

Supporting Information

Molecular Cocrystals with Hydrogen-Bonded Polymeric Structures and Polarized Luminescence

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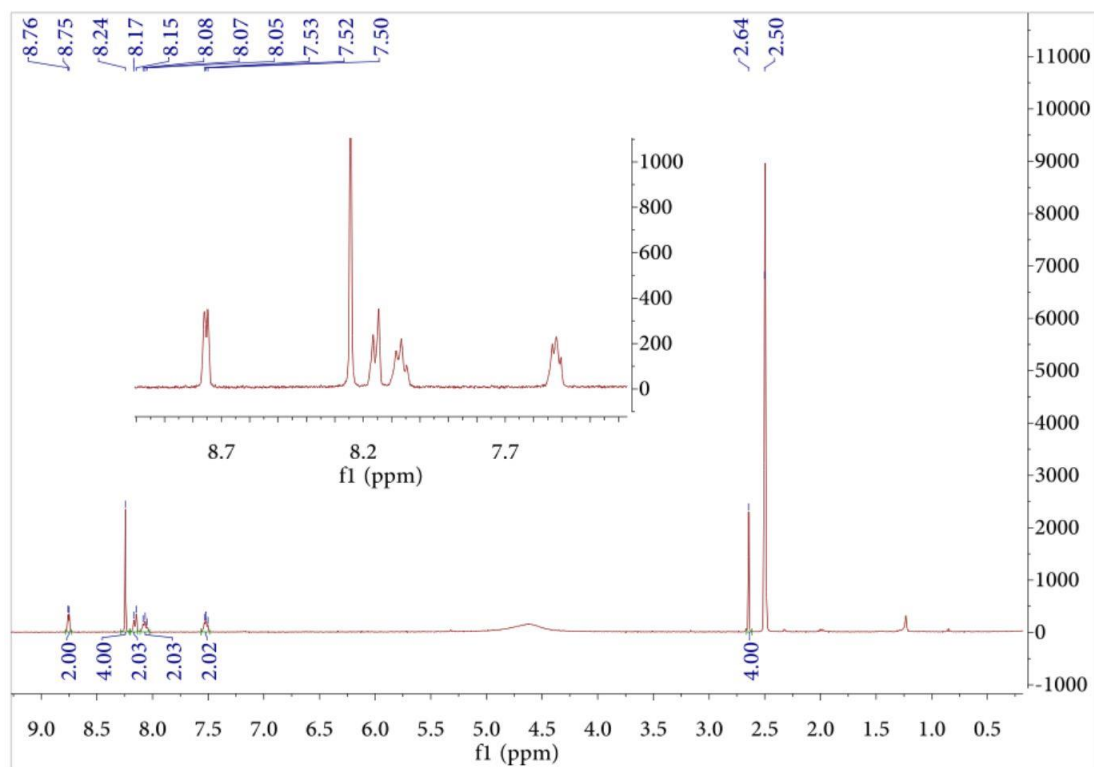


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of **4** in DMSO-d_6 .

