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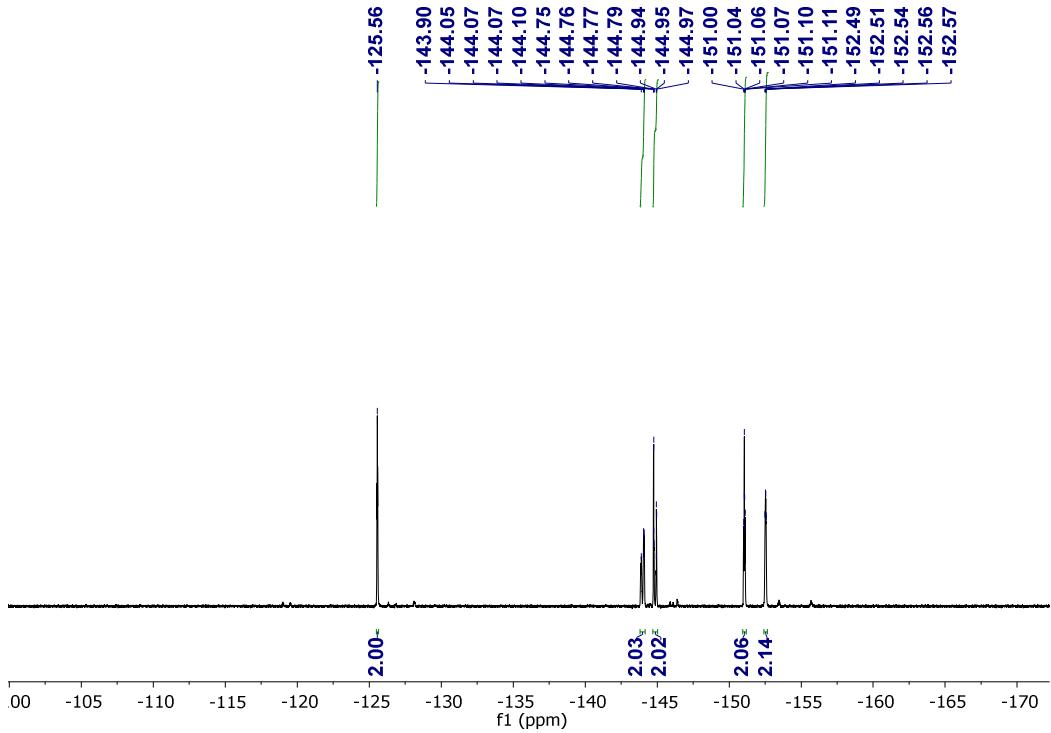
### Distiboranes based on *ortho*-phenylene backbones as bidentate Lewis acids for fluoride anion chelation

