

Supporting Information

Quest on Singlet Fission of Organic Sulfur-Containing Systems in the Higher Lying Singlet Excited State: An Application Prospect of Anti- Kasha Rule

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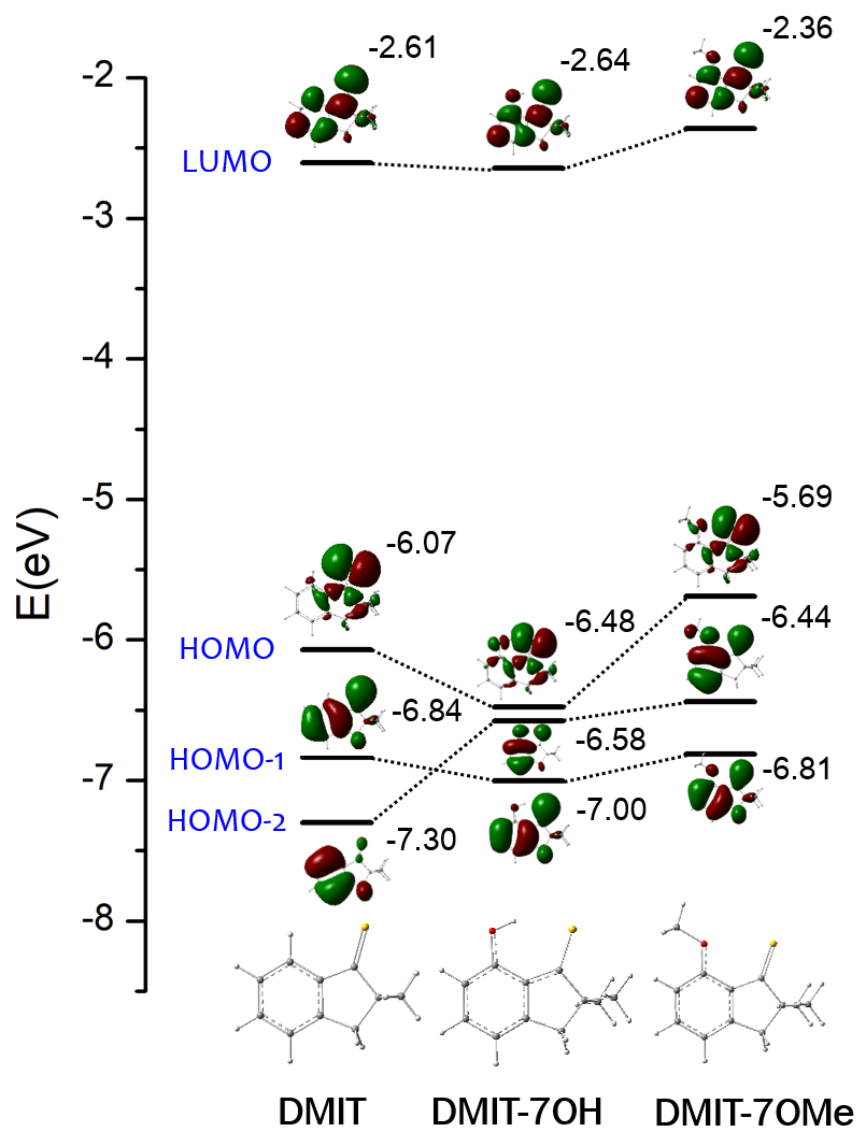


Figure S1. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of **DMIT**, **DMIT-7OH** and **DMIT-7OMe**.

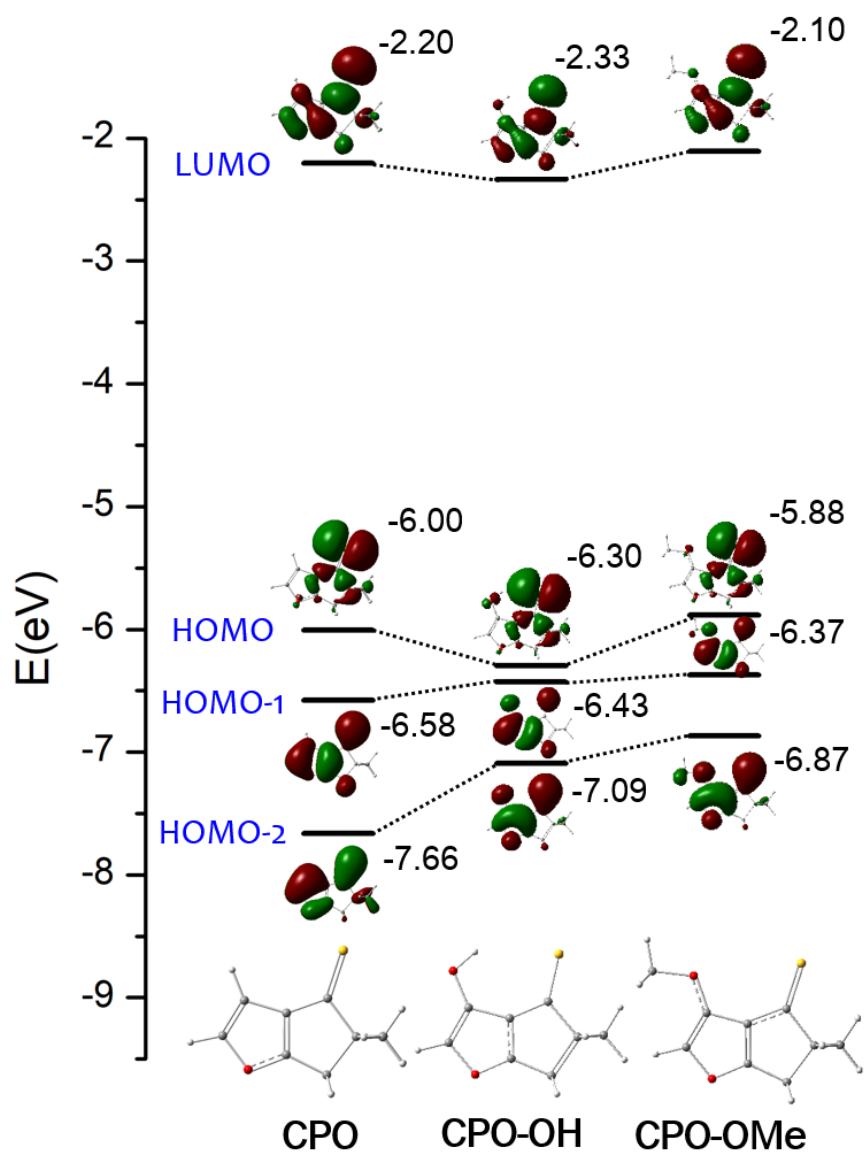


Figure S2. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of CPO, CPO-OH and CPO-OMe.

