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1-*t*Bu



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1-*t*Bu



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Figure S96. ¹H, ¹³C HSQC spectrum of **5d** (500/125 MHz, 300 K, CDCl₃)



Figure S97. ¹H, ¹³C HMBC spectrum of **5d** (500/125 MHz, 300 K, CDCl₃)



Figure S98. ESI(+) HRMS spectrum of 3a (experimental: upper trace; simulated: black, bottom trace).





Figure S99. ESI(-) HRMS spectrum of 4a (experimental: upper trace; simulated: black, bottom trace).





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Figure S101. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 4b.





Figure S102. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 3c.





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Figure S104. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 3d.





Figure S105. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 4d.





Figure S106. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 3e.





Figure S107. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 4e.





Figure S108. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 3f.





Figure S109. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 4f.





Figure S110. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 3g.





Figure S111. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 4g.







Figure S112. ESI(-) HRMS spectrum of 3h (experimental: upper trace; simulated: black, bottom trace).





Figure S113. ESI(-) HRMS spectrum of 4h (experimental: upper trace; simulated: black, bottom trace).



Figure S114. API(+) HRMS spectrum of 3i.



Figure S115. ESI(+) HRMS spectrum of 3k (experimental: upper trace; simulated: bottom traces).



Figure S116. ESI(+) HRMS spectrum of 4k (experimental: upper trace; simulated: bottom traces).



Figure S117. ESI(+) HRMS spectrum of 1-tBu (experimental: upper trace; simulated: bottom trace).



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Figure S120. ESI(+) HRMS spectrum of 5c (experimental: upper trace; simulated: black, bottom trace).



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Figure S122. UV-vis spectrum of 3a (CH₂Cl₂).



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Figure S124. UV-vis spectrum of 3b (CH₂Cl₂).



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Figure S146. TD DFT-calculated electronic transitions (blue sticks) and UV-vis spectrum (black line) of **3a** (CH₂Cl₂).



Figure S147. TD DFT-calculated electronic transitions (blue sticks) and UV-vis spectrum (black line) of **4a** (CH₂Cl₂).



Figure S148. Correlation of experimental (500 MHz, $CDCI_3$, 300 K) and GIAO-calculated ¹H NMR chemical shifts of **3a**.



Figure S149. Correlation of experimental (500 MHz, $CDCI_3$, 300 K) and GIAO-calculated ¹H NMR chemical shifts of 4a.



Figure S150. Differential pulse voltammograms of selected acylated norcorroles recorded for DCM solutions with Bu_4NPF_6 (0.1 M) as supporting electrolyte, glassy carbon working electrode, platinum rod auxiliary electrode, and saturated calomel reference electrode.



Figure S151. Dependence of the calculated chemical shift of 17-H on O-C1'-C2-C3 torsion angle and the 17-H–phenyl centroid distance for **3a** (top) and selected structures calculated upon the relaxed DFT potential energy surface scan (bottom).

Computational methods

Density functional theory (DFT) calculations were performed by using the Gaussian 09.E01 program¹. DFT geometry optimizations were carried out in the unconstrained C_1 symmetry by using molecular mechanics or semiempirical models as starting geometries. DFT geometries were refined with the polarizable continuum model of solvation (PCM, standard dichloromethane parametrization) to meet standard convergence criteria, and the existence of a local minimum was verified by a normal mode frequency calculation. DFT calculations were performed by using the hybrid B3LYP functiona²⁻⁴ functional combined with the 6-31G(d,p) basis set for organic part of analyzed molecules and LANL2DZ pseudopotential for nickel(II) center. The structure optimization results are collected in the Table S1. The GIAO calculations of chemical shifts and NICS were performed by restraining the respected angle with ModRedundant option and optimization of geometry. The electronic spectra were simulated by means of time-dependent density functional theory (TD DFT) using the Tamm-Dancoff approximation for 30 states. The electronic transitions and UV/Vis/NIR were analyzed by means of the GaussSum program.⁵ The transitions were convoluted by Gaussian curves with 2000 cm⁻¹ half line width. The population analysis was performed with NBO5.0 package implemented in Gaussian.

