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Photocontrol of Ion Permeation in Lipid Vesicles with (Bola)amphiphilic Spirooxazines

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Procedures for the synthesis of 2 and 3

15-(4-Bromophenyl)pentadec-14-yn-1-ol (4)

The preparation of 4 has been adapted from a previously published procedure. Starting material, pentadec-14-yn-1-ol, was synthesized following a reported procedure.² Pentadec-14yn-1-ol (6.65 g, 29.6 mmol) was added to a solution of 1-bromo-4-iodobenzene (8.80 g, 31.1 mmol) in triethylamine (210 mL) followed by the addition of Pd(Ph₃P)₂Cl₂ (193 mg, 0.275 mmol) and copper (I) iodide (116 mg, 0.609 mmol) under an atmosphere of argon at 0 °C. After stirring for 10 min, the ice bath was removed and the reaction mixture continued to stir for another 2 h while it warmed to room temperature. The reaction mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (60 mL) and poured into water (100 mL) to give a biphasic mixture. This mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with aqueous hydrochloric acid (2×70 mL, 1M), washed with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium chloride (2 × 100 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:1 petroleum ether/diethyl ether) gave pure 4 as an off-white solid (6.98 g, 62%). ¹H NMR $(CDCl_3, \delta)$: 1.27 (m, 16H, CH₂), 1.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.56 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.37 (t, J =7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.19–7.29 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.35–7.45 (m, 2H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 19.6, 25.9, 28.8, 29.1, 29.3, 29.6, 29.7, 29.8, 33.0, 63.2, 79.7, 92.0, 121.6, 123.2, 131.5, 133.2. HRMS-EI (m/z): $[M]^+$ calcd for $C_{21}H_{31}O^{79}Br$, 378.1558; found 378.1545.

15-(4-Bromophenyl)pentadecan-1-ol (5)

The preparation of **5** has been adapted from a previously published procedure.³ Platinum (IV) oxide (100 mg, 0.440 mmol) was added to a solution of **4** (6.90 g, 18.2 mmol) in dry methanol. This reaction mixture was shaken in a hydrogenation apparatus under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1.7 atm) at room temperature. After 2 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:1 petroleum ether/diethyl ether) gave pure **5** as an off-white solid (6.80 g, 98%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.25 (m, 22H, CH₂), 1.56 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.55 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.64 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.00–7.10 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.34–7.42 (m, 2H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 25.9, 29.3, 29.6, 29.7, 29.8, 31.5, 33.0, 35.5, 63.3, 119.4, 130.3, 131.4, 142.0. HRMS-EI (m/z): [M]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₃₅O⁷⁹Br, 382.1871; found 382.1865.

(15-(4-Bromophenyl)pentadecyloxy)(tert-butyl)dimethylsilane (6)

The preparation of **6** has been adapted from a previously published procedure.⁴ Imidazole (3.01 g, 44.2 mmol) was added to a solution of **5** (6.80 g, 17.7 mmol) in dimethylformamide (40 mL) followed by the addition of *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl chloride (3.20 g, 21.2 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring at 40 °C for 2 h, ice water (50 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 50 mL), washed with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium chloride (80 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:5 diethyl ether/ petroleum ether) gave pure **6** as a colorless oil (7.54 g, 85%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 0.05 (s, 6H, CH₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.26 (m, 22H, CH₂), 1.40–1.70 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.60 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 6.95–7.09

(m, 2H, Ar H), 7.34–7.43 (m, 2H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): –5.1, 18.5, 26.0, 26.2, 29.3, 29.6, 29.7, 29.8, 31.5, 33.1, 35.5, 63.5, 119.4, 130.3, 131.4, 142.0. HRMS-CI (m/z): [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₅₀OSi⁷⁹Br, 497.2814; found 497.2803.

tert-Butyldimethyl(15-(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)pentadecyloxy)silane (7)

The precursor boronic acid was initially prepared by adding n-BuLi (6.96 mL of a 2.5 M solution in hexanes, 17.4 mmol) dropwise to a solution of 6 (7.20 g, 14.5 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (80 mL) at -78 °C under an atmosphere of argon. After stirring for 30 min, trimethoxyborane (1.95) g, 18.7 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at -78 °C and then the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring for 12 h, deionized water (60 mL) was added followed by the addition of aqueous ammonium chloride (15 mL, 1.0 M). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate ($3 \times 70 \text{ mL}$). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium chloride (70 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The boronic acid was obtained as a colorless oil (6.69 g, 100%) and was used to prepare 7 without further purification. Pinacol (1.89 g, 16.0 mmol) was added to a solution of the boronic acid (6.69 g, 14.5 mmol) in toluene (100 mL) as one portion at room temperature. After refluxing the reaction mixture for 1 h, water produced during the reaction was removed using a Dean-Stark trap. The remaining mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:20 diethyl ether/petroleum ether) gave pure 7 as a colorless oil (4.70 g, 54%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 0.05 (s, 6H, CH₃), 0.91 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.26 (m, 22H, CH₂), 1.34 (s, 12H, CH₃), 1.40–1.70 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.62 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.60 (t, J = 6.6 Hz,

2H, CH₂), 7.13–7.23 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.65–7.75 (m, 2H, Ar H). 13 C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): –5.1, 18.5, 25.0, 26.0, 26.2, 29.5, 29.6, 29.7, 29.8, 31.5, 33.1, 36.4, 63.5, 83.7, 128.0, 135.0, 146.6. HRMS-EI (m/z): [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₃H₆₁¹¹BO₃NaSi, 567.4375; found 567.4394.

15-(4-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)pentadecan-1-ol (8)

Hydrochloric acid (75 mL, 1 M) in methanol was added to a solution of 7 (4.65 g, 10.8 mmol) in dichloromethane (26 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 30 min, the reaction mixture was diluted with deionized water (80 mL) and was extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 70 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium chloride (80 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:1 diethyl ether/petroleum ether) gave pure **8** as a colorless solid (3.36 g, 92%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.25 (m, 22H, CH₂), 1.34 (s, 12H, CH₃), 1.47–1.70 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.61 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.64 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.13–7.23 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.65–7.75 (m, 2H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 25.0, 25.9, 29.4, 29.6, 29.7, 29.8, 31.5, 32.9, 36.3, 63.2, 83.7, 128.0, 134.9, 146.6. HRMS-EI (m/z): [M]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₄₇¹¹BO₃, 430.3618; found 430.3622.

2-(4-(15-Bromopentadecyl)phenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (9)

The preparation of **9** has been adapted from a previously published procedure.⁵ *N*-Bromosuccinamide (1.64 g, 9.20 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of triphenylphosphine (2.41 g, 9.20 mmol) and **8** (3.30 g, 7.67 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (40 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with deionized water (40 mL) and was extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 40 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated

aqueous solution of sodium chloride (70 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:40 diethyl ether/petroleum ether) gave pure **9** as a colorless solid (2.26 g, 60%). 1 H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.26 (m, 20H, CH₂), 1.34 (s, 12H, CH₃), 1.41 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.59 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.86 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.62 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.41 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.15–7.24 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.68–7.79 (m, 2H, Ar H). 13 C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 25.0, 28.3, 28.9, 29.5, 29.6, 29.7, 29.8, 31.5, 33.0, 34.2, 36.3, 83.7, 128.0, 134.9, 146.5. HRMS-EI (m/z): [M] $^{+}$ calcd for C₂₇H₄₆ 11 BO₂ 79 Br, 492.2774; found 492.2770.

N,N,N-Triethyl-15-(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)pentadecan-1-aminium bromide (10)

A solution of **9** (895 mg, 1.8 mmol) in triethylamine (2.2 mL, 15.8 mmol) and ethanol (9 mL) was refluxed for 24 h. After allowing the reaction mixture to cool to room temperature, it was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual solid was then washed with diethyl ether (2 × 10 mL) to give pure **10** as a colorless solid (0.984 g, 92 %). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.10–1.45 (m, 43H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.50–1.75 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.58 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.25 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.47 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 6H, CH₂), 7.13–7.20 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.65–7.80 (m, 2H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 8.2, 22.2, 24.9, 26.6, 29.2, 29.4, 29.5, 29.6, 29.7, 31.4, 31.6, 36.0, 36.2, 53.7, 83.7, 127.9, 134.8, 146.5. HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M]⁺ calcd for C₃₃H₆₁¹¹BNO₂ 514.4790; found 514.4779.

Potassium 4-(15-(*N*,*N*,*N*-triethylpentadecan)aminium bromide)phenyltrifluoroborate (11) The preparation of 11 has been adapted from a previously published procedure.⁶ Aqueous potassium hydrogen fluoride (0.520 mL, 2.34 mmol, 4.5 M) was added dropwise to the solution of 10 (240 mg, 0.404 mmol) in methanol (6 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for 15 min, the resulting white slurry was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual solid was then washed with 1:1 water/methanol (2 × 5 mL) followed by dichloromethane (2 × 5 mL) to give 11 as an off-white solid (195 mg, 84%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 0.90–1.35 (m, 31H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.38–1.65 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.46 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.08 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.19 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 6H, CH₂), 6.82–6.92 (m, 2H, Ar H), 7.16–7.26 (m, 2H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆, δ): 7.1, 20.7, 20.8, 25.3, 28.1, 28.5, 28.6, 28.7, 28.8, 29.0, 31.2, 31.3, 35.1, 35.2, 51.7, 63.8, 126.2,

131.3, 138.2, 170.4. HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[M]^+$ calcd for $C_{27}H_{49}^{-11}BNF_3K$, 494.3542; found

10-(Hydroxyimino)-2-iodophenanthren-9-one (12)

494.3534.

The preparation of **12** has been adapted from a previously published procedure. Initially, the precursor 2-iodo-9,10-phenanthrenedione was prepared with minor modification of a published procedure. Phenanthrenequinone (6.08 g, 29.3 mmol) was dissolved in acetic acid (100 mL) and sulfuric acid (7.5 mL). Iodine (15.3 g, 60.1 mmol) was slowly added to this solution over 30 min. The mixture was heated to 100 °C and nitric acid (3 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 6 h and then cooled to room temperature. The mixture was poured into water (300 mL) and the resulting precipitate was collected by vacuum filtration, washed with water (3 × 30 mL), a 10% aqueous solution of sodium carbonate (3 × 30 mL) and a 1 N aqueous solution of sodium thiosulfate (3 × 30 mL). The crude product was filtered with a short silica gel column

(chloroform), recrystallized thrice from ethyl acetate to remove starting material, and purified by gravity column chromatography (silica gel; dichloromethane) to give pure 2-iodo-9,10phenanthrenedione as orange crystals (1.18 g, 12%), mp 224–225 °C (lit. 225 °C⁹). ¹H NMR $(CDCl_3, \delta)$: 7.47 (ddd, J = 0.9, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar H-7), 7.67–7.74 (m, 2H, Ar H-4,5) 7.95–8.04(m, 2H, Ar H-6,8), 8.18 (dd, J = 1.2, 6.3 Hz, 1H, Ar H-3), 8.47 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H, Ar H-1). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 96.3, 125.1, 127.2, 129.9, 130.4, 132.1, 133.4, 135.3, 135.3, 136.1, 137.7, 144.0, 178.4, 178.8. HRMS-EI (m/z): $[M]^+$ calcd for $C_{14}H_7O_2I$, 333.9485; found 333.9488. Subsequently, a mixture of 2-iodo-9,10-phenanthrenedione (715 mg, 2.14 mmol), ethanol (40 mL), pyridine (1.4 mL) and hydroxylamine hydrochloride (205 mg, 2.95 mmol) was refluxed for 3 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and then concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:1 petroleum ether/dichloromethane) gave pure 12 as a yellow solid (682 mg, 91%), mp 153–155 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 7.40–7.57 (m, 1H, Ar H), 7.69–7.88 (m, 3H, Ar H), 7.95–8.12(m, 1H, Ar H), 8.23–8.39 (m, 1H, Ar H), 8.57–8.67 (m, 1H, Ar H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 95.7, 123.5, 124.2, 124.9, 127.7, 128.9, 129.5, 130.1, 130.4, 132.9, 136.5, 138.9, 144.8, 181.7. HRMS-EI (m/z): [M]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₈NO₂I, 348.9600; found 348.9601.

1,4-Bis(6'-iodo-3,3-dimethylspiro[indoline-2,2'-[2H]phenanthro[9,10-b][1,4]oxazine]-1-yl)butane (13)

Initially, the precursor bisindoline was prepared in two steps with minor modification of a published procedure. Briefly, 2,3,3-trimethylindolenine (6.67 g, 41.9 mmol) and 1,4-dibromobutane (2.57 g, 11.9 mmol) were stirred at 140 °C. After stirring for 22 h, the resulting precipitate was collected by vacuum filtration, washed with diethyl ether (3×30 mL) and

acetone (3 × 30 mL). Recrystallization from water gave 1-(4-(3,3-dimethyl-2-methyleneindolin-1-yl)butyl)-2,3,3-trimethyl-3H-indolium bromide as purple crystals (3.24 g, 60%) Subsequently, the indoleninium salt (1.26 g, 2.77 mmol) was added to a 1 N aqueous solution of potassium hydroxide (11 mL, 11mmol) and was stirred vigorously at room temperature. After stirring for 2 h, the reaction mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (3×8 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium chloride (2 × 8 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (basic aluminum oxide; 10:1 petroleum ether/diethyl ether) gave pure 1,4-bis(3,3-dimethyl-2-methyleneindolin-1-yl)butane as pink crystals (605 mg, 59%), mp 103–105 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.34 (s, 12H, CH₃), 1.74 (m, 4H, CH_2), 3.55 (t, J = 6 Hz, 4H, CH_2), 3.87 (m, 4H, CH_2), 6.51 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, Ar H-7), 6.77 (dt, $J = 1.0, 7.5 \text{ Hz}, 2H, \text{ Ar H-5}, 7.09 - 7.15 \text{ (m, 4 H, Ar H-4,6).}^{13} \text{C NMR (CDCl}_3, \delta): 24.3, 30.3,$ 42.4, 44.4, 73.4, 105.3, 118.5, 122.1, 127.7, 137.8, 146.1, 161.8. A solution of **12** (393 mg, 1.06) mmol) in ethanol (100 mL) was added dropwise over 3 h to a refluxing solution of the bisindoline (740 mg, 2.12 mmol) in ethanol (25 mL). After refluxing for an additional 18 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product twice by flash column chromatography (neutral aluminum oxide; 3:1 petroleum ether/dichloromethane) and recrystallization from diethyl ether gave 13 as a blue solid (285 mg, 26%), mp 207–208 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.15–1.35 (m, 12H, CH₃), 1.45–1.60 (m, 4H, CH₂), 2.95–3.20 (m, 4H, CH₂), 6.30–6.45 (m, 2H, Ar H-7), 6.77–6.92 (m, 2H, Ar H-5), 6.97–7.19 (m, 4H, Ar H-4,6), 7.38–7.52 (m, 2H, Ar H-11'), 7.53–7.69 (m, 4H, Ar H-10',3'), 7.73–7.89 (m, 2H, Ar H-12'), 7.93–8.06 (m, 2H, Ar H-8'), 8.17–8.31 (m, 2H, Ar H-7'), 8.42–8.56 (m, 2H, Ar H-5'), 8.93–9.05 (m, 2H, Ar H-9'). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 14.3, 22.8, 25.4,

31.7, 44.2, 51.9, 94.0, 99.6, 106.9, 118.6, 119.7, 121.9, 122.6, 122.8, 124.3, 124.5, 125.5, 127.3, 128.1, 128.2, 131.0, 131.3, 131.6, 133.6, 135.6, 146.7, 151.2. HRMS-FD (*m/z*): [M]⁺ calcd for C₅₄H₄₄N₄O₂I₂, 1034.1554; found 1034.1529.

