Supplementary Information

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A ratiometric fluorescence sensor based on enzymatically activatable micellization of TPE derivatives for quantitative detection of alkaline phosphatase activity in serum

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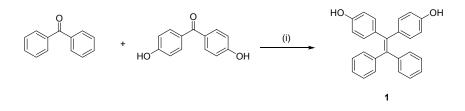
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Synthesis of Compound 1



Scheme S1. Synthesis of 1

Synthesis of compound 1. Benzophenone (3.1 g, 16.8 mmol) and bis(4hydroxyphenyl)methanone (3.0 g, 14.0 mmol) were dissolved in 150 mL of THF. The resulting solution was deoxygenated with argon for 15 minutes. Then TiCl₄ (13.3 g, 70.0 mmol) and zinc powder (9.2 g, 140.0 mmol) were added to the stirred solution under the protection of argon. The reaction mixture was then heated up to $60 \sim 65$ °C and stirred for 24 hours. The excess zinc residue was removed by flash chromatography using THF as solvent and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate:hexane (1:2) as the eluent. Yield: 64%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): § 7.07-6.98 (m, 10H), 6.79 (d, 4H, J = 8.65 Hz), 6.46 (d, 4H, J = 8.7 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, Tetrahydrofuran-*d*₈): 157.35, 145.80, 142.07, 139.01, 135.96, 133.48, 132.28, 128.36, 126.59, 115.21; ESI(+)-MS (m/z): [M⁺] Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₀O₂, 364.44; found, 364.44

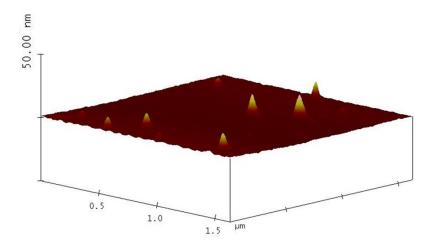


Fig. S1 AFM image of **P-TPE-TG** $(1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M})$ on a silicon wafer incubated with ALP (100 mU/mL) for 60 minutes in aqueous solution.

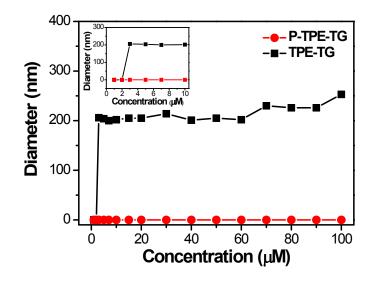


Fig. S2 hydrodynamic radii obtained from DLS of P-TPE-TG and TPE-TG with increasing concentration (1-100 μ M) in 10 mM Tris-HCl buffer solution, pH 7.4.

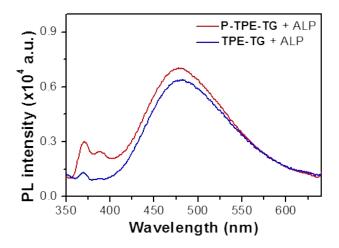


Fig. S3 Fluorescence emission spectra of **P-TPE-TG** $(1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M})$ and **TPE-TG** $(1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M})$ incubated with ALP (100 mU/mL) for 20 minutes in 10 mM Tris-HCl buffer solution, at 37 °C, pH 7.4. Excitation at 330 nm.

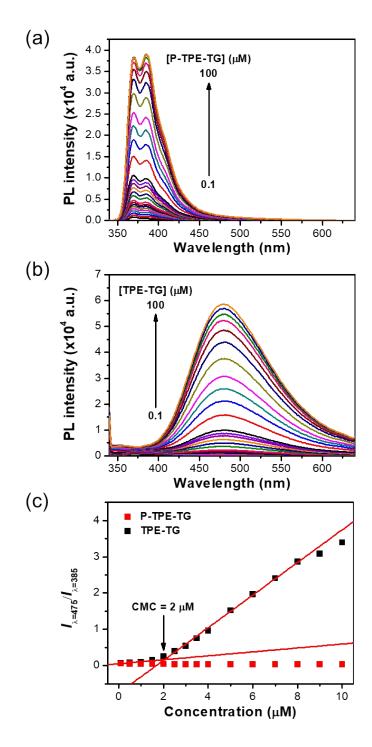


Fig. S4 Fluorescence intensity changes of (a) P-TPE-TG and (b) TPE-TG with increasing concentration (0.1-100 μ M) in 10 mM Tris-HCl buffer solution, pH 7.4; (c) critical micelle concentration (CMC) determined by the change in fluorescence intensity as a function of the concentration.

