

Luminescent materials containing multiple benzoxaphosphole units

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1. General considerations

All operations were performed under nitrogen atmosphere, using Schlenk line or within a Vacuum Atmospheres MBraun glove box unless otherwise stated. Tetrahydrofuran, hexanes, and toluene were dried by distillation from sodium benzophenone ketyl. Triethylamine was purified by distillation and degassed with nitrogen prior to use. Hexanes was dried by passing through neutral alumina column and degassed with nitrogen prior to use for UV-vis and fluorescence measurements. Dichloromethane was dried by distillation from CaH₂ prior to use for UV-vis and fluorescence measurements. Terephthaloyl chloride, naphthalene-2,6-dicarbonyl dichloride, thiophene-2,5-dicarbonyl dichloride and 1,3,5-benzenetricarbonyl trichloride were prepared according to the literature.¹ 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-2-phosphinophenol was synthesized by published procedure.² ¹H, ¹³C{¹H} and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian INOVA AS-400 or 600 spectrometers, and all chemical shifts are referred to residual CHCl₃ signals (for ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra) or to an external sample of 85% H₃PO₄ (for ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra). Melting points were measured on a Mel-temp melting point apparatus. High resolution mass spectrometry was performed by the University of Michigan Mass Spectrometry facility using a VG (Micromass) 70-250-S magnetic sector spectrometer. UV-Vis and fluorescence data were recorded using a Cary 50 Bio UV-Visible spectrophotometer and a Cary Eclipse spectrometer, respectively. Excitation wavelengths were chosen for fluorescence measurements to be at the adsorption maxima for each compound. Anthracene in ethanol was used as the quantum yield standard for **4**, 9,10-diphenylanthracene in cyclohexane was used as the quantum yield standard for **1** and **2**, and fluorescein in 0.1 M NaOH was used as the quantum yield standard for **3**.³

2. Experimental

1,4-Bis(4',6'-di-*tert*-butylbenzoxaphospholy)benzene (1)

To a solution of 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-2-phosphinophenol (1.3 g, 5.5 mmol) in 10 mL THF was added triethylamine (0.77 mL, 5.5 mmol), followed by a solution of terephthaloyl chloride (0.57 g, 2.8 mmol) in 10 mL THF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight to give a yellow cloudy solution. A white precipitate was removed by filtration and the solvent was removed under vacuum to yield a yellow solid. The solid was dissolved in 10 mL toluene, and the solution was refluxed for 72 hours to yield a yellow cloudy solution. After the reaction was cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under vacuum to give a yellow solid. The solid was extracted with hexanes and then the solution was passed through basic alumina twice to give a yellow solution. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* to yield a yellow solid. Yield: 0.43 g (27%). mp: 225-227 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07 (s, 4H, Ar), 7.65 (s, 2H, Ar), 7.33 (s, 2H, Ar), 1.61 (s, 18H, *t*-Bu), 1.42 (s, 18H, *t*-Bu). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (161 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 93.3 (s, 1P). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 192.4 (d, *J*_{pc} = 55.5 Hz), 161.5, 151.4, 135.4, 135.3, 130.8 (d, *J*_{pc} = 46.5 Hz), 125.0, 117.4, 108.1, 37.0, 35.3, 31.5, 31.1. UV (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{max}/nm 418, 437sh (ε/M⁻¹·cm⁻¹ 11305, 9205). Fluorescence (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{em}/nm 462, 485sh. Quantum Yield (CH₂Cl₂): Φ 0.31. HRMS (EI, 70 ev): m/z 570.2813 (Calc. 570.2817).

2,6-Bis(4',6'-di-*tert*-butylbenzoxaphospholy)naphthalene(2)

To a solution of 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-2-phosphinophenol (1.4 g, 5.9 mmol) in 10 mL THF was added triethylamine (0.83 mL, 5.9 mmol), followed by a solution of naphthalene-2,6-dicarbonyl dichloride (0.75 g, 3.0 mmol) in 10 mL THF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight to produce a yellow cloudy solution. A white precipitate was removed by filtration and the solvent was removed under vacuum to yield a yellow solid. The solid was dissolved in 10 mL toluene, and the solution was refluxed

for 72 hours to give a yellow cloudy solution. After the reaction was cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed *in vacuo* to give a yellow solid. The solid was extracted with hexanes and then the solution was passed through basic alumina to give a yellow solution. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give a yellow solid. Yield: 0.37 g (20%). mp: 309-312 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.46 (s, 2H, Ar), 8.15 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.93 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.69 (s, 2H, Ar), 7.34 (s, 2H, Ar), 1.63 (s, 18H, *t*-Bu), 1.43 (s, 18H, *t*-Bu). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (161 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 95.0 (s, 1P). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 192.8 (d, *J*_{pc} = 55.5 Hz), 161.6, 151.5, 151.4, 133.9, 132.8, 132.7, 130.7 (d, *J*_{pc} = 43.5 Hz), 129.2, 124.2, 122.5, 117.4, 108.1, 37.0, 35.3, 31.5, 31.1. UV (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{max}/nm 412, 438sh (ε/M⁻¹·cm⁻¹ 11570, 10194). Fluorescence (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{em}/nm 462sh, 473. Quantum Yield (CH₂Cl₂): Φ 0.50. HRMS (EI, 70 ev): m/z 620.2959 (Calc. 620.2973).

2,5-Bis(4',6'-di-*tert*-butylbenzoxaphospholy)thiophene (3)

To a solution of 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-2-phosphinophenol (1.0 g, 4.2 mmol) in 10 mL THF was added triethylamine (0.59 mL, 4.2 mmol), followed by a solution of thiophene-2,5-dicarbonyl dichloride (0.44 g, 2.1 mmol) in 10 mL THF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight to produce a brown cloudy solution. A white precipitate was removed by filtration and the solvent was removed under vacuum to yield a red solid. The solid was dissolved in 10 mL toluene, and the solution was refluxed overnight to give a red solution. After the reaction was cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under vacuum to give a red solid. The solid was extracted with hexanes and then the solution was passed through basic alumina three times to give a red solution. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* to yield a red solid. Yield: 0.19 g (16%). mp: 178-182 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.62 (s, 2H, Ar), 7.58 (s, 2H, Ar), 7.31 (s, 2H, Ar), 1.59 (t, 18H, *t*-Bu), 1.41 (s, 18H, *t*-Bu). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (161 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 91.2 (s, 1P). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 185.8 (d, *J*_{pc} = 52.5 Hz), 160.8, 151.5, 151.4, 138.7, 130.9 (d, *J*_{pc} = 48 Hz), 125.9, 117.6, 108.0, 37.0, 35.3, 31.5, 31.1. UV (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{max}/nm 457 (ε/M⁻¹·cm⁻¹ 32283). Fluorescence (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{em}/nm 533. Quantum Yield (CH₂Cl₂): Φ 0.12. HRMS (EI, 70

ev): m/z 576.2401 (Calc. 576.2381).

1,3,5-Tris(4',6'-di-*tert*-butyl-benzoxaphospholy)benzene (4)

To a solution of 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-2-phosphinophenol (1.0 g, 4.2 mmol) in 10 mL THF was added triethylamine (0.59 mL, 4.2 mmol), followed by a solution of 1,3,5-benzenetricarbonyl trichloride (0.37 g, 1.4 mmol) in 10 mL THF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight to produce a yellow cloudy solution. A white precipitate was removed by filtration and the solvent was removed under vacuum to yield a yellow solid. The solid was dissolved in 10 mL toluene, and the reaction was refluxed for 96 hours to produce a yellow cloudy solution. After the reaction was cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under vacuum to give a yellow solid. The solid was extracted with hexanes twice, and the combined filtrates were evaporated under vacuum to yield a yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography using hexanes as the eluant. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give a yellow solid. Yield: 0.21 g (18%). mp: > 320 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.65 (s, 3H, Ar), 7.78 (s, 3H, Ar), 7.37 (s, 3H, Ar), 1.65 (s, 27H, *t*-Bu), 1.45 (s, 27H, *t*-Bu). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (161 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 94.9 (s, 1P). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 192.0 (d, *J*_{pc} = 54.0 Hz), 161.6 (d, *J*_{pc} = 15.0 Hz), 151.5, 151.4, 135.9, 130.6 (d, *J*_{pc} = 45.0 Hz), 121.0, 117.5, 108.4, 37.0, 35.3, 31.5, 31.2. UV (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{max}/nm 362 (ε/M⁻¹·cm⁻¹ 28214). Fluorescence (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{em}/nm 437, 451sh. Quantum Yield (CH₂Cl₂): Φ 0.14. HRMS (EI, 70 ev): m/z 816.4010 (Calc. 816.3990).

3. X-ray crystallographic data

Single crystal X-ray details for compound **1** are accessible in the accompanying cif file (CCDC 1007938). For further details see Table S1-S5. A severely disordered solvent molecule (hexane) was located in the asymmetric unit, but modeling it proved impossible. The solvent contributions were treated using SQUEEZE which found 37 electrons corresponding to approximately one molecule of hexane; it is included in the formula and the computation of the intensive properties.

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for **1**.

