

**Supporting information for**

**Fluorinated- and non-fluorinated-diarylamine-Zn(II) and Cu(II)  
Phthalocyanines as Symmetrical vs Asymmetrical Hole Selective  
Materials**

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## Characterization of phthalonitrile **1**

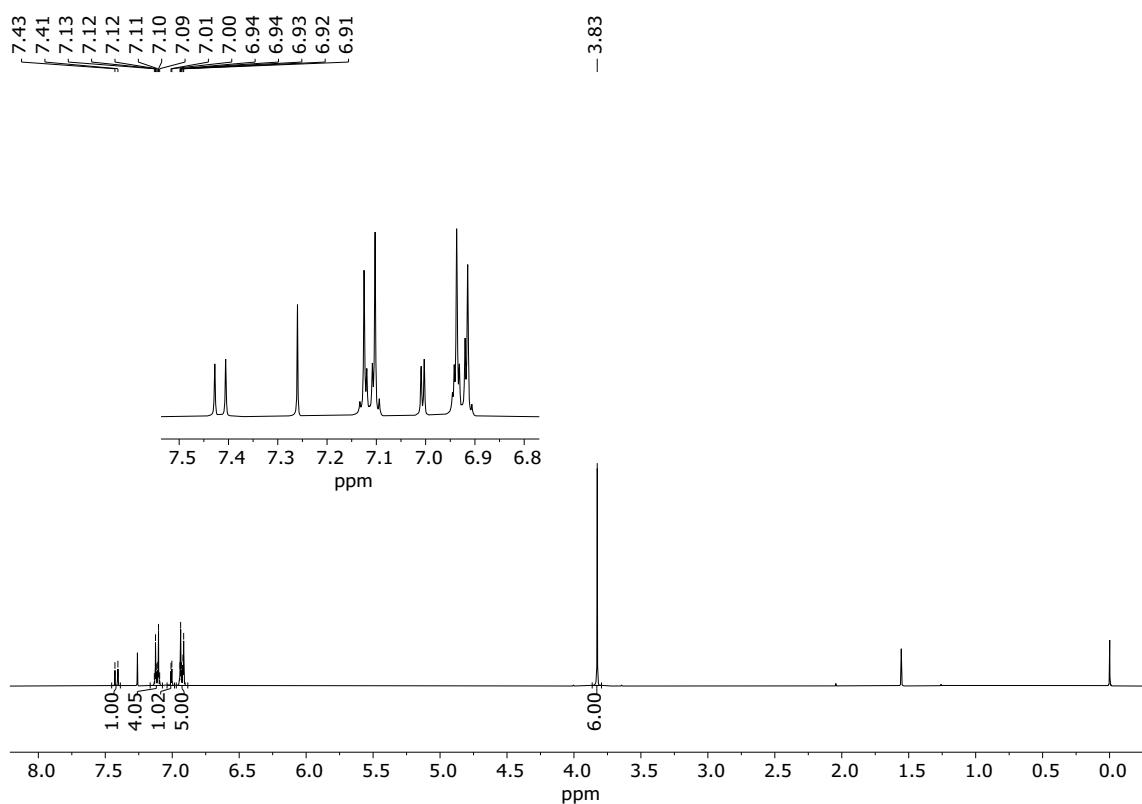


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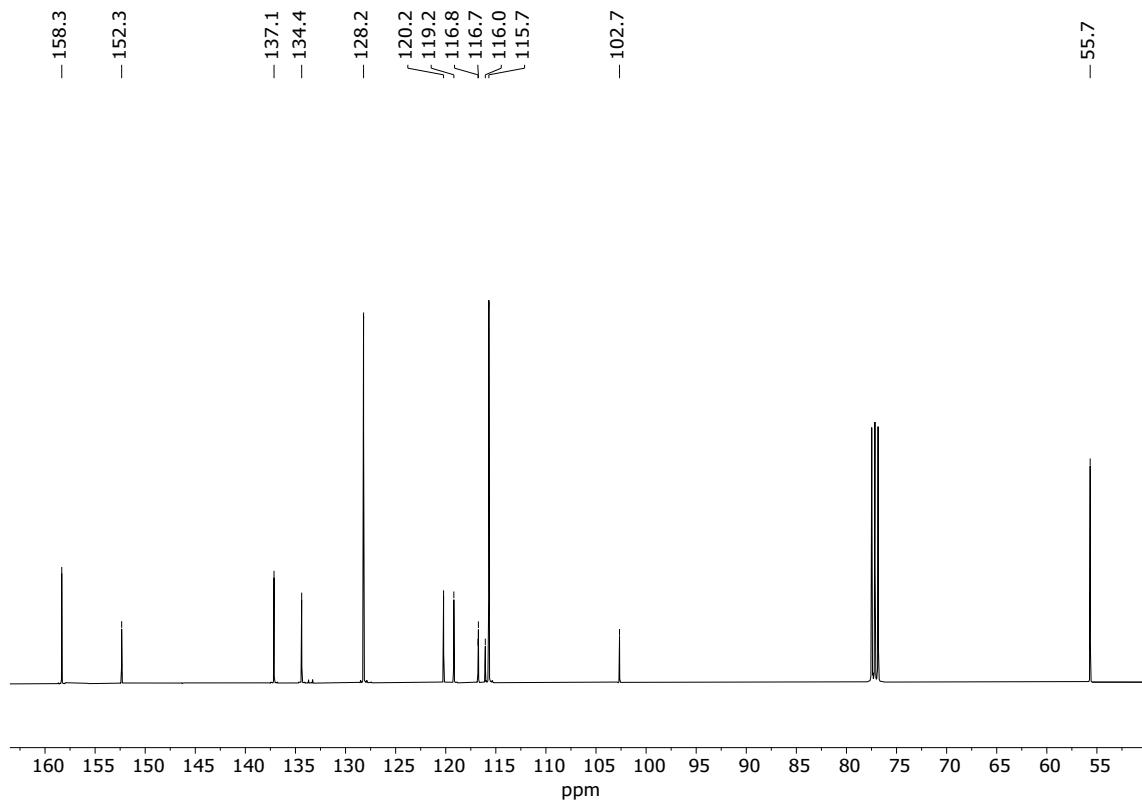


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## Characterization of phthalonitrile **2**

