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**Catenated Nitrogen-Rich Triazine-Tetrazole Molecules for Advanced  
Explosives and Gas-Generator Applications**

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## Experimental Section:

**Caution!** The compounds in this work are energetic materials that could potentially explode under certain conditions (e.g., impact, friction, or electric discharge). Appropriate safety precautions, such as the use of shields in a fume hood and personal protection equipment (safety glasses, face shields, ear plugs, as well as gloves) should be always taken when handling these materials.

**General.** All reagents were purchased from AKSci or TCI or Merck in analytical grade and were used as supplied.  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ , and  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectra were recorded JEOL DELTA (ECS) 400 ( $^1\text{H}$ , 400 MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ) nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer. Chemical shifts for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra are given with respect to external  $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{Si}$  ( $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ ). [D6] DMSO was used as a locking solvent unless otherwise stated. IR spectra were recorded using Zn-Se pellets with a ECO-ATR spectrometer (Bruker Alpha II). A single crystal of suitable dimensions was used for data collection. Diffraction intensities were collected on a Bruker APEX-II CCD diffractometer, with graphite-monochromated Mo  $K\alpha$  (0.71073 Å) radiation at 100(2) K. Density was determined at room temperature by employing Anton Par Ultra5000 gas pycnometer. Decomposition temperatures (onset) were recorded using a dry nitrogen gas purge and a heating rate of 5 °C  $\text{min}^{-1}$  on a thermogravimetric differential scanning calorimeter (TGA-DSC (SDT-650)). HRMS was recorded on a Quadrupole Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometry mass spectrometer and ESI-MS was recorded on Agilent mass spectrometer. Impact and friction sensitivity measurements were made using a standard BAM fall hammer and a BAM friction tester.

**Synthesis of 2-amino-6-chloropyridine-3,5-dicarbonitrile (2):** Compound **2** was synthesized using previously reported literature procedure<sup>4</sup>. A mixture of malononitrile (5 g, 75.69 mmol, 2 equiv.), triethyl orthoformate (5.61 g, 37.84 mmol, 1 equiv.) and pyridine (2.99 g, 37.84 mmol, 1 equiv.) was allowed to reflux for 20 minutes, to this con HCl was added at 80 °C, cooled to room temperature, and water (20 ml) was added in to it. The newly formed precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with water, ethanol and diethyl ether to afford the intermediate 2-amino-6-chloropyridine-3,5-dicarbonitrile (9.74 g, 96%, 0.05 mmol).



**Synthesis of 2,6-diaminopyridine-3,5-dicarbonitrile (3):** Compound **2** (1.000 g, 0.0056 mol) was dissolved in acetonitrile (5 mL) in a pressure tube and aqueous ammonia (5 mL excess) was added in it and the reaction was stirred at 90 °C for 15 hours. After cooling down to room temperature, newly formed light yellowish-brown coloured precipitate was filtered off and washed with acetonitrile and cold water, dried under vacuum to afford compound **3** in 79% yield (0.71 g, 0.0044 mol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 79.2, 117.3, 148.7, 161.2 ppm. IR (ATR ZnSe): 3427, 3348, 3149, 2208, 1671, 1636, 1592, 1538, 1468, 1262, 1097, 932, 766, 705 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Elemental Analysis Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>, (0.2 CH<sub>3</sub>OH) C, 52.23; H, 3.53; N, 42.30. Found: C, 51.90; H, 3.27; N, 42.78.



**Synthesis of 3-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-5-(2H-tetrazol-5-yl)pyridine-2,6-diamine (4):** Compound **3** (0.5000 g, 0.0031 mol) was dissolved in N, N-dimethyl formamide (DMF) (5 mL). To this, sodium azide (NaN<sub>3</sub>) (1.00 g, 0.0153 mol, 5 eq), and ammonium chloride (0.82 g, 0.015 mol, 5 eq) were added under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at 125 °C for 48 hours cooled to room temperature and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. To this, ice-cold water was added and the pH was adjusted to 3-4 with diluted HCl. The newly formed creamy coloured precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with ice-cold water, dried under vacuum to afford compound **4** in 75% yield (0.58 g, 0.0023 mol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 91.7, 137.8, 155.0, 157.1 ppm. IR (ATR ZnSe): 3425, 3307, 3141, 1683, 1645, 1465, 1417, 1306, 1259, 1157, 10995, 1008, 948, 900, 765, 723, 660, 619 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Elemental Analysis Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>11</sub> (H<sub>2</sub>O + 0.25 DMF): C, 33.07; H, 3.85; N, 55.98; Found: C, 32.68; H, 3.62; N, 55.92. HRMS (ESI-QTOF) m/z: (M+H)<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>11</sub> 246.0959; Found 246.0957.



**Synthesis of 4-azido-7-oxo-6-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-7,8-dihydropyrido[2,3-d][1,2,3]triazine 2-oxide (5):** In a 50 mL round-bottom flask, a mixture of KNO<sub>3</sub> (0.300 g) and the 98% sulphuric acid (4 mL) was added at room temperature. To this solution, compound **4** (0.300 g, 0.0012 mol) was added gradually, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 hours and quenched with ice-cold water. The newly formed orange coloured precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with ice-cold water, dried under vacuum to afford compound **5** in 63% yield (0.334 g, 0.0012 mol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 8.45 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 94.0, 117.4, 131.0, 149.2, 156.2, 160.1, 160.4. <sup>15</sup>N NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 12.0, -48.8, -92.7, -130.1, -139.4, 146.8, -152.4, -198.6, -229.2, -278.4 ppm. IR (ATR ZnSe): 3573, 3507, 2242, 2166, 1670, 1621, 1596, 1559, 1505, 1458, 1423, 1383, 1340, 1249, 1210, 1134, 1102, 1094, 1076, 1031, 966, 877, 831, 779, 726, 699, 646 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Elemental Analysis Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N<sub>11</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (0.4 DMSO): C, 30.77; H, 1.79; N, 50.61; Found: C, 30.94; H, 2.10; N, 50.99. HRMS (ESI-QTOF) m/z: (M-2H)<sup>-</sup> Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>HN<sub>11</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 271.0326; Found 271.0444.



**Synthesis of 2-(aminomethylene)malononitrile (6)<sup>5</sup>:** Compound **6** was synthesized from previously reported procedures using commercially available 2-(Ethoxymethylene)malononitrile (1.000 g, 0.0081 mol) was treated with aqueous ammonia (5 mL) in methanol (8 mL), and stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude was dissolved in cold methanol, and the newly formed yellow coloured precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with ice-cold water and dried under vacuum to afford compound **6** in 68% yield (0.52 g, 0.0055 mol).



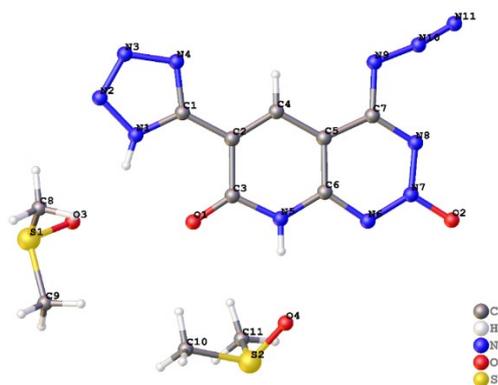
**Synthesis of (Z)-3-amino-2-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)acrylonitrile and 2,2-di(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)ethen-1-amine (7M):** Compound **6** (1.00 g, 0.010 mol) was dissolved in water (20 mL), and to this NaN<sub>3</sub> (1.53 g, 0.023 mol) and Zinc chloride (ZnCl<sub>2</sub>) (2.99 g, 0.022 mol) were added and

refluxed for 15 hours and cooled to room temperature, and the pH was adjusted to 2-3 with concentrated HCl. The newly formed yellowish-green coloured precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with ice-cold water, dried under vacuum to afford compound **7M** in 66% yield (2.2 g, 0.0069 mol).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  1.29 (t, 6H), 4.56 (q, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$   $\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  13.8, 67.2, 113.9, 132.8, 148.6, 151.6, 156.6. IR (ATR ZnSe): 3593, 3123, 2920, 2853, 1766, 1722, 1581, 1508, 1434, 1334, 1298, 1236, 1161, 1083, 999, 958, 901, 836, 799, 738  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI-QTOF)  $m/z$ : (M-H) $^-$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{N}_6$  135.0425; Found 135.0419. (M-H) $^-$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{N}_9$  178.0595; Found 178.0586. (M-H) $^-$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{N}_{13}$  270.0695; Found 270.0718.



**Synthesis of 6-azido-4-(2H-tetrazol-5-yl)tetrazolo[1',5':1,6]pyrido[2,3-d][1,2,3]triazine 8-oxide (8):** In a 50 mL round-bottom flask, the 98% sulphuric acid (4 mL) and 100%  $\text{HNO}_3$  (2 mL) were added at 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . To this solution, compound **7M** (0.500 g, 0.0015 mol) was added slowly, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 hours and quenched with ice-cold water. The newly formed yellow coloured precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with ice-cold water, dried under vacuum to afford compound **4** in 63% yield (0.30 g, 0.0010 mol).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  1.29 (t, 6H), 4.56 (q, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$   $\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  13.8, 67.2, 113.9, 132.8, 148.6, 151.6, 156.6. IR (ATR ZnSe): 3593, 3123, 2920, 2853, 1766, 1722, 1581, 1508, 1434, 1334, 1298, 1236, 1161, 1083, 999, 958, 901, 836, 799, 738  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Elemental Analysis Calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_2\text{N}_{14}\text{O}$  (0.5  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ ) C, 28.67; H, 1.28; N, 62.41; Found: C, 28.46; H, 1.42; N, 62.39. HRMS (ESI-QTOF)  $m/z$ : (M+Na) $^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_2\text{N}_{14}\text{O}$  321.0434; Found 321.0432.





**Figure S1:** Molecular structure of compound 5.

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**Table S1: Crystal data and structure refinement for 5.**

CCDC Number	2498162
Empirical formula	C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>11</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight	427.430
Temperature/K	100
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	5.1200(6)
b/Å	13.3302(16)
c/Å	13.9482(17)
α/°	80.226(4)
β/°	88.777(4)
γ/°	80.059(4)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	924.04(19)
Z	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.536
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.334
F(000)	440.7
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.125 × 0.12 × 0.1
Radiation	Mo Kα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	4.68 to 56.64
Index ranges	-6 ≤ h ≤ 6, -17 ≤ k ≤ 17, -18 ≤ l ≤ 18

Reflections collected	15046
Independent reflections	4585 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0368$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0379$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	4585/0/265
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.059
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0383$ , $wR_2 = 0.1079$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0452$ , $wR_2 = 0.1163$
Largest diff. peak/hole / $e \text{ \AA}^{-3}$	0.50/-0.58

**Table S2: Fractional Atomic Coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for 5.  $U_{\text{eq}}$  is defined as 1/3 of of the trace of the orthogonalised  $U_{ij}$  tensor.**

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
S2	10538.8 (8)	5056.2 (3)	6595.4 (3)	17.83 (12)
S1	2968.8 (9)	6786.6 (4)	10141.9 (3)	23.60 (12)
O4	9978 (2)	6067.2 (9)	5877.2 (9)	19.5 (3)
O1	4195 (2)	7115.3 (10)	7044.8 (9)	20.2 (3)
O2	7229 (2)	7323.5 (10)	2292.8 (9)	22.1 (3)
O3	2152 (3)	6630.2 (11)	9154.8 (10)	29.9 (3)
N6	6321 (3)	7296.2 (11)	3847.3 (10)	16.7 (3)
N10	-1079 (3)	9366.1 (11)	2020.5 (11)	19.4 (3)
N7	5614 (3)	7617.0 (11)	2916.9 (10)	16.9 (3)
N5	5196 (3)	7283.5 (11)	5443.1 (10)	15.3 (3)
N9	-723 (3)	9203.3 (11)	2933.1 (10)	17.9 (3)
N8	3334 (3)	8230.6 (11)	2574.8 (10)	16.9 (3)
N1	-317 (3)	8176.6 (12)	7678.8 (11)	19.4 (3)
N4	-2952 (3)	9196.6 (11)	6596.9 (11)	18.5 (3)
N3	-3928 (3)	9245.7 (12)	7503.0 (11)	22.2 (3)
N2	-2360 (3)	8634.1 (13)	8161.2 (11)	23.1 (3)
N11	-1703 (3)	9573.7 (13)	1237.0 (11)	27.2 (4)
C1	-681 (3)	8526.7 (12)	6724.1 (12)	15.7 (3)
C2	1070 (3)	8238.6 (12)	5942.4 (12)	14.9 (3)
C5	2121 (3)	8297.0 (12)	4246.0 (12)	14.8 (3)
C3	3554 (3)	7508.5 (12)	6207.5 (12)	15.0 (3)
C7	1653 (3)	8563.3 (12)	3241.4 (12)	15.7 (3)
C6	4529 (3)	7631.4 (12)	4497.1 (12)	14.1 (3)
C4	402 (3)	8612.1 (12)	4995.0 (12)	15.2 (3)
C11	8018 (3)	4350.2 (14)	6385.6 (15)	23.4 (4)
C10	9474 (4)	5353.5 (15)	7754.7 (14)	28.2 (4)
C8	3079 (5)	8128.6 (16)	10039.1 (15)	31.2 (4)
C9	6443 (4)	6321.3 (19)	10237.2 (18)	37.2 (5)

**Table S3: Anisotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for 5. The Anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2[h^2a^2U_{11}+2hka^*b^*U_{12}+\dots]$ .**

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
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S2	11.10 (19)	14.2 (2)	27.1 (2)	-0.94 (14)	-2.90 (15)	-1.42 (16)
S1	23.2 (2)	27.7 (2)	18.0 (2)	-4.40 (18)	-2.68 (16)	1.85 (17)
O4	15.7 (5)	16.4 (6)	24.7 (6)	-1.4 (4)	-2.2 (5)	0.3 (5)
O1	17.8 (6)	23.8 (6)	16.3 (6)	0.8 (5)	-2.1 (5)	0.4 (5)
O2	20.8 (6)	25.6 (6)	19.4 (6)	0.4 (5)	4.2 (5)	-7.2 (5)
O3	34.1 (8)	32.6 (8)	21.9 (7)	-3.6 (6)	-9.9 (6)	-1.8 (6)
N6	16.6 (6)	16.4 (7)	16.6 (7)	-1.8 (5)	-1.1 (5)	-2.5 (5)
N10	19.4 (7)	17.7 (7)	18.8 (7)	1.9 (6)	-0.6 (6)	-1.8 (5)
N7	16.9 (6)	16.6 (7)	17.5 (7)	-2.7 (5)	1.1 (5)	-4.0 (5)
N5	12.3 (6)	16.0 (6)	16.3 (7)	-0.1 (5)	-2.0 (5)	-1.2 (5)
N9	18.4 (7)	18.8 (7)	14.7 (6)	1.1 (5)	-2.6 (5)	-1.7 (5)
N8	16.2 (6)	16.1 (6)	17.4 (7)	-0.7 (5)	-1.9 (5)	-1.8 (5)
N1	16.1 (7)	23.2 (7)	17.8 (7)	0.6 (6)	-0.9 (6)	-4.5 (6)
N4	16.4 (7)	18.3 (7)	19.8 (7)	0.5 (5)	0.1 (5)	-3.4 (6)
N3	19.6 (7)	25.5 (8)	20.5 (7)	0.5 (6)	1.3 (6)	-5.8 (6)
N2	19.6 (7)	28.4 (8)	20.0 (7)	1.1 (6)	1.1 (6)	-6.1 (6)
N11	30.5 (8)	27.5 (8)	18.9 (8)	5.0 (7)	-2.6 (6)	-0.6 (6)
C1	14.5 (7)	15.0 (7)	17.9 (8)	-2.7 (6)	-1.4 (6)	-3.2 (6)
C2	13.2 (7)	13.5 (7)	18.1 (8)	-2.6 (6)	-1.4 (6)	-2.5 (6)
C5	14.9 (7)	13.3 (7)	16.4 (7)	-3.2 (6)	-2.2 (6)	-2.0 (6)
C3	12.9 (7)	14.8 (7)	17.7 (7)	-2.7 (6)	-1.0 (6)	-3.5 (6)
C7	16.1 (7)	12.7 (7)	18.1 (8)	-2.7 (6)	-1.3 (6)	-1.7 (6)
C6	13.9 (7)	11.8 (7)	17.2 (8)	-3.4 (6)	0.0 (6)	-3.1 (6)
C4	14.5 (7)	12.8 (7)	18.0 (8)	-2.1 (6)	-2.0 (6)	-1.9 (6)
C11	16.6 (8)	21.8 (8)	33.1 (10)	-6.6 (7)	-0.3 (7)	-5.2 (7)
C10	38.0 (11)	23.3 (9)	20.8 (9)	0.9 (8)	-9.3 (8)	-1.4 (7)
C8	43.3 (12)	25.9 (10)	22.4 (9)	0.8 (9)	1.7 (8)	-4.9 (8)
C9	27.2 (10)	39.4 (12)	44.9 (13)	5.6 (9)	-13.6 (9)	-16.5 (10)

