

Supporting Information

for

Solution processable diketopyrrolopyrrole (DPP) cored small molecules with BODIPY end groups as novel donors for organic solar cells

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Absorption and emission spectra of compounds 9 and 10 and their fullerene blends; film thickness measurements; surface analysis; representation of device structure; device characteristics; computational data.

Photophysics

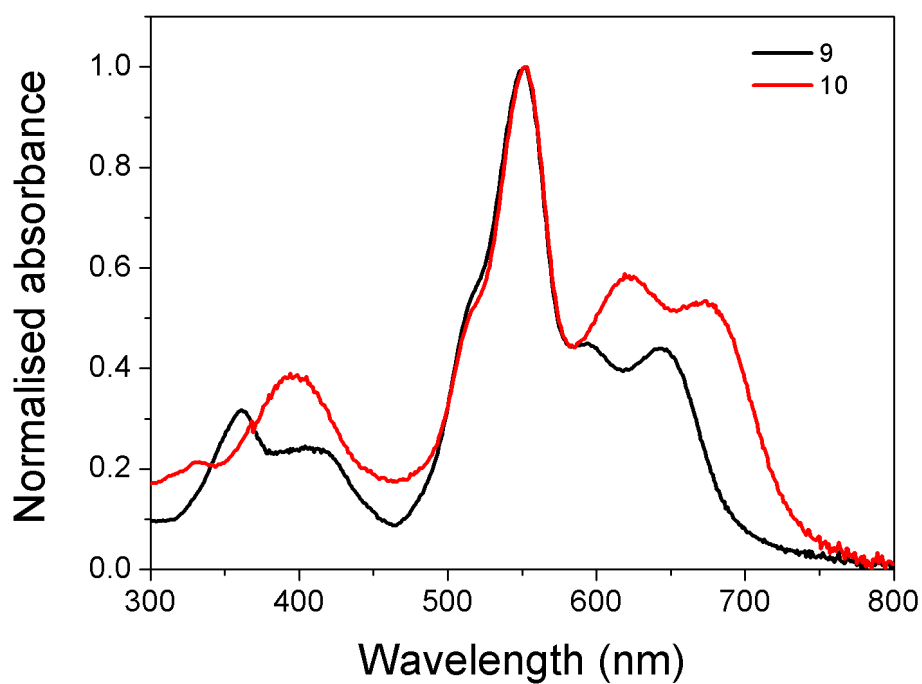


Figure S1: Solid state absorption spectra of **9** (black) and **10** (red), spin-coated from chlorobenzene.

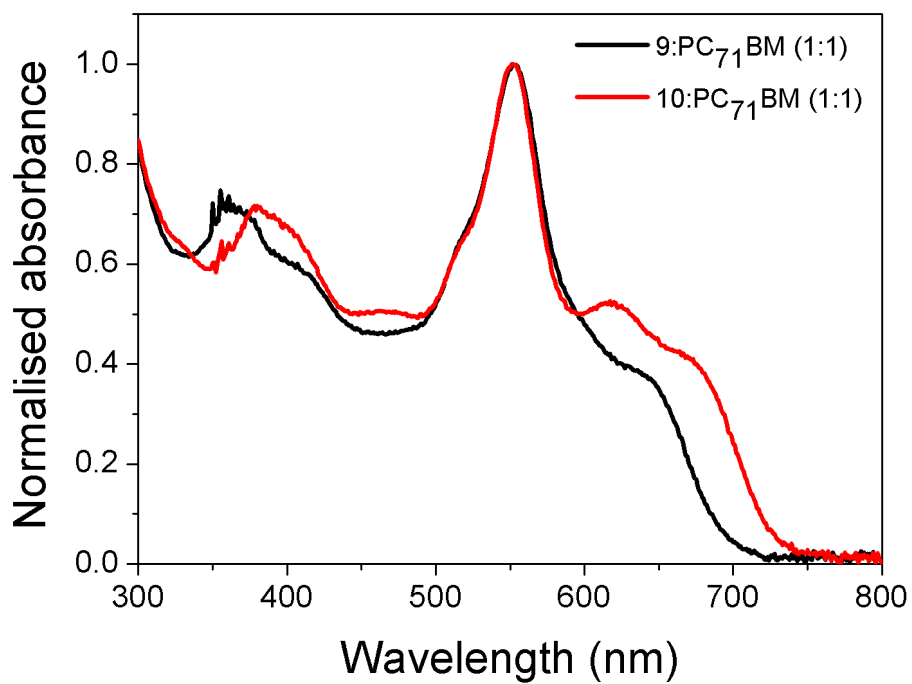


Figure S2: Solid state absorption spectra for **9**:PC₇₁BM (1:1) (black) and **10**:PC₇₁BM (1:1) (red).

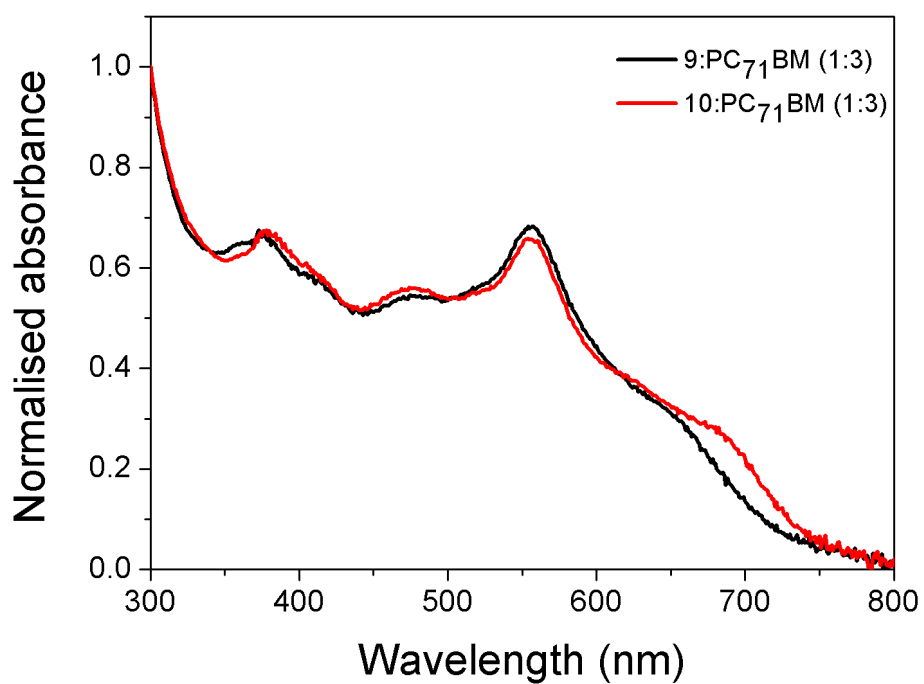


Figure S3: Solid state absorption spectra for **9**:PC₇₁BM (1:3) (black) and **10**:PC₇₁BM (1:3) (red).

