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Important role of the position of a functional group in isomers for Photophysical and Antibacterial Properties: A case study with Naphthalenemaleonitrile Positional Isomers.

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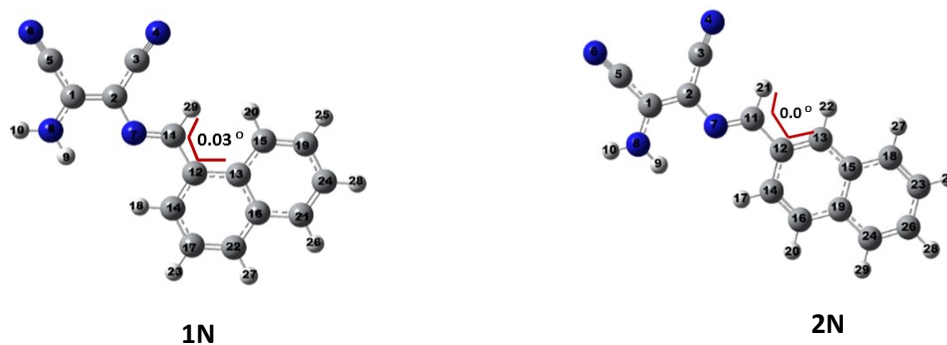


Figure S1: The optimization geometry of 1N with dihedral angle $D_{H29-C11-C12-C13}$ (0.03 °) and 2N with dihedral angle $D_{H21-C11-C12-C13}$ (0.0 °) showing the numbering scheme of atoms.

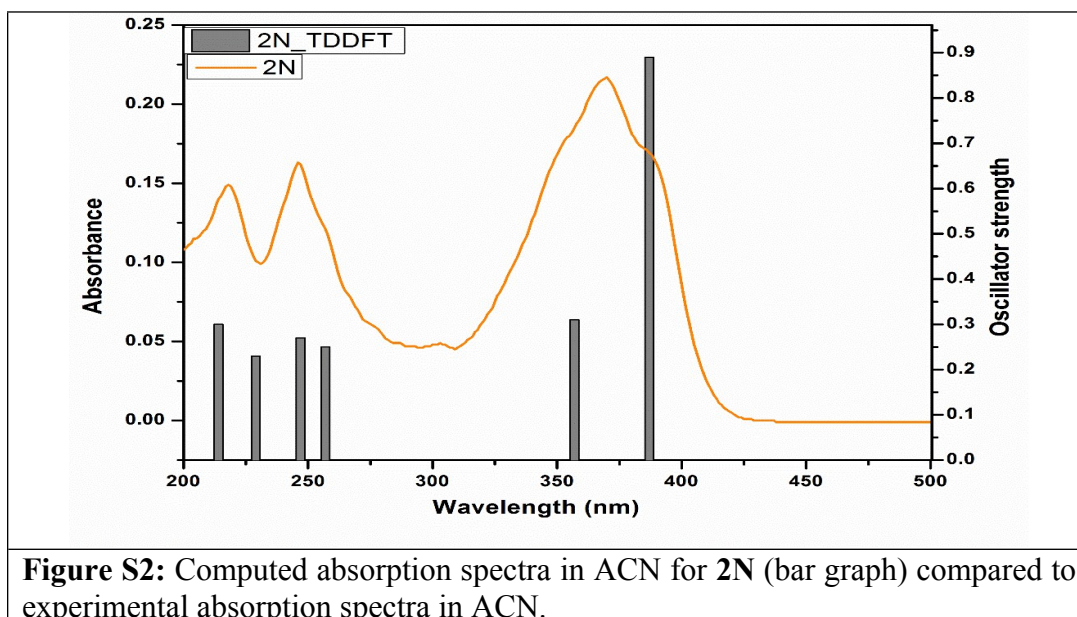


Figure S2: Computed absorption spectra in ACN for 2N (bar graph) compared to experimental absorption spectra in ACN.

