## Supporting Information

## Asymmetric \& Zwitterionic Blatter Diradicals

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## 1. Methods and Materials

All reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich, Alfa, Acros and Adamas and used as received. Flash column chromatography was performed with Haiyang silica gel (200-300 mesh). Solvent toluene was freshly distilled from $\mathrm{CaH}_{2}$ under $\mathrm{N}_{2}$. All reaction mixtures and column eluents were monitored by TLC using commercial Huanghai glass plates (HSGF 254, $2.5 \times 8 \mathrm{~cm}$ ). The plates were visualized under UV radiation at 254 and $365 \mathrm{~nm} .{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AV III HD 400 MHz . ESR measurements were carried out on a Bruker EMX plus Xband spectrometer with 9.8 GHz microwave frequency. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured on a Waters-Q-TOF-Premier (ESI). Single Crystal X-Ray Diffraction were measured by a Gemini X-ray Single Crystal Diffractometer. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) measurements were performed on NETZSCH TG 209F1 Iris thermal gravimetric analyzer. Cyclic voltammograms were measured on a Shanghai Chenhua CHI 660E electrochemical workstation in dry DCM with 0.1 M tetrabutylammonium hexafluorophosphate ( $\mathrm{TBAPF}_{6}$ ) as the supporting electrolyte at a scan rate of $100 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{s}$ at room temperature under the protection of nitrogen. A gold disk was used as working electrode, platinum wire was used as counter electrode, and $\mathrm{Ag} / \mathrm{AgCl}$ (3 M KCl solution) was used as reference electrode. The potential was externally calibrated after each experiment, against the ferrocene/ferrocenium couple.

SQUID measurements were carried out on a Quantum Design (MPMS-SQUID VSM-094). Magnetic susceptibility of powder samples was measured in a polycarbonate capsule fitted in a plastic straw as a function of temperature in heating ( $2 \mathrm{~K}-300 \mathrm{~K}$ ) mode with 30 seconds of temperature stability at each temperature ( 1 K increment in a range $2-10 \mathrm{~K}, 3 \mathrm{~K}$ increment in a range $10-300 \mathrm{~K}$,) at 1.0 T using a SQUID magnetometer. The data was corrected for both sample diamagnetism (Pascal's constants) and the diamagnetism of the sample holder (polycarbonate capsule). The singlet-triplet energy gap was estimated by fitting the I*T vs. T curve with modified Bleaney-Bowers equation ${ }^{1,2}$.

All calculations were performed with the Gaussian 16 program suite ${ }^{3}$ using the density functional theory (DFT) with M06-2X exchange-correlational functionals ${ }^{4}$ and employing the $6-311 \mathrm{G}(\mathrm{d}, \mathrm{p})$ basis set ${ }^{5-7}$ for all atoms. Full geometry optimizations were carried out at the M06-2X/6-311G(d,p) level, and the obtained stationary points were characterized by frequency calculations. The spin
density distribution and electrostatic potential surface were illustrated using Multiwfn ${ }^{8}$ and VMD $^{9}$.

The diradical character $y_{0}$ is calculated by Yamaguchi's equation based natural orbital analysis for the optimized singlet geometry:
$y_{0}=1-\left(2 \mathrm{~T} /\left(1+\mathrm{T}^{2}\right)\right)$
where T is represented by calculating the occupation numbers of natural orbitals:
$\mathrm{T}=(\mathrm{nHONO}-\mathrm{nLUNO}) / 2$
A molecule with $y_{0}=0$ implies a closed-shell structure, whereas a molecule with $y_{0}=1$ indicates a pure diradical structure ${ }^{10-11}$. Any intermediate value of $y_{0}$ refers to diradical structures. The $\Delta E_{\mathrm{ST}}$ were calculated using zero-point vibrational energy correct singlet-triplet energy gaps.

