

Supplementary Information

Triplet Stabilization for the Enhanced Drug Photorelease from Sunscreen-Based Photocages

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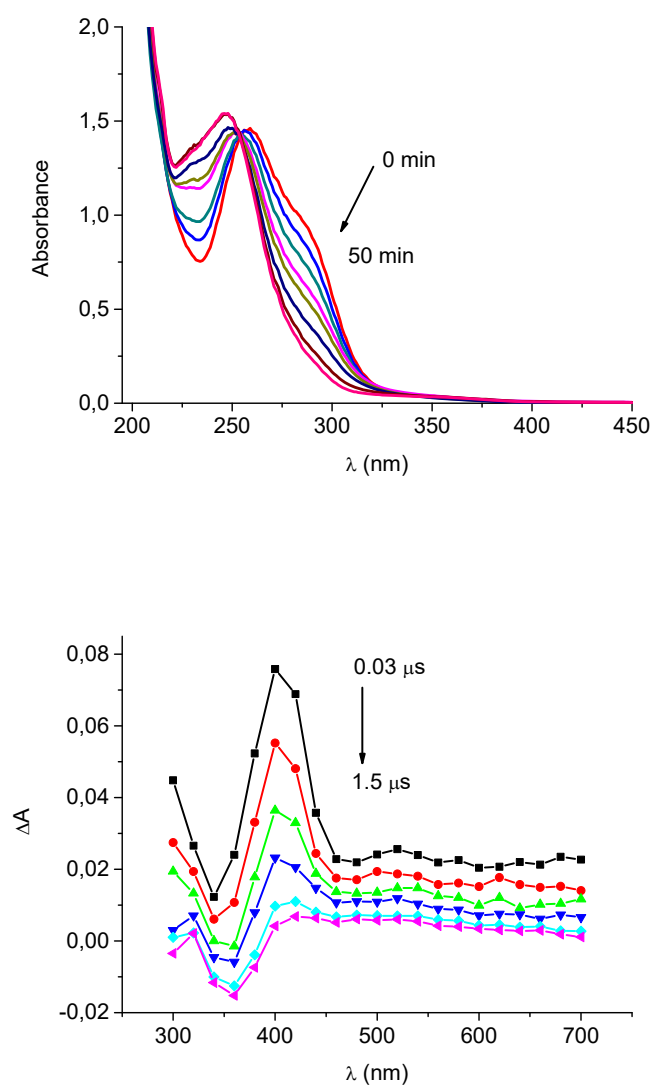


Figure S1. UV absorption changes for AB-KP in deaerated acetonitrile under SSL irradiation (up). Transient absorption spectra of AB-KP in acetonitrile under N_2 , at different times after the 355 nm laser pulse (down)

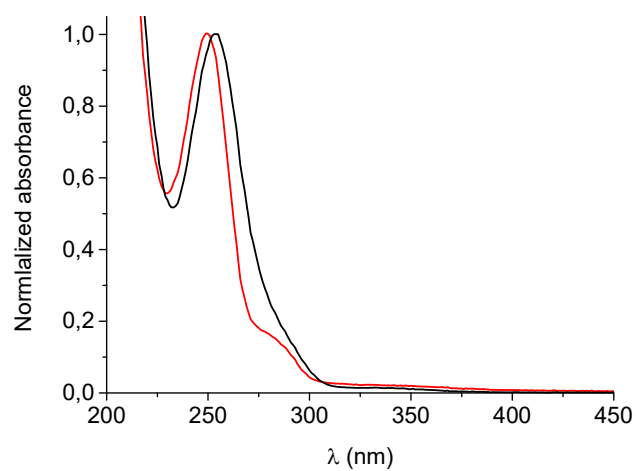
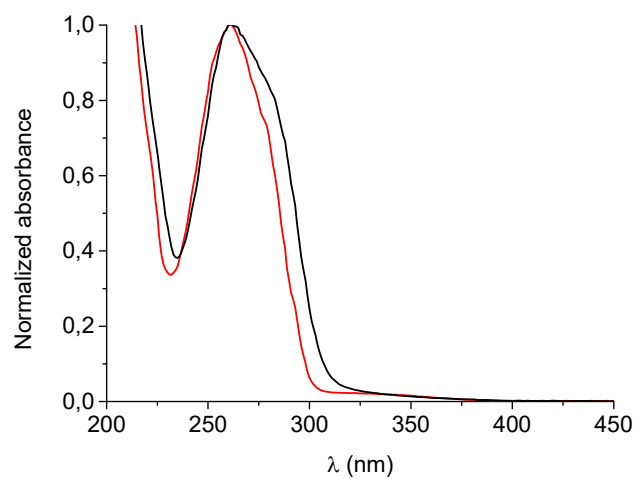