Table S1. Computational details for **3a** and **4a**. Optimizations were performed at the $PCM(CH_2Cl_2)/B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)$ level of theory and LANL2DZ pseudopotential applied for nickel canter.

Structure	Code ^[a]	SCF E ^[b]	ZPV ^[c]	l. freq. ^[d]	G ^[e]	номо	LUMO	HLG
		a.u.	a.u.	cm ^{−1}	a.u.	eV	eV	eV
3a	PJC_3_002	-2122.705927	-2122.049433	11.89	-2122.129385	-5.03	-3.45	1.58
4a	PJC_3_001	-2122.696930	-2122.040874	12.52	-2122.120469	-4.99	-3.47	1.52

[a] Optimized geometry available as <code>.pdb file. [b] Electronic energy. [c] Zero-point vibrational energy. [d] Lowest vibrational frequency. [e] Gibbs free energy.

No.	Energy	Wavelength	Oscillator	Major contributions
	(cm⁻¹)	(nm)	Strength	
1	7140.42635994	1400.47659564	0.0005	HOMO->LUMO (100%)
2	12975.8476538	770.662562234	0.0002	H-1->LUMO (99%)
3	13804.1790523	724.418305651	0.0016	H-2->LUMO (98%)
4	16252.8782988	615.275634024	0.0009	H-3->LUMO (99%)
5	19403.2798985	515.376784355	0.004	H-4->LUMO (93%)
6	19559.7514577	511.253940094	0.1667	H-10->LUMO (11%), HOMO->L+1 (70%)
7	19729.9344422	506.844056137	0.0173	H-6->LUMO (88%)
8	20471.1579624	488.492151658	0.0012	H-5->LUMO (96%)
9	20754.258567	481.82882408	0.0183	H-9->LUMO (38%), H-8->LUMO (41%), H-7->LUMO (12%)
10	20755.8716759	481.791377214	0.0004	H-7->LUMO (86%)
11	21943.1197954	455.723711726	0.0199	H-9->LUMO (53%), H-8->LUMO (39%)
12	23641.7234228	422.98100782	0.0002	H-1->L+1 (96%)
13	24432.9533177	409.283309716	0.0948	H-10->LUMO (22%), H-2->L+1 (50%), HOMO->L+2 (17%)
14	24847.5222942	402.454614251	0.2572	H-10->LUMO (22%), H-2->L+1 (41%), HOMO->L+2 (22%)
15	25422.5956021	393.350866156	0.0003	H-12->LUMO (15%), H-11->LUMO (80%)
16	25494.3789463	392.243326307	0.007	H-13->LUMO (35%), H-12->LUMO (28%), H-11->LUMO (12%),
				H-1->L+3 (13%)
17	25560.5164094	391.228402424	0.0108	H-12->LUMO (15%), H-1->L+3 (39%)
18	25770.220561	388.044796758	0.0055	H-13->LUMO (49%), H-12->LUMO (39%)
19	26924.3999489	371.41031997	0.0128	H-3->L+1 (28%), H-3->L+3 (21%), H-2->L+3 (20%)
20	27016.3471538	370.146265262	0.0224	H-3->L+3 (41%), H-2->L+3 (13%)
21	27199.4350092	367.654695645	0.4022	H-10->LUMO (29%), HOMO->L+2 (51%)
22	27310.7395204	366.156324421	0.0165	H-3->L+1 (58%), H-2->L+3 (18%)
23	28269.7327364	353.735215441	0.4382	H-15->LUMO (12%), H-14->LUMO (73%)
24	28472.9844526	351.210109943	0.0667	H-9->L+1 (18%), H-8->L+1 (37%), H-8->L+2 (10%)
25	29860.2580704	334.893287808	0.0001	H-4->L+1 (95%)
26	30161.9094269	331.543996717	0.0018	H-6->L+1 (92%)
27	30253.8566318	330.536371667	0.1929	H-15->LUMO (76%), H-14->LUMO (10%)
28	30395.0036569	329.001440924	0.0002	H-17->LUMO (79%), H-16->LUMO (14%)
29	30441.7838137	328.495861517	0.0184	H-17->LUMO (16%), H-16->LUMO (66%)
30	30694.23535	325.794074554	0.0007	H-5->L+1 (96%)

