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Photophysical properties and application in live cell imaging of B,B-fluoro-perfluoroalkyl BODIPYs

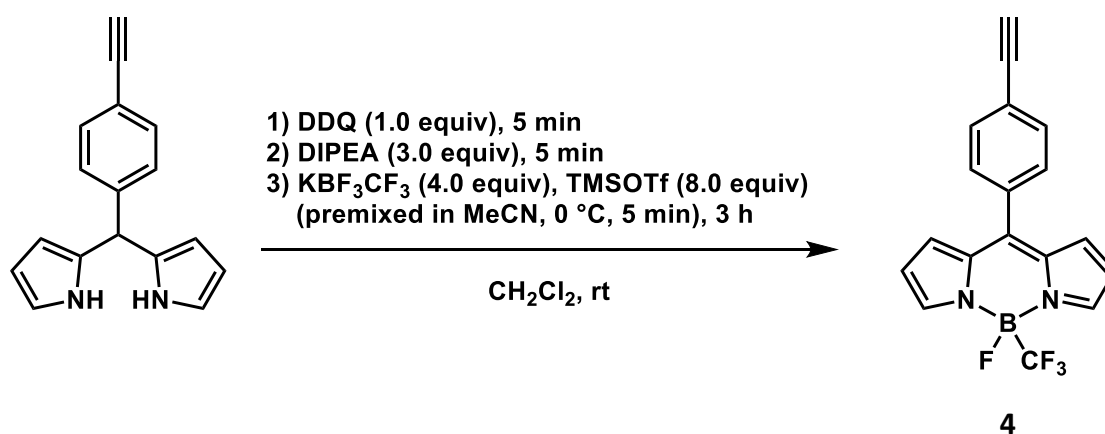
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Synthesis of compound 4

DDQ (175.2 mg, 0.77 mmol) was added to 5-(4-ethynylphenyl)dipyrromethane^{S1} (190.0 mmol, 0.77 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) chilled in an ice bath. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and then *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (403 μL, 2.3 mmol) was added. After stirring at 0 °C for 5 min, an acetonitrile solution (2 mL) of potassium trifluoro(trifluoromethyl)borate (543.2 mg, 3.1 mmol) and trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (1.1 mL, 6.1 mmol), premixed at room temperature for 5 min, was added and then the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The mixture was washed with water, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtrated, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography with hexane/CH₂Cl₂ to afford the title compound (36.9 mg, 14%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.99 (brs, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J*=8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J*=8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J*=4.0 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (dd, *J*=4.0, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 3.27 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 126 MHz): δ 146.77, 145.89, 134.37, 133.88, 132.33, 131.93, 130.59, 125.22, 119.35, 82.60, 80.19; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, 370 MHz): δ -77.85 (s, 3F), -175.00 (m, 1F); ¹¹B NMR (CDCl₃, 126 Hz): δ -3.05; HRMS (ESI⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₁BF₄N₂Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺: 365.0849. Found 365.0848.



[S1] P. D. Rao, et al., *J. Org. Chem.*, 2000, **65**, 7323.

Table S1 Photophysical properties of BODIPYs 1–3

solvent	BODIPY	λ_{abs} (nm)	$\log \epsilon$ ($\text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$)	λ_{em} (nm)	ϕ^{d}
cyclohexane	1 ^a	508	4.96	514	1
	2	509	5.08	513	0.99
	3	510	4.84	514	1
toluene	1 ^a	511	4.89	519	0.82
	2	509	5.06	515	0.72
	3	510	4.94	516	0.75
chloroform	1 ^a	508	4.95	516	0.9
	2	508	5.06	514	0.7
	3	509	4.87	515	0.75
methanol	1 ^b	504	4.91	509	0.80
	2 ^c	502	4.95	509	0.83
	3	503	4.94	509	0.82
DMF	1 ^a	503	4.88	512	0.99
	2	503	5.16	510	0.95
	3	504	4.8	511	0.97

^aN. A. Bumagina, et al., *Spectrochim. Acta, Part A*, 2017, **173**, 228; ^bref 14; ^cref 3; ^dcalculated using fluorescein (0.86 in 0.1 N NaOH solution).

Table S2 Crystallographic data for **2**

2	
CCDC	1889593
formula	C ₁₄ H ₁₅ BF ₄ N ₂
formula weight	298.13
crystal color, habit	red, block
crystal system	Monoclinic
space group	<i>P</i> 12 ₁ / <i>n</i> 1
Lattice Parameters	a = 7.87143(14) Å b = 10.70505(19) Å c = 17.4437(3) Å α = 90.00 ° β = 104.4010(10) ° γ = 90.00 ° V = 1423.69(4) Å ³
Z value	4
D _{calc}	1.386 g/cm ³
F ₀₀₀	612
μ(CuKα)	10.25 cm ⁻¹
no. observations	2606
no. parameters	190
R1 (<i>I</i> > 2.00σ(<i>I</i>))	0.0498
wR2 (all reflections)	0.1218
GOF on F ²	0.992
R _{int}	0.0707

(1) Least Squares function minimized:

$$\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 \quad \text{where } w = \text{Least Squares weights.}$$

(2) Standard deviation of an observation of unit weight:

$$[\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / (No - Nv)]^{1/2} \quad \text{where: } No = \text{number of observations} \\ Nv = \text{number of variables}$$

(3) Least squares weights:

$$w = 1 / [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0650P)^2 + 1.0000P] \quad \text{where } P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2) / 3$$

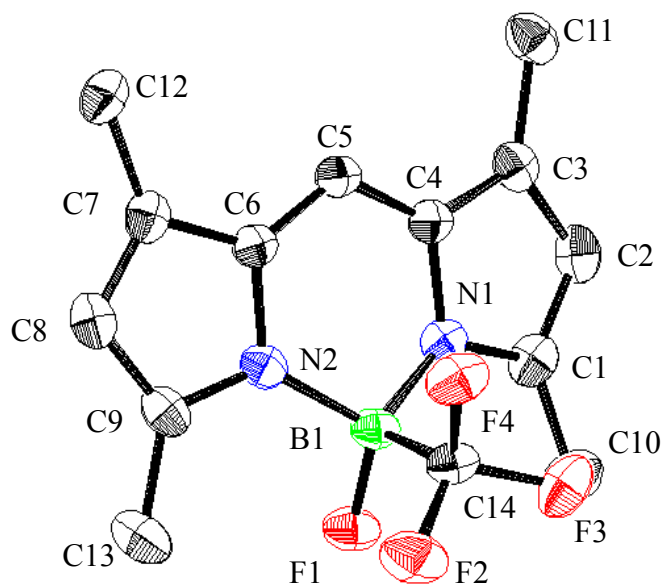


Table S3 Selected bond lengths [Å]

atom	atom	distance	atom	atom	distance
F1	B1	1.389(2)	C2	C3	1.379(3)
F2	C14	1.358(2)	C3	C4	1.414(3)
F3	C14	1.355(2)	C3	C11	1.497(3)
F4	C14	1.355(2)	C4	C5	1.385(2)
N1	C1	1.356(2)	C5	C6	1.383(3)
N1	C4	1.400(2)	C6	C7	1.417(2)
N1	B1	1.545(2)	C7	C8	1.380(3)
N2	C9	1.354(2)	C7	C12	1.496(3)
N2	C6	1.398(2)	C8	C9	1.401(3)
N2	B1	1.553(2)	C9	C13	1.491(3)
C1	C2	1.398(3)	C14	B1	1.647(3)
C1	C10	1.494(3)			

