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Manuscript Title: Synthesis, Photophysical Properties and *in vitro* Photodynamic Activity of Axially Substituted Subphthalocyanines

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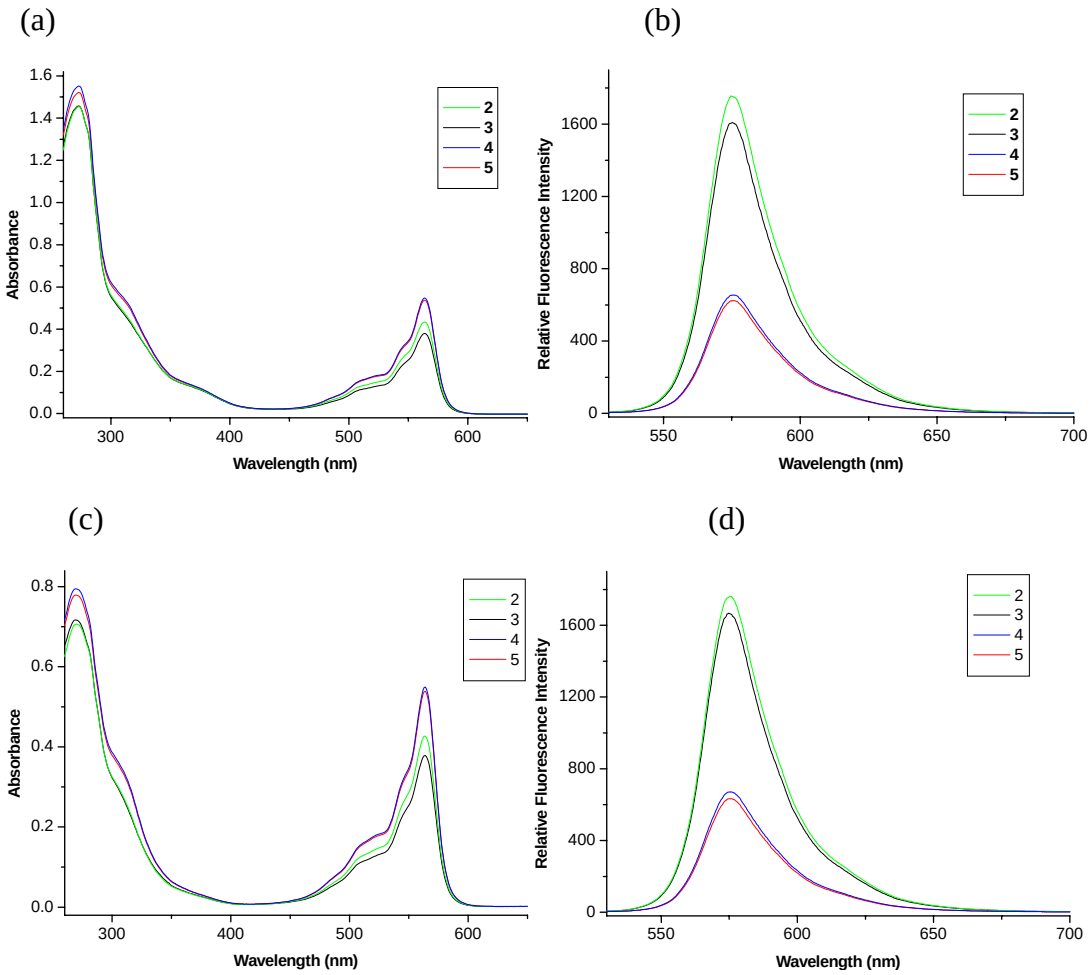

Fig. S1 (a) UV-Vis and (b) fluorescence spectra of **2-5** in the DMEM medium (8.0 μM). The corresponding spectra in the RPMI medium are shown in (c) and (d).

