

Electronic supplementary information

Mono-and Tetra-nuclear copper complexes bearing bis(imino)phenoxide derived ligands

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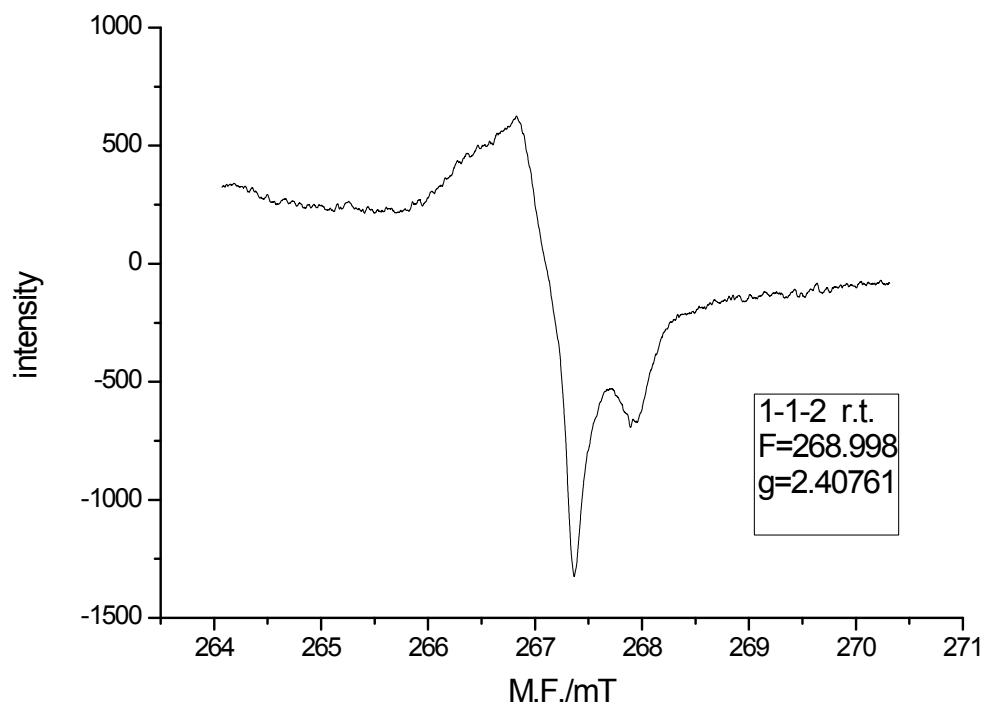


Figure S1. Room temperature ESR of **2a**.