Table S2. TD DFT-calculated electronic transitions for 3a

No.	Energy	Wavelength	Oscillator	Major contributions
	(cm)	(nm)	Strength	
1	6615.35942666	1511.63366267	0.0015	HOMO->LUMO (100%)
2	12716.1371276	786.402340557	0.0012	H-1->LUMO (98%)
3	13702.5531943	729.791000131	0.0008	H-2->LUMO (98%)
4	16056.8855725	622.785779647	0.0009	H-5->LUMO (99%)
5	17561.1095826	569.44010018	0.0058	H-3->LUMO (97%)
6	18904.0227069	528.987938443	0.0003	H-4->LUMO (97%)
7	19462.9649262	513.796332569	0.0175	H-6->LUMO (81%), HOMO->L+1 (13%)
8	19562.9776754	511.169626931	0.1354	H-6->LUMO (16%), HOMO->L+1 (64%)
9	20442.9285574	489.166704854	0.0088	H-8->LUMO (86%)
10	20519.5512282	487.340092812	0.0018	H-7->LUMO (97%)
11	21961.6705472	455.338767535	0.019	H-10->LUMO (18%), H-9->LUMO (63%)
12	23944.1813337	417.637999839	0.0251	H-1->L+1 (93%)
13	24367.6224089	410.380620324	0.2152	H-10->LUMO (35%), HOMO->L+2 (46%)
14	24834.6174233	402.663742692	0.0018	H-2->L+1 (84%)
15	25206.4390151	396.724027301	0.0007	H-12->LUMO (59%), H-11->LUMO (26%)
16	25329.8418427	394.791253024	0.004	H-15->L+3 (13%), H-1->L+3 (67%)
17	25346.7794858	394.527439102	0.0054	H-13->LUMO (19%), H-12->LUMO (25%), H-11->LUMO (51%)
18	25559.709855	391.240747909	0.0292	H-13->LUMO (68%), H-11->LUMO (20%)
19	26521.1227344	377.057943593	0.4848	H-10->LUMO (24%), HOMO->L+1 (10%), HOMO->L+2 (40%)
20	26622.7485924	375.618616736	0.0001	H-5->L+1 (17%), H-5->L+3 (36%), H-2->L+3 (27%)
21	26937.3048197	371.232388204	0.0007	H-5->L+3 (36%), H-2->L+3 (36%)
22	27508.3453555	363.526045306	0.0005	H-5->L+1 (81%)
23	28117.2939494	355.653001957	0.4842	H-15->LUMO (16%), H-14->LUMO (76%)
24	28535.0891436	350.4457249	0.0006	H-3->L+1 (86%)
25	29801.3795971	335.554935214	0.0073	H-4->L+1 (95%)
26	29827.1893388	335.264576437	0.1515	H-15->LUMO (70%), H-14->LUMO (12%)
27	30108.6768346	332.130171477	0.0079	H-17->LUMO (14%), H-8->L+1 (11%), H-6->L+1 (37%)
28	30189.3322775	331.242834657	0.0083	H-17->LUMO (54%), H-16->LUMO (17%), H-6->L+1 (21%)
29	30256.2762951	330.509937921	0.0062	H-8->L+1 (12%), H-6->L+1 (36%)
30	30376.452905	329.202360502	0.0034	H-17->LUMO (23%), H-16->LUMO (65%)

Table S3. TD DFT-calculated electronic transitions for 4a

Table S4. NICS(z) indices (z = -1, 0, 1) for DFT-optimized structures of 3a and 4a



