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Quantum Chemical Characterization and Design of Host Materials based on Phosphine Oxide-Substituted (Triphenylamine) Fluorene for (deep) Blue Phosphors in OLEDs

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Fig. S4 The simulated emission and absorption spectra from *p*PODPF/*p*POAPF and FIrpic in benzene and toluene solutions, respectively, by employing PBE0 methods with $6-31+G^{**}$, together with their corresponding experimental values.^{1,2}



Fig. S9 The host emission and guest absorption spectra in four groups of host-guest systems.



Fig. S10. a) The obtained three T_1 geometries (configurations 1-3) without imaginary frequency from different initial configurations by optimized calculation using spin-unrestricted PBE0 functional (UPBE0), the corresponding spin density distribution and triplet energies at three T_1 geometries. b) The obtained T_1 geometries without imaginary frequency from different initial configurations by optimized calculation using spin-unrestricted PBE0, O3LYP, and M062X functionals, the

corresponding spin density distribution and triplet energies at the T_1 geometries. c) The energies of three optimized T_1 geometries by TD-PBE0 calculation from configurations **1**, **3** (Fig. S10a) and S₀ geometry (PBE0), respectively. And, hole-electron pairs of T_1 transition orbitals based on the three optimized T_1 geometries.

Compounds	Cal.					Exp.
	TDDFT	State (f _{max})	$\lambda(nm)$	Config. (CI coeff.)	Assignment	$\lambda(nm)$
pPOAPF	B3LYP	$S_0 \rightarrow S_9 \ (0.65)$	308	$\text{H-1} \rightarrow \text{L}(91\%)$	$\pi \to \pi^{^*}$	294 ¹
	TPSSh	$S_0 \to S_{12} \ (0.21)$	318	$\mathrm{H} \rightarrow \mathrm{L} + 8 \; (97\%)$	$\pi \to \pi^{^*}$	-
	PBE0	$\mathrm{S}_{0} \rightarrow \mathrm{S}_{7} \left(0.68\right)$	299	$\text{H-1} \rightarrow \text{L}(90\%)$	$\pi \to \pi^{*}$	-
pPODPF	B3LYP	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1 \ (0.65)$	310	$\mathrm{H} \rightarrow \mathrm{L}(92\%)$	$\pi \to \pi^{*}$	295 ¹
	TPSSh	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1 \left(0.51 \right)$	318	$\mathrm{H} \rightarrow \mathrm{L}(87\%)$	$\pi \to \pi^{*}$	-
	PBE0	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1 \left(0.72 \right)$	302	$\mathrm{H} \rightarrow \mathrm{L}(94\%)$	$\pi \rightarrow \pi^{*}$	-

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