



Dye no.	$\lambda_{max}$ (nm)		$\lambda$ (nm) <sup>a</sup>	$\epsilon_{max}$	$F_{max}$ (nm) <sup>b,c</sup>		$F$ (nm) <sup>d</sup>	SS (nm) <sup>e</sup>	$\Phi_F$ (%) <sup>f</sup>
	In CHCl <sub>3</sub>	In Film			In CHCl <sub>3</sub>	In Film			
<b>1b</b>	546	455, 589	-91, 43	154,700	593	— <sup>g</sup>	— <sup>g</sup>	47	0.5
<b>2b</b>	547	541, 593	-6, 46	150,000	591	664	73	44	0.6
<b>3b</b>	546	649	103	138,000	593	692	99	47	0.4
<b>4b</b>	546	623	77	150,000	593	671	78	47	0.3
<b>5b</b>	546	612	66	147,500	593	652	59	47	0.6
<b>6b</b>	546	605	59	138,000	593	656	63	47	0.5
<b>7b</b>	547	604	57	143,700	593	644	51	46	0.6
<b>8b</b>	555	440, 587	-75, 32	137,800	601	— <sup>g</sup>	— <sup>g</sup>	46	0.2
<b>9b</b>	550	615	65	134,800	597	647	50	47	0.4
<b>10b</b>	556	659	103	123,000	601	680	79	45	0.6
<b>11b</b>	556	621	65	124,300	601	650	49	45	1.4
<b>12b</b>	557	621	64	124,500	601	652	51	44	0.9
<b>13b</b>	555	601	46	125,900	601	640	39	46	1.4
<b>14b</b>	555	596	41	128,500	601	624	23	46	1.5

<sup>a</sup> $\Delta\lambda = \lambda_{max}(\text{film}) - \lambda_{max}(\text{solution})$ .

<sup>b</sup> $F_{max}$  (solution) excited at  $\lambda_{max}$  (solution) value.

<sup>c</sup>Solid state  $F_{max}$  excited at  $\lambda_{max}$  (film) value.

<sup>d</sup> $\Delta F = F_{max}(\text{solid}) - F_{max}(\text{solution})$ .

<sup>e</sup>Stokes shift,  $F_{max} - \lambda_{max}$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution.

<sup>f</sup>Fluorescence quantum yield.

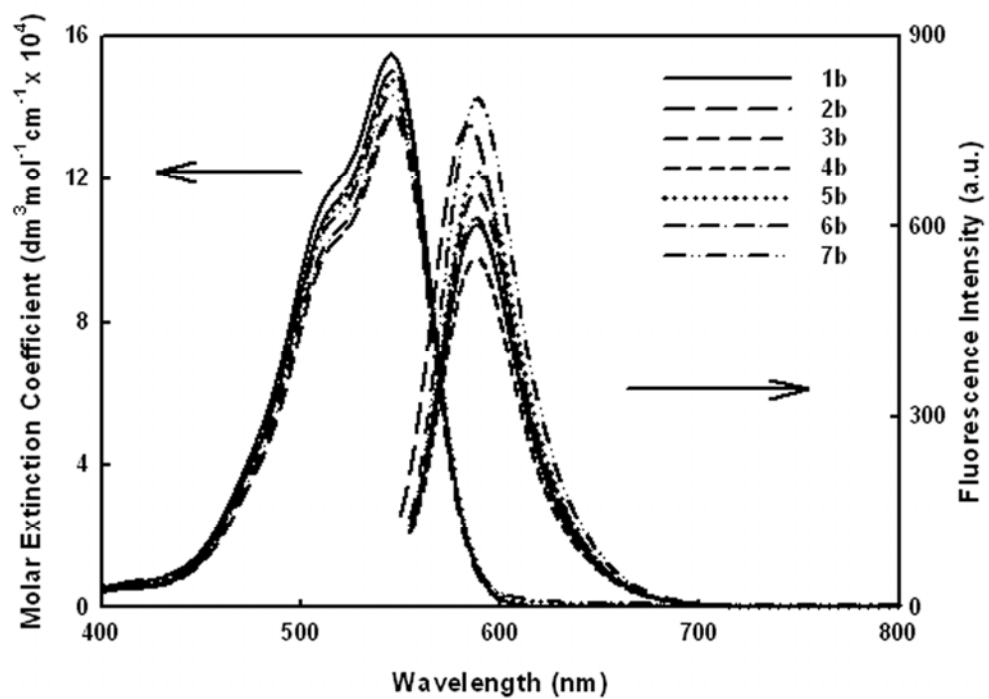
<sup>g</sup>No fluorescence detected.