Empirical formula	C ₄₂ H ₅₈ O ₂ P ₂
Formula weight	656.82
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Triclinic
Space group	P-1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 6.5471(4) Å a = 100.773(2)° b = 10.5862(6) Å β = 101.934 (2)° c = 14.3323(9) Å γ = 107.345(2)°
Volume	895.07 (9) Å ³
Z	1
Calculated density	1.219 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.157 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	356
Crystal size	0.24×0.20×0.11 mm
θ range for data collection	1.51 to 26.49°
Limiting indices	-8 ≤ h ≤ 8, -11 ≤ k ≤ 13, -17 ≤ l ≤ 17
Reflections collected	11737
Completeness to θ = 26.49°	98.7 %
Absorption correction	Multi-Scan
Max. and min. transmission	0.9829 and 0.9633
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data/restraints/parameters	3677/0/187
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.002
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1=0.0352, wR2=0.1204
R indices (all data)	R1=0.0419, wR2=0.1273
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.347 and -0.175 e.Å ⁻³

Table S2 Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **1**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
P(1)	6622(1)	1916(1)	1593(1)	14(1)
O(1)	6088(2)	-663(1)	1499(1)	14(1)
C(1)	1405(2)	-3278(1)	3398(1)	22(1)
C(2)	1126(2)	-1875(1)	3620(1)	15(1)
C(3)	2477(2)	-889(1)	3122(1)	14(1)
C(4)	3685(2)	-1288(1)	2513(1)	14(1)
C(5)	4859(2)	-314(1)	2109(1)	13(1)
C(6)	7105(2)	438(1)	1179(1)	14(1)
C(7)	8548(2)	194(1)	564(1)	14(1)
C(8)	9326(2)	-900(1)	561(1)	16(1)
C(9)	9237(2)	1083(1)	-3(1)	16(1)
C(10)	1919(2)	-1260(2)	4745(1)	20(1)
C(11)	2513(2)	478(1)	3299(1)	14(1)
C(12)	3716(2)	1459(1)	2916(1)	12(1)
C(13)	4921(2)	1035(1)	2271(1)	13(1)
C(14)	3873(2)	2963(1)	3214(1)	14(1)
C(15)	3138(2)	3459(1)	2300(1)	18(1)
C(16)	2404(2)	3179(2)	3892(1)	20(1)
C(17)	6311(2)	3856(1)	3780(1)	20(1)
C(18)	-1358(2)	-2081(2)	3242(1)	21(1)

U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

Table S3 Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **1**.

P(1)-C(6)	1.7117(14)	C(9)-H(5)	0.9300
P(1)-C(13)	1.7951(13)	C(10)-H(2)	0.9600
O(1)-C(6)	1.3701(16)	C(10)-H(17)	0.9600
O(1)-C(5)	1.3769(15)	C(10)-H(18)	0.9600
C(1)-C(2)	1.5334(19)	C(11)-C(12)	1.3812(18)
C(1)-H(15)	0.9600	C(11)-H(22)	0.9300
C(1)-H(1)	0.9600	C(12)-C(13)	1.4268(17)
C(1)-H(16)	0.9600	C(12)-C(14)	1.5366(18)
C(2)-C(10)	1.5344(19)	C(14)-C(16)	1.5358(18)
C(2)-C(18)	1.5381(18)	C(14)-C(15)	1.5387(19)
C(2)-C(3)	1.5404(17)	C(14)-C(17)	1.5424(19)
C(3)-C(4)	1.3825(17)	C(15)-H(8)	0.9600
C(3)-C(11)	1.4157(18)	C(15)-H(7)	0.9600
C(4)-C(5)	1.3880(18)	C(15)-H(6)	0.9600
C(4)-H(3)	0.9300	C(16)-H(9)	0.9600
C(5)-C(13)	1.3917(19)	C(16)-H(10)	0.9600
C(6)-C(7)	1.4625(17)	C(16)-H(11)	0.9600
C(7)-C(9)	1.3917(19)	C(17)-H(14)	0.9600
C(7)-C(8)	1.3978(19)	C(17)-H(12)	0.9600
C(8)-C(9)#1	1.3868(18)	C(17)-H(13)	0.9600
C(8)-H(4)	0.9300	C(18)-H(20)	0.9600
C(9)-C(8)#1	1.3868(18)	C(18)-H(21)	0.9600
C(18)-H(19)	0.9600	C(5)-C(4)-H(3)	121.2
C(1)-C(2)-C(10)	108.16(11)	O(1)-C(5)-C(4)	119.63(12)
C(1)-C(2)-C(18)	108.77(11)	O(1)-C(5)-C(13)	115.32(11)
C(10)-C(2)-C(18)	109.25(11)	C(4)-C(5)-C(13)	125.05(12)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	111.86(11)	O(1)-C(6)-C(7)	114.63(11)
C(10)-C(2)-C(3)	109.53(10)	O(1)-C(6)-P(1)	116.22(9)
C(18)-C(2)-C(3)	109.23(10)	C(7)-C(6)-P(1)	129.08(10)
C(4)-C(3)-C(11)	118.52(12)	C(9)-C(7)-C(8)	118.68(12)
C(4)-C(3)-C(2)	122.25(12)	C(9)-C(7)-C(6)	120.27(12)
C(11)-C(3)-C(2)	119.22(11)	C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	121.01(12)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	117.54(12)	C(9)#1-C(8)-C(7)	120.16(12)
C(3)-C(4)-H(3)	121.2	C(6)-P(1)-C(13)	88.50(6)
C(9)#1-C(8)-H(4)	119.9	C(12)-C(11)-H(22)	117.9

C(7)-C(8)-H(4)	119.9	C(3)-C(11)-H(22)	117.9
C(8)#1-C(9)-C(7)	121.16(13)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	117.05(12)
C(8)#1-C(9)-H(5)	119.4	C(11)-C(12)-C(14)	121.85(11)
C(7)-C(9)-H(5)	119.4	C(13)-C(12)-C(14)	121.00(11)
C(2)-C(10)-H(2)	109.5	C(5)-C(13)-C(12)	117.60(12)
C(2)-C(10)-H(17)	109.5	C(5)-C(13)-P(1)	109.66(9)
H(2)-C(10)-H(17)	109.5	C(12)-C(13)-P(1)	132.73(10)
C(2)-C(10)-H(18)	109.5	C(16)-C(14)-C(12)	112.09(11)
H(2)-C(10)-H(18)	109.5	C(16)-C(14)-C(15)	107.46(11)
H(17)-C(10)-H(18)	109.5	C(12)-C(14)-C(15)	111.32(11)
C(12)-C(11)-C(3)	124.19(12)	C(16)-C(14)-C(17)	108.01(11)
C(12)-C(14)-C(17)	108.60(10)	C(14)-C(16)-H(11)	109.5
C(15)-C(14)-C(17)	109.27(11)	H(9)-C(16)-H(11)	109.5
C(14)-C(15)-H(8)	109.5	H(10)-C(16)-H(11)	109.5
C(14)-C(15)-H(7)	109.5	C(14)-C(17)-H(14)	109.5
H(8)-C(15)-H(7)	109.5	C(14)-C(17)-H(12)	109.5
C(14)-C(15)-H(6)	109.5	H(14)-C(17)-H(12)	109.5
H(8)-C(15)-H(6)	109.5	C(14)-C(17)-H(13)	109.5
H(7)-C(15)-H(6)	109.5	H(14)-C(17)-H(13)	109.5
C(14)-C(16)-H(9)	109.5	H(12)-C(17)-H(13)	109.5
C(14)-C(16)-H(10)	109.5	C(2)-C(18)-H(20)	109.5
C(2)-C(18)-H(21)	109.5	C(2)-C(18)-H(19)	109.5
H(20)-C(18)-H(21)	109.5	H(20)-C(18)-H(19)	109.5
H(21)-C(18)-H(19)	109.5	C(2)-C(18)-H(21)	109.5
C(6)-O(1)-C(5)	110.30(10)	H(9)-C(16)-H(10)	109.5
C(2)-C(1)-H(15)	109.5	C(2)-C(1)-H(1)	109.5
C(2)-C(1)-H(1)	109.5	H(15)-C(1)-H(16)	109.5
H(15)-C(1)-H(1)	109.5	H(1)-C(1)-H(16)	109.5

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+2,-y,-z

Table S4 Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **1**.

	U ¹¹	U ²²	U ³³	U ²³	U ¹³	U ¹²
P(1)	17(1)	13(1)	17(1)	6(1)	11(1)	6(1)
O(1)	16(1)	13(1)	18(1)	5(1)	12(1)	6(1)
C(1)	26(1)	16(1)	30(1)	12(1)	16(1)	8(1)
C(2)	15(1)	16(1)	19(1)	8(1)	10(1)	6(1)
C(3)	12(1)	15(1)	14(1)	5(1)	4(1)	4(1)
C(4)	15(1)	11(1)	16(1)	4(1)	7(1)	5(1)
C(5)	12(1)	16(1)	12(1)	3(1)	6(1)	6(1)
C(6)	13(1)	16(1)	13(1)	6(1)	6(1)	4(1)
C(7)	12(1)	16(1)	12(1)	1(1)	5(1)	4(1)
C(8)	19(1)	17(1)	15(1)	8(1)	10(1)	7(1)
C(9)	19(1)	18(1)	17(1)	7(1)	9(1)	10(1)
C(10)	23(1)	21(1)	19(1)	10(1)	11(1)	7(1)
C(11)	14(1)	17(1)	13(1)	3(1)	7(1)	7(1)
C(12)	13(1)	14(1)	12(1)	3(1)	4(1)	5(1)
C(13)	12(1)	15(1)	13(1)	4(1)	5(1)	4(1)
C(14)	19(1)	12(1)	16(1)	4(1)	9(1)	6(1)
C(15)	22(1)	17(1)	21(1)	7(1)	10(1)	10(1)
C(16)	30(1)	15(1)	22(1)	6(1)	16(1)	11(1)
C(17)	23(1)	14(1)	22(1)	2(1)	6(1)	5(1)
C(18)	16(1)	24(1)	27(1)	13(1)	9(1)	5(1)