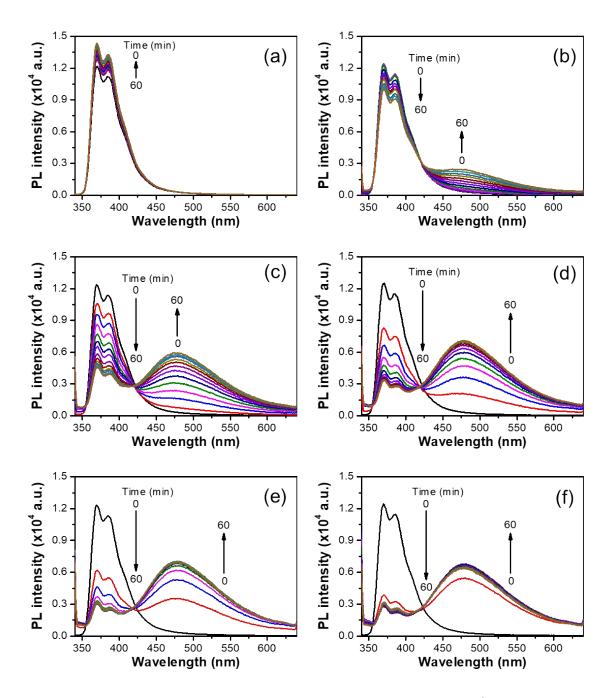


Fig. S5. Time-resolved fluorescence changes of **P-TPE-TG** (10×10^{-6} M) incubated with various concentrations of ALP (a: 0, b: 10, c: 25, d: 50, e: 100 and f: 200 mU/mL) at 37 °C in 10 mM Tris-HCl buffer solution, pH 7.4 for 60 min. Excitation at 330 nm.

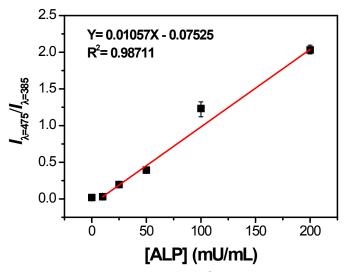


Fig. S6. Titration profile of **P-TPE-TG** (1.0×10^{-5} M) incubated with various concentrations of ALP for 10 min in 10 mM Tris-HCl buffer solution at 37 °C, pH 7.4. Excitation at 330 nm.

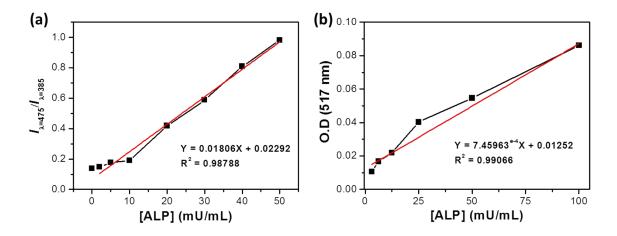
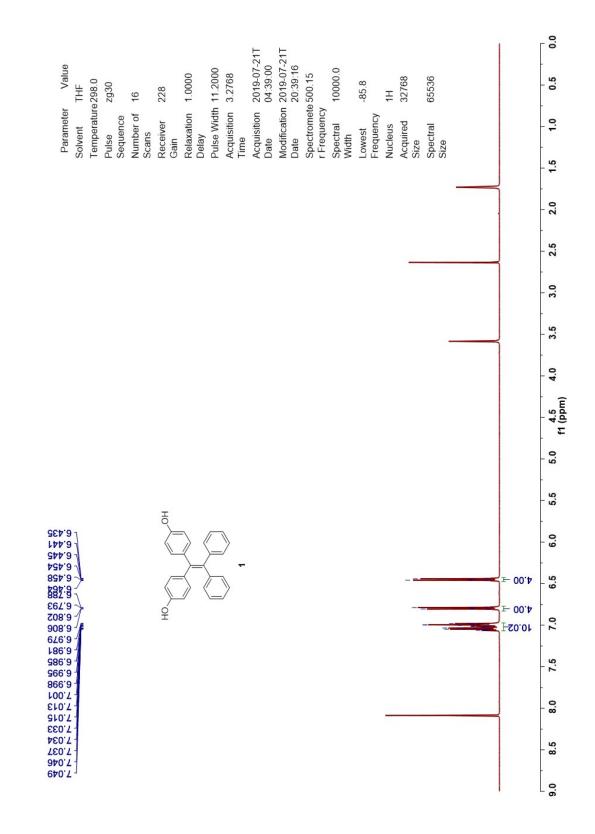