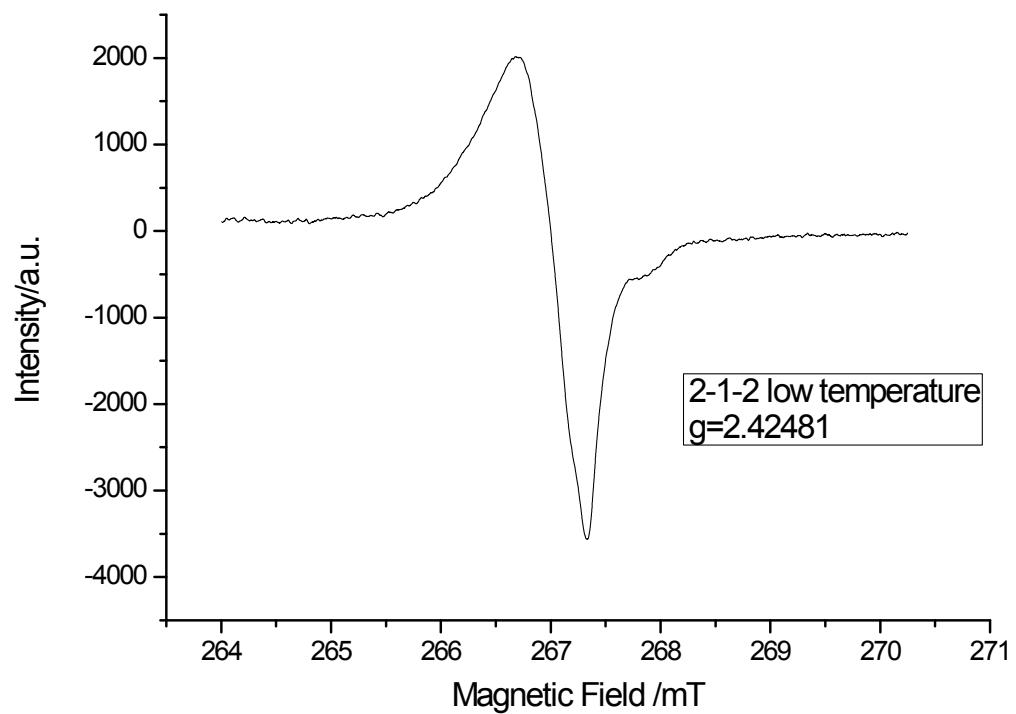


Figure S2. Low temperature (103 K) ESR of **2c**.

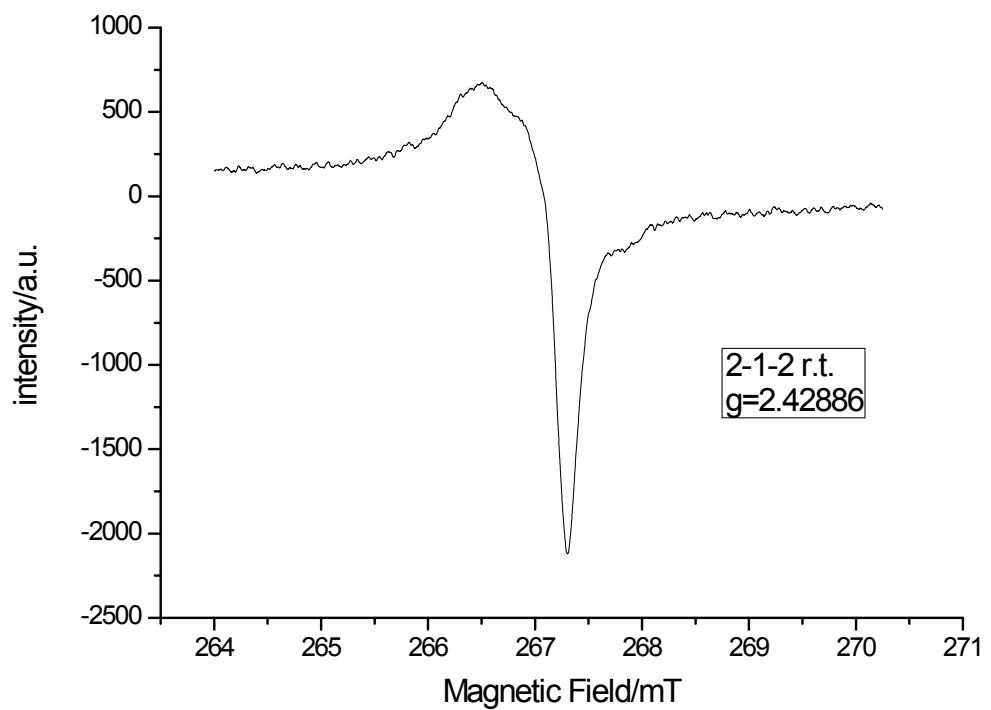


Figure S3. Room temperature ESR of **2c**.

