

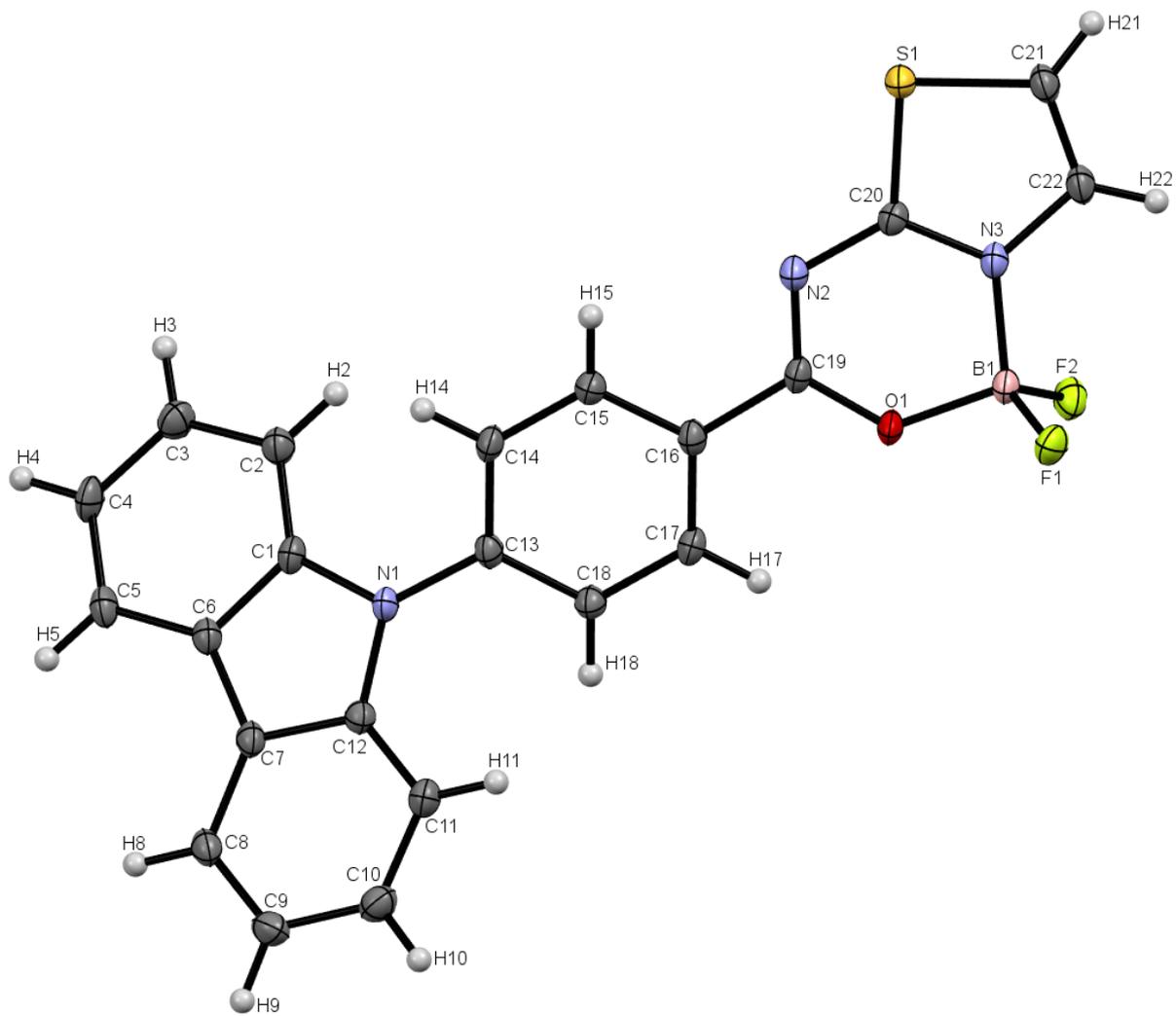
## *Supporting Information for*

### **Carbazole-modified thiazolo[3,2-*c*][1,3,5,2]oxadiazaborinines exhibiting aggregation-induced emission and mechanofluorochromism**

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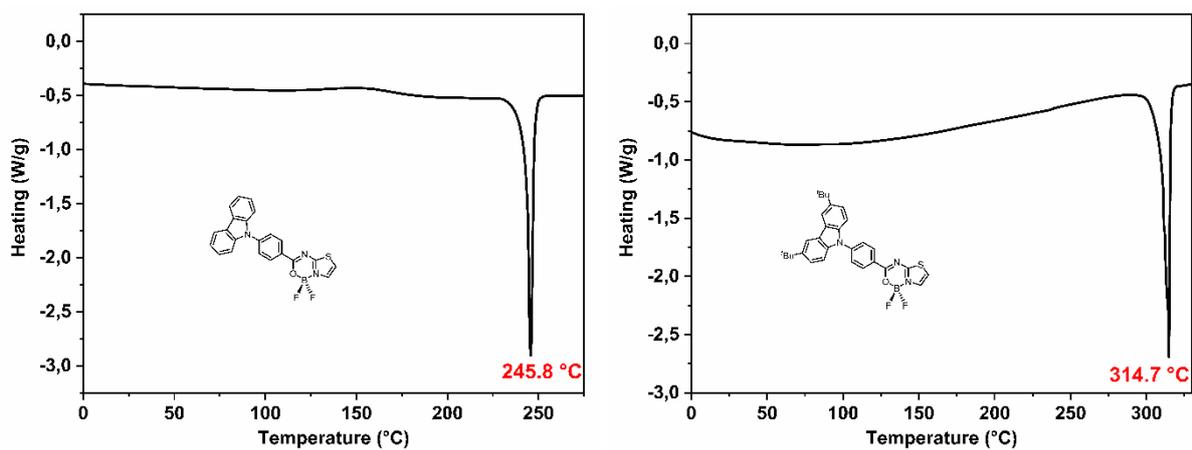
**Figure S1.** ORTEP diagram of complex **2**. The ellipsoid contour of probability level is 50%.

**Table S1. Crystal data of complex 2.**

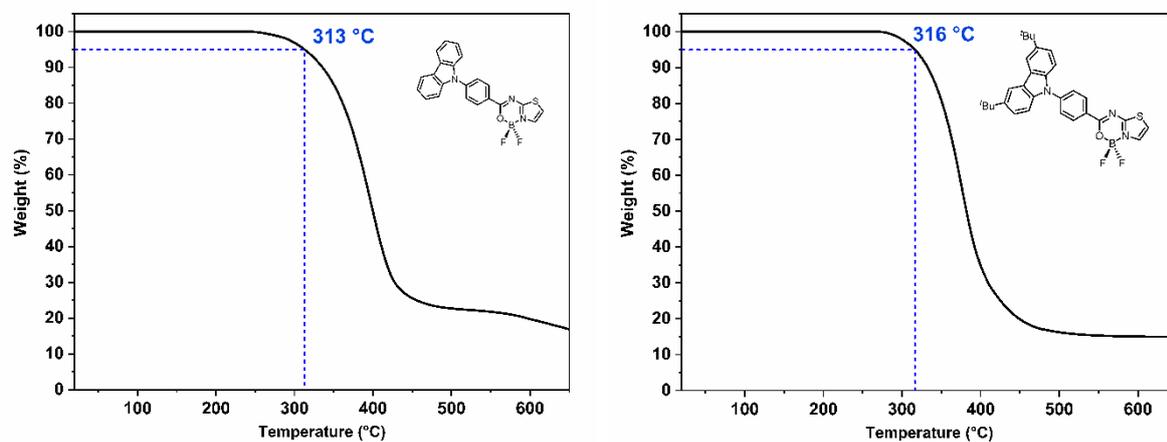
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Formula weight	417.2389	
CCDC No.	CCDC 2013916	
Wavelength	1.54184	
Crystal system	monoclinic	
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 13.71398(13) \text{ \AA}$	$\beta = 93.2060(9)^\circ$
	$b = 15.00188(15) \text{ \AA}$	
	$c = 9.01525(8) \text{ \AA}$	
Volume	1851.86(3) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density Calc.	1.4965 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.905 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	856	
Crystal	Yellow block	
Crystal size	0.3 × 0.2 × 0.06 mm	
Index ranges	-16 ≤ h ≤ 16, -18 ≤ k ≤ 18, -8 ≤ l ≤ 10	
Reflections collected (all / independent)	17802 / 3517 [ $R_{int} = 0.0658$ ]	
Absorption correction	multi-scan	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on $F^2$	
Restraints / parameters	0 / 271	
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.0537	
Final R indices [ $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0367$ , $\omega R_2 = 0.0994$	
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0370$ , $\omega R_2 = 0.0998$	

**Table S2. Selected geometrical parameters of compound 2 obtained from crystallography.**

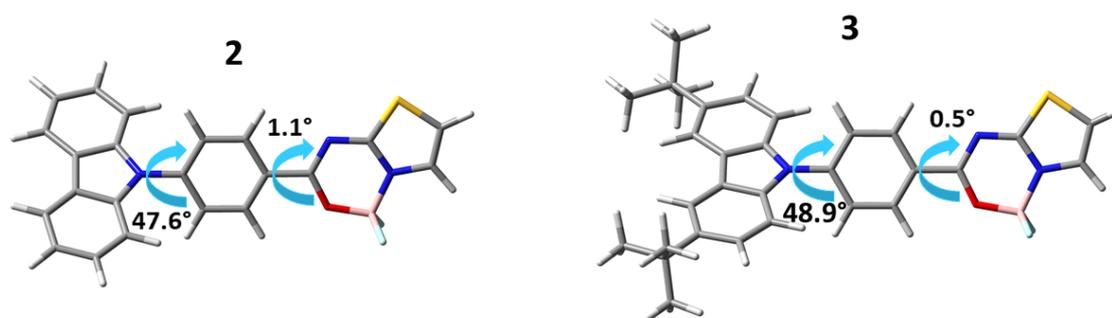
The B-N bond distance (Å)	1.559(2)
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The B-F bond distances (Å)	1.371(2) 1.379(2)
The O-B-N angle (deg)	106.6(1)
The N-B-F angles (deg)	109.4(1) 111.2(1)
The angles O-B-F (deg)	109.3(1) 109.4(1)
The F-B-F angle (deg)	110.8(1)
The C1-N1-C13-C14 torsion angle (deg)	46.8(2)
The C12-N1-C13-C18 torsion angle (deg)	43.8(2)
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The C17-C16-C19-O1 torsion angle (deg)	0.4(2)



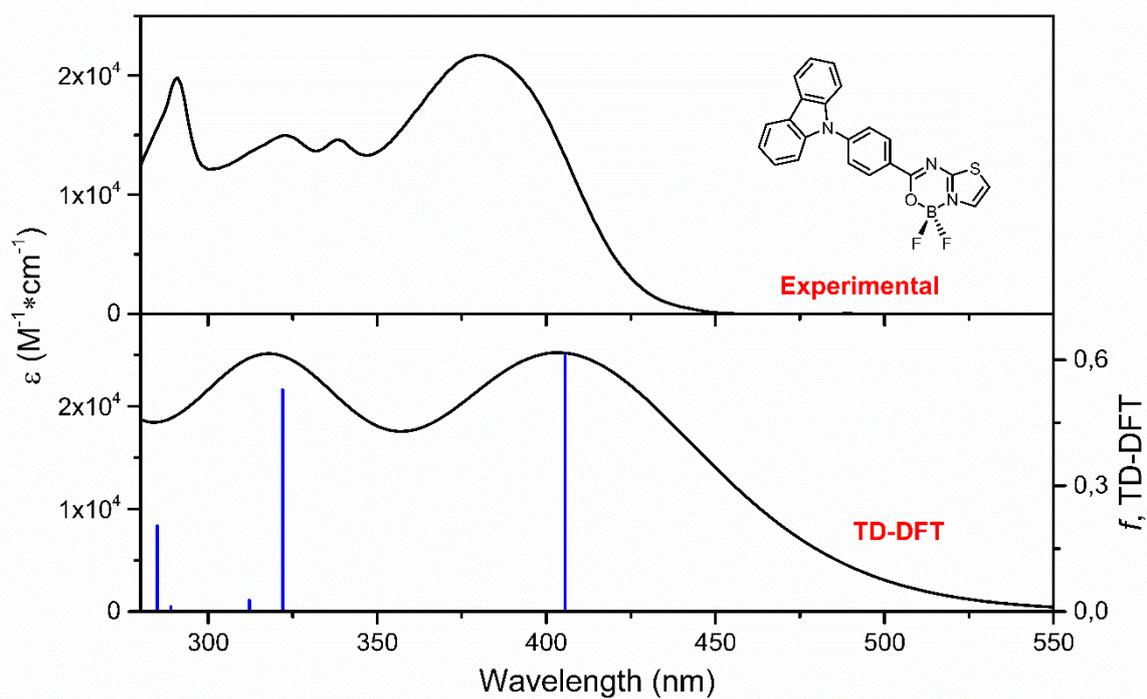
**Figure S2.** DSC thermograms of complexes 2 and 3.



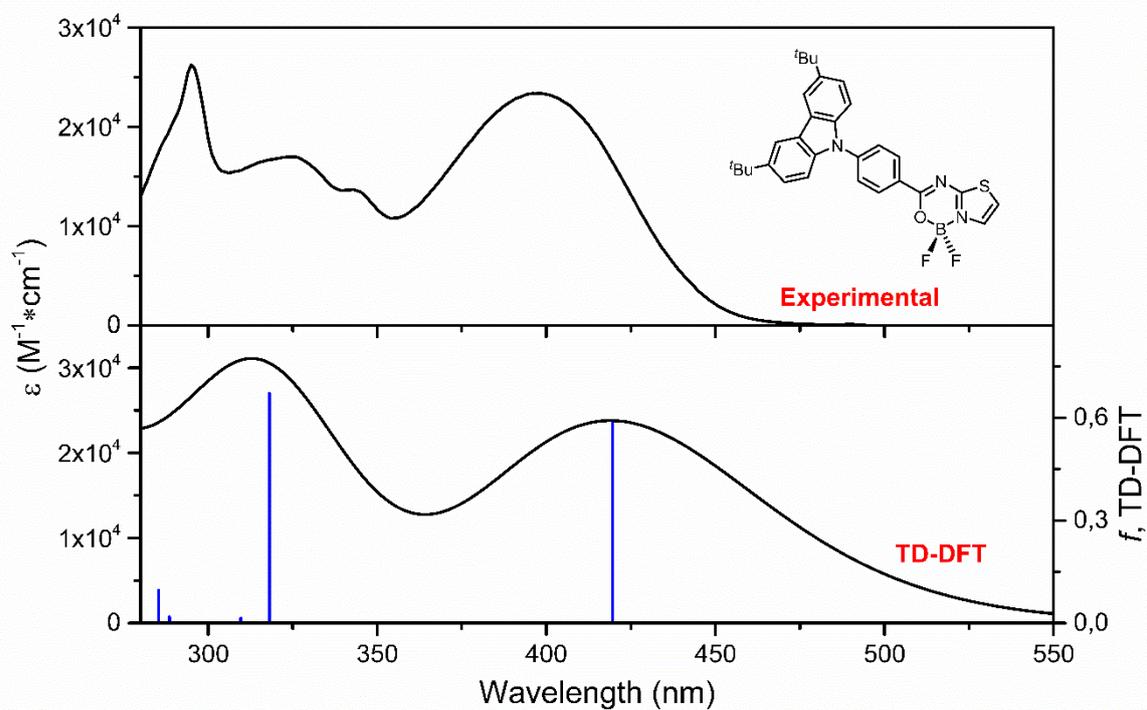
**Figure S3.** TGA curves of complexes 2 and 3.