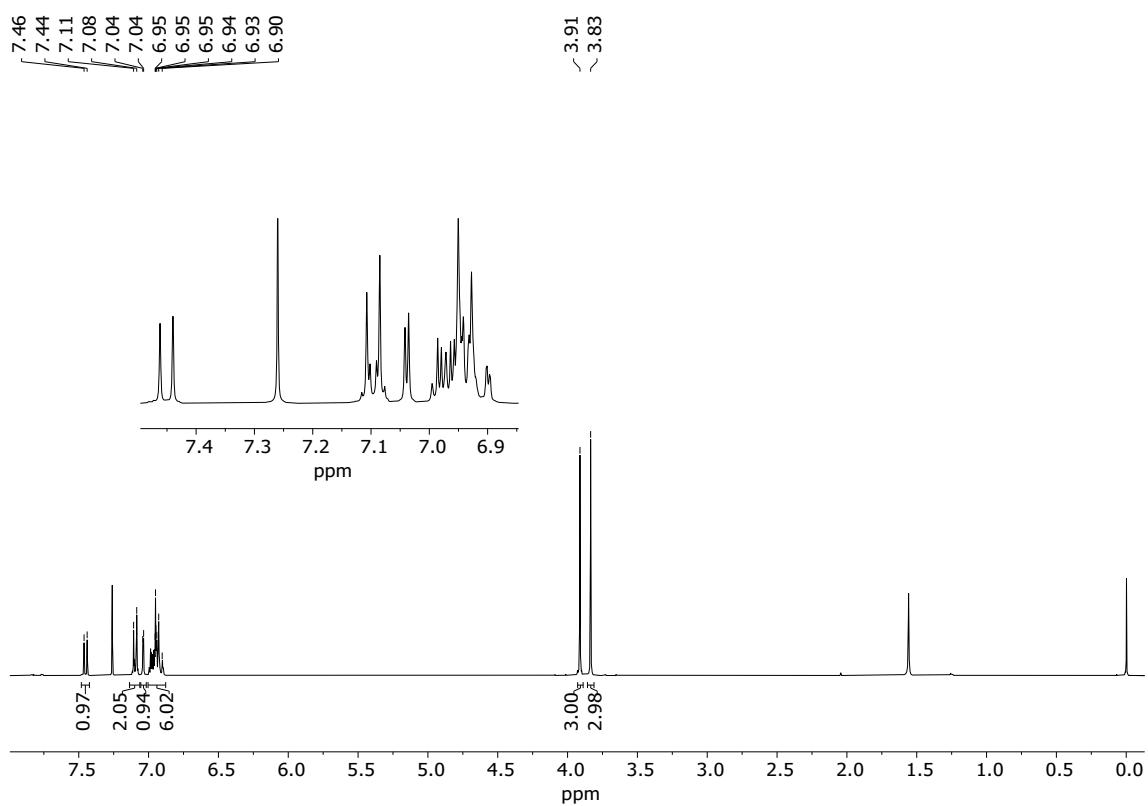


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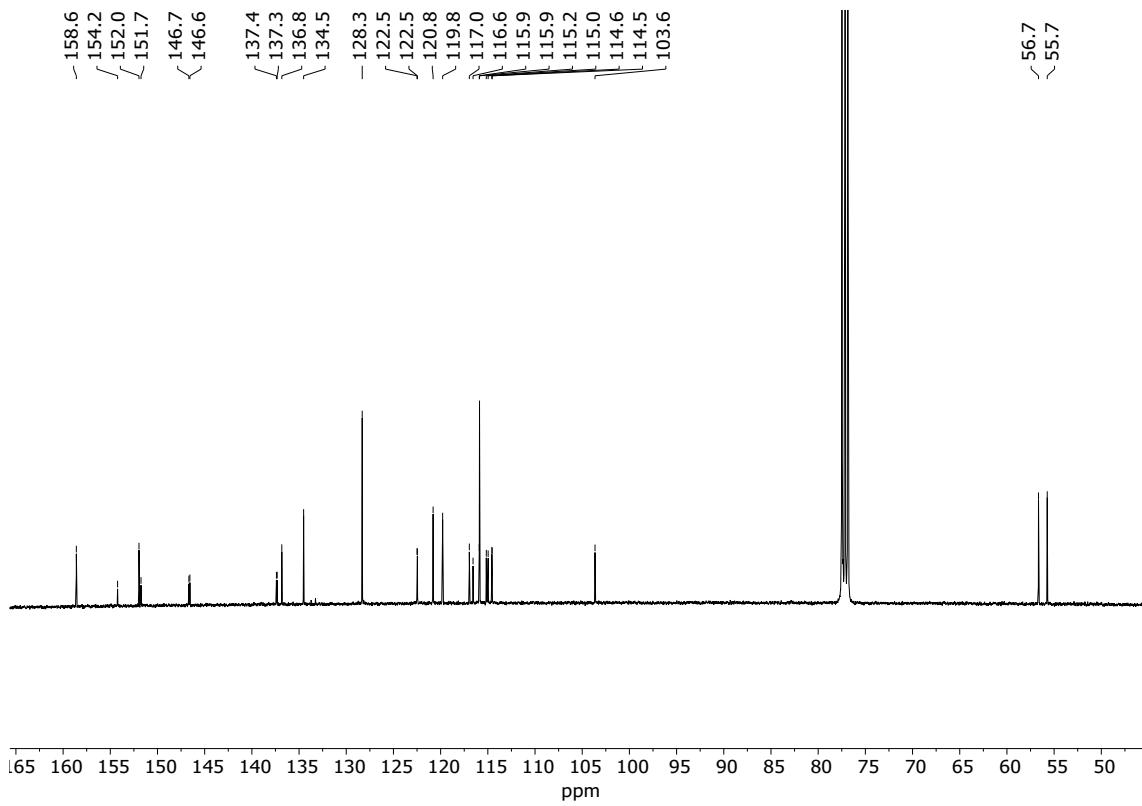
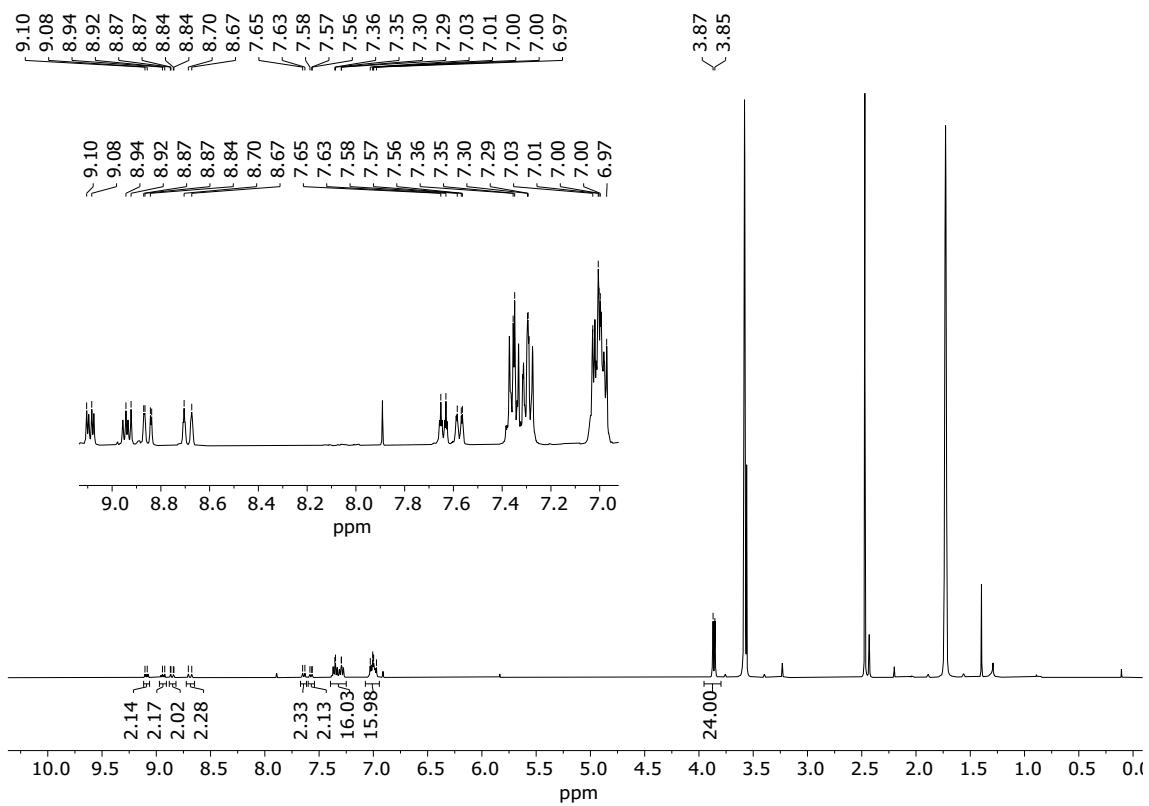
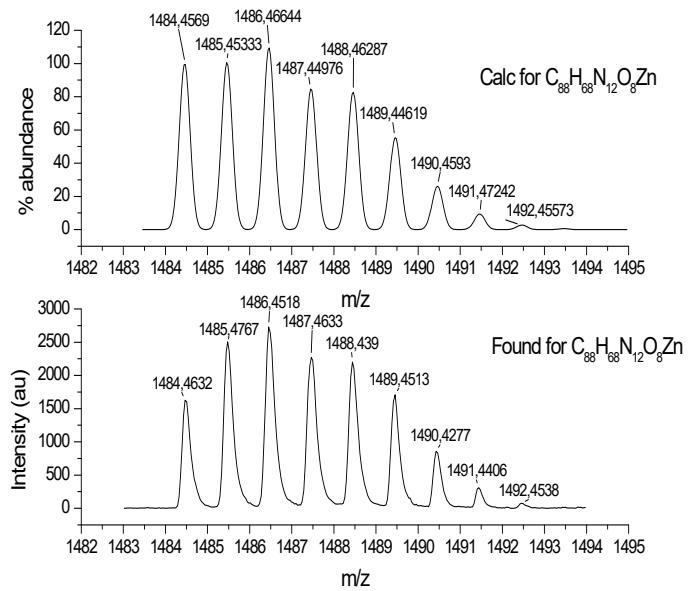


Figure S4. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **2** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

## Characterization of ZnPc-1



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*Figure S6.* HR-MALDI-TOF spectrum of ZnPc-1.

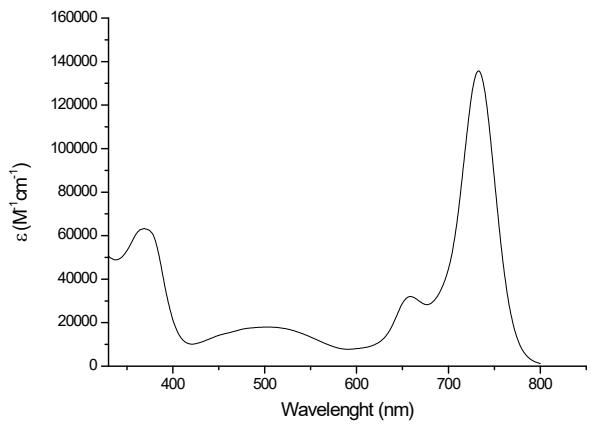


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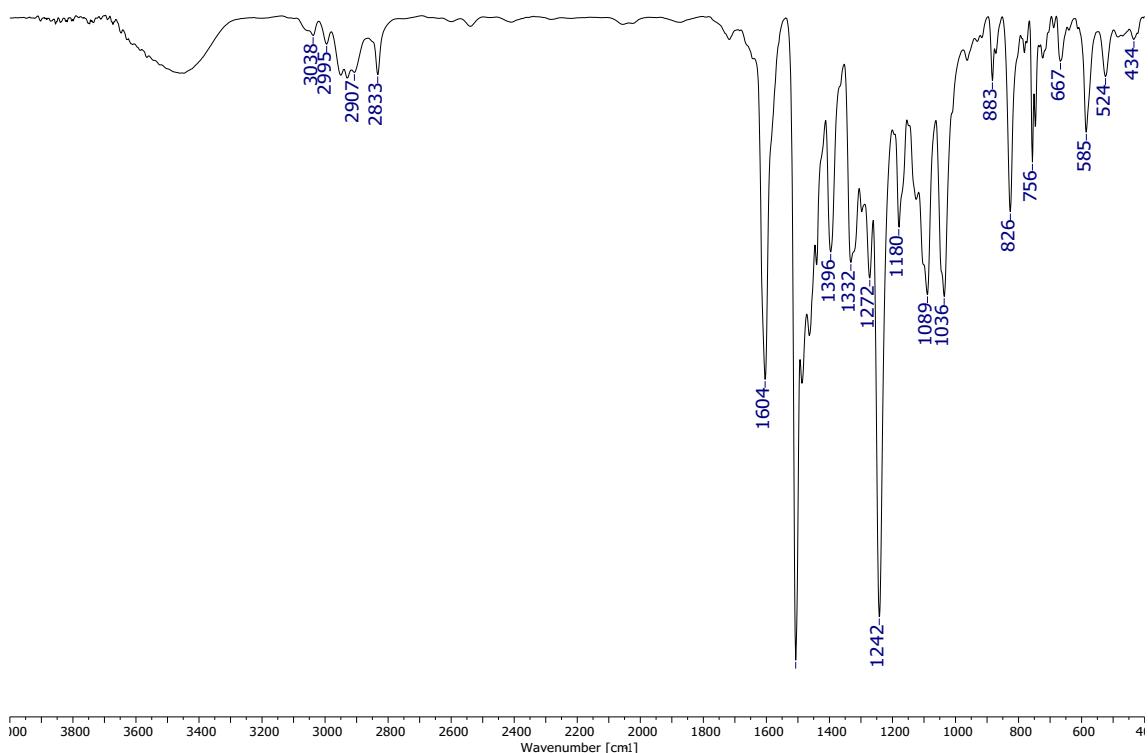


Figure S8. FT-IR of **ZnPc-1**.

## Characterization of ZnPc-2

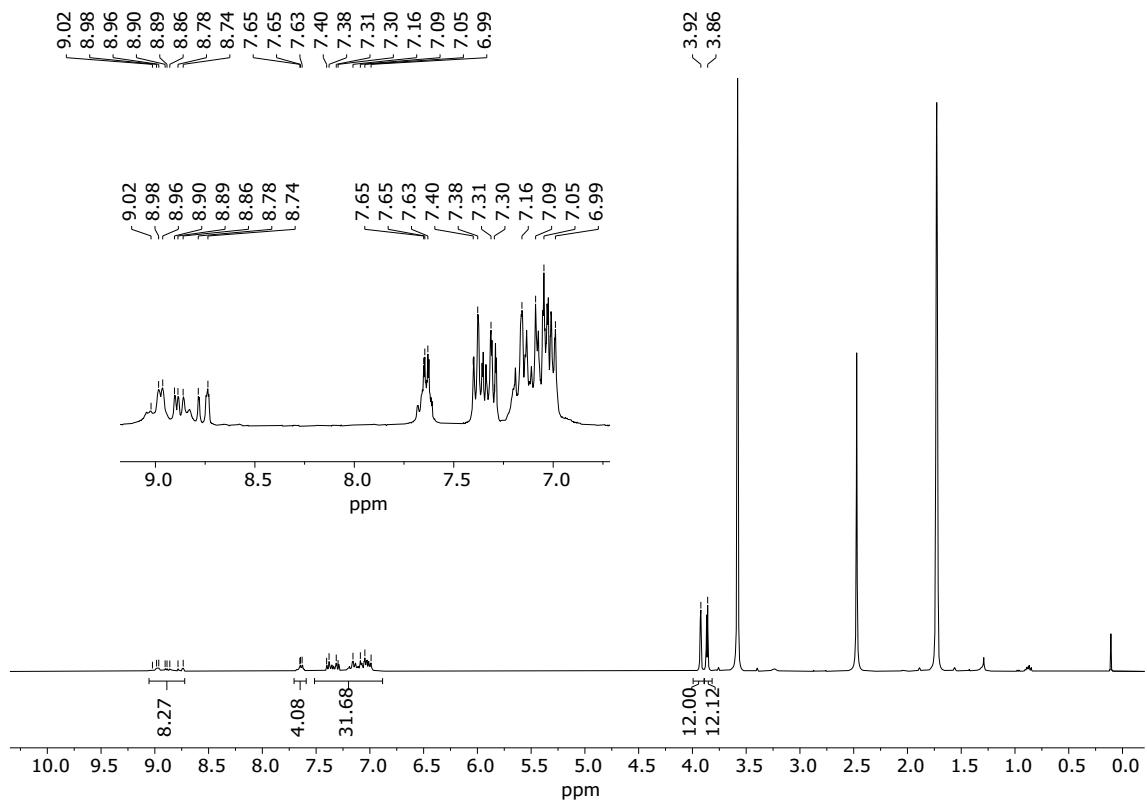


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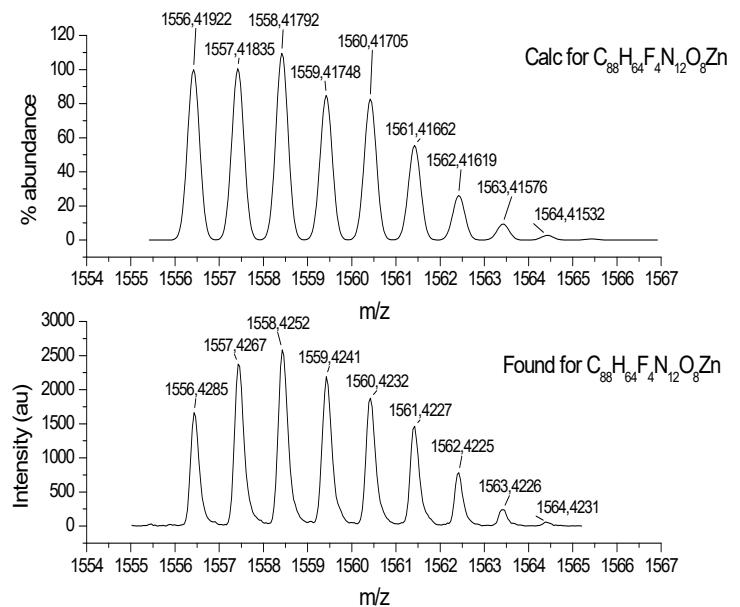