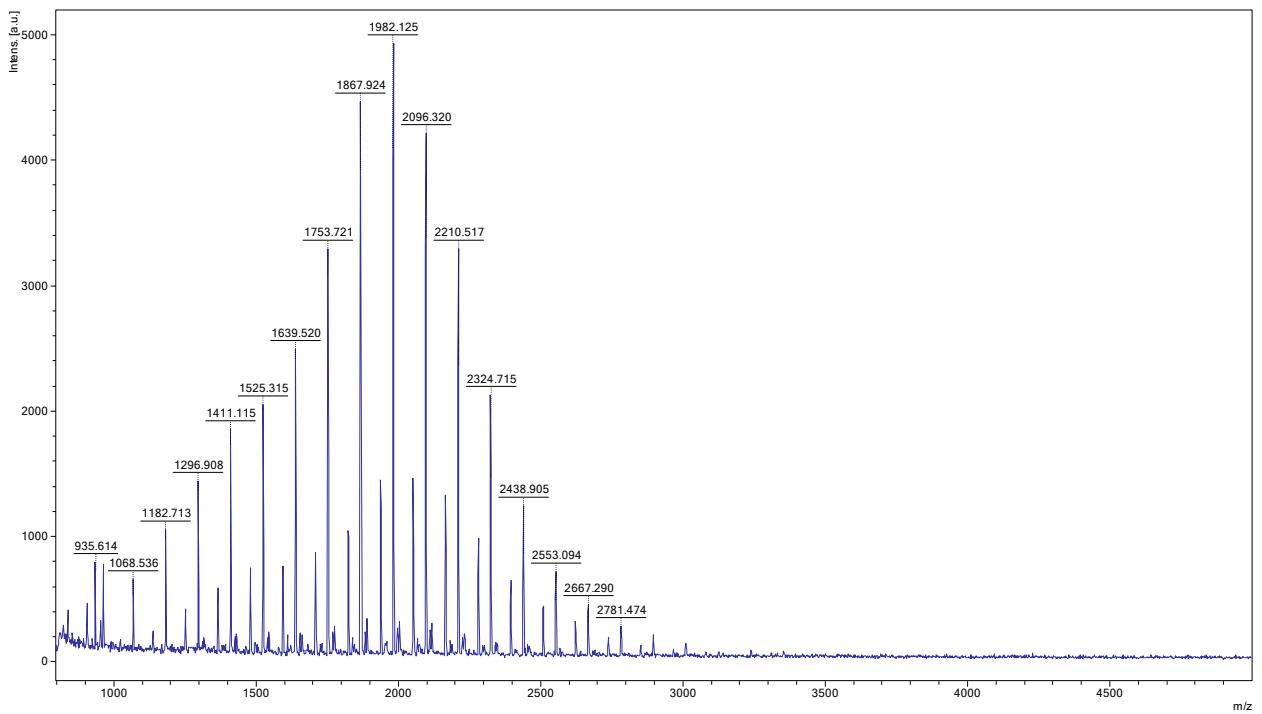


Figure S4. MALDI-TOF spectrum of the PCL using **2a** (from run 5, Table 1).