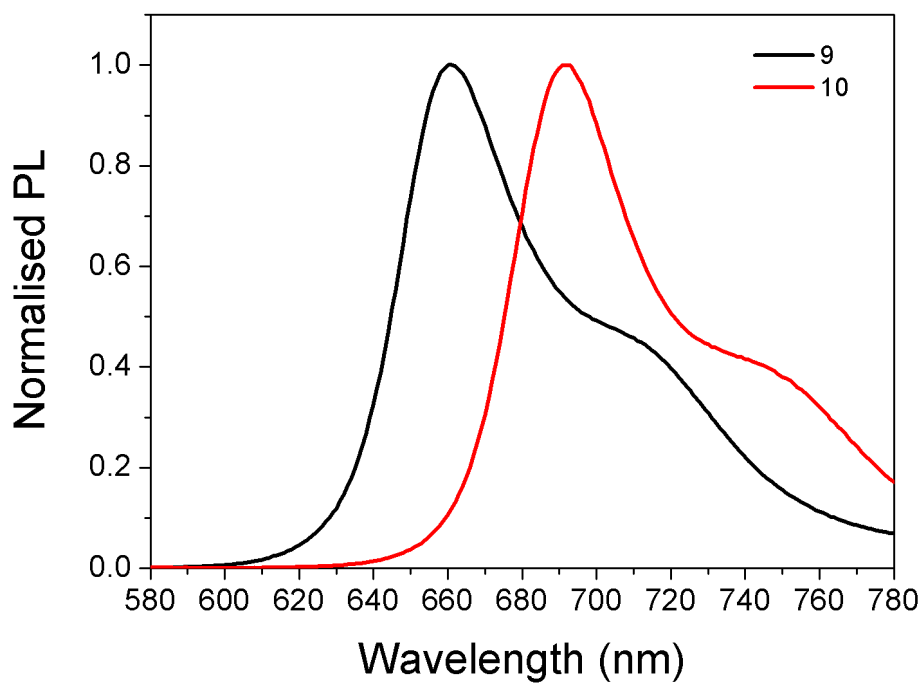


Figure S4: Emission spectra of **9** (black) and **10** (red) acquired from 400 nm excitation (dichlorobenzene solution).

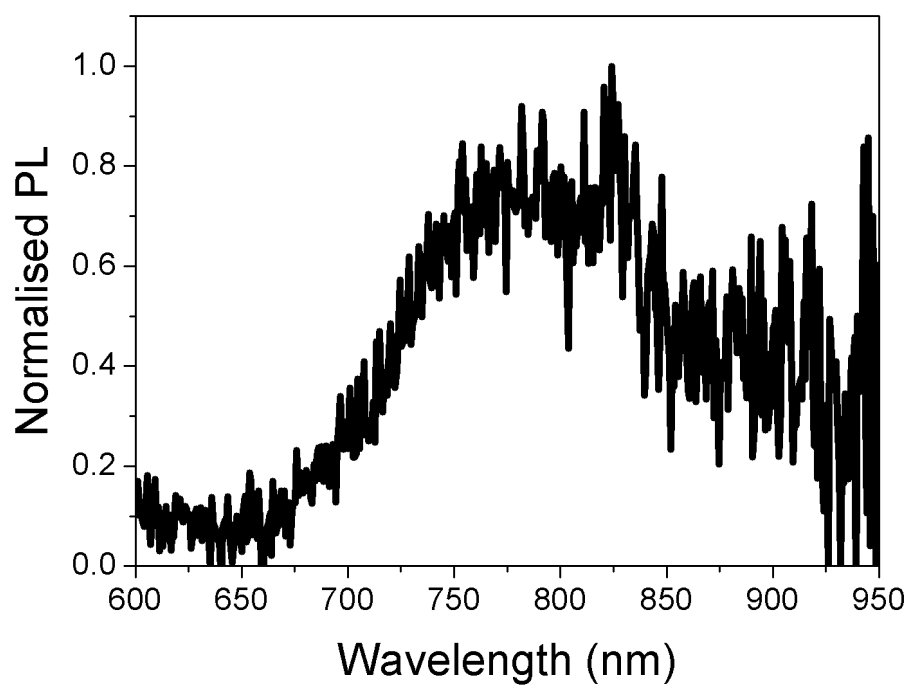


Figure S5: Emission spectrum of **9** acquired from 550 nm excitation (solid state).

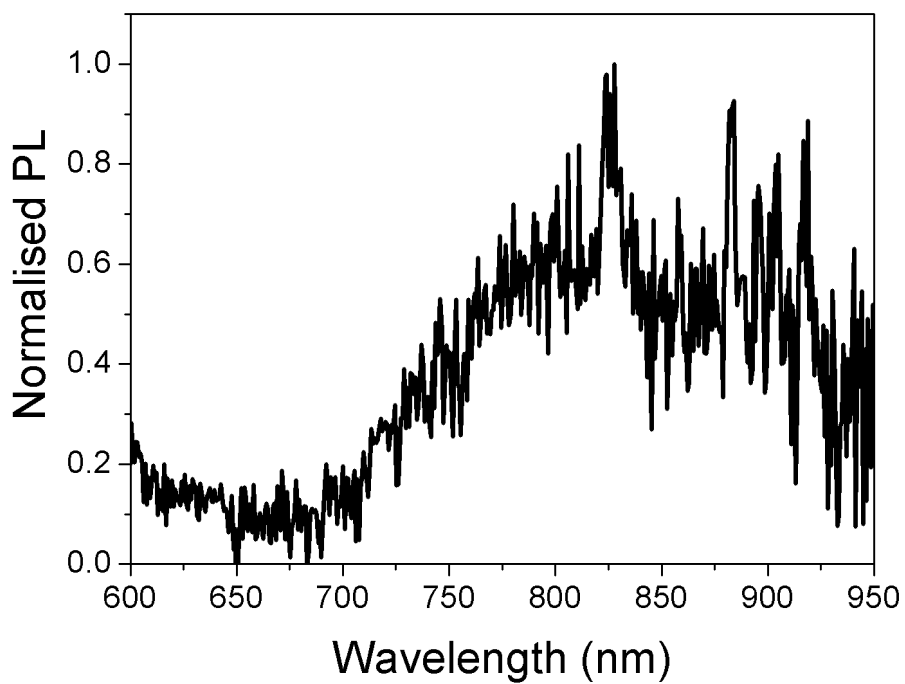


Figure S6: Emission spectrum of **10** acquired from 550 nm excitation (solid state).

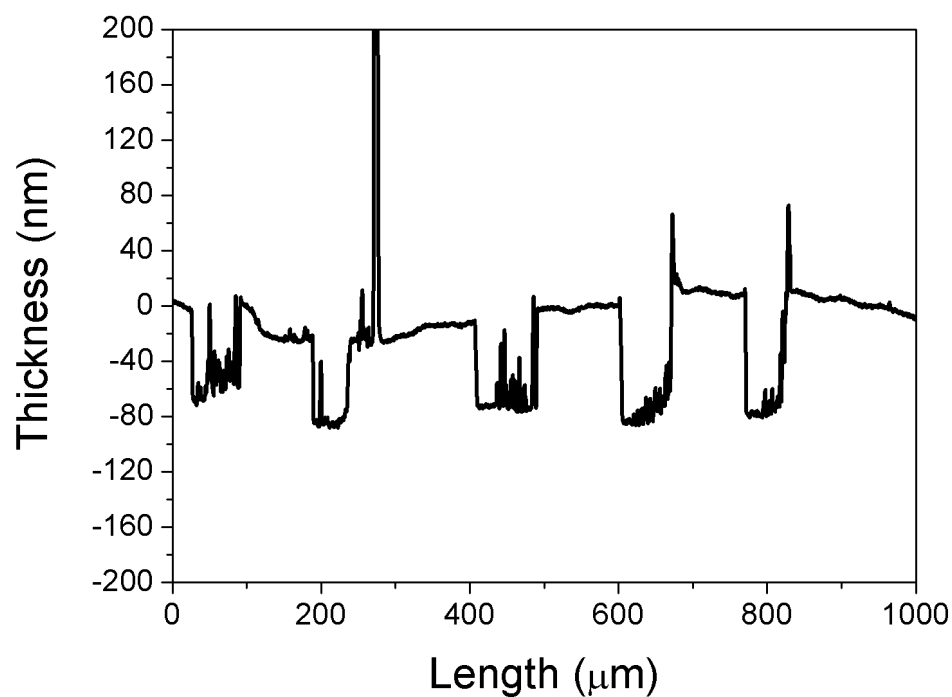


Figure S7: Film thickness of **9**:PC₇₁BM (1:3) from a Dektak profiler. To get an indication of the film thickness the film has been removed from five separate regions.

