

*Supporting Information for*

**Electron deficient dicyanovinylene-ladder-type pentaphenylene derivative  
for n-type Organic Field Effect Transistors**

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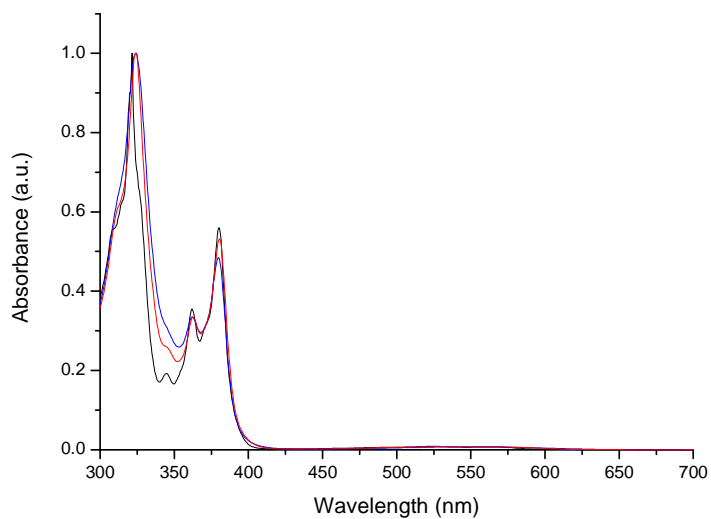
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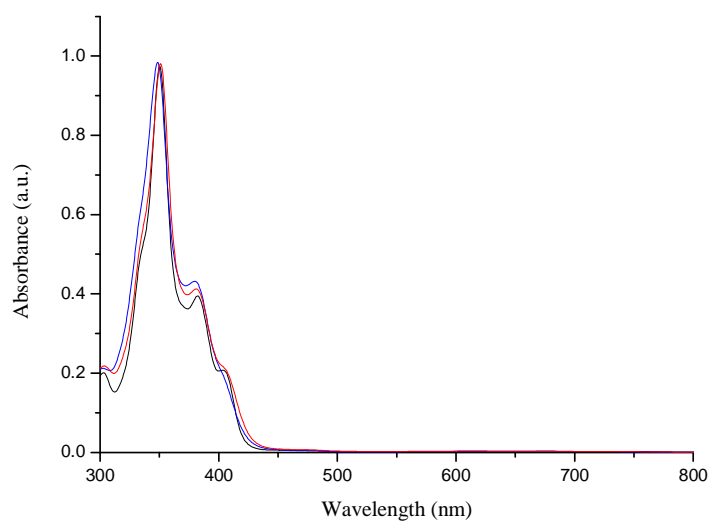
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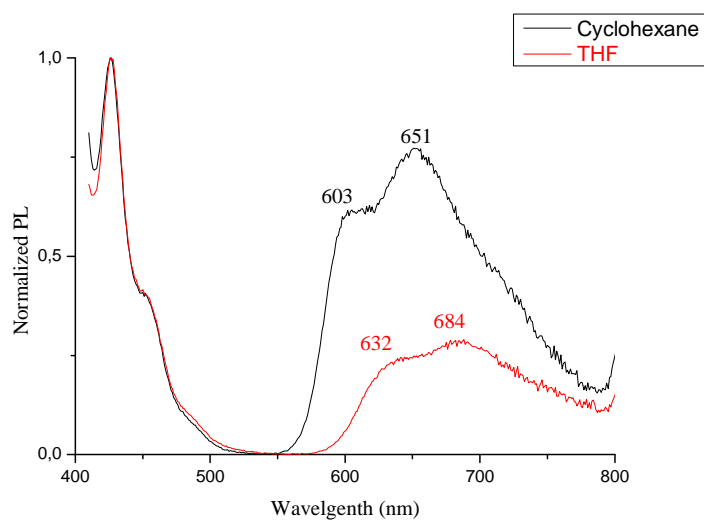
## PHOTOPHYSICAL PROPERTIES



**Figure S1.** Absorption spectra of **LPP(=O)<sub>2</sub>** (300/700 nm) in cyclohexane (black line), in THF (red line) and in ethanol (blue line)

