

Electronic supplementary information for

**Fluorescent Molecular Glass Based on
Hexadehydrotribenzo[12]annulene**

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1. TG chart of C8[12]DBA

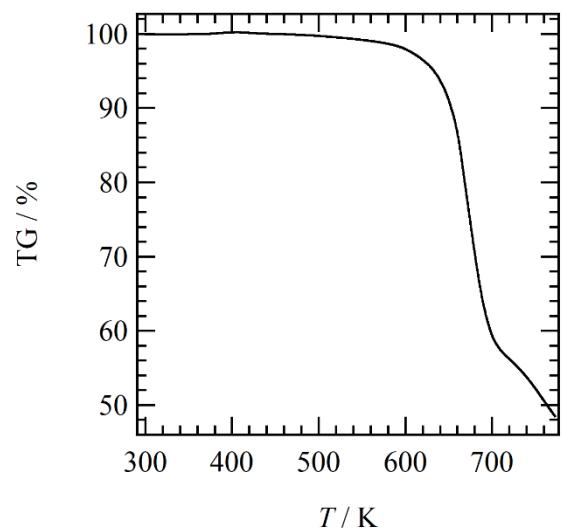


Figure S1 TG curve of C8[12]DBA.

2. ORTEP drawings of C1[12]DBA

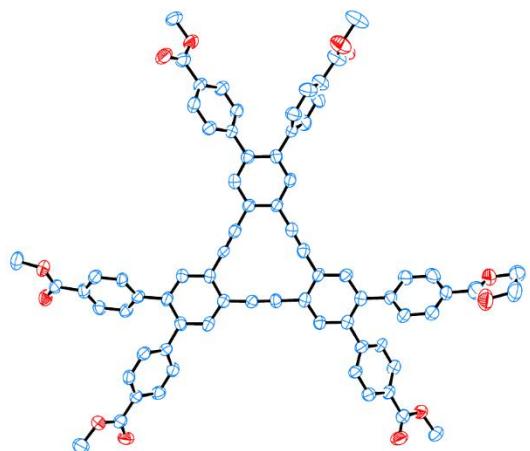


Figure S2 ORTEP drawing of C1[12]DBA. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. One of six methyl ester groups had a disordered structure. Hydrogen atoms and solvent toluene molecule are omitted for clarity.

3. HOMO and LUMO of C1[12]DBA

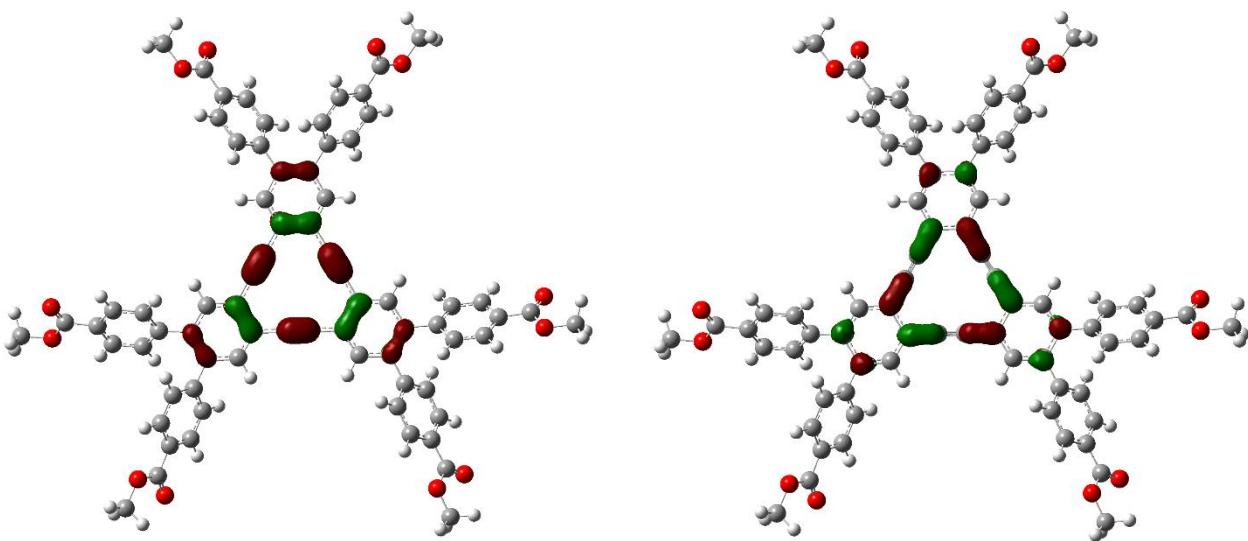


Figure S3 HOMO (left) and LUMO (right) of the optimized structure of **C1[12]DBA**

4. UV-Vis and fluorescent spectra of C1[12]DBA in solution and in the solid state

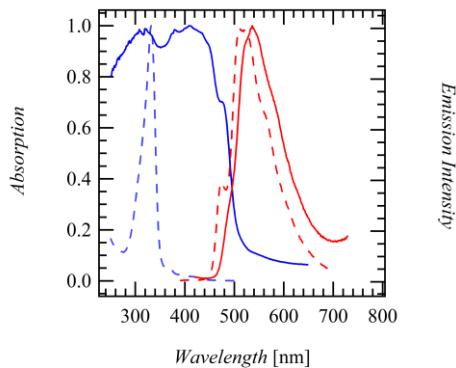


Figure S4 UV-Vis (blue) and fluorescent (red) spectra of **C1[12]DBA** in solution (CHCl₃, dotted line) and in the solid state (solid line).

