

## ***Supporting Information***

### **Regioselective $\beta$ -silylation of porphyrins via iridium-catalyzed C-H bond activation**

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## General Information

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at rt on a JEOL JNM AL-300, a JEOL JNM AL-400, a JEOL JNM ECS-400, and a JEOL JNM LA-500 MHz spectrometers using perdeuterated solvents as internal standards. Chemical shifts of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C spectra are given in ppm relative to residual protiated solvent and relative to the solvent respectively. CHCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  = 7.24) for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and relative to the central resonance of CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  = 77.0) for <sup>13</sup>C NMR. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded at rt on a JEOL JNM ECS-400 spectrometer using benzotrifluoride as an external standard. The chemical shift values are expressed as  $\delta$  values (ppm) and the couple constants values ( $J$ ) are in Hertz (Hz). The following abbreviations were used for signal multiplicities: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; and br, broad. UV-visible spectra were recorded on a JASCO V-660 dual-beam grating spectrophotometer with a 1 cm quartz cell. IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-4100 spectrophotometer. The mass spectroscopic data were obtained on JEOL JNM-DX302 spectrometer. The melting point data were not available for the porphyrin derivatives obtained because these compounds are infusible below 300 °C.

Reactions involving moisture sensitive reagents were carried out under an argon atmosphere using standard vacuum line techniques and glassware that was flame-dried and cooled under argon before use. Dry THF and dry dioxane were purchased for the reactions and used without further desiccation. Porphyrin derivatives, **H<sub>2</sub>-1a**,<sup>1</sup> **Zn-1a**,<sup>2</sup> **H<sub>2</sub>-1b**,<sup>3</sup> **H<sub>2</sub>-1c**,<sup>4,5</sup> **Zn-1c**,<sup>4</sup> **Ni-1c**,<sup>6</sup> **H<sub>2</sub>-1d**,<sup>7</sup> **Zn-1e**,<sup>8</sup> **H<sub>2</sub>-1f**,<sup>9</sup> **H<sub>2</sub>-1g**,<sup>10</sup> and **Zn-1h**,<sup>11</sup> were prepared according to the method described in the literature. Other chemicals were purchased from commercial sources and used as received unless stated otherwise.

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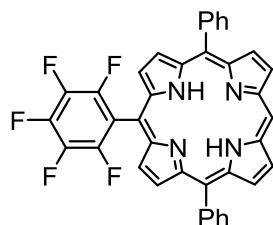
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## Experimental Section

### Preparation of porphyrins H<sub>2</sub>-1e and H<sub>2</sub>-1h

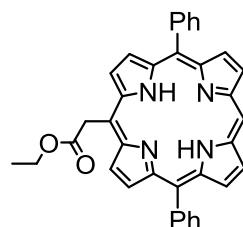
A mixture of THF (1.8 mL) and HCl (0.2 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of porphyrinate zinc **Zn-1** (0.5 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at rt. The mixture was stirred at rt for 20 min, diluted with THF/Et<sub>2</sub>O (2:1, 50 mL), and then neutralized with saturated sodium bicarbonate. The solution was washed with water and brine, and the organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting solid was purified by recrystallization from MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> to give the pure free base porphyrin.

#### 5,15-Diphenyl-10-pentafluorophenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-1e



Prepared from porphyrin **Zn-1e** (345 mg, 500  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 307 mg, 98% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.72 (1/1 toluene/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.28 (1H, s), 9.34 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.01 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.99 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.80 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.24-8.22 (4H, m), 7.80-7.77 (6H, m), -3.01 (2H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz)  $\delta$ : 148.0 (2C, br), 147.9 (2C, br), 146.5 (2C, d,  $J_{CF}$  = 246.2 Hz), 146.2 (2C, br), 146.0 (2C, br), 142.2 (1C, d,  $J_{CF}$  = 247.2 Hz), 141.6 (2C), 137.7 (2C, d,  $J_{CF}$  = 247.2 Hz), 134.9 (4C), 132.5 (2C), 132.1 (2C), 131.8 (2C), 129.5 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 127.2 (4C), 120.7 (2C), 117.5 (1C, t,  $J_{CF}$  = 18.1 Hz), 106.9, 100.9; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz)  $\delta$ : -135.9 (2F, dd,  $J_{FF}$  = 24.7, 8.6 Hz), -152.0 (1F, t,  $J_{FF}$  = 21.3 Hz), -161.5 (2F, ddd,  $J_{FF}$  = 26.1, 18.1, 5.5 Hz); IR (KBr), 3297, 3116, 3077, 1496, 987, 790, 725 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 412.0 (5.5), 507.5 (4.2), 580.5 (3.7), 636.5 (3.2) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>22</sub>F<sub>5</sub>N<sub>4</sub> 629.1765, found 629.1757.

#### 5,15-Diphenyl-10-(2-ethoxycarbonylethyl)porphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-1h



Prepared from porphyrin **Zn-1h** (306 mg, 500  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 270 mg, 98% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.80 (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.14 (1H, s), 9.58 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.27 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.00 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.96 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.23-8.21 (4H, br m), 7.81-7.76 (6H, br m), 6.06 (2H, s), 4.16 (2H, q,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz), 1.12 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), -3.04 (2H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 172.5, 148.1 (2C, br), 147.1 (2C, br s), 145.9 (2C, br), 144.0 (2C, br), 141.8 (2C), 134.6 (4C), 131.7 (2C, br), 131.5 (2C, br), 131.2 (2C, br), 128.6 (2C),

127.7 (2C), 126.8 (4C), 119.5 (2C), 110.4, 105.0, 61.3, 41.2, 14.1; IR (KBr), 3301, 3054, 2985, 2938, 1727, 1157, 790, 740  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 413.5 (5.4), 509.0 (4.1), 544.5 (3.5), 584.0 (3.6), 640.5 (3.2) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$  549.2291, found 549.2291.

### General Procedure for the Iridium-Catalyzed $\beta$ -Silylation of porphyrins

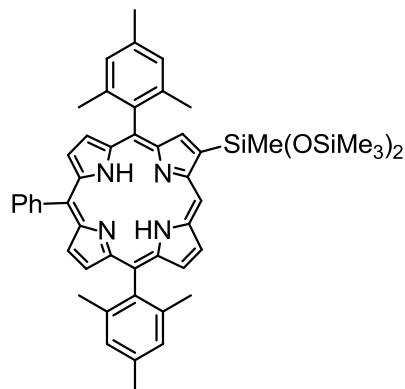
An oven-dried 50 mL two-necked flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar and rubber septum was charged with porphyrin **1** (400  $\mu\text{mol}$ ),  $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{OMe}]_2$  (10.6 mg, 16  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 4 mol%), and dtbpy (8.6 mg, 32  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 8 mol%). The reaction vessel was evacuated and flushed with argon (three times), and then 1,1,1,3,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxane (543  $\mu\text{L}$ , 2 mmol, 5 equiv.) and dry dioxane (10 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred at 95 °C for 24-48 h, having been monitored by TLC (1/5 AcOEt/hexane). The solvent was evaporated to dryness. Column chromatography on silica gel (1/10 AcOEt/hexane) followed by recrystallization from MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> gave the pure product **2**.

#### 2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-Heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-5,10,15-triphenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2a



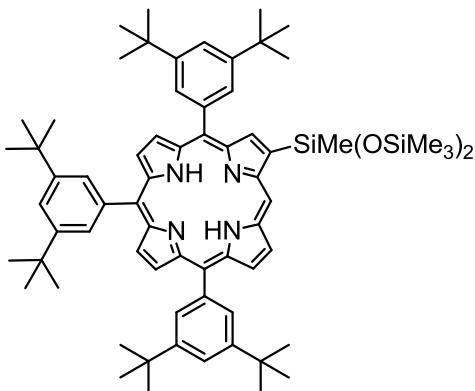
Prepared from triphenylporphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1a** (215.5 mg, 400  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 216.5 mg, 71% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.75 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.56 (1H, s), 9.37 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.24 (1H, s), 9.06 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.95 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.90 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.40 Hz), 8.36-8.20 (6H, m), 7.89-7.71 (9H, m), 0.92 (3H, s), 0.31 (18H, s), -2.81 (2H, br s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 148.6 (br), 148.1 (2C, br), 147.2 (2C, br), 146.1 (br), 145.4 (2C, br), 142.7, 142.0 (2C), 141.6, 140.3, 134.8 (2C), 134.7 (2C), 134.6 (2C), 131.9, 131.8, 131.7, 131.2, 131.0, 130.3, 127.7 (3C), 126.8 (2C), 126.7 (2C), 126.6 (2C), 120.4, 119.5, 119.4, 106.5, 2.5, 2.1 (6C); IR (KBr), 3309, 3055, 3024, 2958, 1589, 1396, 1257, 1053, 845, 791, 744  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 415.5 (5.6), 512.5 (4.2), 546.5 (3.6), 585.5 (3.7), 639.5 (3.1) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{47}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{Si}_3$  759.3007, found 759.2999.

5,15-Bis(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-10-phenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2b



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1b** (259.1 mg, 400  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 259.4 mg, 77% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.67 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.50 (1H, s), 9.34 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.07 (1H, s), 8.92 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.89 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.84 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.82 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.36-8.26 (2H, m), 7.86-7.75 (3H, m), 7.39 (4H, s), 2.72 (6H, s), 1.96 (6H, s), 1.95 (6H, s), 0.95 (3H, s), 0.31 (18H, s), -2.63 (2H, br s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 148.9 (br), 147.5 (4C, br), 145.6 (3C, br), 142.6, 141.9, 139.6 (2C), 139.5 (2C), 139.4, 138.3 (2C), 137.81, 137.80, 134.6 (2C), 132.0 (2C), 131.3, 130.6, 130.1, 129.4, 127.9 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 127.7, 126.6 (2C), 119.7, 117.7, 117.6, 105.9, 21.7 (4C), 21.5, 21.4, 2.5, 2.0 (6C); IR (KBr) 3313, 2958, 2920, 2858, 1473, 1257, 1057, 845, 795, 748  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 415.5 (5.8), 510.5 (4.4), 542.5 (3.8), 585.0 (3.9), 640.5 (3.4) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $\text{C}_{51}\text{H}_{59}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{Si}_3$  843.3946, found 843.3950.

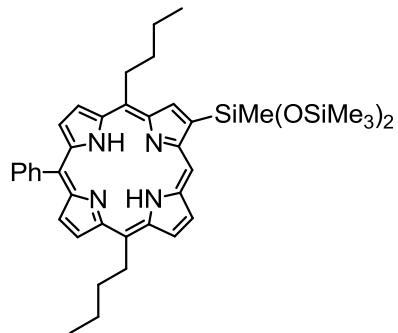
2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-Heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-5,10,15-tris(3,5-di-*tert*-butylphenyl)porphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2c



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1c** (350.1 mg, 400  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 314.6 mg, 72% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.72 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.44 (1H, s), 9.29 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.15 (1H, s), 9.02 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.93 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.87 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.10 (2H, d,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz), 8.08 (2H, d,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz), 8.05 (2H, d,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz), 7.79 (2H, t,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz), 7.77 (1H, t,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz), 1.53 (18H, s), 1.52 (18H, s), 1.50 (18H, s), 0.85 (3H, s), 0.20 (18H, s), -2.87 (2H, br s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 148.9 (2C), 148.7 (2C), 148.5 (2C), 148.0 (4C), 146.3 (4C), 141.7, 141.0 (2C), 140.6, 131.9 (2C), 131.6, 131.3 (2C), 130.5,

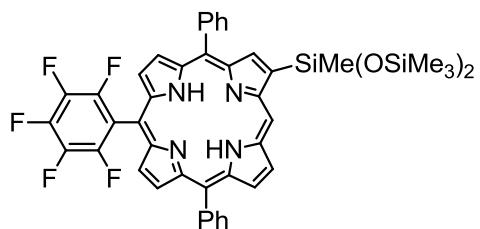
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**5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-Heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-10-phenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2d**



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1d** (199.5 mg, 400  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 224.3 mg, 79% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.80 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.49 (1H, s), 9.88 (1H, s), 9.61 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.50 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.40 Hz), 9.47 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.45 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.95 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.32-8.24 (2H, m), 7.90-7.75 (3H, m), 5.11 (2H, t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 5.00 (2H, t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 2.66 (2H, tt,  $J$  = 8.0, 7.6 Hz), 2.59 (2H, tt,  $J$  = 8.0, 7.6 Hz), 1.94 (2H, tq,  $J$  = 7.6, 7.3 Hz), 1.86 (2H, tq,  $J$  = 7.6, 7.3 Hz), 1.26 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), 1.20 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), 1.10 (3H, s), 0.46 (18H, s), -2.57 (2H, br s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 148.5, 148.2, 147.7, 146.5, 146.2, 146.0, 145.9, 144.4, 143.3, 141.7, 136.9, 134.5 (2C), 132.3, 132.2, 131.5, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.0, 126.5 (2C), 119.2, 119.1, 119.0, 105.6, 40.9, 40.7, 34.8, 34.6, 23.7, 23.6, 14.17, 14.15, 2.6, 2.2 (6C); IR (KBr) 3305, 3128, 3082, 3020, 2958, 2870, 1481, 1254, 1045, 841, 774 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV/vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 415.0 (5.6), 513.5 (4.3), 547.5 (3.8), 589.0 (3.8), 646.5 (3.5) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>55</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub> 719.3633, found 719.3624.

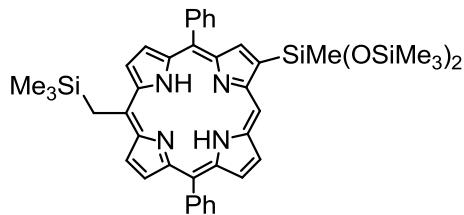
**5,15-Diphenyl-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-10-pentafluorophenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2e**



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1e** (251.4 mg, 400  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 197.2 mg, 58% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.86 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.67 (1H, s), 9.40 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.25 (1H, s), 9.07 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.06 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.05 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.86 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.85 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.34-8.27 (4H, m), 7.87-7.78 (6H, m), 0.93 (3H, s), 0.31 (18H, s), -2.80 (2H, br s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 148.7 (2C), 148.1, 146.9, 146.8 (2C, d,  $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 249.2 Hz), 146.3 (3C), 144.6, 142.4, 142.0 (1C, d,  $J_{\text{CF}}$

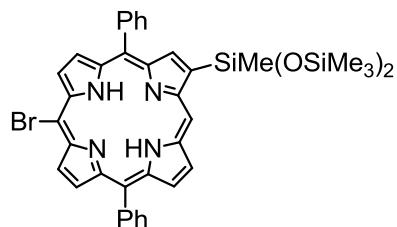
$\delta$  = 255.9 Hz), 141.59, 141.55, 140.4, 137.6 (2C, d,  $J_{CF}$  = 252.1 Hz), 134.8 (2C), 134.7 (2C), 132.7, 132.4, 131.9, 131.8, 129.5, 128.8, 128.0, 127.9, 126.94 (2C), 126.88 (2C), 120.3, 120.1, 117.4, 108.3, 100.5, 2.5, 2.1 (6C);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 376 MHz)  $\delta$ : -136.6 (2F, ddd,  $J_{\text{FF}}$  = 24.5, 8.6, 5.5 Hz), -153.1 (1F, tt,  $J_{\text{FF}}$  = 20.9, 5.5 Hz), -162.46 (2F, ddd,  $J_{\text{FF}}$  = 24.5, 20.9, 8.4 Hz); IR (KBr) 3309, 3059, 2958, 1493, 1257, 1061, 991, 845, 752  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 414.0 (5.5), 509.5 (4.3), 545.0 (3.5), 583.0 (3.8), 637.0 (3.3) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ([M+H] $^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{42}\text{F}_5\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{Si}_3$  849.2536, found 849.2527.

5,15-Diphenyl-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-10-(trimethylsilyl)methylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2f



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1f** (219.5 mg, 400  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 248.3 mg, 81% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.78 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.26 (1H, s), 9.39 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.38 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.20 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.09 (1H, s), 8.91 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.89 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.28-8.21 (4H, m), 7.83-7.74 (6H, m), 4.64 (2H, s), 0.85 (3H, s), 0.26 (18H, s), 0.07 (9H, s), -2.52 (2H, br s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 147.8 (8C), 142.4 (2C), 140.7 (2C), 134.7 (2C), 134.6 (2C), 132.0, 131.3, 130.9, 129.9, 128.9, 128.1, 127.59, 127.57, 126.7 (2C), 126.6 (2C), 121.3, 118.9, 118.8, 104.7, 27.2, 2.4, 2.1 (6C), -0.75 (3C); IR (KBr) 3313, 3059, 2954, 1597, 1477, 1254, 1049, 845, 748  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 419.0 (5.6), 519.0 (4.1), 554.5 (3.9), 593.0 (3.5), 650.5 (3.6) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ([M+H] $^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{53}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{Si}_4$  769.3246, found 769.3253.

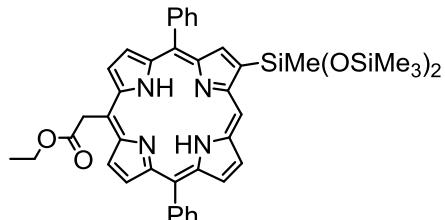
10-Bromo-5,15-diphenyl-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)porphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2g



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1g** (216.6 mg, 400  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 146.2 mg, 48% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.69 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.55 (1H, s), 9.75 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.34 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.20 (1H, s), 9.01 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.00 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.98 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.33-8.21 (4H, m), 7.90-7.76 (6H, m), 0.92 (3H, s), 0.33 (18H, s), -2.77 (2H, br s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 149.1 (br), 148.4 (2C, br), 147.6 (br), 146.6 (2C, br), 145.9 (br), 144.6 (br), 142.1, 141.7, 141.6, 140.6, 134.8 (2C), 134.7 (2C), 132.8, 132.4, 132.2, 132.1 (2C), 131.5, 127.9 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 126.8 (2C), 120.2, 120.0, 107.3, 103.5, 2.5, 2.1 (6C); IR (KBr) 3313, 3051, 2958, 2900, 1477, 1257, 1053, 845, 737  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$

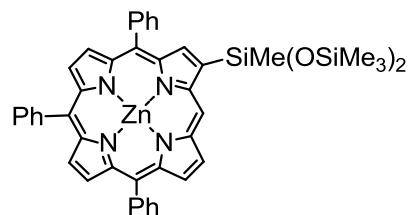
( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 417.5 (5.5), 514.0 (4.2), 547.5 (3.8), 588.0 (3.7), 646.0 (3.5) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>42</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub> 761.1799, found 761.1805.

5,15-Diphenyl-10-(2-ethoxycarbonylethyl)-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)porphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-2h



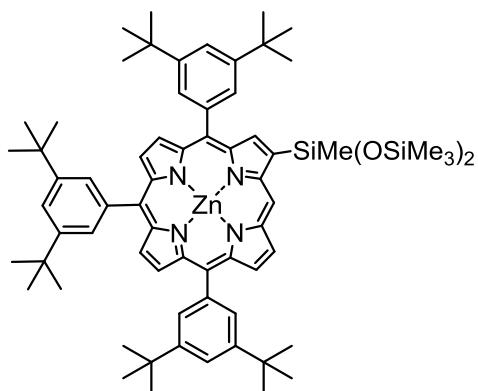
Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1h** (75.4 mg, 137  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 68.6 mg, 65% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.75 (1/1 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.44 (1H, s), 9.57 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.56 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.27 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.12 (1H, s), 9.00 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.00 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.95 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.24-8.22 (4H, m), 7.81-7.75 (6H, m), 6.05 (2H, s), 4.17 (2H, q,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), 1.13 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), 0.83 (3H, s), 0.23 (18H, s), -2.96 (2H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz)  $\delta$ : 172.4, 149.1 (2C, br), 148.1 (3C, br), 145.8 (3C, br), 142.0 (2C), 140.2 (br), 134.7 (2C), 134.6 (2C), 132.2 (br), 132.0 (br), 131.8 (2C, br), 131.2 (br), 128.9 (br), 128.1 (br), 127.8, 127.7, 126.8 (2C), 126.7 (2C), 119.4, 119.2, 110.3, 106.6, 61.3, 41.2, 14.1, 2.4, 2.1 (6C); IR (KBr), 3313, 3058, 2958, 1731, 1257, 1068, 844 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 416.0 (5.9), 512.5 (4.6), 545.5 (3.9), 586.0 (4.1), 642.5 (3.6) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>43</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Si<sub>3</sub> 769.3062, found 769.3069.

[2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-Heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-5,10,15-triphenylporphyrinato]zinc(II) Zn-2a



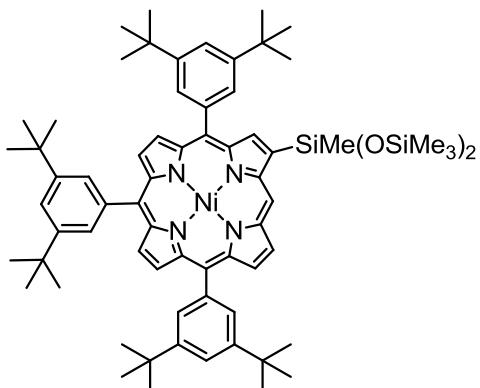
Prepared from porphyrin **Zn-1a** (240.8 mg, 400  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 223.6 mg, 68% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.74 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.55 (1H, s), 9.43 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.33 (1H, s), 9.06 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.97 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.95 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.92 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.91 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.35-8.20 (6H, m), 7.86-7.71 (9H, m), 0.95 (3H, s), 0.32 (18H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz)  $\delta$ : 156.8, 153.9, 153.8, 153.5, 153.43 (2C), 153.37, 153.1, 147.4, 147.2 (2C), 145.2, 145.0, 138.2 (2C), 138.1 (2C), 138.0 (2C), 135.4, 134.9, 134.8 (2C), 134.72, 134.68, 130.6 (3C), 129.8 (2C), 129.74 (2C), 129.66 (2C), 124.3, 123.5, 123.3, 110.5, 5.4, 4.9 (6C); IR (KBr) 3059, 3024, 2958, 1593, 1443, 1257, 1061, 845, 752 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 419.0 (5.7), 547.0 (4.3) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>45</sub>H<sub>44</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub>Zn 820.2064, found 820.2064.

[2-(1,1,1,3,5,5,5-Heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-5,10,15-tris(3,5-di-*tert*-butylphenyl)porphyrinato]-znic (II) Zn-2c



Prepared from porphyrin **Zn-1c** (140 mg, 150  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure using 10 mol% of  $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{OMe}]_2$  and 20 mol% of dtbpy; Red solid; 72.0 mg, 42% yield;  $R_f = 0.78$  (1/5 THF/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.51 (1H, s), 9.39 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.24 (1H, s), 9.13 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.04 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.03 (1H, d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 9.01 (1H, d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 9.00 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 8.10 (2H, d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz), 8.08 (2H, d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz), 8.06 (2H, d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz), 7.80 (1H, t,  $J = 1.8$  Hz), 7.79 (1H, t,  $J = 1.8$  Hz), 7.76 (1H, t,  $J = 1.8$  Hz), 1.53 (18H, s), 1.52 (18H, s), 1.50 (18H, s), 0.85 (3H, s), 0.21 (18H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 153.3, 150.5 (2C), 150.4 (2C), 150.2, 150.0, 149.9, 149.8, 149.7, 148.6 (2C), 148.4 (2C), 148.3 (2H, s), 142.3, 141.9, 141.8, 141.7, 141.6, 132.7, 132.2, 132.0, 131.9, 131.7, 129.7 (2C), 129.6 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 122.7, 121.8, 121.5, 120.9, 120.7, 107.3, 35.1 (2C), 35.0 (4C), 31.8 (6C), 31.7 (6C), 31.6 (6C), 2.6, 2.1 (6C); IR (KBr) 3066, 2958, 2869, 1592, 1253, 1064, 844  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \epsilon$ ) 421.0 (5.5), 548.0 (4.1) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ( $[\text{M}]^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{69}\text{H}_{92}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{Si}_3\text{Zn}$  1156.5820, found 1156.5815.

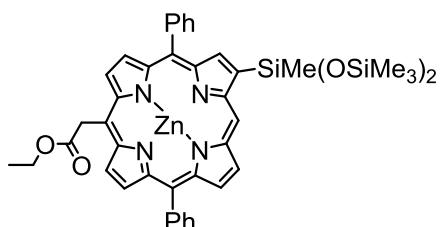
[2-(1,1,1,3,5,5,5-Heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-5,10,15-tris(3,5-di-*tert*-butylphenyl)porphyrinato]nickel(II) Ni-2c



Prepared from porphyrin **Ni-1c** (372.8 mg, 400  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Red solid; 218.0 mg, 54% yield;  $R_f = 0.78$  (1/5 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.08 (1H, s), 9.13 (1H, d,  $J = 4.90$  Hz), 9.06 (1H, s), 8.93 (1H, d,  $J = 4.9$  Hz), 8.87 (1H, d,  $J = 4.9$  Hz), 8.83 (3H, d,  $J = 4.9$  Hz), 7.93 (2H, s), 7.92 (2H, s), 7.90 (2H, s), 7.78 (2H, s), 7.74 (1H, s), 1.52 (36H, s), 1.49

(18H, s), 0.78 (3H, s), 0.22 (18H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 149.1 (2C), 149.0 (3C), 146.2, 143.2, 143.1, 143.0, 142.9, 142.78, 142.75, 142.66, 142.5, 142.1 (2C), 140.4, 140.24, 140.23, 132.5, 132.2 (2C), 132.08, 132.05, 132.0, 128.9 (2C), 128.74 (2C), 128.68 (2C), 121.2, 121.11, 121.08, 120.5, 119.7, 119.5, 105.7, 35.1 (2C), 35.0 (4C), 31.7 (18C), 2.3, 2.1 (6C); IR (KBr) 3066, 2958, 2873, 1593, 1470, 1369, 1254, 1061, 845, 783  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\max}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 414.0 (5.4), 525.5 (4.3) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{69}\text{H}_{93}\text{N}_4\text{NiO}_2\text{Si}_3$  1151.5960, found 1151.5957.

**[5,15-Diphenyl-10-(2-ethoxycarbonylethyl)-2-(1,1,1,3,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)porphyrinato]znic(II) Zn-2h**

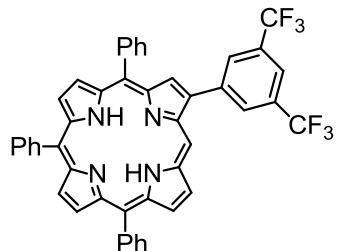


Prepared from porphyrin **Zn-1h** (102.0 mg, 166  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 112.7 mg, 82% yield;  $R_f = 0.63$  (1/1 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.50 (1H, s), 9.55 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.54 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.36 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.21 (1H, s), 9.07 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.05 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 9.03 (1H, d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 8.22-8.21 (4H, m), 7.81-7.74 (6H, m), 5.97 (2H, s), 4.15 (2H, q,  $J = 7.0$  Hz), 1.17 (3H, t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz), 0.83 (3H, s), 0.23 (18H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 MHz)  $\delta$ : 172.9, 153.5, 150.3, 150.2, 150.1, 150.0, 149.9, 149.8, 149.7, 142.7, 142.6, 142.4, 142.0, 134.6 (2C), 134.5 (2C), 132.7, 132.6, 132.5, 132.0, 129.1, 129.0, 127.5, 127.4, 126.6 (2C), 126.5 (2C), 120.4, 120.2, 111.0, 107.8, 61.2, 41.0, 14.2, 2.6, 2.1 (6C); IR (KBr) 3058, 3023, 2958, 1689, 1257, 1052, 1006, 844  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\max}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 420.5 (5.6), 550.5 (4.2) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ( $[\text{M}]^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{46}\text{N}_4\text{O}_4\text{Si}_3\text{Zn}$  830.2118, found 830.2116.

### Preparation of $\beta$ -Arylporphyrins 3

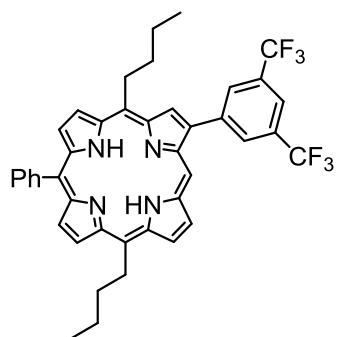
An oven-dried 50 mL two-necked flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar and rubber septum was charged with  $\beta$ -silylporphyrin **2** (100  $\mu\text{mol}$ ),  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$  (5.8 mg, 5  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 5 mol%), and  $\text{KO}'\text{Bu}$  (112.2 mg, 1 mmol, 10 equiv.). The reaction vessel was evacuated and flushed with argon (three times), and then 1-iodo-3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene (177  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1 mmol, 10 equiv.) and dry THF (25 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred at 65 °C for 6-10 h, having been monitored by TLC (3/1 hexane/AcOEt). The reaction solution was diluted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (50 mL) and washed with water and brine. The organic layer was dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated in vacuo. Column chromatography on silica gel (1/10 AcOEt/hexane) followed by recrystallization from MeOH/ $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  gave the pure product **3**.

2-[3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5,10,15-triphenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-3a



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** (75.9 mg, 100  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 46.6 mg, 62% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.65 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.12 (1H, s), 9.38 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz), 9.11 (1H, s), 9.09 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz), 8.99 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz), 8.97 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz), 8.91 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz), 8.88 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz), 8.76 (2H, s), 8.37-8.21 (7H, m), 7.91-7.71 (9H, m), -2.77 (2H, br s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 151.5 (br), 150.7 (br), 148.5 (br), 146.7 (br), 143.5 (br), 143.4 (br), 143.2, 142.9 (br), 142.4, 142.3 (br), 141.7 (2C), 139.2, 134.70 (2C), 134.68 (2C), 134.5 (2C), 133.3, 132.7, 132.4 (2C, q,  $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.2 Hz), 132.2, 131.2 (2C), 130.3 (2C), 130.2, 129.7, 128.0, 127.9 (2C), 127.0 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 126.7 (2C), 123.7 (2C, q,  $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 272.9 Hz), 121.4 (br), 121.1, 120.21, 120.18, 103.1;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 376 MHz)  $\delta$ : -63.34 (6F, s); IR (KBr) 3317, 3055, 2924, 2854, 1597, 1481, 1377, 1277, 1176, 1134, 980, 798, 737  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 418.0 (5.6), 512.5 (4.3), 545.5 (3.5), 587.5 (3.7), 642.0 (3.1) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{29}\text{F}_6\text{N}_4$  751.2296 , found 751.2297.

2-[3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-10-phenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-3d



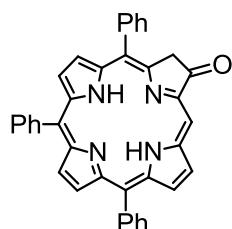
Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** (78.0 mg, 108  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 64.8 mg, 84% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.62 (toluene);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 9.89 (1H, s), 9.57 (1H, s), 9.54 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 9.46 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.39 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.33 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.92 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.83 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.75 (2H, s), 8.22 (1H, s), 8.19-8.17 (2H, m), 7.80-7.73 (3H, m), 4.97 (2H, t,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 4.95 (2H, t,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 2.57-2.49 (2H, m), 2.53-2.45 (2H, m), 1.86-1.80 (2H, m), 1.83-1.76 (2H, m), 1.12 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), 1.11 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), -2.76 (2H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 151.8, 149.5, 148.7, 145.4, 143.9, 143.6, 143.5, 142.9 (2C), 141.9, 141.4, 139.5, 134.4 (2C), 133.8, 132.4 (2C, q,  $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.4 Hz), 131.2 (2C, q,  $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 7.0 Hz), 130.7, 130.6, 129.2, 129.0, 127.8, 126.9, 126.5 (2C), 126.2, 125.1, 122.4, 121.4-121.3 (1C, m), 119.9, 119.8, 102.1, 40.8, 40.7, 34.8, 34.7, 23.7, 23.6, 14.2, 14.1;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 376 MHz)  $\delta$ : -62.8 (6F, s); IR (KBr) 3289, 3085, 2958, 2931, 2865, 1276, 1130, 790  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$

( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 419.5 (5.6), 515.5 (4.3), 550.0 (3.8), 592.0 (3.8), 648.0 (3.7) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>37</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>4</sub> 711.2922, found 711.2919.

### Preparation of $\beta$ -Oxyporphyrins 4

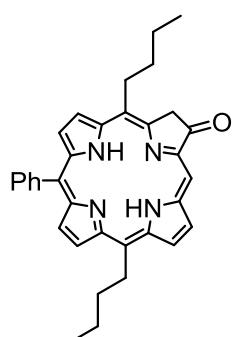
To a solution of  $\beta$ -silylporphyrin **2** (100  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) in a mixture of THF/acetone/H<sub>2</sub>O (4 ml, 10/2/1, v/v), Oxone® (368.8 mg, 600  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 6 equiv.) was added and stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. The reaction was quenched with aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude material was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (1/1 hexane/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) to give **4** as a brown-purple solid.

#### 5,10,15-triphenylporphin-2(3*H*)-one **H<sub>2</sub>-4a**



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** (75.9 mg, 100  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Brown-purple solid; 49.2 mg, 89% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.36 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 9.70 (1H, s), 9.04 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.84 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.75 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.62 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.56 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.53 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz), 8.20-8.08 (4H, m), 7.98-7.87 (2H, m), 7.83-7.63 (9H, m), 4.63 (2H, s), -2.15 (1H, s), -2.33 (1H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 204.6, 157.1, 154.6, 154.1, 149.6, 142.2, 141.4, 141.3, 140.2, 137.8, 136.8 (2C), 134.2 (2C), 134.1 (2C), 133.7, 133.6, 132.8 (2C), 129.0, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 126.7 (2C), 126.2, 125.7, 123.2, 122.4, 113.3, 95.4, 45.5; IR (KBr) 3332, 3059, 2924, 2854, 1724, 1369, 1169, 968, 795, 710 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 417.5 (5.4), 518.0 (5.1), 553.5 (4.0), 591.0 (3.8), 646.0 (4.0) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O 555.2185, found 555.2184.

#### 5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-10-phenylporphin-2(3*H*)-one **H<sub>2</sub>-4d**



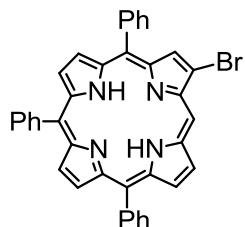
Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** (72.0 mg, 100  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Brown-purple solid; 45.0 mg, 87% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.45 (1/1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500

MHz) δ: 9.54 (1H, s), 9.35 (1H, d, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 9.20 (1H, d, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 9.07 (1H, d, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 8.99 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.8 Hz), 8.75 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.8 Hz), 8.58 (1H, d, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 8.13-8.12 (2H, m), 7.77-7.72 (3H, m), 4.78 (2H, t, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 4.65 (2H, s), 4.05 (2H, t, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 2.47-2.40 (2H, m), 2.15-2.09 (2H, m), 1.79-1.76 (2H, m), 1.72-1.68 (2H, m), 1.10 (3H, t, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 1.07 (3H, t, *J* = 7.3 Hz), -2.16 (1H, s), -2.58 (1H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ: 204.6, 156.8, 154.3, 153.2, 148.5, 142.6, 140.0, 136.9, 136.7, 135.7, 134.2, 134.0 (2C), 130.1, 129.4, 127.8, 126.6 (2C), 126.4, 124.9, 123.1, 122.6, 121.2, 111.7, 94.5, 43.5, 40.3, 37.9, 34.6, 34.0, 23.6, 23.5, 14.2, 14.1; IR (KBr) 3309, 3054, 2954, 2868, 1720, 1380, 971, 844, 786 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) 415.0 (5.2), 429.0 (5.1), 524.0 (4.0), 558.5 (3.9), 594.5 (3.8), 650.0 (3.9) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O 515.2811, found 515.2807.

### Preparation of β-Bromoporphyrins 5

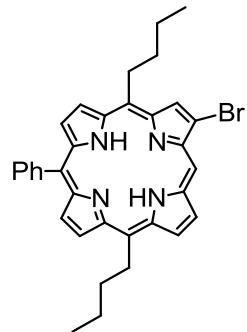
To a solution of silylpophyrin **2** (100 μmol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) was added a solution of NBS (19.6 mg, 110 μmol, 1.1 equiv) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min and quenched with acetone (1 mL). The solvent was evaporated to dryness. Column chromatography on silica gel (1/4 toluene/hexane) followed by recrystallization from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexane gave the pure compound **5**.