1,4-Bis(6'-(4-(15-(triethylammonio)pentadecyl)phenyl)-3,3-dimethylspiro[indoline-2,2'-[2H]phenanthro[9,10-b][1,4]oxazine]-1-yl)butane dibromide (2)

Initially, the precursor 15-(4-boronophenyl)-N,N,V-triethylpentadecan-1-aminium bromide was prepared with minor modification of a published procedure. Briefly, trimethylsilyl chloride (106 µL, 0.836 mmol) was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of 11 (160 mg, 0.279 mmol) in acetonitrile (5 mL) and water (15 µL, 0.836 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate (0.5 mL) and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual white solid was used to prepare 2 without further purification. The boronic acid (90 mg, 0.18 mmol), 13 (60 mg, 0.058 mmol), Pd(Ph₃P)₄ (15 mg, 0.013 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (5 mL) were refluxed under an atmosphere of argon. This was followed by the dropwise addition of aqueous sodium carbonate (0.2 mL, 2.0 M). After stirring for 15 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, filtered with a short basic aluminum oxide column (methanol) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by flash column chromatography (basic aluminum oxide; 20:1 acetonitrile/methanol) gave pure **2** as a blue solid (22 mg, 22%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.00–1.49 (m, 74H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.50–1.80 (m, 12H, CH₂), 2.53–2.75 (m, 4H, CH₂), 3.15–3.33 (m, 4H, CH₂), 3.38–3.57 (m, 16H, CH₂), 6.25–6.40 (m, 2H, Ar H), 6.75–6.90 (m, 2H, Ar H), 6.95–7.15 (m, 4H, Ar H), 7.20–8.25 (m, 17H, Ar H), 8.49–8.70 (m, 4H, Ar H), 8.73–8.81 (m, 1H, Ar H), 8.83-8.92 (m, 1H, Ar H), 9.00-9.20 (m, 1H, Ar H). We were unable to obtain a ¹³C NMR

spectrum for **2** due to its low solubility. HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[M + 2H]^{2+}$ calcd for $C_{108}H_{142}N_6O_2$, 777.5591; found 777.5582.

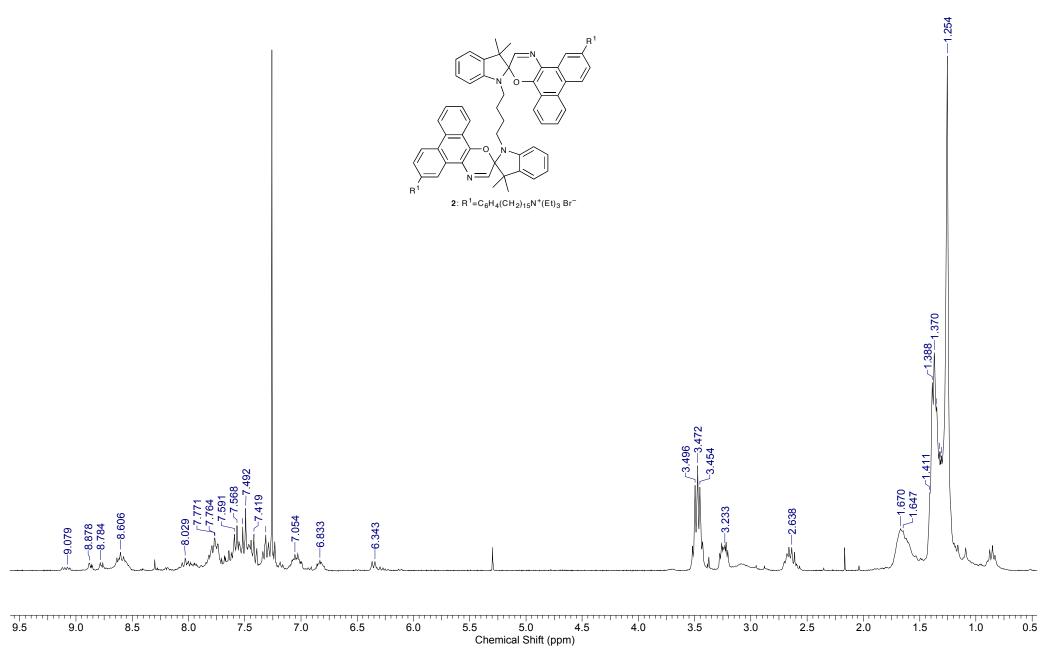
N-(6-Bromohexyl)-3,3-dimethylspiro[indoline-2,2'-[2H]phenanthro[9,10-b][1,4]oxazine] (14)

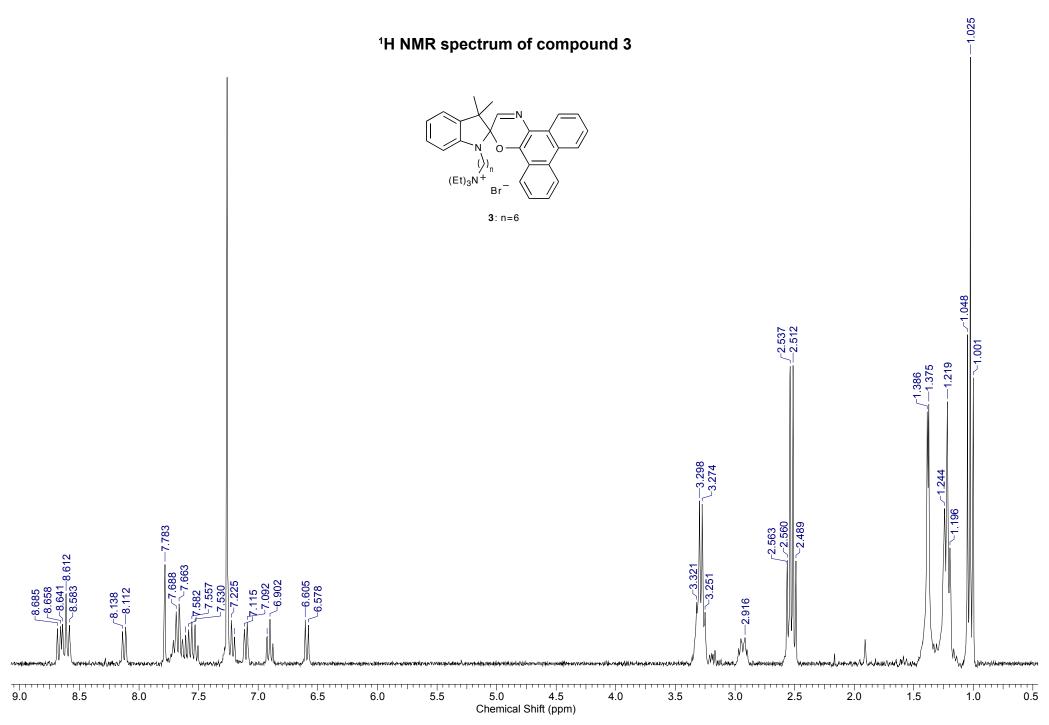
The preparation of 14 has been adapted from a previously published procedure. 11 A solution of 10-(hydroxyimino)phenanthren-9-one (1.91 g, 8.56 mmol) in ethanol (150 mL) was added dropwise over 3 h to a refluxing solution of N-(12-bromohexyl)-3,3dimethyl-2methyleneindoline (2.75 g, 8.56 mmol) in ethanol (120 mL). After refluxing for an additional 7 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product twice by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:40 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether w/ 0.5% ammonium hydroxide) gave **14** as a blue oil (1.13 g, 15%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.25–1.34 (m, 4H, CH₂), 1.39 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.57 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.68 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.24 (m, 4H, CH₂), 6.60 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H-7), 6.89 (dt, J = 0.9, 7.1 Hz, 1H, H-5), 7.08 (dd, J = 0.9, 6.5 Hz, 1H, H-4), 7.22 (dt, J = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H, H-6), 7.61 (m, 4H, H-6'7'10'11'), 7.81 (s, 1H, H-3'), 8.12 (dd, J=1.2, 8.2 Hz, 1H, H-12'), 8.62 (m, 3H, H-5'8'9'). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 21.3, 25.8, 26.7, 28.0, 28.8, 32.8, 33.8, 44.5, 52.0, 99.6, 107.0, 119.6, 119.9, 122.0, 122.4, 122.7, 122.9, 124.7, 125.1, 126.6, 126.9, 127.6, 127.9, 128.1, 129.1, 130.2, 131.1, 131.6, 136.0, 139.5, 147.1, 151.0. HRMS-EI (m/z): $[M]^+$ calcd for $C_{31}H_{31}N_2O^{81}Br$, 526.1599; found 528.1620.

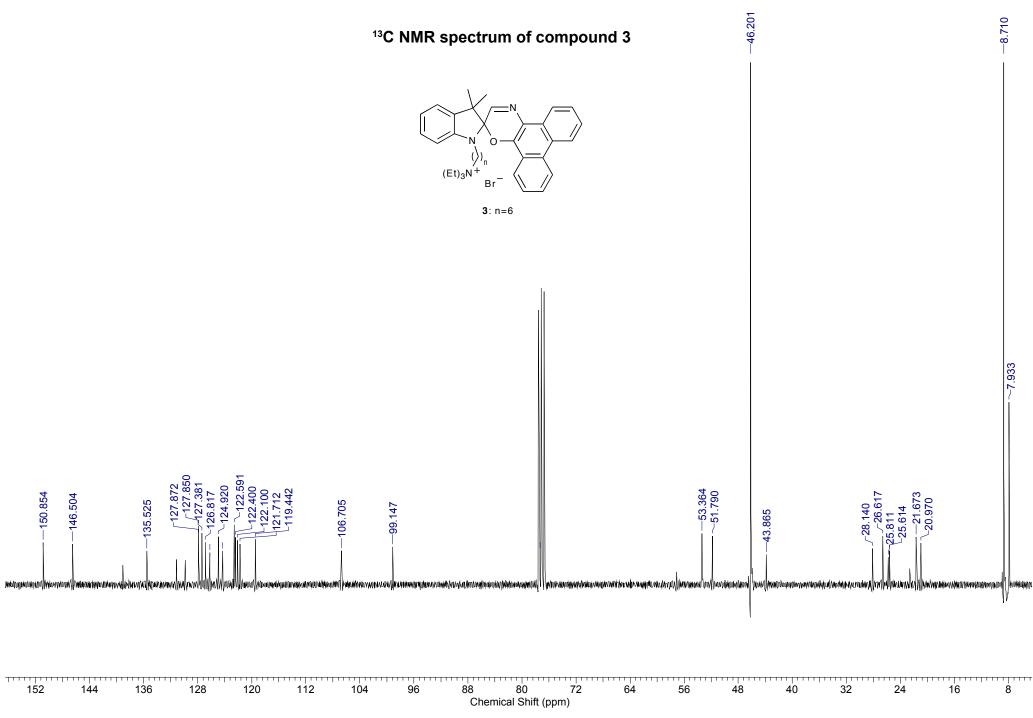
N-(6-(Triethylammonio)hexyl)-3,3-dimethylspiro[indoline-2,2'-[2H]phenanthro[9,10-b][1,4]oxazine] bromide (3)

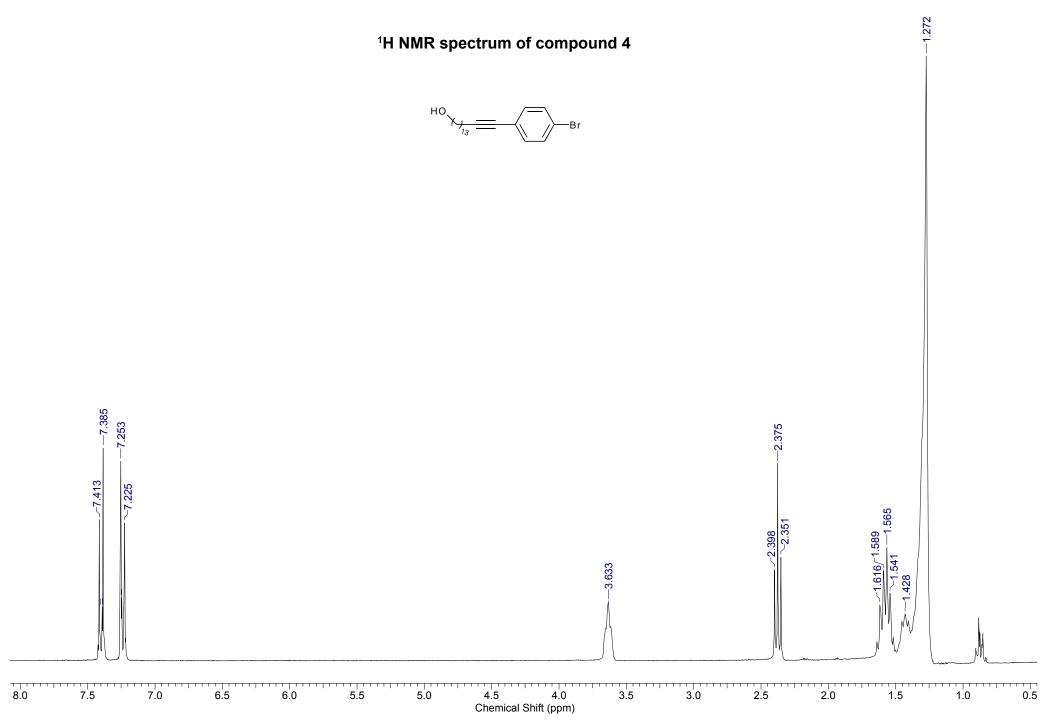
The preparation of **3** has been adapted from a previously published procedure. A solution of **14** (1.13 g, 2.14 mmol) in triethylamine (3.00 mL, 40.8 mmol) and benzene (4.35 mL) was refluxed for 6 h. After allowing the reaction mixture to cool to room temperature, it was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product three times by flash column chromatography (silica gel; 1:8 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether once and 50:10:1 chloroform/methanol/water twice) gave **3** as a blue solid (300 mg, 22%). H NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 1.02 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 9H, CH₃), 1.22 (m, 8H, CH₂), 1.38 (m, 6H, CH₃), 2.53 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H, CH₃), 3.25–3.40 (m, 4H, CH₂), 6.60 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, H-7), 6.89 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H-5), 7.08 (d, J = 7.1, 1H, H-4), 7.22 (t, J = 7.6, 1H, H-6), 7.63 (m, 4H, H-6'7'10'11'), 7.78 (s, 1H, H-3'), 8.12 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, H-12'), 8.61 (m, 3H, H-5'8'9'). NMR (CDCl₃, δ): 8.2, 9.0, 9.2, 21.2, 21.9, 25.6, 26.1, 26.9, 28.4, 44.1, 46.4, 46.7, 52.0, 53.7, 99.4, 107.0, 119.7, 122.0, 122.4, 122.7, 122.8, 122.9, 124.6, 125.2, 126.4, 127.1, 127.6, 128.1, 128.1, 130.1, 131.4, 135.6, 146.8, 151.1. HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M]⁺ calcd for C₃₇H₄₆N₃O, 548.3635; found 548.3639.