5. Experimental section

General methods. Commercially available reagents and solvents were used as received. **[12]DBAC_A** was prepared by as described in the literature.^{S1} ¹H (400 MHz) and ¹³C (100 MHz) NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 400 NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are expressed in ppm with reference to tetramethylsilane (¹H 0.00 ppm) or residual nondeuterated solvent (CDCl₃; ¹³C 77.0 ppm) as an internal standard. Mass spectra were recorded on a JMS-700 spectrometer at the NMR and MS Laboratory, Graduate School of Agriculture, Tohoku University. Elemental analyses were performed on a Microcoder JM10 at the

Elementary Analysis Laboratory, Institute of Multidisciplinary Research for Advanced Materials, Tohoku University. IR spectra were measured on a Thermo Scientific NICOLET 6700 FT-IR spectrometer.

Preparation of C8[12]DBA.

A mixture of **[12]DBACA** (101 mg, 98.7 μ mol), 1-octanol (10 mL) and conc. H₂SO₄ (a few drops) was stirred at 150 °C for 18 h. After cooling to rt, the reaction mixture was diluted with CHCl₃ and water. The aqueous phase was separated and extracted with CHCl₃. The combined organic layer was washed with water and brine, and then dried over MgSO₄. After evaporation of solvent under reduced pressure, the crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography and GPC to give **C8[12]DBA** (124 mg, 74%) as a yellow waxy solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 12H), 7.47 (s, 6H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 12H), 4.29 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 12H), 1.75 (quint., *J* = 7.1 Hz, 12H), 1.28–1.45 (m, 60H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 18H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 143.9, 140.1, 134.1, 129.5, 129.4, 126.3, 93.2, 65.3, 31.8, 29.21, 29.15, 28.6, 26.0, 22.6, 14.1. (one aromatic carbon signal overlapped) IR 2955, 2926, 2855, 1720, 1608, 1489, 1467, 1405, 1381, 1310, 1273, 1179, 1115, 1103, 1017, 952, 904, 857, 777, 711 cm⁻¹. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₁₄H₁₃₃O₁₂: 1693.9797 [(M+H)⁺]; found: 1693.9800. Elem. Anal.: Calc. for C₁₁₄H₁₃₂O₁₂: C, 80.82 %; H, 7.85 %; Found: C, 80.60 %; H, 7.92 %.

Physical measurement. Thermogravimetric (TG) analysis was performed on a Rigaku Thermoplus EVO 2 at a scan rate of 10 K/min under a nitrogen atmosphere. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) analysis was conducted using a Mettler Toledo DSC-1 at a scan rate of 10 K/min. Temperature-dependent dielectric constants of the compounds were measured using a two-probe AC impedance method at a frequency range of 1 kHz to 1 MHz (Hewlett-Packard, HP4194A) with a liquid crystal cell in a Linkam LTS350 temperature-control system. The melt of **C8[12]DBA** was fabricated on indium tin oxide(ITO) glass (SZ-A311P6N), which was sandwiched by a corresponding ITO glass to form a dielectric measurement cell with an average electrode gap of 56 μ m, and electrode area of 0.9 cm².

X-ray structural analysis. Crystallographic data for single crystals were collected using a diffractometer equipped with a rotating anode fitted with a multilayer confocal optic using Cu-K α (λ = 1.54187 Å) radiation. Structure refinements were carried out using the full-matrix least-squares method on *F*². Calculations were performed using the Crystal Structure and SHELEX software packages.^{S2} Parameters were refined using anisotropic temperature factors, except for the hydrogen atom.

Crystal data of C8[12]DBA·(toluene): A single-crystalline sample was obtained by recrystallization from toluene. C₇₉H₅₆O₁₂, *M* = 1197.30, P2₁/n (#14), *a* = 24.3648(9) Å, *b* = 9.5585(4) Å, *c* = 25.8540(10) Å, β = 94.315(7) °, *V* = 6004.1(4) Å³, *Z* = 4, *Dc* = 1.324 g cm⁻³. Independent reflections 10960 (all), *T* = 100 K, μ = 7.19 cm⁻¹, *R* = 9.73%. CCDC 2069905.

