

Synthesis of some new pyrazolo[5,1-c][1,2,4]triazine derivatives and computational study

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ABSTRACT

In this study, the synthesis novel of seven new pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazin derivative disperse dyestuffs was reported. First, 2-arylhydrazone-3-ketiminobutyronitriles were synthesized and reacted with hydrazine hydrate to afford 5-amino-4-arylazo-3-methyl-1H-pyrazoles. The 5-amino-4-arylazo-3-methyl-1H-pyrazoles were diazotised and coupled with ethyl benzoylacetate to give ethyl pyrazolylazo benzoylacetate. The final product was heated in glacial acetic acid and seven new pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4] triazine dyestuffs were synthesized. FT-IR, ¹H NMR and elemental analysis techniques were used to characterize synthesized dyestuffs. Density functional theory calculation methods were used for to determine the molecular geometries and spectroscopic properties of the new seven dyestuffs. The acquired results from calculations and experiments are conform each other.

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1. Introduction

Pyrazoles and their substituted derivatives exhibit wide variety of biological and pharmacological activities [1–8] and also find application in photography [9,10] and as dyes [11,12]. Some pyrazoles were reported to have nonnucleoside HIV-1 reverse transcriptase inhibitory activity [3,7,8,13–16].

Azolo annulated [1,2,4]triazines can be considered as isosteres of purine bases. Due to a wide and profound biological activity [17–21], this family of heterocyclic compounds causes a growing interest of researchers working in the fields of medicinal chemistry and pharmacology. Pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazines are similar in structure to nucleic bases, can act as metabolites and are useful as antiviral and antitumor agents [17]. In the literature, pyrazolo-triazines have been reported to have cytotoxicity against cancer cells [22,23]. Berger and coworkers reported that specific poly-substituted pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazines inhibit selectively B-Raf kinase activity, and are preferred for the treatment of B-Raf kinase related disorders [24]. Therefore, the development of new methods

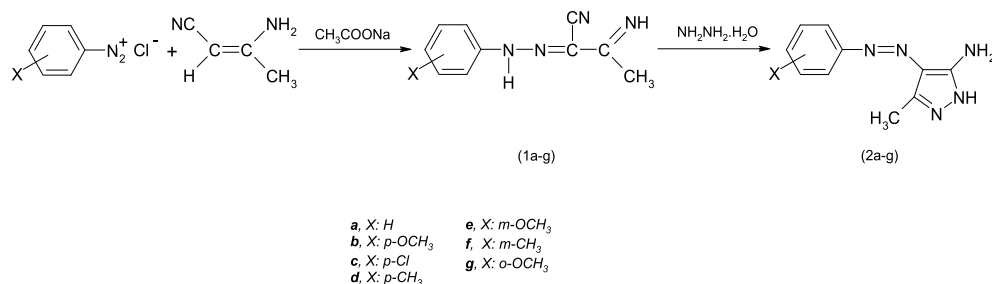
and the synthesis of newly fused 1,2,4-triazine derivatives is of great importance.

Many patents and articles in the literature identify the synthesis and dyeing characteristics of monoazo dyestuff on a heterocyclic coupling component [25–28]. There are very few studies involving monoazo dyestuff based on the pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazine ring. In connection with our interest in this class of compounds, our study group has reported the synthesis of some pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazines [29–31]. In this article, we present the synthesis of seven new monoazo dyestuff based on the pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4] triazine ring system.

In the recent years, there has been great interest to the quantum chemical calculations especially density functional theory (DFT) methods which use to determine the properties of the molecular, optical and electronic structures of the small and big sized chemical molecules at low computational time [32–35]. In this paper, as a part of continuous studies of our research group, we synthesized new pyrazolo derivatives and characterized by elemental analyses, FT-IR, ¹H-NMR spectroscopic methods. Also, we studied on the estimated of the geometry optimization, the vibrational frequencies, the chemical shifts and the electronic properties of azo dyestuff because of their cytotoxic activity in medical and usage as a polyester/polyamide dye in industrial applications.

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Scheme 1. Synthesis of 2a-g.

2. Experimental

2.1. General details

The chemicals utilized in the synthesis were supplied from Aldrich and Merck Chemical Company without any purification. Suitable spectroscopic grade solvents were used.

IR spectra were recorded via PerkinElmer UATR Two (FT-IR) Spectrophotometer. ¹H NMR spectra were obtained on Agilent 400/55 annual refill 400 in DMSO-*d*₆ utilizing TMS as the internal reference and chemical shifts (δ) were reported in ppm. Melting points of dyestuffs were determined using Electrothermal 9100 melting point apparatus and not corrected.

2.2. Synthesis of 2-arylhydrazone-3-ketiminobutyronitriles (1a-g) and 5-amino-4-arylaazo-3-methyl-1H-pyrazoles (2a-g)

1a-g and **2a-g** were synthesized according to the literature [36–38]. The general route for the synthesis of **1a-g** and **2a-g** is outlined in Scheme 1.

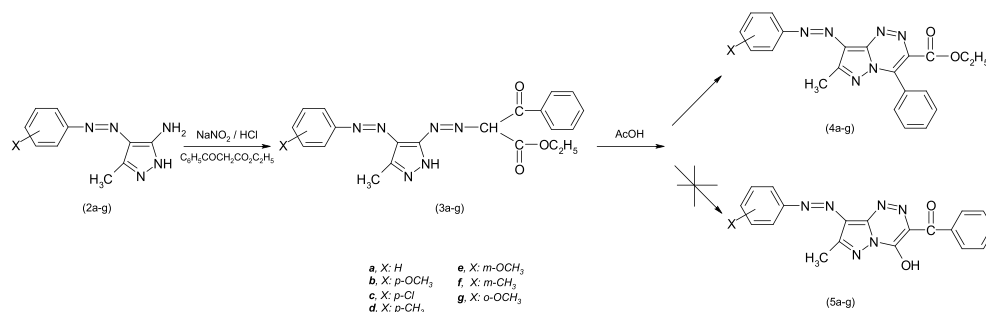
2.3. Synthesis of pyrazolo[5,1-c][1,2,4]triazine derivative dyestuffs (4a-g)

