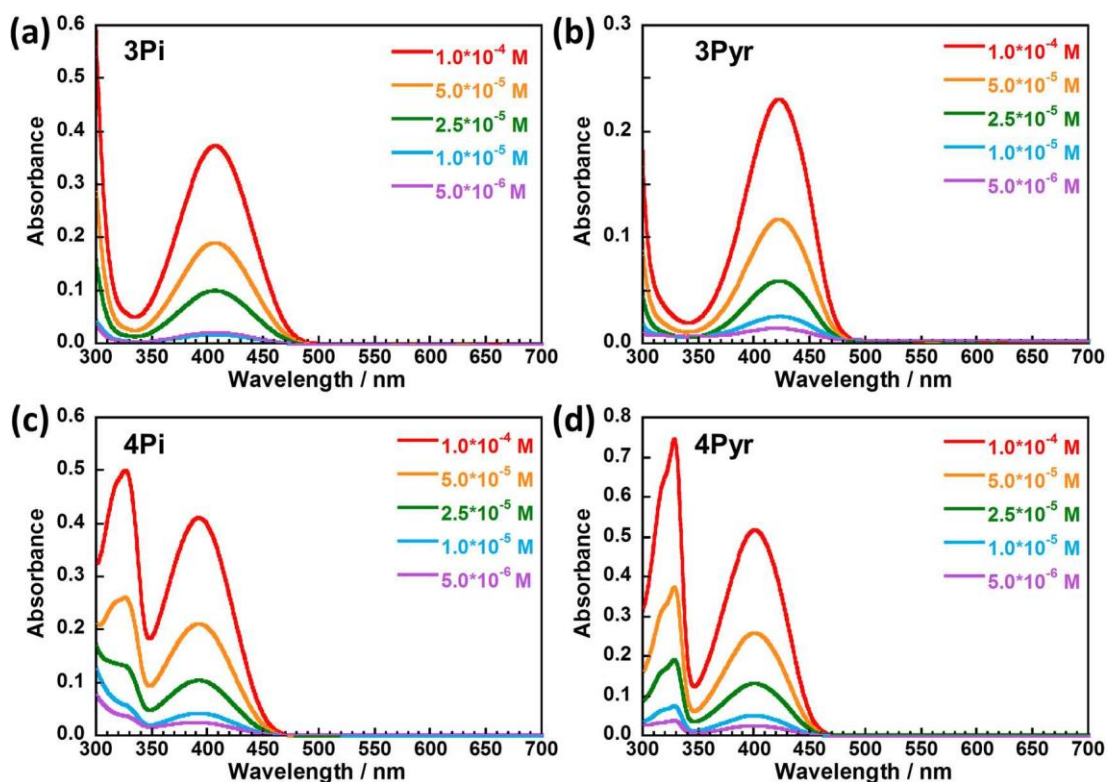
FigureS2 Calculated optimized geometry (top and side view) of **x-NHPIs** in the S_1 state and the atom labelling convention of **x-NHPIs**. The dihedral angles (φ) of alicyclic amino group and phthalimide moiety for **x-NHPIs** are defined by C1-C2-N1-C3.



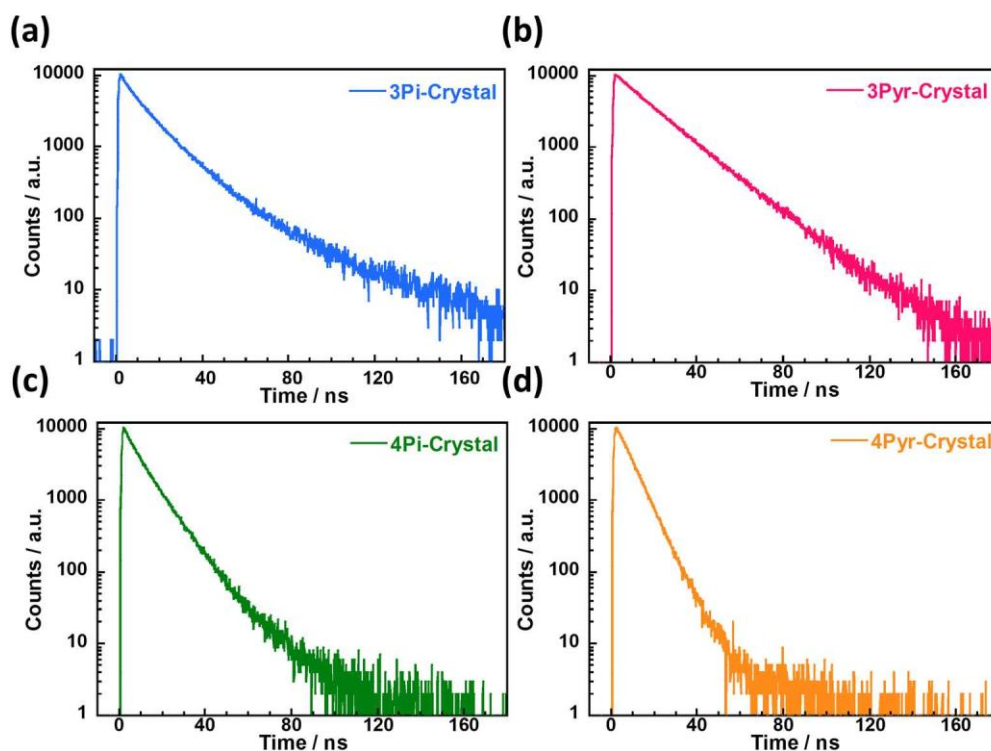
FigureS3 Calculated molecular orbitals of **x-NHPIs** in the excited S_1 state (TD-DFT method at the CAM-B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) level).



