

## Supporting Information

# Broadband Optical Limiting of Novel Twisted Tetrathiafulvalene Incorporated Donor-Acceptor Material and Their Ormosil Gel Glasses

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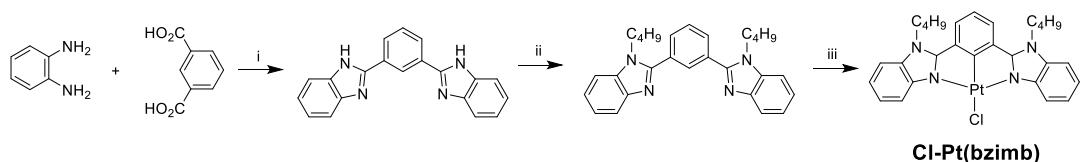
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## **1. Characterization techniques.**

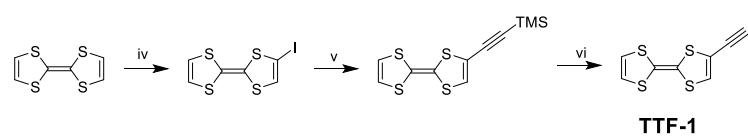
All Chemicals were purchased from Alfa-Aesar, J&K, and Sigma-Aldrich, and used without further purification. All solvents were purified and dried following standard procedures unless otherwise stated. Flash chromatography was carried out with silica gel (200-300 mesh), and analytical TLC was performed with silica gel GF254 plates.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded using a Bruker Avance DPX 400 MHz instrument with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were obtained at 100 MHz and referenced to the internal solvent signals.

## 2. The synthetic procedures of compounds Cl-Pt(bzimb) and TTF-1

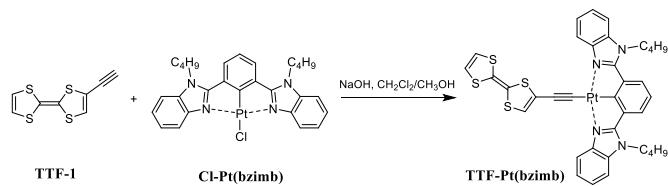
Compounds **TTF-1** and model compound **Cl-Pt(bzimb)** were synthesized according to previous reports.<sup>[S1]</sup> Because of the unstable properties to an acidic condition, the synthesis and characterization procedures of compound **TTF-1** and its precursor compounds should proceed under neutral or alkaline conditions.



i:  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$ , 230 °C, 5h; ii: DMF, NaH, 1-Bromobutane, 100 °C,  $\text{N}_2$ ; iii:  $\text{K}_2\text{PtCl}_4$ , HOAc,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , reflux, 24h.

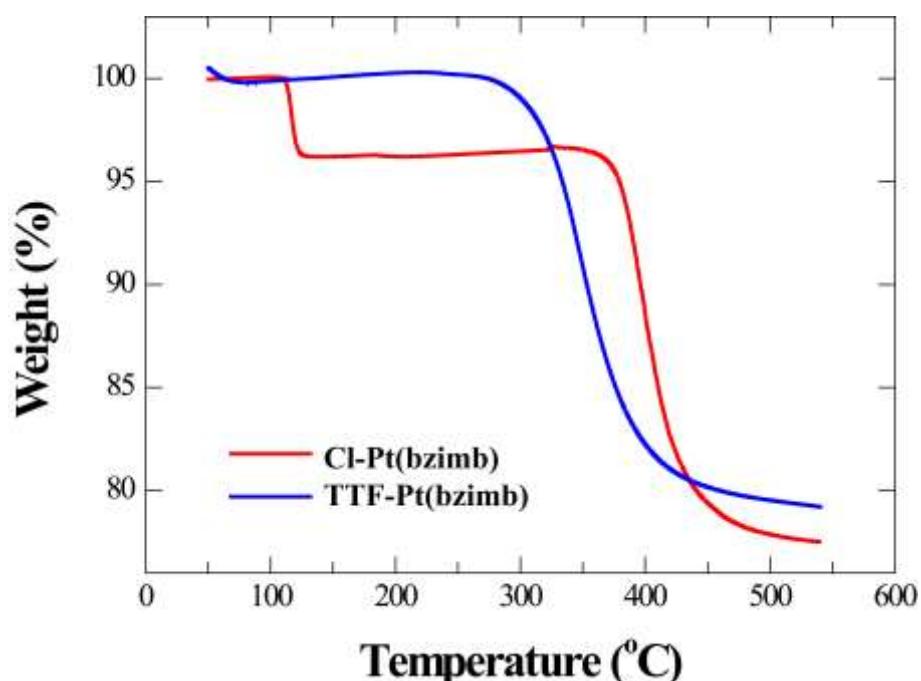


iv:  $\text{TMPPMgCl} \cdot \text{LiCl}$ , THF, 25 °C; I<sub>2</sub>; v: trimethylsilylacetylene,  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$ , CuI, Et<sub>3</sub>N,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , rt; vi:  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , rt.