**Table S4: Bond Lengths for 5.**

Atom	Atom	Length/Å	Atom	Atom	Length/Å
S2	O4	1.5239 (12)	N5	C6	1.353 (2)
S2	C11	1.7795 (18)	N9	C7	1.390 (2)
S2	C10	1.782 (2)	N8	C7	1.333 (2)
S1	O3	1.5053 (14)	N1	N2	1.345 (2)
S1	C8	1.781 (2)	N1	C1	1.340 (2)
S1	C9	1.780 (2)	N4	N3	1.357 (2)
O1	C3	1.223 (2)	N4	C1	1.333 (2)
O2	N7	1.2523 (18)	N3	N2	1.305 (2)
N6	N7	1.3327 (19)	C1	C2	1.456 (2)
N6	C6	1.350 (2)	C2	C3	1.474 (2)
N10	N9	1.266 (2)	C2	C4	1.360 (2)
N10	N11	1.120 (2)	C5	C7	1.401 (2)
N7	N8	1.3495 (19)	C5	C6	1.402 (2)

N5 C3 1.384(2) C5 C4 1.423(2)

**Table S5: Bond Angles for 5.**

Atom	Atom	Atom	Angle/°	Atom	Atom	Atom	Angle/°
C11	S2	O4	105.74(8)	C2	C1	N1	126.82(15)
C10	S2	O4	106.51(8)	C2	C1	N4	124.74(15)
C10	S2	C11	98.35(10)	C3	C2	C1	118.05(14)
C8	S1	O3	106.11(9)	C4	C2	C1	120.98(14)
C9	S1	O3	105.82(10)	C4	C2	C3	120.95(15)
C9	S1	C8	97.88(11)	C6	C5	C7	113.89(15)
C6	N6	N7	115.08(13)	C4	C5	C7	126.70(15)
N11	N10	N9	171.20(17)	C4	C5	C6	119.40(15)
N6	N7	O2	116.91(14)	N5	C3	O1	120.36(14)
N8	N7	O2	116.37(14)	C2	C3	O1	123.62(15)
N8	N7	N6	126.73(14)	C2	C3	N5	116.02(14)
C6	N5	C3	123.47(14)	N8	C7	N9	118.77(15)
C7	N9	N10	114.02(14)	C5	C7	N9	117.42(15)
C7	N8	N7	116.12(14)	C5	C7	N8	123.81(15)
C1	N1	N2	108.71(14)	N5	C6	N6	115.43(14)
C1	N4	N3	105.56(14)	C5	C6	N6	124.33(15)
N2	N3	N4	110.92(14)	C5	C6	N5	120.23(15)
N3	N2	N1	106.37(14)	C5	C4	C2	119.73(15)
N4	C1	N1	108.43(15)				

**Table S6: Torsion Angles for 5.**

A	B	C	D	Angle/°	A	B	C	D	Angle/°
O1	C3	N5	C6	175.13(15)	N5	C6	C5	C7	177.80(15)
O1	C3	C2	C1	1.64(19)	N5	C6	C5	C4	0.71(18)
O1	C3	C2	C4	176.76(16)	N9	C7	C5	C6	178.61(15)
O2	N7	N6	C6	179.83(14)	N9	C7	C5	C4	0.22(19)
O2	N7	N8	C7	178.26(14)	N8	C7	C5	C6	-0.70(18)
N6	N7	N8	C7	1.48(18)	N8	C7	C5	C4	179.09(15)
N6	C6	N5	C3	177.01(13)	N1	N2	N3	N4	0.09(16)
N6	C6	C5	C7	2.46(18)	N1	C1	N4	N3	0.54(15)
N6	C6	C5	C4	179.03(16)	N1	C1	C2	C3	-1.8(2)
N10	N9	C7	N8	3.01(17)	N1	C1	C2	C4	176.58(17)
N10	N9	C7	C5	176.33(14)	N4	C1	C2	C3	178.20(16)
N7	N8	C7	N9	179.61(14)	N4	C1	C2	C4	-3.4(2)

N7 N8C7C5	-1.09 (17)	C1 C2 C4 C5	178.45 (15)
N5 C3 C2 C1	177.94 (14)	C2 C4 C5 C7	176.15 (15)
N5 C3 C2 C4	3.66 (17)	C2 C4 C5 C6	-2.16 (18)

**Table S7: Hydrogen Atom Coordinates ( $\text{\AA} \times 10^4$ ) and Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for 5.**

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
H4	-1207 (3)	9081.6 (12)	4833.8 (12)	18.2 (4)
H11a	6273 (3)	4774 (4)	6440 (11)	35.0 (6)
H11b	8214 (18)	4171 (10)	5732 (4)	35.0 (6)
H11c	8177 (18)	3717 (6)	6870 (7)	35.0 (6)
H10a	10668 (19)	5764 (11)	7985 (5)	42.3 (6)
H10b	7667 (13)	5749 (11)	7698 (3)	42.3 (6)
H10c	9500 (30)	4710.9 (15)	8218 (3)	42.3 (6)
H8a	4290 (20)	8329 (3)	9517 (8)	46.9 (7)
H8b	1299 (7)	8528.3 (17)	9889 (12)	46.9 (7)
H8c	3710 (30)	8267 (3)	10655 (4)	46.9 (7)
H9a	6782 (5)	5573 (3)	10250 (13)	55.8 (8)
H9b	7335 (6)	6660 (10)	9676 (7)	55.8 (8)
H9c	7127 (7)	6474 (12)	10838 (7)	55.8 (8)
H1	860 (60)	7750 (20)	7990 (20)	42 (7)
H5	6640 (50)	6860 (20)	5588 (18)	36 (7)



**Figure S2: Molecular structure of Compound 8.**

**Table S8: Crystal data and structure refinement for 8.**

CCDC No.	2498161
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_2\text{N}_{28}\text{O}_2$
Formula weight	594.44
Temperature/K	100.0

Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /n
a/Å	12.339(3)
b/Å	6.4087(16)
c/Å	14.207(3)
α/°	90
β/°	102.801(7)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	1095.5(5)
Z	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> /g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.802
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.142
F(000)	596.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.12 × 0.12 × 0.1
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.952 to 56.708
Index ranges	-16 ≤ h ≤ 16, -8 ≤ k ≤ 8, -18 ≤ l ≤ 18
Reflections collected	14866
Independent reflections	2725 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0605, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0458]
Data/restraints/parameters	2725/0/203
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.058
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0498, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1057
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0839, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1220
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.28/-0.31

**Table S9: Fractional Atomic Coordinates (×10<sup>4</sup>) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>×10<sup>3</sup>) for 8. U<sub>eq</sub> is defined as 1/3 of of the trace of the orthogonalised U<sub>ij</sub> tensor.**

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
O1	1097.3 (12)	192 (2)	3985.7 (12)	28.0 (4)
N1	6119.9 (14)	8804 (3)	3969.9 (13)	21.0 (4)
N14	1014.1 (17)	7153 (3)	5743.6 (16)	32.5 (5)
N2	7048.5 (15)	9623 (3)	3803.2 (14)	23.7 (4)
N3	7424.2 (15)	8287 (3)	3249.3 (14)	22.5 (4)
N4	6798.3 (14)	6602 (3)	3024.5 (13)	21.2 (4)
N13	1689.3 (16)	6728 (3)	5371.0 (14)	25.9 (4)
N12	2526.7 (15)	6543 (3)	4979.9 (14)	22.7 (4)
N7	4185.8 (15)	681 (3)	2340.8 (14)	23.0 (4)
N5	5583.5 (14)	2837 (3)	2363.9 (14)	21.5 (4)
N6	5067.2 (15)	1034 (3)	2012.5 (14)	24.2 (4)
N8	4110.7 (14)	2324 (3)	2931.1 (13)	18.8 (4)
N9	2544.8 (14)	1152 (3)	3419.3 (13)	21.2 (4)
N11	1775.7 (14)	3261 (3)	4505.8 (13)	21.0 (4)
N10	1812.1 (14)	1541 (3)	3965.6 (13)	21.3 (4)

C7	5990.9 (17)	6980 (3)	3483.5 (15)	18.9 (4)
C5	4973.7 (16)	3654 (3)	2933.3 (15)	18.6 (4)
C6	2535.0 (17)	4713 (3)	4480.2 (16)	19.5 (4)
C1	3389.3 (16)	4497 (3)	3969.7 (15)	18.5 (4)
C4	5061.9 (16)	5558 (3)	3471.2 (15)	18.7 (4)
C3	4254.4 (16)	5962 (3)	3965.9 (15)	19.2 (4)
C2	3308.5 (16)	2641 (3)	3454.4 (15)	18.5 (4)

**Table S10: Anisotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for 8. The Anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2[h^2a^*2U_{11}+2hka^*b^*U_{12}+\dots]$ .**

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{23}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{12}$
O1	22.7 (8)	23.8 (8)	39.0 (10)	-0.6 (7)	9.9 (7)	-8.0 (7)
N1	18.8 (8)	18.5 (9)	27.4 (10)	-1.8 (8)	9.0 (7)	-2.5 (7)
N14	31.4 (11)	27.6 (11)	44.4 (13)	-3.1 (10)	20.5 (10)	-2.1 (9)
N2	21.8 (9)	21.6 (9)	30.0 (11)	1.6 (8)	10.8 (8)	0.6 (8)
N3	21.1 (9)	19.1 (9)	29.5 (11)	-0.7 (8)	10.7 (8)	-2.0 (7)
N4	19.9 (9)	18.9 (9)	27.4 (10)	0.0 (8)	10.6 (7)	-3.0 (7)
N13	25.9 (10)	21.1 (10)	34.0 (11)	-2.1 (8)	13.4 (9)	-2.7 (8)
N12	22.4 (9)	19.8 (9)	30.5 (10)	-2.2 (8)	15.6 (8)	-0.8 (7)
N7	22.4 (9)	21.5 (9)	26.6 (10)	-5.0 (8)	8.5 (8)	1.1 (7)
N5	19.6 (8)	20.2 (9)	25.7 (10)	-1.8 (8)	7.1 (7)	1.8 (7)
N6	21.3 (9)	23.6 (9)	28.4 (11)	-4.6 (8)	7.0 (8)	-0.2 (8)
N8	19.3 (8)	16.3 (8)	21.9 (9)	-3.5 (7)	6.8 (7)	0.4 (7)
N9	19.3 (8)	20.7 (9)	24.6 (10)	-1.0 (8)	7.0 (7)	-2.1 (7)
N11	20.7 (9)	18.6 (9)	24.4 (10)	-0.5 (8)	6.6 (7)	-0.9 (7)
N10	20.0 (9)	20.8 (9)	24.2 (10)	0.0 (8)	7.1 (7)	-0.5 (7)
C7	18.8 (9)	18.7 (10)	20.1 (11)	1.7 (9)	6.6 (8)	1.6 (8)
C5	16.2 (9)	18.4 (10)	21.9 (11)	1.9 (9)	5.5 (8)	-0.1 (8)
C6	18.6 (10)	18.7 (10)	22.4 (11)	2.9 (9)	7.2 (9)	2.0 (8)
C1	18.0 (10)	18.3 (10)	19.7 (11)	1.2 (8)	5.3 (8)	1.5 (8)
C4	17.4 (9)	18.1 (10)	21.5 (11)	1.8 (8)	6.1 (8)	1.1 (8)
C3	19.6 (10)	16.6 (10)	22.5 (11)	0.8 (9)	7.1 (8)	0.1 (8)
C2	17.2 (9)	18.2 (10)	20.7 (11)	2.2 (8)	5.5 (8)	0.7 (8)

**Table S11: Bond Lengths for 8.**

Atom	Atom	Length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atom	Atom	Length/ $\text{\AA}$
O1	N10	1.240 (2)	N8	C5	1.363 (3)
N1	N2	1.328 (2)	N8	C2	1.378 (3)
N1	C7	1.350 (3)	N9	N10	1.339 (2)
N14	N13	1.115 (3)	N9	C2	1.335 (3)
N2	N3	1.315 (3)	N11	N10	1.350 (3)
N3	N4	1.325 (2)	N11	C6	1.327 (3)
N4	C7	1.328 (3)	C7	C4	1.462 (3)

N13	N12	1.283(2)	C5	C4	1.431(3)
N12	C6	1.372(3)	C6	C1	1.412(3)
N7	N6	1.295(2)	C1	C3	1.423(3)
N7	N8	1.362(2)	C1	C2	1.389(3)
N5	N6	1.360(3)	C4	C3	1.365(3)
N5	C5	1.328(3)			

**Table S12: Bond Angles for 8.**

Atom	Atom	Atom	Angle/°	Atom	Atom	Atom	Angle/°
N2	N1	C7	105.04(17)	N4	C7	N1	113.14(18)
N3	N2	N1	106.38(17)	N4	C7	C4	123.51(19)
N2	N3	N4	114.26(17)	N5	C5	N8	107.44(18)
N3	N4	C7	101.17(17)	N5	C5	C4	132.46(19)
N14	N13	N12	170.5(2)	N8	C5	C4	120.08(18)
N13	N12	C6	113.72(18)	N12	C6	C1	116.21(19)
N6	N7	N8	105.32(17)	N11	C6	N12	119.93(18)
C5	N5	N6	106.03(17)	N11	C6	C1	123.9(2)
N7	N6	N5	112.23(17)	C6	C1	C3	125.7(2)
N7	N8	C5	108.97(17)	C2	C1	C6	112.35(19)
N7	N8	C2	126.94(17)	C2	C1	C3	121.98(19)
C5	N8	C2	124.09(18)	C5	C4	C7	120.32(18)
C2	N9	N10	114.00(18)	C3	C4	C7	122.35(19)
C6	N11	N10	116.40(17)	C3	C4	C5	117.33(19)
O1	N10	N9	117.27(18)	C4	C3	C1	120.7(2)
O1	N10	N11	116.30(17)	N8	C2	C1	115.75(18)
N9	N10	N11	126.43(17)	N9	C2	N8	117.39(19)
N1	C7	C4	123.34(19)	N9	C2	C1	126.86(19)

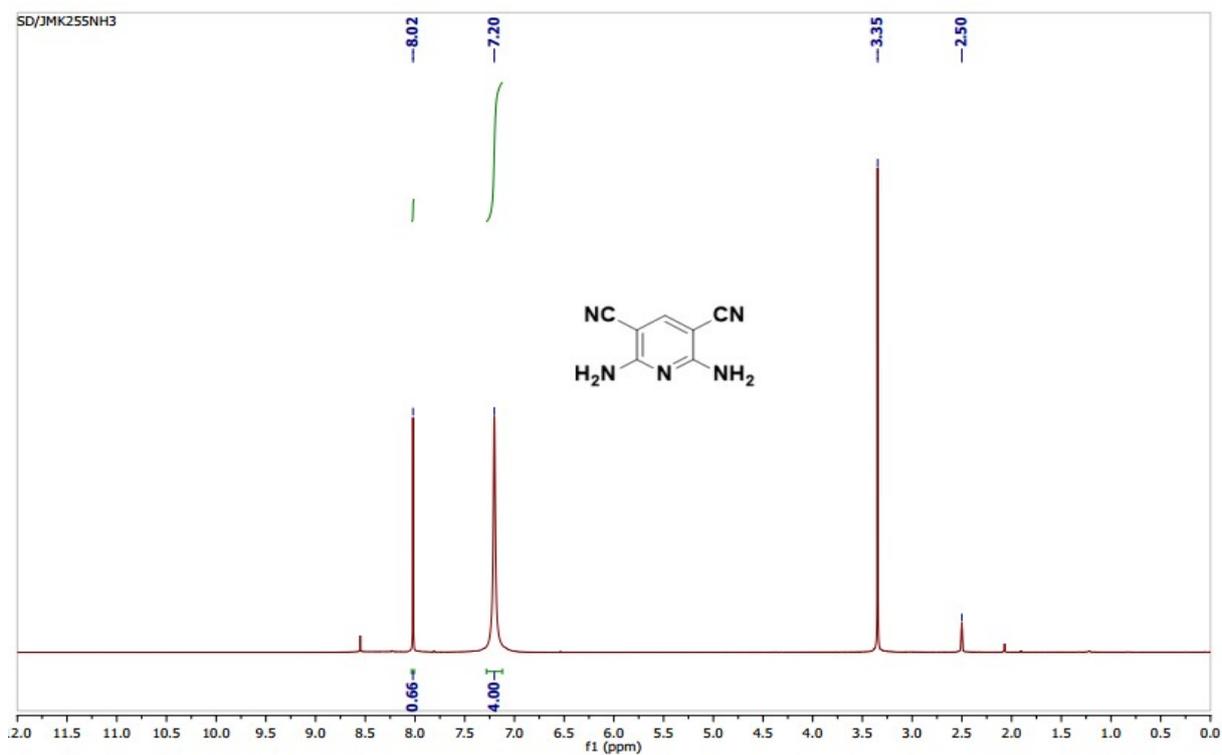
**Table S13: Torsion Angles for 8.**

A	B	C	D	Angle/°	A	B	C	D	Angle/°
N1	N2	N3	N4	0.3(2)	N8	C5	C4	C3	-0.2(3)
N1	C7	C4	C5	179.5(2)	N11	C6	C1	C3	-176.3(2)
N1	C7	C4	C3	-0.8(3)	N11	C6	C1	C2	3.3(3)
N2	N1	C7	N4	0.5(2)	N10	N9	C2	N8	178.27(17)
N2	N1	C7	C4	179.97(19)	N10	N9	C2	C1	-1.4(3)
N2	N3	N4	C7	0.0(2)	N10	N11	C6	N12	177.47(18)
N3	N4	C7	N1	-0.3(2)	N10	N11	C6	C1	-3.4(3)
N3	N4	C7	C4	179.78(19)	C7	N1	N2	N3	-0.5(2)
N4	C7	C4	C5	-1.0(3)	C7	C4	C3	C1	177.28(19)
N4	C7	C4	C3	178.6(2)	C5	N5	N6	N7	-0.8(2)
N13	N12	C6	N11	-5.7(3)	C5	N8	C2	N9	176.68(19)

