

## Supplementary Information

### Novel nano-dyad of homoleptic sandwich-type phthalocyanines with nitrogen doped graphene quantum dots for nonlinear optics

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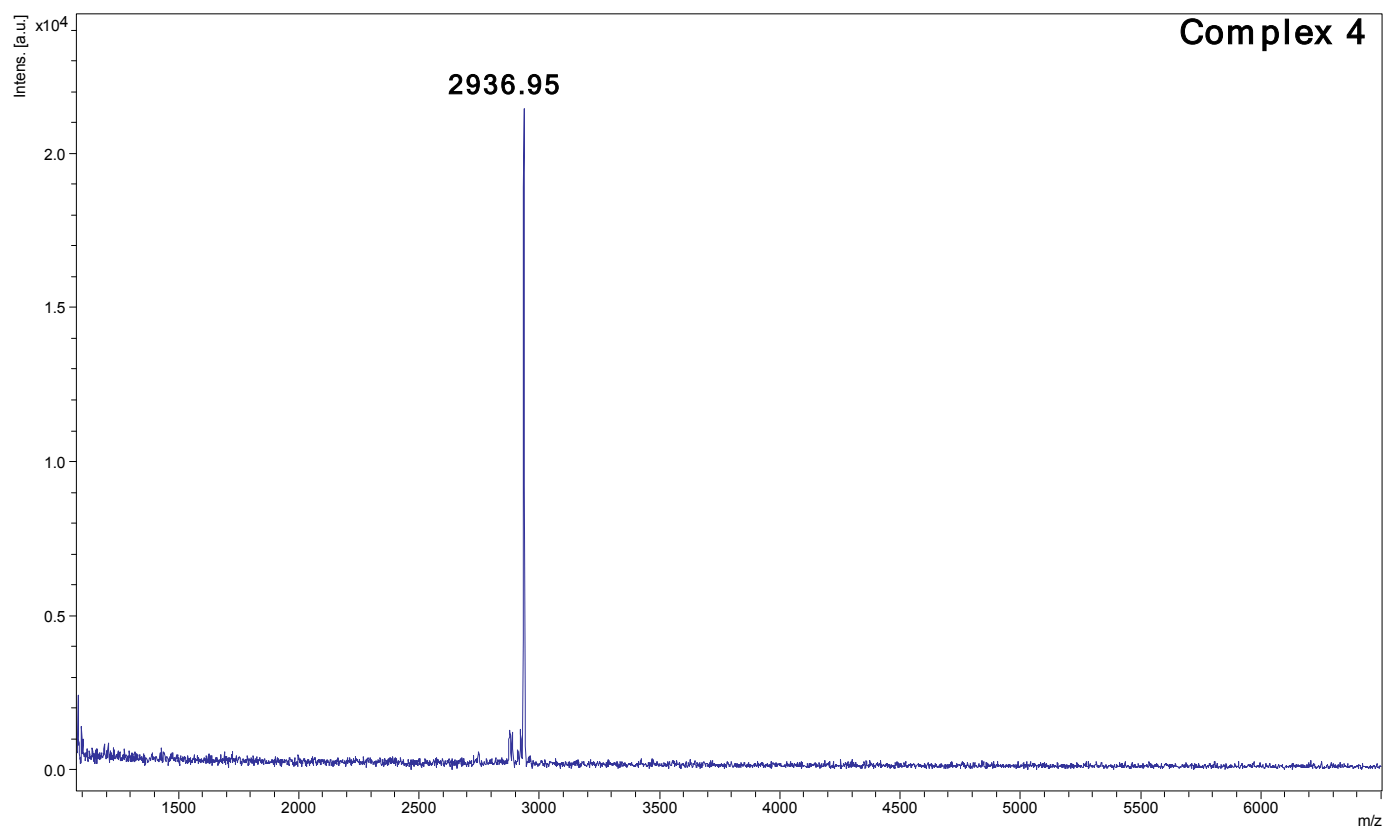
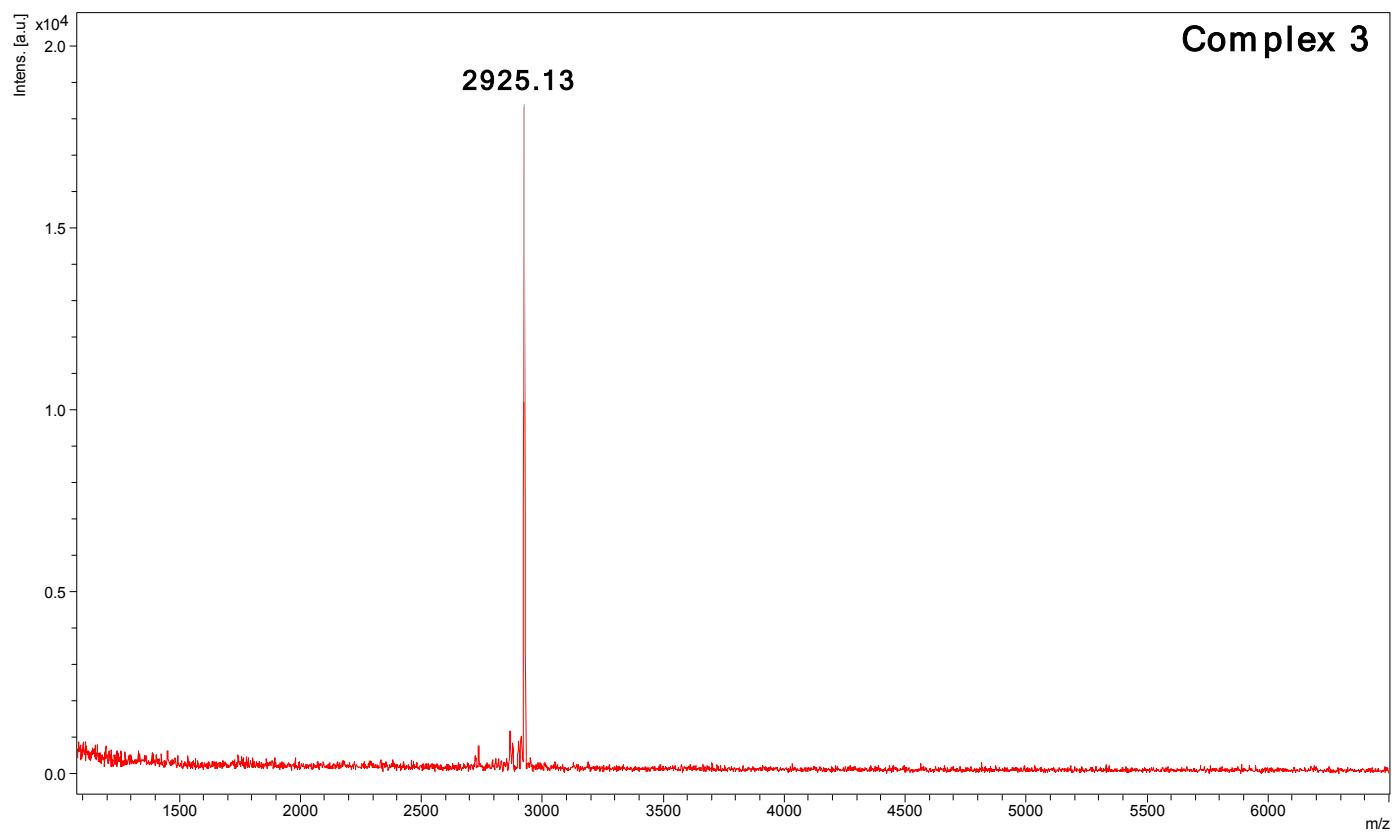
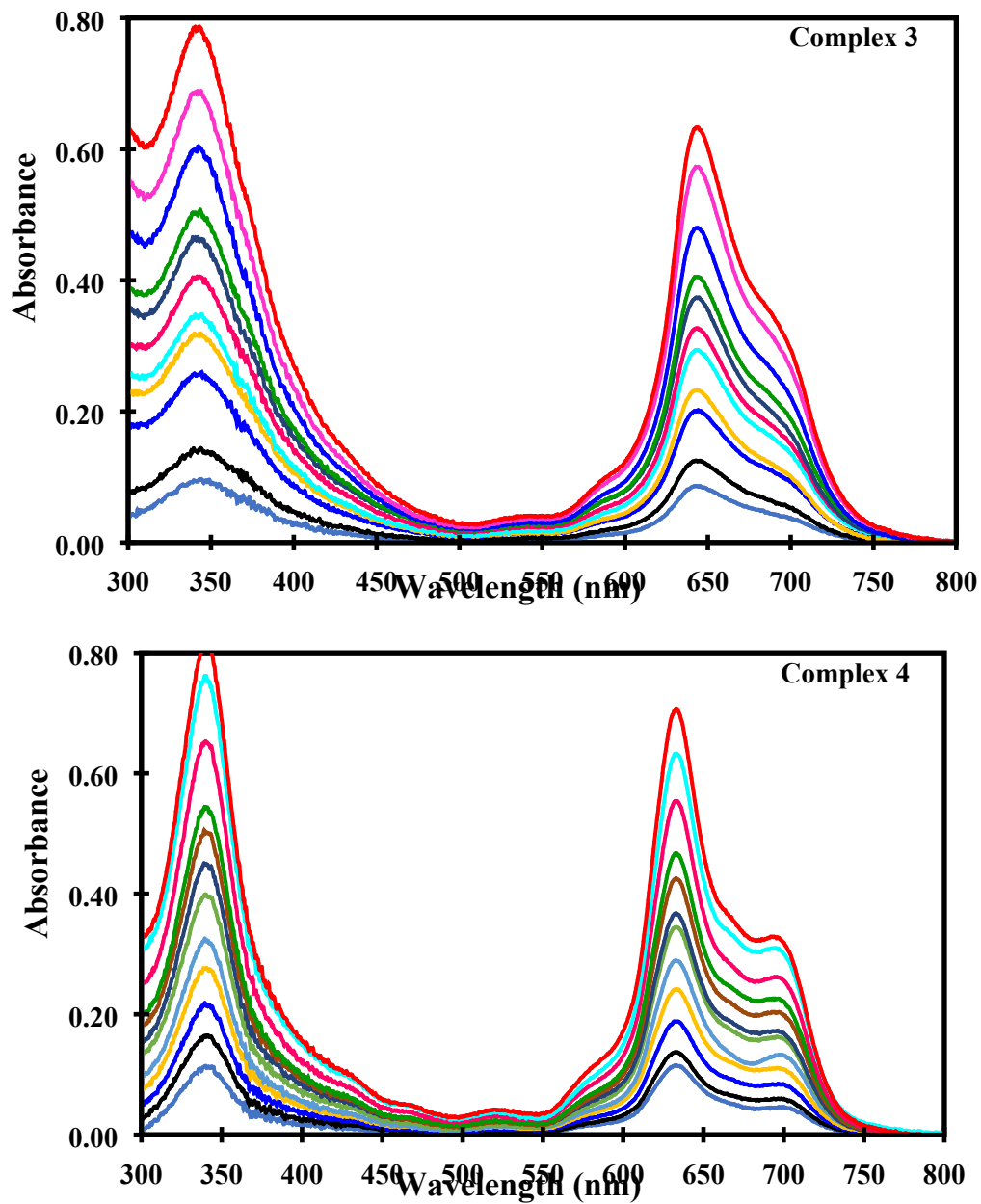


