

**Unravelling the solvent polarity effect on the excited state intramolecular proton *transfer* mechanism of the 1- and 2-salicylideneanthrylamine. A TD-DFT case study.**

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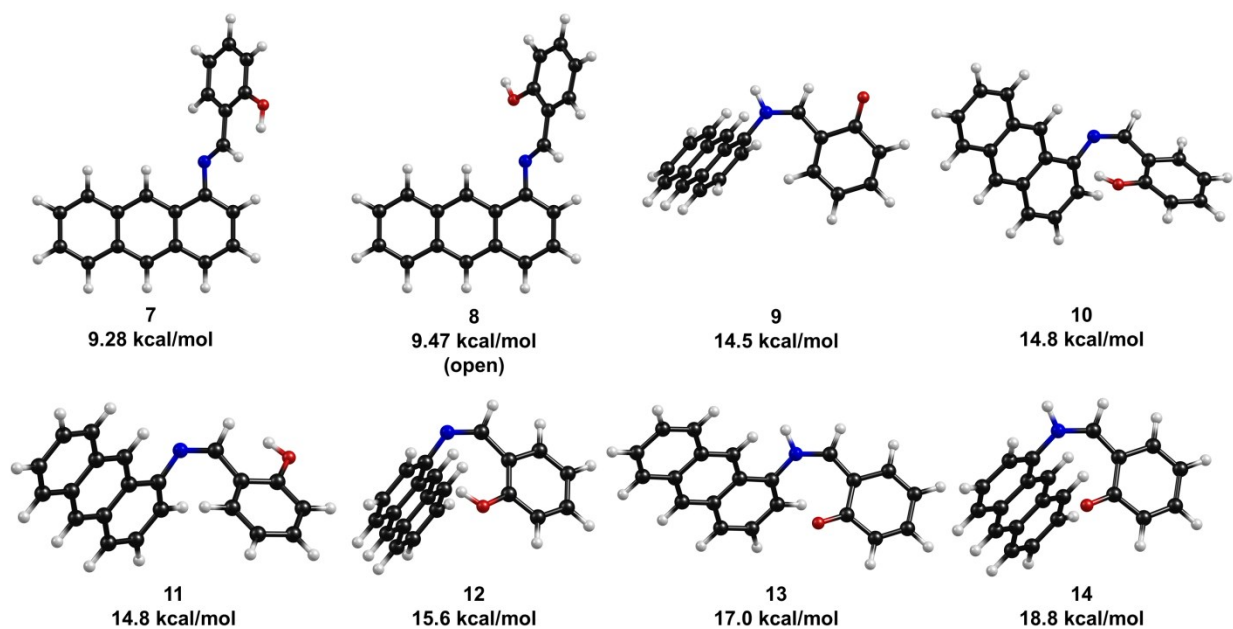
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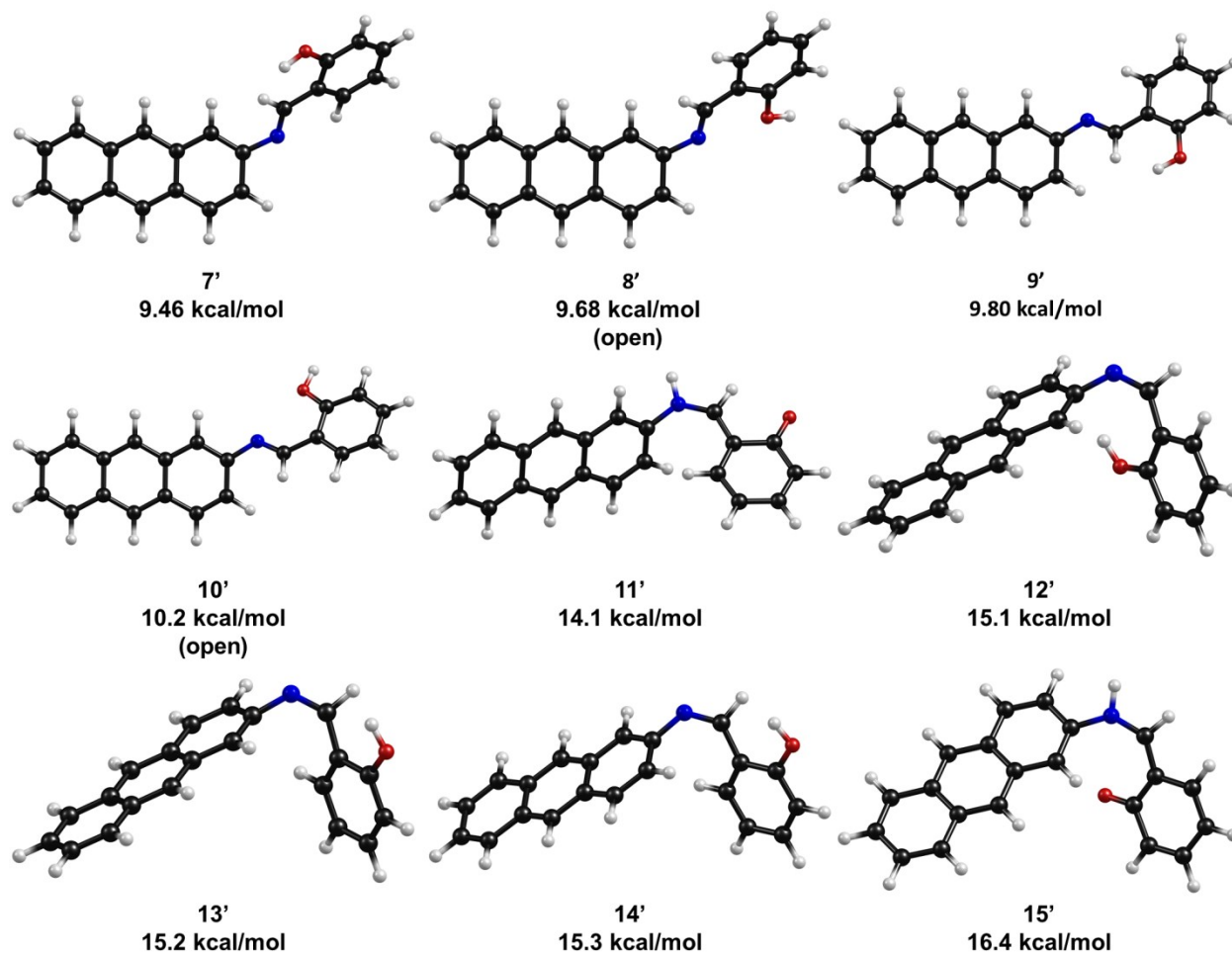
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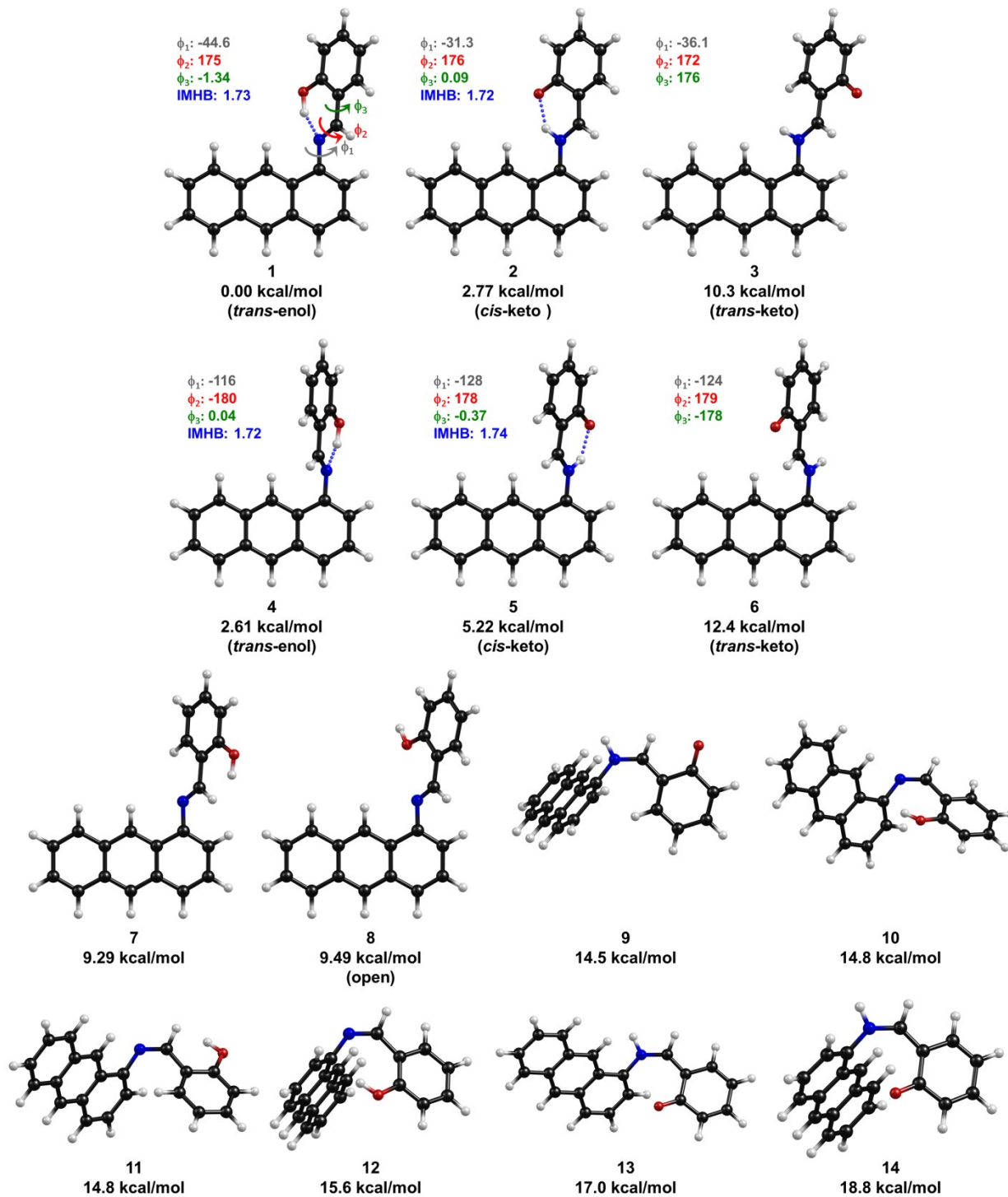
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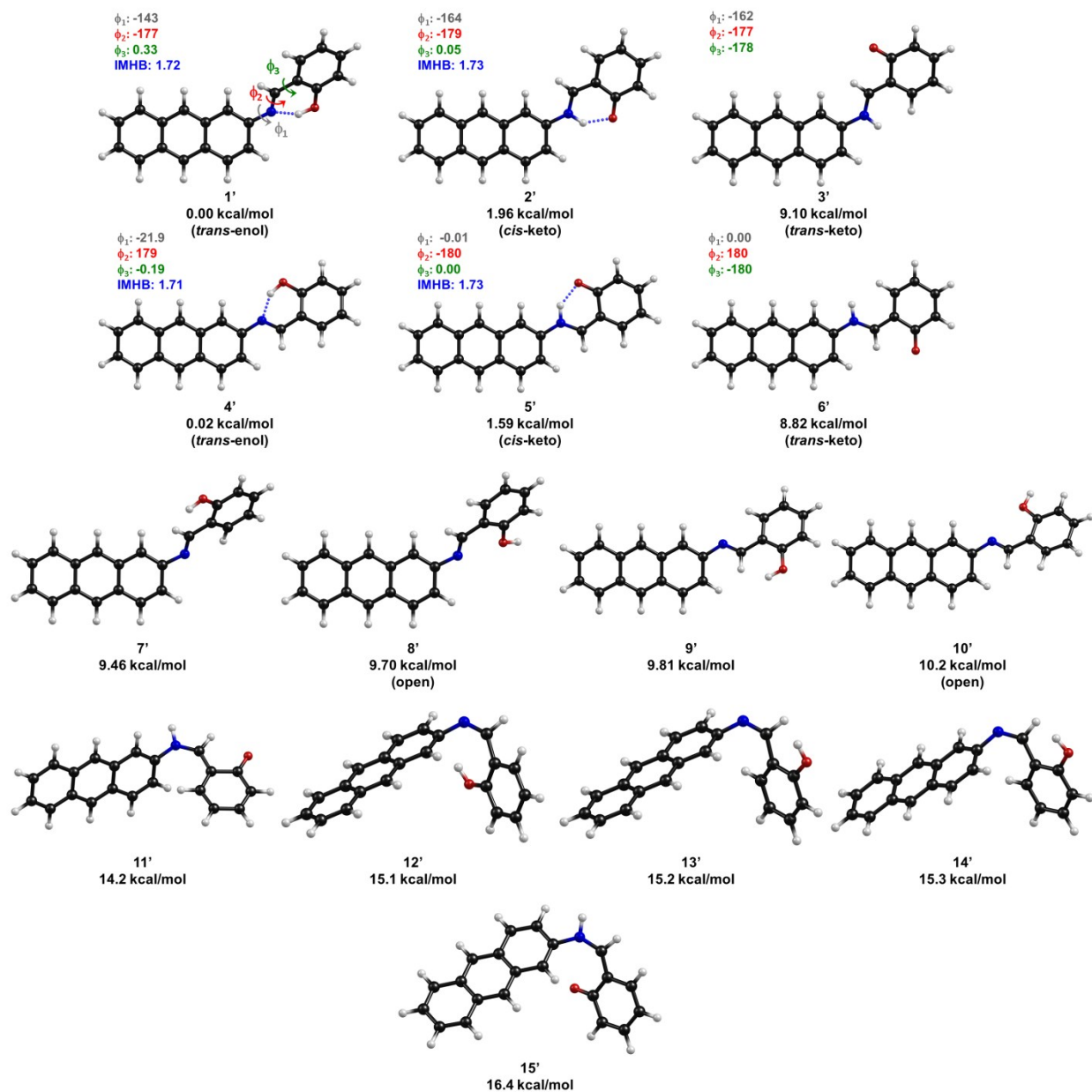
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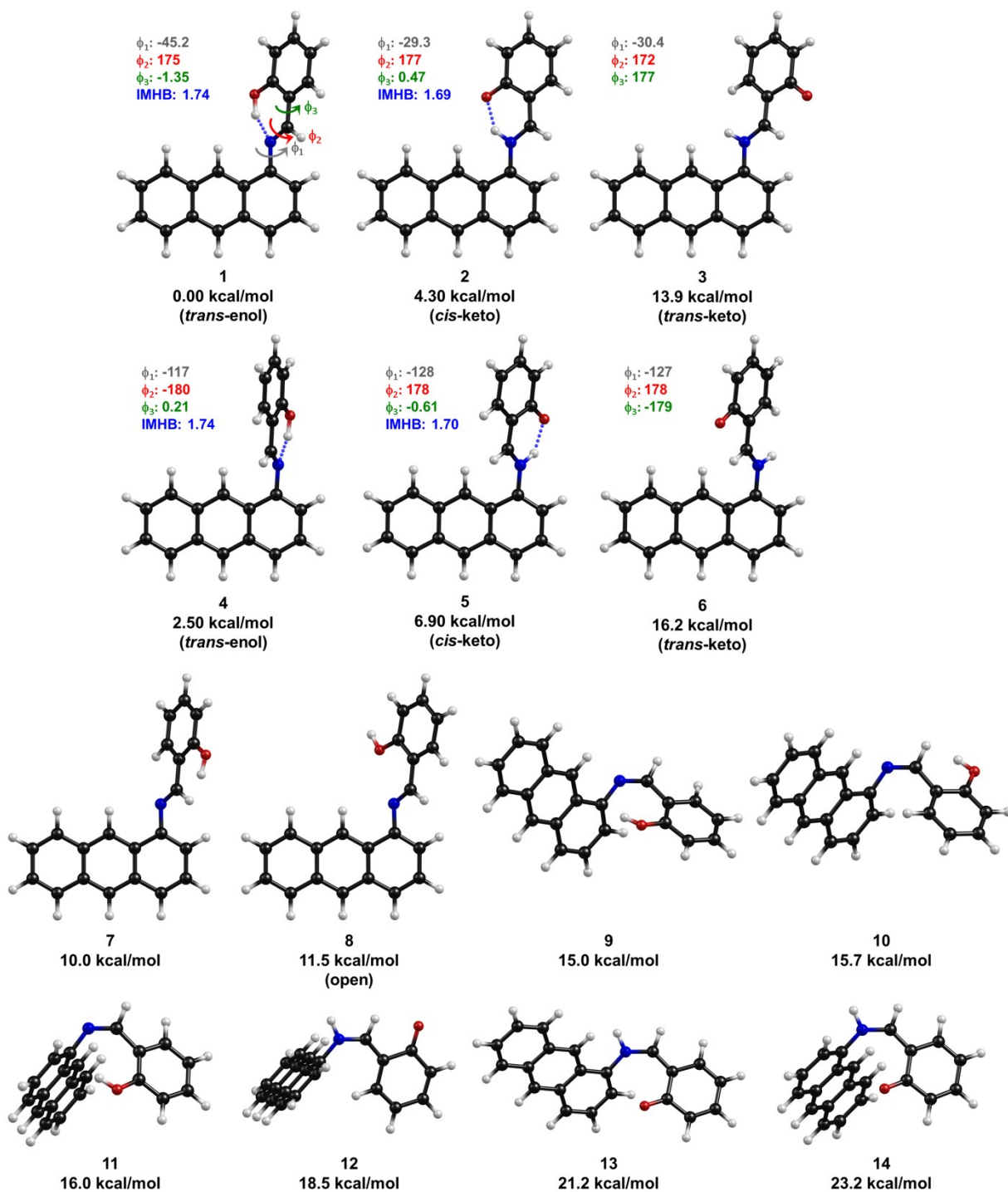
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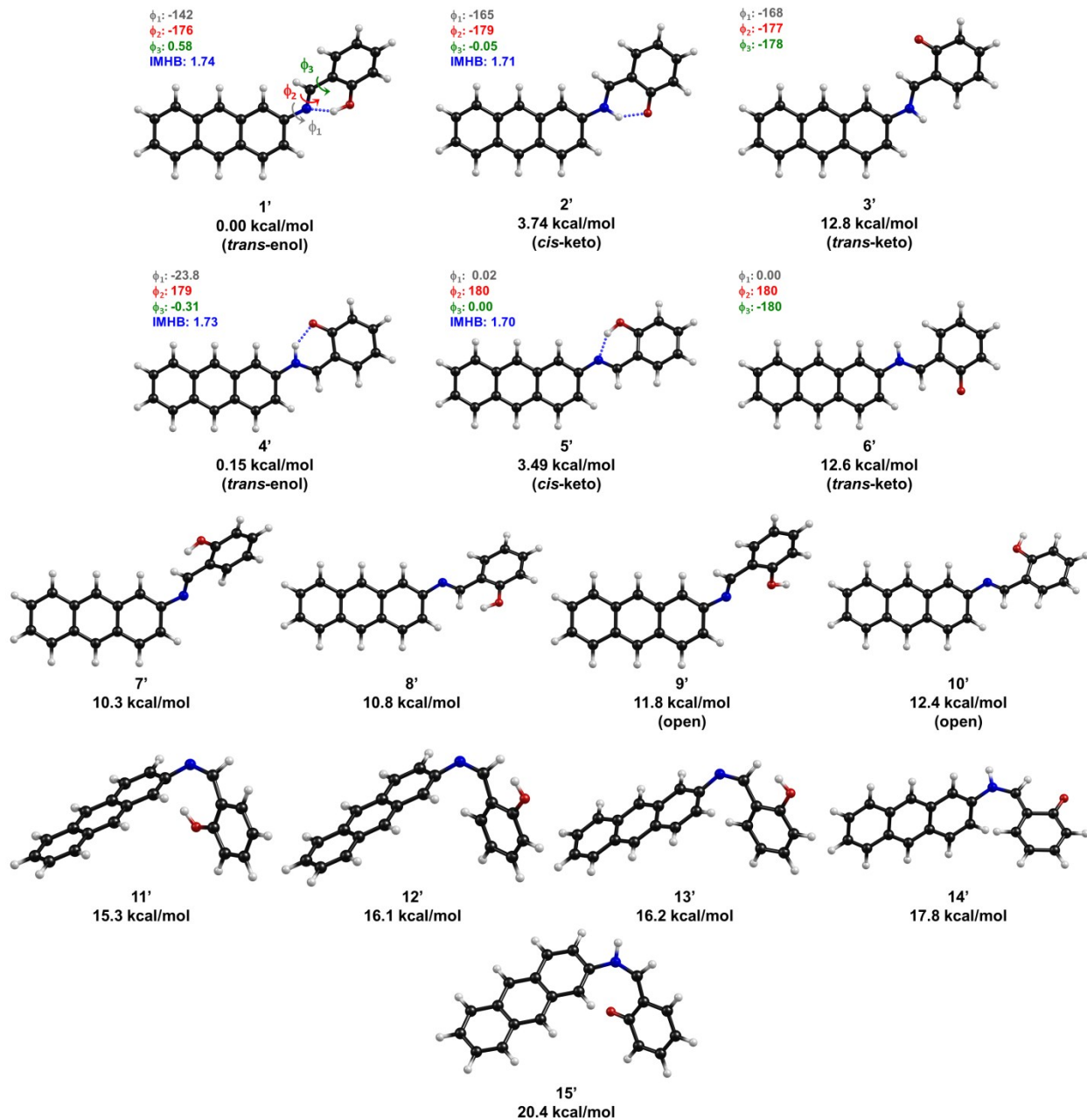


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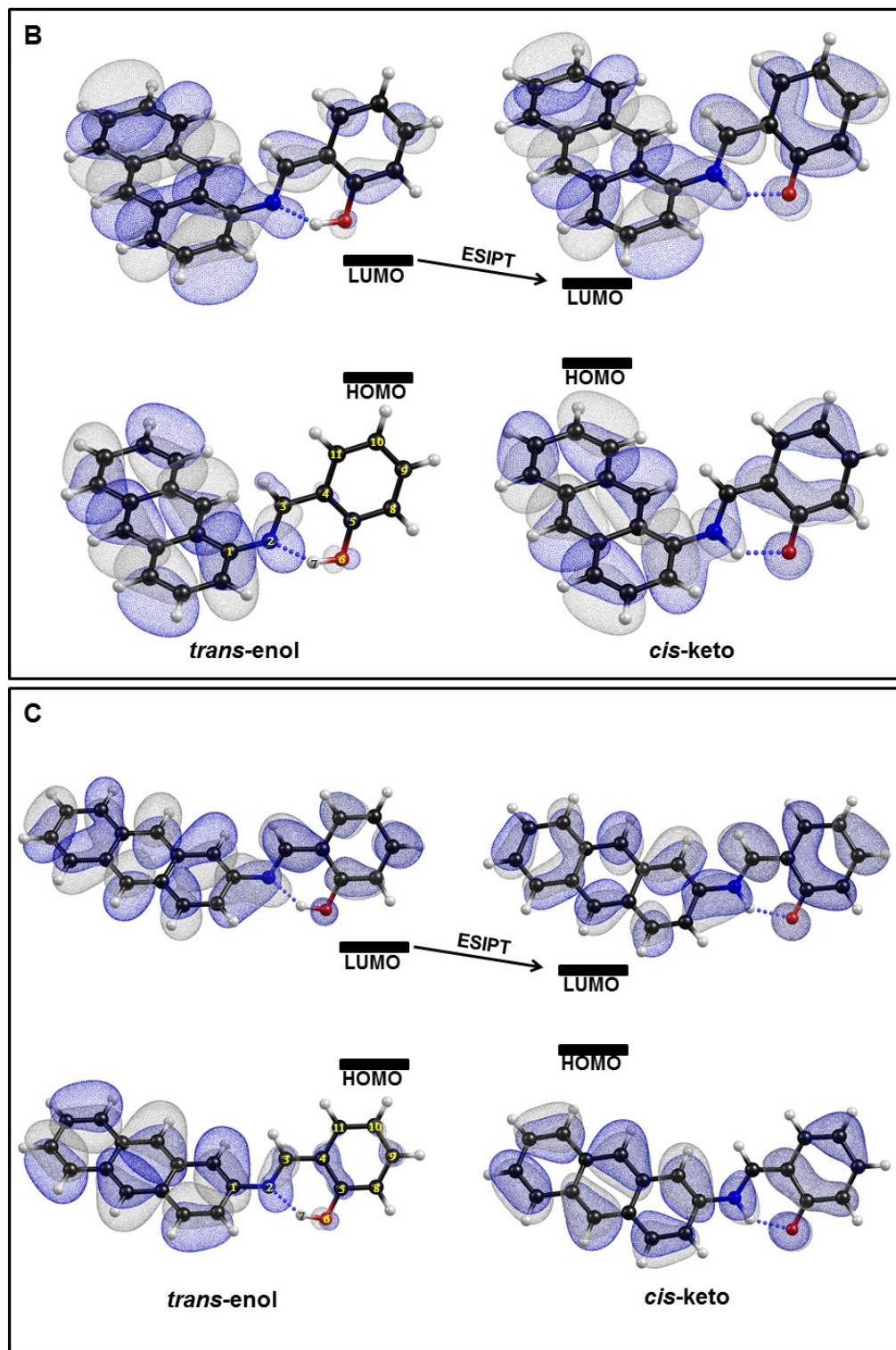




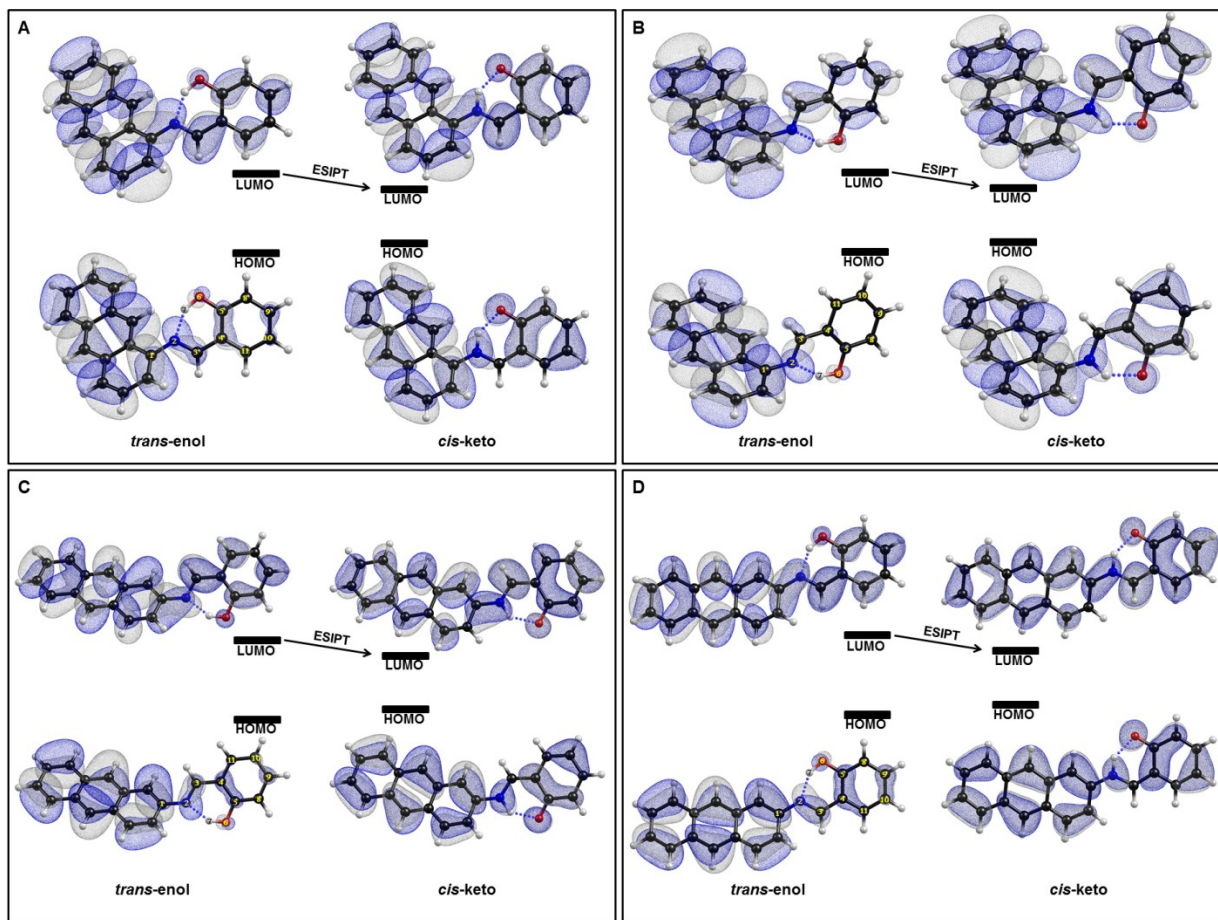
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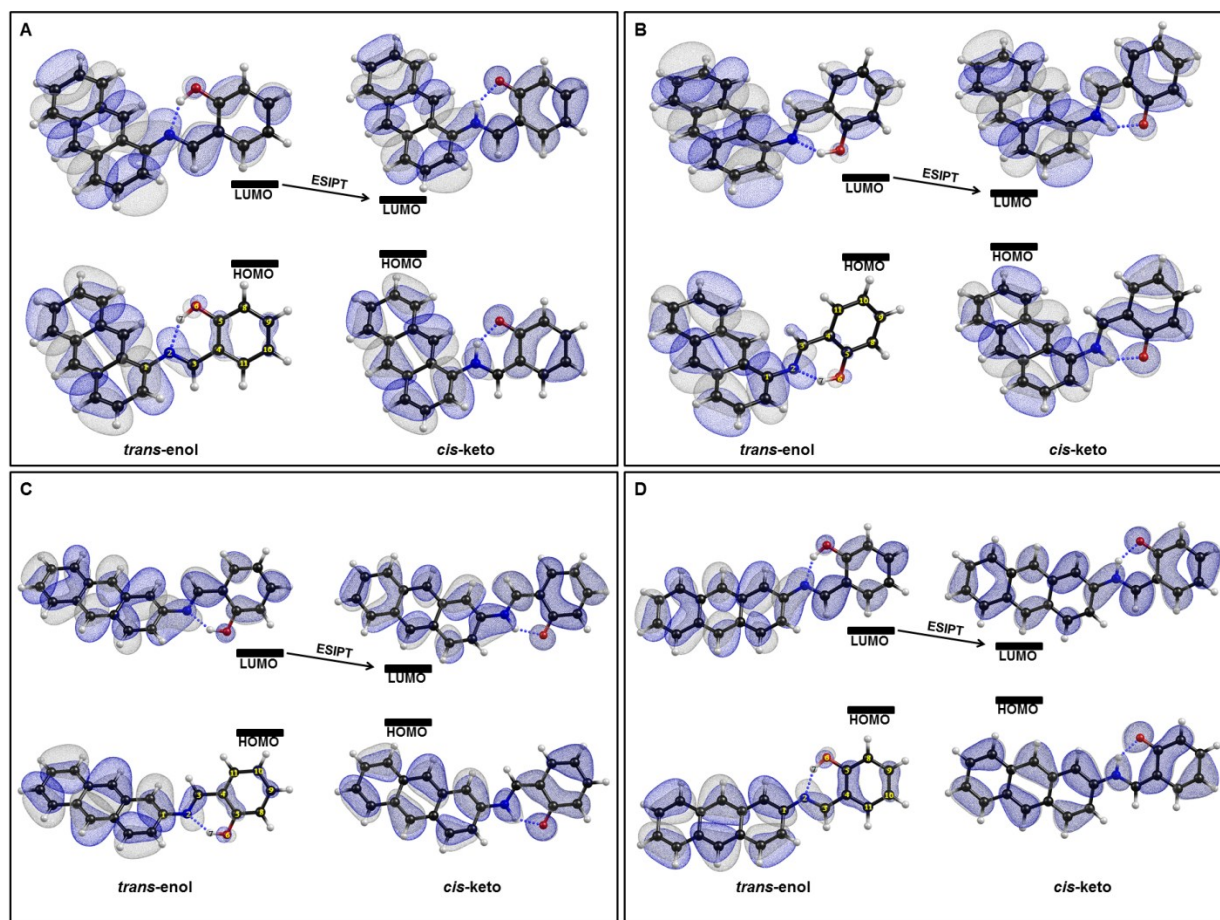
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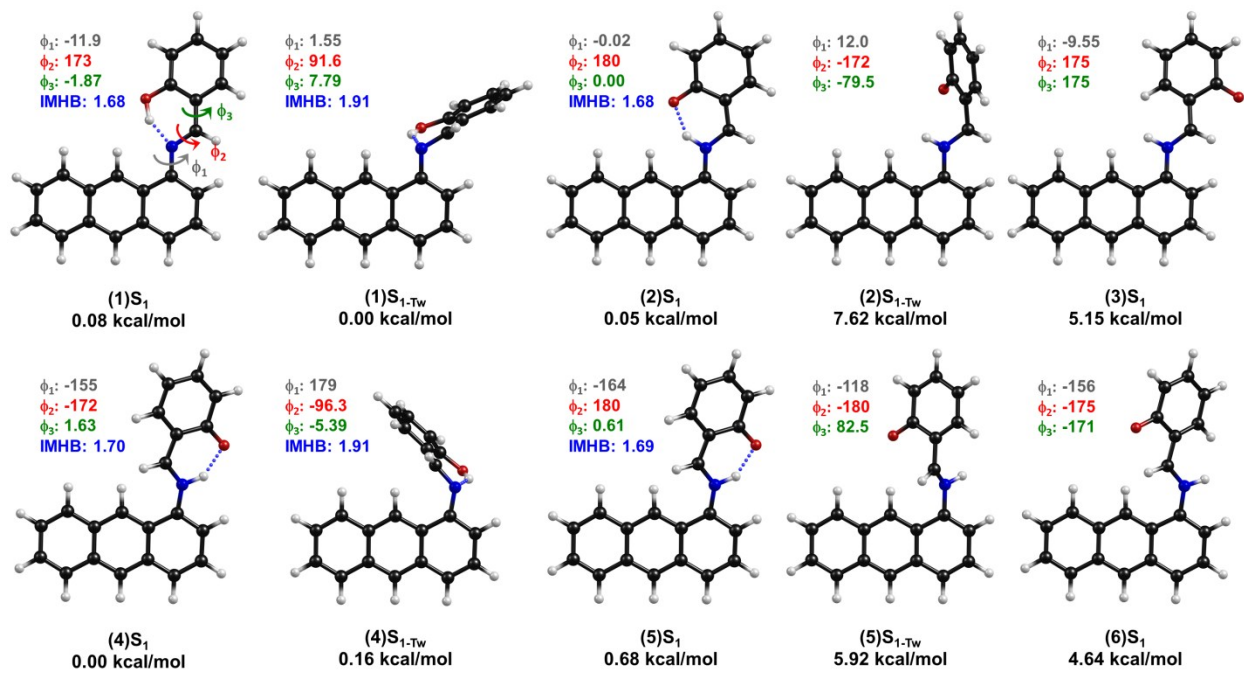
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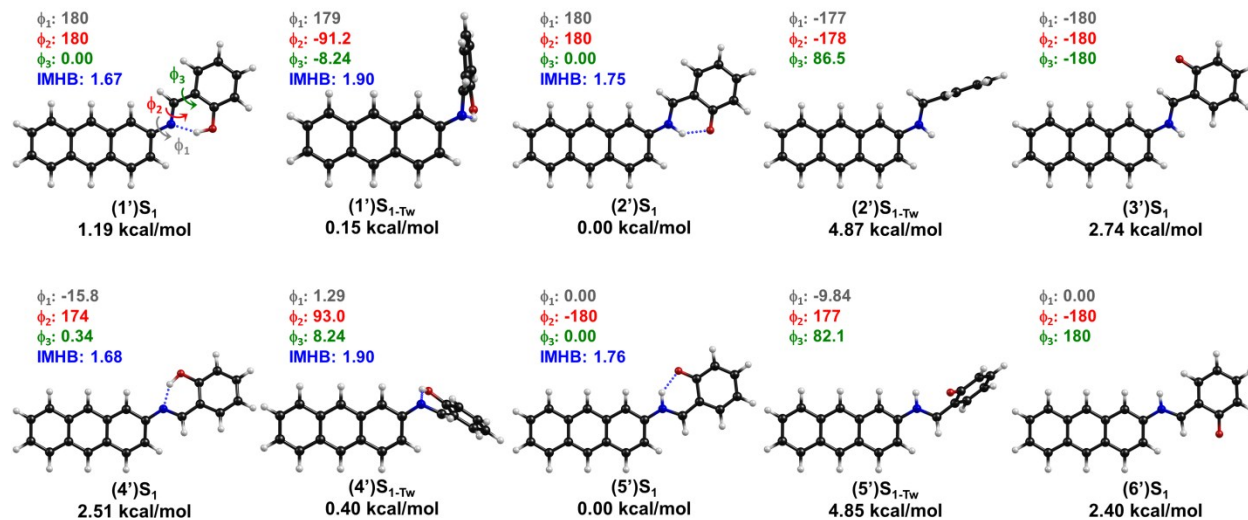
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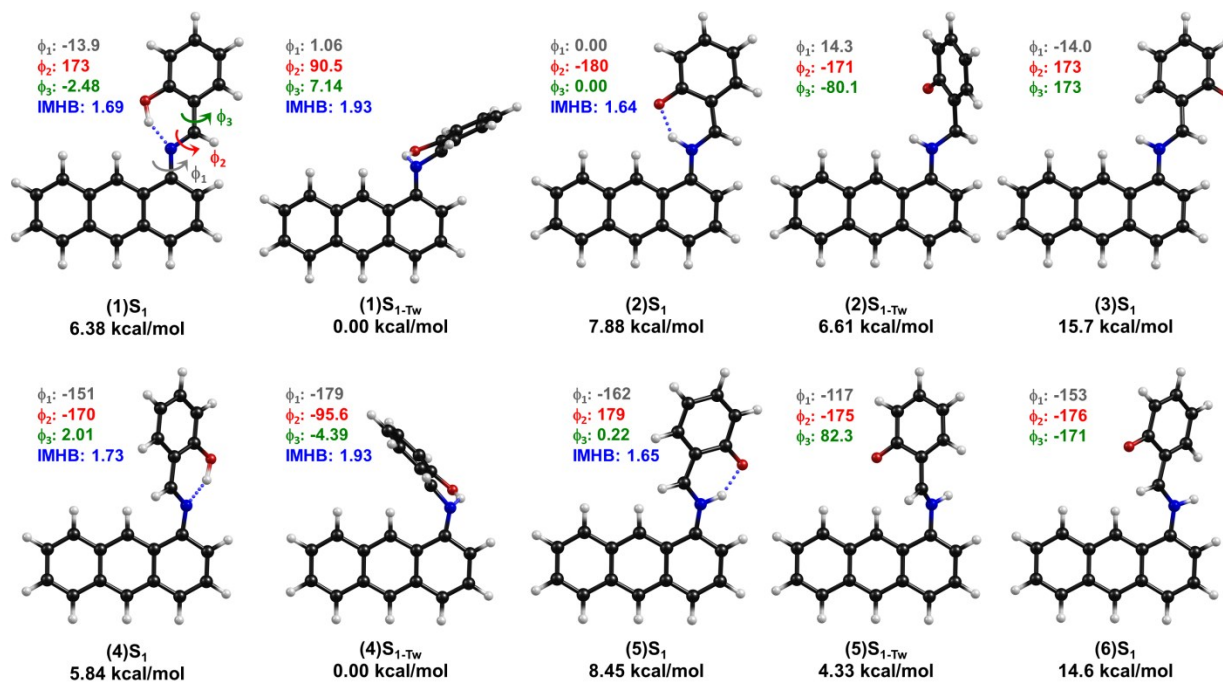
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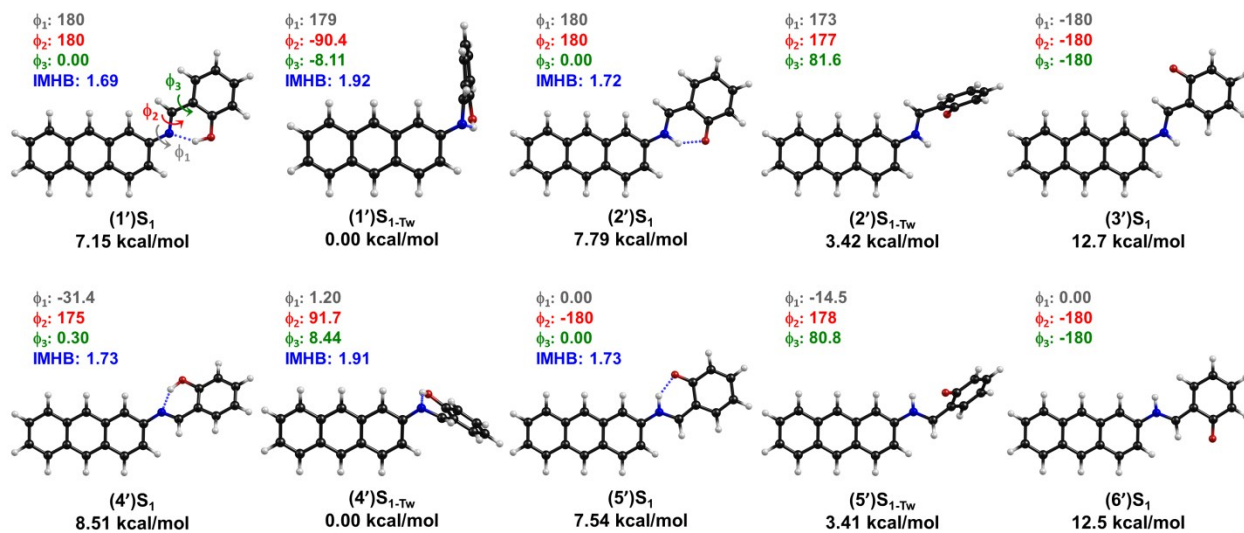
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$\phi_1$	-44.63	-11.91	-31.30	-0.02	-36.08	-9.553	-115.9	-155.2	-127.7	-163.8	-124.0	-156.1
$\phi_2$	175.2	173.1	176.2	180.0	172.2	174.6	-179.8	-171.6	178.2	180.0	179.2	-175.3
$\phi_3$	-1.341	-1.866	0.091	0.003	175.9	175.4	0.038	1.628	-0.368	0.614	-177.9	-170.7
<b>Cyclohexane</b>												
	<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>		<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>	
<b>Structural parameters</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(1)S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>2</b>	<b>(2)S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>3</b>	<b>(3)S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>(4)S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>5</b>	<b>(5)S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>6</b>	<b>(6)S<sub>1</sub></b>
C <sub>1</sub> -N <sub>2</sub>	1.405	1.348	1.409	1.350	1.414	1.382	1.414	1.349	1.421	1.361	1.427	1.386