**Figure S4.** DFT-optimized structures of compounds 2 and 3.



**Figure S5.** Experimental (top) and TD-DFT-predicted (bottom) absorption spectra of complex **2** in DCM.



**Figure S6.** Experimental (top) and TD-DFT-predicted (bottom) absorption spectra of complex **3** in DCM.

**Table S3.** Calculated properties of the 12 lowest singlet excited states for complexes **2** and **3** determined through TD-DFT.

Comp.	Transition	Energy (eV)	Wavelength (nm)	Oscillator strength	Expansion coefficients for single-electron excitations*
<b>2</b>	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>1</sub>	3.0572	405.54	0.6111	0.69443 H→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>2</sub>	3.5238	351.84	0.0004	0.70149 H-1→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>3</sub>	3.8500	322.04	0.5292	0.69353 H-2→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>4</sub>	3.9713	312.20	0.0273	-0.16514 H-1→L+4 / 0.67579 H-1→L+1
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>5</sub>	4.2903	288.98	0.0114	-0.42420 H-4→L / -0.13168 H-3→L / 0.42610 H→L+2 / 0.30000 H→L+3
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>6</sub>	4.3514	284.93	0.2045	-0.12580 H-3→L / 0.62966 H-1→L+1 / 0.24231 H→L+4
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>7</sub>	4.5648	271.61	0.0184	0.28679 H-4→L / 0.48698 H-3→L / 0.38867 H→L+2
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>8</sub>	4.6136	268.74	0.0379	-0.39828 H-4→L / 0.46634 H-3→L / -0.29601 H→L+2 / 0.11428 H→L+4
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>9</sub>	4.7004	263.77	0.0061	0.60298 H-7→L / 0.11457 H→L+2 / -0.30321 H→L+3
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>10</sub>	4.7112	263.17	0.0105	0.34658 H-7→L / 0.16048 H-4→L / -0.20179 H→L+2 / 0.52547 H→L+3 / -0.10902 H→L+5
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>11</sub>	4.8783	254.15	0.1575	0.68039 H-5→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>12</sub>	4.9281	251.59	0.1091	0.15092 H-3→L+1 / 0.56387 H-1→L+2 / 0.10475 H-1→L+5 / 0.13297 H-1→L+7 / -0.31095 H→L+4
<b>3a</b>	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>1</sub>	2.9549	419.58	0.5850	0.69692 H→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>2</sub>	3.3697	367.94	0.0001	0.70231 H-1→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>3</sub>	3.8970	318.15	0.6714	0.69001 H-2→L / 0.10825 H→L+1
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>4</sub>	4.0044	309.62	0.0146	-0.10647 H-2→L / 0.16595 H-1→L+4 / 0.67087 H→L+1
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>5</sub>	4.2970	288.53	0.0179	-0.38441 H-4→L / -0.25852 H-3→L / 0.14454 H- 1→L+1 / 0.38523 H→L+2 / -0.30035 H→L+3
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>6</sub>	4.3460	285.28	0.0963	0.16959 H-4→L / -0.40894 H-3→L / 0.46259 H-1→L+1 / -0.18103 H→L+2 / 0.13145 H→L+3 / -0.14605 H→L+4
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>7</sub>	4.4358	279.51	0.1864	0.50503 H-3→L / 0.43721 H-1→L+1 / -0.17908 H→L+4
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>8</sub>	4.5851	270.41	0.0385	0.48858 H-4→L / 0.47951 H→L+2
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>9</sub>	4.6830	264.75	0.0267	-0.21343 H-4→L / 0.24046 H→L+2 / 0.60252 H→L+3 / -0.11382 H→L+5
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>10</sub>	4.7262	262.33	0.0000	0.69340 H-7→L
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>11</sub>	4.8840	253.86	0.1310	0.65223 H-5→L / -0.18076 H-1→L+2
	S <sub>0</sub> →S <sub>12</sub>	4.8974	253.16	0.0277	0.19508 H-5→L / -0.11108 H-3→L+1 / 0.61448 H-1→L+2 / -0.19157 H-1→L+3 / 0.12131 H→L+4

\*H – HOMO, L – LUMO.

**Optimized geometry for compound 2 obtained using the M06 method and def2tzvp basis set with the inclusion of DCM solvent effect through the conductor-like polarizable continuum model (CPCM).**

Symbolic Z-matrix:

C	1.00004	-1.05748	0.69617
C	-0.38657	-1.09531	0.70556
C	-1.12816	-0.10358	0.04957
C	-0.45331	0.92322	-0.62583
C	0.9311	0.95654	-0.64918
C	1.66946	-0.03147	0.01701
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H	-1.03558	1.68724	-1.14584
H	1.45573	1.7431	-1.19789
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N	-3.261	0.82589	-0.53562
N	-5.31304	-0.19137	0.1059
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C	4.45979	3.35918	0.90955
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C	6.20541	1.76341	0.37145
C	6.01666	-2.78634	-0.87817
H	4.46797	-4.24927	-1.24829
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H	4.17535	4.36756	1.22399
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Imaginary Frequency = 0

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**Optimized geometry for compound 3 obtained using the M06 method and def2tzvp basis set with the inclusion of DCM solvent effect through the conductor-like polarizable continuum model (CPCM).**

Symbolic Z-matrix:

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H	-2.61461	-1.60967	1.57893
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C	-6.30584	0.63374	-0.64191
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F	-6.63664	-2.45873	0.79787
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H	2.54969	4.47525	0.33168
H	5.5734	1.3943	0.08276
N	1.36637	-0.00564	-0.02501
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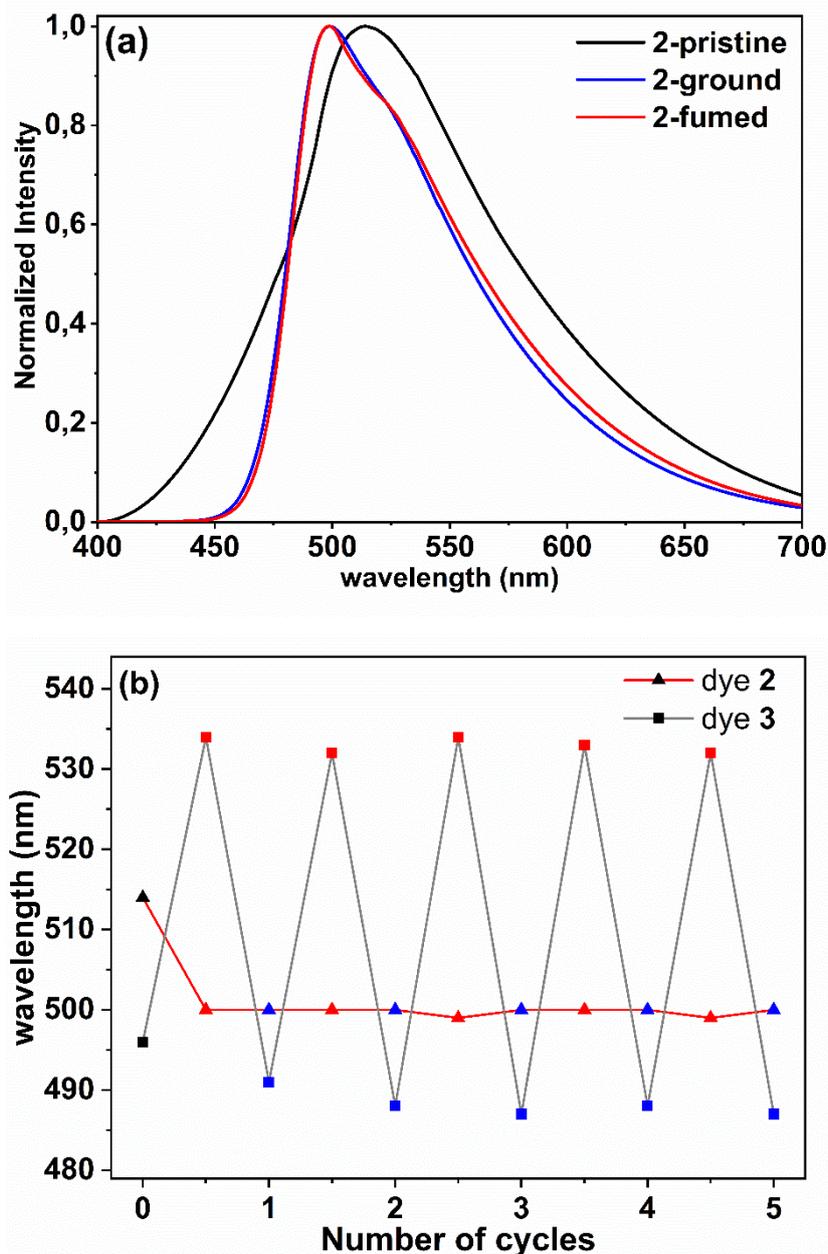
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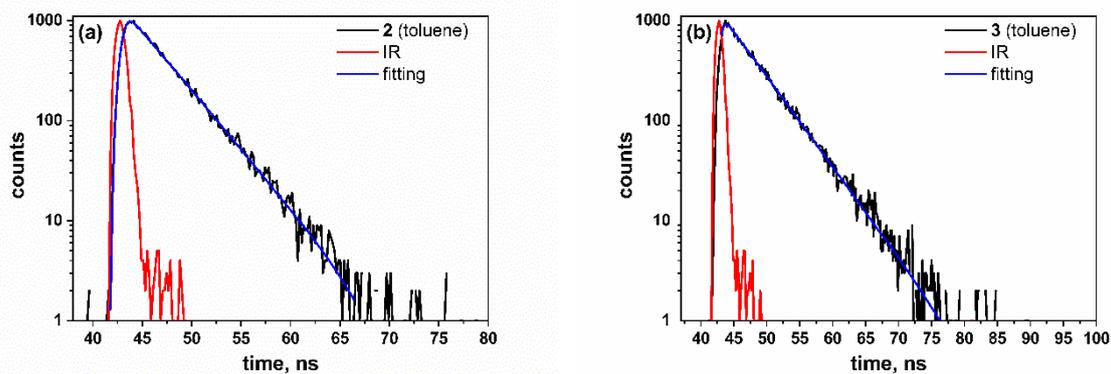
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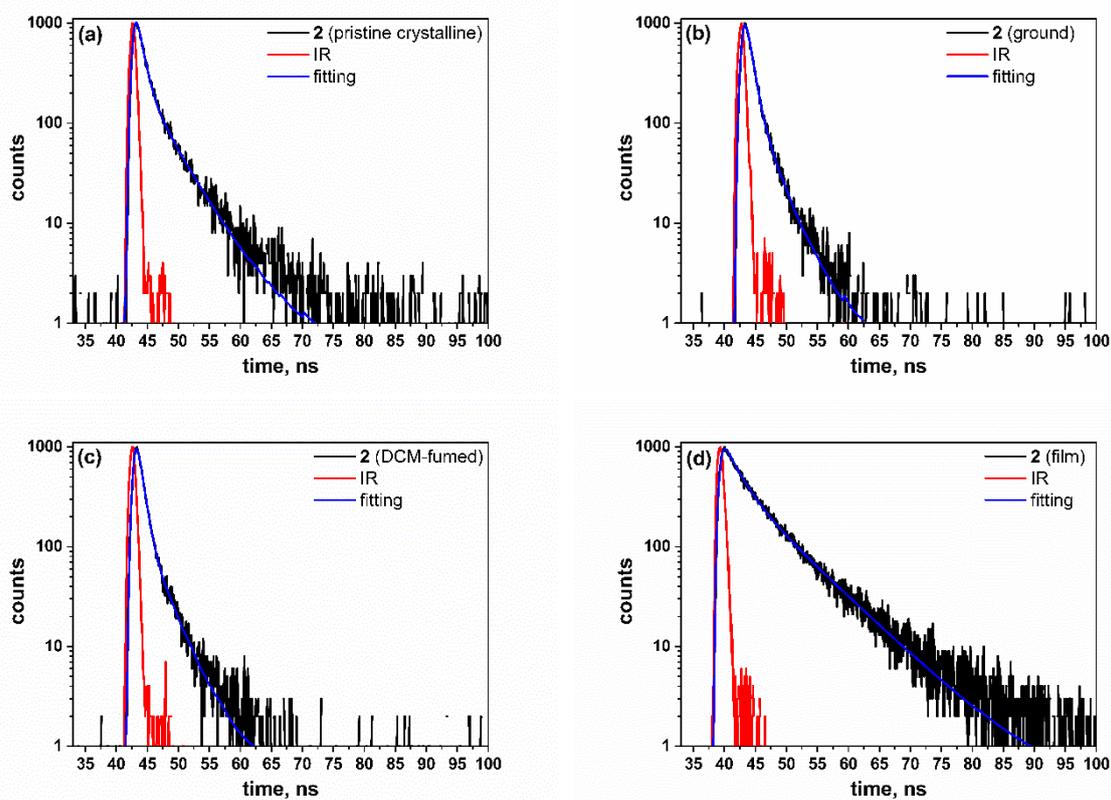
**Figure S7.** (a) Normalized emission spectra of dye **2** in different solid states ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 374$  nm). (b) Reversible switching of solid-state emission of dyes **2** and **3** by repeated grinding/DCM-fuming cycles.