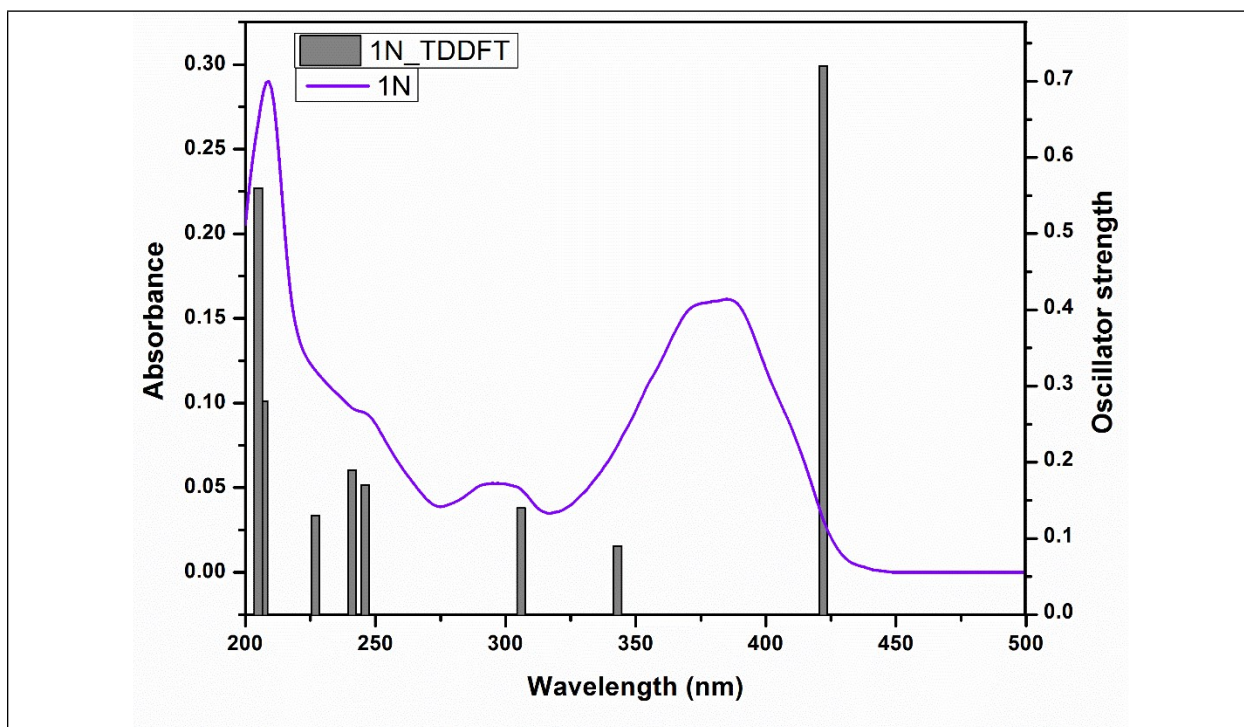


Figure S3: Computed absorption spectra in ACN for 1N (bar graph) compared to experimental absorption spectra in ACN.

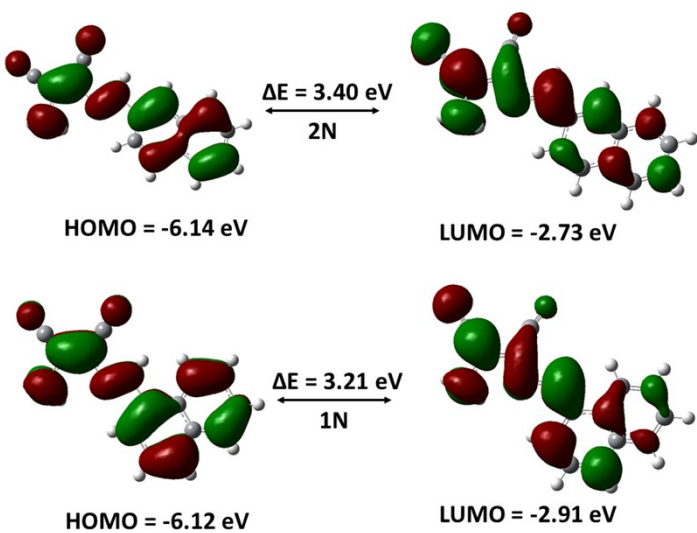


Figure S4: HOMO and LUMO energy level of 1N and 2N.

