

Supporting Information

for

Theoretical comparison of ethylene-, disilane- and ethynylene-bonded aromatic compounds from the viewpoint of conjugation formation

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1. HOMO and LUMO energy levels of benzene π , ethane C–C σ , disilane Si–Si σ , and ethylene C=C π bonds

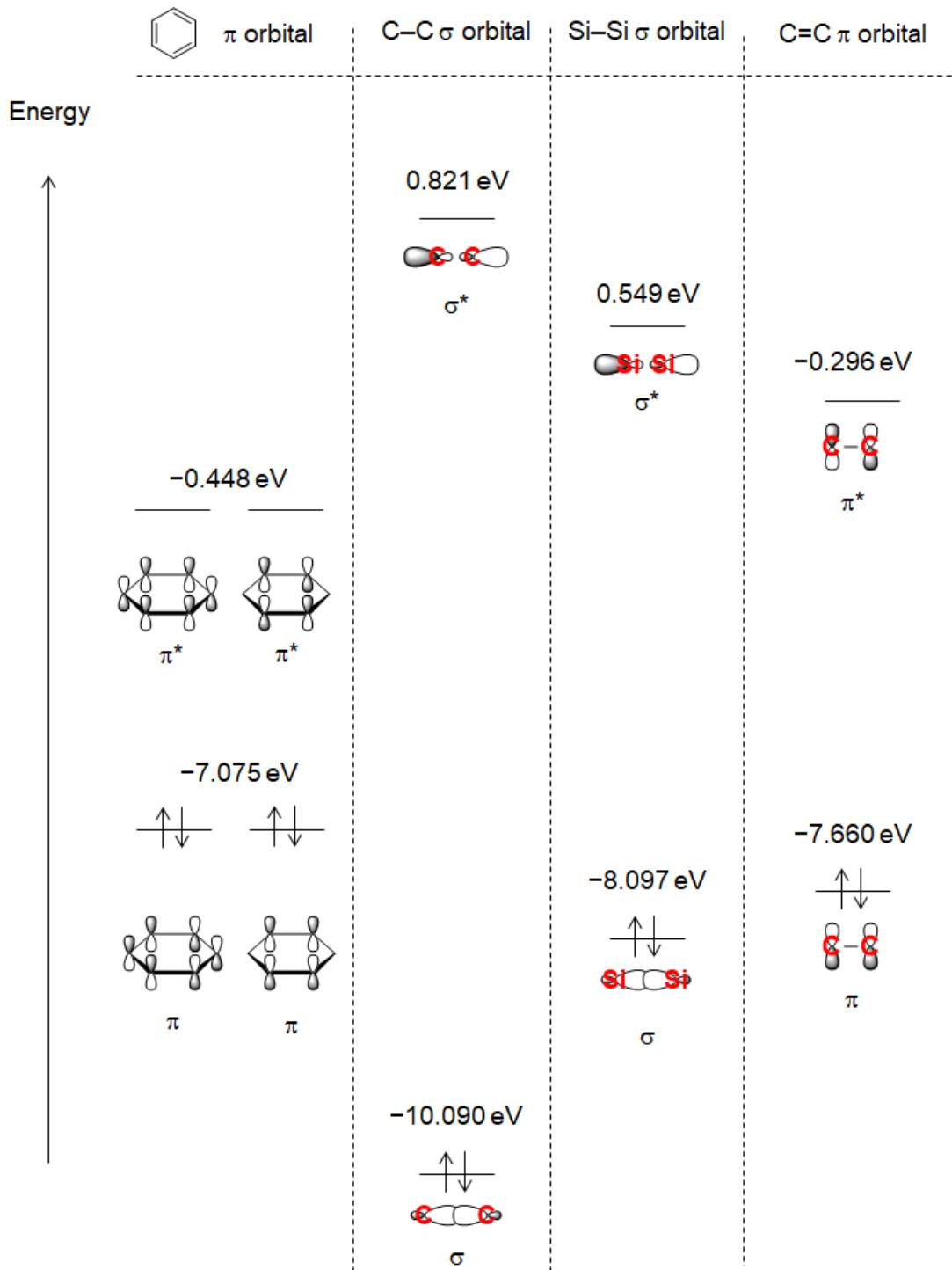


Fig. S1 HOMO and LUMO energy levels of benzene π and π^* , ethane C–C σ and σ^* , disilane Si–Si σ and σ^* , and ethylene C=C π and π^* orbitals.

