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Synergic Effect on Oxygen Reduction Reaction of Strapped Iron Porphyrins Polymerized around Carbon Nanotubes

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Supplementary information

Techniques. Mass spectra: ESI: *Micromass MS/ MS ZABSpec TOFF* spectrometer MALDI-TOF: *Microflex-LT Bruker Daltonics* were performed at the C.R.M.P.O. (University of Rennes 1). ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on *BrukerAvance500* or *BrukerAvance300* spectrometers equipped with a TBI probe or a *BrukerAvance300* spectrometer with a BBO probe. Spectra were referenced with residual solvent protons. UV/ Vis/NIR spectra were recorded on an Uvikon XL spectrometer or on a Perkin Elmer lambda900 UV/Vis/NIR spectrophotometer. FT-IR spectra were recorded on a

Bruker Alpha FT-IR spectrometer. Raman Spectra were recorded on a Horiba-Jobin Yvon LabRAM ARAMIS spectrometer with excitation at 532 nm or on a Renishaw Invia spectrometer using an excitation wavelength of 476 nm. For the SEM analyses: nanotube hybrids dispersed in THF were drop-casted on freshly cleaned Si/SiO₂ surfaces and immediately dried by N₂ blow drying. The samples were investigated with a Hitachi S-4500 Scanning Electron Microscope. For TEM analyses, the samples dispersed, in *iso*-propanol, were drop-casted on copper grids covered with Lacey carbon films and imaged with an aberration corrected TEM Titan Ultimate working at 80kV. For X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) a Kratos Analytical Axis Ultra DLD, using an Al K α source monochromatized at 1486.6 eV was used.

Materials. Chemicals were purchased from Aldrich and were used as received. Solvents were purchased from Aldrich or VWR and were used as received. THF (K/benzophenone, N₂) was distilled before use. MWNT commercial grade NC3100 (>95%) were purchased from Nanocyl and purified according literature procedure.¹

Synthesis.

1. Synthesis of the MWNT-FeP hybrids 9 and 10 and preparation of MWNT-FeP(11)

MWNT-FeP (9) and MWNT-FeP (10). Purified MWNT (10 mg) were dispersed in *N*-methylpyrrolidone (NMP) (100 mL), then **FeP(9)** or **FeP(10)** (9 mg) was added and the mixture was gently sonicated and then let sit for 30 min. Then a freshly prepares solution of copper (I) chloride (30 mg, 0.30 mmol) in NMP (5 mL), and *N,N,N',N'*-tetramethylethylenediamine (TMEDA) (120 μ L) were added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24h under an atmosphere of oxygen. After reaction, the suspension of nanotube materials were purified by filtration through PTFE membrane (0.2 μ m) and washing with NMP (to remove unbound porphyrins), water, NH₄Cl solution (to remove the copper catalyst) and then with again water and NMP. The buckypaper was

redispersed in NMP then refiltered, washed with NMP, water, acetone and CH₂Cl₂ and dried under vacuum.

MWNT-FeP (11). A mixture of purified **MWNT** (9 mg) and porphyrin **FeP(11)**(9 mg) in dry THF (10 ml) was homogenized using a sonic bath (Fisherbrand, 37kHz, power 100%) for 15 min. The THF was gently evaporated with a stream of N₂ and the mixtures were dried under vacuum.

2. Synthesis of iron catalysts 9 and 10 bearing propargyloxy groups at their periphery.

4-(prop-2-ynyloxy) benzaldehyde 1. To a solution of corresponding 4-hydroxy benzaldehyde (10 g, 0.08 mol) in DMF (100 mL) under vigorous stirring condition, K₂CO₃ (13.2 g, 1.2 equiv.) was added and the reaction was hold for another 10-15 minutes. Propargyl bromide (6.6 mL, 1.1 equiv.) was added at once. The reaction mixture was kept under stirring for 16 hours. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was taken in a separating funnel and quenched by water. Water and diethyl ether were added. The organic layer was separated, washed with saturated brine solution. The organic solution was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated to dryness when a light yellow liquid appeared. The liquid was dissolved in the minimum amount of Et₂O and the small amount of hexane is slowly added on the top of Et₂O solution. After one hour the compound was crystallized from the solution. Yield: 87 % (11.4 g). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 9.86 (1H, s, CHO), 7.81 (2H, d, *J* = 8.78 Hz, aro₂), 7.05 (2H, d, *J* = 8.78 Hz, aro₃), 4.75 (2H, d, *J* = 2.39 Hz, alp₁), 2.59 (1H, t, ³*J* = 2.39 Hz, alp₃). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 190.7, 162.3, 131.8, 130.5, 115.1, 77.6, 76.49, 56.0. ESI-HRMS: 183.0416 [M+Na]⁺ for C₁₀H₈O₂Na, found 183.0418, calcd m/z = 215.0678 [M+Na+CH₃OH]⁺ for C₁₁H₁₂O₃Na, found 215.0675.

5-(5-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)-2-nitrophenyl) dipyrromethane 2. In a two neck round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar and a gas inlet, compound **1** (10 g, 48.7 mmol) was charged with pyrrole (81 mL, 25 equiv.). The reaction mixture was degassed for 15 min in argon under dark at room temperature, then TFA (0.1 equiv.) was added. The solution was stirred for 30 min then the reaction mixture was quenched by Et₃N. The excess pyrrole was recovered under reduced pressure. The resulting solid was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ and directly loaded on a silica gel chromatography column. The desired compound eluted with 20% ethyl acetate-hexane was obtained in 51% yield (7.9 g). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 8.14 (2H, NH_{pyr}), 8.01 (1H, d, *J* = 9.15 Hz, aro₃), 6.92 (1H, dd, ²*J* = 9.15 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.81 Hz, aro₄), 6.82 (1H, d, *J* = 2.81 Hz, aro₆), 6.70 (2H, m, Pyr₃), 6.35 (1H, s, CH_α), 6.14 (2H, m, Pyr₂), 5.88 (2H, m, Pyr₁), 4.66 (2H, d, *J* = 2.42 Hz, alp₁), 2.53 (1H, t, ³*J* = 2.42 Hz, alp₃). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 160.9, 142.2, 140.8, 130.7, 127.4, 117.6, 117.1, 113.3, 108.6, 107.4, 77.1, 76.7, 56.1, 39.3. ESI-HRMS: calcd *m/z* = 344.1005 [M+Na]⁺ for C₁₈H₁₅N₃O₃Na, found 344.1002.

2-nitro-5-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy) benzaldehyde 3. To a solution of corresponding 5-hydroxy-2-nitrobenzaldehyde (25 g, 0.15 mol) in DMF (250 mL) under vigorous stirring condition, K₂CO₃ (24.7 g, 1.2 equiv.) was added and the reaction was hold for another 10-15 minutes. Propargyl bromide (12.4 mL, 1.1 equiv.) was added at once. The reaction mixture was kept under stirring for 16 hours. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was taken in a separating funnel and quenched by water. Water and diethyl ether were added. The organic layer was separated, washed with saturated brine solution. The organic solution was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated to dryness when a pale yellow liquid appeared. The pale yellow liquid was dissolved in the minimum amount of Et₂O and the small amount of hexane is slowly added on the top of Et₂O solution. After one hour the compound was crystallized from the solution. Yield: 86 % (25.8 g). ¹H

NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 10.46 (1H, s, CHO), 8.16 (1H, d, $J = 9.04$ Hz, aro₃), 7.41 (1H, d, $J = 2.80$ Hz, aro₆), 7.24 (1H, dd, $^2J = 9.04$ Hz, $^4J = 2.80$ Hz, aro₄), 4.84 (2H, d, $J = 2.45$ Hz, alp₁), 2.60 (1H, t, $^3J = 2.31$ Hz, alp₃). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 188.2, 161.7, 142.9, 134.1, 127.2, 119.3, 114.5, 77.3, 76.5, 56.6. ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 206.0447$ [M+H]⁺ for C₁₀H₈NO₄, found 206.0446, calcd $m/z = 228.0267$ [M+Na]⁺ for C₁₀H₇NO₄Na, found 228.0268.

5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-2-nitrophenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-porphyrin

4. Dipyrrromethane **2** (2 g, 6.2 mmol) and 4-(prop-2-ynyloxy) benzaldehyde **1** (990 mg, 6.2 mmol) were dissolved in freshly prepared distilled CH₂Cl₂ (600 mL) in a 1 L round-bottomed flask containing molecular sieves, degassed with a stream of argon for 15 min. Then BF₃-Et₂O (180 μ L, 0.1 equiv.) was added slowly over 30 s. The reaction was stirred at room temperature with the progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC and MALDI. After 16 hours, DDQ (6.2 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for further 1 h. The complete reaction mixture was quenched by triethylamine and evaporated under reduced pressure to give a black solid which was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂. The mixture of atropisomers $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\alpha$ dinitroporphyrin were purified by silica gel column chromatography using DCM as eluent. In this step, the two atropisomers were not separated due to the close polarity of the two compounds. Yield: 34 % (970 mg). ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 921.2667$ [M+H]⁺ for C₅₆H₃₇N₆O₈, found 921.2668, calcd $m/z = 943.2486$ [M+Na]⁺ for C₅₆H₃₆N₆O₈Na, found 943.2488. UV-vis (CHCl₃): λ/nm (10^{-3} ϵ , dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 424 (305), 520 (28.6), 556 (19), 596 (17), 652 (14.4).

5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-2-aminophenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-

porphyrin 5. The atropisomers of $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\alpha$ dinitroporphyrin **4** (2 g, 2.17 mmol) were taken in a 2 L conical flask along with a reducing agent SnCl₂.2H₂O (10 equiv.) and concentrated HCl (100 mL) was

added slowly to the ethanol mixture of porphyrin. The resulting green solution was stirred for 2 days at RT. After completion of the reaction, it was quenched by aqueous KOH solution at 0 °C under ice. The resulting violet solution was washed several times with water and CHCl₃. The organic layers were collected and dried over MgSO₄. Yield: 80 % (1.5 g).

In a 1 L two necks round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar and a condenser, 200 g of silica (60 μm) were added to toluene (400 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and degassed with argon during 45 min. Then 1.5 g of the atropisomers was dissolved in toluene and added to the silica gel. The mixture was stirred overnight at 80 °C and loaded once cooled to room temperature over a silica gel chromatography. After evaporation of the solvent, the compound was dissolved in minimum amount of DCM and purified by column chromatography. The two atropisomers were separated on a silica gel chromatography eluted with DCM/MeOH (αβ 0.3%, αα 0.6%). Yield: αα (1 gm, 66%), αβ (0.5 gm, 34%). ¹H NMR of αα-isomer (DMSO-d₆, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 8.88 (4H, d, *J* = 4.54 Hz, βpyr), 8.83 (4H, d, *J* = 4.27 Hz, βpyr), 8.15 (2H, d, *J* = 7.93 Hz, aro₉), 8.12 (2H, d, *J* = 7.93 Hz, aro_{9'}), 7.44 (6H, aro₈, aro_{8'}, aro₅), 7.24 (2H, dd, ²*J* = 9.07 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.83 Hz, aro₃), 7.09 (2H, d, *J* = 9.07 Hz, aro₂), 5.10 (4H, d, *J* = 2.20 Hz, alp_{1'}), 4.79 (4H, d, *J* = 2.27 Hz, alp₁), 4.24 (4H, s, NH₂), 3.75 (2H, t, ³*J* = 2.37 Hz, alp_{3'}), 3.57 (2H, t, *J* = 2.27 Hz, alp₃), -2.82 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ¹³C NMR of αα-isomer (DMSO-d₆, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 157.6, 148.2, 143.5, 135.7, 135.6, 134.4, 126.4, 121.6, 119.4, 117.8, 116.8, 116.1, 113.7, 80.4, 79.9, 79.0, 78.5, 56.8, 56.2. ESI-HRMS: calcd *m/z* = 861.3183 [M+H]⁺ for C₅₆H₄₀N₆O₄, found 861.3180. UV-vis (CHCl₃): λ/nm (10⁻³ ε, dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 421 (316), 519 (24), 554 (13), 591 (11.4), 650 (9).

α-5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-2-{3-chloromethyl}benzoylamido)-phenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-porphyrin 6. In a 250 mL two neck round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar was charged with **5** (700 mg, 0.82 mM); dry DCM (200 mL), and NEt₃ (300 μL, 2.5 equiv.), After

cooling in an ice bath, 3-(chloromethyl)benzoyl chloride (290 μ L, 2.5 equiv.) was added dropwise under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir for three hours. Then the reaction was quenched by water and separated the organic layer. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The resulting solid was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 and directly loaded on a silica gel chromatography column. The expected compound eluted with 0.1% DCM/MeOH, was obtained in 97% yield (930 mg). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 8.93 (8H, β pyr), 8.73 (2H, d, $J = 9.31$ Hz, aro_2), 8.12 (2H, d, $J = 7.99$ Hz, aro_9), 8.03 (2H, d, $J = 7.99$ Hz, aro_9), 7.81 (2H, d, $J = 2.90$ Hz, aro_5), 7.54 (2H, dd, $^2J = 9.31$ Hz, $^4J = 2.97$ Hz, aro_3), 7.42 (2H, s, NHCO), 7.38 (2H, d, $J = 8.16$ Hz, aro_8), 7.35 (2H, d, $J = 8.16$ Hz, aro_8), 6.73 (2H, d, $J = 7.85$ Hz, aro_4), 6.50 (2H, d, $J = 7.45$ Hz, aro_6), 6.52 (2H, t, $J = 7.75$, aro_5), 6.31 (2H, bs, aro_2), 4.98 (4H, d, $J = 2.39$ Hz, alp_1), 4.89 (4H, d, $J = 2.25$ Hz, alp_1), 3.31 (4H, s, CH_2 bz), 2.69 (2H, t, $J = 2.52$ Hz, alp_3), 2.60 (2H, t, $J = 2.41$ Hz, alp_3), -2.65 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 164.7, 157.7, 153.0, 137.1, 135.7, 135.6, 134.9, 134.5, 133.5, 133.1, 130.7, 128.3, 126.1, 126.0, 122.5, 121.5, 120.7, 116.2, 113.5, 113.4, 113.3, 78.5, 78.4, 77.2, 76.0, 56.4, 56.1, 44.3. ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 1165.3241$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ for $\text{C}_{72}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_6\text{O}_6^{35}\text{Cl}_2$, found 1165.3245, calcd $m/z = 1187.3061$ for $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, found 1187.3054. UV-vis (CHCl_3): λ/nm ($10^{-3} \epsilon$, $\text{dm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$): 425 (382), 519 (15.2), 557 (7), 594 (5.5), 650 (4.2).

α -5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(diterbutylxycarbonyl)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-porphyrin 7a. A mixture of potassium tert-butoxide (290 mg, 10 equiv.) and diterbutyl malonate (290 μ L, 5 equiv.) in dry THF (20 mL) was stirred at RT for 30 min. The resulting mixture was added to a solution of porphyrin **6** (300 mg, 0.25 mM) in THF (100 mL) and was maintained for stirring 8h. The reaction was monitored in every hour by TLC and MALDI. After 8h of stirring the reaction was completed and quenched by water. After removal of THF in the rotary evaporator, the product was separated by DCM. The

solvent was removed under vacuum and purified by column chromatography eluted with CH₂Cl₂. The expected compound was obtained in 50% yield (170 mg). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 8.95 (2H, d, *J* = 9.22 Hz, aro_{2'}), 8.91 (4H, d, *J* = 4.84 Hz, βpyr), 8.88 (4H, d, *J* = 4.83 Hz, βpyr), 8.16 (2H, d, *J* = 8.66 Hz, aro₉), 8.06 (2H, d, *J* = 8.72 Hz, aro_{9'}), 7.87 (2H, s, NHCO), 7.79 (2H, d, *J* = 2.99 Hz, aro_{5'}), 7.67 (2H, d, *J* = 7.85 Hz, aro₆), 7.54 (2H, dd, ²*J* = 9.22 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.99 Hz, aro_{3'}), 7.38 (2H, d, *J* = 8.62 Hz, aro₈), 7.34 (2H, d, *J* = 8.22 Hz, aro_{8'}), 6.99 (2H, t, *J* = 7.70 Hz, aro₅), 6.82 (2H, d, *J* = 7.70 Hz, aro₄), 4.97 (4H, d, *J* = 2.37 Hz, alp₁), 4.94 (2H, s, aro₂), 4.88 (4H, d, *J* = 2.33 Hz, alp_{1'}), 2.69 (2H, t, ³*J* = 2.37 Hz, alp₃), 2.58 (2H, t, ³*J* = 2.33 Hz, alp_{3'}), 1.60 (4H, s, CH₂ bz), -0.27 (18H, s, CH₃ tBu), -2.48 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 167.7, 164.4, 157.6, 152.7, 136.4, 136.2, 135.2, 134.7, 133.7, 133.3, 132.9, 132.8, 128.2, 127.1, 125.6, 122, 121.5, 120.6, 116.2, 113.4, 113.3, 80.3, 78.5, 78.4, 76, 75.9, 59.9, 56.5, 56.1, 42, 26. ESI-HRMS: calcd *m/z* = 1309.5069 [M+H]⁺ for C₈₃H₆₉N₆O₁₀, found 1309.5070, calcd *m/z* = 1331.4889 for [M+Na]⁺, found 1331.4873. UV-vis (CHCl₃): λ/nm (10⁻³ ε, dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 424 (340), 516 (20), 556 (9), 595 (7), 650 (5).

α-5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(diethoxycarbonyl)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-porphyrin 7b. Sodium metal (120 mg, 10 equiv.) was added to the absolute alcohol (15 mL) in a small round bottom flask and stirred for few minutes until the complete consumption of Na. Diethyl malonate (785 μL, 10 equiv.) was added to this solution at room temperature and stirred for half an hour. The resulting mixture was added to a solution of porphyrin **6** (0.5 mmol, 600 mg, 1 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL) and the solution was turned immediately from violet to green. After 2h of stirring the reaction was quenched by H₂O, the organic layer was separated and removed under vacuum. The desired product was purified on a silica gel chromatography column eluted with 0.1% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH. The expected compound was obtained in 80% yield (515 mg). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 9.03 (2H, d, *J* = 9.28 Hz,

aro_{2'}), 8.95 (4H, d, $J = 4.83$ Hz, β pyr), 8.92 (4H, d, $J = 4.83$ Hz, β pyr), 8.22 (2H, d, $J = 8.08$ Hz, aro₉), 8.02 (2H, d, $J = 8.72$ Hz, aro_{9'}), 8.01 (2H, s, NHCO), 7.71 (2H, d, $J = 2.98$ Hz, aro_{5'}), 7.68 (2H, d, $J = 7.83$ Hz, aro₆), 7.55 (2H, dd, $^2J = 9.23$ Hz, $^4J = 3$ Hz, aro_{3'}), 7.40 (2H, d, $J = 8.62$ Hz, aro₈), 7.35 (2H, d, $J = 8.22$ Hz, aro_{8'}), 6.98 (2H, t, $J = 7.63$ Hz, aro₅), 6.73 (2H, d, $J = 7.63$ Hz, aro₄), 4.98 (4H, d, $J = 2.29$ Hz, alp₁), 4.96 (2H, bs, aro₂), 4.87 (4H, d, $J = 2.33$ Hz, alp_{1'}), 2.69 (2H, t, $^3J = 2.43$ Hz, alp₃), 2.58 (2H, t, $^3J = 2.32$ Hz, alp_{3'}), 1.72 (4H, s, CH₂ b₂), 1.29 (4H, bs, CH₂ ester), -0.51 (6H, t, $^3J = 7.16$ Hz, CH₃ ester), -2.44 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 167.6, 164.2, 157.6, 152.7, 135.9, 135.8, 135.1, 134.7, 133.8, 133.4, 132.9, 132.3, 128.2, 127.3, 125.7, 121.8, 121.3, 120.5, 116.1, 113.5, 113.4, 78.5, 78.4, 76.0, 75.9, 59.9, 58.8, 56.4, 56.1, 42.4, 12.0. ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 1253.4443$ [M+H]⁺ for C₇₉H₆₁N₆O₁₀, found 1253.4446, calcd $m/z = 1275.4263$ [M+Na]⁺ for C₇₉H₆₀N₆O₁₀Na, found 1275.4253. UV-vis (CHCl₃): λ/nm (10^{-3} ϵ , dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 425 (344), 518 (20.6), 557 (9.8), 594 (7.6), 650 (5.6).

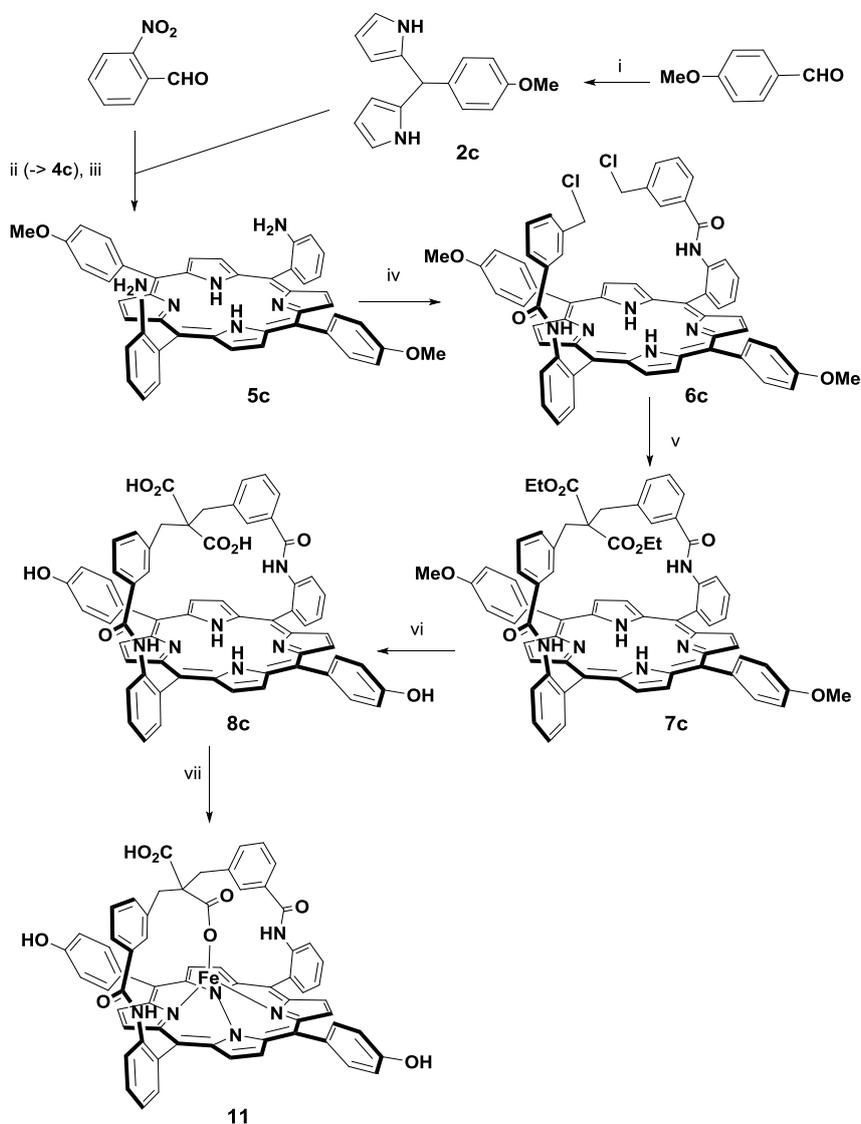
α -5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(diethoxycarbonyl)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-iron(III) porphyrin 10. 100 mg (0.19 mmol) portion of porphyrin **7b** was dissolved in 10 mL of dry, degassed THF in the schlenk flask in the glove box. Then four equivalent of FeBr₂ was added into the solution along with 50 μ L of 2,6-leutidine acting as a base. The solution was heated for ~12 hours at 70°C under an argon atmosphere. The reaction was monitored by UV-visible spectroscopy and once complete, the product was purified by column chromatography eluted with 0.3% DCM/MeOH. The desired compound was obtained in 90% yield (93 mg). HR-MS (ESI-MS): calcd $m/z = 1306.3558$ [M⁺] for C₇₉H₅₈FeN₆O₁₀, found 1306.3561. UV-vis (CHCl₃): λ/nm (10^{-3} ϵ , dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 419 (238), 514 (19), 572 (14), 615 (5.2).

α -5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(dicarboxylic acid)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-porphyrin 8. Compound **7a** (150 mg, 0.11 mmol) was dissolved in THF (50 mL), 1 mL concentrated HCl was added. After two days of stirring at 60 °C, the mixture was cooled to RT and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Then the compound was dissolved in DCM and washed with water in several times. The organic layer was separated and concentrated under vacuum. The expected compound was purified by column chromatography eluted with 1.5% DCM/MeOH, 0.1% acetic acid. The expected compound was obtained in 60% yield (80 mg). ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 8.88 (4H, d, J = 4.14 Hz, β pyr), 8.79 (4H, d, J = 4.38 Hz, β pyr), 8.62 (2H, s, NHCO), 8.22 (2H, d, J = 7.81 Hz, aro₉), 8.15 (2H, d, J = 8.94 Hz, aro_{2'}), 8.04 (2H, d, J = 2.88 Hz, aro_{5'}), 7.99 (2H, d, J = 7.95 Hz, aro₉), 7.55 (2H, dd, ² J = 8.92 Hz, ⁴ J = 2.93 Hz, aro_{3'}), 7.42 (2H, d, J = 8.41 Hz, aro₈), 7.38 (2H, d, J = 8.60 Hz, aro_{8'}), 7.23 (2H, d, J = 7.73 Hz, aro₆), 6.91 (2H, t, ³ J = 7.74 Hz, aro₅), 6.73 (2H, d, J = 7.78 Hz, aro₄), 5.08 (4H, d, J = 2.37 Hz, alp₁), 5.06 (4H, d, J = 2.26 Hz, alp_{1'}), 4.60 (2H, s, aro₂), 3.76 (2H, t, ³ J = 2.31 Hz, alp₃), 3.74 (2H, t, ³ J = 2.37 Hz, alp_{3'}), 1.26 (4H, s, CH₂ bz), -2.74 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 171.6, 166, 157.6, 158.9, 137, 135.8, 135.5, 134.9, 134.5, 133.2, 131.7, 127.9, 127, 126.7, 126.3, 121.7, 119.9, 115.5, 113.7, 113.6, 79.8, 79.2, 79.1, 79, 59.3, 56.4, 56.2, 40.3. ESI-HRMS: calcd m/z = 1195.3672 [M-H]⁻ for C₇₅H₅₁N₆O₁₀, found 1195.3669, calcd m/z = 1133.3668 [M-CO₂-H₂O-H]⁺ for C₇₄H₄₉N₆O₇, found 1133.3665. UV-vis (DMF): λ /nm (10⁻³ ϵ , dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 426 (330), 522 (14), 559 (9.4), 592 (9), 645 (5.2).

α -5,15-bis-(5-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(dicarboxylic acid)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-{prop-2-yn-1-yloxy}-phenyl)-iron(III)porphyrin 9. A 80 mg (0.06 mmol) of porphyrin **8** was dissolved in 10 mL of dry, degassed THF in the glove box. Then excess amount of FeBr₂ was added into the solution along with 30 μ L of 2,6-lutidine acting as a base. The

solution was stirred for ~36 hours at RT in order to avoid any decarboxylation reaction under an argon atmosphere. The reaction was monitored by UV-visible spectroscopy and once complete, the product was purified by column chromatography eluted with 0.6% DCM/MeOH, 0.1% acetic acid. The desired compound was obtained in 90% yield (75 mg). HR-MS (ESI-MS): calcd m/z = 1250.2932 $[M+H]^+$ for $C_{75}H_{50}FeN_6O_{10}$, found 1250.2937. UV-vis ($CHCl_3$): λ/nm ($10^{-3} \epsilon$, $dm^3 mol^{-1} cm^{-1}$): 418 (240), 515 (22).