Table S4 Selected angles [°]

atom	atom	atom	angle	atom	atom	atom	angle
C1	N1	C4	107.26(15)	C8	C7	C6	105.93(16)
C1	N1	B1	129.37(15)	C8	C7	C12	128.38(17)
C4	N1	B1	122.94(14)	C6	C7	C12	125.67(17)
C9	N2	C6	107.58(15)	C7	C8	C9	108.79(16)
C9	N2	B1	129.64(15)	N2	C9	C8	109.02(17)
C6	N2	B1	122.45(14)	N2	C9	C13	123.77(17)
N1	C1	C2	109.17(16)	C8	C9	C13	127.20(18)
N1	C1	C10	123.79(18)	F3	C14	F4	104.66(14)
C2	C1	C10	126.99(18)	F3	C14	F2	104.21(15)
C3	C2	C1	108.81(16)	F4	C14	F2	104.66(15)
C2	C3	C4	105.97(16)	F3	C14	B1	114.35(15)
C2	C3	C11	128.09(17)	F4	C14	B1	113.78(15)
C4	C3	C11	125.94(17)	F2	C14	B1	114.07(14)
C5	C4	N1	120.04(16)	F1	B1	N1	111.30(15)
C5	C4	C3	130.91(16)	F1	B1	N2	112.34(15)
N1	C4	C3	108.79(15)	N1	B1	N2	107.15(14)
C6	C5	C4	122.24(16)	F1	B1	C14	108.27(15)
C5	C6	N2	120.54(15)	N1	B1	C14	108.96(15)
C5	C6	C7	130.43(16)	N2	B1	C14	108.75(14)
N2	C6	C7	108.68(16)				

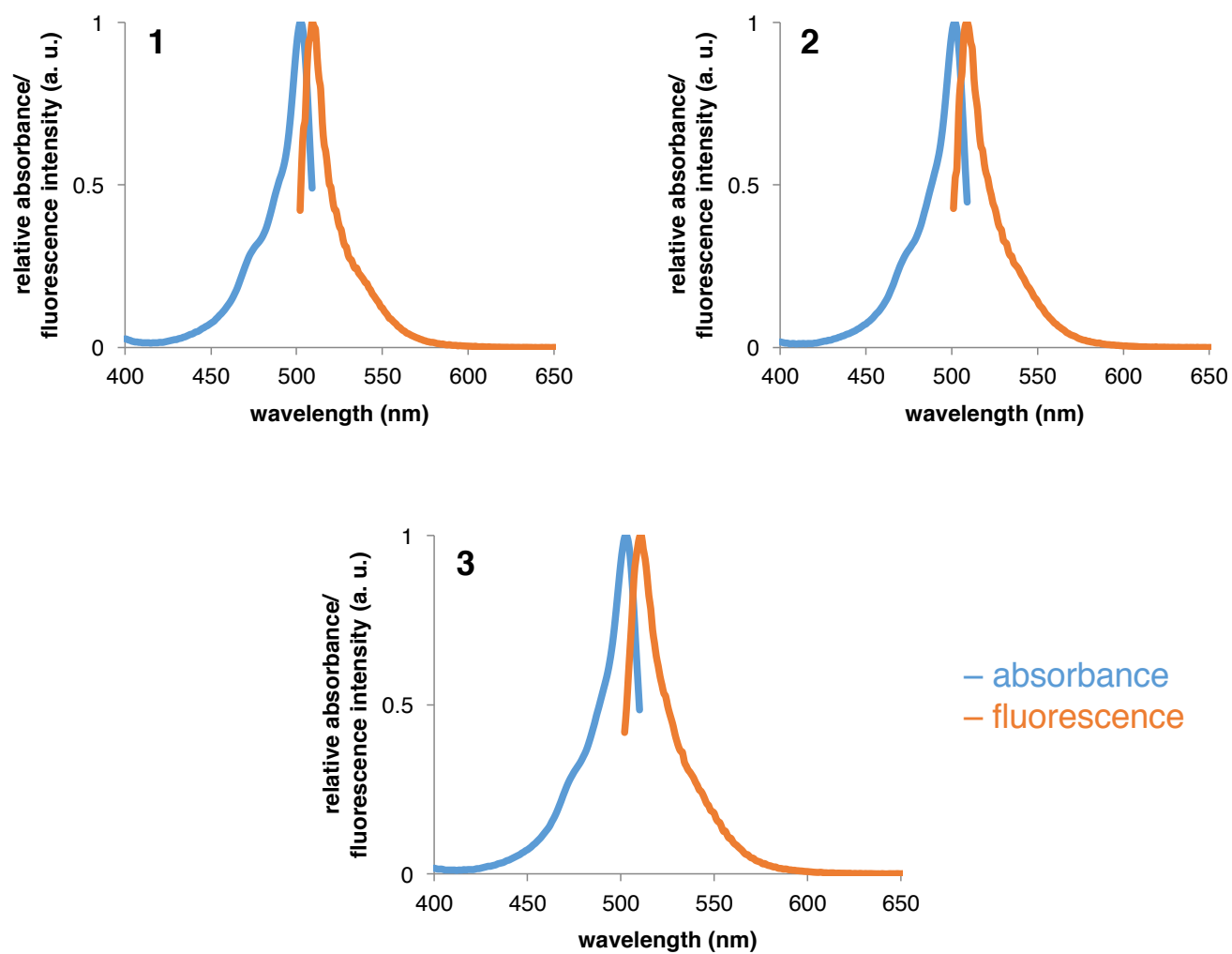


Fig. S1 Absorbance and fluorescence spectra of 1–3.

