

Electronic Supplementary Information

Aggregation properties of bis(salicylaldiminato)zinc(II) Schiff- base complexes and their Lewis acidic character

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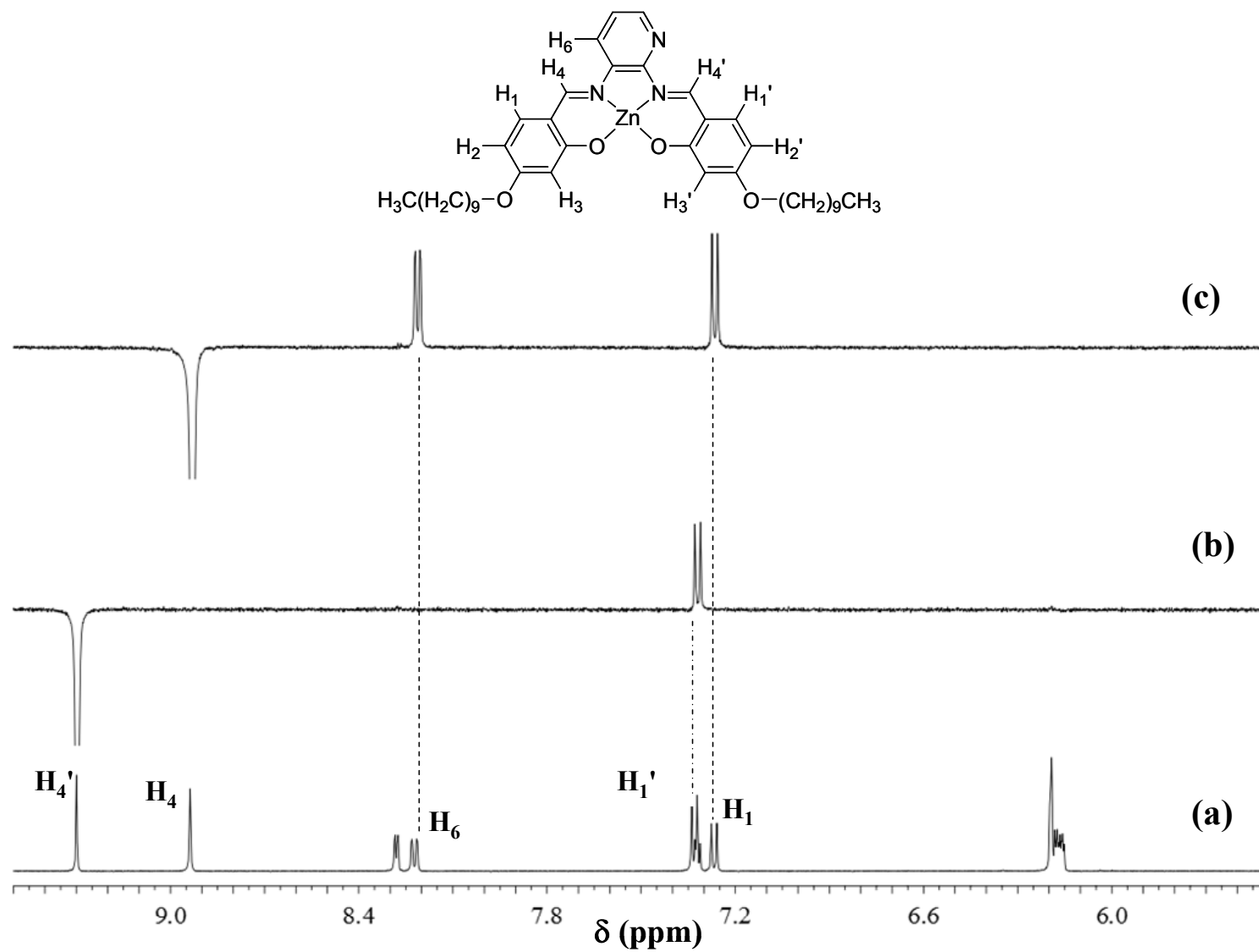


Fig. S1 ¹H NMR (a) and 1D T-ROESY spectra of **4a** in CDCl₃ solution (1.0×10^{-3} M) upon selective irradiation of H₄' (b) and H₄ (c), respectively.

