# Modulation of $\pi$ -bridges to obtain a series of D- $\pi$ -A

### benzothiazoles with efficient panchromatic luminescence and

# application to WLEDs

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### **Experimental section**

**Materials and methods.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a BrukerAV-400 spectrometer at 400 MHz and <sup>13</sup>C NMR were recorded on a BrukerAV-400 spectrometer at 101 MHz. CDCl<sub>3</sub> with internal standard tetramethylsilane (TMS) was used as the solvent. Mass analyses were performed on a Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL mass spectrometer and the ion source is Electron Spray Ionization (ESI).



Scheme S1 Synthetic procedure of PLB1~PLB6.

**Synthesis of compound PLB1.**<sup>1</sup> 2-Aminobenzenethiol (1.38 g, 11.0 mmol), 4dimethylaminobenzaldehyde (1.49 g, 10.0 mmol), and dimethyl sulfoxide (10 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. The reaction was stirred at 195 °C for 1 h. The reaction solution was cooled and recrystallized by adding n-hexane (20 mL) to obtain **PLB1** as a pale-yellow solid. The yield was 91.13%. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.98 (d, J=8.0, 1H), 7.93 (dd, J=12.0, 4.0, 2H), 7.80 (d, J=8.0, 1H), 7.41 (t, J=8.0, 1H), 7.27 (t, J=8.0, 1H), 6.68 (dd, J=12.0, 4.0, 2H), 2.97 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.76, 153.35, 151.06, 133.47, 127.77, 124.90, 123.10, 121.17, 120.28, 120.22, 110.57, 39.02. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 255.09505, found 255.09396.

Synthesis of compound PLB2. 2-Aminobenzenethiol (1.38 g, 11.0 mmol), 5dimethylaminothiene-2-formaldehyde (1.55 g, 10.0 mmol), and dimethyl sulfoxide (10 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. The reaction was stirred at 195 °C for 1 h. The reaction solution was cooled and recrystallized by adding nhexane (20 mL) to obtain PLB2 as a yellow solid. The yield was 47.31%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.92 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  162.81, 162.31, 153.92, 133.95, 130.60, 126.02, 123.90, 121.70, 121.09, 119.69, 102.34, 42.23. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 261.05147, found 261.04987.

Synthesis of intermediate 2a. 2-Aminobenzenethiol (1.38 g, 11.0 mmol), 5bromothiophen-2-formaldehyde (1.91 g, 10.0 mmol), and dimethyl sulfoxide (10 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. The reaction was stirred at 195 °C for 1 h. The reaction solution was cooled and recrystallized by adding n-hexane (20 mL) to obtain 2a as a white solid. The yield is 97.46%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.04–7.99 (m, 1H), 7.87–7.82 (m, 1H), 7.48 (ddd, J = 8.3, 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H).

Synthesis of intermediate 4.<sup>2</sup> 4-Dimethylaminobromobenzene (2 g, 10 mmol), potassium acetate (2.94 g, 30 mmol), biboronic acid pinacol ester (5.08 g, 20 mmol) and 1,1-[bis(diphenylphosphino)]ferrocene palladium II) dichloride (0.82 g, 0.1 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (50 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round-bottom flask. . The reaction was charged with nitrogen and stirred at 80°C for 6 hours. After the reaction was completed, the reaction was filtered while it was still hot. The reaction was washed with water (3×20 mL), saturated salt water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=5:1) to obtain intermediate 4. It was a white solid with an 83.13% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.74 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (s, 6H), 1.37 (s, 12H).

