

# **Non-symmetric thieno[3, 2-b]thiophene-fused BODIPYs: Synthesis, Spectroscopic properties and providing a functional strategy for NIR probes**

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## **Supporting Information**

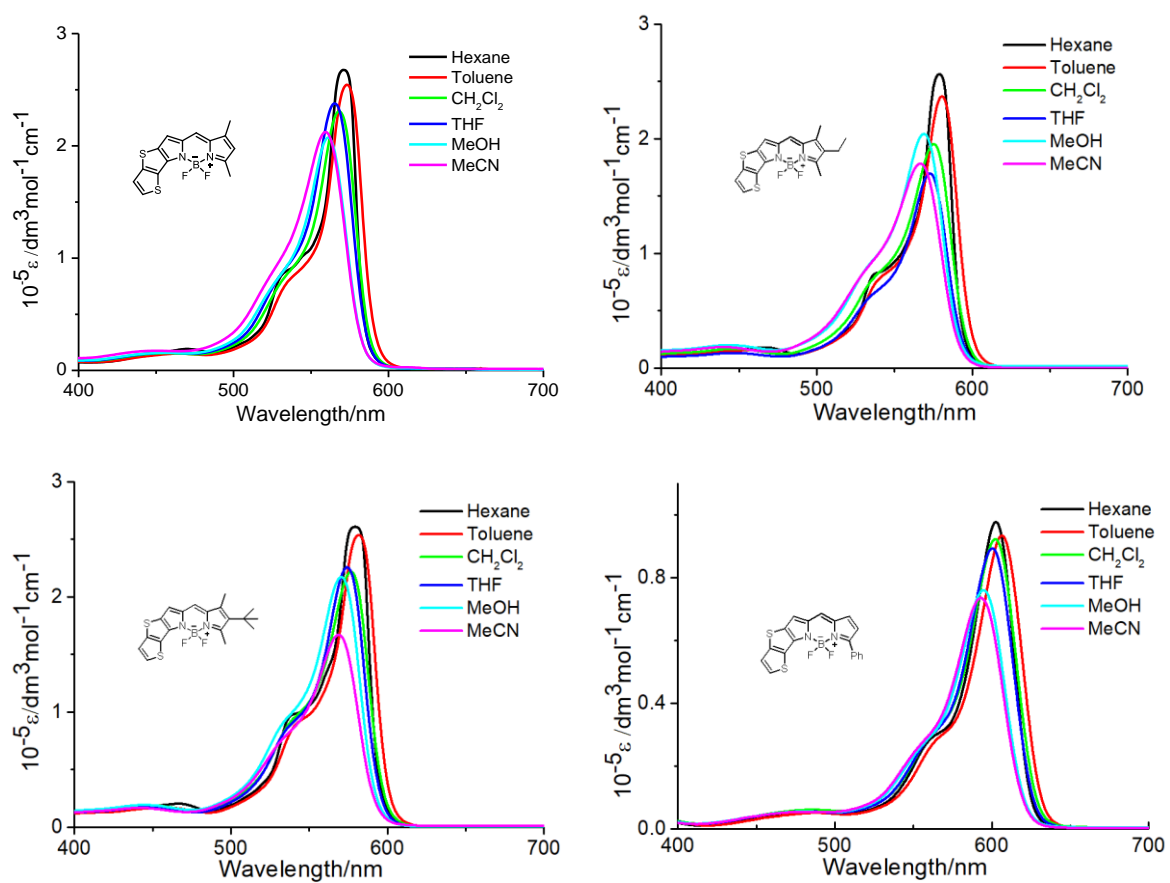
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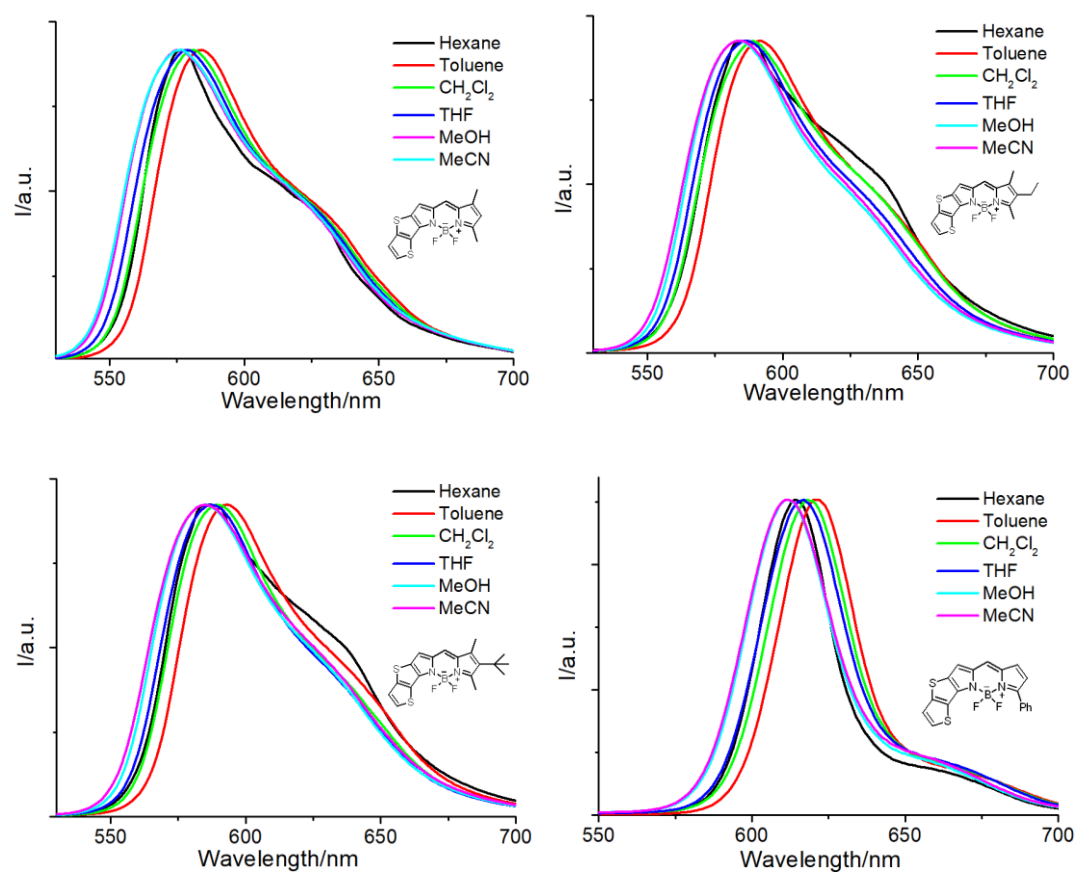
## Experimental Details

