

## Supporting Information

Synthesis of novel platinum complex core as a selective Ag<sup>+</sup> sensor and its H-bonded tetrads self-assembled with triarylamine dendrimers for electron/energy transfers

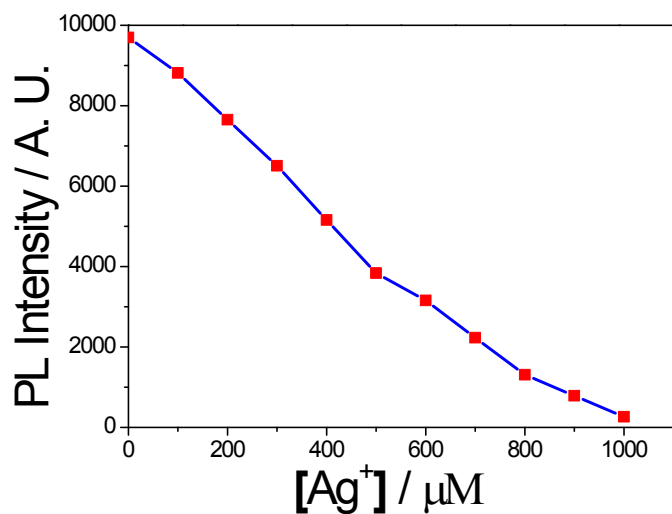
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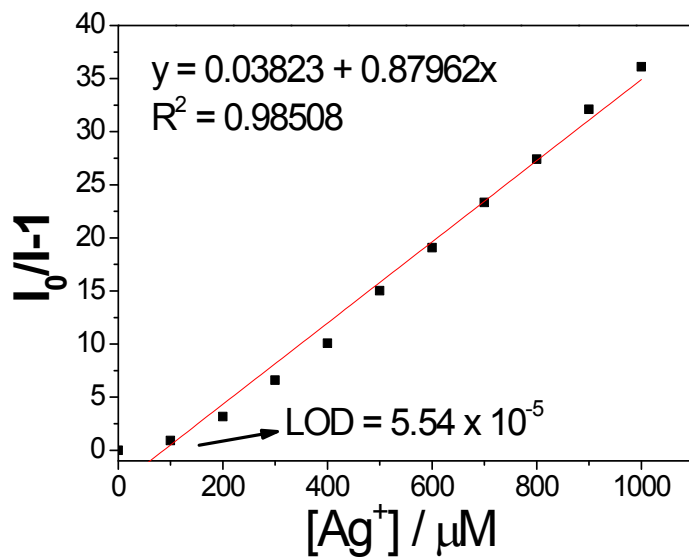
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**Figure S3.** PL Intensity changes of PtC (0.1 μM) as a function of Ag<sup>+</sup> concentration (0-1000 μM; with an equal span of 100 μM).



**Figure S4.** Detection limit of PtC towards Ag<sup>+</sup> by linear fitting calculation.

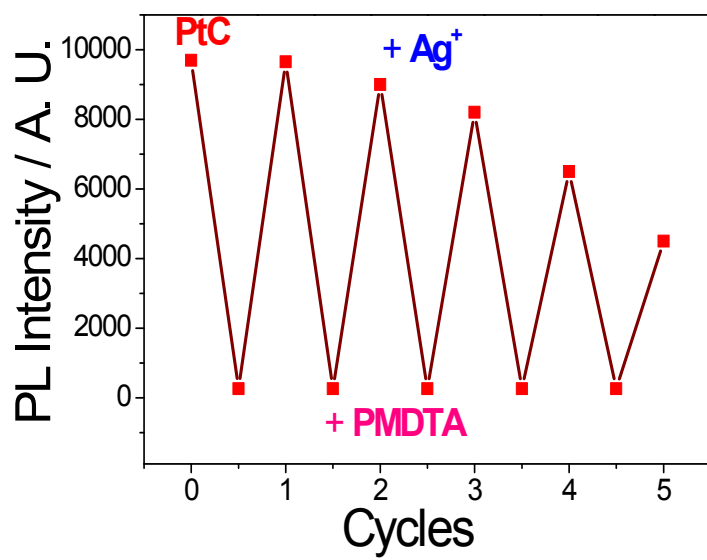


Figure S5. Reversibility tests of PtC towards Ag<sup>+</sup> and PMDTA.

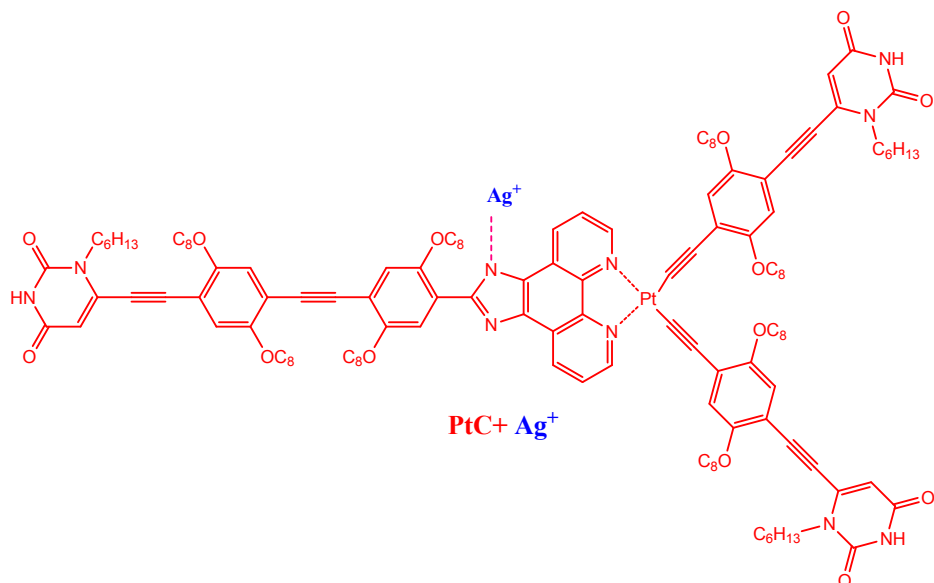
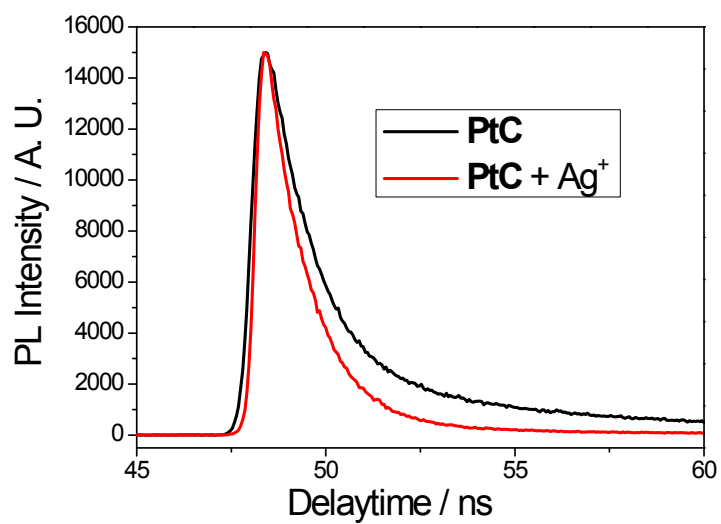


Figure S6. Possible binding mechanism of PtC towards Ag<sup>+</sup>.



**Figure S7.** TRPL spectra of free **PtC** and in the absence/presence of  $\text{Ag}^+$ .

**Table S1.** Time-resolved fluorescence decay constants of **PtC**, tetrads [**PtC-(TPAD1)<sub>3</sub>** and **PtC-(TPAD2)<sub>3</sub>**] and **PtC+Ag<sup>+</sup>**.

