

Efficient one-pot synthesis of [3]catenanes based on Pt(II) metallacycles with a flexible building block

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1. ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR and mass spectra of **1a**

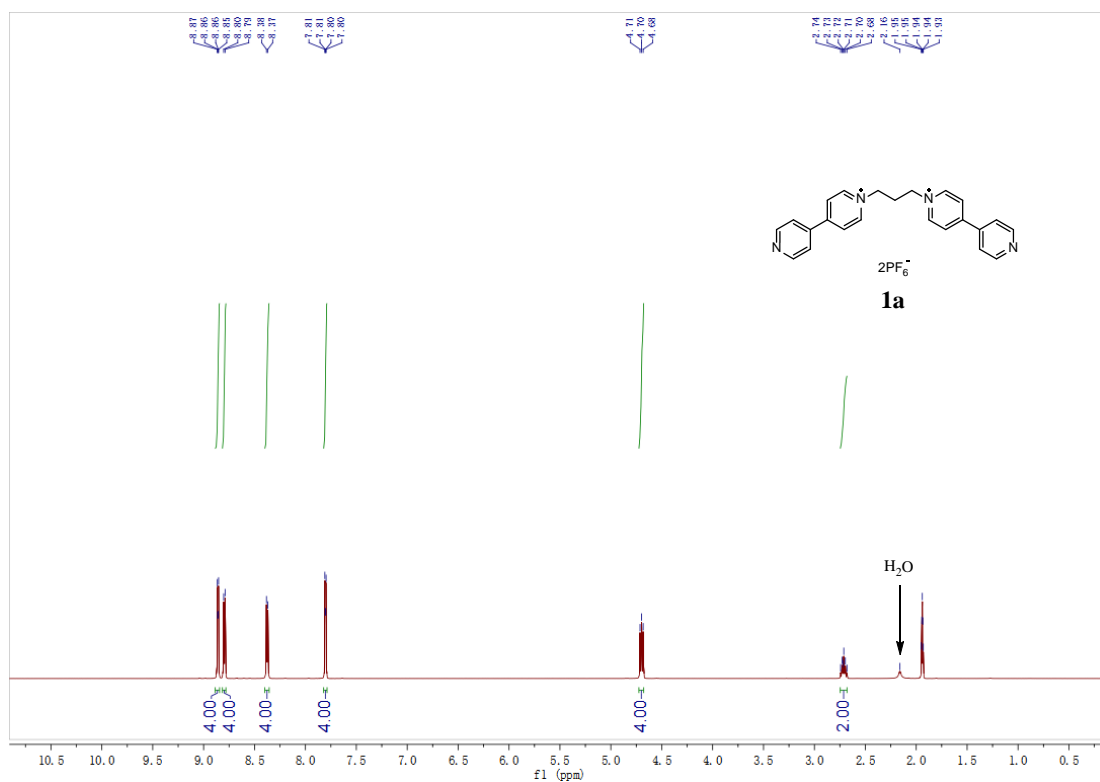


Fig. S1 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3CN , 25 °C) spectrum of **1a**.

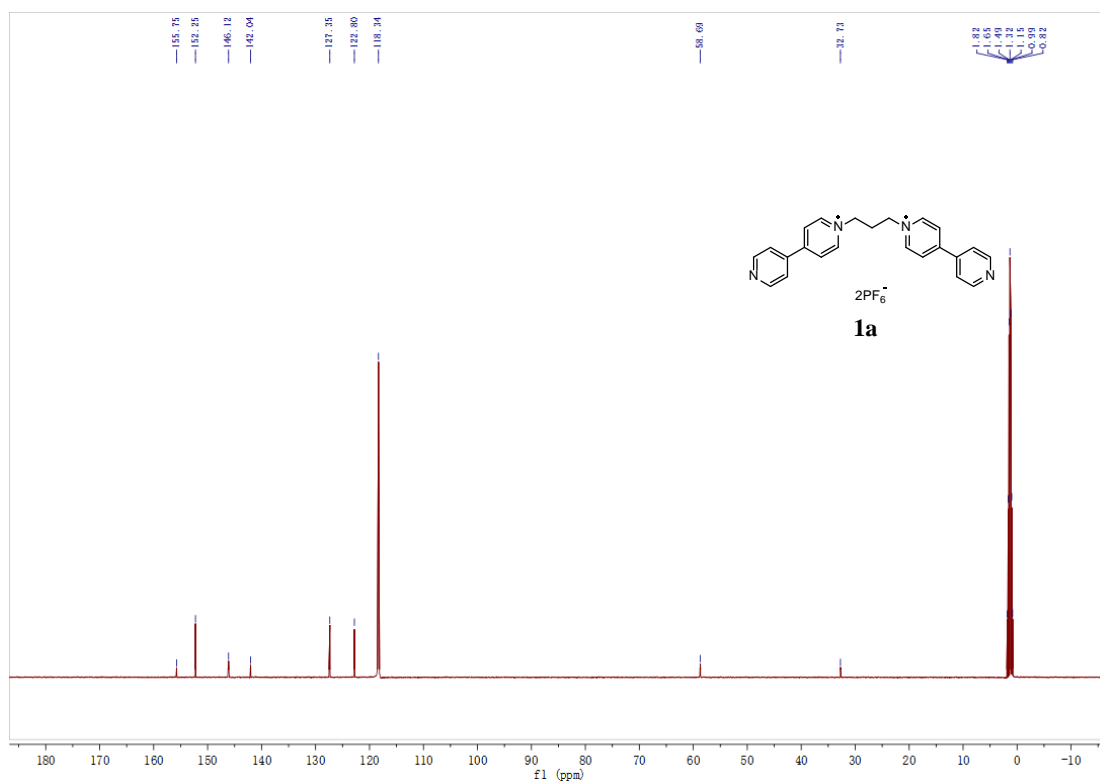


Fig. S2 $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CD_3CN , 25 °C) spectrum of **1a**.

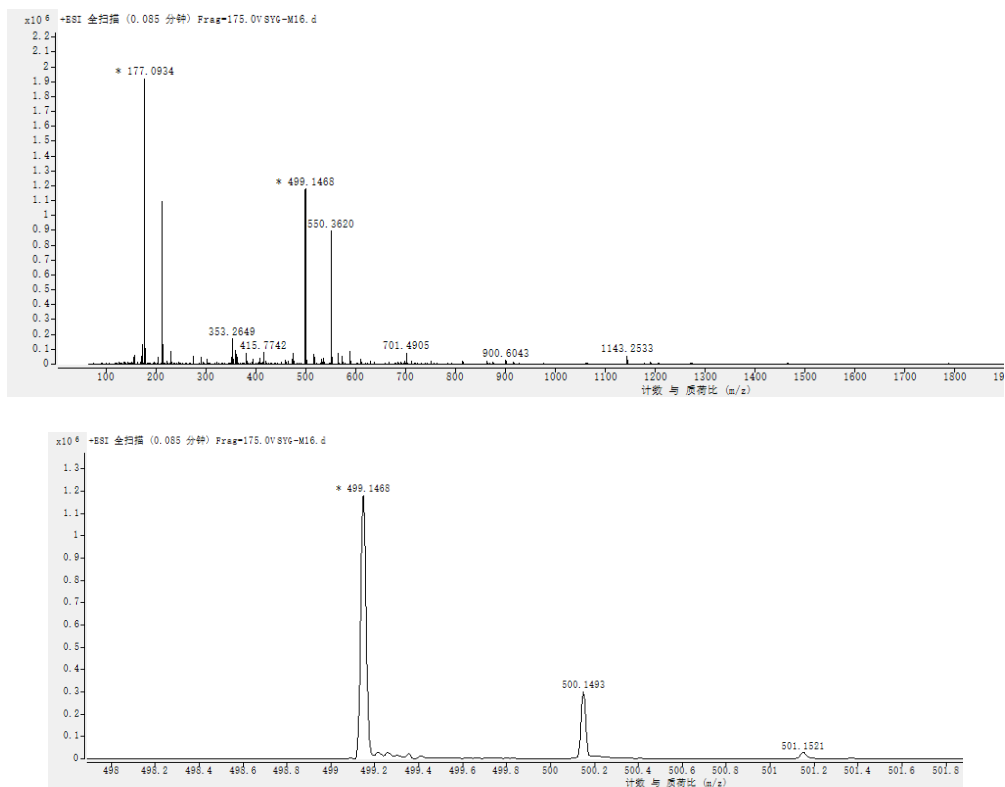


Fig. S3 High resolution electrospray ionization mass spectrum of **1a**. m/z calcd. for $C_{23}H_{22}F_6N_4P$ ($[M - PF_6]^+$), 499.1481; found, 499.1468, error -2.6 ppm.

2. 1H NMR spectrum of **1b**

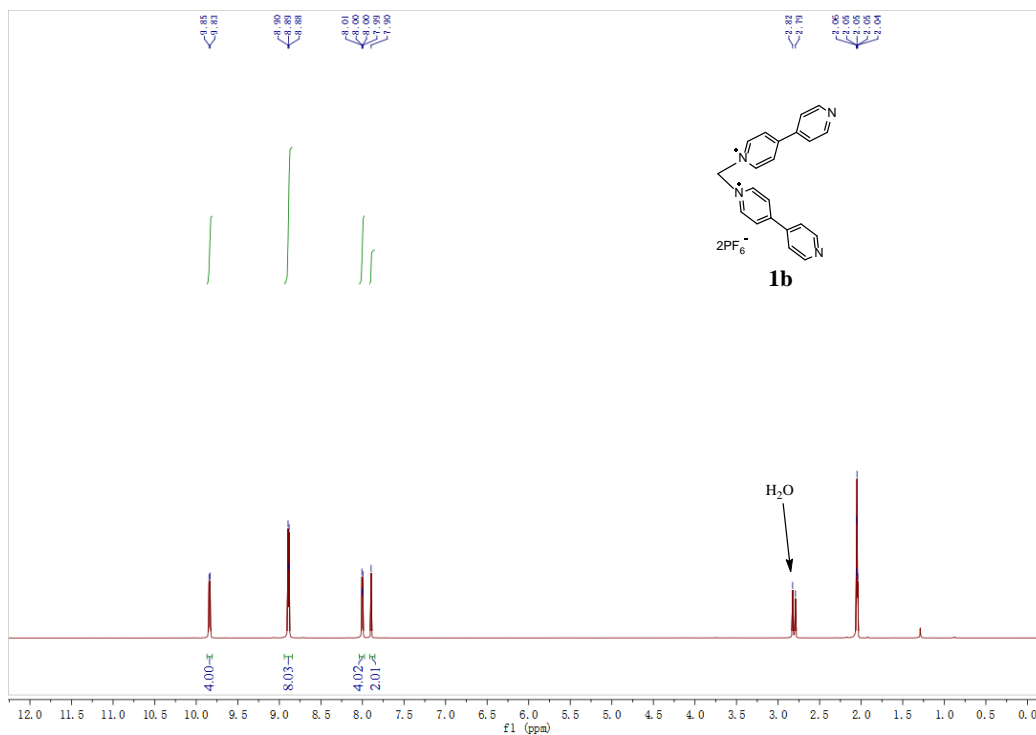


Fig. S4 1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of **1b**.

3. ^1H NMR, ^{31}P NMR and ^1H - ^1H COSY NMR spectra of metallacycles **2a** and **2b**

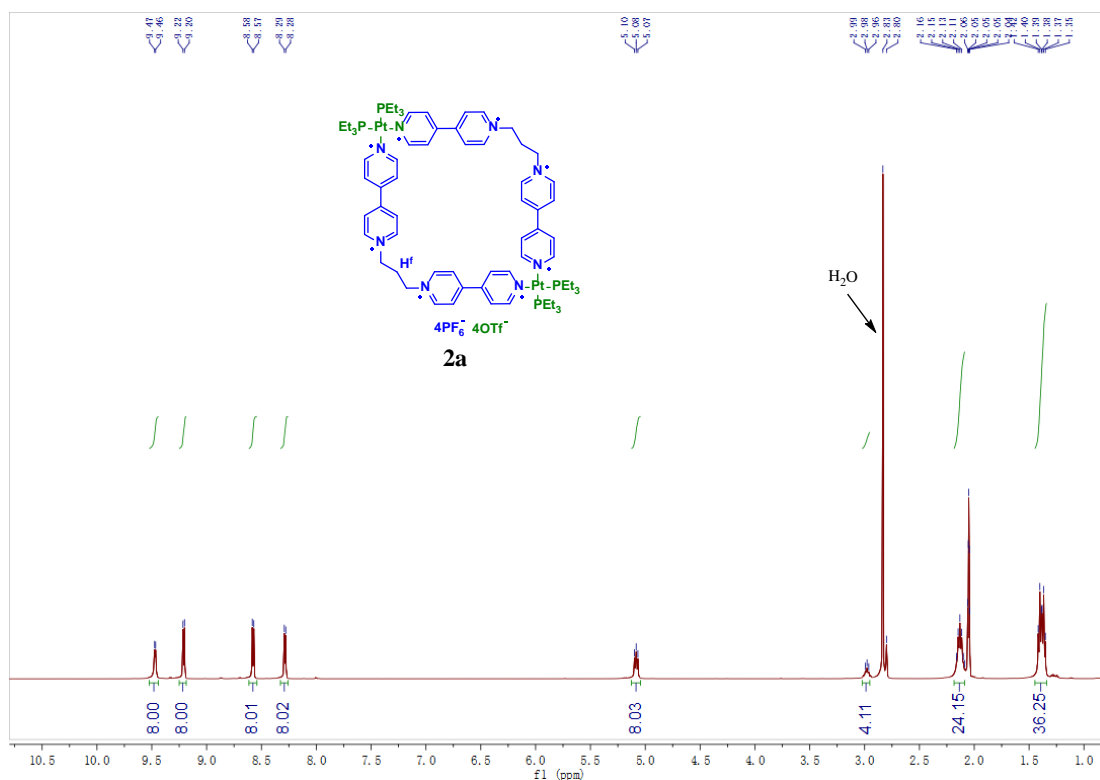


Fig. S5 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **2a**.

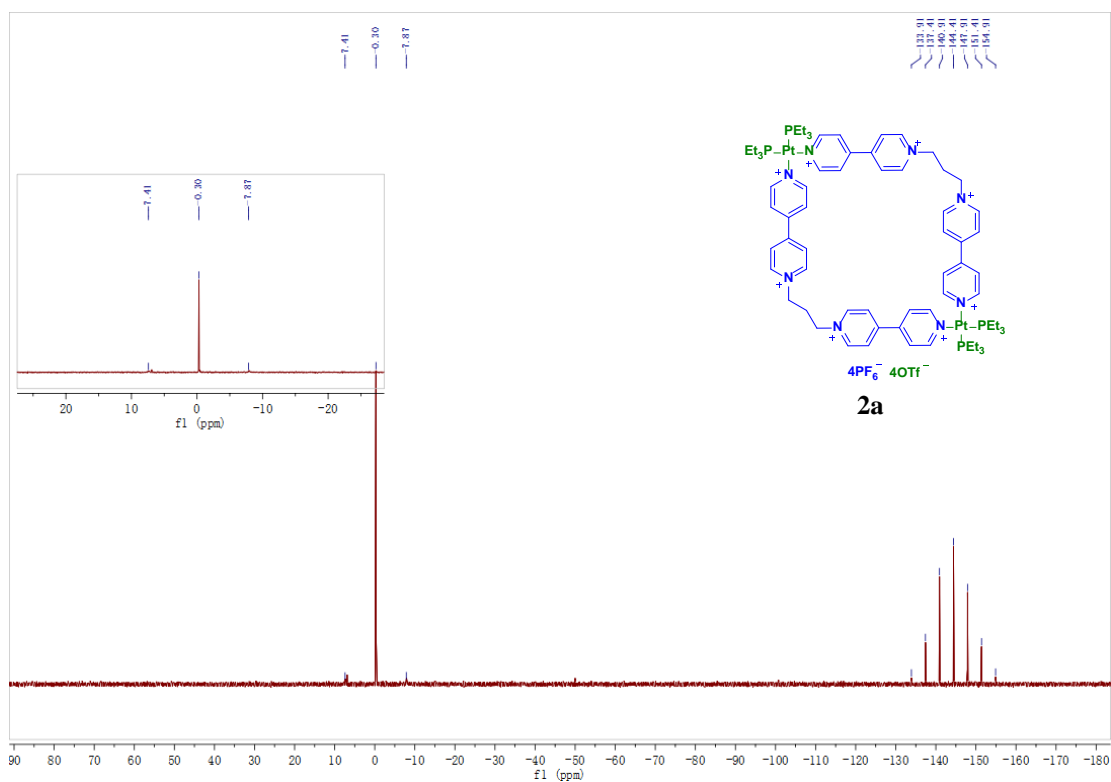


Fig. S6 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **2a**.

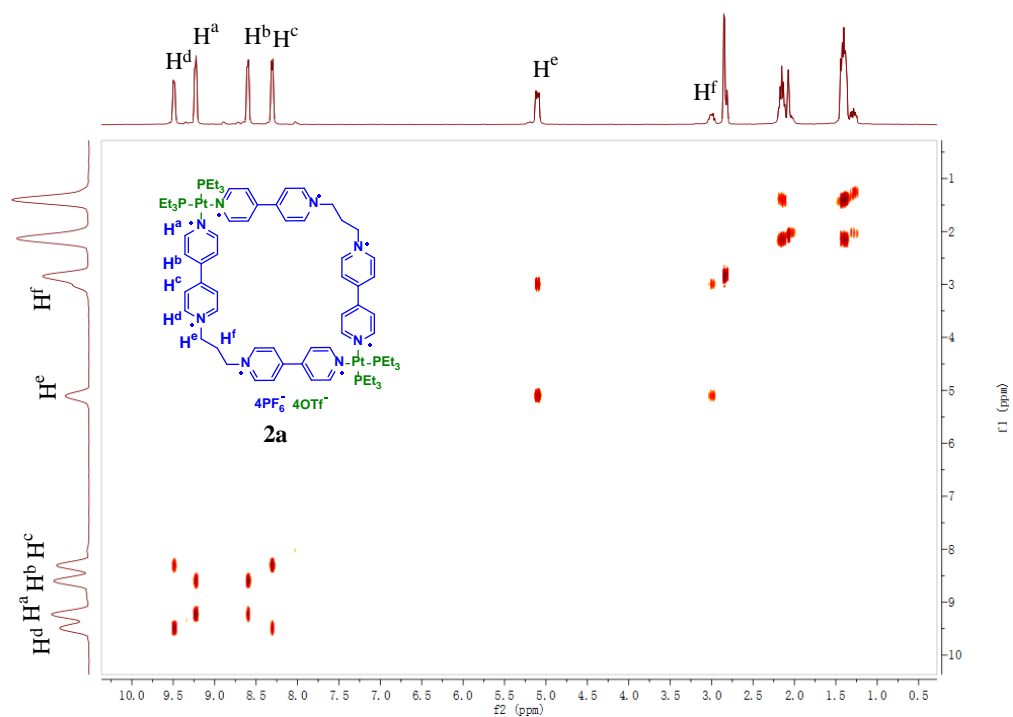


Fig. S7 ^1H - ^1H COSY NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **2a**.