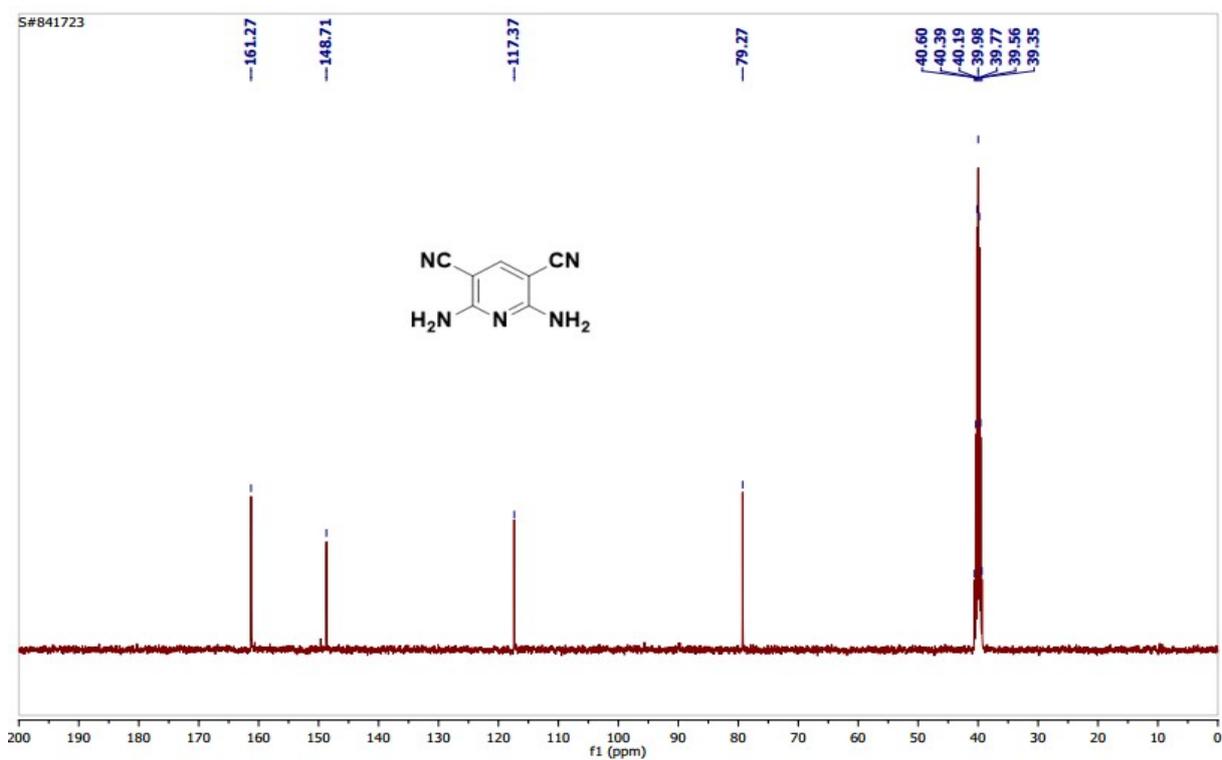
N13 N12 C6 C1	175.10 (19)	C5 N8 C2 C1	3.1 (3)
N12 C6 C1 C3	2.8 (3)	C5 C4 C3 C1	2.4 (3)
N12 C6 C1 C2	177.55 (19)	C6 N11 N10 O1	179.55 (18)
N7 N8 C5 N5	-0.8 (2)	C6 N11 N10 N9	0.9 (3)
N7 N8 C5 C4	177.56 (18)	C6 C1 C3 C4	177.7 (2)
N7 N8 C2 N9	3.1 (3)	C6 C1 C2 N8	179.56 (18)
N7 N8 C2 C1	177.17 (19)	C6 C1 C2 N9	-0.7 (3)
N5 C5 C4 C7	-2.7 (4)	C3 C1 C2 N8	-0.8 (3)
N5 C5 C4 C3	177.7 (2)	C3 C1 C2 N9	178.9 (2)
N6 N7 N8 C5	0.3 (2)	C2 N8 C5 N5	179.00 (18)
N6 N7 N8 C2	179.49 (19)	C2 N8 C5 C4	-2.6 (3)
N6 N5 C5 N8	0.9 (2)	C2 N9 N10 O1	178.13 (18)
N6 N5 C5 C4	-177.1 (2)	C2 N9 N10 N11	1.4 (3)
N8 N7 N6 N5	0.3 (2)	C2 C1 C3 C4	-1.9 (3)
N8 C5 C4 C7	179.43 (19)		

**Table S14: Hydrogen Atom Coordinates ( $\text{\AA} \times 10^4$ ) and Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for **8**.**

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	U(eq)
H3A	4270.43	7235.66	4311.13	23
H3	8140 (20)	8510 (50)	3000 (20)	56 (9)



**Figure S3:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Compound **3** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 400 MHz).



**Figure S4:**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of compound **3** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 100 MHz).

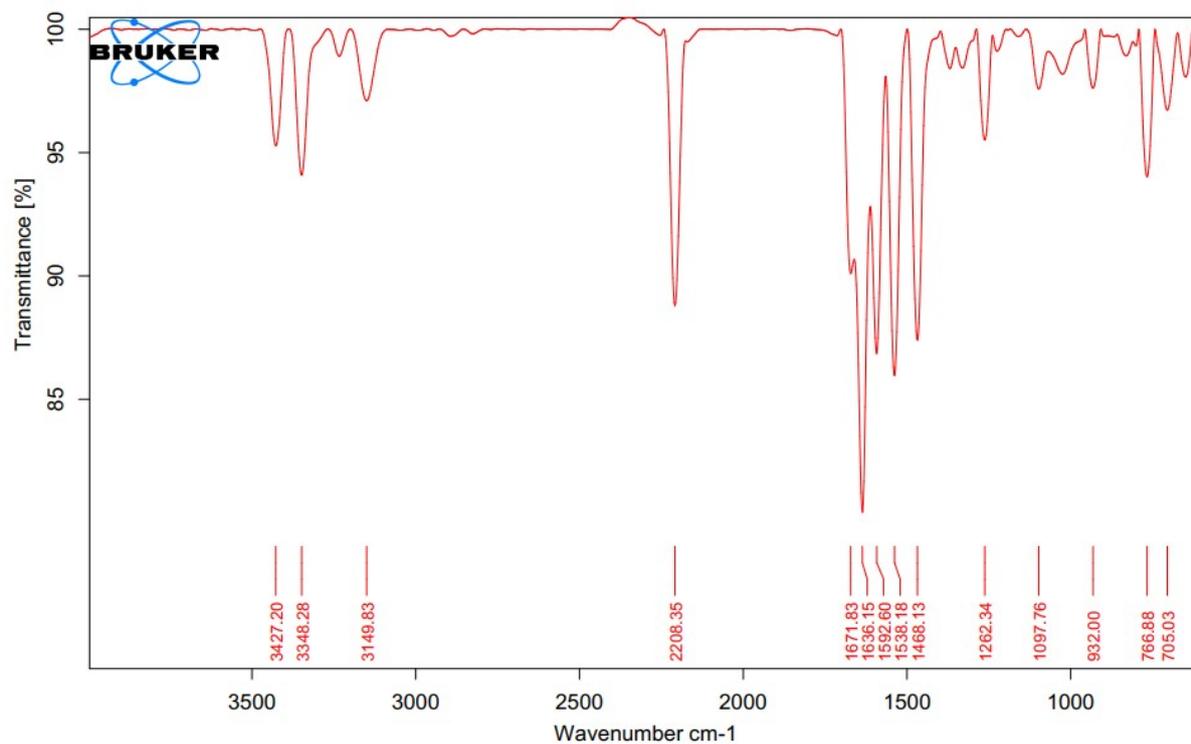


Figure S5: IR spectrum of compound 3.

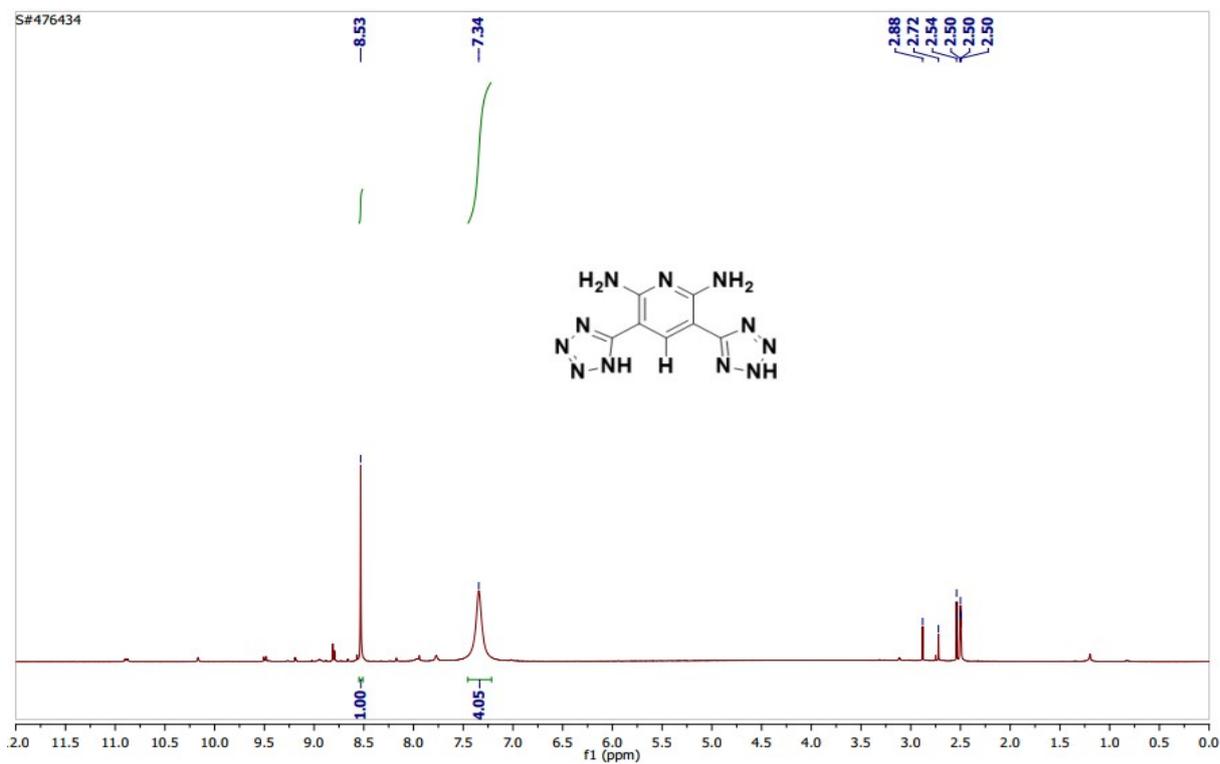


Figure S6: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of Compound 4 (recorded in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>; 400 MHz).

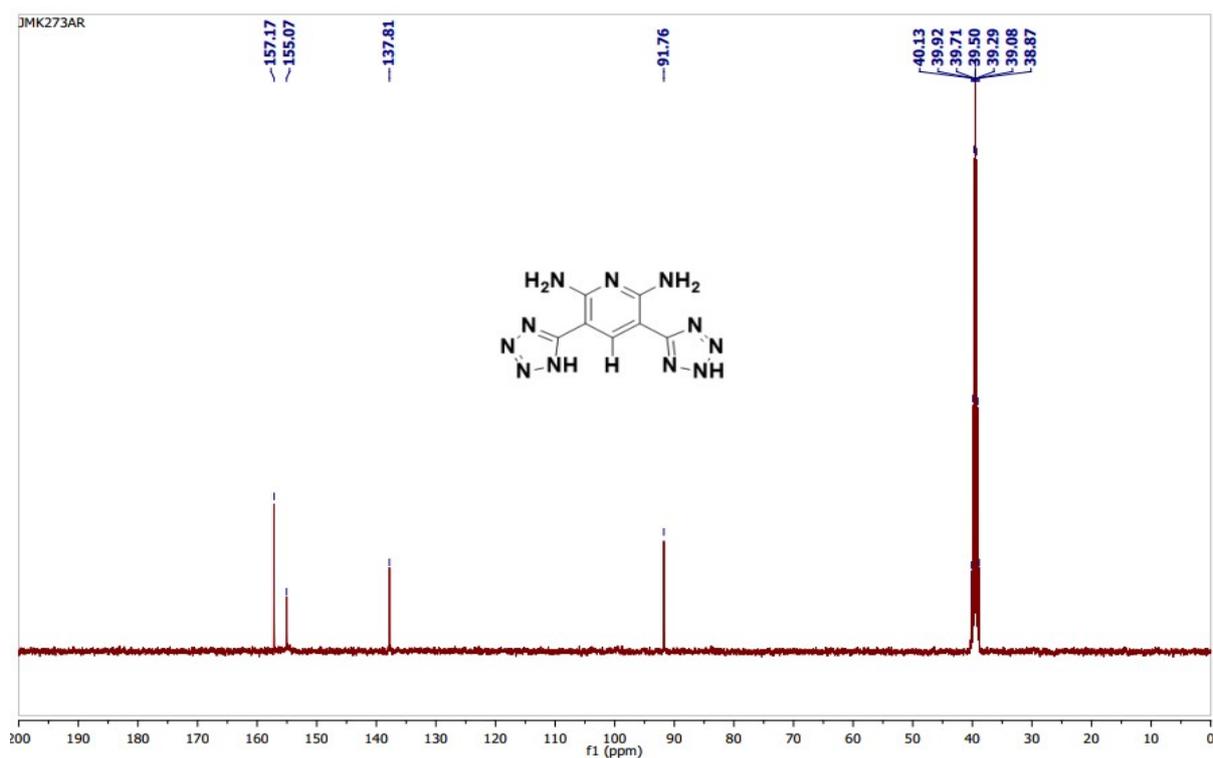


Figure S7:  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of compound 4 (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 100 MHz).

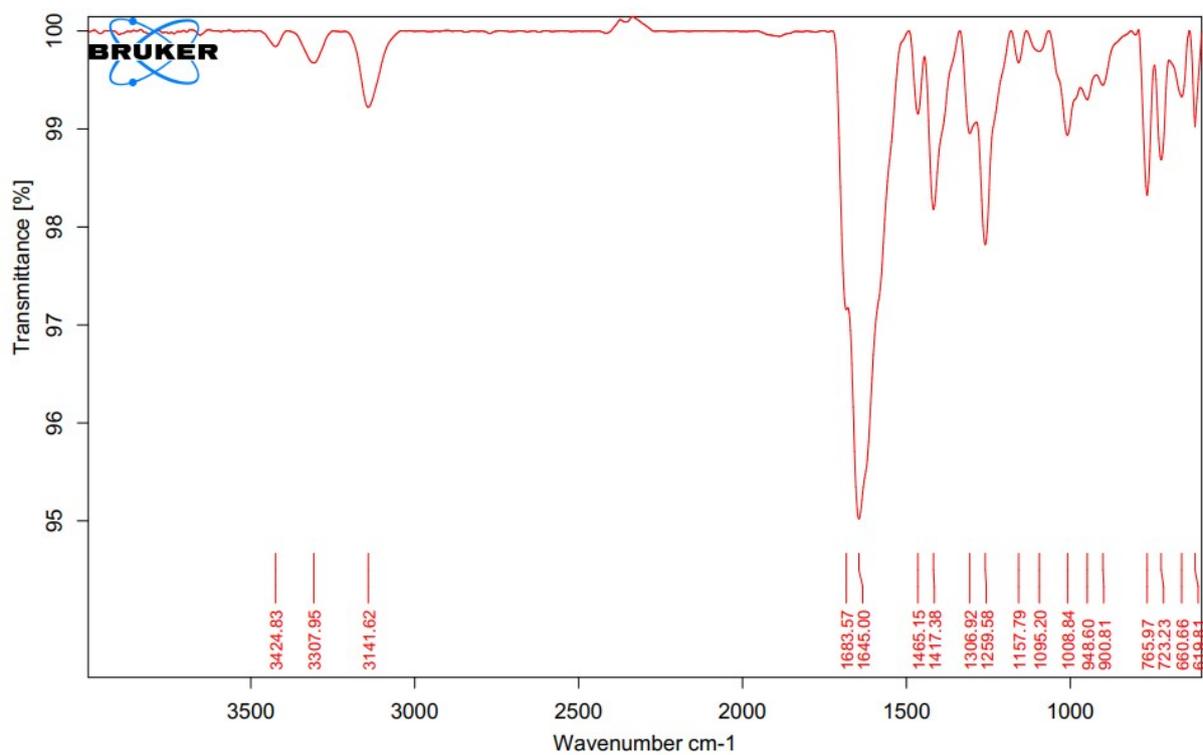


Figure S8: IR spectrum of compound 4.

