## -Supporting Information-

# Pyridoxycalix[4]arene palladium(II) complexes as tectons for self-inclusion polymers

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#### Syntheses of Ligands

26,27,28-trihydroxy-25-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy))-calix[4]arene (**2a**') and *syn-distal*-26,28dihydroxy-25,27-bis-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy))-calix[4]arene (**2a**):



Tetrahydroxycalix[4]arene<sup>[1]</sup> (305 mg, 0.71 mmol) and Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.470 g , 14.0 mmol) are suspended in 2-bromo-4-methylpyridine<sup>[2]</sup> (6.820 g, 39.88 mmol) and heated to 160 °C for three days. After cooling the reaction mixture to room temperature, dichloromethane (10 mL) was added and the mixture filtered through Celite 535 and washed three times with dichloromethane (5 mL). Dichloromethane was removed by rotary evaporation and excess bromopyridine (5.310g, 31.05 mmol) was recovered by Kugelrohr-distillation (110–120 °C, 0.35 mbar). The remained residue was dried in vacuo (30 min, 160 °C, 0.35 mbar) to give 428 mg of a deep purple solid. TLC (SiO<sub>2</sub>, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5:2):  $R_{\rm f} = 0.66$ , 0.45 (2a'), 0.34 (2a), 0.24. Separation by flash-chromatography and subsequent drying in vacuo (100-110 °C, 0.35 mbar) gave: First fraction ( $R_{\rm f} = 0.45$ ): 85 mg (23%) of 2a' as colorless solid with mp. 242 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.43$  ppm (s, 3H, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.43 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 3.52 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.09 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.30 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.70 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.90 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.30 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar)

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Ar), 6.66-6.73 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.91 (s, 1H, Py-3-H, 6.97-7.05 (m, 8H, ArH, Py-5-H), 7.15 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz, ArH), 8.14 (s, 1H, Py-6-H), 8.95 (s, br, 2H, Ar-OH), 9.55 (s, br, 1H, Ar-OH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 21.34$  ppm (q, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.98 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 32.05 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 110.46 (d, Py-C-3), 120.79 (d, Py-C-5), 121.14, 122.16, 127.34, 128.35, 128.48, 128.79, 129.05, 129.54, 134.66, 146.47 (d, Py-C-6), 147.71(s, ArC-O), 149.35 (s, ArC-O), 150.98 (s, ArC-O), 152.98 (s, ArC-O), 163.20 (s, Py-C-2). IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3331 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (br, s), 3022 (m), 2931 (m), 1607 (s), 1562 (m), 1466 (s), 1446 (s), 1395 (s), 1286 (m), 1263 (m), 1243 (m), 1184 (m), 1151 (m), 1091 (w), 946 (s), 911 (w), 818 (s), 786 (m), 753 (s). UV/Vis (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\lambda_{max}$  (lg  $\varepsilon$ ) = 272 nm (4.2), 194 (5.3). MS (FAB): m/z (%): 663.3 (7), 538.2 (6) [M+Na<sup>+</sup>], 516.2 (100) [M+H<sup>+</sup>]. Elemental analysis calcd. for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>·½H<sub>2</sub>O (524.62 g/mol): C 77.84, H 5.76, N 2.67. Found: C 77.95, H 5.64, N 2.61. Second fraction ( $R_f = 0.34$ ): 120 mg (28%) of **2a** as colorless solid with mp. 273– 278 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.44$  ppm (s, 6H, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.37 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 4H, Ar'-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.03 (d, J = 14.1 Hz, 4H, Ar'-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 6.71 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.86 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.94-6.95 (m, 6H, Py-5-H, ArH), 7.04 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 6H, ArH), 8.20 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, Py-6-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 20.56$  ppm (q, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.07 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 109.94 (d, Py-C-3), 118.77 (d, Py-C-5), 119.29 (d, ArC-H), 125.76 (d, ArC), 127.53 (s, Py-C-4), 127.88, 128.42 (both d, both ArC), 132.39 (s, ArC-CH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 144.92 (d, Py-C-6), 145.86 (s, ArC-OH), 152.01 (s, ArC-OPy), 161.97 (s, Py-C-2). IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3480 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (s, br), 3022 (m) 2931 (m), 1752 (s), 1605 (m), 1464 (s), 1396 (s), 1287 (m), 1264 (m), 1187 (m), 1153 (s), 1086 (m), 990 (m), 946 (w), 907 (w), 821 (m), 786 (m), 773 (m), 753 (m), 612 (w). UV/Vis (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\lambda_{max}$  = 280 nm. MS (FAB): m/z (%): 663.3 (7) [M + 57<sup>+</sup>], 629.3 (50) [M + Na<sup>+</sup>], 607.3 [M + H<sup>+</sup>] (100), 516.2 (9)  $[M^+-Pv]$ . Elemental analysis calcd. for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (606.72 g/mol): C 79.19, H 5.65, N 4.62. Found: C 78.97, H 5.69, N 4.62.

