

Electronic Supplementary Information

Exploring the Surface Chemistry of Cesium Lead Halide Perovskite Nanocrystals

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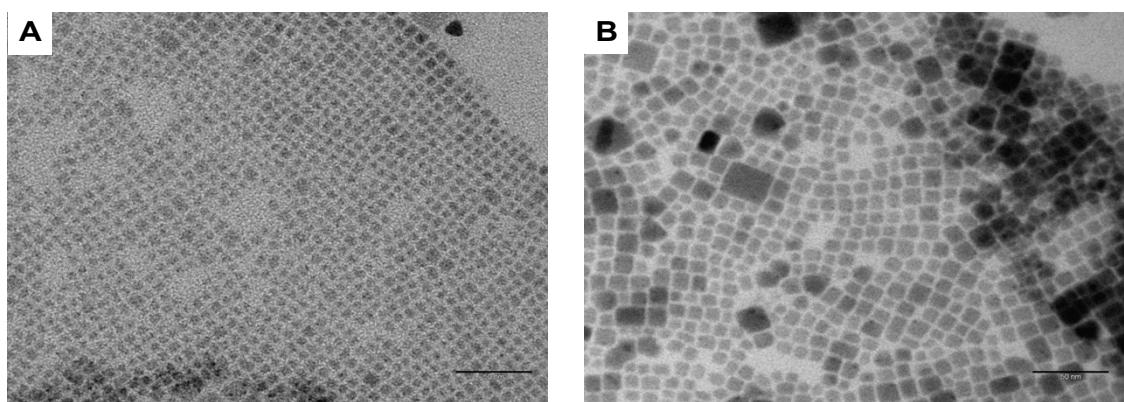


Figure S1. TEM images of as-prepared CsPbCl_3 (A) and CsPbI_3 (B) NCs. Scale bar = 100 nm.

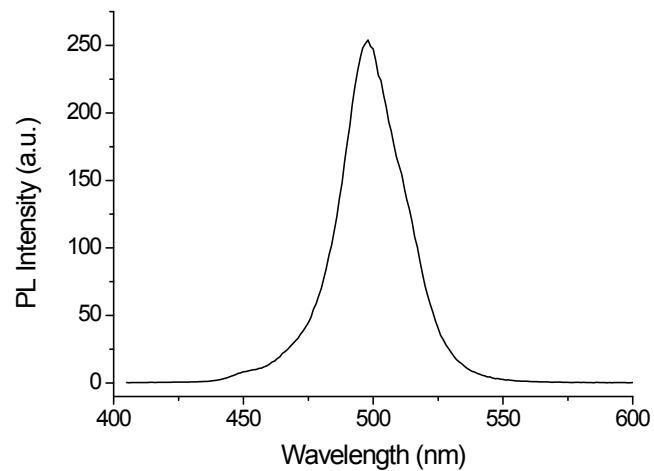


Figure S2. PL spectrum (recorded in cyclohexane) of the supernatant recovered after the purification step for CsPbBr_3 NCs.