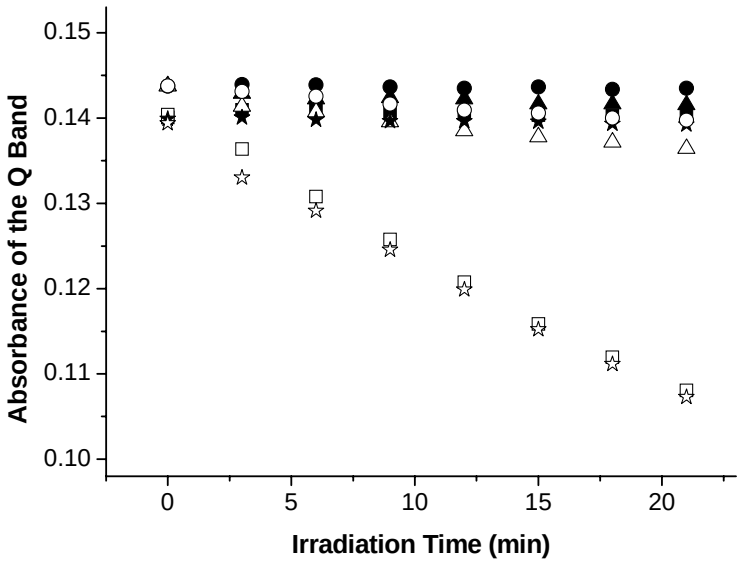

Fig. S2 Changes in the Q-band absorbance of **2** (stars), **3** (squares), **4** (circles) and **5** (triangles) in the RPMI medium (all at 2.0 μM) with time, both in the absence (closed symbols) and presence (open symbols) of light (λ > 515 nm, 9 mW cm^{-2}). The data were taken at 3-min intervals.