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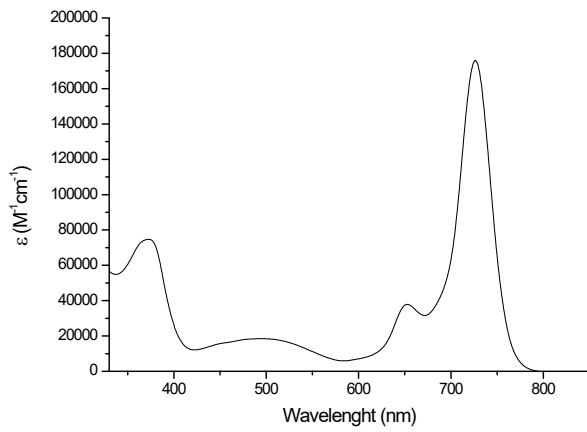


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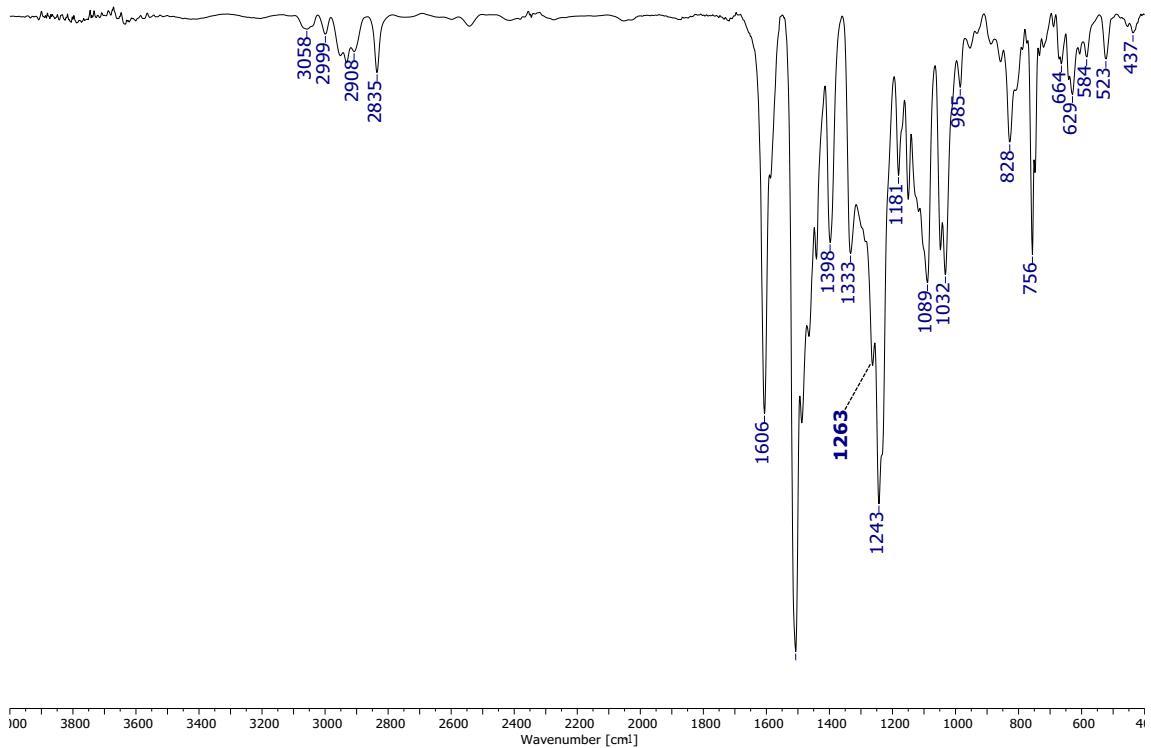


Figure S12. FT-IR of **ZnPc-2**.

## Characterization of CuPc-3

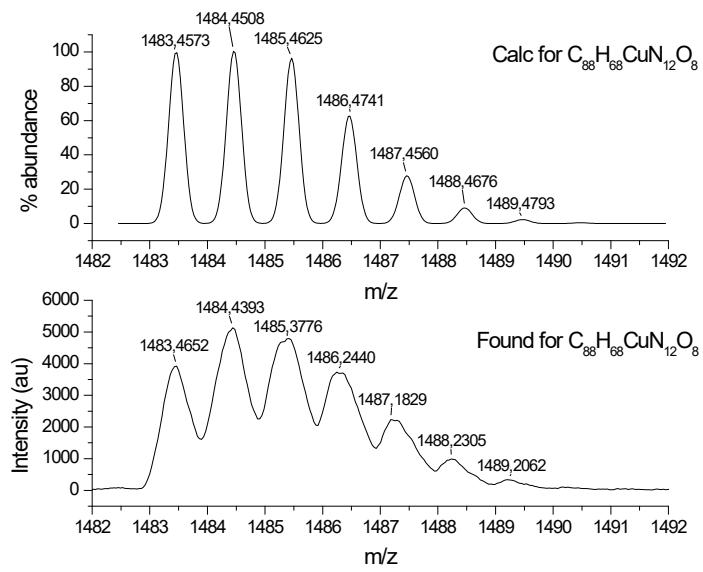


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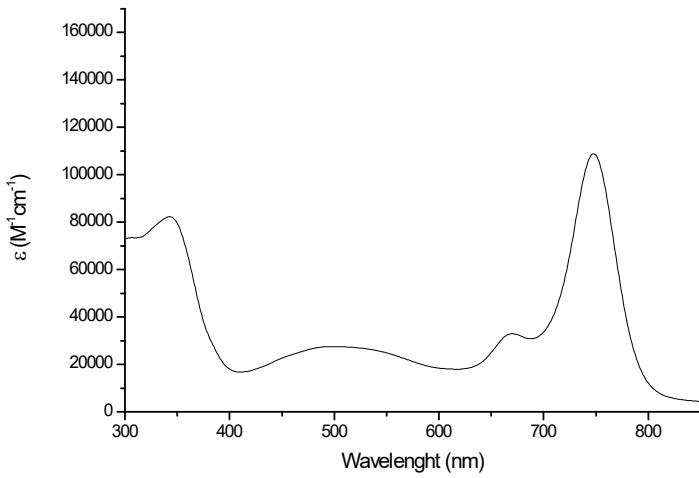


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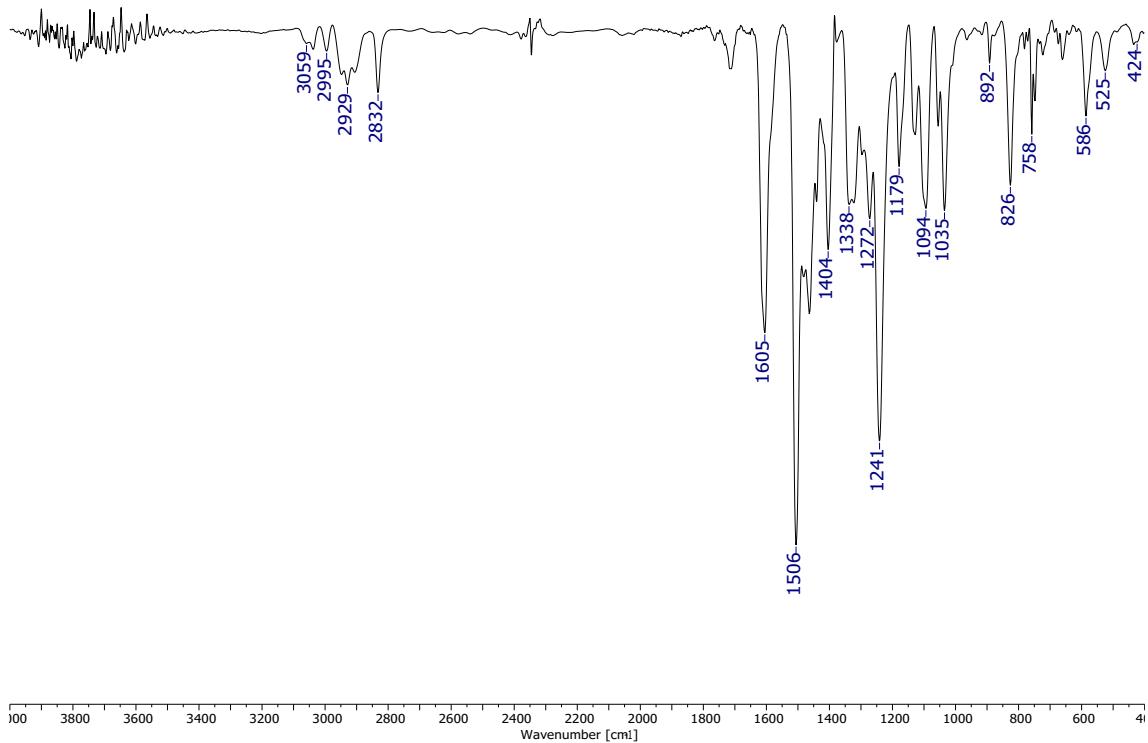


Figure S15. FT-IR of CuPc-3.

