

Supporting Information

Near-infrared Aggregation-Induced Emission Characteristics of New *o*-Carborane Fluorophores with Large Stokes Shifts and Self- recovering Mechanochromic Luminescence

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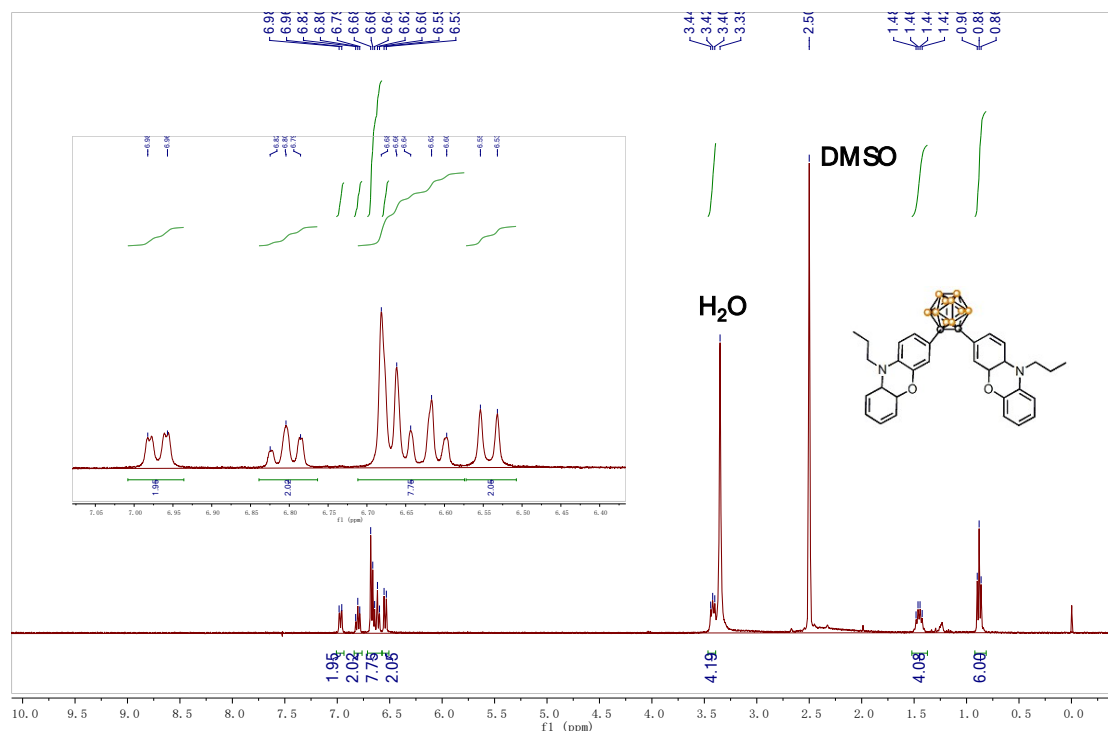


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectra of CPO in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$