**Scheme 1** The synthetic procedures of compounds **Cl-Pt(bzimb)**, **TTF-1** and **TTF-Pt(bzimb)**.

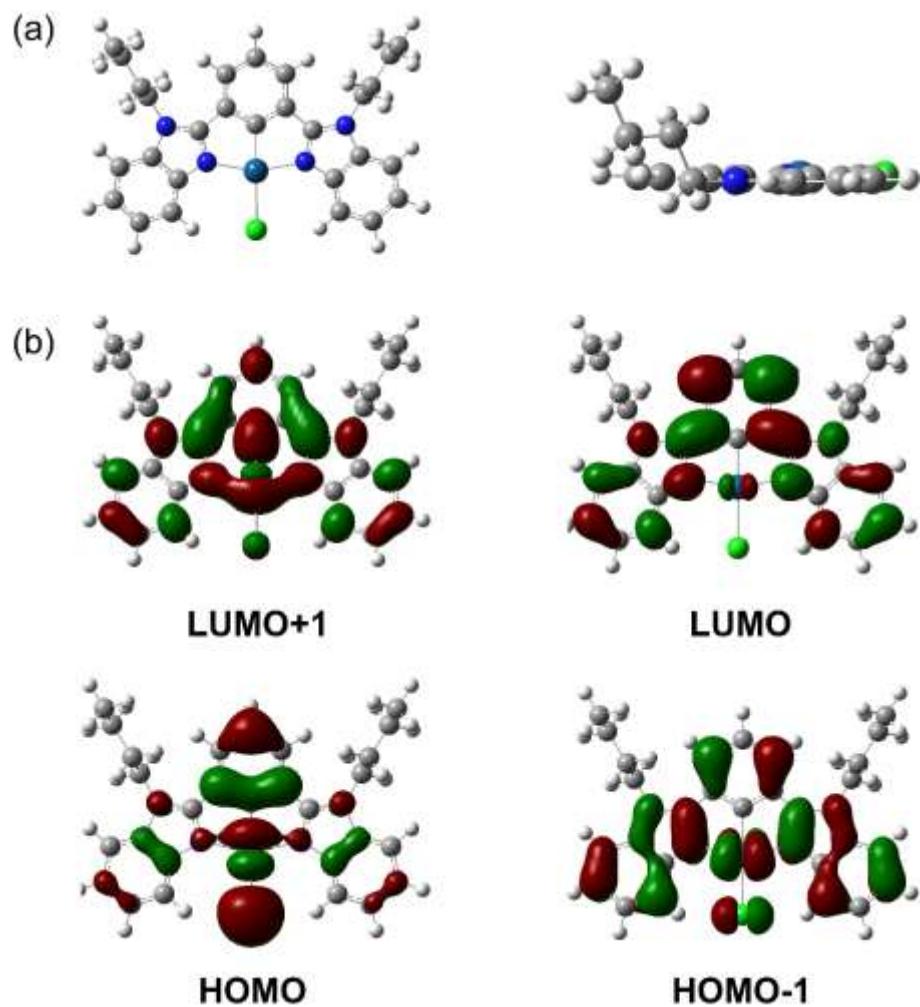
### 3. Thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA) of TTF-Pt(bzimb) and model compound Cl-Pt(bzimb)



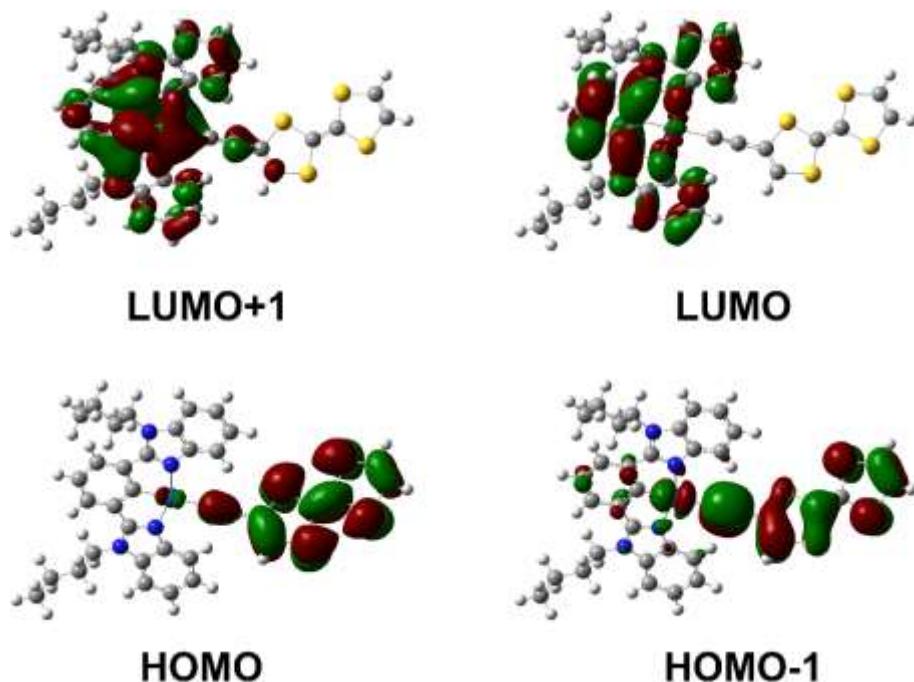
**Fig. S1.** TGA curves of TTF-Pt(bzimb) and Cl-Pt(bzimb): heating rate:  $10\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C min}^{-1}$ . From RT to  $550\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  under a nitrogen atmosphere. The first mass loss of Cl-Pt(bzimb) at  $112\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  is the loss of Cl atom, and this compound decomposed finally at  $384\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; The decomposition temperatures (5% mass loss) of TTF-Pt(bzimb) is of  $335\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## 4. DFT calculations

