

*Electronic Supplementary Information*

**Study of a carbazole–bromobenzothiadiazole derived  
fluorescent molecular rotor: crystal structure, redox  
activity, and solvatofluorochromic effects**

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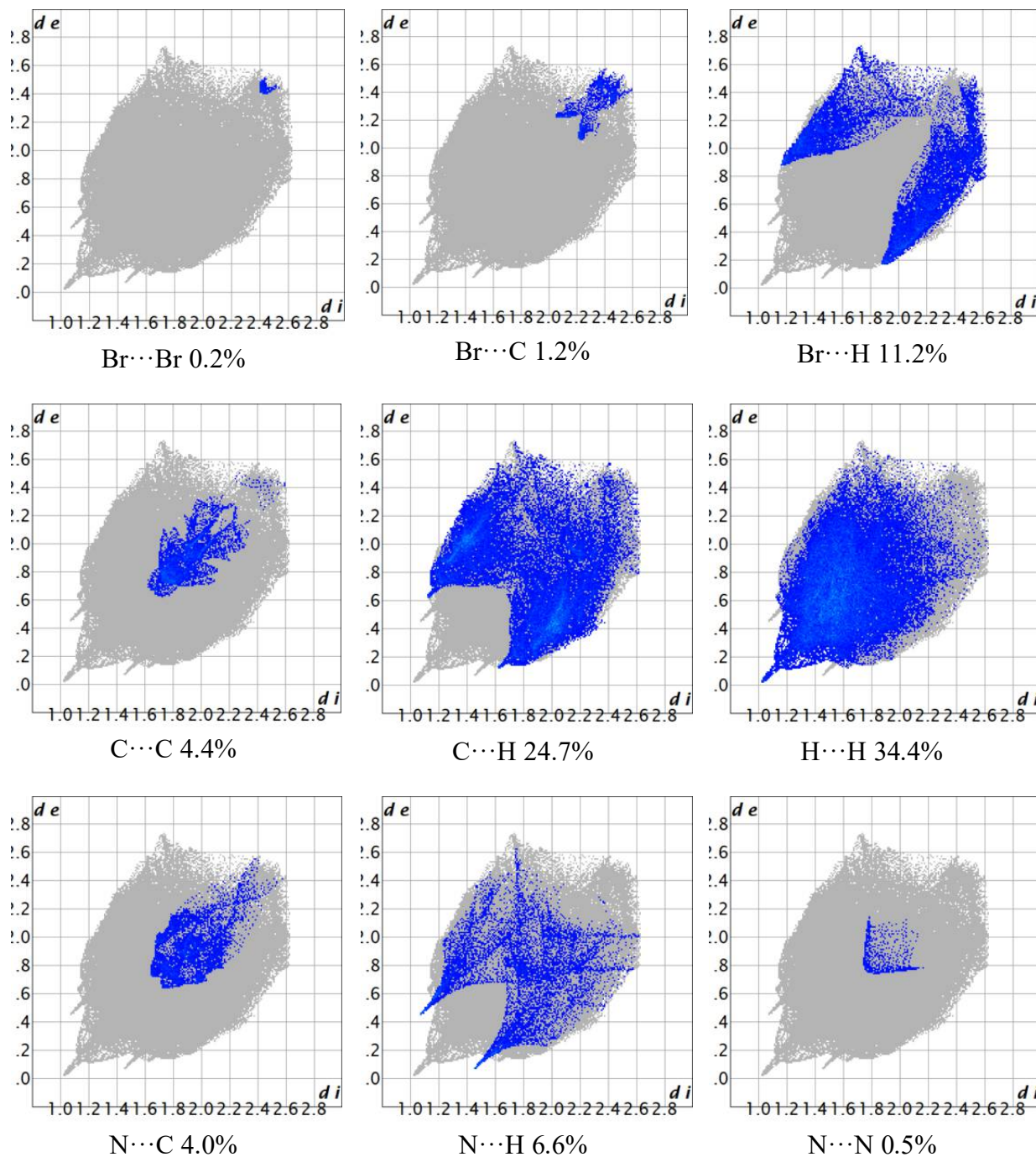
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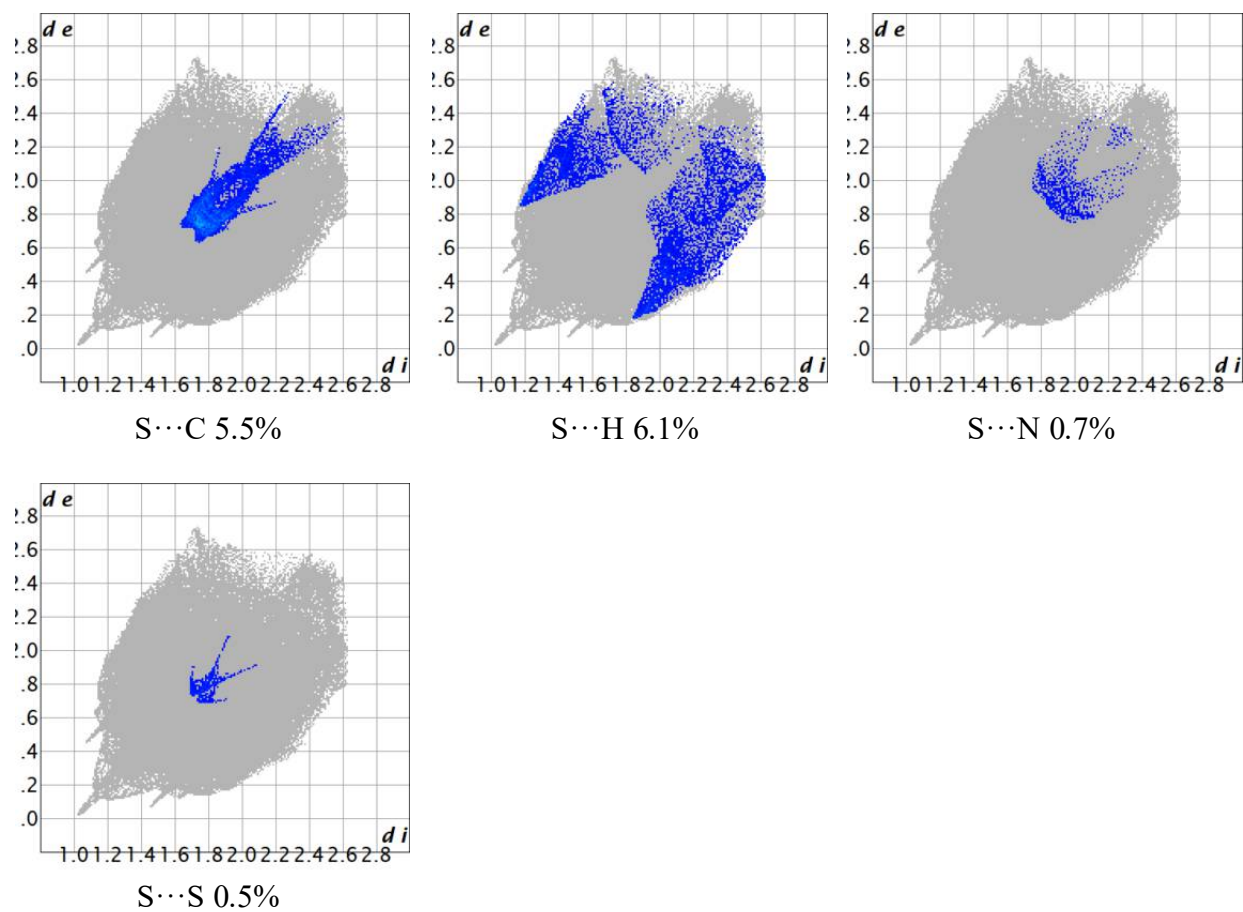
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## 1. 2D Fingerprint Plot of 1





