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## Supramolecular scaffold-directed two-dimensional assembly of pentacene into a configuration to facilitate singlet fission

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Fig. S20. Characterization of 2. (A) Observed and (B) simulated high-resolution APCI-TOF mass spectra of 2.



**Fig. S21. Thermal stabilities of 1 and 2.** TGA profiles of (A) **1** and (B) **2** measured at a scan rate of 10 °C/min under a nitrogen flow (50 mL/min).



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**Fig. S23. Phase-transition behaviors of 1 and 2.** DSC profiles of (A) **1** during a first heating and (B) **2** during a third heating/cooling cycle, measured at a scan rate of 10 °C/min under a nitrogen flow (50 mL/min).



**Fig. S24. Thermal stability of 2.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) of **2** after thermal treatment at 270 °C for 30 min under nitrogen.



**Fig. S25. Structural characterization of 2.** (A) VT-PXRD patterns of a bulk solid sample of **2** upon heating at a rate of 10 °C/min and (B) their magnified views. Minor ill-defined diffractions are marked using asterisks.

A Pentacene-appended 1



**Fig. S26. Calculated structures of 1 and 2.** Optimized structures of (A) **1** and (B) **2** obtained by molecular mechanics (MM2) calculations.



Fig. S27. Steady-state spectroscopic analysis of 1. Absorption spectra of a 2-MeTHF solution (5.0  $\mu$ M) and a drop-cast film of 1 at 25 °C under air.



Fig. S28. Single photon counting analysis of the emission from 1 and 2. Emission decay profiles of (A) 1 ( $\lambda_{ex} = 585$  nm) observed at 640 nm and (B) 2 ( $\lambda_{ex} = 404$  nm) observed at 470 nm in 2-MeTHF (1.0  $\mu$ M) at 25 °C under air.



Fig. S29. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 1. (A) 2D fs-TA spectra of 1 in 2-MeTHF (5.5  $\mu$ M) at 25 °C ( $\lambda_{ex} = 360$  nm, excitation density = 0.05 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>). (B) TA spectra of 1 at selected delay times taken from (A). (C) DAS of 1 in 2-MeTHF obtained from the global fitting analysis. (D) Decay profile of TA of a drop-cast film of 1 at 456 nm.



Fig. S30. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 1. (A) 1D ns-TA spectra ( $\lambda_{ex} = 360$  nm) of 1 in 2-MeTHF (5.5  $\mu$ M) in the presence of anthracene (0.30 mM) at selected delay times. (B) Time-dependent TA changes at 425 nm (black) and 500 nm (red).



Fig. S31. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 2. (A) 2D fs-TA spectra of 2 in 2-MeTHF (5.0  $\mu$ M) at 25 °C ( $\lambda_{ex} = 400$  nm, excitation density = 0.2 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>). (B) TA spectra of 2 at selected delay times taken from (A). (C) DAS of 2 in 2-MeTHF obtained from the global fitting analysis. (D) Decay profile of TA of a drop-cast film of 2 at 711 nm.



Fig. S32. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 2. (A) 1D ns-TA spectra ( $\lambda_{ex} = 360$  nm) of 2 in 2-MeTHF (5.0  $\mu$ M) in the presence of anthracene (0.30 mM) at selected delay times. (B) Time-dependent TA changes at 425 nm (black) and 485 nm (red).



**Fig. S33. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 1.** Decay profiles of the fs-TA of a drop-cast film of **1** at 530 nm, observed after laser-pulse excitation with different energy densities at 360 nm. There was no change in the decay profiles of a T-T absorption of the pentacene chromophore at 530 nm in the energy density range of 0.03 to 0.2 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>.



Fig. S34. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 1 and 2. 2D fs-TA spectra of a drop-cast films of (A) 1 ( $\lambda_{Ex} = 670 \text{ nm}$ ) and (B) 2 ( $\lambda_{Ex} = 400 \text{ nm}$ ) on a quartz substrate. The time scale is linear till 1 ps delay (indicated by a horizontal black line) and logarithmic at longer delays. For (A), the white rectangle covers the scattering of the excitation pulse around 670 nm.



**Fig. S35. Time-resolved spectroscopic analysis of 1.** Schematic kinetic model involving  $S_1$ ,  $(T_1T_1)^*$ , and  $T_1+T_1$ , used for global fitting analysis of the 2D fs-TA spectra of **1** (fig. S34A), where  $k_R$ ,  $k_{SF}$ ,  $k_{Rec}$ ,  $k_{Diss}$ , and  $k_T$  are the rate constants for the  $S_1 \rightarrow S_0$  transition, SF,  $(T_1T_1)^* \rightarrow S_0$  transition, dissociation of  $(T_1T_1)^*$  into  $T_1+T_1$ , and  $T_1 \rightarrow S_0$  transition, respectively.



Fig. S36. Spectroscopic analysis of the phosphorescence from 2. Phosphorescence spectrum of 2 (1.0  $\mu$ M) upon excitation at 410 nm in a glassy matrix of 2-MeTHF/iodomethane (9/1 v/v) at 77 K.

Table S1. Lifetimes of the excited-state chemical species of 1. The lifetimes ( $\tau$ ) for singlet excited state (S<sub>1</sub>), a triplet pair [(T<sub>1</sub>T<sub>1</sub>)<sup>\*</sup>], and free triplets (T<sub>1</sub>+T<sub>1</sub>) of 1 obtained by global fitting analysis shown in Fig. 5.

	Lifetime (7)
$\mathbf{S}_1$	0.15±0.01 ps
$(T_1T_1)^*$	3±0.1 ps
$T_1 + T_1$	240 ps

**Table S2. Lifetimes of the excited-state chemical species of 2.** The lifetimes ( $\tau$ ) for singlet excited state (S<sub>1</sub>) and excimer of **2** obtained by global fitting analysis shown in Fig. 5.

	Lifetime $(\tau)$
$S_1$	2.3 ps
Excimer	850 ps