

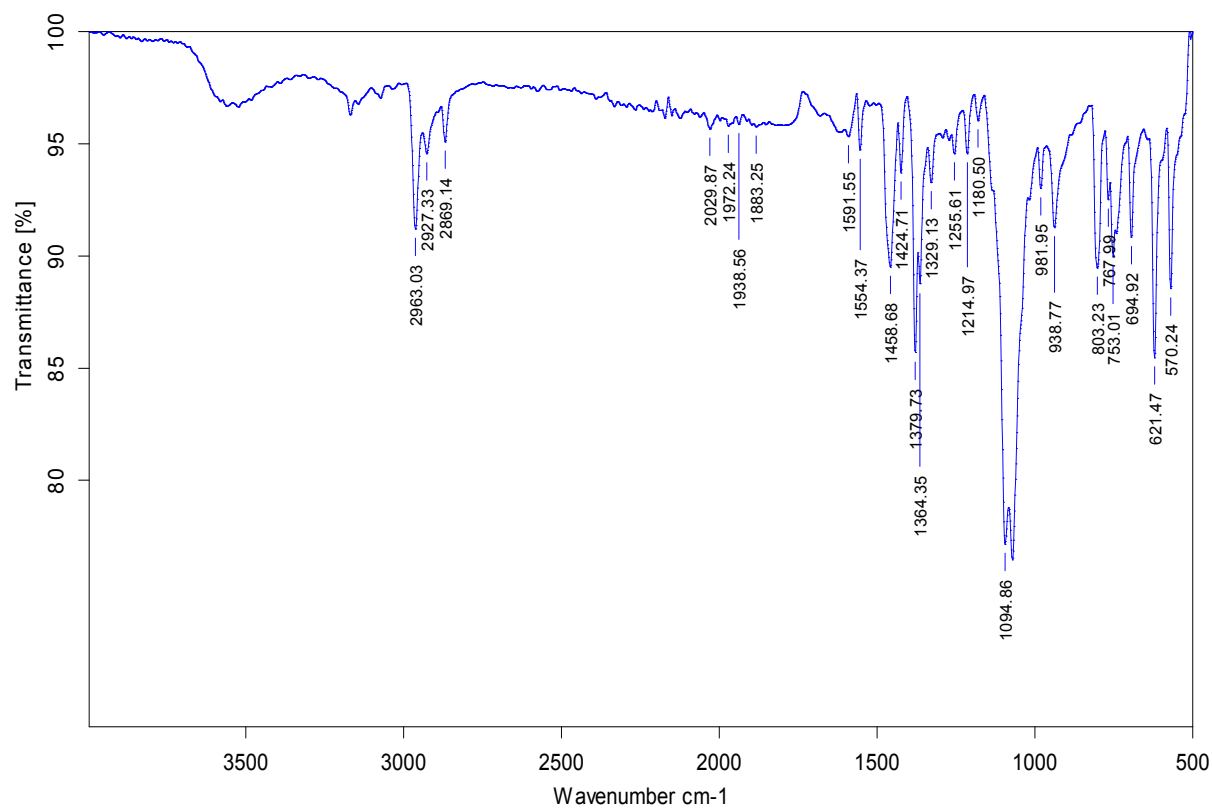
# Linear Cu(I) Chalcogenones: Synthesis and Application in Borylation of Unsymmetrical Alkynes

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**Fig. S1.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IPrS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (**1**).

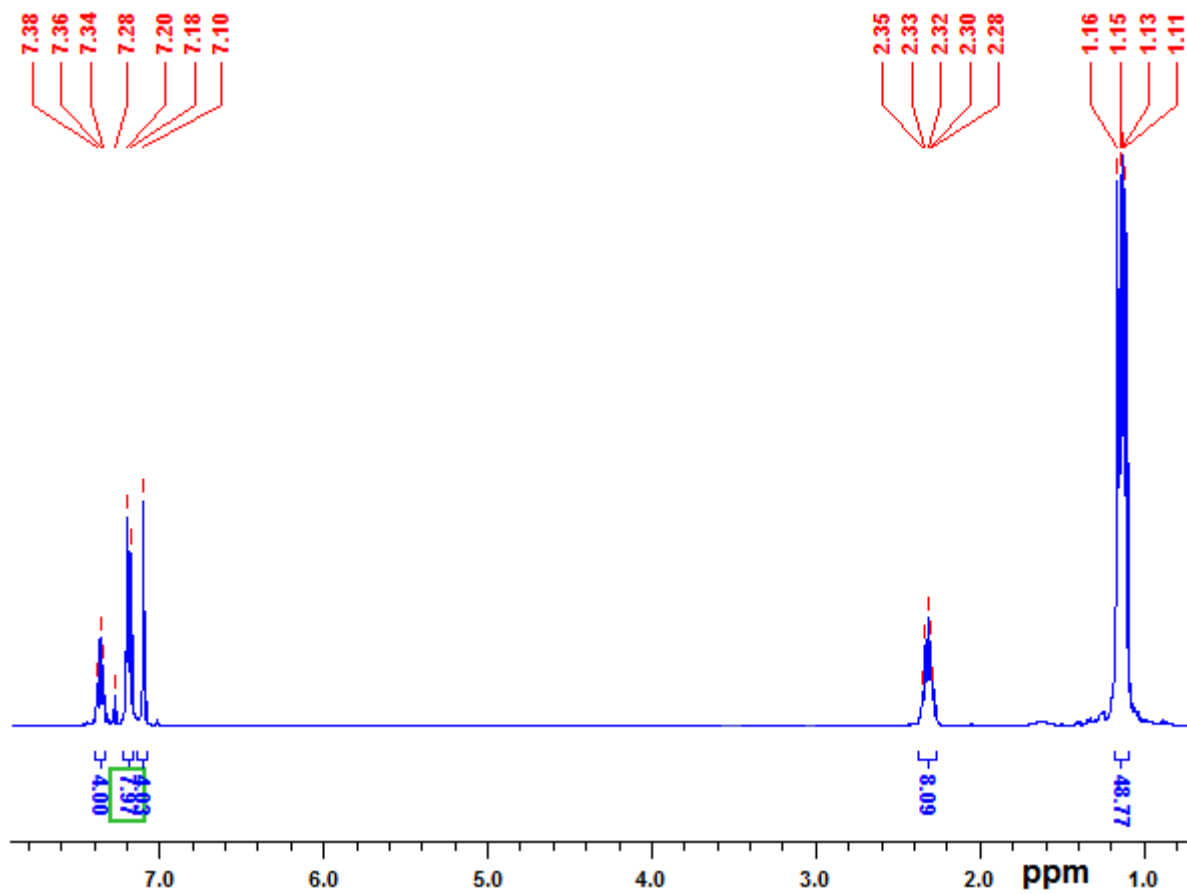
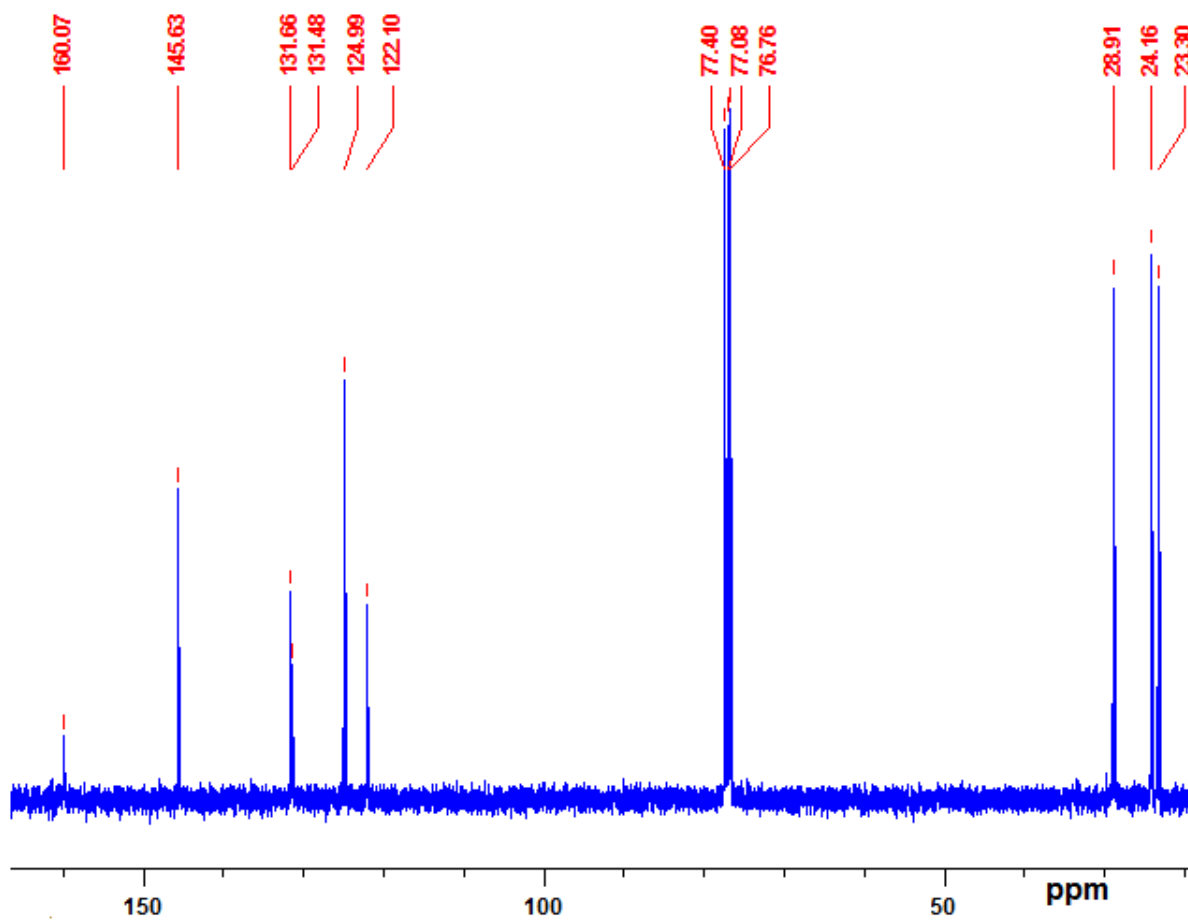
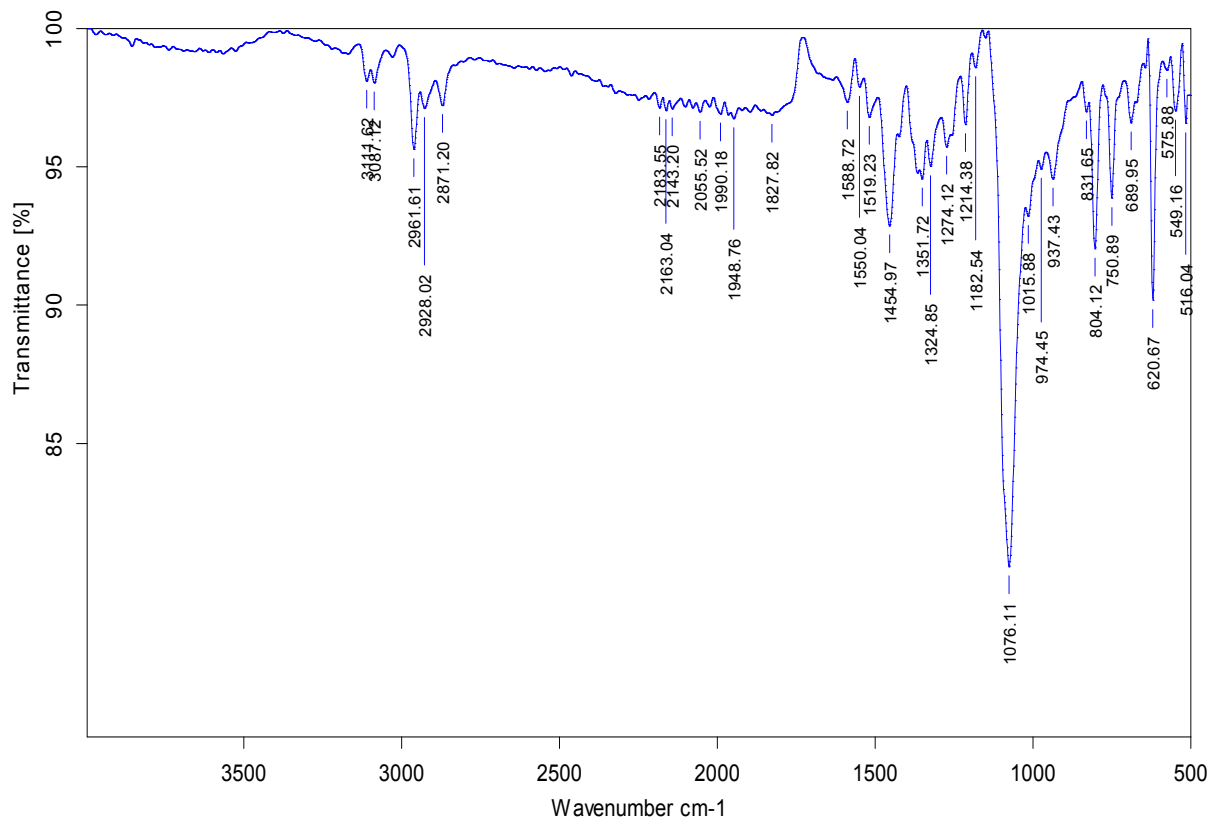