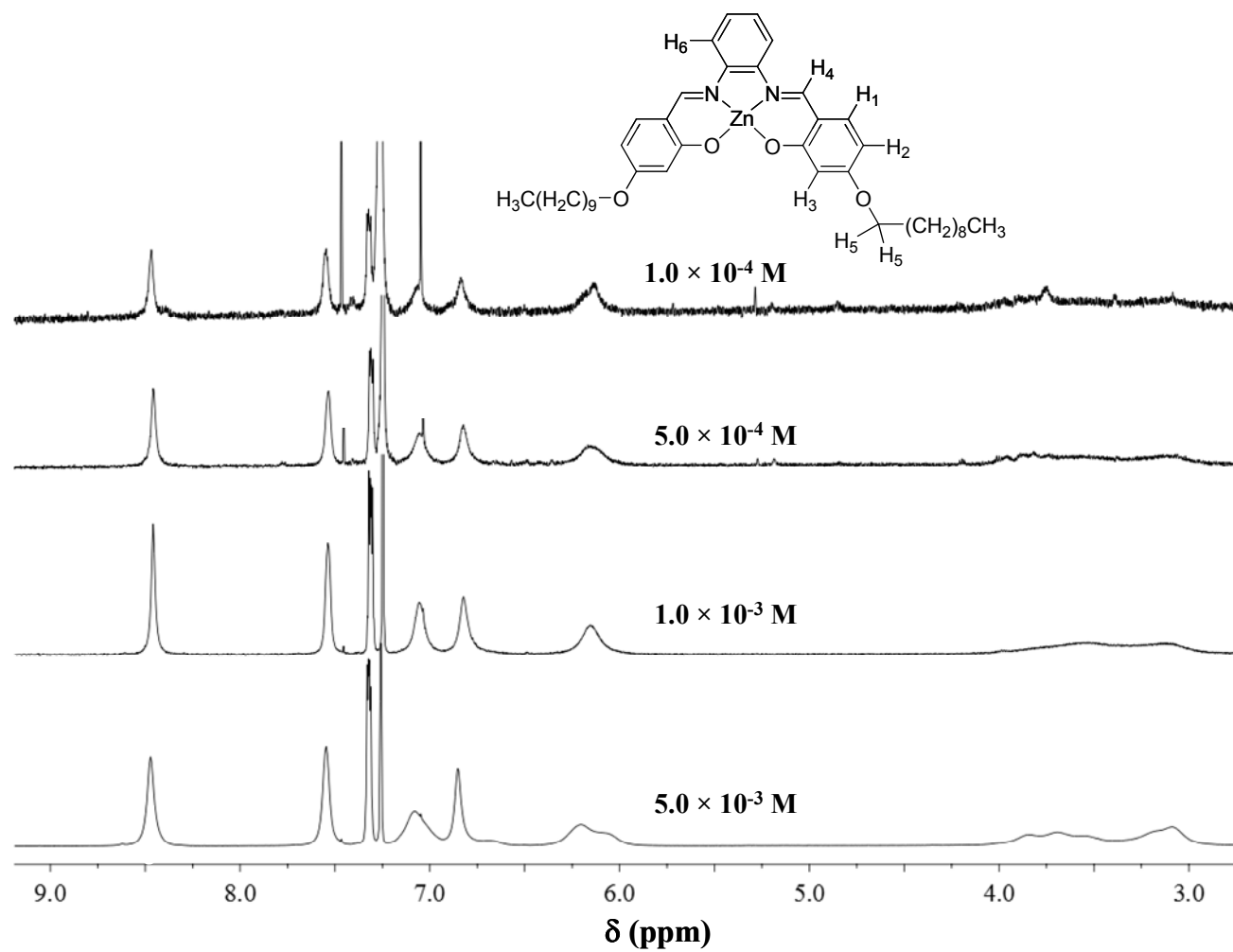


Fig. S2 Concentration dependence of ¹H NMR spectra of **2a** in CDCl₃ solution.

