

Yellow to blue switching of fluorescence by the tuning of the pentaphenylphosphole structure: phosphorus electronic state vs. ring conjugation

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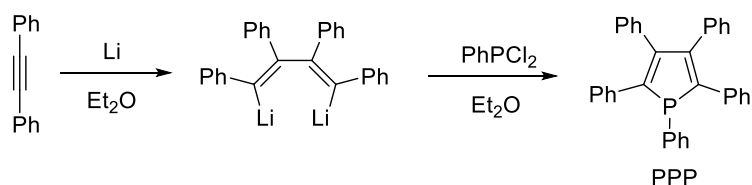
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Synthesis of PPP, PPPO and H₂PPPO

PPP was obtained according to previously described methods.^{1,2}

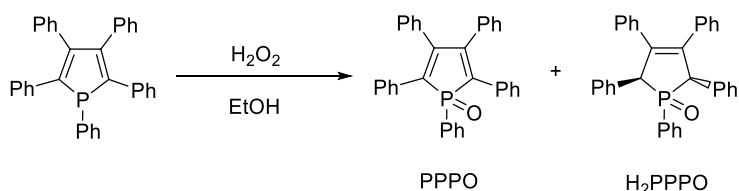
The first steps in the synthesis of 1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenylphospholoxide (PPPO) and 1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenyl-2,5-dihydrophospholoxide (H₂PPPO) coincide with the synthesis of 1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenylphosphol (PPP).

Diphenylacetylene (2.67 g, 15 mmol) was dissolved in dry diethyl ether, and lithium (0.14 g, 20 mmol) was added to a Schlenk flask under argon. In this case, the dimerization of alkynes occurred with the appearance of a dark scarlet color of the solution. The reaction proceeded in an argon atmosphere for 5 hours. At the end of the reaction, the solution was filtered. Dichlorophenylphosphine (1.34 g, 7.5 mmol) in dry ether at 0 °C was added to the solution with organolithium compound (Scheme 1). The solution turned green, and lithium chloride precipitated out. The mixture was left for 24 hours after filtration, and the ether was removed under reduced pressure. The target product was obtained with a yield of 60%.



Scheme S1. Synthesis of PPP

To obtain PPPO and H₂PPPO, an additional stage of interaction of PPP with hydrogen peroxide in ethanol was carried out (Scheme 2). The dried reaction mixture of PPP was dissolved in 50 ml of ethanol, and then 0.935 ml of H₂O₂ was added dropwise, followed by stirring for 3 hours. The solvent was removed, and the resulting mixture was separated by gradient column chromatography.



Scheme S2. Synthesis of PPPO and H₂PPPO.

The product mixture contained two fractions, one of which corresponded to PPPO and showed yellow fluorescence, and H₂PPPO, which showed intense blue fluorescence. After isolation, the PPPO yield was 40%, and the H₂PPPO yield was 12%.

NMR characterization

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained with a Bruker Fourier 300 HD NMR spectrometer (at frequencies of 300.1 and 75.5 MHz, respectively) in CDCl₃ solutions. Residual protons in CDCl₃ were used as internal standards. ³¹P-NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX500 instrument (the frequencies for ³¹P were 202.45 MHz) in CDCl₃. Eighty-five percent H₃PO₄ was used as a standard.

UV-vis and fluorescence spectra

UV-visible spectra at ambient temperature were recorded on a Varian Cary 5000 spectrophotometer. Luminescence and emission excitation spectra as well as the luminescence decays were recorded on a Fluorolog-QM-75-22-C spectrofluorometer equipped with a Hamamatsu R13456 cooled photomultiplier tube sensitive in the UV-Vis-NIR region (200-950 nm). All necessary instrument correction functions were applied for all spectra. Quantum yields were determined by the absolute method with the use of a G8 (GMP, Switzerland) integrating sphere placed into a Fluorolog QM spectrofluorometer. The measurements were conducted according to the procedure described previously.³

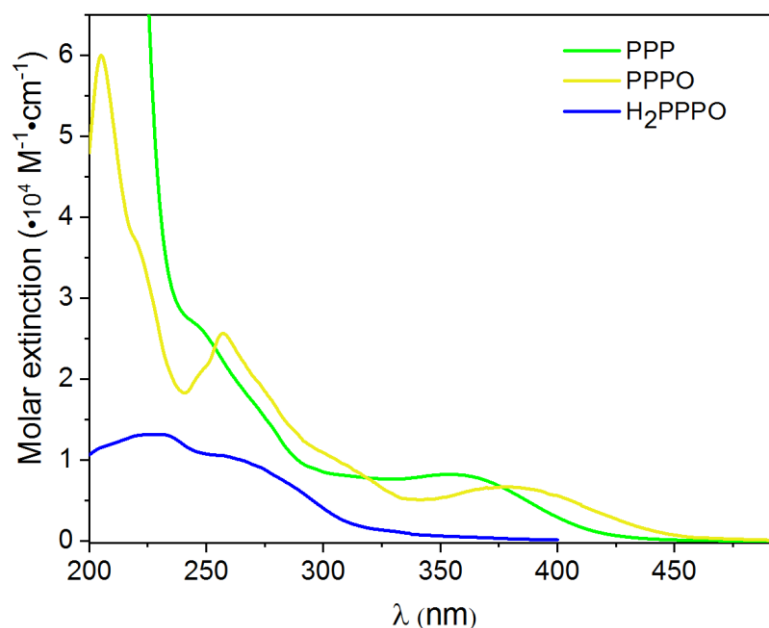


Figure S1. UV-Vis spectra.

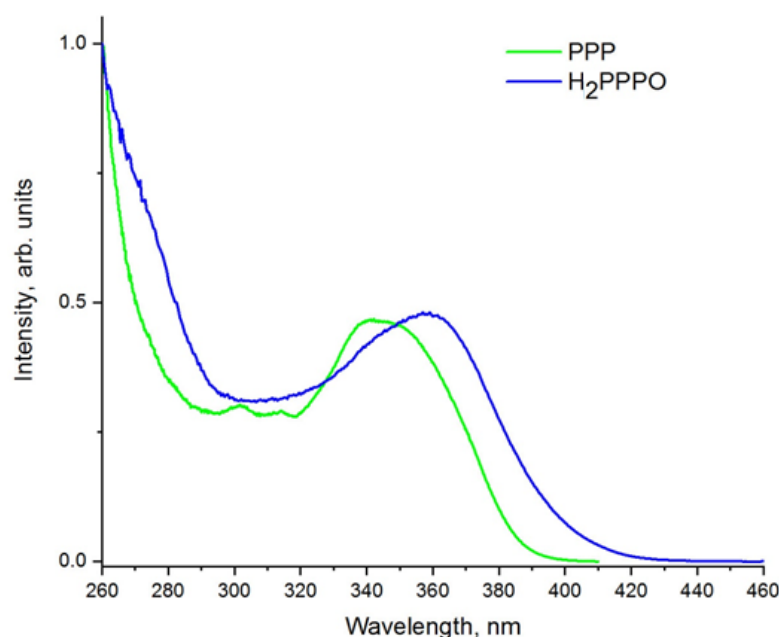


Figure S2. Luminescence excitation spectra for H₂PPPO and PPP in solution MeCN.

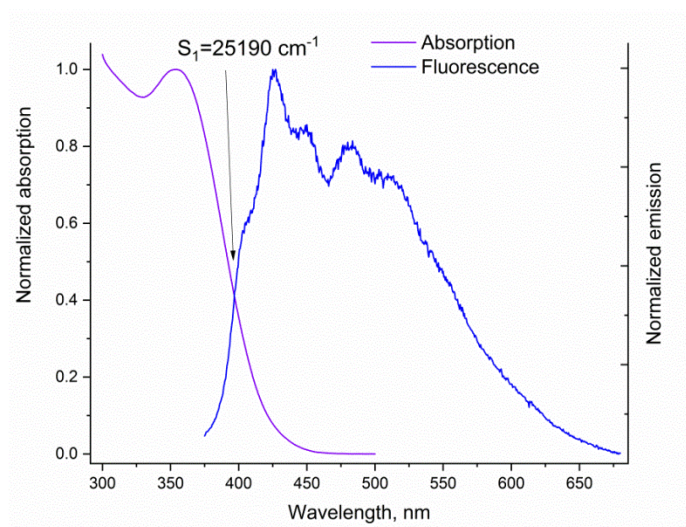


Figure S3. Normalized low-energy absorption band and normalized fluorescence spectra for H_2PPPO .

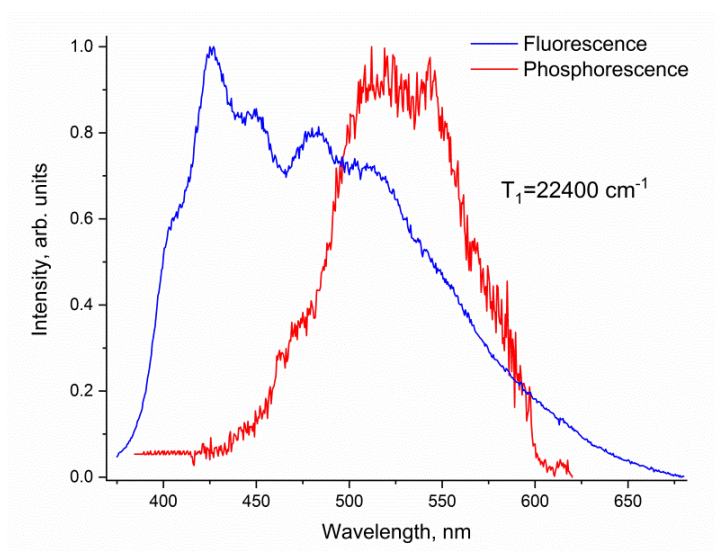


Figure S4. Fluorescence and phosphorescence spectra for H_2PPPO .

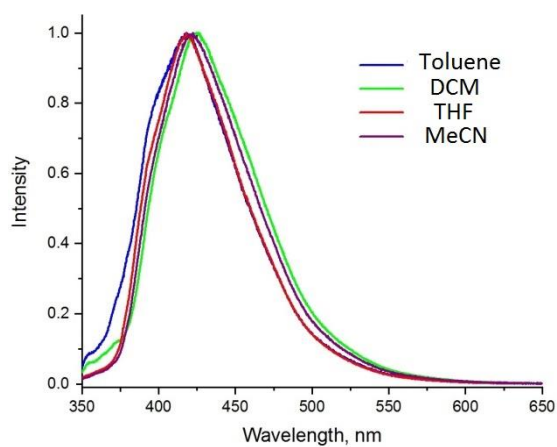


Figure S5. Luminescence spectra for H_2PPPO in different solutions.

ESI-MS

High-resolution ESI mass spectra were obtained with a Bruker maXis Q-TOF instrument. Measurements were carried out in positive ion mode (capillary voltage 4500 V, external calibration (electrospray calibration solution, Fluka)). The mass scan range was set to m/z 50—1500 Da. A syringe pump was used for the direct inlet of a solution of the analyte in acetonitrile ($3 \mu\text{L min}^{-1}$). Nitrogen was used as both the nebulizer gas (1.2 bar) and carrier gas (4.0 L min^{-1} , $200 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$). Experimental data were processed using Bruker DataAnalysis 4.0 software.

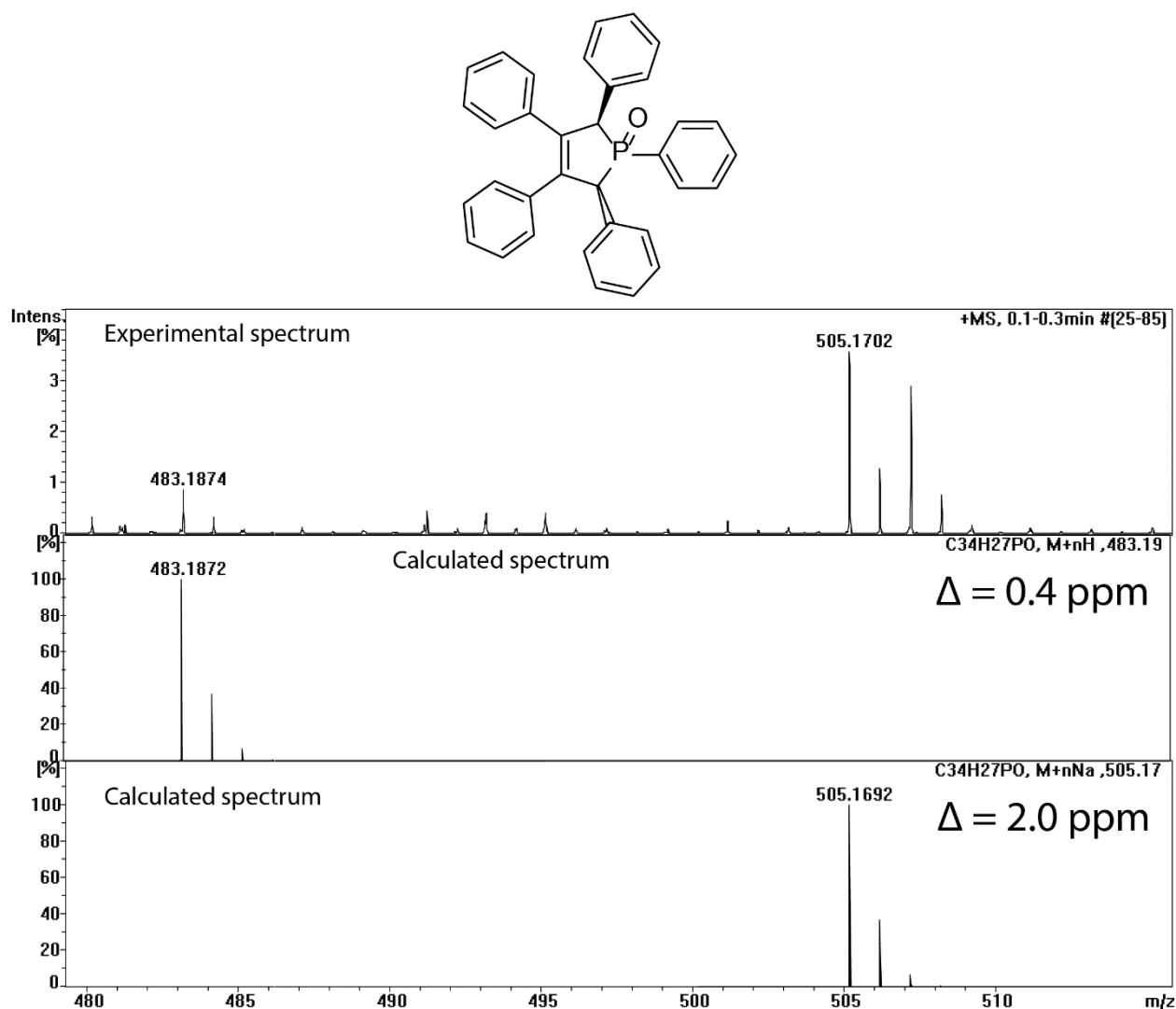


Figure S6. ESI-MS spectrum of H₂PPPO

X-ray crystallographic data and refinement details.