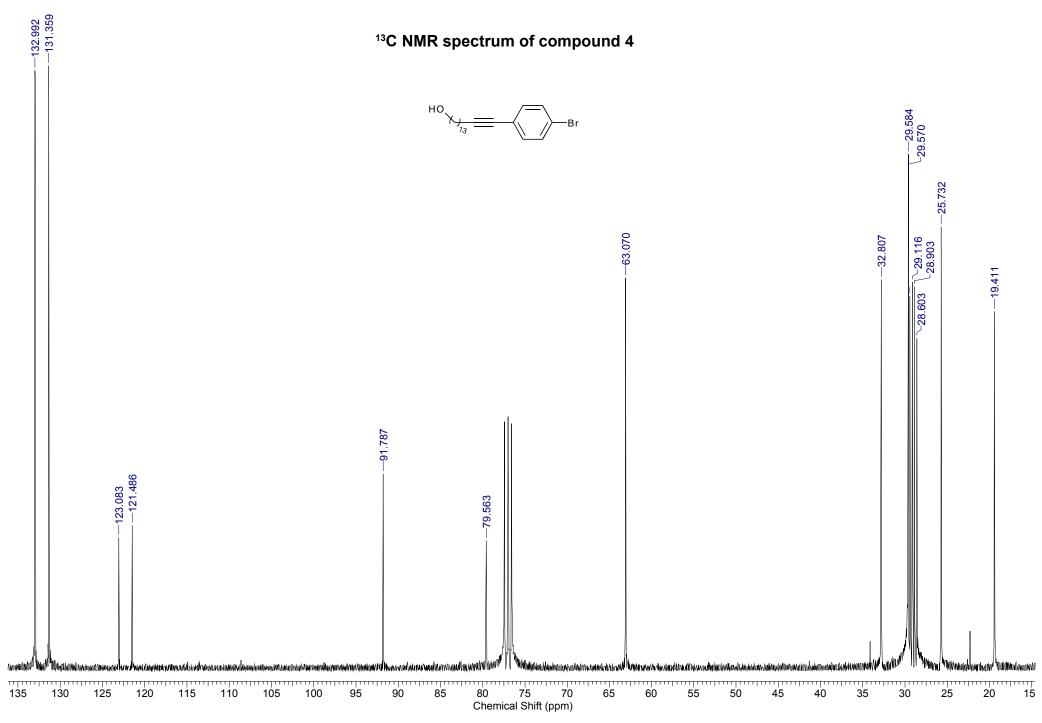
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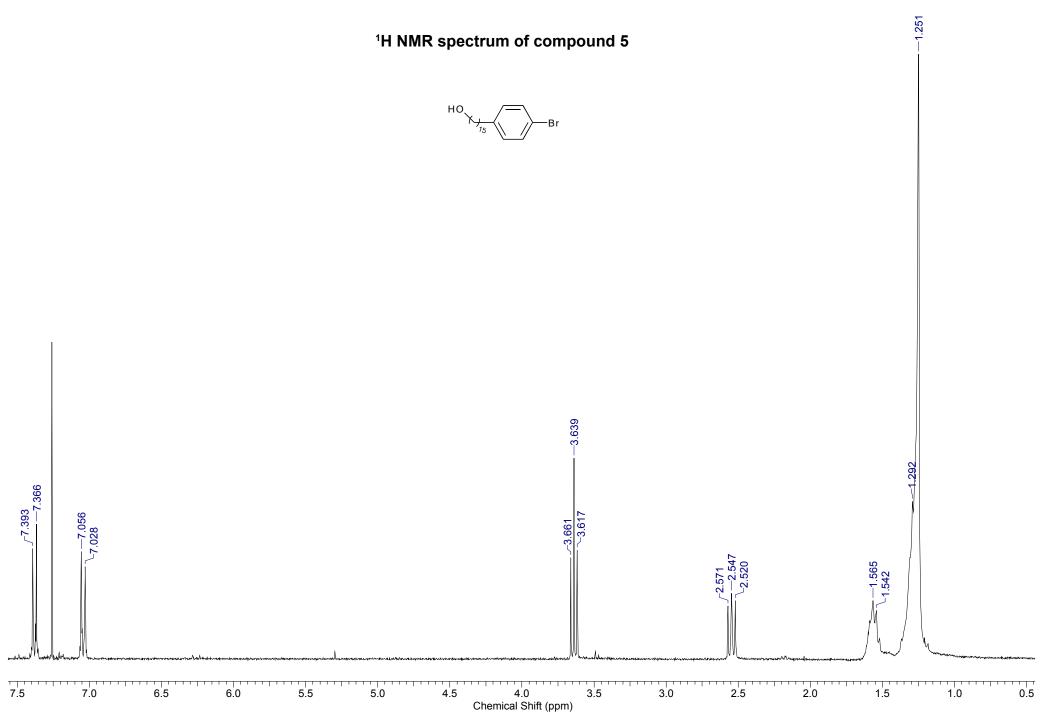