All reagents come from commercial suppliers and are not further purified for use unless otherwise specified.  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  was distilled with calcium hydride. THF and toluene were dried and distilled with sodium metal.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were obtained using a Bruker DRX400 spectrometer and referenced to the residual proton signals of the solvent. HR-MS were obtained by a Bruker Daltonics microTOF-Q II spectrometer. All the solvents employed for the spectroscopic measurements were of UV spectroscopic grade (Aldrich).

## Spectroscopic measurements

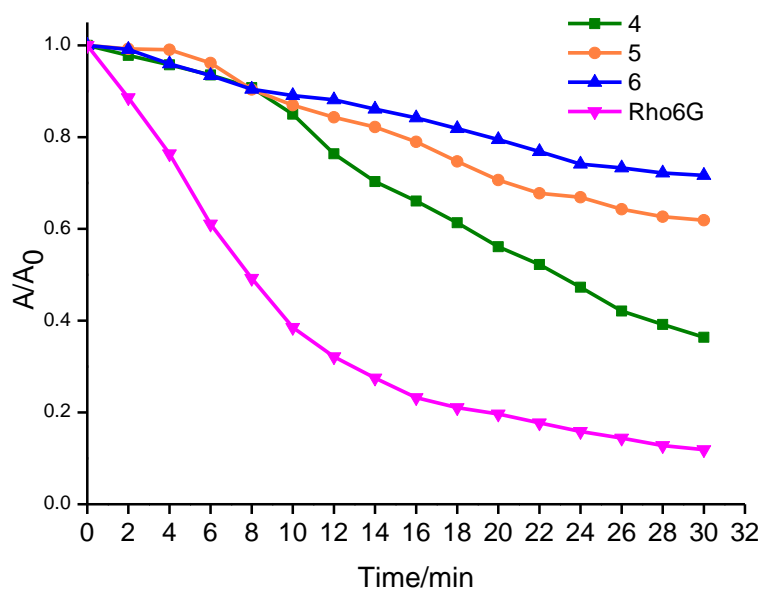


**Fig S1.** The absorption spectra of **4-7** in hexane, toluene,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , THF, MeOH, MeCN.

