Supplementary Information

Disentanglement of Excited-State Dynamics with Implications for FRET Measurements: Two-Dimensional Electronic Spectroscopy of a BODIPY-Functionalized Cavitand

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S1. Synthesis Information

S1.1. Synthesis Scheme



Scheme S1. Synthesis of BODIPY-dye-substituted cavitand 1.

S1.2. Materials and General Methods

Compound names were generated using ChemDraw 15 software. All chemicals were purchased at reagent grade from Acros Organics, TCI Chemicals, Sigma Aldrich, or Strem Chemicals and used without further purification. "Oven-dried" glassware was dried at 110 °C for at least 12 h before use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF), toluene, and CH₂Cl₂ were dried according to published procedures.¹ Triethylamine and pyridine were distilled from CaH₂ and deoxygenated prior to use. Flash chromatography (FC) was performed using SiO₂ (60 Å, 0.040–0.063 mm, Sorbent Technologies) and thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using glass-backed plates (60 Å, hard layer, with 254 nm fluorescent indicator, Sorbent Technologies). ¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova 300, Varian Mercury 400, Varian AS 400, or Varian Inova 500 spectrometer. Spectra were recorded at 298 K unless otherwise noted; residual solvent peaks were used as internal references or tetramethylsilane was used as an external reference. Apparent resonance multiplicities are described as s (singlet), br s (broad singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), and br m (broad multiplet). Deuterated solvents were purchased from Cambridge Isotopes and used as received. UV/Vis spectra were recorded using a Cary 6000i UV/Vis/NIR spectrometer and a standard 3.5 mL quartz cell (4 optical windows) with a 10 mm path length at 293 K. The absorption maxima (λ_{max}) are reported in nm with the molar extinction coefficient (ε) in M⁻¹ cm⁻¹ in

parentheses; shoulders are indicated as sh. Mass spectrometry was performed by the Mass Spectrometry Service at the University of Florida, Gainesville or at the Mass Spectroscopy Facility at University of Chicago. High-resolution matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization (HR-MALDI-TOF) mass spectra were recorded on a Bruker Microflex LRF MALDI-TOF spectrometer using dithranol (DTL) as matrix (University of Florida). High-resolution electrospray ionization (HR-ESI-TOF) mass spectra were recorded on an Agilent 6220-ESI-TOF (University of Florida) or Agilent 6224-TOF-MS (University of Chicago) mass spectrometer. High-resolution atmospheric pressure chemical ionization (HR-APCI-TOF) mass spectra were recorded on an Agilent 6200-APCI-TOF (University of Florida). Isotope peaks with the highest relative abundance are reported.

S1.3. Synthesis Procedures

Compounds 4 and 8a are commercially available and were used as received. Compounds 3^{2-3} 8b,⁴ and 10^{5-6} and 11^7 are known and were prepared according to literature procedures.

10-(3,5-dimethyl-4-nitrophenyl)-5,5-difluoro-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-5*H*-4 λ^4 ,5 λ^4 -dipyrrolo[1,2-*c*:2',1'*f*][1,3,2]diazaborinine (5).



To a solution of 2,6-dimethyl-4-nitro-benzaldehyde (7.10 g, 39.4 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and 2,4dimethylpyrrole (8.10 mL, 78.8 mmol, 2.00 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.00 L) in a flame-dried, round-bottomed flask, trifluoroacetic acid (0.78 mL, 10.2 mmol, 0.26 equiv) was added dropwise. The resulting solution was stirred at rt for 3 h under N₂, during which, the solution changed from a clear and pale yellow to clear and bright orange, and was monitored by TLC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hex 2:1) for the consumption of 2,6dimethyl-4-nitro-benzaldehyde. A solution of DDQ (8.94 g, 39.4 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.00 L) was added slowly to the reaction mixture, and the resulting, cherry-red, clear solution was stirred under ambient atmosphere for 20 min. The organic solution was washed with water, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated to dryness in vacuo. The orange residue was suspended in toluene (2.00 L) under a nitrogen atmosphere and the suspension was de-gassed by bubbling N₂ for 15 min. Et₃N (38.0 mL, 272 mmol, 6.90 equiv), followed by BF₃ • Et₂O (49.5 mL, 396 mmol, 10.1 equiv) were added to the orange suspension via addition funnel. The resulting dark brown suspension was stirred for 30 min at rt, then washed with water (3 x 2.00 L). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by FC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hex 1:1) and recrystallization (CH₂Cl₂/hexanes) to afford **5** (9.54 g, 24.0 mmol, 61%) as blocky, bright orange crystals. $R_f = 0.40$ (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ = 7.11 (s, 2H, ArH), 6.01 (s, 2H, PyrH), 2.55 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.38 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.44 ppm (s, 6H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 156.4 (C_{Ar}), 152.3 (C_{Ar}), 142.9(C_{Ar}), 139.3 (C_{Ar}), 137.3 (C_{Ar}), 131.2 (C_{Ar}–H), 128.9 (C_{Ar}–H), 121.8 (C=C), 17.8 (CH₃), 15.1 (CH₃), 14.9 ppm (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz, CH₃); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –146.74 ppm (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz); HR-APCI-TOF: *m*/*z* (%): 398.1860 (50) [*M*+H]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₂₃BF₂N₃O₂⁺: 398.1851), 378.1798 (100) [*M*–F]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₂₂BFN₃O₂⁺: 378.1789).

