

## Supplementary Information

### Concentration-Dependent Supramolecular Self-Assembly of A1/A2-Asymmetric-Difunctionalized Pillar[5]arene

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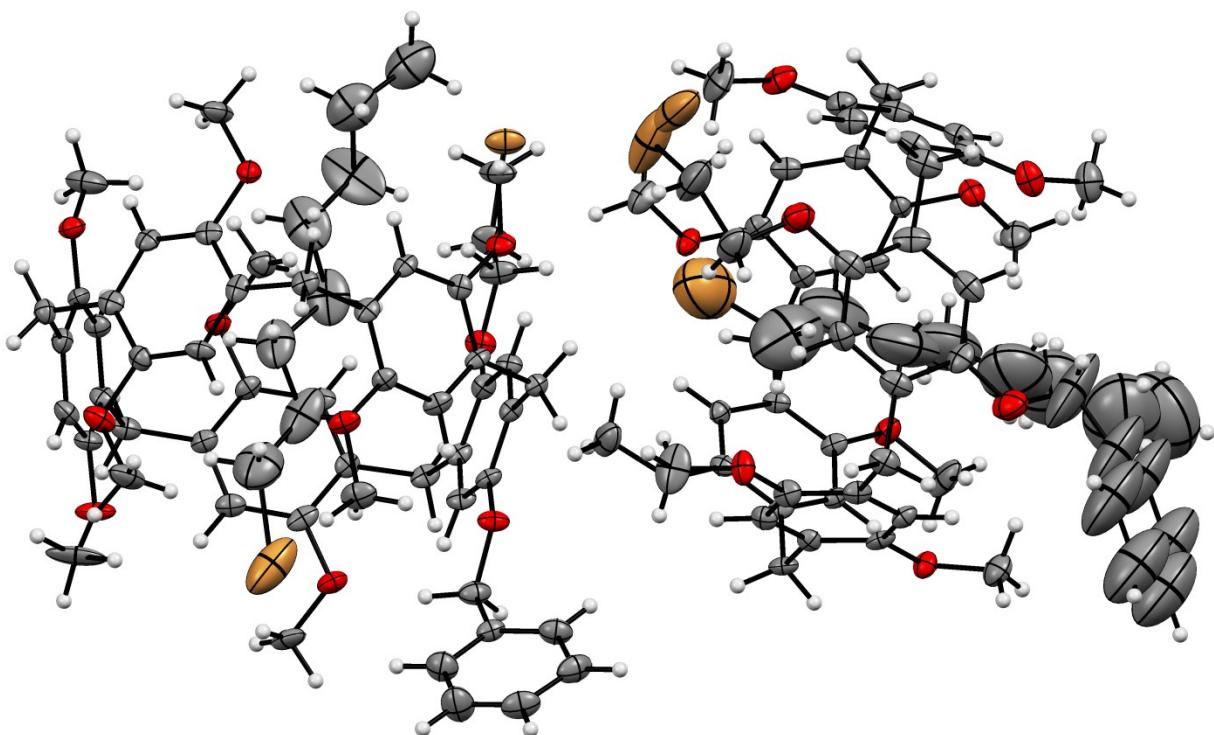
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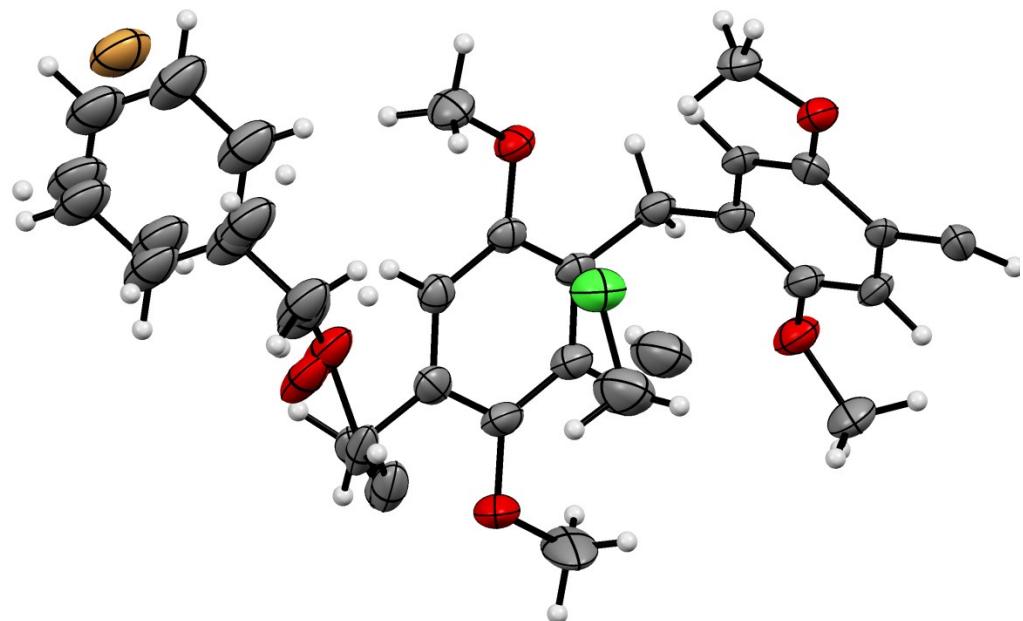
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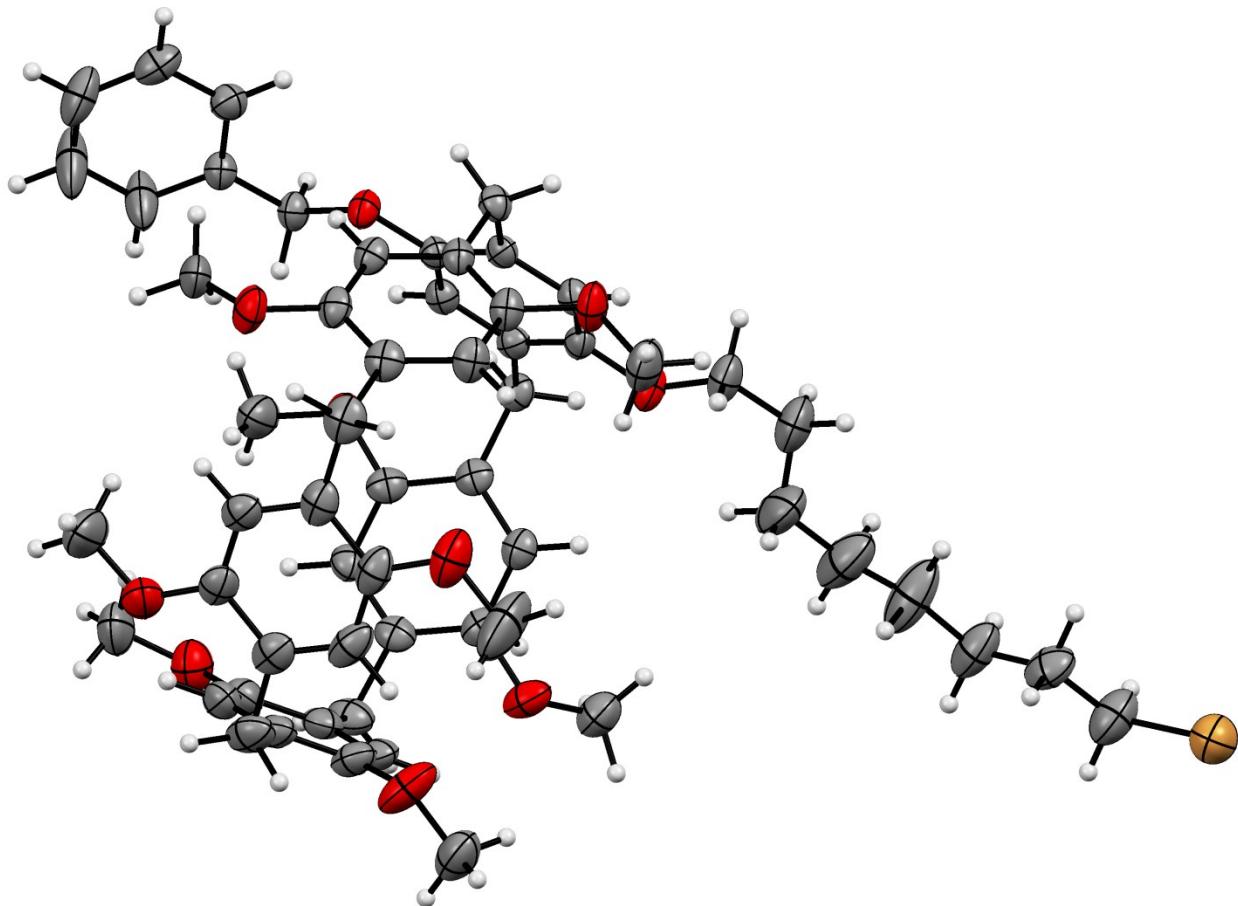
**Single crystal X-ray diffraction data**



**Figure S1.** Thermal ellipsoid representation (30% probability) of **Pillar-1a** asymmetric unit. Color code: gray-carbon; red-oxygen, brown-bromine and light gray-hydrogen.



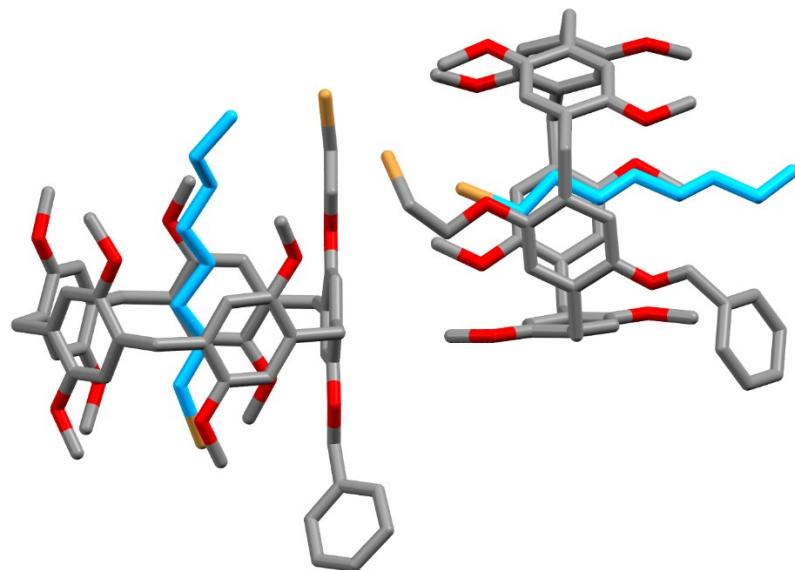
**Figure S2.** Thermal ellipsoid representation (30% probability) of **Pillar-1b** asymmetric unit. Color code gray-carbon; brown-bromine; red-oxygen; green-chlorine and light gray-hydrogen.