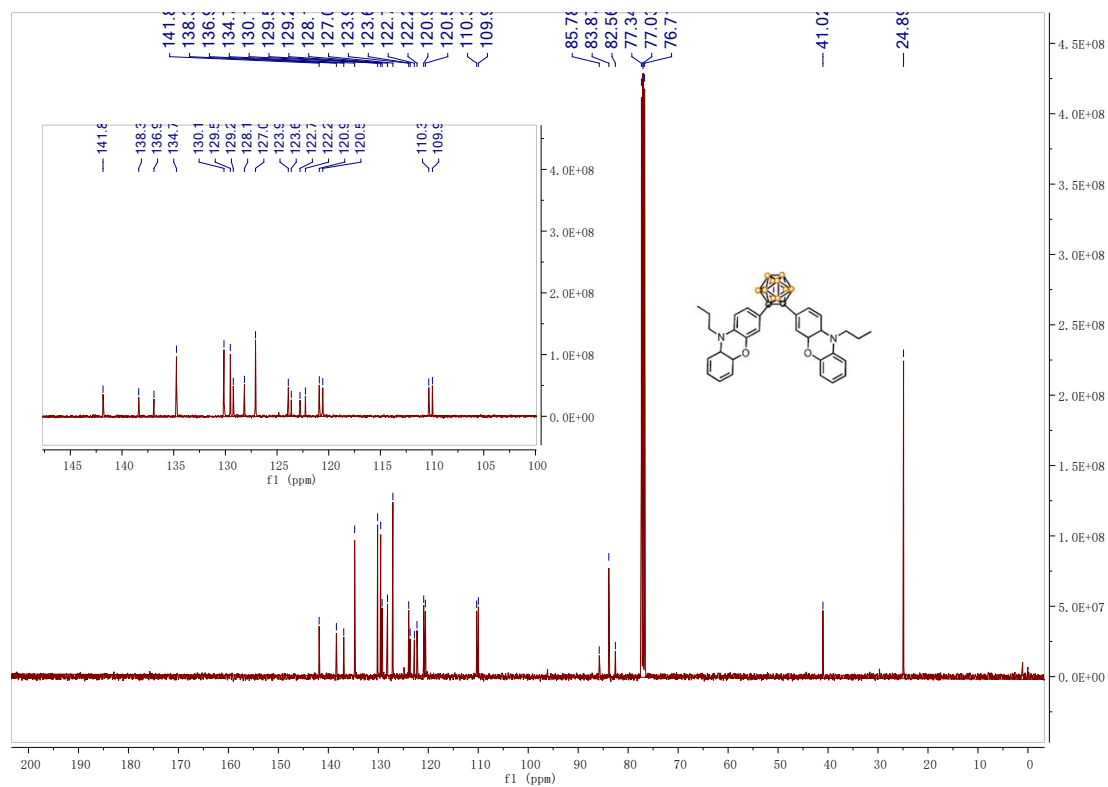


Figure S2. ^{13}C NMR spectra of CPO in CDCl_3

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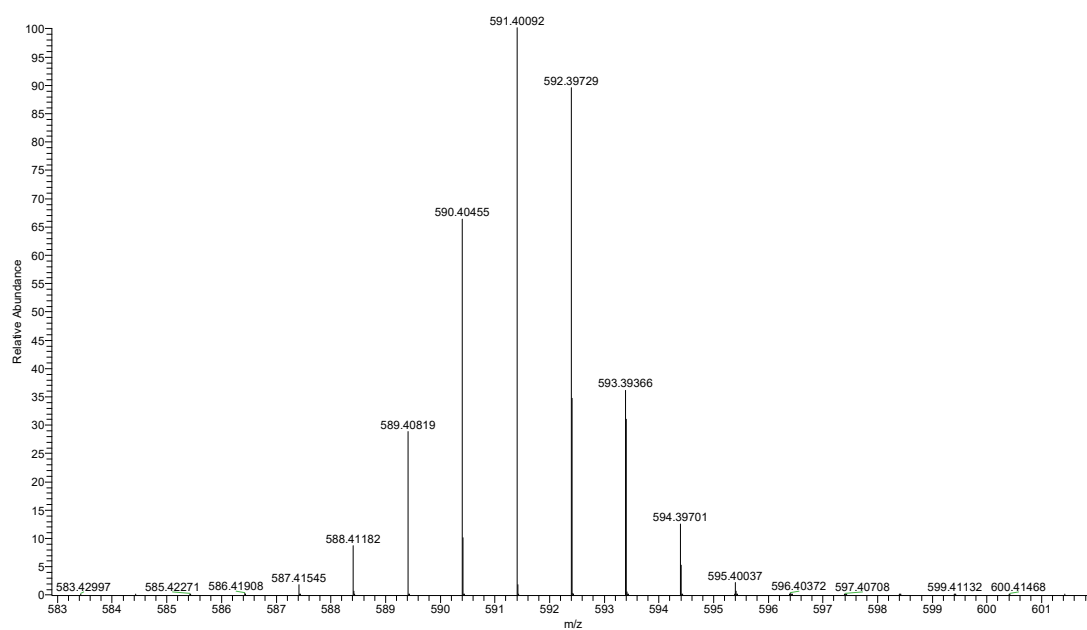


Figure S3. HRMS spectra of CPO

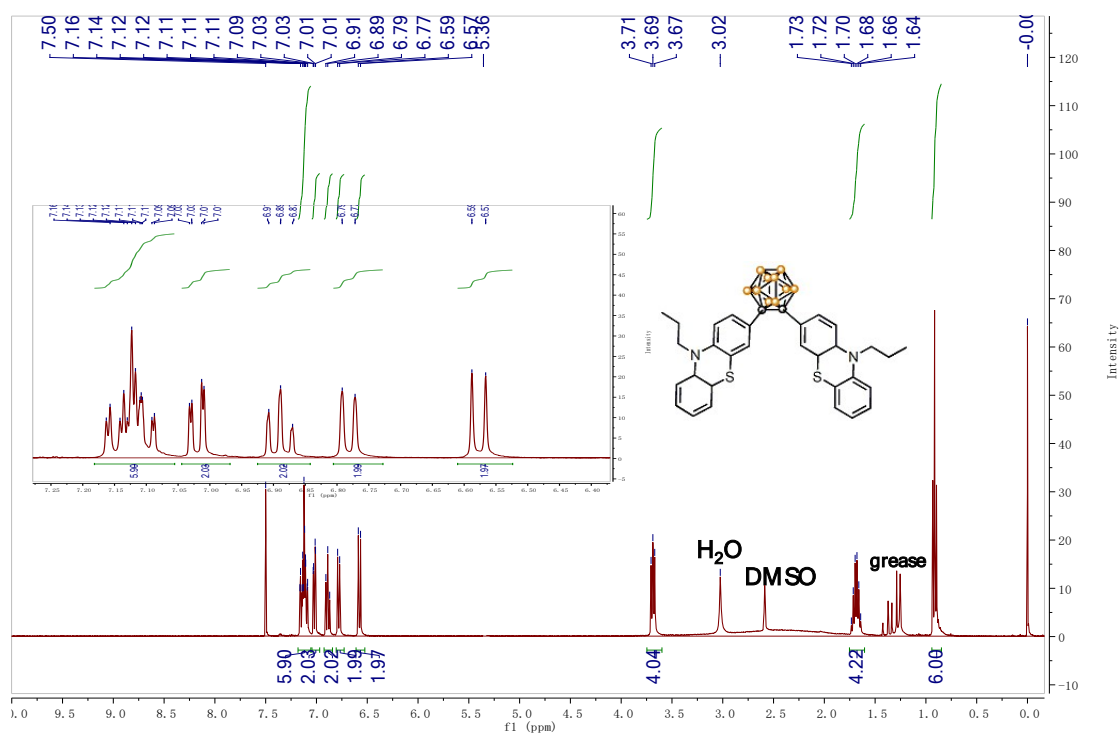


Figure S4. ¹H NMR spectra of CPS in CDCl₃ and DMSO-*d*₆.