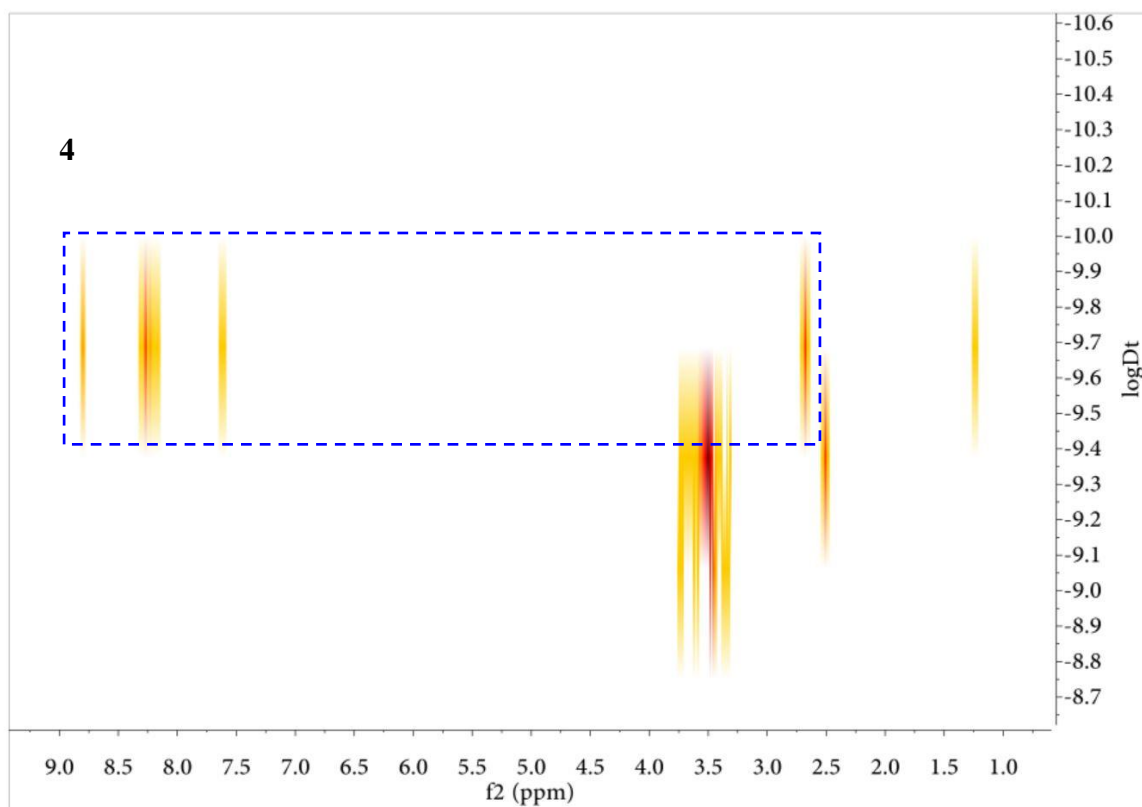


Figure S2. ^1H DOSY NMR spectrum of **4** in DMSO-d_6 .

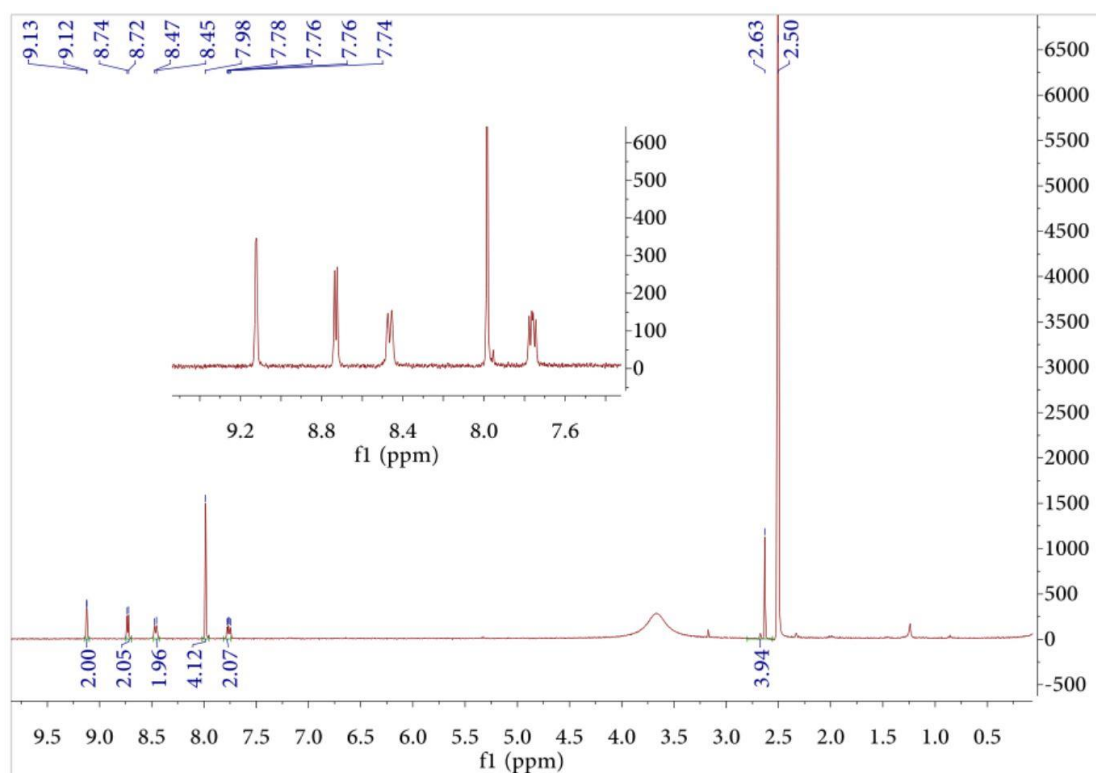


Figure S3. ^1H NMR spectrum of **5** in DMSO-d_6 .