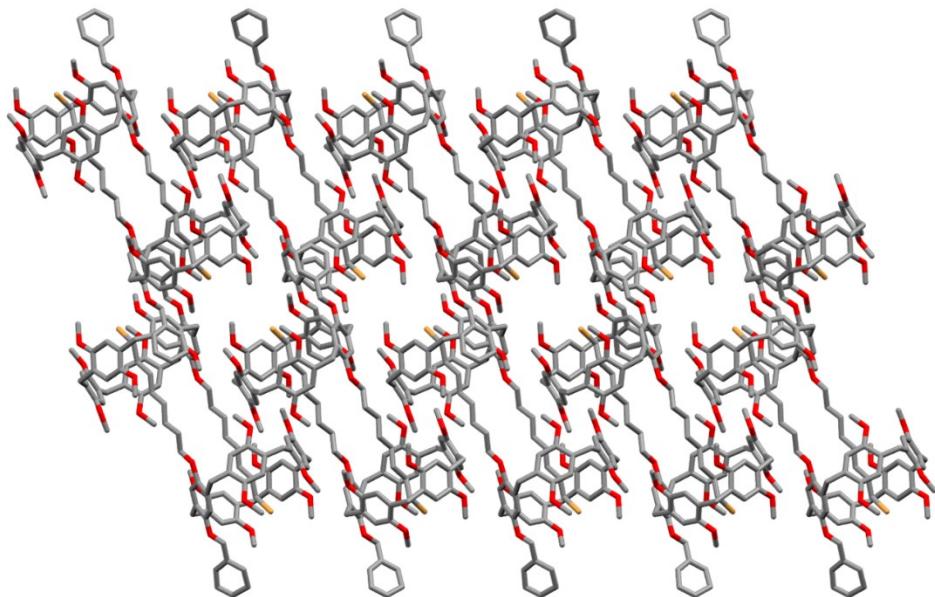
**Figure S3.** Thermal ellipsoid representation (30% probability) of **Pillar-1a** asymmetric unit. Color code: gray-carbon; red-oxygen, brown-bromine and light gray-hydrogen.

**Table S1.** Experimental details and crystallographic parameters of **Pillar-1(a-c)**.

Sample Name	Pillar-1c	Pillar-1b	Pillar-1a
Chemical formula	C <sub>58</sub> H <sub>67</sub> BrO <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>56</sub> H <sub>63</sub> BrCl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>60</sub> H <sub>72</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub>
M <sub>r</sub>	1004.07	1046.87	1112.99
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, P2 <sub>1</sub> /n	Monoclinic, C2/c	Monoclinic, P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
Temperature (K)	150	150	150
a, b, c (Å)	12.8823 (7), 24.2792 (12), 16.7762 (8)	12.2658 (10), 21.0563 (16), 20.8415 (18)	38.9455 (13), 12.2323 (5), 24.7957 (8)
β (°)	92.983 (7)	103.532 (7)	98.379 (7)
V(Å <sup>3</sup> )	5240.0 (5)	5233.3 (8)	11686.4 (7)
Z	4	4	8
Radiation type	Mo Kα	Mo Kα	Mo Kα
μ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.84	0.95	1.44
Crystal size (mm)	0.21 × 0.18 × 0.15	0.20 × 0.14 × 0.11	0.21 × 0.16 × 0.08
Diffractometer	Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID	Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID	Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID
Absorption correction	Multi-scan ABSCOR (Rigaku, 1995)	Multi-scan ABSCOR (Rigaku, 1995)	Multi-scan ABSCOR (Rigaku, 1995)
T <sub>min</sub> , T <sub>max</sub>	0.382, 0.881	0.526, 1.000	0.426, 1.000
No. of measured, independent and observed [I > 2σ(I)] reflections	39119, 9029, 3984	19970, 4600, 2152	75664, 20167, 8409
R <sub>int</sub>	0.089	0.094	0.162
(sin θ/λ) <sub>max</sub> (Å <sup>-1</sup> )	0.594	0.595	0.595
R[F <sup>2</sup> > 2σ(F <sup>2</sup> )], wR(F <sup>2</sup> ), S	0.065, 0.183, 1.01	0.099, 0.324, 1.06	0.111, 0.372, 1.06
No. of reflections	9029	4600	20167
No. of parameters	630	373	1311
No. of restraints	3	234	246
H-atom treatment	Constrained	Constrained	Constrained
Δρ <sub>max</sub> , Δρ <sub>min</sub> (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.37, -0.31	0.68, -0.65	1.48, -1.61

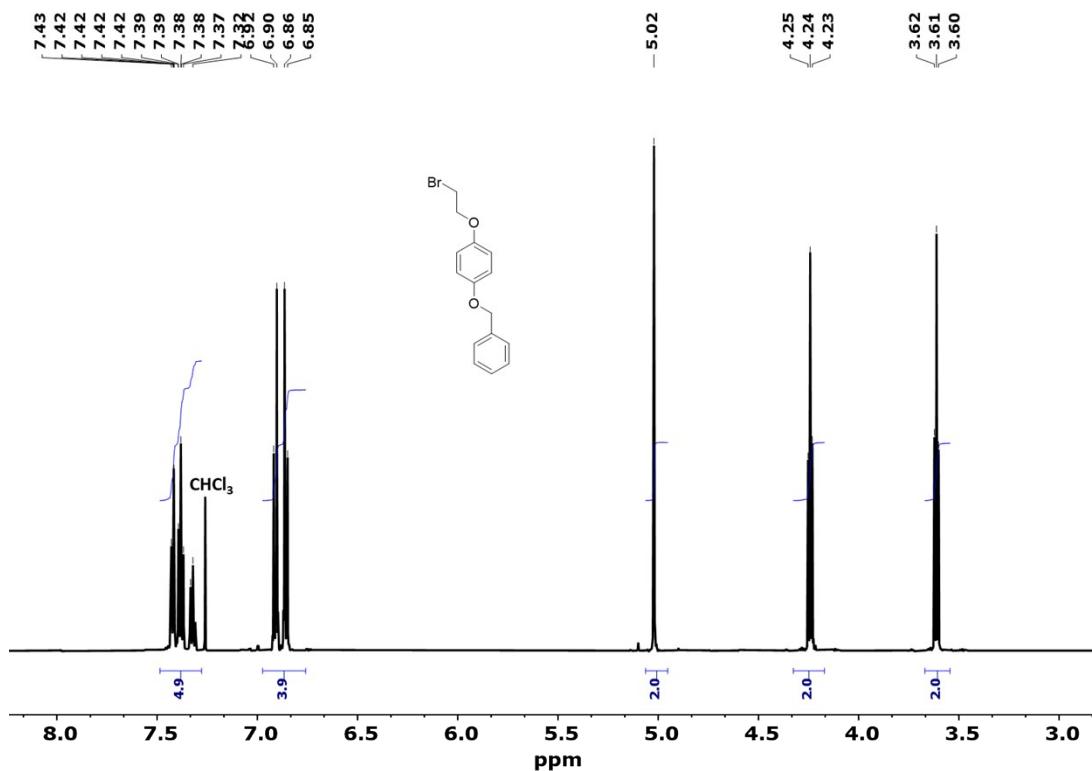


**Figure S4.** Presentation of the stacking pattern of **Pillar-1a** crystals viewing along crystallographic *b*-axis (hydrogens omitted for clarity).