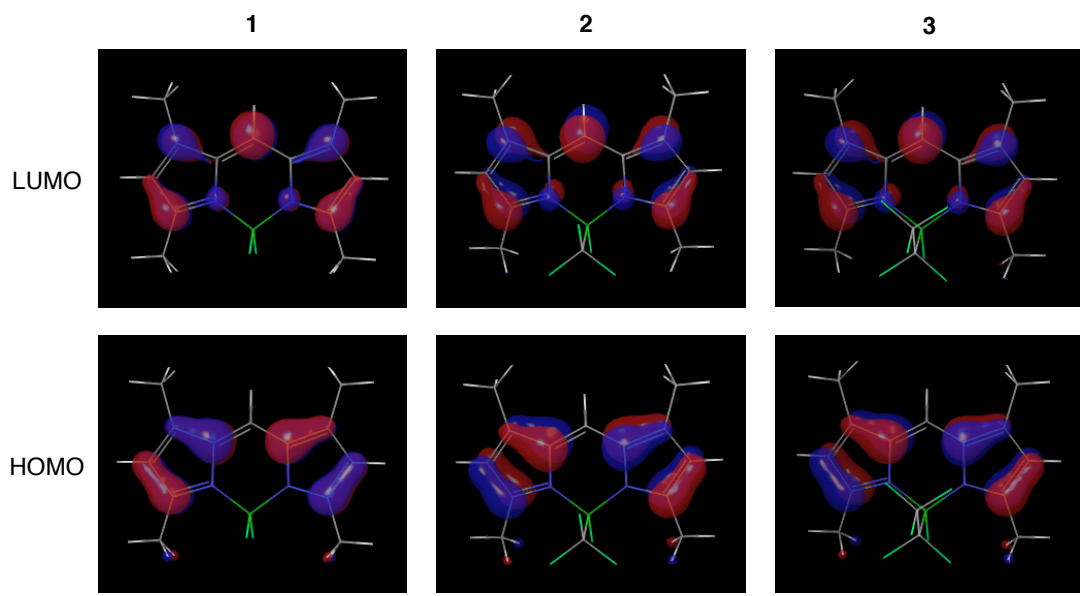


Fig. S2 HOMO and LUMO distributions of 1–3.

