

Supplementary information

Computational Design of Efficient Near-Infrared TADF Emitters with Hot-exciton Characteristics

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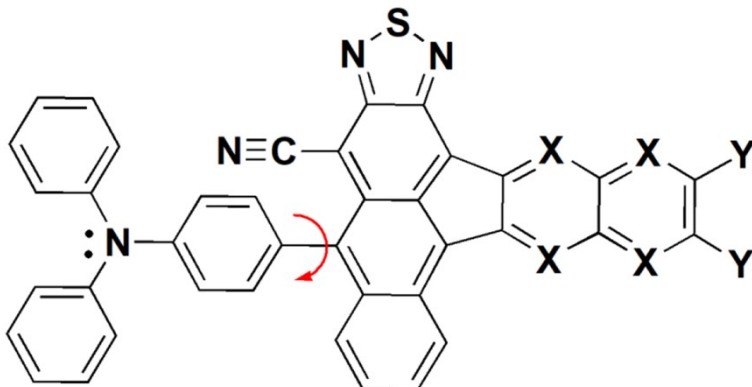
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Table S1. Calculated dihedral angles between donor and AZ units, HOMO and LUMO energies as obtained from M06-2X/6-31G** level of theory in the gas phase.



Compounds	Dihedral angle <i>D - AZ</i> (in °)	HOMO (eV)	LUMO (eV)	HOMO-LUMO gap (eV)
D1AZ2BZH	85.81	-6.09	-2.95	-3.14
D1AZ2BZF	85.05	-6.15	-3.07	-3.08
D1AZ2BZCN	83.36	-6.32	-3.42	-2.90
D1AZ2PZH	84.18	-6.25	-3.28	-2.97
D1AZ2PZF	82.22	-6.32	-3.41	-2.91
D1AZ2PZCN	78.33	-6.48	-3.73	-2.75
D1AZBZPZH	85.50	-6.15	-3.09	-3.06
D1AZBZPZF	84.56	-6.22	-3.22	-3.00
D1AZBZPZCN	82.61	-6.37	-3.54	-2.83
D1AZPZBZH	84.80	-6.18	-3.12	-3.06
D1AZPZBZHF	83.70	-6.24	-3.24	-3.00
D1AZPZBZCN	80.94	-6.41	-3.59	-2.82

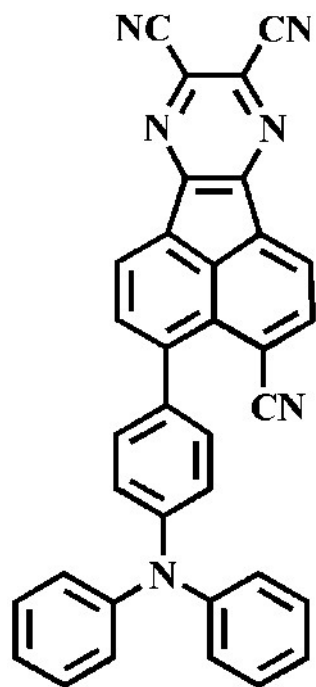


Figure S1. Structure of CAT-1.

