

## Supporting information

### Nano rod shaped formation of an ionogel and its high catalytic activity for one-pot synthesis of benzothiazoles

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## Characterization of the Ionogel

TGA-DTA analysis was used to investigate the thermal stability of ionogel, since the observed weight loss is associated with loss of species present. From TGA graph (Fig. S1), the initial weight loss below 100 °C could be possibly due to loss of some physically adsorbed gases and also may be due to presence of volatile HCl and residual ethanol. The weight loss around 264 °C may be attributed to loss of chlorine anions associated to IL and the weight loss near 359 °C can be due to decomposition of alkyl groups of ionic liquid and complete decomposition of ionic liquid occurred near 660 °C and above 700 °C the weight loss will be due to decomposition of silica gel.

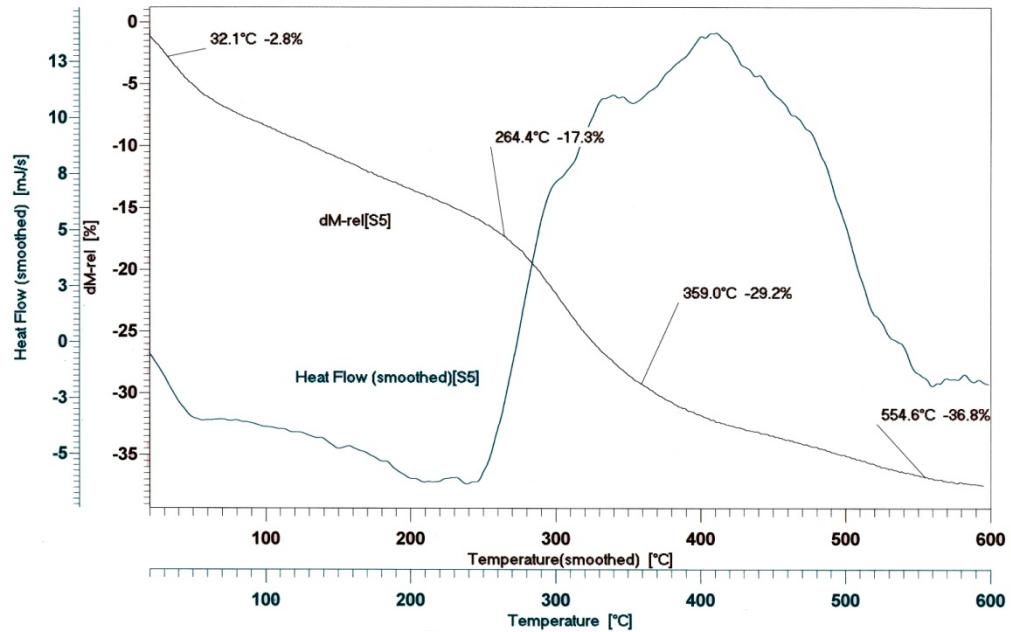


Fig. S1 TGA-DTA graph of ionogel

FTIR spectra (Fig. S2) of ionogel give the number of peaks corresponding to silica and ionic liquid. Silica region can be primarily divided into three peaks centre corresponding to near 453 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to rocking motion of oxygen atom bridging silicon atoms in siloxane bonds (Si-O-Si), 800 cm<sup>-1</sup> corresponding to symmetric vibration of silicon atom in silixane and and a larger peak near 1074 cm<sup>-1</sup> is due to antisymmetric motion of silicon atoms. The strong absorption band at 3302 cm<sup>-1</sup> which was due to the presence of –NH group and at 2902, 2877, 2281 and 1460 cm<sup>-1</sup>

shows the presence of –N-C-H, -C-H, N-N and C=N groups respectively corresponding to ionic liquid.

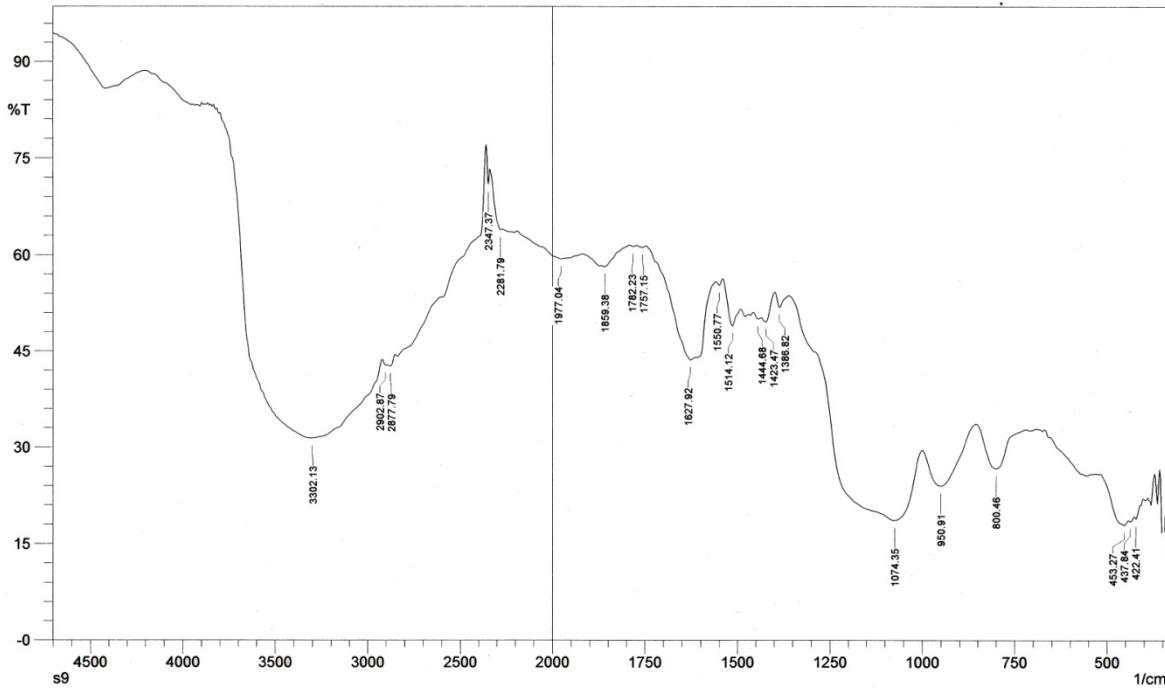


Fig. S2 FTIR spectra of ionogel

### Recyclability of the Ionogel

The important feature of ionogel was that it was reusable for several runs with very little loss in activity. To check the recyclability of ionogel 3-nitrobenzaldehyde and 2-aminothiophenol were chosen as test substrates and we tried the ionogel for seven consecutive runs. There was also a little loss of catalyst after every work-up which may be due to human error, so consecutive reactions were performed proportionally with ionogel. So from recyclability graph (Fig S3), it was concluded that the ionogel is reusable in the formation of benzothiazoles with very little loss in activities which is the main feature of heterogeneous catalysis. The little loss in activity may be attributed to reduction of some active sites of ionogel after every use.