All the calculations were performed with the Gaussian 09 (Revision E.01) suite of program.<sup>[S2]</sup> Geometries optimization and frequency analysis were performed at the level of B3LYP/6-31g(d,p). Table S1 list the TD-DFT and DFT calculated HOMO/HOMO-1 and LUMO/LUMO+1, and Table S2 and S3 list the coordinates and energies at the optimized geometries of **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** and **Cl-Pt(bzimb)**, and there were no any imaginary frequencies. Then the molecular orbitals were analyzed, the energy gaps ( $E_g$ ) were obtained by  $E_{\text{LUMO}} - E_{\text{HOMO}}$ . Additionally, The range-separated hybrid functional CAM-B3LYP<sup>[S3]</sup> with SDD basis set<sup>[S4]</sup> for Pt atom and 6-31+G(d,p) basis set for other atoms was used for geometries optimization and Vibrational frequency analysis of **TTF-Pt(bzimb)**, and Integral Equation Formalism model (IEFPCM)<sup>[S5]</sup> was adopted to simulate the solvation effect with dichloromethane as solvent. The calculation results were listed in Fig. S4 and Table S5.



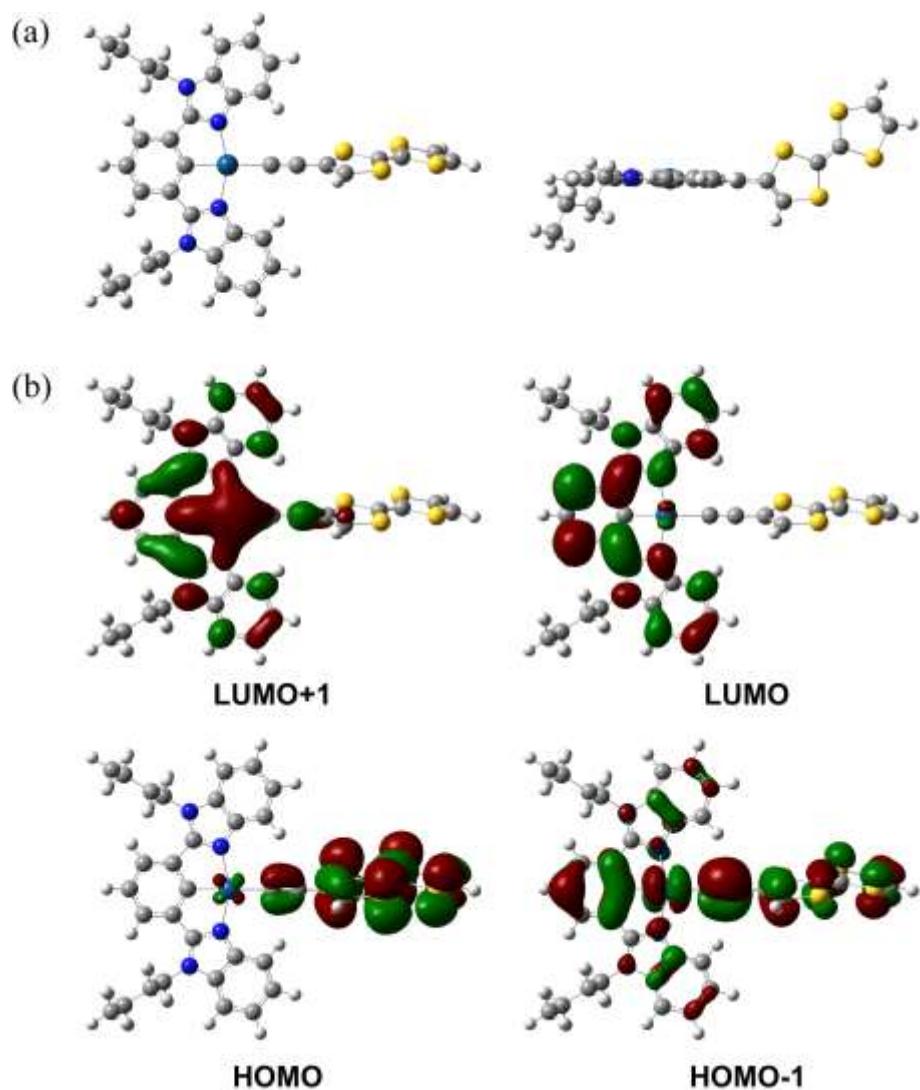
**Fig. S2** The DFT calculated at the level of B3LYP/6-31g(d,p). (a) chemical structures (top and side view along Pt(bzimb) plane ) and (b) the frontier molecular orbital distributions of model compound **Cl-Pt(bzimb)**.



