

**Aggregation induced emission in BF₂-hydrazone (BODIHY)
complexes**

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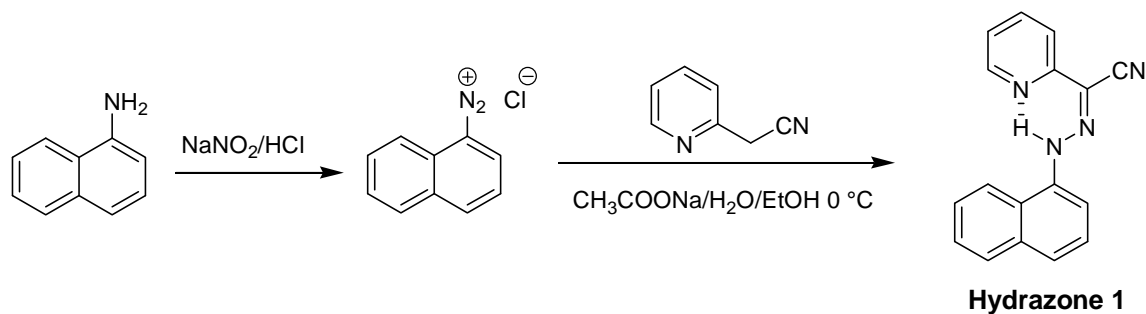
General Information

All reagents and starting materials were purchased from commercial vendors and used without further purification. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (Silicycle, 230-400 mesh). The melting points were measured on an Electrothermal 9100 instrument in open capillary tubes without thermometer correction. Deuterated solvents were purchased from Cambridge Isotope Laboratories and used as received. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a 500 MHz spectrometer, with working frequencies of 499.87 MHz for ^1H nuclei and 125.7 MHz for ^{13}C nuclei, respectively. ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded on a 300 MHz spectrometer, with working frequency of 282.2 MHz for ^{19}F nuclei. Chemical shifts are expressed in ppm relative to tetramethylsilane, using the residual solvent peak as a reference standard. Hi-Res mass spectra were measured on a Micromass Q-ToF Ultima. GC-MS spectra were measured on a Shimadzu Gas Chromatograph/Mass Spectrometer (GCMS-QP2010Plus). UV-Vis spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV-Vis spectrophotometer (UV-1800). Solid state fluorescence excitation and emission data were acquired with a Horiba Jobin-Yvon FluoroMax-4 fluorescence spectrophotometer equipped with an integrating sphere for PLQYs and a Hamamatsu R2658P photomultiplier tube. Spectra were corrected for integrating sphere scatter and background fluorescence by subtraction within the HJY operating system. All slit widths were held constant at 3.5/3.5 nm. Films were spin-coated or drop-casted from solvents to yield a maximum absorbance of 0.1 au. The poly(methylmethacrylate) (PMMA) film was spin-coated from 0.1 wt% PMMA/methylene chloride solution containing 10 wt% of the BF₂-complex relative to PMMA. Fluorescence excitation and emission data in solution were recorded on a Shimadzu spectrofluorophotometer (RF-1501) using anthracene in EtOH as a standard. The quantum yields in solution were calculated using the following

equation: $\Phi = \Phi_{st} \frac{I}{I_{st}} \frac{A_{st}}{A} \frac{\eta^2}{\eta_{st}^2}$, $\Phi_{st} = 0.27, \eta_{st} = 1.36, \eta = 1.424$, where A is the absorbance

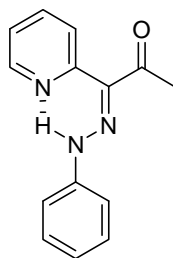
at the excitation wavelength and I is the integrated emission.^{S1} For the solid-state sensing experiment a sheet of TLC plate (TLC Silica gel 60, 5748/7, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany) was cut into a "D" shape, and the extra silica gel was scratched off from the plate. The plate was then soaked in a DCM solution of **2**, and dried in air. The bare plastic substrate of the plate was masked with two small pieces of TLC.

Synthesis



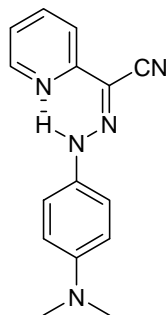
Scheme S1. Synthesis of **Hydrazone 1**.

Hydrazone 1: 1-Naphthylamine (1.0 g, 7.0 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of 10 mL water and 4 mL conc. HCl, and was let to stir in an ice-bath for 30 min. A precooled solution of NaNO₂ (1 equiv, 0.483 g, 7.0 mmol) was then added dropwise over a period of 30 min to the naphthylamine solution. The diazonium salt solution was then added dropwise to a suspension of 2-pyridylacetonitrile (1 equiv, 0.78 mL, 7.0 mmol) and sodium acetate (6.4 equiv, 3.7 g, 44.8 mmol) in a cooled and well stirred 40 mL ethanol/water (4:1) mixture. The resulting reaction mixture was left to stir overnight at room temperature. The precipitated compound was then collected by filtration, dissolved in methylene chloride, washed with saturated potassium bicarbonate solution and dried over magnesium sulfate. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate 7:1) to give **Hydrazone 1** as a dark orange powder (1.42 g, 75%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.88 (s, 1H), 8.82 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (m, 3H), 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.45, 149.79, 147.54, 138.11, 136.88, 134.38, 129.09, 126.71, 126.46, 126.32, 124.14, 123.23, 122.59, 120.04, 119.10, 111.49, 110.69 ppm; mp 216.2-217.1 °C; GC-MS: calcd for C₁₇H₁₂N₄, 272.1; *m/z* (rel. inten.) 272 (62%, M⁺), 141 (25%), 127 (100%), 115 (62%), 77 (22%).



Hydrazone 2

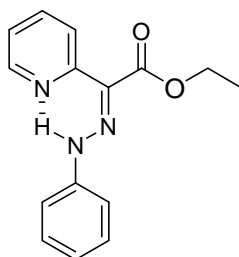
Hydrazone 2: The compound was synthesized in a similar manner as described above for **Hydrazone 1** using the corresponding aniline and 2-pyridylacetone^{S2} to afford **Hydrazone 2** as a yellow powder with a yield of 54%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.86 (s, 1H), 8.630 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.48, 152.44, 146.50, 143.29, 137.04, 132.99, 129.64, 125.52, 123.45, 122.73, 115.18, 27.07 ppm; mp 110.1-111.0 °C; GC-MS: calcd for C₁₄H₁₃N₃O, 239.1; *m/z* (rel. inten.) 239 (43%, M⁺), 106 (100%), 92 (55%), 78 (62%), 65 (43%).



Hydrazone 3

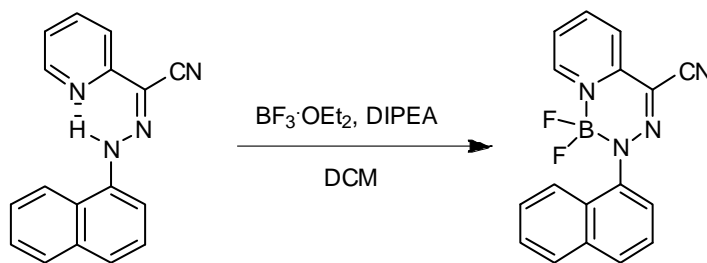
Hydrazone 3: The compound was synthesized in a similar manner as described above for **Hydrazone 1** using *N,N*-dimethyl-1,4-phenylenediamine and 2-pyridylacetonitrile, to afford **Hydrazone 3** as a dark red powder with a yield of 70%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.04 (s, 1H), 8.58 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (m, 3H), 6.75 (m, 2H), 2.96 (s, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.10, 148.21, 147.12, 137.51,

133.29, 122.12, 121.60, 118.60, 116.51, 113.63, 109.05, 41.14 ppm; mp 109.5-111.0 °C; GC-MS: calcd for C₁₅H₁₅N₅, 265.1; *m/z* (rel. inten.) 265 (29%, M⁺), 135 (100%), 78 (46%).



Hydrazone 4

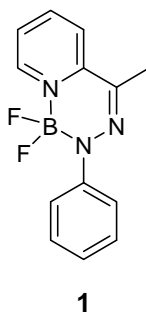
Hydrazone 4: The compound was synthesized in a similar manner as described above for **Hydrazone 1** using the corresponding aniline and ethyl-2-pyridylacetate, to afford **Hydrazone 4** as a yellow powder with a yield of 72%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.80 (s, 1H), 8.63 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (q, 2H), 1.45 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.96, 153.01, 146.58, 143.53, 136.98, 129.54, 124.50, 123.04, 122.42, 115.09, 114.69, 61.21, 14.60 ppm; mp 78.2-79.0 °C; GC-MS: calcd for C₁₅H₁₅N₃O₂, 269.1; *m/z* (rel. inten.) 269 (36%, M⁺), 195 (32%), 105 (62%), 91 (100%).



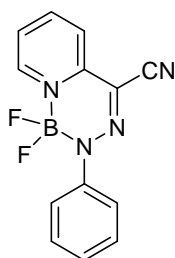
Scheme S2. Synthesis of BODIHY complex **5**.

5: *N,N*-Diisopropylethylamine (DIPEA, 7 equiv, 0.33 mL, 2.0 mmol) was added to a solution of **Hydrazone 1** (80 mg, 0.29 mmol) in dry methylene chloride at room temperature. After 2 hours,

boron trifluoride diethyl ether complex (10 equiv, 0.36 mL, 2.9 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was quenched with water and extracted by methylene chloride. The organic layer was washed three times with 10 mL water and dried over magnesium sulfate. After solvent concentration, the crude product was subjected to silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate 8:1) to give **5** as a bright orange powder (22 mg, 30%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.72 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.34 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.29, 141.67, 140.38, 140.07, 134.85, 130.22, 129.34, 128.44, 127.07, 126.55, 125.33, 124.23, 123.98, 123.38, 121.01, 115.27, 109.05 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -136.43 (q, *J* = 28.3 Hz, 2F) ppm; mp 167.6-168.0 °C; Hi-Res MS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₁BF₂N₄, 320.1123; found [M-H⁺]: C₁₇H₁₂BF₂N₄⁺, 321.1125.

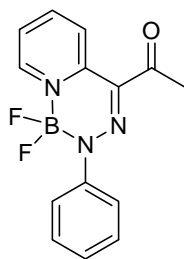


1: The compound was synthesized in a similar way as described for **5** using the appropriate hydrazone^{S3} to afford **1** as a bright yellow powder with a yield of 38%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.74 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (m, 3H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.74, 141.71, 140.31, 140.26, 128.90, 123.47, 122.76, 121.04, 119.42, 119.37, 19.31 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -136.95 (q, *J* = 33.3 Hz, 2F) ppm; mp 120.2-120.8 °C; Hi-Res MS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₂BF₂N₃, 259.1171; found [M-H⁺]: C₁₃H₁₃BF₂N₃⁺, 260.1172.