Compound	$\tau_1$ (ns)	$\tau_2$ (ns)	A <sub>1</sub> (%)	A <sub>2</sub> (%)	$\tau_{\text{Avg}}$ (ns)
<b>PtC</b>	1.55	5.96	28.3	71.7	3.71
<b>PtC-TPAD1</b>	3.13	6.71	35.4	64.6	4.83
<b>PtC-(TPAD1)<sub>2</sub></b>	3.45	7.15	38.1	61.9	5.65
<b>PtC-(TPAD1)<sub>3</sub></b>	3.76	9.12	45.2	54.8	6.43
<b>PtC-TPAD2</b>	3.25	6.95	39.4	60.6	5.12
<b>PtC-(TPAD2)<sub>2</sub></b>	4.51	8.56	43.2	56.8	6.55
<b>PtC-(TPAD2)<sub>3</sub></b>	5.73	9.85	47.1	52.9	8.11
<b>PtC + Ag<sup>+</sup></b>	1.67	6.72	76.2	23.8	2.95

**Table S2.** Stern-Volmer constants ( $K_{SV}$ ) of different metal ions

S. No	<sup>a</sup> Metal Ions	<sup>b</sup> $K_{SV}$ ( $M^{-1}$ )
		( $\lambda_{abs} = 408$ nm; $\lambda_{em} = 461$ nm)
1	Ag <sup>+</sup>	3.61 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
2	Cu <sup>+</sup>	2.67 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
3	K <sup>+</sup>	5.47 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
4	Na <sup>+</sup>	5.95 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
5	Fe <sup>3+</sup>	4.99 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
6	Al <sup>3+</sup>	8.05 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
7	Ag <sup>2+</sup>	8.10 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
8	Ba <sup>2+</sup>	7.01 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
9	Ca <sup>2+</sup>	7.96 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
10	Co <sup>2+</sup>	6.03 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
11	Cu <sup>2+</sup>	8.98 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
12	Fe <sup>2+</sup>	6.04 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
13	Mg <sup>2+</sup>	3.95 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
14	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	4.99 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
15	Ni <sup>2+</sup>	3.02 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
16	Pb <sup>2+</sup>	6.93 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
17	Zn <sup>2+</sup>	1.21 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
18	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	8.95 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
19	Cr <sup>3+</sup>	5.01 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
20	<sup>c</sup> All metals	8.30 x 10 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Metal ion concentration is 1000  $\mu$ M in H<sub>2</sub>O from their respective aqueous solution and **PtC** concentration is 0.1  $\mu$ M in THF.

<sup>b</sup> $K_{SV} = [(I_0/I-1)]/[Q]$ ; [Q] = quencher concentration (1000  $\mu$ M for all metal ions). <sup>c</sup>All metals is a mixture of metal ions except Ag<sup>+</sup>.

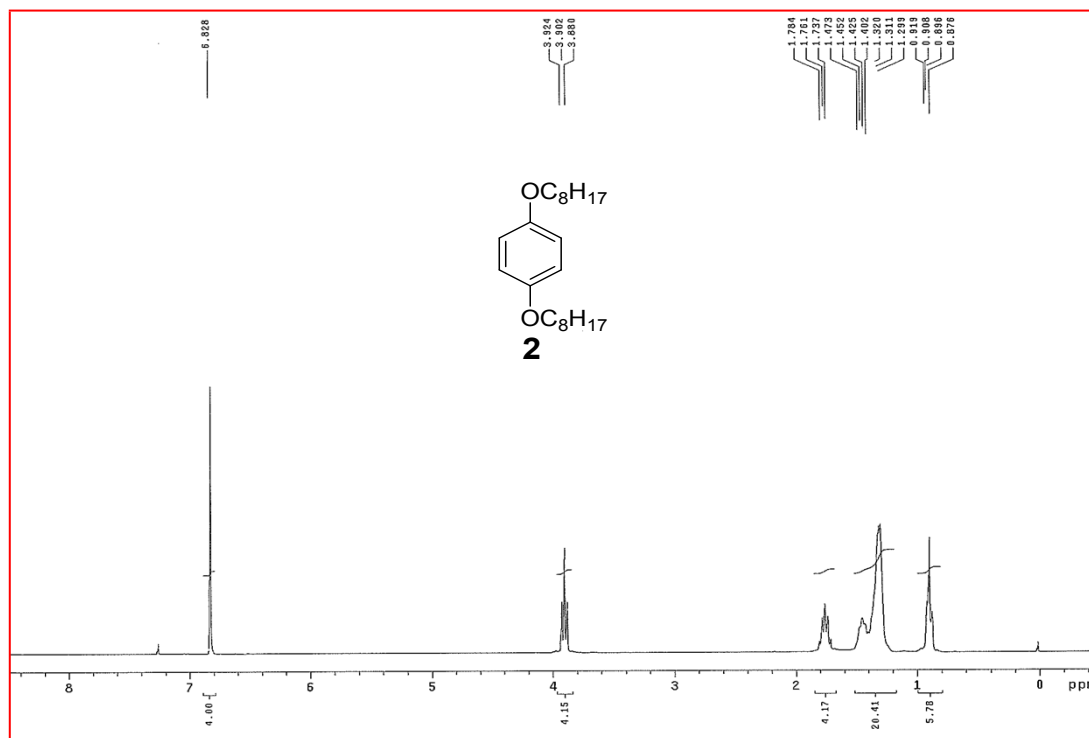


Figure S8. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 2.

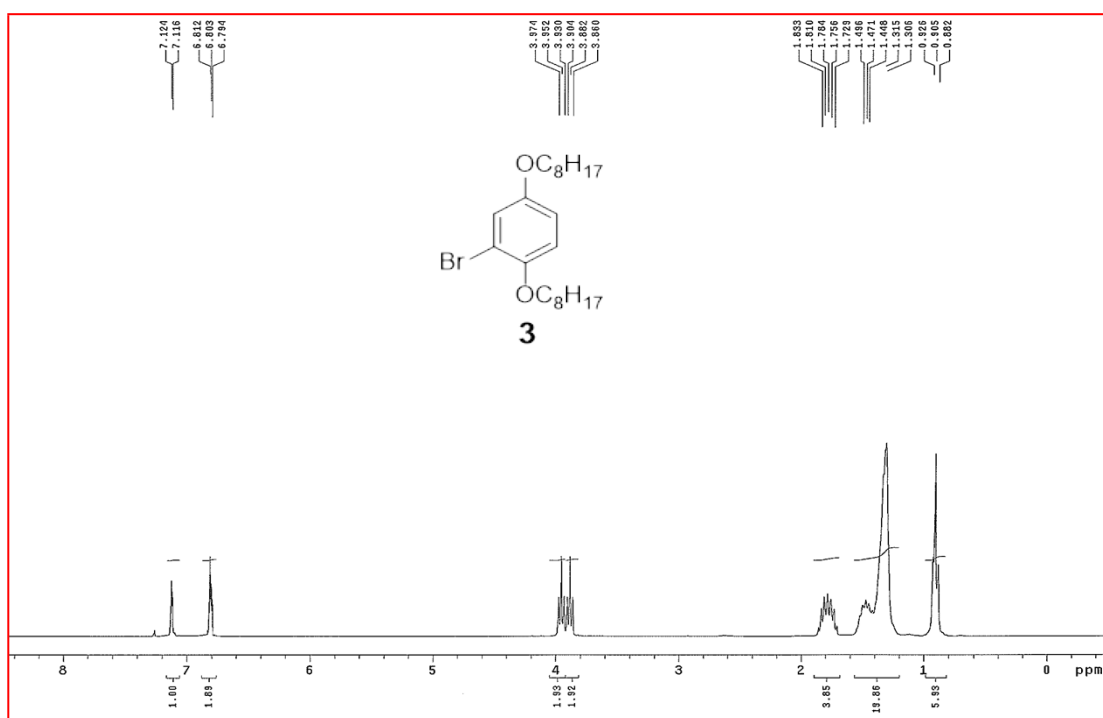


Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 3.