X-ray diffraction data were collected on a Bruker Quest D8 diffractometer equipped with a Photon-III area detector (shutterless φ - and ω -scan technique) using graphite-monochromatized Mo K_{α} -radiation ($\lambda=0.71073 \text{ \AA}$). The intensity data were integrated by the SAINT program⁴ and semiempirically corrected from equivalent reflections for absorption and decay with SADABS.⁵

The structures were solved by direct methods using SHELXT⁶ and refined by the full-matrix least-squares on F^2 using SHELXL.⁷ All nonhydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. All hydrogen atoms, including were placed in ideal calculated positions (C-H distance = 0.950 Å for aromatic, 0.990 Å for methylene and 1.000 Å for tertiary hydrogen atoms) and refined as riding atoms with relative isotropic displacement parameters. (1.2 $U_{eq}(C)$ for hydrogen atoms). In PPPO, the U_{ij} components of anisotropic displacement parameters for atom C1 were restrained to approximate isotropic behavior. Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table S1.

Table S1. Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details

Identification code	PPPO	H₂PPPO
Empirical formula	C ₃₄ H ₂₅ OP	C ₃₄ H ₂₇ OP
Formula weight	480.51	482.52
Temperature (K)	100(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c	P2 ₁ /c
Unit cell dimensions		
a (Å)	16.0559(6)	11.6191(6)
b (Å)	6.2918(2)	5.9902(4)
c (Å)	24.2227(10)	35.856(2)
α (°)	90	90
β (°)	92.7170(10)	90.762(4)
γ (°)	90	90
Volume (Å ³)	2444.24(16)	2495.4(3)
Z	4	4
Calcd density (g/cm ³)	1.306	1.284
μ (mm ⁻¹)	0.139	0.136
F(000)	1008	1016
Crystal size (mm)	0.1×0.05×0.05	0.1×0.05×0.05
θ range (°)	2.060-30.033	2.076-26.500
Index ranges	-22≤h≤22, -8≤k≤8, -34≤l≤30	-13≤h≤14, -7≤k≤7, -45≤l≤45
Reflections		
collected	49922	45348
independent [R_{int}]	7133 [0.0544]	5191 [0.2032]
observed	5580	2721
Completeness to θ_{max}	0.998	1.000
T _{max} / T _{min}	0.7468 / 0.7029	0.7461 / 0.6140

Restraints / parameters	7133 / 0 / 325	5191 / 6 / 325
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.096	1.041
R1 / wR2 [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	0.0543 / 0.1230	0.0879 / 0.1826
R1 / wR2 (all data)	0.0753 / 0.1378	0.1758 / 0.2302
$\Delta\rho_{\max} / \Delta\rho_{\min}$ ($\bar{e} \cdot \text{\AA}^{-3}$)	0.401 / -0.384	0.829 / -0.699
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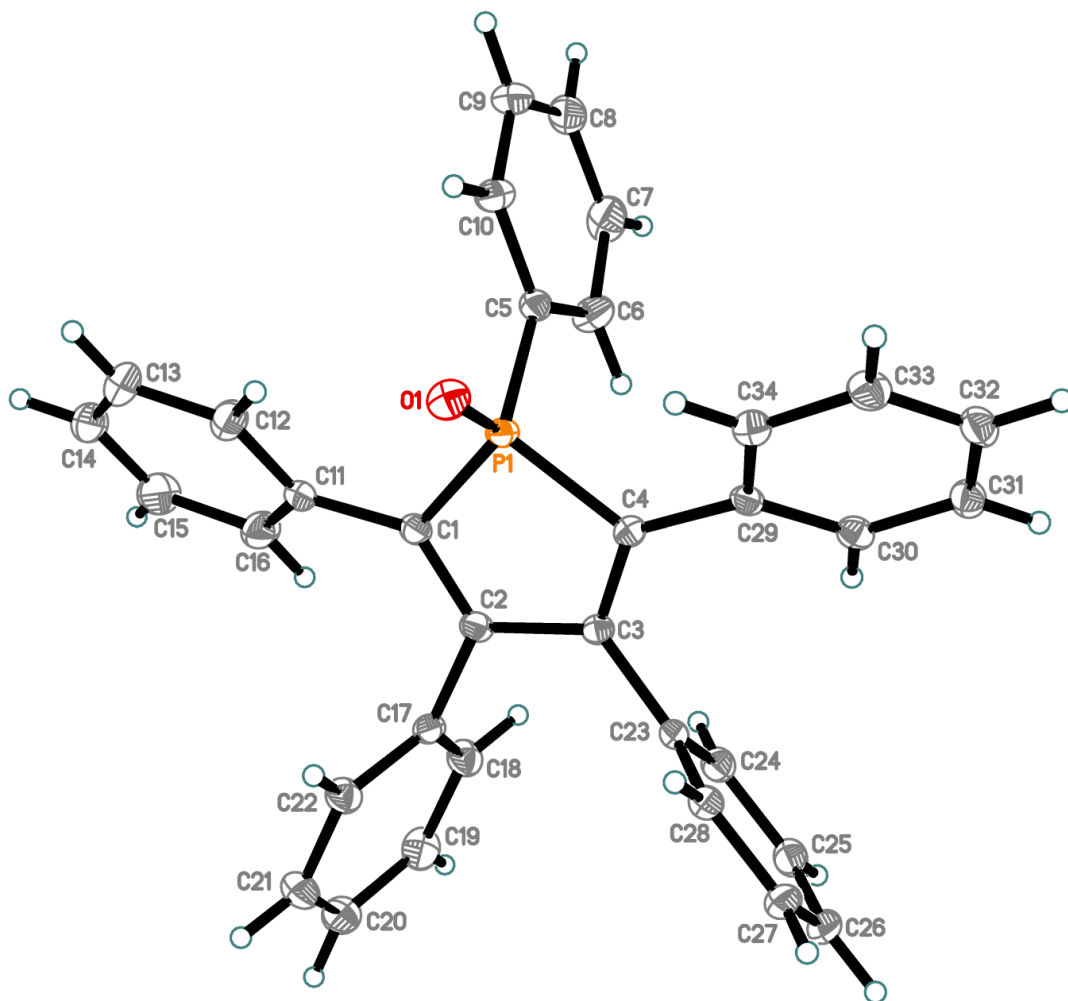


Figure S7. The molecular structure of **PPPO**. Thermal ellipsoids are set to a 50% probability level.

Table S2. Selected bond distances for **PPPO** (Å).

Atoms	Distance	Atoms	Distance	Atoms	Distance
P(1)-O(1)	1.4882(15)	C(5)-C(10)	1.399(3)	C(17)-C(22)	1.396(3)
P(1)-C(5)	1.7947(19)	C(6)-C(7)	1.389(3)	C(18)-C(19)	1.395(3)
P(1)-C(4)	1.8043(19)	C(7)-C(8)	1.387(3)	C(19)-C(20)	1.386(3)
P(1)-C(1)	1.8134(19)	C(8)-C(9)	1.380(3)	C(20)-C(21)	1.384(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.354(3)	C(9)-C(10)	1.391(3)	C(21)-C(22)	1.393(3)
C(1)-C(11)	1.471(3)	C(11)-C(16)	1.398(3)	C(23)-C(28)	1.397(3)
C(2)-C(17)	1.493(3)	C(11)-C(12)	1.406(3)	C(23)-C(24)	1.398(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.507(3)	C(12)-C(13)	1.390(3)	C(24)-C(25)	1.389(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.358(3)	C(13)-C(14)	1.380(4)	C(25)-C(26)	1.386(3)
C(3)-C(23)	1.488(3)	C(14)-C(15)	1.388(4)	C(26)-C(27)	1.383(3)
C(4)-C(29)	1.476(3)	C(15)-C(16)	1.389(3)	C(27)-C(28)	1.391(3)
C(5)-C(6)	1.393(3)	C(17)-C(18)	1.395(3)	C(29)-C(34)	1.400(3)

Table S3. Selected bond angles for **PPPO** (°).

Atoms	Angle	Atoms	Angle
O(1)-P(1)-C(5)	111.53(9)	C(16)-C(11)-C(1)	122.59(19)
O(1)-P(1)-C(4)	117.12(9)	C(12)-C(11)-C(1)	119.28(18)
C(5)-P(1)-C(4)	109.29(9)	C(13)-C(12)-C(11)	120.8(2)
O(1)-P(1)-C(1)	115.77(9)	C(14)-C(13)-C(12)	120.3(2)
C(5)-P(1)-C(1)	108.14(9)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.5(2)
C(4)-P(1)-C(1)	93.48(9)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	120.6(2)
C(2)-C(1)-C(11)	130.08(17)	C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	120.6(2)
C(2)-C(1)-P(1)	108.67(14)	C(18)-C(17)-C(22)	118.77(18)
C(11)-C(1)-P(1)	121.24(14)	C(18)-C(17)-C(2)	122.49(18)
C(1)-C(2)-C(17)	124.58(17)	C(22)-C(17)-C(2)	118.74(18)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	114.34(16)	C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	120.3(2)
C(17)-C(2)-C(3)	120.68(16)	C(20)-C(19)-C(18)	120.3(2)
C(4)-C(3)-C(23)	122.96(17)	C(21)-C(20)-C(19)	119.67(19)
C(4)-C(3)-C(2)	114.80(16)	C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	120.2(2)
C(23)-C(3)-C(2)	121.98(16)	C(21)-C(22)-C(17)	120.6(2)
C(3)-C(4)-C(29)	129.40(17)	C(28)-C(23)-C(24)	119.21(18)
C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	108.53(14)	C(28)-C(23)-C(3)	118.58(17)
C(29)-C(4)-P(1)	122.05(14)	C(24)-C(23)-C(3)	122.15(18)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)	120.10(18)	C(25)-C(24)-C(23)	119.73(19)
C(6)-C(5)-P(1)	122.74(15)	C(26)-C(25)-C(24)	120.78(19)
C(10)-C(5)-P(1)	117.12(15)	C(27)-C(26)-C(25)	119.78(19)
C(7)-C(6)-C(5)	119.4(2)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	120.06(19)
C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	120.3(2)	C(27)-C(28)-C(23)	120.44(19)
C(9)-C(8)-C(7)	120.6(2)	C(34)-C(29)-C(30)	118.73(17)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	119.7(2)	C(34)-C(29)-C(4)	118.99(17)
C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	119.8(2)	C(30)-C(29)-C(4)	122.22(17)
C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	118.07(19)	C(31)-C(30)-C(29)	120.18(18)

Table S4. Torsion angles for **PPPO** (°).

