Rationalization and tuning of doublet emission in organic radicals

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Low-lying electronic states of TTM



Figure S1. Molecular structure of TTM and molecular orbital diagram.

| state | Е | f | contrib. | coeff |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1 (E) | 2.904 | 0.027 | 137A≫138A | 0.284 |
| | | | 133B≫137B | -0.264 |
| | | | 136B≫137B | 0.885 |
| 2 (E) | 2.904 | 0.027 | 137A≫139A | -0.284 |
| | | | 132B⊁137B | 0.264 |
| | | | 135B⊁137B | 0.885 |
| 3 (E) | 3.173 | 0.004 | 137A≫138A | -0.225 |
| | | | 133B⊁137B | 0.878 |
| | | | 136B≻137B | 0.348 |
| 4 (E) | 3.173 | 0.004 | 137A⊁139A | -0.225 |
| | | | 132B⊁137B | 0.878 |
| | | | 135B⊁137B | -0.348 |
| 5 (A ₁) | 3.195 | 0.009 | 137A⊁140A | 0.209 |
| | | | 134B≻137B | 0.957 |
| 6 (A ₂) | 3.324 | 0 | 137A≫146A | -0.252 |
| | | | 131B≻137B | 0.883 |
| 7 (E) | 3.598 | 0.222 | 137A⊁139A | 0.830 |
| | | | 132B≫137B | 0.329 |
| | | | 135B≫137B | 0.240 |
| 8 (E) | 3.598 | 0.222 | 137A⊁138A | 0.830 |
| | | | 133B⊁137B | 0.329 |
| | | | 136B⊁137B | -0.240 |

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reported contributions \geq 0.2 only

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Figure S2. Molecular structure of TTM-like model system **0** for θ = 90° and molecular orbital diagram.

Table S2. Vertical transition energies (in eV) to the lowest excited doublet states, oscillator strength, and dominant contributions computed at the PBE0/6-311G(d,p) level for **0** at θ = 90°.

| state | E | f | contributions | coeff |
|----------------------|-------|---|---------------|---------|
| 1 (A ₁ ") | 3.820 | 0 | 88B≫89B | 0.99044 |
| 5 (E") | 4.182 | 0 | 86B≫89B | 0.97606 |
| 6 (E'') | 4.182 | 0 | 87B≫89B | 0.97606 |
| 7 (E'') | 4.285 | 0 | 89A≫91A | 0.99235 |
| 8 (E'') | 4.285 | 0 | 89A≫90A | 0.99235 |

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Figure S3. Evolution of the energy of the SOMO/SUMO (green/purple) and HOMO/LUMO (in grey) of **0** as a function of the dihedral angle θ .

Diabatization of the adiabatic states at the ground state (D₃) geometry of 1

| | Z ₁ (| LC _x) | Z ₂ (| LC _y) | Z ₃ (| CL _y) | Z ₄ (| CL _x) |
|------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| state | β h+ | β e- | β h+ | β e- | α h+ | α e- | α h+ | α e- |
| central C | 0.011 | -0.442 | 0.011 | -0.442 | 0.262 | -0.024 | 0.262 | -0.024 |
| ligand (1) | 0.322 | -0.178 | 0.322 | -0.178 | 0.194 | -0.274 | 0.194 | -0.274 |
| ligand (2) | 0.122 | -0.173 | 0.522 | -0.184 | 0.258 | -0.477 | 0.131 | -0.070 |
| ligand (3) | 0.522 | -0.184 | 0.122 | -0.173 | 0.131 | -0.070 | 0.258 | -0.477 |

Table S3. e-/h+ contributions to the relative Mulliken fragment charges of diabatic states Z_{1-4} .

Table S4. Energy (in eV) and transition dipole moment components (in D) of diabatic states $Z_{1.4}$.

| | E | TDM(x) | TDM(y) | TDM(z) |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Z_1 (LC _x) | 3.043 | 2.258 | -2.258 | 0.000 |
| Z_2 (LC _v) | 3.043 | -2.258 | -2.258 | 0.000 |
| $Z_3 (CL_v)$ | 3.458 | 2.057 | 2.057 | 0.000 |
| Z ₄ (CL _x) | 3.458 | -2.057 | 2.057 | 0.000 |

Diabatic Hamiltonian (ground state (D₃) geometry)

| diabatic H | Z1 | Z2 | Z3 | Z4 |
|------------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|
| Z1 | 3.043 | 0.000 | 0.000 | -0.278 |
| Z2 | 0.000 | 3.043 | -0.278 | 0.000 |
| Z3 | 0.000 | -0.278 | 3.458 | 0.000 |
| Z4 | -0.278 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 3.458 |

Excited state relaxation

Table S5. Bonds and dihedrals at the D_3 and C_2 geometries.