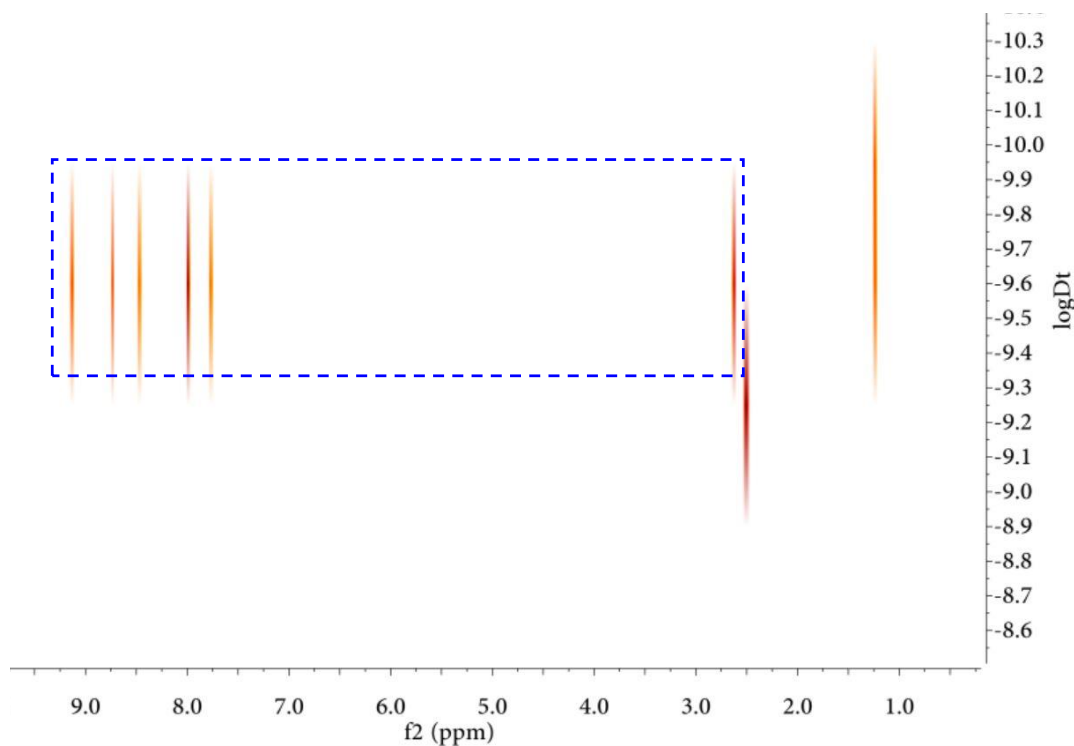


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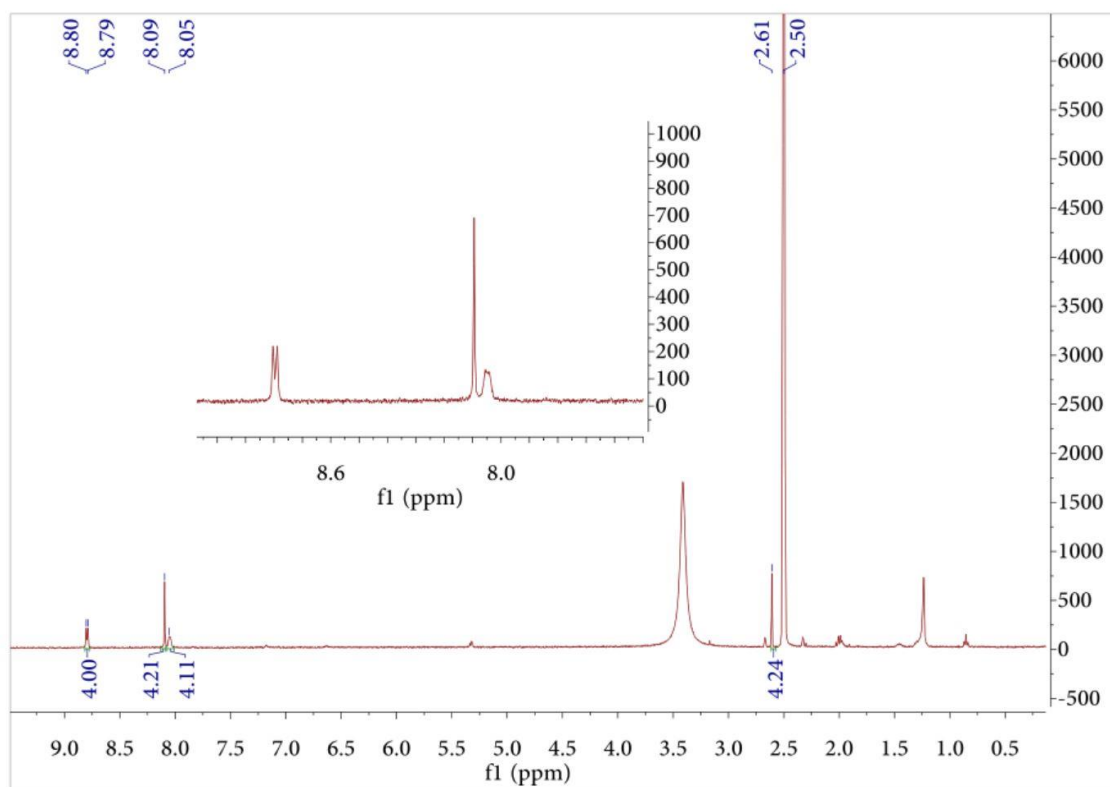