Synthesis of compound PLB3.<sup>3</sup> Intermediate 2a (0.86 g, 2.9 mmol), Intermediate 4 (0.65 g, 2.6 mmol),  $K_2CO_3$  (1.82 g, 13.2 mmol),  $Pd(PPh_3)_4$  (0.31 g, 0.26 mmol), toluene (21 mL) and water (7 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round-bottom flask. The reaction was charged with nitrogen and stirred at 125°C for 12 hours. After the reaction was completed, the reaction was filtered while it was still hot. The reaction was washed with water (3×20 mL), saturated salt water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=2:1) to obtain PLB3. It is a yellow

solid with a yield of 83.75%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.01 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.49–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  161.63, 153.81, 148.33, 136.81, 134.53, 129.78, 129.68, 126.98, 126.32, 124.87, 122.66, 121.51, 121.35, 119.33, 112.43, 40.40. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 337.08227, found 337.08157.

Synthesis of intermediate 2b. 2-Aminobenzenethiol (1.38 g, 11.0 mmol), 5methylthiophen-2-formaldehyde (1.26 g, 10.0 mmol), and dimethyl sulfoxide (10 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. The reaction was stirred at 195 °C for 1 h. The reaction solution was cooled and recrystallized by adding n-hexane (20 mL) to obtain 2b as a white solid. The yield is 98.28%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.00 (ddd, J = 8.2, 1.0, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (ddd, J = 8.0, 1.2, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (ddd, J= 8.3, 6.2, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (ddd, J = 8.3, 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.81–6.77 (m, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 3H).

Synthesis of intermediate 5.<sup>4</sup> Intermediate 2b (2.31 g, 10.0 mmol), NBS (2.67 g, 15.0 mmol), benzoyl peroxide (72.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), and carbon tetrachloride (20 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round-bottom flask. The reaction was stirred at 85 °C for 12 h. The reaction solution was cooled to room temperature and filtered through diatomaceous earth. Wash with dichloromethane and collect 200 mL of filtrate. Concentrate under reduced pressure to obtain a yellow solid without any purification. Transfer the above yellow solid to a 50 mL two-necked round bottom flask. Triethyl phosphite (10 mL) was added and stirred at 160 °C for 8 h. The excess triethyl phosphite was then removed by distillation under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1) to obtain Intermediate 5. It was a yellow oily liquid with a yield of 73.30%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.99 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.14–4.09 (m, 4H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 2.9 Hz, 6H).

Synthesis of compound PLB4.<sup>5</sup> A solution of 4-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde (298.0 mg, 2.0 mmol), Intermediate **5** (880.8 mg, 2.4 mmol), and THF (20 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. After stirring for 30 min under a nitrogen atmosphere, potassium tert-butoxide (672.0 mg, 6.0 mmol) was added. Stirring was continued for 12 h at room temperature. Filter the reaction solution. The filtrate was washed with water ( $3 \times 20$  mL), saturated salt water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=2:1) to obtain PLB4. It is a red solid with a yield of 58.94%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.01 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.43 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.04–6.96 (m, 3H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  163.67, 161.29, 153.81, 148.04, 134.62, 130.97, 130.65, 129.30, 127.91, 126.38, 125.45, 124.99, 122.77, 122.01, 121.37, 116.97, 112.66, 40.64. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 363.09842, found 363.09711.

Synthesis of compound PLB5. A solution of 5-dimethylaminothiene-2-

formaldehyde (310.0 mg, 2.0 mmol), Intermediate 5 (880.8 mg, 2.4 mmol), and THF (20 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. After stirring for 30 min under a nitrogen atmosphere, potassium tert-butoxide (672.0 mg, 6.0 mmol) was added. Stirring was continued for 12 h at room temperature. Filter the reaction solution. The filtrate was washed with water (3×20 mL), saturated salt water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO4 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=2:1) to obtain PLB5. It is a red solid with a yield of 61.30%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.94 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J= 11.3, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 3.9Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.34, 159.45, 154.66, 153.67, 148.10, 134.50, 133.18, 129.58, 129.49, 126.40, 125.17, 124.95, 124.74, 122.65, 121.36, 114.73, 102.25, 42.45. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for  $C_{19}H_{17}N_2S_3^+$  (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 369.05484, 369.05292. found

Synthesis of intermediate 7. 5-Bromothiophene-2-carboxaldehyde (1.9 g, 10.0 mmol), dimethyl sulfoxide (20 mL), and purified water (5 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. Then add dimethylamine aqueous solution (33%, 5.5 g, 40 mmol). Stir for 2 h at 80 °C. Subsequently, it was washed with water (3×20 mL), saturated saline (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether: ethyl acetate=2:1) to obtain Intermediate 7. It is a brown solid with a 32.26% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.49 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (s, 6H).

