Supplementary Information for

Synthesis and self-assembly of a D_{3h} symmetric polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon into a rigid 2D honeycomb network

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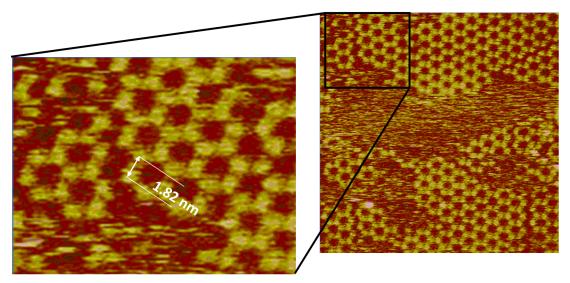
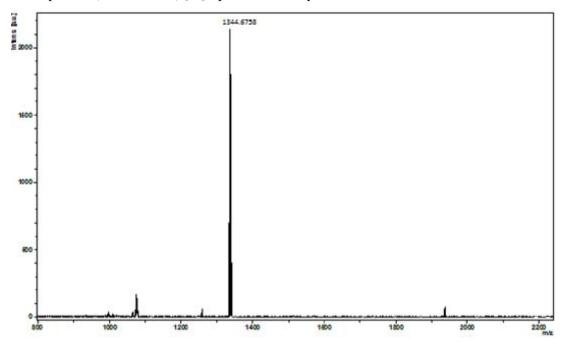


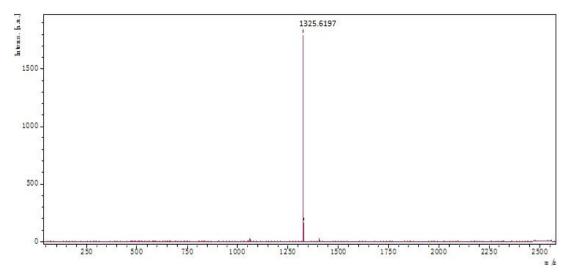
Fig. S1 A STM image after adsorption of 4,4'-bipyridine guests within the supramolecular honeycomb network at the liquid (1-phenyloctane) – solid (HOPG) interface: $(60 \times 60 \text{ nm}^2, I_{\text{set}} = 145 \text{ pA}, V_{\text{set}} = -1100 \text{ mV})$.

Mass spectra, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra for the synthesized compounds:

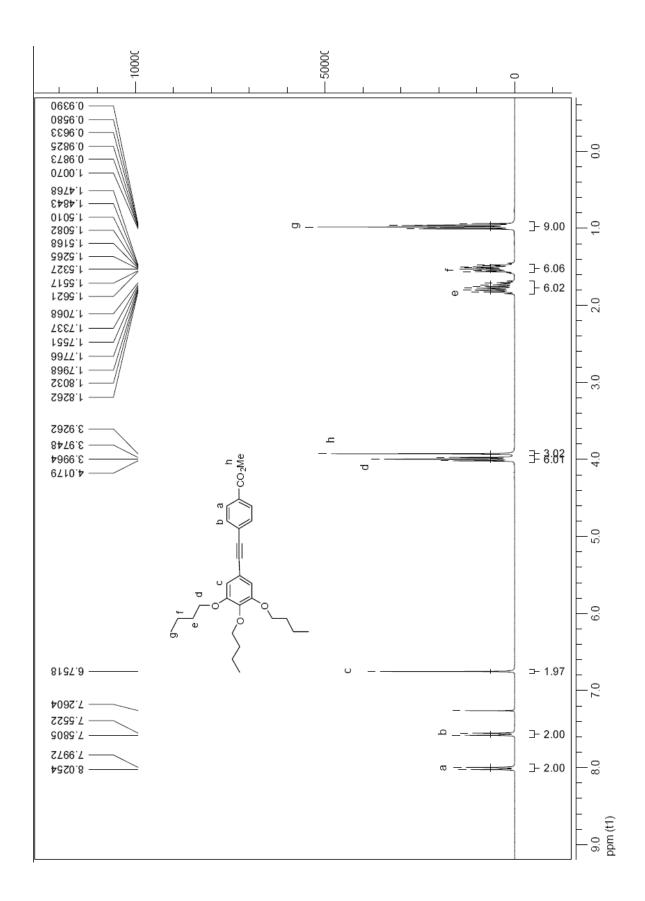
Mass spectrum(MALDI-TOF) [M] spectrum of compound 4.