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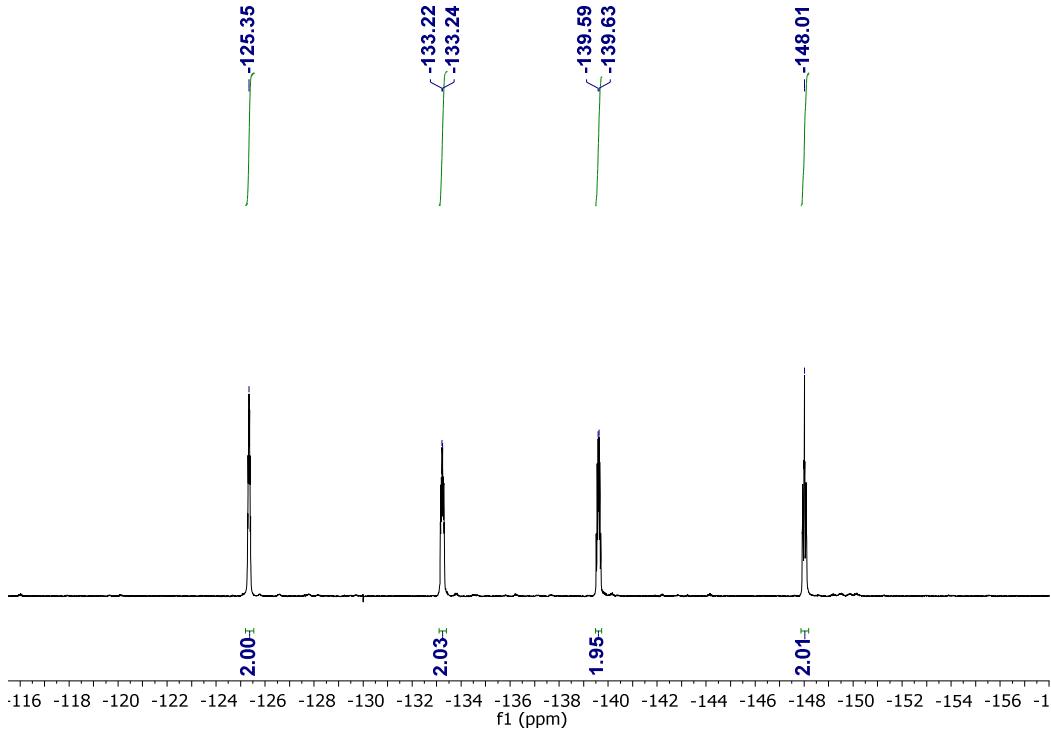
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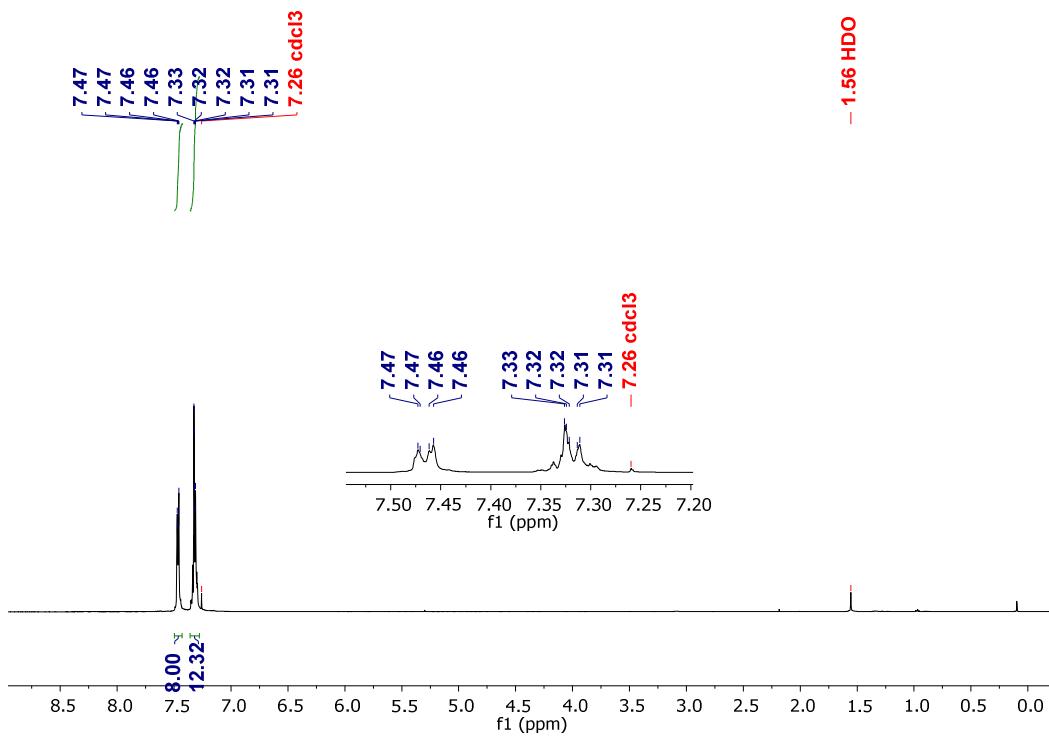
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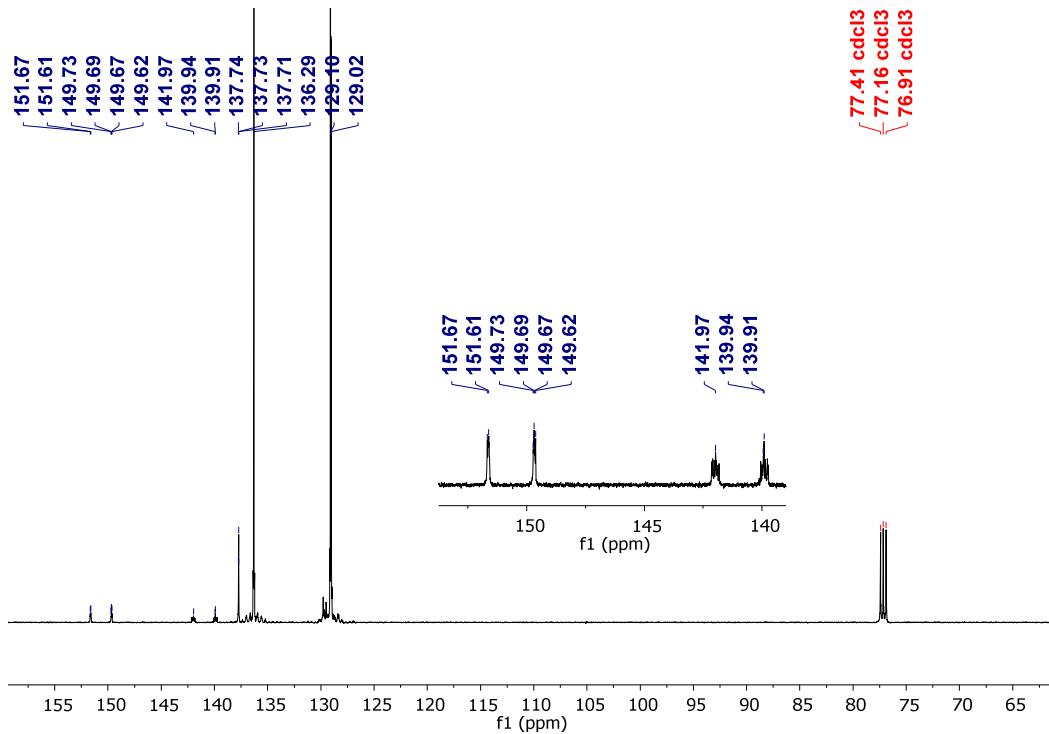
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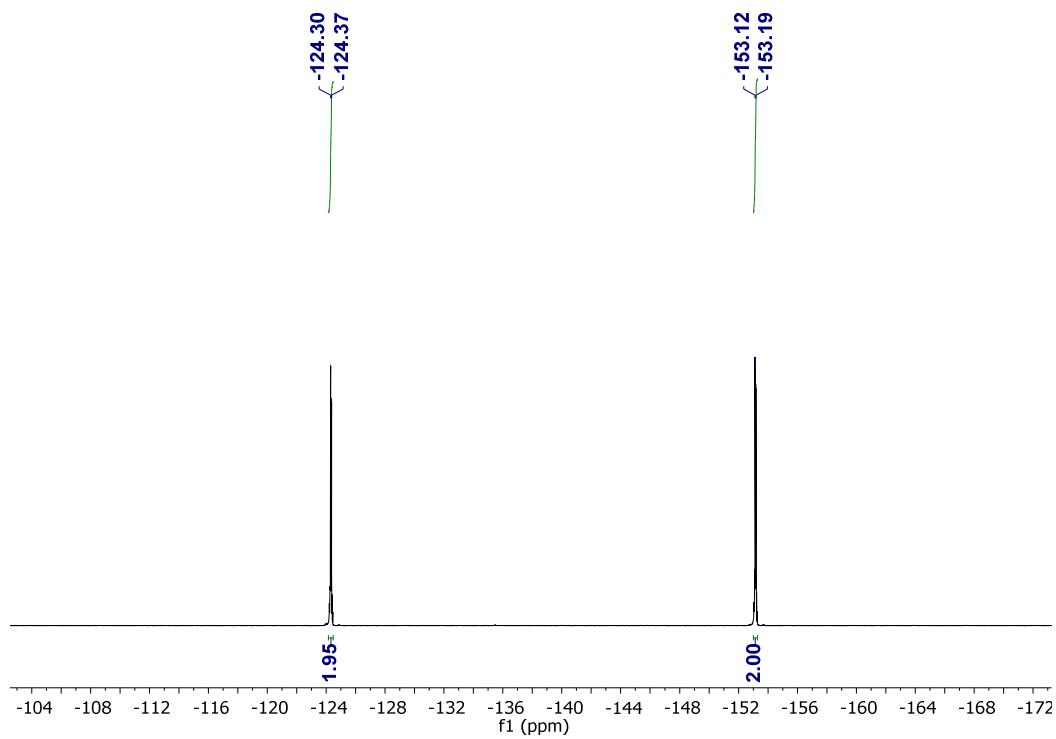
