

## Supporting Information

### **Controllable Fluorescence Switching of a Coordination Chain Based on the Photo-Induced Single-Crystal-to-Single-Crystal Reversible Transformation of a *syn*-[2.2]Metacyclophane**

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**Table S1.** Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) for related coordination compounds**Complex 1**

|                   |            |                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Cd(1)-O(1)        | 2.287(3)   | Cd(1)-O(4)        | 2.287(3)   |
| Cd(1)-N(3)        | 2.308(4)   | Cd(1)-N(2)        | 2.318(4)   |
| Cd(1)-O(3A)       | 2.411(3)   | Cd(1)-O(3)        | 2.565(3)   |
| Cd(1)-O(2)        | 2.573(3)   | Cd(2)-O(5)        | 2.297(4)   |
| Cd(2)-N(4)        | 2.305(4)   | Cd(2)-N(1B)       | 2.314(4)   |
| Cd(2)-O(8C)       | 2.320(3)   | Cd(2)-O(7)        | 2.470(4)   |
| Cd(2)-O(6)        | 2.492(4)   | Cd(2)-O(7C)       | 2.565(3)   |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(4)   | 143.26(12) | O(1)-Cd(1)-N(3)   | 90.10(13)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-N(3)   | 93.92(13)  | O(1)-Cd(1)-N(2)   | 87.40(13)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-N(2)   | 90.73(13)  | N(3)-Cd(1)-N(2)   | 174.92(13) |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(3A)  | 85.66(11)  | O(4)-Cd(1)-O(3A)  | 130.46(11) |
| N(3)-Cd(1)-O(3A)  | 92.82(12)  | N(2)-Cd(1)-O(3A)  | 82.58(12)  |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 161.00(11) | O(4)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 53.32(10)  |
| N(3)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 98.68(12)  | N(2)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 82.47(12)  |
| O(3A)-Cd(1)-O(3)  | 77.15(10)  | O(1)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 53.05(10)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 90.49(11)  | N(3)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 88.81(12)  |
| N(2)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 93.21(12)  | O(3A)-Cd(1)-O(2)  | 138.70(10) |
| O(3)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 143.27(9)  | O(5)-Cd(2)-N(4)   | 92.54(14)  |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-N(1B)  | 91.37(14)  | N(4)-Cd(2)-N(1B)  | 175.06(13) |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-O(8C)  | 146.02(14) | N(4)-Cd(2)-O(8C)  | 90.83(13)  |
| N(1B)-Cd(2)-O(8C) | 87.61(14)  | O(5)-Cd(2)-O(7)   | 83.47(12)  |
| N(4)-Cd(2)-O(7)   | 91.65(13)  | N(1B)-Cd(2)-O(7)  | 85.79(13)  |
| O(8C)-Cd(2)-O(7)  | 130.22(12) | O(5)-Cd(2)-O(6)   | 54.23(12)  |
| N(4)-Cd(2)-O(6)   | 88.59(13)  | N(1B)-Cd(2)-O(6)  | 96.15(13)  |
| O(8C)-Cd(2)-O(6)  | 92.10(13)  | O(7)-Cd(2)-O(6)   | 137.65(11) |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-O(7C)  | 160.11(12) | N(4)-Cd(2)-O(7C)  | 92.60(12)  |
| N(1B)-Cd(2)-O(7C) | 82.71(13)  | O(8C)-Cd(2)-O(7C) | 53.04(12)  |

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| O(7)-Cd(2)-O(7C) | 77.19(12) | O(6)-Cd(2)-O(7C) | 145.12(11) |
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### Complex 3

|                   |            |                  |            |
|-------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| Cd(1)-O(3)        | 2.282(3)   | Cd(1)-O(2)       | 2.303(3)   |
| Cd(1)-N(2A)       | 2.327(4)   | Cd(1)-N(1)       | 2.333(4)   |
| Cd(1)-O(1B)       | 2.358(3)   | Cd(1)-O(1)       | 2.623(3)   |
| Cd(1)-O(4)        | 2.628(3)   |                  |            |
| O(3)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 143.73(12) | O(3)-Cd(1)-N(2A) | 92.76(15)  |
| O(2)-Cd(1)-N(2A)  | 90.66(13)  | O(3)-Cd(1)-N(1)  | 90.72(14)  |
| O(2)-Cd(1)-N(1)   | 88.47(12)  | N(2A)-Cd(1)-N(1) | 175.22(12) |
| O(3)-Cd(1)-O(1B)  | 88.39(12)  | O(2)-Cd(1)-O(1B) | 127.68(10) |
| N(2A)-Cd(1)-O(1B) | 90.63(13)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(1B) | 86.19(12)  |
| O(3)-Cd(1)-O(1)   | 163.56(11) | O(2)-Cd(1)-O(1)  | 52.25(10)  |
| N(2A)-Cd(1)-O(1)  | 90.44(12)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(1)  | 85.30(11)  |
| O(1B)-Cd(1)-O(1)  | 75.44(11)  | O(3)-Cd(1)-O(4)  | 52.11(11)  |
| O(2)-Cd(1)-O(4)   | 91.66(11)  | N(2A)-Cd(1)-O(4) | 93.01(12)  |
| N(1)-Cd(1)-O(4)   | 91.72(12)  | O(1B)-Cd(1)-O(4) | 140.45(11) |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(4)   | 143.80(10) |                  |            |