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*syn-distal*-26,28-Dihydroxy-25-(2-pyridoxy)-27-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy))-calix[4]arene (**3a**) and *rac-syn-proxi*-27,28-Dihydroxy-25-(2-pyridoxy)-26-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy))-calix[4]arene (**3a**'):



Monopyridoxycalixarene<sup>[3]</sup> **1a'** (512 mg, 1.02 mmol) and sodium carbonate (2.13 mg, 20.14 mmol) are suspended in 2-bromo-4-methylpyridine in a screw-capped vessel, flushed with argon and heated for three days at 160°C. After cooling the reaction mixture to room temperature, inorganic salts were filtered off and washed with dichloromethane. Dichloromethane was removed at the rotary evaporator and 2-bromo-4-methylpyridine was recovered by distillation in vacuo (100°C, 0.85 mbar). The brown residue was separated by flash-chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 3:1 to 1:1), recrystallized from dichloromethane/methanol and dried in vacuo (1 h, 100-110°C): First fraction ( $R_f = 0.29$  in PE/EA 3:1): 135 mg (22 %) of **3a** as a colourless solid with mp. 244 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.44$  ppm (s, 3H, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.36 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 4H, ArC $H_2$ Ar), 4.04 (dd,  ${}^{3}J = 13.6$ , Hz,  ${}^{4}J = 3.8$  Hz, 4H, ArC $H_2$ Ar), 6.71 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.83-6.87 (m, 3H, ArH, Py-5-H), 6.94 (d,  ${}^{3}J = 7.3$  Hz,  ${}^{4}J = 1.5$  Hz, 6H, ArH, Ar-OH), 7.02 (s, 1H, Py-3-H), 7.04 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 5H, ArH, Py-5'-H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Py-3'-H), 7.77 (,,t",  ${}^{3}J$  = 7.8 Hz , ${}^{4}J$  = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Py-4'-H), 8.11 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, Py-6-H), 8.25 (dd,  ${}^{3}J = 5.1$  Hz,  ${}^{4}J = 1.3$ , 1H, Py-6'-H).  ${}^{13}C$  NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ = 21.30 ppm (q,  $-CH_3$ ), 32.13 (t, Ar- $CH_2$ -Ar), 32.16 (t, Ar $CH_2$ Ar), 110.71 (d, Py-C-3'), 110.91 (d, Py-C-3), 118.66 (d, Py-C-5'), 119.61 (d, ArC-H), 120.13 (d, Py-C-5), 126.47 (d, ArC-H), 126.52 (d, ArC-H), 128.51 (s, Ar'C-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 128.56 (s, Ar'C-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 128.89 (d, ArC-H), 128.93 (d, ArC-H), 129.20 (d, ArC-H), 129.24 (d, ArC-H), 133.58 (s, ArC-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar'), 139.84 (d, Py-C-4'), 147.14 (d, Py-C-6), 147.58 (s, ArC-OH), 148.21 (d, Py-C-6'), 151.54 (s, Py-C-4), 153.09 (s, ArC-OPy), 163.68 (s, Py-C-2'), 163.87 (s, Py-C-2). IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3468 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (br, s), 3021 (w), 2931 (m), 1606 (m), 1588 (m), 1570 (m),