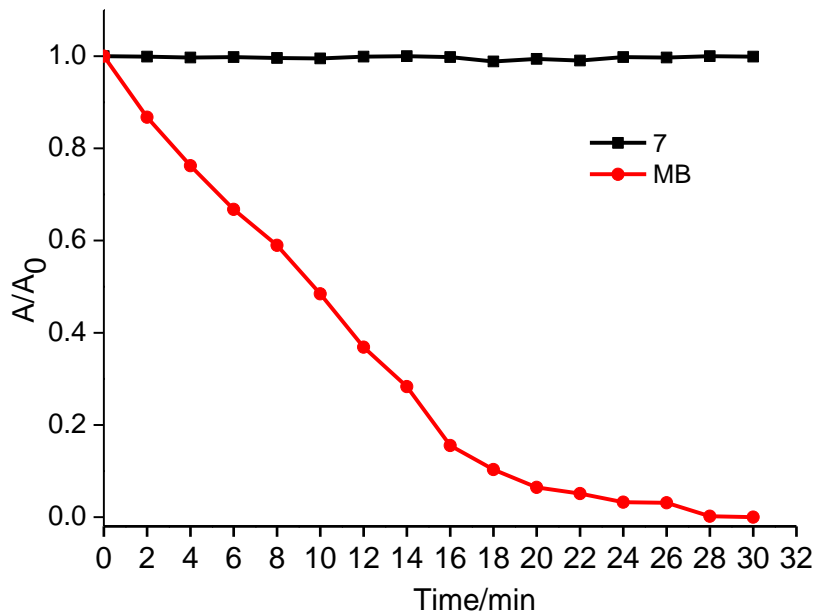


**Fig S2.** The emission spectra of **4-7** in hexane, toluene, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, THF, MeOH, MeCN

## Photostability

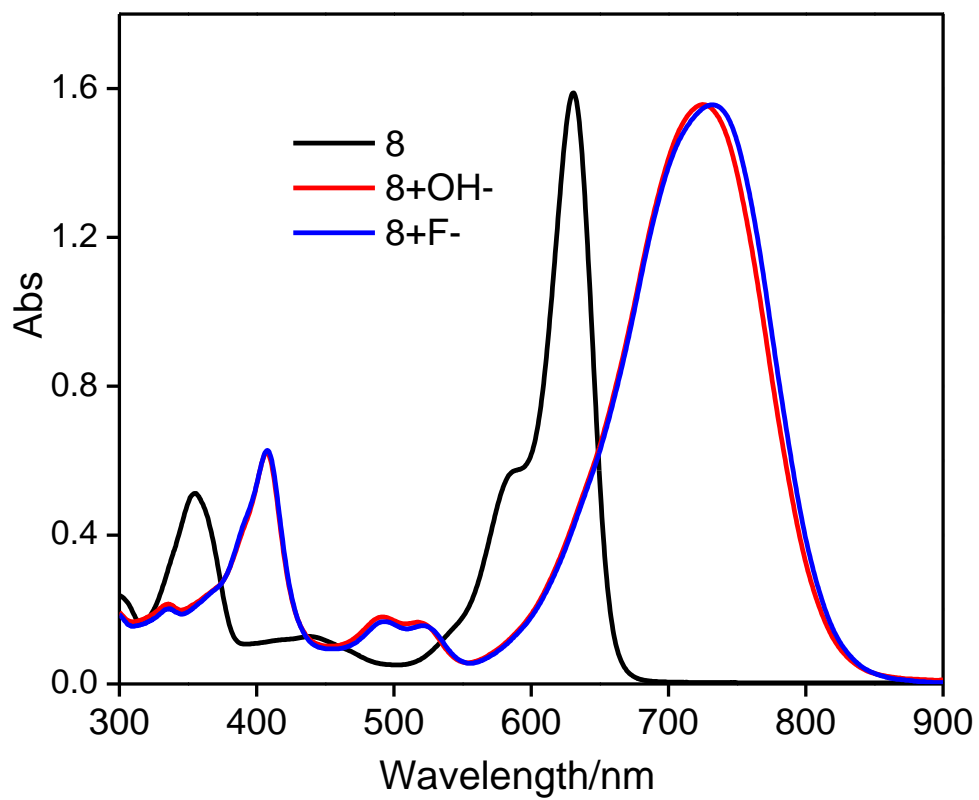


**Fig. S3** Photostability of **4-6** and Methylene Blue (MB) in dichloromethane at 2 min intervals determined using a laser beam (525 nm,  $1.5 \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ ) over an irradiation period of 30 min ( $c = 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ , 298 K).