**Table S4.** Fluorescence properties of complex **2** in the solid states.

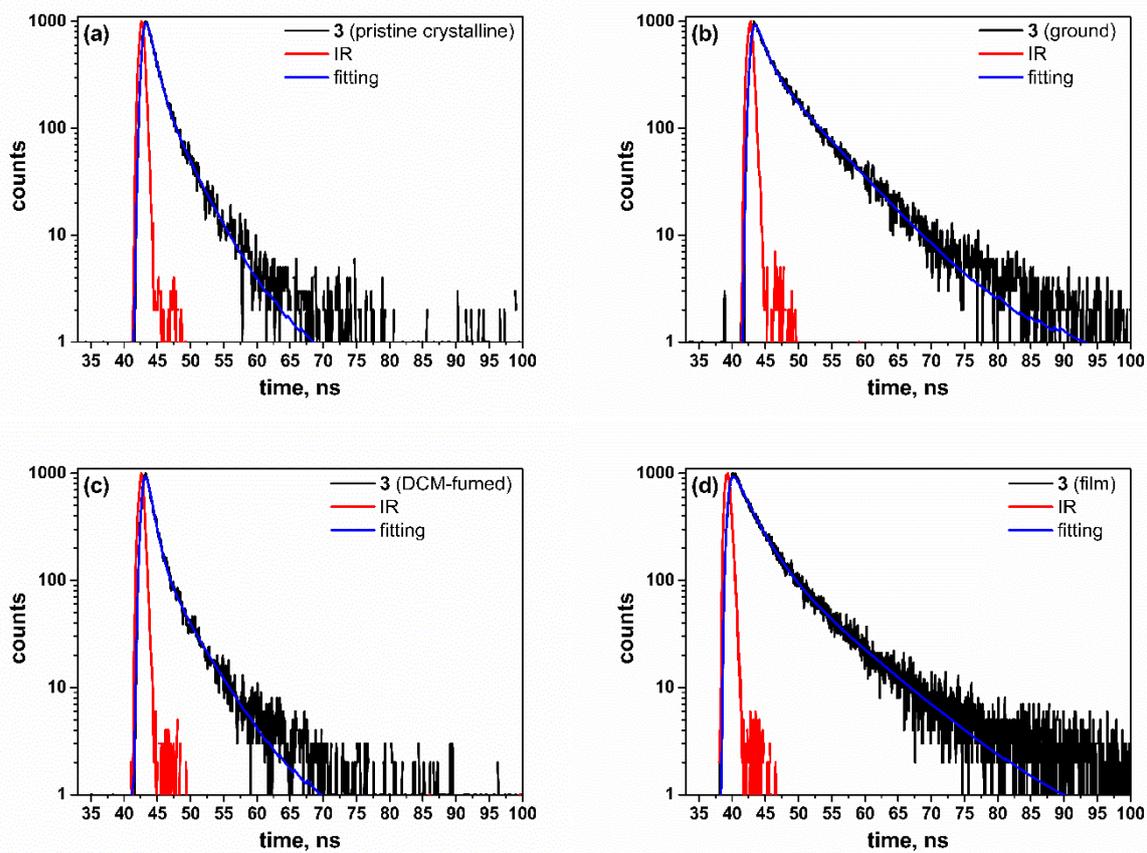
State	$\lambda_{\text{em}}$ , nm	PLQY <sub>solid</sub>	$\tau$ , ns	$\alpha_1/\alpha_2$
pristine crystalline	514	0.26	0.99, 4.28	57.65/42.35
ground	500	0.24	0.94, 3.07	75.46/24.54
DCM-fumed	500	0.23	0.84, 3.07	74.57/25.43
film	514	0.24	2.30, 7.42	33.83/66.17



**Figure S8.** Fluorescence decay of complexes **2** and **3** in toluene solutions.



**Figure S9.** Fluorescence decay of complex **2** in the solid states: (a) pristine crystalline; (b) ground sample; (c) DCM-fumed sample; (d) film.



**Figure S10.** Fluorescence decay of complex **3** in the solid states: (a) pristine crystalline; (b) ground sample; (c) DCM-fumed sample; (d) film.

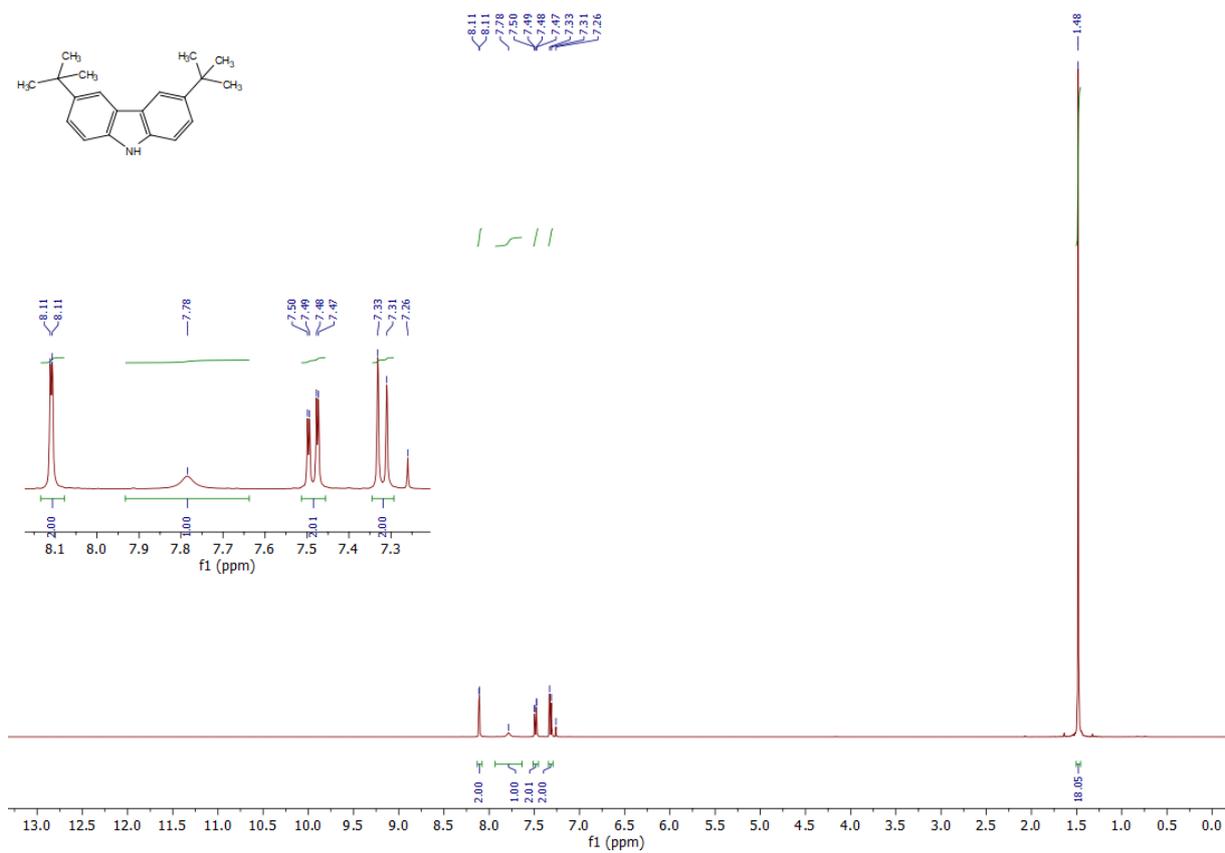


Figure S11. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 5.

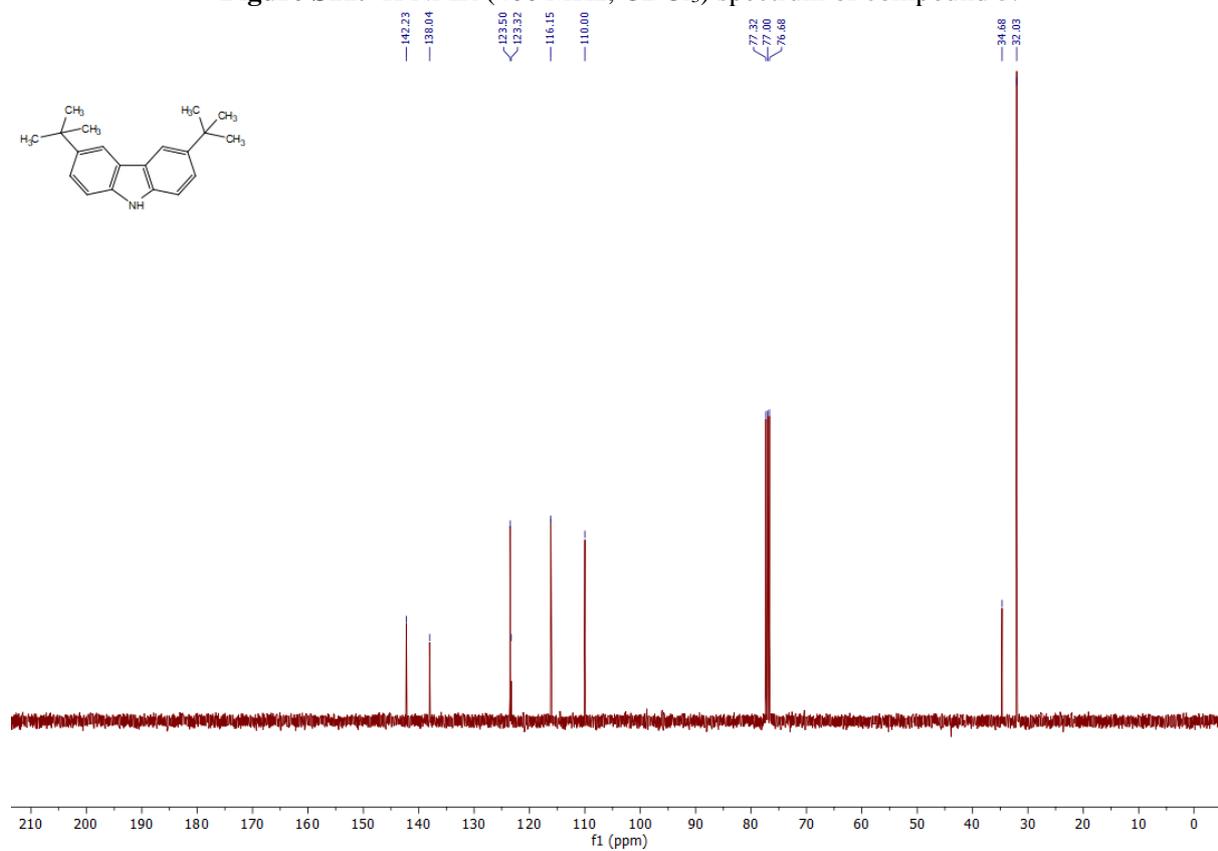


Figure S12. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 5.

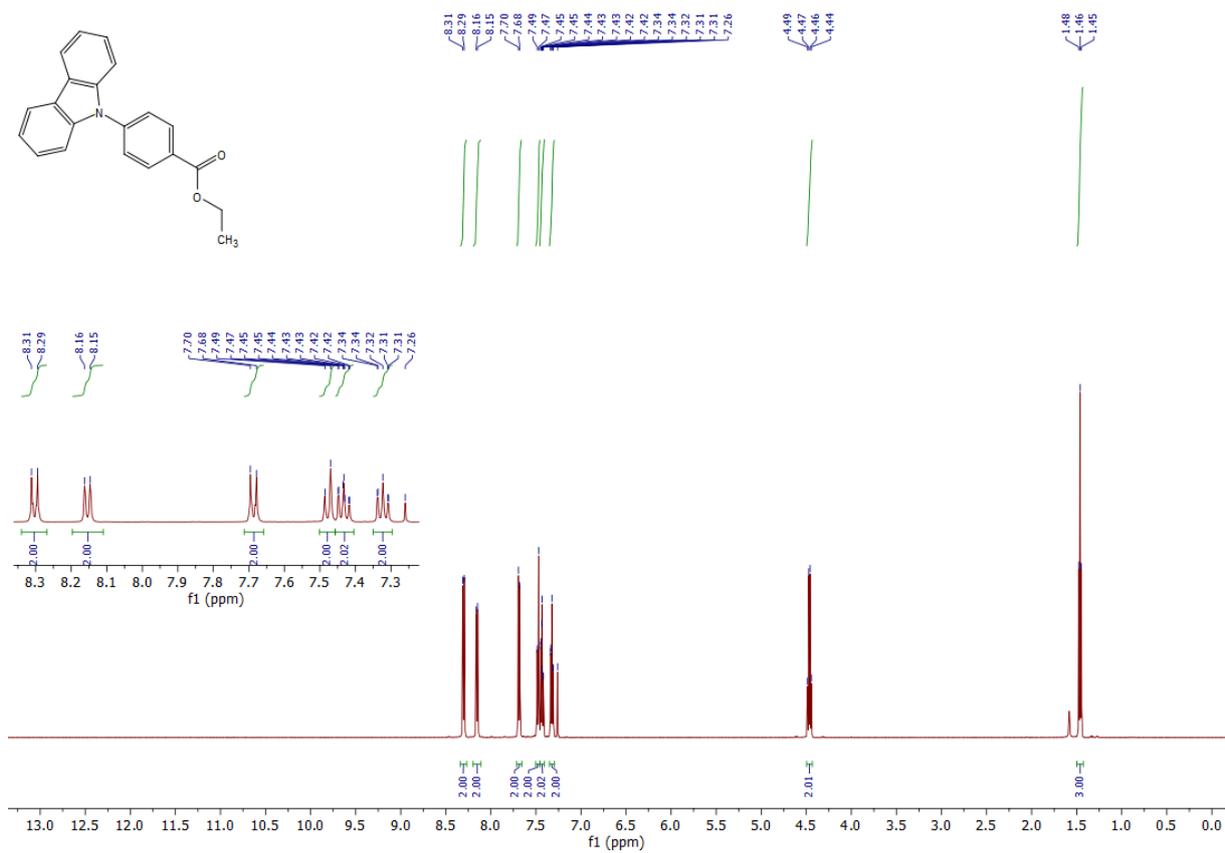


Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 7.