#### 2-Bromo-5,10,15-triphenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-5a



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** (75.9 mg, 100 μmol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 56.8 mg, 92% yield; *R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.55 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ: 10.37 (1H, s), 9.42 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 9.06 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 8.94 (1H, s), 8.93 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 8.91 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 8.80 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 8.77 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 8.27-8.15 (6H, m), 7.83-7.68 (9H, m), -2.89 (2H, br s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ: 154.2, 153.4, 151.6, 148.8, 142.5, 141.7, 141.5, 140.7, 140.3, 139.9, 139.5, 134.7 (2C), 134.6 (2C), 134.5 (2C), 134.3, 134.0, 133.6, 129.1 (2C), 129.0, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9 (2C), 127.0 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 126.6 (2C), 123.4, 121.2, 120.2, 119.6, 102.4; IR (KBr) 3313, 3132, 3089, 3028, 1593, 1481, 1396, 1173, 1057, 972, 795, 741 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) 416.5 (5.6), 512.0 (4.3), 545.5 (3.6), 585.5 (3.8), 640.0 (3.5) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>26</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>Br 617.1341, found 617.1343.

### 2-Bromo-5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-10-phenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-5d

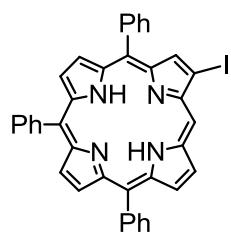


Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** (143.8 mg, 200  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 109.0 mg, 94% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.76 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.11 (1H, s), 9.39 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.38 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.33 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.30 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.88 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.79 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.19 (2H, d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz), 7.82 (1H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), 7.75 (2H, dd,  $J$  = 7.3, 6.8 Hz), 4.80 (2H, t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 4.70 (2H, t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 2.47 (2H, tt,  $J$  = 8.0, 7.7 Hz), 2.44 (2H, tt,  $J$  = 8.0, 7.7 Hz), 1.78 (2H, tq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.3 Hz), 1.76 (2H, tq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.3 Hz), 1.14 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), 1.12 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), -2.91 (2H, br s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 154.5, 152.1, 151.7, 147.32, 142.99, 140.8, 140.3, 138.9, 138.4, 134.8, 134.4 (2C), 130.9, 130.1, 129.3, 129.2, 127.7, 126.5, 125.6 (2C), 124.9, 123.8, 119.8, 119.6, 119.1, 101.2, 40.6, 40.5, 34.54, 34.49, 23.6 (2C), 14.1 (2C); IR (KBr) 3305, 3124, 3197, 2954, 2924, 2858, 1477, 1300, 1057, 1026, 980, 922, 791, 733 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 417.0 (5.6), 514.5 (4.3), 547.5 (3.7), 588.5 (3.8), 645.5 (3.7) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>34</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub> 577.1967, found 577.1965.

### **Preparation of $\beta$ -Iodoporphyrins 6**

To a solution of silylpophyrin **2** (100  $\mu$ mol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) was added a mixed solution of [bis(trifluoroacetoly)iodo]-benzene (64.5 mg, 150  $\mu$ mol, 1.5 equiv) and Iodine (19 mg, 150  $\mu$ mol, 1.5 equiv) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h and quenched with acetone (1 mL). The reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and washed with aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, water and brine. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated in vacuo. Column chromatography on silica gel (1/4 toluene/hexane) followed by recrystallization from MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> gave the pure compound **6**.

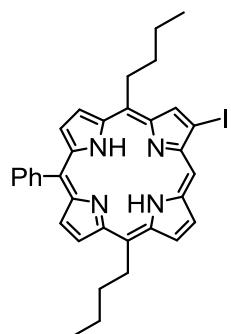
### 2-Iodo-5,10,15-triphenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-6a



Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** (75.9 mg, 100  $\mu$ mol) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 55.4 mg, 83% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.53 (1/5 AcOEt/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.30 (1H, s),

9.43 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 9.17 (1H, s), 9.07 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.96 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.94 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.83 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.80 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.9 Hz), 8.33-8.14 (6H, m), 7.88-7.66 (9H, m), -2.85 (2H, br s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 154.0, 153.3 (2C), 150.8, 142.5, 141.7, 141.51 (2C), 141.49, 141.0, 140.4, 140.2, 139.8, 134.69 (2C), 134.65 (2C), 134.5 (2C), 134.2, 133.5, 129.23, 129.20, 129.1, 128.7, 128.0, 127.9 (2C), 127.0 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 126.6 (2C), 121.1, 120.1, 119.3, 104.8; IR (KBr) 3302, 3059, 3020, 1593, 1481, 972, 795, 752  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 418.0 (5.8), 513.0 (4.5), 546.5 (3.8), 585.5 (4.0), 640.5 (3.7) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{26}\text{IN}_4$  665.1202 , found 665.1201.

### 2-Iodo-5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-10-phenylporphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-6d**

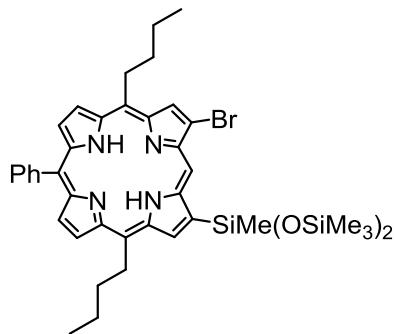


Prepared from porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** (74.0 mg, 102  $\mu\text{mol}$ ) following the general procedure; Purple solid; 41.4 mg, 65% yield;  $R_f$  = 0.58 (1/2 THF/hexane);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.09 (1H, s), 9.65 (1H, s), 9.50 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.40 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.32 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.89 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.77 (1H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.16 (2H, d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz), 7.79-7.71 (3H, m), 4.89 (2H, t,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 4.83 (2H, t,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 2.52-2.44 (2H, m), 2.50-2.42 (2H, m), 1.81-1.77 (2H, m), 1.80-1.75 (2H, m), 1.12 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), 1.11 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), -2.86 (2H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 154.8, 154.0, 152.4, 149.9, 143.2, 143.1, 141.1, 140.5, 139.2, 138.8, 135.1, 134.7 (2C), 130.5, 129.7, 129.6, 128.0, 126.8 (2C), 126.0, 125.4, 120.1, 120.0, 119.2, 104.0, 95.8, 41.1, 41.0 (0H, s), 34.9, 34.8, 23.9, 23.8, 14.5 (2C); IR (KBr) 3305, 3120, 3050, 2954, 2927, 2861, 1481, 979, 790, 732  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV-vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 420.0 (5.5), 516.5 (4.2), 592.0 (3.7), 647.5 (3.5) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{34}\text{IN}_4$  625.1812 , found 625.1820.

### **Preparation of $\beta$ -Bromo- $\beta$ -silylporphyrins 7**

An oven-dried 50 mL two-necked flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar and rubber septum was charged with porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-5d** (87 mg, 150  $\mu\text{mol}$ ),  $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{OMe}]_2$  (10 mg, 15  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 10 mol%), and dtbpy (8.1 mg, 30  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 20 mol%). The reaction vessel was evacuated and flushed with argon (three times), and then 1,1,1,3,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxane (205  $\mu\text{L}$ , 750  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 5 equiv.) and dry dioxane (1 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred at 95 °C for 24 h, having been monitored by TLC (1/2  $\text{CHCl}_3$ /hexane). The solvent was evaporated to dryness. Column chromatography on silica gel (1/10 AcOEt/hexane) followed by recrystallization from MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> gave the pure product **H<sub>2</sub>-7d**.

**2-Bromo-5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-18-(1,1,1,3,5,5,5-heptamethyltrisiloxan-3-yl)-10-phenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-7d**

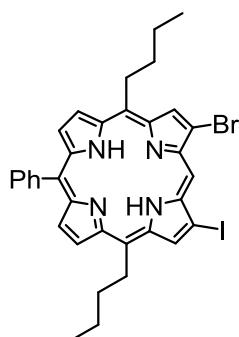


Purple solid; 100.7 mg, 84% yield;  $R_f = 0.50$  (1/2 CHCl<sub>3</sub>/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz)  $\delta$ : 10.46 (1H, s), 9.76 (1H, s), 9.49 (1H, s), 9.42 (1H, d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 9.36 (1H, d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 8.89 (1H, d,  $J = 4.9$  Hz), 8.77 (1H, d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 8.17-8.15 (2H, m), 7.74 (3H, dd,  $J = 14.4, 5.2$  Hz), 4.98 (2H, t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 4.86 (2H, t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 2.57-2.47 (2H, m), 2.52-2.42 (2H, m), 1.88-1.79 (2H, m), 1.83-1.73 (2H, m), 1.14 (3H, t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz), 1.11 (3H, t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz), 1.03 (3H, s), 0.28 (18H, s), -2.79 (2H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$ : 155.2, 152.8, 152.6, 148.1, 143.1, 141.8, 140.2, 140.1, 140.0, 138.6, 135.2, 134.6 (2C), 134.5, 131.4, 130.6, 129.3, 127.9, 126.7 (2C), 125.1, 124.7, 120.0, 119.7, 119.2, 103.1, 41.1, 40.9, 35.0, 34.9, 23.9, 23.8, 14.4 (2C), 2.8, 2.4 (6C); IR (KBr) 3295, 3082, 3055, 2956, 2855, 1471, 1253, 1068, 919, 842, 790 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 419.5 (5.5), 517.5 (4.2), 554.0 (3.5), 590.0 (3.7), 647.0 (3.5) nm; HRMS-FAB<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>54</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub> 797.2738, found 797.2744.

**Preparation of  $\beta$ -Bromo- $\beta$ -Iodoporphyrins H<sub>2</sub>-8d**

To a solution of silylpophyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-7d** (101 mg, 126  $\mu$ mol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) was added a mixed solution of [bis(trifluoroacetyl)iodo]-benzene (135 mg, 315  $\mu$ mol, 2.5 equiv.) and Iodine (40 mg, 315  $\mu$ mol, 2.5 equiv.) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h and quenched with acetone (1 mL). The reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and washed with aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and brine. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated in vacuo. Column chromatography on silica gel (1/7 THF/hexane) followed by recrystallization from MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> gave the pure compound **H<sub>2</sub>-8d**.

**2-Bromo-5,15-di(*n*-butyl)-18-iodo-10-phenylporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>-8d**

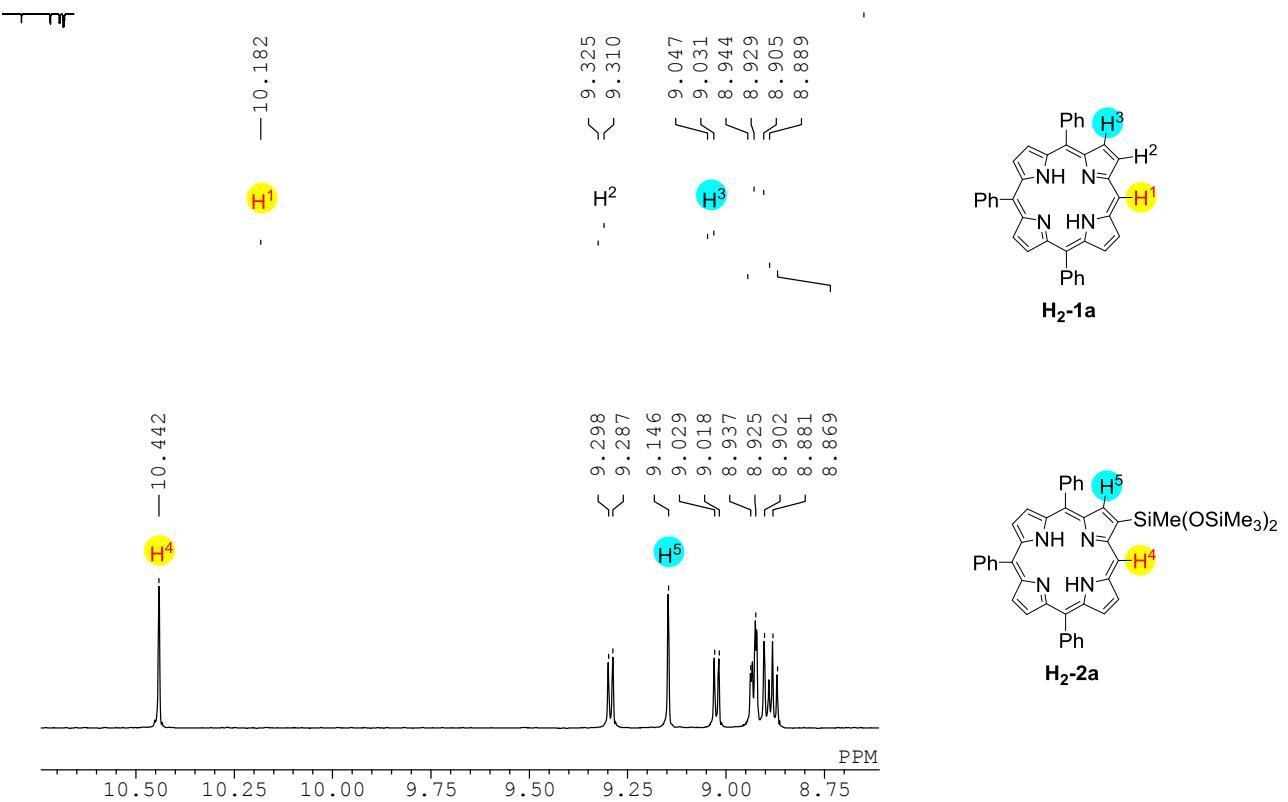


Purple solid; 67.4 mg, 76% yield;  $R_f = 0.76$  (1/2 THF/hexane); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$ :

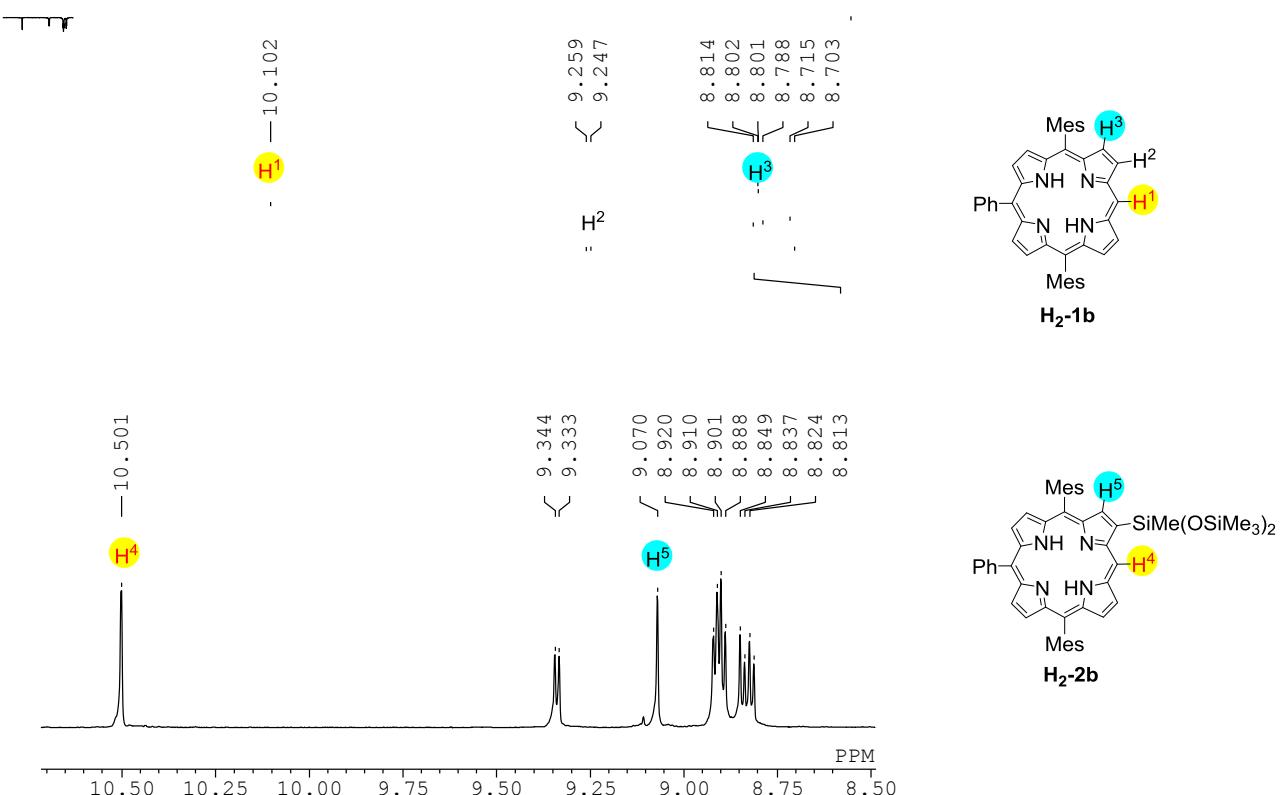
10.11 (1H, s), 9.58 (1H, s), 9.36 (1H, s), 9.28 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 9.27 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.79 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.78 (2H, d,  $J$  = 4.6 Hz), 8.15-8.13 (2H, m), 7.79 (1H, tt,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.7 Hz), 7.75-7.72 (2H, m), 4.72 (2H, t,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 4.69 (2H, t,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 2.43-2.40 (2H, m), 2.40-2.37 (2H, m), 1.78-1.76 (2H, m), 1.75-1.73 (2H, m), 1.10 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), 1.09 (3H, t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz), -2.95 (2H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 MHz)  $\delta$ : 147.9, 147.2, 146.8, 146.2, 145.9, 145.3, 143.3, 142.6, 141.9, 135.9, 134.3 (2C), 132.5, 132.1, 128.8, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 126.5 (2C), 122.0, 120.3, 119.5, 119.2, 101.7, 92.9, 40.7, 40.6, 34.5, 29.7, 23.6, 23.5, 14.1 (2C); IR (KBr) 3293, 3050, 2954, 2923, 2861, 1473, 1442, 1014, 790  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV/vis ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ )  $\lambda_{\max}$  ( $\log \varepsilon$ ) 422.0 (5.7), 518.5 (4.5), 552.5 (3.8), 594.5 (4.0), 650.5 (3.7) nm; HRMS-FAB $^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{33}\text{BrIN}_4$  703.0933, found 703.0931.

**Table S1. Comparison of  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrins **2** with the starting *meso*-unsubstituted porphyrins **1**.**

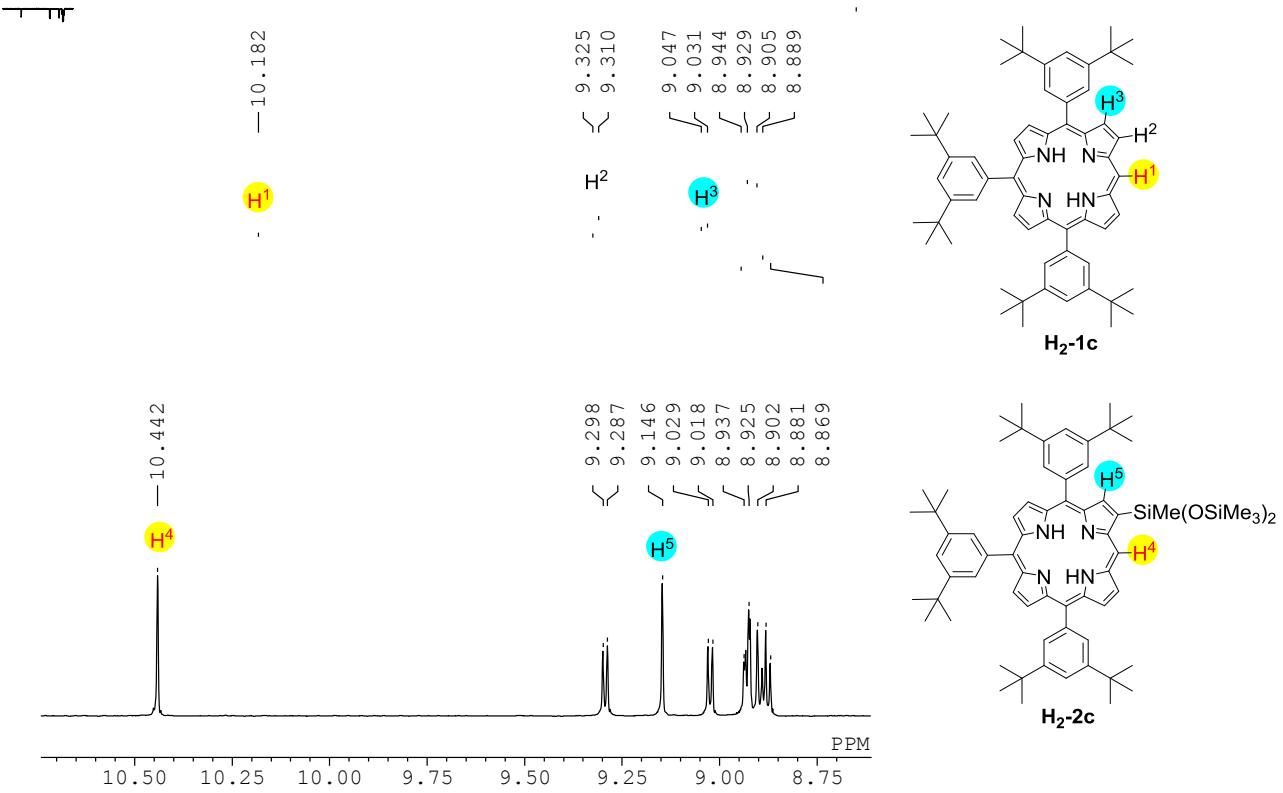
$\text{R}^1$	$\text{R}^2$	<b>1</b>	$\delta$ ( <i>meso</i> -H <sup>1</sup> )	$\delta$ ( $\beta$ -H <sup>2</sup> )	$\delta$ ( $\beta$ -H <sup>3</sup> )	<b>2</b>	$\delta$ ( <i>meso</i> -H <sup>4</sup> )	$\delta$ ( $\beta$ -H <sup>5</sup> )	$\Delta\delta$ ( <b>2-1</b> )	
									$\Delta\delta_{meso} = \delta_{\text{H}}^4 - \delta_{\text{H}}^1$	$\Delta\delta_\beta = \delta_{\text{H}}^5 - \delta_{\text{H}}^3$
Ph	Ph	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1a</b>	10.21 (s)	9.31 (d)	9.01 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2a</b>	10.56 (s)	9.24 (s)	0.35	0.23
2,4,6-Me <sub>3</sub> Ph	Ph	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1b</b>	10.10 (s)	9.25 (d)	8.81 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2b</b>	10.50 (s)	9.07 (s)	0.40	0.26
3,5-( <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	3,5-( <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1c</b>	10.18 (s)	9.32 (d)	9.04 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2c</b>	10.44 (s)	9.15 (s)	0.26	0.11
<i>n</i> -Bu	Ph	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1d</b>	10.05 (s)	9.53 (d)	9.42 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2d</b>	10.49 (s)	9.88 (s)	0.44	0.46
Ph	C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1e</b>	10.28 (s)	9.34 (d)	9.01 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2e</b>	10.67 (s)	9.25 (s)	0.39	0.24
Ph	CH <sub>2</sub> SiMe <sub>3</sub>	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1f</b>	9.94 (s)	9.18 (d)	8.92 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2f</b>	10.26 (s)	9.10 (s)	0.32	0.18
Ph	Br	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1g</b>	10.16 (s)	9.27 (d)	8.94 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2g</b>	10.55 (s)	9.20 (s)	0.39	0.26
Ph	CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-1h</b>	10.14 (s)	9.26 (d)	8.96 (d)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>-2h</b>	10.44 (s)	9.12 (s)	0.30	0.16
Ph	Ph	<b>Zn-1a</b>	10.23 (s)	9.38 (d)	9.08 (d)	<b>Zn-2a</b>	10.55 (s)	9.33 (s)	0.32	0.25
3,5-( <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	3,5-( <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	<b>Zn-1c</b>	10.25 (s)	9.39 (d)	9.12 (d)	<b>Zn-2c</b>	10.51 (s)	9.21 (s)	0.26	0.09
3,5-( <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	3,5-( <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	<b>Ni-1c</b>	9.81 (s)	9.12 (d)	8.91 (d)	<b>Ni-2c</b>	10.08 (s)	9.06 (s)	0.27	0.15
Ph	CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	<b>Zn-1h</b>	10.12 (s)	9.29 (d)	9.01 (d)	<b>Zn-2h</b>	10.50 (s)	9.21 (s)	0.38	0.20



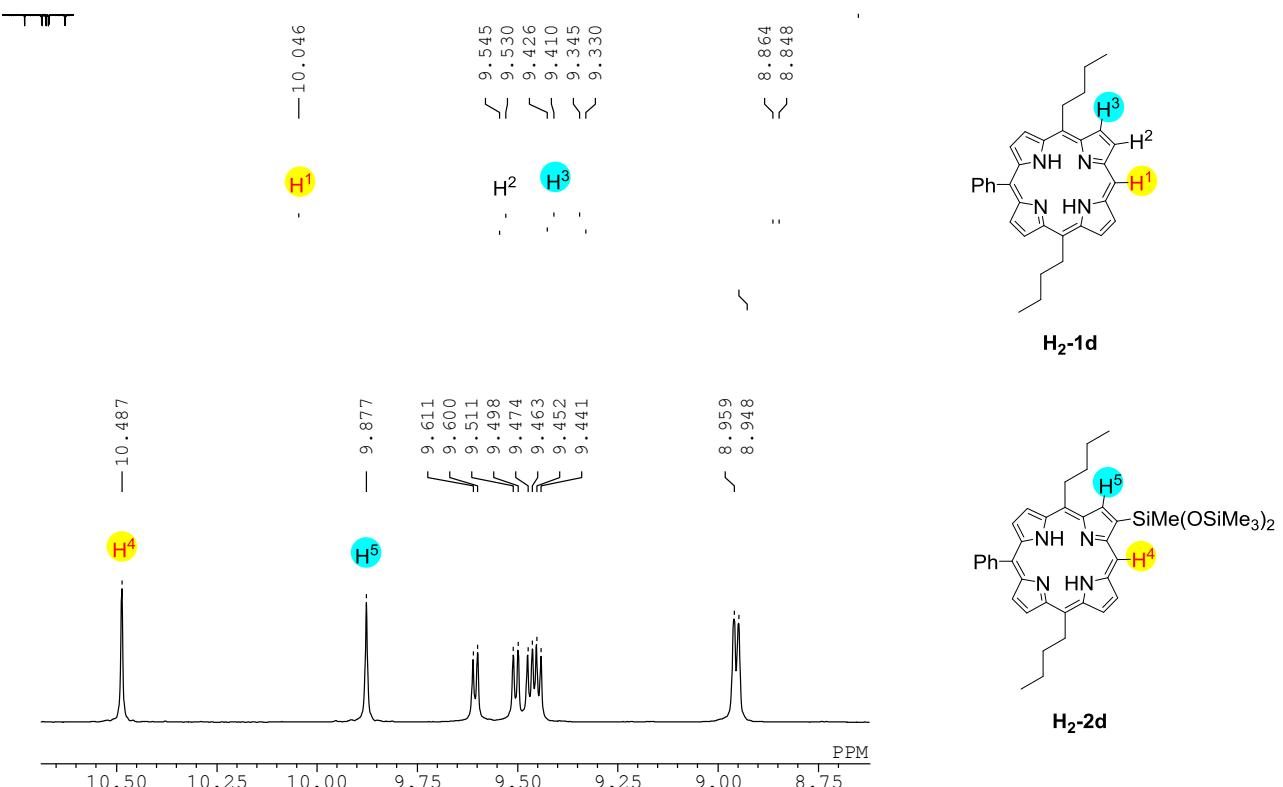
**Fig. S1** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1a** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



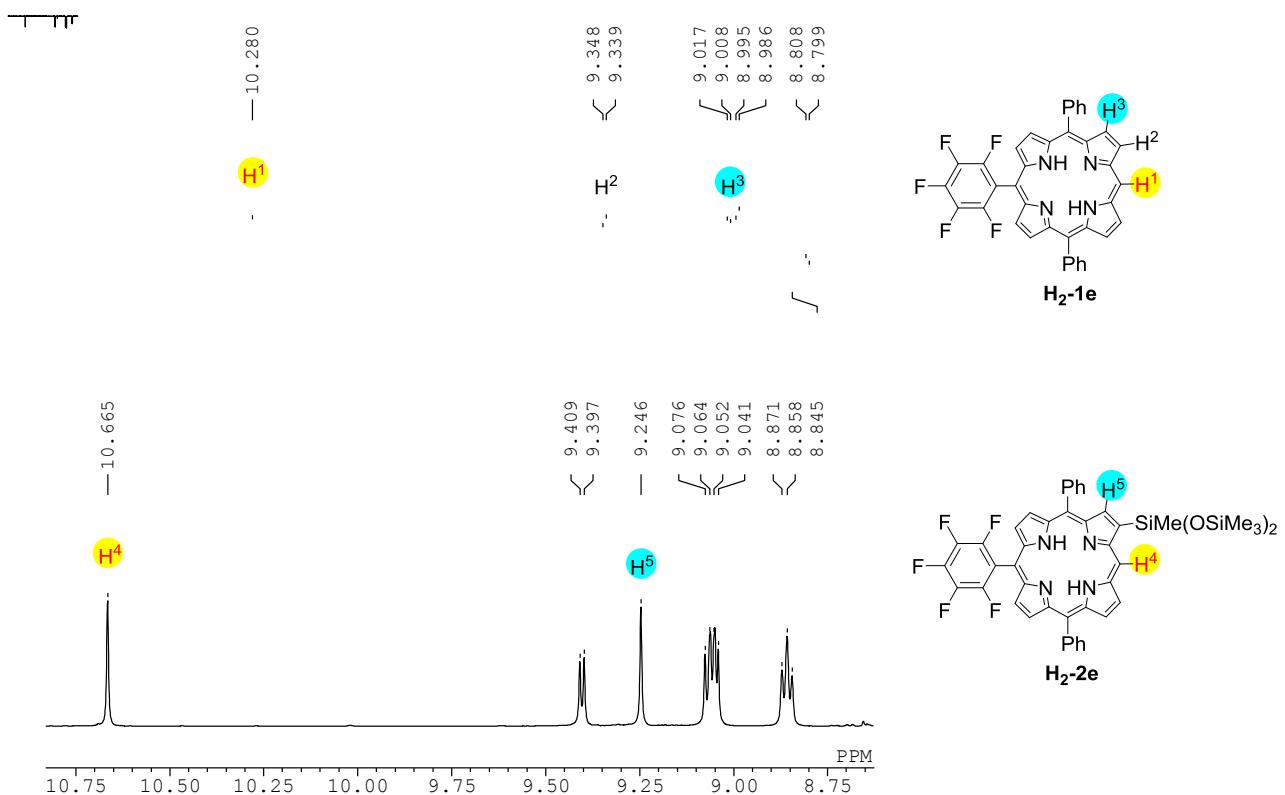
**Fig. S2** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2b** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1b** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



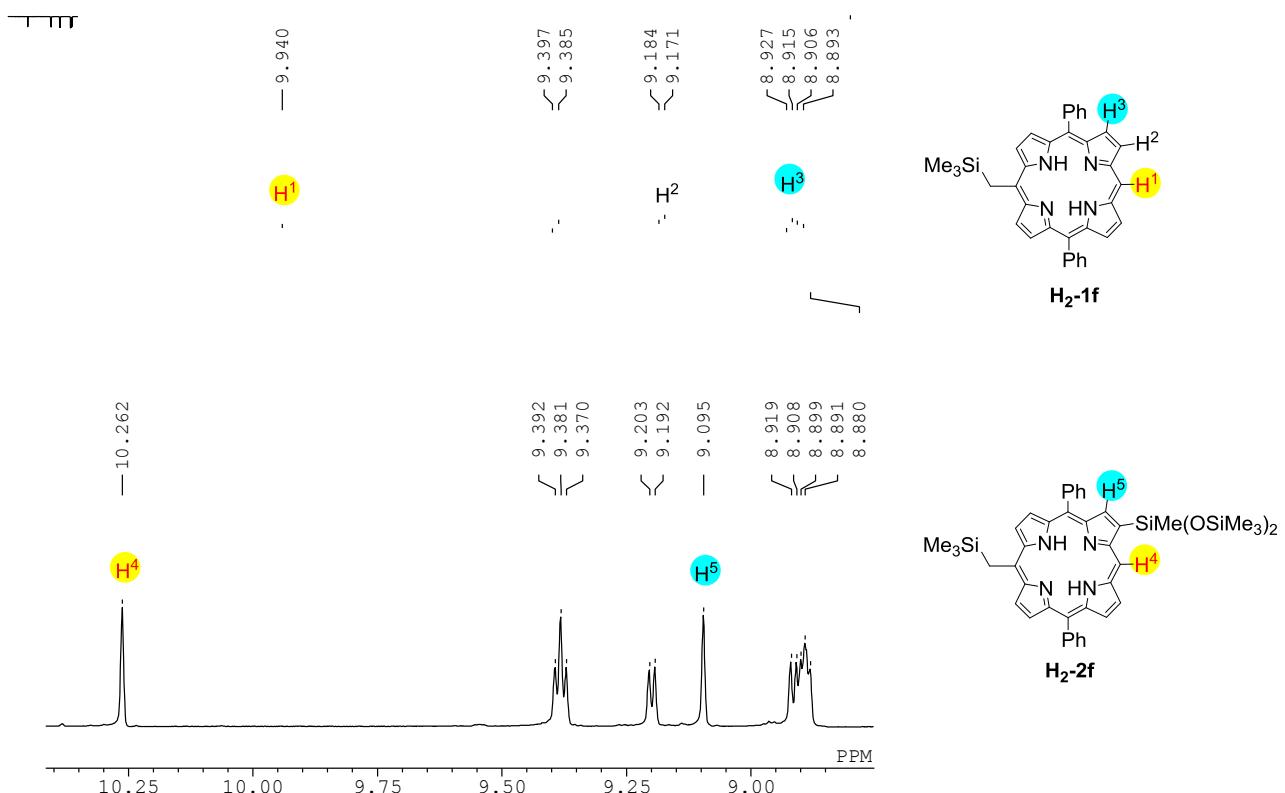
**Fig. S3** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2c** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1c** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



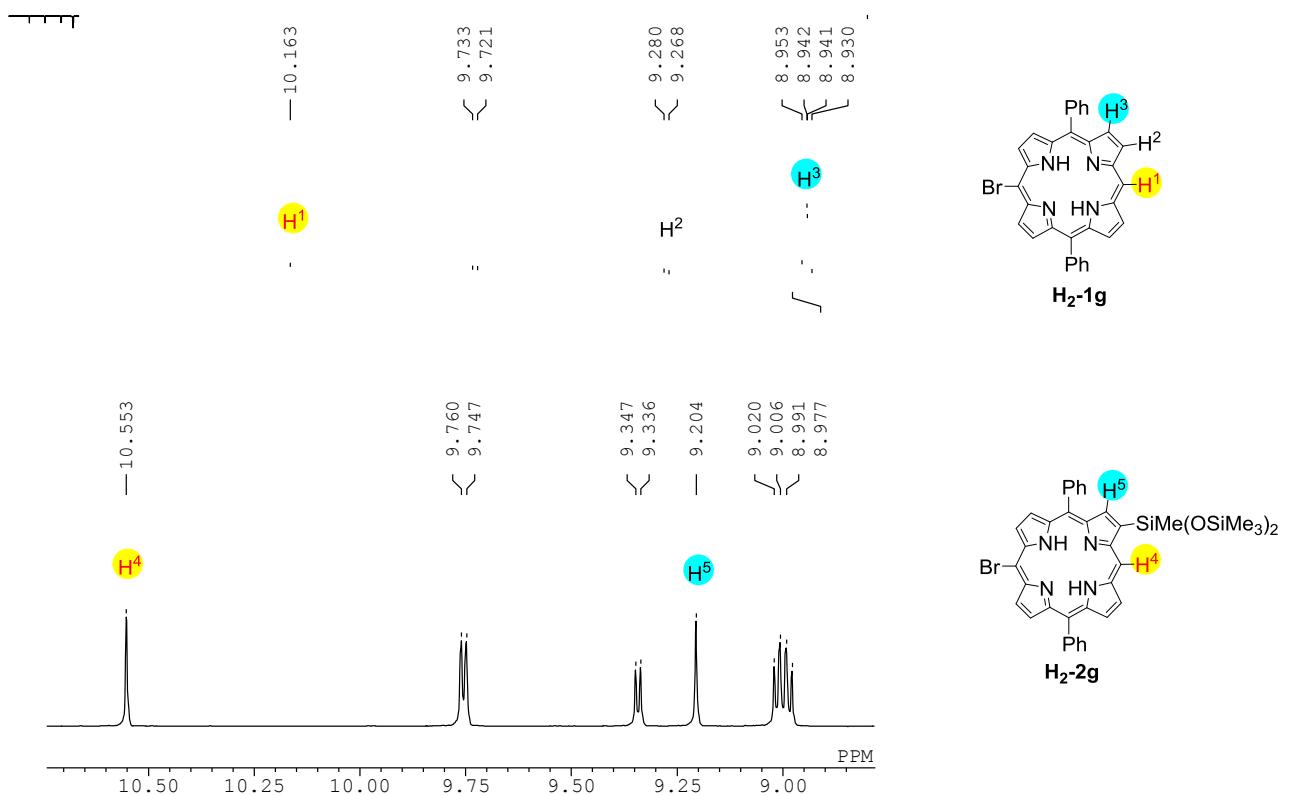
**Fig. S4** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1d** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



