

Supporting Information for

**Stereoisomers of an azine-linked donor-acceptor conjugated
polymer: the impact of molecular conformation on electrical
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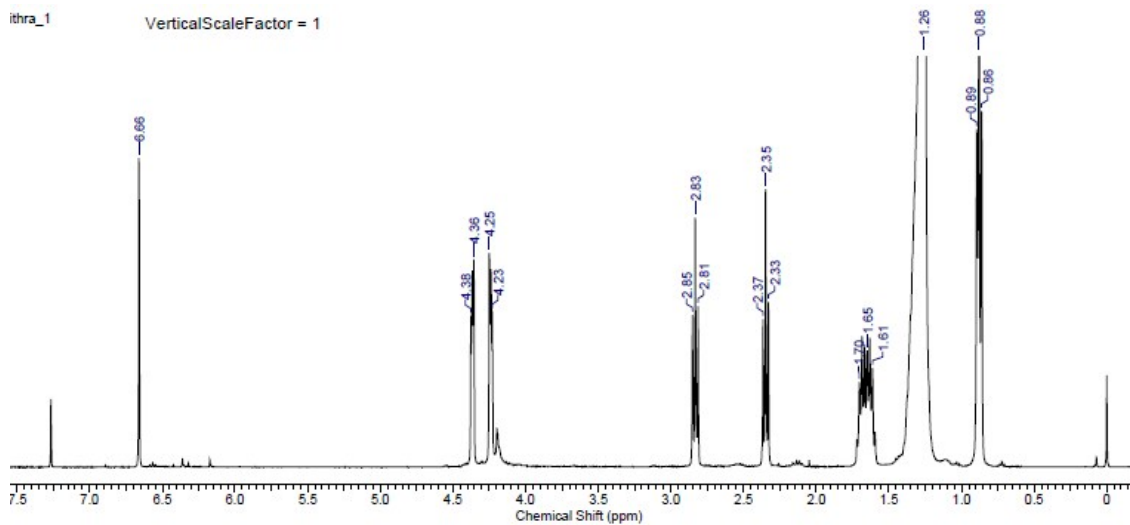


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **1**

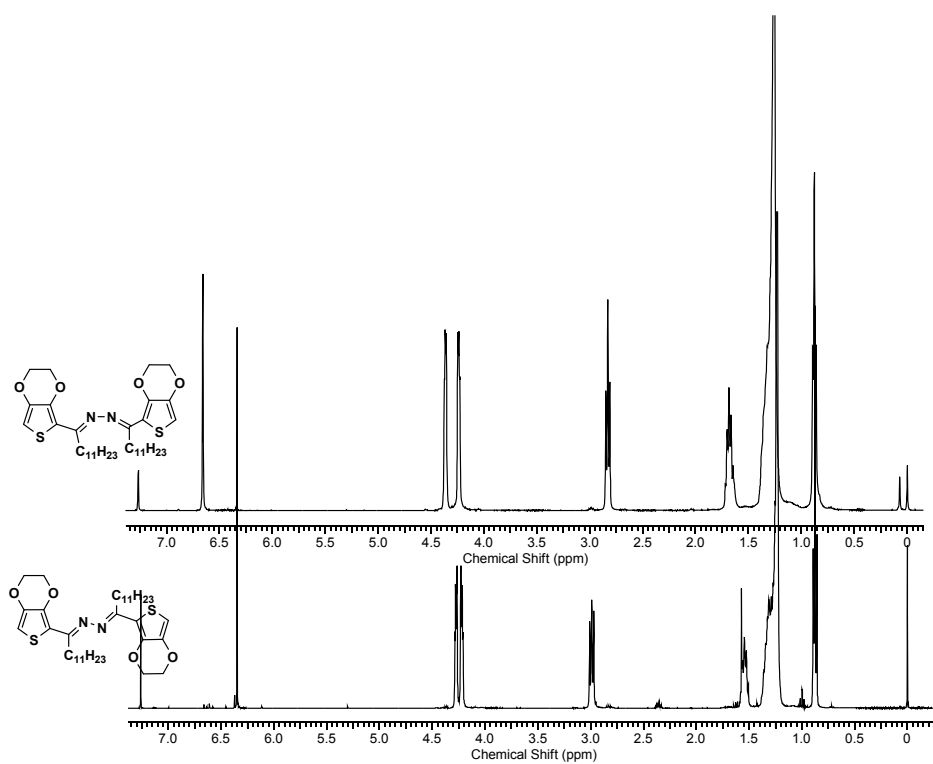


Figure S2. ^1H NMR spectra of the azine molecule **2a**(lower) and **2b** (upper)

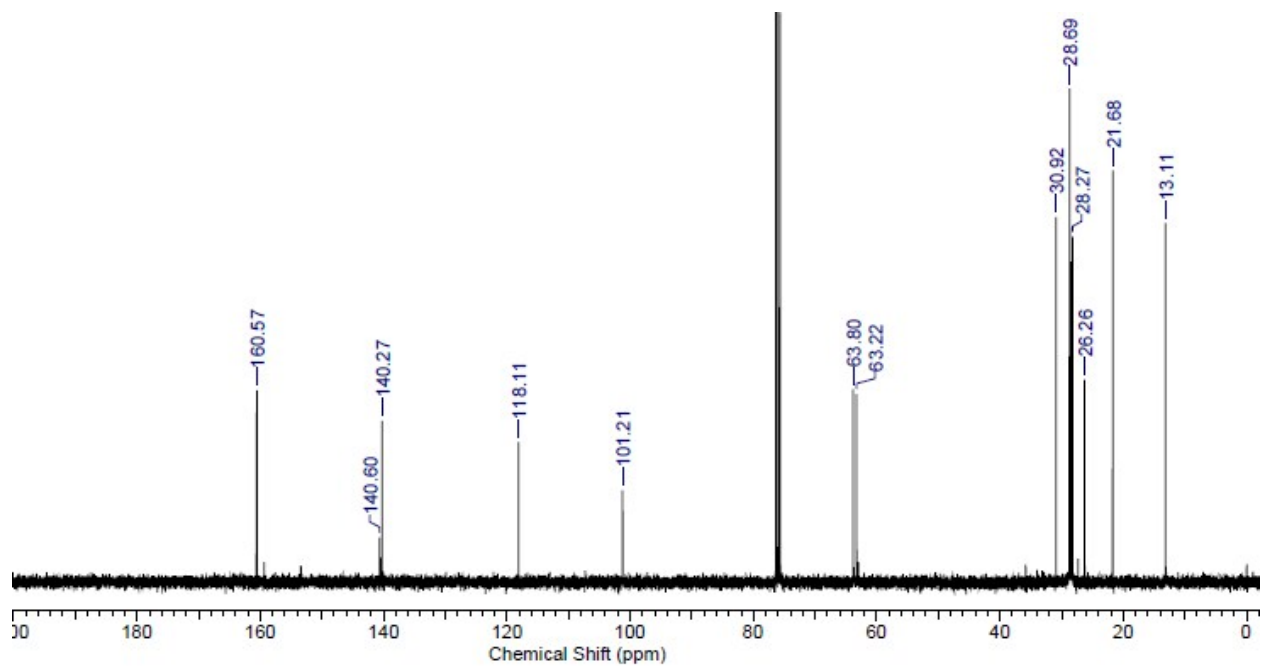


Figure S3. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of the azine molecule **2a**

