

Supporting Information

Direct Heteroarylation of β -Protected Dithienosilole and Dithienogermole

Monomers with Thieno[3,4-c]Pyrrole-4,6-Dione and Furo[3,4-c]Pyrrole-4,6-Dione

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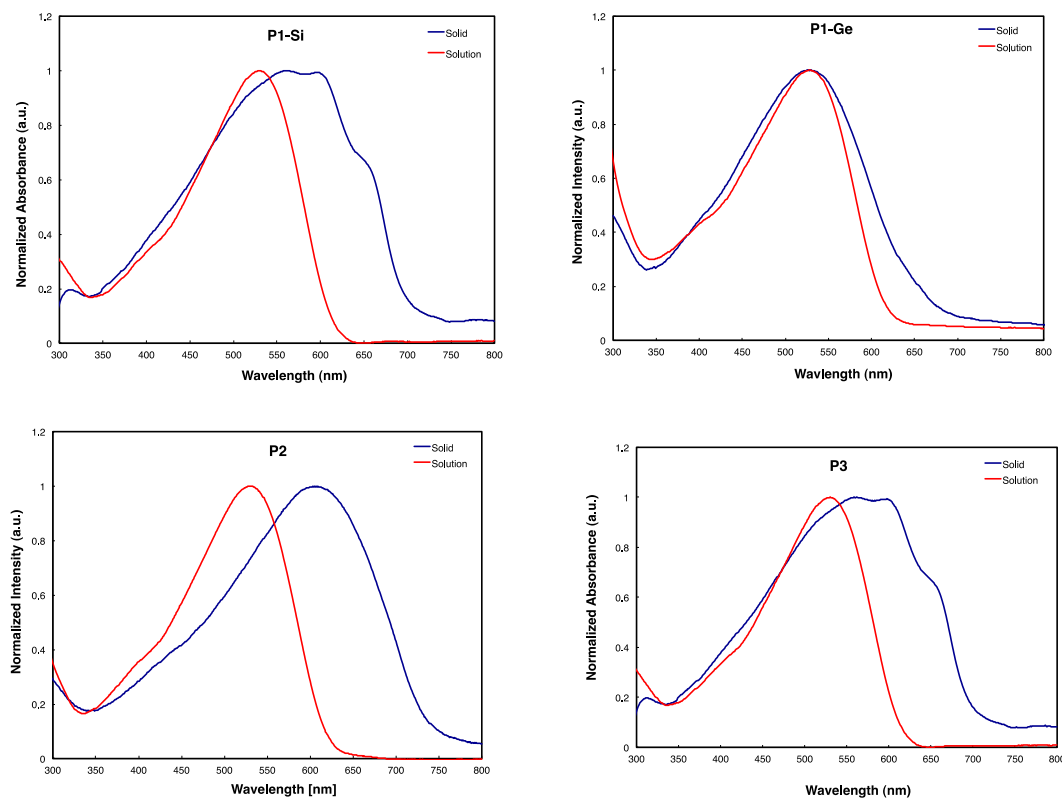
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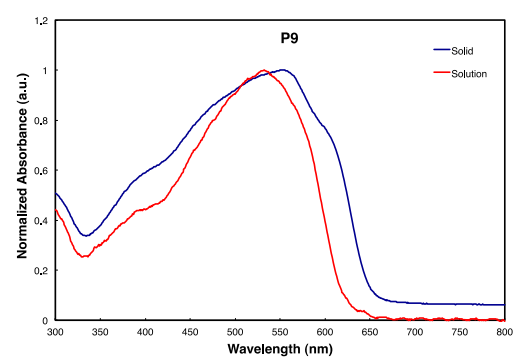
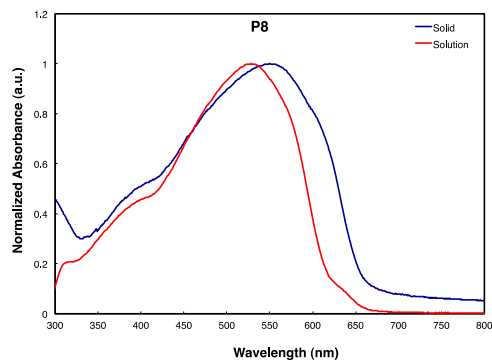
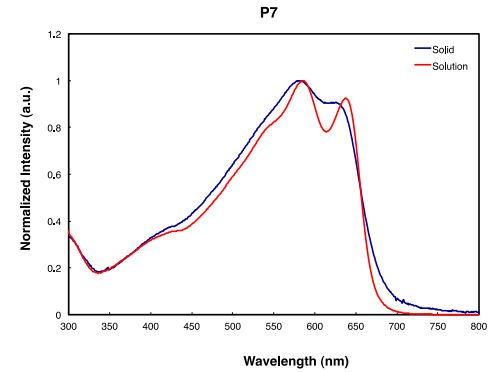
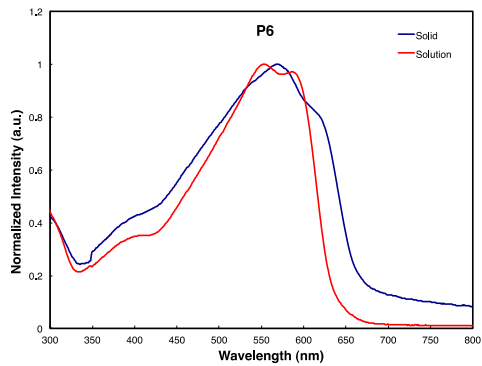
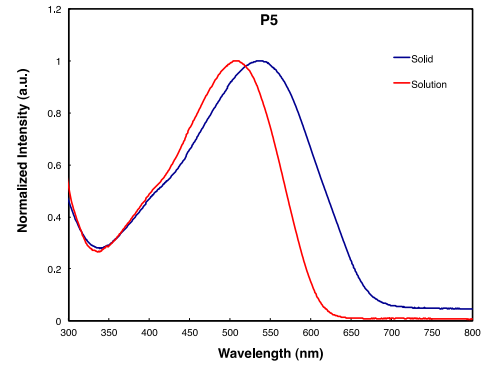
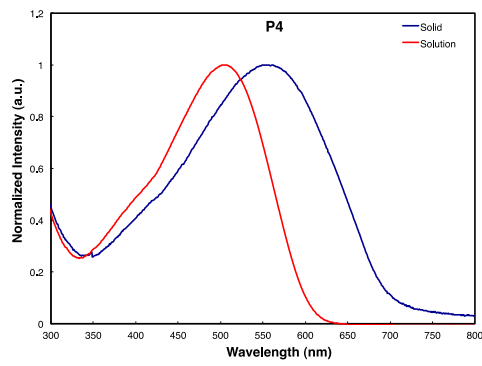
Table S1. Optimization of time for PDTSiTPD and PDTGeTPD via C-H activation.

Polymer	Solvent	Time [h]	Mn [kDa] (PDI)	Yield [%]
PDTSiTPD	PhMe	16	17 (2.2)	34
PDTSiTPD	PhMe	24	20 (3.0)	39
PDTSTPD ^a	-	-	28 (1.6) ¹	38 ¹
PDTGTPD	PhMe	4	15 (3.0)	94
PDTGTPD	PhMe	16	16.8 (3.4)	17
PDTGTPD	PhMe	24	10.9 (2.3) 13.8 (2.6)	60
PDTGTPD ^a	-	-	48.0 (1.7) ²	73 ²

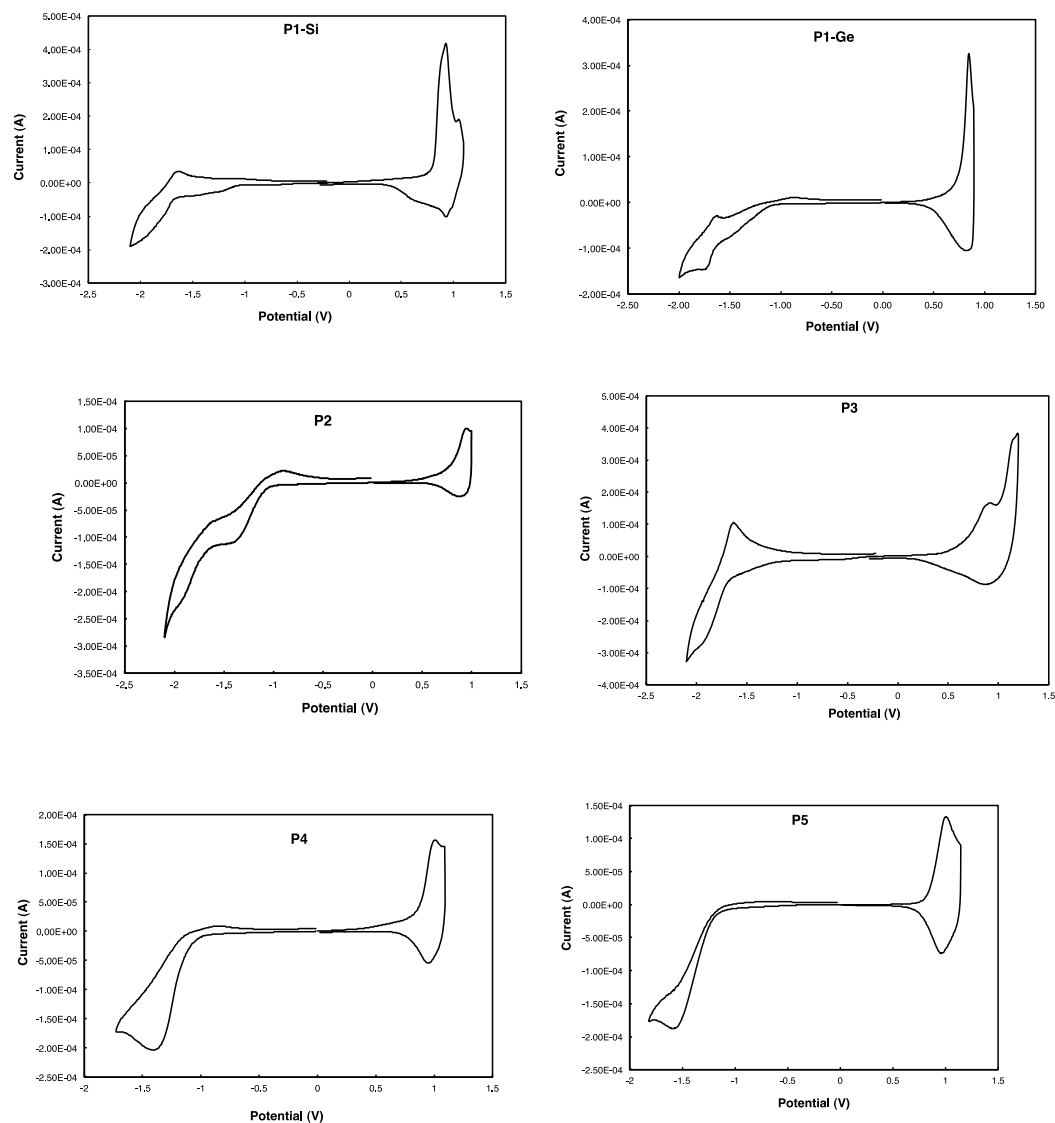
a) prepared by Stille polymerization

Figures S1. Solid and solution UV-vis absorption for polymers **P1-P9**.