3. Synthesis of iron catalyst 11 lacking propargyloxy groups at its periphery.



(4-methoxyphenyl)-dipyrromethane 2c. In a two neck round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar and a gas inlet, 4-methoxy benzaldehyde (92.8 mmol, 11.3 mL) and pyrrole (161.2 mL, 25 equiv.)

were mixed. The reaction mixture was degassed for 15 minutes in argon under dark at room temperature, and then TFA (707 μ L, 0.1 equiv.) was added. The solution was stirred for further half an hour. The reaction was monitored by TLC, after that the reaction mixture was quenched by Et_3N . The excess pyrrole was recovered under reduced pressure. The resulting solid was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 and directly loaded on a silica gel chromatography column. The desired compound eluted with 70% CH_2Cl_2 -cyclohexane was obtained in 50% yield (11.65 g, 46.17 mmol). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 7.90 (2H, pyr_{NH}), 7.18 (2H, d, $J = 8.61$ Hz, aro_2), 6.91 (2H, d, $J = 8.61$ Hz, aro_3), 6.71 (2H, m, pyr_4), 6.22 (2H, m, pyr_3), 5.97 (2H, m, pyr_2), 5.44 (1H, CH_α), 3.84 (3H, s, OMe). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 158.5, 134.3, 132.9, 129.4, 117.2, 114, 108.3, 107.2, 55.3, 43.2. ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 275.1154$ [M-H+Na] $^+$ for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}$, found 275.1159.

5,15-bis-(2-nitrophenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-methoxyphenyl)-porphyrin 4c. 4-methoxyphenyldipyrromethane **2c** (7.9 mmol, 2 g) and 2-nitrobenzaldehyde (1.19 g, 1 equiv.) were dissolved in freshly prepared distilled CH_2Cl_2 (600 mL) in a 1 L round-bottomed flask containing molecular sieves, degassed with a stream of Ar for 15 min. Then $\text{BF}_3\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$ (110 μ L, 0.1 equiv.) was added slowly over 30 s. The reaction was stirred at room temperature and monitored by TLC and MALDI. After 2 hours, DDQ (2.7 g, 1.5 equiv.) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for a further 1 h. The complete reaction mixture was quenched by Et_3N and evaporated under reduced pressure to give a black solid which was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 . The mixture of two atropisomers *i.e.* $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\alpha$ -bis-2-nitrophenylporphyrin were purified by silica gel column chromatography using CH_2Cl_2 as eluent. The atropisomers could not be separated by the usual method of column chromatography on silica gel due to the same polarity. Overall yield: 600 mg (20 %).

α -5,15-bis-(2-aminophenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-methoxyphenyl)-porphyrin 5c. $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\alpha$ atropisomers of the dinitroporphyrin **4c** (5.2 mmol, 4 g) were dissolved in the mixture of CH_2Cl_2 -MeOH (100 mL), taken in a 2 L conical flask along with a reducing agent $\text{SnCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (11.8 g, 10 equiv.) and concentrated HCl (200 mL) was added slowly to the mixture. The resulting green solution was stirred for 2 days at RT. After completion of the reaction (monitored by MALDI), it was quenched by aqueous KOH solution at 0 °C under ice. The resulting violet solution was washed several times with water and CHCl_3 . The organic layers were collected and dried over MgSO_4 . Yield: 2.95 g (80 %).

Atropisomerization. In a 1 L two necks round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar and a condenser, 200 g of silica (60 μm) were added to toluene (400 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80°C and degassed with argon during 45 min. Then 2.9 g of the $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\alpha$ atropisomers of the bis-2-aminophenylporphyrin obtained previously were dissolved in toluene and added to the silica gel mixture in toluene. After evaporation of the solvent, the compound was dissolved in minimum amount of CH_2Cl_2 and purified by column chromatography. The two atropisomers were separated on a silica gel chromatography eluted with CH_2Cl_2 /MeOH ($\alpha\beta$ 0.2%, $\alpha\alpha$ 0.5%). Yield: **5c** $\alpha\alpha$ (1.9 g, 66%), $\alpha\beta$ (0.9 g, 34%). It is worth to note that the atropisomer $\alpha\alpha$ **5c** remains contaminated with by-products resulting from scrambling reactions not separable by silica gel flash chromatography and has not been fully characterized.

α -5,15-bis-(2-[[3-chloromethyl]benzoylamido]-phenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-methoxyphenyl)-porphyrin

6c. A 500 mL two neck round bottom flask equipped with a stirrer and cooled in an ice bath was charged with compound **5c** (0.99 mmol, 700 mg), dry CH_2Cl_2 (300 mL) and NEt_3 (350 μL , 2.5 equiv.). 3-(chloromethyl)benzoyl chloride (420 μL , 3 equiv.) was then added dropwise under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir for three hours. Then the reaction was quenched by water and the organic layer was separated. The solvent was removed under vacuum.

The resulting solid was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ and directly loaded on a silica gel chromatography column. The expected compound eluted with 0.2% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, was obtained in 90% yield (902 mg). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 8.93 (4H, d, *J* = 4.81 Hz, βpyr), 8.87 (4H, d, βpyr), 8.93 (2H, d, *J* = 8.06 Hz, aro_{2'}), 8.13 (2H, d, *J* = 7.49 Hz, aro_{5'}), 8.11 (2H, d, *J* = 7.60 Hz, aro₉), 8.02 (2H, d, *J* = 7.60 Hz, aro_{9'}), 7.91 (2H, t, ³*J* = 8.06 Hz, aro_{3'}), 7.63 (2H, s, NHCO), 7.59 (2H, t, *J* = 7.49 Hz, aro_{4'}), 7.28 (4H, bs, aro₈, aro_{8'}), 6.73 (2H, d, *J* = 7.68 Hz, aro₄), 6.55 (2H, d, *J* = 7.90 Hz, aro₆), 6.49 (2H, t, *J* = 7.68, aro₅), 6.33 (2H, s, aro₂), 4.09 (6H, s, OMe), 3.30 (4H, s, CH₂ bz), -2.61 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 164.7, 159.7, 138.7, 137.1, 135.7, 135.6, 134.9, 134.7, 133.6, 131.7, 130.8, 129.9, 128.4, 126.2, 126.1, 123.2, 120.9, 120.7, 113.7, 112.5, 112.4, 55.6, 44.3. ESI-HRMS: calcd *m/z* = 1009.3030 [M+H]⁺ for C₆₂H₄₇N₆O₄³⁵Cl₂, found 1009.3031, calcd *m/z* = 973.3263 [M-HCl+H]⁺ for C₆₂H₄₆N₆O₄³⁵Cl, found 973.3268. UV-vis (DMF): λ/nm (10⁻³ ε, dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 426 (364), 521 (14), 558 (8), 599 (4), 652 (3.4).

α-5,15-bis-({2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(diethoxycarbonyl)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-methoxyphenyl)-porphyrin 7c. Sodium metal (182 mg, 10 equiv.) was added to the absolute alcohol (20 mL) in a small round bottom flask and stirred for few minutes until the complete consumption of Na. Diethyl malonate (1.2 mL, 10 equiv.) was added to this solution at room temperature and stirred for half an hour. The resulting mixture was added to a solution of porphyrin **6c** (0.79 mol, 800 mg, 1 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (600 mL) and the solution was turned immediately from violet to green. After 2h of stirring the reaction was quenched by H₂O, the organic layer was separated and removed under vacuum. The desired product was purified on a silica gel chromatography column eluted with 0.3% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH. The expected compound was obtained in 80% yield (702 mg). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500 MHz): δ 9.15 (2H, d, *J* = 8.39 Hz, aro_{2'}), 8.93 (4H, d, *J* = 4.58 Hz, βpyr), 8.86 (4H, d, *J* = 4.58 Hz, βpyr), 8.22 (2H, s, NHCO), 8.19 (2H, bs, aro₉),

8.01 (2H, d, 2H_l, $J = 7.54$ Hz, aro_{5'}), 7.98 (2H, bs, aro_{9'}), 7.91 (2H, t, $^3J = 7.70$ Hz, aro_{3'}), 7.70 (2H, d, 2H_h, $J = 7.98$ Hz, aro₆), 7.55 (2H, t, $^3J = 7.70$ Hz, aro_{4'}), 7.31 (4H, bs, aro₈, aro_{8'}), 6.98 (2H, t, $^3J = 7.90$ Hz, aro₅), 6.74 (2H, d, $J = 7.90$ Hz, aro₄), 4.99 (2H, s, aro₂), 4.08 (6H, s, OCH₃), 1.70 (4H, s, CH₂ bz), 1.23 (4H, bs, CH₂ ester), -0.55 (6H, t, $J = 6.58$ Hz, CH₃ ester), -2.40 (2H, s, NH_{int}). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 298 K, 500 MHz): δ 167.5, 164.4, 159.6, 138.8, 135.9, 135.2, 134.9, 133.8, 133.7, 132.4, 131.2, 129.9, 128.2, 127.4, 125.9, 122.8, 120.7, 119.7, 113.7, 112.5, 59.9, 58.8, 55.5, 42.5, 11.9. ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 1097.4232$ [M+H]⁺ for C₆₉H₅₇N₆O₈, found 1097.4234, calcd $m/z = 1119.4051$ [M+Na]⁺ for C₆₉H₅₆N₆O₈Na, found 1119.4047. UV-vis (DMF): λ/nm (10^{-3} ϵ , dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹): 425 (380), 520 (15.8), 558 (8.2), 596 (4.4), 653 (3.4).

α -5,15-bis-({{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(dicarboxylic acid)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-porphyrin 8c. Boron tribromide (2.5 mL, 50 equiv.) was added to compound **7c** (0.54 mmol, 600 mg) was dissolved in DCM (100 mL). After 12 h of stirring at RT, the reaction was completed. The mixture was quenched by water. The precipitated compound was filtered and the green solid was washed with water at pH =7. The product was purified by silica gel chromatography column and eluted with CHCl₃/MeOH/AcOH (90/9/1). Yield: 80% (440 mg). ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 298 K, 500.13 MHz): δ 9.92 (2H, s, OH), 8.84 (4H, d, $J = 4.55$ Hz, β pyr), 8.77 (4H, d, $J = 4.55$ Hz, β pyr), 8.59 (2H, s, NHCO), 8.37 (4H, bs, aro_{2'}, aro_{5'}), 8.12 (2H, bs, aro₉), 7.92 (2H, t, $^3J = 7.92$ Hz, aro_{3'}), 7.84 (2H, d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, aro_{9'}), 7.75 (2H, t, $^3J = 7.60$ Hz, aro₄), 7.24 (2H, d, $J = 8.04$ Hz, aro₆), 7.16 (4H, bs, aro₈, aro_{8'}), 6.90 (2H, t, $^3J = 7.49$ Hz, aro₅), 6.72 (2H, d, $J = 7.77$ Hz, aro₄), 4.57 (2H, s, aro₂), 1.19 (4H, s, CH₂ bz), -2.70 (2H, bs, NH_{int}). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆, 298 K, 500 MHz): δ 171.5, 165.7, 157.8, 139.2, 136.2, 135.9, 135.7, 135.3, 134.9, 134.8, 132.1, 132, 129.7, 128.1, 126.8, 126.4, 124.6, 124.3, 120.7, 115.3, 114.3, 59.3, 40.49. ESI-HRMS: calcd $m/z = 1013.3293$ [M+H]⁺ for C₆₃H₄₅N₆O₈, found 1013.3288, calcd $m/z = 1035.3112$ [M-H+Na]⁺ for C₆₃H₄₃N₆NaO₈, found

1035.3102. UV-vis (DMF): λ/nm ($10^{-3} \epsilon, \text{dm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$): 428 (344), 522 (19), 560 (12), 599 (7.6), 655 (6).

α -5,15-bis-({{2,2-(3,3-[2,2-(dicarboxylic acid)propane-1,3-diyl]-dibenzoyl-amido]-diphenyl)-10,20-bis-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-iron(III) porphyrin 11. A free-base solution of porphyrin **8c** in THF in the presence of an excess of iron bromide and 2,6-lutidine was heated at reflux overnight inside a glove box. During this process, some decarboxylation reaction was observed and **11** was obtained in roughly equal proportions with its decarboxylated counterpart as indicated by TLC analysis. The resulting mixture was taken out of the glove box, washed with HCl (1M), and dried. There were easily separated by silica gel chromatography using a gradient of MeOH in CHCl_3 (from 0.2% to 2.2 %) and identified by MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry (**11**: 37%, $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 1066.41).

X-ray crystallographic study.

(C₇₅H₄₈FeN₆O₁₀); *M* = 1249.04. APEXII, Bruker-AXS diffractometer, Mo-K α radiation (λ = 0.71073 Å), *T* = 150(2) K; monoclinic *P* 2₁/*c* (I.T.#14), *a* = 16.0673(8), *b* = 15.0517(6), *c* = 29.0440(14) Å, β = 104.175(2) °, *V* = 6810.1(5) Å³. *Z* = 4, *d* = 1.218 g.cm⁻³, μ = 0.283 mm⁻¹. The structure was solved by dual-space algorithm using the *SHELXT* program,[1] and then refined with full-matrix least-square methods based on *F*² (*SHELXL-2014*).[2] The contribution of the disordered solvents to the structure factors was calculated by the *PLATON SQUEEZE* procedure[3] and then taken into account in the final *SHELXL-2014* least-square refinement. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic atomic displacement parameters. H atoms were finally included in their calculated positions. A final refinement on *F*² with 15532 unique intensities and 840 parameters converged at $\omega R(F^2) = 0.2756$ (*R*(*F*) = 0.1065) for 8594 observed reflections with *I* > 2 σ (*I*).

[1] G. M. Sheldrick, *Acta Cryst.*, 2015, **A71** 3-8.

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[3] A. L. Spek, *Acta Cryst.*, 2015, **C71**, 9-18

Structural data

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<i>k</i> _min, <i>k</i> _max	-19, 17
<i>l</i> _min, <i>l</i> _max	-37, 37
Reflections collected / unique	51054 / 15532 [<i>R</i> (int) ^a = 0.0547]
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Data / restraints / parameters	15532 / 59 / 840
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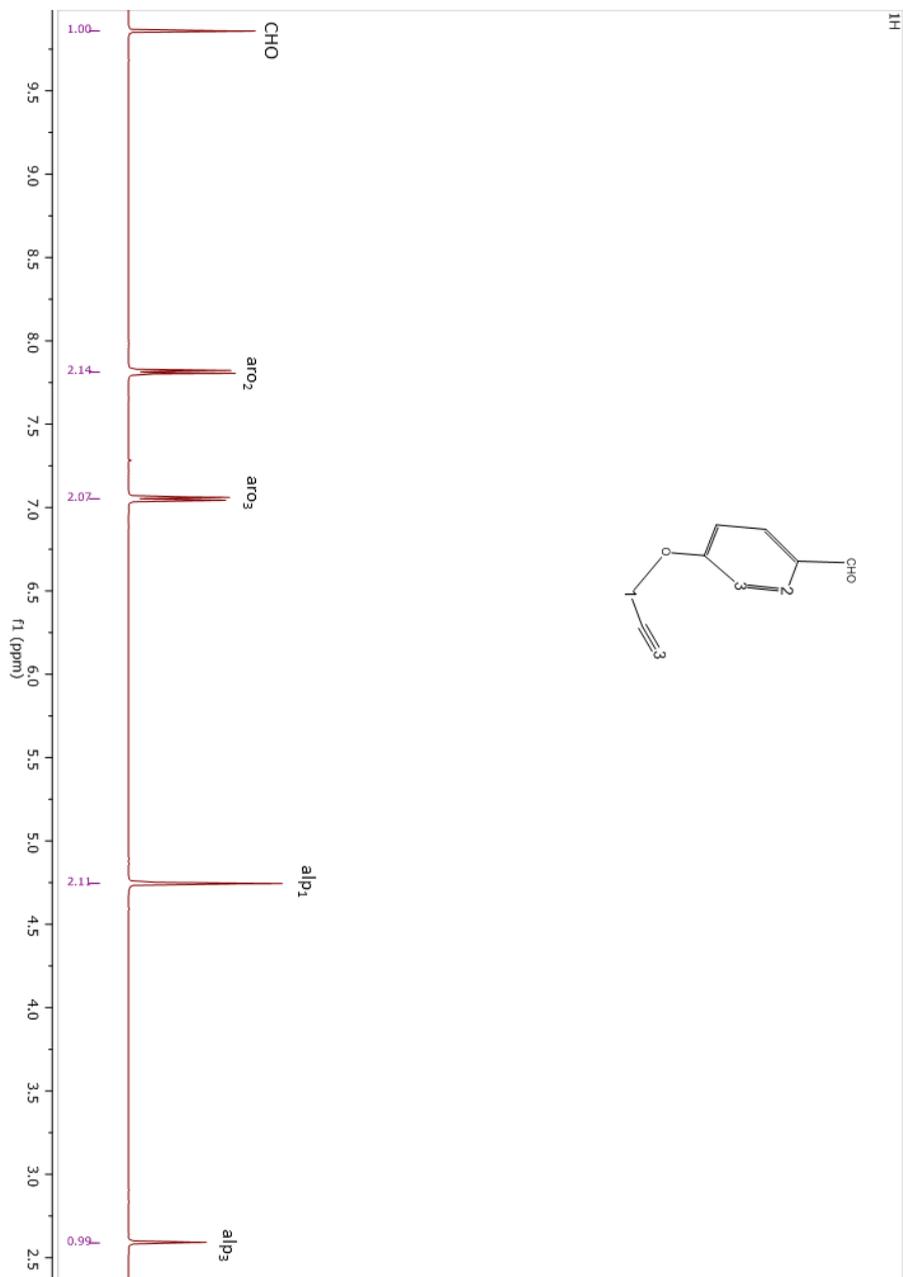
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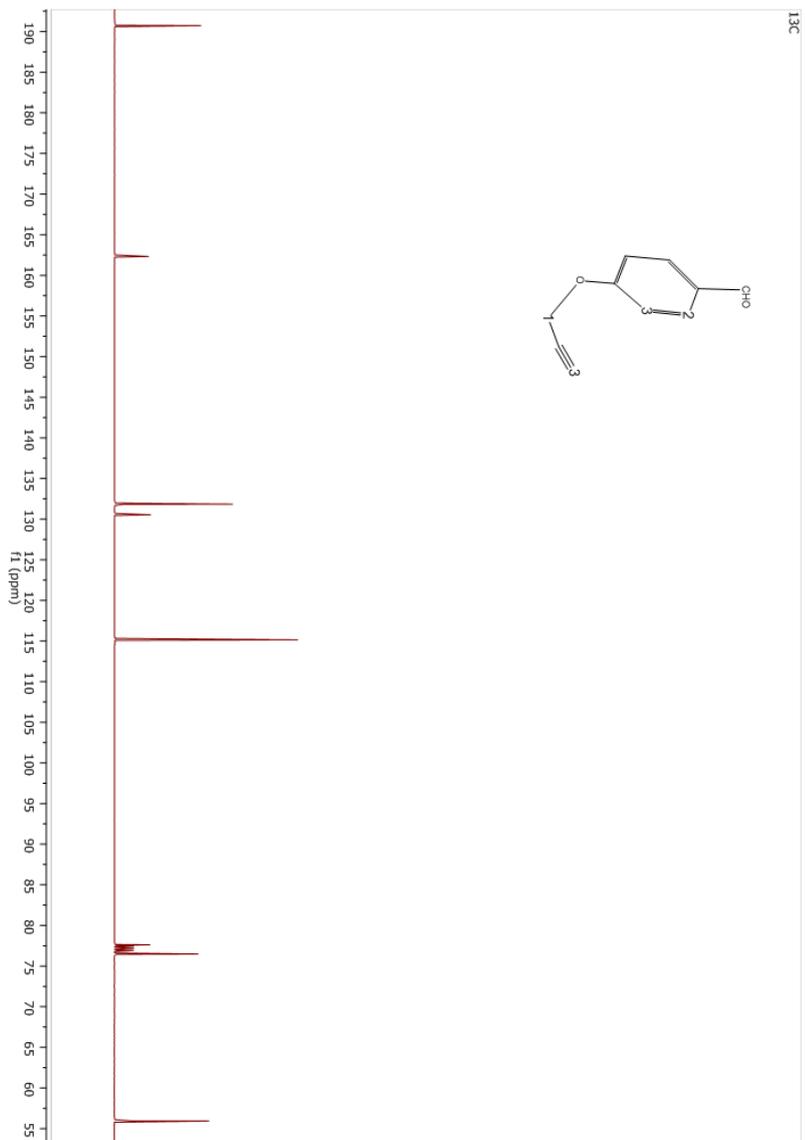
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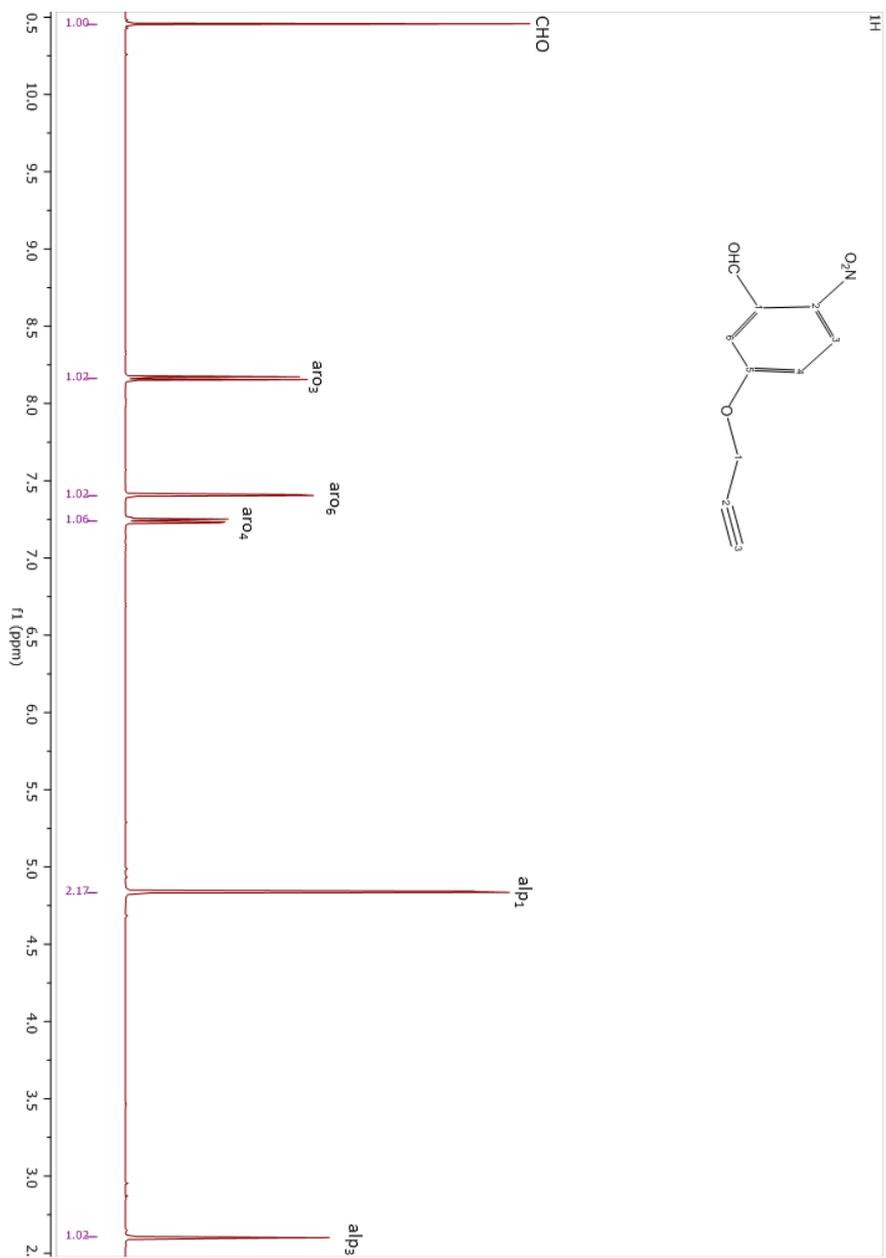
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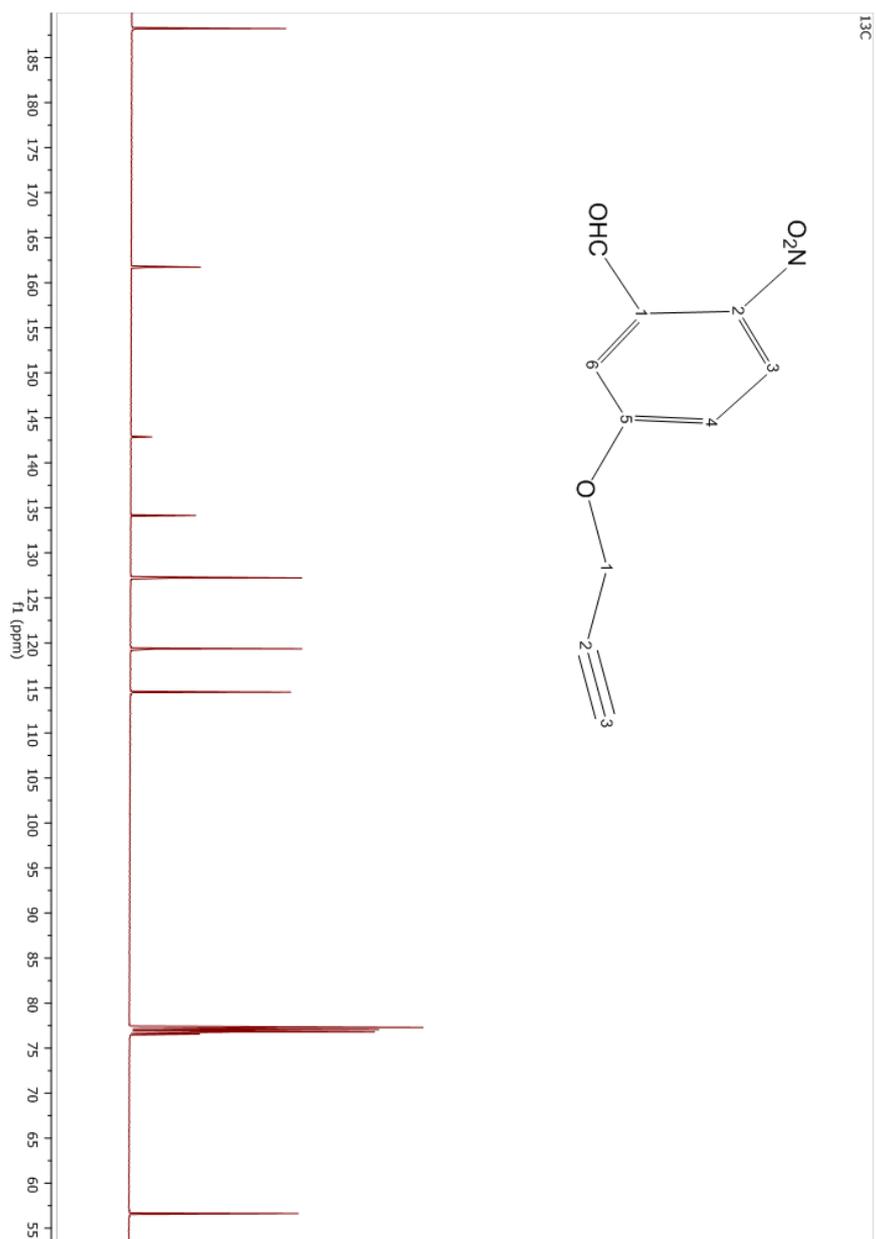
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NMR (¹H, ¹³C, 2D), HRMS and UV-vis. data