2. Conformational isomers

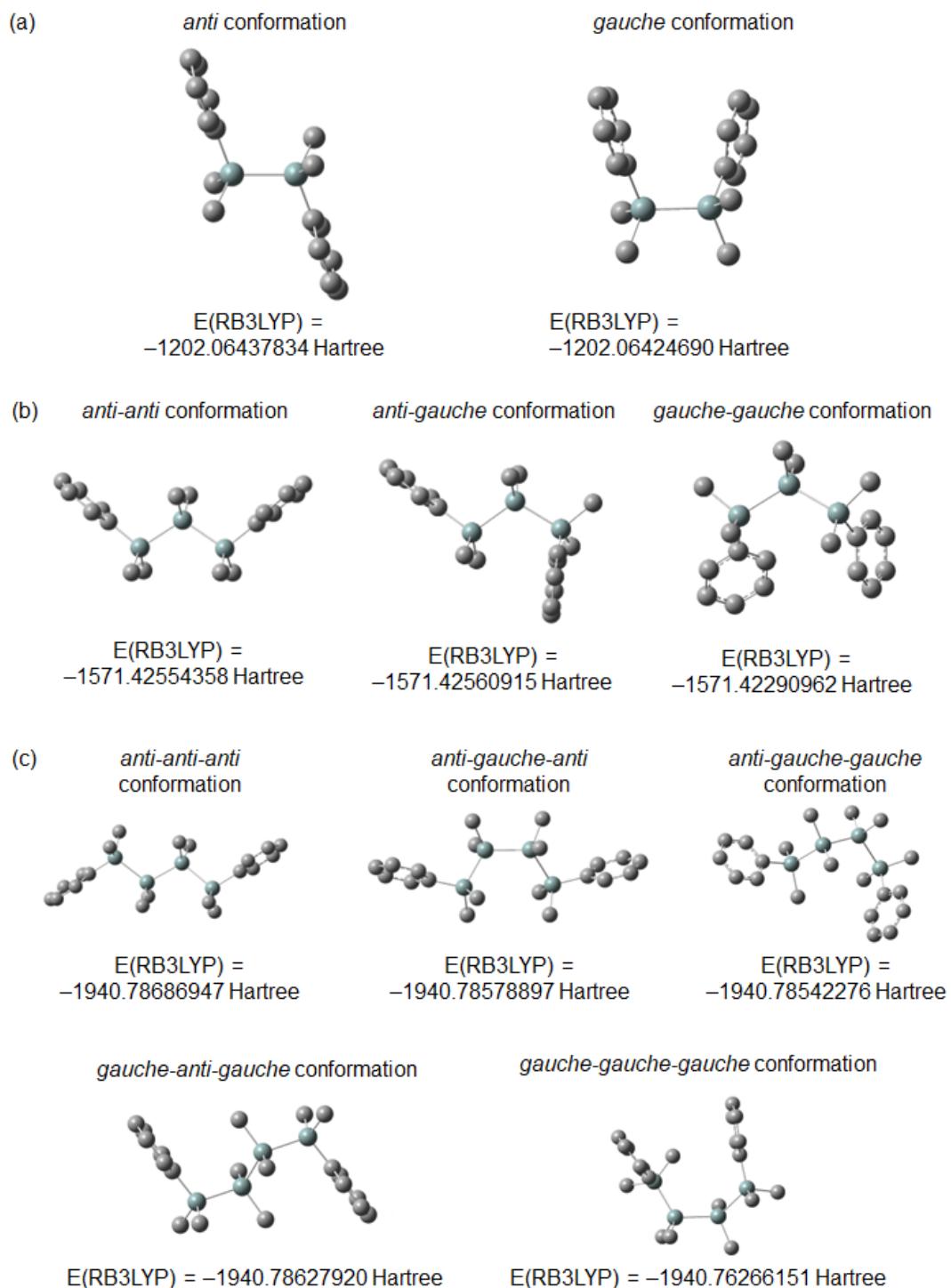


Fig. S2 Representative conformational isomers and energies of (a) **2**, (b) **11**, and (c) **8**. Hydrogens were omitted for clarity.