N <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	1.289	1.325	1.328	1.352	1.343	1.342	1.286	1.317	1.327	1.346	1.343	1.344
C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.450	1.425	1.399	1.405	1.383	1.416	1.452	1.427	1.400	1.409	1.384	1.417
C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	1.420	1.424	1.465	1.469	1.485	1.473	1.420	1.422	1.464	1.469	1.484	1.473
C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>8</sub>	1.399	1.391	1.439	1.428	1.459	1.424	1.400	1.391	1.440	1.430	1.459	1.424
C <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>9</sub>	1.388	1.383	1.370	1.370	1.360	1.387	1.388	1.384	1.369	1.370	1.360	1.387
C <sub>9</sub> -C <sub>10</sub>	1.401	1.400	1.425	1.414	1.436	1.394	1.401	1.399	1.425	1.413	1.435	1.394
C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>11</sub>	1.385	1.375	1.368	1.373	1.361	1.403	1.385	1.376	1.368	1.375	1.361	1.403
C <sub>11</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.408	1.412	1.427	1.413	1.435	1.390	1.407	1.411	1.427	1.410	1.435	1.391
C <sub>5</sub> -O <sub>6</sub>	1.345	1.339	1.267	1.268	1.242	1.254	1.344	1.341	1.266	1.264	1.242	1.254
O <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	0.993	0.997	1.689	1.639	----	----	0.994	0.991	1.703	1.654	----	----
N <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	1.743	1.689	1.043	1.047	1.011		1.740	1.732	1.043	1.048	1.011	1.014
$\phi_1$	-45.21	-13.90	-29.27	0.001	-30.38	-14.00	-116.7	-151.1	-128.1	-162.1	-127.0	-152.6
$\phi_2$	175.3	172.8	176.9	-180.0	171.9	173.4	-179.6	-170.8	177.8	178.8	178.0	-176.2
$\phi_3$	-1.345	-2.480	0.476	0.002	176.8	172.9	0.209	2.009	-0.610	0.222	-179.1	-171.3
<b>2-AntSA</b>												
<b>Acetonitrile</b>												
	<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>		<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>	
<b>Structural parameters</b>	<b>1'</b>	<b>(1')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>2'</b>	<b>(2')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>3'</b>	<b>(3')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>4'</b>	<b>(4')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>5'</b>	<b>(5')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>6'</b>	<b>(6')S<sub>1</sub></b>
C <sub>1</sub> -N <sub>2</sub>	1.407	1.350	1.408	1.355	1.414	1.377	1.406	1.355	1.408	1.358	1.412	1.379