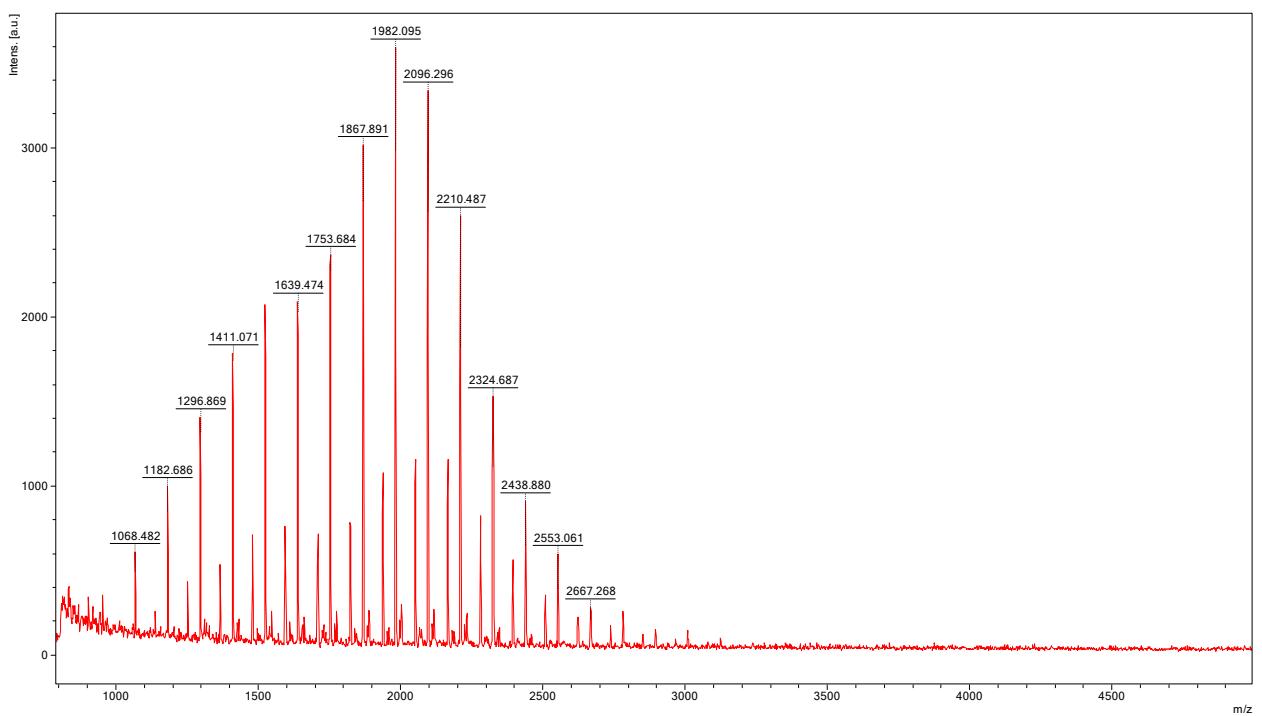


Figure S5. MALDI-TOF spectrum of the PCL using **2b** (from run 7, Table 1).

