Supporting Information

Water Soluble Pentacene

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General Experimental Methods

Reactions were performed in standard glassware except where noted. The following reagents were used as purchased without further purification: zinc iodide (Aldrich), 3-thiopropanoic acid (Alfa Aesar), chloranil (Aldrich), potassium carbonate (J. T. Baker), ethanol (Pharmco-AAPER), methanol (MeOH, Pharmco-AAPER), chloroform (CHCl₃, Pharmco-AAPER), dichloromethane (DCM, Pharmco-AAPER), benzene (Sigma-Aldrich), hexanes (Pharmco-AAPER), acetone (Pharmco-AAPER), buffer solution ($K_2CO_3-K_3BO_3-KOH$, pH=10, Fisher Scientfic), dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO, Alfa Aesar). All NMR solvents including acetone- d_6 , methanol- d_4 , D₂O and acetic acid- d_4 were purchased from Cambridge Isotope Laboratories.

¹H NMR Spectra

¹H NMR spectra were obtained on a Varian Mercury Plus 400 FT-NMR operating at 399.768 MHz or a Varian INOVA 500 FT-NMR operating at 499.763 MHz. All chemical shift ($\delta_{\rm H}$) values are reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to residual solvent protons unless otherwise noted.

¹³C NMR Spectra

¹³C NMR spectra were obtained on a Varian Mercury Plus 400 FT-NMR operating at 100.522 MHz or a Varian INOVA 500 FT-NMR operating at 125.666 MHz. All chemical shift (δ_c) values are reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to residual solvent signal or K₂CO₃ (160.64 ppm in D₂O)¹ unless otherwise noted.

¹ Y. Kim, J. Choi, S. Nam, S. Jeong and Y. Yoon, *Energy Fuels*, 2012, 26, 1449.

Mass Spectrometry

Matrix assisted laser desorption ionization (MALDI-TOF-MS, S_8 as matrix) and laser desorption ionization (LDI-TOF-MS) mass spectra was acquired on a Shimadzu Kratos Axima-CFR mass spectrometer in reflectron mode. Electrospray ionization high resolution mass spectra were acquired at the Notre Dame Mass Spectrometry & Proteomics Facility in Notre Dame, Indiana.

Solid State FTIR Spectroscopy

Infrared spectra of solid samples were acquired using a Thermo Scientific spectrometer (NICOLET iS10) with diamond ATR accessory (Smart iTR).

Thermogravimetric Analysis

Thermogravimetric analysis was completed using a TA Instruments TGA Q5000 instrument. Samples weighing between 5 - 15 mg were heated from 35 °C - 550 °C with the ramp rate set to 5 °C/min.

UV-Vis Spectroscopy

UV-visible spectra were obtained on a Nicolet Evolution 300 spectrometer using 1 cm quartz cells. In order to obtain the decay profile of WSP **4** in solution with exposure to light and air, dilute solutions $(2.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M})$ of WSP **4** were prepared in aqueous buffer (pH = 10). The cells were protected from light until each experiment began, at which point an initial spectrum was recorded. The cells were placed in a tank containing water to maintain a constant temperature (25 °C) and irradiated with an overhead 15 watt, 120 volt incandescent light bulb. The solutions were repeatedly scanned at prescribed intervals until less than 5% of WSP **4** remained. Because WSP **4**

is slow to decay, water was added periodically to offset evaporation and maintain a constant

concentration.

Computational Modeling

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NOTE: All species had zero imaginary frequencies, as determined from frequency calculations at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level