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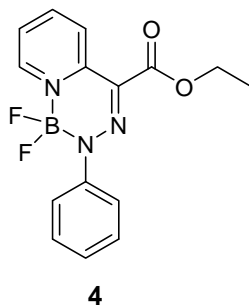
2: The compound was synthesized in a similar way as described for **5** using the appropriate hydrazone^{S4} to afford **2** as a greenish yellow powder with a yield of 41%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.69 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.67 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.84, 143.21, 141.58, 140.44, 129.25, 126.87, 123.84, 120.86, 120.78, 115.50, 108.69 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -134.10 (q, *J* = 50.0 Hz, 2F) ppm; mp 201.3-201.7 °C; Hi-Res MS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₉BF₂N₄, 270.0967; found [M-H⁺]: C₁₃H₁₀BF₂N₄⁺, 271.0969.



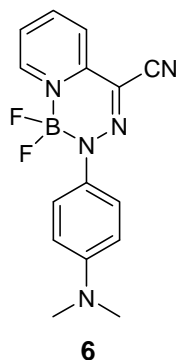
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3: The compound was synthesized in a similar way as described for **5** using **Hydrazone 2** to afford **3** as a bright yellow powder with a yield of 35%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.26 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.71 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.25, 145.52, 142.49, 141.21, 139.75, 129.20, 126.09, 123.89, 123.55, 120.61, 120.57, 27.45 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -137.29 (q, *J* = 32.1 Hz, 2F) ppm; mp

121.7-122.1 °C; Hi-Res MS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{14}H_{12}BF_2N_3O$, 287.1120; found $[M-H]^+$: $C_{14}H_{13}BF_2N_3O^+$, 288.1122.



4: The compound was synthesized in a similar way as described for **5** using **Hydrazone 4** to afford **4** as a light brown solid with a yield of 23%. 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 9.03 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.70 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.17 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.43 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.45 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 164.64, 145.61, 142.08, 141.74, 139.84, 129.12, 125.90, 123.20, 123.03, 120.72, 120.68, 61.51, 14.62 ppm; ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -136.84 (q, $J = 33.3$ Hz, 2F) ppm; mp 103.3-103.9 °C; Hi-Res MS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{15}H_{14}BF_2N_3O_2$, 317.1225; found $[M-H]^+$: $C_{15}H_{15}BF_2N_3O_2^+$, 318.1224.



6: The compound was synthesized in a similar way as described for **5** using **Hydrazone 3** to afford **6** as a dark purple powder with a yield of 52%. 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.58 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.16 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J

= 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (m, 2H), 3.00 (s, 6H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.70, 142.28, 141.90, 139.79, 135.15, 122.57, 122.01, 121.97, 120.40, 116.23, 112.53, 40.77 ppm; ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -134.78 (q, $J = 31.0$ Hz, 2F) ppm; mp 215.3-215.8 °C; Hi-Res MS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{BF}_2\text{N}_5$, 313.1389; found $[\text{M}-\text{H}^+]$: $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{BF}_2\text{N}_5^+$, 314.1389.

UV/Vis and Fluorescence Spectra

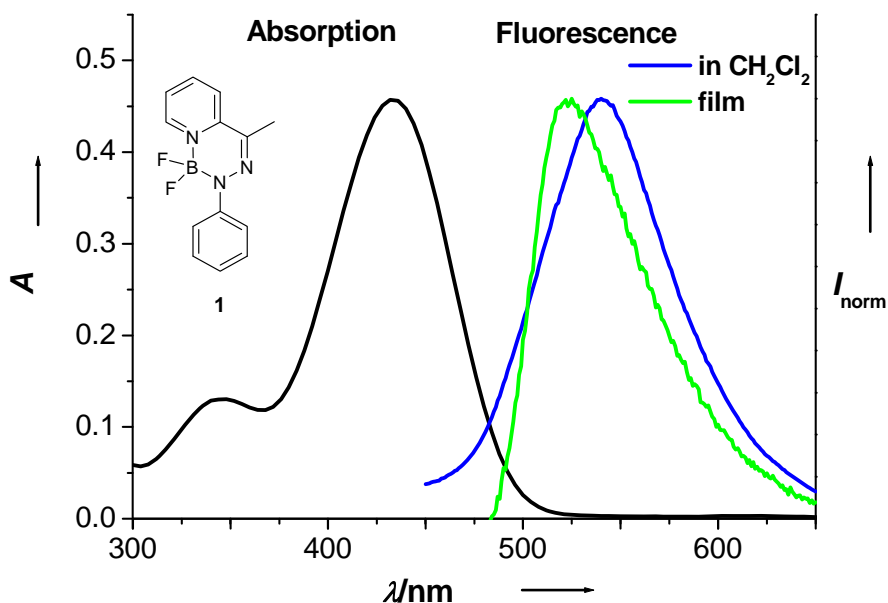


Figure S1. Absorption (left, 5.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2) and normalized fluorescence (right) spectra of **1** in solution (1.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2 , excited at 432 nm) and the solid state (excited at 363 nm).

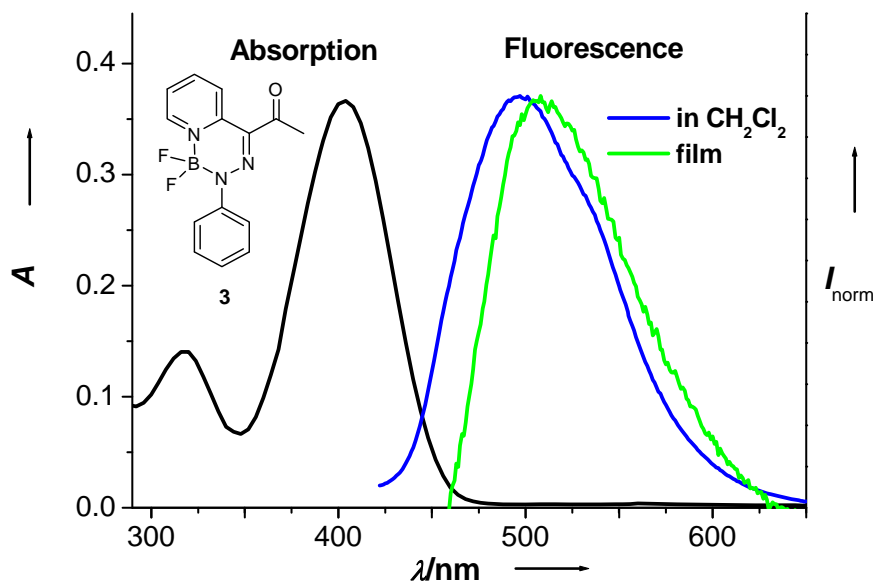


Figure S2. Absorption (left, 5.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2) and normalized fluorescence (right) spectra of **3** in solution (1.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2 , excited at 404 nm) and the solid state (excited at 363 nm).

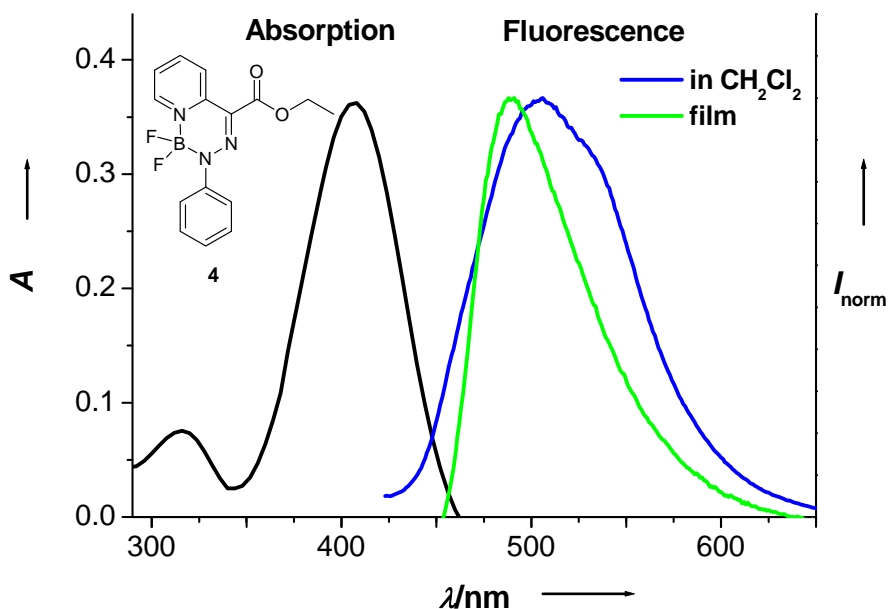


Figure S3. Absorption (left, 5.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2) and normalized fluorescence (right) spectra of **4** in solution (1.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2 , excited at 408 nm) and the solid state (excited at 363 nm).

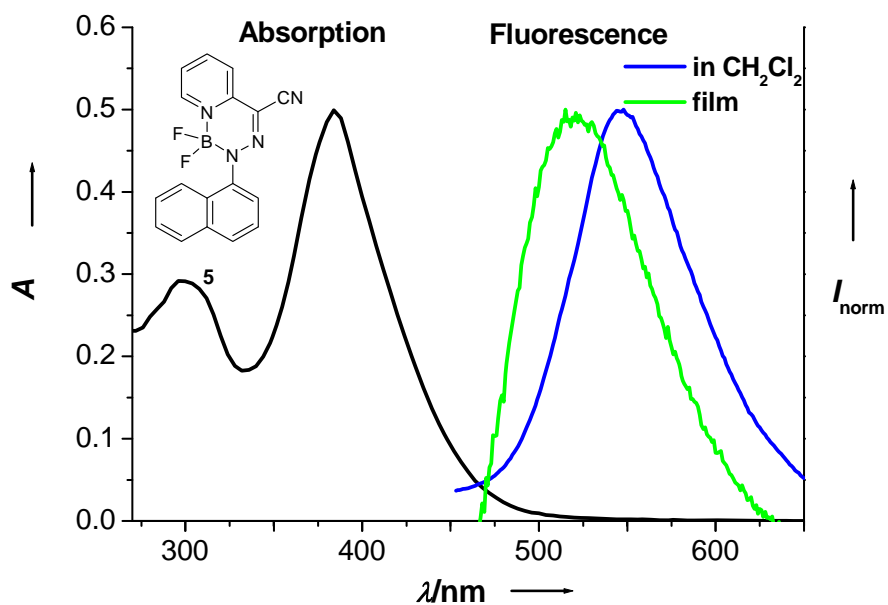


Figure S4. Absorption (left, 5.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2) and normalized fluorescence (right) spectra of **5** in solution (1.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2 , excited at 384 nm) and the solid state (excited at 363 nm).