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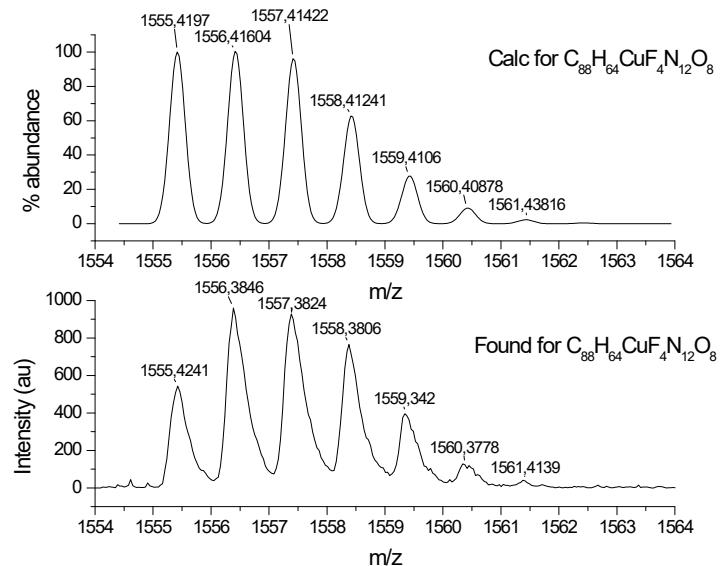


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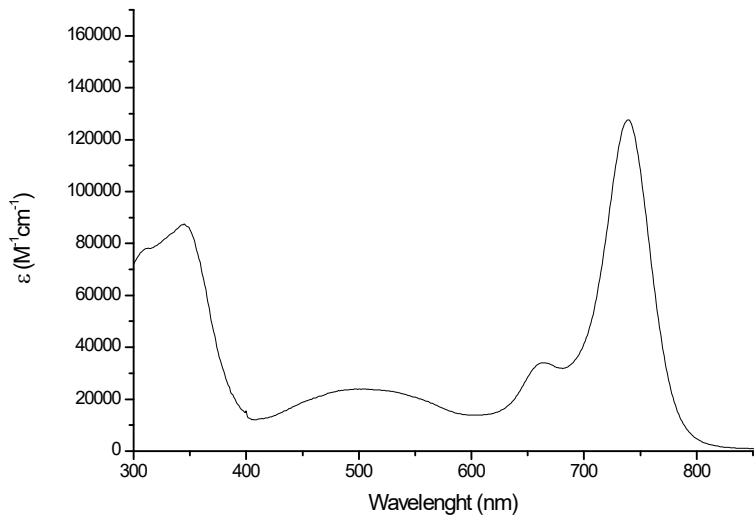


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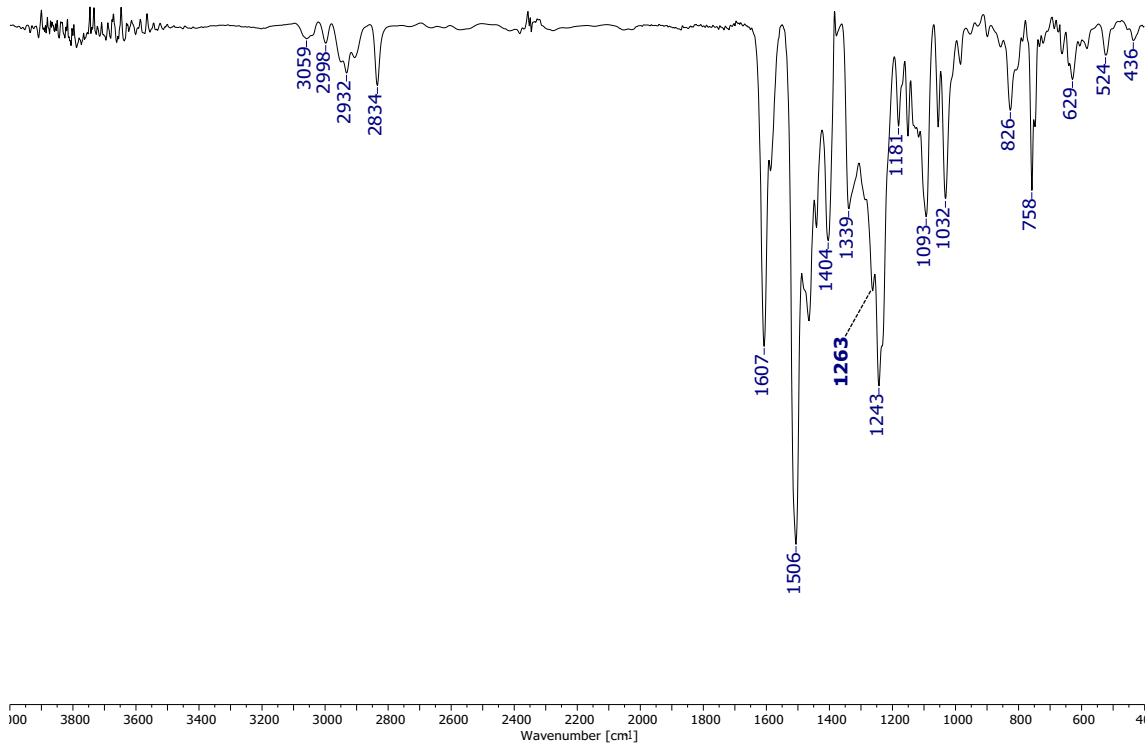
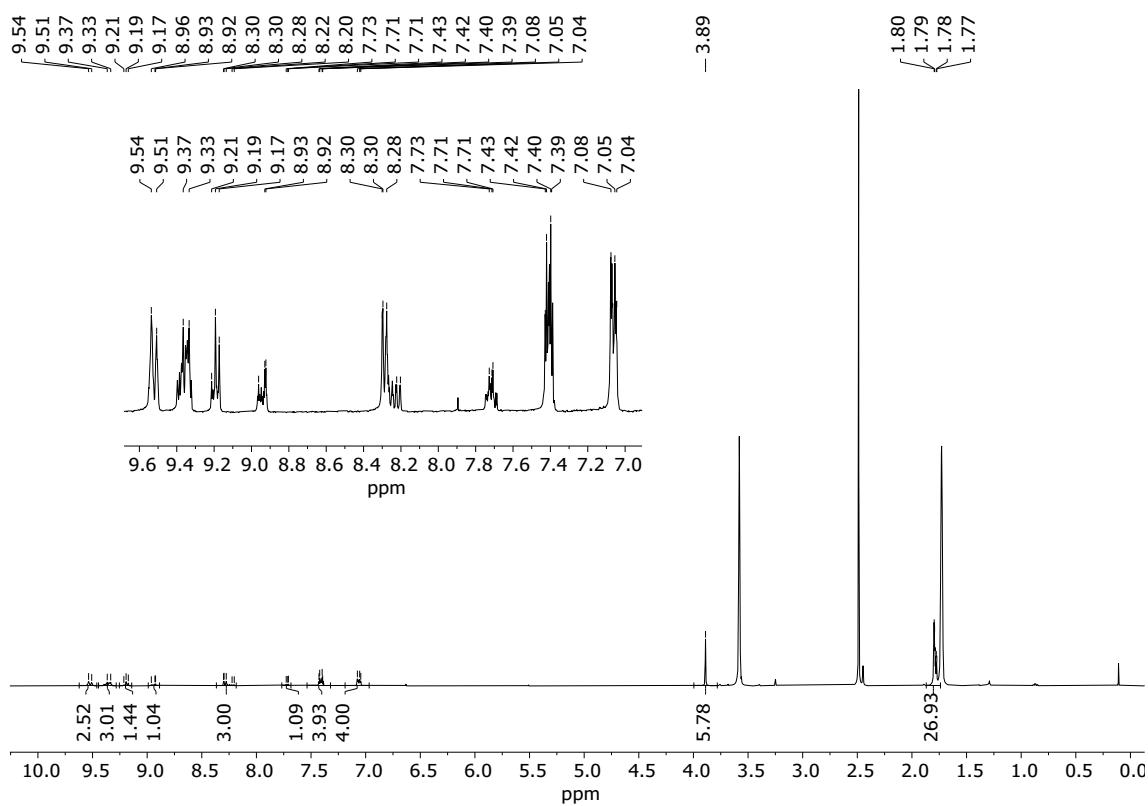
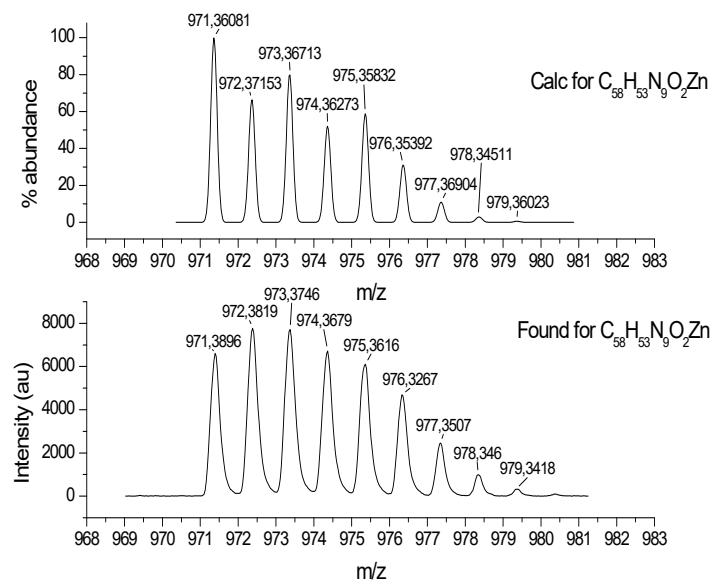


Figure S18. FT-IR of **CuPc-4**.

## Characterization of ZnPc-5



*Figure S19.*  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR of ZnPc-5 in THF- $d_8$ .



*Figure S20.* HR-MALDI-TOF spectrum of ZnPc-5.

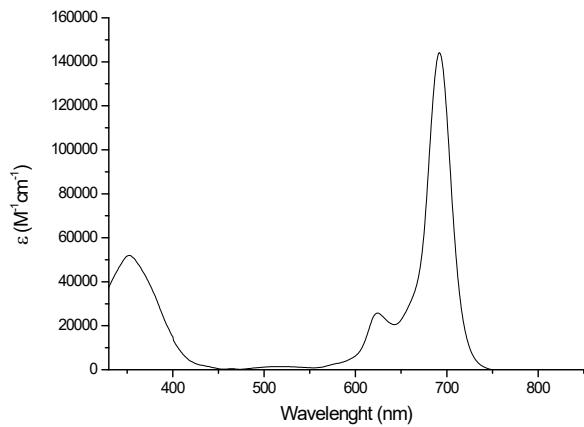


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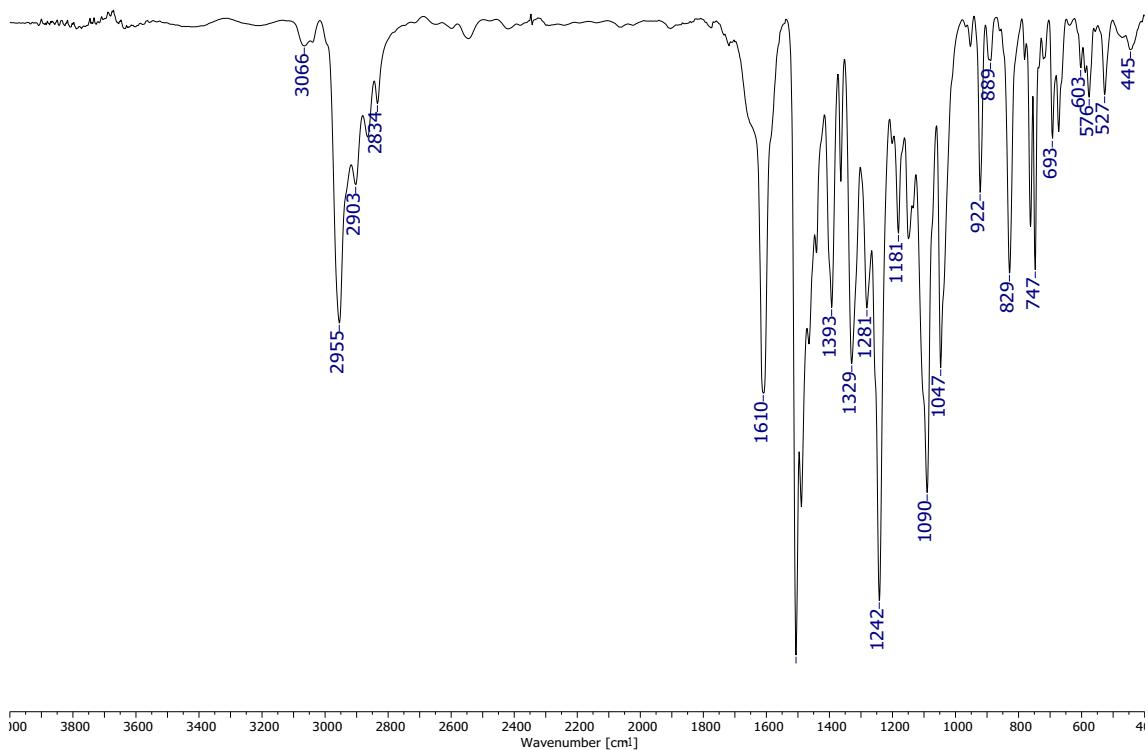


Figure S22. FT-IR of **ZnPc-5**.