N <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	1.289	1.327	1.325	1.352	1.334	1.345	1.291	1.318	1.325	1.351	1.333	1.346
C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.451	1.425	1.405	1.411	1.390	1.417	1.451	1.427	1.405	1.414	1.392	1.418
C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	1.420	1.426	1.461	1.473	1.478	1.476	1.420	1.425	1.461	1.477	1.477	1.477
C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>8</sub>	1.399	1.392	1.437	1.428	1.453	1.424	1.399	1.392	1.437	1.426	1.452	1.422
C <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>9</sub>	1.389	1.384	1.373	1.374	1.364	1.385	1.389	1.384	1.373	1.378	1.365	1.389
C <sub>9</sub> -C <sub>10</sub>	1.401	1.401	1.422	1.410	1.431	1.397	1.401	1.400	1.422	1.406	1.430	1.395
C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>11</sub>	1.386	1.376	1.370	1.381	1.364	1.399	1.386	1.376	1.370	1.387	1.365	1.403
C <sub>11</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.408	1.413	1.426	1.407	1.433	1.393	1.408	1.412	1.426	1.402	1.432	1.392
C <sub>5</sub> -O <sub>6</sub>	1.348	1.340	1.273	1.267	1.252	1.258	1.348	1.341	1.273	1.267	1.254	1.259
O <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	0.997	1.003	1.731	1.748	----	----	0.999	1.001	1.731	1.756	----	----
N <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	1.722	1.667	1.039	1.037	1.012	1.013	1.711	1.678	1.039	1.035	1.013	1.013
$\phi_1$	-143.1	180.0	-163.6	180.0	-161.9	-179.8	-21.87	-15.86	-0.008	0.000	0.001	0.000
$\phi_2$	-176.5	180.0	-178.5	180.0	-177.0	-179.8	178.9	174.1	180.0	-180.0	180.0	180.0
$\phi_3$	0.331	-0.001	0.050	0.001	-177.6	-179.9	-0.191	0.344	-0.003	0.000	-180.0	-180.0
<b>Methanol</b>												
	<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>		<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>	
<b>Structural</b>	<b>1'</b>	<b>(1')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>2'</b>	<b>(2')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>3'</b>	<b>(3')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>4'</b>	<b>(4')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>5'</b>	<b>(5')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>6'</b>	<b>(6')S<sub>1</sub></b>

<b>parameters</b>												
C <sub>1</sub> -N <sub>2</sub>	1.407	1.350	1.410	1.355	1.414	1.377	1.406	1.355	1.408	1.358	1.412	1.379