## 2. Detailed synthetic procedures

Compound pBP: 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-(4,4,5, 5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenol $\mathrm{mg}, 0.20 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 7 -iodobenzotriazinyl ( $41 \mathrm{mg}, 0.10 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(31.8 \mathrm{mg}, 0.30 \mathrm{mmol})$, and $\left(\mathrm{Pd}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2}, 2.3 \mathrm{mg}, 0.01 \mathrm{mmol}\right)$ were dissolved in toluene and water $(15 \mathrm{~mL}, 3 \mathrm{~mL})$ under nitrogen and then the reaction mixture was heated to reflux for one hour. Then, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, washed with water, and extracted with DCM. The organic phases were dried and concentrated under reduced pressure. The organic solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography $\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{2}\right.$ passivated with $1 \% \mathrm{Et}_{3} \mathrm{~N}$, hexanes: $\mathrm{DCM}=1: 1, \mathrm{Rf}$ value of 0.5 ) and give compound $\mathbf{p B P}$ as a brownish solid ( $30 \mathrm{mg}, 62 \%$ yield). Compound $\mathbf{p B P}$ is NMR silent. Thus, ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra are not given. HR-MS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{27} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}$ : 487.2624; found, 488.2641 $\left([\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}\right)$. m.p. $164-165^{\circ} \mathrm{C} . \operatorname{IR}(\mathrm{FTIR}): 3064,1560,1528,1513,1493,1384,1307,1278,1094$, 1036, 861, 829, 685, 619, $525 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

Compound 1: 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenol ( 332 mg , 1.0 mmol ), 3-bromoaniline ( $344 \mathrm{mg}, 2.0 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}$ ( $222 \mathrm{mg}, 2.0 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), and Tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium $(0)\left(\mathrm{Pd}_{( }\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)_{4}, 11.2 \mathrm{mg}, 0.05 \mathrm{mmol}\right)$ were dissolved in toluene and water ( $10 \mathrm{~mL} / 2 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) under nitrogen and then the reaction mixture was heated to reflux for 12 hours. Then, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, washed with water, and extracted with DCM. The organic phases were dried and removed under reduced pressure, then the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes: $\mathrm{DCM}=1: 1, \mathrm{Rf}$ value of 0.4 ) and give compound 1 as a brownish solid ( $181 \mathrm{mg}, 61 \%$ yield). ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta(\mathrm{ppm}) 7.37(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.21(\mathrm{t}, J=8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.97(\mathrm{~d}, J=8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.68\left(\mathrm{dd}, J_{l}=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right)$, $5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.49(\mathrm{~s}, 18 \mathrm{H}) .13 \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CD}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}\right): \delta(\mathrm{ppm}) 153.7,145.9,143.8,136.2$, 132.8, 129.8, 124.2, 118.4, 114.4, 113.9, 34.7, 30.6. HR-MS (ESI): $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{NO}$ : 297.2091; found, $298.2170\left([\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}\right)$.

Compound mBP: compound $\mathbf{1}(297 \mathrm{mg}, 1.0 \mathrm{mmol})$, ( $\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{Z}$ )- N '-phenylbenzohydrazonoyl chloride ( $253 \mathrm{mg}, 1.1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), and triethylamine ( $151 \mathrm{mg}, 1.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) were dissolved in toluene under nitrogen and then the reaction mixture was reacted at room temperature for 12 hours with white
precipitate appeared. Then, the reaction mixture was filtered. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure, then the residue was treated with $\mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}(1.6 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ and 1,8 -Diazabicycloundec-7-ene (DBU) ( 0.5 mL ) in DCM. The reaction mixture was stirred in air at room temperature until a new brown precipitate appeared. This precipitate was filtered and purified by silica gel column chromatography $\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{2}\right.$ passivated with $1 \% \mathrm{Et}_{3} \mathrm{~N}$, hexanes: $\mathrm{DCM}=1: 1, \mathrm{Rf}$ value of 0.6$)$ and give compound $\mathbf{m B P}$ as a brownish solid ( $136 \mathrm{mg}, 27 \%$ yield). Compound $\mathbf{m B P}$ is NMR silent. Thus, ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra are not given. HR-MS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}: 487.2624$; found, $488.2641\left([\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}\right)$. m.p. $178-179^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. IR (FTIR): 3064, 1260, 1095, 1021, $801 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

## 3. ESR spectra

Simulations of ESR spectra were performed with the Easyspin program in Matlab ${ }^{12}$.


Figure S1. Fitted $I^{*}$ T-T curve for $\mathbf{m B P}(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b})$ and $\mathbf{p B P}(\mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d})$ based on the VT ESR data measured in powder; I: integrated intensity; T : temperature. And $\chi$ vs T and $1 / \chi$ vs T curves for $\mathbf{m B P}(\mathrm{e}, \mathrm{f})$ and $\mathbf{p B P}(\mathrm{g}, \mathrm{h})$.