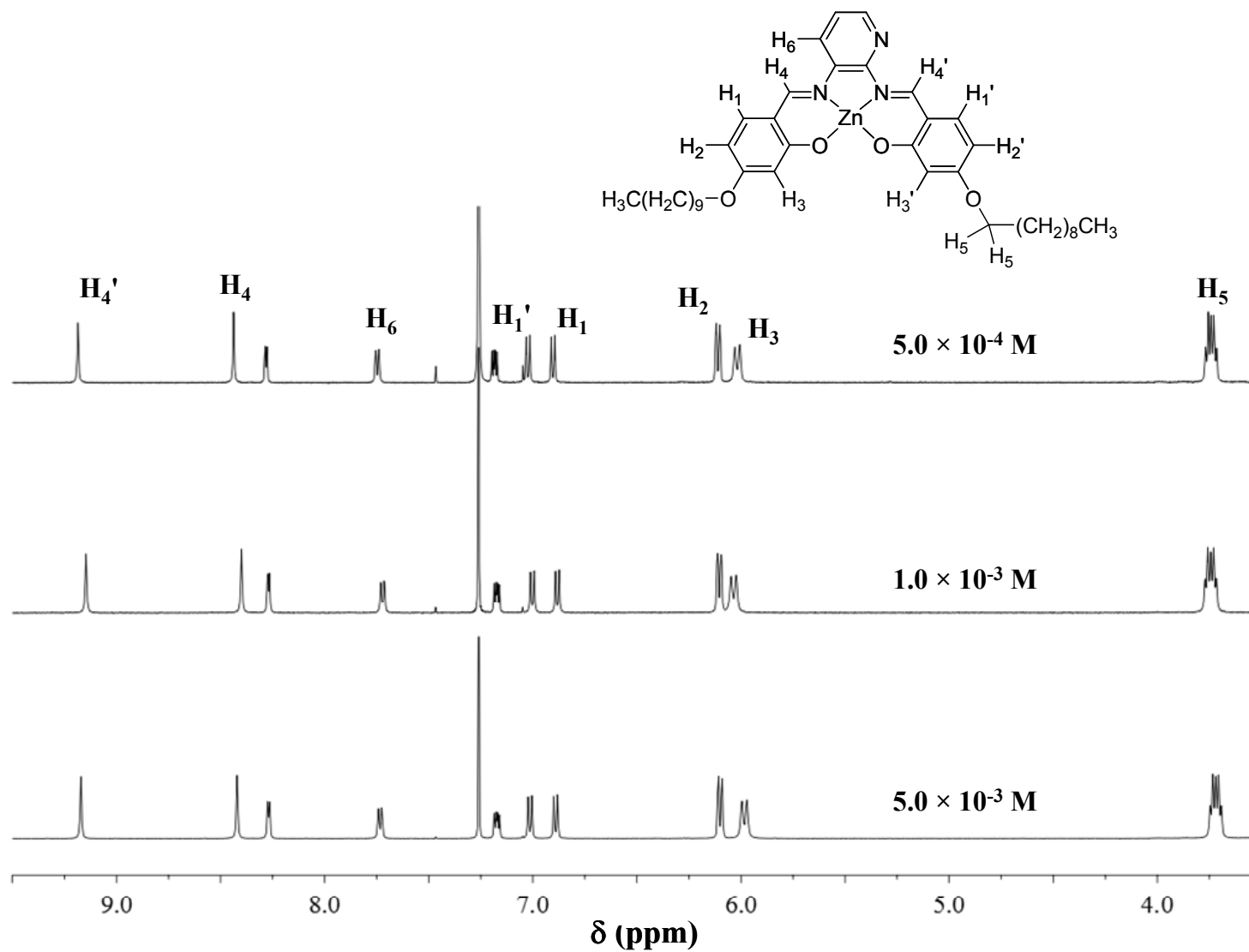


Fig. S3 Concentration dependence of ¹H NMR spectra of **4a** in CDCl₃ solution.