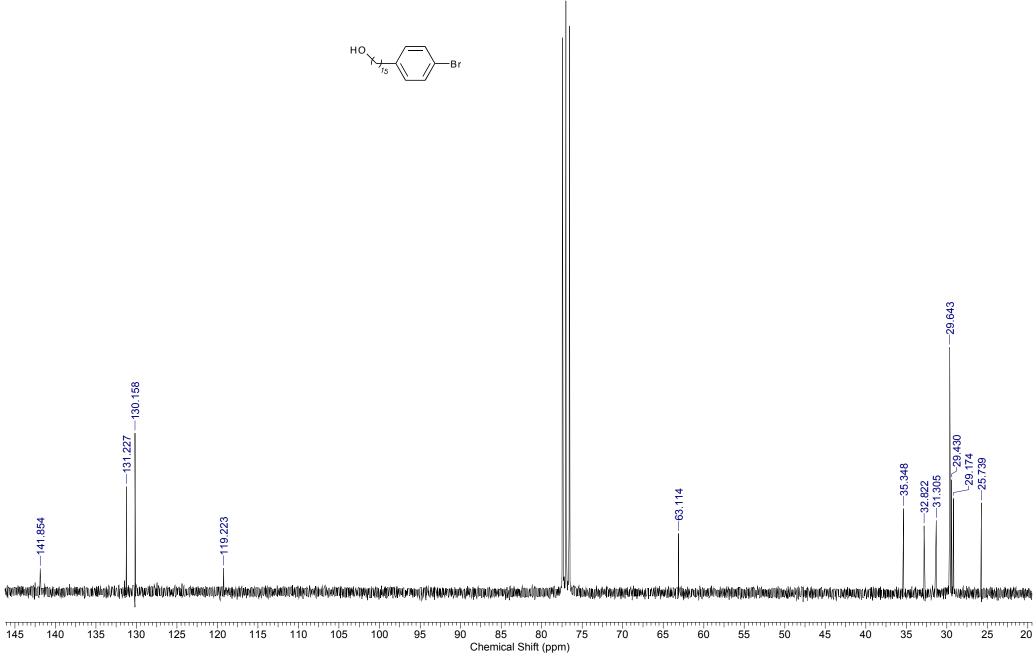


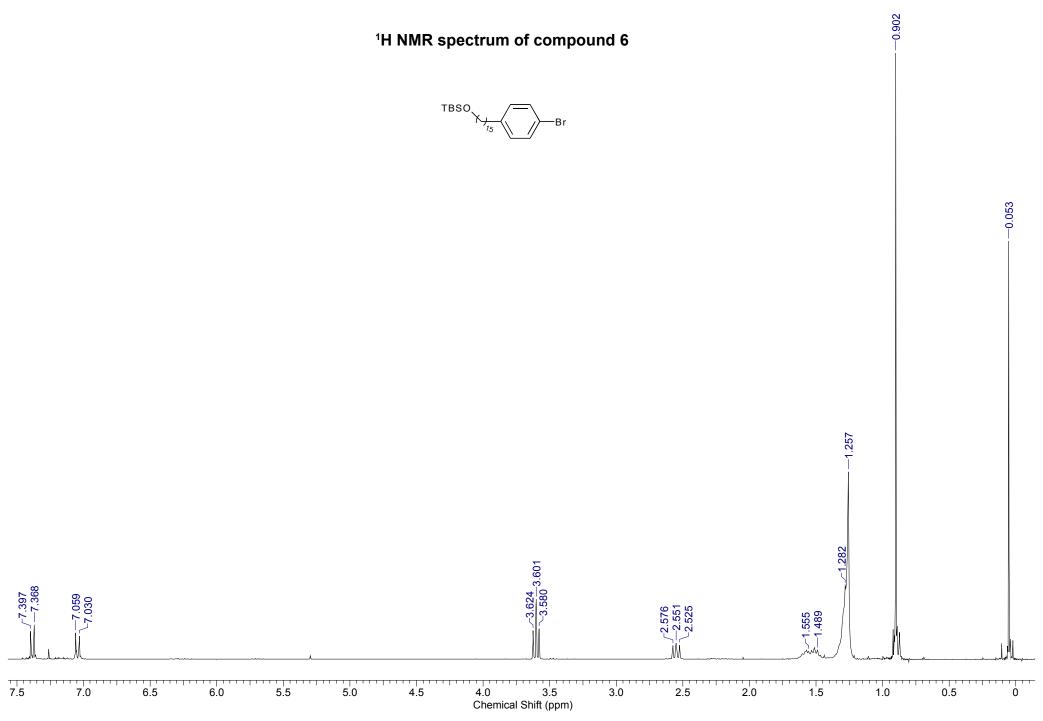


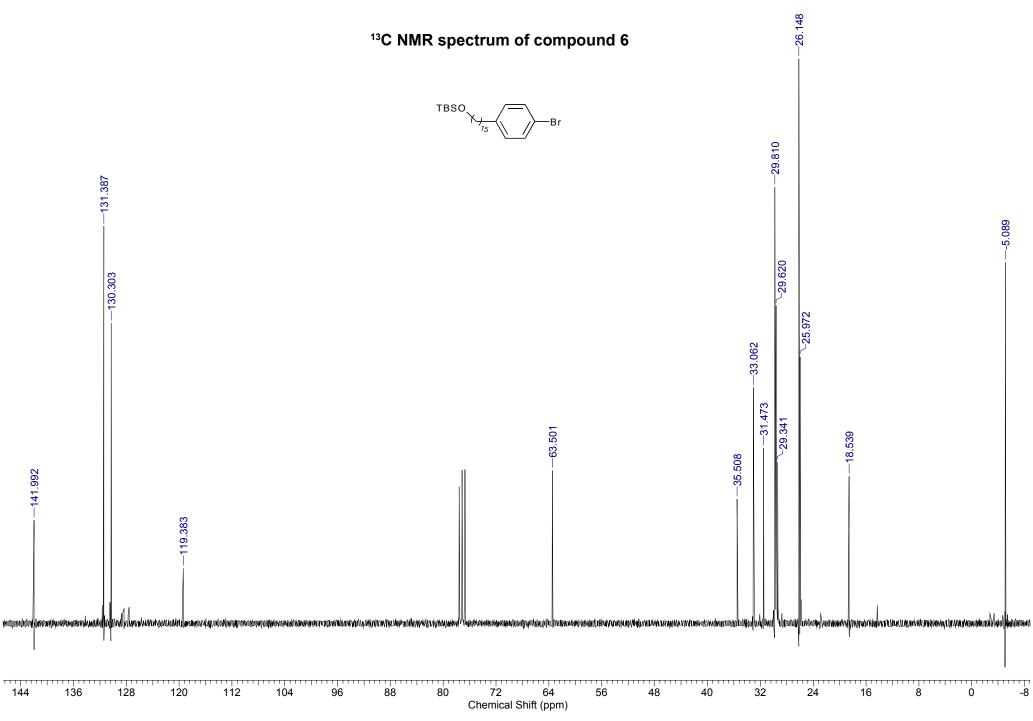


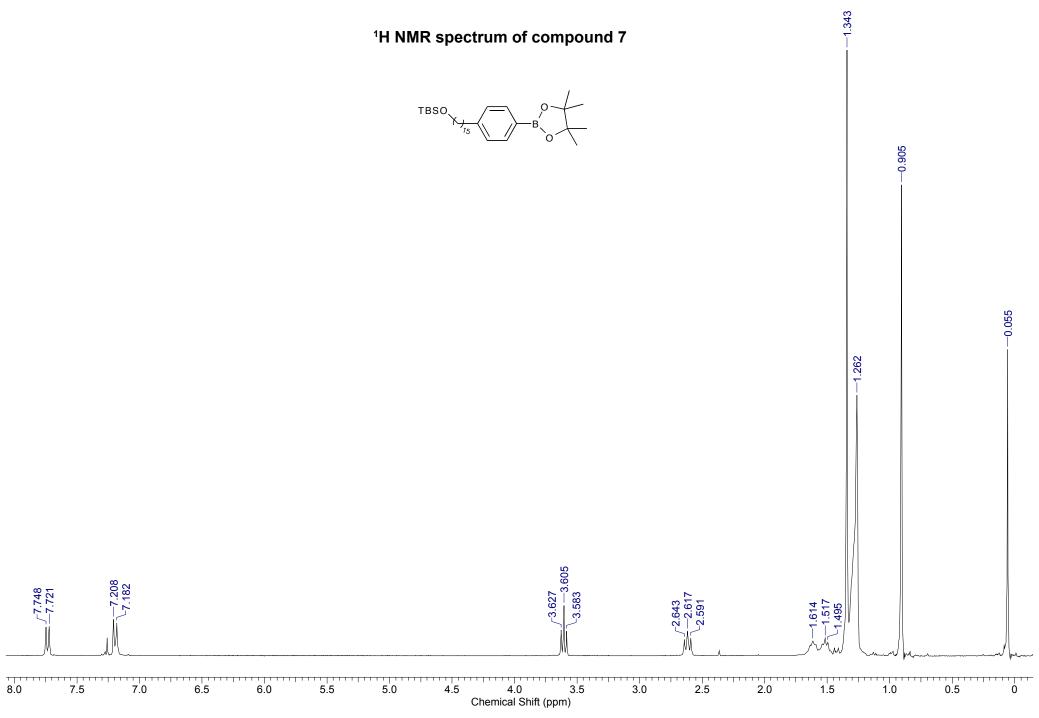


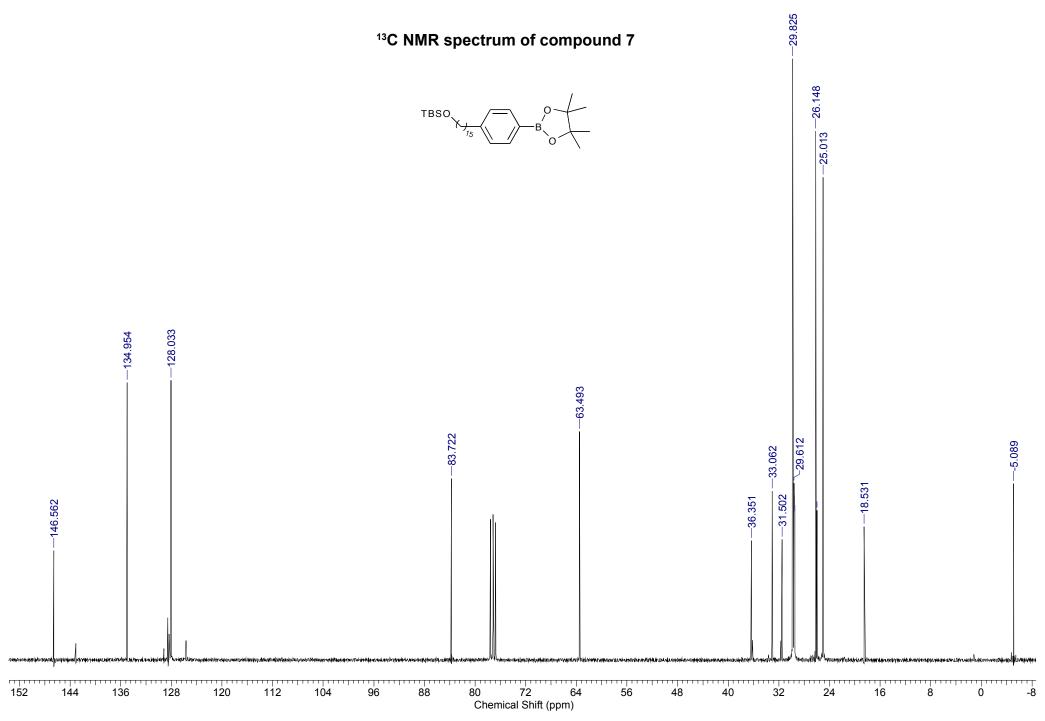


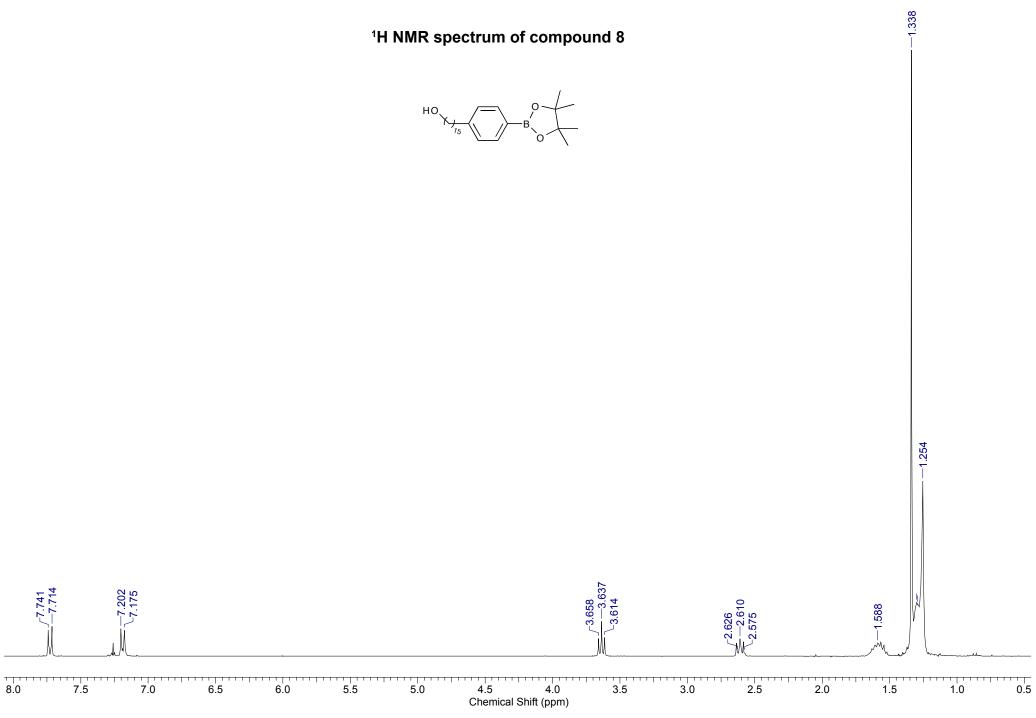


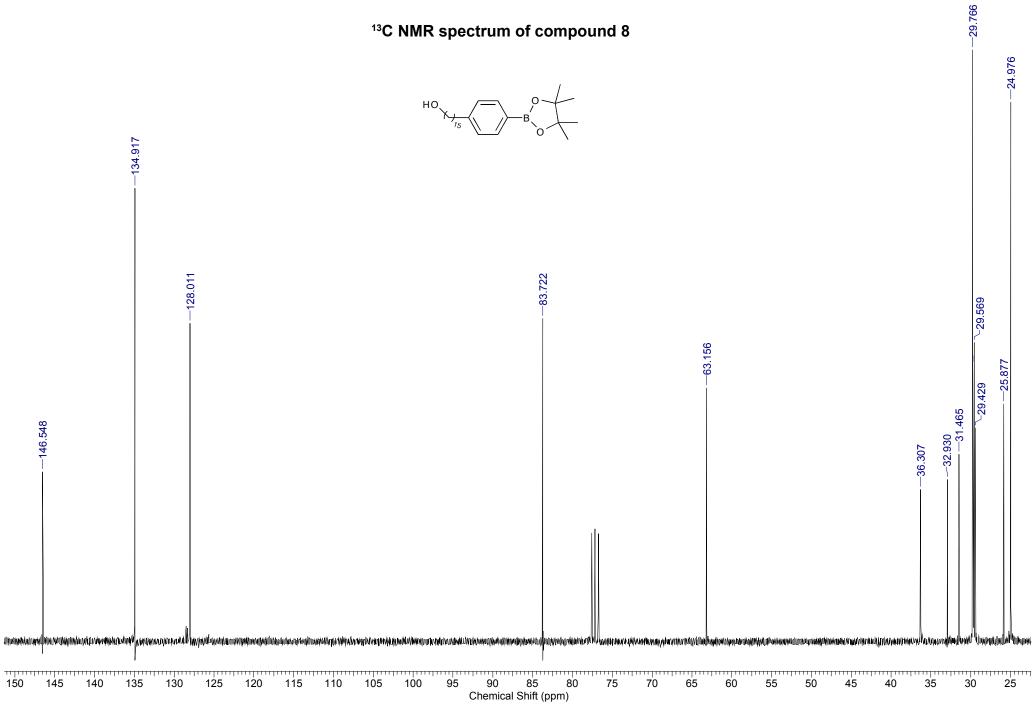


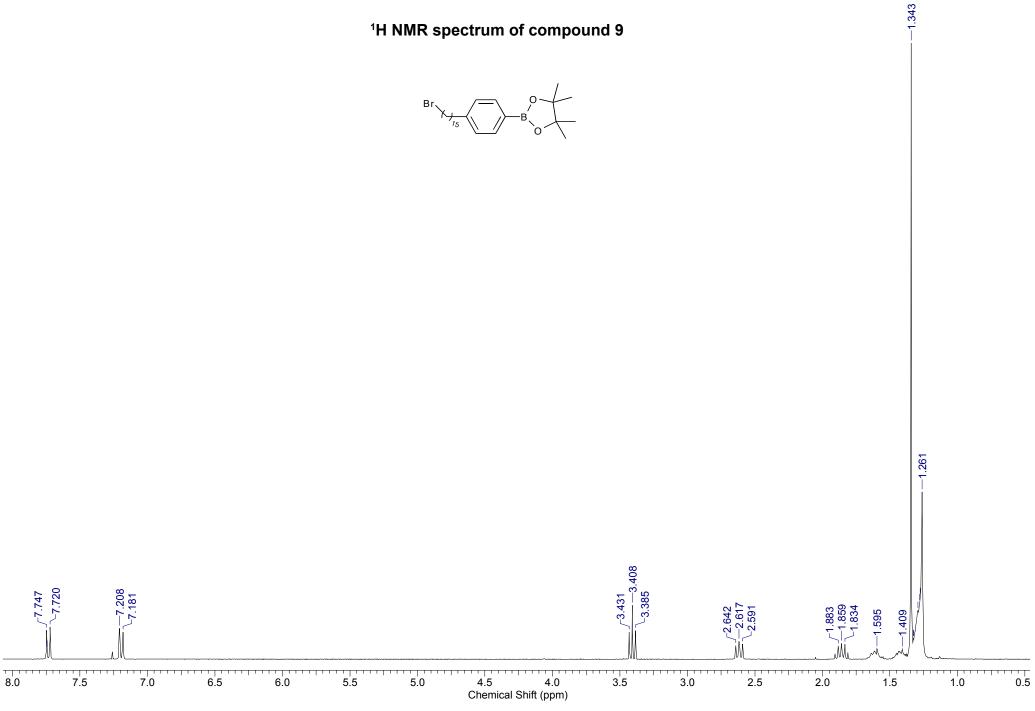


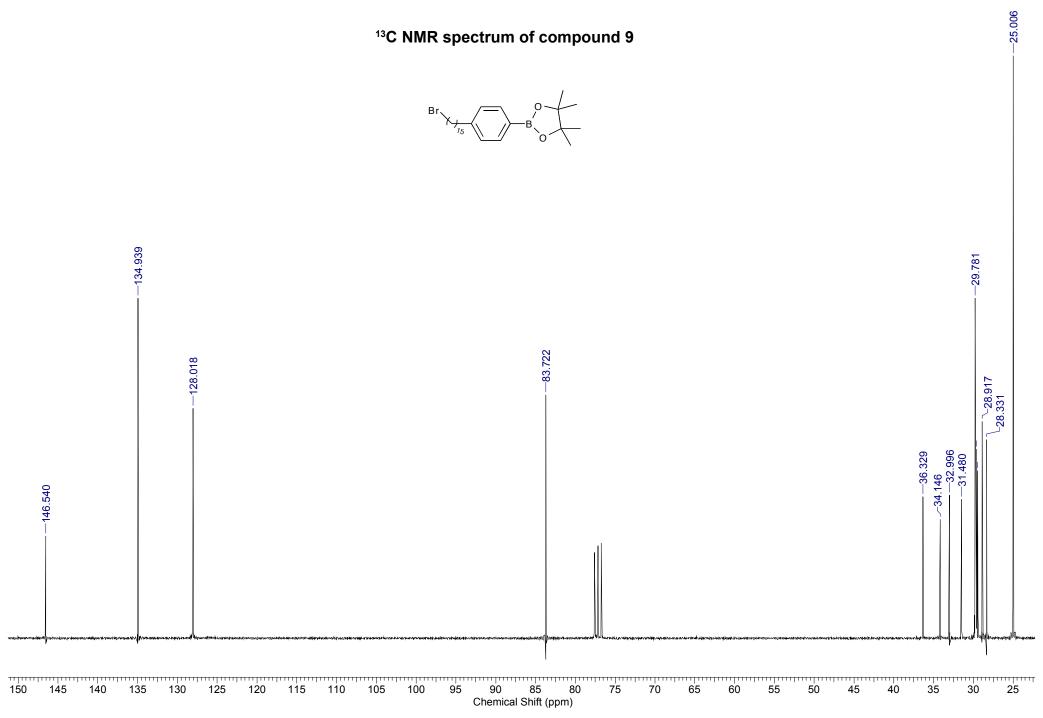