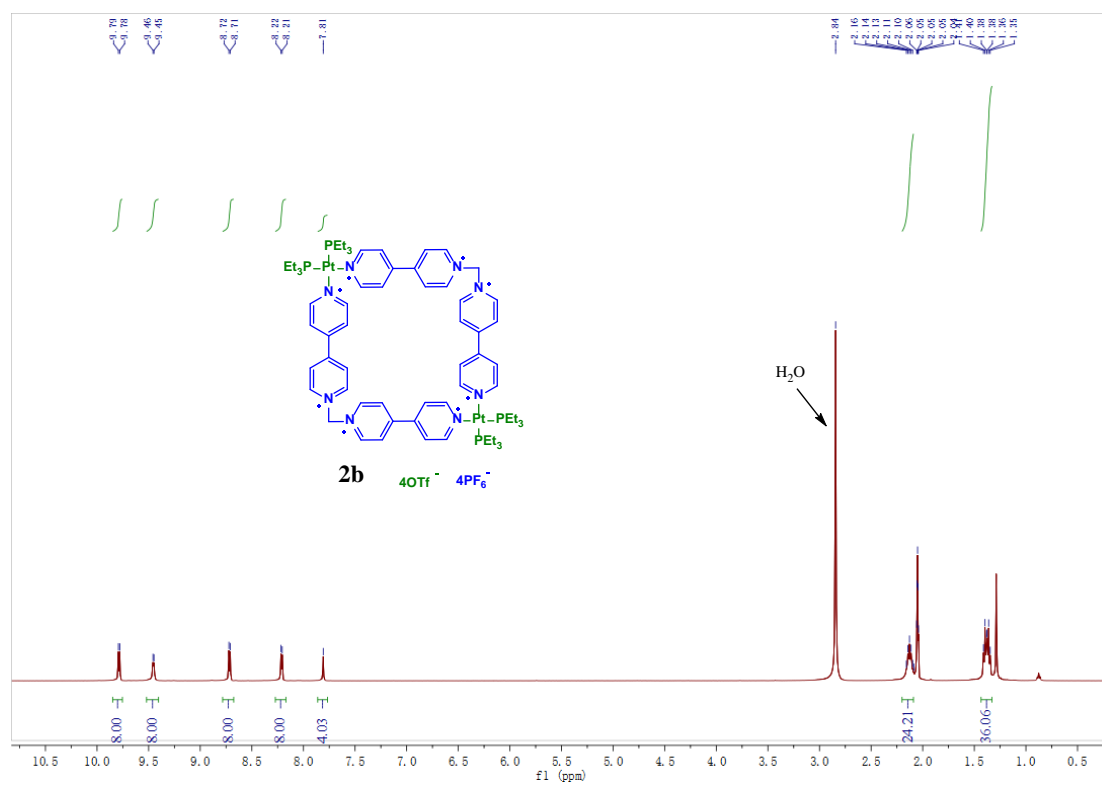


Fig. S8 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **2b**.

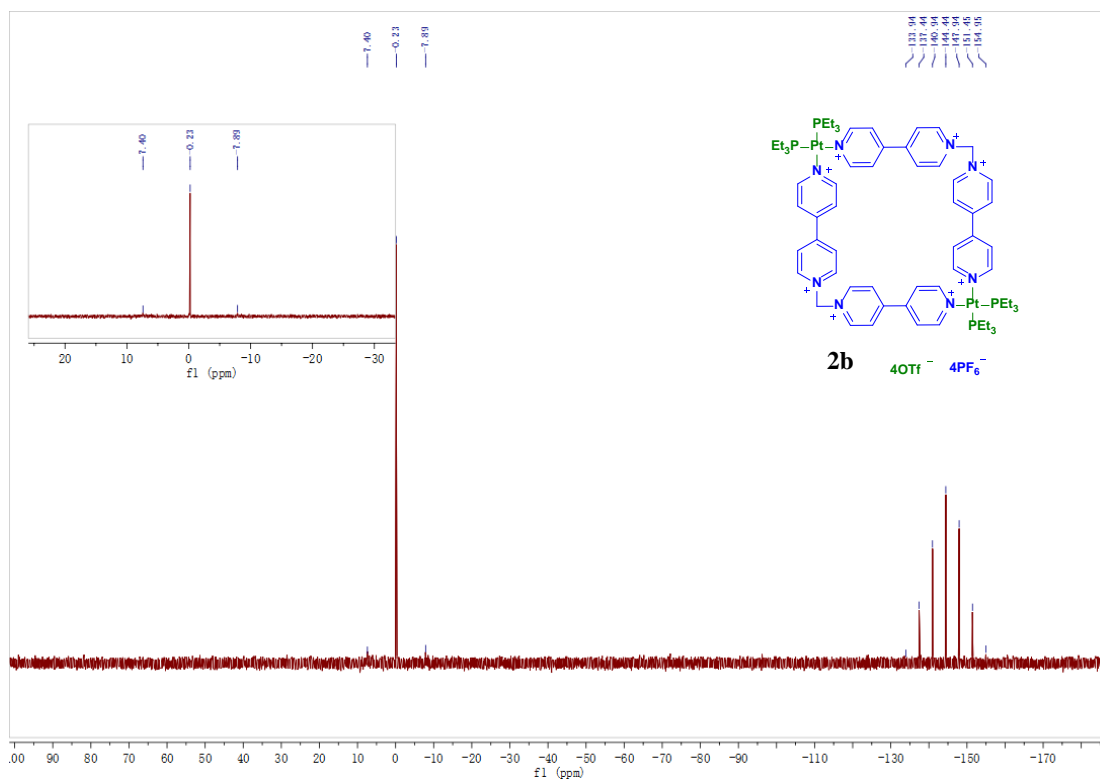


Fig. S9 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **2b**.

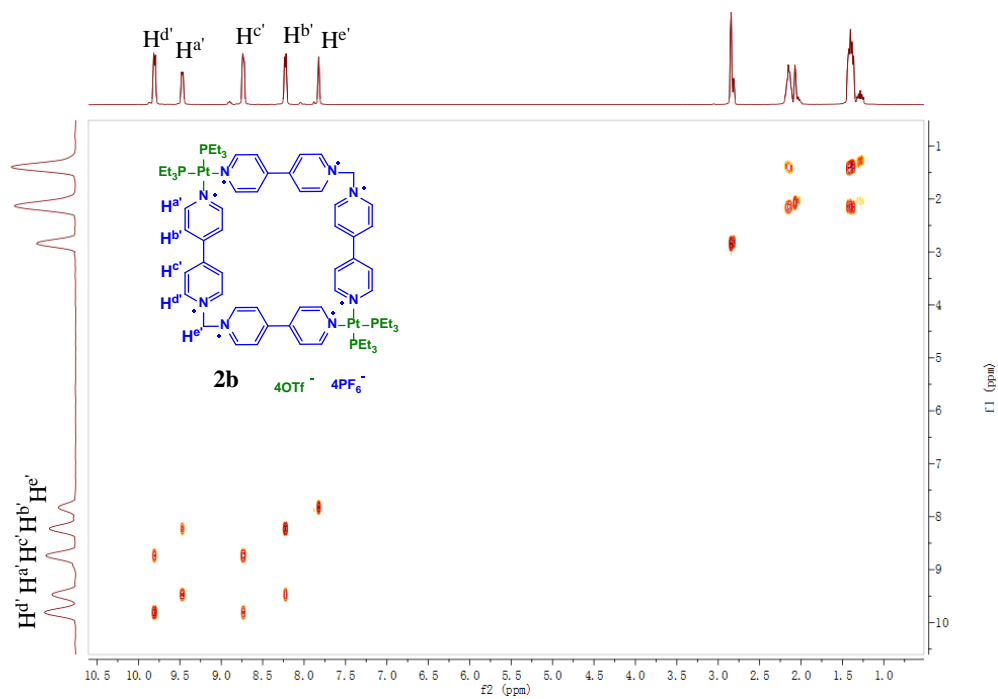


Fig. S10 ^1H - ^1H COSY NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **2b**.

4. ^1H NMR and ^{31}P NMR spectra of [3]catenane **3**, [3]catenane **4** and [3]catenane **5**

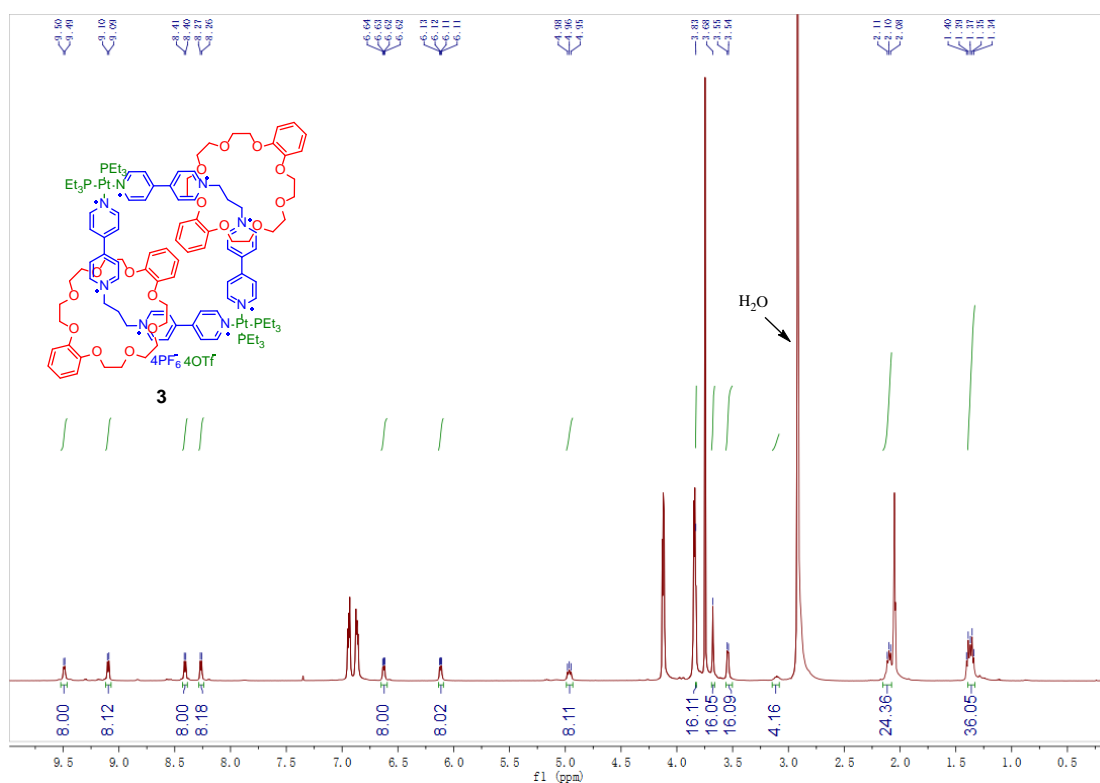


Fig. S11 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **3**.

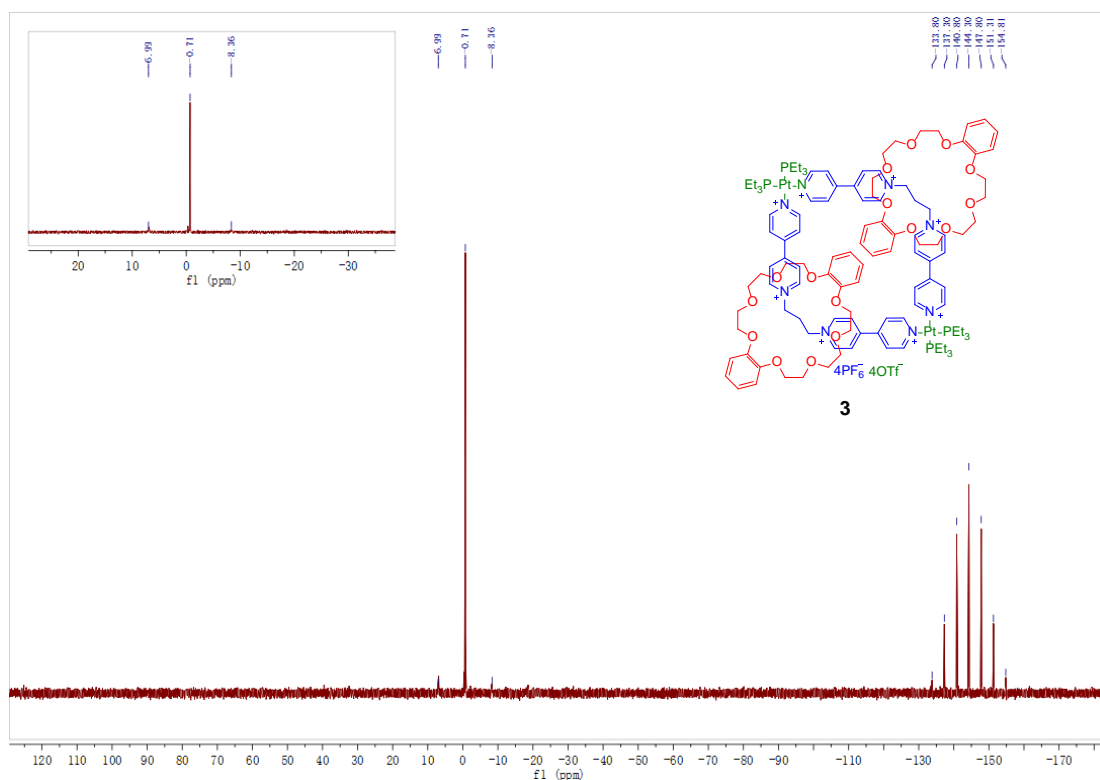


Fig. S12 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **3**.

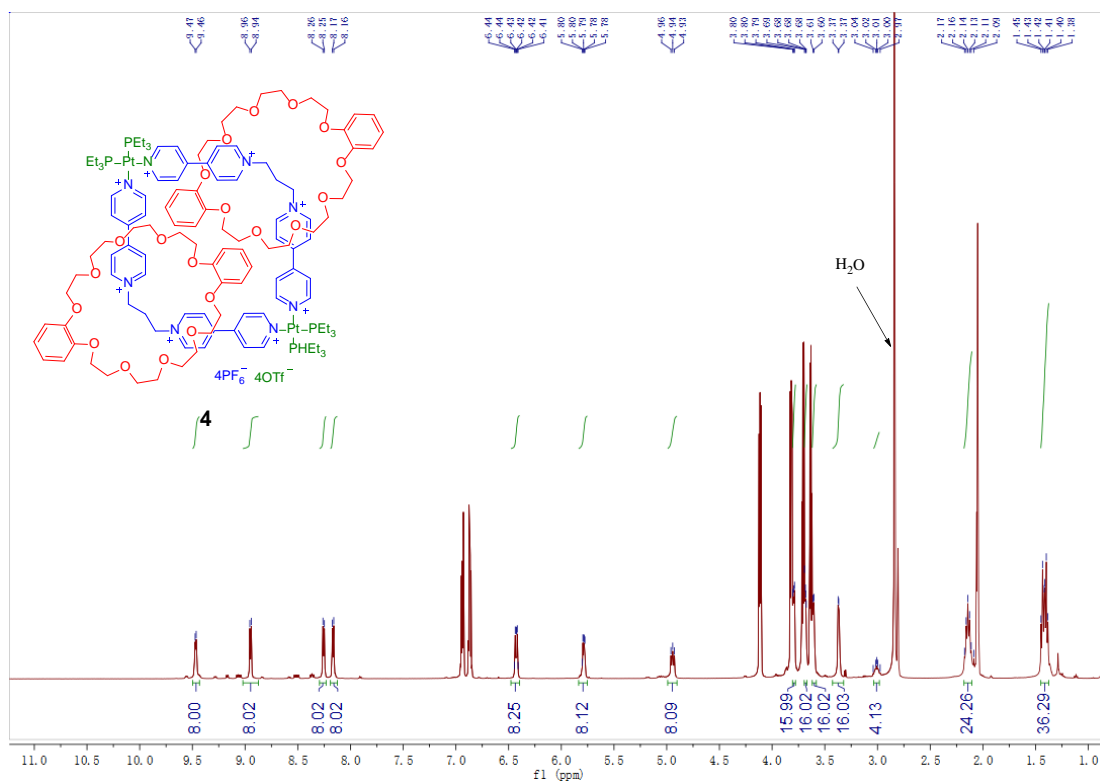


Fig. S13 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-d₆, 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **4**.

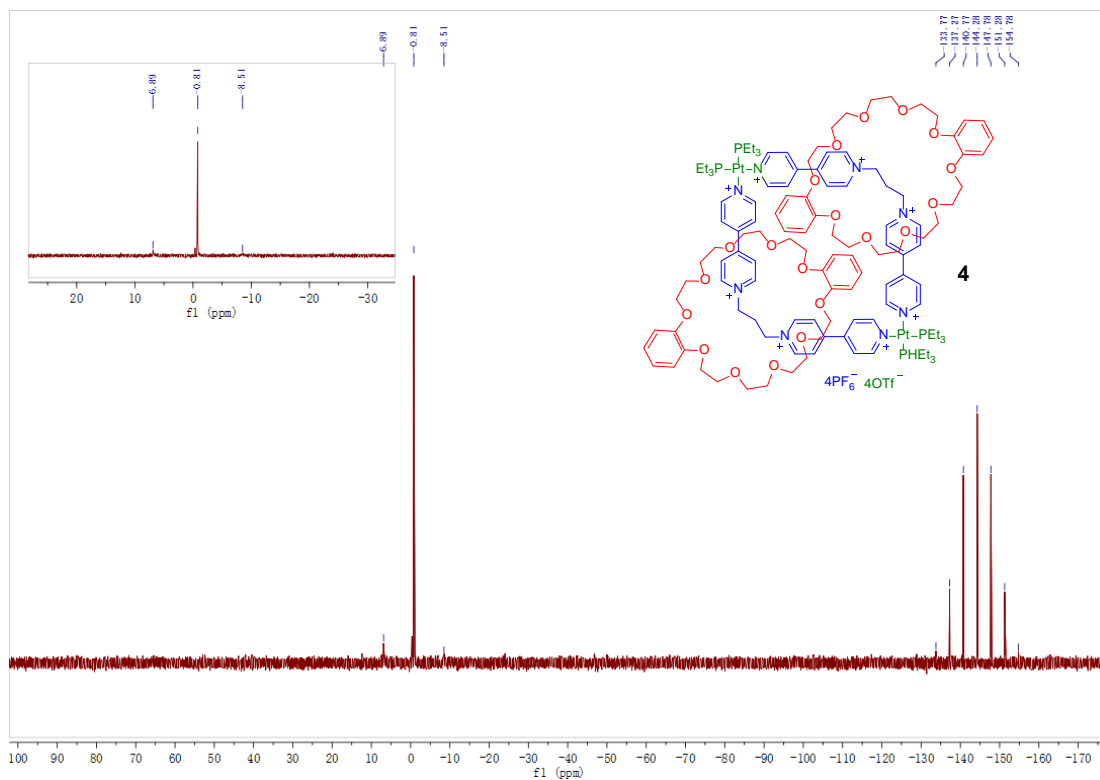


Fig. S14 ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-d₆, 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **4**.

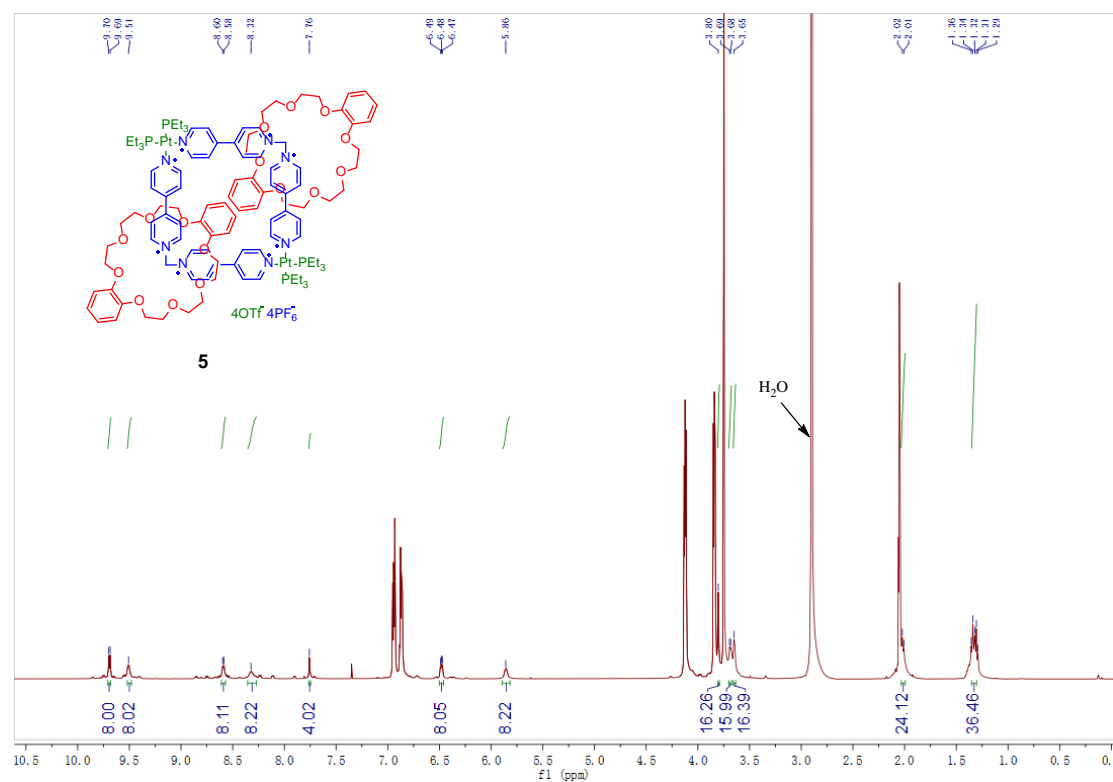


Fig. S15 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **5**.