Bq		3a			4a	
	NICS(-1)	NICS(0)	NICS(1)	NICS(-1)	NICS(0)	NICS(1)
Α	29.2	32.6	25.2	35.1	38.7	29.6
В	32.0	34.1	27.6	34.8	37.3	30.8
С	32.1	35.6	27.5	35.2	38.6	29.6
D	32.8	33.7	26.1	38.7	39.4	28.8
E	2.2	2.8	-1.2	3.4	4.7	-1.7
F	2.8	1.3	-1.6	3.7	1.9	-0.1
G	4.7	4.4	1.3	6.0	5.4	2.1
Н	3.4	3.7	-0.2	3.4	4.2	-1.2

Due to a bowl-shaped distortion of the norcorrole ring, the paratropic ring current, and thus, the NICS values calculated on the convex (NICS(1)) and the concave (NICS(-1)) face differ. Nevertheless, for each set of NICS(z), the values calculated for **3a** are considerably lower than for **4**a.



Situations of the dummy atoms Bq in **3a** (top) and **4a** (bottom).

Table S5. Natural Population Analysis Results for 1b



Atc	m	Charge	Core	Valence	Rydberg	Total
С	1	0.09809	1.99889	3.88200	0.02102	5.90191
С	2	-0.23744	1.99893	4.22676	0.01175	6.23744
С	3	-0.30335	1.99892	4.29191	0.01253	6.30335
С	4	0.19331	1.99893	3.78685	0.02091	5.80669
Ν	5	-0.45966	1.99906	5.44657	0.01403	7.45966
Н	6	0.25533	0.00000	0.74338	0.00129	0.74467
Н	7	0.25442	0.00000	0.74441	0.00118	0.74558
С	8	0.19330	1.99893	3.78686	0.02091	5.80670
С	9	-0.30332	1.99892	4.29188	0.01253	6.30332
Ν	10	-0.45965	1.99906	5.44657	0.01403	7.45965
С	11	-0.23751	1.99893	4.22683	0.01176	6.23751
Н	12	0.25443	0.00000	0.74440	0.00118	0.74557
С	13	0.09806	1.99889	3.88203	0.02102	5.90194
Н	14	0.25539	0.00000	0.74332	0.00129	0.74461
С	15	0.09704	1.99886	3.88744	0.01666	5.90296
С	16	0.09806	1.99889	3.88203	0.02102	5.90194
С	17	-0.23751	1.99893	4.22683	0.01176	6.23751
Ν	18	-0.45965	1.99906	5.44657	0.01403	7.45965
С	19	-0.30332	1.99892	4.29188	0.01253	6.30332
Н	20	0.25539	0.00000	0.74332	0.00129	0.74461
С	21	0.19330	1.99893	3.78686	0.02091	5.80670
Н	22	0.25443	0.00000	0.74440	0.00118	0.74557
С	23	0.19331	1.99893	3.78685	0.02091	5.80669
С	24	-0.30335	1.99892	4.29191	0.01253	6.30335
Ν	25	-0.45966	1.99906	5.44657	0.01403	7.45966
С	26	-0.23744	1.99893	4.22676	0.01175	6.23744
Н	27	0.25442	0.00000	0.74441	0.00118	0.74558
С	28	0.09809	1.99889	3.88200	0.02102	5.90191
Н	29	0.25533	0.00000	0.74338	0.00129	0.74467
С	30	0.09704	1.99886	3.88744	0.01666	5.90296
Ni	31	0.52442	17.99125	9.46774	0.01659	27.47558
С	32	-0.07739	1.99876	4.06378	0.01485	6.07739
С	33	0.00285	1.99882	3.98433	0.01400	5.99715
С	34	0.00189	1.99882	3.98532	0.01397	5.99811
С	35	-0.23903	1.99882	4.22826	0.01195	6.23903
С	36	-0.23943	1.99882	4.22865	0.01195	6.23943
С	37	-0.01551	1.99887	4.00237	0.01426	6.01551