N <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	1.290	1.327	1.325	1.352	1.334	1.345	1.291	1.318	1.325	1.351	1.333	1.346
C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.451	1.425	1.402	1.411	1.390	1.417	1.451	1.427	1.404	1.414	1.392	1.418
C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	1.420	1.426	1.462	1.473	1.478	1.476	1.420	1.425	1.461	1.477	1.477	1.477
C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>8</sub>	1.399	1.392	1.438	1.428	1.453	1.424	1.399	1.392	1.437	1.426	1.452	1.422
C <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>9</sub>	1.389	1.384	1.372	1.374	1.364	1.385	1.389	1.384	1.373	1.378	1.365	1.389
C <sub>9</sub> -C <sub>10</sub>	1.401	1.401	1.423	1.410	1.431	1.397	1.401	1.400	1.422	1.406	1.430	1.395
C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>11</sub>	1.386	1.376	1.369	1.381	1.364	1.399	1.386	1.376	1.370	1.387	1.365	1.403
C <sub>11</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.408	1.413	1.427	1.407	1.433	1.393	1.408	1.412	1.426	1.402	1.432	1.391
C <sub>5</sub> -O <sub>6</sub>	1.348	1.340	1.272	1.267	1.252	1.258	1.348	1.341	1.273	1.267	1.253	1.259
O <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	0.997	1.003	1.739	1.748	----	----	0.999	1.001	1.731	1.756	----	----
N <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	1.722	1.667	1.038	1.037	1.013	1.013	1.711	1.678	1.039	1.035	1.013	1.013
φ <sub>1</sub>	-143.1	180.0	-163.6	180.0	-161.8	-179.8	-21.87	-15.86	-0.012	0.000	0.001	0.001
φ <sub>2</sub>	-176.5	180.0	-178.6	180.0	-177.0	-179.8	178.9	174.1	-180.0	-180.0	180.0	-180.0
φ <sub>3</sub>	0.331	0.000	0.054	0.001	-177.5	-179.9	-0.191	0.344	0.001	0.000	-180.0	180.0
<b>Cyclohexane</b>												
	<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>		<i>trans-enol</i>		<i>cis-keto</i>		<i>trans-keto</i>	
<b>Structural parameters</b>	<b>1'</b>	<b>(1')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>2'</b>	<b>(2')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>3'</b>	<b>(3')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>4'</b>	<b>(4')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>5'</b>	<b>(5')S<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>6'</b>	<b>(6')S<sub>1</sub></b>
C <sub>1</sub> -N <sub>2</sub>	1.407	1.357	1.407	1.362	1.411	1.386	1.406	1.378	1.405	1.366	1.40948	1.38814