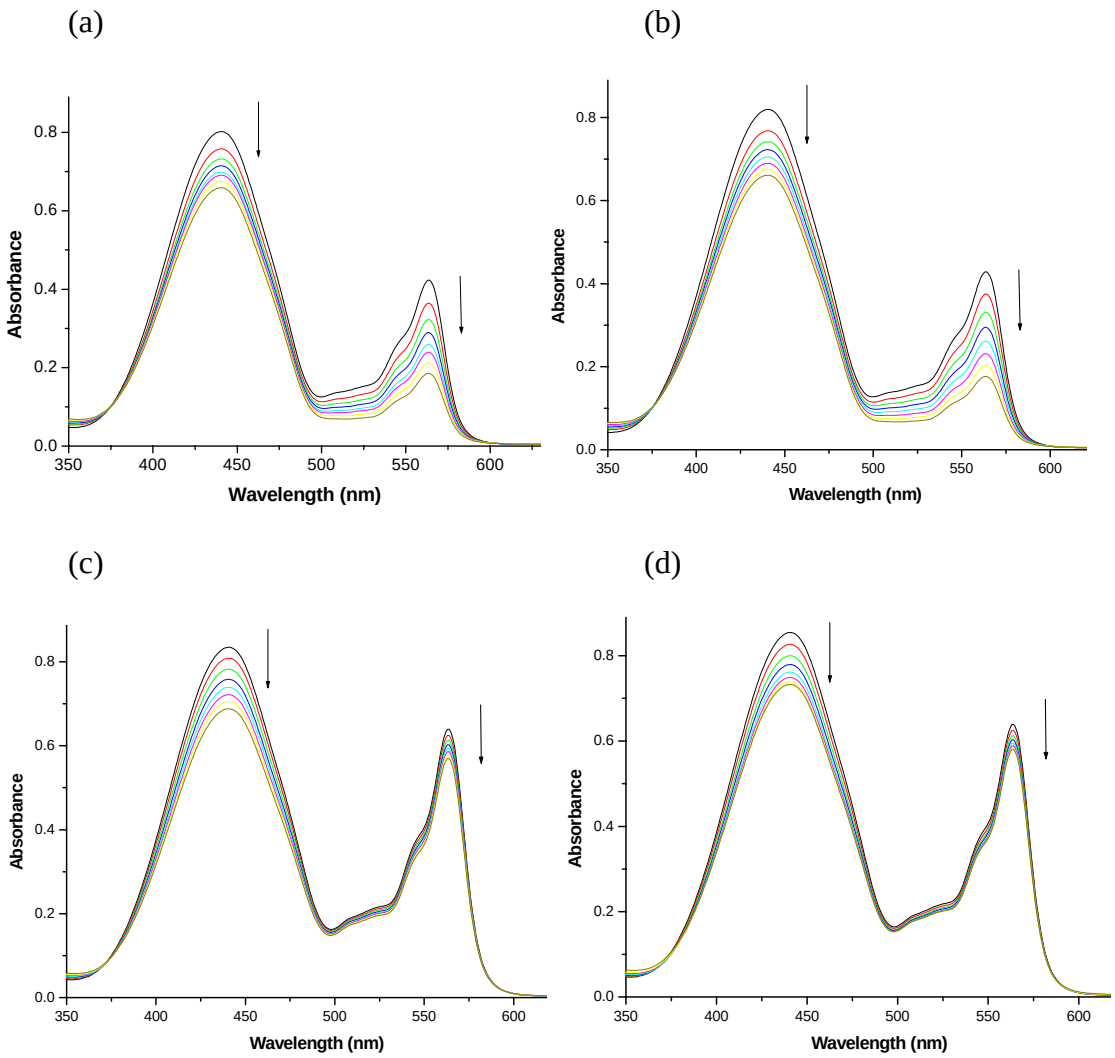

Fig. S3 Changes in absorption spectra of (a) **2**, (b) **3**, (c) **4** and (d) **5** (all at 8.0 μM) in the presence of RNO (0.02 mM) and imidazole (5.0 mM) in the RPMI medium upon irradiation ($\lambda > 515$ nm) with time. The spectra were taken at 3-min intervals. The relative rates of decay of RNO and the photosensitiser can be compared by monitoring the decrease in absorbance at 440 and 563-564 nm, respectively.

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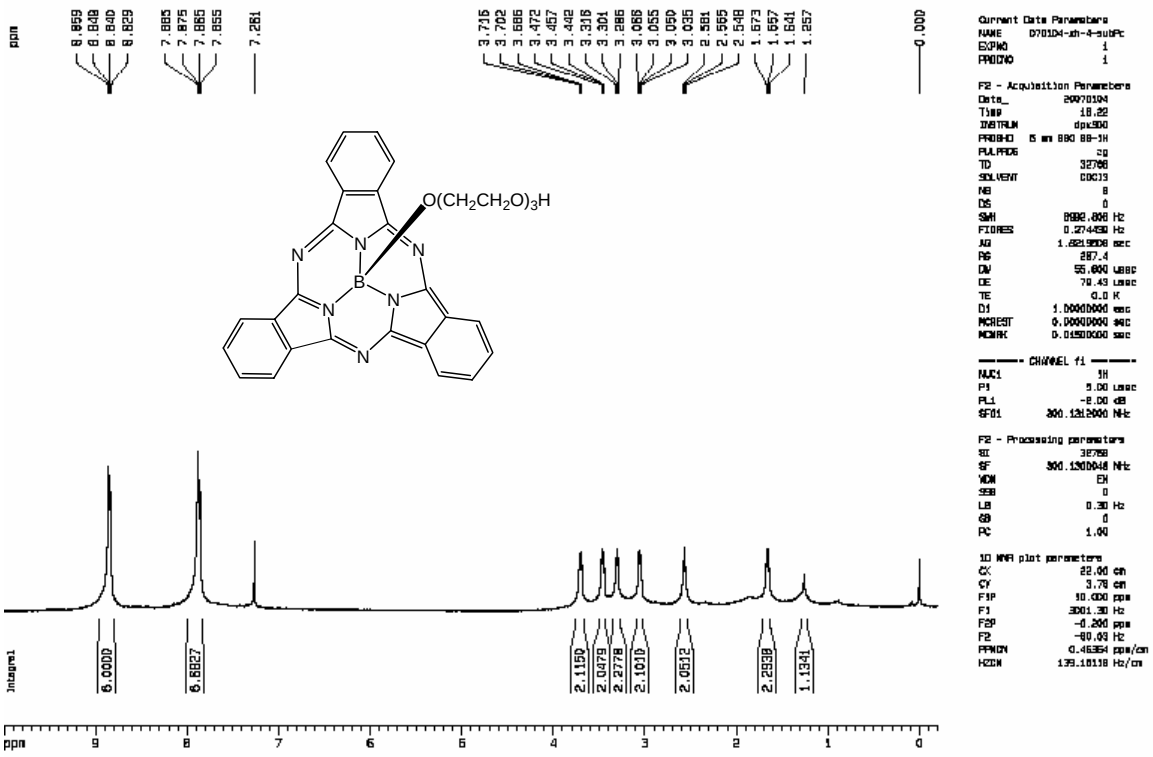