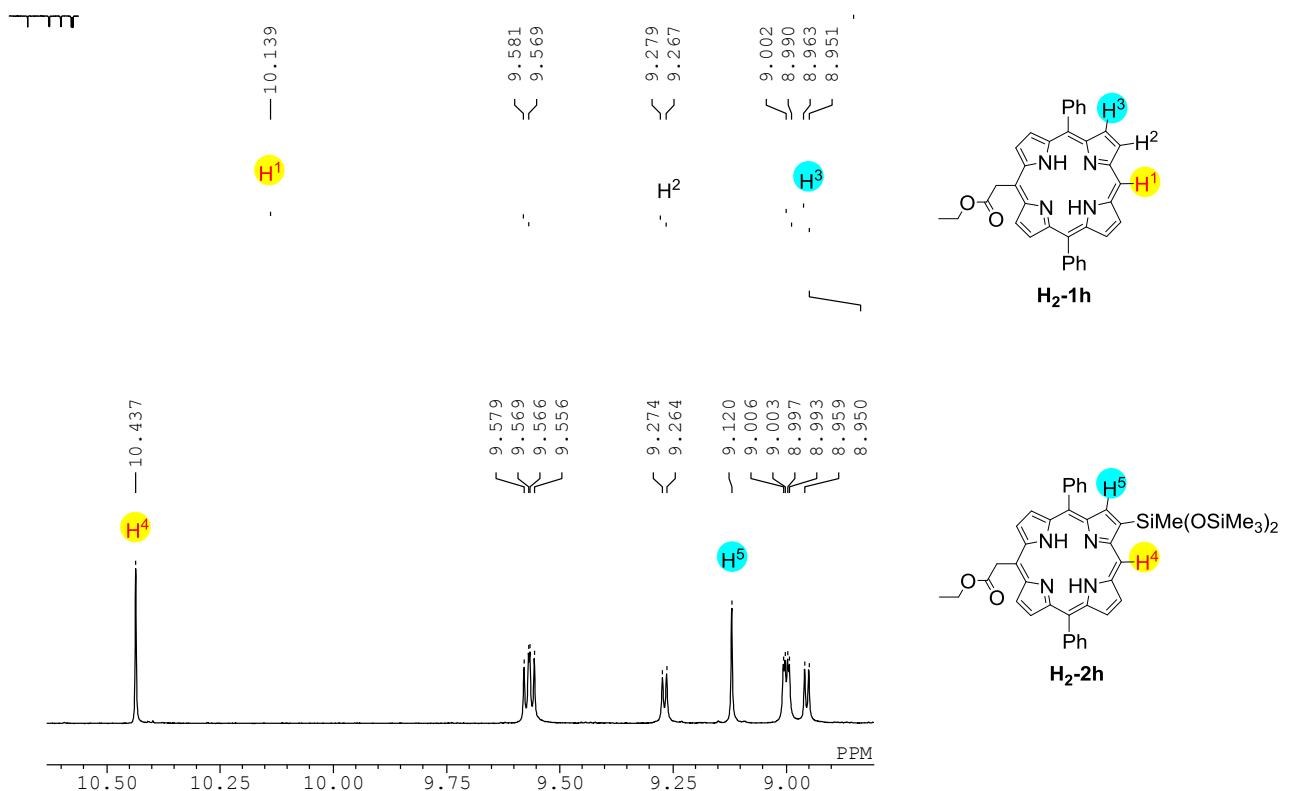
**Fig. S5** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2e** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1e** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



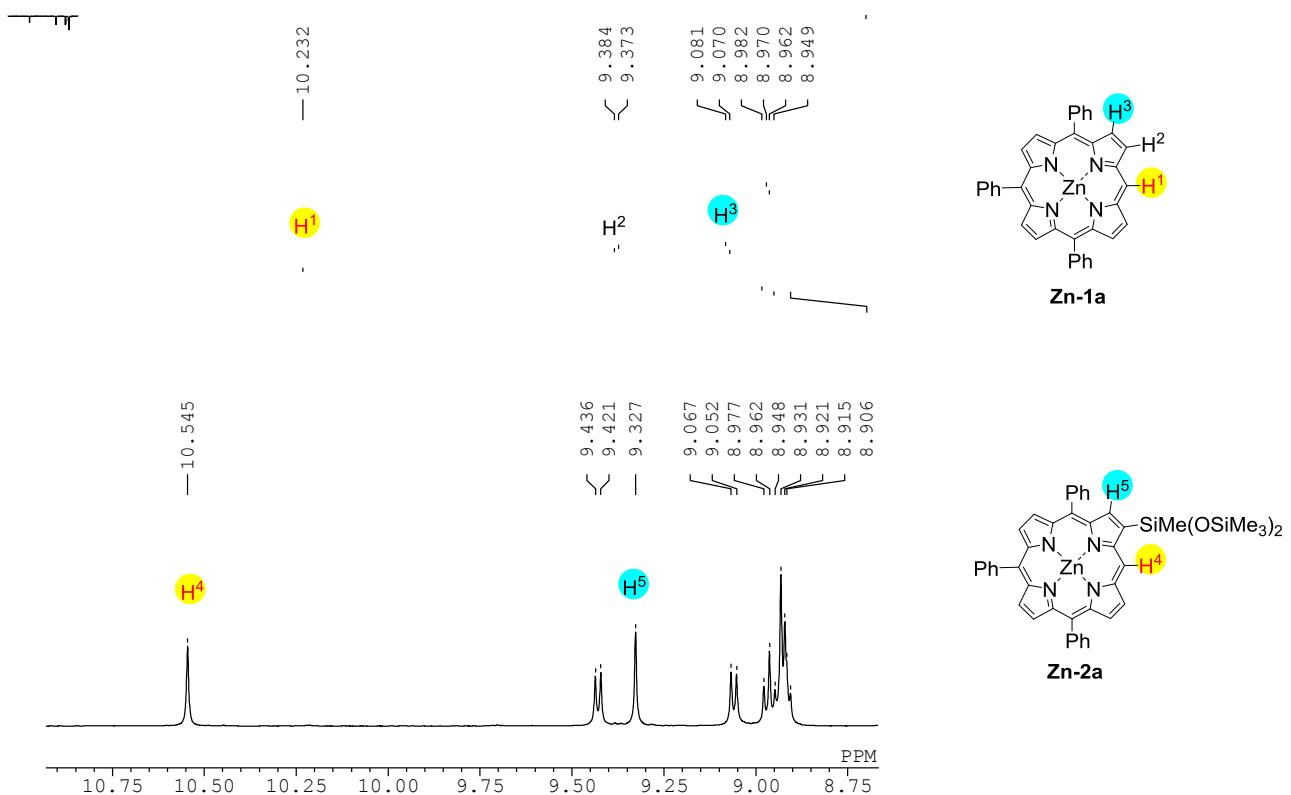
**Fig. S6** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2f** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1f** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



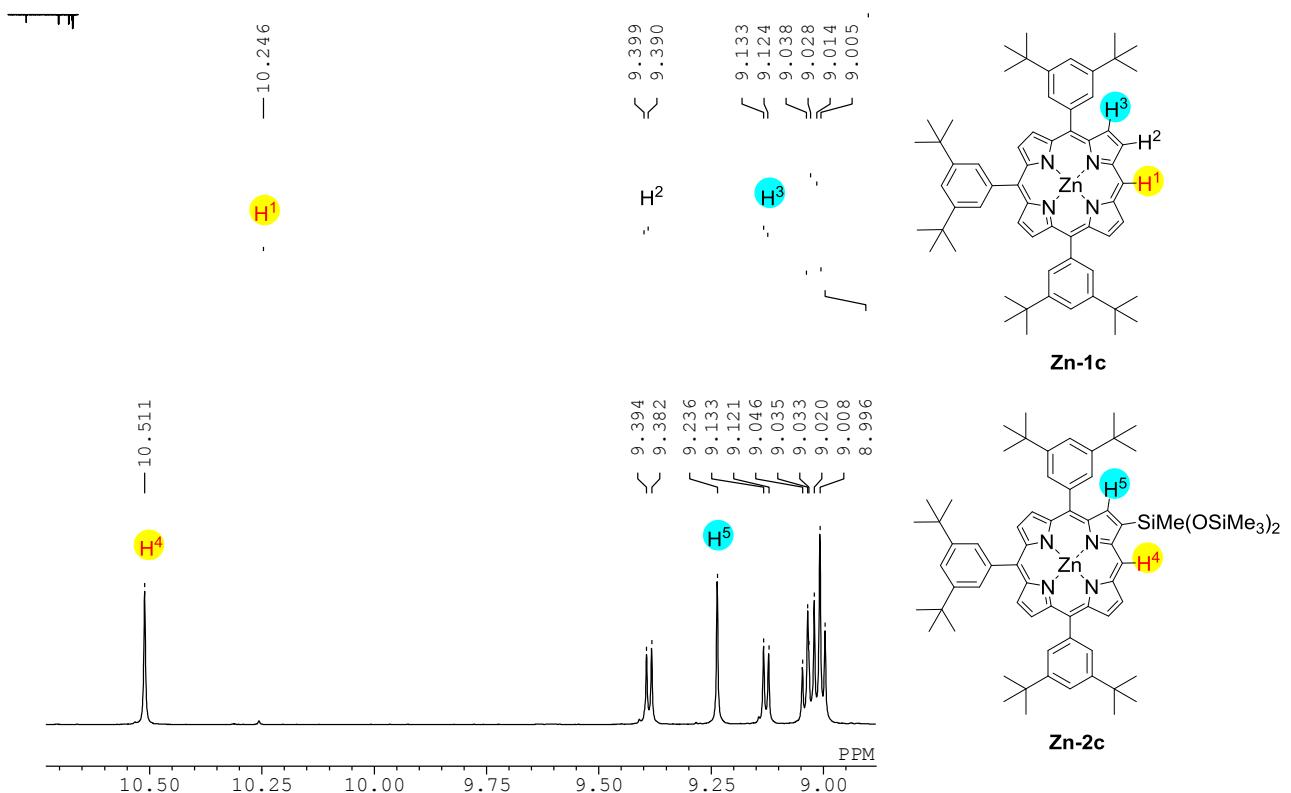
**Fig. S7** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2g** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1g** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



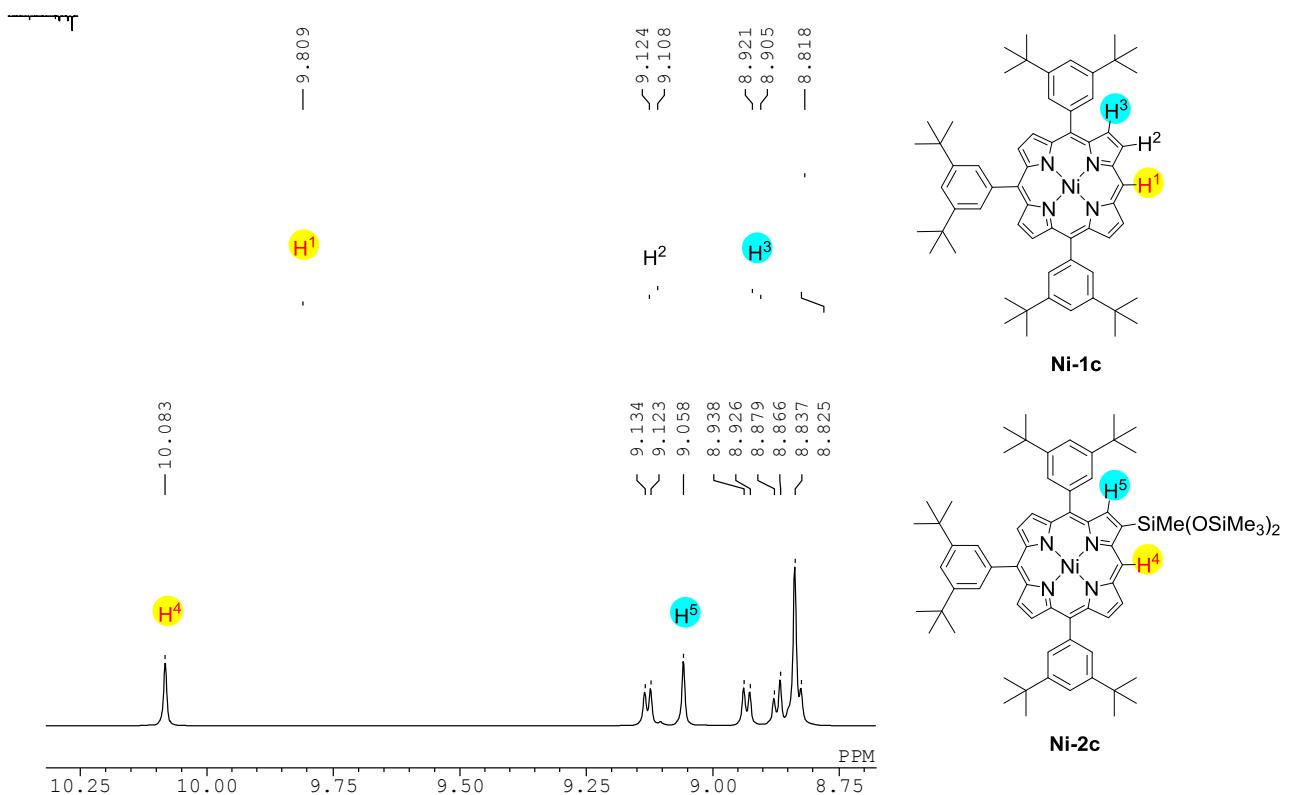
**Fig. S8** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-2h** with starting porphyrin **H<sub>2</sub>-1h** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



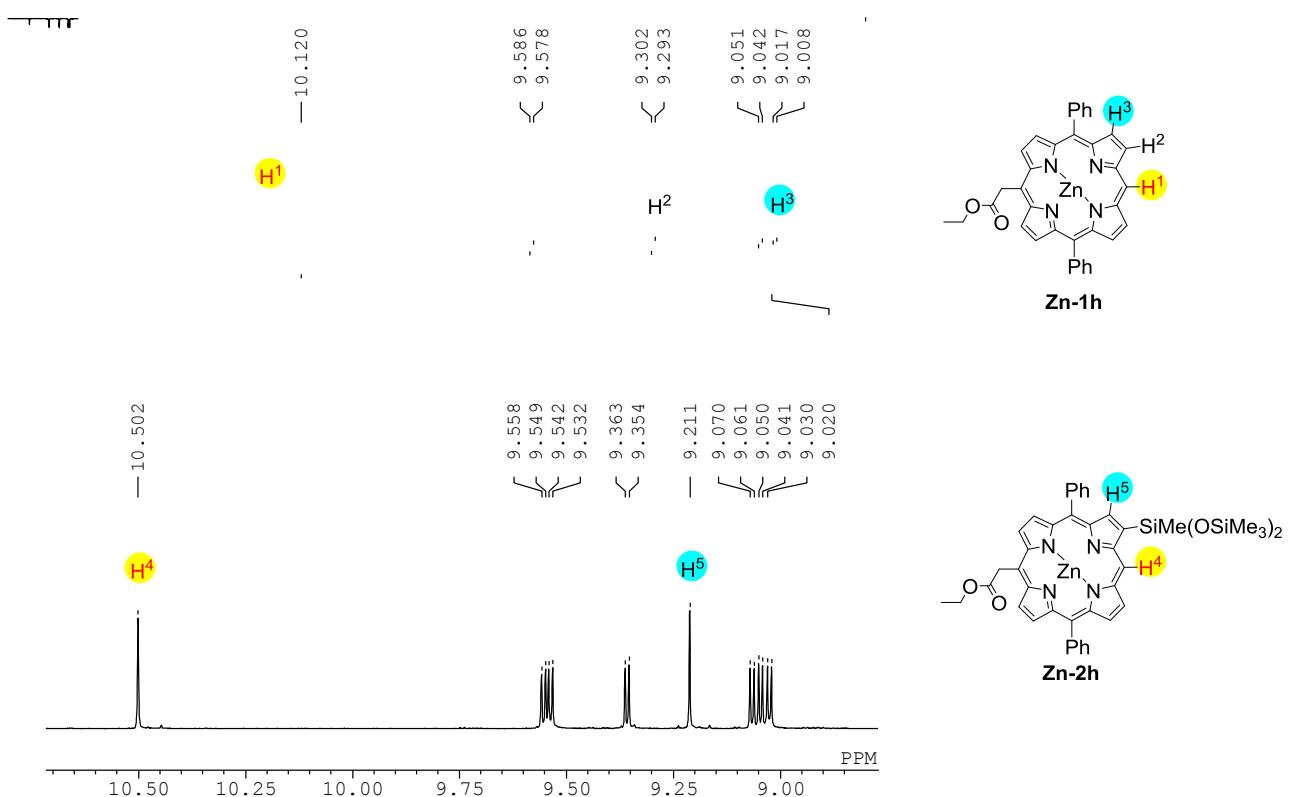
**Fig. S9** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **Zn-2a** with starting porphyrin **Zn-1a** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



**Fig. S10** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **Zn-2c** with starting porphyrin **Zn-1c** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



**Fig. S11** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **Ni-2c** with starting porphyrin **Ni-1c** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



**Fig. S12** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $\beta$ -silylated porphyrin **Zn-2h** with starting porphyrin **Zn-1h** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

## X-ray crystallographic data of H<sub>2</sub>-2a, H<sub>2</sub>-5a, and H<sub>2</sub>-6a

All measurements were made on a Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID imaging plate diffractometer using filtered Cu-K $\alpha$  radiation. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and numerical absorption. The structures were solved by direct methods<sup>12</sup> and expanded using Fourier techniques. The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were refined using the riding model. All calculations were performed using the CrystalStructure<sup>13</sup> crystallographic software package except for refinement, which was performed using SHELX.<sup>14</sup>

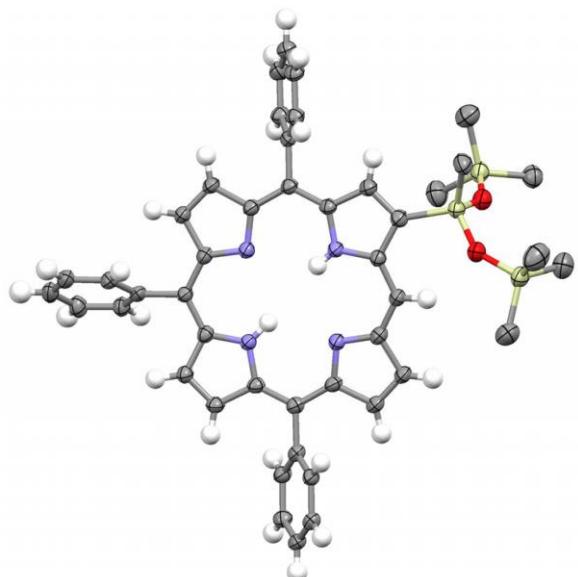
**Table S2.** Experimental data for the X-ray crystallography of H<sub>2</sub>-2a.

Compound	H <sub>2</sub> -2a
formula	C <sub>45</sub> H <sub>46</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Si <sub>3</sub>
Mw	759.14
crystal size/mm	0.110 × 0.088 × 0.024
crystal system	triclinic
a/Å	6.4848(2)
b/Å	10.6582(2)
c/Å	30.3573(6)
$\alpha$ /deg	85.3716(8)
$\beta$ /deg	88.6754(7)
$\gamma$ /deg	78.2900(7)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	2047.77(7)
space group	P-1 (#2)
Z	2
g/cm	1.231
$\mu$ (Cu K $\alpha$ )/cm <sup>-1</sup>	13.959
T/K	93
no. of measured reflections	37521
no. of unique reflections	7379
R <sub>int</sub>	0.0364
goodness of fit	1.115
R <sub>1</sub>	0.0552
wR <sub>2</sub>	0.1694
CCDC	1503314

<sup>12</sup> SIR2008: Burla, M. C.; Caliandro, R.; Camalli, M.; Carrozzini, B.; Cascarano, G. L.; De Caro, L.; Giacovazzo, C.; Polidori, G.; Siliqi, D. Spagna, R. (2007). SHELX97: Sheldrick, G. M. *Acta Cryst.* **2008**, A64, 112. SIR92: Altomare, A.; Cascarano, G.; Giacovazzo, C.; Guagliardi, A.; Burla, M.; Polidori, G.; Camalli, M. *J. Appl. Cryst.* **1994**, 27, 435.

<sup>13</sup> (a) CrystalStructure 4.0, CrystalStructure 4.1: Crystal Structure Analysis Package, Rigaku Corporation (2000-2014). Tokyo 196-8666, Japan. (b) CRYSTALS Issue 11: Carruthers, J. R., Rollett, J.S., Betteridge, P. W., Kinna, D., Pearce, L., Larsen, A., and Gabe, E. Chemical Crystallography Laboratory, Oxford, UK. (1999)

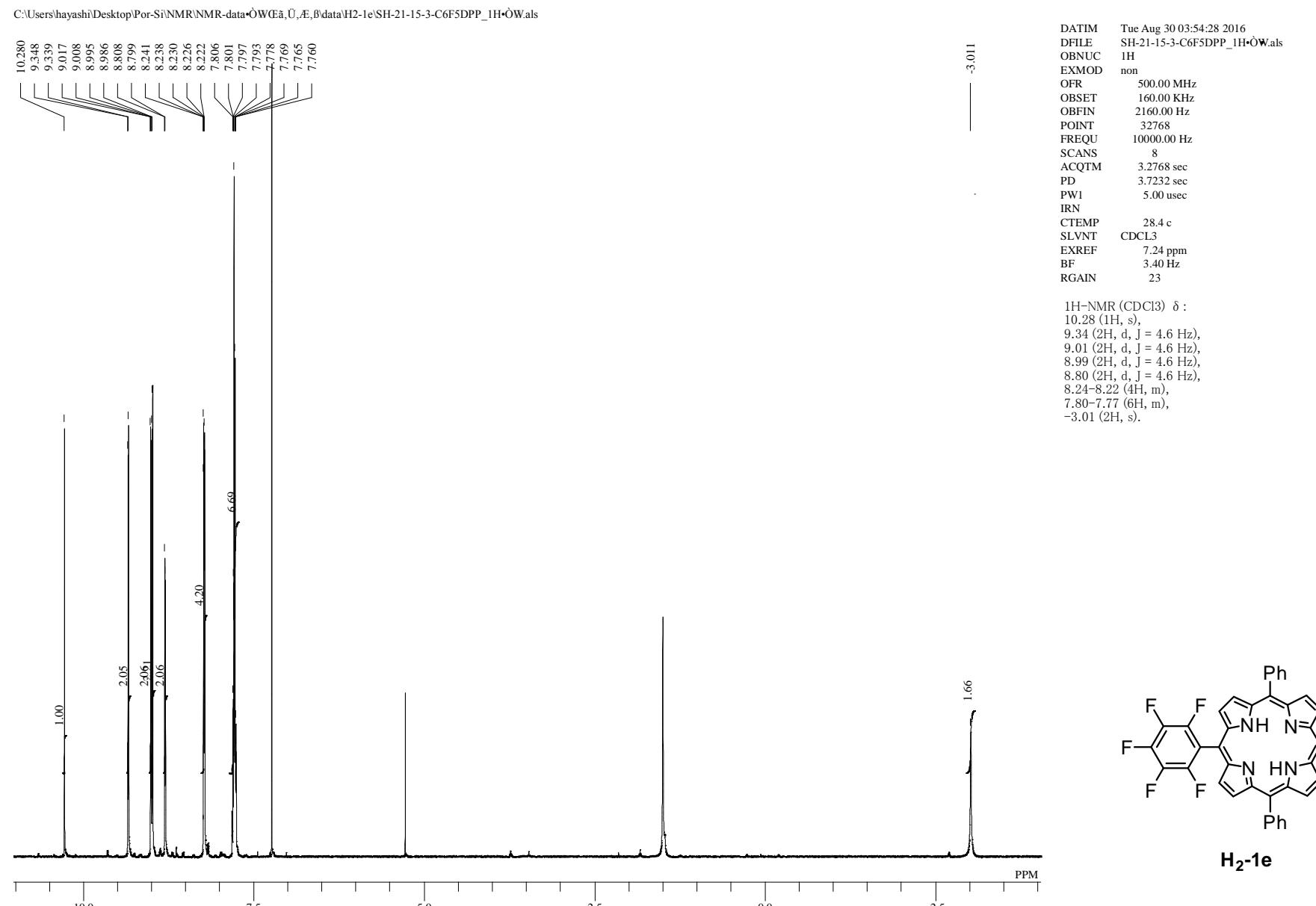
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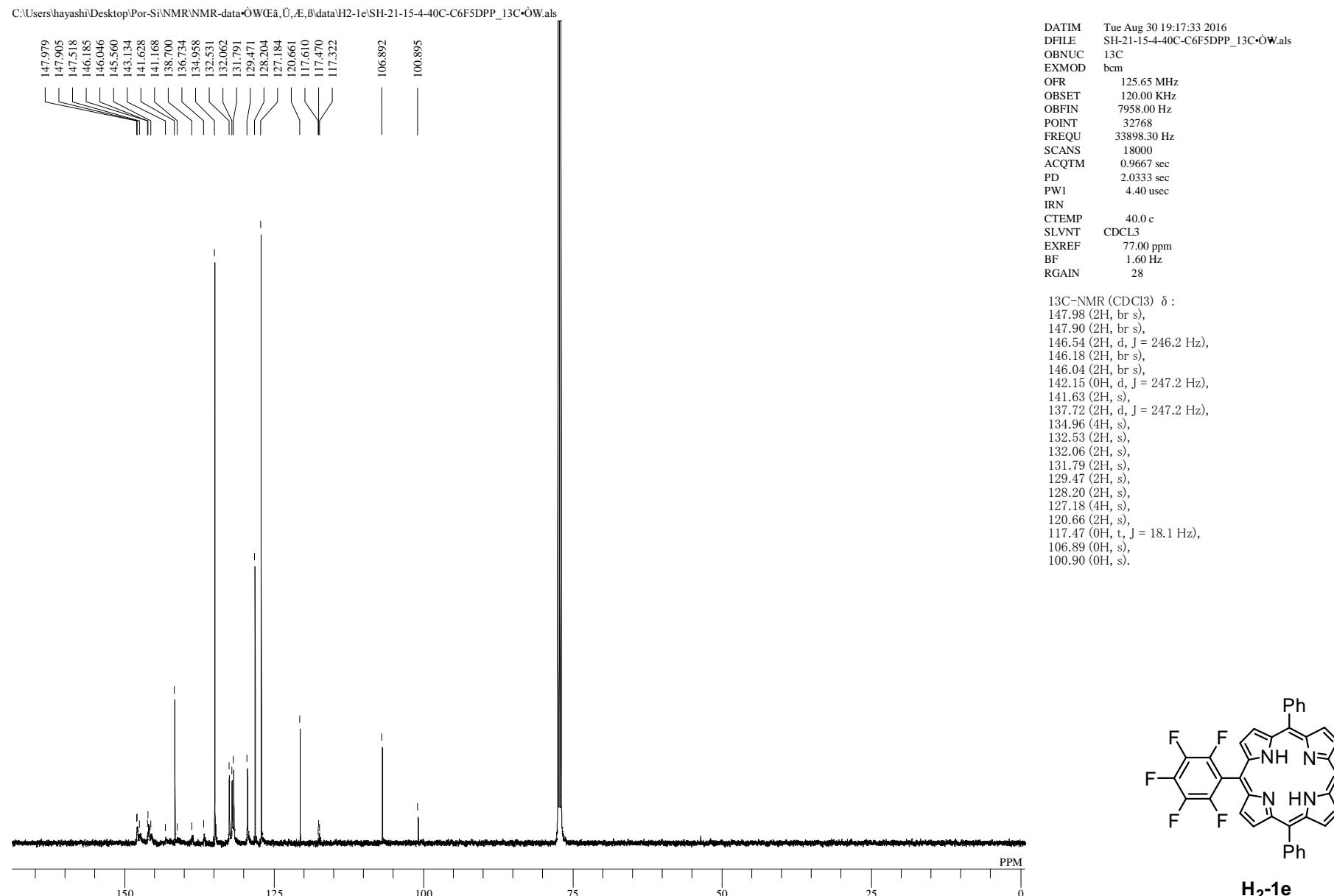
**Fig. S13** Crystal structure of **H<sub>2</sub>-2a**. Atomic thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms. Hydrogen atoms on the silyl group were omitted for clarity.

## NMR spectra of New Compounds

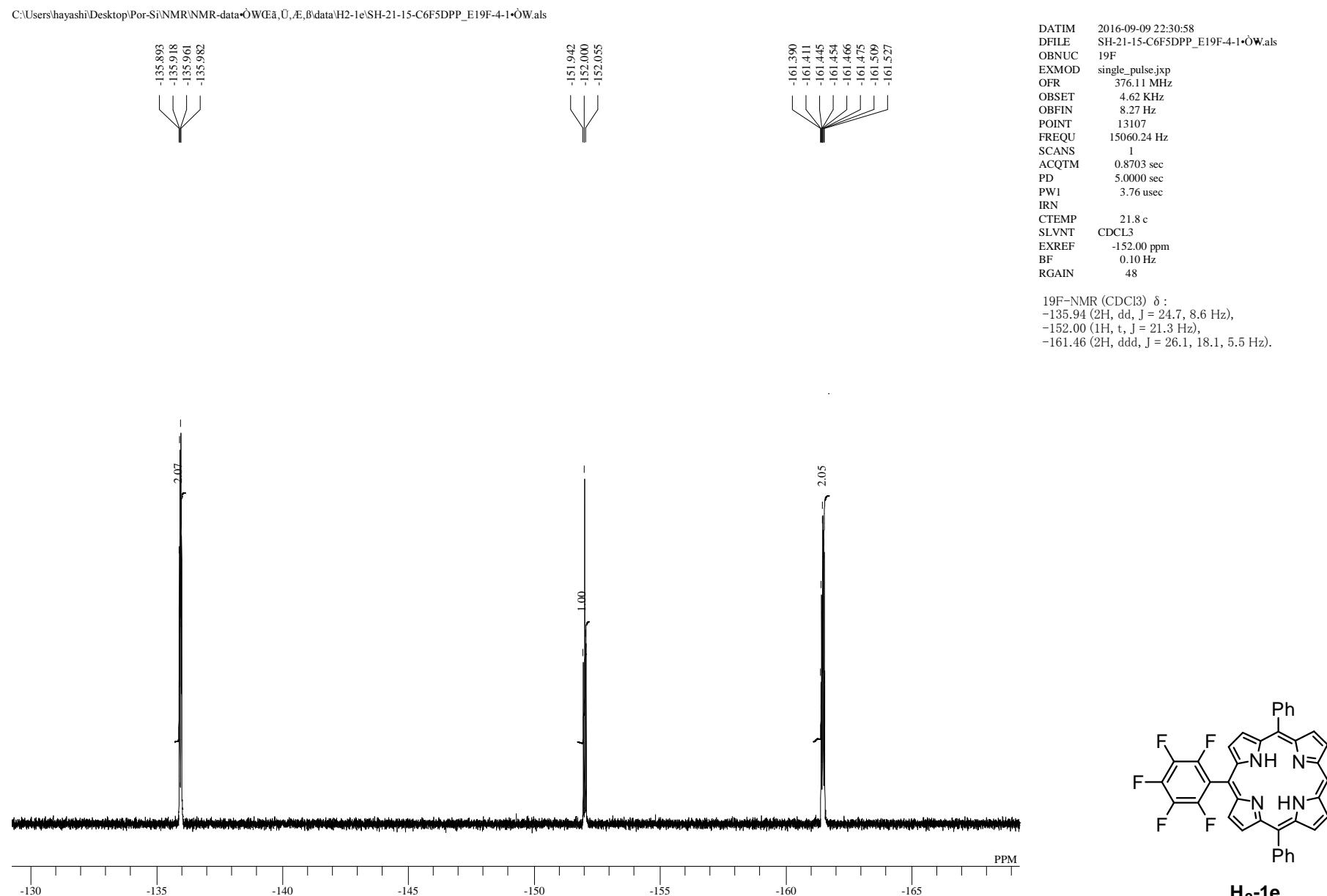
**Fig. S14**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-1e** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



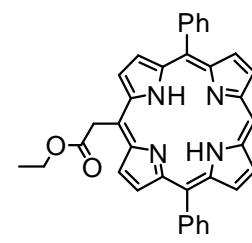
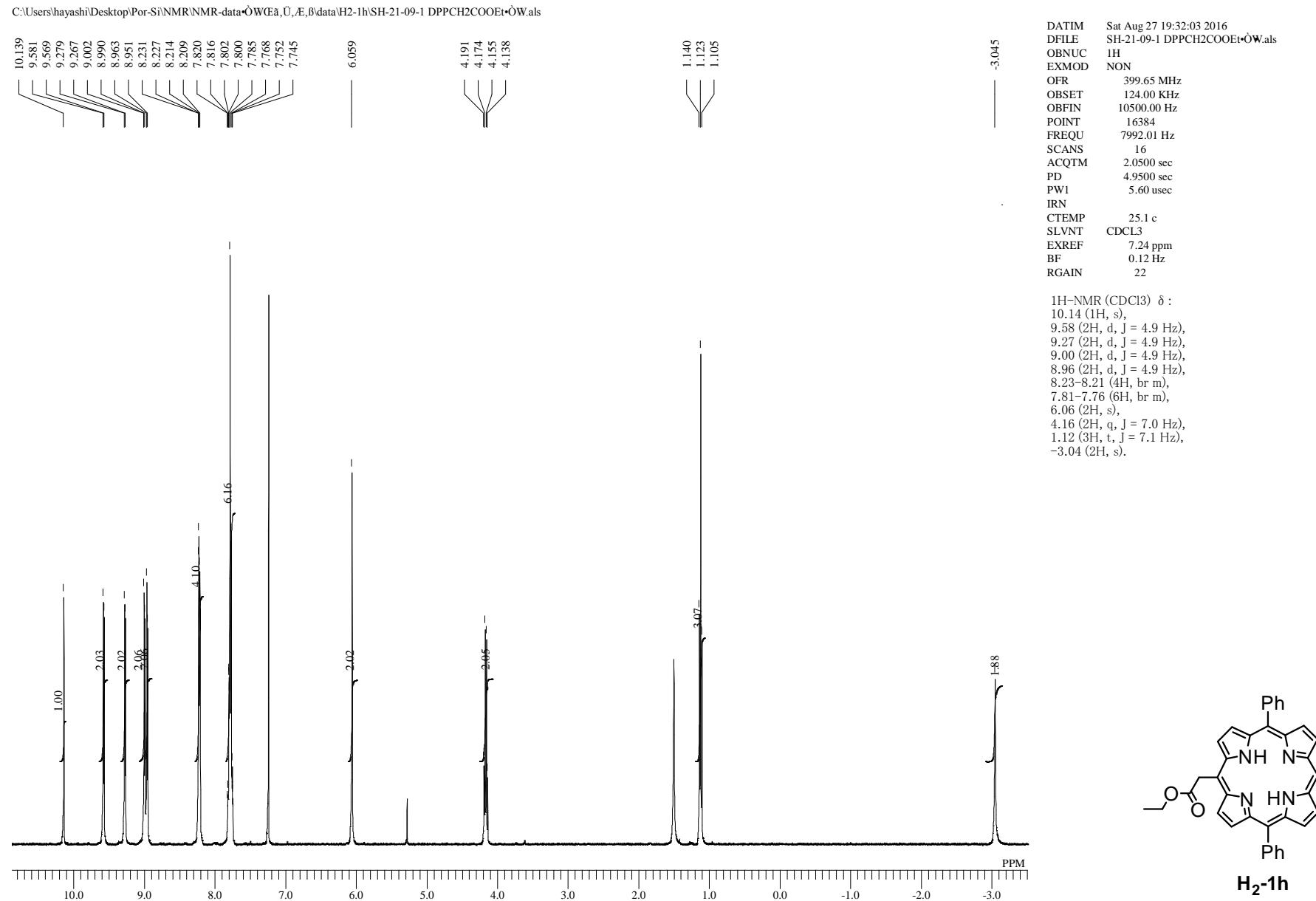
**Fig. S15**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-1e** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