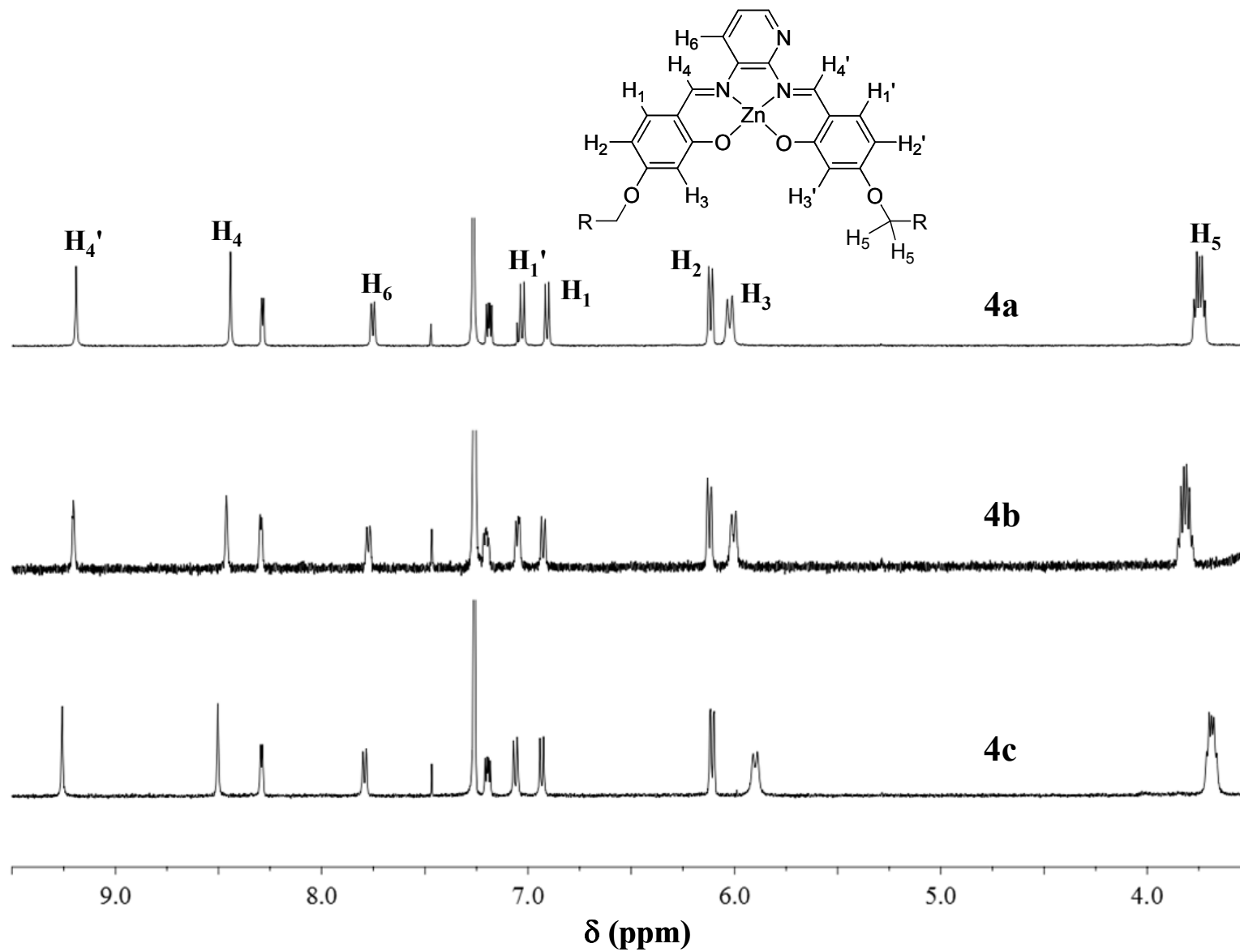


Fig. S4 ¹H NMR spectra of complexes **4a-c** in CDCl₃ solutions.