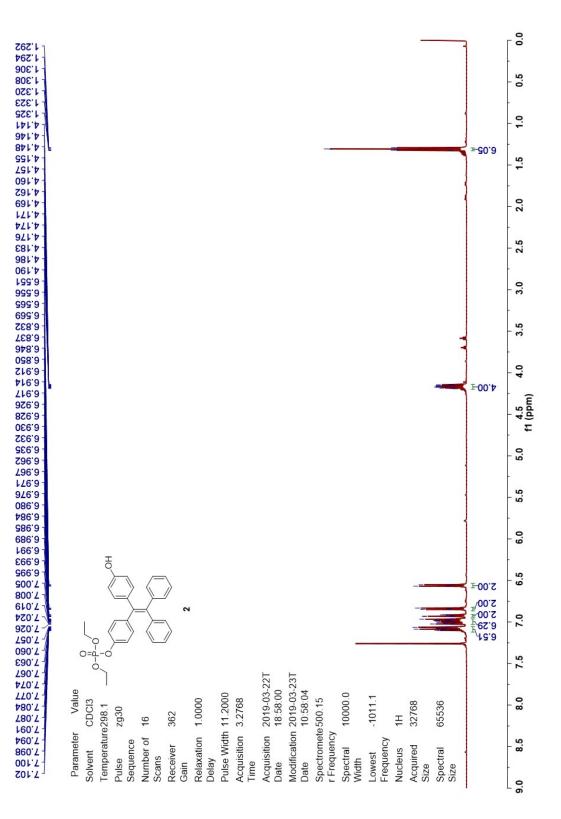
Fig. S7 Titration profiles and calibration plots of (a) **P-TPE-TG** $(1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M})$ incubated with various concentrations of ALP for 60 min in diluted serum (10%) at 37 °C, pH 7.4 and (b) DPP incubated with various concentrations of ALP for 15 min in diluted serum (1.25%).

TEST	Specification
Appearance (Color)	Colorless to Brown-Yellow to Brown
Appearance (Form)	Liquid
pН	7.0 - 9.0
Iron (UG%)	40 - 100
Source: Male donors Within the United States	Conforms
Processing Country of Origin United States	Conforms
Osmolality Expressed in MOSM/KG H ₂ O	260 - 340
Sterility by USP Guidelines	Pass
Hemoglobin	\leq 25 mg/dl
Mycoplasma Test	None Detected
Endotoxin Level	\leq 10 EU/ml
Cholesterol	80 – 200 mg/dl
Triglyceride	30 – 175 mg/dl
Glucose	50 – 180 mg/dl
Sodium (Na)	100–160 MEQ/L
Protein Content	4.0-9.0 %
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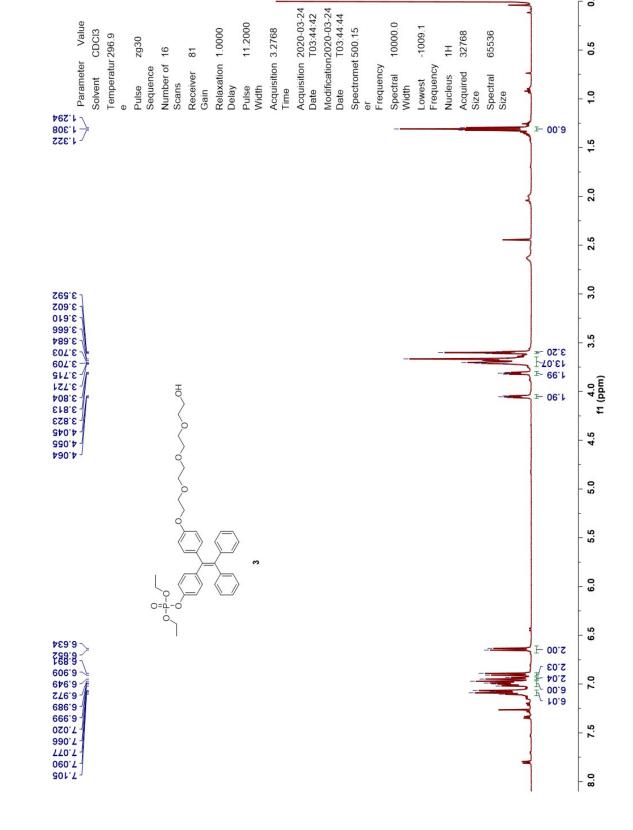
Table S1. Specification for normal human serum that was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich chemical company. Data was collected from Sigma-Aldrich chemical company sample information.

