## *m*-Terphenyl-modified carbazole host material for highly efficient blue and green PHOLEDs

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**General Procedures.** The optimized structures and single-point energies were calculated by Gaussian03<sup>1</sup> at the RB3LYP 6-31G(d) and 6-311+G(d,p) levels for the ground state, and at the UB3LYP 6-31G(d) and 6-311+G(d,p) levels for the excited triplet state respectively. The  $E_{T1}$  energies of CzTP, mCP and CBP were calculated by using the reported method.<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was recorded on JEOL 400 (400 MHz) spectrometer. Mass spectrum was obtained using a JEOL JMS-K9 mass spectrometer. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) was performed using a Perkin-Elmer Diamond DSC Pyris instrument under nitrogen atmosphere at a heating rate of 10°C min<sup>-1</sup>. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was undertaken using a SEIKO EXSTAR 6000 TG/DTA 6200 unit under nitrogen atmosphere at a heating rate of 10°C min<sup>-1</sup>. UV-Vis spectra were measured using a Shimadzu UV-3150 UV-vis-NIR spectrophotometer. Photoluminescence spectra were measured using a FluroMax-2 (Jobin-Yvon-Spex) luminescence spectrometer. HOMO levels were determined by using a streak camera (C4334 from Hamamatsu Photonics) at 4.2 K. The current density–luminance–voltage characteristics of the OLEDs were measured by Keithley source meter 2400 and Konica Minolta CS-200, respectively.

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**Data for CzTP:** colorless solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.52 (d, *J*=1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J*=1.8 Hz, 4H), 7.80–7.74 (m, 12H), 7.66–7.64 (m, 4H), 7.54–7.47 (m, 11H), 7.41–7.37 (m, 4H) ppm; MS: *m/z* 700 [M]<sup>+</sup>; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N: C, 92.67; H, 5.33; N, 2.00%. Found: C, 92.73; H, 5.27; N, 1.95%; UV-vis (film):  $\lambda_{max} = 262$ , 305 nm; PL (film):  $\lambda_{max} = 395$  nm.



**Figure S-1.** UV–vis and PL spectra of vacuum deposited film of CzTP (left). Phosphorescent spectrum of vacuum-deposited film of CzTP at 4.2 K, measured by streak camera with a  $N_2$  gas laser (337 nm) as an excitation light (right).



**Figure S-2.** Phosphorescent spectra of vacuum-deposited film of mCP (left) and CBP (right) at 4.2 K, measured by streak camera with a N<sub>2</sub> gas laser (337 nm) as an excitation light.

Table	S-1.	HOMO.	LUMO.	E. E	$E_{T1}$ and	$\Delta E_{\rm ST}$ e	nergies	of mat	erials.
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Compound	HOMO/eV <sup>a</sup>	LUMO/eV <sup>b</sup>	$E_{e}/eV^{c}$	$E_{\rm T1}/{\rm eV}$ (onset) <sup>d</sup>	$E_{\rm T1}/{\rm eV}$ (first peak) <sup>d</sup>	$\Delta E_{\rm ST}/{\rm eV}^{\rm e}$
CzTP	5.91	2.48	3.43	2.70	2.63	0.73
mCP	6.09	2.60	3.49	3.00	2.95	0.49
CBP	6.10	2.66	3.44	2.60	2.55	0.84
TmPyPB <sup>3</sup>	6.68	2.73	3.95	2.78	-	1.17
B3PyPB <sup>4</sup>	6.67	2.62	4.05	2.77	2.67	1.28

<sup>a</sup>Measured by atmospheric photoelectron spectroscopy (AC-3). <sup>b</sup>Calculated using HOMO and  $E_g$  values. <sup>c</sup>Taken as the point of intersection of the normalized absorption spectra. <sup>d</sup>Measured by using a streak camera (C4334 from Hamamatsu Photonics) at 4.2 K. <sup>e</sup> $\Delta E_{ST} = E_g - E_{T1}$  (onset).

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**Figure S-3.** Transient photoluminescence decay curves of CzTP/FIrpic film (circles) and CzTP/Ir(ppy)<sub>3</sub> film (triangles) at room temperature.