Atoms	Angle	Atoms	Angle
O(1)-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	-118.58(14)	C(1)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	177.6(2)
C(5)-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	115.47(15)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	-0.3(4)
C(4)-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	3.87(15)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	-0.1(4)
O(1)-P(1)-C(1)-C(11)	60.16(18)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	0.4(4)
C(5)-P(1)-C(1)-C(11)	-65.79(17)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	-0.2(4)
C(4)-P(1)-C(1)-C(11)	-177.39(16)	C(12)-C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	-0.2(3)

C(11)-C(1)-C(2)-C(17)	-8.8(3)	C(1)-C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	-177.3(2)
P(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(17)	169.78(15)	C(1)-C(2)-C(17)-C(18)	113.0(2)
C(11)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	178.44(19)	C(3)-C(2)-C(17)-C(18)	-74.7(2)
P(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-3.0(2)	C(1)-C(2)-C(17)-C(22)	-66.5(3)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	0.1(2)	C(3)-C(2)-C(17)-C(22)	105.8(2)
C(17)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	-172.93(17)	C(22)-C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	-1.2(3)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(23)	174.51(17)	C(2)-C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	179.28(19)
C(17)-C(2)-C(3)-C(23)	1.5(3)	C(17)-C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	-0.3(3)
C(23)-C(3)-C(4)-C(29)	7.3(3)	C(18)-C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	1.4(3)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(29)	-178.37(18)	C(19)-C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	-1.1(3)
C(23)-C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	-171.53(15)	C(20)-C(21)-C(22)-C(17)	-0.4(3)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	2.8(2)	C(18)-C(17)-C(22)-C(21)	1.5(3)
O(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	117.59(14)	C(2)-C(17)-C(22)-C(21)	-178.95(18)
C(5)-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	-114.38(14)	C(4)-C(3)-C(23)-C(28)	62.4(3)
C(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	-3.78(15)	C(2)-C(3)-C(23)-C(28)	-111.5(2)
O(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(29)	-61.35(18)	C(4)-C(3)-C(23)-C(24)	-114.6(2)
C(5)-P(1)-C(4)-C(29)	66.69(17)	C(2)-C(3)-C(23)-C(24)	71.5(2)
C(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(29)	177.28(16)	C(28)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	0.3(3)
O(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(6)	172.42(16)	C(3)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	177.32(17)
C(4)-P(1)-C(5)-C(6)	41.33(19)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	-0.2(3)
C(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(6)	-59.18(19)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	0.1(3)
O(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(10)	-9.64(18)	C(25)-C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	-0.1(3)
C(4)-P(1)-C(5)-C(10)	-140.73(15)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)-C(23)	0.2(3)
C(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(10)	118.76(16)	C(24)-C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	-0.3(3)
C(10)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	-1.9(3)	C(3)-C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	-177.42(17)
P(1)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	175.94(17)	C(3)-C(4)-C(29)-C(34)	-145.9(2)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	0.8(3)	P(1)-C(4)-C(29)-C(34)	32.8(2)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	0.9(4)	C(3)-C(4)-C(29)-C(30)	36.9(3)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	-1.5(3)	P(1)-C(4)-C(29)-C(30)	-144.42(16)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	0.3(3)	C(34)-C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	0.9(3)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	1.4(3)	C(4)-C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	178.12(17)
P(1)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	-176.61(16)	C(29)-C(30)-C(31)-C(32)	-1.1(3)
C(2)-C(1)-C(11)-C(16)	-32.6(3)	C(30)-C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	0.7(3)
P(1)-C(1)-C(11)-C(16)	148.95(17)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	-0.2(3)
C(2)-C(1)-C(11)-C(12)	150.3(2)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)-C(29)	0.1(3)
P(1)-C(1)-C(11)-C(12)	-28.1(3)	C(30)-C(29)-C(34)-C(33)	-0.4(3)
C(16)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	0.4(3)	C(4)-C(29)-C(34)-C(33)	-177.73(18)

Table S5. Atom deviations from the flat PC₄ cycle (atoms P1, C1..C4) in **PPPO** (Å).

Atom	P1	C1	C2	C3	C4
Deviation*	-0.0245(8)	0.0249(11)	-0.0129(12)	-0.0117(12)	0.0242(11)

* +/- signs state for deviations in different directions.

Table S6. Dihedral angle between the PC₄ and Ph planes in **PPPO** (°).

Phenyl	C11..C16	C17..C22	C23..C28	C29..C34
Deviation	30.633(83)	70.406(59)	65.859(65)	34.927(68)

The structure of H₂PPPO

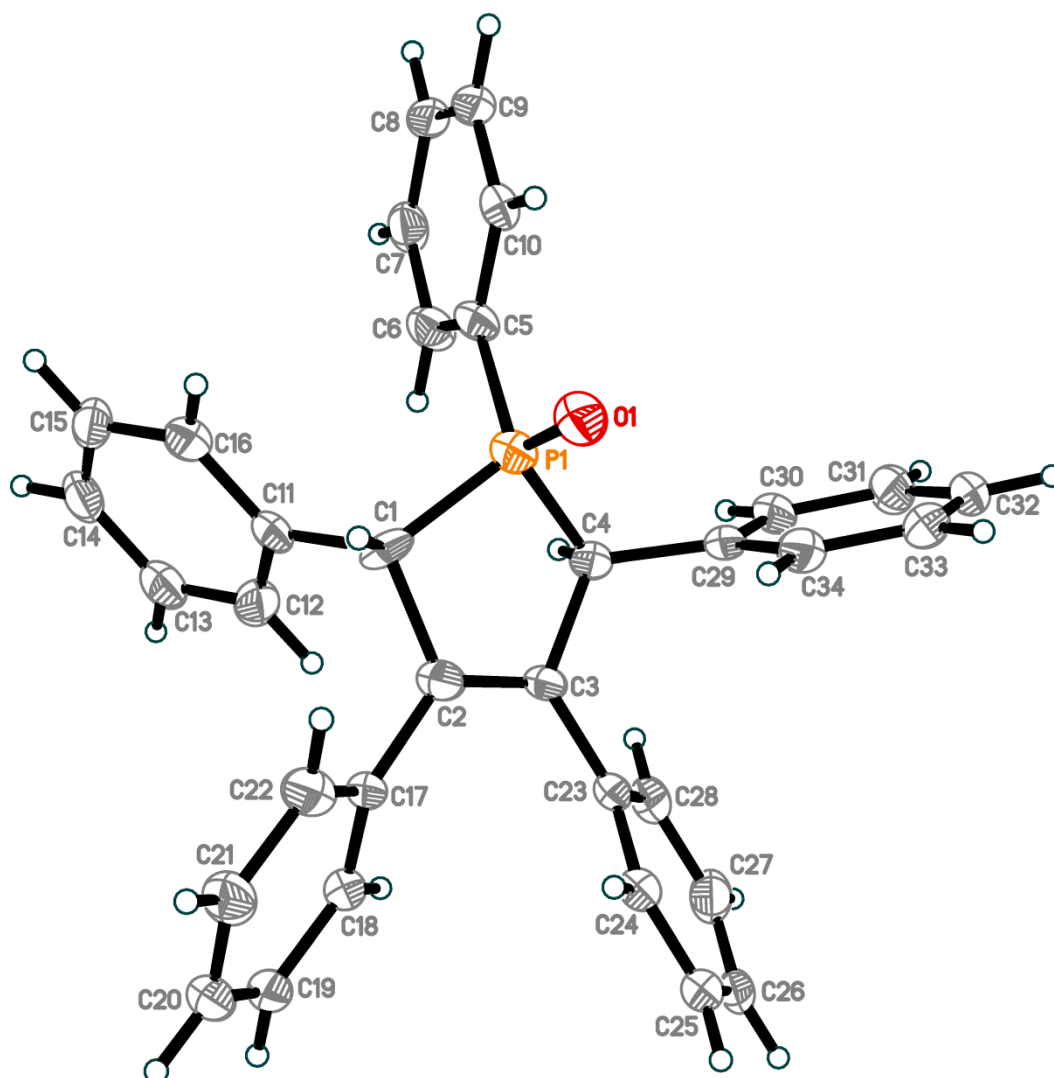


Figure S8. The molecular structure of **H₂PPPO**. Thermal ellipsoids are set to a 50% probability level.

Table S7. Selected bond distances for **H₂PPPO** (Å).

Atoms	Distance	Atoms	Distance	Atoms	Distance
P(1)-O(1)	1.489(4)	C(6)-C(7)	1.392(7)	C(19)-C(20)	1.376(8)
P(1)-C(1)	1.761(5)	C(7)-C(8)	1.376(7)	C(20)-C(21)	1.374(7)
P(1)-C(5)	1.795(5)	C(8)-C(9)	1.373(8)	C(21)-C(22)	1.400(7)
P(1)-C(4)	1.837(5)	C(9)-C(10)	1.384(7)	C(23)-C(28)	1.386(8)
C(1)-C(2)	1.544(6)	C(11)-C(12)	1.380(8)	C(23)-C(24)	1.394(7)
C(1)-C(11)	1.576(7)	C(11)-C(16)	1.394(7)	C(24)-C(25)	1.370(7)
C(2)-C(3)	1.346(7)	C(12)-C(13)	1.390(7)	C(25)-C(26)	1.383(9)
C(2)-C(17)	1.495(6)	C(13)-C(14)	1.385(8)	C(26)-C(27)	1.390(9)
C(3)-C(23)	1.479(7)	C(14)-C(15)	1.360(9)	C(27)-C(28)	1.390(7)
C(3)-C(4)	1.539(6)	C(15)-C(16)	1.402(8)	C(29)-C(30)	1.384(7)
C(4)-C(29)	1.516(6)	C(17)-C(18)	1.389(7)	C(29)-C(34)	1.390(7)
C(5)-C(6)	1.391(8)	C(17)-C(22)	1.393(8)	C(30)-C(31)	1.392(7)
C(5)-C(10)	1.396(7)	C(18)-C(19)	1.394(6)	C(31)-C(32)	1.390(8)

Table S8. Selected bond angles for **H₂PPPO** (°).

Atoms	Angle	Atoms	Angle
O(1)-P(1)-C(1)	109.2(2)	C(12)-C(11)-C(1)	122.2(5)
O(1)-P(1)-C(5)	112.3(2)	C(16)-C(11)-C(1)	119.1(5)
C(1)-P(1)-C(5)	114.2(2)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	121.3(5)
O(1)-P(1)-C(4)	115.6(2)	C(14)-C(13)-C(12)	119.3(6)
C(1)-P(1)-C(4)	95.5(2)	C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	120.5(6)
C(5)-P(1)-C(4)	109.0(3)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	120.4(5)
C(2)-C(1)-C(11)	110.4(4)	C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	119.9(6)
C(2)-C(1)-P(1)	103.5(3)	C(18)-C(17)-C(22)	118.3(4)
C(11)-C(1)-P(1)	117.4(3)	C(18)-C(17)-C(2)	122.1(5)
C(3)-C(2)-C(17)	126.9(5)	C(22)-C(17)-C(2)	119.5(5)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	114.9(4)	C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	120.6(5)
C(17)-C(2)-C(1)	118.1(4)	C(20)-C(19)-C(18)	120.4(5)
C(2)-C(3)-C(23)	126.2(4)	C(21)-C(20)-C(19)	120.0(5)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	115.8(4)	C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	119.8(5)
C(23)-C(3)-C(4)	118.0(4)	C(17)-C(22)-C(21)	120.8(5)
C(29)-C(4)-C(3)	117.1(4)	C(28)-C(23)-C(24)	118.0(5)
C(29)-C(4)-P(1)	113.2(4)	C(28)-C(23)-C(3)	120.0(5)
C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	101.1(3)	C(24)-C(23)-C(3)	122.0(5)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)	119.7(5)	C(25)-C(24)-C(23)	121.8(6)
C(6)-C(5)-P(1)	124.6(4)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	119.8(6)

C(10)-C(5)-P(1)	115.6(4)	C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	119.9(5)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	119.5(5)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	119.6(6)
C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	120.8(5)	C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	121.0(6)
C(9)-C(8)-C(7)	119.4(5)	C(30)-C(29)-C(34)	118.7(4)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	121.3(5)	C(30)-C(29)-C(4)	120.2(5)
C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	119.3(6)	C(34)-C(29)-C(4)	121.0(5)
C(12)-C(11)-C(16)	118.7(5)	C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	121.3(5)

Table S9. Torsion angles for **H₂PPPO** (°).