Synthesis of intermediate 9. 5-bromo-2-methylthiophene (1.77 g, 10.0 mmol), NBS (2.67 g, 15.0 mmol), benzoyl peroxide (72.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), and carbon tetrachloride (20 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round-bottom flask. The reaction was stirred at 85 °C for 12 h. The reaction solution was cooled to room temperature and filtered through diatomaceous earth. Wash with dichloromethane and collect 200 mL of filtrate. Concentrate under reduced pressure to obtain a yellow solid without any purification. Transfer the above yellow solid to a 50 mL two-necked round bottom flask. Triethyl phosphite (10 mL) was added and stirred at 160 °C for 8 h. The excess triethyl phosphite was then removed by distillation under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1) to obtain Intermediate 9. It was a yellow oily liquid with a yield of 51.24%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone)  $\delta$  7.02 (dd, *J* = 3.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 4.1, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.10–4.04 (m, 4H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 20.8, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 1.27 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 7H).

**Synthesis of intermediate 10.** A solution of 5-dimethylaminothiene-2formaldehyde (465.0 mg, 3.0 mmol), intermediates 7 (1.1 g, 3.6 mmol), and THF (20 mL) was added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. After stirring for 30 min under a nitrogen atmosphere, potassium tert-butoxide (1.0 g, 9.0 mmol) was added. Stirring was continued for 12 h at room temperature. Filter the reaction solution. The filtrate was washed with water (3×20 mL), saturated salt water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=3:1) to obtain intermediate **10**. It is a yellow solid with a yield of 38.52%. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.33 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 6.1 Hz, 2H), 6.78–6.66 (m, 4H), 2.98 (s, 6H).

Synthesis of intermediate 11. Intermediate 8 (616.0 mg, 2.0 mmol) and anhydrous THF (10 mL) were added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. Stir and cool down to -78 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was continued for 2 h. Anhydrous DMF (0.3 mL) was added to the reaction solution and warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. Subsequently, it was washed with water (3×20 mL), saturated saline (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=2:1) to obtain Intermediate 11. It is a yellow solid with a 47.16% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.81 (s, 1H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.40 (s, 2H), 7.18–6.88 (m, 3H), 6.69 (s, 2H), 3.00 (s, 6H).

Synthesis of compound PLB6. A solution of intermediate 5 (440.4 mg, 1.2 mmol), intermediate 9 (257.0 mg, 1 mmol), and THF (20 mL) was added to a 100 mL two-necked round bottom flask. After stirring for 30 min under a nitrogen atmosphere, potassium tert-butoxide (336.0 mg, 3.0 mmol) was added. Stirring was continued for 12 h at room temperature. Filter the reaction solution. The filtrate was washed with water ( $3 \times 20$  mL), saturated salt water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether:dichloromethane=2:1) to obtain PLB6. It is a red solid with a yield of 81.47%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.02 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.92 (m, 3H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (s, 6H). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 471.10179, found 471.09946.

**Spectroscopy.** UV-vis absorption spectra were recorded on a TU-1900 UV-vis spectrophotometer. Photoluminescence was spectra recorded on a Hitachi-F4600 fluorescence Spectrophotometer. Fluorescence quantum yields were recorded on an Edinburgh FS-5 fluorescence Spectrophotometer and referenced by integrating spheres. Fluorescence lifetimes were recorded on an Edinburgh FS-5 fluorescence Spectrophotometer and the light emitter was an Edinburgh EPLED-360.