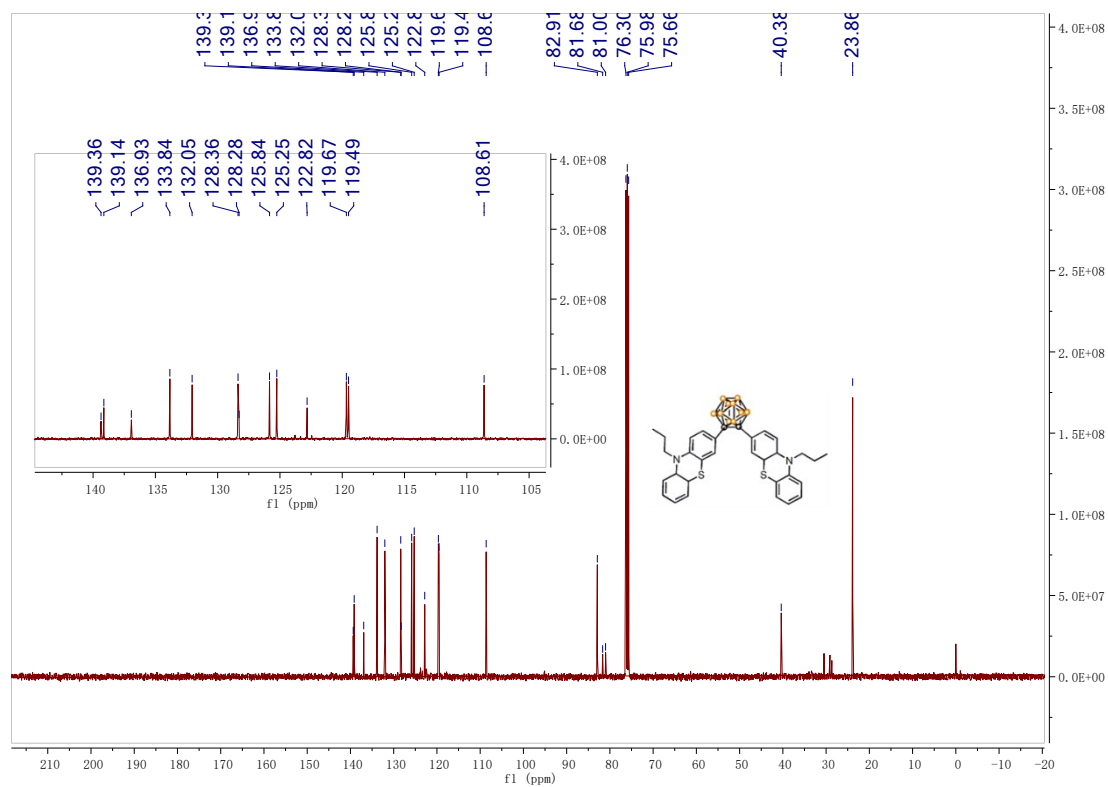


Figure S5. ^{13}C NMR spectra of CPS in CDCl_3 .