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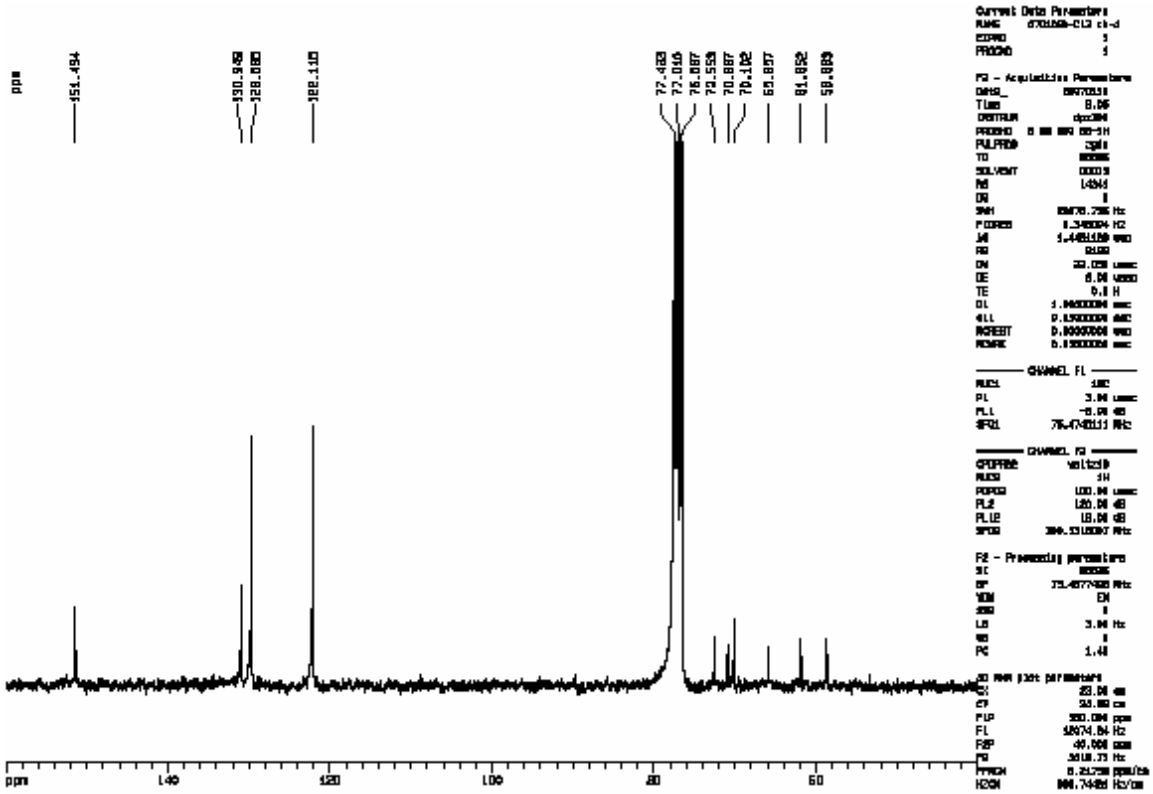

Fig. S4 (a) ^{1}H and (b) $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra of **2** in $CDCl_3$.