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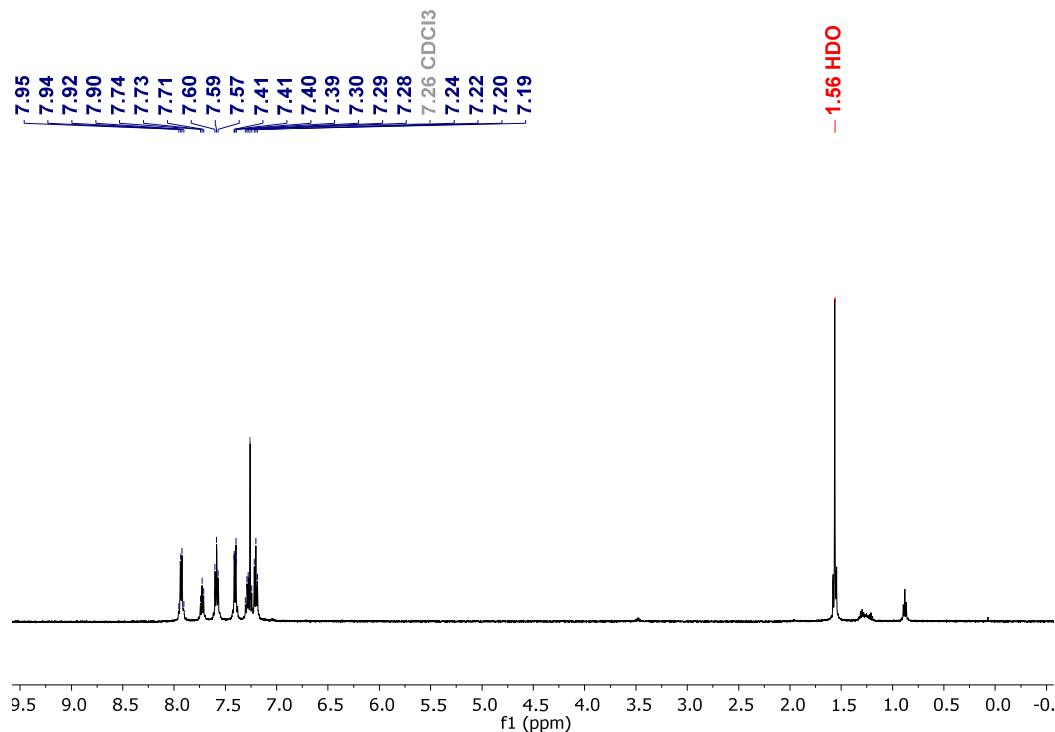
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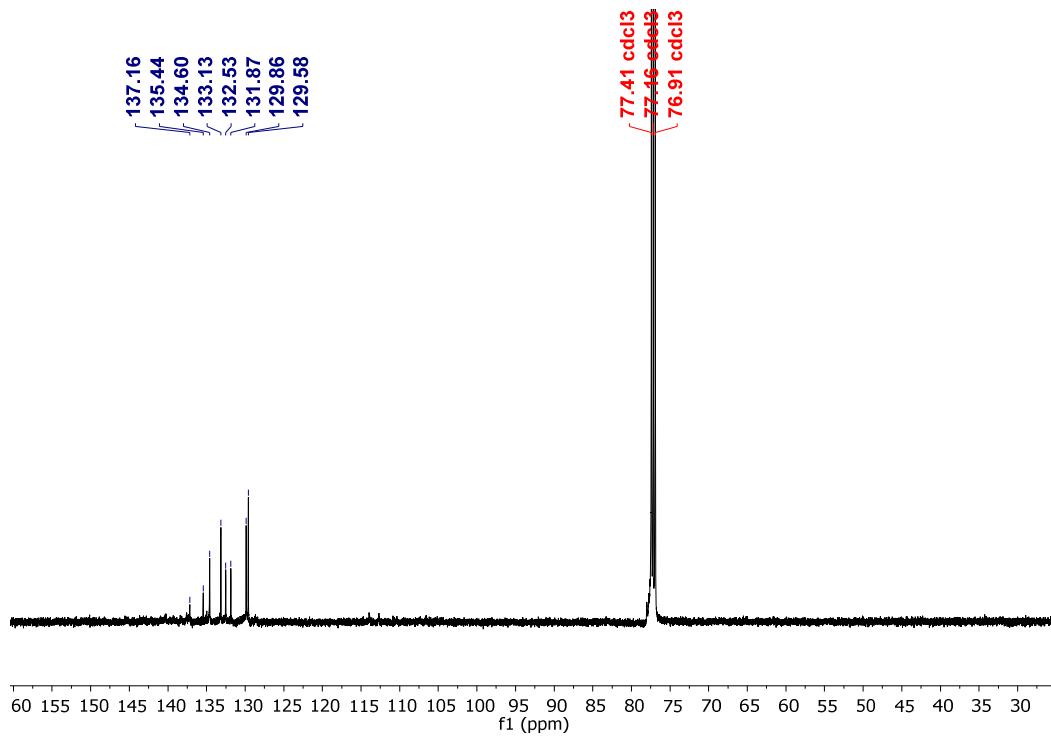
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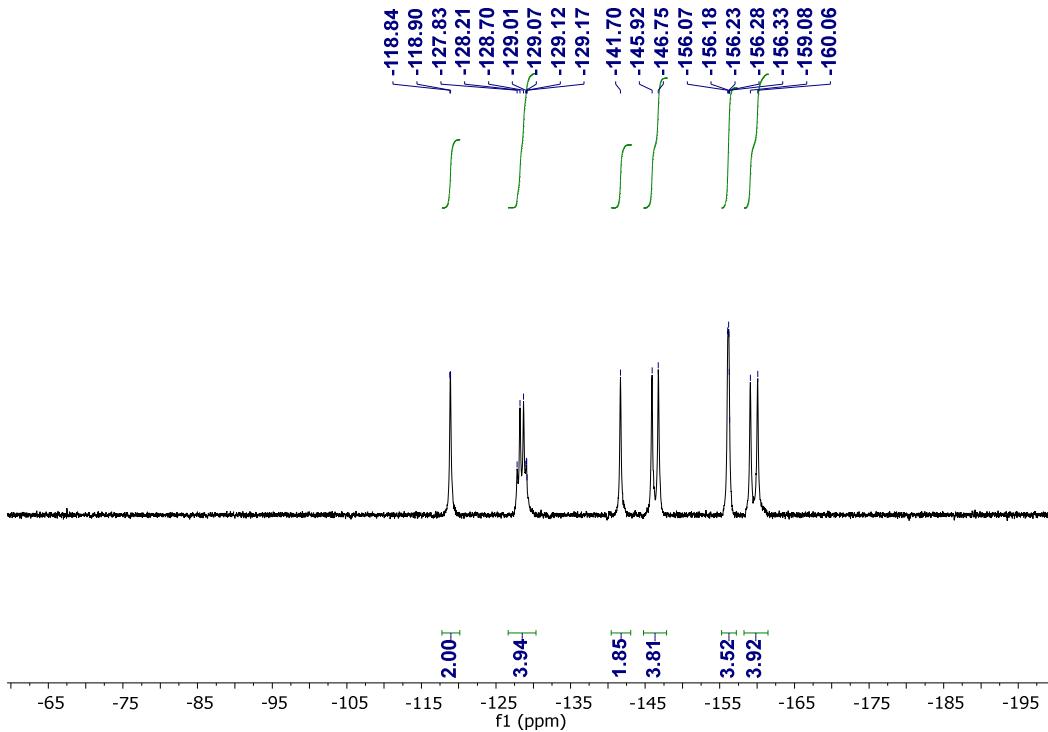
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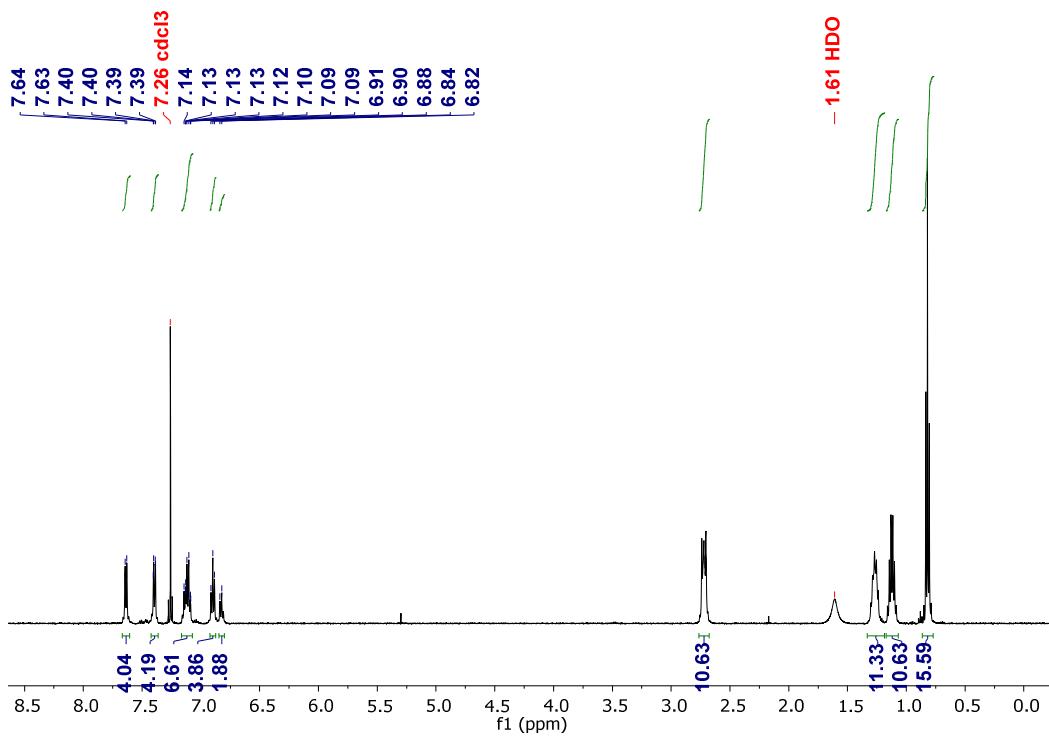