Conformer A of Table 1

1\1\GINC-MILLER4\FOpt\RB3LYP\6-31G(d)\C28H20K2O4S2\JHODGSON\04-Aug-2012\0\\# rb3lyp/6-31G* opt freq=noraman\\wsp cs8s 6drb3\\0,1\C,-0.071809 4271,-1.4387966476,-1.1649616678\C,0.0718094271,1.4387966476,-1.164961 6678\S,-0.188725594,-3.22748793,-1.3008103753\S,0.188725594,3.22748793 ,-1.3008103753\C,0.510638732,-3.907097033,0.2828746749\C,-0.510638732, 3.907097033,0.2828746749\C,-0.4856960856,-4.0120005641,1.435417819\C,0 .4856960856,4.0120005641,1.435417819\C,-0.9103714609,-2.647310035,2.00 60798369\C.0.9103714609.2.647310035.2.0060798369\O.-0.0183492998.1.787 7973565,2.1773640895\O,0.0183492998,-1.7877973565,2.1773640895\H,0.871 1032472,-4.898265894,-0.0135415215\H,-0.8711032472,4.898265894,-0.0135 415215\H,0.0026979592,-4.5743605436,2.2461171371\H,-0.0026979592,4.574 3605436,2.2461171371\C,1.2647696252,0.6684781519,-1.1318132963\C,-1.26 47696252,-0.6684781519,-1.1318132963\C,1.1907294355,-0.7926078741,-1.2 057887353\C,-1.1907294355,0.7926078741,-1.2057887353\K,1.9380542274,-0 .1439072887,2.1284363722\K,-1.9380542274,0.1439072887,2.1284363722\H,1 .3714055486,-3.3026480293,0.5739900715\H,-1.3714055486,3.3026480293,0. 5739900715\H,-1.376257841,-4.5718810951,1.1378730751\H,1.376257841,4.5 718810951,1.1378730751\C,2.5464801444,1.266197119,-1.0236110559\C,-2.5 464801444,-1.266197119,-1.0236110559\C,2.4053972854,-1.5188590435,-1.2 855829552\C,-2.4053972854,1.5188590435,-1.2855829552\O,2.1251095302,2. 4628022966,2.2525113107\O,-2.1251095302,-2.4628022966,2.2525113107\H,2 .3534739048,-2.5924266897,-1.4284946962\H,-2.3534739048,2.5924266897,-1.4284946962\H.-2.60332597,-2.3419007363,-0.9112531226\H.2.60332597,2. 3419007363,-0.9112531226\C,3.7236278891,0.5275294439,-1.0407610578\C,-3.7236278891,-0.5275294439,-1.0407610578\C,3.6530509903,-0.9103688726, -1.2101049711\C,-3.6530509903,0.9103688726,-1.2101049711\C,4.87894496, -1.6547118708,-1.2779424662\C,-4.87894496,1.6547118708,-1.2779424662\H ,4.8247911972,-2.7310235019,-1.4232869545\H,-4.8247911972,2.7310235019 .-1.4232869545\C,5.0142281902,1.1440232939.-0.9122620482\C,-5.01422819 02,-1.1440232939,-0.9122620482\H,-5.0599070777,-2.220755974,-0.7713435 944\H,5.0599070777,2.220755974,-0.7713435944\C,6.1549276046,0.39432099

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Conformer B of Table 1

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Conformer C of Table 1

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Conformer D of Table 1

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Conformer E of Table 1

1\1\GINC-MILLER4\FOpt\RB3LYP\6-31G(d)\C28H20K2O4S2\JHODGSON\16-Aug-2012\0\\# rb3lyp/6-31G* opt freq=noraman\\wsp_cs5s_6drb3\\0,1\C,0.7339142 084,-3.6473191261,-0.5680508722\C,-0.7339142084,3.6473191261,0.5680508 722\C,-0.1873560858,-3.7194513794,0.5466830289\C,0.1873560858,3.719451 3794,-0.5466830289\C,-0.5329109522,-5.0108008067,1.0698492974\C,0.5329 109522,5.0108008067,-1.0698492974\C,-0.0081368719,-6.1497653089,0.5281 824277\C,0.0081368719,6.1497653089,-0.5281824277\C,0.900068357,-6.0783 763542,-0.578201277\C,-0.900068357,6.0783763542,0.578201277\C,0.568954 1284.-1.1907905419.-0.5543114945\C.-0.5689541284.1.1907905419.0.554311 4945\C,-0.381255159,-1.2649275783,0.5558393385\C,0.381255159,1.2649275 783,-0.5558393385\C,-0.7158750675,-2.5452683985,1.0638396055\C,0.71587 50675,2.5452683985,-1.0638396055\C,-0.9426266487,-0.0725073416,1.08020 66513\C,0.9426266487,0.0725073416,-1.0802066513\C,1.256492225,-4.87046 65281,-1.1075080269\C,-1.256492225,4.8704665281,1.1075080269\C,1.07719 57952,-2.4040563329,-1.0804032722\C,-1.0771957952,2.4040563329,1.08040 32722\S,2.099554531,0.1627157476,-2.4578975536\S,-2.099554531,-0.16271 57476,2.4578975536\C,3.7204816978,-0.2080012342,-1.6362725972\C,-3.720 4816978,0.2080012342,1.6362725972\C,4.2384099352,0.8989128862,-0.72571 13608\C,-4.2384099352,-0.8989128862,0.7257113608\C,5.580695612,0.55459 72471,-0.0523125163\C,-5.580695612,-0.5545972471,0.0523125163\0,-6.101 9915388,-1.4578916632,-0.6669259154\0,6.1019915388,1.4578916632,0.6669 259154\0,-6.0680248915,0.6013058097,0.2476071554\0,6.0680248915,-0.601 3058097,-0.2476071554\K,7.9529257955,-0.1054417326,1.3602933558\K,-7.9 529257955.0.1054417326.-1.3602933558\H.3.6355892435.-1.1510093113.-1.0 929765556\H,-3.6355892435,1.1510093113,1.0929765556\H,4.4073102355,-0. 3784125767,-2.4711701339\H,-4.4073102355,0.3784125767,2.4711701339\H,4 .3651642133,1.8371231257,-1.2783700461\H,-4.3651642133,-1.8371231257,1 .2783700461\H,1.7455426769,-2.3536813529,-1.9324861468\H,-1.7455426769 ,2.3536813529,1.9324861468\H,1.4179440134,2.6006356267,-1.8875079202\H ,-1.4179440134,-2.6006356267,1.8875079202\H,3.515653182,1.1150604552,0 .0703448425\H,-3.515653182,-1.1150604552,-0.0703448425\H,1.9453782379, -4.8123610181,-1.9469197598\H,-1.9453782379,4.8123610181,1.9469197598\ H,1.2245132927,5.0603442201,-1.9074848914\H,-1.2245132927,-5.060344220 1,1.9074848914\H,1.3035855308,-6.9978986611,-0.9941028876\H,-1.3035855 308,6.9978986611,0.9941028876\H,0.2776664482,7.1220761884,-0.932139189 9\H,-0.2776664482,-7.1220761884,0.9321391899\\Version=AM64L-G03RevE.01 \State=1-AG\HF=-3376.2829138\RMSD=6.758e-09\RMSF=4.974e-06\Thermal=0.\ Dipole=0.,0.,0.\PG=CI [X(C28H20K2O4S2)]\\@