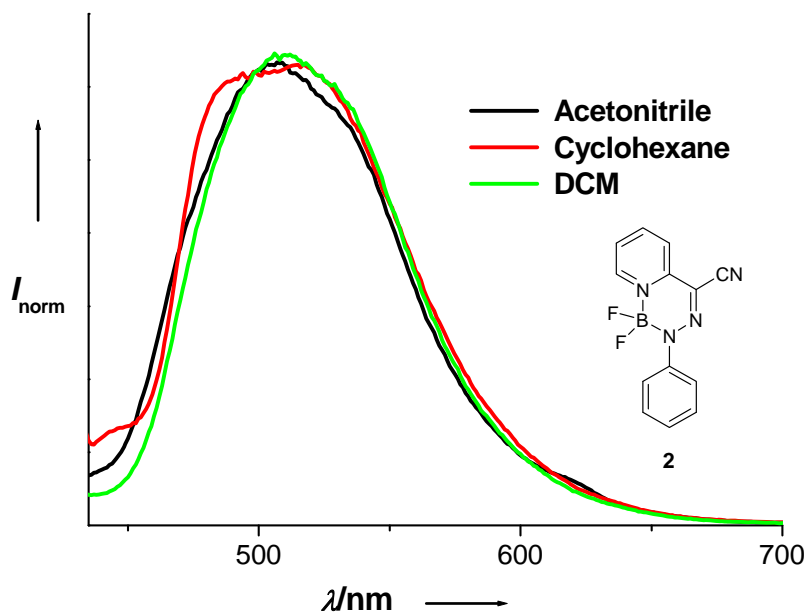


Figure S5. Normalized fluorescence spectra of **2** in various solvents (1.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2 , excited at 413 nm).

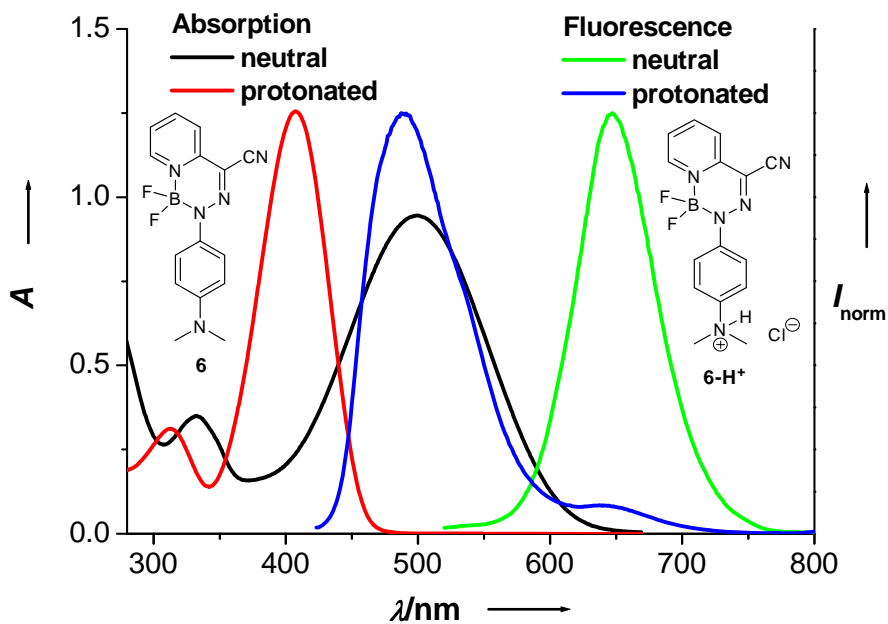
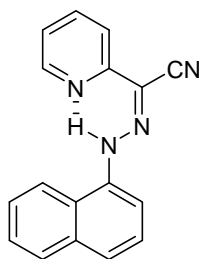


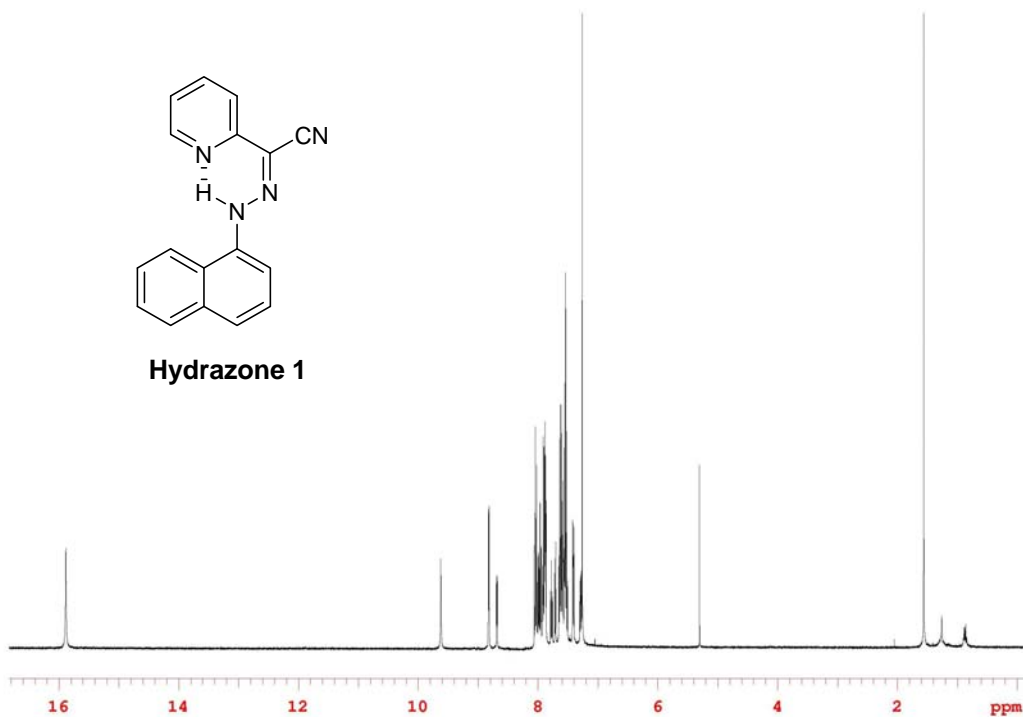
Figure S6. Absorption (5.0×10^{-5} M in CH_2Cl_2) and normalized fluorescence spectra of the switching between **6** and its protonated form **6-H⁺** in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0×10^{-5} M, excited at each λ_{abs}).

NMR Spectra

a)



Hydrazone 1



b)

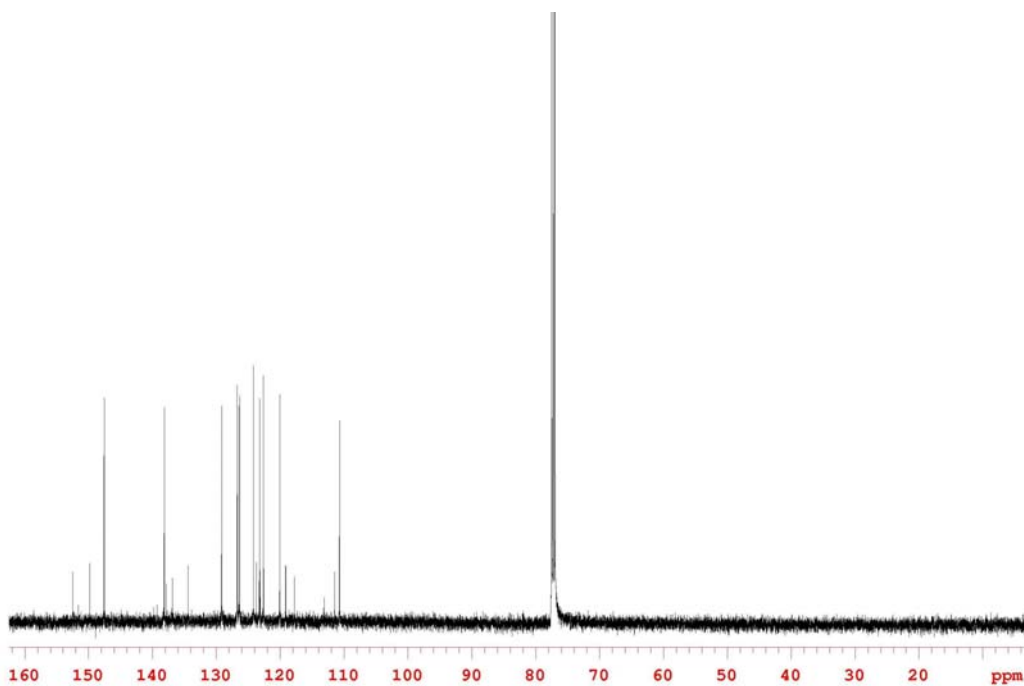
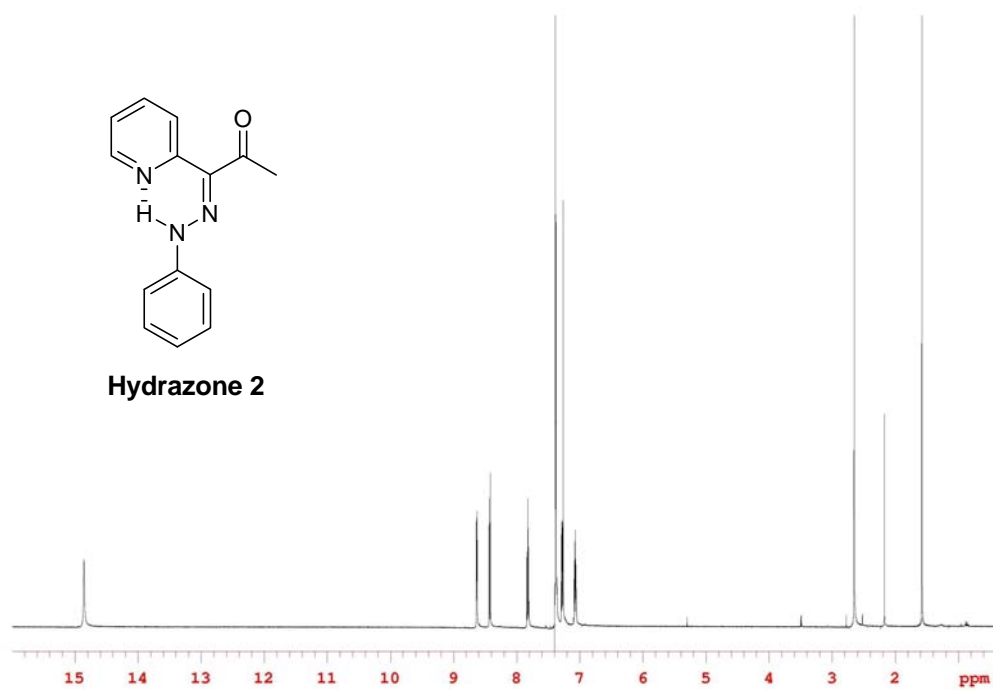


Figure S7. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR spectra of **Hydrazone 1** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

