

N-Fused Quinoxalines and Benzoquinoxalines as Attractive Emitters for Organic Light Emitting Diodes

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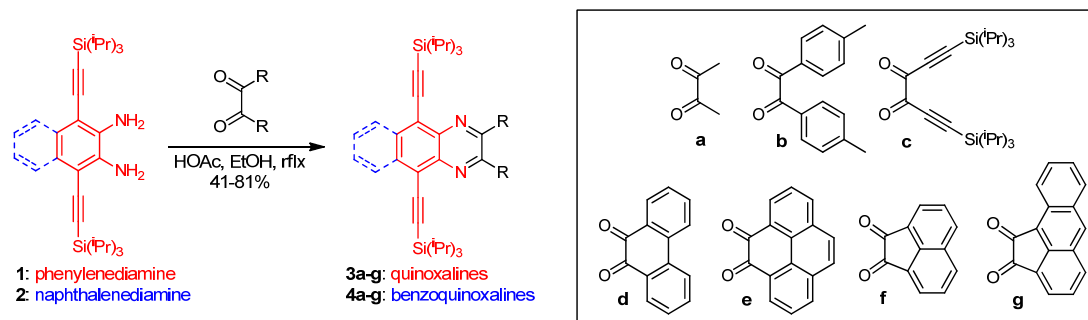
1. GENERAL METHODS

All reagents and solvents were obtained from Fisher Scientific, ABCR, Alfa Aesar, Sigma-Aldrich or VWR and were used without further purification unless otherwise noted. All of the other absolute solvents were dried by a MB SPS-800 using drying columns. Preparation of air- and moisture-sensitive materials was carried out in oven dried flasks under an atmosphere of nitrogen using Schlenk-techniques. For thin layer chromatography Polygram Sil G/UV 254 plates from Macherey, Nagel & Co. KG, Düren (Germany) were used and examined under UV-light irradiation (254 nm and 365 nm). Flash column chromatography was performed on silica gel from Macherey, Nagel & Co. KG, Düren (Germany) (particle size: 0.04-0.063 mm). Melting points were determined with a Melting Point Apparatus MEL-TEMP (Electrothermal, Rochford, UK) and are uncorrected. ^1H -NMR and ^{13}C -NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 300 (300 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to traces of CHCl_3 in the corresponding deuterated solvent.¹ MS spectra were recorded on a Vakuum Generators ZAB-2F, Finnigan MAT TSQ 700 or JEOL JMS-700 spectrometer. Crystal structure analysis was accomplished on Bruker Smart CCD or Bruker APEX diffractometers. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Jasco FT/IR-4100 spectrometer. Absorption spectra were recorded on a Jasco UV-VIS V-660 or Jasco UV-VIS V-670. Emission spectra were recorded on a Jasco FP-6500. Elemental Analysis was performed by the Microanalytical Laboratory of the University of Heidelberg using an Elementar Vario EL machine. Computational studies were carried out using DFT calculations on Spartan '10. Geometry optimization was found by B3LYP functional and 6-311+G** basis set. Using this geometry the absolute energy and FMO energies were assigned on frequency analysis by employing B3LYP/6-311+G**. Cyclic voltammetry was performed with a VERSASTAT3-200 potentiostat (Princeton Applied Research) using a glassy carbon working electrode, a 0.1 mol/l NBu_4PF_6 solution in THF as solvent and ferrocene/ferrocenium as reference redox system and internal standard. Nomenclature of all new compounds described in the supporting information was determined according to IUPAC-rules.

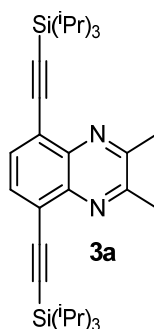
¹ G. R. Fulmer, A. J. M. Miller, N. H. Sherden, H. E. Gottlieb, A. Nudelman, B. M. Stoltz, J. E. Bercaw, K. I. Goldberg, *Organometallics* **2010**, 29,2176.

2. SYNTHESIS AND ANALYTICAL DATA

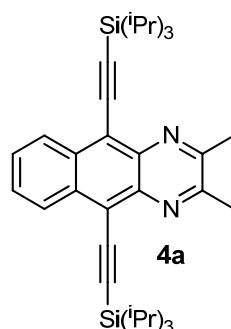
General procedure (GP)



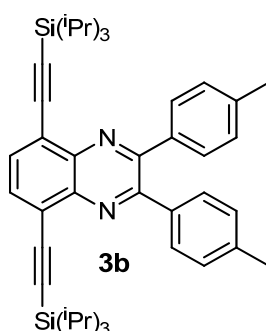
To a solution of the TIPS substituted benzo- or naphthodiamin in EtOH (3.5 mL per 100 mg diamin) and acetic acid (1.5 mL per 100 mg diamin) was added the corresponding dione. The mixture was stirred over night under reflux. After cooling down to room temperature water was added to the reaction-mixture and was extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography furnished the designated products.



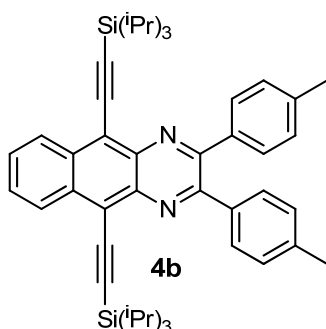
2,3-dimethyl-5,8-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]quinoxaline (3a): Starting from 3,6-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzene-1,2-diamine **1** (0.200 g, 0.427 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and biacetyl **a** (0.044 g, 0.512 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a slightly yellow solid (0.179 g, 81 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 2/1, v/v). m.p. = 81 °C ; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.74 (s, 2H), 2.72 (s, 6H), 1.21 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.20, 141.79, 132.14, 123.23, 103.76, 99.17, 23.18, 18.78, 11.49; IR (cm⁻¹) 3165, 2939, 2923, 2891, 2864, 2149, 1673, 1573, 1463, 1454, 1445, 1395, 1365, 1329, 1321, 1257, 1203, 1180, 1073, 1016; accurate mass for C₃₂H₅₀N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 518.3517 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 518.3513.



2,3-dimethyl-5,10-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzo[g]quinoxaline (4a): Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.200 g, 0.386 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and biacetyl **a** (0.040 g, 0.462 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a yellow solid (0.195 g, 89 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 5/1, v/v). m.p.= 164 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.65 (m, 2H), 7.62 (m, 2H), 2.75 (s, 6H), 1.25 (m, 42H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 155.33, 140.17, 133.94, 127.63, 120.07, 106.16, 102.69, 100.12, 23.89, 19.15, 11.81; IR (cm^{-1}) 2909, 2849, 2710, 2605, 2555, 2453, 2376, 2189, 2131, 1969, 1917, 1821, 1726, 1579, 1503, 1456, 1364, 1227, 1174, 1039; accurate mass for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2$: m/z = 568.36604 $[\text{M}^+]$, calc. m/z = 568.37520; calcd. for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2$: C 75.99, H 9.21, N 4.92, found: C 75.99, H 8.98, N 4.86.

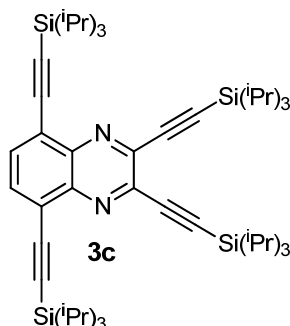


2,3-bis(4-methylphenyl)-5,8-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]quinoxaline (3b): Starting from 3,6-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzene-1,2-diamine **1** (0.285 g, 0.608 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 1,2-di-*p*-tolylethane-1,2-dione **b** (0.174 g, 0.729 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a yellow solid (0.310g, 76 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 3/1, v/v). m.p. = 130 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.82 (s, 2H), 7.64 (d, 4H), 7.13 (d, 4H), 2.40 (s, 6H), 1.23 (m, 42H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 152.90, 141.14, 139.11, 136.09, 133.13, 130.33, 128.68, 123.66, 103.57, 99.46, 21.43, 18.86, 11.50; IR (cm^{-1}) 3055, 3029, 2956, 2939, 2924, 2889, 2862, 2158, 1901, 1790, 1687, 1612, 1462, 1443, 1380, 1329, 1305, 1225, 1211, 1182, 1154, 1062; accurate mass for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{58}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2$: m/z = 670.4131, $[\text{M}^+]$, calc. m/z = 670.4139.



2,3-bis(4-methylphenyl)-5,10-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzo[g]quinoxaline (4b):

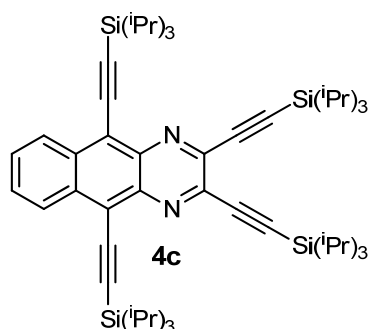
Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.200 g, 0.385 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 1,2-di-*p*-tolylethane-1,2-dione **b** (0.110 g, 0.462 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a yellow solid (0.261 g, 94 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 6/1, v/v). (0.110 g, 41%). m.p.= 212 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.68 (m, 2H), 7.64 (m, 6H), 7.11 (d, 4H), 2.38 (s, 6H), 1.26 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 153.78, 139.58, 139.33, 136.38, 134.71, 130.57, 128.86, 127.83, 127.67, 120.45, 106.58, 102.62, 21.68, 19.18, 11.78; IR (cm⁻¹) 2913, 2849, 2712, 2613, 2557, 2442, 2349, 2133, 1906, 1898, 1812, 1715, 1605, 1529, 1453, 1381, 1341; accurate mass for C₄₈H₆₀N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 720.42485 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 720.43780; calcd. for C₄₈H₆₀N₂Si₂: C 79.94, H 8.39, 3.88, found: C 79.94, H 8.15, N 3.71.



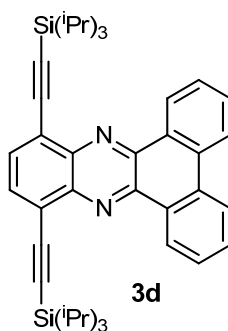
2,3,5,8-tetrakis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]quinoxaline (3c):

Starting from 3,6-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzene-1,2-diamine **1** (0.150 g, 0.320 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 1,6-bis(triisopropylsilyl)hexa-1,5-diyne-3,4-dione **c**² (0.174 g, 0.416 mmol, 1.3 equiv.) according to **GP** a yellow solid (0.128 g, 47 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 3/1, v/v). m.p.= 145 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.81 (s, 2H), 1.21 (m, 84H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 140.95, 140.38, 134.18, 123.44, 103.62, 102.88, 100.53, 99.13, 18.77, 11.40; IR (cm⁻¹) 2941, 2927, 2889, 2864, 2756, 2724, 2153, 1561, 1462, 1383, 1366, 1318, 1193, 1164, 1073, 1017; accurate mass for C₅₂H₈₆N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 850.5864 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 850.5868.

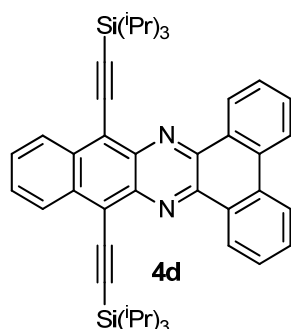
² R. Faust, C. Weber, V. Fiandanese, G. Marchese, A. Punzi, *Tetrahedron* **1997**, 53, 14655-14670.



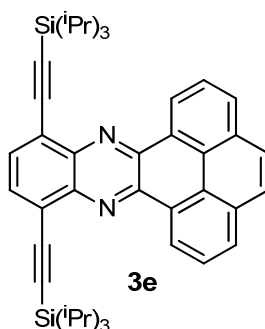
2,3,5,10-tetrakis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzo[g]quinoxaline (4c): Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.200 g, 0.385 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 1,6-bis(triisopropylsilyl)hexa-1,5-diyne-3,4-dione **c²** (0.193 g, 0.501 mmol, 1.3 equiv.) according to **GP** a orange solid (0.188 g, 54 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 8/1, v/v). m.p. = 206 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.60 (m, 2H), 7.64 (m, 2H), 1.23 (m, 42H), 1.17 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 140.63, 138.74, 135.05, 128.46, 127.93, 120.47, 107.81, 104.21, 102.02, 99.67, 19.13, 19.03, 11.72, 11.67; IR (cm⁻¹) 3063, 2941, 2923, 2864, 2757, 2724, 2164, 2137, 1514, 1462, 1384, 1329, 1271, 1213, 1166, 1017; accurate mass for C₅₆H₈₈N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 900.603 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 900.609; calcd. for C₅₆H₈₈N₂Si₄: C 74.60, H 9.84, N 3.11, found: C 76.61, H 9.62, N 3.00.



10,13-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]dibenzo[a,c]phenazine (3d): Starting from 3,6-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzene-1,2-diamine **1** (0.200 g, 0.427 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and phenanthrene-9,10-dione **d** (0.107 g, 0.512 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a yellow solid (0.252 g, 92 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 1/1, v/v). m.p.= 108 °C ; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.49 (d, 2H), 8.48 (d, 2H), 7.94 (s, 2H), 7.74 (t, 2H), 7.65 (t, 2H), 1.27 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.81, 142.48, 133.74, 132.50, 130.79, 130.40, 127.91, 127.18, 124.33, 123.01, 104.04, 99.85, 19.08, 11.92; IR (cm⁻¹) 3071, 2923, 2918, 2889, 2862, 2148, 1604, 1562, 1493, 1462, 1372, 1365, 1351, 1269, 1259, 1221, 1166, 1148, 1111, 1088, 1064; accurate mass for C₄₂H₅₂N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 640.3681 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 640.3669.

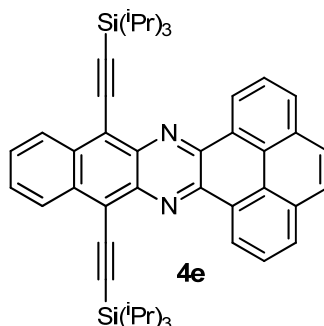


10,13-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]dibenzo[a,c]phenazine (4d): Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.200 g, 0.385 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and phenanthrene-9,10-dione **d** (0.096 g, 0.463 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a red solid (0.261 g, 98 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 3/1, v/v). m.p.= 179 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.74 (m, 2H), 8.37 (m, 2H), 8.10 (d, 2H), 7.84 (t, 2H), 7.67 (m, 4H), 1.24 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.76, 140.13, 134.81, 132.59, 130.99, 130.44, 127.85, 127.76, 127.54, 127.31, 122.94, 120.55, 106.77, 102.83, 18.97, 11.67; IR (cm⁻¹) 2351, 2214, 2136, 1985, 1391, 1192, 1160, 1069, 1049; accurate mass for C₄₆H₅₄N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 690.37776 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 690.38256.



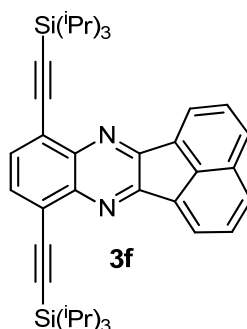
10,13-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]phenanthro[4,5-*abc*]phenazine (3e): Starting from 3,6-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzene-1,2-diamine **1** (0.100 g, 0.213 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and pyren-4,5-dione **e**³ (0.59 g, 0.256 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a orange solid (0.065 g, 46 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 4/1, v/v). m.p.= 198 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.47 (d, 2H), 8.13 (d, 2H), 7.98 (s, 2H), 7.92 (t, 2H), 7.78 (s, 2H), 1.34 (s, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.26, 142.40, 133.59, 131.15, 129.40, 129.17, 126.89, 126.59, 126.05, 124.59, 124.19, 103.99, 99.57, 18.98, 11.68; IR (cm⁻¹) 2955, 2938, 2923, 2889, 2862, 2148, 1624, 1483, 1461, 1371, 1352, 1335, 1308, 1251, 1152, 1113, 1084, 1066, 1041, 1017; accurate mass for C₄₄H₅₂N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 664.3644 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 664.3669.

³ J. Hu, D. Zhang, F. W. Harris, *J. Org. Chem.* **2005**, *70*, 707-708.

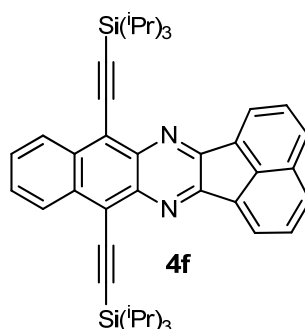


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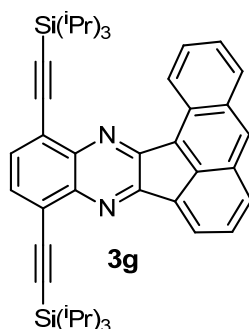
Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.100 g, 0.193 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and pyren-4,5-dione **e**³ (0.054 g, 0.231 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a red solid (0.068 g, 49 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 8/1, v/v). m.p. = 265 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.66 (d, 2H), 8.82 (m, 2H), 8.19 (d, 2H), 7.96 (t, 2H), 7.88 (s, 2H), 7.71 (m, 2H), 1.38 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.45, 140.27, 134.86, 131.27, 129.92, 129.43, 127.78, 127.60, 126.90, 126.70, 126.31, 125.08, 120.59, 106.71, 102.96, 19.06, 11.76; IR (cm⁻¹) 3060, 2939, 2923, 2889, 2862, 2130, 1623, 1493, 1462, 1383, 1353, 1315, 1229, 1125, 1045; accurate mass for C₄₈H₅₄N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 714.3824 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 714.3826.