potential [V] vs Ag/AgCl

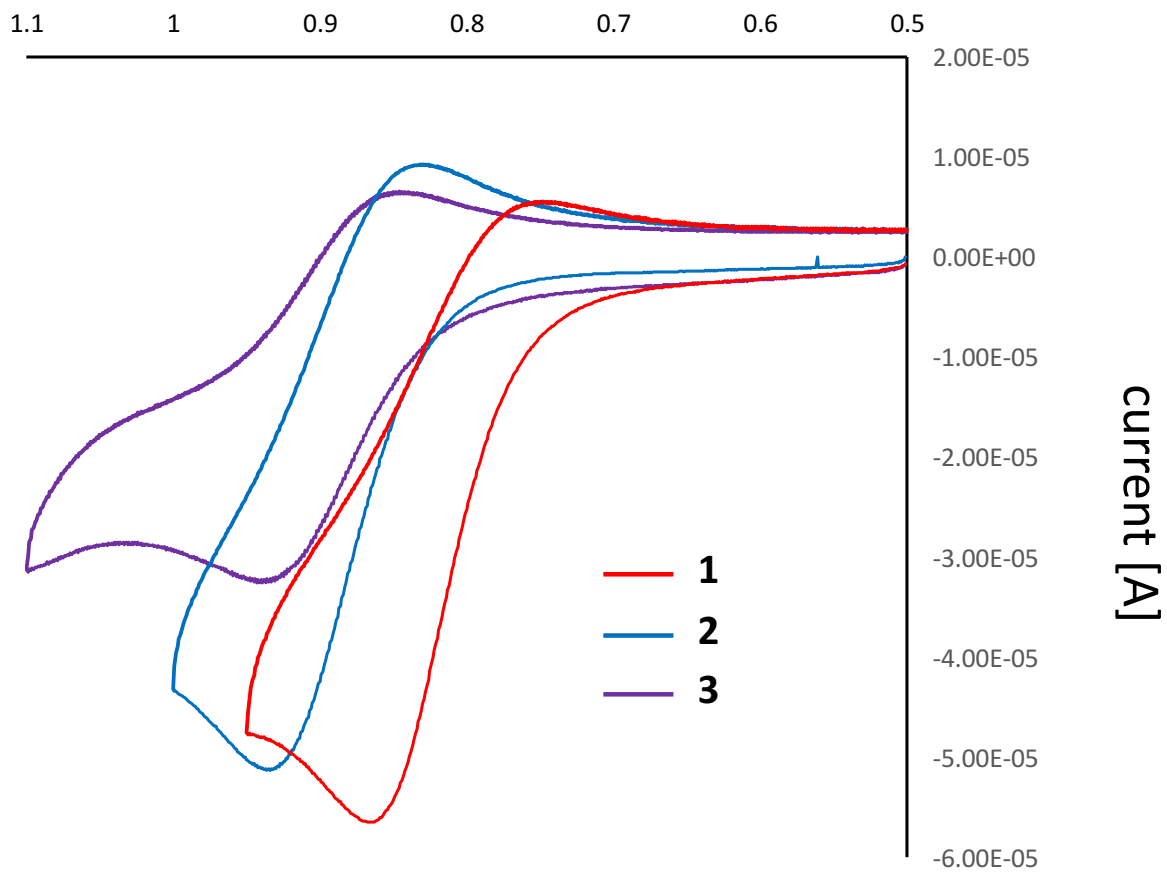
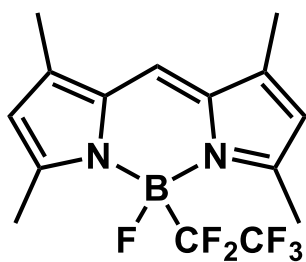
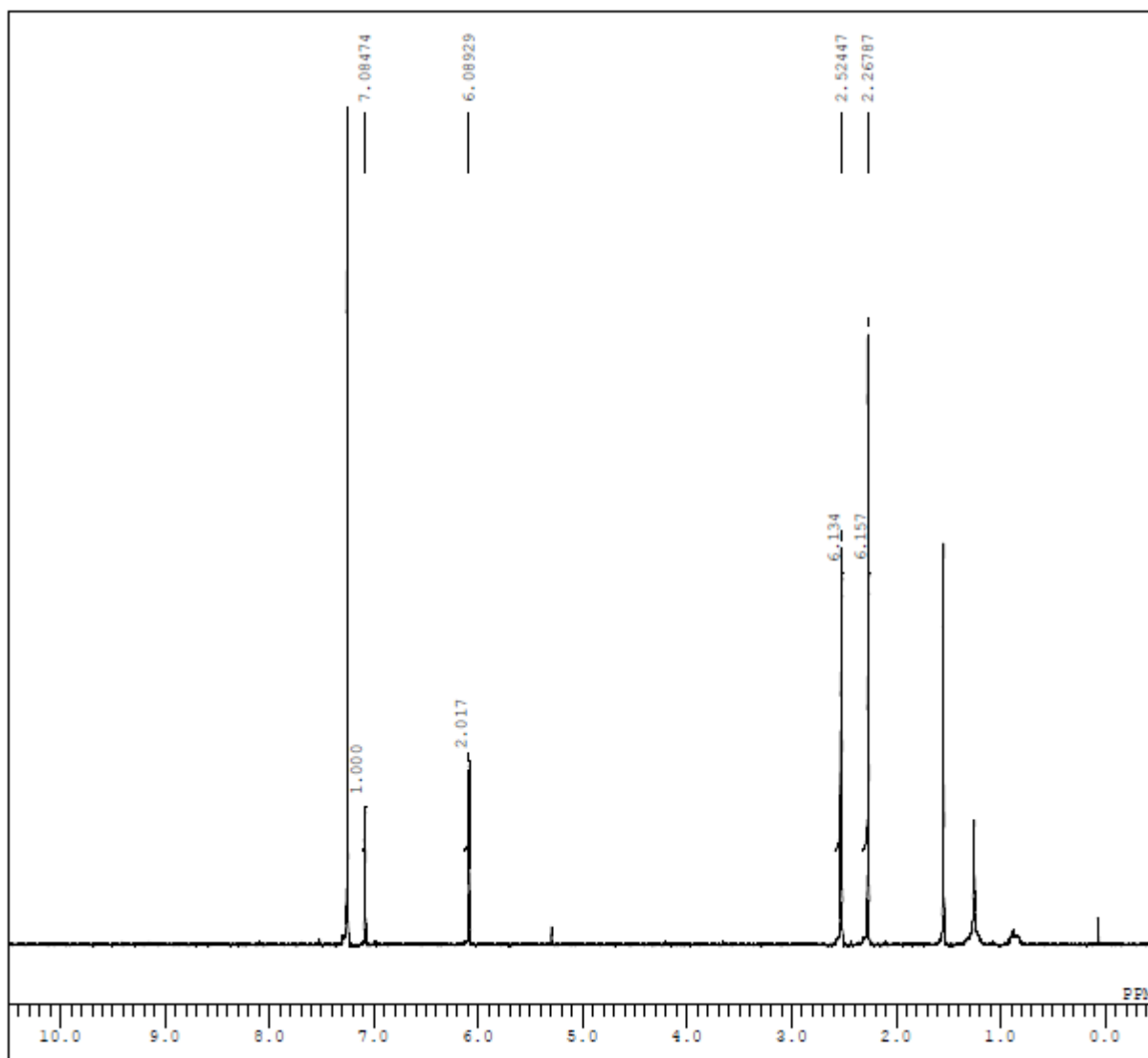
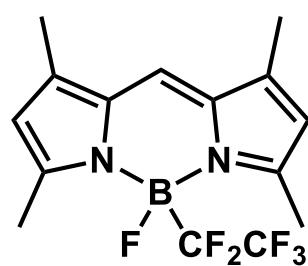
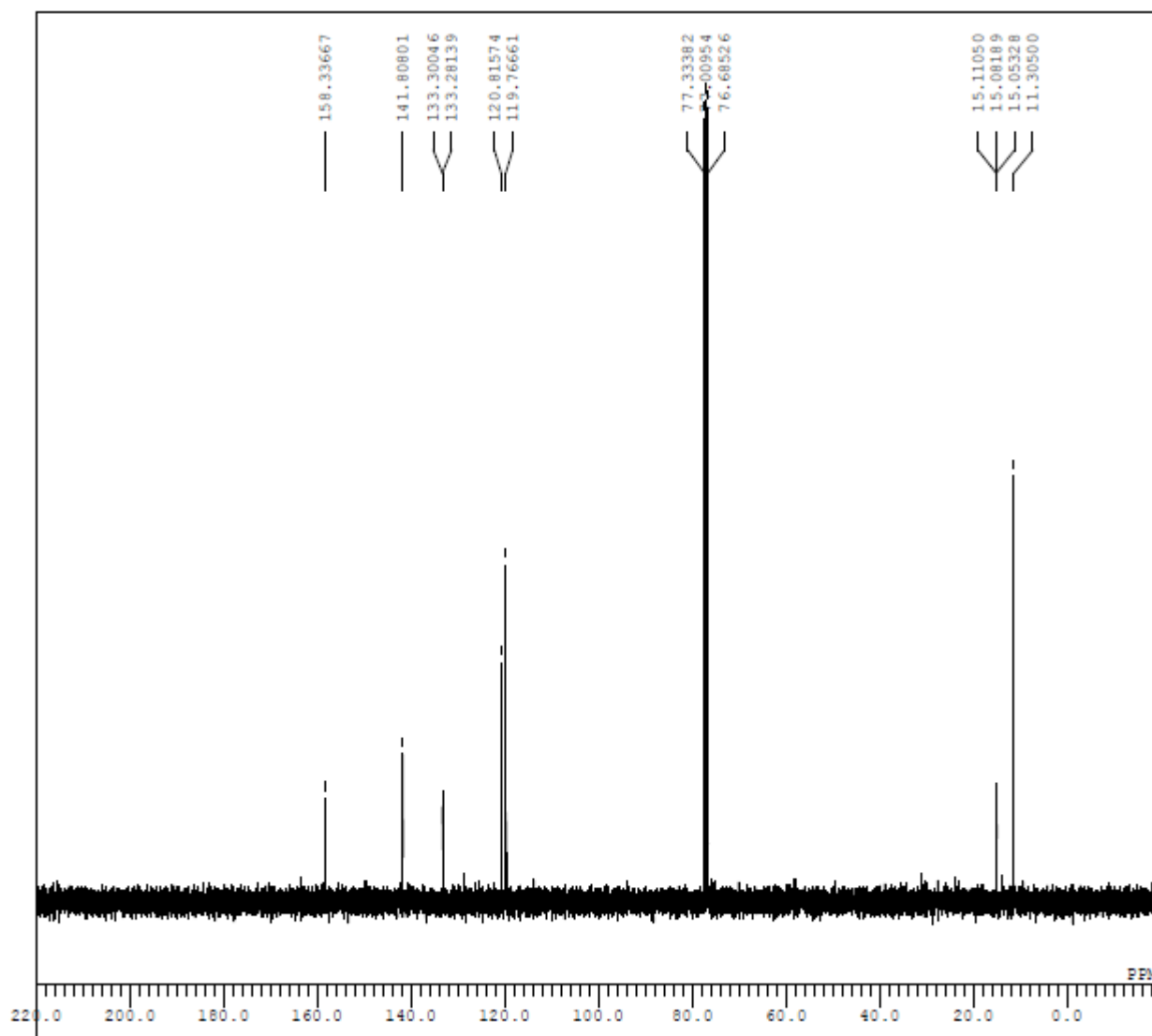


Fig. S3 Cyclic voltammograms of 1–3.