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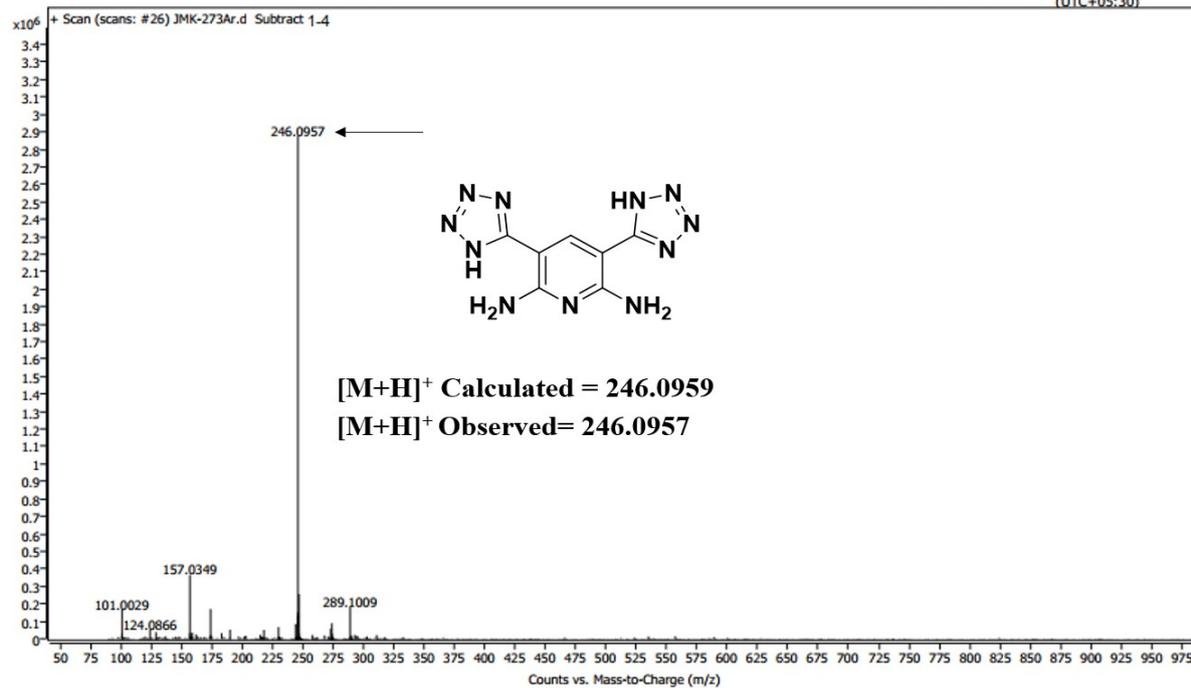


Figure S9: Mass spectrum of compound 4.

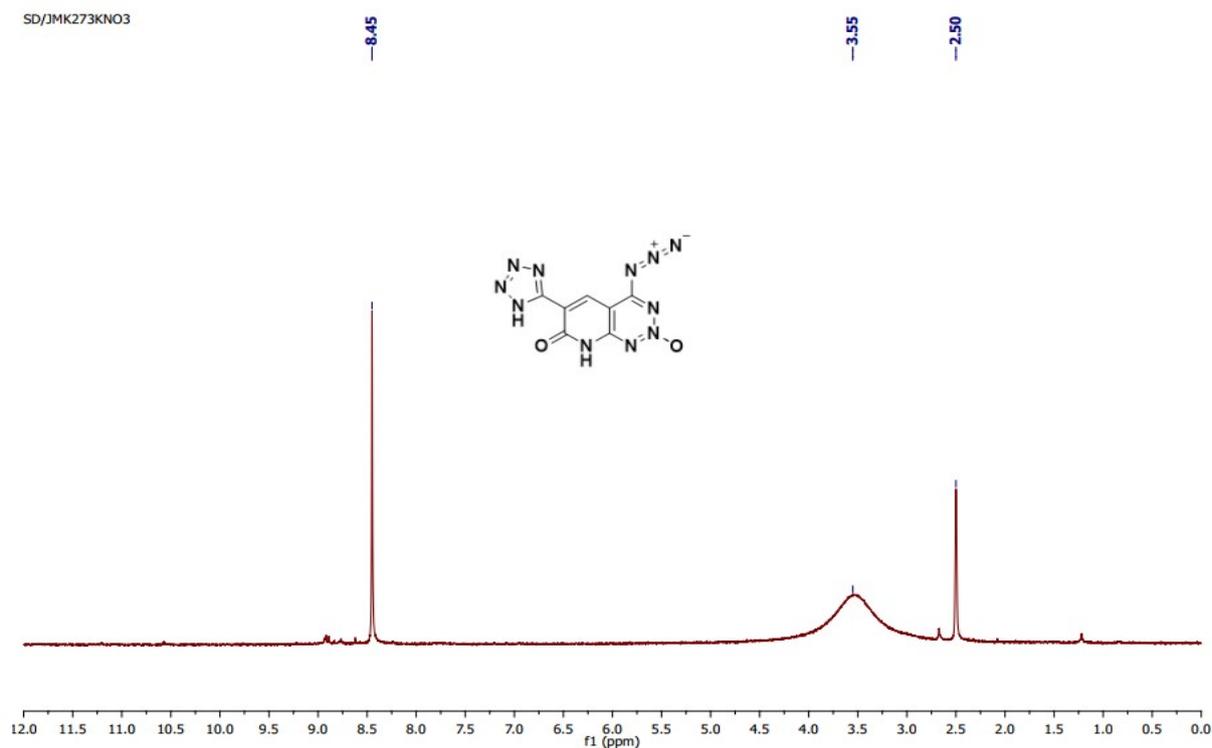


Figure S10:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Compound 5 (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 400 MHz).

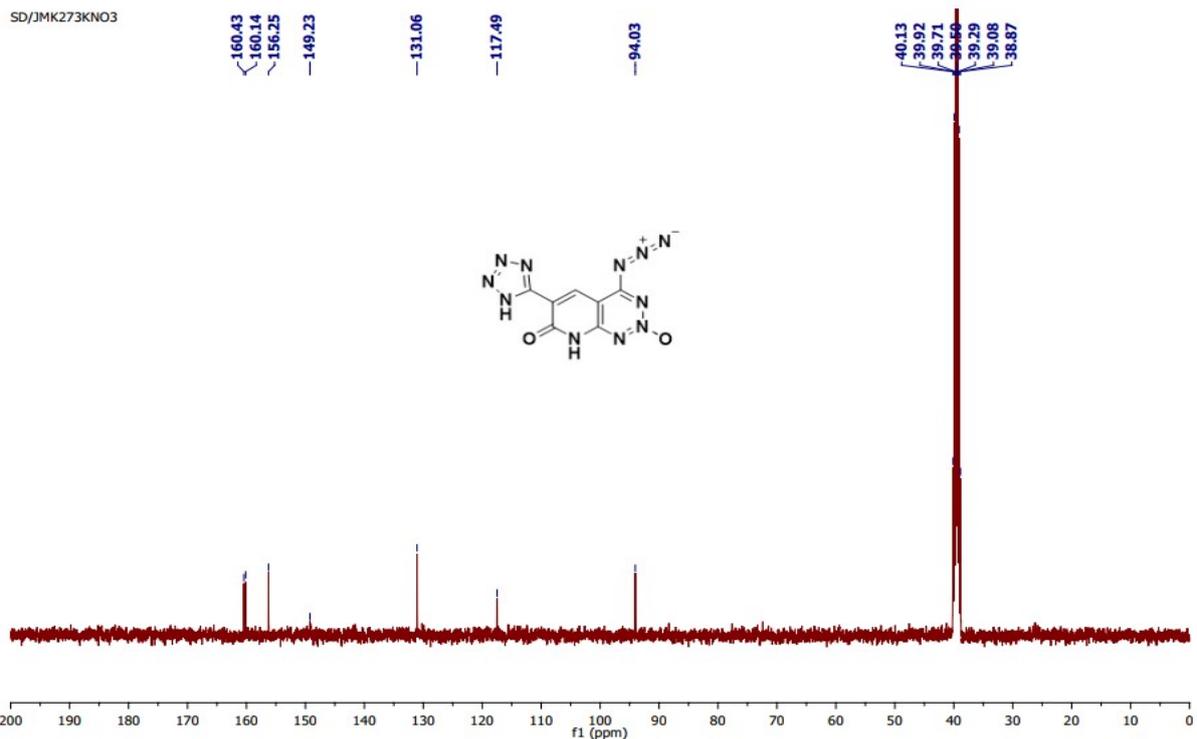


Figure S11:  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of compound **5** (recorded in DMSO- $d_6$ ; 100 MHz).

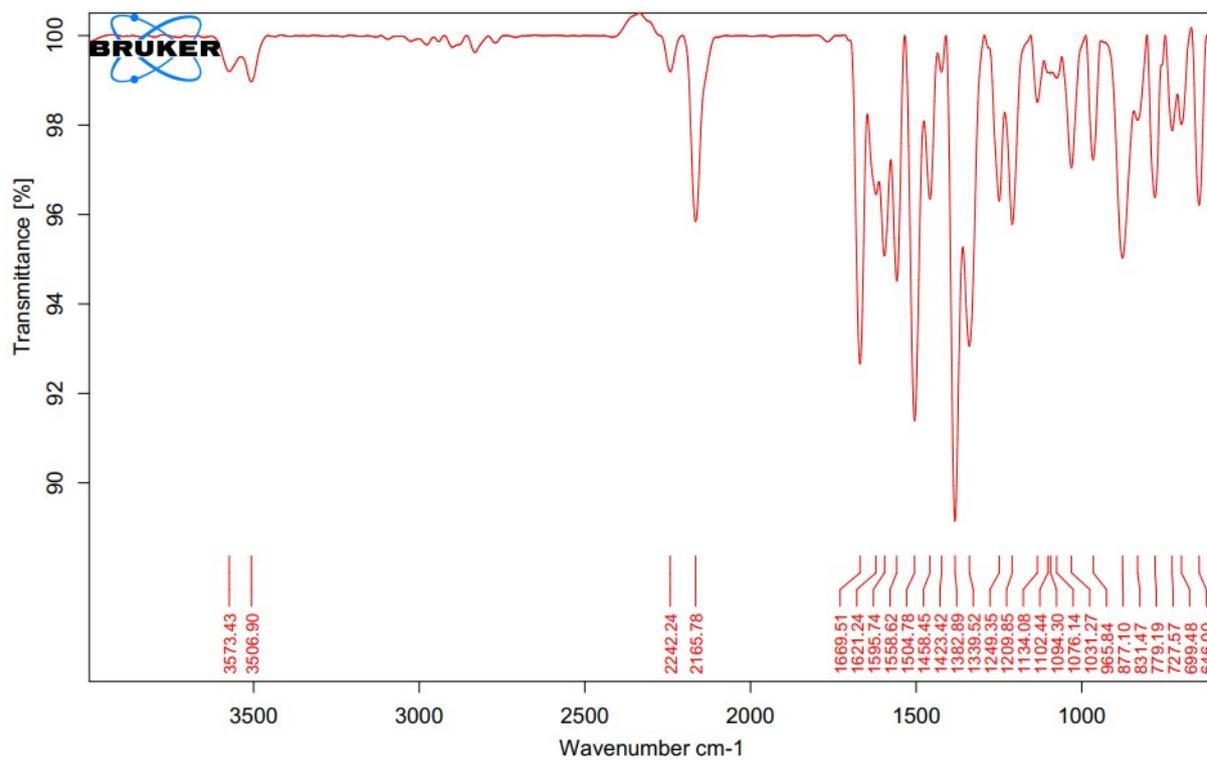
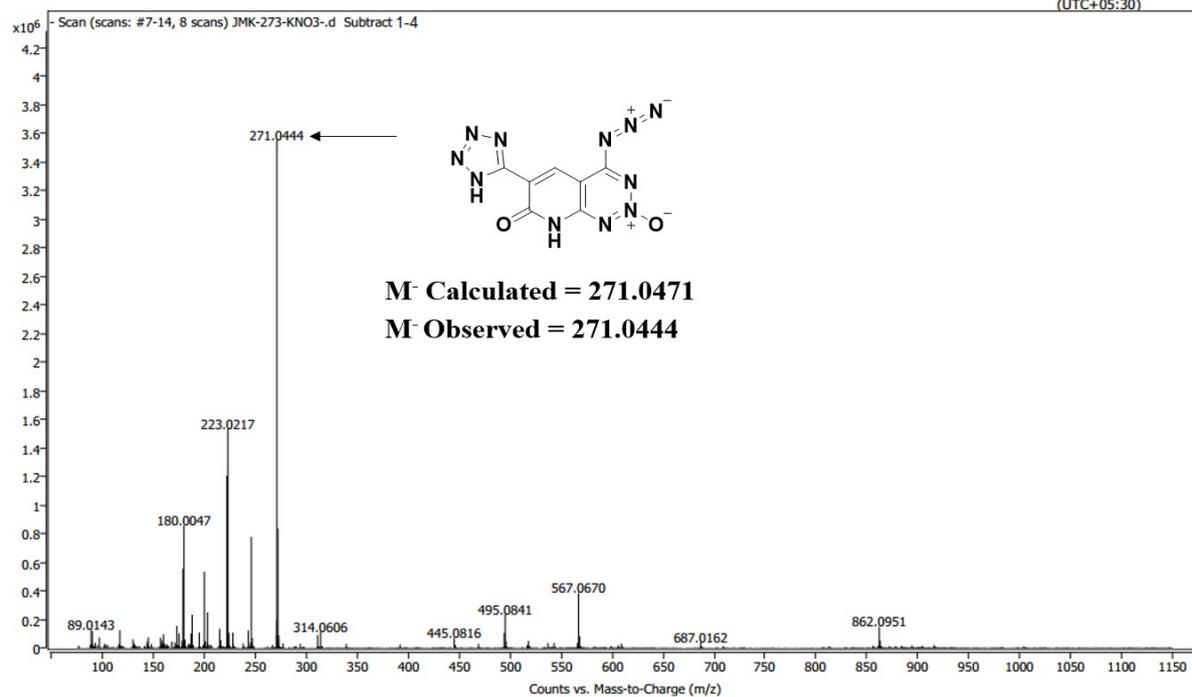


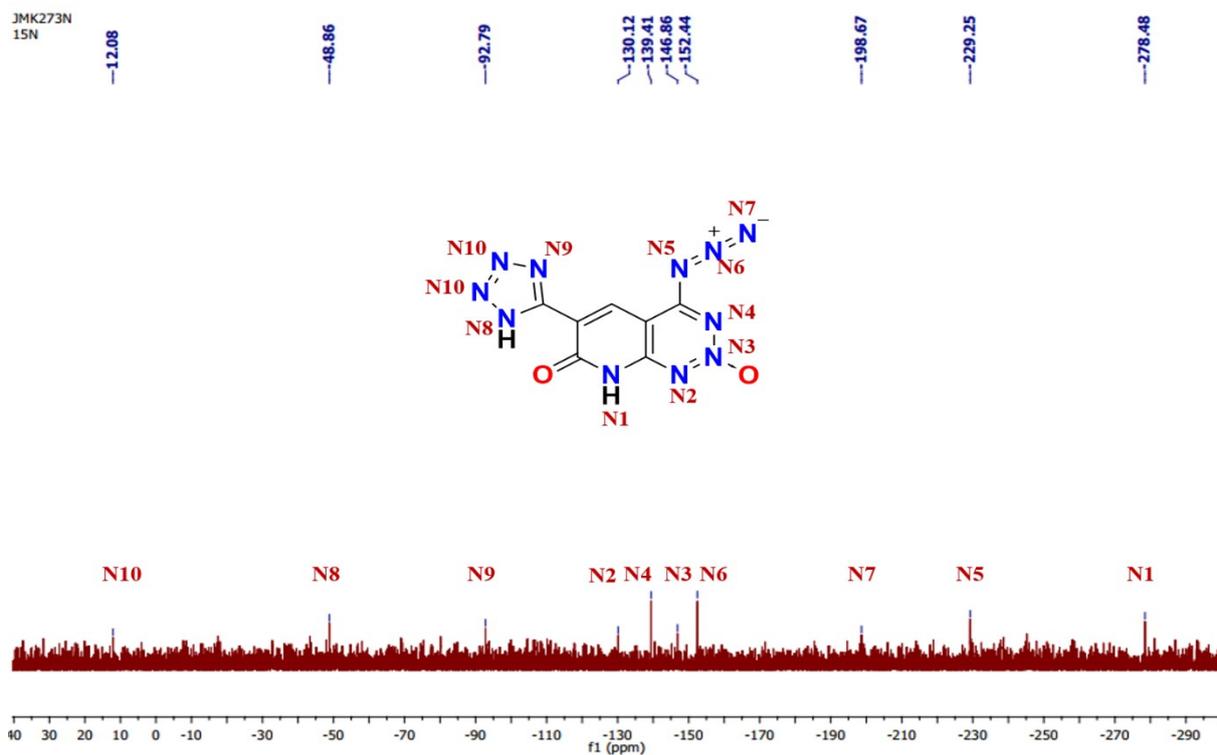
Figure S12: IR spectrum of compound **5**.