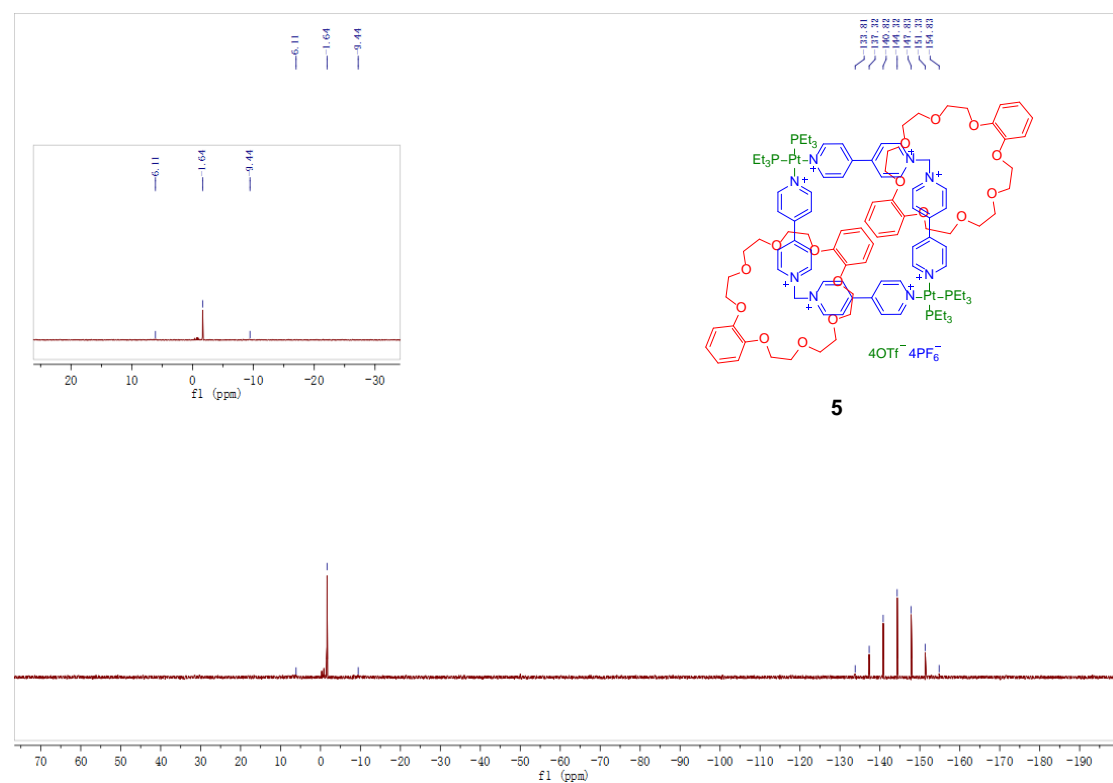


Fig. S16 ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **5**.

5. ESI-MS spectra of metallacycles **2a** and **2b**

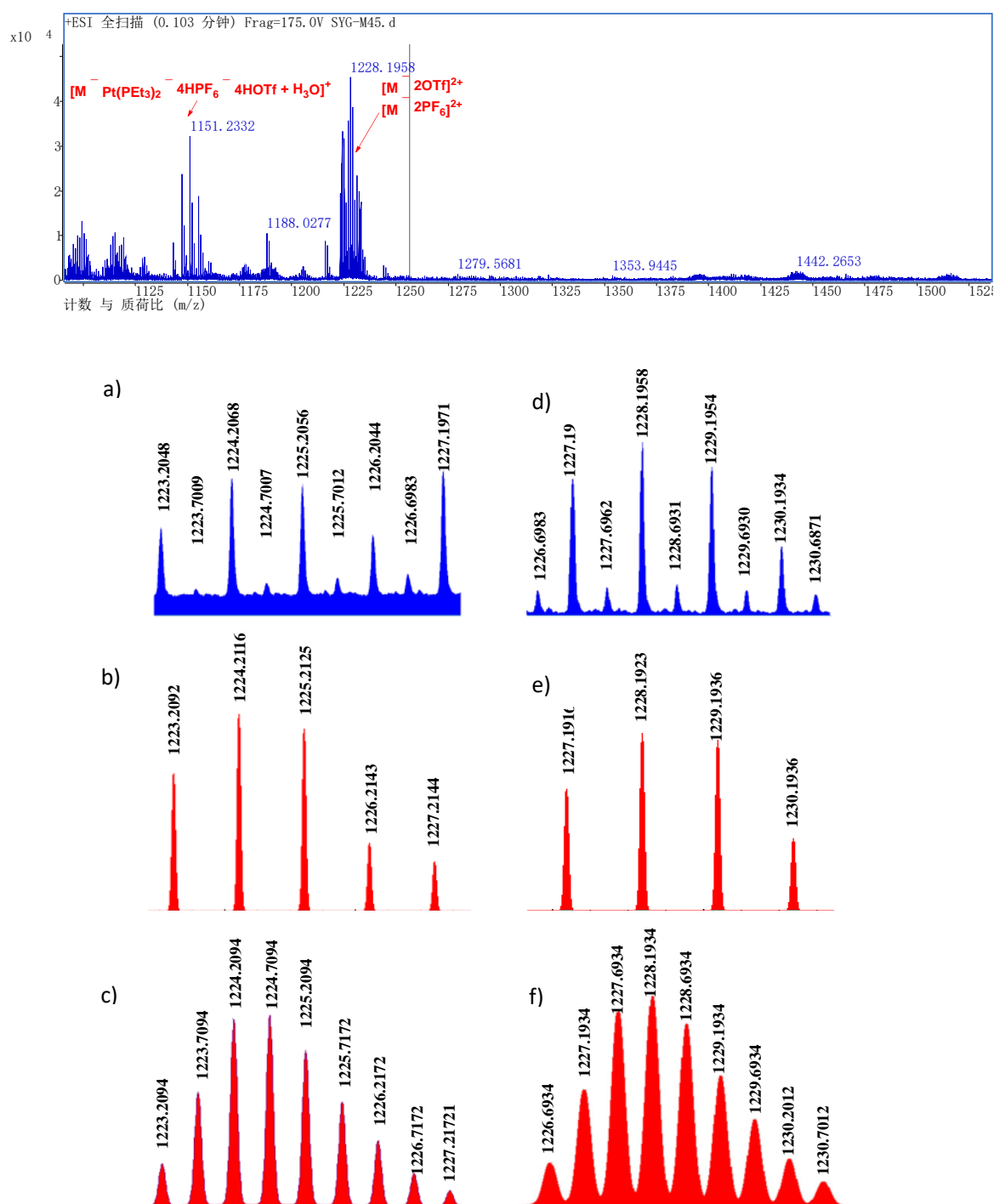


Fig. S17 ESI-MS spectrum of **2a**. a) experimental spectrum of $[2a - 2OTf]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1224.2068$) and its fragment $[1a + 6 - OTf]^+$ ($m/z = 1224.2068$); b) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[1a + 6 - OTf]^+$; c) simulated spectrum of $[2a - 2OTf]^{2+}$; d) experimental spectrum of $[2a - 2PF_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1228.1958$) and its fragment $[1a + 6 - PF_6]^+$ ($m/z = 1228.1958$); e) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[1a + 6 - PF_6]^+$; f) simulated spectrum of $[2a - 2PF_6]^{2+}$.

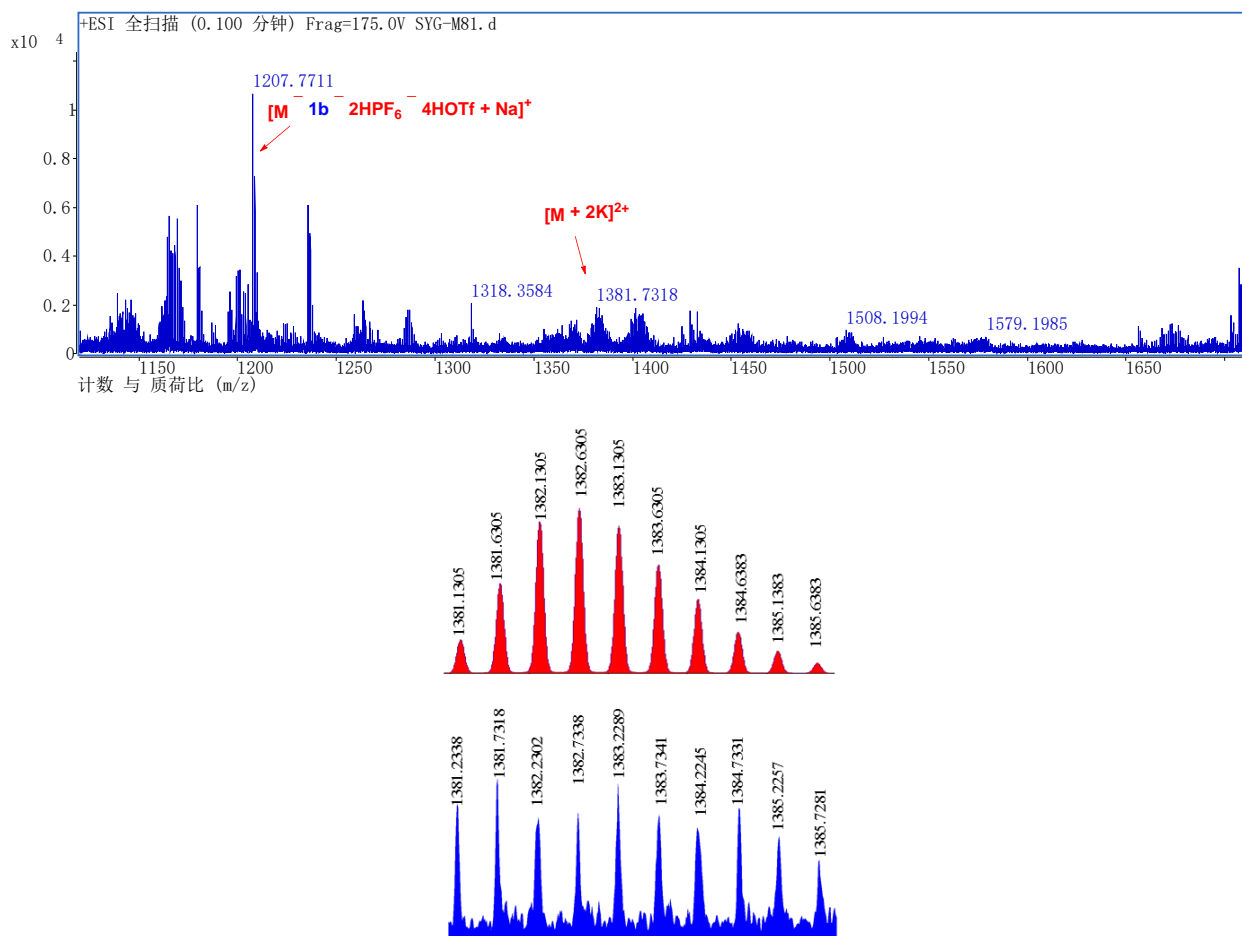
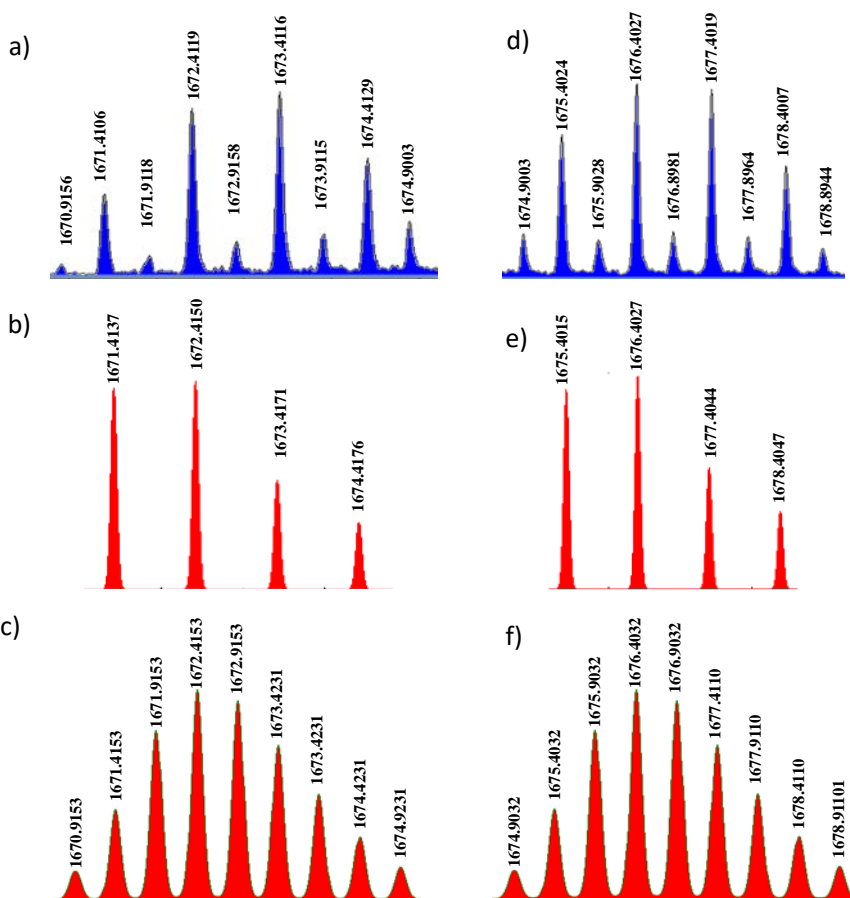
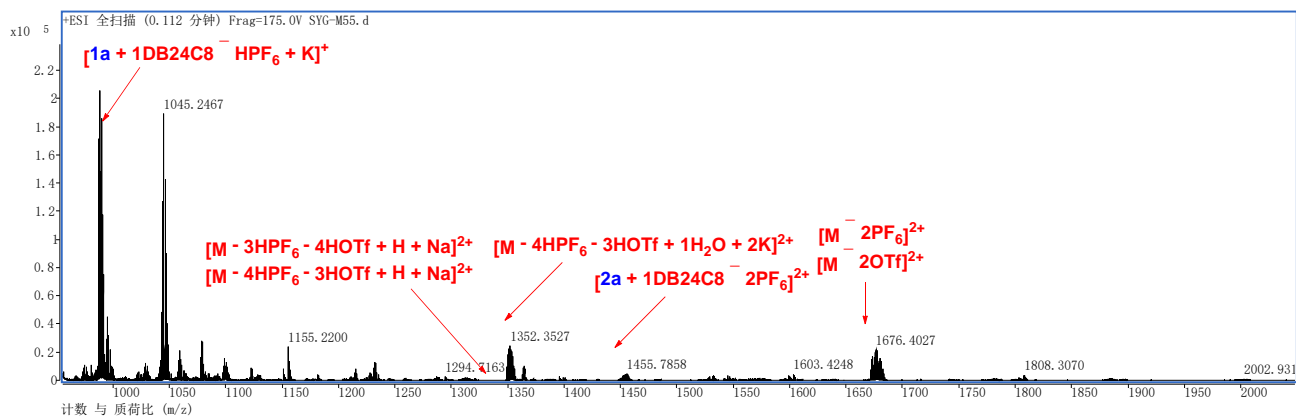


Fig. S18 ESI-MS spectrum of $[2b + 2K]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1383.2289$) (blue), and its simulated spectrum (red).

6. ESI-MS spectra of [3]catenane 3, [3]catenane 4 and [3]catenane 5



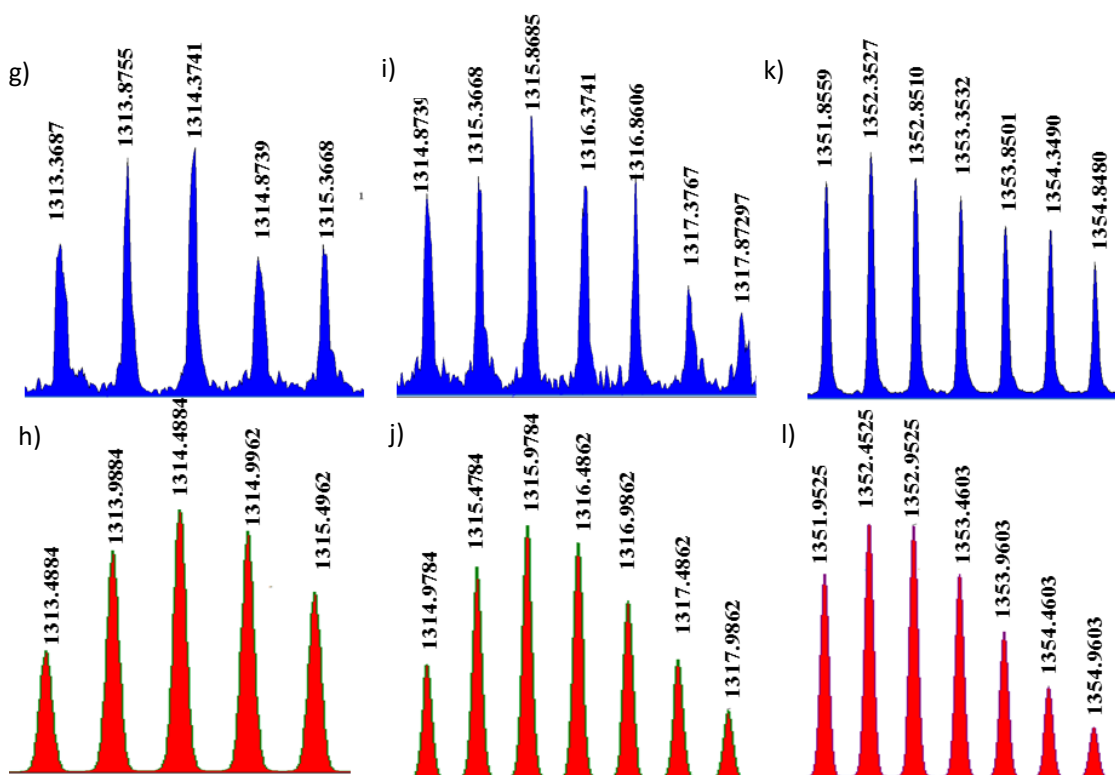
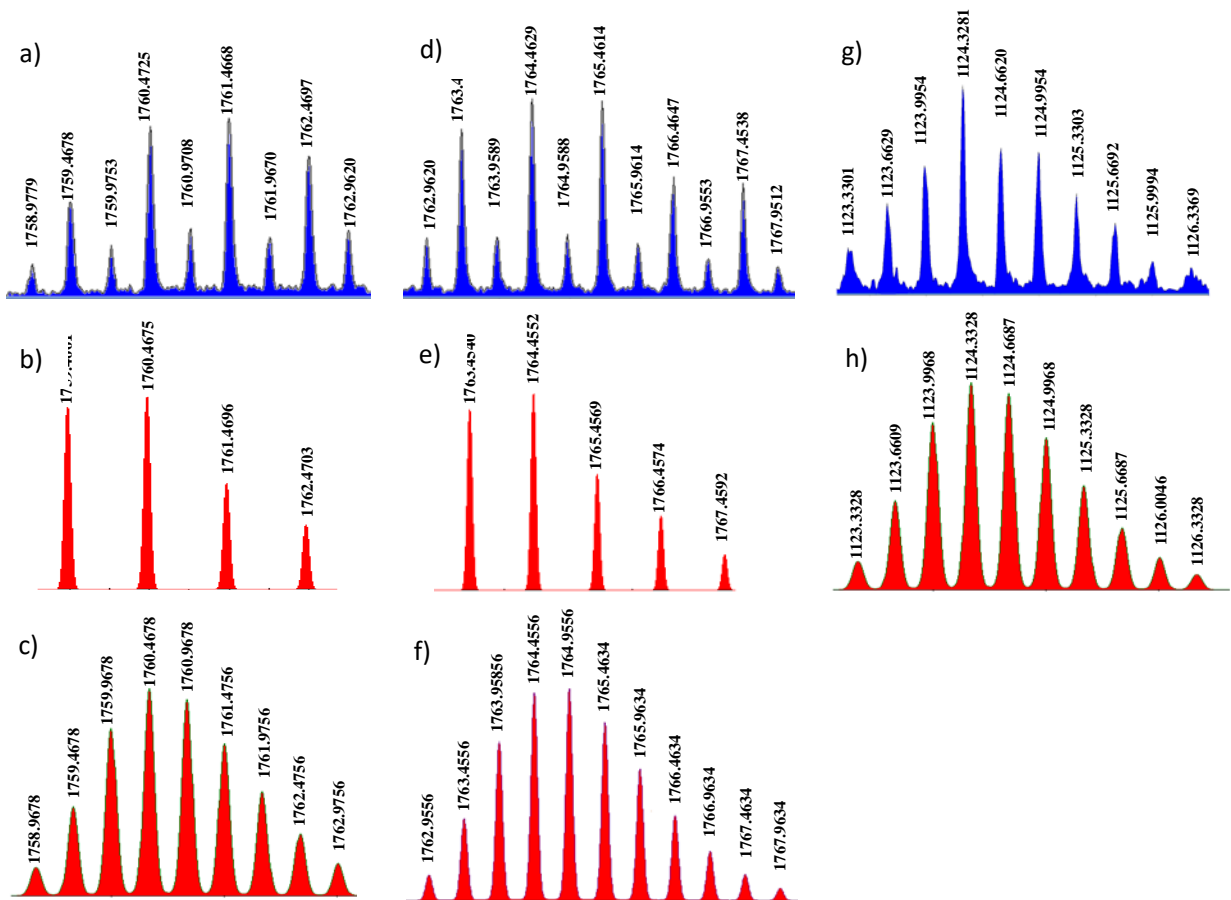
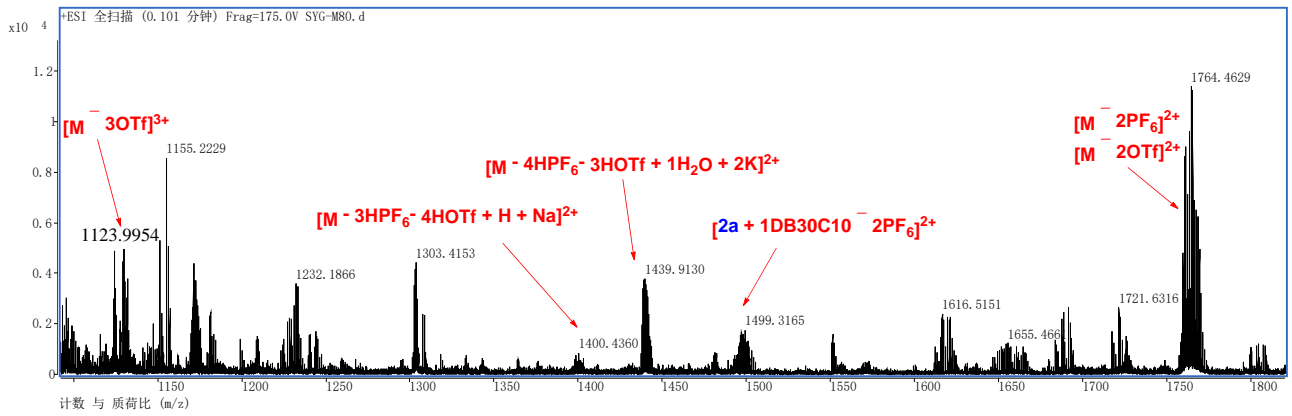