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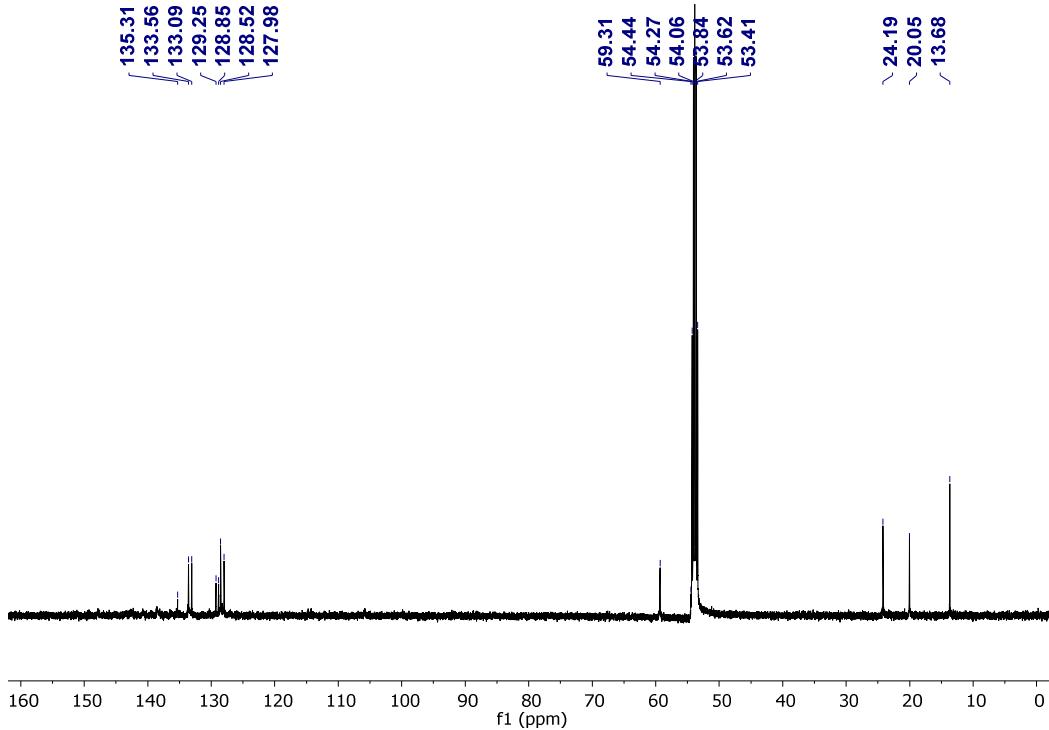
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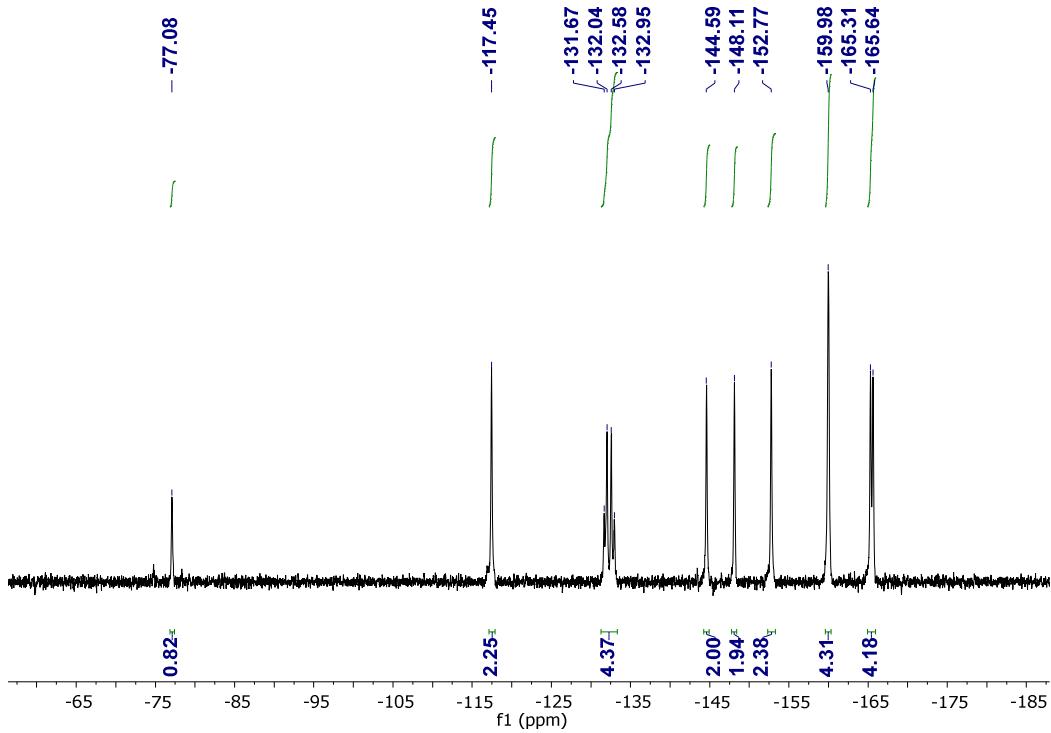
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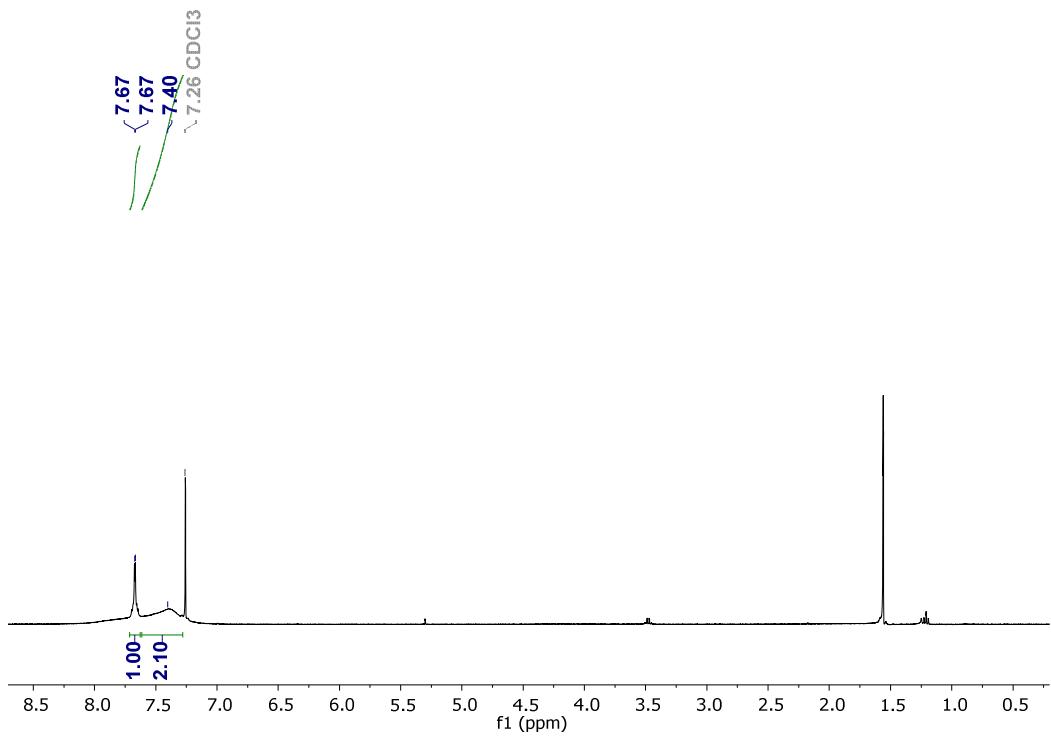
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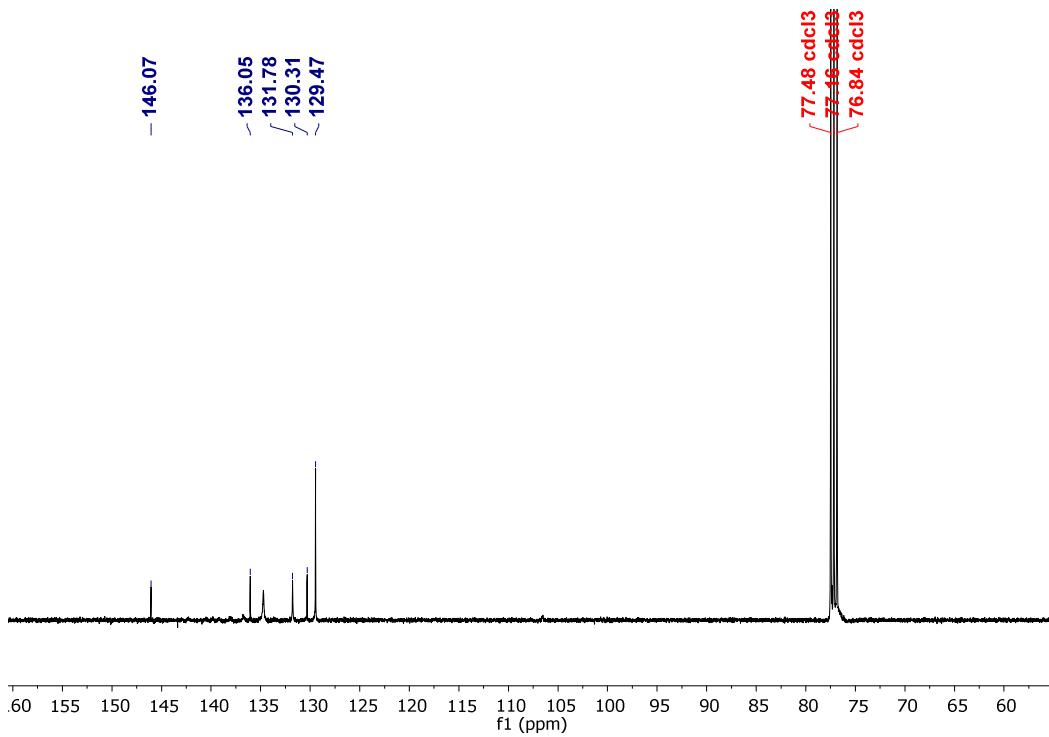