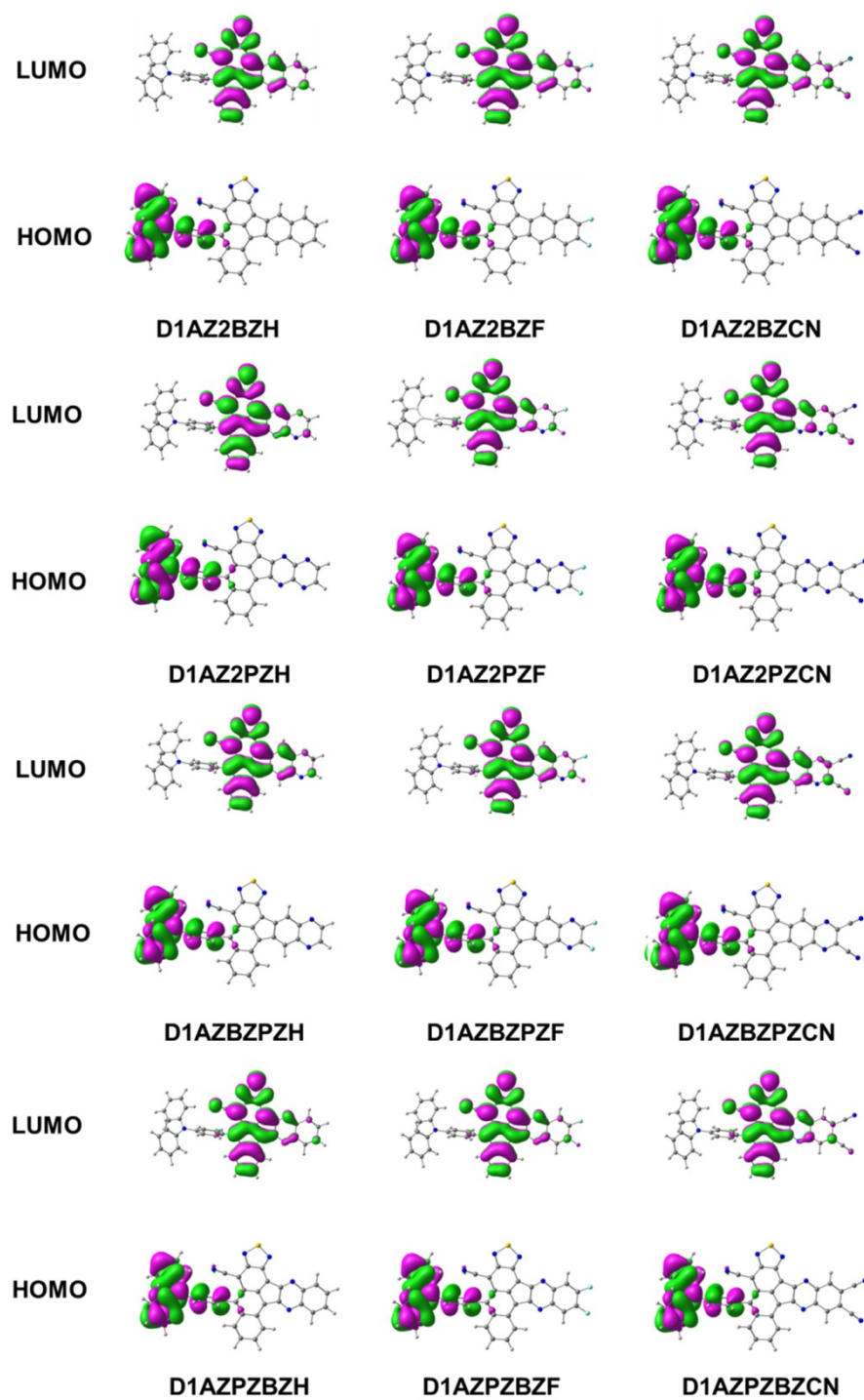


Figure S2. HOMO-LUMO wavefunctions for the newly designed molecules using M06-2X/6-31G** level of theory.

Table S2. Calculated five lowest singlets, and five lowest triplets state energies as obtained from M06-2X/6-31G** level of theory in the gas phase. All values are in eV.

	S₁	S₂	S₃	S₄	S₅	T₁	T₂	T₃	T₄	T₅
D1AZ2BZH	1.90	2.03	2.63	3.30	3.57	0.63	1.98	2.03	2.77	2.83
D1AZ2BZF	1.91	1.98	2.62	3.38	3.56	0.64	1.95	1.99	2.76	2.93
D1AZ2BZCN	1.77	1.94	2.77	3.43	3.49	0.66	1.77	2.03	2.72	2.88
D1AZ2PZH	1.81	2.02	2.90	3.00	3.22	0.74	1.81	2.08	2.66	2.70
D1AZ2PZF	1.74	2.02	2.82	3.25	3.34	0.75	1.74	2.05	2.64	2.86
D1AZ2PZCN	1.58	2.00	2.72	2.94	3.01	0.75	1.58	2.04	2.59	2.61
D1AZBZPZH	1.92	1.97	2.74	3.50	3.60	0.66	1.94	2.02	2.74	3.00
D1AZBZPZF	1.86	1.97	2.69	3.51	3.60	0.68	1.86	2.00	2.72	3.03
D1AZBZPZCN	1.70	1.95	2.83	3.03	3.25	0.68	1.70	2.03	2.65	2.71
D1AZPZBZH	1.90	2.01	2.78	3.27	3.44	0.72	1.91	2.05	2.70	2.96
D1AZPZBZF	1.84	2.01	2.76	3.38	3.40	0.73	1.84	2.04	2.68	2.92
D1AZPZBZCN	1.66	2.00	2.91	3.14	3.32	0.74	1.66	2.07	2.65	2.80