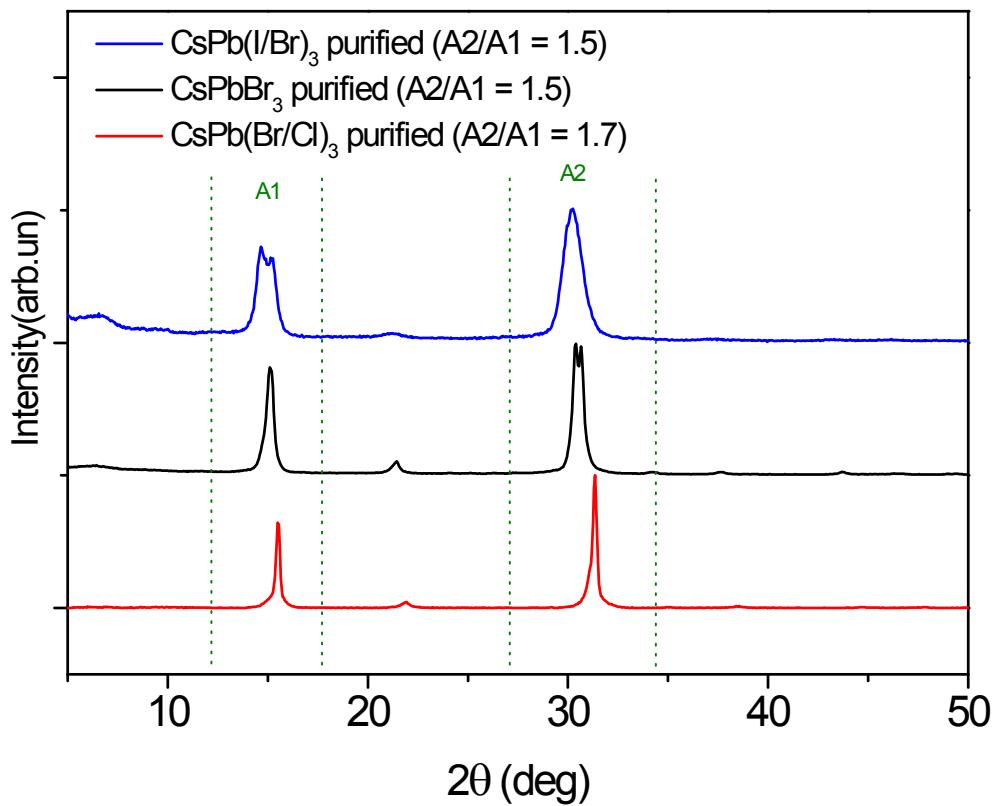


Figure S3. XRD $\theta/2\theta$ scans from purified samples, showing the intensity ratio (in the legend) between the integrated areas under the two main peaks (A1 and A2).



Figure S4. As-prepared (left) and purified (right) CsPbBr_3 NCs samples in the solid state after three weeks storage under ambient conditions and room light.

Table S1. Element concentration (atomic %) and obtained molar ratios of the studied samples analyzed via FEG-SEM-EDX (n=3).

| Sample | Element concentration (atomic %) | | | | | | | | | | Molar ratios | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | Cs | | Pb | | Cl | | Br | | I | | Cs | Pb | Cl | Br | I |
| | Conc | SD | Conc | SD | Conc | SD | Conc | SD | Conc | SD | | | | | |
| CsPbI ₃ | 21.33 | 0.58 | 16.88 | 0.64 | - | - | - | - | 61.79 | 0.07 | 1.3 | 1.0 | - | - | 3.7 |
| CsPb(I/Br) ₃ | 23.90 | 0.85 | 17.40 | 0.33 | - | - | 34.95 | 1.44 | 23.74 | 0.64 | 1.4 | 1.0 | - | 2.0 | 1.4 |
| pur. CsPb(I/Br) ₃ | 24.23 | 0.26 | 18.63 | 0.29 | - | - | 48.05 | 0.79 | 9.09 | 0.30 | 1.3 | 1.0 | - | 2.6 | 0.5 |
| CsPb(Br/Cl) ₃ | 25.00 | 0.21 | 19.10 | 0.13 | 29.21 | 0.37 | 26.69 | 0.41 | - | - | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 1.4 | - |
| pur. CsPb(Br/Cl) ₃ | 22.13 | 0.28 | 19.48 | 0.45 | 30.80 | 0.09 | 27.59 | 0.45 | - | - | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.4 | - |
| CsPbBr ₃ | 24.16 | 0.77 | 19.99 | 0.20 | - | - | 55.85 | 0.85 | - | - | 1.2 | 1.0 | - | 2.8 | - |
| pur. CsPbBr ₃ | 25.02 | 0.26 | 19.60 | 0.20 | - | - | 55.37 | 0.05 | - | - | 1.3 | 1.0 | - | 2.8 | - |
| CsPbCl ₃ | 21.10 | 0.70 | 19.36 | 0.82 | 59.54 | 0.61 | - | - | - | - | 1.1 | 1.0 | 3.1 | - | - |