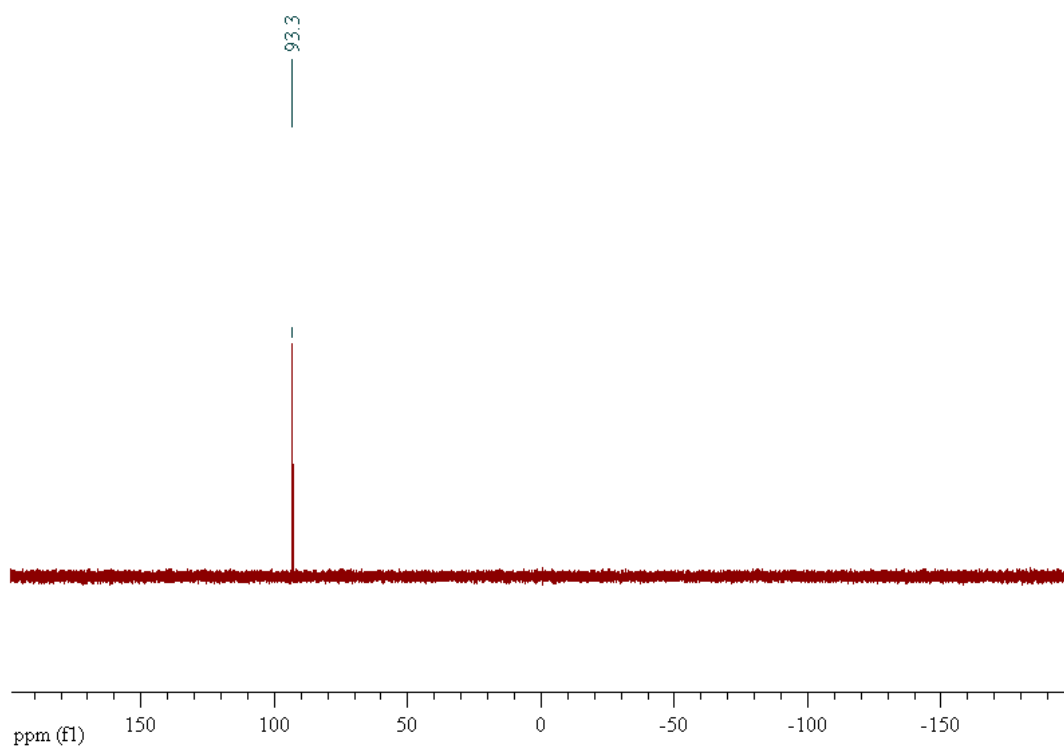
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Table S5 Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^{-3}$) for **1**.

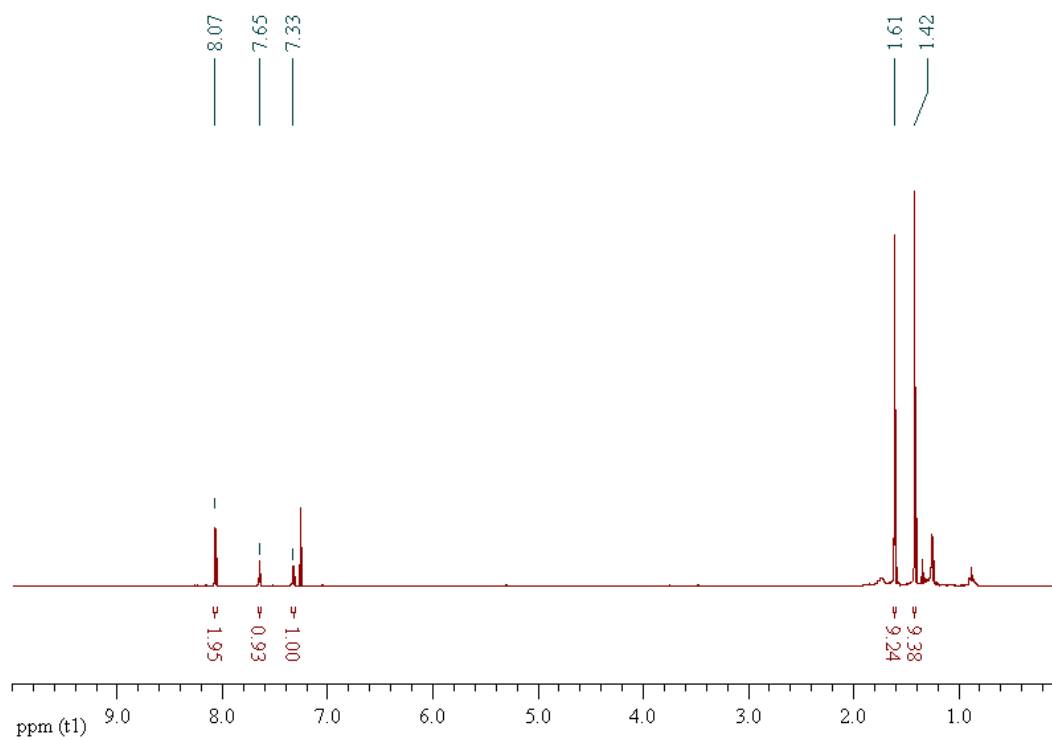
	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(15)	2955	-3158	3614	32
H(1)	843	-3702	2699	32
H(16)	590	-3850	3741	32
H(3)	3710	-2175	2380	16
H(4)	8878	-1506	934	19
H(5)	8725	1812	-9	19
H(2)	1782	-373	4899	30
H(17)	3450	-1171	4987	30
H(18)	1021	-1851	5052	30
H(22)	1672	732	3699	17
H(8)	3304	4408	2507	27
H(7)	1605	2926	1959	27
H(6)	4047	3353	1866	27
H(9)	2531	4126	4052	30
H(10)	2882	2931	4489	30
H(11)	879	2616	3559	30
H(14)	6433	4800	3970	31
H(12)	7257	3758	3362	31
H(13)	6760	3567	4361	31
H(20)	-1554	-1210	3383	32
H(21)	-2201	-2673	3566	32
H(19)	-1871	-2490	2540	32

4. NMR spectra

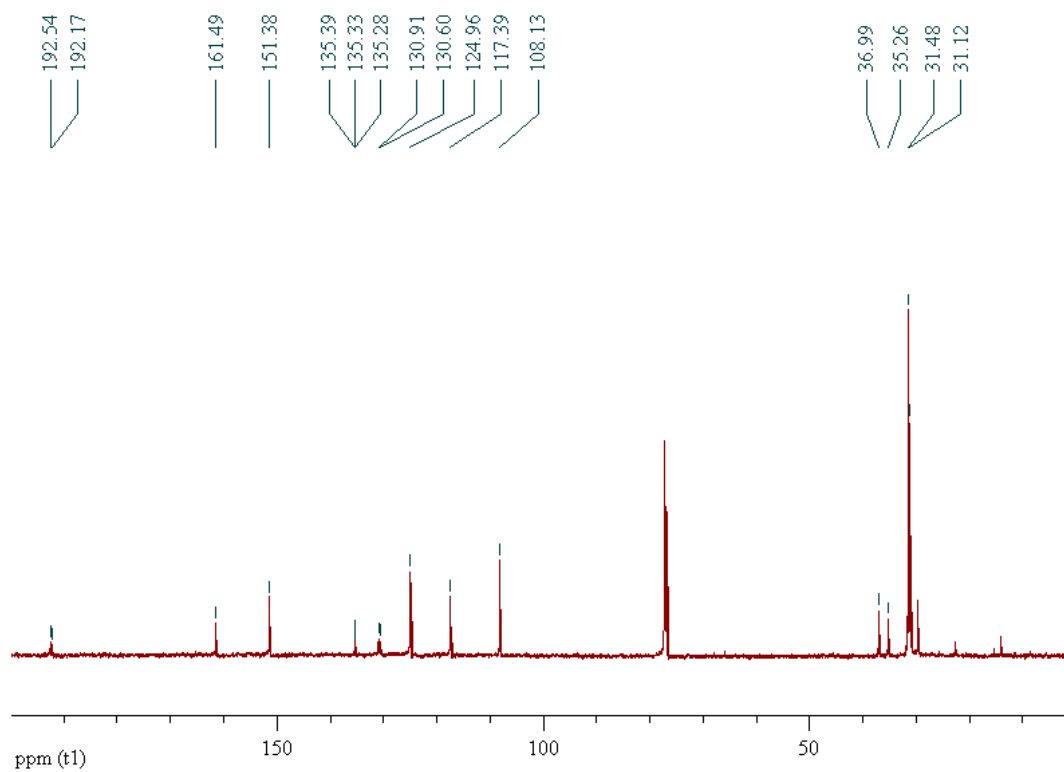
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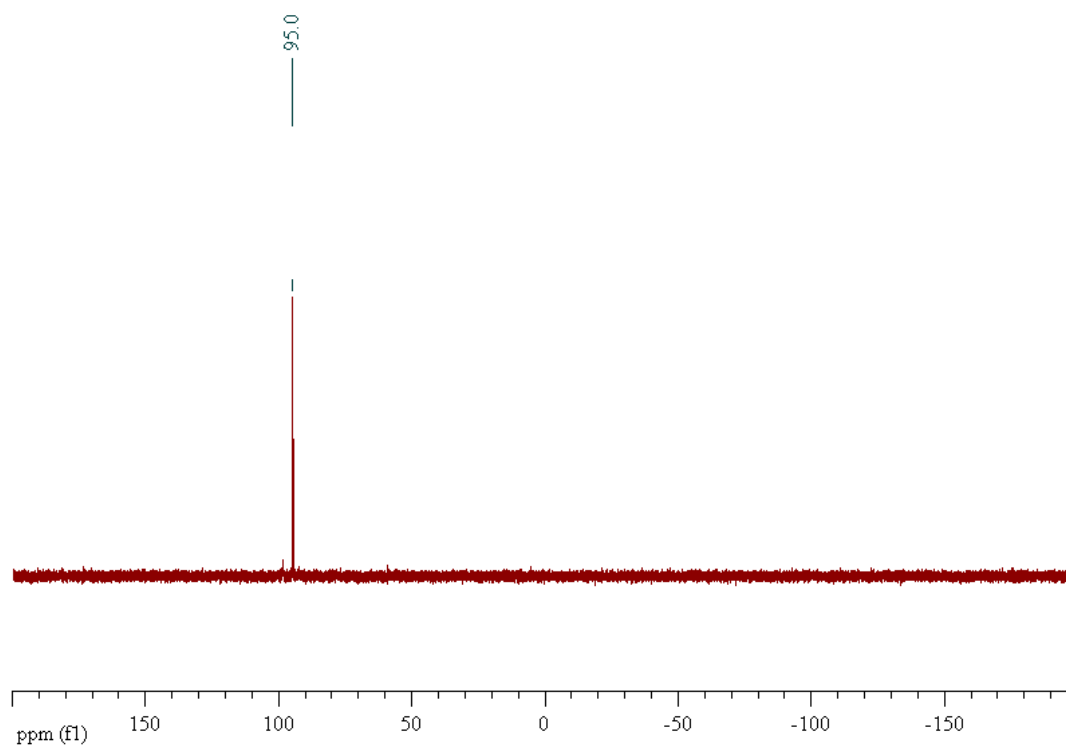
^1H NMR spectrum of 1,4-bis(4',6'-di-*tert*-butylbenzoxaphospholy)benzene (**1**)