Table 1. Calculated absorption parameters for the optimized molecular geometry.

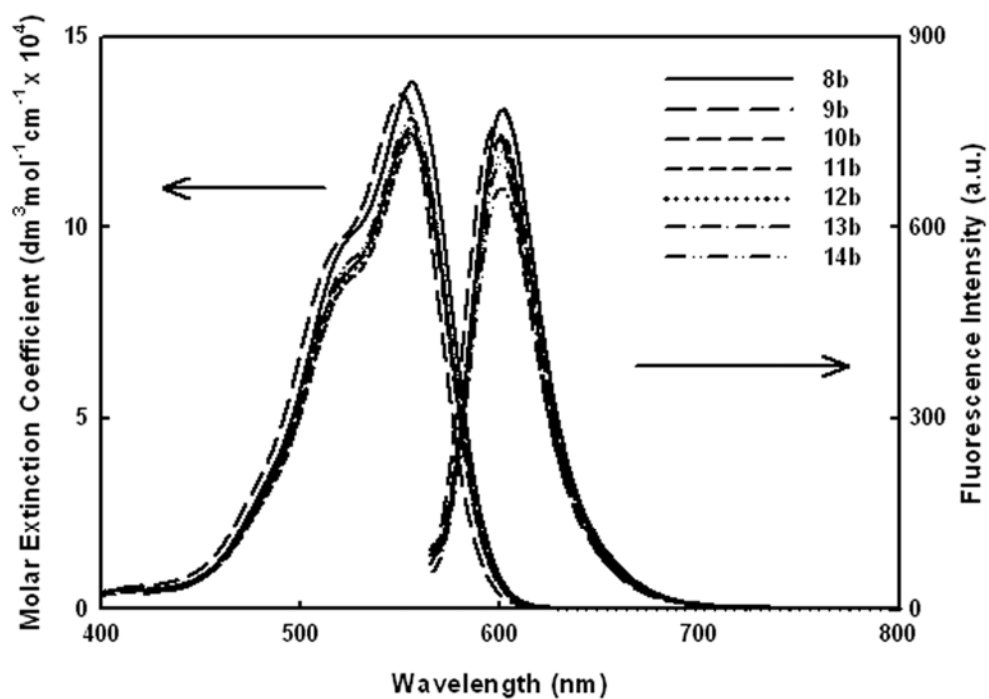
Dye no.	$\lambda_{max}/nm$	Dye no.	$\lambda_{max}/nm$
<b>1b</b>	397 (1.9490 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>8b</b>	398 (2.0132 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>2b</b>	395 (2.0438 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>9b</b>	398 (2.0523 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>3b</b>	393 (1.8960 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>10b</b>	400 (1.9488 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>4b</b>	394 (1.9010 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>11b</b>	400 (1.9430 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>5b</b>	393 (1.8935 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>12b</b>	399 (1.9462 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>6b</b>	392 (1.9075 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>13b</b>	399 (1.9490 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>7b</b>	393 (1.9008 <sup>a</sup> )	<b>14b</b>	400 (1.9499 <sup>a</sup> )

<sup>a</sup>Oscillator strength.

Table 2. Absorption and fluorescence characteristics for **1b–14b** in solution and in solid films.

