

## Reactivity of azido terpyridine Pd(II) and Pt(II) complexes towards 4,4,4-trifluoro-2-butyric acid: Structural insight into the triazolato coordination mode

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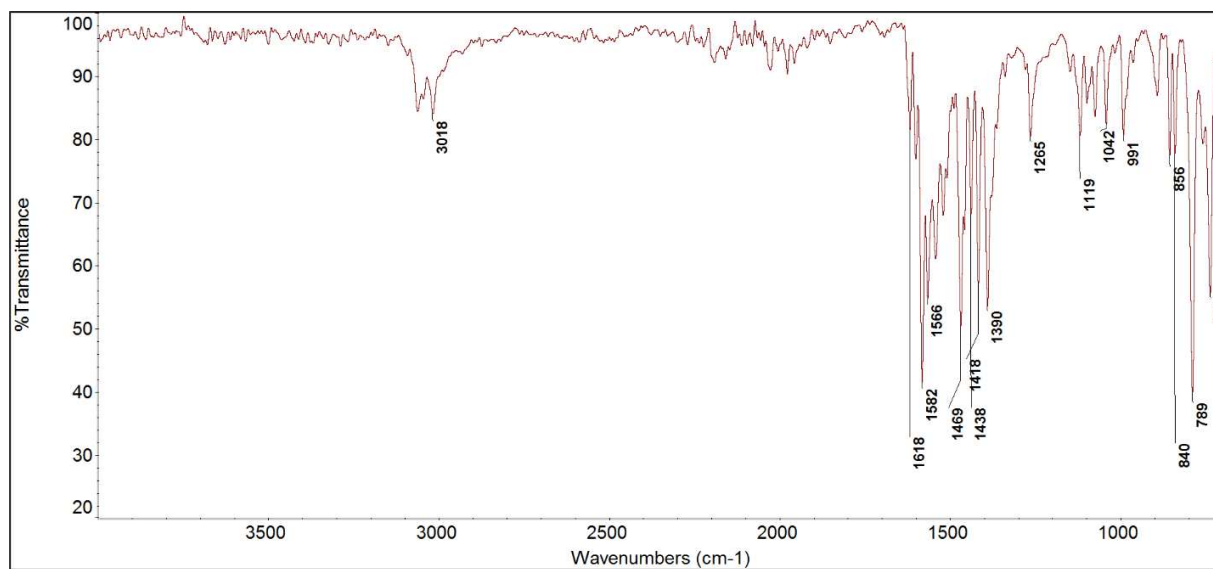
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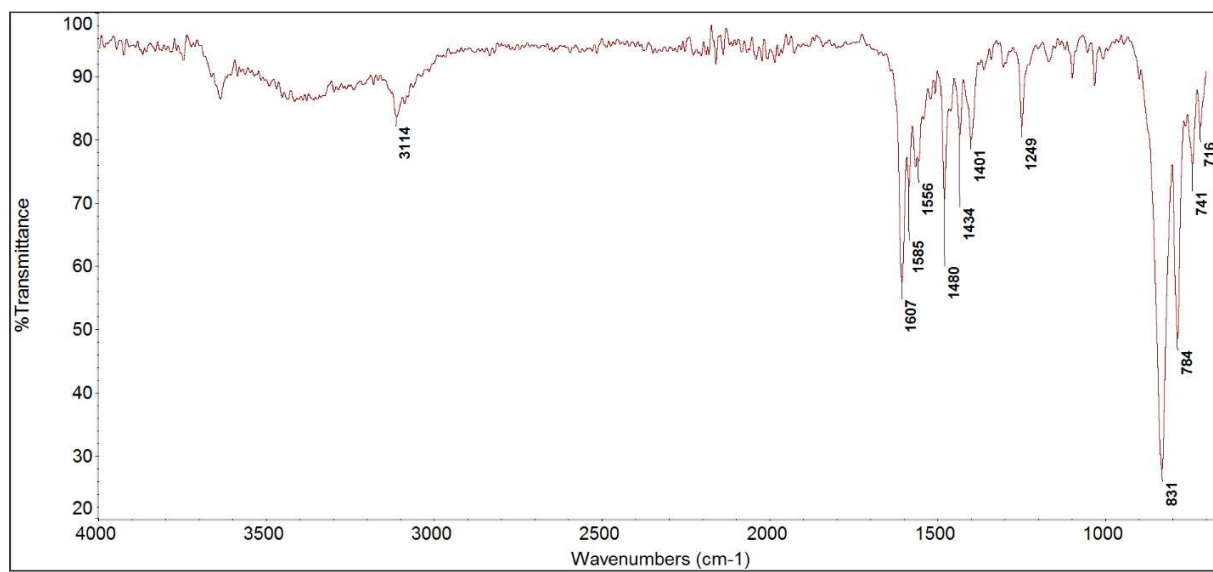
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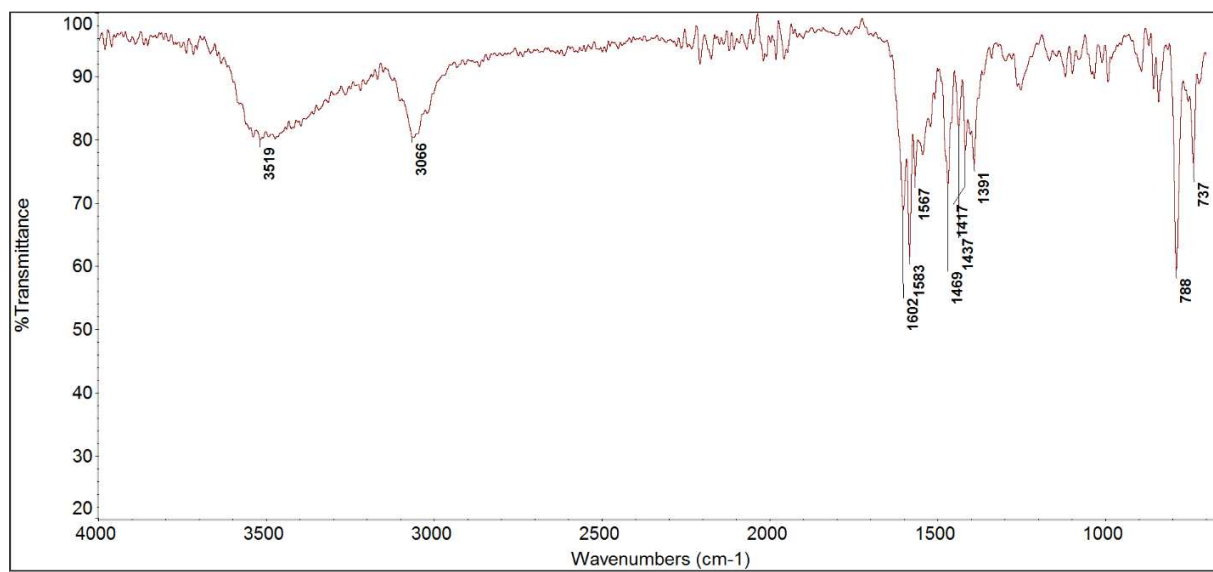
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**Fig. S1** ATR IR spectrum of the free terpyridine ligand.



**Fig. S2** ATR IR spectrum of **1**.



**Fig. S3** ATR IR spectrum of **2**.

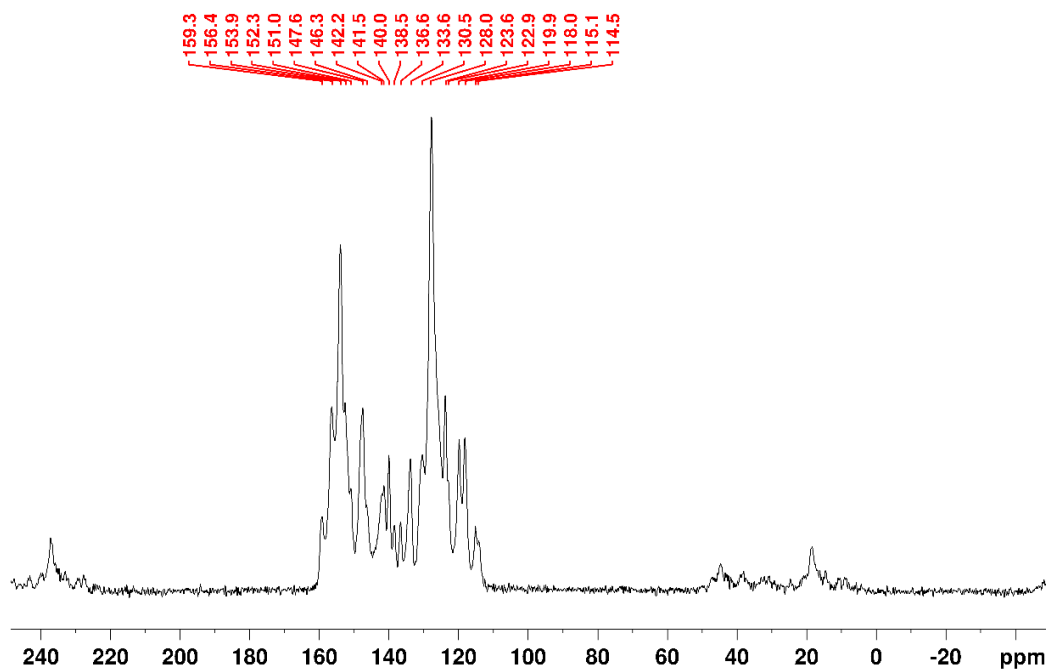


Fig. S4 Solid-state  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **1**.

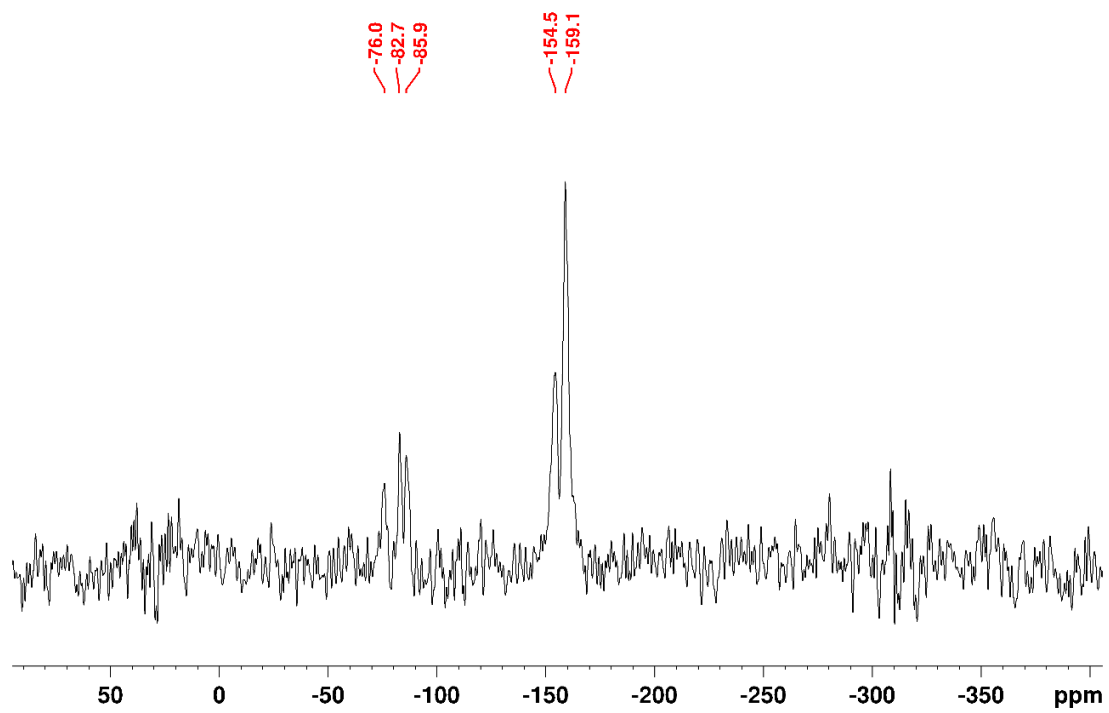
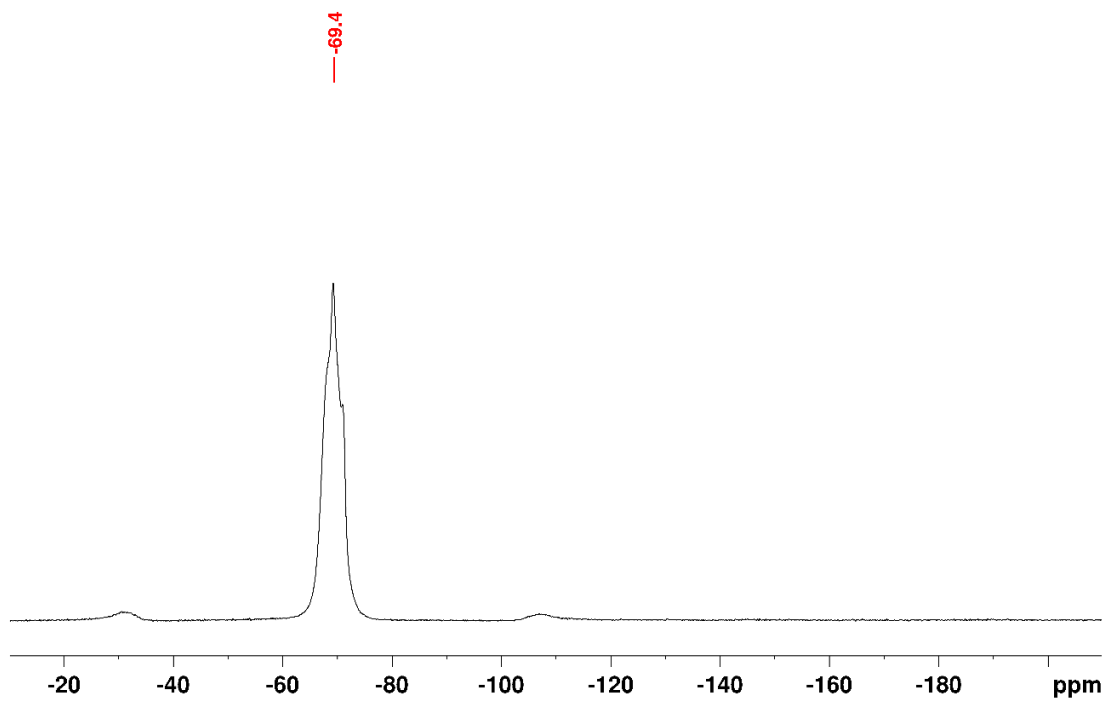
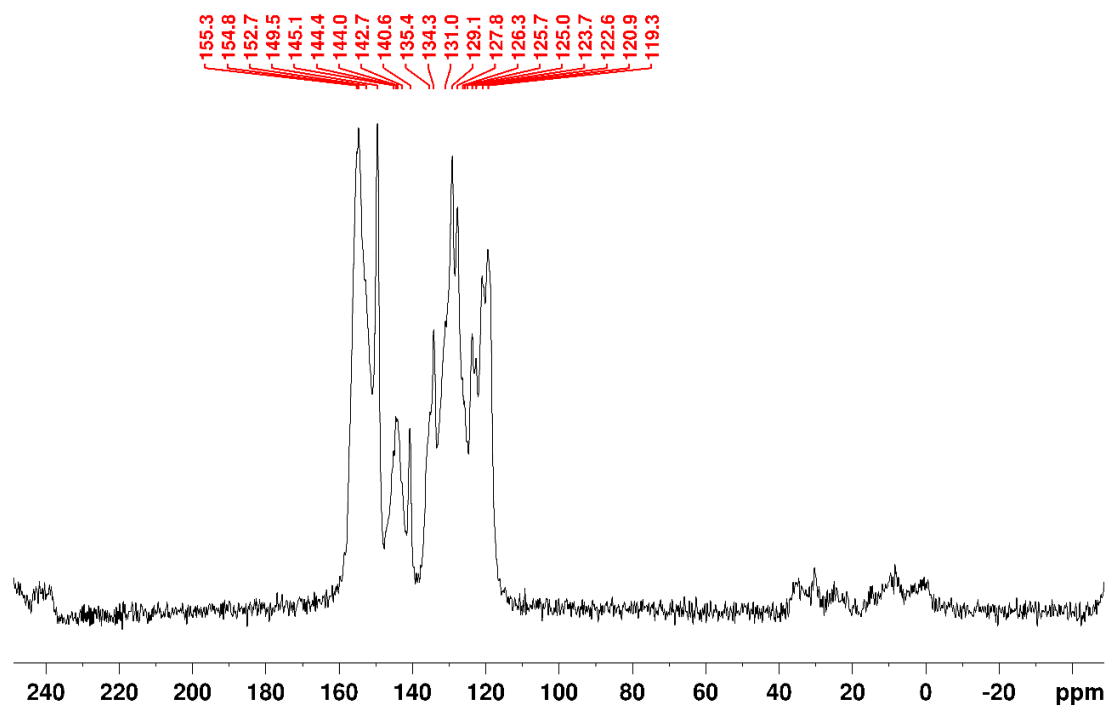