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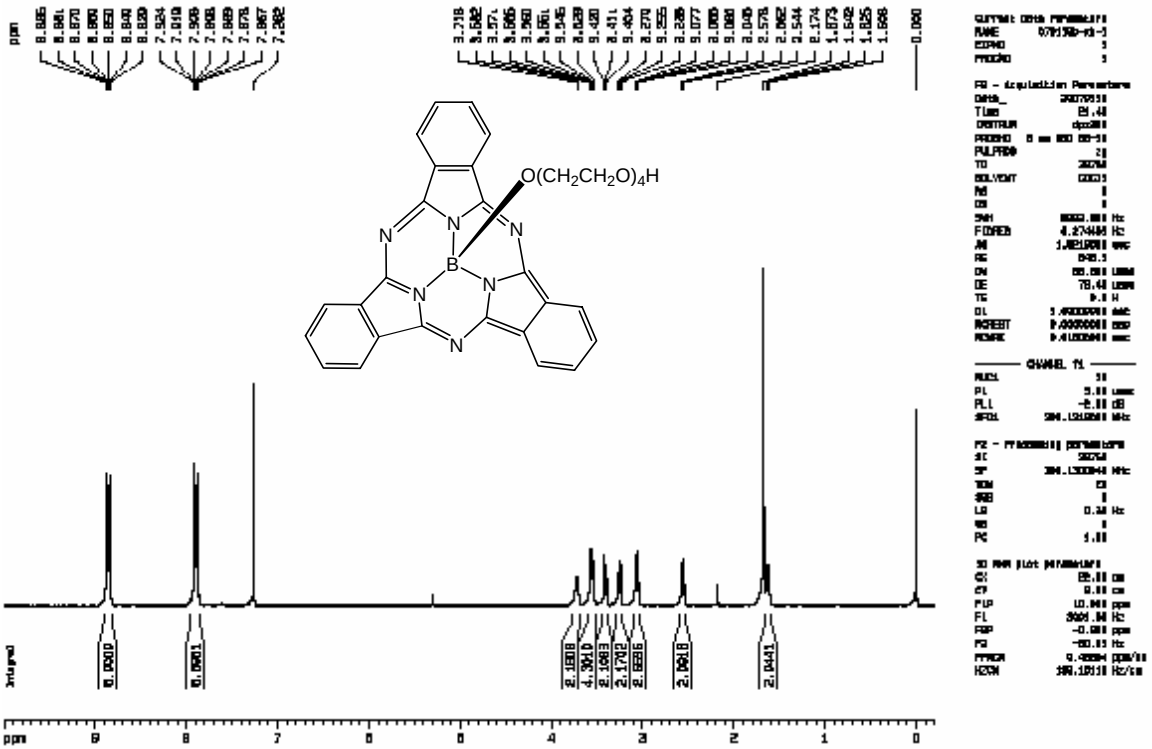

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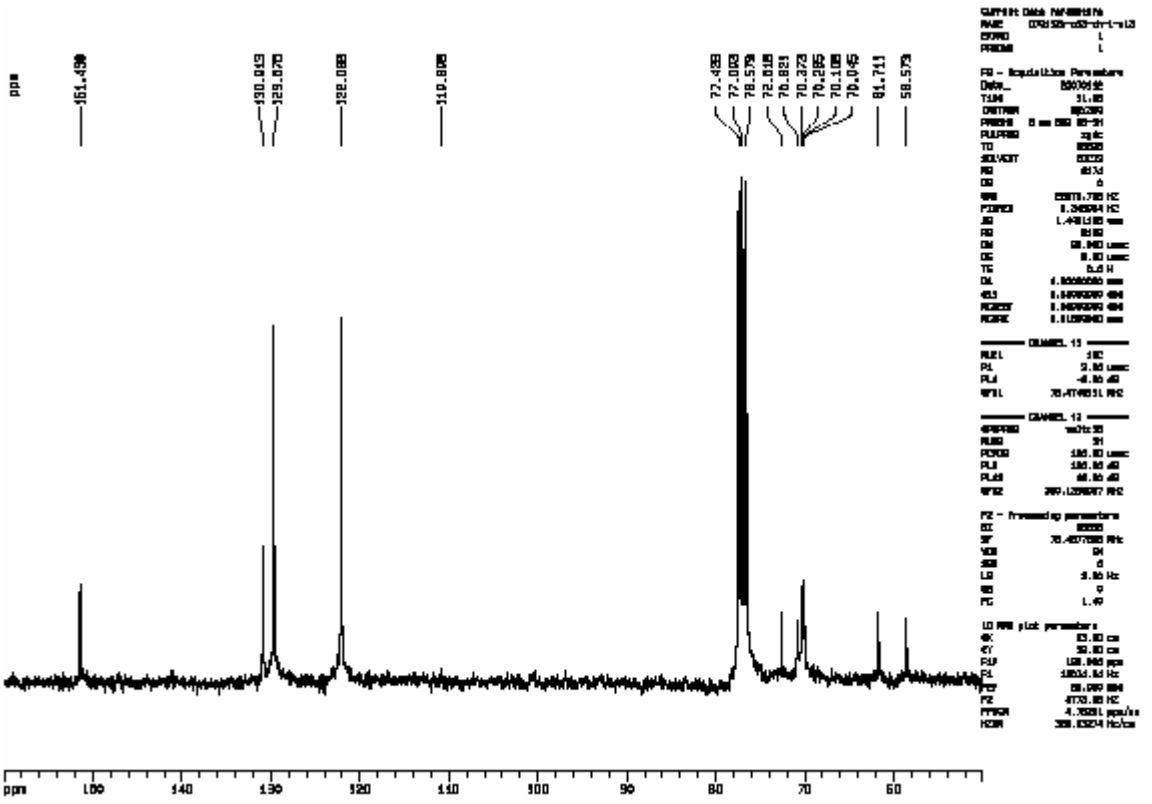