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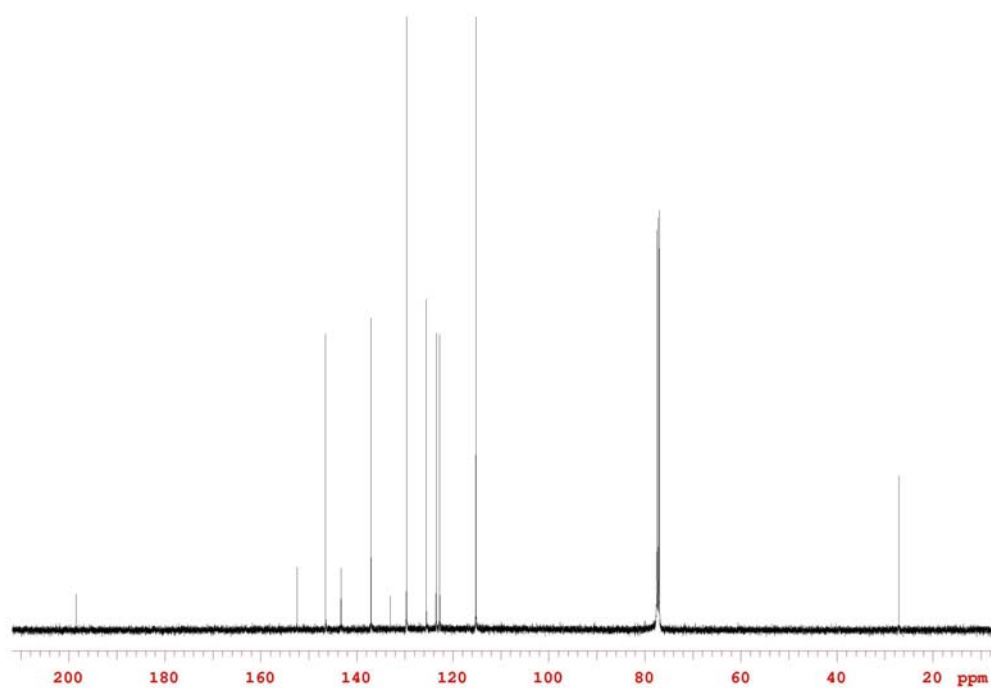
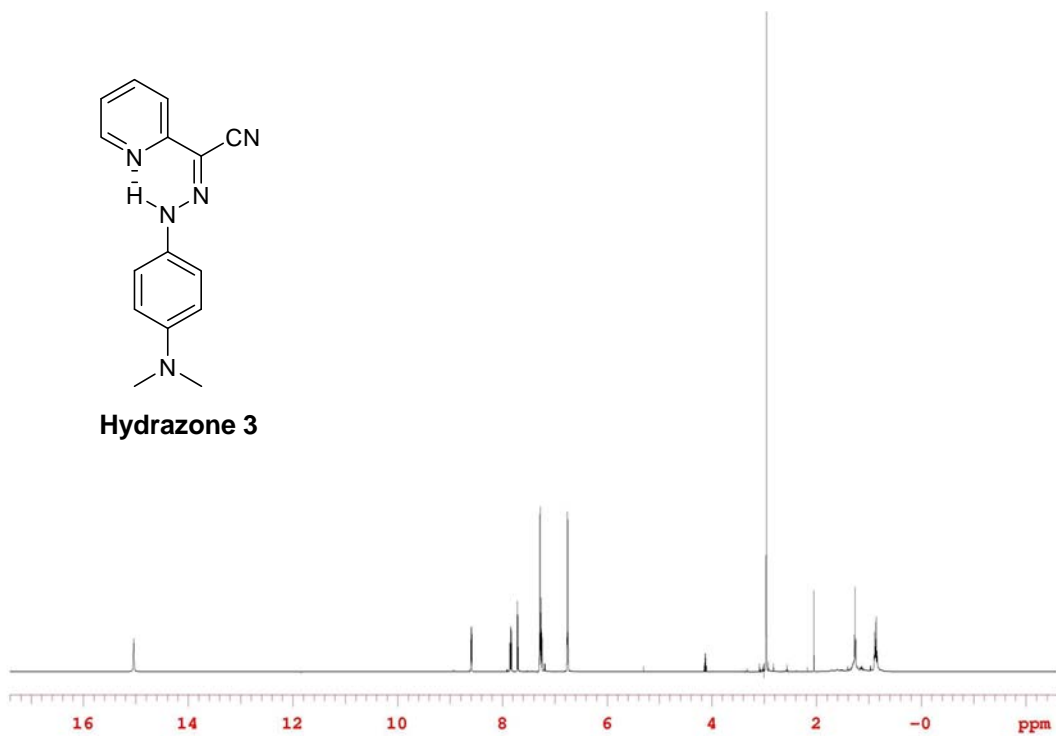


Figure S8. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR spectra of **Hydrazone 2** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

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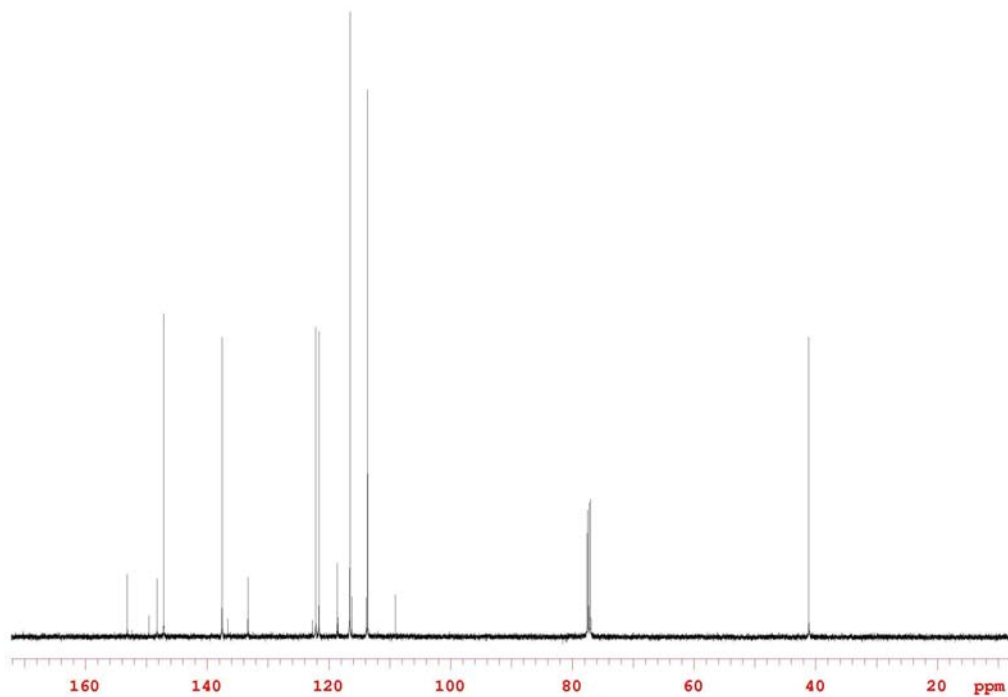
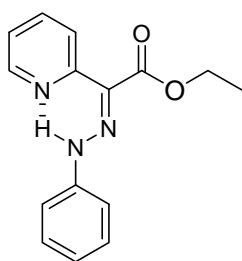
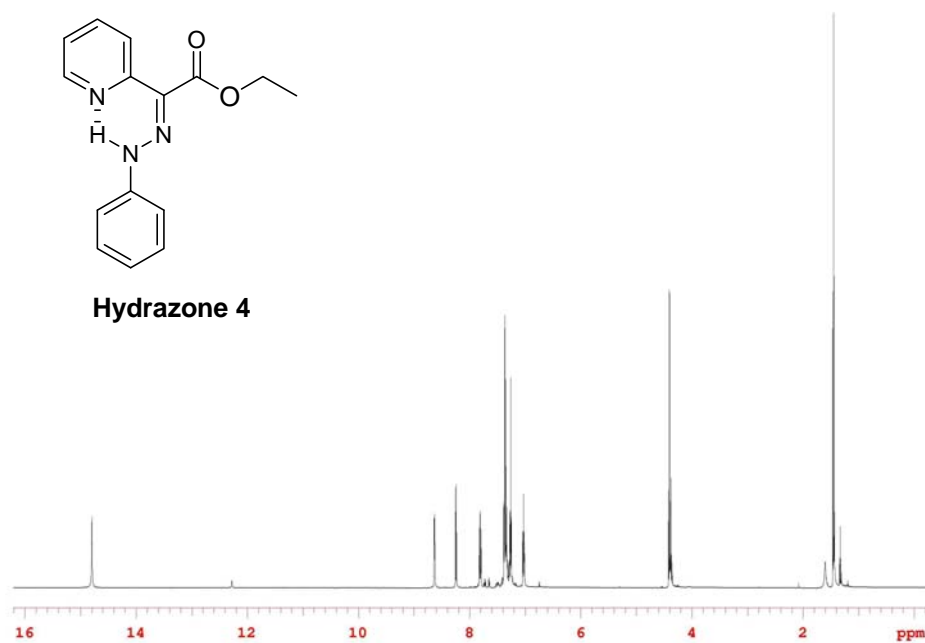


Figure S9. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR spectra of **Hydrazone 3** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

a)