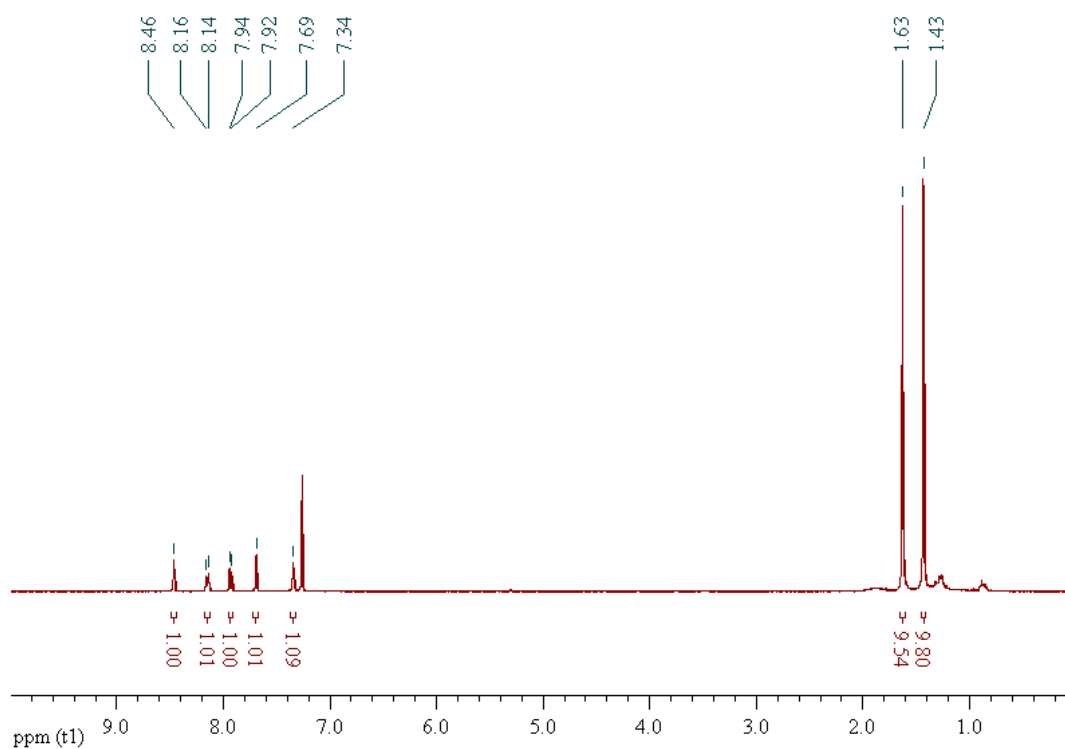
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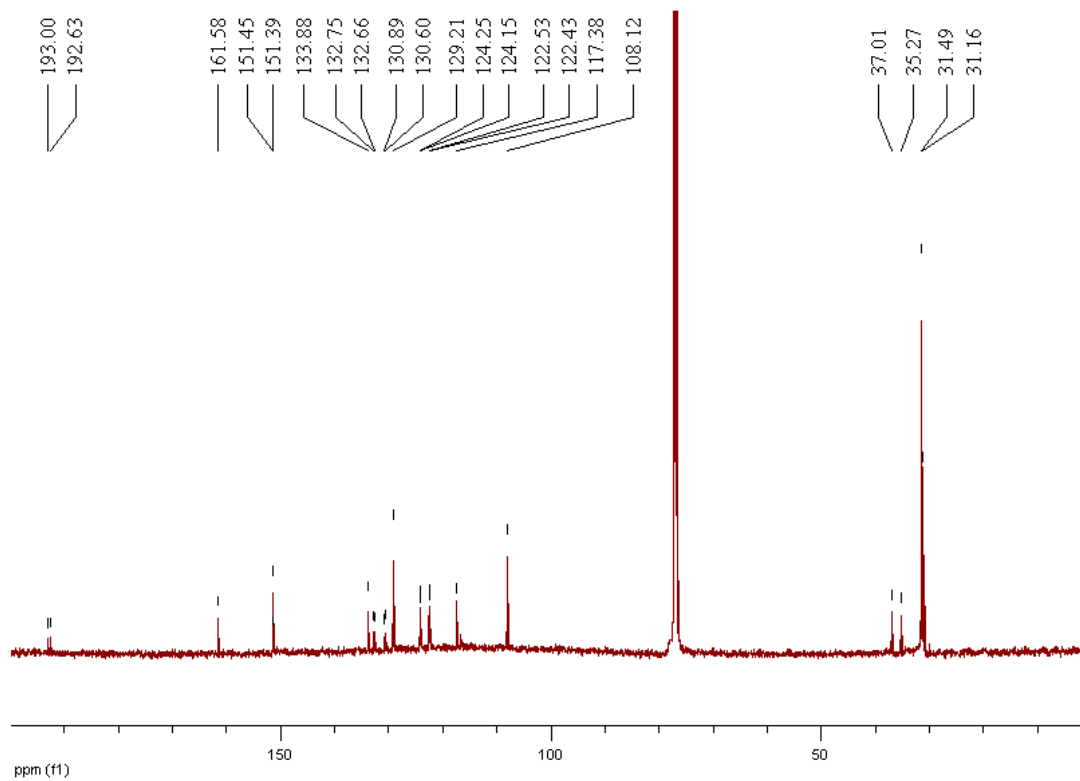
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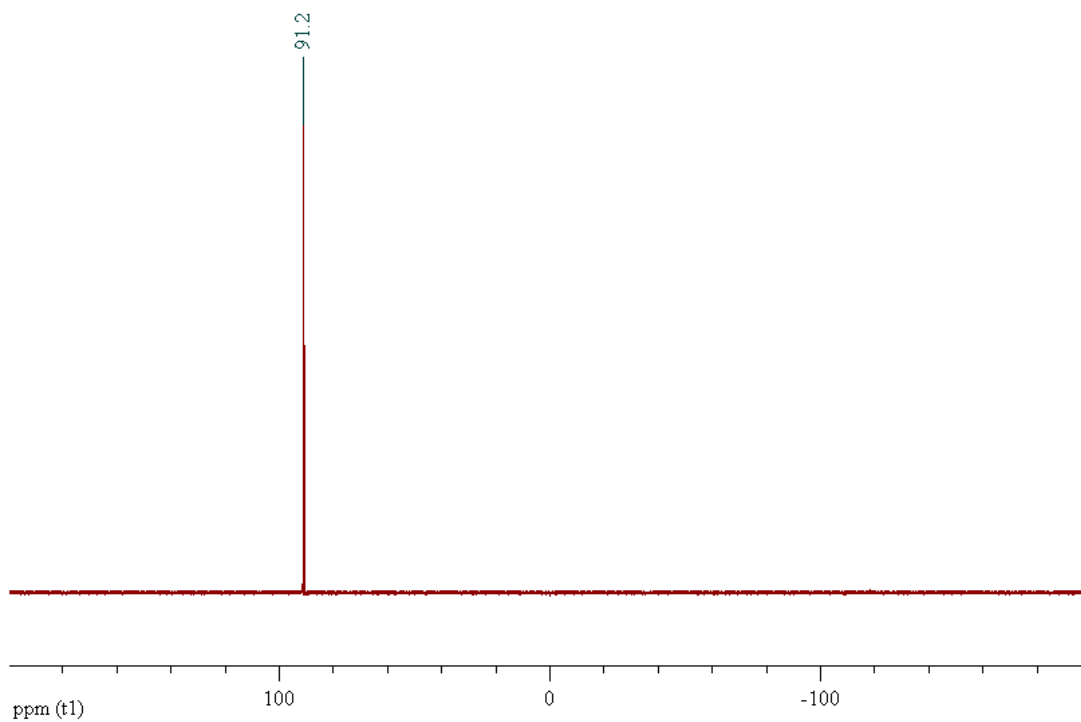
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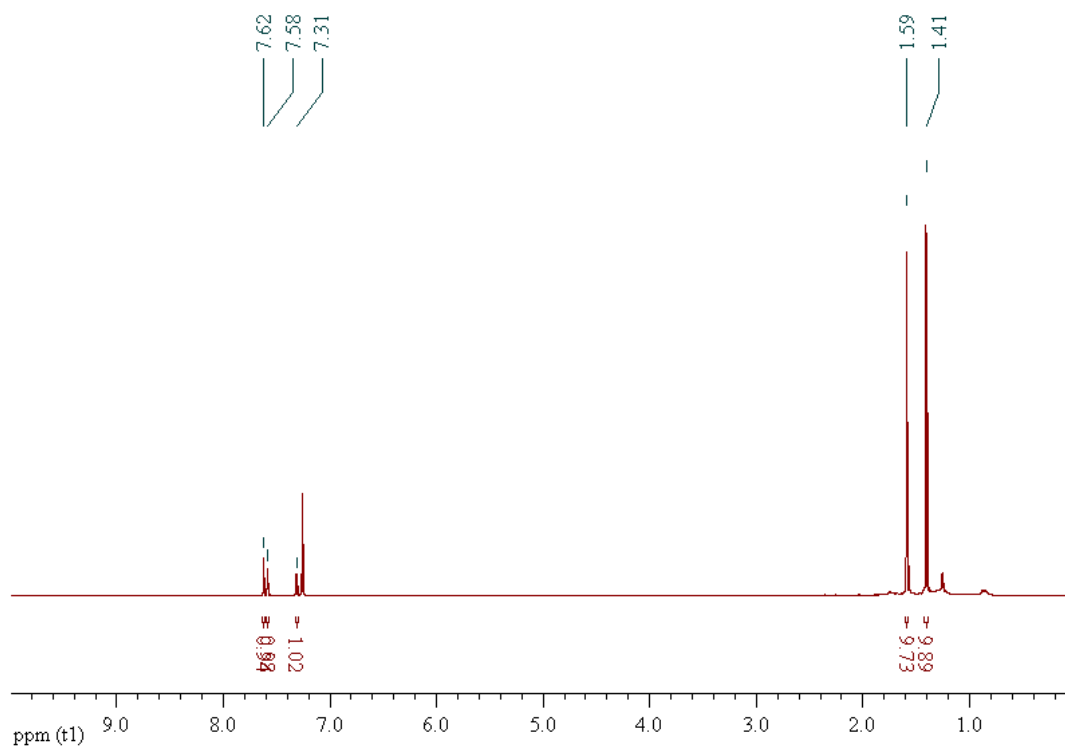
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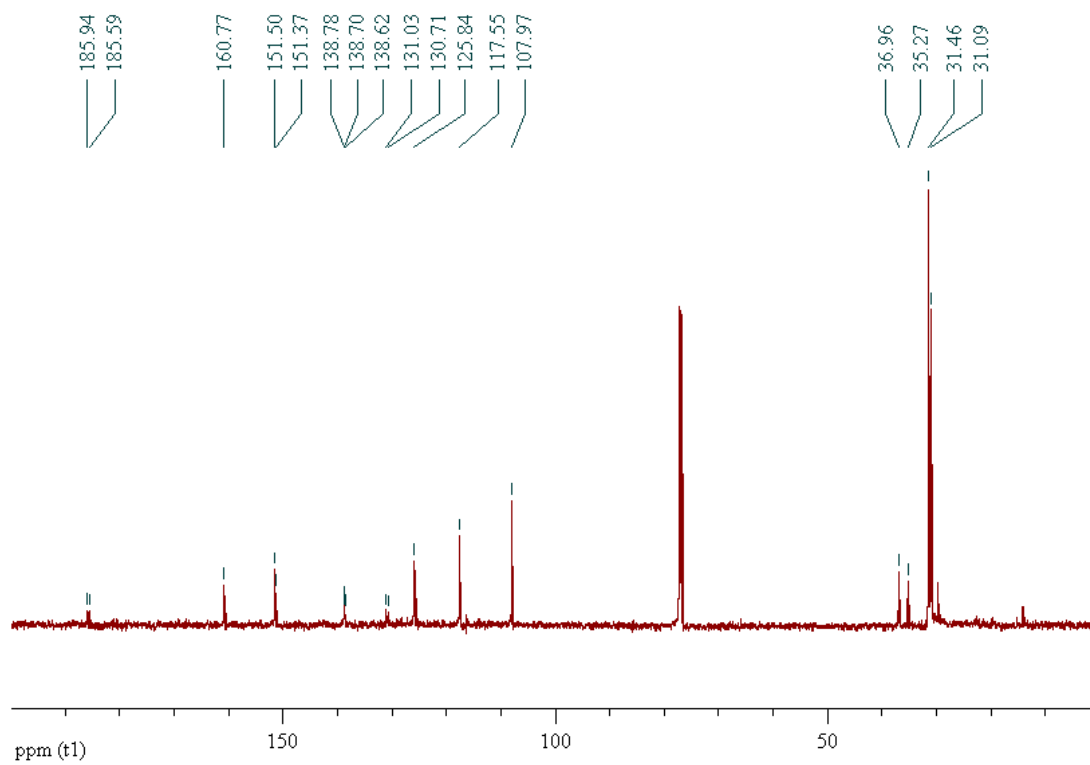