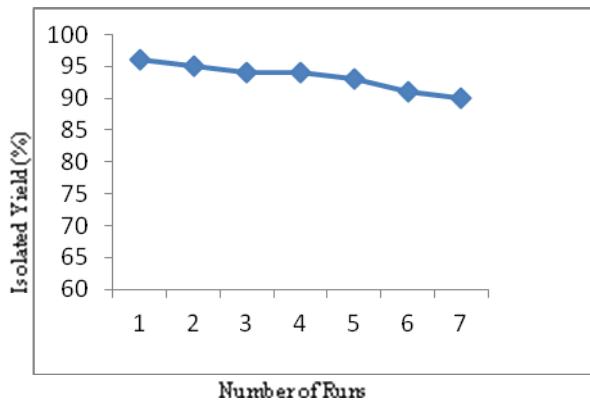


Fig.S3 Recyclability graph of the Ionogel

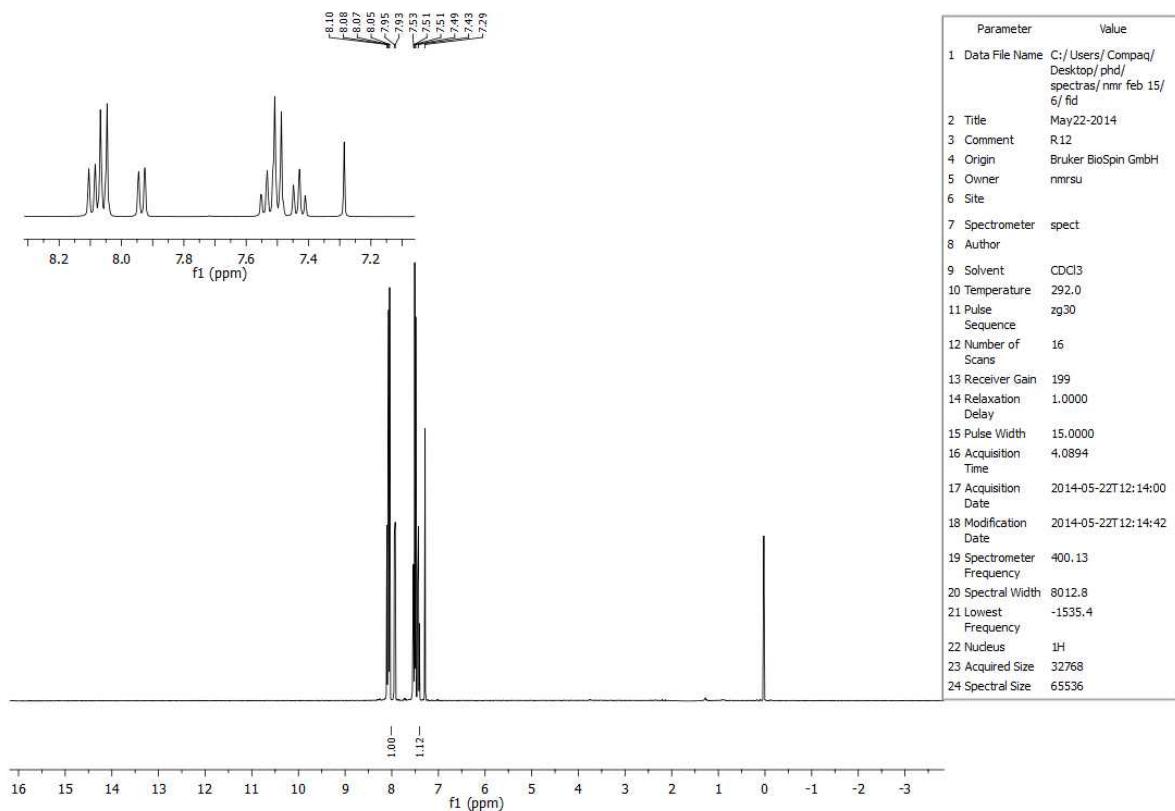
### Spectral data of some products

#### 2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[d]thiazole (Table 2, Entry 7, 3g)

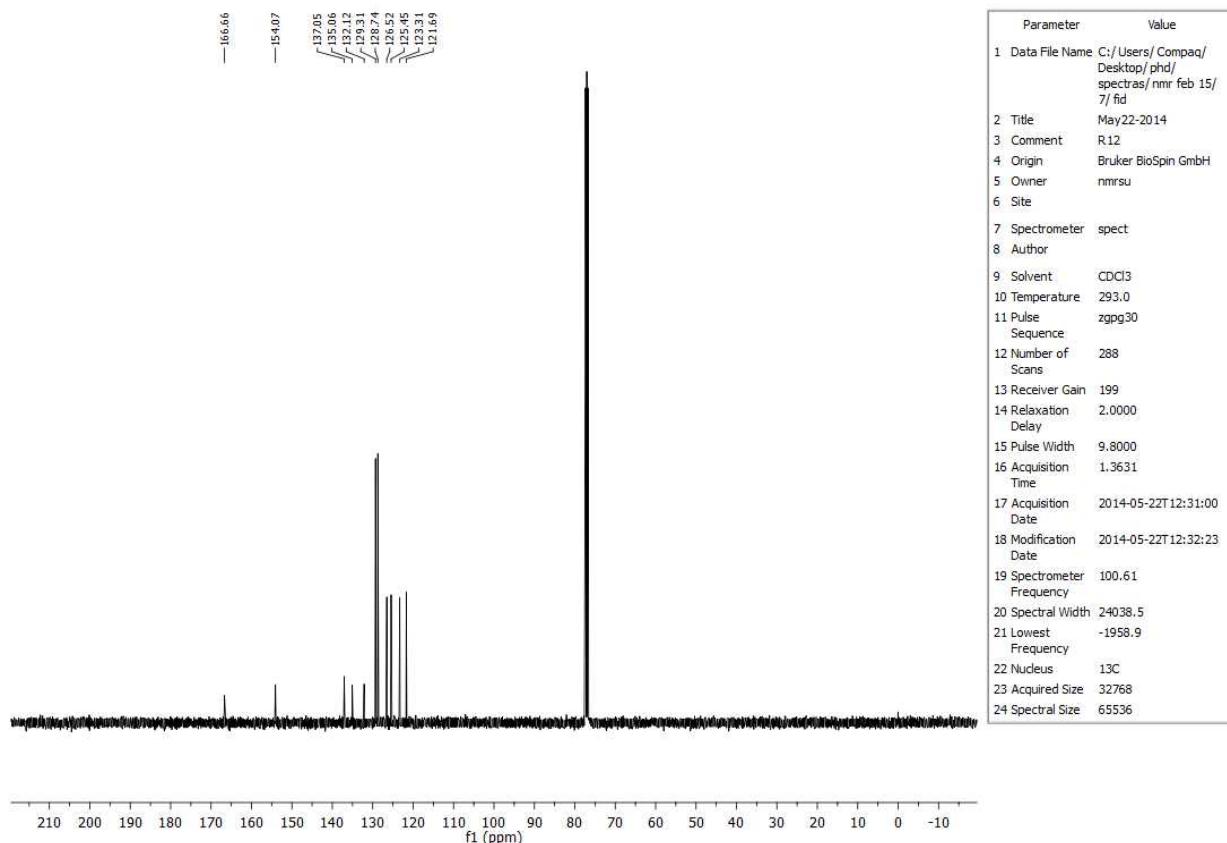
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.43-7.53 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.93 (d, 1H, Ar) 8.05-8.10 (m, 2H, Ar);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 121.7, 123.7, 125.4, 126.5, 128.7, 129.3, 132.1, 135.1, 137.1, 154.1, 166.7.

