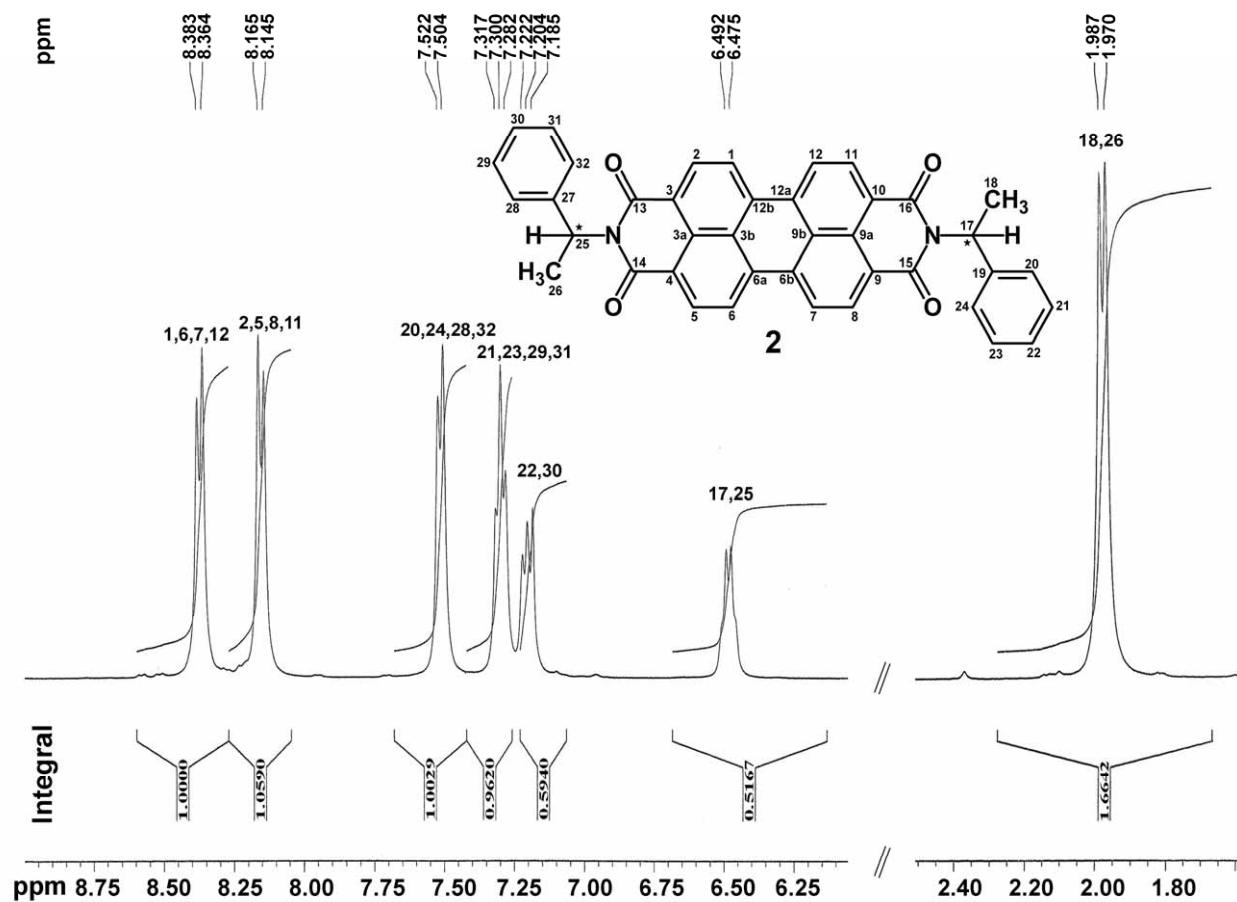


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