**Electrochemical.** Cyclic voltammetric curves were recorded on a CHI 660E electrochemical workstation. The cyclic voltammograms of **PLB1~PLB6** ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$  mol·L<sup>-1</sup>) were measured in THF at 298 K, <sup>n</sup>Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub> (0.1 mol·L<sup>-1</sup>), scan rate=100 mV·s<sup>-1</sup>. The reference electrode is Ag/AgCl, the working electrode is glassy carbon, the auxiliary electrode is platinum wire, reference is ferrocenium/ferrocene (Fc<sup>+</sup>/Fc)

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Single crystal and XRD characterization. The single crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of the solution samples (Ethanol / Dichloromethane = 2:1, v/v). The X-ray data were collected using a Bruker Smart APEX II area-detector diffractometer with graphite-monochromator Mo K $\alpha$  radiation.<sup>7</sup> CCDC 2232818 (for PLB1), 2232819 (for PLB2), 2232820 (for PLB3), and 2232821 (for PLB4).

**Fabrication of LEDs Devices.** The solid material is ground and the fine powder is sieved out using a 200-mesh sieve. Then mix the powder with A/B glue (polydimethylsiloxane, purchased from Guangdong Evergrande New Material Technology Co., Ltd., the brand is kafuter, the product model is K-8810W.) and stir well. Wait for 5 min in a vacuum atmosphere to remove the gas. Apply the mixed glue to the surface of the LED chip and dry naturally. The mixed glue is deposited on commercial LEDs and dried naturally. The commercial LEDs used were all fully encapsulated hair removal chips (purchased from Hangzhou Yongdian Lighting Co., Ltd.) with 3 W power, 3.2-3.4 V voltage, and 700 mA current. The loading ratio of these compounds in the gel solution is A:B:C=100:10:x/mg (C: our compounds). The value of x for each device is shown in **Fig. S5**. Spectral parameters of LEDs recorded on Keithley 2400 source measure unit.<sup>8,9</sup>



### Additional characterization and analysis

Fig. S1. Images of the six compounds in  $CH_2Cl_2$  solution (1×10<sup>-5</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>) and solid powder state under natural lighting.



**Fig. S2.** (a-f) The UV-vis absorbance spectra of **PLB1~PLB6** in different polar solvents (1×10<sup>-5</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>).





Fig. S3. (a-f) Photoluminescence spectra of PLB1~PLB6 in different polar solvents ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>) and luminescence images of the six compounds under the excitation of ultraviolet light at 365 nm.

Table S1. Fluorescence quantum yield of PLB1~PLB6 in different polar solvents								
	Hexane	Toluene	$CH_2Cl_2$	THF	ACN			
PLB1	0.499	0.984	0.965	0.698	0.631			
PLB2	0.960	0.980	0.990	0.940	0.910			
PLB3	0.980	0.996	0.998	0.997	0.997			
PLB4	0.588	0.542	0.635	0.535	0.583			
PLB5	0.023	0.045	0.114	0.097	0.140			
PLB6	0.582	0.503	0.280	0.283	0.114			

Table S2. Electrochemical properties of PLB1~PLB6.

Entry	$E_{\text{onset}}^{\text{ox}}(\mathbf{V})^{a}$	$E_{\text{onset}}^{\text{red}}(\mathbf{V})^{a}$	HOMO ( $eV$ ) <sup>b</sup>	LUMO (eV) <sup>c</sup>	$E_{\rm gap} ({\rm eV})^{d}$

PLB1	1.70	-1.59	-6.10	-2.94	3.16
PLB2	1.43	-1.41	-5.83	-2.65	2.93
PLB3	1.20	-1.38	-5.60	-2.94	2.66
PLB4	1.15	-1.36	-5.55	-3.07	2.48
PLB5	0.68	-1.33	-5.08	-2.80	2.28
PLB6	-0.21	-1.27	-4.19	-1.94	2.25

<sup>a</sup> Oxidation and reduction potentials measured by cyclic voltammetry.