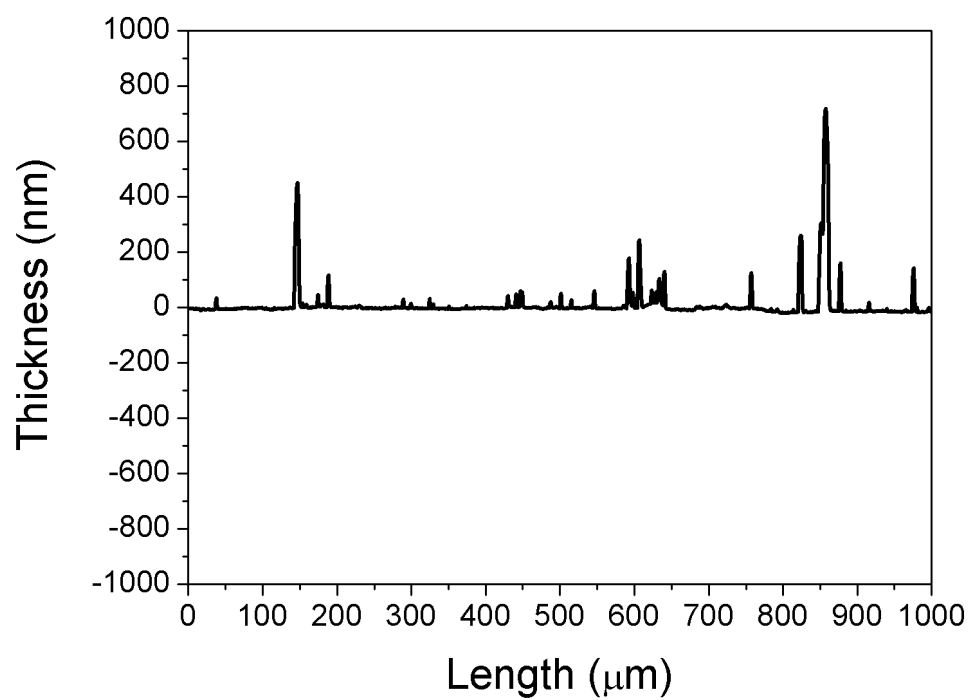


Figure S8: Film thickness of **10**:PC₇₁BM (1:3) from a Dektak profiler.

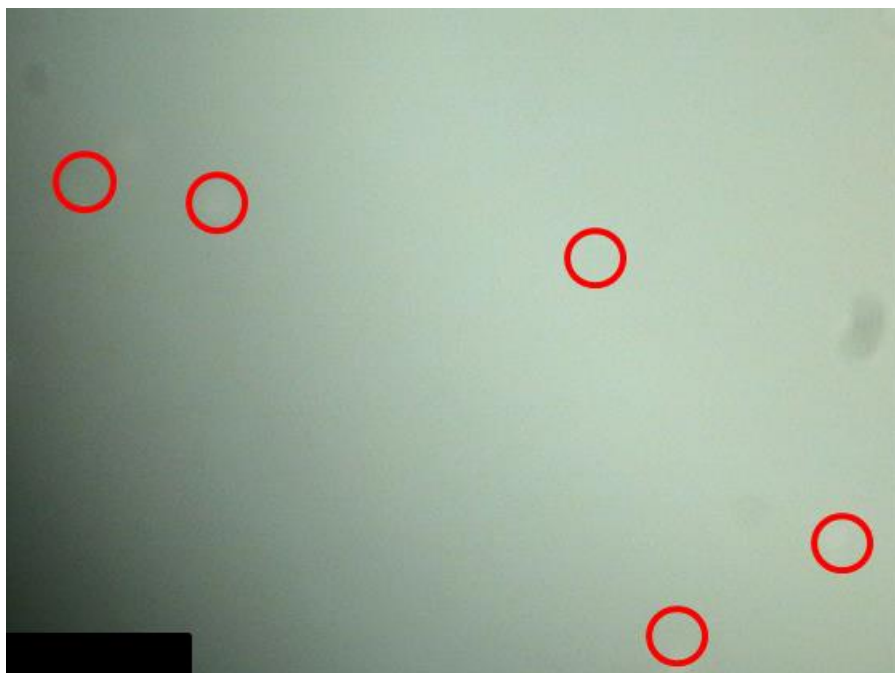


Figure S9: Wide-field of **9:PC₇₁BM** (1:3). The black scale bar in the bottom left hand corner of the image is 80 μm long. In this image there are five regions where aggregates are observed. These regions are defined with red circles.

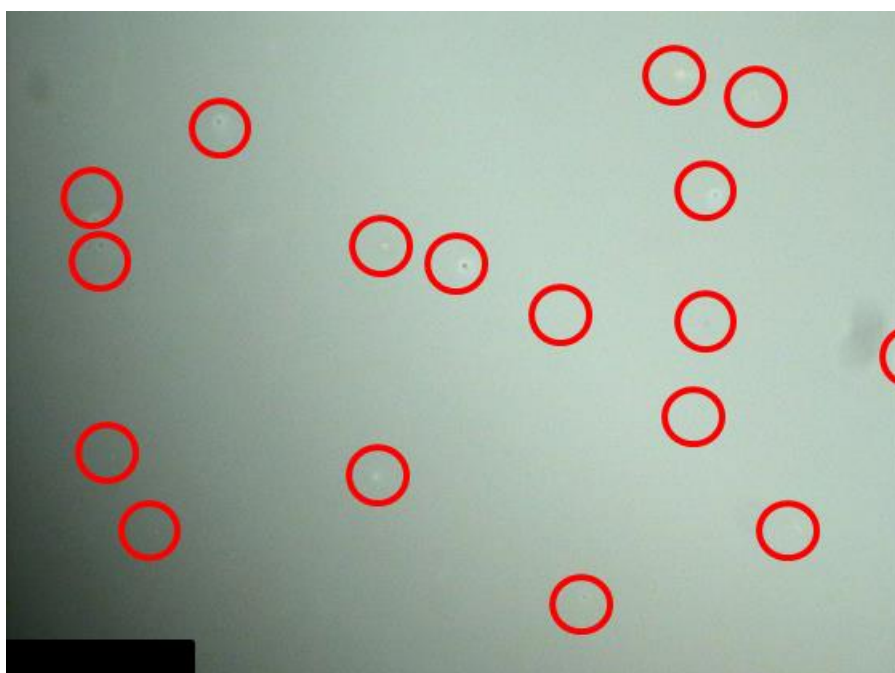


Figure S10: Wide-field of **10:PC₇₁BM** (1:3). The black scale bar in the bottom left hand corner of the image is 80 μm long. In this image there are seventeen regions where aggregates are observed. These regions are defined with red circles.