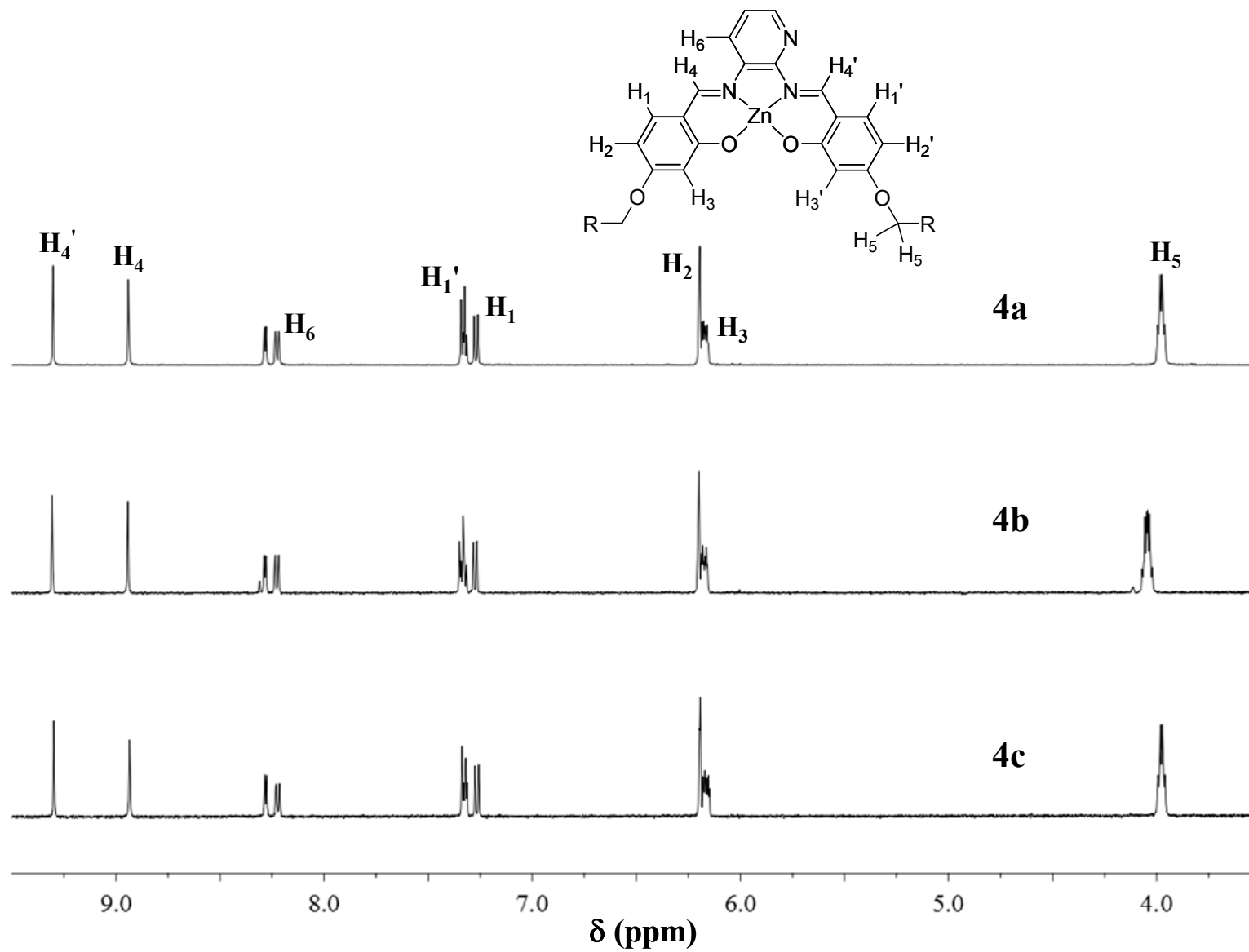


Fig. S5 ¹H NMR spectra of complexes **4a-c** in DMSO-d₆ solutions.