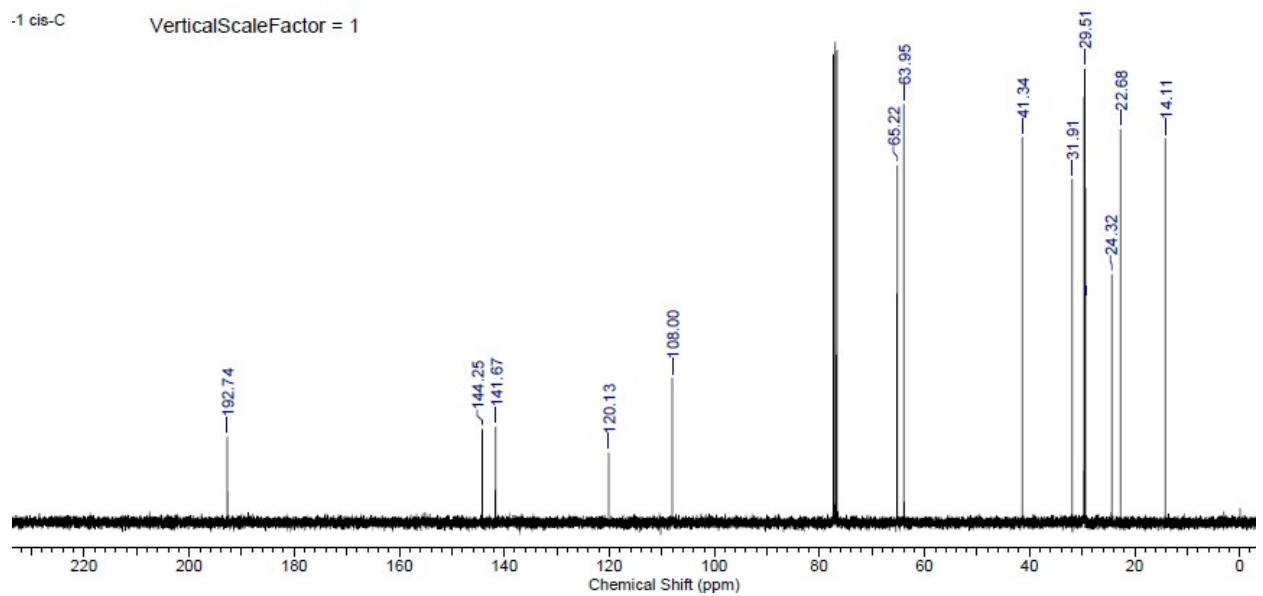


Figure S4. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of the azine molecule **2b**

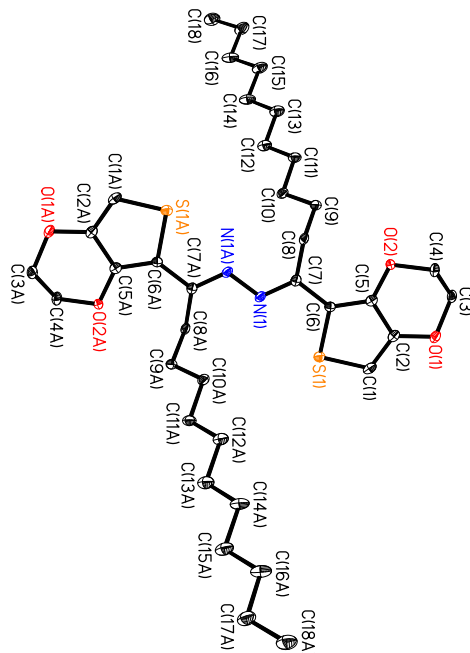


Figure S5. Single crystal structure of (*E,E*) isomer (**2a**) of azine molecule

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for molecule **2a**

| | | |
|------------------------|--|------------------|
| Identification code | p21c | |
| Empirical formula | C ₃₆ H ₅₆ N ₂ O ₄ S ₂ | |
| Formula weight | 644.95 | |
| Temperature | 100(2) K | |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å | |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic | |
| Space group | P2(1)/c | |
| Unit cell dimensions | a = 14.9983(12) Å | α = 90°. |
| | b = 8.7827(6) Å | β = 111.777(3)°. |
| | c = 14.3552(12) Å | γ = 90°. |
| Volume | 1756.0(2) Å ³ | |
| Z | 2 | |
| Density (calculated) | 1.220 Mg/m ³ | |
| Absorption coefficient | 0.192 mm ⁻¹ | |
| F(000) | 700 | |
| Crystal size | 0.20 x 0.10 x 0.02 mm ³ | |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Theta range for data collection | 2.74 to 24.71°. |
| Index ranges | -17<=h<=17, -9<=k<=10, -16<=l<=16 |
| Reflections collected | 29585 |
| Independent reflections | 3001 [R(int) = 0.1095] |
| Completeness to theta = 24.71° | 100.0 % |
| Absorption correction | Empirical |
| Max. and min. transmission | 0.9962 and 0.9627 |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on F ² |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 3001 / 0 / 199 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.046 |
| Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)] | R1 = 0.0420, wR2 = 0.0862 |
| R indices (all data) | R1 = 0.0647, wR2 = 0.0951 |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.271 and -0.354 e.Å ⁻³ |

Table S2. Atomic coordinates (x 10⁴) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²x 10³) for molecule **2a**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

| | x | y | z | U(eq) |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| S(1) | 3692(1) | 6731(1) | 104(1) | 13(1) |
| O(1) | 4741(1) | 3191(2) | 1762(1) | 15(1) |
| O(2) | 6181(1) | 5549(2) | 2066(1) | 13(1) |
| N(1) | 4799(1) | 9298(2) | 26(1) | 13(1) |
| C(1) | 3673(2) | 4954(2) | 595(2) | 15(1) |
| C(2) | 4551(2) | 4552(2) | 1259(2) | 12(1) |
| C(3) | 5760(2) | 2914(2) | 2218(2) | 14(1) |
| C(4) | 6267(2) | 4312(2) | 2762(2) | 17(1) |
| C(5) | 5259(2) | 5711(2) | 1401(2) | 11(1) |
| C(6) | 4911(1) | 6971(2) | 815(2) | 11(1) |
| C(7) | 5351(1) | 8418(2) | 741(2) | 12(1) |
| C(8) | 6332(2) | 8809(2) | 1499(2) | 12(1) |
| C(9) | 7186(2) | 8121(2) | 1291(2) | 14(1) |
| C(10) | 7328(2) | 8730(2) | 362(2) | 15(1) |
| C(11) | 8267(2) | 8157(2) | 294(2) | 16(1) |

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|-------|----------|---------|----------|-------|
| C(12) | 8451(2) | 8699(3) | -624(2) | 19(1) |
| C(13) | 9399(2) | 8129(3) | -665(2) | 20(1) |
| C(14) | 9600(2) | 8726(3) | -1562(2) | 22(1) |
| C(15) | 10524(2) | 8112(3) | -1645(2) | 22(1) |
| C(16) | 10704(2) | 8754(3) | -2543(2) | 23(1) |
| C(17) | 11600(2) | 8134(3) | -2675(2) | 25(1) |
| C(18) | 11766(2) | 8849(3) | -3563(2) | 27(1) |

Table S3. Bond lengths [\AA] and angles [$^\circ$] for molecule 2a.