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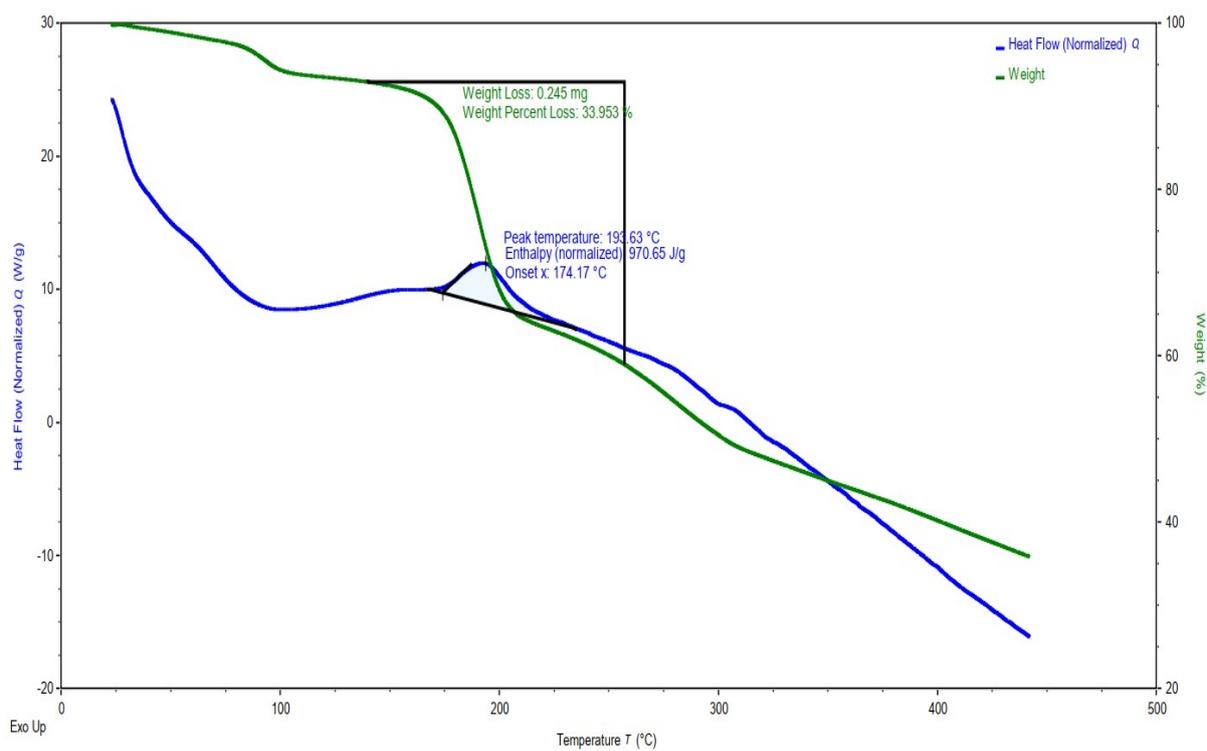
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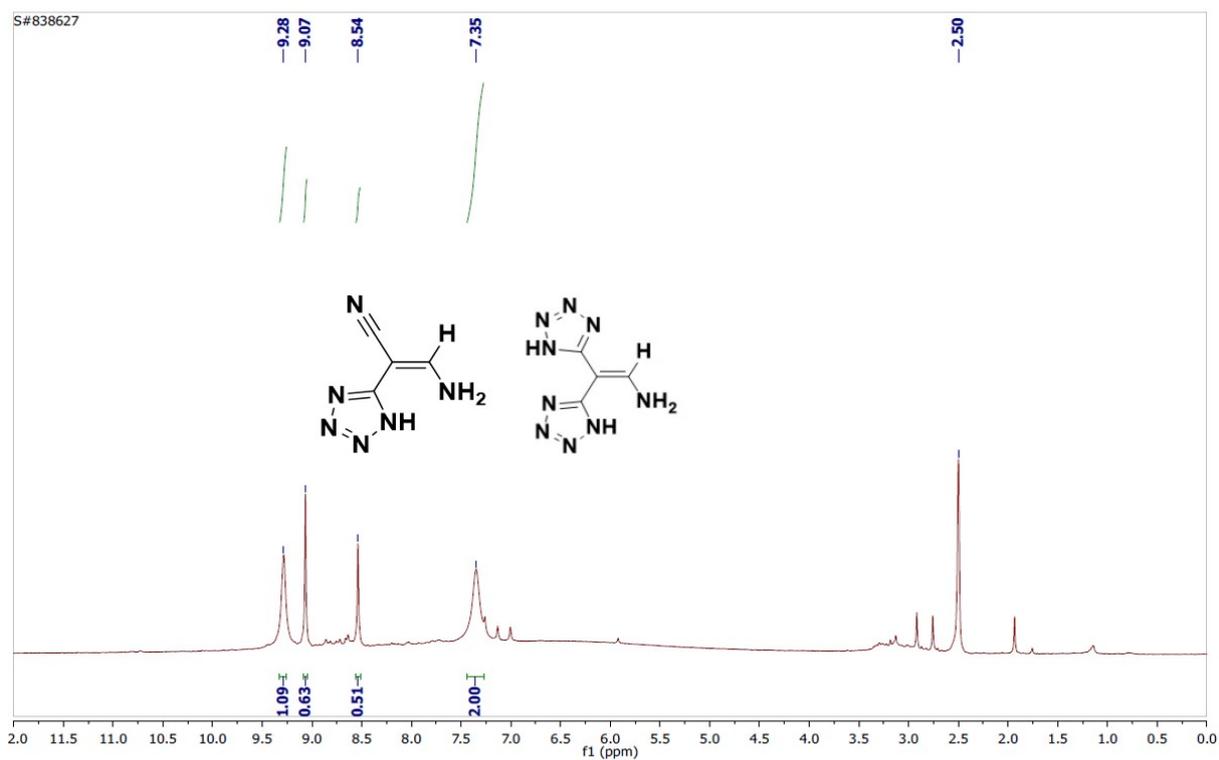
**Figure S13:** Mass spectrum of compound 5.



**Figure S14:** <sup>15</sup>N NMR of compound 5.



**Figure S15:** TGA-DSC of compound **5**.



**Figure S16:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Compound **7M** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 400 MHz).

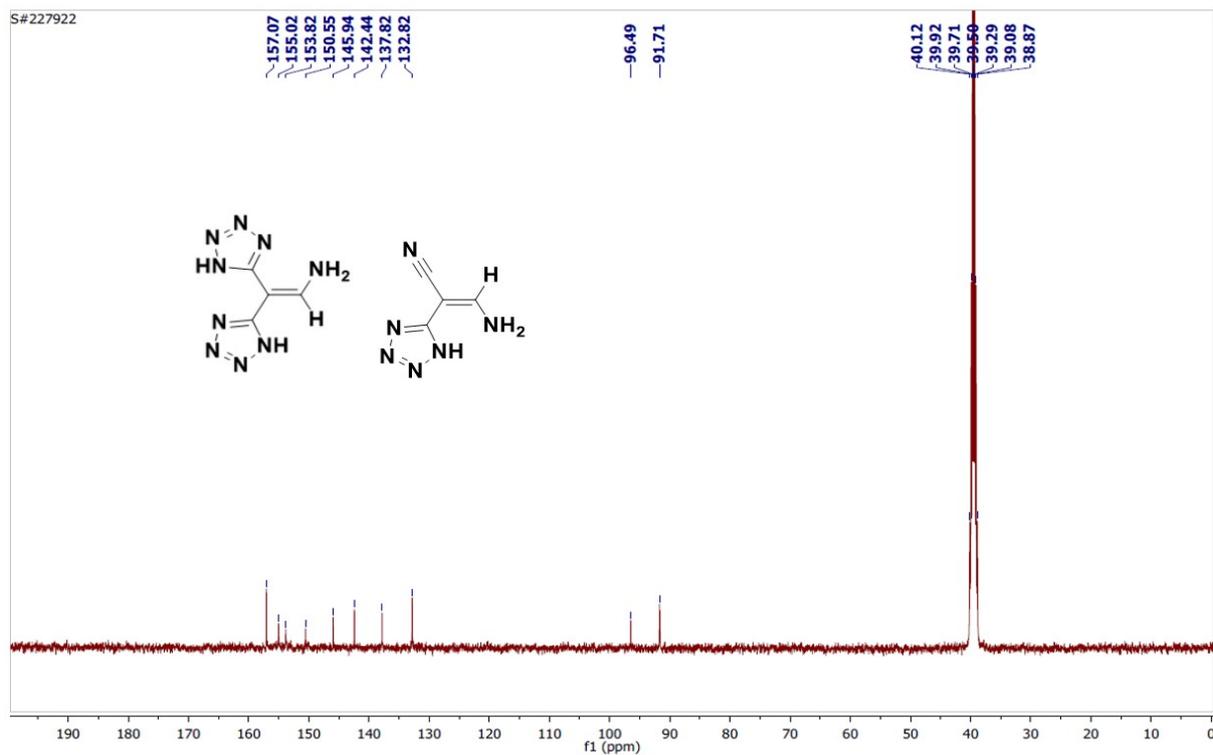


Figure S17:  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of compound **7M** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 100 MHz).

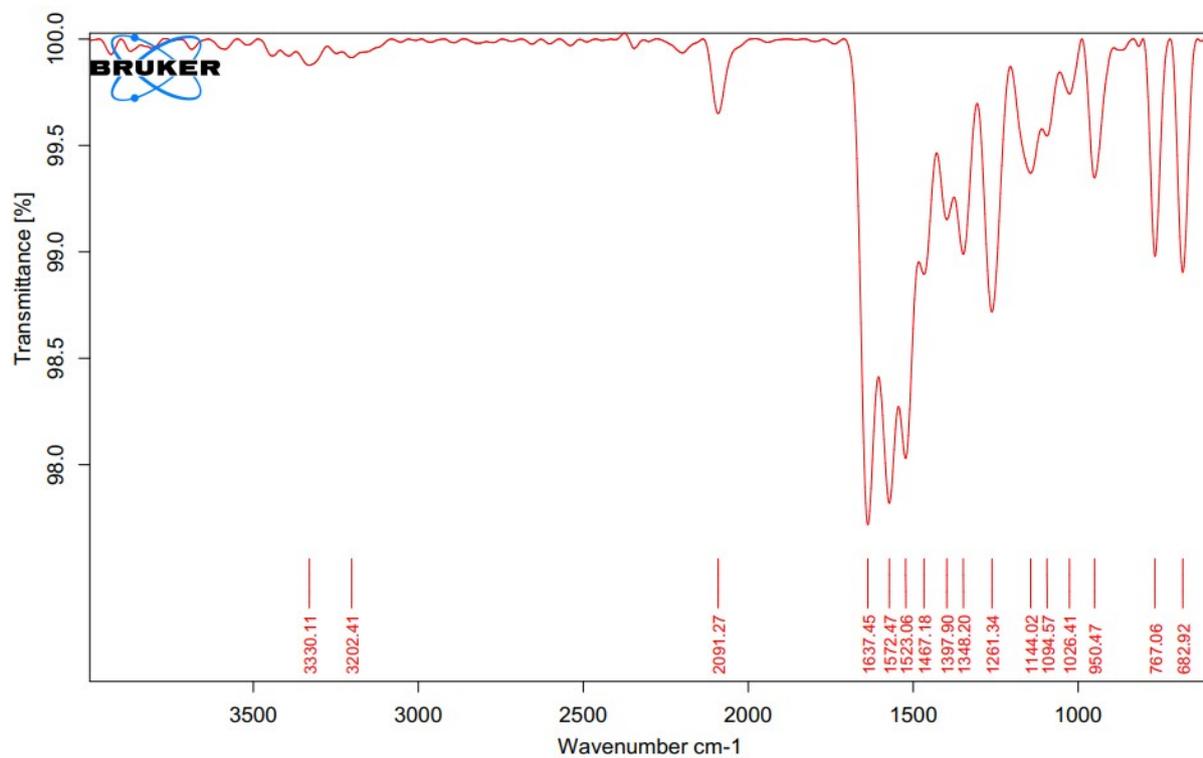
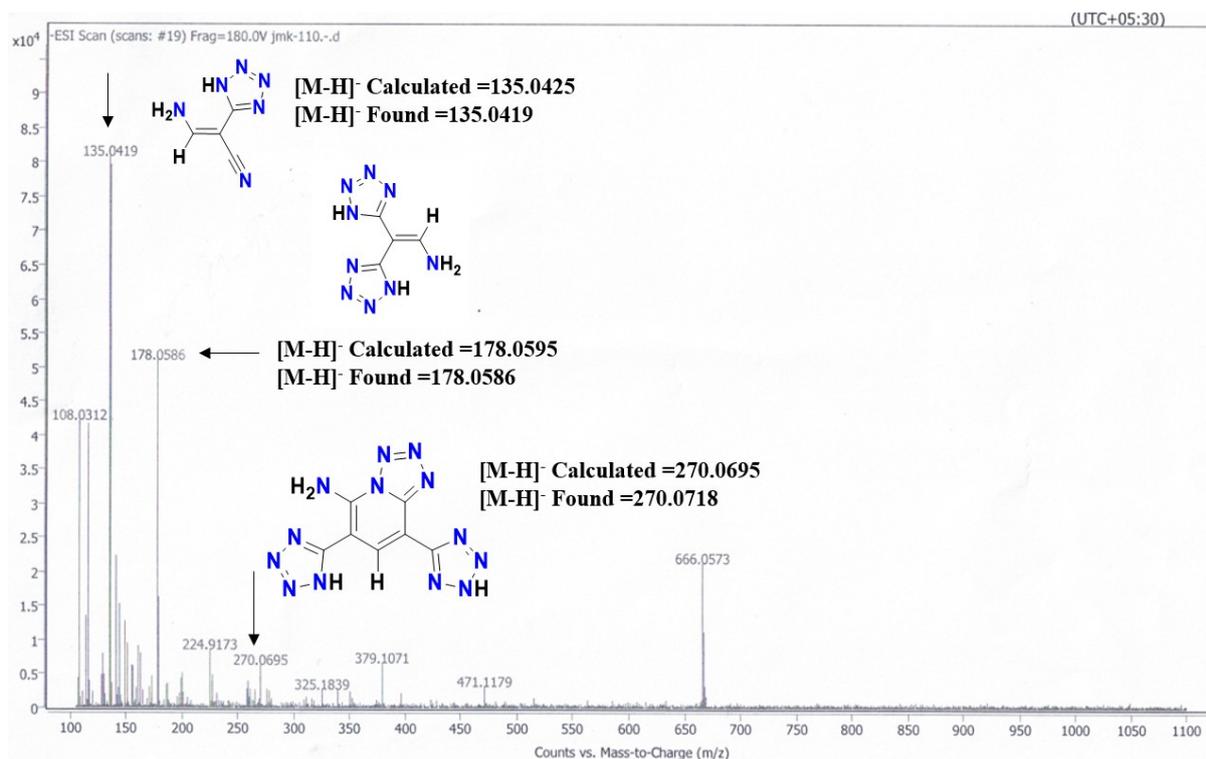
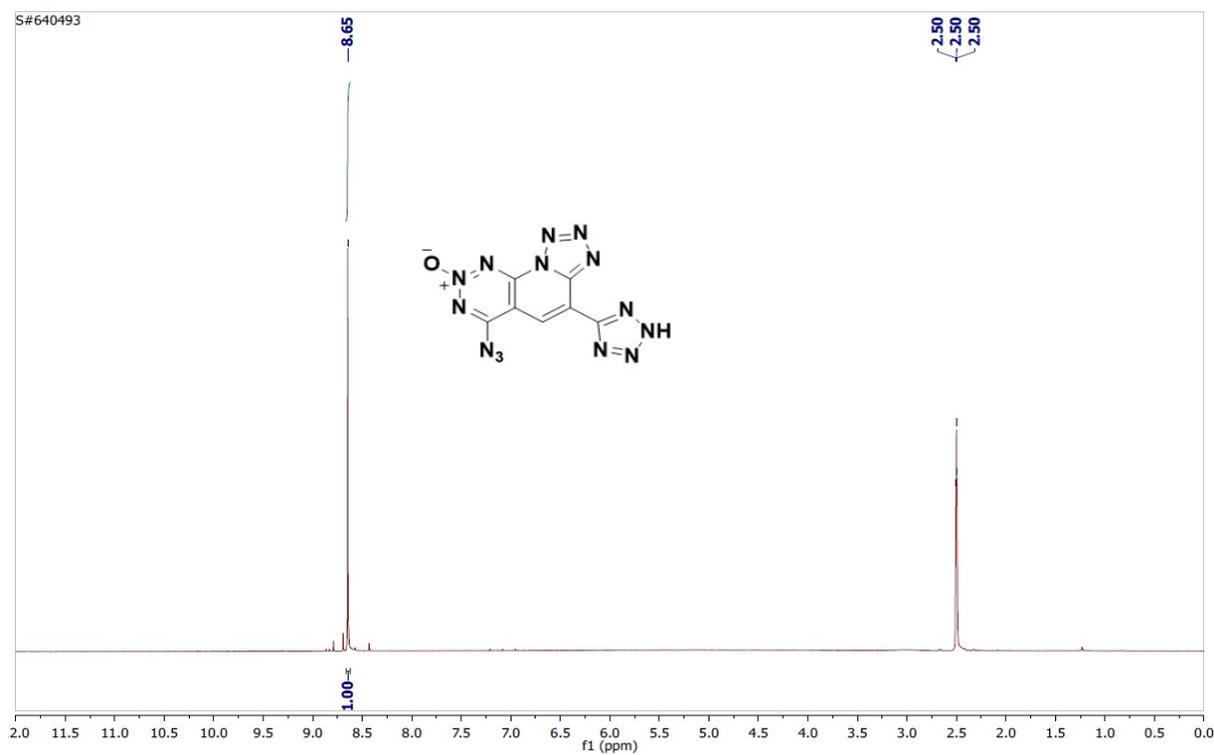


Figure S18: IR spectrum of compound **7M**.