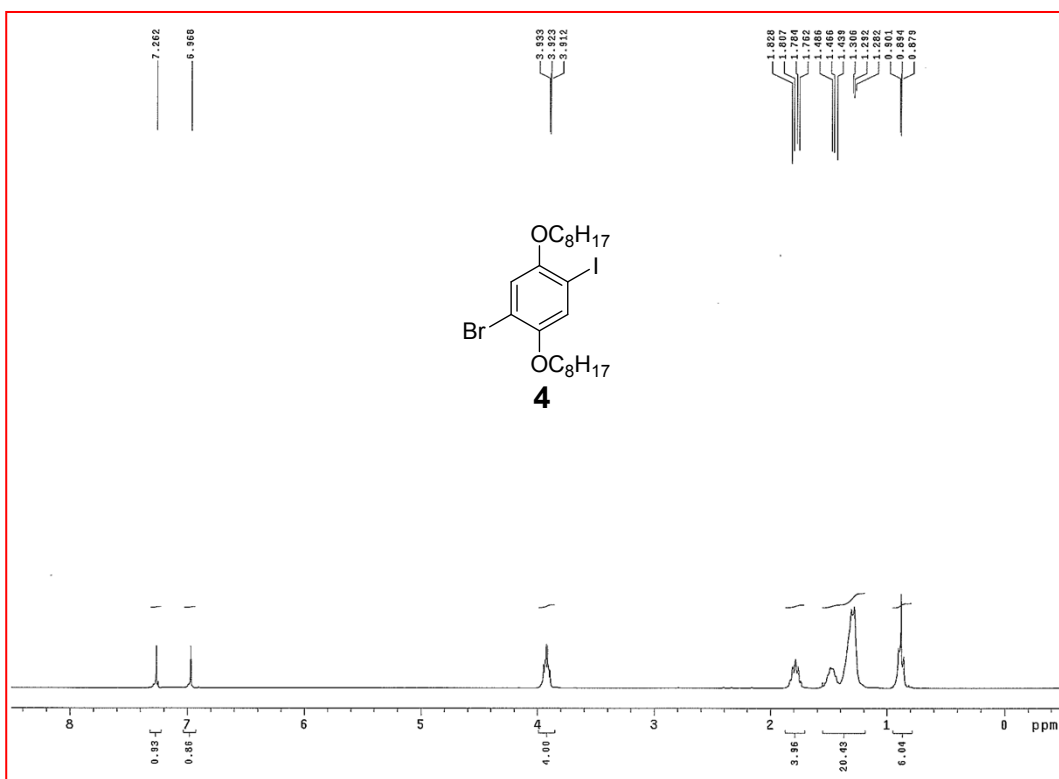


Figure S10.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **4**.

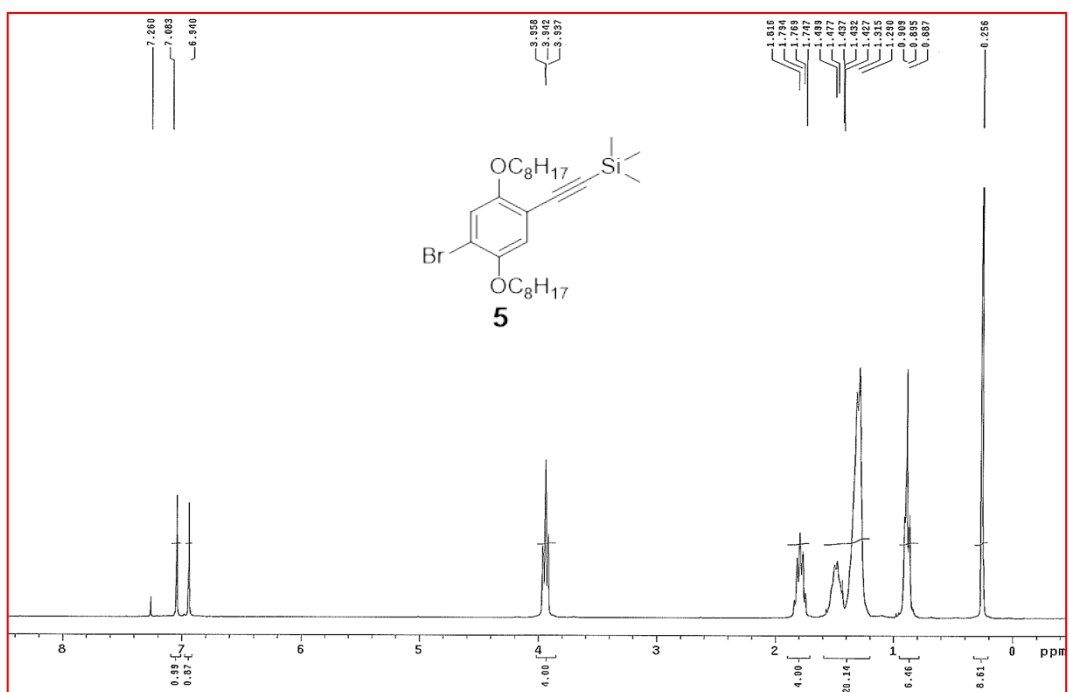


Figure S11.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **5**.

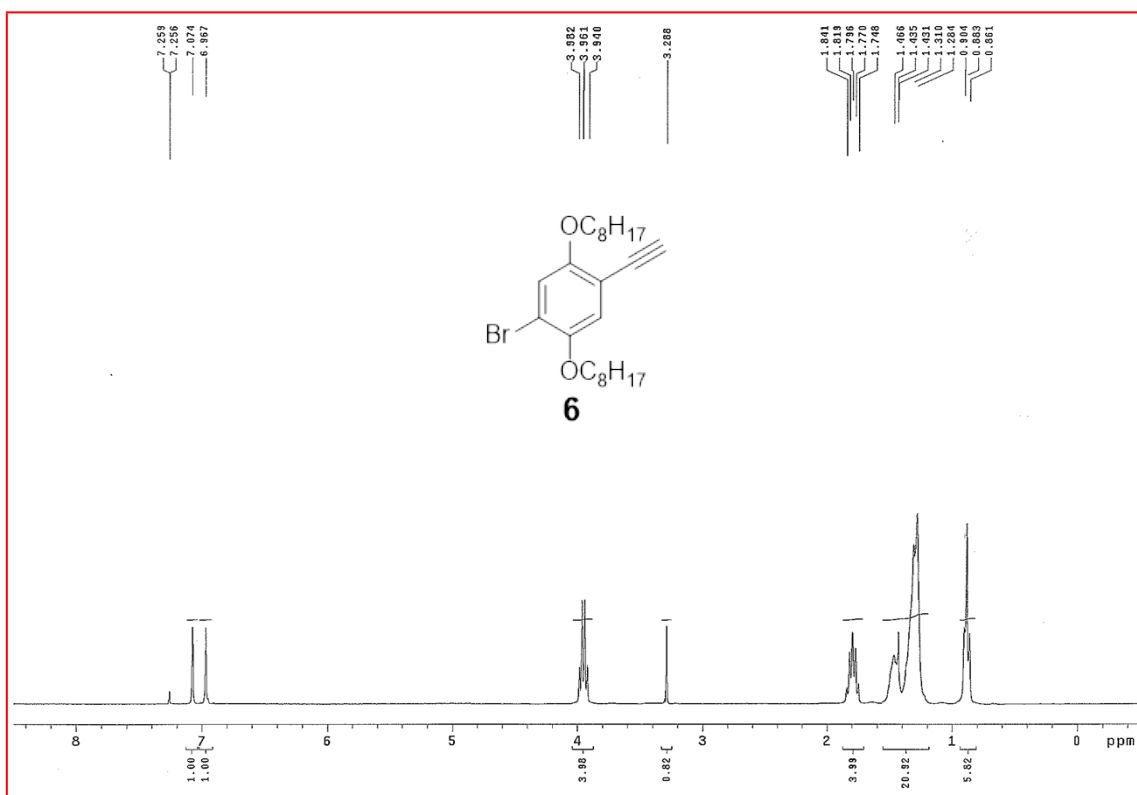


Figure S12. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **6**.