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| S(1)-C(1) | 1.717(2) |
| S(1)-C(6) | 1.745(2) |
| O(1)-C(2) | 1.370(2) |
| O(1)-C(3) | 1.443(2) |
| O(2)-C(5) | 1.364(2) |
| O(2)-C(4) | 1.449(2) |
| N(1)-C(7) | 1.306(3) |
| N(1)-N(1)#1 | 1.387(3) |
| C(1)-C(2) | 1.355(3) |
| C(2)-C(5) | 1.431(3) |
| C(3)-C(4) | 1.501(3) |
| C(5)-C(6) | 1.371(3) |
| C(6)-C(7) | 1.453(3) |
| C(7)-C(8) | 1.510(3) |
| C(8)-C(9) | 1.541(3) |
| C(9)-C(10) | 1.524(3) |
| C(10)-C(11) | 1.532(3) |
| C(11)-C(12) | 1.520(3) |
| C(12)-C(13) | 1.529(3) |
| C(13)-C(14) | 1.521(3) |
| C(14)-C(15) | 1.531(3) |
| C(15)-C(16) | 1.520(3) |
| C(16)-C(17) | 1.525(3) |
| C(17)-C(18) | 1.522(3) |

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|-------------------|------------|
| C(1)-S(1)-C(6) | 92.48(10) |
| C(2)-O(1)-C(3) | 111.40(15) |
| C(5)-O(2)-C(4) | 111.61(15) |
| C(7)-N(1)-N(1)#1 | 114.0(2) |
| C(2)-C(1)-S(1) | 111.48(16) |
| C(1)-C(2)-O(1) | 123.78(18) |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(5) | 113.05(19) |
| O(1)-C(2)-C(5) | 123.16(19) |
| O(1)-C(3)-C(4) | 110.18(17) |
| O(2)-C(4)-C(3) | 110.89(17) |
| O(2)-C(5)-C(6) | 124.73(18) |
| O(2)-C(5)-C(2) | 122.12(18) |
| C(6)-C(5)-C(2) | 113.15(19) |
| C(5)-C(6)-C(7) | 132.09(19) |
| C(5)-C(6)-S(1) | 109.82(15) |
| C(7)-C(6)-S(1) | 117.97(15) |
| N(1)-C(7)-C(6) | 113.69(18) |
| N(1)-C(7)-C(8) | 126.57(18) |
| C(6)-C(7)-C(8) | 119.62(18) |
| C(7)-C(8)-C(9) | 115.41(17) |
| C(10)-C(9)-C(8) | 115.34(17) |
| C(9)-C(10)-C(11) | 111.77(18) |
| C(12)-C(11)-C(10) | 114.74(18) |
| C(11)-C(12)-C(13) | 113.63(19) |
| C(14)-C(13)-C(12) | 113.51(19) |
| C(13)-C(14)-C(15) | 114.5(2) |
| C(16)-C(15)-C(14) | 112.7(2) |
| C(15)-C(16)-C(17) | 114.5(2) |
| C(18)-C(17)-C(16) | 112.4(2) |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,-y+2,-z

Table S4. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for molecule **2a**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^* 2U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

| | U ¹¹ | U ²² | U ³³ | U ²³ | U ¹³ | U ¹² |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| S(1) | 12(1) | 15(1) | 13(1) | 0(1) | 5(1) | -1(1) |
| O(1) | 18(1) | 11(1) | 19(1) | 1(1) | 9(1) | -2(1) |
| O(2) | 11(1) | 12(1) | 16(1) | 5(1) | 3(1) | 1(1) |
| N(1) | 14(1) | 11(1) | 19(1) | 1(1) | 10(1) | -1(1) |
| C(1) | 17(1) | 13(1) | 18(1) | -4(1) | 11(1) | -5(1) |
| C(2) | 17(1) | 11(1) | 12(1) | -4(1) | 10(1) | -2(1) |
| C(3) | 18(1) | 15(1) | 13(1) | 5(1) | 9(1) | 2(1) |
| C(4) | 20(1) | 15(1) | 15(1) | 6(1) | 6(1) | 0(1) |
| C(5) | 14(1) | 12(1) | 9(1) | -4(1) | 8(1) | -1(1) |
| C(6) | 11(1) | 12(1) | 10(1) | -1(1) | 5(1) | 0(1) |
| C(7) | 15(1) | 11(1) | 13(1) | 0(1) | 11(1) | 2(1) |
| C(8) | 15(1) | 8(1) | 15(1) | 0(1) | 7(1) | -1(1) |
| C(9) | 10(1) | 13(1) | 18(1) | 1(1) | 5(1) | 0(1) |
| C(10) | 14(1) | 11(1) | 21(1) | -1(1) | 8(1) | -2(1) |
| C(11) | 11(1) | 16(1) | 22(1) | -2(1) | 7(1) | -1(1) |
| C(12) | 15(1) | 21(1) | 23(1) | -3(1) | 9(1) | -3(1) |
| C(13) | 16(1) | 19(1) | 28(1) | -6(1) | 11(1) | -3(1) |
| C(14) | 14(1) | 29(1) | 25(1) | -7(1) | 10(1) | -5(1) |
| C(15) | 19(1) | 23(1) | 30(1) | -7(1) | 15(1) | -5(1) |
| C(16) | 15(1) | 31(1) | 26(1) | -10(1) | 10(1) | -6(1) |
| C(17) | 24(1) | 22(1) | 37(2) | -3(1) | 20(1) | -3(1) |
| C(18) | 22(1) | 31(1) | 34(2) | -4(1) | 18(1) | -2(1) |

Table S5. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) formolecule **2a**.

| | x | y | z | U(eq) |
|--------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| H(1) | 3117 | 4330 | 422 | 18 |
| H(3A) | 6013 | 2634 | 1694 | 17 |
| H(3B) | 5882 | 2054 | 2696 | 17 |
| H(4A) | 5986 | 4626 | 3257 | 20 |
| H(4B) | 6954 | 4077 | 3130 | 20 |
| H(8A) | 6368 | 8461 | 2168 | 15 |
| H(8B) | 6402 | 9931 | 1528 | 15 |
| H(9A) | 7780 | 8312 | 1882 | 17 |
| H(9B) | 7096 | 7005 | 1221 | 17 |
| H(10A) | 7335 | 9857 | 381 | 18 |
| H(10B) | 6782 | 8407 | -244 | 18 |
| H(11A) | 8808 | 8492 | 902 | 19 |
| H(11B) | 8260 | 7030 | 295 | 19 |
| H(12A) | 8452 | 9827 | -631 | 23 |
| H(12B) | 7917 | 8351 | -1234 | 23 |
| H(13A) | 9930 | 8440 | -42 | 24 |
| H(13B) | 9387 | 7002 | -688 | 24 |
| H(14A) | 9640 | 9850 | -1521 | 26 |
| H(14B) | 9052 | 8458 | -2182 | 26 |
| H(15A) | 11074 | 8370 | -1025 | 27 |
| H(15B) | 10483 | 6989 | -1701 | 27 |
| H(16A) | 10761 | 9875 | -2474 | 28 |
| H(16B) | 10139 | 8529 | -3158 | 28 |
| H(17A) | 12165 | 8331 | -2056 | 30 |
| H(17B) | 11536 | 7018 | -2772 | 30 |
| H(18A) | 12347 | 8417 | -3617 | 41 |
| H(18B) | 11843 | 9952 | -3463 | 41 |
| H(18C) | 11214 | 8639 | -4180 | 41 |