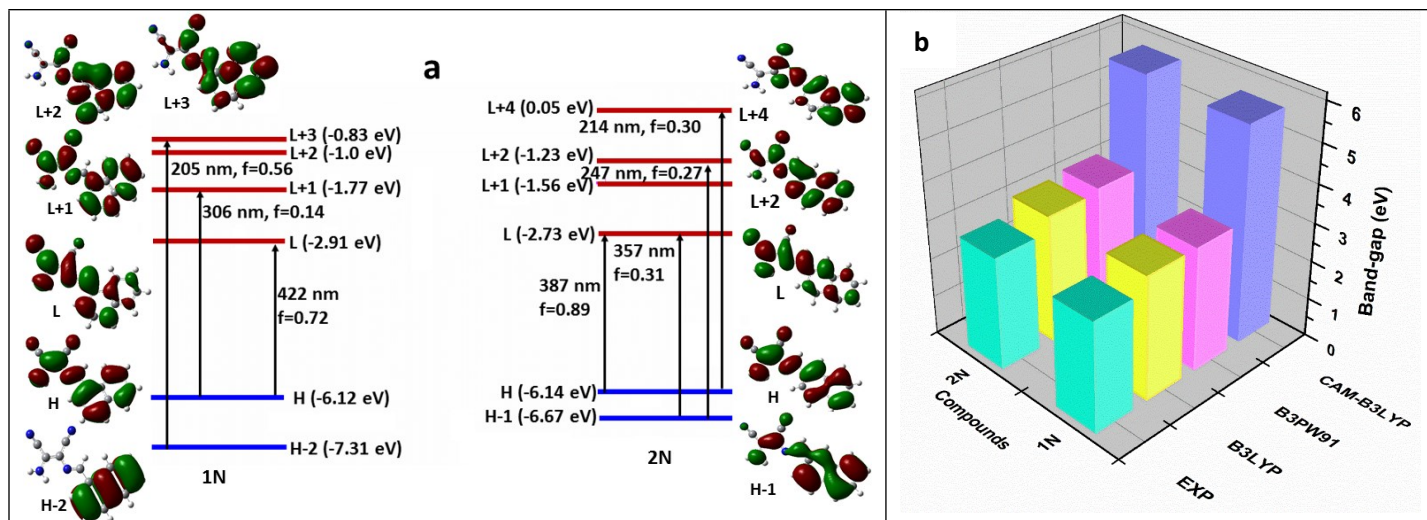


Figure S5. (a) Molecular orbitals of 1N and 2N involved in electronic transitions through TD-DFT calculations performed in ACN via CPCM model. (b) Showing the band gap through different level of theory.

