

Supporting Information

**Influence of cyano groups on the properties of piezofluorochromic aggregation-induced emission enhancement compounds derived from tetraphenylvinyl-capped ethane**

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**Table S1** The data of dihedral angles of the compounds

Compound	A-A'	A-B	A-C	A-D
<b>biTPE</b>	0 °	77 °	80 °	62 °
<b>biTPE-CN</b>	24 °	77 °	80 °	62 °
<b>TPE-CN</b>	72 °	77 °	80 °	62 °

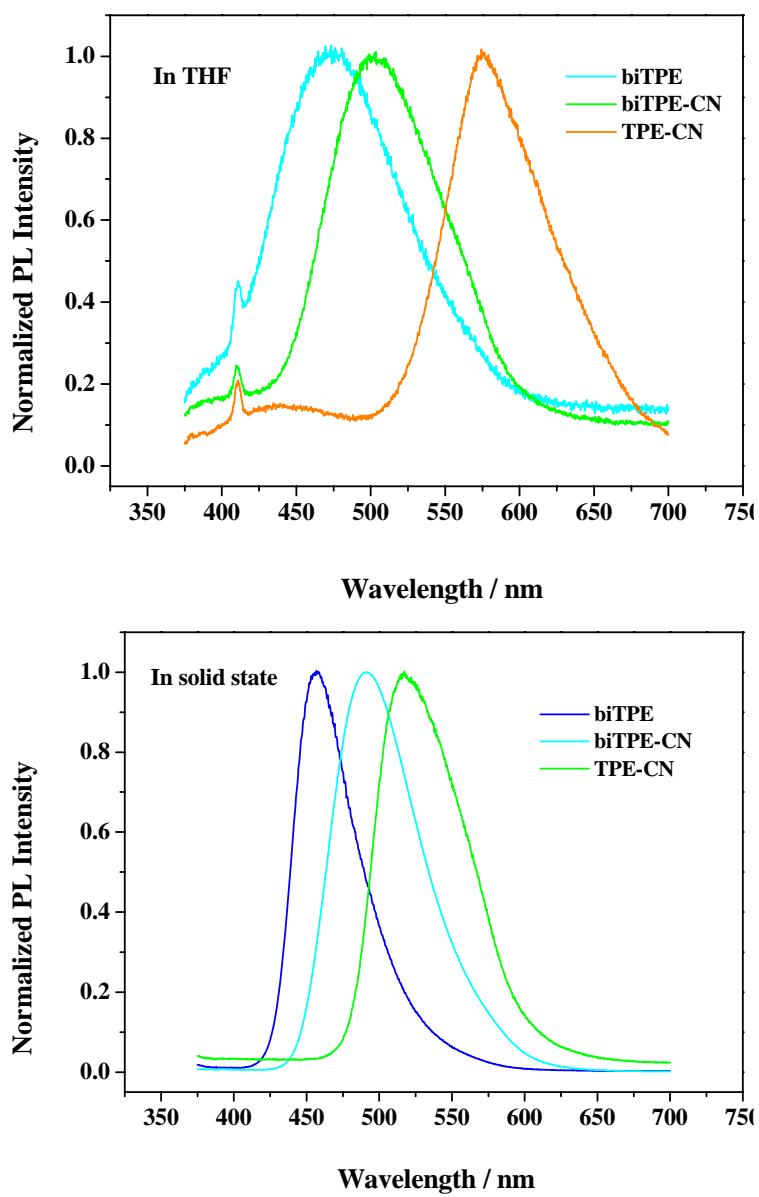


Fig. S1 The PL spectra of the compounds in dilute THF solution (10  $\mu\text{M}$ ) and solid powder states.

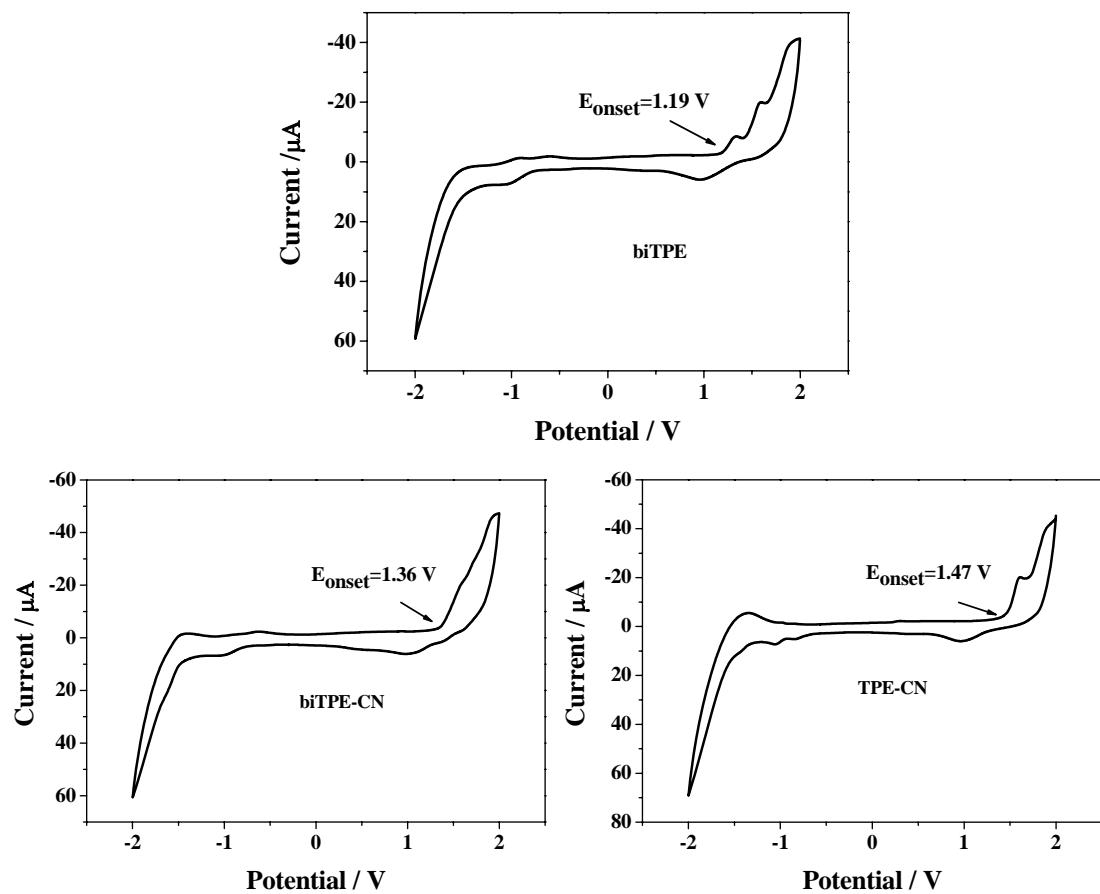


Fig. S2 The CV curves of biTPE, biTPE-CN and TPE-CN.