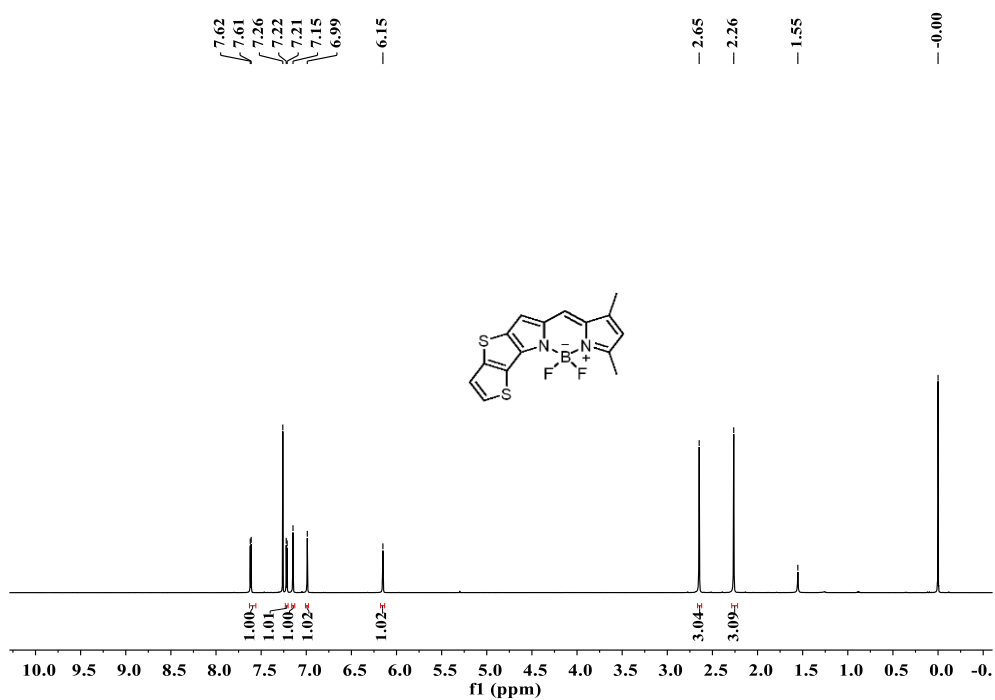
**Fig. S4** Photostability of **7** and Methylene Blue (MB) in dichloromethane at 2 min intervals determined using a laser beam (635 nm,  $660 \text{ mW cm}^{-2}$ ) over an irradiation period of 30 min ( $c = 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ , 298 K).

## The sensing properties of compounds **8**

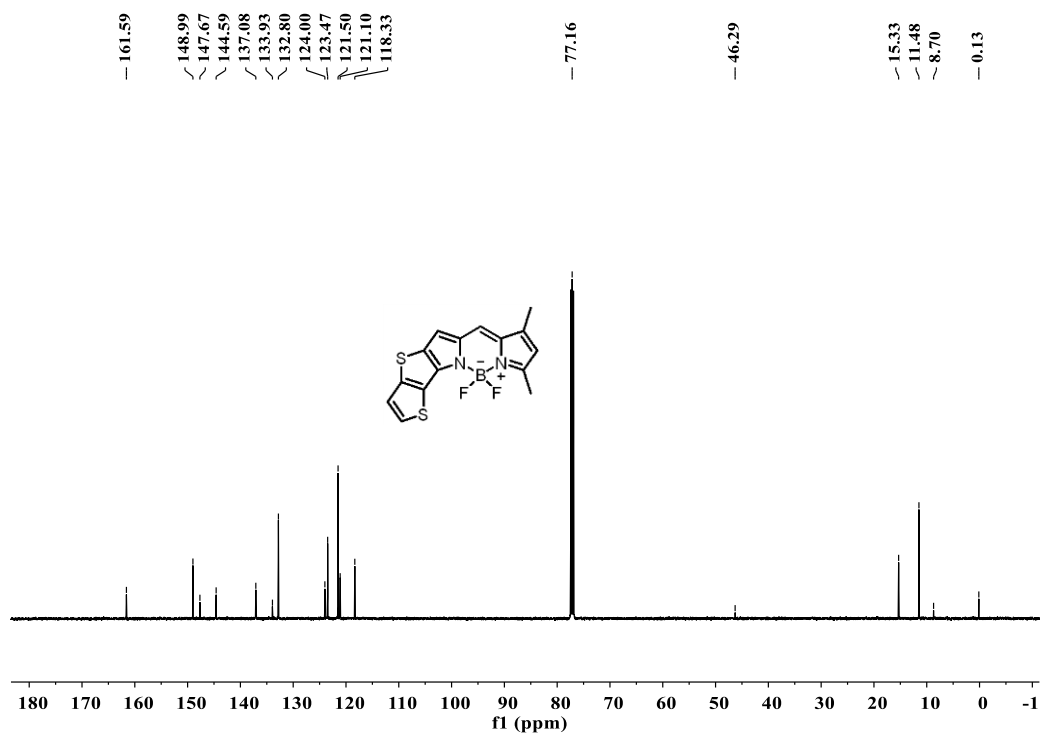


**Fig S5.** The absorption spectra of **8** (10 mM) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN after the addition of 20 eq. of OH<sup>-</sup> or F<sup>-</sup>