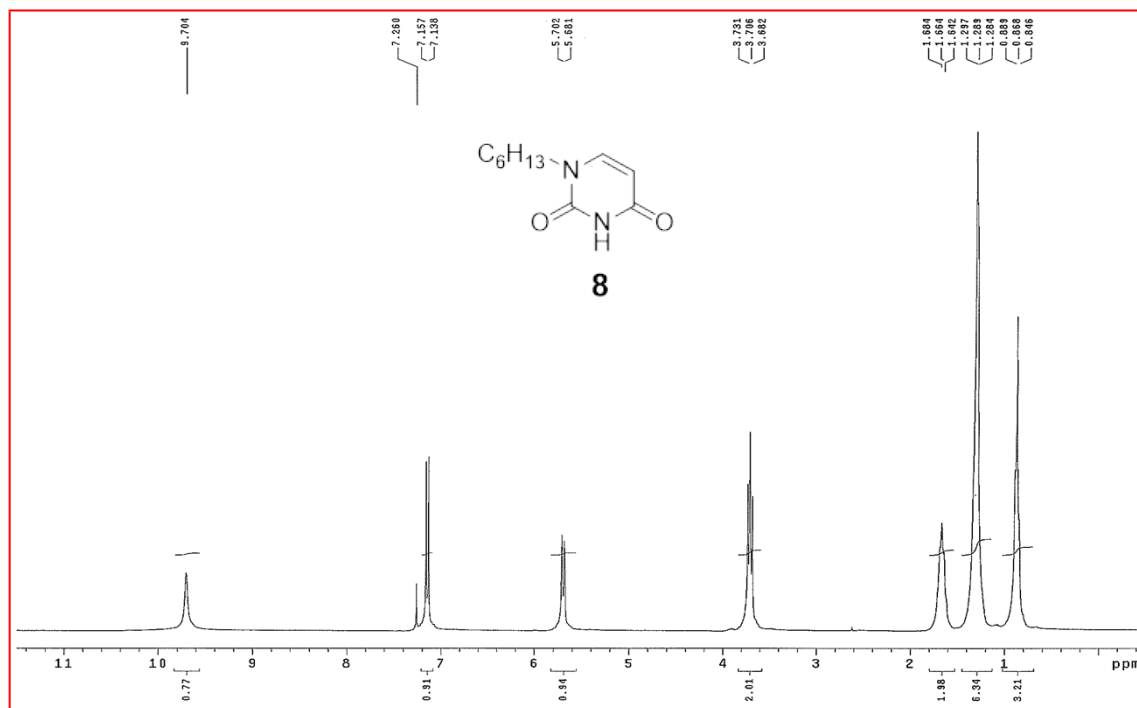


Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **8**.

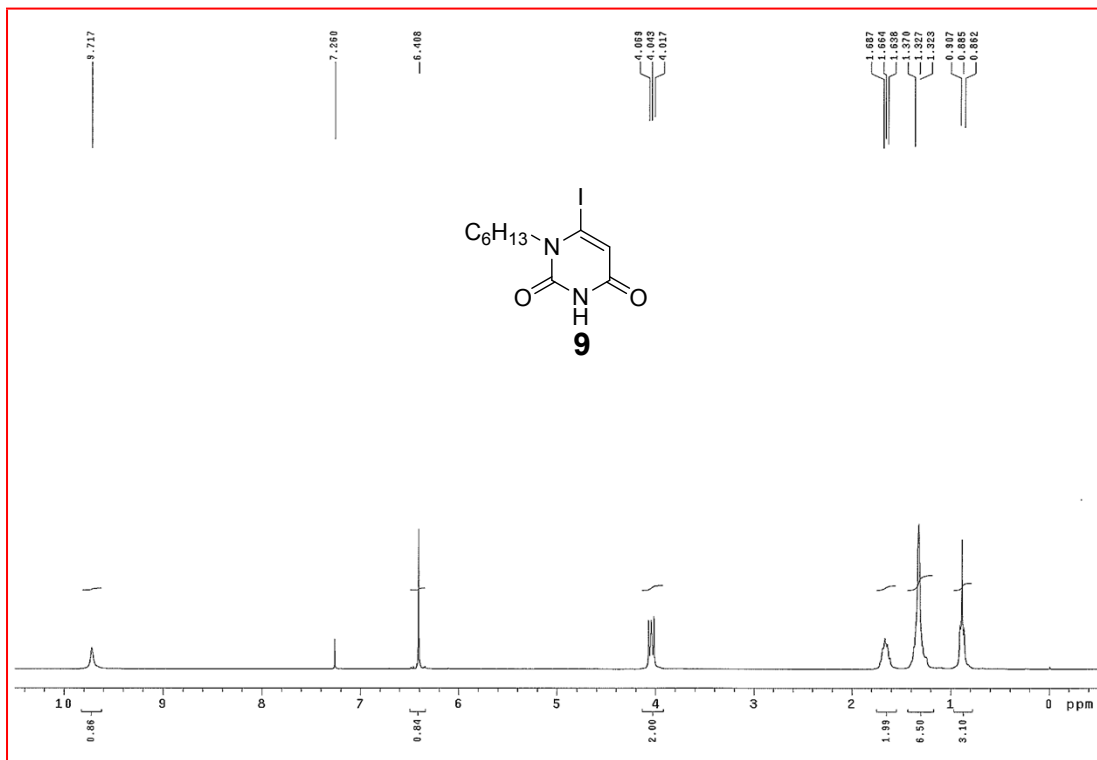


Figure S14. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **9**.

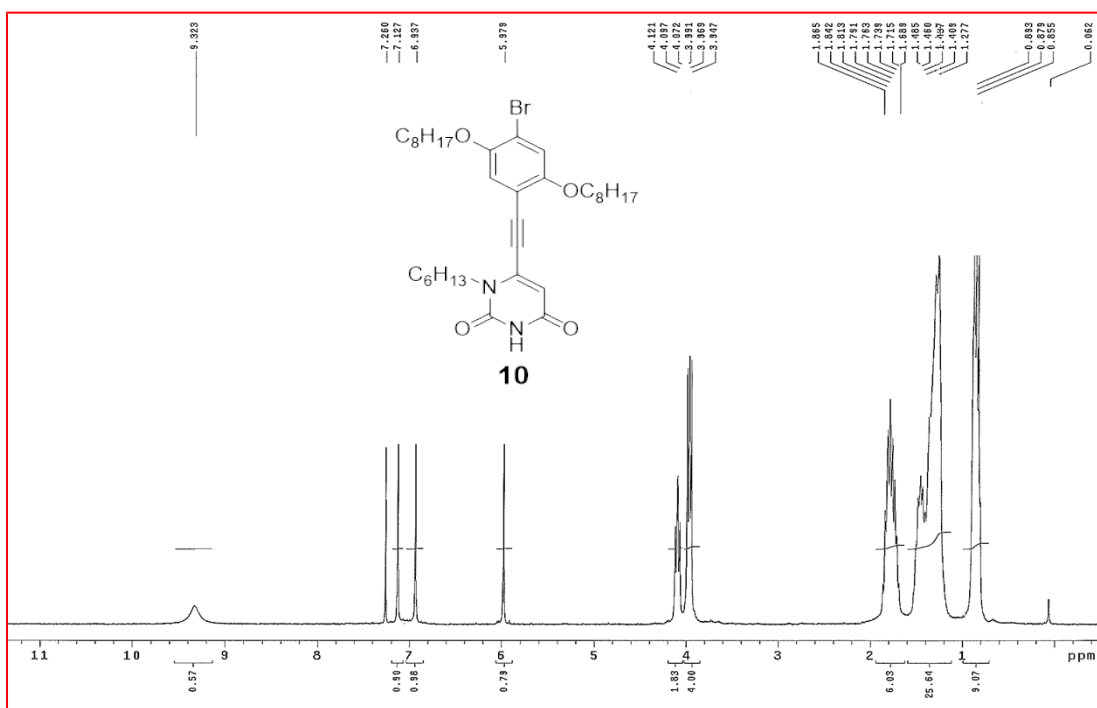


Figure S15. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **10**.