Fig. S19 ESI-MS spectrum of **3**. a) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 2\text{OTf}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1672.4119$) and its fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{OTf}]^+$ ($m/z = 1672.4119$); b) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{OTf}]^+$; c) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 2\text{OTf}]^{2+}$; d) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1676.4027$) and its fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{PF}_6]^+$ ($m/z = 1676.4027$); e) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{PF}_6]^+$; f) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$; g) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 3\text{HPF}_6 - 4\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1314.3741$); h) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 3\text{HPF}_6 - 4\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1314.4884$); i) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1316.3741$); j) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1316.4862$); k) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + 1\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{K}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1352.8510$); l) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{3} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + 1\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{K}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1352.9525$).



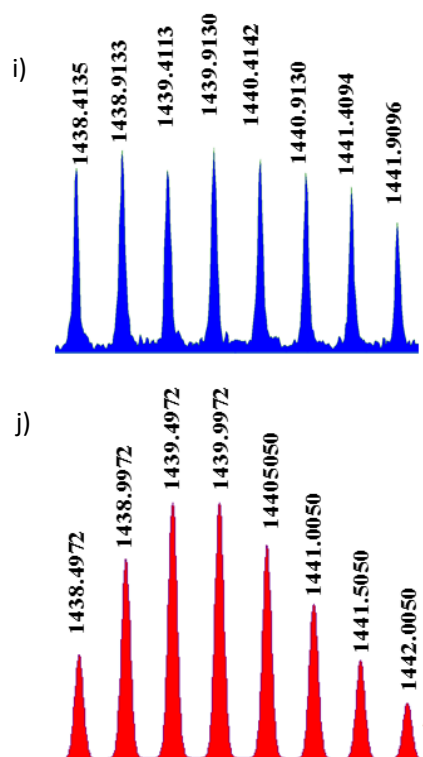
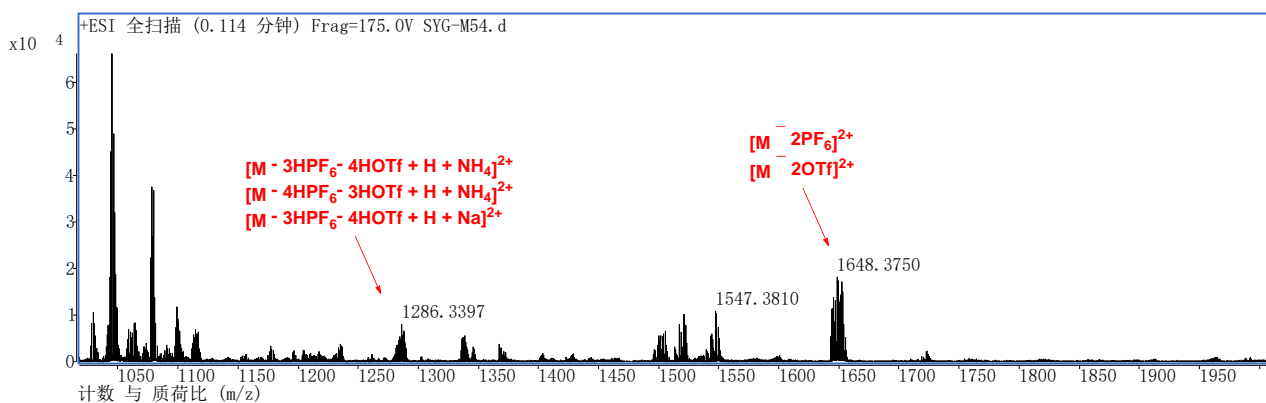
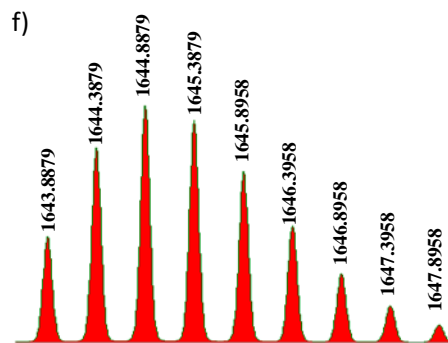
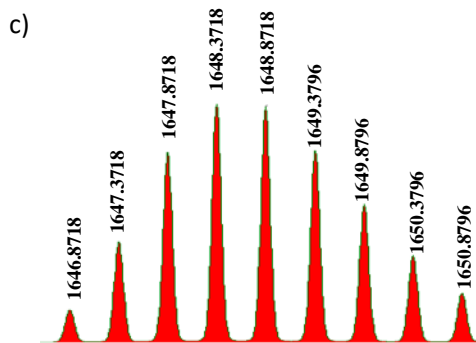
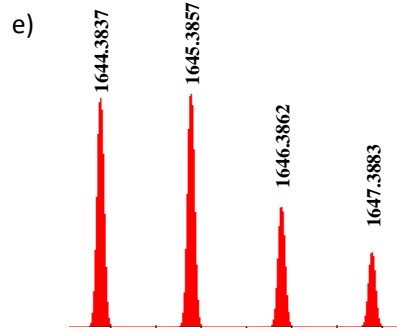
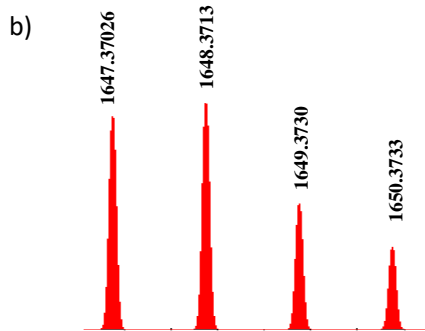
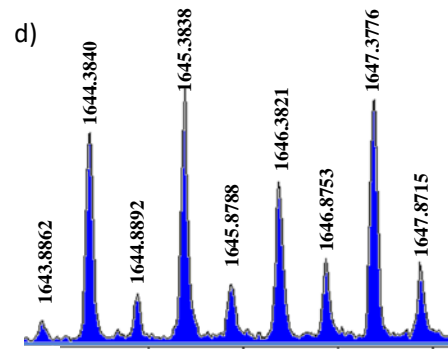
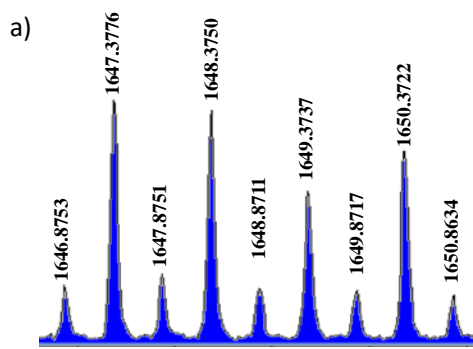


Fig. S20 ESI-MS spectrum of **4**. a) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 2\text{OTf}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1760.4725$) and its fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB30C10} - \text{OTf}]^+$ ($m/z = 1760.4725$); b) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB30C10} - \text{OTf}]^+$; c) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 2\text{OTf}]^{2+}$; d) experimental spectra of $[\mathbf{4} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1764.4629$) and its fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB30C10} - \text{PF}_6]^+$ ($m/z = 1764.4629$); e) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[\mathbf{1a} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB30C10} - \text{PF}_6]^+$; f) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$; g) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 3\text{OTf}]^{3+}$ ($m/z = 1123.9954$); h) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 3\text{OTf}]^{3+}$; i) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + 1\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{K}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1440.4142$); j) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{4} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + 1\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{K}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1440.5050$).





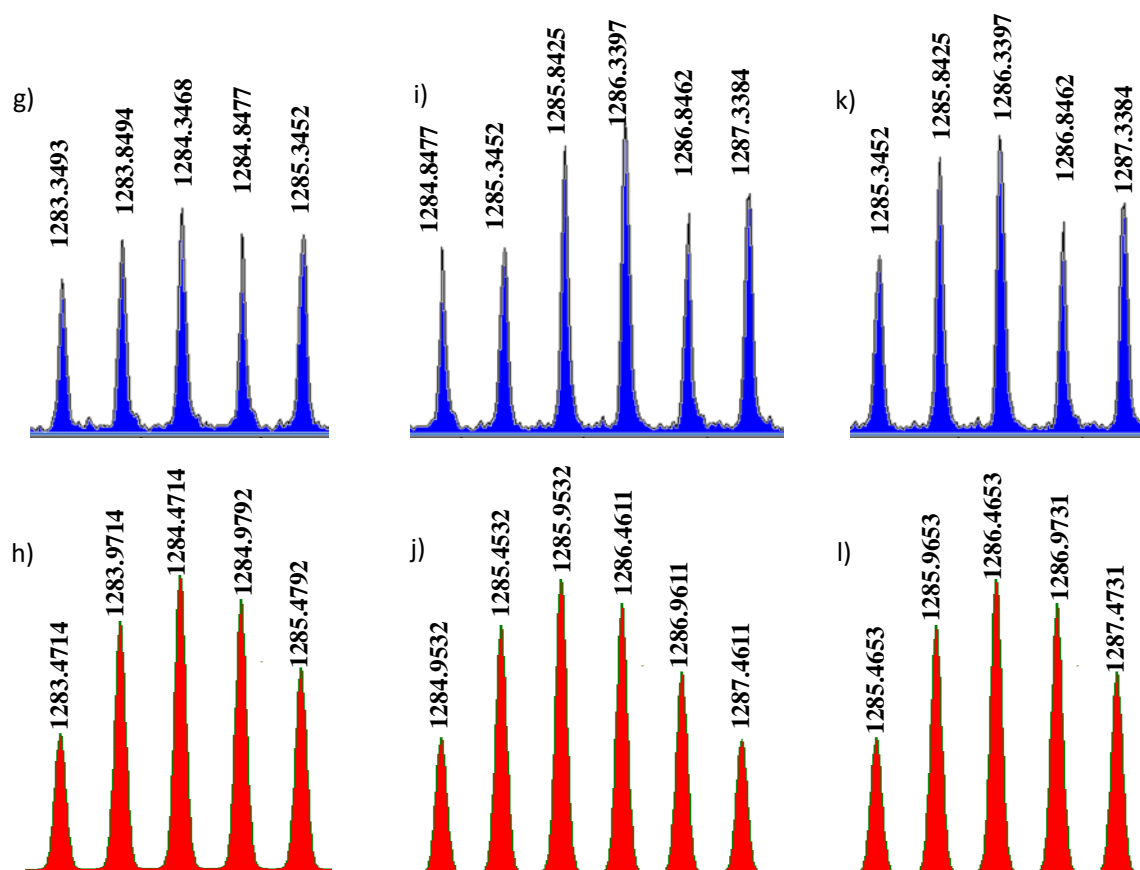


Fig. S21 ESI-MS spectrum of **5**. a) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1648.3750$) and its fragment $[\mathbf{1b} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{PF}_6]^+$ ($m/z = 1648.3750$); b) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[\mathbf{1b} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{PF}_6]^+$; c) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$; d) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 2\text{OTf}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1644.3840$) and its fragment $[\mathbf{1b} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{OTf}]^+$ ($m/z = 1644.3837$); e) simulated spectrum of the fragment $[\mathbf{1b} + \mathbf{6} + \text{DB24C8} - \text{OTf}]^+$; f) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 2\text{OTf}]^{2+}$; g) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 3\text{HPF}_6 - 4\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{NH}_4]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1283.8494$); h) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 3\text{HPF}_6 - 4\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{NH}_4]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1283.9714$); i) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{NH}_4]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1285.8425$); j) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 4\text{HPF}_6 - 3\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{NH}_4]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1285.9532$); k) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 3\text{HPF}_6 - 4\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1286.3397$); l) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{5} - 3\text{HPF}_6 - 4\text{HOTf} + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1286.4653$).

7. Investigation of the host-guest complexation $\text{DB24C8} \supset \mathbf{1a}$, $\text{DB30C10} \supset \mathbf{1a}$ and $\text{DB24C8} \supset \mathbf{1b}$

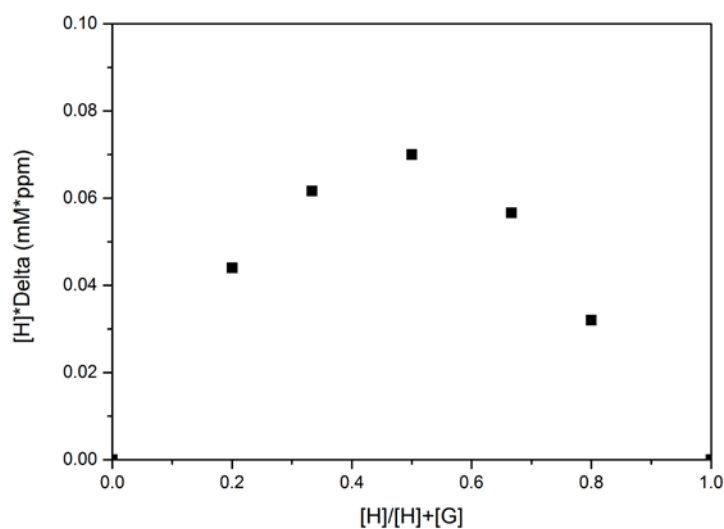


Fig. S22 Job plot showing the 1:1 stoichiometry of the complex between **DB24C8** and the guest **1a** using ^1H NMR data of H^2 on **DB24C8**. $[\text{DB24C8}]_0 + [\mathbf{1a}]_0 = 5.00$ mM in CD_3COCD_3 . $[\text{DB24C8}]_0$ and $[\mathbf{1a}]_0$ are initial concentrations of **DB24C8** and **1a**.

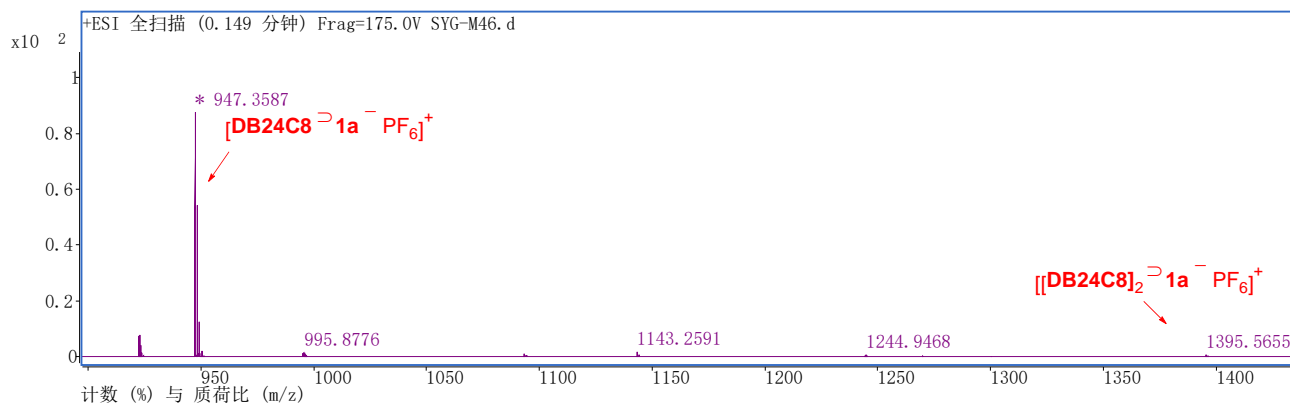


Fig. S23 HRESI mass spectrum of a mixed solution of **1a** and **DB24C8** (1:1 molar ratio). $m/z = 947.3587$ for $[\text{DB24C8} \supset \mathbf{1a} - \text{PF}_6]^+$, and $m/z = 1395.5655$ for $[(\text{DB24C8})_2 \supset \mathbf{1a} - \text{PF}_6]^+$.

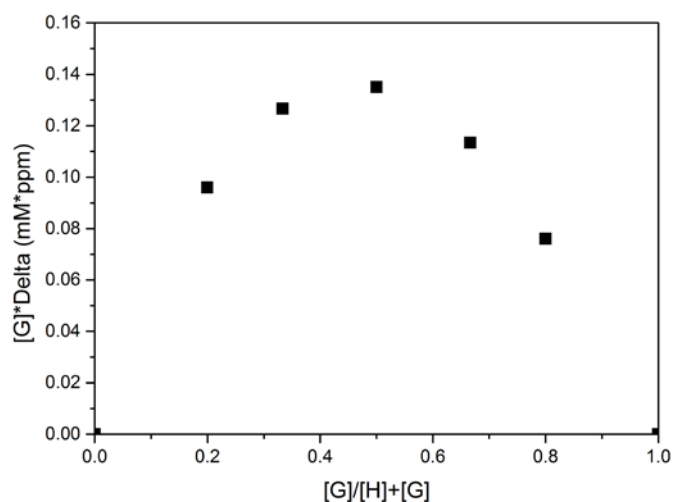


Fig. S24 Job plot showing the 1:1 stoichiometry of the complex between **DB30C10** and the guest **1a** using ^1H NMR data of H^b on **1a**. $[\text{DB30C10}]_0 + [\mathbf{1a}]_0 = 5.00$ mM in CD_3COCD_3 . $[\text{DB30C10}]_0$ and $[\mathbf{1a}]_0$ are initial concentrations of **DB30C10** and **1a**.