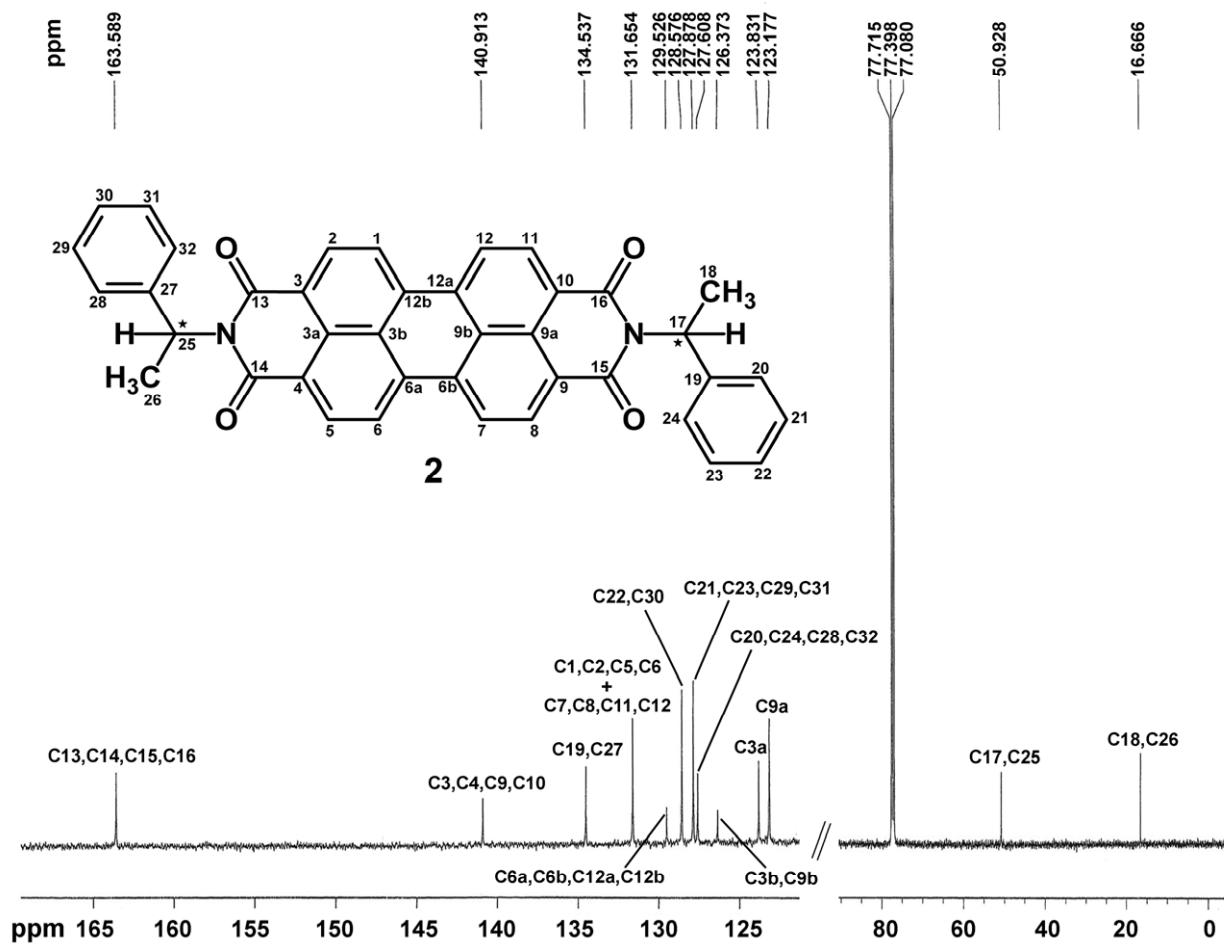
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