The synthesized 2a-g compounds (0.01 mol) were dissolved in a

mixture containing glacial CH₃COOH and concentrated HCl (20 ml, ratio 1: 1), and the solution was cooled to 0–5 °C. Then NaNO₂ solution (0.69 g, 0.01 mol) prepared in 10 ml of water was added dropwise to this solution cooled at 0–5 °C with vigorous stirring for 1 h. The clear diazonium salt solution was added dropwise to a solution of ethyl benzoyl acetate (1.92 g, 0.01 mol) prepared in pyridine (10 ml) and cooled (0–5 °C). The pH of the coupling mixture was kept at 7–8 throughout the coupling by adding aqueous sodium acetate. Stirring was continued at 0–5 °C for 4 h and diluted with cold water (50 ml). The precipitated products were filtered, washed several times with water, dried and recrystallized from DMF-H₂O to give ethyl pyrazolylazo benzoylacetate (3a). The obtained product (3a) was refluxed for 4 h in glacial CH₃COOH (30 ml). The solvent casted out and the final product was collected by filtration and dried. It was recrystallized from DMF-H₂O (3:1) and orange crystals of the 4a dyestuff were obtained. This procedure was also used to synthesis dyestuffs 4b-g (Scheme 2). Elemental analyzes and melting points of the dyestuffs obtained are listed in Table 1.

2.4. Computational details

Quantum chemical calculations were performed at the B3LYP levels of theory with the Gaussian 16, Rev. B01 package [39] and GaussView 6.0.16 [40] was used for visualization of the structure.



Scheme 2. Synthesis of pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazine derivative dyestuffs (4a-g).

Table 1
Elemental analysis of dyestuffs 4a-g.

Dye no	Molecular formula (m. Wt)	m.p. ^a (°C) (colour)	Yield (%)	Elemental analysis: calc. (found)		
				C	H	N
4a	C ₂₁ H ₁₈ N ₆ O ₂ (386.4)	189–191 (orange)	87	65.27 (62.65)	4.70 (4.51)	21.75 (21.37)
4b	C ₂₂ H ₂₀ N ₆ O ₃ (416.4)	241–242 (red)	78	63.45 (63.86)	4.84 (4.54)	20.18 (20.47)
4c	C ₂₁ H ₁₇ ClN ₆ O ₂ (420.9)	224–226 (brown)	81	59.92 (59.36)	4.07 (4.93)	19.97 (19.57)
4d	C ₂₂ H ₂₀ N ₆ O ₂ (400.4)	226–227 (orange)	73	65.98 (65.53)	5.04 (5.02)	20.99 (20.68)
4e	C ₂₂ H ₂₀ N ₆ O ₃ (416.4)	282–283 (orange)	84	63.45 (63.56)	4.84 (4.64)	20.18 (20.17)
4f	C ₂₂ H ₂₀ N ₆ O ₂ (400.4)	281–282 (orange)	68	65.98 (59.53)	5.04 (5.02)	20.99 (20.78)
4g	C ₂₂ H ₂₀ N ₆ O ₃ (416.4)	204–206 (dark red)	76	63.45 (63.66)	4.84 (4.74)	20.18 (20.27)

^a Recrystallization from DMF/H₂O.

Geometries were optimized to the global minima at the *ab initio* DFT level 6-31G (d,p) basis set. The optimized structures were used for the calculations of vibrational frequencies, NMR chemical shift, electronic absorption spectrum and Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) analysis. We have calculated the chemical shifts of them in the ground state to differentiate the basis from the experimental chemical shifts and geometric parameters by using DFT (B3LYP) method. And also, time-dependent density functional theory (TD-DFT) was used to examine the electronic absorption spectrum. These calculations are worthy for ensuring comprehend the chemical shifts and molecular parameters.

3. Results and discussion

3.1. Molecular geometry

The geometric structures of the 4a-g compounds obtained from B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) methods are represented in Fig. 1 along with the atom numbering schemes. The 4a molecule has got 47 atoms and their basic vibrational modes are 138. The 4b, 4e and 4g molecules have got 51 atoms and their basic vibration modes are 147. While 4c and 4f molecules have got 50 atoms and 144 basic vibration modes, 4d molecule has got 47 atoms and 137 basic vibration modes. The