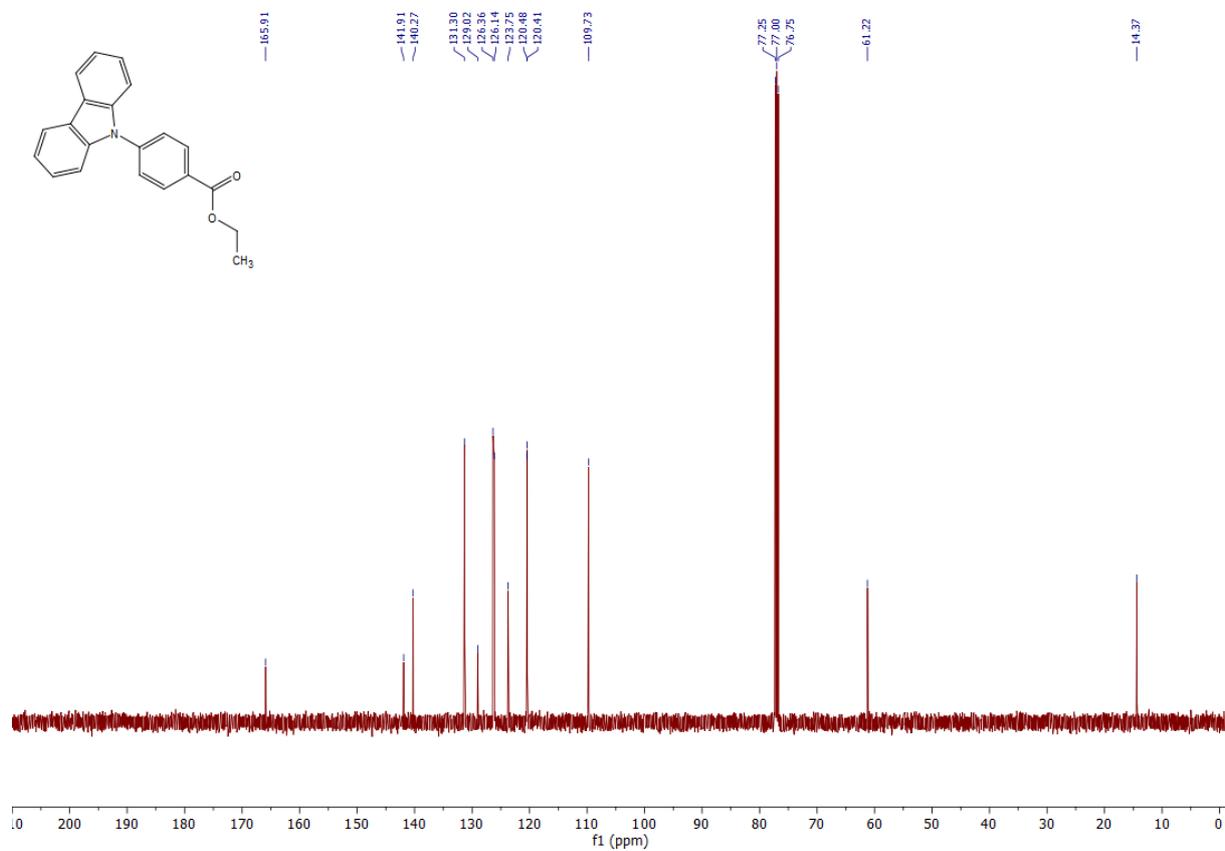
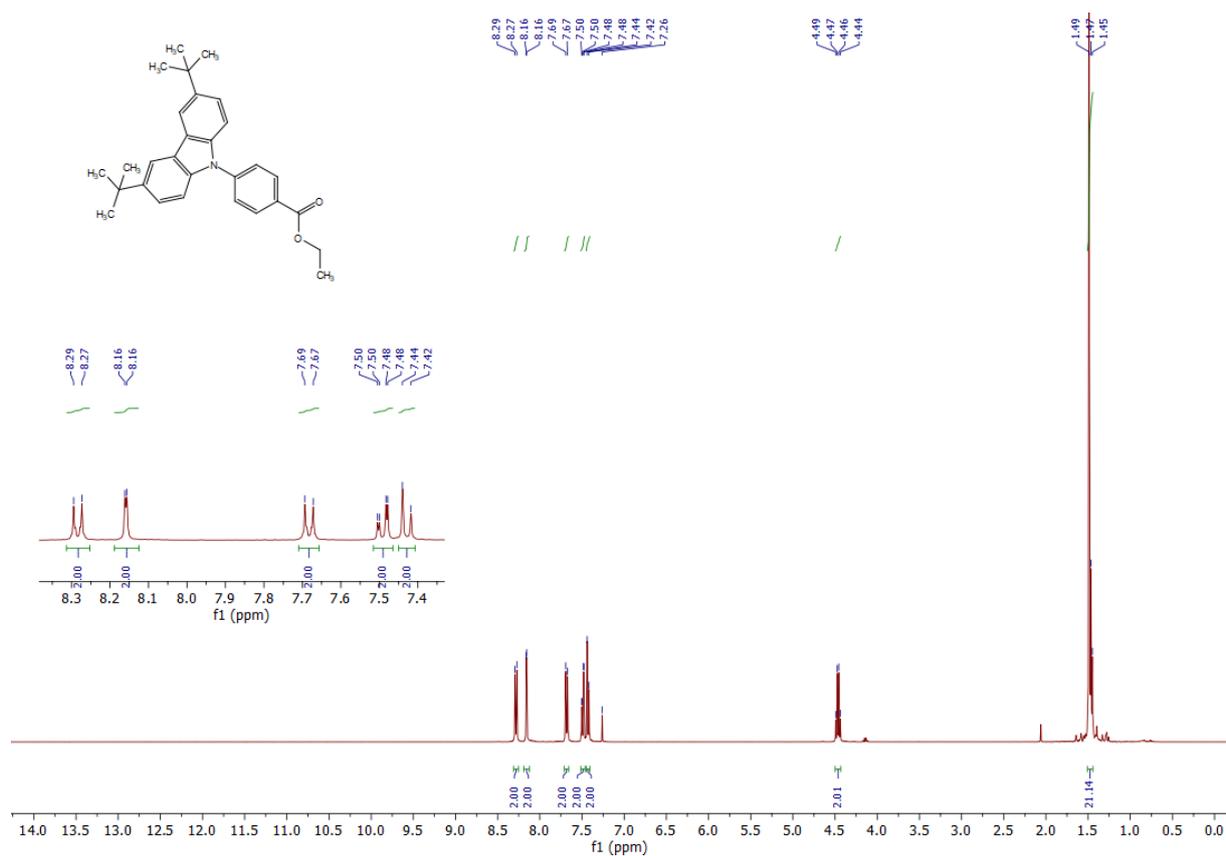
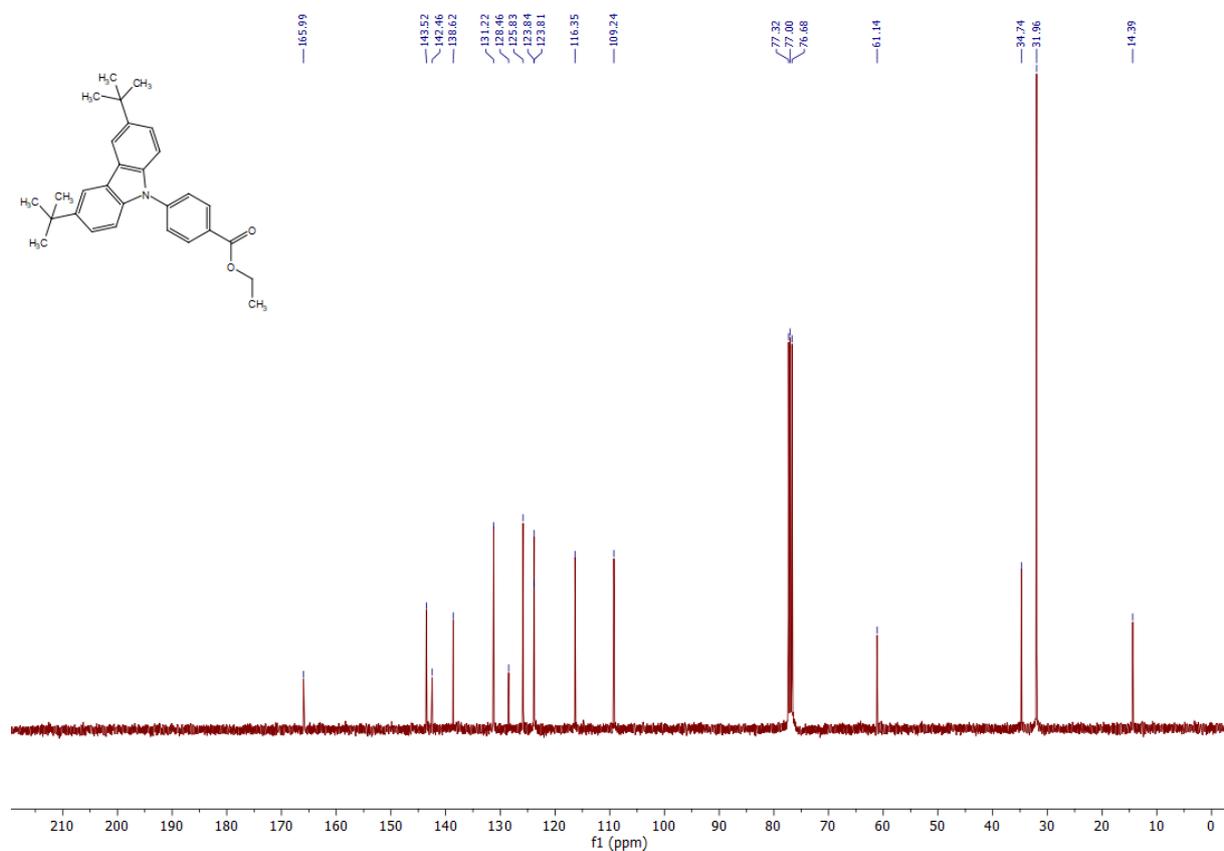


Figure S14. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 7.



**Figure S15.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **8**.



**Figure S16.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **8**.

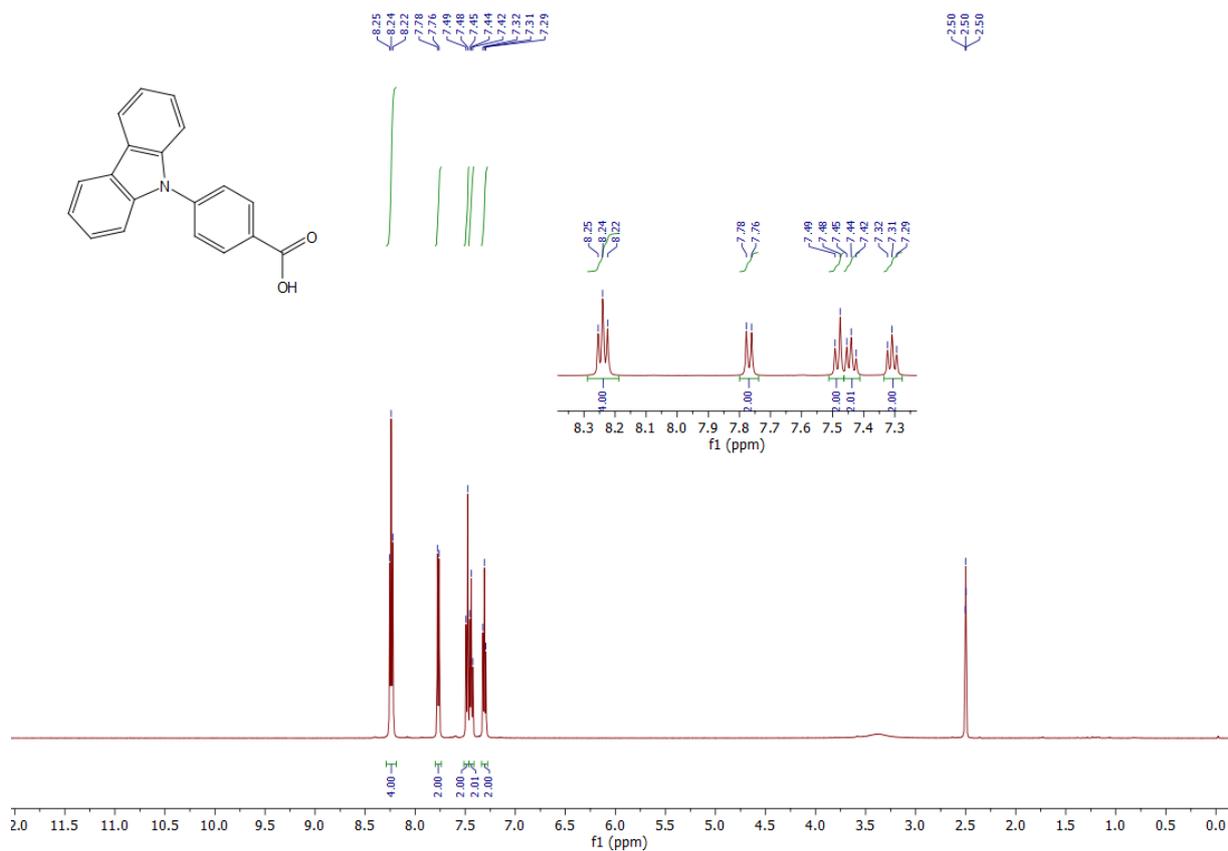


Figure S17. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) spectrum of compound 9.