Hydrazone 4



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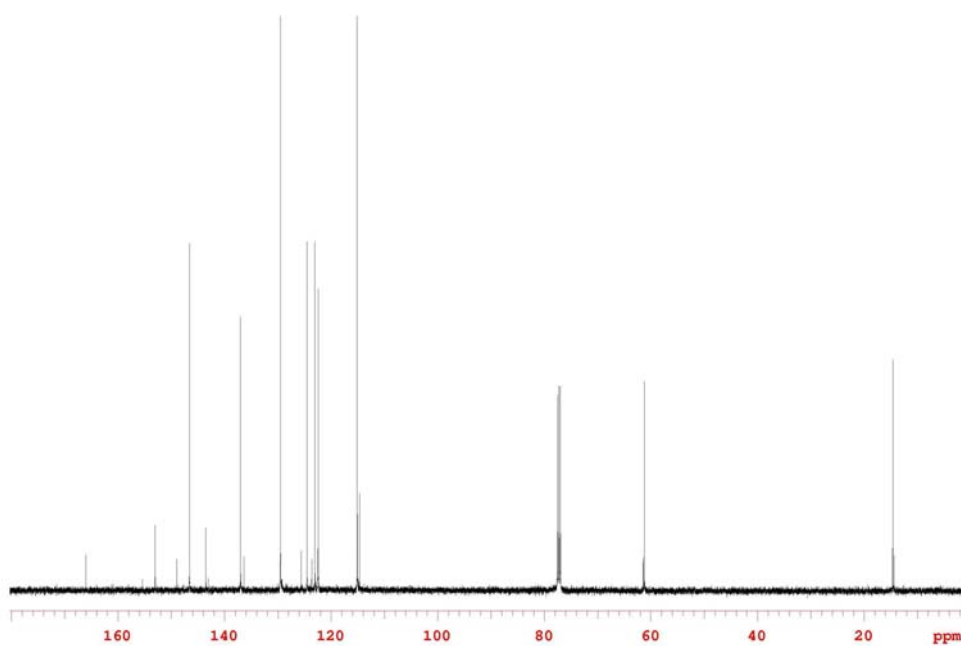
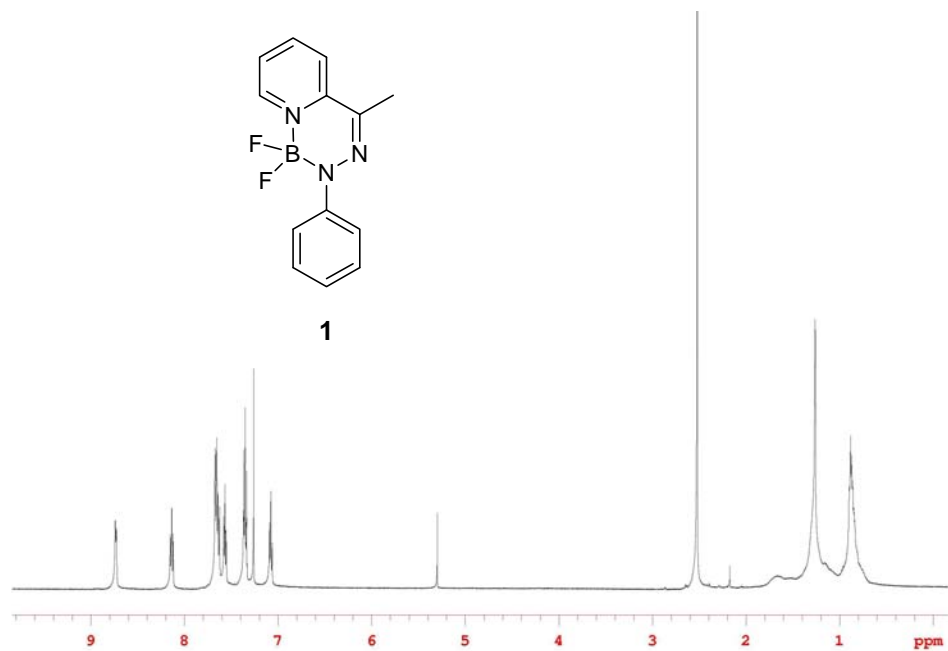
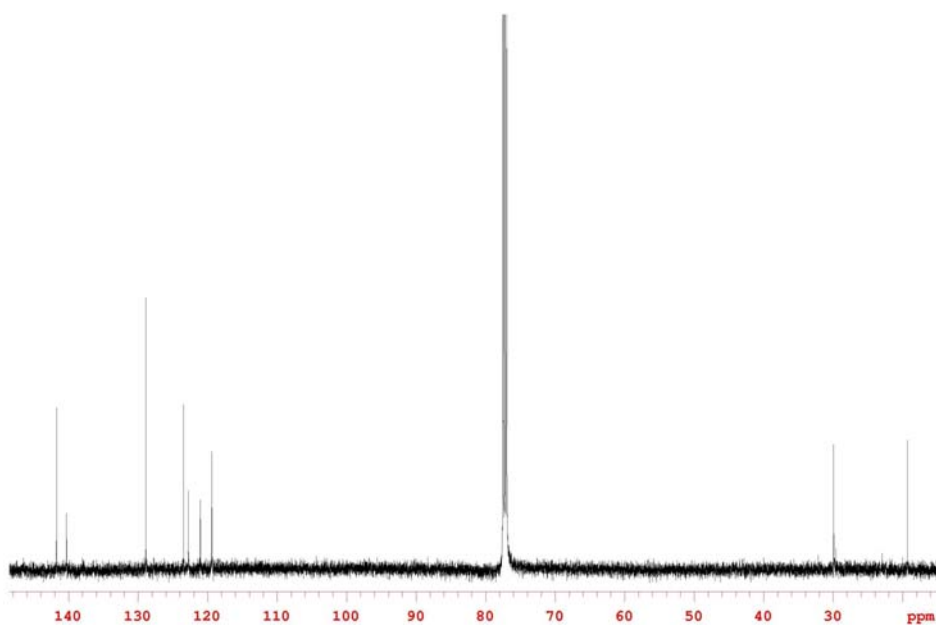


Figure S10. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR spectra of **Hydrazone 4** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

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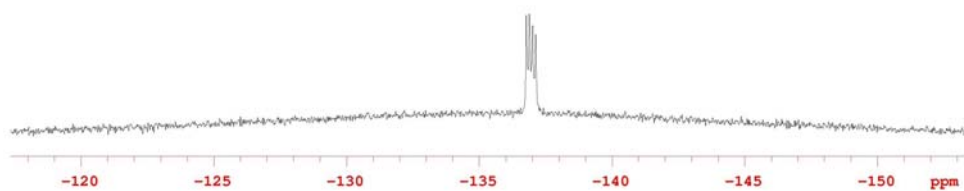
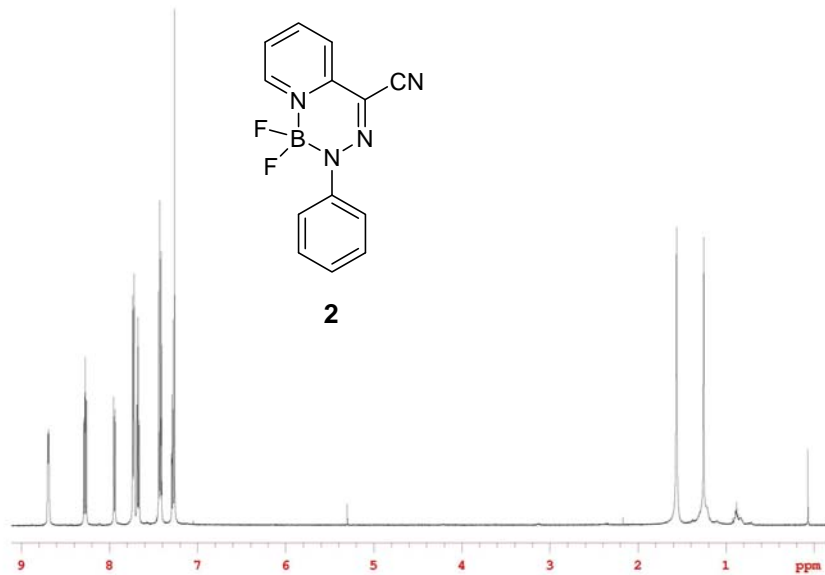
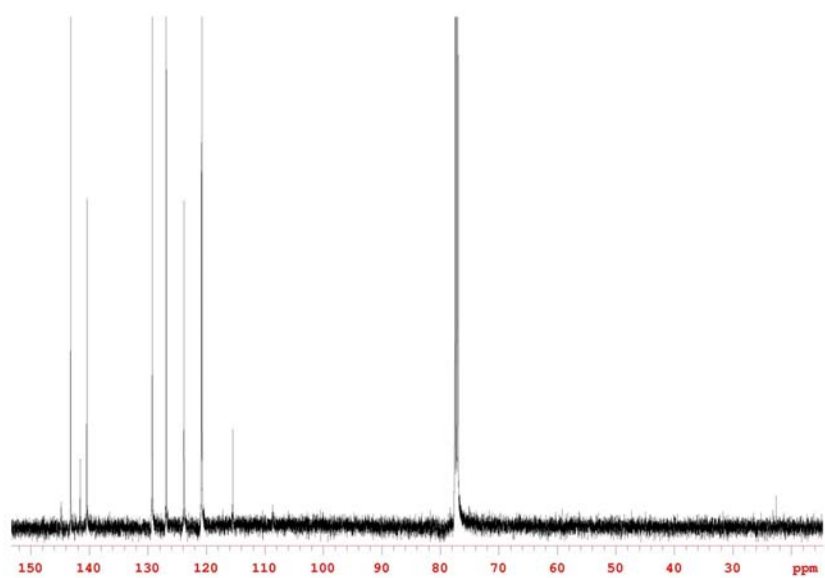


Figure S11. a) ^1H NMR and b) ^{13}C NMR c) ^{19}F NMR spectra of **1** in CDCl_3 at 294 K.

a)



b)



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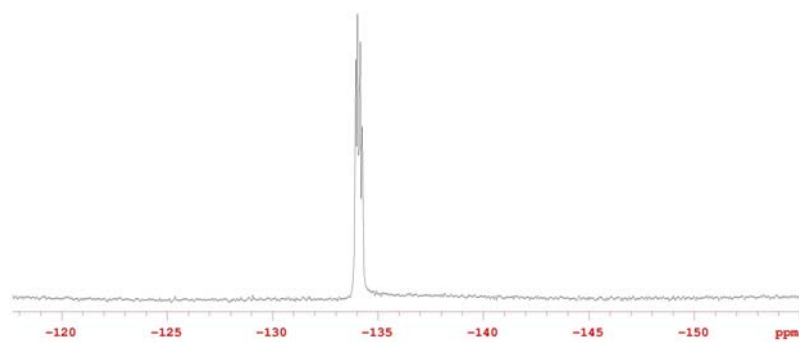
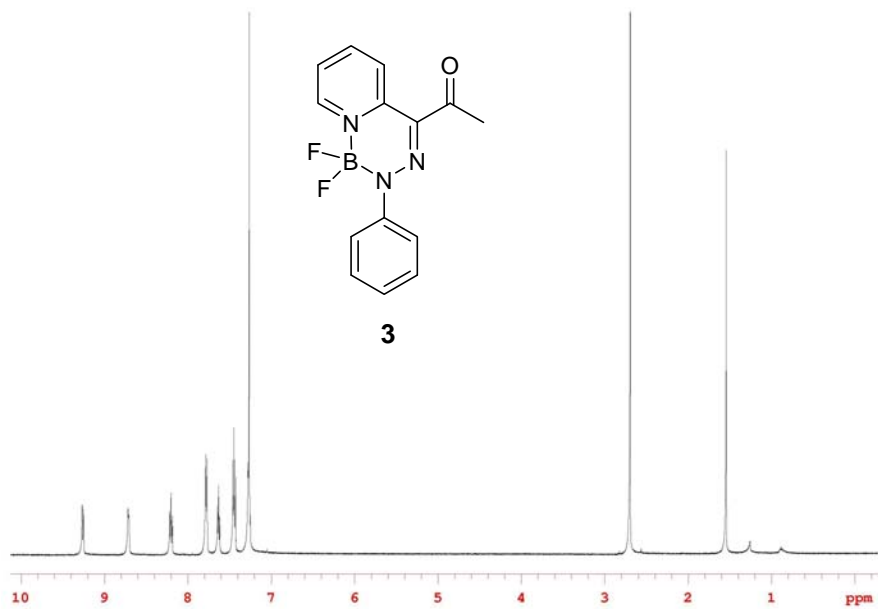
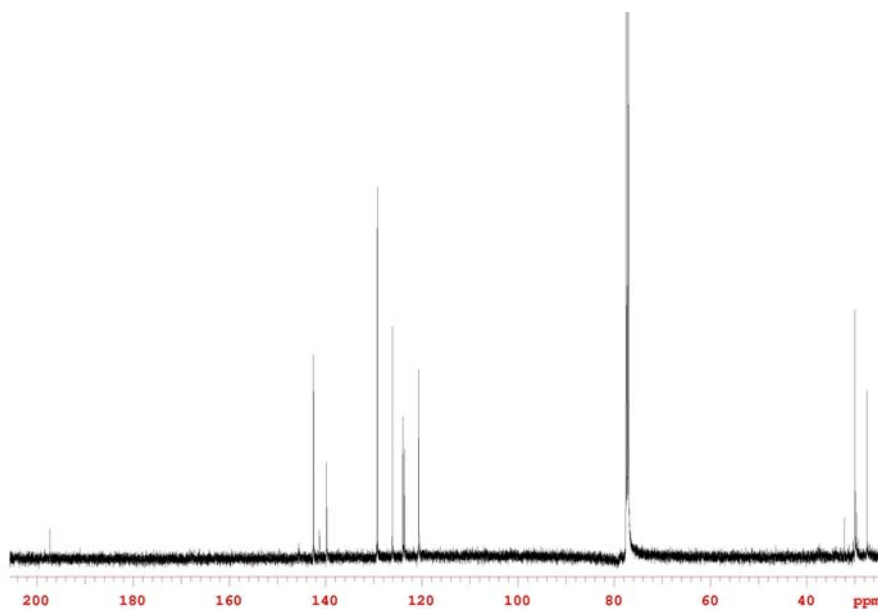


