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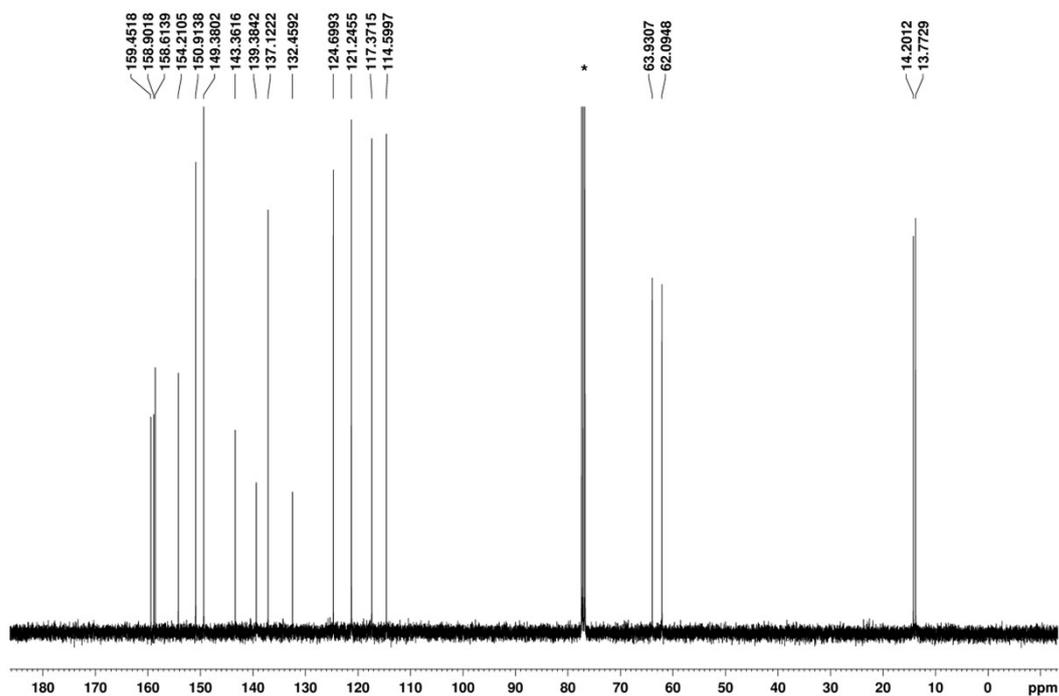
**Investigation of new bis(carboxylate)triazole-based anchoring ligands for dye solar cell chromophore complexes**