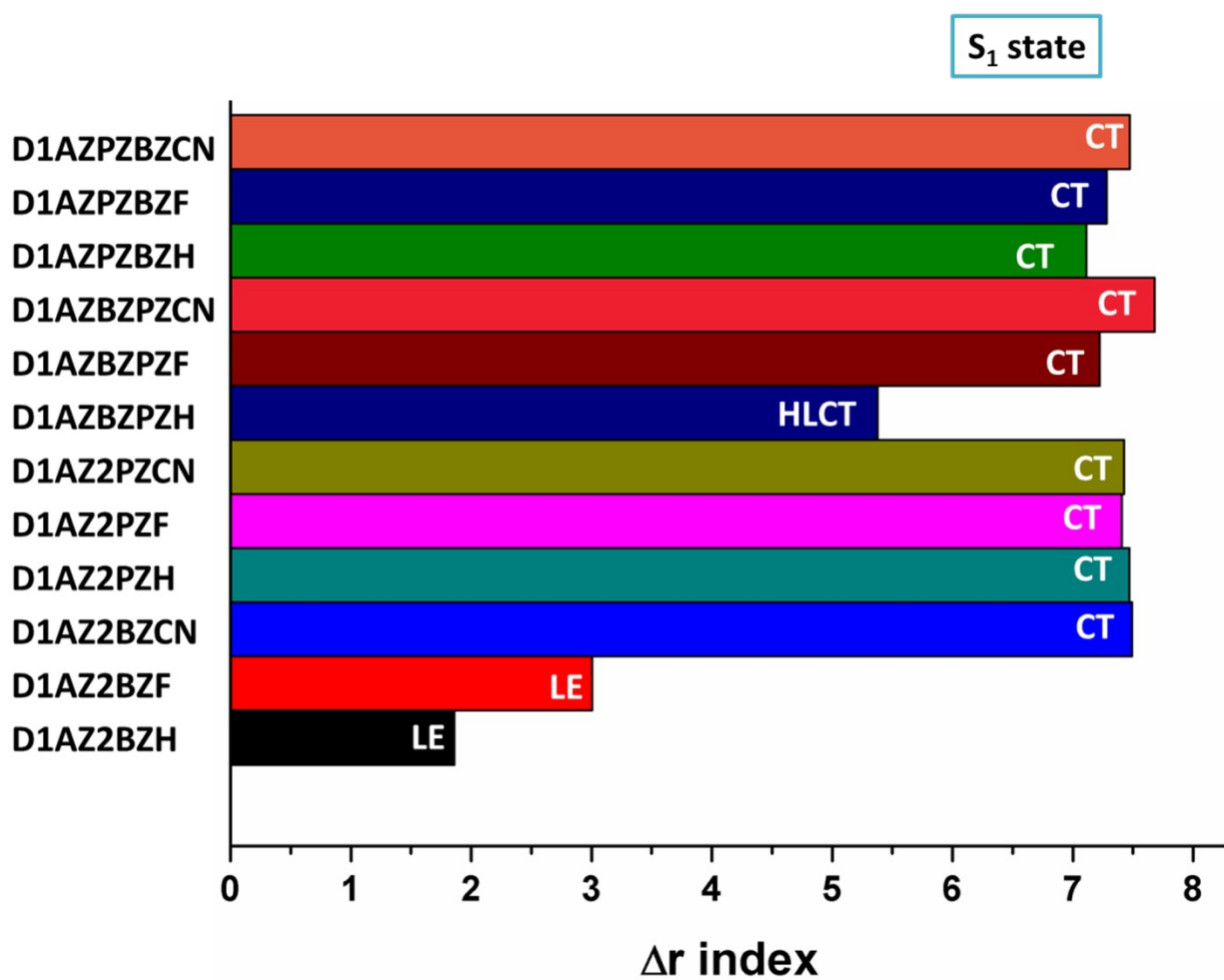
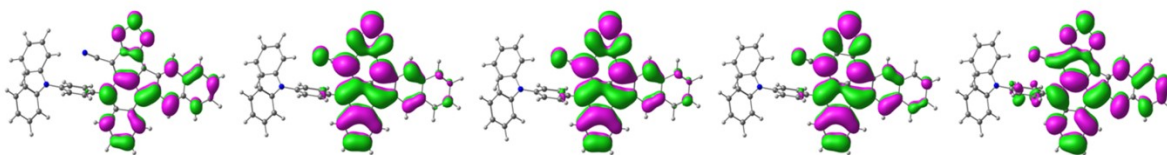


Figure S3. Representation of calculated Δr indices for the molecules under study.

D1AZ2BZH

ELECTRON



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22 %CT
78 %LE

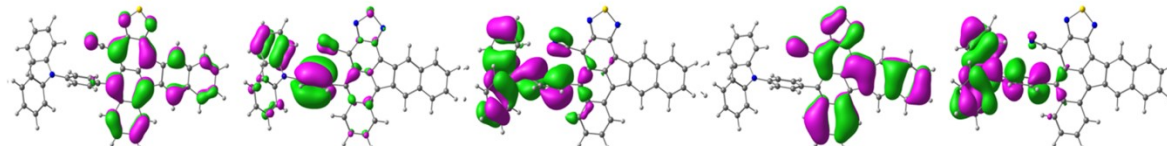
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CT ↑

HLCT ↑
10 %CT
90 %LE

CT ↑

HOLE



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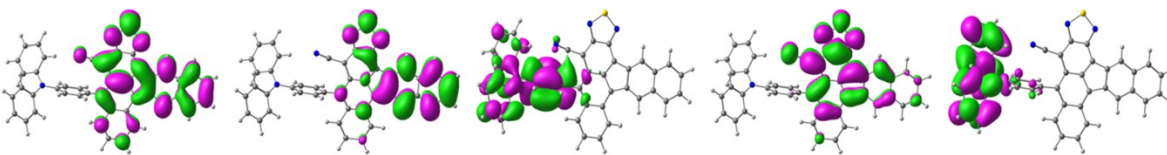
S₇

