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Self-Assembly of Azamacrocyclic Ligands into Vesicular Structures: From Design to Functional Properties and Applications.

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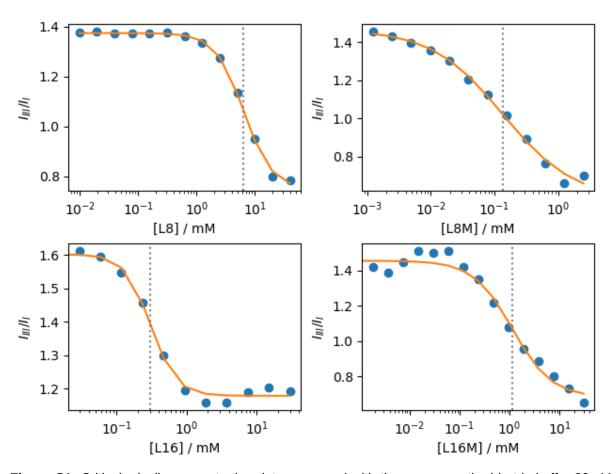


Figure S1: Critical micelle concentration data measured with the pyrene method in tris buffer 20mM at pH=7.4. The dotted line represents the calculated CMC.

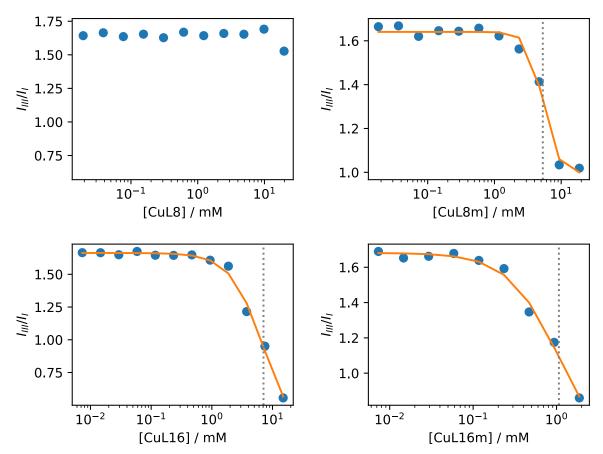


Figure S2: Critical micelle concentration data measured with the pyrene method in HEPES buffer 20mM at pH=7.4. The dotted line represents the calculated CMC.

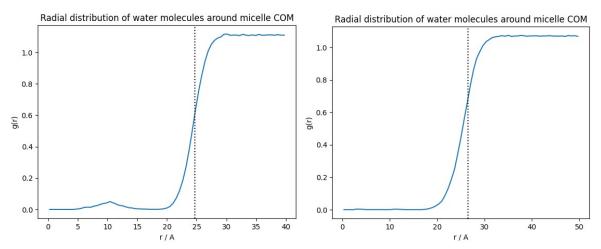


Figure S3: Radial distribution of water molecules with respect to the centre-of-mass of the micelle. **L8** (left) and **L8M** (right). The vertical dotted lines represent the calculated micellar radii.

Table S1: Crystallographic data

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Composition	$C_{21}H_{39}CuN_5$, 2(ClO ₄)	
Formula weight / g⋅mol ⁻¹	624.01	
Size / mm	0.138×0.104×0.051	
Space group	P 2₁/c	
Unit cell		
• a/Å	20.919(5)	
• b/Å	8.778(3)	
• c/Å	14.947(4)	
 α / degrees 	90	
 β / degrees 	97.900(9)	
 y / degrees 	90	
• V/Å3	2718.7(12)	
Density / g⋅cm ⁻³	1.53	
Z	4	
μ / mm $^{-1}$	1.05	
F000	1308	
Diffraction Limits	29 ≤ h ≤ −29	
	12 ≤ k ≤ −12	
	21 ≤ l ≤ −21	
R(int)	0.1042	
R(sigma)	0.0575	
Reflections		
 Collected 	58548	
 Unique 	8299	
Parameters	365	
Constraints	0	
Restraints	1	
R1		
 total 	0.1138	
• $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$	0.0706	
wR2		
 total 	0.1911	
• $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$	0.1661	
Goodness of Fit	1.029	