Conformer F of Table 1

1\1\GINC-MILLER1\FOpt\RB3LYP\6-31G(d)\C28H20K204S2\JHODGSON\16-Aug-2012\0\\# rb3lyp/6-31G* opt freq=noraman\\wsp_cs4s_6drb3\\0,1\C,0.4487984 334,2.8184083697,-0.0193093148\C,-0.4487984334,-2.8184083697,0.0193093 148\C,0.1919738501,1.4238476634,-0.0141144114\C,-0.1919738501,-1.42384 76634,0.0141144114\C,1.9878219237,4.7587194646,-0.0557315938\C,-1.9878 219237,-4.7587194646,0.0557315938\C,1.732721176,3.3460664837,-0.043751 7544\C,-1.732721176,-3.3460664837,0.0437517544\C,1.1225277841,-0.88924 48132,0.0118580829\C,-1.1225277841,0.8892448132,-0.0118580829\C,-1.338 2012076,-0.5122787204,0.0052283674\C,1.3382012076,0.5122787204,-0.0052 283674\C,2.8625628254,2.4427480131,-0.064989553\C,-2.8625628254,-2.442 7480131,0.064989553\C,2.6377023163,1.073429229,-0.0280128554\C,-2.6377 023163,-1.073429229,0.0280128554\C,3.2675331413,5.2356082673,-0.102019 2819\C,-3.2675331413,-5.2356082673,0.1020192819\C,-3.1319475766,2.2504 45355,1.6103366841\C,3.1319475766,-2.250445355,-1.6103366841\C,4.19118 55243,2.9844439713,-0.1327721645\C,-4.1911855243,-2.9844439713,0.13277 21645\C,4.3840018233,4.3371379796,-0.1494922041\C,-4.3840018233,-4.337 1379796,0.1494922041\C,-4.285418208,1.3275580261,2.0199219412\C,4.2854 18208,-1.3275580261,-2.0199219412\C,-5.3691003606,1.3401391739,0.92560 33253\C,5.3691003606,-1.3401391739,-0.9256033253\S,-2.5169007778,2.026 5216171,-0.1396378728\S,2.5169007778,-2.0265216171,0.1396378728\0,5.75 78291457,-2.4786992085,-0.5345643575\0,-5.7578291457,2.4786992085,0.53 45643575\0,5.7027966158,-0.2332835111,-0.4020121435\0,-5.7027966158,0. 2332835111.0.4020121435\K.-5.6952607026.1.5072600803.-1.8247798944\K.5 .6952607026,-1.5072600803,1.8247798944\H,-0.3973182263,3.4955723336,-0 .014022946\H.0.3973182263,-3.4955723336.0.014022946\H.1.1403494804.5.4 398862785,-0.0318529921\H,-1.1403494804,-5.4398862785,0.0318529921\H,-2.264887182,2.160467638,2.2700456789\H,2.264887182,-2.160467638,-2.270 0456789\H,-3.4795643709,3.2857922984,1.6186514113\H,3.4795643709,-3.28 57922984,-1.6186514113\H.-4.7066959116,1.718310483,2.9564502189\H.4.70 66959116,-1.718310483,-2.9564502189\H,-3.5020033416,-0.4216820846,0.03 63864575\H,3.5020033416,0.4216820846,-0.0363864575\H,-3.9437717299,0.3 059911357,2201232021\H,3.9437717299,-0.3059911357,-2.201232021\H,-5.0 209973441,-2.2845338421,0.1974342078\H,5.0209973441,2.2845338421,-0.19 74342078\H,3.4489399808,6.3073092776,-0.1128825991\H,-3.4489399808,-6. 3073092776,0.1128825991\H,-5.389664268,-4.7453307365,0.2082119543\H,5. 389664268,4.7453307365,-0.2082119543\\Version=AM64L-G03RevE.01\State=1 -AG\HF=-3376.290142\RMSD=5.119e-09\RMSF=7.834e-06\Thermal=0.\Dipole=0. ,0.,0.\PG=CI [X(C28H20K2O4S2)]\\@