Figures S2. Cyclic voltammetry curves for thin films of **P1-P9** measured in $[\text{NBu}_4][\text{BF}_4]$ (0.1 M) in MeCN at a scan rate of 50 mV/s and referenced to ferrocene. -4.70 eV was used as 0.0 V vs. NHE.³



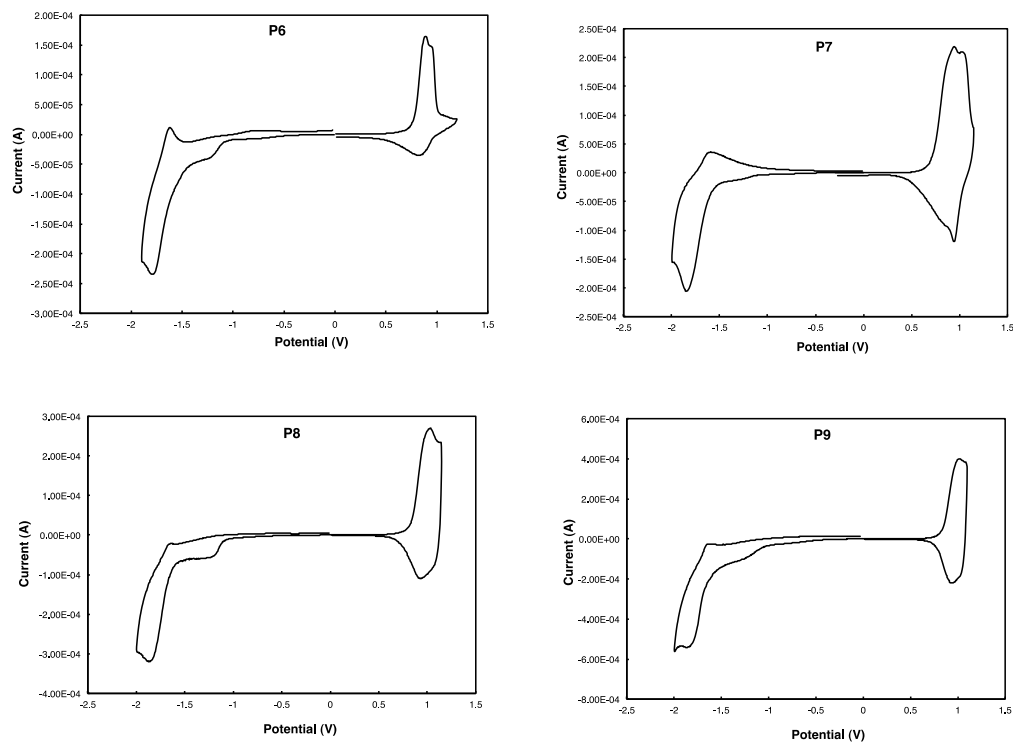


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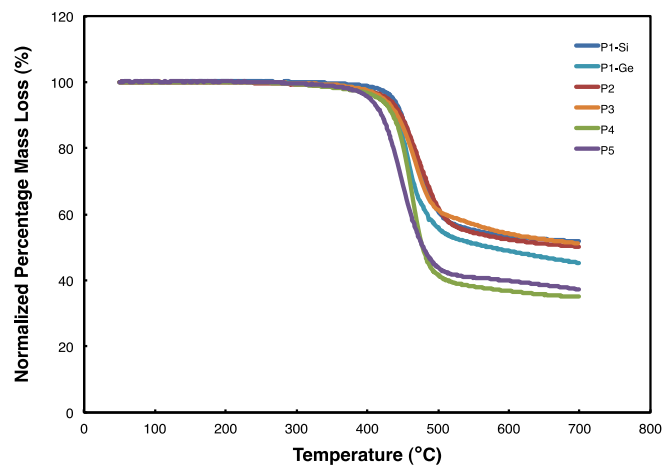


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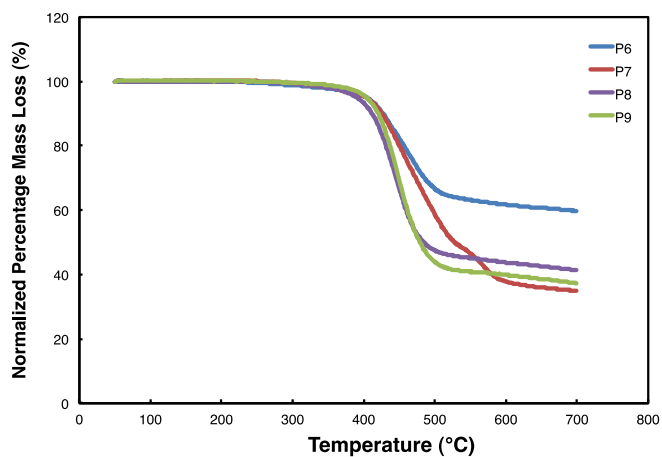


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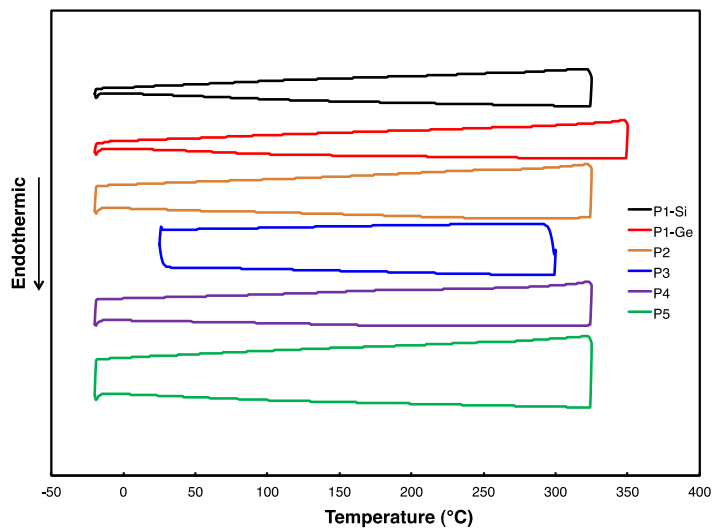


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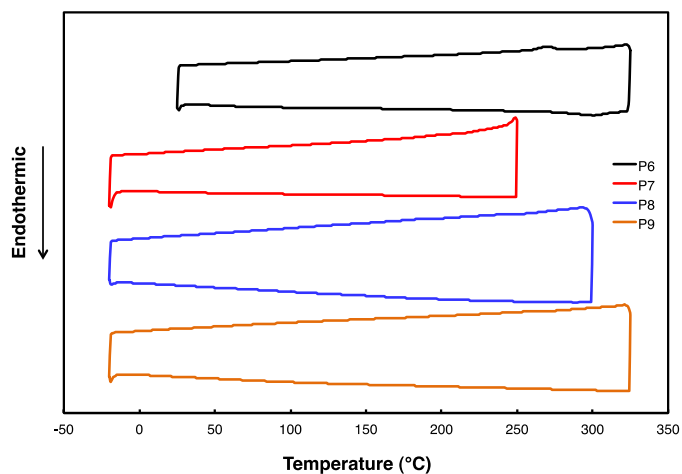


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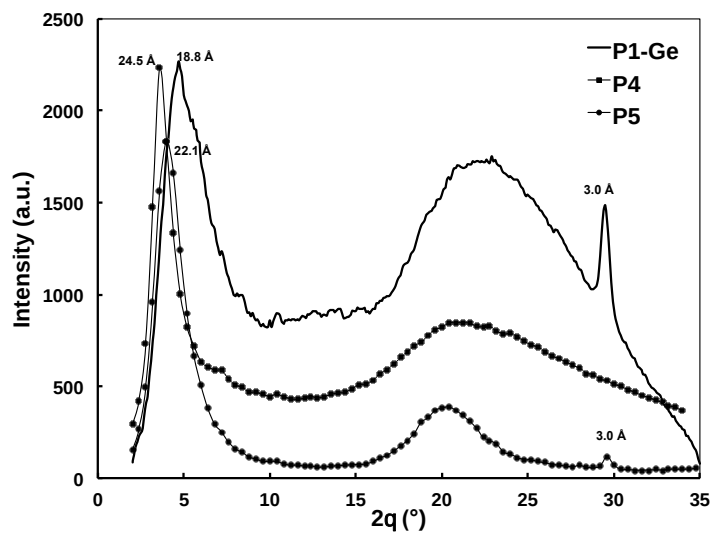


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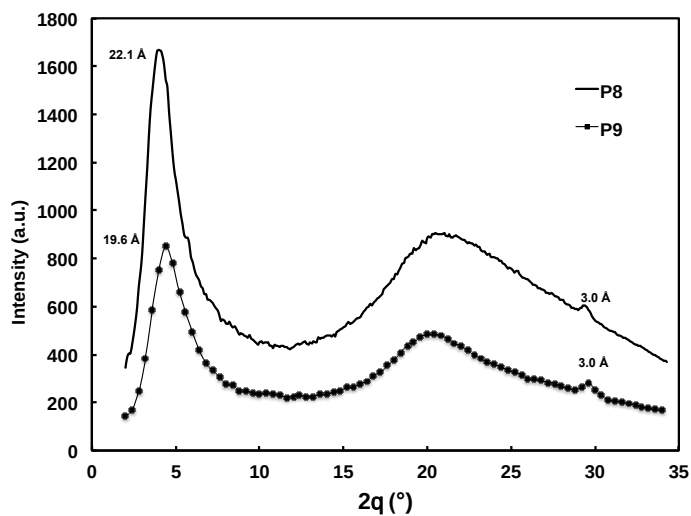


Figure S9. Current-voltage characteristics (*right*) and external quantum efficiency (EQE) as a function of wavelength (*left*) for OPVs composed of **P1-Si**:2PC₇₀BM (chlorobenzene + 2% DIO) blends.