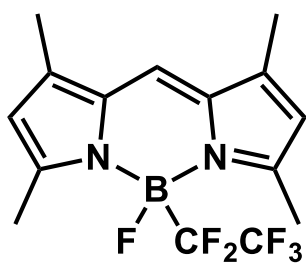
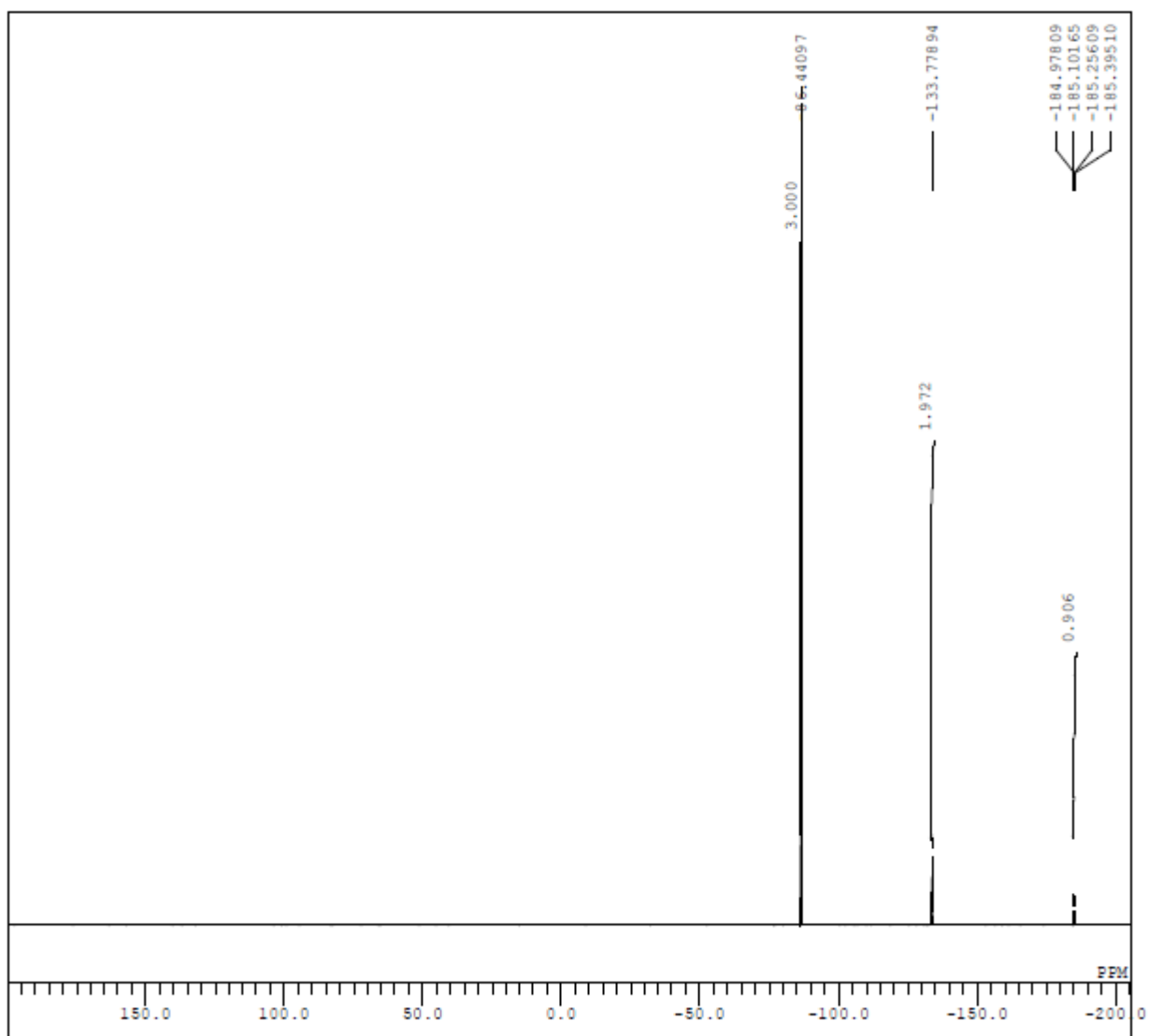
NMR spectrum