Fig. S5 Solid-state  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectrum of **1**.

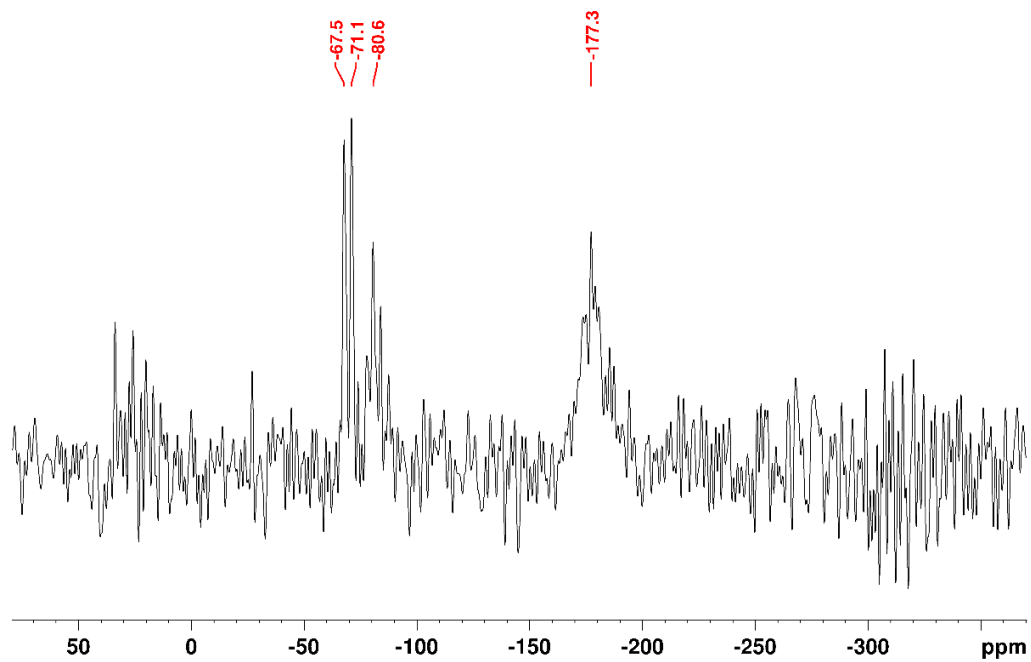


**Fig. S6** Solid-state  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of **1**.

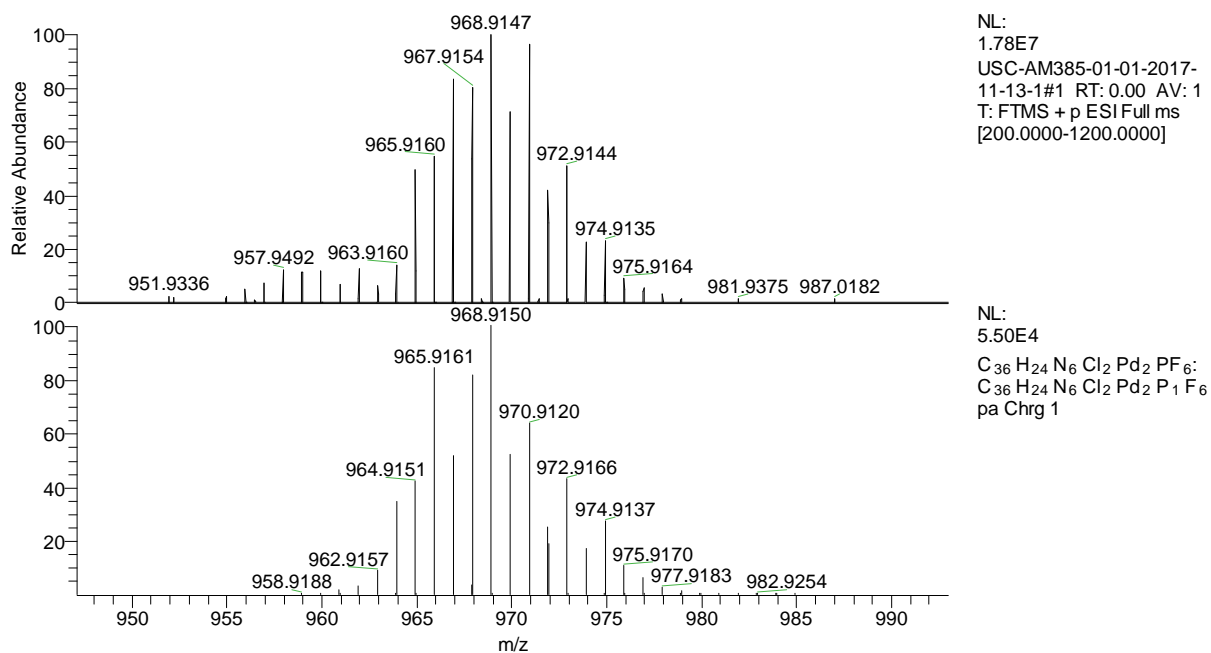




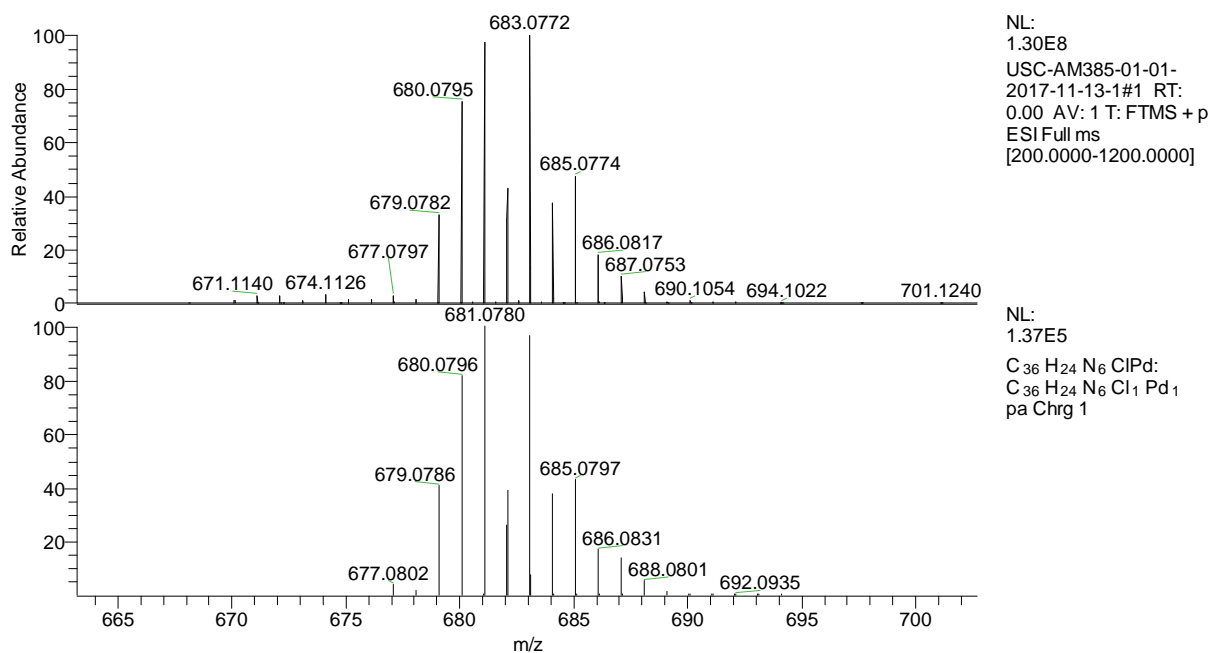
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**Fig. S8** Solid-state  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectrum of **2**.

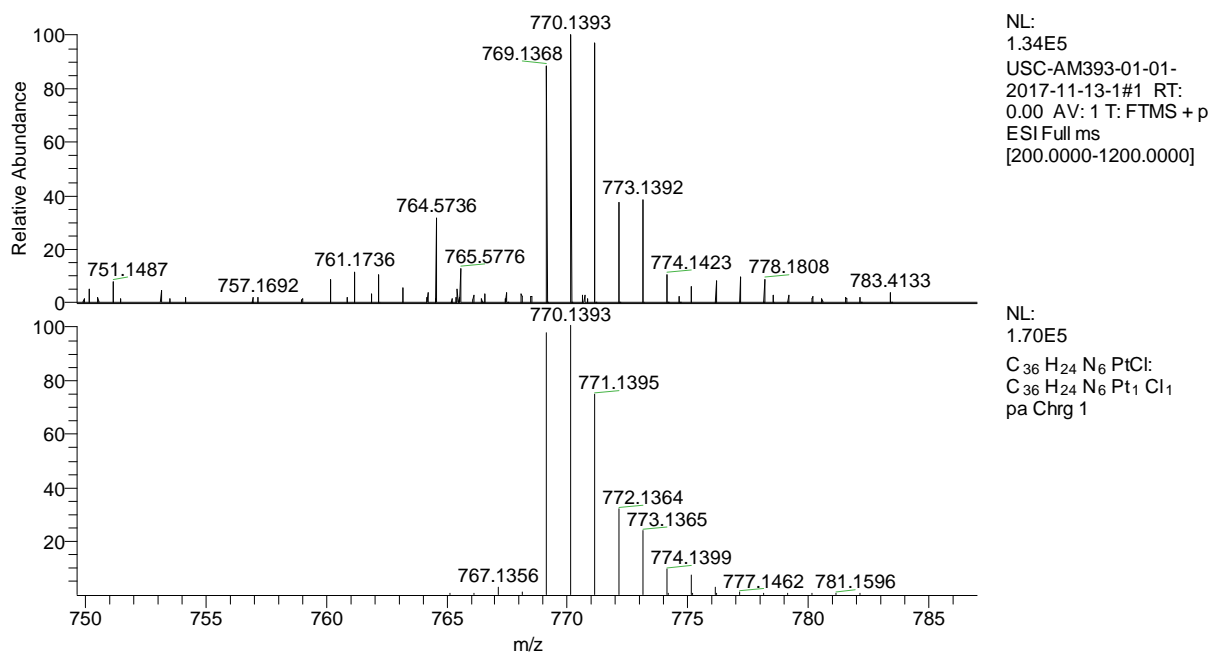


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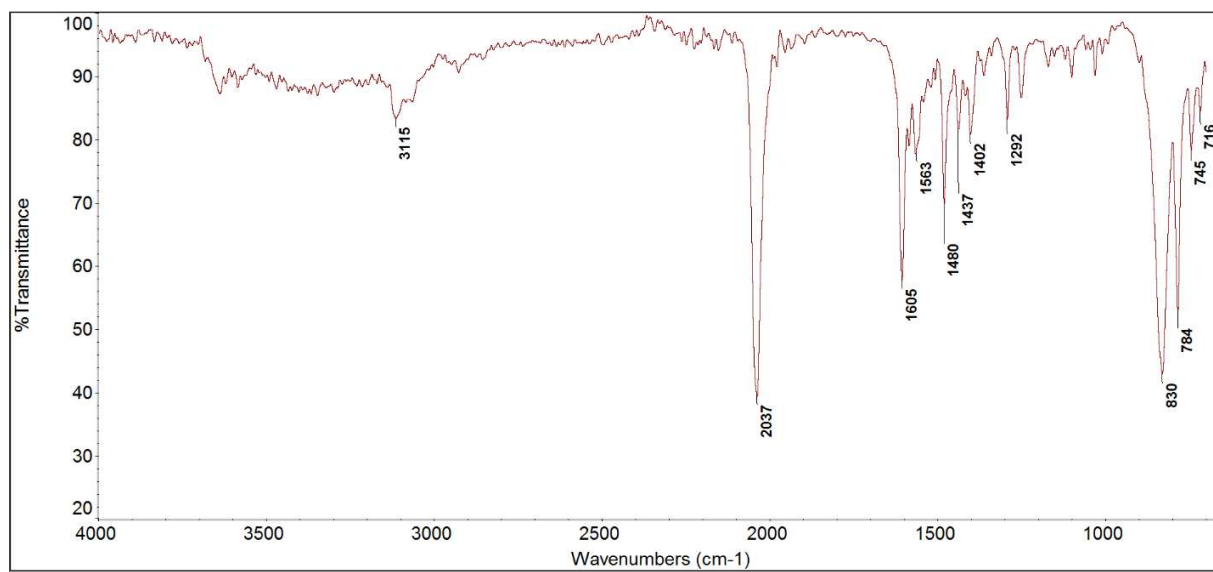


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Fig. S9 ASAP mass spectra: Experimental (Up) and theoretical (down) ISOTOPIC pattern for **1** of a)  $m/z = 968.9147$  and b)  $m/z = 683.0772$ .



