

**Supplementary Information**

**Theoretical Studies on the Quinoidal Thiophene Based Dyes for Dye Sensitized Solar Cell  
and NLO applications**

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**Table S1** The absorption wavelength (in nm and eV) associated with HOMO→LUMO transition in QT1 dye molecule calculated at (a) different methods (b) in basis sets in acetonitrile medium.

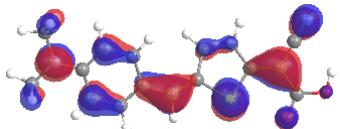
(a)

Method	Transition	$\lambda_{\text{abs}}$		$f$
		nm	eV	
B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)	H→L	529	2.34	1.375
PBE0/6-311G(d,p)	H→L	520	2.38	1.420
M06-2X/6-311G(d,p)	H→L	505	2.46	1.478
M06-HF/6-311G(d,p)	H→L	490	2.53	1.525
CAM-B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)	H→L	498	2.49	1.489
LC-BLYP/6-311G(d,p)	H→L	472	2.63	1.576
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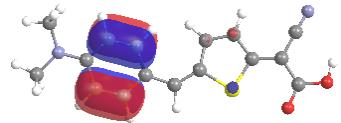
(b)

Basis set	Transition	$\lambda_{\text{abs}}$		$f$
		nm	eV	
6-311+G(d,p)	H→L	537	2.31	1.389
6-311++G(d,p)	H→L	537	2.31	1.388
6-311G(2d, p)	H→L	530	2.34	1.369
6-311+G(2d,p)	H→L	538	2.30	1.383
6-311G(2d,2p)	H→L	531	2.34	1.369
6-311+G(2d,2p)	H→L	539	2.30	1.382

Experimental absorption wavelength of QT1 molecule is **548 nm** in acetonitrile medium.

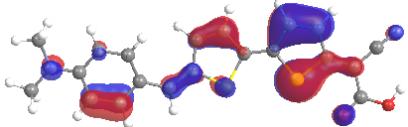


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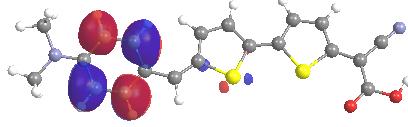


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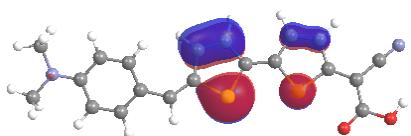
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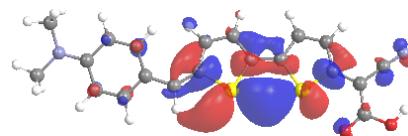
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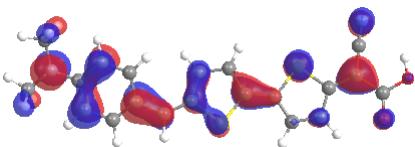


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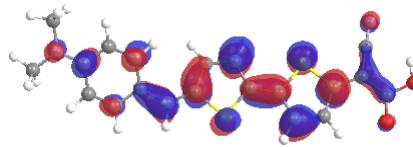


LUMO+3

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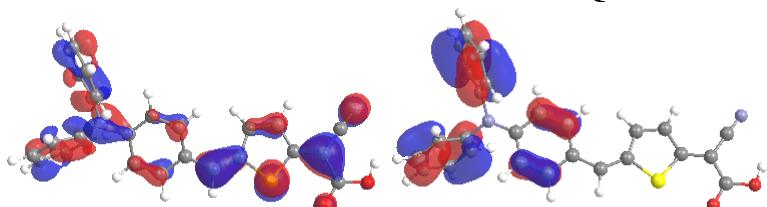


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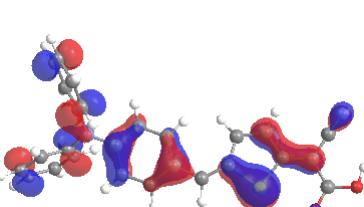


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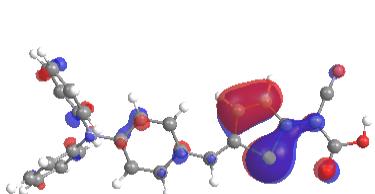


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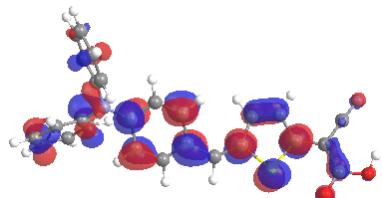


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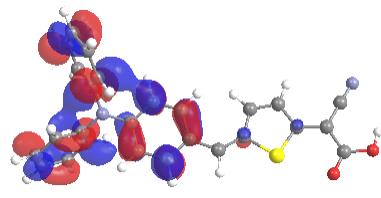
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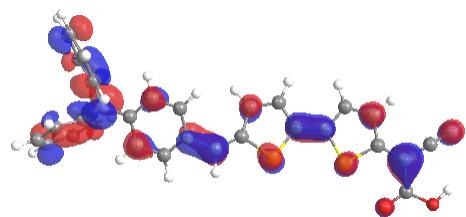


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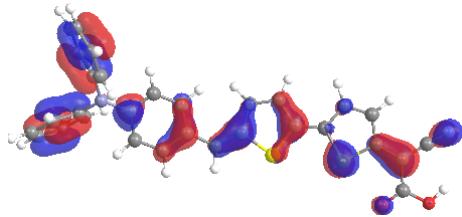