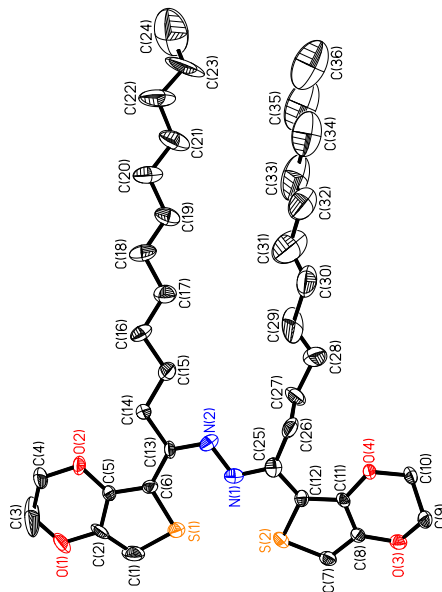


Figure S6. Single crystal structure of (*E,Z*) isomer (**2b**) of azine molecule

Table S6. Crystal data and structure refinement for molecule **2b**.

| | | |
|------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Identification code | p21c | |
| Empirical formula | C ₃₆ H ₅₆ N ₂ O ₄ S ₂ | |
| Formula weight | 644.95 | |
| Temperature | 100(2) K | |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å | |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic | |
| Space group | P2(1)/c | |
| Unit cell dimensions | a = 25.7143(12) Å | α = 90°. |
| | b = 7.7086(3) Å | β = 107.4390(10)°. |
| | c = 18.8672(8) Å | γ = 90°. |
| Volume | 3568.0(3) Å ³ | |
| Z | 4 | |
| Density (calculated) | 1.201 Mg/m ³ | |
| Absorption coefficient | 0.189 mm ⁻¹ | |
| F(000) | 1400 | |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Crystal size | 0.40 x 0.30 x 0.02 mm ³ |
| Theta range for data collection | 1.66 to 20.81°. |
| Index ranges | -25<=h<=25, -7<=k<=7, -18<=l<=18 |
| Reflections collected | 25257 |
| Independent reflections | 3739 [R(int) = 0.0635] |
| Completeness to theta = 20.81° | 100.0 % |
| Absorption correction | Empirical |
| Max. and min. transmission | 0.9962 and 0.9284 |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on F ² |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 3739 / 127 / 397 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.038 |
| Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)] | R1 = 0.0916, wR2 = 0.2062 |
| R indices (all data) | R1 = 0.1091, wR2 = 0.2208 |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.692 and -0.806 e.Å ⁻³ |

Table S7. Atomic coordinates (x 10⁴) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²x 10³)for molecule **2b**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

| | x | y | z | U(eq) |
|------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|
| S(1) | 880(1) | 753(3) | -4436(1) | 40(1) |
| C(1) | 734(3) | -832(11) | -5091(4) | 54(2) |
| C(2) | 1088(3) | -2164(10) | -4922(3) | 37(2) |
| O(1) | 1071(2) | -3597(7) | -5355(3) | 52(2) |
| C(3) | 1507(4) | -4685(16) | -5093(7) | 136(7) |
| C(4) | 1852(5) | -4574(11) | -4395(4) | 80(4) |
| O(2) | 1903(2) | -3080(5) | -3956(2) | 33(1) |

| | | | | |
|-------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|
| C(5) | 1494(2) | -1907(8) | -4230(3) | 26(2) |
| C(6) | 1445(2) | -382(8) | -3880(3) | 26(2) |
| C(13) | 1782(3) | 234(8) | -3159(3) | 28(2) |
| C(14) | 2249(3) | -906(9) | -2704(3) | 37(2) |
| C(15) | 2464(3) | -448(10) | -1891(4) | 41(2) |
| C(16) | 2935(3) | -1555(10) | -1438(4) | 43(2) |
| C(17) | 3119(3) | -1112(11) | -639(4) | 50(2) |
| C(18) | 3577(3) | -2143(12) | -118(4) | 55(2) |
| C(19) | 3699(3) | -1764(11) | 671(4) | 51(2) |
| C(20) | 4140(3) | -2726(12) | 1220(4) | 63(3) |
| C(21) | 4222(4) | -2321(13) | 2019(4) | 74(3) |
| C(22) | 4647(5) | -3245(14) | 2601(5) | 108(5) |
| C(23) | 4684(7) | -2826(18) | 3397(6) | 169(8) |
| C(24) | 4976(9) | -3750(20) | 3947(9) | 189(9) |
| S(2) | 351(1) | 4626(2) | -3956(1) | 31(1) |
| C(7) | -24(3) | 6459(9) | -3978(3) | 30(2) |
| C(8) | 212(3) | 7551(8) | -3417(3) | 25(2) |
| O(3) | -14(2) | 9081(6) | -3282(2) | 31(1) |
| C(9) | 383(3) | 10174(9) | -2791(3) | 32(2) |
| C(10) | 719(3) | 9208(8) | -2137(3) | 31(2) |
| O(4) | 1024(2) | 7835(5) | -2348(2) | 28(1) |
| C(11) | 723(2) | 6915(8) | -2944(3) | 22(2) |
| C(12) | 854(2) | 5346(8) | -3162(3) | 25(2) |
| C(25) | 1318(3) | 4213(9) | -2840(4) | 32(2) |
| C(26) | 1723(3) | 4704(9) | -2119(4) | 43(2) |
| C(27) | 1569(4) | 4044(11) | -1461(4) | 75(3) |
| C(28) | 1909(6) | 4567(13) | -708(5) | 123(5) |
| C(29) | 2370(4) | 3680(14) | -368(7) | 129(5) |
| C(30) | 2735(4) | 3929(13) | 416(6) | 101(4) |

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|-------|---------|----------|----------|--------|
| C(31) | 2993(7) | 2869(17) | 924(9) | 237(9) |
| C(32) | 3388(5) | 3146(15) | 1661(7) | 128(5) |
| C(33) | 3310(6) | 2061(18) | 2260(9) | 152(5) |
| C(34) | 3754(6) | 2357(17) | 2975(8) | 133(4) |
| C(35) | 3746(8) | 1380(30) | 3649(11) | 181(7) |
| C(36) | 4168(8) | 1570(20) | 4286(10) | 179(7) |
| N(1) | 1328(2) | 2756(8) | -3206(3) | 32(2) |
| N(2) | 1756(2) | 1687(8) | -2820(3) | 34(2) |

Table S8. Bond lengths [\AA] and angles [$^\circ$] for molecule **2b**.