Figure S2. Fitted $I^{*}$ T-T curve for $\mathbf{m B P}$ (a) and $\mathbf{p B P}$ (b) based on the VT-ESR data measured by dilute solid solution (benzoquinone glassy matrices with conc. 0.1 mM ).; I: integrated intensity; T: temperature. And Magnetic susceptibilities $(\chi \mathrm{T})$ versus T curve from the SQUID measurements for $\mathbf{m B P}$ (c) and $\mathbf{p B P}$ (d) in dilute solid solution (benzoquinone glassy matrices with conc. 40 mM ).

The magnetic properties of both compounds were measured in dilute solid solution (benzoquinone glassy matrices for ESR and SQUID) as shown in Figure S2. We used benzoquinone instead of polystyrene in SQUID measurement due to keeping the same conditions for both experiments. From the fitting of this curve with the Bleaney-Bowers equation, the energy difference between the singlet $\left(E_{\mathrm{S}}\right)$ and triplet states $\left(E_{\mathrm{T}}\right), \Delta E_{\mathrm{ST}}$, was estimated to $-1.10 /-1.08$ and $-1.07 /-1.07 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$ for ESR/SQUID, respectively. In comparsion with powder result, the $\Delta E_{\mathrm{ST}}$
values do not change much and also suggest the ground state of these moleucles are singlet groud state.

## 4. Low temperature absorption spectra



Figure S3. UV-Vis-NIR electronic absorption spectra of mBP (a) and $\mathbf{p B P}$ (b) in 2-MeTHF as a function of the temperature.

## 5. Electrochemical properties

Cyclic voltammetry was performed to investigate electrochemical properties of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$ in dichloromethane (DCM) (Figure S4). Both exhibited three reversible reduction and oxidation waves with half-wave potential displayed in Table S1. The energy levels of the HOMO and LUMO were determined to be -4.37 and -3.51 eV for $\mathbf{m B P},-4.34$ and -3.62 eV for $\mathbf{~ p B P}$, respectively, from the onset potentials of the oxidation and reduction waves. Thus, a low electrochemical energy gap $\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{g}}{ }^{\mathrm{EC}}\right)$ of 0.86 and 0.72 eV was determined for $\mathbf{~ m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$, which was consistent with their optical energy gaps $\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{g}}{ }^{\mathrm{Opt}}=0.95\right.$ and 1.09 eV$)$. Moreover, the thermostability of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$ was investigate by thermo-gravimetric analysis (TGA), and as shown in Figure S5d, mBP is more stable than $\mathbf{~ P B P}$, as the mass of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$ began to loss at 140 and $190^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, respectively.

Table S1. Photophysical and electrochemical data of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$.

|  | $E_{1 / 2}{ }^{\mathrm{ox}}$ <br> 1 | $E_{1 / 2}{ }_{2}{ }_{2}$ <br> $(\mathrm{~V})$ | $E_{1 / 2}{ }^{\mathrm{ox}}{ }_{3}$ <br> $(\mathrm{~V})$ | $E_{1 / 2}{ }^{\text {red }}{ }_{1}$ <br> $(\mathrm{~V})$ | $E_{1 / 2} \mathrm{red}_{2}$ <br> $(\mathrm{~V})$ | $E_{1 / 2}{ }^{\mathrm{red}}{ }_{3}$ <br> $(\mathrm{~V})$ | HOMO <br> $(\mathrm{eV})$ | LUMO <br> $(\mathrm{eV})$ | $E_{\mathrm{g}}{ }^{\mathrm{EC}}$ <br> $(\mathrm{eV})$ | $E_{\mathrm{g}}^{\mathrm{opt}}$ <br> $(\mathrm{eV})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| pBP | -0.56 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.15 | -1.33 | -1.56 | -4.34 | -3.62 | 0.72 | 1.09 |
| mBP | -0.64 | -0.50 | -0.11 | -1.22 | -1.54 | -1.74 | -4.37 | -3.51 | 0.86 | 0.95 |