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S₁₀

ELECTRON



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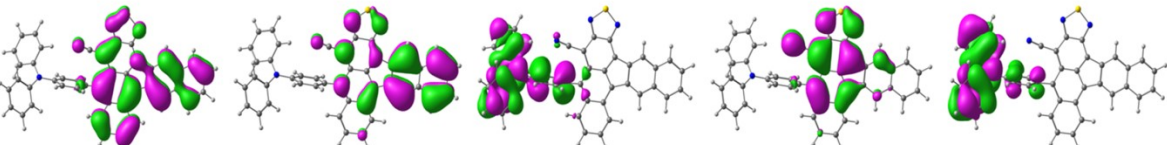
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7 %CT
93 %LE

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HOLE



T₆

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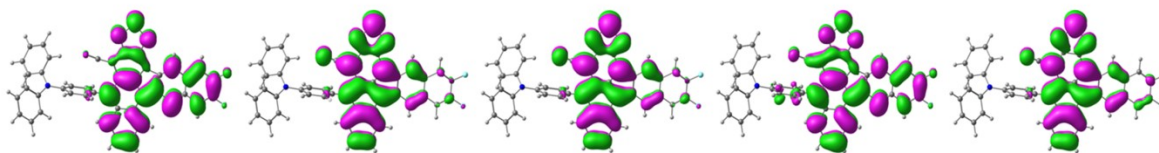
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D1AZ2BZF

ELECTRON



HLCT ↑ 33 %CT
67 %LE

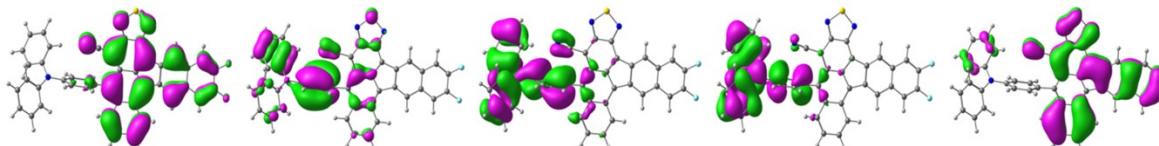
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HLCT ↑ 17 %CT
83 %LE

HOLE



S₆

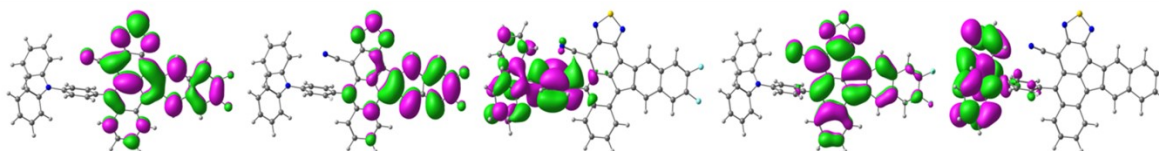
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ELECTRON



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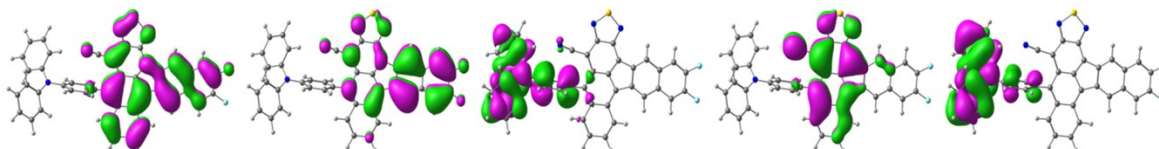
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92 %LE