Figure S2. (up) Normalized UV-Vis absorption spectra of AB-Me in hexane (red) and ethanol (black), (bottom) Normalized UV-Vis absorption spectra of KP-Me in hexane (red) and ethanol (black)

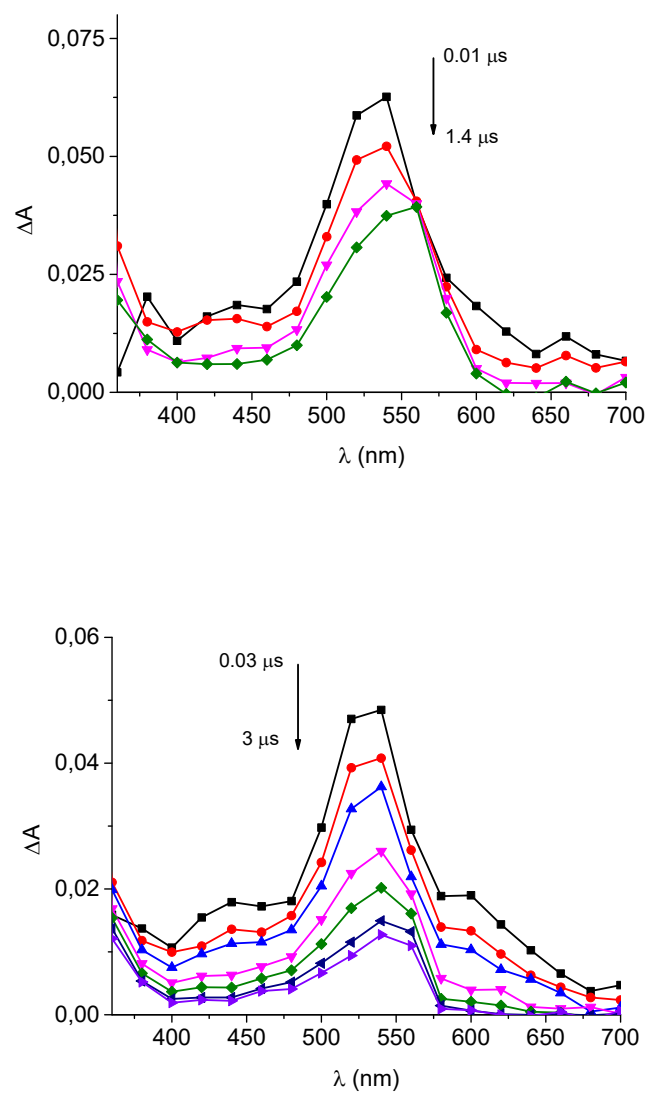


Figure S3. Transient absorption spectra of KP-Me in ethanol (up), or hexane (bottom) at different time after the 355 nm laser pulse

