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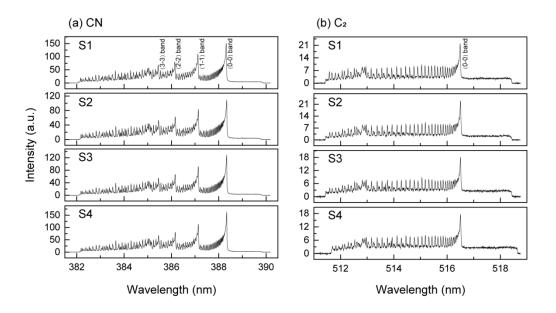
## Influence of molecular structure on heterocyclic-ring dissociation kinetics and structural evolution of laser-induced plasmas

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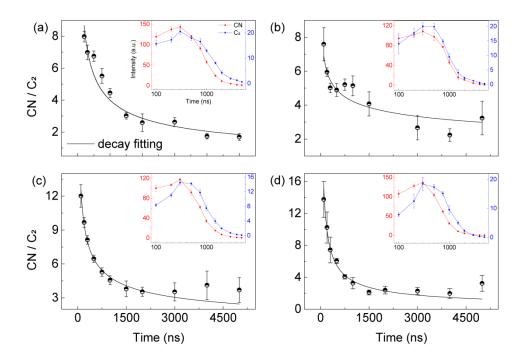
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**Fig. 1s.** LIBS spectra of (a) CN violet system  $(B^2\Sigma^+ - X^2\Sigma^+, \Delta\nu = 0 \text{ sequence})$  and (b) C<sub>2</sub> swan system  $(d^3\Pi_g - a^3\Pi_u, \Delta\nu = 0 \text{ sequence})$  of laser ablated S1 to S4.



**Fig. 2s**. Intensity ratio CN /  $C_2$  as a function of delay time for (a) S1, (b) S2, (c) S3 and (d) S4. The corresponding CN and  $C_2$  emission intensities are shown in the insets.