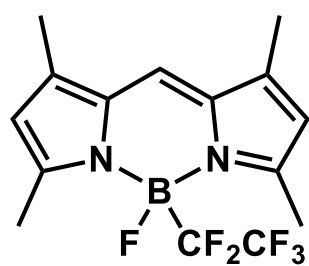
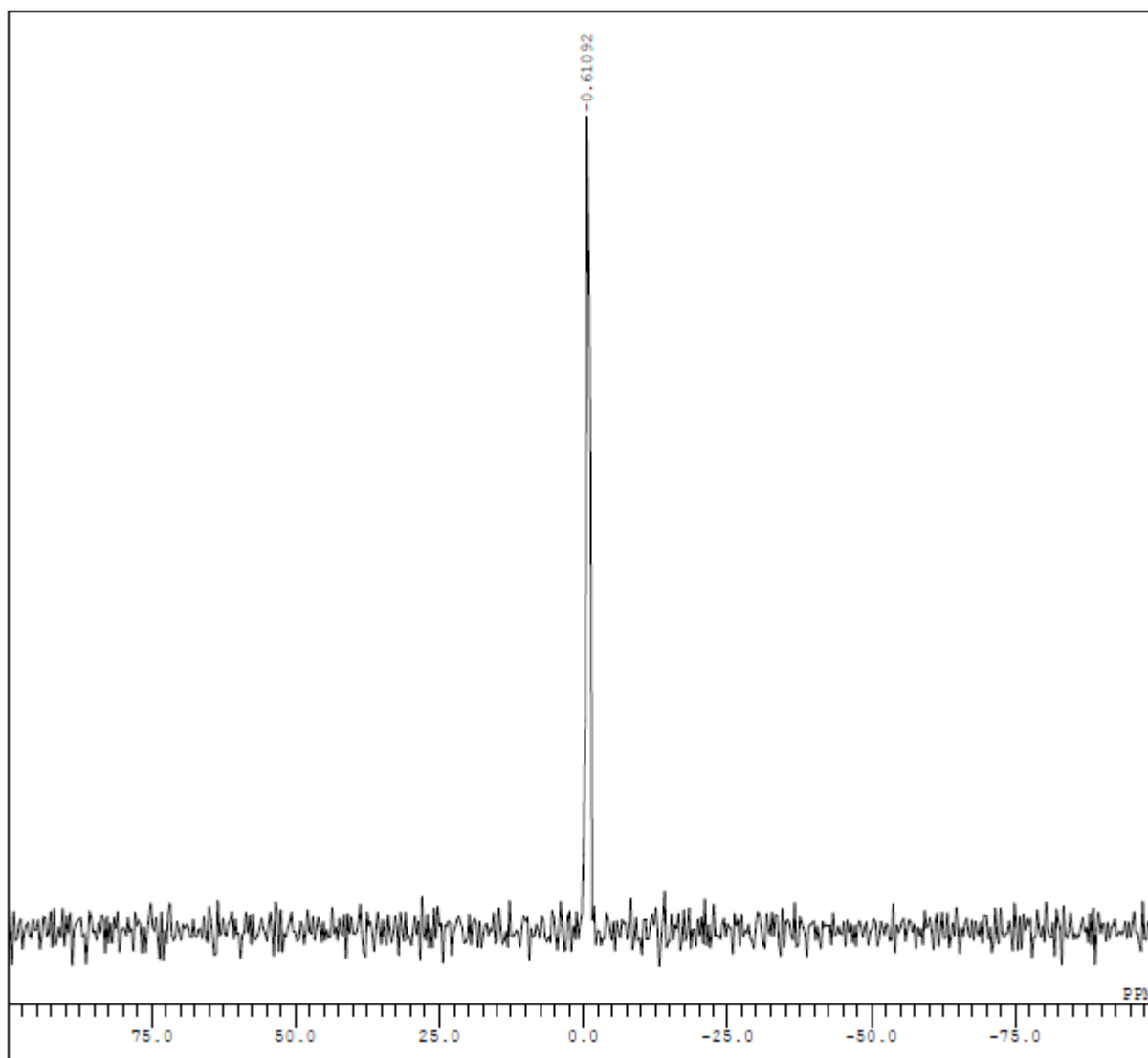
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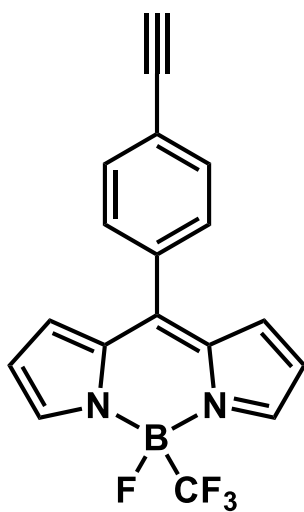
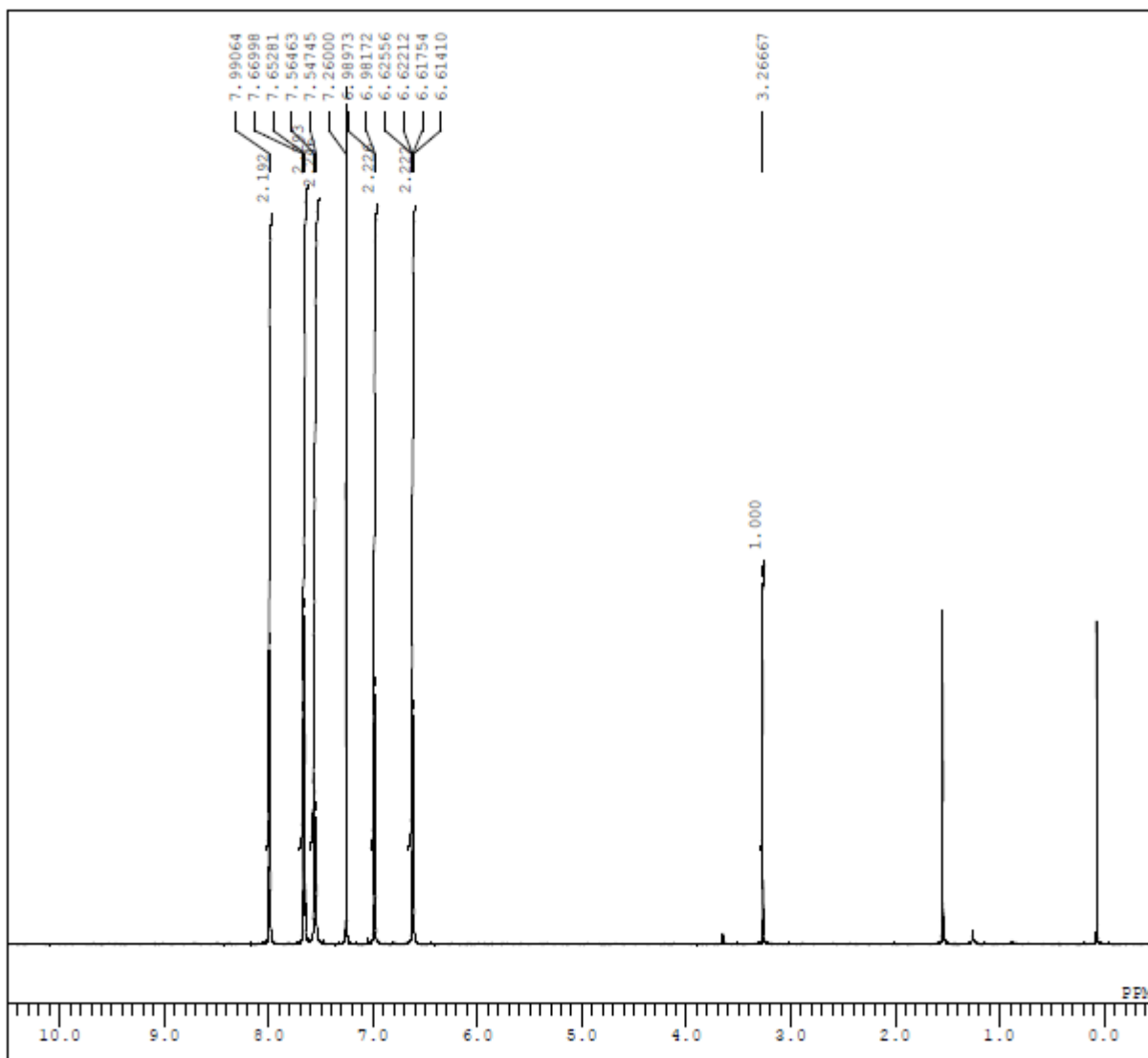