Н	38	0.23881	0.00000	0.75930	0.00190	0.76119
Н	39	0.23867	0.00000	0.75944	0.00189	0.76133
C	40	-0.07739	1.99876	4.06378	0.01485	6.07739
C	41	0.00285	1.99882	3.98433	0.01400	5.99715
C	42	0.00189	1.99882	3.98532	0.01397	5.99811
C	43	-0.23903	1.99882	4.22826	0.01195	6.23903
C	44	-0.23943	1.99882	4.22865	0.01195	6.23943
C	45	-0.01551	1.99887	4.00237	0.01426	6.01551
Н	46	0.23881	0.00000	0.75930	0.00190	0.76119
Н	47	0.23867	0.00000	0.75944	0.00189	0.76133
C	48	-0.70430	1.99923	4.69793	0.00714	6.70430
Н	49	0.25201	0.00000	0.74617	0.00182	0.74799
Н	50	0.25198	0.00000	0.74619	0.00183	0.74802
Н	51	0.24427	0.00000	0.75429	0.00144	0.75573
C	52	-0.70476	1.99923	4.69842	0.00711	6.70476
Н	53	0.25220	0.00000	0.74600	0.00180	0.74780
Н	54	0.25222	0.00000	0.74599	0.00180	0.74778
Н	55	0.24483	0.00000	0.75372	0.00144	0.75517
C	56	-0.69946	1.99923	4.69300	0.00722	6.69946
Н	57	0.25012	0.00000	0.74820	0.00168	0.74988
Н	58	0.24442	0.00000	0.75403	0.00155	0.75558
Н	59	0.24498	0.00000	0.75346	0.00157	0.75502
C	60	-0.70430	1.99923	4.69793	0.00714	6.70430
Н	61	0.25201	0.00000	0.74617	0.00182	0.74799
Н	62	0.25198	0.00000	0.74619	0.00183	0.74802
Н	63	0.24427	0.00000	0.75429	0.00144	0.75573
C	64	-0.70476	1.99923	4.69842	0.00711	6.70476
Н	65	0.25220	0.00000	0.74600	0.00180	0.74780
Н	66	0.25222	0.00000	0.74599	0.00180	0.74778
Н	67	0.24483	0.00000	0.75372	0.00144	0.75517
C	68	-0.69946	1.99923	4.69300	0.00722	6.69946
Н	69	0.25012	0.00000	0.74820	0.00168	0.74988
Н	70	0.24442	0.00000	0.75403	0.00155	0.75558
Н	71	0.24498	0.00000	0.75346	0.00157	0.75502
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* Total * -0.00000 97.94909 203.42781 0.62310 302.00000