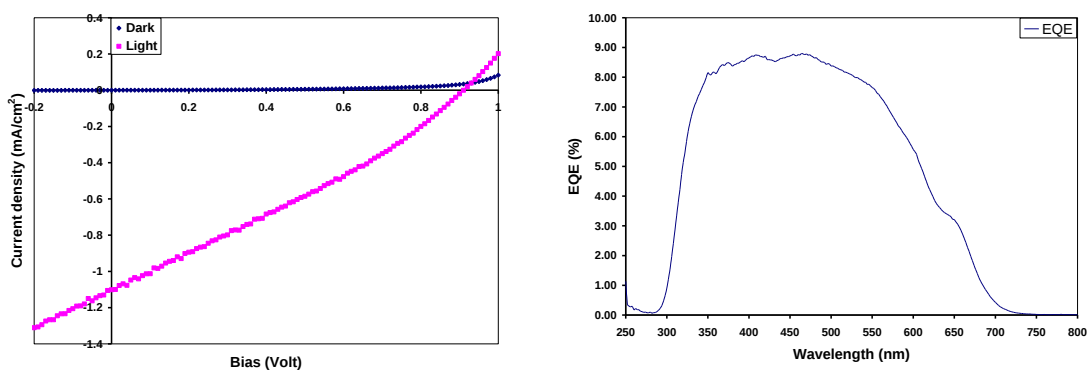


Figure S10. Current-voltage characteristics (*right*) and external quantum efficiency (EQE) as a function of wavelength (*left*) for OPVs composed of **P3:2PC₇₀BM** (chlorobenzene + 2% DIO) blends.

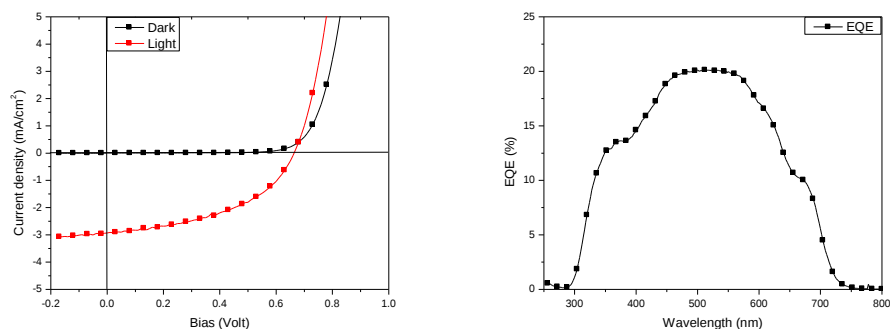


Figure S11. Current-voltage characteristics (*right*) and external quantum efficiency (EQE) as a function of wavelength (*left*) for OPVs composed of **P6:2PC₇₀BM** (chlorobenzene + 2% DIO) blends.