Atoms	Angle	Atoms	Angle
O(1)-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	-92.6(4)	C(1)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	-179.0(4)
C(5)-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	140.7(3)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	0.3(8)
C(4)-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	26.9(4)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	0.1(8)
O(1)-P(1)-C(1)-C(11)	145.5(4)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	-0.5(8)
C(5)-P(1)-C(1)-C(11)	18.8(5)	C(12)-C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	0.1(7)
C(4)-P(1)-C(1)-C(11)	-94.9(4)	C(1)-C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	178.7(4)
C(11)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	107.0(5)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	0.4(8)
P(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-19.5(6)	C(3)-C(2)-C(17)-C(18)	-44.4(8)
C(11)-C(1)-C(2)-C(17)	-68.9(6)	C(1)-C(2)-C(17)-C(18)	130.8(5)
P(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(17)	164.7(4)	C(3)-C(2)-C(17)-C(22)	139.3(6)
C(17)-C(2)-C(3)-C(23)	-3.6(9)	C(1)-C(2)-C(17)-C(22)	-45.4(7)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(23)	-179.0(5)	C(22)-C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	-0.8(7)
C(17)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	174.3(5)	C(2)-C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	-177.1(4)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	-1.1(7)	C(17)-C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	0.3(7)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(29)	143.4(5)	C(18)-C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	-0.2(8)
C(23)-C(3)-C(4)-C(29)	-38.5(7)	C(19)-C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	0.6(8)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	20.0(5)	C(18)-C(17)-C(22)-C(21)	1.2(8)
C(23)-C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	-161.9(4)	C(2)-C(17)-C(22)-C(21)	177.6(5)
O(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(29)	-38.8(4)	C(20)-C(21)-C(22)-C(17)	-1.1(8)
C(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(29)	-153.1(4)	C(2)-C(3)-C(23)-C(28)	135.1(6)
C(5)-P(1)-C(4)-C(29)	88.8(4)	C(4)-C(3)-C(23)-C(28)	-42.7(6)
O(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	87.3(3)	C(2)-C(3)-C(23)-C(24)	-45.3(8)
C(1)-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	-27.1(4)	C(4)-C(3)-C(23)-C(24)	136.9(5)
C(5)-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	-145.1(3)	C(28)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	-0.6(7)
O(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(6)	173.4(4)	C(3)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	179.8(4)
C(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(6)	-61.6(5)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	0.4(8)
C(4)-P(1)-C(5)-C(6)	43.9(5)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	-0.1(8)
O(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(10)	-6.1(5)	C(25)-C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	0.1(8)

C(1)-P(1)-C(5)-C(10)	119.0(4)	C(24)-C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	0.5(7)
C(4)-P(1)-C(5)-C(10)	-135.6(4)	C(3)-C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	-179.9(4)
C(10)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	-0.7(7)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)-C(23)	-0.3(7)
P(1)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	179.9(4)	C(3)-C(4)-C(29)-C(30)	124.7(5)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	0.4(8)	P(1)-C(4)-C(29)-C(30)	-118.3(5)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	-0.1(8)	C(3)-C(4)-C(29)-C(34)	-58.5(7)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	0.1(7)	P(1)-C(4)-C(29)-C(34)	58.5(5)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	-0.4(7)	C(34)-C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	-1.2(7)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	0.7(7)	C(4)-C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	175.6(5)
P(1)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	-179.8(4)	C(29)-C(30)-C(31)-C(32)	0.1(8)
C(2)-C(1)-C(11)-C(12)	-21.4(6)	C(30)-C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	1.2(8)
P(1)-C(1)-C(11)-C(12)	96.8(5)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	-1.3(8)
C(2)-C(1)-C(11)-C(16)	160.0(4)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)-C(29)	0.3(8)
P(1)-C(1)-C(11)-C(16)	-81.8(5)	C(30)-C(29)-C(34)-C(33)	1.0(7)
C(16)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	-0.5(7)	C(4)-C(29)-C(34)-C(33)	-175.8(4)

Table S10. Atoms deviations from the plane defined by atoms C1..C4, C17 and C23 in **PPPO** (Å).

Atom	C1	C2	C3	C4	C17	C23
Deviation*	-0.0129(33)	-0.0310(47)	-0.0192(46)	0.0362(34)	0.0369(31)	-0.0100(31)

* +/- signs state for deviations in different directions.

The dihedral angles for the planes defined by atoms C1..C4, C17, C23 and Ph rings are 45.45(19)° for Ph=C17..C22, 45.41(17)° for Ph=C23..C28.

Noncovalent packing effects do not seem to influence the structures – only a few negligible intermolecular interactions are observed: C-HPh··H-CPh, C-HPh··CPh, C-HPh··O for H₂PPPO/H₂PPPO, and C4-H4··O for H₂PPPO. Therefore, the structures H₂PPPO and H₂PPPO are nearly unperturbed by the intermolecular interactions in the crystalline state.

Theoretical Calculations

Geometry optimization for PPP, PPPO and H₂PPPO and vibrational frequency calculations were performed using the B3LYP^{8,9,10} hybrid functional and 6-31+G(d)^{11,12,13,14,15} basis set, the D3 version of Grimme's dispersion with Becke-Johnson damping (GD3BJ)^{16,17} and the polarizable continuum model of MeCN in Gaussian16¹⁸. For all optimized structures, all frequencies of the vibrational spectrum were positive.

The calculated absorption and emission peaks of PPP, PPPO and H₂PPPO by means of the time-dependent density functional theory (TDDFT) method and the ω B97X-D¹⁹/def2SVP²⁰ scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm)^{21,22} level agree well with the experimental results. Natural-transition-orbital (NTO)²³ calculations were performed for the first three transitions.

To analyze the degree of aromaticity of the five-membered P-heterocycles of the phosphole, H₂PPPO, PPPO and PPP molecules, the HOMA (Harmonic Oscillator Model of Aromaticity)^{24,25} values were calculated using the MultiWFN software package²⁶. Preliminarily the molecular structure of all compounds was optimized by the B3LYP method in combination with the 6-31+G(d) basis set. Since the H₂PPPO, PPPO, and PPP molecules contain a large number of phenyl groups actively participating in the stacking interaction, the empirical D3BJ corrections were used to more accurately describe the dispersion interaction. The effect of the solvent on the molecular structure of the compounds was taken into account using the PCM continuum model (solvent - acetonitrile).

Another parameter used in this work to quantify aromaticity is NICS(0) (Nucleus-Independent Chemical Shifts)²⁷ which characterizes the degree of shielding at a point located within the five-membered cycle. As such a point, we chose a cyclic critical point of the type (3; +1), localized as a result of the analysis of the topology of the total electron density in the framework of the quantum theory of atoms in molecules (QTAIM)²⁸. QTAIM analysis was performed by AIMAll software²⁹. The calculation of the NICS(0) values was performed for the optimized structures in the same B3LYP/6-31+G(d) D3BJ level of theory that was used to calculate the HOMA values.

1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenylphosphole (PPP)

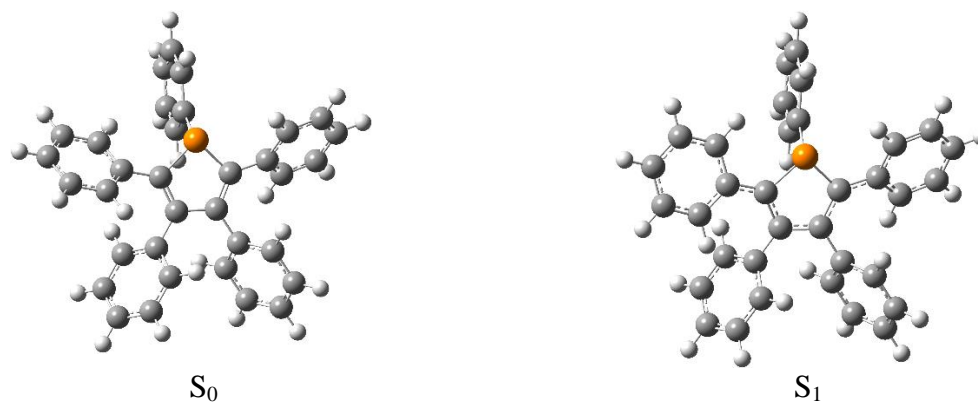


Figure S9. Optimized geometry of PPP S_0 and S_1 .

Table S11. Oscillator strength of PPP.

Excitation. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Emission. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Experiment
	3) 255 nm (0.23) 2) 277 nm (0.31) 1) 330 nm (0.25)		3) 304 nm (0.42) 2) 328 nm (0.28) 1) 513 nm (0.53)	Absorption: 217 nm, 257 nm, 360 nm Emission: 473 nm
Excited State 1:	330.00 nm f=0.2490 122 ->123 0.68379	Excited State 1:	512.80 nm f=0.5337 122 ->123 0.69666	
Excited State 2:	277.23 nm f=0.3137 112 ->123 0.10275 119 ->123 -0.20863 120 ->123 -0.22180 121 ->123 0.59336	Excited State 2:	328.03 nm f=0.2803 112 ->123 0.14145 114 ->123 -0.10049 120 ->123 -0.40468 121 ->123 0.50491	
Excited State 3:	254.71 nm f=0.2259 119 ->123 0.14195	Excited State 3:	304.21 nm f=0.4160 120 ->123 0.42136	

	120 ->123	0.44202		121 ->123	0.41898	
	121 ->123	0.26588		122 ->124	0.28603	
	122 ->124	0.30335		122 ->125	0.16412	
	122 ->125	0.22919				
	122 ->127	0.10115				

NTO analysis

for optimized geometry of PPP:

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

Density=(Check,Transition=1)

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126	□	0.00316
125	□	0.00859
124	□	0.01431
123	□	0.97407
122	↑↓	0.97407
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120	↑↓	0.00859
119	↑↓	0.00316
118	↑↓	0.00233

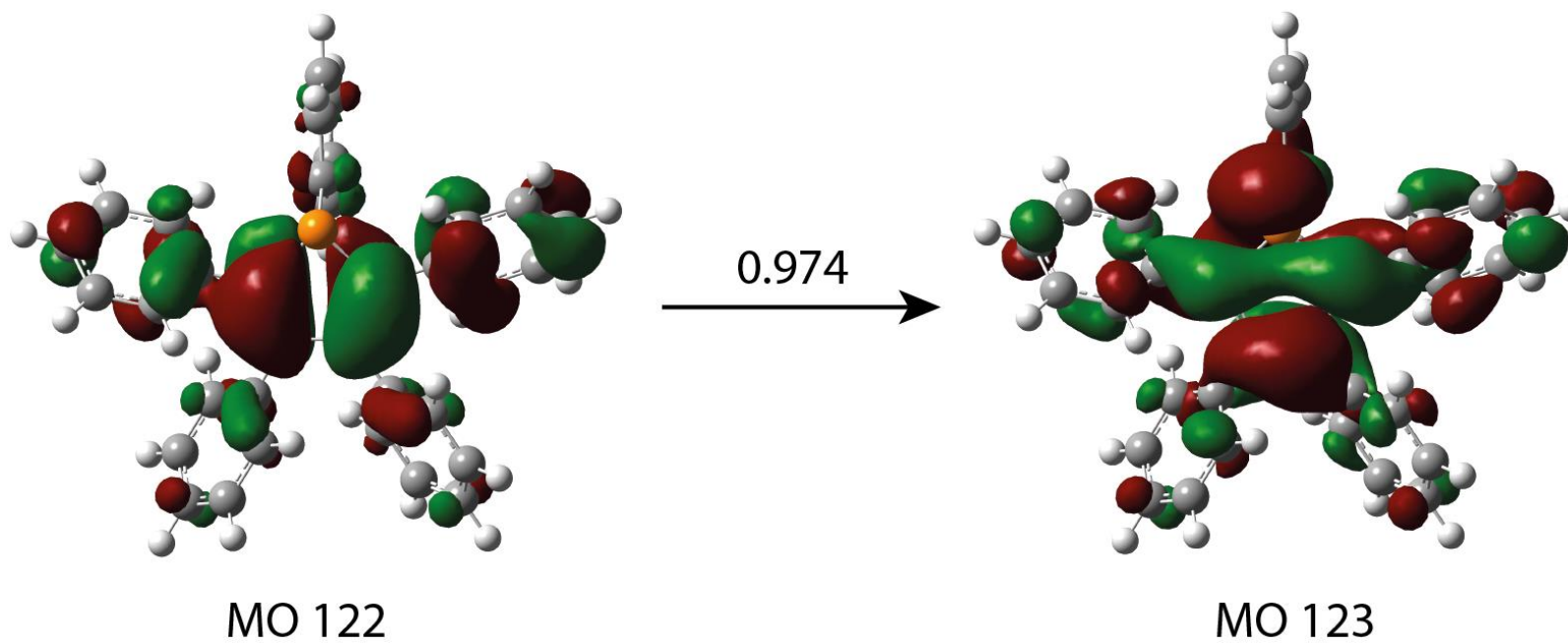


Figure S10. Molecular orbitals of PPP.