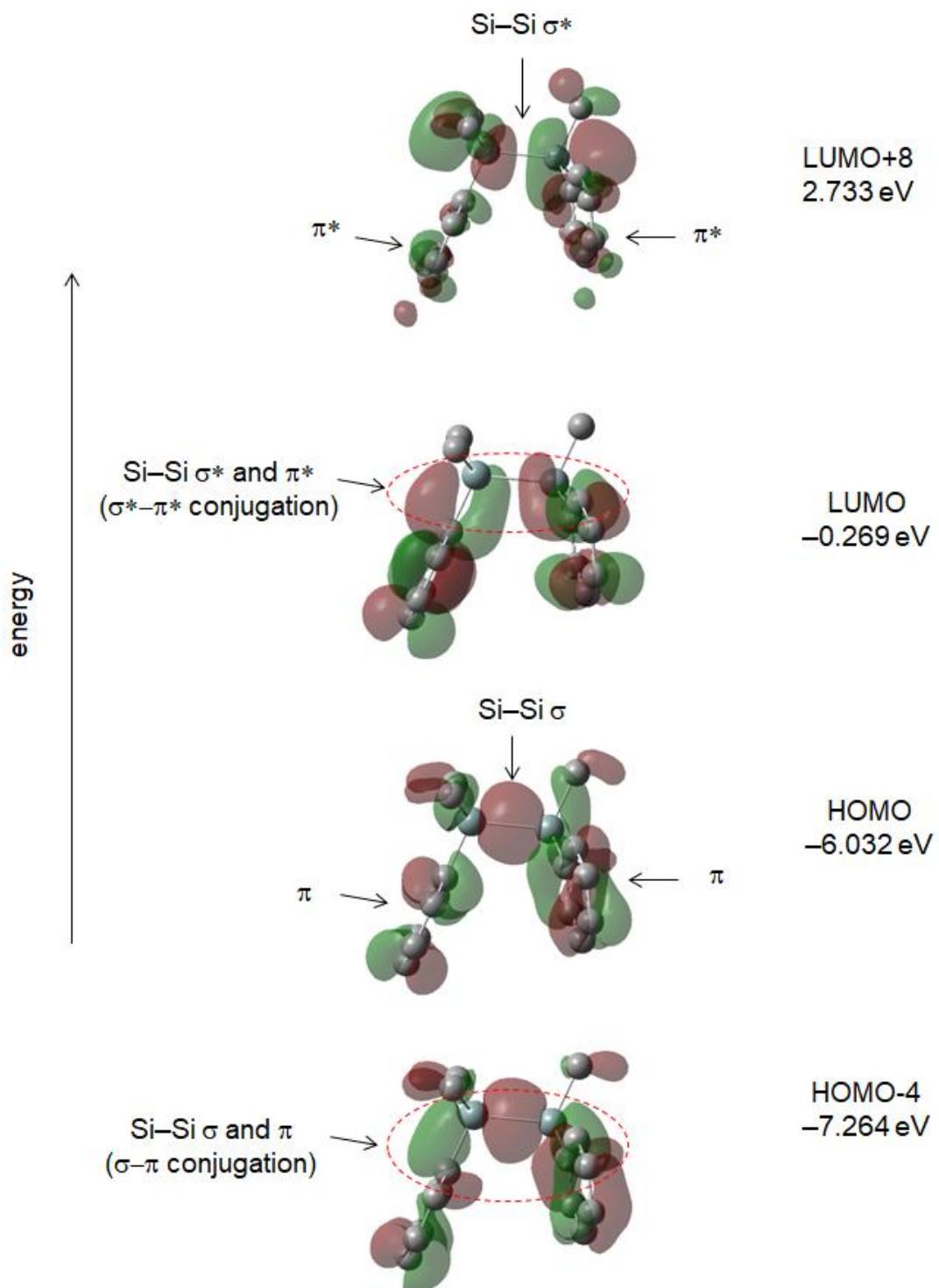


Fig. S3 LUMO+8, LUMO, HOMO, and HOMO-4 and energy levels of *gauche-2*. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. The isovalue are set to 0.03.

3. Comparison of calculation methods

Table S1. DFT calculations of **2** in various basis functions.