### Complex 4

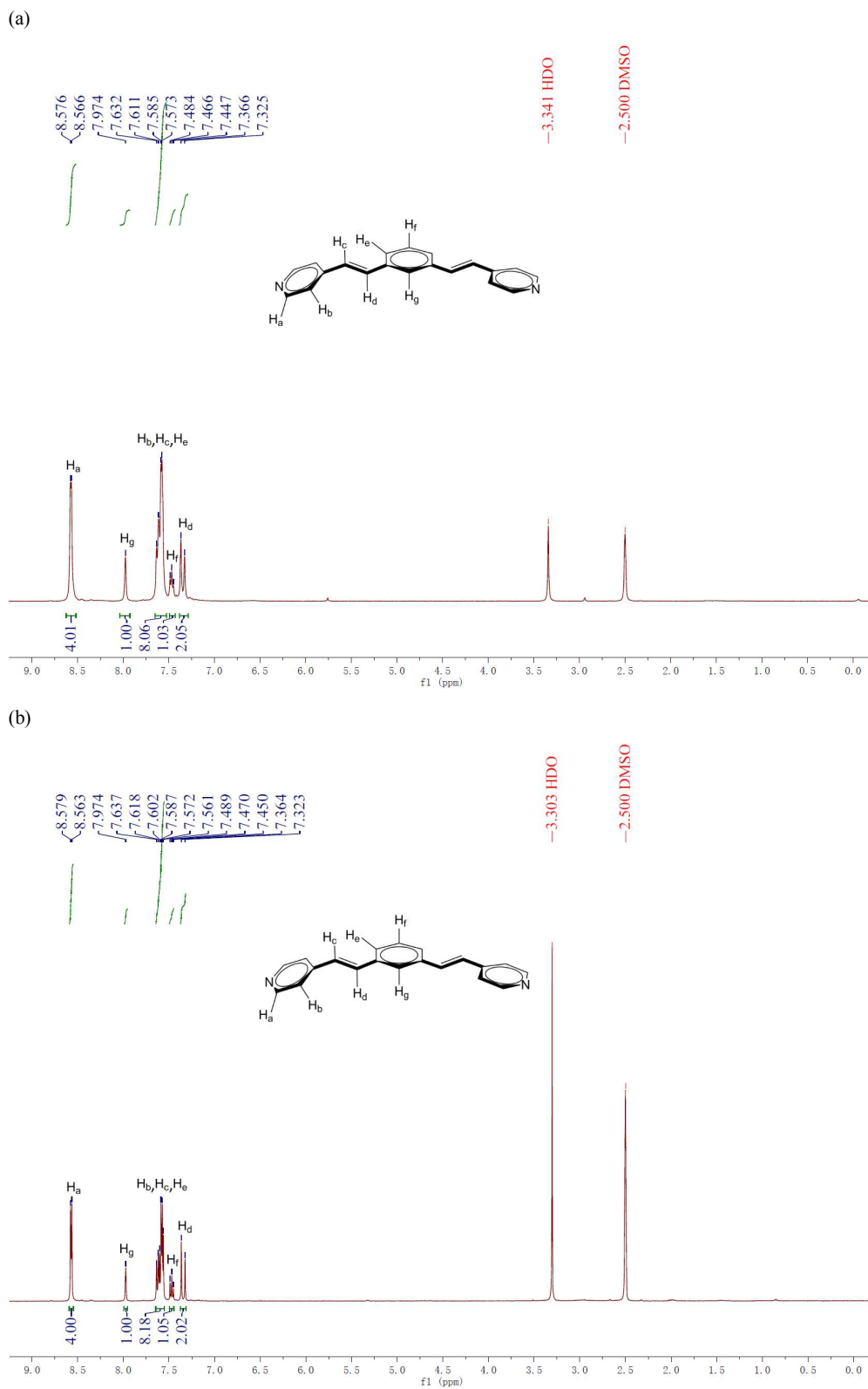
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| Cd(1)-O(4)       | 2.296(10) | Cd(1)-O(1)       | 2.305(10) |
| Cd(1)-N(2A)      | 2.306(11) | Cd(1)-N(1)       | 2.328(10) |
| Cd(1)-O(3A)      | 2.366(10) | Cd(1)-O(2)       | 2.535(9)  |
| Cd(1)-O(3)       | 2.664(10) | Cd(2)-O(8B)      | 2.301(10) |
| Cd(2)-O(5)       | 2.317(11) | Cd(2)-N(4B)      | 2.319(11) |
| Cd(2)-N(3)       | 2.331(10) | Cd(2)-O(7)       | 2.351(9)  |
| Cd(2)-O(6)       | 2.522(9)  | Cd(2)-O(7B)      | 2.689(9)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-O(1)  | 149.0(4)  | O(4)-Cd(1)-N(2A) | 90.9(4)   |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-N(2A) | 93.4(4)   | O(4)-Cd(1)-N(1)  | 87.6(4)   |

|                   |          |                  |          |
|-------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| O(1)-Cd(1)-N(1)   | 88.6(4)  | N(2A)-Cd(1)-N(1) | 178.0(4) |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-O(3A)  | 123.1(3) | O(1)-Cd(1)-O(3A) | 87.7(4)  |
| N(2A)-Cd(1)-O(3A) | 89.1(4)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(3A) | 90.6(4)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 96.2(3)  | O(1)-Cd(1)-O(2)  | 52.9(3)  |
| N(2A)-Cd(1)-O(2)  | 93.1(3)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(2)  | 88.4(3)  |
| O(3A)-Cd(1)-O(2)  | 140.6(3) | O(4)-Cd(1)-O(3)  | 52.0(3)  |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 158.5(3) | N(2A)-Cd(1)-O(3) | 89.8(3)  |
| N(1)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 88.2(3)  | O(3A)-Cd(1)-O(3) | 71.1(3)  |
| O(2)-Cd(1)-O(3)   | 148.1(3) | O(8B)-Cd(2)-O(5) | 148.7(4) |
| O(8B)-Cd(2)-N(4B) | 90.9(4)  | O(5)-Cd(2)-N(4B) | 93.5(4)  |
| O(8B)-Cd(2)-N(3)  | 87.4(3)  | O(5)-Cd(2)-N(3)  | 88.8(4)  |
| N(4B)-Cd(2)-N(3)  | 177.6(4) | O(8B)-Cd(2)-O(7) | 123.1(3) |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-O(7)   | 87.9(3)  | N(4B)-Cd(2)-O(7) | 89.5(3)  |
| N(3)-Cd(2)-O(7)   | 90.1(3)  | O(8B)-Cd(2)-O(6) | 96.3(3)  |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-O(6)   | 52.6(3)  | N(4B)-Cd(2)-O(6) | 92.7(3)  |
| N(3)-Cd(2)-O(6)   | 89.1(3)  | O(7)-Cd(2)-O(6)  | 140.6(3) |
| O(8B)-Cd(2)-O(7B) | 51.8(3)  | O(5)-Cd(2)-O(7B) | 158.9(3) |
| N(4B)-Cd(2)-O(7B) | 90.3(3)  | N(3)-Cd(2)-O(7B) | 87.3(3)  |
| O(7)-Cd(2)-O(7B)  | 71.3(3)  | O(6)-Cd(2)-O(7B) | 148.0(3) |