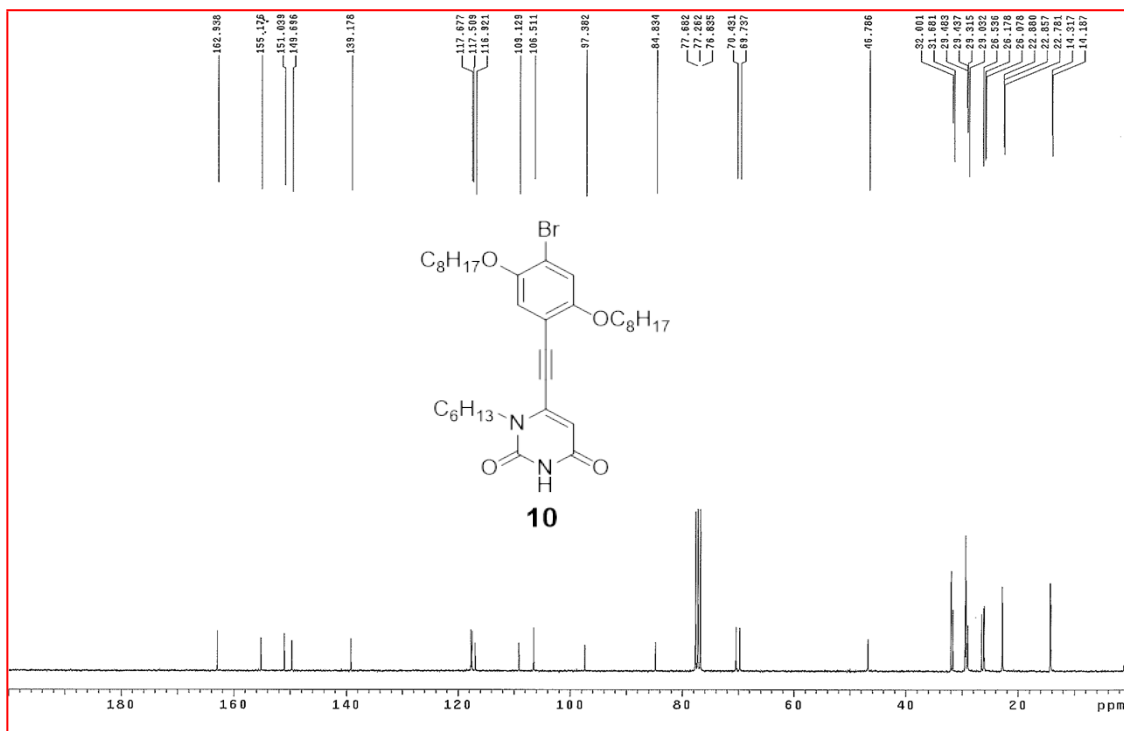


Figure S16. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **10**.

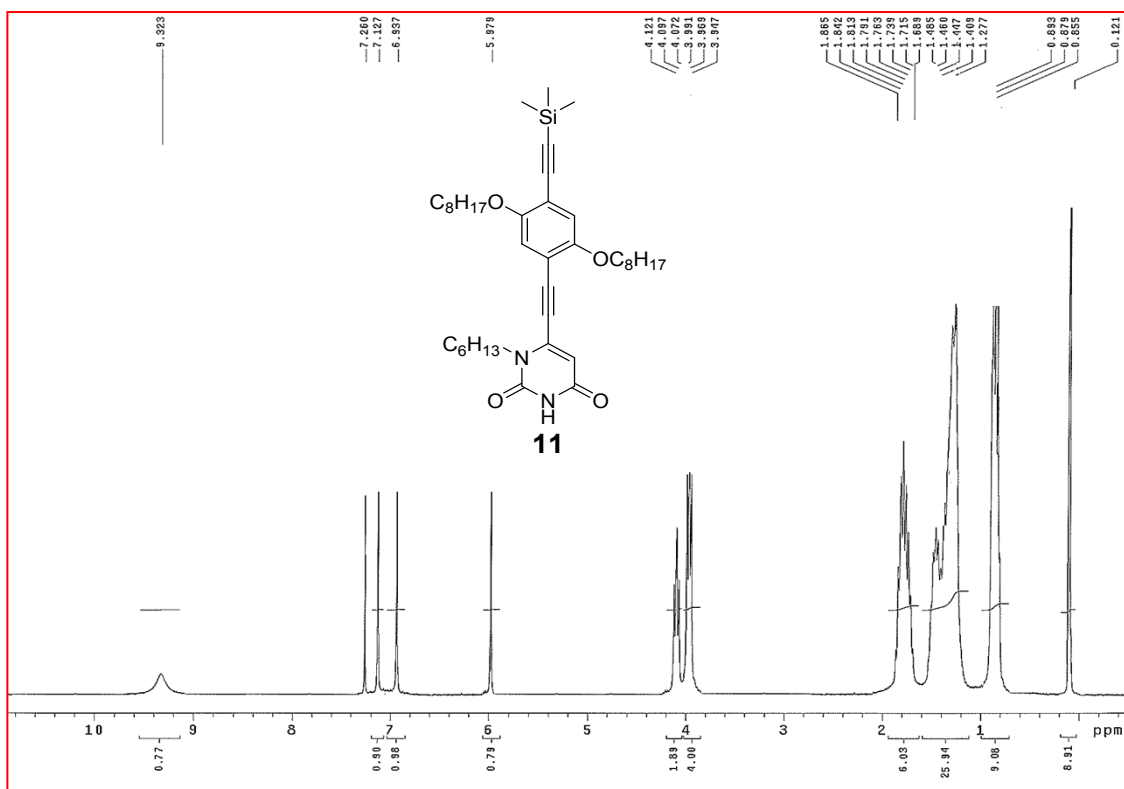


Figure S17. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **11**.

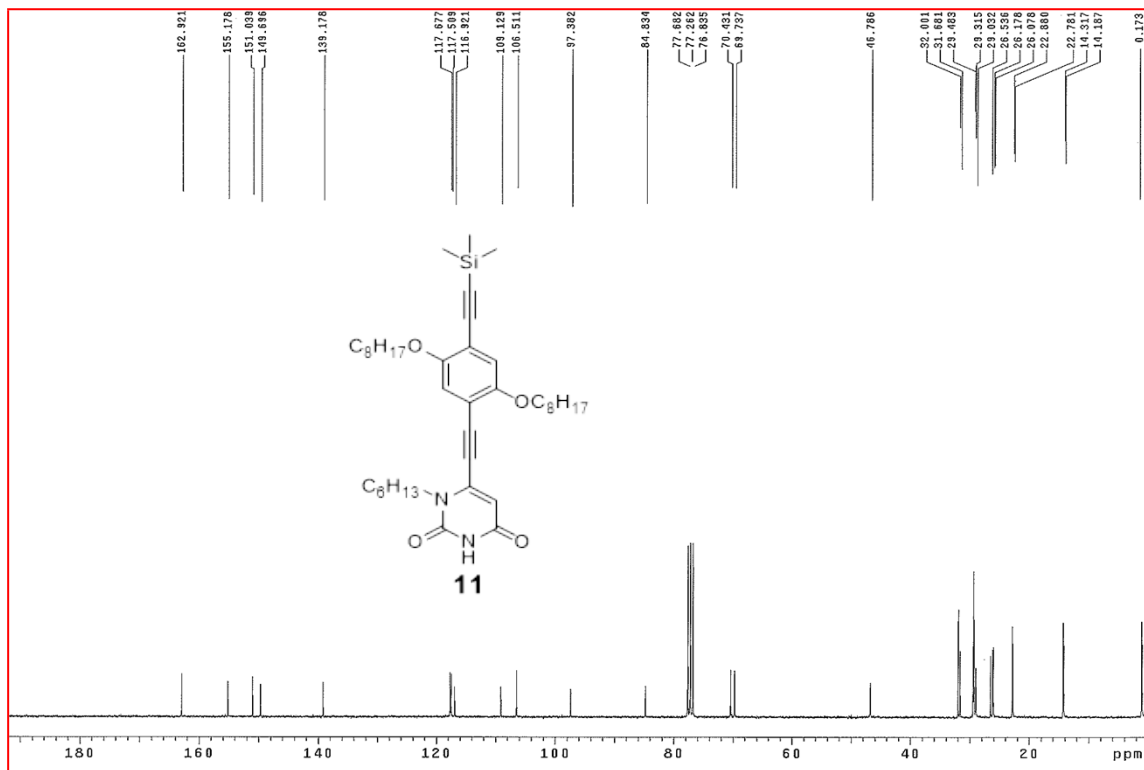


Figure S18. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **11**.