Figure S5. ¹H NMR spectrum of **6** in DMSO-d₆.

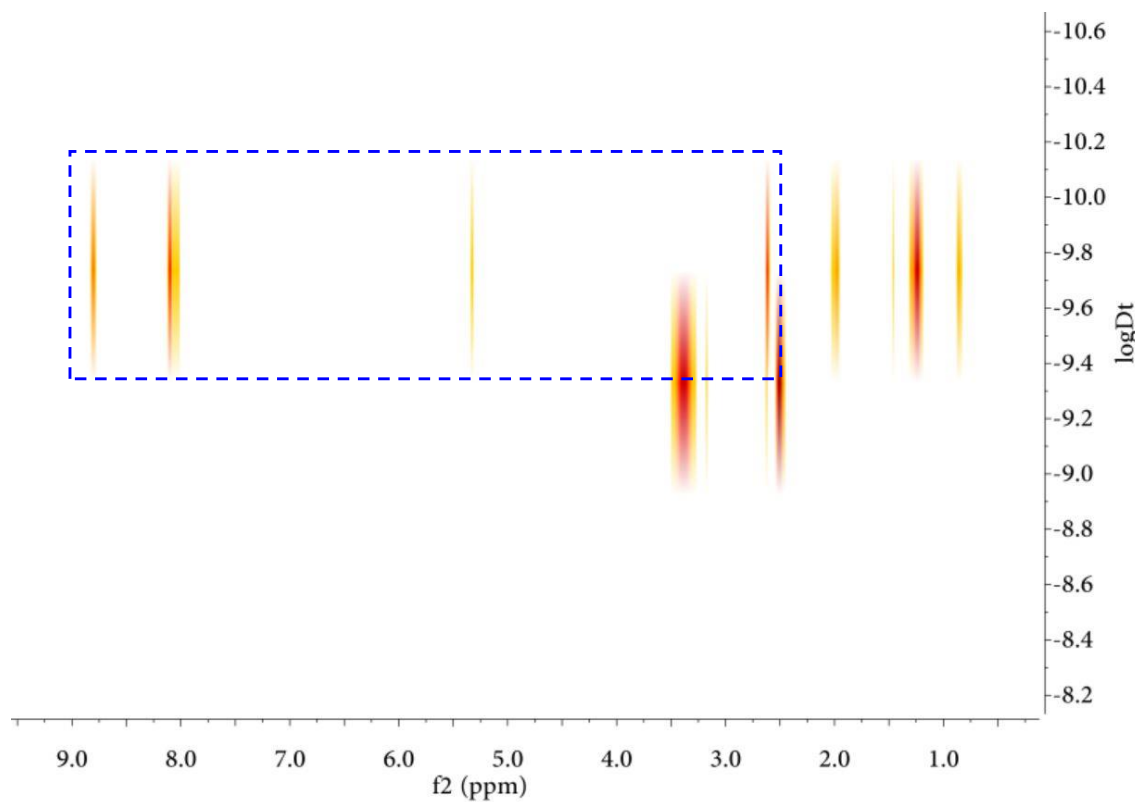


Figure S6. ¹H DOSY NMR spectrum of **6** in DMSO-d₆.