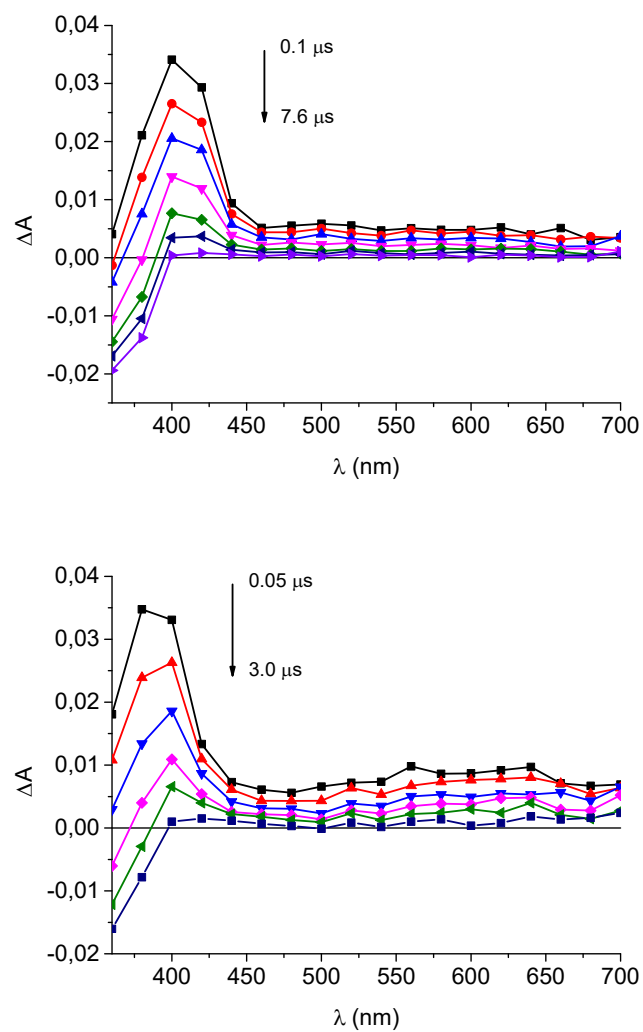


Figure S4. Transient absorption spectra of an AB-Me solution of 2 mM in ethanol (up), or 1.5 mM in hexane (bottom) at different time after the 355 nm laser pulse

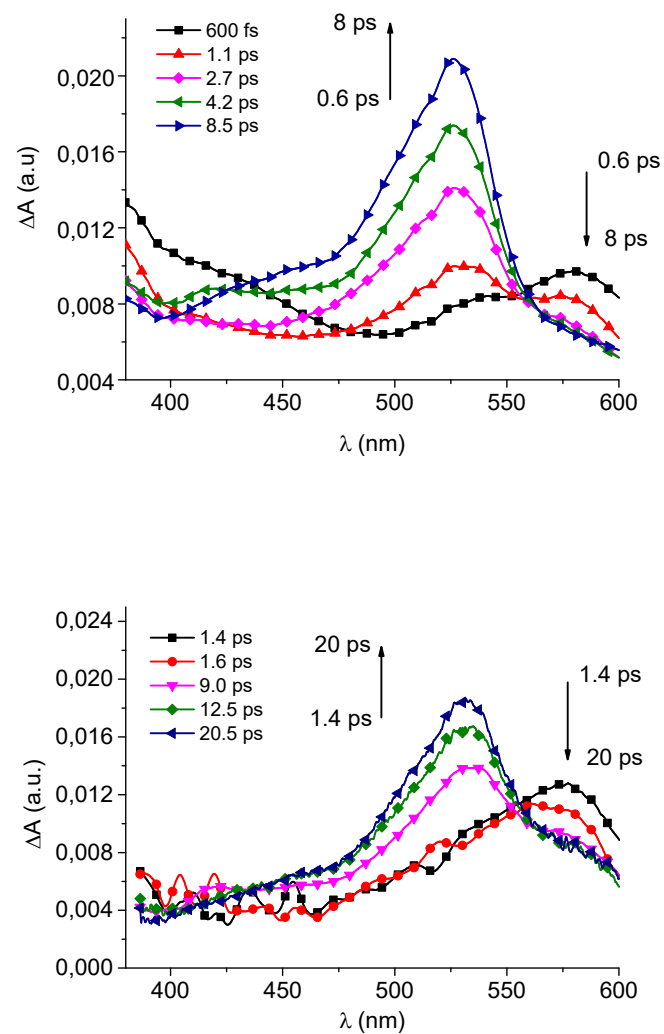


Figure S5. Transient absorption spectra of an KP-Me solution in ethanol (up), or in hexane (bottom) at different times after pump excitation