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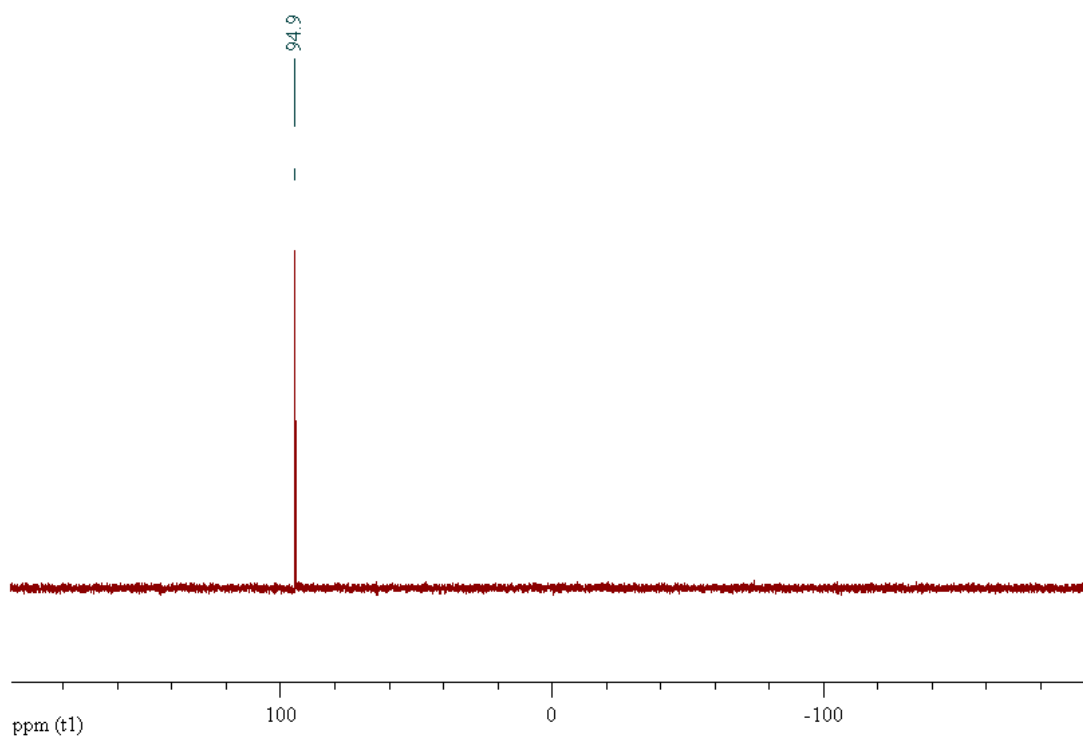
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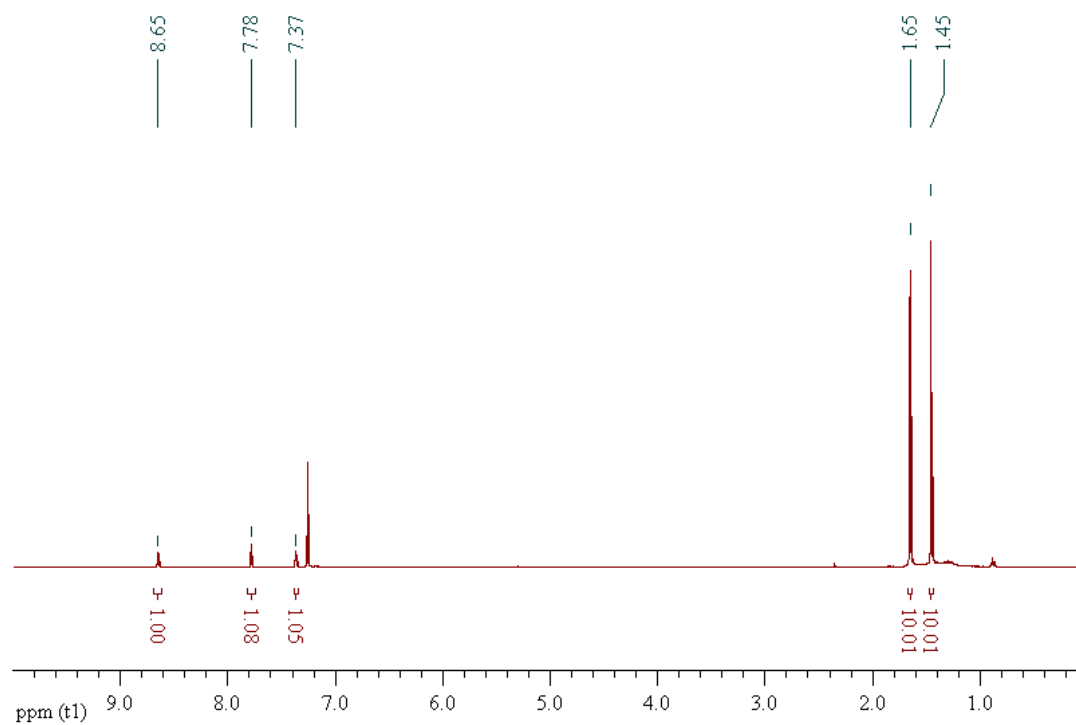
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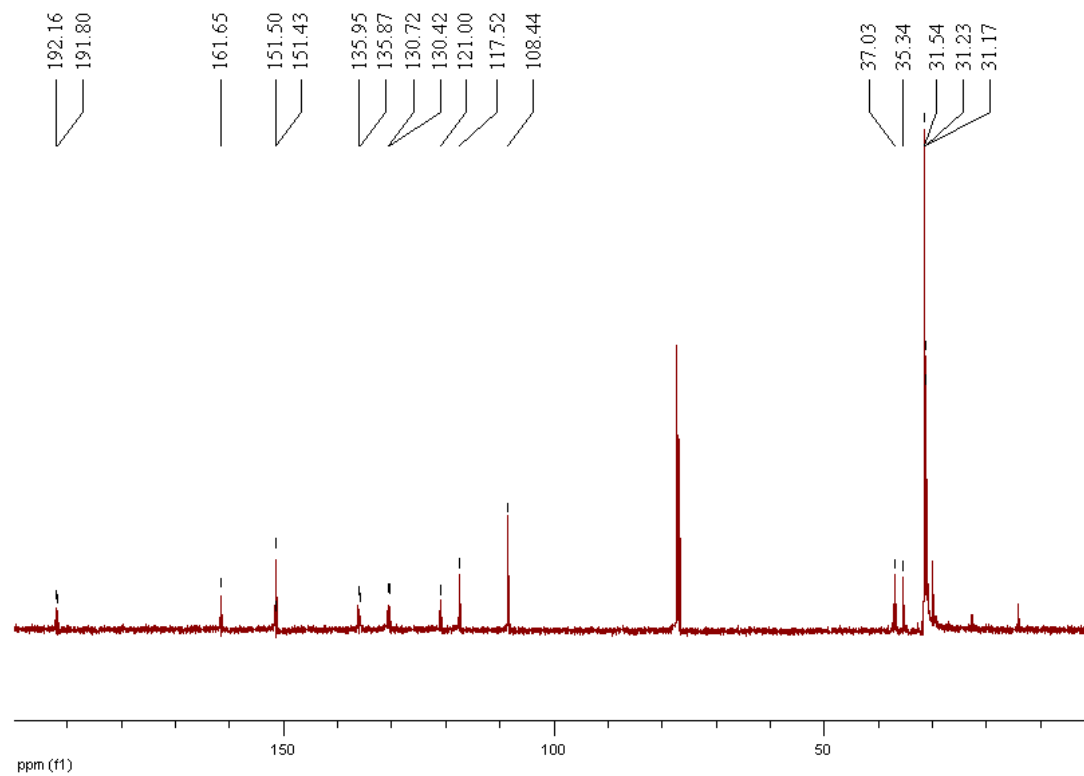
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^1H NMR spectrum of 1,3,5-tris(4',6'-di-*tert*-butyl-benzoxaphospholyl)benzene (**4**)