**Table S2** Crystallographic data of biTPE

	<b>biTPE</b>
empirical formula	$C_{54}H_{40}\cdot C_7H_8$
fw.	780.99
temp, K	173(2)
wavelength, Å	0.71073
cryst syst	Triclinic,
space group	P-1
$a$ , Å	9.6852(14)
$b$ , Å	11.1199(16)
$c$ , Å	21.963(3)
$\alpha$ , deg	93.231(2)
$\beta$ , deg	95.749(2)
$\gamma$ , deg	112.722(2)
$V$ , Å <sup>3</sup>	2159.2(5)
$Z$	2
$d$ (calcd), mg/m <sup>3</sup>	1.201
abs coeff, mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.068
$F(000)$	828
$\theta$ range, deg	1.87 - 27.01
index range	-12 ≤ h ≤ 12
index range	-14 ≤ k ≤ 14
index range	-27 ≤ l ≤ 26
no. of reflns collected	18127
no. of independent reflns	9152
completeness to $\theta = 27.01^\circ$	96.90%
no. of data / restraints / parameters	9152 / 0 / 590
goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.048
final $R$ indices [I > 2σ(I)]	$R_1 = 0.0476$ , $wR_2 = 0.1237$
$R$ indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0779$ , $wR_2 = 0.1416$
Largest diff. peak and hole (e·Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.306 and -0.204

**Table S3** Crystallographic data of biTPE-CN

biTPE-CN	
empirical formula	2C <sub>55</sub> H <sub>39</sub> N·3C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O
fw.	1601.98
temp, K	150(2)
wavelength, Å	1.54178
cryst syst	Monoclinic
space group	C2
<i>a</i> , Å	42.9951(16)
<i>b</i> , Å	9.1135(3)
<i>c</i> , Å	12.2084(5)
$\alpha$ , deg	90
$\beta$ , deg	106.498(4)
$\gamma$ , deg	90
<i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup>	4586.7(3)
<i>Z</i>	2
<i>d</i> (calcd), mg/m <sup>3</sup>	1.16
abs coeff, mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.524
<i>F</i> (000)	1696
$\theta$ range, deg	3.78 – 63.99
index range	-47 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 50
index range	-10 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 8
index range	-13 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 14
no. of reflns collected	12899
no. of independent reflns	5734
completeness to $\theta = 27.01^\circ$	98.20%
no. of data / restraints / parameters	5734 / 16 / 617
goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.054
final <i>R</i> indices [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0556, w <i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1532
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0570, w <i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1552
Largest diff. peak and hole (e·Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.427 and -0.449

## NMR and MS Spectra of the intermediates and target products

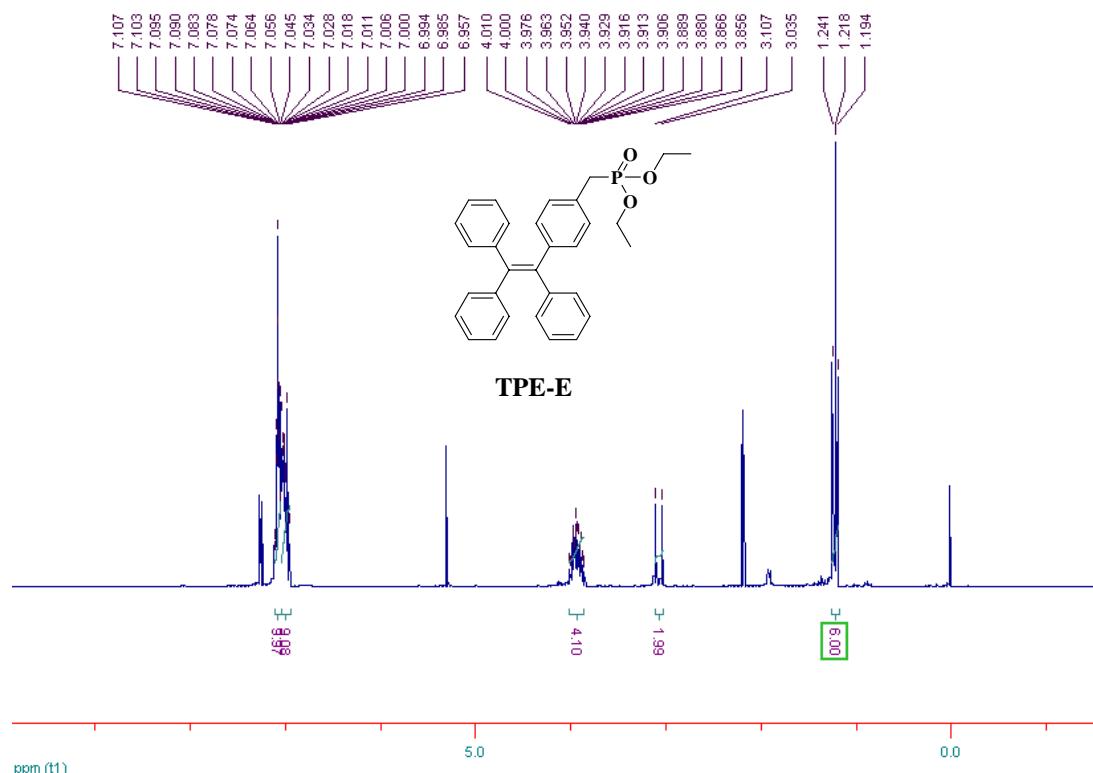


Fig. S3  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of TPE-E.