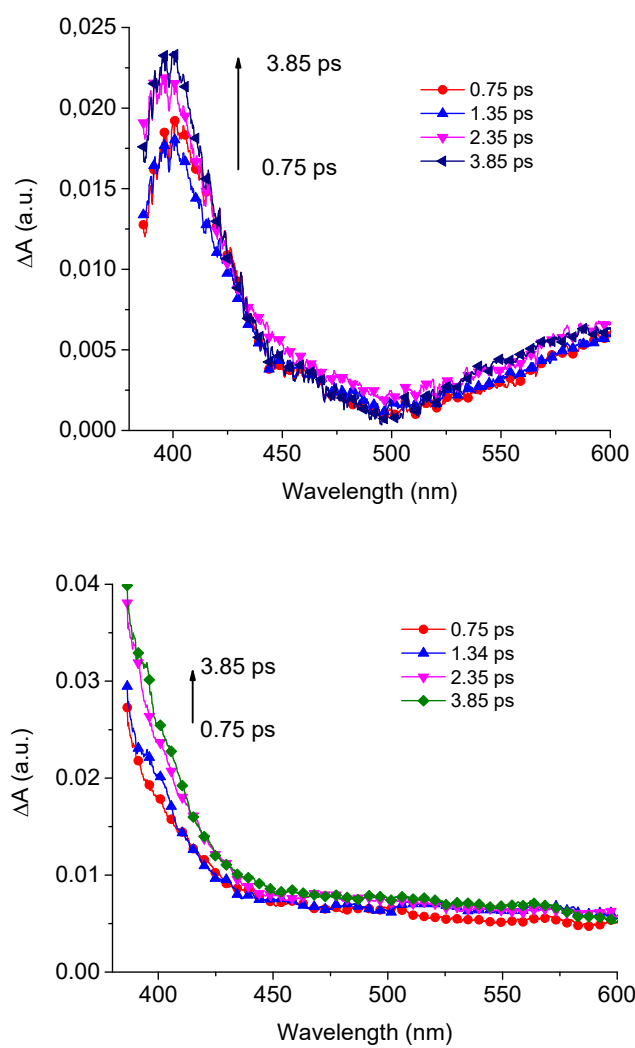


Figure S6. Transient absorption spectra of an AB-Me solution in ethanol (up), or in hexane (bottom) at different times after pump excitation

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	FC	$Q(^3\text{AB}^*)$	$Q(^3\text{KP}^*)$
<i>n</i> -Hexane			
$E(^3\text{AB}^*)$	0.000	-0.322	0.404
$E(^3\text{KP}^*)$	0.151	0.471	-0.265
Ethanol			
$E(^3\text{AB}^*)$	0.000	-0.326	0.320
$E(^3\text{KP}^*)$	0.084	0.370	-0.350

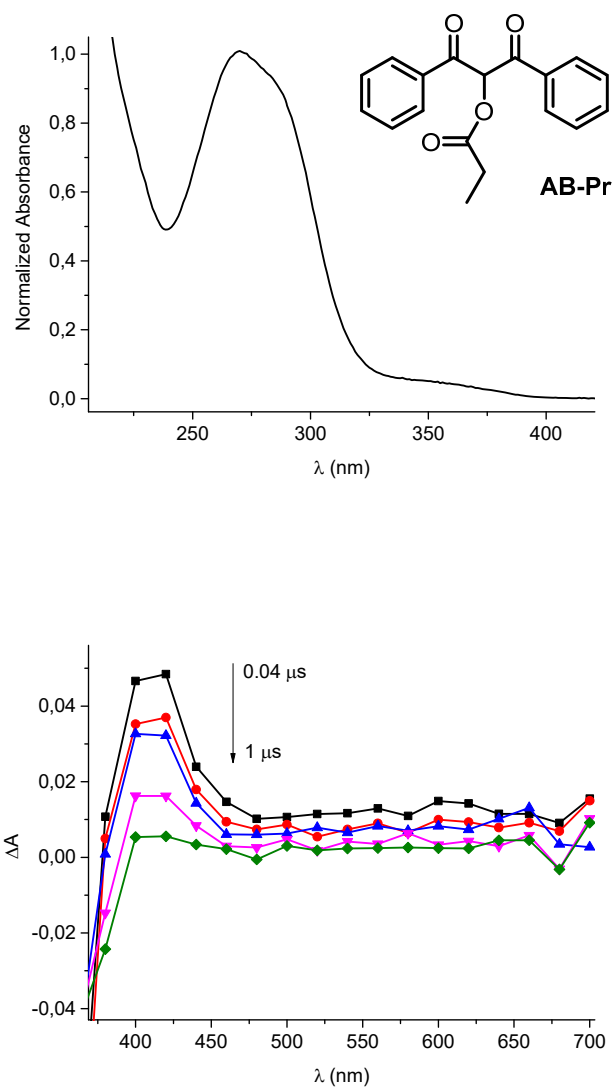


Figure S7. Normalized absorption spectrum in EtOH and structure of AB-Pr (up). Transient absorption spectra of AB-Pr in EtOH under N₂, at different times after the 355 nm laser pulse (bottom)

Table S2. Calculated equilibrium geometries for the dyad

All the coordinates are given in Å, no imaginary frequencies were found.

Franck-Condon region (S0 equilibrium geometry, in vacuo)

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Cyclohexane

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