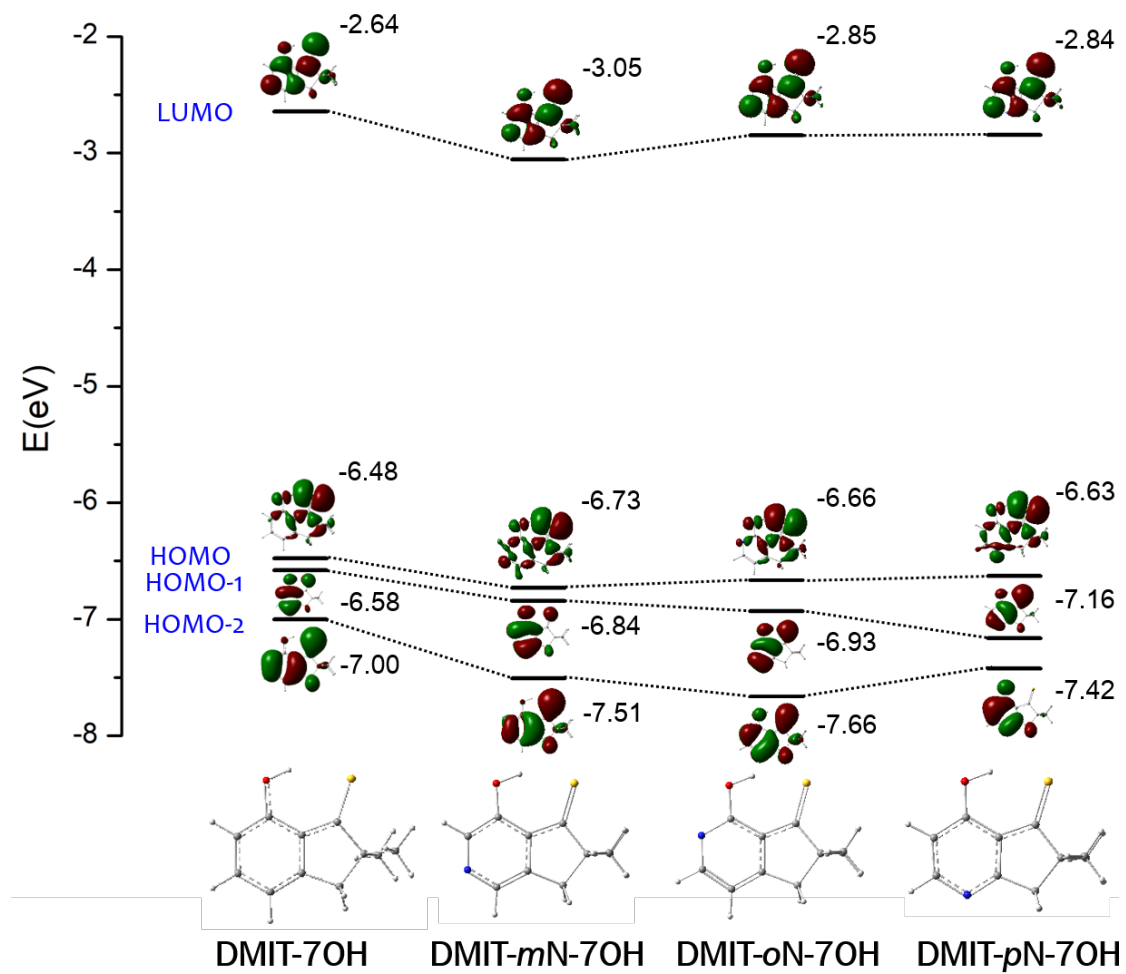


Figure S3. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of **DMIT-7OH** and its derivatives with nitrogen substituted at *meta*-, *ortho*- or *para*- position.