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| S(1)-C(1) | 1.698(8) |
| S(1)-C(6) | 1.749(6) |
| C(1)-C(2) | 1.346(9) |
| C(2)-O(1) | 1.367(8) |
| C(2)-C(5) | 1.420(9) |
| O(1)-C(3) | 1.370(10) |
| C(3)-C(4) | 1.352(11) |
| C(4)-O(2) | 1.401(9) |
| O(2)-C(5) | 1.366(7) |
| C(5)-C(6) | 1.371(8) |
| C(6)-C(13) | 1.457(8) |
| C(13)-N(2) | 1.301(8) |
| C(13)-C(14) | 1.528(9) |
| C(14)-C(15) | 1.508(9) |
| C(15)-C(16) | 1.517(9) |
| C(16)-C(17) | 1.478(9) |
| C(17)-C(18) | 1.513(10) |

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|-------------|-----------|
| C(18)-C(19) | 1.456(10) |
| C(19)-C(20) | 1.485(10) |
| C(20)-C(21) | 1.492(11) |
| C(21)-C(22) | 1.481(11) |
| C(22)-C(23) | 1.510(15) |
| C(23)-C(24) | 1.300(16) |
| S(2)-C(7) | 1.704(7) |
| S(2)-C(12) | 1.750(6) |
| C(7)-C(8) | 1.346(8) |
| C(8)-O(3) | 1.372(7) |
| C(8)-C(11) | 1.434(8) |
| O(3)-C(9) | 1.428(7) |
| C(9)-C(10) | 1.478(8) |
| C(10)-O(4) | 1.443(7) |
| O(4)-C(11) | 1.358(7) |
| C(11)-C(12) | 1.353(8) |
| C(12)-C(25) | 1.457(9) |
| C(25)-N(1) | 1.323(9) |
| C(25)-C(26) | 1.493(9) |
| C(26)-C(27) | 1.500(10) |
| C(27)-C(28) | 1.483(11) |
| C(28)-C(29) | 1.352(12) |
| C(29)-C(30) | 1.508(12) |
| C(30)-C(31) | 1.283(13) |
| C(31)-C(32) | 1.471(13) |
| C(32)-C(33) | 1.469(15) |
| C(33)-C(34) | 1.500(15) |
| C(34)-C(35) | 1.485(16) |
| C(35)-C(36) | 1.364(18) |

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|-------------------|-----------|
| N(1)-N(2) | 1.392(8) |
| C(1)-S(1)-C(6) | 92.2(3) |
| C(2)-C(1)-S(1) | 112.9(5) |
| C(1)-C(2)-O(1) | 125.1(6) |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(5) | 111.7(6) |
| O(1)-C(2)-C(5) | 123.2(6) |
| C(2)-O(1)-C(3) | 113.7(6) |
| C(4)-C(3)-O(1) | 122.7(8) |
| C(3)-C(4)-O(2) | 123.1(8) |
| C(5)-O(2)-C(4) | 113.4(6) |
| O(2)-C(5)-C(6) | 123.9(5) |
| O(2)-C(5)-C(2) | 121.6(6) |
| C(6)-C(5)-C(2) | 114.5(6) |
| C(5)-C(6)-C(13) | 127.8(6) |
| C(5)-C(6)-S(1) | 108.6(4) |
| C(13)-C(6)-S(1) | 123.5(5) |
| N(2)-C(13)-C(6) | 129.5(6) |
| N(2)-C(13)-C(14) | 111.5(5) |
| C(6)-C(13)-C(14) | 119.0(5) |
| C(15)-C(14)-C(13) | 115.1(5) |
| C(14)-C(15)-C(16) | 115.4(6) |
| C(17)-C(16)-C(15) | 113.7(6) |
| C(16)-C(17)-C(18) | 119.3(7) |
| C(19)-C(18)-C(17) | 116.5(7) |
| C(18)-C(19)-C(20) | 119.9(7) |
| C(19)-C(20)-C(21) | 116.6(8) |
| C(22)-C(21)-C(20) | 119.9(9) |
| C(21)-C(22)-C(23) | 116.5(11) |

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|-------------------|-----------|
| C(24)-C(23)-C(22) | 121.7(14) |
| C(7)-S(2)-C(12) | 91.5(3) |
| C(8)-C(7)-S(2) | 112.4(5) |
| C(7)-C(8)-O(3) | 124.6(6) |
| C(7)-C(8)-C(11) | 112.9(5) |
| O(3)-C(8)-C(11) | 122.5(5) |
| C(8)-O(3)-C(9) | 111.5(5) |
| O(3)-C(9)-C(10) | 111.7(5) |
| O(4)-C(10)-C(9) | 111.7(5) |
| C(11)-O(4)-C(10) | 112.9(4) |
| C(12)-C(11)-O(4) | 125.9(5) |
| C(12)-C(11)-C(8) | 112.4(5) |
| O(4)-C(11)-C(8) | 121.7(5) |
| C(11)-C(12)-C(25) | 131.1(6) |
| C(11)-C(12)-S(2) | 110.9(5) |
| C(25)-C(12)-S(2) | 118.0(5) |
| N(1)-C(25)-C(12) | 115.7(6) |
| N(1)-C(25)-C(26) | 125.0(6) |
| C(12)-C(25)-C(26) | 119.2(6) |
| C(25)-C(26)-C(27) | 112.5(6) |
| C(28)-C(27)-C(26) | 118.3(9) |
| C(29)-C(28)-C(27) | 119.9(10) |
| C(28)-C(29)-C(30) | 127.0(10) |
| C(31)-C(30)-C(29) | 133.0(10) |
| C(30)-C(31)-C(32) | 132.0(12) |
| C(33)-C(32)-C(31) | 115.4(12) |
| C(32)-C(33)-C(34) | 111.2(10) |
| C(35)-C(34)-C(33) | 119.4(13) |
| C(36)-C(35)-C(34) | 119.2(17) |

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| C(25)-N(1)-N(2) | 111.4(5) |
| C(13)-N(2)-N(1) | 113.7(5) |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table S9. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for molecule **2b**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^*^2 U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

| | U ¹¹ | U ²² | U ³³ | U ²³ | U ¹³ | U ¹² |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| S(1) | 45(1) | 49(1) | 27(1) | 5(1) | 11(1) | 21(1) |
| C(1) | 41(5) | 87(7) | 26(4) | 4(4) | 0(4) | 24(5) |
| C(2) | 42(5) | 55(5) | 15(4) | -8(4) | 9(4) | 3(4) |
| O(1) | 59(4) | 62(4) | 30(3) | -23(3) | 9(3) | 7(3) |
| C(3) | 59(7) | 143(12) | 161(13) | -128(10) | -37(7) | 47(8) |
| C(4) | 153(10) | 44(6) | 43(5) | -4(5) | 27(6) | 49(6) |
| O(2) | 36(3) | 22(3) | 39(3) | -10(2) | 7(2) | 6(2) |
| C(5) | 28(4) | 30(4) | 23(4) | 1(3) | 15(3) | 8(3) |
| C(6) | 31(4) | 30(4) | 21(4) | 8(3) | 11(3) | 8(3) |
| C(13) | 44(4) | 15(4) | 28(4) | -3(3) | 17(4) | 4(3) |
| C(14) | 53(5) | 30(4) | 24(4) | -1(3) | 5(4) | 14(4) |
| C(15) | 38(4) | 35(5) | 43(5) | -3(4) | 3(4) | 7(4) |
| C(16) | 29(4) | 46(5) | 46(5) | 10(4) | -1(4) | 11(4) |
| C(17) | 44(5) | 52(5) | 44(5) | 0(4) | -2(4) | 1(4) |
| C(18) | 30(4) | 75(6) | 49(5) | 12(5) | -5(4) | 4(4) |
| C(19) | 49(5) | 59(6) | 38(5) | -4(4) | 1(4) | -17(4) |
| C(20) | 52(5) | 71(7) | 50(6) | 17(5) | -11(4) | -9(5) |
| C(21) | 92(7) | 70(7) | 43(6) | -3(5) | -6(5) | -37(6) |
| C(22) | 127(10) | 69(7) | 74(8) | 31(6) | -51(7) | -21(7) |