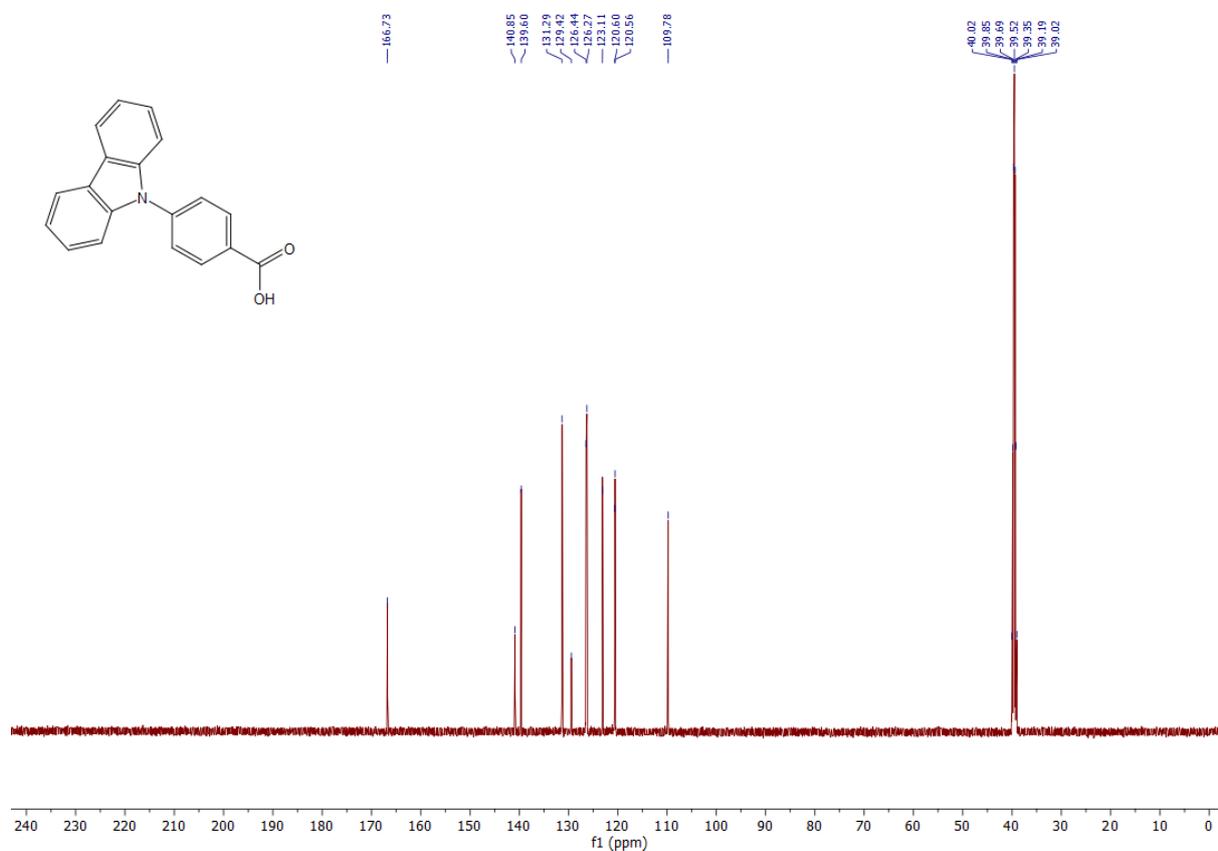
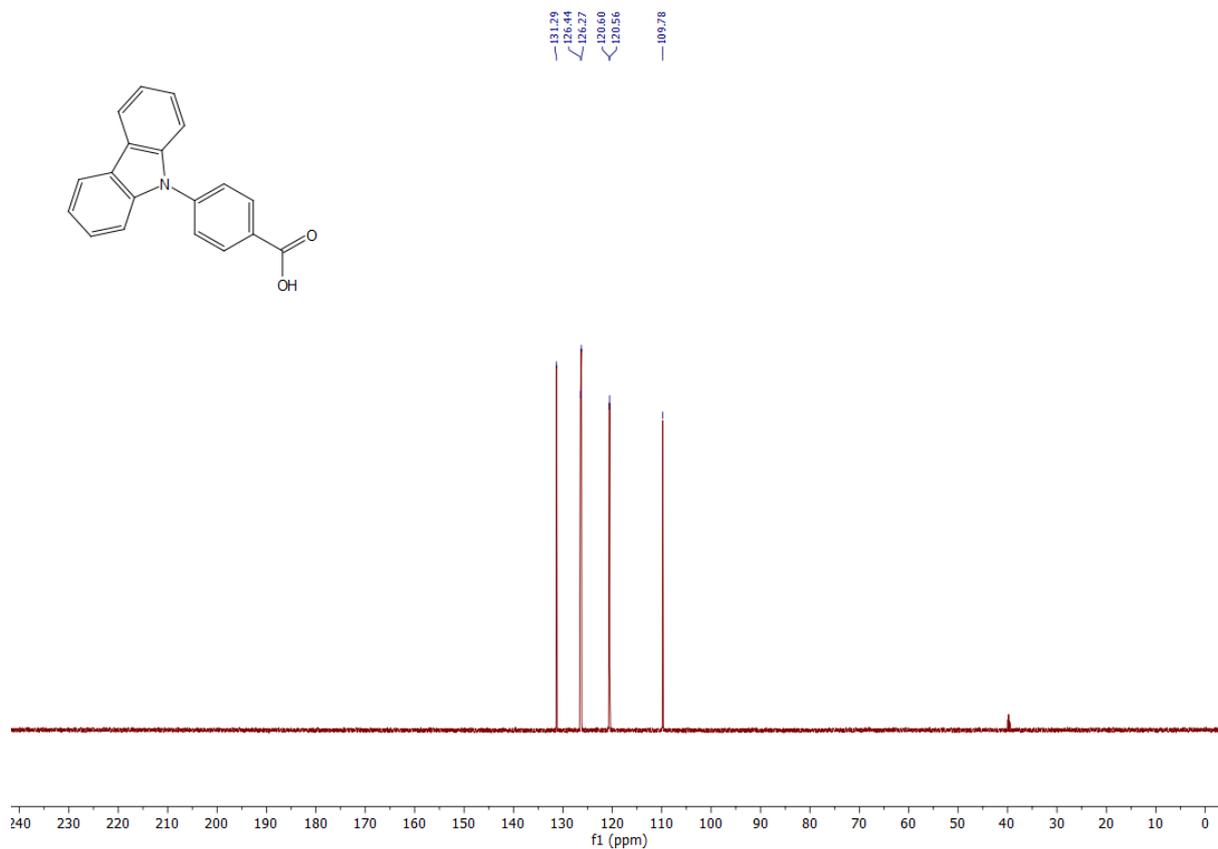
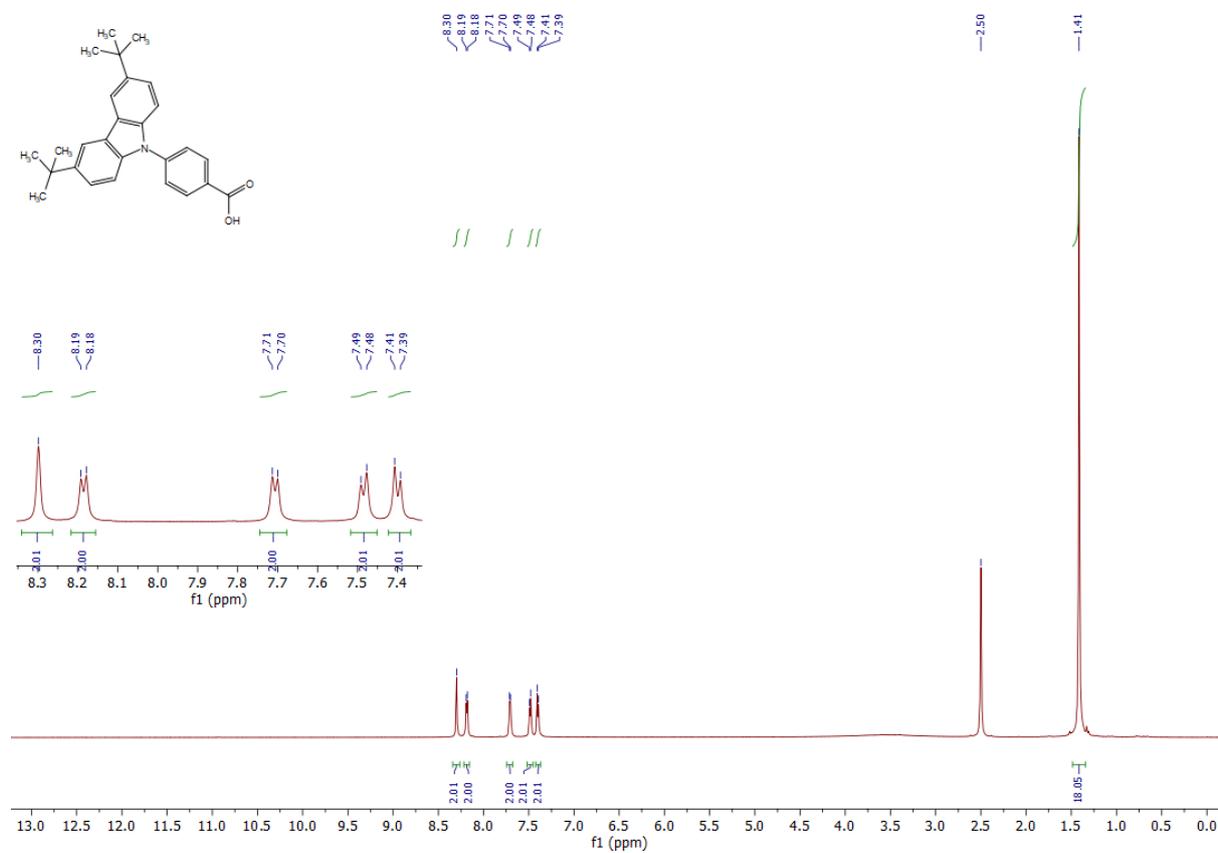


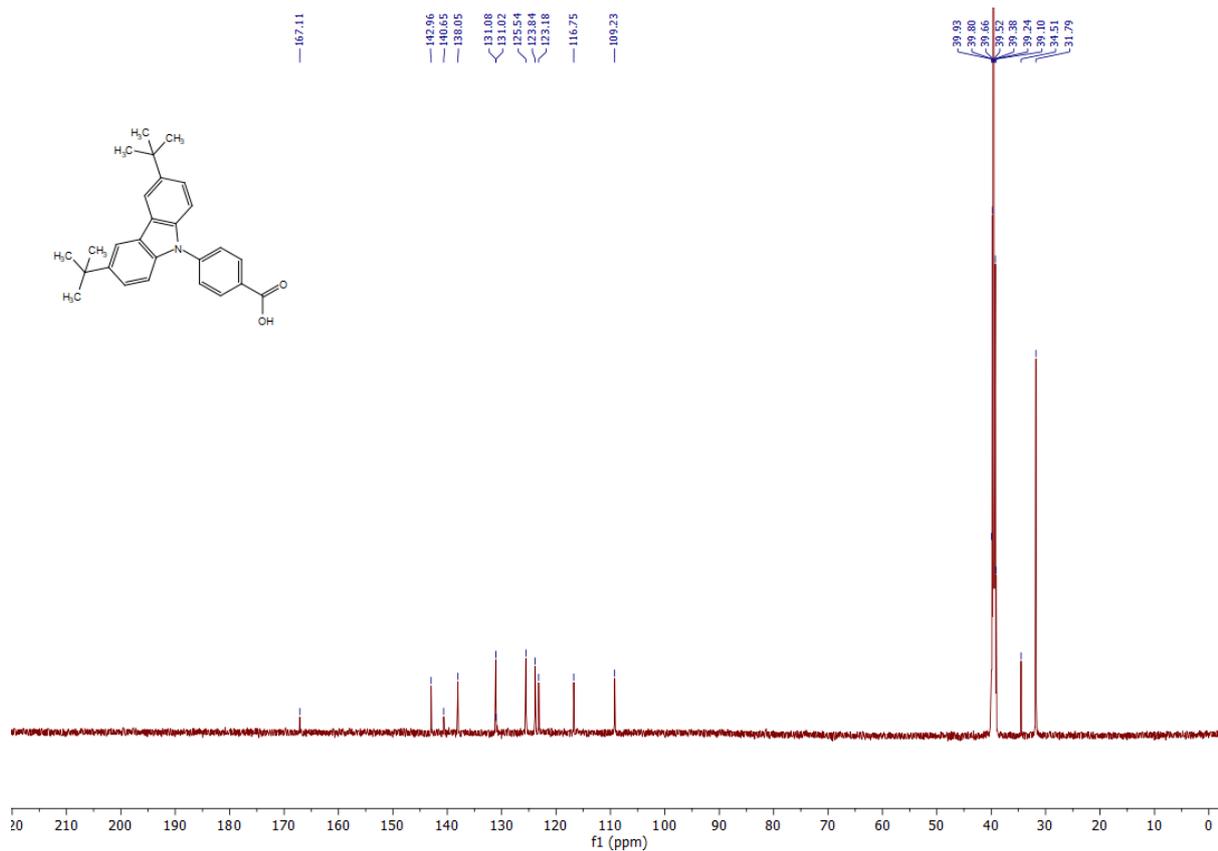
Figure S18. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) spectrum of compound 9.



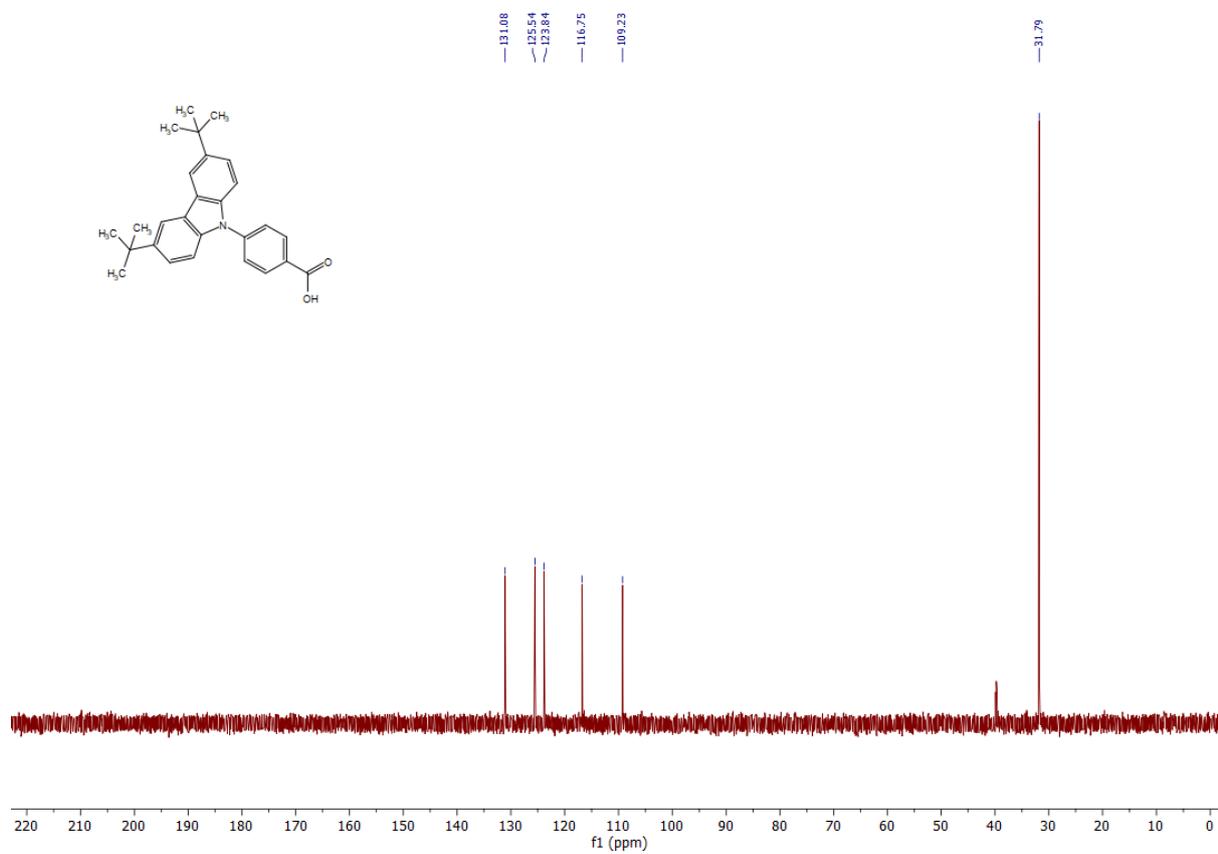
**Figure S19.** DEPT135 NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ) spectrum of compound 9.



**Figure S20.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ) spectrum of compound 10.



**Figure S21.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) spectrum of compound 10.



**Figure S22.** DEPT135 NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) spectrum of compound 10.

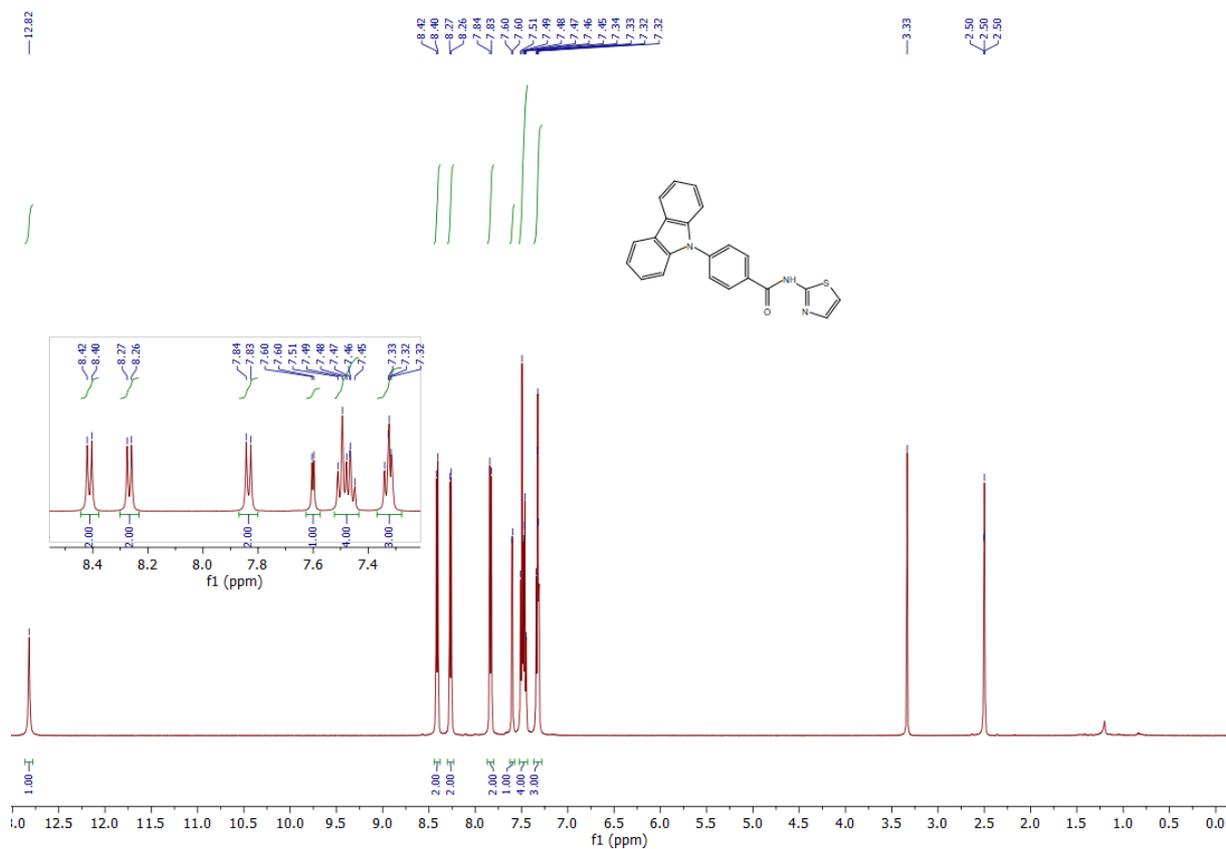


Figure S23. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) spectrum of compound 12.