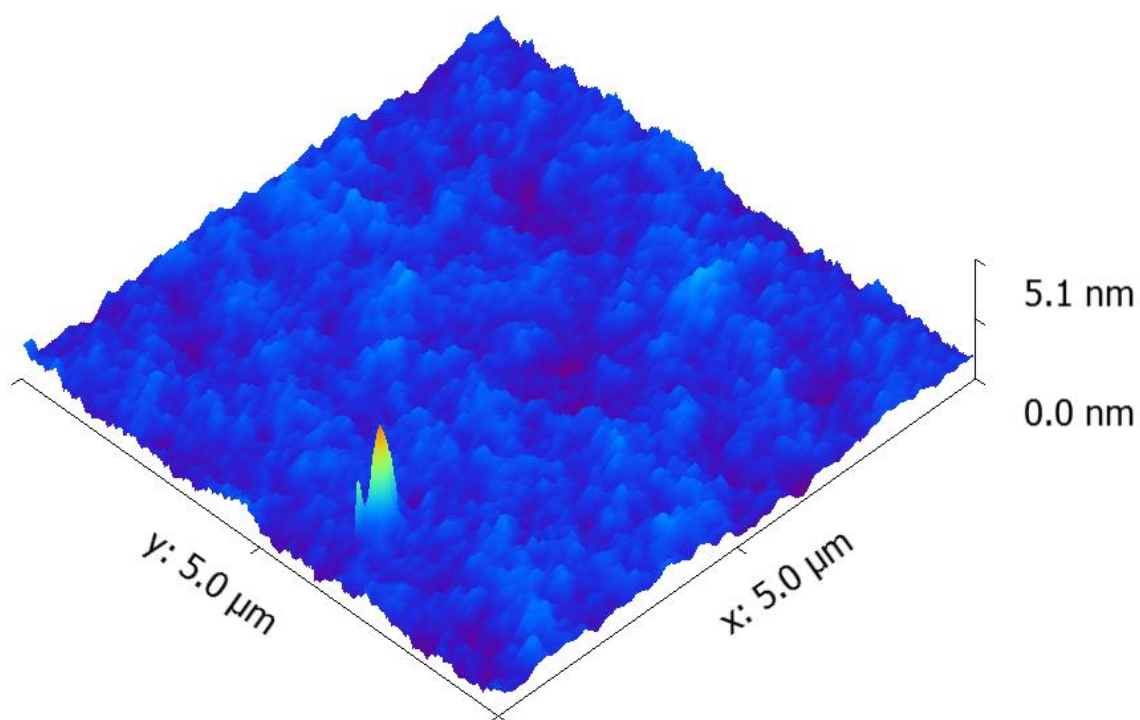


Figure S11: Tapping mode AFM height image of **10:PC₇₁BM (1:3)** on fused silica substrate.

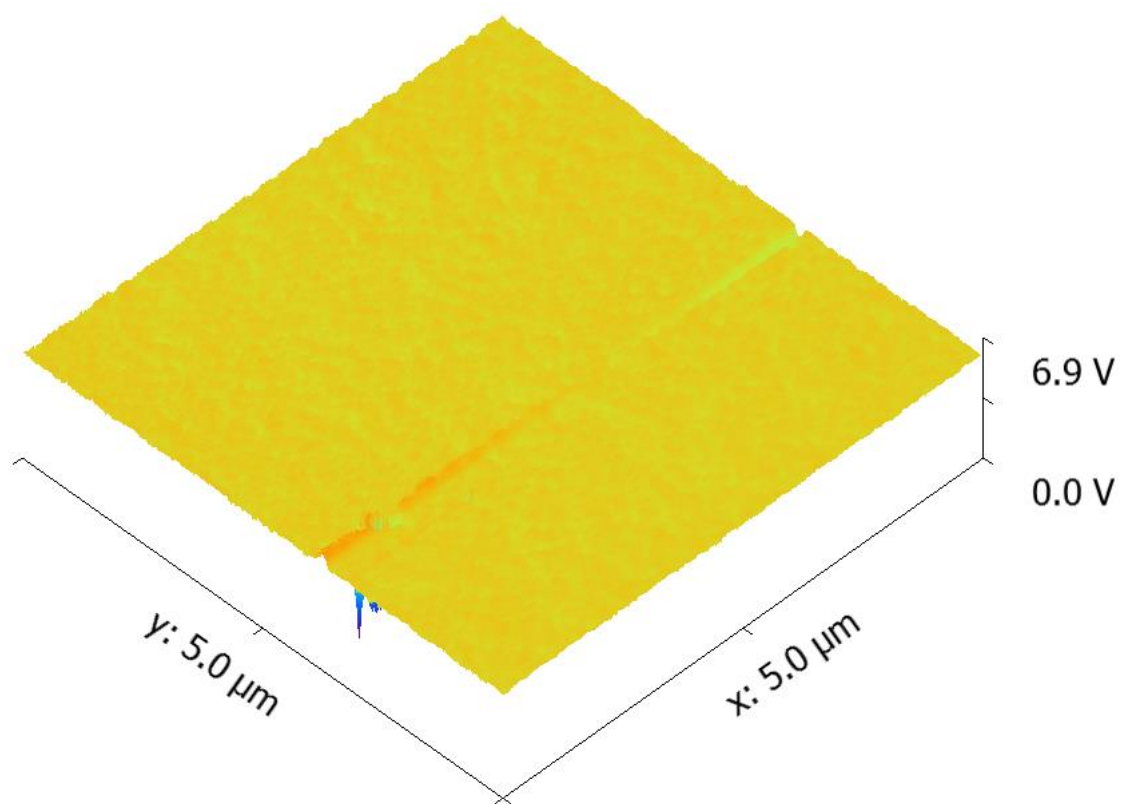


Figure S12: Tapping mode AFM phase image of **10:PC₇₁BM (1:3)** on fused silica substrate.