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|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| C(23) | 270(20) | 103(11) | 47(7) | -3(7) | -81(10) | -20(12) |
| C(24) | 330(30) | 135(15) | 141(15) | 13(13) | 127(18) | 17(17) |
| S(2) | 37(1) | 34(1) | 22(1) | -7(1) | 9(1) | -2(1) |
| C(7) | 30(4) | 39(4) | 21(4) | 0(4) | 8(3) | 5(3) |
| C(8) | 33(4) | 27(4) | 20(4) | 1(3) | 17(3) | 5(4) |
| O(3) | 29(3) | 40(3) | 24(3) | 0(2) | 8(2) | 10(2) |
| C(9) | 42(4) | 28(4) | 30(4) | -3(4) | 17(4) | 8(4) |
| C(10) | 40(4) | 27(4) | 27(4) | -8(3) | 12(3) | 1(3) |
| O(4) | 31(3) | 23(3) | 25(3) | -7(2) | 0(2) | 6(2) |
| C(11) | 28(4) | 25(4) | 18(4) | -3(3) | 13(3) | 0(3) |
| C(12) | 22(4) | 24(4) | 29(4) | -3(3) | 10(3) | 1(3) |
| C(25) | 31(4) | 28(4) | 39(4) | -2(4) | 14(4) | -7(4) |
| C(26) | 34(4) | 28(4) | 56(5) | -2(4) | 0(4) | 12(4) |
| C(27) | 148(9) | 40(5) | 24(4) | -6(4) | 6(4) | 1(6) |
| C(28) | 205(12) | 50(6) | 62(5) | -2(5) | -39(7) | 29(7) |
| C(29) | 52(6) | 79(8) | 197(10) | -91(8) | -51(7) | 2(5) |
| C(30) | 81(7) | 56(7) | 142(9) | -36(6) | -5(6) | 16(6) |
| C(31) | 203(15) | 63(8) | 291(13) | -43(9) | -158(12) | 0(10) |
| C(32) | 76(8) | 56(7) | 199(10) | -22(7) | -36(7) | -11(6) |
| C(33) | 98(10) | 66(9) | 301(13) | -12(10) | 74(9) | -16(8) |
| C(34) | 144(11) | 78(9) | 216(11) | 9(9) | 112(8) | -18(9) |
| C(35) | 191(18) | 105(12) | 303(16) | 62(15) | 160(12) | 19(14) |
| C(36) | 210(20) | 107(13) | 266(16) | 86(17) | 147(13) | 19(15) |
| N(1) | 30(3) | 37(4) | 26(3) | 4(3) | 3(3) | -1(3) |
| N(2) | 28(3) | 32(4) | 38(4) | 9(3) | 3(3) | 5(3) |

Table S10. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for molecule **2b**.

| | x | y | z | U(eq) |
|--------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| H(1) | 434 | -784 | -5531 | 64 |
| H(3A) | 1361 | -5882 | -5153 | 164 |
| H(3B) | 1732 | -4571 | -5433 | 164 |
| H(4A) | 2220 | -4837 | -4429 | 97 |
| H(4B) | 1755 | -5532 | -4109 | 97 |
| H(14A) | 2123 | -2126 | -2747 | 45 |
| H(14B) | 2553 | -831 | -2924 | 45 |
| H(15A) | 2162 | -542 | -1670 | 49 |
| H(15B) | 2584 | 778 | -1849 | 49 |
| H(16A) | 2822 | -2788 | -1492 | 52 |
| H(16B) | 3245 | -1423 | -1641 | 52 |
| H(17A) | 2799 | -1200 | -452 | 60 |
| H(17B) | 3232 | 122 | -597 | 60 |
| H(18A) | 3485 | -3390 | -194 | 66 |
| H(18B) | 3911 | -1945 | -263 | 66 |
| H(19A) | 3359 | -1944 | 806 | 62 |
| H(19B) | 3788 | -513 | 738 | 62 |
| H(20A) | 4486 | -2496 | 1110 | 76 |
| H(20B) | 4063 | -3983 | 1145 | 76 |
| H(21A) | 4300 | -1064 | 2088 | 89 |
| H(21B) | 3870 | -2524 | 2119 | 89 |
| H(22A) | 5005 | -2988 | 2528 | 129 |
| H(22B) | 4583 | -4508 | 2526 | 129 |
| H(23A) | 4817 | -1617 | 3489 | 202 |

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|--------|------|-------|-------|-----|
| H(23B) | 4307 | -2831 | 3429 | 202 |
| H(24A) | 4936 | -3309 | 4414 | 283 |
| H(24B) | 5360 | -3692 | 3963 | 283 |
| H(24C) | 4854 | -4964 | 3880 | 283 |
| H(7) | -361 | 6685 | -4345 | 36 |
| H(9A) | 196 | 11141 | -2623 | 38 |
| H(9B) | 623 | 10676 | -3063 | 38 |
| H(10A) | 975 | 10019 | -1799 | 37 |
| H(10B) | 479 | 8708 | -1866 | 37 |
| H(26A) | 1754 | 5984 | -2089 | 51 |
| H(26B) | 2084 | 4232 | -2102 | 51 |
| H(27A) | 1190 | 4419 | -1519 | 90 |
| H(27B) | 1567 | 2761 | -1482 | 90 |
| H(28A) | 2013 | 5796 | -737 | 148 |
| H(28B) | 1675 | 4527 | -378 | 148 |
| H(29A) | 2609 | 3822 | -689 | 154 |
| H(29B) | 2263 | 2442 | -403 | 154 |
| H(30A) | 3022 | 4730 | 361 | 122 |
| H(30B) | 2511 | 4621 | 657 | 122 |
| H(31A) | 3184 | 2084 | 669 | 284 |
| H(31B) | 2702 | 2159 | 1025 | 284 |
| H(32A) | 3759 | 2930 | 1624 | 153 |
| H(32B) | 3371 | 4379 | 1799 | 153 |
| H(33A) | 3307 | 824 | 2118 | 183 |
| H(33B) | 2953 | 2333 | 2332 | 183 |
| H(34A) | 4106 | 2107 | 2881 | 159 |
| H(34B) | 3754 | 3608 | 3094 | 159 |
| H(35A) | 3407 | 1692 | 3763 | 217 |
| H(35B) | 3721 | 129 | 3521 | 217 |

| | | | | |
|--------|------|------|------|-----|
| H(36A) | 4102 | 858 | 4680 | 269 |
| H(36B) | 4196 | 2795 | 4438 | 269 |
| H(36C) | 4509 | 1212 | 4198 | 269 |