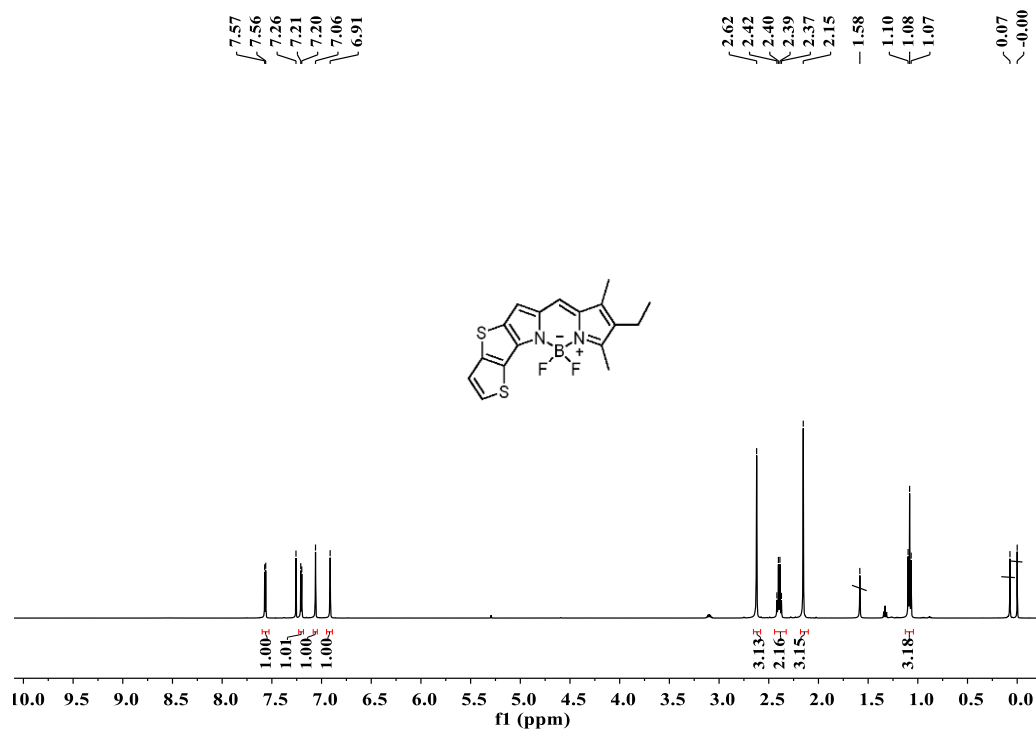
# $^1\text{H}$ and $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR spectra



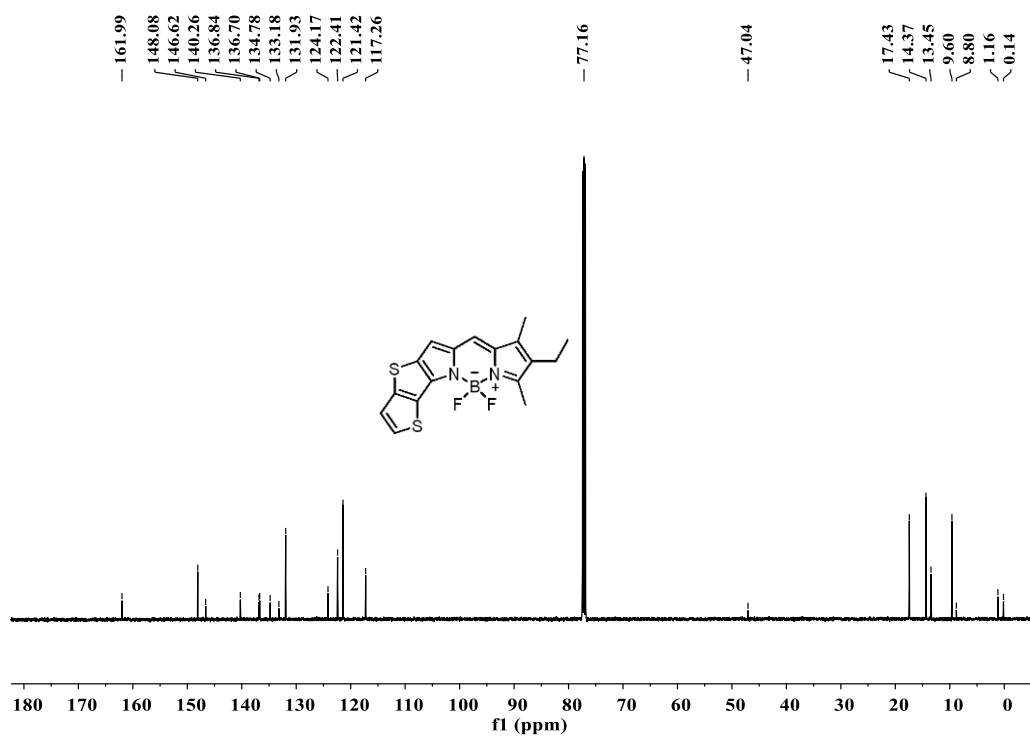
**Fig. S6**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of compound **4** recorded in  $\text{CDCl}_3$