Figure S1. Mass spectra for complexes 3 and 4





**Figure S2. (A) Ground state electronic absorption spectra for complexes 1 to 4 in DMSO and (B) Concentration dependent absorption spectra for complexes 2 to 4 used for the determination of the molar absorptivity in DMSO.**

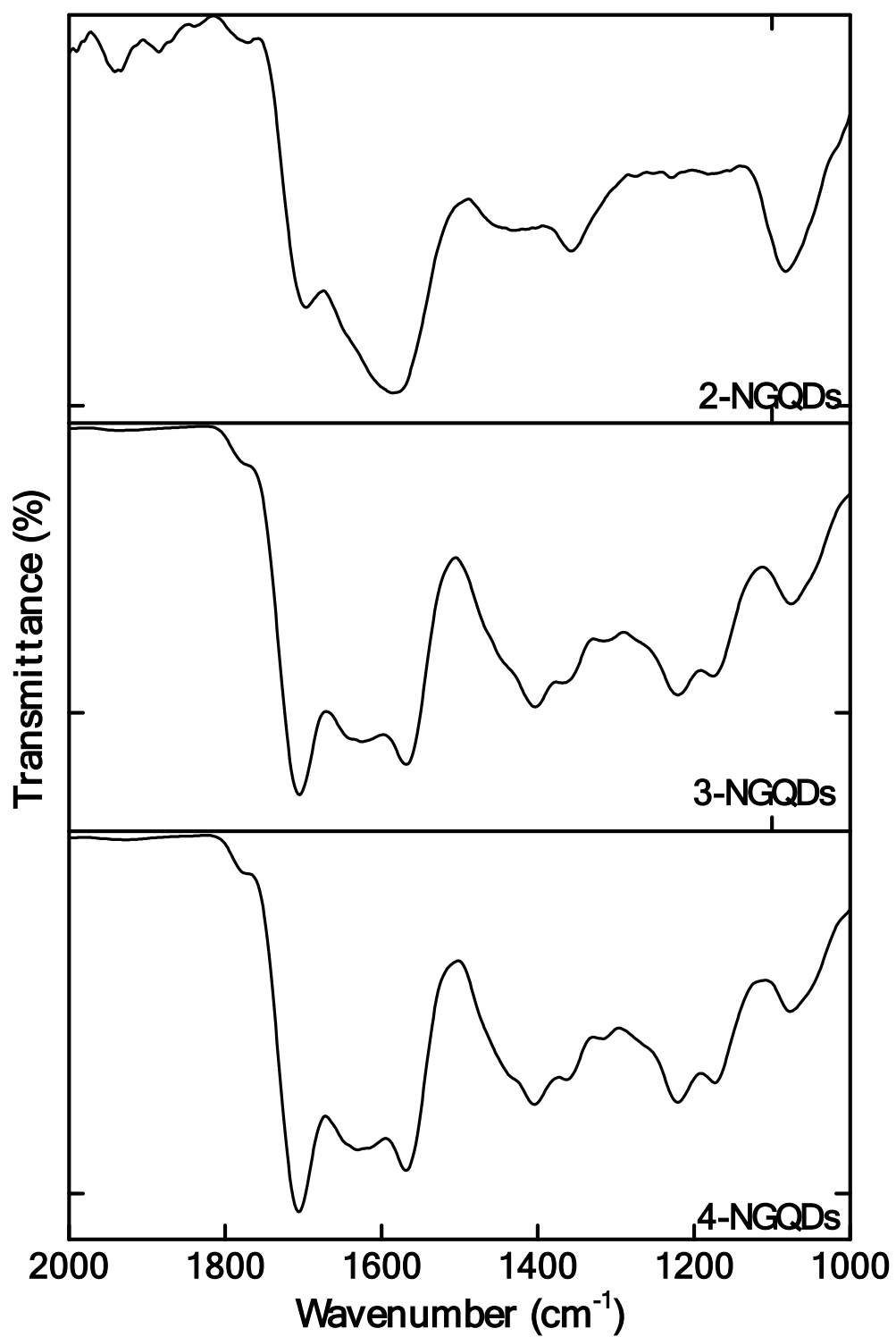


Figure S3. FT-IR spectra for the conjugates.

