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Effect of branching in remote substituents on light emission and stability of

chemiluminescent acridinium esters

Supplementary Material

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Figure S1a. HPLC trace of the crude reaction mixture showing a pair of diastereomers for compound **3** eluting at 4.6 and 4.8 minutes. Peak eluting at 4.4 minutes is related to the ionic liquid and peak eluting at 7.3 min is dibenzo-18-crown-6. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of 10 \rightarrow 90% MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S1b. HPLC trace of compound **3** showing a pair of diastereomers after purification of the mixture. During purification, some loss of the earlier eluting diastereomer was observed. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S1c. HPLC trace of compound **3** after purification showing the early eluting diastereomer. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S1d. ¹H NMR of compound **3** in CF₃COOD (earlier eluting diastereomer, refer to Figure S1c).



Figure S1e. HRMS of compound 3 (earlier eluting diastereomer, refer to Figure S1c).



Figure S1f. HPLC trace of compound **3** after purification showing the later eluting diastereomer. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C_{18} , 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S1g. ¹H NMR of compound **3** in CF_3COOD (later eluting diastereomer, refer to Figure S1f).



Figure S1h. HRMS of compound 3 (later eluting diastereomer, refer to Figure S1f).



Figure S2a. HPLC trace of compound **4** showing a pair of diastereomers. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C_{18} , 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm. As observed previously during purification of compound **3**, purification of **4** resulted in some loss of the earlier eluting diastereomer due to closely eluting impurities.





Figure S2b. ¹H NMR of compound **4** in CF₃COOD.



Figure S2c. HRMS of compound 4.



Figure S3a. HPLC trace of compound **5** showing a pair of diastereomers. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C_{18} , 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10\rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S3b. ¹H NMR of compound **5** in CF₃COOD.



Figure S3c. HRMS of compound 5.



Figure S4a. HPLC trace of compound **7**. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S4b. ¹H NMR of compound **7** in CDCl₃

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Figure S4c. HRMS of compound 7



Figure S5a. HPLC trace of compound **8**. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S5b. ¹H NMR of compound **8** in CF₃COOD.



Figure S5c. HRMS of compound 8.



Figure S6a. HPLC trace of compound **9**. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S6b. ¹H NMR of compound **9** in CD₃COOD.



Figure S6c. HRMS of compound 9.



Figure S7a. HPLC trace of compound **10**. HPLC conditions: Phenomenex, Kinetex, C₁₈, 2.6 micron, 50 x 4.6 mm column, 10 minute gradient of $10 \rightarrow 90\%$ MeCN/water (each with 0.05% TFA), flow = 1 ml/minute, UV detection at 260 nm.





Figure S7b. ¹H NMR of compound **10** in CD_3COOD .



Figure S7c. HRMS of compound 10