Fig. S2.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrS})_2\text{Cu}]\text{ClO}_4$  (1).



**Fig. S3.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of [(IPrS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (**1**).



**Fig. S4.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IPrSe)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (2).

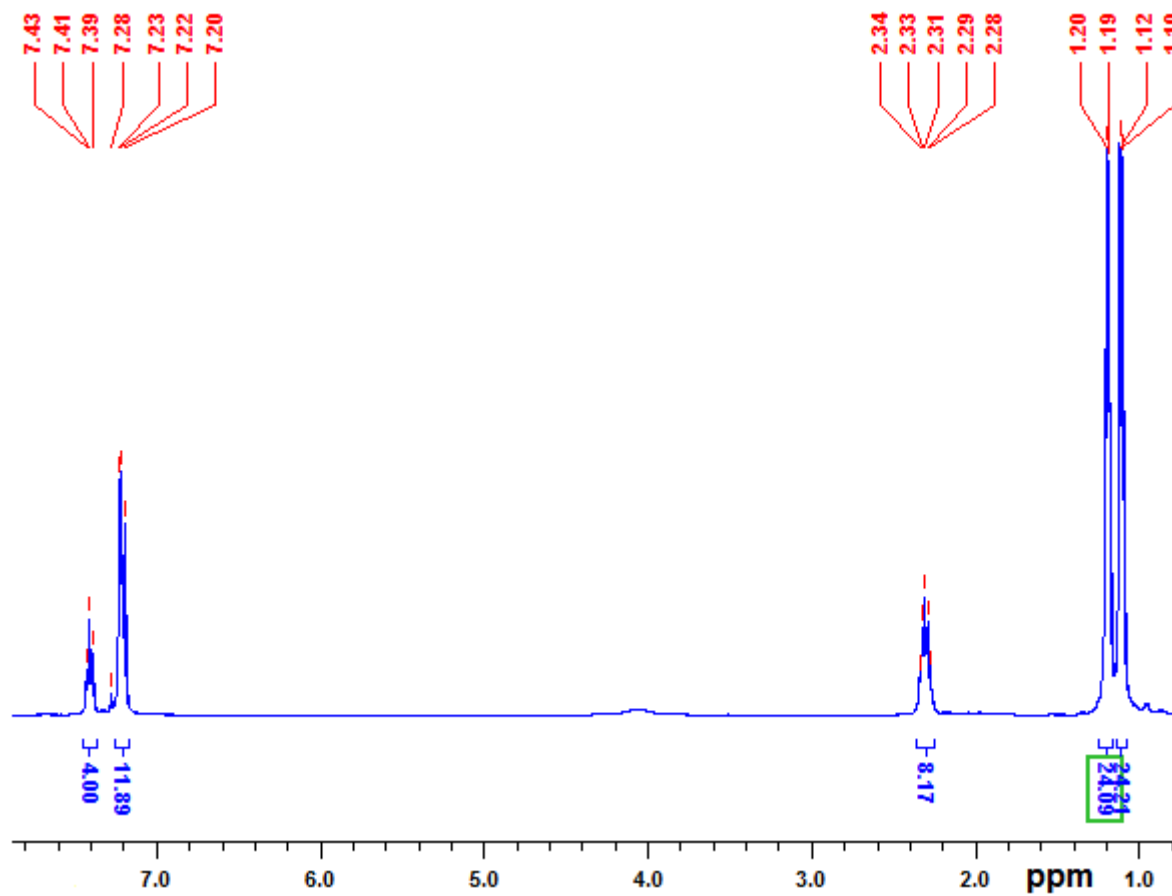


Fig. S5.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{ClO}_4$  (2).