Table S2: Bond distances (in angstrom) and angles (in degrees) for crystal structure CuL8 (this work) and CuL for comparison (from *Inorg Chem* 2007, 46(14), 5707-5719). The crystal CuL contains two separate moieties, both of which are shown here, and the atom labelling in the referenced paper do not match those for CuL8 in this work, but in this table they have been rearranged so that the number corresponds to the analog atom in the CuL8 crystal.

	Cu L8	Cu L	
Cu1-N1	1.930(3)	1.950(9)	1.938(8)
Cu1-N2	2.108(3)	2.074(9)	2.116(8)
Cu1-N3	2.200(3)	2.189(9)	2.231(8)
Cu1-N4	2.125(3)	2.097(9)	2.104(8)
Cu1-N5	2.005(3)	2.052(9)	1.997(8)
N1-Cu1-N2	81.35(13)	81.0(4)	81.5(3)
N1-Cu1-N3	100.12(13)	119.5(3)	99.4(3)
N1-Cu1-N4	81.67(13)	82.3(4)	82.3(4)
N2-Cu1-N3	84.29(12)	83.3(3)	82.5(3)
N4-Cu1-N3	83.48(12)	84.7(3)	84.5(3)
N5-Cu1-N2	97.13(14)	103.5(4)	99.7(3)
N5-Cu1-N3	85.15(14)	82.7(3)	82.7(3)
N5-Cu1-N4	101.21(14)	100.8(4)	98.0(3)
T 5	0.289	0.267	0.108

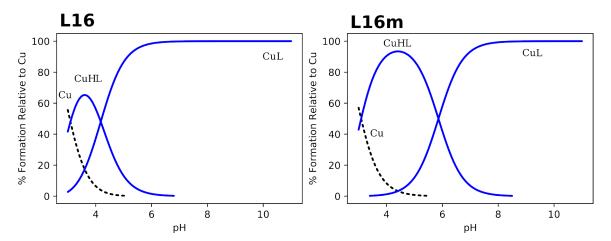


Figure S4: Distribution diagrams for the systems referred to as Cu^{2+} -**L16** and Cu^{2+} -**L16m** as a function of pH. The metal cation-ligand ratio was 1:1 ([L]=[Cu²⁺] = 10^{-3} M). Dashed lines represents the molar fraction of free Cu^{2+} .