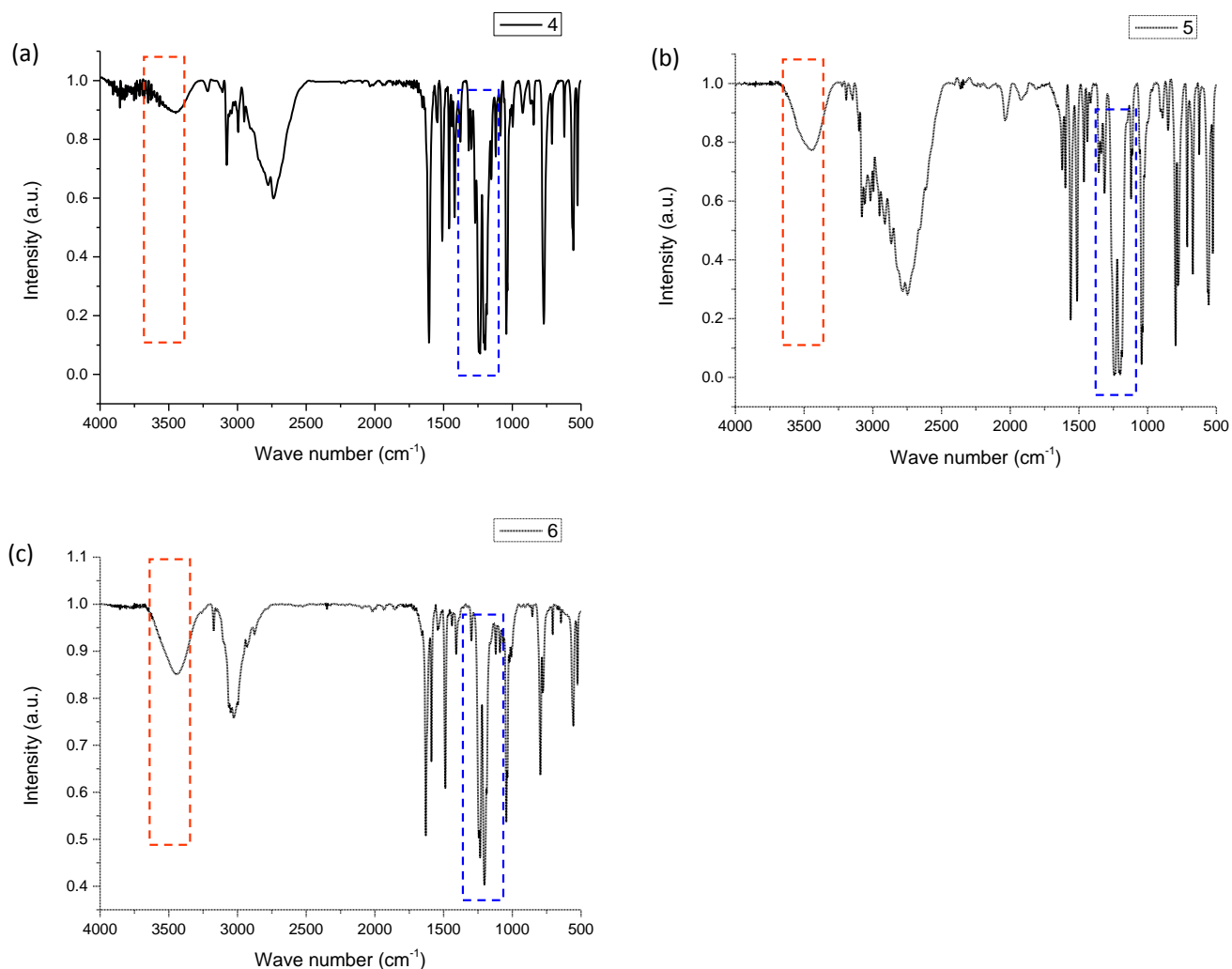


Figure S7. FTIR spectrum of the microcrystals of (a) **4**, (b) **5**, and (c) **6** as KBr pellet. The bands at around 3500 cm^{-1} are assigned to the vibrations of hydrogen bonds. The two bands at around 1200 cm^{-1} are ascribed to the symmetric and asymmetric stretching vibrations of the sulfonate groups.