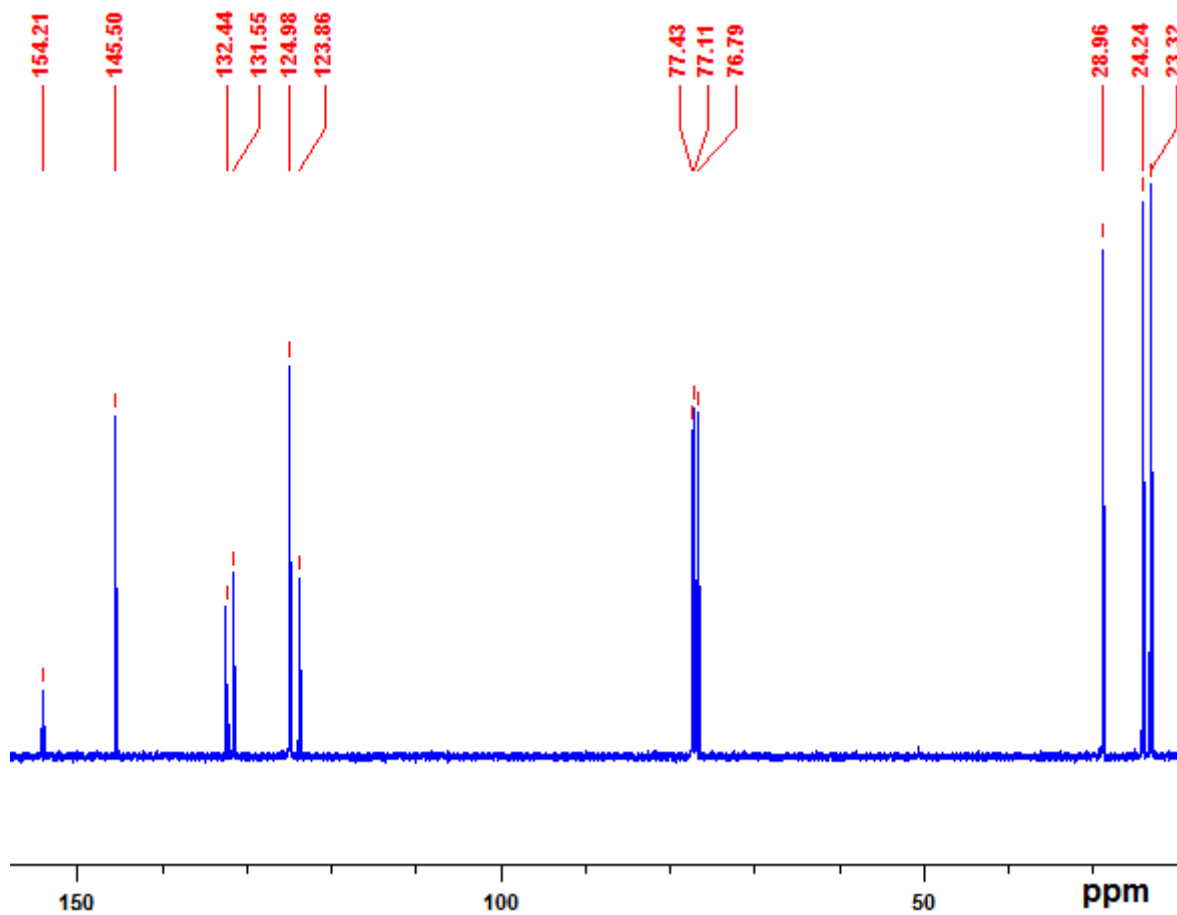
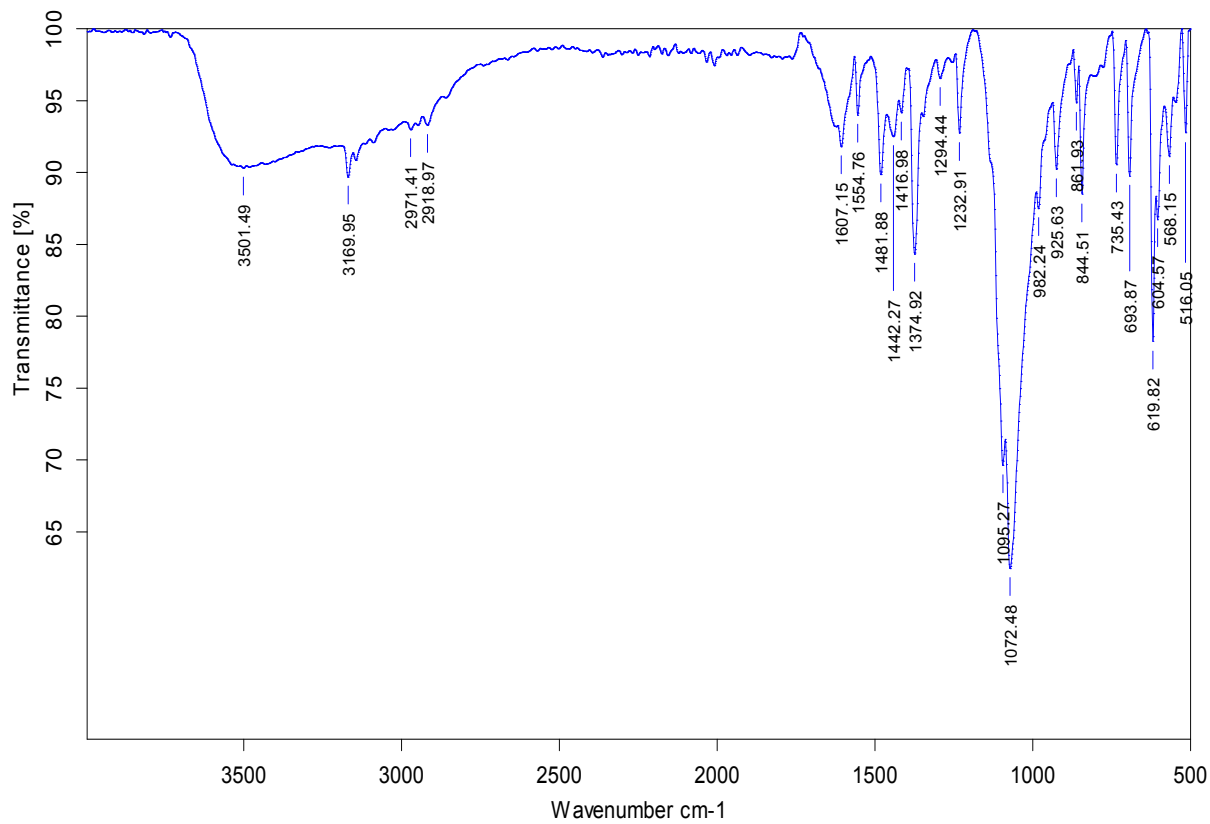
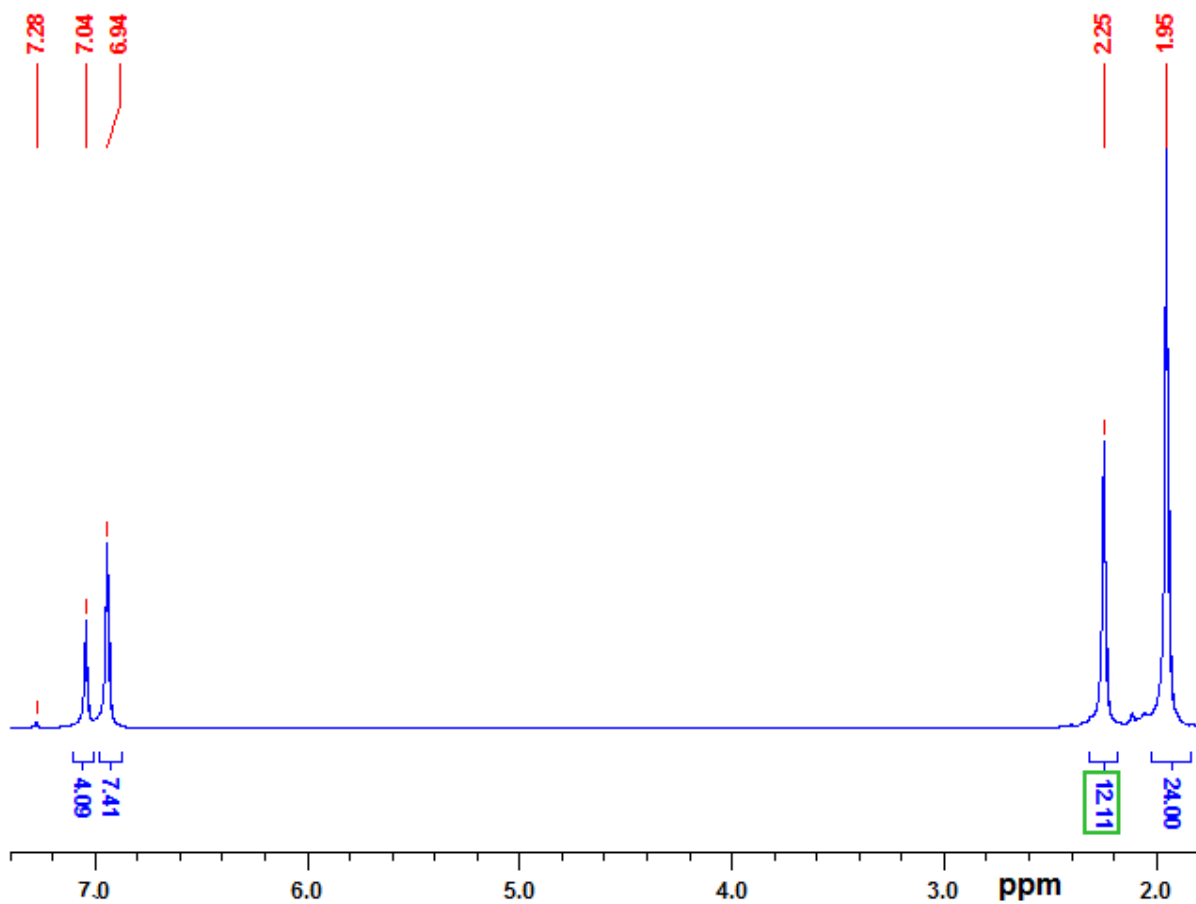


Fig. S6.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{ClO}_4$  (2).