10-(3,5-dimethyl-4-nitrophenyl)-5,5-difluoro-2,8-diiodo-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-5H-4 λ^4 ,5 λ^4 -dipyrrolo[1,2-c:2',1'-f][1,3,2]diazaborinine (6).



To a solution of **5** (9.54 g, 24.0 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.60 L) was added *N*-iodosuccinimide (21.6 g, 96.1 mmol, 4.00 equiv). The resulting, bright pink, clear solution was stirred at rt for 12 h, then the solvent was removed in vacuo. Purification of the crude product mixture by FC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:2) yielded **6** (14.6 g, 22.5 mmol, 93%) as a pink, crystalline solid. $R_f = 0.33$ (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.09$ (s, 2H, ArH), 2.65 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.39 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.46 ppm (s, 6H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): $\delta = 157.8$, 153.0, 145.7, 139.5, 137.1, 132.0, 131.4, 129.1, 86.3, 17.9, 17.8, 16.5 ppm (t, J = 2.5 Hz, CH₃); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -146.17$ ppm (q, J = 33.8 Hz); HR-ESI-MS: m/z (%): 649.9773 (100, $[M+H]^+$, calcd for C₂₁H₂₁BF₂I₂N₃O₂⁺: 649.9784).

4-(5,5-difluoro-2,8-diiodo-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-5*H*-4 λ^4 ,5 λ^4 -dipyrrolo[1,2-*c*:2',1'*f*][1,3,2]diazaborinin-10-yl)-2,6-dimethylaniline (7).



A round-bottomed flask was charged with a solution of nitro-BODIPY **6** (14.6 g, 22.4 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and $SnCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ (203 g, 897 mmol, 40.0 equiv) in methanol (883 mL), CH_2Cl_2 (883 mL), and 6 M HCl (283 mL). After stirring at rt for 8 h, the reaction mixture was diluted by addition of CH_2Cl_2 (300 mL, then successively washed with 2 M NaOH (3 x 1.00 L), water 3 x 1.00 L), and brine (1 x 1.00 L). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the crude product

mixture by FC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:2 \rightarrow 1:1) afforded 7 (11.1 g, 17.9 mmol, 80%) as a magenta, crystalline solid. $R_{\rm f} = 0.25$ (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 6.77$ (s, 2H, ArH), 3.80 (s, 2H, NH₂), 2.63 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.22 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.48 ppm (s, 6H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): $\delta = 155.9$, 145.8, 144.4, 143.7, 132.2, 128.9, 127.7, 123.3, 122.7, 85.0, 17.5, 17.4, 16.0 ppm (t, J = 2.0 Hz, CH₃); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): $\delta = -146.15$ ppm (t, J = 33.8 Hz); HR-ESI-MS: m/z (%): 620.0033 (100) [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃BF₂I₂N₃⁺: 620.0041).

4-(5,5-difluoro-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-2,8-bis(phenylethynyl)-5*H*-4 λ^4 ,5 λ^4 -dipyrrolo[1,2-*c*:2',1'*f*][1,3,2]diazaborinin-10-yl)-2,6-dimethylaniline (9a).