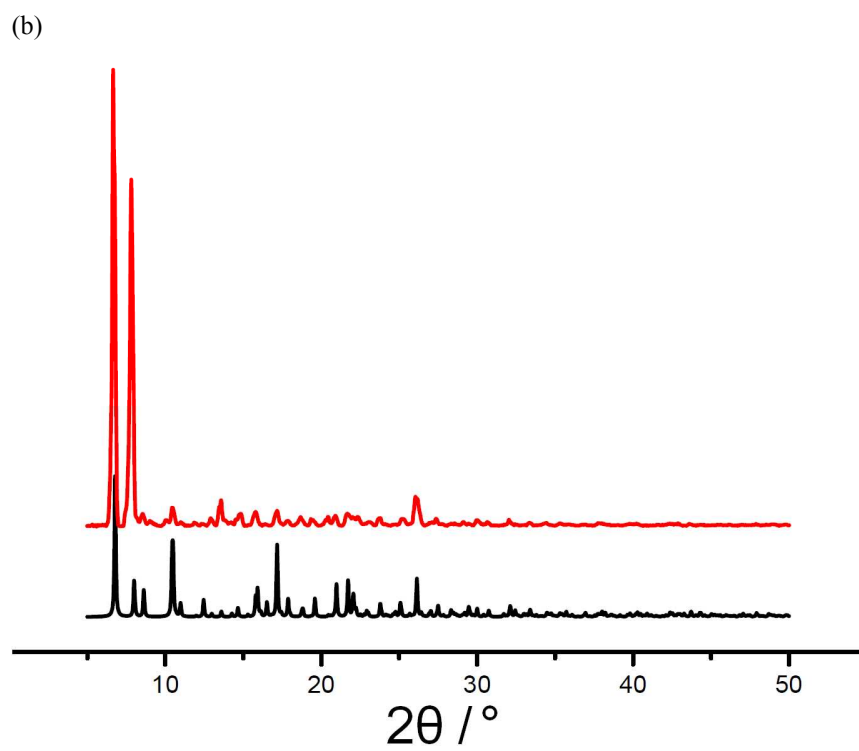
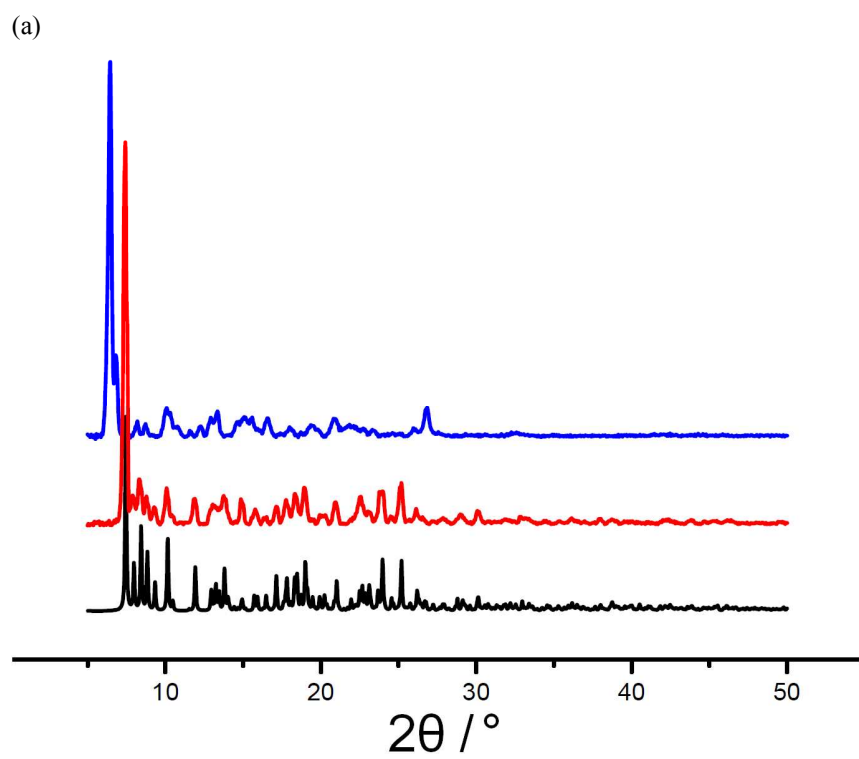
Symmetry codes: **(1)** A:  $-x, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ; B:  $x + 3, y + 1, z + 1$ ; C:  $-x + 3, -y + 2, -z + 2$ . **(3)** A:  $x + 1, -y + 1, z - 1/2$ ; B:  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ . **(4)** A:  $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1$ ; B:  $-x + 3, -y + 2, -z$ .