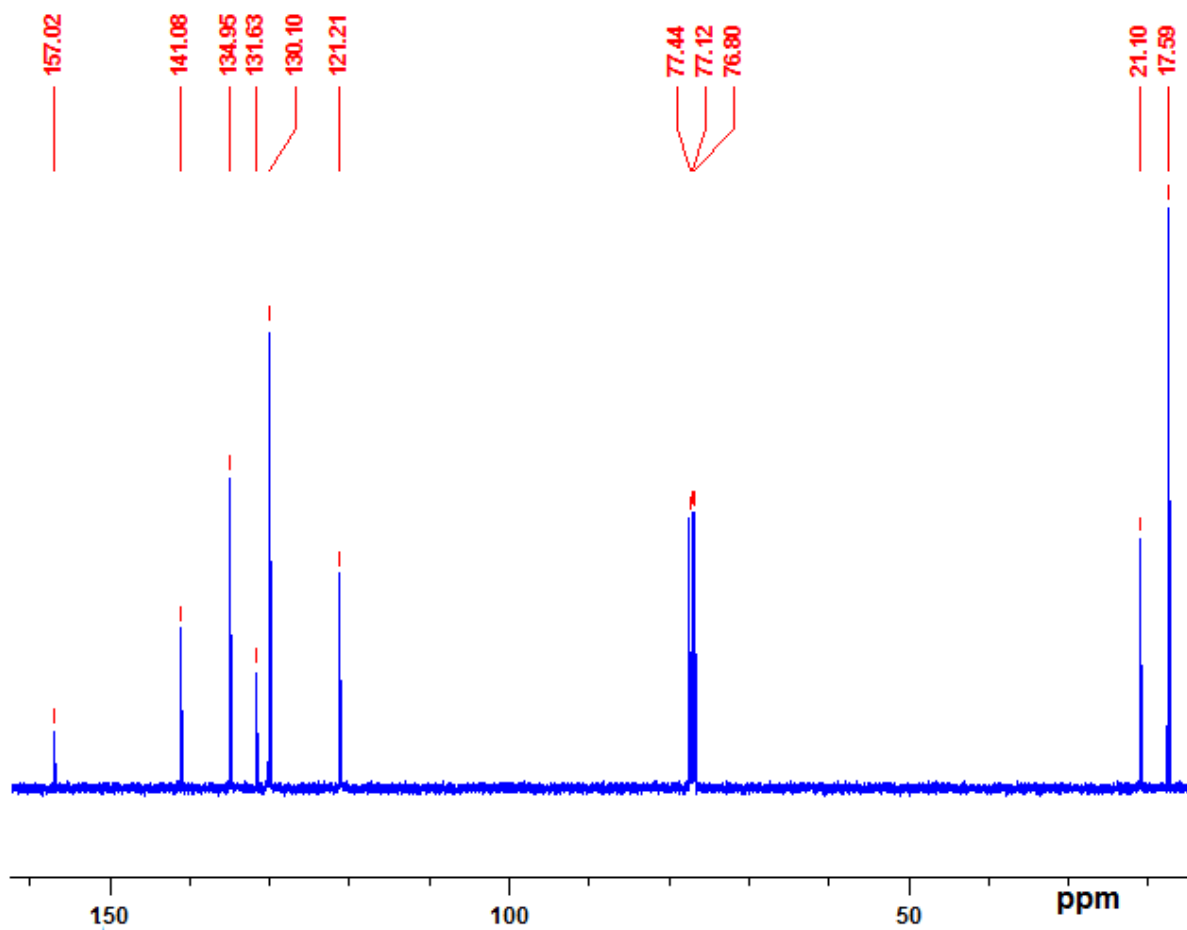


**Fig. S7.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMes})_2\text{Cu}]\text{ClO}_4$  (**3**).

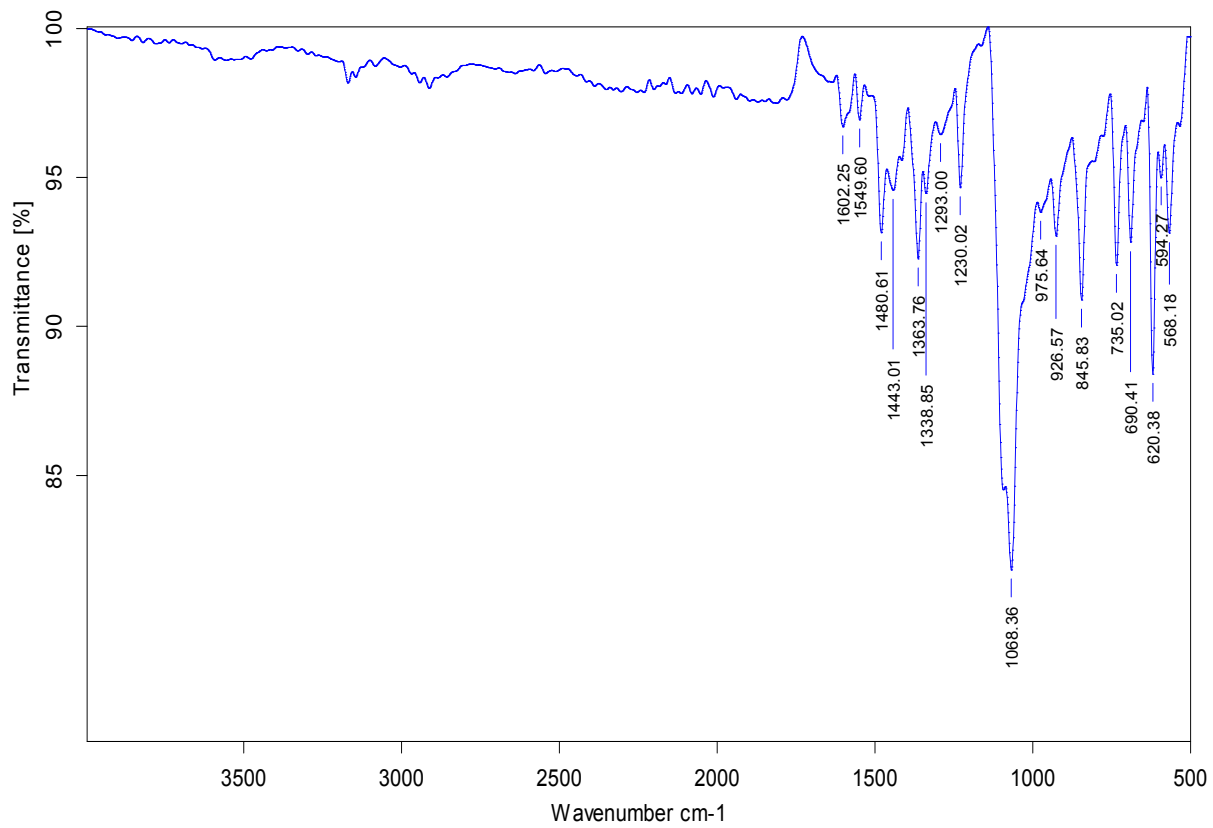


**Fig. S8.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [(IMesS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (**3**).





**Fig. S9.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of [(IMesS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (**3**).



**Fig. S10.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IMesSe)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (**4**).

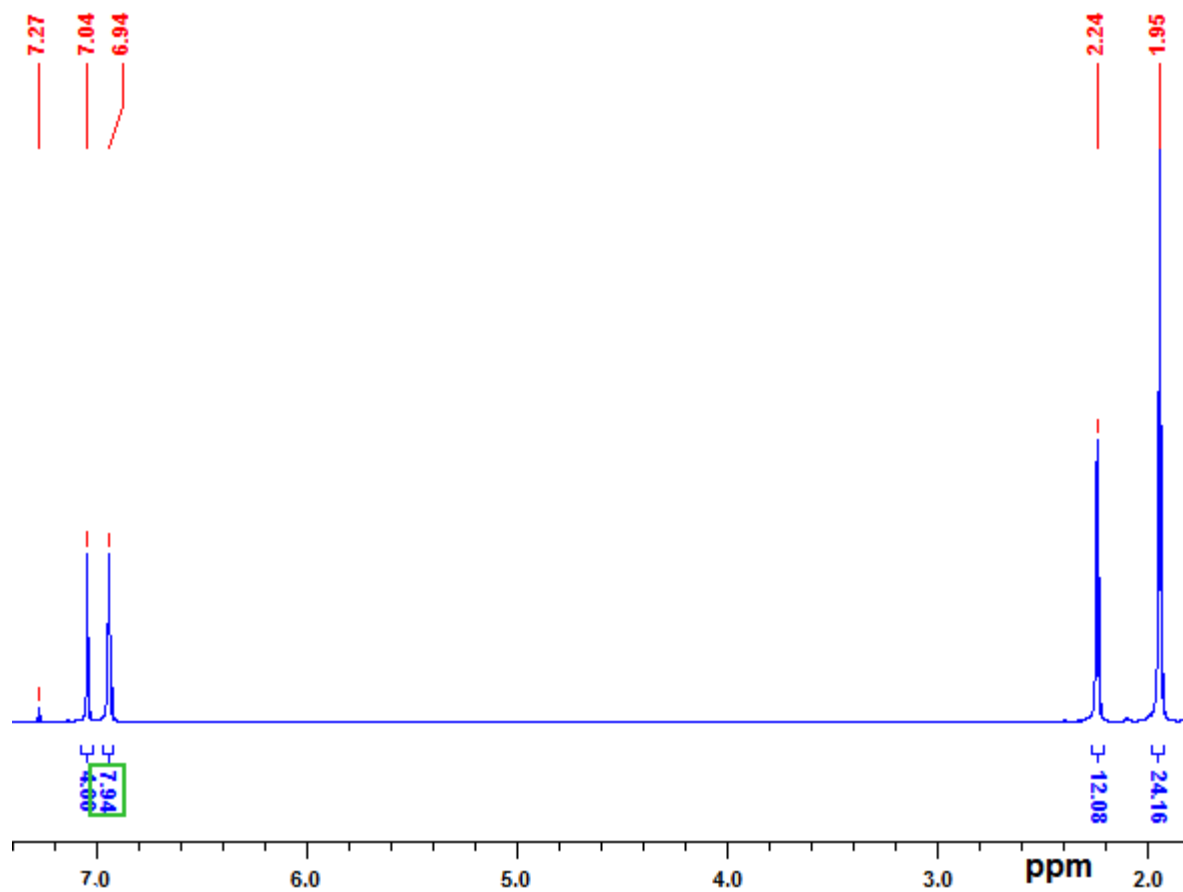
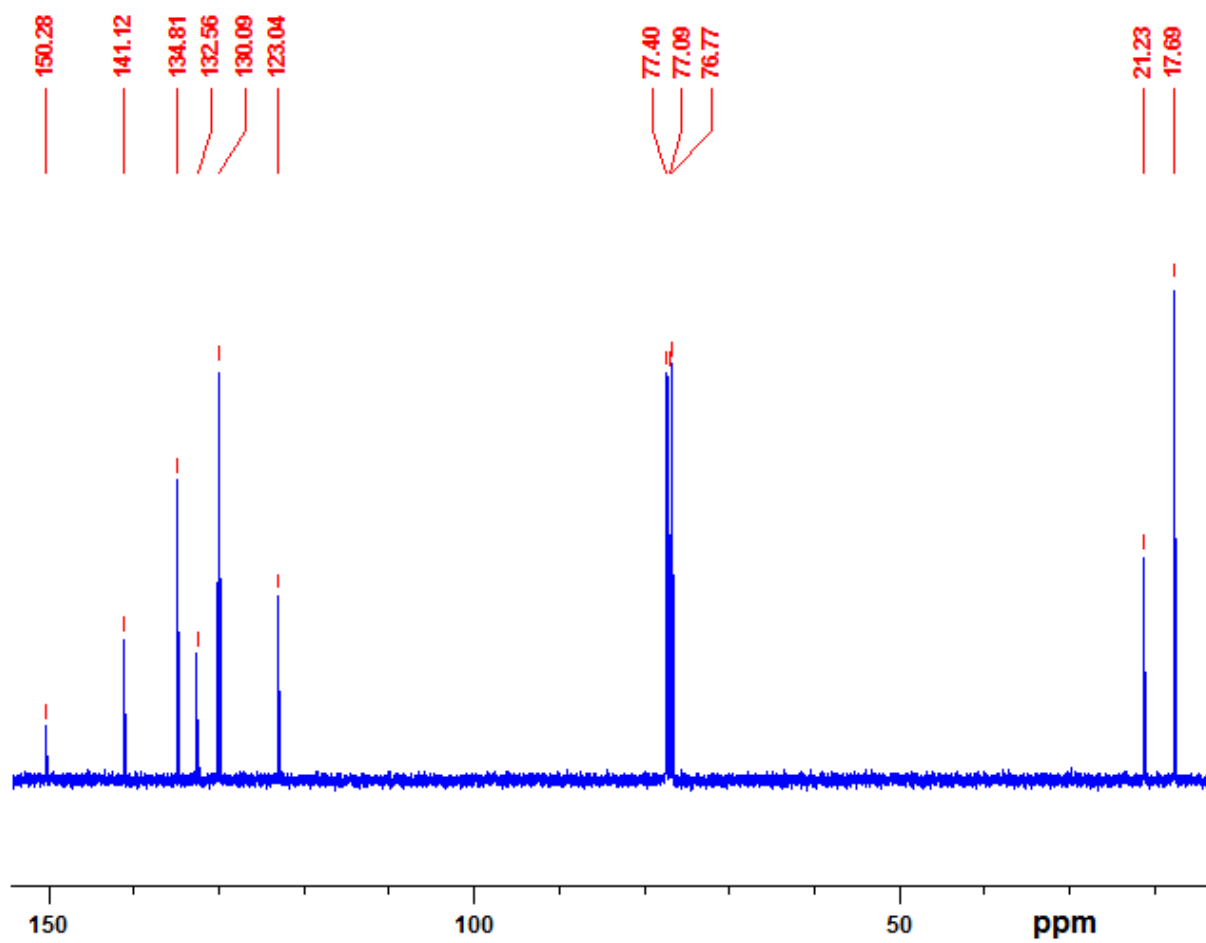
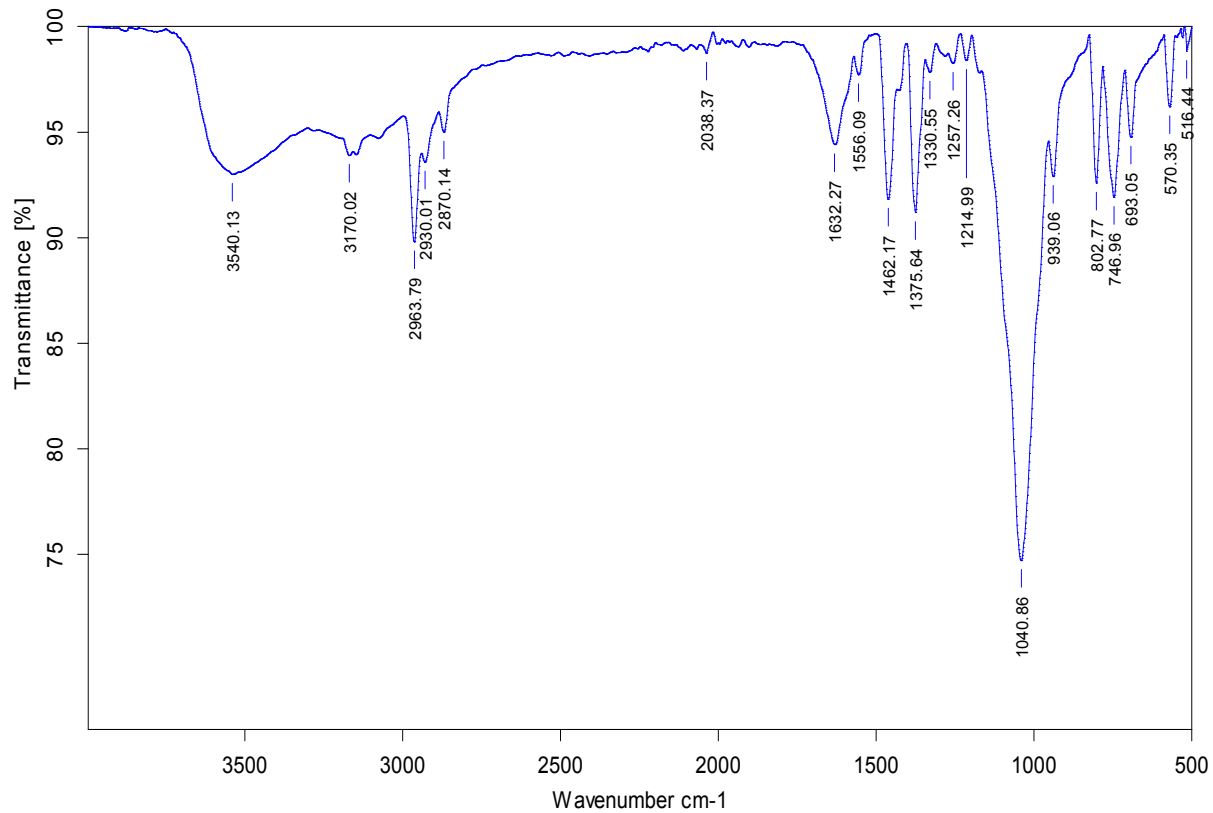


Fig. S11. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [(IMesSe)<sub>2</sub>Cu]ClO<sub>4</sub> (4).