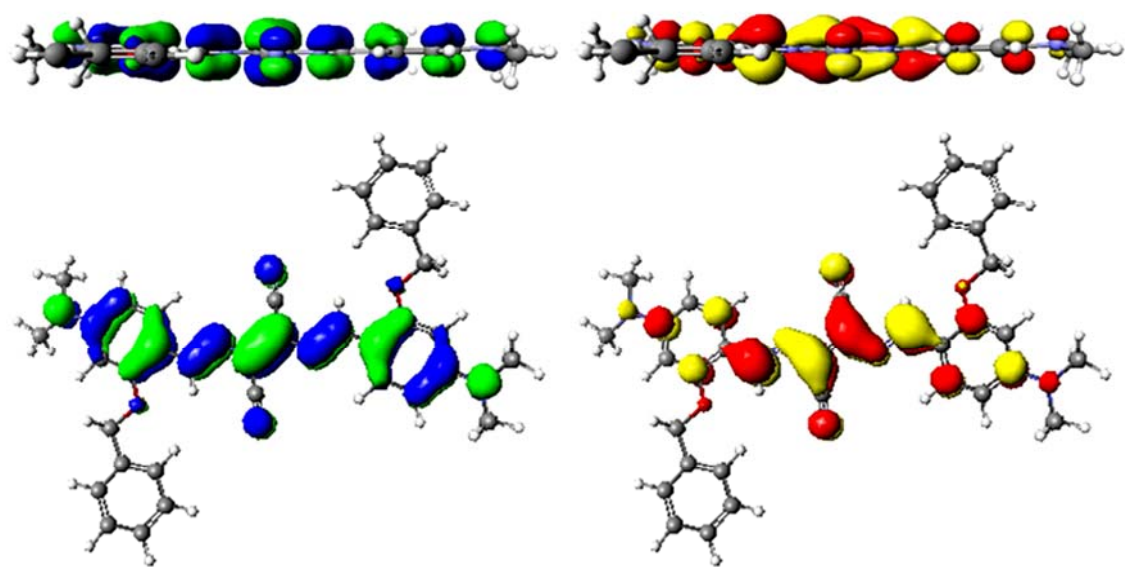


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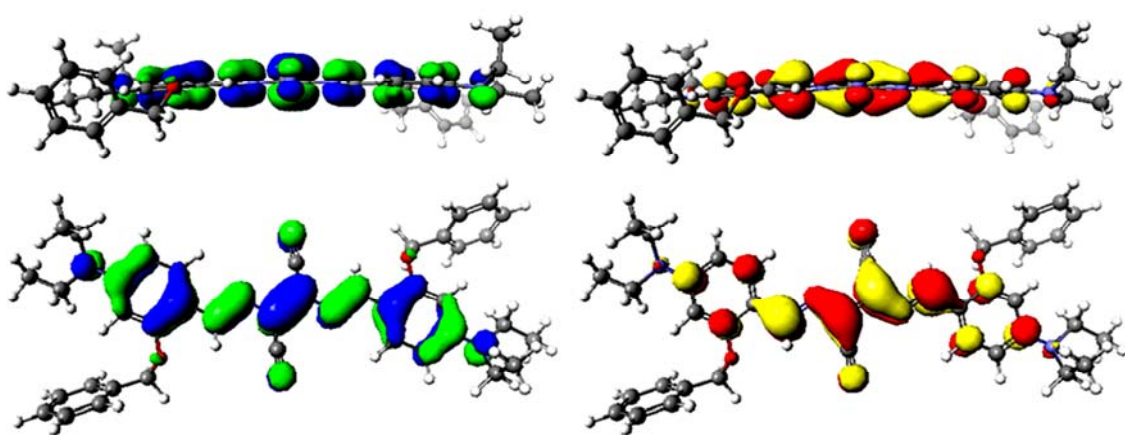


(b)

Fig. 1. Absorption and fluorescence spectra of **1b–7b** (a) and **8b–14b** (b) in chloroform solution. The concentration of dyes for fluorescence is ca.  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M.