## Characterization of ZnPc-6

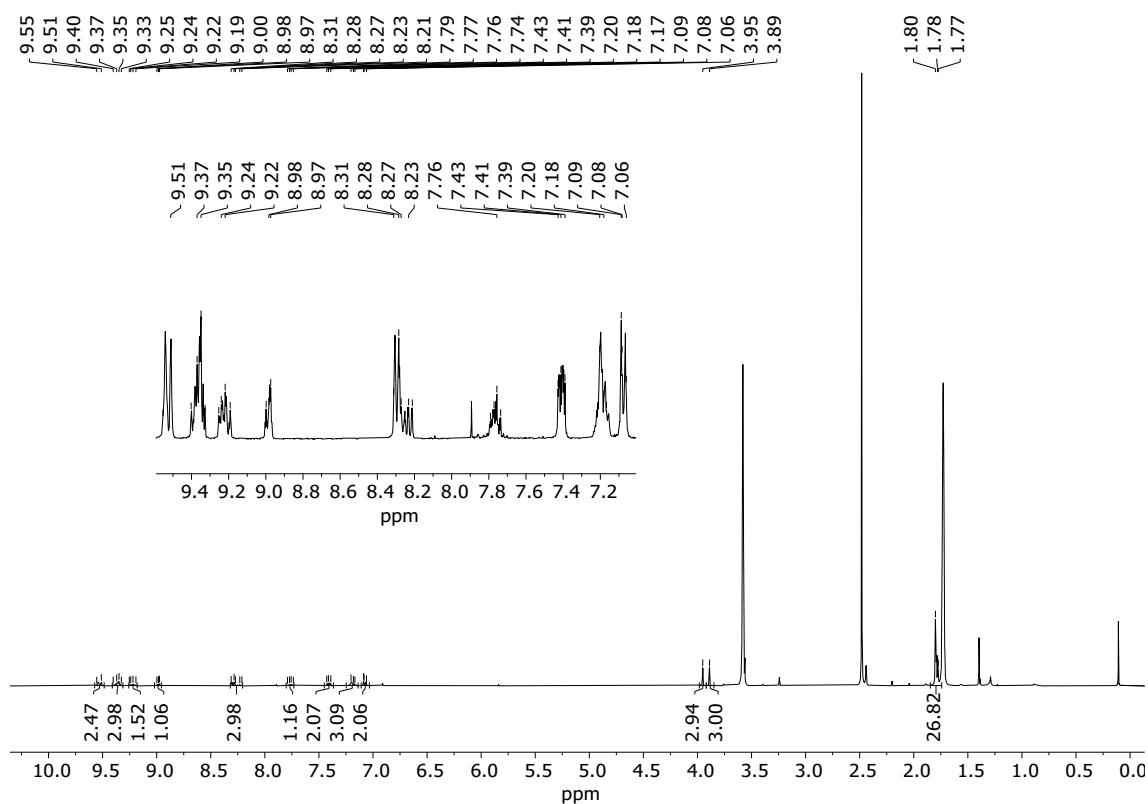


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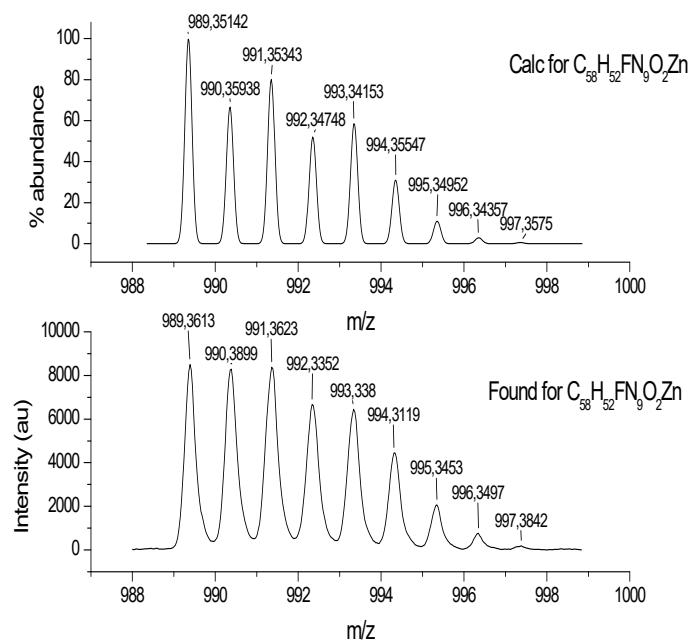


Figure S24. HR-MALDI-TOF spectrum of ZnPc-6.

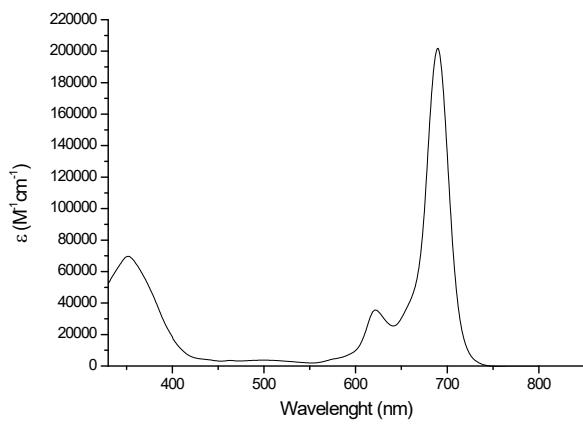


Figure S25. UV-vis absorption spectra of **ZnPc-6** in DMF.

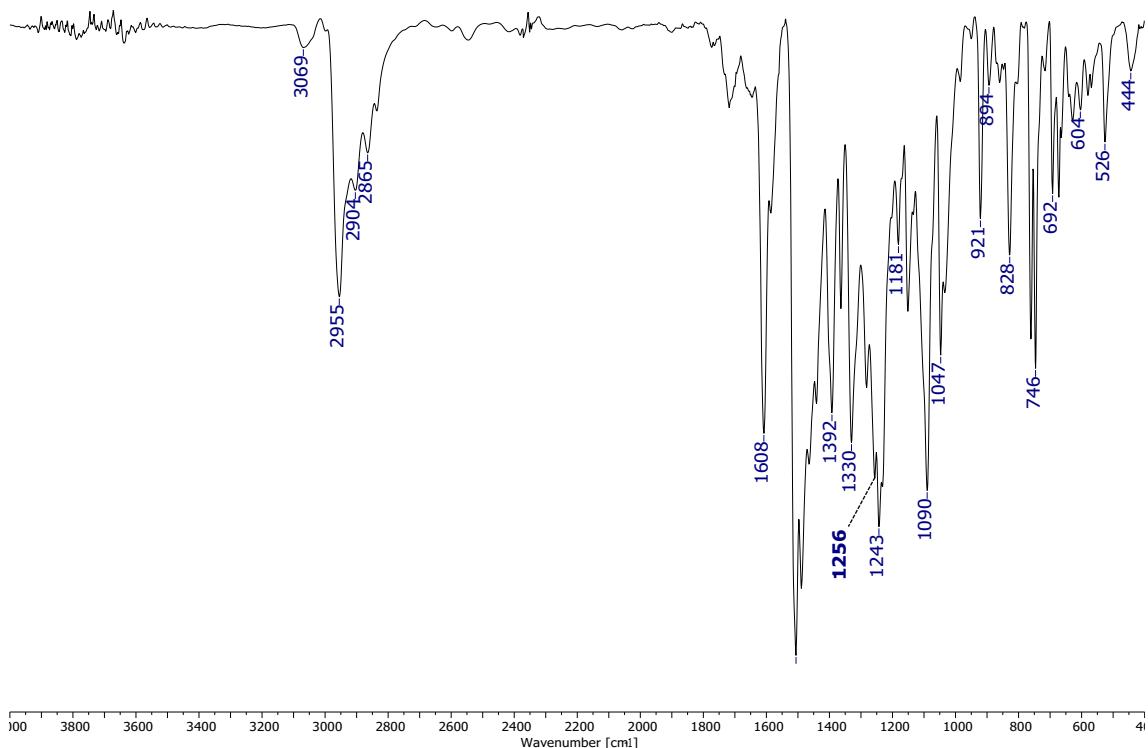


Figure S26. FT-IR of **ZnPc-6**.

## Characterization of CuPc-7

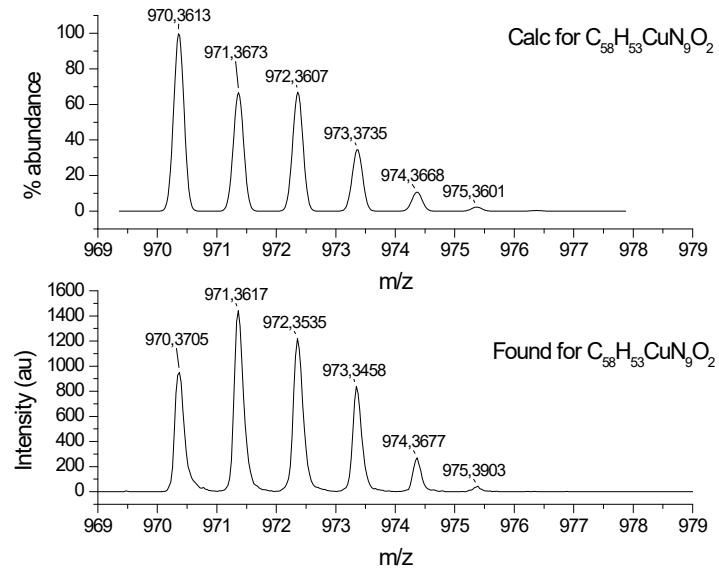


Figure S27. HR-MALDI-TOF spectrum of CuPc-7.

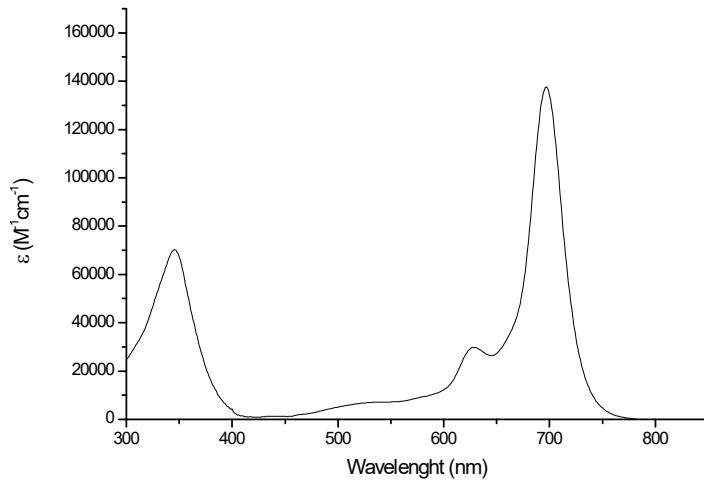


Figure S28. UV-vis absorption spectra of CuPc-7 in DMF.