All donor units are collected in donor centers located in the United States, which are licensed by the FDA.





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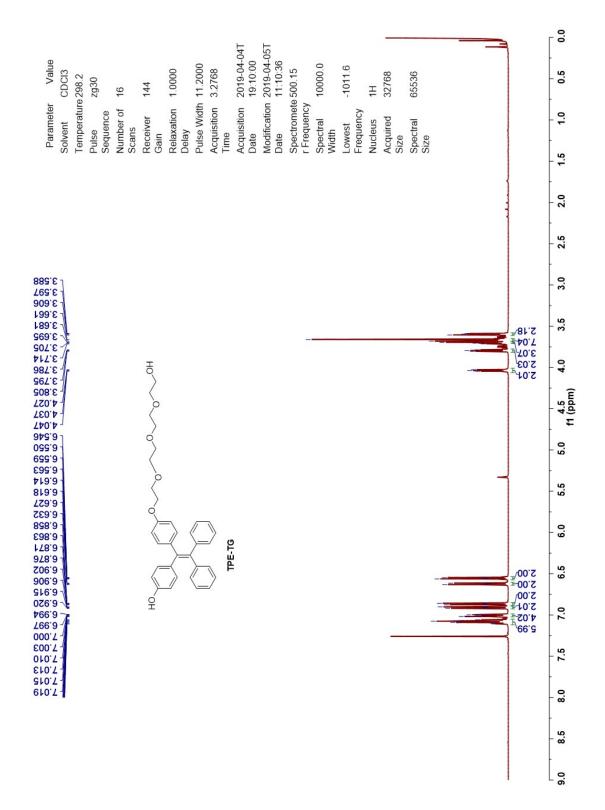