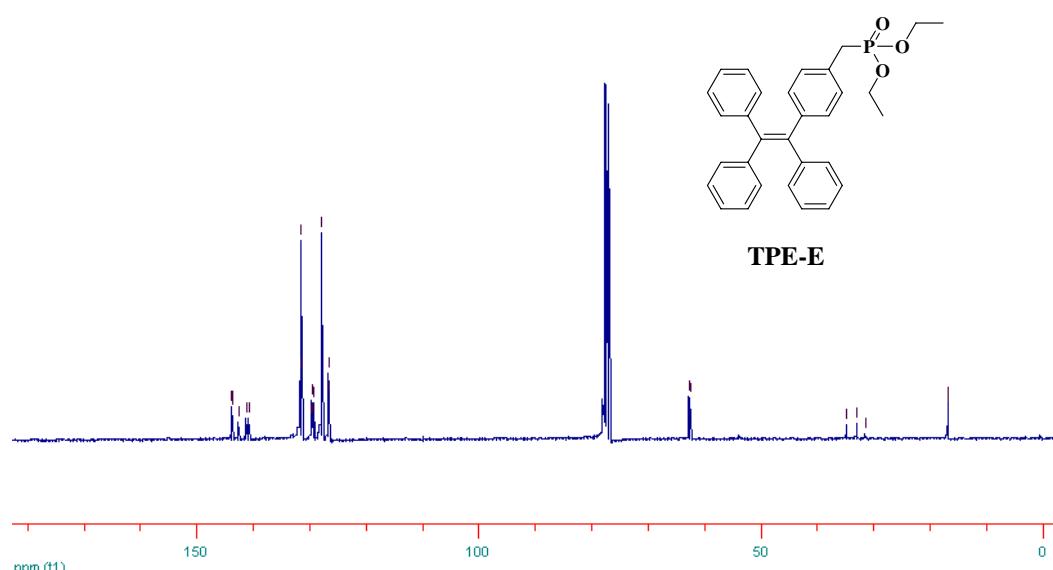
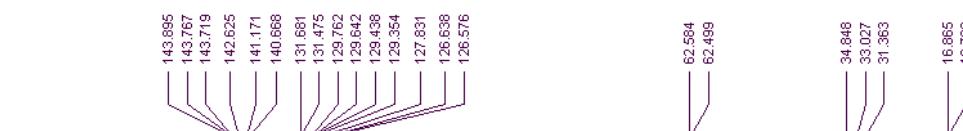


Fig. S4  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of TPE-E.

Instrument:DSQ(Thermo)  
Ionization Method:EI  
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TPE-E

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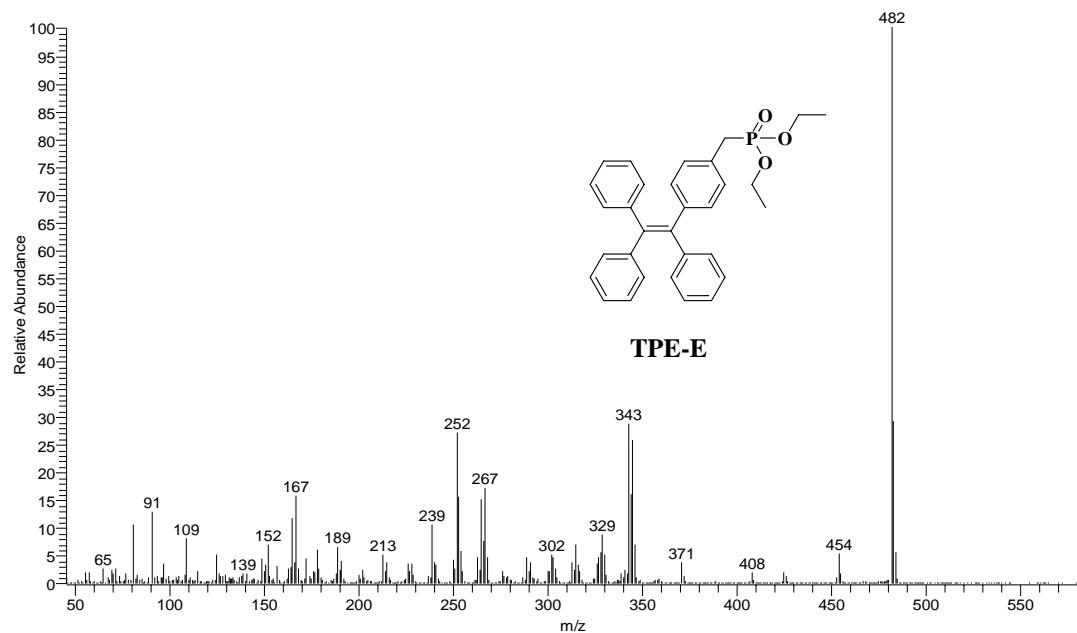


Fig. S5 MS spectrum of TPE-E.