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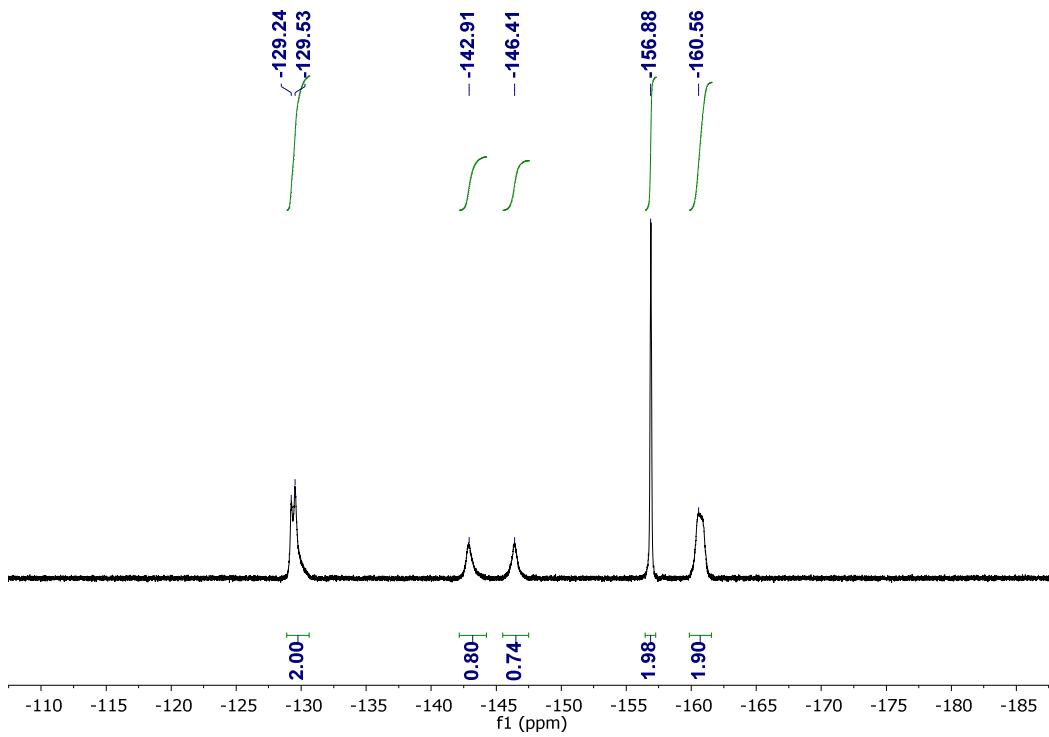
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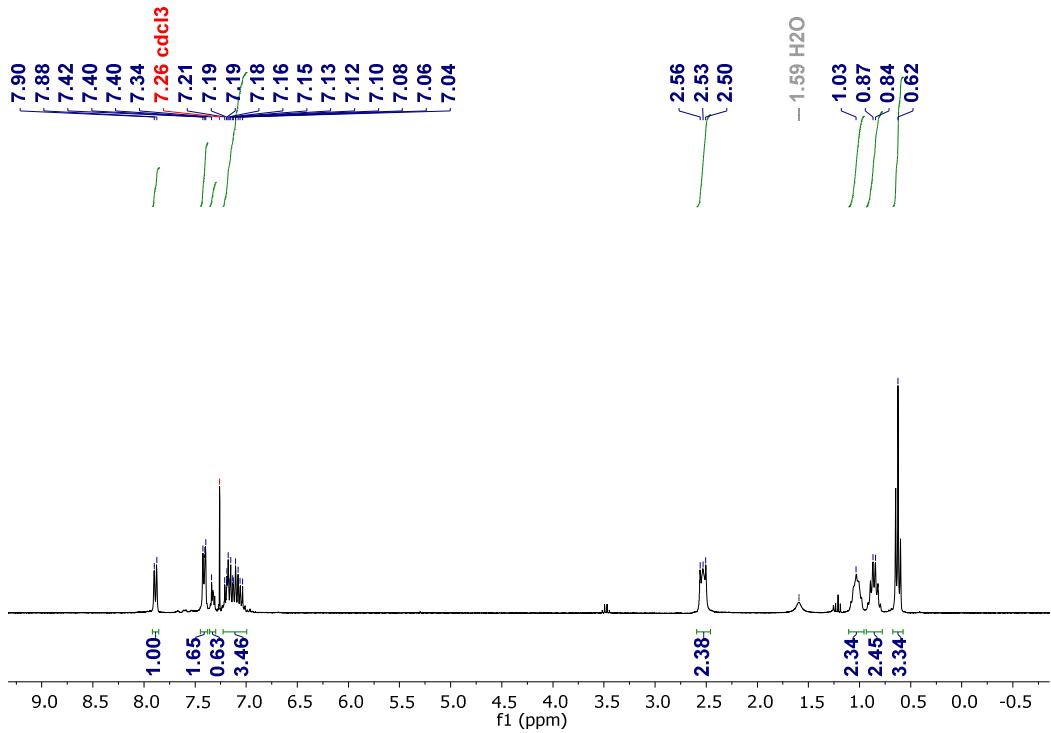
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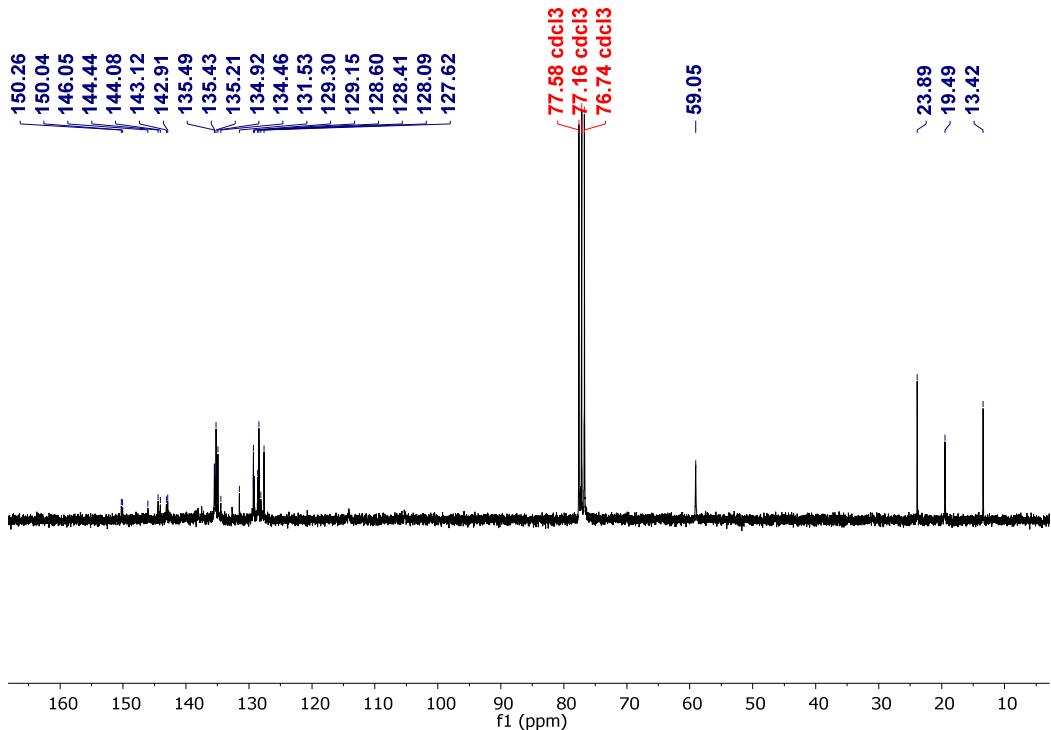
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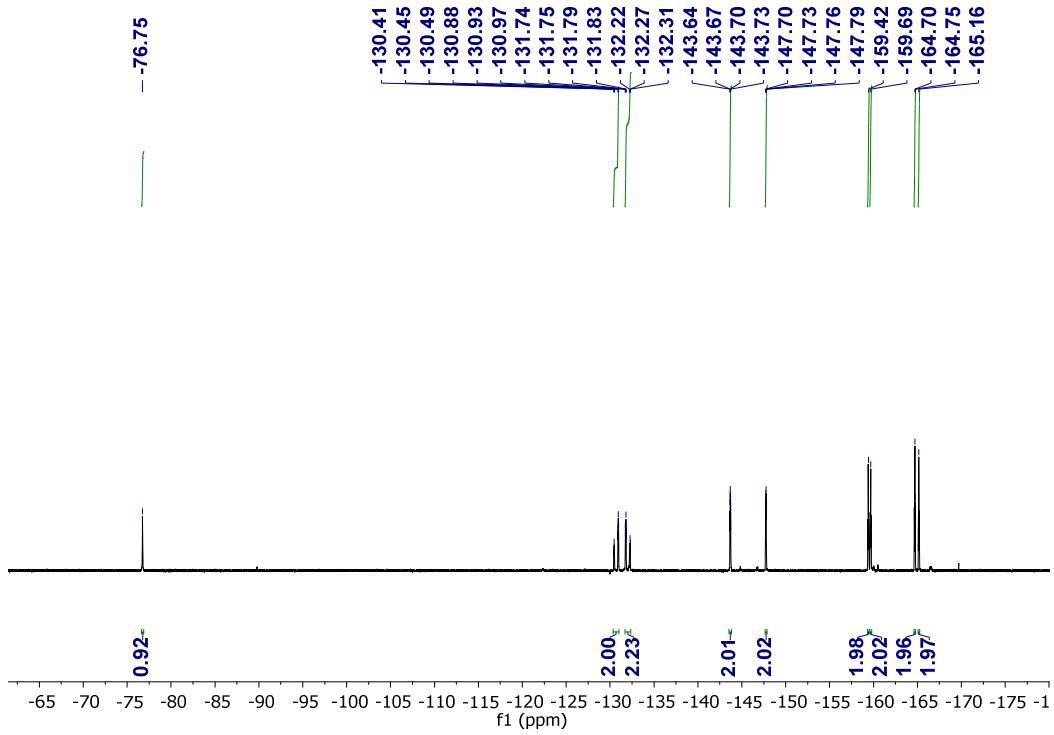
**Figure S14:**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of **8** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Figure S15:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[n\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][8-\mu_2\text{-F}]$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