DFT calculations. DFT calculations were performed with the Gaussian 16^{S3} program package. The optimized molecular structure of **C1[12]DBA** was obtained by DFT calculations with the B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) basis set. The stationary point was assessed by a vibration frequency analysis.

6. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of C8[12]DBA

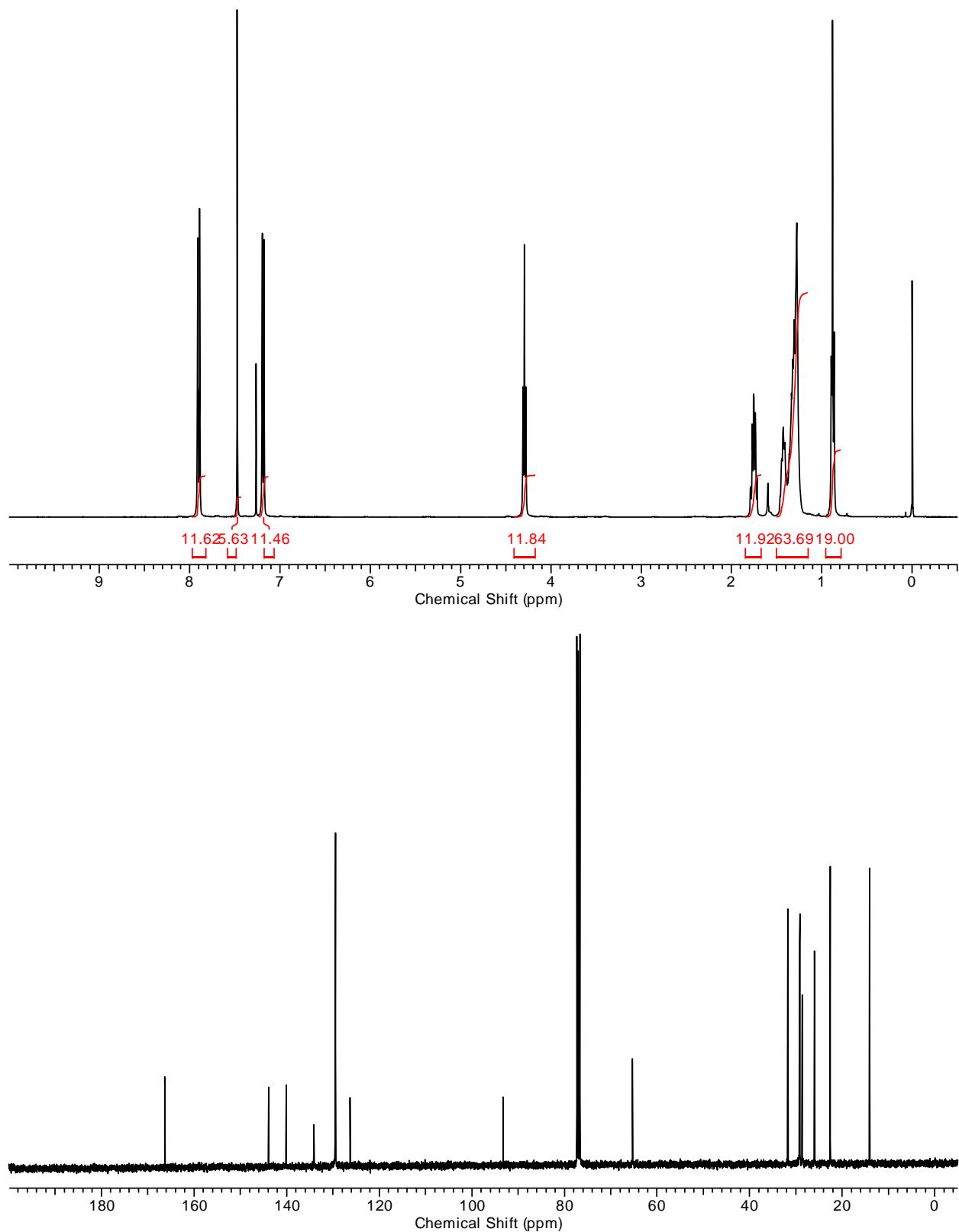
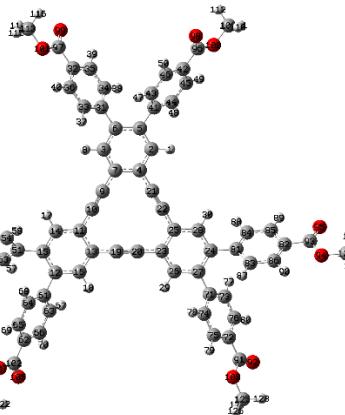


Figure S5 ^1H (top) and ^{13}C (bottom) NMR spectra of C8[12]DBA in CDCl_3 .



7. Cartesian coordinates for optimized structure of C1[12]DBA

E(RB3LYP) = -3675.31177702 a.u.

Number of imaginary frequencies: 0

Atom Number	Element	X	Y	Z
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Atom Number	Element	X	Y	Z
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