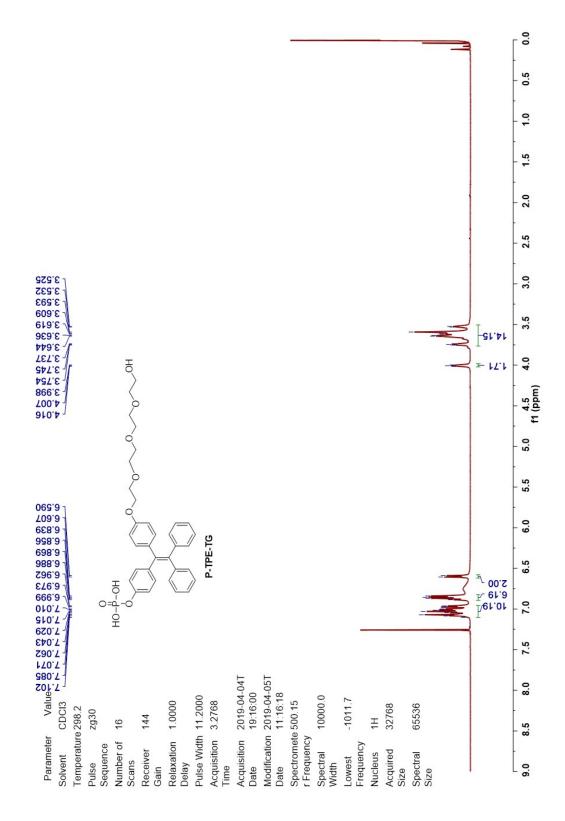
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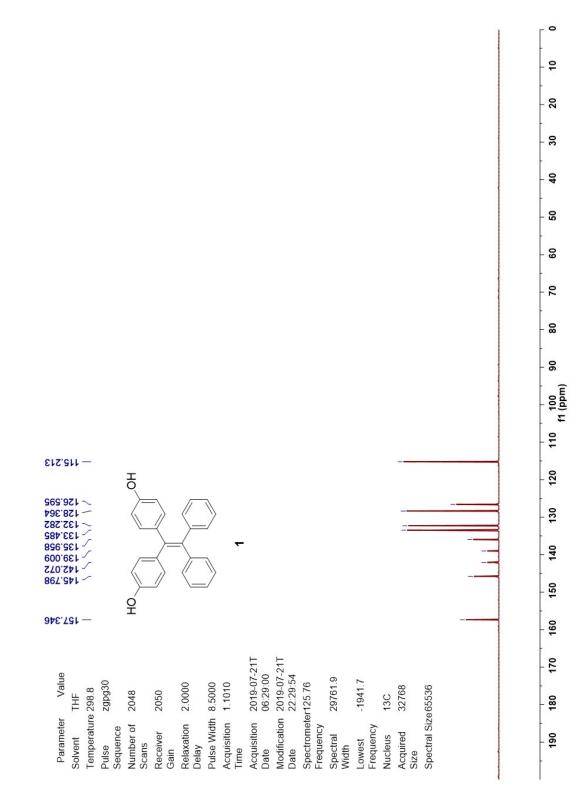
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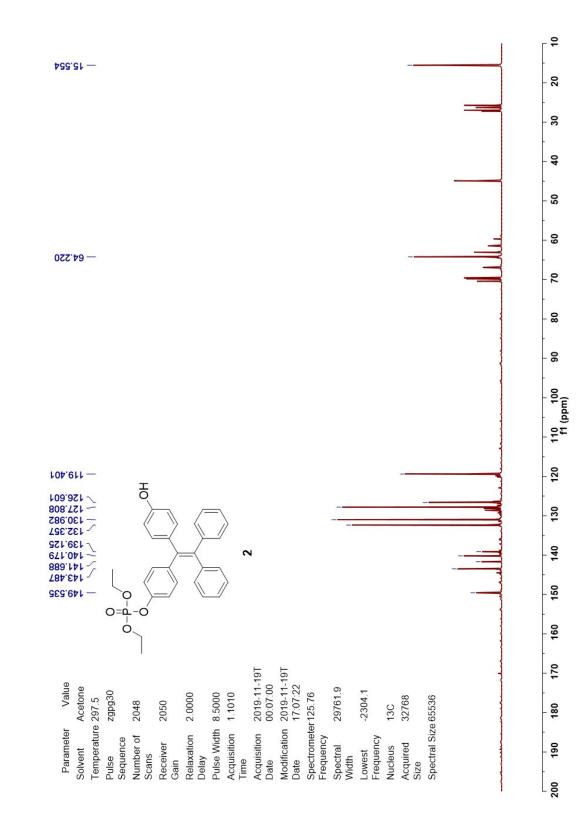
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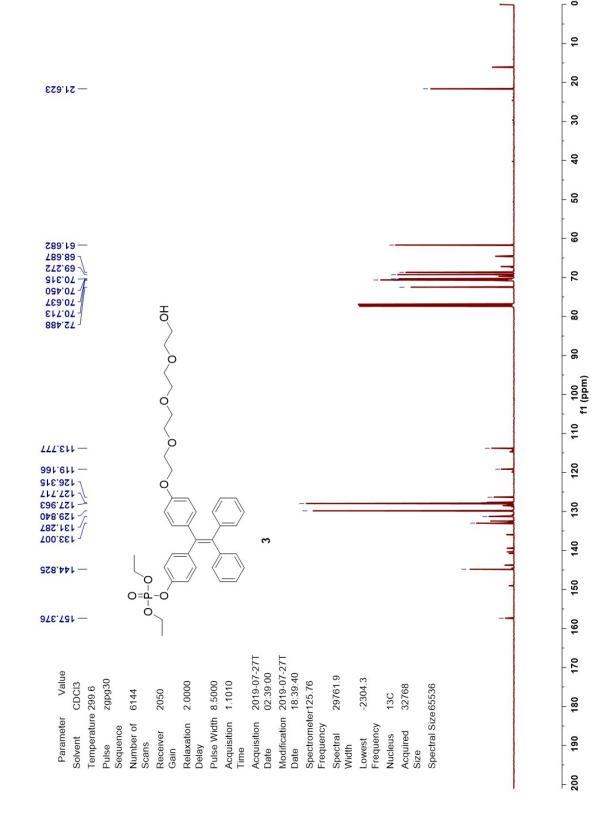