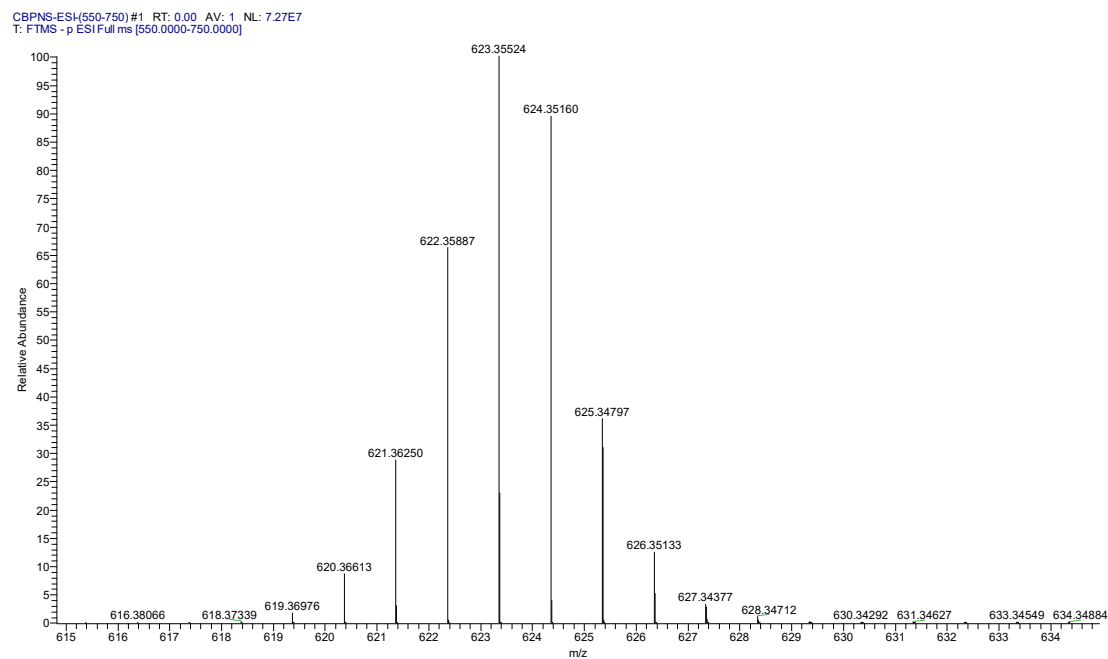


Figure S6. HRMS spectra of CPS

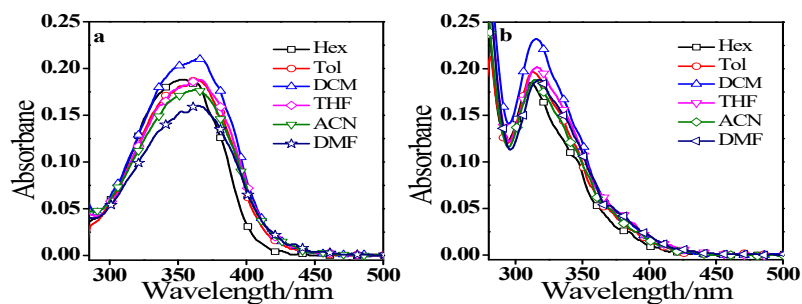


Figure S7. UV-Vis absorption spectra of (a) CPO and (b) CPS in different solvents. $c = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M, 20 °C.

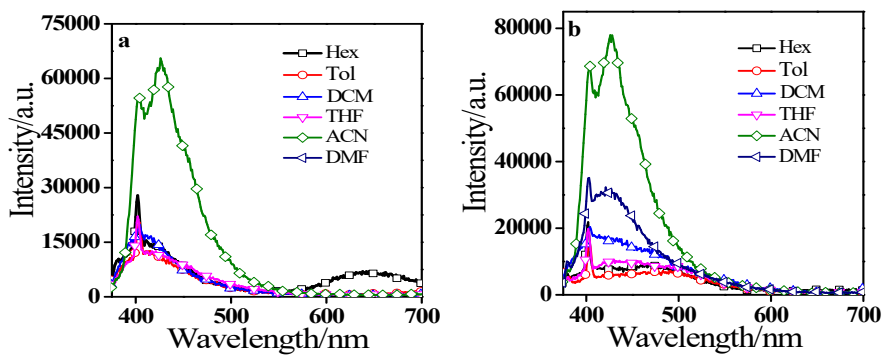


Figure S8. Fluorescence spectra of (a) CPO and (c) CPS in different solvents. ($\lambda_{ex}=360$ nm), $c = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M, 20 °C.

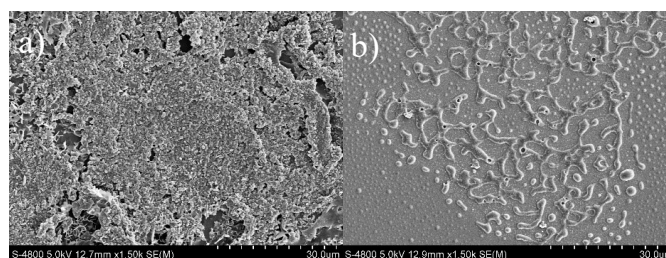


Figure S9 SEM images of (a) CPO and (b) CPS with a 99% water fraction.

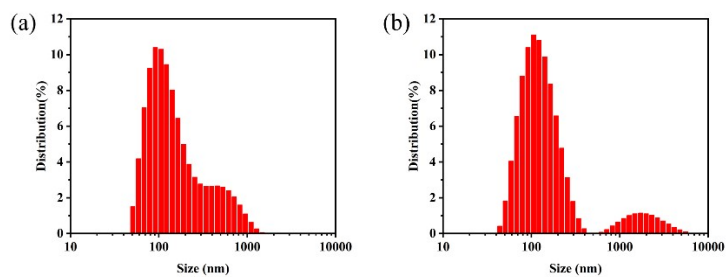


Figure S10 Size distributions of nanoparticles of (a) CPO and (b) CPS with a 99% water fraction.

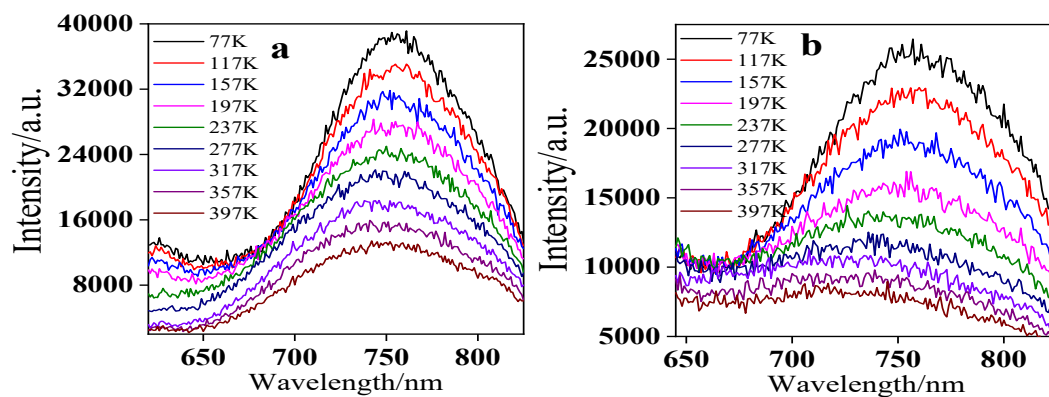


Figure S11. The normalized PL spectra of (a) CPO and (b) CPS in the solid state during heating from 77 to 397K.