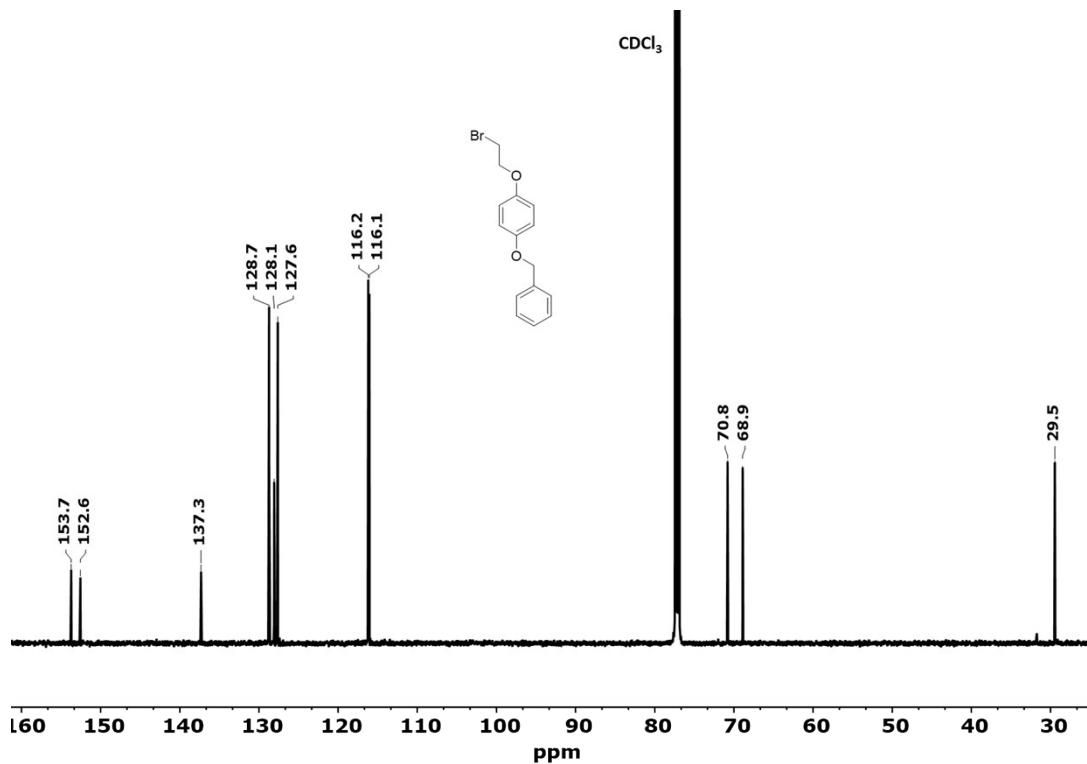


**Figure S5.** Three-dimensional packing of **Pillar-1c** crystals viewing along crystallographic *b*-axis.

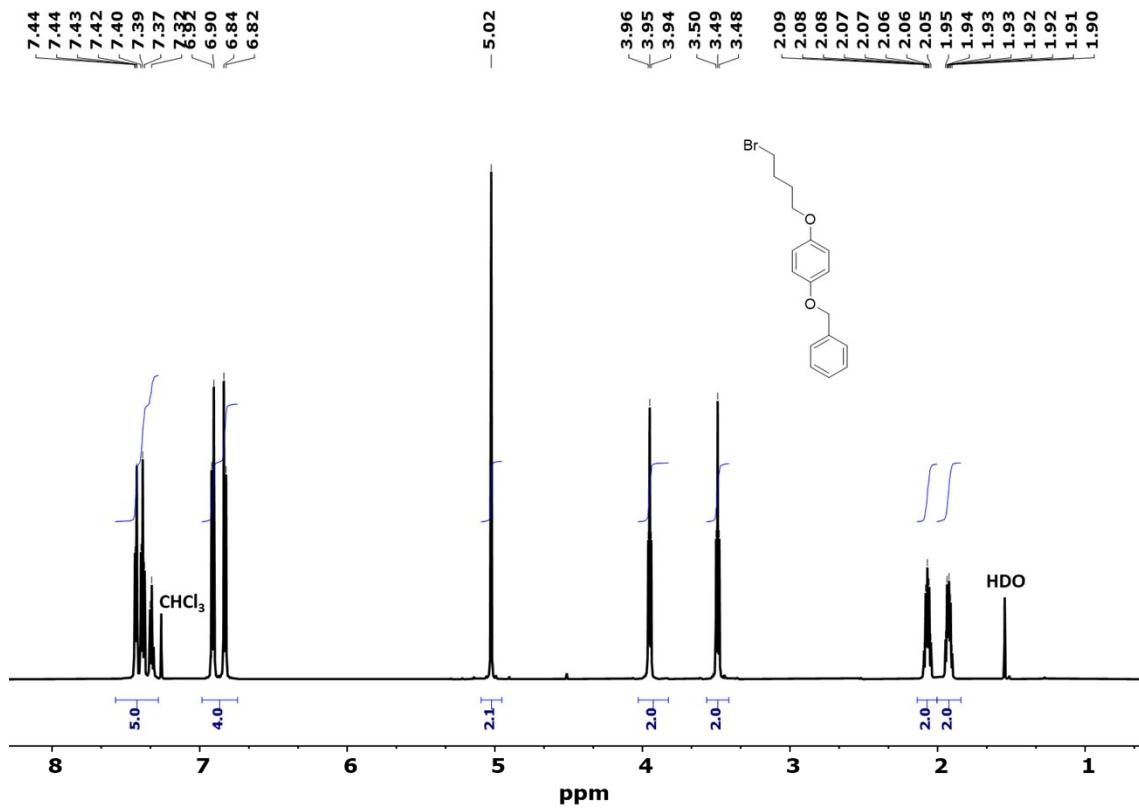
**NMR spectra of pillar[5]arene precursors:**



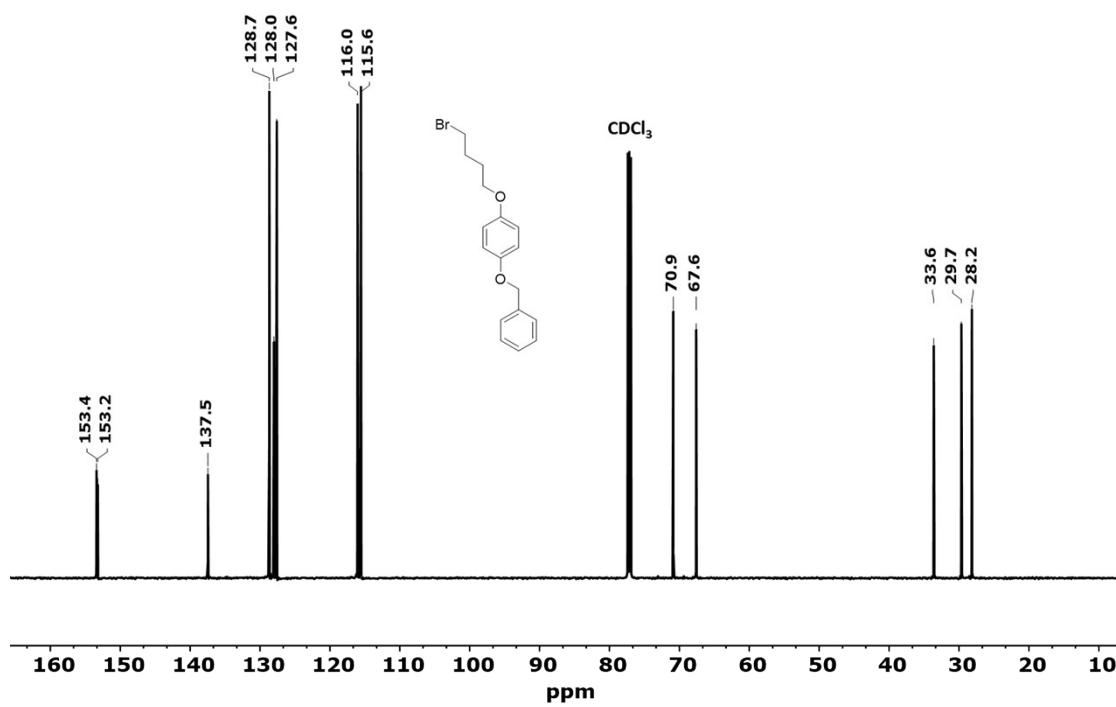
**Figure S6.** <sup>1</sup>HNMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of 1-(benzyloxy)-4-(2-bromoethoxy)benzene.



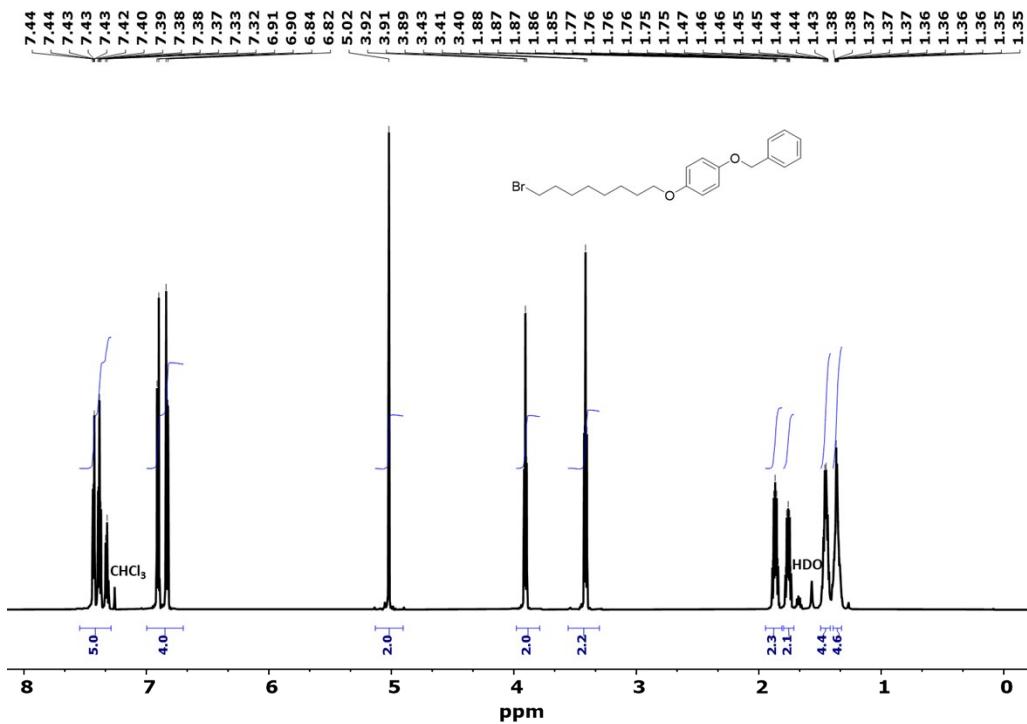
**Figure S7.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of 1-(benzyloxy)-4-(2-bromoethoxy)benzene



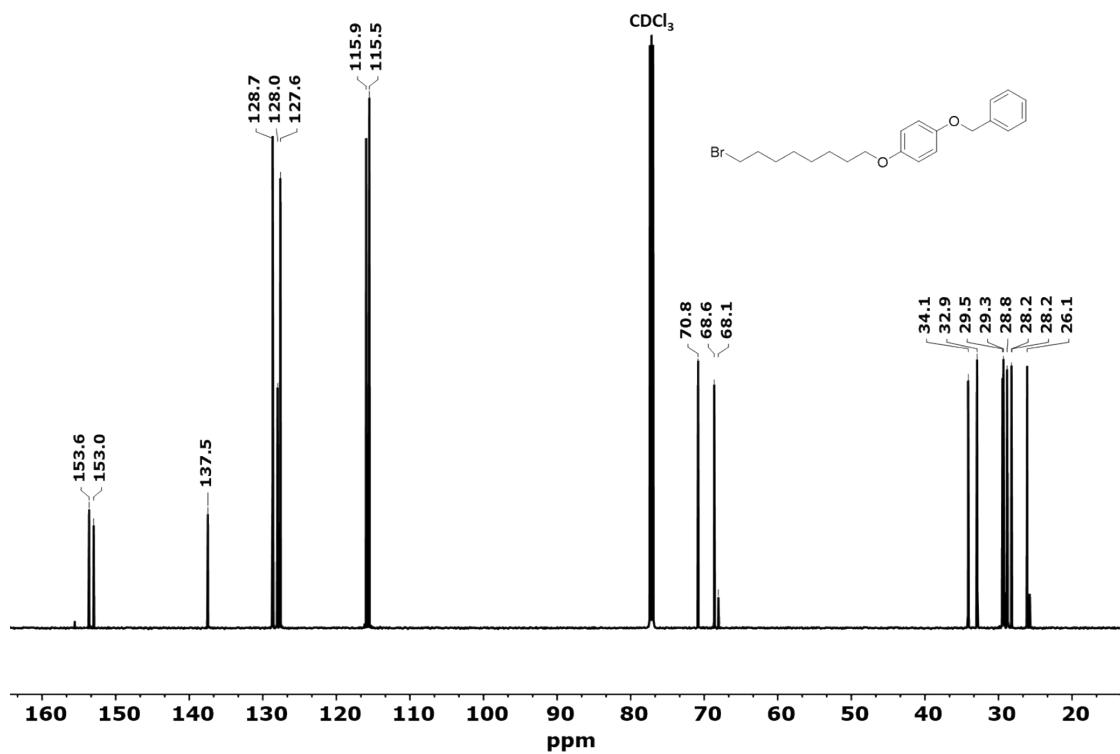
**Figure S8.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of 1-(benzyloxy)-4-(4-bromobutoxy)benzene.