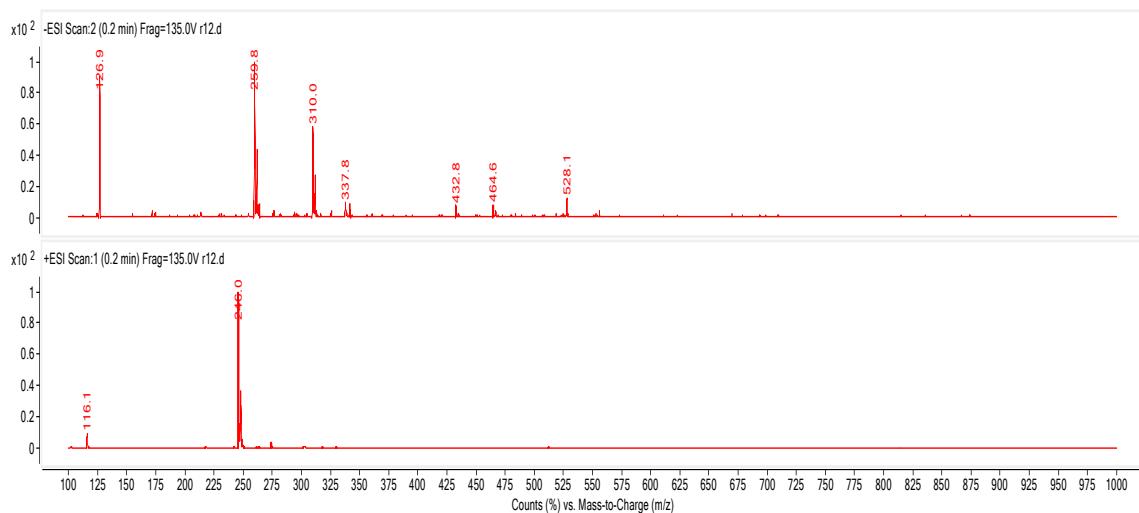
MS (m/z): 246 (M<sup>+</sup>)



**Fig. S4** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[d]thiazole



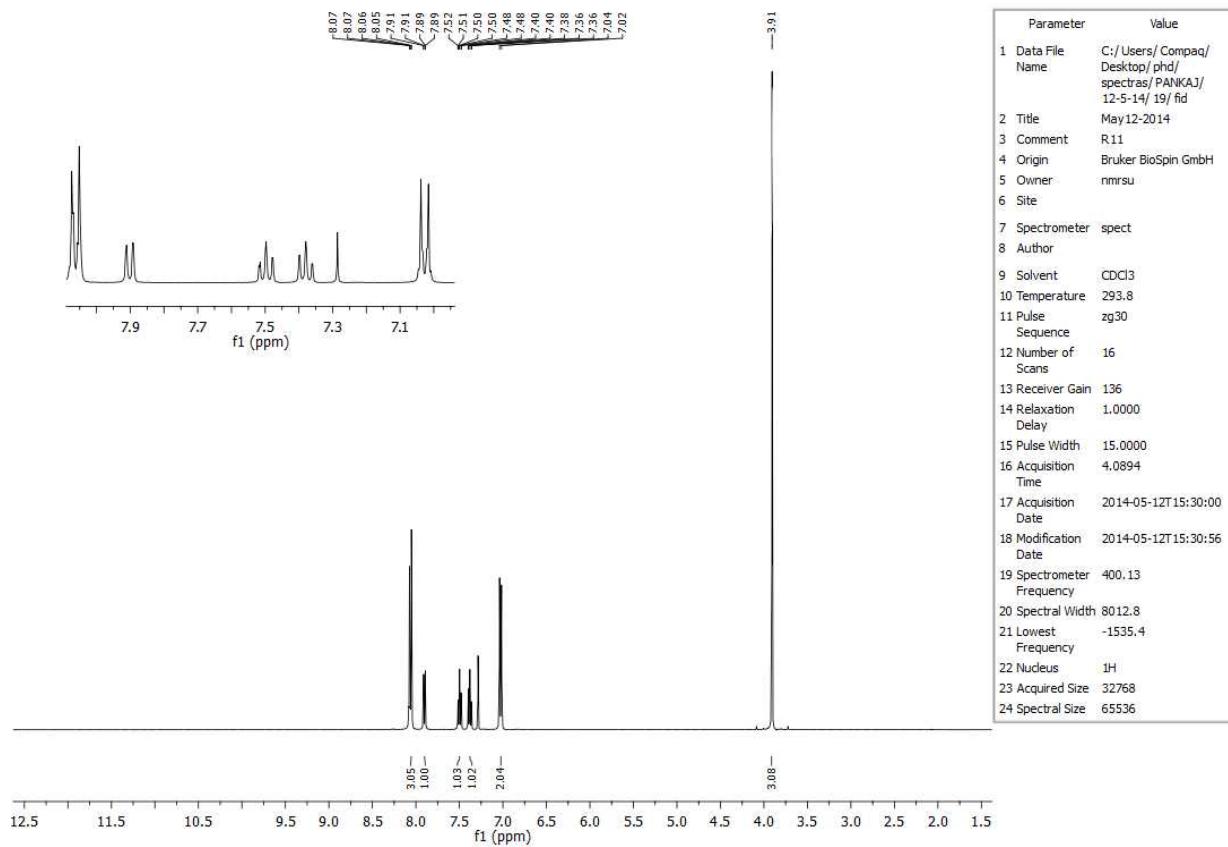
**Fig. S5** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[d]thiazole