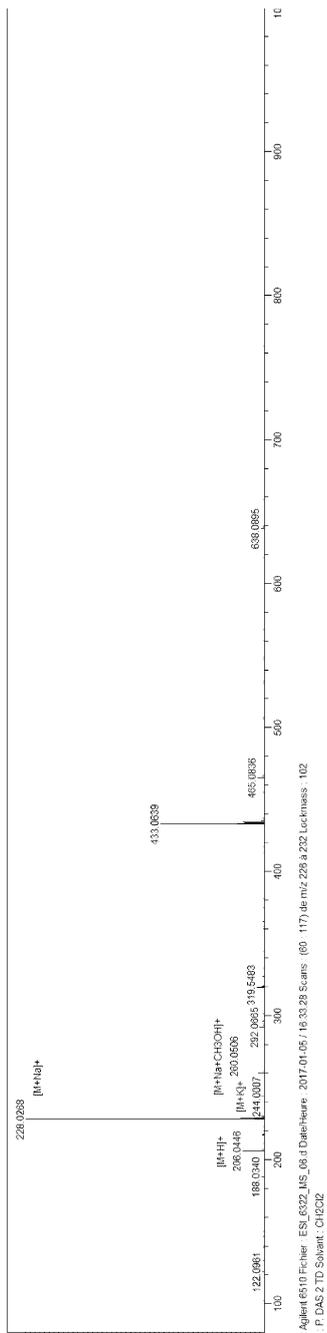




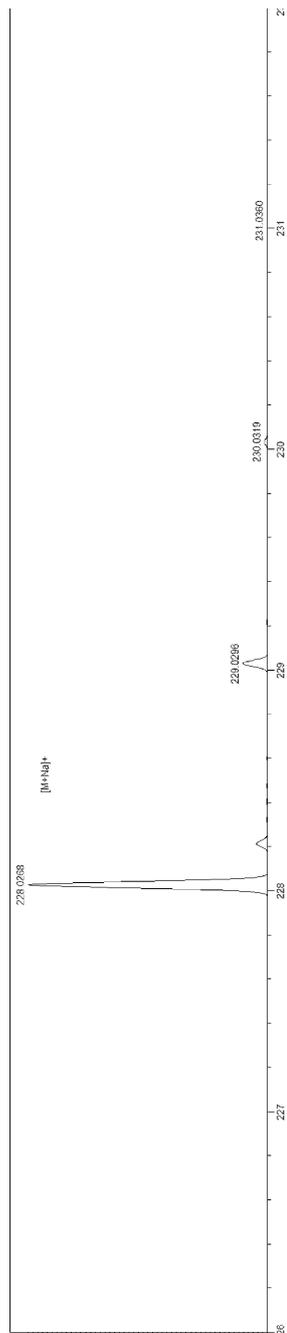


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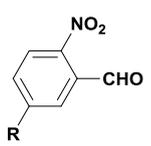
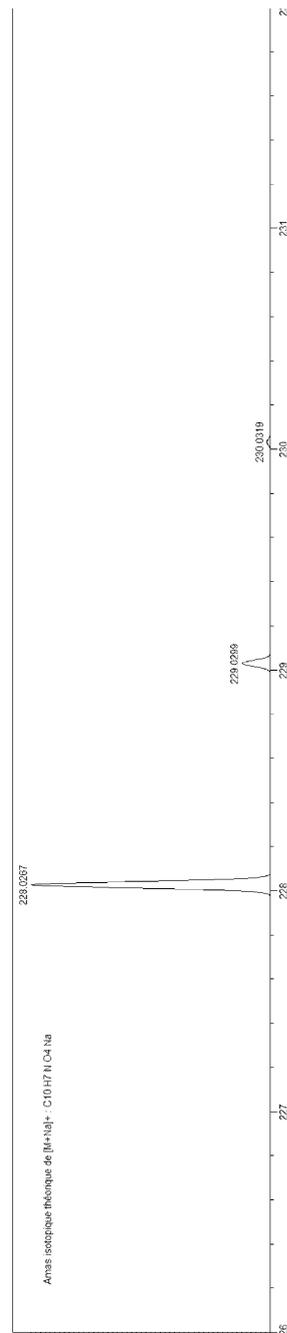
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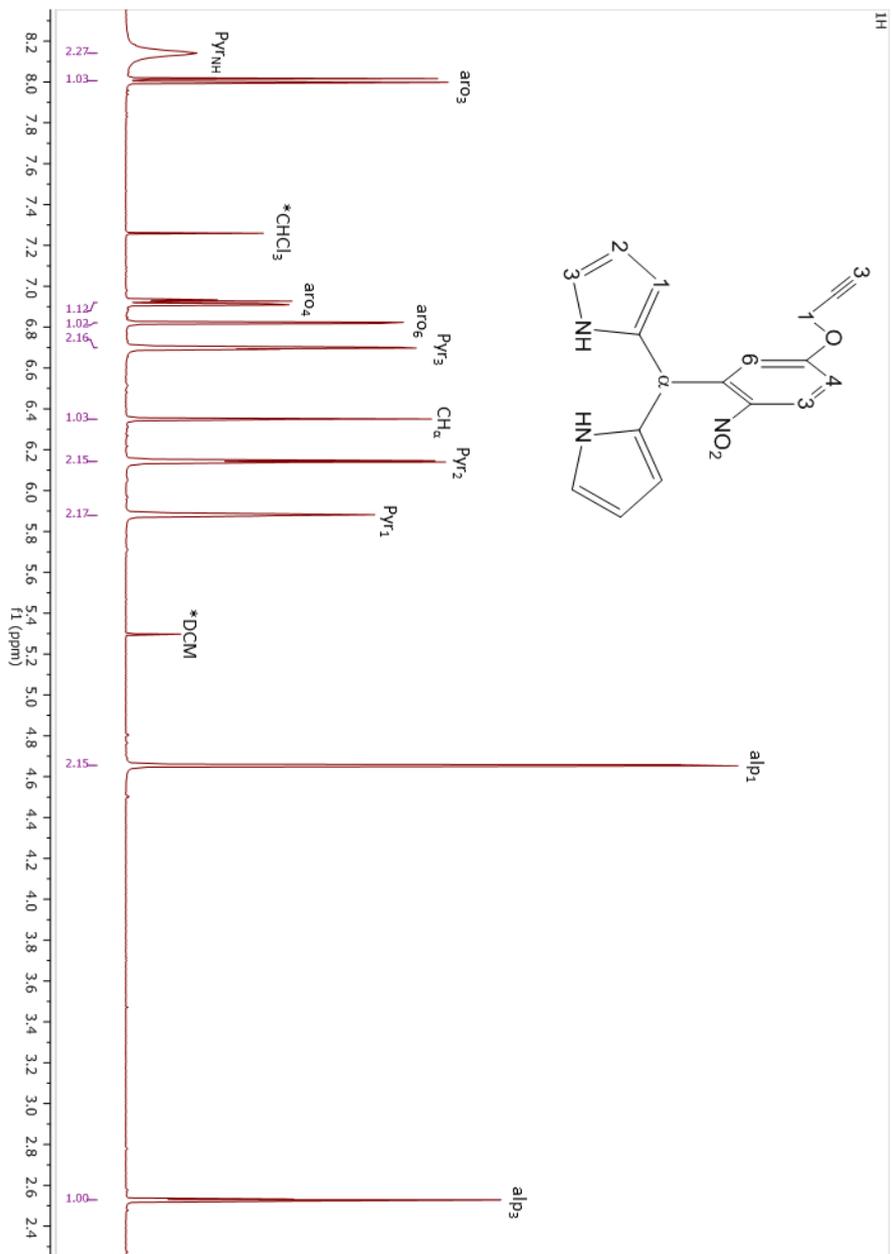
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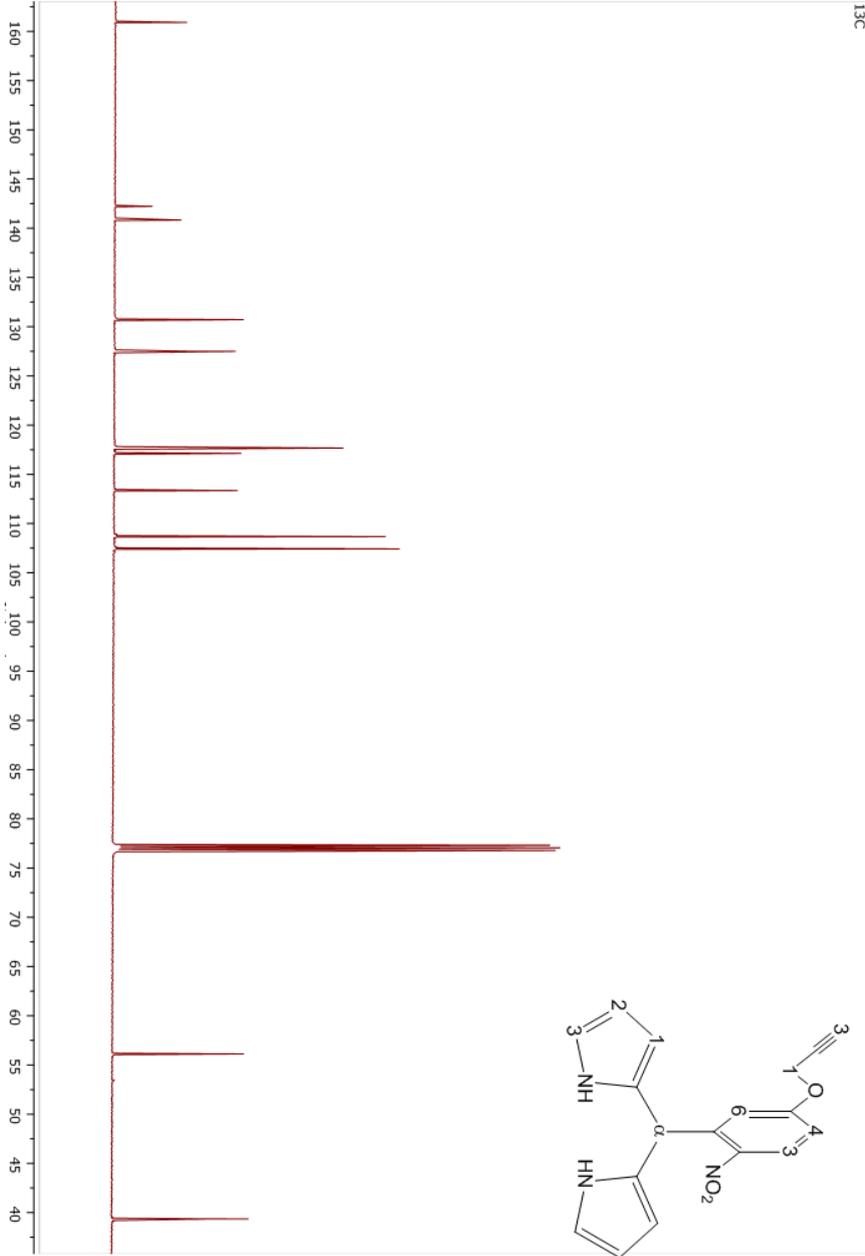
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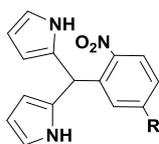
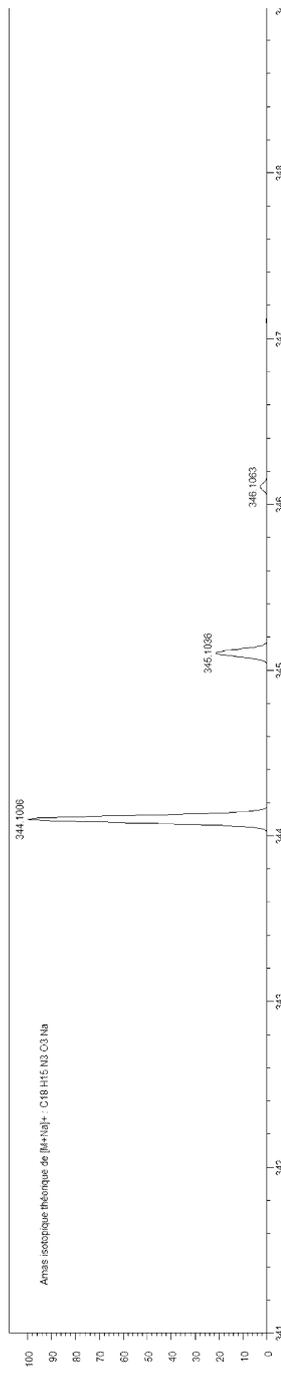
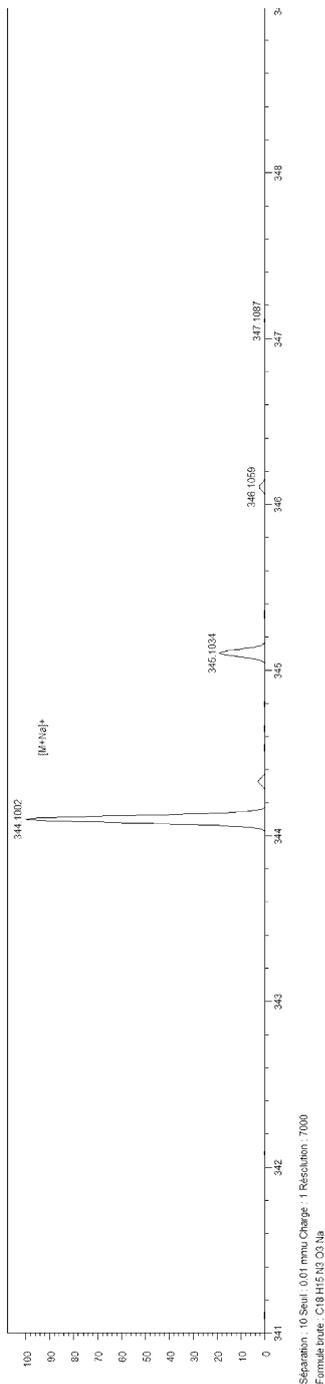
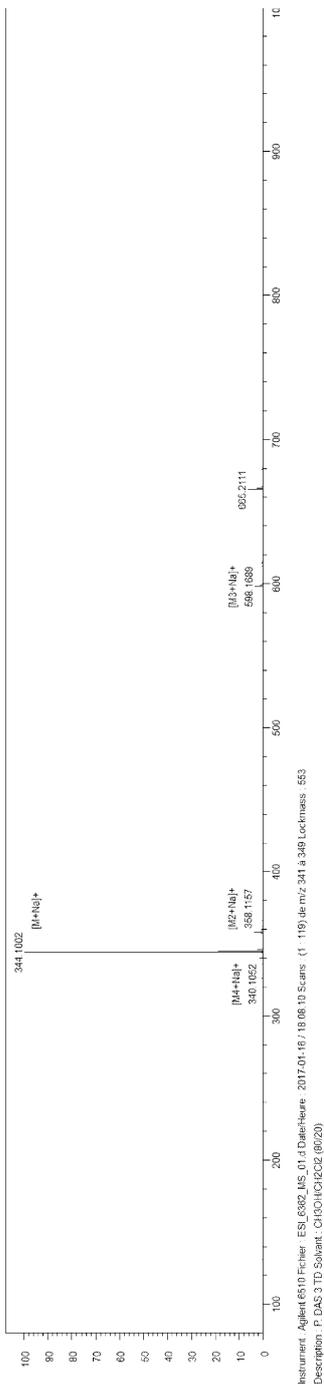


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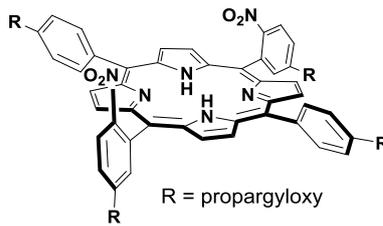
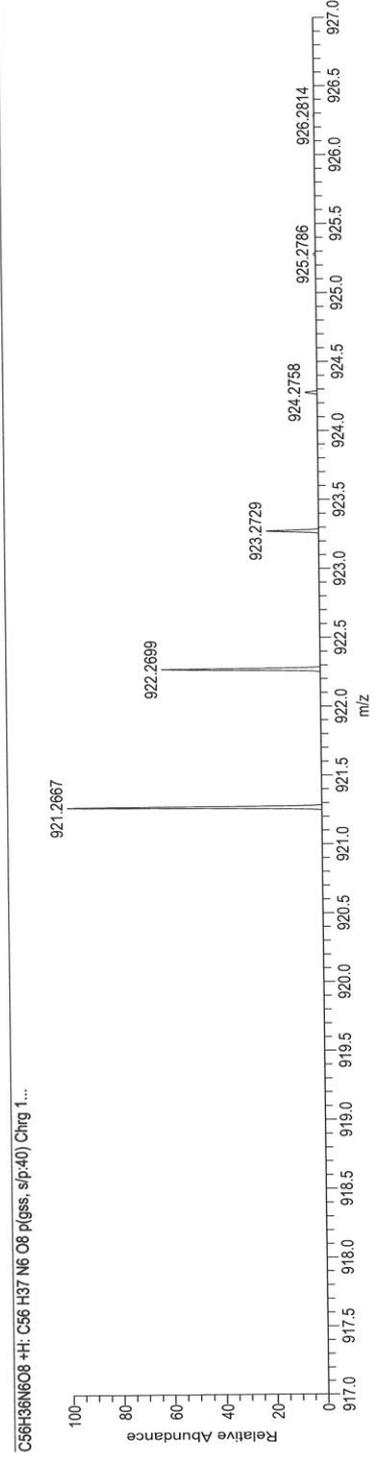
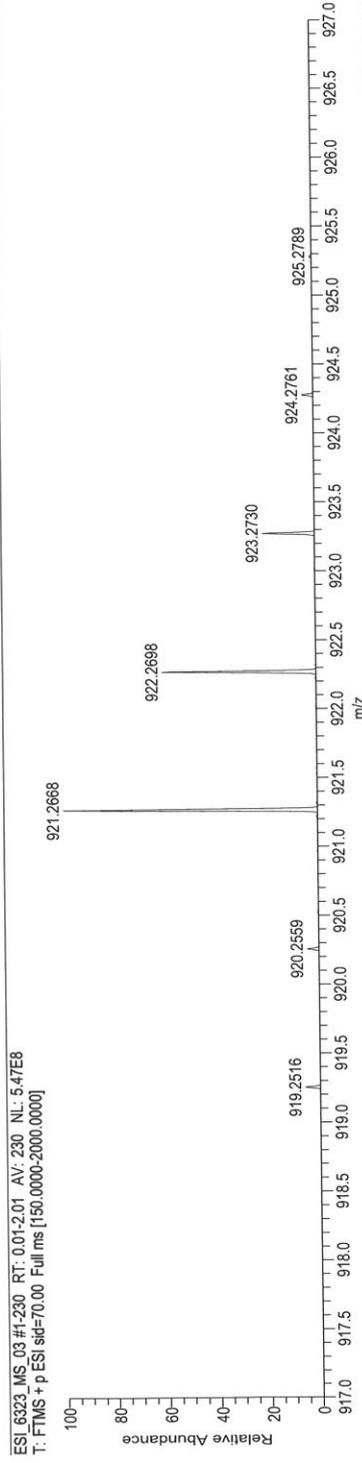
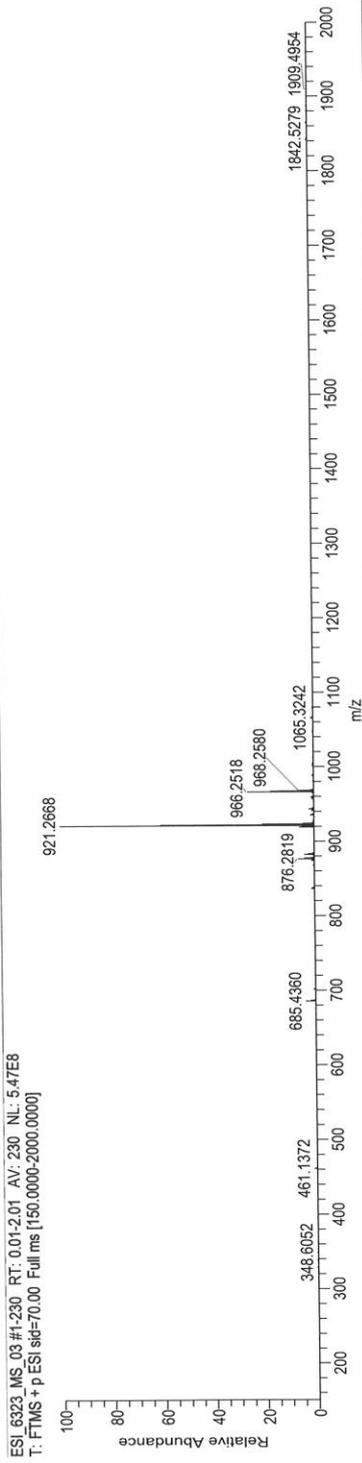
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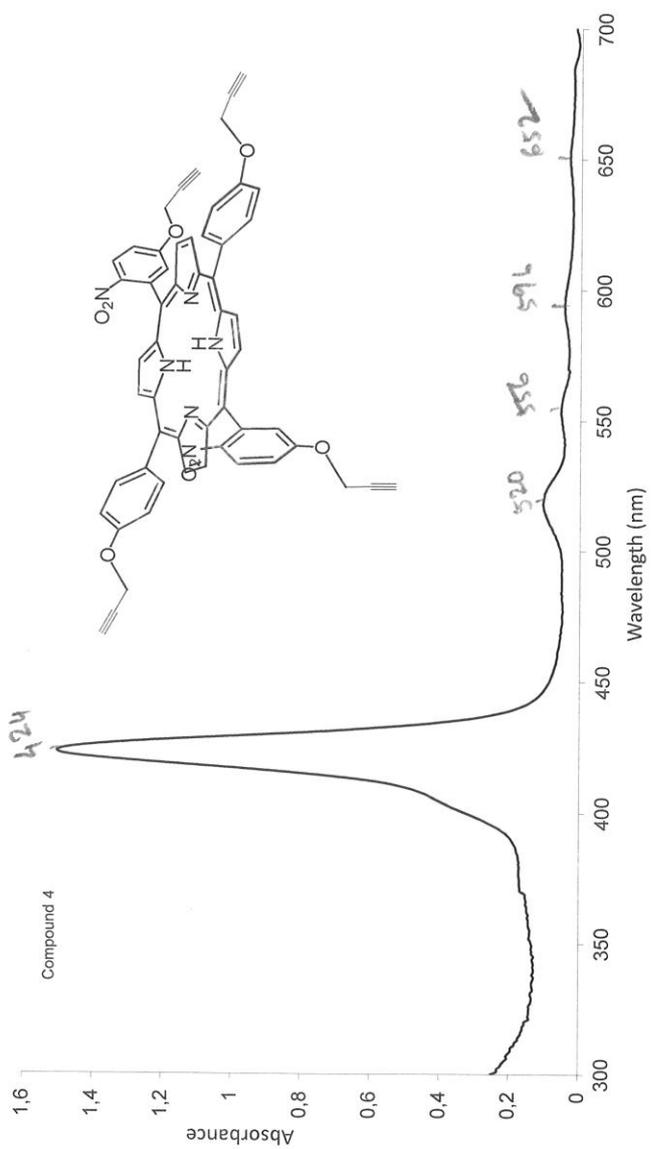
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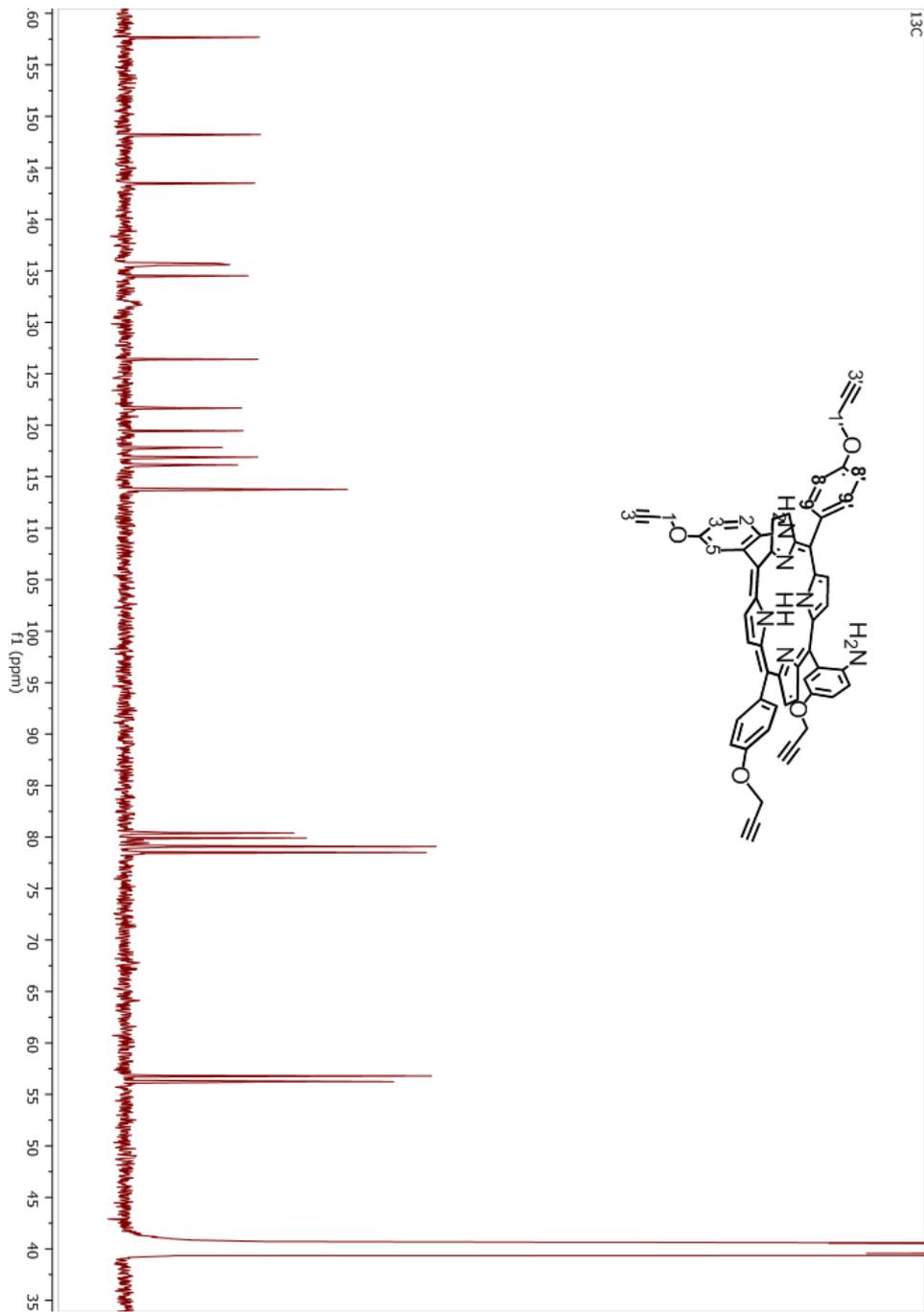
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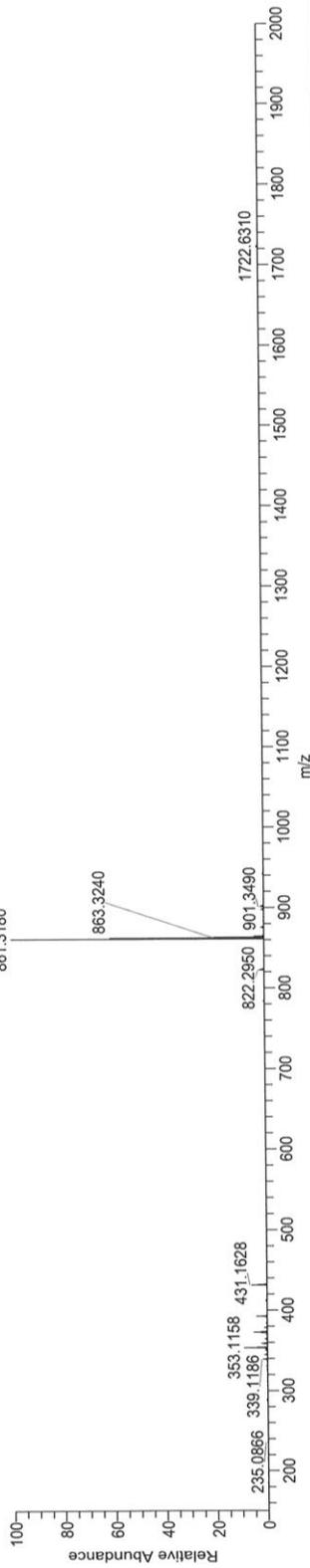