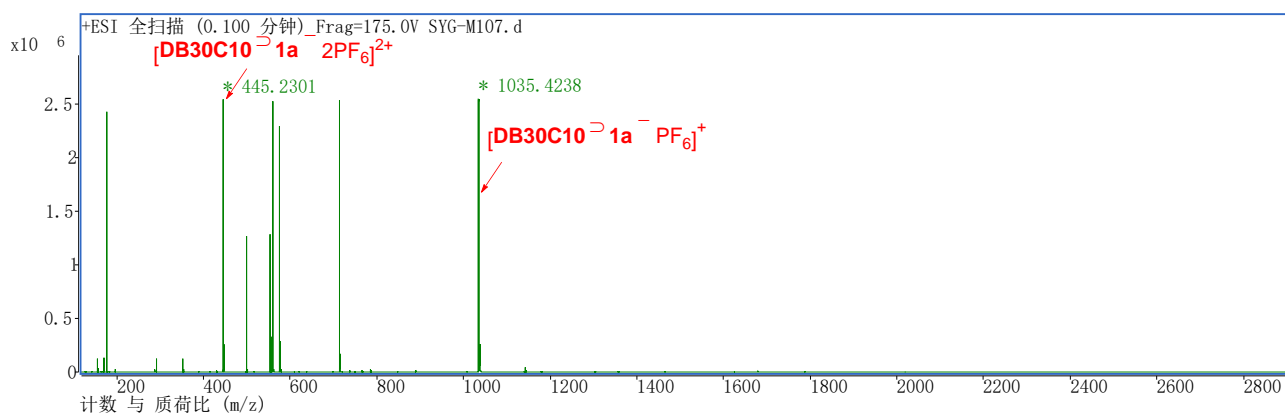


Fig. S25 HRESI mass spectrum of a mixed solution of **1a** and **DB30C10** (1:1 molar ratio). $m/z = 1035.4238$ for $[\text{DB30C10} \supset \mathbf{1a} - \text{PF}_6]^+$, and $m/z = 445.2301$ for $[\text{DB30C10} \supset \mathbf{1a} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$.

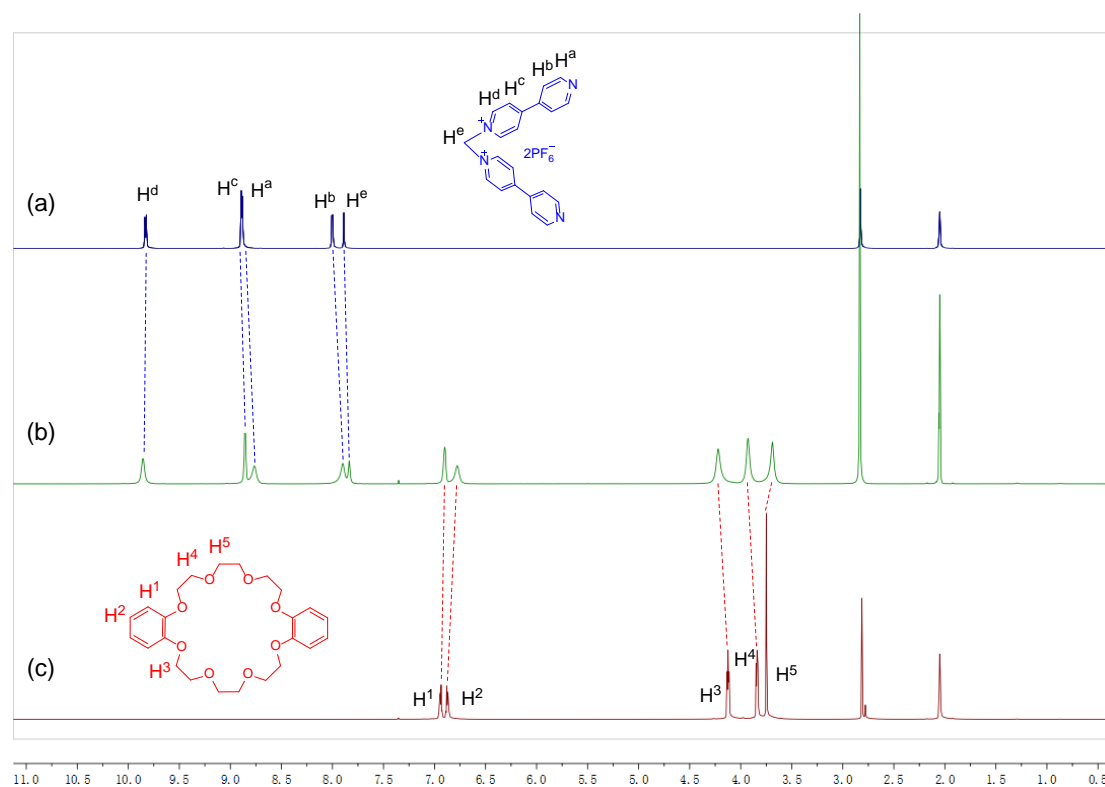


Fig. S26 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of (a) 12.00 mM **1b**, (b) 12.00 mM **1b** + 12.00 mM **DB24C8**, (c) 12.00 mM **DB24C8**.

8. Determination of binding constant (K_a) using the UV-vis titration method

Procedures for UV-vis titration: A 0.04 mM solution of guest **1a** in acetonitrile, and a solution of host (DB24C8 or DB30C10, 20 mM) with guest **1a** (0.04 mM) in acetonitrile were separately prepared. The guest solution (2 mL) was then titrated with the concentrated host solution that contained the guest. Upon each addition, the solution was balanced for more than 1 min before recording the spectrum. The error involved was assumed to be negligible owing to the total change in concentration of the host was small over the course of the titration. The association constants were determined by using the nonlinear least squares fitting of the titration curves and plotting the absorbance A at the host-guest complex charge-transfer band against the concentration of the host. The titration curve was well fitted to the expression of a 1:1 binding isotherm.

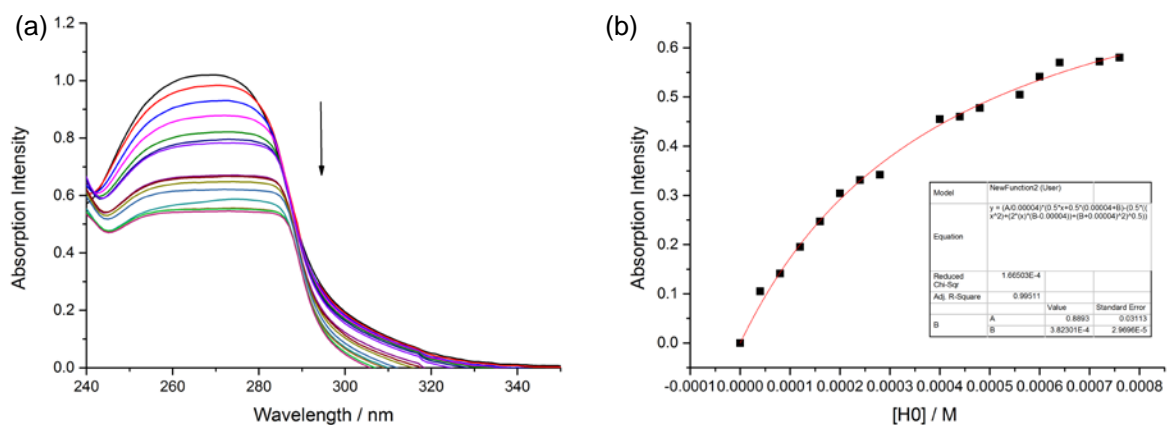


Fig. S27 (a) The absorption spectral changes of **1a** (0.04 mM) upon the addition of **DB24C8** and (b) the absorption intensity changes at $\lambda = 270$ nm upon the addition of **DB24C8**.

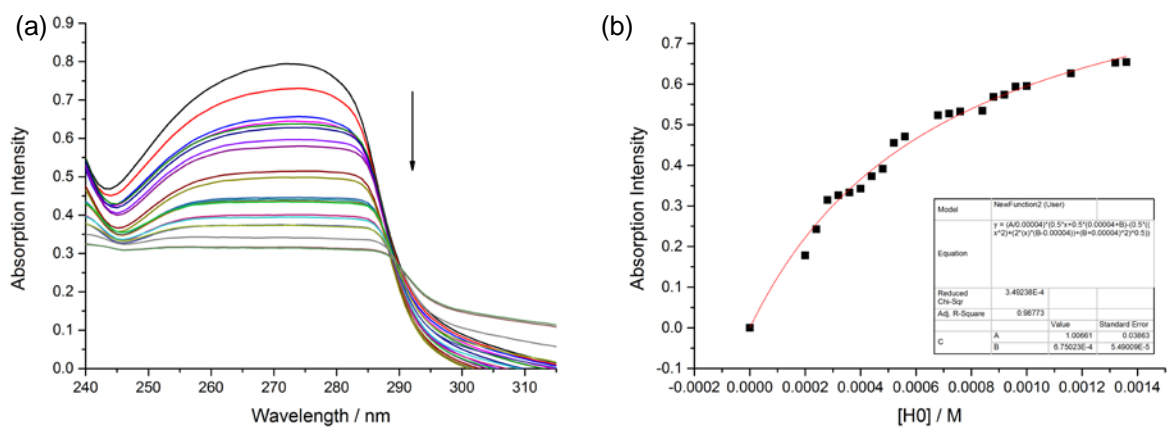


Fig. S28 (a) The absorption spectral changes of **1a** (0.04 mM) upon the addition of **DB30C10** and (b) the absorption intensity changes at $\lambda = 270$ nm upon the addition of **DB30C10**.

9. Crystal structure of **1b**

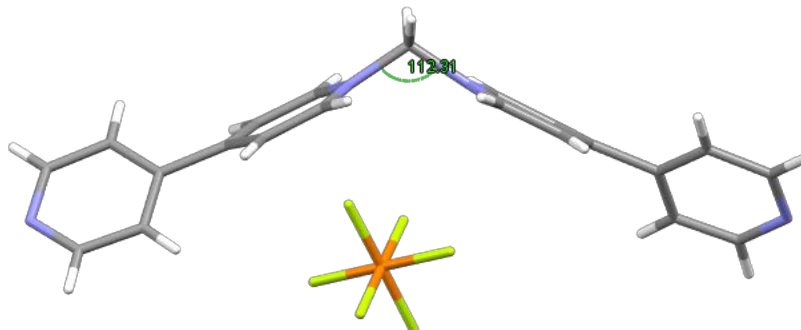


Fig. S29 Crystal structure of 1,1-bis(bipyridinium)methane **1b** reported by Peinador et al. (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2007, **129**, 13978–13986.)

10. NMR spectra of [3]catenanes by using one-pot construction method

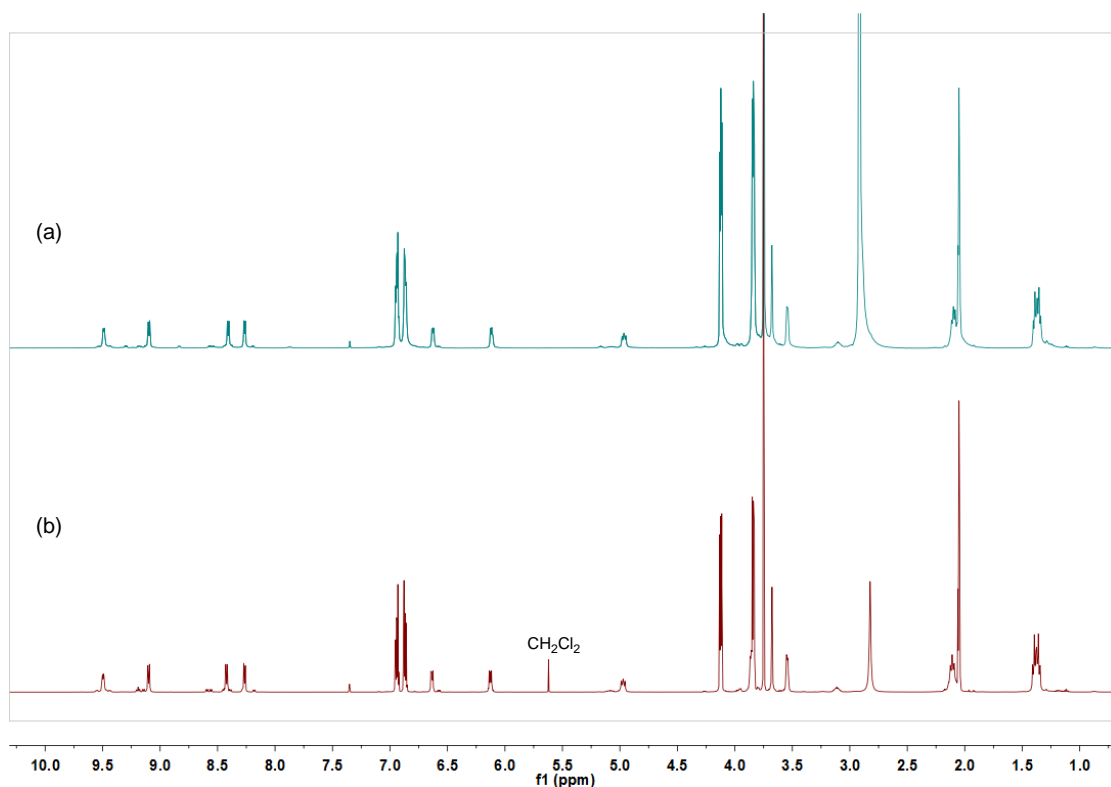


Fig. S30 ¹H NMR spectra (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) of [3]catenane **3** (a) self-assembly followed by threading (**2a** + DB24C8), (b) one-pot reaction (**1a** + **6** + DB24C8).

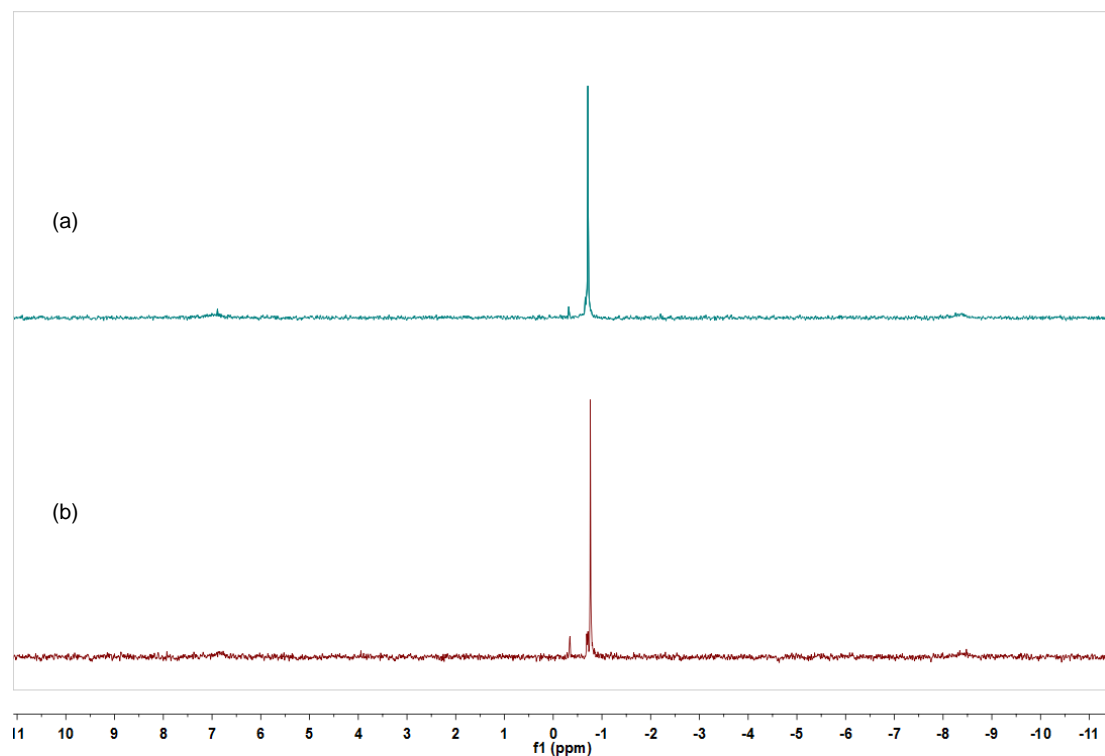


Fig. S31 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) of [3]catenane **3** (a) self-assembly followed by threading (**2a** + DB24C8), (b) one-pot reaction (**1a** + **6** + DB24C8).

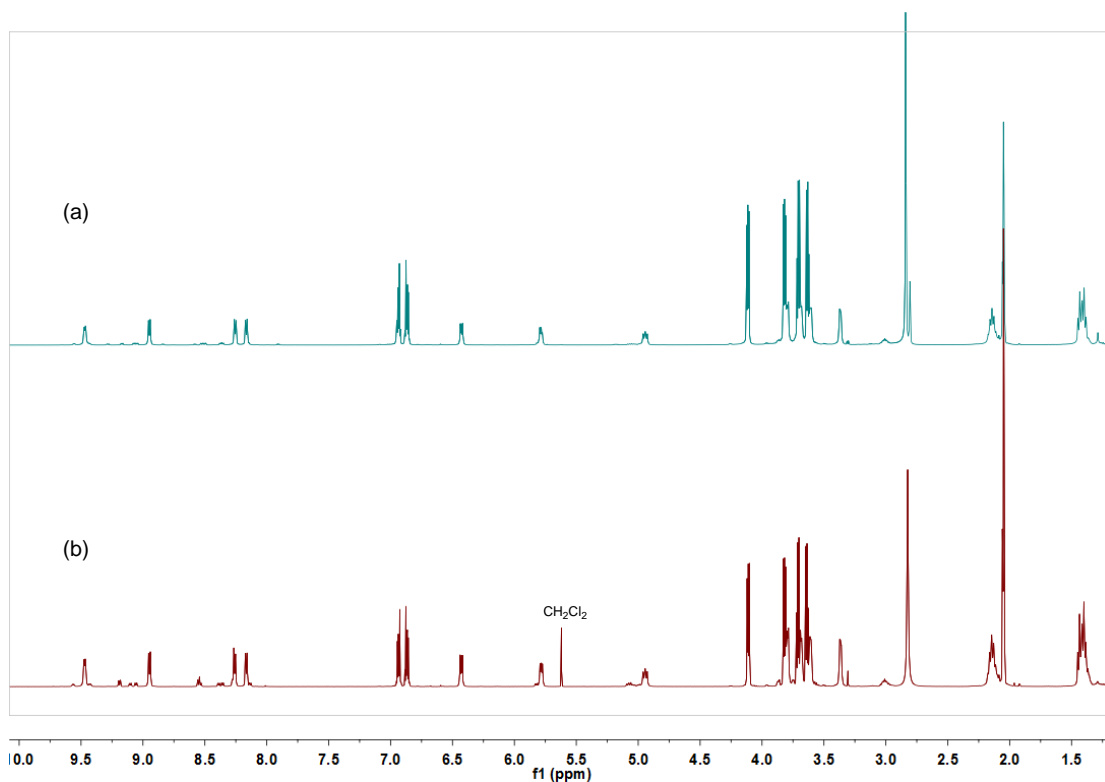


Fig. S32 ^1H NMR spectra (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) of [3]catenane **4** (a) self-assembly followed by threading (**2a** + DB30C10), (b) one-pot reaction (**1a** + **6** + DB30C10).

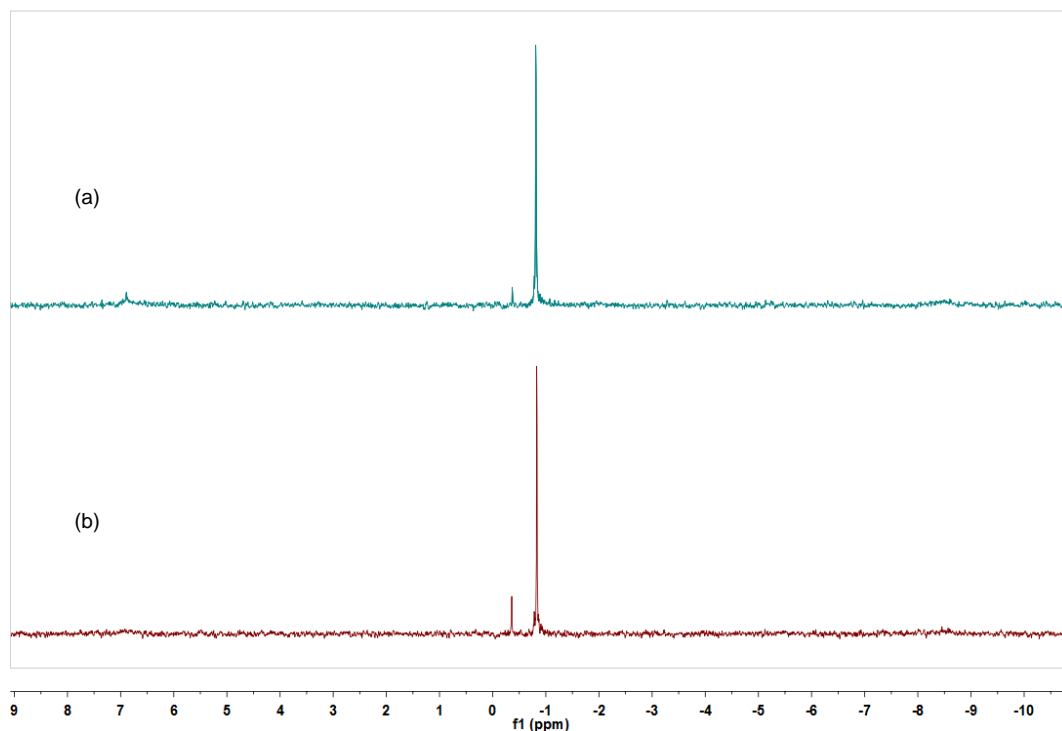


Fig. S33 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) of [3]catenane **4** (a) self-assembly followed by threading (**2a** + DB30C10), (b) one-pot reaction (**1a** + **6** + DB30C10).