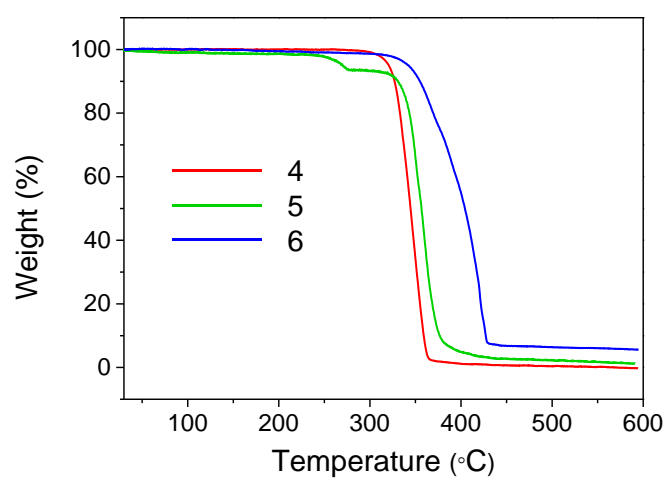


Figure S8. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of the microcrystals of **4**, **5**, and **6** with a temperature rate of 10 °C /min in a nitrogen environment (200 mL/min).

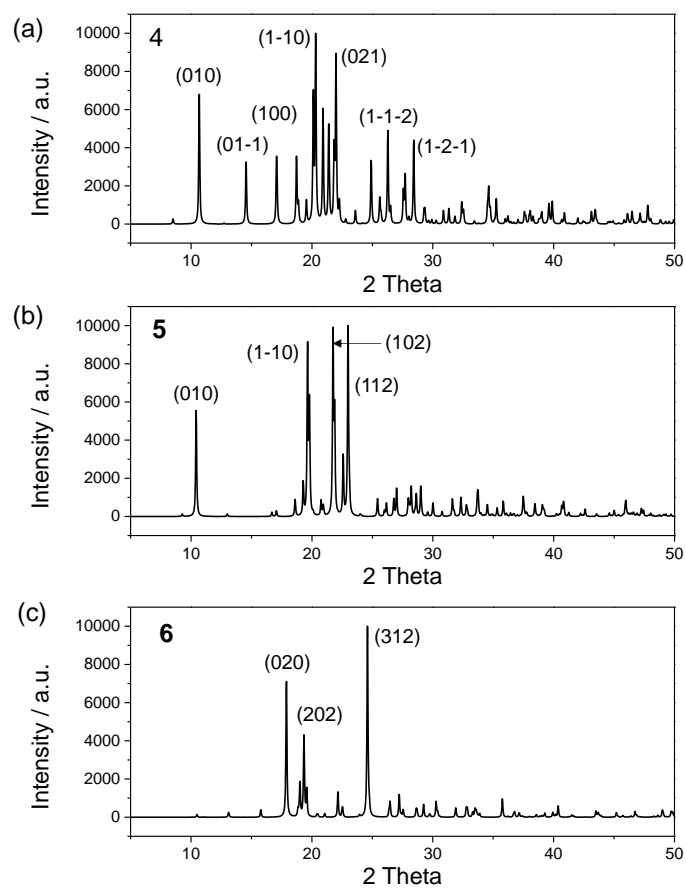


Figure S9. Simulated powder XRD patterns of (a) **4**, (b) **5**, and (c) **6** based on their single-crystal data.

Table S1. Photophysics data of microcrystals of **4** – **6**.^a

Compound	$\lambda_{\text{emi}}/\text{nm}$	$\Phi/\%$	τ/ns	$k_r/10^7 \text{ s}^{-1}$	$k_{\text{nr}}/10^7 \text{ s}^{-1}$
4	385	12.9	4.8	2.67	18.03
5	456	27.7	11.7	2.38	6.20
6	466	18.0	1.8	9.94	45.30

^a Φ is absolute quantum yield. τ is averaged life time. See further details in Figure S2. $k_r = \Phi/\tau$; $k_{\text{nr}} = (1 - \Phi)/\tau$.