<sup>b</sup>  $E_{\text{HOMO}} = -(E_{\text{onset}}^{\text{ox}} + 4.4) \text{ eV}.$ 

$$^{\circ}E_{\text{LUMO}} = E_{\text{HOMO}} + \Delta E_{\text{gap}}$$

<sup>d</sup>  $\Delta E_{gap} = 1240 / \lambda_{edge}$ , estimated from the UV-vis absorption spectra.



Fig. S4 Crystal structure of PLB1~PLB4.

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	PLB1	PLB2	PLB3	PLB4
formula	$C_{15}H_{14}N_2S$	$C_{13}H_{12}N_2S_2$	$C_{19}H_{17}N_2S_2$	$C_{21}H_{18}N_{2}S_{2} \\$
Formula weight	254.34	260.37	337.46	362.49
Crystal system	orthorhombic	orthorhombic	orthorhombic	orthorhombic
Space group	Pbca	$Pna2_1$	$Pna2_1$	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$
<i>a</i> , Å	10.9301(7)	19.7351(8)	25.7622(18)	5.95260(10)
b, Å	7.7862(4)	10.4230(4)	10.7438(7)	7.5011(2)
<i>c</i> , Å	29.5973(15)	5.9647(2)	5.8585(4)	40.2359(9)
a, deg	90	90	90	90
$\beta$ , deg	90	90	90	90
γ, deg	90	90	90	90
<i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup>	2518.8(2)	1226.93(8)	1621.54(19)	1796.58(7)
Z	8	4	4	4

Table S3. Crystallographic data of PLB1~PLB4

$ ho_{ m calcd}, { m g~cm^{-3}}$	1.341	1.410	1.382	1.340			
T / K	296(2)	193.00	193.00	193.00			
$\mu$ , mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.239	3.737	2.961	2.713			
heta	5.506-50.01	8.962-136.156	6.862-136.548	8.79-136.46			
F (000)	1072.0	544.0	708.0	760.0			
	$-13 \leq h \leq 10$	$-22 \leq h \leq 23$	$-24 \le h \le 31$	$-4 \leq h \leq 7$			
Index ranges	$-9 \leq k \leq 8$	$-12 \leq k \leq 12$	$-12 \leq k \leq 8$	$-9 \leq k \leq 9$			
	$-35 \leq l \leq 35$	$-6 \leq l \leq 7$	$-7 \leq l \leq 6$	$-48 \leqslant l \leqslant 48$			
Data / restraints / parameters	2204/0/165	2086/1/156	2662/1/211	3198/0/228			
GOF $(F^2)$	1.015	1.066	1.021	1.051			
$R_1^a$ , $wR_2^b$	0.0345 0.1013	0.0313.0.0825	0.0632 0.1502	0 0349 0 0824			
(I>2σ(I))	0.05 15, 0.1015	0.0515, 0.0025	0.0052, 0.1502	0.0519, 0.0021			
$R_1^a$ , $wR_2^b$	0.0400, 0.1083	0.0331, 0.0839	0.1004, 0.1763	0.0398, 0.0849			

 $R_{l}^{a} = \Sigma ||F_{o}| - |F_{c}|| / \Sigma F_{o}|, \quad wR_{2}^{b} = [\Sigma w (F_{o}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2} / \Sigma w (F_{o}^{2})^{2}]^{1}$ 



Fig. S5. Turn on and turn off photos of the LEDs prepared by PLB1、 PLB3、 PLB4 and PLB6 on different doping amounts and different excitation chips. The content is the doping mass (mg) of each compound in 110 mg (100 mg A glue +10 mg B glue) AB glue.



Fig. S6. (a) Spectra of devices made from PLB1 and UV-365 chips. (b) Spectra of devices made from PLB3 and UV-395 chips. (c) Spectra of devices made from PLB3 and Blue-450 chips. (d) Spectra of devices made from PLB4 and Blue-425 chips. (e) Spectra of devices made from PLB4 and Blue-450 chips. (f) Spectra of devices made from PLB6 and Blue-450 chips.