Conc = concentration

SD = standard deviation

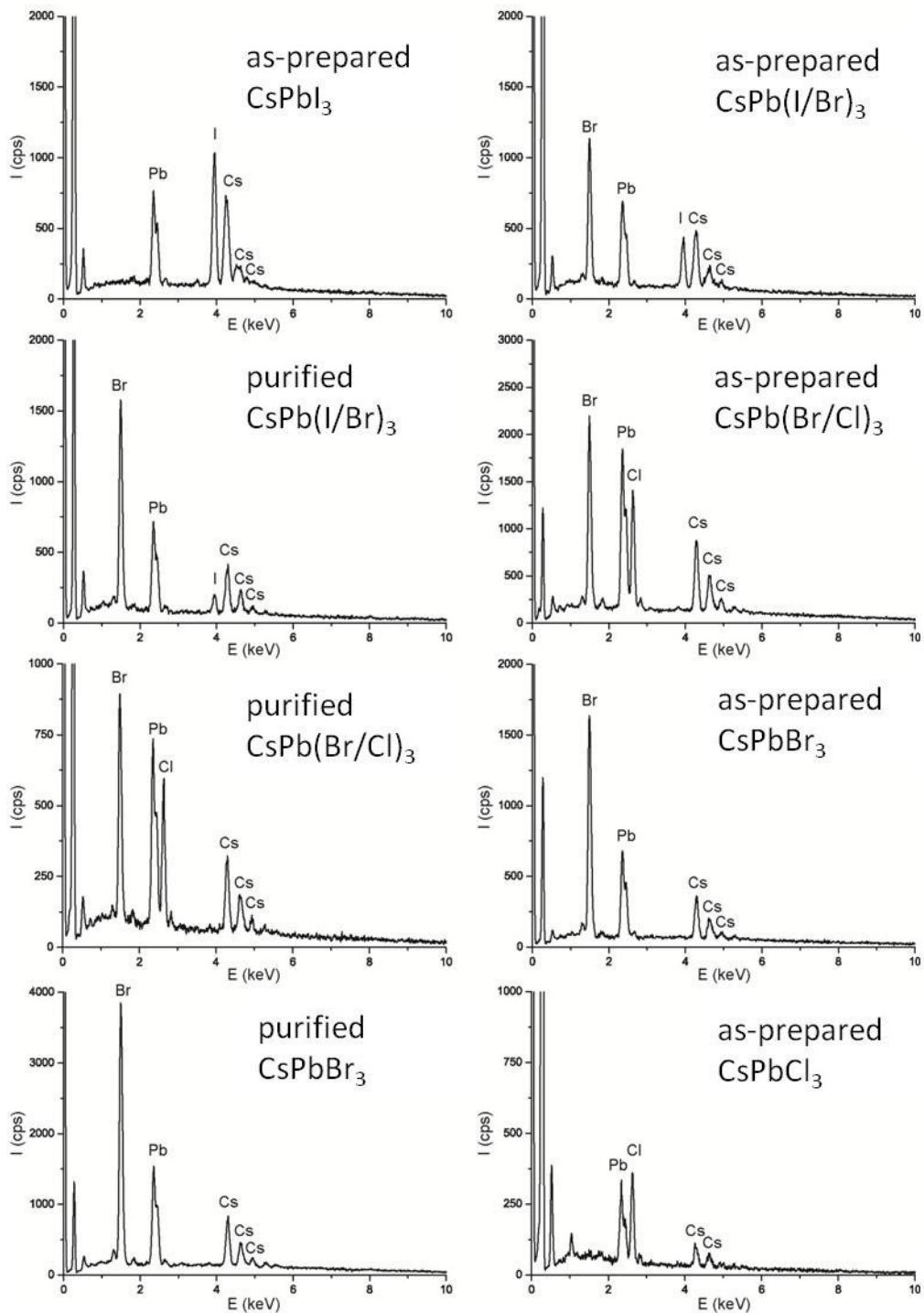


Figure S5. EDX profiles of as-prepared and purified NCs.