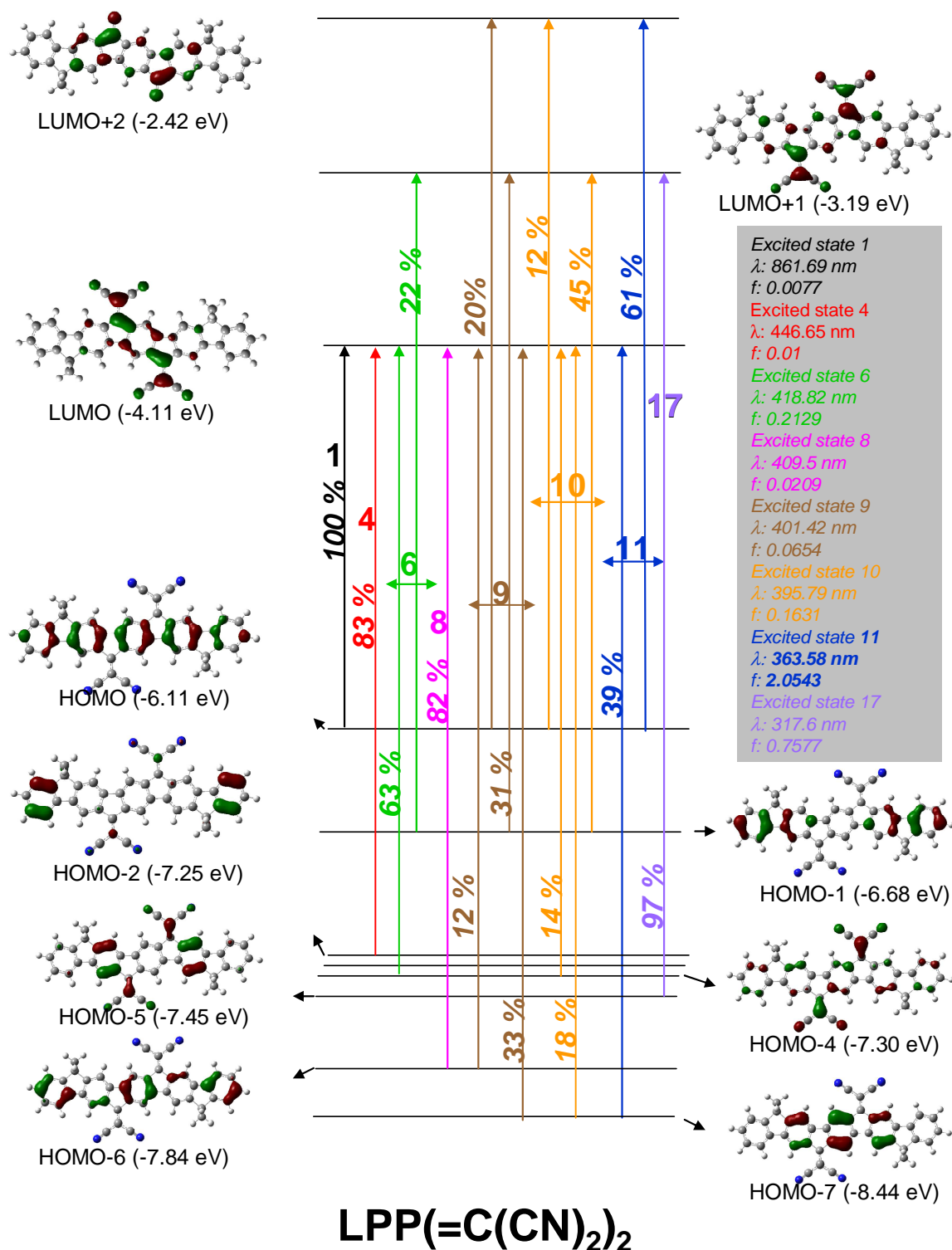


**Figure S2.** Absorption spectra of **LPP(=C(CN)<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>** (300/850 nm range) in cyclohexane (black line), in THF (red line) and in ethanol (blue line)