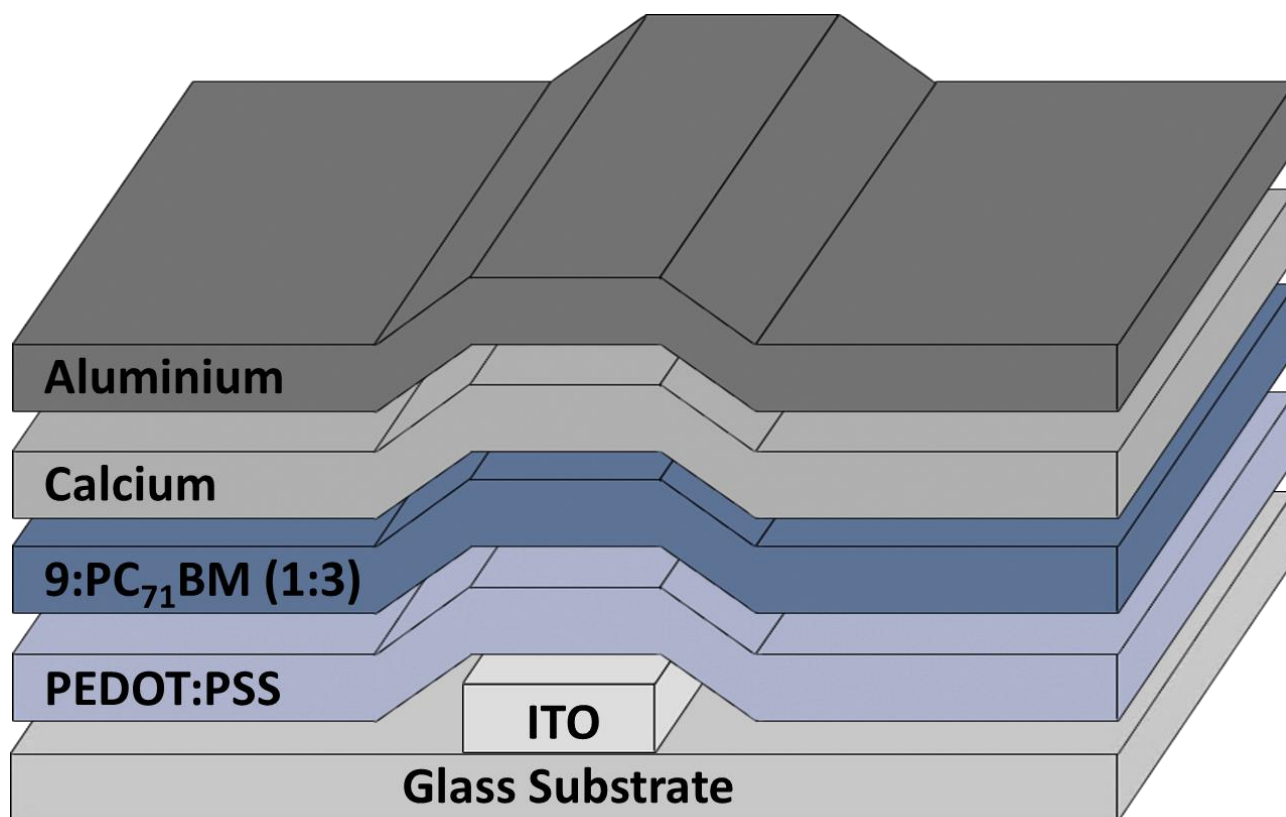
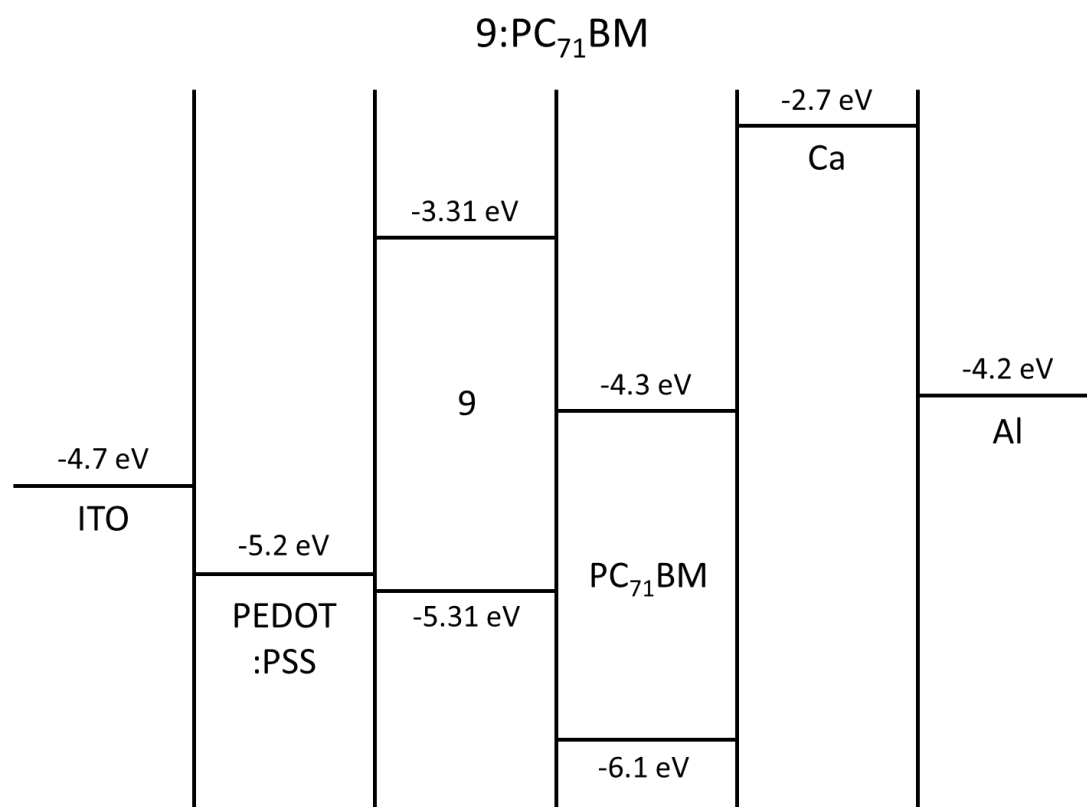


Figure S13: Energy levels (top) and device structure (bottom) for 9:PC₇₁BM (1:3).

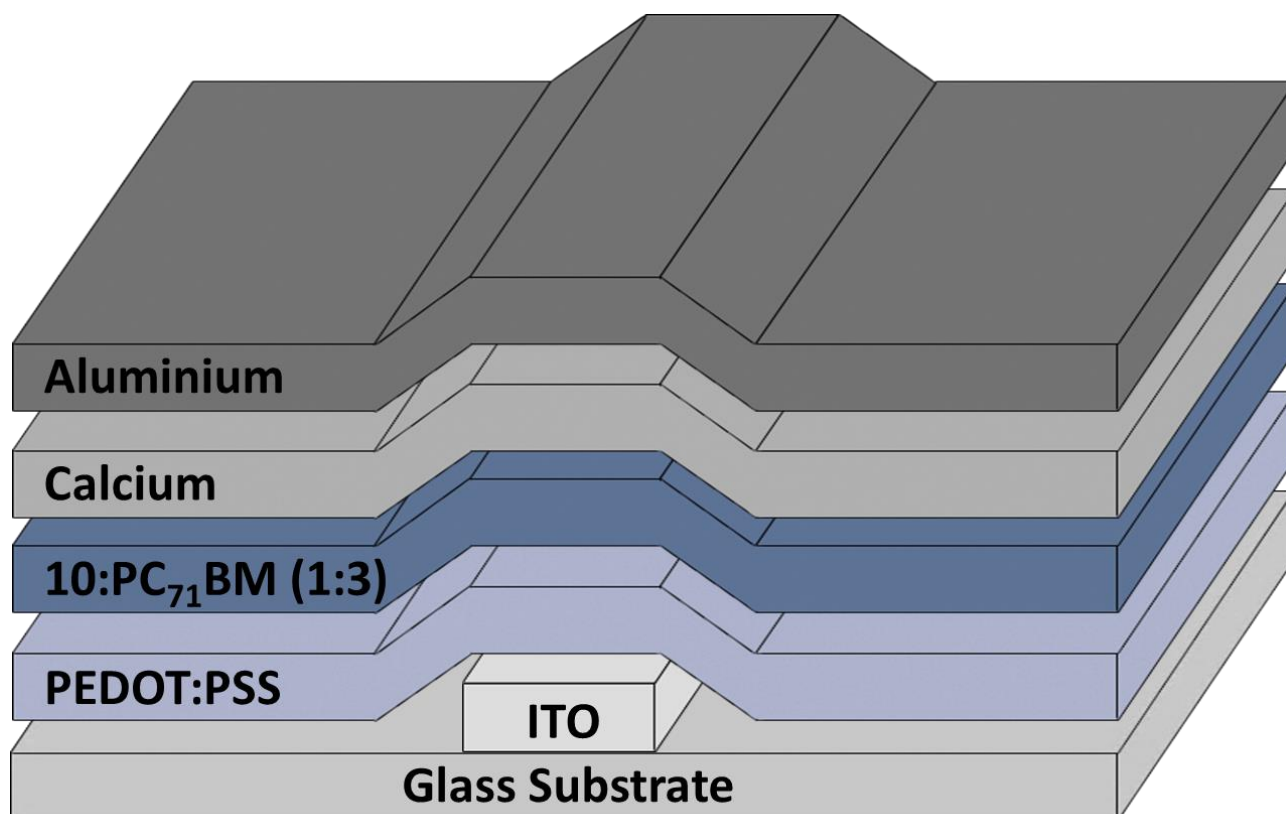
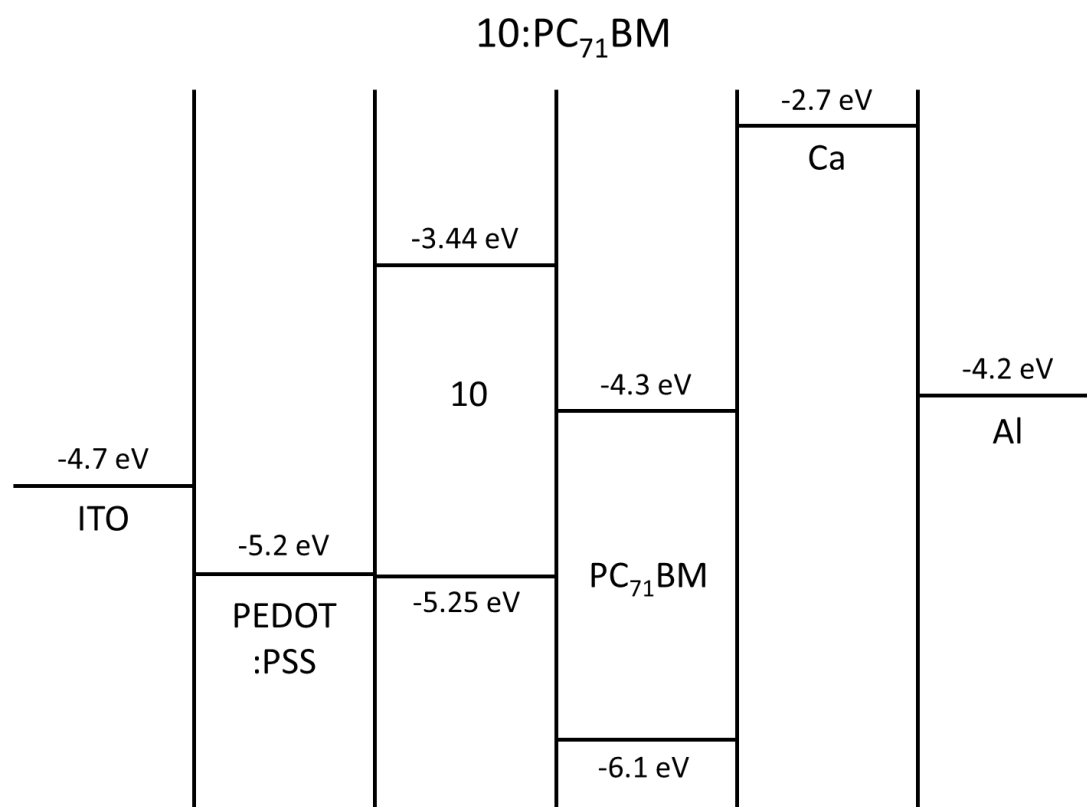