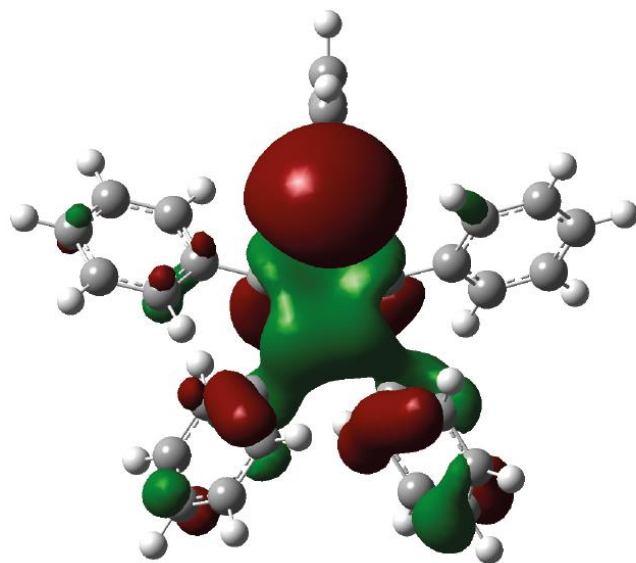
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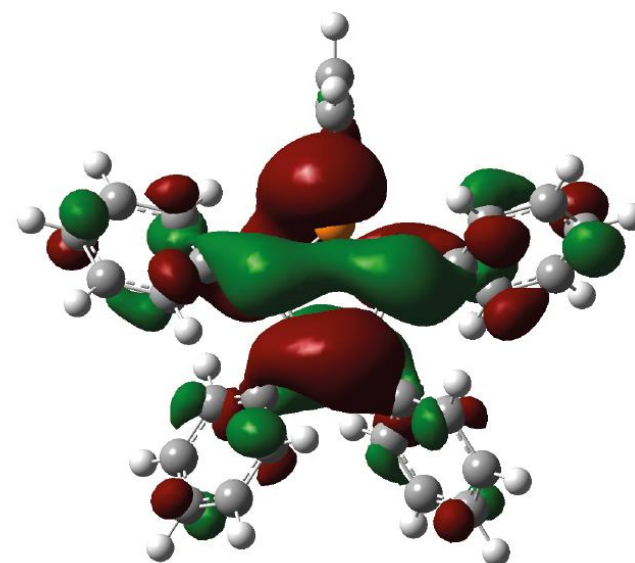
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126	□	0.00500
125	□	0.00694
124	□	0.01582
123	□	0.96661
122	↑↓	0.96661
121	↑↓	0.01582
120	↑↓	0.00694
119	↑↓	0.00500
118	↑↓	0.00372



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0.967
→



MO 123

Figure S11. Molecular orbitals of PPP.

for optimized geometry of PPP:

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

Density=(Check,Transition=3)

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126	□	0.01001
125	□	0.01297
124	□	0.33085
123	□	0.62319
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120	↑↓	0.01297
119	↑↓	0.01001

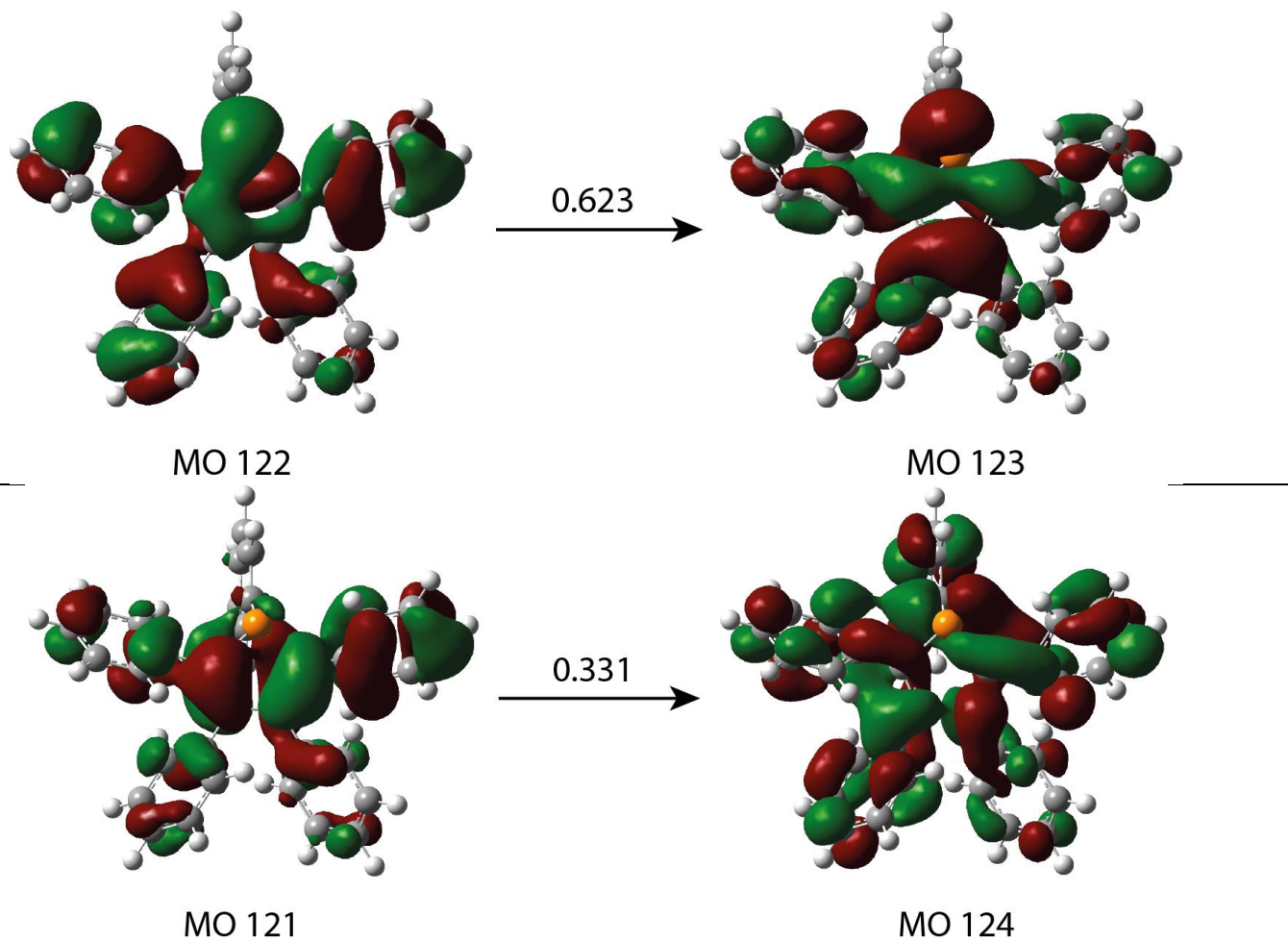


Figure S12. Molecular orbitals of PPP.

1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenylphospholoxide (PPPO)

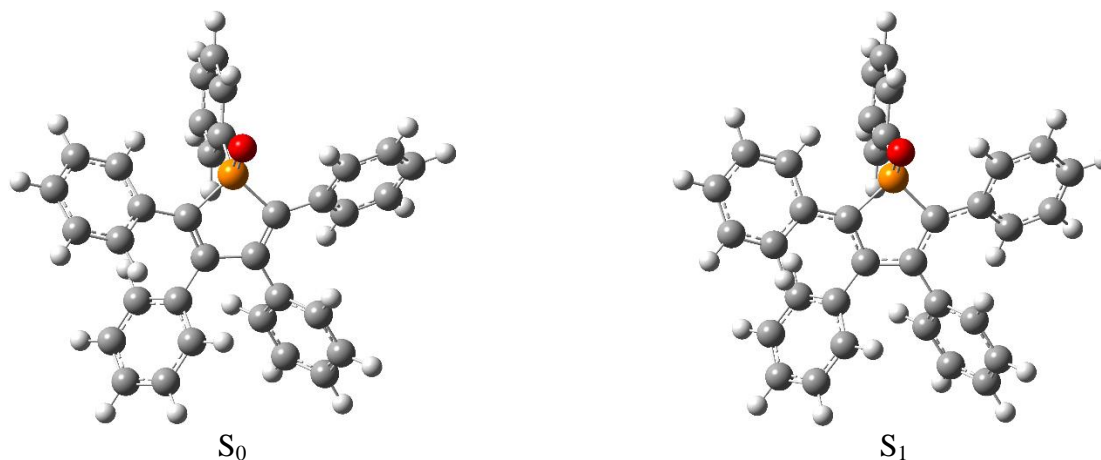


Figure S13. Optimized geometry of PPPO S_0 and S_1 .

Table S12. Oscillator strength of PPPO.

Excitation. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Emission. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Experiment
	3) 279 nm (0.07) 2) 283 nm (0.29) 1) 368 nm (0.23)		3) 326 nm (0.03) 2) 342 nm (0.45) 1) 588 nm (0.39)	Absorption: 205 nm, 257 nm, 380 nm Emission: 539 nm
Excited State 1:	367.50 nm f=0.2267 126 ->127 0.68372	Excited State 1:	587.52 nm f=0.3878 126 ->127 -0.69648	
Excited State 2:	282.83 nm f=0.2887 124 ->127 -0.18105 125 ->127 0.63707	Excited State 2:	342.39 nm f=0.4526 125 ->127 0.68359	
Excited State 3:	279.09 nm f=0.0745 114 ->127 -0.10673	Excited State 3:	326.36 nm f=0.0282 115 ->127 -0.28683	

	115 ->127	-0.20874		119 ->127	-0.32418	
	120 ->127	-0.23255		121 ->127	-0.12111	
	122 ->127	-0.21724		122 ->127	0.38558	
	124 ->127	0.48302		124 ->127	0.31186	
	125 ->127	0.23151				

NTO analysis

for the optimized geometry of PPPO:

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

Density=(Check,Transition=1)

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130	□	0.00228
129	□	0.00394
128	□	0.01137
127	□	0.98433
126	↑↓	0.98433
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124	↑↓	0.00394
123	↑↓	0.00228
122	↑↓	0.00156

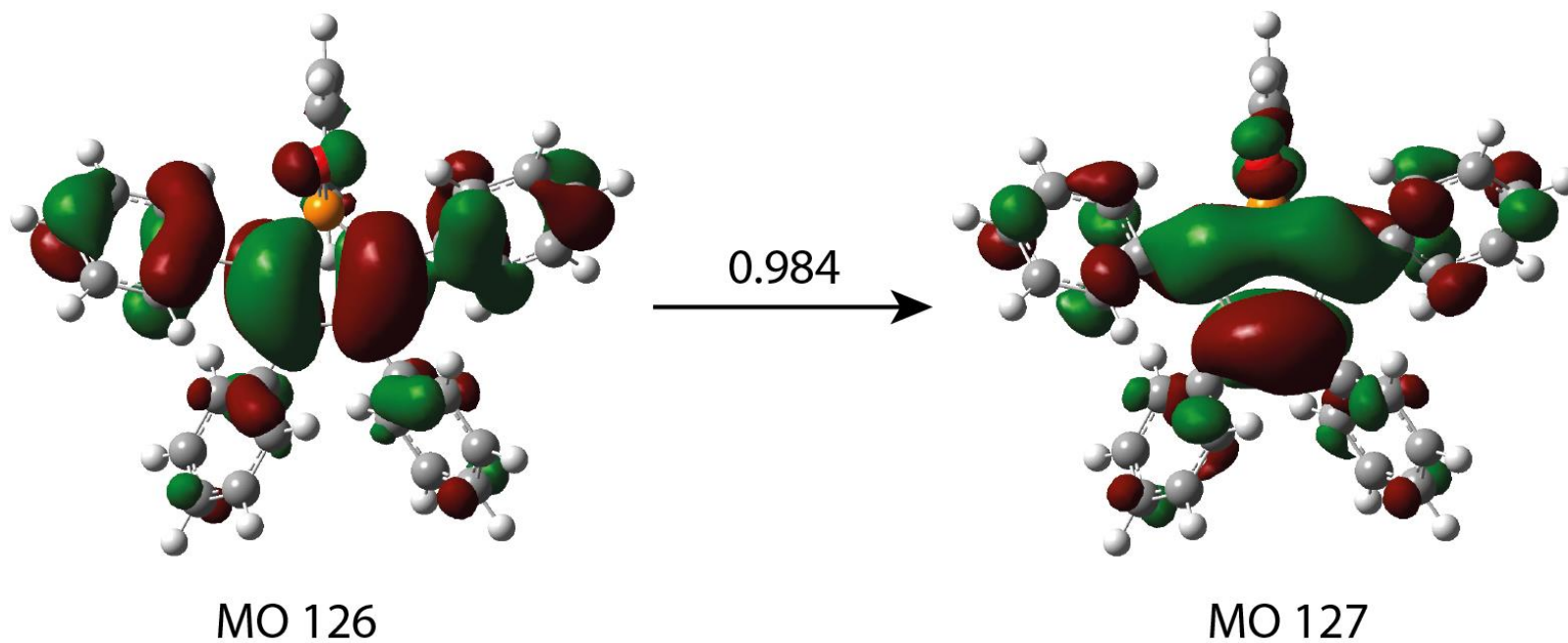


Figure S14. Molecular orbitals of PPPO.