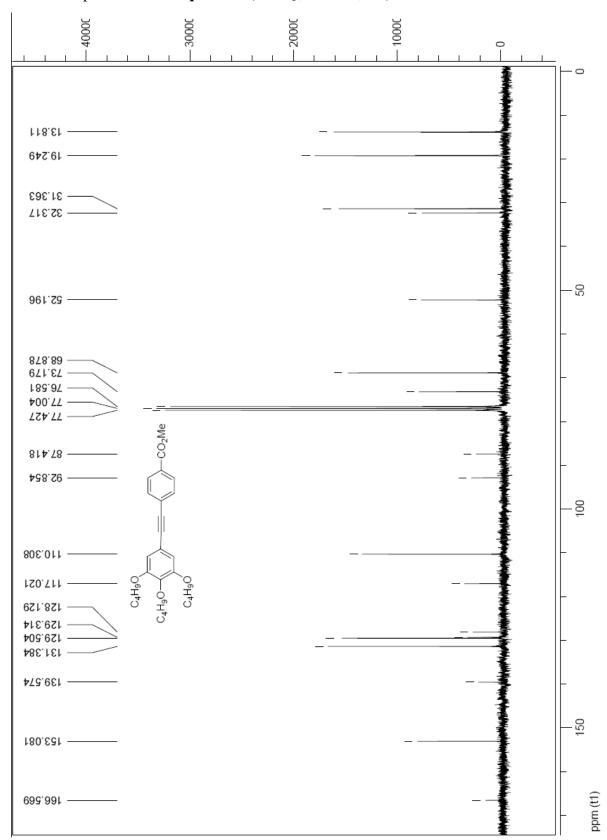
Mass spectrum(MALDI-TOF) [M+Na]+ spectrum of compound **HBC-COOH**.

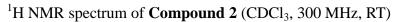


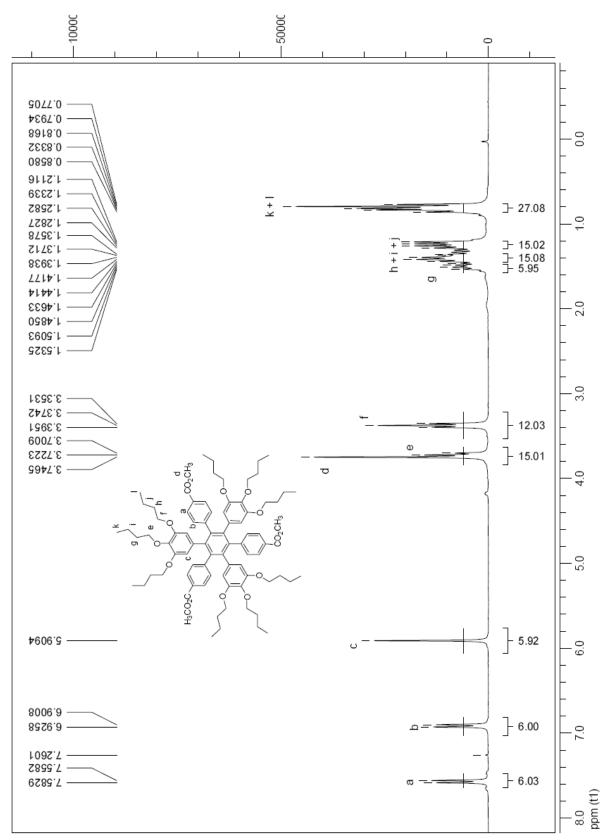
¹H NMR spectrum of **Compound 1** (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, RT)