N <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	1.289	1.319	1.329	1.346	1.342	1.339	1.291	1.295	1.328	1.344	1.34130	1.33999
C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.450	1.429	1.398	1.416	1.382	1.420	1.450	1.440	1.400	1.421	1.38340	1.42156
C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	1.420	1.423	1.467	1.473	1.486	1.472	1.421	1.416	1.466	1.474	1.48514	1.47176
C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>8</sub>	1.400	1.393	1.441	1.430	1.459	1.422	1.400	1.394	1.440	1.426	1.45816	1.41856
C <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>9</sub>	1.388	1.383	1.369	1.376	1.360	1.390	1.388	1.382	1.369	1.383	1.36038	1.39498
C <sub>9</sub> -C <sub>10</sub>	1.401	1.400	1.426	1.405	1.436	1.391	1.401	1.397	1.425	1.398	1.43508	1.38723
C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>11</sub>	1.385	1.376	1.367	1.388	1.361	1.406	1.385	1.378	1.368	1.398	1.36153	1.41121
C <sub>11</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.408	1.410	1.428	1.399	1.435	1.387	1.408	1.405	1.427	1.392	1.43457	1.38465
C <sub>5</sub> -O <sub>6</sub>	1.344	1.337	1.265	1.263	1.242	1.255	1.344	1.339	1.266	1.264	1.24248	1.25746
O <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	0.994	0.999	1.708	1.718	----	----	0.996	0.992	1.697	1.726	----	----
N <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>7</sub>	1.740	1.689	1.041	1.042	1.011	1.012	1.729	1.725	1.044	1.040	1.01192	1.01242
φ <sub>1</sub>	-141.8	180.0	-165.2	180.0	-167.8	-179.8	-23.84	-31.41	0.017	0.001	0.000	0.005
φ <sub>2</sub>	-176.4	180.0	-178.5	180.0	-177.1	-179.9	178.7	174.5	180.0	-180.0	180.0	-179.999
φ <sub>3</sub>	0.576	-0.004	-0.051	-0.003	-178.1	-179.9	-0.305	0.285	0.000	0.002	-180.0	-179.989

**Table S2** Excitation energies (eV), oscillator strengths  $f$  and largest excitation coefficients for the *trans-enol*, *cis-keto* and *trans-keto* forms of 1-AntSA and 2-AntSA in **A** methanol and **B** cyclohexane computed at the PCM/TD/CAM-B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) level of theory.

	1-AntSA					2-AntSA				
A. Methanol										
Compound	State	Transition	Coefficient	Energy	$f$	State	Transition	Coefficient	Energy	$f$
<b>1 (1')<sup>a</sup></b> ( <i>trans-enol</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.68	3.28	0.3832	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.67	3.35	0.1892