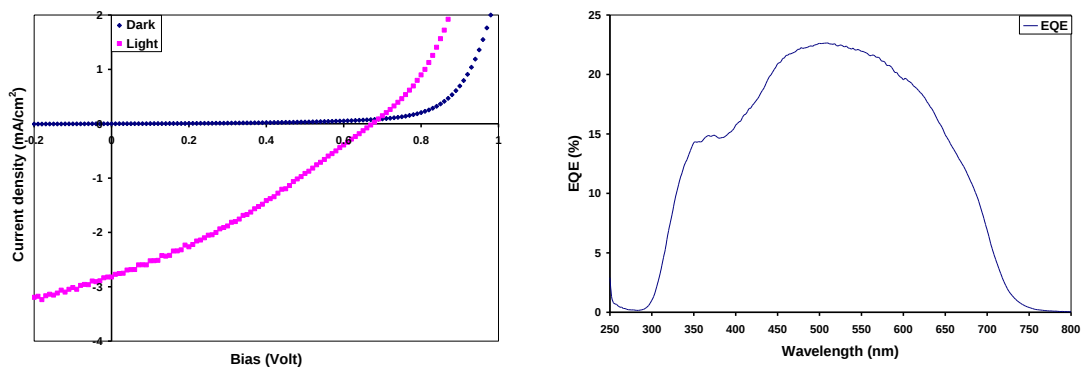
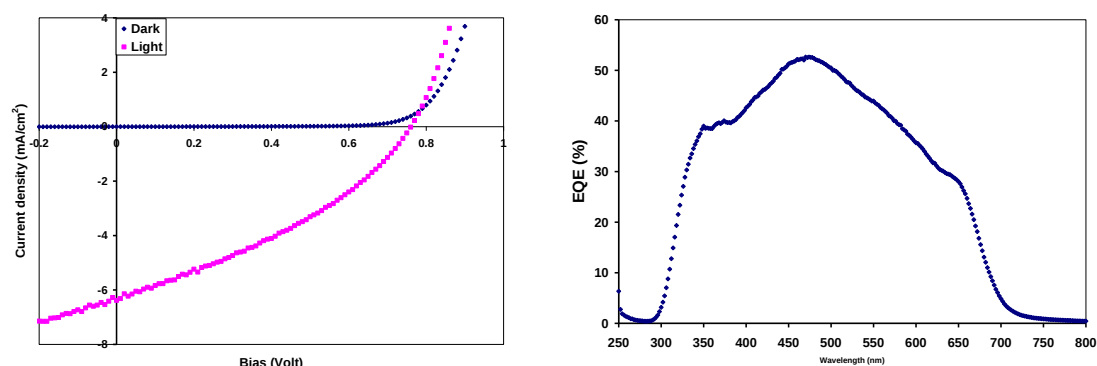
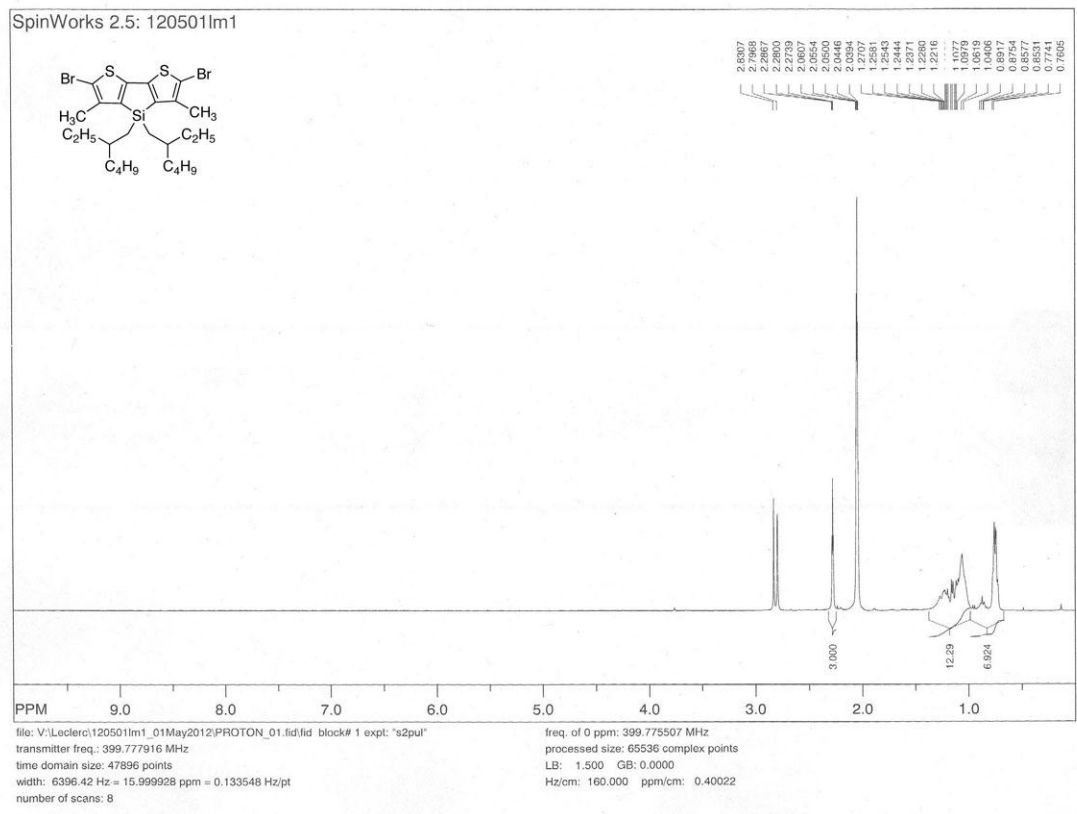
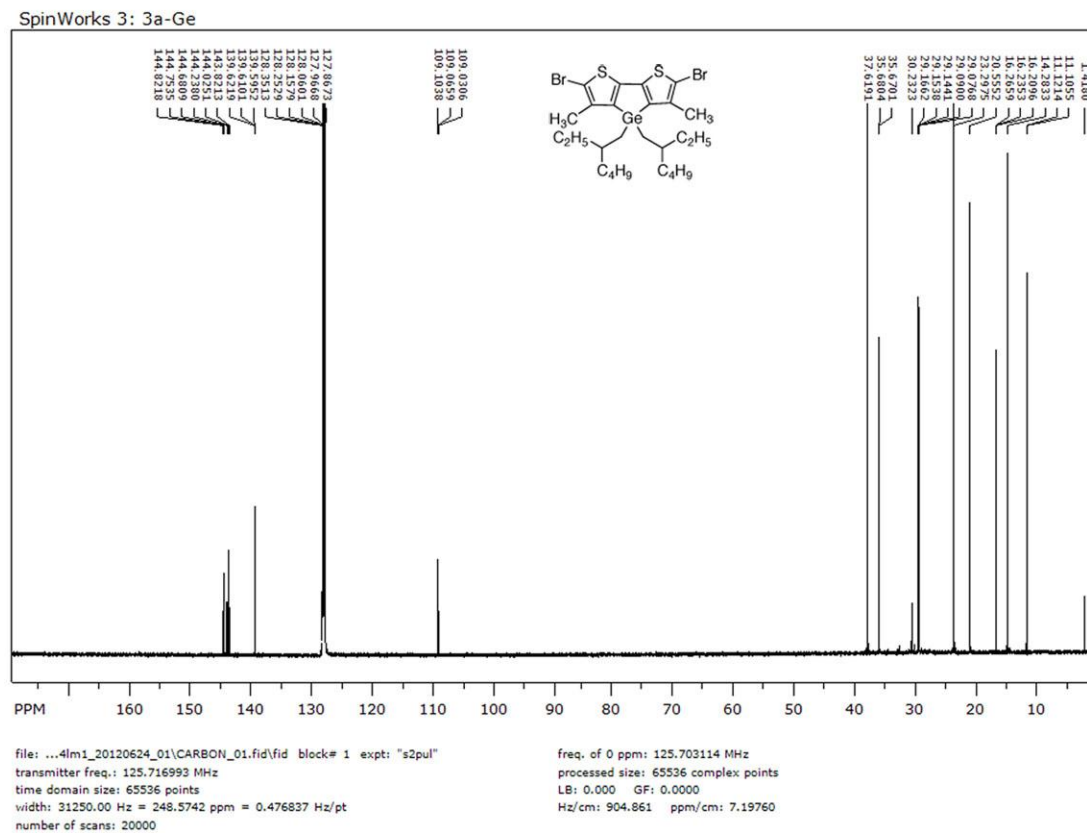
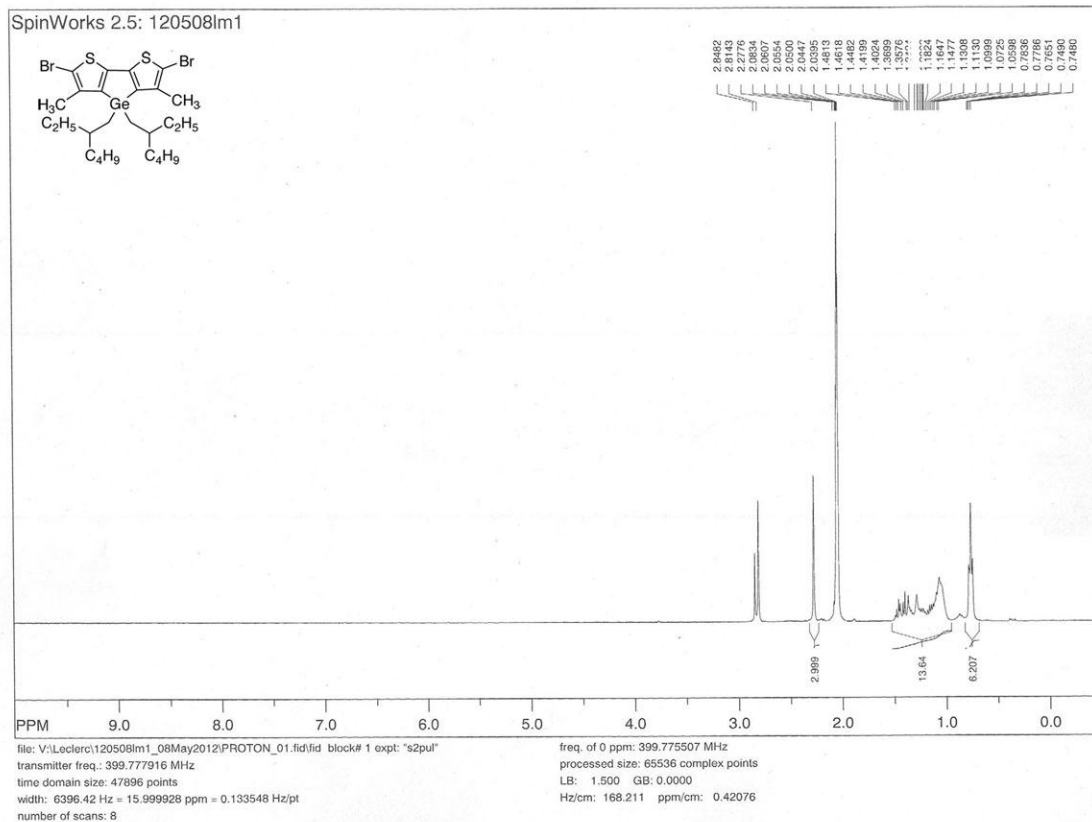
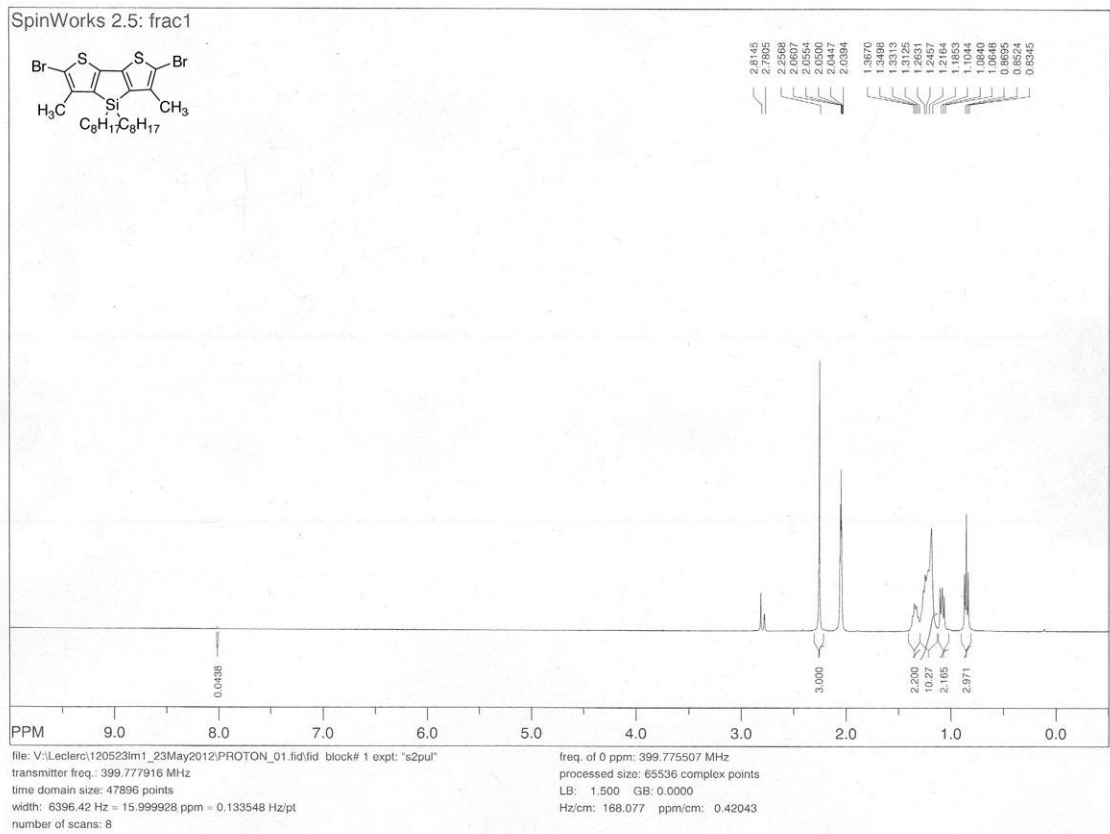