Fig. S5 (a) ^{1}H and (b) $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra of **3** in $CDCl_3$.

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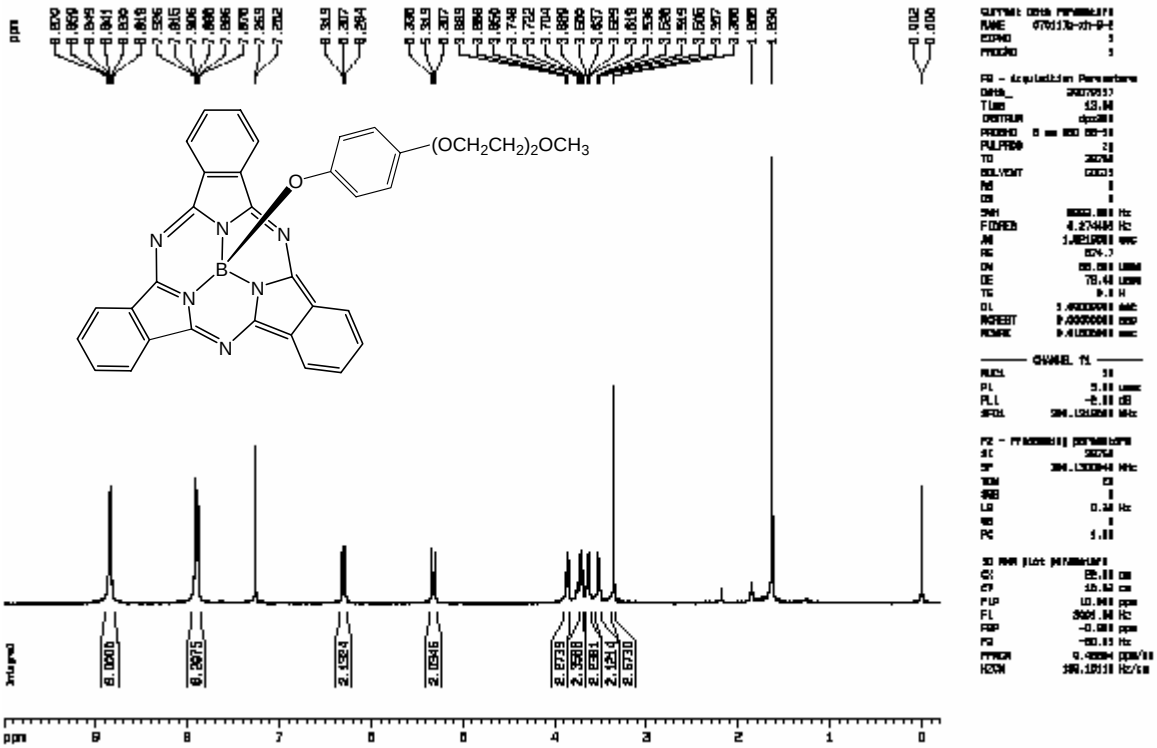

