

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR

Efficient Synthesis of 3,4-Diphenyl-Substituted Maleimides from Readily Prepared Diphenylfumaronitrile Derivatives

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Three CIF files in separate files:

i5823cif: bis(4-methoxyphenyl)fumaronitrile

i5852cif: bis(4-bromophenyl)fumaronitrile

ic9246cif: bis(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)fumaronitrile

General

The quantum yields of red emitting fluorene derivatives were determined by integrating-sphere method described by de Mello *et al.* on vacuum deposited thin films.^{s1} HeCd laser beam (325 or 442 nm) interacts with a liquid or solid sample located inside an integrating sphere with internal diffuse white reflectance coating. Through a baffle-blocked opening, the uniformly scattered radiation is coupled to a fused-silica fiber and is detected by a spectrally-calibrated spectrometer-CCD system. We estimate the error of ϕ_f by repeated measurements on several dyes with known ϕ_f values. Nile Red (in 1,4-dioxane) was one of the fluorescent dyes and the corresponding ϕ_f was determined as $67\pm5\%$, which was quite close to the literature value of 68% .^{s2}

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X-ray Crystal Structure Determinations.

Single crystals of bis(4-bromophenyl)fumaronitrile, bis(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)fumaronitrile and bis(4-methoxyphenyl)fumaronitrile suitable for X-ray diffraction studies were grown by slowly evaporation of solutions of chloroform/hexane, diethyl ether/methanol, and dichloromethane containing the fumaronitriles, respectively. Data collection was carried out on a Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer for bis(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)fumaronitrile, and Enraf-nonius CAD4 diffractometer for bis(4-bromophenyl)fumaronitrile and bis(4-methoxyphenyl)fumaronitrile. The radiation of Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.7107$ Å) was used for three crystals. Details of the structure determination of both compounds are given in Table S1.

For bis(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)fumaronitrile, the chosen crystals were mounted on a glass fiber. Cell parameters were retrieved and refined using *DENZO-SMN* software^{s3a} on all reflections. Data reduction was performed with the *DENZO-SMN* software.^{s3a} An empirical absorption was based on the symmetry-equivalent reflections and applied the data using the *SORTAV* program.^{s3b} Using *SHELXTL* program on PC computer made the structure analysis. The structure was solved using the *SHELXS-90* program^{s3c} and refined using *SHELXL-97* program^{s3d} by full-matrix least squares on F^2 values. All of non-hydrogen atoms are refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms attached to the carbons were fixed at calculated positions and refined using a riding mode. For bis(4-bromophenyl)fumaronitrile and bis(4-methoxyphenyl)fumaronitrile, unit cell parameters were obtained by a least-squares fit to the automatically centered settings for 25 reflections. Intensity data were collected by using $\omega/2\theta$ scan mode. Corrections were made for Lorentz

and polarisation effects. The structures were solved by direct methods *SHELX-97*.^{10d} All non-hydrogen atoms were located from the difference Fourier maps and were refined by full-matrix least-squares procedures. Hydrogen atoms were calculated and refined with an overall isotropic temperature factor. Calculations and full-matrix least-squares refinements were performed utilizing the *WINGX* program package.^{s3e}

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Table S1. Crystallographic Data for bis(4-bromophenyl)fumaronitrile (A), bis(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)fumaronitrile (B), and bis(4-methoxyphenyl)fumaronitrile (C)

