

Electronic Supplementary Information

Tuning of fluorescence properties of aminoterpyridine fluorophores by *N*-substitution

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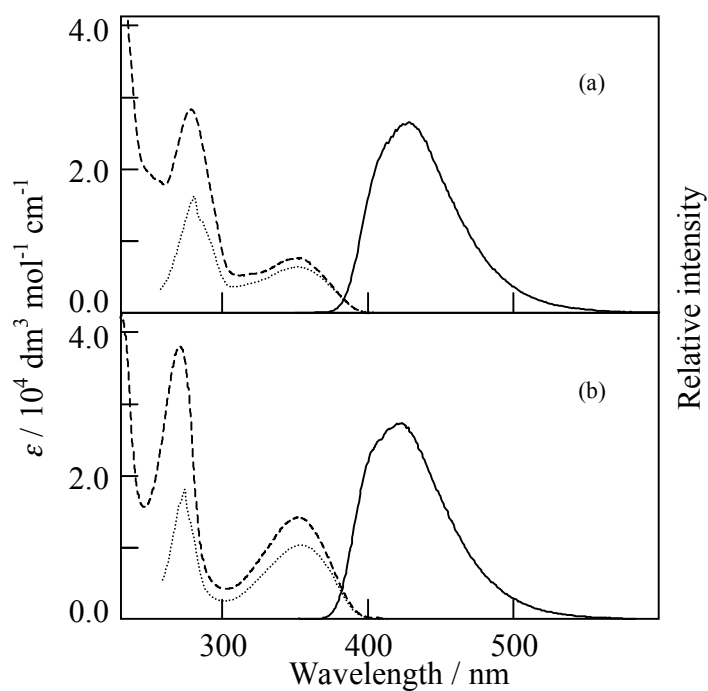


Fig. S1 Absorption (broken line), fluorescence (solid line) and excitation (dotted line) spectra of **3** (a) and **8** (b) in dichloromethane.

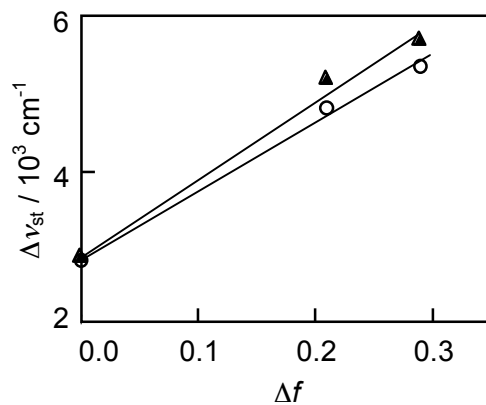


Figure S2. Lippert-Mataga plot (see main text) of **3** (filled triangle) and **8** (open circle) in cyclohexene ($\Delta f = 0.00$), dichloromethane (0.21) and ethanol (0.29). Equations expressing the collinear approximation were as follows.

$$\mathbf{3}: \Delta\nu_{\text{st}} = 1.0 \times 10^4 \Delta f + 2.9 \times 10^3 \quad (R = 0.990)$$

$$\mathbf{8}: \Delta\nu_{\text{st}} = 8.9 \times 10^3 \Delta f + 2.9 \times 10^3 \quad (R = 0.996)$$

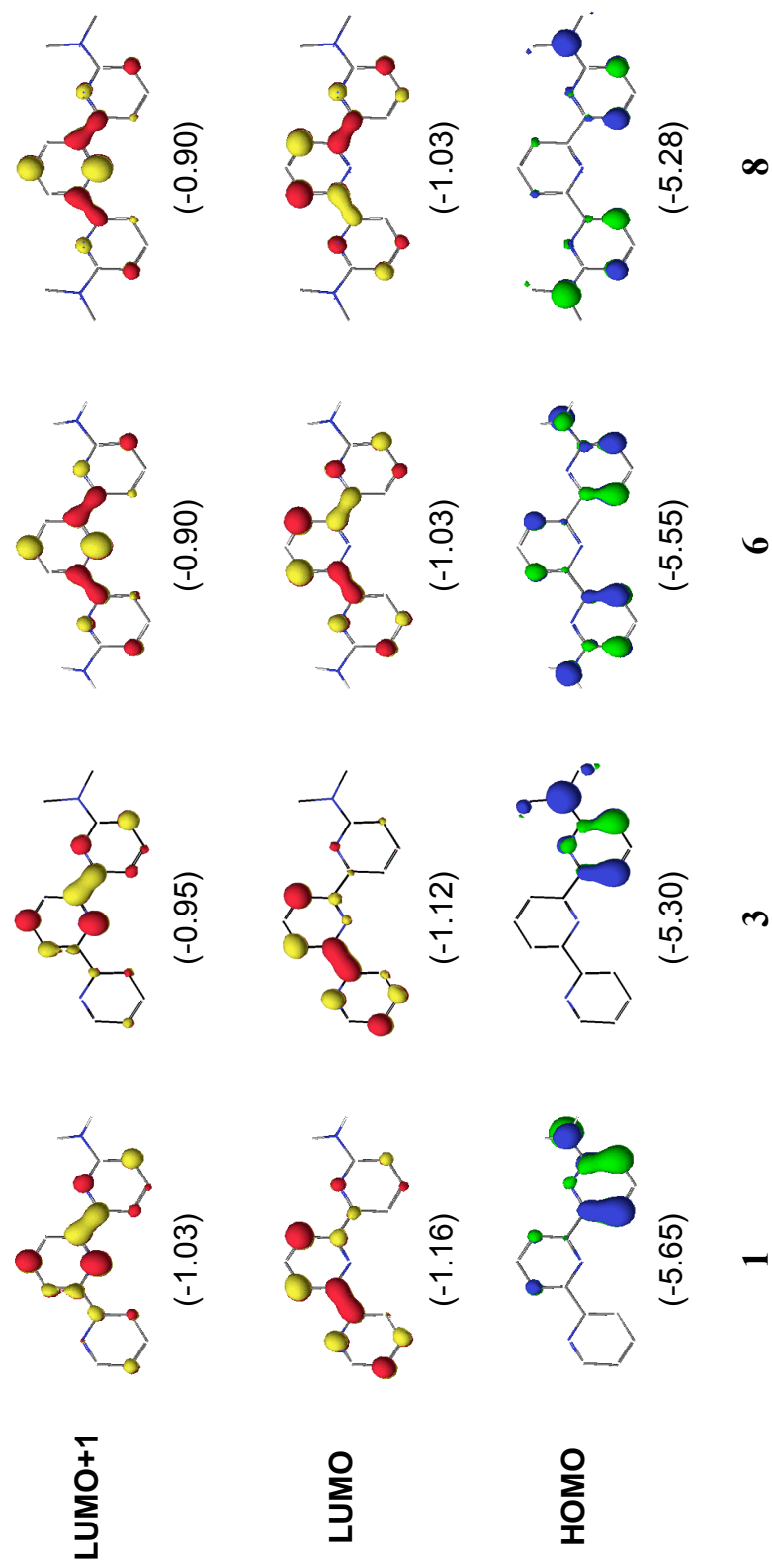


Fig. 3 Electronic state of **1**, **3**, **6**, **8** simulated by TD-DFT (B3LYP/6-31G(d)) calculation. Each orbital is shown with its energy level (E / eV) in parentheses.