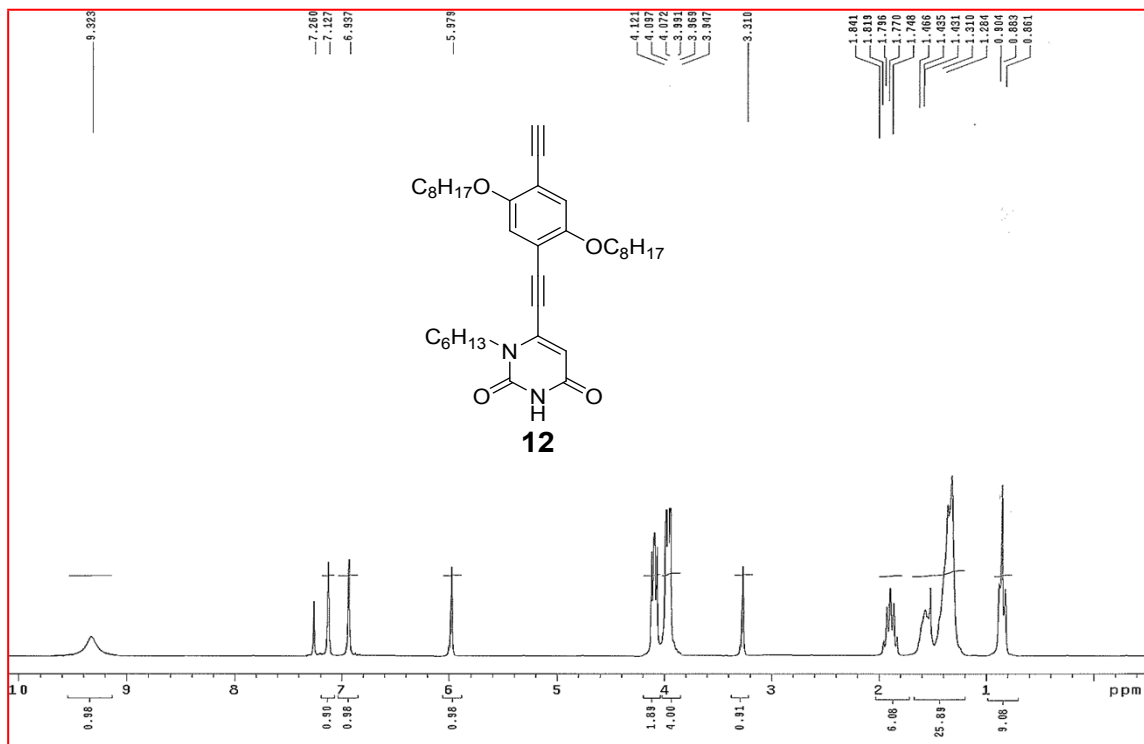


Figure S19. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **12**.

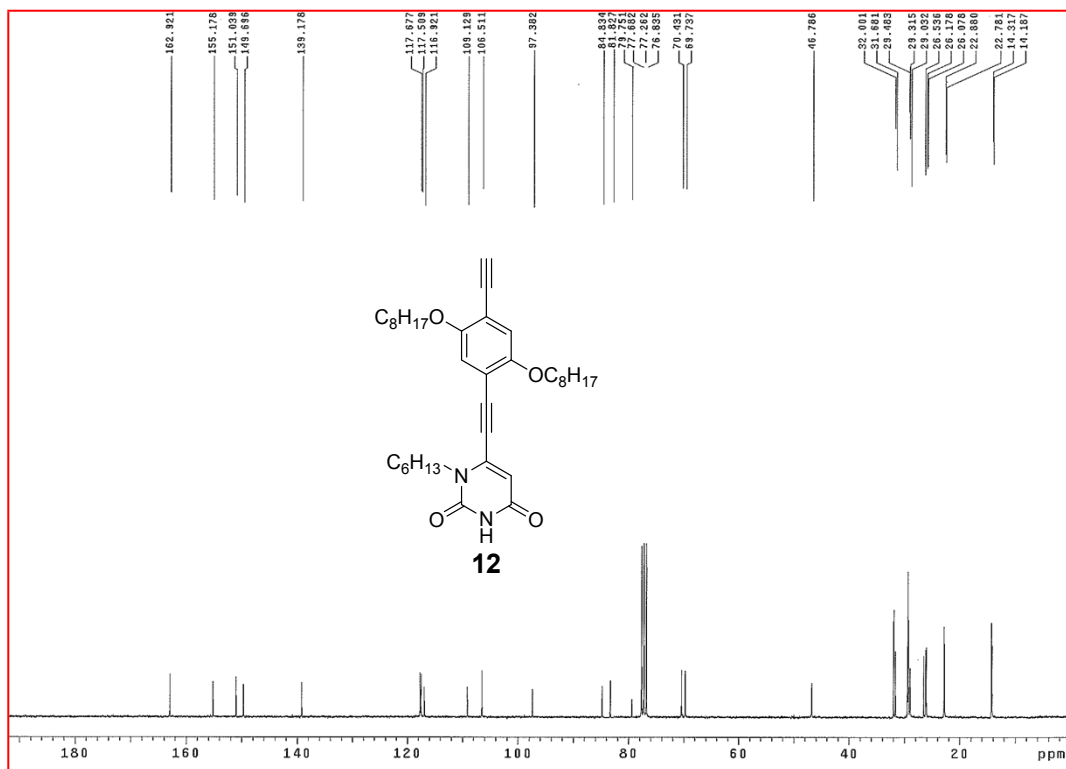


Figure S20. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **12**.

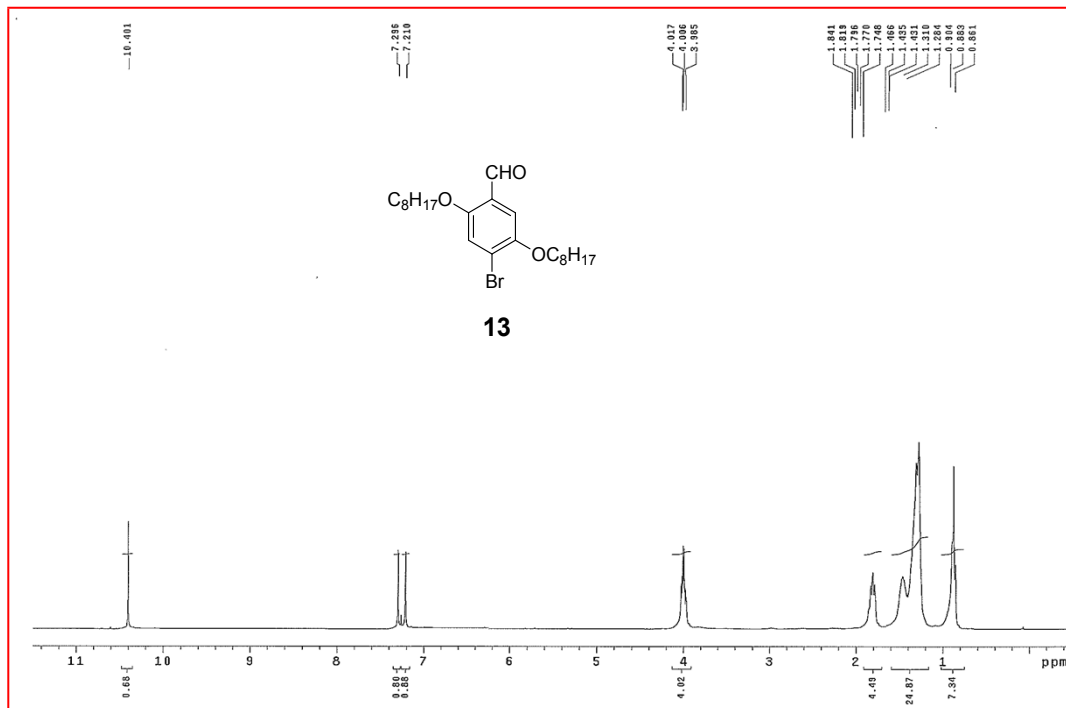


Figure S21. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **13**.