**Fig. S10** ASAP mass spectra: Experimental (Up) and theoretical (down) ISOTOPIC pattern for **2**.



**Fig. S11** ATR IR spectrum of **3**.

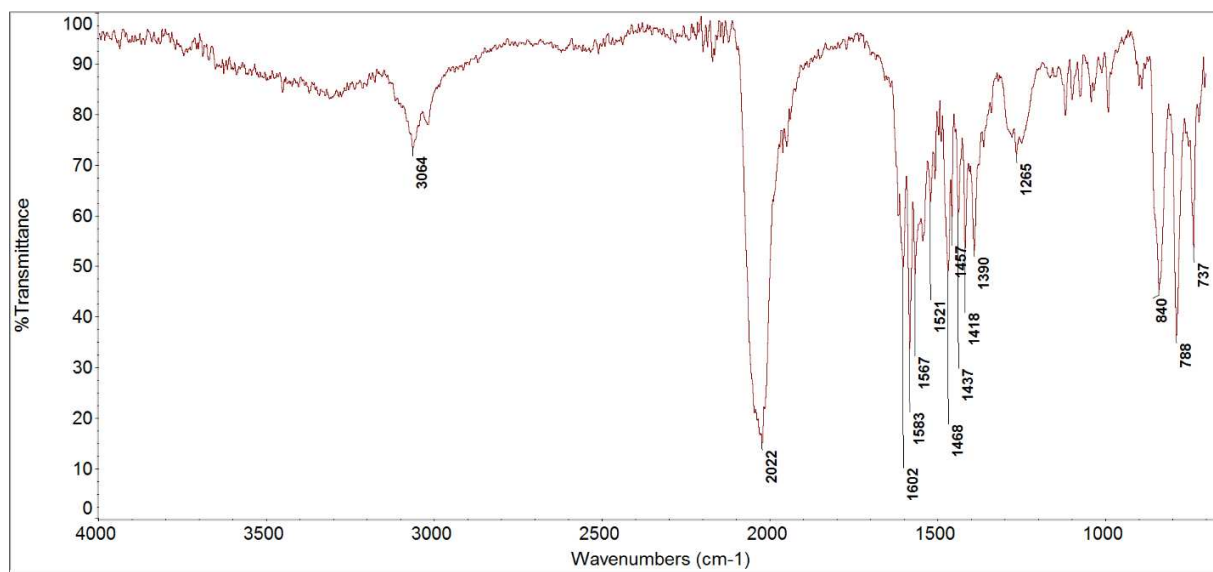


Fig. S12 ATR IR spectrum of 4.

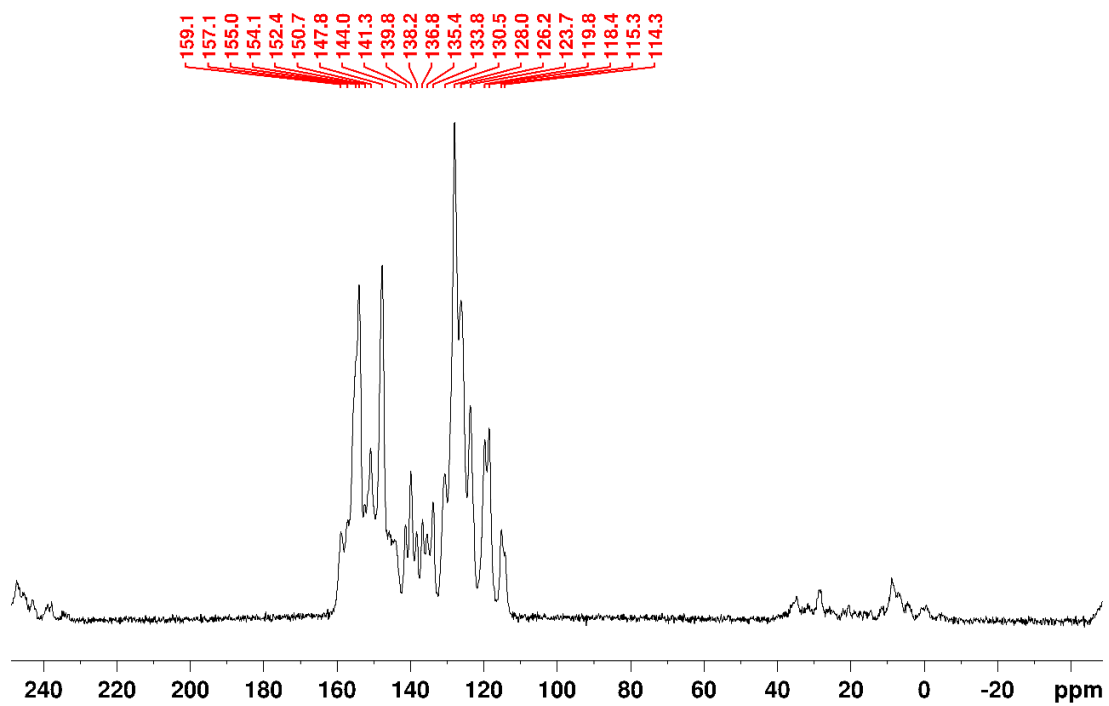


Fig. S13 Solid-state  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **3**.

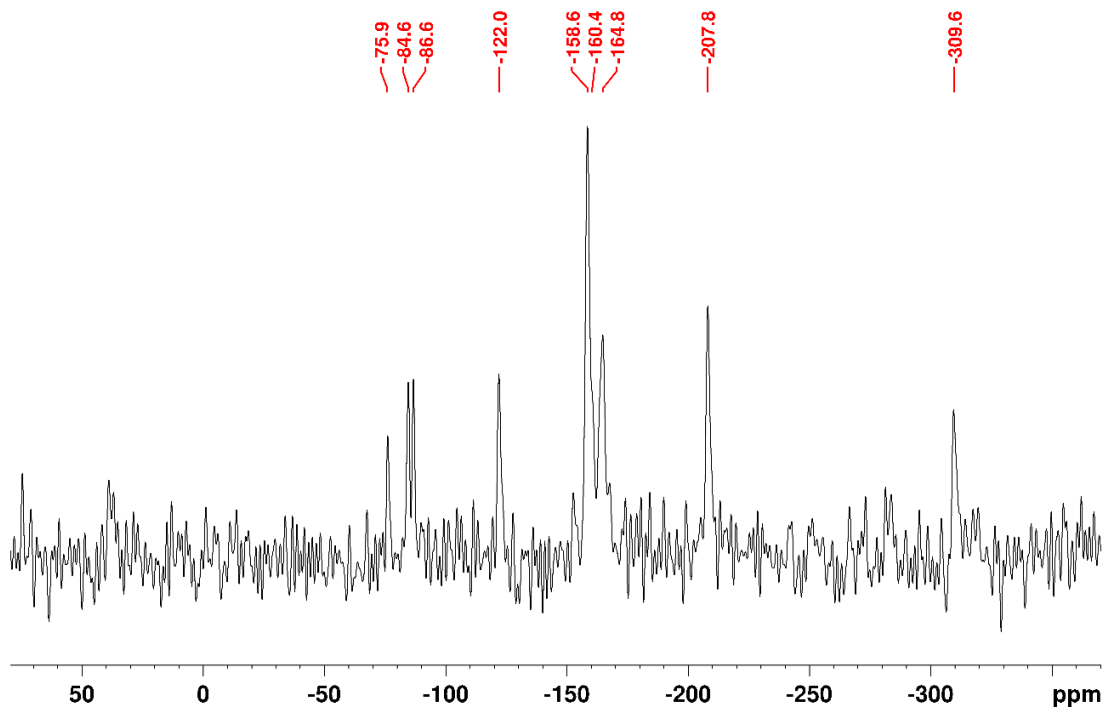
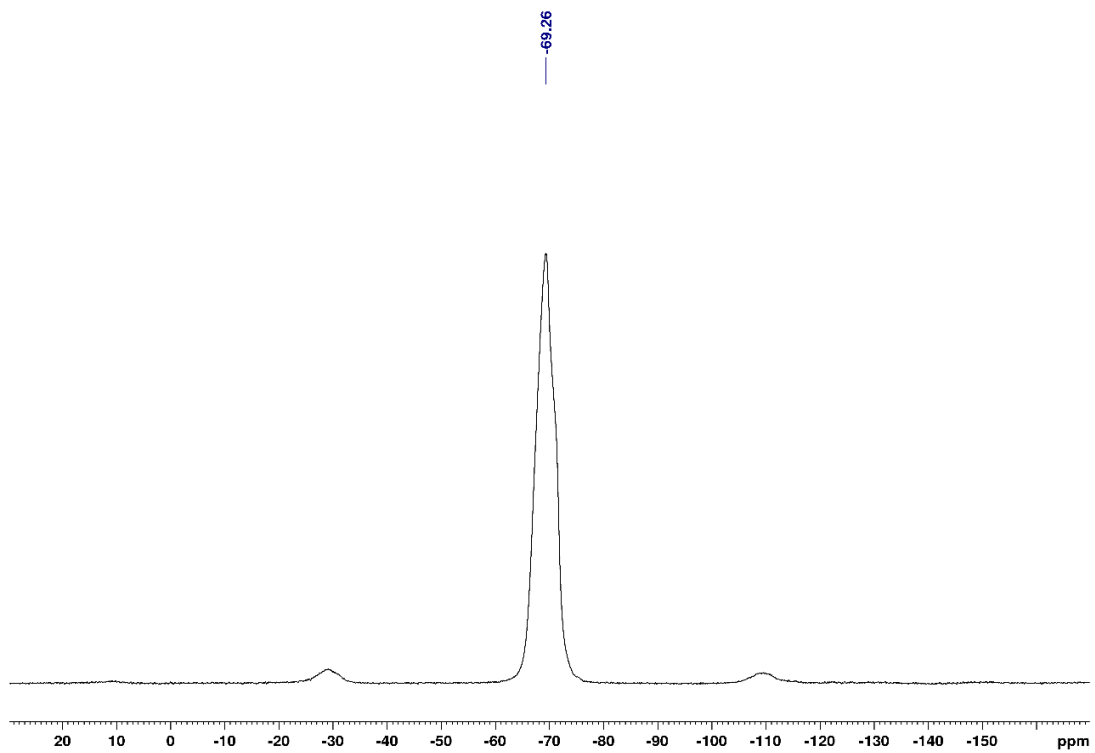
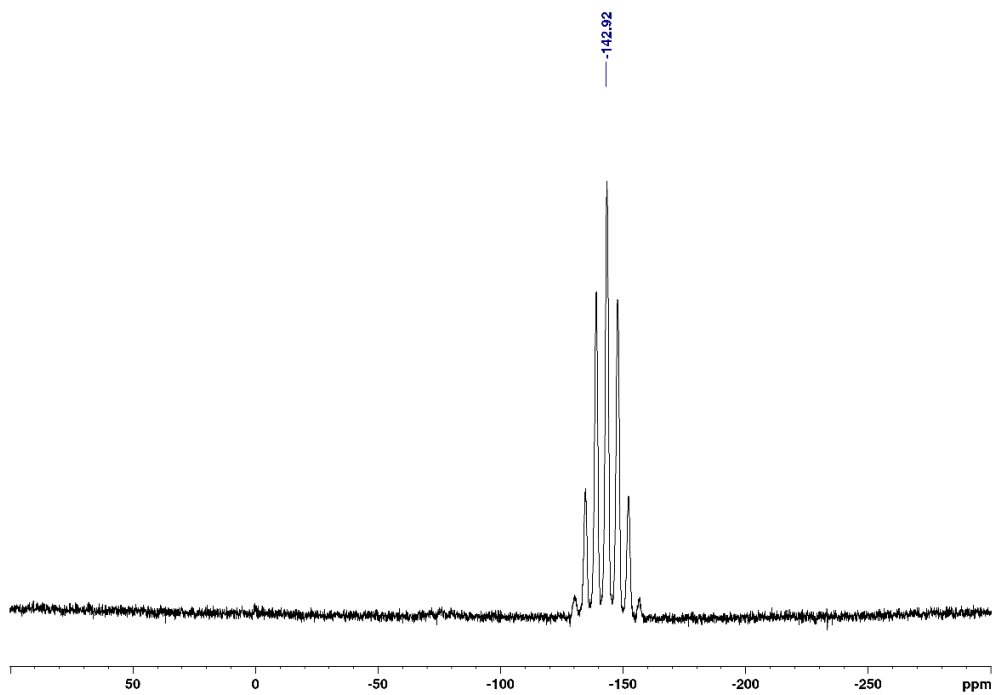


Fig. S14 Solid-state  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectrum of 3.





