

# Supporting Information for How Well Does a Solvated Octa-Acid Capsule Shield the Embedded Chromophore? A Computational Analysis Based on an Anisotropic Dielectric Continuum Model

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**SI Table S1: TDDFT calculated excitation energies (free solvated coumarins) at 6-31+G and CC-pVTZ basis sets, to complement the values in Table 1 (eV).**

$\varepsilon$	Coumarin	TDDFT		
		IEF-PCM		PEqS
		ptSS	equilibrium	
CC-PVTZ				
3	C-1	3.35	3.39	3.43
	C-153	2.99	3.01	3.04
	C-480	3.18	3.20	3.22
78	C-1	3.16	3.20	3.23
	C-153	2.84	2.86	2.87
	C-480	3.05	3.07	3.08
6-31+G*				
3	C-1	3.31	3.35	3.38
	C-153	2.94	2.97	3.00
	C-480	3.15	3.17	3.18
78	C-1	3.11	3.15	3.18
	C-153	2.79	2.81	2.82
	C-480	3.02	3.04	3.04

SI Table S2: TDDFT excitation energies using anisotropic solvation models (eV). PEqS values are compared to those obtained using IEF\* and PEqS\* (based on increasing the vdW atomic radii). The ptSS\* non equilibrium correction is smaller than 0.001 eV in absolute value in all cases.

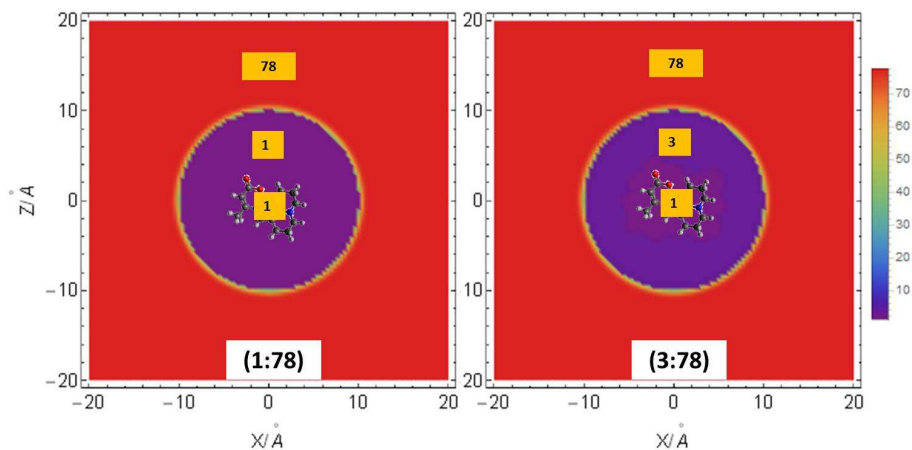
Coumarin	PEqS (1:78)	PEqS* (1:78)	IEF* (1:78)	PEqS* (1:3)	IEF* (1:3)
6-31G*					
C-1	3.43	3.47	3.47	3.57	3.57
C-153	3.08	3.13	3.13	3.21	3.21
C-480	3.26	3.27	3.27	3.35	3.34
6-31+G*					
C-1	3.39	3.38	3.38	NA	NA
C-153	3.04	3.03	3.03	NA	NA
C-480	3.21	3.19	3.19	NA	NA

SI Table S3: Absorption state energies (eV) of reoriented molecules within the capsule. PEqS obtained upon rotating the coumarin within the capsule cavity (see illustrated in SI Figure S2). PEqS\* values are obtained using a surrounding spherical surface of 10Å radius for the dielectric interface.