LE ↑

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LE ↑

HOLE



T₆

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T₈

T₉

T₁₀

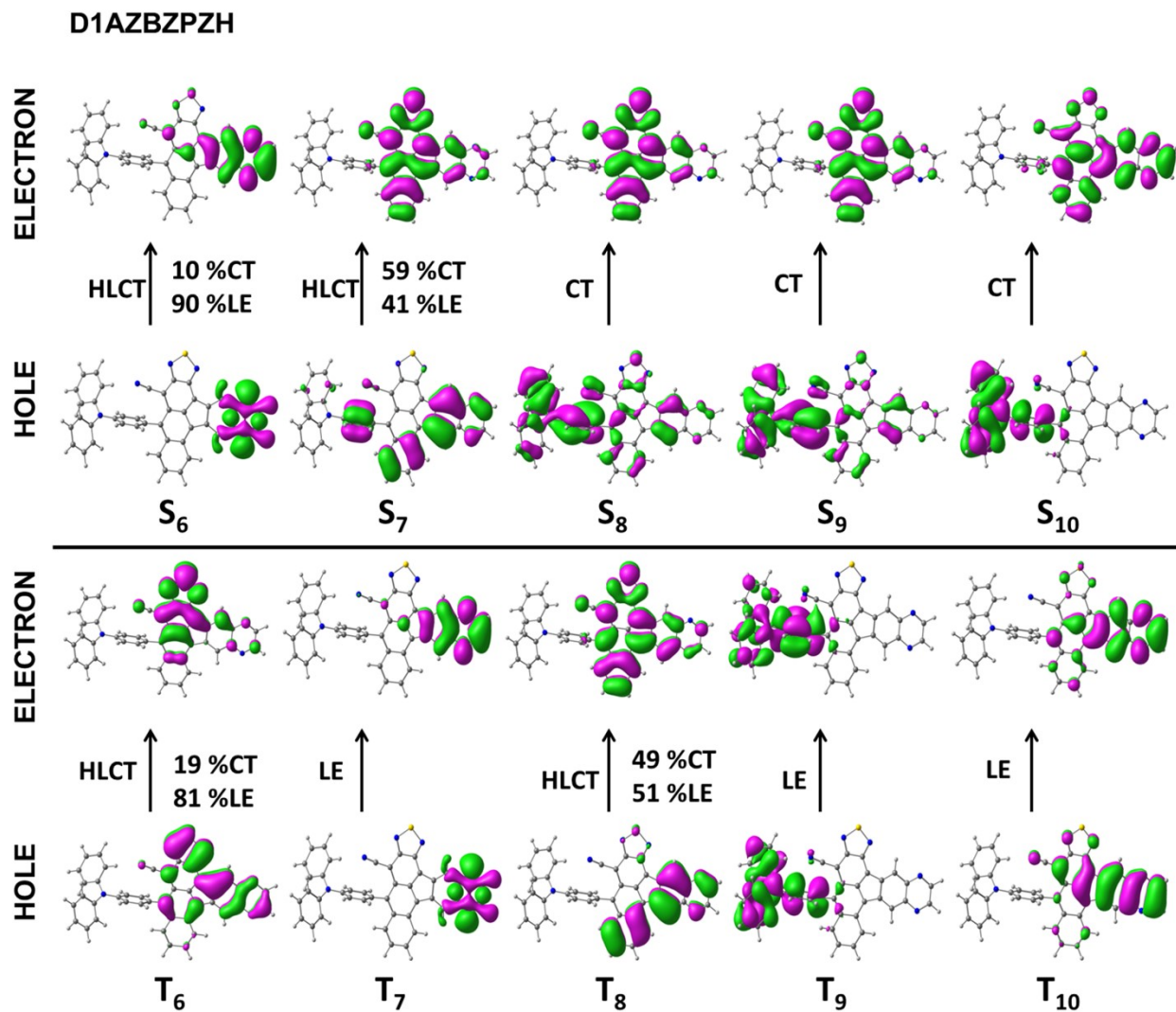


Figure S4. Spatial distribution of the hole and electron wavefunctions corresponds to the singlet (S₆-S₁₀) and triplet (T₆-T₁₀) excited states of the three potential molecules.

Table S3. Calculated Δr indices of the newly designed molecules for the S_n and T_m states in Å units.

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S7	S8	S9	S10	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	T7	T8	T9	T10
D1AZ2BZH	1.86	7.36	2.60	3.67	2.73	1.75	6.05	8.06	2.43	9.15	1.43	2.98	7.32	2.48	3.41	1.72	2.28	1.64	1.88	1.36
	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	CT	CT	HLCT	CT	LE	HLCT	CT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	LE	LE	LE
D1AZ2BZF	3.01	6.15	2.83	3.39	2.64	2.49	5.44	7.57	8.50	3.13	1.43	6.33	4.12	2.11	3.15	2.02	2.09	1.64	1.92	1.46
	HLCT	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	CT	CT	HLCT	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	LE	LE
D1AZ2BZCN	7.49	1.67	2.22	3.54	3.72	4.85	7.47	4.26	9.92	5.77	1.39	7.70	2.43	1.70	2.65	3.05	2.54	2.22	2.96	6.47
	CT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	CT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT
D1AZ2PZH	7.47	1.73	1.98	2.95	3.23	3.59	10.36	4.09	4.61	7.00	1.61	7.45	2.34	2.10	1.87	3.02	4.32	2.93	3.21	8.20
	CT	LE	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT
D1AZ2PZF	7.41	1.72	2.26	4.26	3.23	9.79	5.14	1.22	3.47	7.42	1.61	7.39	2.51	1.85	3.11	1.33	2.74	2.40	3.19	8.69
	CT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT
D1AZ2PZCN	7.43	1.69	6.06	9.07	0.83	2.67	6.57	3.54	7.39	1.94	1.68	7.26	2.96	3.98	1.62	0.63	10.72	2.22	2.95	3.74
	CT	LE	CT	CT	LE	HLCT	CT	HLCT	CT	LE	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT
D1AZBZPZH	5.38	3.74	2.21	2.93	3.11	3.24	3.97	5.82	6.27	10.52	1.42	7.48	2.63	1.83	3.15	2.29	3.29	2.41	1.66	1.72
	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	CT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	LE
D1AZBZPZF	7.22	1.90	2.36	3.08	4.95	5.24	7.42	2.32	10.57	7.81	1.43	7.60	2.62	2.28	3.17	2.58	2.01	1.78	1.75	3.33