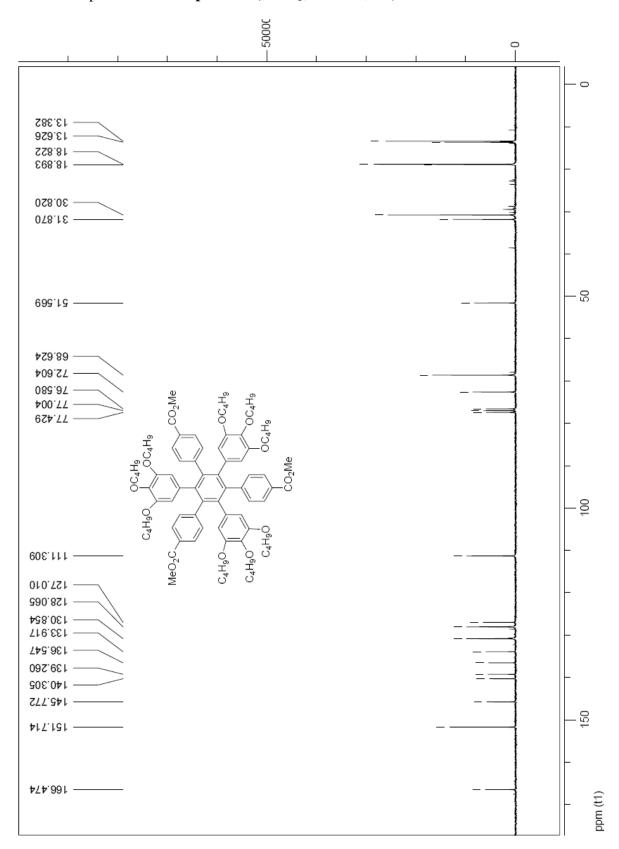
^{13}C NMR spectrum of Compound 1 (CDCl $_3,\,75$ MHz, RT)