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1466 (s), 1427 (s), 1396 (m), 1286 (m), 1265 (m), 1236 (m), 1207 (w), 1187 (m), 1149 (m), 1085 (m), 989 (w), 947 (m), 909 (w), 872 (w), 823 (w), 775 (w), 754 (m), 608 (w), 517 (w), 471 (w), 411 (w). UV/Vis (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\lambda_{max}$  (lg  $\epsilon$ ) = 270 nm (3.6), 210 (4.3). MS (FAB): m/z (%): 593.4 (100) [M + H<sup>+</sup>], 615.4 (42) [M + Na<sup>+</sup>]. Elemental analysis calcd. for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>·½H<sub>2</sub>O (601.69 g/mol): C 77.85, H 5.53, N 4.66. Found: C 77.48, H 5.26, N 4.46. Second fraction ( $R_f = 0.24$  in PE/EA 3:1): 202 mg (33 %) of rac-3a' as a colorless solid with mp. 234 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.25$  ppm (s, 3H, -*CH*<sub>3</sub>), 3.31 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-*CH*<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 3.47 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-*CH*<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 3.50  $(d, J = 14.4 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{Ar-}CH_2\text{-Ar}), 3.61 (d, J = 13.6 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{Ar-}CH_2\text{-Ar}), 3.82 (d, J = 13.2 \text{ Hz})$ Hz, 1H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 3.98 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 4.00 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 1H, Ar- $CH_2$ -Ar), 4.26 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H, Ar- $CH_2$ -Ar), 6.34 (,,br" s, 1H, Py-3-H), 6.55 (d, J =8.3 Hz, 1H, Py-3'-H), 6.62 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.67 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.73 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H, Py-5-H), 6.82-6.88 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.91 (,,t", *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H, Py-5'-H), 7.01-7.08 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.16-7.21 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.54 ( $_{,t}$ <sup>4</sup> $_{,s}$  = 7.8 Hz,  $^{4}J$  = 2 Hz, 1H, Py-4'-H), 8.01 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H, Py-6-H), 8.17 (,,d",  ${}^{3}J = 9.9$  Hz,  ${}^{4}J = 2.8$  Hz, 1H, Py-6'-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 21.17$  ppm (q, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.45 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 31.94 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 33.20 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 33.16 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 110.64 (d, Py-C-3'), 111.02 (d, Py-C-3), 118.03 (d, Py-C-5'), 119.53 (d, Py-C-5), 120.81 (d, ArC-H), 120.99 (d, ArC-H), 126.46 (d, ArC-H), 128.42, 128.66, 128.72, 128.76, 128. 83, 128.88, 129.04, 129.25, 129.40, 129.46, 129.51, 134.23 (s, ArC-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 134.33 (s, ArC-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 135.31 (s, ArC-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 135.36 (s, ArC-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 139.20 (d, Py-C-4'), 146.69 (d, Py-C-6), 147.69 (d, Py-C-6'), 148.17 (s, ArC-OH), 148.39 (s, ArC-OH), 151.57, 151.63 (both s, Py-C-4, ArC-O-Py), 163.65, 163.77 (both s, Py-C-2', Py-C-2). IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3365$ cm<sup>-1</sup> (br, s), 3022 (w), 2928 (w), 2859 (w), 1601 (m), 1570 (m), 1466 (m), 1428 (m), 1398 (m), 1366 (w), 1287 (m), 1266 (m), 1246 (m), 1188 (m), 1151 (m), 1089 (w), 990 (w), 946 (w), 913 (w), 875 (w), 822 (w), 805 (w), 778 (m), 758 (m), 604 (w), 562 (w), 519 (w), 450 (w). UV/Vis (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\lambda_{max}$  (lg  $\varepsilon$ ) = 270 nm (4.1), 213 (4.7). MS (FAB): m/z (%): 593.4 (100) [M + H<sup>+</sup>], 615.4 (17) [M + Na<sup>+</sup>]. Elemental analysis calcd. for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>·½H<sub>2</sub>O (601.69 g/mol): C 77.85, H 5.53, N 4.66. Found: C 77.49, H 5.26, N 4.46

#### **Syntheses of Palladium Complexes**

(*syn-distal*-26,28-dihydroxy-25,27-bis-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy)-calix[4]arene)-palladium(II) chloride (**2b**):



Calixarene 2a (92 mg, 0.15 mmol) and palladium(II) chloride (28 mg, 0.16 mmol) are suspended in a mixture of dichloromethane (20 mL) and methanol (5 mL) and refluxed 16-18 h. After cooling the reaction mixture to room temperature the yellow solution was filtered and solvents were removed in vacuo to yield 118 mg (quantitative) of 2b as bright yellow solid with mp. >310 °C. Single-crystals suitable for X ray diffraction were grown by slow diffusion of methanol into a saturated solution of 2b in dichloromethane. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400.1 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta = 2.33$  ppm (s, 6H, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.39 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 4H, Ar'-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 3.92 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 4H, Ar'-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 6.50 (s, 2H), 6.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, Ar-4-H), 6.96 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H Py-5-H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.0 Hz; Ar'-4-H; ,,t", Ar-3/5-H; 6H),7.19 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 4H, Ar'-3/5-H), 8.43 (s, 2H, Ar-OH), 8.55 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, Pv-6-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\delta = 21.45$  ppm (q, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.18 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 110.65 (d, Py-C-3), 119.59 (d, Ar-C-4), 121.05 (d, Py-C-5), 126.92 (d, Ar'-C-4), 127.96 (s, Ar-C-2/4), 128.56 (d, Ar-C-3/5), 131.06 (d, Ar-C-3/5), 133.06 (s, Ar'-C-2/4), 147.71 (s, Ar'C-O-Py), 151.27 (d, Py-C-6), 154.38 (s, ArC-OH), 155.16 (s, Py-C-4), 163.97 (s, Py-C-2). IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3470 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (s), 3054 (m) 2951 (m), 1625 (s), 1585 (w), 1563 (m) 1488 (m), 1476 (s), 1435 (s), 1307 (s), 1250 (m), 1191 (s), 1175 (s), 1159 (m), 1085 (m), 1033 (m), 1013 (w), 962 (m), 909 (w), 847 (w), 819 (w), 801 (m), 773 (m), 754 (m), 737 (m), 649 (w), 612 (w). UV/Vis (CH<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\lambda_{max}$  (lg  $\epsilon$ ) = 280 nm (4.2). Elemental analysis calcd. for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>PdCl<sub>2</sub>·<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (805.28 g/mol): C 60.03, H 4.32, N 3.48. Found: C 60.00, H 4.25, N 3.41.