B3LYP/	6-31G	6-31G(d)	6-31G(d,p)
LUMO (eV)	-0.336	-0.426	-0.440
HOMO (eV)	-6.076	-6.020	-6.035

4. TD-DFT calculation of 1-11

Table S1.	TD-DFT calculations of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of 1.				
Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	5.0746 eV	244.33 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0006
<S**2>	=0.000				
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.18037			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	-0.39806			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	0.18189			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	-0.51040			
Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	5.3108 eV	233.45 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0005
<S**2>	=0.000				
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.11927			
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	-0.20650			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.35954			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+3	-0.25612			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	0.11215			
	HOMO -> LUMO+2	-0.47606			
Excited State	3:	Singlet-A	5.4437 eV	227.76 nm	<i>f</i> =0.3103
<S**2>	=0.000				
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+1	0.15261			
	HOMO -> LUMO	-0.68202			
Excited State	4:	Singlet-A	5.8293 eV	212.69 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0095
<S**2>	=0.000				
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO	0.23397			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+1	-0.12035			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.64059			
Excited State	5:	Singlet-A	5.8624 eV	211.49 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0072
<S**2>	=0.000				
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	-0.44746			
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	-0.13960			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.31392			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	-0.41089			

Table S2. TD-DFT calculations of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of 2.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	5.0579 eV	245.13 nm	<i>f</i>=0.5184
<S**2>	=0.000				
	HOMO -> LUMO	0.69609			

Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	5.1819 eV	239.26 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0003
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	0.18651			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.36206			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+1	-0.17964			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	-0.12907			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.38119			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.36796			
Excited State	3:	Singlet-A	5.2006 eV	238.40 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0003
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.12900			
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+3	-0.15338			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+1	0.18400			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+3	0.13783			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	-0.38419			
	HOMO -> LUMO+2	0.50355			
Excited State	4:	Singlet-A	5.4897 eV	225.85 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0000
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-4 -> LUMO+1	-0.11063			
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO	-0.16402			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.10819			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.53695			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.37437			
Excited State	5:	Singlet-A	5.7426 eV	215.90 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0113
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-4 -> LUMO+1	0.11385			
	HOMO-4 -> LUMO+3	-0.17667			
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	0.30510			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.37299			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	-0.17285			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.41592			

Table S3. TD-DFT calculations of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **3**.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	4.0044 eV	309.62 nm	<i>f</i> =0.9830
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO -> LUMO	0.70583			

Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	4.5976 eV	269.67 nm	$f=0.0068$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$					
		HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.52589		
		HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.45631		
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$					
		HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.52788		
		HOMO -> LUMO+2	-0.45303		
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$					
		HOMO-3 -> LUMO	0.54739		
		HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.41891		
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$					
		HOMO-3 -> LUMO	0.12390		
		HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.44406		
		HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	-0.10468		
		HOMO -> LUMO+2	0.50778		

Table S4. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **4**.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	5.2094 eV	238.00 nm	$f=0.0004$	$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
		HOMO-5 ->LUMO+4	-0.12116			
		HOMO-4 ->LUMO	-0.10190			
		HOMO-4 ->LUMO+5	-0.12798			
		HOMO-2 ->LUMO	-0.35639			
		HOMO-2 ->LUMO+5	-0.16738			
		HOMO ->LUMO+1	0.46810			
		HOMO ->LUMO+4	-0.25992			
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$						
Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	5.3470 eV	231.88 nm	$f=0.0000$	$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
		HOMO-5 ->LUMO+3	-0.16865			
		HOMO-4 ->LUMO+2	-0.25579			
		HOMO-3 ->LUMO	-0.28695			
		HOMO-3 ->LUMO+5	0.16485			
		HOMO-2 ->LUMO+2	0.15768			
		HOMO-1 ->LUMO+1	-0.25477			

HOMO-1 ->LUMO+4	-0.18934
HOMO ->LUMO+3	0.41275
Excited State 3: Singlet-A	5.3599 eV 231.32 nm $f=0.0014$ $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
HOMO-5 ->LUMO+1	-0.17213
HOMO-4 ->LUMO	0.29818
HOMO-4 ->LUMO+5	-0.10480
HOMO-3 ->LUMO+2	0.29306
HOMO-2 ->LUMO+5	0.15036
HOMO-1 ->LUMO+3	-0.30608
HOMO ->LUMO+1	0.18729
HOMO ->LUMO+4	0.35673
Excited State 4: Singlet-A	5.4116 eV 229.11 nm $f=0.6492$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO ->LUMO	0.69166
Excited State 5: Singlet-A	5.6881 eV 217.97 nm $f=0.0000$ $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
HOMO ->LUMO+2	0.68861

Table S5. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **5**.