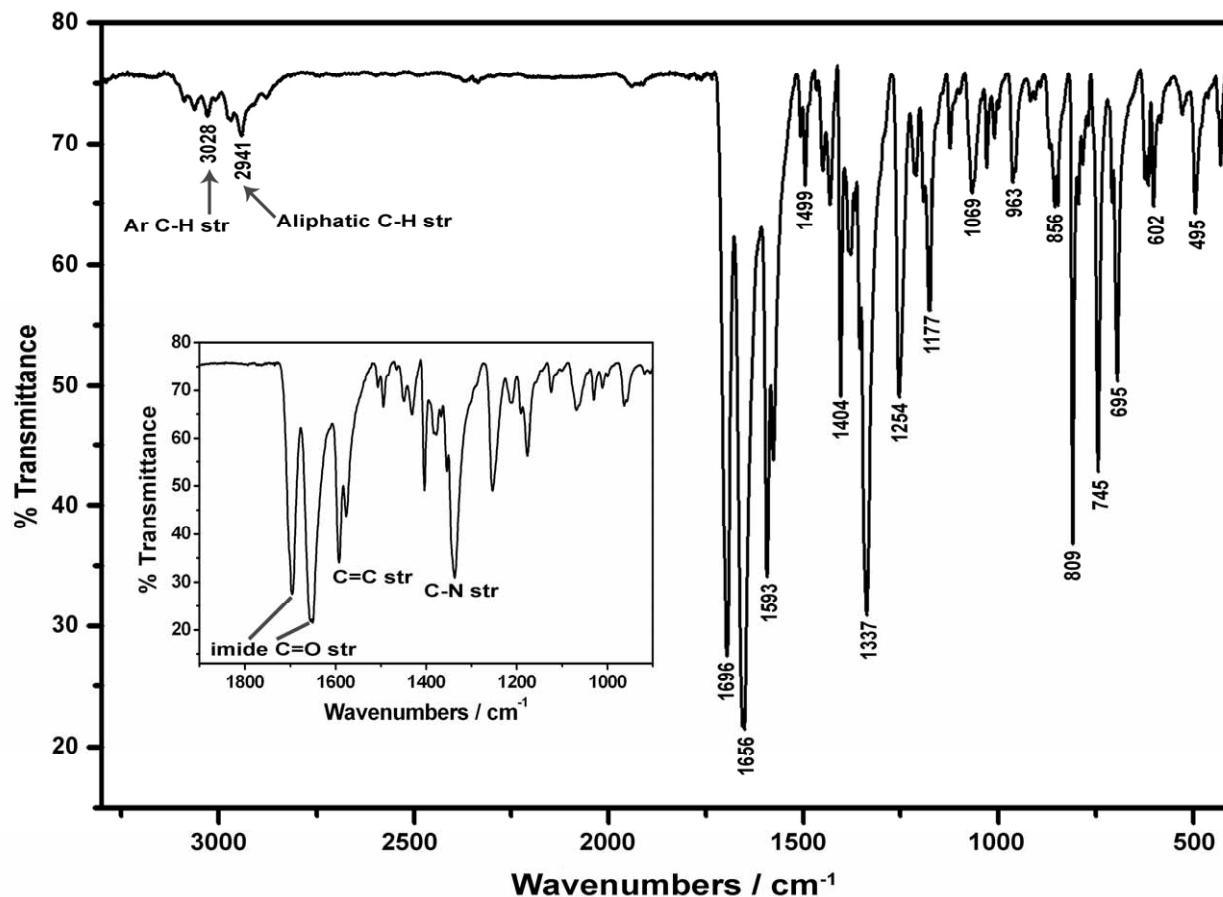
**Fig. S1**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