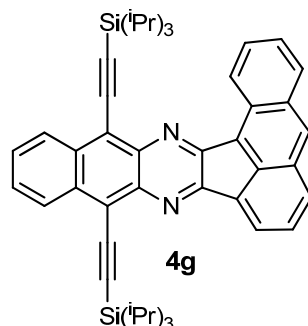
8,11-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]acenaphtho[1,2-b]quinoxaline (3f): Starting from 3,6-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzene-1,2-diamine **1** (0.200 g, 0.427 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and acenaphthylene-1,2-dione **f** (0.093 g, 0.512 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a yellow solid (0.212 g, 81 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 3/1, v/v). m.p. = 168 °C; ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.34 (d, 2H), 8.06 (d, 2H), 7.86 (s, 2H), 7.83 (t, 2H), 1.31 (m, 42H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.39, 142.22, 136.90, 132.55, 131.95, 129.89, 129.55, 128.67, 124.31, 122.27, 103.97, 99.47, 18.88, 11.55; IR (cm⁻¹) 3587, 3552, 3495, 3047, 3019, 2952, 2939, 2931, 2921, 2885, 2864, 2752, 2722, 2622, 2566, 2354, 2149, 1925, 1881, 1812, 1670, 1629, 1614, 1462, 1164; accurate mass for C₄₀H₅₀N₂Si₂: *m/z* = 614.3511 [M⁺], calc. *m/z* = 614.3513.



8,13-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]acenaphtho[1,2-*b*]benzo[*g*]quinoxaline (4f): Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.200 g, 0.385 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and acenaphthylene-1,2-dione **f** (0.084 g, 0.462 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a orange solid (0.155 g, 60 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 5/1, v/v). m.p.= 220 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.73 (m, 2H), 8.37 (d, 2H), 8.11 (d, 2H), 7.85 (t, 2H), 7.69 (m, 2H), 1.24 (m, 42H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 155.32, 140.57, 138.78, 134.25, 132.40, 130.46, 129.82, 129.12, 128.08, 127.86, 122.23, 121.57, 106.60, 103.02, 19.38, 12.02; IR (cm^{-1}) 3537, 3485, 3053, 2932, 2858, 2710, 2134, 1912, 1812, 1718, 1612, 1555, 1460, 1379, 1300, 1239, 1134, 1127, 1044; accurate mass for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2$: m/z = 664.36261 $[\text{M}^+]$, calc. m/z = 664.36691.

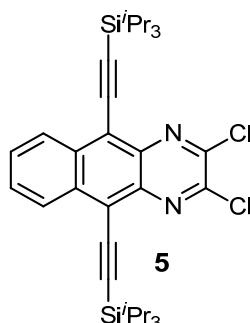


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10,15-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]aceanthryleno[1,2-*b*]benzo[*g*]quinoxaline (4g):

Starting from 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (0.200 g, 0.385 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and aceanthrenequinone **f** (0.108 g, 0.462 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) according to **GP** a red solid (0.196 g, 71 %) was isolated after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/dichloromethane, 2/1, v/v). m.p. = 115 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 9.86 (d, 1H), 8.86 (m, 1H), 8.81 (m, 1H), 8.75 (s, 1H), 8.47 (d, 1H), 8.29 (d, 1H), 8.25 (d, 1H), 8.24 (d, 1H), 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.74 (m, 1H), 1.32 (m, 42H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 11.84, 19.19, 19.23, 102.91, 103.29, 105.98, 106.39, 121.15, 121.59, 122.07, 126.02, 126.44, 126.60, 127.65, 127.68, 127.74, 127.88, 127.92, 128.00, 128.84, 129.20, 129.82, 129.86, 130.50, 132.03, 133.84, 134.32, 134.50, 137.91, 139.72, 140.32, 155.01, 156.21; IR (cm^{-1}) 3061, 2954, 2940, 2891, 2862, 2754, 2721, 2612, 2555, 2517, 2359, 2160, 2128, 1945, 1916, 1828, 1714, 1622, 1579, 1528, 1464, 1381, 1292, 1234, 1173, 1040, 1015; accurate mass for $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{54}\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2$: m/z = 714.38445 $[\text{M}^+]$, calc. m/z = 714.38905.



2,3-dichloro-5,10-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]benzo[*g*]quinoxaline (5): A mixture of 1,4-bis[[tri(propan-2-yl)silyl]ethynyl]naphthalene-2,3-diamine **2** (1.60 g, 3.08 mmol) and diethyloxalate (7.50 mL) was heated to reflux. After 19 h the mixture was evaporated at 90 °C and dried under vacuum. The dark brown solid was dissolved in POCl_3 (10.0 mL) and heated to reflux for 20 h. The orange-black solution was evaporated and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, petrolether, 677 mg, 36% over two steps) to obtain **5** as orange crystals. m.p. = 143 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.60 (m, 2H), 7.66 (m, 2H), 1.16-1.25 (m, 42H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 11.62, 18.96, 101.07, 108.36, 120.29, 127.76, 128.85, 134.59, 138.95, 146.21; IR (cm^{-1}) 3061, 2954, 2940, 2889, 2862, 2325, 2166, 2144, 1978, 1700, 1552; accurate mass for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{47}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{Si}_2$: m/z = 609.26493 $[\text{M}^+]$, calc. m/z = 609.26493.

3. UV-VIS SPECTRA

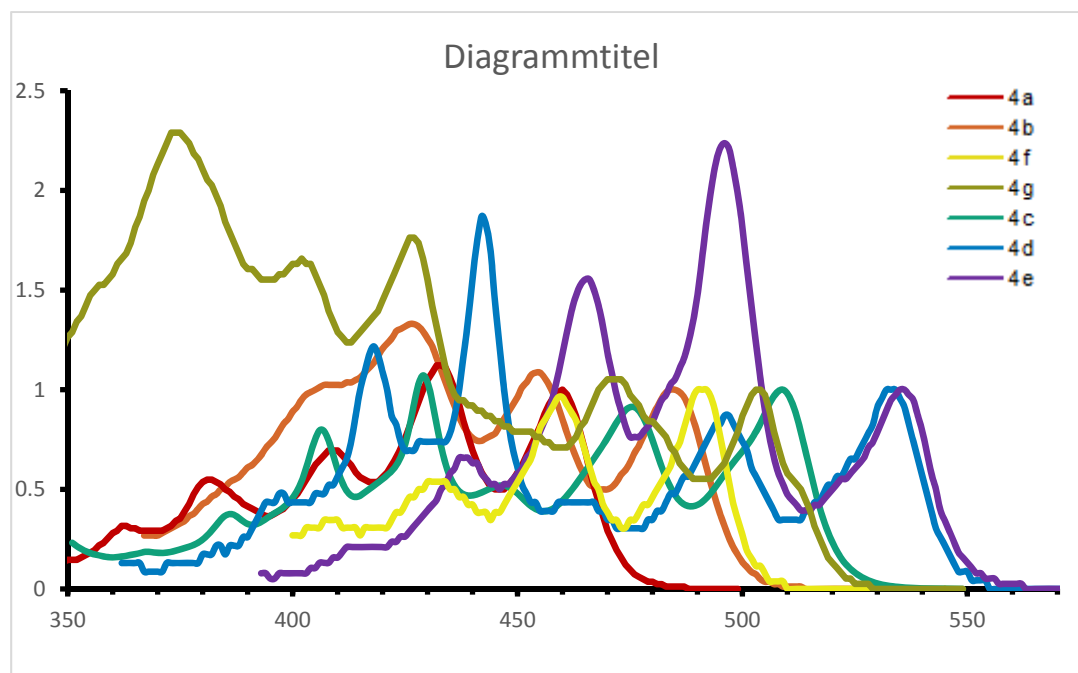


Figure 1: UV/Vis spectra of the benzoquinoxaline-derivatives **4a-g** in hexanes.

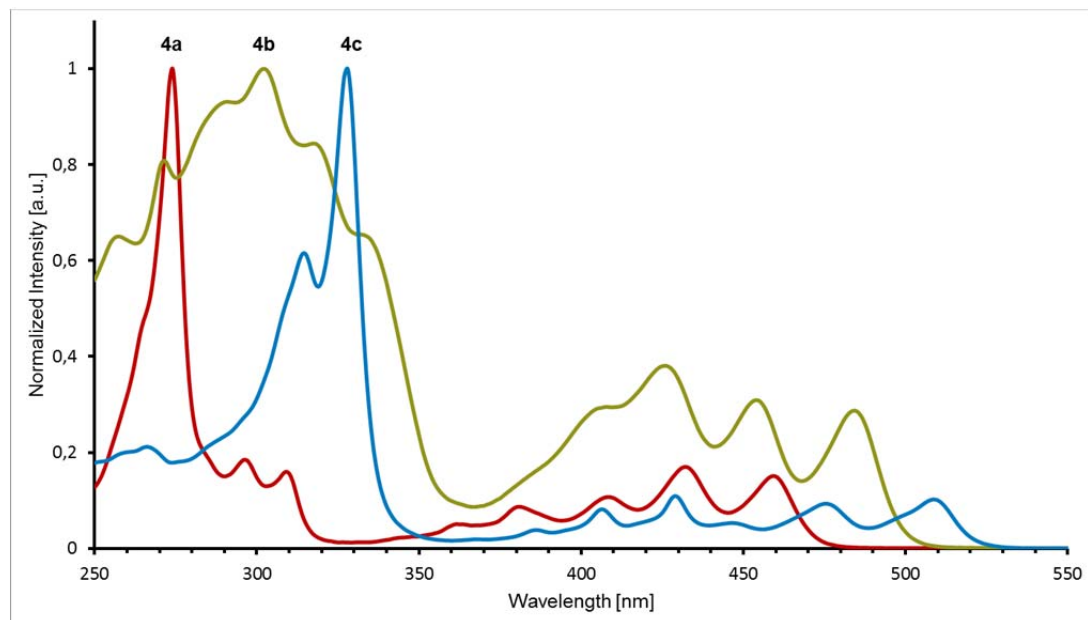


Figure 2: UV/Vis spectra of the benzoquinoxaline-derivatives **4a-c** in hexanes.

4. SUMMARY OF OPTICAL AND ELECTRONICAL DATA

Table 1: optical, electronical and computational data of the quinoxaline- and benzoquinoxalines-derivatives

	CV ^{a)} (1. Red)	LUMO _{CV} ^{c)} [eV]	HOMO ^{f)} [eV]	Gap _{UV} ^{d)} [eV]	LUMO _{DFT} ^{e)} [eV]	HOMO _{DFT} ^{e)} [eV]	Gap _{DFT} ^{e)} [eV]	Abs _{Max} ^{b)} [nm]	Abs _{edge} ^{b)} [nm]	Abs _{Max} ^{g)} [nm]	Emm _{Max} ^{b)} [nm]	Emm _{Max} ^{g)} [nm]	QY ^{b)}	QY ^{g)}
3a	-2.08	-3.02	-6.15	-3.13	-2.43	-6.06	-3.63	366	396	342	405	415	0,022	0,033
3b	-1.89	-3.21	-6.19	-2.98	-2.54	-6.02	-3.48	385	416	375	417	433	0,019	0,075
3c	-1.64	-3.46	-6.36	-2.90	-2.82	-6.14	-3.32	405	427	411	426	458	0,053	0,158
3d	-1.64	-3.46	-6.24	-2.78	-2.84	-6.04	-3.20	407	446	409	437	467	0,007	0,022
3e	-1.61	-3.49	-6.11	-2.62	-2.84	-5.99	-3.15	458	473	456	461	497	0,303	0,09
3f	-1.84	-3.26	-6.23	-2.97	-2.58	-5.99	-3.41	401	417	399	411	448	0,005	0,023
3g	-1.65	-3.45	-6.04	-2.59	-2.80	-5.79	-2.99	467	479	466	470	485	0,066	0,082
4a	-1.75	-3.35	-5.93	-2.58	-2.76	-5.64	-2.88	460	481	459	471	483	0,353	0,471
4b	-1.58	-3.52	-5.97	-2.45	-2.84	-5.59	-2.75	485	506	487	496	510	0,127	0,563
4c	-1.38	-3.72	-6.32	-2.60	-3.09	-5.72	-2.63	459	476	511	517	540	0,248	0,207
4d	-1.36	-3.74	-5.97	-2.23	-3.10	-5.61	-2.51	533	556	533	540	563	0,244	0,134
4e	-1.33	-3.77	-5.99	-2.22	-3.10	-5.61	-5.61	535	558	537	541	565	0,05	0,341
4f	-1.56	-3.54	-5.99	-2.45	-2.86	-5.60	-2.74	487	507	492	497	514	0,123	0,127
4g	-1.55	-3.55	-5.91	-2.36	-2.85	-5.52	-2.67	503	525	508	516	534	0,124	0,112

a) measured in THF(Bu₄NPF₆) against Fc/Fc⁺ @ 50 mV/s; b) in hexanes; c) from CV measurement; d) from UV/Vis spectra in hexanes; e) Spartan 10, B3LYP, 6-311+G**; f) Gap_{UV}-LUMO_{CV}; g) in DCM.