Figure S5: ¹H-NMR spectrum for L8

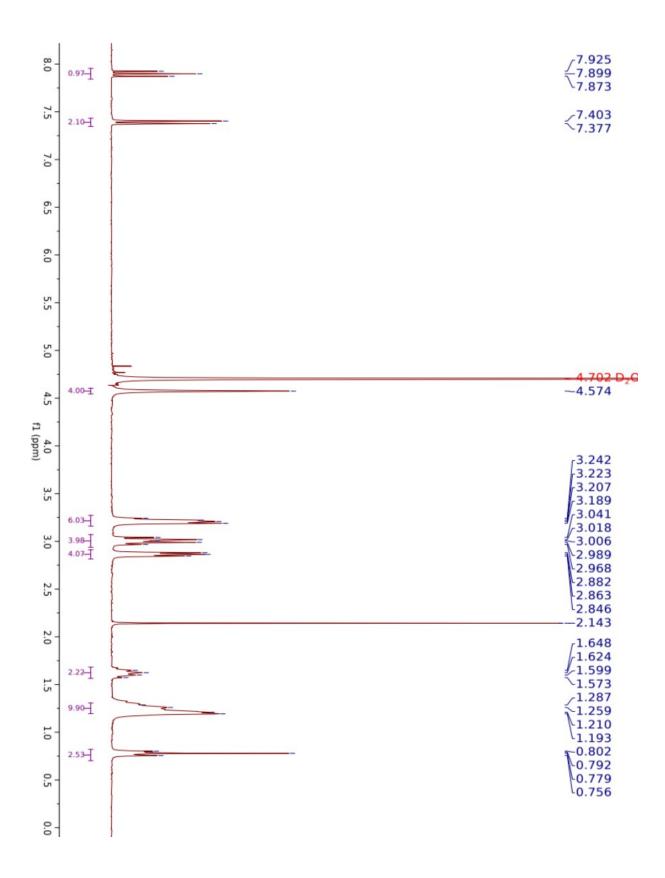


Figure S6: ¹³C-NMR spectrum for L8

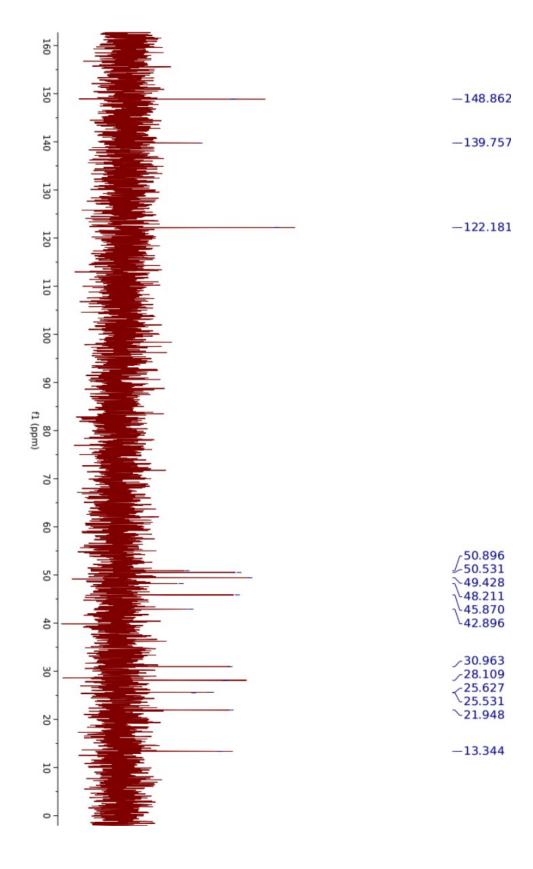