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Entry	Cpd.	Content (%)	Chips	wavelength (nm)	CIE	CCT (K)	CRI	Efficiency (lm/W)
1	PLB1	5	UV365	429	(0.25, 0.24)	27431	42	79.47
2	PLB1	1	UV365	412	(0.18, 0.18)	6596	40	52.42
3	PLB1	0.5	UV365	384	(0.19, 0.15)	7325	51	31.73
4	PLB3	5	UV395	552	(0.49, 0.51)	3491	27	156.32
5	PLB3	1	UV395	533	(0.38, 0.58)	4678	22	165.55
6	PLB3	0.5	UV395	533	(0.37, 0.59)	4902	18	172.88
7	PLB3	0.1	UV395	525	(0.36, 0.58)	5081	29	162.55

Table S4. The spectral parameters of LEDs device.

8	PLB3	0.01	UV395	396	(0.29, 0.50)	6569	47	99.39
9	PLB3	5	Blue450	561	(0.48, 0.51)	3108	17	158.31
10	PLB3	1	Blue450	538	(0.33, 0.56)	5514	31	161.28
11	PLB3	0.5	Blue450	513	(0.26, 0.35)	9595	64	106.48
12	PLB3	0.1	Blue450	459	(0.18, 0.20)	6614	49	74.63
13	PLB3	0.01	Blue450	458	(0.16, 0.15)	7821	25	155.92
14	PLB4	5	Blue425	609	(0.60, 0.40)	1719	-	90.14
15	PLB4	1	Blue425	605	(0.55, 0.44)	1930	-	110.65
16	PLB4	0.5	Blue425	580	(0.51, 0.48)	2551	1	135.27
17	PLB4	0.1	Blue425	429	(0.37, 0.36)	4290	60	115.81
18	PLB4	0.01	Blue425	426	(0.19, 0.06)	1731	-	18.70
19	PLB4	5	Blue450	613	(0.61, 0.39)	1751	-	82.42
20	PLB4	1	Blue450	605	(0.54, 0.43)	2001	-	104.98
21	PLB4	0.5	Blue450	581	(0.51, 0.48)	2554	-	135.74
22	PLB4	0.1	Blue450	456	(0.28, 0.27)	11580	80	95.31
23	PLB4	0.01	Blue450	452	(0.17, 0.11)	2659	-	44.04
24	PLB6	5	Blue450	678	(0.69, 0.27)	7855	-	7.65
25	PLB6	0.5	Blue450	450	(0.26, 0.10)	2020	-	81.83
26	PLB6	0.1	Blue450	450	(0.22, 0.10)	1733	-	39.74
27	PLB6	0.01	Blue450	452	(0.15, 0.05)	1766	-	23.69
28	-	-	Blue425	426	(0.17, 0.01)	1858	-	5.36
29	-	-	Blue450	449	(0.14, 0.05)	1760	-	20.74
30	-	-	Green	523	(0.23, 0.72)	6948	-	206.21
31	-	-	Yellow	594	(0.54, 0.45)	2080	-	128.97
32	-	-	Red	622	(0.68, 0.32)	4207	-	98.28
33	-	-	White1	443	(0.28, 0.27)	8397	78	109.52
34	-	-	White2	447	(0.37, 0.37)	4160	63	122.79
35	-	-	UV395	398	(0.19, 0.07)	-	-	3.03
36	-	-	UV365	369	-	-	-	-



Fig. S7. The chromaticity coordinate chart of LED Devices.



Fig. S8. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PLB1 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig. S10. Mass spectrum of PLB1



Fig. S12. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of PLB2 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig. S13. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PLB3 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)













Fig. S19. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PLB5 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig. S20. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of PLB5 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)















Fig. S25. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of intermediate 2b (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig. S29. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of intermediate 9 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



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