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Anion binding by *p*-aminoazobenzene derived aromatic amides. Spectroscopic and electrochemical studies

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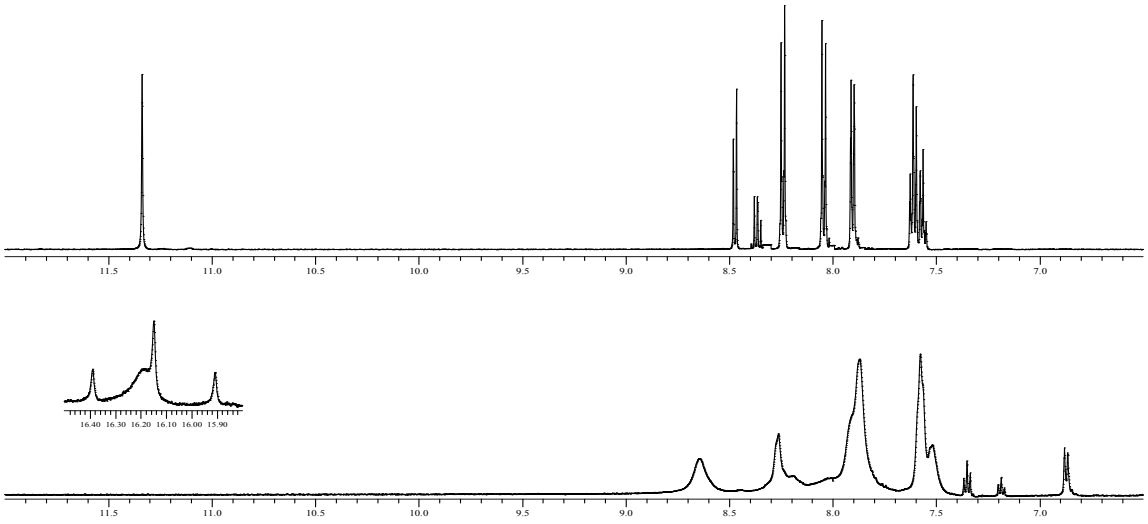

Fig. ESI1 The comparison of ^{1}H NMR spectra of free ligand 2 (top) and after addition of tetra-n-butylammonium fluoride (2:F- = 1:1, bottom) in DMSO-d_6.

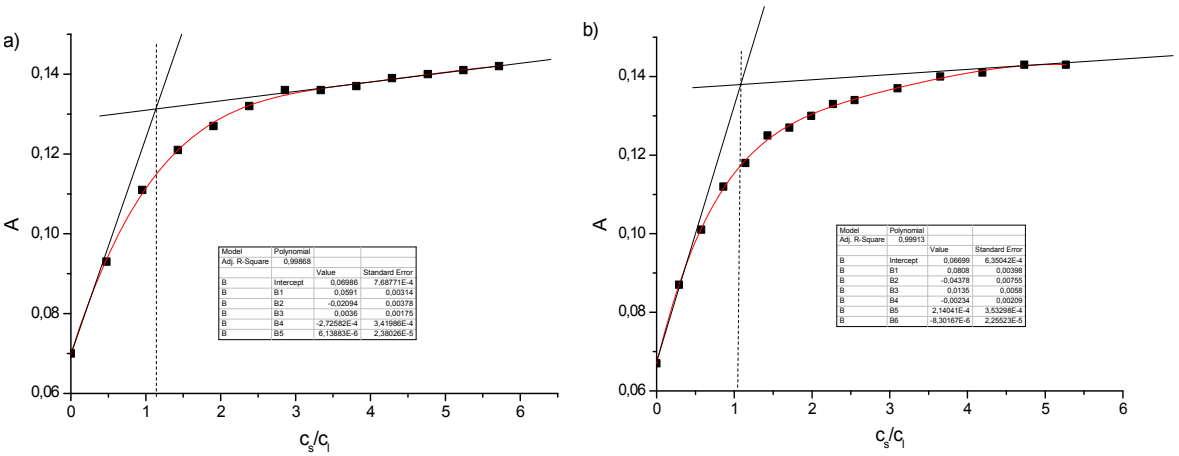

Fig. ESI2 Molar ratio plot obtained from spectrophotometric titration of ligand **4**with tetra-*n*-butylammonium a) benzoate (c_4 = 1.37×10^{-5} M, 0 ≤ R ≤ 5.72), b) fluoride (c_4 = 9.13×10^{-6} M, 0 ≤ R ≤ 3.13) in chloroform; R= salt/ligand molar ratio.