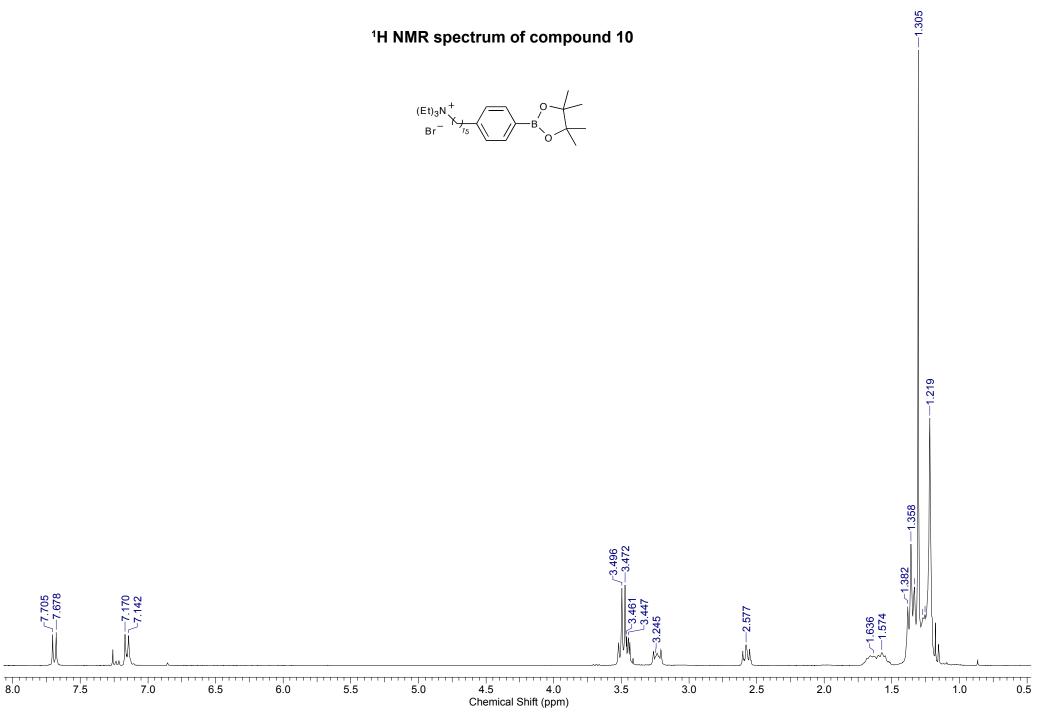


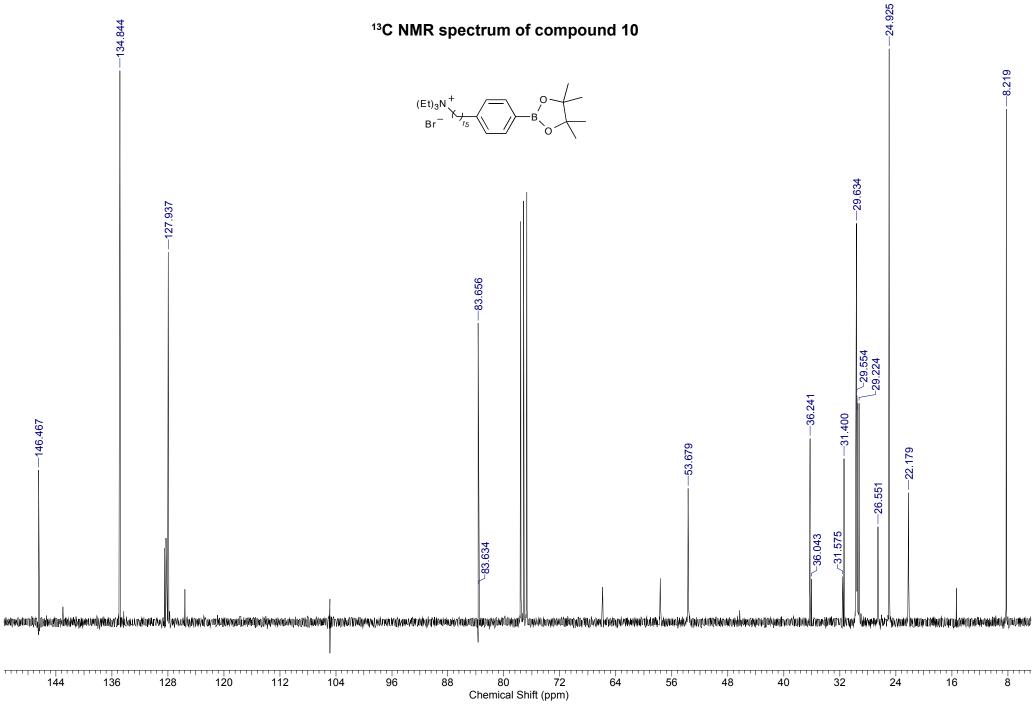


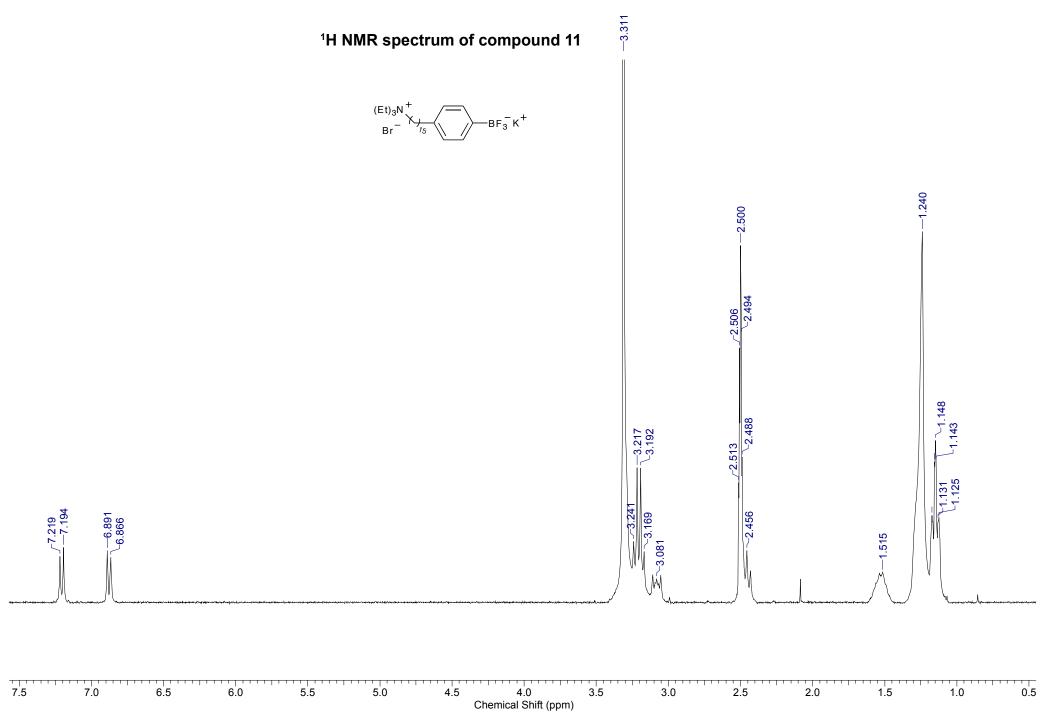


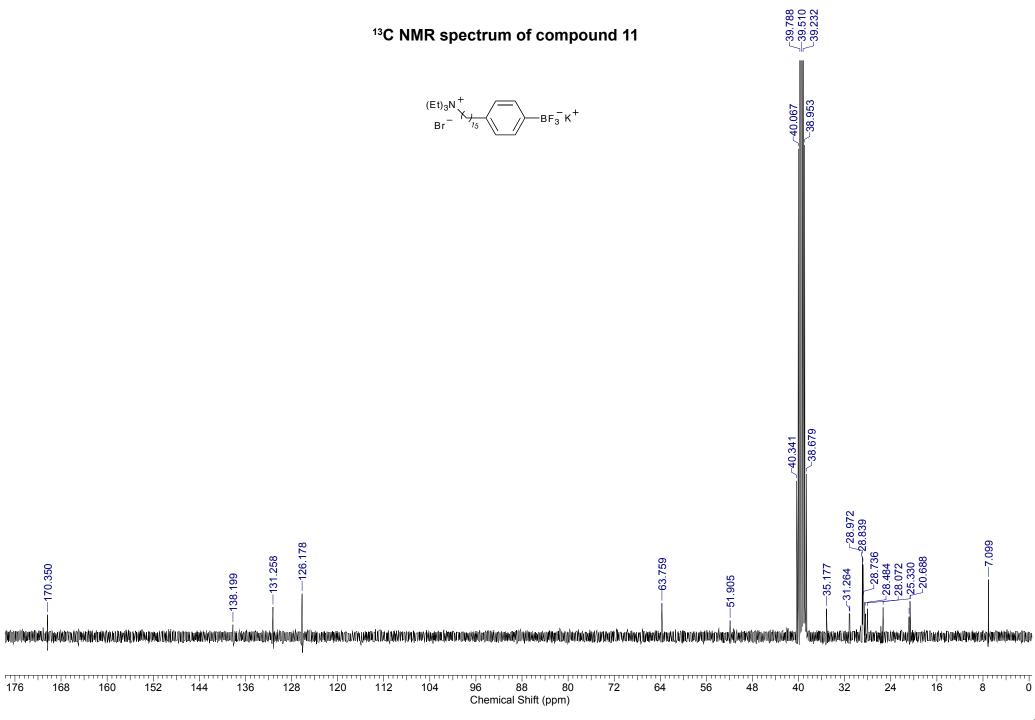




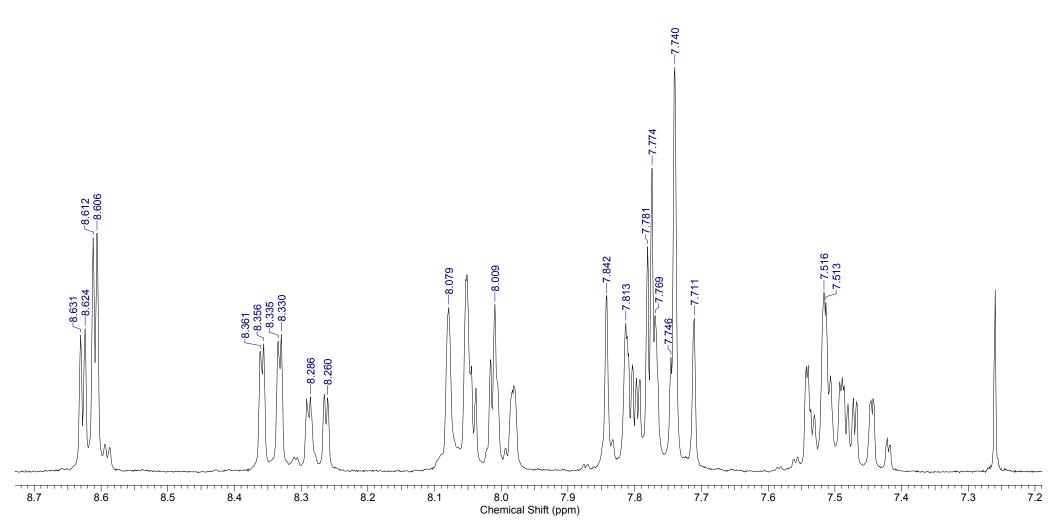




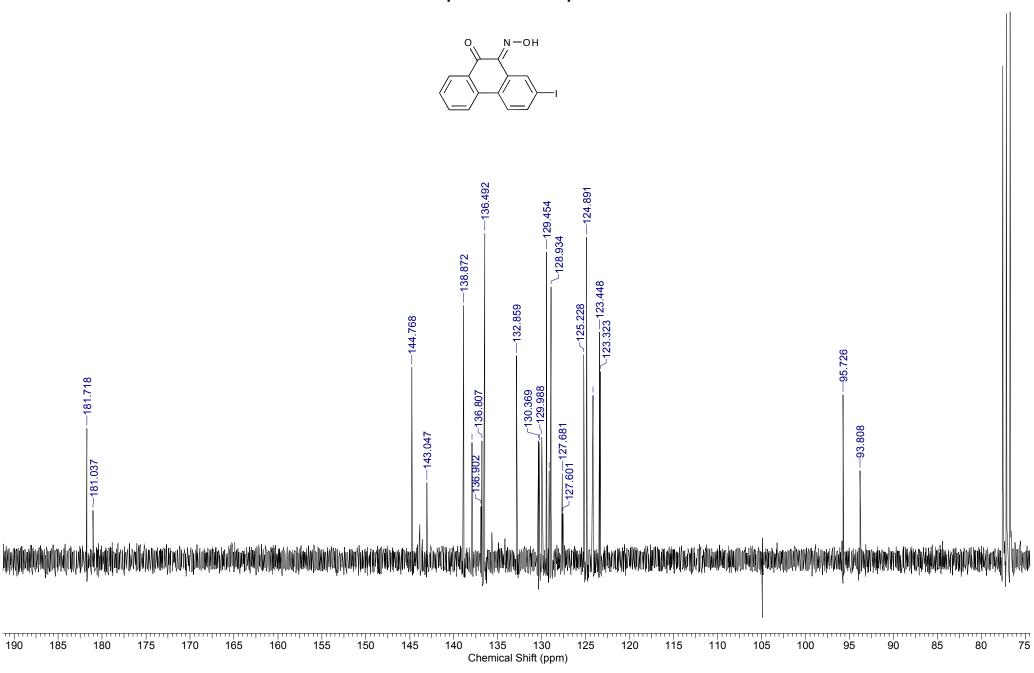


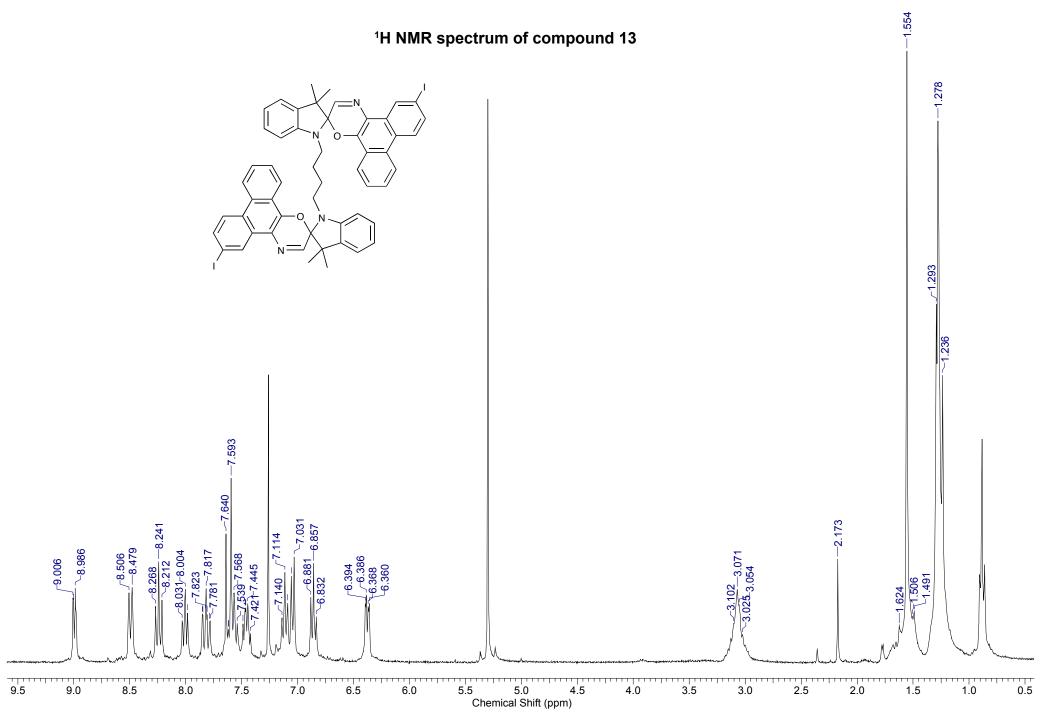


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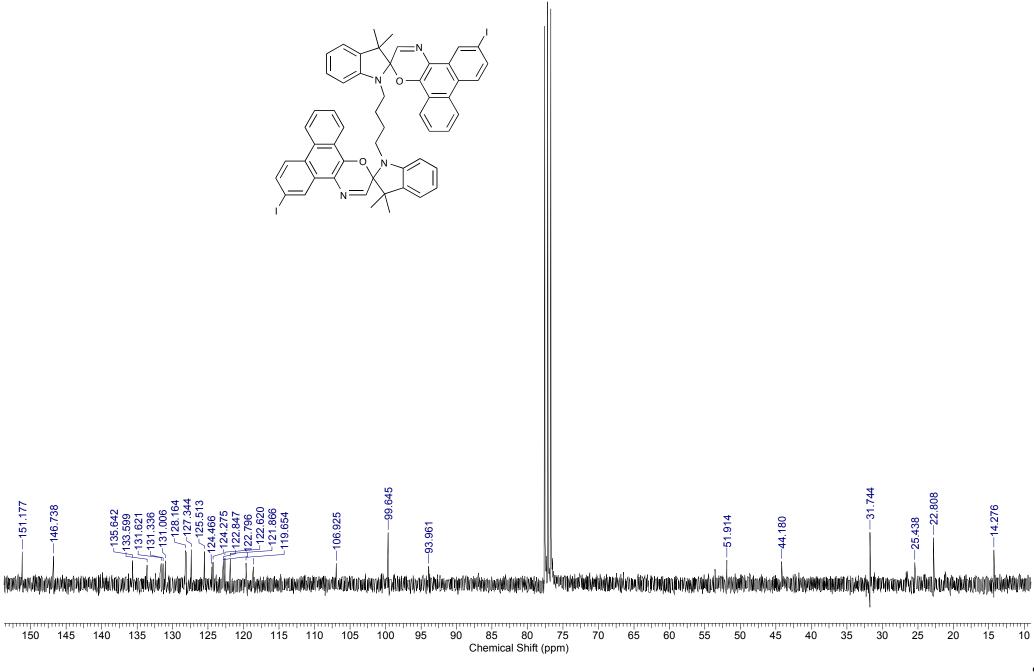