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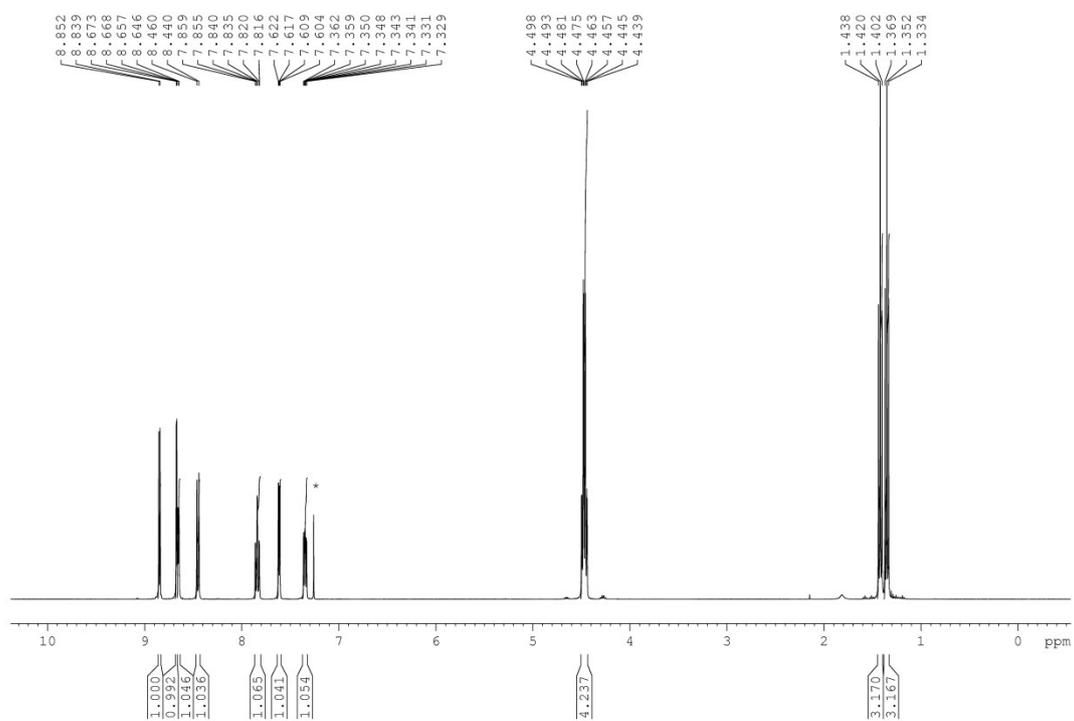
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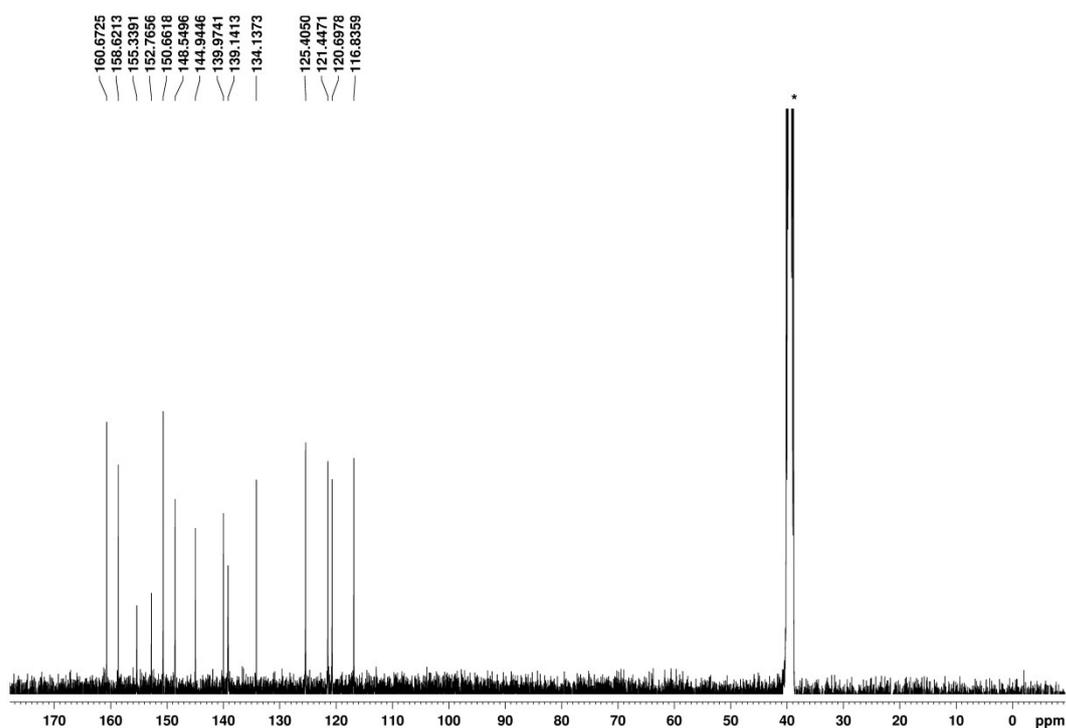
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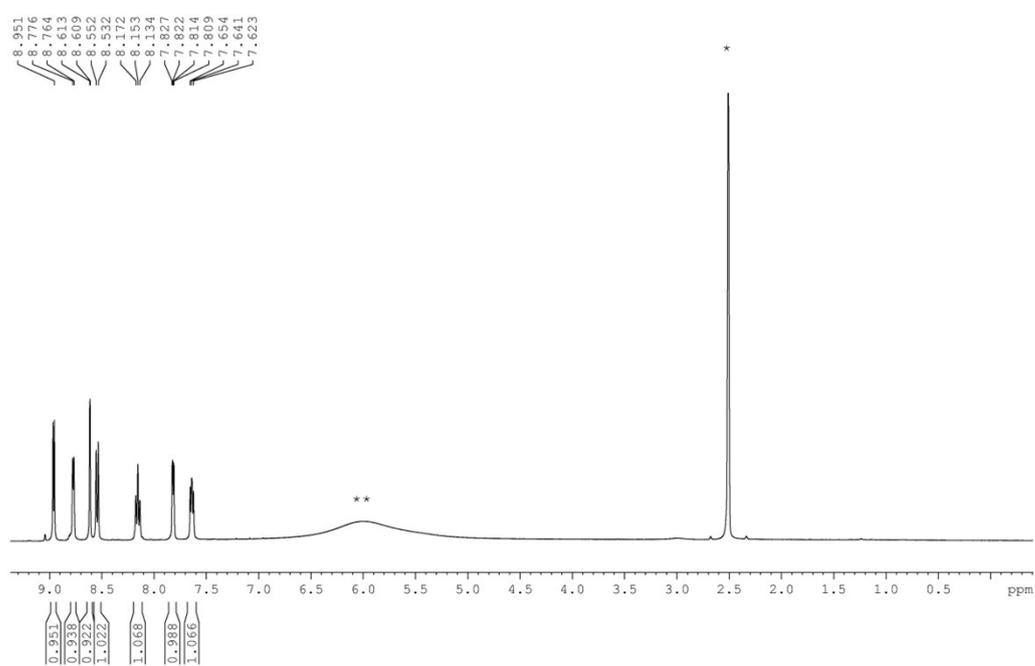
**Figure S1.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **detzbp** in d-chloroform (\* residual solvent signals).