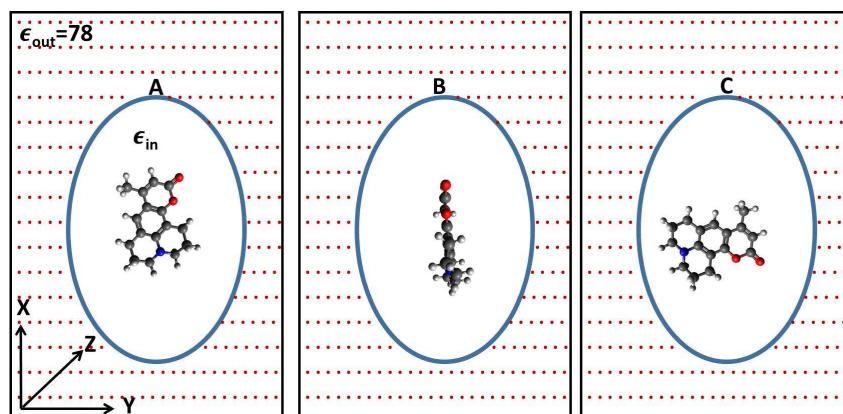
Coumarin system	Exp.	PEqS* (1:78)	PEqS (1:78)
C-1	3.43	3.46	A→ 3.43 B→ 3.44 C→ 3.46
C-153	2.93	3.13	A→ 3.08 B→ 3.10 C→ 3.12
C-480	3.28	3.27	A→ 3.26 B→ 3.26 C→ 3.27

SI Table S4: TDDFT excitation energies using anisotropic solvation models and based on an effective constant are compared to experiment (eV). The PEqS\* (1:78) and (3:78) are due to dielectric interface set to a spherical surface surrounding the coumarin of the noted radius in the parenthesis.

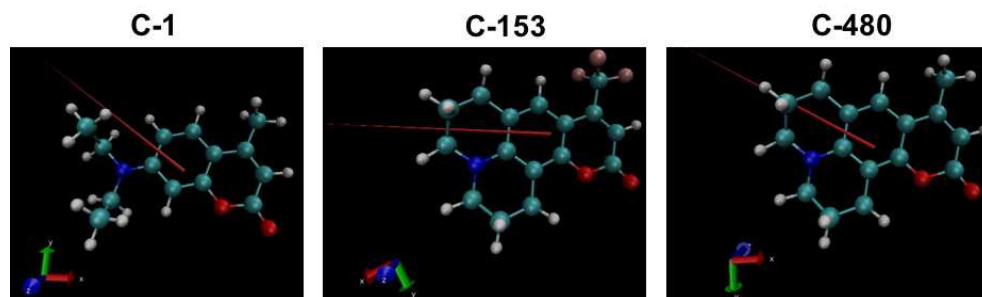
Coumarin	Exp.	PEqS $\epsilon_{\text{eff}} = 3$	PEqS* (3:78)	PEqS* (1:78)	PEqS (1:78)
C-1	3.43	3.48	3.28 (7.5Å)	3.46 (7.5Å)	3.43
			3.30 (10Å)	3.46 (10Å)	
			3.30 (15Å)	3.47 (15Å)	
C-153	2.93	3.11	2.94 (7.5Å)	3.13 (7.5Å)	3.08
			2.96 (10Å)	3.13 (10Å)	
			2.97 (15Å)	3.13 (15Å)	
C-480	3.28	3.27	3.14 (7.5Å)	3.27 (7.5Å)	3.26
			3.14 (10Å)	3.27 (10Å)	
			3.16 (15Å)	3.27 (15Å)	



SI Figure S1: 2D contour plotting of the dielectric distribution of PEqS\* (1:78) and (3:7) setups based on spherical surfaces as the dielectric interface. Radii of the sphere is set at 10Å.



SI Figure S2: Illustrating of the coumarins in a 1:78 setup. The different orientations of the coumarins used in the calculations reported in SI Table S3 are illustrated, where orientations B and C are obtained by rotating the coumarin within the capsule. Here for demonstration we represent the capsule as an ellipsoid.



SI Figure S3: Ground state dipole moment of each coumarin. The C-153 dipole is skewed compared to C-1 and C-480 dipoles.

SI Table S5: C-1 atomic coordinates (Å) at B3LYP/6-31G(d) IEF-PCM level.