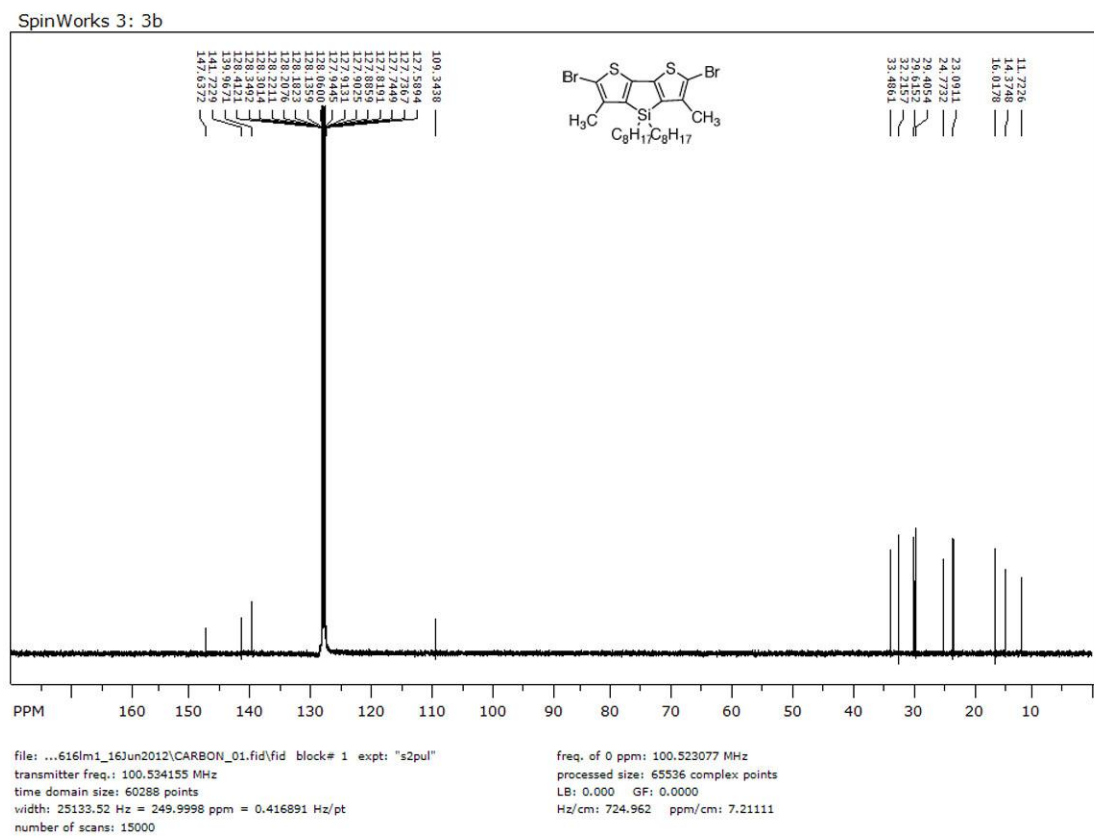
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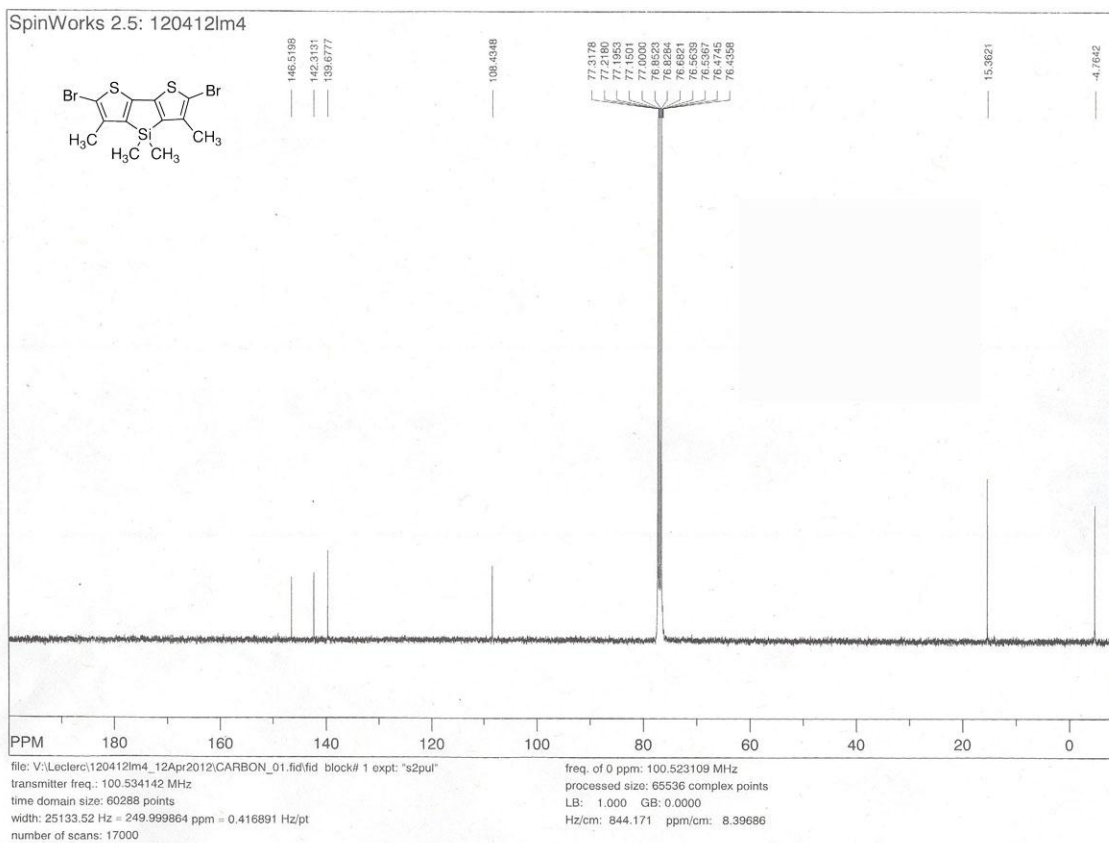
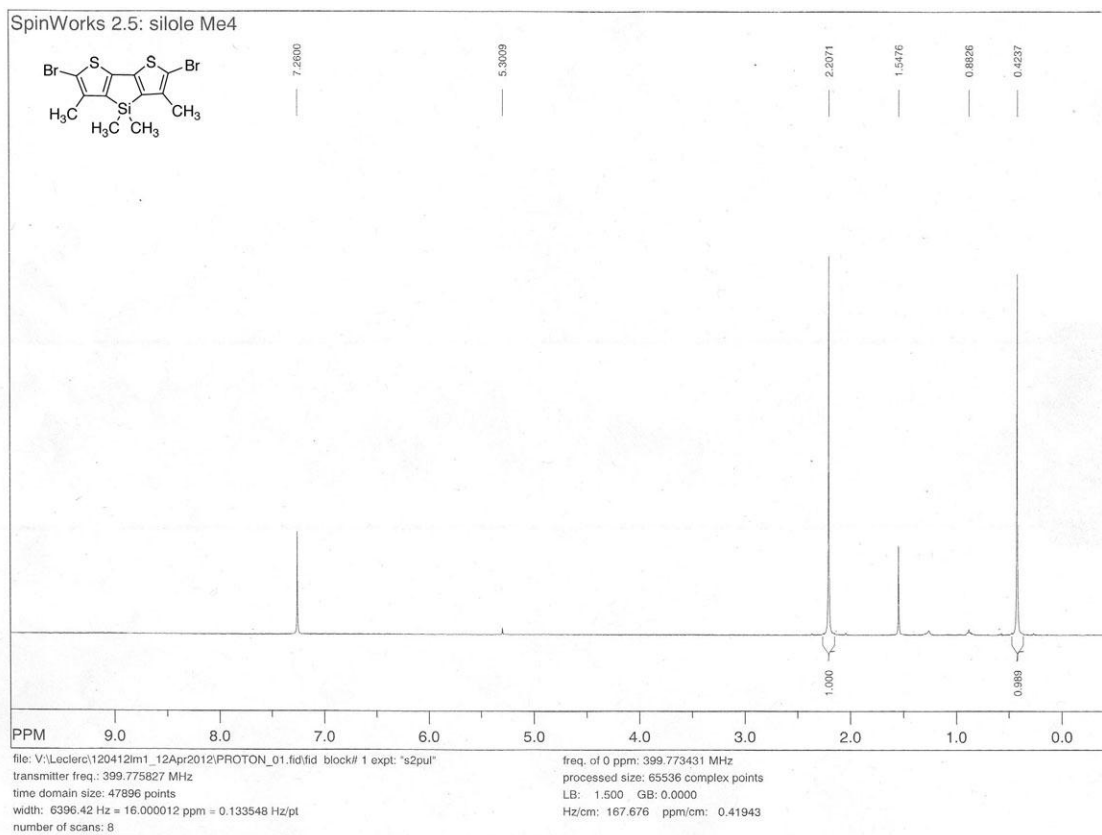