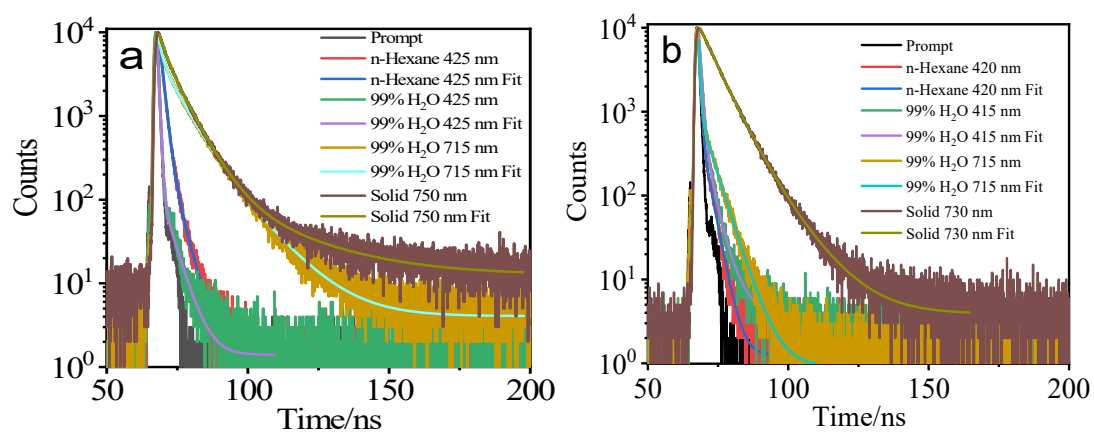


Figure S12. Decay profiles of fluorescence lifetime measurement of (a) CPO and (b) CPS in the solution, aggregation and solid state.

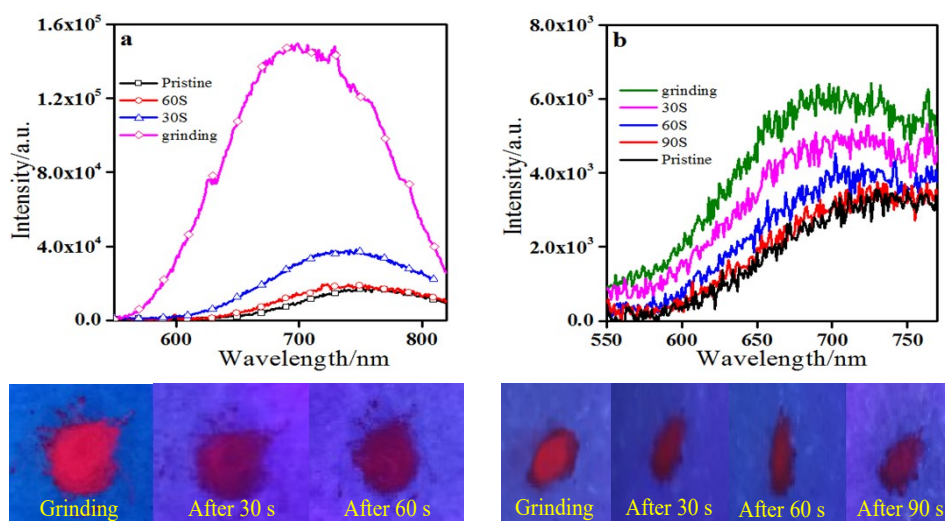


Figure S13. The self-recovering mechanochromic luminescence of (a) CPO and (b) CPS in solid at 60 °C, and the mechanochromic luminescence photographs of CPO and CPS changes with time under day and 365 nm UV light

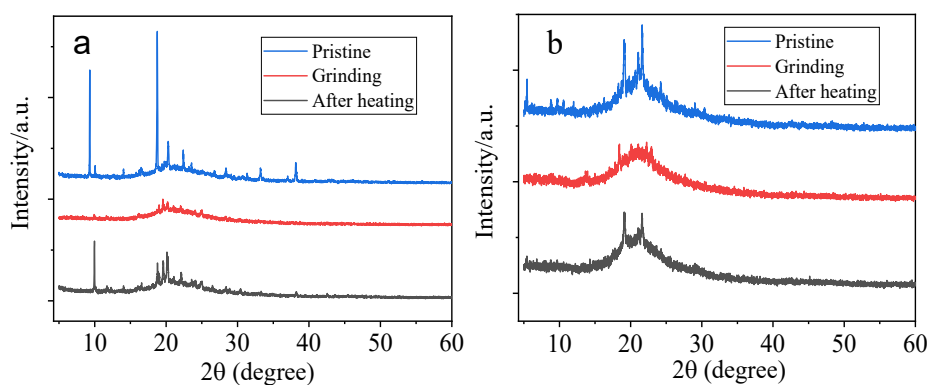


Figure S14. XRD patterns of CPO (a) CPS (b) in different solid-states: Pristine, Grinding and After heating.

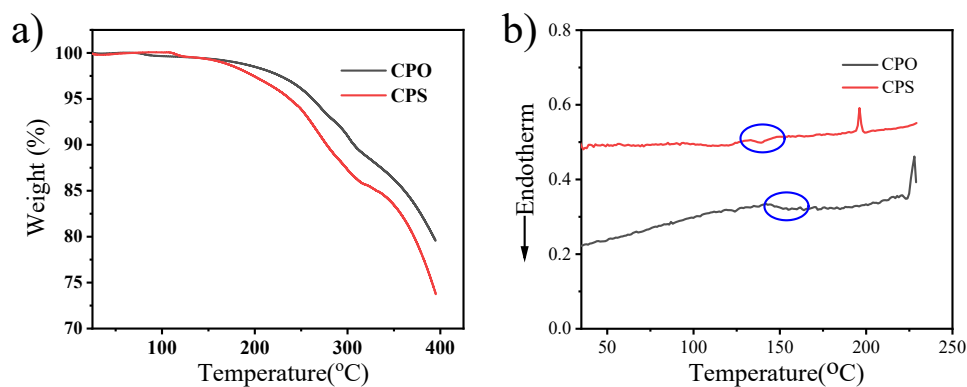


Figure S15. (a)TG and (b)DSC of CPO and CPS measured at a heating rate of 10 °C/min under N₂ atmosphere.