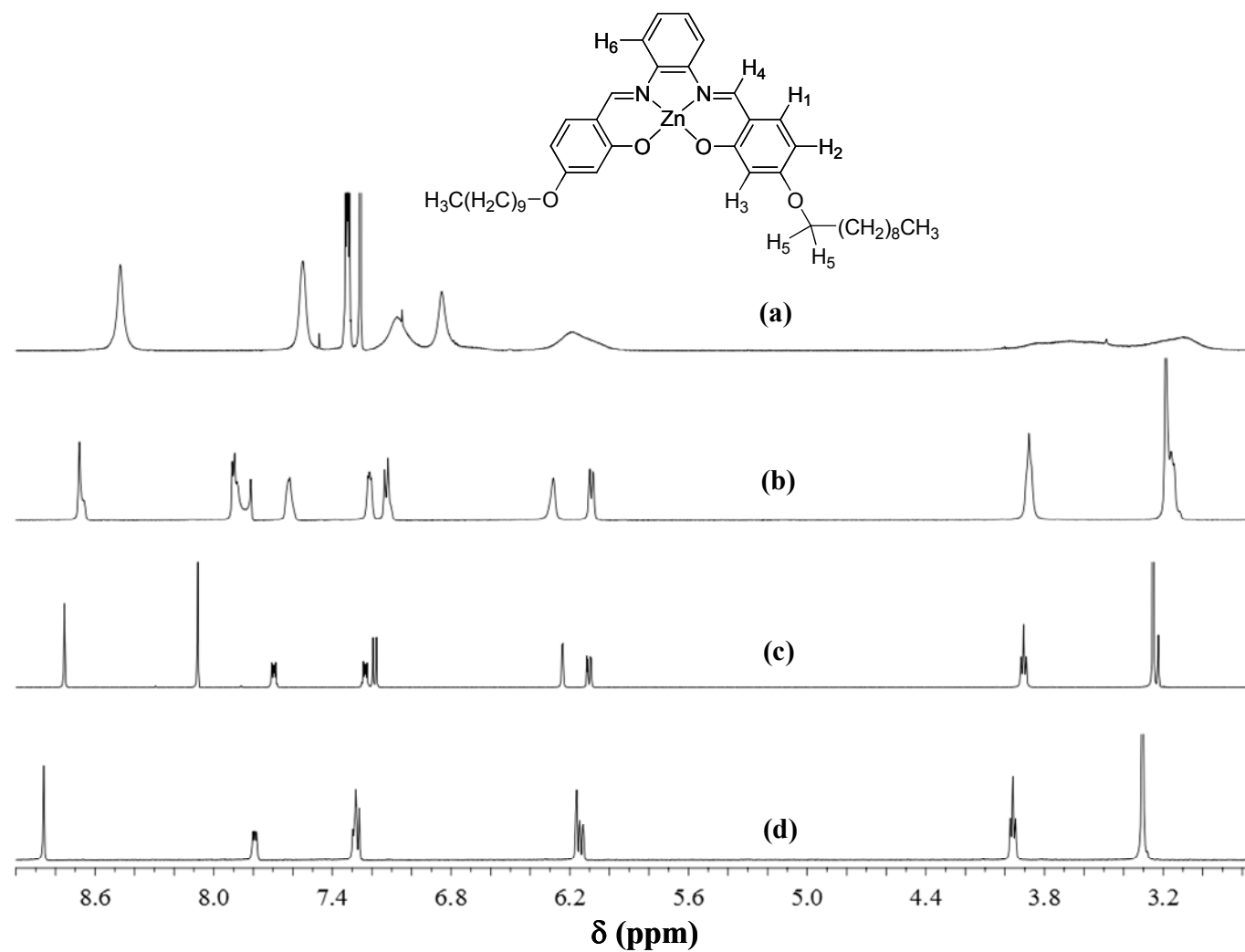


Fig. S6 ¹H NMR spectra of **2a** in CDCl₃ (1.0×10^{-3} M; 6.0×10^{-7} mol) (a) and with addition of 9.0×10^{-4} mol (b) and 1.8×10^{-3} mol (c) of DMSO-d₆. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **2a** in DMSO-d₆ is reported for comparison (d).