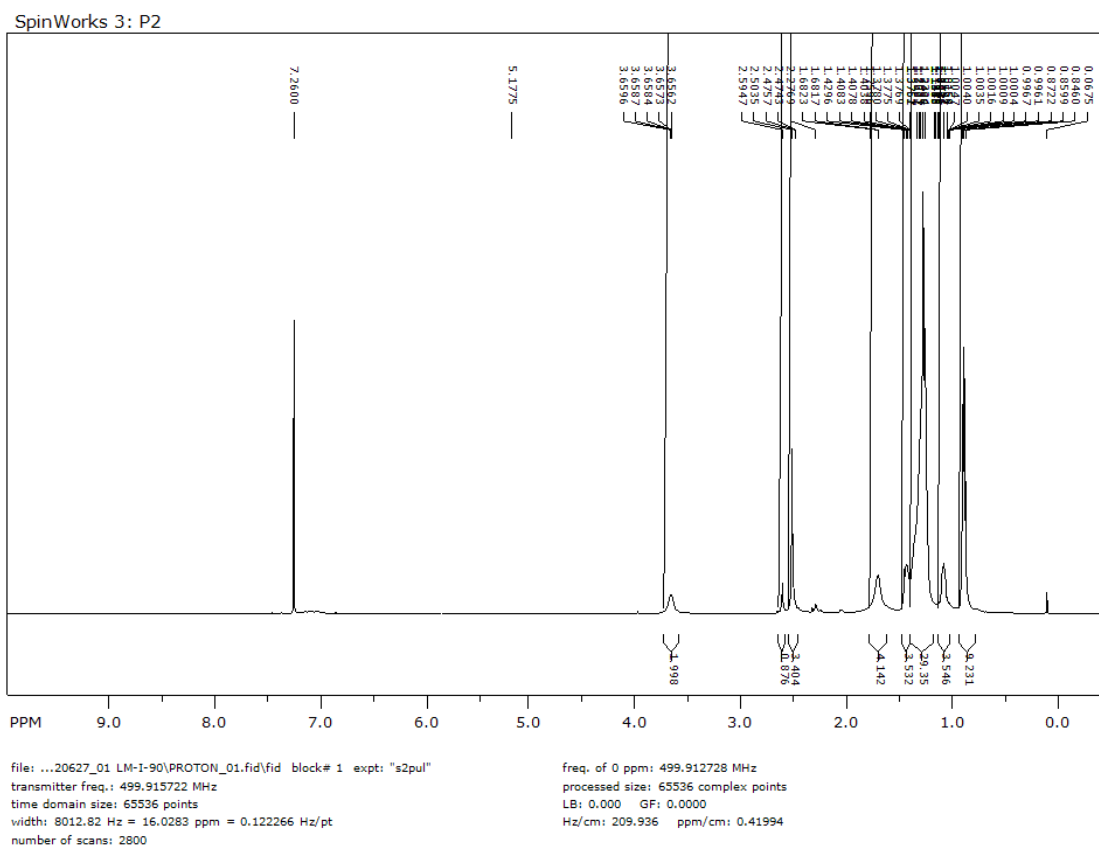




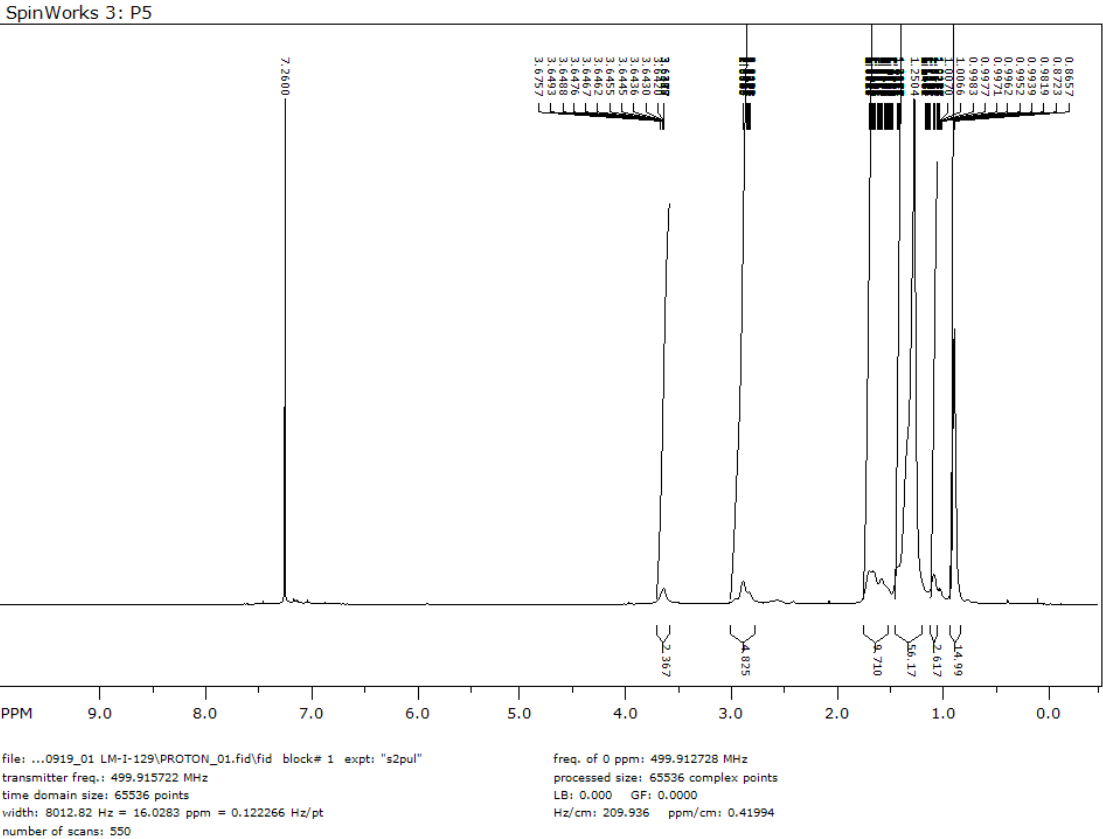


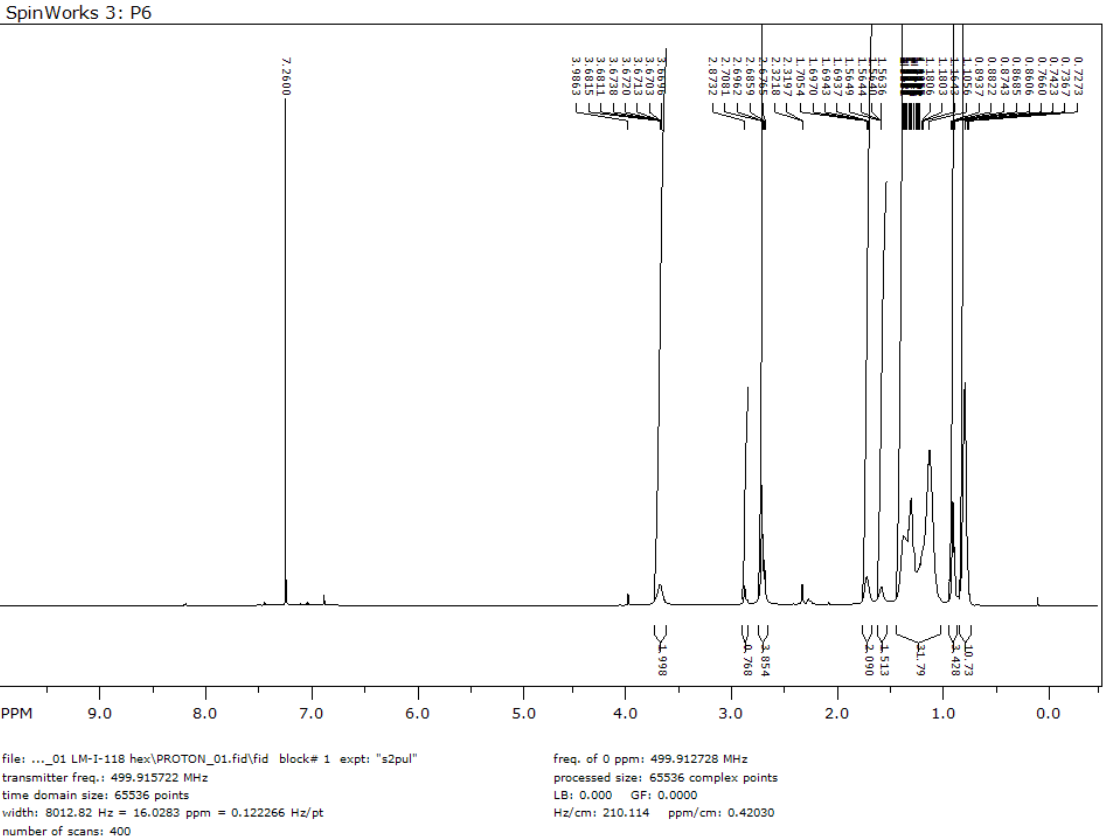


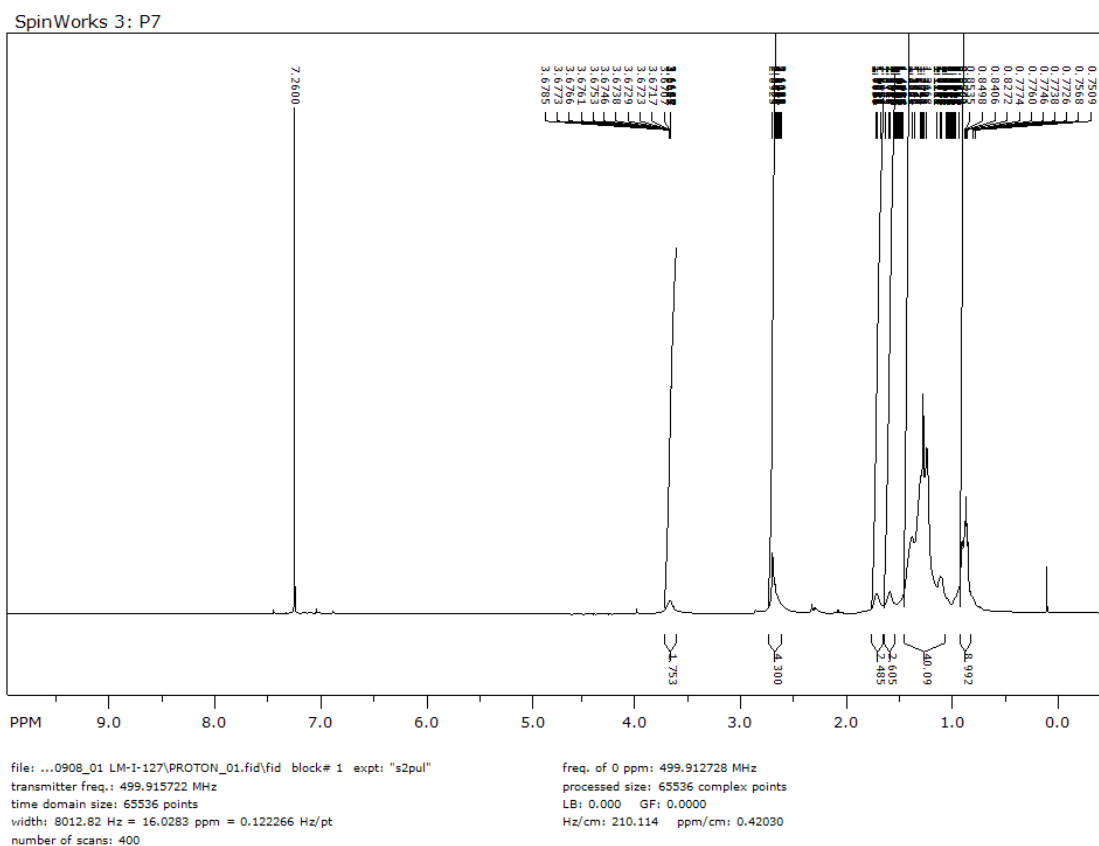




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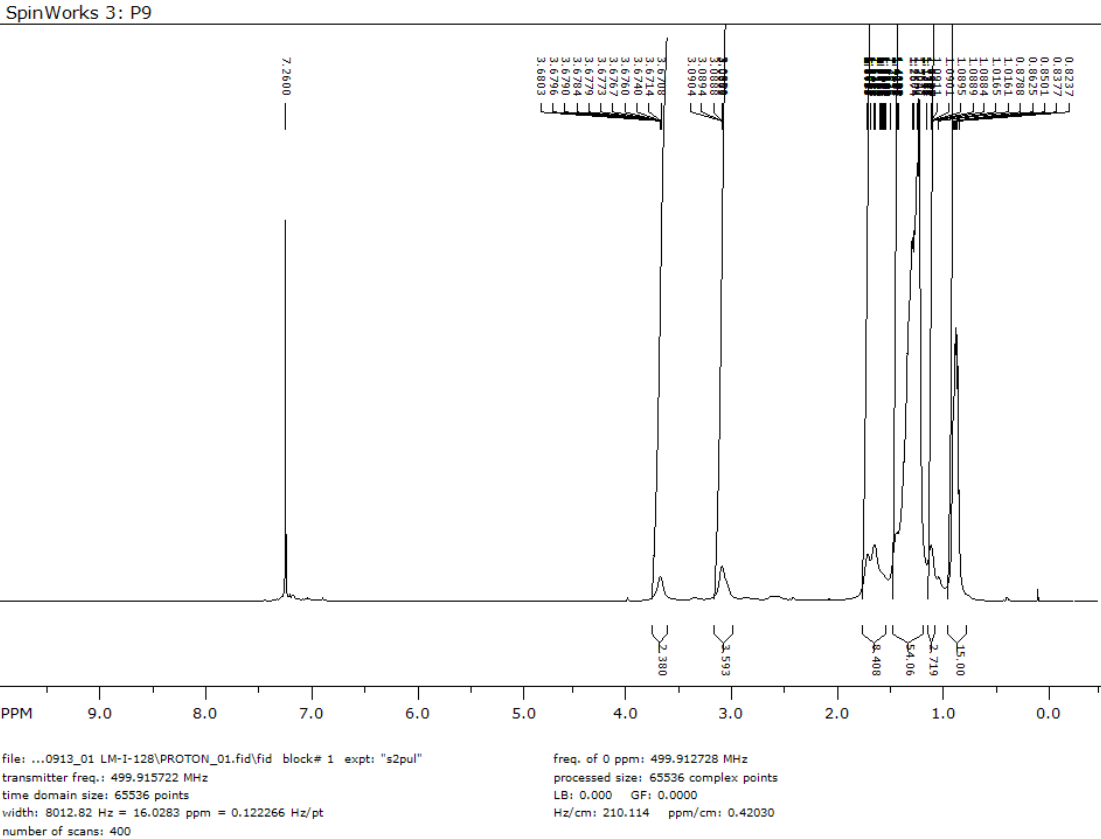
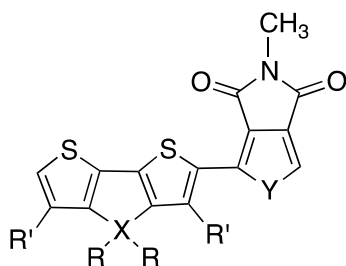


Figure S13. X,y,z coordinates of optimized structures from Gaussian 03⁴ calculations carried out at the B3LYP 6-31G** level of theory.



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C	4.5838295846	1.328072453	-0.0763676491
C	6.388947436	-0.2038302925	0.0633469431
O	7.5390194922	-0.5940165496	0.1031000273
O	4.0411086324	2.4142576516	-0.171276972
N	5.9874652193	1.1429866146	-0.0510722935

C	6.9235756542	2.2482418979	-0.1377067103
H	6.7903539434	2.931647188	0.7054382719
H	7.9290413033	1.8269806458	-0.1181215437
H	6.7703640068	2.8063893552	-1.0651431413
C	-3.4200445128	-0.7845384382	2.9649331427
H	-3.80372611	0.2238998127	2.7554229878
C	-1.9883315899	-0.6385773156	3.5000183145
H	-1.554328787	-1.6222327308	3.7193069488
H	-1.3321385667	-0.1376419294	2.783475614
H	-1.9762275816	-0.0582110703	4.4287158978
C	-2.6834536265	-1.8140637485	-2.7664036554
H	-1.5908704251	-1.8111700165	-2.6480346069
C	-4.3291055975	-1.4172966343	4.0306739595
H	-3.9931102144	-2.431722842	4.2784846601
H	-4.322882422	-0.830839158	4.9560974412
H	-5.3663167172	-1.4864290927	3.6846186654
C	-3.0868363798	-0.490591548	-3.4322093632
H	-2.6231867409	-0.3931515178	-4.4196105231
H	-4.1743136292	-0.4430525741	-3.5722385528
H	-2.7898640631	0.3757013769	-2.835198103
C	-3.0512714897	-3.003012886	-3.668326431
H	-4.1366947171	-3.059497687	-3.8169744994
H	-2.5857396413	-2.9110705354	-4.655863551
H	-2.7259633329	-3.9536959533	-3.2317481037
H	-4.3856584316	4.0926606569	-0.4114516298
O	3.2060311806	-2.0859871801	0.1993383058

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C	-2.0990050188	1.6424894195	-0.3261524087
C	-3.3427551988	1.0246954932	-0.2806878011
C	-4.4139346044	1.9580096595	-0.4603515614
C	-3.9536597752	3.2414454666	-0.6347562793
S	-2.2168535126	3.3568712196	-0.5867086805
C	-0.9346356399	0.7943634453	-0.155809803
C	-1.1736717251	-0.5630442154	0.0378238734
C	0.0240582733	-1.3046261597	0.1937253779
C	1.1761943699	-0.5038275455	0.1177621024
S	0.7414632725	1.1961803763	-0.1518964218
Si	-3.0513525563	-0.8231613787	0.006101497
C	0.0023391799	-2.7954490968	0.415489771
H	0.4686132655	-3.0796370809	1.3654066633
H	-1.0287537326	-3.1555824601	0.4353754611
H	0.5256816958	-3.3398009372	-0.3784950705
C	-5.87417824	1.5890238705	-0.4600502601

H	-6.1673813018	1.1287527112	0.490584574
H	-6.5085013408	2.4655560166	-0.6152569874
H	-6.1017105542	0.8674768259	-1.2532207019
C	-3.7611383518	-1.4649087487	1.6447284159
H	-4.8575838955	-1.4726708446	1.556876884
C	-3.6461131999	-1.9226620459	-1.4214881138
H	-4.7460702689	-1.9180903505	-1.4145202426
H	-3.3603421503	-2.9598925286	-1.1919305909
H	-3.4724560606	-2.5213663024	1.7485275414
C	2.5669098844	-0.8749311411	0.2248647203
C	3.7320410667	-0.1219843366	0.1612106748
C	4.9320467774	-0.8745947536	0.3153120043
C	4.7494463536	-2.2064560151	0.4995101956
H	5.4817435773	-2.9887804321	0.640229441
C	4.1236687307	1.2945027566	-0.0267266639
