

Gold(I)-Containing Light-Emitting Molecules with an Inverted Singlet-Triplet Gap

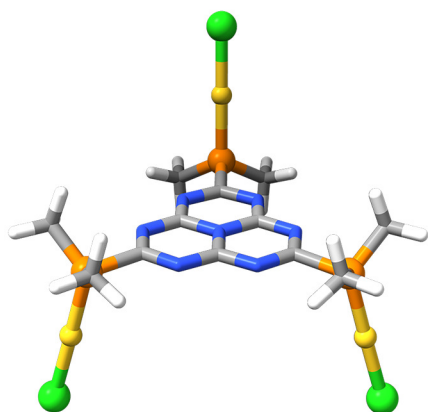
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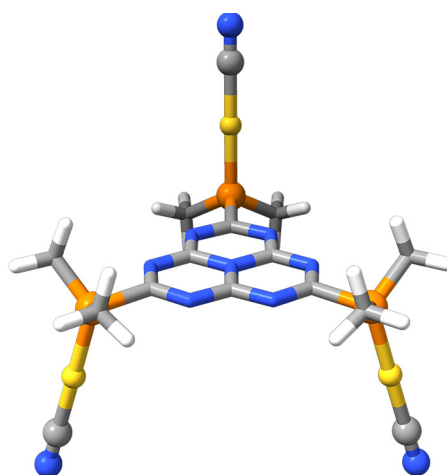
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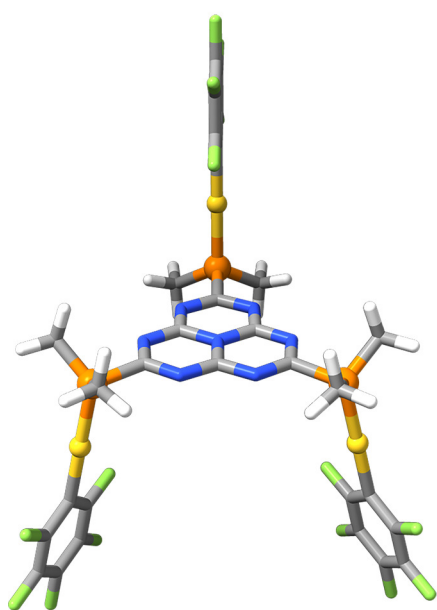
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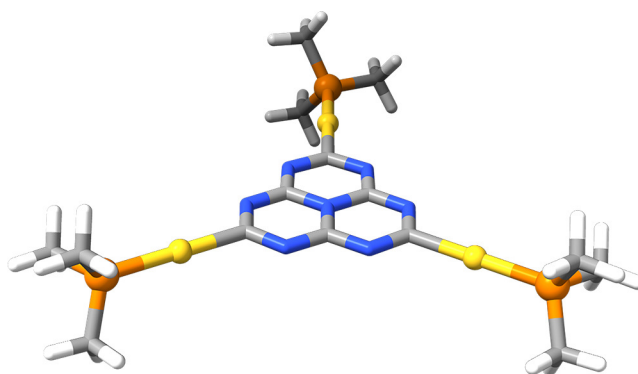
molecule 1



molecule 2



molecule 3



molecule 4

Figure S1: Structure of molecules 1-4 (DFT/PBE0-D3(BJ)/def2-TZVP level of theory). Colour code: C, grey; H, white; Au, yellow; Cl, green; F, light green; N, blue; P, orange.