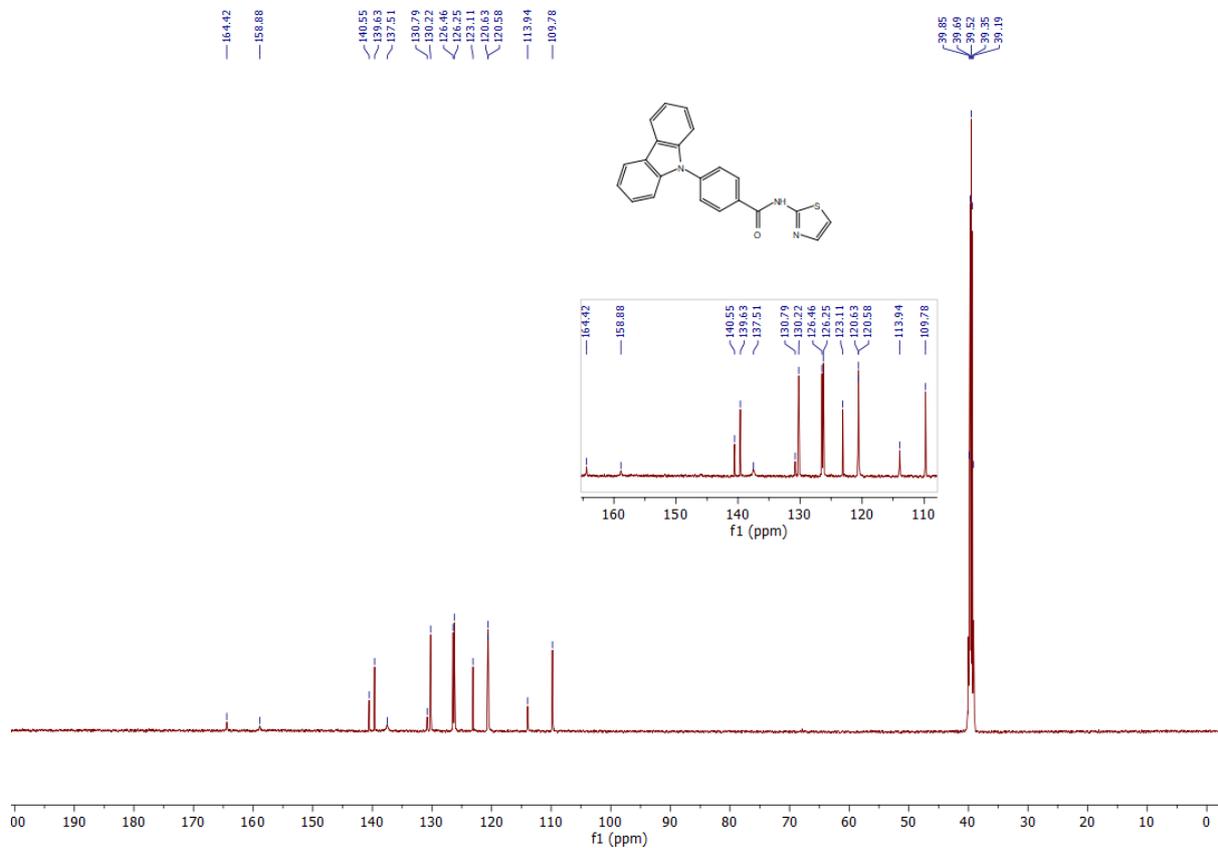


Figure S24. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) spectrum of compound 12.

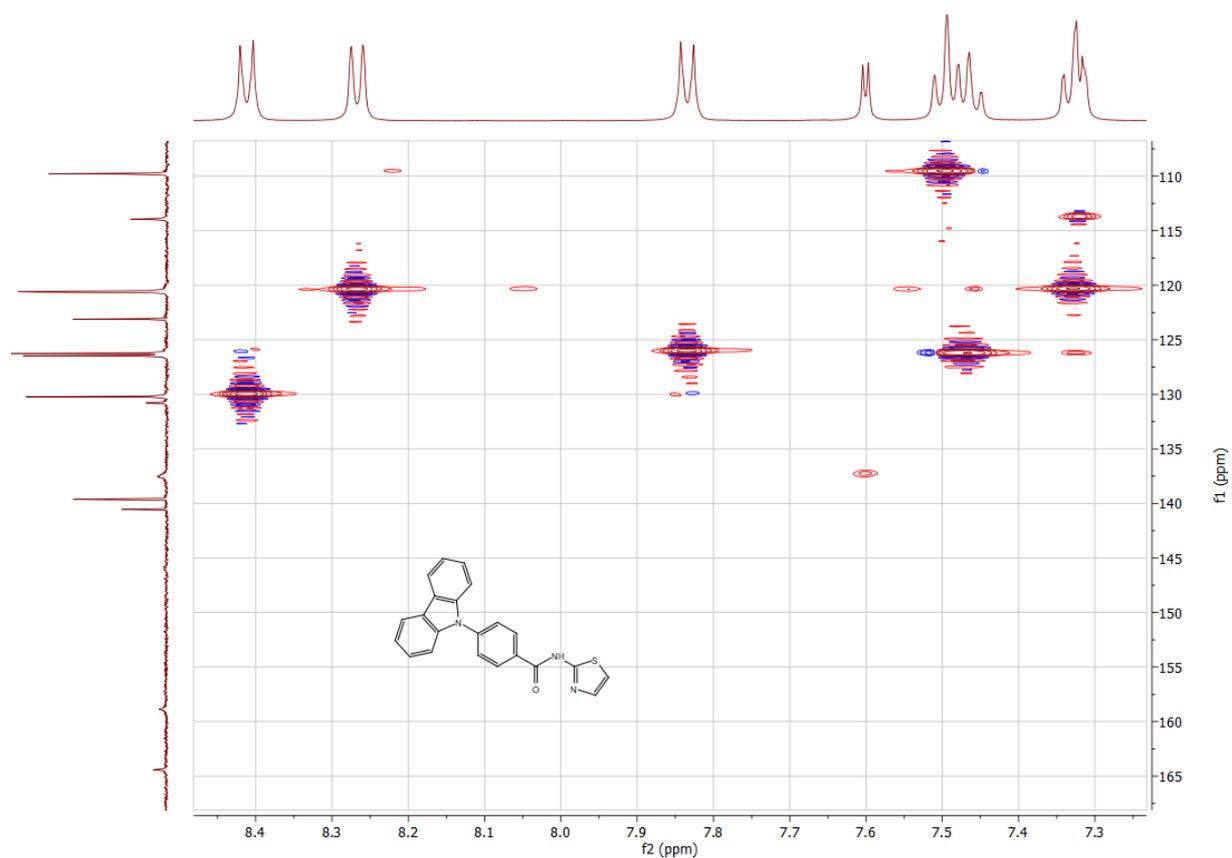


Figure S25.  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HSQC NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) spectrum of compound 12.

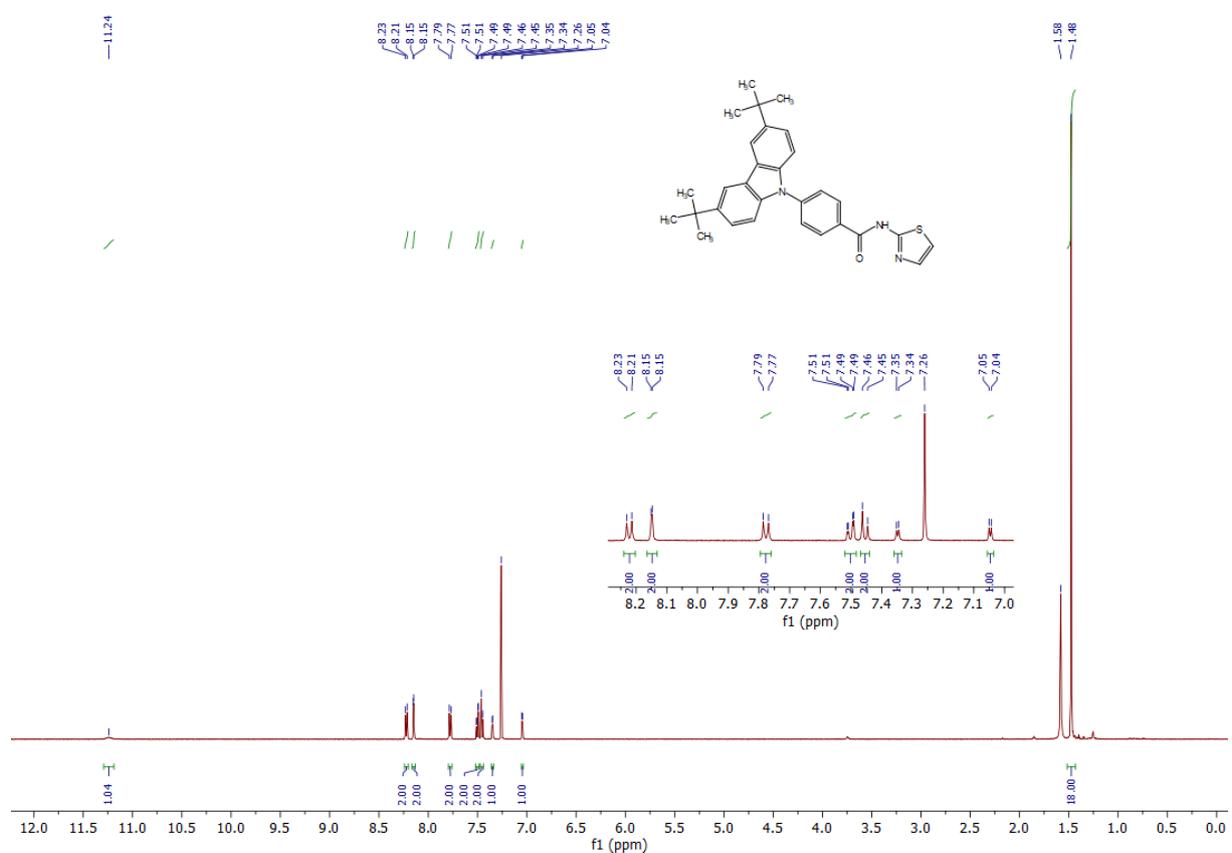
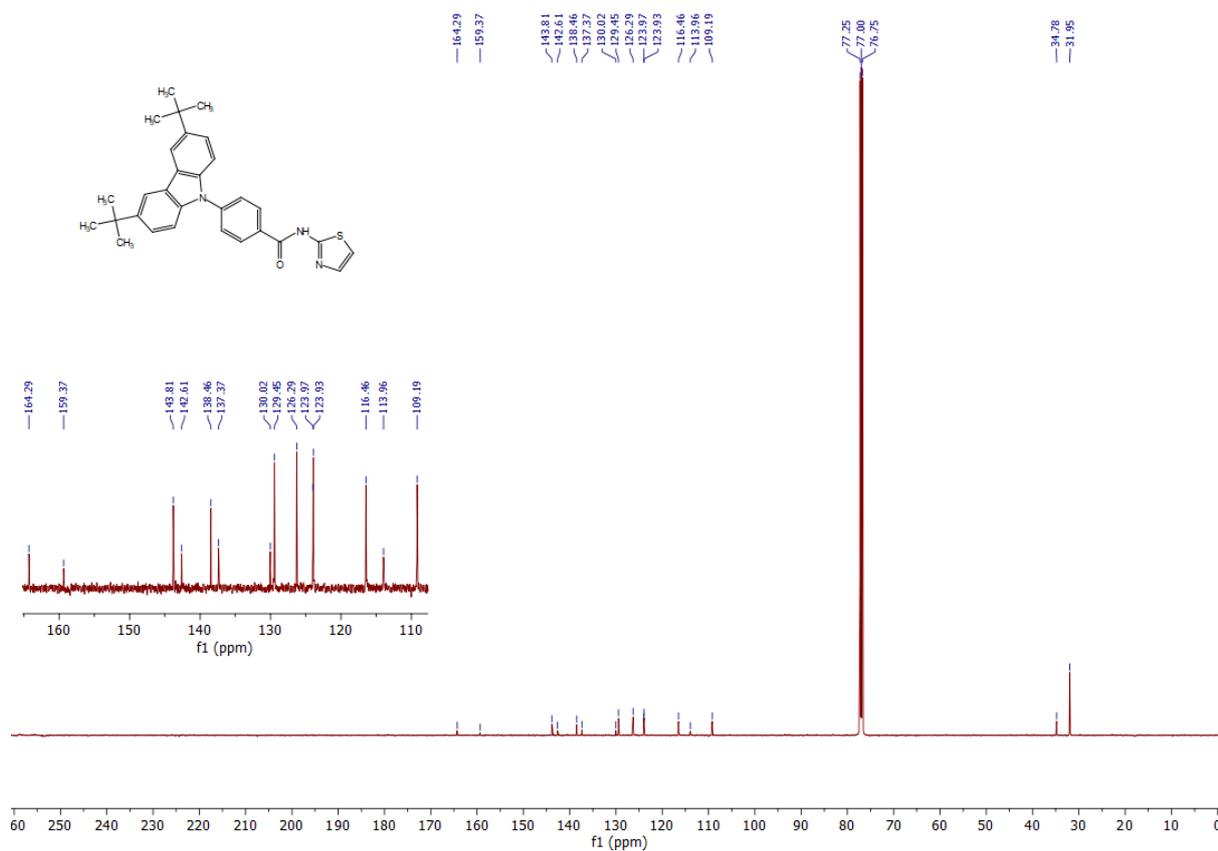
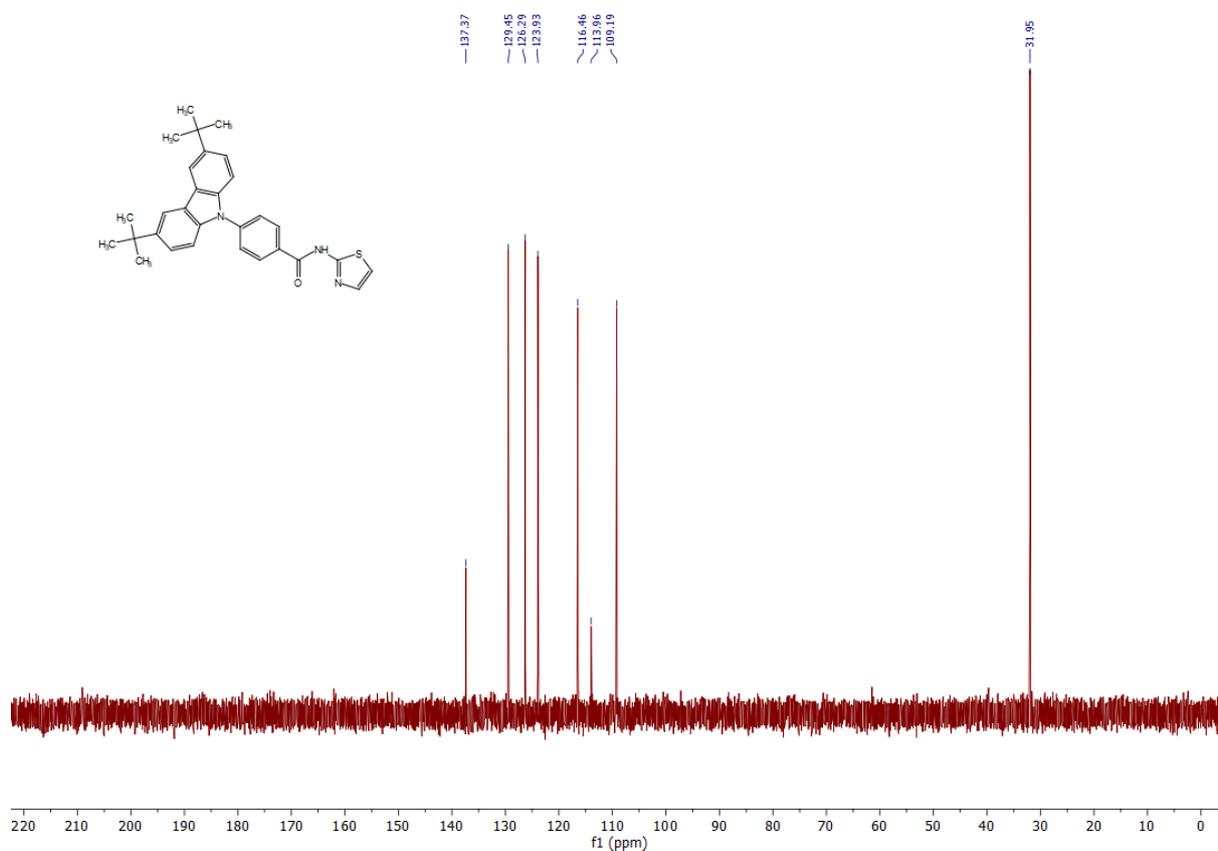