**Fig. S3** The frontier molecular orbital distributions of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** at the level of B3LYP/6-31g(d,p).

**Table S1.** The calculated HOMO/HOMO-1 and LUMO/LUMO+1 energies of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** and **Cl-Pt(bzimb)** at the level of B3LYP/6-31g(d,p).

Compounds	$E_{\text{HOMO-1}}$ [eV]	$E_{\text{HOMO}}$ [eV]	$E_{\text{LUMO}}$ [eV]	$E_{\text{LUMO+1}}$ [eV]	$E_g$ [eV]
<b>TTF-Pt(bzimb)</b>	-5.05	-3.96	-1.77	-1.31	2.19
<b>Cl-Pt(bzimb)</b>	-5.54	-5.30	-1.74	-1.22	3.56



**Fig. S4** The molecular structure (a) and frontier molecular orbital distributions (b) of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** at the level of the range-separated hybrid functional CAM-B3LYP/6-31+g(d,p).

**Table S2.** Coordinates and energy of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** based TD-DFT calculations at the level of B3LYP/6-31g(d,p).

Labels	Atoms	X	Y	Z
1	C	-4.66848	2.06089	-0.61371
2	C	-3.30777	1.738091	-0.48557
3	C	-2.92373	0.382133	-0.44043
4	C	-3.87886	-0.65043	-0.5395
5	C	-5.23724	-0.31774	-0.66909
6	C	-5.61111	1.030278	-0.70419
7	C	-2.12324	2.588836	-0.35647
8	C	-3.20776	-1.94932	-0.46359
9	N	-1.96894	3.949064	-0.38335
10	C	-0.61421	4.221172	-0.19786
11	C	0.031161	2.971786	-0.07843
12	N	-0.92901	1.982243	-0.18257
13	N	-1.86896	-1.95602	-0.28413
14	C	-1.45897	-3.27563	-0.24541
15	C	-2.59873	-4.09257	-0.4054
16	N	-3.68417	-3.23019	-0.55217
17	C	0.092425	5.424768	-0.1324
18	C	1.469457	5.335557	0.05294
19	C	2.118852	4.089729	0.1711
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21	C	-0.1866	-3.83763	-0.08968
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23	C	-1.24252	-6.03732	-0.24782
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25	C	-3.00365	4.967172	-0.55038
26	C	-3.67504	5.373973	0.767825
27	C	-4.73826	6.4618	0.568184
28	C	-5.41324	6.879444	1.878486
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77	Pt	-1.009803	-0.081182	-0.177445

**Total energy:** = -3322.2697 Hartrees

**Table S3.** Coordinates and energy of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** based DFT calculations at the level of B3LYP/6-31g(d,p).