Two molecule stack of conformer B (c.f. Fig. 6 (a))

$$\label{eq:solution} \begin{split} &1\label{eq:solution} 1\label{eq:solution} 1\lab$$

05677\C.3.8937266928.-5.3960890699.-0.2537379373\C.3.9669787025.-5.406 4035856,1.1779252986\C,3.892393814,-4.2423564536,1.8919163944\S,3.3951 710562,0.6857802988,3.7684958859\C,1.7520664105,-0.0423805694,4.248584 6806\C,0.5421947781,0.8707884631,4.0673438979\C,0.112936231,1.08683781 79,2.6022867802\O,-0.2789336278,2.2312915153,2.2737431714\S,3.32446723 53,0.7299836508,-2.7063818725\C,4.9634741564,1.5020980788,-3.146329613 9\O,0.1747540611,0.0749227829,1.8270484652\K,0.2420643989,-1.983528199 1,0.3288649277\O,0.3561848642,-2.4334616284,-2.2709235468\C,-0.0538914 604.-1.2932017685,-2.592359438\0,-0.0928274189,-0.2753463393,-1.824698 3081\C,-0.5509823965,-1.0933072481,-4.0377729101\C,-1.7684181281,-0.18 22613507,-4.1607726159\S,-3.3576130591,-0.8999961032,-3.5048313959\C,-3.2831080145,-0.6871061533,-1.7196871332\C,-3.4375397029,0.6047008276, 3,-0.4014354423,1.1302324664\C,-3.2268740292,-1.6775776262,0.566253790 2\C,-3.1373833004,-1.8276191299,-0.8857841439\C,-3.5421307873,1.780425 4656,-1.9413382078\C,-3.6566940755,3.0546002812,-1.3887745785\C,-3.686 9211133,3.1963998331,0.0525493984\C,-3.635590102,2.0556069706,0.843572 4746\C,-3.736290848,4.2402929466,-2.1941957091\C,-3.8325721801,5.47382 62278,-1.6121167387\C,-3.8555033422,5.6140253767,-0.1863839867\C,-3.78 47103911,4.5117562772,0.6178002054\C,-3.0309140667,-2.8236186667,1.375 1805971\C,-2.7606201479,-4.0797667512,0.8440055527\C,-2.6855003125,-4. 2310633745,-0.5950047855\C,-2.8758264759,-3.1187379034,-1.4061182858\C .-2.5403874267.-5.2333400662.1.6703865696\C.-2.2656585299.-6.450045059 5,1.1121656716\C,-2.1865736331,-6.5985714197,-0.3111051024\C,-2.388319 6172,-5.5273791848,-1.1348399809\\$,-3.7398118183,-0.2338744968,2.90066 37618\C,-5.4476237872,-0.9415120092,3.1213074711\C,-6.5921560982,-0.04 51106088,2.6545174237\C,-6.7726095947,-0.0119553255,1.1213625268\Q,-7. 1719276888,1.0690059204,0.6042314109\O,-6.5115644026,-1.0829257264,0.4 933737377\K,-6.5240176768,0.1976179543,-1.7321285659\K,-0.211587317,1. 7902528609,-0.3232415021\H,-2.0084850365,0.0168544444,-5.2111915195\H, 0.2704704324,-0.6226309336,-4.5993359879\H,-1.5827382498,0.7685857307, $-3.6588748551 \ H, -0.7382351024, -2.0698094052, -4.4927922481 \ H, -3.5186416$ 543,1.6847553463,-3.0212789061\H,-3.0752737455,-2.7019530867,2.4519231 526\H,-2.7846272152,-3.2331030765,-2.4791115509\H,-3.6770175319,2.1606 095275,1.9205179648\H,-3.7164885661,4.136953569,-3.2768964033\H,-2.605 0929296,-5.1173379233,2.7497932982\H,-2.3243669301,-5.6347115012,-2.21 44631075\H.-3.8009320395,4.6071247589,1.7000356646\H.-3.8931115427,6.3 638660175.-2.2328058982\H.-2.1081583992.-7.3184947871.1.746067011\H.-1 .9645436683,-7.5758006068,-0.7308959884\H,-3.9321307166,6.6061350726,0 .2489485863\H.-5.4947681988.-1.9023125233.2.6045342431\H.-5.4907492425 ,-1.1140169124,4.2025323051\H,-7.5237233274,-0.4544038,3.0752287374\H, 6.4900427101.0.9752144802.3.0349718905\H.2.9578948535.3.1827384968.-1 .9300868572\H,3.7086098182,-1.7766008572,2.9924156572\H,3.5239590478,-1.7481513199.-1.9735110905\H.3.065950217.3.1511773634.3.0351105733\H.2 .6215762699,5.6314312049,-1.9203408289\H,3.9410294871,-4.2516038104,2. 9786354076\H.3.6927710651,-4.1998582262,-2.0167106016\H.2.7543548755,5 $.5914642152, 3.0766279494 \label{eq:heat} 1.5914642152, 3.0766279494 \label{eq:heat} 1.5914642152, 3.0766279494 \label{eq:heat} 1.5914642152, 3.0766279494 \label{eq:heat} 1.5914642152, 3.0766279494 \label{eq:heat} 1.5954505225 \label{eq:heat} 1.6959485613 \label{eq:heat} 1.5954505225 \label{eq:heat} 1.5954505225 \label{eq:heat} 1.5954505225 \label{eq:heat} 1.5954505225 \label{eq:heat} 1.597407062 \label{eq:heat} 1.59746762 \label{eq:heat} 1.597407062 \label{eq:heat} 1.5974070$