Figure S12. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR c) ¹⁹F NMR spectra of **2** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

a)



b)



c)

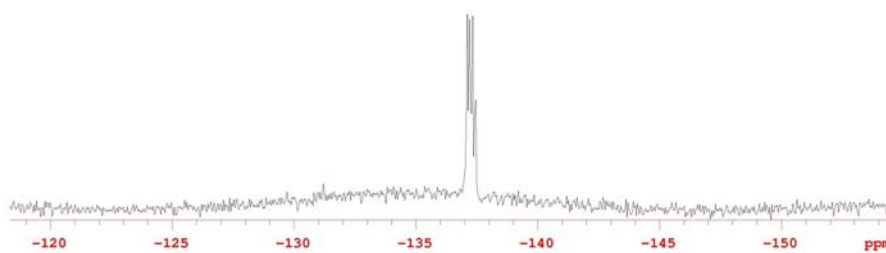
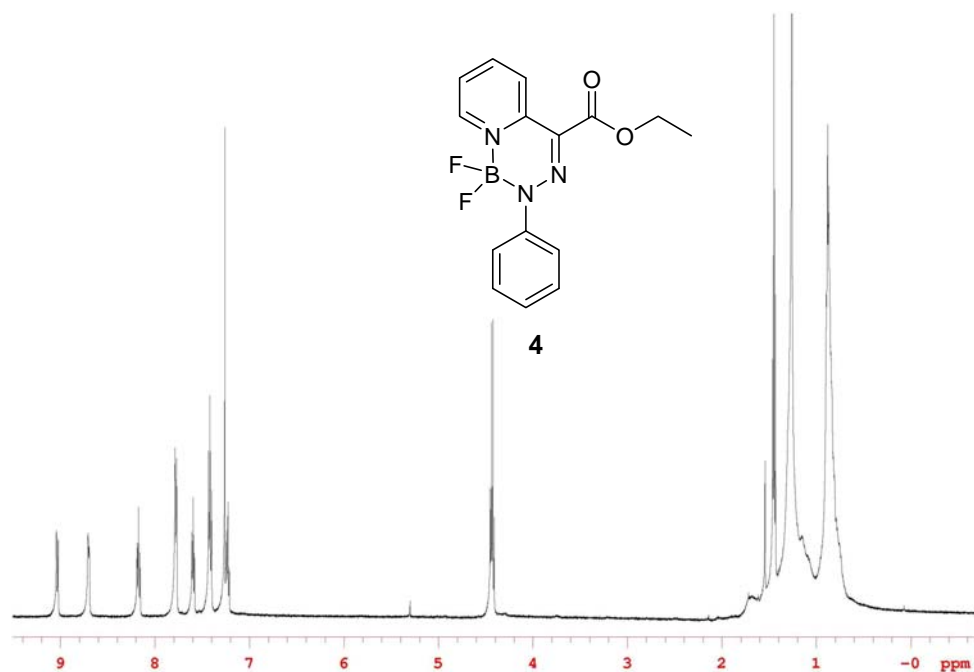
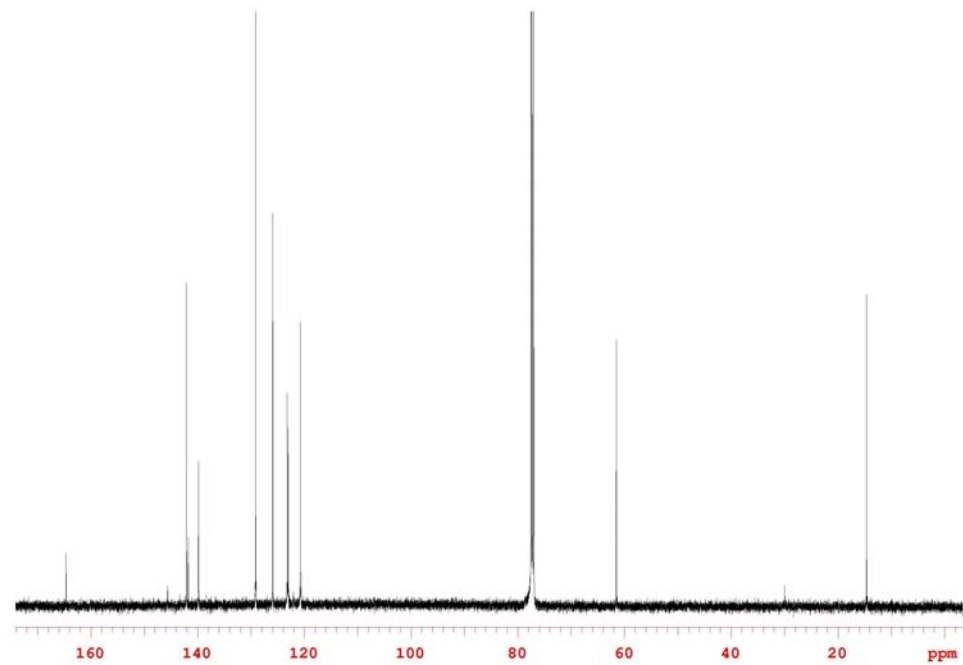


Figure S13. a) ^1H NMR and b) ^{13}C NMR c) ^{19}F NMR spectra of **3** in CDCl_3 at 294 K.

a)



b)



c)

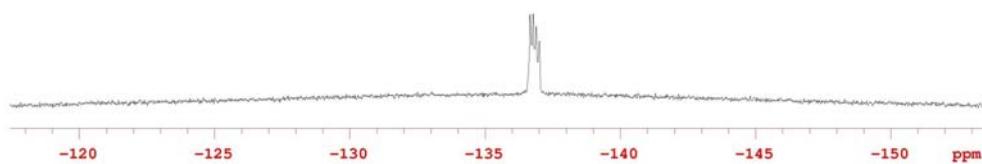
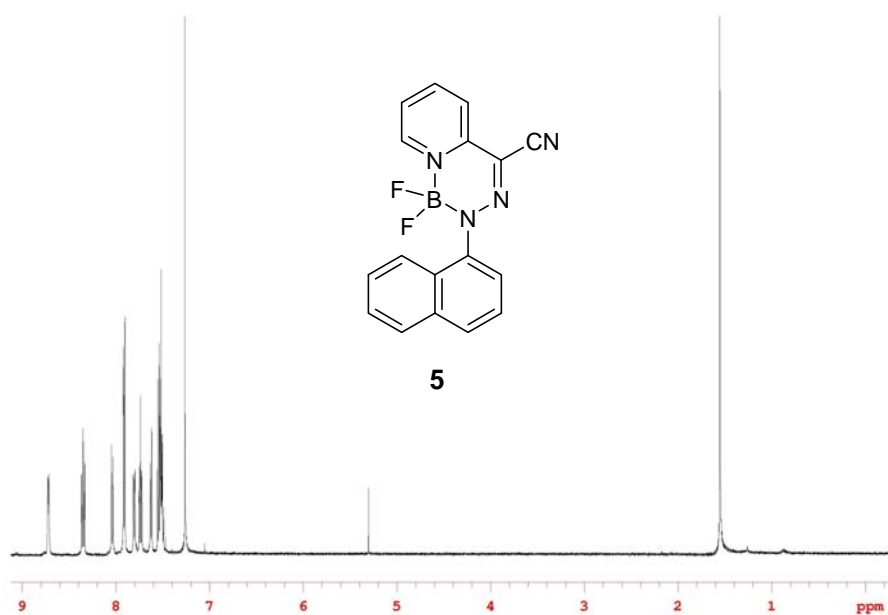
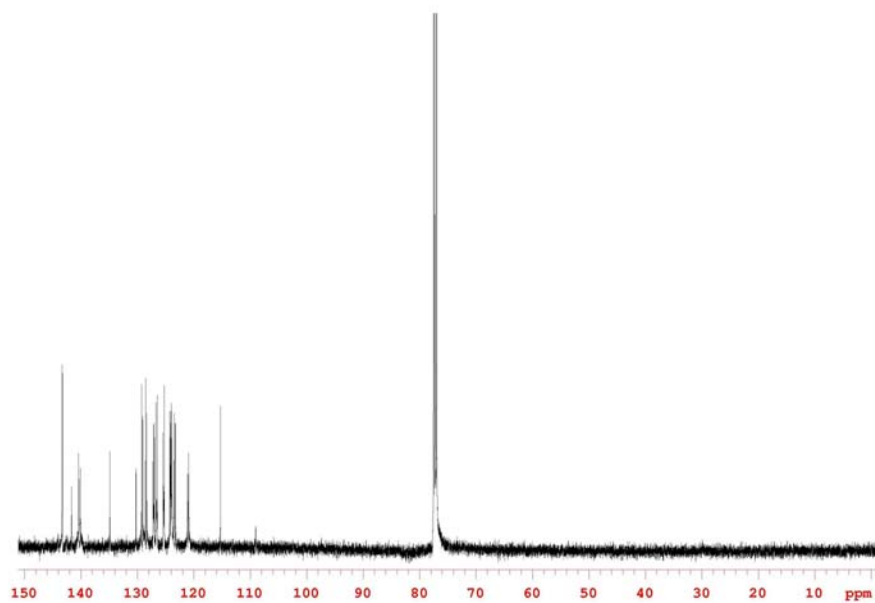


Figure S14. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR c) ¹⁹F NMR spectra of **4** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

a)



b)



c)