**Fig. S16**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-1e** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

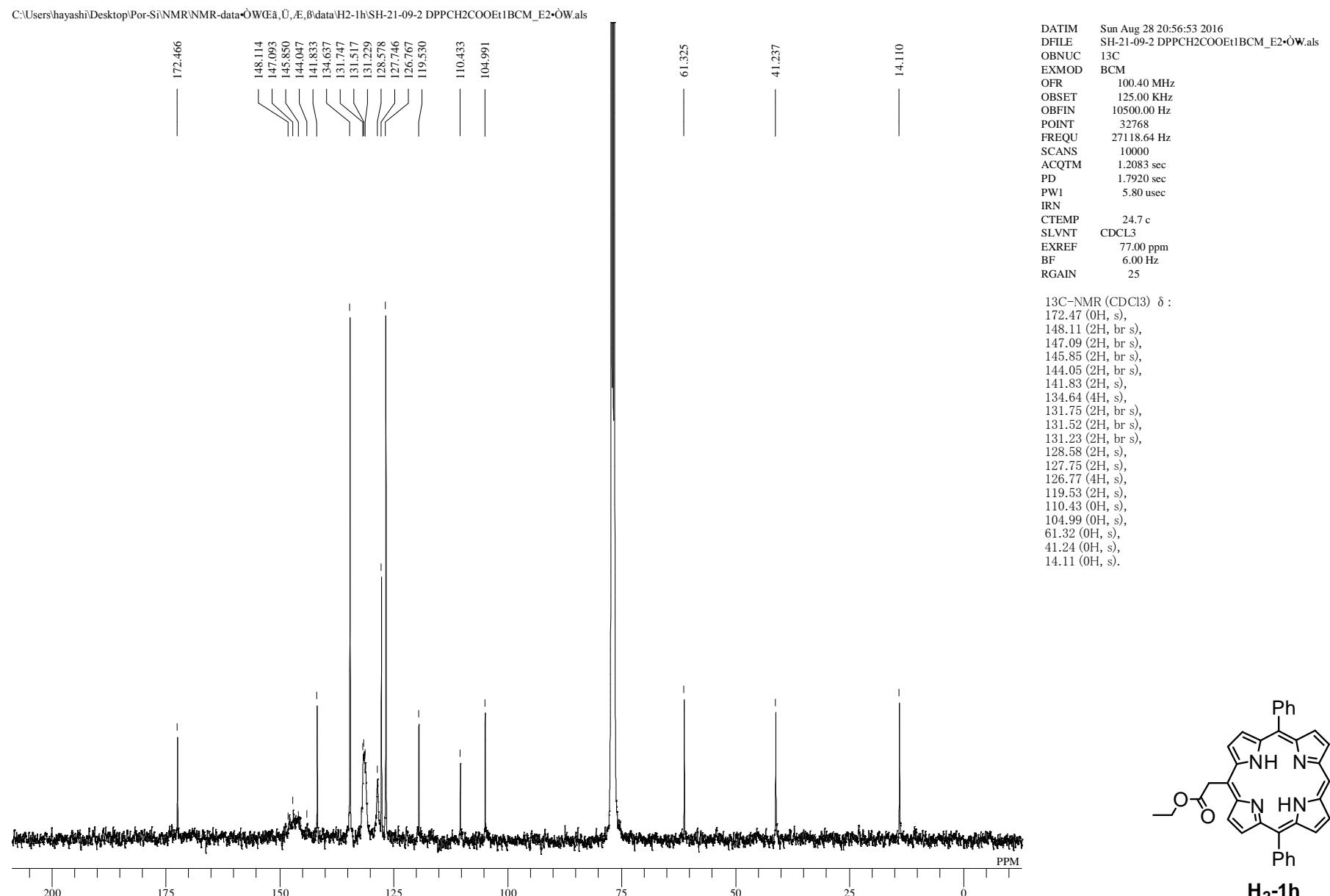


**Fig. S17**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-1h** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

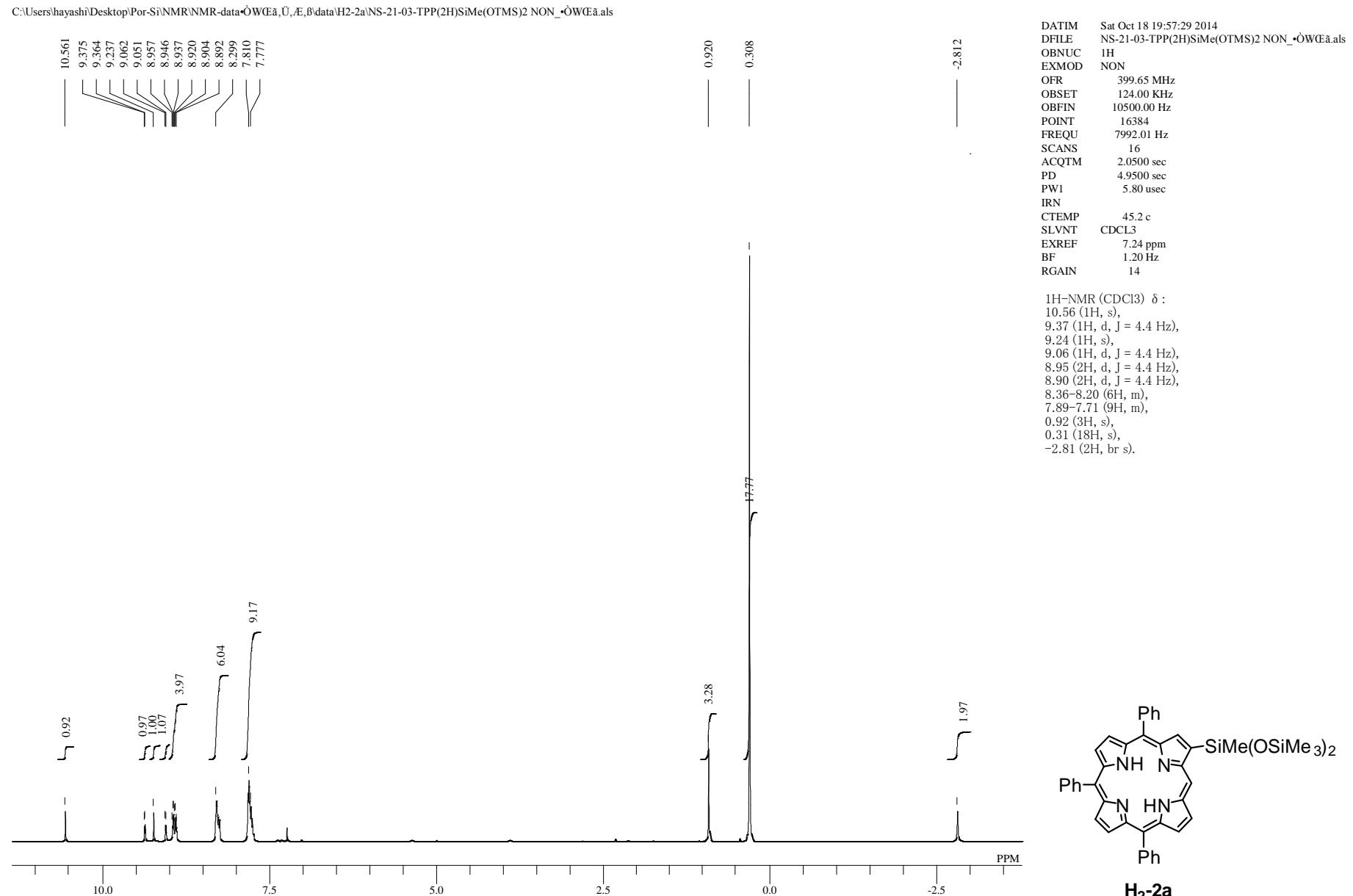


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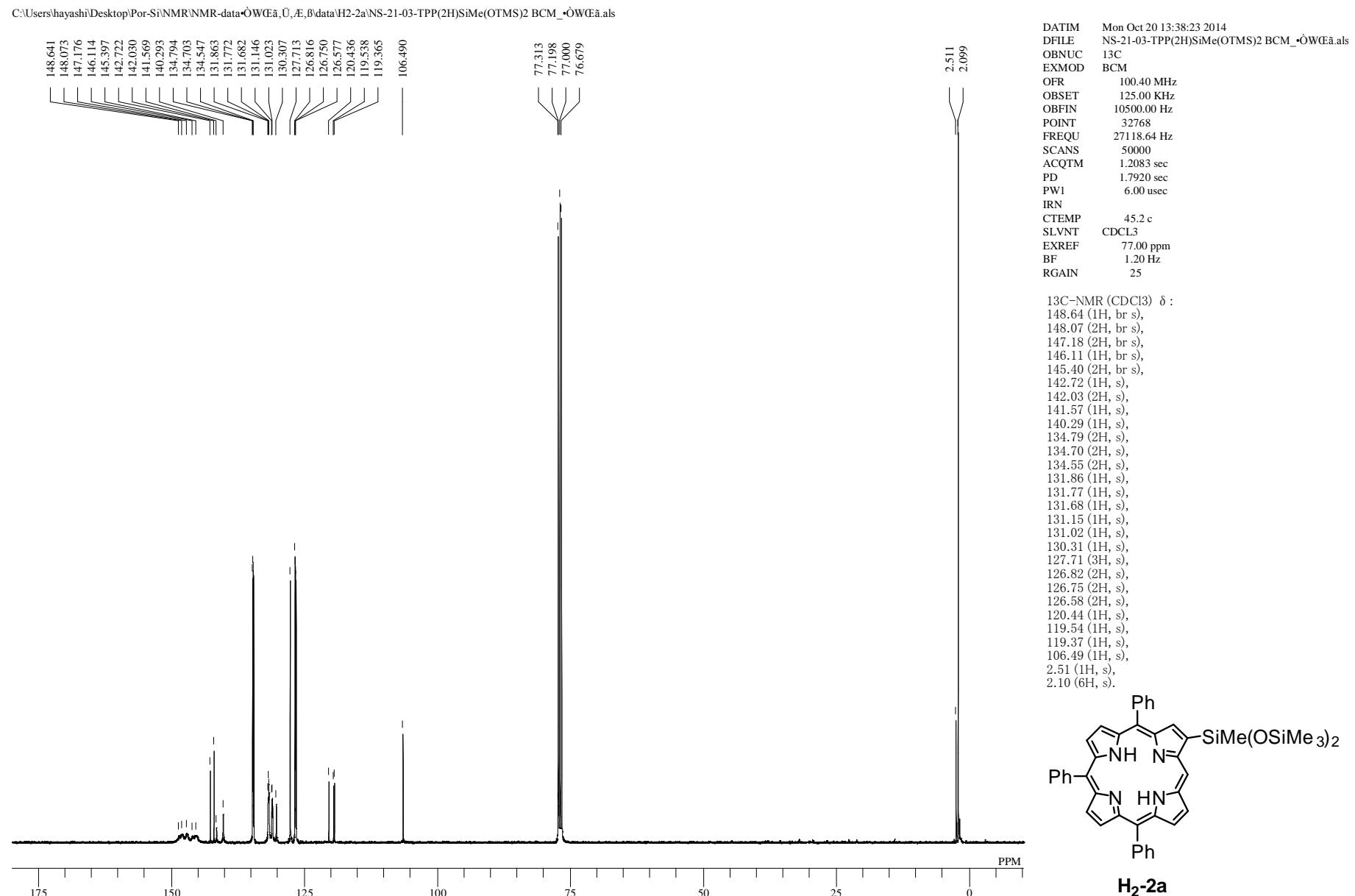
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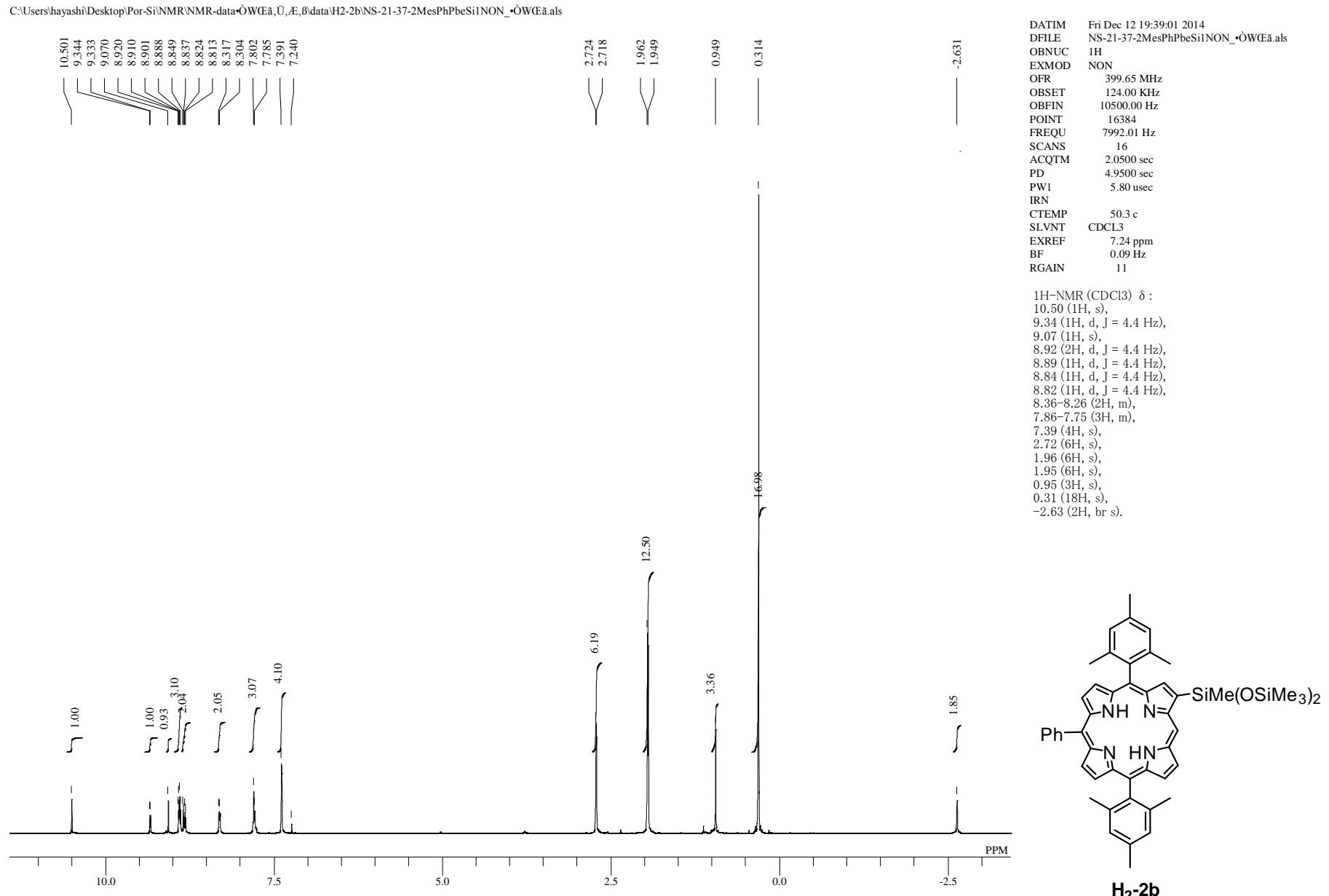
**Fig. S19**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



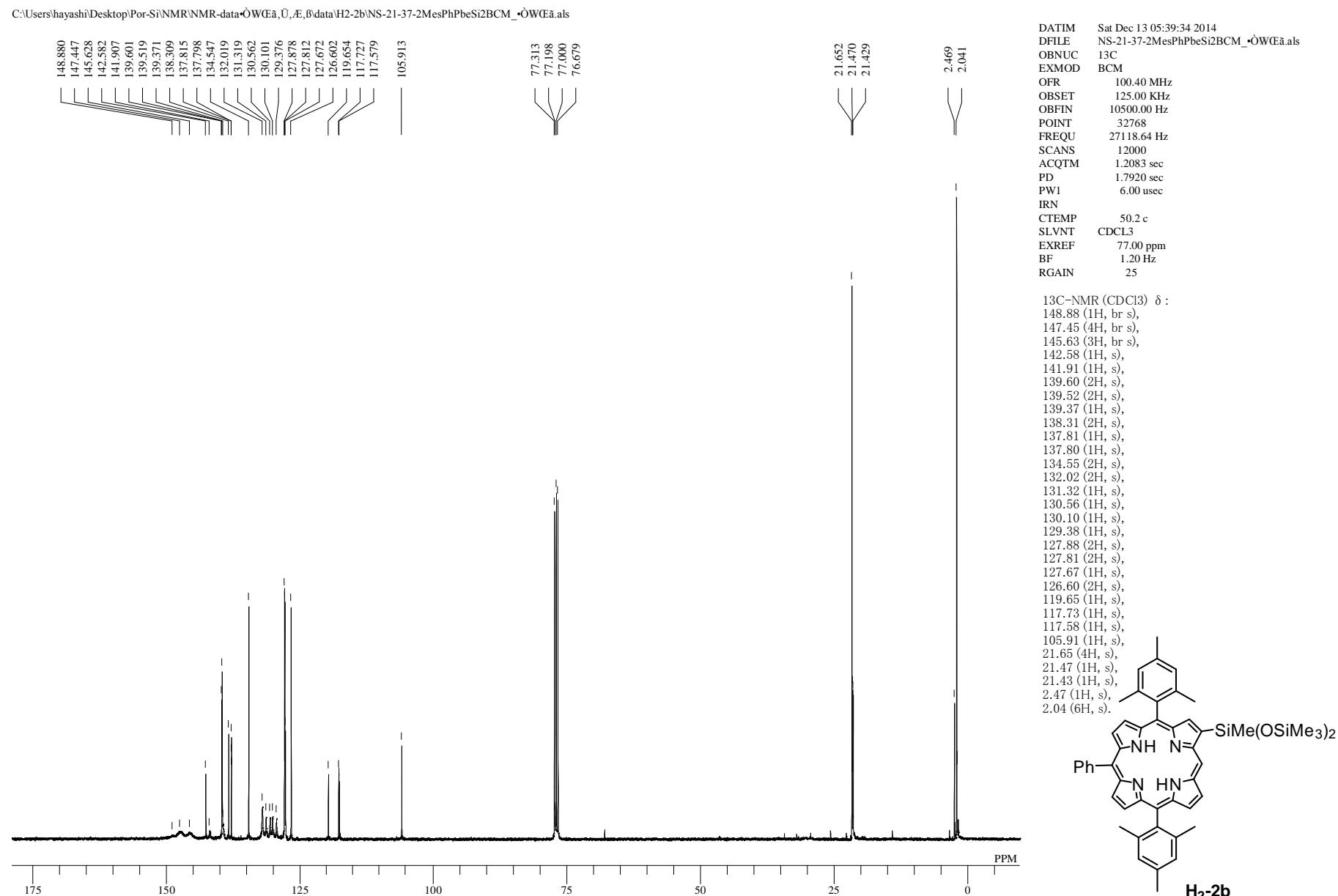
**Fig. S20**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2a** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



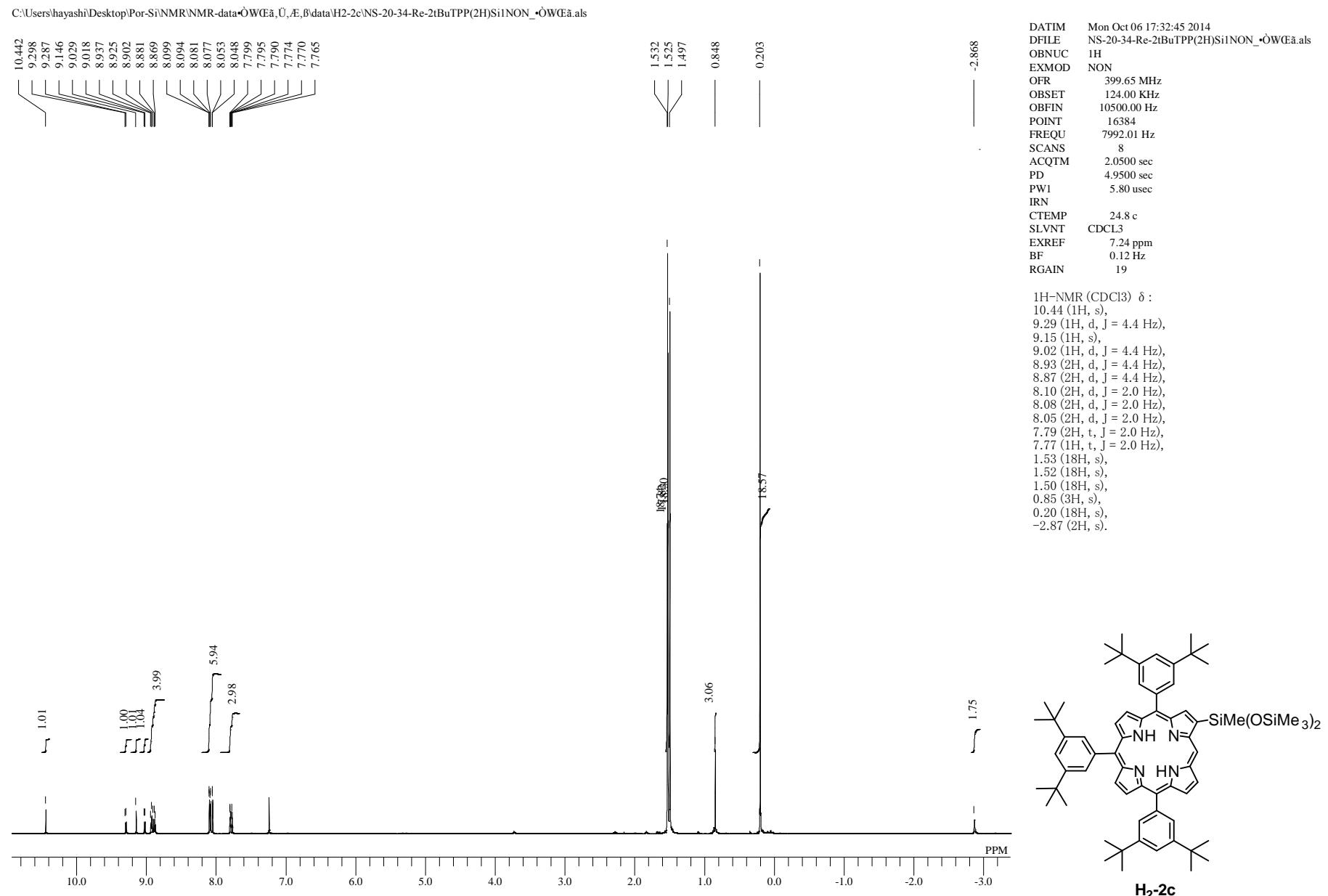
**Fig. S21**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2b** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



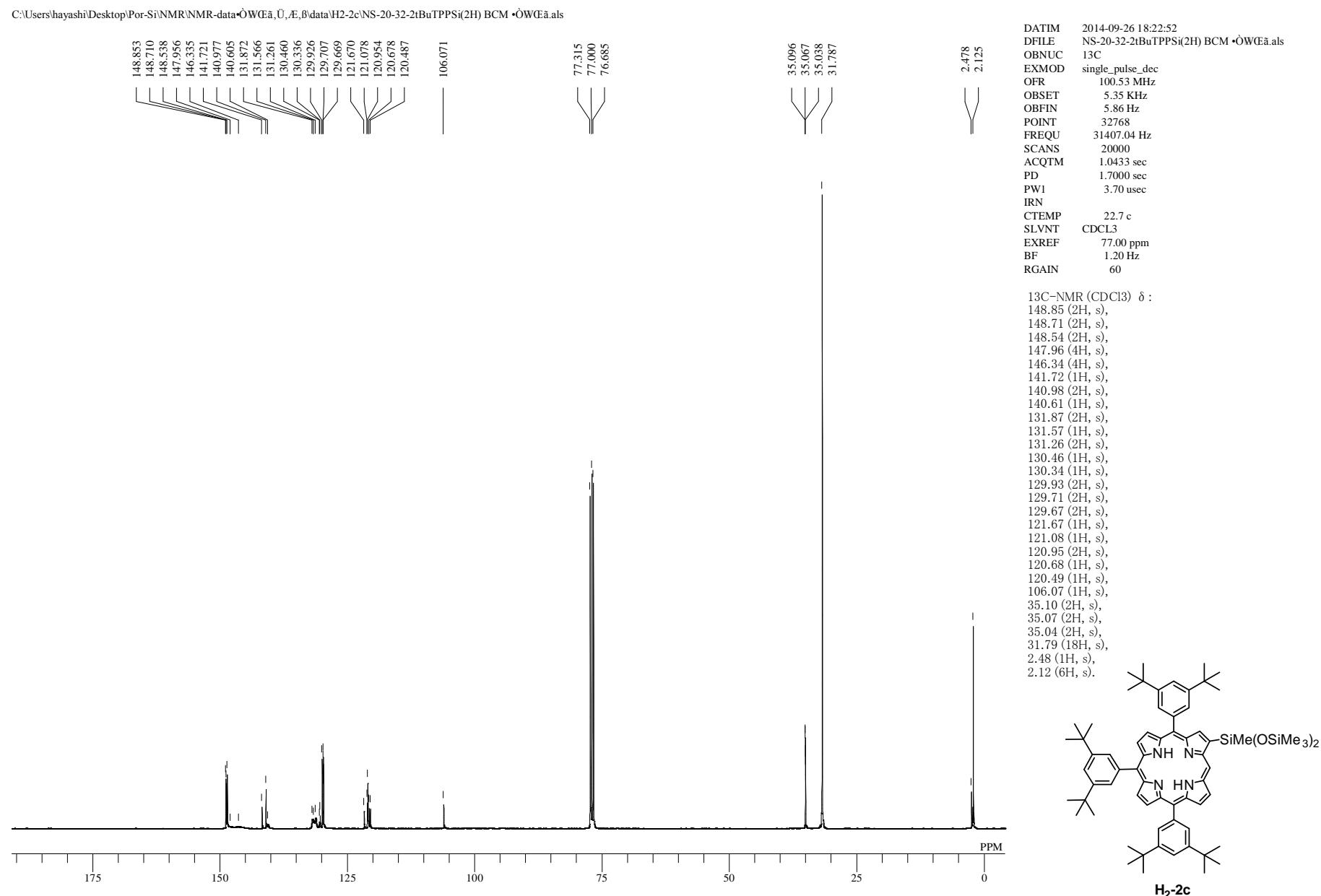
**Fig. S22**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2b** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



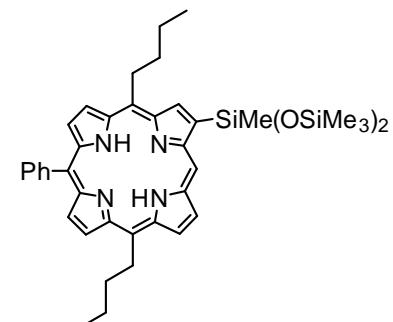
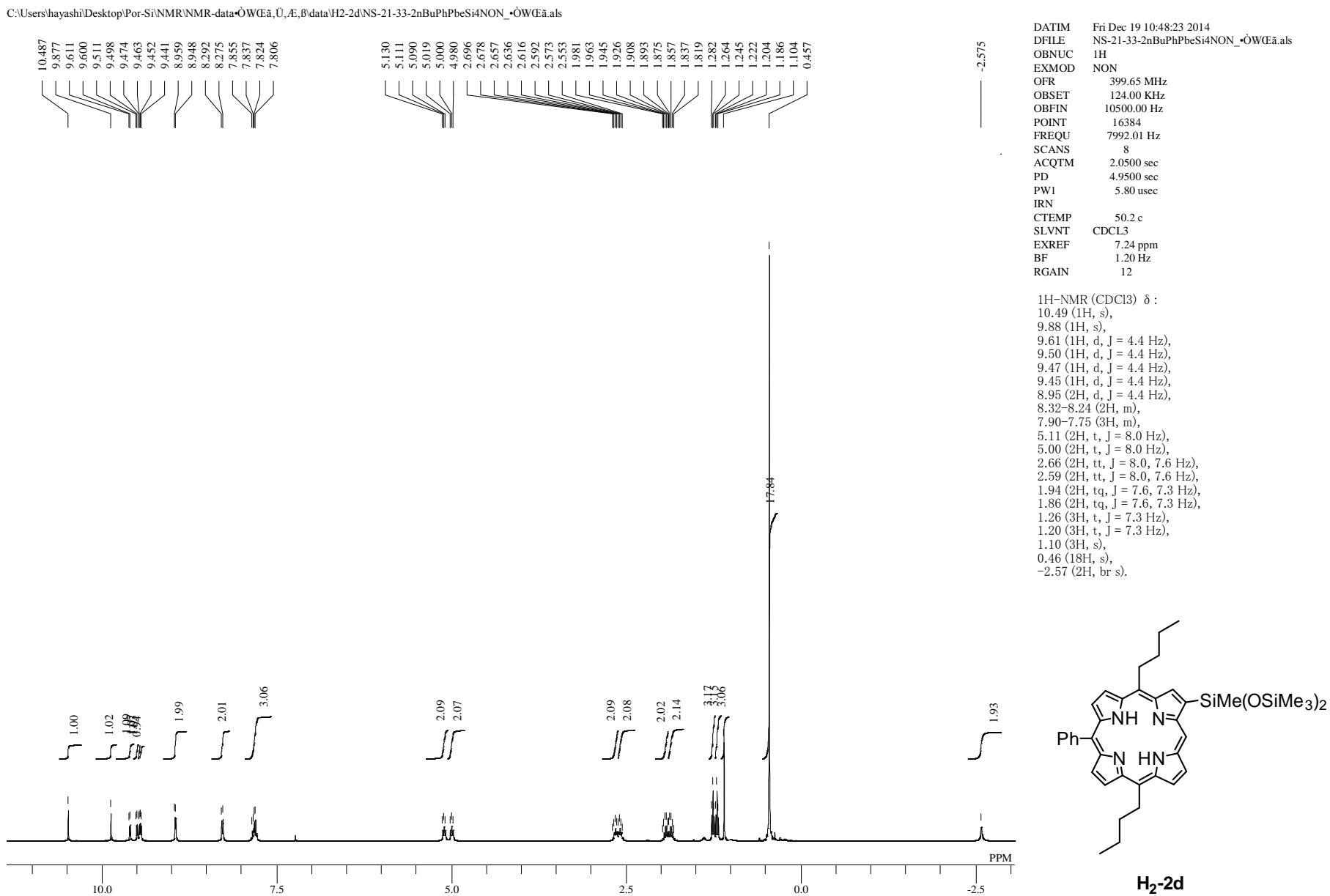
**Fig. S23**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2c** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



**Fig. S24**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2c** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