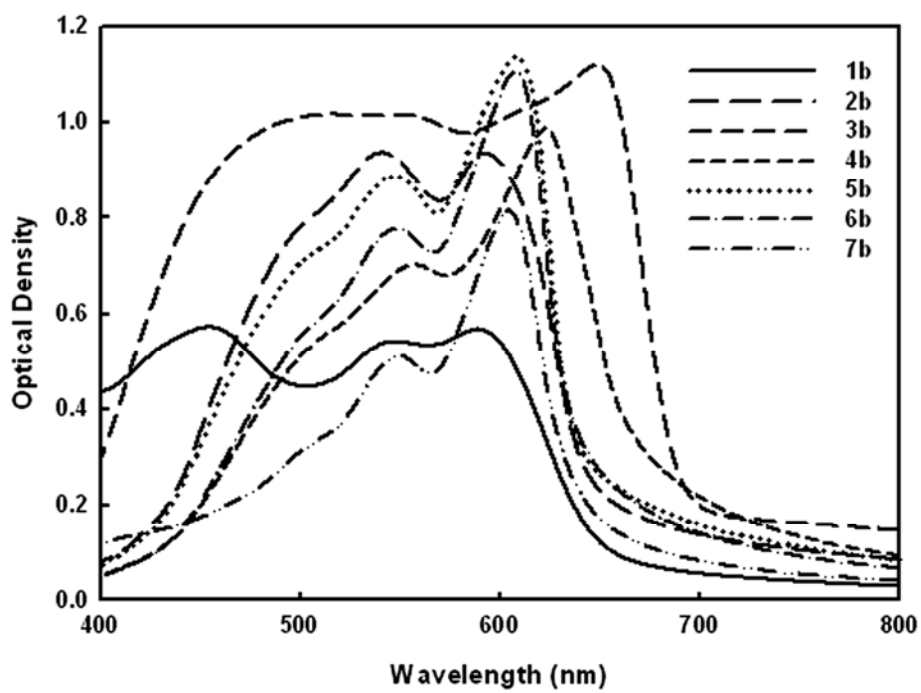


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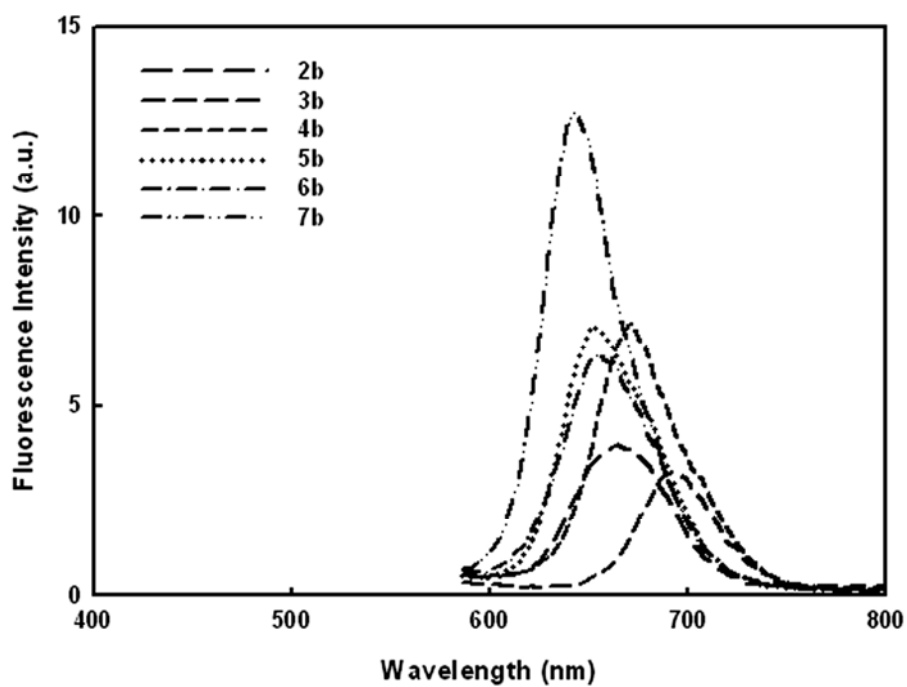


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Fig. 2. Optimized molecular geometry for **1b** (a) and **8b** (b).