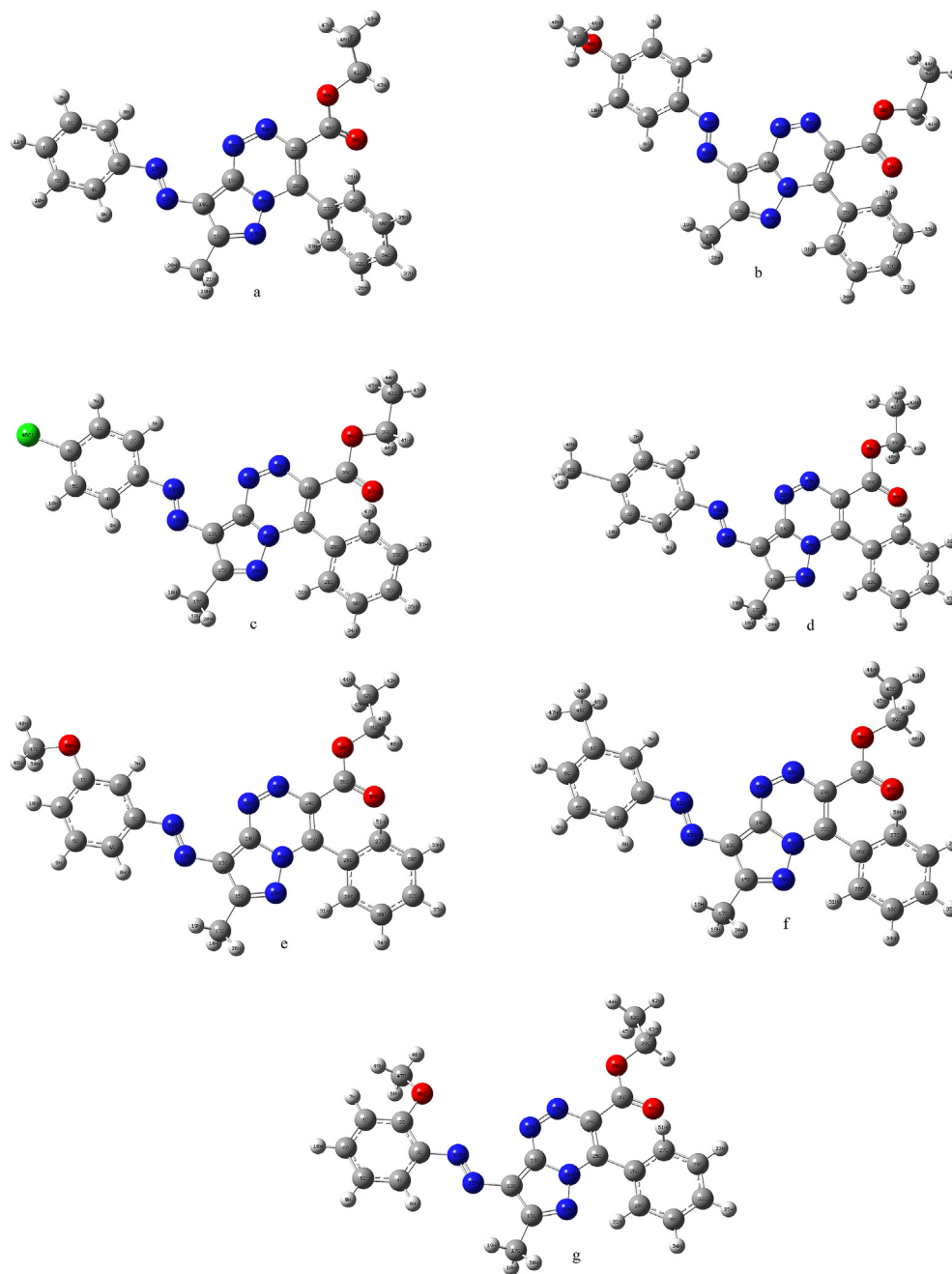


Fig. 1. The calculated optimized structure of dyestuffs 4a-g.

Table 2
FT-IR data for dyestuffs **4a-g**.

Dye No	Vibrational frequencies (cm ⁻¹)									
	Experimental					B3LYP/6-31G (d,p)				
	$\nu_{\text{Ar-H}}$	$\nu_{\text{Al-H}}$	$\nu_{\text{N=N}}$	$\nu_{\text{C=O}}$	$\nu_{\text{C-O}}$	$\nu_{\text{Ar-H}}$	$\nu_{\text{Al-H}}$	$\nu_{\text{N=N}}$	$\nu_{\text{C=O}}$	$\nu_{\text{C-O}}$
4a	3062	2977	1548	1727	1022	3178	3045	1508	1800	1029
4b	3054	2977	1579	1714	1016	3207	3058	1505	1798	994
4c	3097	2987	1516	1721	1086	3186	3059	1527	1801	1055
4d	3057	2996	1564	1727	1028	3183	3038	1551	1799	1057
4e	3075	2976	1561	1726	1027	3185	3059	1598	1799	1056
4f	3061	2973	1561	1728	1029	3186	3059	1597	1799	1057
4g	3051	2982	1560	1725	1014	3184	3016	1595	1798	1058