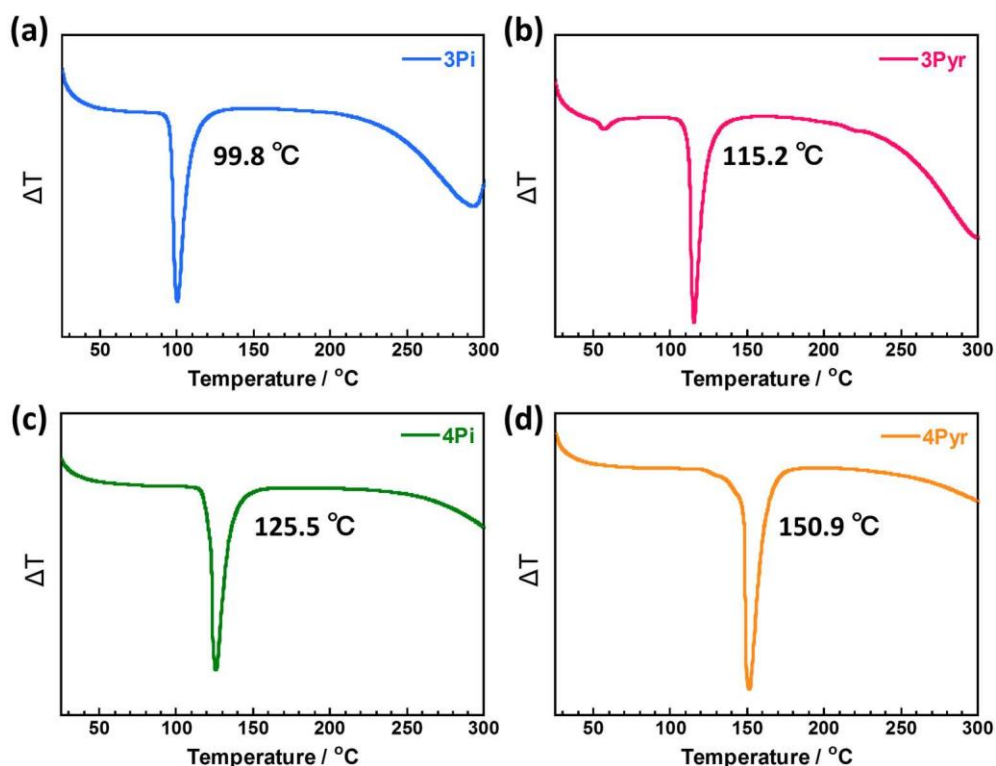
FigureS4 (a) UV/Vis absorption spectra and (b) fluorescence spectra of **NHPI** and **x-NHPIs** in CHCl_3 (5.0×10^{-5} M). Excitation wavelengths for **NHPI** is 295 nm, and for **x-NHPIs** are listed in Table 1. The fluorescence intensities of **3Pi** and **3Pyr** are 10 times and that of **NHPI** is 100 times.



FigureS5 UV/Vis absorption spectra of (a) **3Pi**, (b) **3Pyr**, (c) **4Pi**, and (d) **4Pyr** in CHCl_3 at different concentrations (5.0×10^{-6} – 1.0×10^{-4} M).



FigureS6 Fluorescence decay profiles of (a) **3Pi**, (b) **3Pyr**, (c) **4Pi**, (d) **4Pyr** in crystalline state. The wavelength for excitation were set to 365 nm. The observed emission wavelengths (λ_{em}) are 565 nm for **3Pi**, 550 nm for **3Pyr**, 490 nm for **4Pi**, 510 nm for **4Pyr**



FigureS7 DTA curves of crystalline samples of (a) **3Pi**, (b) **3Pyr**, (c) **4Pi**, (d) **4Pyr**. Melting point (°C) of each compound is shown in the figure.

TableS1 Calculated electronic transitions of **x-NHPIs** in optimized S_1 geometry.

Compound	State	Transition wavelength (nm)	Oscillator strength	Orbitals		Assignment
3Pi	S_1	775.3	0.0000	HOMO	→ LUMO	CT($\pi-\pi^*$)
3Pyr	S_1	796.1	0.0000	HOMO	→ LUMO	CT($\pi-\pi^*$)
4Pi	S_1	458.5	0.0630	HOMO	→ LUMO	HLCT($\pi-\pi^*$)
4Pyr	S_1	445.2	0.0595	HOMO	→ LUMO	HLCT($\pi-\pi^*$)

TableS2 Ground and excited state dipole moments for **x-NHPIs**.