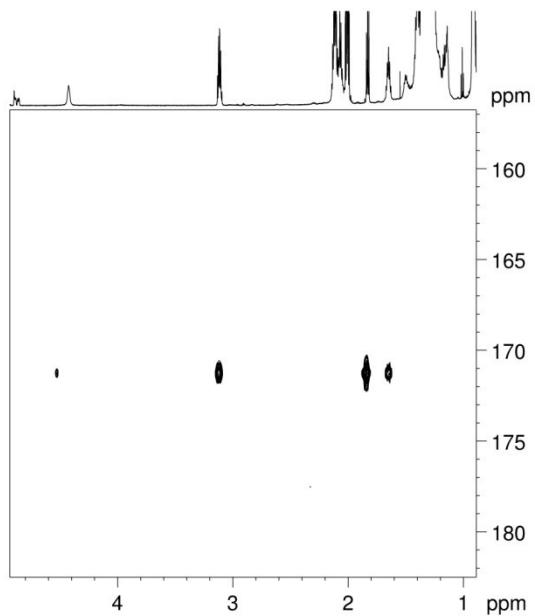


Figure S6. HMBC spectrum in C_6D_6 of the supernatant solution containing the amide, highlighting the presence of the $-CONH-$ group at $\delta = 171.8$ ppm.