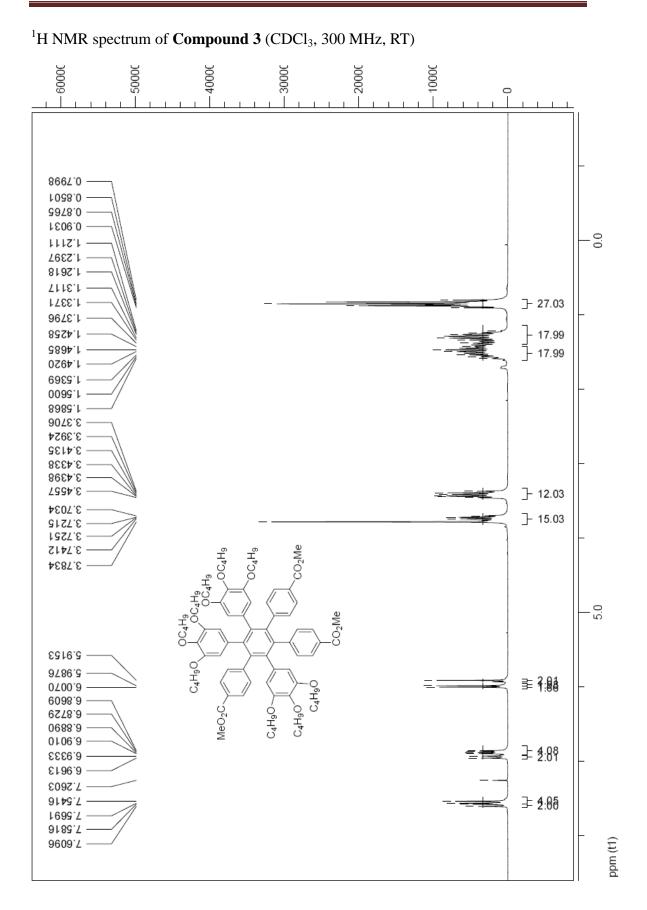




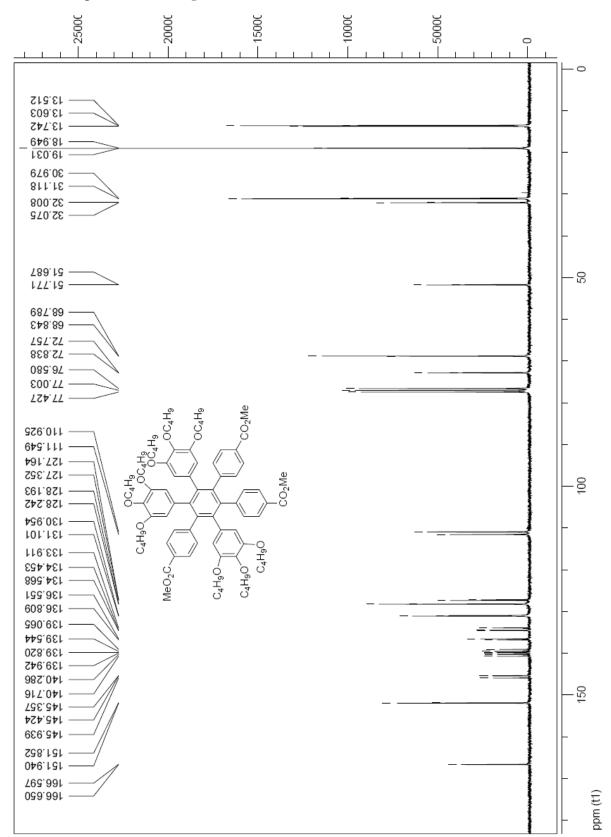


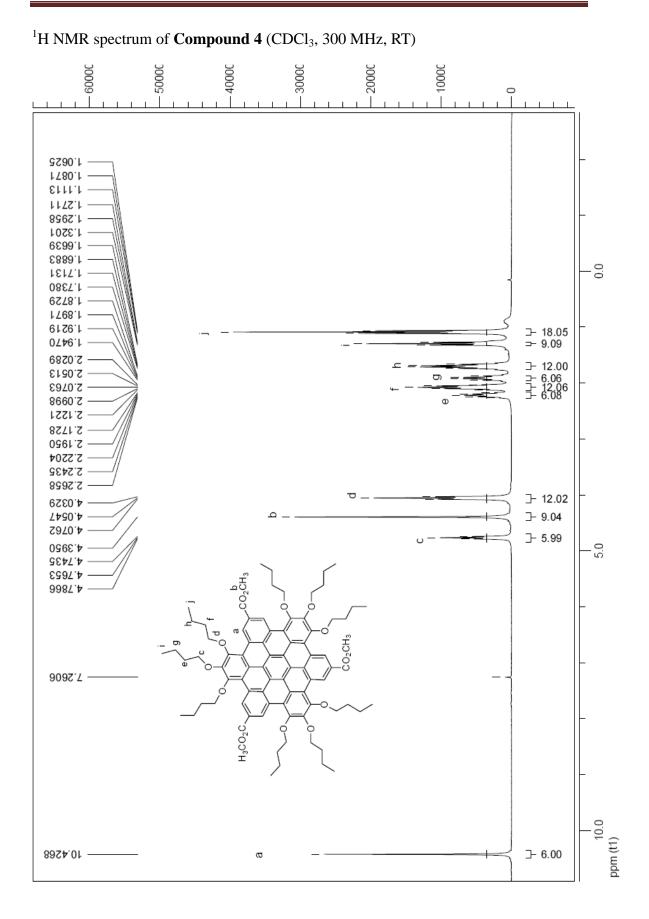
^{13}C NMR spectrum of Compound 2 (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, RT)

