## **Electronic Supplementary Information for**

## Oxygen migration and optical properties of the coronene oxides and their persulfurated derivatives: Insight into the electric field effect and the oxygen-site dependence

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Fig. S1 The B3LYP-optimized structures of C24 epoxides and PSC oxides.



**Fig. S2** Predicted related energies for the C24 epoxides and PSC oxides at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level of theory.



Fig. S3 The anisotropy of the induced current density (ACID) of the C24 epoxides and PSC oxides, where the red cross indicates the delocalization destruction of  $\pi$  electrons in the inner carbon ring induced by the epoxy group.



Fig. S4 Evolution of the total energy along IRC from PSCc3 to PSCe6.





**Fig. S5** The contribution of individual electronic transitions to the absorption spectra of C24 and C24 epoxides, respectively.



Fig. S6 Predicted electron-hole distributions of C24 at the  $S_0$ -state geometry, where blue and green isosurfaces represent hole and electron distributions here and in subsequent Figures, respectively.



Fig. S7 Predicted electron-hole distributions of C24a3 at the S<sub>0</sub>-state geometry.



Fig. S8 Predicted electron-hole distributions of C24b3 at the S<sub>0</sub>-state geometry.



Fig. S9 Predicted electron-hole distributions of C24c3 at the S<sub>0</sub>-state geometry.



Fig. S10 Predicted electron-hole distributions of C24d3 at the S<sub>0</sub>-state geometry.



Fig. S11 Predicted electron-hole distributions of the low-energy transitions for PSC oxides and the pristine PSC, based on the  $S_0$ -state geometry.



Fig. S12 Predicted electron-hole distributions of the  $S_0 \rightarrow S_1$  transitions of the PSC oxides and the pristine PSC.





RMSD=0.026

C24b3 RMSD=0.055

**C24** RMSD=0.025





RMSD=0.040

C24u3 RMSD=0.026

Fig. S13 Geometry comparison and RMSD values between the CIS (red) and TD-B3LYP optimized (blue)  $S_1$  structures of C24 and its epoxides.



Fig. S14 Calculated electron-hole distributions of the  $S_1 \rightarrow S_0$  transitions for C24 and PSC and their oxides, based on the relaxed  $S_1$  geometry.



**Fig. S15** Optimized S<sub>1</sub>-relaxed structures of the C24 epoxides with multiple epoxy groups varying from 1 to 6 at the edge position, based on the rim-epoxidized C24d3, in which the molecular symmetry is measured by using Materials Studio software with a tolerance of 0.01 Å.



**Fig. S16** The optimized structures of the C24 epoxides with double epoxy groups bonded on one side or both sides of the basal plane.

Structure	$E_{\rm emi}({\rm eV})$	$\lambda_{emi}(nm)$	μ (Debye)	$f(\mathbf{S}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{S}_0)$
PSC	0.98	1259	0.03	0.000
PSCa3	1.07	1159	0.16	0.001
PSCb3	1.11	1120	0.12	0.000
PSCc3	0.59	2117	0.11	0.000
PSCd3	0.95	1303	0.08	0.000
PSCe6	0.99	1254	0.03	0.000
PSCf6	1.01	1233	0.03	0.000

**Table S1** The vertical emission energies ( $\Delta E_{emi}$  and  $\lambda_{emi}$ ), transition dipole moments ( $\mu$ ) and oscillator strength (f) of the PSC oxides and the pristine PSC predicted by the CIS approach.

	$\Delta E_{\rm emi}({\rm eV})$	$\lambda_{emi}(nm)$	μ (Debye)	$f(S_1 \rightarrow S_0)$	$k_{\rm r}  ({\rm s}^{-1})$	$k_{\rm nr}({\rm s}^{-1})$
C24	3.38	367	0.00	0.000	-	1.21×10 <sup>8</sup>
C24a3	2.31	537	3.58	0.112	2.60×10 <sup>7</sup>	3.96×10 <sup>9</sup>
C24b3	3.38	366	1.52	0.030	1.47×10 <sup>7</sup>	$2.47 \times 10^{10}$
C24c3	2.22	559	4.14	0.144	3.07×10 <sup>7</sup>	6.84×10 <sup>10</sup>
C24d3	3.20	388	4.54	0.250	1.11×10 <sup>8</sup>	8.94×10 <sup>7</sup>

**Table S2** The predicted vertical emission energies ( $\Delta E_{emi}$  and  $\lambda_{emi}$ ), transition dipole moments ( $\mu$ ), oscillator strengths (f), and the radiative ( $k_r$ ) and non-radiative decay rates ( $k_{nr}$ ) of the pristine C24 and C24 epoxides predicted by the  $\omega$ B97XD/6-31g(d,p) method.

Structure	$\Delta E_{\rm emi}~({\rm eV})$	$\lambda_{emi}(nm)$	μ (Debye)	$f(\mathbf{S}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{S}_0)$	$k_{\rm r}  ({\rm s}^{-1})$	$k_{\rm nr}({\rm s}^{-1})$
C24d3	2.86	433	4.15	0.187	6.64×10 <sup>7</sup>	4.81×10 <sup>6</sup>
C24_2d3	2.59	480	3.63	0.129	3.75×10 <sup>7</sup>	9.65×10 <sup>6</sup>
C24_3d3	2.68	463	1.68	0.029	8.91×10 <sup>6</sup>	4.45×10 <sup>8</sup>
C24_4d3	2.53	491	1.27	0.016	4.29×10 <sup>6</sup>	9.80×10 <sup>6</sup>
C24_5d3	2.59	479	0.73	0.005	1.51×10 <sup>6</sup>	1.46×10 <sup>8</sup>
C24_6d3	2.55	486	0.00	0.000	-	1.26×10 <sup>7</sup>

**Table S3** The predicted vertical emission energies ( $\Delta E_{emi}$  and  $\lambda_{emi}$ ), transition dipole moments ( $\mu$ ), oscillator strength (f), and the radiative decay rate ( $k_r$ ) and non-radiative rate ( $k_{nr}$ ) of the C24 epoxides with the epoxy groups varying from 1 to 6.

Structure	$\Delta E_{ m emi}$	$\lambda_{emi}$	μ	f	Structure	Eemi	$\lambda_{emi}$	μ	f
C24d3_up1	2.23	556	4.52	0.173	C24d3_down1	2.32	534	4.64	0.189
C24d3_up2	2.59	480	3.63	0.129	C24d3_down2	2.62	473	3.68	0.134
C24d3_up3	2.44	508	1.80	0.030	C24d3_down3	2.42	512	1.78	0.029
C24d3_up4	2.20	564	3.06	0.078	C24d3_down4	2.13	581	2.97	0.072

**Table S4** The predicted vertical emission energies ( $\Delta E_{emi}$ , eV and  $\lambda_{emi}$ , nm), transition dipole moments ( $\mu$ , debye) and oscillator strength (f) of the C24 epoxides with double epoxy groups bonded on one side or both sides of the basal plane.