	CT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	CT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	LE	HLCT
D1AZBPZCN	7.68	1.49	2.25	4.90	11.59	6.00	3.71	6.86	3.10	7.46	1.39	7.68	2.50	3.43	2.31	2.73	1.34	12.20	2.47	3.10
	CT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	CT	CT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT
D1AZPZBZH	7.11	2.08	2.85	3.42	2.59	3.63	4.61	1.04	6.31	6.62	1.60	7.52	2.72	2.34	2.46	2.34	2.39	2.19	3.81	0.99
	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	CT	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE
D1AZPZBZF	7.28	1.88	3.15	3.42	2.91	3.84	6.20	6.01	0.94	8.35	1.61	7.48	2.97	1.89	2.68	2.03	2.59	1.02	2.39	2.17
	CT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	CT	CT	LE	CT	LE	CT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	HLCT
D1AZPZBZCN	7.48	1.66	2.63	4.50	9.32	2.65	6.34	5.25	5.41	1.26	1.57	7.46	2.74	2.65	3.21	1.10	2.24	9.92	1.53	2.75
	CT	LE	HLCT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	CT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	LE	CT	HLCT	HLCT	HLCT	LE	HLCT	CT	LE	HLCT

Table S4. Charge transfer ratio among fragments of potential hot-exciton NIR-TADF emitters.

D1AZ2BZH																			
S₁	1	2	3	S₂	1	2	3	S₃	1	2	3	S₄	1	2	3	S₅	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.032	0.003	1	0.000	0.850	0.104	1	0.000	0.004	-0.001	1	0.000	0.006	-0.002	1	0.000	0.032	0.005
2		0.000	-0.135	2		0.000	-0.003	2		0.000	-0.457	2		0.000	-0.624	2		0.000	0.056
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
S₆	1	2	3	S₇	1	2	3	S₈	1	2	3	S₉	1	2	3	S₁₀	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.033	0.024	1	0.000	0.819	0.101	1	0.000	0.812	0.115	1	0.000	0.004	0.001	1	0.000	0.587	0.388
2		0.000	0.160	2		0.000	-0.001	2		0.000	0.005	2		0.000	-0.097	2		0.000	0.005
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
T₁	1	2	3	T₂	1	2	3	T₃	1	2	3	T₄	1	2	3	T₅	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.013	0.002	1	0.000	0.096	0.018	1	0.000	0.003	0.039	1	0.000	0.013	0.002	1	0.000	0.005	-0.002
2		0.000	-0.001	2		0.000	-0.164	2		0.000	0.005	2		0.000	0.080	2		0.000	-0.625
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
T₆	1	2	3	T₇	1	2	3	T₈	1	2	3	T₉	1	2	3	T₁₀	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.011	0.005	1	0.000	0.001	0.001	1	0.000	0.031	0.000	1	0.000	0.018	0.005	1	0.000	-0.012	0.001
2		0.000	-0.088	2		0.000	-0.064	2		0.000	0.000	2		0.000	0.038	2		0.000	0.000
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000

D1AZ2BZF																			
S₁	1	2	3	S₂	1	2	3	S₃	1	2	3	S₄	1	2	3	S₅	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.170	0.020	1	0.000	0.712	0.085	1	0.000	0.004	-0.001	1	0.000	0.022	0.001	1	0.000	0.049	0.008
2		0.000	-0.096	2		0.000	-0.022	2		0.000	-0.488	2		0.000	-0.607	2		0.000	0.067

3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
S₆	1	2	3	S₇	1	2	3	S₈	1	2	3	S₉	1	2	3	S₁₀	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.086	0.069	1	0.000	0.705	0.104	1	0.000	0.807	0.113	1	0.000	0.496	0.351	1	0.000	0.085	0.036
2		0.000	0.175	2		0.000	-0.011	2		0.000	0.004	2		0.000	0.016	2		0.000	-0.044
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
T₁	1	2	3	T₂	1	2	3	T₃	1	2	3	T₄	1	2	3	T₅	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.014	0.002	1	0.000	0.622	0.088	1	0.000	0.257	0.046	1	0.000	0.007	0.002	1	0.000	0.025	0.002
2		0.000	0.0004	2		0.000	-0.107	2		0.000	-0.133	2		0.000	0.098	2		0.000	-0.598
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
T₆	1	2	3	T₇	1	2	3	T₈	1	2	3	T₉	1	2	3	T₁₀	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.010	0.005	1	0.000	0.007	0.006	1	0.000	0.031	-0.0002	1	0.000	0.028	0.009	1	0.000	-0.001	0.006
2		0.000	-0.090	2		0.000	-0.069	2		0.000	-0.0001	2		0.000	0.008	2		0.000	0.0001
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000

D1AZBZPZH																			
S₁	1	2	3	S₂	1	2	3	S₃	1	2	3	S₄	1	2	3	S₅	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.511	0.060	1	0.000	0.367	0.043	1	0.000	0.005	-0.001	1	0.000	0.002	0.005	1	0.000	0.071	0.035
2		0.000	-0.026	2		0.000	-0.036	2		0.000	-0.400	2		0.000	0.319	2		0.000	0.207
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
S₆	1	2	3	S₇	1	2	3	S₈	1	2	3	S₉	1	2	3	S₁₀	1	2	3
1	0.000	-0.00003	-0.013	1	0.000	0.177	0.035	1	0.000	0.658	0.123	1	0.000	0.675	0.122	1	0.000	0.464	0.510
2		0.000	-0.081	2		0.000	-0.374	2		0.000	-0.070	2		0.000	-0.055	2		0.000	0.009
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000

