

## Supplementary Information

### Synthesis, optical and electrochemical properties of small molecules DMM-TPA[DTS(FBTTh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>] and TPA[DTS(FBTTh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>] and their application as donors for bulk heterojunction solar cells

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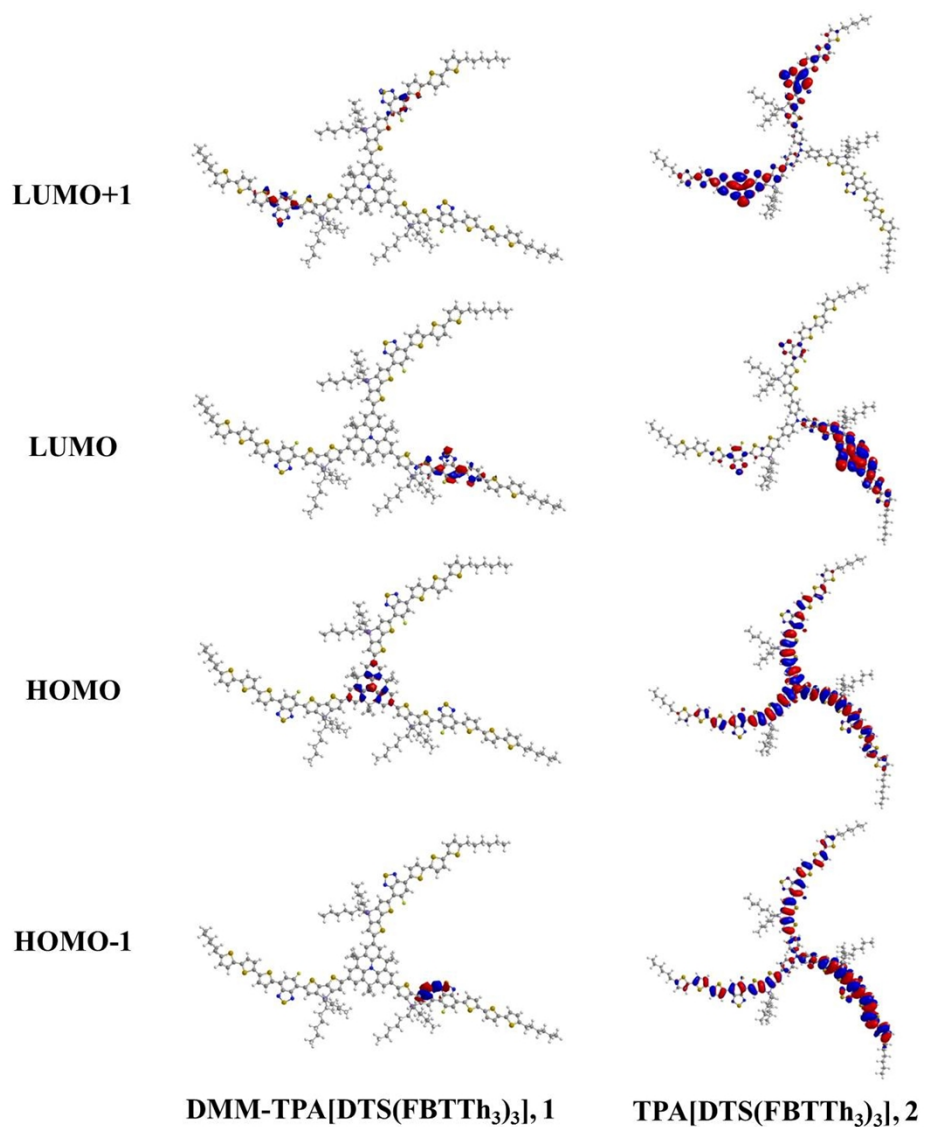
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Compounds	E(eV)/nm	<i>f</i> <sup>[b]</sup>	Composition (%) <sup>[c]</sup>
<b>1</b>	1.525/812.8	1.511	64 (HOMO → LUMO) 11 (HOMO-2 → LUMO)
	1.535/807.8	0.548	18 (HOMO → LUMO) 62 (HOMO → LUMO+1)
	1.810/684.8	1.272	52 (HOMO-2 → LUMO) 15 (HOMO-2 → LUMO+1) 15 (HOMO-2 → LUMO+2) 35 (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1)
	1.832/677.0	0.536	12 (HOMO-3 → LUMO+2) 22 (HOMO-2 → LUMO+1) 46 (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1)
<b>2</b>	1.557/796.1	1.361	67 (HOMO → LUMO) 14 (HOMO-1 → LUMO)
	1.580/784.7	1.272	16 (HOMO-2 → LUMO+2) 66 (HOMO → LUMO+1)
	1.803/687.7	0.545	66 (HOMO-1 → LUMO) 14 (HOMO-1 → LUMO+2)
	1.829/677.8	0.656	22 (HOMO-2 → LUMO) 39 (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1) 21 (HOMO → LUMO+1)
	1.838/674.4	0.314	50 (HOMO-2 → LUMO+1) 11 (HOMO-1 → LUMO) 12 (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1)

[a] The characteristics were calculated by the time dependent-density functional theory (TD-DFT) using the B3LYP functional/6-31G\* basis set  
[b] The oscillator strength (*f*) of a transition is a measure of its intensity and is related to the molar absorption coefficient  
[c] The composition means contribution of each transition for excitation energies.

Table S2

Photovoltaic parameters of devices based 1: PC<sub>71</sub>BM and 2:PC<sub>71</sub>BM with different weight ratio

	w/w ratio	J <sub>sc</sub> (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> )	V <sub>oc</sub> (V)	FF	PCE (%)
<b>1:PC<sub>71</sub>BM</b>	<b>1:1</b>	8.45	0.67	0.42	2.38
	<b>1:2</b>	9.18	0.68	0.46	2.87
	<b>1:3</b>	8.94	0.66	0.44	2.60
	<b>1:4</b>	8.46	0.66	0.40	2.23
	<b>2:PC<sub>71</sub>BM</b>	<b>1:1</b>	7.86	0.68	0.38
	<b>1:2</b>	8.54	0.70	0.42	2.51
	<b>1:3</b>	8.23	0.70	0.40	2.30
	<b>1:4</b>	7.96	0.68	0.36	1.95

**Table S3.** Photovoltaic parameters of the devices based on 1:PC<sub>71</sub>BM processed with different concentration of DIO in CB

Concentration by volume %	J <sub>sc</sub> (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> )	V <sub>oc</sub> (V)	FF	PCE (%)
1%	9.67	0.68	0.48	3.16
2%	9.92	0.68	0.50	3.37
3%	10.78	0.66	0.54	3.84
4%	12.62	0.66	0.62	5.16
5%	10.46	0.64	0.53	3.54

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