

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR data for 5-7

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C, 400.1 MHz); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°, 100.6 MHz).

**5:** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, δ = 7.07 (td, H<sub>2'</sub>, H<sub>7'</sub>), 7.12 (td, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>7</sub>), 7.27 (td, H<sub>3'</sub>, H<sub>6'</sub>), 7.36 (td, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>6</sub>), 7.37 (ddd, H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 7.72 (ddd, H<sub>4'</sub>, H<sub>5'</sub>), 7.89 (ddd, H<sub>1'</sub>, H<sub>8'</sub>), 8.13 (ddd, H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>8</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, δ = 117.63 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>), 119.43 (C<sub>4'</sub>, C<sub>5'</sub>), 122.79 (C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>7</sub>), 124.27 (C<sub>1'</sub>, C<sub>8'</sub>), 124.80 (C<sub>8a</sub>, C<sub>9a</sub>), 125.85 (C<sub>2'</sub>, C<sub>7'</sub>), 127.44 (C<sub>3'</sub>, C<sub>6'</sub>), 129.93 (C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>), 130.86 (C<sub>9</sub>), 130.99 (C<sub>9'</sub>), 139.34 (C<sub>8a'</sub>, C<sub>9a'</sub>), 140.28 (C<sub>4a'</sub>, C<sub>4b'</sub>), 154.02 (C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>10a</sub>) ppm.

**6:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR, δ = 1.23 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 2.90 (heptet, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.04-7.11 (2×td, H<sub>2'</sub>, H<sub>7'</sub>), 7.12 (td, J = 8.0 Hz, J = 6.7 Hz, H<sub>7</sub>), 7.25-7.32 (m, H<sub>3'</sub>, H<sub>6'</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>), 7.36-7.40 (m, H<sub>5</sub>, H<sub>6</sub>), 7.74 (ddd, J = 7.6 Hz, H<sub>4'</sub>, H<sub>5'</sub>), 7.91 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, H<sub>1'</sub>, H<sub>8'</sub>), 8.01 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, H<sub>1</sub>), 8.14, (ddd, J = 8.1 Hz, H<sub>8</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, δ = 24.08, 33.76, 117.25 (C<sub>4</sub> or C<sub>5</sub>), 117.61 (C<sub>5</sub> or C<sub>4</sub>), 119.35 (C<sub>5'</sub> or C<sub>4'</sub>), 119.40 (C<sub>4'</sub> or C<sub>5'</sub>), 122.58 (C<sub>7</sub>), 124.29 (C<sub>1'</sub> or C<sub>8'</sub>), 124.38, 124.55 (C<sub>8</sub> or C<sub>1'</sub>), 124.81, 125.62 (C<sub>3'</sub> or C<sub>6'</sub>), 125.77 (C<sub>6'</sub> or C<sub>3</sub>), 127.32 (C<sub>7'</sub>), 127.37 (C<sub>2</sub>), 127.64 (C<sub>1</sub>), 128.54 (C<sub>3</sub>), 129.78 (C<sub>6</sub>), 129.97 (C<sub>8</sub>), 130.43, 131.27, 139.27, 140.18, 140.21, 143.15, 152.21, 154.20 ppm.

**7:** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, δ = 7.10 (td, J = 8.1 Hz, J = 7.3 Hz, H<sub>3'</sub>), 7.13-7.17 (m, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>7</sub>), 7.33 (td, J = 8.6 Hz, J = 7.6 Hz, H<sub>2'</sub>), 7.36-7.45 (m, H<sub>7'</sub>, H<sub>8'</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>6</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 7.62 (ddd, J = 7.5 Hz, H<sub>6'</sub>), 7.85-7.91 (m, H<sub>1'</sub>, H<sub>4'</sub>, H<sub>9'</sub>), 8.07 (ddd, J = 7.5 Hz, H<sub>1</sub>), 8.10 (s, H<sub>5'</sub>), 8.23 (ddd, J = 7.5 Hz, H<sub>8</sub>), 8.40 (s, H<sub>10'</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, δ = 117.09 (C<sub>5'</sub>), 117.64, 117.88, 120.24, 122.61 (C<sub>2</sub> or C<sub>7</sub>), 122.70 (C<sub>7</sub> or C<sub>2</sub>), 123.48 (C<sub>10'</sub>), 124.62, 125.35, 125.37, 125.37, 125.41, 126.15, 126.49 (C<sub>3</sub>), 127.93, 127.98, 128.87, 128.87, 128.99 (C<sub>6'</sub>), 129.12 (C<sub>8</sub>), 129.26 (C<sub>1</sub>), 129.58, 129.70, 130.59, 132.43, 133.21, 137.67, 138.53, 140.25, 140.75, 154.59 (C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>10a</sub>) ppm.

### <sup>13</sup>C-DNMR results for 6.

	δ at 295 K ppm	T <sub>c</sub> K	Δν <sub>c</sub> Hz	ΔG <sub>c</sub> <sup>‡</sup> kJ/mol
Inversion process (in CDFCl <sub>2</sub> )				
CH <sub>3</sub>	24.08	134±2	57	26.5±0.5
<i>E, Z</i> -Topomerization process (in CDCl <sub>3</sub> )				
	140.21, 140.19	344	1.3	81.6
	139.37, 139.32	357	3.7	81.8
C <sub>2'</sub> , C <sub>7'</sub>	127.37, 127.33	357.3	3.4	82.1
C <sub>4'</sub> , C <sub>5'</sub>	119.40, 119.35	357.3	3.6	81.8
<i>E, Z</i> -Topomerization process (in toluene-d <sub>8</sub> )				
	141.14, 141.09	363.5	5.1	82.3
	140.15, 140.12	356	2.9	82.2
C <sub>2'</sub> , C <sub>7'</sub>	126.12, 125.87	381	23	81.6
C <sub>4'</sub> , C <sub>5'</sub>	119.83, 119.80	357	2.6	82.8