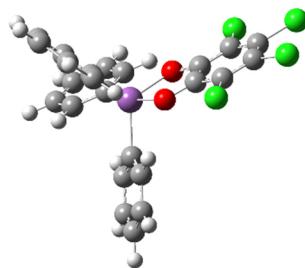


**Figure S16:**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[n\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][8-\mu_2\text{-F}]$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Figure S17:**  ${}^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of **8** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

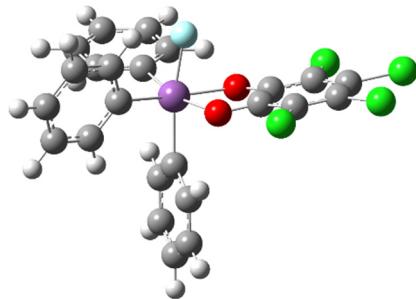
**Figure S18:** Optimized structure of **A** and atomic coordinates in Å.



**A**

Sb	3.063011	0.770948	2.401471	C	4.137640	3.834811	-0.586959
Cl	5.918410	-0.019224	6.493429	C	4.041526	2.642493	0.138991
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O	4.916192	0.175600	1.546243	C	0.966256	-3.025832	0.032644
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C	5.884620	-0.103834	2.459799	C	0.950934	-1.416638	1.848260
C	5.520138	0.041398	3.814308	H	0.075572	1.693526	2.167235
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C	7.739605	-0.632097	4.502406	H	-1.469239	2.268260	6.135204
C	8.109429	-0.778798	3.154663	H	0.729436	1.608370	7.092674
C	7.177583	-0.513381	2.130965	H	2.608341	0.988734	5.594813
C	1.479734	1.295897	3.779489	H	1.942605	3.719416	2.619203
C	0.231550	1.670777	3.243078	H	2.139630	5.821438	1.333406
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C	0.588338	1.626371	6.016636	H	4.603500	1.769532	-0.167824
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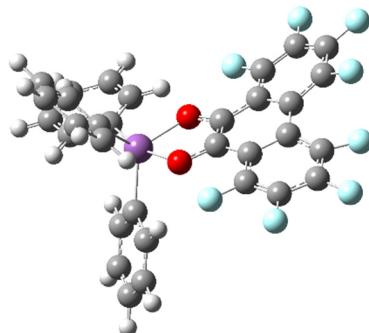
**Figure S19:** Optimized structure of [A-F]<sup>-</sup> and atomic coordinates in Å.



[A-F]<sup>-</sup>

Sb	-0.015351	-0.101766	0.006057	C	1.173110	0.348293	-4.818903
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O	-0.012828	-0.082403	2.126420	C	2.326904	-0.249544	1.773999
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C	-4.819250	1.262556	-0.043637	H	-0.041713	-5.051121	-1.922097
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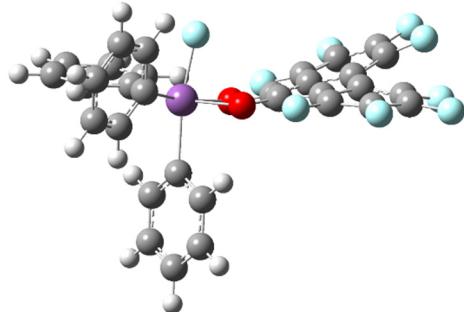
**Figure S20:** Optimized structure of **B** and atomic coordinates in Å.



**B**

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F	1.232966	-3.462165	0.450551	H	-3.454241	4.918541	-0.789003
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F	5.296133	4.049253	0.377186	H	-3.929511	0.863226	2.309252
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F	0.675922	3.619819	-0.453429	H	-4.656252	0.041046	4.524194
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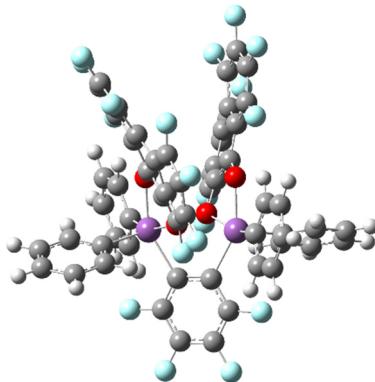
**Figure S21:** Optimized structure of  $[\mathbf{B}\text{-F}]^-$  and atomic coordinates in Å.



$[\mathbf{B}\text{-F}]^-$

Sb	1.873458	0.036902	-0.249316	C	3.010861	0.558183	2.649383
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C	4.121127	-2.156591	-0.232932	C	-0.961033	-0.694142	-0.088907
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C	2.744925	-0.842264	4.614415	F	-5.643529	3.645637	-0.669737
H	2.928358	-1.032154	5.668669	F	-3.336708	4.938479	0.043574
C	3.248929	0.314574	4.009650	F	-1.060740	3.571372	0.427844
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**Figure S22:** Optimized structure of **7** and atomic coordinates in Å.

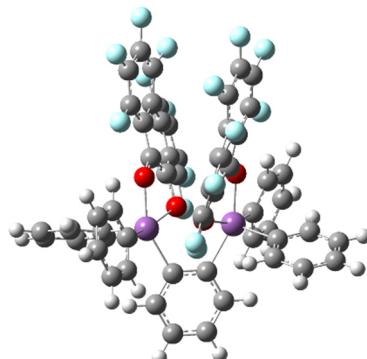


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C	-1.240390	-4.406016	-0.865419	C	-2.953194	1.625075	-0.432327
O	0.210575	0.459193	-1.879893	C	-2.983728	3.002300	-0.858015
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C	0.701043	-1.661130	3.447701	C	-0.729470	2.720331	-1.896430
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H	-5.282767	-1.714989	-3.341163	F	2.471370	5.210980	3.197896
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**Figure S23:** Optimized structure of **8** and atomic coordinates in Å.