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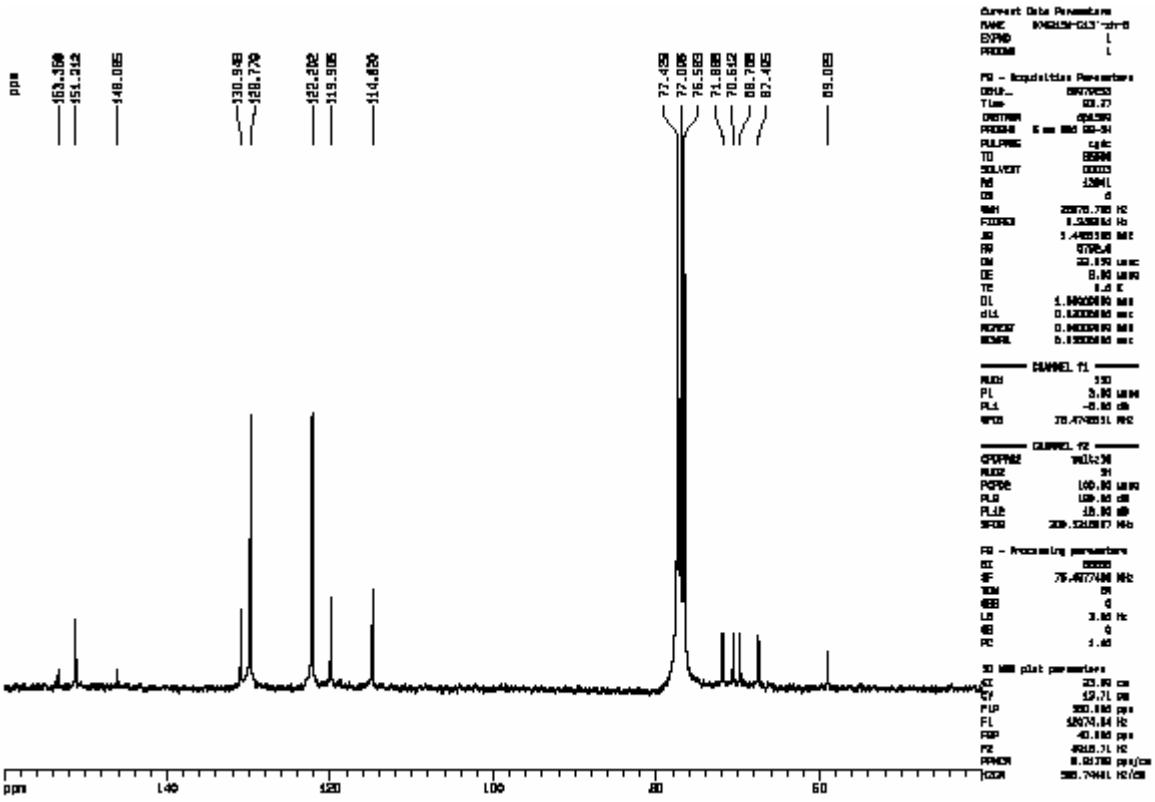

Fig. S6 (a) ^{1}H and (b) $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra of **4** in $CDCl_3$.

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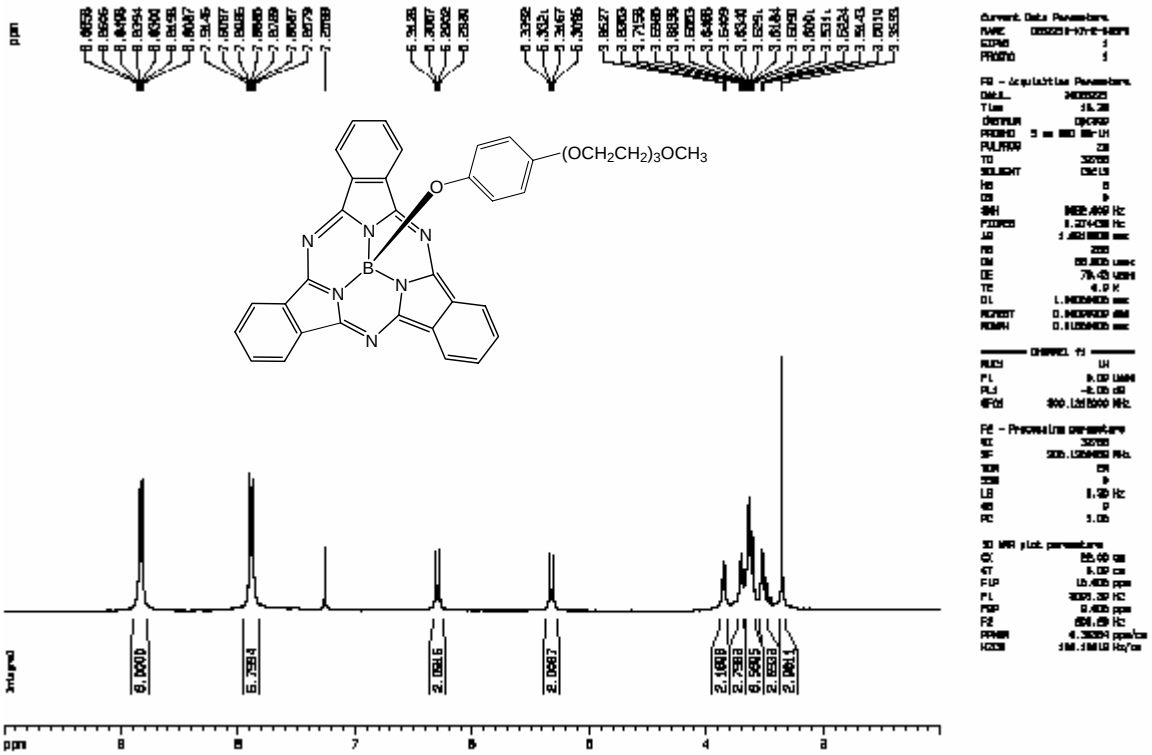

