

## ***Supplementary Information***

### **Cooperation and competition of hydrogen and halogen bonds in 2D self-assembled nanostructures based on bromine substituted coumarins**

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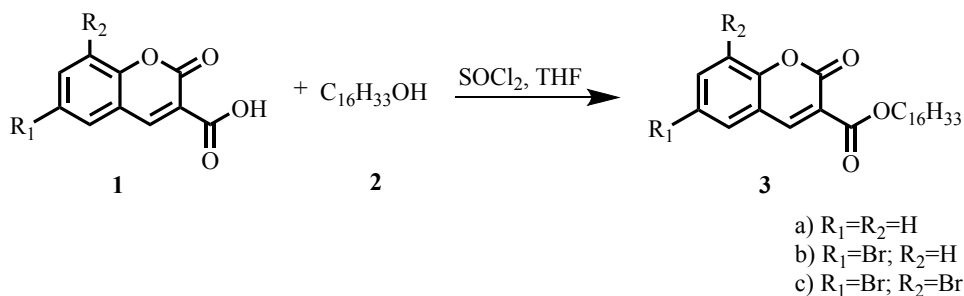
## Experimental Section

### 1. General Information

<sup>1</sup>H spectra were recorded out on a Bruker AV-600 MHz NMR spectrometer.

### 2. Synthesis and Characterization of Co16 (3a), 6-Br-Co16(3b) and 6,8-Br-Co16 (3c)

#### 2.1. Scheme S1.



**Compound 3a:** hexadecyl ester coumarin-3-carboxylate (**Co16**); **Compound 3b:** hexadecyl ester-6-bromo-coumarin-3-carboxylate (**6-Br-Co16**); **Compound 3c:** hexadecyl ester-6,8-dibromo-coumarin-3-carboxylate (**6,8-Br-Co16**) were synthesized as previously reported in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

**Compound 3a** The coumarin-3-carboxylic acid (1.90 g 10 mmol) was dissolved in SOCl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 6 h. The SOCl<sub>2</sub> was removed under reduced pressure. *n*-Hexadecanol (4.85 g, 20 mmol) and THF (30 mL) were added to the mixture, which was stirred at 100 °C for another 2 h. The solvent was removed by vacuum. The crude product was subjected to column chromatography (Silical gel 10% EA/PE) to give **3a** as a solid.

**Data for 3a.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 8.51 (1H, m), 7.61 (2H, m), 7.35 (2H, m), 4.35 (2H, m), 1.78 (2H, m), 1.26 (26H, m), 0.88 (3H, m).

**Compound 3b** The 6-bromo coumarin-3-carboxylic acid (2.69 g 10 mmol) was dissolved in SOCl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 6 h. The SOCl<sub>2</sub> was removed under reduced pressure. *n*-Hexadecanol (4.85 g, 20 mmol) and THF (30 mL)

were added to the mixture, which was stirred at 100 °C for another 2 h. The solvent was removed by vacuum. The crude product was subjected to column chromatography (Silical gel 10% EA/PE) to give **3b** as a solid.

**Data for 3b.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 8.41 (1H, m), 7.75 (1H, m), 7.71 (1H, m), 7.21 (1H, m), 4.35 (2H, m), 1.77 (2H, m), 1.26 (26H, m), 0.88 (3H, m).

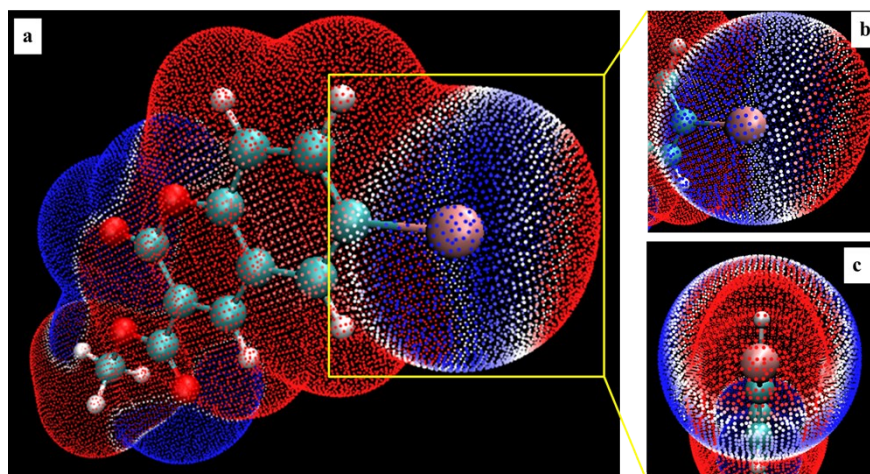
**Compound 3c** The 6,8-dibromo coumarin-3-carboxylic acid (3.47 g 10 mmol) was dissolved in SOCl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 6 h. The SOCl<sub>2</sub> was removed under reduced pressure. *n*-Hexadecanol (4.85 g, 20 mmol) and THF (30 mL) were added to the mixture, which was stirred at 100 °C for another 2 h. The solvent was removed by vacuum. The crude product was subjected to column chromatography (Silical gel 10% EA/PE) to give **3c** as a solid.

**Data for 3c.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 8.36 (1H, m), 7.98 (1H, m), 7.69 (1H, m), 4.35 (2H, m), 1.76 (2H, m), 1.25 (26H, m), 0.88 (3H, m).

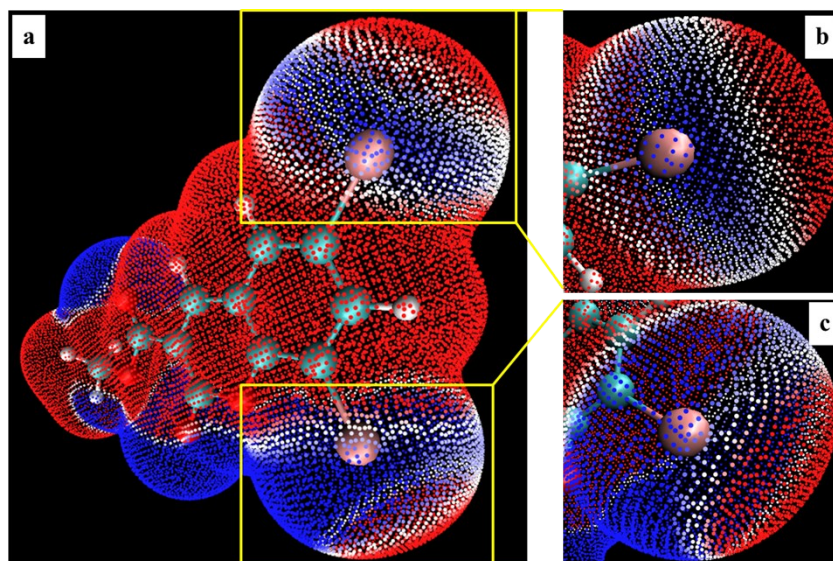
## Notes and references

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### 3. Electrostatic potential (ESP) maps of 6-Br-Co16 and 6,8-Br-Co16.



**Fig. S1** (a) Electrostatic potential (ESP) maps of 6-Br-Co16 under vacuum, Inset iamges (b,c) show the ESP maps of Br atom. The map color scales from  $-4$  (blue) to  $4$  (red) kcal/mol. The alkyl chains were replaced by methyl substituents.



**Fig. S2** (a) Electrostatic potential (ESP) maps of 6,8-Br-Co16 under vacuum, Inset iamges (b,c) show the ESP maps of Br atoms. The map color scales from  $-4$  (blue) to  $4$  (red) kcal/mol. The alkyl chains were replaced by methyl substituents.