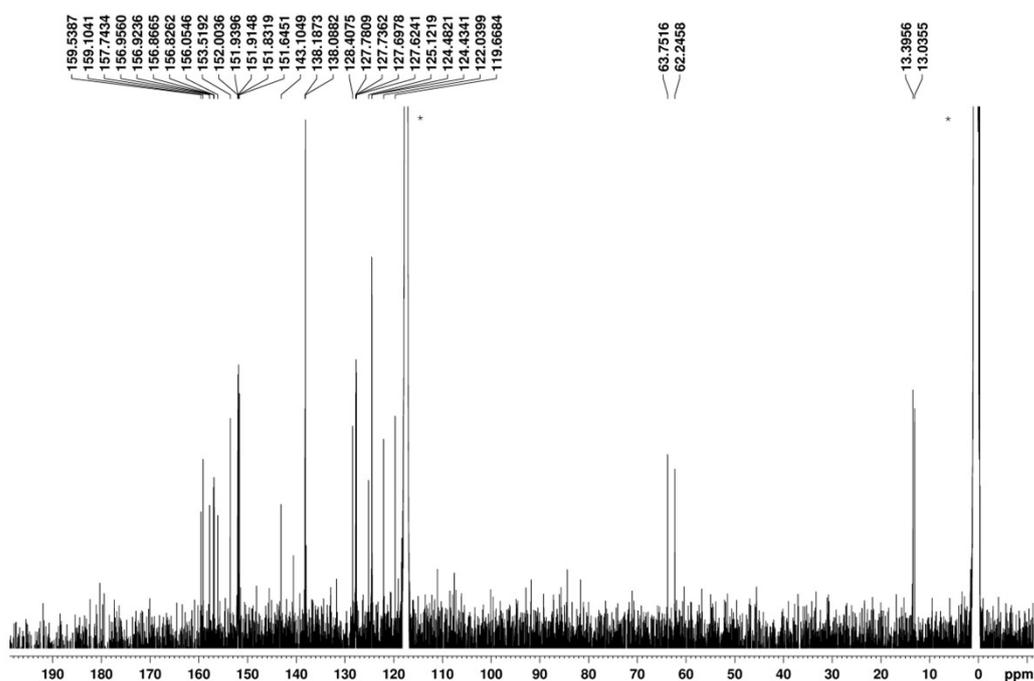
**Figure S2.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **detzbp** in d-chloroform (\* residual solvent signals).



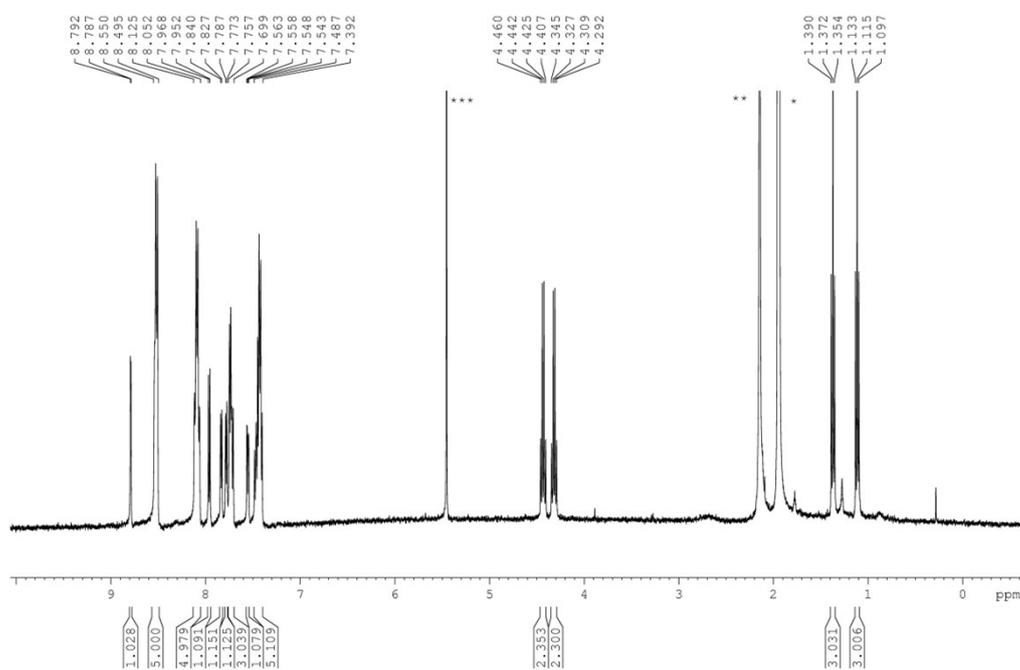
**Figure S3.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **dctzbp** in  $\text{d}_6$ -DMSO (\* residual solvent signals).