	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.59	3.88	0.1329	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.49	3.83	0.0987
	S <sub>3</sub>	78 → 81	0.47	3.99	0.0070	S <sub>3</sub>	77 → 79	0.56	3.93	1.0273
<b>2 (2')</b> ( <i>cis-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.64	3.05	0.5349	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.61	3.03	0.6728
	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.53	3.45	0.0181	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.54	3.41	0.1128
	S <sub>3</sub>	74 → 79	0.47	3.88	0.0077	S <sub>3</sub>	78 → 80	0.47	3.77	0.0162
<b>3 (3')</b> ( <i>trans-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.62	2.93	0.6470	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.60	2.87	0.6288
	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.48	3.42	0.0390	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.49	3.39	0.1608
	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.59	3.63	0.0008	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.63	3.59	0.0014
<b>4 (4')</b> ( <i>trans-enol</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.69	3.36	0.2280	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.67	3.34	0.3284
	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.63	3.78	0.0203	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.59	3.71	0.3260
	S <sub>3</sub>	78 → 81	0.52	3.99	0.0122	S <sub>3</sub>	77 → 79	0.61	3.92	0.8862
<b>5 (5')</b> ( <i>cis-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.61	3.22	0.4963	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.61	3.06	0.6930
	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.47	3.48	0.0231	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.53	3.47	0.2035
	S <sub>3</sub>	78 → 80	0.39	3.83	0.0047	S <sub>3</sub>	77 → 79	0.42	3.70	0.0430
<b>6 (6')</b> ( <i>trans-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.55	3.06	0.4641	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.60	2.90	0.9012
	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.49	3.43	0.0586	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.56	3.42	0.0684
	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.59	3.67	0.0001	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.64	3.62	0.0001
A. Cyclohexane										