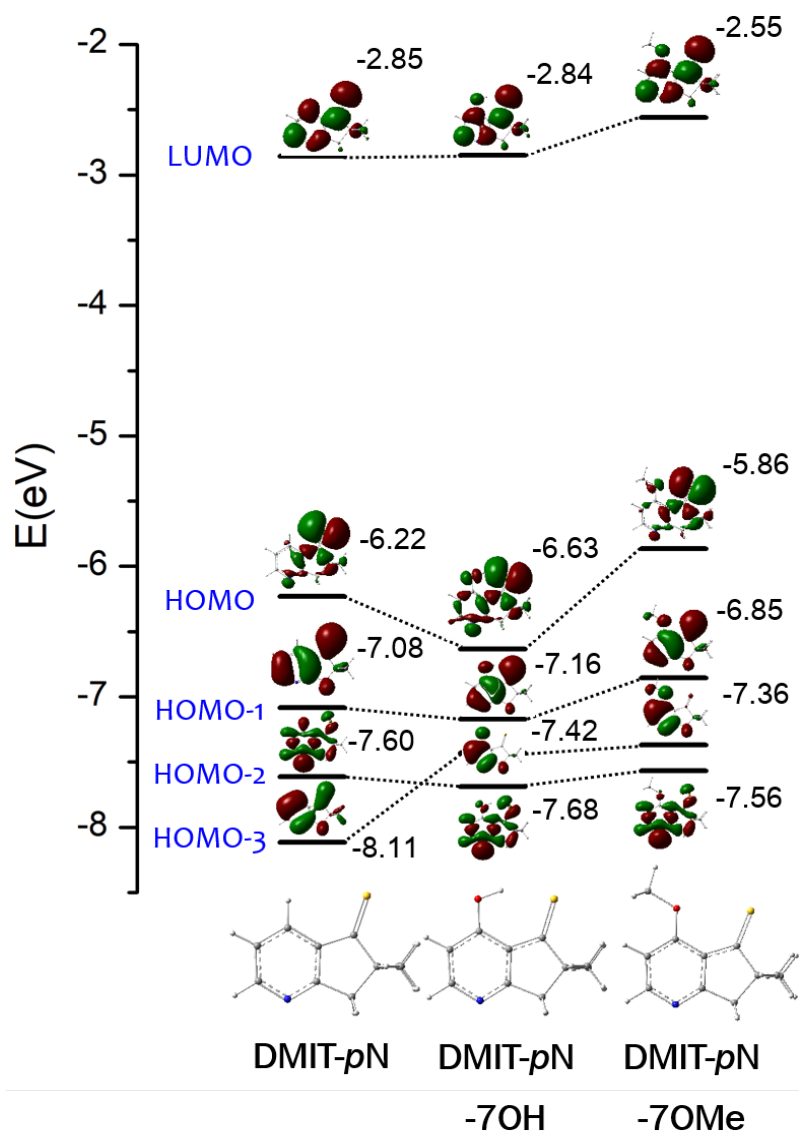


Figure S4. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **DMIT** series.

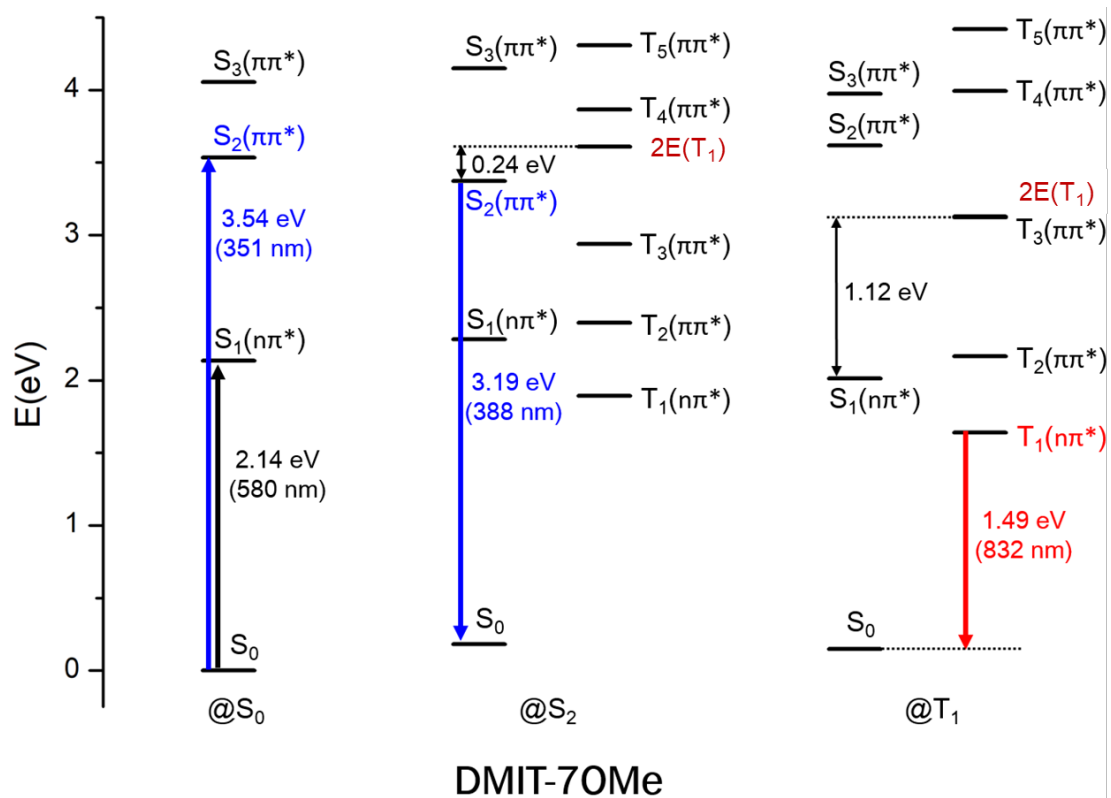


Figure S5. The detailed energy diagram of **DMIT-7OMe** at the optimized S_0 , S_2 and T_1 geometries.