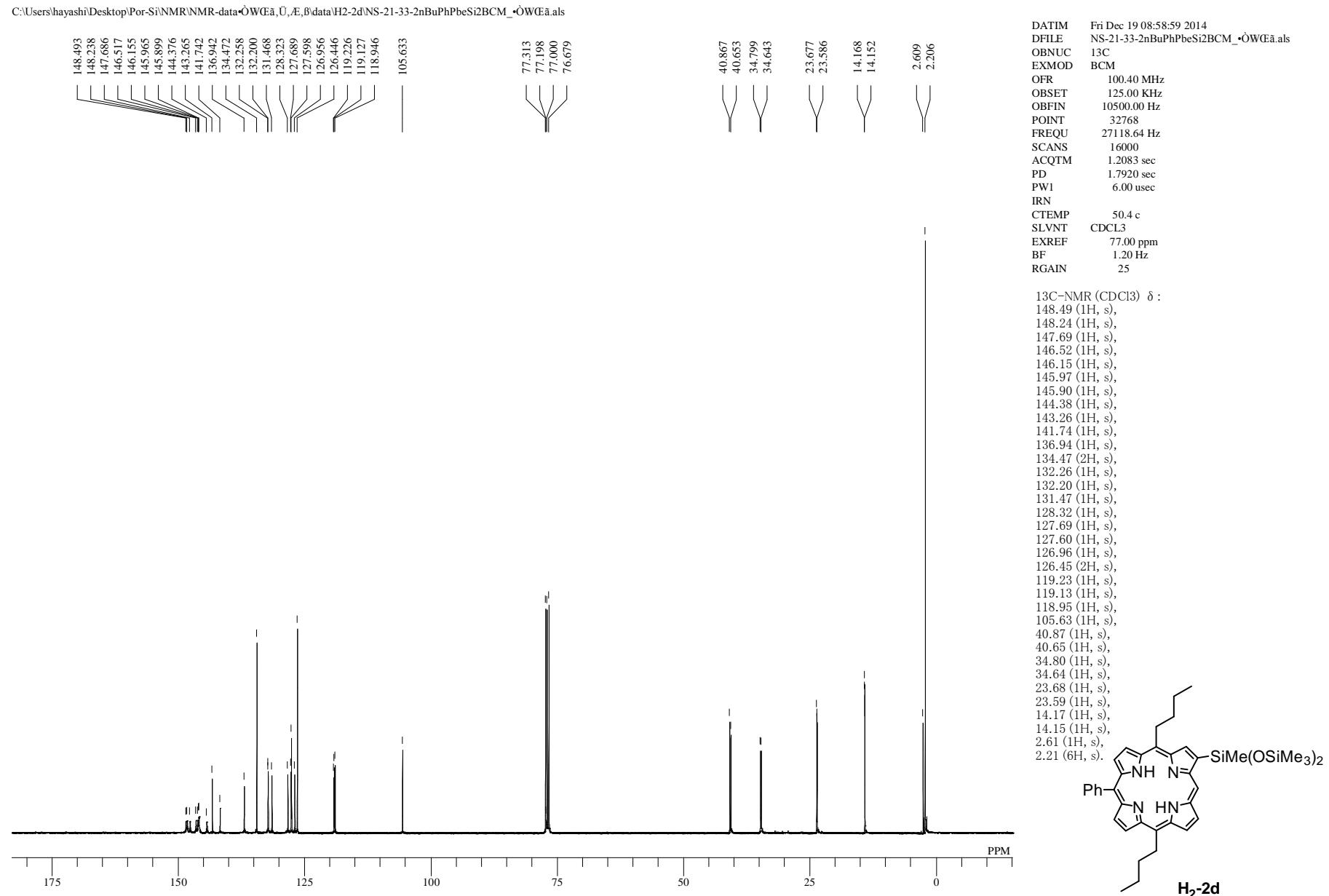


**Fig. S25**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

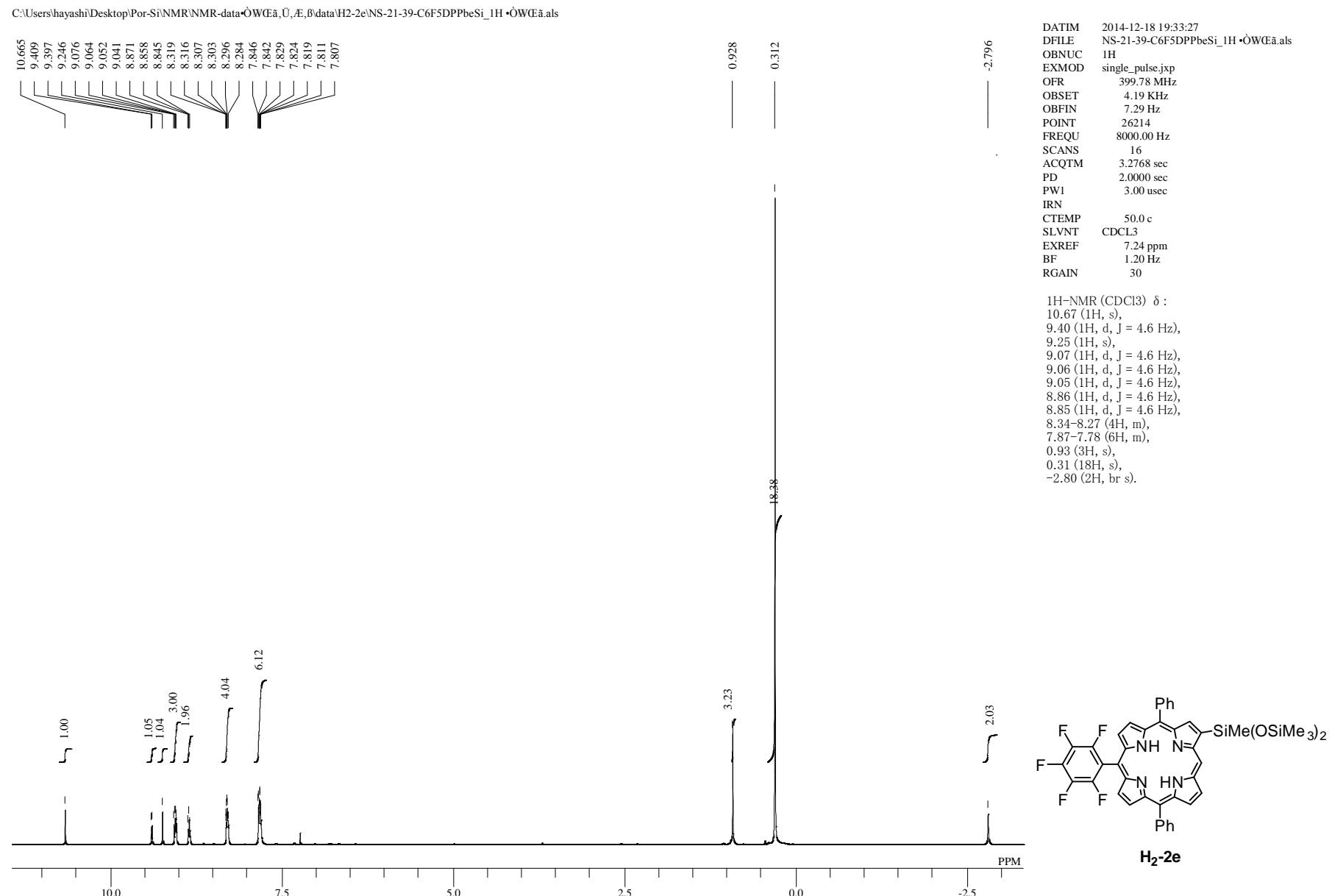


H<sub>2</sub>-2d

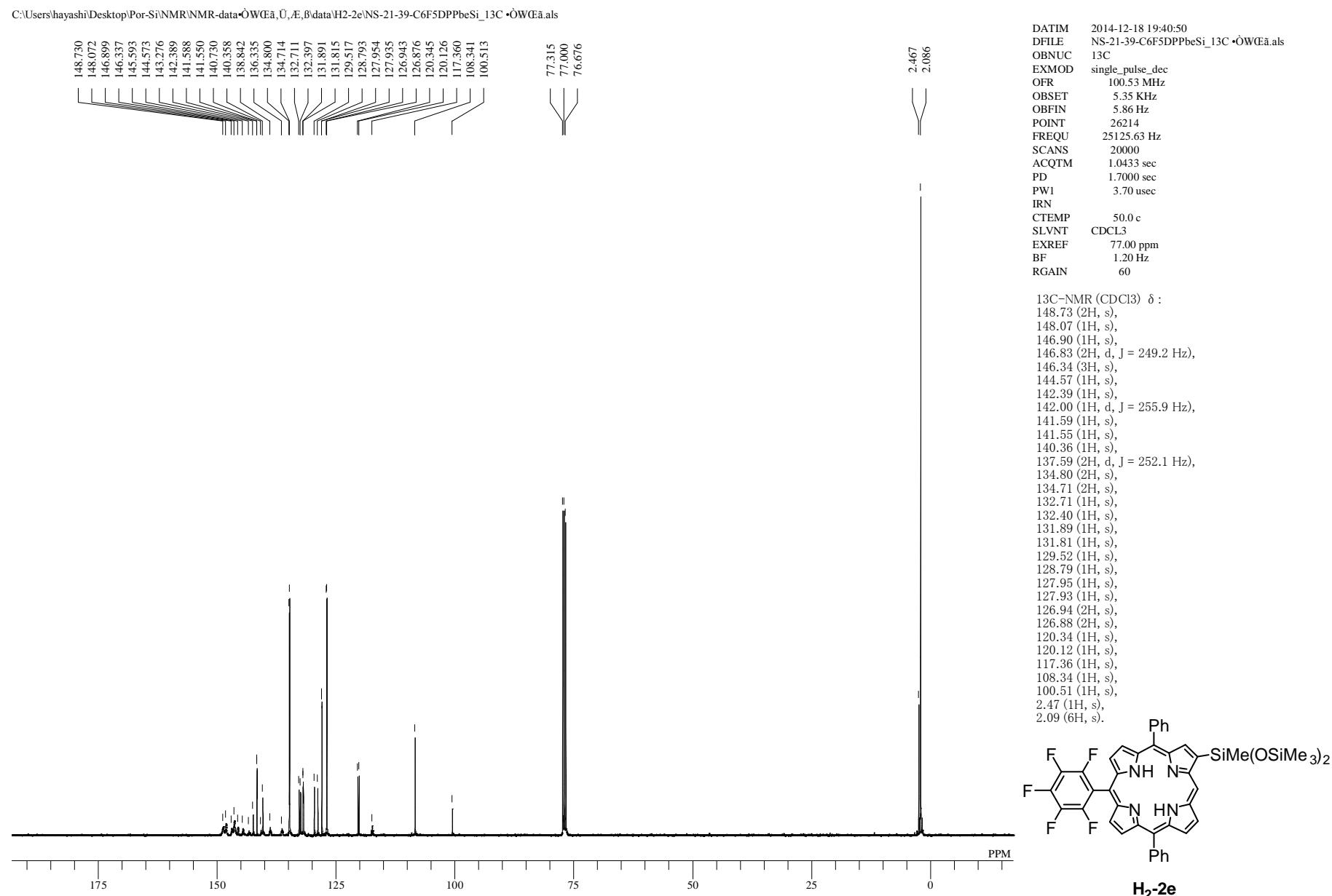
**Fig. S26**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2d** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



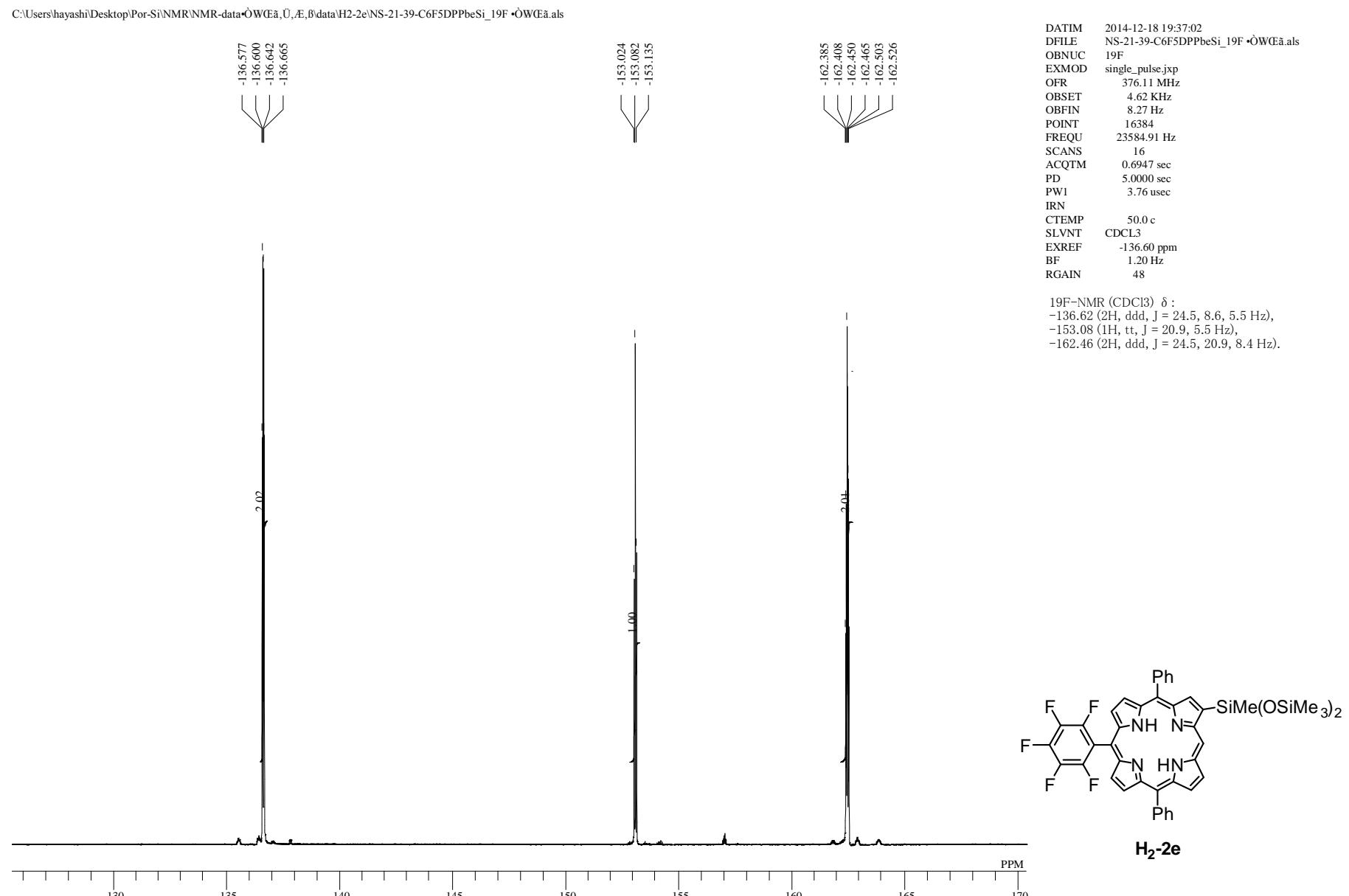
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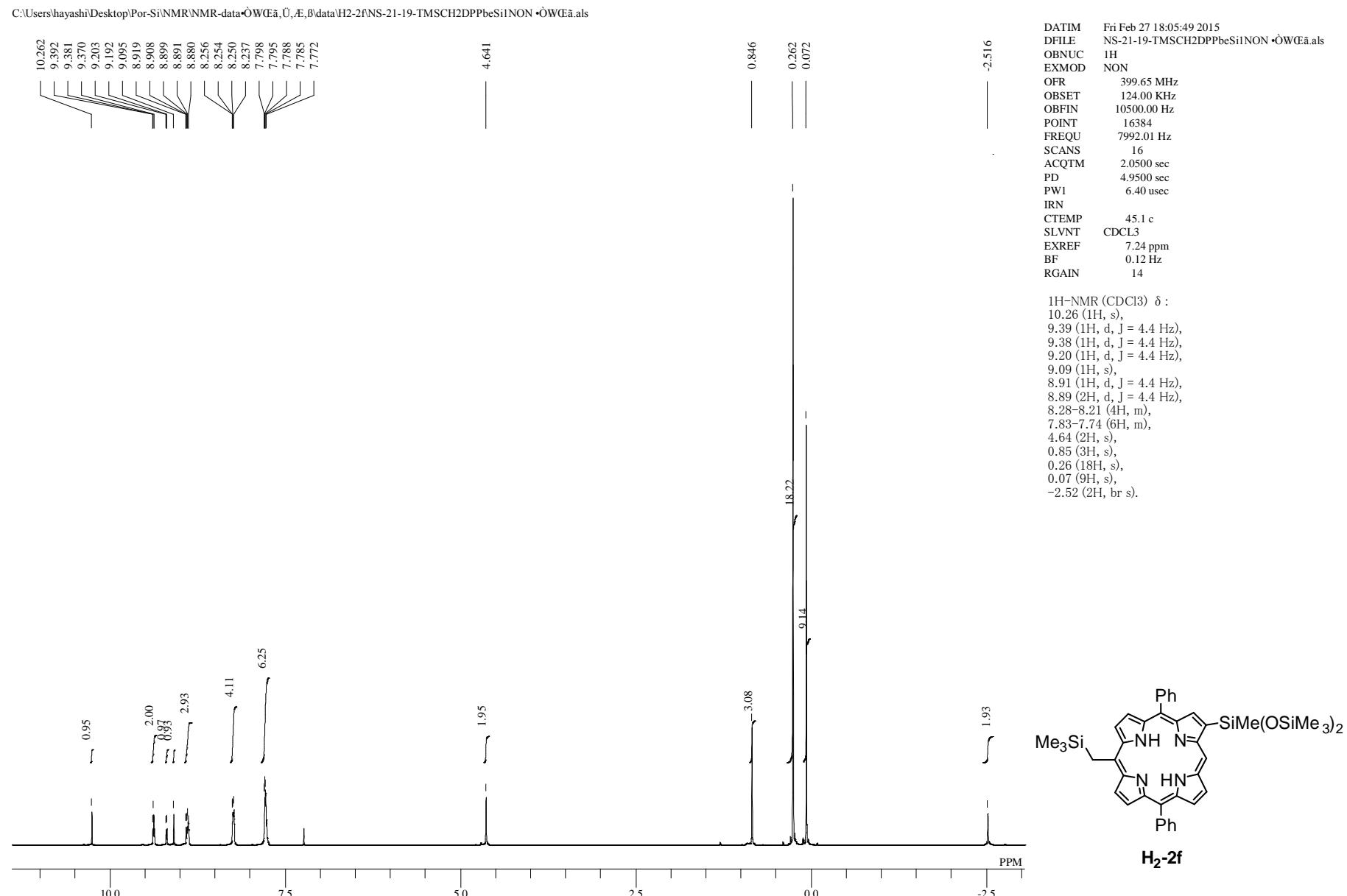
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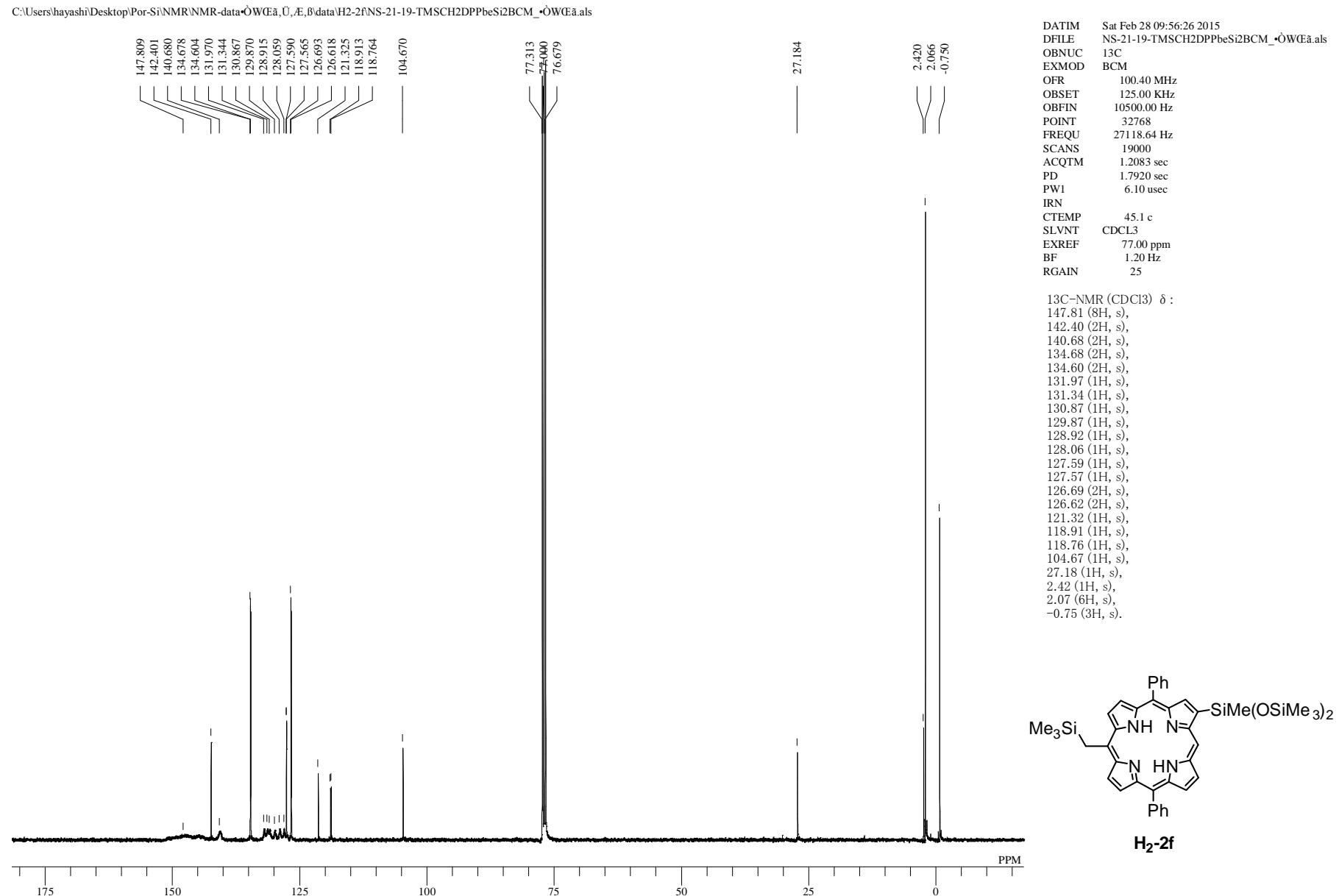
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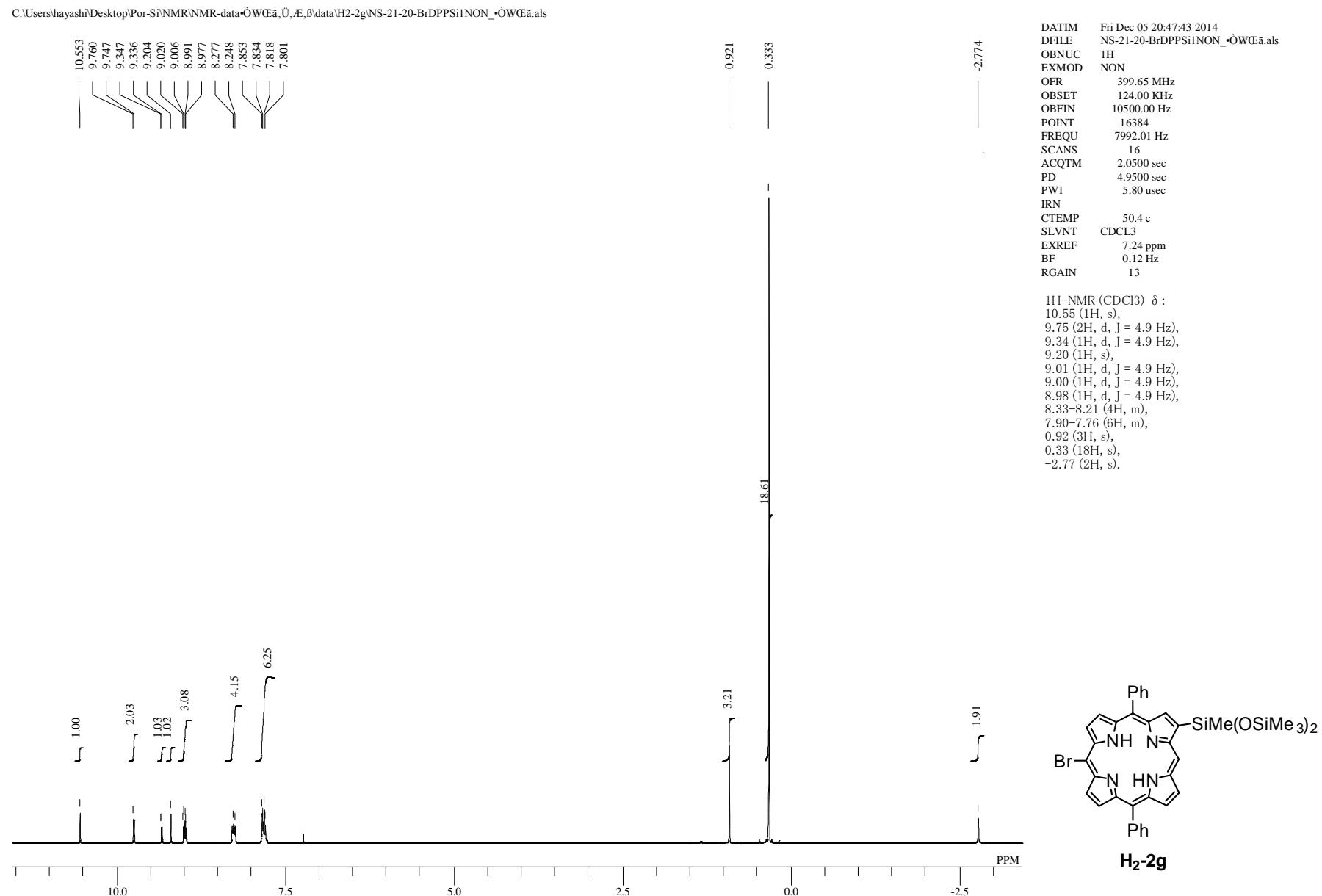
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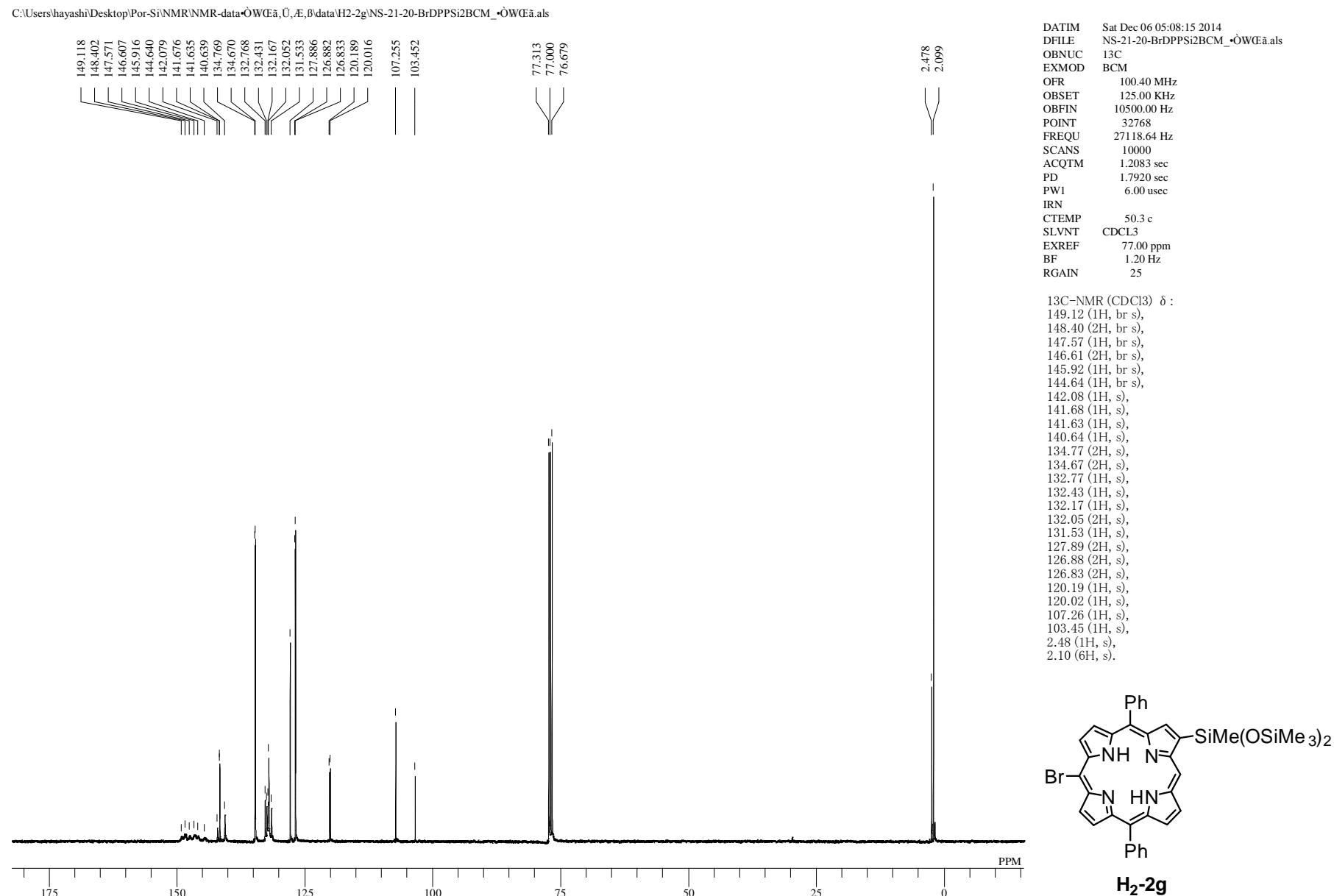
**Fig. S31**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2f** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



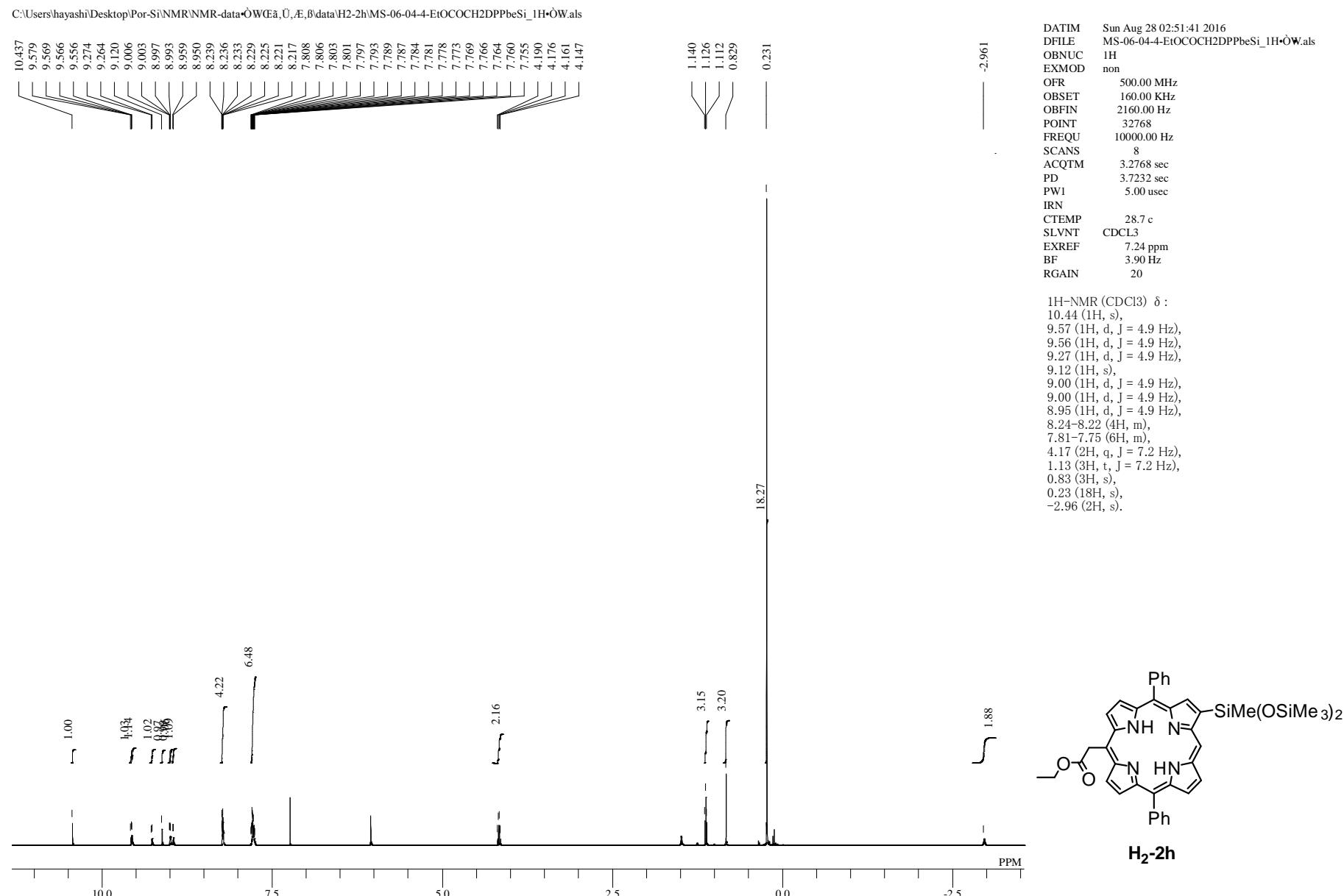
**Fig. S32**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2g** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



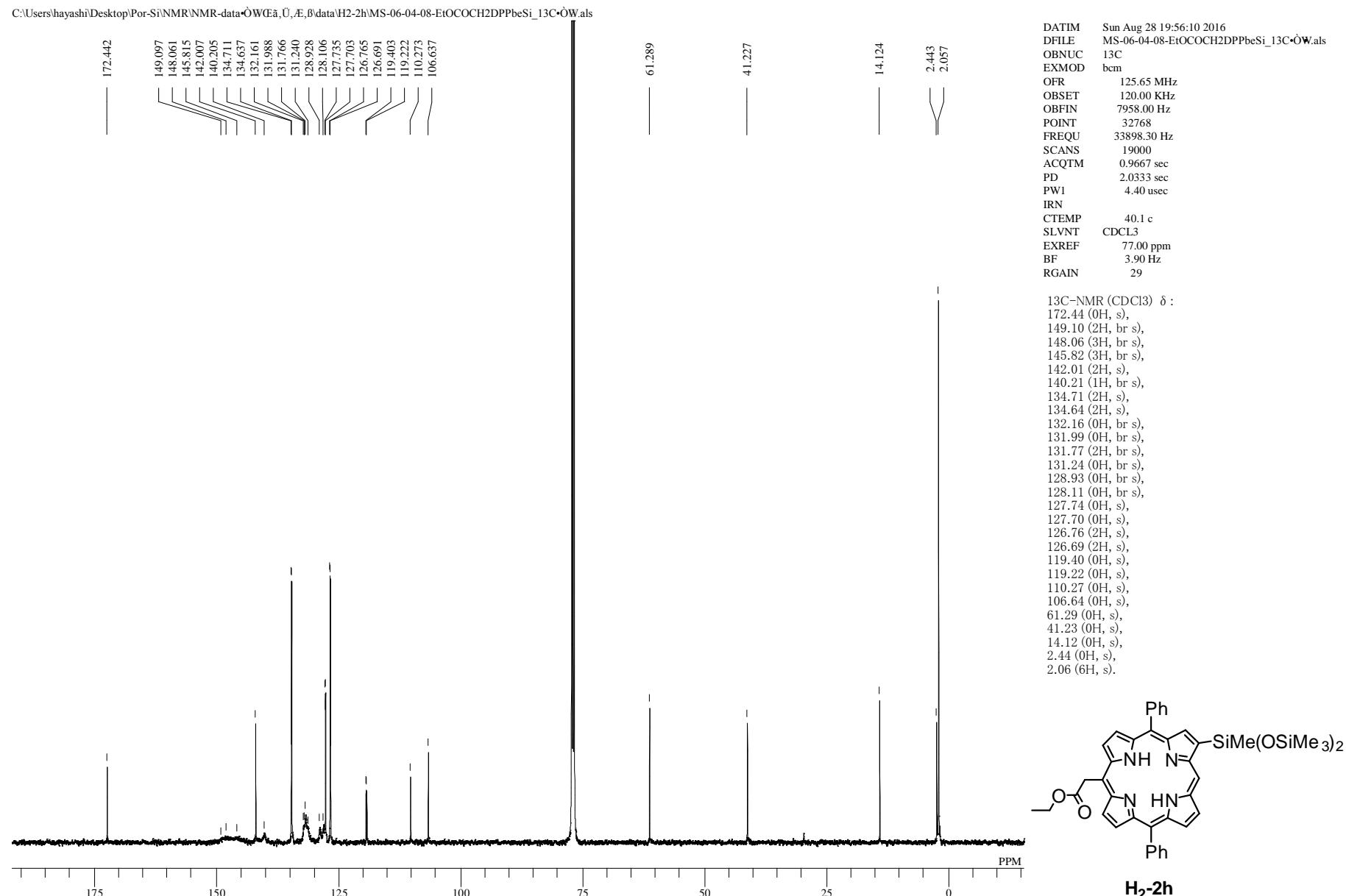
**Fig. S33**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-2g** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