Definitions: $\lambda_{\text {abs }}$, absorption maxima measured in DCM ; $\varepsilon_{\max }$ is molar extinction coefficient measured at absorption maximum; $\mathrm{E}_{1 / 2}{ }^{\mathrm{ox}}$ and $\mathrm{E}_{1 / 2}{ }^{\text {red }}$ are the half-wave potentials for respective oxidation and reduction waves with $\mathrm{Fc} / \mathrm{Fc}^{+}$as reference. HOMO and LUMO energy levels were calculated according to the equations $\mathrm{HOMO}=-\left(4.8+\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{ox}}{ }^{\text {onset }}\right) \mathrm{eV}$ and $\mathrm{LUMO}=-\left(4.8+\mathrm{E}_{\text {red }}{ }^{\text {onset }}\right)$ eV , where $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{ox}}{ }^{\text {onset }}$ and $\mathrm{E}_{\text {red }}{ }^{\text {onset }}$ are the onset potentials of the first oxidative and reductive redox wave, respectively. $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{g}}{ }^{\mathrm{EC}}$ is the electrochemical energy gap derived from LUMO-HOMO, and $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{g}}{ }^{\mathrm{opt}}$ is the optical energy gap derived from the lowest energy absorption onset in the absorption spectrum.


Figure S4. a) Cyclic voltammogram of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$ in DCM with $0.1 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{Bu}_{4} \mathrm{NPF}_{6}$ as supporting electrolyte, $\mathrm{Ag} / \mathrm{AgCl}$ as the reference electrode, Au disk as the working electrode, Pt wire as the counter electrode, and the scan rate at $50 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{s} ; \mathrm{b}$ ) Thermogravimetric analysis of $\mathbf{m B P}$ and $\mathbf{p B P}$.


Figure S5. Electrostatic potential surface of $\mathbf{m B P}$ (e) and pBP (f) based on single crystal structure at the (u)m062x/6-311(d,p) level.
6. NMR, Masspectroscopy and Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectra


Figure S6. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$.


Figure S7. ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$


Figure S8. HR-Mass spectrum of 1.



Figure S9. HR-Mass spectrum of $\mathbf{m B P}$.


Figure S10. HR-Mass spectrum of pBP.


Figure S11. FT-IR spectra of $\mathbf{p B P}$ and $\mathbf{m B P}$.

## 7. X-ray single crystal data

Table S2. Sample and crystal data for mBP (CCDC Number: 2049604)

| Identification code | ABCZ7170 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chemical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}$ |  |
| Formula weight | $487.62 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$ |  |
| Temperature | 184(2) K |  |
| Wavelength | 1.54178 Å |  |
| Crystal size | $0.100 \times 0.100 \times 0.100 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Crystal system | monoclinic |  |
| Space group | P $121 / \mathrm{c} 1$ |  |
| Unit cell dimensions | $a=15.527(3) \AA$ | $\alpha=90^{\circ}$ |
|  | $b=10.1852(18) \AA$ | $\beta=108.352(7)^{\circ}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{c}=18.020(3) \AA$ | $\gamma=90^{\circ}$ |
| Volume | $2704.8(8) \AA^{3}$ |  |
| Z |  | 4 |
| Density (calculated) | $1.197 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{cm}^{3}$ |  |
| Absorption coefficient | $0.564 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |  |
| F(000) | 1040 |  |
| Final R indices | $3530 \text { data } ; \mathrm{I}>2 \sigma(\mathrm{I}) \quad \mathrm{R} 1=0.0487, \mathrm{wR} 2=$ |  |
|  | all data | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{R} 1=0.0693, \mathrm{wR} 2= \\ 0.1212 \end{gathered}$ |
| Weighting scheme | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{w}=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(\mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}\right)+\right. \\ \text { where } \mathrm{P} \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left..0429 \mathrm{P})^{2}+0.7931 \mathrm{P}\right] \\ & =\left(\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 \mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right) / 3 \end{aligned}$ |
| Absolute structure parameter | 0.00(3) |  |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.195 and $-0.183 \mathrm{e}^{-3}{ }^{-3}$ |  |
| R.M.S. deviation from mean | $0.041 \mathrm{e}^{\text {¢ }}{ }^{-3}$ |  |