In an oven-dried Schlenk flask, a solution of diiodo-BODIPY **7** (7.27g, 11.7 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and phenylacetylene (5.14 mL, 46.8 mmol, 4.00 equiv) in triethylamine (358 mL) and THF (1.10 L) was degassed by bubbling N₂ through the solution for 15 min. [(PPh₃)₂PdCl₂] (821 mg, 1.17 mmol, 0.10 equiv) and CuI (446 mg, 2.34 mmol, 0.20 equiv) were added to the solution, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 12 h at 65 °C under an atmosphere of N₂. After removing the solvents in vacuo, the crude product mixture was purified by FC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:1) to yield **9a** (5.33 g, 9.39 mmol, 80%) as an iridescent, pink, crystalline solid. $R_f = 0.33$ (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.47 - 7.45$ (m, 4H, ArH), 7.35 - 7.34 (m, 6H, ArH), 6.83 (s, 2H, ArH), 3.82 (s, 2H, NH₂), 2.71 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.24 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.63 ppm (s, 6H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): $\delta = 157.7$, 144.9, 144.6, 144.4, 132.1, 131.4, 128.6, 128.3, 127.8, 123.7, 123.0, 122.6, 115.8, 96.4, 82.0, 17.6, 13.9, 13.6 (br s, CH₃) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): $\delta = -146.79$ ppm (q, J = 33.8 Hz); HR-MALDI-MS (DTL): m/z (%): 548.2651 (100) [M-F]⁺ (calcd for C₃₇H₃₂BFN₃⁺: 548.2673), 567.2685 (37) [M]⁺, calcd for C₃₇H₃₂BF₂N₃⁺: 567.2657).

 $4-(2,8-bis((9-ethyl-9H-carbazol-3-yl)ethynyl)-5,5-difluoro-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-5H-4\lambda^4,5\lambda^4-dipyrrolo[1,2-c:2',1'-f][1,3,2]diazaborinin-10-yl)-2,6-dimethylaniline (9b).$



In an oven-dried Schlenk flask, a solution of diiodo-BODIPY 7 (1.17, 11.7 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and carbazoyl alkyne **8b** (1.66 g, 7.57 mmol, 4.00 equiv) in triethylamine (58.0 mL) and THF (175 mL) was de-gassed by bubbling N₂ through the solution for 15 min. [(PPh₃)₂PdCl₂] (133 mg, 189 μ mol, 0.10 equiv) and CuI (72.0 mg, 378 μ mol, 0.20 equiv) were added to the solution, and the resulting brown mixture was stirred for 12 h at 65 °C under an atmosphere of N₂. After removing the solvents in vacuo, the crude product mixture was purified by FC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:1 \rightarrow 2:1) to yield **9b** (1.10 g, 1.37 mmol, 73%) as an iridescent, blue, crystalline solid. *R*_f = 0.40 (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 1:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ = 8.23 (s, 2H, ArH), 8.09 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.59 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.54 – 7.37 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.25 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.89 (s, 2H, ArH), 4.38 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 4H, NCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ = 157.5, 144.3, 143.8, 140.6, 139.7, 129.1, 127.9, 126.4, 123.7, 123.2, 123.1, 122.6, 122.5, 120.7, 119.5, 113.6, 109.0, 108.9, 97.7, 79.9, 37.9, 17.6, 13.9, 13.8, 13.7 ppm (br t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, CH₃), 3 carbons not found; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ = -146.84 ppm (q, *J* = 33.8 Hz); HR-MALDI-MS (DTL): *m/z* (%): 782.3865 (92) [*M*–F]⁺ (calcd for C₅₃H₄₆BFN₅⁺: 782.3830), 801.3837 (100) [*M*]⁺ (calcd for C₅₃H₄₆BFN₅⁺: 801.3814).

2,3-dichloro-6-(4-(5,5-difluoro-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-2,8-bis(phenylethynyl)-5H-4 λ^4 ,5 λ^4 -dipyrrolo[1,2c:2',1'-f][1,3,2]diazaborinin-10-yl)-2,6-dimethylphenyl)-5H-pyrrolo[3,4-b]pyrazine-5,7(6H)-dione (2a).