**Figure S9.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of 1-(benzyloxy)-4-(4-bromobutoxy)benzene

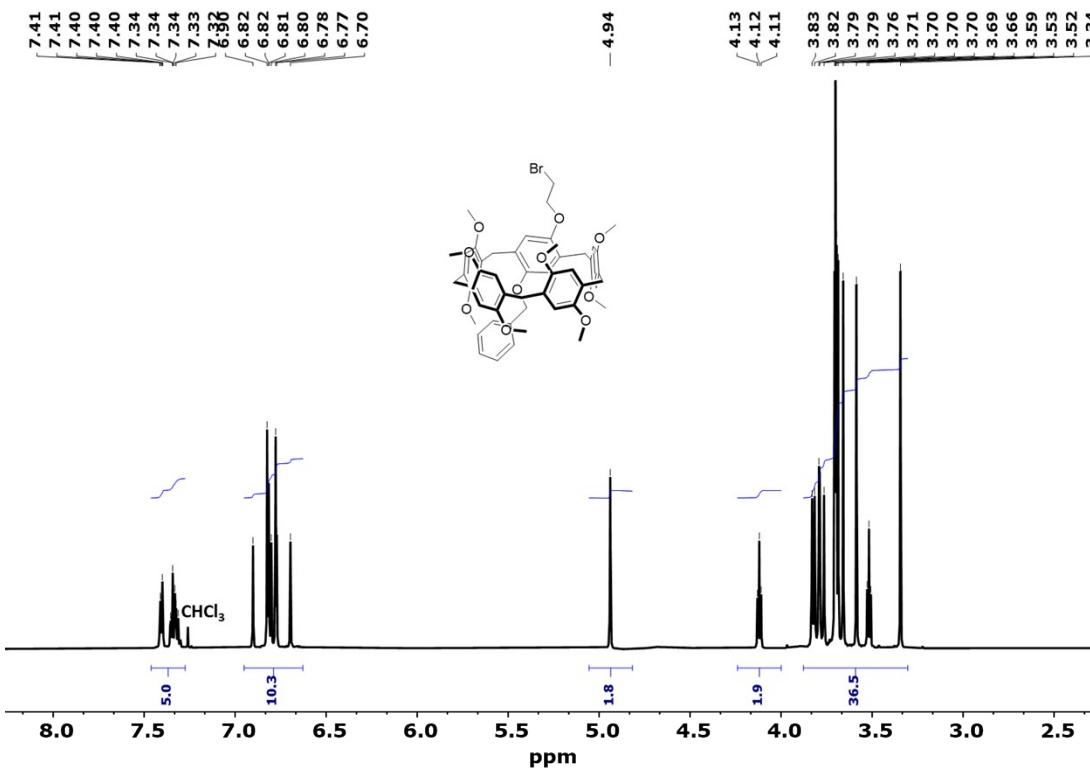


**Figure S10.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of 1-(benzyloxy)-4-(8-bromoctyloxy)benzene.

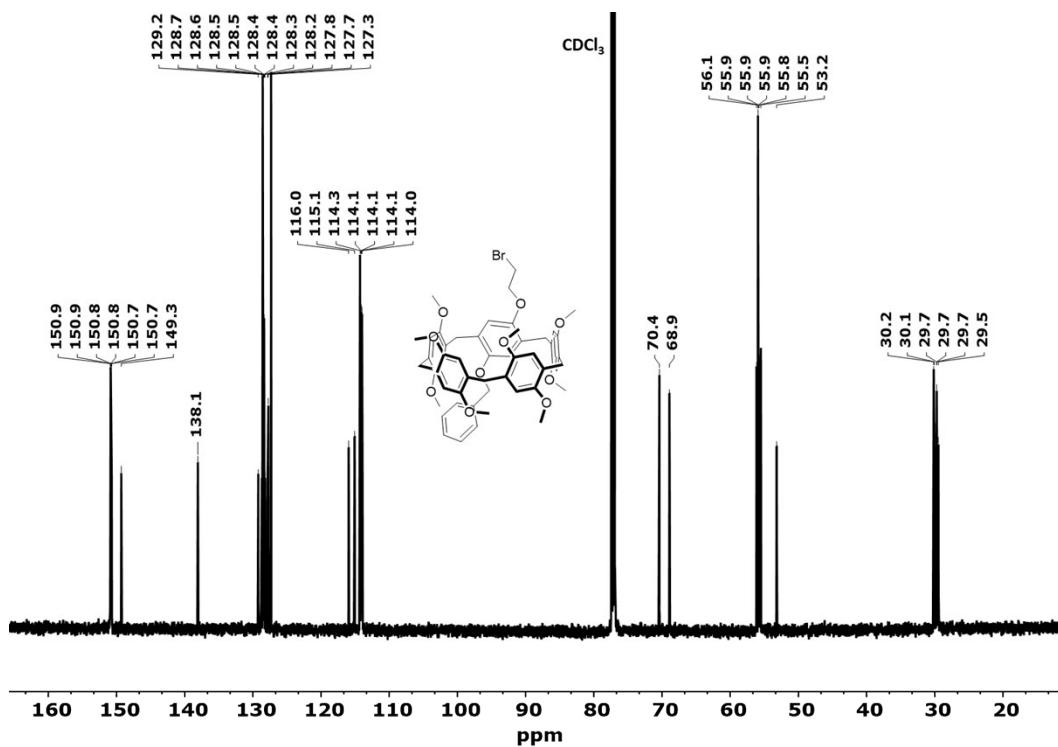


**Figure S11.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of 1-(benzyloxy)-4-(8-bromoctyloxy)benzene.

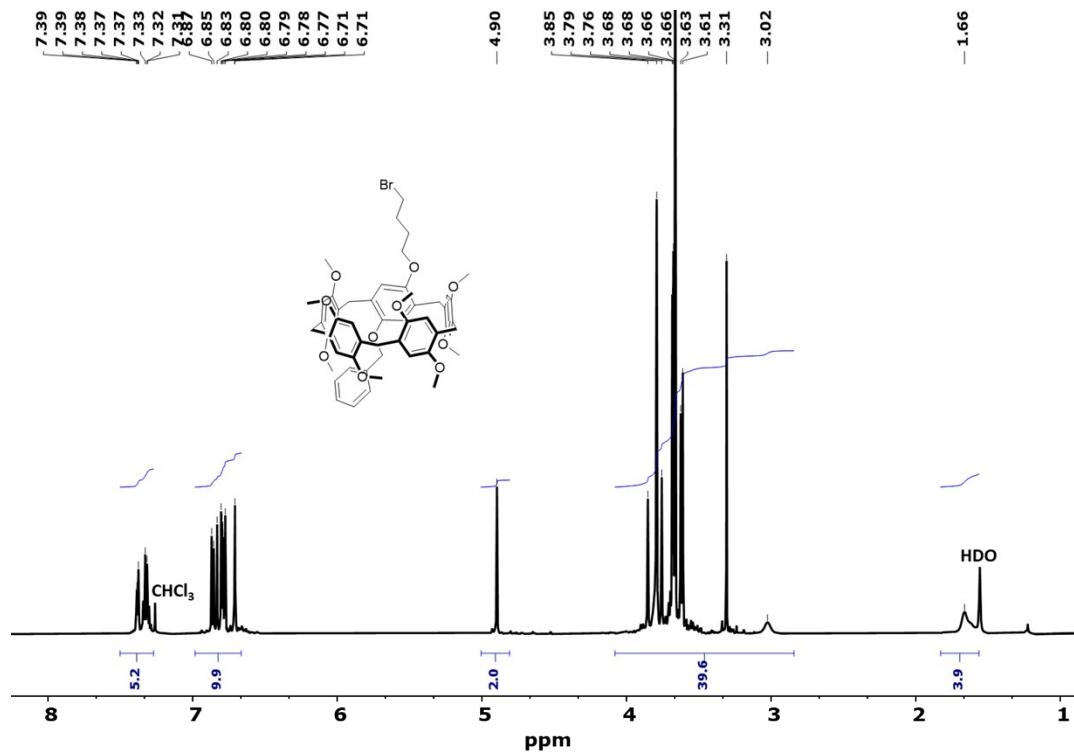
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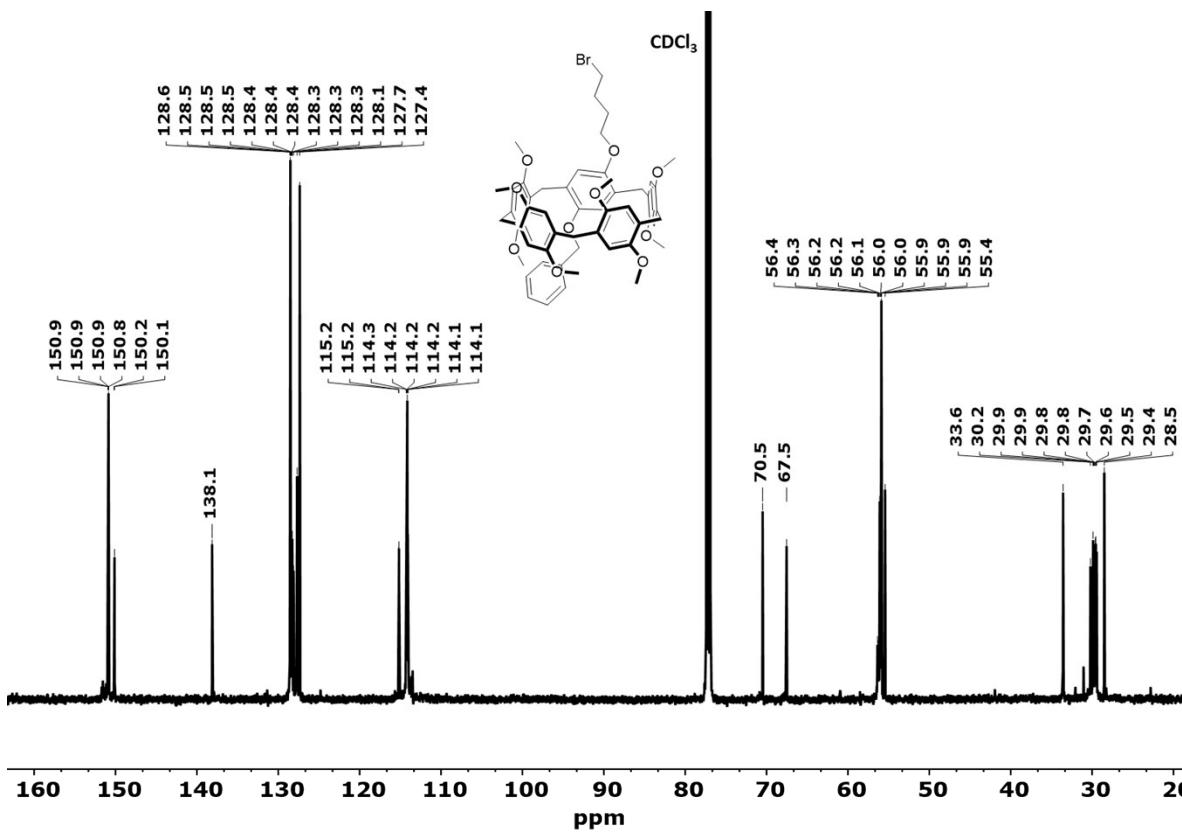
**Figure S12.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-1a.