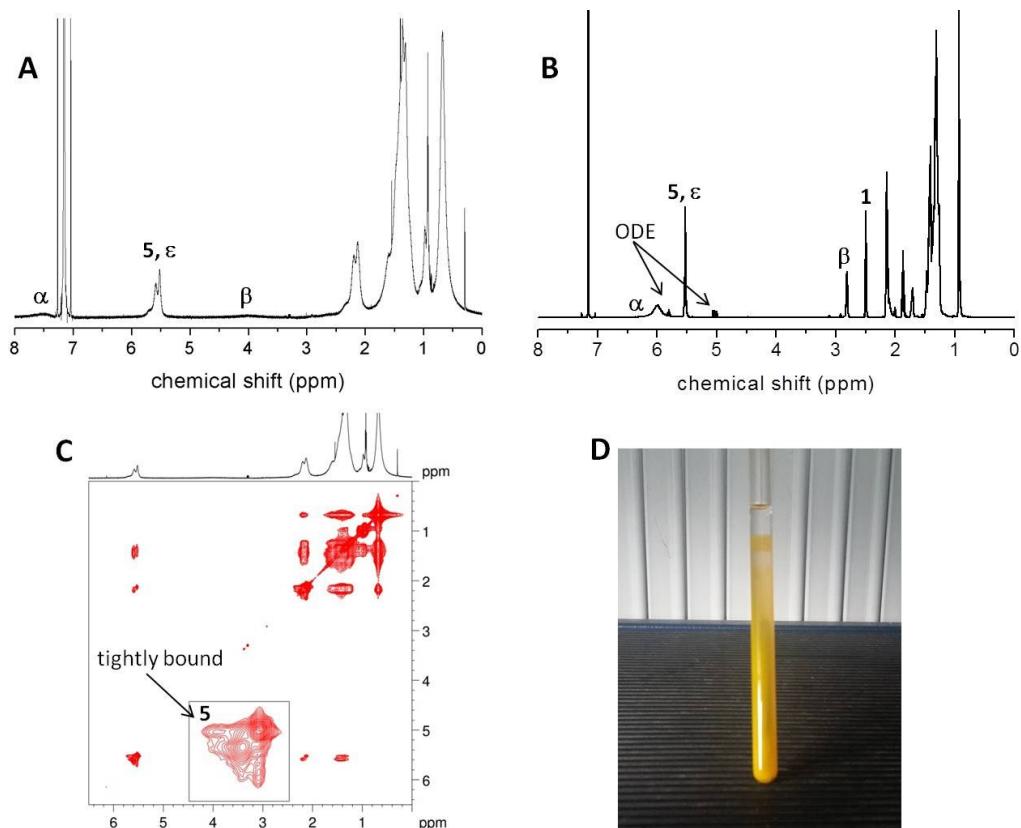


Figure S7. (A) 1H -NMR spectrum of the twice-purified $CsPbBr_3$ NCs in C_6D_6 . (B) 1H -NMR spectrum of the supernatant solution obtained from the relevant centrifugation in C_6D_6 . (C) 2D-NOESY spectrum of twice-purified $CsPbBr_3$ NCs in C_6D_6 ; the inset shows an expansion of the vinylene region. (D) Picture of the same solution stored for one week in ambient conditions.

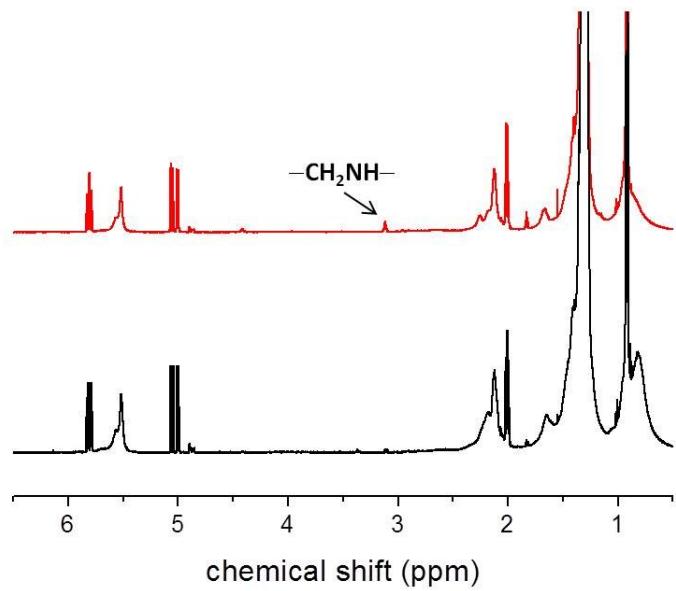


Figure S8. ^1H -NMR spectra of purified CsPbBr_3 NCs (bottom) and the relevant sample stored in ambient conditions for three weeks in C_6D_6 . The arrow points to one of the typical methylene signals ($-\text{CH}_2\text{NHCO}-$) attributable to the amide presence.