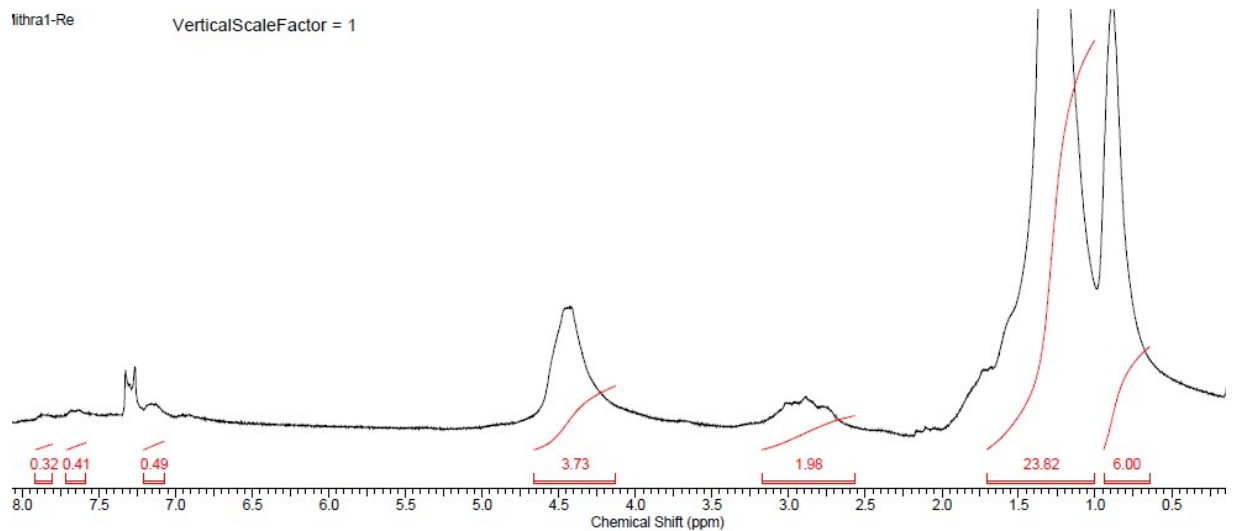


Figure S7. ^1H NMR spectrum of the PAZ-I

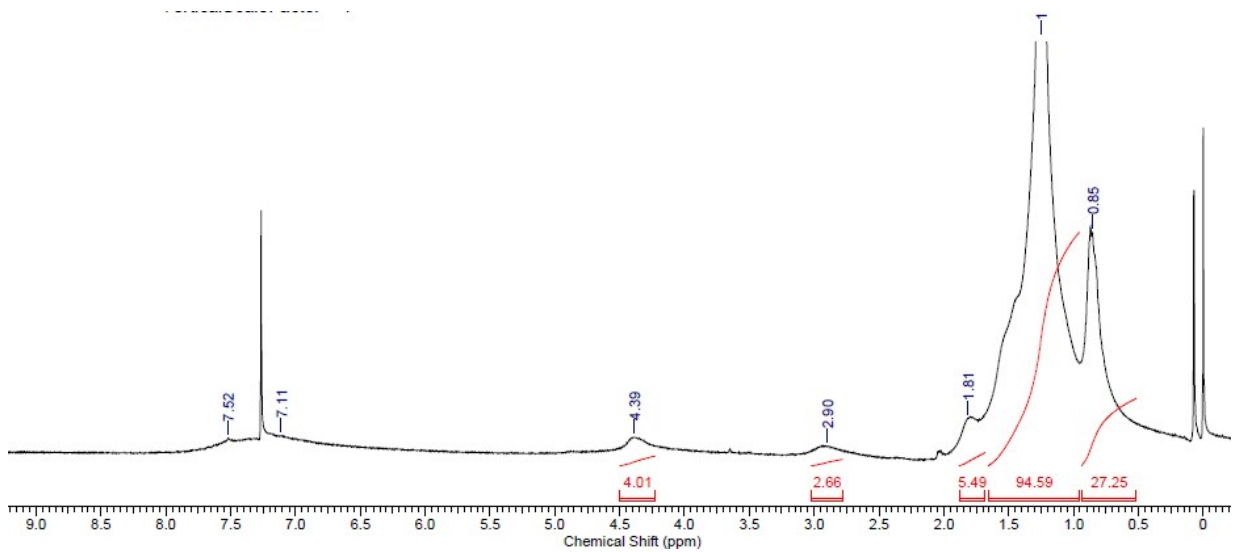


Figure S8. ^1H NMR spectrum of the PAZ-II

Table S11. Molecular weights and TGA data of polyazines

| | $M_w(D)$ | $T_d(^{\circ}C)$ |
|---------------|----------|------------------|
| PAz-I | 17165 | 335 |
| PAz-II | 16364 | 335 |

