## Influence of host materials on degradation of phosphorescent organic

## light-emitting diodes under electrical stress

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Fig. S1 Energy transfer and emission processes of the resulting yellow PhOLEDs for the case of single host

and interface exciplex.



**Fig. S2** Energy level diagrams of the resulting yellow PhOLEDs based on co-host. (a) TCTA:TPBi, (b) TCTA:PO-T2T, (c) mCBP:PO-T2T, (d) TCTA:Bepp<sub>2</sub>, and (e) mCBP:Bepp<sub>2</sub>.



**Fig. S3** Change of EQE(t)/EQE, CE(t)/CE and PE(t)/PE versus aging time in the resulting yellow PhOLEDs with different hosts at 5 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>. (a), (c) and (e) single host devices, (b), (d) and (f) co-host devices. (EQE, CE and PE are those of the pristine devices)









**Fig. S4** Normalized PL spectrum characteristics of the resulting yellow PhOLEDs with different hosts at pristine, aging 24 hours and aging 96 hours. (a) Bepp<sub>2</sub>, (b) TPBi, (c) TCTA, (d) PO-T2T, (e) mCBP, (f) TCTA:Bepp<sub>2</sub>, (g) TCTA:PO-T2T, (h) TCTA:TPBi, (i) mCBP:Bepp<sub>2</sub> and (j) mCBP:PO-T2T.



Fig. S5. Fitting parameter  $A_1$  of (a) the single host and (b) co-host devices, and Fitting parameter  $A_2$  of (c) the single host and (d) co-host devices by double exponential function against aging time.



TPBi:10% Ir(tptpy)<sub>2</sub>acao pristine device aged 24 hours aged 96 hours

PO-T2T:10% Ir(tptpy)2aa

- pristine device aged 24 hours aged 96 hours

TCTA:Bepp<sub>2</sub>:10% Ir(tptpy)<sub>2</sub>acac pristine device aged 24 hours aged 96 hours

TCTA:TPBi:8% Ir(tptpy)<sub>2</sub>acac pristine device aged 24 hours aged 96 hours



**Fig. S6.** TRPL spectrum characteristics of the resulting yellow PhOLEDs with different hosts at pristine, aging 24 hours and aging 96 hours. (a) Bepp<sub>2</sub>, (b) TPBi, (c) TCTA, (d) PO-T2T, (e) mCBP, (f) TCTA:Bepp<sub>2</sub>, (g) TCTA:PO-T2T, (h) TCTA:TPBi, (i) mCBP:Bepp<sub>2</sub> and (j) mCBP:PO-T2T.