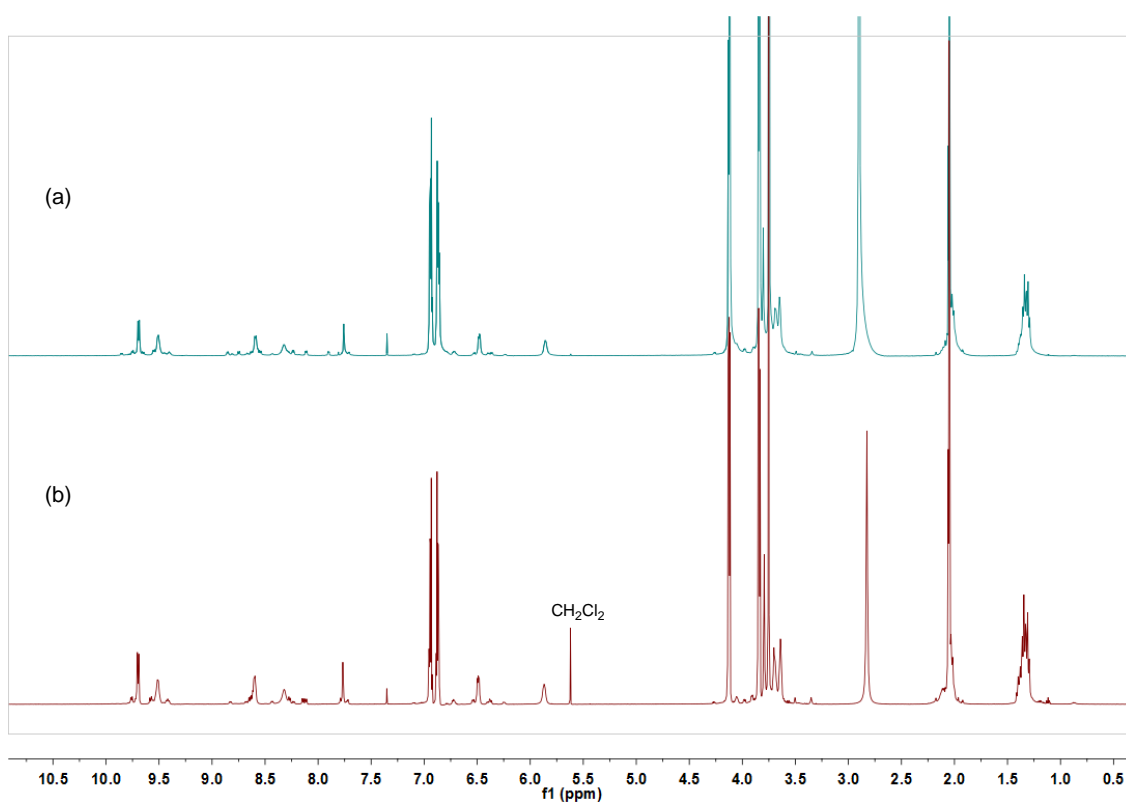


Fig. S34 ^1H NMR spectra (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) of [3]catenane **5** (a) self-assembly followed by threading (**2b** + DB24C8), (b) one-pot reaction (**1b** + **6** + DB24C8).

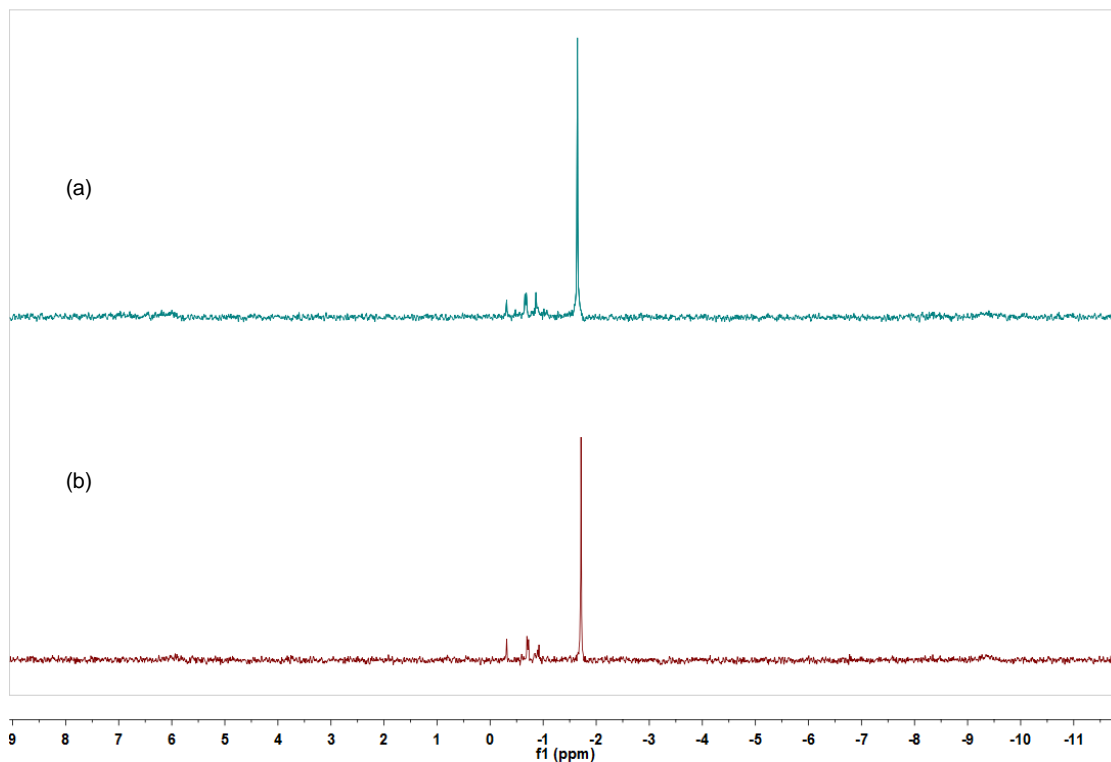
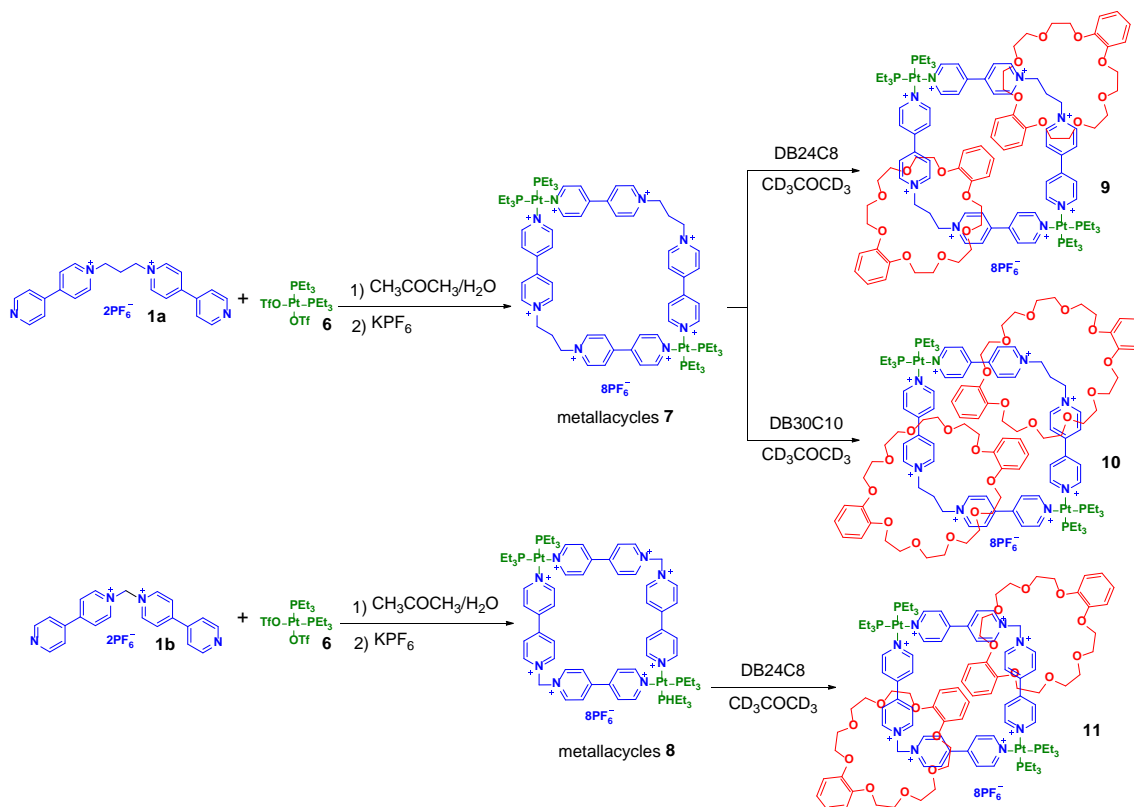


Fig. S35 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) of [3]catenane **5** (a) self-assembly followed by threading (**2b** + DB24C8), (b) one-pot reaction (**1b** + **6** + DB24C8).

*11. Synthesis and characterization of anion-exchanged metallacycles **7**, **8** and [3]catenanes **9**, **10**, **11***



1,3-Bis(4,4'-bipyridinium)propane **1a** or 1,1-bis(4,4'-bipyridinium)methane **1b** (0.012 mmol) and 90° platinum(II) receptor **6** (0.012 mmol) were placed in a 2-dram vial, followed by addition of acetone (1.2 mL) and water (0.4 mL), the solutions were then stirred for 6 h at room temperature. A little excess KPF₆ in aqueous solution was added into the reaction mixture. Acetone was removed by N₂ flow. The resulted precipitate was collected by filtration and the solid was then re-dissolved in acetone (1.0 mL). Water (1.0 mL) was added into the solution and acetone was removed again by N₂ flow. The resulted precipitate was collected by filtration and dried under vacuum to afford metallacycle **7** (15.8 mg, 96%) or **8** (9.3 mg, 58%) as a white solid, respectively.

Corresponding crown ethers (12 mM) were added directly into a solution of metallacycle **7** or **8** (2 mM) in acetone-*d*₆. The solution was then stirred for 1 days at room temperature to generate [3]catenane (**9**, **10** or **11**). This initial reaction solution was directly used for the following characterization.

Metallacycle **7**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S36): δ (ppm) 9.44 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 8H), 9.16 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 8H), 8.53 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 8H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 8H), 5.11–5.05 (m, 8H), 2.97–3.03 (m, 4H), 2.11–2.16 (m, 24H), 1.38 (dt, *J* = 17.6, 7.5 Hz, 36H). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S37): δ (ppm) –0.11 (s, ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, *J*_{Pt-P} = 3110 Hz).

Metallacycle **8**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S38): δ (ppm) 9.80 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 8H), 9.44 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 8H), 8.64 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 8H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 8H), 7.85 (s, 4H), 2.13 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 7.8 Hz, 24H), 1.41–1.34 (m, 36H). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S39): δ (ppm) –0.10 (s, ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, *J*_{Pt-P} = 3104 Hz).

[3]Catenane **9**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S40): δ (ppm) 9.46 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 8H), 9.10 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 8H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 8H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 8H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 3.6 Hz, 8H), 6.16 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 3.4 Hz, 8H), 5.04–4.97 (m, 8H), 3.82 (s, 16H), 3.69 (s, 16H), 3.61–3.52 (m, 16H), 3.19–3.11 (m, 4H), 2.10–2.15 (m, 24H), 1.41–1.35 (m, 36H). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S41): δ (ppm) –0.66 (s, ¹⁹⁵Pt satellites, *J*_{Pt-P} = 3112 Hz).

[3]Catenane **10**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) (Fig. S42): δ (ppm) 9.44 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 8H), 8.95 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 8H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 8H), 8.11 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 8H), 6.39 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 3.6 Hz, 8H), 5.81 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 3.4 Hz, 8H), 4.99–4.91 (m, 8H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 16H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz,

16H), 3.58 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 16H), 3.37 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz, 16H), 3.04–2.98 (m, 4H), 2.15 (dd, $J = 15.9, 7.2$ Hz, 25H), 1.44–1.38 (m, 36H). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6) (Fig. S43): δ (ppm) -0.69 (s, ^{195}Pt satellites, $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3108$ Hz).

[3]Catenane **11**: ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6) (Fig. S44): δ (ppm) 9.72 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 8H), 9.47 (d, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 8H), 8.54 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 8H), 8.26 (s, 8H), 7.80 (s, 4H), 6.52–6.41 (m, 8H), 5.89 (s, 8H), 3.80 (s, 16H), 3.68 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 16H), 3.65 (s, 16H), 2.04–1.96 (m, 24H), 1.36–1.30 (m, 36H). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6) (Fig. S45): δ (ppm) -1.65 (s, ^{195}Pt satellites, $J_{\text{Pt-P}} = 3131$ Hz).

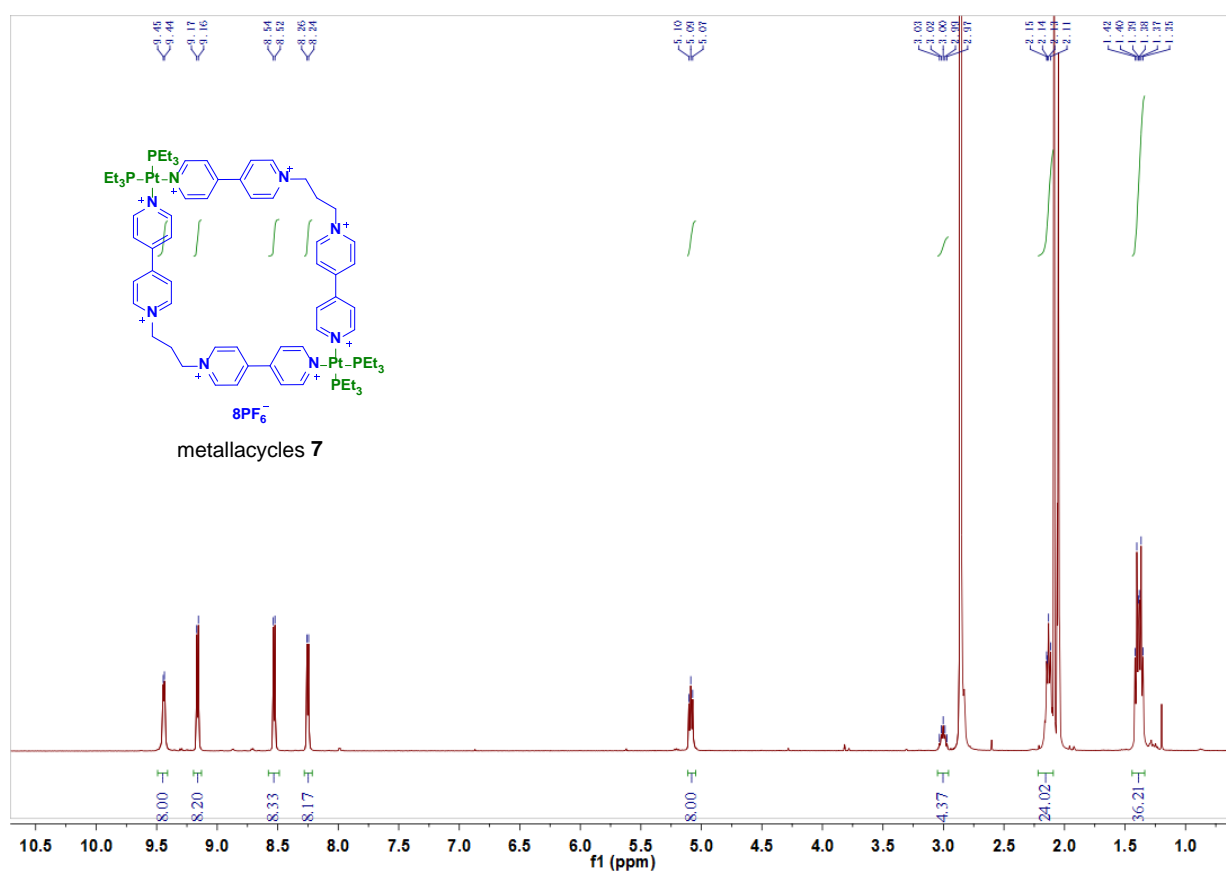


Fig. S36 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **7**.

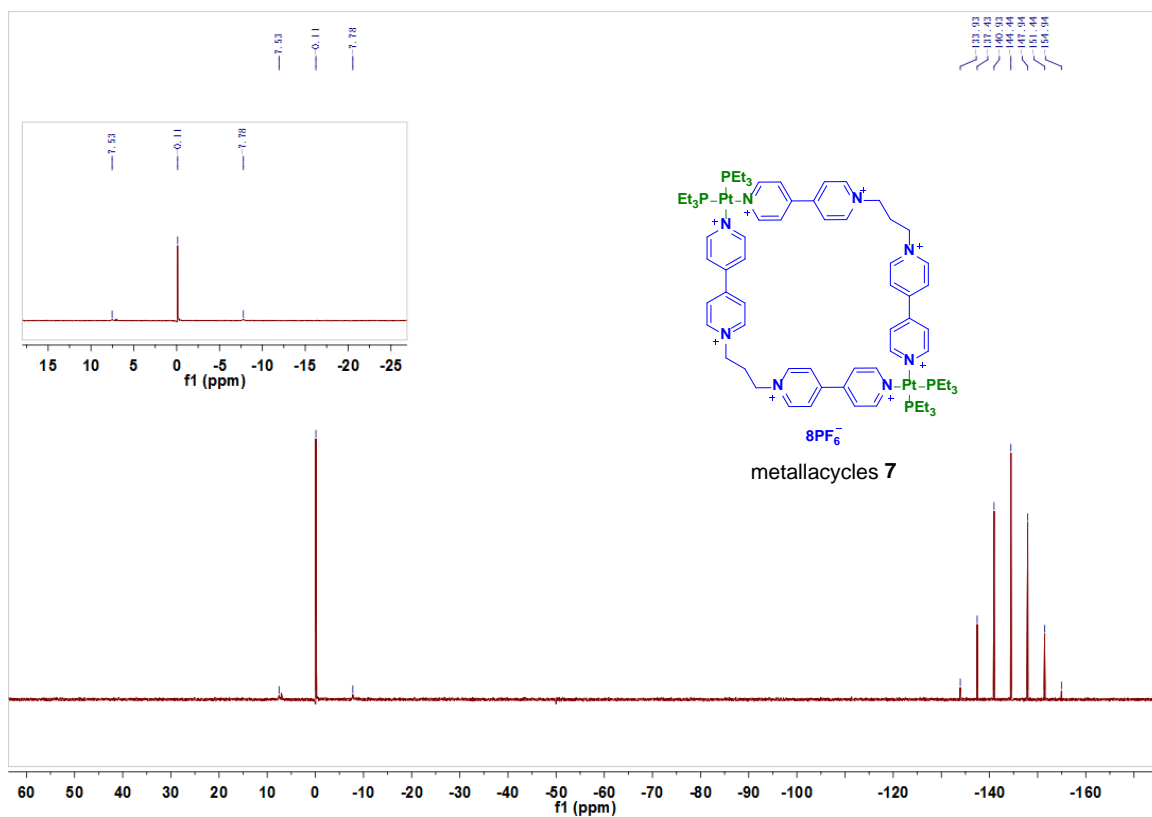


Fig. S37 ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **7**.