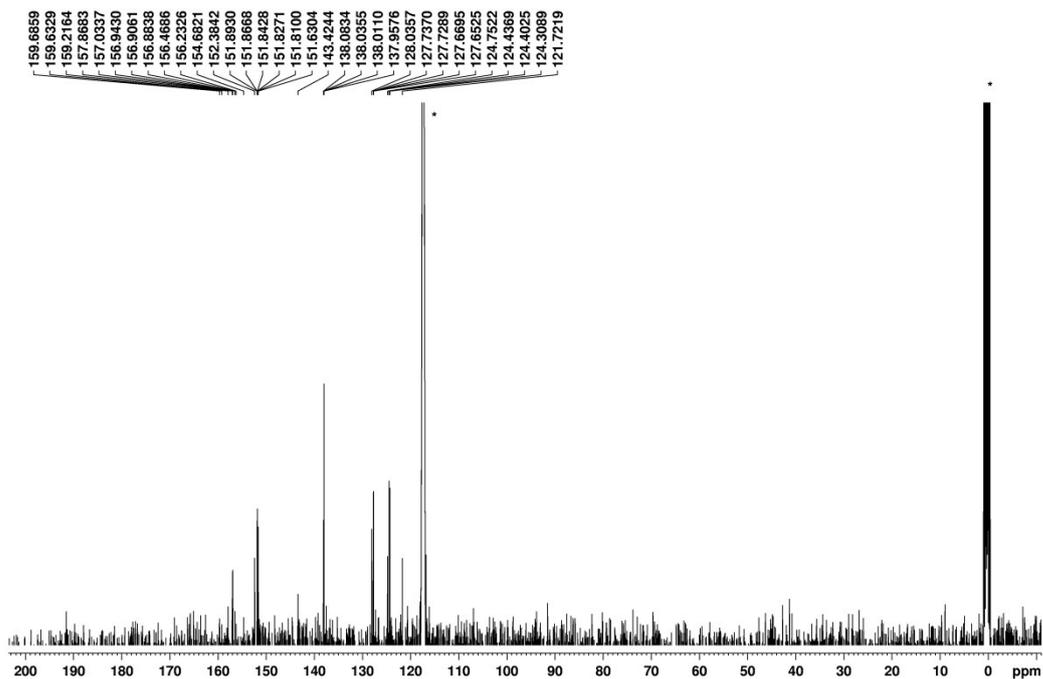
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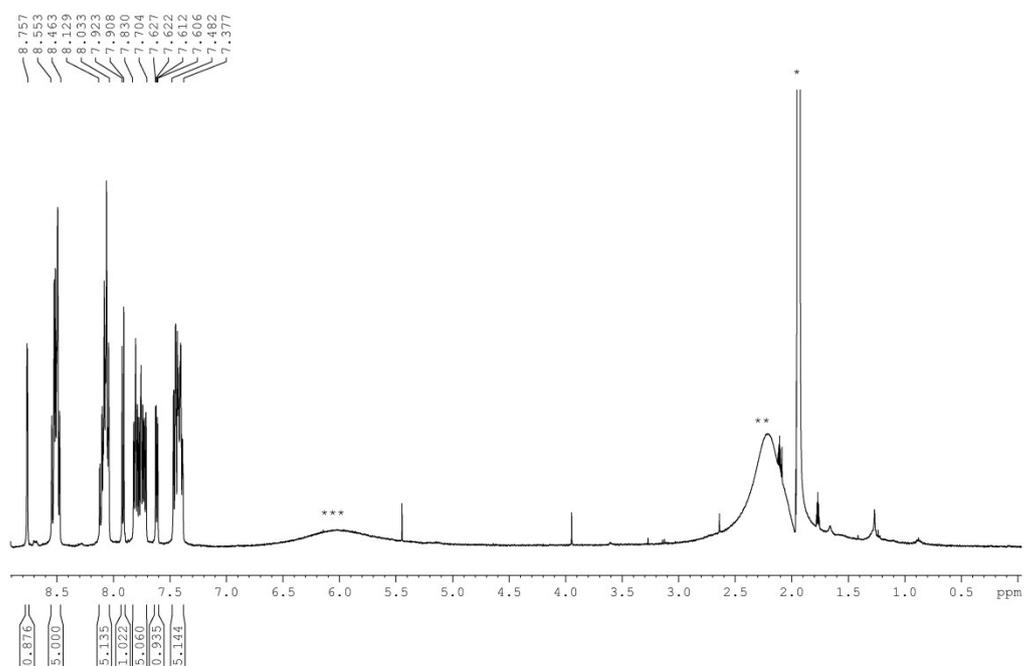
**Figure S5.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **AS16-Et<sub>2</sub>** in  $\text{d}_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signals).



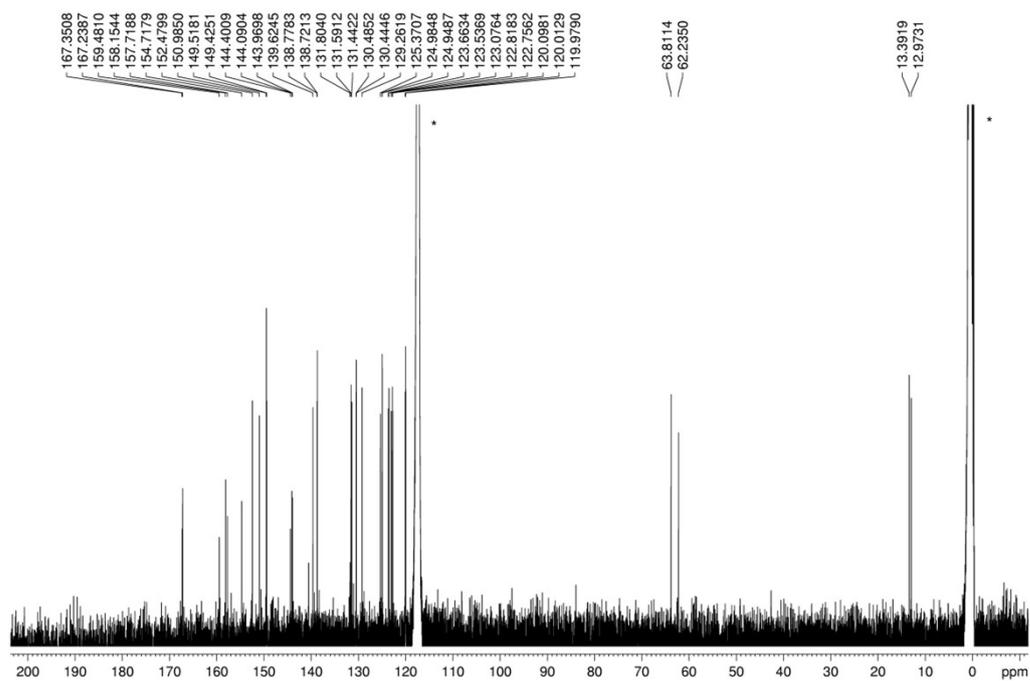
**Figure S6.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **AS16-Et<sub>2</sub>** in  $\text{d}_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signal, \*\* adventitious water signal, \*\*\* adventitious dichlorometane signal).