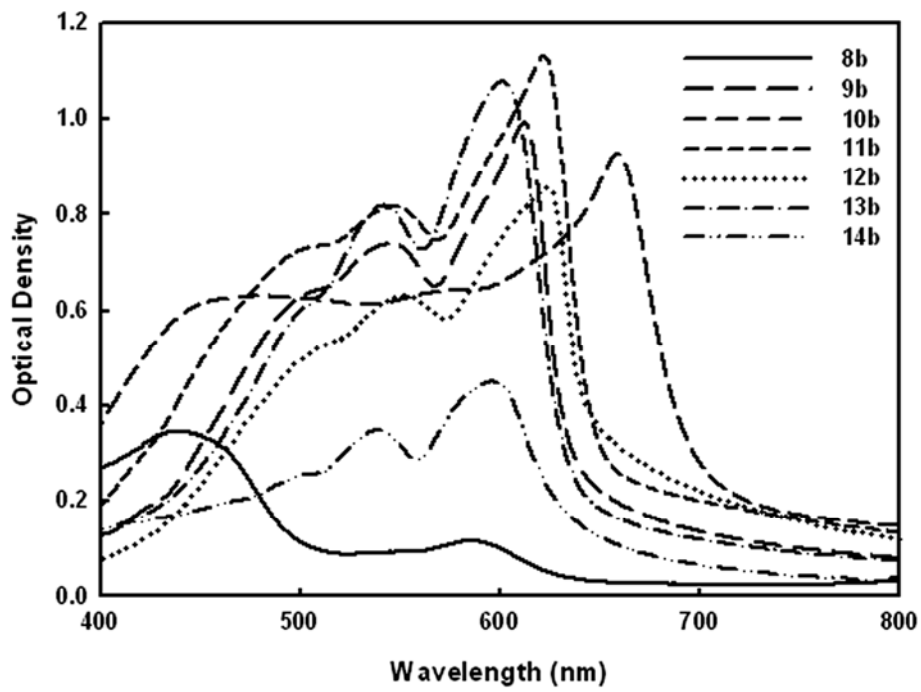


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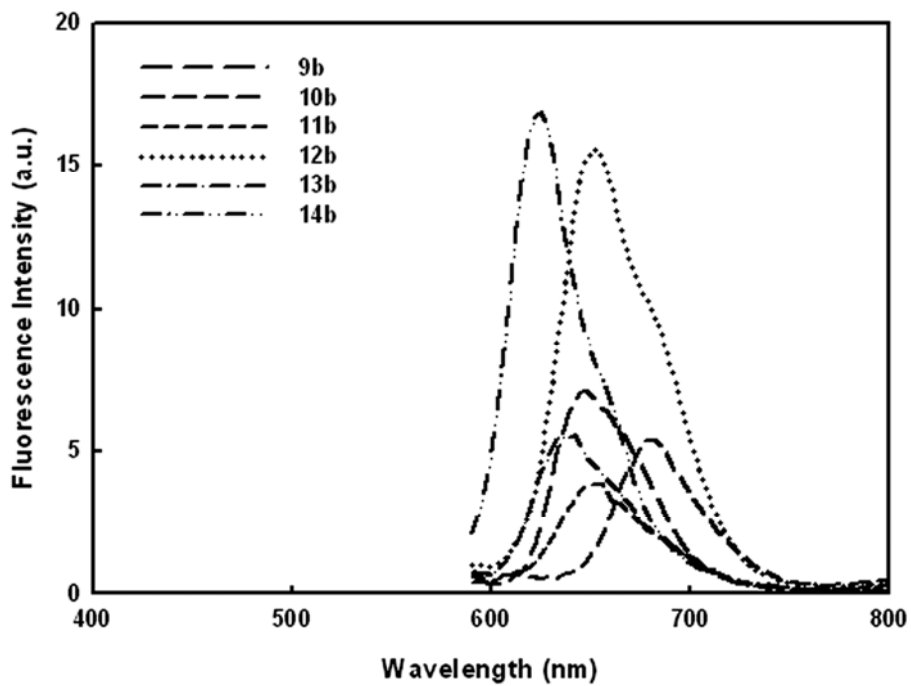


(b)

Fig. 3. Absorption (a) and fluorescence (b) spectra of **1b**–**7b** in vapour-deposited films.



(a)



(b)

Fig. 4. Absorption (a) and fluorescence (b) spectra of **8b–14b** in vapour-deposited films.

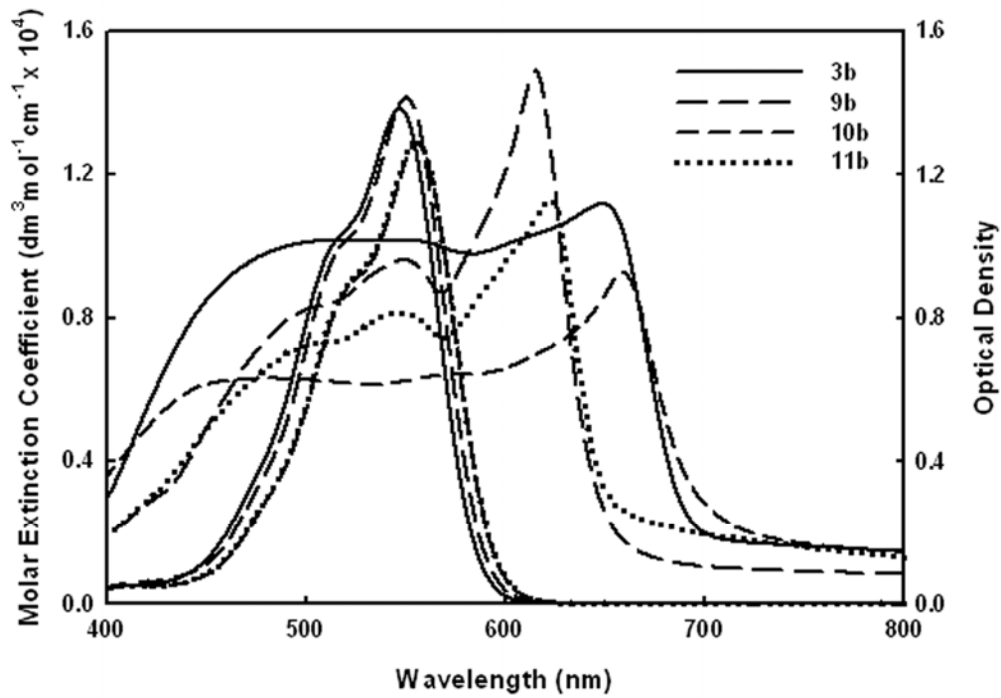


Fig. 5. Absorption spectra of **3b**, **9b**, **10b** and **11b** in vapour-deposited films, as well as the spectra in chloroform.