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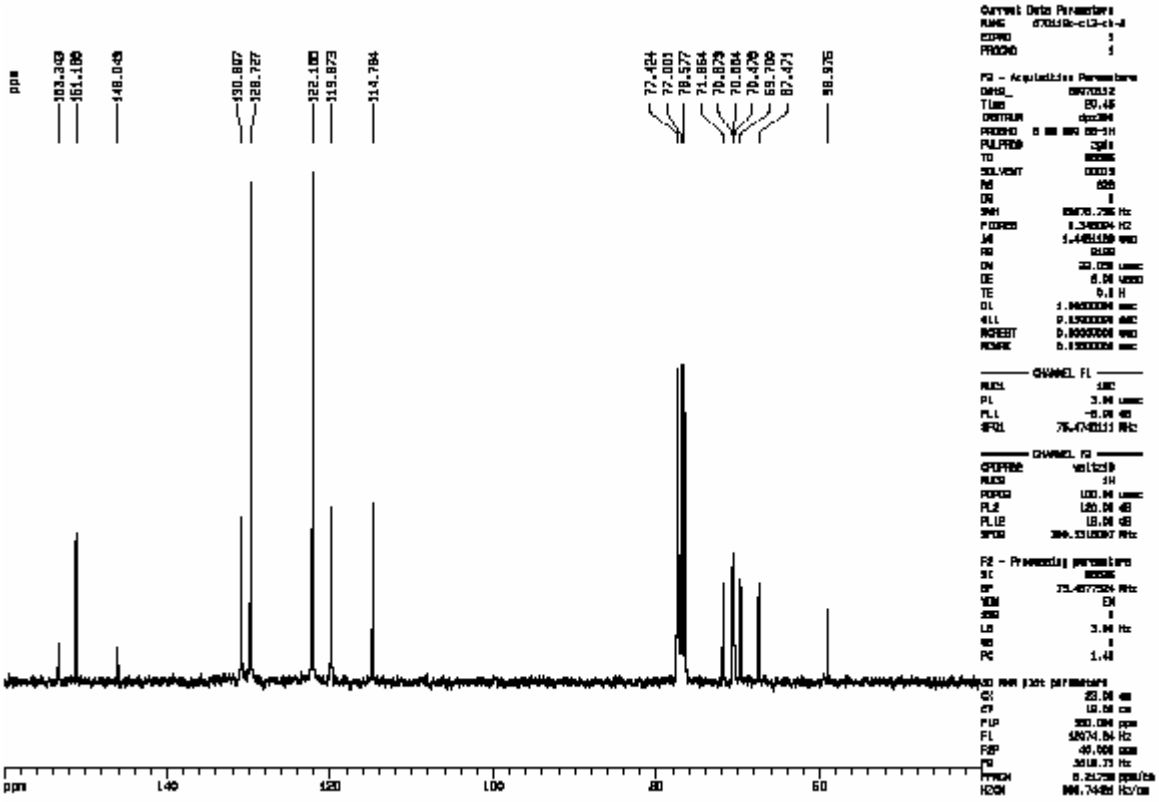

Fig. S7 (a) ^{1}H and (b) $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra of **5** in $CDCl_3$.