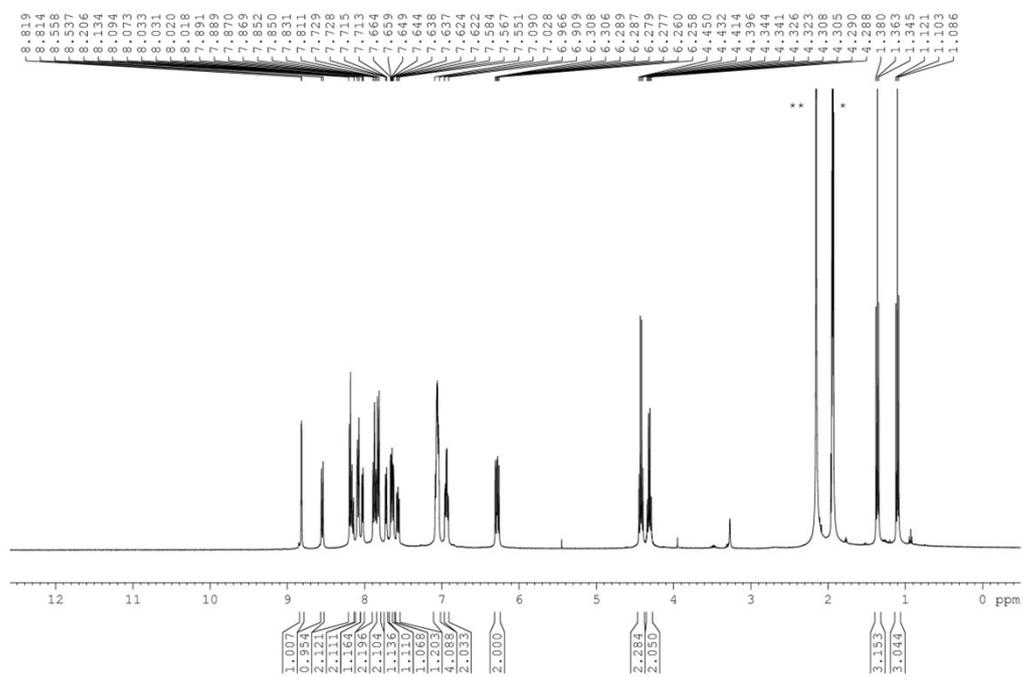
**Figure S7.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **AS16** in  $\text{d}_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signals).



**Figure S8.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **AS16** in  $\text{d}_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signal, \*\* adventitious water signal, \*\*\* impurity in solvent batch).

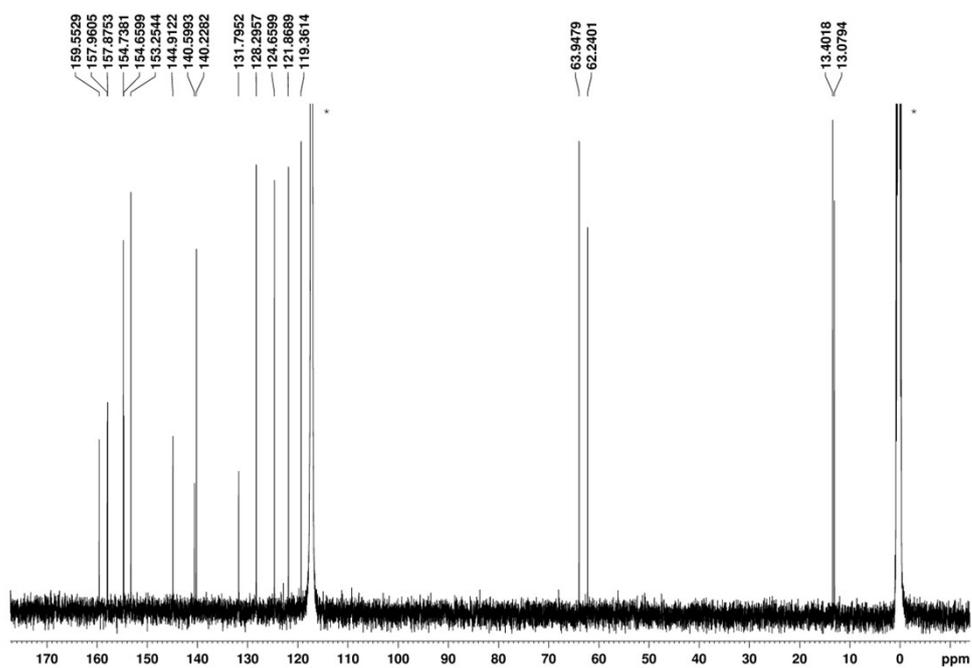


**Figure S9.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **AS17-Et<sub>2</sub>** in  $\text{d}_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signals).