Figure S14: Energy levels (top) and device structure (bottom) for **10:PC₇₁BM (1:3)**.

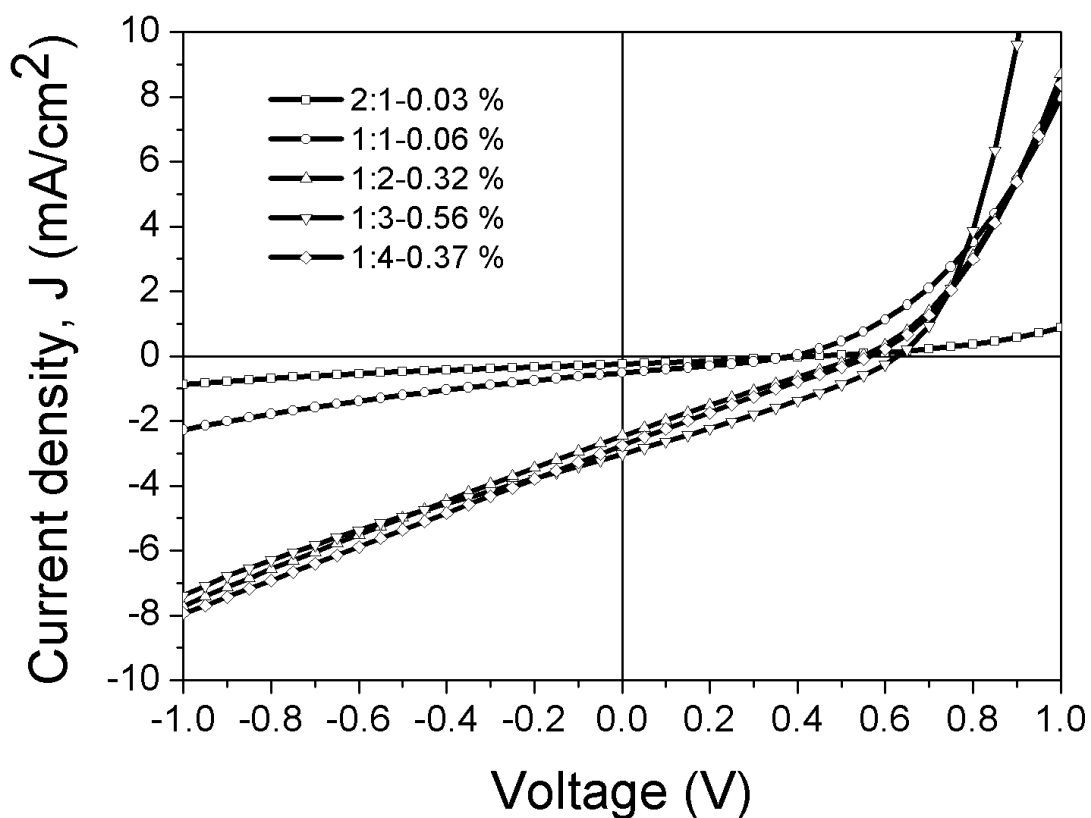


Figure S15: J - V characteristics of **9:PC₇₁BM** varying donor/acceptor ratios under 100 mW cm^{-2} illumination with a standard AM1.5 G source.

Donor-Acceptor Ratio	Jsc [mA/cm ²]	Voc [V]	FF [%]	PCE [%]
2:1	0.24	0.44	28	0.03
1:1	0.51	0.39	30	0.06
1:2	2.46	0.56	23	0.32
1:3	3.02	0.62	30	0.56
1:4	2.76	0.57	24	0.37

Figure S16: Device characteristics for various donor/acceptor ratios of **9:PC₇₁BM**.

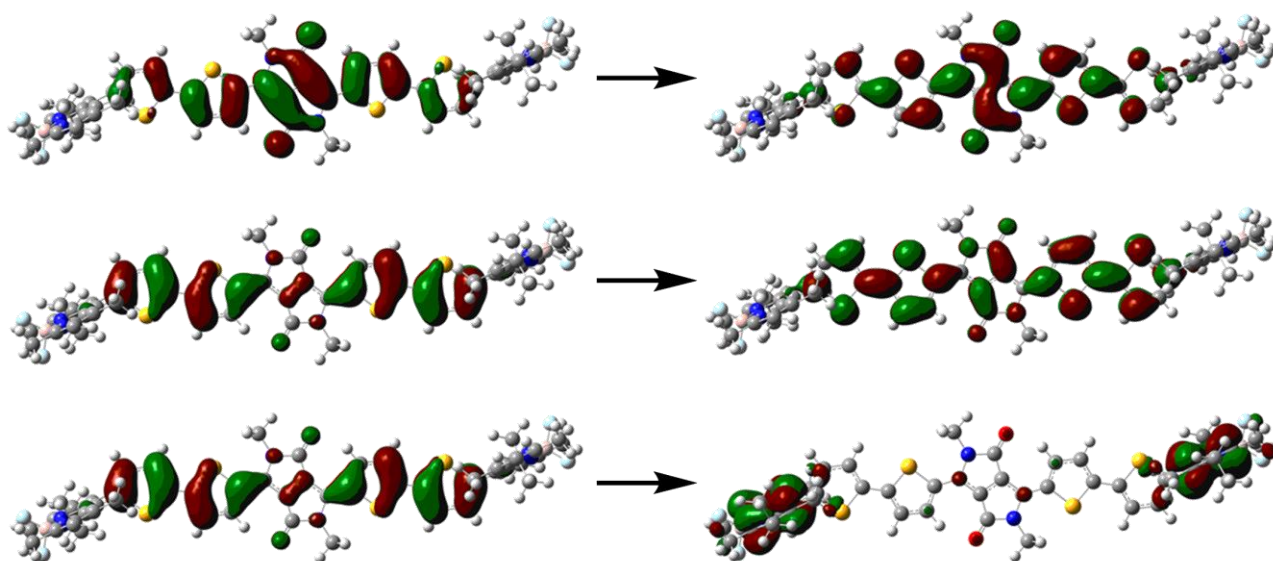


Figure S17: Dominant transitions in TDDFT calculation of **9** at 612 nm.