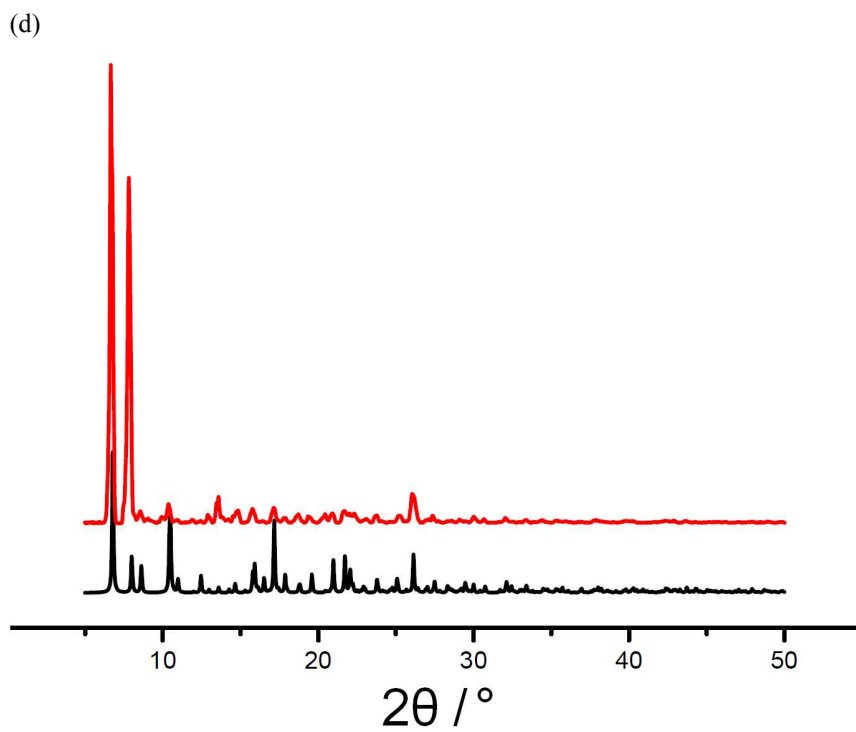
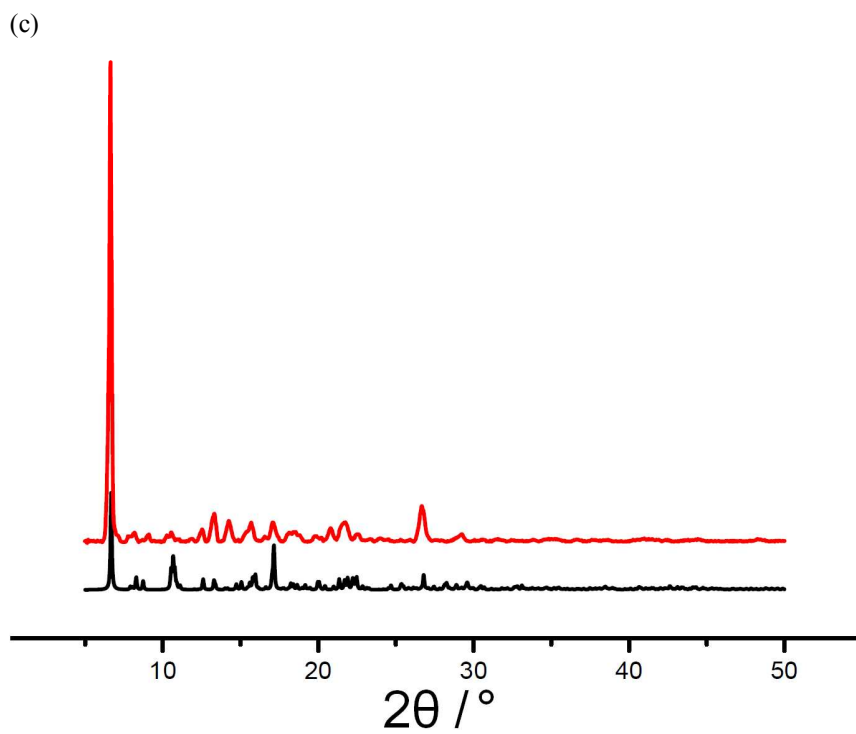
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*Crystal data* for the re-irradiated sample from **4** upon irradiation with 254 nm UV light:  $\text{C}_{68}\text{H}_{50}\text{Cd}_2\text{F}_4\text{N}_4\text{O}_9$ ,  $M_r = 1367.94$ , monoclinic, space group  $P_2/c$ ,  $a = 11.282(2)$ ,  $b = 13.004(3)$ ,  $c = 21.054(4)$  Å,  $\beta = 102.42(3)^\circ$ ,  $V = 3016.8(11)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 2$ ,  $D_c = 1.506$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>,  $R_1 = 0.0888$  ( $I > 2\sigma$ ),  $wR_2 = 0.2070$ ,  $GOF = 1.029$ . The cell parameters of this sample confirmed the reversible SCSC transformation from **4** to **3**.