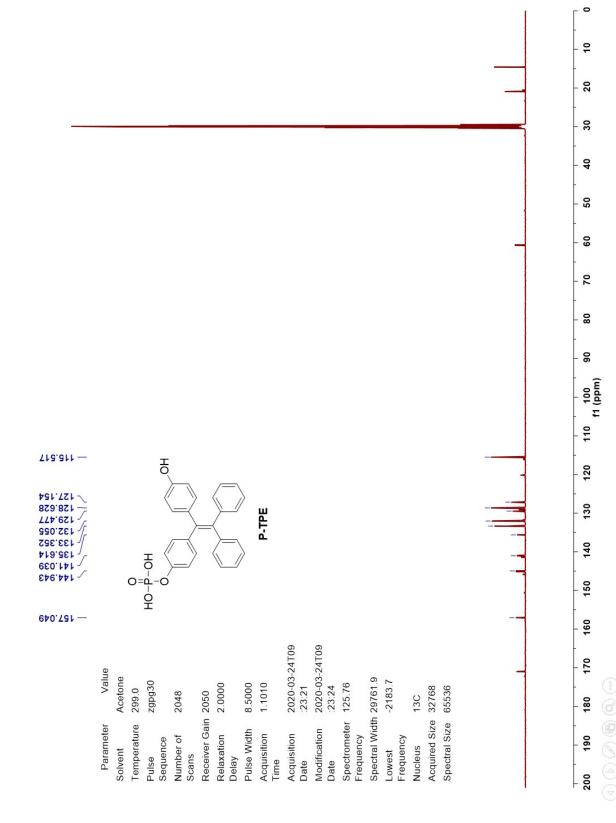


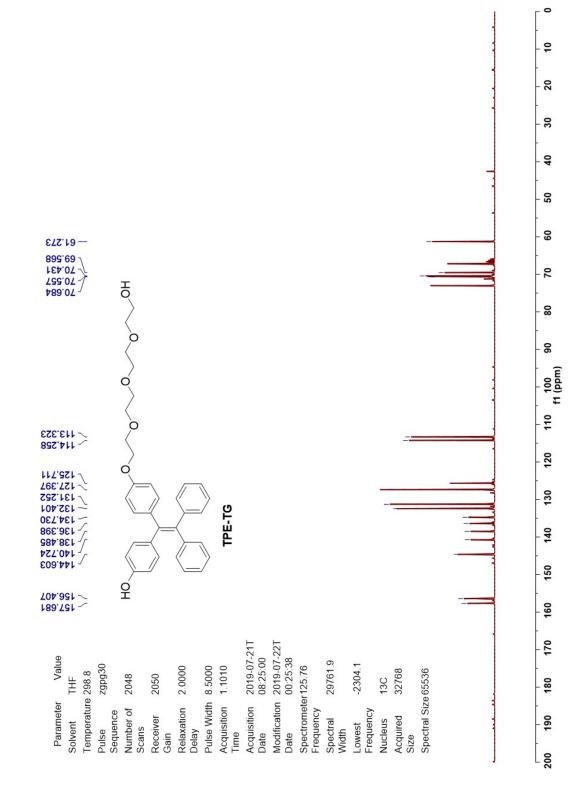
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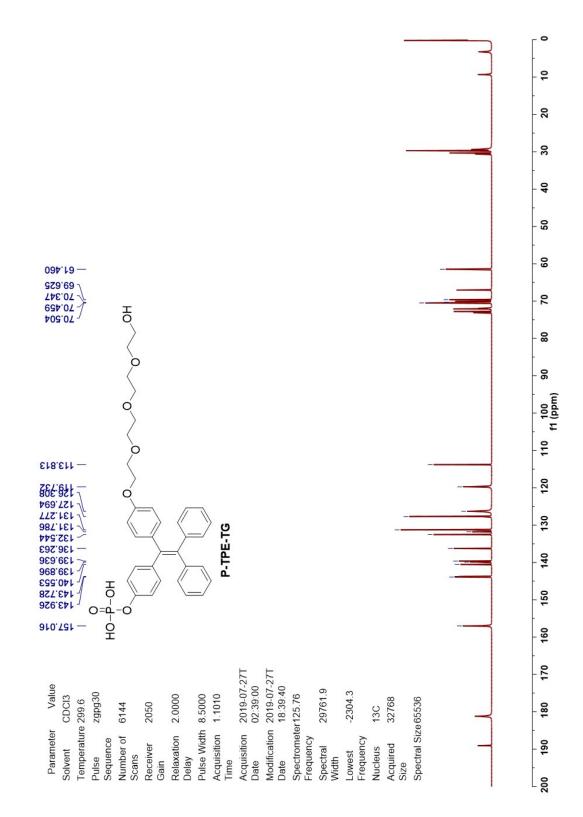