Excited State 1: Singlet-A	4.5573 eV 272.06 nm $f=1.0884$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO -> LUMO	0.69304
Excited State 2: Singlet-A	4.8411 eV 256.11 nm $f=0.0010$ $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.37032
HOMO-2 -> LUMO+2	-0.12589
HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.47651
HOMO -> LUMO+5	-0.29824
Excited State 3: Singlet-A	4.9724 eV 249.34 nm $f=0.0001$ $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	-0.24292
HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.63957
Excited State 4: Singlet-A	5.0149 eV 247.23 nm $f=0.0000$ $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
HOMO-5 -> LUMO+4	-0.11836
HOMO-4 -> LUMO+1	0.23547
HOMO-3 -> LUMO	0.22823
HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	-0.15873
HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	0.20060
HOMO-1 -> LUMO+5	0.22603

HOMO -> LUMO+4	0.49842
Excited State 5: Singlet-A	5.0161 eV 247.17 nm $f=0.0001$ $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$
HOMO-4 -> LUMO	-0.21851
HOMO-4 -> LUMO+2	0.15911
HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	-0.23675
HOMO-1 -> LUMO+4	0.29997
HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.28219
HOMO -> LUMO+5	0.40743

Table S6. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **6**.

Excited State 1:	Singlet-A	3.2081 eV 386.47 nm $f=1.8315$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$		
HOMO -> LUMO	0.70752	
Excited State 2: Singlet-A	3.8925 eV 318.52 nm $f=0.0000$	
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$		
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.53361	
HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.45816	
Excited State 3: Singlet-A	4.2690 eV 290.43 nm $f=0.0045$	
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$		
HOMO-4 -> LUMO	0.52000	
HOMO -> LUMO+2	-0.42129	
HOMO -> LUMO+9	0.20381	
Excited State 4: Singlet-A	4.3959 eV 282.04 nm $f=0.0000$	
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$		
HOMO-3 -> LUMO	-0.35502	
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	-0.31987	
HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.36557	
HOMO -> LUMO+4	-0.33067	
Excited State 5: Singlet-A	4.4217 eV 280.40 nm $f=0.0012$	
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$		
HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.13784	
HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.55025	
HOMO-1 -> LUMO+4	-0.14463	
HOMO -> LUMO+2	0.17122	
HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.34706	

Table S7. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **7**.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	5.3838 eV	230.29 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0002
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+3	0.30535			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.37449			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+2	0.32648			
	89 -> 91	0.38652			
Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	5.3861 eV	230.19 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0003
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO	0.36577			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+3	-0.30005			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+1	-0.33239			
	HOMO -> LUMO+2	-0.36142			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.12010			
Excited State	3:	Singlet-A	5.9405 eV	208.71 nm	<i>f</i> =0.1684
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	0.17373			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+1	0.19487			
	HOMO -> LUMO	0.64566			
Excited State	4:	Singlet-A	6.0567 eV	204.71 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0011
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.27773			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+2	0.27150			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.50174			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.26454			
Excited State	5:	Singlet-A	6.1329 eV	202.16 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0000
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.39514			
	HOMO -> LUMO+2	-0.23414			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.52526			

Table 8. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **8**.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	4.7277 eV	262.25 nm	<i>f</i> =0.8925
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO ->LUMO	0.69857			

Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	5.0910 eV	243.54 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0001
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-3 ->LUMO	0.26959			
	HOMO-2 ->LUMO+1	0.18745			
	HOMO-1 ->LUMO+3	0.19223			
	HOMO ->LUMO+1	0.16850			
	HOMO ->LUMO+2	0.55613			
Excited State	3:	Singlet-A	5.1132 eV	242.48 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0009
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-3 ->LUMO+1	0.20530			
	HOMO-2 ->LUMO	0.29861			
	HOMO-1 ->LUMO+2	0.20877			
	HOMO ->LUMO+3	0.54815			
Excited State	4:	Singlet-A	5.1958 eV	238.63 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0007
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO ->LUMO+1	0.66837			
	HOMO ->LUMO+2	-0.13613			
Excited State	5:	Singlet-A	5.4673 eV	226.78 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0036
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-6 ->LUMO+3	-0.10193			
	HOMO-5 ->LUMO+2	0.10861			
	HOMO-4 ->LUMO+2	0.20219			
	HOMO-3 ->LUMO	0.34268			
	HOMO-2 ->LUMO+1	0.18464			
	HOMO-1 ->LUMO+3	0.23854			
	HOMO ->LUMO+2	-0.32515			
	HOMO ->LUMO+4	-0.33101			