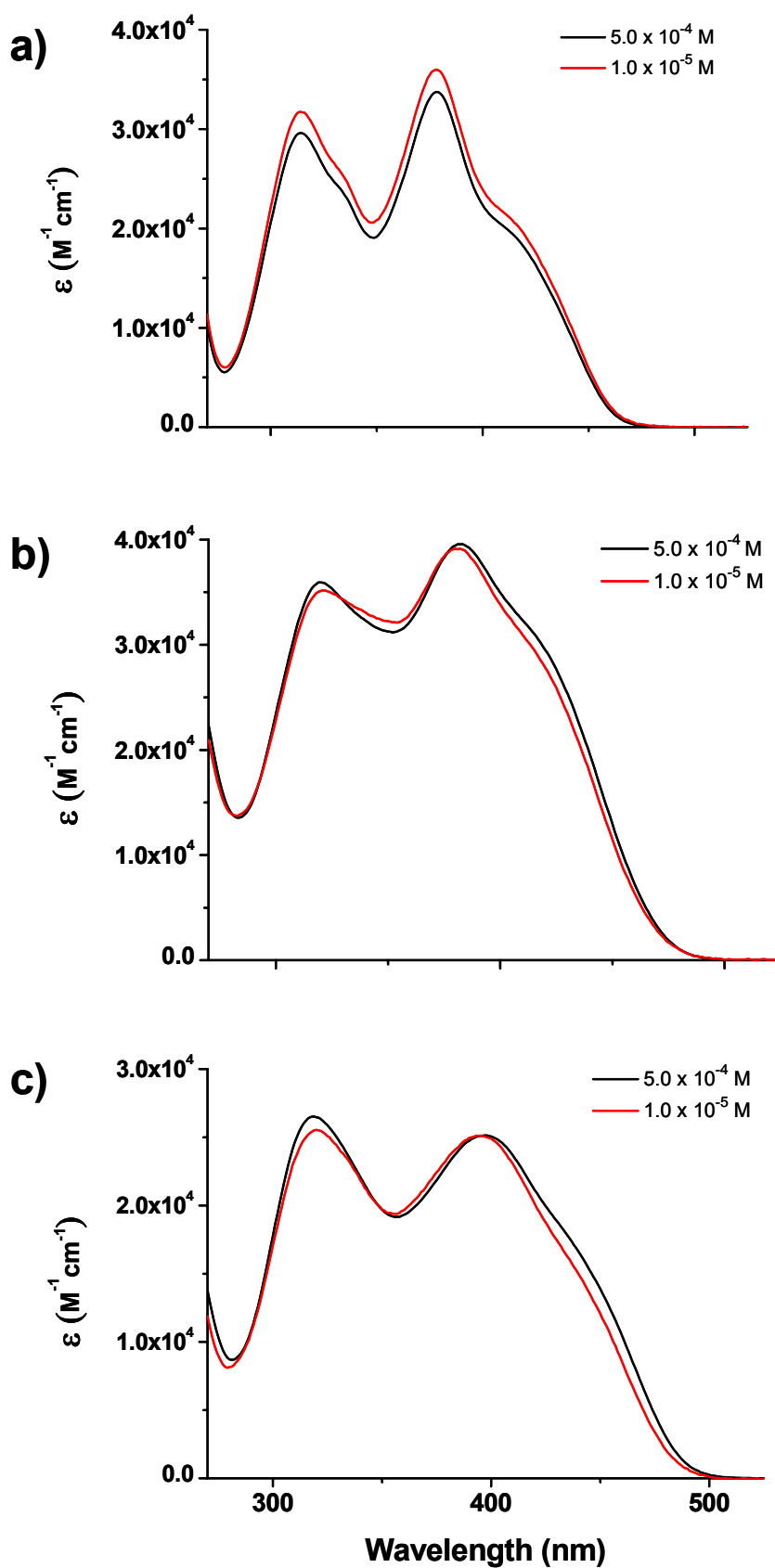


Fig. S7 Concentration dependence of UV/vis absorption spectra of **2a** (a), **3a** (b) and **4a** (c) in CHCl_3 solutions.

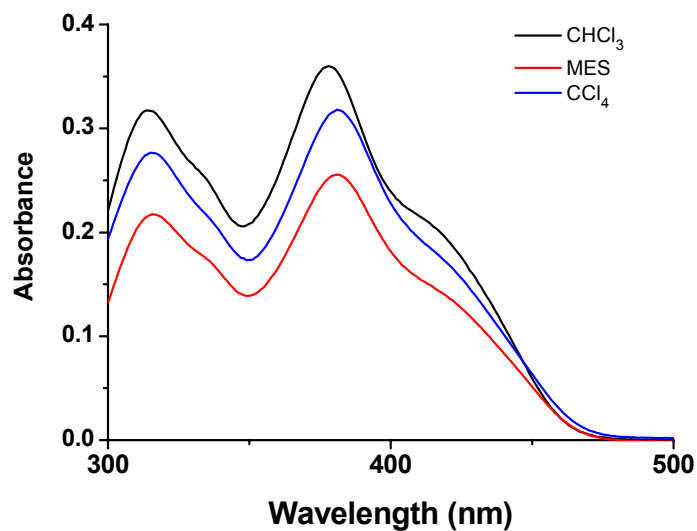


Fig. S8 UV/vis absorption spectra of **2a** (10 μM) in non-coordinating solvents of different polarities.