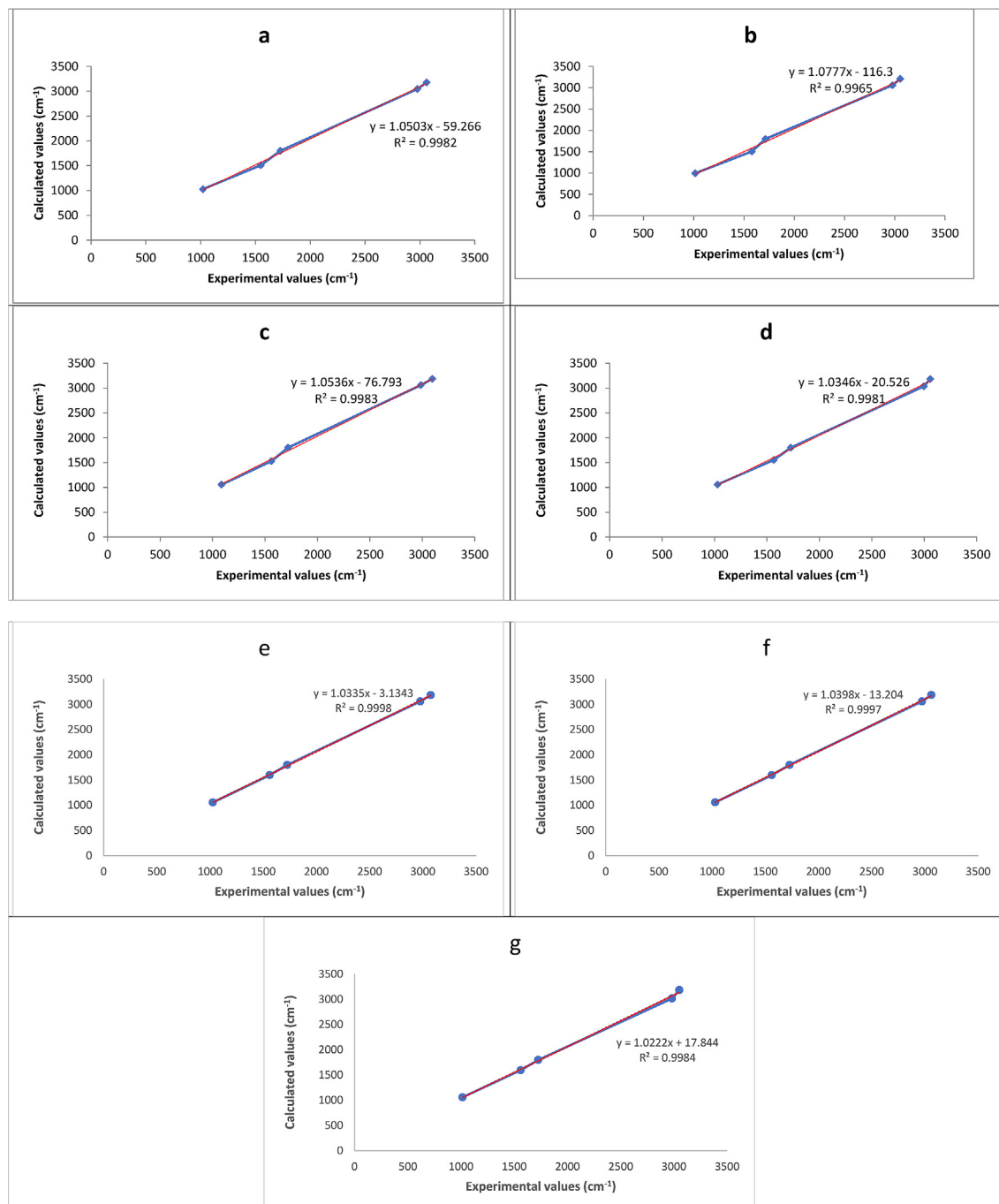


Fig. 2. Linear regression results obtained by theoretical and experimental infrared values of **4a-g** compounds.

Table 3
¹H NMR data for dyestuffs **4a-g**.

Dye No	¹ H NMR ^a (δ , ppm, DMSO- <i>d</i> ₆)			
	Experimental		B3LYP/6-31G (d,p)	
	Aro-H	Alip-H	Aro-H	Alip-H
4a	7.93–7.54 (m, 10 H)	0.99 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.74 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.18 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	8.33–7.61 (m, 10 H)	1.51 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.90 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.43 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)
4b	7.13 (d, 2 H) 7.69–7.6 (m, 5 H) 7.90 (d, 2 H)	0.99 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.69 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 3.86 (s, <i>p</i> – OCH ₃) 4.17 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	7.18 (d, 2 H) 8–49–7.72 (m, 5 H) 8.23 (d, 2 H)	1.38 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.85 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 3.96 (s, <i>p</i> – OCH ₃) 4.29 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)
4c	7.61 (d, 2 H) 7.69–7.65 (m, 5 H) 7.94 (d, 2 H)	0.99 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.72 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.18 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	7.63 (d, 2 H) 8.26–7.61 (m, 5 H) 8.22 (d, 2 H)	1.51 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.88 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.44 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)
4d	7.39 (d, 2 H) 7.68–7.62 (m, 5 H) 7.81 (d, 2 H)	1.00 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.39 (s, <i>p</i> – CH ₃) 2.69 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.17 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	7.62 (d, 2 H) 8.24–7.60 (m, 5 H) 8.16 (d, 2 H)	1.51 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.42 (s, <i>p</i> – CH ₃) 2.88 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.43 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)
4e	7.70–7.10 (m, 9 H)	0.99 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.69 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 3.86 (s, <i>m</i> – OCH ₃) 4.17 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	8.48–7.49 (m, 9 H)	1.40 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.87 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 3.96 (s, <i>m</i> – OCH ₃) 4.35 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)
4f	7.69–7.35 (m, 9 H)	0.99 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.43 (s, <i>m</i> – CH ₃) 2.69 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.17 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	8.84–7.92 (m, 9 H)	1.75 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.85 (s, <i>m</i> – CH ₃) 3.23 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.70 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)
4g	7.68–7.07 (m, 9 H)	0.99 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.69 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 3.97 (s, <i>o</i> – CH ₃) 4.17 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)	8.46–7.17 (m, 9 H)	1.41 (t, 3H, ethoxy CH ₃) 2.86 (s, 3H, pyrazole CH ₃) 4.14 (s, <i>o</i> – CH ₃) 4.35 (q, 2H, OCH ₂)

^aAbbreviations: s, singlet, m, multiplet, d, doublet, q, quartet.

azo double bonds (N=N), the carbonyl single bond lengths (C–O) and the carbonyl double bond lengths (C=O) are computed in the range of 1.304–1.267 Å, 1.338–1.341 Å and 1.215–1.214 Å, respectively.

3.2. Tautomerization

¹H NMR spectra of the dyestuffs showed CH₃ of ethoxy group peak at 0.99–1.00 ppm and –OCH₂– of ethoxy group peak at 4.17–4.18 ppm. Also, ¹H NMR spectra of the dyestuffs did not show any the OH group peak. FT-IR spectra of the dyestuffs also did not show any the OH group peak. These suggest that these dyestuffs in the 4a-g form and not in the 5a-g form. The structures of azo dyestuffs are thought to be as shown in Scheme 2. Furthermore, it is believed that the newly synthesized dyestuffs do not have a tautomeric structure.

3.3. Vibrational analysis

The FT –IR spectra of 4a-g dyestuffs shows aromatic C H bands at 3097–3051 cm⁻¹, aliphatic C H bands at 2996–2973 cm⁻¹, azo (N=N) bands at 1579–1516 cm⁻¹, carbonyl (C = O) bands at 1728–1714 cm⁻¹ and C O bands at 1086–1014 cm⁻¹. As for corresponding B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) methods, aromatic C H bands, aliphatic C H bands, azo (N=N) bands, carbonyl (C = O) bands and C O bands have been calculated as the values in the range of 3207–3178 cm⁻¹, 3059–3016 cm⁻¹, 1598–1505 cm⁻¹, 1801–1798 cm⁻¹ and 1058–994 cm⁻¹, respectively. Experimental and theoretical results are tabulated in Table 2.