Compound	Slope ^a	a_0^b	$\mu_{g(cal)}^c$	$\mu_{e(exp)}^d$
		(A)	(D)	(D)
3Pi	7387	4.66	3.62	12.6
3Pyr	5816	4.50	4.06	11.3
4Pi	7494	4.59	4.87	13.4
4Pyr	7430	4.51	5.64	13.9

^a The slopes of the linear relations in Figure 4, ^b the dipole moment in S_0 state calculated by DFT calculations, ^c the Onsagar cavity radius obtained from Eq. (5), ^d the dipole moment in S_1 state obtained from Eqs. (1) and (3).

Table S3 Crystal data and structure refinement of **3Pi**.

Empirical formula	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ N ₂ O ₂	
Formula weight	312.4	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54186 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ /n	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 6.7785(2) Å	
	<i>b</i> = 9.8025(3) Å	β = 94.7017(18)°.
	<i>c</i> = 25.4462(7) Å	
Volume	1685.11(9) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	1.231 g/cm ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.636 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	672	
Crystal size	0.239 x 0.197 x 0.106 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.486 to 68.253°.	
Index ranges	-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8, -11 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 11, -30 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 30	
Reflections collected	29533	
Independent reflections	3080 [<i>R</i> (int) = 0.0422]	
Completeness to theta = 67.686°	99.9 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.936 and 0.815	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	3075 / 0 / 208	
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.125	
Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0357, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0971	
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0404, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1001	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.190 and -0.206 e.Å ⁻³	
CCDC number	1815929	

TableS4 Crystal data and structure refinement of **3Pyr**.

Empirical formula	$C_{18}H_{22}N_2O_2$	
Formula weight	298.37	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54186 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	$P2_1/c$	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 10.7455(9)$ Å	
	$b = 26.6113(17)$ Å	$= 99.080(4)^\circ$.
	$c = 10.8489(7)$ Å	
Volume	$3063.4(4)$ Å ³	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	1.294 g/cm ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.675 mm ⁻¹	
$F(000)$	1280	
Crystal size	0.338 x 0.099 x 0.098 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	4.166 to 68.247°.	
Index ranges	$-12 \leq h \leq 12$, $-32 \leq k \leq 32$, $-13 \leq l \leq 12$	
Reflections collected	34608	
Independent reflections	5591 [$R(\text{int}) = 0.1072$]	
Completeness to $\theta = 67.686^\circ$	100.00 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.937 and 0.664	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	
Data / restraints / parameters	5591 / 0 / 397	
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	0.833	
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0489$, $wR_2 = 0.0944$	
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0917$, $wR_2 = 0.1187$	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.241 and -0.232 e.Å ⁻³	
CCDC number	1815930	

Table S5 Crystal data and structure refinement of **4Pi**.

Empirical formula	$C_{19}H_{24}N_2O_2$	
Formula weight	312.4	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54186 Å	
Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	$P\bar{1}$	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 5.26649(14)$ Å	$\alpha = 72.6185(17)^\circ$.
	$b = 10.6373(3)$ Å	$= 89.9112(17)^\circ$.
	$c = 15.2944(5)$ Å	$\gamma = 83.0728(16)^\circ$.
Volume	811.18(4) Å ³	
Z	2	
Density (calculated)	1.279 g/cm ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.660 mm ⁻¹	
$F(000)$	336	
Crystal size	0.324 x 0.058 x 0.055 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.030 to 68.139°.	
Index ranges	$-6 \leq h \leq 6$, $-12 \leq k \leq 12$, $-18 \leq l \leq 18$	
Reflections collected	9616	
Independent reflections	2924 [$R(\text{int}) = 0.0671$]	
Completeness to $\theta = 67.686^\circ$	98.40 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.965 and 0.736	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	
Data / restraints / parameters	2924 / 0 / 304	
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	0.968	
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0530$, $wR_2 = 0.1298$	
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0677$, $wR_2 = 0.1497$	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.253 and -0.234 e.Å ⁻³	
CCDC number	1815931	

TableS6 Crystal data and structure refinement of 4Pyr.

Empirical formula	$C_{18}H_{22}N_2O_2$	
Formula weight	298.37	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54186 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	$P 2_1/c$	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 5.1353(2)$ Å	
	$b = 10.3387(4)$ Å	$\beta = 92.523(3)^\circ$.
	$c = 29.0552(12)$ Å	
Volume	1541.11(10) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	1.286 g/cm ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.671 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	640	
Crystal size	0.271 x 0.106 x 0.100 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.045 to 68.220°.	
Index ranges	$-6 \leq h \leq 6$, $-12 \leq k \leq 12$, $-34 \leq l \leq 34$	
Reflections collected	17004	
Independent reflections	2818 [$R(\text{int}) = 0.0540$]	
Completeness to theta = 67.686°	100.00 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.936 and 0.0481104	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	
Data / restraints / parameters	2818 / 0 / 287	
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	0.961	
Final <i>R</i> indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0396$, $wR_2 = 0.0862$	
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0504$, $wR_2 = 0.0906$	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.233 and -0.161 e.Å ⁻³	
CCDC number	1815932	