Table S6. Natural Population Analysis Results for 3a



At	om	Charge	Core	Valence	Rydberg	Total
С	1	0.10661	1.99888	3.87365	0.02086	5.89339
С	2	-0.22490	1.99893	4.21423	0.01174	6.22490
С	3	-0.29396	1.99892	4.28247	0.01258	6.29396
С	4	0.21707	1.99894	3.76286	0.02113	5.78293
Ν	5	-0.45965	1.99905	5.44647	0.01413	7.45965
Н	6	0.25905	0.00000	0.73968	0.00127	0.74095
Н	7	0.25833	0.00000	0.74051	0.00116	0.74167
С	8	0.17763	1.99893	3.80263	0.02081	5.82237
С	9	-0.29910	1.99892	4.28771	0.01247	6.29910
Ν	10	-0.45738	1.99905	5.44428	0.01405	7.45738
С	11	-0.24125	1.99893	4.23055	0.01177	6.24125
Н	12	0.25505	0.00000	0.74378	0.00117	0.74495
С	13	0.10124	1.99890	3.87865	0.02121	5.89876
Н	14	0.25604	0.00000	0.74267	0.00129	0.74396
С	15	0.09978	1.99886	3.88473	0.01663	5.90022
С	16	0.10068	1.99889	3.87902	0.02140	5.89932
С	17	-0.20909	1.99889	4.19964	0.01055	6.20909
Ν	18	-0.44721	1.99906	5.43395	0.01420	7.44721
С	19	-0.20425	1.99884	4.18992	0.01549	6.20425
С	20	0.23614	1.99890	3.74195	0.02301	5.76386
С	21	0.20682	1.99893	3.77195	0.02229	5.79318
С	22	-0.28877	1.99891	4.27631	0.01355	6.28877
Ν	23	-0.45889	1.99905	5.44580	0.01404	7.45889
С	24	-0.23275	1.99893	4.22224	0.01158	6.23275
Н	25	0.26576	0.00000	0.73263	0.00161	0.73424
С	26	0.10222	1.99889	3.87791	0.02097	5.89778
Н	27	0.25676	0.00000	0.74197	0.00127	0.74324
С	28	0.09899	1.99886	3.88552	0.01663	5.90101
Ni	29	0.52904	17.99125	9.46310	0.01661	27.47096
С	30	-0.07883	1.99876	4.06527	0.01480	6.07883
С	31	0.00331	1.99882	3.98389	0.01399	5.99669
С	32	0.00222	1.99882	3.98499	0.01397	5.99778
С	33	-0.23867	1.99882	4.22790	0.01195	6.23867
С	34	-0.23903	1.99882	4.22826	0.01195	6.23903
С	35	-0.01486	1.99887	4.00173	0.01425	6.01486

Н	36	0.23917	0.00000	0.75894	0.00189	0.76083
н	37	0.23900	0.00000	0.75911	0.00189	0.76100
С	38	-0.08145	1.99876	4.06791	0.01477	6.08145
С	39	0.00387	1.99882	3.98333	0.01399	5.99613
С	40	0.00176	1.99882	3.98546	0.01396	5.99824
С	41	-0.23793	1.99882	4.22715	0.01196	6.23793
С	42	-0.23882	1.99882	4.22803	0.01196	6.23882
С	43	-0.01367	1.99887	4.00054	0.01425	6.01367
Н	44	0.23993	0.00000	0.75819	0.00188	0.76007
Н	45	0.23943	0.00000	0.75868	0.00189	0.76057
С	46	-0.70439	1.99923	4.69799	0.00717	6.70439
Н	47	0.25241	0.00000	0.74580	0.00179	0.74759
Н	48	0.25052	0.00000	0.74763	0.00185	0.74948
Н	49	0.24567	0.00000	0.75289	0.00144	0.75433
С	50	-0.70530	1.99923	4.69892	0.00715	6.70530
Н	51	0.25275	0.00000	0.74546	0.00179	0.74725
Н	52	0.25207	0.00000	0.74617	0.00175	0.74793
н	53	0.24620	0.00000	0.75237	0.00143	0.75380
С	54	-0.69977	1.99923	4.69329	0.00724	6.69977
Н	55	0.25072	0.00000	0.74762	0.00167	0.74928
н	56	0.24492	0.00000	0.75353	0.00155	0.75508
н	57	0.24554	0.00000	0.75291	0.00155	0.75446
С	58	-0.70446	1.99923	4.69808	0.00715	6.70446
н	59	0.25245	0.00000	0.74575	0.00180	0.74755
н	60	0.25133	0.00000	0.74685	0.00182	0.74867
н	61	0.24484	0.00000	0.75372	0.00144	0.75516
С	62	-0.70497	1.99923	4.69861	0.00713	6.70497
Н	63	0.25174	0.00000	0.74646	0.00180	0.74826
Н	64	0.25274	0.00000	0.74548	0.00177	0.74726
Н	65	0.24532	0.00000	0.75324	0.00144	0.75468
С	66	-0.69956	1.99923	4.69310	0.00723	6.69956
Н	67	0.25056	0.00000	0.74777	0.00167	0.74944
Н	68	0.24454	0.00000	0.75391	0.00155	0.75546
Н	69	0.24496	0.00000	0.75348	0.00156	0.75504
Н	70	0.26219	0.00000	0.73629	0.00152	0.73781
C	71	0.54956	1.99898	3.41615	0.03531	5.45044
C	72	-0.13188	1.99883	4.11767	0.01538	6.13188
C	73	-0.21979	1.99892	4.20806	0.01282	6.21979
C	74	-0.19859	1.99892	4.18560	0.01408	6.19859
C	75	-0.24022	1.99895	4.22719	0.01408	6.24022
Н	76	0.24940	0.00000	0.74857	0.00204	0.75060
C	77	-0.24041	1.99895	4.22766	0.01379	6.24041
н	78	0.25525	0.00000	0.74218	0.00257	0.74475
C	79	-0.22340	1.99895	4.21081	0.01363	6.22340
Н	80	0.24806	0.00000	0.75031	0.00163	0.75194
Н	81	0.24828	0.00000	0.75009	0.00163	0.75172
Н	82	0.24723	0.00000	0.75116	0.00161	0.75277
0	83	-0.60197	1.99975	6.58610	0.01612	8.60197
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* Total * -0.00000 113.94117 241.28506 0.77378 356.00000