An oven-dried Schlenk flask was charged with a mixture of 9a (4.70 g, 8.92 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and anhydride 10 (1.90 g, 11.6 mmol, 1.30 equiv) in THF (125 mL). The mixture was heated to 60 °C and

stirred for 12 h under an atmosphere of N₂, at which point, consumption of **9a** was observed by TLC. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature before sequential, dropwise addition of pyridine (2.38 mL, 29.4 mmol, 3.30 equiv) and oxalyl chloride (1.15 mL, 13.4 mmol, 1.50 equiv). After the mixture ceased bubbling, it was heated to 50 °C and stirred for 12 h. The mixture was cooled to rt, the solvent was removed in vacuo, and the insoluble residue was dry loaded onto SiO₂ for purification by FC (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂) to afford **2a** (4.38 g, 5.35 mmol, 60%) as a pink, iridescent solid. R_f = 0.40 (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 2:1); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 323 K): δ = 7.48 – 7.46 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.33 – 7.32 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.22 (s, 2H, ArH), 2.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.70 ppm (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR not obtained due to poor solubility; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃, 303 K): δ = -146.80 ppm (q, *J* = 30.0 Hz); UV/Vis (CH₂Cl₂): $\lambda_{max} (\varepsilon)$ = 304 (28000), 406 (11000), 540 (sh), 576 (52000) nm; HR-MALDI-MS (DTL): *m/z* (%): 767.1836 (59) [*M*]⁺ (calcd for C₄₃H₃₀BCl₂F₂N₅O₂⁺: 767.1838), 748.1856 (100) [*M*–F]⁺ (calcd for C₄₃H₃₀BCl₂F₂N₅O₂⁺: 767.1838), 748.1856 (100) [*M*–F]⁺

 $6-(4-(2,8-bis((9-ethyl-9H-carbazol-3-yl)ethynyl)-5,5-difluoro-1,3,7,9-tetramethyl-5H-4\lambda^4,5\lambda^4-dipyrrolo[1,2-c:2',1'-f][1,3,2]diazaborinin-10-yl)-2,6-dimethylphenyl)-2,3-dichloro-5H-pyrrolo[3,4-b]pyrazine-5,7(6H)-dione (2b).$



An oven-dried Schlenk flask was charged with a mixture of **9b** (1.05 g, 1.31 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and anhydride **10** (374 mg, 1.71 mmol, 1.30 equiv) in THF (25 mL). The mixture was heated to 60 °C and stirred for 12 h under an atmosphere of N₂, at which point, consumption of **9b** was observed by TLC. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature before sequential, dropwise addition of pyridine (350 μ L, 4.32 mmol, 3.30 equiv) and oxalyl chloride (170 μ L, 1.97 mmol, 1.50 equiv). After the mixture ceased bubbling, it was heated to 50 °C and stirred for 12 h. The mixture was cooled to rt, the solvent was removed in vacuo, and the insoluble residue was dry loaded onto SiO₂ for purification by FC (SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ 1:9) to afford **2b** (883 mg, 838 μ mol, 64%) as a blue, iridescent solid. *R*_f = 0.35 (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂/hexanes 2:1); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, *d*₆-DMSO, 323 K): δ = 8.42 – 8.33 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.69 – 7.55 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.51 – 7.48 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.39 (s, 2H, ArH), 7.29 – 7.17 (m, 2H, ArH), 4.46 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 4H, NCH₂CH₃), 2.72 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.23 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.70 – 1.68

(m, 6H, CH₃), 1.34 ppm (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H, NCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR not obtained due to poor solubility; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): $\delta = -146.90$ ppm (q, J = 30.0 Hz); UV/Vis (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{max} (ε) = 284 (47000), 305 (56000), 320 (sh), 351 (sh), 367 (sh), 425 (12000), 602 (42000) nm; HR-MALDI-MS (DTL): m/z (%): 1001.2969 (45) [M]⁺ (calcd for C₅₉H₄₄BCl₂F₂N₇O₂⁺: 1001.2995), 982.3023 (100) [M–F]⁺ (calcd for C₅₉H₄₄BCl₂FN₇O₂⁺: 982.3011).

Cavitand (1).