**Fig. S7**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of compound **4** recorded in  $\text{CDCl}_3$



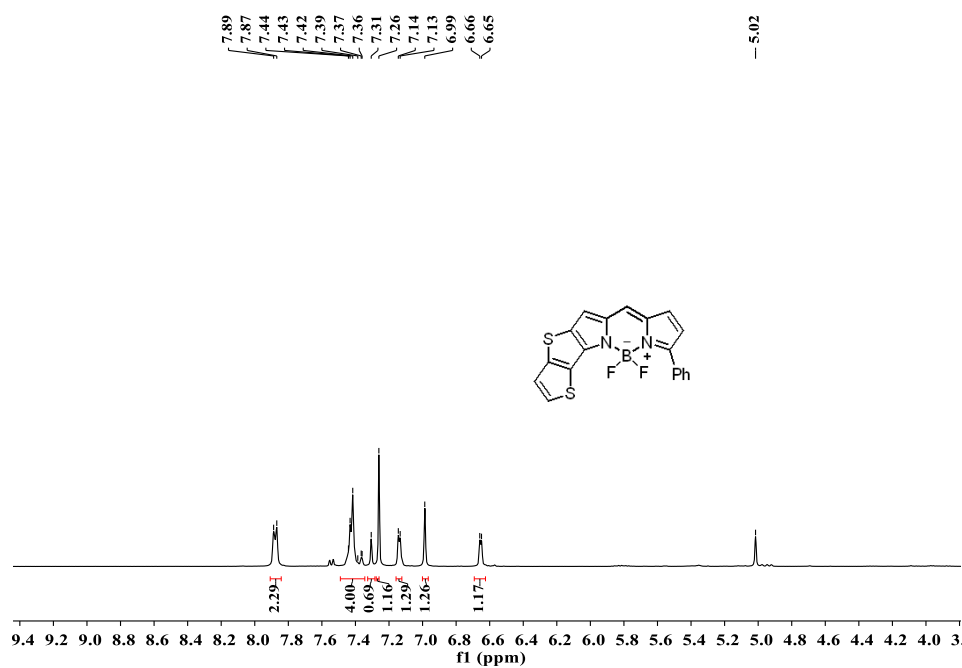
**Fig. S8** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound **5** recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



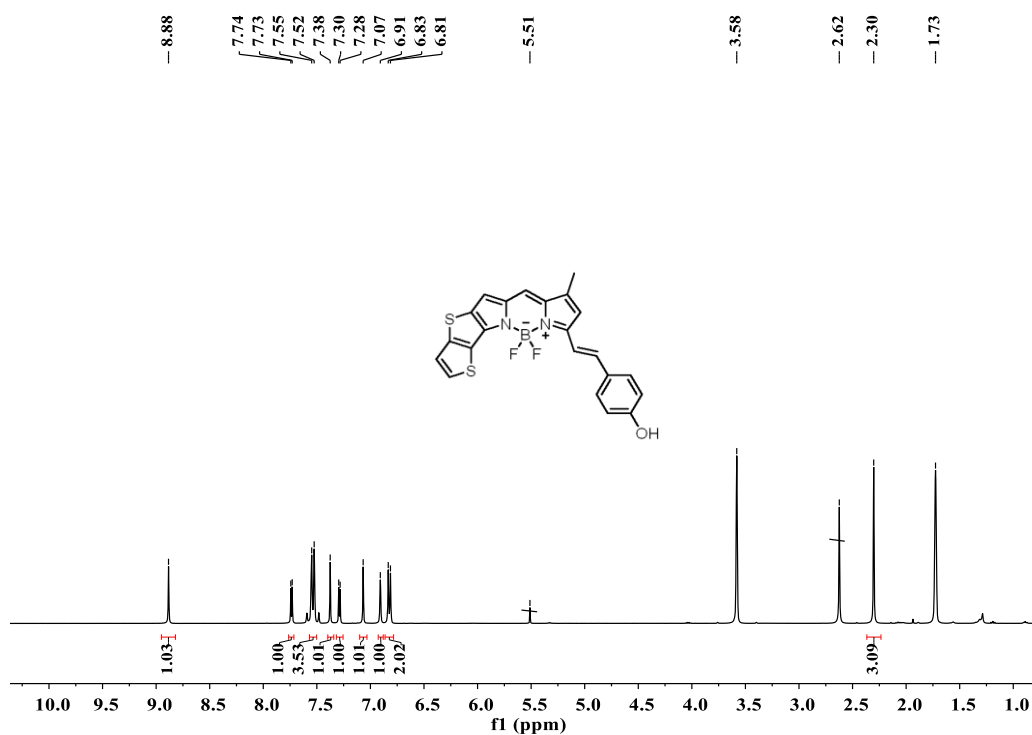
**Fig. S9** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **5** recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