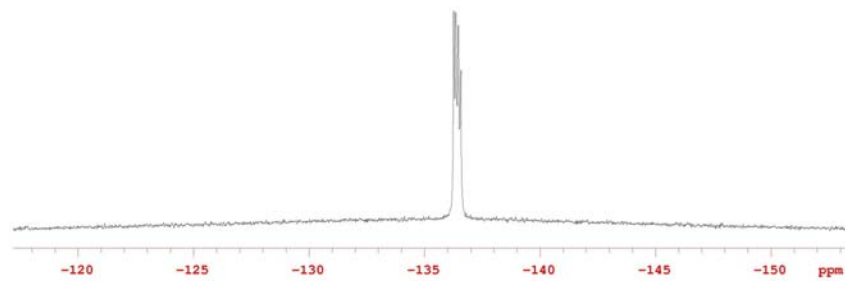
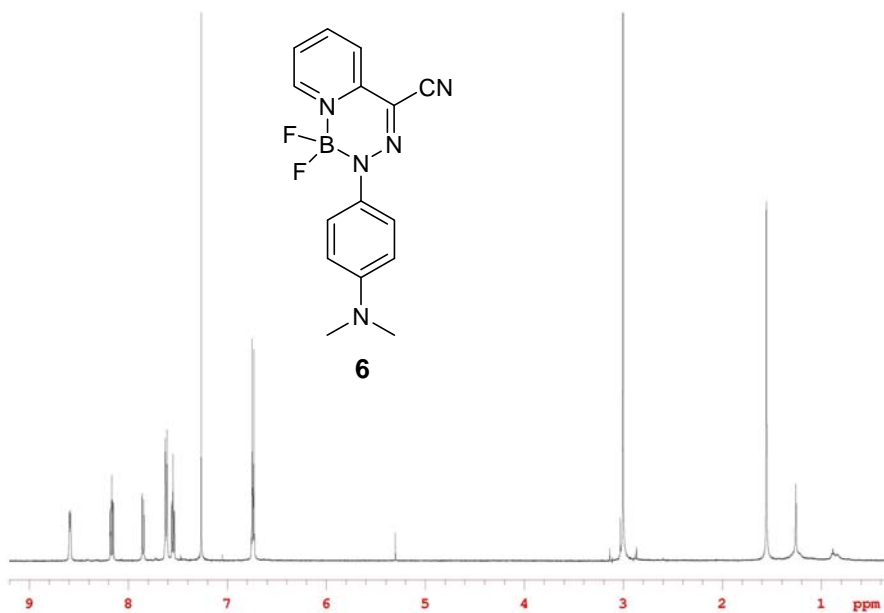
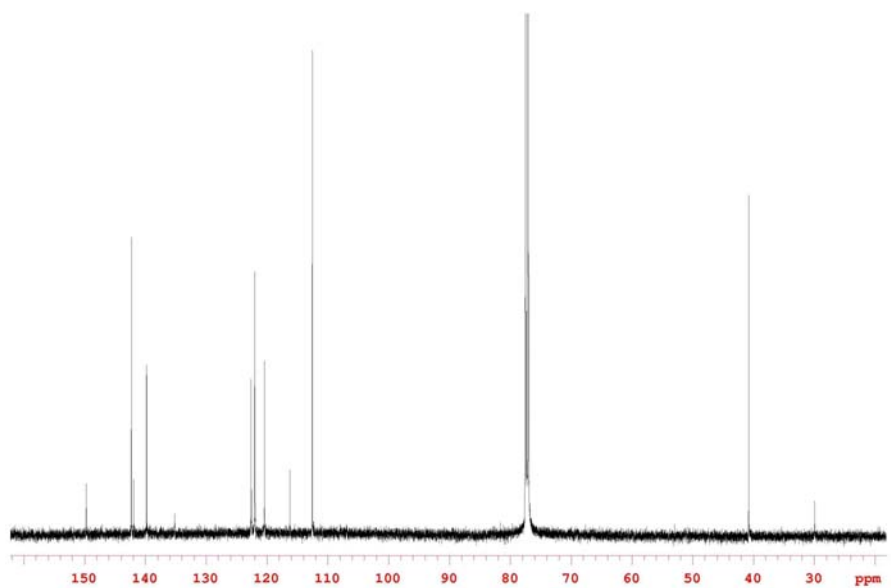


Figure S15. a) ^1H NMR and b) ^{13}C NMR c) ^{19}F NMR spectra of **5** in CDCl_3 at 294 K.

a)



b)



c)

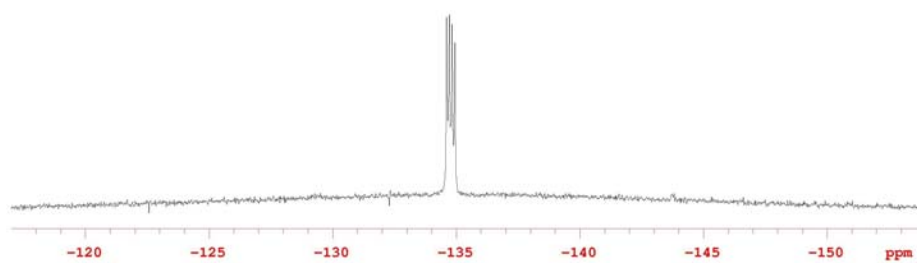


Figure S16. a) ¹H NMR and b) ¹³C NMR c) ¹⁹F NMR spectra of **6** in CDCl₃ at 294 K.

X-Ray Crystallography

1 (CCDC 841442): **1** (20 mg) was dissolved in 2 mL chloroform and 1 mL hexanes. The solution was filtered and allowed to evaporate over 2 days. Yellow needle crystals were collected.

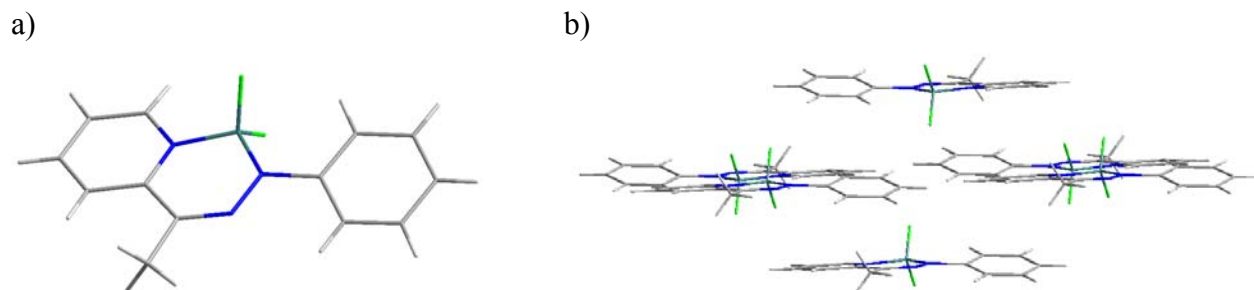


Figure S17. Wire drawing of a) the structure of **1** and b) its crystal packing.

2 (CCDC 841443): **2** (20 mg) was dissolved in 3 mL methylene chloride. The solution was filtered and allowed to evaporate over 2 days. Yellow block crystals were collected.

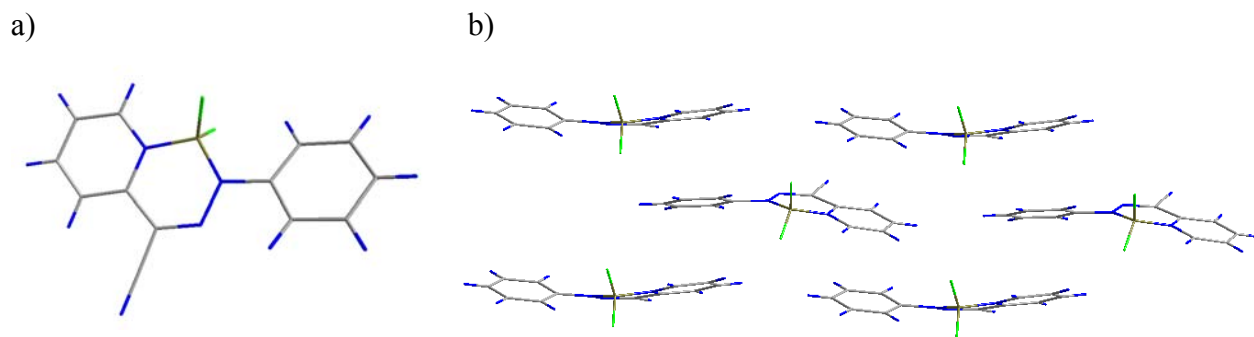


Figure S18. Wire drawing of a) the structure of **2** and b) its crystal packing.

3 (CCDC 841444): **3** (20 mg) was dissolved in 2 mL ethyl acetate and 1 mL hexanes. The solution was filtered and allowed to evaporate over 2 days. Yellow needle crystals were collected.

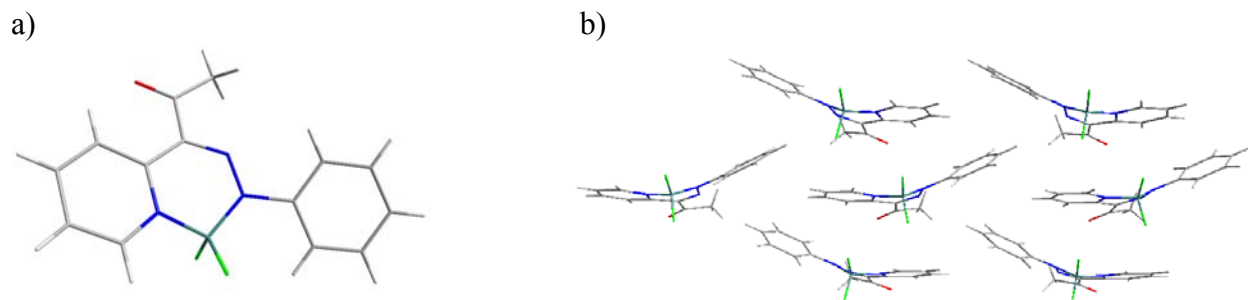


Figure S19. Wire drawing of a) the structure of **3** and b) its crystal packing.

4 (CCDC 841445): **4** (20 mg) was dissolved in 2 mL chloroform and 1 mL hexanes. The solution was filtered and allowed to evaporate over 2 days. Yellow plate crystals were collected.

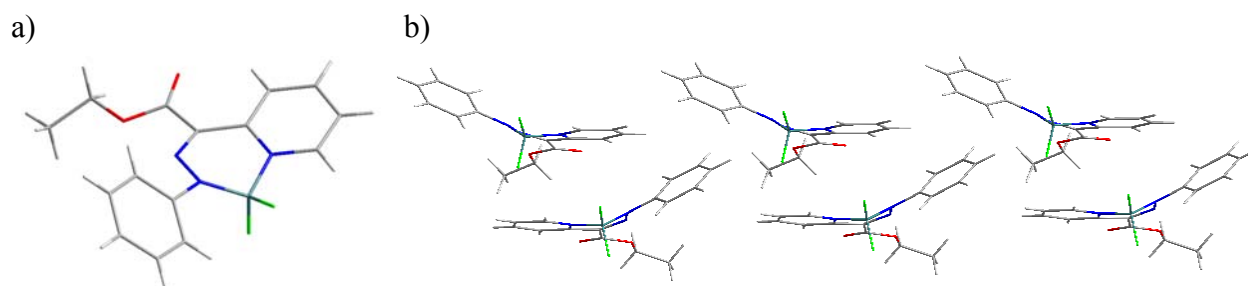
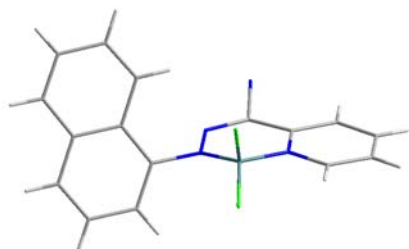


Figure S20. Wire drawing of a) the structure of **4** and b) its crystal packing.