Labels	Atoms	X	Y	Z
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59	H	-9.08702	-4.73085	1.513533
60	H	-8.1379	-3.40203	2.193254
61	H	-7.58595	-5.07057	2.384897
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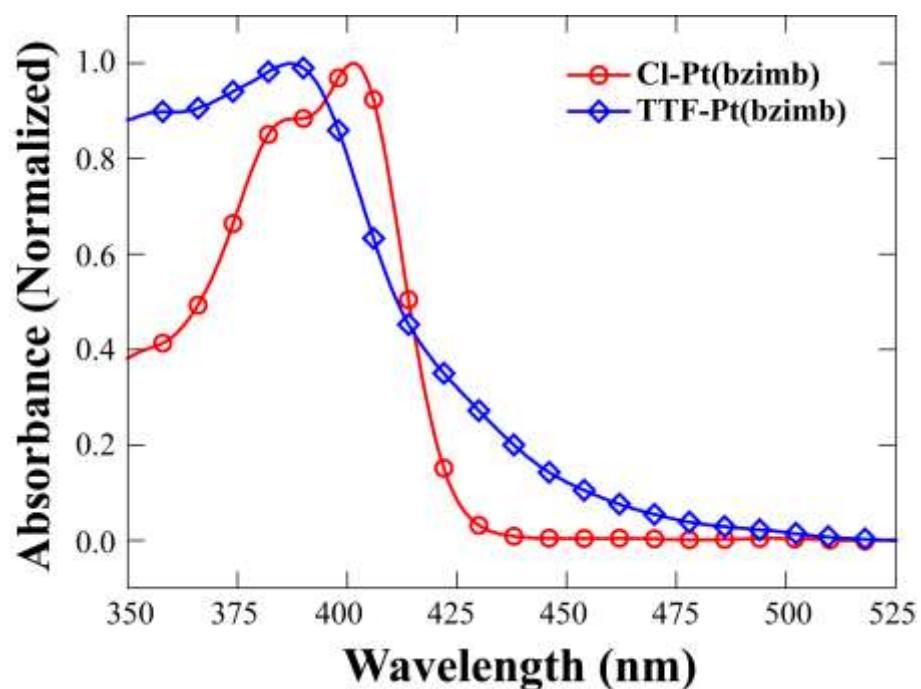
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2	C	3.26184	0.21239	-0.79309
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6	C	1.15859	1.38154	-0.5657
7	H	3.86253	-0.68765	-0.83552
8	H	4.98392	1.4732	-1.00033
9	H	3.75542	3.57776	-0.8841
10	C	0.8306	3.70505	-0.56213
11	C	-1.18236	4.53441	-0.29513
12	C	-0.29429	5.60742	-0.45993
13	C	-2.54817	4.7569	-0.10487
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16	H	-3.22624	3.92069	0.01778
17	C	-2.08425	7.14635	-0.24736
18	H	-0.04207	7.76487	-0.56004
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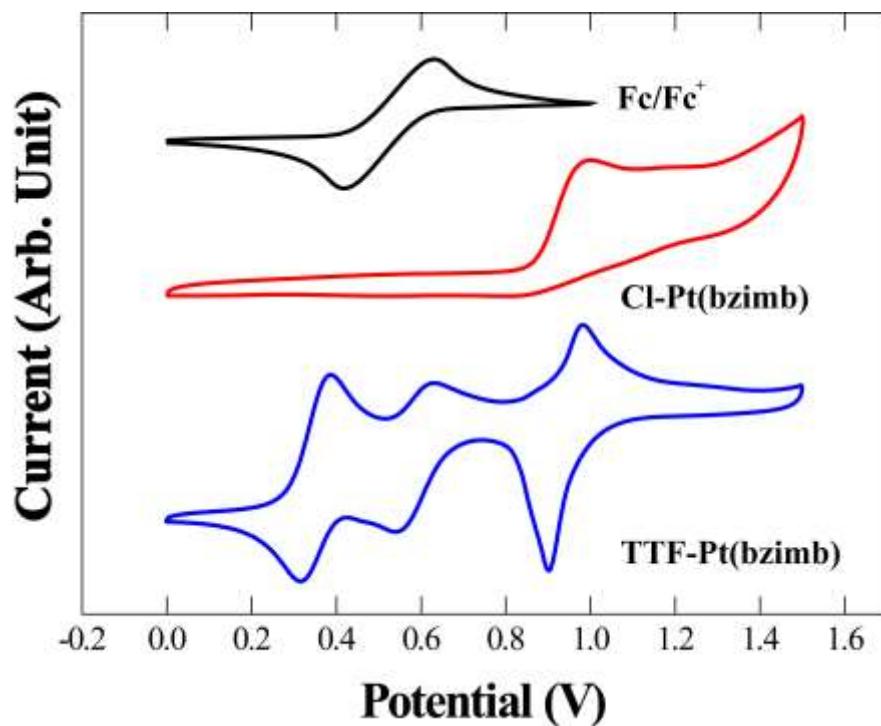
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**5. The partial UV-vis spectra of compound TTF-Pt(bzimb) and Cl-Pt(bzimb)**



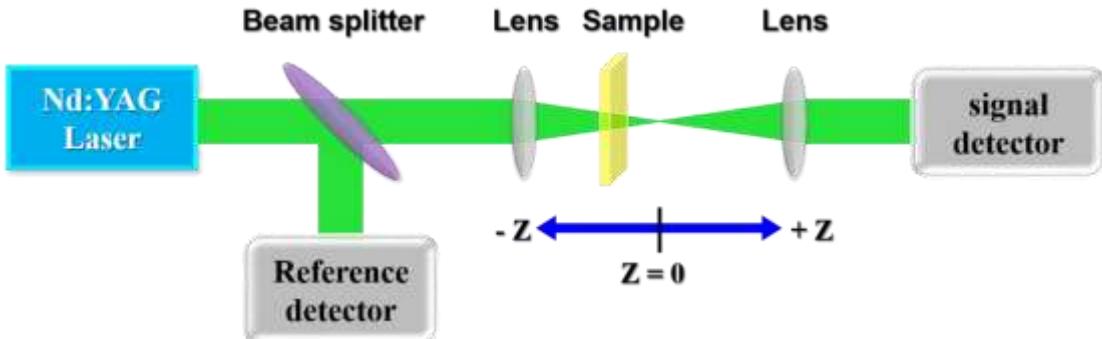
**Fig. S5** The partial normalized UV-vis spectra of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** and **Cl-Pt(bzimb)** at the wavelength of 350-525 nm.