$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of 1,3,5-tris(4',6'-di-*tert*-butyl-benzoxaphospholyl)benzene (**4**)



5. UV-vis absorption and emission spectra

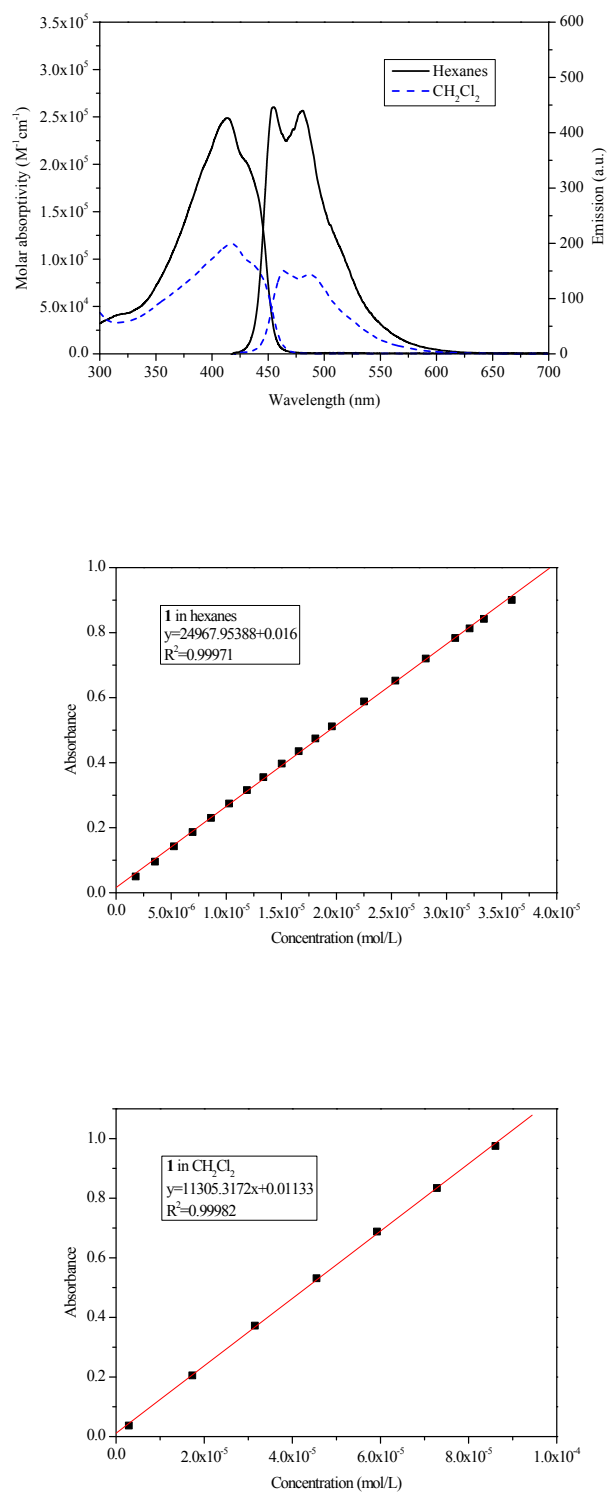


Figure S1 UV-vis absorption and fluorescence of **1** in hexanes and CH_2Cl_2 (Conc. 0.5×10^{-6} M, top). Excitation wavelength for fluorescence measurements was the adsorption maxima. Beer's

law plots of **1** in hexanes ($\lambda = 413$ nm, middle) and CH_2Cl_2 ($\lambda = 418$ nm, bottom).

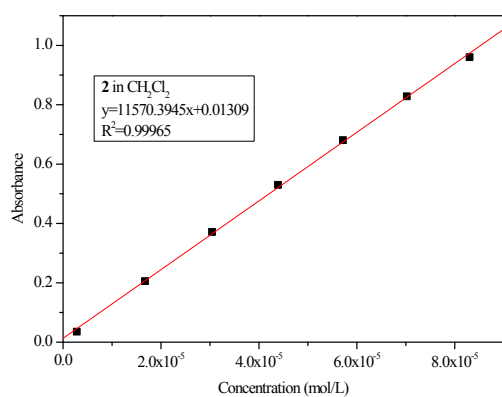
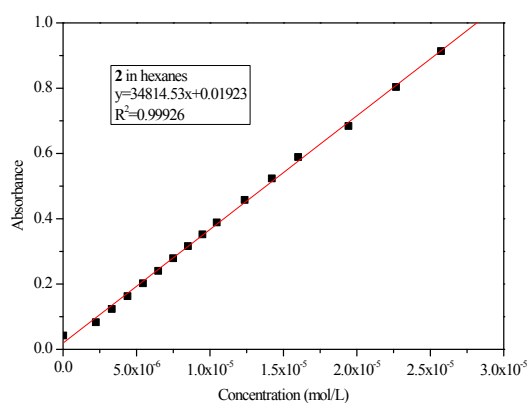
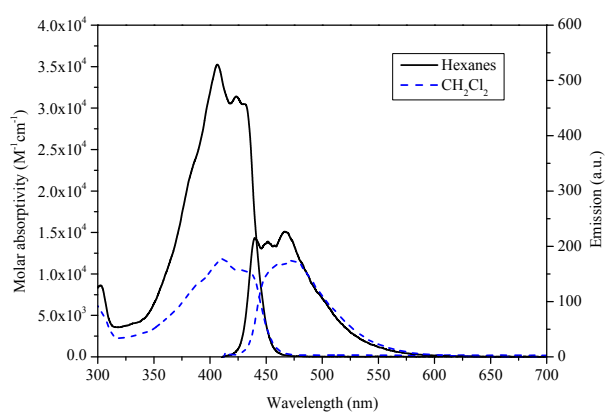


Figure S2 UV-vis absorption and fluorescence of **2** in hexanes and CH_2Cl_2 (Conc. 0.5×10^{-6} M, top). Excitation wavelength for fluorescence measurements was the adsorption maxima. Beer's law plots of **2** in hexanes ($\lambda = 407$ nm, middle) and CH_2Cl_2 ($\lambda = 412$ nm, bottom).

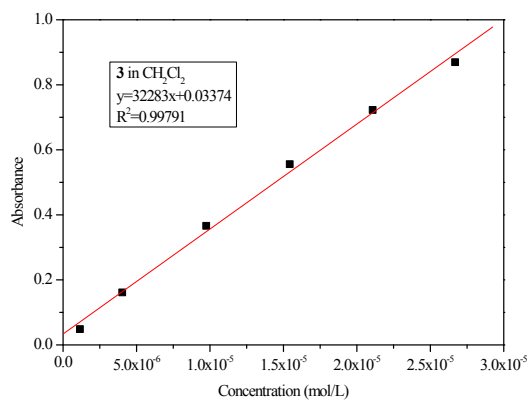
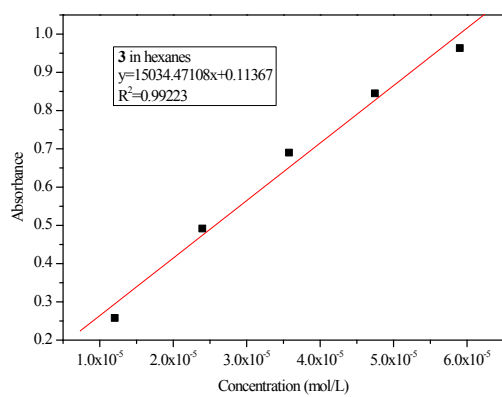
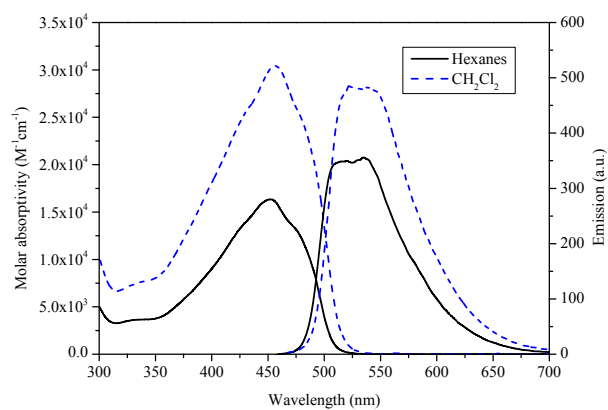


Figure S3 UV-vis absorption and fluorescence of **3** in hexanes and CH₂Cl₂ (Conc. 0.5×10^{-6} M, top). Excitation wavelength for fluorescence measurements was the adsorption maxima. Beer's law plots of **3** in hexanes ($\lambda = 452$ nm, middle) and CH₂Cl₂ ($\lambda = 457$ nm, bottom).