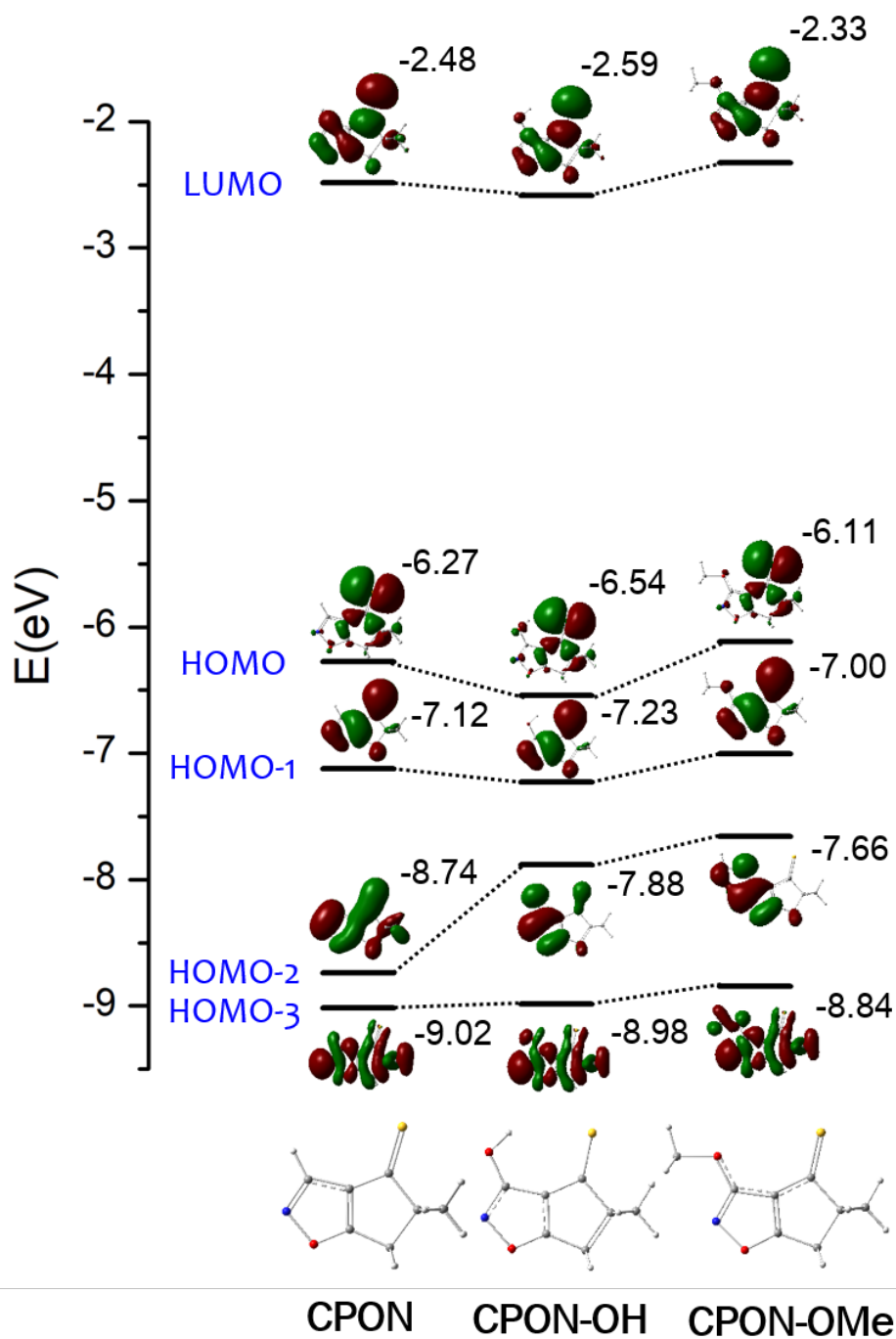


Figure S6. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **CPO** series.

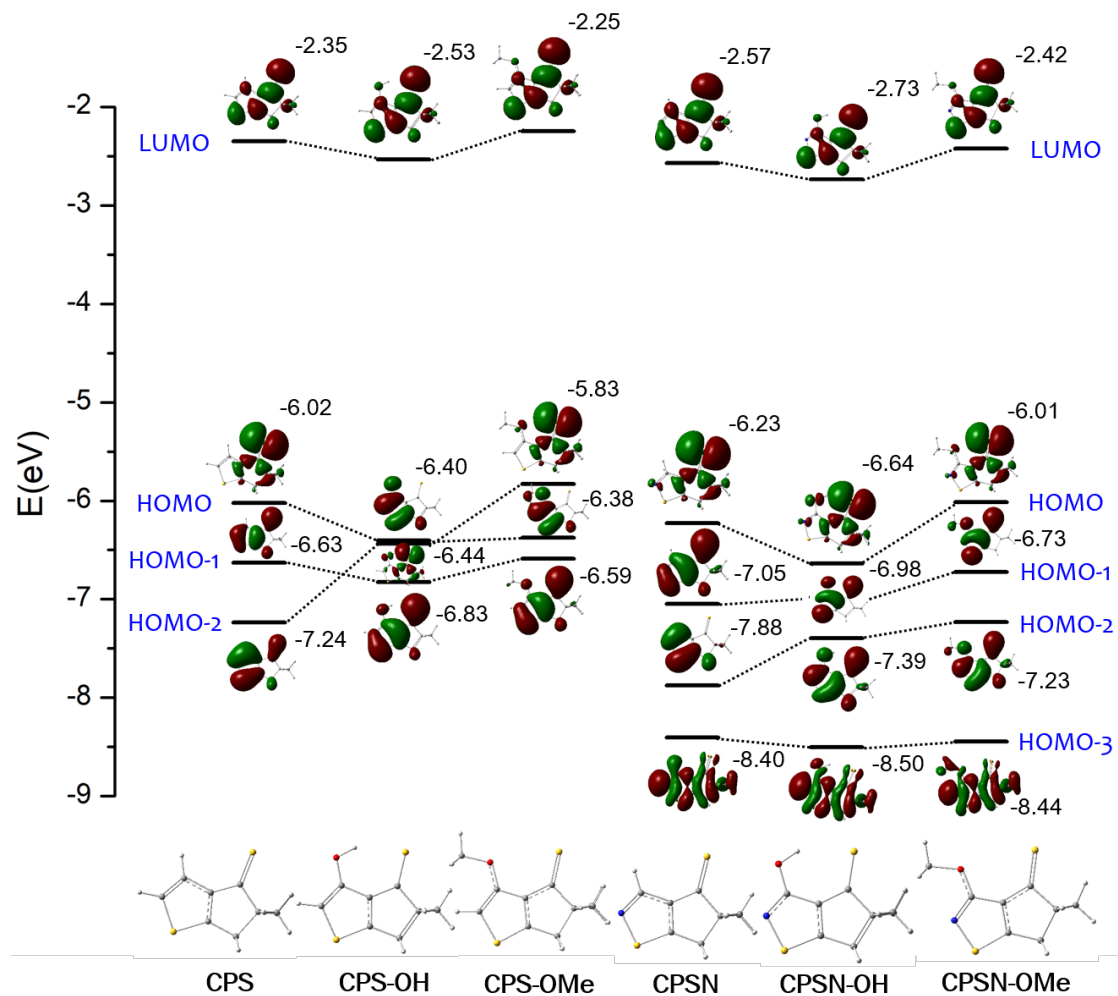


Figure S7. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **CPS** series.