## 6. Cyclic voltammogramme of TTF-Pt(bzimb) and Cl-Pt(bzimb).



**Fig. S6** Cyclic voltammogramme of **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** and **Cl-Pt(bzimb)**. (condition:  $c = 5 \times 10^{-4}$  M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution,  $(n\text{-Bu})_4\text{NPF}_6$  was used as supporting electrolyte; Pt/C as working electrode, Pt as counter electrode, and  $\text{Ag}/\text{Ag}^+$  as reference electrode; scan speed  $50 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$ ; V vs  $\text{Fc}/\text{Fc}^+$ ; temperature  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ).

## 7. Z-scan measurements



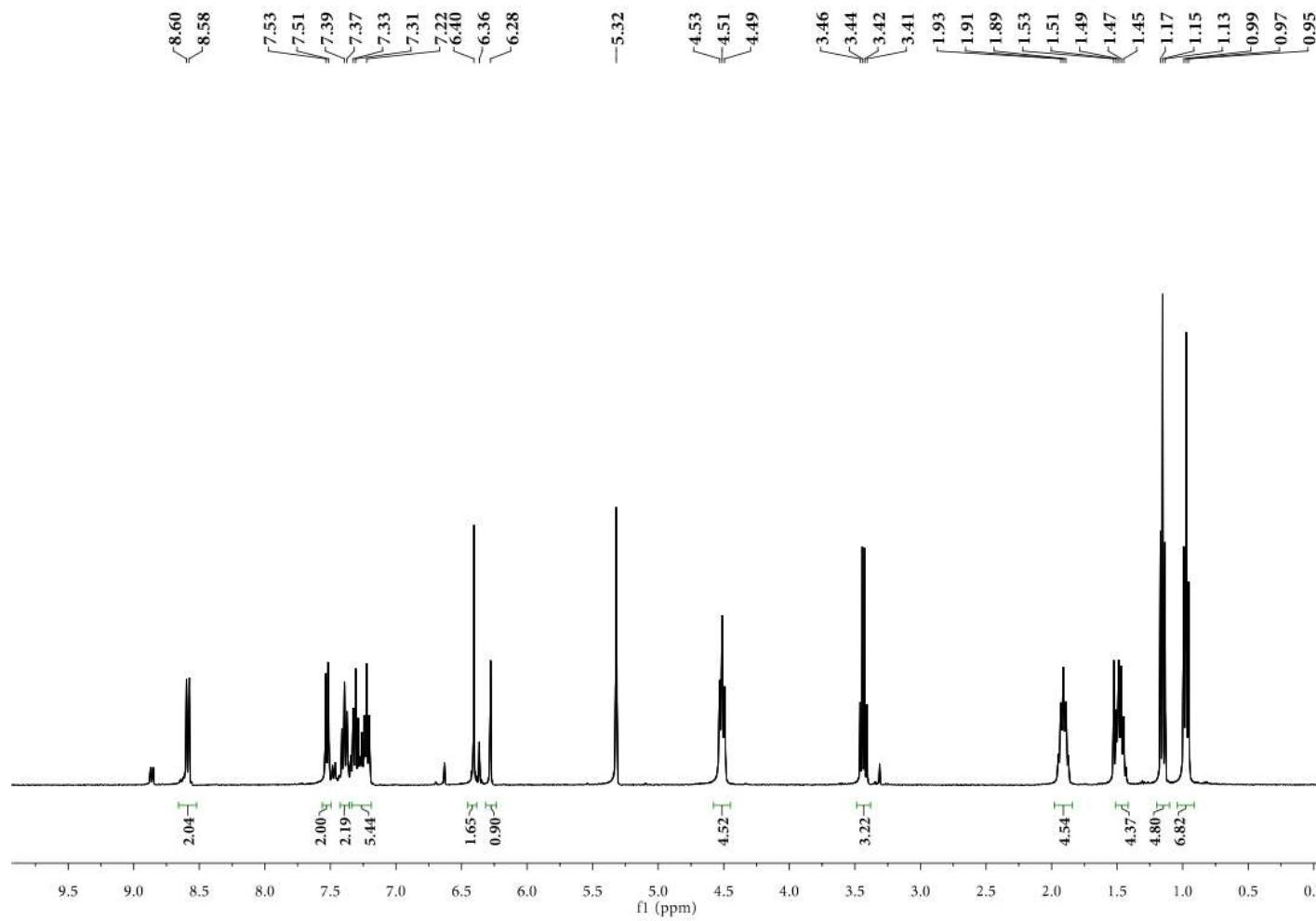
**Fig. S7** The typical double-beams experimental arrangement of Z-scan measurement