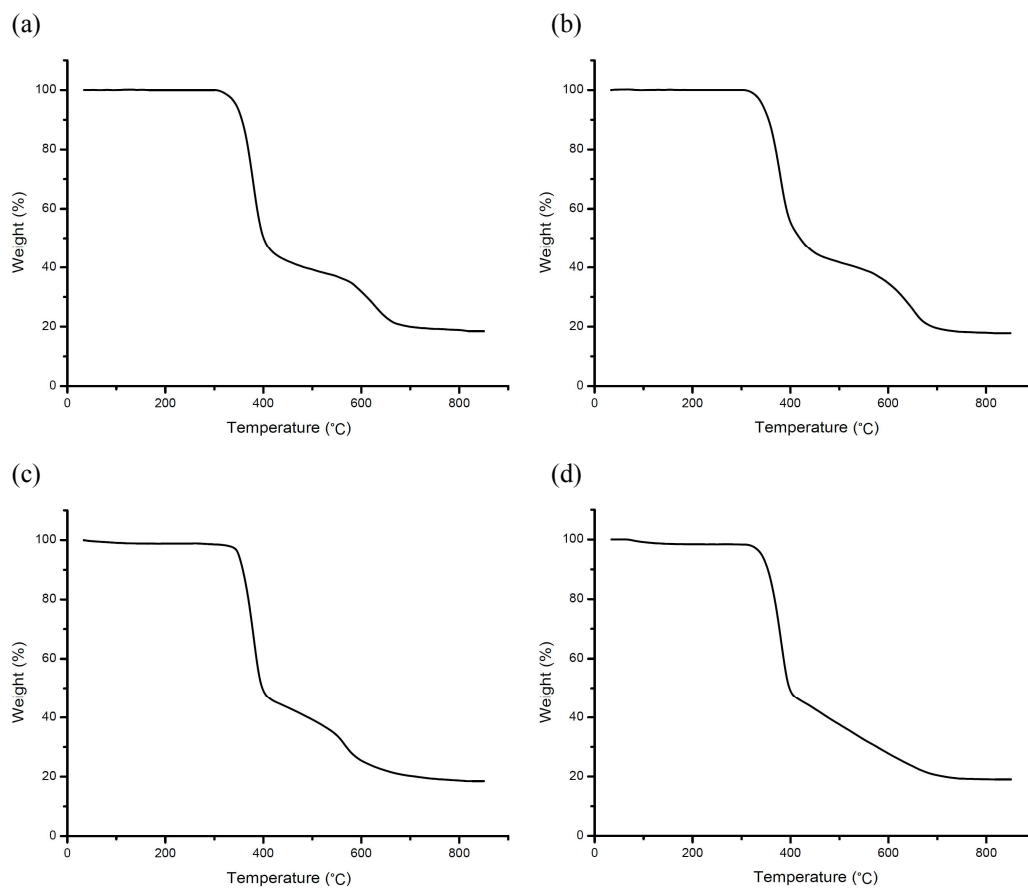
**Figure S1.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of powdered **1,3-bpeb** before (a) and after (b) UV irradiation in  $d_6$ -DMSO at ambient temperature.





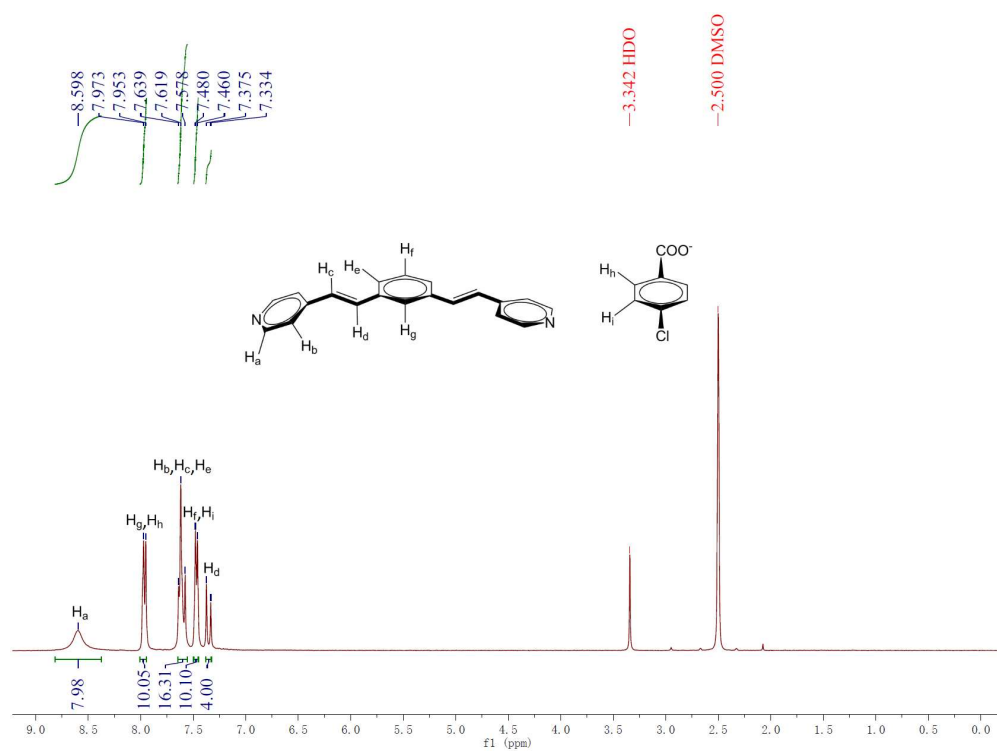
**Figure S2.** (a) PXRD pattern of **1** (from single crystal data: black; as-synthesis: red) and its photoproduct **1b** (blue). (b) PXRD patterns of **3** (from single crystal data: black; as-synthesis: red). (c) PXRD patterns of **4** (from single crystal data: black; as-synthesis: red). (d) PXRD patterns of **3** (from single crystal data: black) and the re-irradiated sample of **4** upon irradiation with 254 nm UV light (red). Figure S2d confirmed the reversible structural transformation from **4** to **3**.