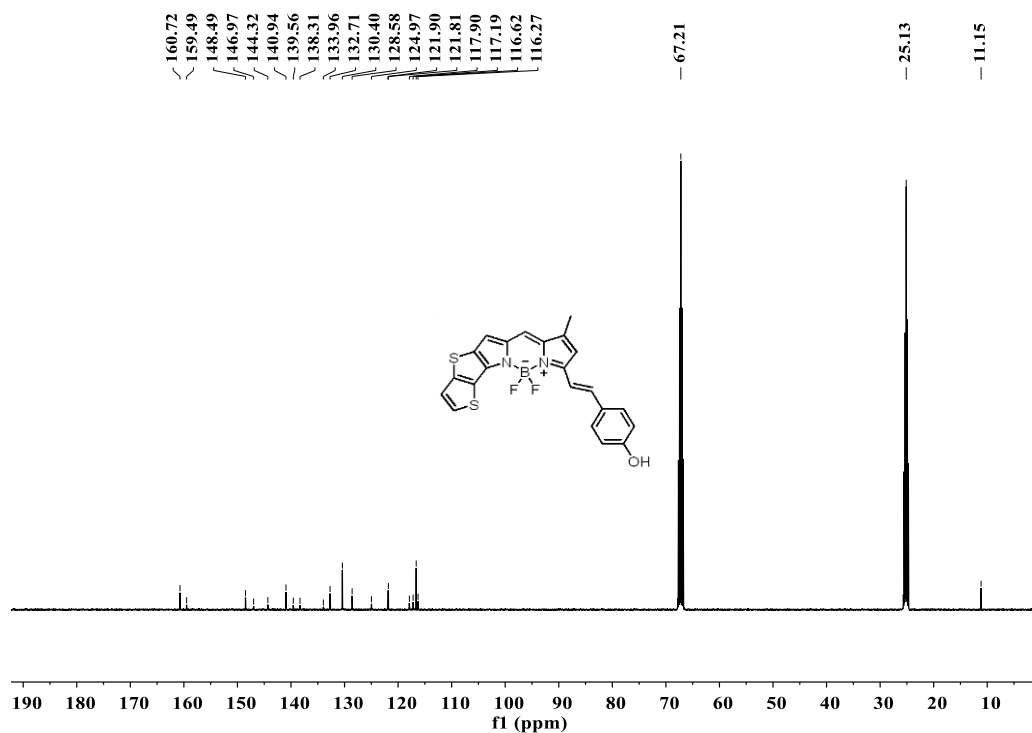




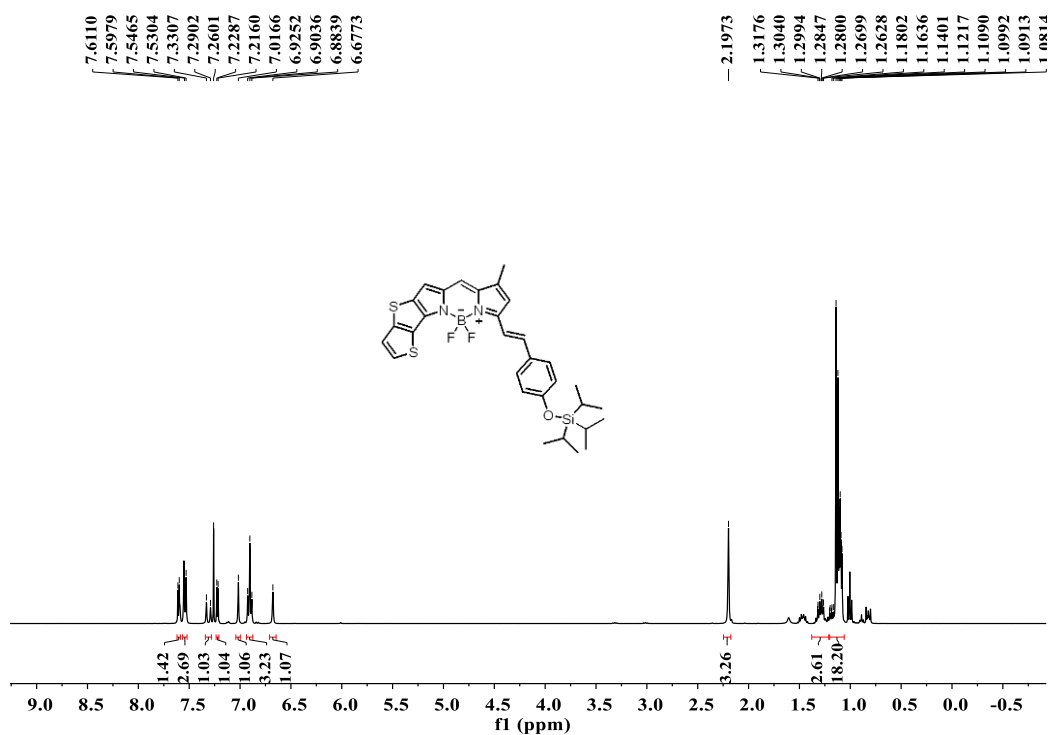
**Fig. S12** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound **7** recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



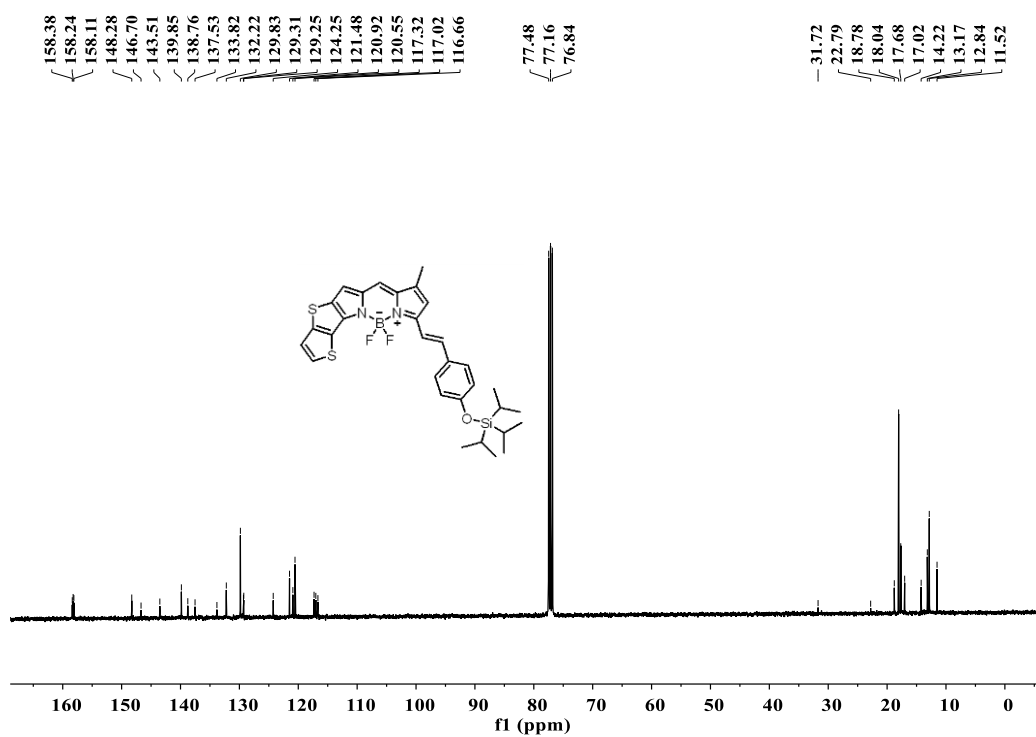
**Fig. S13** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound **8** recorded in THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>



**Fig. S14** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **8** recorded in THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>



**Fig. S15** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound **9** recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**Fig. S16** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **9** recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

## HRMS-ESI spectra