**Figure S-1** 2D fingerprint plots of **1** showing the contributions of different intermolecular contacts.

## 2. DFT and TD-DFT Optimized Geometries of 1

Cartesian coordinates of 1 in the ground state optimized at the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) level

Br	-8.73617700	0.24801400	-0.22221600
S	-4.77535500	2.74105100	1.00511300
S	-1.33606600	-0.03657500	-0.04876700
N	-3.77209900	1.50253100	0.68097400
N	-6.20409300	2.05980100	0.63864000
N	5.38428400	0.15263300	-0.03902000
C	-4.52866000	0.48501600	0.26163200
C	-5.94208400	0.81313900	0.23899500
C	-6.88055000	-0.16130300	-0.18399800
C	-6.41212300	-1.38609200	-0.56797800
H	-7.10762700	-2.14292500	-0.90598100
C	-5.02987800	-1.69459200	-0.55009200
H	-4.73926400	-2.67681200	-0.89836000
C	-4.05310900	-0.80946400	-0.13437100
C	-2.64555600	-1.18666000	-0.10349300
C	-2.13323600	-2.46373000	-0.15050500
H	-2.76029600	-3.34581300	-0.14539800
C	-0.71985500	-2.54532400	-0.15775900
C	-0.13314500	-1.29567400	-0.11115900
C	0.00723500	-3.86288500	-0.15640900
H	0.98816500	-3.78361200	0.31261100
H	-0.56785200	-4.61367600	0.38925800
H	0.15587800	-4.24497400	-1.17122800
C	1.28815800	-0.93057000	-0.08521700
C	2.21867300	-1.57730000	-0.91114600
H	1.88292100	-2.34087200	-1.60034300
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H	4.25835600	-1.71418500	-1.56412200
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H	3.44846200	1.21849100	1.44482200
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H	9.80575100	-0.06499900	0.37147100
C	7.66001700	0.03087300	0.16663200
C	7.30636200	1.38425000	-0.19761100
C	8.04800200	2.54062900	-0.44314200
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H	4.15124700	2.60746800	-0.79458500
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Cartesian coordinates of **1** in the first excited state optimized at the TD-B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) level