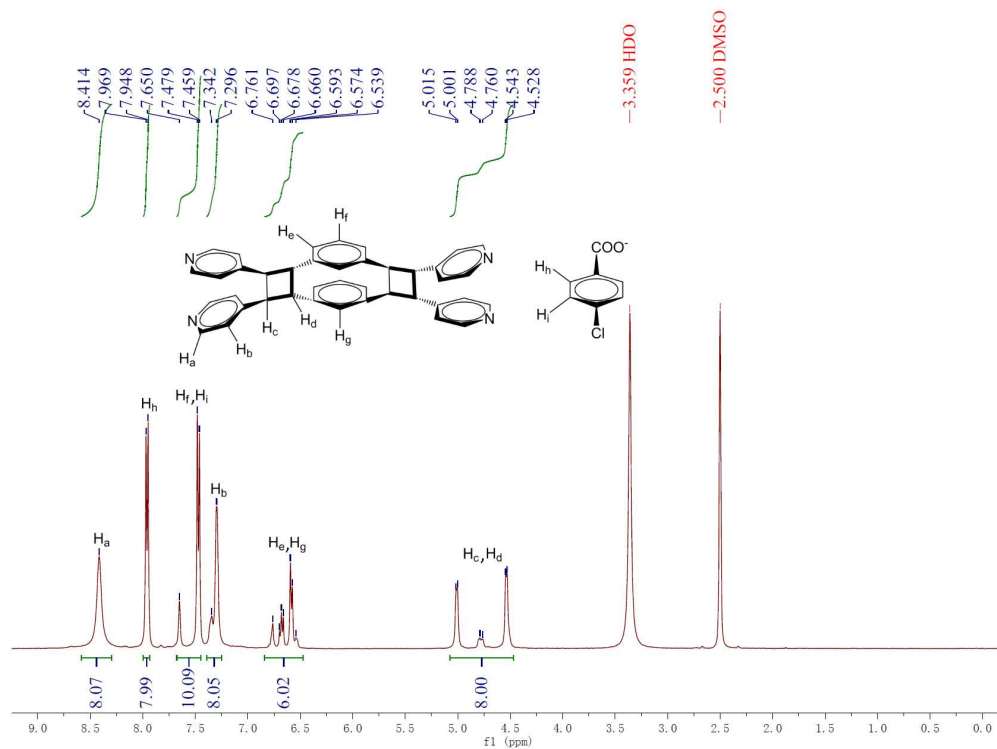


**Figure S3.** The TGA curves for **1** (a), **1a** (b), **3** (c) and **4** (d).

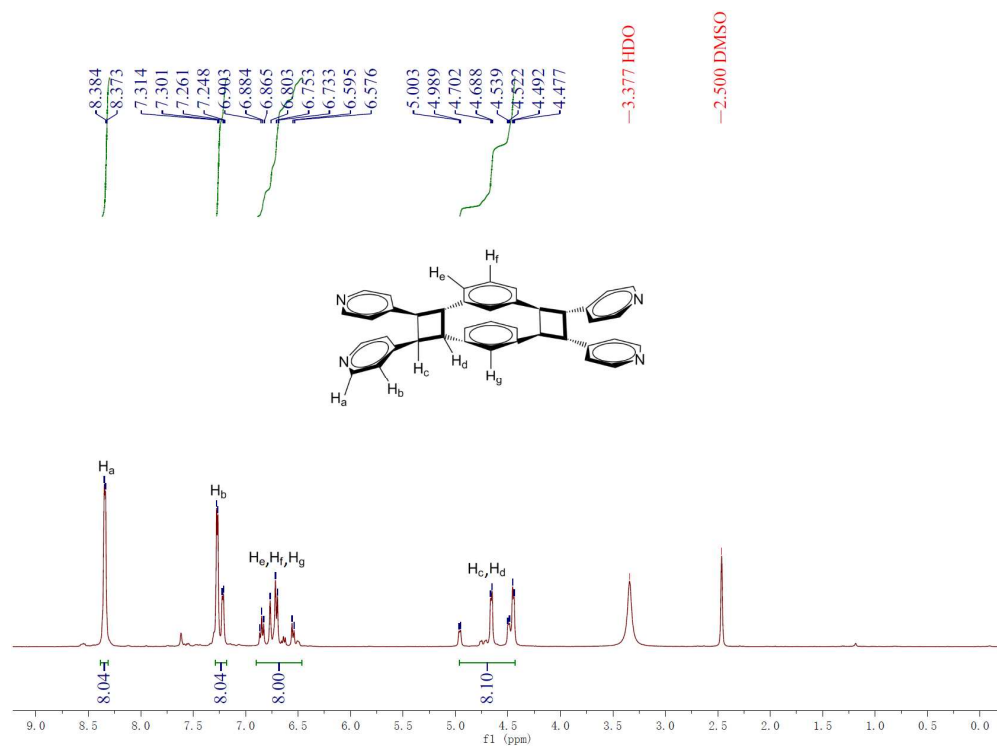
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