Supporting Information for

Dicyanomethylenated Acridone Based Crystals: Torsional Vibration Confinement Induced Emission with Supramolecular Structure Dependent and Stimuli Responsive Characteristics

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Figure S1. (a) Fluorescent photographs of the acridone derivatives in dichloromethane solution $(1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M})$ under 365 nm light irradiation. (b) Fluorescent photographs of the solids of the acridone derivatives before and after grinding under 365 nm light irradiation.



Figure S2. TD-DFT (B3LYP/6-31G*, with inclusion of dichloromethane solvation) calculated geometries of the S_1 states of (a)DCNAC-C1 and (b) DPA-DCNA-C4. The S_1 states are twisted as observed in the ground states.



Figure S3. Top view of molecular packing structures and π - π overlaping illustrations of (a) DCNAC-C1, (b) DCNAC-C4 and (c) DCNAC-C6.



Figure S4. Side view of molecular columns of (a) DCNAC-C1, (b) DCNAC-C4, (c) conformer **1** of DCNAC-C6 and (d) conformer **2** of DCNAC-C6.



Figure S5. Photoluminescent spectra of pristine crystalline, ground and fumed ground solids of (a) DCNAC-C4, (b) DCNAC-C6 and (c) DPA-DCNAC-C4.



Figure S6. DSC curves of the as-crystallized and ground solids of (a) DCNAC-C1, (b) DCNAC-C4, (c) DCNAC-C6 and (d) DPA-DCNAC-C4. The inset in (d) shows the phase transition from amorphous to crystalline states.



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Figure S10. ¹³C NMR of DCNAC-C4 in CDCl₃.





Figure S12. ¹³C NMR of DCNAC-C6 in CDCl₃.



Figure S13. ¹H NMR of DPA-DCNAC-C4 in DMSO-*d*₆.



Figure S14. ¹³C NMR of DPA-DCNAC-C4 in CDCl₃.

		τ_1 [ns]	$\tau_2 [ns]$	τ_{ave}^{*3} [ns]
		$(a_1)^{*1}$	$(a_2)^{*2}$	
DCNAC-C1	solution	1.4×10^{-3}	2.1×10^{-2}	6.0×10^{-3}
		(0.98)	(0.02)	
	crystal	5.71	20.64	15.3
		(0.67)	(0.33)	
DCNAC-C4	solution	1.6×10 ⁻³	9.1×10^{-2}	5.0×10 ⁻²
		(0.98)	(0.02)	
	crystal	4.59	15.24	13.5
		(0.39)	(0.61)	
DCNAC-C6	solution	1.6×10^{-3}	5.7×10^{-2}	3.1×10^{-2}
		(0.97)	(0.03)	
	crystal	5.24	10.43	9.9
		(0.20)	(0.80)	
	amorphous	1.2×10^{-3}	9.4×10^{-3}	8.5×10^{-3}
	film	(0.49)	(0.51)	
DPA-DCNAC-C4	solution	2.1×10 ⁻³	2.5×10^{-2}	2.4×10^{-2}
		(0.36)	(0.64)	
	crystal	3.04	-	3.0
		(1.00)		

Table S1. Multiexponential fitting for femtosecond time-resolved fluorescence dynamics

^{*1} amplitudes of τ_1 .

^{*2} amplitudes of $\tau_{2.}$

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$$\tau_{ave} = \frac{\sum_i a_i \tau_i^2}{\sum_i a_i \tau}$$

	DCNAC C1 DCNAC C4		DCNAC-C6		
	DUNAU-UI DUNAU-U4	DCNAC-C4	1	2	DFA-DCNAC-C4
C1-N1-C2-C7	-168.50	-179.03	-173.60	-171.31	-175.14
N1-C2-C7-C8	4.40	6.90	6.07	5.94	4.31
C2-C7-C8-C9	149.37	154.26	148.22	145.26	150.96
C7-C8-C9-C10	-4.00	-1.60	-7.05	-4.78	-4.35
C1-N1-C2A-C7A	-168.50	-179.13	-174.30	-171.61	-176.18
N1-C2A-C7A-C8	4.40	6.80	7.24	6.52	6.81
C2A-C7A-C8-C9	149.37	154.26	147.69	145.01	149.66
C7A-C8-C9-C10A	-4.00	-2.10	-1.74	2.45	0
C4-C3-C2-C7	-1.93	-3.03	-4.26	-4.50	-5.43
C5-C6-C7-C2	-2.86	-3.97	-4.27	-4.37	-4.16
C4A-C3A-C2A-C7A	-1.93	-3.03	-3.35	-2.79	-2.26
C5A-C6A-C7A-C2A	-2.86	-5.16	-3.13	-3.38	-0.92