5. TGA DSC DATA

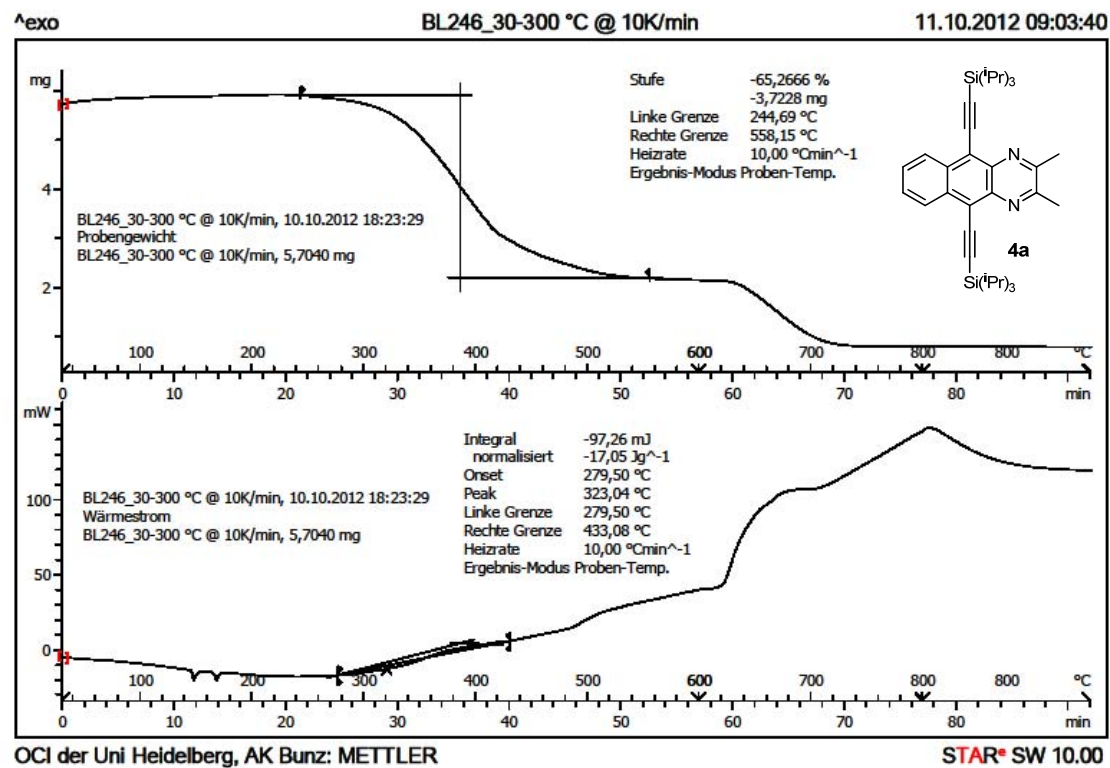


Figure 3: TGA DSC of compound 4a

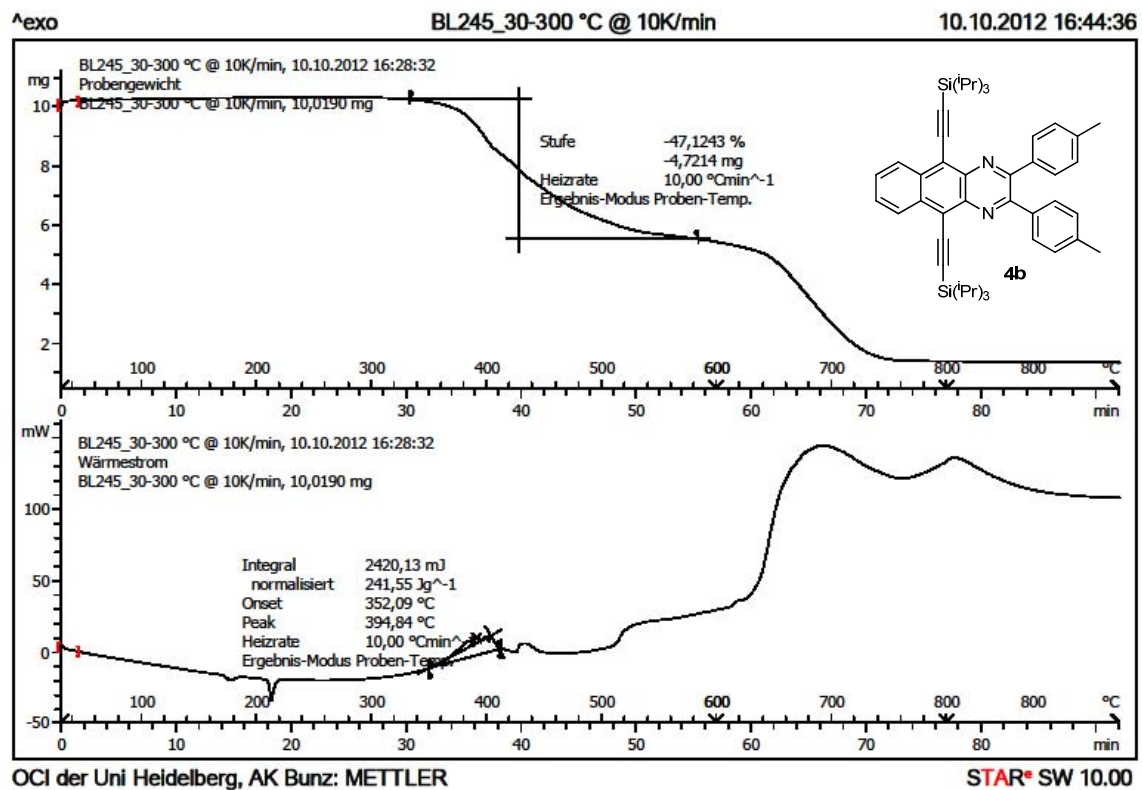


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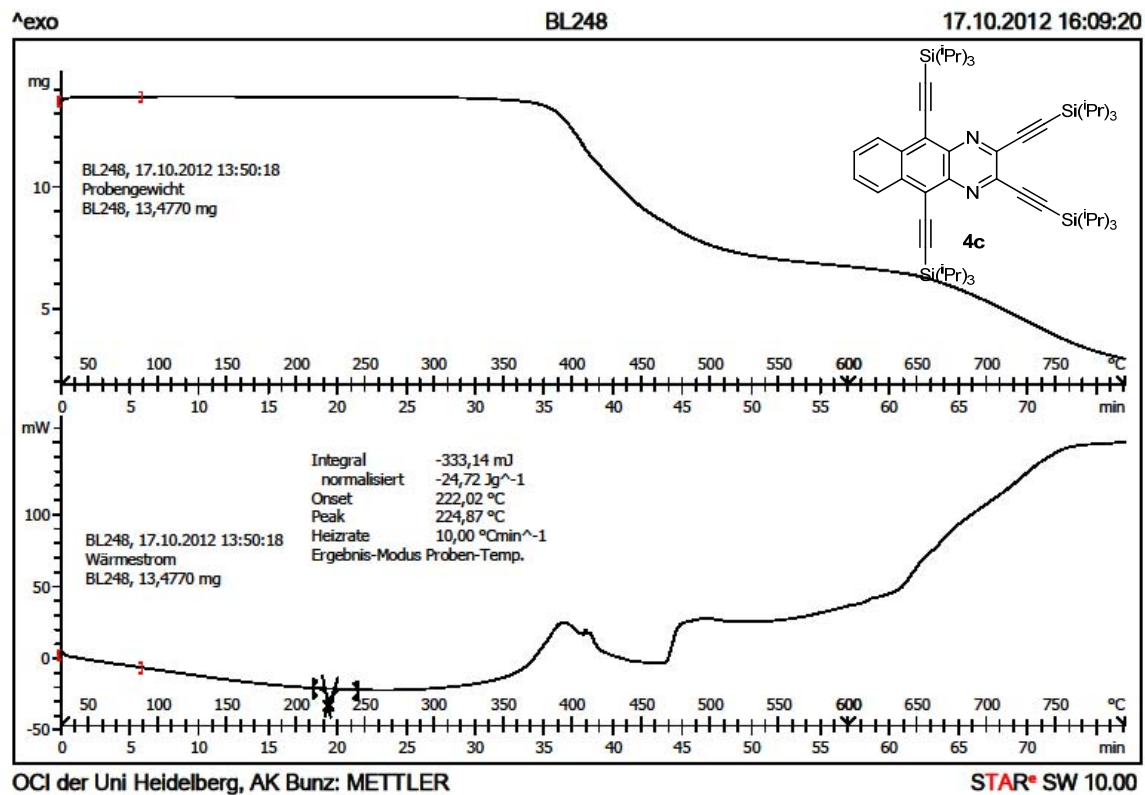
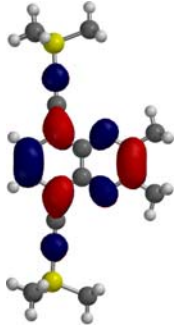
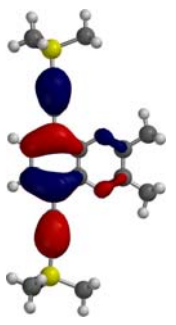
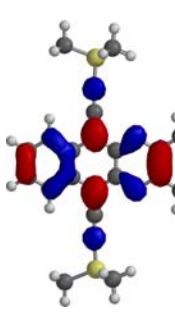
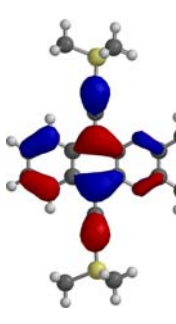
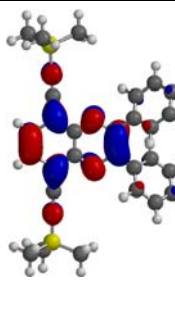
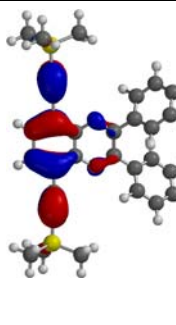
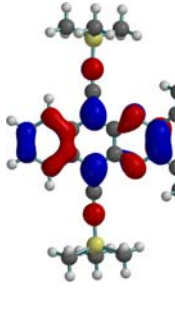
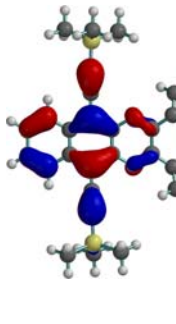
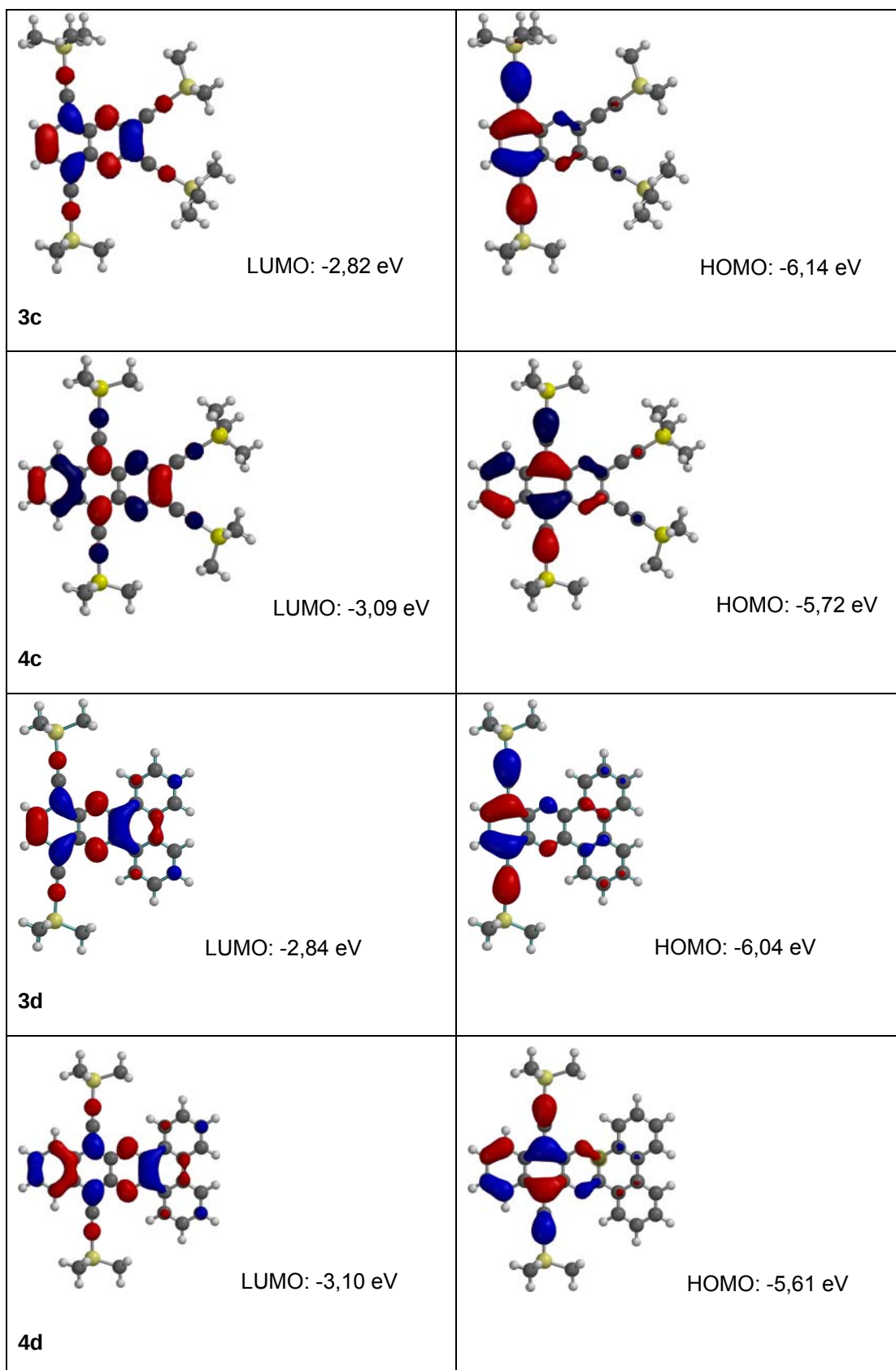


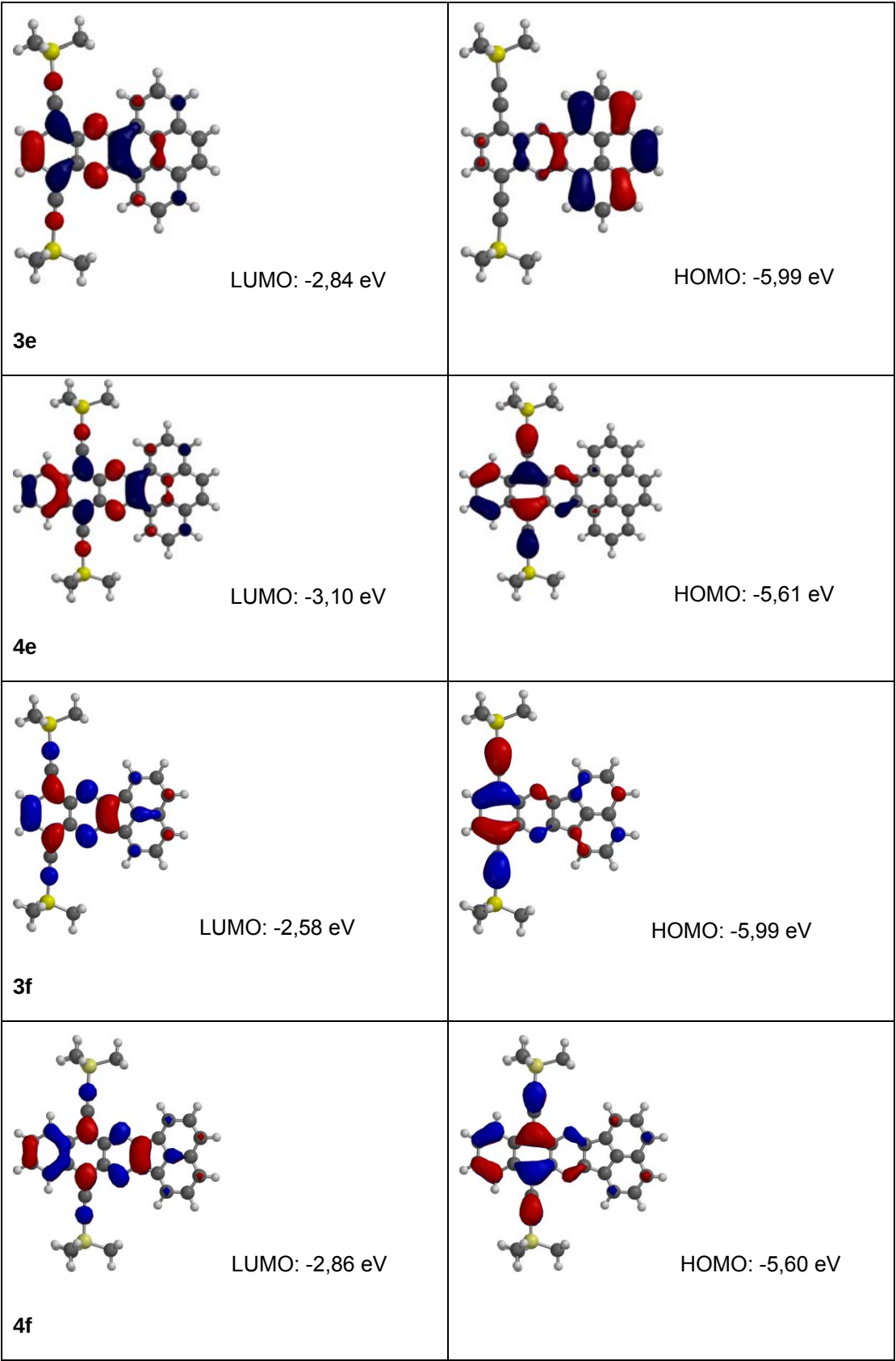
Figure 5: TGA DSC of compound 4c

6. COMPUTATIONAL STUDIES

Table 2 FMOs of the quinoxaline- and benzoquinoxalines-derivatives (Spartan'10; B3LYP-6-311+G**)

 LUMO: -2,43 eV 3a	 HOMO: -6,06 eV
 LUMO: -2,76 eV 4a	 HOMO: -5,64 eV
 LUMO: -2,54 eV 3b	 HOMO: -6,02 eV
 LUMO: -2,84 eV 4b	 HOMO: -5,59 eV





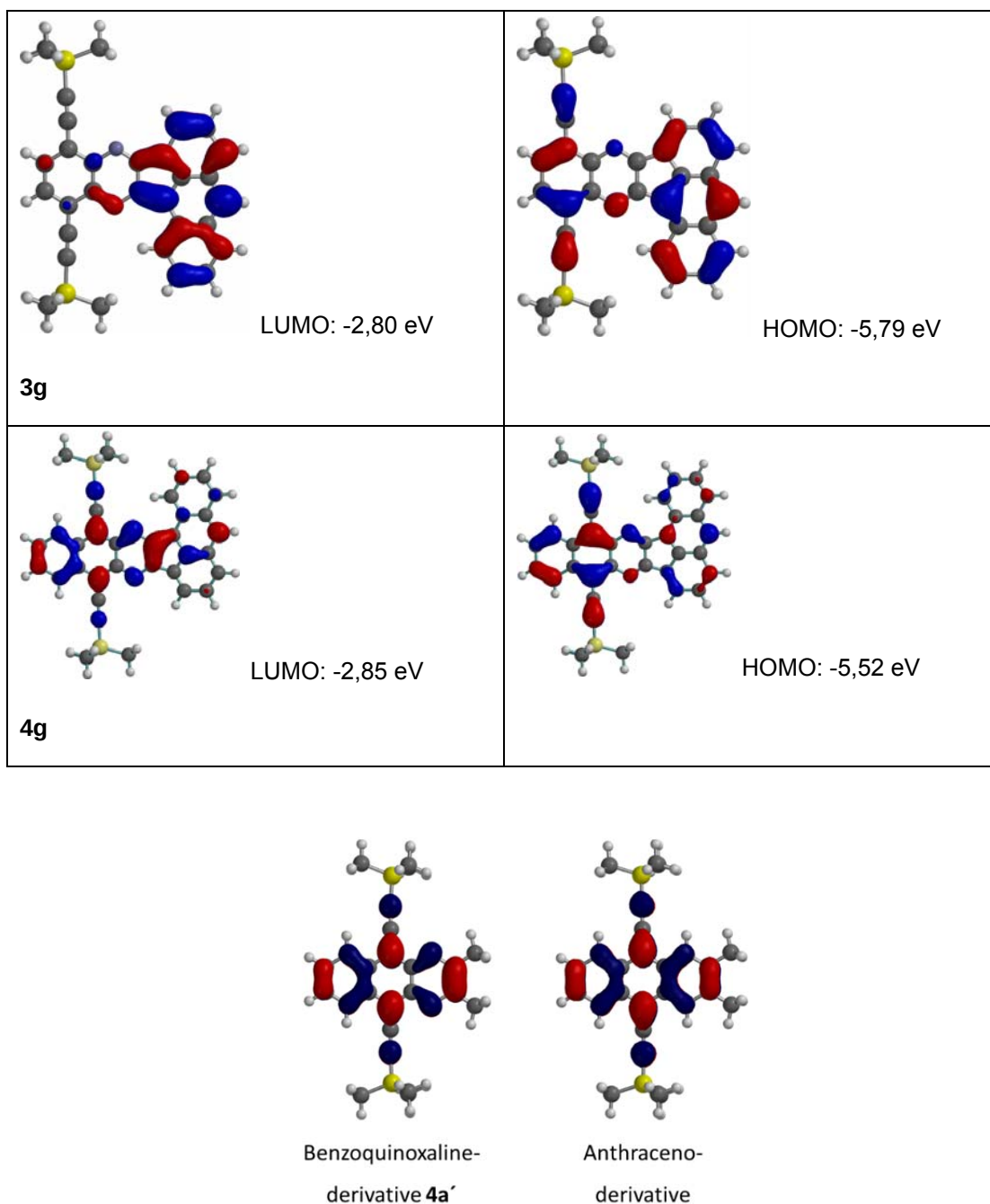


Figure 6: Comparison of the calculated LUMO (Spartan'10 B3LYP-6-311+G**) for the TMS-benzoquinoxaline-derivative **4a'** (left) and the all-Carbon-analogon (right)

Here the exemplarily comparison of the frontier orbitals of TMS-benzoquinoxaline-derivative **4a'** to the all-carbon anthracene derivative shows that the LUMO energies are lowered from -2.44 eV to -2.76 eV by introduction of two nitrogen atoms into the acenecore.