Table 9. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **9**.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	3.1436 eV	394.40 nm	<i>f</i> =1.5734
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO -> LUMO	0.71417			
Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	4.0675 eV	304.81 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0000
<S**2>=0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO	-0.13886			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	-0.47984			

HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.49469
Excited State 3:	Singlet-A 4.1884 eV 296.02 nm $f=0.0018$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.54500
HOMO -> LUMO+2	-0.43595
Excited State 4:	Singlet-A 4.2133 eV 294.27 nm $f=0.0000$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO-3 -> LUMO	-0.52587
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.17560
HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.42566
Excited State 5:	Singlet-A 4.6289 eV 267.85 nm $f=0.0000$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO-3 -> LUMO	0.38635
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.27545
HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.36084
HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.36468

Table 9. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **10**.

Excited State 1:	Singlet-A 5.3358 eV 232.36 nm $f=0.0008$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO-3 -> LUMO	-0.18713
HOMO-3 -> LUMO+3	-0.19415
HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.28214
HOMO-2 -> LUMO+3	-0.14434
HOMO-1 -> LUMO+1	0.38174
HOMO -> LUMO+2	0.41017
Excited State 2:	Singlet-A 5.3504 eV 231.73 nm $f=0.0018$
$\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$	
HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	0.27811
HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.13005
HOMO-2 -> LUMO+1	0.32077
HOMO-2 -> LUMO+2	0.14063
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.34658
HOMO -> LUMO	-0.21219
HOMO -> LUMO+3	-0.29730

Excited State	3:	Singlet-A	5.7076 eV	217.23 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0265
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO	-0.28129			
	HOMO -> LUMO	-0.21321			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.59002			
Excited State	4:	Singlet-A	5.7374 eV	216.10 nm	<i>f</i>=0.0156
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	-0.30413			
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	0.11825			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.16564			
	HOMO -> LUMO	0.54813			
	HOMO -> LUMO+1	0.20797			
Excited State	5:	Singlet-A	5.8663 eV	211.35 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0007
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.12122			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.43663			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+1	-0.11995			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO	0.38654			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+1	-0.34574			

Table 10. TD-DFT calculation of vertical transitions at the ground state geometry of **11**.

Excited State	1:	Singlet-A	4.8927 eV	253.40 nm	<i>f</i> =0.6601
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO -> LUMO	0.69813			
Excited State	2:	Singlet-A	5.1305 eV	241.66 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0000
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	-0.20898			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO	0.32900			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	-0.18664			
	HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.55198			
Excited State	3:	Singlet-A	5.1738 eV	239.64 nm	<i>f</i> =0.0001
<i><S**2></i> =0.000					
	HOMO-3 -> LUMO+1	0.36720			
	HOMO-2 -> LUMO+2	-0.23153			
	HOMO-1 -> LUMO+3	-0.22257			
	HOMO -> LUMO+4	0.49905			

Excited State 4: Singlet-A 5.3878 eV 230.12 nm $f=0.0147$
 $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$

HOMO-4 -> LUMO+2	0.10314
HOMO-1 -> LUMO	-0.15067
HOMO -> LUMO+2	0.67656

 Excited State 5: Singlet-A 5.5761 eV 222.35 nm $f=0.0000$
 $\langle S^{**2} \rangle = 0.000$

HOMO-5 -> LUMO+4	0.10180
HOMO-4 -> LUMO+3	0.23954
HOMO-3 -> LUMO+2	0.14188
HOMO-2 -> LUMO	-0.38144
HOMO-1 -> LUMO+4	0.26734
HOMO -> LUMO+3	0.39758
HOMO -> LUMO+5	-0.18701