Figure S7: ¹H-NMR spectrum for L8Ts

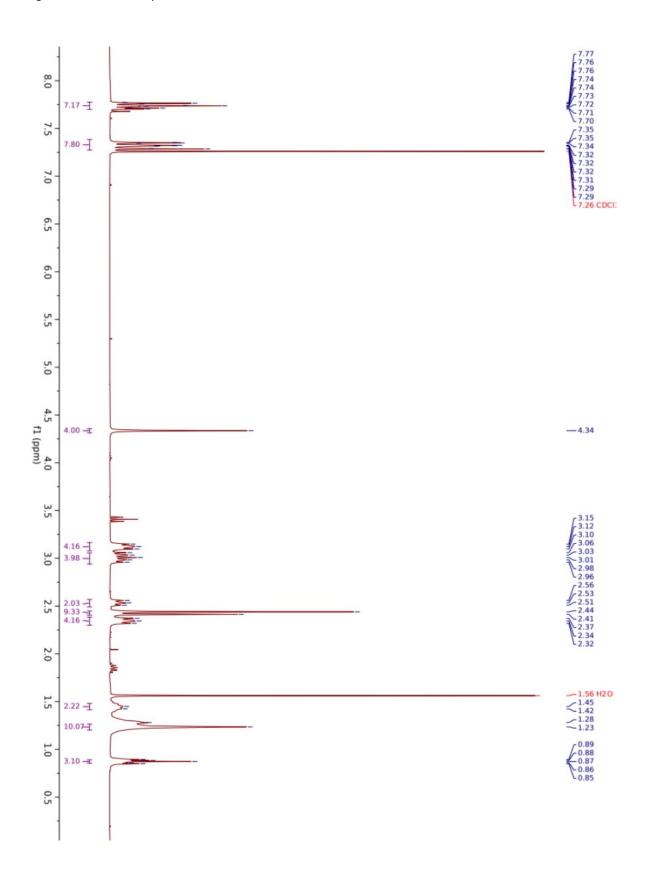


Figure S8: ¹³C-NMR spectrum for L8Ts