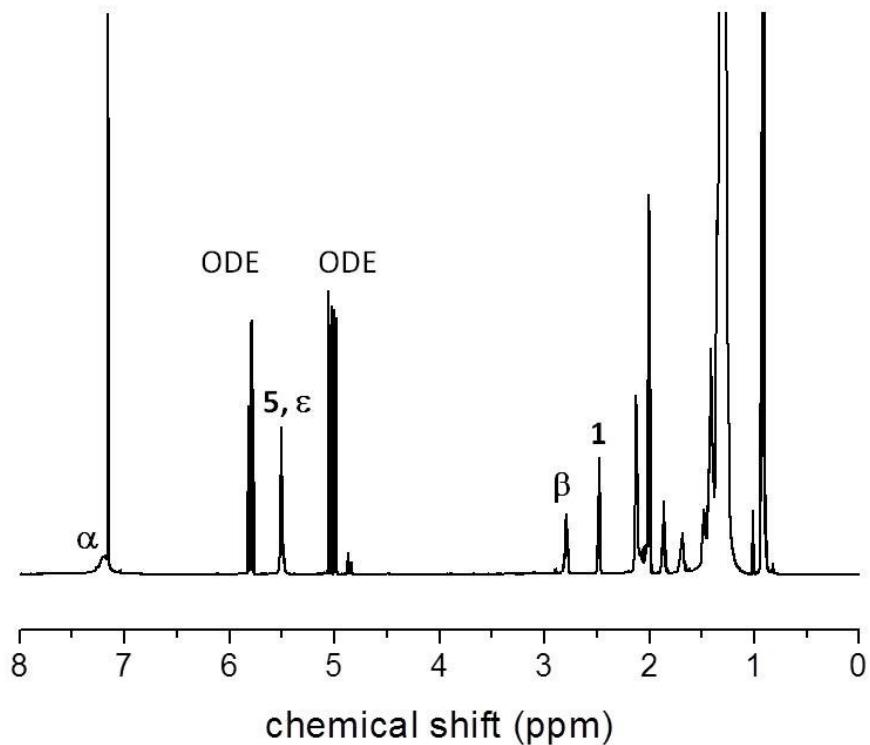


Figure S9. ^1H -NMR spectrum in C_6D_6 of $\text{PbI}_2/\text{OLA}/\text{OLAm}/\text{ODE}$ mixture used for the synthesis of CsPbI_3 NCs immediately before the addition of cesium-oleate. No signals attributable to the amide are present.

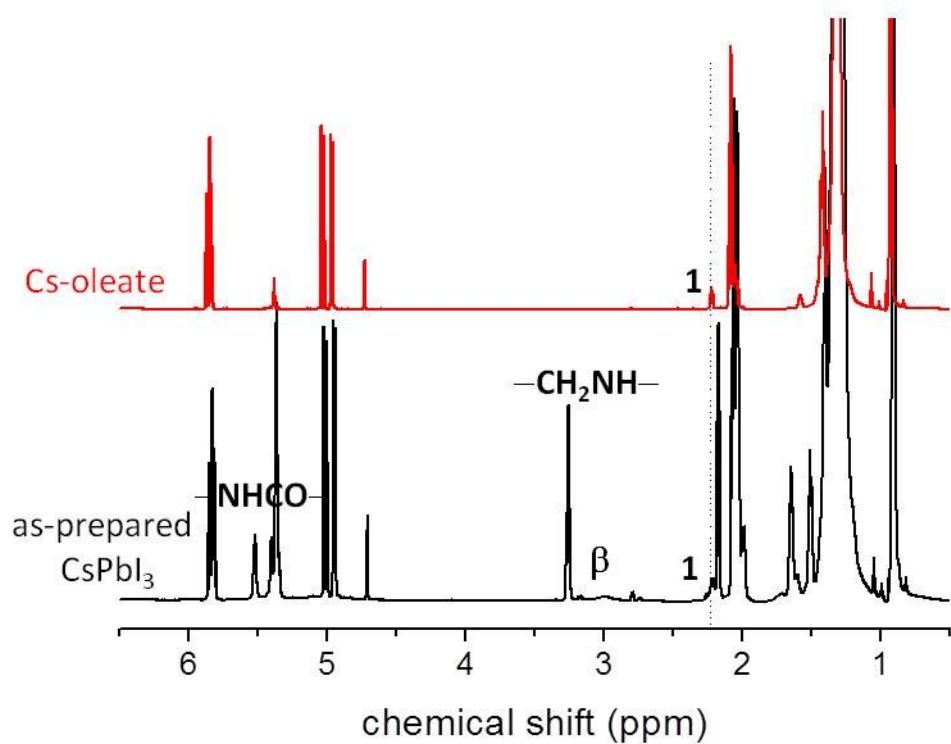


Figure S10. Comparison between the ¹H-NMR spectra of as-prepared CsPbI₃ NCs and cesium-oleate in CDCl₃.