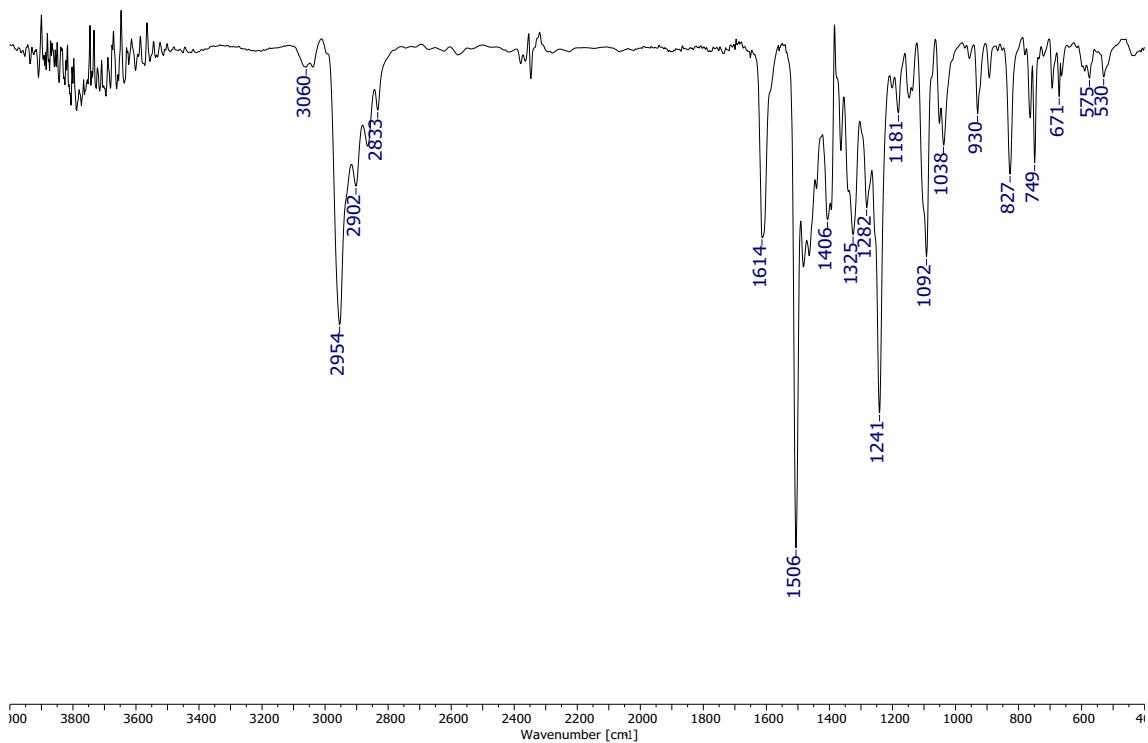


Figure S29. FT-IR of CuPc-7.

## Characterization of CuPc-8

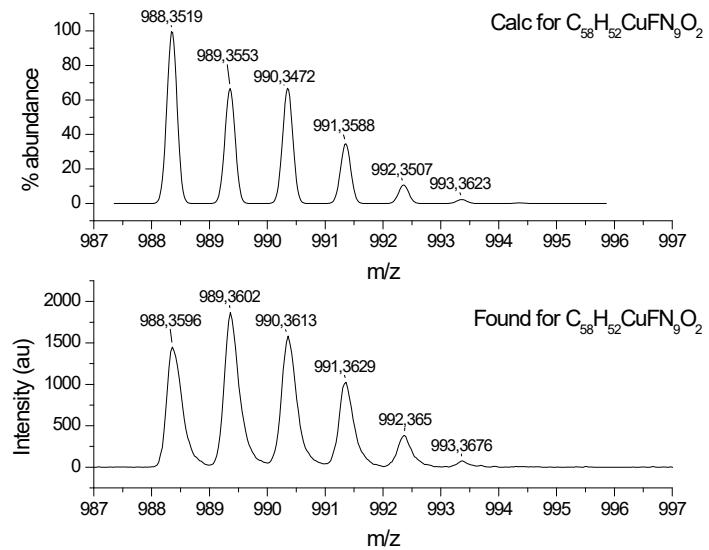


Figure S30. HR-MALDI-TOF spectrum of CuPc-8.

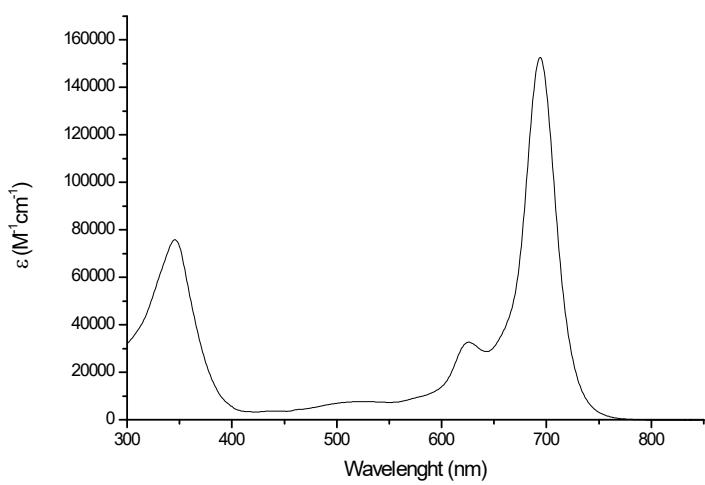


Figure S31. UV-vis absorption spectra of CuPc-8 in DMF.

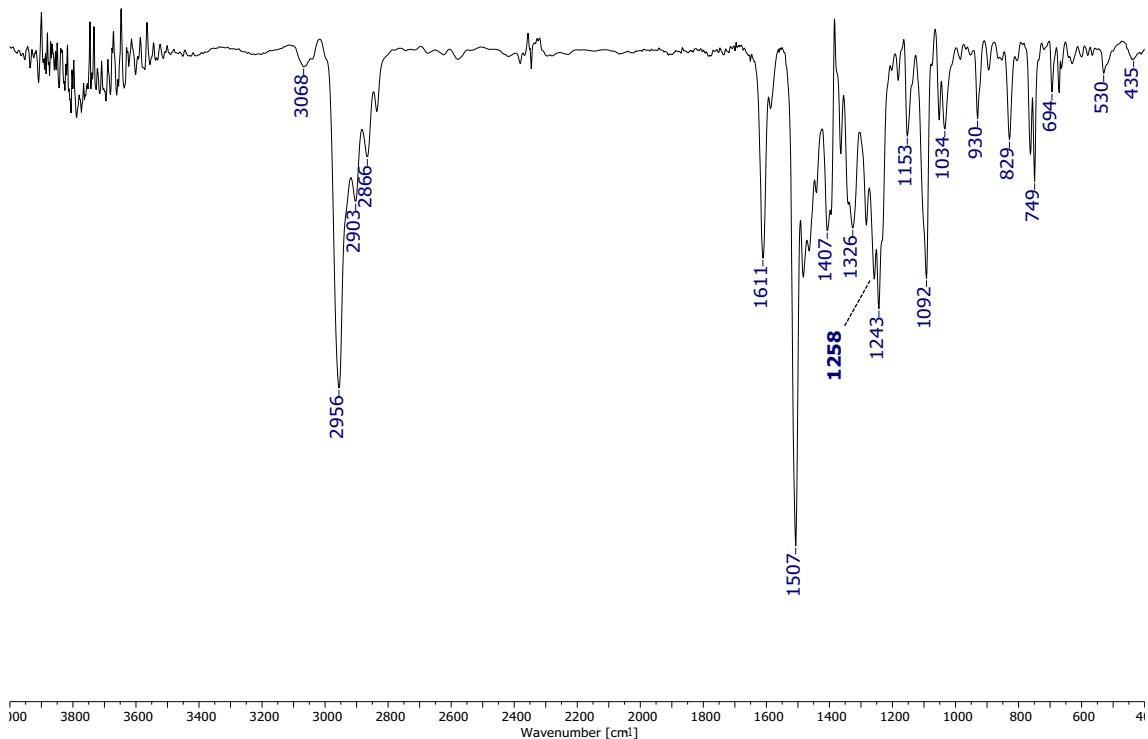


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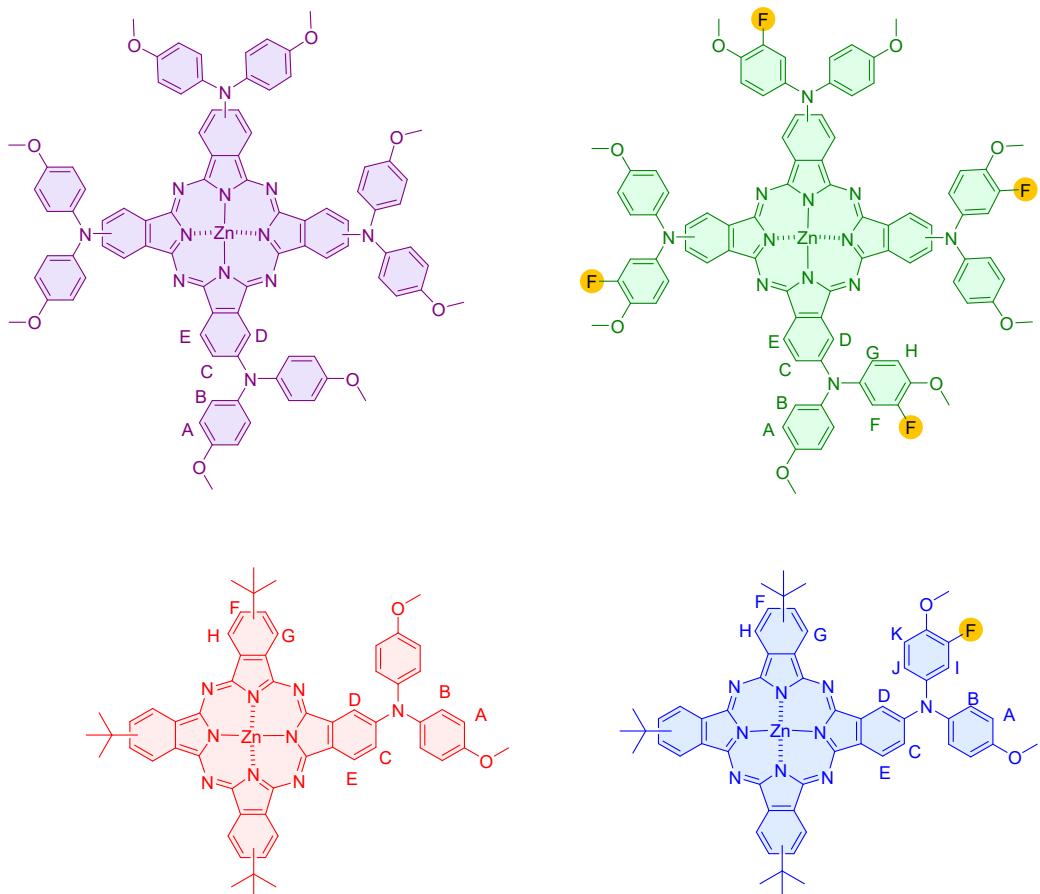


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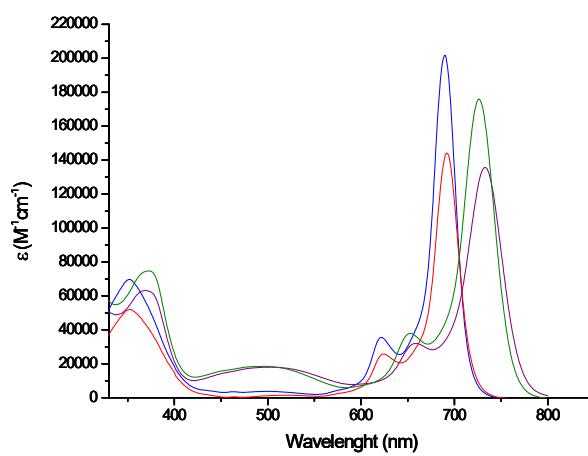
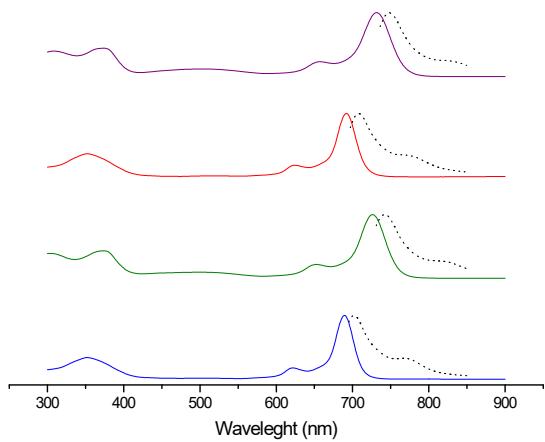
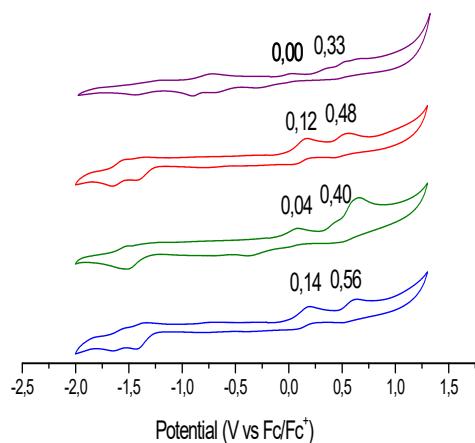