The correlations values (R²) between these experimental and theoretical data for each molecule are computed and presented in Table 2. The compound 4e has the most coherent correlation with the value of 0.9998 and 4b compound has the least coherent correlation value with the value of 0.9965 which can be seen in Fig. 2.

These correlation values indicated that experimental and the theoretical data are very coherent each other.

3.4. ¹H NMR analysis

¹H NMR spectra of 4a-g dyestuffs showed at 7.94–7.07 ppm (aromatic H), 4.18–4.17 ppm (OCH₂), 2.74–2.69 ppm (pyrazole CH₃) and 1.00–0.99 (ethoxy CH₃), respectively. On the other hand, the theoretical ¹H NMR data (4a-g dyes) obtained from B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) method are collected in Table 3 together with the experimental data.

As for corresponding B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) methods, aromatic H peaks, OCH₂ peaks, pyrazole CH₃ peaks and ethoxy CH₃ peaks have been calculated as the values of 8.84–7.17 ppm, 4.70–4.35 ppm, 2.90–2.85 and 1.75–1.38 ppm, respectively. The compound 4a has the most coherent correlation with the value of 0.9968 and 4g compound has the least coherent correlation value with the value of 0.9912 which can be seen in Fig. 3. These correlation values indicated that experimental and the theoretical data are very coherent each other.

3.5. Electronic properties

The electronic properties of a molecule are designated with the energy of HOMO (Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital) and LUMO (Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbitals) molecular orbitals. Beside the electronic properties the chemical reactivity, stability, optical properties and bioactivity of a molecule also determine with these parameters [41,42]. The difference between HOMO and LUMO orbitals indicates the chemical reactivity of a molecule. If the difference is small the kinetic stability of a molecule is low so the intermolecular charge transfer is very high between the electron donor and acceptor groups. When Table 4 is examined, the lowest energy gap belongs to dyestuff 4d with 1.06 eV. On the other hand,

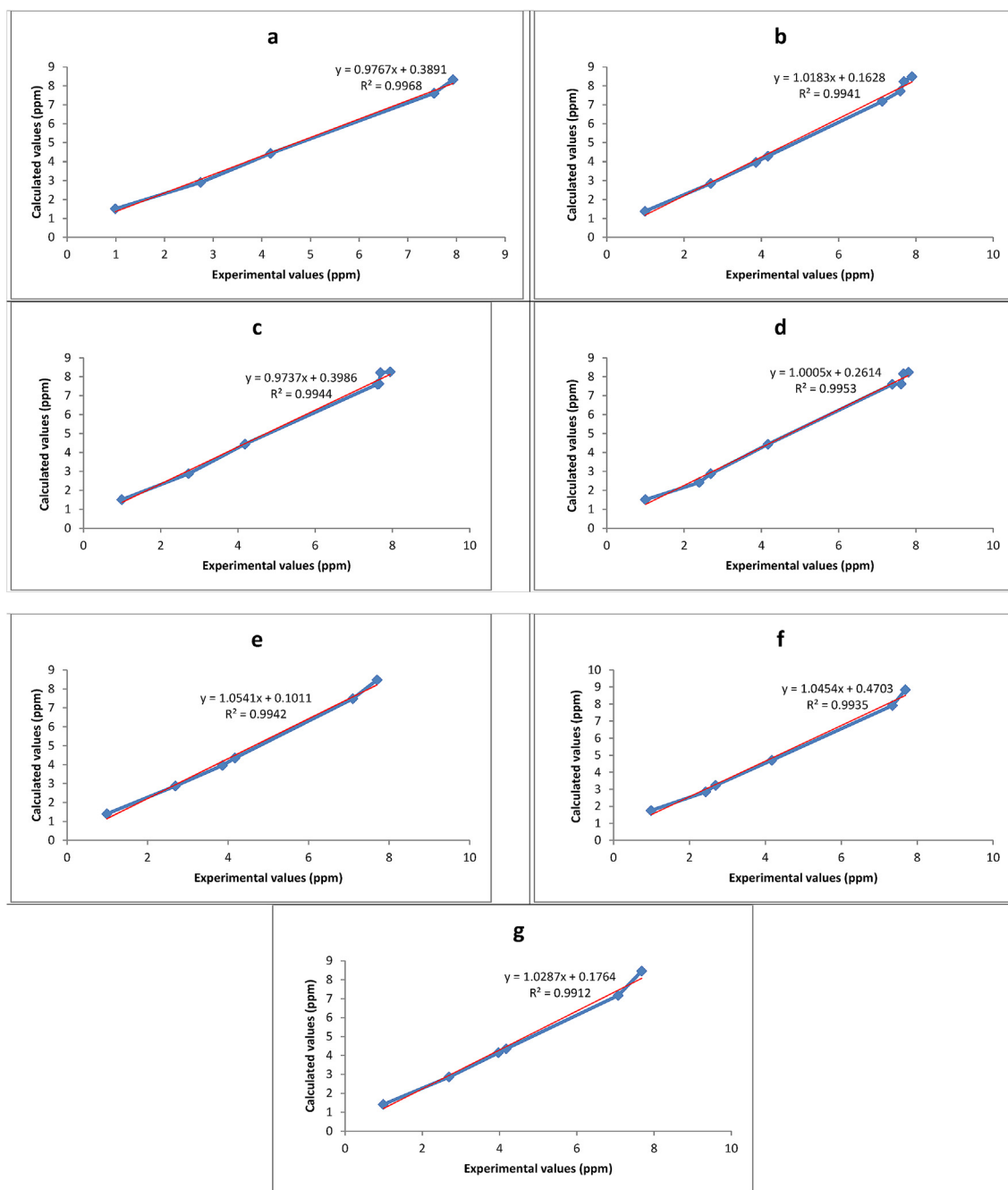


Fig. 3. Linear regression results obtained by theoretical and experimental ^1H NMR values of 4a-g compounds.