7. OLED FABRICATION

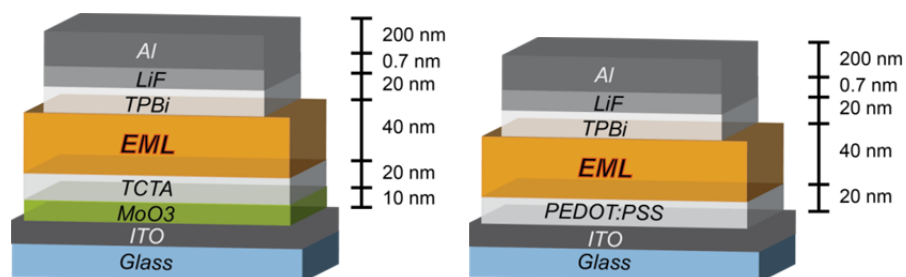


Figure 7 Device architectures of vacuum processed OLEDs (left) and solution deposited OLEDs (right) comprising the compounds **4a-c** as emission layers.

According to Figure 1, all OLEDs were fabricated on indium tin oxide (ITO) coated glass substrates ($R_{\square} \approx 13 \Omega/\square$) that had been structured using hydrochloric acid. The substrates were cleaned with acetone and isopropanol for 15 min in an ultrasonic bath. Afterwards the substrates were exposed to oxygen plasma for 2 min in order to remove organic residues and to polarize the ITO surface for better PEDOT:PSS adhesion. Then the samples were moved to a glovebox with nitrogen atmosphere and kept there for the remaining fabrication and characterization process.

For partly solution processed devices (Fig 1 left) a PEDOT:PSS (VPAi 4083, Heraeus) layer was spincoated at 4000 rpm for 30 s from a 1:1 water diluted solution and then annealed for 10 min in a vacuum oven at 120 °C. Each **4a**, **4b** and **4c** were dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (THF, 3 mg/ml) and spincoated at 1000 rpm for 20 s (40nm).

The fully evaporated devices (Figure 7) comprise 10 nm MoO₃ for enhanced hole injection, followed by 20 nm TCTA as an electron blocking layer and a 40nm **4a**, **4b** or **4c** emission layer.

All devices (Figure 7) were capped by a TPBi (20nm) hole blocking layer and a LiF / Al (0.7 nm / 200 nm) counter electrode. All thermal evaporation steps were done in a high vacuum chamber (10^{-6} mbar).

The OLED current density–voltage (J-V) characteristics were recorded with a source measure unit (Keithley 238). The device luminance was calculated from the emission spectrum. The respective spectrometer had been calibrated with a secondary standard calibration halogen lamp (Philips FEL-1000W). Current efficiencies (cd/A) and power efficiencies (lm/W) were calculated from the electrical and optical properties. For this calculation we assumed a lambertian light distribution.

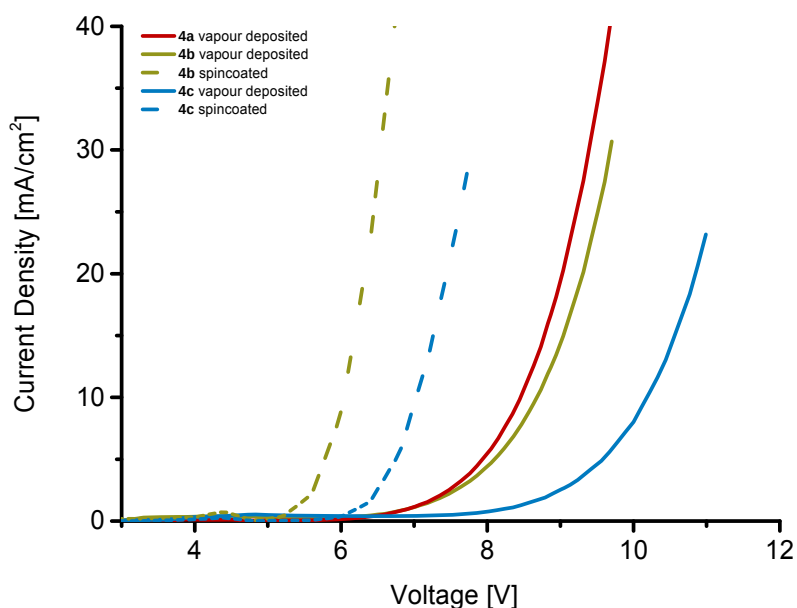


Figure 8: Current Density-Voltage plot for OLEDs with **4a-c** as EML.

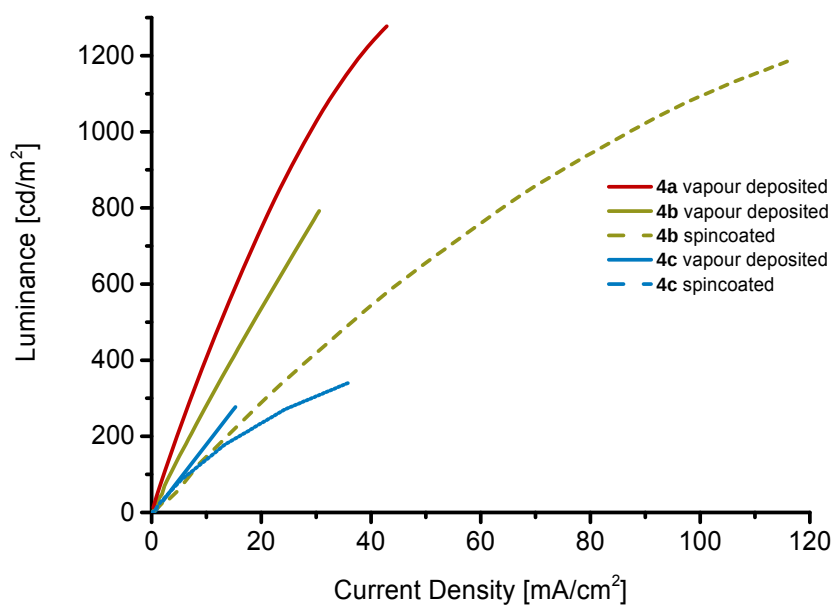


Figure 9: Luminance-Current Density plot for OLEDs with **4a-c** as EML.

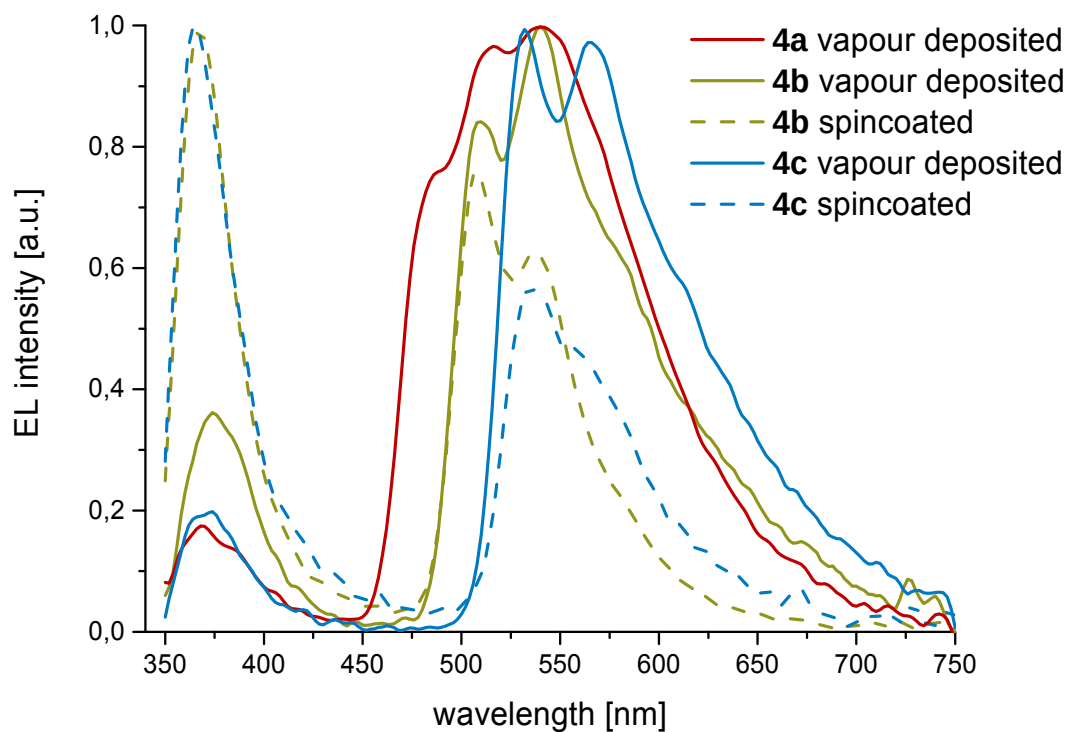


Figure 10: EL spectra of OLEDs prepared with **4a-c** as EML.

8. ^1H - AND ^{13}C -NMR SPECTRA

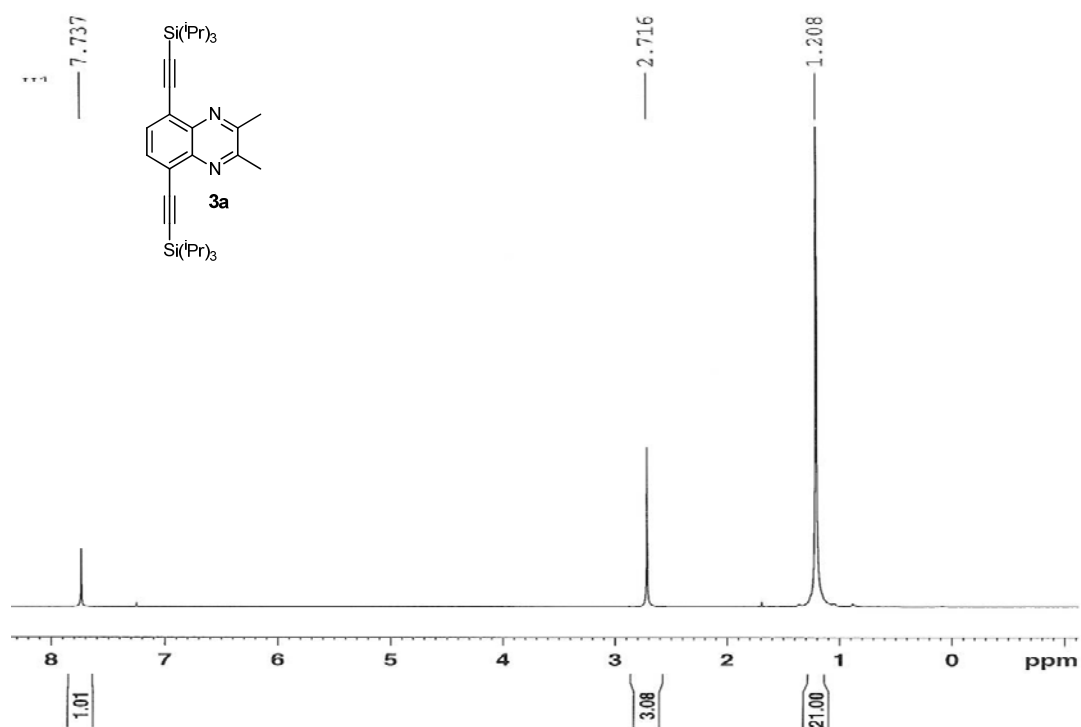


Figure 11: ^1H -NMR of compound **3a**.

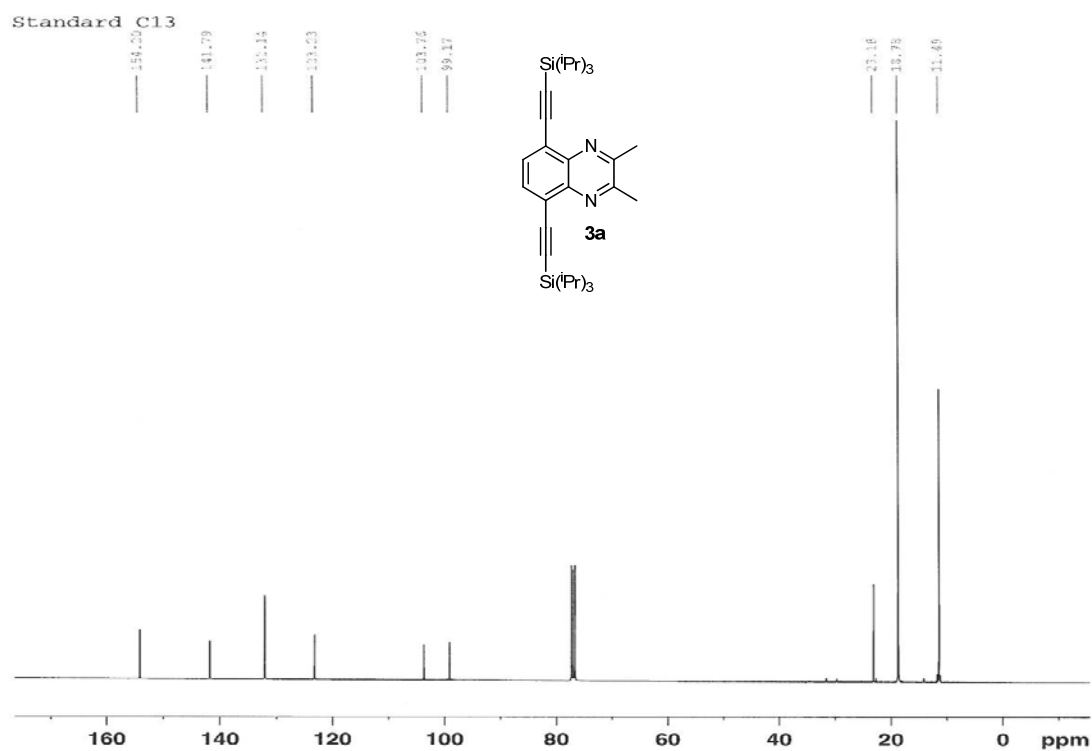


Figure 12: ^{13}C -NMR of compound **3a**.