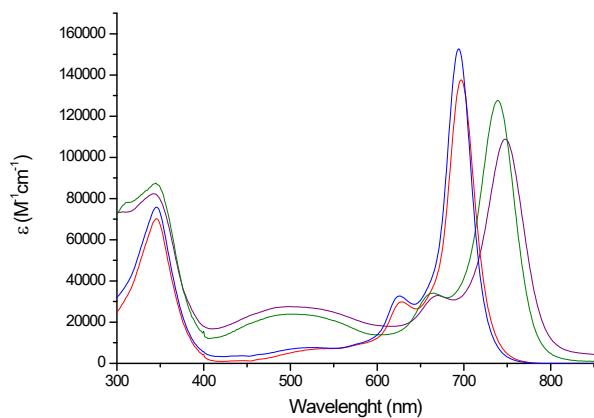
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*Figure S36.* Cyclic voltammogram of **ZnPc -1** (purple), **-2** (green), **-5** (red), and **-6** (blue).



*Figure S37.* UV-vis absorption spectra of **CuPc -3** (purple), **-4** (green), **-7** (red), and **-8** (blue).

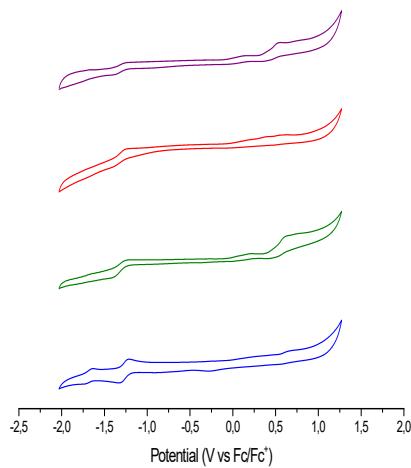


Figure S38. Cyclic voltammogram of CuPc -3 (purple), -4 (green), -7 (red), and -8 (blue).

### Electrochemistry

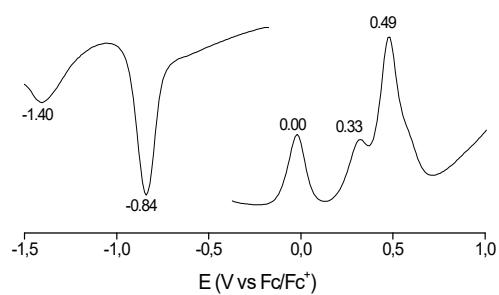


Figure S39. Differential pulse voltammetry of ZnPc-1 in deaerated DMF solution containing TBAPF<sub>6</sub> (0.1 M) obtained at 298 K.

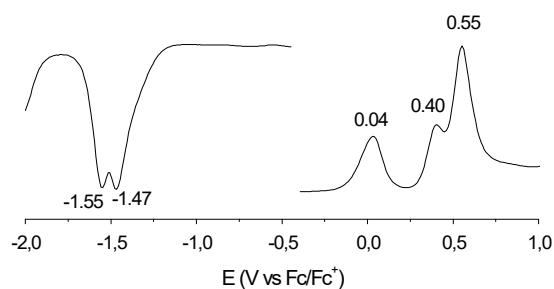


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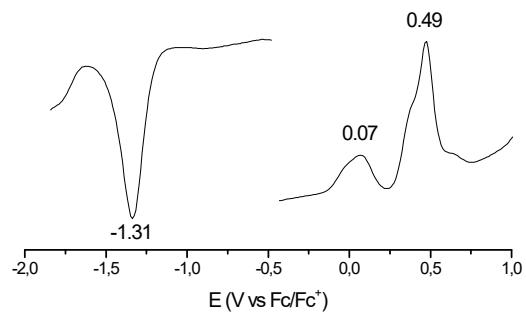


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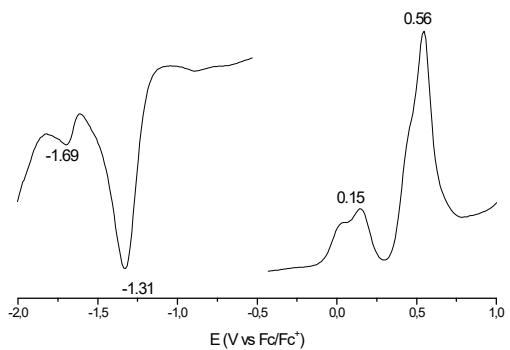


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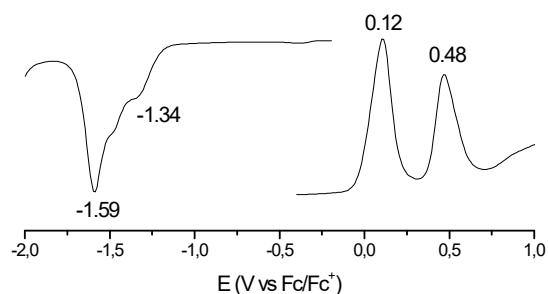


Figure S43. Differential pulse voltammetry of ZnPc-5 in deaerated DMF solution containing TBAPF6 (0.1 M) obtained at 298 K.

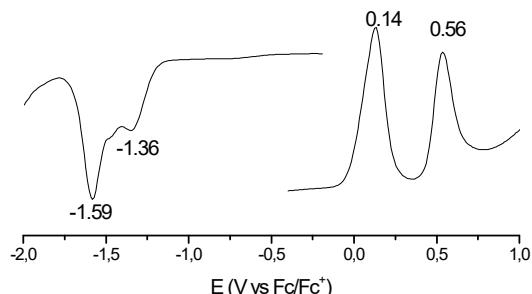


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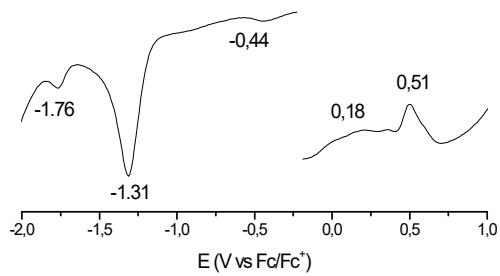


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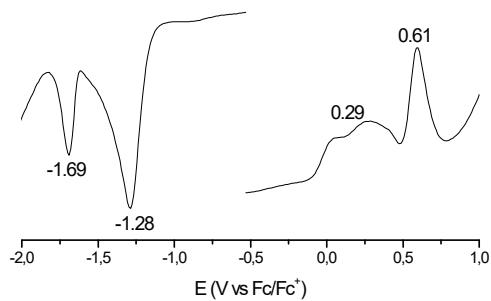


Figure S46. Differential pulse voltammetry of CuPc-8 in deaerated DMF solution containing TBAPF6 (0.1 M) obtained at 298 K.

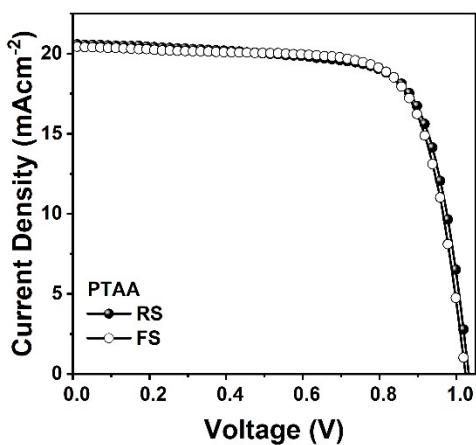


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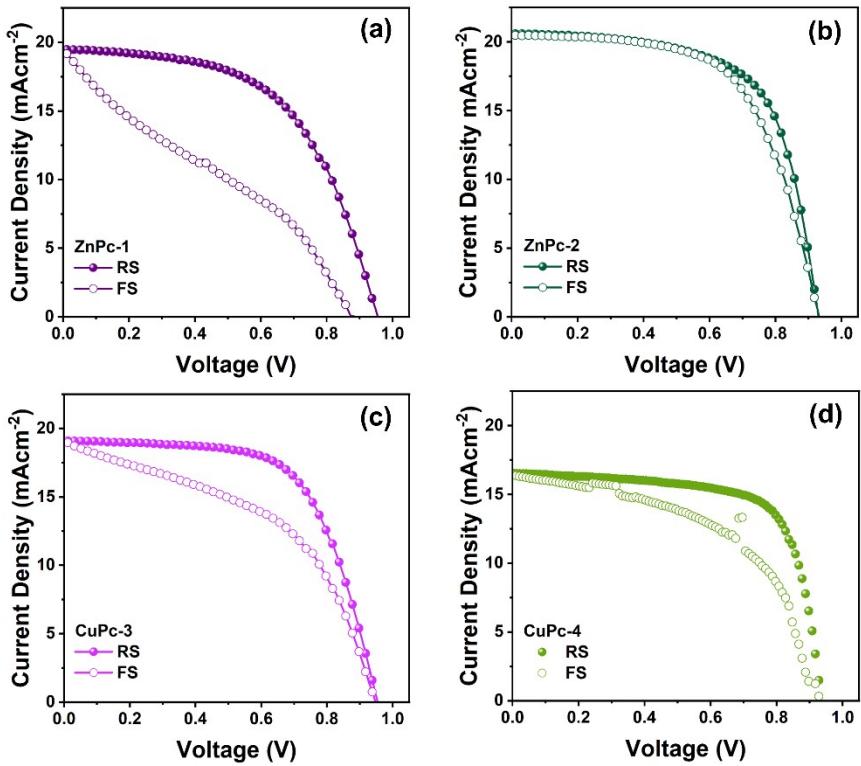


Figure S48. Reverse and forward scan J-V curves for PSCs based on symmetrical MPcs, (a) ZnPc-1, (b) ZnPc-2, (3) CuPc-3, and (4) CuPc-4.

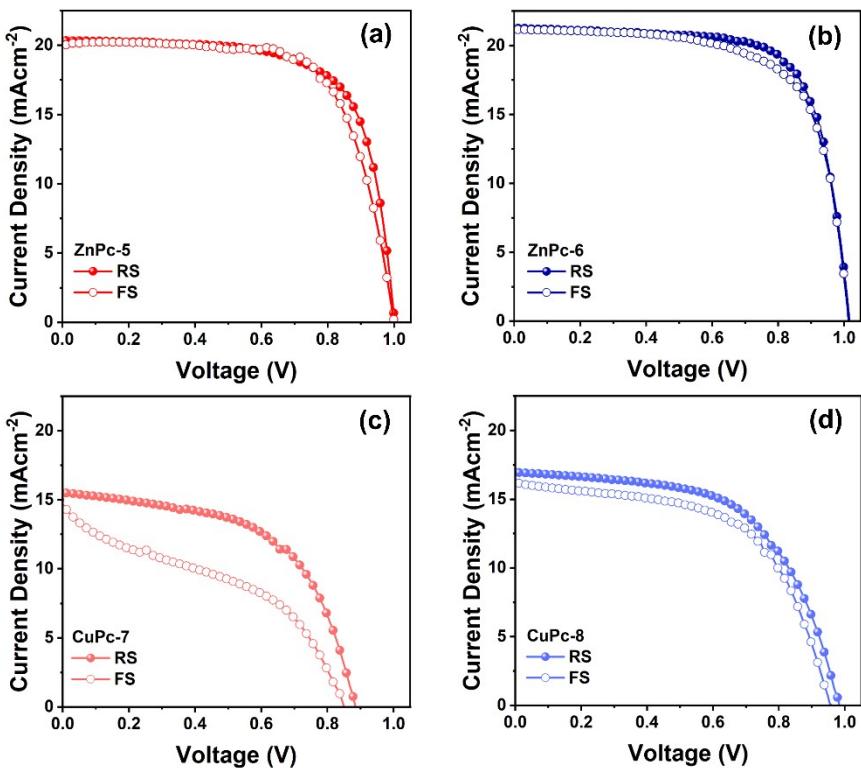


Figure S49. Reverse and forward scan J-V curves for PSCs based on symmetrical MPcs, (a) ZnPc-5, (b) ZnPc-6, (3) CuPc-7, and (4) CuPc-8.