A flame-dried Schlenk flask was charged with a mixture of phenyl wall 2a (28.5 mg, 37.0 µmol, 1.00 equiv), carbazole arm 2b (37.2 mg, 37.0 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and tetrol 11 (40.0 mg, 37.0 µmol, 1.00 equiv) in THF (15 mL). The mixture was warmed to 50 °C and Cs₂CO₃ (50.8 mg, 156 µmol, 4.20 equiv) was added. The mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 4 h, then allowed to cool to room temperature and filtered over silica. The eluent was concentrated in vacuo, and the resulting residue was flash chromatographed (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂) to yield an impure fraction ($R_f = 0.50$) containing the desired product. The impure product mixture was subjected to recycling gel permeation chromatography (Jaigel H1 + Jaigel H2 columns in sequence, each 20 mm ID x 300 mm length; CHCl₃, 4 mL min⁻¹) to afford 1 (27 mg, 10 μ mol, 17%) as a dark blue solid. $R_{\rm f} = 0.50$ (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂); $t_{\rm R} = 32.6$ min; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 323 K): $\delta = 8.32 - 8.30$ (m, 4H), 8.10 (br s, 2H), 8.05 - 7.95 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.47 - 7.26 (m, 22H, ArH), 7.25 – 7.13 (m, 10H, ArH), 5.78 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, C₆H₁₃CHAr₂), 5.68 (br m, 2H, C₆H₁₃CHAr₂), 4.26 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 4H, NCH₂CH₃), 2.74 – 2.67 (m, 10H), 2.36 – 2.25 (m, 14H), 1.70 – 1.67 (m, 10H), 1.50 – 1.22 (m, 48H), 0.98 - 0.94 ppm (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl3, 303 K): $\delta = {}^{13}$ C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.3, 159.1, 153.3, 152.6, 152.4, 152.3, 143.6, 141.8, 140.6, 140.1, 139.6, 137.1, 136.0, 131.1, 129.9, 129.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.3, 128.1, 126.2, 124.0, 123.8, 123.3, 123.2, 122.7, 120.9, 119.5, 119.1, 113.6, 109.0, 108.4, 98.3, 96.9, 95.8, 81.8, 37.8, 34.6, 34.5, 32.9, 32.4, 32.2, 30.4, 30.0, 29.7, 29.6, 28.3, 28.2, 23.0, 18.5, 14.4, 14.1, 14.0, 13.7 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃, 223 K): $\delta = -146.89 - 146.89$

147.02 ppm (br m); UV/Vis (CHCl₃): $\lambda_{max} (\varepsilon) = 305$ (126000), 320 (sh), 369 (sh), 422 (31000), 576 (122000), 620 (sh) nm; HR-ESI-MS (MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ 1:1): *m/z* (%): 2702.1402 (38) [*M*]+ (calcd for C₁₇₀H₁₄₆B₂F₄N₁₆O₁₂⁺: 2702.1462), 1351.0708 (100) [*M*]²⁺ (calcd for C₁₇₀H₁₄₆B₂F₄N₁₆O₁₂²⁺: 1351.0731).

S2. ¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁹F NMR Spectra of Prepared Compounds



S2.1. Characterization Spectra of Prepared Compounds





Figure S2. ¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz) of nitro-BODIPY **5**.



Figure S3. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (376 MHz) of nitro-BODIPY 5.



Figure S4. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of diiodo-BODIPY 6.



Figure S5. ¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz) of diiodo-BODIPY 6.



Figure S6. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (376 MHz) of diiodo-BODIPY 6.



Figure S7. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of anilino-BODIPY 7.



Figure S8. ¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz) of anilino-BODIPY 7.



Figure S9. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (376 MHz) of anilino-BODIPY 7.



Figure S10. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of donor dye **9a**.



Figure S11. ¹³C NMR spectrum (126 MHz) of donor dye 9a.



Figure S12. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (376 MHz) of donor dye **9a**.



Figure S13. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of acceptor dye **9b**.



Figure S14. ¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz) of acceptor dye **9b**.



Figure S15. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (376 MHz) of acceptor dye **9b**.



Figure S16. ¹H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of donor flap **2a**.



Figure S18. ¹H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of acceptor flap **2b**.







Figure S20. ¹H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of cavitand 1.



Figure S22. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (470 MHz) of cavitand 1.



S2.2. Variable Temperature ¹H NMR Spectra of Cavitand 1

Figure S23. Variable temperature ¹H NMR spectra (500 MHz) of cavitand **1**.

S3. Absorption & Emission Spectra of Prepared Compounds

S3.1. Characterization Spectra of Donor Flap 2a, Acceptor Flap 2b, and Cavitand 1



Figure S24. Absorption spectrum of donor arm **2a** in CH₂Cl₂ at 294 K ($c = 4.64 \times 10^{-5}$ M).



Figure S25. Absorption spectrum of acceptor arm **2b** in CH₂Cl₂ at 294 K ($c = 5.70 \times 10^{-5}$ M).



Figure S26. Absorption spectrum of cavitand 1 in CHCl₃ at 294 K ($c = 2.59 \times 10^{-5}$ M).