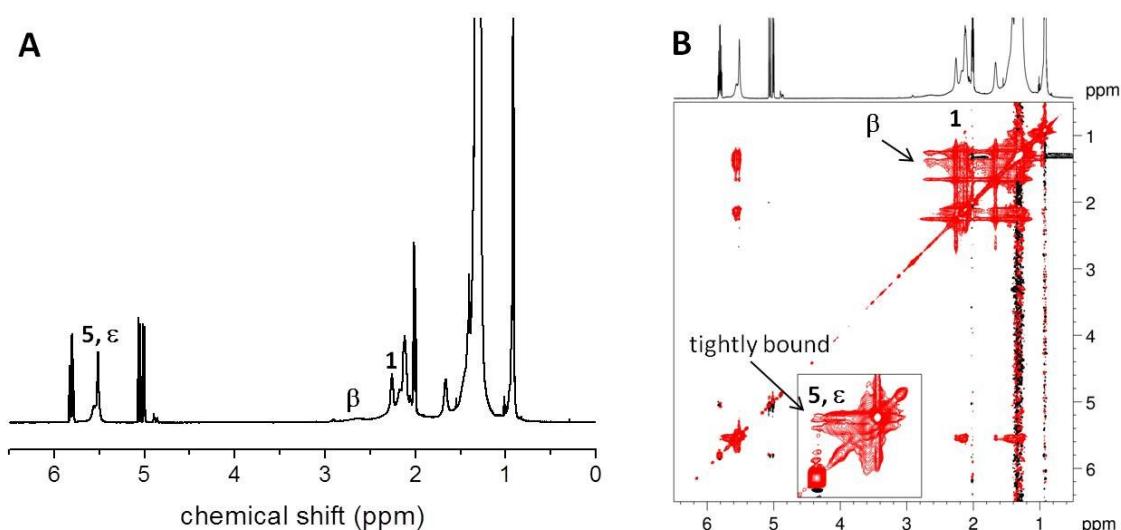


Figure S11. (A) ¹H-NMR spectrum of as-prepared CsPb(Br/Cl)₃ NCs in C₆D₆ and (B) the relevant 2D-NOESY spectrum.

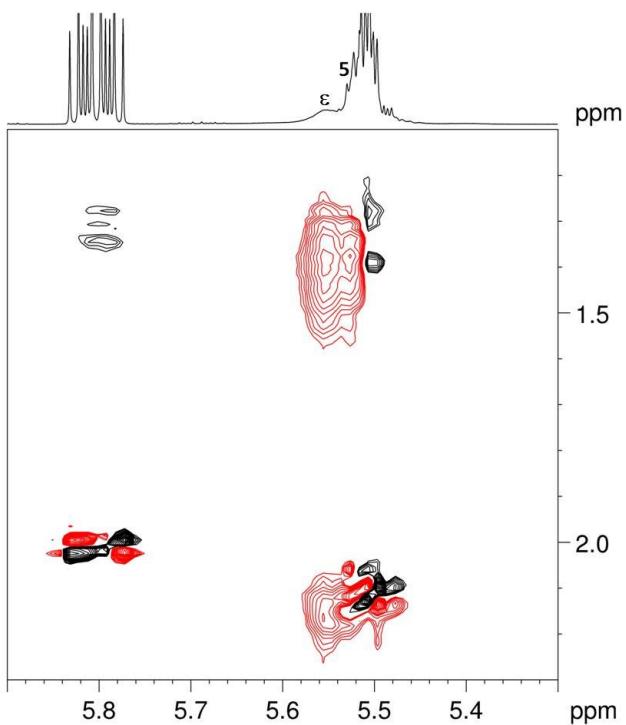


Figure S12. Expansion of the vinylene region of the 2D-NOESY spectrum of as-prepared $CsPb(I/Br)_3$ NCs in C_6D_6 evidencing the absence of tightly bound ligands.