5 (CCDC 841446): **5** (20 mg) was dissolved in 3 mL methanol. Orange plate crystals were obtained by vapor diffusion of diethyl ether into the solution.

a)



b)

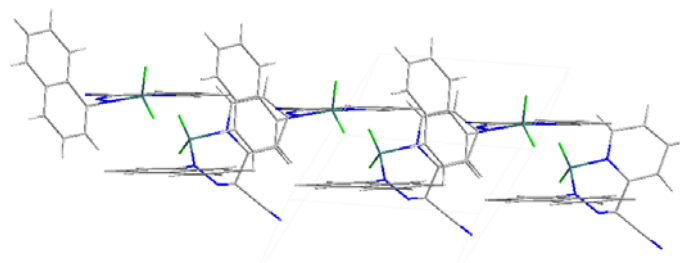


Figure S21. Wire drawing of a) the structure of **5** and b) its crystal packing.

Table S2. Crystal Data and Parameters for BODIHY crystals **1-5**.

| | 1 | 2 |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| CCDC | 841442 | 841443 |
| Empirical formula | C ₁₃ H ₁₂ BF ₂ N ₃ | C ₁₃ H ₉ BF ₂ N ₄ |
| Formula weight | 259.07 | 270.05 |
| Temperature | 173(2) K | 173(2) K |
| Wavelength | 1.54178 Å | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system | Triclinic | Monoclinic |
| Space group | P 21/c | P 21/c |
| Unit cell dimensions | a = 7.41690(10) Å α = 70.2960(10)° b = 8.37810(10) Å β = 73.1310(10)° c = 11.0339(2) Å γ = 71.4410(10)° | a = 12.6822(13) Å α = 90° b = 6.9729(7) Å β = 95.1380(10)° c = 13.8314(14) Å γ = 90° |
| Volume | 598.944(15) Å ³ | 1218.2(2) Å ³ |
| Z | 2 | 4 |
| Density (calculated) | 1.436 Mg/m ³ | 1.472 Mg/m ³ |
| Absorption coefficient | 0.913 mm ⁻¹ | 0.113 mm ⁻¹ |
| F(000) | 268 | 552 |
| Theta range for data collection | 4.35 to 68.02° | 1.61 to 25.39° |
| Index ranges | -8<=h<=8, -9<=k<=10, -13<=l<=13 | -15<=h<=15, -8<=k<=8, -16<=l<=16 |
| Reflections collected | 11932 | 16730 |
| Independent reflections | 2112 [R(int) = 0.0231] | 2249 [R(int) = 0.0465] |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.049 | 1.045 |
| Final R indices [I>2σ(I)] | R ₁ = 0.0368, ωR ₂ = 0.0968 | R ₁ = 0.0444, ωR ₂ = 0.1172 |
| R indices (all data) | R ₁ = 0.0380, ωR ₂ = 0.0981 | R ₁ = 0.0556, ωR ₂ = 0.1288 |

| | 3 | 4 |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| CCDC | 841444 | 841445 |
| Empirical formula | C ₁₄ H ₁₂ BF ₂ N ₃ O | C ₁₅ H ₁₄ BF ₂ N ₃ O ₂ |
| Formula weight | 287.08 | 317.10 |
| Temperature | 173(2) K | 173(2) K |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic | Monoclinic |
| Space group | P 21/c | P 21/c |
| Unit cell dimensions | a = 13.5890(18) Å α = 90° b = 11.4482(15) Å β = 105.5190(10)° c = 8.7135(11) Å γ = 90° | a = 14.589(3) Å α = 90° b = 11.456(2) Å β = 90.271(2)° c = 8.6272(15) Å γ = 90° |
| Volume | 1306.1(3) Å ³ | 1441.8(4) Å ³ |
| Z | 4 | 4 |
| Density (calculated) | 1.460 Mg/m ³ | 1.461 Mg/m ³ |
| Absorption coefficient | 0.113 mm ⁻¹ | 0.115 mm ⁻¹ |
| F(000) | 592 | 656 |
| Theta range for data collection | 2.36 to 25.28° | 2.26 to 25.37° |
| Index ranges | -16 ≤ h ≤ 16, -13 ≤ k ≤ 13, -10 ≤ l ≤ 10 | -17 ≤ h ≤ 17, -13 ≤ k ≤ 13, -10 ≤ l ≤ 10 |
| Reflections collected | 8857 | 11401 |
| Independent reflections | 2378 [R(int) = 0.0221] | 2656 [R(int) = 0.0616] |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.063 | 1.003 |
| Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)] | R ₁ = 0.0315, ωR ₂ = 0.0758 | R ₁ = 0.0424, ωR ₂ = 0.0921 |
| R indices (all data) | R ₁ = 0.0400, ωR ₂ = 0.0809 | R ₁ = 0.0834, ωR ₂ = 0.1099 |

| 5 | |
|--|--|
| CCDC | 841446 |
| Empirical formula | $C_{17}H_{11}BF_2N_4$ |
| Formula weight | 320.11 |
| Temperature | 173(2) K |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system | Triclinic |
| Space group | P -1 |
| Unit cell dimensions | $a = 7.7978(7)$ Å $\alpha = 91.862(2)^\circ$ $b = 8.4159(11)$ Å $\beta = 95.4460(10)^\circ$ $c = 25.529(2)$ Å $\gamma = 117.2480(10)^\circ$ |
| Volume | $1477.2(3)$ Å ³ |
| Z | 4 |
| Density (calculated) | 1.439 Mg/m ³ |
| Absorption coefficient | 0.106 mm ⁻¹ |
| $F(000)$ | 656 |
| Theta range for data collection | 1.61 to 25.28° |
| Index ranges | $-9 \leq h \leq 9$, $-10 \leq k \leq 10$, $-30 \leq l \leq 30$ |
| Reflections collected | 23953 |
| Independent reflections | 5349 [$R(\text{int}) = 0.0412$] |
| Goodness-of-fit on F^2 | 1.038 |
| Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$] | $R_1 = 0.0492$, $\omega R_2 = 0.1187$ |
| R indices (all data) | $R_1 = 0.0812$, $\omega R_2 = 0.1350$ |

Computational Methods:

Calculations were performed using density functional theory (DFT) with the B3LYP functional^{S5} as implemented in Gaussian 09.^{S6} Geometry optimizations and frequency analysis were performed using the 6-311G basis set. Single point calculations (B3LYP/6-311+G(d)) were then run using the optimized structures to calculate the dipole moments.

Optimized Cartesian Coordinates for 1

| Atomic No. | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | X | Y | Z |
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| F2 | 4.125492 | 8.459836 | 3.820660 |
| B3 | 5.363155 | 7.780220 | 3.615764 |
| N4 | 6.365496 | 6.593131 | 1.631665 |
| N5 | 5.315333 | 6.797550 | 2.449013 |
| N6 | 6.449622 | 8.868016 | 3.283019 |
| C7 | 7.422169 | 7.391735 | 1.640166 |
| C8 | 7.484926 | 8.598767 | 2.416611 |
| C9 | 8.511822 | 9.562006 | 2.282377 |
| H10 | 9.333116 | 9.359488 | 1.614535 |
| C11 | 8.455249 | 10.748794 | 2.988103 |
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| C13 | 7.362761 | 11.006050 | 3.838440 |
| H14 | 7.288229 | 11.928090 | 4.393116 |
| C15 | 6.381016 | 10.048769 | 3.962160 |
| H16 | 5.515723 | 10.162859 | 4.593449 |
| C17 | 8.543824 | 7.013782 | 0.708141 |
| H18 | 8.713239 | 7.765163 | -0.068846 |
| H19 | 9.487734 | 6.865459 | 1.239671 |
| H20 | 8.283479 | 6.078828 | 0.218736 |
| C21 | 4.198315 | 5.928973 | 2.231181 |
| C22 | 3.301235 | 5.665631 | 3.277923 |
| H23 | 3.456637 | 6.105263 | 4.249766 |
| C24 | 2.212592 | 4.821424 | 3.059437 |
| H25 | 1.527296 | 4.623618 | 3.872779 |
| C26 | 2.009288 | 4.227144 | 1.811242 |
| H27 | 1.163682 | 3.572352 | 1.649405 |
| C28 | 2.909296 | 4.487763 | 0.773496 |

| | | | |
|-----|----------|----------|-----------|
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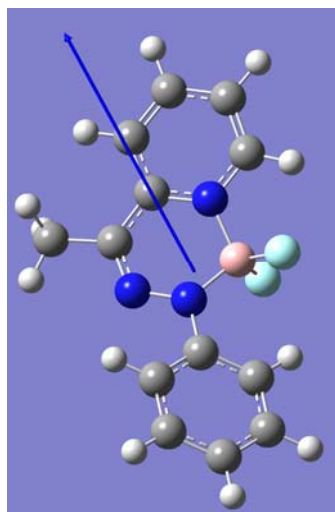
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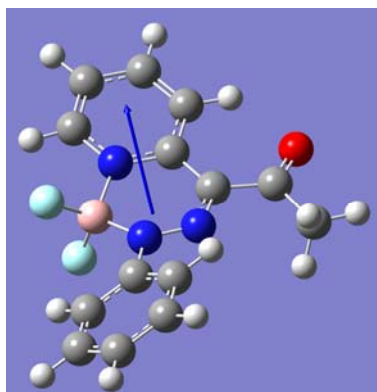
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| N5 | 9.146793 | 0.582300 | 2.941177 |
| N6 | 8.514637 | 2.993690 | 2.664734 |
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| C10 | 10.133581 | 4.574676 | 1.886712 |
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| C14 | 7.993917 | 5.325641 | 2.724535 |
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| C19 | 12.830739 | 0.928745 | 1.297134 |
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Calculated Dipole Moment
6.31D



2.67D



5.16D

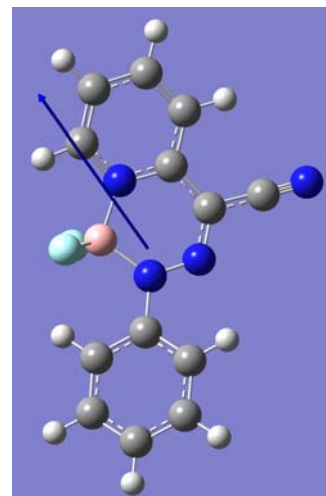


Figure S22. The calculated dipole moments of **1**, **2**, and **3**.

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