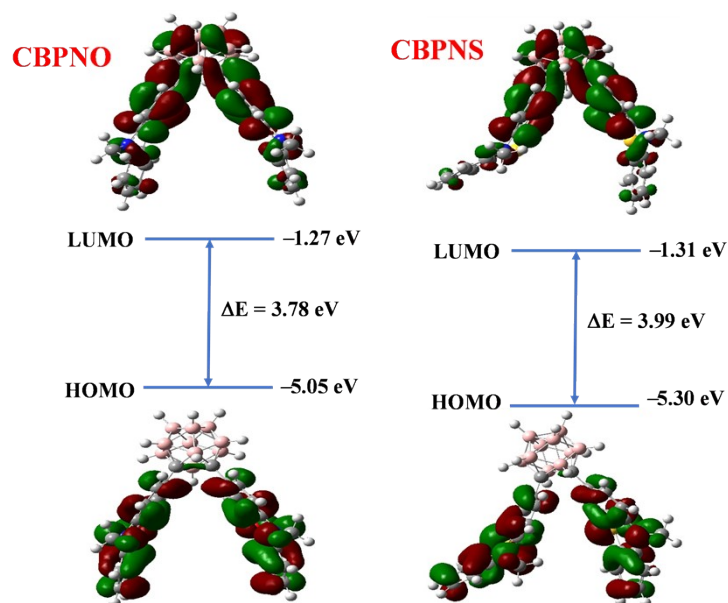


Figure S16. The electronic density contours and energy levels of the HOMOs and LUMOs of CPO and CPS were calculated by DFT at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level with Gaussian 09W.

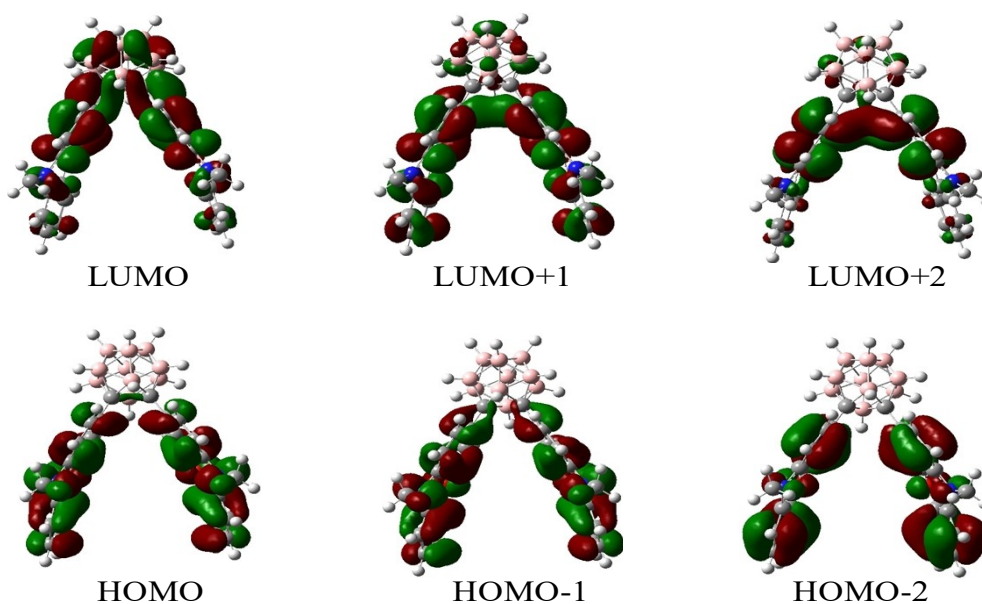


Figure S17. The theoretical calculated ground-state frontier orbitals contributions of CPO in gas phase using B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) level by Gaussian 09.