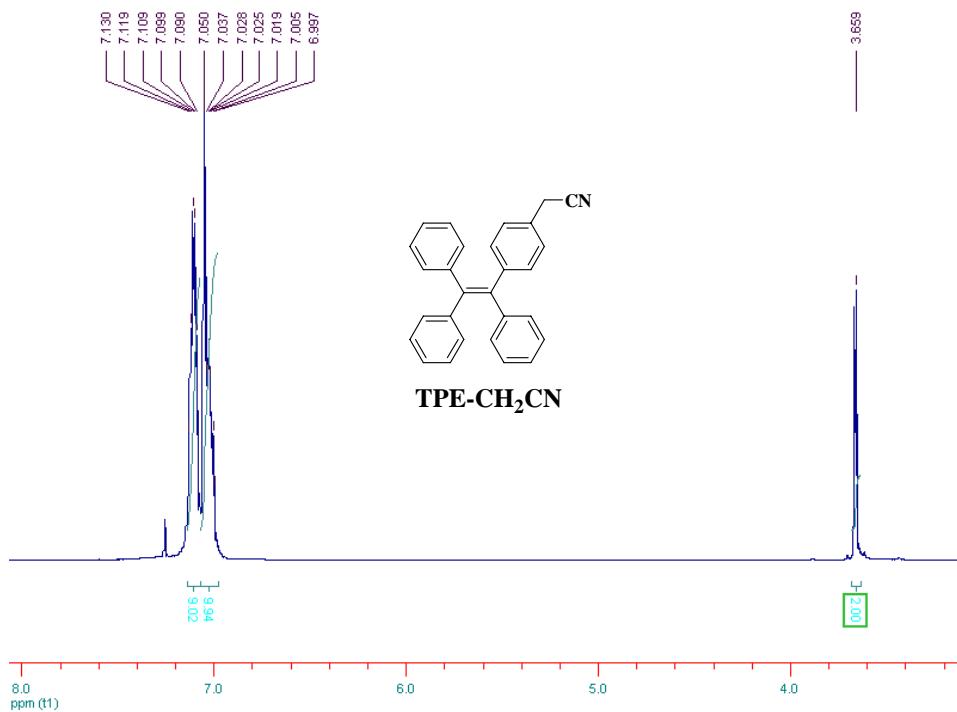


Fig. S6 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of TPE-CH<sub>2</sub>CN.

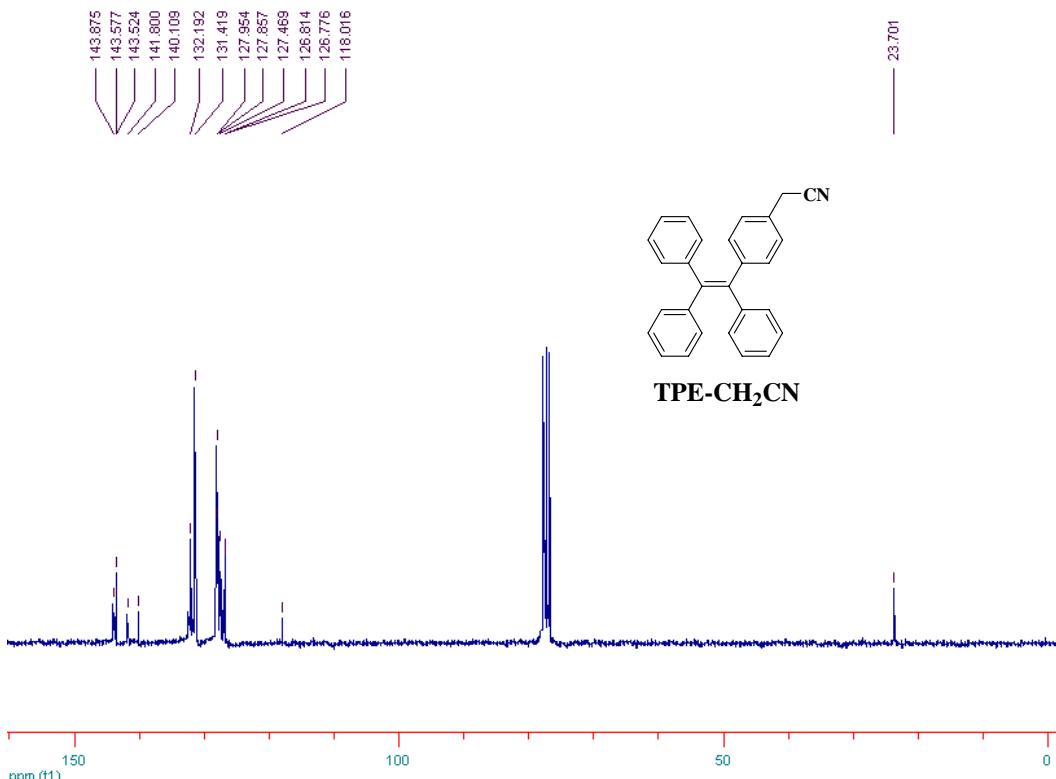


Fig. S7  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of TPE-CH<sub>2</sub>CN.

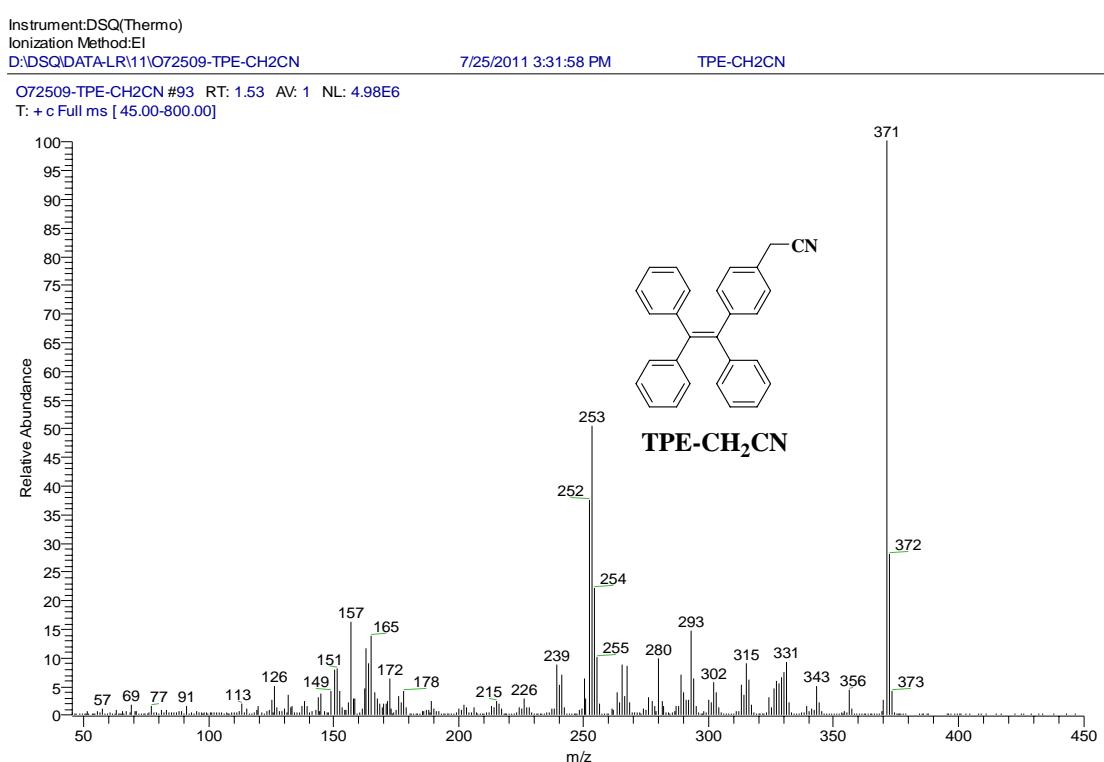


Fig. S8 MS spectrum of TPE-CH<sub>2</sub>CN.