Figure S26.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound 13.



**Figure S27.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 13.



**Figure S28.** DEPT135 NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 13.

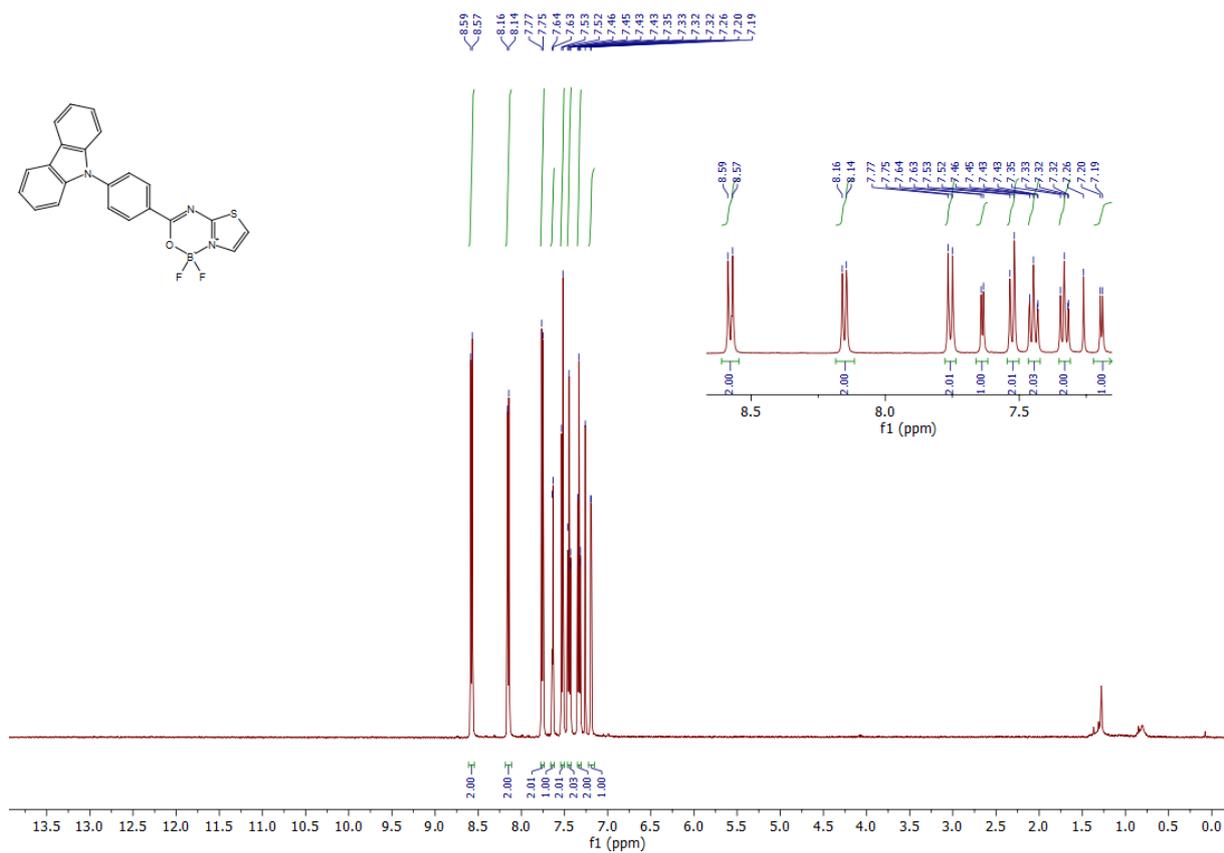


Figure S29. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 2.

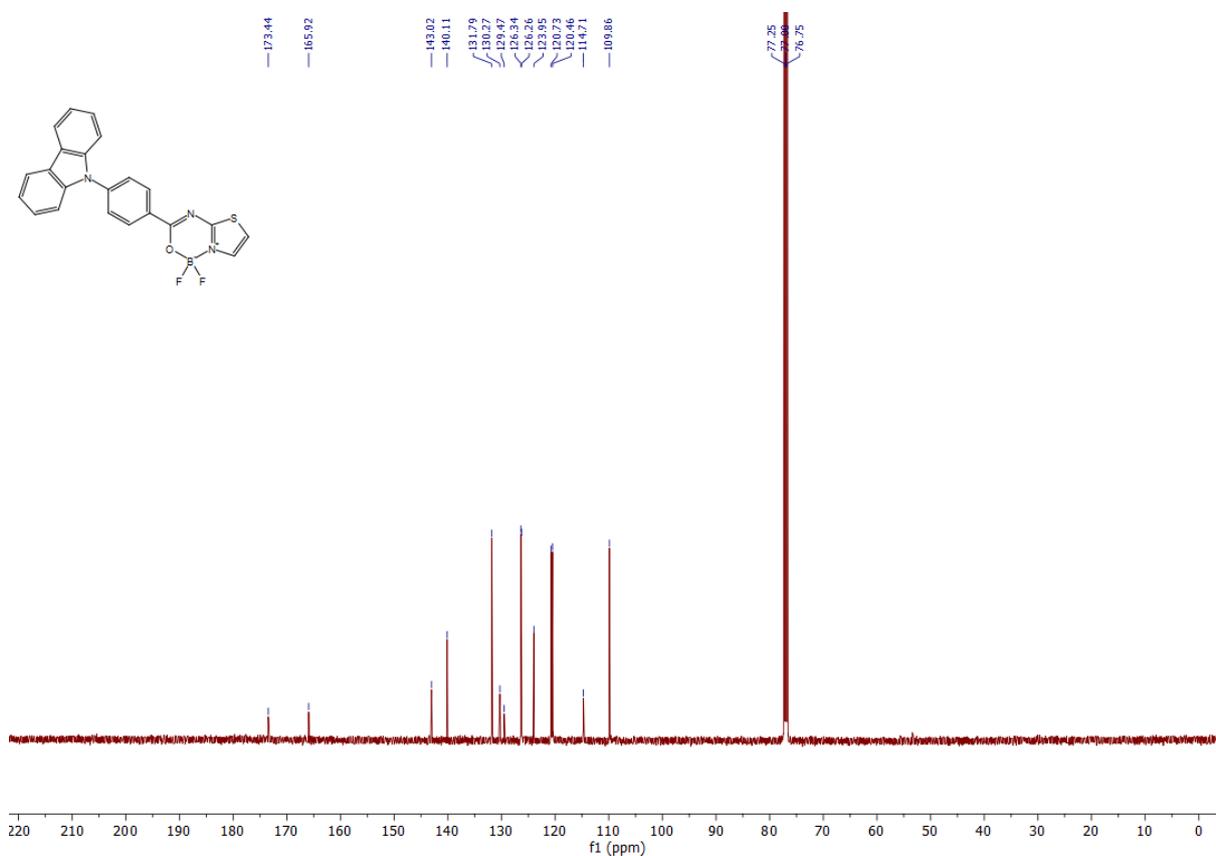
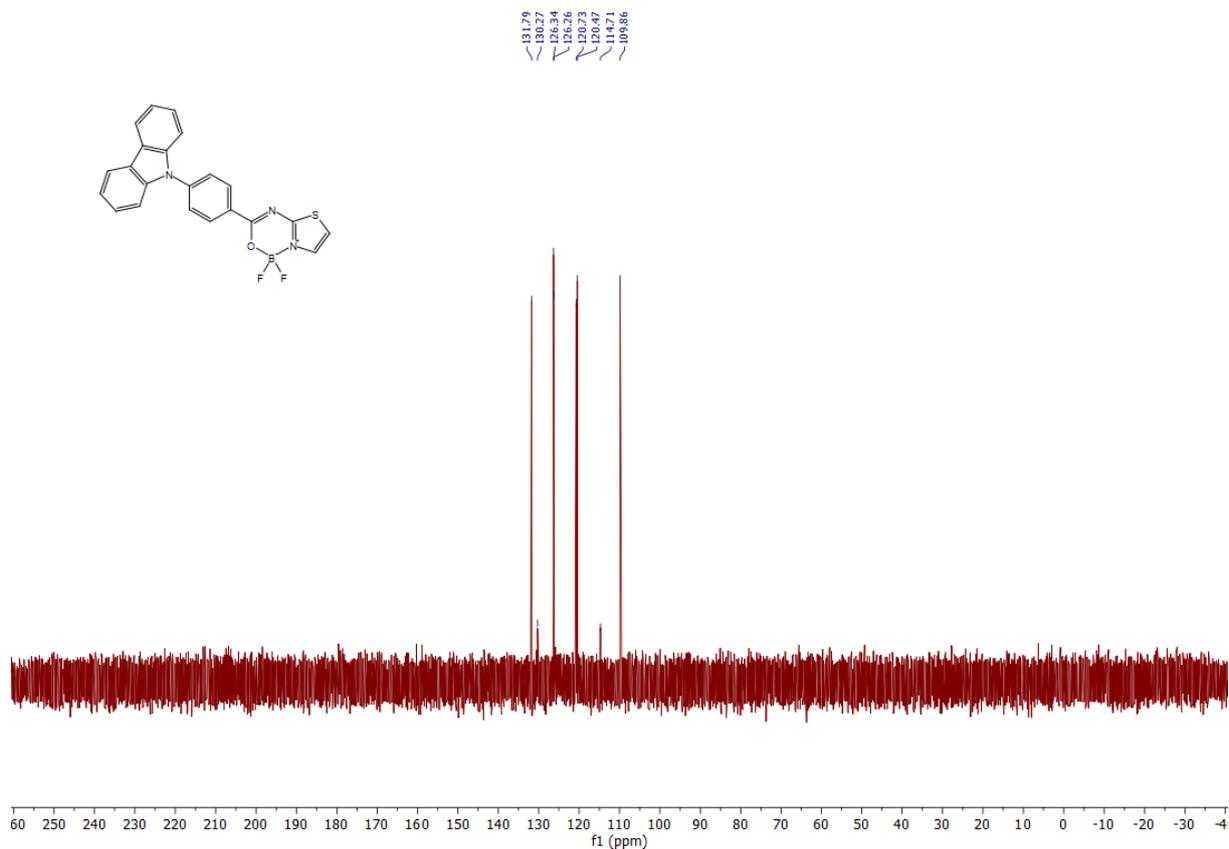
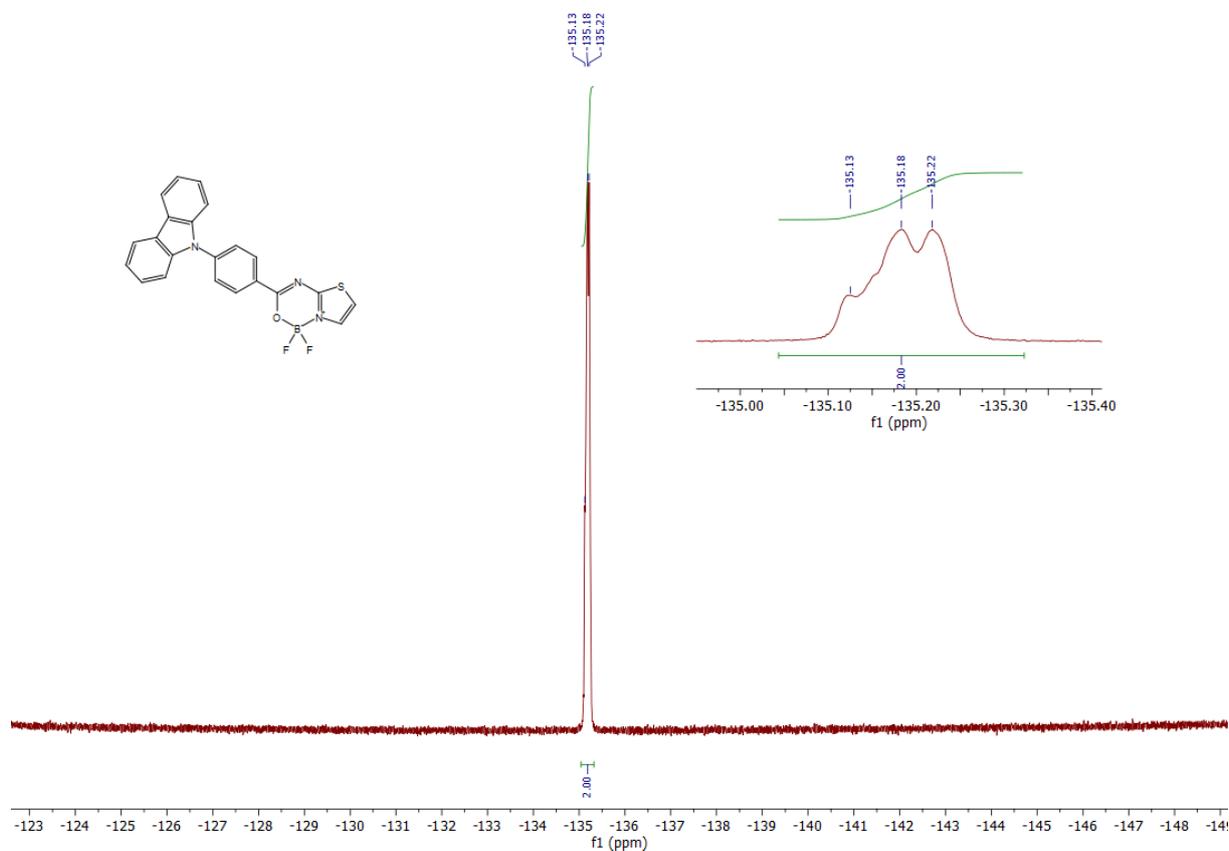