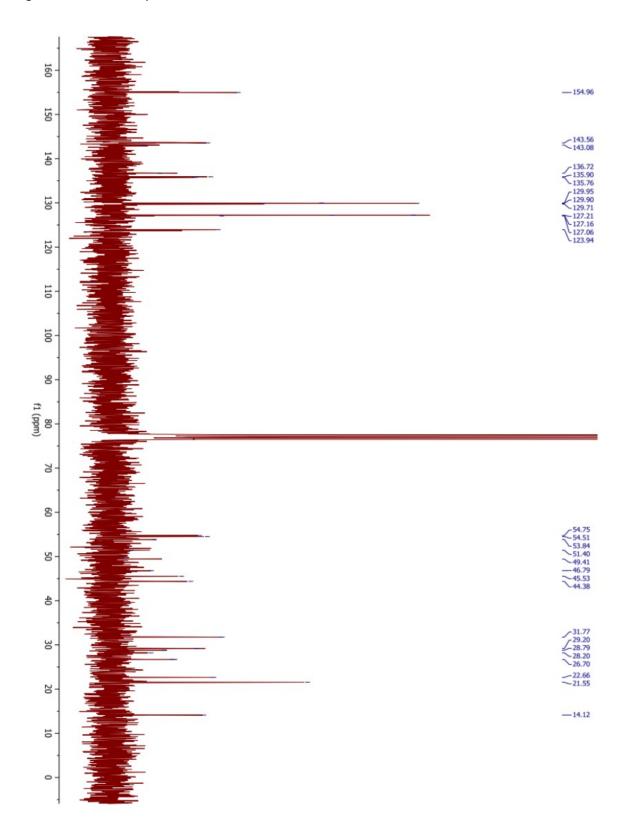


Figure S9: ¹H-NMR spectrum for L8m

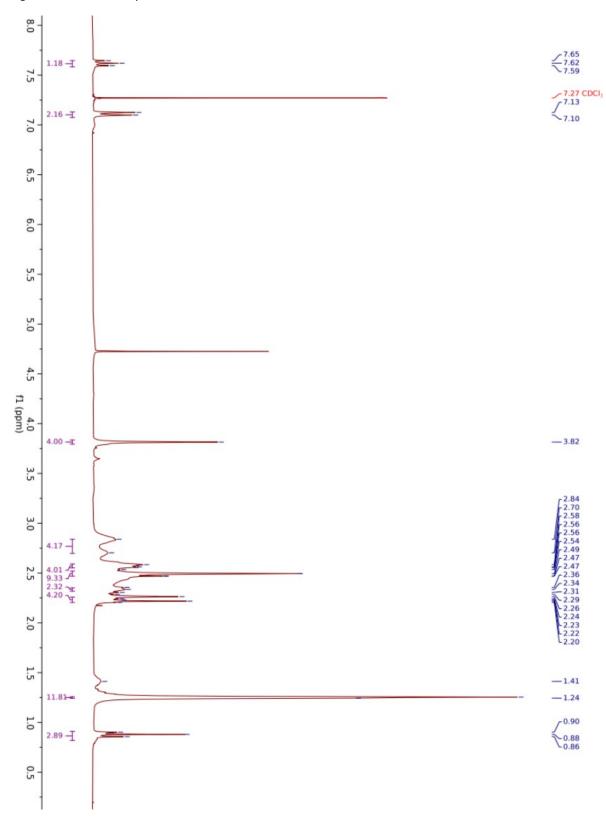
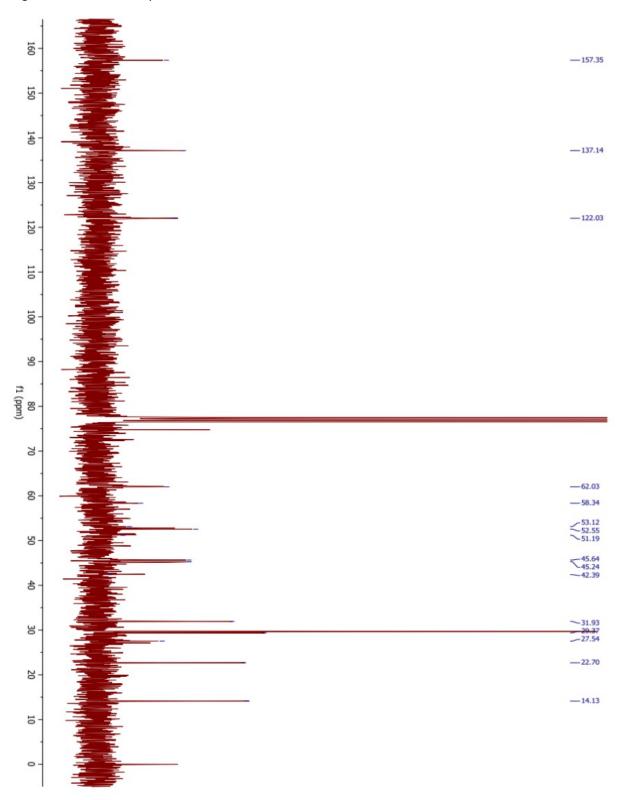