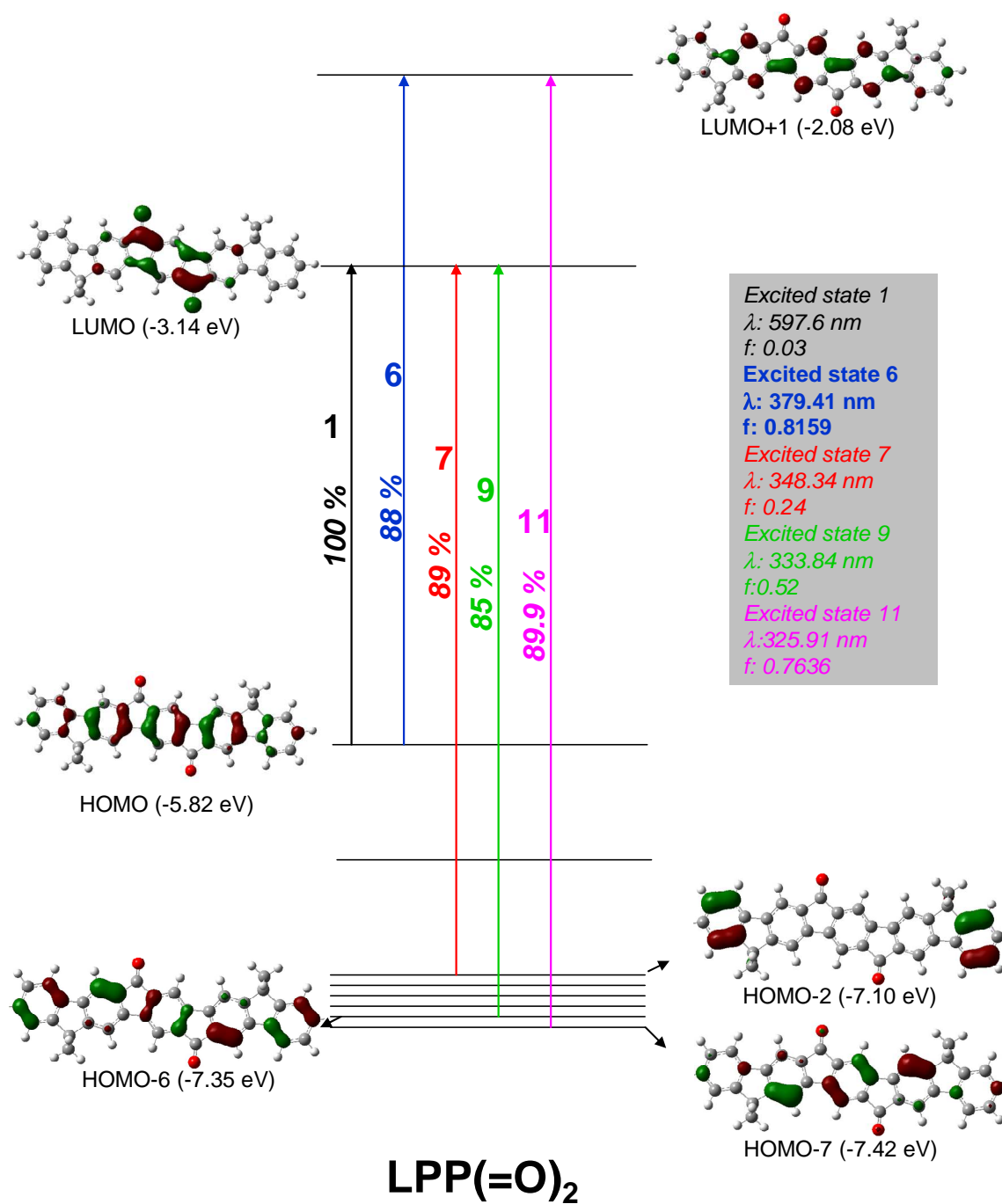


**Figure S3.** Fluorescence spectra of **4** in cyclohexane and in THF ( $\lambda_{exc} = 400$  nm)

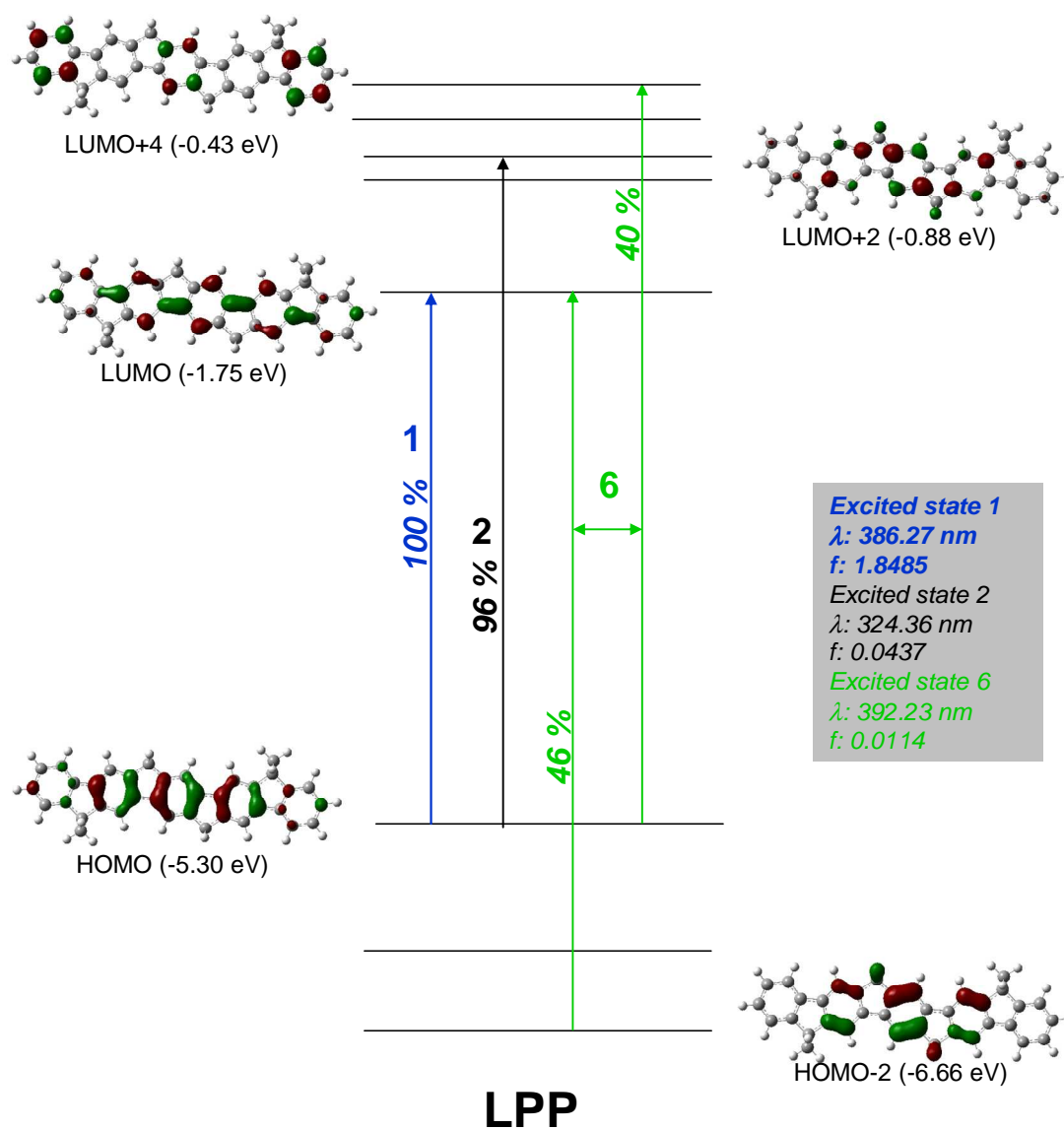
## THEORETICAL MODELING



**Figure S4.** Calculated frontier molecular orbitals by DFT and the 6<sup>th</sup> first calculated electronic transitions by TD-DFT of  $\text{LPP}(\text{C}(\text{CN})_2)_2$ , after geometry optimization with DFT B3LYP/6-311G+(d,p), shown with a cut-off  $0.04 [\text{e bohr}^{-3}]^{1/2}$