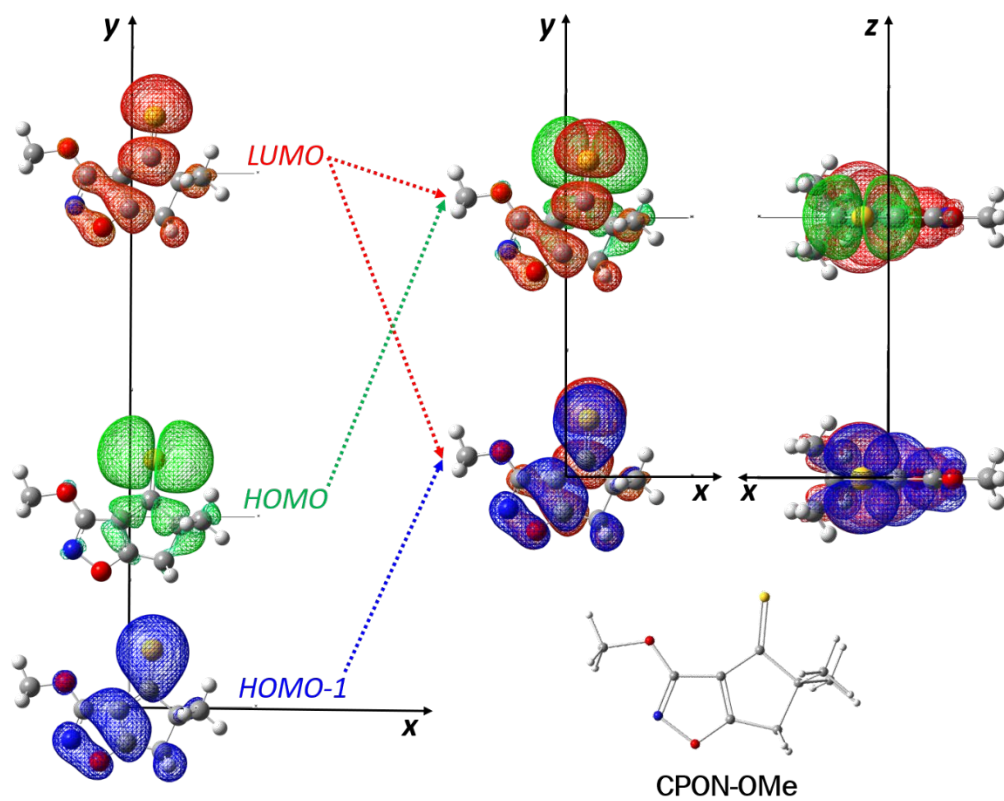


Figure S8. Top view and side view of different frontier molecular orbitals in CPON-OMe mapped together with total density isovalue = 0.02.