Figure S10: ¹³C-NMR spectrum for L8m



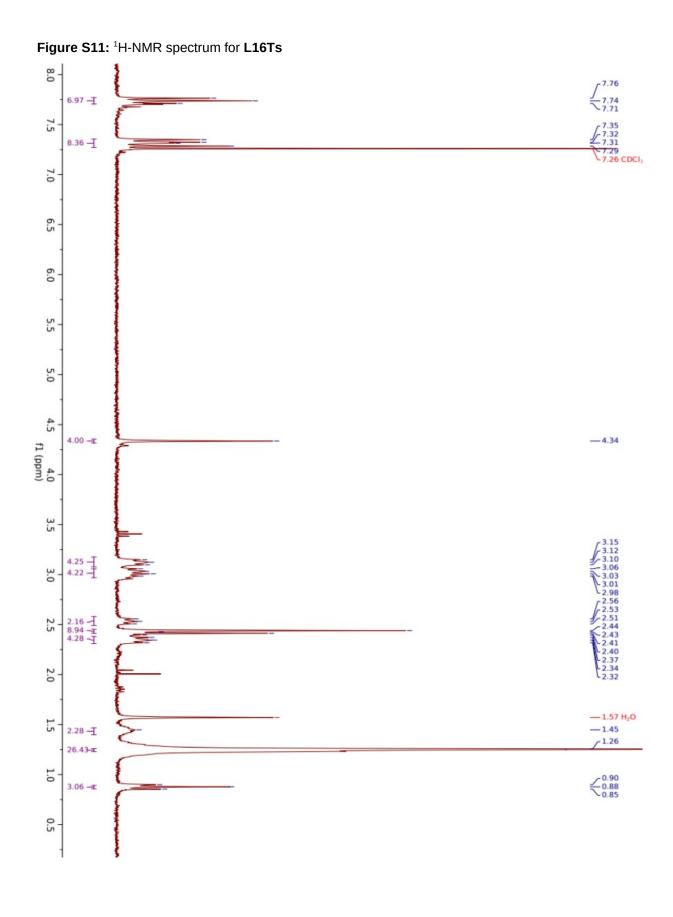


Figure S12: ¹³C-NMR spectrum for L16Ts

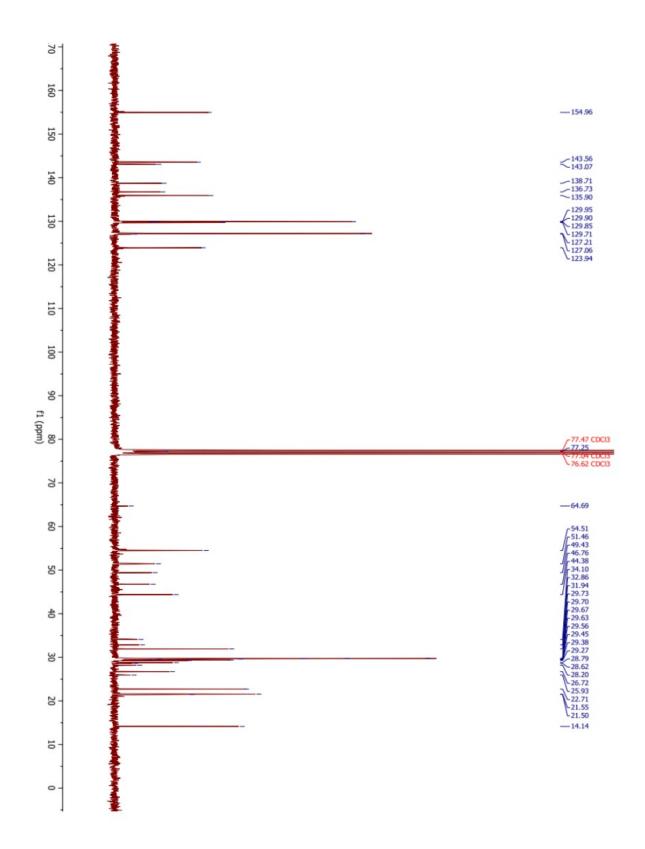


Figure S13: ¹H-NMR spectrum for L16