Two molecule stack of conformer E (c.f. Fig. 6 (b))

1\1\GINC-MILLER4\FOpt\RB3LYP\6-31G(d)\C56H40K4O8S4\JHODGSON\11-Aug-2012\0\\# rb3lyp/6-31G* opt\\dimolwsp_cs2cc_6drb3\\0,1\C,-0.1032428717,1. 4679680396,4.3907837252\C,-0.6413361936,0.6771061322,3.3207169043\C,-1 .3511014107,1.3462413076,2.2492306437\C,-1.4963250657,2.7755159685,2.3 04188968\C,-0.9694874264,3.4846249372,3.3476866328\C,-0.2612102378,2.8 246227774,4.4036220908\C,-0.5119789452,-0.7040769544,3.2886742004\C,-1 .0687869268,-1.5022043437,2.2599018881\C,-1.7846929133,-0.8297281634,1 .1739271548\C,-1.878822973,0.5850978985,1.2130296388\C,-2.363797601,-1 .60473703,0.1364786238\C,-2.3277016155,-3.0222060992,0.1867570047\C,-1 .6315723809,-3.6919336937,1.2852940595\C,-0.9605342957,-2.9164270723,2 .2644377566\C,-2.9403031552,-3.829293369,-0.8033859558\C,-2.9396814058 -5.2160695747.-0.7485838197\C.-2.2769406016.-5.8779432117.0.355736602 6\C,-1.6422084268,-5.108723426,1.3204403801\C,-2.2909317493,-7.3124697 378,0.4051193866\C,-2.9105803143,-8.0421403508,-0.569555359\C,-3.56183 19966,-7.3871853936,-1.6654272976\C,-3.5745408492,-6.0237050397,-1.751 0719438\\$,0.037520723,-3.7291488638,3.5282977543\C,1.7373915681,-3.554 0899702,2.7899781902\C,1.9694556684,-4.4424175545,1.573544037\C,3.3473 746564,-4.2604739567,0.9057164118\0,4.269266466,-3.6820764148,1.553032 748\S.-3.0590204525.-0.7929317422.-1.3134779644\C.-4.8783694714.-0.797 8602613,-0.9722253136\C,-5.3420226303,0.4192257608,-0.1765724707\C,-6. 8592440854,0.4890693081,0.0378348833\0,-7.3171244572,1.5481958264,0.60 70429743\0,3.4517142208,-4.7188960681,-0.2737580792\0,-7.5768837711,-0 .475455623,-0.3337800218\K,5.8015291841,-3.7234016971,-0.568542834\K,-9.6980548291.0.5499705862.0.5377022618\H.1.8955940374.-2.4989053594.2. 5521356207\H,-5.1467391537,-1.7330370718,-0.4762593374\H,2.4206984909, -3.8120637757.3.6040947771\H.-5.352016275.-0.8051285601.-1.9586138251\ H,1.8721918674,-5.4998970178,1.8537927059\H,-5.0102926948,1.3327343121 .-0.6880091501\H.0.0101058446.-1.2039611091.4.0966685066\H.-3.41915861 24,-3.337602833,-1.6423076128\H,-1.1324820939,-5.6018430059,2.14009447 98\H.-2.3890250192.1.0887794399.0.3998798201\H.1.2062994309.-4.2625174