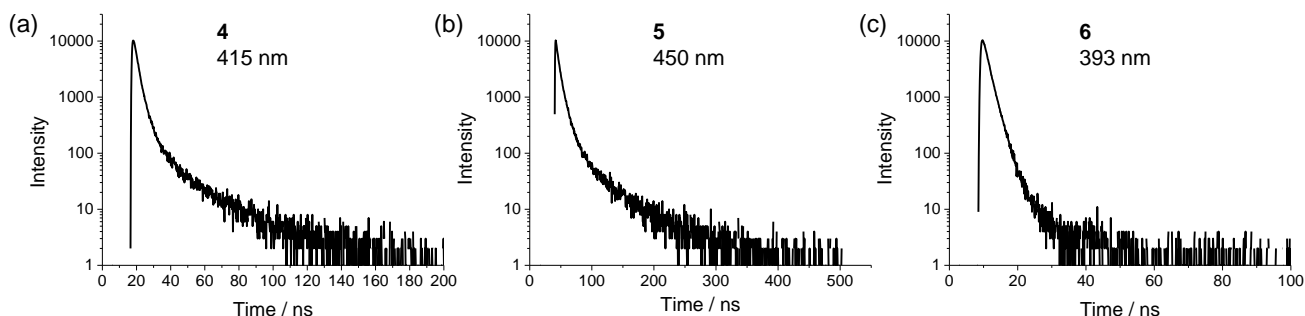


Figure S10. Lifetime decay curves for microcrystals of (a) **4**, (b) **5**, and (c) **6**.

Decay curves for microcrystals of **4**, and **5** are tri-exponentially fitted and the decay of **6** is bi-exponentially fitted. The average lifetimes (τ_{ave}) are reported in Table S1, which are determined by $\tau_{\text{ave}} = \alpha_1\tau_1 + \alpha_2\tau_2 + \alpha_3\tau_3$.

For microcrystals of **4**, $\tau_{\text{ave}} = 4.83 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_1 = 2.27 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_2 = 6.56 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_3 = 24.11 \text{ ns}$, $\alpha_1 = 74.9\%$, $\alpha_2 = 16.7\%$, $\alpha_3 = 8.4\%$;

for microcrystals of **5**, $\tau_{\text{ave}} = 11.66 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_1 = 3.72 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_2 = 8.70 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_3 = 42.34 \text{ ns}$, $\alpha_1 = 32.0\%$, $\alpha_2 = 54.4\%$, $\alpha_3 = 13.6\%$;

for microcrystals of **6**, $\tau_{\text{ave}} = 1.81 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_1 = 1.53 \text{ ns}$, $\tau_2 = 3.47 \text{ ns}$, $\alpha_1 = 85.8\%$, $\alpha_2 = 14.2\%$.