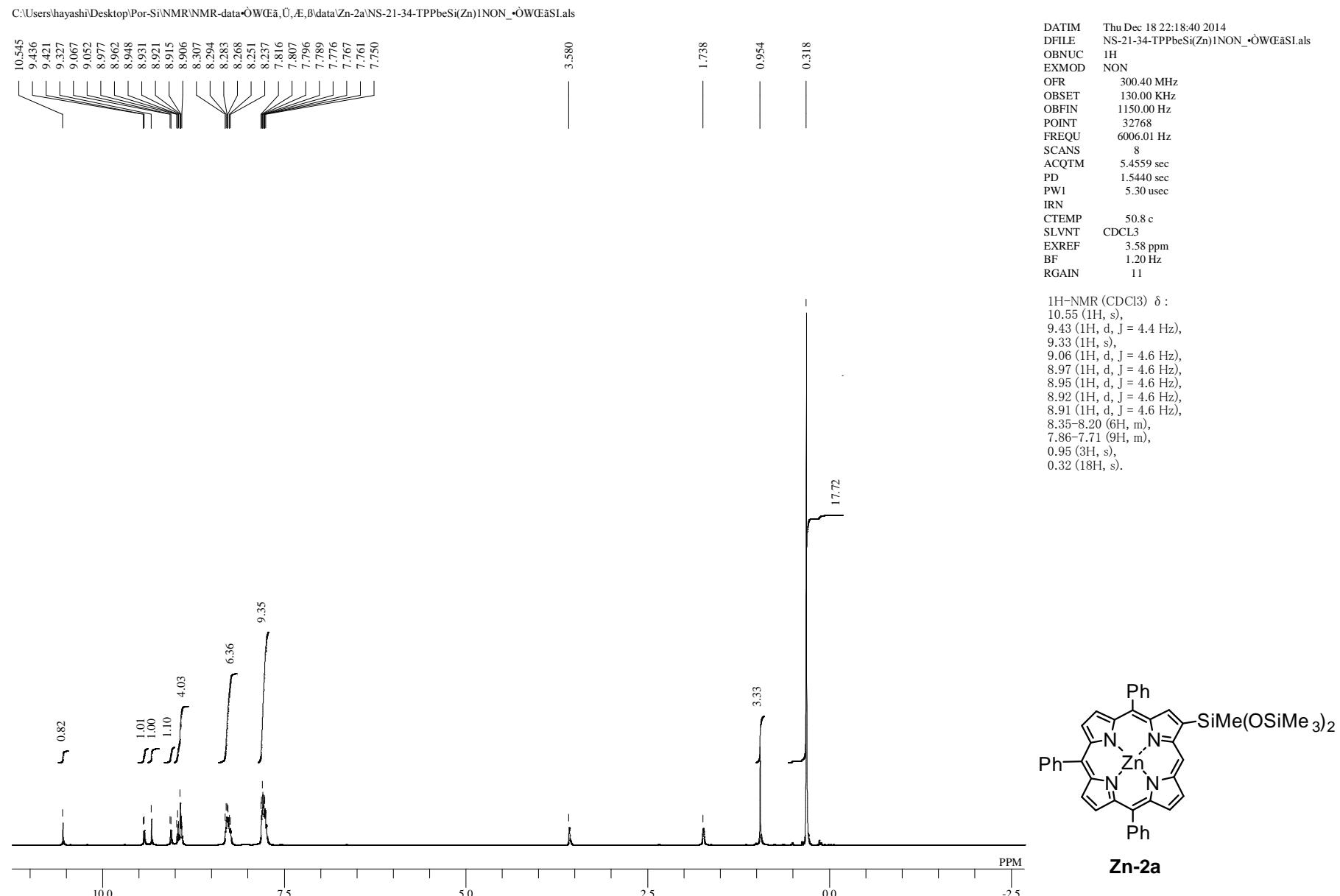
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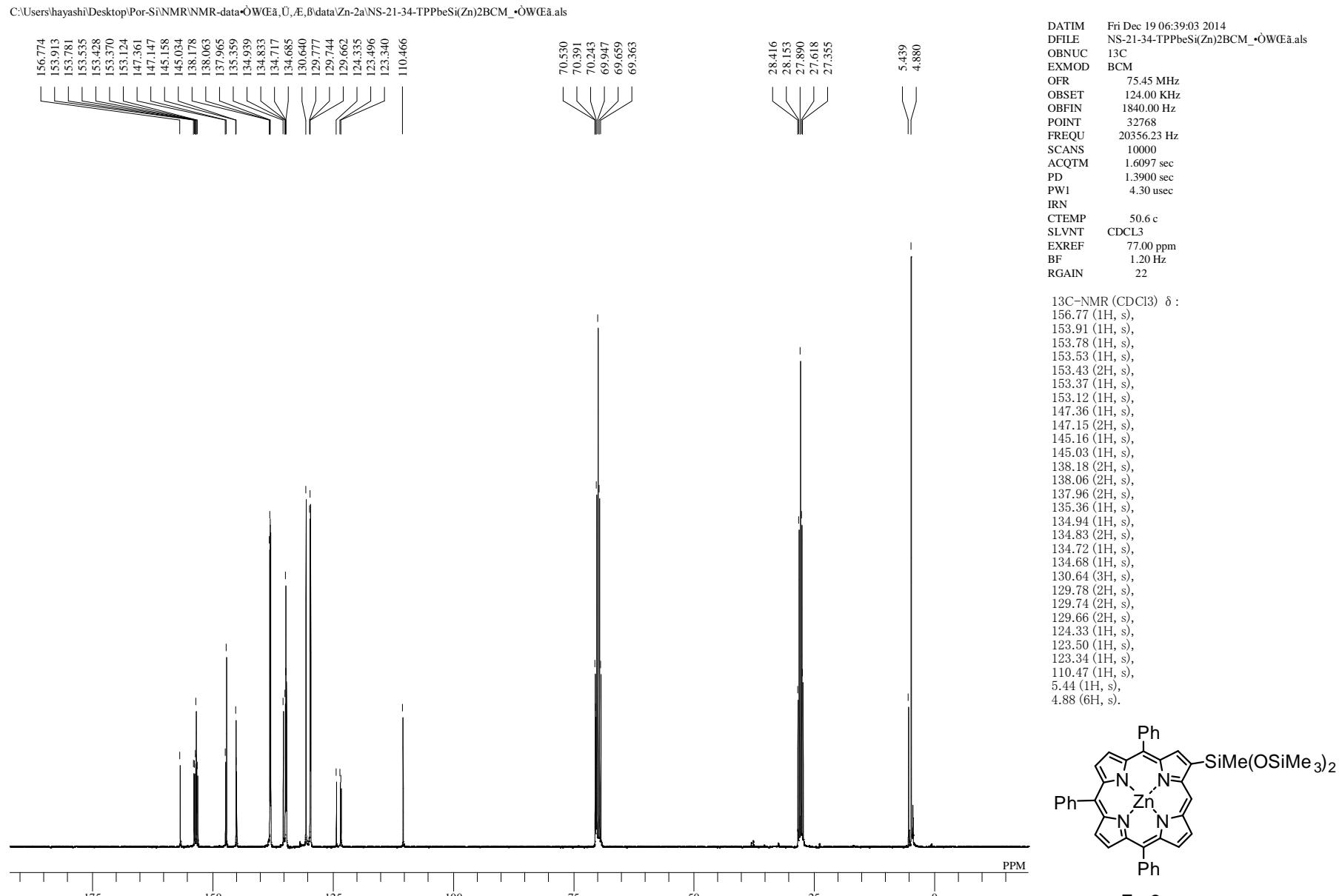
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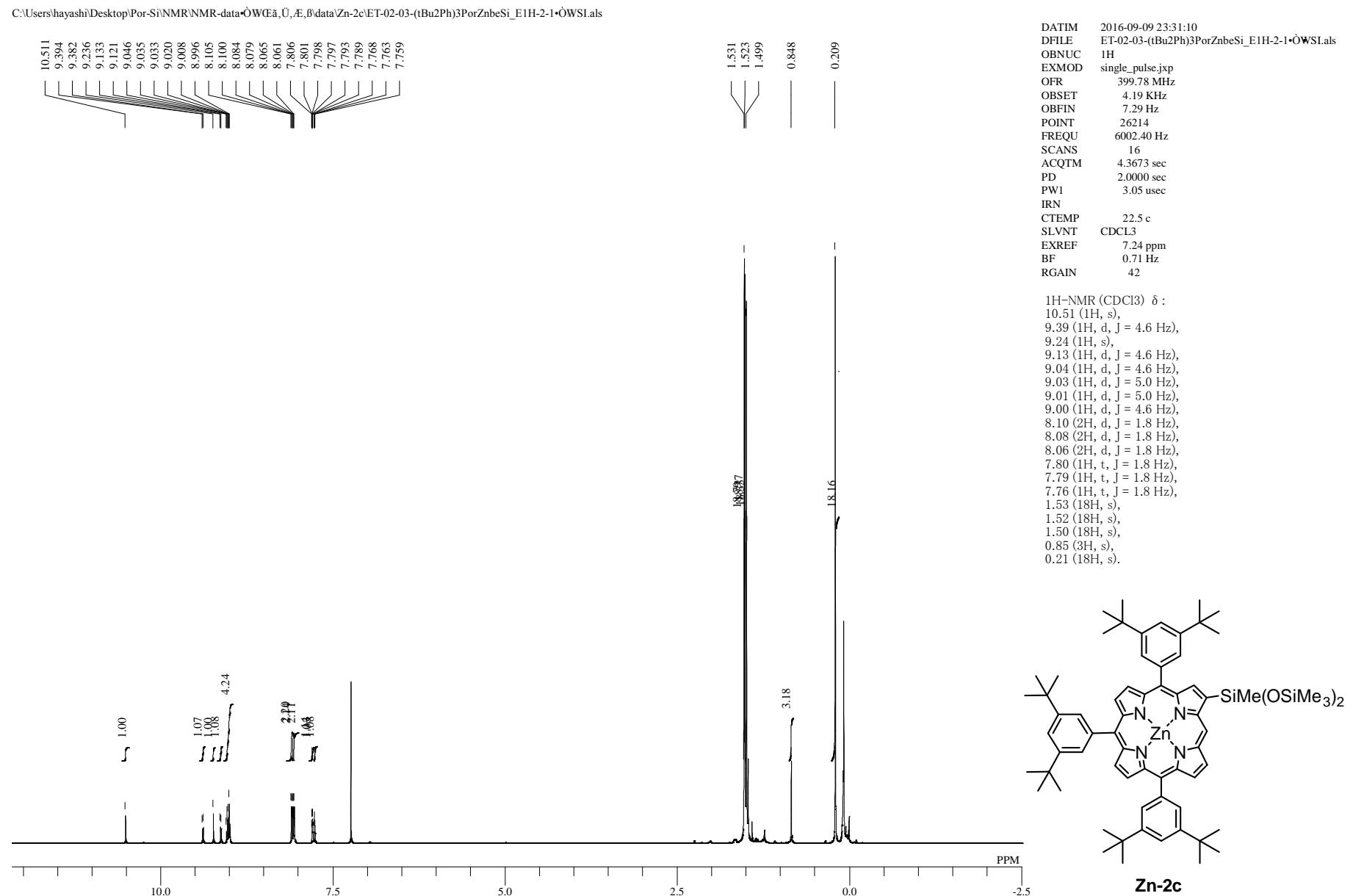
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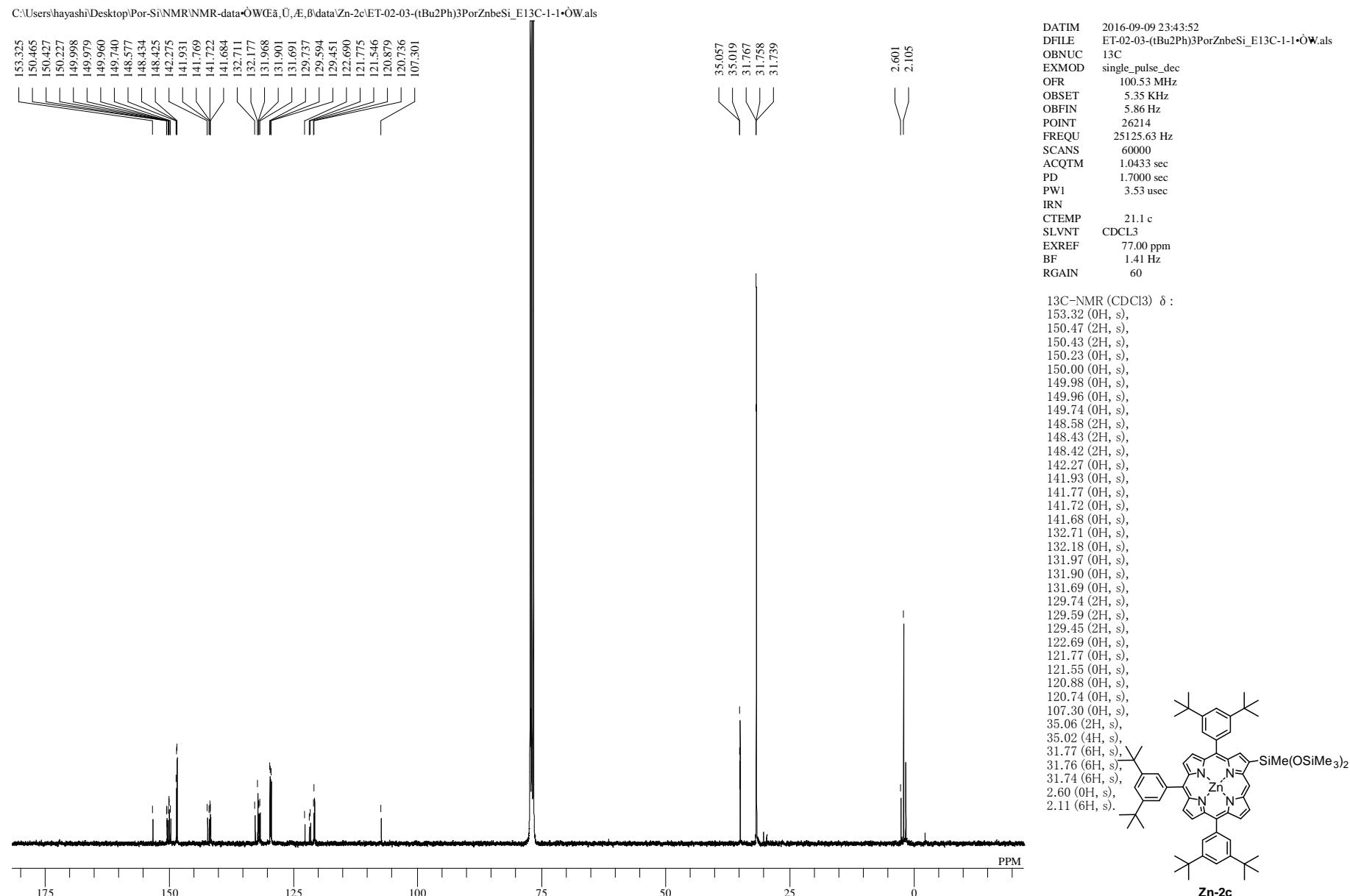
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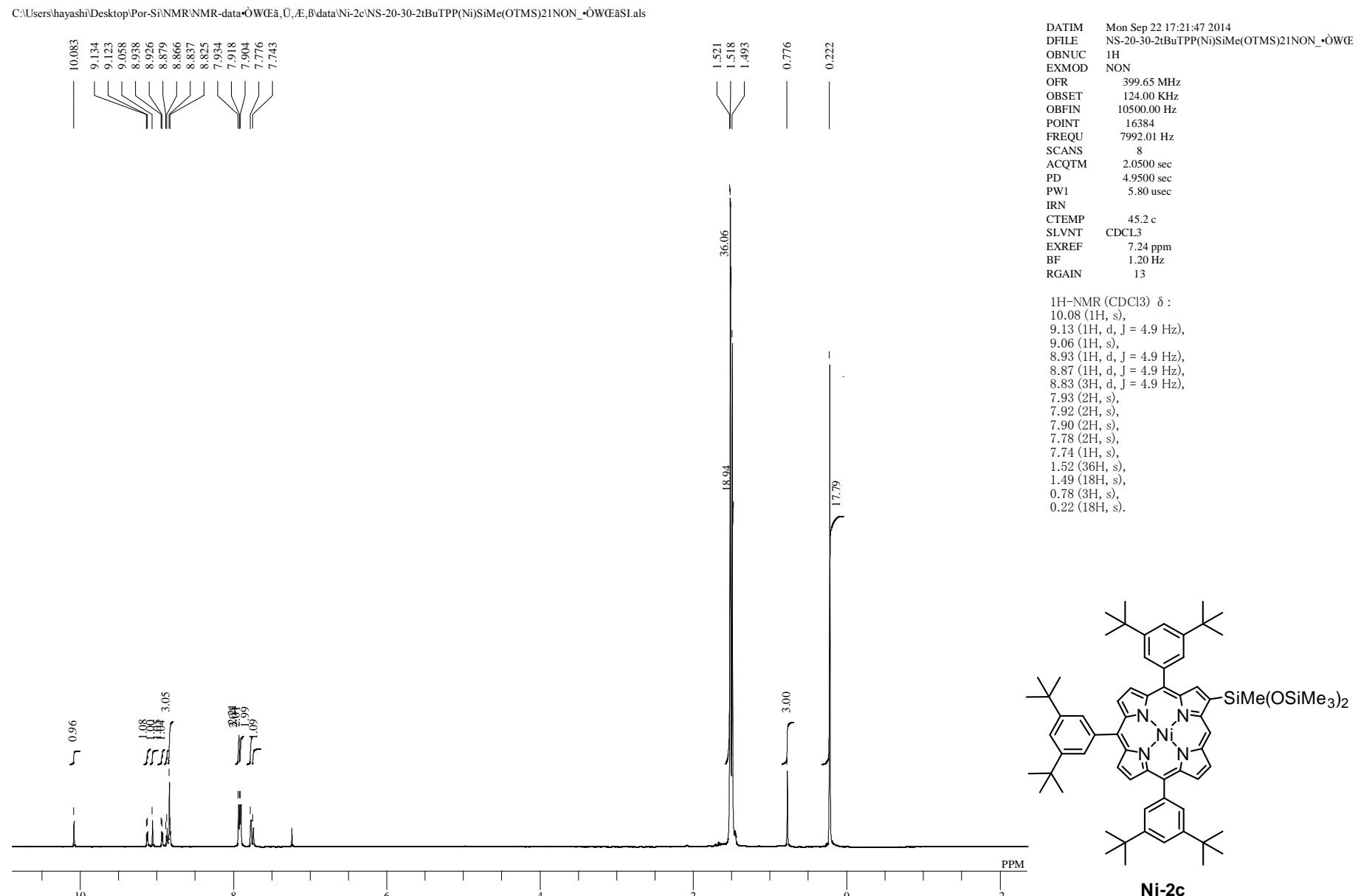
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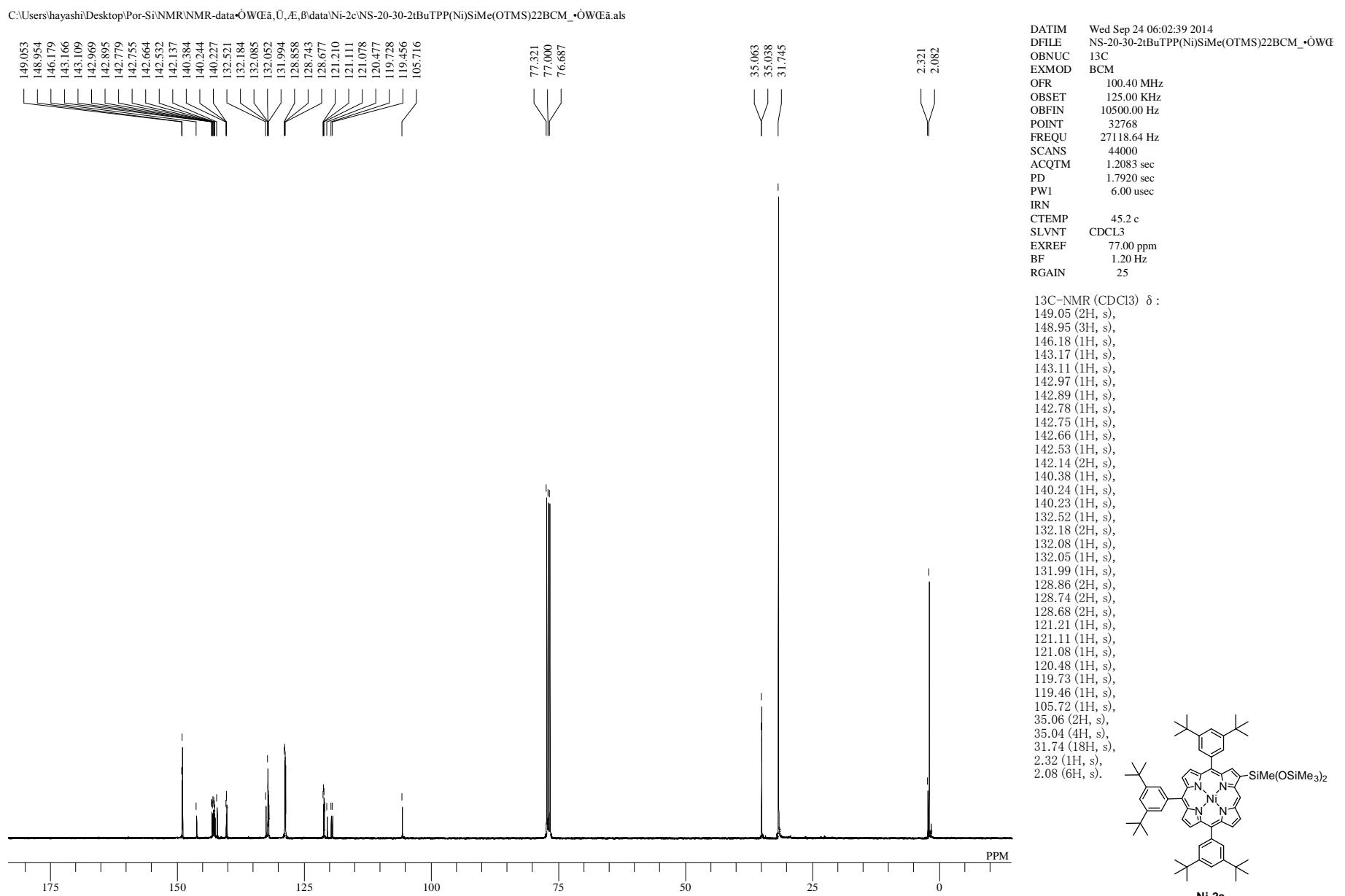
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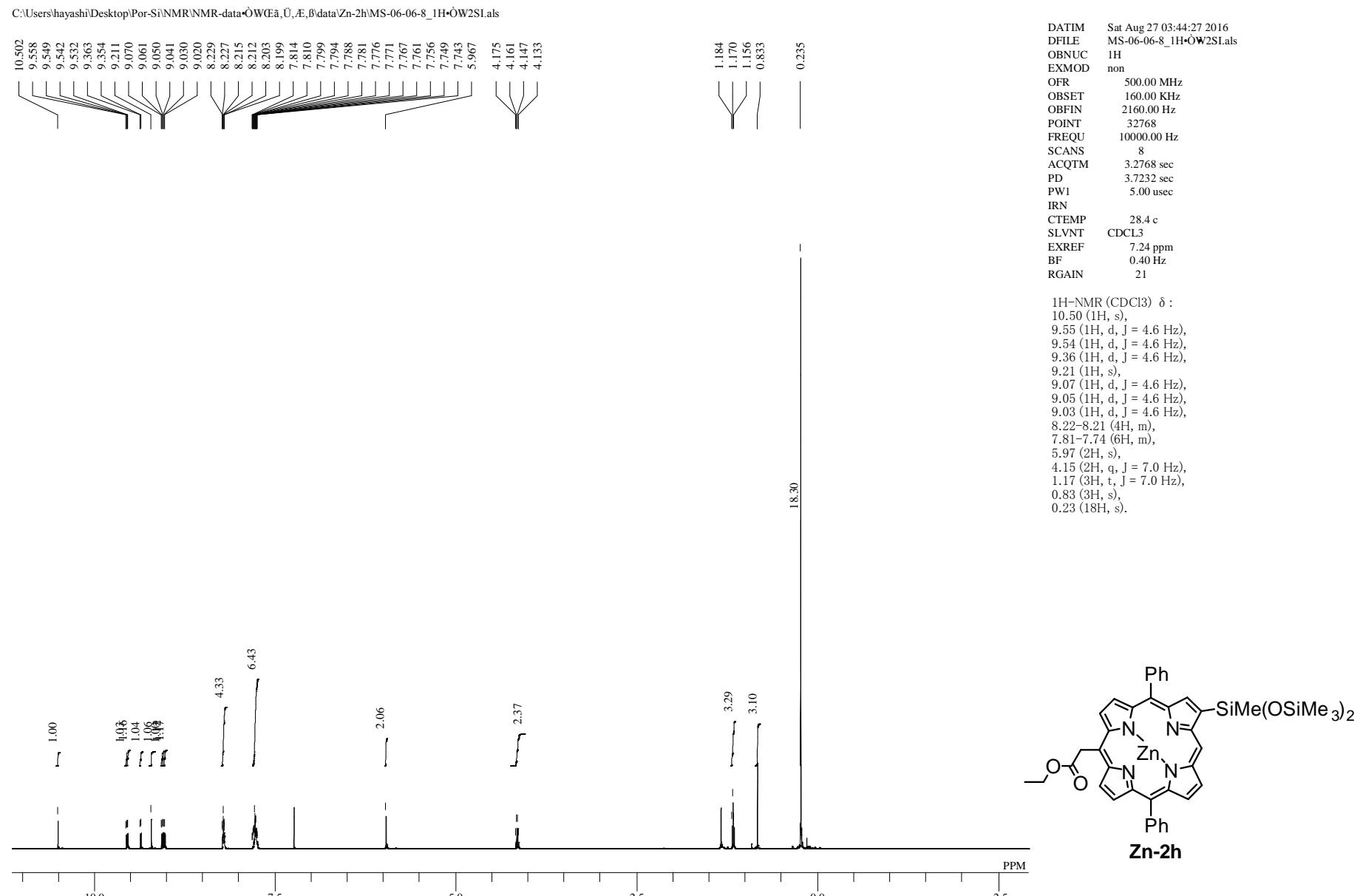
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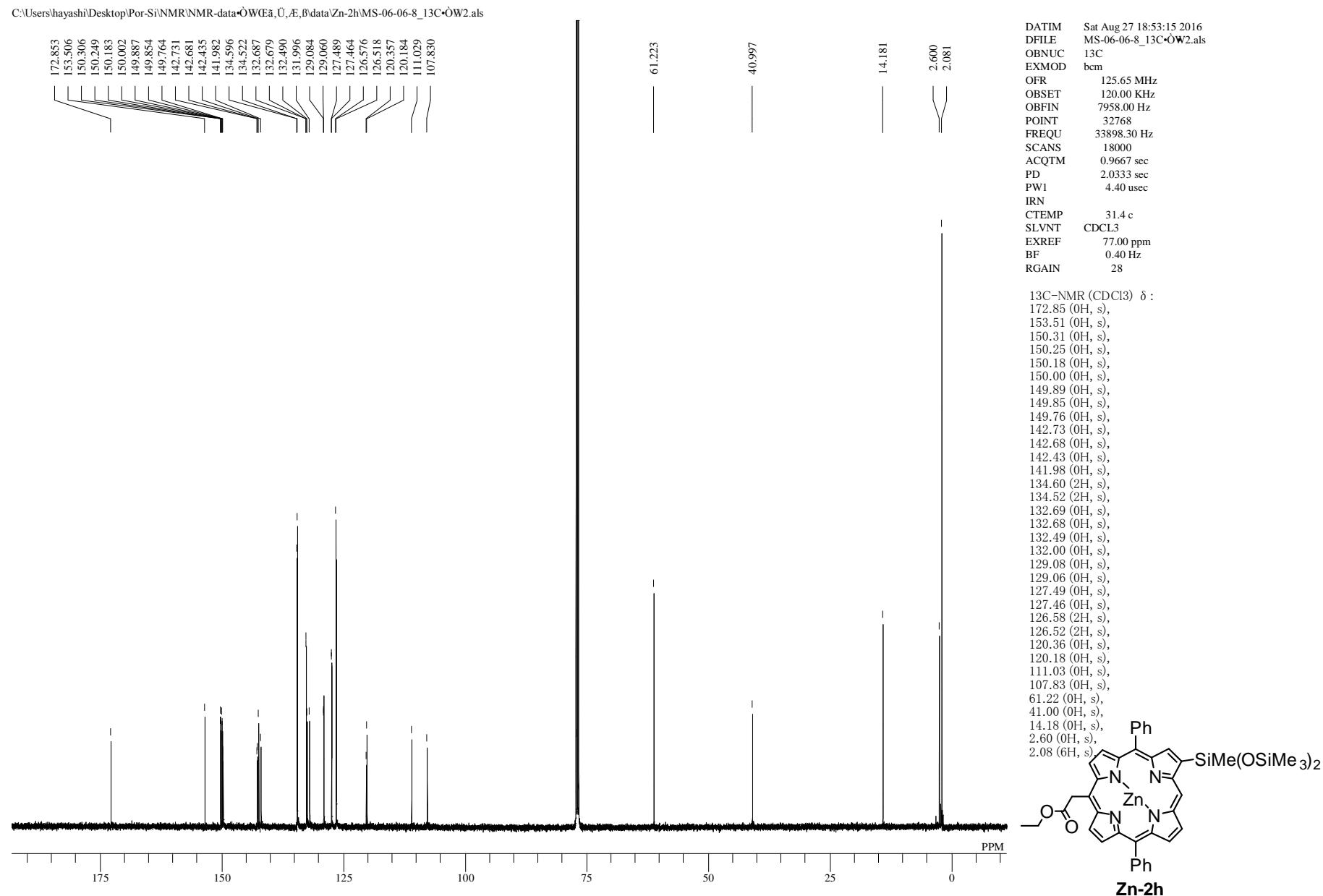
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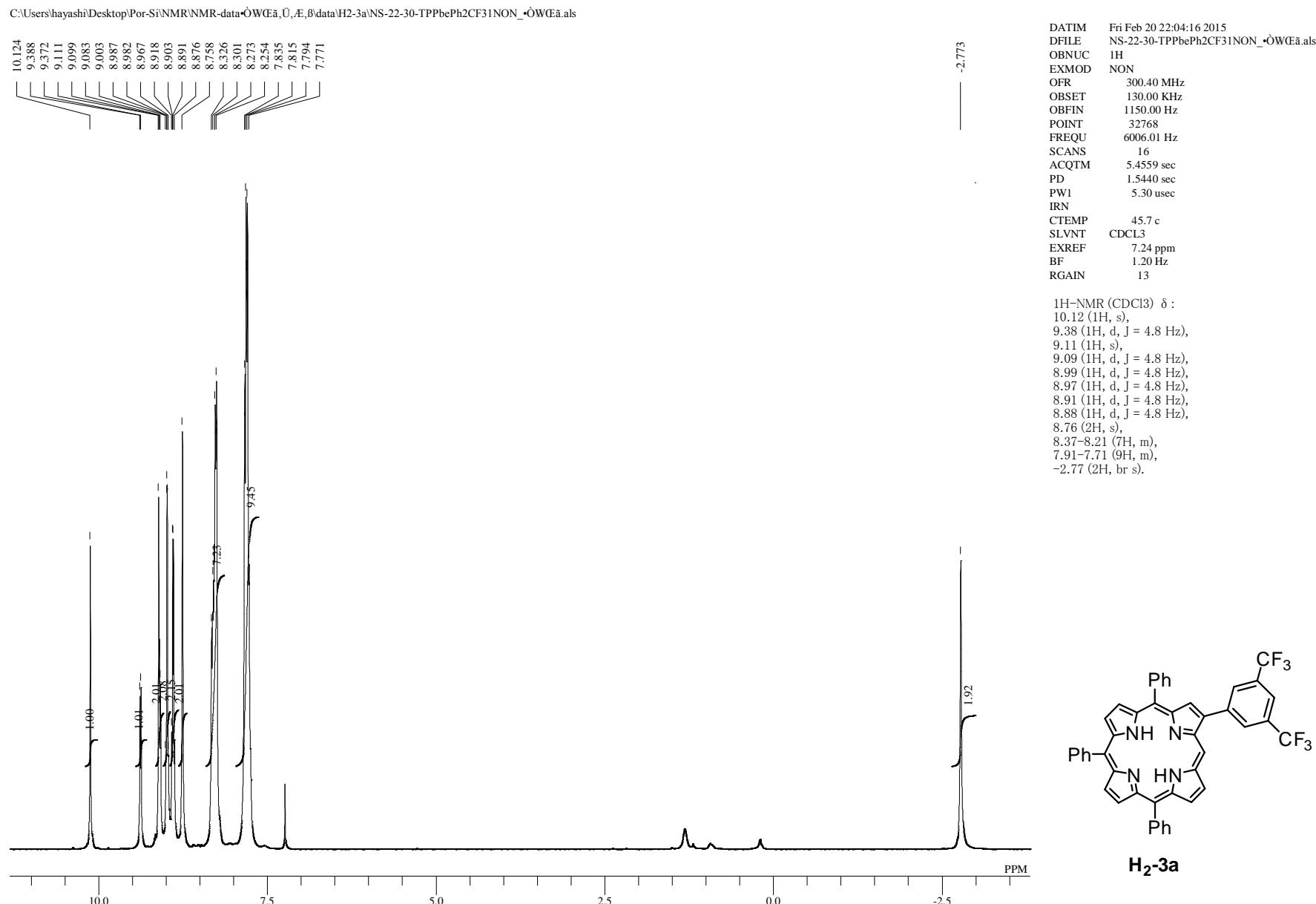
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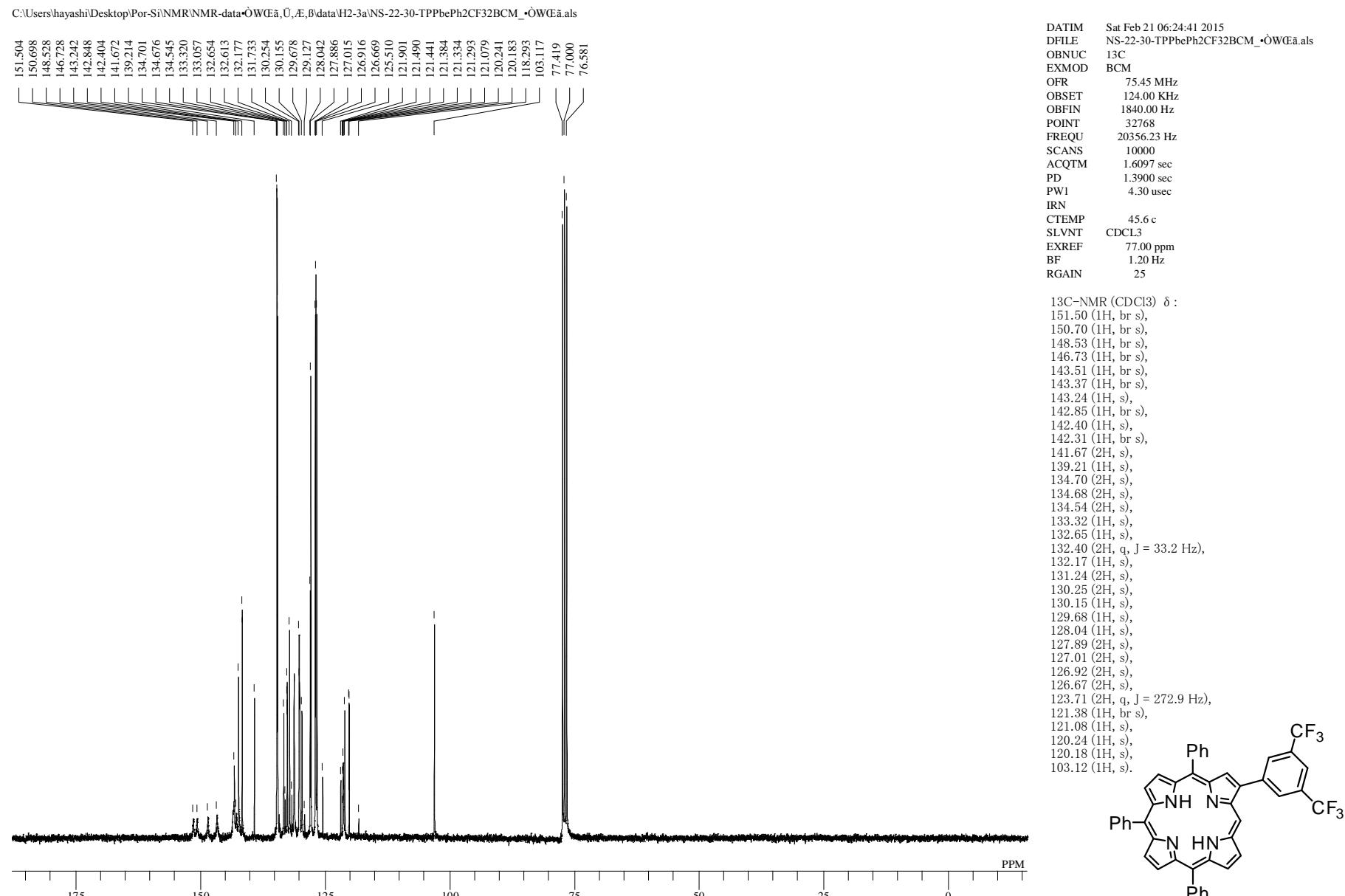
**Fig. S43**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **Zn-2h** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



**Fig. S44**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-3a** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