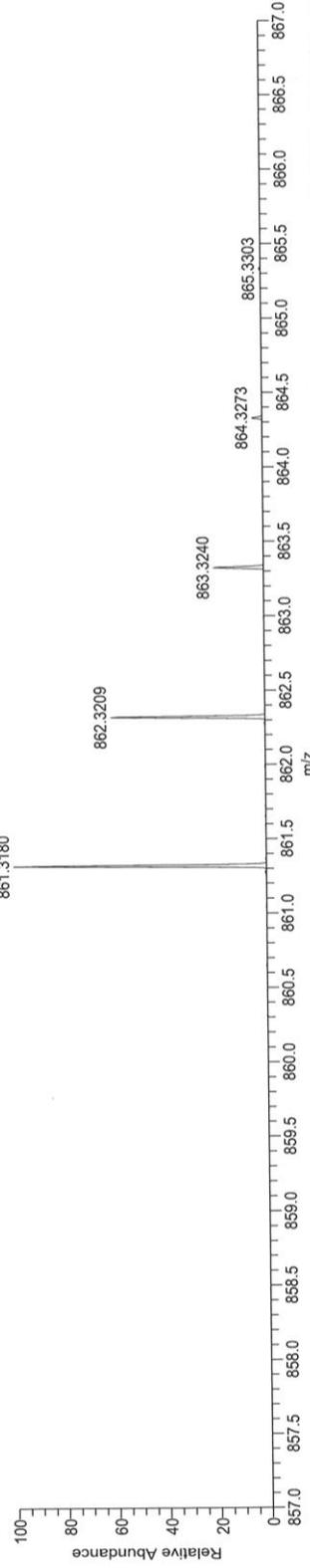
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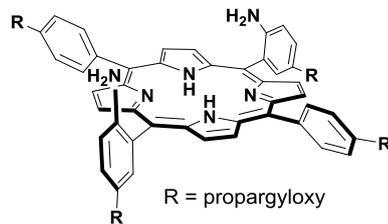
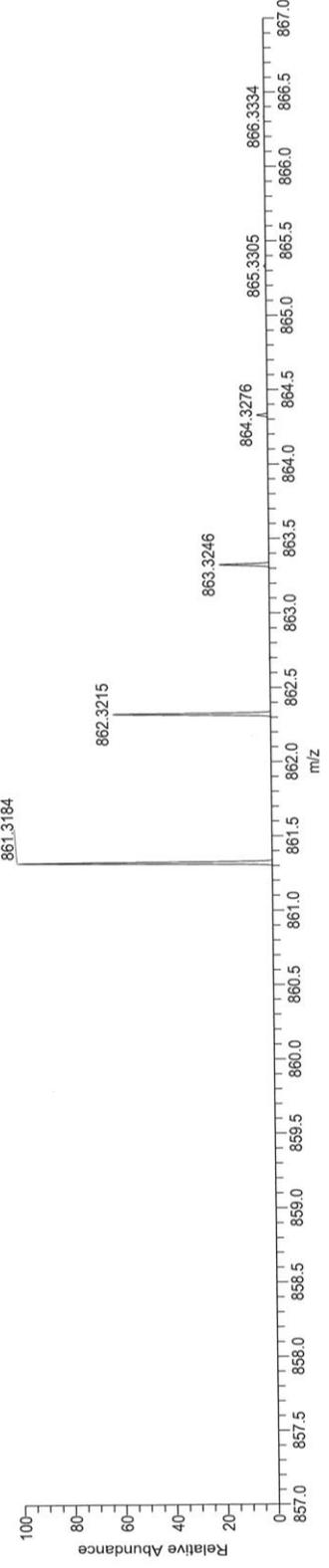
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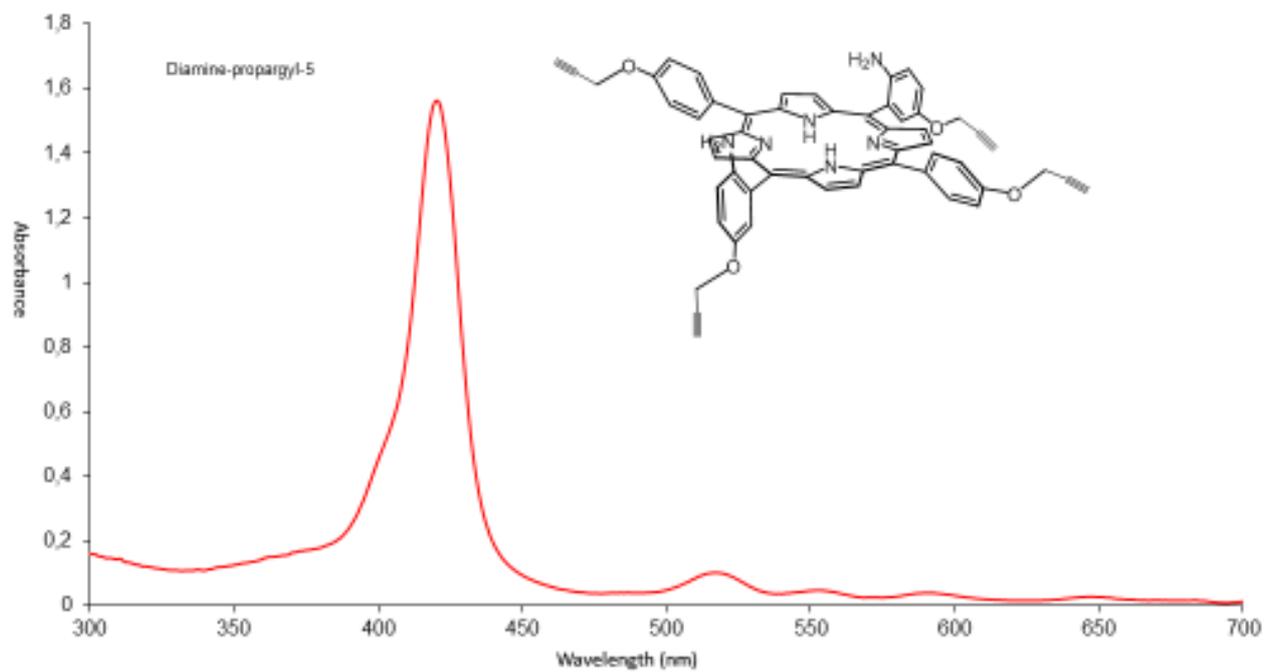


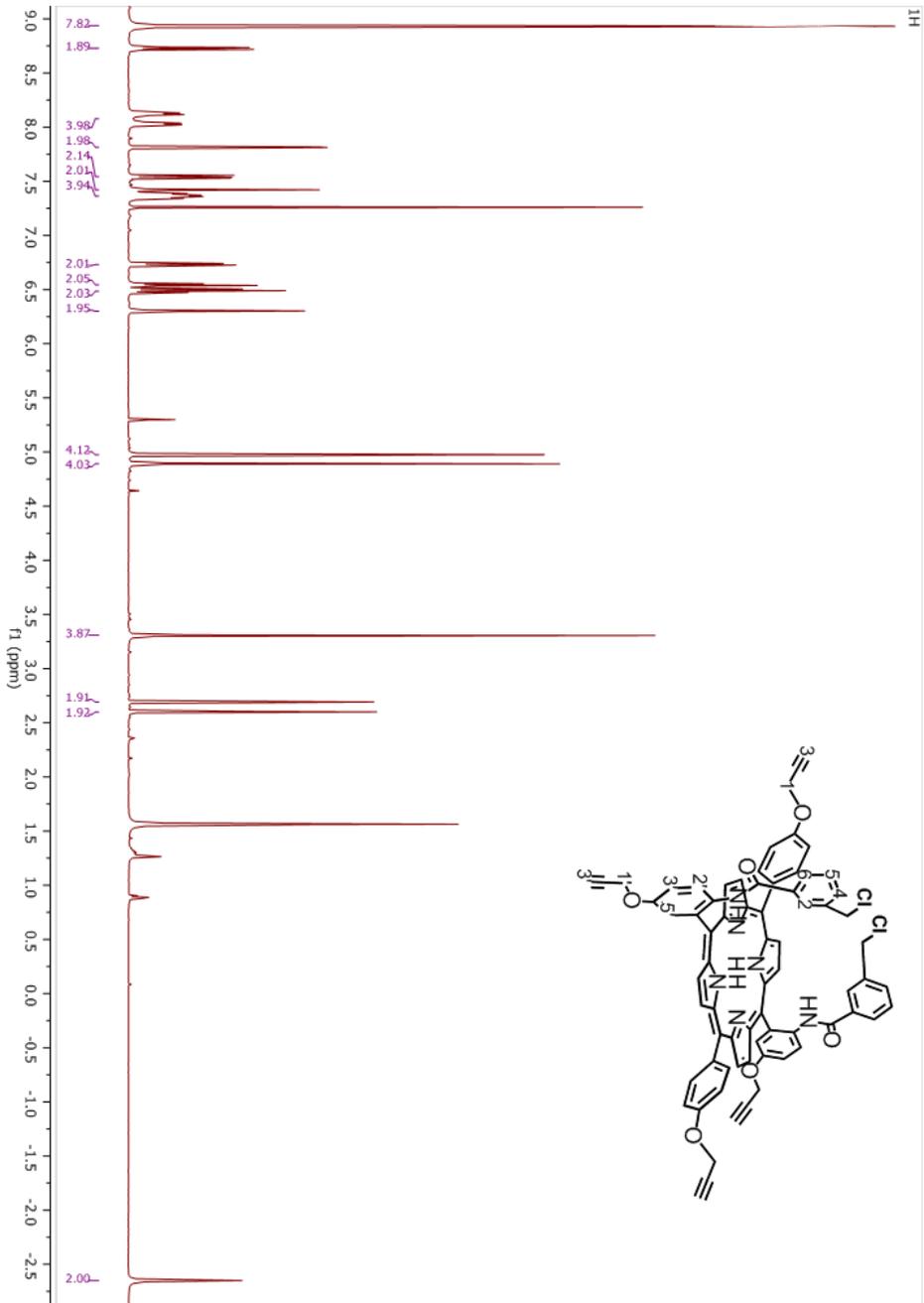
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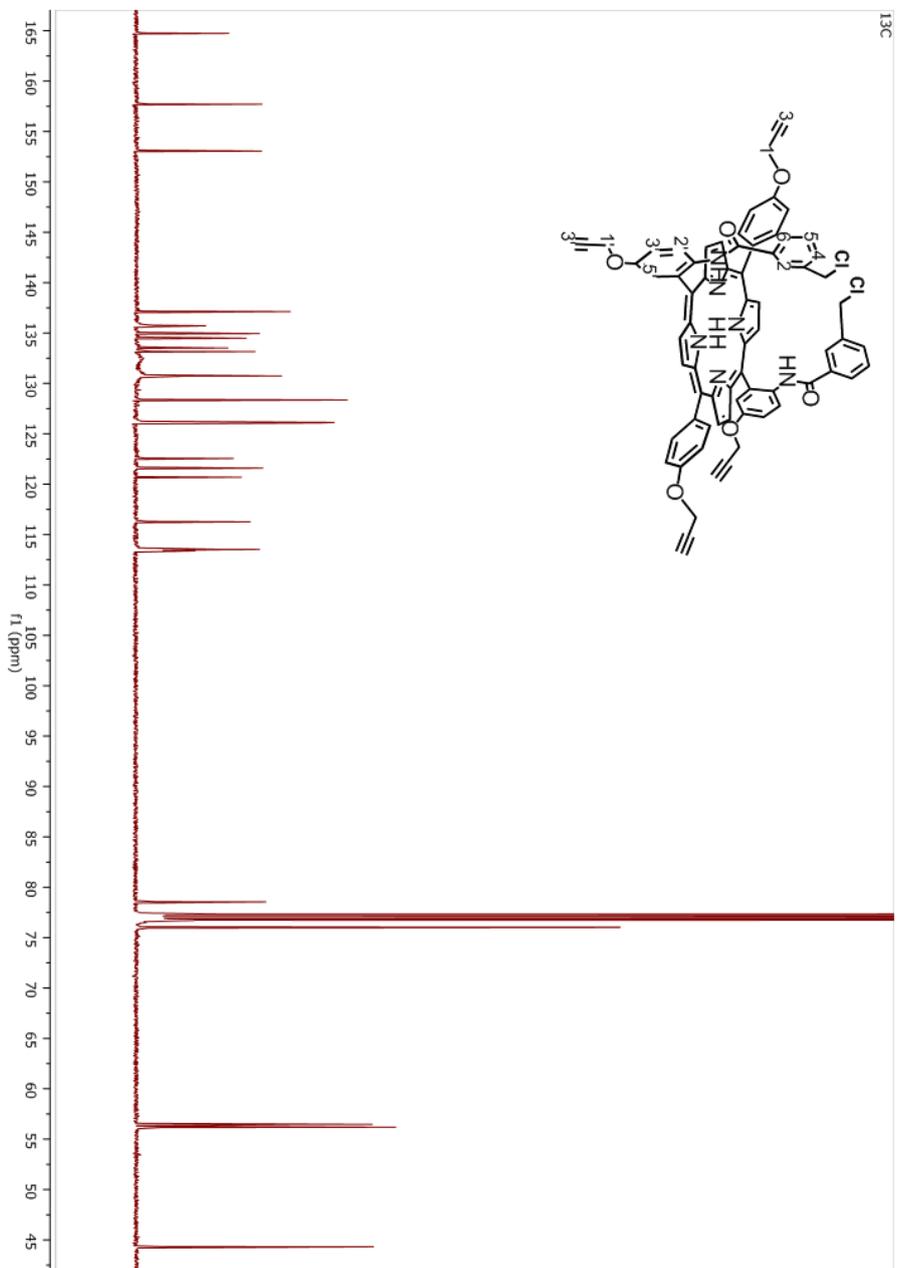


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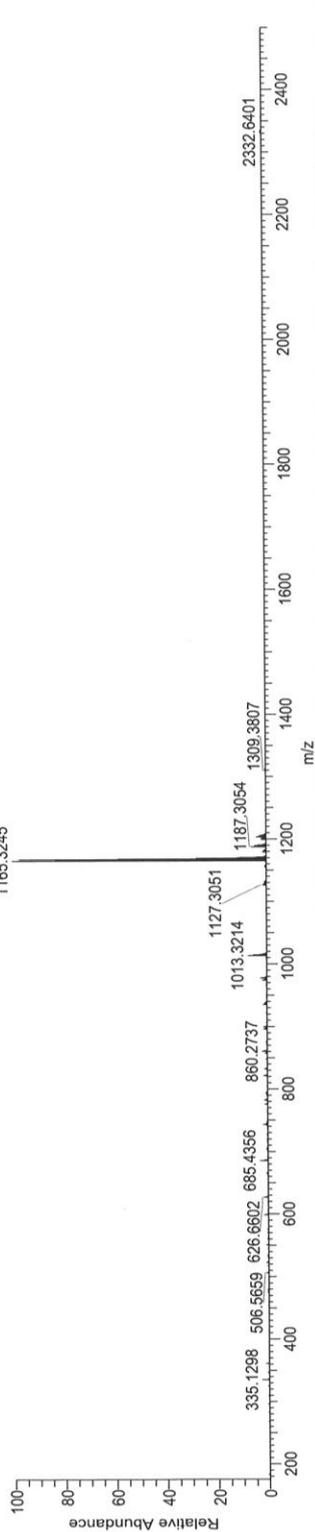




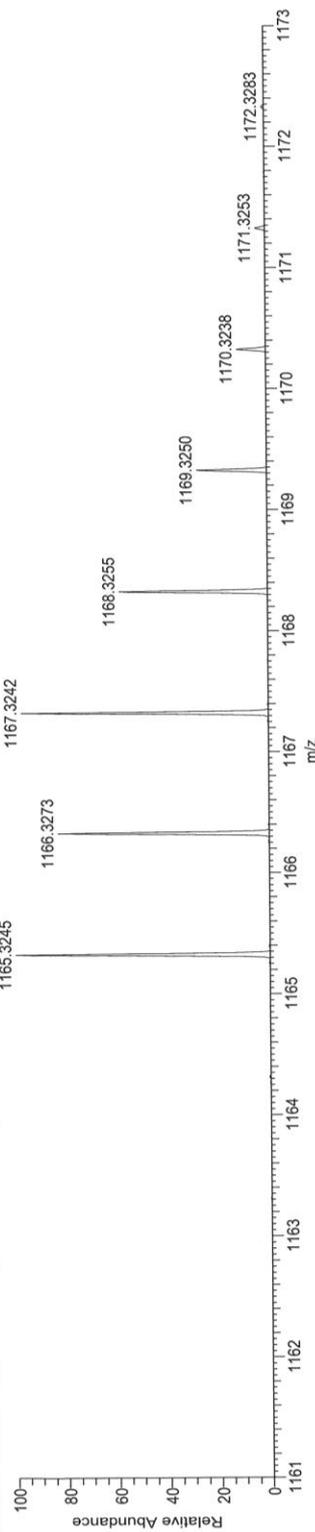
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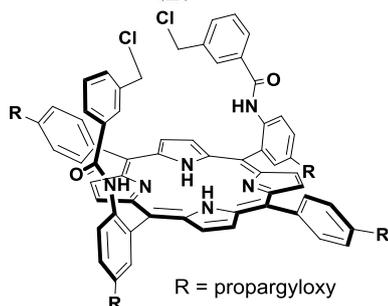
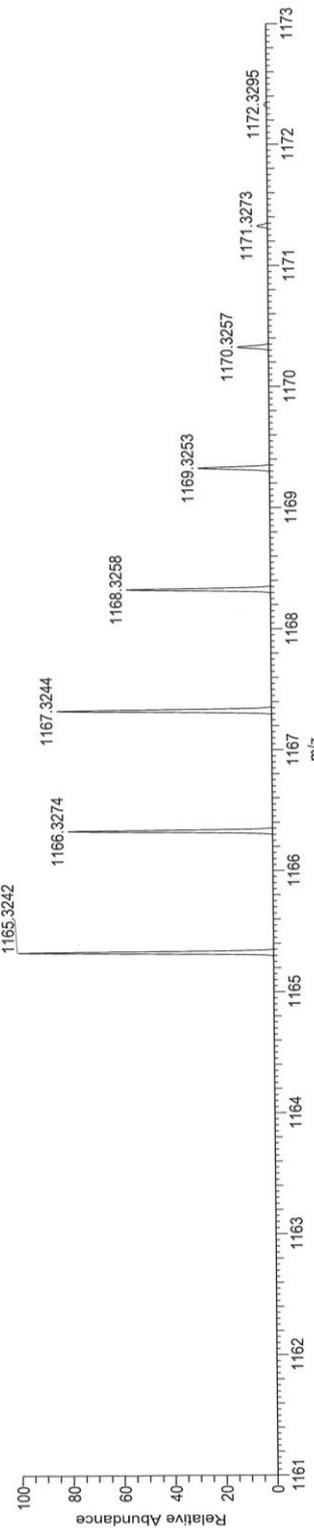
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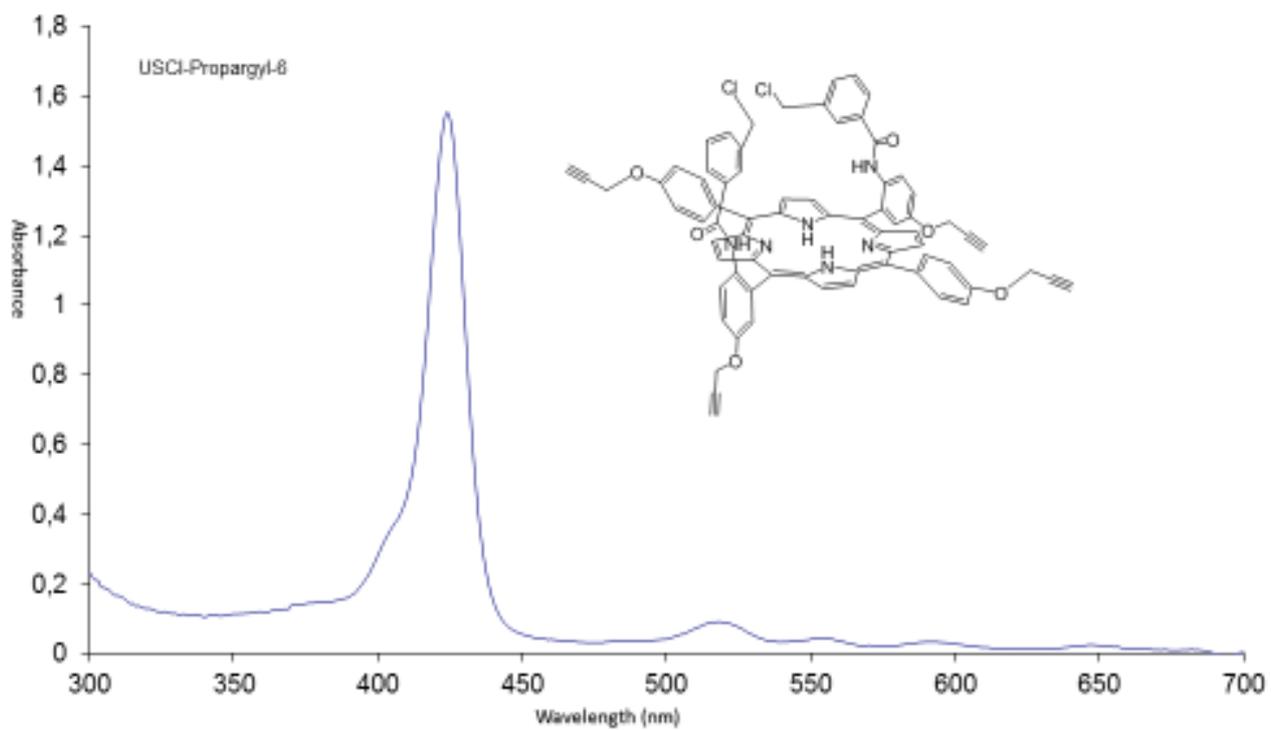


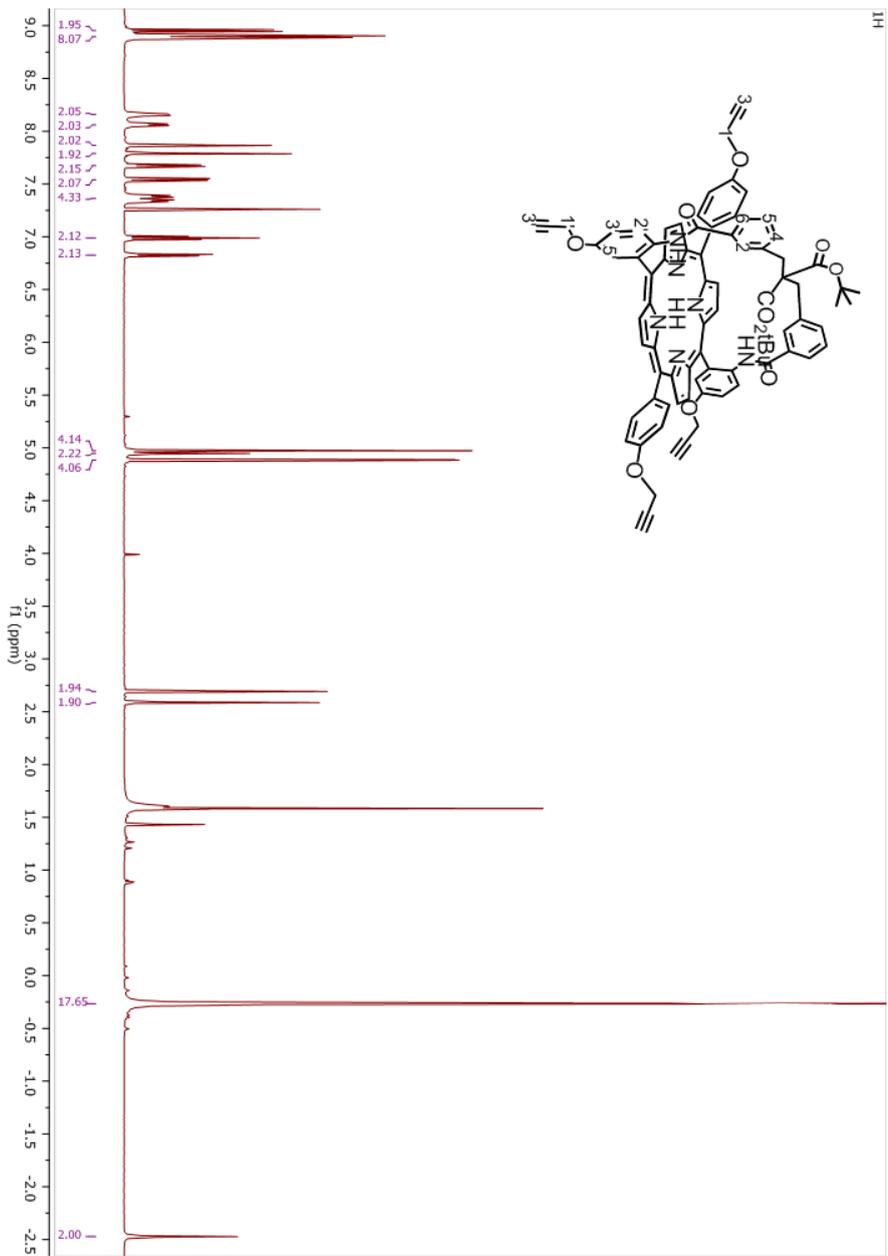
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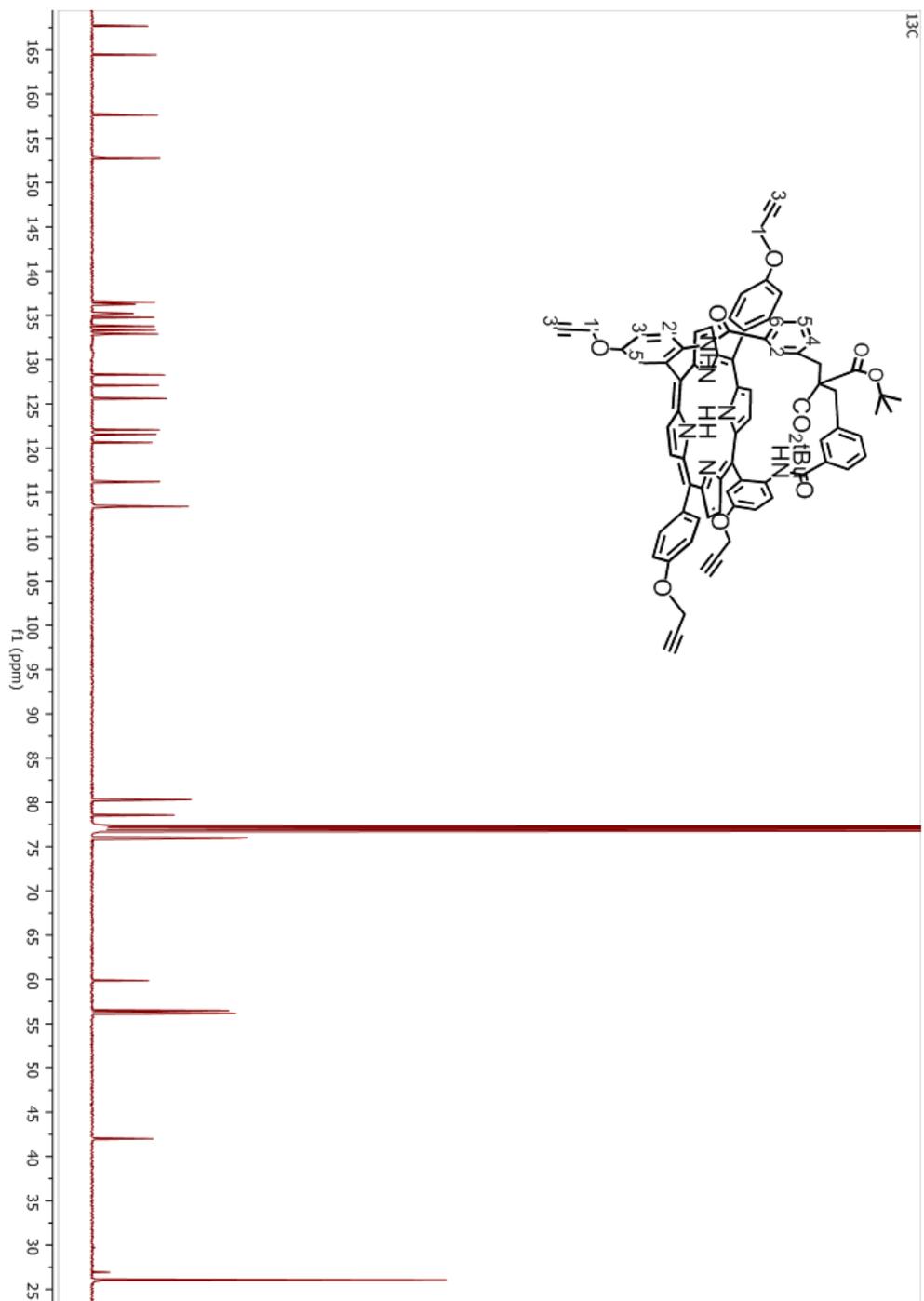