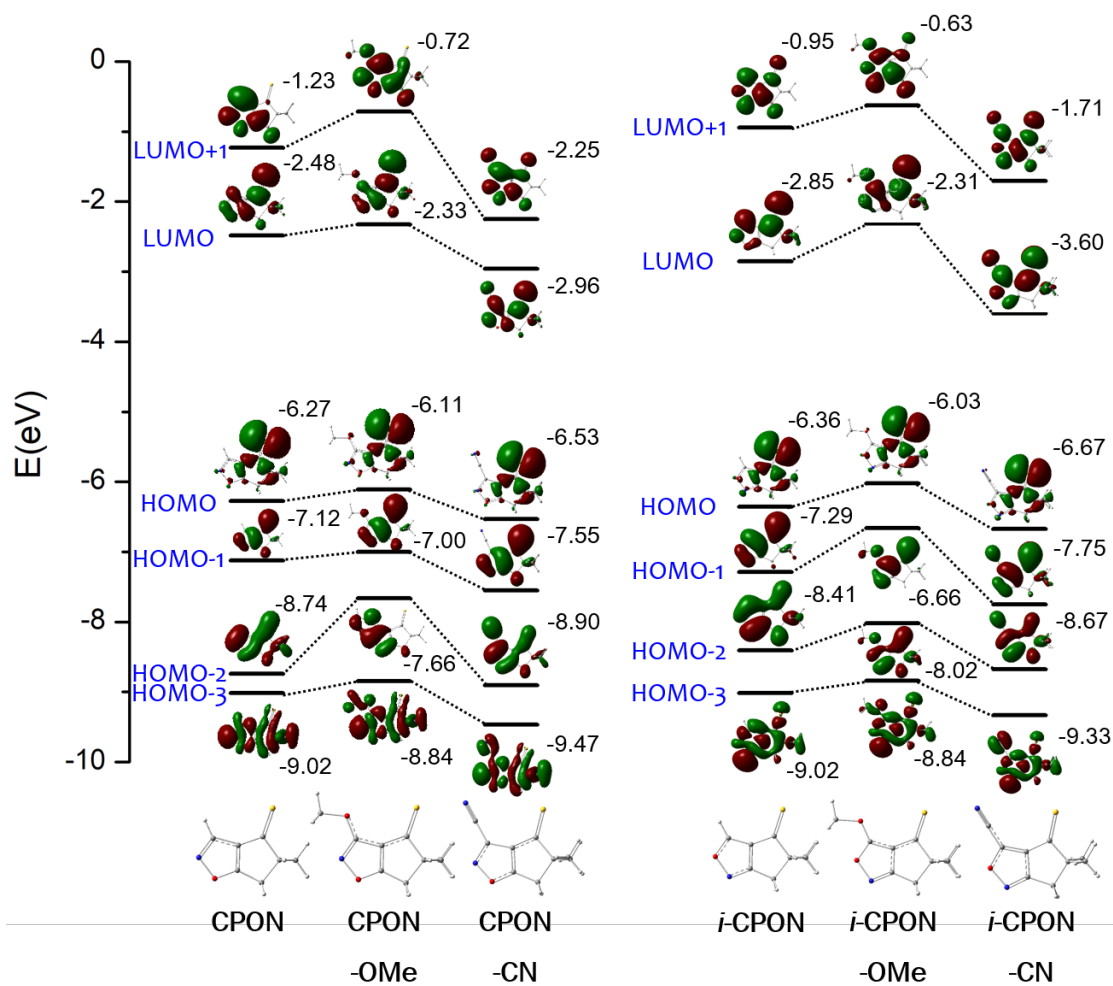


Figure S9. The molecular orbitals and their relative energy alignment at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **CPON** and ***i-CPON*** series.

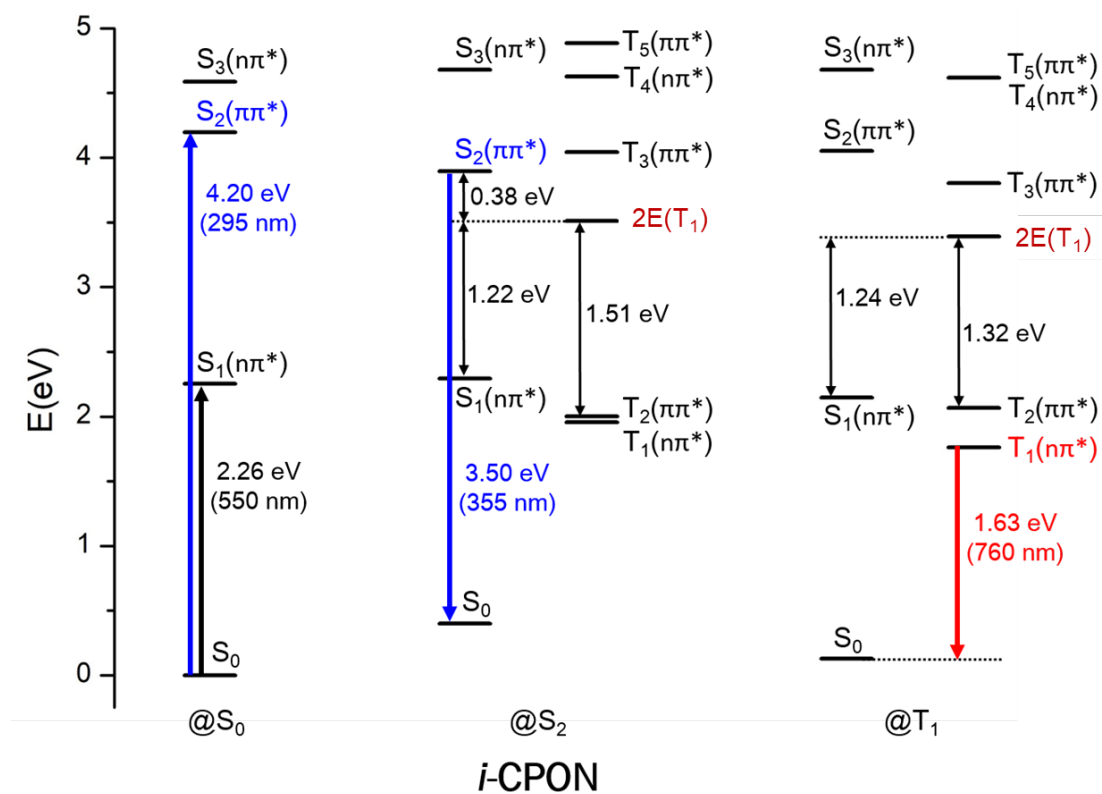


Figure S10. The detailed energy diagram at the optimized S_0 , S_2 and T_1 geometries of *i*-CPON.

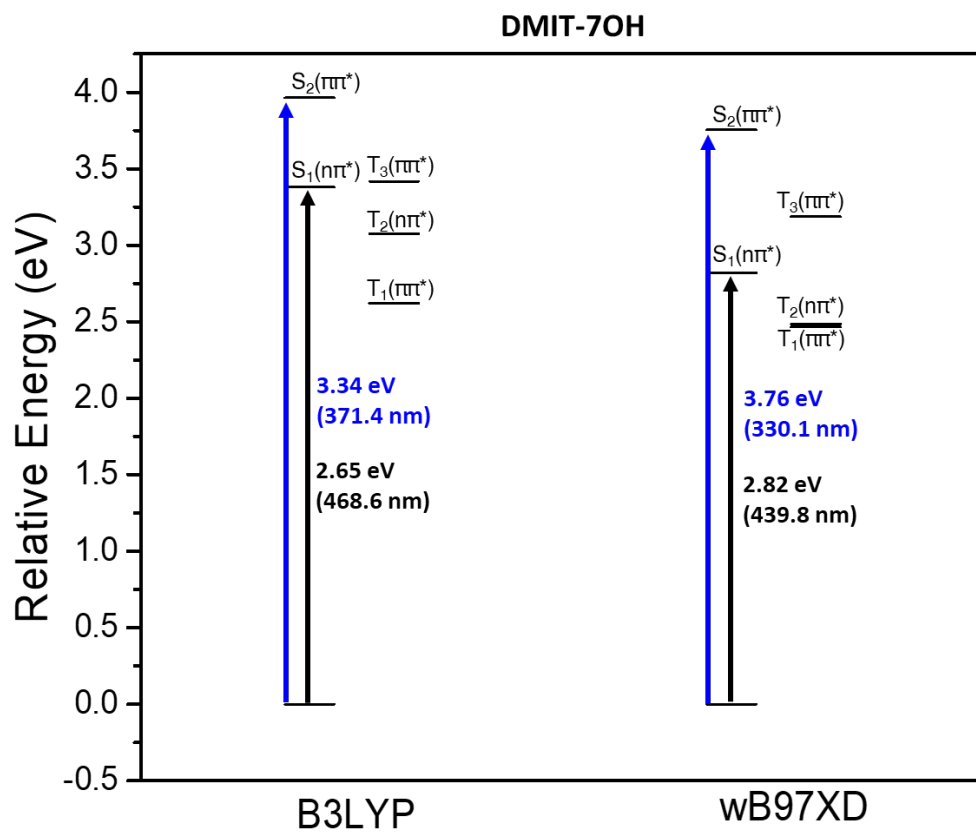


Figure S11. The energy diagram at the optimized S_0 geometries of **DMIT-7OH** with b3lyp and ω B97XD