**Fig. S15** Solid-state  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of **3**.



**Fig. S16** Solid-state  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum of **3**.

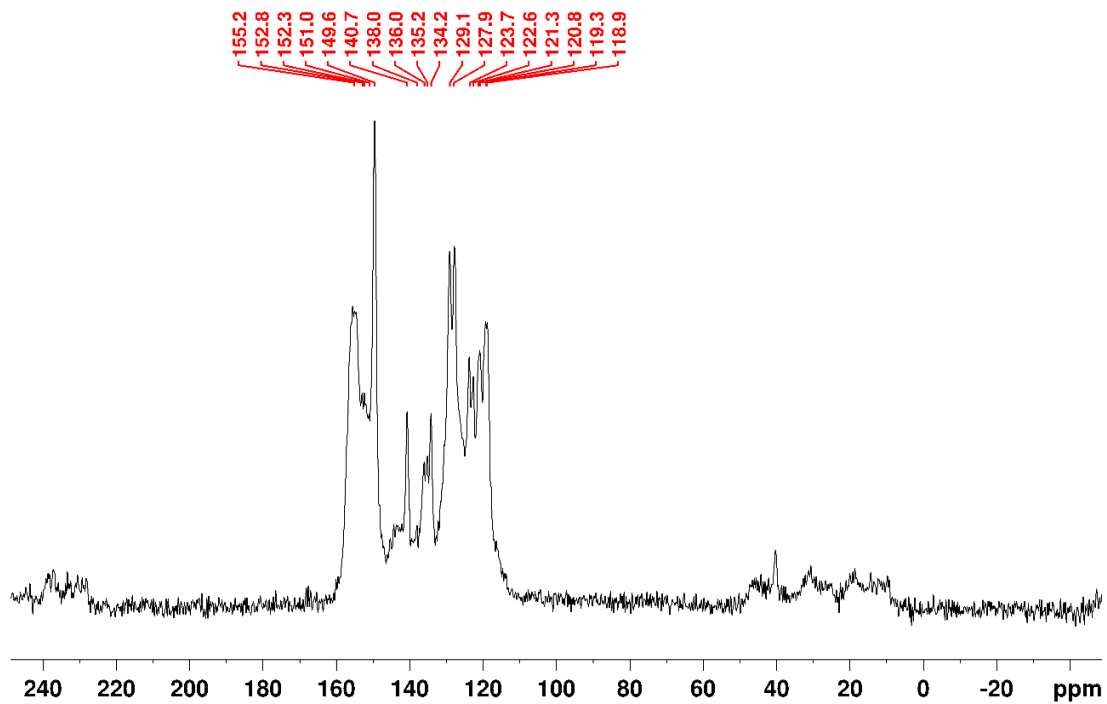


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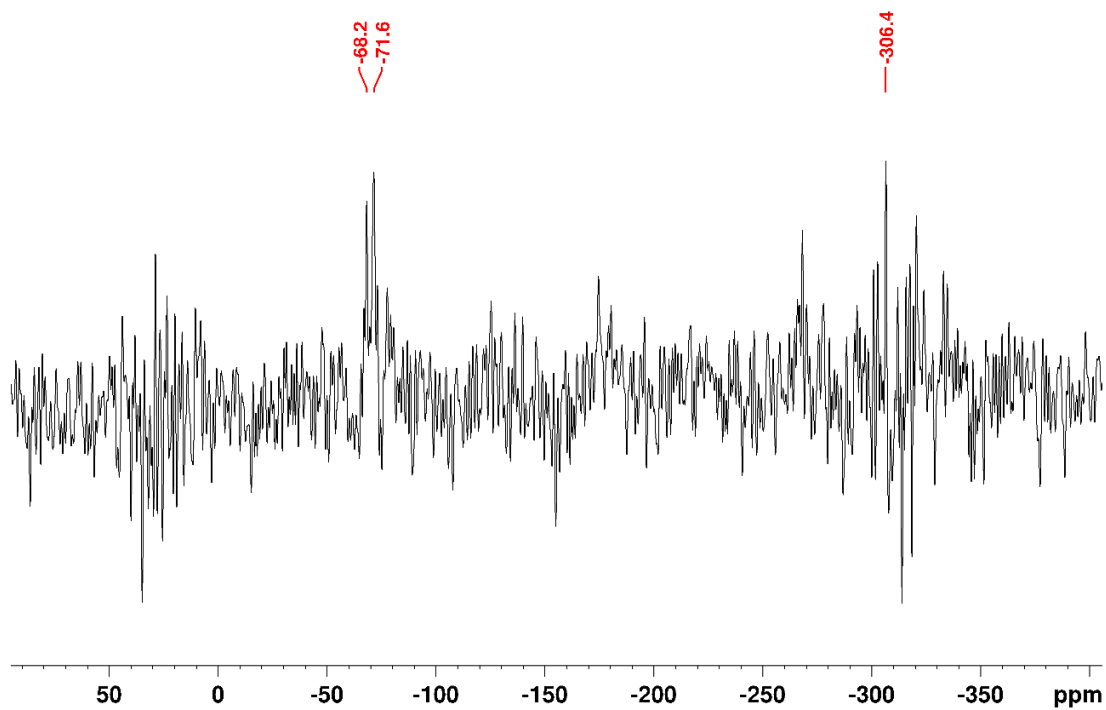
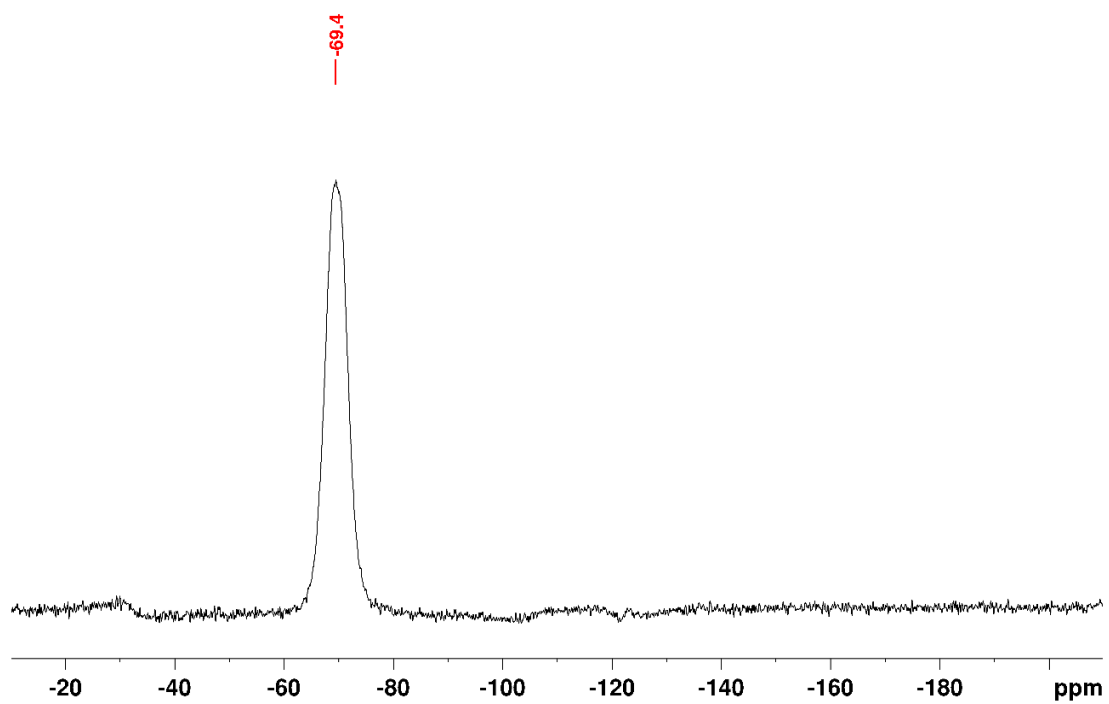
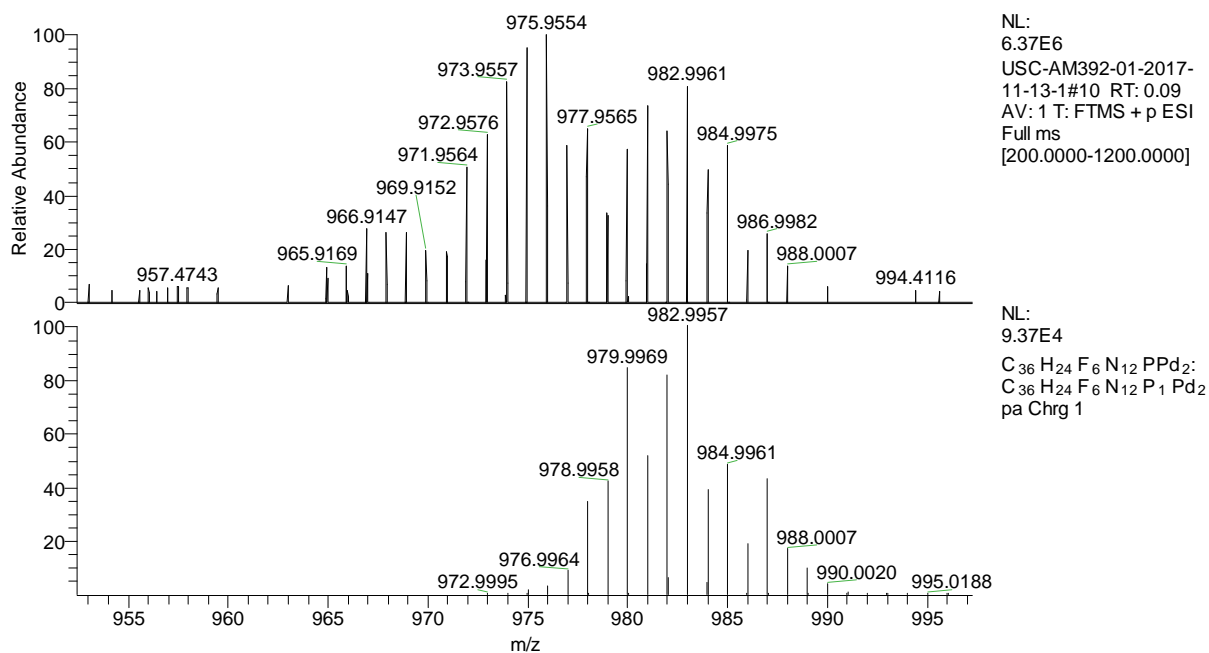


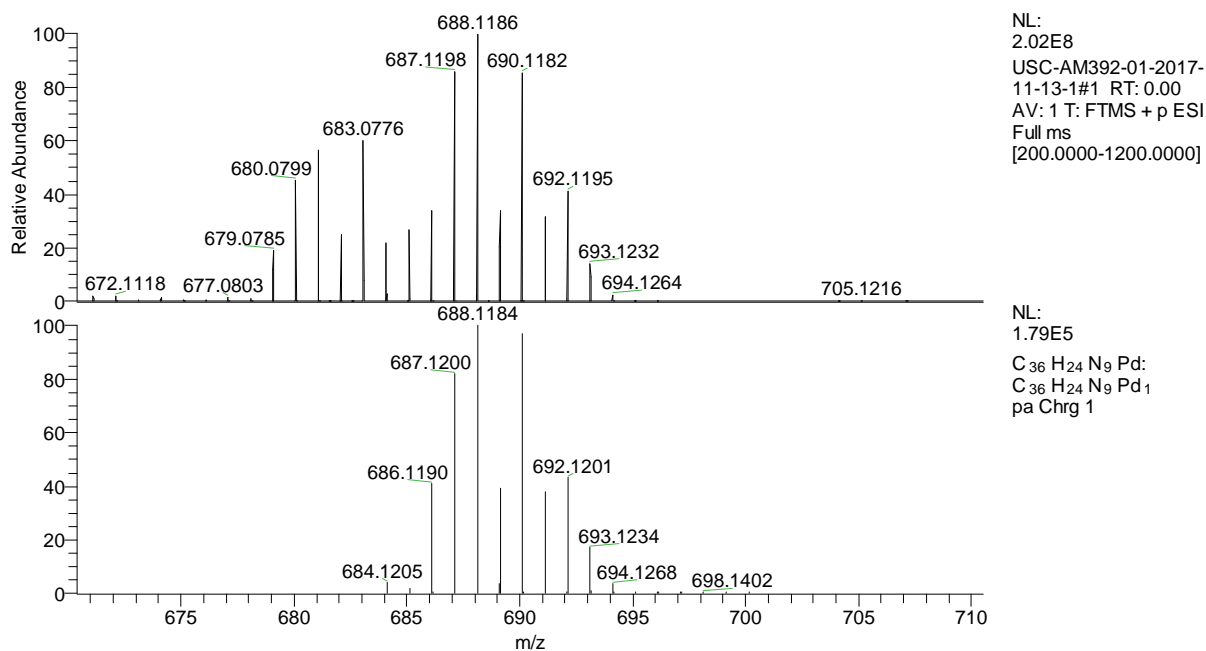
Fig. S18 Solid-state  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectrum of 4.