<b>1 (1')</b> ( <i>trans-enol</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.68	3.26	0.4054	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.67	3.34	0.2039
	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.58	3.85	0.1233	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.52	3.83	0.1621
	S <sub>3</sub>	78 → 81	0.48	3.98	0.0048	S <sub>3</sub>	77 → 79	0.57	3.89	0.9548
<b>2 (2')</b> ( <i>cis-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.64	2.99	0.5558	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.63	2.98	0.7245
	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.55	3.41	0.0215	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.56	3.40	0.0960
	S <sub>3</sub>	74 → 79	0.51	3.75	0.0011	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.59	3.71	0.0061
<b>3 (3')</b> ( <i>trans-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.63	2.88	0.6742	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.62	2.84	0.6483
	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.43	3.40	0.0295	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.45	3.38	0.1459
	S <sub>3</sub>	76 → 79	0.49	3.42	0.0074	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.56	3.39	0.0379
<b>4 (4')</b> ( <i>trans-enol</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.69	3.35	0.2482	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.67	3.32	0.3549
	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.63	3.75	0.0218	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.60	3.70	0.4262
	S <sub>3</sub>	78 → 81	0.52	3.98	0.0101	S <sub>3</sub>	77 → 79	0.60	3.89	0.7539
<b>5 (5')</b> ( <i>cis-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.60	3.18	0.5275	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.62	3.00	0.7227
	S <sub>2</sub>	77 → 79	0.49	3.46	0.0211	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.54	3.44	0.1973
	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 80	0.38	3.75	0.0014	S <sub>3</sub>	77 → 79	0.46	3.70	0.0465
<b>6 (6')</b> ( <i>trans-keto</i> )	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.58	3.01	0.5053	S <sub>1</sub>	78 → 79	0.61	2.90	0.9040
	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.45	3.41	0.0537	S <sub>2</sub>	78 → 80	0.56	3.39	0.0750
	S <sub>3</sub>	76 → 79	0.53	3.46	0.0002	S <sub>3</sub>	75 → 79	0.62	3.43	0.0001

<sup>a</sup> The number in parenthesis corresponds to the conformers of 2-AntSA (right columns).