C	1.4438900000000000	0.8399100000000000	-0.0418400000000000
C	0.9868100000000000	-0.4914800000000000	-0.1212800000000000
C	3.7048100000000000	0.0038200000000000	0.1340600000000000
H	4.7772800000000000	0.1301100000000000	0.2320200000000000
C	3.2389600000000000	-1.3592600000000000	0.0534100000000000
C	3.3926100000000000	2.4813800000000000	0.1802600000000000
H	2.9739400000000000	3.0058300000000000	1.0474600000000000
H	3.1191100000000000	3.0624100000000000	-0.7084800000000000
H	4.4815000000000000	2.4833700000000000	0.2704100000000000
C	2.8601400000000000	1.0766000000000000	0.0913100000000000
O	1.8659700000000000	-1.5433800000000000	-0.0732000000000000
O	3.9256200000000000	-2.3676100000000000	0.0847200000000000
C	-0.3545900000000000	-0.8244300000000000	-0.2462800000000000
C	-1.3424800000000000	0.1864900000000000	-0.3128200000000000
C	-0.8909400000000000	1.5384900000000000	-0.2175800000000000
N	-2.6734300000000000	-0.1174400000000000	-0.4794000000000000
C	-3.6960300000000000	0.9345100000000000	-0.5134200000000000
H	-4.5615200000000000	0.5212000000000000	-1.0388100000000000
C	0.4499600000000000	1.8405100000000000	-0.0930600000000000
H	0.7424500000000000	2.8838000000000000	-0.0285300000000000
C	-3.1266600000000000	-1.5110400000000000	-0.5441400000000000
H	-4.0933100000000000	-1.5104900000000000	-1.0554000000000000
H	-0.6039300000000000	-1.8759100000000000	-0.2875900000000000
H	-1.6000600000000000	2.3551800000000000	-0.2395100000000000
C	-3.2684200000000000	-2.2063300000000000	0.8165500000000000
H	-4.0211800000000000	-1.7091700000000000	1.4364300000000000
H	-3.5802900000000000	-3.2469000000000000	0.6709700000000000
H	-2.3224500000000000	-2.2091900000000000	1.3672600000000000
C	-4.1323000000000000	1.4525600000000000	0.8631500000000000
H	-4.5814600000000000	0.6534900000000000	1.4614500000000000
H	-3.2862000000000000	1.8623400000000000	1.4241800000000000
H	-4.8773900000000000	2.2472800000000000	0.7423000000000000
H	-2.4442900000000000	-2.0765800000000000	-1.1883000000000000
H	-3.3354300000000000	1.7629400000000000	-1.1323200000000000

SI Table S6: C-153 atomic coordinates (Å) at B3LYP/6-31G(d) IEF-PCM level.