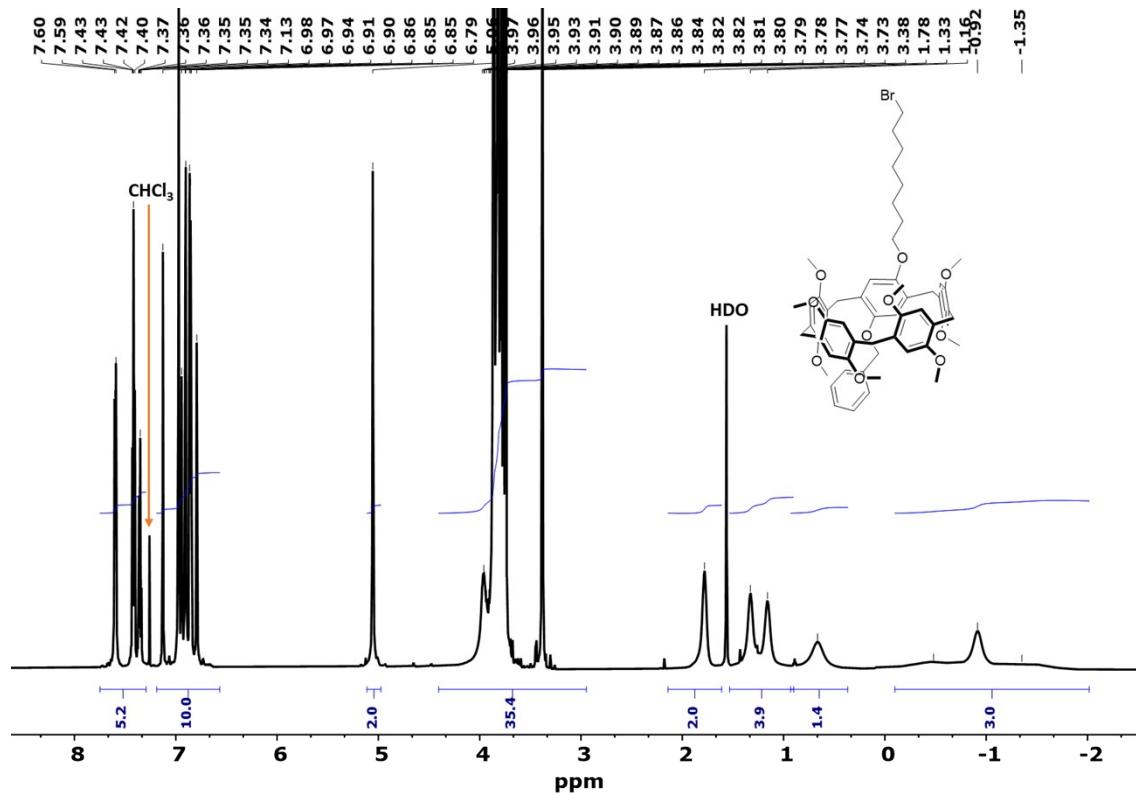
**Figure S13.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-1a.



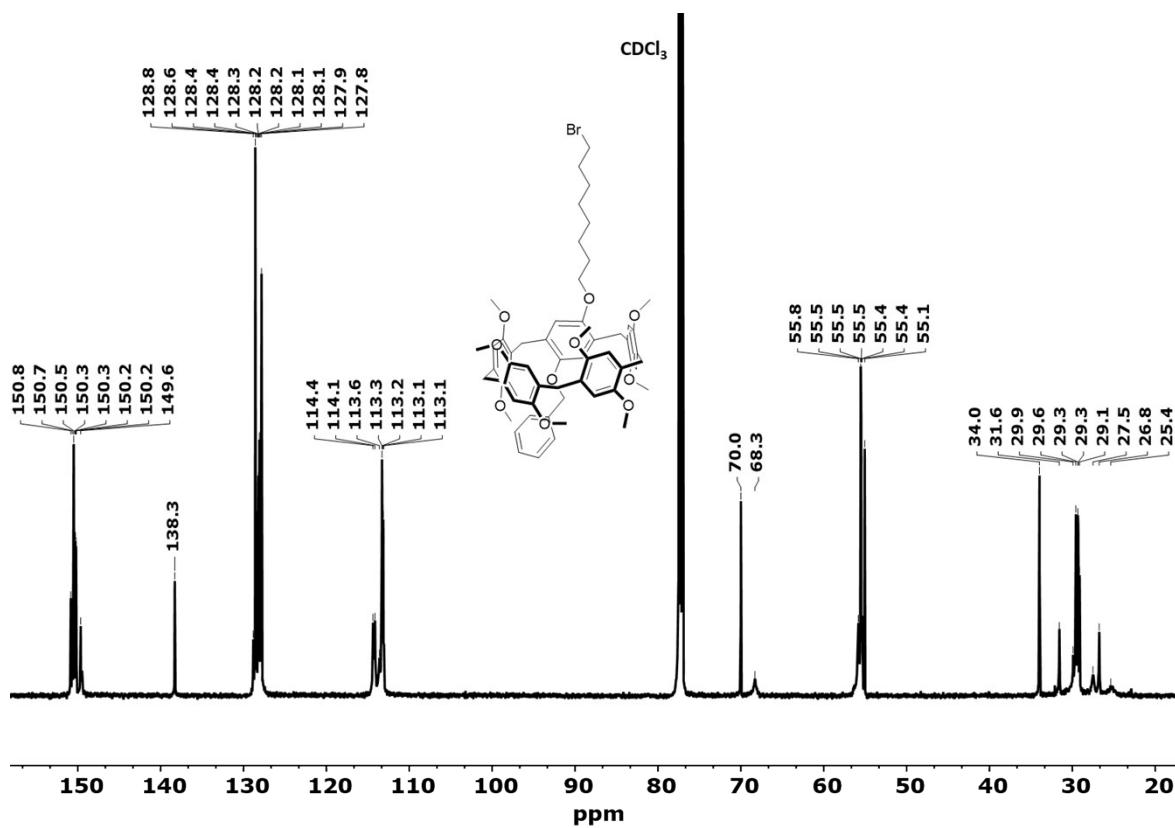
**Figure S14.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **Pillar-1b**.



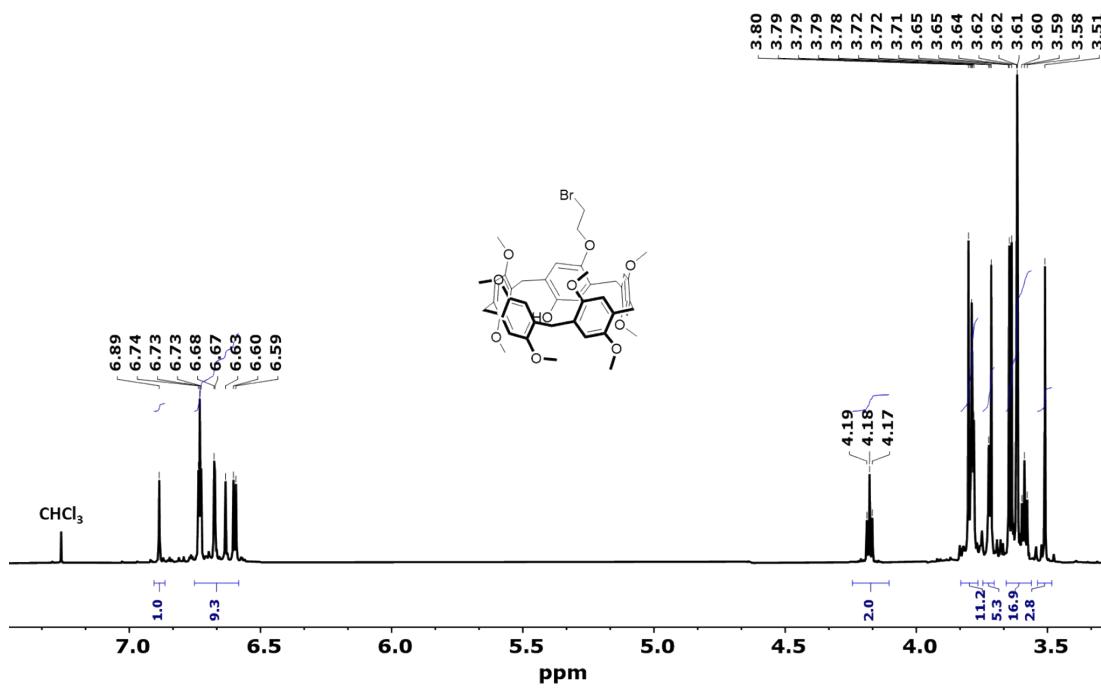
**Figure S15.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **Pillar-1b**.



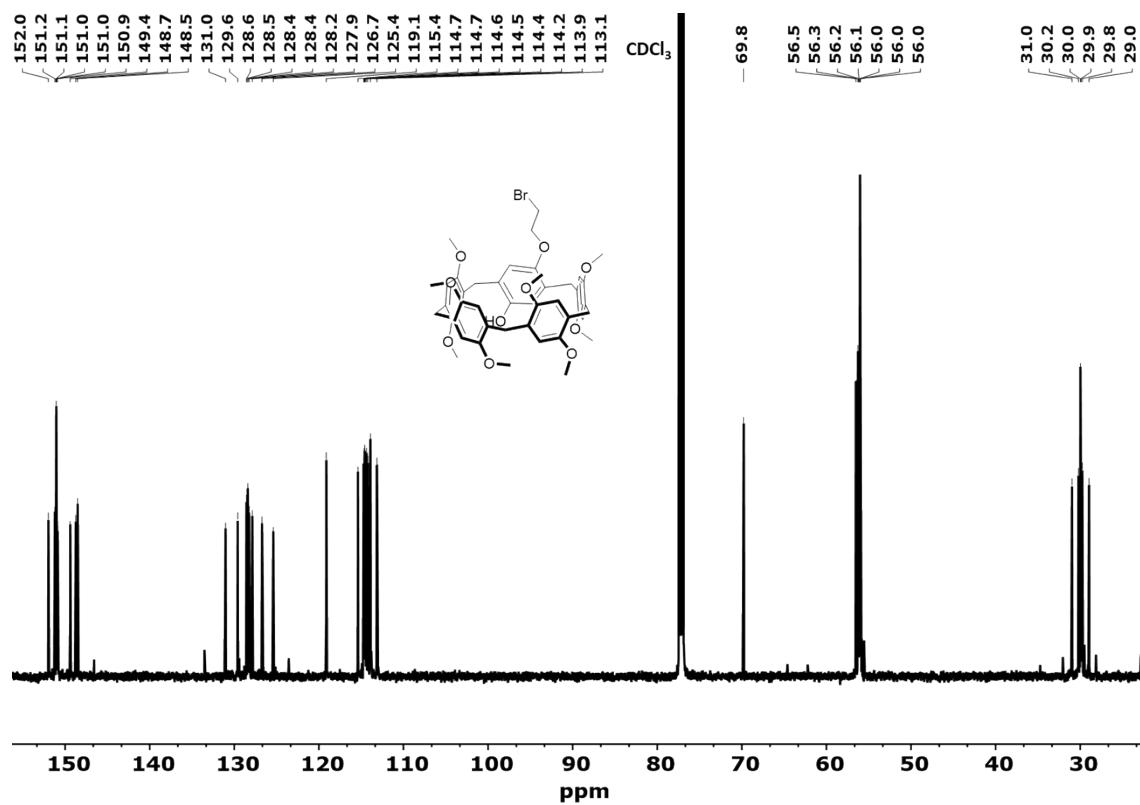
**Figure S16.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-1c.