**Table S3.** TD-DFT first excited states relative energies (RE, kcal/mol), intramolecular hydrogen bond (IMHB, Å) and torsional angles ( $\phi_i$ , degrees) of the *trans*-enol ((**1**) $S_1$ , (**1'**) $S_1$ ), twisted-enol ((**1**) $S_{1-Tw}$ , (**1'**) $S_{1-Tw}$ ), *cis*-keto ((**2**) $S_1$ , (**2'**) $S_1$ ), twisted-keto ((**2**) $S_{1-Tw}$ , (**2'**) $S_{1-Tw}$ ) and *trans*-keto ((**3**) $S_1$ , (**3'**) $S_1$ ) forms.

1-AntSA <sup>a</sup>			
Structure	Acetonitrile	Methanol	Cyclohexane
( <b>1</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 0.04, IMHB: 1.68 $\phi_1$ : -11.9, $\phi_2$ : 173, $\phi_3$ : -1.87	RE: 0.08, IMHB: 1.68 $\phi_1$ : -11.9, $\phi_2$ : 173, $\phi_3$ : -1.87	RE: 6.38, IMHB: 1.69 $\phi_1$ : -13.9, $\phi_2$ : 173, $\phi_3$ : -2.48
( <b>1</b> ) $S_{1-Tw}$	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.90 $\phi_1$ : 1.55, $\phi_2$ : 91.6, $\phi_3$ : 7.79	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.91 $\phi_1$ : 1.54, $\phi_2$ : 91.6, $\phi_3$ : 7.78	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.93 $\phi_1$ : 1.06, $\phi_2$ : 90.5, $\phi_3$ : 7.14
( <b>2</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.68 $\phi_1$ : -0.02, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 0.05, IMHB: 1.68 $\phi_1$ : -0.02, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 7.88, IMHB: 1.64 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00
( <b>2</b> ) $S_{1-Tw}$	RE: 7.63 $\phi_1$ : 12.0, $\phi_2$ : -172, $\phi_3$ : -79.5	RE: 7.62 $\phi_1$ : 12.0, $\phi_2$ : -172, $\phi_3$ : -79.5	RE: 6.61 $\phi_1$ : 14.3, $\phi_2$ : -171, $\phi_3$ : -80.1
( <b>3</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 5.08 $\phi_1$ : -9.55, $\phi_2$ : 175, $\phi_3$ : 175	RE: 5.15 $\phi_1$ : -9.55, $\phi_2$ : 175, $\phi_3$ : 175	RE: 15.7 $\phi_1$ : -14.0, $\phi_2$ : 173, $\phi_3$ : 173
( <b>4</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.70 $\phi_1$ : -155, $\phi_2$ : -171, $\phi_3$ : 1.61	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.70 $\phi_1$ : -155, $\phi_2$ : -172, $\phi_3$ : 1.63	RE: 5.84, IMHB: 1.73 $\phi_1$ : -151, $\phi_2$ : -170, $\phi_3$ : 2.01
( <b>4</b> ) $S_{1-Tw}$	RE: 0.21, IMHB: 1.91 $\phi_1$ : 179, $\phi_2$ : -96.3, $\phi_3$ : -5.38	RE: 0.16, IMHB: 1.91 $\phi_1$ : 179, $\phi_2$ : -96.3, $\phi_3$ : -5.39	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.93 $\phi_1$ : -179, $\phi_2$ : -95.6, $\phi_3$ : -4.39
( <b>5</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 0.67, IMHB: 1.69 $\phi_1$ : -164, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.62	RE: 0.68, IMHB: 1.69 $\phi_1$ : -164, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.61	RE: 8.45, IMHB: 1.65 $\phi_1$ : -162, $\phi_2$ : 179, $\phi_3$ : 0.22
( <b>5</b> ) $S_{1-Tw}$	RE: 5.98 $\phi_1$ : -118, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 82.5	RE: 5.92 $\phi_1$ : -118, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 82.6	RE: 4.33 $\phi_1$ : -117, $\phi_2$ : -175, $\phi_3$ : 82.3
( <b>6</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 4.61 $\phi_1$ : -156, $\phi_2$ : -175, $\phi_3$ : -171	RE: 4.64 $\phi_1$ : -156, $\phi_2$ : -175, $\phi_3$ : -171	RE: 14.6 $\phi_1$ : -153, $\phi_2$ : -176, $\phi_3$ : -171
2-AntSA <sup>a</sup>			
Structure	Acetonitrile	Methanol	Cyclohexane
( <b>1'</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 1.21, IMHB: 1.67 $\phi_1$ : 180, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 1.19, IMHB: 1.67 $\phi_1$ : 180, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 7.15, IMHB: 1.69 $\phi_1$ : 180, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00
( <b>1'</b> ) $S_{1-Tw}$	RE: 0.21, IMHB: 1.90 $\phi_1$ : 178, $\phi_2$ : -91.2, $\phi_3$ : -8.28	RE: 0.15, IMHB: 1.90 $\phi_1$ : 179, $\phi_2$ : -91.2, $\phi_3$ : -8.24	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.92 $\phi_1$ : 179, $\phi_2$ : -90.4, $\phi_3$ : -8.11
( <b>2'</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.75 $\phi_1$ : 180, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.75 $\phi_1$ : 180, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 7.79, IMHB: 1.72 $\phi_1$ : 180, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00
( <b>2'</b> ) $S_{1-Tw}$	RE: 4.93 $\phi_1$ : -177, $\phi_2$ : -178, $\phi_3$ : 86.5	RE: 4.87 $\phi_1$ : -177, $\phi_2$ : -178, $\phi_3$ : 86.5	RE: 3.42 $\phi_1$ : 173, $\phi_2$ : 177, $\phi_3$ : 81.6
( <b>3'</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 2.72 $\phi_1$ : -180, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : -180	RE: 2.74 $\phi_1$ : -180, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : -180	RE: 12.7 $\phi_1$ : -180, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : -180
( <b>4'</b> ) $S_1$	RE: 2.52, IMHB: 1.68 $\phi_1$ : -15.9, $\phi_2$ : 174, $\phi_3$ : 0.34	RE: 2.51, IMHB: 1.68 $\phi_1$ : -15.8, $\phi_2$ : 174, $\phi_3$ : 0.34	RE: 8.51, IMHB: 1.73 $\phi_1$ : -31.4, $\phi_2$ : 175, $\phi_3$ : 0.30

<b>(4')S<sub>1-Tw</sub></b>	RE: 0.46, IMHB: 1.90 $\phi_1$ : 1.30, $\phi_2$ : 93.0, $\phi_3$ : 8.25	RE: 0.40, IMHB: 1.90 $\phi_1$ : 1.29, $\phi_2$ : 93.0, $\phi_3$ : 8.24	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.91 $\phi_1$ : 1.20, $\phi_2$ : 91.7, $\phi_3$ : 8.44
<b>(5')S<sub>1</sub></b>	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.76 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 0.00, IMHB: 1.76 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00	RE: 7.54, IMHB: 1.73 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 0.00
<b>(5')S<sub>1-Tw</sub></b>	RE: 4.91 $\phi_1$ : -9.82, $\phi_2$ : 177, $\phi_3$ : 82.0	RE: 4.85 $\phi_1$ : -9.84, $\phi_2$ : 177, $\phi_3$ : 82.1	RE: 3.41 $\phi_1$ : -14.5, $\phi_2$ : 178, $\phi_3$ : 80.8
<b>(6')S<sub>1</sub></b>	RE: 2.37 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : 180, $\phi_3$ : -180	RE: 2.40 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : 180	RE: 12.5 $\phi_1$ : 0.00, $\phi_2$ : -180, $\phi_3$ : -180

<sup>a</sup> Relative energies were calculated independently for conformers **1**, **4**, **1'** and **4'**, and their corresponding products using the most stable conformers as reference.