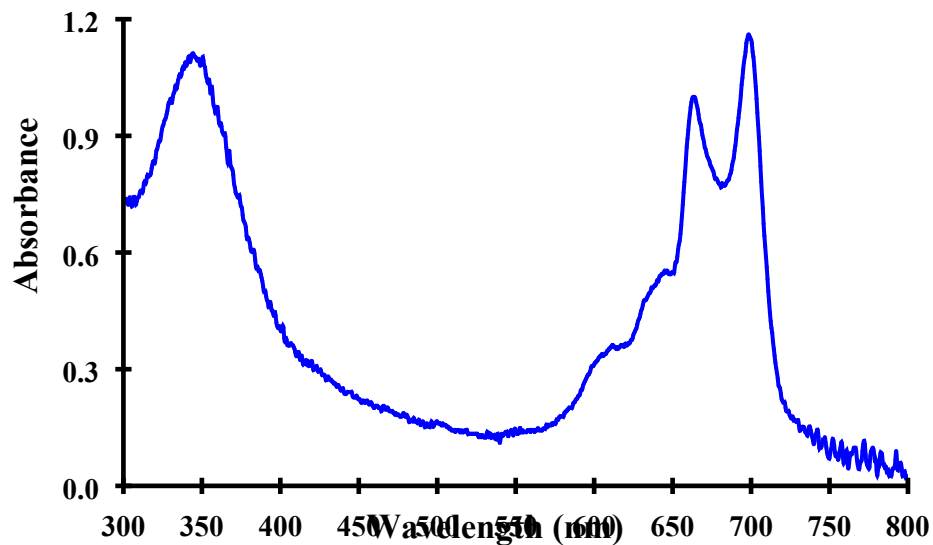


Figure S4. UV – Vis spectrum of NGQDs and complex 2 as an example

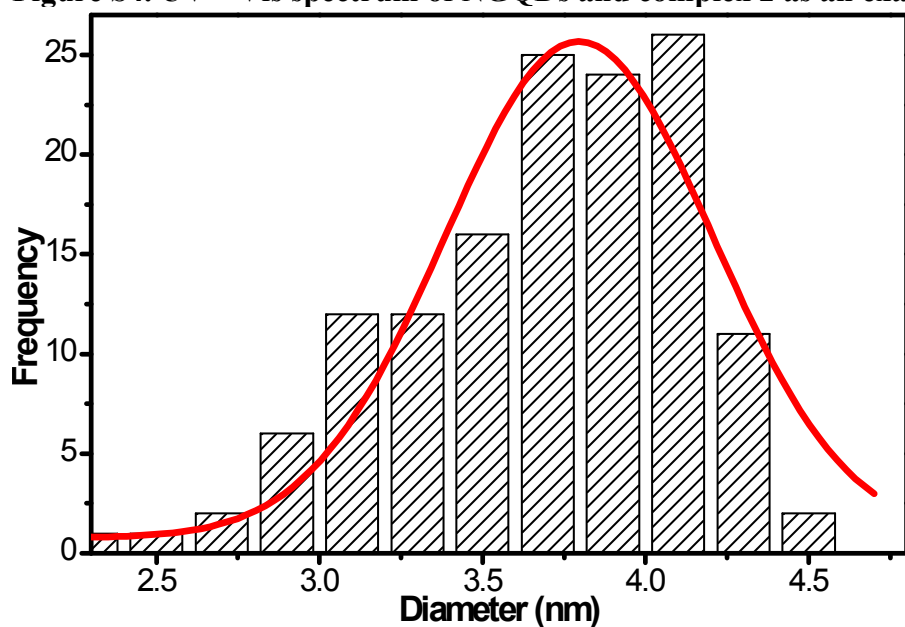


Figure S5. Histogram of the size distribution for NGQDs

Table S1: Optical limiting parameters for complexes and their conjugates

Samples	Wavelength (nm)	$\beta_{\text{eff}}$ (cm/GW)	Ref
Zn Pcs	532	47.74	[36]
40 diff. Pcs	532	0.073-85	[33]
LaPc	532	95.46	[37]
Eu(Pc) <sub>2</sub>	532	85.2	[37]

<b>Eu(Pc)<sub>2</sub></b>	532	44.1	[37]
<b>Nd(Pc)<sub>2</sub></b>	532	42	[38]
<b>Alkyl Pc1</b>	532	310	[39]
<b>Alkyl Pc2</b>	532	420	[39]
<b>Alkoxy Pc1</b>	532	1600	[40]
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<b>GaPc dimer</b>	532	32-35	[41]
<b>GO-PcZn</b>	532	51	[7]
<b>Pc-GQDs</b>	532	231	[13]
<b>Pc-NGQDs</b>	532	287.6	[13]
<b>Pc-SGQDs</b>	532	319.8	[13]