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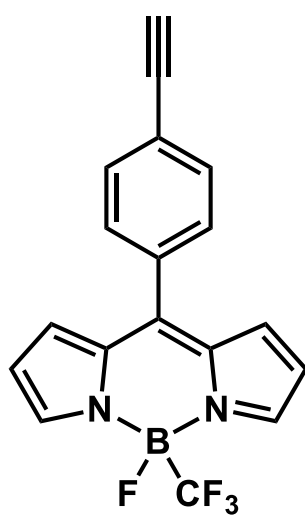
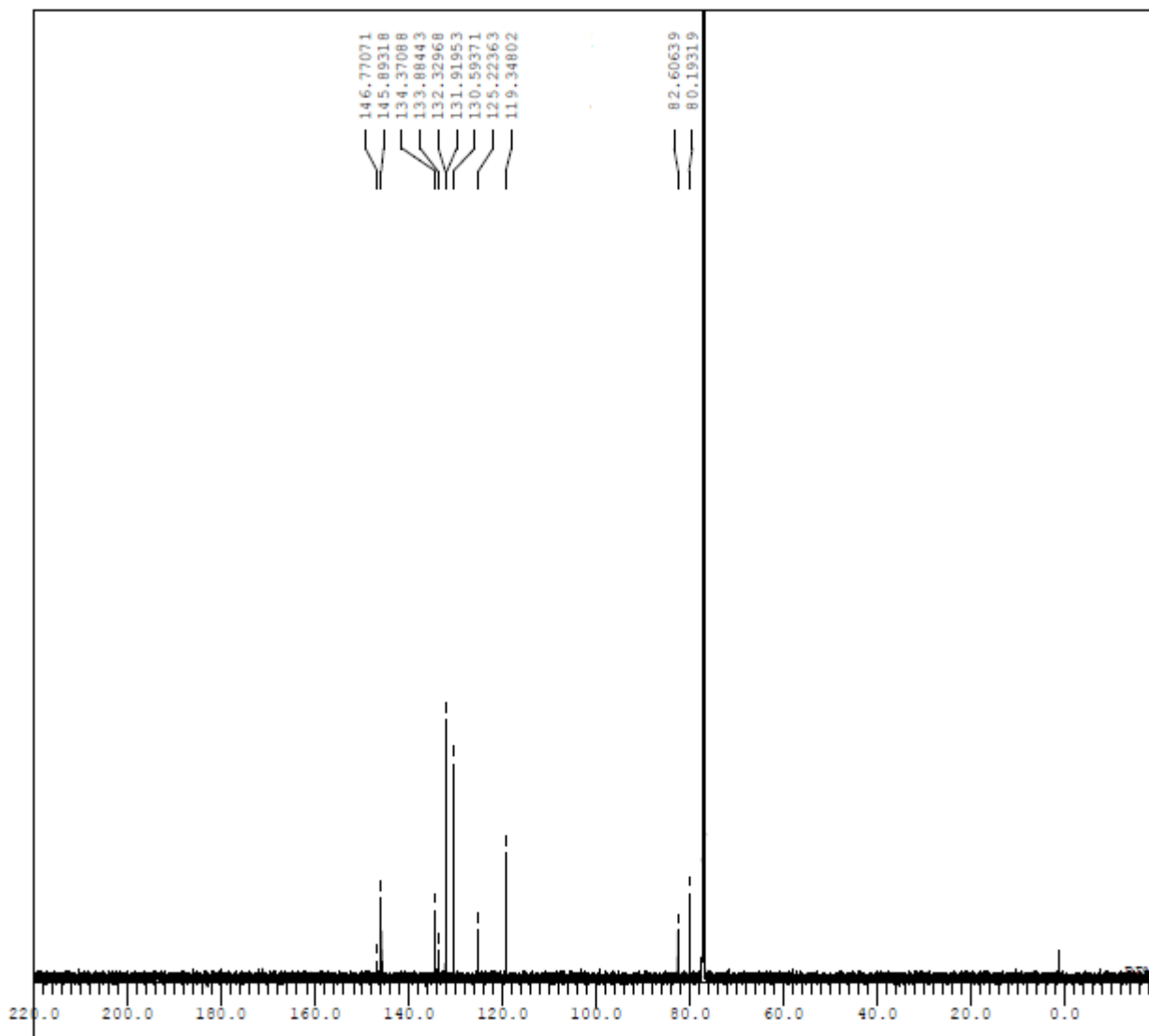
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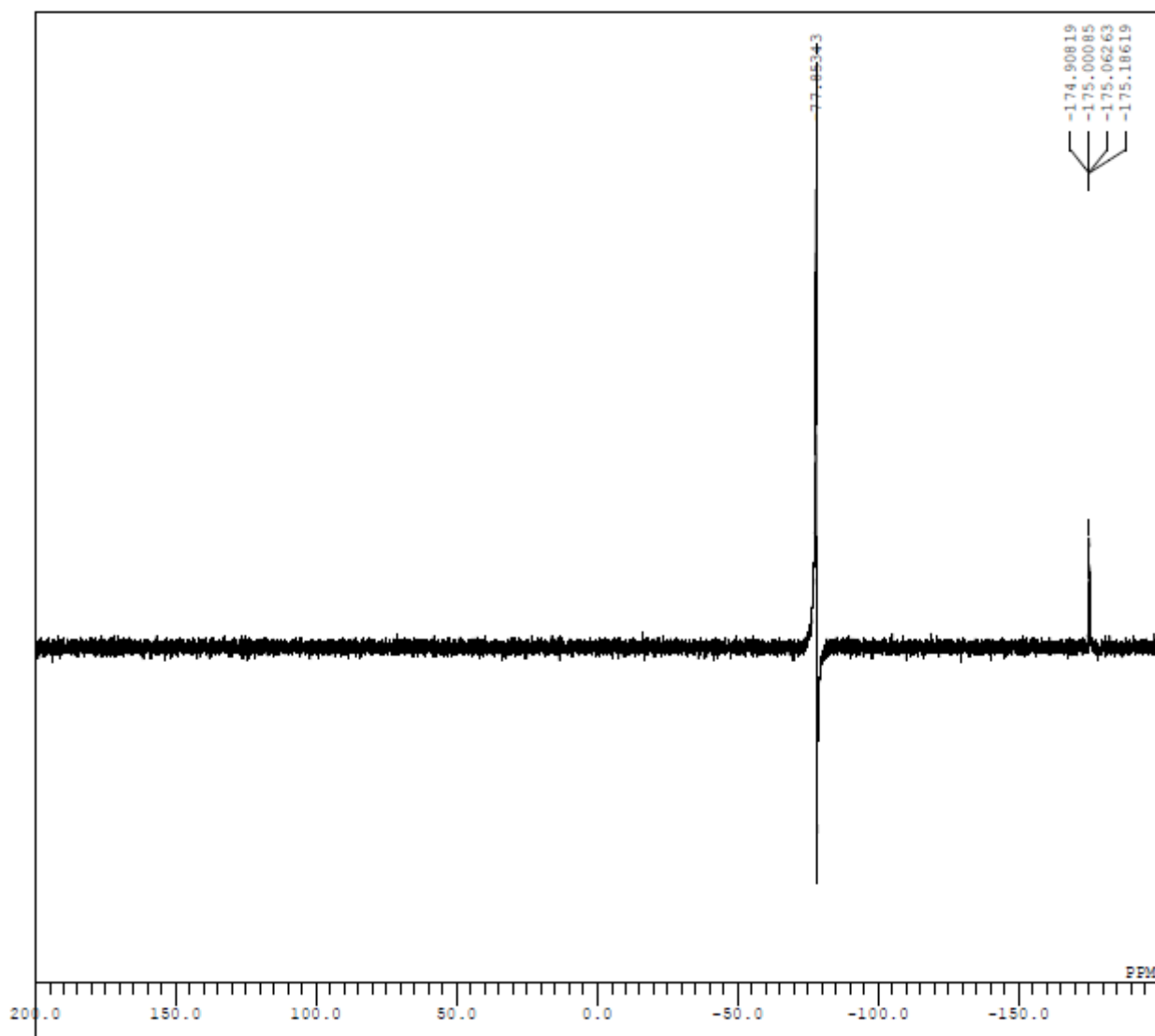