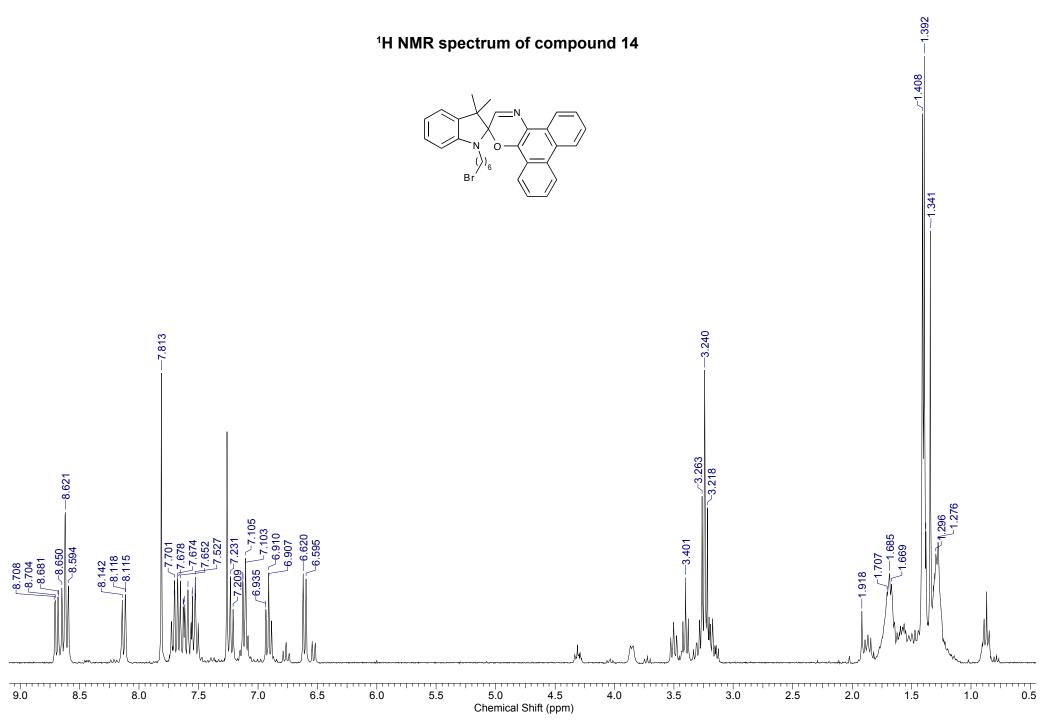
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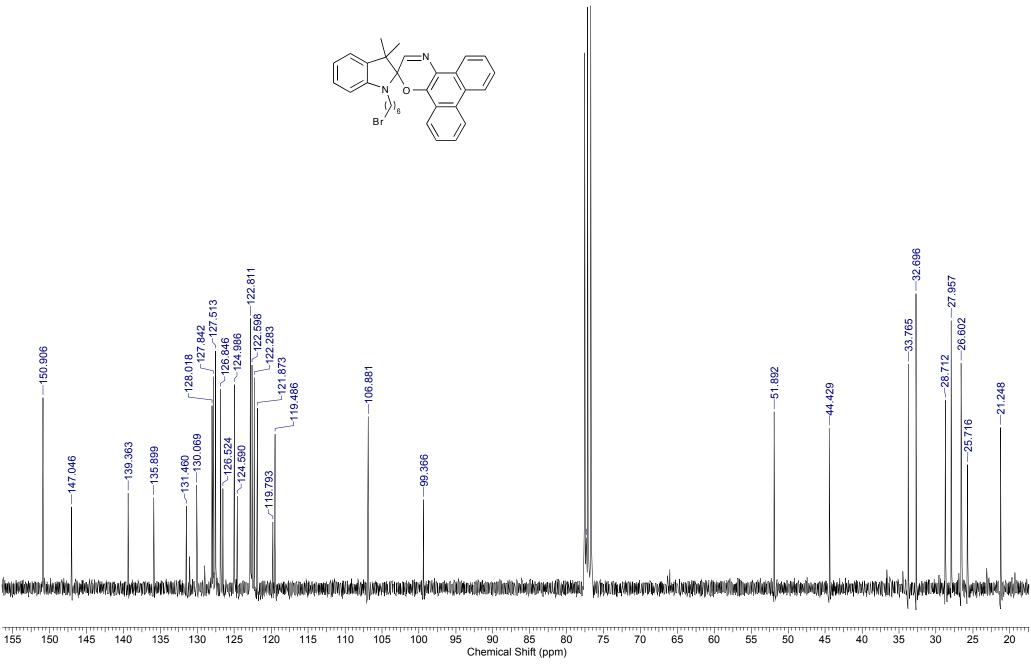


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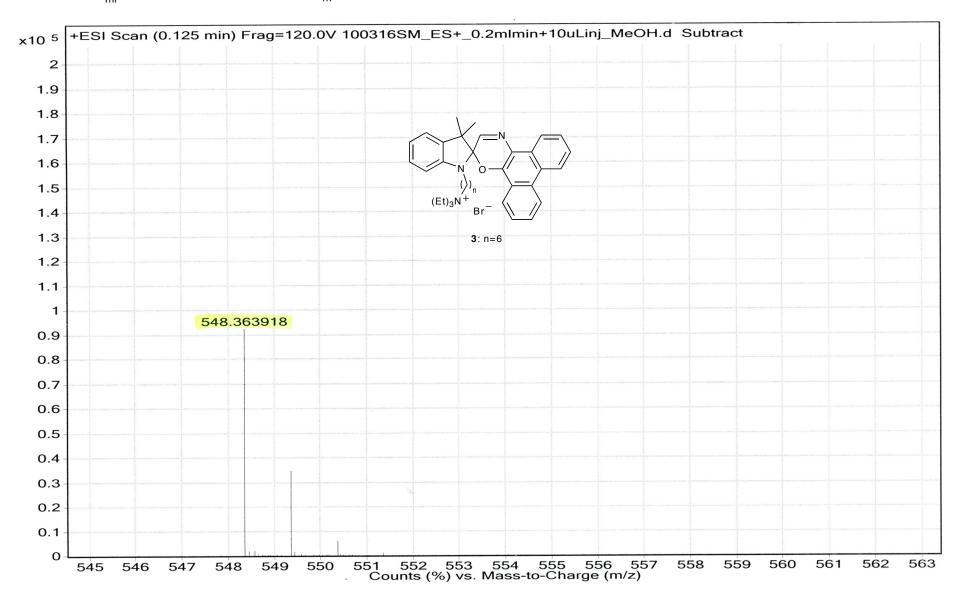


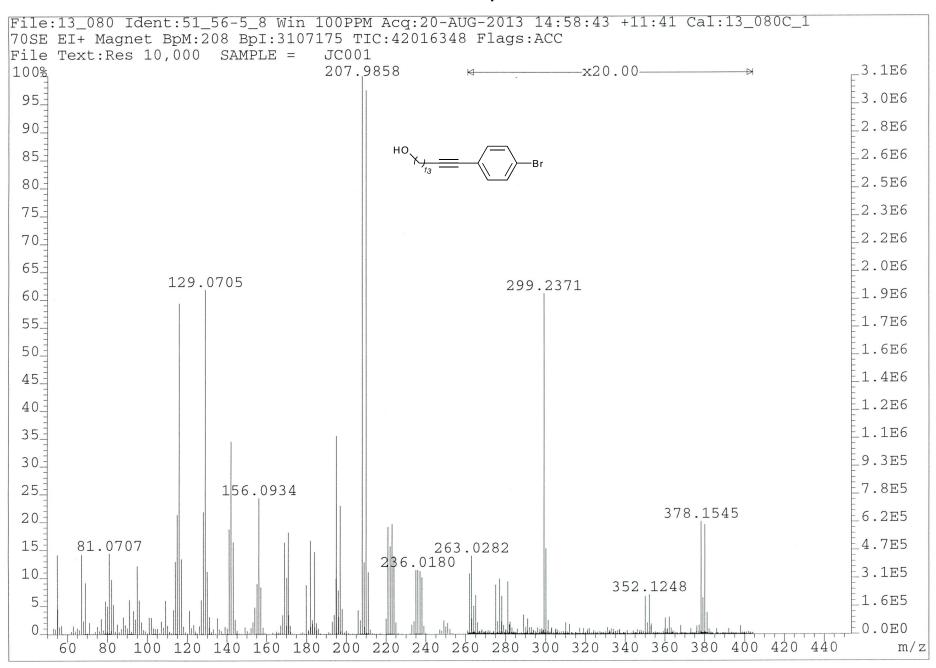


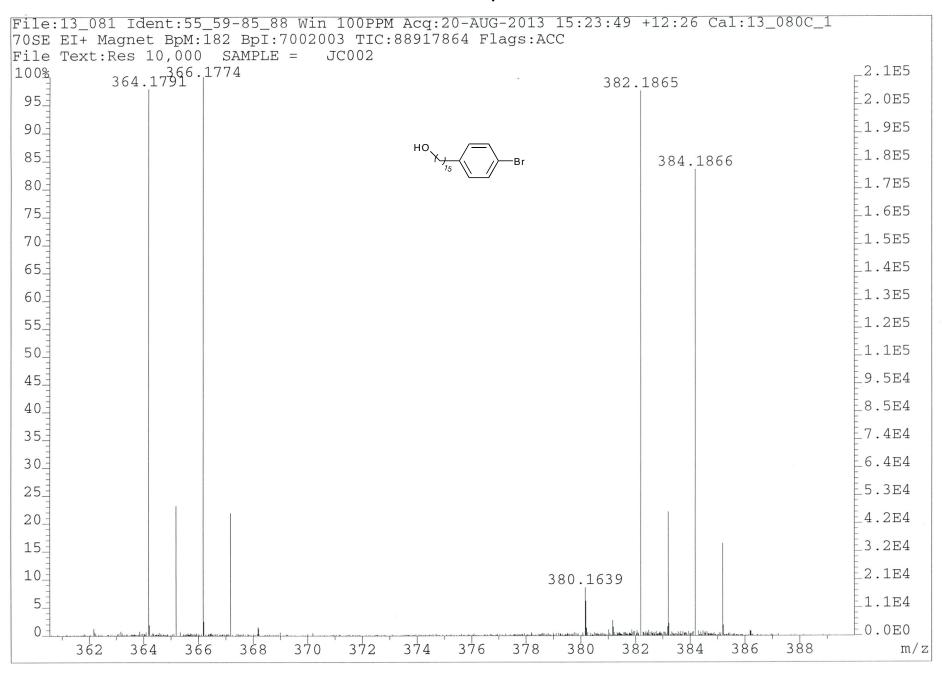
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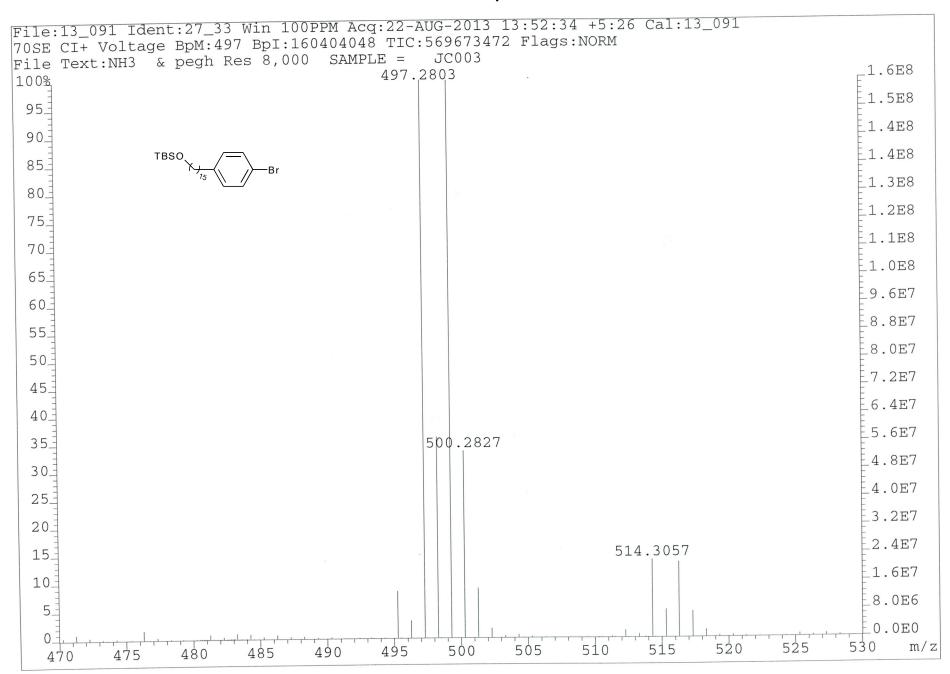


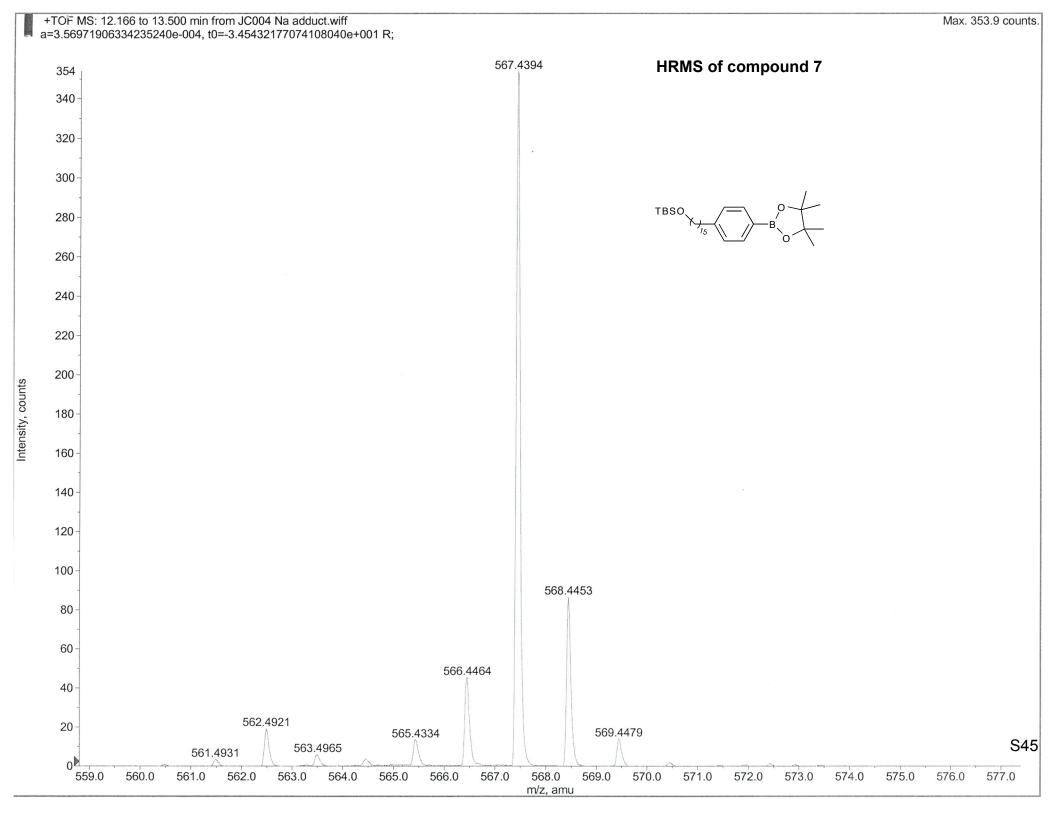
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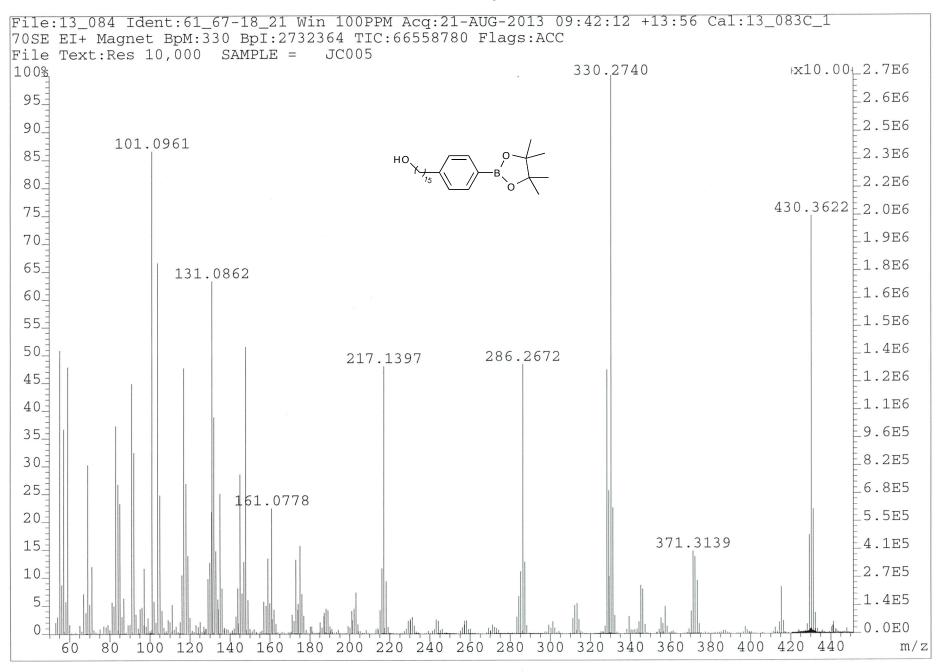