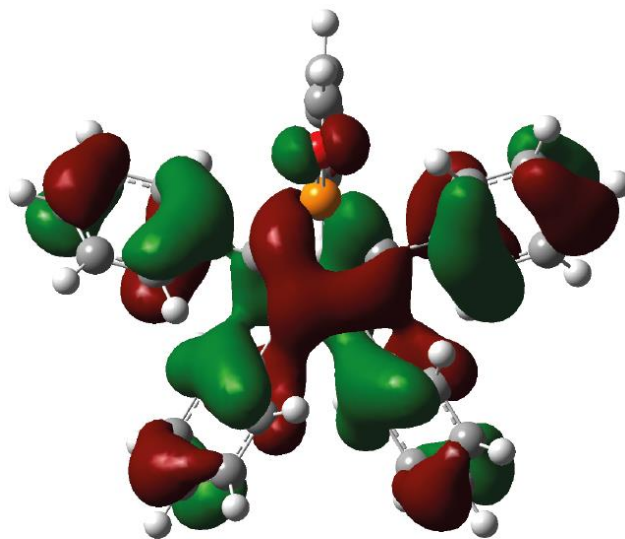
for the optimized geometry of PPPO:

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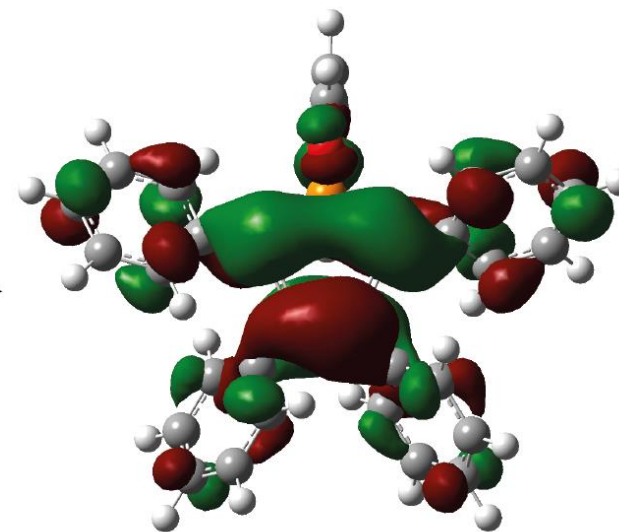
Density=(Check,Transition=2)

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129	□	0.00456
128	□	0.04664
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126	↑↓	0.94195
125	↑↓	0.04664
124	↑↓	0.00456
123	↑↓	0.00222
122	↑↓	0.00193



MO 126

0.942



MO 127

Figure S15. Molecular orbitals of PPPO.

for the optimized geometry of PPPO:

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

Density=(Check,Transition=3)

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130	□	0.00261
129	□	0.00515
128	□	0.01453
127	□	0.97374
126	↑↓	0.97374
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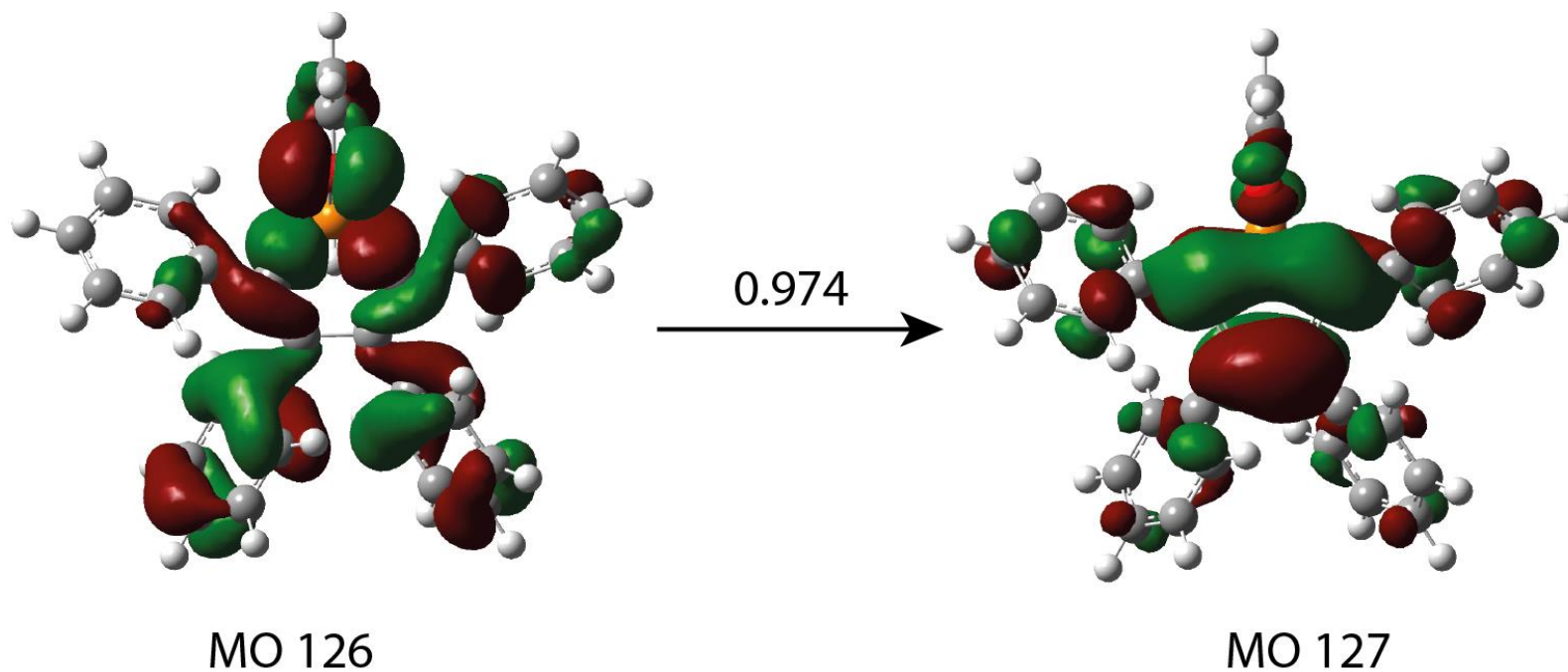


Figure S16. Molecular orbitals of PPPO.

1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenyl-2,5-dihydrophosphole-1-oxide (H₂PPPO)

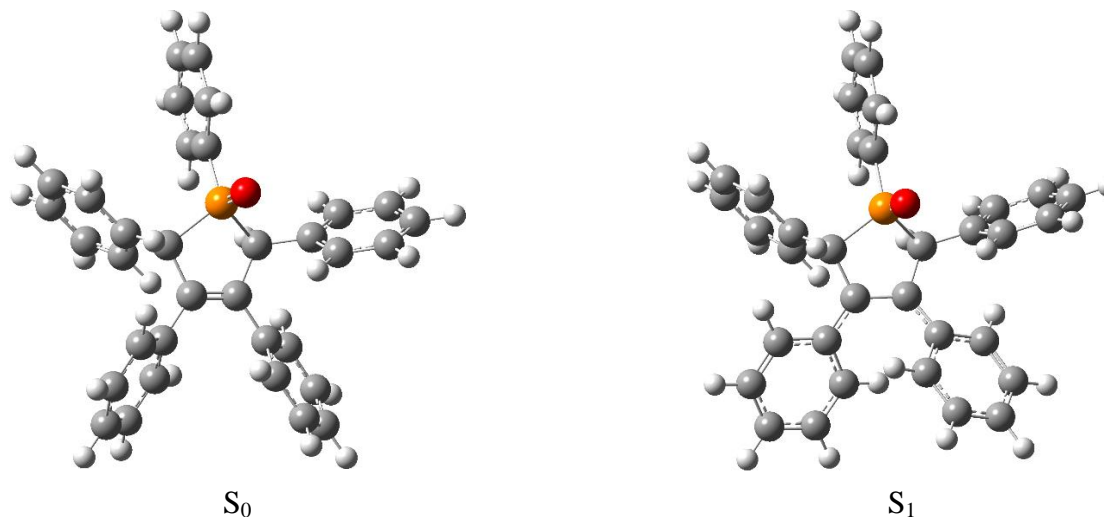
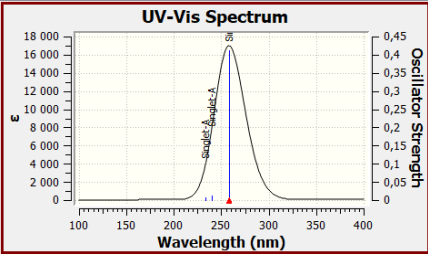
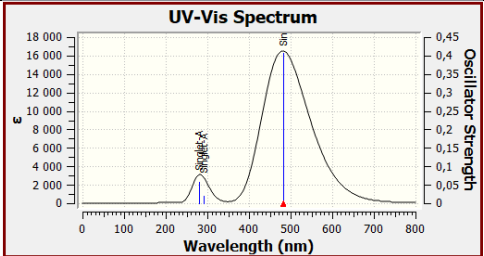


Figure S17. Optimized geometry of H₂PPPO S_0 and S_1 .

Table S13. Oscillator strength of H₂PPPO.

Excitation. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Emission. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Experiment
	3) 234 nm (0.01) 2) 240 nm (0.01) 1) 258 nm (0.41)		3) 279 nm (0.06) 2) 291 nm (0.02) 1) 481 nm (0.41)	Absorption: 225 nm, 257 nm Emission: 429 nm
Excited State 1:	258.46 nm f=0.4115 127 ->128 0.64650 127 ->129 -0.20960	Excited State 1:	481.15 nm f=0.4067 127 ->128 0.70127	
Excited State 2:	239.51 nm f=0.0125 121 ->133 0.13167 121 ->136 0.12634	Excited State 2:	291.43 nm f=0.0212 122 ->128 -0.12802 123 ->128 -0.14661	

	122 ->128 0.14772 123 ->128 0.15856 124 ->128 0.26491 124 ->129 -0.11284 127 ->130 0.33873 127 ->131 -0.10945 127 ->134 0.20655 127 ->135 0.14080		124 ->128 0.44475 125 ->128 0.19098 126 ->128 -0.19351 127 ->130 -0.28241 127 ->131 0.18143 127 ->132 -0.10199 127 ->135 -0.14062	
Excited State 3:	233.69 nm f=0.0075 118 ->128 -0.15291 119 ->128 0.13546 121 ->128 0.25817 121 ->130 0.11822 121 ->134 0.11154 122 ->134 0.10192 124 ->136 0.11603 126 ->128 0.14145 127 ->132 -0.10099 127 ->133 0.21767 127 ->135 0.14593 127 ->136 0.10948 127 ->137 0.20497	Excited State 3:	279.27 nm f=0.0579 124 ->128 0.17295 126 ->128 0.63328	

NTO analysis

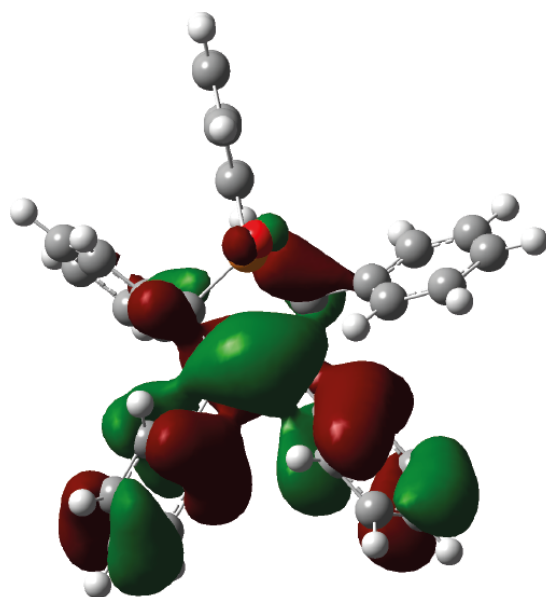
for the optimized geometry of H_2PPPO :

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

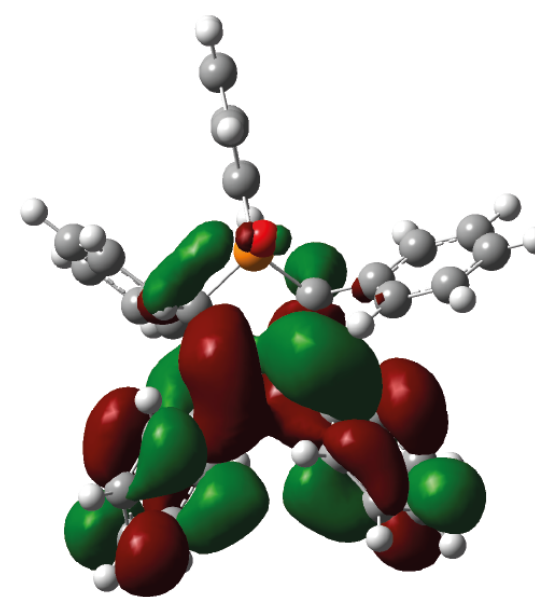
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132	□	0.00203
131	□	0.00294
130	□	0.00541
129	□	0.01677
128	□	0.96914
127	↑↓	0.96914
126	↑↓	0.01677
125	↑↓	0.00541
124	↑↓	0.00294
123	↑↓	0.00203



MO 127

0.969
→

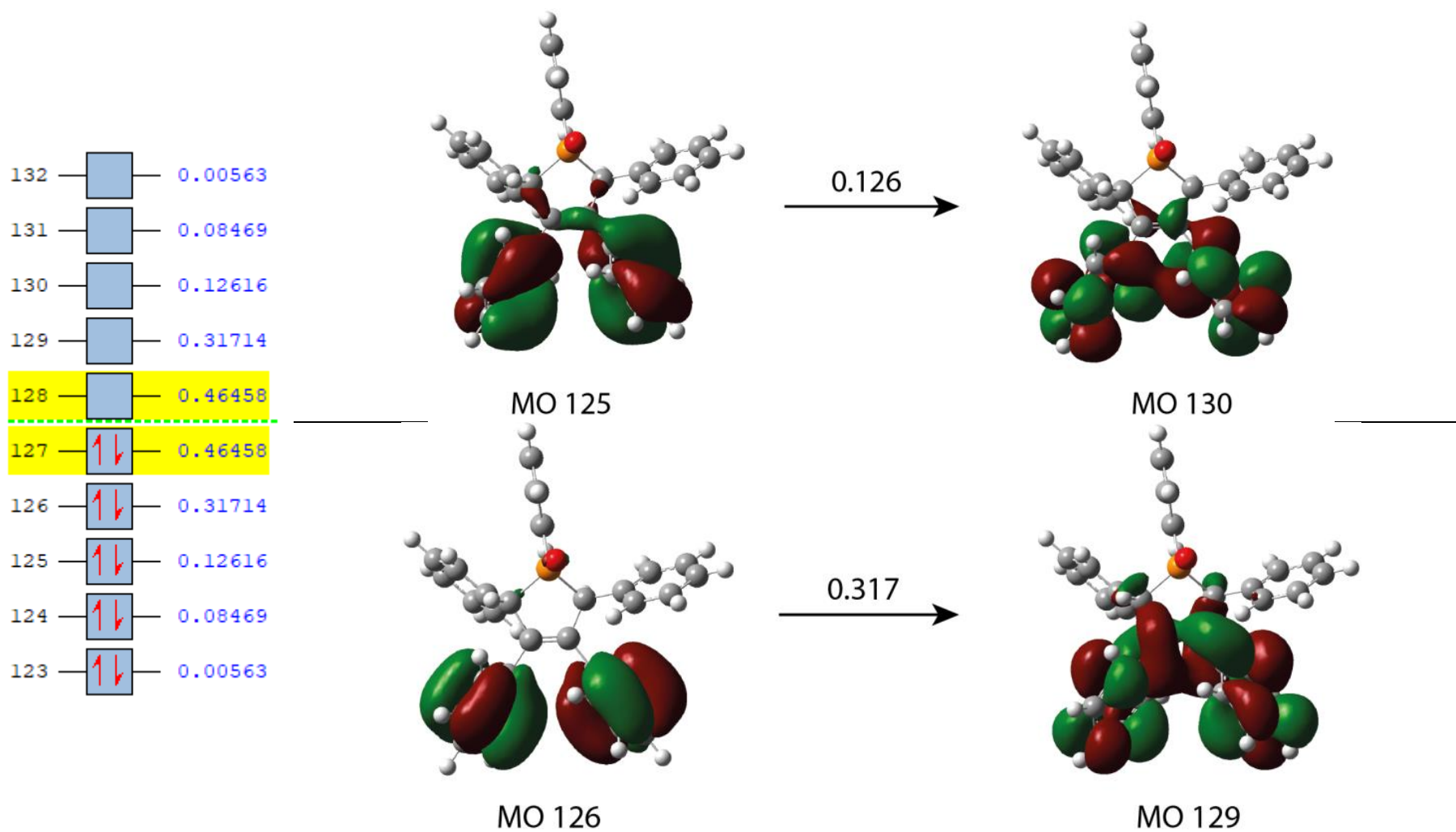


MO 128

Figure S18. Molecular orbitals of H_2PPPO .