Table S3. Data collection and structure refinement for mBP (CCDC Number: 2049604)

| Theta range for data collection | 3.00 to $66.52^{\circ}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Index ranges | $-18<=\mathrm{h}<=18,-12<=\mathrm{k}<=12,-19<=1<=21$ |
| Reflections collected | 16365 |
| Independent reflections | $4757[\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{int})=0.0500]$ |
| Coverage of independent reflections | $99.5 \%$ |
| Absorption correction | Multi-Scan |
| Max. and min. transmission | 0.9500 and 0.8000 |
| Structure solution technique | direct methods |
| Structure solution program | XT, VERSION 2018/2 |


| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Refinement program | SHELXL-2018/3 (Sheldrick, 2018) |
| Function minimized | $\Sigma \mathrm{w}\left(\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}-\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}$ |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 4757 / 0 / 340 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F2 | 1.045 |
| Final R indices | $3530 \text { data; } \mathrm{I}>2 \sigma(\mathrm{I}) \begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R} 1=0.0487, \mathrm{wR} 2= \\ & 0.1076 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { all data } & \mathrm{R} 1=0.0693, \text { wR2 }= \\ 0.1212 \end{array}$ |
| Weighting scheme | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{w}=1 /\left[\mathrm{\sigma}^{2}\left(\mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0429 \mathrm{P})^{2}+0.7931 \mathrm{P}\right] \\ & \text { where } \mathrm{P}=\left(\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 \mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \end{aligned}$ |
| Absolute structure parameter | 0.00(3) |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.195 and -0.183 e $\AA^{-3}$ |
| R.M.S. deviation from mean | $0.041 \mathrm{e}^{\AA}{ }^{-3}$ |

Table S4. Sample and crystal data for pBP (CCDC Number: 2049603)

| Identification code | $\mathrm{ABCZ7170}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chemical formula | $487.62 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$ |  |
| Formula weight | $184(2) \mathrm{K}$ |  |
| Temperature | $1.54178 \AA$ |  |
| Wavelength | $0.050 \times 0.100 \times 0.200 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Crystal size | orthorhombic |  |
| Crystal system | P n ma |  |
| Space group | $\mathrm{a}=27.4526(15) \AA$ | $\alpha=90^{\circ}$ |
| Unit cell dimensions | $\mathrm{b}=6.8462(4) \AA$ | $\beta=90^{\circ}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{c}=18.7535(12) \AA$ | $\gamma=90^{\circ}$ |
| Volume | $3524.6(4) \AA^{3}$ |  |
| $Z$ | 4 |  |
| Density (calculated) | $0.919 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{cm}^{3}$ |  |
| Absorption coefficient | $0.433 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |  |
| F(000) | 1040 |  |
| R.M.S. deviation from mean | $0.034 \mathrm{e}^{\AA-3}$ |  |

Table S5. Data collection and structure refinement for pBP (CCDC Number: 2049603)

| Theta range for data collection | 3.22 to $66.67^{\circ}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Index ranges | $-26<=\mathrm{h}<=32,-8<=\mathrm{k}<=8,-22<=\mathrm{l}<=15$ |
| Reflections collected | 13669 |
| Independent reflections | $3380[\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{int})=0.0489]$ |
| Coverage of independent reflections | $99.1 \%$ |
| Absorption correction | Multi-Scan |


| Max. and min. transmission | 0.7528 and 0.5892 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Structure solution technique | direct methods |
| Structure solution program | XT, VERSION 2018/2 |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on F2 |
| Refinement program | SHELXL-2018/3 (Sheldrick, 2018) |
| Function minimized | $\Sigma \mathrm{w}\left(\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}-\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}$ |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 3380 / 0 / 211 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F2 | 1.069 |
| $\Delta / \sigma$ max | 0.003 |
| Final R indices | $2234 \text { data; } \mathrm{I}>2 \sigma(\mathrm{I}) \quad \mathrm{R} 1=0.0558, \mathrm{wR} 2=$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { all data } & \mathrm{R} 1=0.0795, \mathrm{wR} 2= \\ 0.1828 \end{array}$ |
| Weighting scheme | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{w}=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(\mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0934 \mathrm{P})^{2}+0.1813 \mathrm{P}\right] \\ \text { where } \mathrm{P}=\left(\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 \mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \end{gathered}$ |
| Absolute structure parameter | 0.00(3) |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.151 and $-0.184 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$ |
| R.M.S. deviation from mean | $0.034 \mathrm{e}^{\text {e }}$ - ${ }^{-1}$ |

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13. Coordinates for calculated geometries ( $\AA$ )

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