	A	B	C
Chemical formula	C ₁₆ H ₈ Br ₂ N ₂	C ₁₈ H ₈ F ₆ N ₂	C ₁₈ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₂
Formula Weight	434.01	366.26	290.31
Temperature (K)	300(2)	150(1)	300(2)
Space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	7.9926(9)	8.0331(10)	3.907(1)
<i>b</i> (Å)	9.4626(12)	11.967(2)	23.189(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	10.6914(15)	8.7219(13)	8.020(1)
α (°)	92.131(11)	90	90
β (°)	110.063(10)	115.331(7)	97.83(1)
γ (°)	74.017(10)	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	728.70(16)	758.34(19)	719.8
<i>Z</i>	2	2	2
ρ_{calc} (g/cm ³)	1.769	1.604	1.339
μ (mm ⁻¹)	5.552	0.148	0.089
<i>F</i> (000)	376	368	304
λ (Mo K α) (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
<i>R</i> (<i>F</i> _o) ^a (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	0.0259	0.0507	0.0319
<i>R</i> _w (<i>F</i> _o) ^b (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	0.0569	0.1121	0.0811
Reflection collected	2758	3717	1454
Unique reflections	2559	1330	1263
Absorption correction	Psi-scan	Semi-empirical from equivalents	Psi-scan
Refinement on	<i>F</i> ²	<i>F</i> ²	<i>F</i> ²
Parameters refined	182	119	101
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.047	1.046	1.070

^a $R = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$. ^b $R_w = [\Sigma \{w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2\} / \Sigma \{w(F_o^2)^2\}]^{1/2}$.

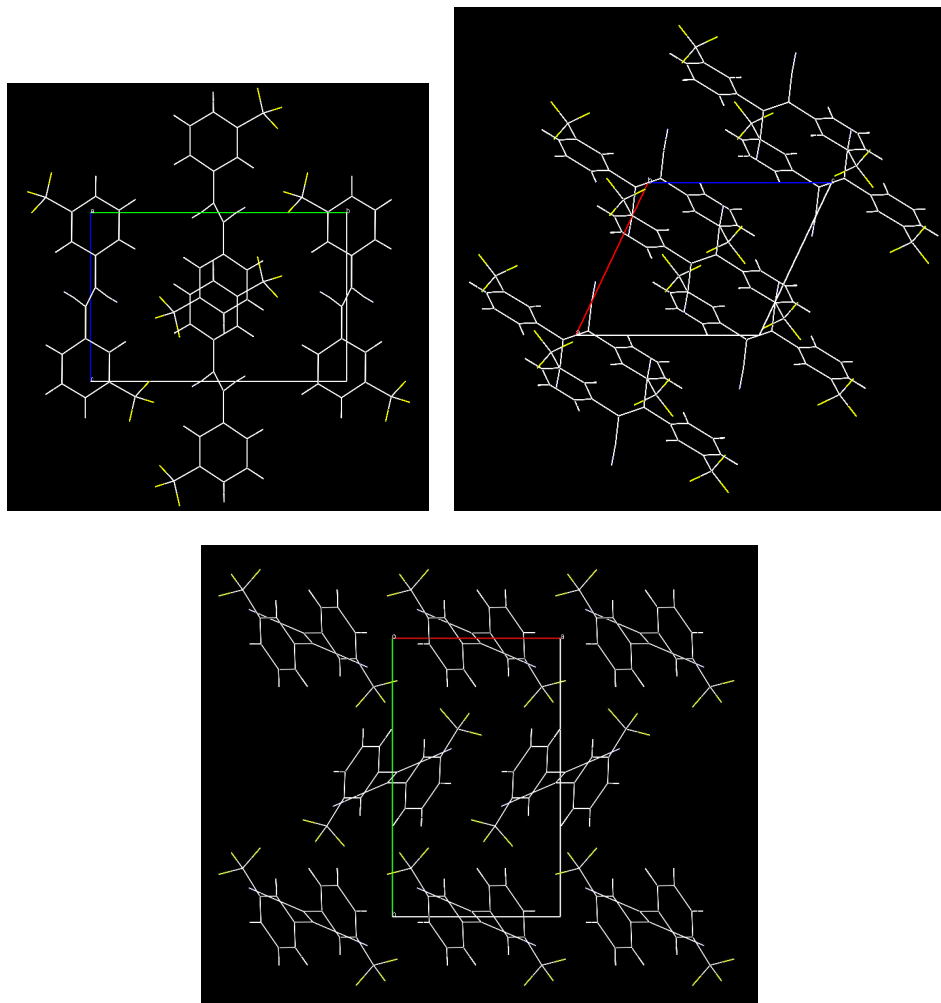


FIGURE S1. Crystal packing diagrams of bis(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)fumaronitrile viewing along *a*-axis (top left), *b*-axis (top right), and *c*-axis (bottom).