for the optimized geometry of H₂PPPO:

- 1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp
- 2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)
Density=(Check,Transition=2)



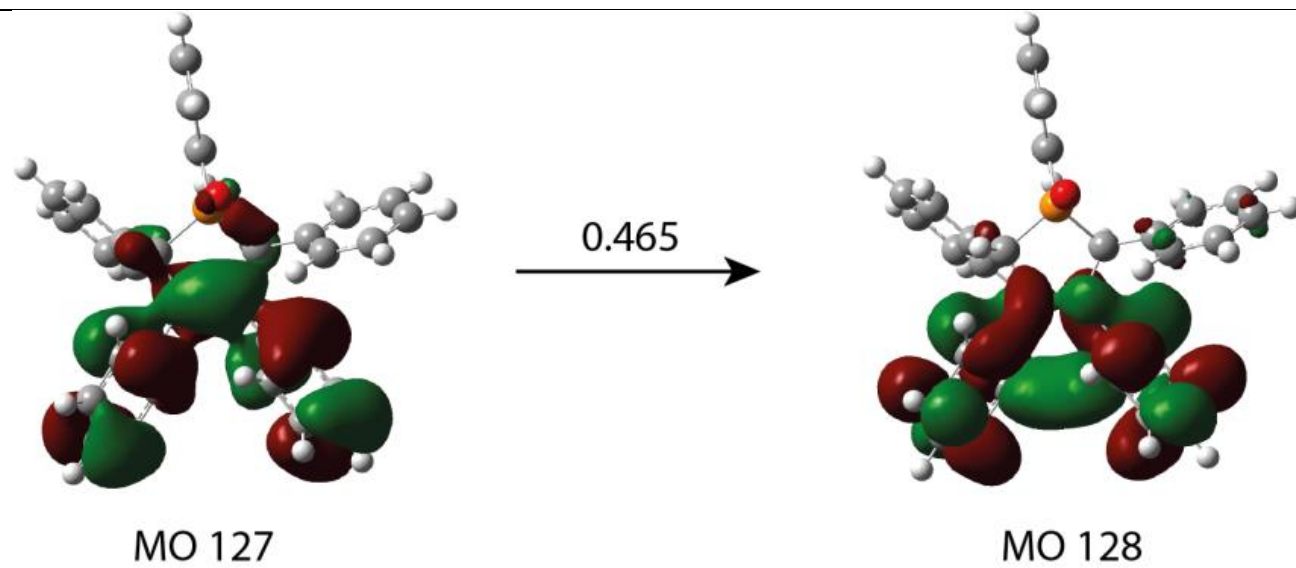


Figure S19. Molecular orbitals of H₂PPPO.

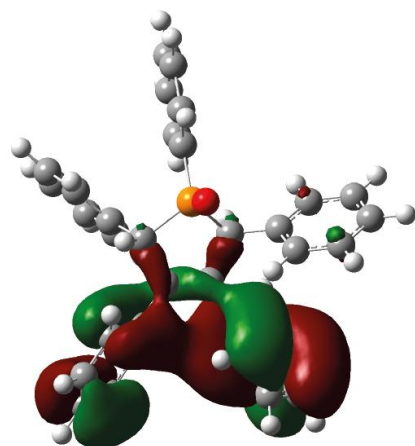
for the optimized geometry of H₂PPPO:

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

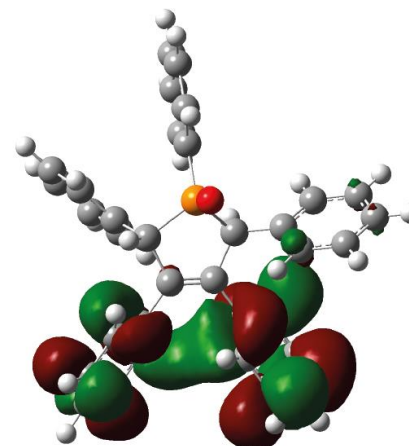
Density=(Check,Transition=3)

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131	□	0.13949
130	□	0.15398
129	□	0.30436
128	□	0.36383
127	↑↓	0.36383
126	↑↓	0.30436
125	↑↓	0.15398
124	↑↓	0.13949
123	↑↓	0.01412

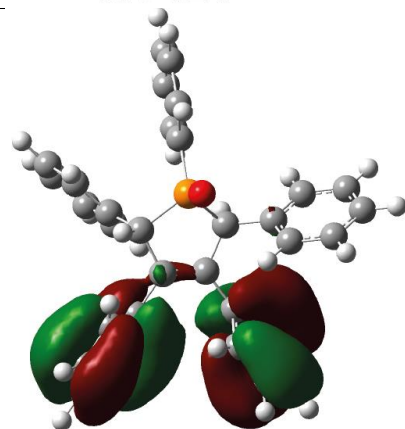


MO 124

0.140

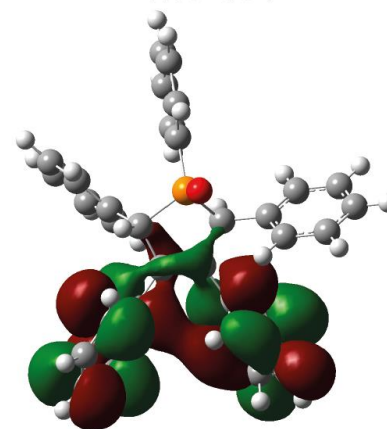


MO 131



MO 125

0.154



MO 130

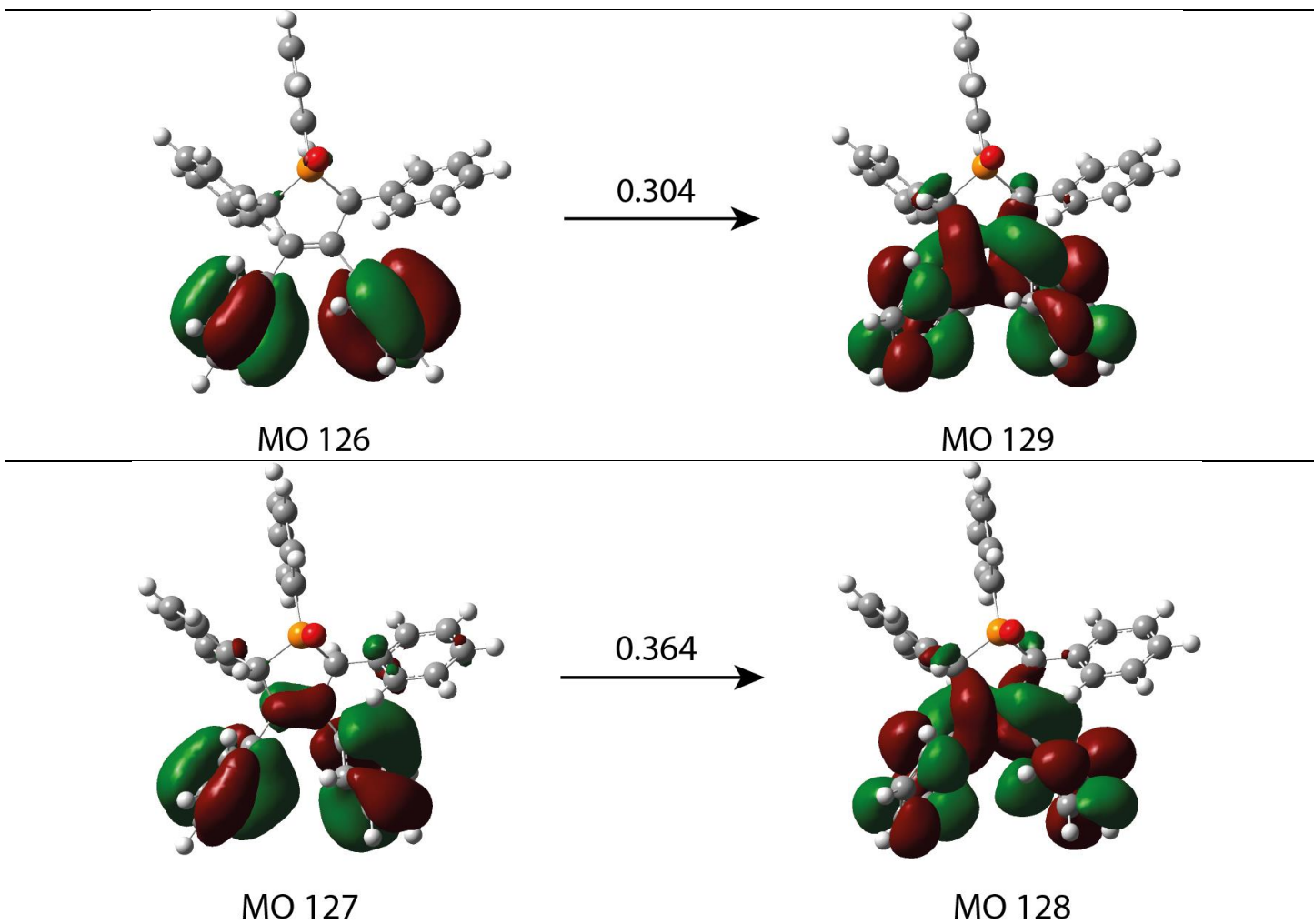


Figure S20. Molecular orbitals of H₂PPPO.

1,2,3,4,5-pentaphenyl-2,5-dihydrophosphole (H₂PPP)

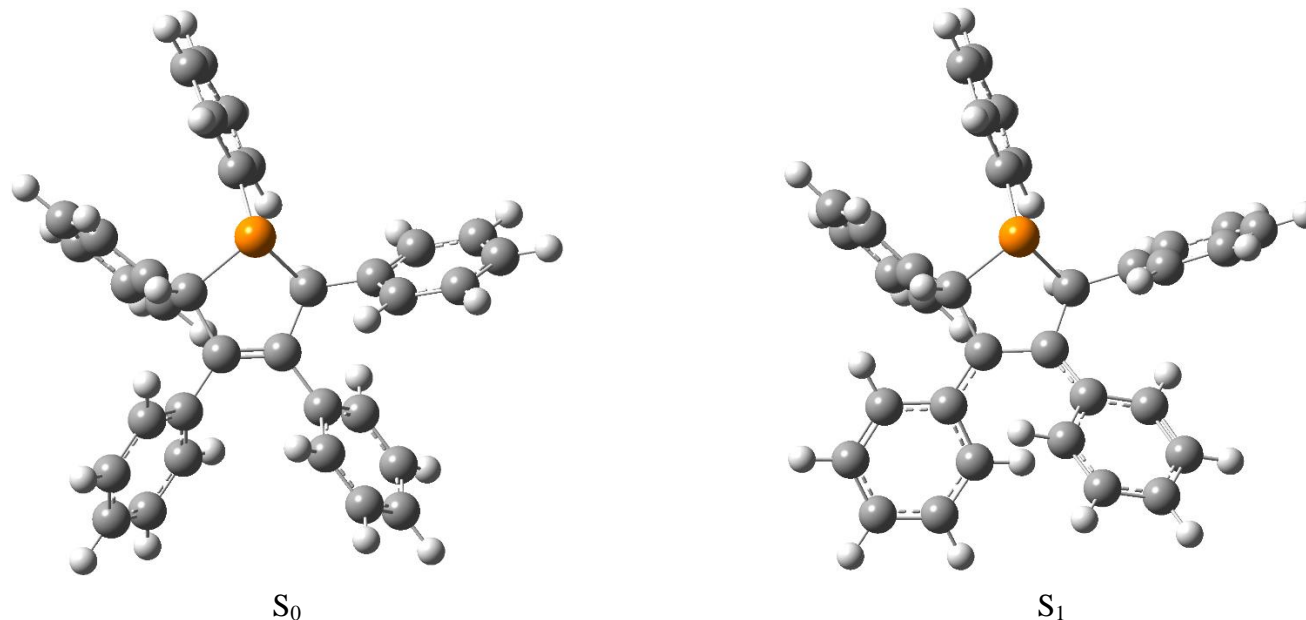


Figure S21. Optimized geometry of H₂PPP S_0 and S_1 .