**Fig. S19** Solid-state  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of **4**.

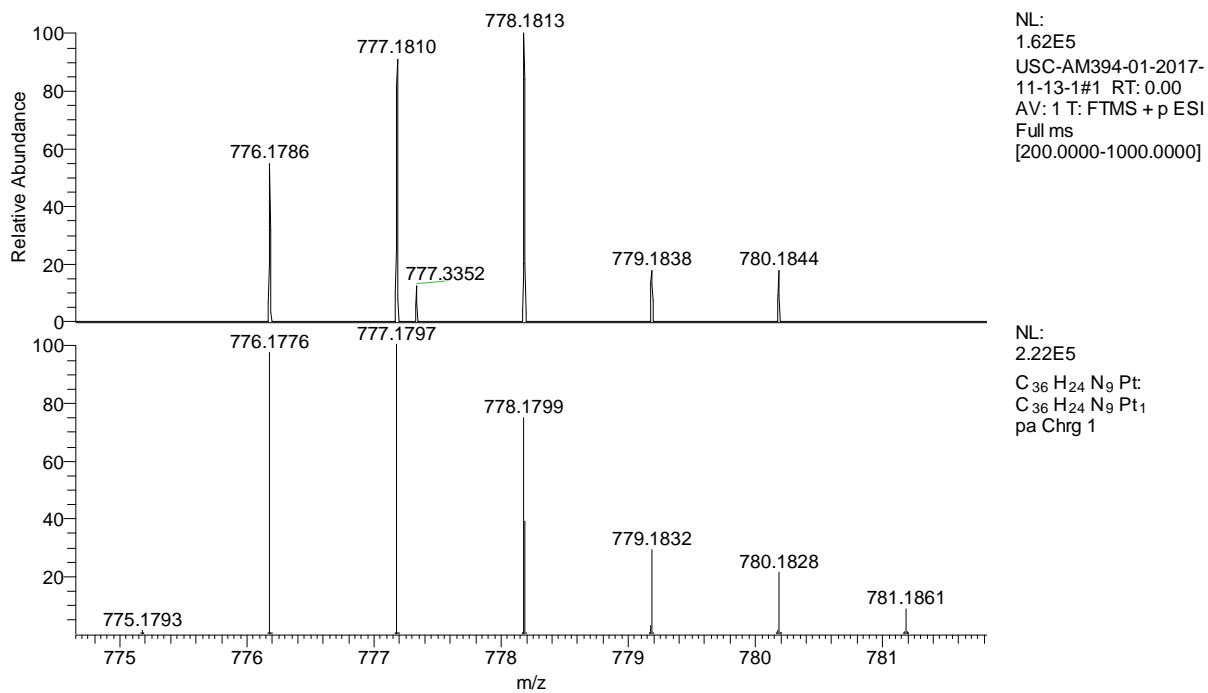


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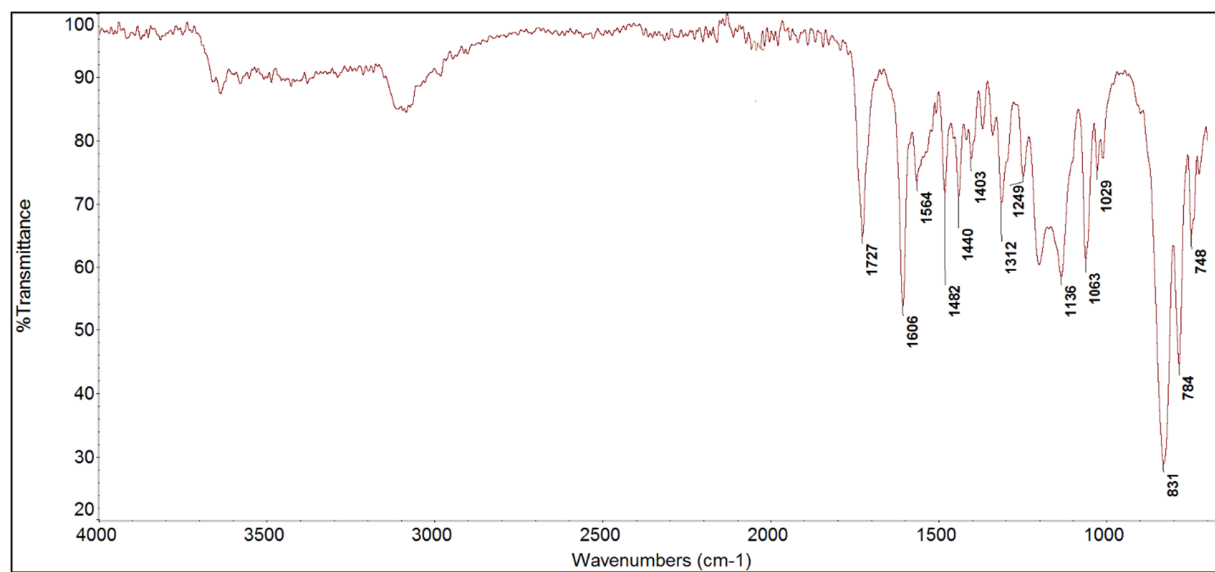


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**Fig. S20** ASAP mass spectra: Experimental (Up) and theoretical (down) ISOTOPIC pattern for complex **3** of **a)**  $m/z = 975.9554$  and **b)**  $m/z = 688.1186$ .

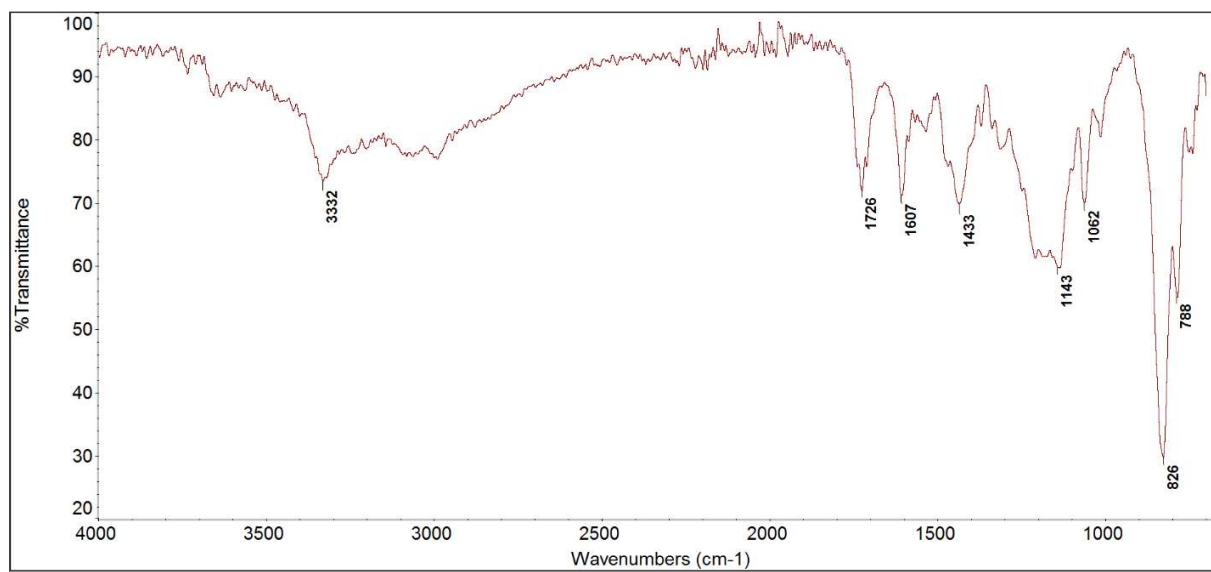


**Fig. S21** Electrospray ionization mass spectra: Experimental (Up) and theoretical (down) ISOTOPIC pattern for **4**.

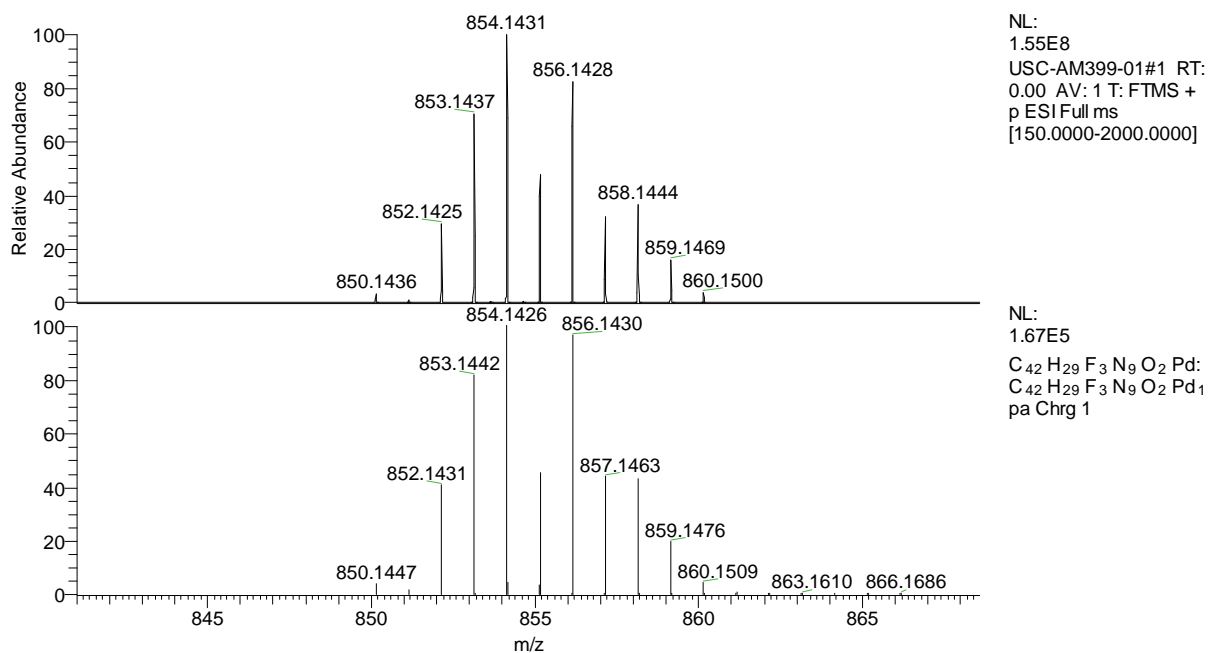


**Fig. S22** ATR IR spectrum of **5**.

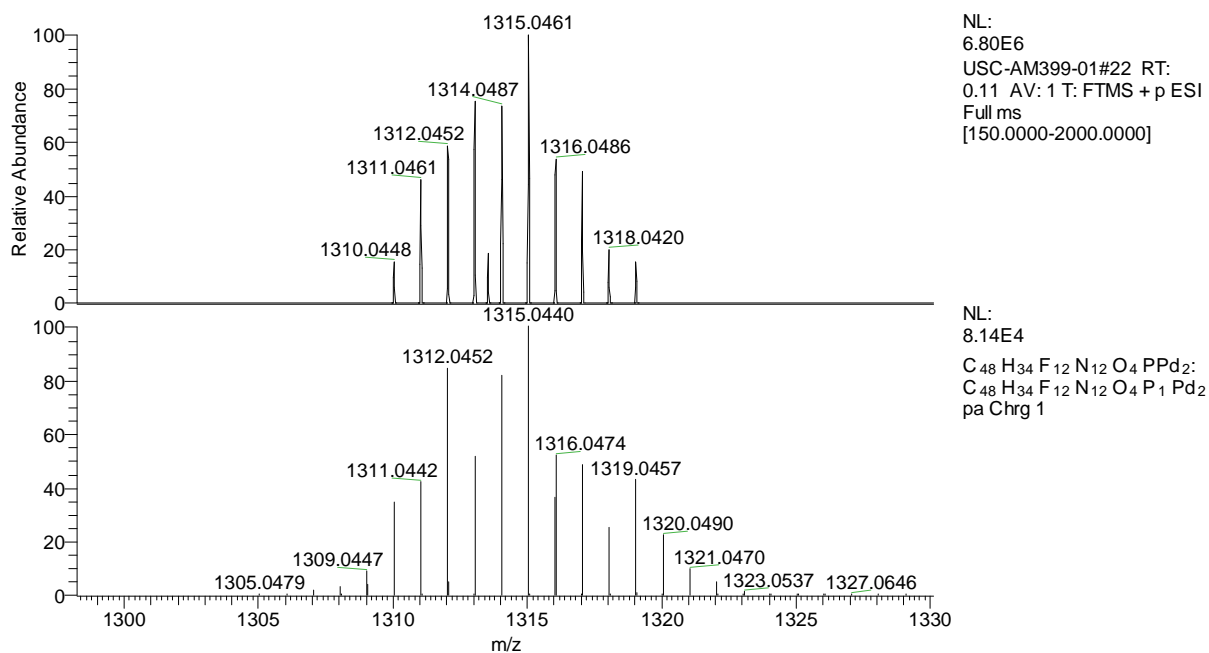




**Fig. S23** ATR IR spectrum of **6**.

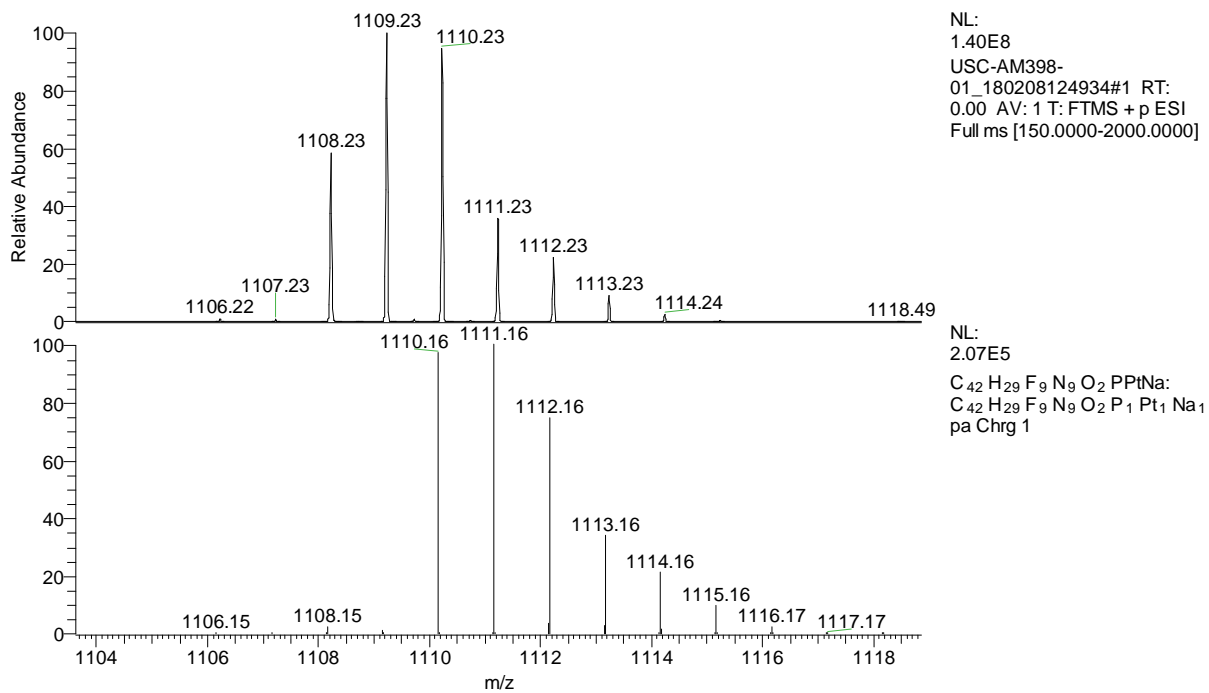


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**Fig. S24** Electrospray ionization mass spectra: Experimental (Up) and theoretical (down) ISOTOPIC pattern for complex **5** of **a)**  $m/z = 854.1431$  and **b)**  $m/z = 1315.0461$ .