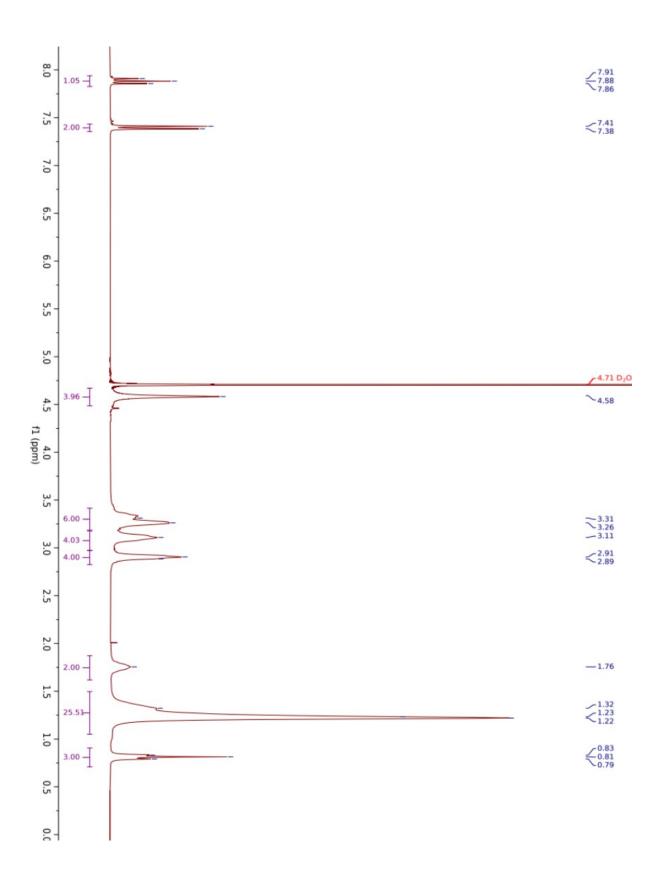


Figure S14: ¹³C-NMR spectrum for L16

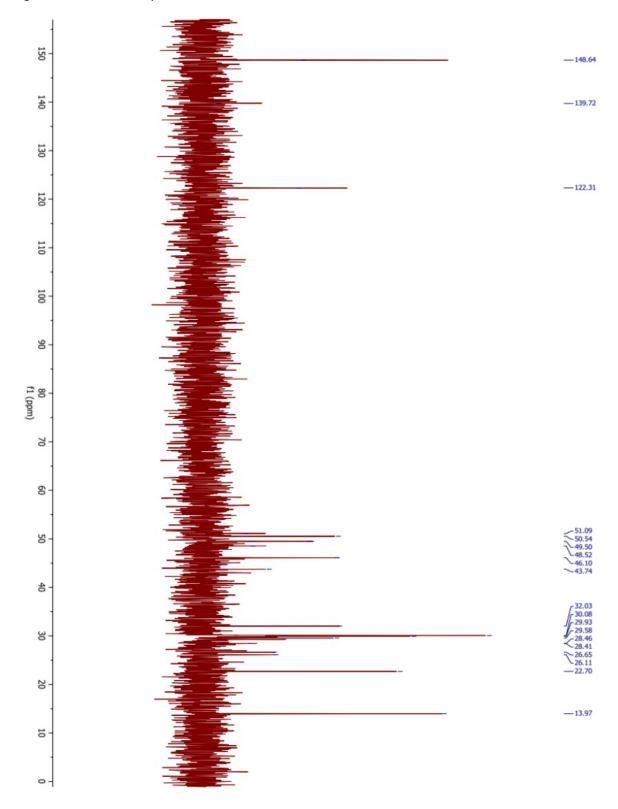


Figure S15: ¹H-NMR spectrum for L16m

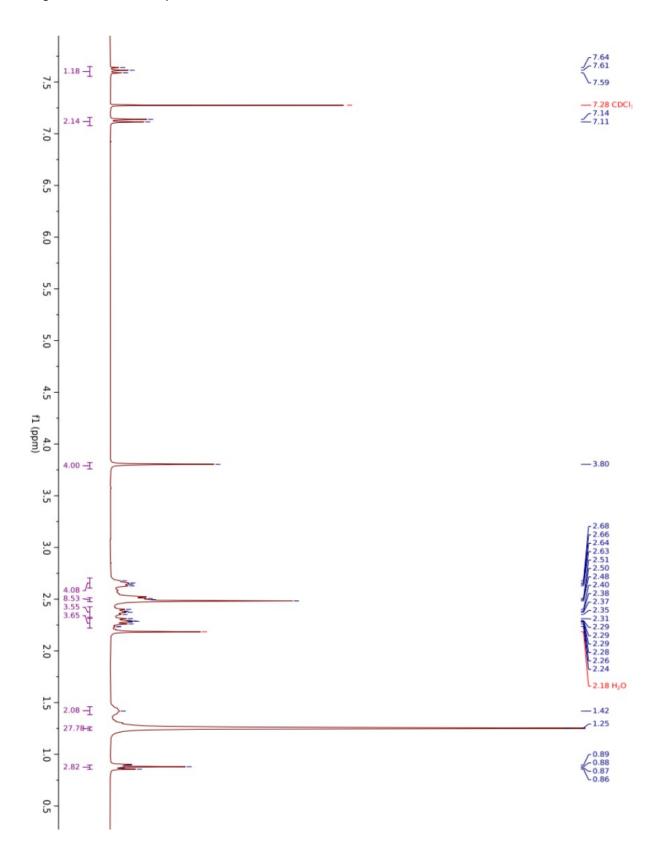