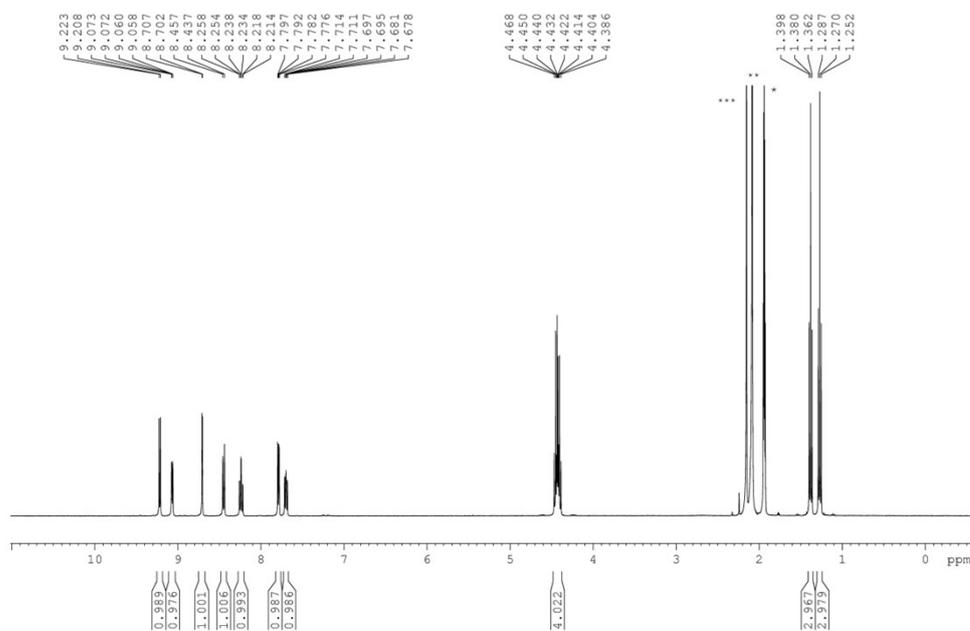


**Figure S10.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **AS17-Et<sub>2</sub>** in  $\text{d}_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signal, \*\* adventitious water signal).