Table S7. Natural Population Analysis Results for 4a



Ato	om	Charge	Core	Valence	Rydberg	Total
С	1	0.10463	1.99888	3.87566	0.02083	5.89537
С	2	-0.21978	1.99893	4.20907	0.01177	6.21978
С	3	-0.29780	1.99891	4.28627	0.01262	6.29780
С	4	0.21854	1.99893	3.76141	0.02112	5.78146
Ν	5	-0.46075	1.99905	5.44749	0.01421	7.46075
Н	6	0.25964	0.00000	0.73903	0.00133	0.74036
Н	7	0.25797	0.00000	0.74087	0.00116	0.74203
С	8	0.17609	1.99892	3.80415	0.02084	5.82391
С	9	-0.29852	1.99891	4.28713	0.01248	6.29852
Ν	10	-0.45792	1.99906	5.44482	0.01404	7.45792
С	11	-0.24270	1.99893	4.23199	0.01178	6.24270
Н	12	0.25494	0.00000	0.74388	0.00118	0.74506
С	13	0.10123	1.99890	3.87870	0.02118	5.89877
Н	14	0.25579	0.00000	0.74292	0.00129	0.74421
С	15	0.10687	1.99886	3.87746	0.01682	5.89313
С	16	0.13978	1.99887	3.83886	0.02248	5.86022
С	17	-0.14956	1.99884	4.13559	0.01513	6.14956
Ν	18	-0.44292	1.99907	5.42980	0.01404	7.44292
С	19	-0.26752	1.99885	4.25716	0.01151	6.26752
С	20	0.16926	1.99892	3.81090	0.02092	5.83074
Н	21	0.26128	0.00000	0.73739	0.00133	0.73872
С	22	0.20884	1.99894	3.77123	0.02099	5.79116
С	23	-0.30211	1.99892	4.29063	0.01257	6.30211
Ν	24	-0.46012	1.99905	5.44697	0.01410	7.46012
С	25	-0.22883	1.99893	4.21816	0.01173	6.22883
Н	26	0.25642	0.00000	0.74241	0.00117	0.74358
С	27	0.09945	1.99889	3.88068	0.02098	5.90055
Н	28	0.25728	0.00000	0.74143	0.00128	0.74272
С	29	0.09781	1.99886	3.88669	0.01665	5.90219
Ni	30	0.53111	17.99125	9.46117	0.01647	27.46889
С	31	-0.07880	1.99876	4.06525	0.01479	6.07880
С	32	0.00344	1.99882	3.98375	0.01398	5.99656
С	33	0.00196	1.99882	3.98525	0.01397	5.99804
С	34	-0.23863	1.99882	4.22785	0.01196	6.23863
С	35	-0.23915	1.99882	4.22838	0.01195	6.23915