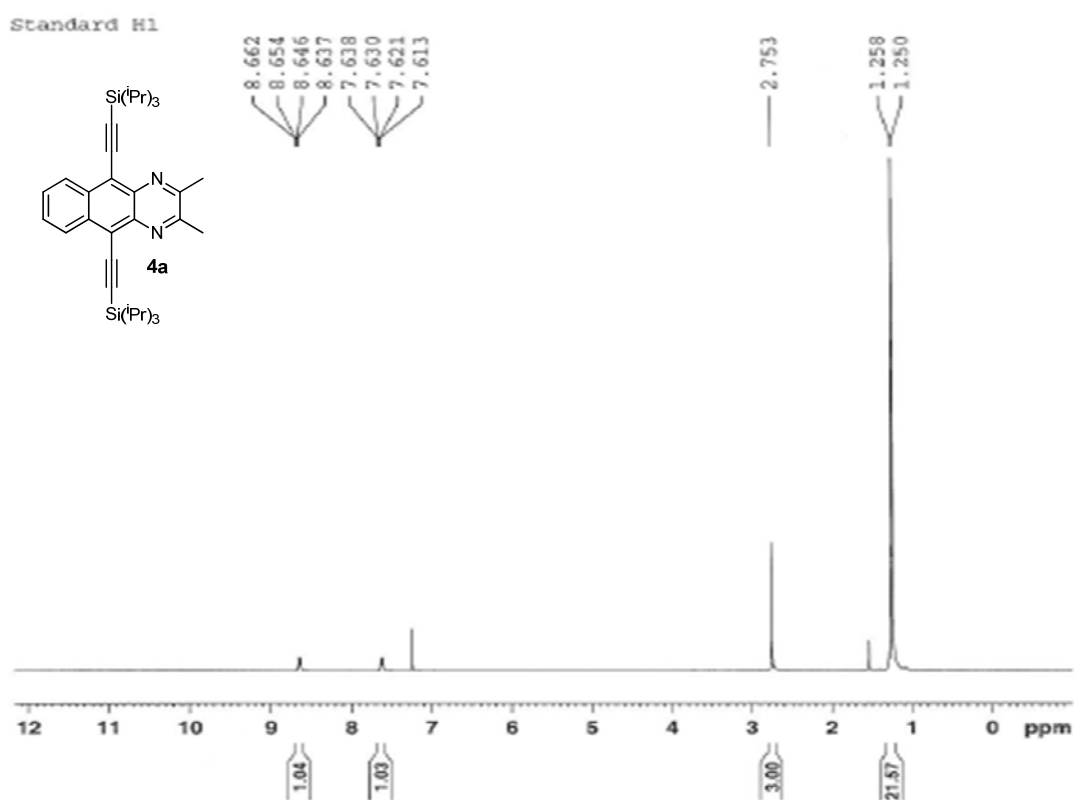


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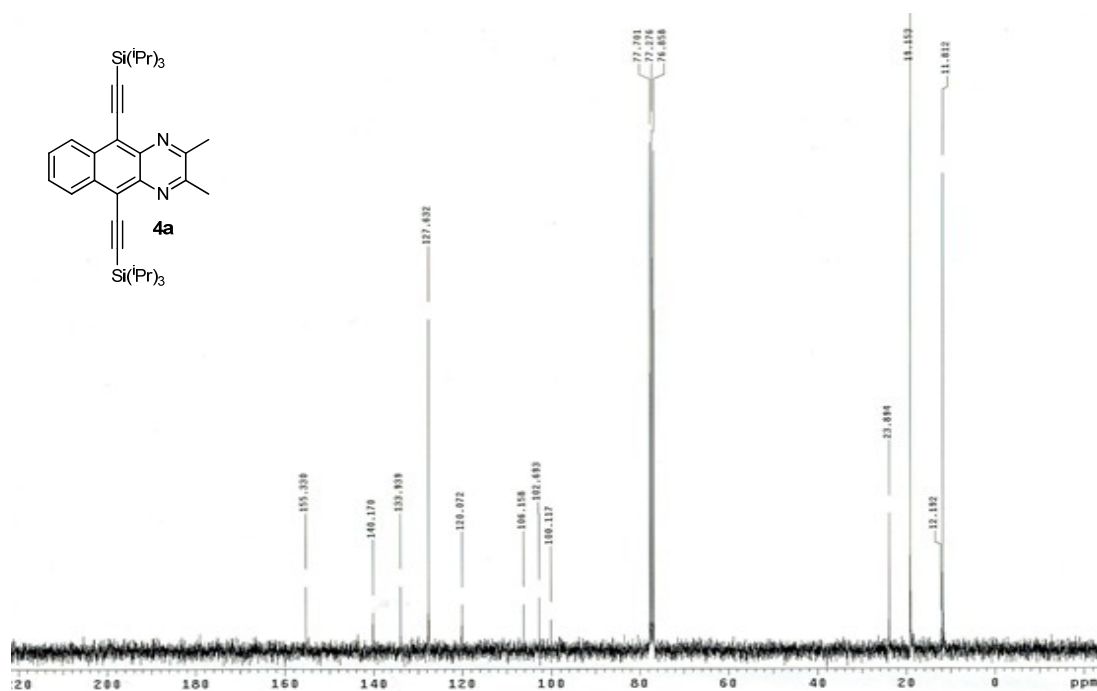


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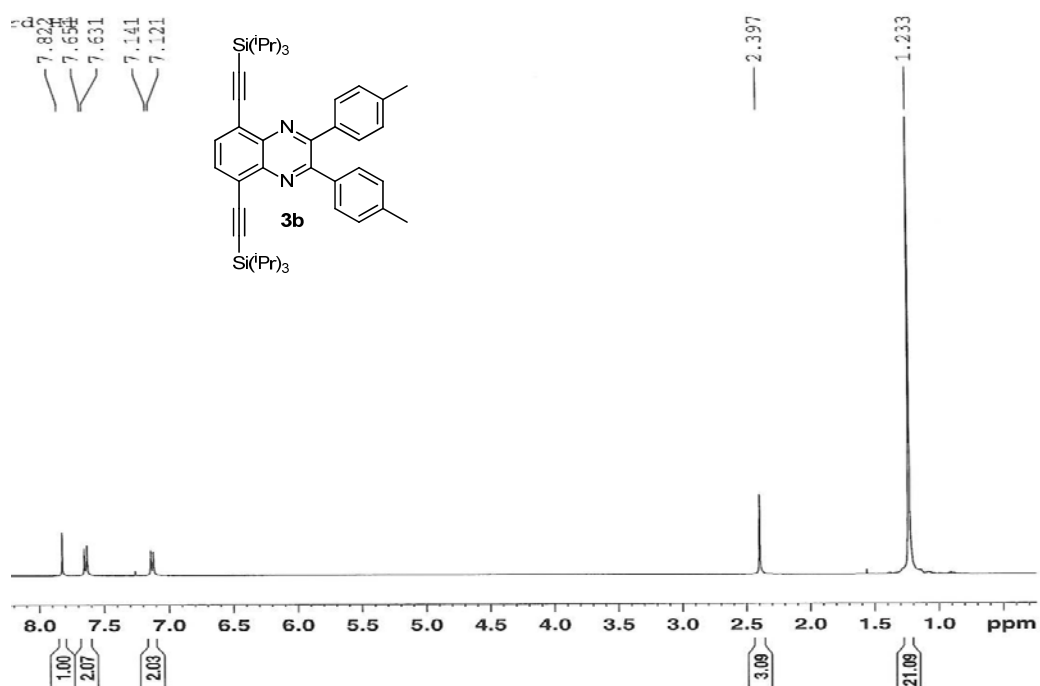


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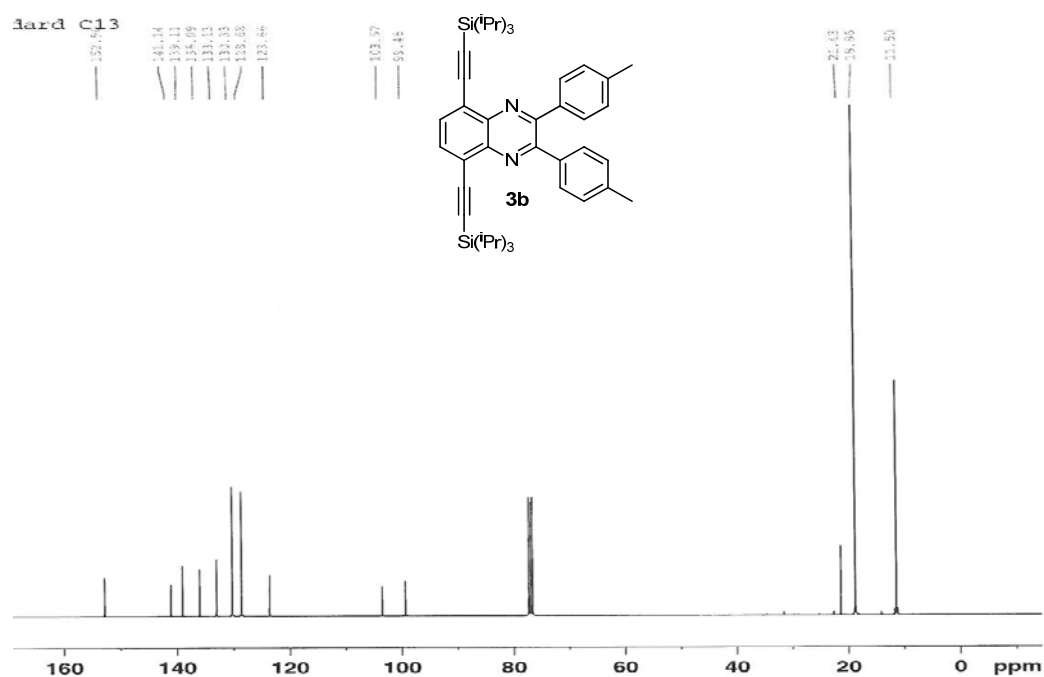


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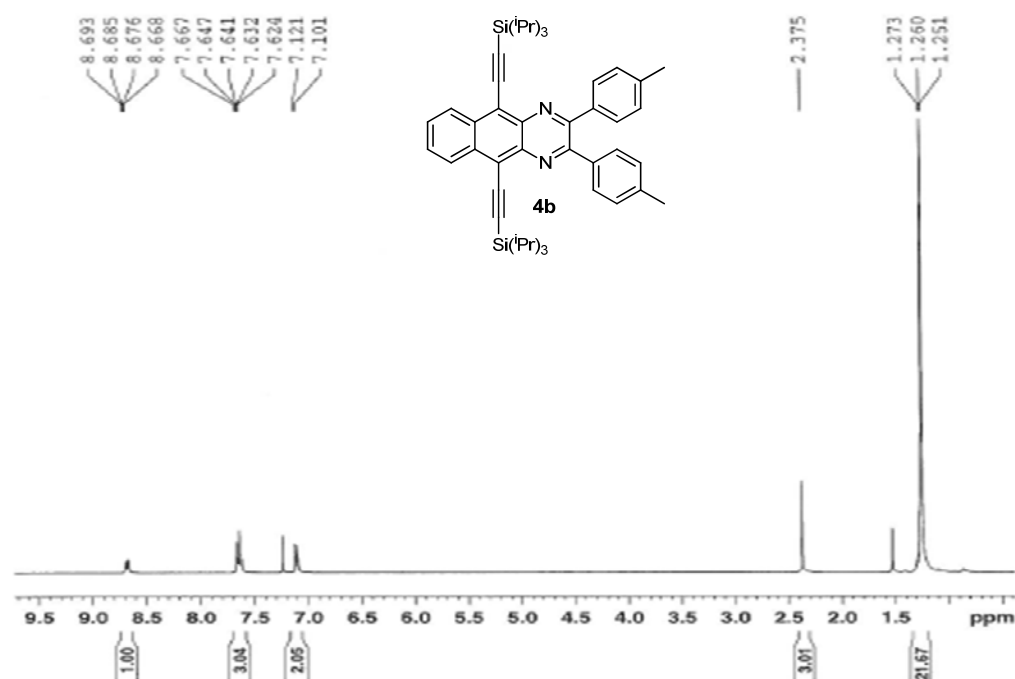


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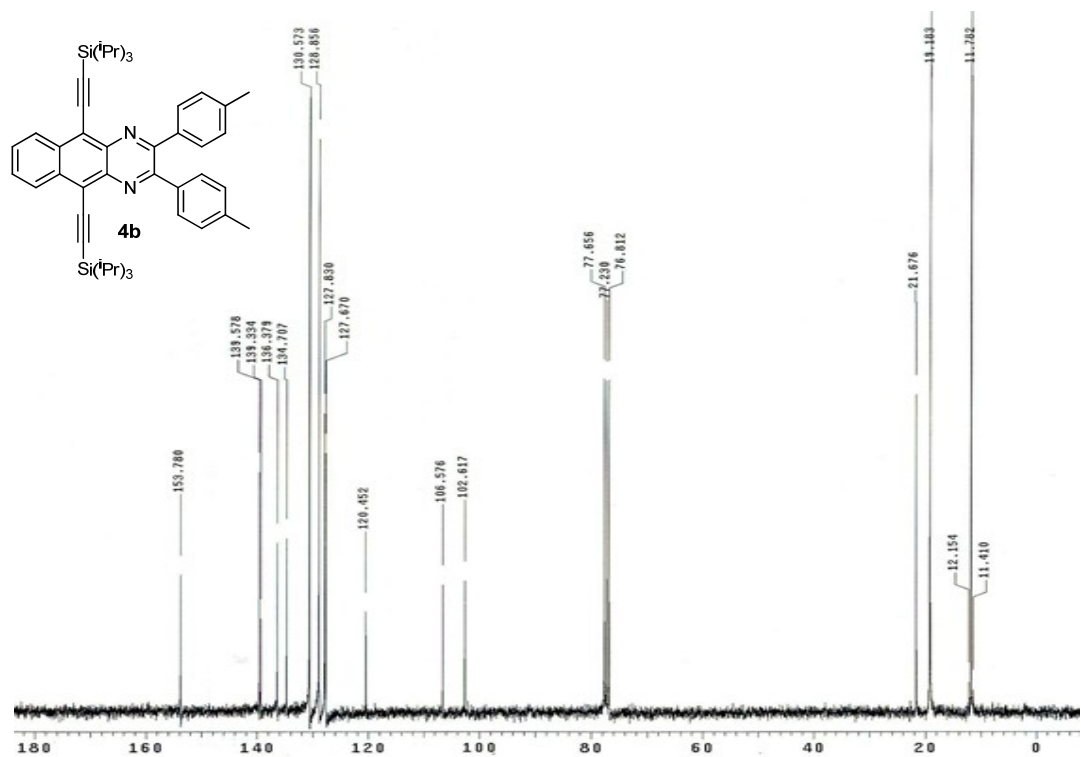


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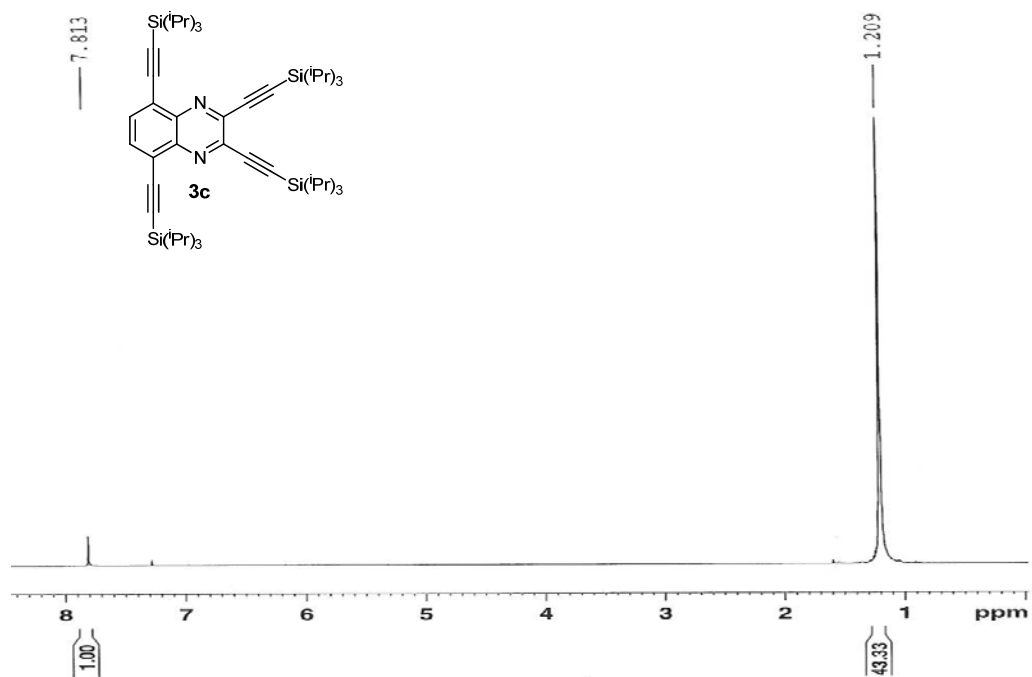


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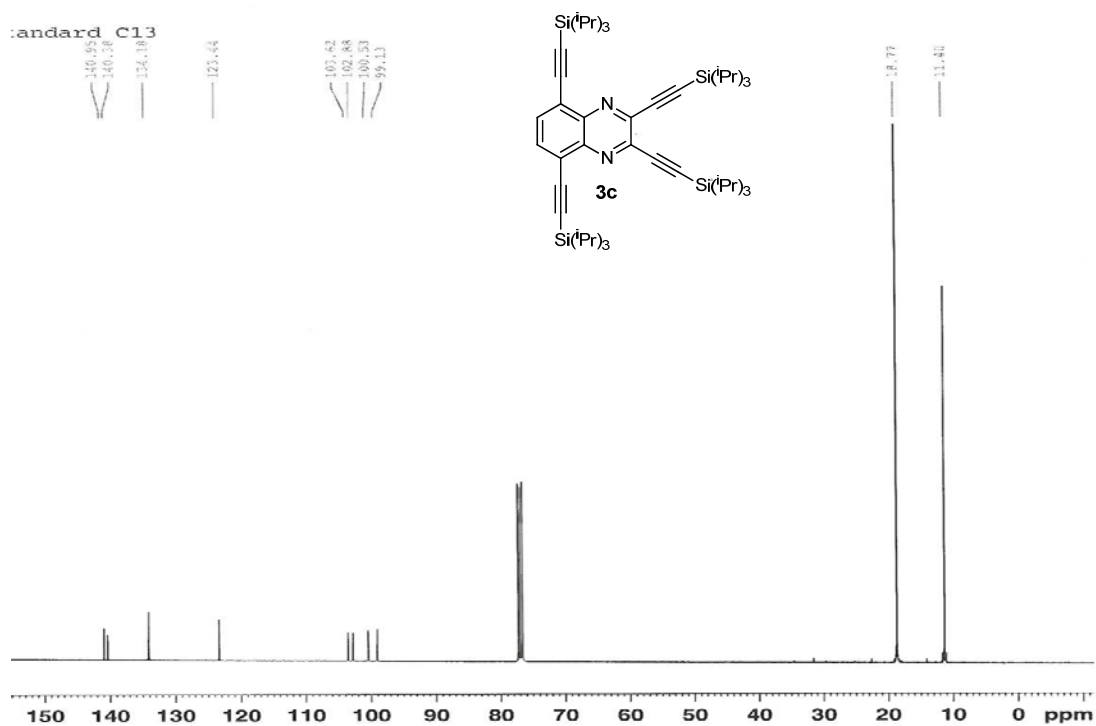