T₁	1	2	3	T₂	1	2	3	T₃	1	2	3	T₄	1	2	3	T₅	1	2	3
1	0.000	0.008	0.001	1	0.000	0.845	0.100	1	0.000	0.041	0.007	1	0.000	0.004	0.001	1	0.000	0.004	0.009
2		0.000	-0.036	2		0.000	-0.012	2		0.000	-0.143	2		0.000	0.113	2		0.000	0.224
3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000	3			0.000
T₆	1	2	3	T₇	1	2	3	T₈	1	2	3	T₉	1	2	3	T₁₀	1	2	3
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2		0.000	-0.180	2		0.000	-0.035	2		0.000	-0.469	2		0.000	0.00002	2		0.000	0.088
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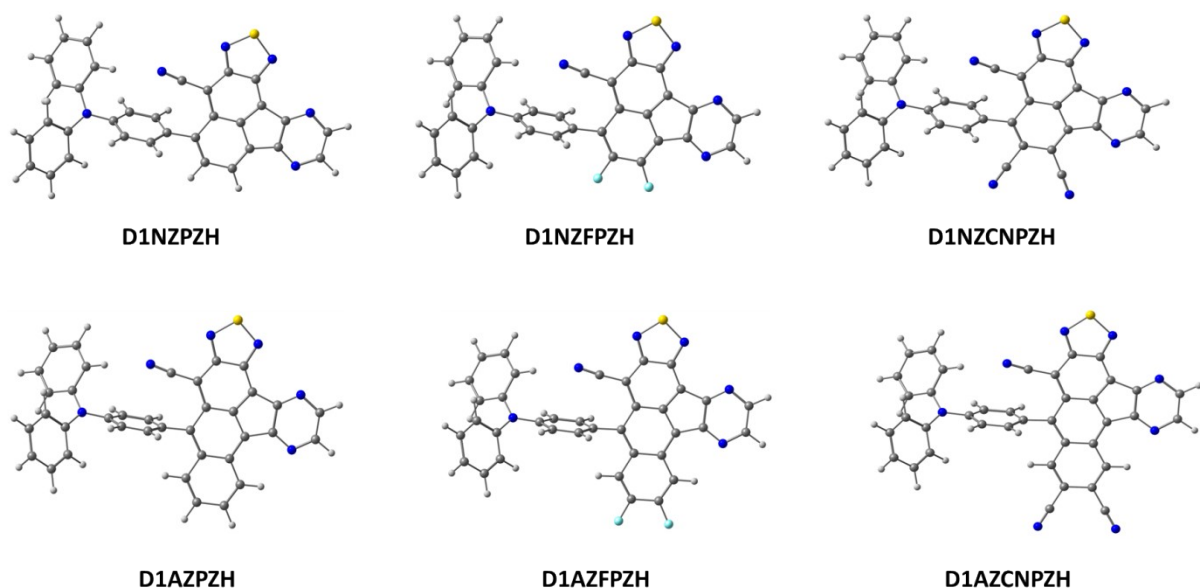


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	S ₁	S ₂	S ₃	S ₄	S ₅	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	S ₁ -T ₁	T ₂ -T ₁	Absorption λ	HLG
	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(nm)	(eV)
D1NZPZH	2.08	2.85	3.03	3.48	3.83	1.42	2.05	2.53	2.90	3.29	0.66	0.64	597	3.23
D1NZFPZH	2.06	2.92	3.15	3.53	3.82	1.53	2.05	2.61	2.80	3.30	0.53	0.52	602	3.20
D1NZCNPZH	1.63	2.73	2.98	3.25	3.40	1.33	1.63	2.44	2.84	3.16	0.30	0.30	761	2.78
D1AZPZH	1.86	2.02	2.66	3.25	3.50	0.76	1.85	1.93	2.64	3.09	1.10	1.10	667	3.03
D1AZFPZH	1.81	2.11	2.67	3.28	3.48	0.82	1.81	1.97	2.60	3.13	0.99	0.99	684	2.98
D1AZCNPZH	1.51	2.16	2.56	3.16	3.32	0.78	1.50	1.91	2.69	3.03	0.73	0.72	820	2.68