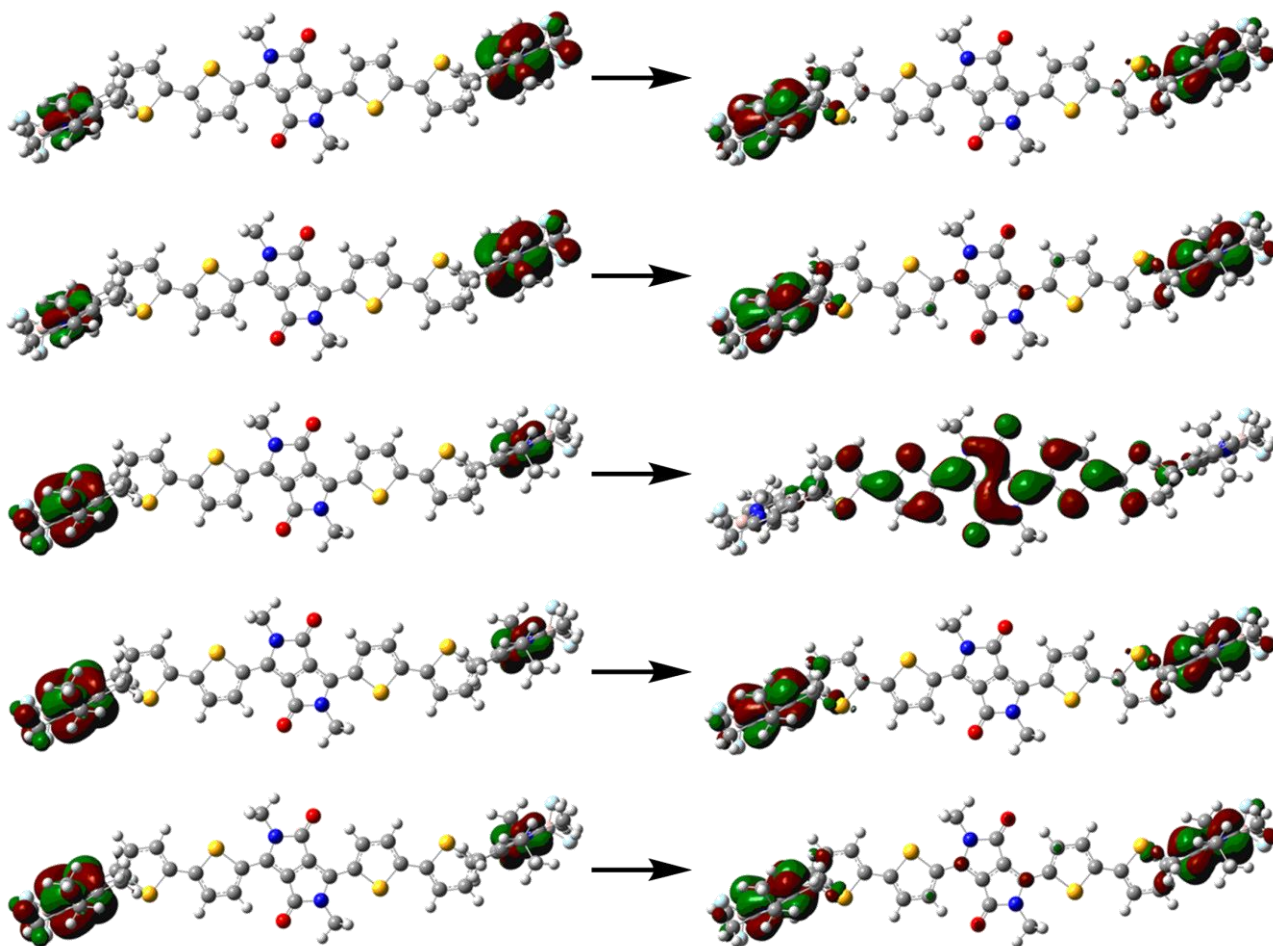


Figure S18: Dominant transitions in TDDFT calculation of **9** at 510 nm.

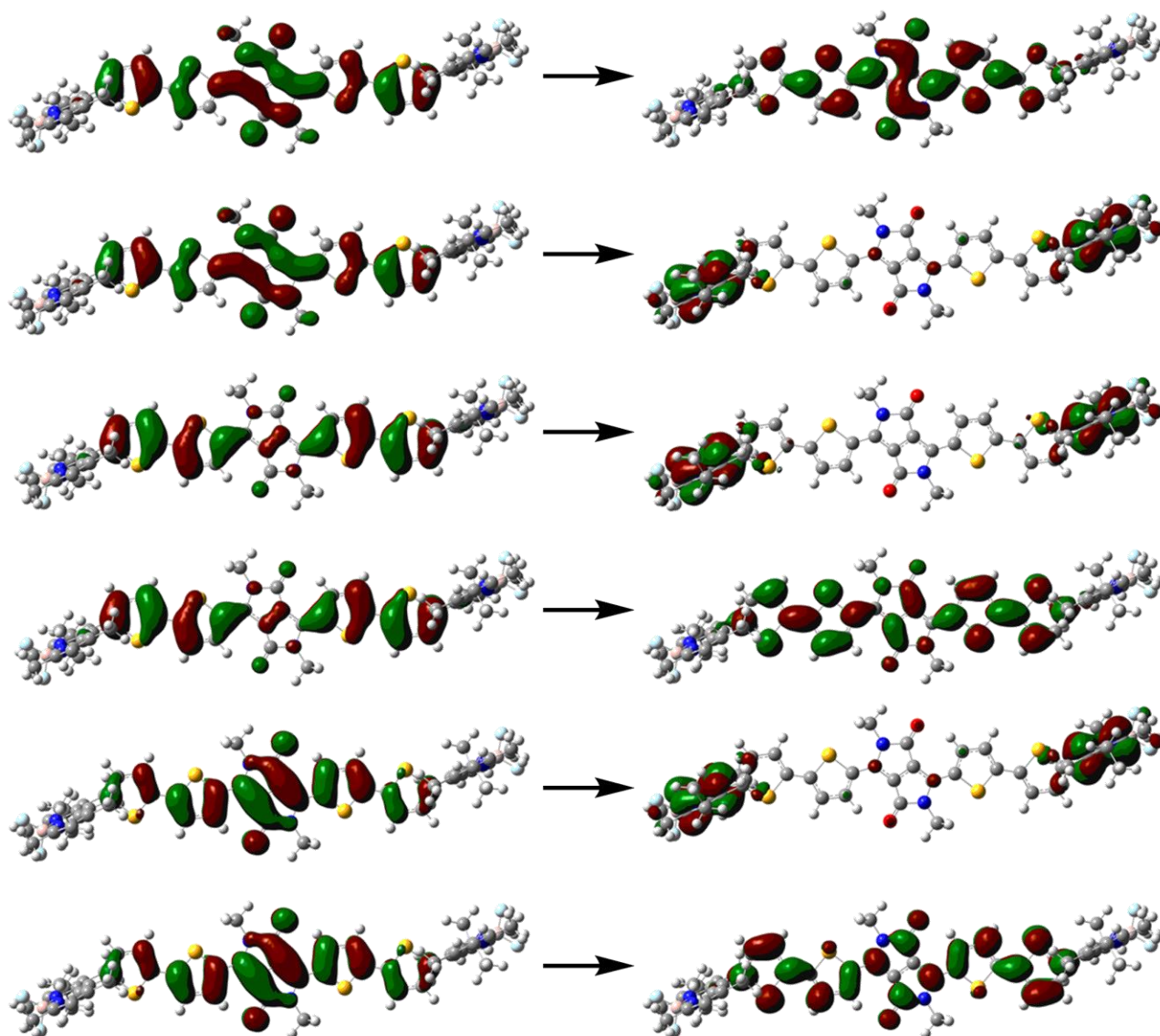


Figure S19: Dominant transitions in TDDFT calculation of **9** at 370 nm.