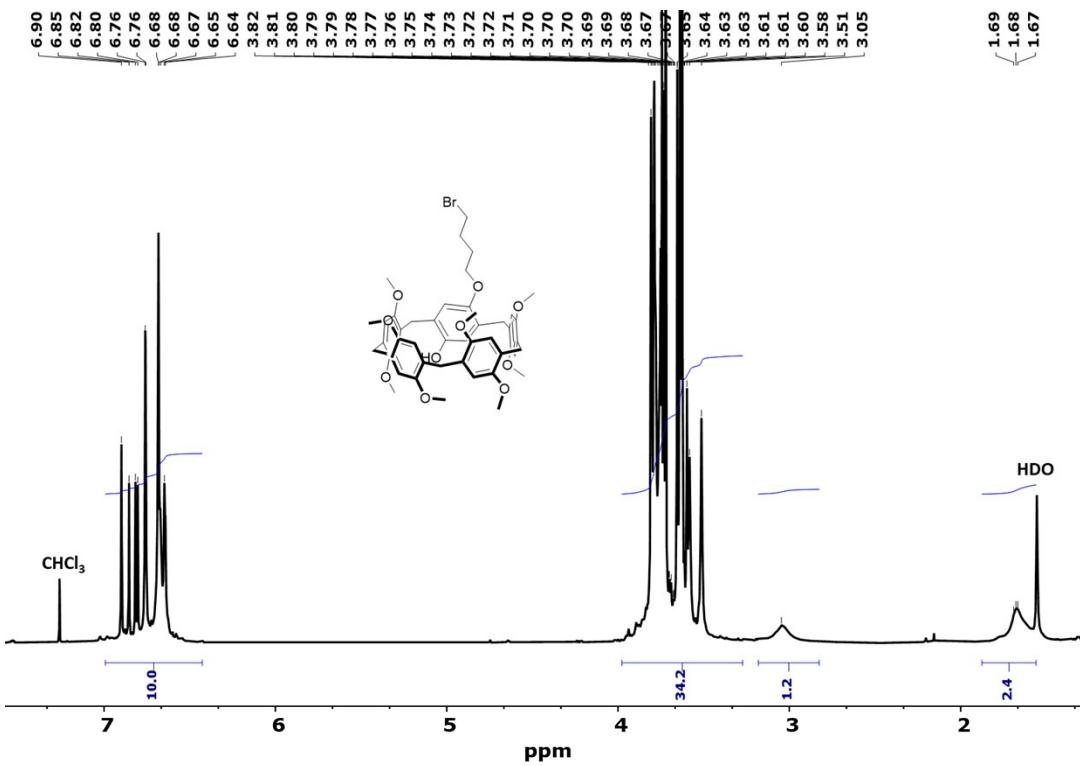
**Figure S17.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-1c.



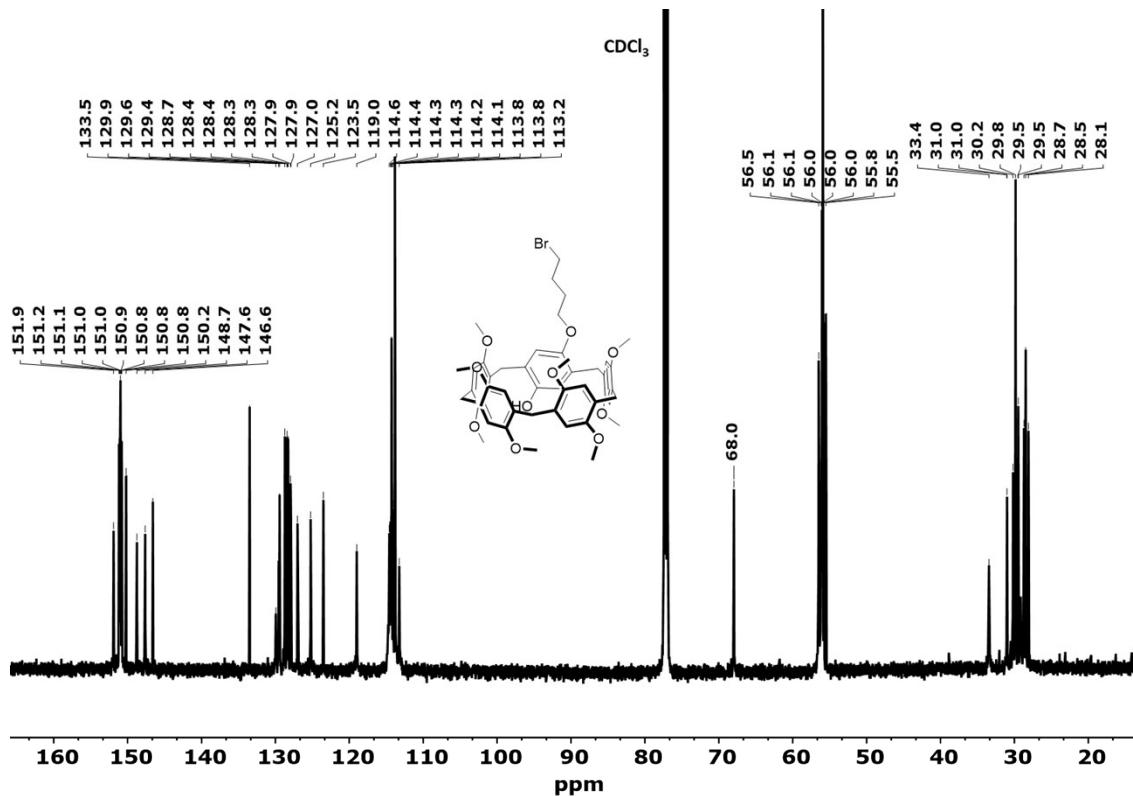
**Figure S18.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-2a.



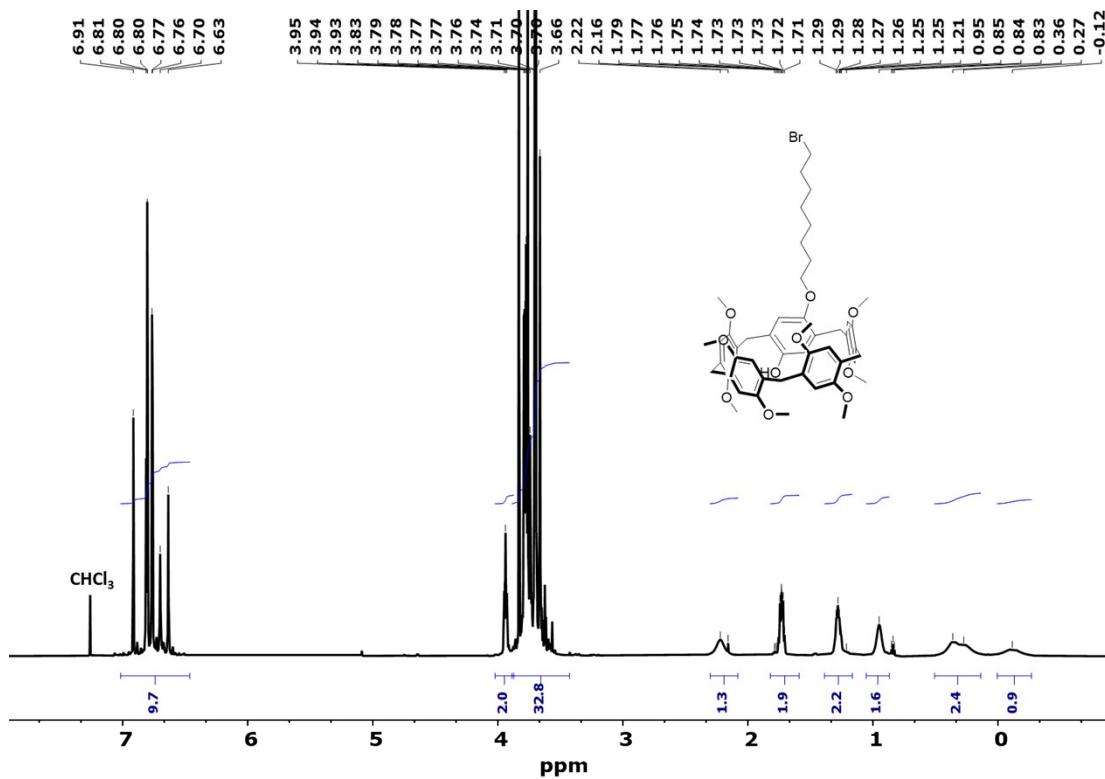
**Figure S19.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-2a.