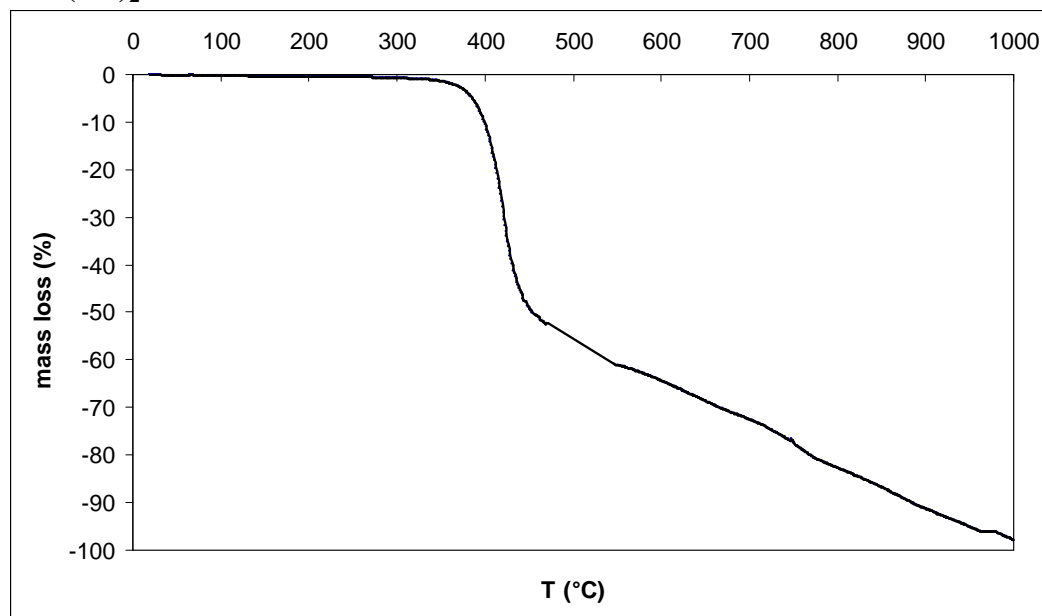
**Figure S5:** Calculated frontier molecular orbitals by DFT and the 6<sup>th</sup> first calculated electronic transitions by TD-DFT of  $\text{LPP}(=\text{O})_2$ , after geometry optimization with DFT B3LYP/6-311G+(d,p), shown with a cut-off 0.04 [e bohr<sup>-3</sup>]<sup>1/2</sup>



**Figure S6:** Calculated frontier molecular orbitals by DFT and the 6<sup>th</sup> first calculated electronic transitions by TD-DFT of **LPP**, after geometry optimization with DFT B3LYP/6-311G+(d,p), shown with a cut-off  $0.04 [e \text{ bohr}^{-3}]^{1/2}$

## THERMAL ANALYSES

**LPP(=O)<sub>2</sub>**



**T<sub>d</sub>=385°C**

Fig S7: ATG curve of **LPP(=C(CN)<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>**