Table S1. Statistical data of J-V parameters of champion devices based on *n-i-p* configuration.

HTM	$V_{oc}$ (mV)	$J_{sc}$ (mAcm $^{-2}$ )	FF (%)	PCE (%)	*HI
ZnPc-1	890.54 $\pm$ 48.83	17.89 $\pm$ 1.08	54.21 $\pm$ 8.31	8.59 $\pm$ 1.22	0.5058
ZnPc-2	936.01 $\pm$ 7.43	20.08 $\pm$ 0.29	63.39 $\pm$ 1.81	11.92 $\pm$ 0.47	0.0750
CuPc-3	962.83 $\pm$ 17.17	17.36 $\pm$ 1.18	63.38 $\pm$ 2.75	10.58 $\pm$ 0.68	0.2549
CuPc-4	930.26 $\pm$ 15.24	16.66 $\pm$ 0.60	60.99 $\pm$ 7.36	9.45 $\pm$ 1.15	0.1486
ZnPc-5	995.24 $\pm$ 5.77	20.01 $\pm$ 0.26	69.55 $\pm$ 0.89	13.85 $\pm$ 0.34	0.0550
ZnPc-6	1011.98 $\pm$ 4.04	20.94 $\pm$ 0.18	70.03 $\pm$ 1.16	14.84 $\pm$ 0.37	0.0415
CuPc-7	833.46 $\pm$ 58.74	10.98 $\pm$ 2.84	50.39 $\pm$ 7.59	4.56 $\pm$ 1.37	0.3542
CuPc-8	881.8 $\pm$ 48.27	15.10 $\pm$ 1.58	52.36 $\pm$ 8.47	6.96 $\pm$ 1.38	0.0773

\*HI = [PCE<sub>RS</sub> – PCE<sub>FS</sub>]/PCE<sub>RS</sub>, where PCE<sub>RS</sub> and PCE<sub>FS</sub> represent the PCE from reverse and forward scans, respectively. Statistical distribution was calculated from 8 devices of each ZnPc-1, CuPc-4, CuPc-7, CuPc-8, and 10 devices of each ZnPc-2, CuPc-3, ZnPc-5, ZnPc-6.

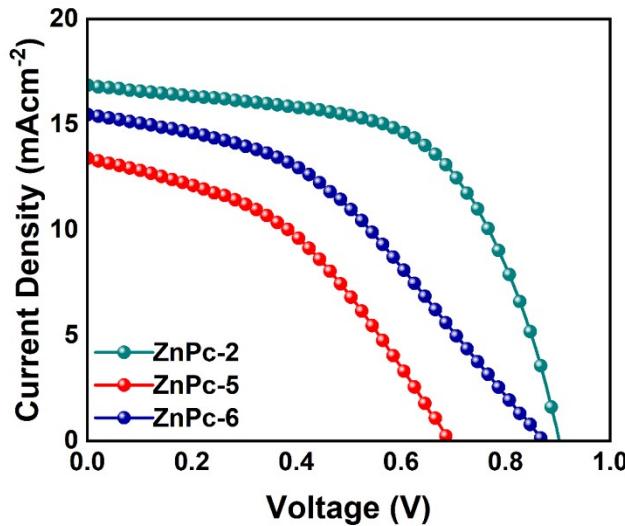


Figure S50. J-V curves in the reverse scan for *p-i-n* devices based on ZnPc-2, ZnPc-5, and ZnPc-6.

Table S2. Performance summary of devices based on *p-i-n* configuration with ZnPc-2, ZnPc-5, and ZnPc-6.

HTM	$V_{oc}$ (mV)	$J_{sc}$ (mAcm $^{-2}$ )	FF (%)	PCE (%)	$R_s$ ( $\Omega$ )	$R_{sh}$ (k $\Omega$ )
ZnPc-2	901.87	16.85	59.59	9.06	98.86	4.379
ZnPc-5	693.94	13.41	41.74	3.88	300.88	1.880
ZnPc-6	865.26	15.48	41.28	5.53	311.79	2.604

Table S3. Performance summary of devices based on *p-i-n* configuration with ZnPc-2, ZnPc-5, and ZnPc-6.

HTM	Conductivity (S/cm)	Mobility (cm $^2$ /Vs)
ZnPc-1	$4.660 \times 10^{-7}$	$8.994 \times 10^{-6}$
ZnPc-2	$1.210 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.199 \times 10^{-5}$
CuPc-3	$8.121 \times 10^{-7}$	$8.150 \times 10^{-6}$
CuPc-4	$8.024 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.051 \times 10^{-5}$
ZnPc-5	$1.045 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.949 \times 10^{-5}$
ZnPc-6	$1.268 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.039 \times 10^{-5}$

<b>CuPc-7</b>	$8.142 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.335 \times 10^{-5}$
<b>CuPc-8</b>	$7.688 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.434 \times 10^{-5}$

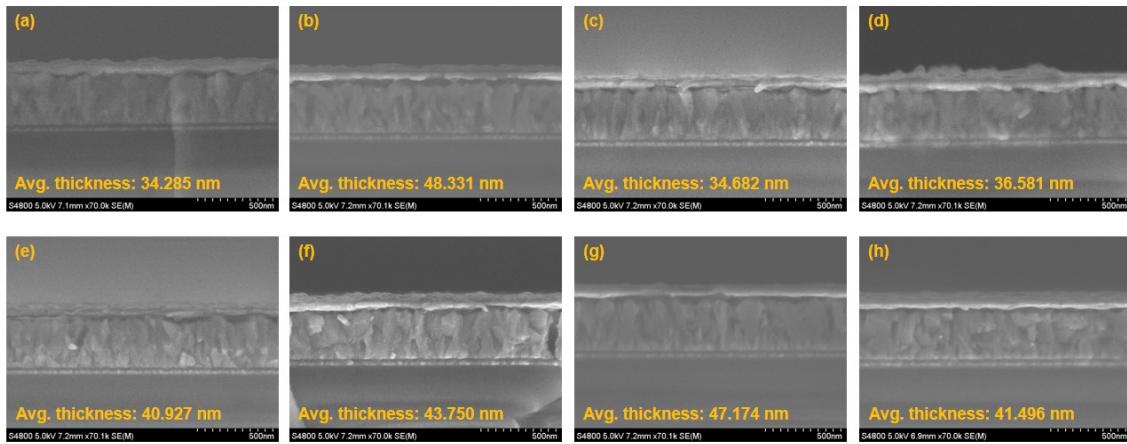


Figure S51. Cross-sectional SEM images of FTO/MPC/Ag devices and average thickness of each MPC.

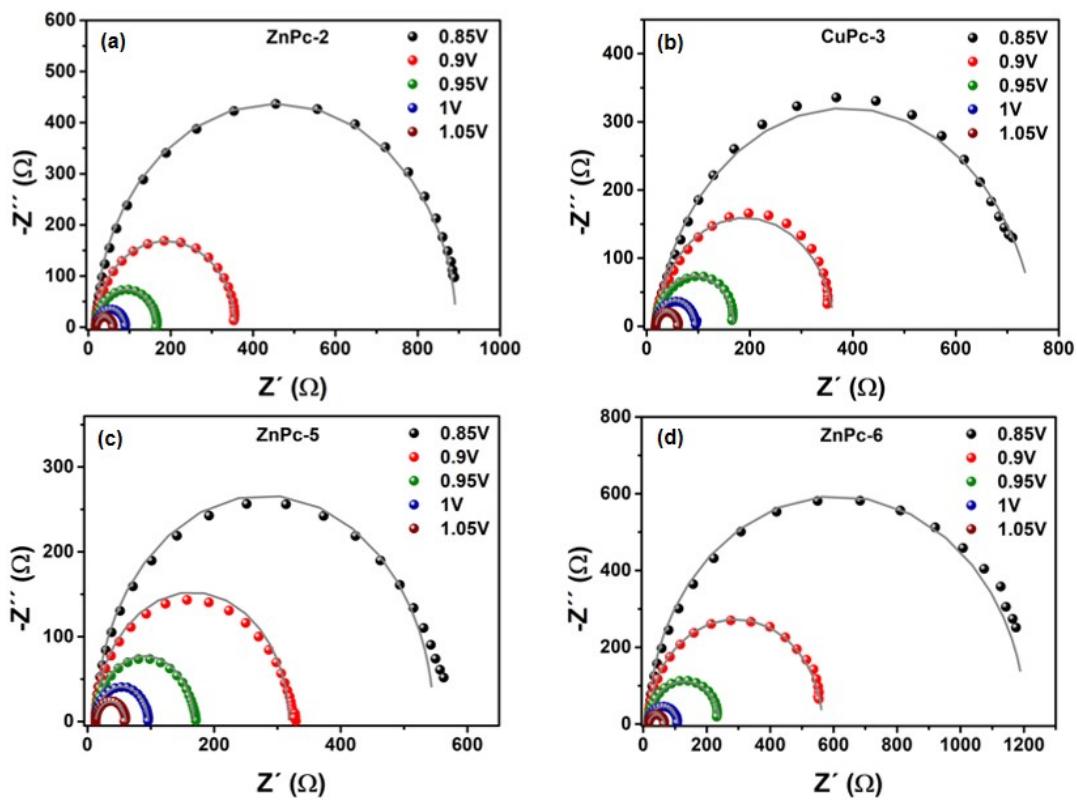


Figure S52. Electrochemical impedance spectra (EIS) of PSCs based on ZnPc-2, CuPc-3, ZnPc-5, and ZnPc-6 measured at different bias voltages from 0.85–1.05 V under dark conditions (raw and fitted data).

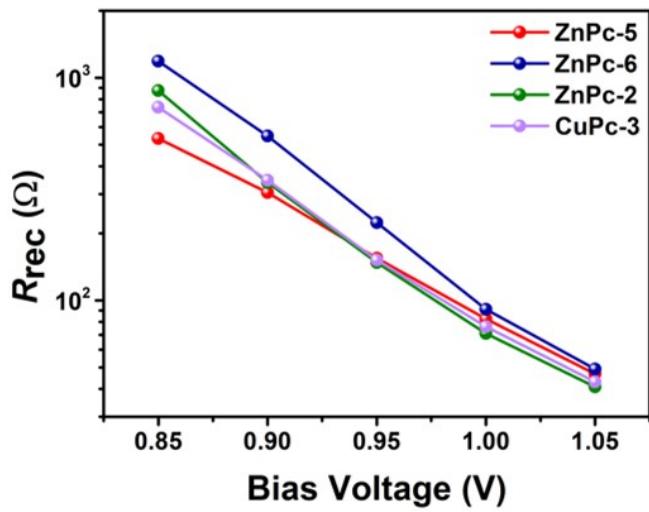


Figure S53. The bias voltage-dependent interfacial charge recombination resistance extracted from Nyquist plots under dark conditions.