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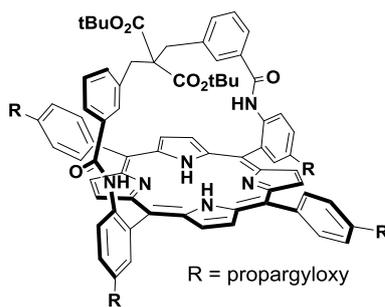
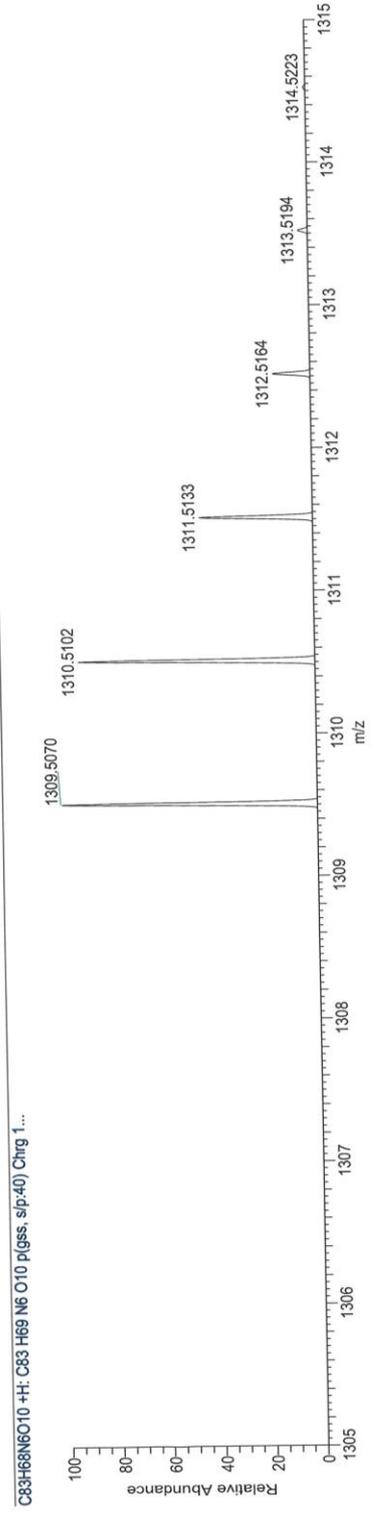
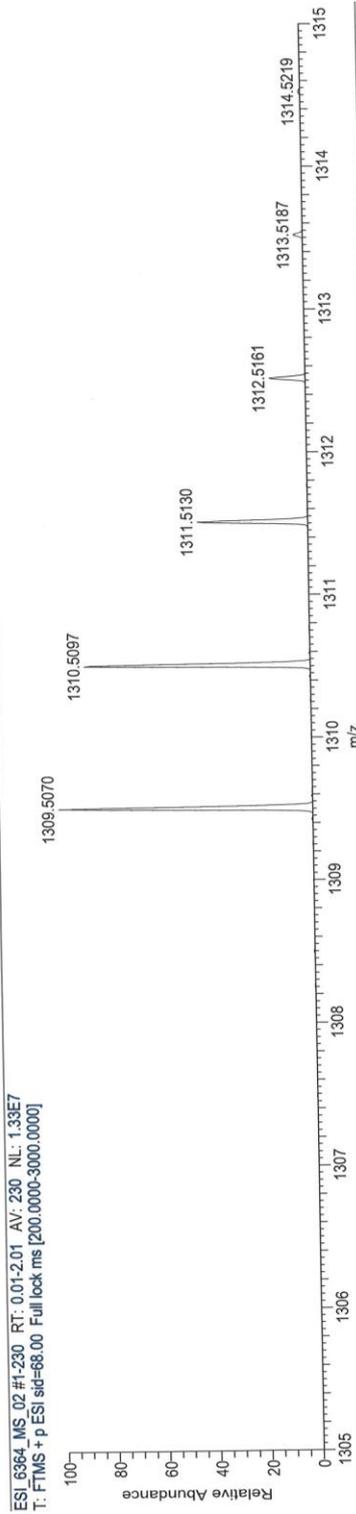
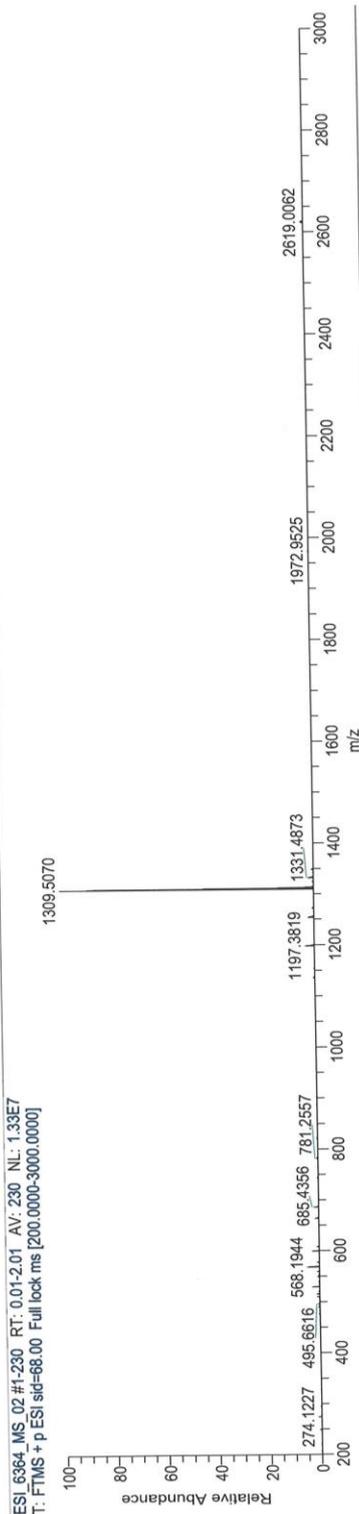


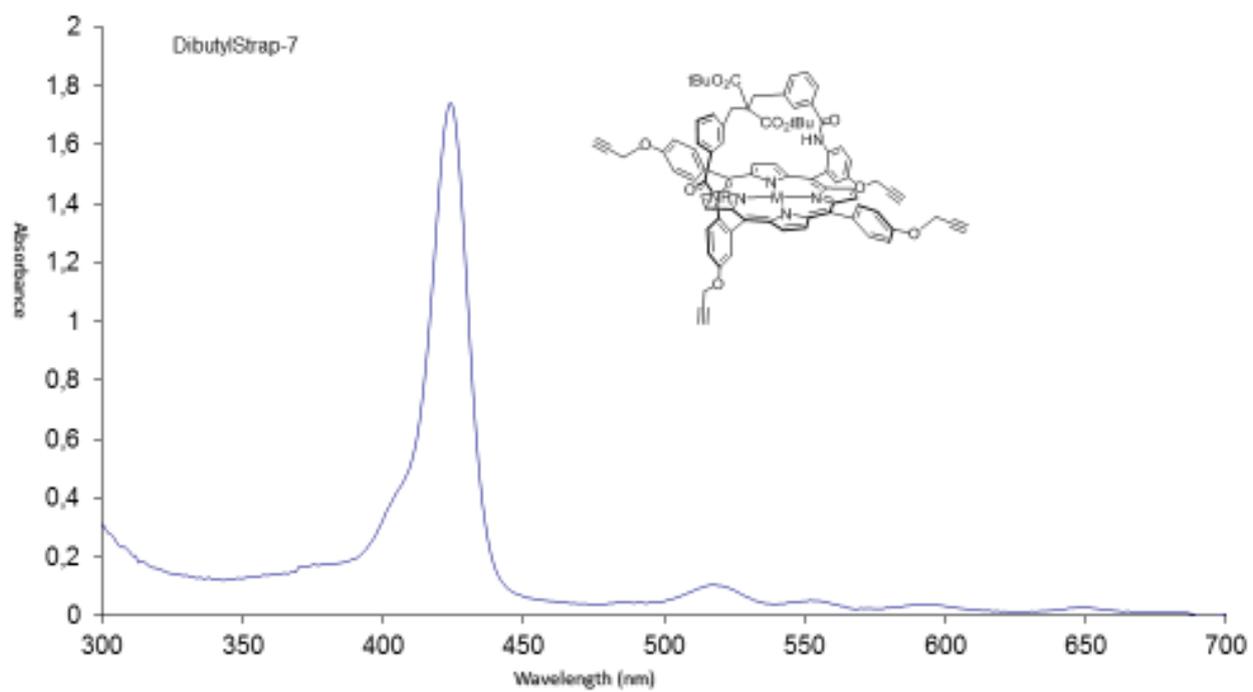


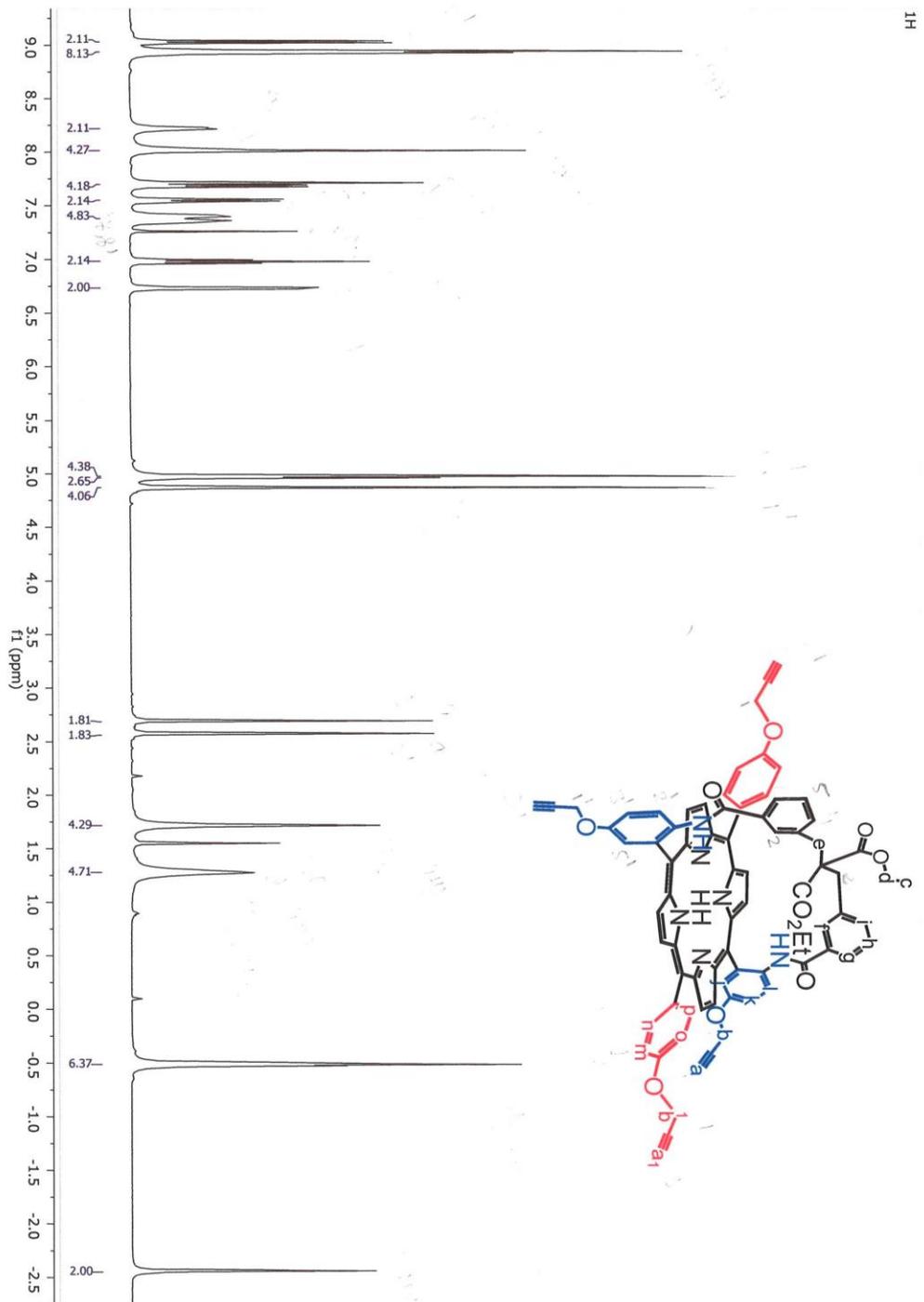




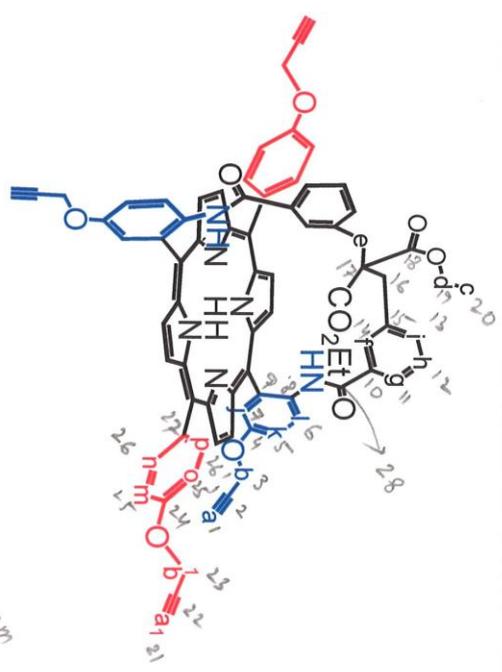
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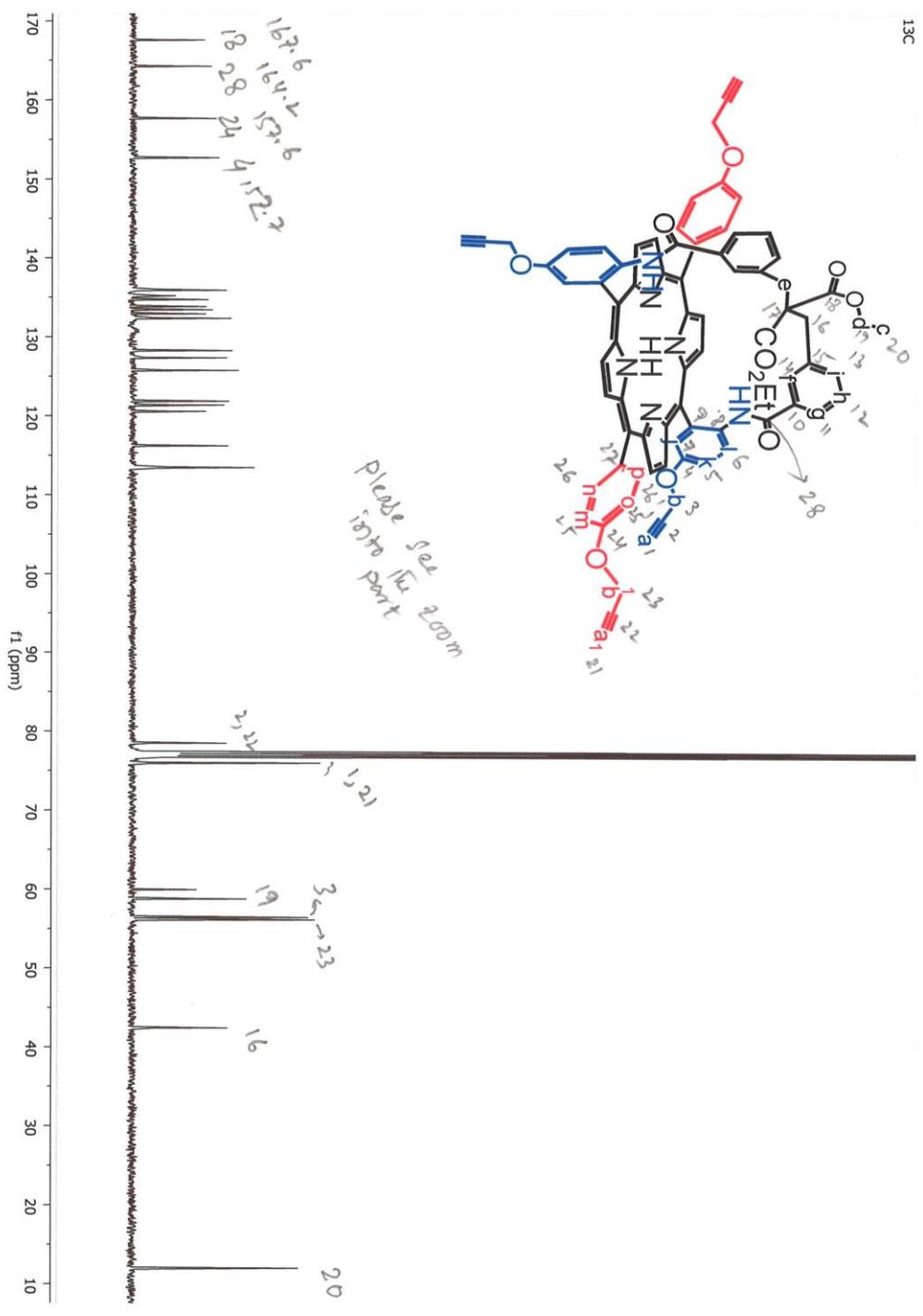




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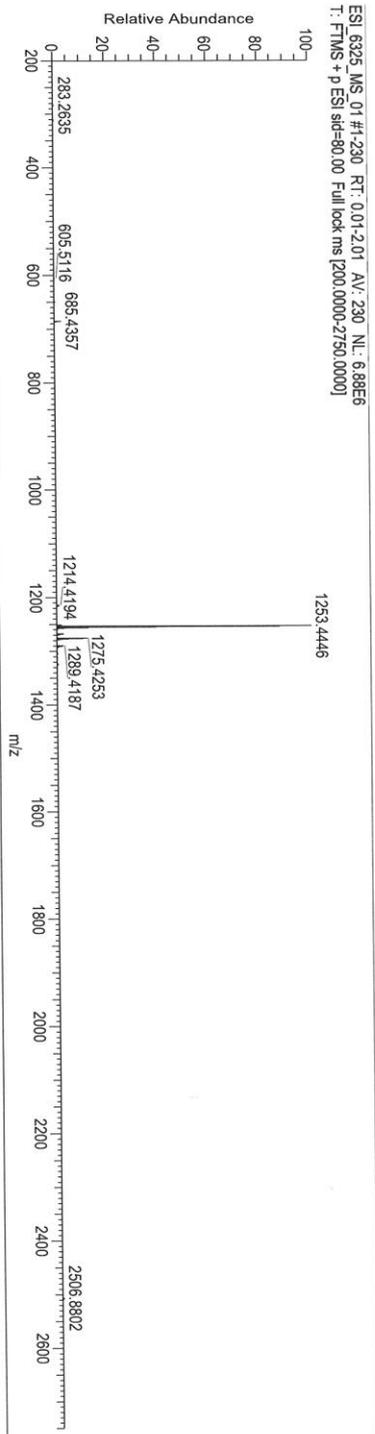


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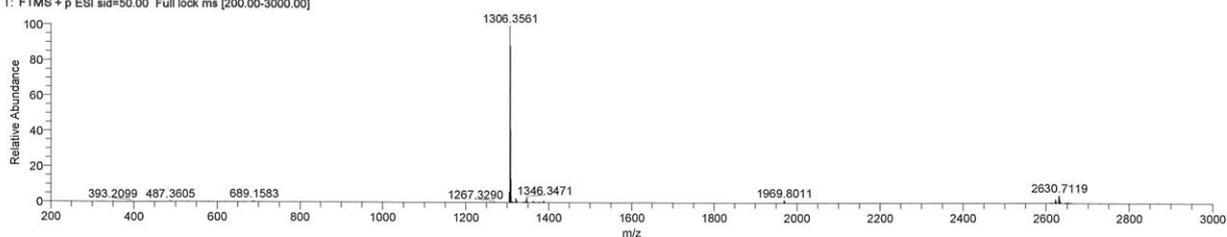


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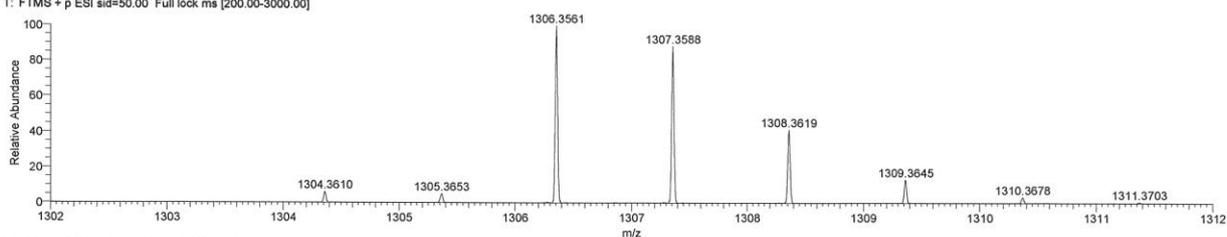
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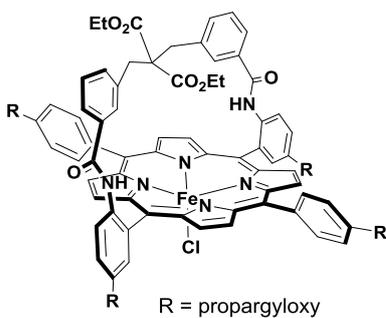
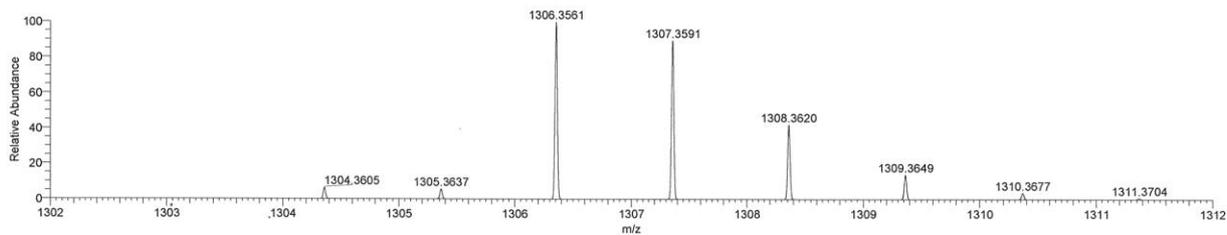
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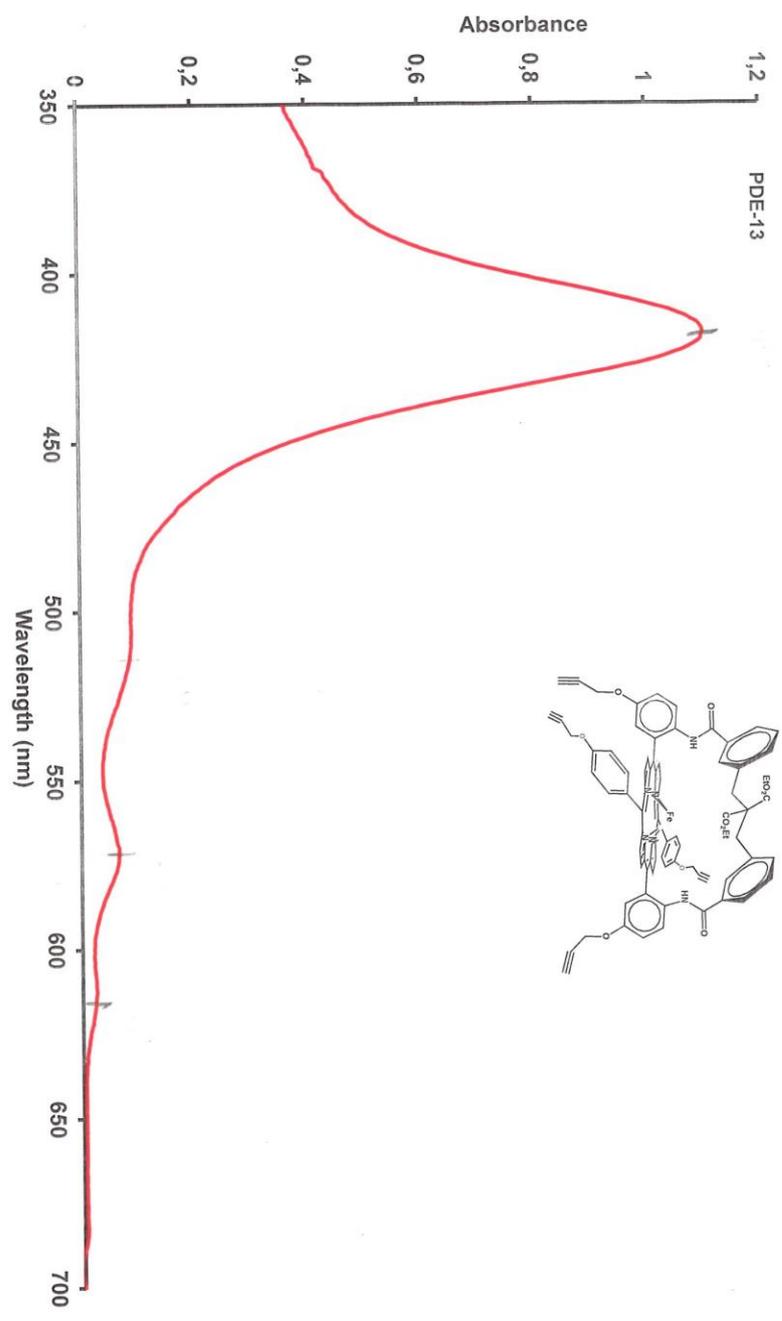