S3.2. Titration of Cavitand 1 with Trifluoroacetic Acid

Figure S27. Absorption spectra of cavitand 1 in CHCl₃ at 294 K ($c = 2.59 \times 10^{-5}$ M) with different TFA concentrations, recorded 16–20 min after mixing.

S4. Quantum Yield Measurements

All spectra for the quantum yield measurement were recorded using a Horiba Fluorolog 3 with the Quanta-Phi integrating sphere attachment. Actual calculation of quantum yields was performed using the software packaged with the instrument, and the values are recorded below in Table TS1. Scatter-corrected absorption is determined by subtracting the scatter signal at from the fluorophore solution from that of a solvent blank, measured with the same excitation source. Scatter-corrected emission is similarly determined by subtracting solvent blank signal from the fluorophore emission spectrum. The ratio of integrated fluorophore emission counts to absorption counts defines the quantum yield. In this case, acceptor emission spectra are scaled by a factor of 1/100 to account for a 100x longer integration time due to weak signal.

Table TS1. Fluorescence quantum yield of donor and acceptor.

	QY (%)
Donor	30.59 ± 0.848
Acceptor	4.40 ± 0.026



Figure S28. Excitation and Emission spectra (with reference solvent blank) for fluorescence quantum yield calculation. Grey boxes indicate bounds of integration for quantum yield calculations.

S5. Donor Fluorescence Lifetime Measurements



Figure S29. Fluorescence lifetimes measured by TCSPC. The measured data (in blue) are fitted to exponential decays convoluted with a measured instrument response function (in red) using software provided with the instrument. The jump at 27 ns is due to a small bleed through in the pulse picker used to control excitation pulse timing.

Table TS2. Fluorescence lifetimes measured by TCSPC.

	Temperature	$ au_1$ (ps)	$ au_2$ (ps)	E (%)
kite BC	193 K	411 ± 0.4	3090 ± 4	87.5 ± 0.1
vase BC	294 K	497 ± 0.6	3560 ± 4	78.0 ± 0.1
Donor	193 K	3300 ± 1	-	-
Donor	294 K	2600 ± 1	-	-

Multi-component exponential decay lifetimes were fit via a forward convolution method in the Vinci control and analysis software (ISS). The Instrument Response Function (IRF) was measured to be approximately 120 ps FWHM in a 1% scattering solution of Ludox LS colloidal silica. Efficiency was calculated using the formula $E=1-\tau_{DA}/\tau_D$, where τ_{DA} represents the decay lifetime of the donor in the presence of the acceptor (τ_1 from BC fits) and τ_D is the decay lifetime of the donor alone.⁸

S6. Dephasing Lifetime Determination



Figure S30. Dephasing lifetime derived from nonradiative relaxation signals. a) Nonradiative relaxation lifetime maps of *kite* and *vase* conformation. The figures are the same as Figure 3 in the main text, overlaid with location of antidiagonal cut, aligned with max signal. b) Antidiagonal profile with inset FWHM and corresponding dephasing lifetimes, calculated as the inverse of the frequency FWHM.⁹

S7. Stokes Shift



Figure S31. Stokes shift in *vase* and *kite* measured by ultrafast 2DES. Shown is a vertical slice of the 2D spectrum taken at $\omega_{\tau} = 17100 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ from 0 to 150 fs waiting time. Vertical axis ω_t is the same as in all other 2D spectra shown. Initial excitations relax on the order of 30-50 fs, consistent with dephasing lifetimes calculated from Figure S30.

S8. Fluorescence Model



Figure S32. Comparison between residual fluorescence features in figure 3 with simulated spectra of donor. Top row shows long time lifetime maps for both *kite* (-80°C) and *vase* (RT) configurations. Bottom row shows simulated spectra made from a convolution of the donor absorption with the sum of the donor absorption and fluorescence.

Simulated spectra were also convoluted (twice in ω_{τ} and once in ω_{t}) with a measured laser spectrum to produce the expected 2D signal.