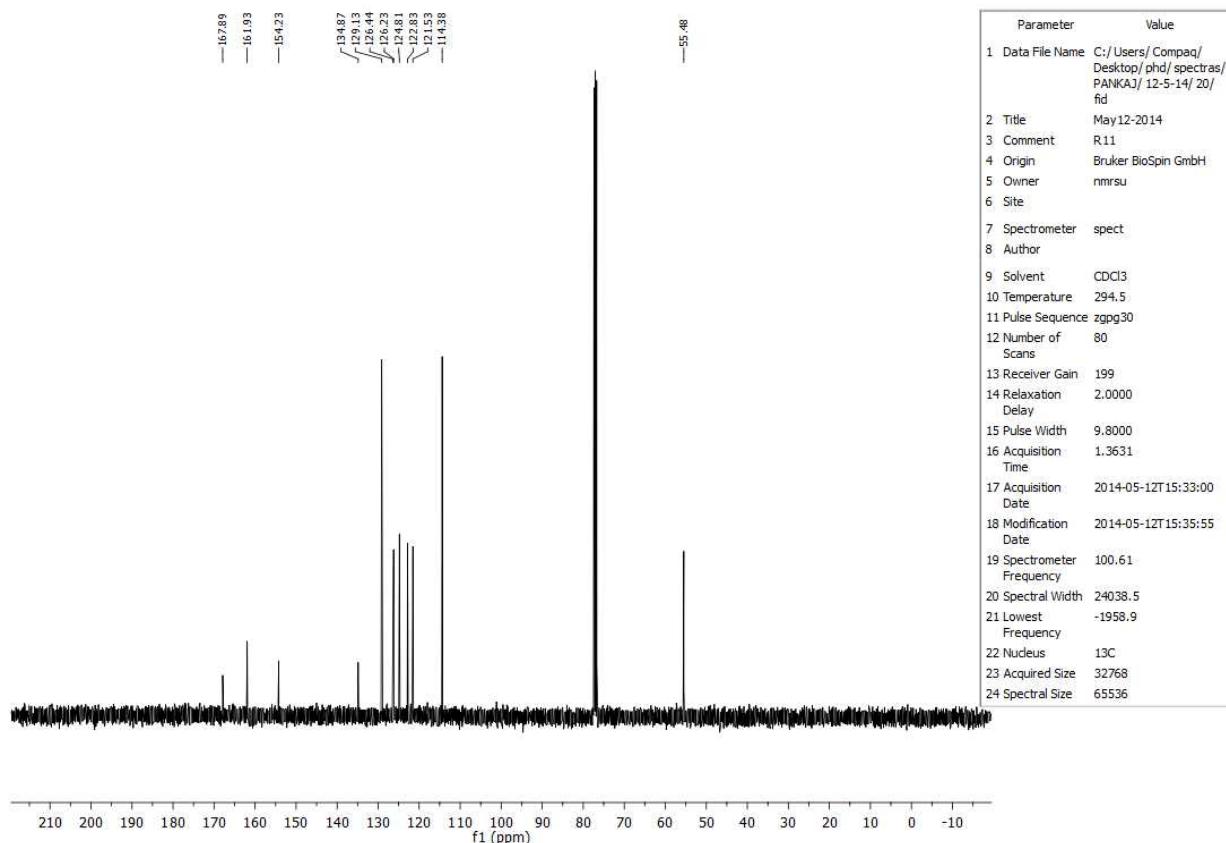
**Fig. S6** Mass spectra of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[d]thiazole

**2-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole (Table 2, Entry 12, 3l)**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.91 (s, 3H, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 7.02-7.04 (d, 2H, Ar), 7.36-7.40 (t, 1H, Ar), 7.48-7.52 (t, 1H, Ar), 7.89-7.91(d, 1H, Ar) 8.05-8.07 (m, 3H, Ar); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 55.5, 114.4, 121.5, 122.8, 124.8, 126.2, 126.4, 129.1, 134.9, 154.2, 161.9, 167.9.



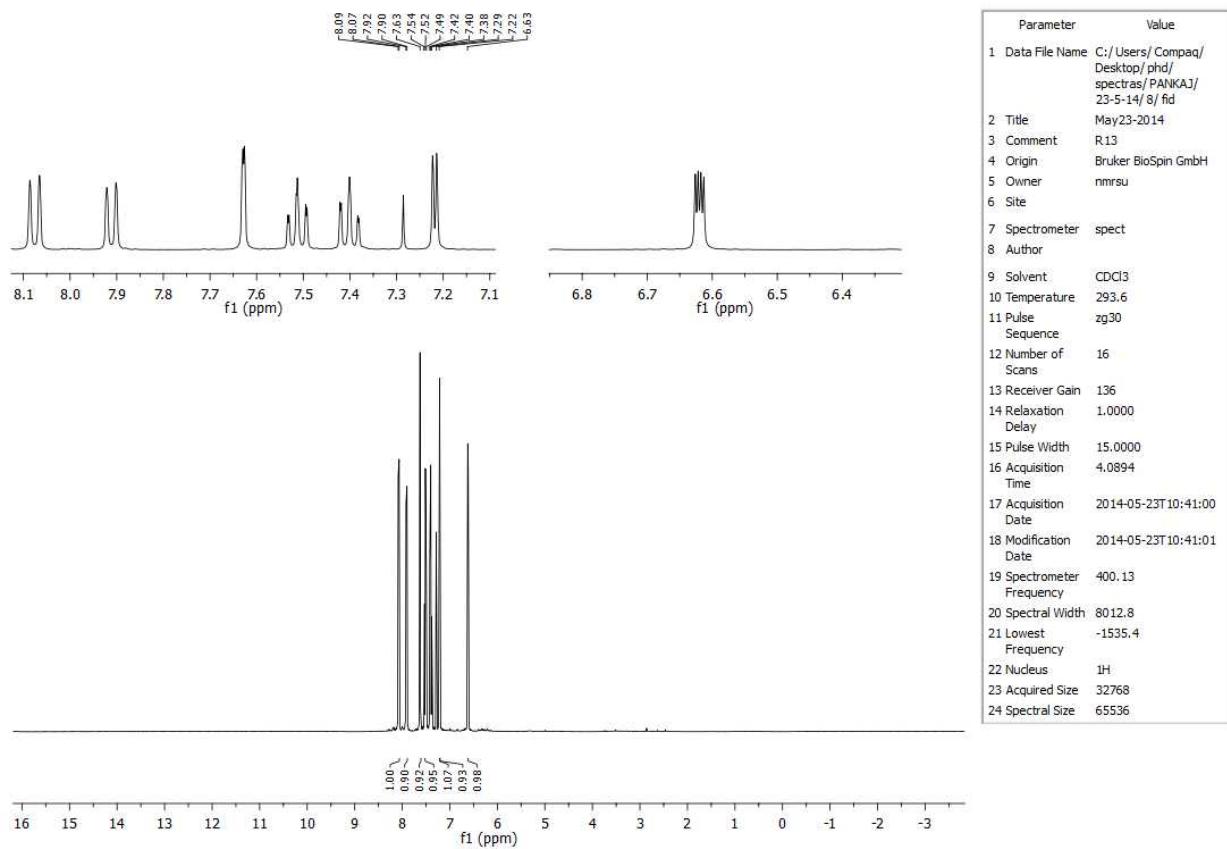
**Fig. S7** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole