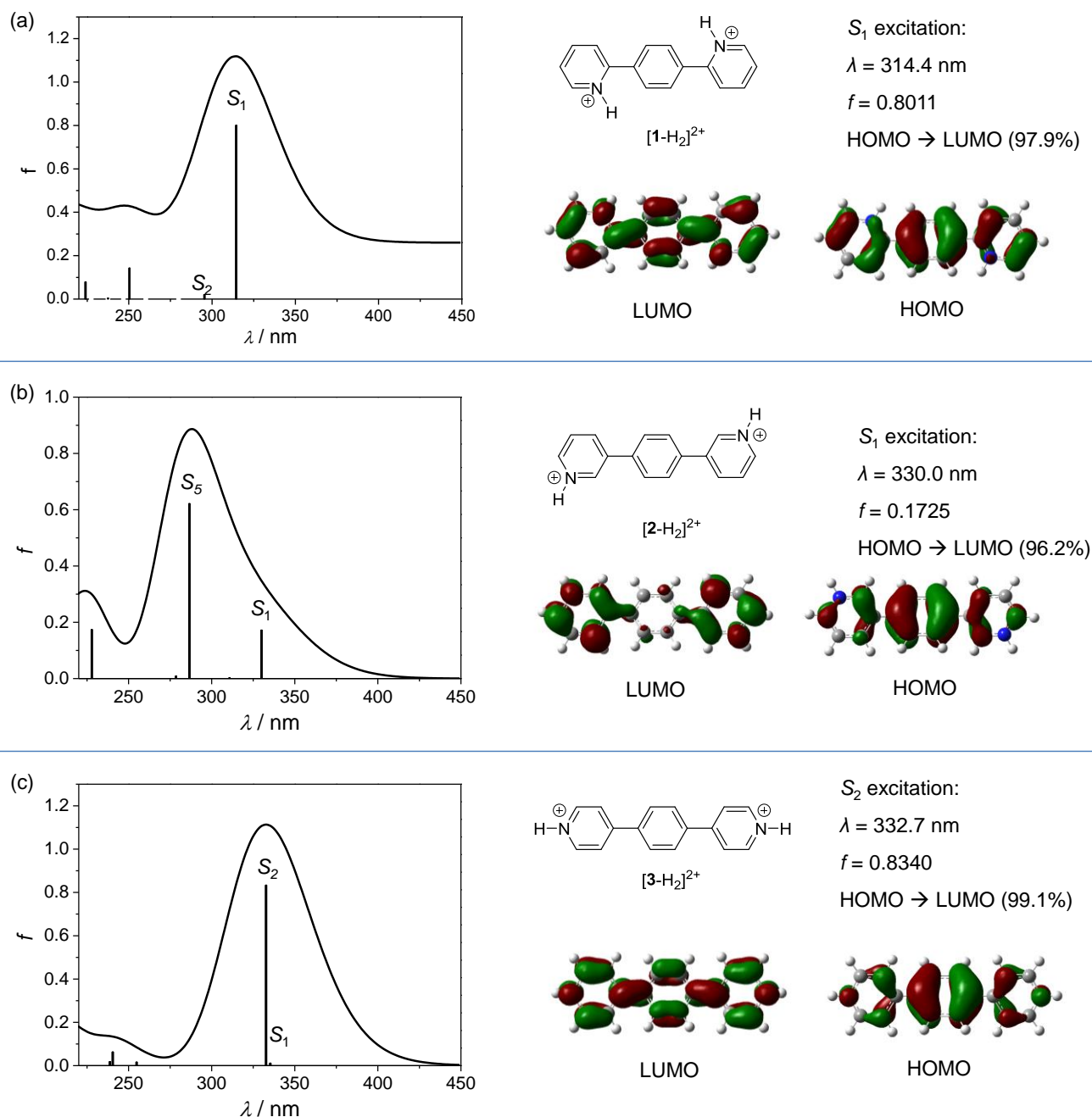


Figure S11. TDDFT calculation results of (a) $[1-H_2]^{2+}$, (b) $[2-H_2]^{2+}$, and (c) $[3-H_2]^{2+}$. Left: TDDFT-predicted vertical excitations. Right: chemical structures, DFT-calculated frontier orbitals, and the calculated wavelength (λ), oscillator strength (f), and percent contribution for the HOMO \rightarrow LUMO excitation.

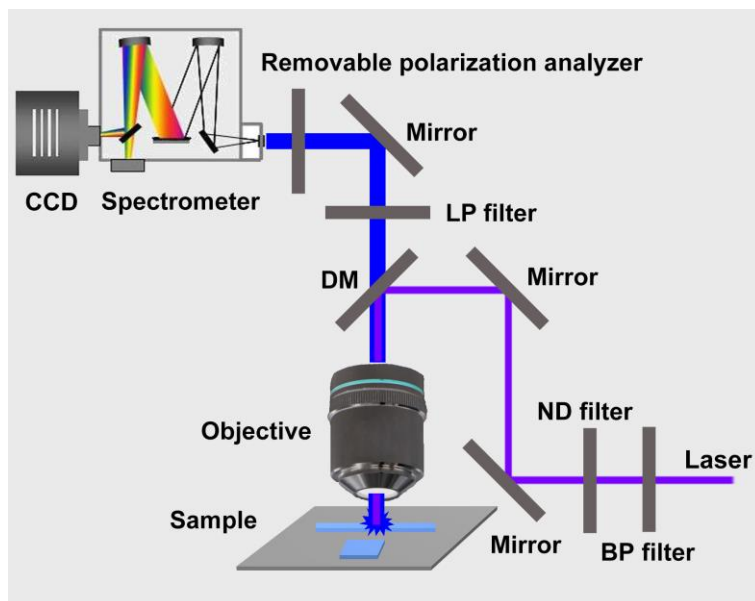


Figure S12. Schematic demonstration of the experimental setup for polarized luminescence characterization for a single microcrystal. CCD: charge coupled device; LP filter: long-pass filter; DM: dichroic mirror; ND filter: neutral density filter; BP filter: band-pass filter. The polarization luminescence information of the microcrystal is probed by a removable polarization analyzer plate.

The excitation laser beam (CW, 405 nm) was filtered with a 405/10 nm band-pass filter and then focused down to a 10- μ m diameter spot through an objective lens (Olympus M Plan, \times 20, N.A. = 0.4) as a nearly uniform pump source. The power at the input was altered by a neutral density filter. The emissions from individual microcrystals were collected by the same objective with a back-scattering configuration and analyzed by Princeton Instrument HRS-300S spectrometer with a thermoelectric-cooled PIXIS 256BR CCD after removing the excitation beam with a 420-nm long-pass filter. The removable polarization analyzer was used before the spectrometer when collecting polarized luminescent spectra of the microcrystals.