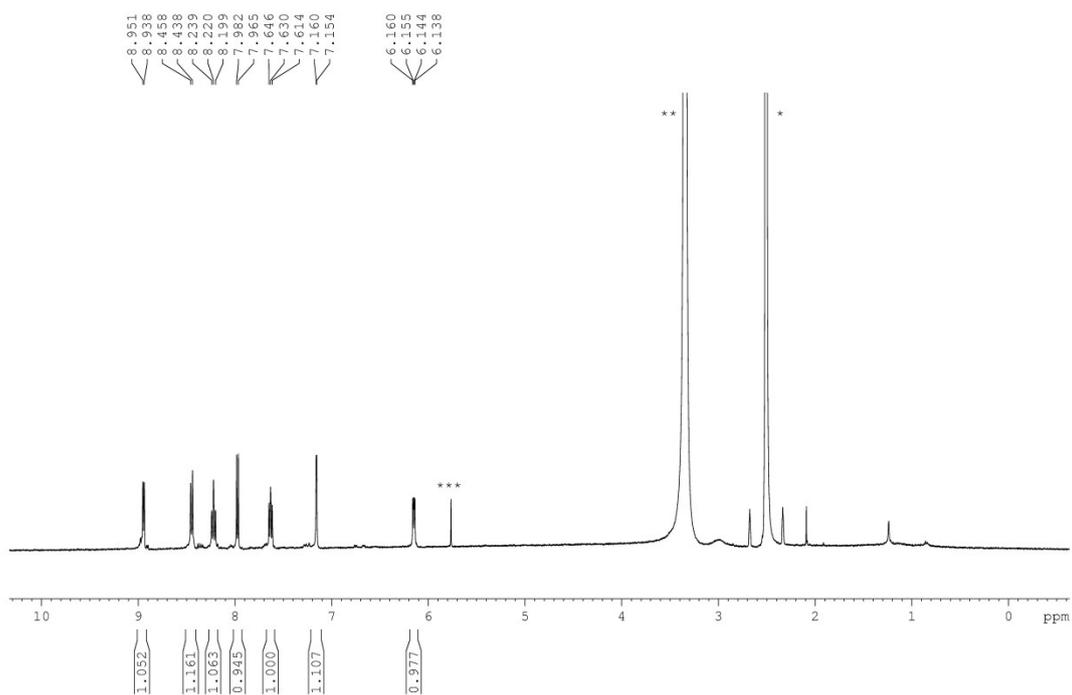




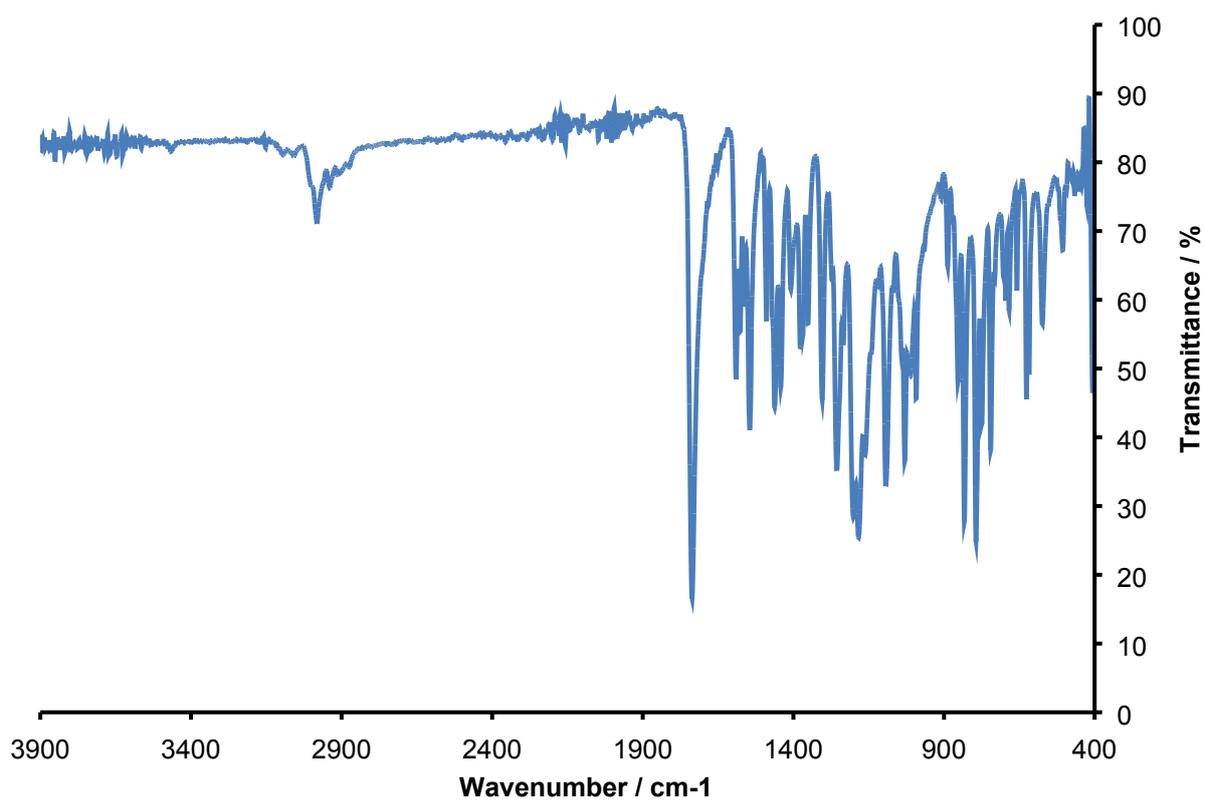
**Figure S13.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **AS18-Et<sub>2</sub>** in  $d_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signal).



**Figure S14.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **AS18-Et<sub>2</sub>** in  $d_3$ -acetonitrile (\* residual solvent signal, \*\* adventitious acetone signal, \*\*\* adventitious water signal).



**Figure S15.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **AS18** in  $\text{d}_6\text{-DMSO}$  (\* residual solvent signal, \*\* adventitious water signal, \*\*\* adventitious dichloromethane signal).



**Figure S16.** FT-IR spectrum of **detzbp**.

**Optimised geometry coordinates for AS16 (.xyz file format)**

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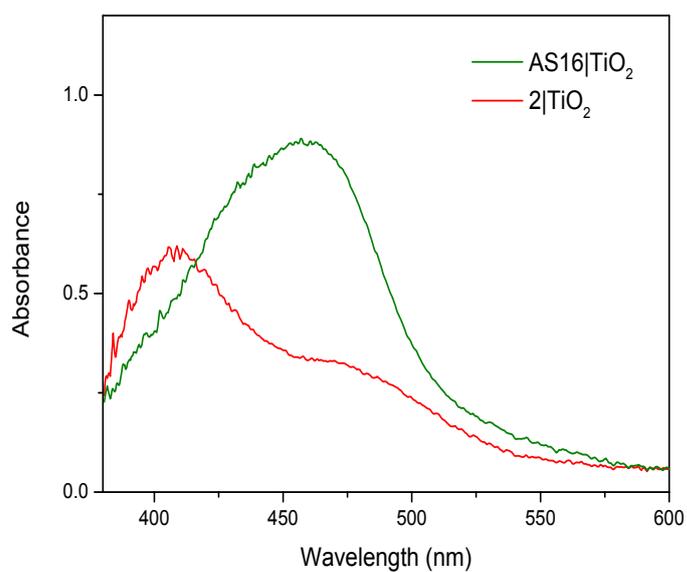
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**Table S1.** Summarised TDDFT data for **AS16-18** and **1-3** for selected transitions.