Table S2. Selected torsion angles for single crystals of DCNAC-C1, DCNAC-C4, DCNAC-C6 and DPA-DCNAC-C4



C17 H11 N3		
257.29		
293(2) K		
0.71073 Å		
Orthorhombic, Pnma		
$a = 18.319(4)$ Å $\alpha = 90$		
$b = 17.712(4) \text{ Å} \beta = 90$		
$c = 3.8324(8) \text{ Å} \qquad \gamma = 90$		
$1243.4(4) \text{ Å}^3$		
4, 1.374 Mg/m ³		
0.084 mm^{-1}		
536		
$0.10 \times 0.16 \times 0.21 \text{ mm}$		
3.20 to 27.38		
$-23 \le h \le 23, -22 \le k \le 22, -4 \le l \le 4$		
10827 / 1442 [R(int) = 0.0649]		
99.7 %		
0.9916 and 0.9916		
Full-matrix least-squares on F ²		
1442 / 0 / 120		
0.997		
R1 = 0.0516, $wR2 = 0.1372$		
R1 = 0.0748, $wR2 = 0.1507$		

 Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for DCNAC-C1 (CCDC no:

 1043414)

Table S4. Crystal data and structure refinement for DCNAC-C4 (CCDC no:1043451)

Empirical formula	C20 H17 N3	
Formula weight	299.37	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, P2(1)	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 10.158(2)$ Å $\alpha = 90$	
	$b = 7.2124(14) \text{ Å} \beta = 92.77(3)$	
	$c = 10.466(2) \text{ Å} \qquad \gamma = 90$	
Volume	765.8(3) Å ³	
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.298 Mg/m^3	
Absorption coefficient	0.078 mm^{-1}	
F(000)	316	
Crystal size	0.43 ×0.30 ×0.18 mm	
Theta range for data collection	0.992 to 27.46	
Limiting indices	$-13 \le h \le 13, -9 \le k \le 9, -11 \le l \le 13$	
Reflections collected / unique	7574 / 3466 [R(int) = 0.0314]	
Completeness to theta $= 27.46$	99.2 %	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9859 and 0.9675	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	
Data / restraints / parameters	3466 / 1 / 240	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.002	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0388, wR2 = 0.0867	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0537, wR2 = 0.0922	

10-0-10)	
Empirical formula	C22 H21 N3
Formula weight	327.42
Temperature	273(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, <i>Pca2</i> (1)
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 33.420(3) \text{ Å} \qquad \alpha = 90$
	$b = 4.3343(4) \text{ Å} \beta = 90$
	$c = 24.390(2) \text{ Å} \qquad \gamma = 90$
Volume	3533.0(5) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	8, 1.231 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.074 mm^{-1}
F(000)	1392
Crystal size	0.20 ×0.15 ×0.12 mm
Theta range for data collection	1.48 to 26.03
Limiting indices	$-41 \le h \le 41, -5 \le k \le 5, -30 \le l \le 25$
Reflections collected / unique	20780 / 6678 [R(int) = 0.0610]
Completeness to theta = 26.03	99.9 %
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	6678 / 1 / 451
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.036
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0548, wR2 = 0.0953
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0805, wR2 = 0.1059

Table S5. Crystal data and structure refinement for DCNAC-C6 (CCDC no:1043415)

 Table S6. Crystal data and structure refinement for DPA-DCNAC-C4 (CCDC no: 1043449)

Empirical formula	C44.50 H37 N5 O0.50	
Formula weight	649.79	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, P21/c	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 17.877(4)$ Å $\alpha = 90$	
	$b = 15.807(3)$ Å $\beta = 99.92(3)$	
	$c = 13.041(3) \text{ Å} \qquad \gamma = 90$	
Volume	3630.1(14) Å ³	
Z, Calculated density	4, 1.189 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.072 mm^{-1}	
F(000)	1372	
Crystal size	$0.19 \times 0.15 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$	
Theta range for data collection	3.03 to 25.00	
Limiting indices	$-20 \le h \le 21, -18 \le k \le 18, -13 \le l \le 15$	
Reflections collected / unique	23592 / 6282 [R(int) = 0.1150]	
Completeness to theta $= 25.00$	98.1 %	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9915 and 0.9865	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	6282 / 12 / 463	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.971	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0917, $wR2 = 0.2348$	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1854, wR2 = 0.3052	