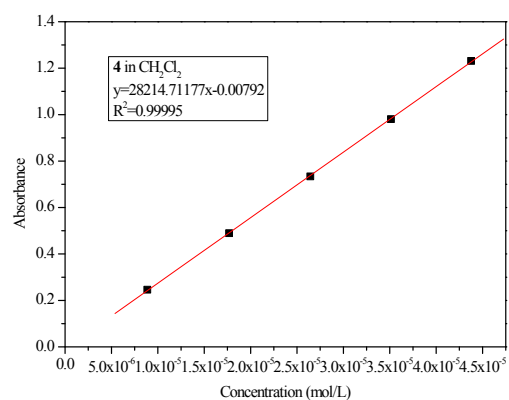
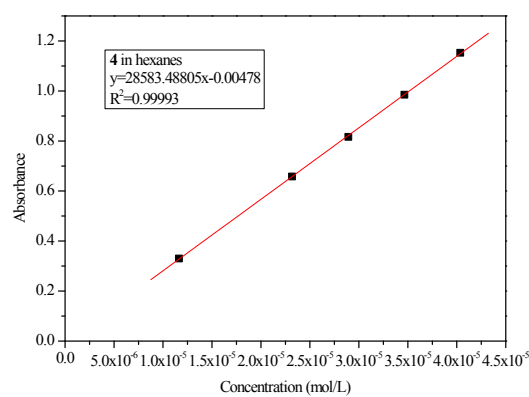
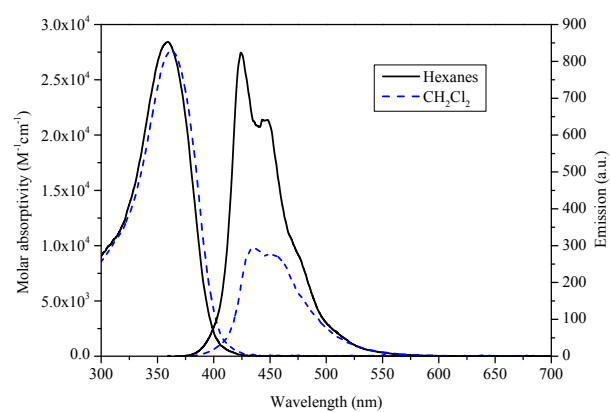


Figure S4 UV-vis absorption and fluorescence of **4** in hexanes and CH_2Cl_2 (Conc. 2.5×10^{-6} M, top). Excitation wavelength for fluorescence measurements was the adsorption maxima. Beer's law plots of **4** in hexanes ($\lambda = 359$ nm, middle) and CH_2Cl_2 ($\lambda = 362$ nm, bottom).

6. DFT calculation

A. A series of DFT calculations (B3LYP 6-31G*) were conducted using Spartan '10 (Wavefunction, Inc., Irvine, CA) to minimize several possible conformations of the compounds.

i. For the compound **1**, two structures were minimized. The energy difference was only 0.00021 au (ca 0.1 kcal/mol), favoring the "trans" species.

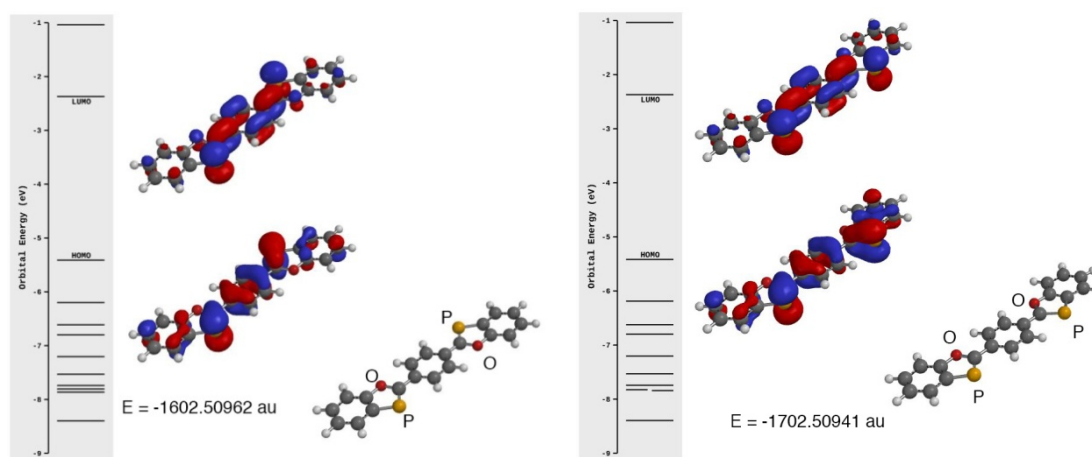


Figure S5 MO diagram for "trans" (left) and "cis" (right) isomers of **1** ($d_{P-C} = 1.737\text{\AA}$).

ii. For the compound **3**, three possible structures were minimized. The lowest energy was the "cis" species having the oxygen atoms nearest to the sulfur atom.

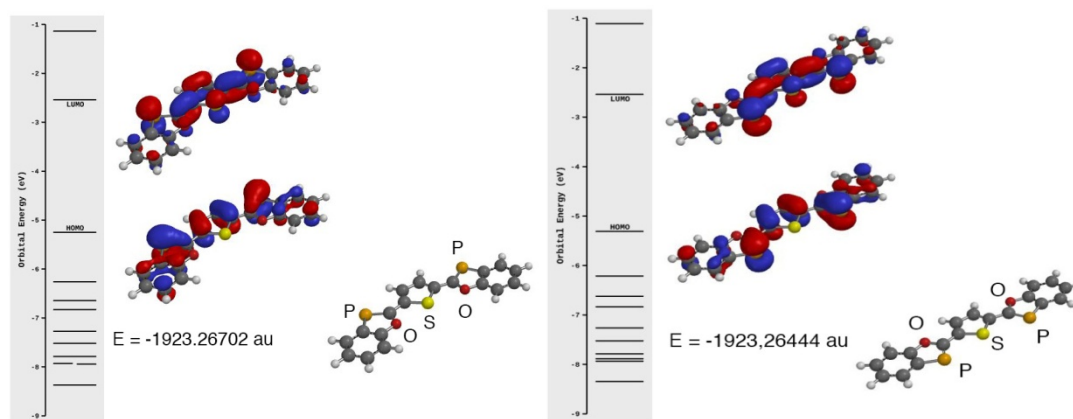


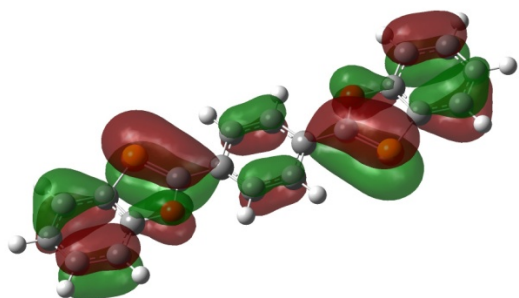
Figure S6 MO diagrams for "cis OSO" (left, $d_{P-C} = 1.741\text{\AA}$) and "trans PSP" (right, $d_{P-C} = 1.738\text{\AA}$) isomers of **3**.

B. The two lowest energy structures from the 6-31G* calculations (Spartan '10, Wavefunction, Inc., Irvine, CA) were then subjected to further refinement using DFT B3LYP 6-311+(d,p) Gaussian 09, Revision **D.01**.⁴ Following these optimizations, single point energy calculations were undertaken TDDFT CAM-B3LYP 6-311G+(d,p) using IEFPCM solvent correction (CH₂Cl₂).