C	6.099455834	0.0377134682	0.2297095554
O	7.2886186372	-0.2013643649	0.3097233073
O	3.4551059521	2.2986317717	-0.1967991064
N	5.5333623343	1.3066323939	0.0261048267
C	6.3133598866	2.5216017031	-0.117621005
H	6.0636308064	3.233635571	0.6736235579
H	7.3651407621	2.2427092228	-0.0485805334
H	6.114000492	2.9919954411	-1.0841229923
C	-3.3453477417	-0.6872993005	2.9070690107
H	-3.6395483926	0.3643170792	2.80225078
C	-3.1326861299	-1.5412012047	-2.8221768527
H	-2.035761244	-1.5497945546	-2.8237540369
C	-3.9533742218	-1.2605709354	4.1916281708
H	-3.6474891095	-2.3020312637	4.3440616842
H	-3.6400614922	-0.6892799924	5.0718504392
H	-5.0486475694	-1.241292446	4.1543801485
C	-3.6508680932	-2.4713579448	-3.9243227109
H	-4.7457412865	-2.455964329	-3.9733403577
H	-3.2693944188	-2.1771920729	-4.9078256972
H	-3.343970522	-3.5081023425	-3.7442859503
H	-4.5399857491	4.1372624916	-0.7905678031
S	3.0514626062	-2.57457981	0.4872406193
H	-2.251586958	-0.6852193378	2.9907467369
H	-3.4242941722	-0.5084544007	-3.0498720489

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C	-2.0672086068	1.5529890258	-0.2959084443
C	-3.2870786544	0.8898303365	-0.2442635312
C	-4.3927561141	1.7844412717	-0.4116873692

C	-3.9810830003	3.0846079161	-0.5832953744
S	-2.2492213264	3.2630636555	-0.5473266065
C	-0.8721477378	0.7465225642	-0.1379186325
C	-1.0590753768	-0.6208303116	0.0513326156
C	0.1664690755	-1.3217057229	0.1952579009
C	1.2733420178	-0.4702029288	0.1125805337
S	0.7929241715	1.2087716389	-0.1450138933
Si	-2.9264751354	-0.9480799773	0.0318304361
C	0.2410204326	-2.8122588476	0.4114554266
H	0.7431433937	-3.059189212	1.3516641394
H	-0.7630877182	-3.2420282877	0.4372550042
H	0.8049967124	-3.3079104417	-0.3843735869
C	-5.8384129969	1.3620872215	-0.402532833
H	-6.1070833775	0.8865671215	0.5478289566
H	-6.5057346471	2.2153879825	-0.5484482149
H	-6.045101143	0.6365467054	-1.1977445151
C	-3.5978856763	-1.6223858062	1.67316275
H	-4.6932762997	-1.6805155165	1.5914708118
C	-3.4887377688	-2.0621772461	-1.3971926675
H	-4.5877126882	-2.1053851903	-1.3792988225
H	-3.1553367351	-3.0870916327	-1.1770275101
H	-3.2595909014	-2.664316013	1.7732478983
C	2.6682196436	-0.7844135855	0.2071522969
C	3.8369974108	-0.0592088701	0.1447962788
C	4.9206620584	-0.9693056461	0.3137211997
C	4.3874276861	-2.203533679	0.4715893503
H	4.7823566048	-3.1943278365	0.6275914319
C	4.3809237184	1.2934538159	-0.0296778057
C	6.1927611327	-0.2111623384	0.2503367653
O	7.3468084782	-0.5797731159	0.3442179092
O	3.8260809122	2.3638683939	-0.2027551542
N	5.7874464426	1.1205605571	0.0451025707
C	6.7298083691	2.216925592	-0.0785427069
H	6.1520663262	3.1293490821	-0.2282616747
H	7.336422787	2.3044667265	0.826966859
H	7.3968555601	2.054631539	-0.9296219111
C	-3.211003628	-0.8280059471	2.9342611683
H	-3.5553430593	0.2086856512	2.8334585451
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H	-1.9102474318	-1.6099483342	-2.8122063464
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H	-3.4264137825	-2.4573390537	4.3703036277
H	-3.4917943733	-0.8471114713	5.100782734
H	-4.8779974078	-1.4647281845	4.1910895949
C	-3.4935322613	-2.5957346491	-3.9032289088
H	-4.5884319559	-2.6291663145	-3.9413743422