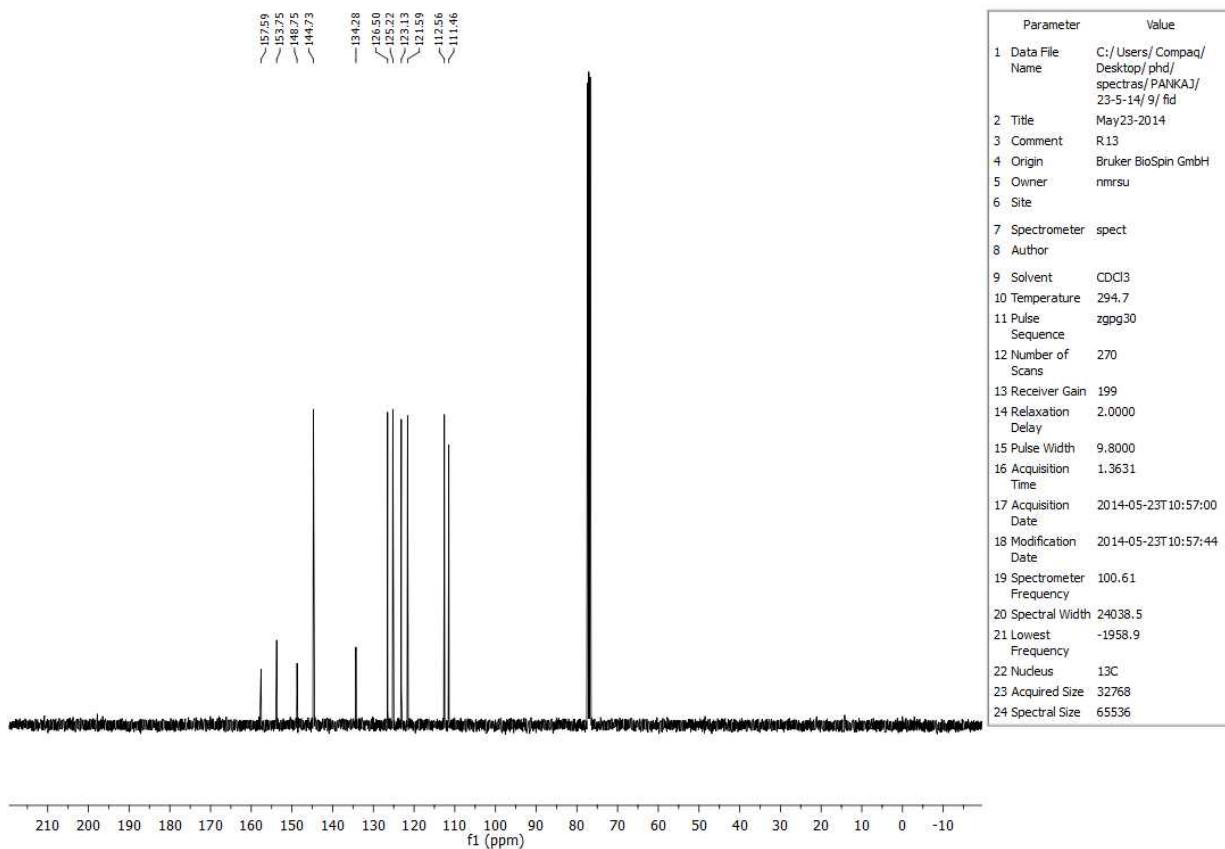
**Fig. S8** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole

### 2-(furan-2-yl)benzo[d]thiazole (Table 2, Entry 14, 3n)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.63 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.22 (d, 1H, Ar), 7.40 (t, 1H, Ar), 7.52 (t, 1H, Ar), 7.63 (t, 1H, Ar), 7.90 (d, 1H, Ar), 8.07 (d, 1H, Ar); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 111.5, 112.6, 121.6, 123.1, 125.2, 126.5, 134.3, 144.7, 148.8, 153.8, 157.6.