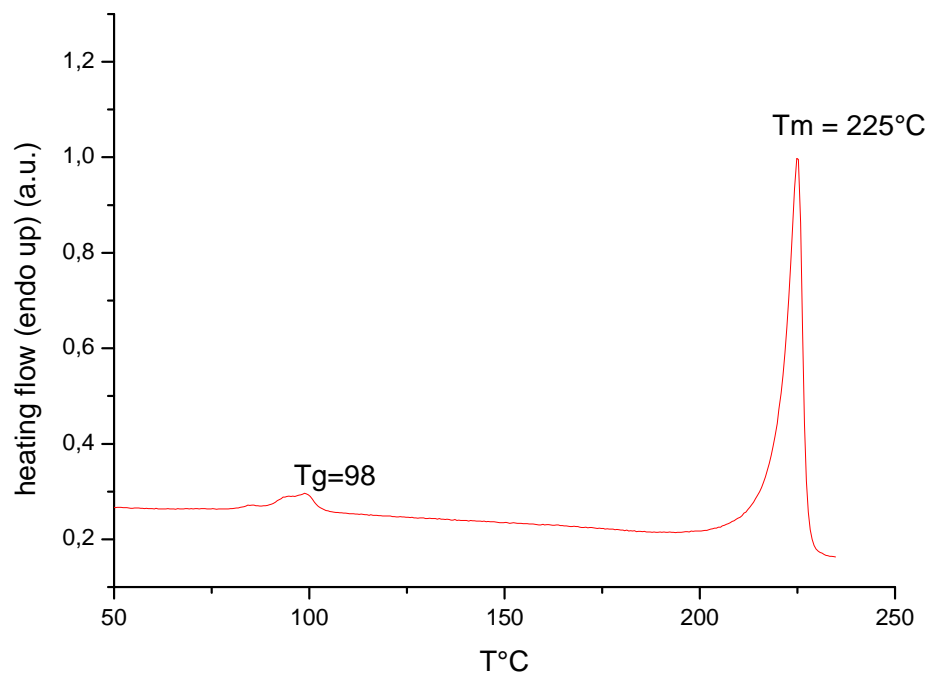


Fig S8: DSC curve (second heating cycle) of **LPP(=O)<sub>2</sub>**



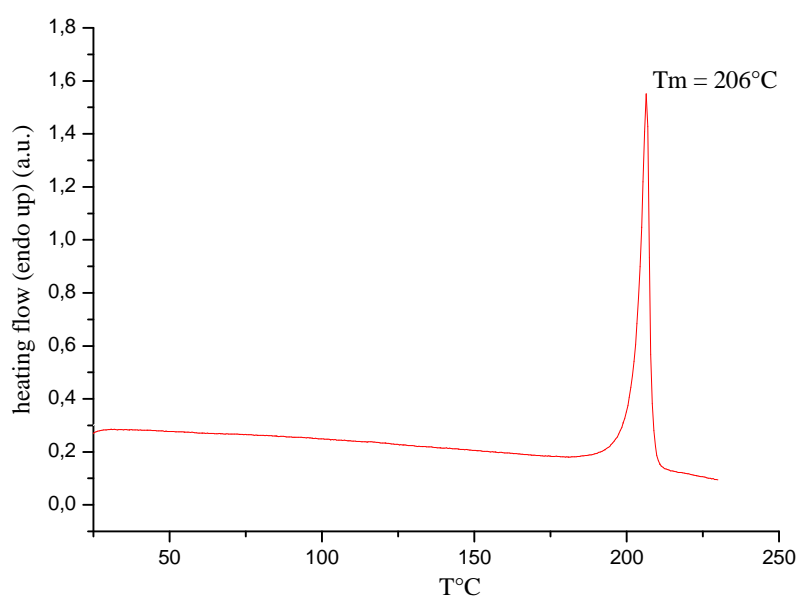
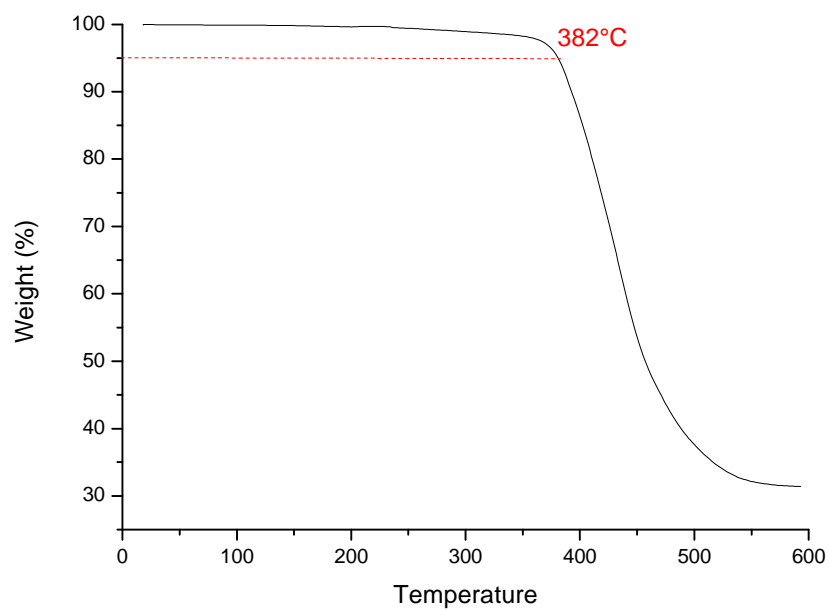


Fig S9: DSC curve (second heating cycle) of  $\text{LPP}(\text{=C}(\text{CN})_2)_2$