**Figure S19:** Mass spectrum of Compound 7M.



**Figure S20:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Compound 8 (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 400 MHz).

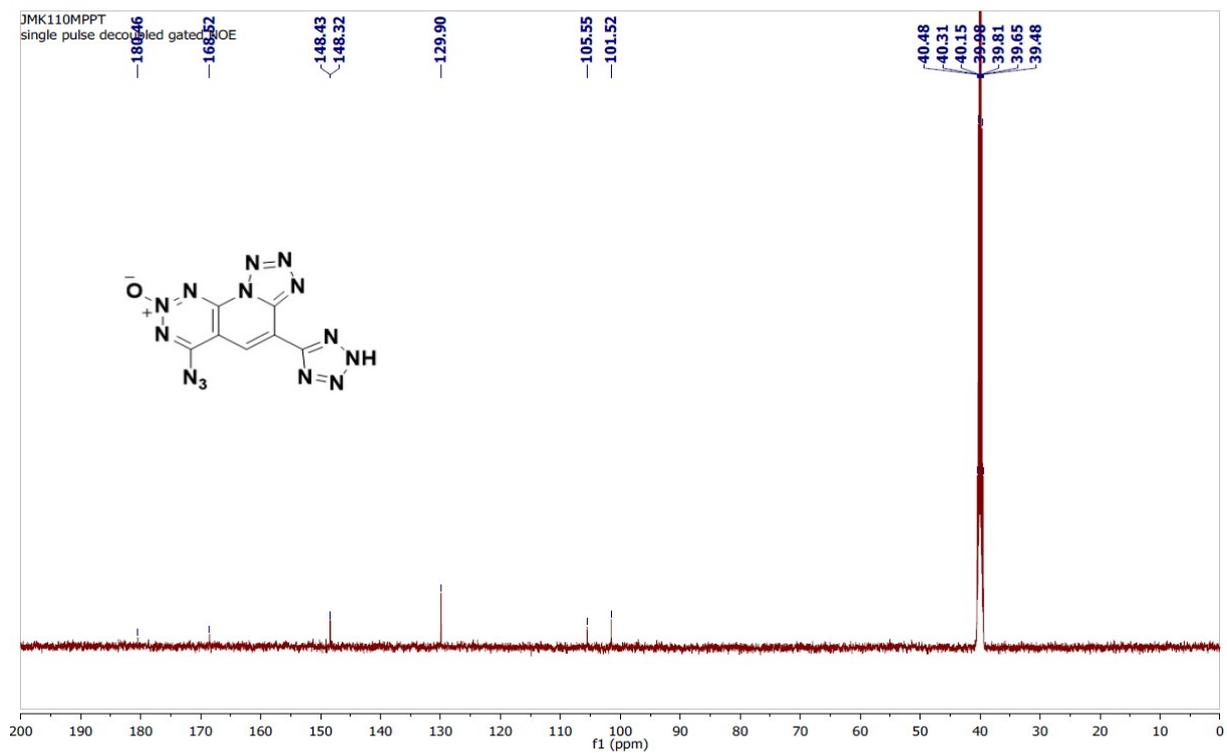


Figure S21:  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of compound **8** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 100 MHz).

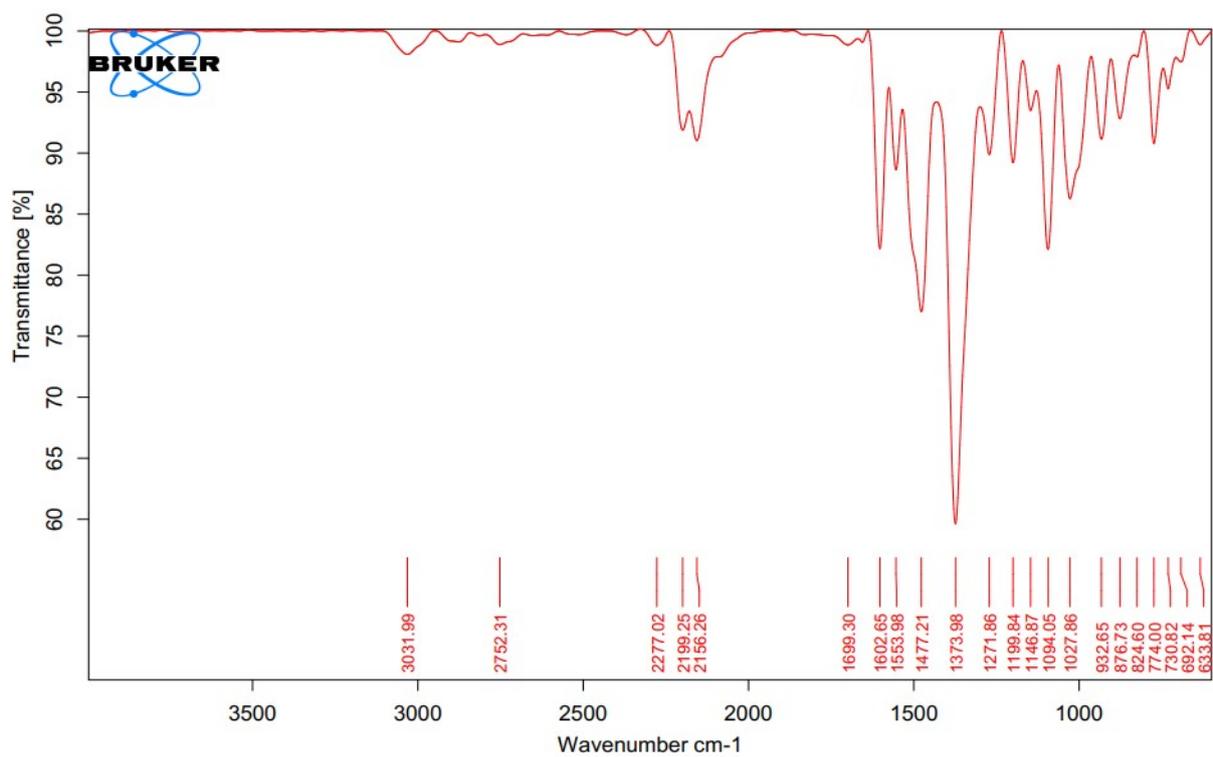


Figure S22: IR spectrum of compound **8**.

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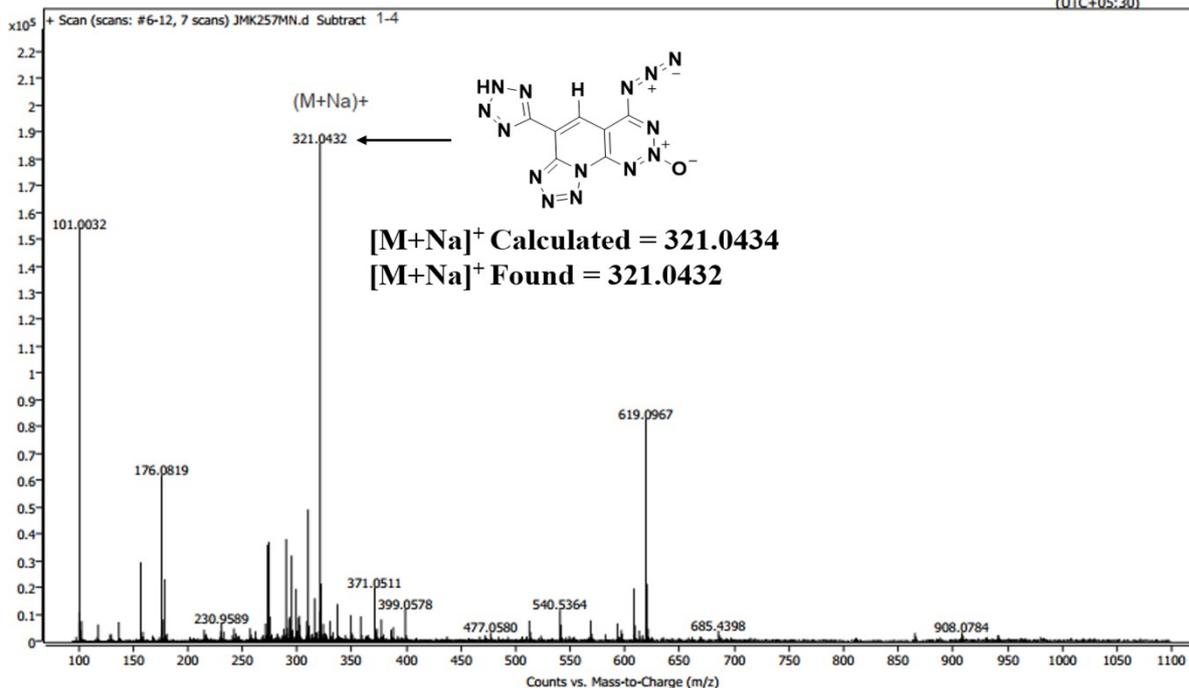


Figure S23: Mass spectrum of compound 8.

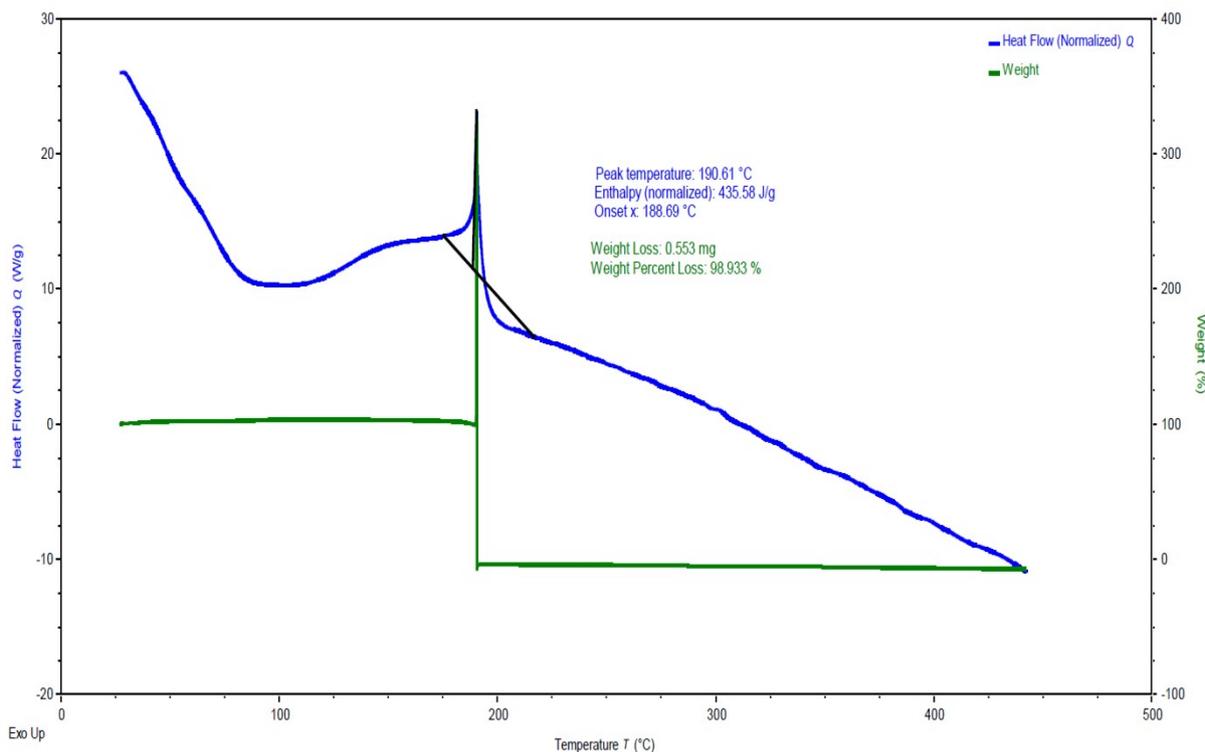
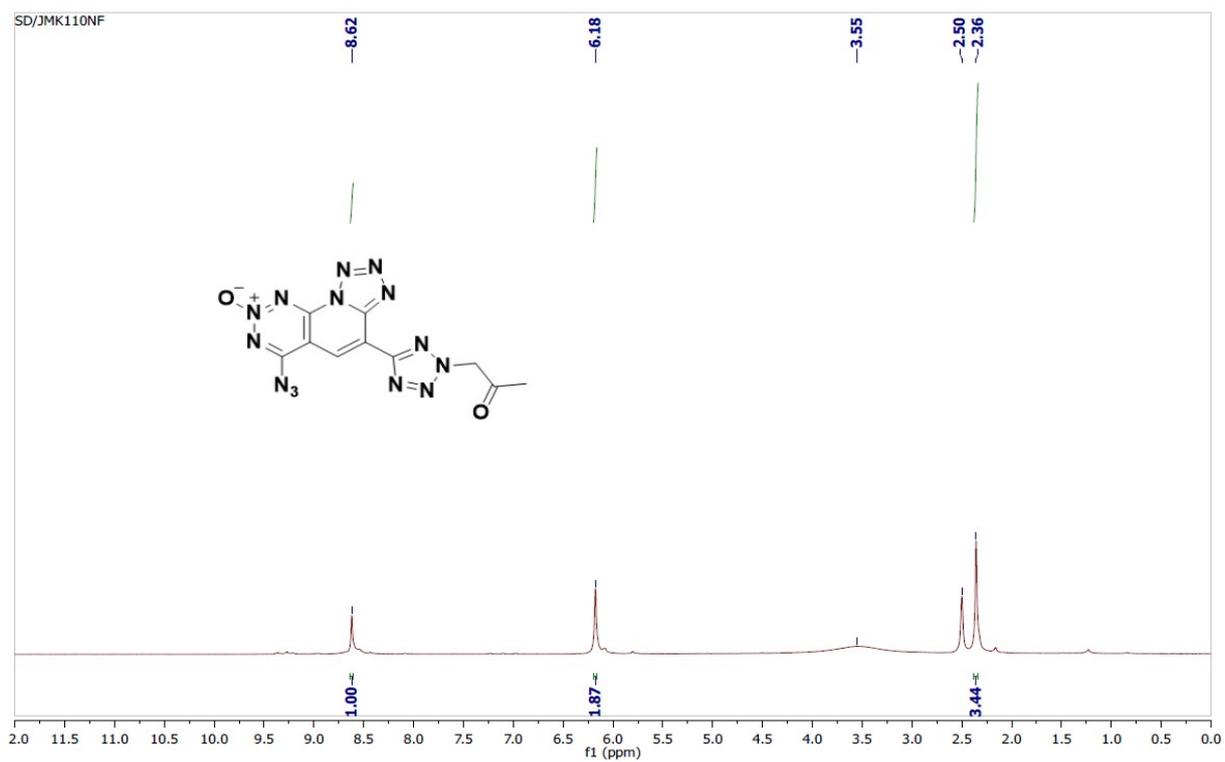
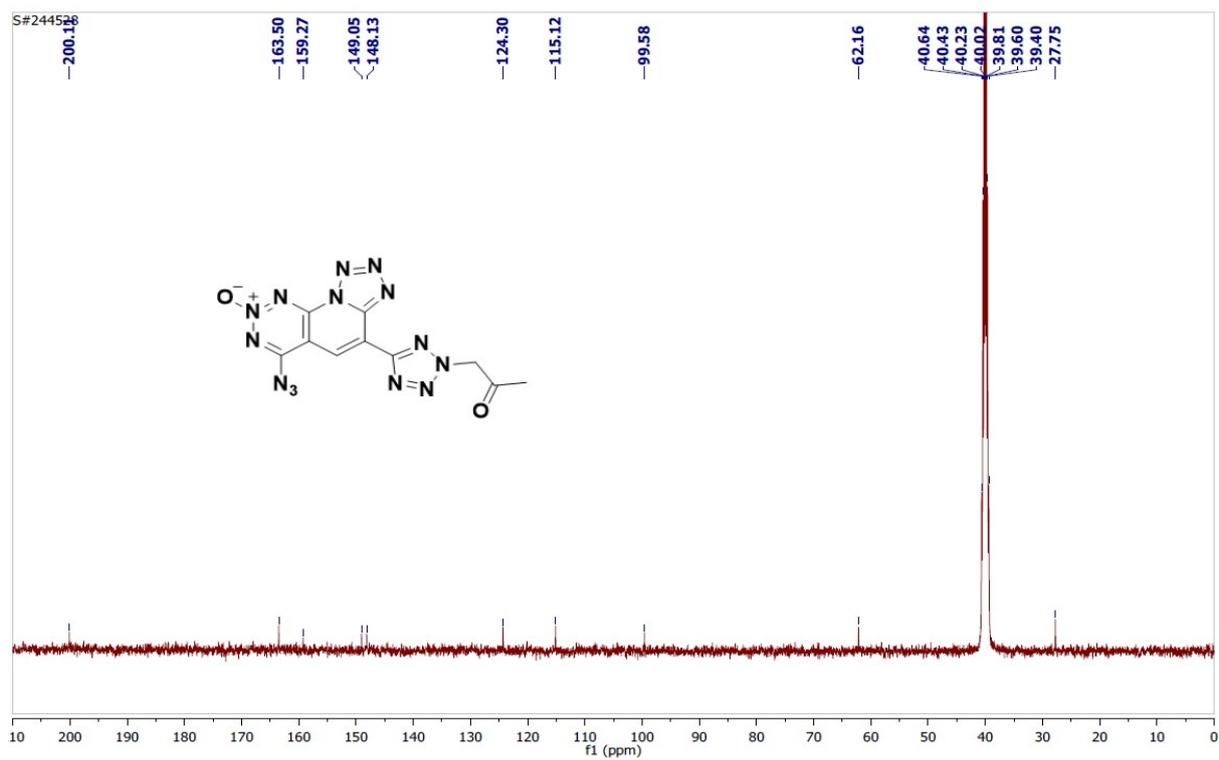