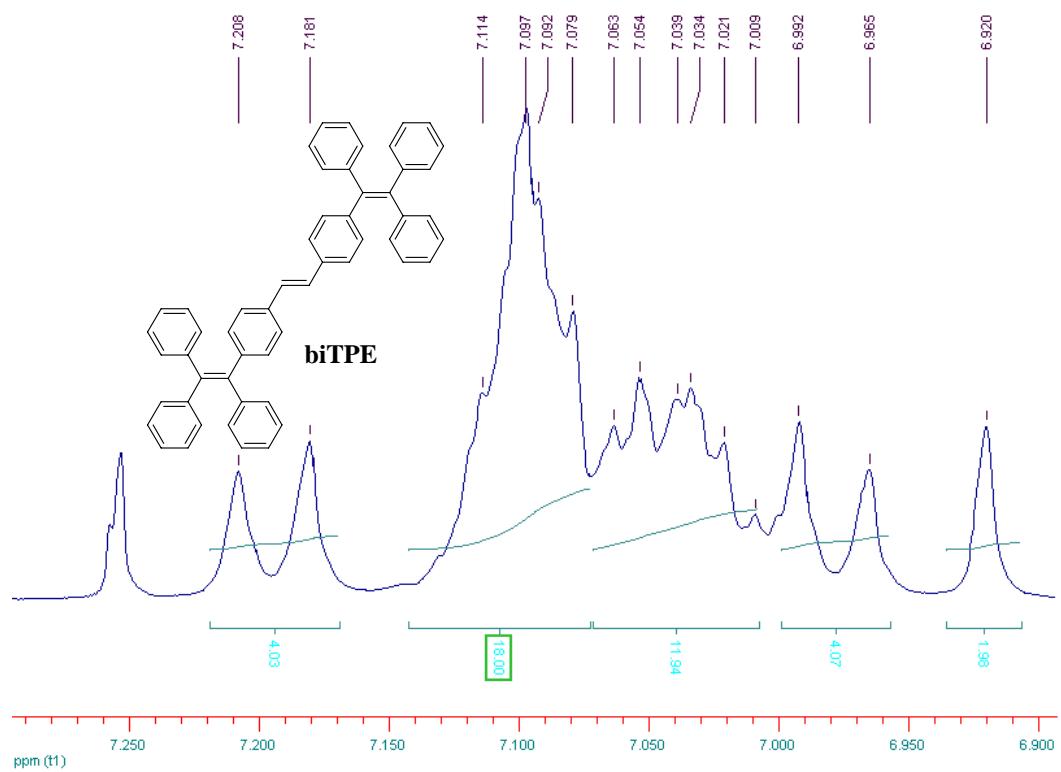


Fig. S9  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of biTPE.

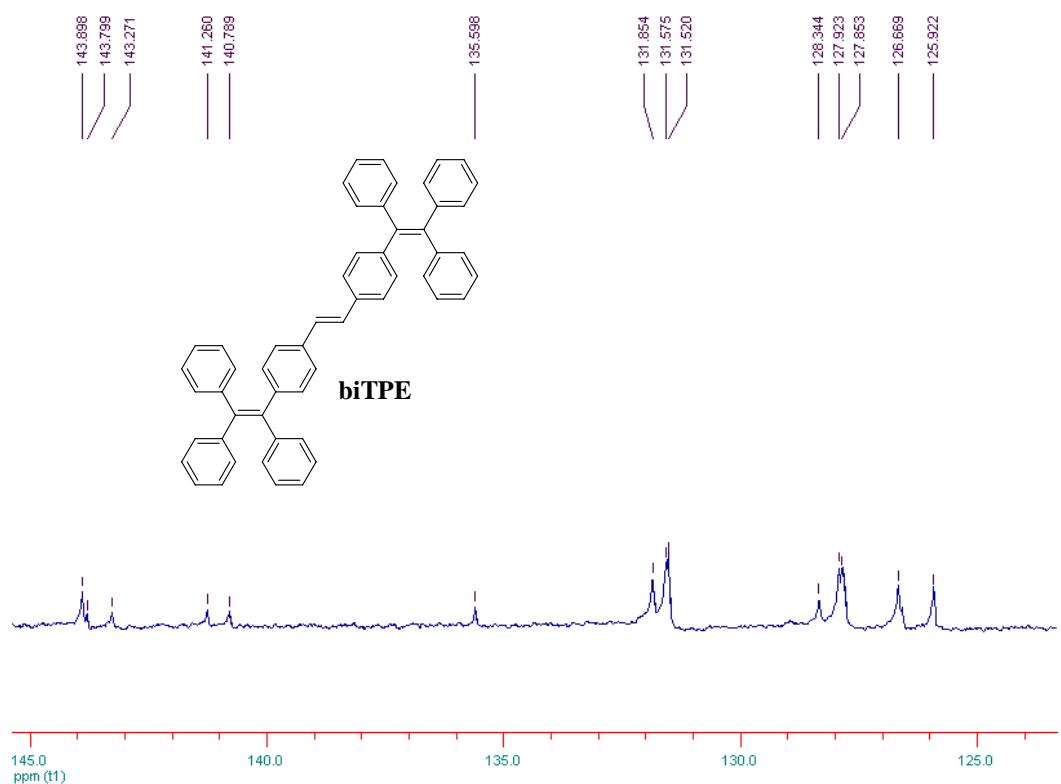


Fig. S10  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of biTPE.