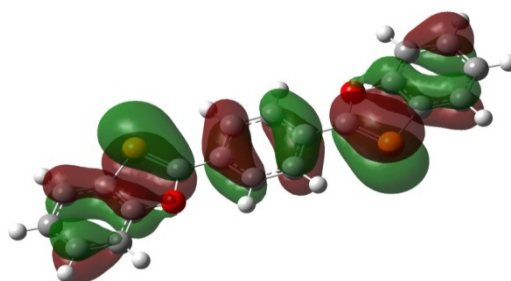
i. “trans” isomer of 1

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2	6	0	6.638577	-1.072031	-0.042869
3	6	0	5.840941	1.642912	0.027571
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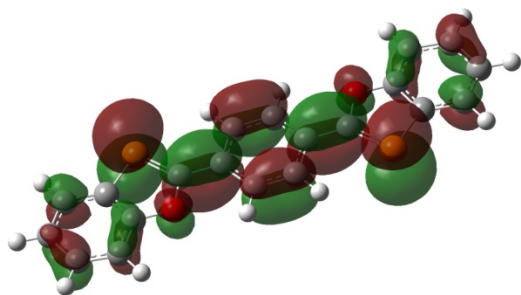
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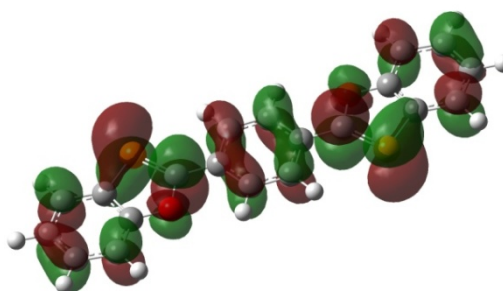
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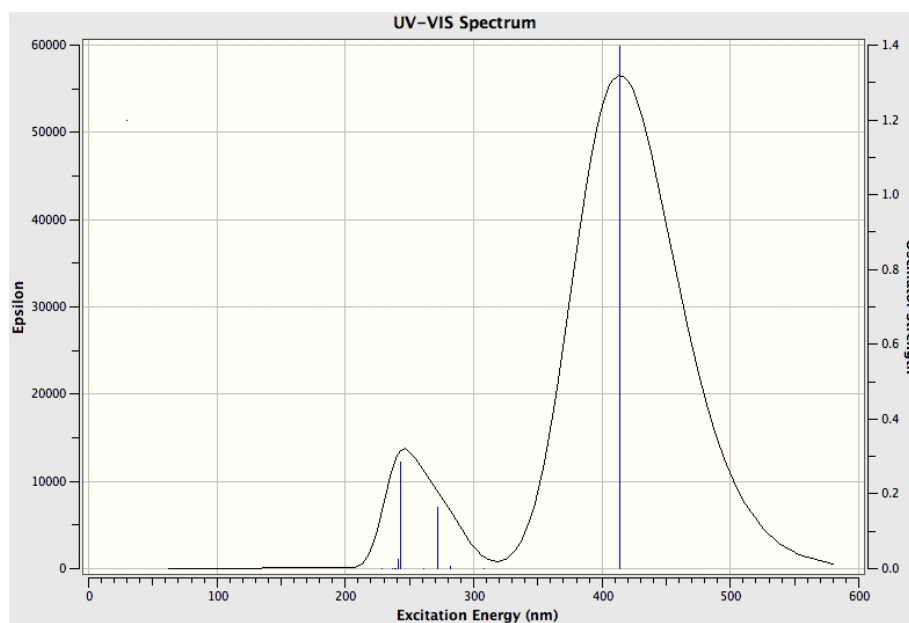
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Excitation energies and oscillator strengths:

Excited State 1:	Singlet-AU	2.9949 eV	413.99 nm	f=1.3973	<S**2>=0.000
88 -> 91	-0.12139				
89 -> 90	0.68772				

This state for optimization and/or second-order correction.

Total Energy, E(TD-HF/TD-KS) = -1602.16657322

Copying the excited state density for this state as the 1-particle RhoCI density.

Excited State 2:	Singlet-AG	4.0249 eV	308.04 nm	f=0.0000	<S**2>=0.000
88 -> 90	0.62369				
89 -> 91	-0.29120				

Excited State 3:	Singlet-AU	4.3931 eV	282.23 nm	f=0.0067	<S**2>=0.000
85 -> 90	0.45284				
87 -> 90	-0.35253				
89 -> 92	0.33469				
89 -> 93	0.12484				

Excited State 4:	Singlet-AU	4.5549 eV	272.20 nm	f=0.1652	<S**2>=0.000
85 -> 90	0.29342				
86 -> 91	-0.19927				
87 -> 90	0.51481				
88 -> 91	0.12552				
89 -> 92	0.17698				
89 -> 99	0.15778				

Excited State 5:	Singlet-AG	4.5559 eV	272.14 nm	f=0.0000	<S**2>=0.000
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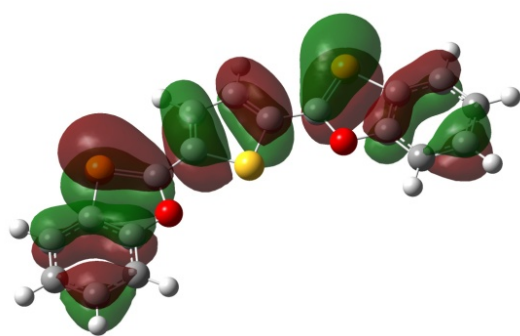
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89 -> 91	0.44434				
89 -> 97	0.11426				

Excited State 7:	Singlet-AU	5.0981 eV	243.20 nm	f=0.2835	<S**2>=0.000
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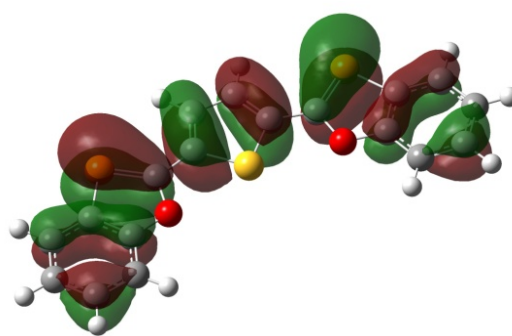
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82 -> 90	0.62505					
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89 -> 93	0.47709					
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82 -> 91	-0.31132					
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ii. "cis OSO" isomer of 3

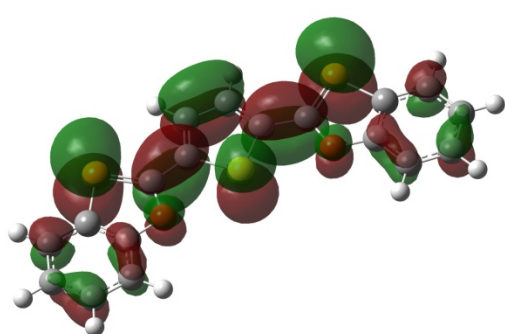
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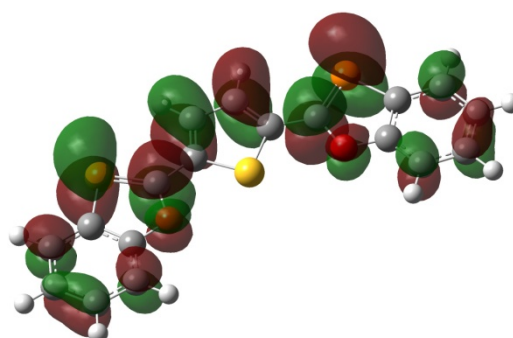
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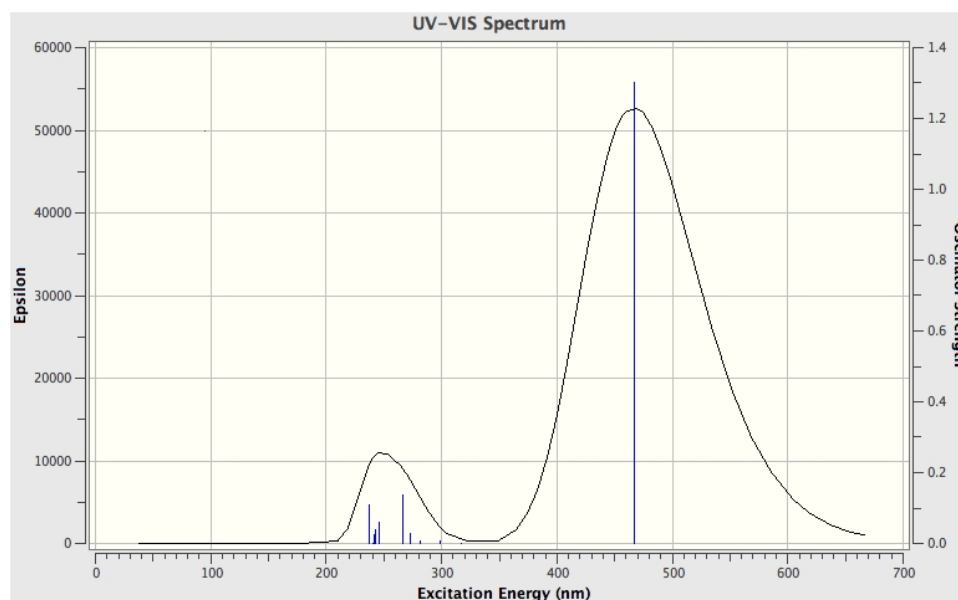
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Excitation energies and oscillator strengths:

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90 -> 91 0.69358

This state for optimization and/or second-order correction.

Total Energy, E(TD-HF/TD-KS) = -1922.98305625

Copying the excited state density for this state as the 1-particle RhoCI density.

Excited State 2: Singlet-A1 3.9125 eV 316.89 nm f=0.0000 <S**2>=0.000
89 -> 91 0.58985
90 -> 92 -0.35709

Excited State 3: Singlet-A1 4.1536 eV 298.50 nm f=0.0053 <S**2>=0.000
86 -> 91 0.21368
87 -> 91 -0.13459
88 -> 92 0.10528
89 -> 91 0.33619
90 -> 92 0.53201

Excited State 4: Singlet-B2 4.3988 eV 281.86 nm f=0.0062 <S**2>=0.000
87 -> 92 -0.18002
88 -> 91 0.64089
89 -> 92 0.13068
90 -> 97 0.11101

Excited State 5: Singlet-A1 4.5485 eV 272.58 nm f=0.0282 <S**2>=0.000
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87 -> 91 0.58727
88 -> 92 -0.15668
90 -> 92 0.20665
90 -> 98 0.11418

Excited State 6: Singlet-A1 4.6589 eV 266.12 nm f=0.1358 <S**2>=0.000
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88 -> 92 -0.10869
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Excited State 7: Singlet-B2 5.0448 eV 245.77 nm f=0.0579 <S**2>=0.000
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88 -> 97 -0.12510
89 -> 92 -0.15929
89 -> 94 0.16863
89 -> 98 0.15921
90 -> 93 0.54700

90 -> 97	0.14587					
Excited State 8:	Singlet-A1	5.0985 eV	243.18 nm	f=0.0383	<S**2>=0.000	
87 -> 93	0.12821					
89 -> 93	0.25079					
90 -> 94	0.59843					
90 -> 98	0.11344					
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83 -> 92	-0.17314					
90 -> 95	0.48313					
90 -> 99	-0.21772					
Excited State 11:	Singlet-A2	5.1527 eV	240.62 nm	f=0.0000	<S**2>=0.000	
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Excited State 12:	Singlet-B2	5.2143 eV	237.78 nm	f=0.1104	<S**2>=0.000	
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