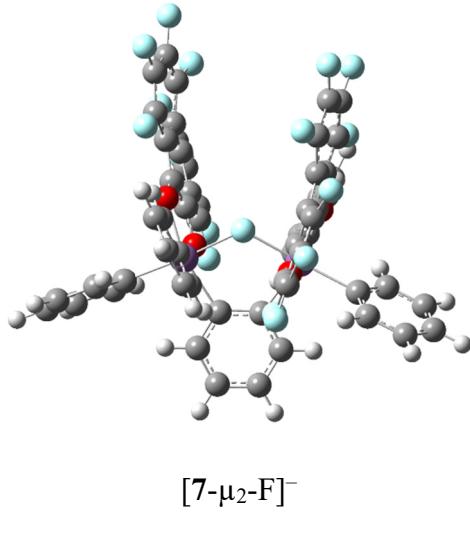


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C	3.371915	1.955132	-0.767153	C	-3.372771	1.953788	0.766843
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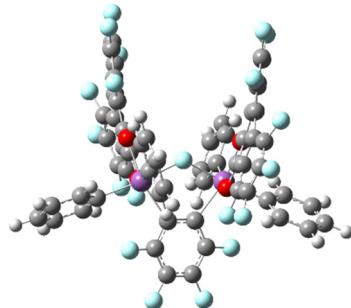
**Figure S24:** Optimized structure of  $[7\text{-}\mu_2\text{-F}]^-$  and atomic coordinates in Å.



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F	7.274790	2.469701	0.588244	H	-0.689586	-1.822560	4.855174
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O	-1.707895	0.568342	2.017971	C	-4.159895	-3.356802	4.031135
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O	1.707924	0.568251	-2.018025	C	-3.384378	-2.801566	3.005618
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C	-3.224515	4.561612	1.797315	C	2.796126	0.873328	-1.257090
C	-4.223416	4.843116	0.857949	C	3.348014	2.190568	-1.224095
C	-4.806751	3.816588	0.139409	C	4.478504	2.455404	-0.364772
C	-6.460306	1.401982	-0.812773	C	5.145084	1.339497	0.285689
C	-7.029639	0.348398	-1.503259	C	4.490225	0.051373	0.313634
C	-6.333661	-0.858641	-1.633599	F	0.000027	-0.329998	0.000004
C	-5.105480	-1.009653	-1.024549				

**Figure S25:** Optimized structure of  $[8\text{-}\mu_2\text{-F}]^-$  and atomic coordinates in Å.



$[8\text{-}\mu_2\text{-F}]^-$

Sb	-0.812840	-1.010356	1.775847	C	1.995154	-1.278919	3.028048
Sb	0.812385	-1.009196	-1.776194	H	1.961455	-2.265273	2.578564
F	-4.354291	-2.142673	-1.002485	C	-1.988595	-1.822442	3.401328
F	-6.765530	-1.941458	-2.160203	C	-1.562090	-1.653947	4.729074
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O	2.473984	-1.102619	-0.517033	C	2.340607	-2.135527	-5.788963
O	1.624632	0.889001	-2.013007	H	2.003111	-1.997011	-6.812150
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C	0.137388	-2.808542	-0.696816	H	0.628788	-1.140756	-4.942770
C	0.200075	-4.033663	-1.354308	C	-0.943459	-0.368533	-2.834406
C	0.086822	-5.256787	-0.689967	C	-1.995551	-1.276559	-3.028759
C	-0.089337	-5.257327	0.686003	H	-1.962179	-2.263021	-2.579491
C	-0.201902	-4.034720	1.351417	C	-3.116124	-0.903132	-3.782685
C	0.943348	-0.370501	2.833966	H	-3.931206	-1.607627	-3.917252
C	1.021696	0.921597	3.384625	C	-3.190243	0.379395	-4.338145
H	0.215682	1.626945	3.221253	H	-4.060772	0.670342	-4.918754
C	2.147038	1.288122	4.134219	C	-2.146508	1.290781	-4.134371
H	2.207855	2.287671	4.554414	H	-2.206969	2.290441	-4.554354
C	3.190481	0.376344	4.337731	C	-1.021334	0.923714	-3.384787
H	4.061135	0.666869	4.918365	H	-0.215088	1.628754	-3.221223
C	3.115900	-0.906036	3.781992	C	-2.816081	3.526825	1.873534
H	3.930772	-1.610821	3.916313	C	-3.313494	4.797995	1.669662

C	-4.344686	5.000157	0.745198	C	6.460428	1.403293	0.751676
C	-4.898368	3.922811	0.079227	C	6.992263	0.303346	1.398413
C	-6.460165	1.405388	-0.750693	C	6.241315	-0.872191	1.508582
C	-6.992496	0.305922	-1.397842	C	4.995979	-0.946732	0.920460
C	-6.242022	-0.869866	-1.508574	C	3.200434	0.056434	-0.485041
C	-4.996661	-0.945150	-0.920593	C	2.738440	1.113062	-1.258927
C	-3.200806	0.056614	0.485536	C	3.347715	2.403810	-1.187872
C	-2.738408	1.112718	1.259904	C	4.505961	2.586013	-0.345285
C	-3.346997	2.403814	1.189167	C	5.133897	1.418142	0.250479
C	-4.505149	2.586842	0.346636	C	4.421097	0.161402	0.249285
C	-5.133610	1.419470	-0.249555	F	-0.000563	-0.040428	-0.000032
C	-4.421343	0.162432	-0.248879	F	-0.366772	-4.098699	2.712084
C	2.817378	3.527267	-1.871959	F	-0.165468	-6.430235	1.364388
C	3.315427	4.798130	-1.667739	F	0.162189	-6.429155	-1.369370
C	4.346686	4.999524	-0.743181	F	0.364686	-4.096528	-2.715064
C	4.899824	3.921724	-0.077494				

**Table S1:** Fluoride anion calculation details.

Compound	HF (Hartree)	H <sub>corr</sub> (Hartree)	H	FIA (Hartree)	FIA (kJ/mol)
<b>A</b>	-3155.5347259	0.353272	-3155.181454	0.1230609	323.10
[A-F] <sup>-</sup>	-3255.5461819	0.355335	-3255.190847		
<b>B</b>	-2418.5135861	0.427208	-2418.086378	0.1245093	326.90
[B-F] <sup>-</sup>	-2518.5262055	0.428985	-2518.097221		
<b>7</b>	-5001.7648994	0.716896	-5001.0480034	0.1521099	399.36
[7-μ <sub>2</sub> -F] <sup>-</sup>	-5101.8047435	0.718297	-5101.0864465		
<b>8</b>	-4604.7092489	0.746627	-4603.9626219	0.1487957	390.66
[8-μ <sub>2</sub> -F] <sup>-</sup>	-4704.7464288	0.748678	-4703.9977508		

The enthalpy of the fluoride anion in the gas phase was determined as -99.8863332 Hartree.