5. Considerations on conformational isomers of **1** and **1'**

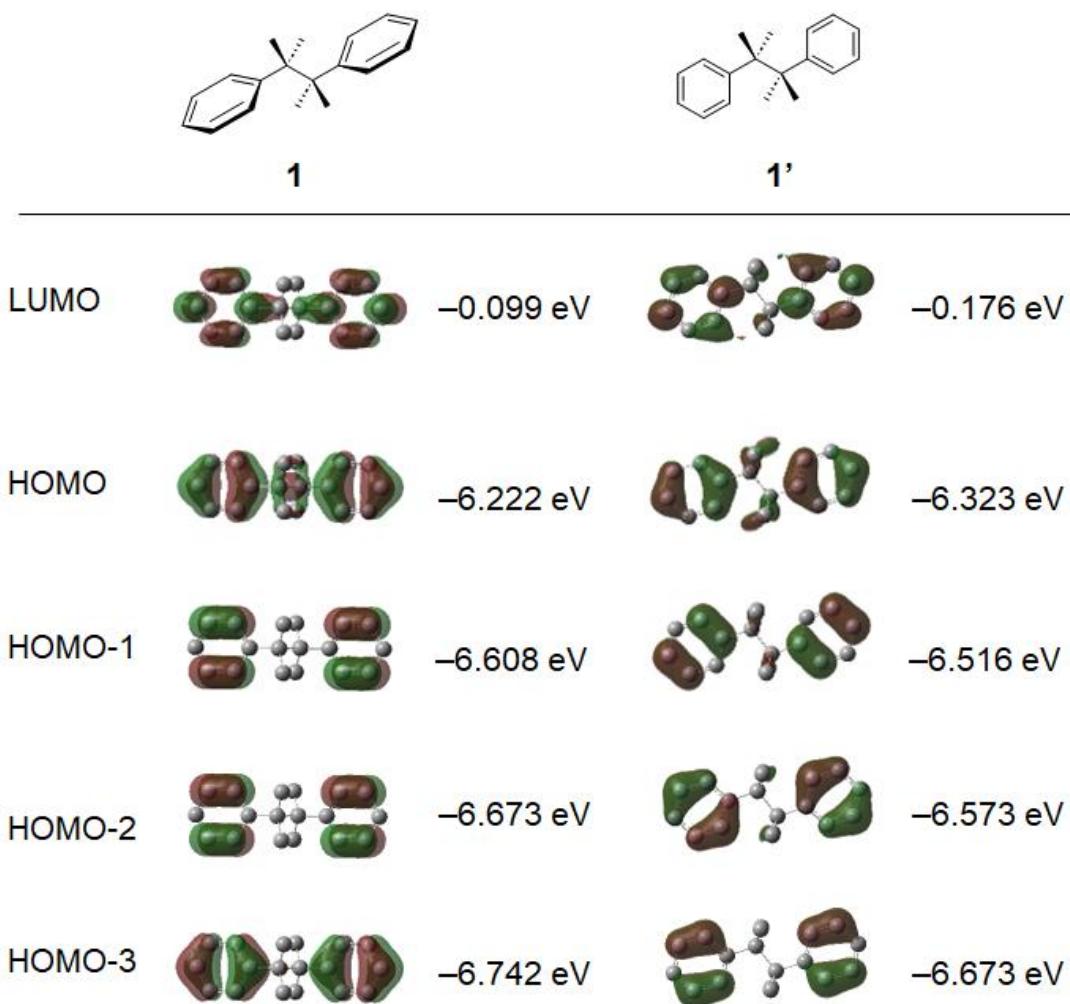
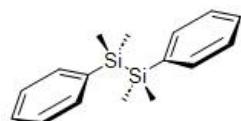
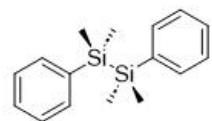


Fig. S4 Comparison of molecular orbitals of **1** and **1'**. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. The isovalue is set to 0.03.



2

E(RB3LYP) =
-1202.03951922 Hartree



2'

E(RB3LYP) =
-1202.03306681 Hartree

LUMO



-0.449 eV



-0.281 eV

HOMO

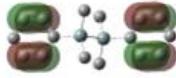


-6.018 eV



-6.625 eV

HOMO-1

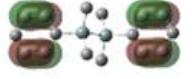


-6.683 eV



-6.628 eV

HOMO-2



-6.689 eV

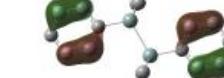


-6.693 eV

HOMO-3



-6.756 eV



-6.720 eV

HOMO-4



-7.265 eV



-6.927 eV

Fig. S5 Comparison of molecular orbitals of **2** and **2'**. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. The isovalues are set to 0.03.