| CI | | D ₃ geometry | C ₂ geometry |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | θ_1 | 49.7 | 45.1 |
| | θ_2 | 49.7 | 44.3 |
| | θ_3 | 49.7 | 43.8 |
| $\theta_2 $ | b ₁ | 1.470 | 1.428 |
| | b_2 | 1.470 | 1.454 |
| Cl b_3 b_1 Cl | b ₃ | 1.470 | 1.454 |
| | а | 1.407 | 1.458 |
| $/ - \frac{1}{\alpha} \theta_3 $ Cl | d/g | 1.407 | 1.414 |
| | b | 1.382 | 1.364 |
| <u>h</u> h | e/h | 1.382 | 1.379 |
| | С | 1.382 | 1.399 |
| CI | f/i | 1.382 | 1.386 |
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| Table S6. | Vertical | transitior | energies | (in eV) | to the | lowest | excited | doublet | states, | oscillator | strength, |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|------------|-----------|
| dominant | contribut | ions and | transition | dipole | mome | nt com | ponents | (in D) | comput | ed at the | PBE0/6- |
| 311G(d,p) |) level at t | the C ₂ ge | ometry. | • | | | • | . , | | | |

| (1) | | - 0 | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------|-------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| state | E | f | contributions | coeff | TDM(x) | TDM(y) | TDM(z) |
| D ₁ (E) | 2.421 | 0.035 | 137A≻138A | -0.300 | 0 | -0.769 | 0 |
| | | | 136B≫137B | 0.930 | | | |
| D ₂ (E) | 2.673 | 0.034 | 137A⊁139A | -0.262 | 0.723 | 0 | -0.044 |
| | | | 135B≻137B | 0.936 | | | |
| D ₇ (E) | 3.319 | 0.273 | 137A≫138A | 0.816 | 0 | -1.833 | 0 |
| | | | 133B≻137B | 0.366 | | | |
| | | | 136B≻137B | 0.279 | | | |
| D ₈ (E) | 3.480 | 0.251 | 137A≻139A | 0.854 | 1.715 | 0 | 0.002 |
| | | | 132B≫137B | -0.274 | | | |
| | | | 135B≻137B | 0.271 | | | |

| Diabatization of the adiabatic states at the lowest excited state (C_2) geometry of ' |
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| | Z | 7 _1 | Z | <u>7</u> _2 | Z | 7 -3 | Z | 7 _4 |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|----------------|-------|-------------|
| state | β h+ | β e- | β h+ | β e- | αh+ | α e - | αh+ | α e- |
| central C | 0.018 | -0.377 | 0.009 | -0.374 | 0.215 | -0.019 | 0.242 | -0.019 |
| ligand (1) | 0.641 | -0.229 | 0.108 | -0.229 | 0.301 | -0.504 | 0.174 | -0.029 |
| ligand (2) | 0.156 | -0.183 | 0.431 | -0.189 | 0.140 | -0.136 | 0.221 | -0.405 |
| ligand (3) | 0.156 | -0.183 | 0.431 | -0.189 | 0.140 | -0.136 | 0.221 | -0.405 |

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Figure S4. TTM molecule with vector representation of TDMs of Z_{1-4} diabatic states at the lowest excited state (C_2) geometry of **1**.

Table S8. Energy (in eV) and transition dipole moment components (in D) of diabatic states Z_{1-4} at the lowest excited state (C_2) geometry of **1**.

| | E | TDM(x) | TDM(y) | TDM(z) |
|----------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Z ₁ | 2.421 | 0.000 | 3.968 | 0.000 |
| Z_2 | 2.673 | -3.451 | 0.000 | 0.100 |
| Z ₃ | 3.108 | 0.000 | 3.126 | 0.000 |
| Z_4 | 3.347 | -3.236 | 0.000 | -0.050 |

| Diabatic Hamiltonian | (C ₂ geometry) |) |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---|
|----------------------|---------------------------|---|

| diabatic H | Z1 | Z2 | Z3 | Z4 |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Z1 | 2.632 | 0.000 | 0.381 | 0.000 |
| Z2 | 0.000 | 2.807 | 0.000 | 0.300 |
| Z3 | 0.381 | 0.000 | 3.108 | 0.000 |
| Z4 | 0.000 | 0.300 | 0.000 | 3.347 |

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| molecule | Е | f | contrib. | coeff |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|
| 1H | 2.906 | 0.018 | SOMO≻LUMO | 0.255 |
| | | | HOMO-2≫SUMO | 0.492 |
| | | | HOMO≻SUMO | 0.781 |
| 1NO ₂ | 2.764 | 0.018 | SOMO≻LUMO | 0.730 |
| | | | HOMO-5≫SUMO | 0.268 |
| | | | HOMO-4≫SUMO | -0.364 |
| | | | HOMO-1≫SUMO | -0.420 |
| 1NH ₂ | 2.548 | 0.082 | HOMO≻SUMO | 0.954 |
| 1'NH₂ | 2.243 | 0.133 | HOMO≻SUMO | 0.943 |
| 1"NH₂ | 2.158 | 0.119 | HOMO-1≫SUMO | 0.221 |
| | | | HOMO≻SUMO | 0.958 |