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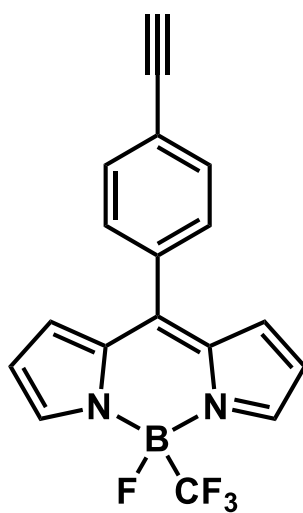
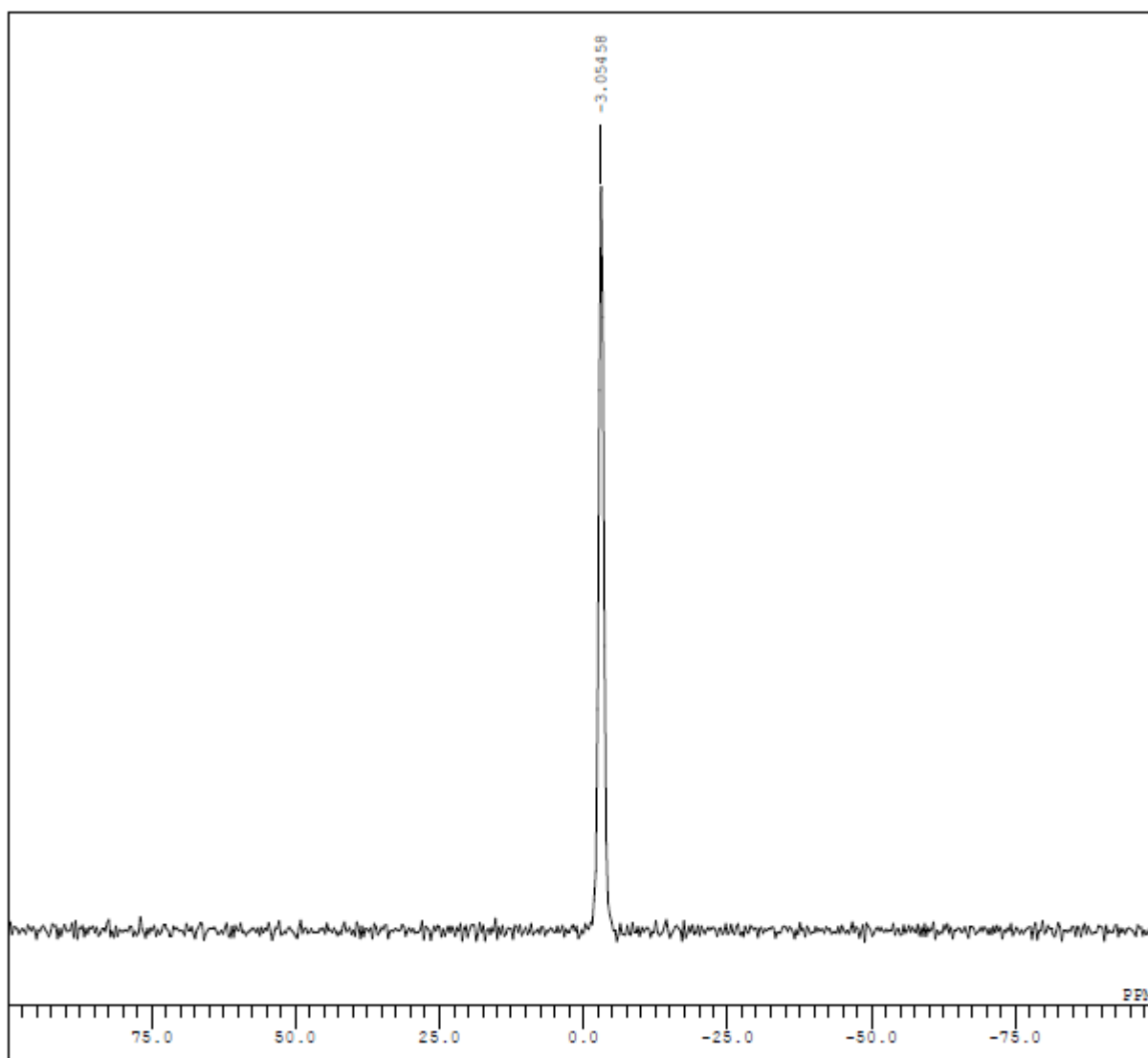
¹H NMR spectrum



¹³C NMR spectrum



¹⁹F NMR spectrum



^{11}B NMR spectrum