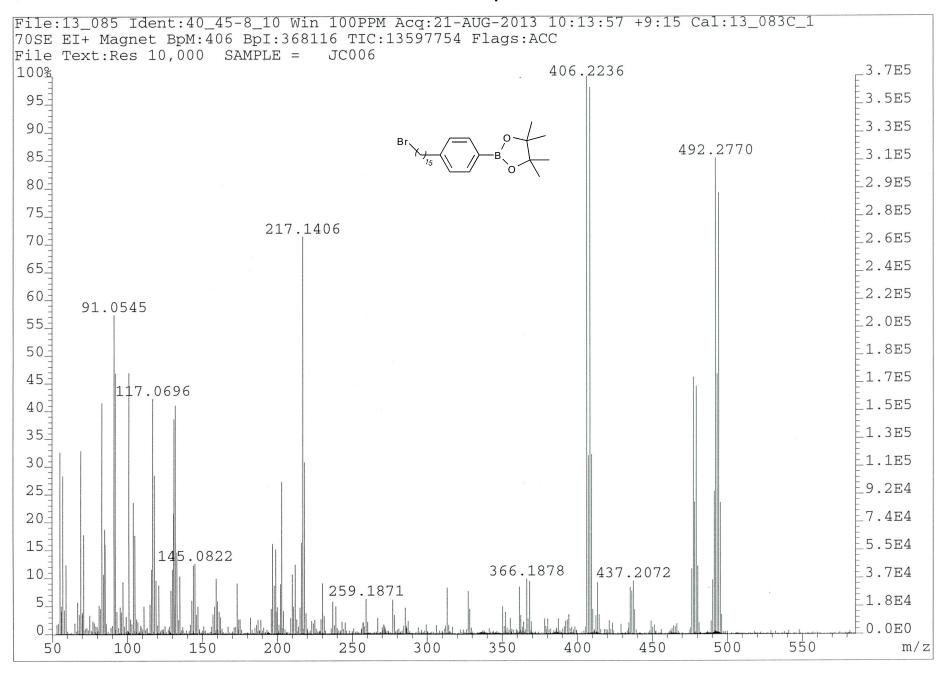


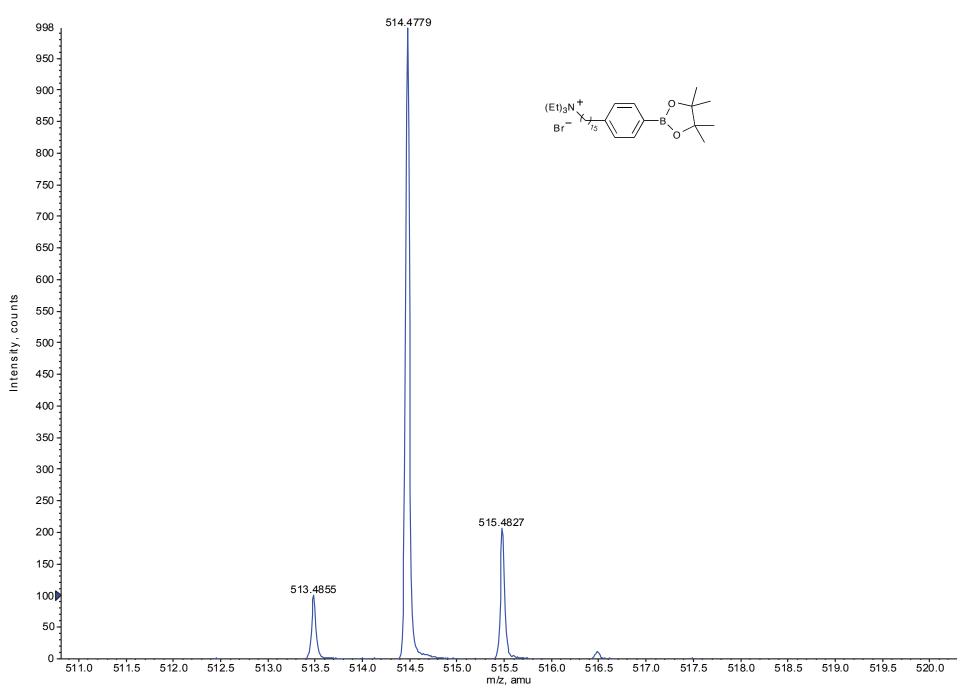


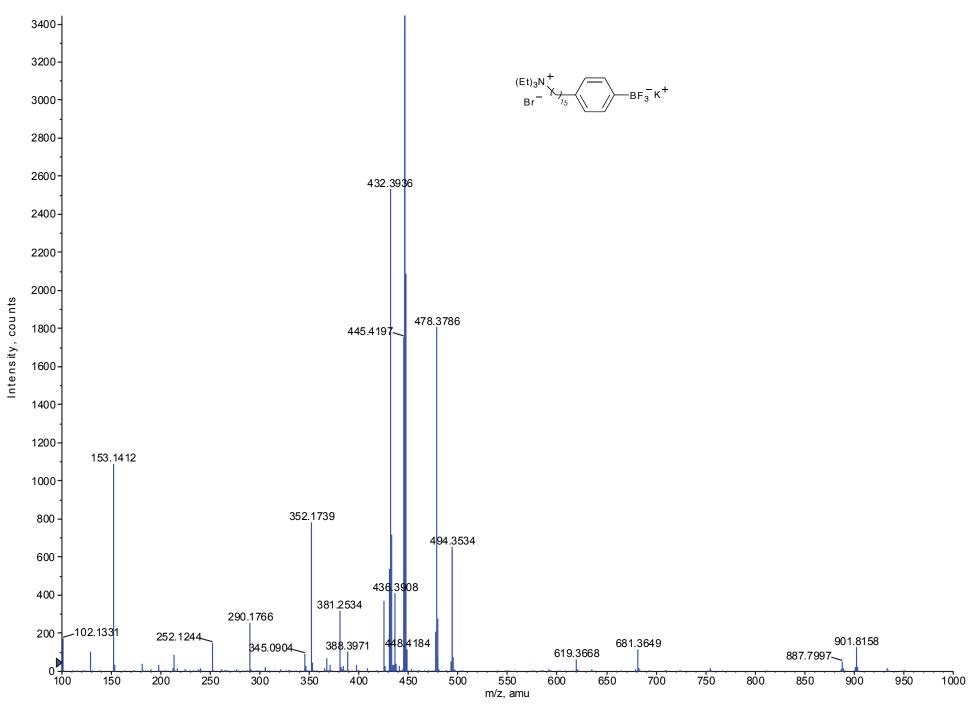


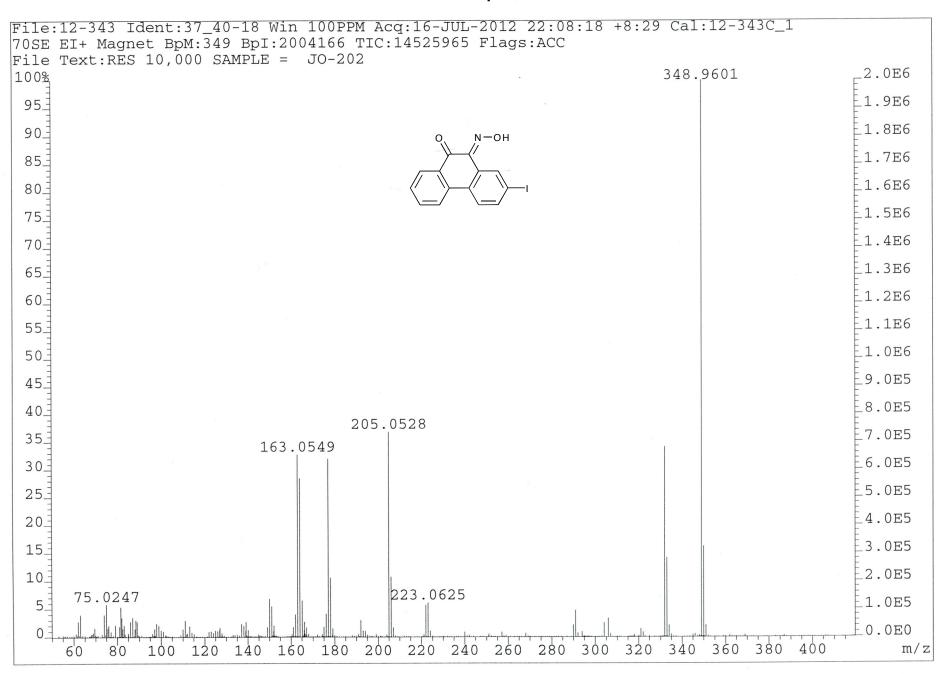




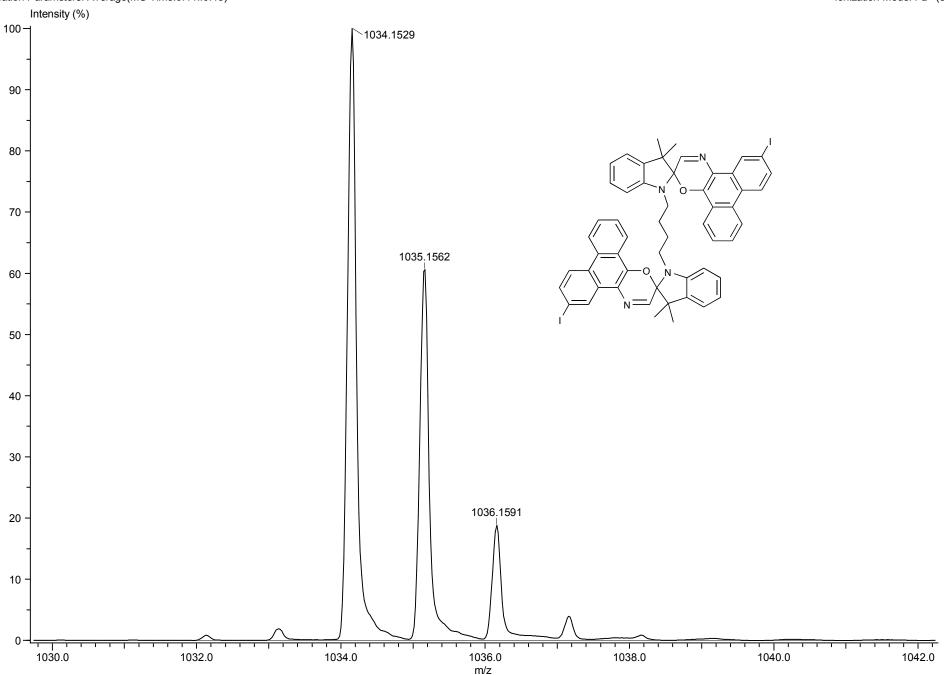








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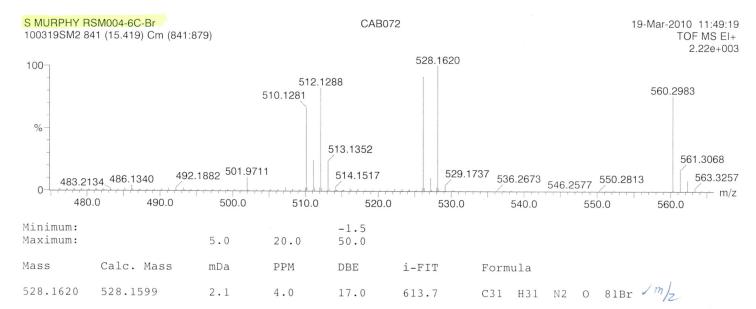


Table S1 Proton permeation rate constants and normalized extent of proton permeation determined for **3** in DOPC and DPPC vesicles at various mole ratios (i.e., **3**/lipid)^a

DOPC	$k_{\rm H^+} (10^{-4} {\rm s}^{-1})$		N	
UV	No	Yes	No	Yes
Control	$1.8 \pm 0.5 (57)$	$1.4 \pm 0.6 (52)$	0.31 ± 0.07 (47)	0.37 ± 0.06 (45)
1:10	0.89 ± 0.10 (4)	1.3 ± 0.1 (4)	0.96 ± 0.01 (4)	0.96 ± 0.03 (4)
1:20	2.2 ± 0.2 (6)	2.2 ± 0.4 (6)	0.65 ± 0.02 (6)	0.70 ± 0.02 (6)
1:30	1.8 ± 0.1 (6)	1.7 ± 0.4 (6)	0.57 ± 0.03 (6)	0.61 ± 0.03 (6)
1:40	1.6 ± 0.2 (6)	1.1 ± 0.1 (6)	0.56 ± 0.02 (6)	0.59 ± 0.01 (6)
DPPC	$k_{\rm H^+} (10^{-4} {\rm s}^{-1})$		N	
UV	No	Yes	No	Yes
Control	0.42 ± 0.24 (61)	0.31 ± 0.27 (52)	$0.07 \pm 0.05 (54)$	0.20 ± 0.07 (49)
1:10	0.77 ± 0.07 (3)	0.36 ± 0.05 (3)	0.98 ± 0.01 (3)	0.99 ± 0.01 (3)
1:20	1.6 ± 0.2 (6)	1.2 ± 0.3 (6)	0.78 ± 0.03 (6)	0.75 ± 0.05 (6)
1:30	1.7 ± 0.6 (6)	1.4 ± 0.6 (6)	0.22 ± 0.06 (6)	0.40 ± 0.09 (6)
1:40	1.1 ± 0.3 (6)	0.84 ± 0.28 (6)	0.08 ± 0.09 (6)	0.30 ± 0.04 (6)

a The error is the standard deviation of the mean taken from n independent measurements. The value of n is shown in parentheses.