Table S1. Calculated excitation data at the optimized S₀ geometry of the **DMIT** derivatives.

Compound	Excited state	Energy (eV)	Contribution	Character	$\Delta E(S_2-S_1)$ E(eV)
DMIT	S ₁	2.26	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.63
	S ₂	3.89	H-1 → L (0.77) H-2 → L (0.19)	ππ*	
	T ₁	1.65	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	
	T ₂	1.95	H-1 → L (0.94)	ππ*	
DMIT-7OH	S ₁	2.65	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	0.7
	S ₂	3.34	H-1 → L (0.93)	ππ*	
	T ₁	1.95	H → L (0.97)	nπ*	
	T ₂	2.18	H-1 → L (0.64) H-2 → L (0.31)	ππ*	
DMIT-7OMe	S ₁	2.14	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.4
	S ₂	3.54	H-1 → L (0.82) H-2 → L (0.16)	ππ*	
	T ₁	1.49	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	
	T ₂	2.02	H-1 → L (0.86) H-2 → L (0.1)	ππ*	

DMIT-<i>p</i>N	S ₁	2.19	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.54	
	S ₂	3.73	H-2 → L (0.98)	σπ*		
	S ₃	3.90	H-1 → L (0.95)	ππ*		
DMIT-<i>m</i>N	S ₁	2.48	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	0.73	
	-7OH	S ₂	3.21	H-1 → L (0.97)		ππ*
		S ₃	3.55	H-3 → L (0.97)		σπ*
DMIT-<i>o</i>N	S ₁	2.63	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1	
	-7OH	S ₂	3.63	H-1 → L (0.91)		ππ*
		S ₃	3.9	H-3 → L (0.98)		σπ*
DMIT-<i>p</i>N	S ₁	2.60	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.23	
	-7OH	S ₂	3.83	H-3 → L (0.98)		σπ*
		S ₃	3.86	H-2 → L (0.75)		ππ*
			H-1 → L (0.22)			
DMIT-<i>p</i>N	S ₁	2.12	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.85	
	-7OMe	S ₂	3.97	H-1 → L (0.79)		ππ*
				H-2 → L (0.19)		
	S ₃	3.99	H-3 → L (0.97)	σπ*		

Table S2. Calculated excitation data at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **CPO** series.

Compound	Excited state	Energy (eV)	Contribution	Character	$\Delta E(S_2-S_1)$ E(eV)
CPO	S ₁	2.53	H → L (1)	$n\pi^*$	1.53
	S ₂	4.06	H-1 → L (0.93)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₁	1.96	H → L (0.99)	$n\pi^*$	
	T ₂	2.16	H-1 → L (0.91)	$\pi\pi^*$	
CPO-OH	S ₁	2.7	H → L (1)	$n\pi^*$	0.77
	S ₂	3.47	H-1 → L (0.9)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₁	2.04	H → L (0.96)	$n\pi^*$	
	T ₂	2.15	H-1 → L (0.59) H-2 → L (0.34)	$\pi\pi^*$	
CPO-OMe	S ₁	2.5	H → L (1)	$n\pi^*$	1.16
	S ₂	3.66	H-1 → L (0.84) H-2 → L (0.15)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₁	1.92	H → L (0.99)	$n\pi^*$	
	T ₂	2.17	H-1 → L (0.64) H-2 → L (0.36)	$\pi\pi^*$	

CPON	S ₁	2.5	H → L (1)	nπ*	1.79
	S ₂	4.29	H → L+1 (1)	nπ*	
	S ₃	4.36	H-1 → L (0.96)	ππ*	
	S ₆	5.57	H-3 → L (0.99)	σπ*	
CPON	S ₁	2.68	H → L (1)	nπ*	1.67
-OH	S ₂	4.35	H-1 → L (0.88)	ππ*	
	S ₆	5.45	H-3 → L (0.99)	σπ*	
CPON	S ₁	2.50	H → L (1)	nπ*	1.93
-OMe	S ₂	4.42	H-1 → L (0.96)	ππ*	
	S ₇	5.58	H-3 → L (0.99)	σπ*	

Table S3. Calculated excitation data at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **CPS** series.

Compound	Excited state	Energy (eV)	Contribution	Character	$\Delta E(S_2-S_1)$ E(eV)
CPS	S ₁	2.43	H → L (0.99)	$n\pi^*$	1.54
	S ₂	3.97	H-1 → L (0.83) H-2 → L (0.14)	$\pi\pi^*$	
CPS-OH	S ₁	2.69	H-1 → L (0.99)	$n\pi^*$	0.48
	S ₂	3.16	H → L (0.98)	$\pi\pi^*$	
CPS-OMe	S ₁	2.35	H → L (0.99)	$n\pi^*$	1.07
	S ₂	3.42	H-1 → L (0.98)	$\pi\pi^*$	

CPSN	S ₁	2.4	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.61
	S ₂	4	H → L+1 (0.99)	nπ*	
	S ₃	4.18	H-1 → L (0.95)	ππ*	
	S ₅	4.9	H-3 → L (0.99)	σπ*	
CPSN-OH	S ₁	2.68	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.01
	S ₂	3.69	H-1 → L (0.82)	ππ*	
			H-2 → L (0.17)		
S ₅	4.82	H-3 → L (0.97)	σπ*		
CPSN-OMe	S ₁	2.35	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.46
	S ₂	3.81	H-1 → L (0.82)	ππ*	
			H-2 → L (0.17)		
S ₇	5.07	H-3 → L (0.86)	σπ*		

Table S4. Calculated excitation data at the optimized S_0 geometry of the **CPON** and *i*-**CPON** series.