S9. Phasing

Phasing was performed as described in previous publications.¹⁰⁻¹¹ From the projection slice theorem, the real part of a 2D spectrum summed along ω_{τ} should match a symmetric pump-probe spectrum generated from the same light at the same waiting time. To correct for phase errors in our experimental setup, we fit the 2D spectra with an added phase function to pump probe data collected on a separate instrument. Our phase error is time independent, so all waiting times have the same phase correction applied. To further ensure comparable datasets, the same phase adjustments were applied to both the -80°C and RT datasets. The phase function applied includes a constant phase plus terms linear and quadratic in ω_t and ω_{τ} .

$$S_{2D}^{phased} = a_1 S_{2D} e^{i \left(a_2 + a_3 \left(\omega_t - \omega_{t,0}\right) + a_4 \left(\omega_t - \omega_{t,0}\right)^2 + a_5 \left(\omega_\tau - \omega_{\tau,0}\right) + a_6 \left(\omega_\tau - \omega_{\tau,0}\right)^2\right)}$$
$$S_{pump \ probe} = \int \Re \left[S_{2D}^{phased}\right] d\omega_{\tau}$$

Pump probe spectra were recorded with a separate instrument, as described previously.¹¹ Ultrafast (fsresolved) 2DES were used for phasing to pump probe, and the same phasing correction parameters were applied to all datasets. All 2D datasets were collected on the same instrument within a 36 hour period. Representative phased data from this short time experiment, as well as fitting results from phasing, are shown below.



Figure S33. Representative phased data at T = 390 fs. The third plot shows the resulting fit of real value phased 2D data summed across ω_{τ} (2DES real sum, red) to the pump probe spectrum at the same waiting time (pump probe, blue).

S10. Fitting Algorithm

To obtain the lifetime maps shown in Figure 4, the following approach was taken: First, lifetimes were determined using a binned dataset (10x in both frequency dimensions) with waiting times from 5 ps to 800 ps. Time traces associated with each pixel in the 2D spectra were fit to a bi-exponential decay with an offset, e.g.

$$S(T) = A_1 e^{-T/\tau_1} + A_2 e^{-T/\tau_2} + A_3$$

where A_3 corresponds to the strength of a $\tau_3 = \infty$ signal. Results of this fit were used to filter out points with less than 10% total signal from the first or second lifetime. The remaining signal was then leastsquares fit to the same model, but with τ_1 and τ_2 constant across the dataset (to optimize those values). These lifetimes were then used to generate the maps shown in Figure 4 using an unbinned dataset. For this, each pixel in frequency space was normalized and least-squares fit to the same model with the global times. The resulting map of pre-exponentials (which summed to one in each pixel) was then weighted by the signal at T=5ps (the first nonzero waiting time) to give the plots in Figure 4. Confidence bounds for the pre-exponentials are shown in Figure S34, below. To generate the maps shown in Figure S34, we scaled one side of the 95% confidence bound for the given parameter by the intensity of the starting value (same scaling as in Figure 4 in main text).

Table TS3. Lifetimes used to generate lifetime maps.

	$ au_1$ (ps)	$ au_2$ (ps)
kite	24± 3	510±40
vase	27± 5	271±8



Figure S34. Absolute value of 95% confidence bounds for fitting maps presented in Figure 4 of the main text. Generated by multiplying one side of the symmetrical 95% confidence range of the relevant fit parameter (absolute value) with the starting real value signal as is done in Figure 4.

S11. Diagonal and Off-Diagonal Example Fits

diagonal	A ₁	$ au_1$ (ps)	<i>A</i> ₂	$ au_2$ (ps)	<i>A</i> ₃
294 K	0.166 ± 0.017	20.2 ± 3.8	0.746 ± 0.007	260.9 ± 6.5	0.0586 ± 0.0045
193 K	0.229 ± 0.012	26.8 ± 2.8	0.568 ± 0.009	496.2 ± 28.6	0.165 ± 0.014

Table TS4. Fit parameters with 95% confidence intervals for time traces shown in 1	Figure S35	5.
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crosspeak	<i>A</i> ₁	$ au_1$ (ps)	A_2	$ au_2$ (ps)	A_3
294 K	0.135 ± 0.033	39.5 ± 17.8	0.659 ± 0.027	286.0 ± 25.0	0.0649 ± 0.0127
193 K	0.153 ± 0.023	27.2 ± 8.0	0.501 ± 0.028	598.0 ± 93.5	0.152 ± 0.038



Figure S35. Representative time traces from the diagonal at 17100 cm⁻¹ and at the cross peak at 17100 cm⁻¹ and 16400 cm⁻¹. Fit parameters are listed in table TS4.



S12. 2D Spectral Data Shown in Figure 3

Figure S36. 2D spectral data shown in stacked form in Figure 3c.

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