$^1\text{HNMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz, ppm):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  8.38–8.36 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 4 Ar–H, H–C(1), H–C(6), H–C(7), H–C(12)); 8.17–8.15 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 4 Ar–H, H–C(2), H–C(5), H–C(8), H–C(11)); 7.52–7.50 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 4 Ar–H, H–C(20), H–C(24), H–C(28), H–C(32)); 7.32–7.28 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 4 Ar–H, H–C(21), H–C(23), H–C(29), H–C(31)); 7.22–7.19 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2 Ar–H, H–C(22), H–C(30)); 6.49–6.48 (q,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2 CH, H–C(17), H–C(25)); 1.99–1.97 ppm (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2CH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>–C(18), H<sub>3</sub>–C(26)).



**Fig. S2**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

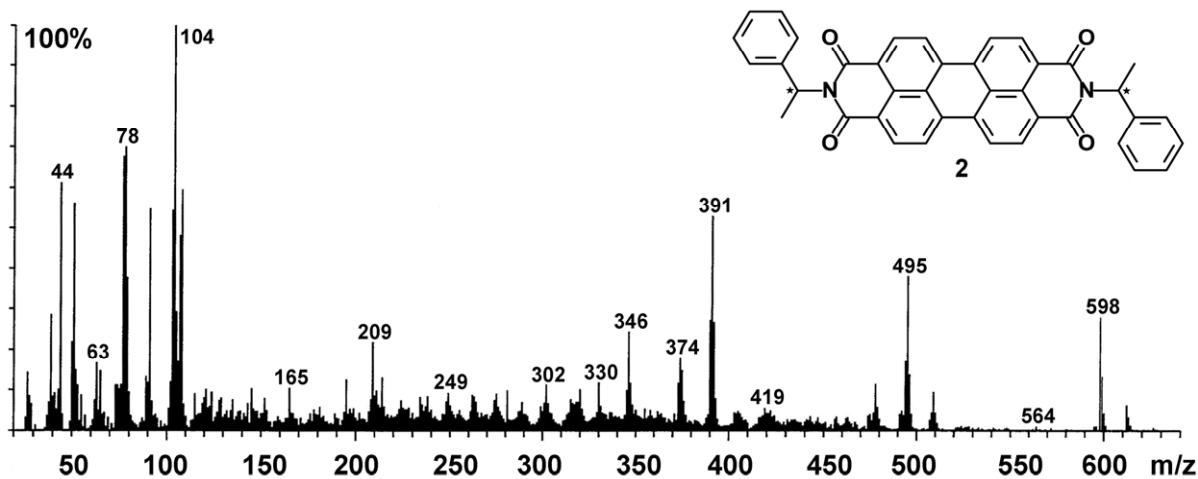
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100.6 MHz, ppm):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  163.59 (4 C=O, C(13), C(14), C(15), C(16)); 140.91 (4 (C), C(3), C(4), C(9), C(10)); 134.54 (2 (C), C(19), C(27)); 131.65 (8 CH, C(1), C(2), C(5), C(6), C(7), C(8), C(11), C(12)); 129.53 (4 (C), C(6a), C(6b), C(12a), C(12b)); 128.58 (2 CH, C(22), C(30)); 127.88 (4 CH, C(21), C(23), C(29), C(31)); 127.61 (4 CH, C(20), C(24), C(28), C(32)); 126.37 (2 (C), C(3b), C(9b)); 123.83 ((C), C(3a)); 123.18 ((C), C(9a)); 50.93 (2 CH, C(17), C(25)); 16.67 ppm (2  $\text{CH}_3$ , C(18), C(26)).



**Fig. S3** Infrared spectra of **2**. Insets: The enlarged figures of the peaks.

FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$  3028, 2941, 1696, 1656, 1593, 1499, 1404, 1337, 1254, 1177, 1069, 963, 856, 809, 745, 695, 602, 495.

As shown in the IR spectrum of **2**, the characteristic bands of the anhydride carbonyl stretching bands (1771 and 1730) had disappeared and were replaced by *N*-imides carbonyl stretching bands (1696 and 1656). Similarly, the characteristic band of the C=O–C stretching ( $1016\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) had disappeared and was replaced by C=N stretching band ( $1337\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Other absorption bands of **2** were very similar to those of **1**. However, the absorption bands of **2** have become more intense; at 3028 (aromatic C–H stretch); 2941 (aliphatic C–H stretch); 1696, 1656 (imides C=O stretch); 1593 (conjugated C=C stretch); 1337 (C–N stretch); 809 and 745 (C–H bend)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Moreover, the intrinsic chemical structure of perylene backbone was same in monoanhydride monoimide and diimide perylene structures.



**Fig. S4** Mass spectrum of **2** in DMF.

MS ( $m/z$ , (%)): 598 (M+1, 31), 564 (2), 495 (39), 419 (7), 391 (54), 374 (19), 346 (26), 330 (13), 302 (12), 249 (10), 209 (22), 165 (11), 104 (100), 78 (70), 63 (17), 44 (61).

The mass spectrum of the compound **2** showed the corresponding molecular ion peak at  $598\text{ }m/z$  (M+1). The fragments of  $495$  and  $391\text{ }m/z$  were produced by the breakage of Ph-CCH<sub>2</sub> and Ph-CCH<sub>3</sub> groups, respectively. Additionally, a fragment Ph-CCH<sub>3</sub> at  $104\text{ }m/z$  was observed as a base peak.