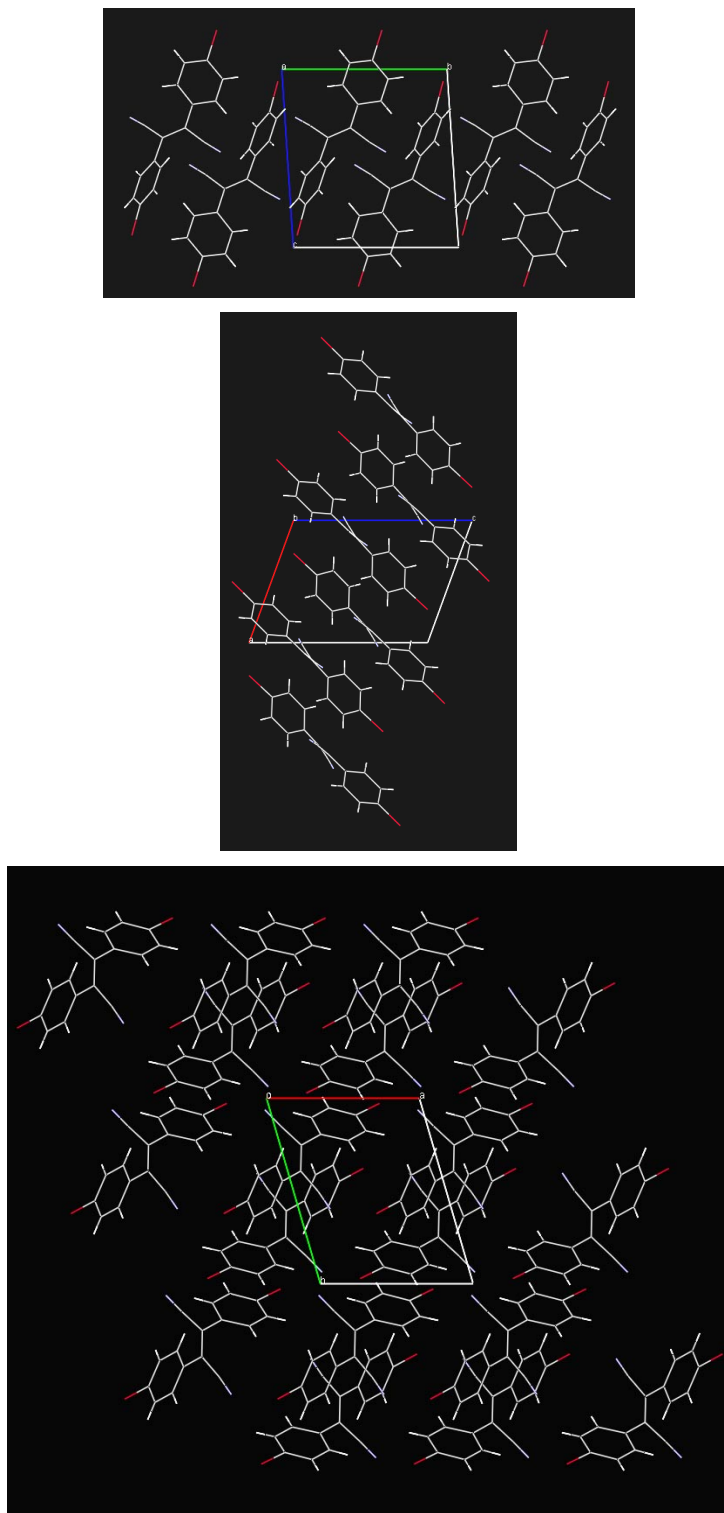


FIGURE S2. Crystal packing diagrams of bis(4-bromophenyl)fumaronitrile viewing along *a*-axis (top), *b*-axis (center), and *c*-axis (bottom).