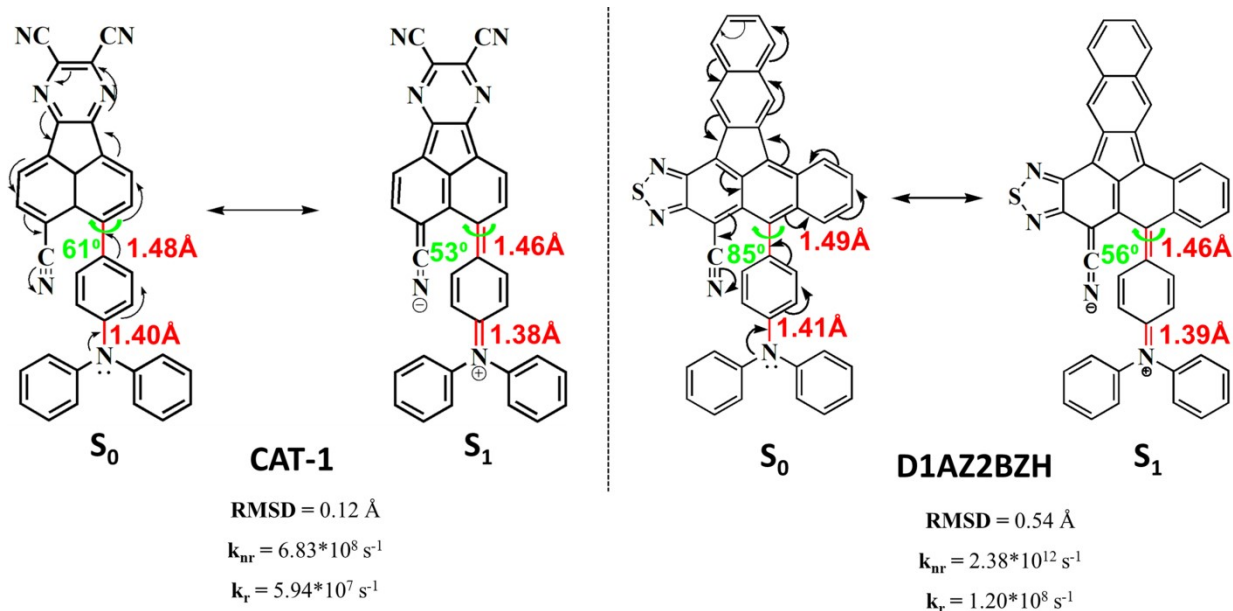


Figure S6. Comparison of geometrical parameters, RMSD, k_{nr} and k_r of CAT-1 and D1AZ2BZH at M06-2X/6-31G** level of theory.

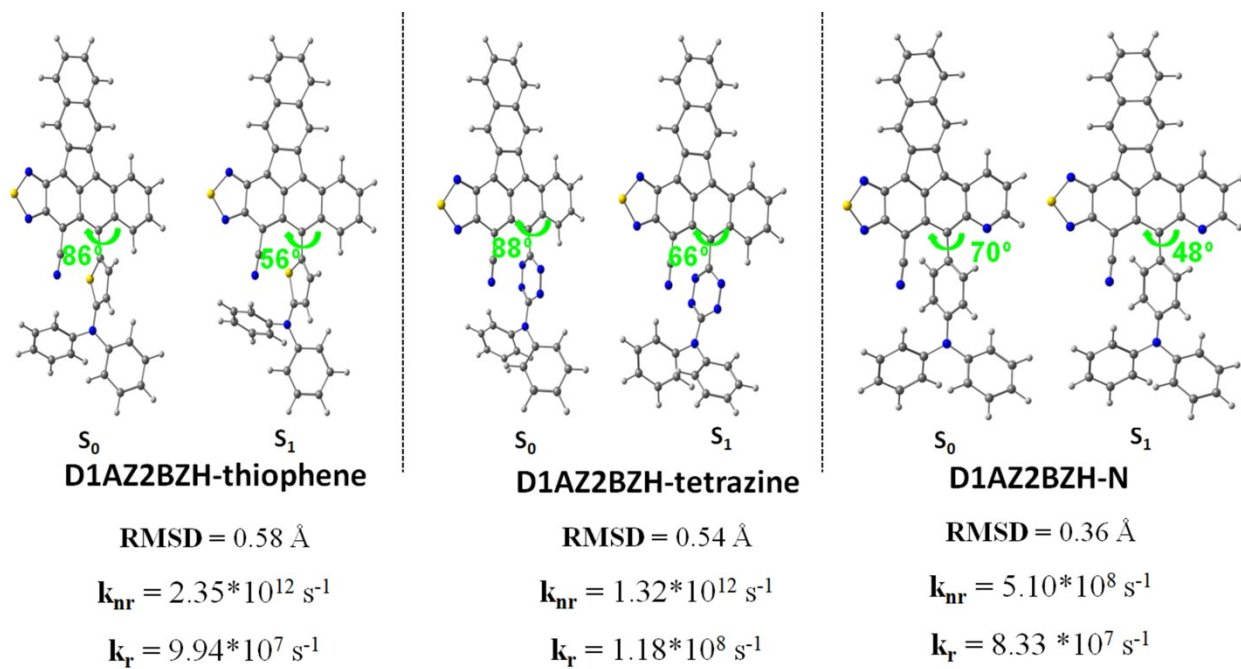


Figure S7. Comparison of new structures based on thiophene and tetrazine substituted D1AZ2BZH at M06-2X/6-31G** level of theory.