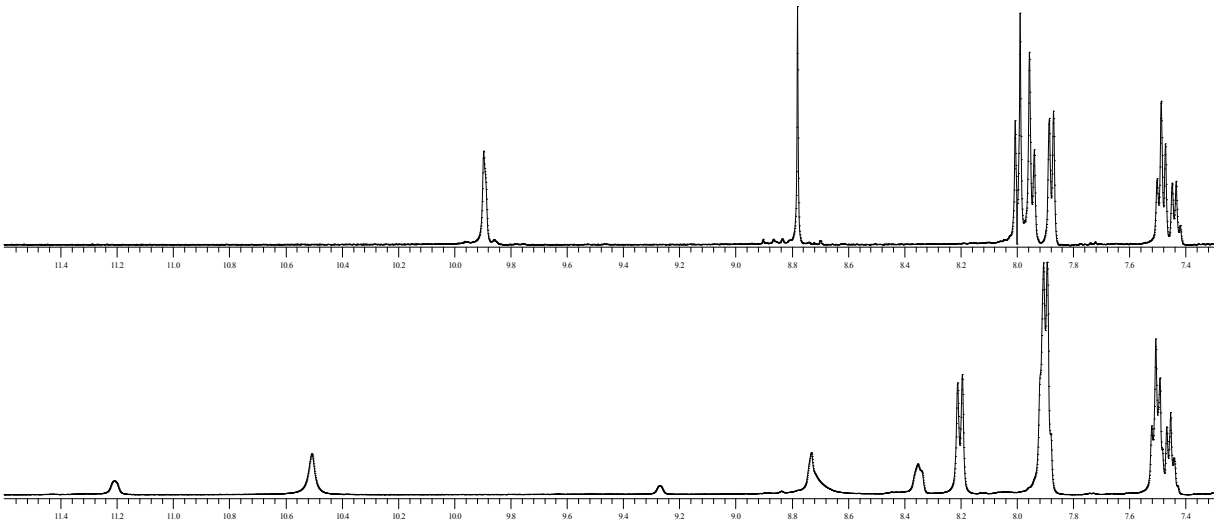

Fig. ESI3 The comparison of ^{1}H NMR spectra of free ligand **4** (top) and its complex (1:1) with tetra-*n*-butylammonium fluoride (bottom) in chloroform-*d*.

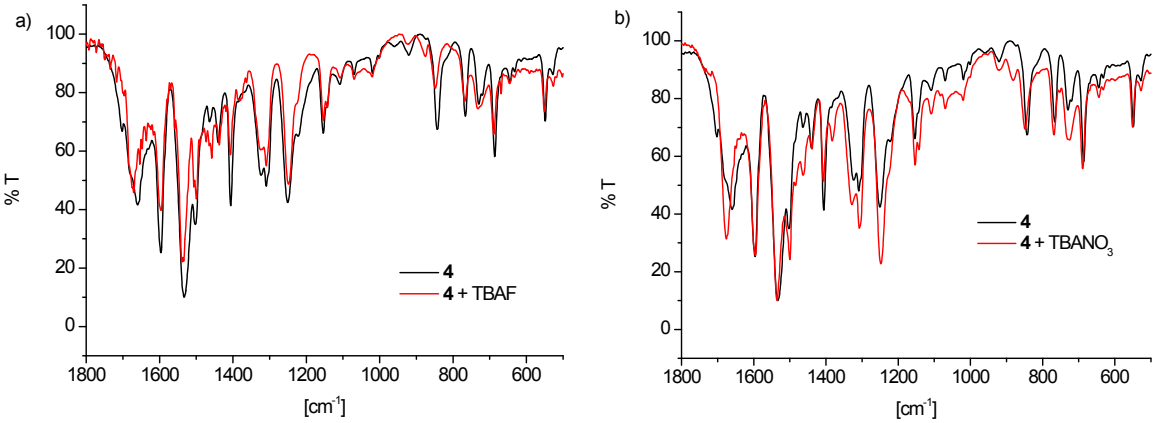

Fig. ESI4 The comparison of FTIR spectra (KBr pellets) of the ligand **4** and its complex with a) tetra-*n*-butylammonium fluoride (1:1); b) tetra-*n*-butylammonium nitrate (1:1).

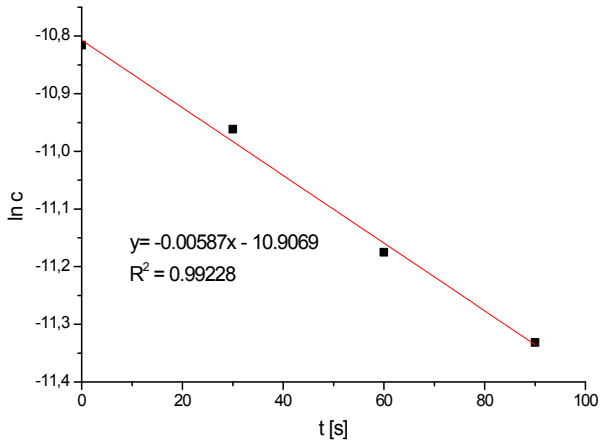

Fig. ESI5 Plot of the first-order reaction determined for *trans* to *cis* isomerization of ligand **4** ($c_4 = 2.01\times10^{-5}$ M) solution in chloroform ($\lambda = 354$ nm).

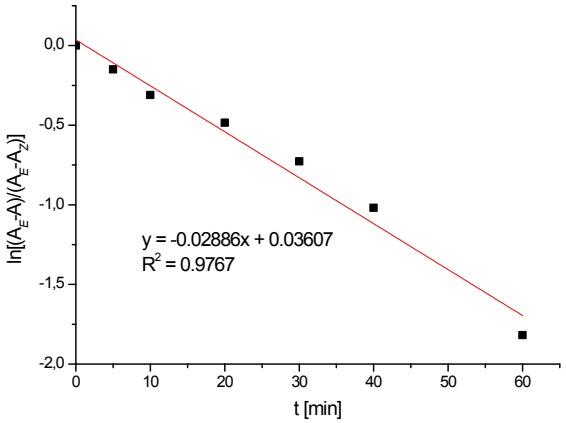

Fig. ESI6 Plot of the first-order reaction determined for thermal *cis* to *trans* isomerization of ligand **4** (c_{4trans} = 2.01×10^{-5} M) solution in chloroform (λ = 354 nm).