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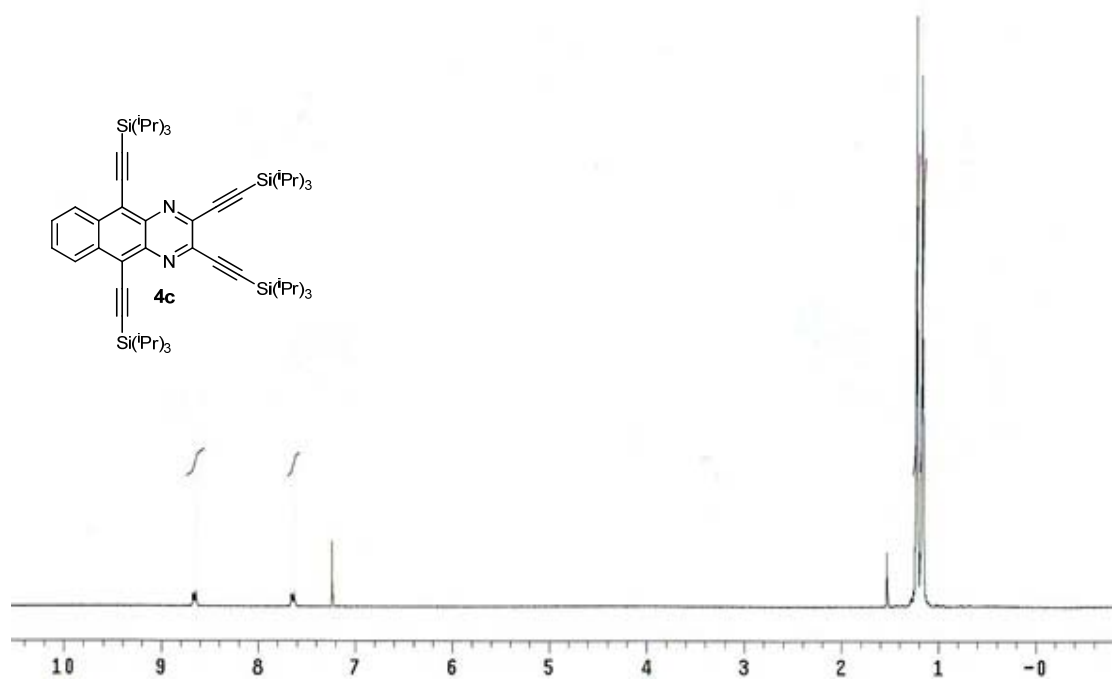


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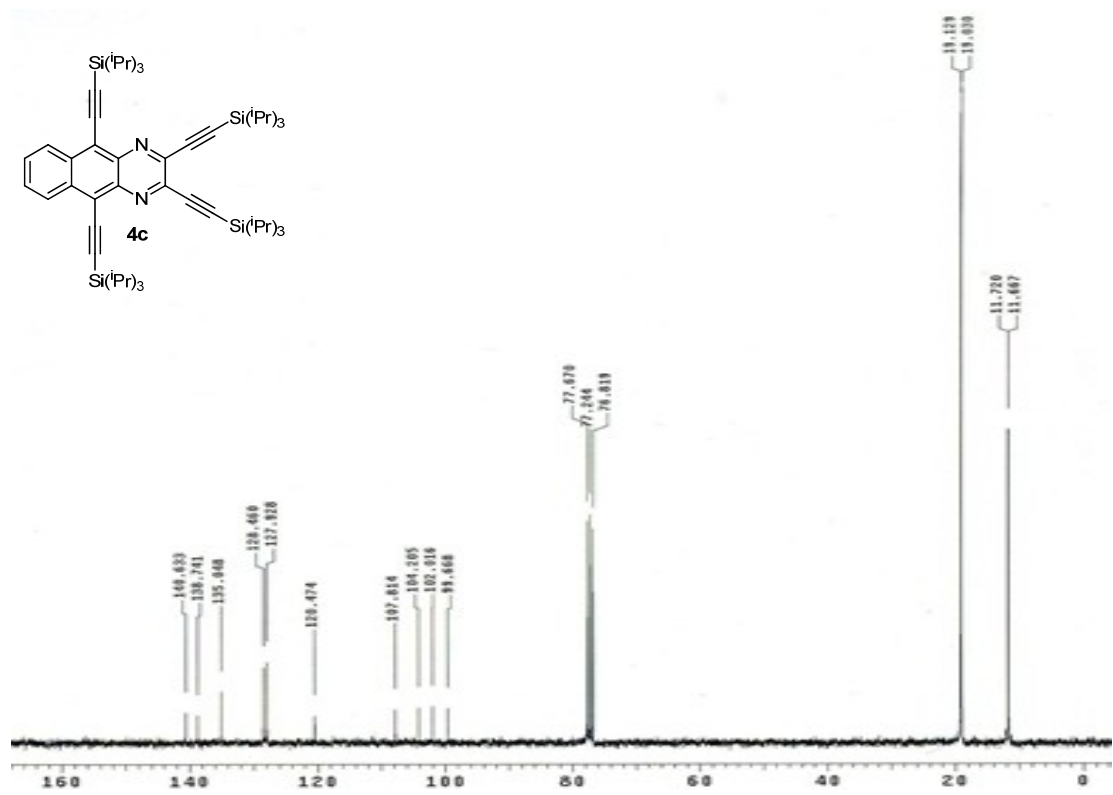


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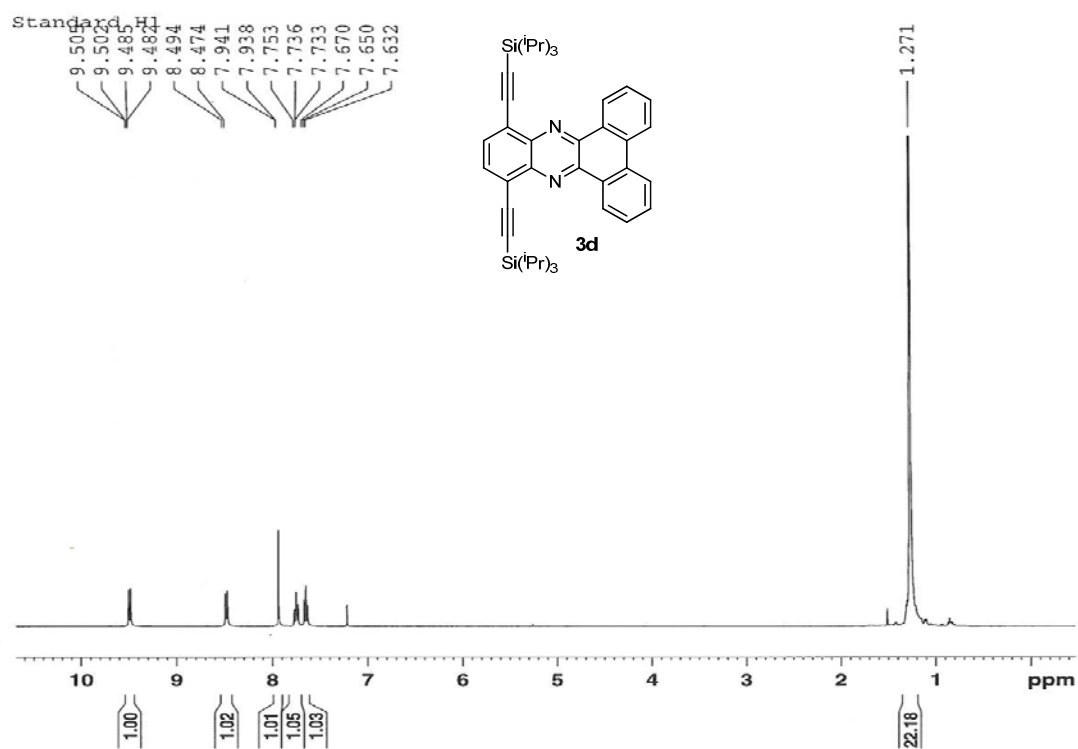


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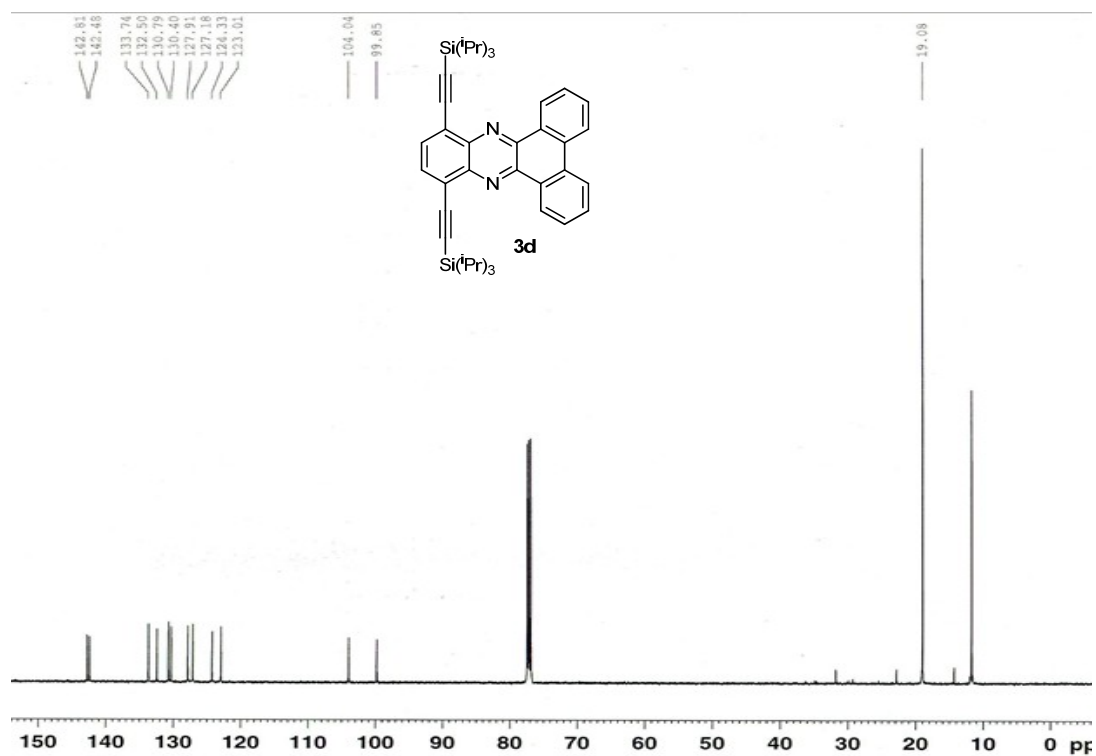


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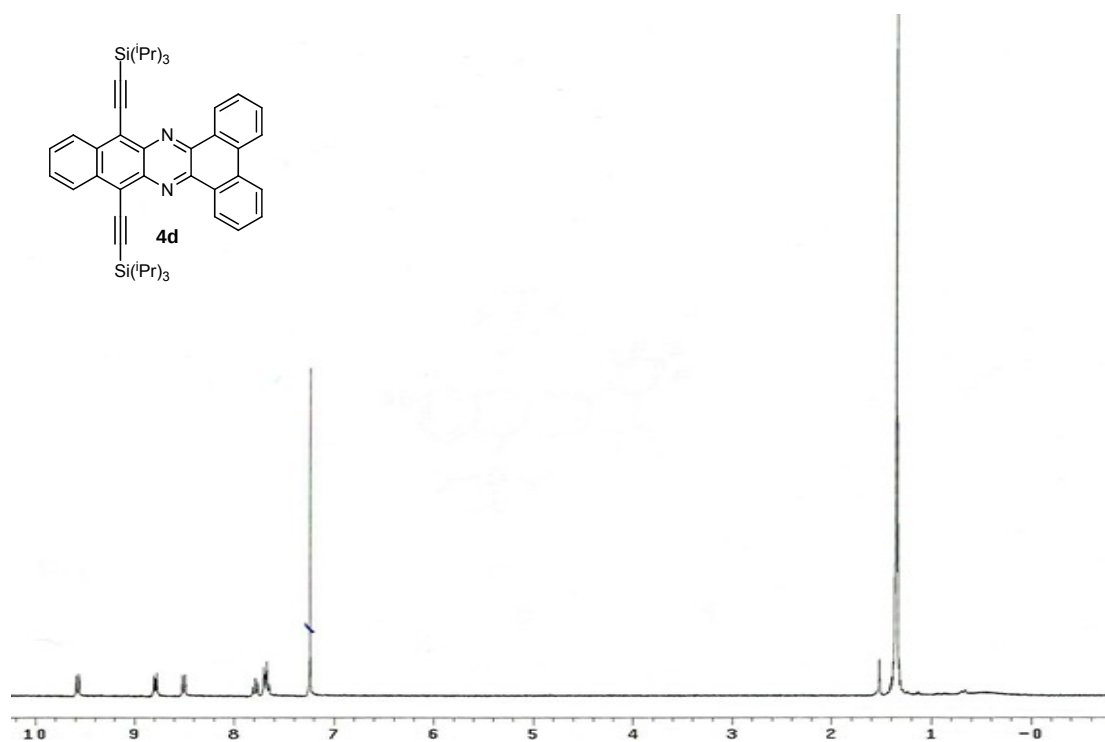


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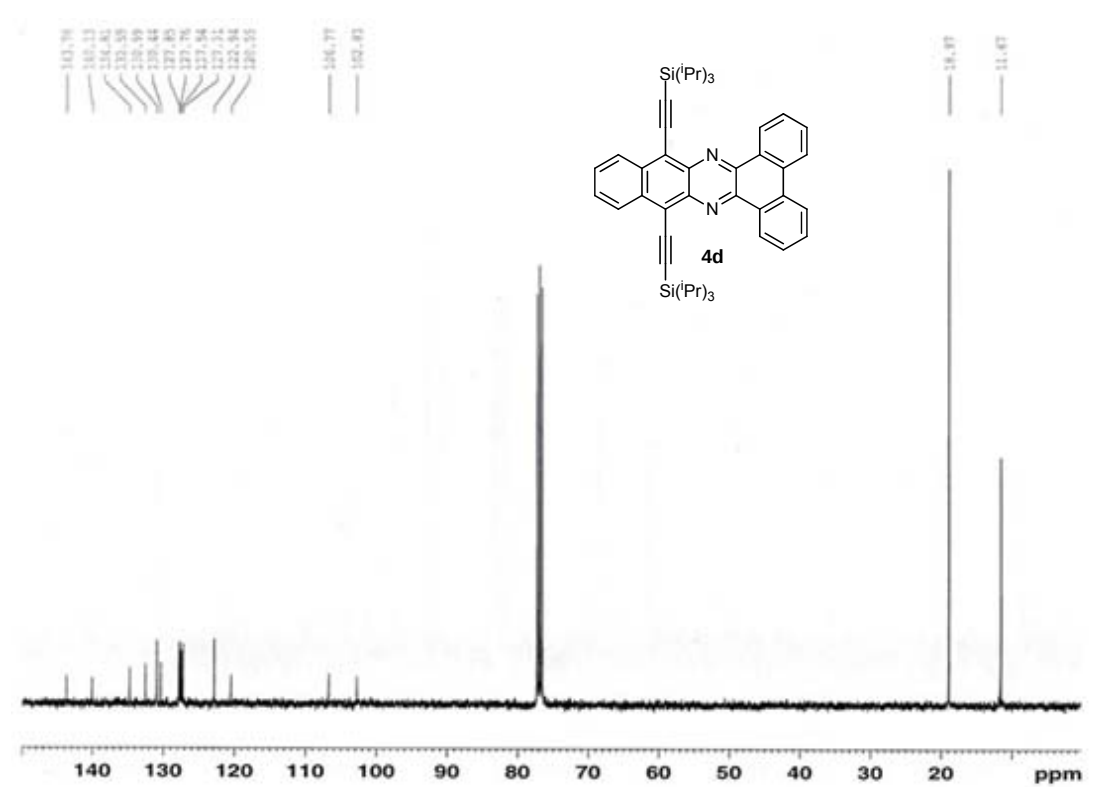


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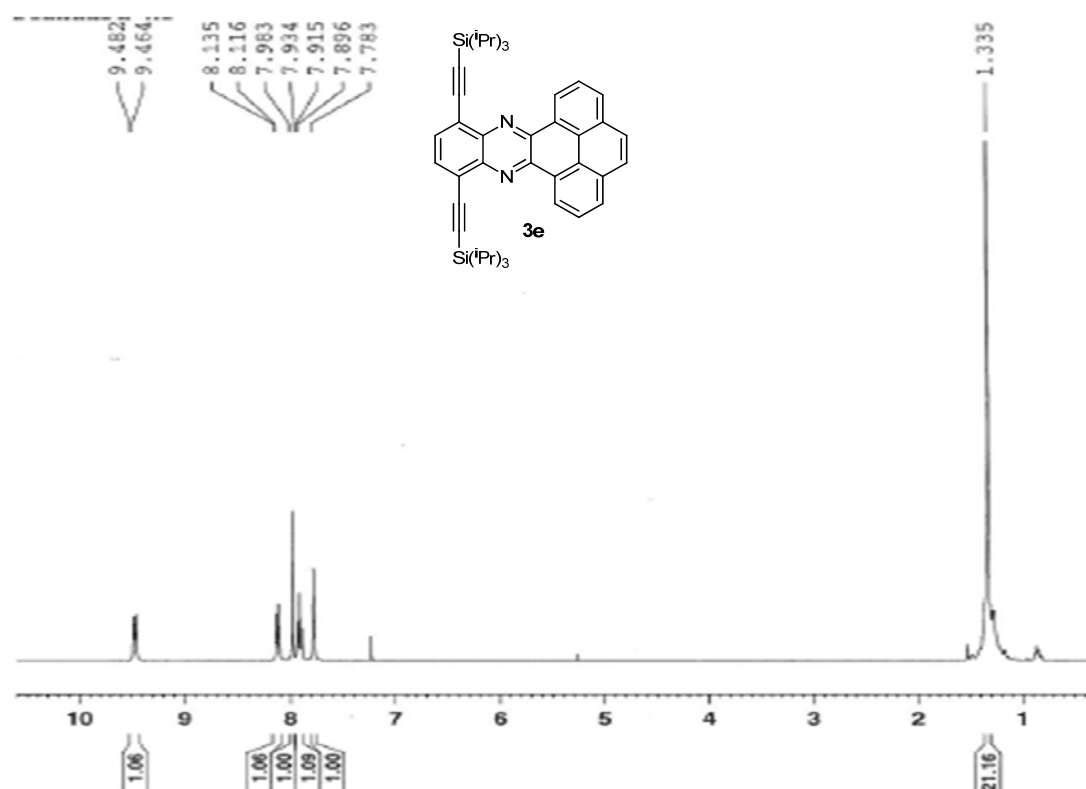