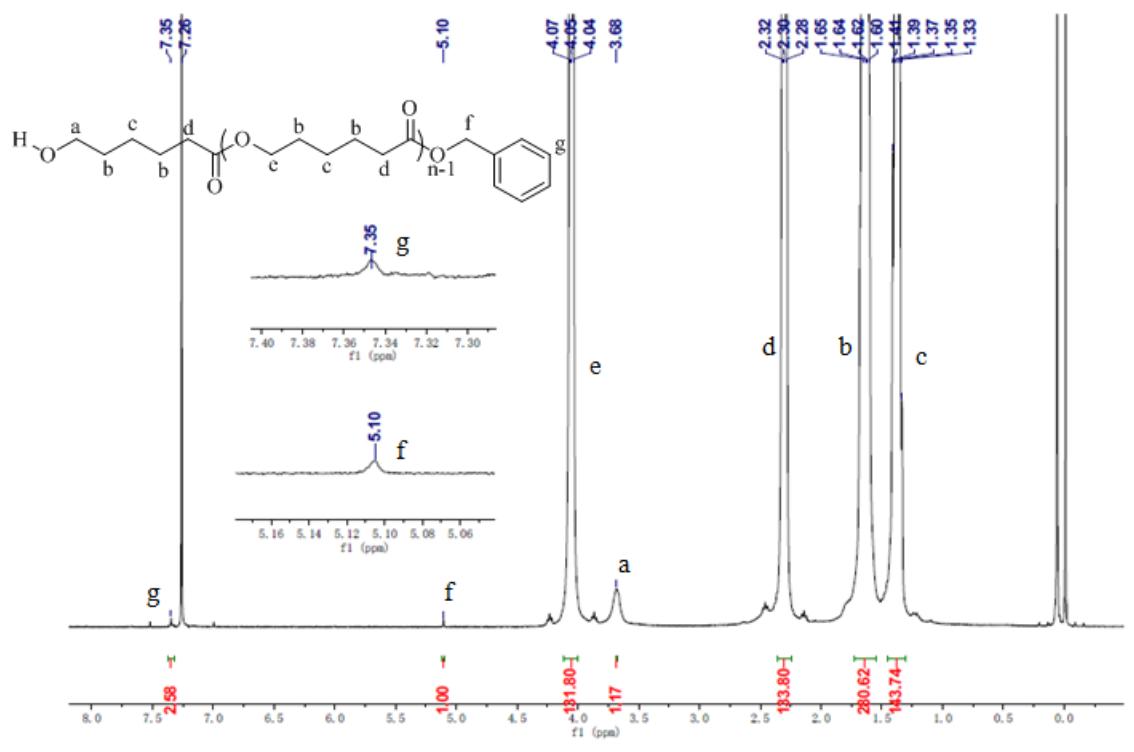


Figure S6. ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) of the PCL using **2b** (from run 7, Table 1).

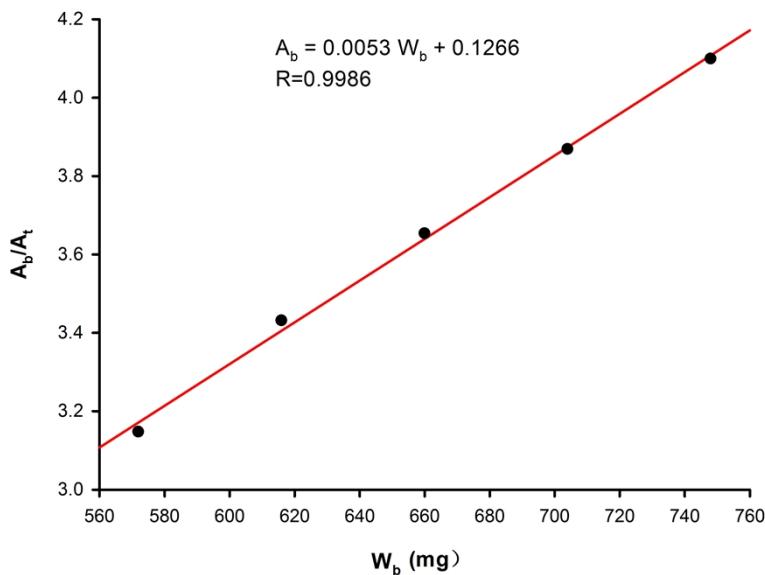


Figure S7. The calibration curve of benzene (Y-ordinate: the ratio of the peak area of the analyte over that of the internal standard; X-ordinate: the mass of the analyte).

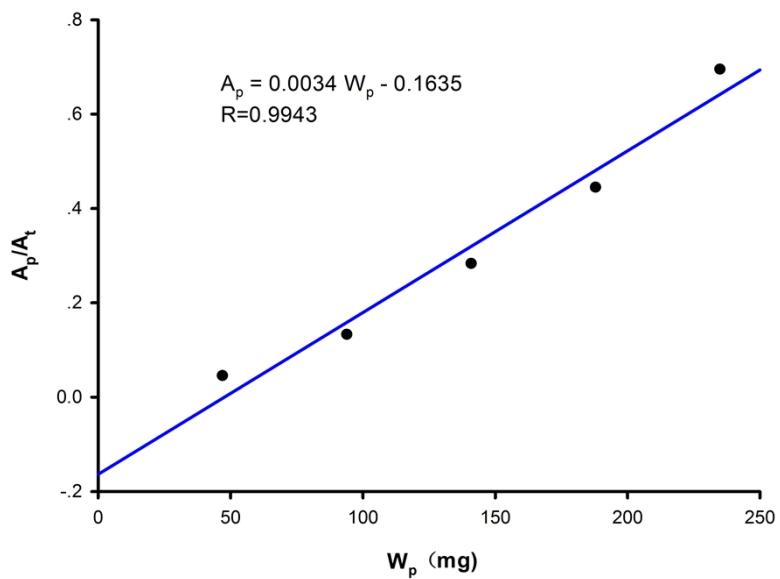


Figure S8. The calibration curve of phenol (Y-ordinate: the ratio of the peak area of the analyte over that of the internal standard; X-ordinate: the mass of the analyte).