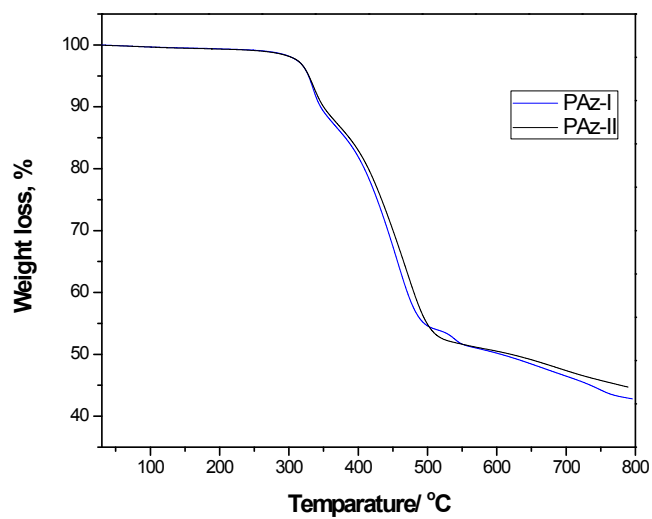


Figure S9. TGA diagram of the polymers **PAz-I** and **PAz-II**

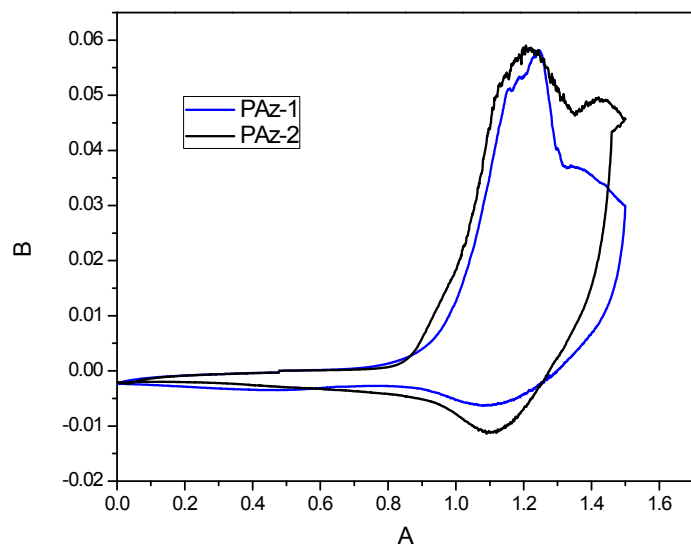


Figure S10. Cyclic voltammogram of polymers **PAz-I** and **PAz-II**

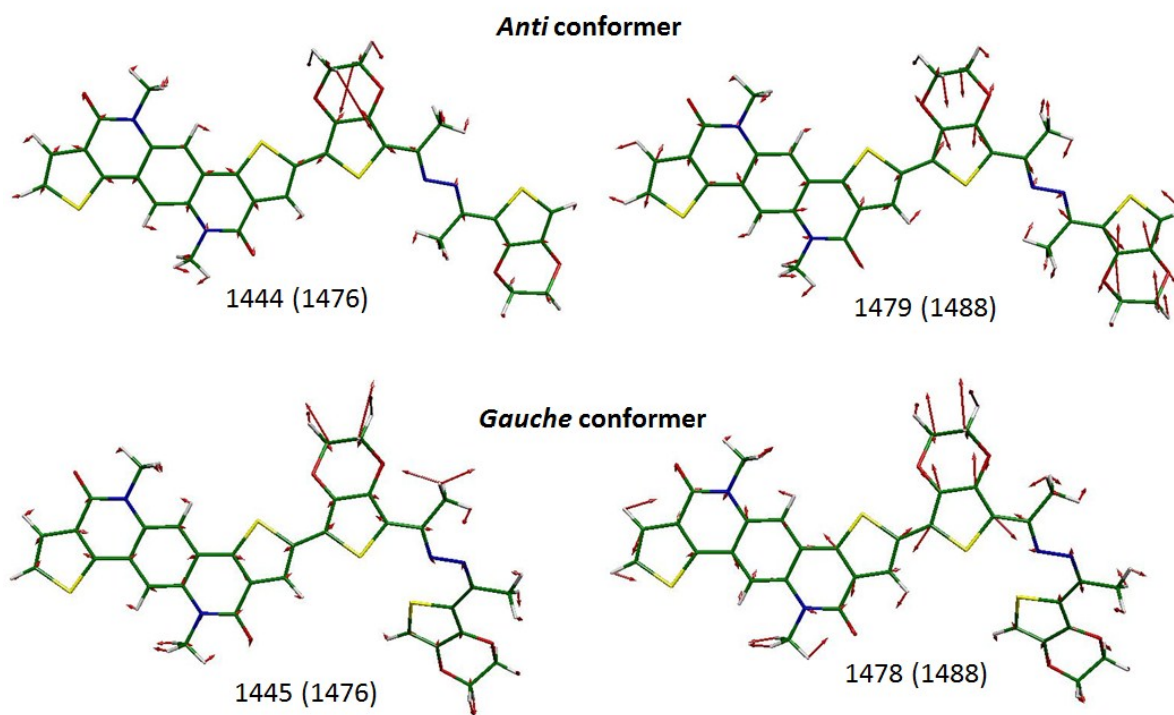


Figure S11. DFT/B3LYP/6-31G** theoretical eigenvectors for the most intense Raman bands of **PAz-I** (*anti* conformation) and **PAz-II** (*gauche* conformation).

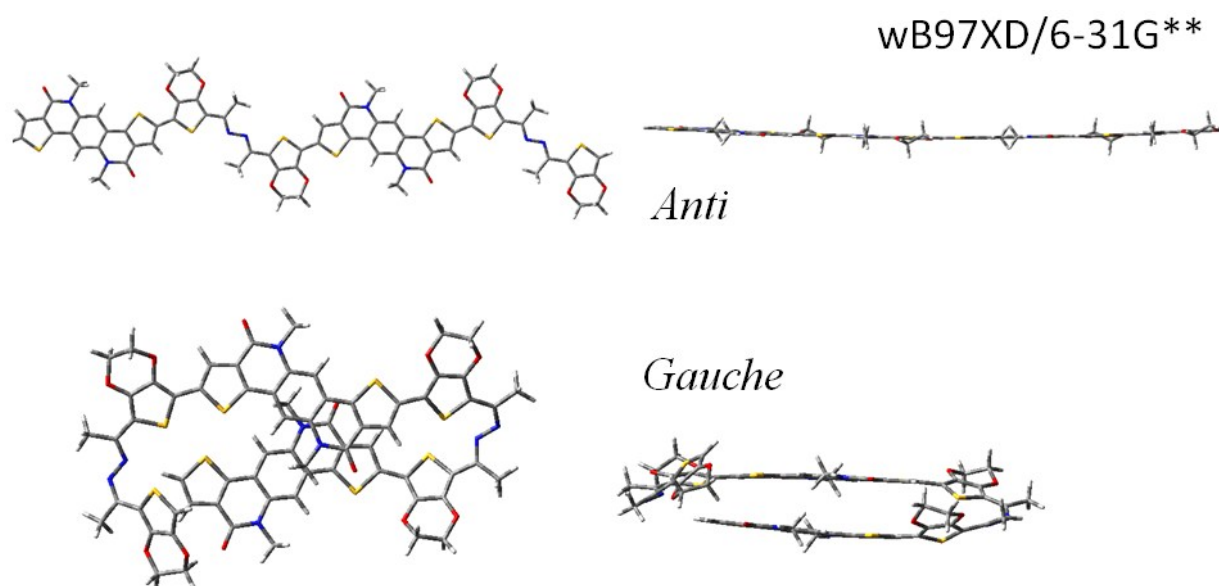
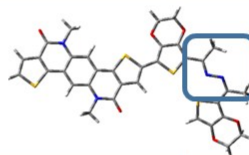


Figure S12. DFT/wB97XD/6-31G** optimized geometries for a dimeric model of the *anti* and *gauche* conformers.

Energy difference between *gauche* and *trans* conformation

| | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| B3LYP/6-31G** | <u>Molecule</u> | <i>trans</i> | <i>gauche</i> |
| | <u>Monomer</u> | 0 | +2.48 kcal/mol |
| | <u>Dimer</u> | 0 | +5.73 Kcal/mol |
| wB97XD/6-31G** | <u>Molecule</u> | <i>trans</i> | <i>gauche</i> |
| | <u>Dimer</u> | 0 | +19.67 kcal/mol |

Dihedral Angles (°) in the C-C-N-N-N-CC region



| | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| B3LYP/6-31G** | <u>Molecule</u> | $\theta_{C-C-N-N}$ | $\theta_{C-N-N-C}$ | $\theta_{N-N-C-C}$ |
| | <u>Monomer-gauche</u> | -174° | -159° | 6° |
| | <u>Dimer-gauche</u> | -173.5° | -158° | 6.5° |
| | <u>Monomer-trans</u> | -180° | -179° | 180° |
| | <u>Dimer-trans</u> | -180° | -180° | 180° |
| wB97XD/6-31G** | <u>Molecule</u> | $\theta_{C-C-N-N}$ | $\theta_{C-N-N-C}$ | $\theta_{N-N-C-C}$ |
| | <u>Dimer-gauche</u> | -176° | -150°/-141° | 8°/6° |
| | <u>Dimer-trans</u> | -180° | -180° | 180° |

Figure S13. Comparison between the theoretical data (energies and dihedral angles) obtained at B3LYP/6-31G** and wB97XD/6-31G** levels of calculations.