Table 4
Electronic parameters of dyestuffs 4a-g.

Parameters	4a	4b	4c	4d	4e	4f	4g
E_{HOMO} (eV)	-5.64	-5.5	-5.94	-3.67	-5.77	-5.81	-5.53
E_{LUMO} (eV)	-2.47	-2.37	-2.63	-2.61	-2.45	-2.461	-2.36
$\Delta E = E_{\text{LUMO}} - E_{\text{HOMO}}$ (eV)	3.17	3.13	3.31	1.06	3.32	3.35	3.17
I (eV)	5.64	5.50	5.94	3.67	5.77	5.81	5.53
A (eV)	2.46	2.37	2.63	2.61	2.45	2.46	2.36
χ (eV)	4.05	3.93	4.29	3.15	4.11	4.14	3.94
η (eV)	1.59	1.57	1.66	0.53	1.66	1.67	1.58
S (1/(eV))	0.32	0.32	0.3	0.94	0.3	0.3	0.32
μ (eV)	-4.05	-3.93	-4.29	-3.14	-4.11	-4.14	-3.94
ω (eV)	5.17	4.93	5.54	9.29	5.08	5.11	4.91

the largest energy gap belongs to dyestuff **4f** with 3.35 eV.

In compound **4d**, the $-\text{CH}_3$ group is attached to the p-position and the compound has a more linear structure. In compound **4f**, the $-\text{CH}_3$ group is attached to the meta position and is closer to the azo group containing an unpaired electron pair. The binding of the CH_3 group to the phenyl ring from different corners indicates that the meta-position dye (**4f**) may be less reactive due to the steric effect and the p-position dye (**4d**) may be more reactive due to its planar nature. The other parameters; I (ionization potential), A (electron affinity), χ (electronegativity), η (hardness), S (softness), μ

(electronic chemical potential) and ω (global electrophilicity index) values of dyestuff **4a**, **4b**, **4c**, **4e**, **4f** and **4g** are nearly similar. Because of the delocalization of the conjugated π bonds, the HOMO-LUMO orbitals are located in the aromatic rings and azo groups, as seen Figs. 4 and 5.

The absorption spectra were computed using the TD-DFT method in combination with the same functional, basis set in gas phase and in chloroform. The calculated maximum absorption wavelengths (λ_{max}), and electronic transitions are shown in Table 5. The highest electronic absorption bands are calculated at 531.9 nm

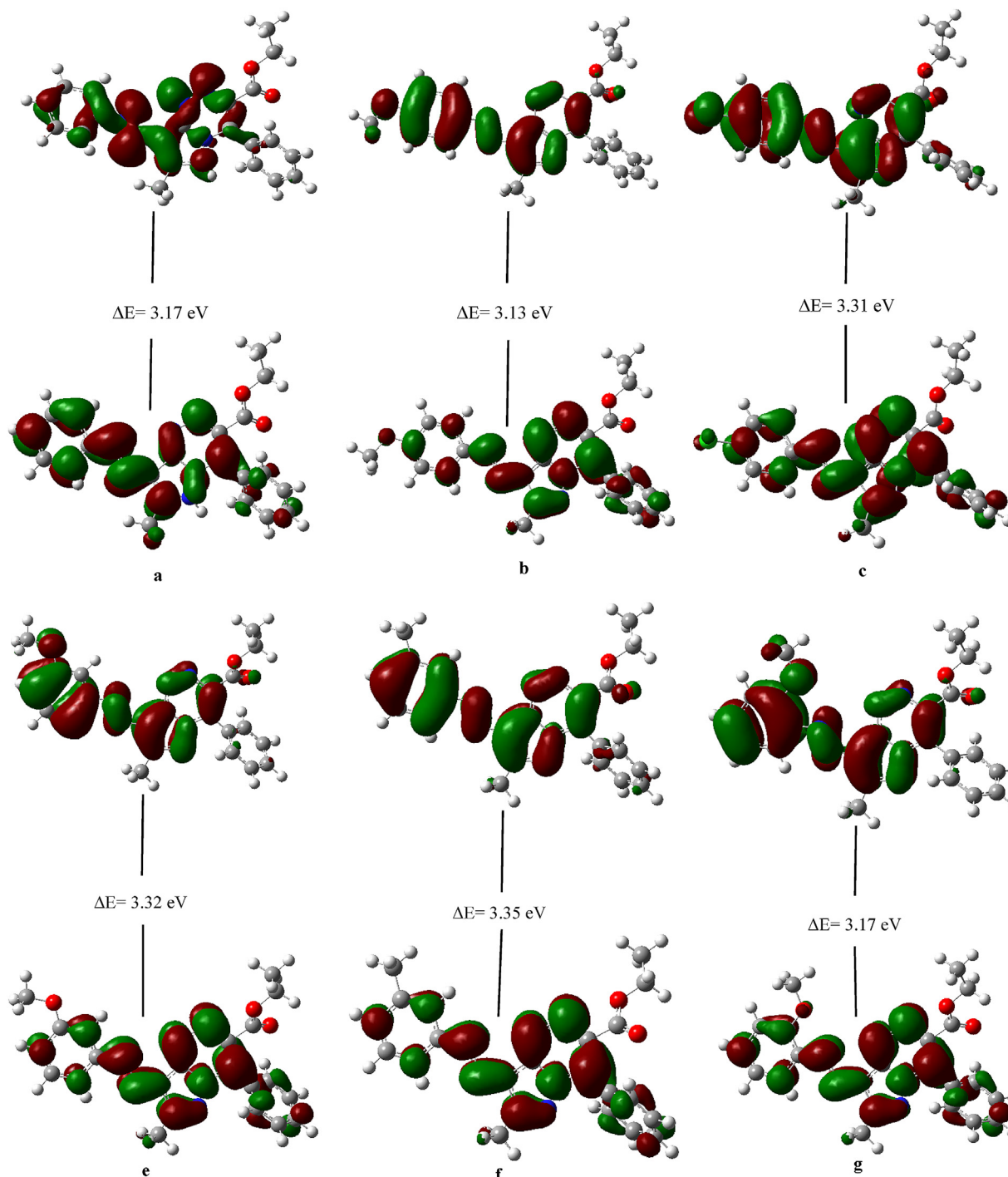


Fig. 4. HOMO-LUMO orbitals diagram of the dyestuffs **4a-g**.