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syn-3,3'-((6,13-dihydropentacene-6,13-diyl)bis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoic acid (2) ¹H NMR (Methanol- d_4)



syn-3,3'-((6,13-dihydropentacene-6,13-diyl)bis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoic acid (2) ¹³C NMR (Methanol- d_4)



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3,3'-(Pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoic acid (3)



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- 3,3'-(Pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoic acid (3)
- ¹³C NMR (Acetic Acid- d_4) at 80 °C



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3,3'-(Pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoic acid (3)

LDI MS



















Anhydride of 3,3'-(Pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoic acid (3)





Potassium 3,3'-(pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoate (**4**) ¹H NMR (D₂O)



Potassium 3,3'-(pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoate (4)

¹H NMR (Methanol- d_4)



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Potassium 3,3'-(pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoate (**4**) ¹³C NMR (D_2O with K_2CO_3)



Potassium 3,3'-(pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoate (4) 13 C NMR (D₂O)



Potassium 3,3'-(pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoate (4) ¹³C NMR (D₂O) 35.5 f1 (ppm) 38.5 38.0 37.5 37.0 36.5 36.0 35.0 34.5 34.0 33.5 33.0 32.5 KOOC S S COOK mon man www mmmmmm 128.0 f1 (ppm) 131.5 131.0 130.5 130.0 129.5 129.0 127.5 127.0 126.5 126.0 125.5 125.0 124.5 128.5 12





Potassium 3,3'-(pentacene-6,13-diylbis(sulfanediyl))dipropanoate (4)

MALDI MS (matrix: sulfur)

















Melting point apparatus calibration



| Melting | point | apparatus | calibration |
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| NO. | Chemical | | M.P. on bottle /°C | M.P. measured/°C |
|-----|----------------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 2,2'-Biquinoline | crystal | 193 | 190 |
| 2 | 4-hydroxyquinoline | powder | 201 | 201 |
| 3 | m-hydroxybenzoic acid | crystal | 203 | 203 |
| 4 | p-hydroxybenzoic acid | powder | 214 | 210 |
| 5 | 4,4'-sulfonyl diphenol | crystal | 225 | 224 |
| 6 | dicyanobenzene | powder | 244 | 246 |
| 7 | tetra bromo hydroquinone | crystal | 253 | 253 |
| 8 | triptycene | powder | 254 | 254 |
| 9 | 4-quinolin carboxylic acid | powder | 254 | 256 |
| 10 | pentaerythritol | crystal | 257 | 256 |
| 11 | 4-iodobenzoic acid | powder | 273 | 274 |
| 12 | 3-quinolin carboxylic acid | powder | 278 | 283 |
| 13 | tetraphenylmethane | crystal | 281 | 284 |

| NO. | Name | M.P. measured /°C | M.P. calibrated /°C |
|-----|--|-------------------|---------------------|
| 3 | 3,3'-[(6,13-pentacenediyl) bis(sulfanediyl)]dipropanoic acid | 235 | 235 |
| 4 | Potassium 3,3'-[(pentacene-6,13- diyl)bis(sulfanediyl)]dipropanoate | 278 | 276 |