**Fig. S12.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{ClO}_4$  (4).



**Fig. S13.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IPrS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]BF<sub>4</sub> (**5**).

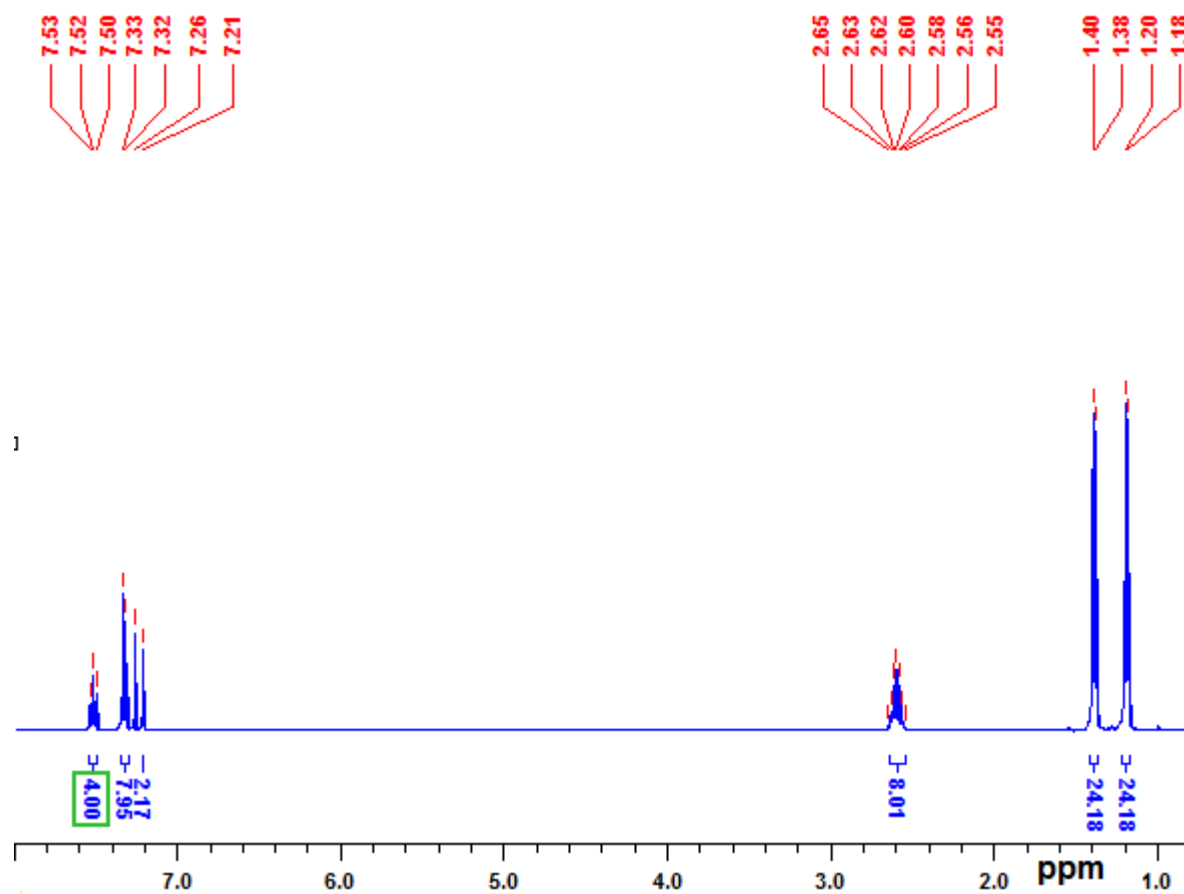


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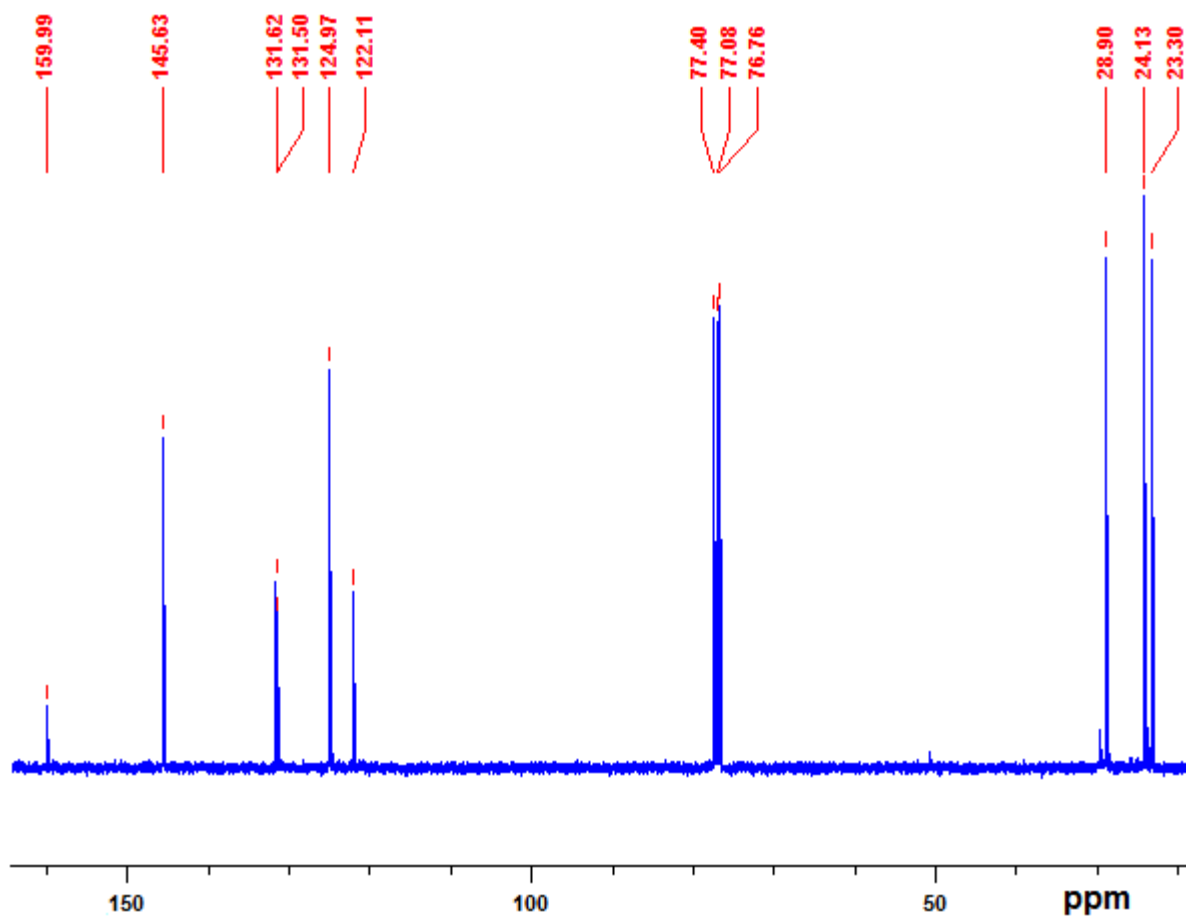
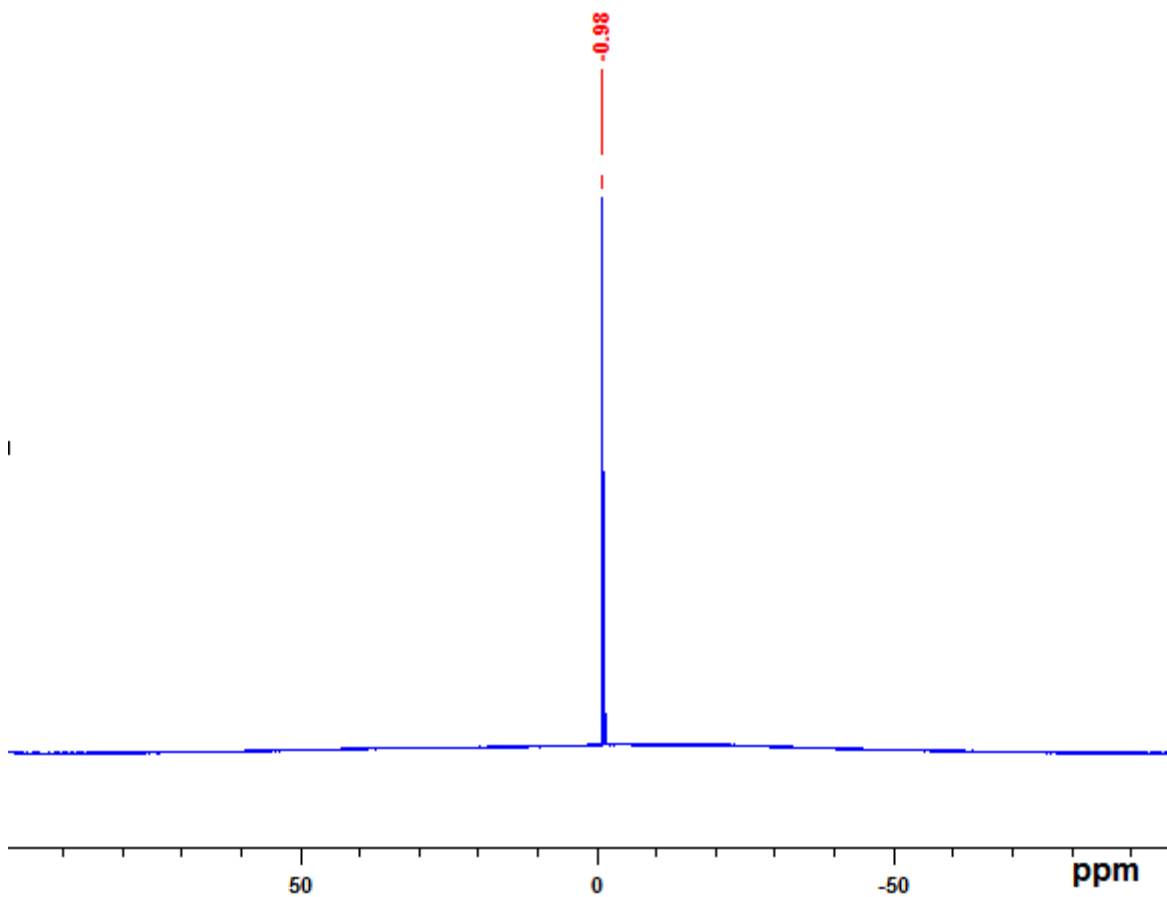
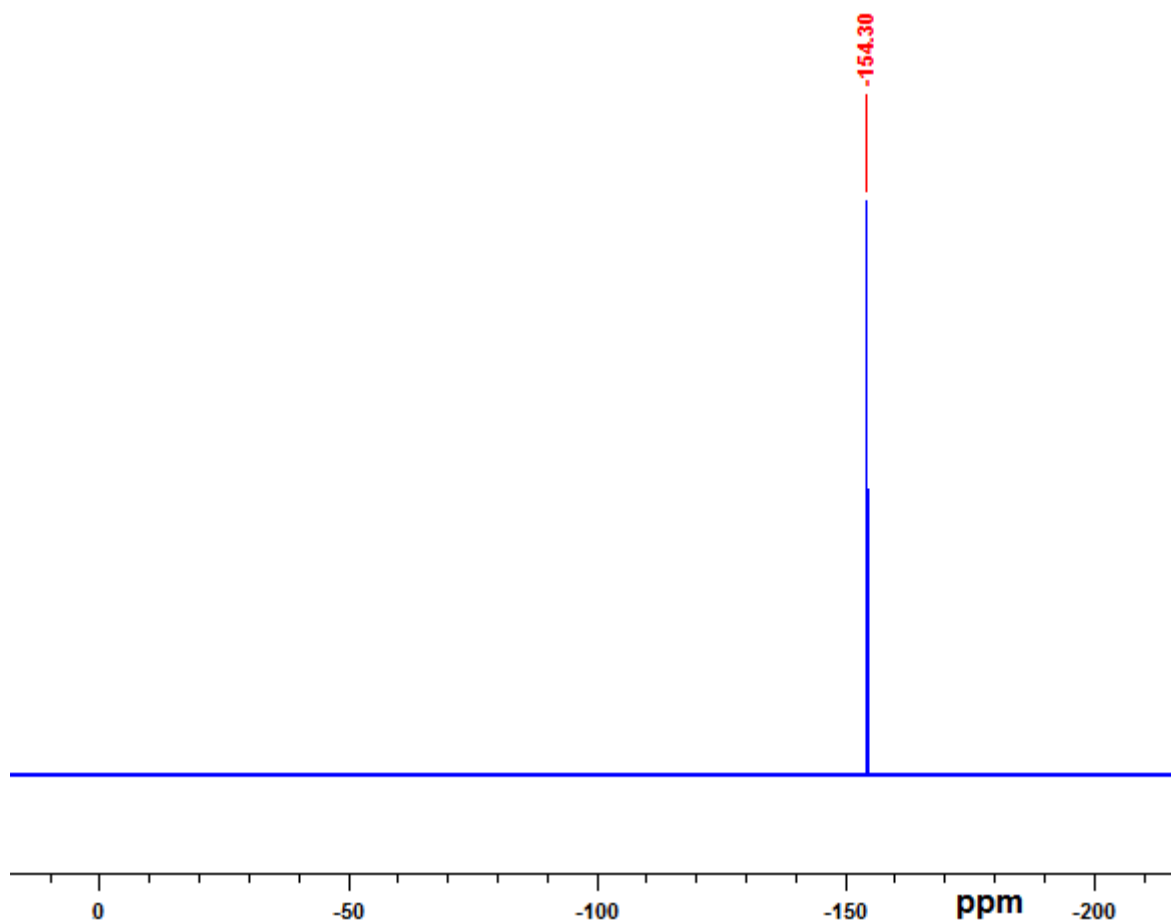