C	1.9075900000000000	-0.1450600000000000	-0.0652900000000000
C	1.1742900000000000	-1.3786200000000000	-0.0696400000000000
C	1.2001300000000000	1.0873600000000000	-0.0466000000000000
C	-0.9385200000000000	-0.1480800000000000	-0.0238100000000000
C	-0.1904300000000000	1.0502200000000000	-0.0339700000000000
C	-2.9753300000000000	1.1917200000000000	0.0085000000000000
H	-4.0509900000000000	1.2999400000000000	0.0270200000000000
C	-2.2029400000000000	2.4131800000000000	-0.0074200000000000
C	-3.2273400000000000	-1.2717800000000000	0.0164100000000000
C	-2.3673600000000000	-0.0272500000000000	0.0000900000000000
O	-0.8253100000000000	2.2700700000000000	-0.0310700000000000
O	-2.6466600000000000	3.5477700000000000	-0.0033200000000000
N	3.2825100000000000	-0.1553200000000000	-0.0595400000000000
C	1.9122300000000000	-2.7006900000000000	-0.1268400000000000
H	1.3385800000000000	-3.4691300000000000	0.4031100000000000
H	1.9876100000000000	-3.0358100000000000	-1.1717700000000000
C	3.3198600000000000	-2.5700900000000000	0.4546400000000000
H	3.8948000000000000	-3.4877000000000000	0.2930900000000000
H	3.2694200000000000	-2.3968800000000000	1.5366400000000000
C	4.0366500000000000	-1.4011300000000000	-0.2119600000000000
H	4.2036600000000000	-1.6190700000000000	-1.2794500000000000
H	5.0207900000000000	-1.2461300000000000	0.2419200000000000
C	-0.2037400000000000	-1.3547300000000000	-0.0370300000000000
H	-0.7317700000000000	-2.3017400000000000	-0.0317400000000000
C	4.0333000000000000	1.0833600000000000	-0.2689600000000000
H	5.0458800000000000	0.9243900000000000	0.1141800000000000
H	4.1235000000000000	1.2979700000000000	-1.3463200000000000
C	3.3678100000000000	2.2526400000000000	0.4482500000000000
H	3.9406600000000000	3.1677600000000000	0.2661700000000000
H	3.3822700000000000	2.0645600000000000	1.5287200000000000
C	1.9273300000000000	2.4161600000000000	-0.0386300000000000
H	1.9256100000000000	2.8457900000000000	-1.0508300000000000
H	1.3889100000000000	3.1303700000000000	0.5919900000000000
F	-4.5437800000000000	-0.9900100000000000	0.0452000000000000

SI Table S7: C-480 atomic coordinates (Å) at B3LYP/6-31G(d) IEF-PCM level.

C	1.323454246800000	-0.947715324400000	0.015106945400000
C	0.999619325800000	0.464710116200000	0.028681008600000
C	3.661745005900000	-0.327909524700000	-0.060442904600000
H	4.720855427900000	-0.576425106400000	-0.101553734500000
C	3.361861030400000	1.059710250500000	-0.040795716700000
C	3.061998679700000	-2.791907575100000	-0.043374835900000
H	2.646371670200000	-3.311820520000000	-0.922373848200000
H	2.687881159000000	-3.321391890500000	0.848250831500000
H	4.151891506600000	-2.911259309900000	-0.069834940200000
C	2.686897129000000	-1.340193554600000	-0.026456472200000
O	1.964649042200000	1.405493827800000	0.027280218400000
O	4.116012619200000	2.015950749900000	-0.069166164000000
C	-1.372823360000000	-0.015176295600000	0.083564498800000
C	-1.090204017100000	-1.419481963200000	0.073856728900000
C	-0.300536144900000	0.929527245200000	0.042956449900000
N	-2.673615755600000	0.430915471400000	0.118981322600000
C	-2.216998815300000	-2.419360757000000	0.128982824700000
H	-1.939807089300000	-3.318191368600000	-0.439297592800000
H	-2.367219727400000	-2.745030600400000	1.172743171200000
C	-3.512130932700000	-1.815806608500000	-0.402009284800000
H	-4.360081210100000	-2.494804162300000	-0.240155797200000
H	-3.431706074600000	-1.633426777300000	-1.483716993400000
C	-3.776538646700000	-0.497506527500000	0.309125391600000
H	-3.938933233300000	-0.679211555600000	1.389462490100000
H	-4.685753593400000	-0.019119272100000	-0.080464519200000
C	0.223495106700000	-1.853179867000000	0.032928202400000
H	0.423696537600000	-2.924050874400000	0.017574704600000
C	-2.962600880000000	1.841232056100000	0.329156799500000
H	-3.993393447400000	2.021950372600000	-0.005483240900000
H	-2.919596017500000	2.081904268700000	1.409399940300000
C	-1.978023003500000	2.716474071000000	-0.432501954300000
H	-2.227652628900000	3.773862054900000	-0.270464376800000
H	-2.076102332300000	2.512120077100000	-1.508837318000000
C	-0.559749960100000	2.415354348700000	0.037235907200000