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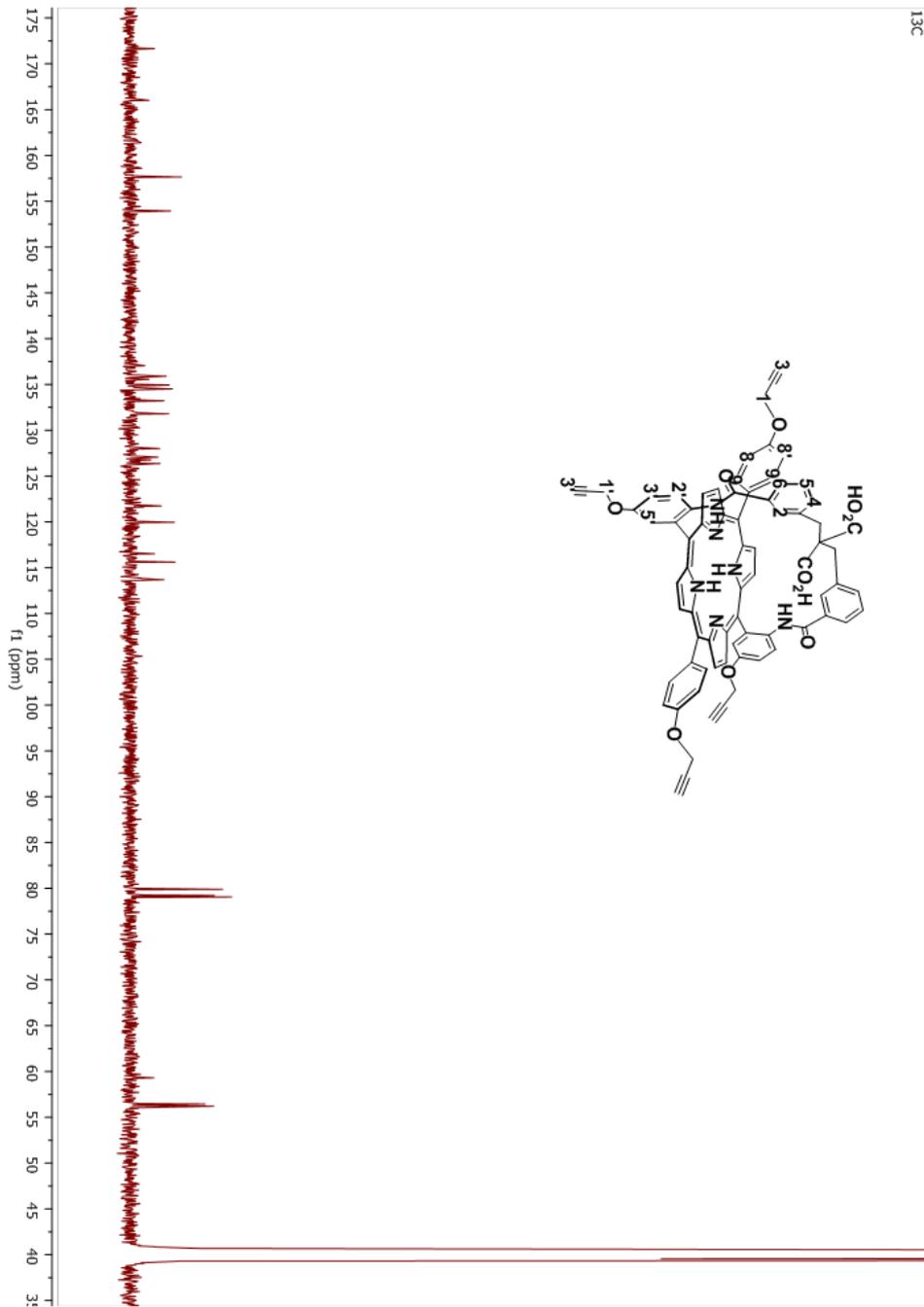


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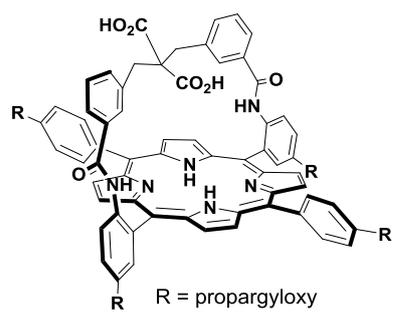
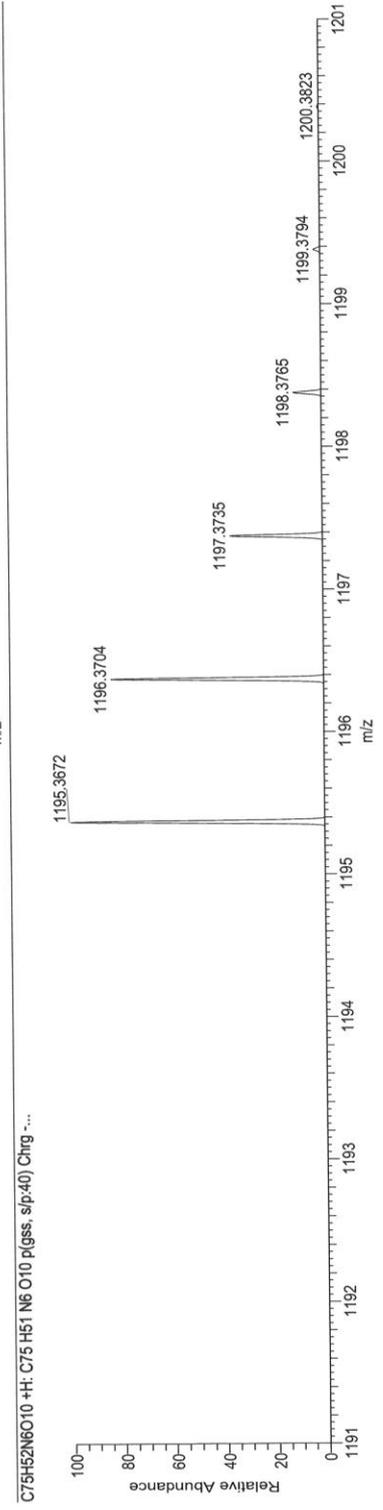
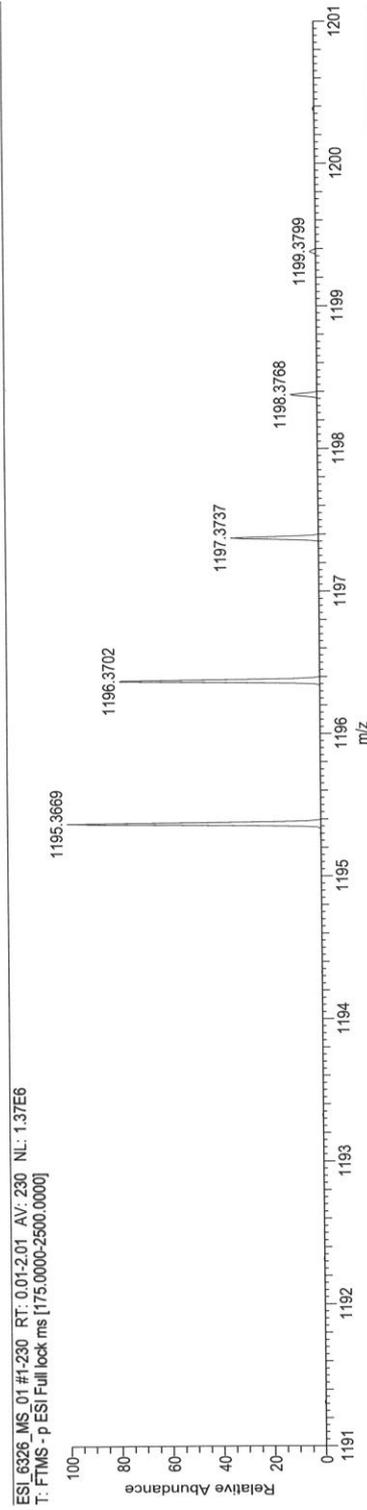
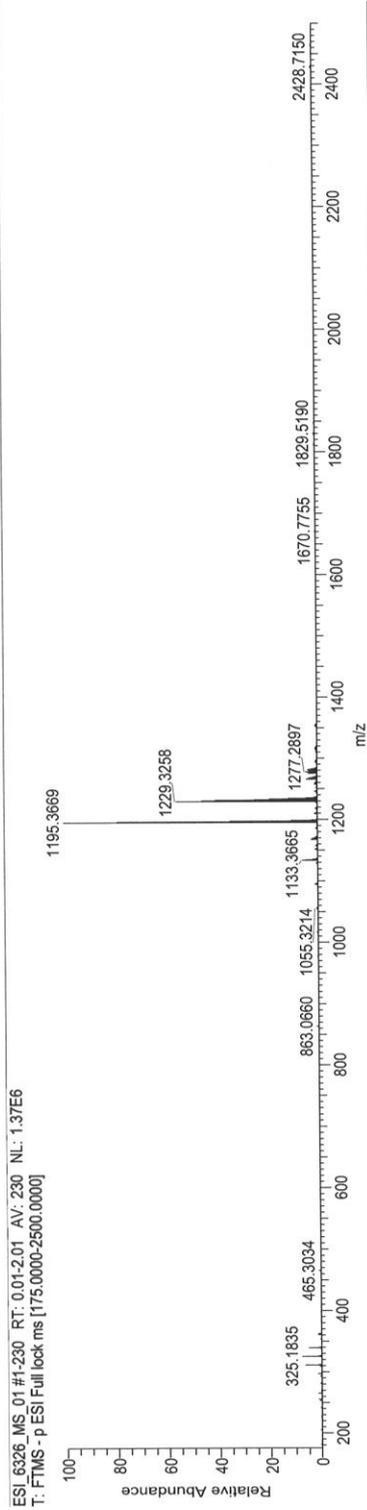


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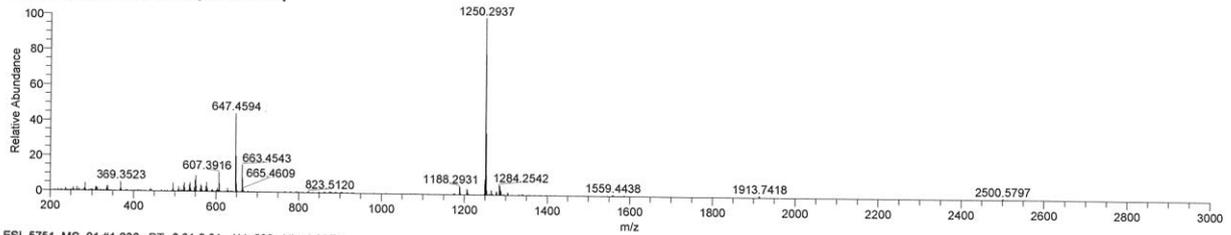


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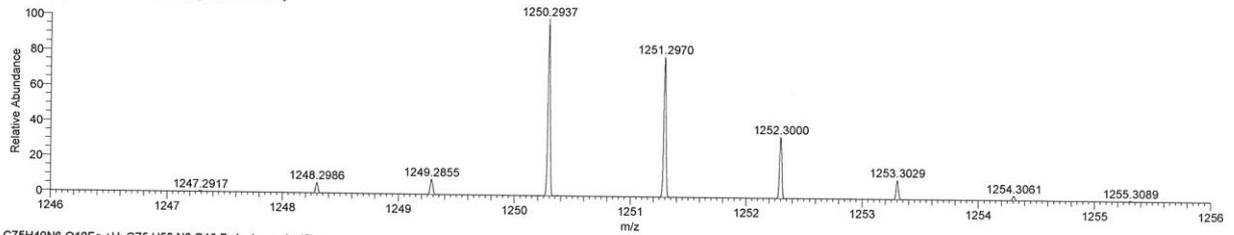
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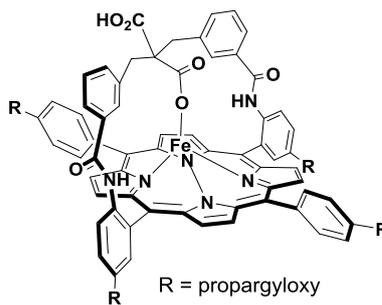
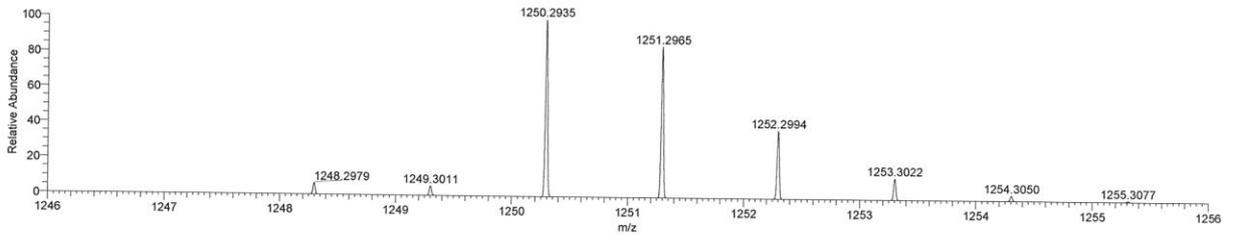
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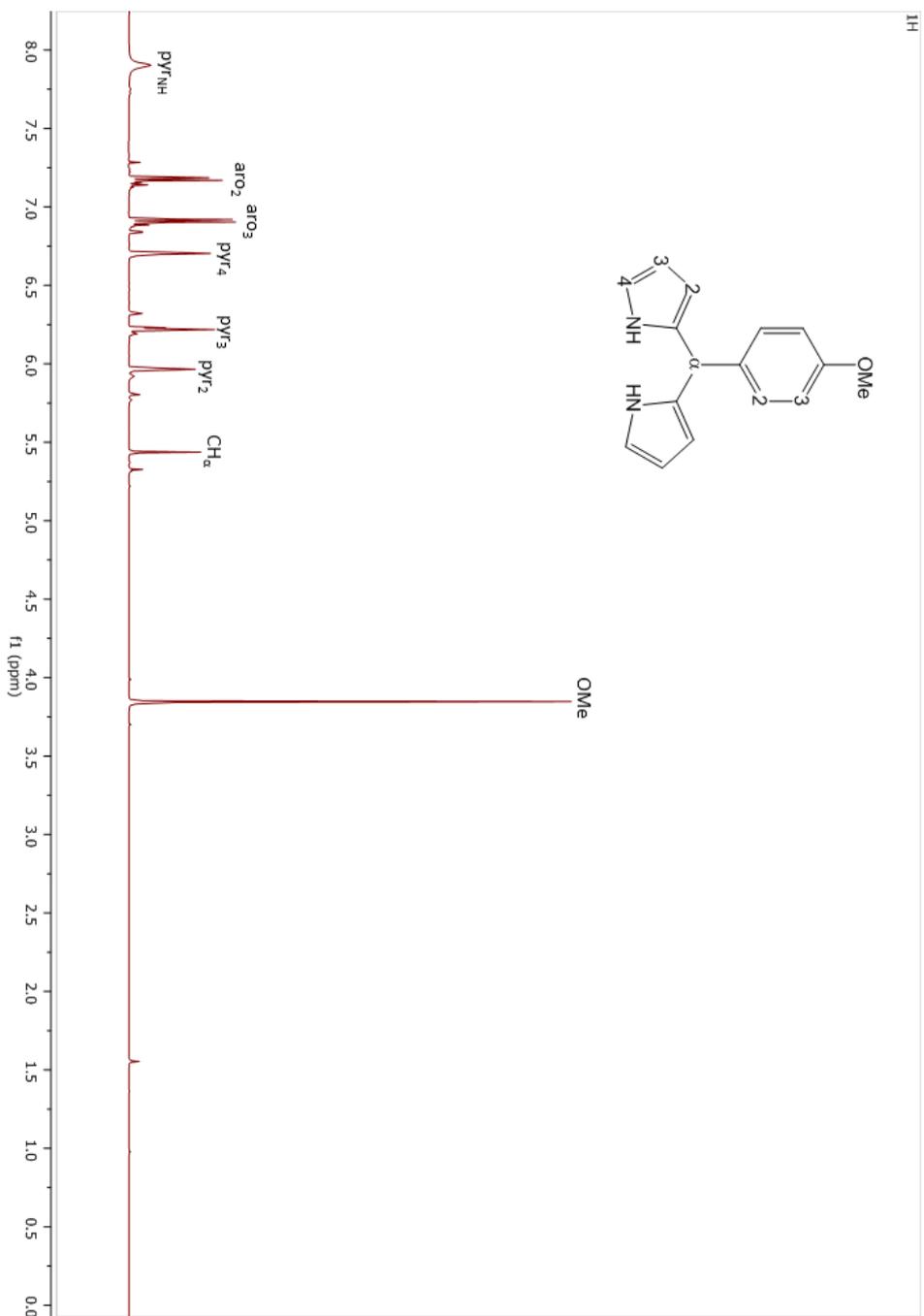


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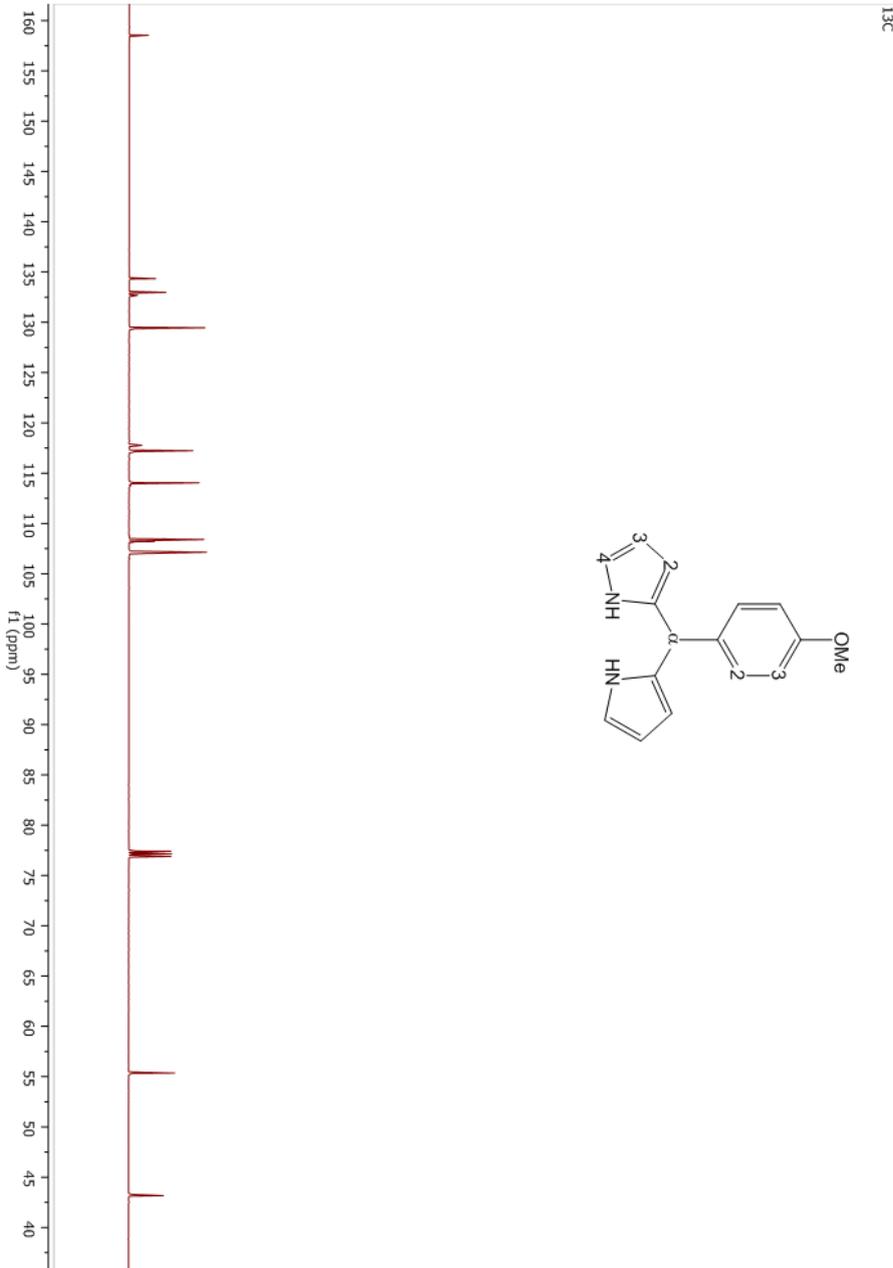


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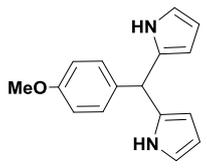
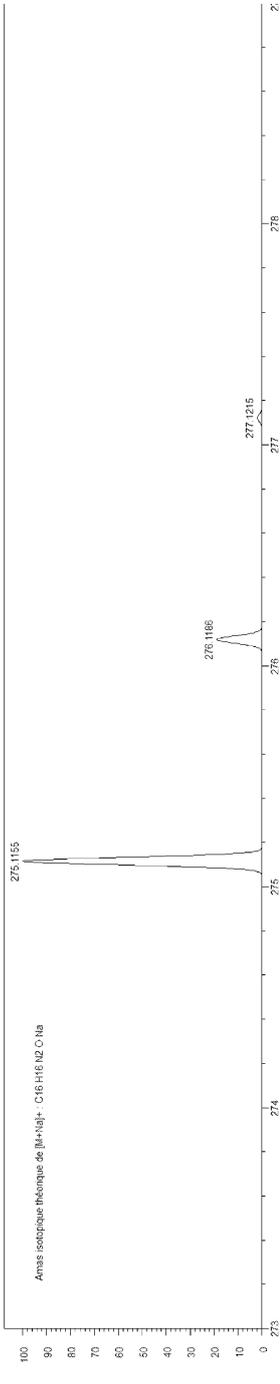
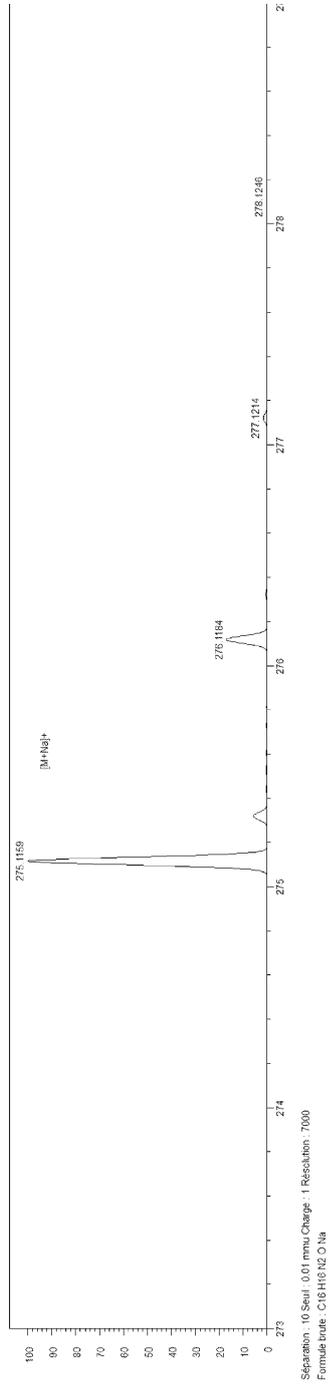
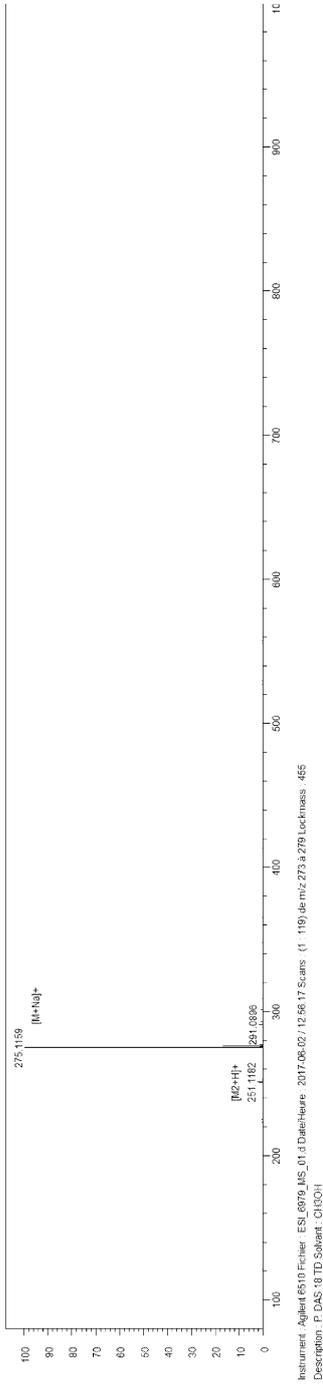
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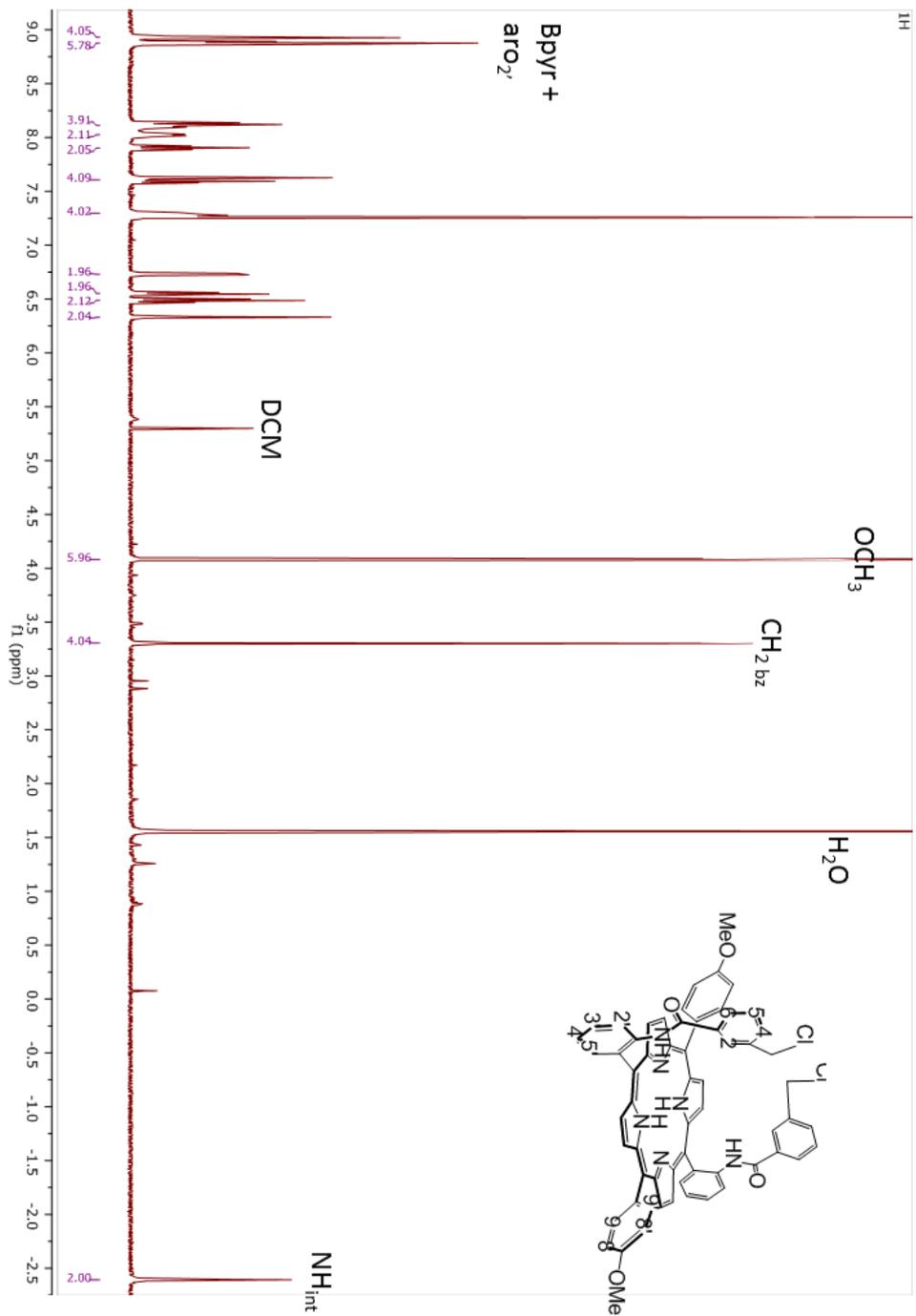