Figure S24: Mass spectrum of compound 8.



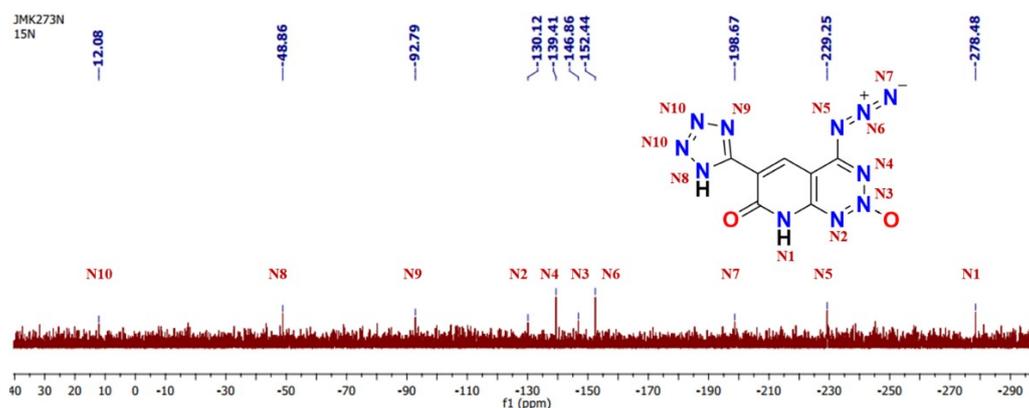
**Figure S25:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Compound **9I** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 400 MHz).



**Figure S26:**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of compound **9I** (recorded in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ; 100 MHz).

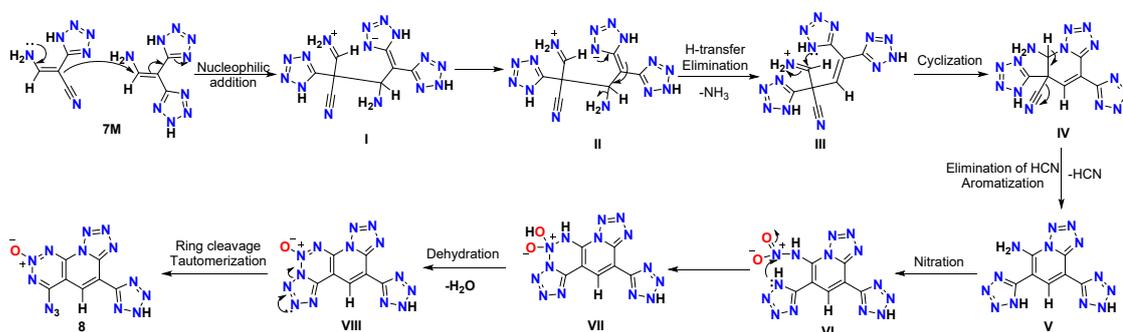
$^{15}\text{N}$  NMR Spectrum:

The  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectrum of compound **5** was obtained in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ , and the chemical shifts were externally referenced to nitromethane ( $\text{CH}_3\text{NO}_2$ ) (**Figure S27**). Signal assignments for the chemically distinct nitrogen atoms were made by comparison with relevant literature data.<sup>6-9</sup> As anticipated from the molecular structure, compound **5** contains ten non-equivalent nitrogen atoms, each giving rise to a separate resonance. The nitrogen atoms of the tetrazole ring exhibited resonances at  $\delta = 12.08$  ppm (N10) and at  $\delta = -48.46$  ppm (N8) and  $-92.97$  ppm (N9). Nitrogen atoms in the 1,2,3-triazine ring adjacent to the N-oxide moiety appeared at  $\delta = -130.12$  ppm (N2) and  $-139.41$  ppm (N4), while the N-oxide-bearing nitrogen (N3) resonated at  $\delta = -146.86$  ppm. The azide functional group displayed three characteristic peaks at  $\delta = -152.44$  ppm (N6),  $-198.67$  ppm (N7), and  $-229.25$  ppm. The pyridine nitrogen gave the most downfield signal at  $\delta = -278.48$  ppm (N1). These results unequivocally confirm the presence of ten distinct nitrogen environments within the molecular framework of compound **5**.



**Figure S27:**  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR spectrum of Compound **5**.

### Mechanism:



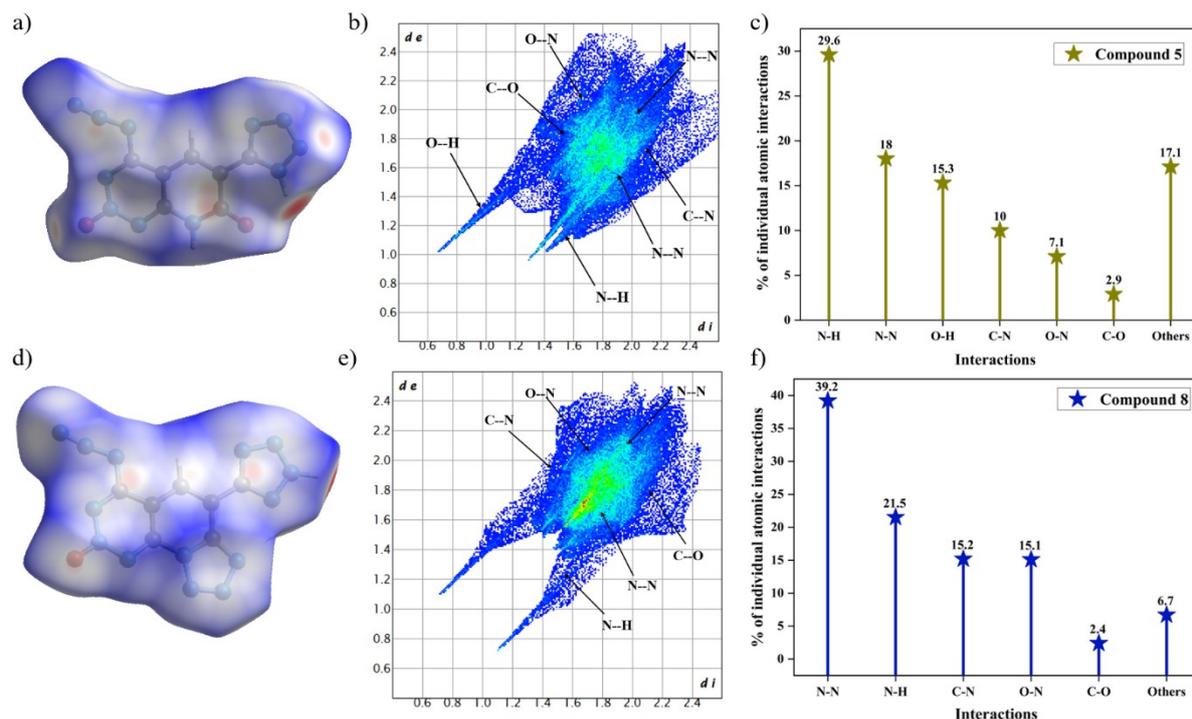
**Scheme S1:** Proposed mechanism for the synthesis of compound **8**.

The synthesis of compound **8** can be rationalized by a proposed acid-catalysed intermolecular rearrangement mechanism of **7M** as shown in **Scheme S1**. In this mechanism, as shown in **7M**,

the lone pair of the amine group in the mono cyclized product makes a nucleophilic attack on the carbon centre of the bicyclic product, generating intermediate **I** and subsequent release of  $\text{NH}_3$  affords intermediate **III** which undergoes intramolecular cyclization (intermediate **IV**) followed by elimination of hydrogen cyanide (HCN) to give a stable intermediate **V**, as confirmed by HRMS. Intermediate **V** is further proposed to undergo nitramino formation, intramolecular cyclization, and dehydration to yield intermediate **VII**, which, after tetrazole ring cleavage, furnishes compound **8**.

### Hirshfeld surface:

To further visualize the intermolecular interactions in the crystal structures of compounds **5** and **8**, Hirshfeld surface and two-dimensional fingerprint analyses were employed. Red spots on the Hirshfeld surface indicate strong interactions between atoms where their distance is shorter than the van der Waals distance, whereas blue and white spots indicate weaker interactions. The Hirshfeld surfaces of **5** and **8** are shown in **Figures S28a** and **S28d**, offering planar configurations. The strong intermolecular hydrogen-bonding interactions, particularly  $\text{H}\cdots\text{O}/\text{O}\cdots\text{H}$  and  $\text{H}\cdots\text{N}/\text{N}\cdots\text{H}$  contacts, are primarily responsible for the prominent red spots observed on the surfaces. These interactions are essential for maintaining the stability of the crystal packing. **Figures S28b** and **S28e** show that the 2D fingerprint plots of compounds **5** and **8** have two distinct spikes attributable to hydrogen-bonding (HB) interactions. The percentage contributions of HBs ( $\text{N}\cdots\text{H}$  and  $\text{O}\cdots\text{H}$ ) for **5** and **8** were 44.9% and 21.5%, respectively, indicating that hydrogen bonding stabilizes these energetic compounds and improves thermal stability and insensitivity, as illustrated in **Figures S28c** and **S28f**. Comparatively, compound **5** has 18%  $\text{N}\cdots\text{N}$  and 7.1%  $\text{O}\cdots\text{N}$  interactions, which are responsible for its lower sensitivity, whereas compound **8**, with 39.2%  $\text{N}\cdots\text{N}$  and 15.1%  $\text{O}\cdots\text{N}$ , is accountable for its sensitivity to impact and friction. The coplanar structures of compounds **5** and **8** allow for a layer-by-layer molecular arrangement within their crystal lattices, making it more feasible to develop  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions. Non-covalent interactions such as  $\text{C}\cdots\text{N}$  and  $\text{C}\cdots\text{O}$  contacts were consistent across the crystal structures, with average contributions of 12.9% and 17.6%, respectively.

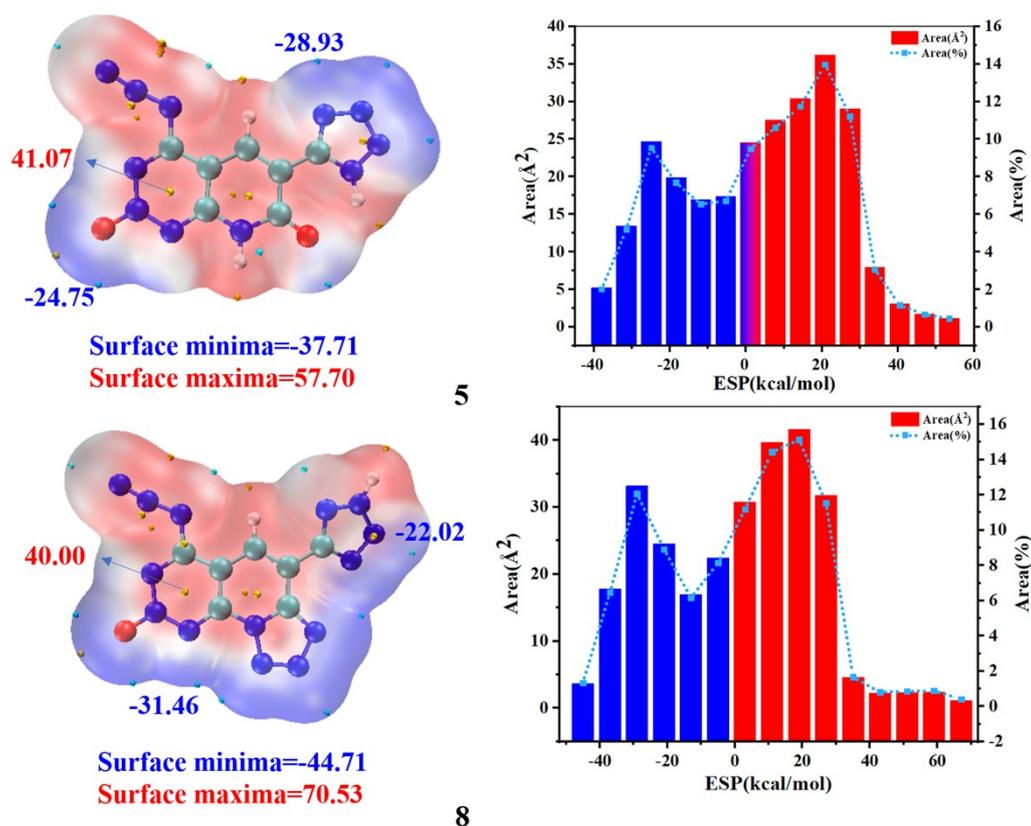


**Figure S28:** (a-c) Hirshfeld surface, 2D-fingerprint plots, and corresponding individual atomic interactions of compound **5**. (d-f) Hirshfeld surface, 2D-fingerprint plots, and corresponding individual atomic interactions of compound **8**.

### Electrostatic potential

Electrostatic potential (ESP) quantitatively describes the variation in charge distribution within a molecule, characterized by positive and negative potential regions in the surrounding space.<sup>10,11</sup> Earlier studies demonstrated a clear correlation between the impact sensitivity of EMs and their ESP, where energetic molecules with higher positive ESP regions over trigger linkages such as C-NO<sub>2</sub>, N-NO<sub>2</sub>, O-NO<sub>2</sub> and N-N bonds, are found to be associated with increased impact sensitivity and low thermal stability as these bonds are more prone to break under mechanical stimulus.<sup>12, 13</sup> The molecular ESP maps for compounds **5** and **8** were computed on the 0.001 au contour of the electronic density and are shown in **Figure S29**. The ESP surface local minima (blue region) signify areas of high electron density, while maxima (red region) indicate areas of low electron density. From **Figure S29**, it can be observed that the high electron density regions mainly localized on the catenated nitrogens and N-oxide in compounds **5** and **8**, and these sites are potential contributors to intermolecular interactions and crystal packing. Whereas low electron density regions are mainly associated with carbon and hydrogen atoms. The ESP minima and maxima in compound **5** are -37.71 and 57.70 kcal/mol, while those of compound **8** are -44.71 and 70.53 kcal/mol, respectively. Compound **5** shows better

charge distribution in the molecular ESP contour compared to compound **8**, which tends to have higher insensitivity to impact and friction stimuli.