Instrument:DSQ(Thermo)

Ionization Method:EI

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biTPE

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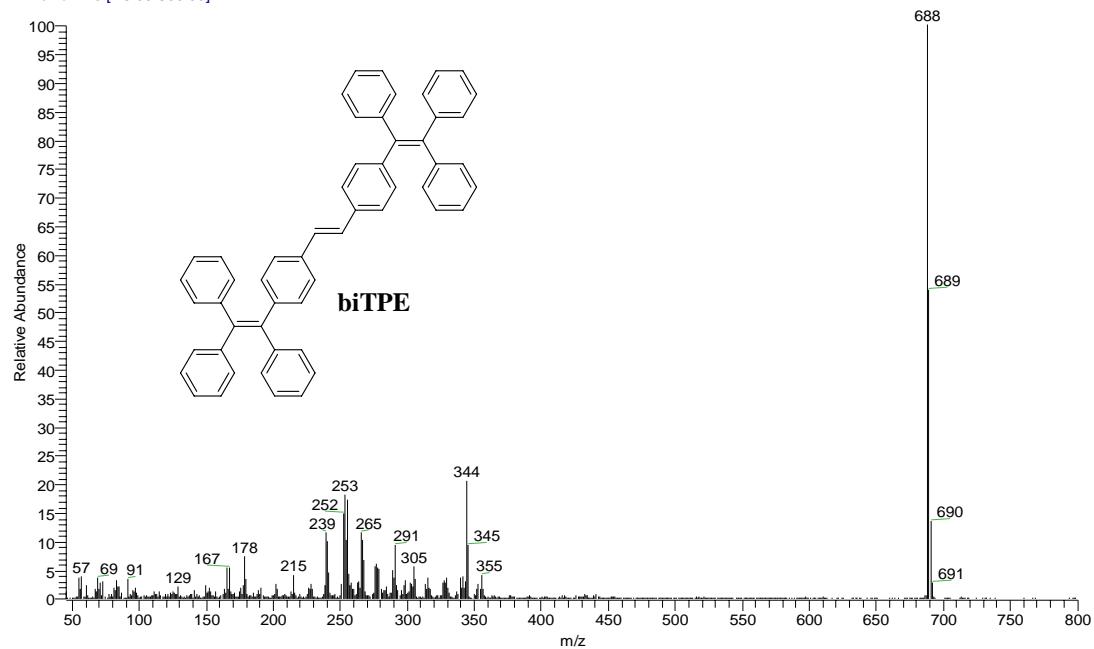


Fig. S11 MS spectrum of biTPE.

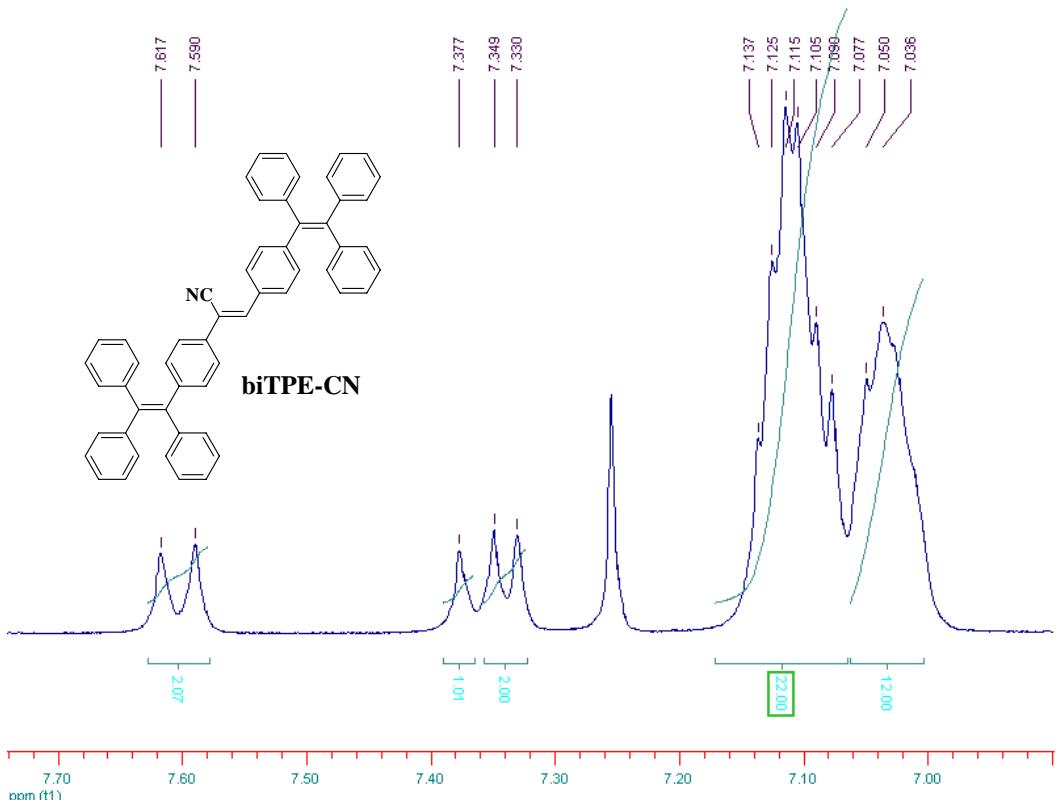


Fig. S12 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of biTPE-CN.