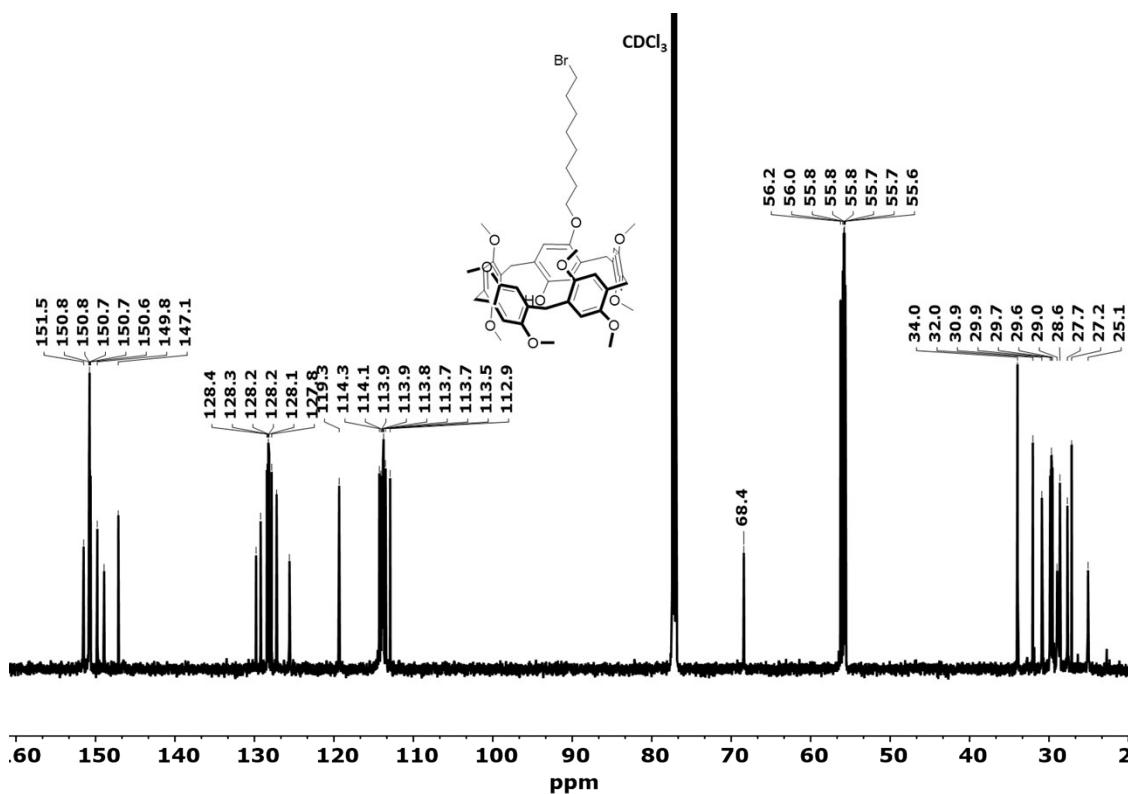
**Figure S20.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **Pillar-2b**.



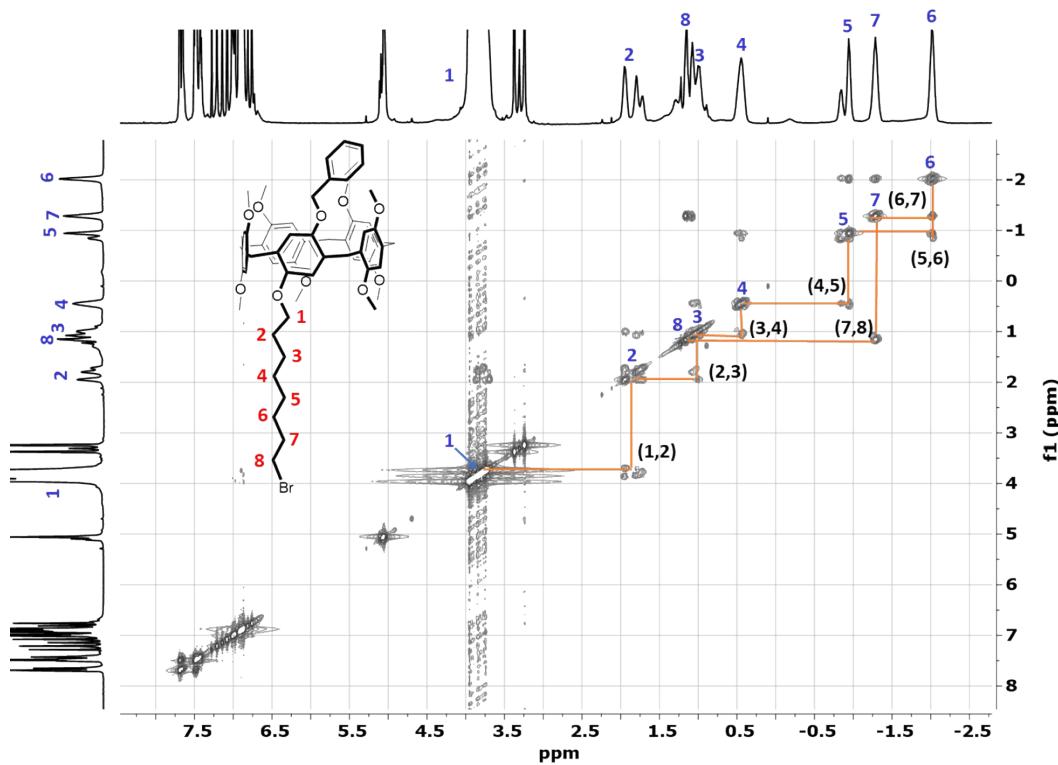
**Figure S21.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **Pillar-2b**.



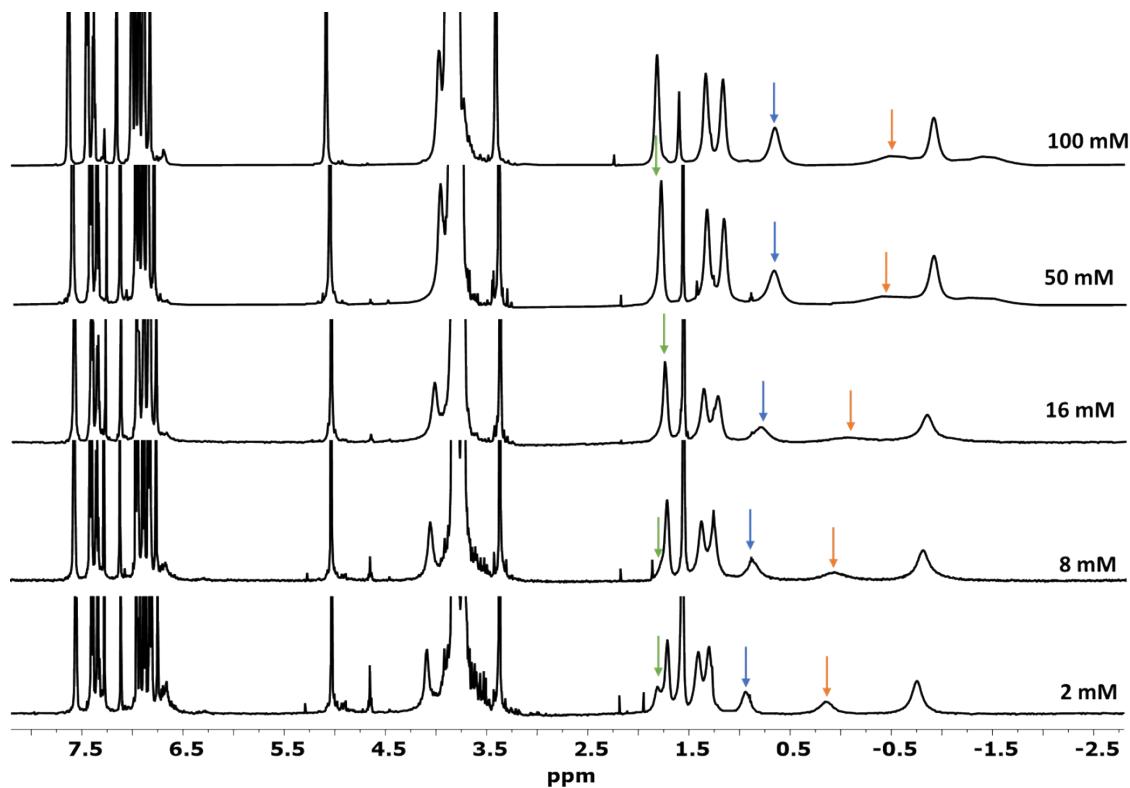
**Figure S22.**  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-2c.



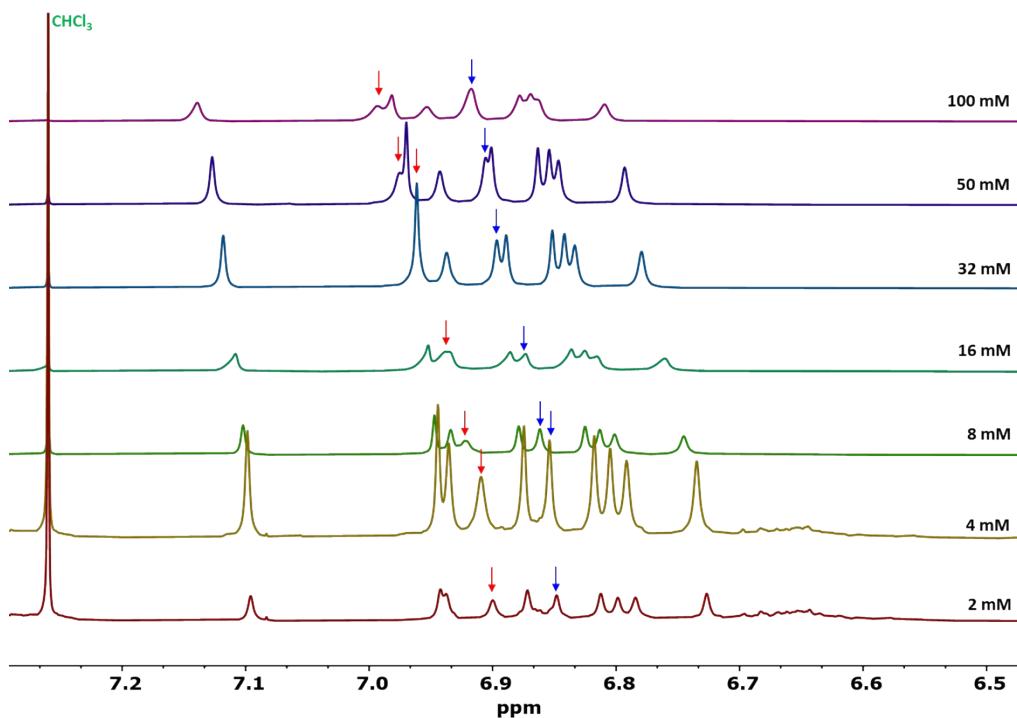
**Figure S23.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of Pillar-2c.



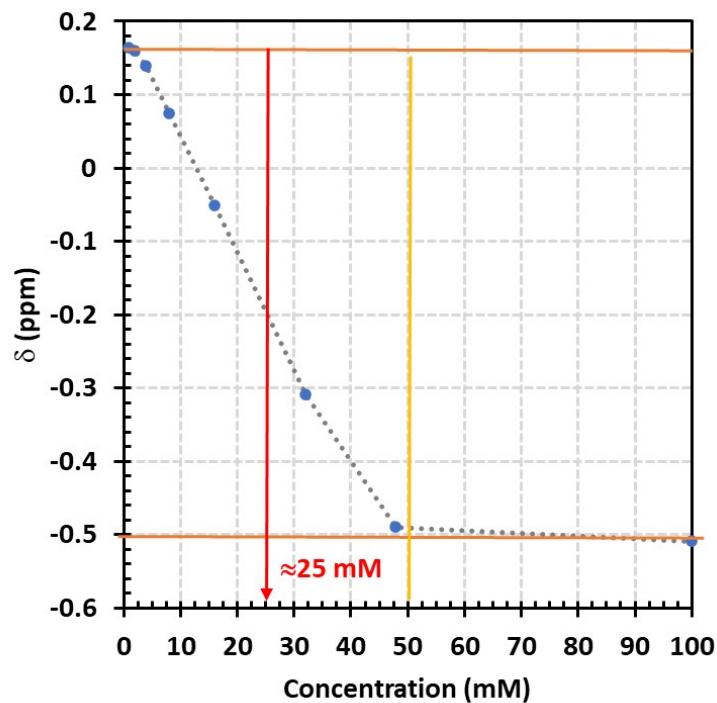
**Figure S24.** Expanded  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 233 K) of **Pillar-1c**.