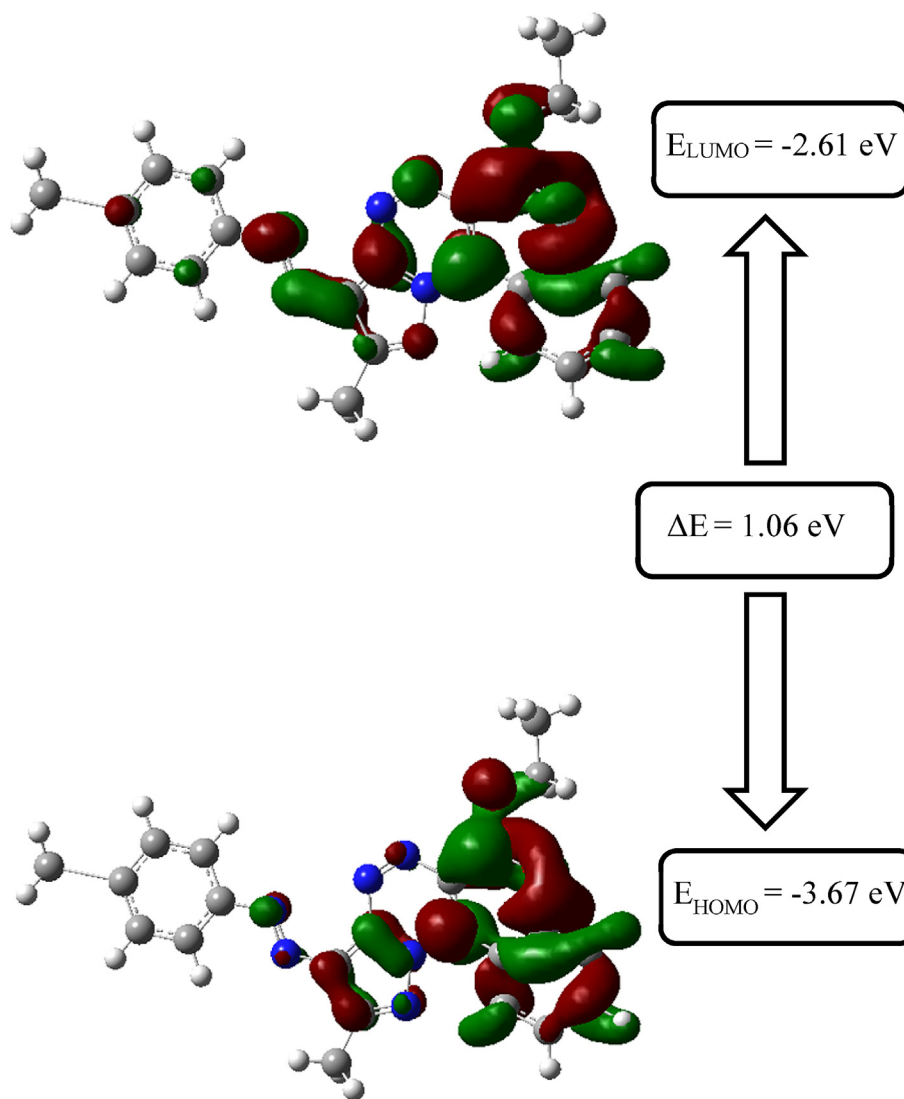


Fig. 5. Atomic composition of dyestuff 4d.

in gas phase and 517.2 nm in chloroform by using TD-DFT/B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) level for **4g** and also they can be attributed $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ and $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions. They were determined that these band caused by the transitions of HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (78%), HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+1 (14%), HOMO \rightarrow LUMO (6%). The corresponding peaks for compounds **4a-f** in chloroform were obtained at 507.6 nm HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (79%), 499.1 nm with the contribution HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (84%), 504.7 nm with the contribution HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (86%), 505.6 nm with the contribution HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (84%), 503.2 nm with the contribution HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (84%) and 507.2 nm with the contribution HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO (84%), respectively, as can be seen in Table 5. These values are also similar with the obtained from the gas phase calculations. The contribution rate of HOMO-LUMO orbitals are determined by using the GaussSum 2.2 program [43].

3.6. Natural bond orbital (NBO) analysis

Additionally, the 6-31G (d,p)/B3LYP level were performed to the natural bond orbital (NBO) calculations for the complexes **4a-g**. NBO analysis provides a favorable charge transfer or conjugation interaction in the molecular system, and also uses work on intermolecular binding and interaction between bonds [44]. The $E^{(2)}$

value computed from the NBO analysis show the energy of interaction between the electron acceptor and the electron donor and the larger value demonstrates an intense interaction between electron donors and electron acceptors [45].

As seen from Table 6, the calculated $E^{(2)}$ values presented that the significant charge flows generally occurred from the lone pair of the carbon atoms of the pyrazole ring (C13 or C14) to the π^* bond of (N22-N23) which have stabilization energy in the range of 331.89–338.67 kcal/mol. Also, electron densities given in Table 6 are another evidence of the larger electron delocalization.

4. Conclusions

Seven new pyrazolo [5,1-c][1,2,4]triazine derived azo dyestuffs have been synthesized. Characterization of these molecules was achieved by FT-IR and ^1H NMR spectrum measurements. Molecular structures of azo dyestuffs synthesized according to FT-IR and ^1H NMR results were found to be in **4a-g** form. The structures, electronic and vibration properties of novel azo dyestuffs examined by density functional methods. The vibration frequencies of some of the main peaks found with the help of experimental and theoretical studies are compatible with each other and correlation values were

Table 5Calculated absorption wavelengths, energies and oscillator strengths of **4a-g** using the TD-DFT method at the B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) level.