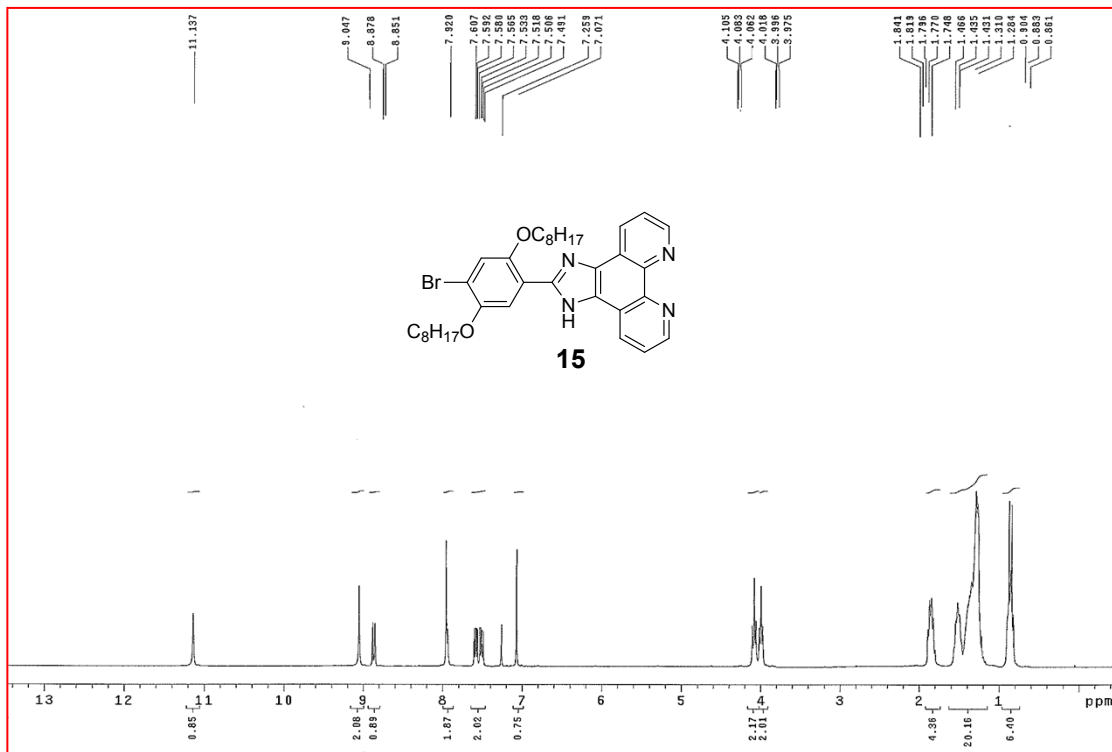


Figure S22. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 15.

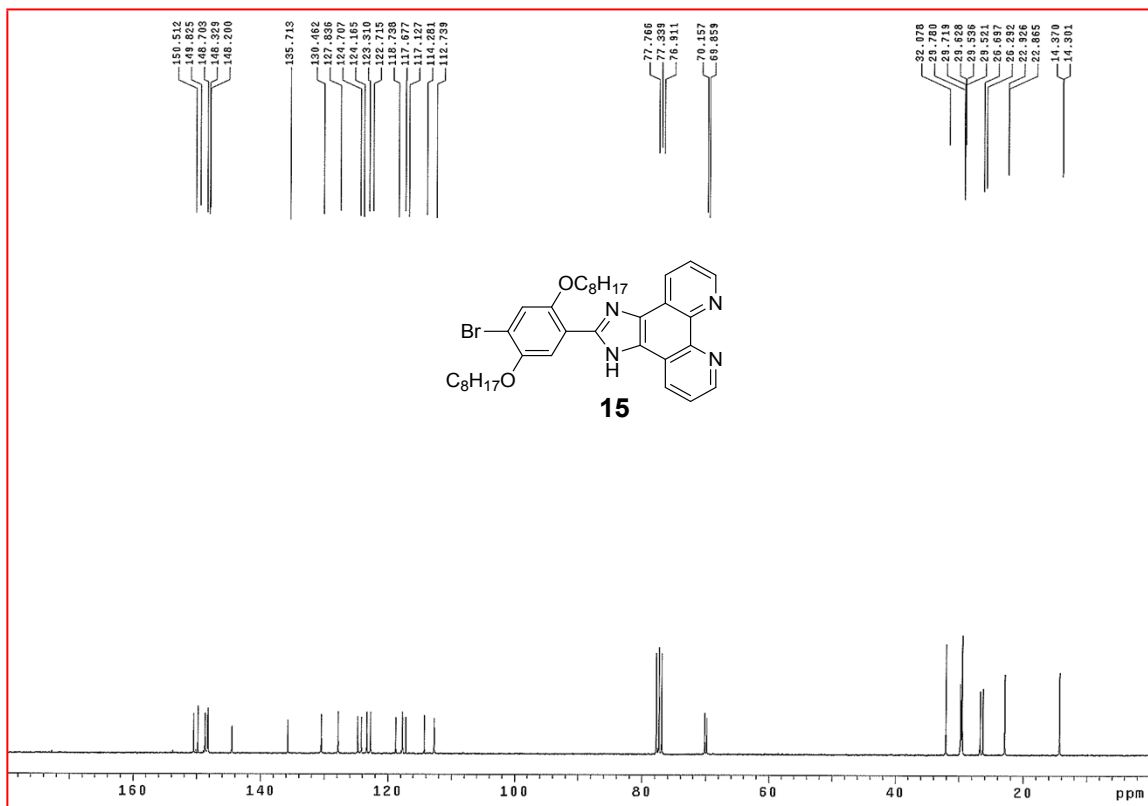


Figure S23. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 15.

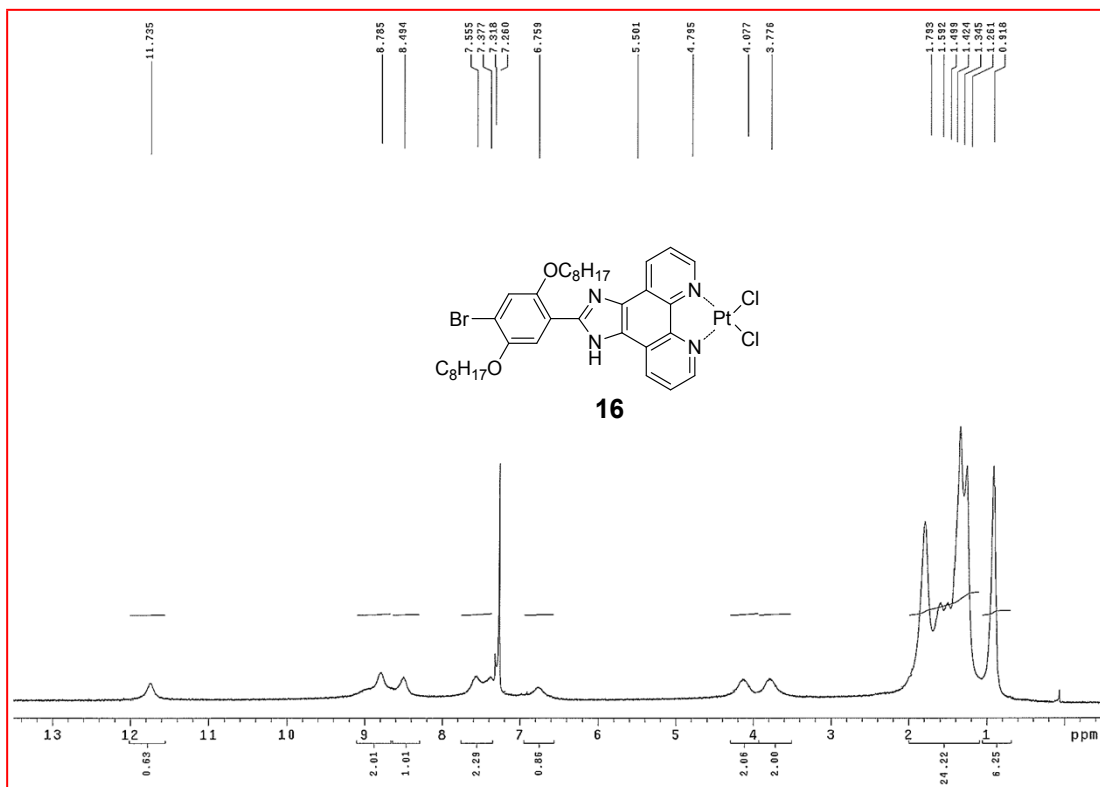


Figure S24. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 16.