Fig. S15. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of [(IPrS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]BF<sub>4</sub> (5).

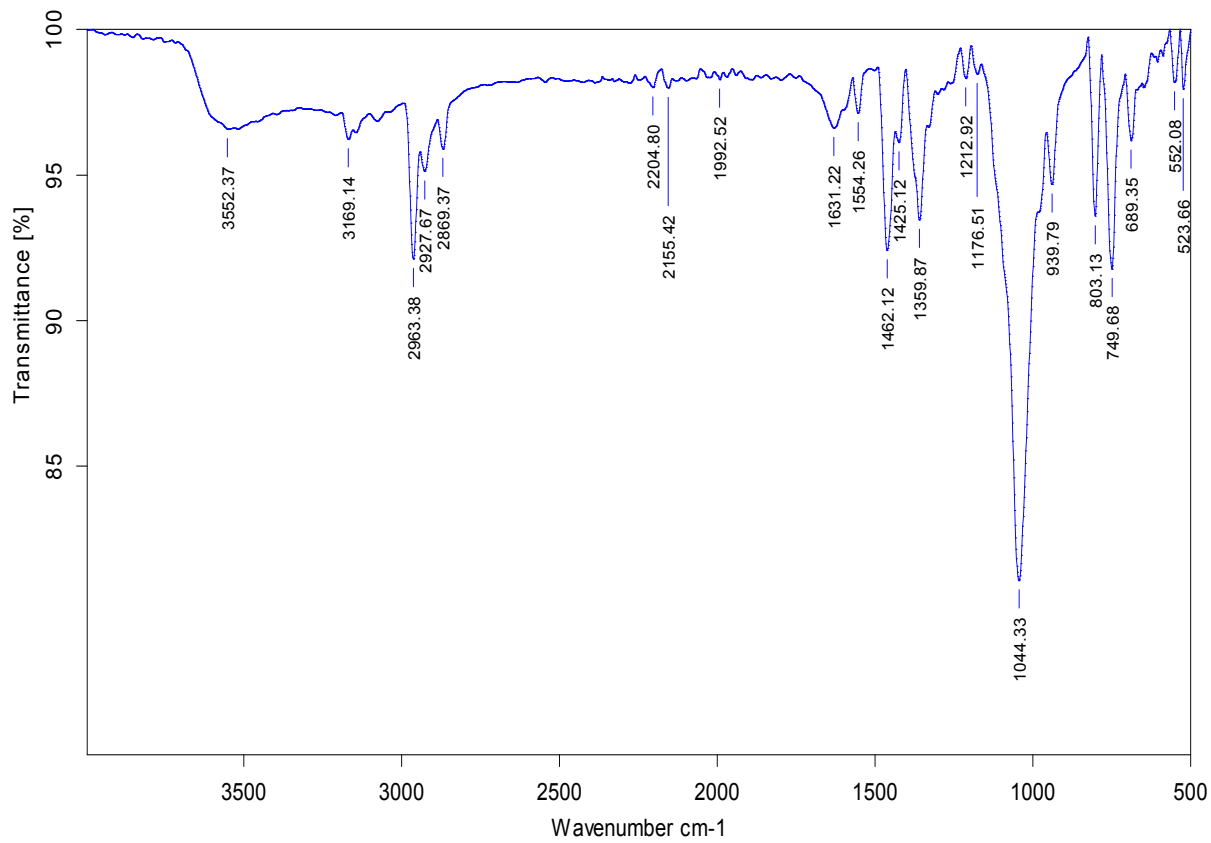


**Fig. S16.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrS})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**5**).

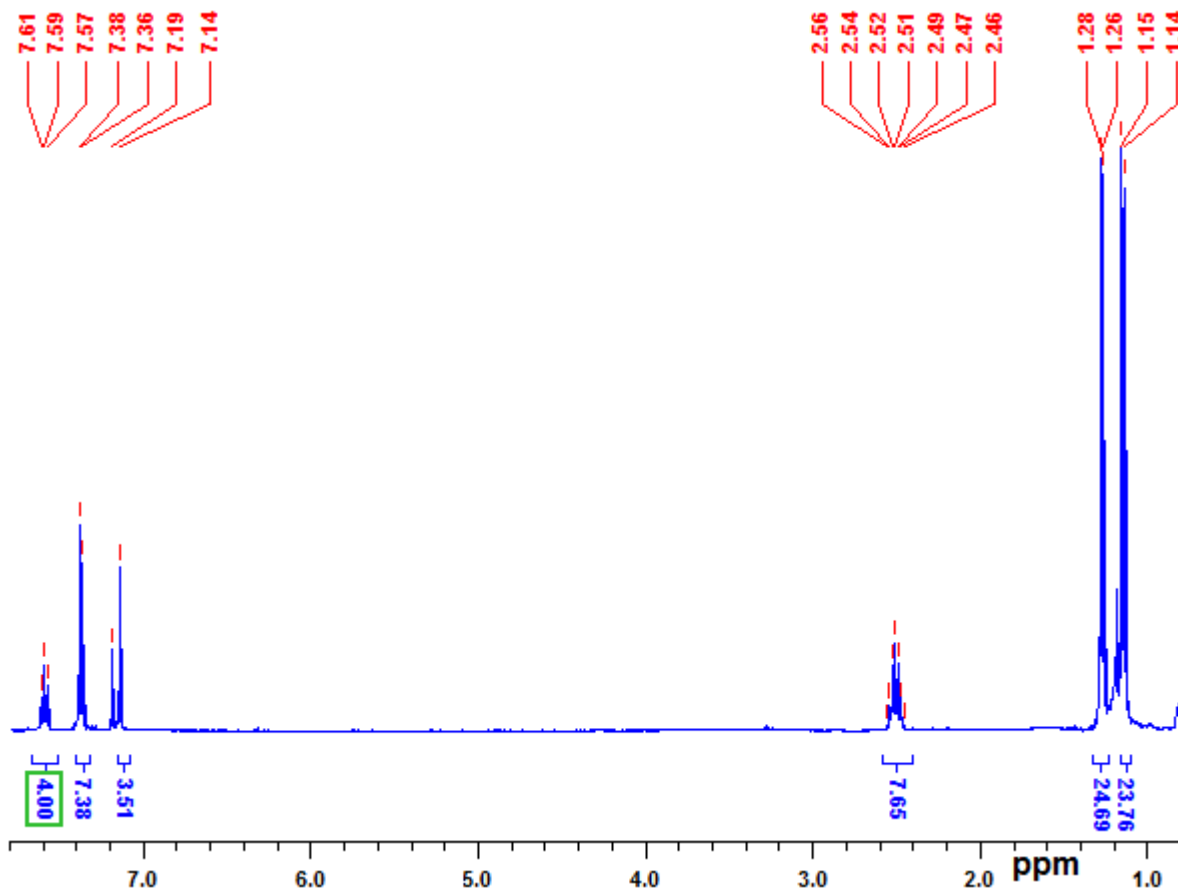




**Fig. S17.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrS})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**5**).