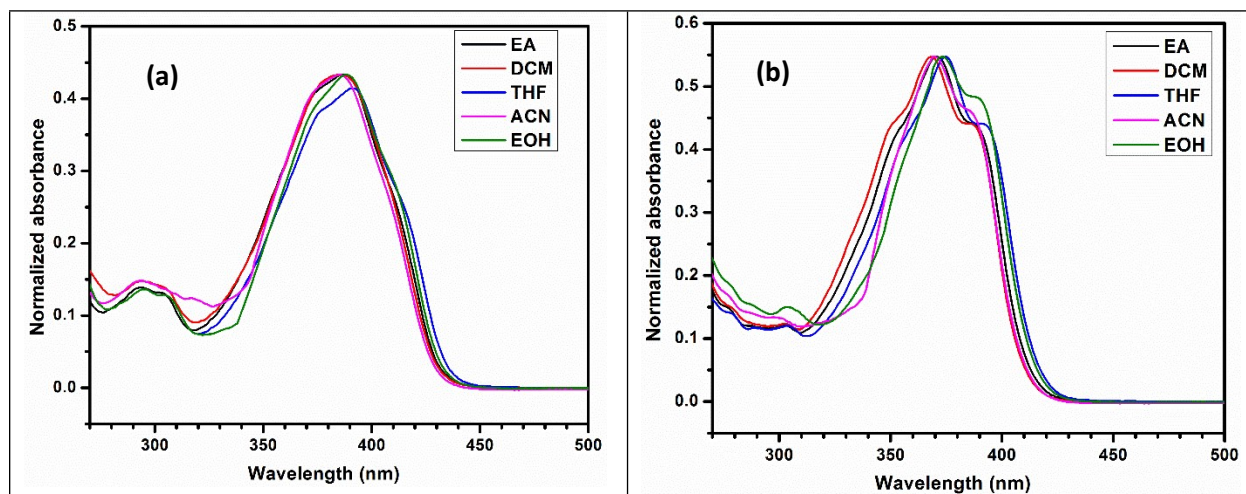
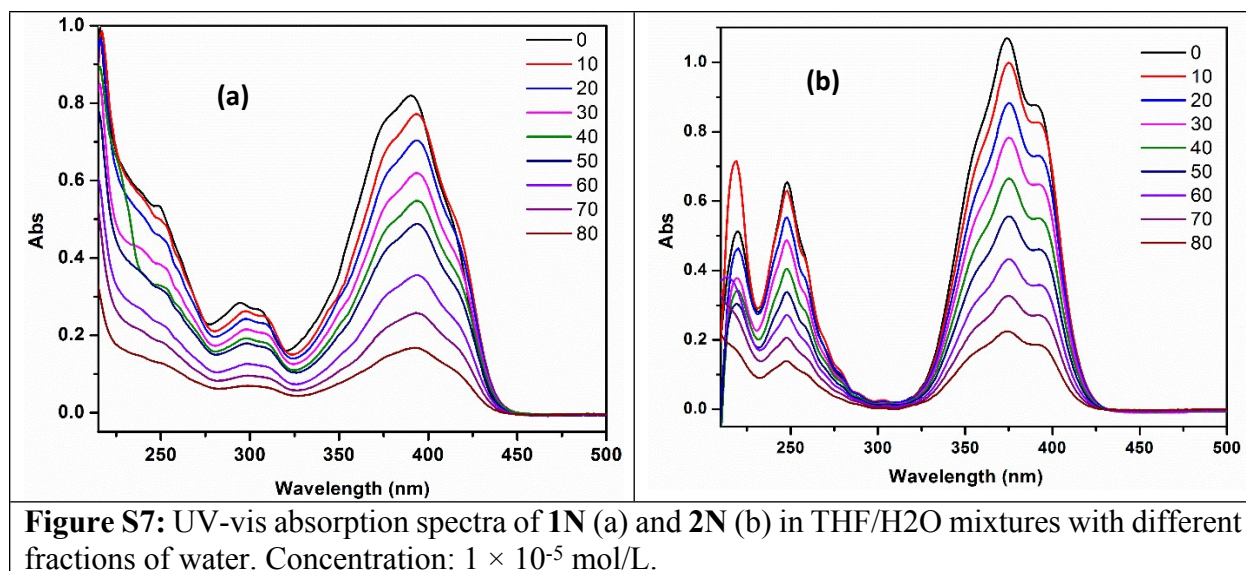
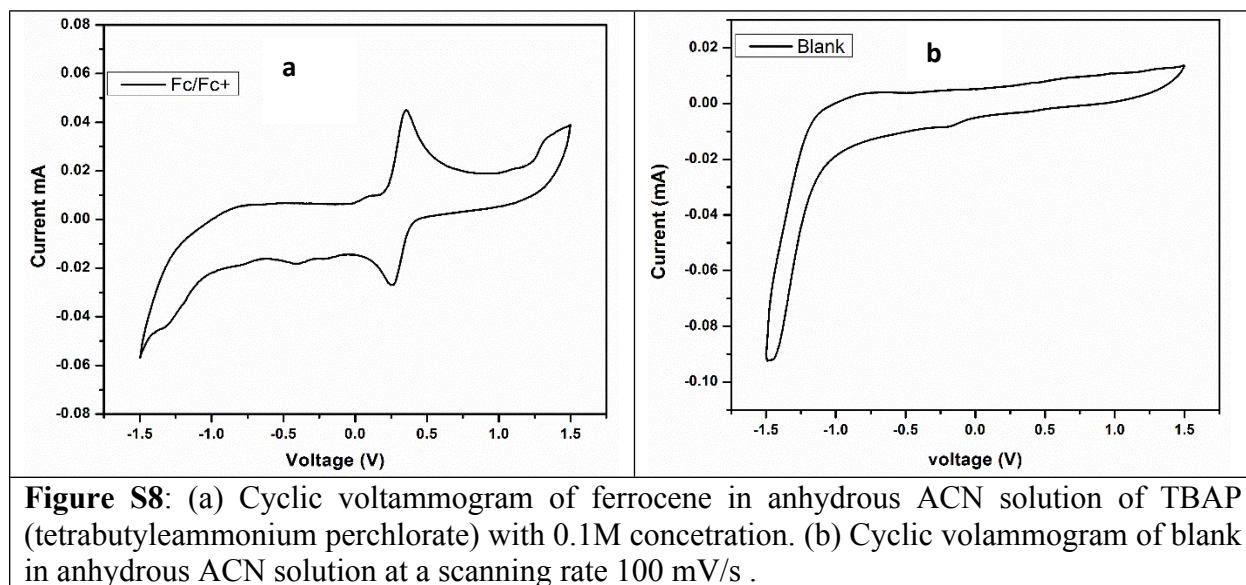


Figure S6: Normalized absorption spectra of (a) 1N and (b) 2N in different solvent at room temperature (10^{-5} mol/L concentration)



Cyclic voltammetry (CV) studies were carried out in millimolar solution of compound **1N** and **2N** in anhydrous acetonitrile.



E_{red} and E_{oxd} were found to be -0.684, -0.390 and 0.50, 0.864 V for **1N** and **2N** respectively. The half-wave potential of the ferrocene/ferrocenium (F_c/F_c^+) redox couple was found to be 0.302 V by the following relation.

$$(E_{1/2, F_c/F_c^+}) = (E_{\text{anodic peak potential}} + E_{\text{cathodic peak potential}})/2 = (0.352 + 0.252)/2 = 0.302 \text{ V}$$

The band gap was calculated using the following relation:

$$E_{\text{HOMO}} = -(E_{\text{oxd,onset}} - E_{1/2, \text{Fc}^+/\text{Fc}} + 4.8) \text{eV}$$

$$E_{\text{LUMO}} = -(E_{\text{red,onset}} - E_{1/2, \text{Fc}^+/\text{Fc}} + 4.8) \text{eV}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{g}} = E_{\text{HOMO}} - E_{\text{LUMO}}$$