**Fig. S9** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra 2-(furan-2-yl)benzo[d]thiazole

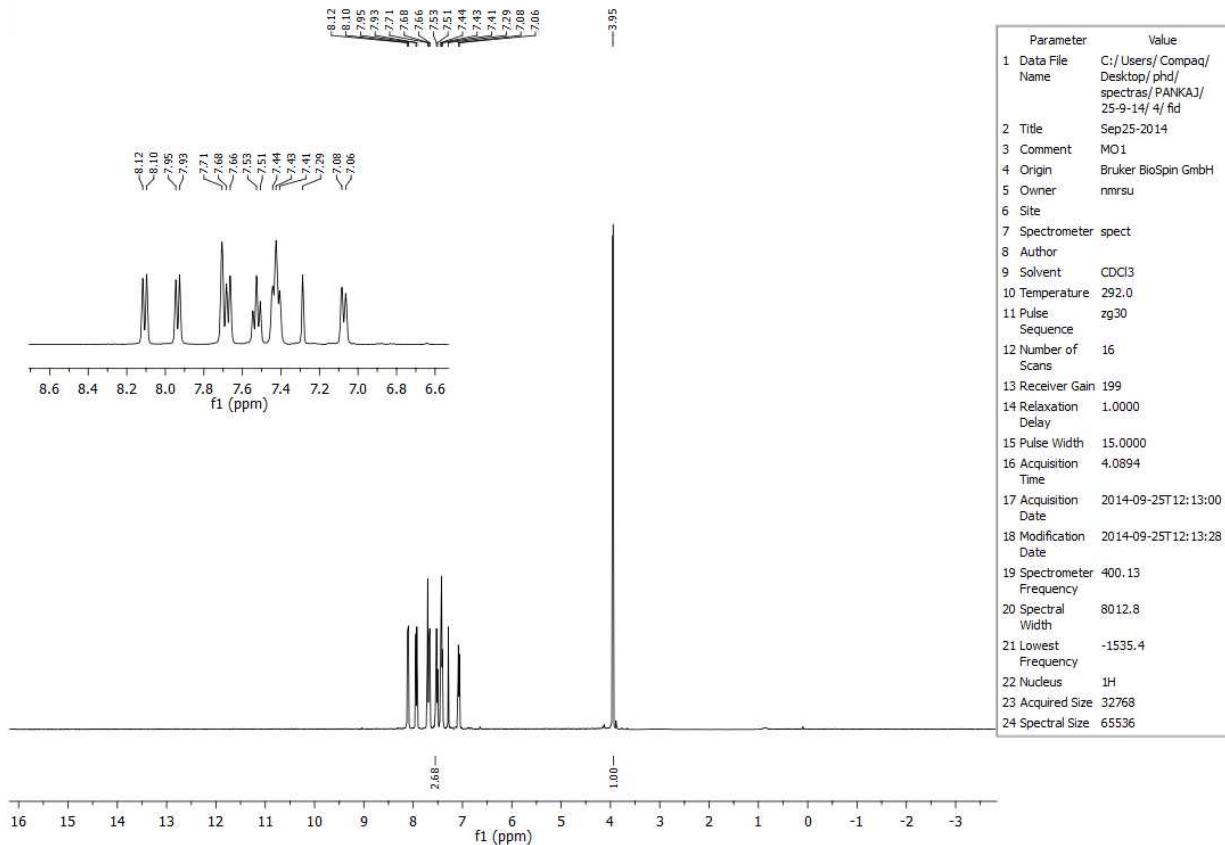


**Fig. S10** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra 2-(furan-2-yl)benzo[d]thiazole

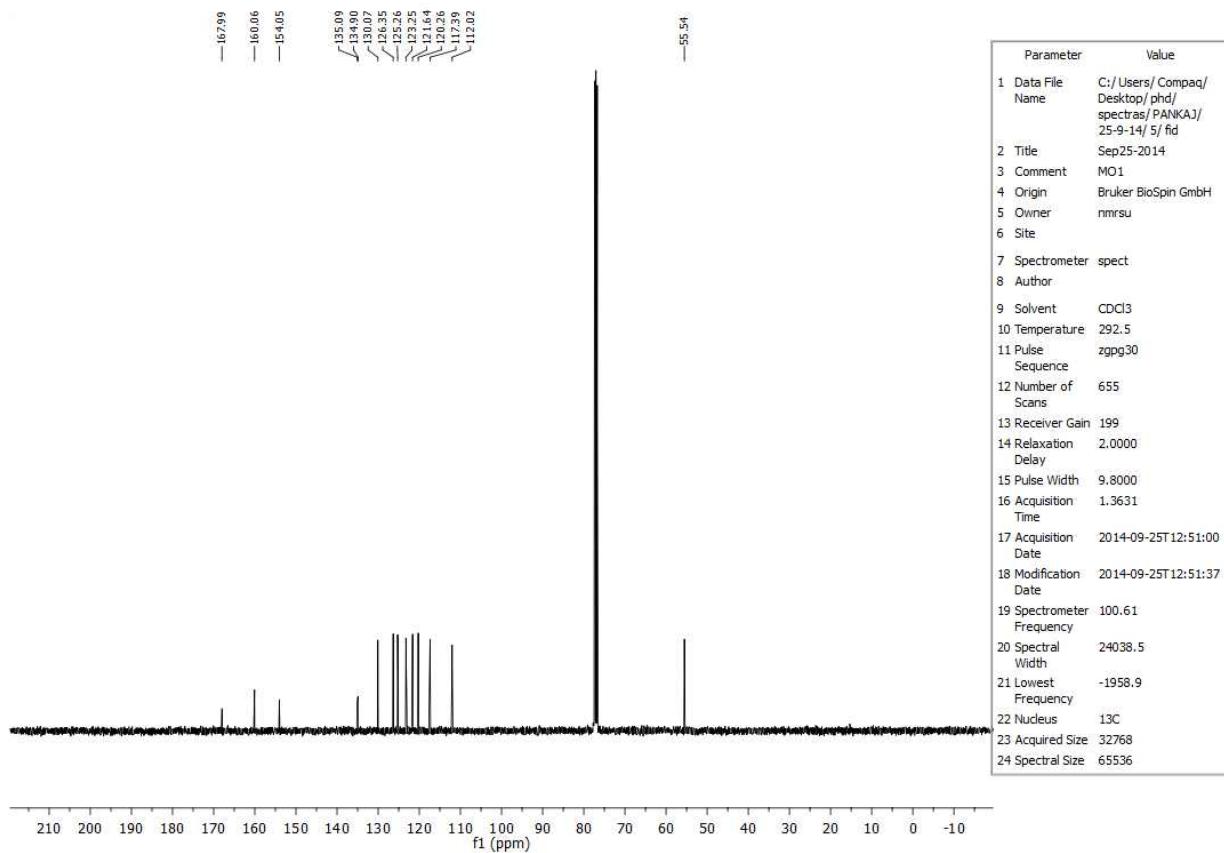
### 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole (Table 3, Entry 4, 5a)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.95 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 7.06 (d, 1H, Ar), 7.29 (s, 1H, Ar), 7.41-7.70 (m, 4H, Ar), 8.09 (d, 1H, Ar), 8.12 (d, 1H, Ar); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.5, 112.0, 117.4, 120.3, 121.6, 123.3, 125.3, 126.3, 130.1, 134.9, 135.1, 154.1, 160.1, 168.0.