Compound	Excited state	Energy (eV)	Contribution	Character	$\Delta E(S_2-S_1)$ E(eV)
CPON	S ₁	2.5	H → L (1)	$n\pi^*$	1.79
	S ₂	4.29	H → L+1 (1)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₃	4.36	H-1 → L (0.96)	$\pi\pi^*$	
CPON-OMe	S ₁	2.5	H → L (1)	$n\pi^*$	1.93
	S ₂	4.42	H-1 → L (0.96)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	S ₃	4.57	H-2 → L (0.99)	$\pi\pi^*$	
CPON-CN	S ₁	2.34	H → L (0.96)	$n\pi^*$	1.17
	S ₂	3.51	H → L+1 (0.97)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₃	4.22	H-1 → L (0.9)	$\pi\pi^*$	

<i>i</i>-CPON	S ₁	2.26	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.94	
	S ₂	4.2	H-1 → L (0.98)	ππ*		
	S ₃	4.59	H → L+1 (0.98)	nπ*		
<i>i</i>-CPON	S ₁	2.45	H → L (0.99)	nπ*	1.59	
	-OMe	S ₂	4.04	H-1 → L (0.97)		ππ*
	S ₃	4.64	H → L+1 (0.99)	nπ*		
<i>i</i>-CPON	S ₁	1.93	H → L (0.98)	nπ*	1.99	
	-CN	S ₂	3.92	H-1 → L (0.99)		ππ*
	S ₃	4.02	H → L+1 (0.97)	nπ*		

Table S5. Theoretical data of the designed systems in this study at the optimized S₀, S₂ and T₁ geometries and the experimental excitation data of the cofacial perylene dimer.

^a calculated from E(S₂)@S₀ (eV) - 2E(T₁)@T₁ (eV)

Compound	DMIT-<i>p</i>N	CPON	<i>i</i>-CPON	cofacial perylene
	-7OMe	-OMe		dimer ¹
E(S ₂)@S ₀ (eV)	3.97	4.42	4.2	4.96
E(T ₁)@T ₁ (eV)	1.49	1.91	1.63	1.51
Heat loss ^a	0.99	0.6	0.94	1.94

Table S6. Spin-orbit couplings calculated as root mean squares (cm^{-1}) at S_2 -optimized structure of DMIT-derivatives

$\langle S H_{\text{so}} T \rangle$	$T_3 (\Delta E_{\text{ST}})^{\text{a}}$	$T_4 (\Delta E_{\text{ST}})$	$T_5 (\Delta E_{\text{ST}})$	$T_6 (\Delta E_{\text{ST}})$
DMIT	0.67 (0.21)	0.92 (-0.22)	0.62 (-0.96)	13.34 (-1.00)
DMIT-7OMe	2.28 (0.43)	1.42 (-0.49)	2.84 (-0.93)	11.10 (-1.35)
DMIT-pN	1.91 (0.14)	18.21 (-0.88)	1.16 (-1.24)	10.44 (-1.28)
DMIT-pN-7OMe	1.51 (1.79)	9.34 (1.27)	12.02 (0.67)	1.08 (0.41)
CPO	23.32(-0.23)	13.30(-1.01)	24.24(-1.69)	4.59(-2.41)
CPO-OMe	2.11 (0.30)	2.08 (-0.45)	13.3 (0.94)	7.76 (-1.35)
CPON-OMe	0.54 (0.30)	0.30 (-0.32)	8.50 (-1.64)	17.70 (-1.68)
<i>i</i> -CPON	0.26 (-0.26)	117.62 (-0.83)	0.12 (-1.06)	87.61 (-1.23)

^a $\Delta E_{\text{ST}} = (E_{S_2} - E_{T_n})$ at S_2 -optimized structure

Table S7. Calculated excitation data with ω B97XD at the optimized geometries of the DMIT-7OH series.

Structure	Excited state	Energy (eV)	Contribution	Character	$\Delta E(S_2-S_1)$ E(eV)
	S ₁	2.82	H-1 \rightarrow L (0.94)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₂	3.76	H \rightarrow L (0.96)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₁	2.47	H-2 \rightarrow L (0.39)	$\pi\pi^*$	
@S₀-opt			H-1 \rightarrow L (0.09)	$n\pi^*$	0.94
			H \rightarrow L (0.46)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₂	2.48	H-2 \rightarrow L (0.07)	$\pi\pi^*$	
			H-1 \rightarrow L (0.85)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₁	2.58	H \rightarrow L (0.95)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₂	3.75	H-1 \rightarrow L (0.95)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₁	2.22	H-2 \rightarrow L (0.08)	$\pi\pi^*$	
@S₁-opt			H-1 \rightarrow L (0.17)	$\pi\pi^*$	1.17
			H \rightarrow L (0.69)	$n\pi^*$	
	T ₂	2.28	H-2 \rightarrow L (0.30)	$\pi\pi^*$	
			H-1 \rightarrow L (0.39)	$\pi\pi^*$	
			H \rightarrow L (0.25)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₁	2.85	H-1 \rightarrow L (0.96)	$n\pi^*$	
	S ₂	3.38	H \rightarrow L (0.98)	$\pi\pi^*$	
@S₂-opt	T ₁	2.3	H-2 \rightarrow L (0.40)	$\pi\pi^*$	0.53
			H \rightarrow L (0.56)	$\pi\pi^*$	
	T ₂	2.54	H-1 \rightarrow L (0.95)	$n\pi^*$	

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