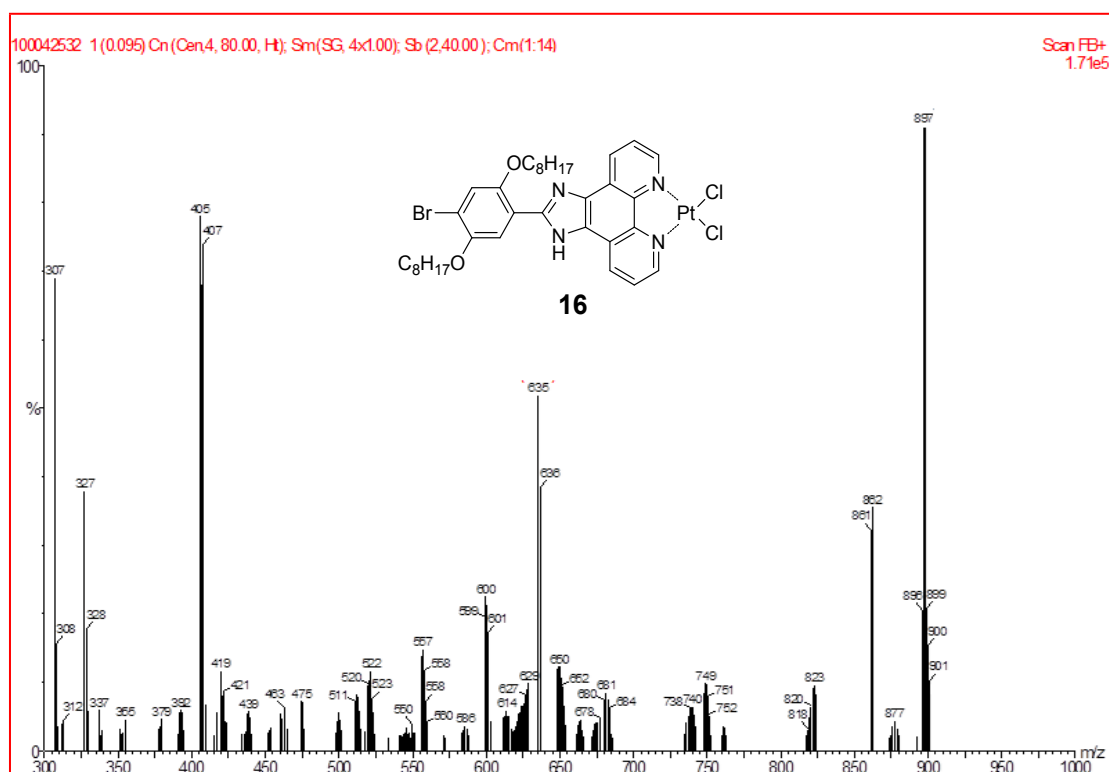


Figure S25. Mass (FAB) spectrum of compound 16.



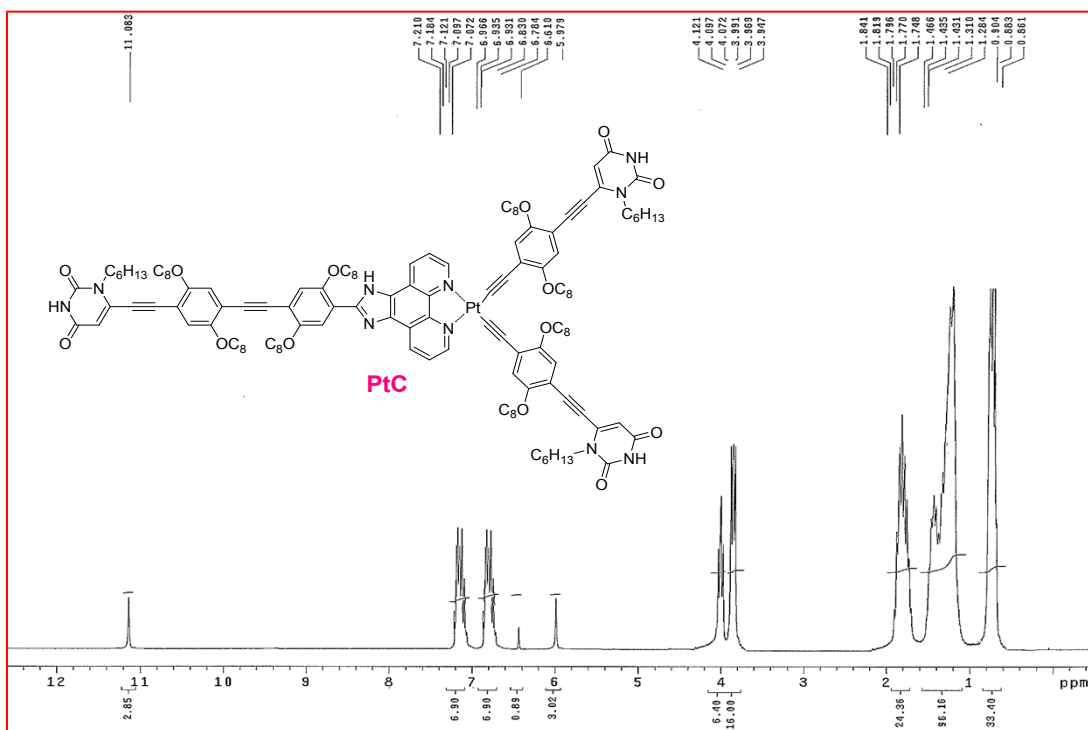


Figure S26.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PtC.

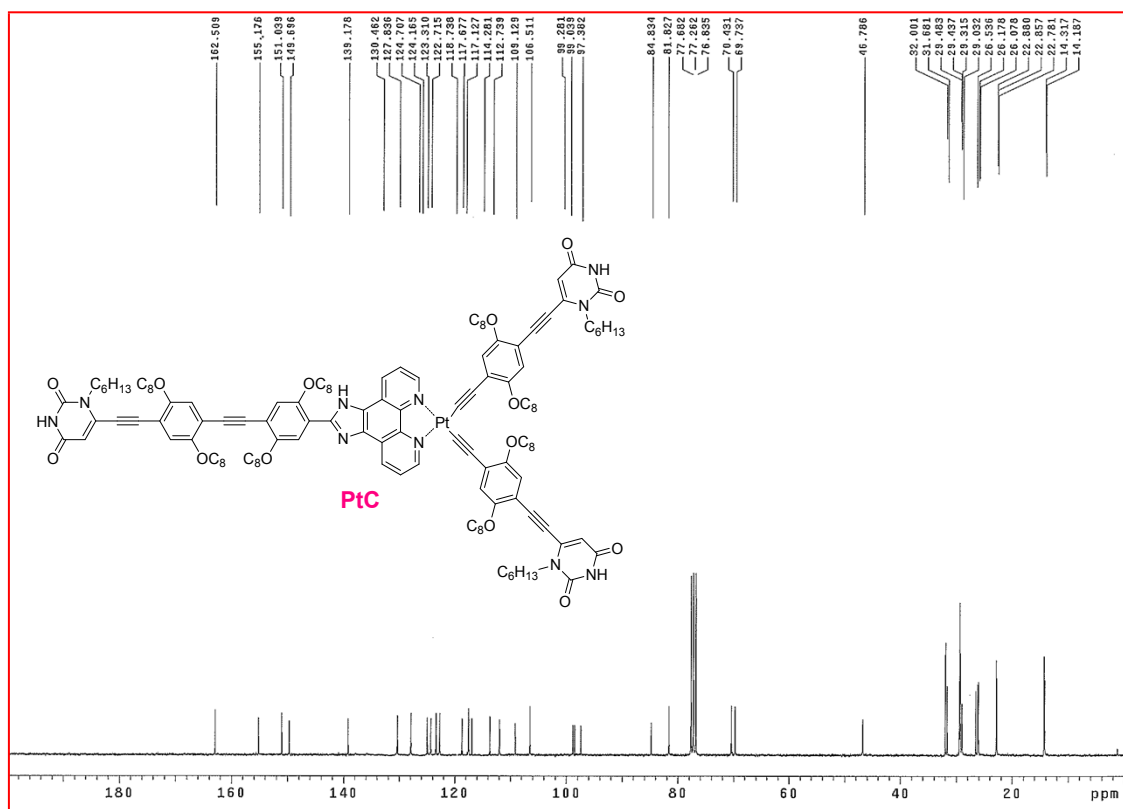


Figure S27.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PtC.