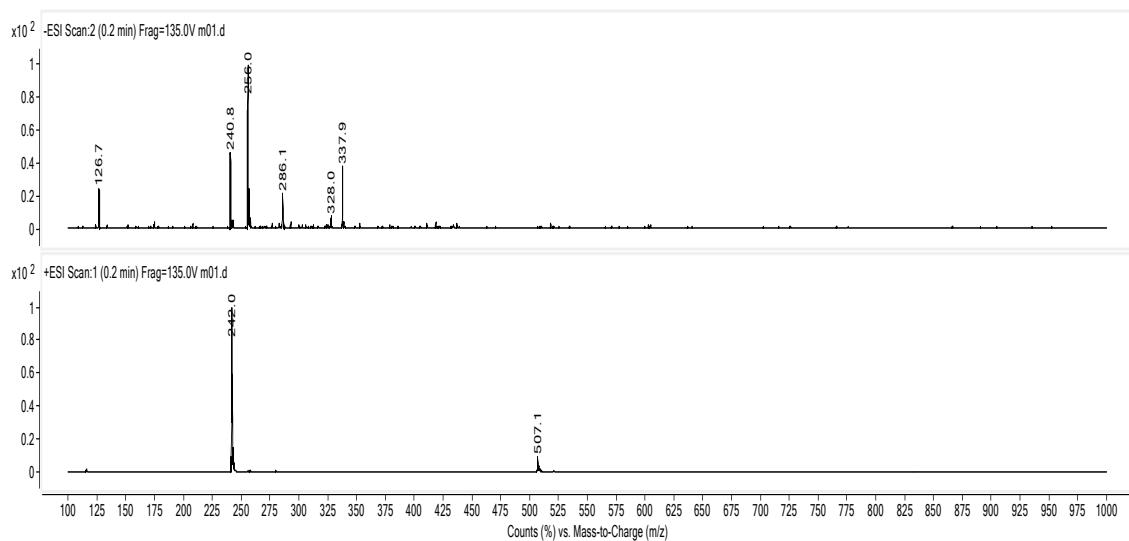
MS (m/z): 242 (M<sup>+</sup>).



**Fig. S11** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole



**Fig. S12** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole



**Fig. S13** Mass spectra of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole

### Crystallography data collection and refinement

X-ray data of complexes were collected on an X'calibur- Oxford Diffraction single crystal diffractometer (Department of Physics and Electronics, University of Jammu, Jammu) with CCD area-detector (graphite-monochromator, Mo-K $\alpha$  radiations,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ). Data were corrected for Lorentz, polarization and absorption factors. The structures were solved by direct methods using SHELXS97 [1]. All non-H atoms of the molecule were located in the best E-map. Full-matrix least-squares refinement was carried out using SHELXL97 [1]. The geometry of the molecule was calculated using WinGX [2], PARST [3] and PLATON [4]. Atomic scattering factors were taken from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1992, Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and 6.1.1.4). Molecular drawings were obtained using DIAMOND version 2.1 [5]. Crystallographic data, details of the data collection, structure solution and refinements are listed in Table 1.

1. Sheldrick GM (2008) Acta Crystallogr A64:112
2. Farrugia LJ (1999) J Appl Crystallogr 32:837
3. Nardelli M (1995) J Appl Crystallogr 28:659
4. Spek AL (2009) Acta Crystallogr D65:148
5. Brandenburg K (1998) DIAMOND, Version 2.1. Crystal Impact GbR, Bonn, Germany

**Table S1** Experimental details

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Crystal data	
Chemical formula	C <sub>22.40</sub> H <sub>17.60</sub> N <sub>1.60</sub> O <sub>1.60</sub> S <sub>1.60</sub>
M <sub>r</sub>	386.08
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
Temperature (K)	293
a, b, c (Å)	14.4054 (13), 6.3686 (5), 25.906 (3)
β (°)	101.775 (10)
V (Å <sup>3</sup> )	2326.6 (4)
Z	5
Radiation type	Mo K $\alpha$
μ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.26
Crystal size (mm)	0.2 × 0.2 × 0.1
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Xcalibur, Sapphire3 diffractometer
Absorption correction	Multi-scan

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$T_{\min}, T_{\max}$	0.919, 1.000
No. of measured, independent and observed [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ] reflections	8058, 4031, 2090
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.087
$(\sin \theta/\lambda)_{\max} (\text{\AA}^{-1})$	0.595
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.194, 0.485, 1.06
No. of reflections	4031
No. of parameters	308
No. of restraints	0
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1505P)^2 + 56.5819P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$\Delta\rho_{\max}, \Delta\rho_{\min} (\text{e \AA}^{-3})$	1.66, -0.61

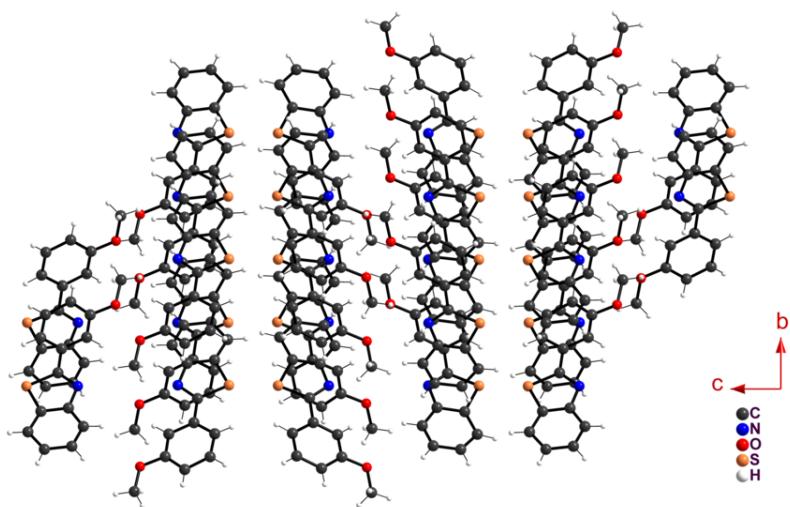
**Table S2** Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$  °)

S3—C4	1.687 (15)	S22—C21	1.705 (13)
S3—C2	1.802 (14)	S22—C23	1.814 (16)
O16—C14	1.387 (17)	O35—C33	1.388 (17)
O16—C17	1.449 (19)	O35—C36	1.431 (16)
N1—C2	1.265 (17)	N20—C21	1.335 (17)
N1—C5	1.419 (17)	N20—C24	1.350 (17)
C2—C10	1.478 (18)	C21—C29	1.476 (17)
C4—C5	1.41 (2)	C23—C25	1.43 (2)
C4—C9	1.45 (2)	C23—C24	1.43 (2)
C5—C6	1.328 (19)	C24—C28	1.41 (2)
C6—C7	1.38 (2)	C25—C26	1.39 (2)
C6—H6	0.9300	C25—H25	0.9300
C7—C8	1.41 (3)	C26—C27	1.42 (2)
C7—H7	0.9300	C26—H26	0.9300