**Fig. S18.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IPrSe)<sub>2</sub>Cu]BF<sub>4</sub> (**6**).



**Fig. S19.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (6).

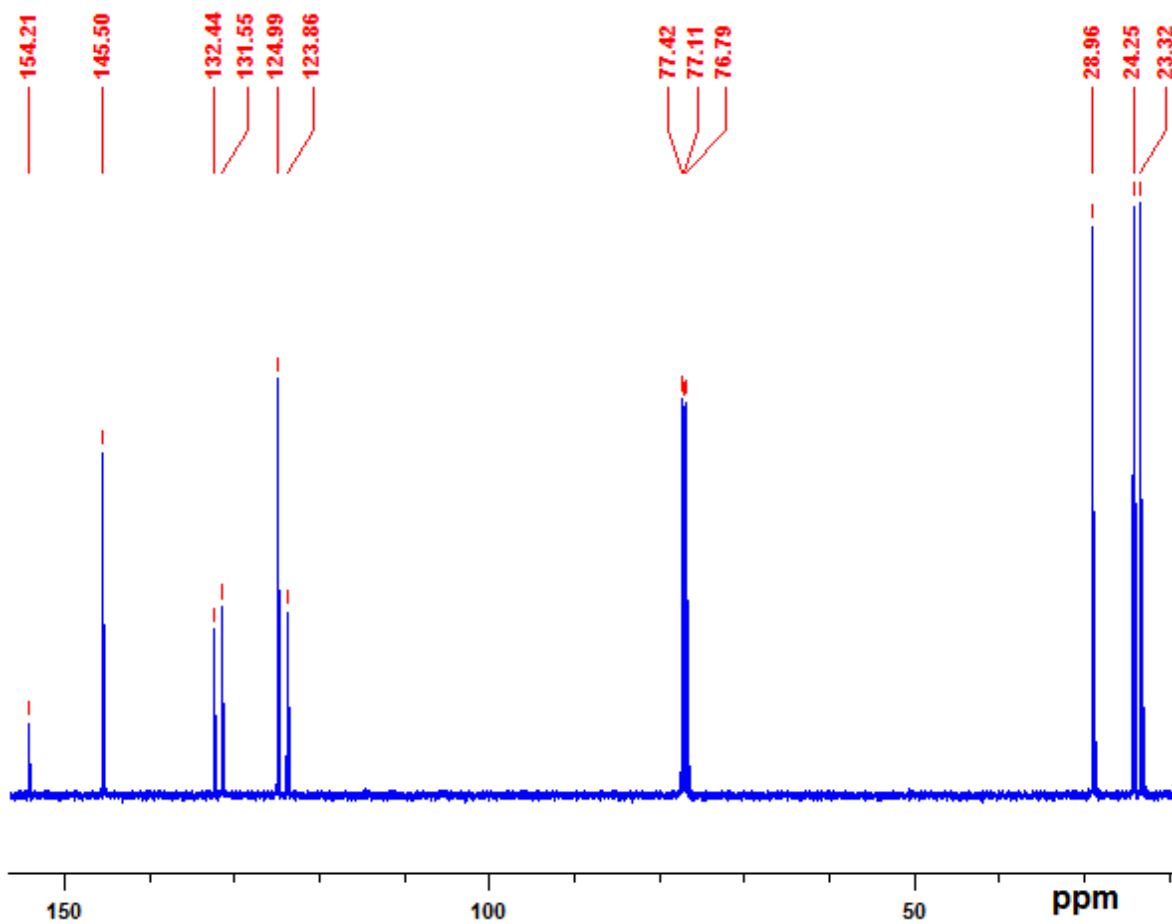
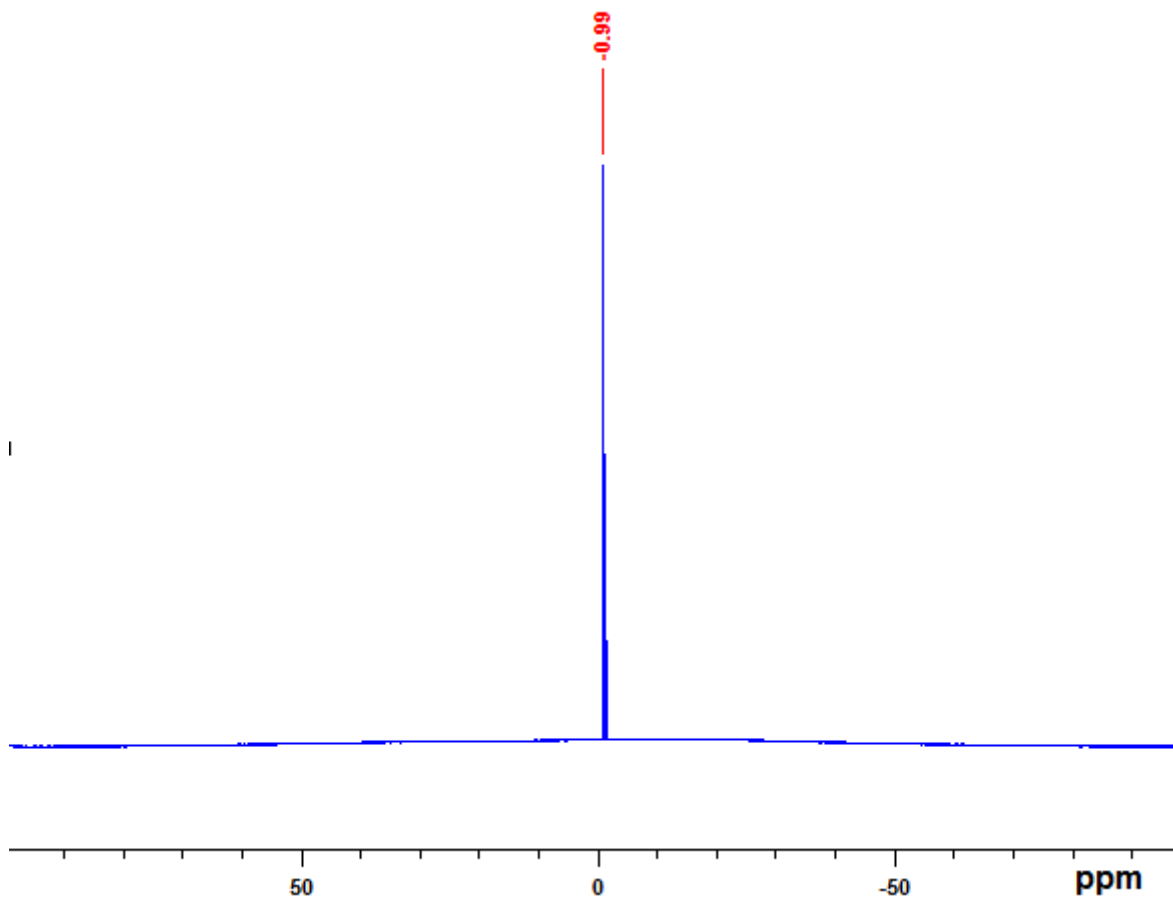
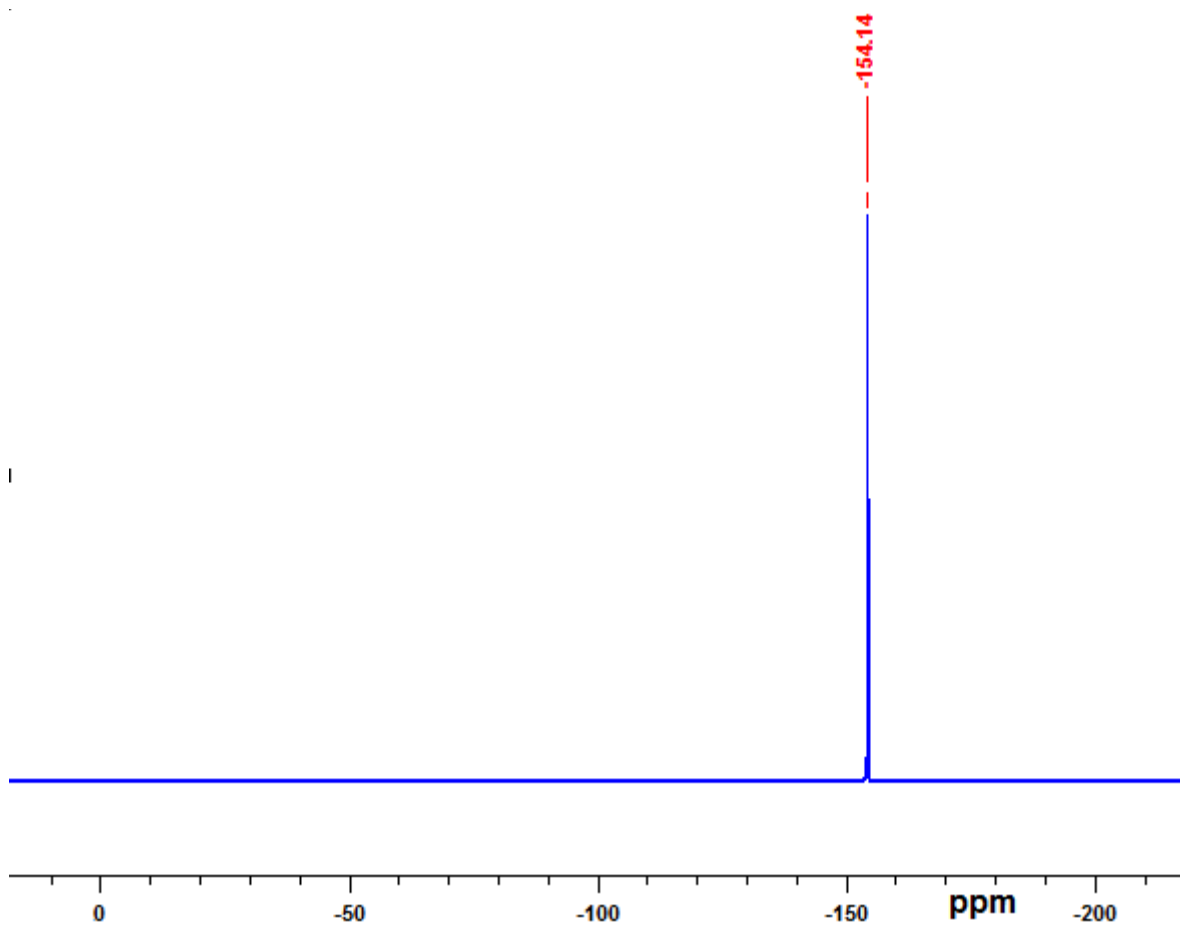