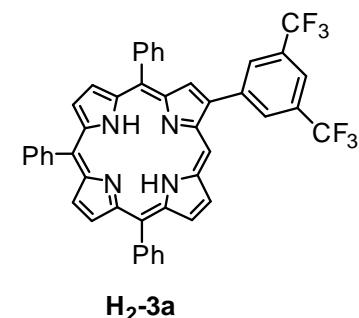
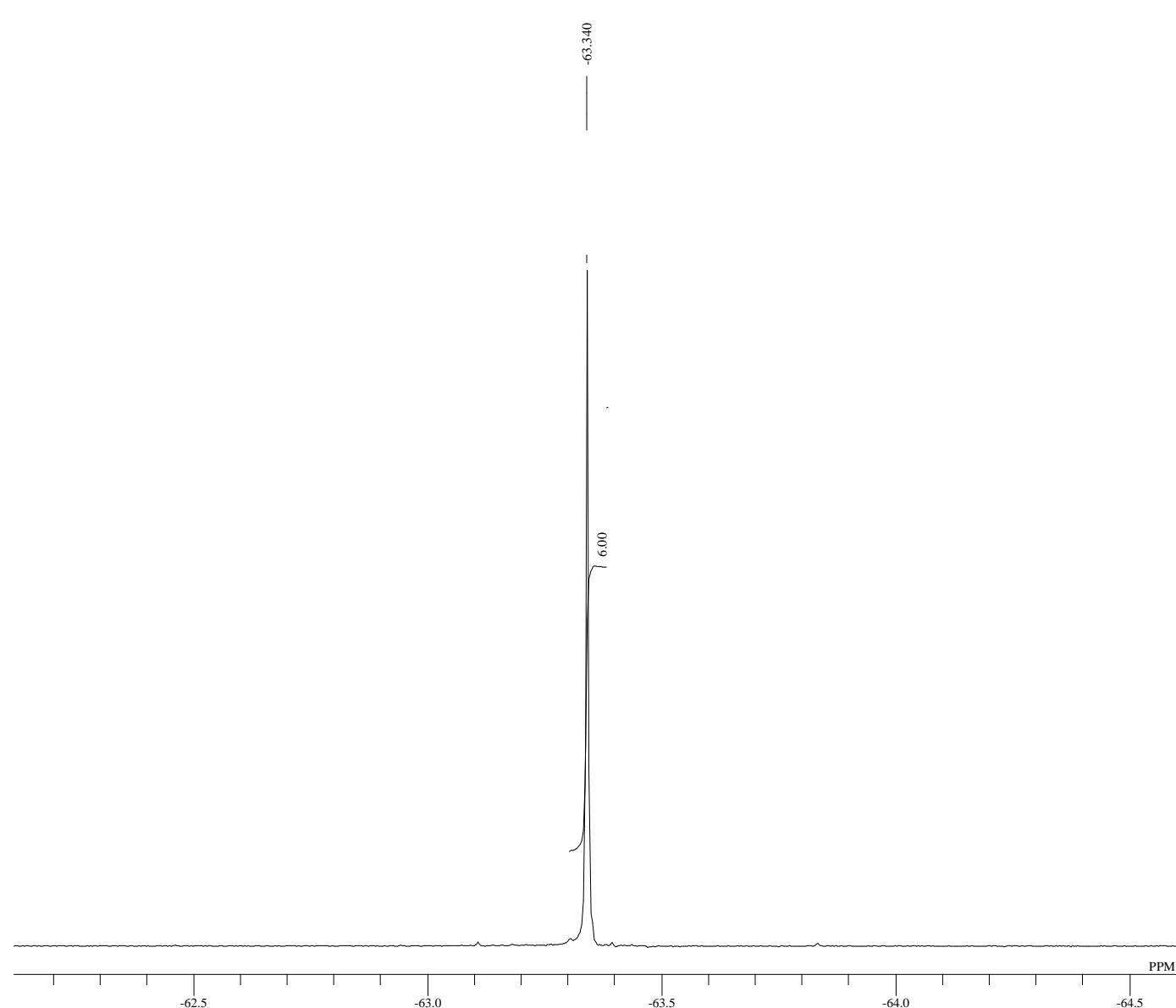


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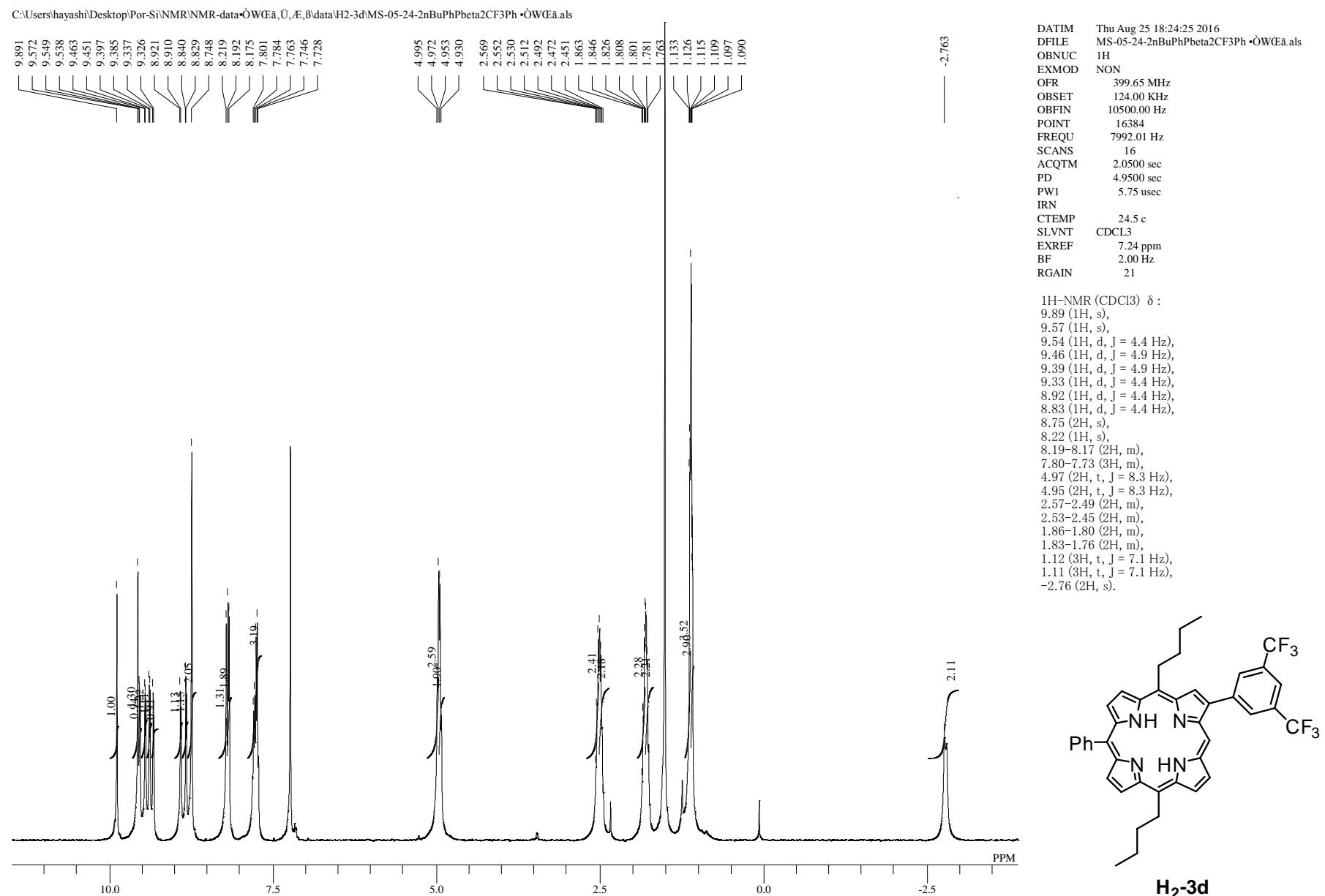


**Fig. S46**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-3a** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

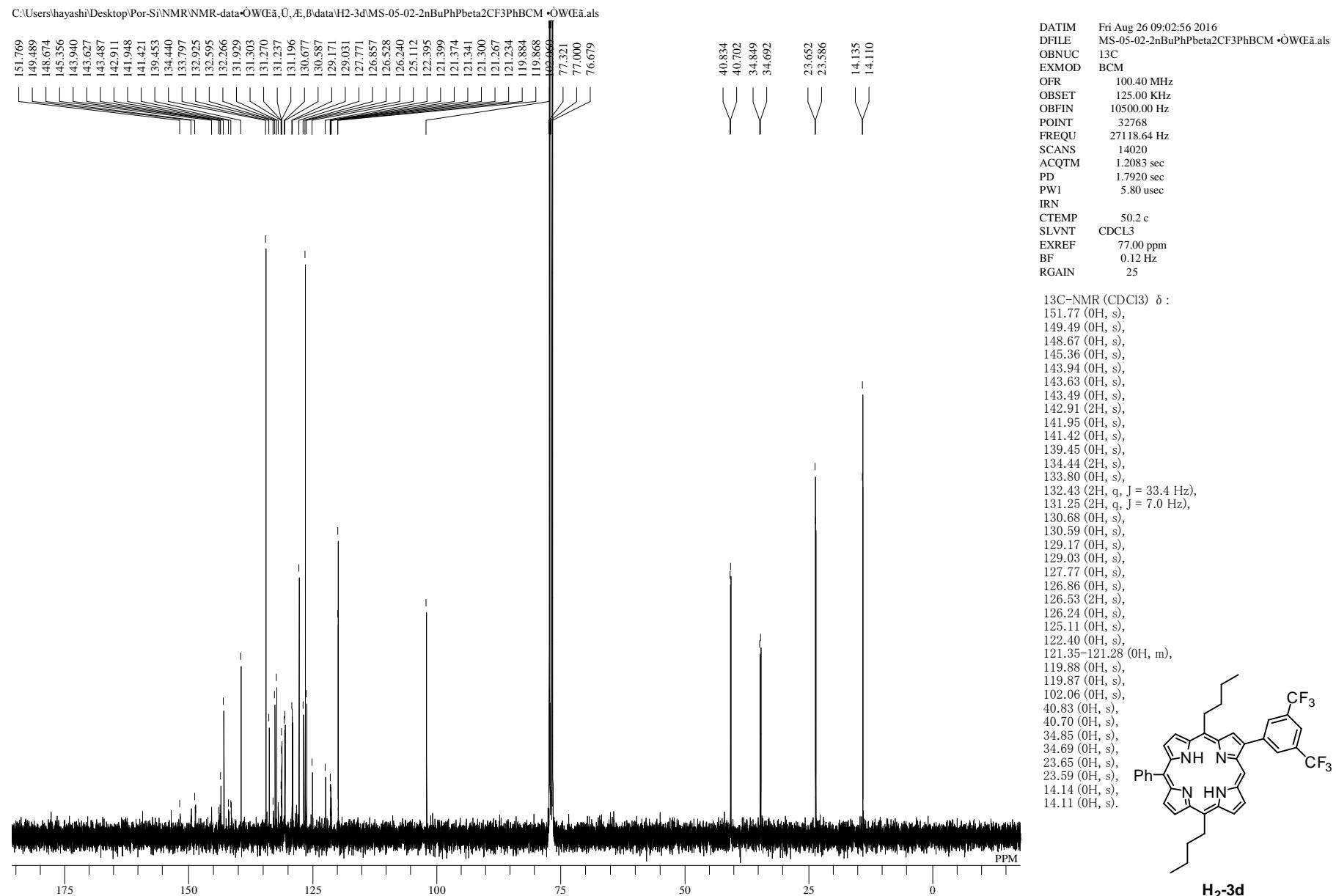
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**Fig. S47**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-3d** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

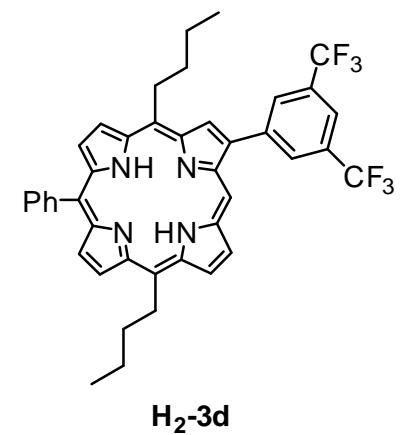
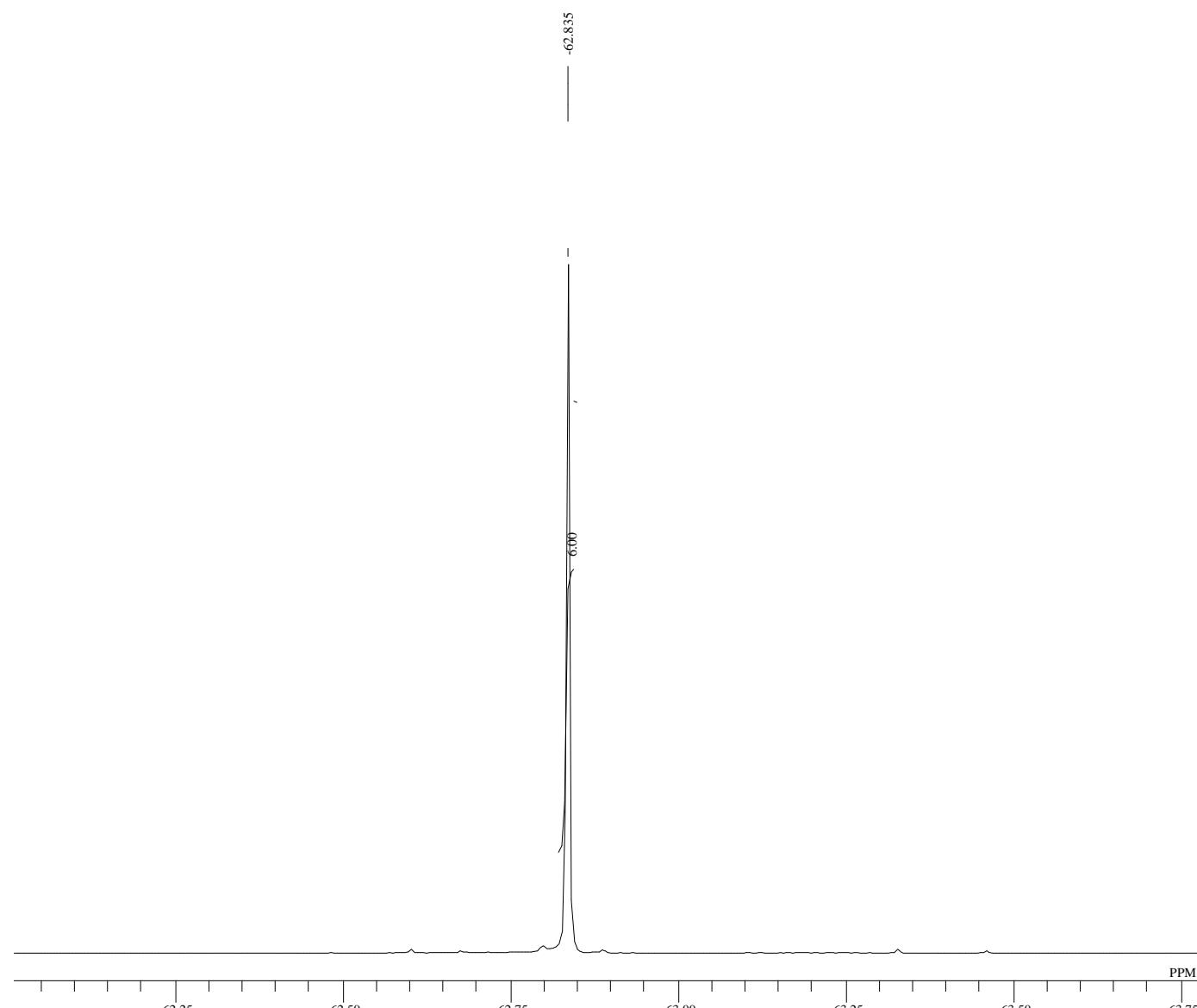


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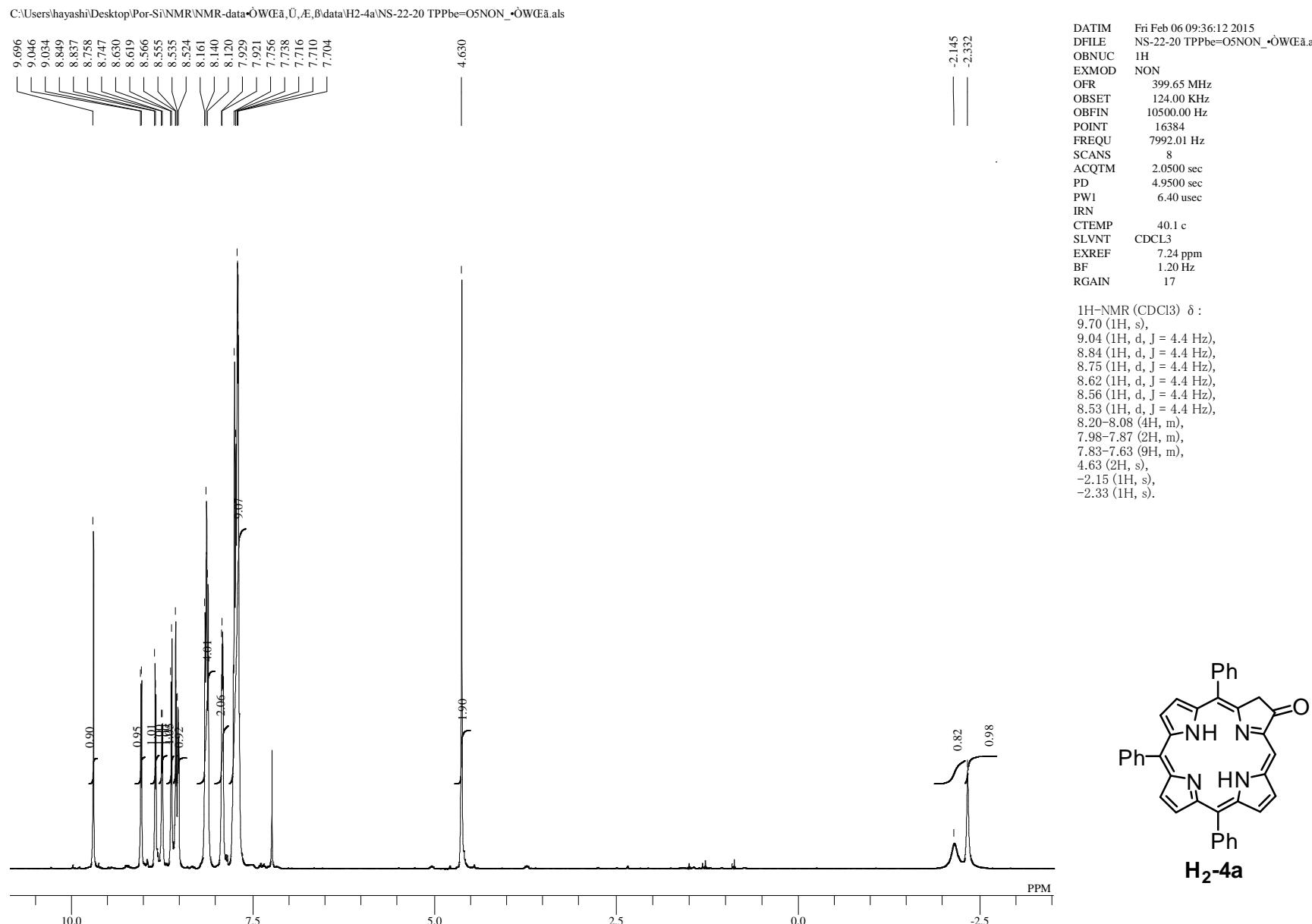


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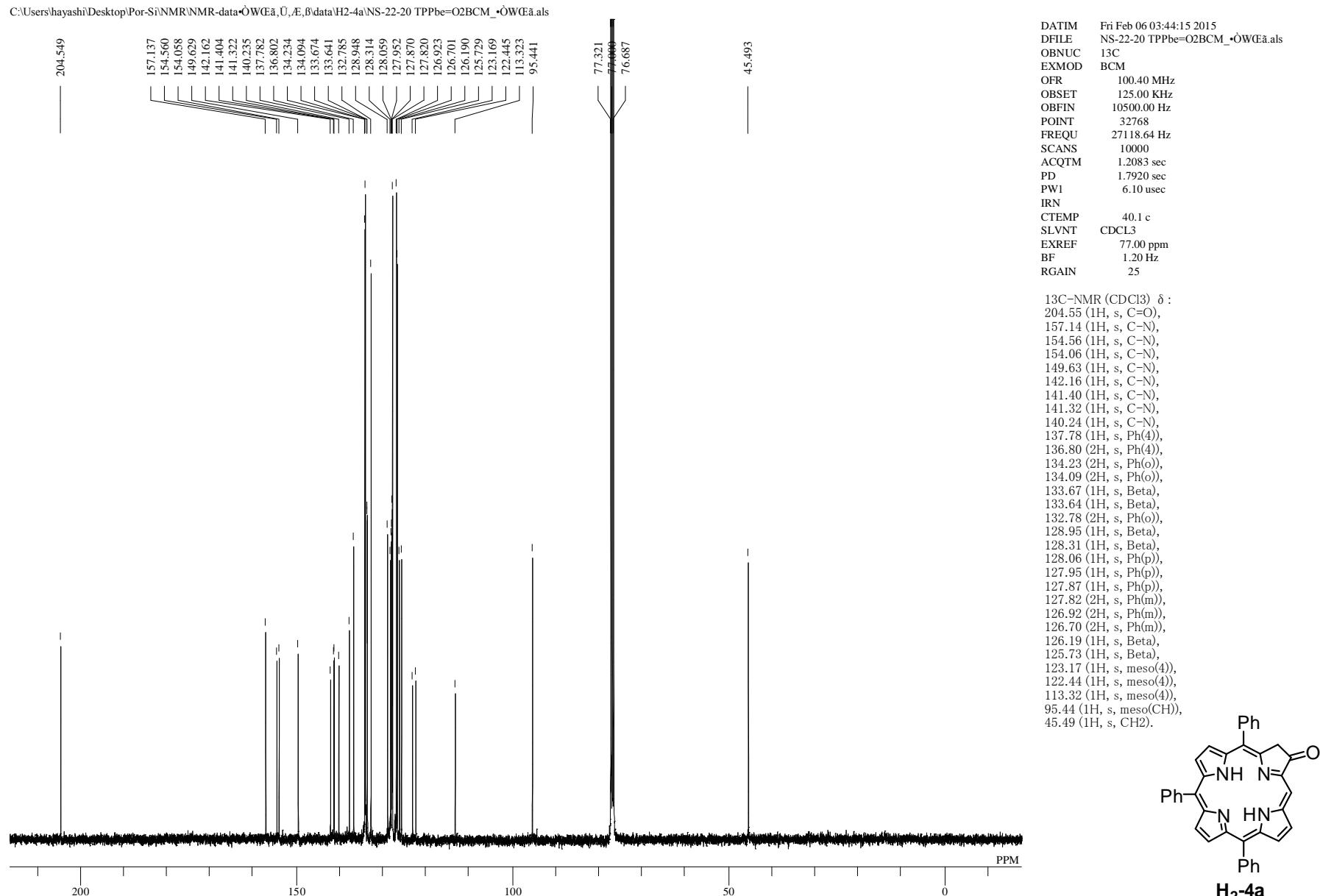
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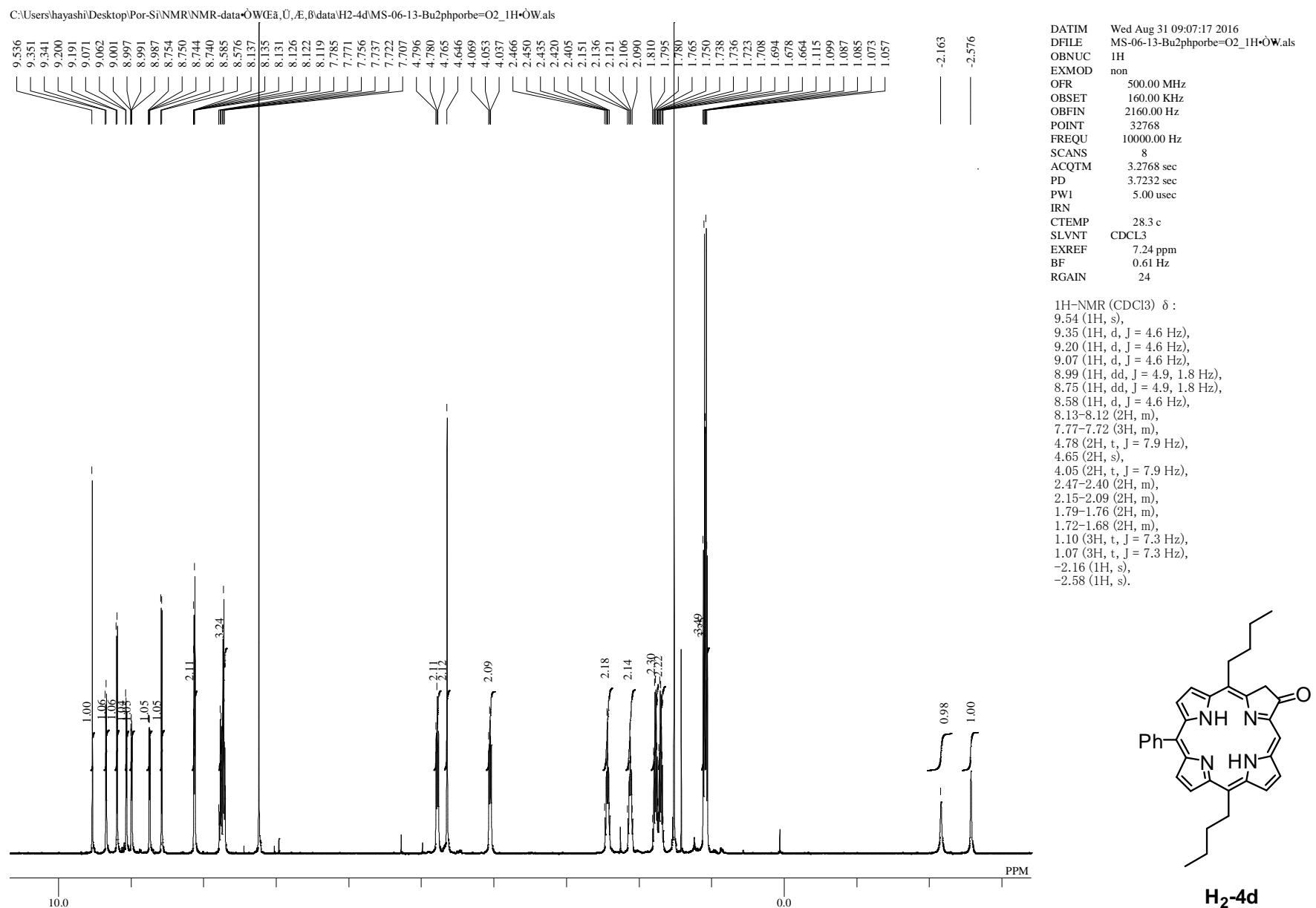
**Fig. S50**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-4a** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



**Fig. S51**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-4a** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

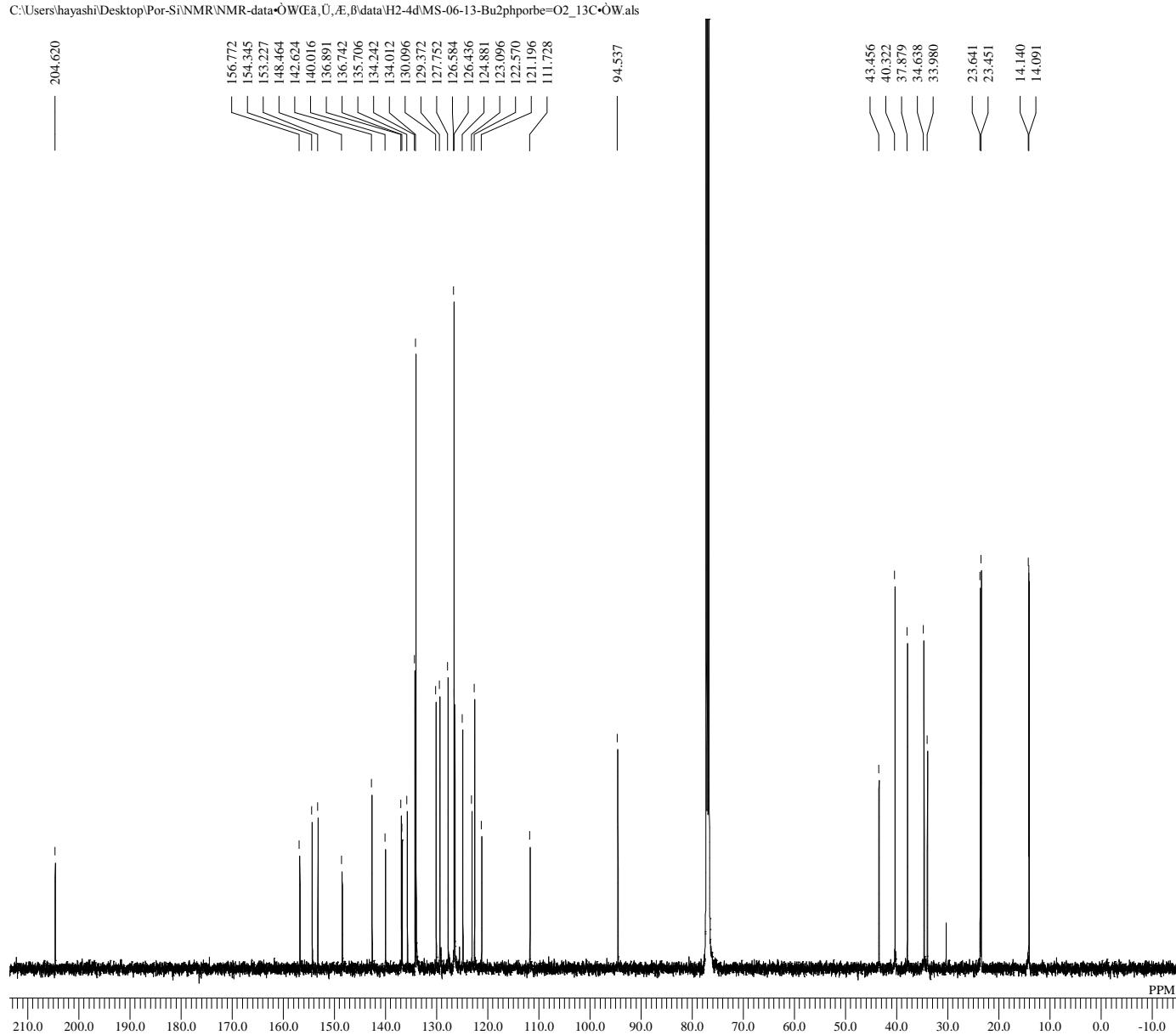


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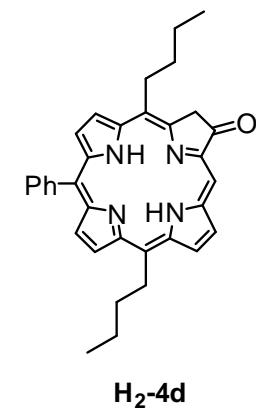
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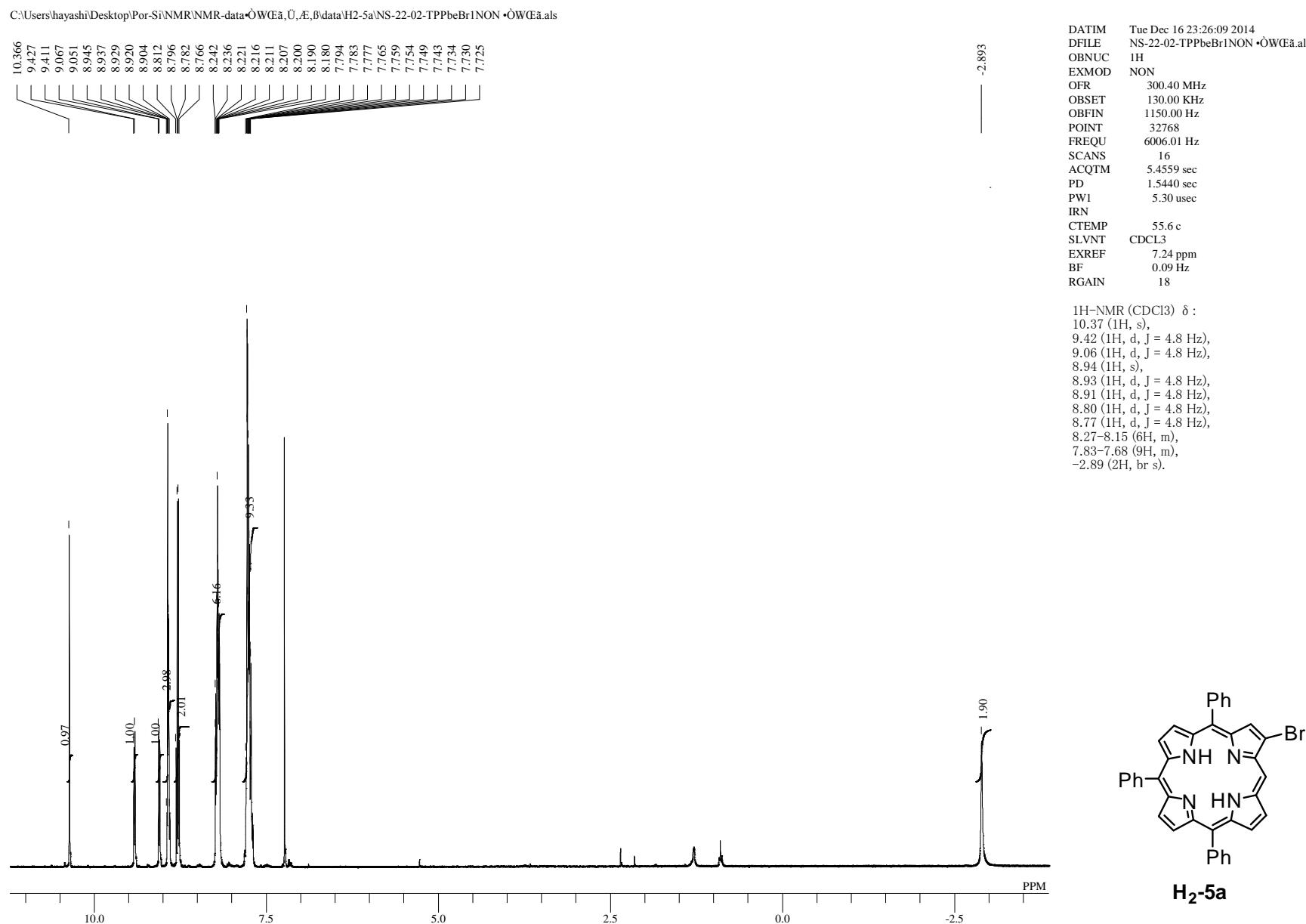


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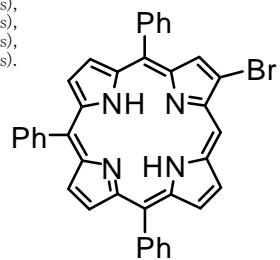
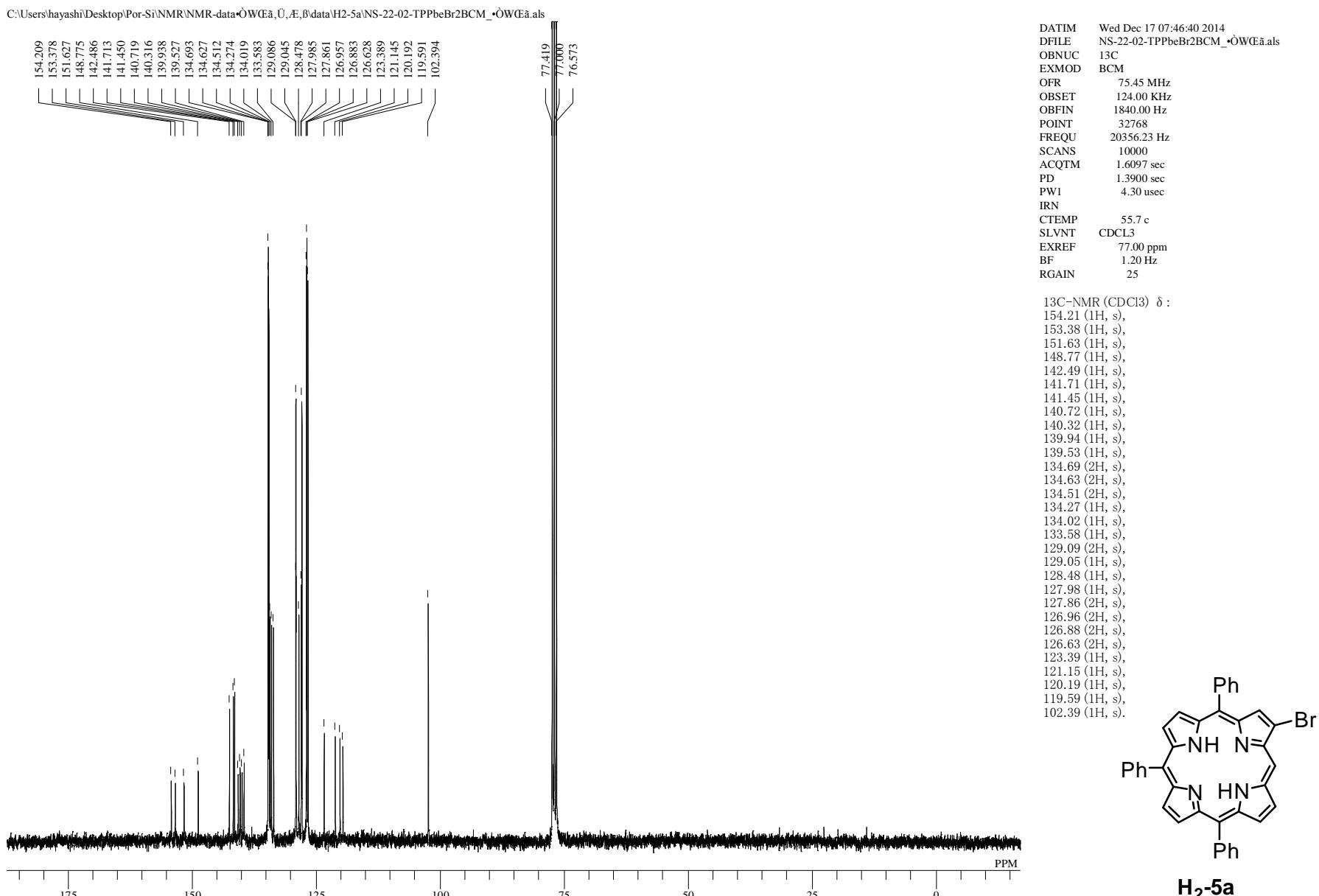
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**Fig. S54**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-5a** (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