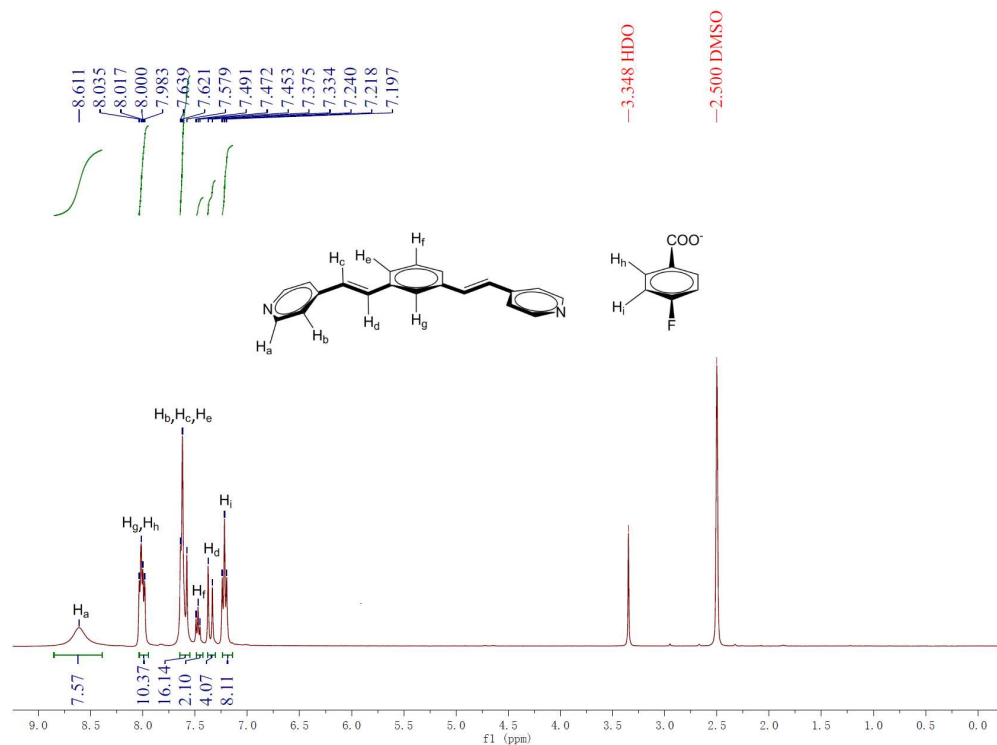
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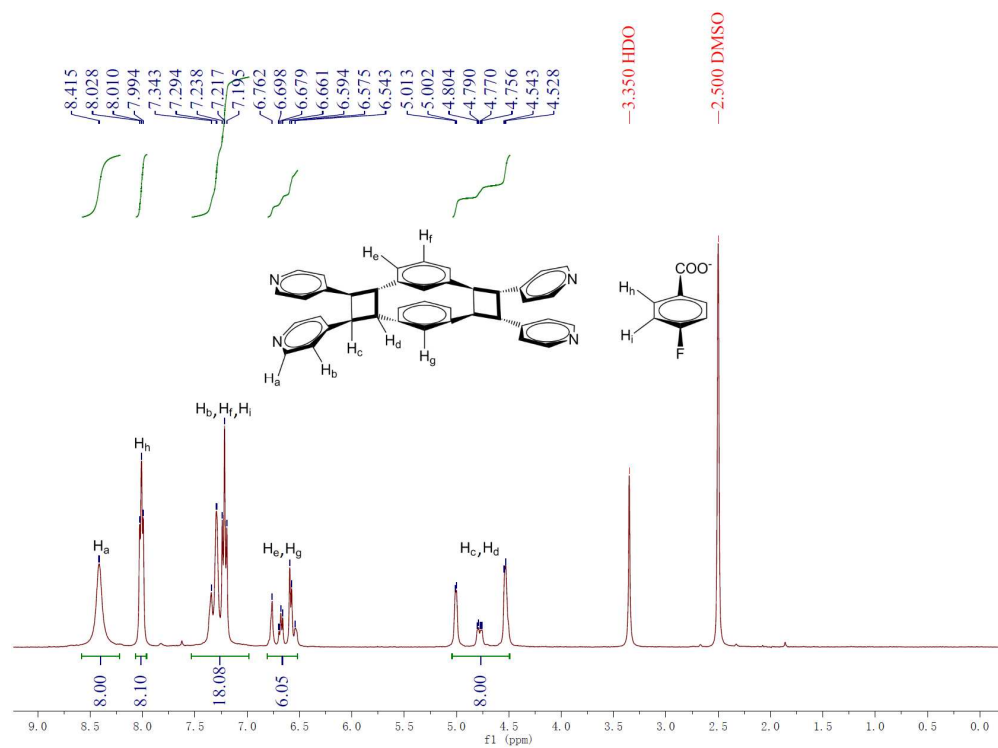
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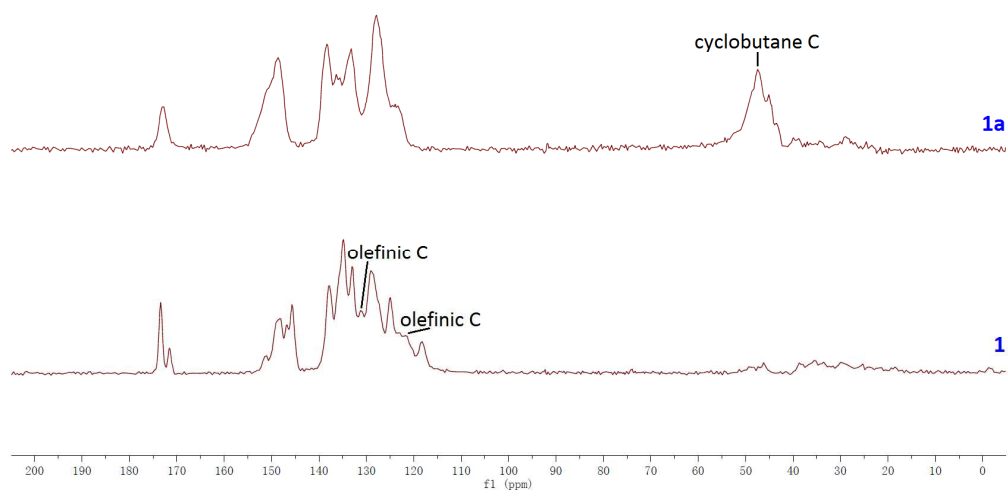