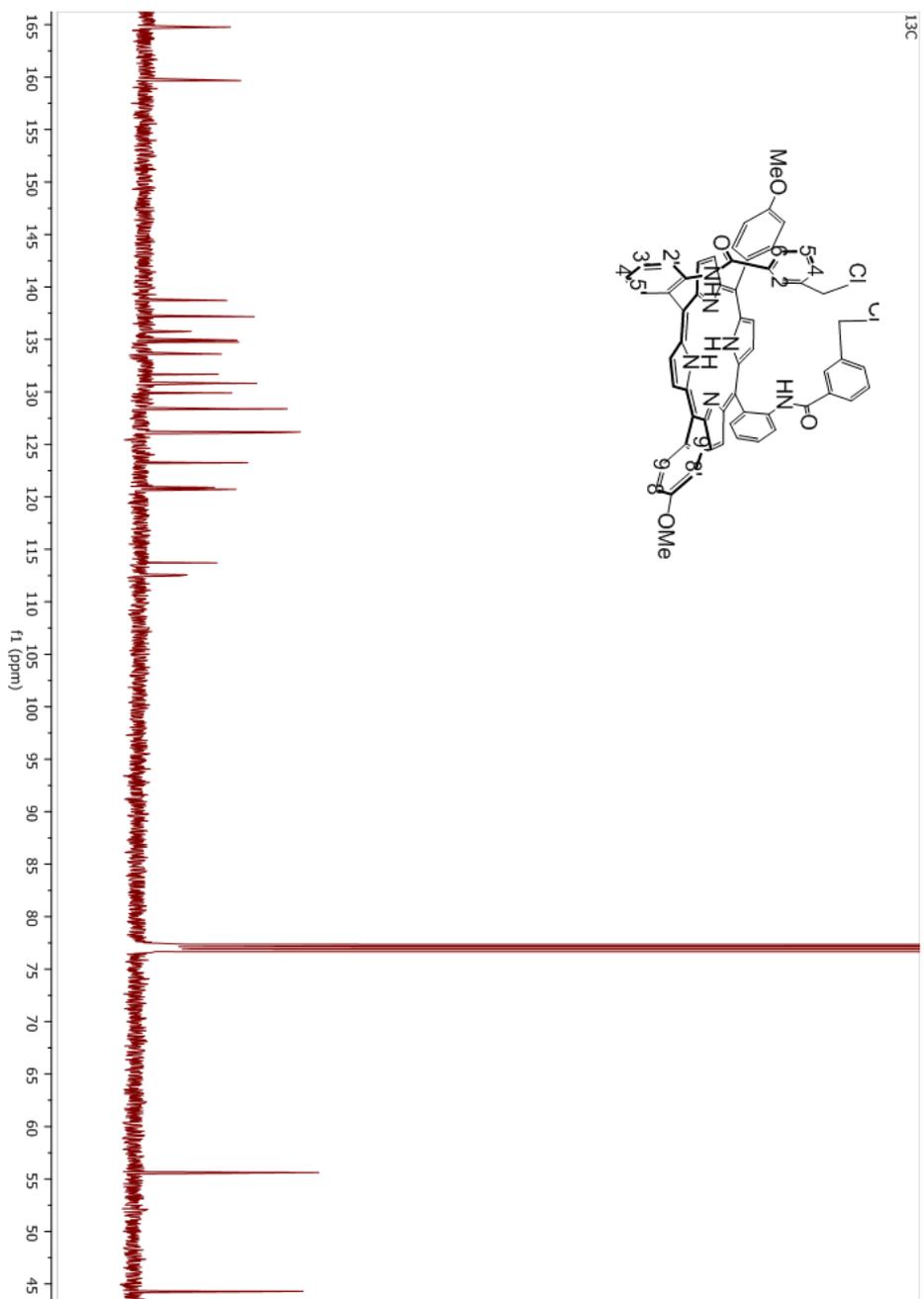
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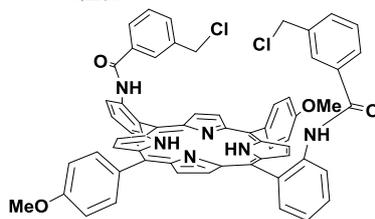
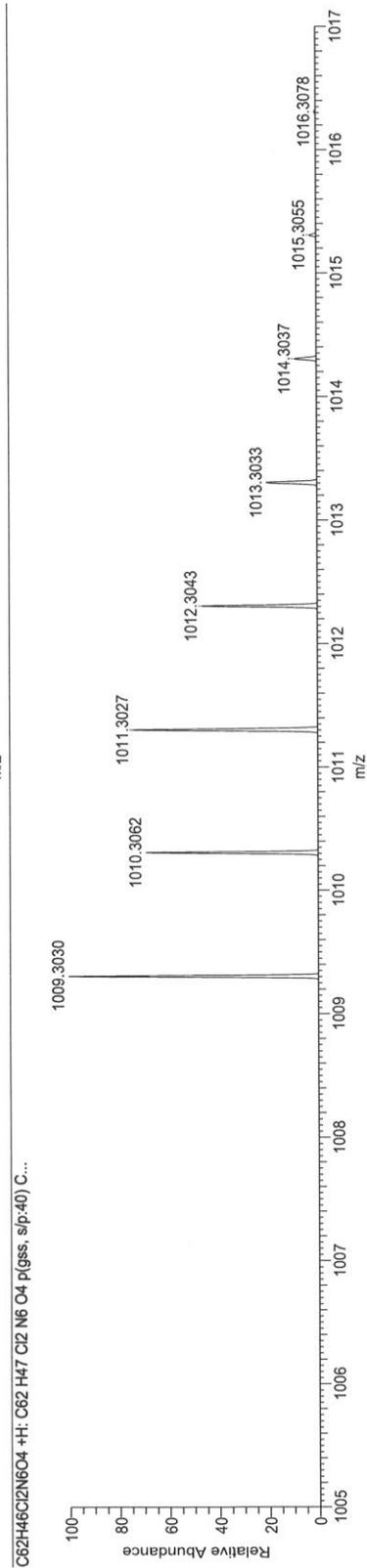
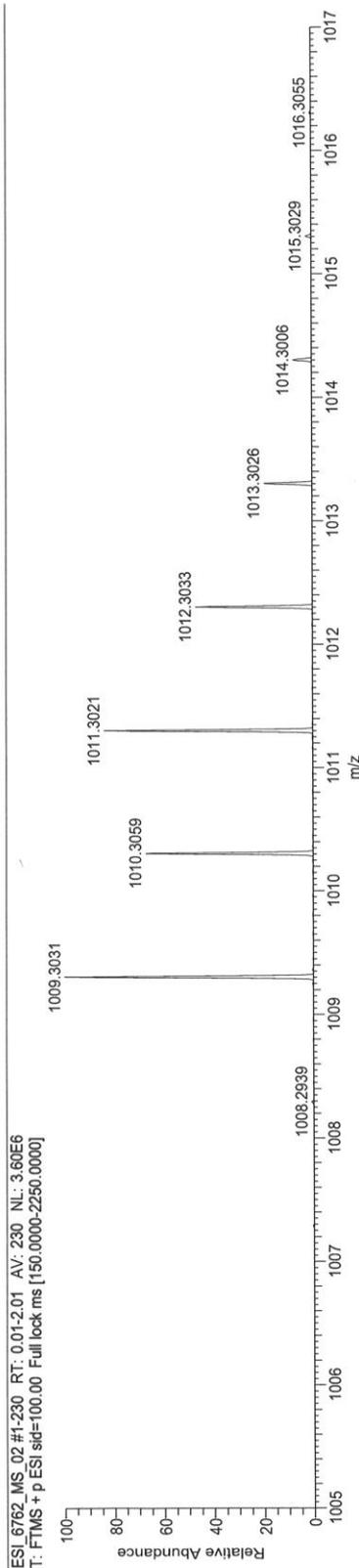
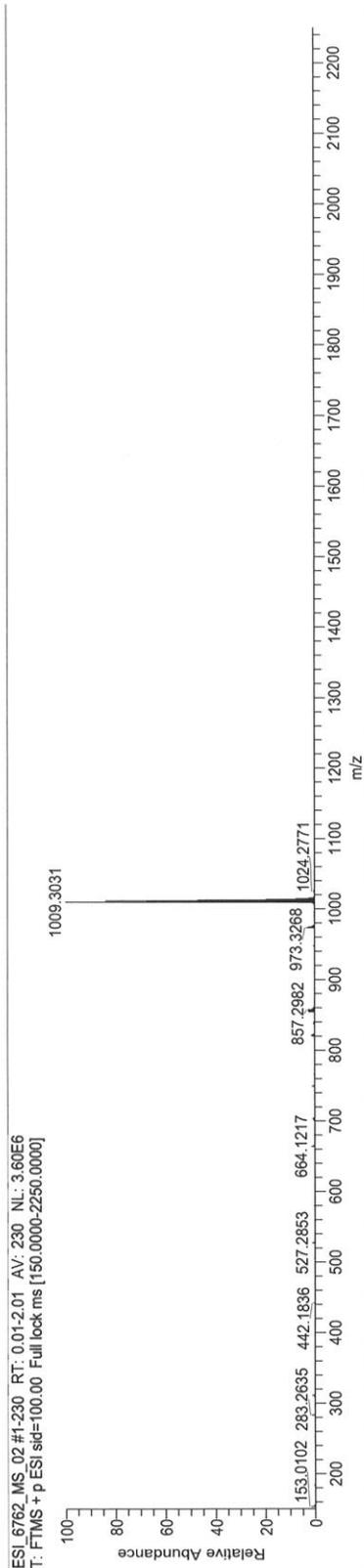


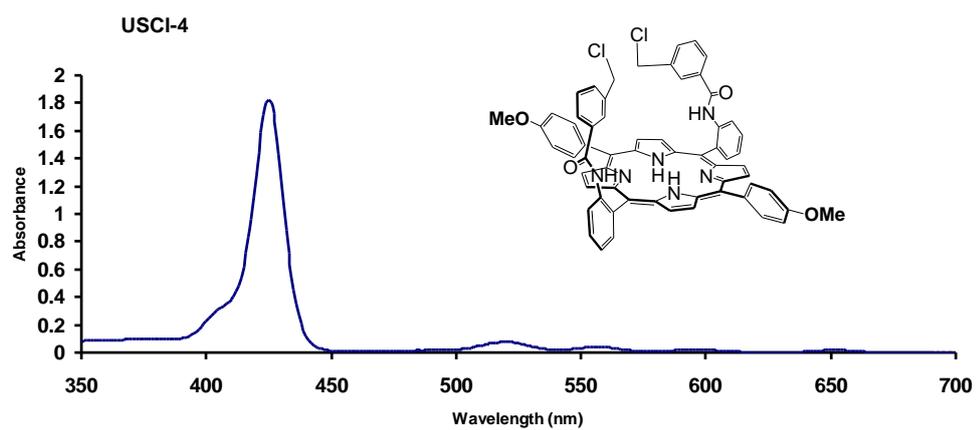


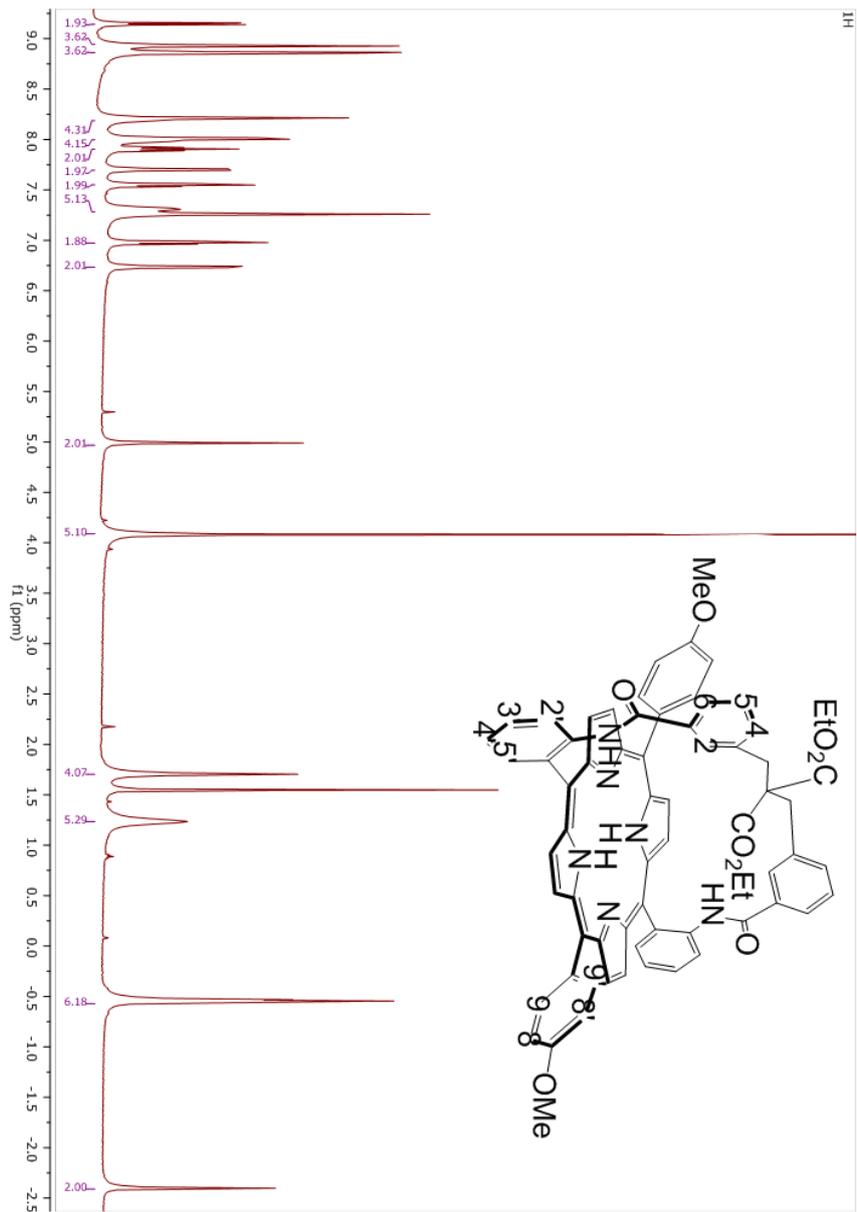


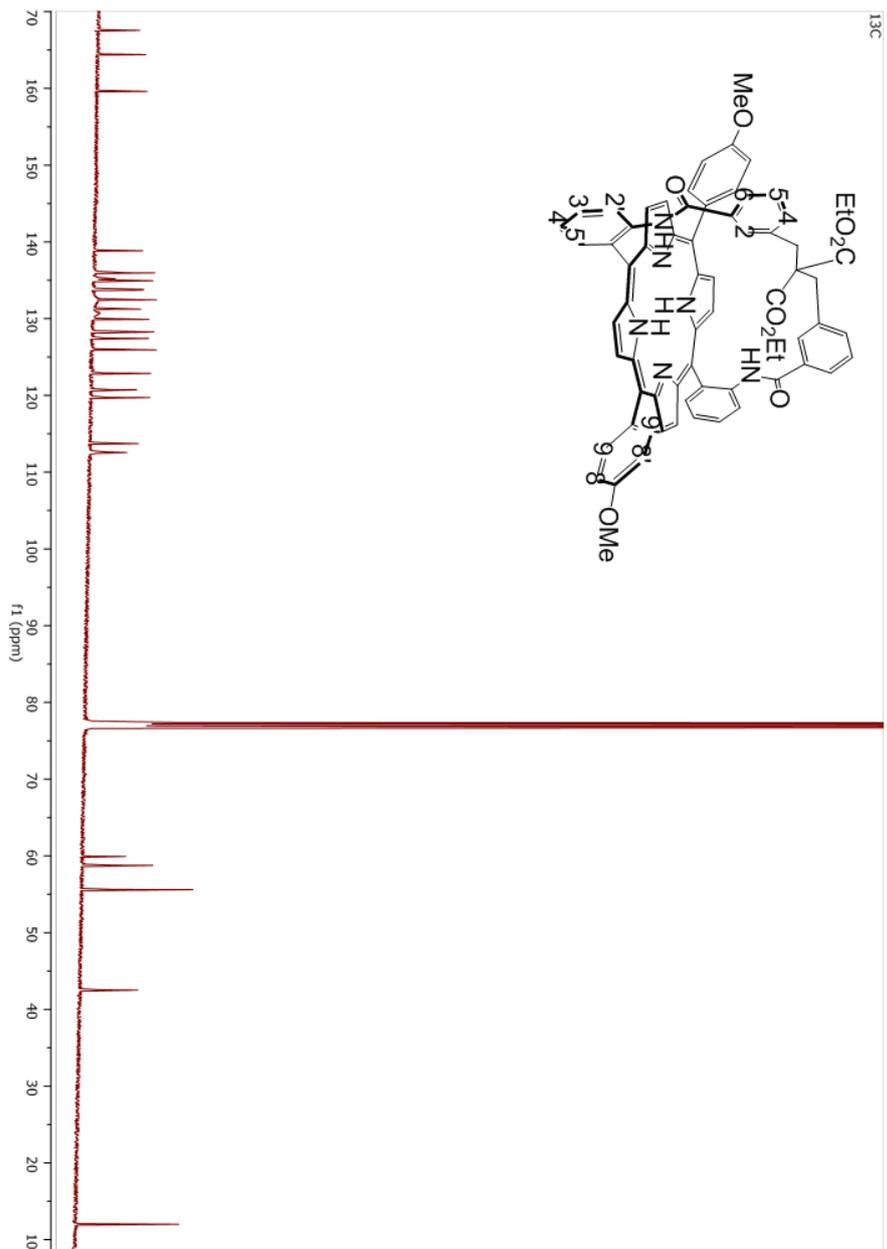
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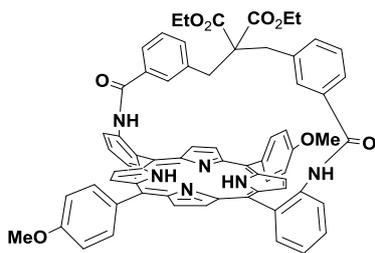
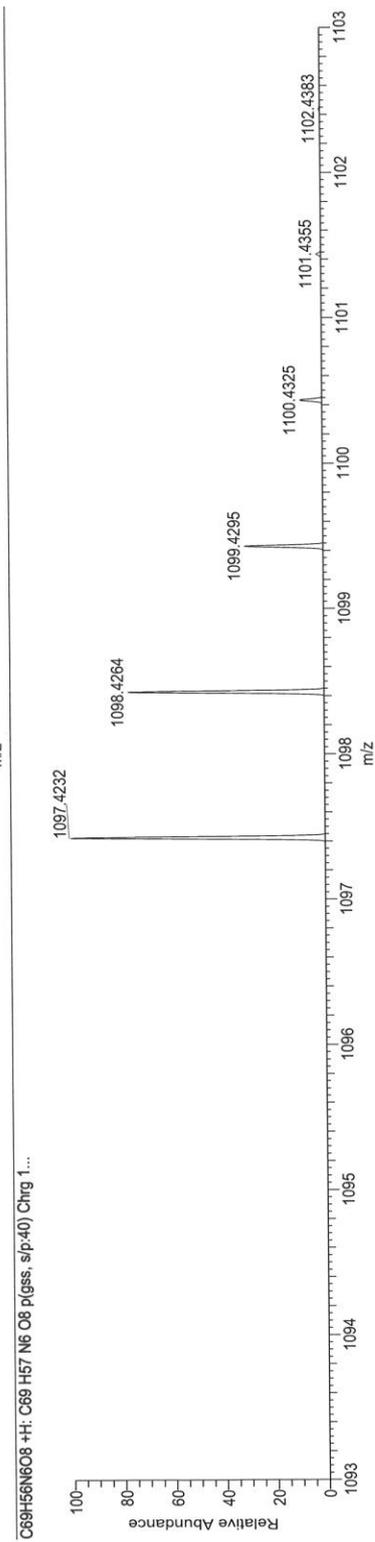
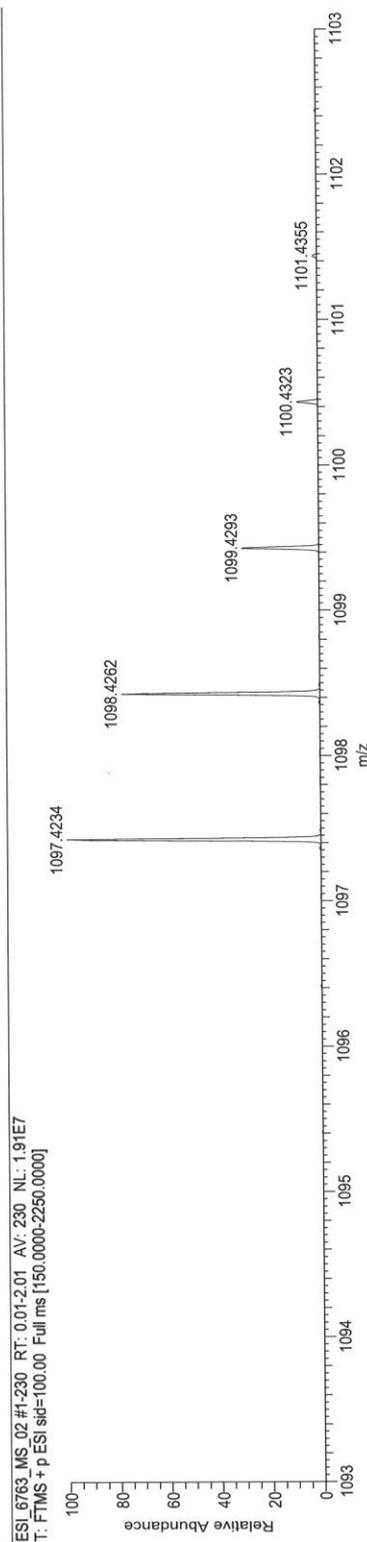
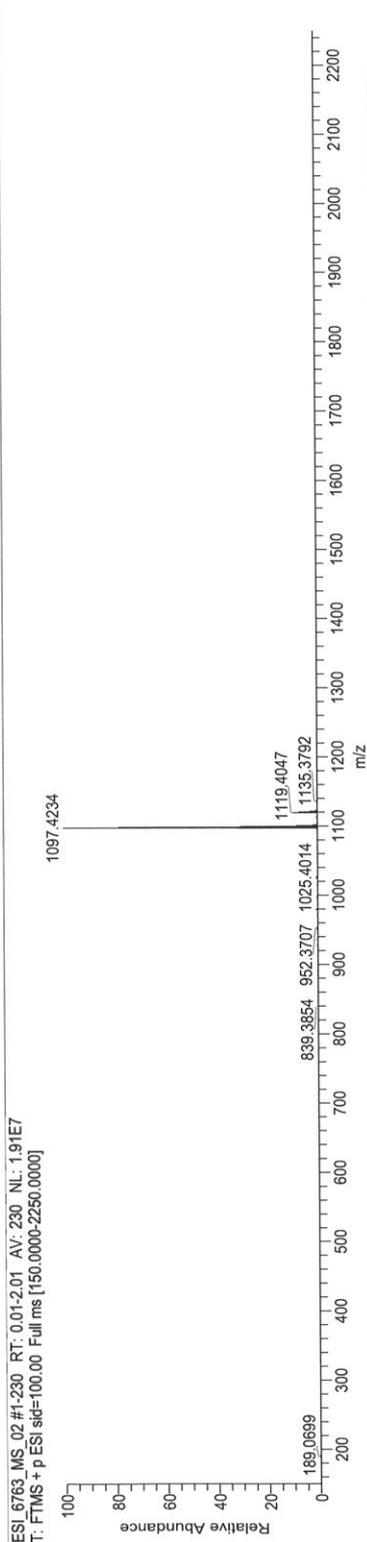
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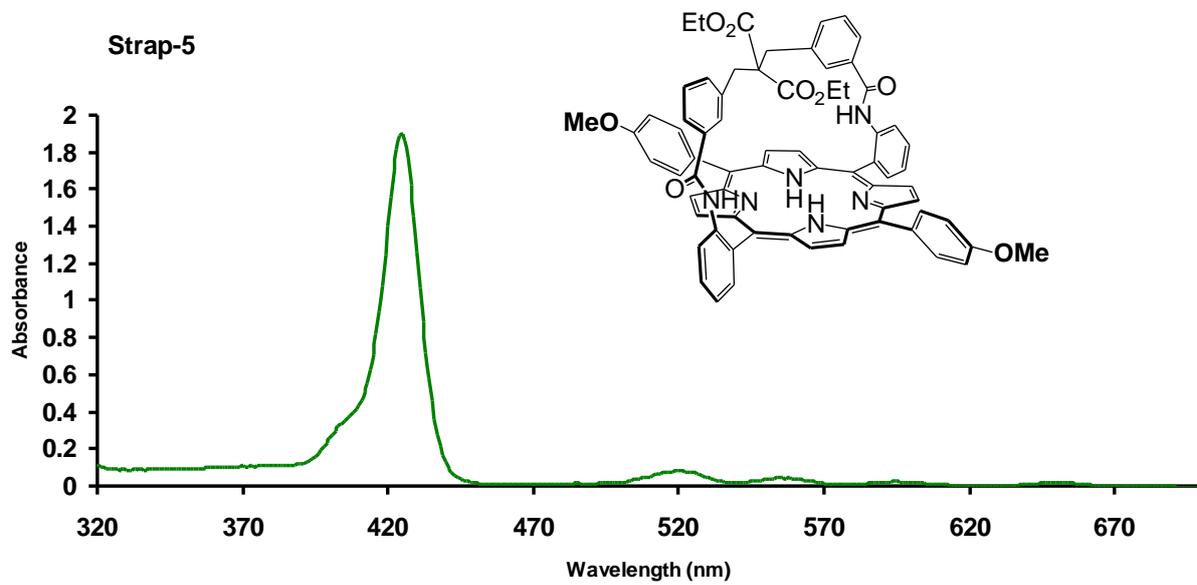




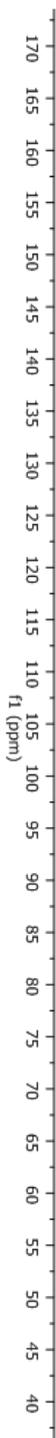
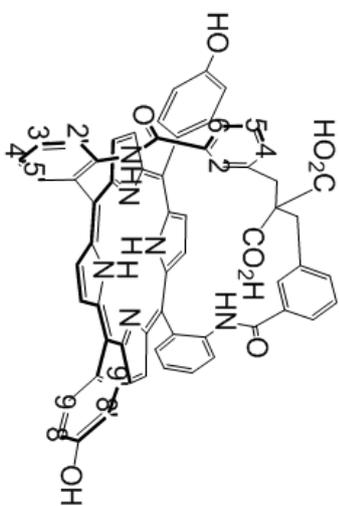