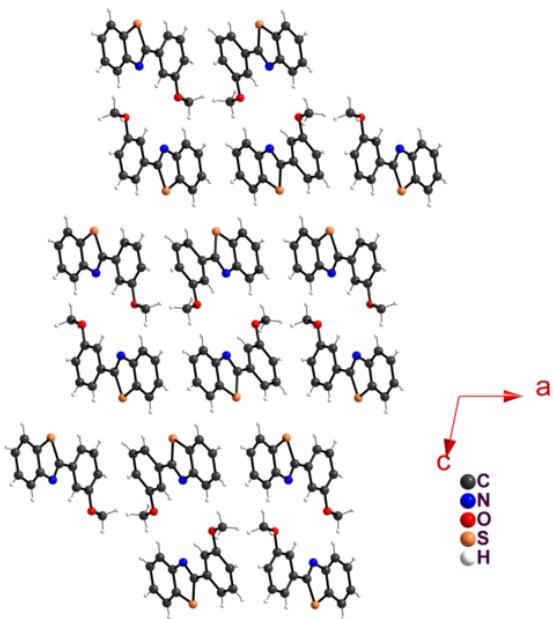
C8—C9	1.33 (2)	C27—C28	1.30 (2)
C8—H8	0.9300	C27—H27	0.9300
C9—H9	0.9300	C28—H28	0.9300
C10—C11	1.307 (19)	C29—C34	1.375 (18)
C10—C15	1.417 (18)	C29—C30	1.476 (19)
C11—C12	1.40 (2)	C30—C31	1.358 (19)
C11—H11	0.9300	C30—H30	0.9300
C12—C13	1.46 (2)	C31—C32	1.42 (2)
C12—H12	0.9300	C31—H31	0.9300
C13—C14	1.301 (18)	C32—C33	1.44 (2)
C13—H13	0.9300	C32—H32	0.9300
C14—C15	1.374 (18)	C33—C34	1.345 (18)
C15—H15	0.9300	C34—H34	0.9300
C17—H17A	0.9600	C36—H36A	0.9600
C17—H17B	0.9600	C36—H36B	0.9600
C17—H17C	0.9600	C36—H36C	0.9600
C4—S3—C2	92.2 (7)	C21—S22—C23	85.3 (7)
C14—O16—C17	123.7 (11)	C33—O35—C36	114.4 (11)
C2—N1—C5	108.7 (12)	C21—N20—C24	112.6 (12)
N1—C2—C10	121.0 (13)	N20—C21—C29	124.3 (12)
N1—C2—S3	114.1 (11)	N20—C21—S22	119.1 (10)
C10—C2—S3	124.8 (10)	C29—C21—S22	116.5 (10)
C5—C4—C9	127.1 (14)	C25—C23—C24	119.5 (14)
C5—C4—S3	105.7 (10)	C25—C23—S22	128.8 (12)
C9—C4—S3	127.3 (12)	C24—C23—S22	111.7 (10)
C6—C5—C4	114.6 (13)	N20—C24—C28	128.5 (15)
C6—C5—N1	126.1 (14)	N20—C24—C23	111.2 (13)
C4—C5—N1	119.2 (12)	C28—C24—C23	120.3 (14)
C5—C6—C7	120.2 (16)	C26—C25—C23	113.7 (14)
C5—C6—H6	119.9	C26—C25—H25	123.2

C7—C6—H6	119.9	C23—C25—H25	123.2
C6—C7—C8	124.7 (16)	C25—C26—C27	127.1 (16)
C6—C7—H7	117.7	C25—C26—H26	116.4
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C9—C8—C7	119.1 (16)	C28—C27—C26	116.7 (17)
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C11—C10—C15	118.6 (12)	C34—C29—C30	121.7 (12)
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C10—C11—H11	121.9	C31—C30—H30	119.8
C12—C11—H11	121.9	C29—C30—H30	119.8
C11—C12—C13	127.0 (14)	C30—C31—C32	116.6 (14)
C11—C12—H12	116.5	C30—C31—H31	121.7
C13—C12—H12	116.5	C32—C31—H31	121.7
C14—C13—C12	111.9 (14)	C31—C32—C33	122.0 (12)
C14—C13—H13	124.1	C31—C32—H32	119.0
C12—C13—H13	124.1	C33—C32—H32	119.0
C13—C14—C15	123.4 (14)	C34—C33—O35	112.1 (12)
C13—C14—O16	117.5 (13)	C34—C33—C32	121.0 (13)
C15—C14—O16	119.1 (12)	O35—C33—C32	126.8 (12)
C14—C15—C10	122.8 (12)	C33—C34—C29	118.2 (13)
C14—C15—H15	118.6	C33—C34—H34	120.9
C10—C15—H15	118.6	C29—C34—H34	120.9
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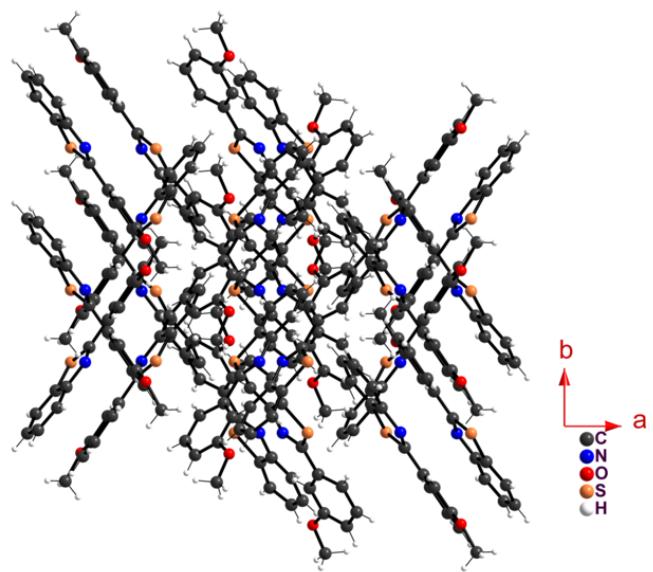
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O16—C17—H17C	109.5	O35—C36—H36C	109.5
H17A—C17—H17C	109.5	H36A—C36—H36C	109.5
H17B—C17—H17C	109.5	H36B—C36—H36C	109.5



**Fig. 14** Packing arrangement of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole along *a* axis



**Fig. 15** Packing arrangement of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole along *b* axis



**Fig. 16** Packing arrangement of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)benzo[d]thiazole along *c* axis