С	36	-0.01464	1.99887	4.00151	0.01426	6.01464
Н	37	0.23926	0.00000	0.75885	0.00189	0.76074
Н	38	0.23894	0.00000	0.75917	0.00189	0.76106
С	39	-0.07742	1.99875	4.06299	0.01568	6.07742
С	40	0.01709	1.99882	3.96947	0.01462	5.98291
С	41	0.00058	1.99882	3.98667	0.01393	5.99942
С	42	-0.23604	1.99881	4.22522	0.01200	6.23604
С	43	-0.24027	1.99882	4.22948	0.01197	6.24027
С	44	-0.01499	1.99887	4.00183	0.01428	6.01499
Н	45	0.23767	0.00000	0.76043	0.00191	0.76233
н	46	0.23727	0.00000	0.76083	0.00190	0.76273
С	47	-0.70315	1.99923	4.69675	0.00717	6.70315
н	48	0.24957	0.00000	0.74861	0.00182	0.75043
н	49	0.24842	0.00000	0.74966	0.00193	0.75158
н	50	0.24480	0.00000	0.75375	0.00145	0.75520
C	51	-0.70424	1.99922	4.69787	0.00716	6.70424
н	52	0.26065	0.00000	0.73680	0.00255	0.73935
н	53	0.24537	0.00000	0.75288	0.00175	0.75463
Н	54	0.24171	0.00000	0.75683	0.00146	0.75829
C	55	-0.69895	1.99923	4.69253	0.00719	6.69895
н	56	0.24812	0.00000	0.75019	0.00169	0.75188
Н	57	0.24268	0.00000	0.75579	0.00153	0.75732
Н	58	0.24651	0.00000	0.75188	0.00161	0.75349
C	59	-0.70419	1.99923	4.69782	0.00715	6.70419
н	60	0.25193	0.00000	0.74627	0.00181	0.74807
н	61	0.25138	0.00000	0.74680	0.00182	0.74862
н	62	0.24482	0.00000	0.75374	0.00144	0.75518
C	63	-0.70499	1.99923	4.69862	0.00714	6.70499
н	64	0.25269	0.00000	0.74550	0.00180	0.74731
Н	65	0.25190	0.00000	0.74633	0.00178	0.74810
Н	66	0.24535	0.00000	0.75321	0.00144	0.75465
C	67	-0.69961	1.99923	4.69315	0.00723	6.69961
H	68	0.25040	0.00000	0.74793	0.00167	0.74960
н	69	0.24459	0.00000	0.75386	0.00155	0.75541
н	70	0.24526	0.00000	0.75318	0.00156	0.75474
С	71	0.55452	1.99899	3.41023	0.03625	5.44548
C	72	-0.14288	1.99882	4.12848	0.01558	6.14288
C	73	-0.21138	1.99892	4.19985	0.01261	6.21138
C	74	-0.19220	1.99892	4.17907	0.01422	6.19220
C	75	-0.24267	1.99895	4.22959	0.01413	6.24267
Н	76	0.25201	0.00000	0.74601	0.00198	0.74799
С	77	-0.24160	1.99895	4.22888	0.01377	6.24160
H	78	0.25741	0.00000	0.73991	0.00268	0.74259
C	79	-0.21796	1.99895	4.20539	0.01361	6.21796
H	80	0.24840	0.00000	0.74997	0.00162	0.75160
Н	81	0.24860	0.00000	0.74978	0.00162	0.75140
Н	82	0.24766	0.00000	0.75074	0.00160	0.75234
0	83	-0.57562	1.99974	6.55918	0.01670	8.57562

* Total * -0.00000 113.94110 241.28390 0.77501 356.00000



Figure S152. Comparison of the NPA charges distribution across macrocyclic ring atoms of 1b, 3a, and 4a.



Figure S153. Comparison of the relative energies for DFT models of the benzoylation reaction intermediates $[H3a]^+$ and $[H4a]^+$.

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