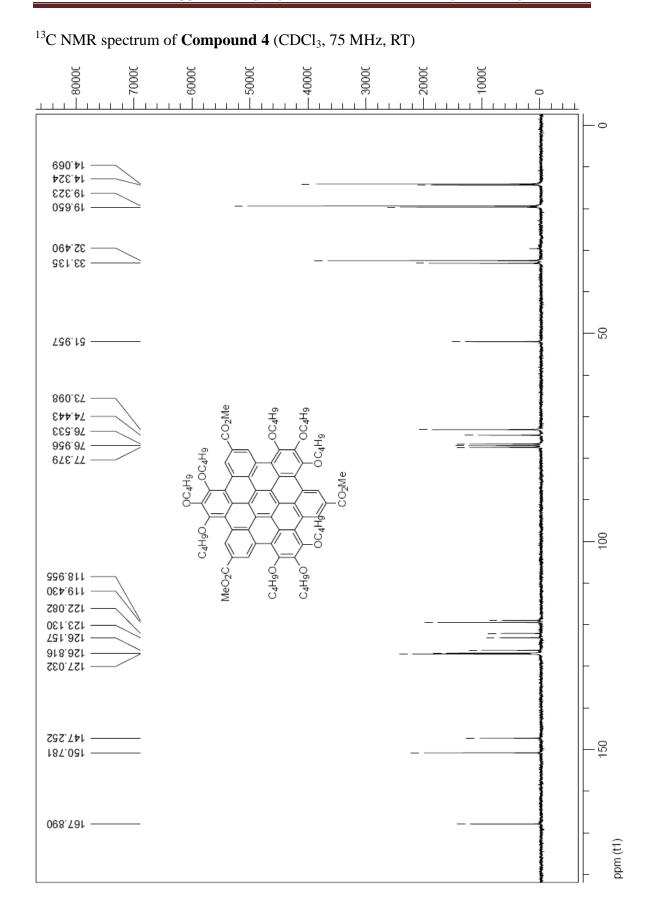




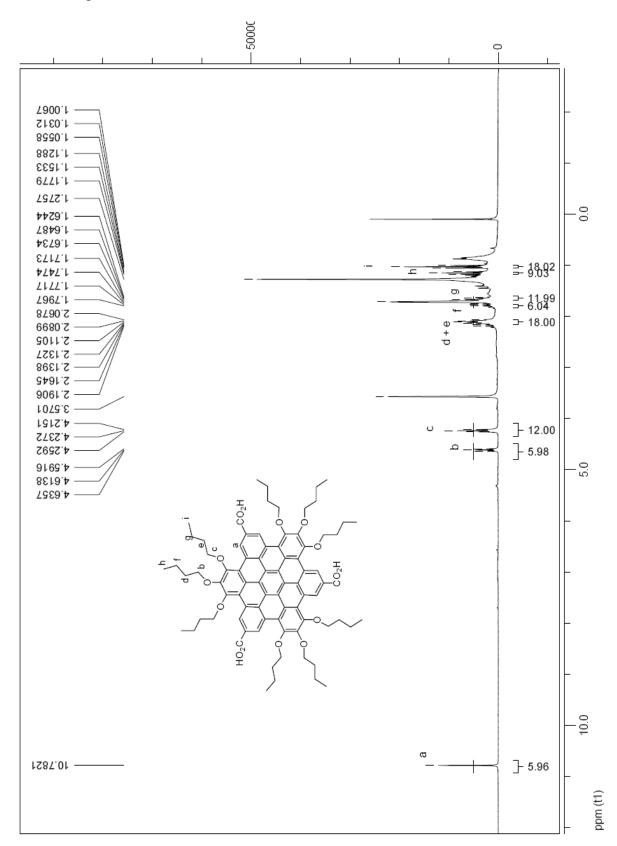








$^{1}\text{H NMR}$ spectrum of **HBC-COOH** (THF-d₈, 300 MHz, RT)



^{13}C NMR spectrum of HBC-COOH (THF-d_8, 75 MHz, RT) 20000 15000 10000 50000 14.357 14.460 782.02 20.329 23.446 179.42 24.936 25.203 25.476 25.745 30.192 30.525 32.759 885.88 33.772 34.149 20 107.88 **7**66.99 82.79 £78.73 866.47 75.203 100 120.859 123.449 124.801 128.424 128.545 128.591 128.662 E47.841 -150 152.315 ppm (t1) 249.831 —