(syn-distal-26,28-dihydroxy-25-(2-pyridoxy)-27-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy))-calix[4]arene)bis(μ-chloro)-dichlorodipalladium(II) (**3c**):



Calixarene **3a** (56 mg, 90  $\mu$ mol) and palladium(II) chloride (17 mg, 90  $\mu$ mol) were suspended in a mixture of dichloromethane (10 mL) and methanol (2.5 mL) and refluxed for 18 h. After cooling the reaction mixture to room temperature the orange solution was filtered to remove insoluble materials and solvents were removed in vacuo to yield 35 mg of an orange solid. Single-crystals suitable for X ray diffraction were obtained by diffusion of methanol into a saturated solution of **3c** in dichloromethane.

(syn-distal-26,28-Dihydroxy-25-(2-pyridoxy)-27-(2-(4-methylpyridoxy))-calix[4]aren)palladium(II) chloride (**3b**):



A solution of palladium(II) chloride (21 mg, 0.118mmol) in dry acetonitrile (15 mL) was stirred under argon in a screw-capped vessel for 2 h at 60 °C. A solution of calixarene **3a** (70 mg, 0.118 mmol) in acetonitrile (10 mL) was added to the mixture and the resulting suspension was vigorously stirred for 24 hours at 60 °C. Subsequently, the suspension was filtered and the precipitate was washed three times with 5 mL of acetonitrile and three times with 20 mL of diethyl ether to yield a yellow solid (44 mg, 49 %). Orange

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single-crystals suitable for X ray diffraction were obtained by diffusion of diethyl ether into solution of **3b** in dichloromethane. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 2.30 ppm (s, 3H,  $-CH_3$ ), 3.35 und 3.37 (2 d, J = 13.6 und 13.4 Hz, 4H, Ar- $CH_2$ -Ar), 3.96 und 3.99 (2 d, J = 12.6 und 12.9 Hz, 4H, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 6.45 (s, 1H, Py-3'-H), 6.51 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Py-3-H), 6.63 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.84 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H, Py-5-H), 6.89 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H, Py-5'-H), 6.94-6.99 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.03-7.05 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H, ArH), 7.09-7.15 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Py-4-H), 8.41 (s, 2H, OH), 8.58 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H, Py-6'-H), 8.67 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H, Py-6-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 21.40 ppm (q, -CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.15 (t, Ar-CH<sub>2</sub>-Ar), 110.15 (d, Py-C-3), 110.36 (d, Py-C-3'), 119.11 (d, Py-C-5), 119.27 (d, ArC-H), 120.76 (d, Py-C-5'), 127.13 (d, ArC-H), 127.17 (d, ArC-H), 127.69 (s), 128.23 (d, ArC-H), 130.87 (d, ArC-H), 130.88 (d, ArC-H), 132.73 (s), 132.82 (s), 141.50 (d, Py-C-4), 147.33 (s), 147.40 (s), 151.23 (d, Py-C-6'), 152.13 (d, Py-C-6), 154.08 (s), 154.38 (s), 164.02 (s), 164.16 (s). IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3474$  (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>, 2920 (m), 2854 (w), 2142 (s), 1509 (s), 1449 (s), 1413 (s), 1357 (m), 1295 (w), 1245 (w), 1205 (w), 1106 (w), 805 (vw), 759 (vw). UV/Vis (*n*-hexane):  $\lambda_{max}$  (lg  $\epsilon$ ) = 277 nm (4.44), 234 (4.73). MS (FAB): m/z (%): 735.9 (12) [M - Cl + H<sup>+</sup>], 697.9 (10) [M - 2Cl + H<sup>+</sup>], 593 (8)  $[M - 2Cl - Pd + H^+]$ . Elemental analysis calcd. for  $C_{39}H_{32}Cl_2N_2O_4Pd^{1/2}CH_2Cl_2$  (812.47) g/mol): C 58.39, H 4.09, N 3.45. Found: C 58.49, H 3.79, N 3.41.

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## Selected NMR Spectra (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub> unless otherwise stated, 303K)







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