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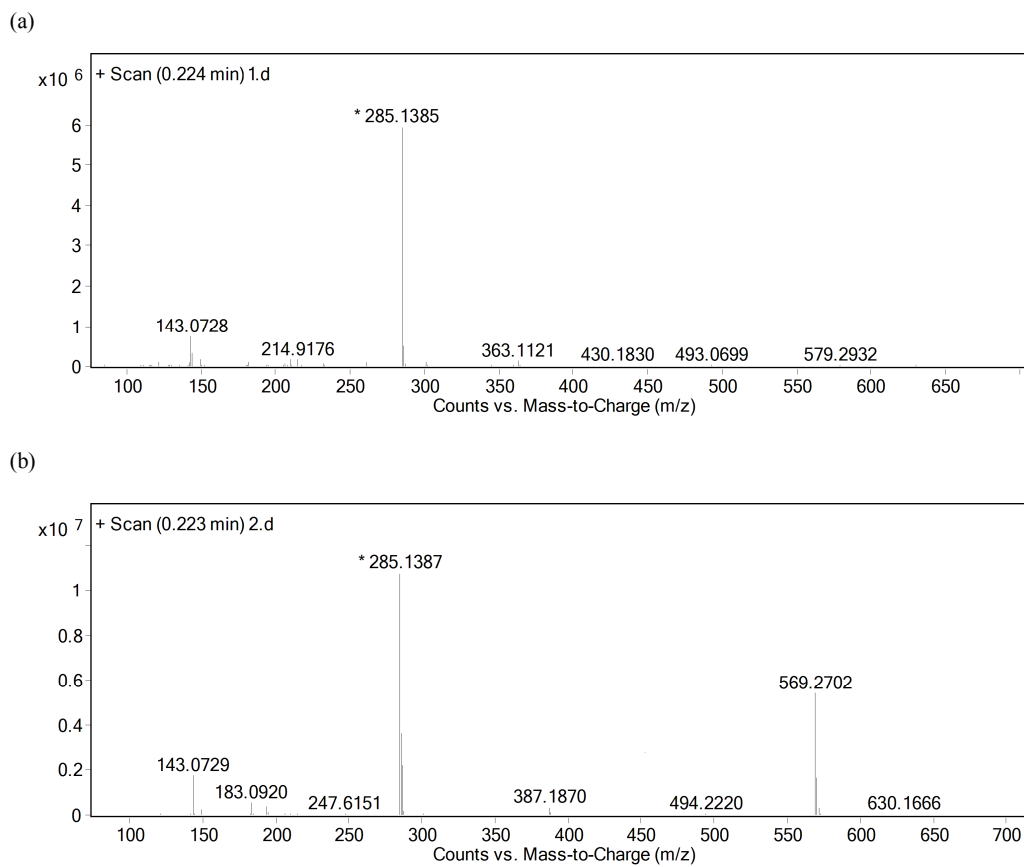


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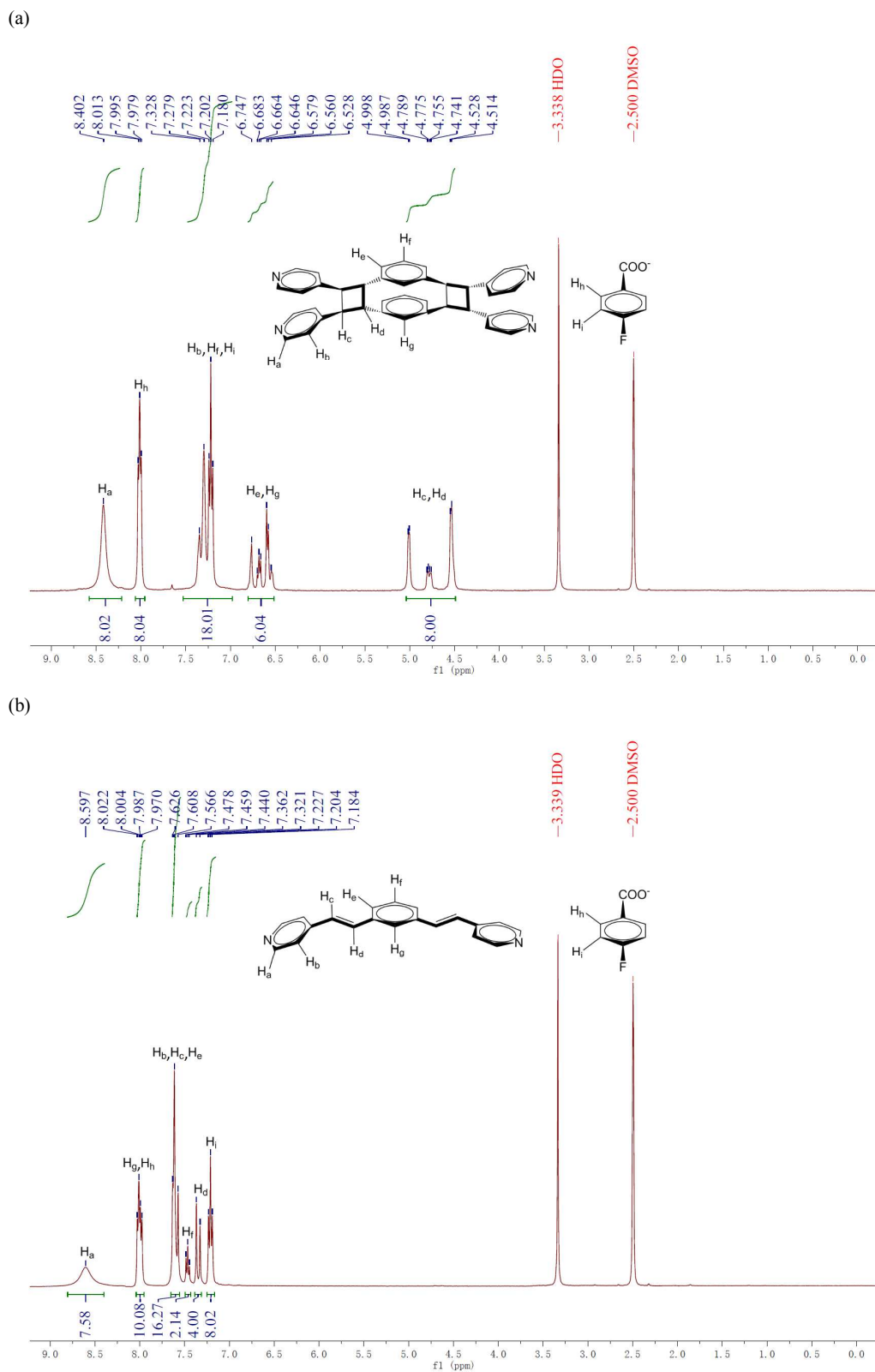




**Figure S5.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$ -CPMAS NMR spectra of **1** and **1a**.



**Figure S6.** HRMS Spectra of **1,3-bpeb** (a) and **syn-tpmcp** (b).



**Figure S7.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of tiny particles of **3** with irradiation of 365 nm UV light for 2 min (a), and re-irradiation of 254 nm UV light for 2 min (b) (deuterated solvent:  $d_6$ -DMSO).