**Fig. S25** Electrospray ionization mass spectra: Experimental (Up) and theoretical (down) ISOTOPIC pattern for complex **6**.

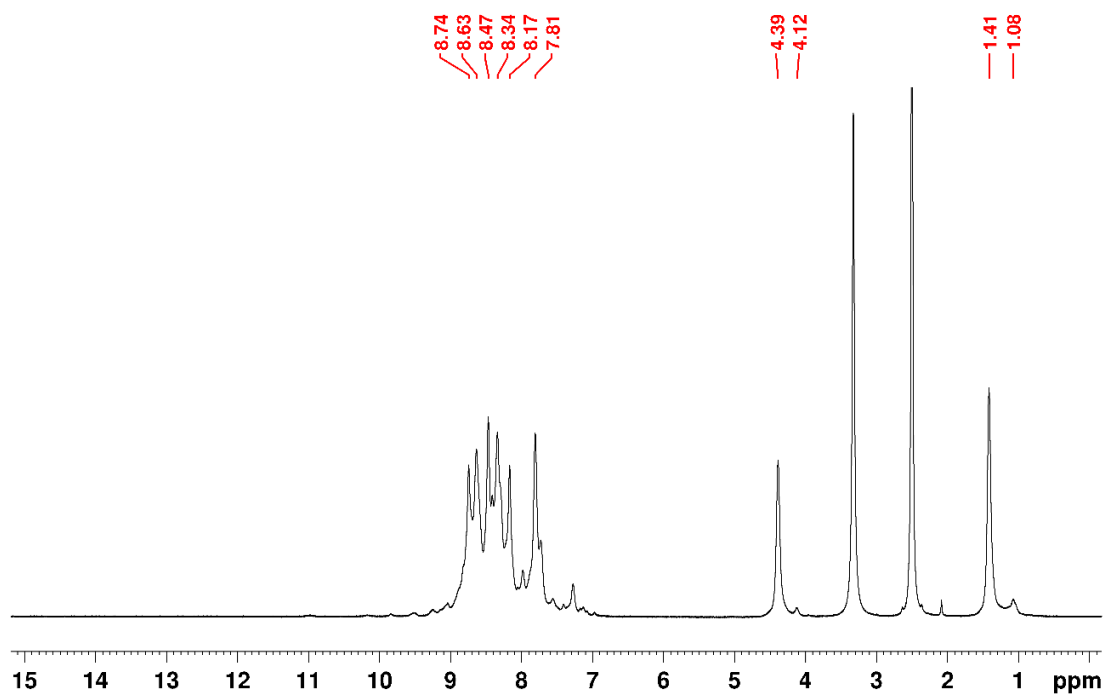


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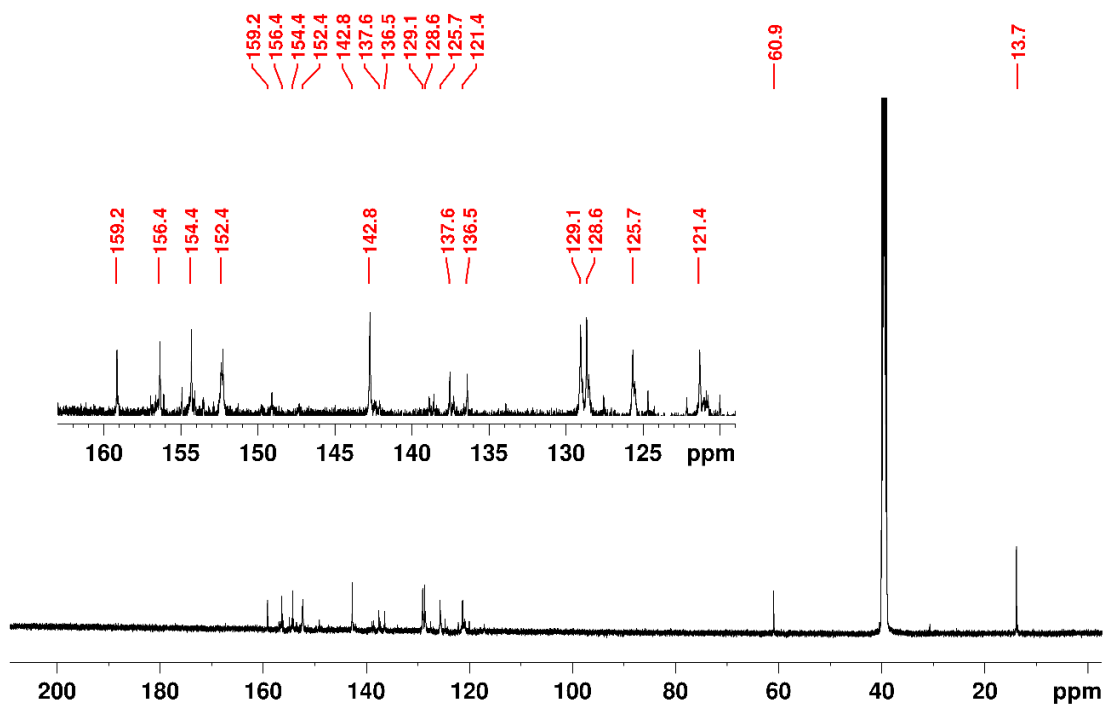


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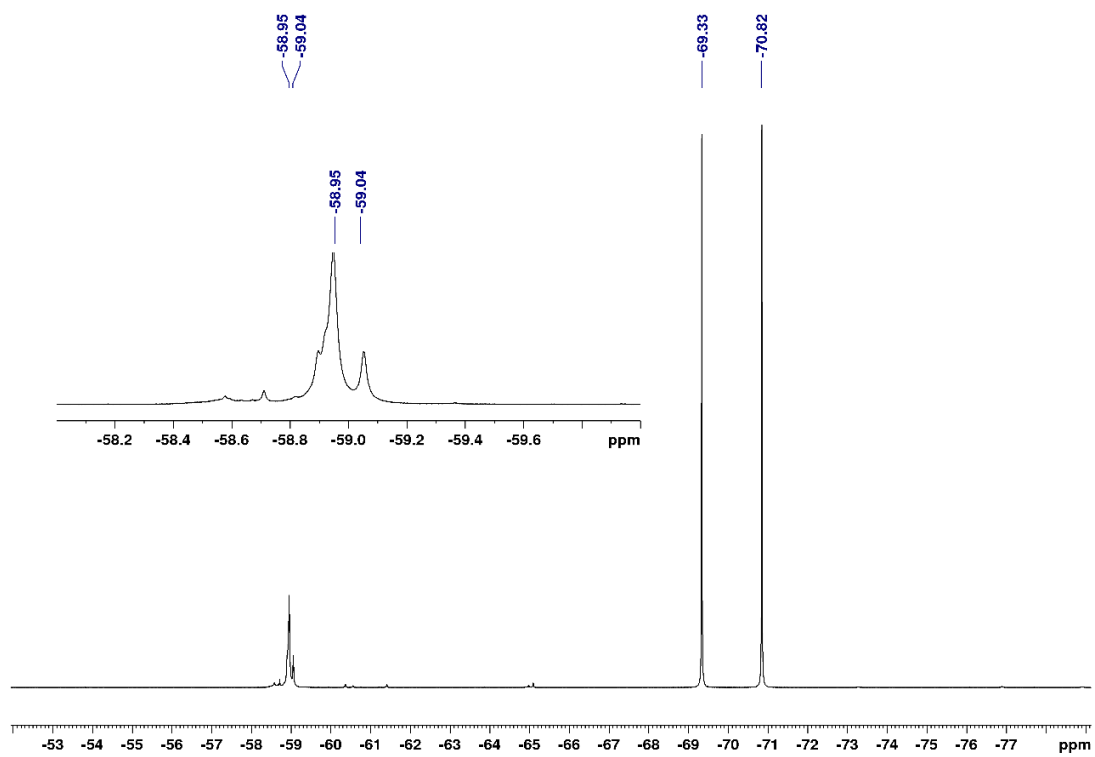


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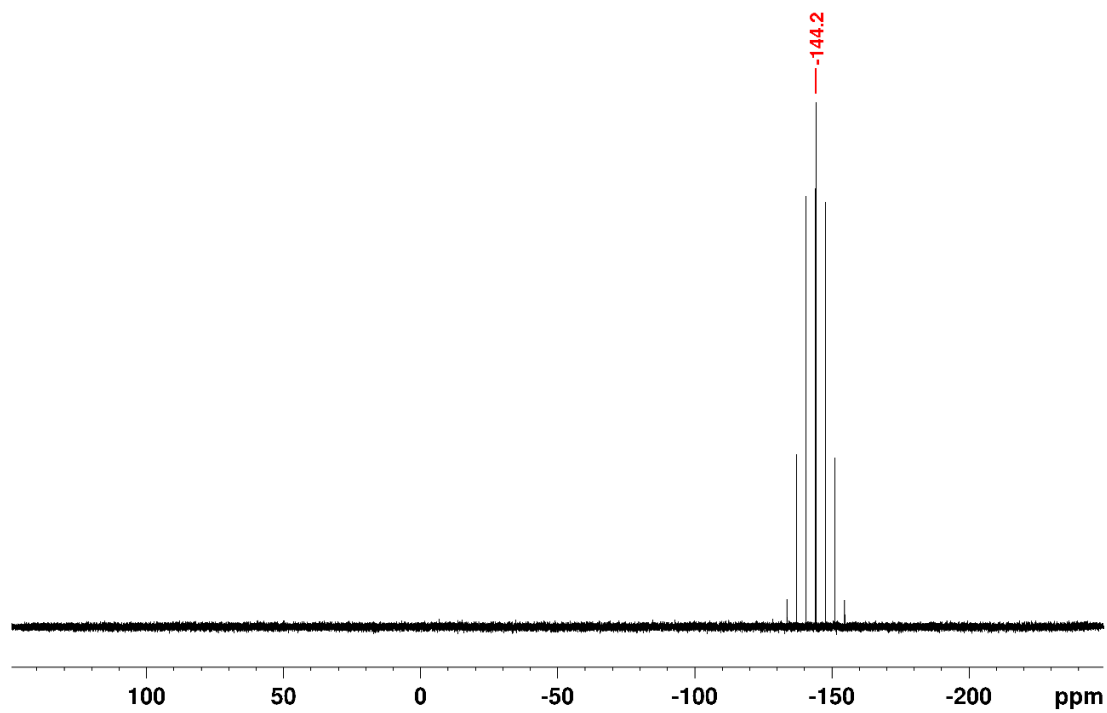


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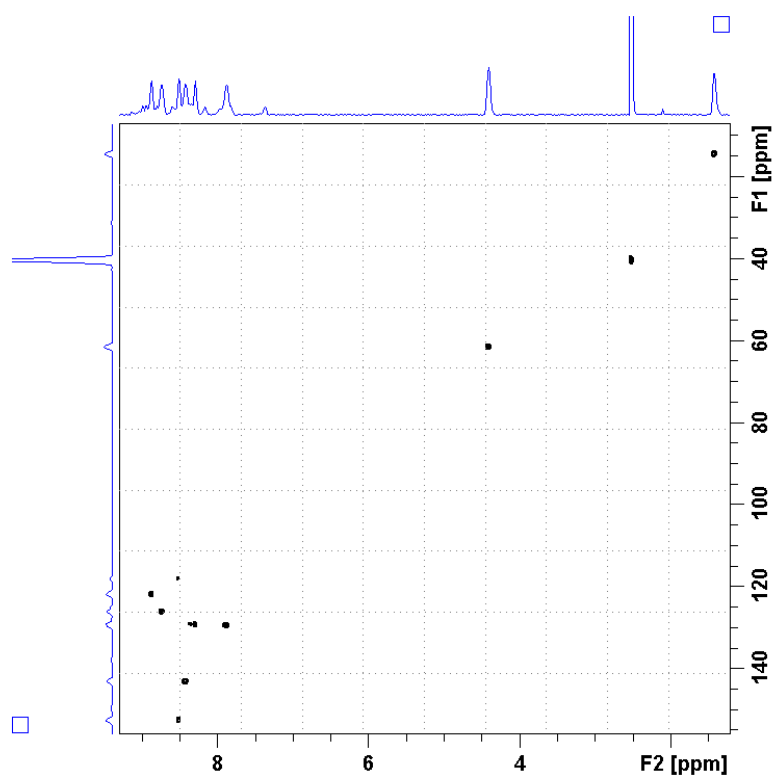


Fig. S30 HSQC  $\{^1\text{H}, ^{13}\text{C}\}$  NMR spectrum of 5.