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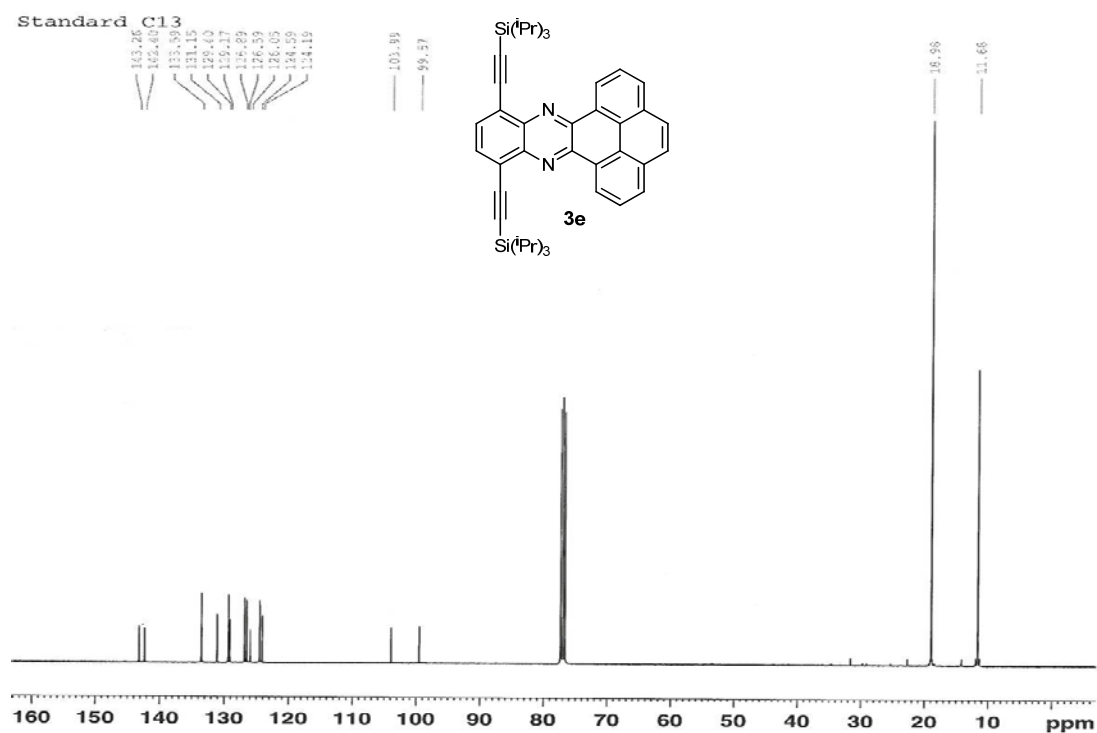


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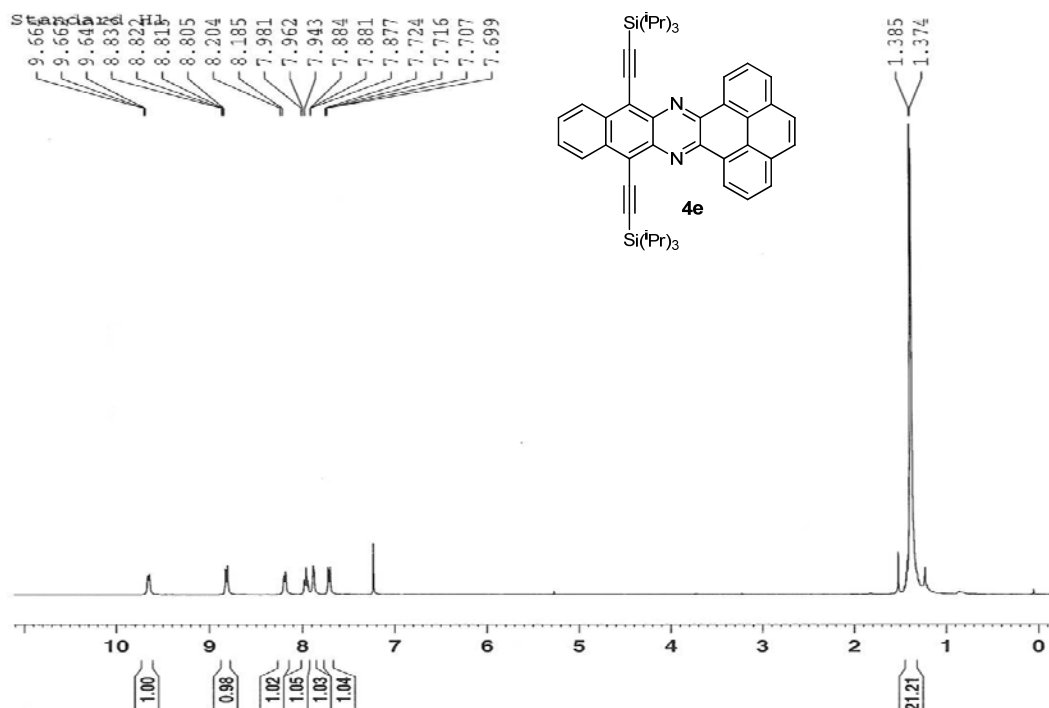


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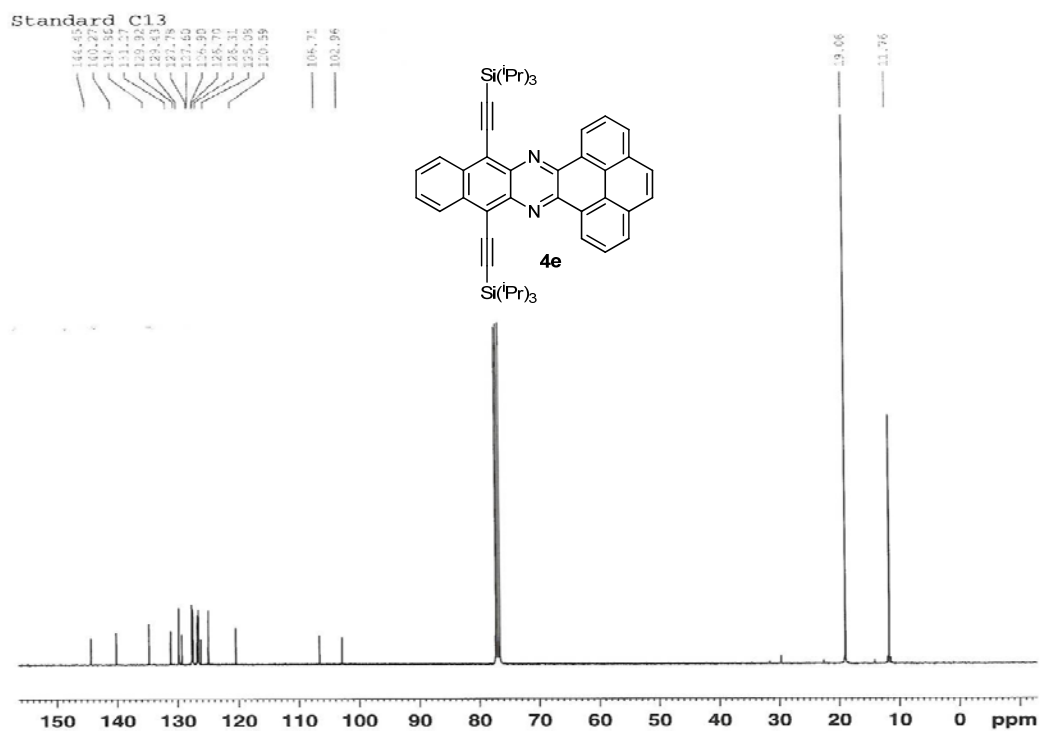


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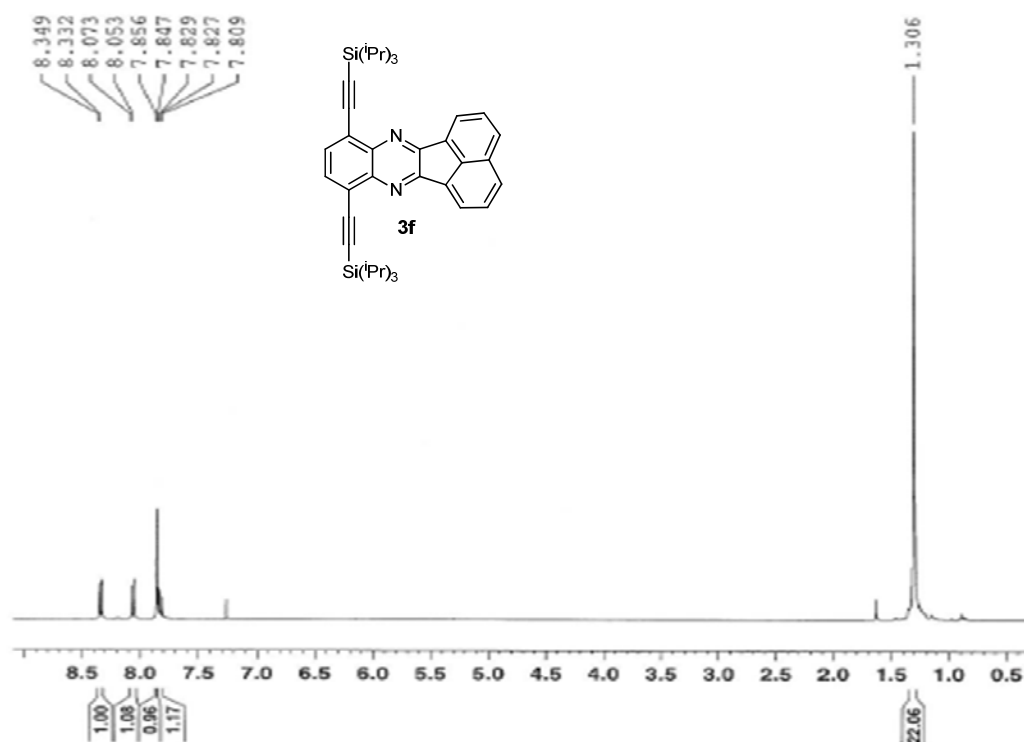


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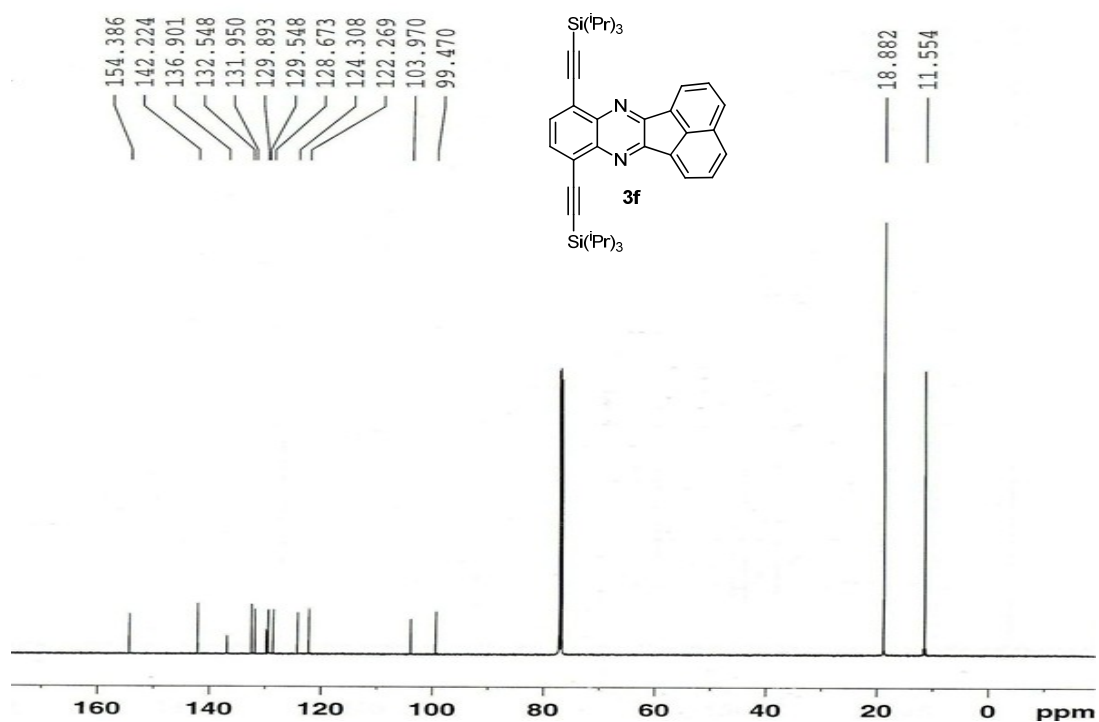


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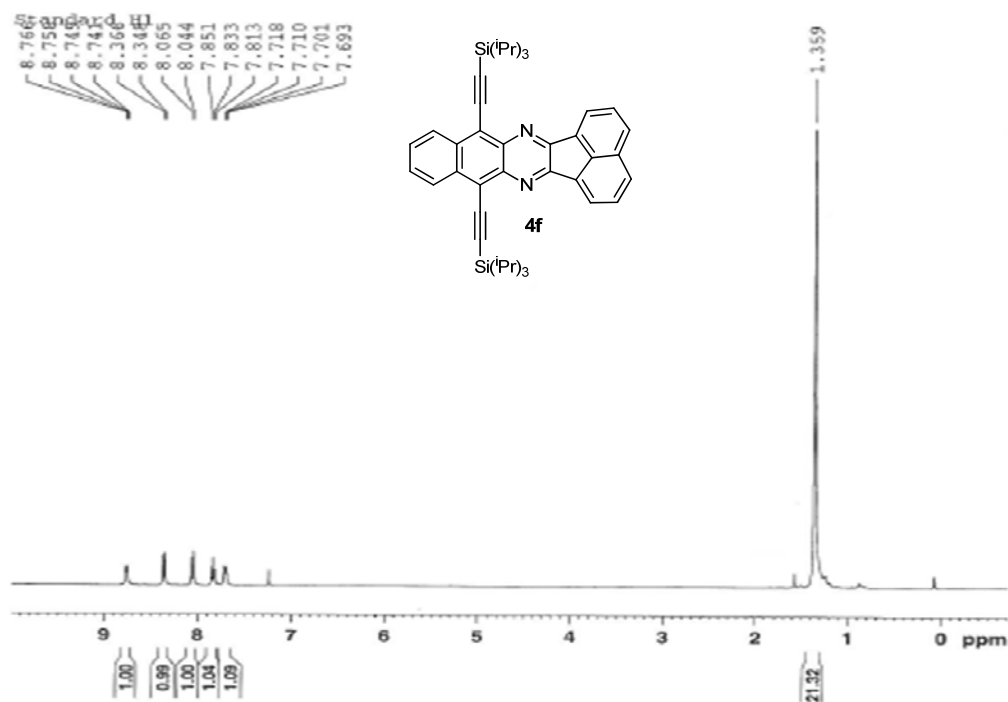


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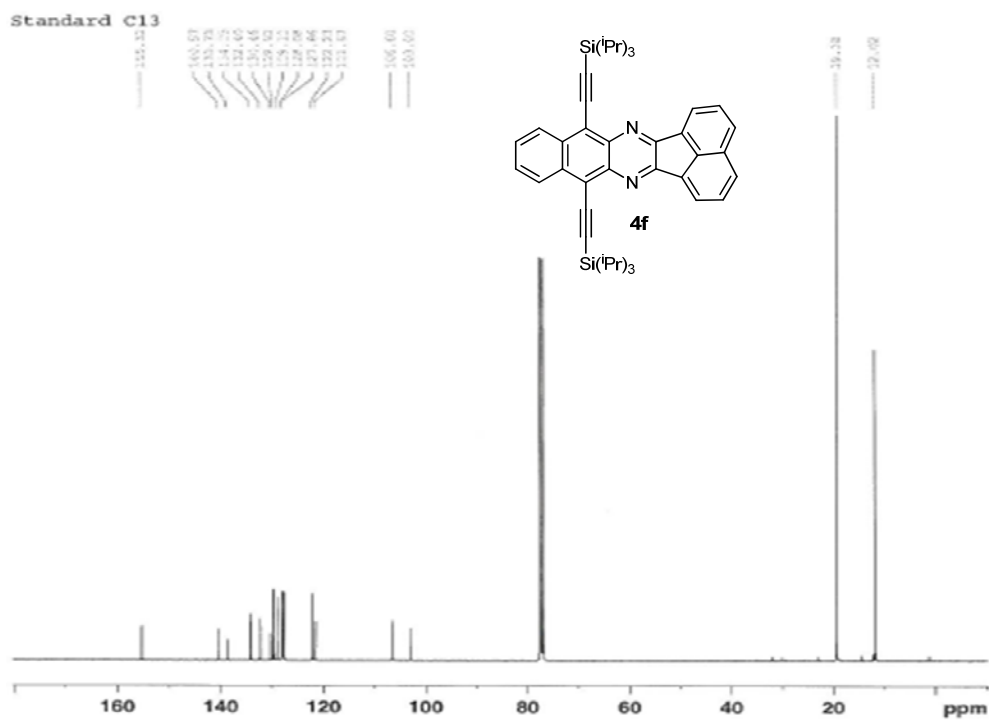