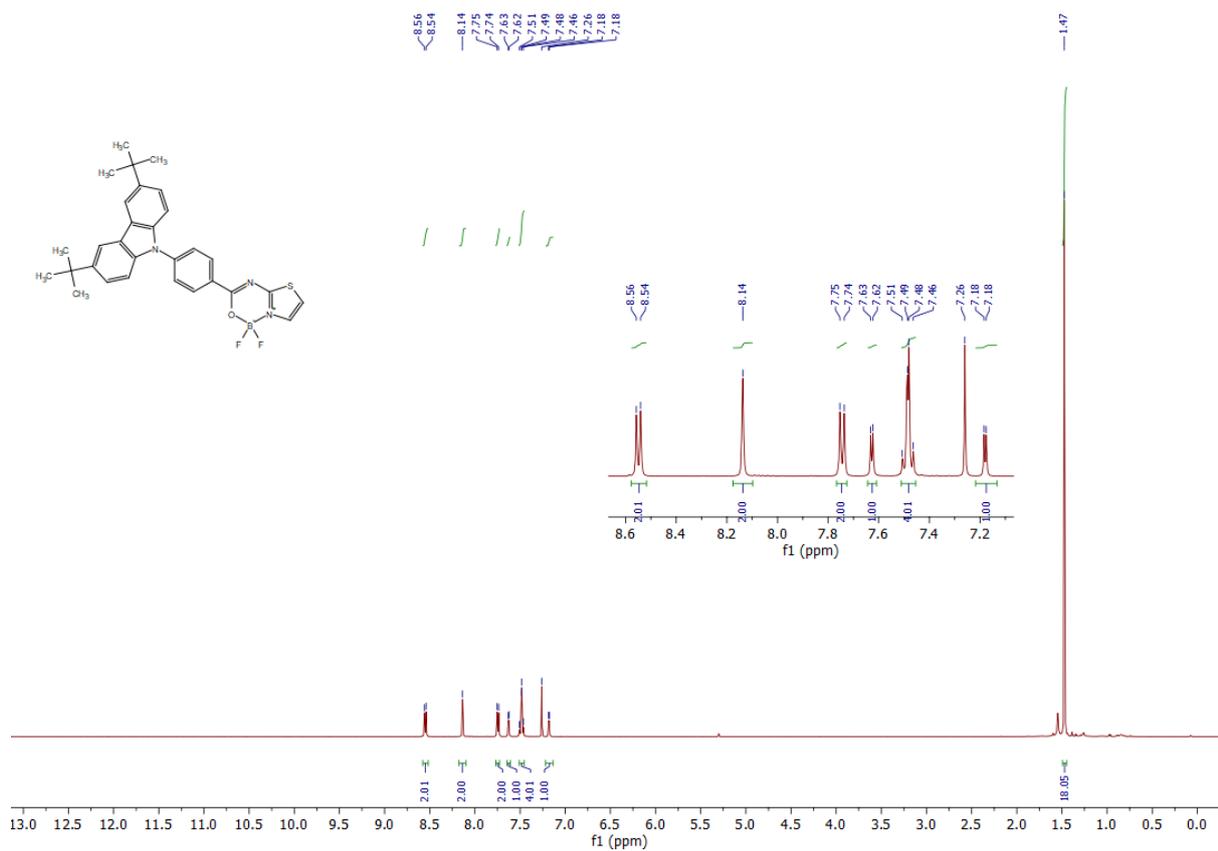
Figure S30. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of compound 2.



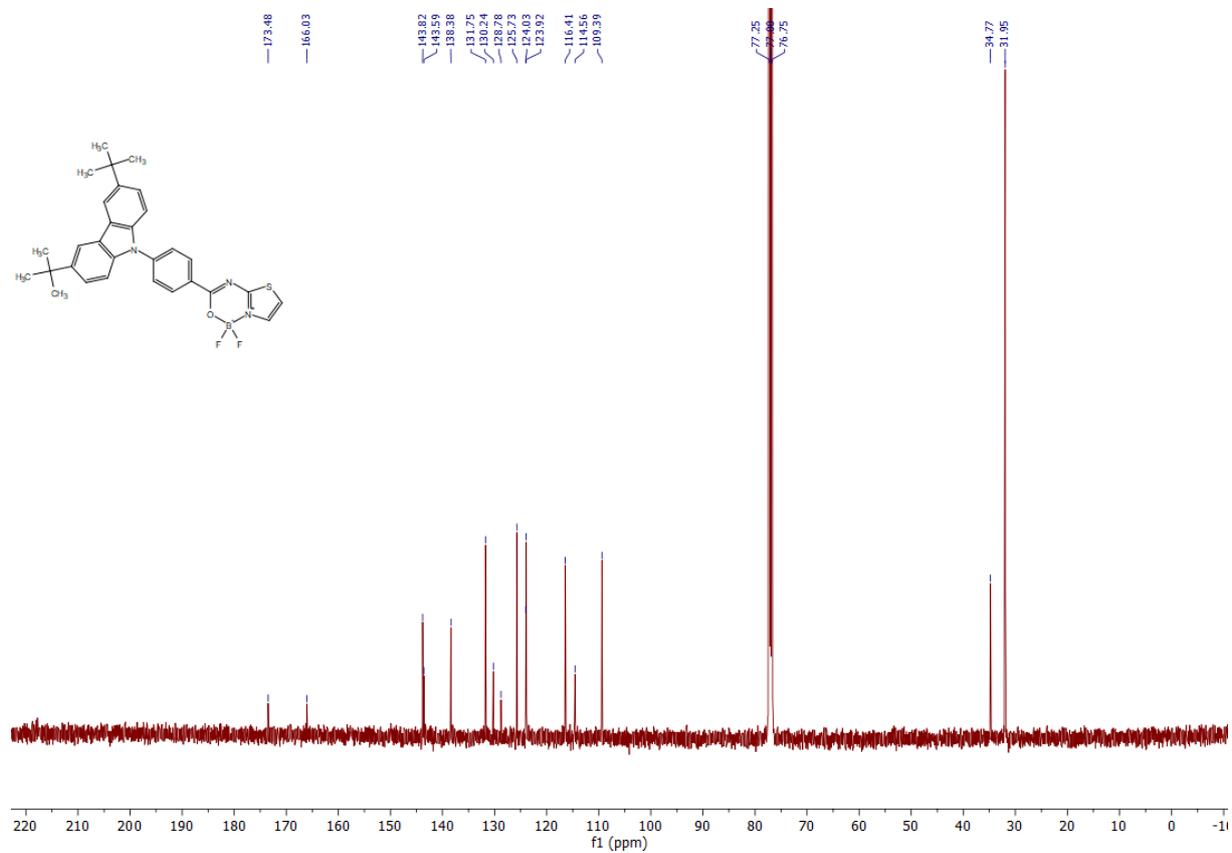
**Figure S31.** DEPT135 NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **2**.



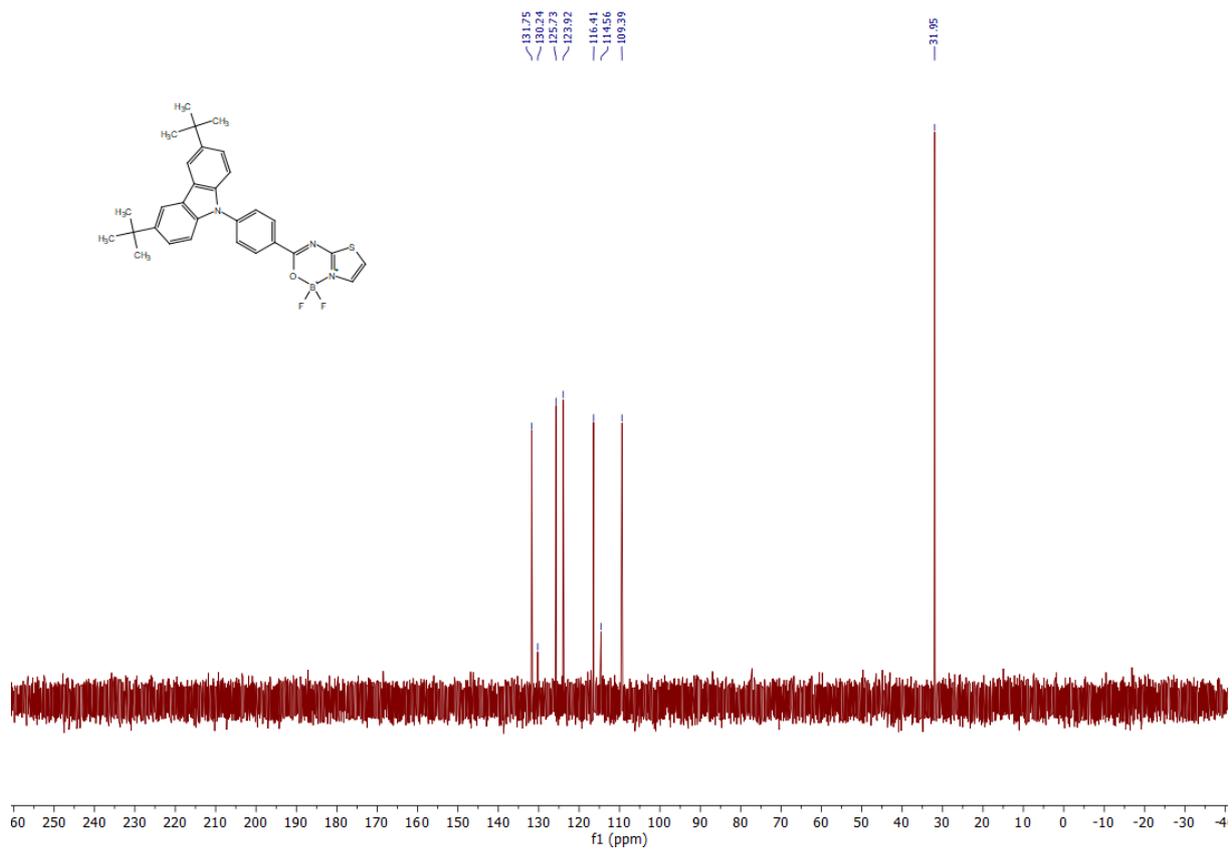
**Figure S32.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (470 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **2**.



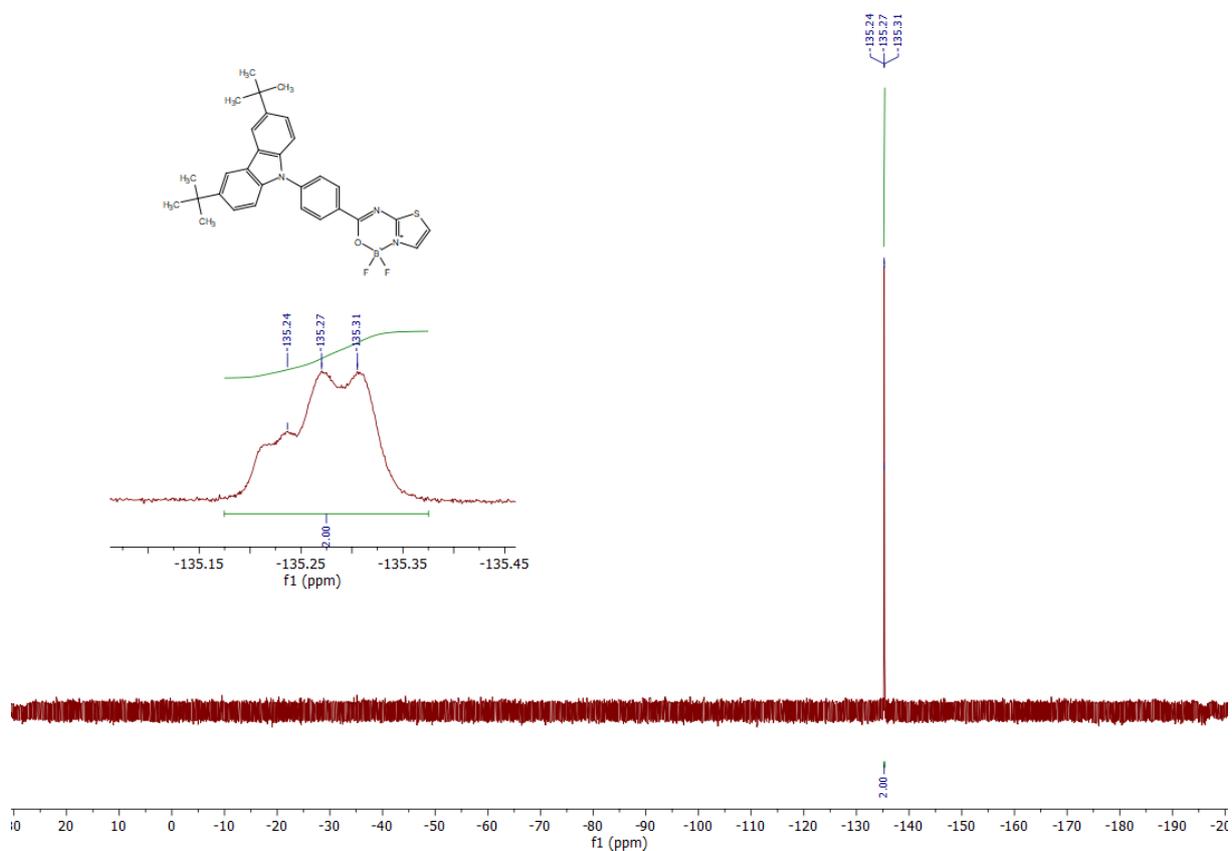
**Figure S33.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **3**.



**Figure S34.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **3**.



**Figure S35.** DEPT135 NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **3**.



**Figure S36.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (470 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of compound **3**.