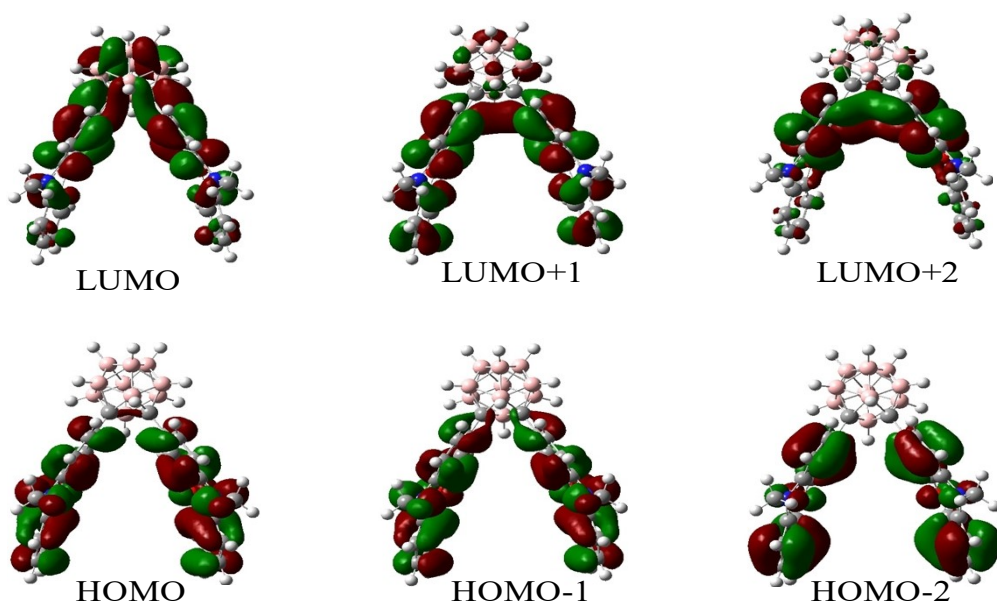


Figure S18. The theoretical calculated UV-vis absorption frontier orbitals contributions of CPO in gas state estimated by TD-DFT calculation at the B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) level by Gaussian 09.

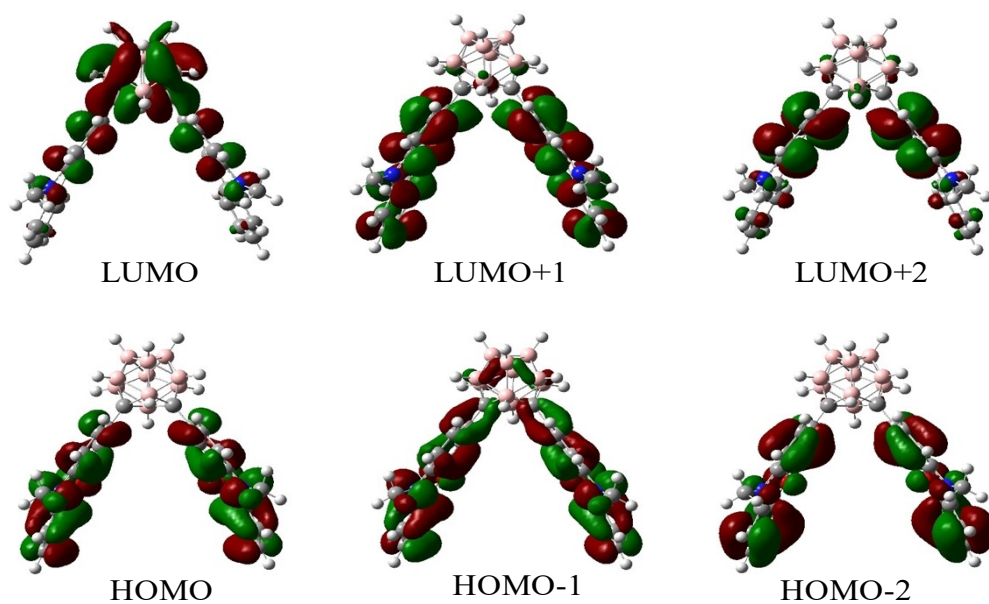


Figure S19. The theoretical calculated singlet state (Fluorescence) frontier orbitals contributions of CPO in gas state estimated by TD-DFT calculation at the B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) level by Gaussian 09.

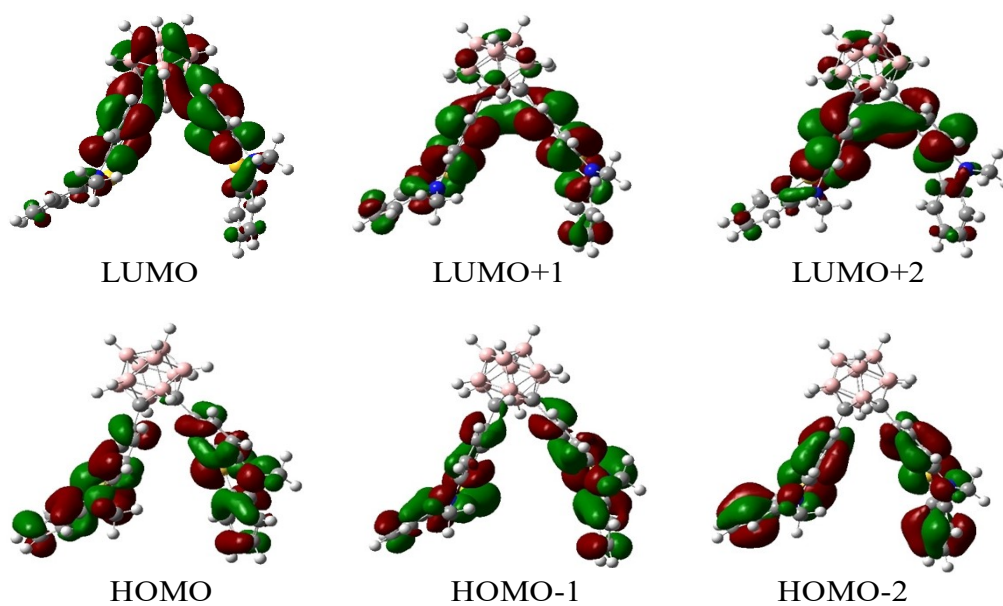


Figure S20. The theoretical calculated ground-state frontier orbitals contributions of CPS in gas sate using B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) level by Gaussian 09.