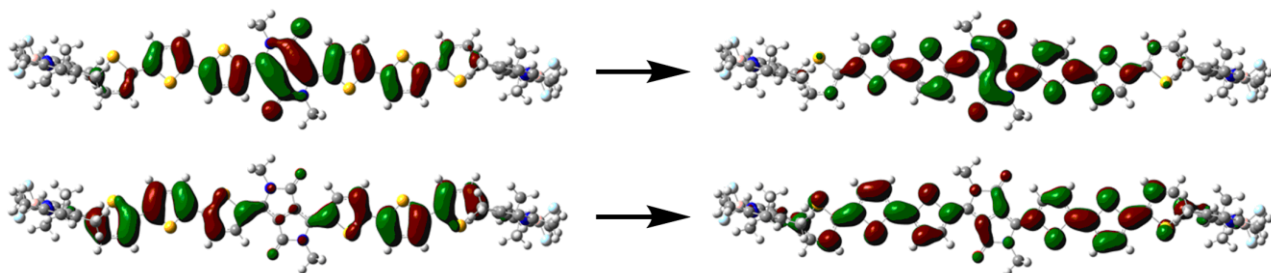


Figure S20: Dominant transitions in TDDFT calculation of **10** at 641 nm.

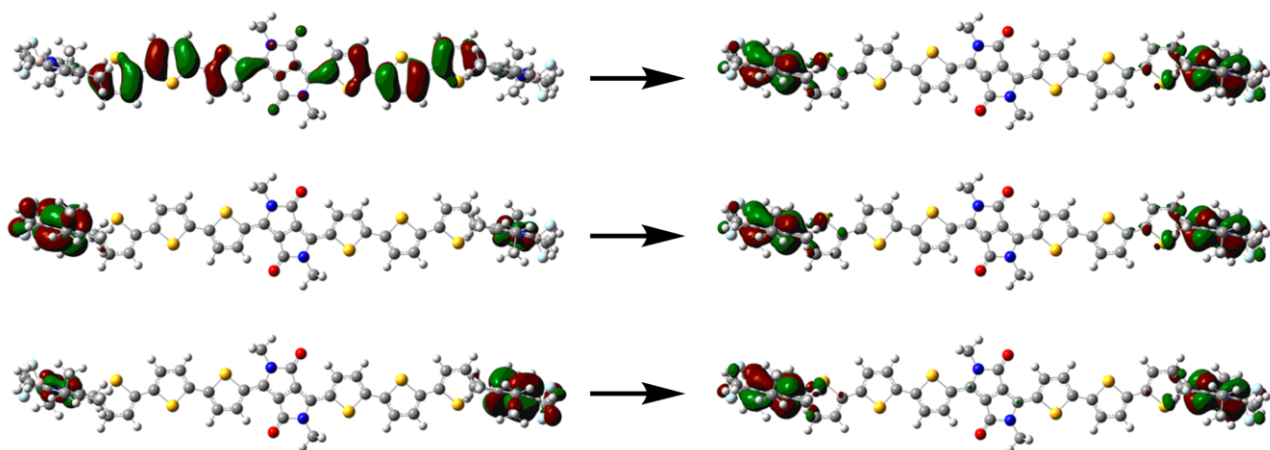


Figure S21: Dominant transitions in TDDFT calculation of **10** at 510 nm.

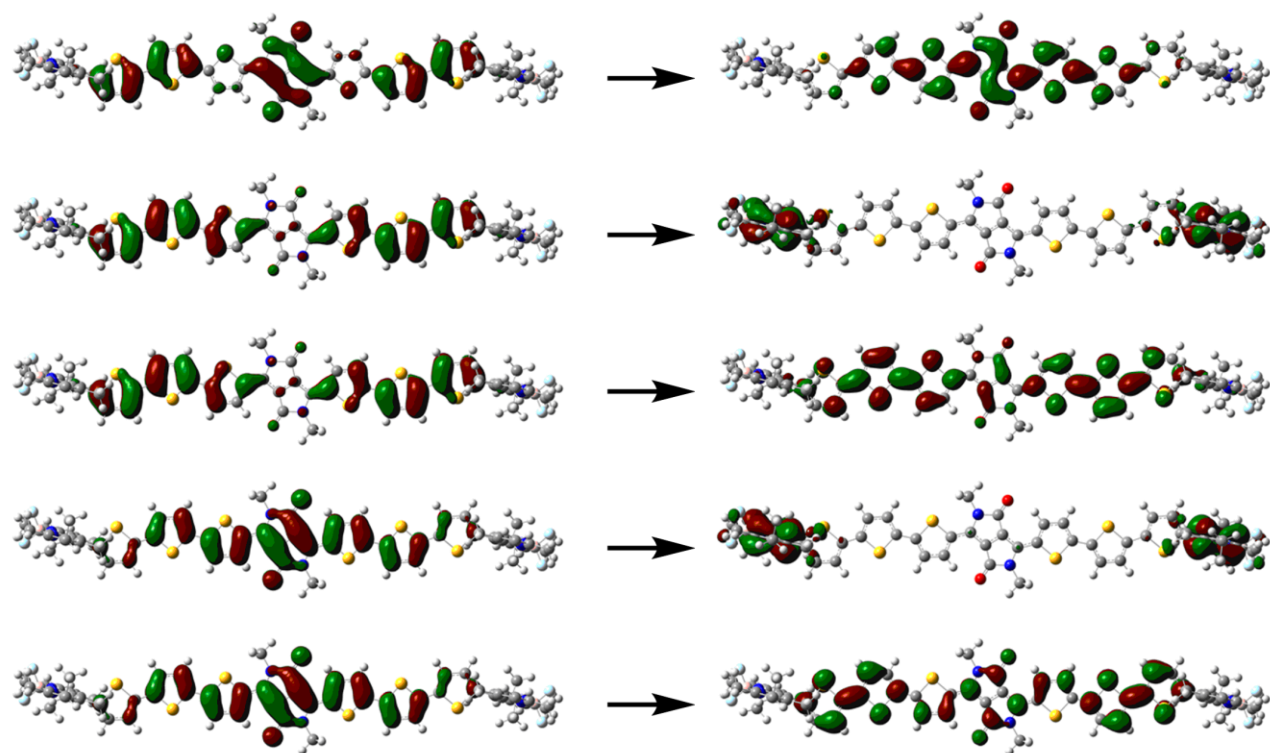


Figure S22: Dominant transitions in TDDFT calculation of **10** at 403 nm.

Table S1. TDDFT Results

Compound	Calculated Absorption peaks / nm	Transitions
9	612	HOMO→LUMO (75%); HOMO-3→LUMO+2 (12%); HOMO-3→LUMO+3 (13%)
	510	HOMO-2→LUMO+1 (32%); HOMO-2→LUMO+2 (12%); HOMO-1→LUMO (9%); HOMO-1→LUMO+1 (15%); HOMO-1→LUMO+2 (32%)
	370	HOMO-4→LUMO (20%); HOMO-4→LUMO+2 (13%); HOMO-3→LUMO+1 (24%); HOMO-3→LUMO+3 (7%); HOMO→LUMO+2 (27%); HOMO→LUMO+4 (9%)
10	641	HOMO→LUMO (83%); HOMO-3→LUMO+3 (17%)
	510	HOMO-3→LUMO+1 (35%); HOMO-2→LUMO+1 (23%); HOMO-1→LUMO+2 (42%)
	403	HOMO-4→LUMO (32%); HOMO-3→LUMO+1 (14%); HOMO-3→LUMO+3 (23%); HOMO→LUMO+2 (10%); HOMO→LUMO+4 (21%)