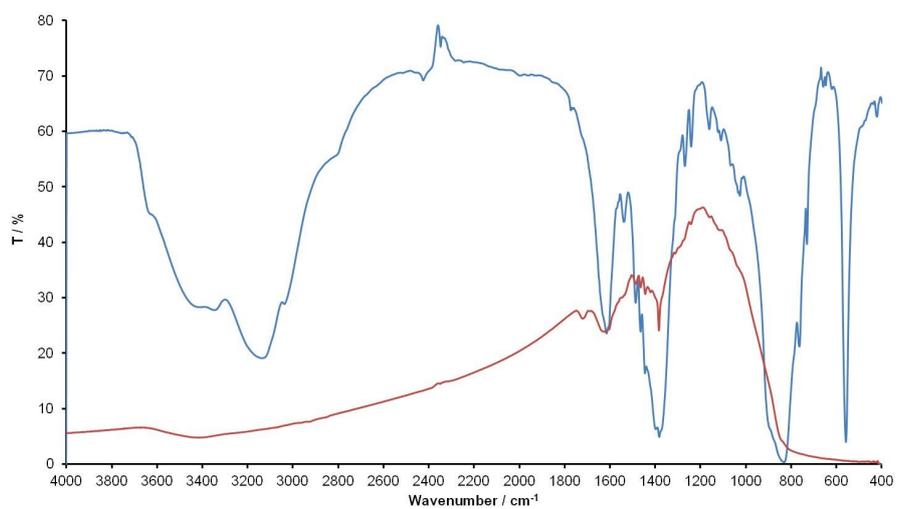
Complex	Transition	Energy	$\lambda$	$f$	Composition	Character
<b>AS16</b>	S <sub>1</sub>	2.364	524	0.00362	HOMO→LUMO 90%	MLCT
	S <sub>5</sub>	2.743	452	0.15	HOMO-1→LUMO 54%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+1 27%	MLCT
	S <sub>8</sub>	3.004	412	0.11	HOMO-2→LUMO+1 49%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+2 36%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+1 7%	MLCT

	S <sub>9</sub>	3.105	399	0.05	HOMO→LUMO+3 54%	MLCT
					HOMO-2→LUMO+2 21%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+2 8%	MLCT
	S <sub>11</sub>	3.296	376	0.02	HOMO-1→LUMO+3 68%	MLCT
					HOMO-2→LUMO+3 21%	MLCT
<b>AS17</b>	S <sub>1</sub>	2.199	563	0.00061	HOMO→LUMO 96%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>4</sub>	2.947	421	0.03	HOMO-1→LUMO 68%	MLCT/LLCT
					HOMO-2→LUMO 21%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>5</sub>	3.144	394	0.05	HOMO→LUMO+2 92%	MLCT/ILCT
	S <sub>6</sub>	3.152	393	0.08	HOMO-3→LUMO 81%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>9</sub>	3.399	365	0.02	HOMO-5→LUMO 88%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>12</sub>	3.611	343	0.03	HOMO-4→LUMO+1 12%	MLCT/LLCT
					HOMO-2→LUMO+1 77%	MLCT/LLCT
<b>AS18</b>	S <sub>1</sub>	2.599	476	0.0037	HOMO→LUMO 96%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>2</sub>	2.796	443	0.08	HOMO-1→LUMO 96%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>4</sub>	3.360	369	0.02	HOMO→LUMO+1 94%	LLCT/MLCT
	S <sub>9</sub>	4.062	305	0.05	HOMO-3→LUMO 38%	ILCT
					HOMO-5→LUMO 28%	LLCT/MLCT
					HOMO-4→LUMO 20%	LLCT/MLCT
<b>1</b>	S <sub>1</sub>	2.257	549	0.00345	HOMO→LUMO 96%	MLCT
	S <sub>3</sub>	2.697	460	0.10	HOMO-2→LUMO 81%	MLCT
	S <sub>5</sub>	2.769	448	0.01	HOMO→LUMO+2 90%	MLCT
	S <sub>8</sub>	3.077	403	0.10	HOMO-2→LUMO +2 47%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+1 49%	MLCT
	S <sub>9</sub>	3.119	397	0.08	HOMO→LUMO+3 56%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+2 30%	MLCT

	S <sub>10</sub>	3.250	382	0.10	HOMO-1→LUMO+4 54%	MLCT
					HOMO-2→LUMO+2 6%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+2 23%	MLCT
					HOMO→LUMO+3 10%	MLCT
	S <sub>12</sub>	3.349		0.04	HOMO-2→LUMO+3 72%	MLCT
					HOMO→LUMO+4 21%	MLCT
	S <sub>13</sub>	3.398	365	0.04	HOMO-1→LUMO+3 36%	MLCT
					HOMO→LUMO+3 21%	MLCT
					HOMO-1→LUMO+2 12%	MLCT
	S <sub>15</sub>	3.527	352	0.04	HOMO-2→LUMO+4 87%	MLCT
<b>2</b>	S <sub>1</sub>	2.024	612	0.00036	HOMO→LUMO 99%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>6</sub>	3.033	409	0.08	HOMO-3→LUMO 84%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>8</sub>	3.166	392	0.05	HOMO→LUMO+3 86%	MLCT/ILCT
	S <sub>12</sub>	3.602	344	0.06	HOMO-4→LUMO+1 12%	MLCT/LLCT
					HOMO-2→LUMO+1 81%	MLCT/LLCT
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	S <sub>2</sub>	2.631	471	0.07	HOMO-1→LUMO 96%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>4</sub>	3.253	381	0.04	HOMO→LUMO+1 96%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>5</sub>	3.311	374	0.02	HOMO-1→LUMO+1 96%	MLCT/LLCT
	S <sub>9</sub>	3.905	318	0.04	HOMO-5→LUMO 49%	LLCT/MLCT
					HOMO-3→LUMO 47%	ILCT
	S <sub>10</sub>	3.977	312	0.07	HOMO-4→LUMO 94%	LLCT



**Figure S17.** UV-vis absorption spectra of **2** and **AS16** adsorbed onto a  $\text{TiO}_2$  electrode.



**Figure S18.** Infrared spectra of **AS16** (KBr disc, blue trace) and **AS16** immobilised on  $\text{TiO}_2$  (KBr disc, red trace).