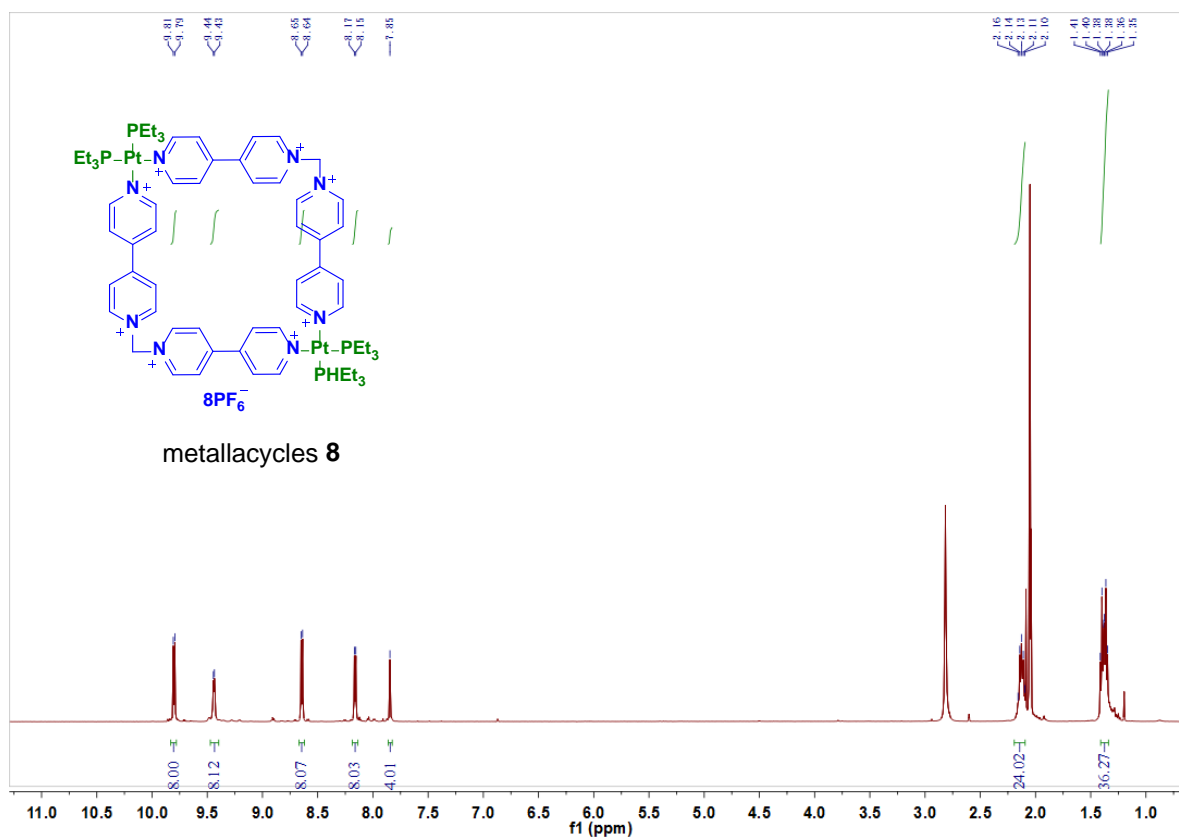


Fig. S38 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **8**.

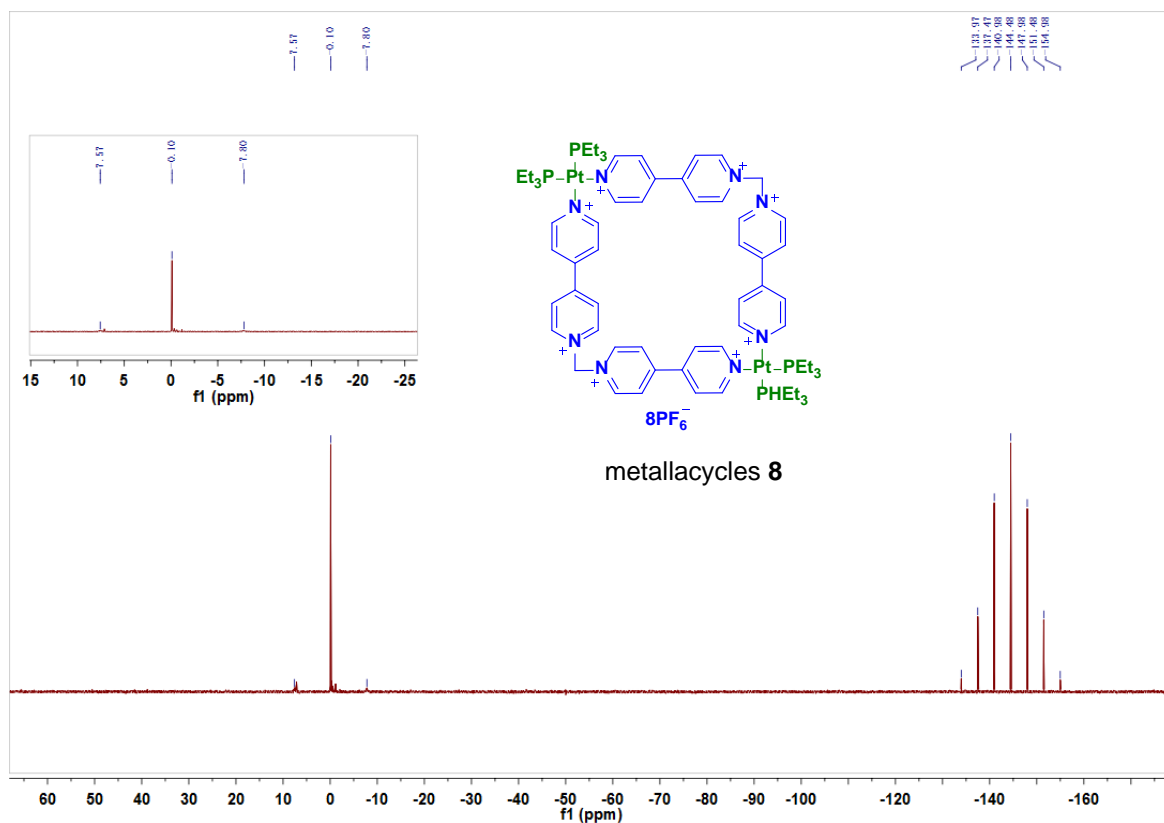


Fig. S39 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of metallacycle **8**.

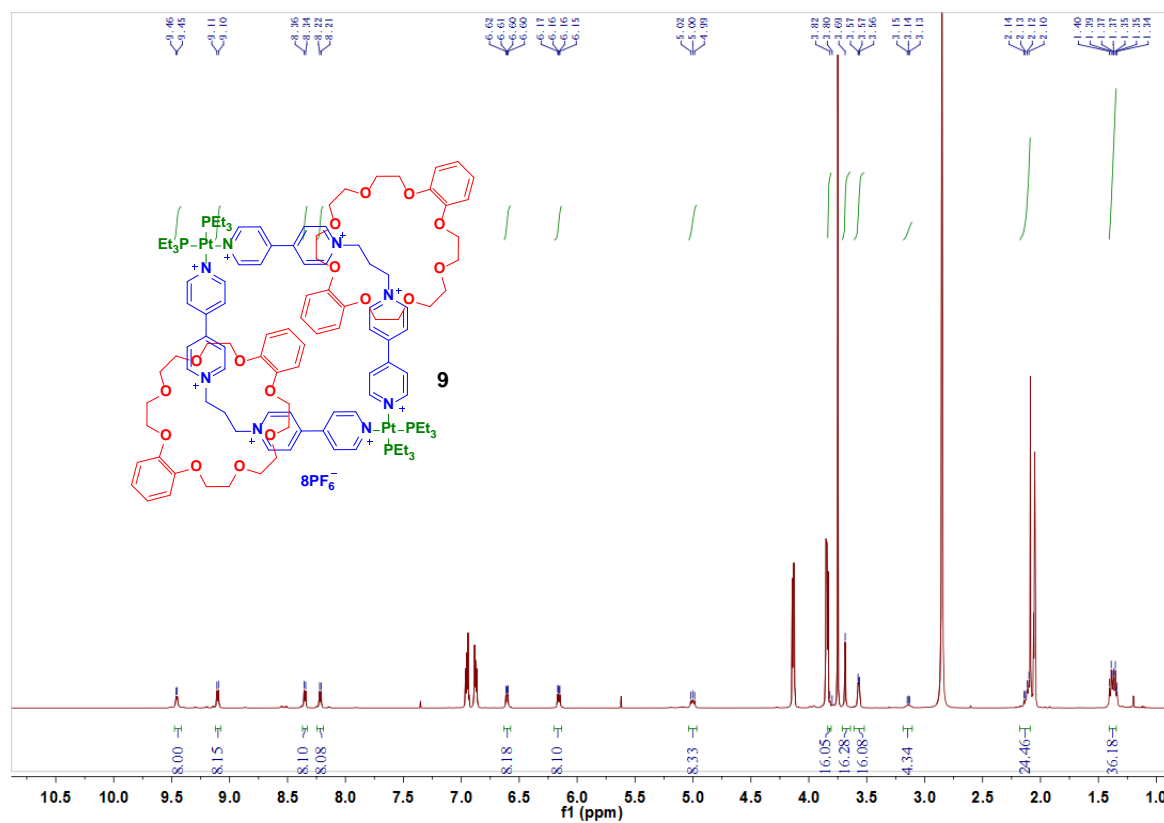


Fig. S40 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **9**.

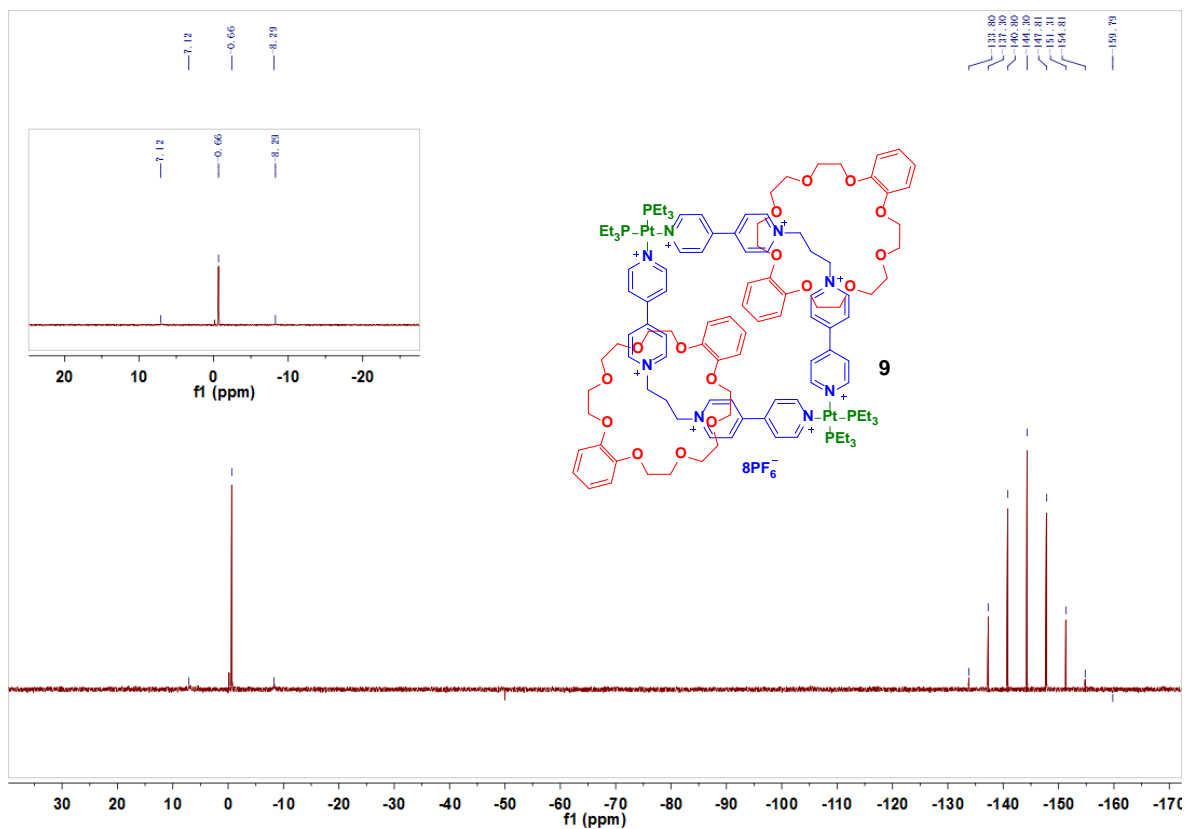


Fig. S41 $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **9**.

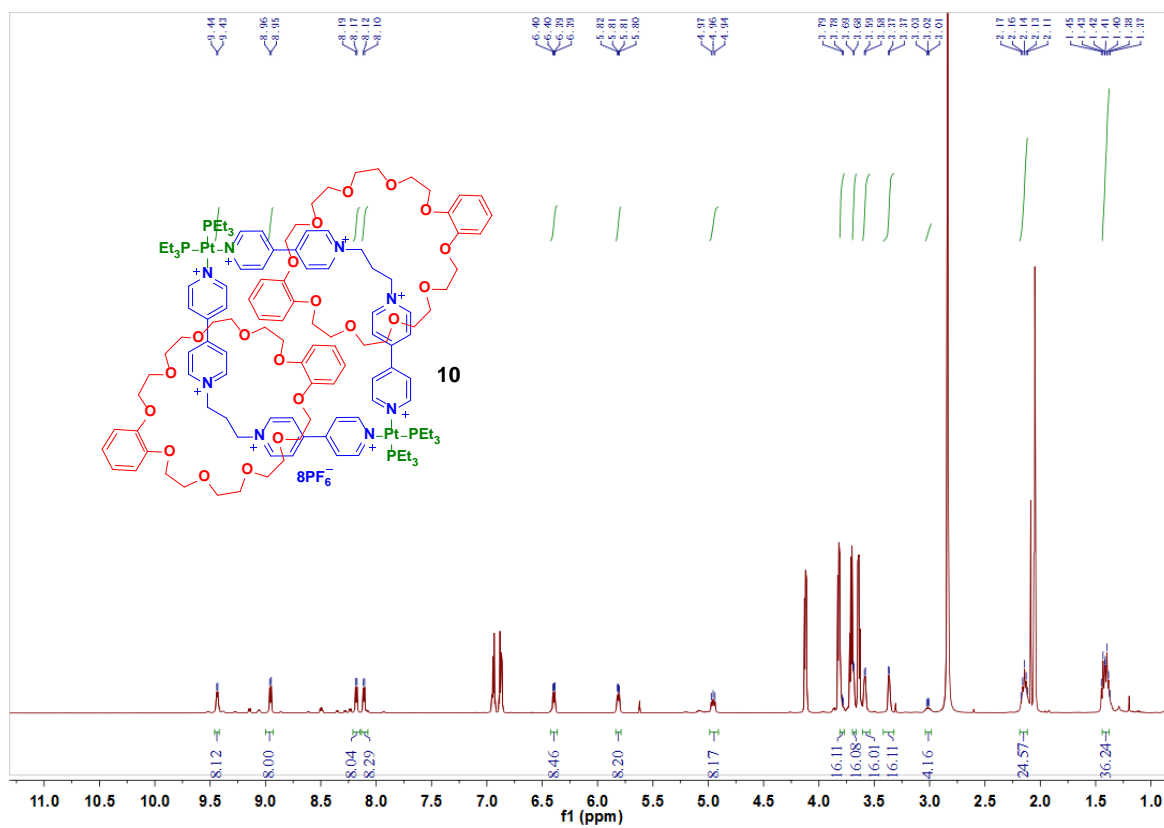


Fig. S42 1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **10**.

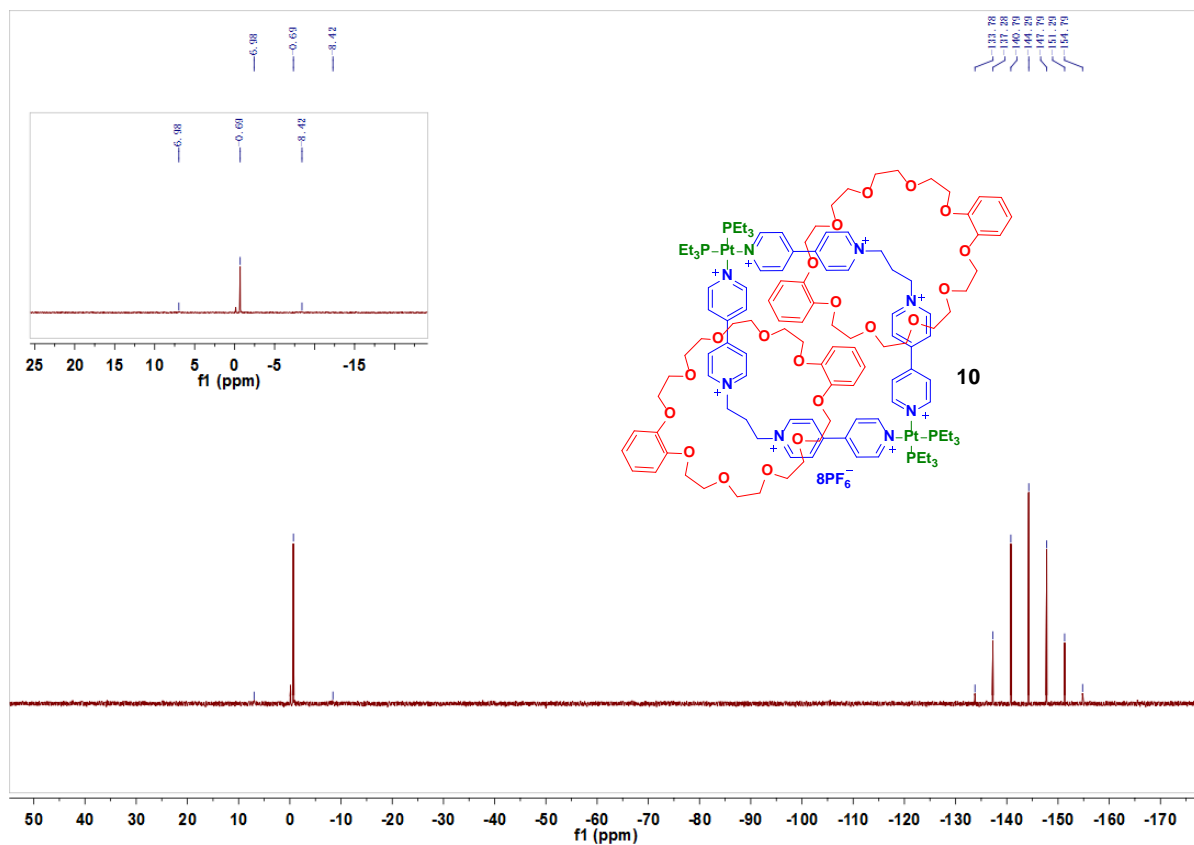


Fig. S43 $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (202 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **10**.