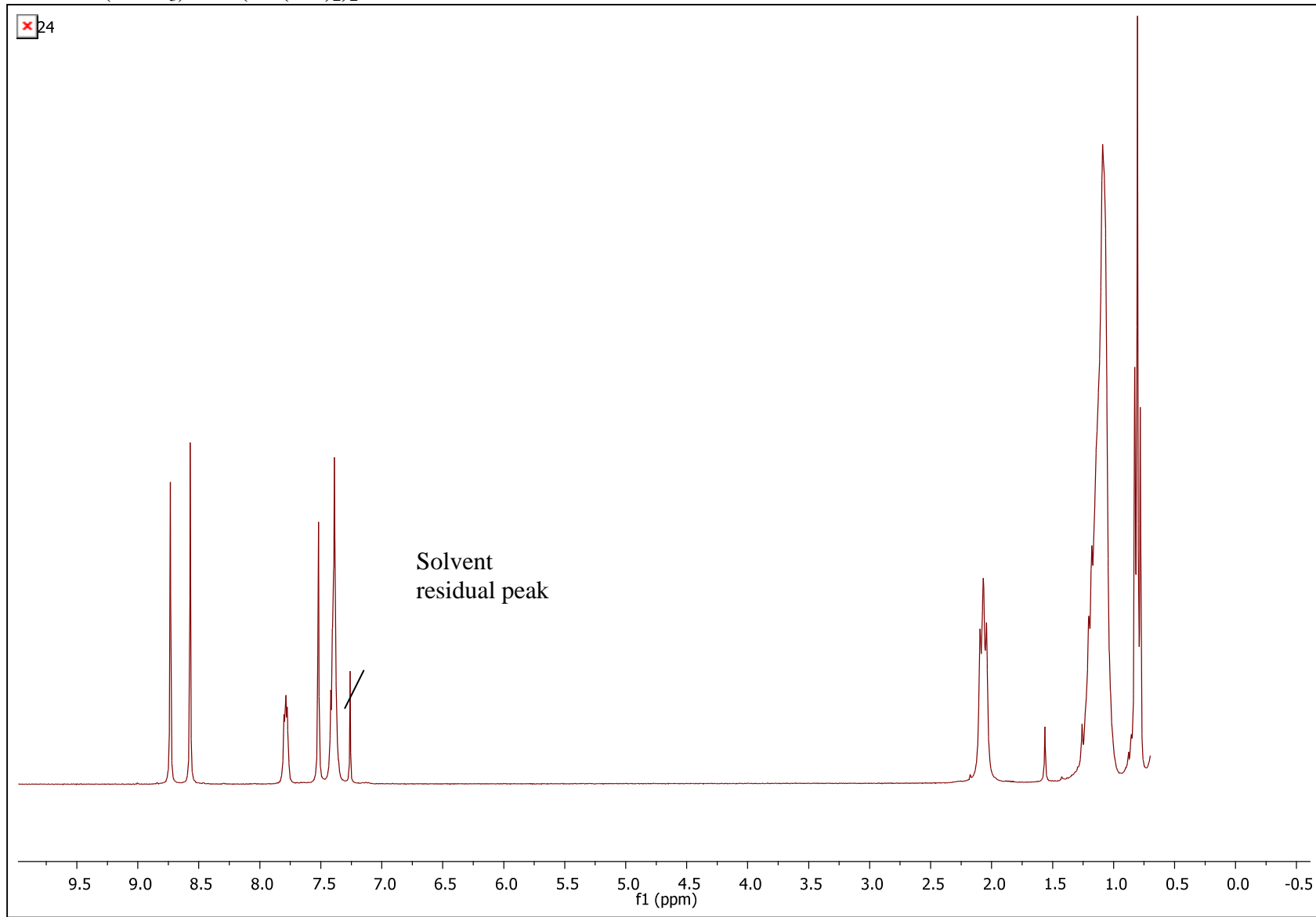


$T_d = 382^\circ\text{C}$

Fig S10: ATG curve of  $\text{LPP}(\text{=C}(\text{CN})_2)_2$

Copy of NMR spectra

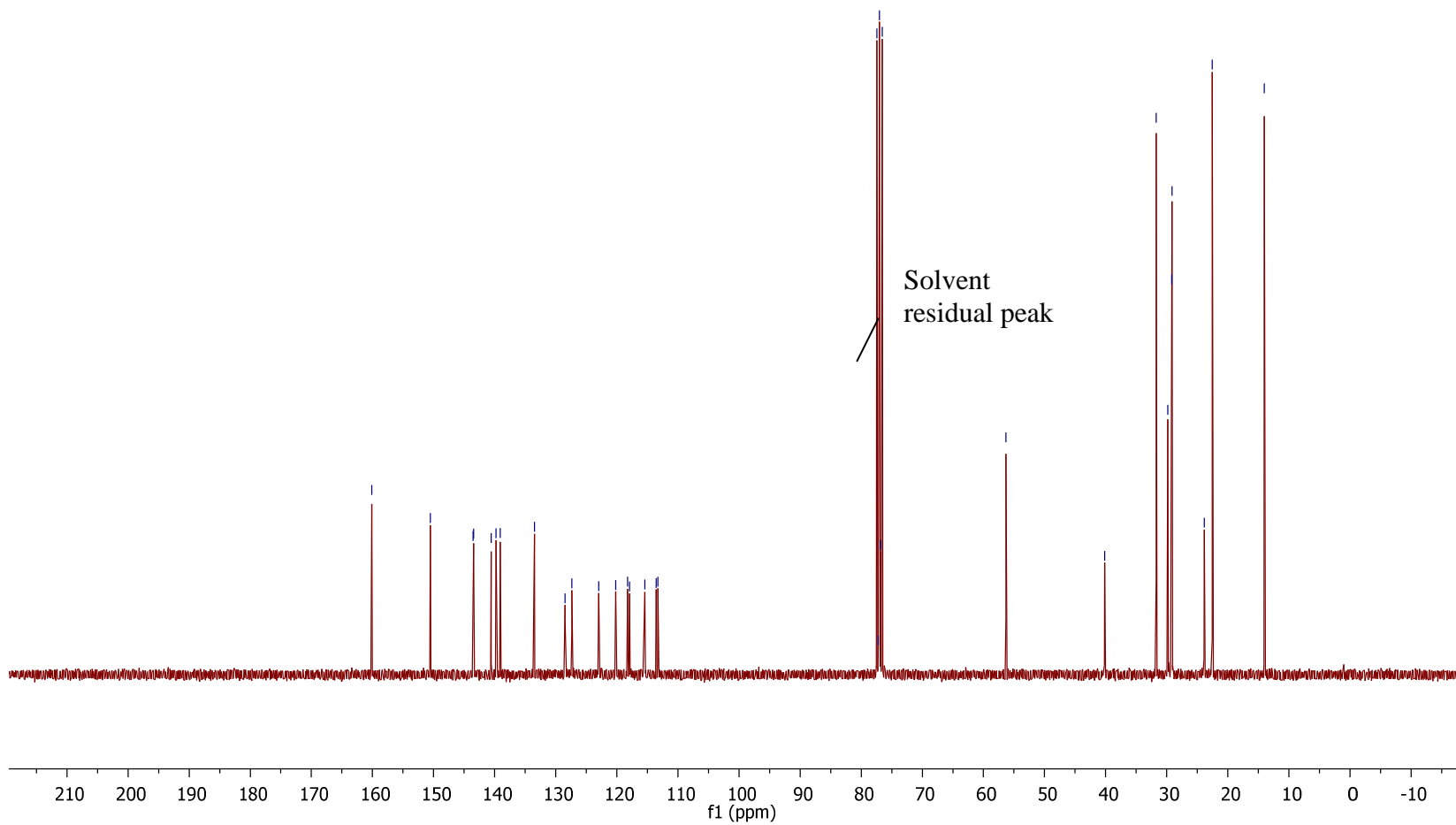
$^1\text{H NMR (CDCl}_3\text{) LPP(C}=\text{(CN)}_2\text{)}_2$



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) **LPP(C=(CN) $_2$ ) $_2$**

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143.54  
143.45  
140.57  
139.77  
139.07  
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23.85  
22.55  
14.03



DEPT (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) **LPP(C=(CN)<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>**

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