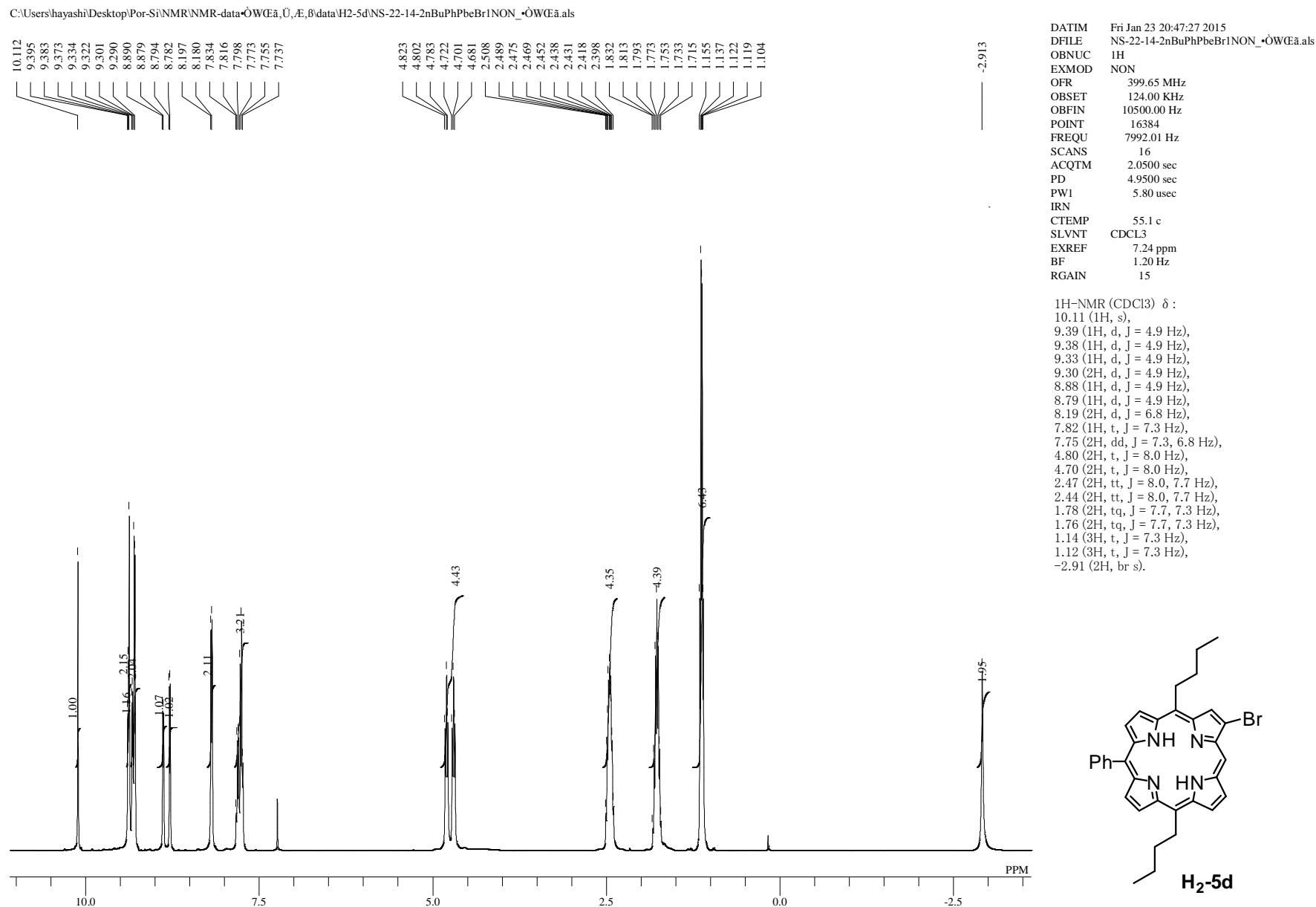


**Fig. S55**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-5a** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

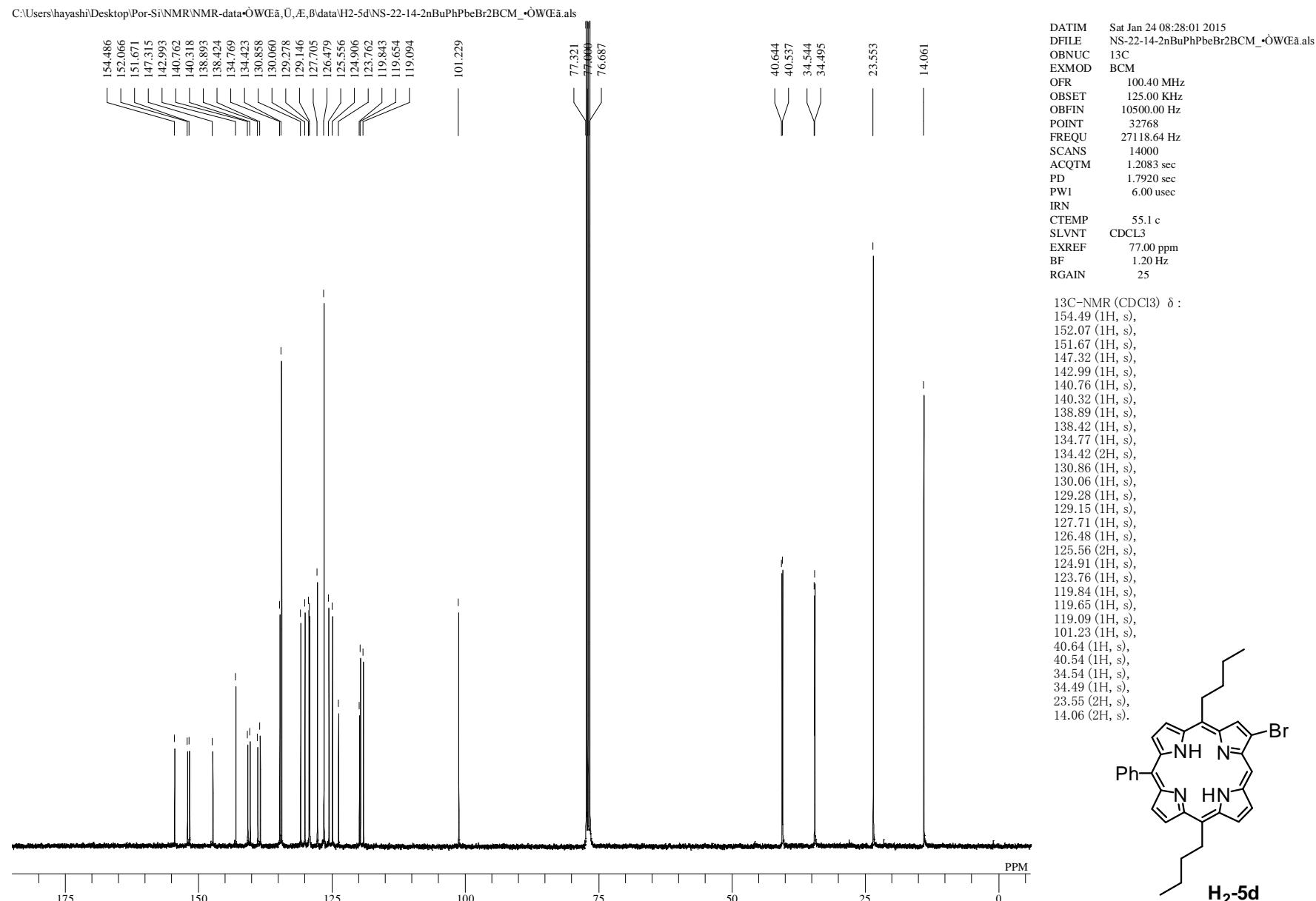


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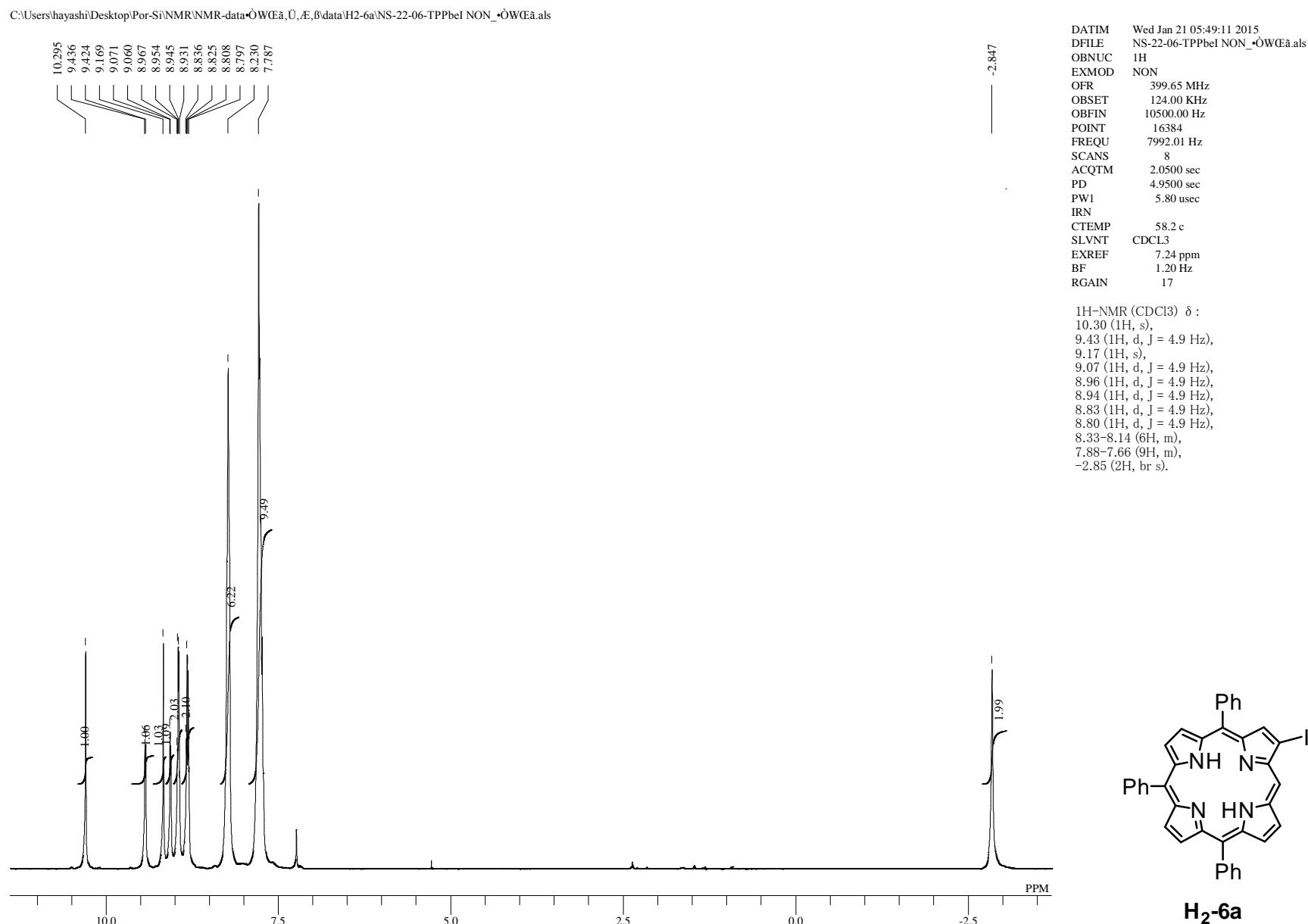
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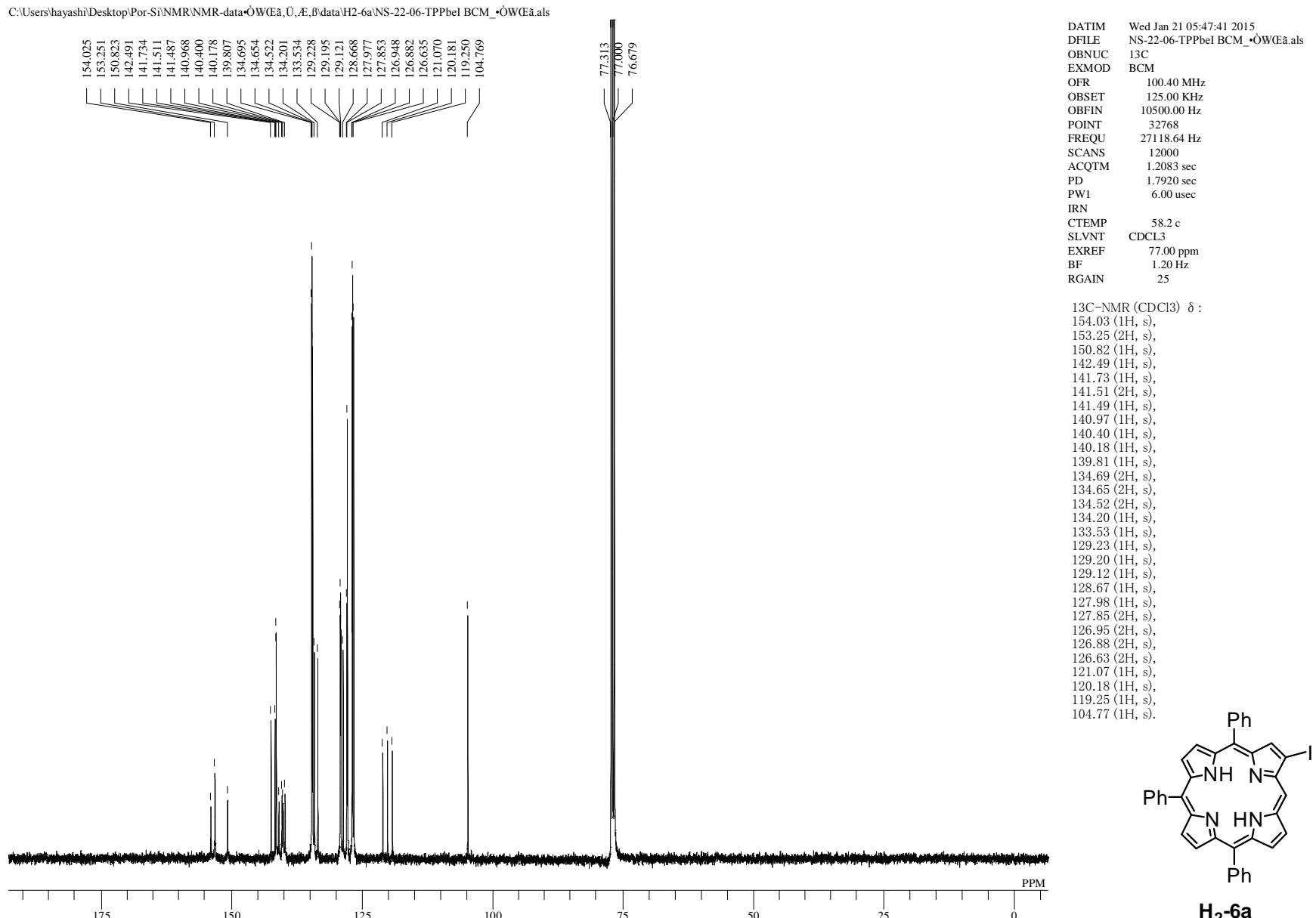
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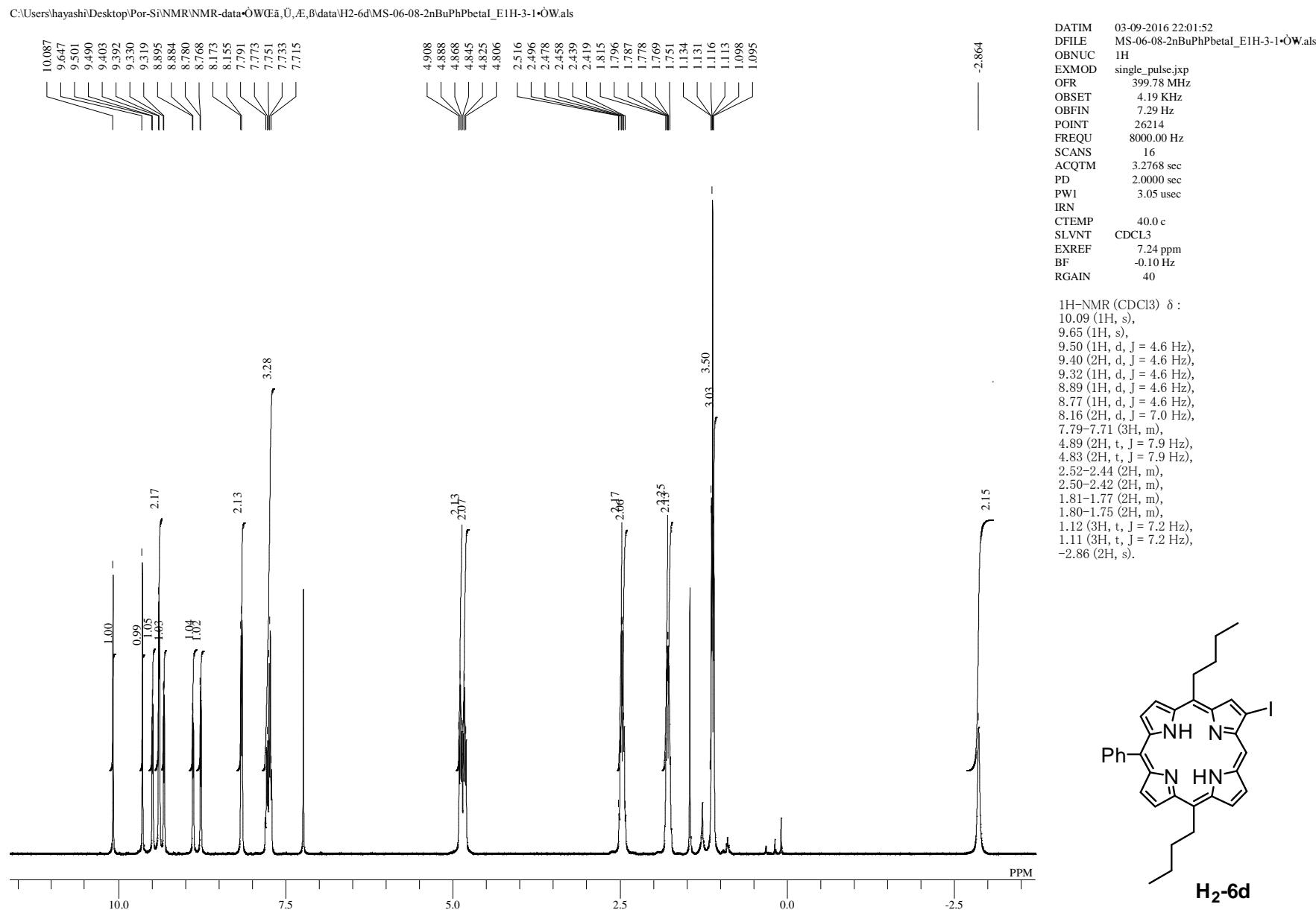
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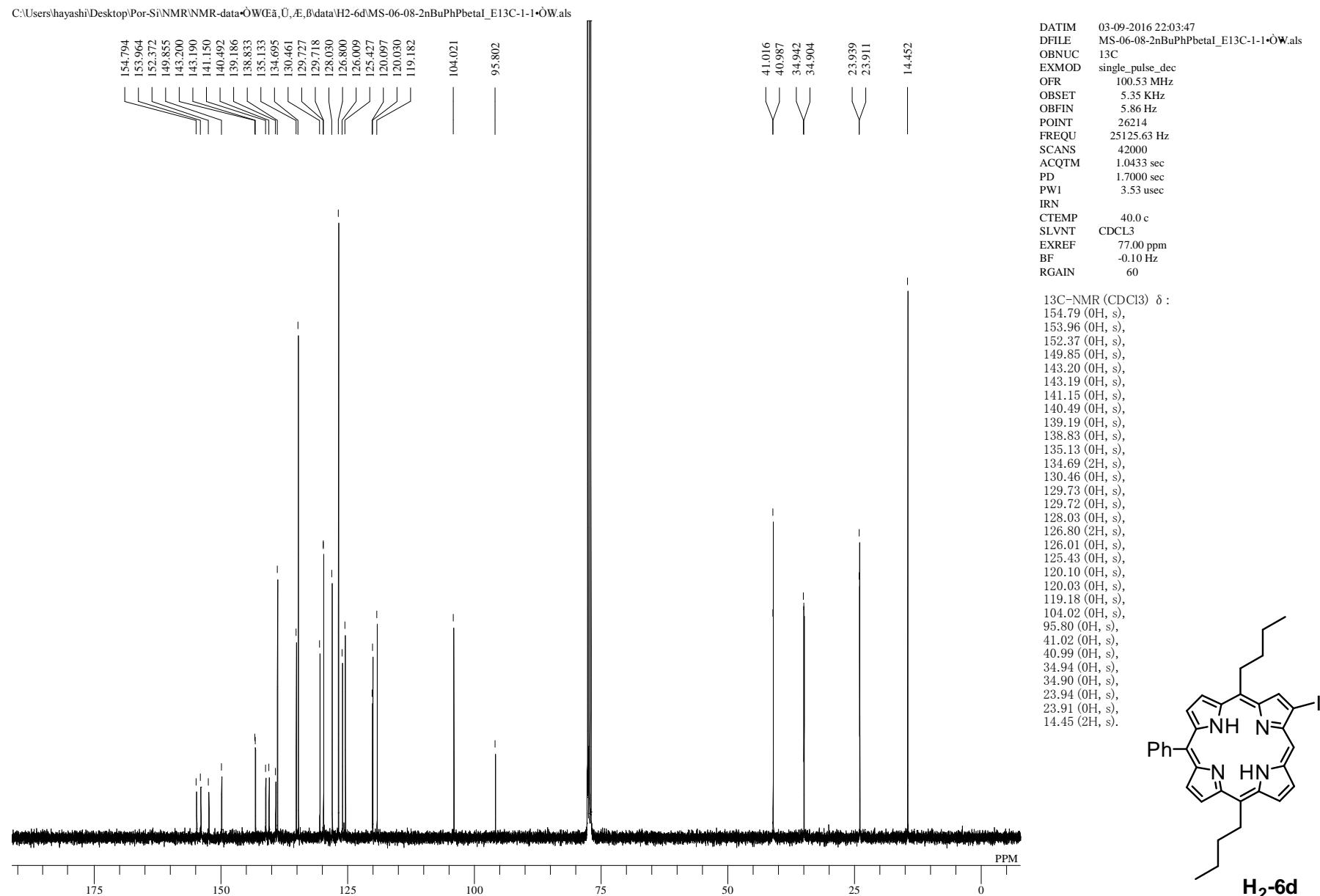
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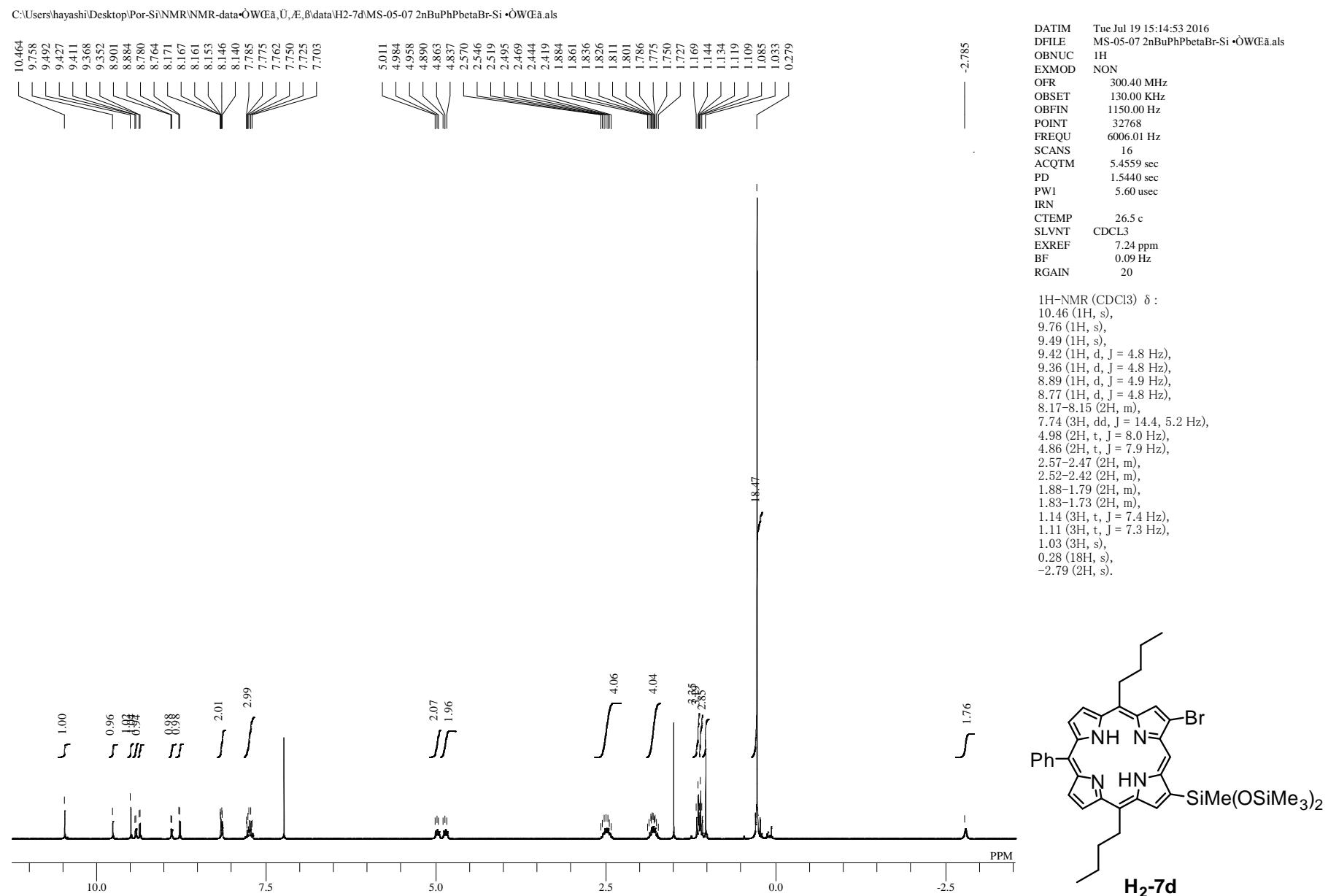
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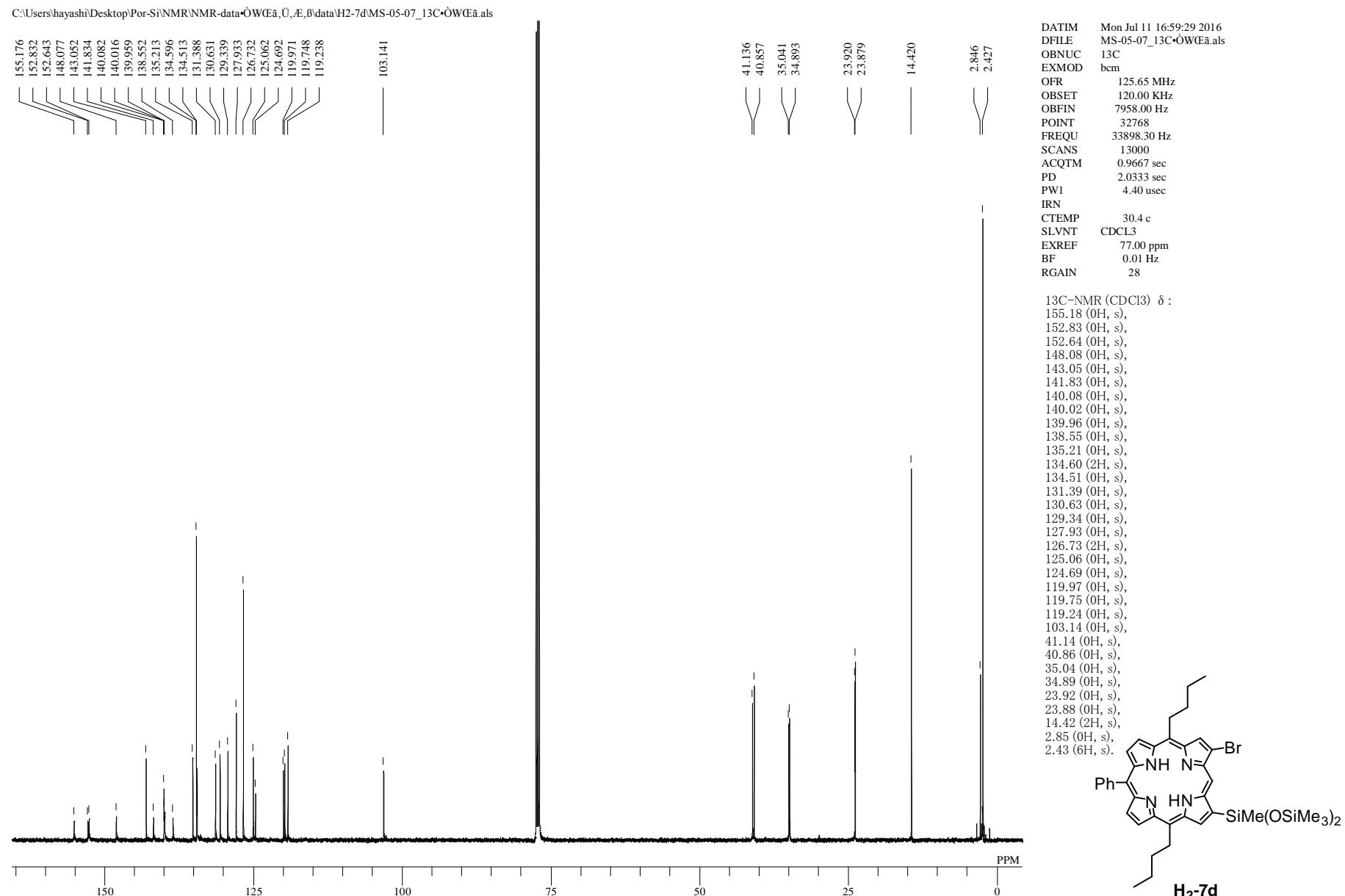
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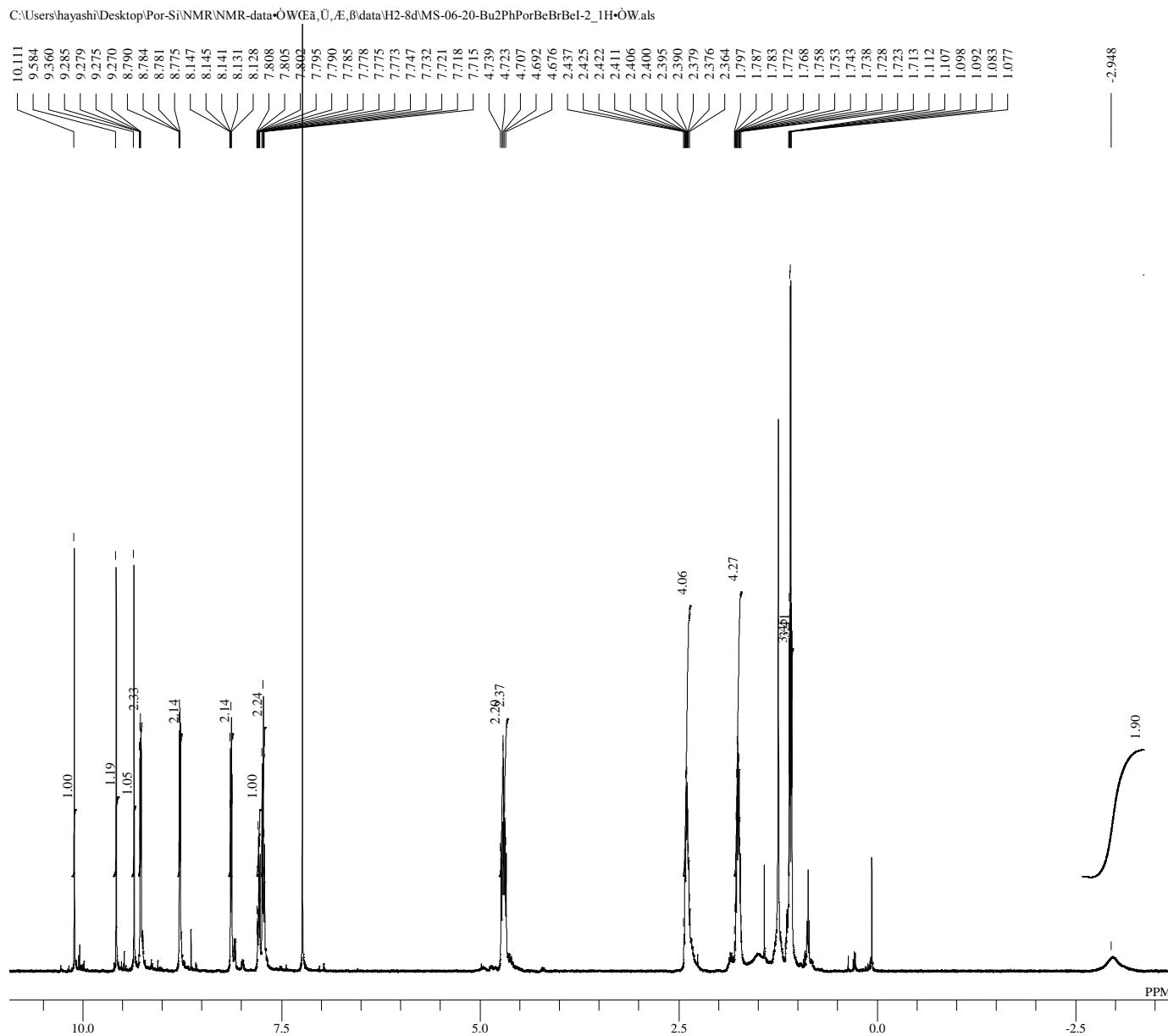
**Fig. S62**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-7d** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



**Fig. S63**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-7d** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )



**Fig. S64**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-8d** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

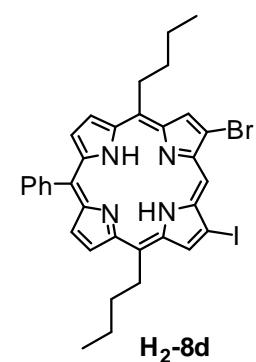


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**Fig. S65**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **H<sub>2</sub>-8d** (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