**The detail description of Z-scan measurement:** The Z-scan method was introduced in 1989 by Sheik-Bahae *et al.*<sup>[S6]</sup> using to determine the magnitude of the excited-state absorption cross-section, nonlinear absorption coefficient and the sign and magnitude of the nonlinear refractive index. In this work, the optical performances are collected using Z-scan technology with FWHM of 8 ns laser pulses with a repetition frequency of 10 Hz from an Nd:YAG laser (Spectra-Physics Quanta-Ray INDI Pulsed Nd:YAG Laser, optical parametric oscillator) under wavelength of 532 and 1064 nm. The spatial and temporal profiles of the laser pulses presented an approximately Gaussian distribution. As shown in Fig. S7, the laser beam has been divided into two beams: one laser beam is collected directly by reference detector to monitor energy fluctuations. Meanwhile, another beam is focused with the lens on samples to detect the transmittance as the sample is scanned through the Z-direction to tune the intensities on it. Herein, our measurements were processed under the open-aperture configuration. The Z-scan curves, which are the normalized transmittance as a function of the sample position (Z), were measured with an open aperture.

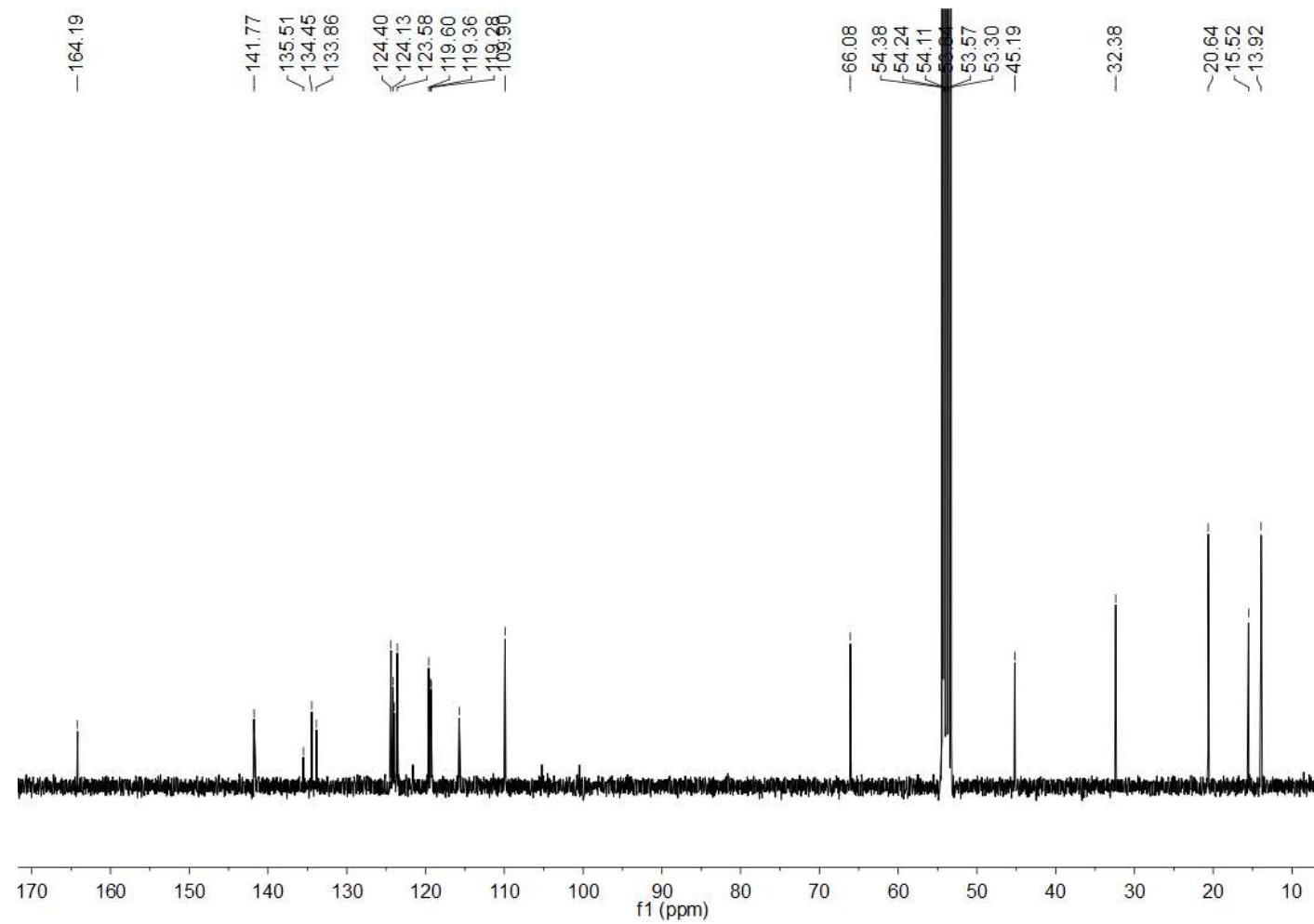
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**9.  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of compound TTF-Pt(bzimb)**