H	-3.1355960598	-2.2787883418	-4.8885017854
H	-3.1386458995	-3.6186894379	-3.7329194242
H	-4.6006058199	3.9592448813	-0.7305892294
H	-2.1180410994	-0.7745352179	3.0109322847
H	-3.3458286855	-0.6298701521	-3.0186217768
O	3.0186819957	-2.1084247756	0.4093038212

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C	-2.2393283667	-1.441872408	-0.1671365376
C	-3.3910725439	-0.7416355719	0.168122301
C	-4.5580133261	-1.5722079783	0.1250930788
C	-4.2541377407	-2.8636261866	-0.2385079018
S	-2.5578933522	-3.10874181	-0.5392223757
C	-0.9871237032	-0.7090336529	-0.1376608392
C	-1.0505947481	0.6336524551	0.2230593285
C	0.2318942202	1.2482272546	0.2538383409
C	1.2613617682	0.358730997	-0.079401979
S	0.6225547358	-1.2545131395	-0.4209006465
Si	-2.8675430226	1.0261067697	0.5944854139
C	-3.6288755271	2.3372642956	-0.5320208726
H	-4.7111512311	2.4025124677	-0.3758195864
C	-3.1745713297	1.4660632724	2.4059543887
H	-4.2478614762	1.5103258475	2.6212705463
H	-2.7481037896	2.4439574273	2.6549358338
H	-3.2074880798	3.3272873844	-0.3276166388
C	2.689759901	0.5738893044	-0.188232408
C	3.7579071906	-0.2953982663	-0.0488345222
C	5.0347176516	0.2960327653	-0.2709467591
C	4.999219097	1.6142643342	-0.5963352609
H	5.8158372934	2.2961117544	-0.7904078613
C	3.9805858947	-1.7122852694	0.3342880627
C	6.0892479311	-0.721943066	-0.0341018618
O	7.2992411748	-0.6366914839	-0.1104379811
O	3.1927920858	-2.5976353766	0.6090717889
N	5.3845523233	-1.8813879637	0.322225911
C	6.0376247633	-3.1380566925	0.6386601151
H	5.2576366521	-3.8625948117	0.8731999587
H	6.6272353482	-3.4872905098	-0.2133339964
H	6.7042276677	-3.0165967096	1.4967433144
H	-4.9362769292	-3.6968853612	-0.3444301893
H	-3.4534862518	2.1053729861	-1.5867358643
H	-2.7273424552	0.7222016537	3.0716450086
C	0.404917402	2.7006427181	0.6354990159
H	-0.2979050172	2.924899216	1.4480725623

H	1.4045882728	2.8756211203	1.0461713462
C	-5.9662322401	-1.1023882398	0.404208615
H	-6.5772097684	-1.9522371058	0.7318463529
H	-5.9558031724	-0.393263627	1.2424843795
C	-6.6462613628	-0.4390614314	-0.8099985013
H	-6.0272028758	0.3957738201	-1.1604770504
H	-6.6751851144	-1.1609228104	-1.6353843996
C	-8.0608970234	0.0572765218	-0.4996304977
H	-8.708256515	-0.7649779956	-0.1743651135
H	-8.0532999536	0.8061157414	0.3007650399
H	-8.5234952174	0.5160482962	-1.3791915068
C	0.1489420477	3.6908395873	-0.5201996597
H	0.8373160945	3.4763325445	-1.3459530341
H	-0.8585651094	3.5231918514	-0.9182671163
C	0.3033243667	5.1503620972	-0.0847725177
H	-0.3929406219	5.4004163731	0.7240145897
H	1.3170544808	5.3503976538	0.2798203172
H	0.1077612877	5.835118655	-0.9159125976
S	3.3508888438	2.160973634	-0.6508882714

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C	2.1245525263	-1.4617490075	-0.2951940311
C	3.3127598573	-0.7417201529	-0.334217709
C	4.4571630269	-1.5974183503	-0.437982362
C	4.1018951639	-2.9260811763	-0.4723709571
S	2.3828608581	-3.1779569085	-0.3792228659
C	0.8925444758	-0.7005742987	-0.2149781377
C	1.0107220834	0.6861377145	-0.1913328155
C	-0.2484971121	1.3407287836	-0.1254385757
C	-1.3120051061	0.4313436609	-0.0947019438
S	-0.7469189881	-1.2422801534	-0.1588072698
Si	2.8577142934	1.0949414383	-0.2816637078
C	3.4982089012	2.0042363809	1.2446238413
H	4.5874959274	2.1137262637	1.2099832577
C	3.344213842	2.0237534371	-1.852644234
H	4.4334969758	2.0976467328	-1.9427070218
H	2.943579341	3.0432308384	-1.8482941876
H	3.0670438171	3.0091549233	1.3093569253
C	-2.7262124722	0.6654012583	-0.0278621674
C	-3.844530066	-0.1381454999	-0.055073326
C	-4.9879620297	0.7057090416	0.0567947756
C	-4.5398388816	1.9792991276	0.1481547255
H	-5.0007773411	2.9488169531	0.2453828523
C	-4.2981734128	-1.5313527331	-0.1587568168

C	-6.2072267546	-0.1363559282	0.0246373707
O	-7.3836798112	0.1608586577	0.0889499164
O	-3.6740970238	-2.571714707	-0.2653096142
N	-5.7136945218	-1.447340175	-0.1050272834
C	-6.5802546882	-2.6090875569	-0.1746957608
H	-5.9422012544	-3.4865336365	-0.2828255957
H	-7.1803458214	-2.695344687	0.7353367382
H	-7.2557988792	-2.5313474787	-1.0308481519
H	4.7586642346	-3.7824030224	-0.5511475953
H	3.2409376898	1.4669658468	2.1622508902
H	2.9653727649	1.5150680504	-2.7438388405
C	-0.3767861032	2.8458040506	-0.0683745406
H	0.5076459981	3.2843654981	-0.5464572288
H	-1.2428960308	3.1771060562	-0.6473537991
C	5.8914538367	-1.1250972308	-0.4710539045
H	6.5149701301	-1.8852608631	-0.9571113214
H	5.9654354546	-0.2249565361	-1.0956476273
C	6.4731955286	-0.820834472	0.9238159155
H	5.8428697097	-0.0760466742	1.424906047
H	6.4134801688	-1.7286760588	1.5365727976
C	7.9199711902	-0.3232411163	0.8670136945
H	8.5768286069	-1.0642278718	0.397522736
H	8.0005883091	0.6026080083	0.2858505636
H	8.3106893571	-0.1211709887	1.8693074566
C	-0.4931103488	3.3991221022	1.3672416167
H	-1.3760453091	2.9616088238	1.8454449119
H	0.3732995163	3.0662540003	1.9521102284
C	-0.5879594268	4.9266963449	1.3996230857
H	0.2938325954	5.391675522	0.9436501684
H	-1.4676865429	5.2803862971	0.8503746472
H	-0.665246854	5.2979714	2.4264412773
O	-3.166871305	1.9715973504	0.1007770072

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C	-3.087635532	-1.0537230901	0.0024387342
C	-4.2327501019	-0.2684704575	0.0939456015
C	-5.4135658054	-1.0643773565	0.0646195874
C	-5.1592649445	-2.407948886	-0.0457662127
S	-3.45346627	-2.7490657529	-0.1182474014
C	-1.8131241441	-0.3608898872	0.0212913686
C	-1.8630719514	1.029909186	0.1297795729
C	-0.5672468384	1.5846441329	0.1374041849
C	0.4593566744	0.6516422439	0.0377093397
S	-0.2012079936	-0.985096906	-0.0704848335

Si	-3.6839614015	1.5364684574	0.2181077901
C	-4.2373737569	2.5911639002	-1.2448613744
H	-5.3233711062	2.7343040813	-1.2364241898
C	-4.1535814035	2.352586075	1.8528412847
H	-5.2378691951	2.4907935759	1.9247389022
H	-3.6861960665	3.3387089715	1.9481599935
H	-3.7716614311	3.582168343	-1.2131622019
C	1.8738083387	0.9213004371	0.0202184942
C	2.9837949231	0.1049049139	-0.0726964865
C	4.2298357497	0.7967254117	-0.0531133508
C	4.1231395379	2.1460507597	0.0537111795
H	4.8990157119	2.8975885153	0.0906053917
C	3.2677219302	-1.3404831887	-0.1917448178
C	5.3295244786	-0.1962851729	-0.1593791642
O	6.5345176123	-0.0419347602	-0.1801055036
O	2.5117540932	-2.2945876127	-0.2448111639
N	4.6762389815	-1.4379212971	-0.2373720443
C	5.3861211805	-2.6983443083	-0.3536770792
H	4.6401098289	-3.4921279879	-0.395796233
H	5.9956696261	-2.7108523229	-1.2612222651
H	6.0418433808	-2.8482658309	0.5082533086
H	-5.8675801556	-3.2237545289	-0.0894252885
H	-3.9658465056	2.1199736333	-2.1939309234
H	-3.833406145	1.7428592735	2.7026651147
S	2.4430928669	2.6032290963	0.134374623
H	-0.3662169161	2.6485553689	0.2139336515
H	-6.4217055803	-0.6683727095	0.1224299483

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C	-2.7667132726	-1.196958616	-0.0172556143
C	-3.9338626246	-0.4502889617	0.077879693
C	-5.0916516776	-1.2736032788	0.0443382117
C	-4.8009934801	-2.6092061125	-0.073380621
S	-3.0872968212	-2.9028770197	-0.1474195373
C	-1.5030453354	-0.4866615468	0.0039628475
C	-1.5471244194	0.9010518405	0.1187534117
C	-0.2558139281	1.4579000177	0.1266291504
C	0.7712257209	0.5264521393	0.020478714
S	0.1116060277	-1.1091159493	-0.0940663733
C	-4.0107321269	2.5160216715	-1.2809649234
H	-5.0970978849	2.6347132618	-1.2479659422
C	-3.9178337829	2.255666318	1.902429371
H	-5.0037112603	2.3730044312	1.9521170256
H	-3.4580017207	3.2448408826	1.9765318728

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