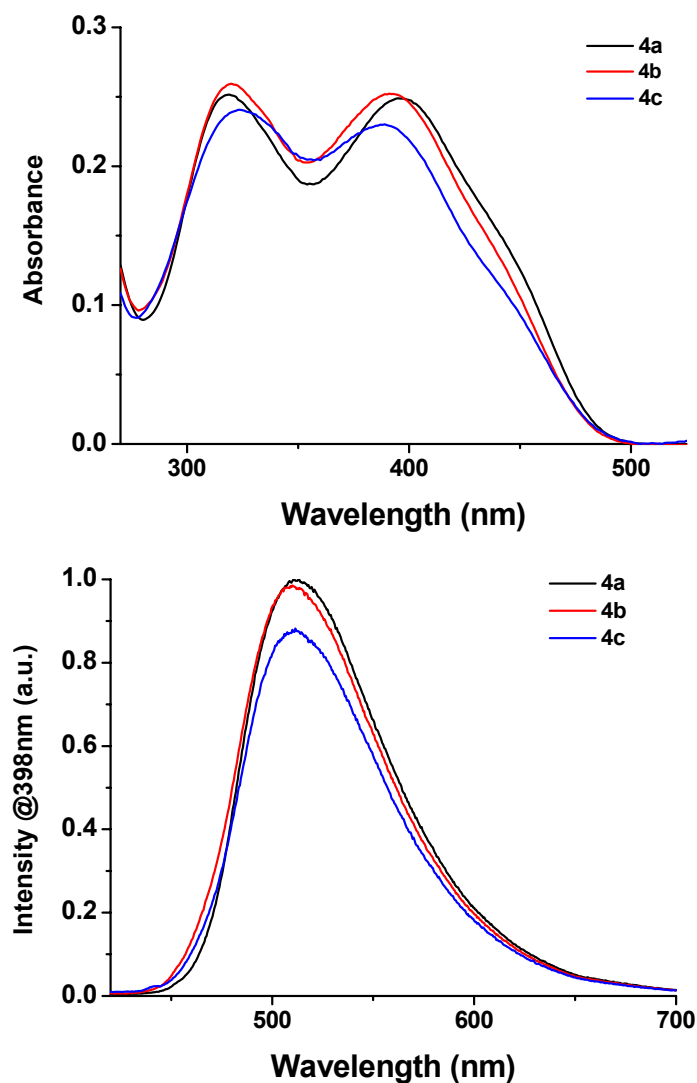


Fig. S9 UV/vis absorption (top) and fluorescence (bottom) spectra of complexes **4a-c** (10 μM) in CHCl₃ solutions.

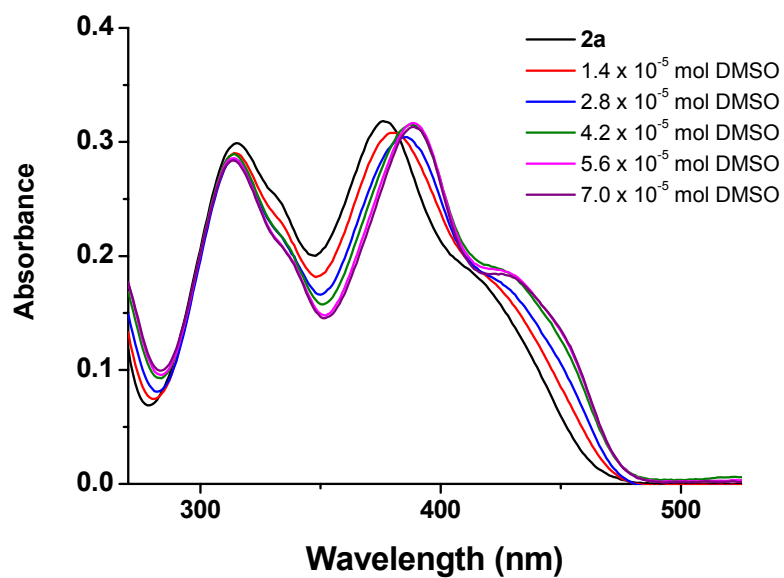


Fig. S10 UV/vis absorption spectra of **2a** in CHCl₃ (10 μM; 2.0 × 10⁻⁸ mol) and with addition of DMSO.

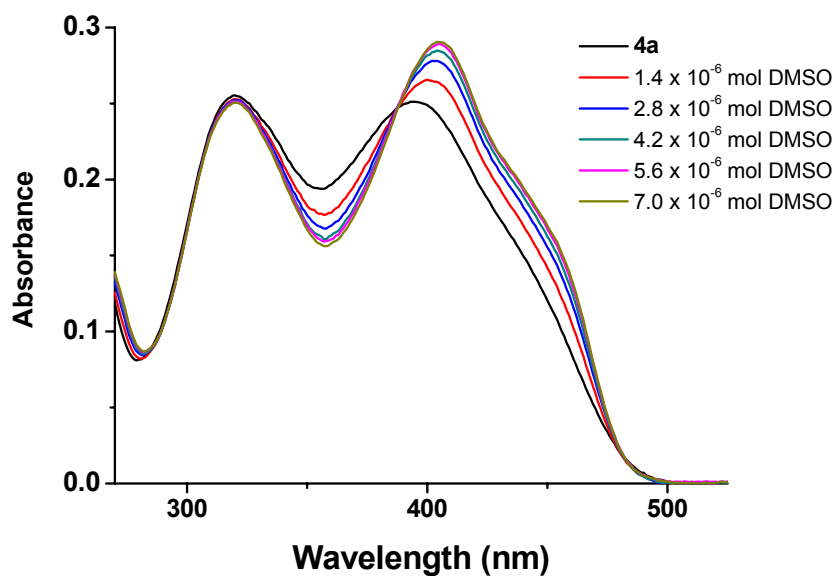


Fig. S11 UV/vis absorption spectra of **4a** in CHCl₃ (10 μM; 2.0 × 10⁻⁸ mol) and with addition of DMSO.