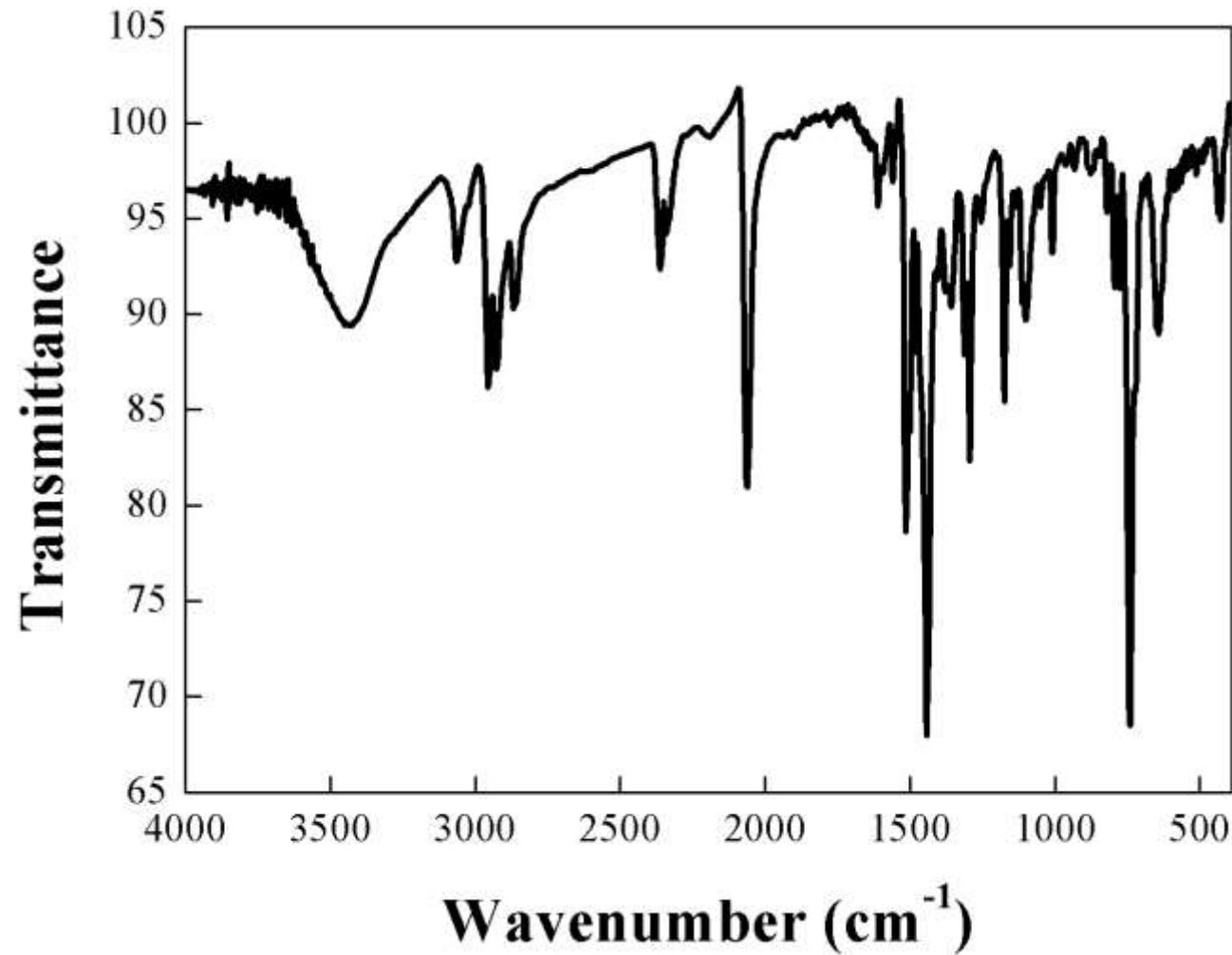


**Figure S8.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound TTF-Pt(bzimb) (400 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).



**Fig. S9**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **TTF-Pt(bzimb)** (100 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)

**10. FTIR spectrum of compound TTF-Pt(bzimb)**



**Fig. S10** FTIR spectrum of compound TTF-Pt(bzimb)