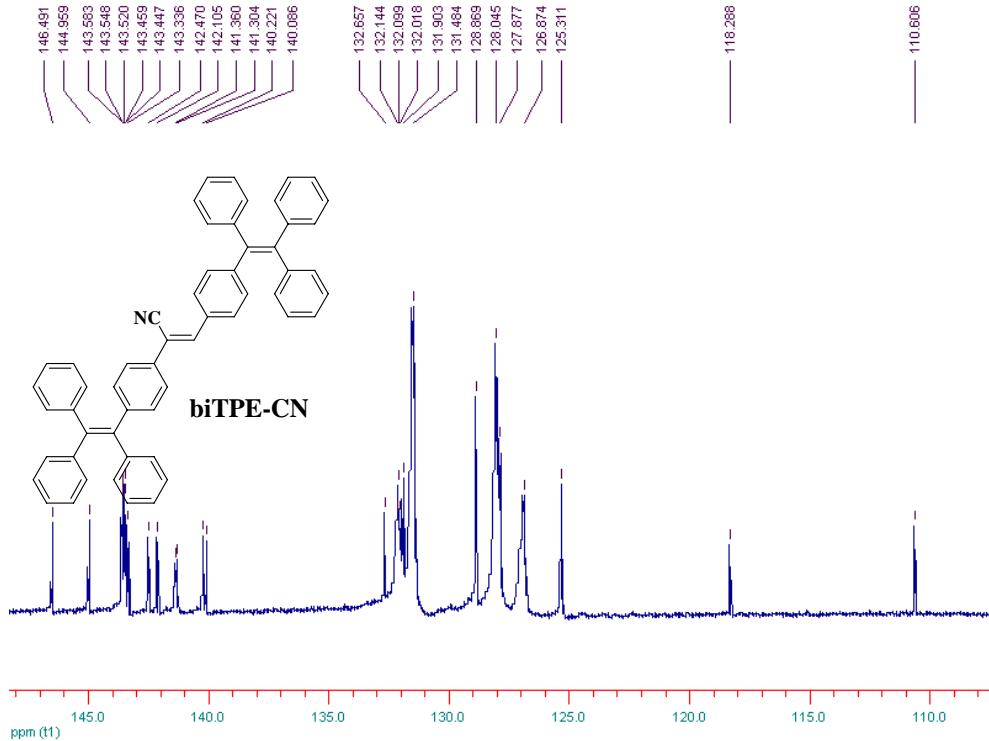


Fig. S13  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of biTPE-CN.

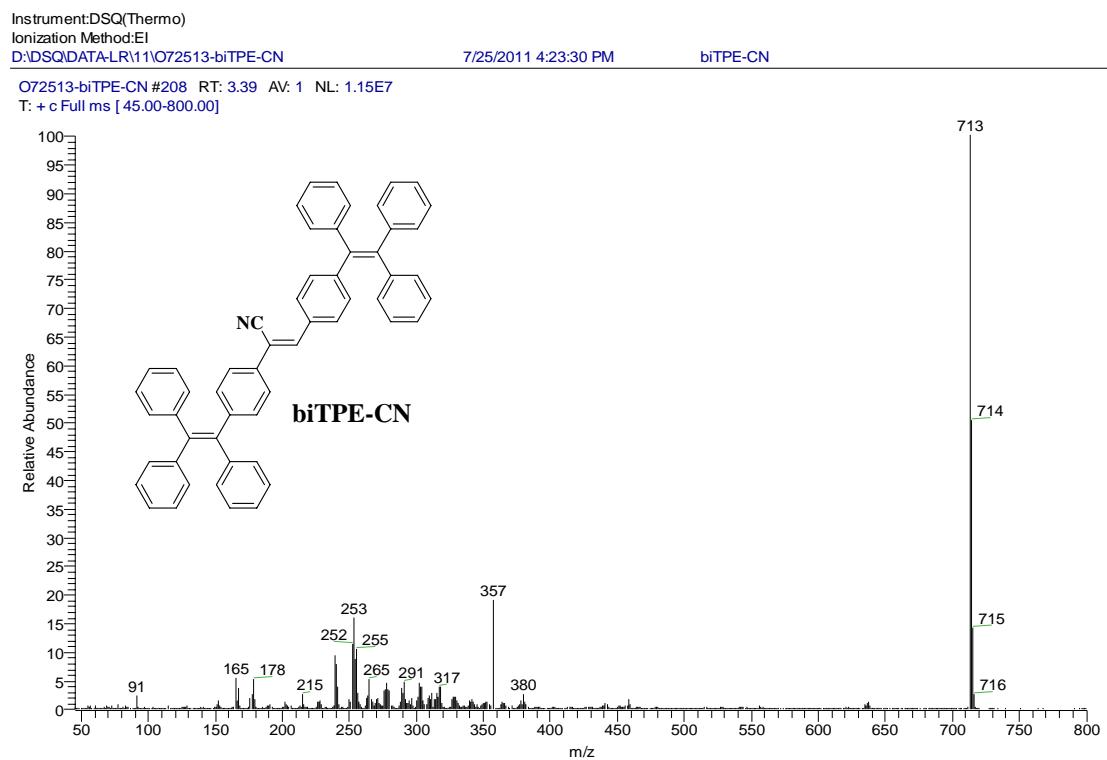


Fig. S14 MS spectrum of biTPE-CN.