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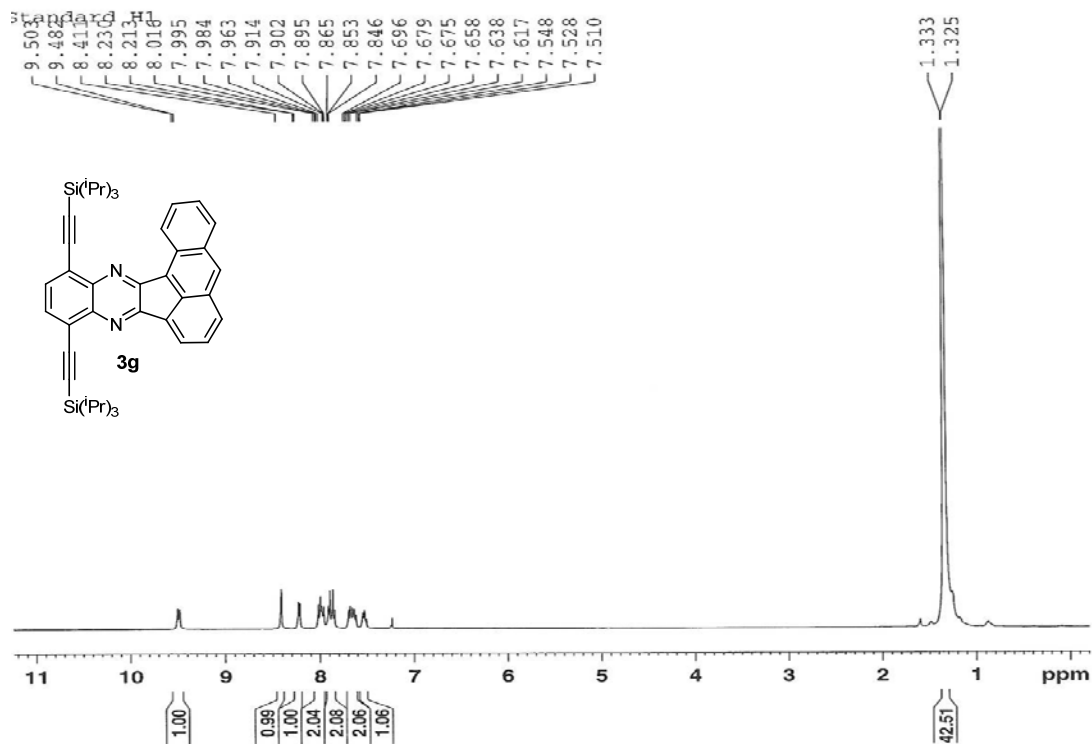


Figure 35: ¹H-NMR of compound 3g.

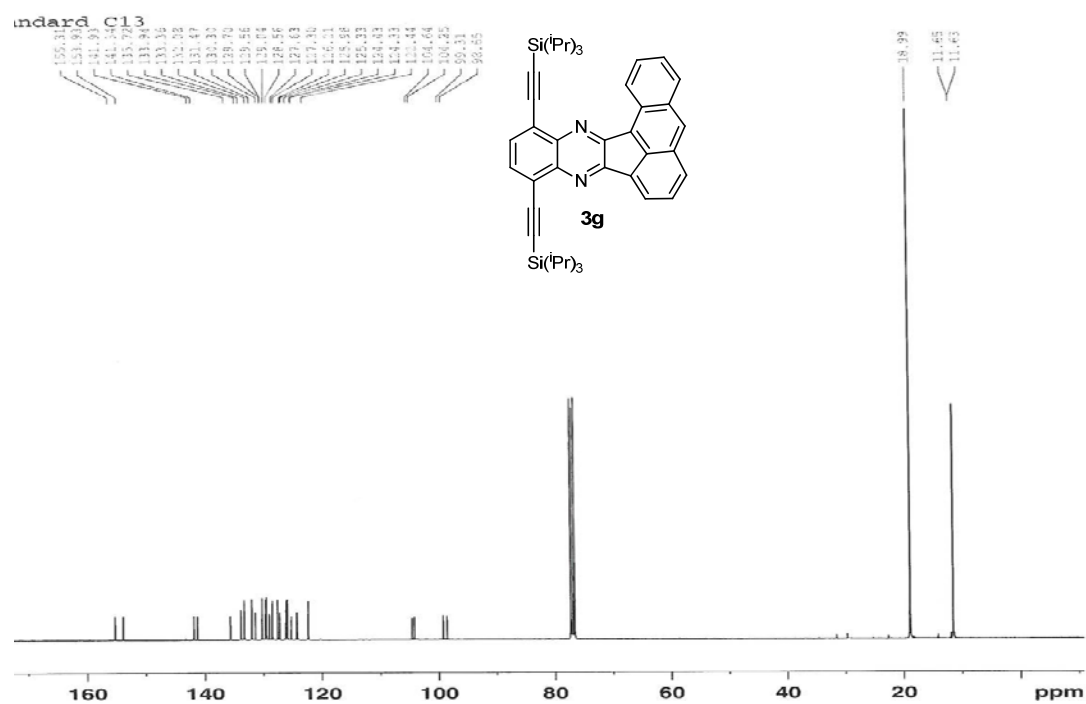


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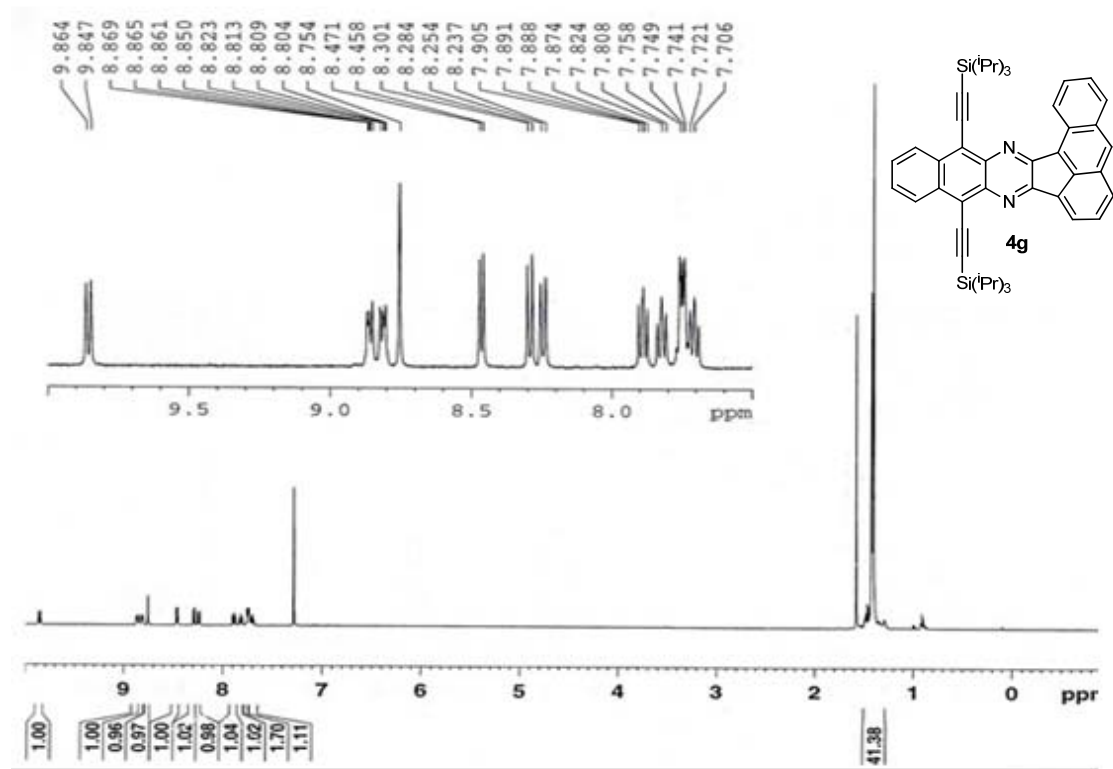


Figure 37: ¹H-NMR of compound 4g.

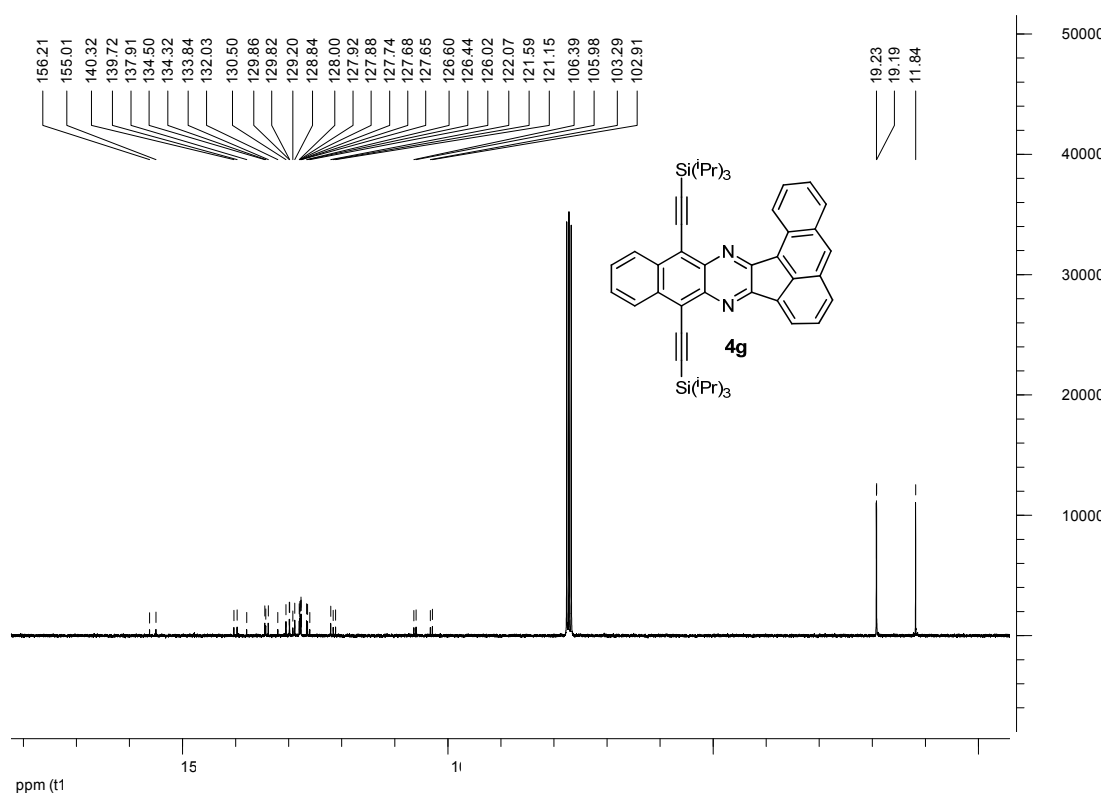


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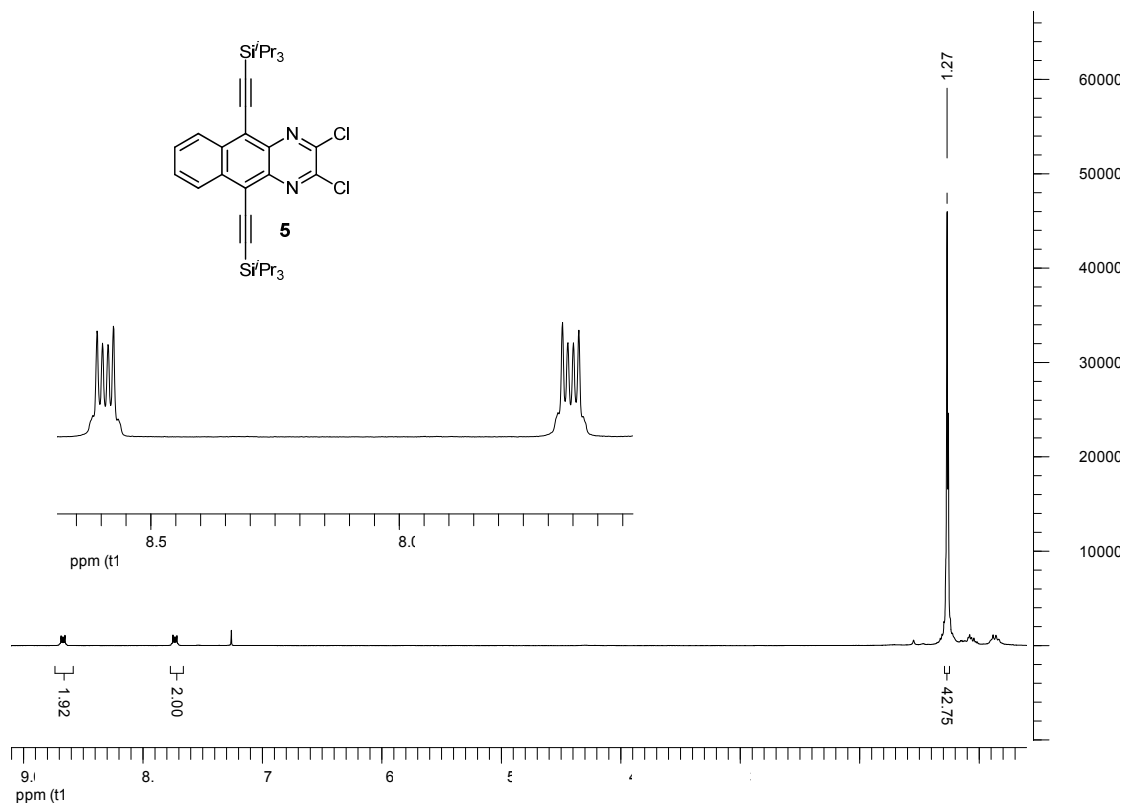


Figure 39: ¹H-NMR of compound 5.

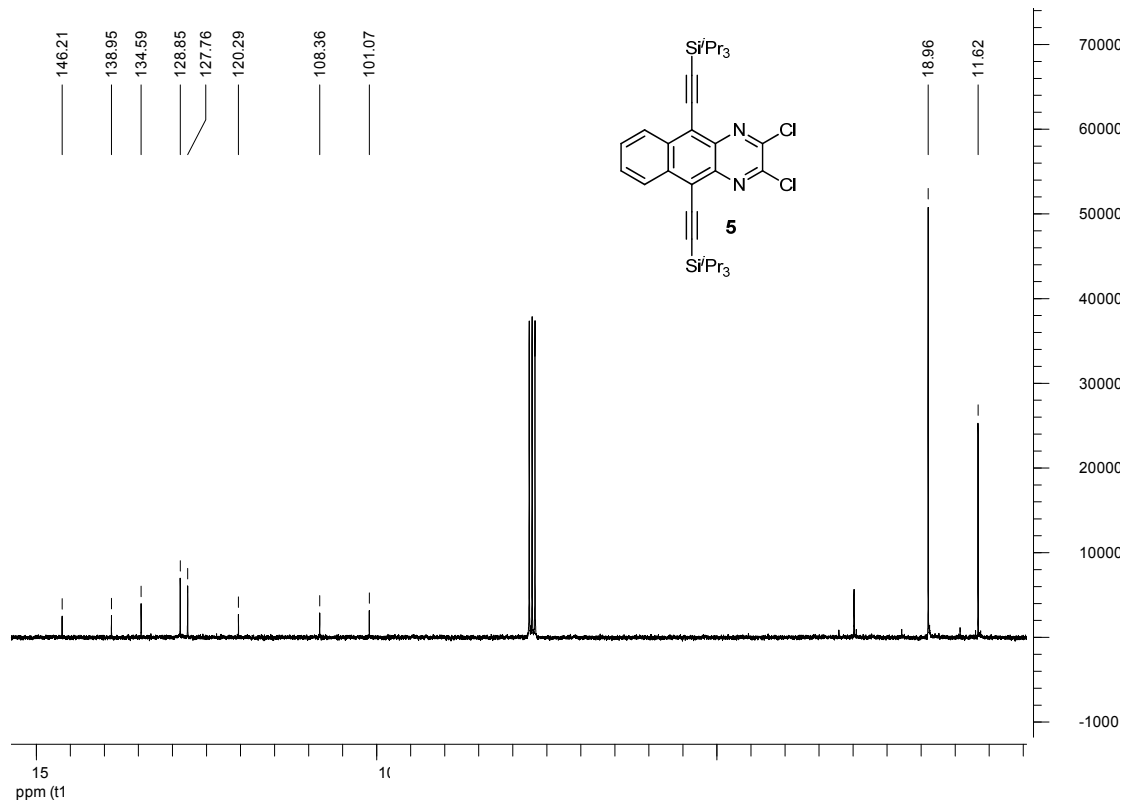


Figure 40: ¹³C-NMR of compound 5.