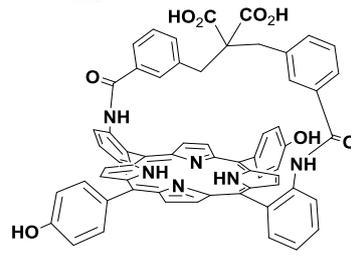
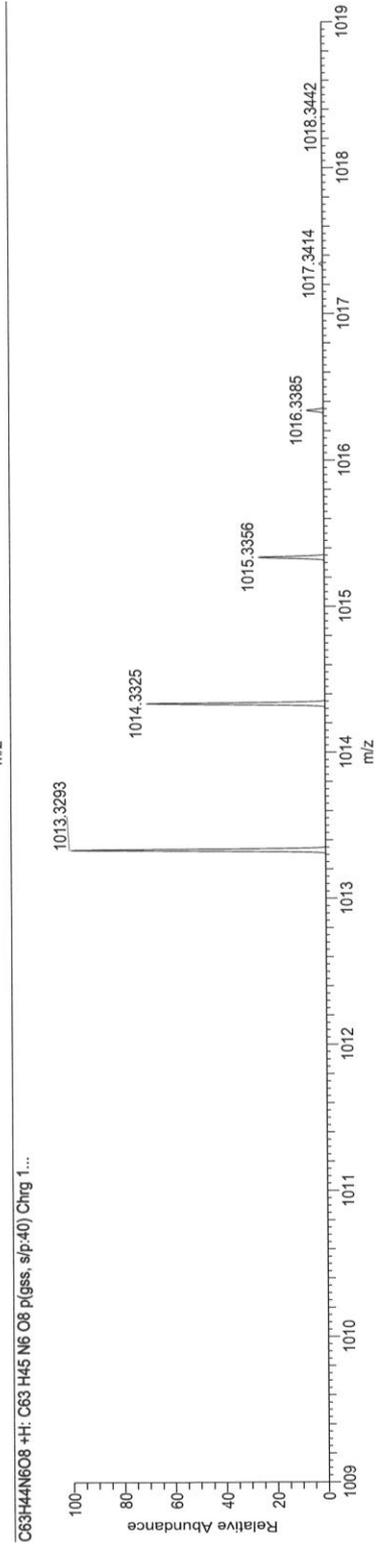
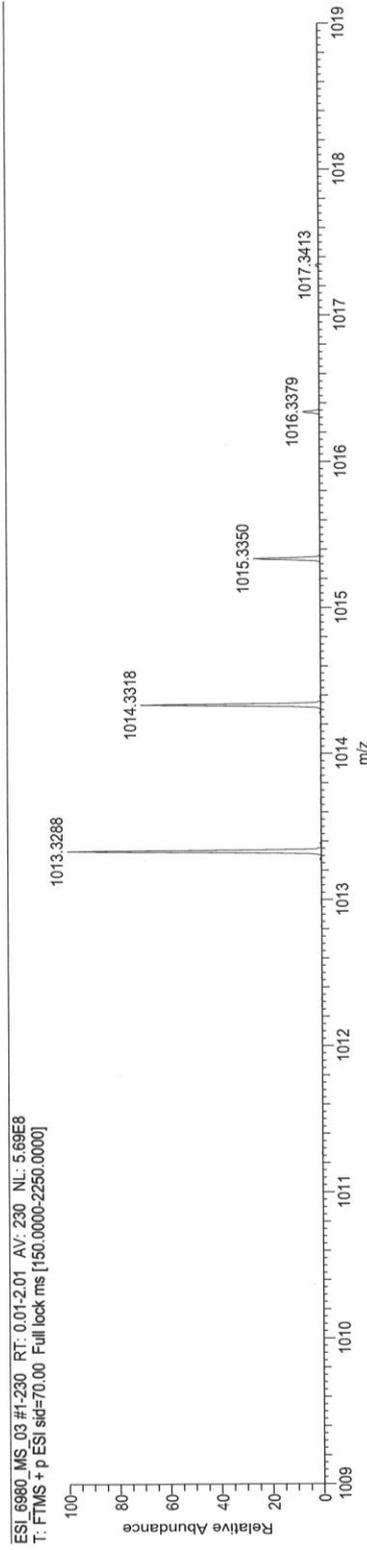
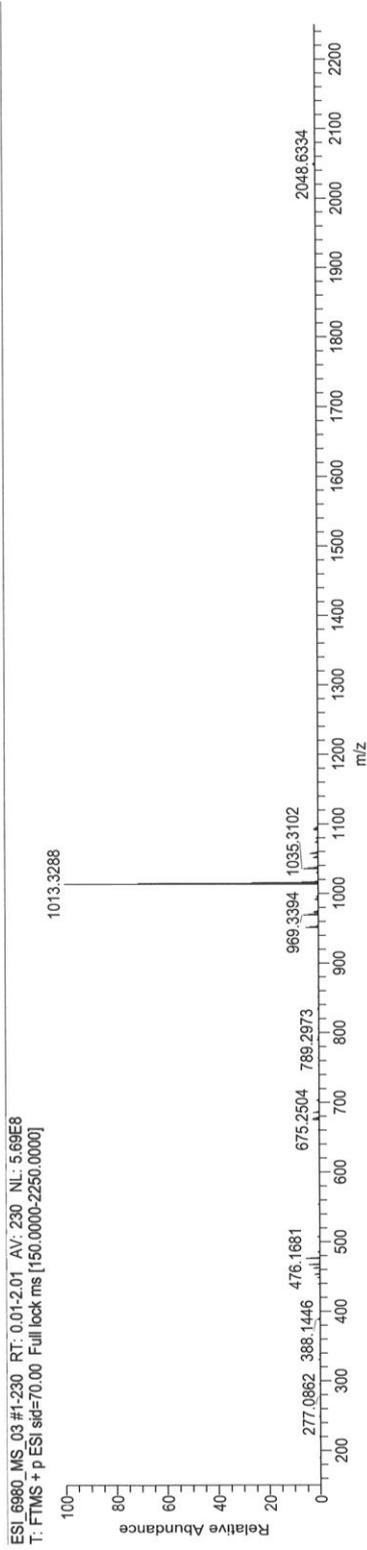




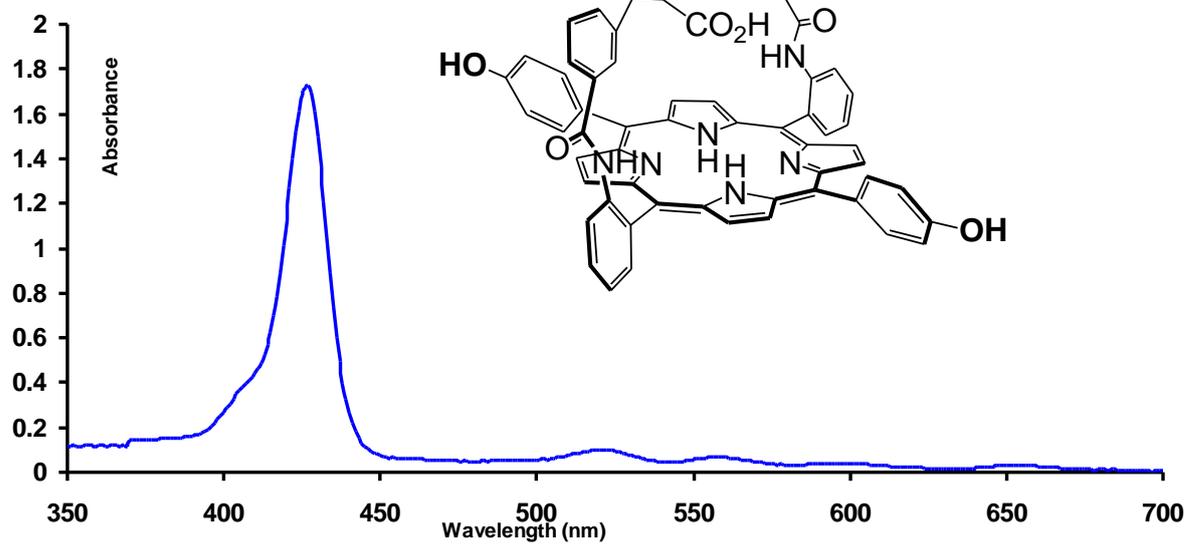
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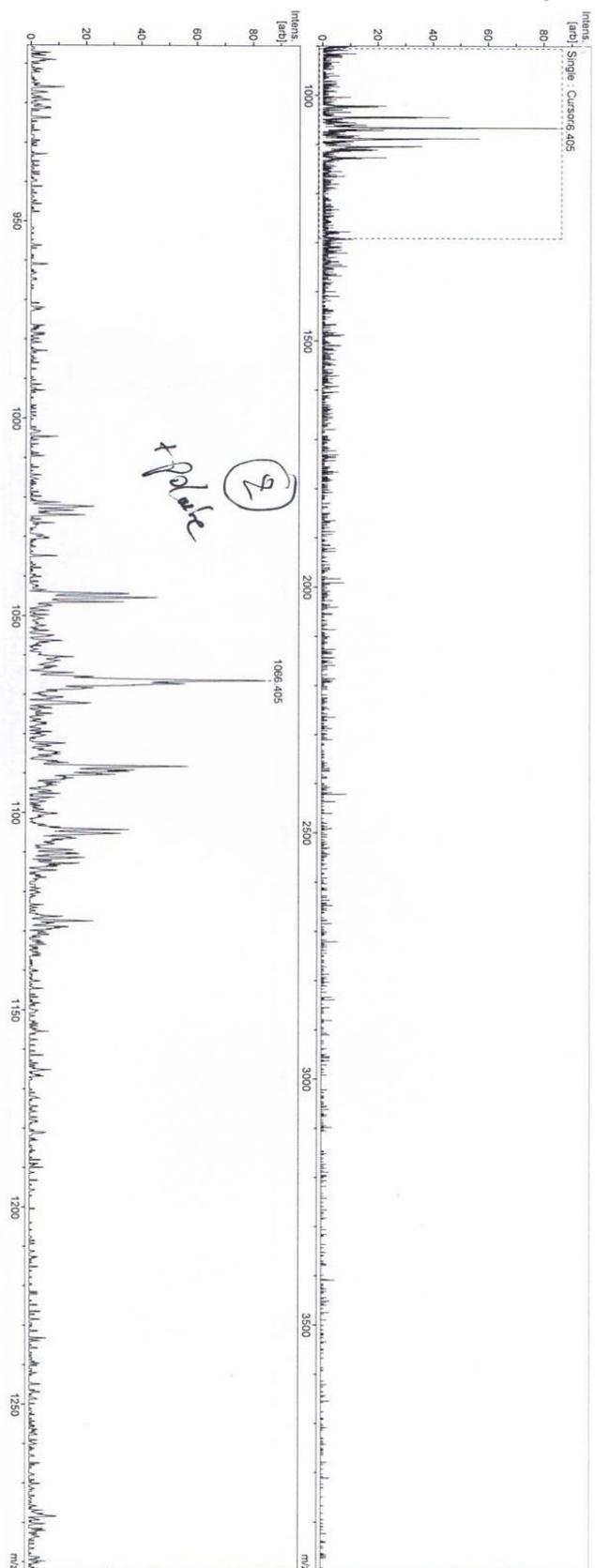


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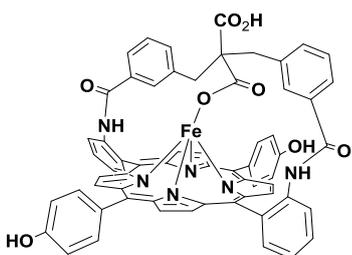
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Electrochemical experiments.

Sample preparation.

3mg of each mixture (**MWNT-FeP(9)**, **MWNT-FeP(10)** or **MWNT-FeP(11)**) were dispersed in 750 μl of ethanol and 75 μl of Nafion solution (5% in alcohol). The mixtures were homogenized using a sonic bath until they formed homogenous inks. For the **MWNT** ink, the same procedure was followed but without adding porphyrins. For the reference **FeP(9)** inks, 3 mg of porphyrins were directly dispersed in 750 μl of ethanol and 75 μl of Nafion solution (5% in alcohol)

Electrode preparation. Before each measurement, the glassy carbon (GC) disk (5 mm, 0.196 cm^2) used as rotating electrode was polished with aqueous dispersions of synthetic diamonds (1 μm), then rinsed and sonicated with water. 5 μl of the catalyst inks were deposited by drop-casting onto the GC disk, then dried in air. For pH 6, a new ink was deposited onto the GC disk for each rotation step.

Electrochemical measurements. The instrument used was a VSP bipotentiostat (Bio-Logic SAS). The electrochemical tests were carried out in pH 10, 8 and 6 (phosphate buffers) solution in a three electrode glass cell, thermostated at 25°C. A "CE to Ground" connection with a saturated KCl Ag/AgCl electrode as reference and a graphite plate as counter electrode was used. As working electrode, a Pine rotating ring disk electrode (RRDE) with catalyst-loaded GC disk (0.196 cm^2) and Pt ring (0.110 cm^2) was controlled by a speed control unit from Princeton Applied Research Model 636 Electrode Rotator. The voltammograms were recorded at 5 $\text{mV}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ in stationary conditions (with various rotating rates: 0, 400, 800, 1200, 1600, and 2000 rpm) in O_2 -saturated solutions. An average current was calculated from the forward and backward scans. All potentials reported in this paper refer to that of the Ag/AgCl electrode. H_2O_2 production was monitored in the RRDE configuration at 400 rpm with a CV at the GC disk (5 $\text{mV}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$). The collection coefficient of the RRDE (0.20) was

measured using the one-electron $\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{3-}/\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{4-}$ redox couple, according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Figures.

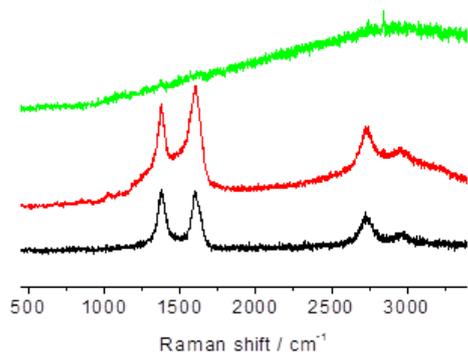


Fig. S1 Raman spectra recorded with excitation at 476 nm of **MWNT** (black), **MWNT-FeP(9)** (red) and porphyrin **9** (green).

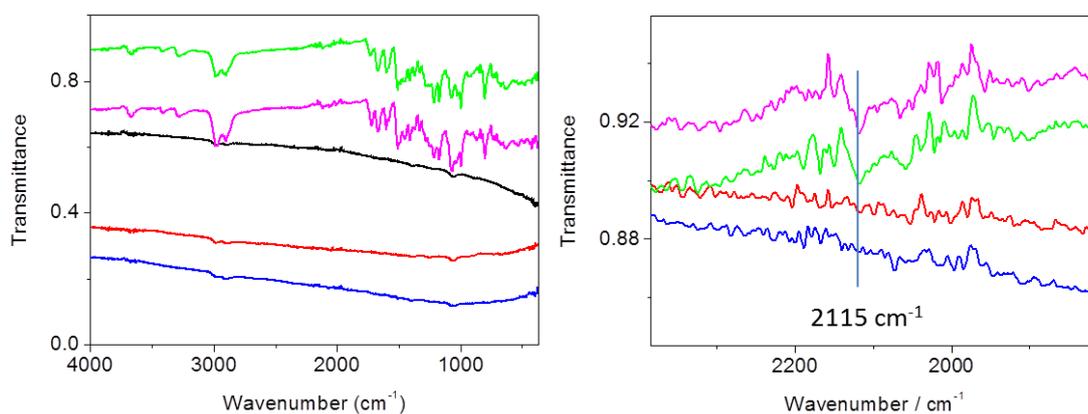


Fig. S2 Infrared spectra of **FeP(9)** (green), **FeP(10)** (pink), **MWNT** (black), **MWNT-FeP(9)** (red) and **MWNT-FeP(10)** (blue); on the left: full spectra and on right close-up of the 2100 cm⁻¹ region. Very weak peaks at 2115 cm⁻¹ corresponding to the C≡C stretching are discernable only in **FeP(9)** and **FeP(10)** and not in MWNT-porphyrin hybrids.

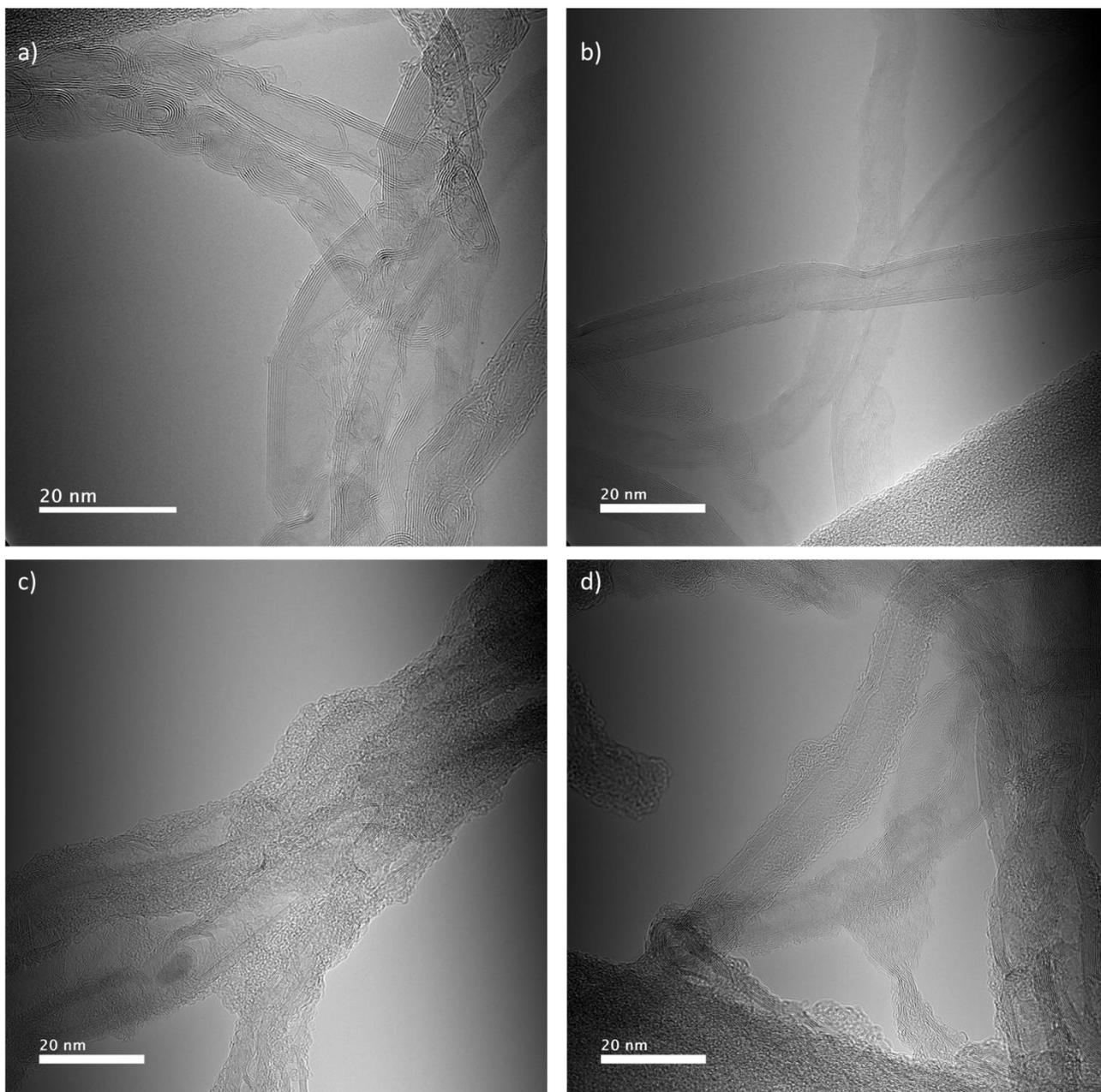


Fig. S3 TEM images of purified MWNT (a-b) and additional images for **MWNT-FeP (9)** (c-d)

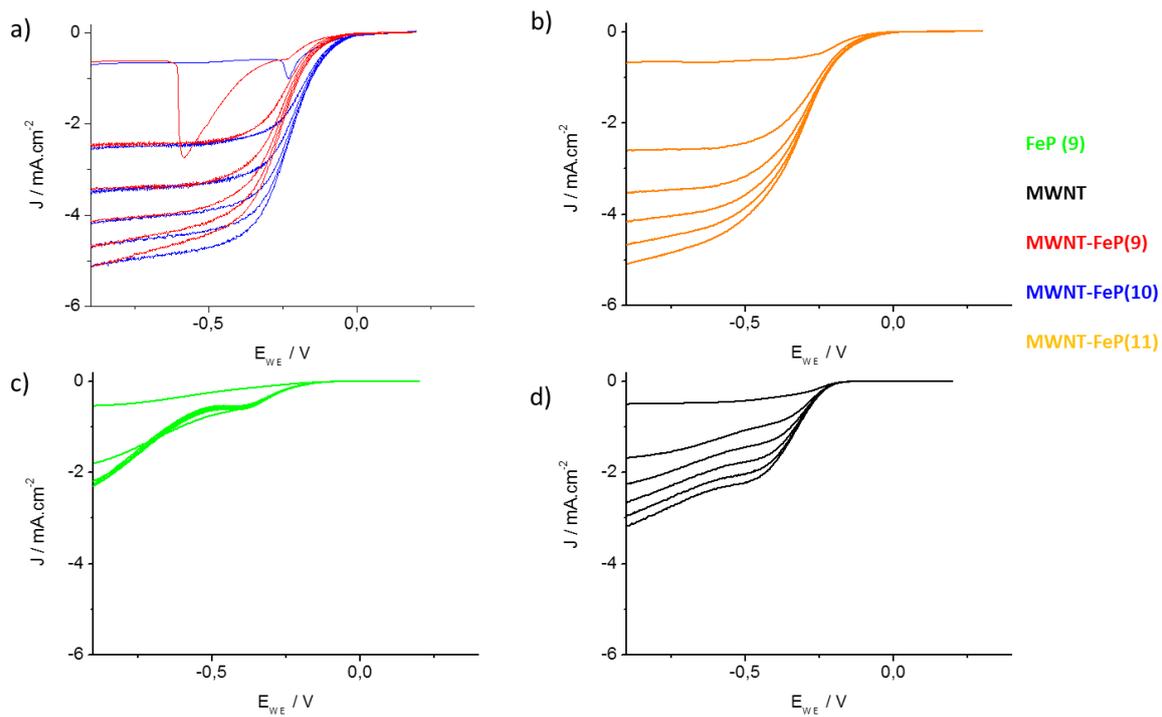


Fig. S4. Polarization curves at different rotation rates (0, 400, 800, 1200, 1600 and 2000 rpm) recorded for ORR in O_2 -saturated at pH 10 (phosphate buffer solution) (scan rate = 5 mV/s, room temperature) on GC with predeposited **FeP(9)** (green) (c) **MWNT-FeP(11)** (orange) (b) and **MWNT** (black) (d). (a) Comparison between, **MWNT-FeP(9)** (red) and **MWNT-FeP(10)** (blue)

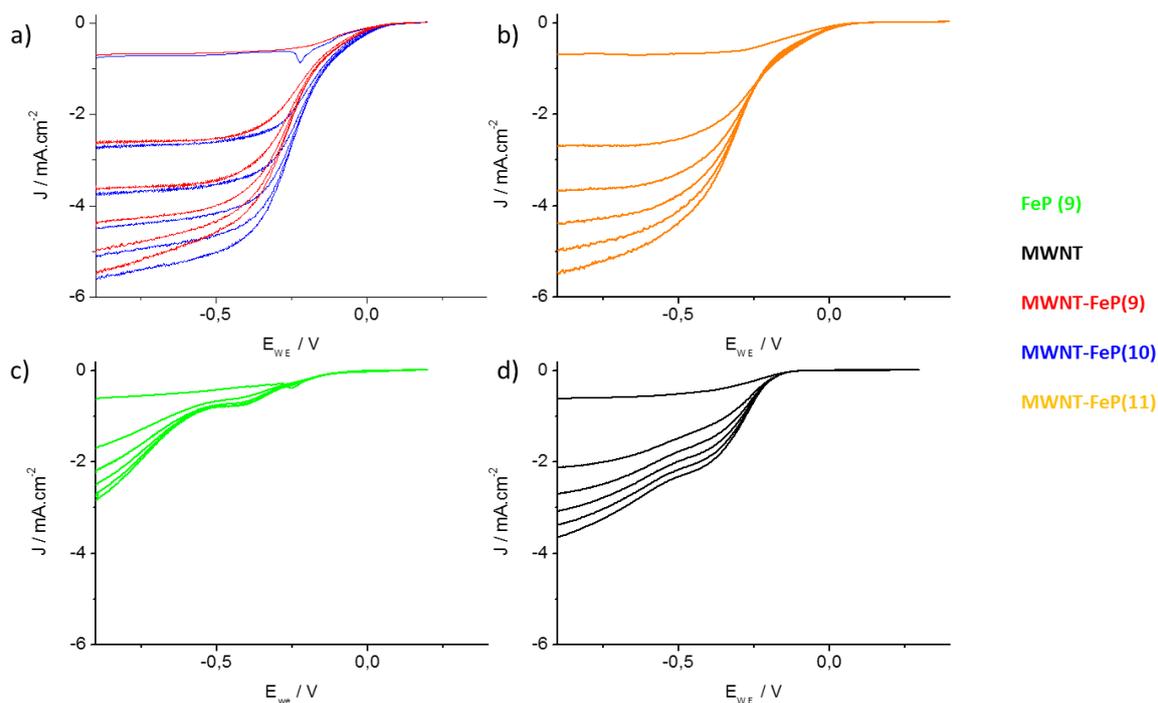


Fig. S5 Polarization curves at different rotation rates (0, 400, 800, 1200, 1600 and 2000 rpm) recorded for ORR in O_2 -saturated at pH 8 (phosphate buffer solution) (scan rate = 5 mV/s, room temperature) on GC with predeposited **FeP(9)** (green) (c) **MWNT-FeP(11)** (orange) (b) and **MWNT** (black) (d). (a) Comparison between, **MWNT-FeP(9)** (red) and **MWNT-FeP(10)** (blue)

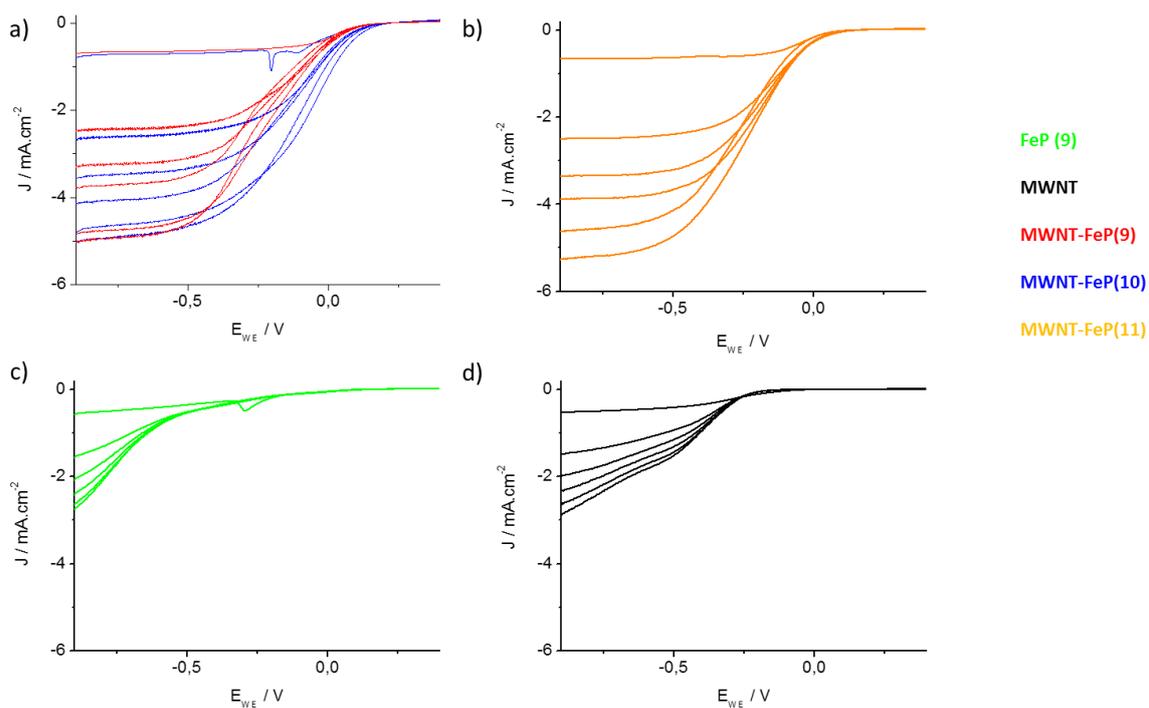


Fig. S6 Polarization curves at different rotation rates (0, 400, 800, 1200, 1600 and 2000 rpm) recorded for ORR in O_2 -saturated at pH 6 (phosphate buffer solution) (scan rate = 5 mV/s, room temperature) on GC with predeposited **FeP(9)** (green) (c) **MWNT-FeP(11)** (orange) (b) and **MWNT** (black) (d). (a) Comparison between, **MWNT-FeP(9)** (red) and **MWNT-FeP(10)** (blue).

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