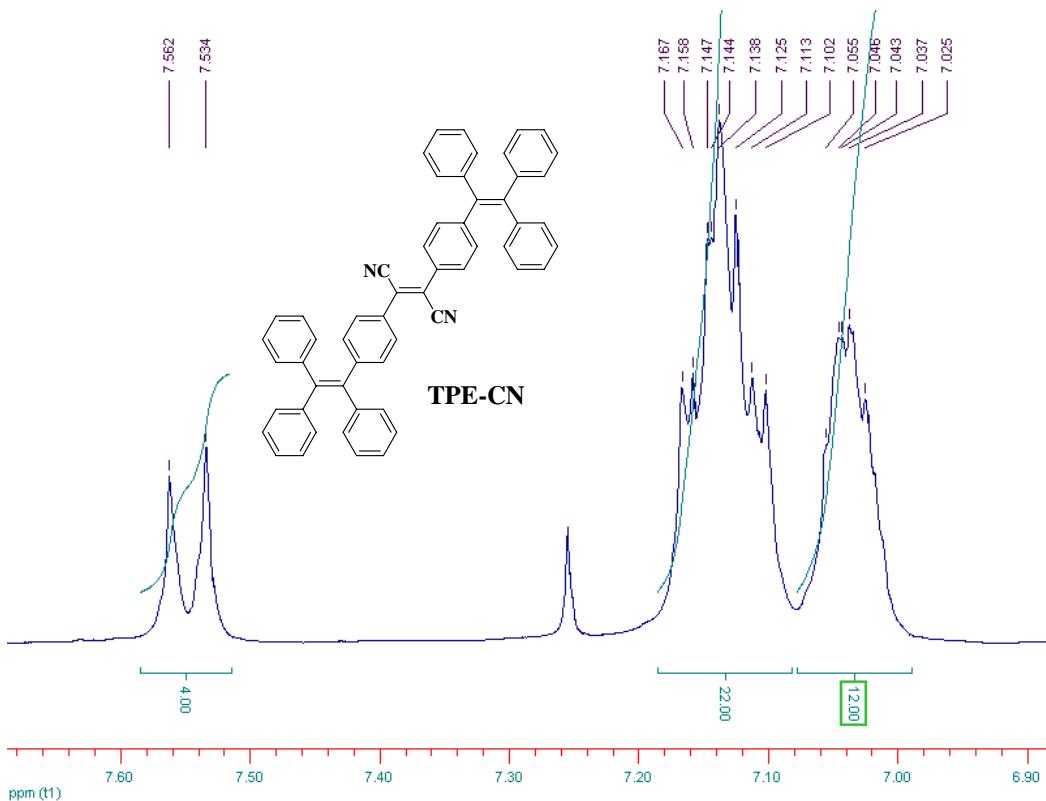


Fig. S15  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of TPE-CN.

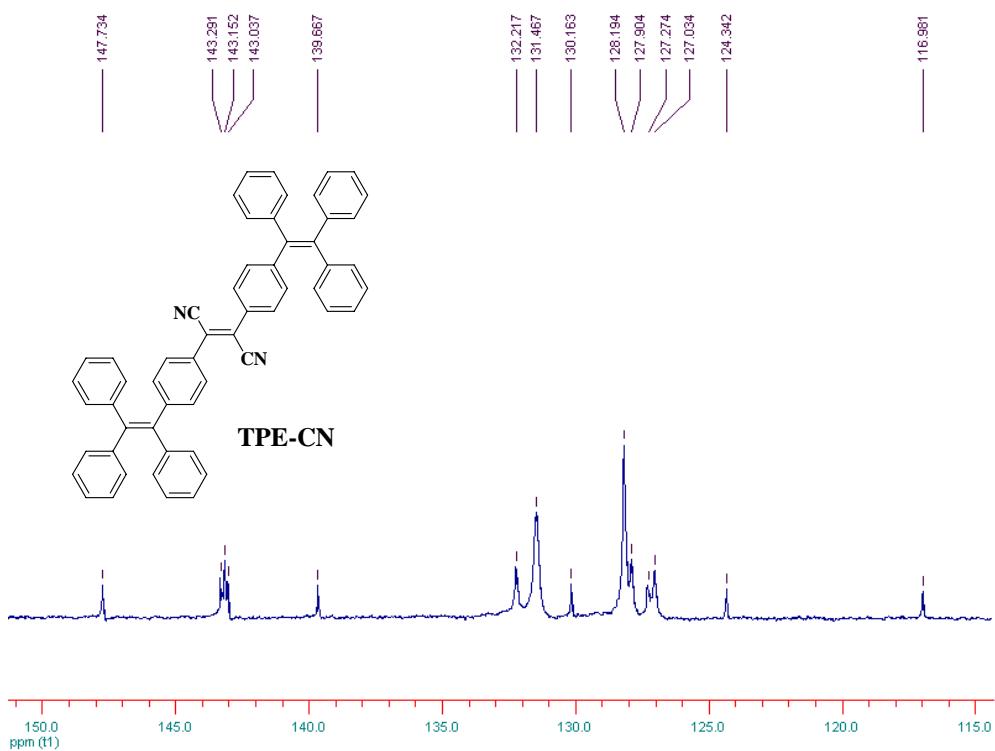


Fig. S16  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of TPE-CN.

Instrument:DSQ(Thermo)

Ionization Method:EI

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TPE-CN

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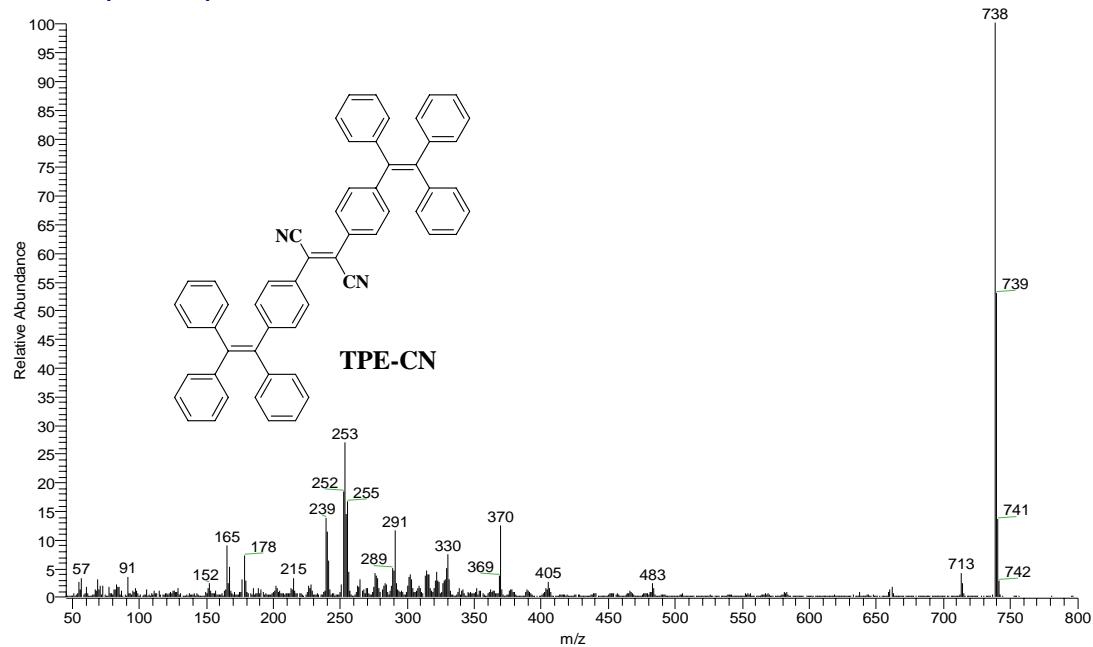


Fig. S17 MS spectrum of TPE-CN.