	Excitation Major Contribution	CI expansion coefficient	Wavelength Calc. Gas phase (nm)	Excitation Energy (eV)	Oscillator Strength (f)	Excitation	CI expansion coefficient	Wavelength Calc. Chloroform (nm)	Excitation Energy (eV)	Oscillator Strength (f)
4a (Excited State, Singlet-A)	100 → 102 (77%) (HOMO-1 → LUMO) 100 → 103 (18%) (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1)	0.61988 0.29818	516.6	2.40	0.0005	100 → 102 (79%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 100 → 103 (16%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1	0.62960 0.28704	507.6	2.44	0.0011
4b (Excited State, Singlet-A)	108 → 110 (82%) (HOMO-1 → LUMO) 108 → 111 (15%) (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1)	0.64059 0.27480	509.0	2.44	0.0000	108 → 110 (84%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 108 → 111 (13%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1 108 → 112 (2%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+2	0.64646 0.25473 0.10529	499.1	2.48	0.0003
4c (Excited State, Singlet-A)	108 → 110 (85%) (HOMO-1 → LUMO) 108 → 111 (13%) (HOMO-1 → LUMO+1)	0.65018 0.25328	513.1	2.42	0.0001	108 → 110 (86%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 108 → 111 (10%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1	0.65761 0.22879	504.7	2.46	0.0001
4d (Excited State, Singlet-A)	104 → 106 (82%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 104 → 107 (15%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1	0.63927 0.27375	514.9	2.41	0.0003	104 → 106 (84%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 104 → 107 (13%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1 104 → 108 (2%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+2	0.64695 0.25338 0.10308	505.6	2.45	0.0003
4e (Excited State, Singlet-A)	108 → 110 (78%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 108 → 111 (14%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1 109 → 110 (2%) HOMO → LUMO	0.62445 0.26825 -0.1044	516.3	2.40	0.0012	108 → 110 (82%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 108 → 111 (12%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1 109 → 110 (7%) HOMO → LUMO	0.63144 0.24723 0.18331	503.2	2.46	0.0026
4f (Excited State, Singlet-A)	104 → 106 (82%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 104 → 107 (15%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1	0.63932 0.27393	517.5	2.40	0.0001	104 → 106 (84%) HOMO-1 → LUMO 104 → 107 (13%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1 104 → 108 (3%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+2	0.64791 0.25039 0.10286	507.2	2.44	0.0002

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Table 5 (continued)

	Excitation Major Contribution	CI expansion coefficient	Wavelength Calc. Gas phase (nm)	Excitation Energy (eV)	Oscillator Strength (f)	Excitation	CI expansion coefficient	Wavelength Calc. Chloroform (nm)	Excitation Energy (eV)	Oscillator Strength (f)
4g (Excited State, Singlet-A)	108 → 110 (78%) HOMO-1 → LUMO	0.62255 0.26681 -0.16088	531.9	2.33	0.0042	108 → 110 (78%) HOMO-1 → LUMO	0.62294 0.26293 -0.16931	517.2	2.40	0.0128
	108 → 111 (14%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1					108 → 111 (14%) HOMO-1 → LUMO+1				
	109 → 110 (5%) HOMO → LUMO					109 → 110 (6%) HOMO → LUMO				

Table 6
Remarkable stabilization interactions in the **4a-g**.

Compound	Donor	Type	Electron Density	Acceptor	Type	Electron Density	E ⁽²⁾ (kcal/mol)
4a	C14	LP (1)	1.11080	C15–N22	π*	0.74947	331.89
	C14	LP (1)	1.11080	C16–N17	π*	0.40113	103.35
	C15–N22	π*	0.74947	N23–N24	π*	0.38591	211.87
4b	C13	LP (1)	1.09348	C14–N21	π*	0.71213	336.72
	C13	LP (1)	1.09348	C15–N16	π*	0.14742	102.61
	C14–N21	π*	0.71213	N22–N23	π*	0.38257	227.80
4c	C13	LP (1)	1.11334	C14–N21	π*	0.74506	334.13
	C13	LP (1)	1.11334	C15–N16	π*	0.39736	101.69
	C14–N21	π*	0.74506	N22–N23	π*	0.38677	217.91
4d	C13	LP (1)	1.10906	C14–N21	π*	0.75208	335.18
	C13	LP (1)	1.10906	C15–N16	π*	0.40246	103.22
	C14–N21	π*	0.75208	N22–N23	π*	0.38356	216.12
4e	C13	LP (1)	1.11067	C14–N21	π*	0.74887	331.99
	C13	LP (1)	1.11067	C15–N16	π*	0.40006	102.74
	C1–C6	π*	0.38698	C2–C3	π*	0.36498	291.78
	C1–C6	π*	0.38698	C4–C5	π*	0.29824	197.19
	C14–N21	π*	0.74887	N22–N23	π*	0.38176	213.30
4f	C13	LP (1)	1.10996	C14–N21	π*	0.75029	333.63
	C13	LP (1)	1.10996	C15–N16	π*	0.40060	102.79
	C14–N21	π*	0.75029	N22–N23	π*	0.38265	214.98
4g	C13	LP (1)	1.10566	C14–N21	π*	0.75522	338.67
	C13	LP (1)	1.10566	C15–N16	π*	0.40342	103.35
	C1–C6	π*	0.35562	C4–C5	π*	0.31224	266.34
	C2–C3	π*	0.44492	C4–C5	π*	0.31224	195.87

obtained between 0.9965 and 0.9998. The ¹H NMR data obtained by experimental and theoretical studies are also compatible with each other and their correlation values ranged from 0.9968 to 0.9912.

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