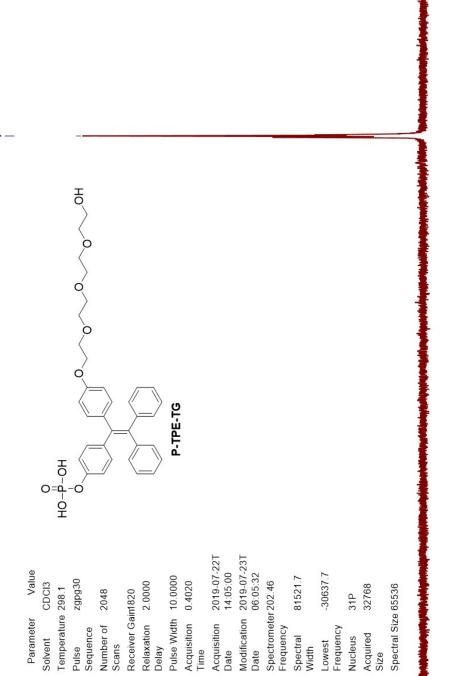












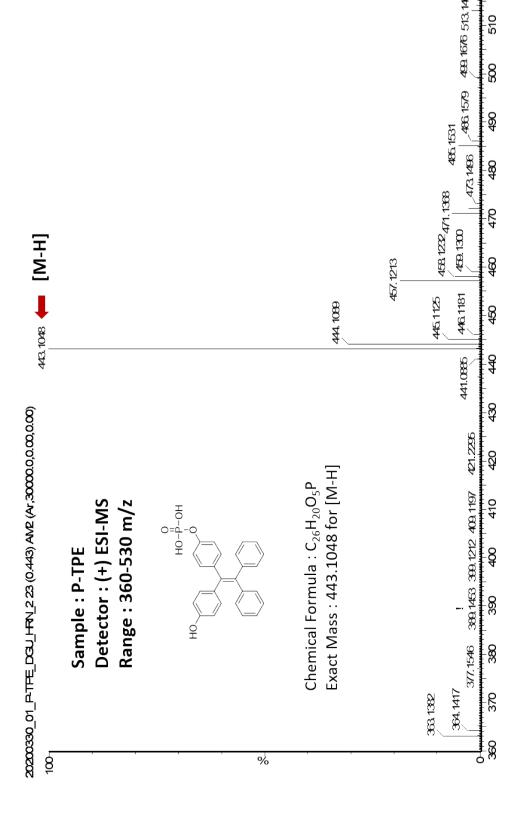
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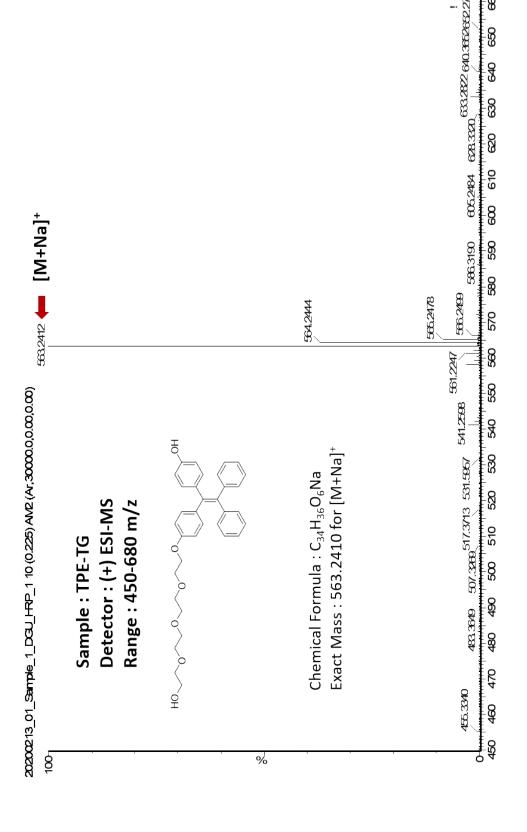
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