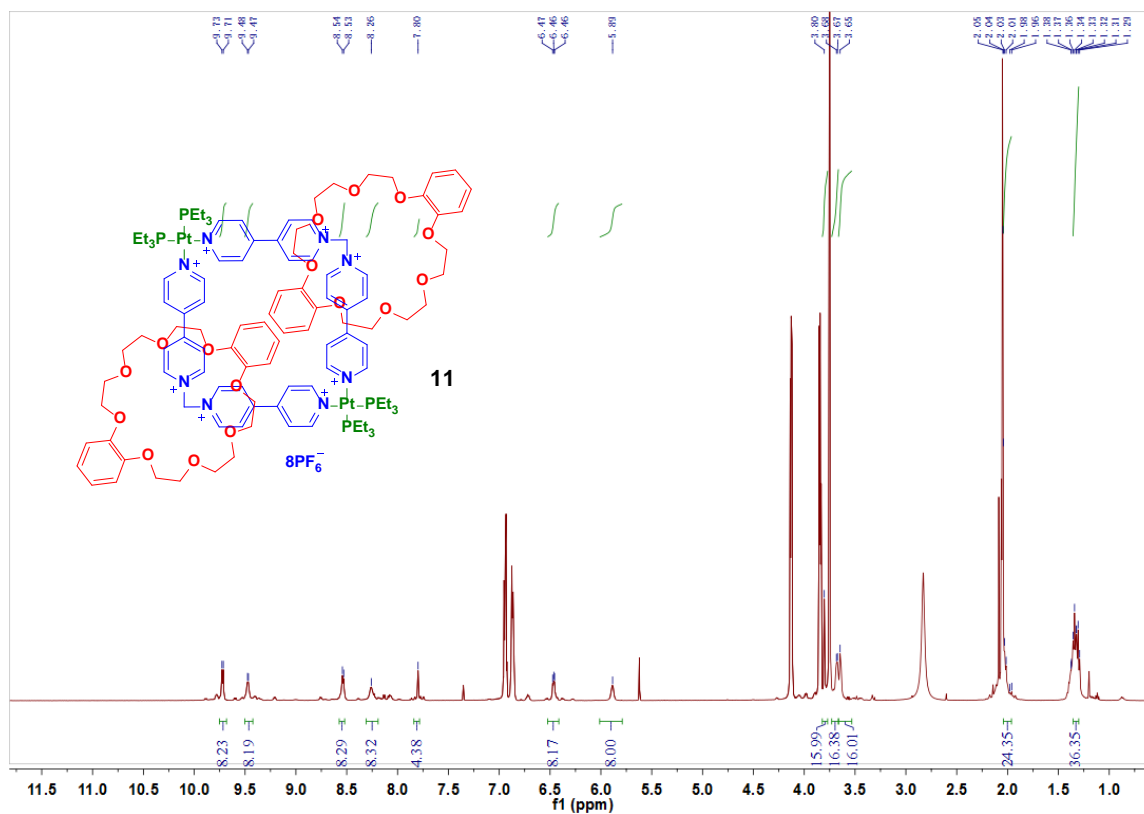


Fig. S44 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **11**.

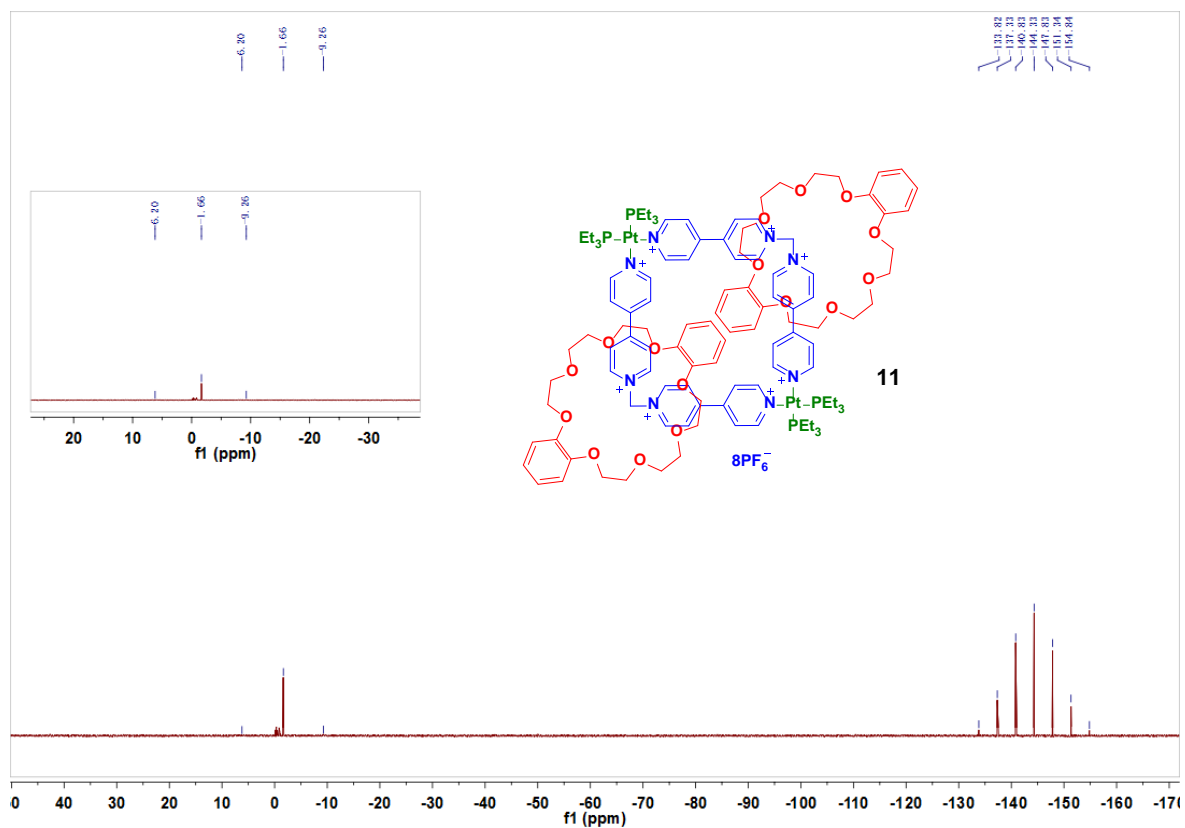
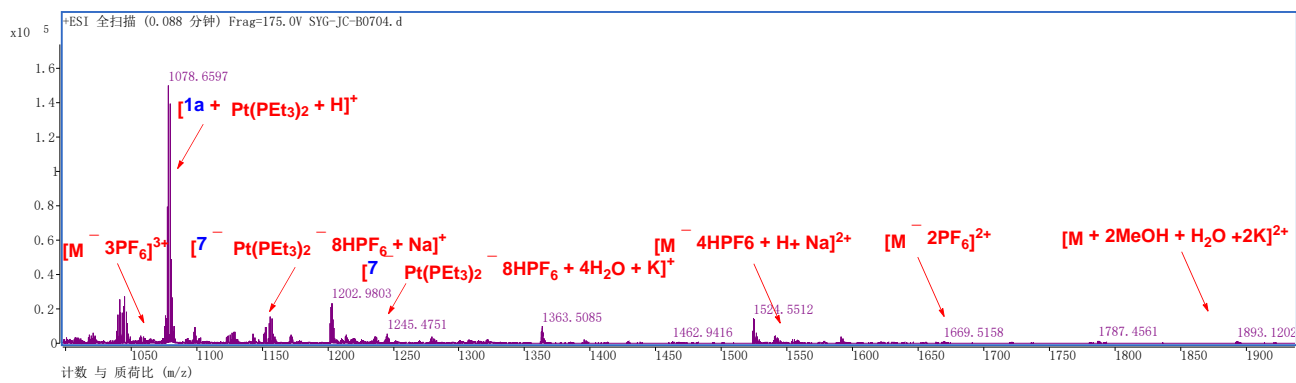


Fig. S45 ³¹P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, acetone-d₆, 25 °C) spectrum of [3]catenane **11**.



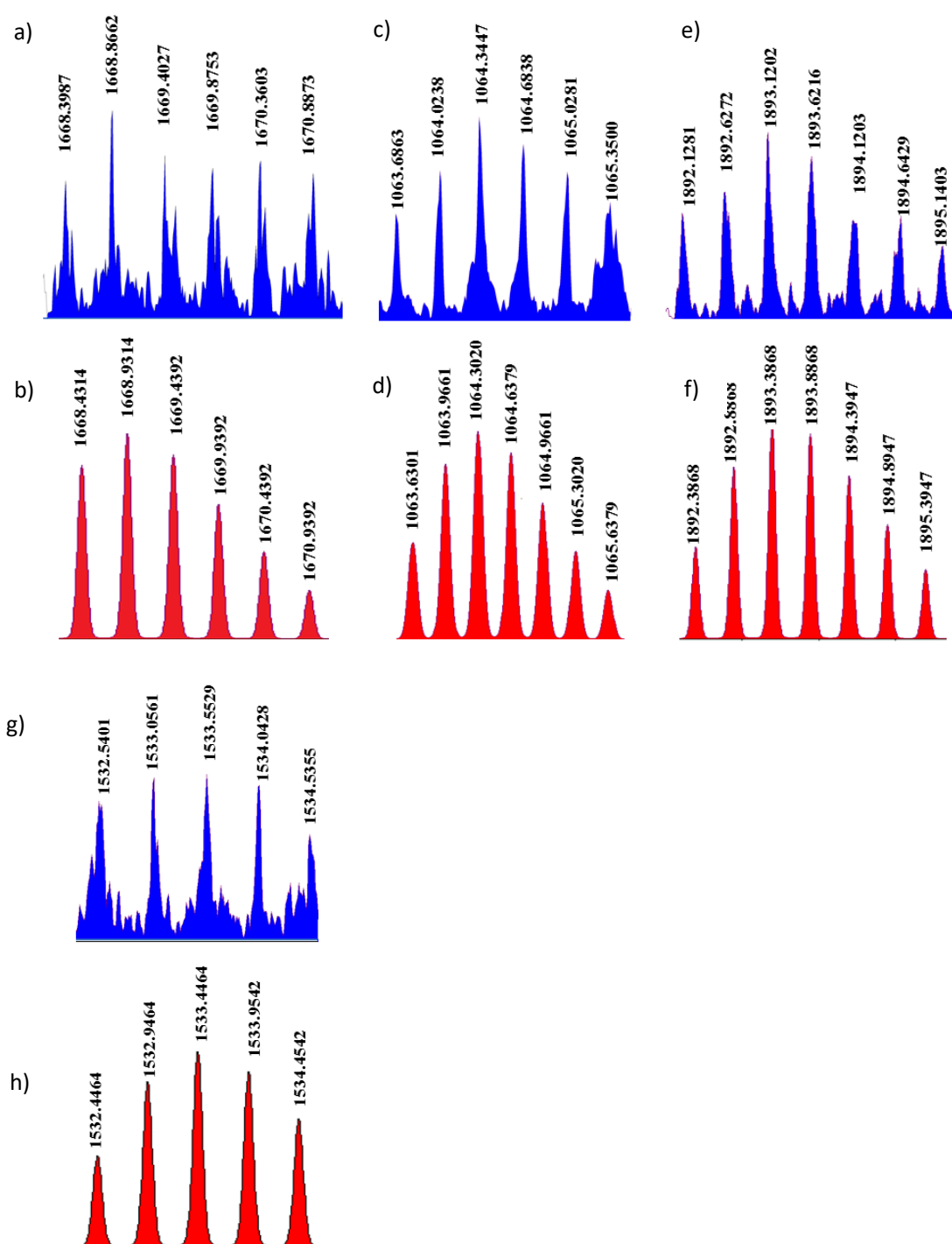


Fig. S46 ESI-MS spectrum of **9**. a) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1668.8662$); b) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} - 2\text{PF}_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1668.9314$); c) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} - 3\text{PF}_6]^{3+}$ ($m/z = 1064.3447$); d) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} - 3\text{PF}_6]^{3+}$ ($m/z = 1064.3020$); e) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} + 2\text{MeOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{K}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1893.1202$); f) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} + 2\text{MeOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{K}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1893.3868$); g) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} - 4\text{HPF}_6 + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1533.5529$); h) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{9} - 4\text{HPF}_6 + \text{H} + \text{Na}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1533.4464$).

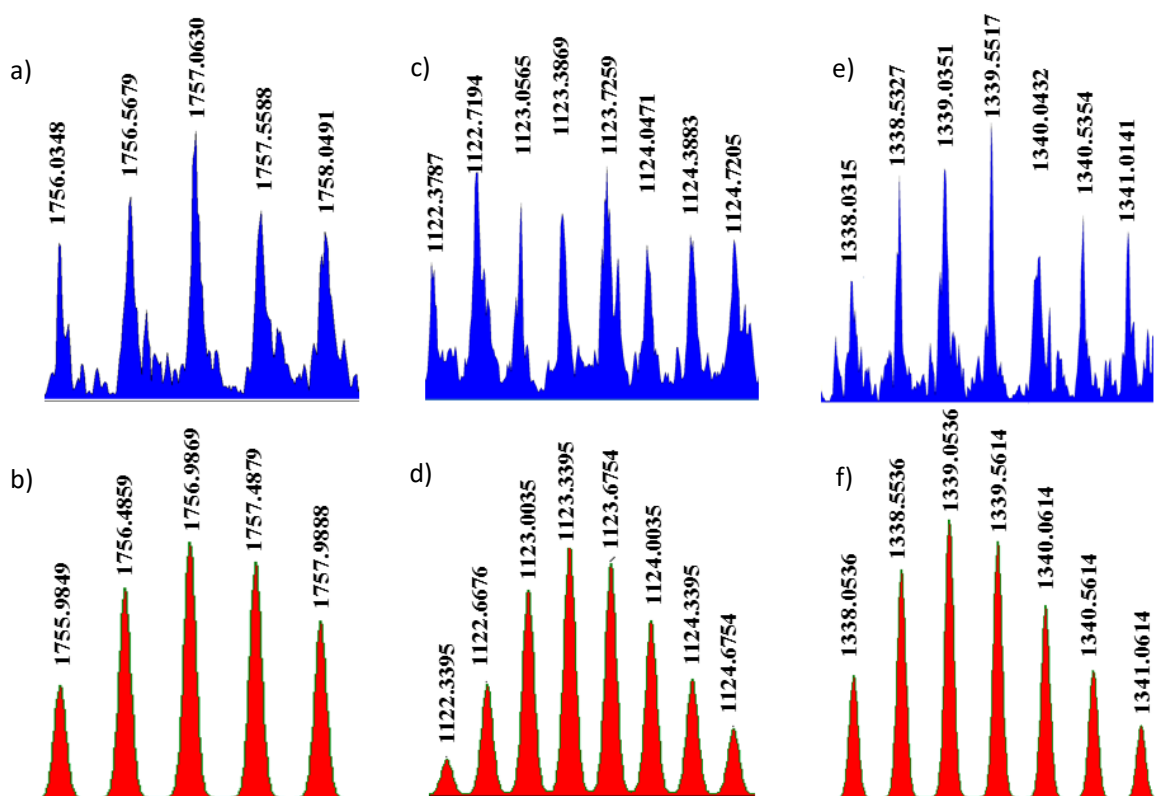
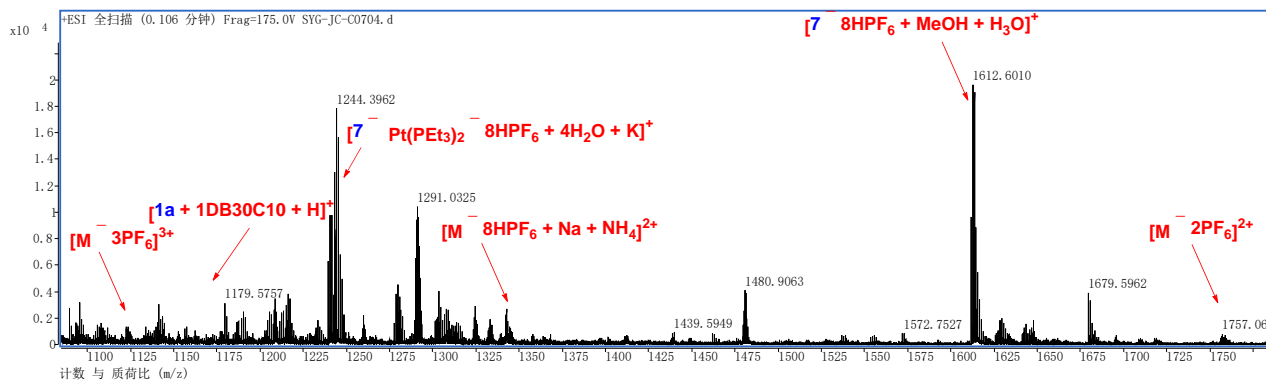


Fig. S47 ESI-MS spectrum of **10**. a) experimental spectrum of $[10 - 2PF_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1757.0630$); b) simulated spectrum of $[10 - 2PF_6]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1756.9869$); c) experimental spectrum of $[10 - 3PF_6]^{3+}$ ($m/z = 1122.7149$); d) simulated spectrum of $[10 - 3PF_6]^{3+}$ ($m/z = 1122.6676$); e) experimental spectrum of $[10 - 8HPF_6 + Na + NH_4]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1339.5517$); f) simulated spectrum of $[10 - 8HPF_6 + Na + NH_4]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1339.0536$).

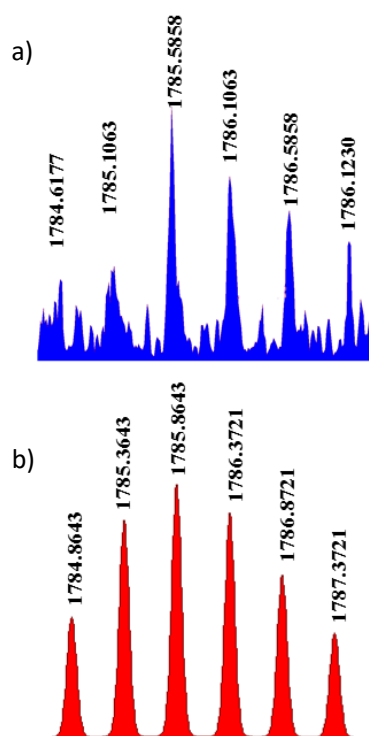
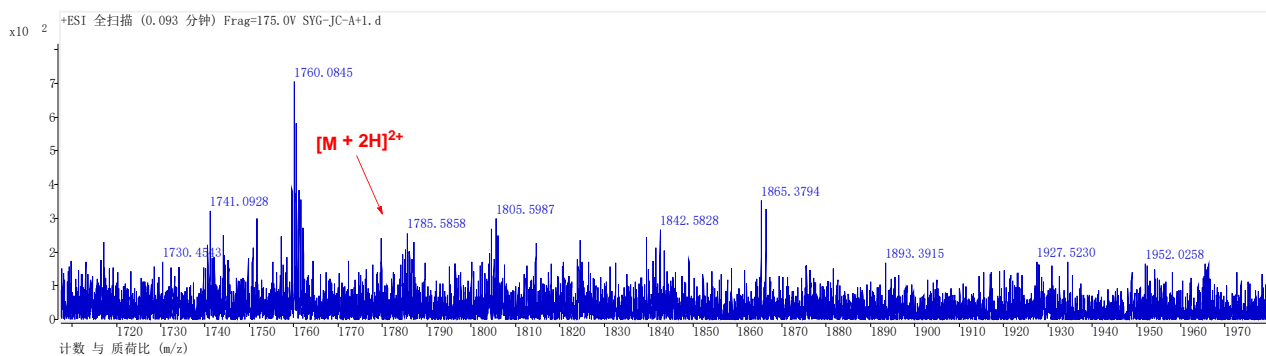


Fig. S48 ESI-MS spectrum of **11**. a) experimental spectrum of $[\mathbf{11} + 2\text{H}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1785.5858$); b) simulated spectrum of $[\mathbf{11} + 2\text{H}]^{2+}$ ($m/z = 1785.8643$).

12. X-ray analysis data of **1a** and [3]catenane **4**

Compounds	Guest 1a	[3]catenane 4
Empirical formula	C ₂₃ H ₂₂ F ₁₂ N ₄ P ₂	C ₁₂₆ H ₁₈₄ F ₄₈ N ₈ O ₂₀ P ₁₂ Pt ₂
Formula weight	644.38	3804.62
Temperature [K]	170.0	170.0
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> ₂ ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> -1
<i>a</i> [Å]	7.1855(5)	10.1341(4)
<i>b</i> [Å]	14.1620(8)	21.2668(8)
<i>c</i> [Å]	25.8378(19)	22.2187(9)
α [°]	90	62.6960(10)
β [°]	90.229(2)	78.8210(10)
γ [°]	90	76.6310(10)
Volume [Å ³]	2629.3(3)	4118.3(3)
<i>Z</i>	4	1
Density [Mg/m ³]	1.628	1.534
Absorption coefficient [mm ⁻¹]	0.273	1.927
<i>F</i> [000]	1304.0	1924.0
Crystal size [mm ³]	0.36 × 0.18 × 0.07	0.42 × 0.16 × 0.12
Radiation	MoK α (λ = 0.71073)	MoK α (λ = 0.71073)
2 θ range for data collection [°]	4.268 to 64.622	4.148 to 54.276
Index ranges	-10 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 10, -21 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 21, 0 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 38	-12 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 12, -27 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 27, -28 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 28
Reflections collected	8371	101992
Independent reflections	8371 [R _{int} = ?, R _{sigma} = 0.0633]	18164 [R _{int} = 0.0464, R _{sigma} = 0.0321]
Data/restraints/parameters	8371/6/426	18164/39/1010
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.021	1.018
Final R indexes [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0743, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1856	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0483, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1220
Final R indexes (all data)	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.1175, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.2196	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0624, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1331
Largest diff. peak and hole [e.Å ⁻³]	0.91/-0.63	1.68/-1.61
Deposition Number	2079026	2079027