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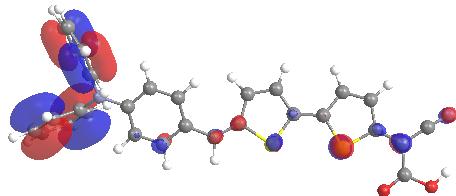
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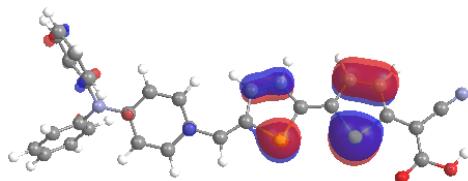
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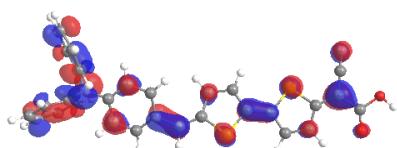


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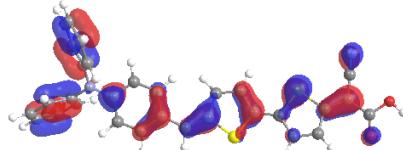


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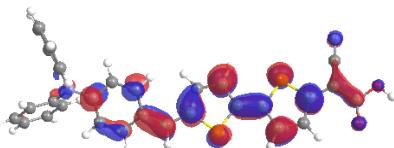
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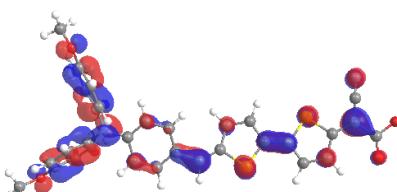


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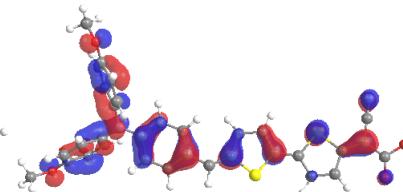


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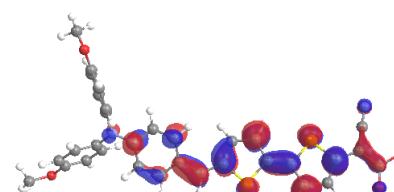
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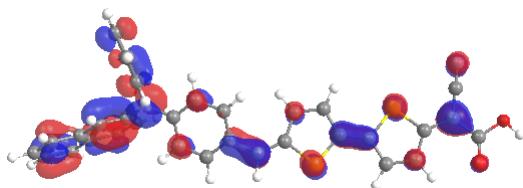


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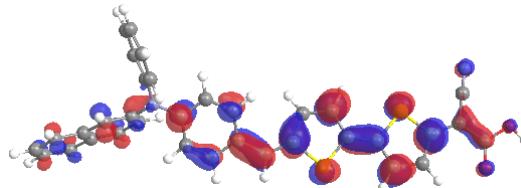


LUMO+1

**QT5**



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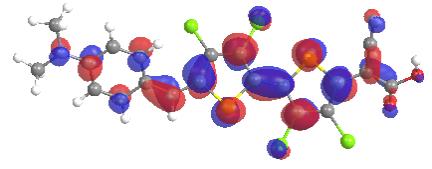


LUMO+1

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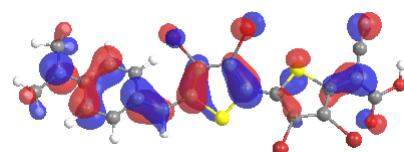


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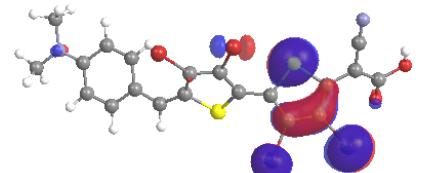


LUMO+1

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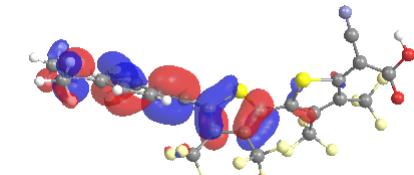


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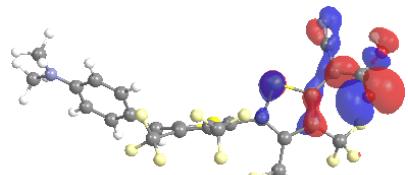


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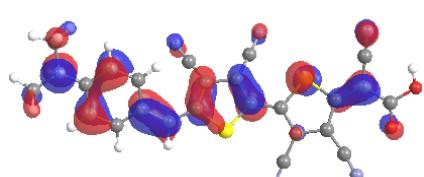


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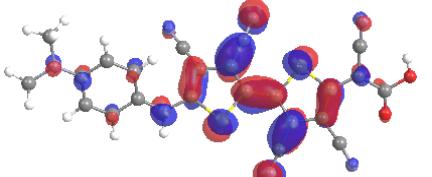


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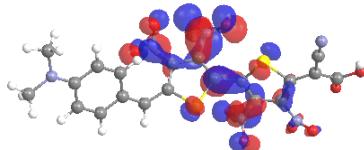


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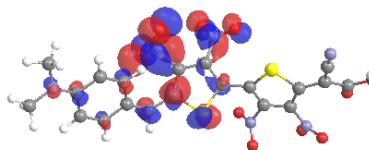


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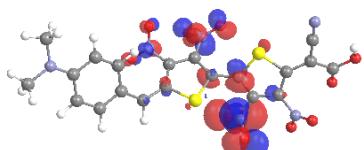
**QT2B-CN**



LUMO+1



LUMO+2



LUMO+3

**QT2B-NO<sub>2</sub>**

**Figure S1** The density plot of the other involved orbitals in the absorption spectrum of the designed quinoidal thiophene molecules.