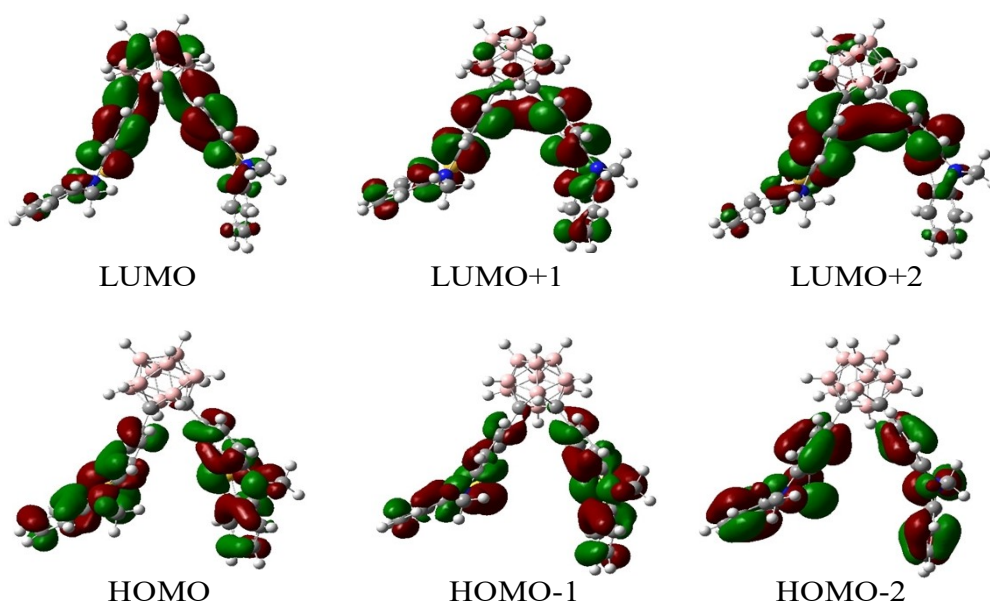


Figure S21. The theoretical calculated UV-Vis absorption frontier orbitals contributions of CPS in gas sate estimated by TD-DFT calculation at the B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) level by Gaussian 09.

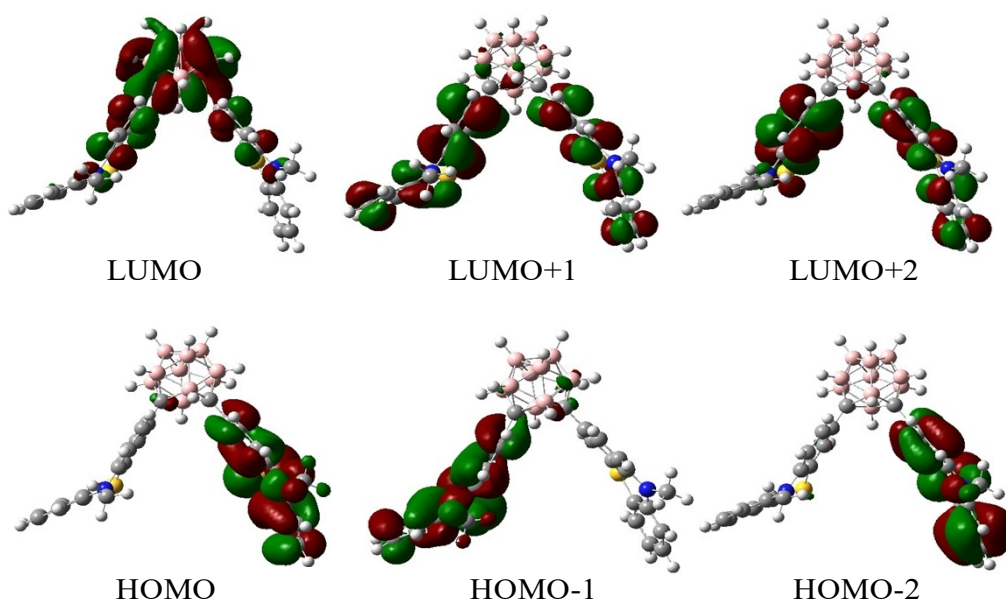


Figure S22. The theoretical calculated singlet state (Fluorescence) frontier orbitals contributions of CPS in gas state estimated by TD-DFT calculation at the B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) level by Gaussian 09.

Table S1. Selected parameters for the UV-vis absorption and Singlet state (Fluorescence) energy of the compounds. Electronic excitation energies (eV), oscillator strengths (f), and configurations of the low-lying excited states of CPO and CPS were calculated using TD-DFT//B3LYP/6-31G(d, p), based on the optimized ground state geometries.

Compound		Transition type	Excitation energy ^a	f^b	Composition ^c	CI ^d
CPO	UV-Vis	S ₀ →S ₁	3.2751 eV (379 nm)	0.1088	H→L	0.6843
		S ₀ →S ₂	3.3535 eV (370 nm)	0.1483	H-1→L	0.6845
	Fluorescence	S ₀ →S ₁	1.7305 eV (716 nm)	0.2198	H→L	0.7063
CPS	UV-Vis	S ₀ →S ₁	3.4373 eV (360 nm)	0.0799	H→L	0.6557
		S ₀ →S ₂	3.4856 eV (355 nm)	0.0728	H-1→L	0.6464
	Fluorescence	S ₀ →S ₁	1.4981 eV (827 nm)	0.1195	H→L	0.7055

^a Only selected excited states were considered. Numbers in parentheses are the excitation energy in wavelength. ^b Oscillator strength. ^c H stands for the HOMO and L stands for the LUMO. Only the main configurations are presented. ^d Coefficient of the wave function for each excitation. CI coefficients are given in absolute values.