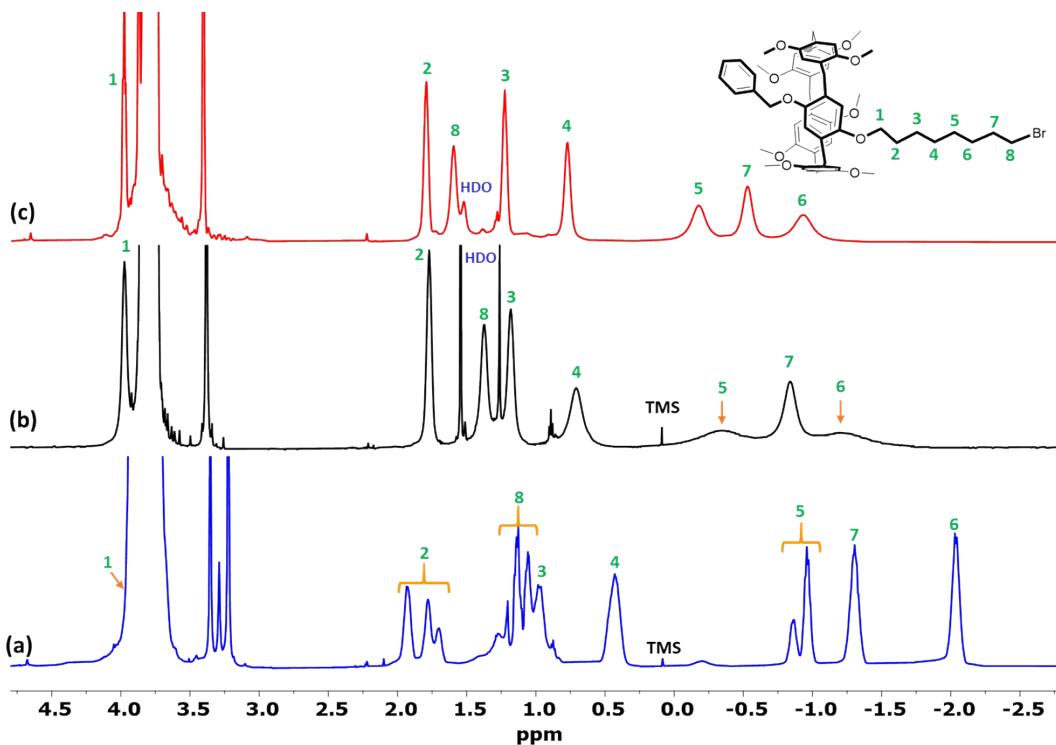
**Figure S25.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K) of **Pillar-1c** at various concentrations.



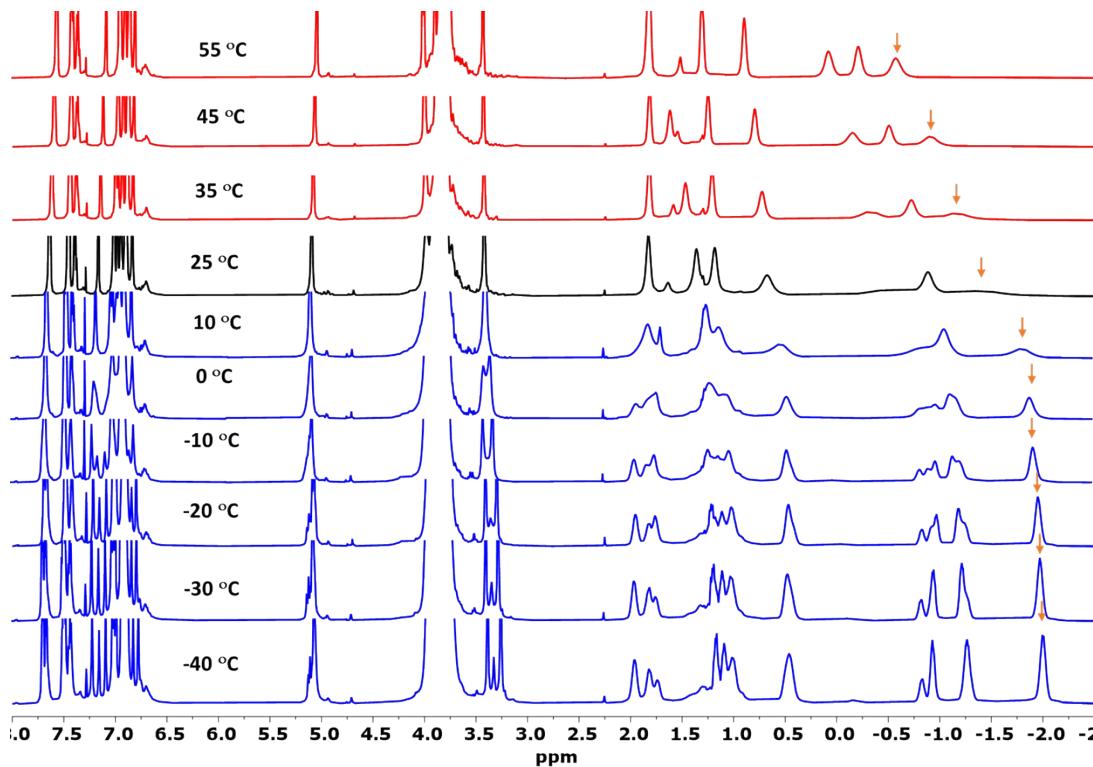
**Figure S26.** Expanded  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K) for **Pillar-1c** aromatic region at various concentrations.



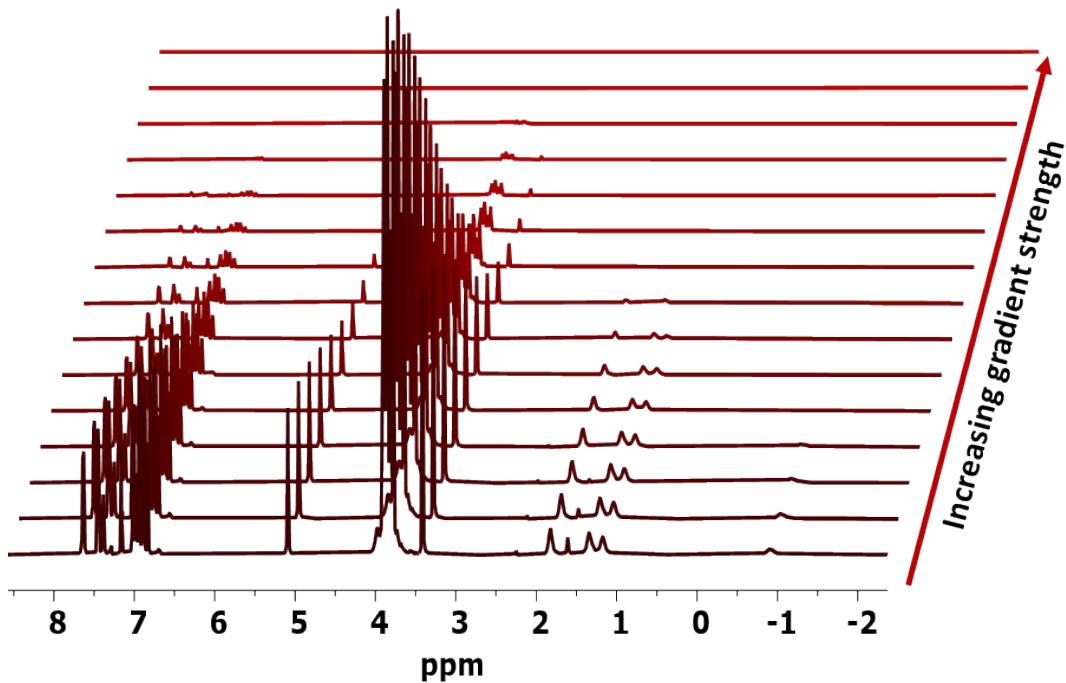
**Figure S27.** Plot of chemical shift changes ( $\delta$ ) of the methylene proton at 0.22 ppm as a function of concentration (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K) for **Pillar-1c**.



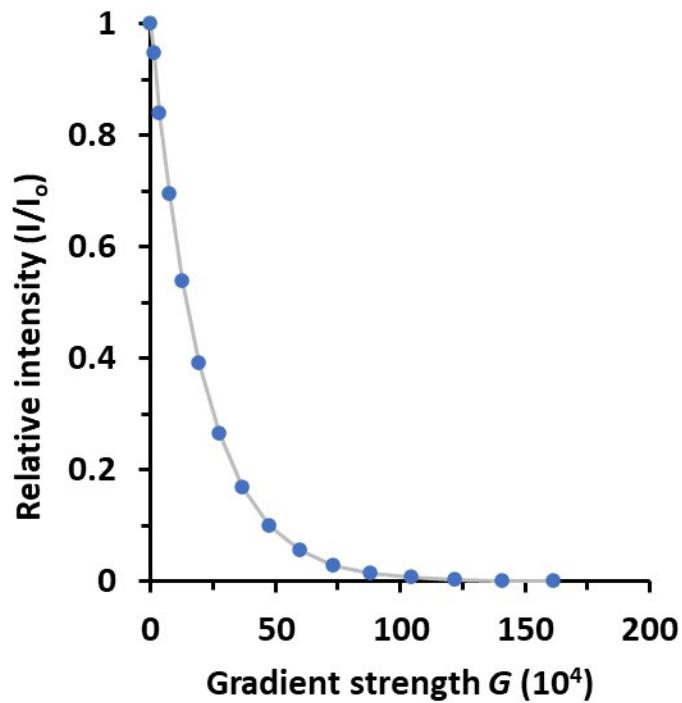
**Figure S28.** Partial  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of **Pillar-1c** at 258 K a), 298 K b) and 318 K b).



**Figure S29.** Variable-temperature  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of **Pillar-1c**



**Figure S30.** Typical experimental 1D <sup>1</sup>H Diffusion traces (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K) a progressive intensity decay as a function of gradient strength for **Pillar-1c**.



**Figure S31.** Typical plot of relative intensity ( $I/I_0$ ) changes of the aromatic protons' region as function of gradient strength  $G$  ( $10^4$ ) for **Pillar-1c** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K.