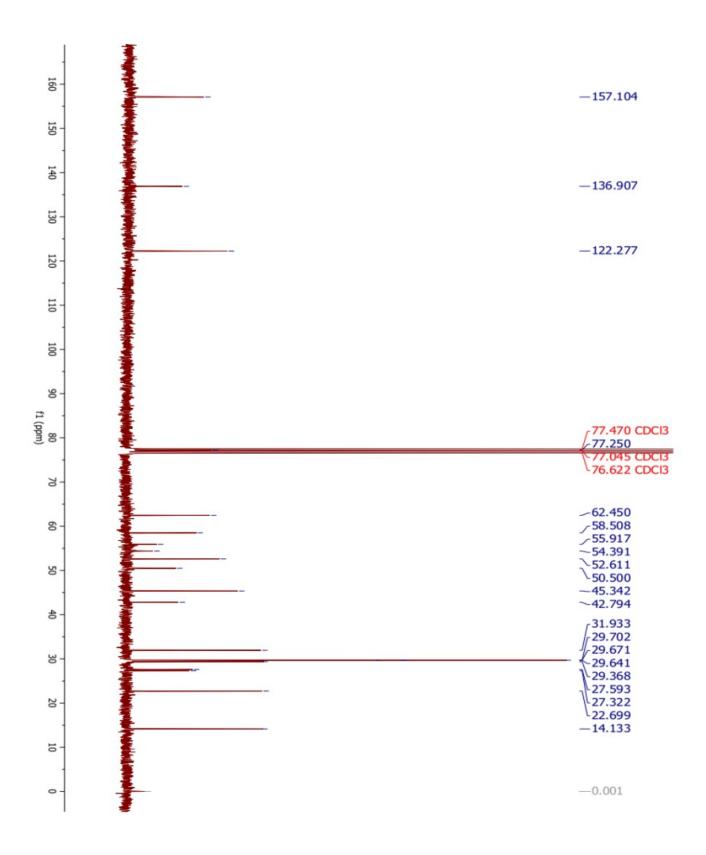


Figure S16: ¹³C-NMR spectrum for L16m



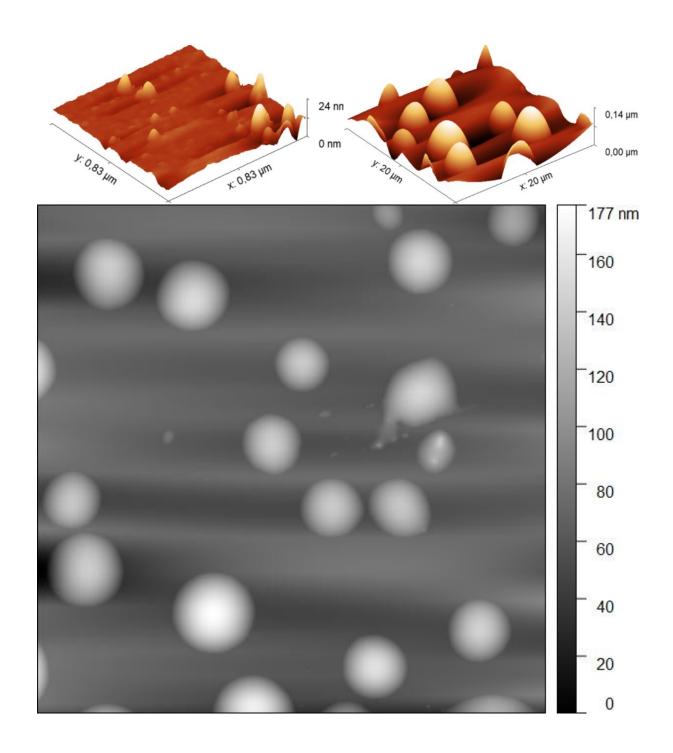


Figure S17: AFM images of L8 (top left) and L8m (top right and bottom).