**Figure S29.** ESP maps of compounds **5** and **8** with the distribution of surface potentials.

#### Hot needle test:

To further understand its energetic behaviour, the deflagration-to-detonation transition (DDT) of compound **8** was closely monitored. A hot needle test, which evaluates sensitivity under limited confinement, was conducted by placing a small sample on a metal plate and touching it with a red-hot needle. In this test, compound **8** exhibited DDT behaviour, as shown in **Figure S30**. This strong DDT response is attributed to the preferential cleavage of C-N and N-N bonds, facilitated by the presence of tetrazole rings and azide groups (C-N<sub>3</sub> bonds) within the 1,2,3-triazine ring. These findings indicate that compound **8** possesses the ability to initiate detonation. Furthermore, its stability at room temperature suggests that it could serve as a promising substitute for existing industrial standards.



**Figure S30:** Snapshots of the hot needle test of compound **8**.

### **Computational details:**

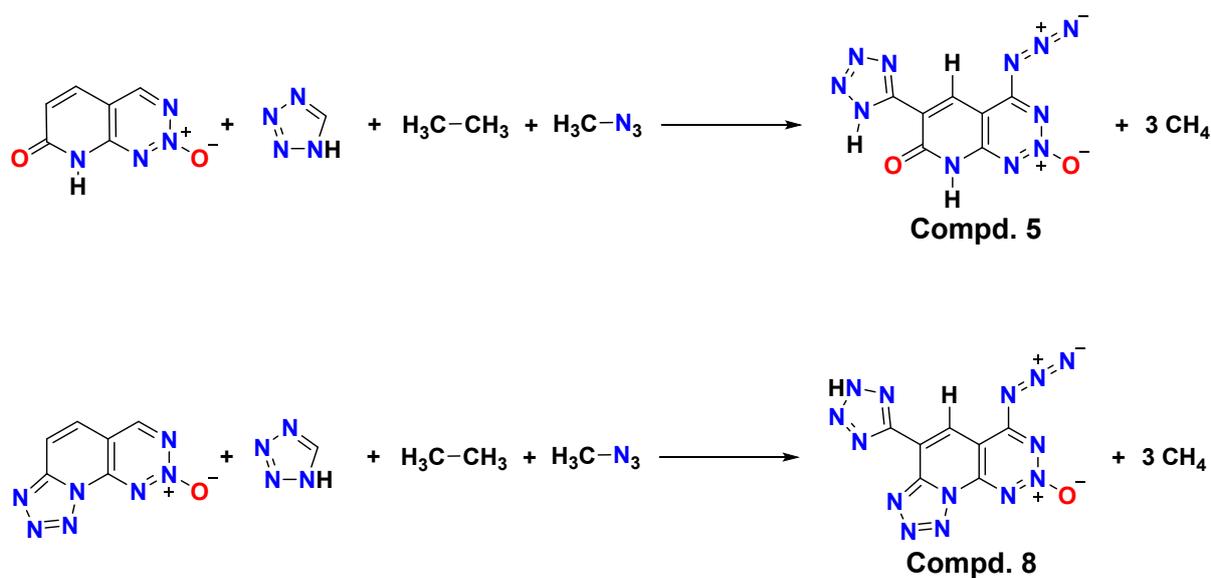
Computations were carried out using the Gaussian 09 program suite.<sup>1</sup> The structure optimizations are performed with B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) level of theory and characterized to be true local energy minima on the potential energy surface, and no imaginary frequencies were found. Heat of formation (HOF) is a measure of the energy content of an energetic material that can decompose, ignite, and explode by heat or impact. It enters into the calculation of explosive and propellant properties such as detonation velocity, detonation pressure, heat of detonation and specific impulse. However, it is impractical to determine the HOF of novel energetic materials because of their unstable intermediates and unknown combustion mechanisms. Gas-phase heats of formation for neutral compounds and anions were calculated using the designed isodesmic reactions (see **Figure S31**). Calculated total energies and related data for reference compounds and target compounds are listed in **Tables S15** and **S16**. The usage of the  $\text{HOF}_{\text{Gas}}$  in the calculation of detonation properties slightly overestimates the values of detonation velocity and detonation pressure, and hence, the solid phase HOF ( $\text{HOF}_{\text{Solid}}$ ) has been calculated, which can efficiently reduce the errors. The  $\text{HOF}_{\text{Solid}}$  is calculated as the difference between  $\text{HOF}_{\text{Gas}}$  and heat of sublimation ( $\text{HOF}_{\text{Sub}}$ ) as,

$$\text{HOF}_{\text{Solid}} = \text{HOF}_{\text{Gas}} - \text{HOF}_{\text{Sub}} \quad (1)$$

The heat of sublimation ( $\text{HOF}_{\text{Sub}}$ ), which is required to convert the  $\text{HOF}_{\text{Gas}}$  to the  $\text{HOF}_{\text{Solid}}$ , was calculated from Equation (2),<sup>2</sup>

$$HOF_{Sub} = 0.000267 A^2 + 1.650087 (v\sigma_{tot}^2)^{0.5} - 2.966078 \quad (2)$$

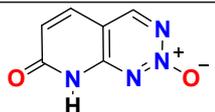
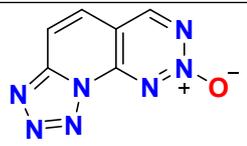
Where  $A$  represents the surface area of the 0.001 electrons/bohr<sup>3</sup> isosurface of electronic density,  $v$  denotes the degree of balance between the positive and negative surface potentials, and  $\sigma_{tot}^2$  is the electrostatic potential variance. These molecular surface properties were obtained using the Multiwfn program<sup>3</sup> and listed in **Table S17**.



**Figure S31.** Designed isodesmic reactions to compute gas-phase heats of formation for neutral compounds and anionic components.

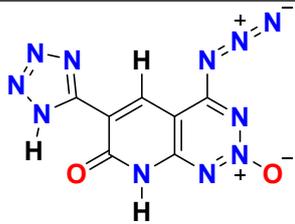
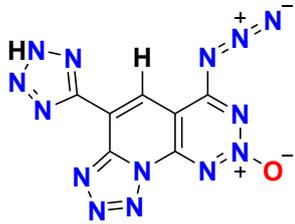
**Table S15.** Calculated total energies at 298K ( $E_0$ ), zero-point energies (ZPE), and thermal corrections ( $H_T$ ), and experimental HOF<sub>gas</sub> of reference compounds used in isodesmic reactions.

Compd.	$E_0$ (a.u.)	ZPE (au)	$H_T$ (au)	HOF <sub>gas</sub> (kJ/mol)
CH <sub>4</sub>	-40.477548	0.0447	0.0038	-74.8
H <sub>3</sub> C-CH <sub>3</sub>	-79.762612	0.0746	0.0044	-84
	-258.220573	0.0475	0.0044	322.9
H <sub>3</sub> C-N <sub>3</sub>	-204.049785	0.0502	0.0054	298

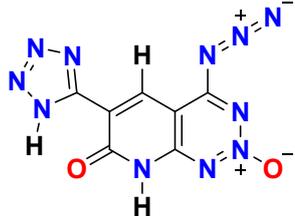
	-600.324746	0.1084	0.0093	251.56 <sup>a</sup>
	-688.66958	0.1077	0.01	770.9 <sup>a</sup>

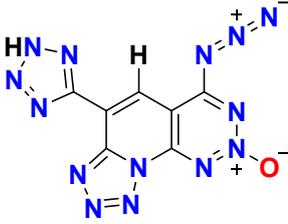
<sup>a</sup>Calculated using G2 method.

**Table S16.** Calculated total energies ( $E_0$ ), zero-point energies (ZPE), and thermal corrections ( $H_T$ ) for target compounds and their anions.

Compd.	$E_0$ (a.u.)	ZPE (au)	$H_T$ (au)	HOF <sub>gas</sub> (kJ/mol)	HOF <sub>Sub</sub> (kJ/mol)
	-1020.969701	0.1391	0.0155	882.8	136.7
	-1109.302892	0.1384	0.0164	1445.6	151.9

**Table S17.** Calculated molecular surface properties for neutral compounds.

Compd.	Surface area (Å <sup>2</sup> )	Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	$\sigma_{tot}^2$ (kcal/mol)	$\nu$
	259.11	269.57	211.57	0.2404

	275.07	289.64	267.32	0.2370
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**Table S18.** Optimized coordinates of compd. **5** at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) level of theory.

6	-0.825883000	0.011380000	-0.000112000
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**Table S19.** Optimized coordinates of compd. 8 at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) level of theory.

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7	2.172130000	2.261645000	0.020396000
7	3.306934000	2.800256000	0.029035000

7	4.242624000	3.432839000	0.036925000
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1	-0.415784000	1.962466000	0.013641000
1	-4.772813000	3.148997000	-0.360784000

### Combustion details:

Results of the calculation of **compound 5**.

Reactant information:

JMK273N, 100 %

C(7.000) H(3.000) N(11.000) O(2.000)

Molecular weight = 273.18

Theoretical maximum density = 1.83 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Density = 1.83 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (100.00 % TMD)

Initial pressure = 0.1 MPa

Oxygen balance = -79.0638 %

Enthalpy of formation = 2731.17 kJ/kg (746.10 kJ/mol)

Energy of formation = 2803.76 kJ/kg (765.93 kJ/mol)

**Detonation parameters** (at the C-J point) :

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Detonation temperature = 2594.385 K

Detonation pressure = 22.98748 GPa

Detonation velocity = 7793.52 m/s

Particle velocity = 1611.777 m/s

Sound velocity = 6181.743 m/s

Exponent 'Gamma' = 3.835343

Density of all products = 2.307139 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Density of gaseous products = 2.036859 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Specific volume of all products = 0.4334372 cm<sup>3</sup>/g

Specific volume of gaseous products = 0.4909519 cm<sup>3</sup>/g

**Volume of gas at STP = 582.542 L/kg**

Moles of gaseous products = 25.99 mol/kg

Moles of condensed products = 23.7 mol/kg

Mean molecular mass of gas. prod. = 27.52213 g/mol

Mean molecular mass of cond.prod. = 12.011 g/mol

Mean molecular mass of all prod. = 20.12394 g/mol

Entropy of products = 5.6323 kJ/kg K

Internal energy of products = 5026.245 kJ/kg, i.e. 9.198029 kJ/cm<sup>3</sup>

Compression energy = 1298.923 kJ/kg, i.e. 2.37703 kJ/cm<sup>3</sup>

TNT equivalent from Qd = 81.53 %

TNT equivalent from pCJ = 124.89 %

**Concentration of detonation products :**

(27 products considered)

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H <sub>2</sub> O =	9.974198E-01	3.651145E+00	7.3478	6.5776

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NO <sub>2</sub> =	1.364862E-10	4.996202E-10	0.0000	0.0000
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NO <sub>3</sub> =	6.336734E-16	2.319619E-15	0.0000	0.0000
C(gr) =	2.922462E-20	1.069793E-19	0.0000	0.0000

Results of the calculation of **compound 8**.

Reactant information:

1. JMK110NB, 100 %

C(7.000) H(2.000) N(14.000) O(1.000)

Molecular weight = 298.2

Theoretical maximum density = 1.8 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Density = 1.8 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (100.00 % TMD)

Initial pressure = 0.1 MPa

Oxygen balance = -75.11343 %

Enthalpy of formation = 4338.41 kJ/kg (1293.70 kJ/mol)

Energy of formation = 4409.06 kJ/kg (1314.77 kJ/mol)

**Detonation parameters** (at the C-J point) :

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Heat of detonation = -4502.579 kJ/kg

Detonation temperature = 3146.832 K

Detonation pressure = 24.3649 GPa

Detonation velocity = 7934.75 m/s

Particle velocity = 1705.914 m/s

Sound velocity = 6228.835 m/s

Exponent 'Gamma' = 3.651304

Density of all products = 2.292973 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Density of gaseous products = 2.038271 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Specific volume of all products = 0.4361151 cm<sup>3</sup>/g

Specific volume of gaseous prod. = 0.4906119 cm<sup>3</sup>/g

**Volume of gas at STP = 596.119 L/kg**

Moles of gaseous products = 26.596 mol/kg

Moles of condensed products = 22.417 mol/kg

Mean molecular mass of gas. prod. = 27.47428 g/mol

Mean molecular mass of cond.prod. = 12.011 g/mol

Mean molecular mass of all prod. = 20.4018 g/mol

Entropy of products = 5.8178 kJ/kg K

Internal energy of products = 5957.662 kJ/kg, i.e. 10.72379 kJ/cm<sup>3</sup>

Compression energy = 1455.083 kJ/kg, i.e. 2.619149 kJ/cm<sup>3</sup>

TNT equivalent from Qd = 98.49 %

TNT equivalent from pCJ = 132.37 %

### Concentration of detonation products :

(27 products considered)

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PRODUCT	mol/mol exp.	mol/kg expl.	Mol %	Mass %
N <sub>2</sub> =	6.896235E+00	2.312644E+01	47.1843	<b>64.7841</b>
C(d) =	6.684749E+00	2.241722E+01	45.7373	26.9253
H <sub>2</sub> O =	4.802991E-01	1.610677E+00	3.2862	2.9017
NH <sub>3</sub> =	2.061670E-01	6.913783E-01	1.4106	1.1775
CH <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> =	1.562585E-01	5.240109E-01	1.0691	2.4118
CO =	8.485223E-02	2.845509E-01	0.5806	0.7970
CO <sub>2</sub> =	6.059948E-02	2.032196E-01	0.4146	0.8944

H <sub>2</sub> =	3.218979E-02	1.079481E-01	0.2202	0.0218
CH <sub>4</sub> =	7.294525E-03	2.446210E-02	0.0499	0.0392
H =	2.973704E-03	9.972279E-03	0.0203	0.0010
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> =	2.482736E-03	8.325824E-03	0.0170	0.0234
HCNO =	1.058650E-03	3.550169E-03	0.0072	0.0153
N =	8.927272E-05	2.993750E-04	0.0006	0.0004
NH <sub>2</sub> =	7.750362E-05	2.599074E-04	0.0005	0.0004
HCN =	6.763138E-05	2.268010E-04	0.0005	0.0006
CH <sub>3</sub> OH =	6.644407E-05	2.228194E-04	0.0005	0.0007
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> =	4.428857E-05	1.485212E-04	0.0003	0.0004
N <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> =	2.720385E-05	9.122776E-05	0.0002	0.0003
N <sub>2</sub> O =	7.541290E-06	2.528962E-05	0.0001	0.0001
CNO =	5.754181E-08	1.929657E-07	0.0000	0.0000
HNO =	1.667735E-08	5.592727E-08	0.0000	0.0000
CH <sub>2</sub> O =	9.908552E-09	3.322821E-08	0.0000	0.0000
H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> =	9.782154E-09	3.280433E-08	0.0000	0.0000
NO <sub>2</sub> =	1.093134E-09	3.665812E-09	0.0000	0.0000
HN <sub>3</sub> =	3.203394E-10	1.074254E-09	0.0000	0.0000
NO <sub>3</sub> =	1.436753E-14	4.818133E-14	0.0000	0.0000
C(gr) =	3.375399E-17	1.131936E-16	0.0000	0.0000

Results of the calculation of NaN<sub>3</sub>:

REACTANT INFORMATION:

1. **Sodium azide (NaN<sub>3</sub>), 100 %**

N(3.000) Na(1.000)

Molecular weight = 65.02

Theoretical maximum density = 1.846 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Density = 1.846 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (100.00 % TMD)

Initial pressure = 0.1 MPa

Oxygen balance = -12.30408 %

Enthalpy of formation = 326.85 kJ/kg (21.25 kJ/mol)

Energy of formation = 384.04 kJ/kg (24.97 kJ/mol)

**Detonation parameters (at the C-J point) :**

Heat of detonation = -347.0311 kJ/kg

Detonation temperature = 450.9091 K

Detonation pressure = 12.13266 GPa

Detonation velocity = 6550.084 m/s

Particle velocity = 1003.399 m/s

Sound velocity = 5546.685 m/s

Exponent 'Gamma' = 5.527849

Density of all products = 2.179943 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Density of gaseous products = 2.633781 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Specific volume of all products = 0.4587277 cm<sup>3</sup>/g

Specific volume of gaseous prod. = 0.3796822 cm<sup>3</sup>/g

**Volume of gas at STP = 517.127 L/kg**

Moles of gaseous products = 23.072 mol/kg

Moles of condensed products = 15.381 mol/kg

Mean molecular mass of gas. prod. = 28.013 g/mol

Mean molecular mass of cond.prod. = 22.898 g/mol

Mean molecular mass of all prod. = 25.967 g/mol

Entropy of products = 1.6204 kJ/kg K

Internal energy of products = 850.4443 kJ/kg, i.e. 1.56992 kJ/cm<sup>3</sup>

Compression energy = 503.4132 kJ/kg, i.e. 0.9293008 kJ/cm<sup>3</sup>

TNT equivalent from Qd = 7.95 %

TNT equivalent from pCJ = 65.37 %

### Concentration of detonation products :

(4 products considered)

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PRODUCT	mol/mol exp.	mol/kg expl.	Mol %	Mass %
N <sub>2</sub> =	1.500000E+00	2.307160E+01	60.0000	<b>64.6305</b>
Na(l) =	1.000000E+00	1.538107E+01	40.0000	35.2196
Na =	8.581673E-12	1.319953E-10	0.0000	0.0000
N =	0.000000E+00	0.000000E+00	0.0000	0.0000

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