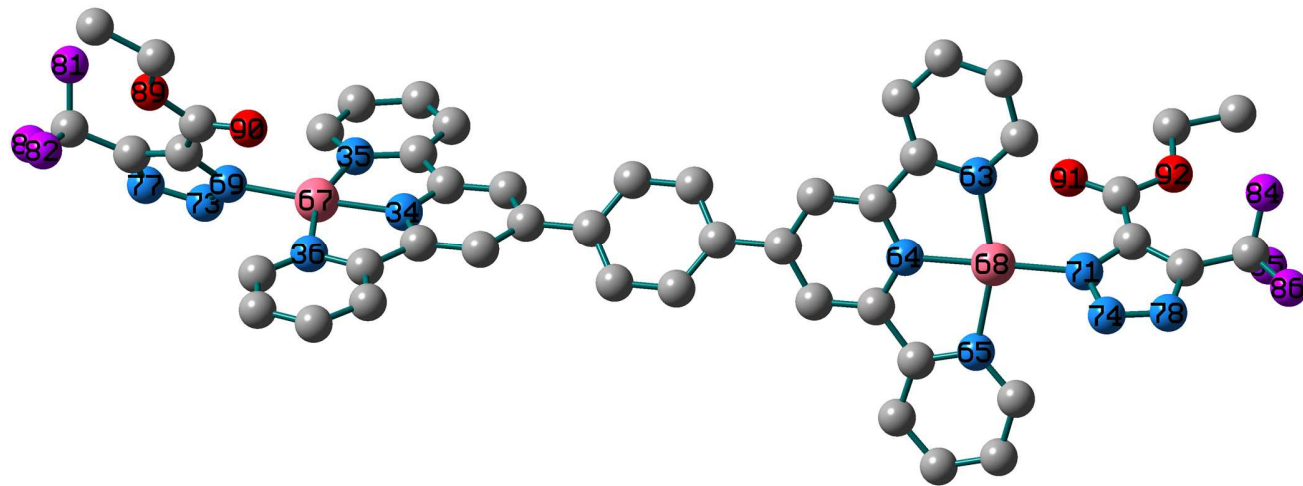
**Table S1** Corrected energies values of Pd(II) and Pt(II) triazolate bound isomers (**5** and **6**).

	N1	N2	N3
<b>• 5</b>			
Electronic Energy (EE)	-2679.336996	-2679.196433	-2679.330052
Zero-point Energy Correction	0.643316	0.638885	0.643157
Thermal Correction to Energy	0.690310	0.679139	0.690140
Thermal Correction to Enthalpy	0.691254	0.680083	0.691084
Thermal Correction to Free Energy	0.553438	0.563539	0.553476
EE + Zero-point Energy	-2678.693680	-2678.557548	-2678.686896
EE + Thermal Energy Correction	-2678.646686	-2678.517294	-2678.639913
EE + Thermal Enthalpy Correction	-2678.645742	-2678.516350	-2678.638969
EE + Thermal Free Energy Correction	-2678.783558	-2678.632894	-2678.776576
Imaginary frequencies	0	10	0
<b>• 6</b>			
Electronic Energy (EE)	-3659.266939	-3659.272574	-3659.241110
Zero-point Energy Correction	0.769904	0.771597	0.769330
Thermal Correction to Energy	0.832047	0.833372	0.831495
Thermal Correction to Enthalpy	0.832992	0.834316	0.832439
Thermal Correction to Free Energy	0.661075	0.663870	0.660585
EE + Zero-point Energy	-3658.497035	-3658.500978	-3658.471780
EE + Thermal Energy Correction	-3658.434891	-3658.439203	-3658.409615
EE + Thermal Enthalpy Correction	-3658.433947	-3658.438258	-3658.408671
EE + Thermal Free Energy Correction	-3658.605864	-3658.608705	-3658.580525
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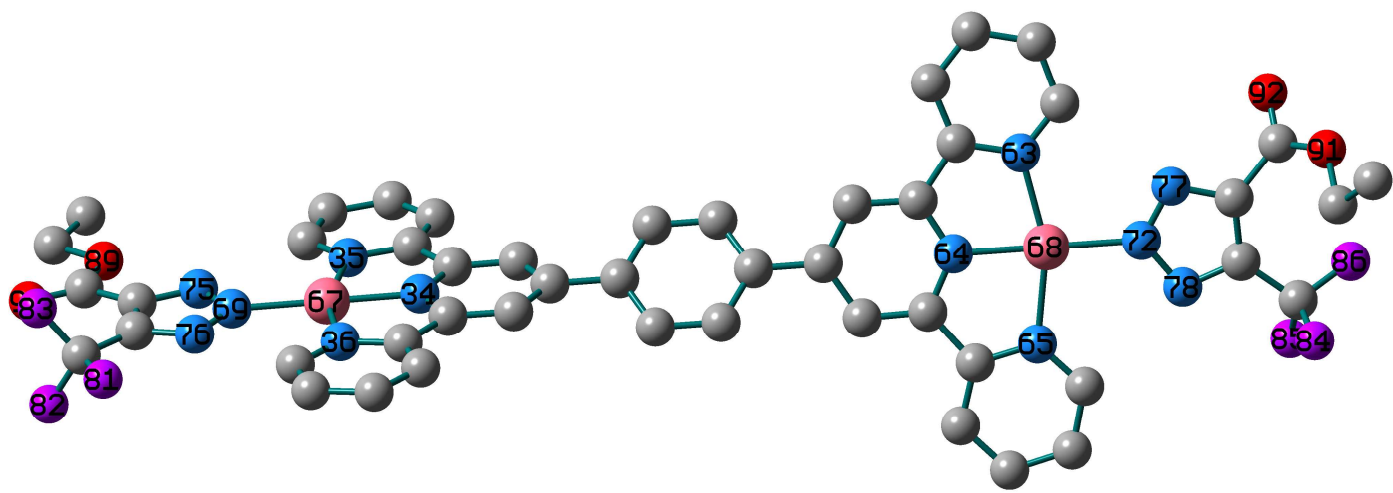
**Table S2** calculated bond lengths of the Pd(II) triazolate isomers (N1, N2 and N3).

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N1	N2	N3
Pd-N34 = 1.97462	Pd-N34 = 1.98458	Pd-N34 = 1.97570
Pd-N35 = 2.06841	Pd-N35 = 2.09047	Pd-N35 = 2.07218
Pd-N36 = 2.07493	Pd-N36 = 2.09454	Pd-N36 = 2.07551
Pd-N69 = 2.02709	Pd-N69 = 2.02863	Pd-N69 = 2.03211
Pd-N63 = 2.07532	Pd-N63 = 2.09568	Pd-N63 = 2.06878
Pd-N64 = 1.97436	Pd-N64 = 1.98393	Pd-N64 = 1.97459
Pd-N65 = 2.06805	Pd-N65 = 2.08859	Pd-N65 = 2.07743
Pd-N71 = 2.02641	Pd-N72 = 2.03216	Pd-N71 = 2.03473
N69-N73 = 1.37872	N69-N75 = 1.35856	N69-N73 = 1.38611
N73-N77 = 1.35490	N69-N76 = 1.35956	N73-N77 = 1.34699
C20...N73 = 3.23423	C20...N75 = 2.94835	C20...N73 = 3.15394
N34-Pd-N35 = 80.4	N34-Pd-N35 = 79.9	N34-Pd-N35 = 80.3
N34-Pd-N36 = 80.2	N34-Pd-N36 = 79.8	N34-Pd-N36 = 80.3
N34-Pd-N69 = 177.6	N34-Pd-N69 = 179.8	N34-Pd-N69 = 177.0
N35-Pd-N36 = 160.2	N35-Pd-N36 = 159.6	N35-Pd-N36 = 160.3
N35-Pd-N69 = 98.2	N35-Pd-N69 = 100.0	N35-Pd-N69 = 98.3
N36-Pd-N69 = 101.2	N36-Pd-N69 = 100.3	N36-Pd-N69 = 101.1
N63-Pd-N64 = 80.2	N63-Pd-N64 = 79.8	N63-Pd-N64 = 80.4
N64-Pd-N65 = 80.4	N64-Pd-N65 = 79.9	N64-Pd-N65 = 80.3
N64-Pd-N71 = 177.4	N64-Pd-N71 = 179.8	N64-Pd-N71 = 176.2
N63-Pd-N65 = 160.2	N63-Pd-N65 = 159.6	N63-Pd-N65 = 160.3
N63-Pd-N71 = 101.2	N63-Pd-N72 = 100.2	N63-Pd-N71 = 98.7
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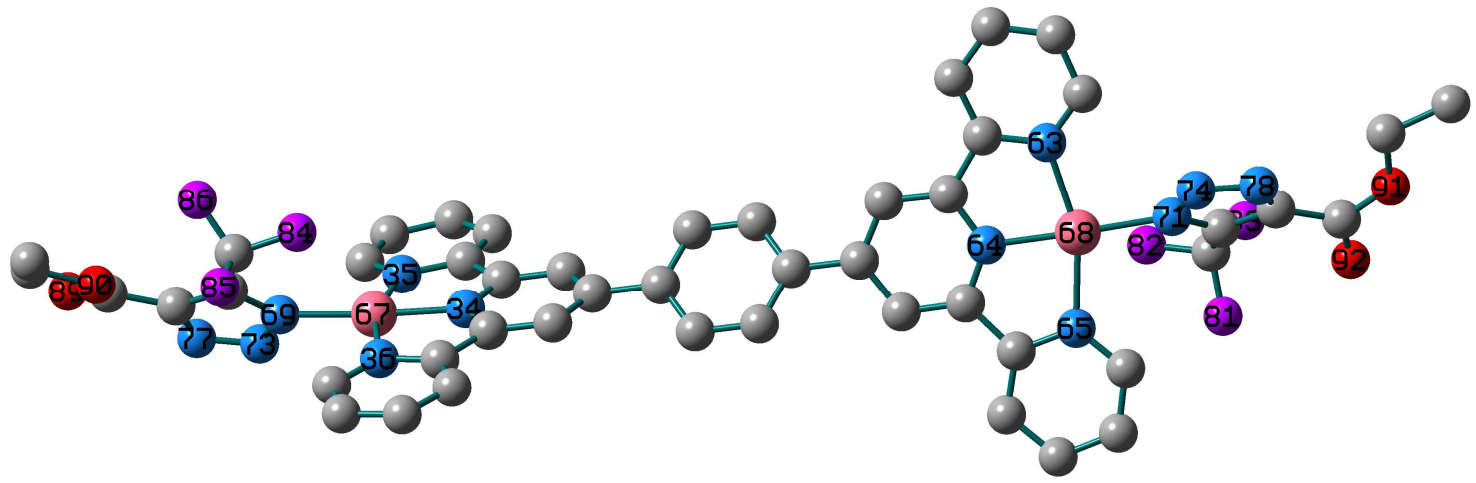
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**N1-isomer**



**N2-isomer**

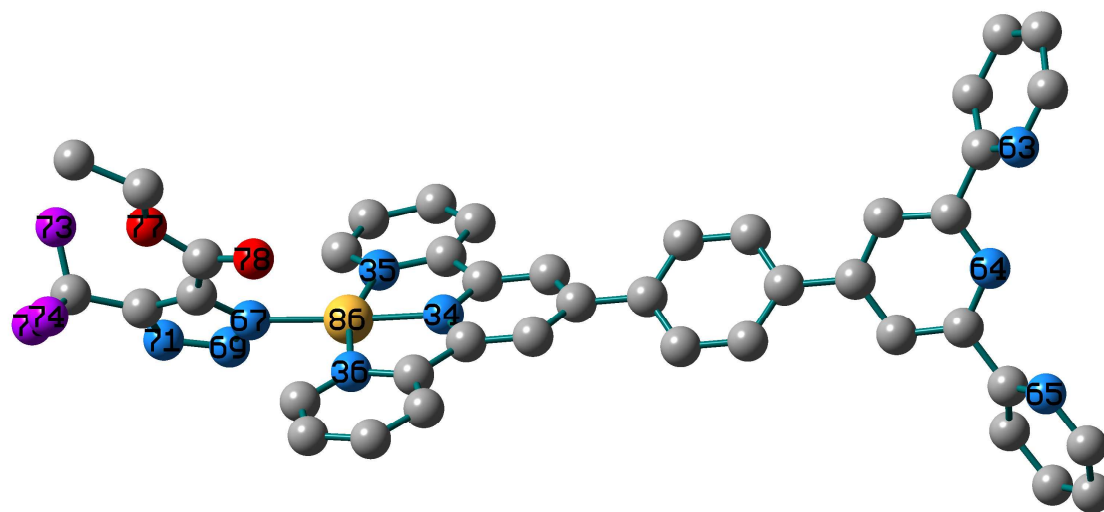


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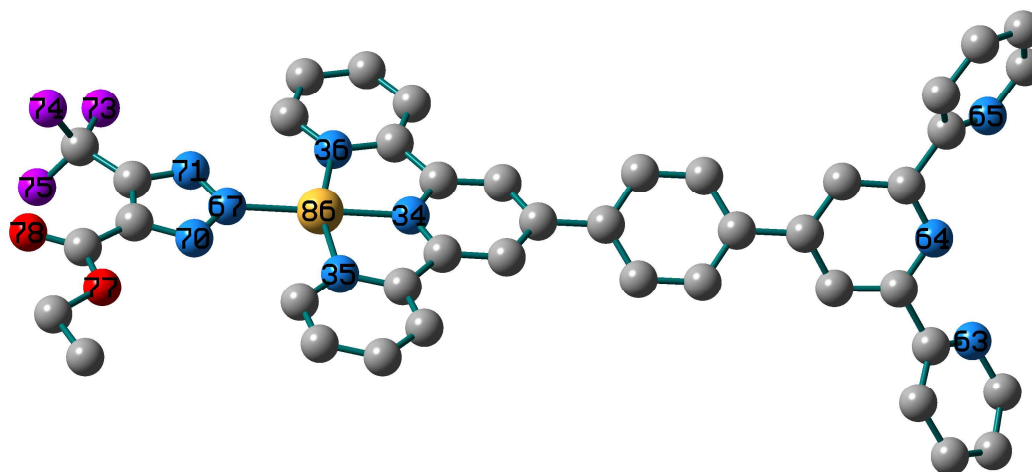
**Table S3** calculated bond lengths of the Pt(II) triazolate isomers (N1, N2 and N3).