Table S1: Selected bond distances (in Å) and angles (in °) of heptazine, 2,4,6-tris(diphenylphosphino)heptazine, and molecules **1-4**

Model	C-N	C-N ^{9b}	C-P	Au-P(C)	Au-X
Heptazine ^a	1.305(4)-1.369(4)	1.378(3)-1.397(3)	-	-	-
2,4,6-tris(diphenylphosphino)heptazine ^b	1.328(3)-1.341(2)	1.391(3)-1.394(3)	1.834(2)-1.841(2)	-	-
1 (X = Cl)	1.32-1.33	1.39	1.83	2.22-2.23	2.26-2.27
2 (X = CN)	1.32-1.33	1.39	1.83	2.27-2.28	1.99-2.00
3 (X = C ₆ F ₅)	1.32-1.33	1.39	1.83	2.28	2.05
4 (X = PMe ₃)	1.33-1.34	1.39	-	2.30	2.05

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Table S2: First singlet-to-singlet vertical excitation energies at the TD-DFT/PBE0-D3(BJ)/def2-TZVP and TD-DFT/ ω B97X-D/def2-TZVP levels of theory for molecules **1-4** (energies are given in eV)

Molecule	irrep ^a	$E(S_1 \leftarrow S_0)$ ($f \cdot 10^4$)	Contributions (%)	
PBE0 functional				
1	a''	2.702 (0.200)	64 $a'' \rightarrow$ 83 a'	(78.4)
			63 $a'' \rightarrow$ 83 a'	(18.7)
2	a''	3.000 (3.502)	57 $a'' \rightarrow$ 80 a'	(91.1)
3	a	2.281 (0.125)	242 $a \rightarrow$ 243 a	(99.4)
4	a	2.951 (0.005)	134 $a \rightarrow$ 135 a	(97.0)
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ω B97X-D functional				
1	a''	3.174 (0.509)	60 $a'' \rightarrow$ 83 a'	(93.4)
2	a''	3.171 (0.447)	57 $a'' \rightarrow$ 80 a'	(83.2)
			58 $a'' \rightarrow$ 80 a'	(5.1)
3	a	3.187(0.160)	233 $a \rightarrow$ 243 a	(95.1)
4	a	3.173 (0.002)	134 $a \rightarrow$ 135 a	(87.6)
			134 $a \rightarrow$ 141 a	(9.6)

^a Irreducible representation

Table S3: First singlet-to-triplet vertical excitation energies at the TD-DFT/PBE0-D3(BJ)/def2-TZVP and TD-DFT/ ω B97X-D/def2-TZVP levels of theory for molecules **1-4** (energies are given in eV)

Molecule	irrep ^a	$E(T_1 \leftarrow S_0)$	Contributions (%)	
PBE0 functional				
1	a''	2.652	63 $a'' \rightarrow$ 83 a'	(74.4)
			64 $a'' \rightarrow$ 83 a'	(20.6)
2	a''	2.760	57 $a'' \rightarrow$ 80 a'	(92.7)
3	a	2.278	242 $a \rightarrow$ 243 a	(99.3)
4	a	2.736	134 $a \rightarrow$ 135 a	(96.1)
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ω B97X-D functional				
1	a''	2.934	60 $a'' \rightarrow$ 83 a'	(93.1)
2	a''	2.928	57 $a'' \rightarrow$ 80 a'	(83.0)
			58 $a'' \rightarrow$ 80 a'	(5.0)
3	a	2.948	233 $a \rightarrow$ 243 a	(94.7)
4	a	2.956	134 $a \rightarrow$ 135 a	(86.9)
			134 $a \rightarrow$ 141 a	(9.7)

^a Irreducible representation

Table S4: Spin contamination of the Δ SCF calculations using the PBE0 and ω B97X-D functionals

Molecule	PBE0		ω B97X-D	
	S ₁	T ₁	S ₁	T ₁
1	1.11	2.01	1.16	2.02
2	1.12	2.02	1.16	2.02
3	1.08	- ^a	1.16	2.02

^a The Δ SCF calculation did not converge

1 Cartesian coordinates of molecule 1.

C	0.7925856	-6.9323107	-1.7660438
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3 Cartesian coordinates of molecule 3.

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4 Cartesian coordinates of molecule 4 (S_0 geometry).

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5 Cartesian coordinates of molecule 4 (S_1 geometry).

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6 Cartesian coordinates of molecule 4 (T_1 geometry).

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