Br	-8.65956600	0.28888000	0.06979900
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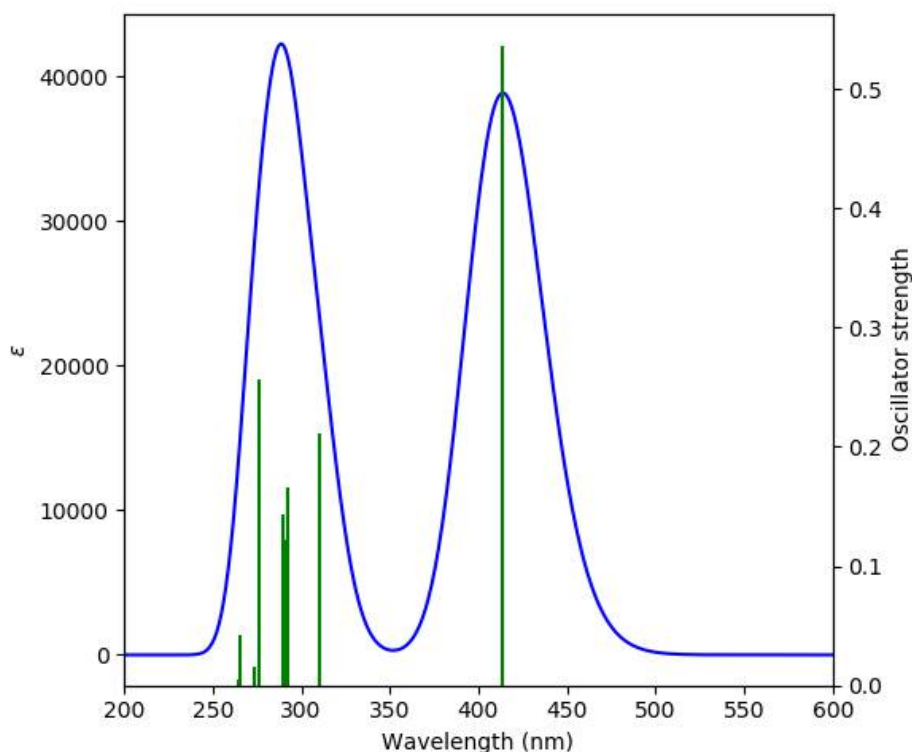
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C	5.17303300	2.55915000	-0.72886800
H	4.10604000	2.56422400	-0.90216200
C	5.83750600	1.41895100	-0.28111600

### 3. TD-DFT Calculated Results for 1

**Table S-1** Summary of TD-DFT calculated results of 1 at CAM-B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) level

$\lambda$ (nm)	$f$	MO Contributions
413.8	0.5364	H-1 $\rightarrow$ L (51%), H $\rightarrow$ L (44%)
310.0	0.2116	H-4 $\rightarrow$ L (10%), H-1 $\rightarrow$ L (24%), H $\rightarrow$ L (29%), H $\rightarrow$ L+1 (26%)
292.7	0.1663	H-3 $\rightarrow$ L (34%), H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+1 (14%), H $\rightarrow$ L (12%), H $\rightarrow$ L+1 (11%)
290.6	0.1216	H-3 $\rightarrow$ L (18%), H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (16%), H $\rightarrow$ L+2 (49%)
289.7	0.1432	H-3 $\rightarrow$ L (28%), H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+1 (11%), H $\rightarrow$ L+1 (20%), H $\rightarrow$ L+2 (14%)
276.2	0.2567	H-7 $\rightarrow$ L (53%), H $\rightarrow$ L+1 (10%)
273.6	0.0156	H-7 $\rightarrow$ L (17%), H-4 $\rightarrow$ L (45%)
270.9	0.0001	H-2 $\rightarrow$ L (95%)
265.8	0.0428	H-2 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (23%), H $\rightarrow$ L+3 (51%)
264.2	0.0051	H-12 $\rightarrow$ L (35%), H-10 $\rightarrow$ L (32%)



**Figure S-2** TD-DFT calculated UV-Vis absorption spectrum of 1. Simulation done with the GaussSum 3.0 software package.