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N1	N2	N3
Pt–N34 = 1.96947	Pt–N34 = 1.97758	Pt–N34 = 1.96990
Pt–N35 = 2.05598	Pt–N35 = 2.07729	Pt–N35 = 2.05829
Pt–N36 = 2.05472	Pt–N36 = 2.07918	Pt–N36 = 2.05763
Pt–N67 = 2.03856	Pt–N67 = 2.03320	Pt–N67 = 2.04240
N67–N69 = 1.38645	N67–N70 = 1.36070	N67–N69 = 1.39375
N69–N71 = 1.35034	N67–N71 = 1.36270	N69–N71 = 1.34447
C20...N69 = 3.19623	C20...N70 = 2.94163	C20...N69 = 3.30979
N34–Pt–N35 = 80.6	N34–Pt–N35 = 80.0	N34–Pt–N35 = 80.5
N34–Pt–N36 = 80.4	N34–Pt–N36 = 80.0	N34–Pt–N36 = 80.5
N35–Pt–N67 = 98.0	N35–Pt–N67 = 99.8	N35–Pt–N67 = 98.4
N36–Pt–N67 = 101.0	N36–Pt–N67 = 100.1	N36–Pt–N67 = 100.7
N34–Pt–N67 = 177.6	N34–Pt–N67 = 179.8	N34–Pt–N67 = 176.8
N35–Pt–N36 = 160.8	N35–Pt–N36 = 160.0	N35–Pt–N36 = 160.7

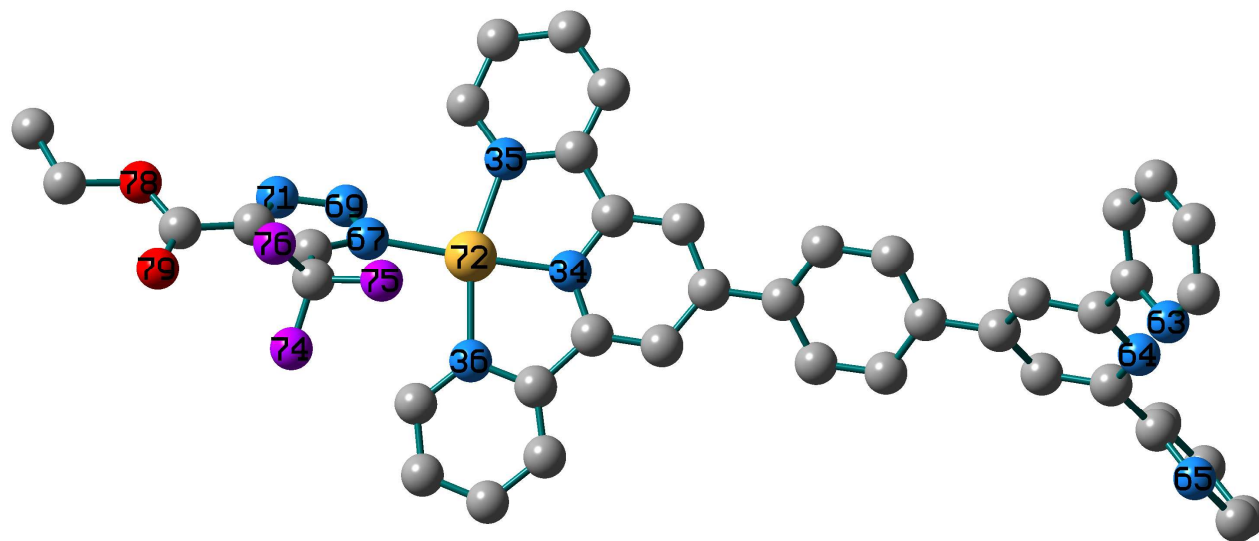
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**N1-isomer**



**N2-isomer**

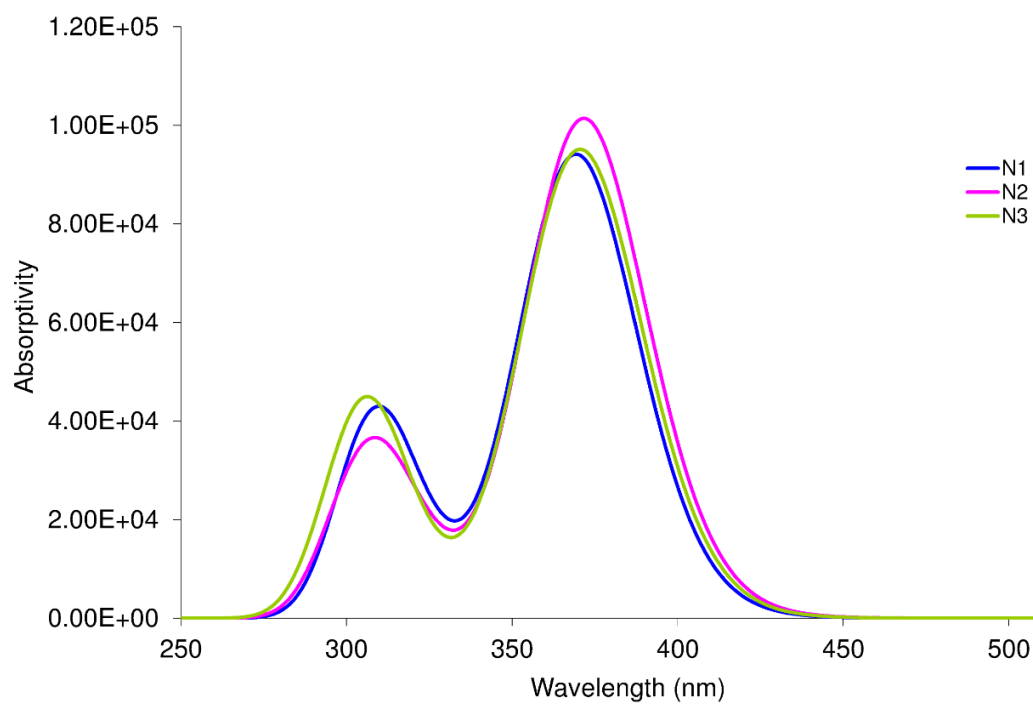


N3-isomer

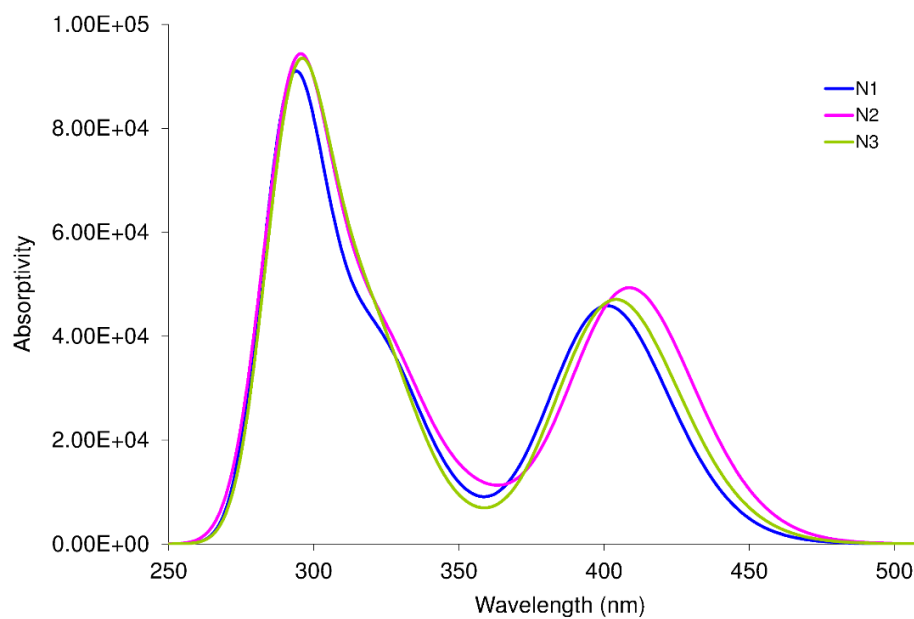
**Table S4:** The electronic configuration of the metal center (Pd or Pt) of the triazolate isomers (N1, N2 and N3), its 4d (or 5d) electronic distribution and the natural atomic charge

	Occupancies of 4d or 5d orbitals					natural charge of metal center	electronic arrangement of metal center (Pd or Pt)
	$d_{xy}$	$d_{xz}$	$d_{yz}$	$d_{x^2-y^2}$	$d_{z^2}$		
• 5							
N1	1.94494	1.95223	1.90568	1.64607	1.34579	0.68498	[Kr]5s <sup>0.31</sup> 4d <sup>8.79</sup> 5p <sup>0.22</sup> 5d <sup>0.01</sup>
	1.96439	1.93930	1.80233	1.18047	1.90757	0.68575	[Kr]5s <sup>0.31</sup> 4d <sup>8.79</sup> 5p <sup>0.22</sup> 5d <sup>0.01</sup>
N2	1.97206	1.94229	1.85229	1.10805	1.92903	0.68069	[Kr]5s <sup>0.32</sup> 4d <sup>8.80</sup> 5p <sup>0.20</sup> 5d <sup>0.01</sup>
	1.95252	1.96486	1.74671	1.47997	1.65949	0.68299	[Kr]5s <sup>0.32</sup> 4d <sup>8.80</sup> 5p <sup>0.20</sup> 5d <sup>0.01</sup>
N3	1.93959	1.94465	1.79695	1.20524	1.90079	0.69165	[Kr]5s <sup>0.30</sup> 4d <sup>8.79</sup> 5p <sup>0.22</sup> 5d <sup>0.01</sup>
	1.95916	1.95146	1.73449	1.39017	1.75174	0.69155	[Kr]5s <sup>0.30</sup> 4d <sup>8.79</sup> 5p <sup>0.22</sup> 5d <sup>0.01</sup>
• 6							
N1	1.91865	1.93822	1.66505	1.41819	1.65163	0.71638	[Xe]6s <sup>0.47</sup> 5d <sup>8.59</sup> 6p <sup>0.22</sup> 6d <sup>0.02</sup>
N2	1.94685	1.89800	1.80598	1.05430	1.88533	0.73683	[Xe]6s <sup>0.47</sup> 5d <sup>8.59</sup> 6p <sup>0.20</sup> 6d <sup>0.01</sup>
N3	1.93263	1.92642	1.68693	1.21879	1.83169	0.70854	[Xe]6s <sup>0.47</sup> 5d <sup>8.60</sup> 6p <sup>0.22</sup> 6d <sup>0.02</sup>





**Fig. S31** TDDFT spectrum of the triazolite isomers of **5** calculated at B3LYP/LANL2DZ level of theory using PCM solvation model.



**Fig. S32** TDDFT spectrum of the triazolite isomers of **6** calculated at B3LYP/LANL2DZ level of theory using PCM solvation model.

<b>Table S5</b> Computed excitation energies (eV), electronic transition configurations and oscillator strengths ( $f$ ) of rhenium(I) compounds (selected, $f > 0.001$ ) (Selected)			
Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Wavelength (nm)	$f$	Major contributions
● Pd(II) triazolate isomers			
✓ <b>N1</b>			
27040	369	1.2152	HOMO→LUMO (94%)
32137	311	0.1118	HOMO-3→LUMO (23%)
32656	306	0.1615	HOMO-4→LUMO+1 (58%)
✓ <b>N2</b>			
26835	372	1.2845	HOMO→LUMO (92%)
28163	355	0.0816	HOMO-2→LUMO (68%)
31914	313	0.0342	HOMO-1→LUMO (29%), HOMO-1→LUMO+1 (37%)
32327	309	0.1331	HOMO-8→LUMO (37%), HOMO-1→LUMO+1 (32%)
✓ <b>N3</b>			
26991	370	1.0199	HOMO→LUMO (74%)
28223	354	0.0645	HOMO-3→LUMO (40%)
32690	305	0.2082	HOMO-9→LUMO (21%), HOMO-3→LUMO+1 (33%)
● Pt(II) triazolate isomers			
✓ <b>N1</b>			
24954	400	0.6288	HOMO→LUMO (93%)
28638	349	0.0272	HOMO-9→LUMO (36%), HOMO-4→LUMO (39%)
30813	324	0.2778	HOMO-10→LUMO (78%)
32694	305	0.0663	HOMO-9→L+1 (49%), HOMO-4→LUMO+1 (22%)
34117	293	0.8383	HOMO→LUMO+3 (69%)
✓ <b>N2</b>			
24479	408	0.673	HOMO→LUMO (92%)
27990	357	0.0905	HOMO-7→LUMO (57%)
30378	329	0.0626	HOMO-9→LUMO (72%)
30617	326	0.2639	HOMO-10→LUMO (70%),
31576	316	0.1009	HOMO-8→LUMO (49%), HOMO-4→LUMO+7 (23%)
31900	313	0.0541	HOMO-7→LUMO+1 (61%)
32522	307	0.1003	HOMO-6→LUMO+1 (47%), HOMO-4→LUMO+7 (35%)
33897	295	0.6919	HOMO→LUMO+2 (52%)
✓ <b>N3</b>			

24795	403	0.6226	HOMO→LUMO (88%)
25860	386	0.0014	HOMO-6→LUMO (92%)
26776	373	0.0048	HOMO-1→LUMO (98%)
28385	352	0.0076	HOMO-9→LUMO (22%), HOMO-3→LUMO (60%)
28753	347	0.022	HOMO-9→LUMO (22%), HOMO-4→LUMO+1 (30%)
29311	341	0.0135	HOMO-5→LUMO (61%)
30883	323	0.2503	HOMO-10→LUMO (72%)
33907	294	0.9382	HOMO→LUMO+2 (84%)