Table S2 Proton permeation rate constants and normalized extent of proton permeation determined for 1 in DOPC and DPPC vesicles at various mole ratios (i.e., 1/lipid)^a

DOPC	$k_{\rm H^+} (10^{-4} {\rm s}^{-1})$		N	
UV	No	Yes	No	Yes
Control	$1.8 \pm 0.5 (57)$	$1.4 \pm 0.6 (52)$	0.31 ± 0.07 (47)	0.37 ± 0.06 (45)
1:10	2.8 ± 0.4 (6)	2.4 ± 0.1 (6)	0.88 ± 0.02 (6)	0.88 ± 0.02 (6)
1:20	4.3 ± 0.1 (6)	3.8 ± 0.3 (6)	0.73 ± 0.01 (6)	0.78 ± 0.01 (6)
1:30	4.3 ± 0.4 (6)	4.1 ± 0.2 (6)	0.57 ± 0.02 (6)	0.62 ± 0.05 (6)
1:40	3.1 ± 0.2 (6)	2.5 ± 0.1 (6)	0.45 ± 0.02 (6)	0.48 ± 0.02 (6)
DPPC	$k_{\rm H^+} (10^{-4} {\rm s}^{-1})$		N	
UV	No	Yes	No	Yes
Control	0.42 ± 0.24 (61)	0.31 ± 0.27 (52)	$0.07 \pm 0.05 (54)$	0.20 ± 0.07 (49)
1:20	0.25 ± 0.10 (6)	0.22 ± 0.15 (6)	0.96 ± 0.01 (6)	0.96 ± 0.01 (6)
1:30	1.1 ± 0.3 (6)	0.99 ± 0.50 (6)	0.65 ± 0.05 (6)	0.71 ± 0.07 (6)
1:40	1.0 ± 0.4 (6)	0.57 ± 0.16 (6)	0.28 ± 0.02 (6)	0.55 ± 0.01 (6)
1:50	0.67 ± 0.20 (6)	0.45 ± 0.16 (6)	0.12 ± 0.04 (6)	0.22 ± 0.04 (6)

^a The error is the standard deviation of the mean taken from n independent measurements. The value of n is shown in parentheses.

Table S3 Proton permeation rate constants and normalized extent of proton permeation determined for **2** in DOPC and DPPC vesicles at various mole ratios (i.e., **2**/lipid)^a

DOPC	$k_{\rm H^+} (10^{-4} {\rm s}^{-1})$		N	
UV	No	Yes	No	Yes
Control	$1.8 \pm 0.5 (57)$	1.4 ± 0.6 (52)	0.31 ± 0.07 (47)	0.37 ± 0.06 (45)
1:20	0.83 ± 0.11 (4)	0.71 ± 0.37 (4)	0.97 ± 0.01 (4)	0.98 ± 0.01 (4)
1:30	8.9 ± 0.6 (6)	8.7 ± 0.2 (6)	0.89 ± 0.01 (7)	0.90 ± 0.01 (6)
1:40	7.3 ± 0.5 (8)	6.9 ± 1.1 (6)	0.87 ± 0.01 (7)	0.88 ± 0.03 (6)
1:50	5.9 ± 0.2 (7)	5.5 ± 0.2 (7)	0.73 ± 0.02 (7)	0.74 ± 0.06 (7)
1:60	5.7 ± 0.2 (6)	5.2 ± 0.4 (6)	0.64 ± 0.05 (6)	0.66 ± 0.04 (6)
DPPC	$k_{\rm H^+} (10^{-4} {\rm s}^{-1})$		N	
UV	No	Yes	No	Yes
Control	0.42 ± 0.24 (61)	0.31 ± 0.27 (52)	$0.07 \pm 0.05 (54)$	0.20 ± 0.07 (49)
1:20	0.15 ± 0.06 (6)	0.38 ± 0.12 (4)	0.98 ± 0.01 (6)	0.97 ± 0.01 (4)
1:30	1.0 ± 0.3 (6)	0.83 ± 0.35 (6)	0.53 ± 0.11 (6)	0.62 ± 0.10 (6)
1:40	0.95 ± 0.57 (6)	0.75 ± 0.40 (6)	0.25 ± 0.05 (6)	0.34 ± 0.08 (6)
1:50	0.94 ± 0.45 (6)	0.64 ± 0.37 (6)	0.17 ± 0.04 (6)	0.30 ± 0.09 (6)

a The error is the standard deviation of the mean taken from n independent measurements. The value of n is shown in parentheses.

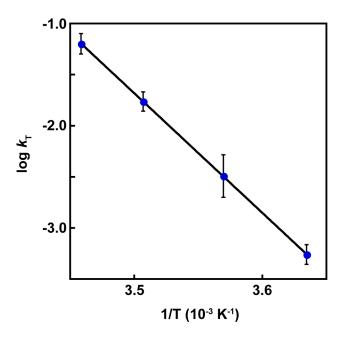


Figure S1. Arrhenius plot of the thermal ring closure rate constants (k_T) for 1 in DPPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., 1/DPPC). The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

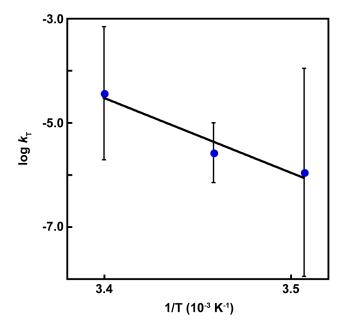


Figure S2. Arrhenius plot of the thermal ring closure rate constants (k_T) for **2** in DPPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., **2**/DPPC). The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

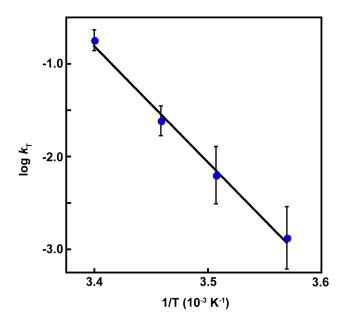


Figure S3. Arrhenius plot of the thermal ring closure rate constants (k_T) for **3** in DPPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., **3**/DPPC). The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

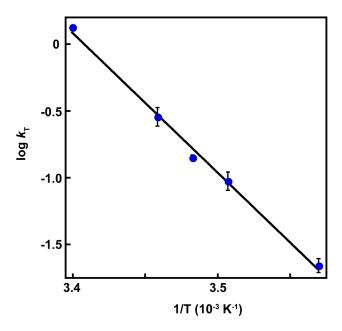


Figure S4. Arrhenius plot of the thermal ring closure rate constants (k_T) for **1** in DOPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., 1/DOPC). The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

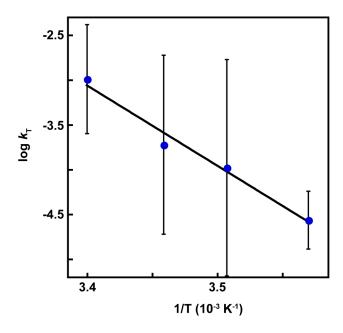


Figure S5. Arrhenius plot of the thermal ring closure rate constants (k_T) for **2** in DOPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., **2**/DOPC). The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

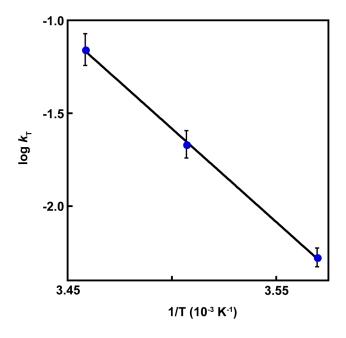


Figure S6. Arrhenius plot of the thermal ring closure rate constants (k_T) for **3** in DOPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., **3**/DOPC). The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

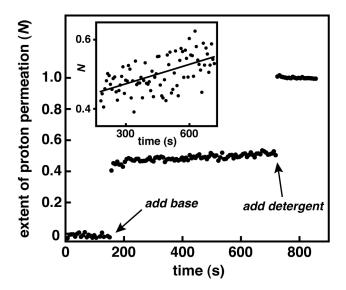


Figure S7. Normalized extent of proton permeation as a function of time for **2** in DPPC vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:30 (i.e., **2**/DPPC). The inset is a linear fit to data > 180 s.

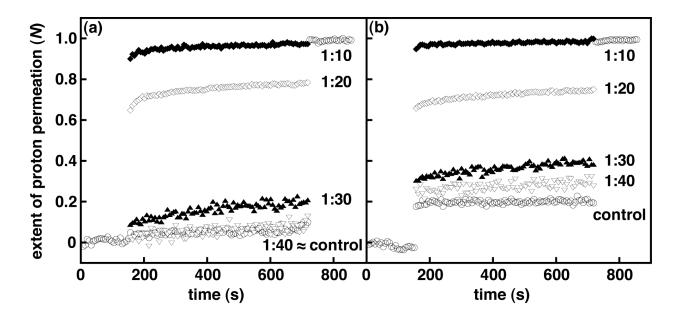


Figure S8. Normalized extent of proton permeation as a function of time for various mole ratios of **3** in DPPC vesicles (i.e., **3**/DPPC) prior to UV irradiation (a) and after 3 min of UV irradiation (b). Each plot is an average of a minimum of three independent measurements. For clarity error bars are not shown, and only the control is shown before the base pulse and after the addition of detergent.

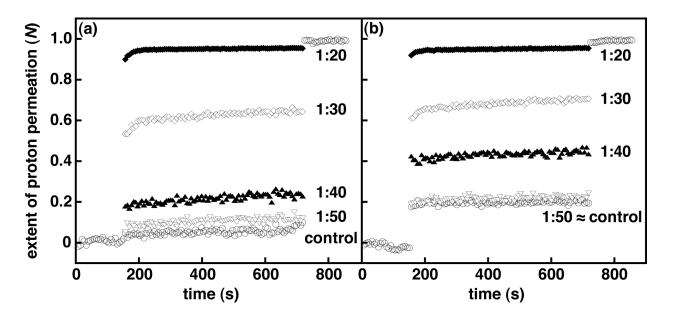


Figure S9. Normalized extent of proton permeation as a function of time for various mole ratios of **1** in DPPC vesicles (i.e., **1**/DPPC) prior to UV irradiation (a) and after 3 min of UV irradiation (b). Each plot is an average of a minimum of six independent measurements. For clarity error bars are not shown, and only the control is shown before the base pulse and after the addition of detergent.

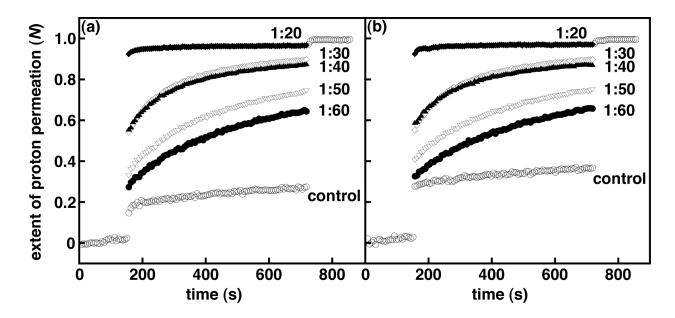


Figure S10. Normalized extent of proton permeation as a function of time for various mole ratios of **2** in DOPC vesicles (i.e., **2**/DOPC) prior to UV irradiation (a) and after 3 min of UV irradiation (b). Each plot is an average of a minimum of four independent measurements. For clarity error bars are not shown, and only the control is shown before the base pulse and after the addition of detergent.

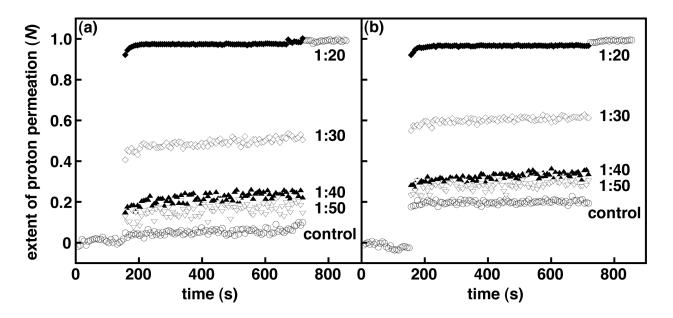


Figure S11. Normalized extent of proton permeation as a function of time for various mole ratios of **2** in DPPC vesicles (i.e., **2**/DPPC) prior to UV irradiation (a) and after 3 min of UV irradiation (b). Each plot is an average of a minimum of four independent measurements. For clarity error bars are not shown, and only the control is shown before the base pulse and after the addition of detergent.

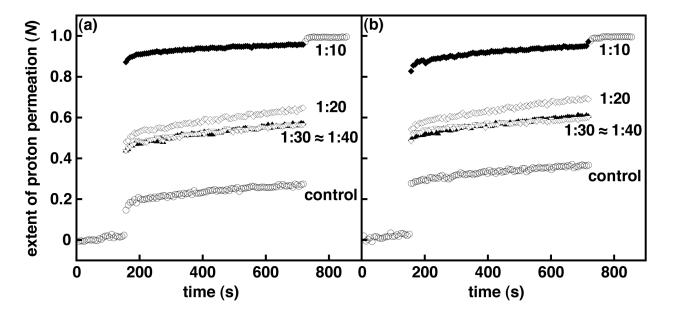


Figure S12. Normalized extent of proton permeation as a function of time for various mole ratios of **3** in DOPC vesicles (i.e., **3**/DOPC) prior to UV irradiation (a) and after 3 min of UV irradiation (b). Each plot is an average of a minimum of four independent measurements. For clarity error bars are not shown, and only the control is shown before the base pulse and after the addition of detergent.

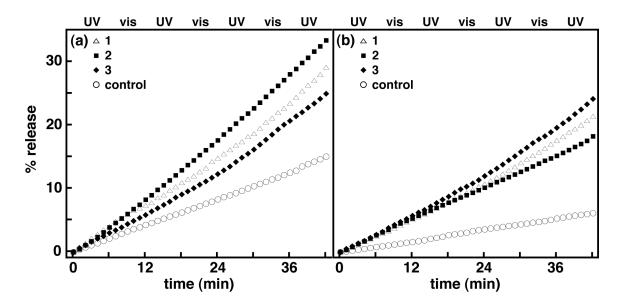


Figure S13. Normalized percentage of potassium ion release as a function of time for **1–3** in DOPC (a) and DPPC (b) vesicles at a mole ratio of 1:20 (i.e., spirooxazine/lipid) without irradiation. Each plot is an average of three independent measurements. For clarity error bars are not shown.

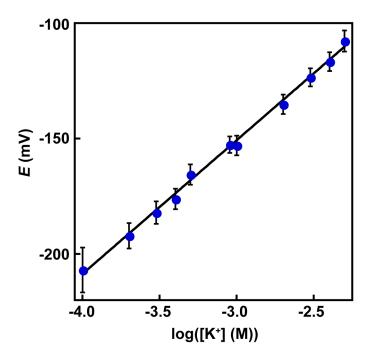


Figure S14. Calibration curve for the electrode potential of potassium ions in phosphate buffer. The error bars represent the standard deviation for the mean taken from a minimum of four independent measurements.

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