Table S14. Oscillator strength of H₂PPP.

Excitation. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)		Emission. UV-Vis spectrum, λ (oscillator strength)	
	3) 293 nm (0.02) 2) 246 nm (0.20) 1) 260 nm (0.26)		3) 290 nm (0.01) 2) 300 nm (0.01) 1) 484 nm (0.40)
Excited State 1:	260.42 nm f=0.2596	Excited State 1:	484.43 nm f=0.3995

	122 ->124 -0.11483 122 ->125 -0.11089 123 ->124 0.65172		123 ->124 0.70133
Excited State 2:	246.47 nm f=0.1957 121 ->124 -0.13979 122 ->124 0.52072 122 ->125 0.29385 123 ->124 0.14940 123 ->125 -0.14199	Excited State 2:	300.26 nm f=0.0030 115 ->124 0.10152 121 ->124 -0.17201 122 ->124 0.63942
Excited State 3:	239.03 nm f=0.0169 114 ->133 0.13038 116 ->130 -0.14077 117 ->124 0.13098 118 ->124 -0.27113 119 ->124 0.11717 123 ->125 0.10108 123 ->126 0.33906 123 ->129 0.20627 123 ->130 0.14452 123 ->132 0.10853	Excited State 3:	289.68 nm f=0.0044 117 ->124 0.15607 119 ->124 0.44891 121 ->124 -0.18433 123 ->125 -0.10337 123 ->126 -0.34940 123 ->129 0.19244

NTO analysis

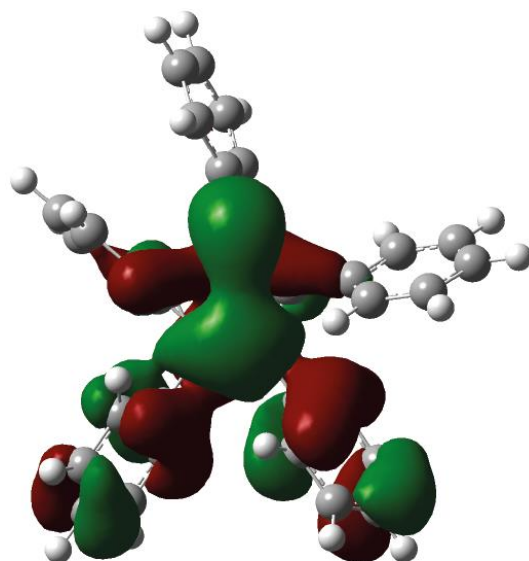
for the optimized geometry of H_2PPP :

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

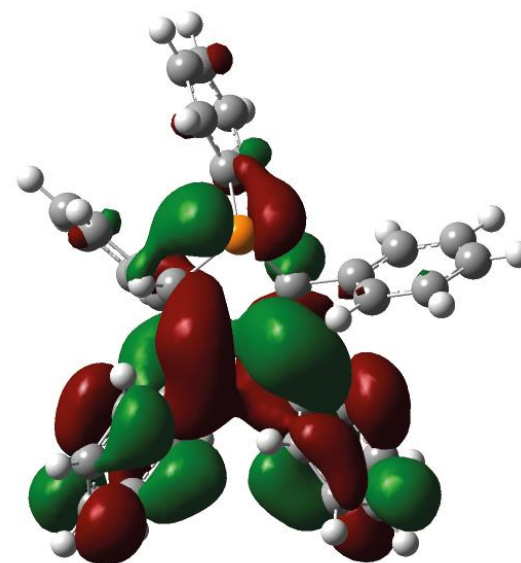
Density=(Check,Transition=1)

128	□	0.00181
127	□	0.00292
126	□	0.01166
125	□	0.05766
124	□	0.92228
123	↑↓	0.92228
122	↑↓	0.05766
121	↑↓	0.01166
120	↑↓	0.00292
119	↑↓	0.00181



MO 123

0.922
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MO 124

Figure S22. Molecular orbitals of H_2PPP .

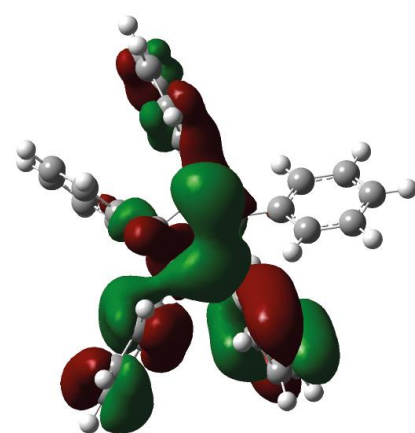
for the optimized geometry of H₂PPP:

1) # td wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) def2svp

2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)

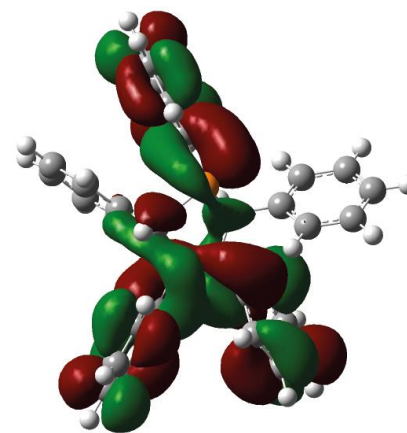
Density=(Check,Transition=2)

128	□	0.00610
127	□	0.00739
126	□	0.01358
125	□	0.10738
124	□	0.85062
123	↑↓	0.85062
122	↑↓	0.10738
121	↑↓	0.01358
120	↑↓	0.00739
119	↑↓	0.00610

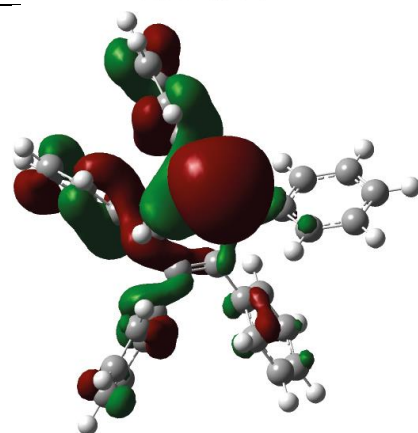


MO 122

0.107

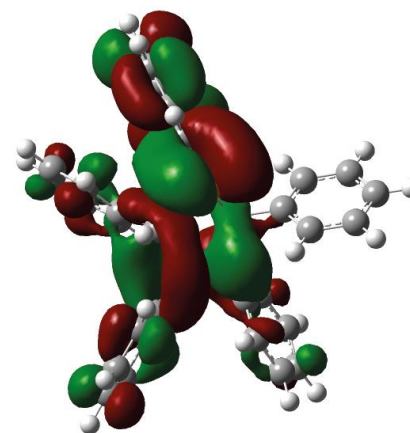


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MO 123

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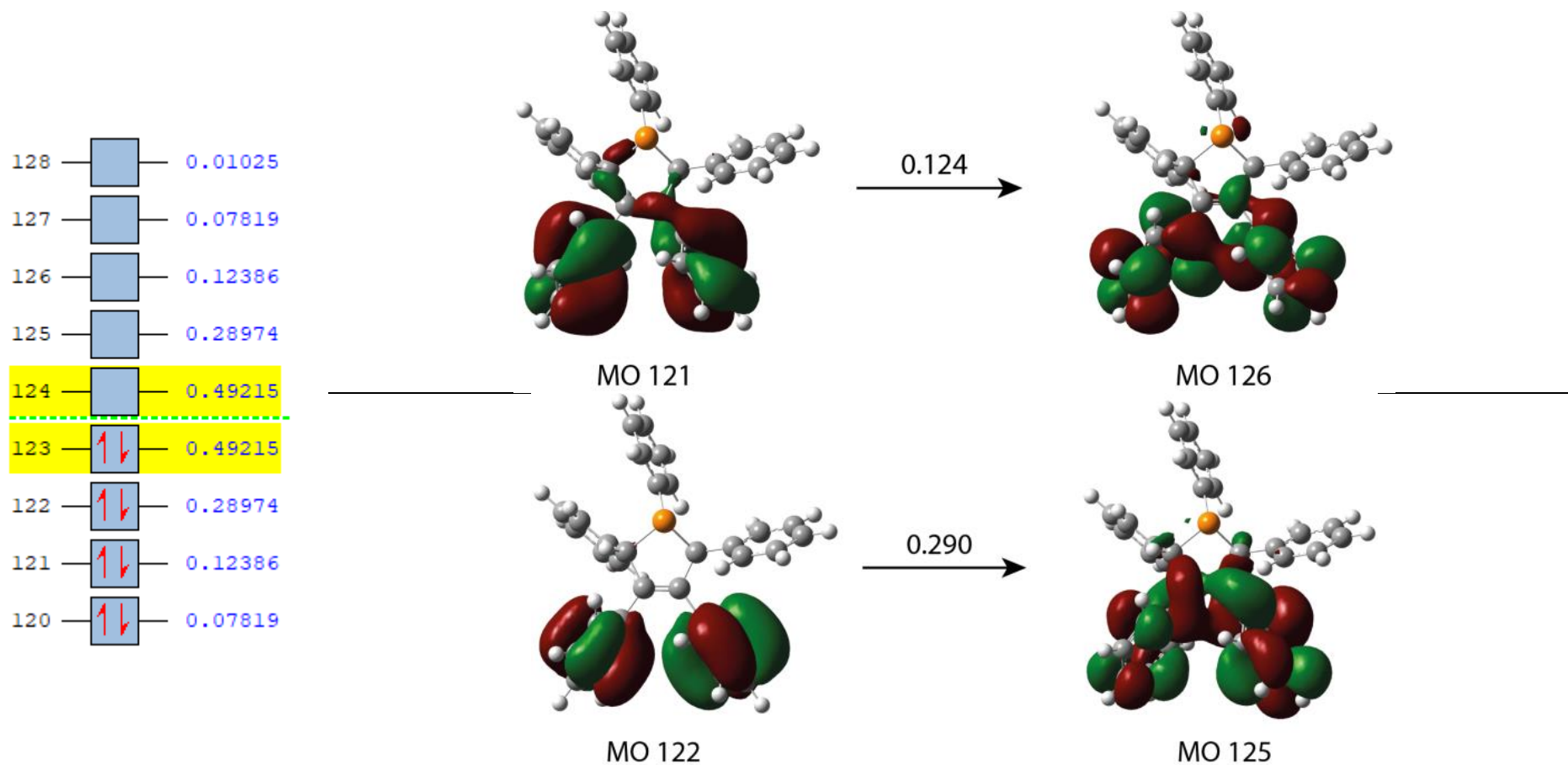


MO 124

Figure S23. Molecular orbitals of H₂PPP.

for the optimized geometry of H₂PPP:

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- 2) # wb97xd scrf=(solvent=acetonitrile,pcm) Geom=AllCheck Pop=(Minimal,NTO,saveNTO) def2svp Guess=(Read,Only)
Density=(Check,Transition=3)



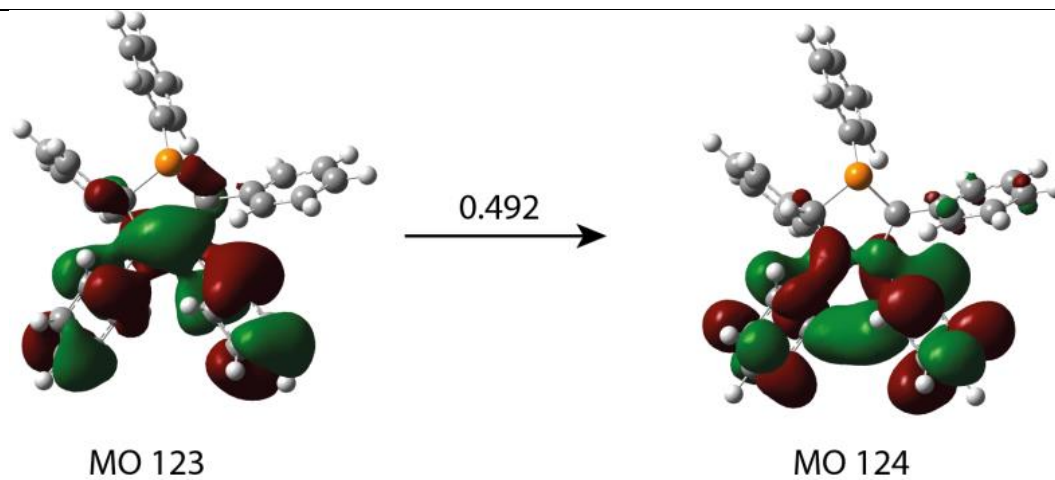


Figure S24. Molecular orbitals of H₂PPP.

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