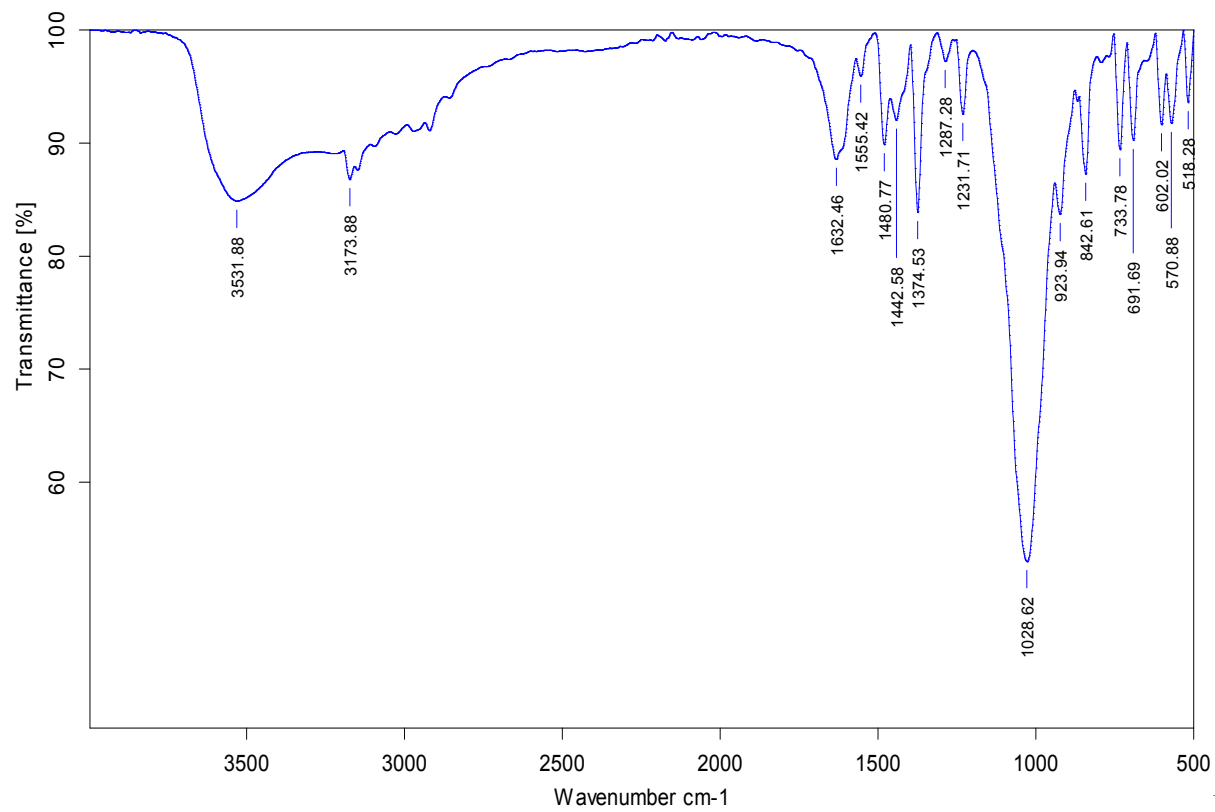
Fig. S20.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (6).



**Fig. S21.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**6**).



**Fig. S22.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IPrSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**6**).



**g. S23.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IMesS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]BF<sub>4</sub> (7).

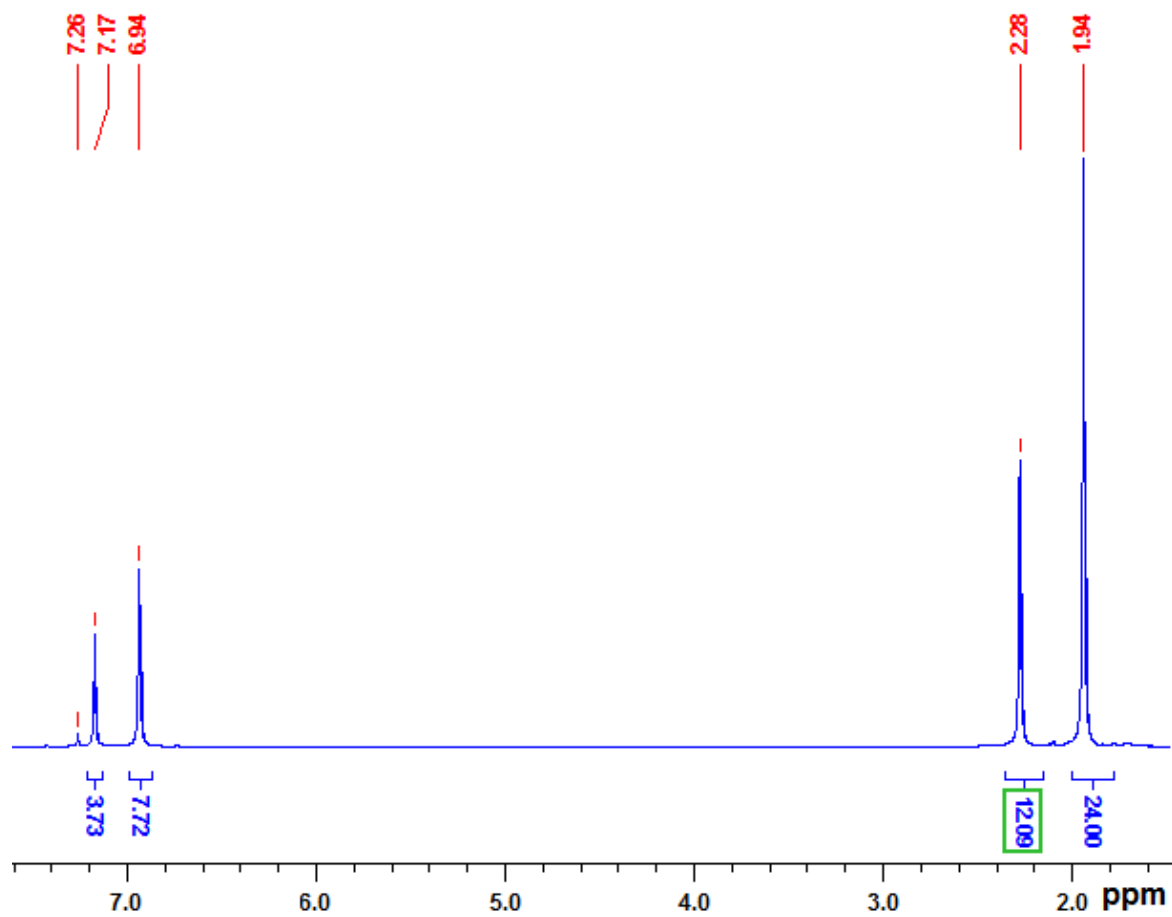


Fig. S24. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [(IMesS)<sub>2</sub>Cu]BF<sub>4</sub> (7).



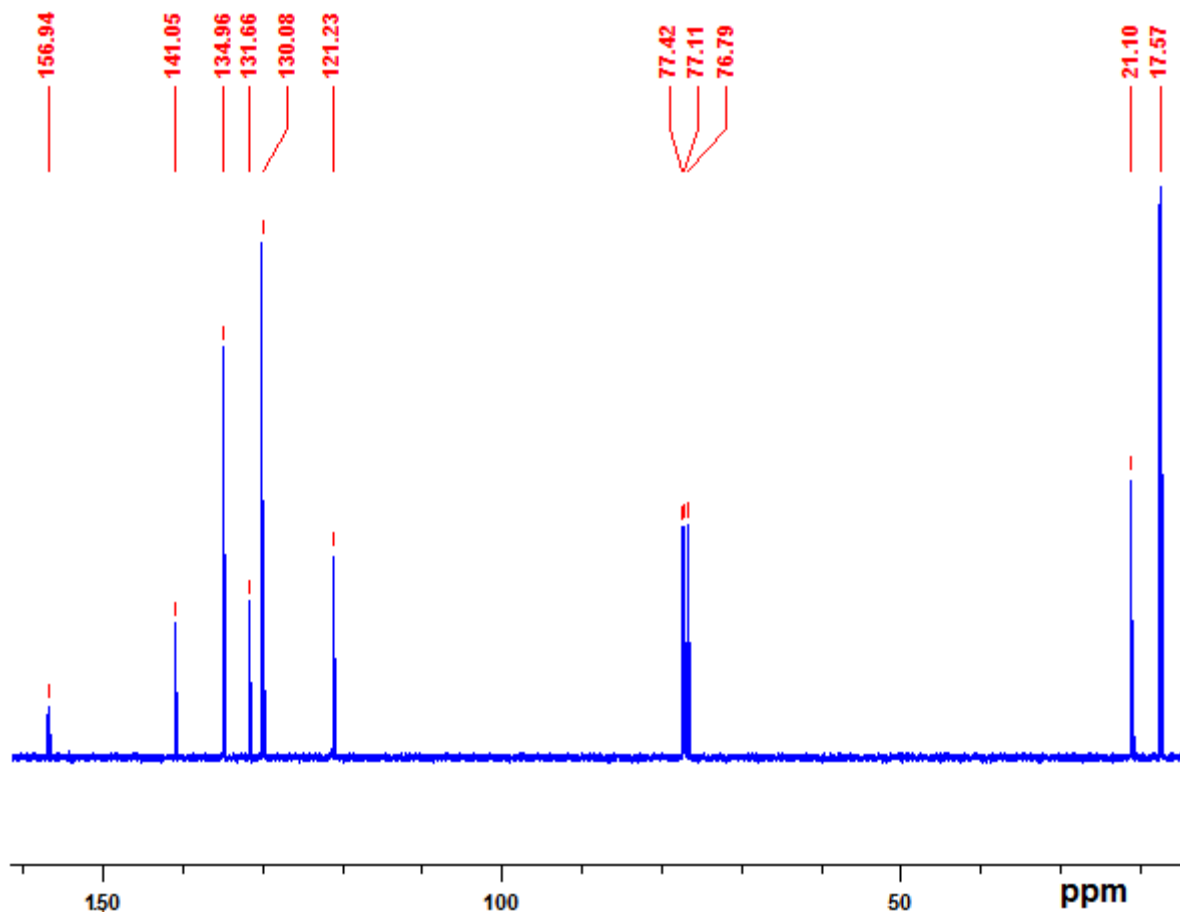
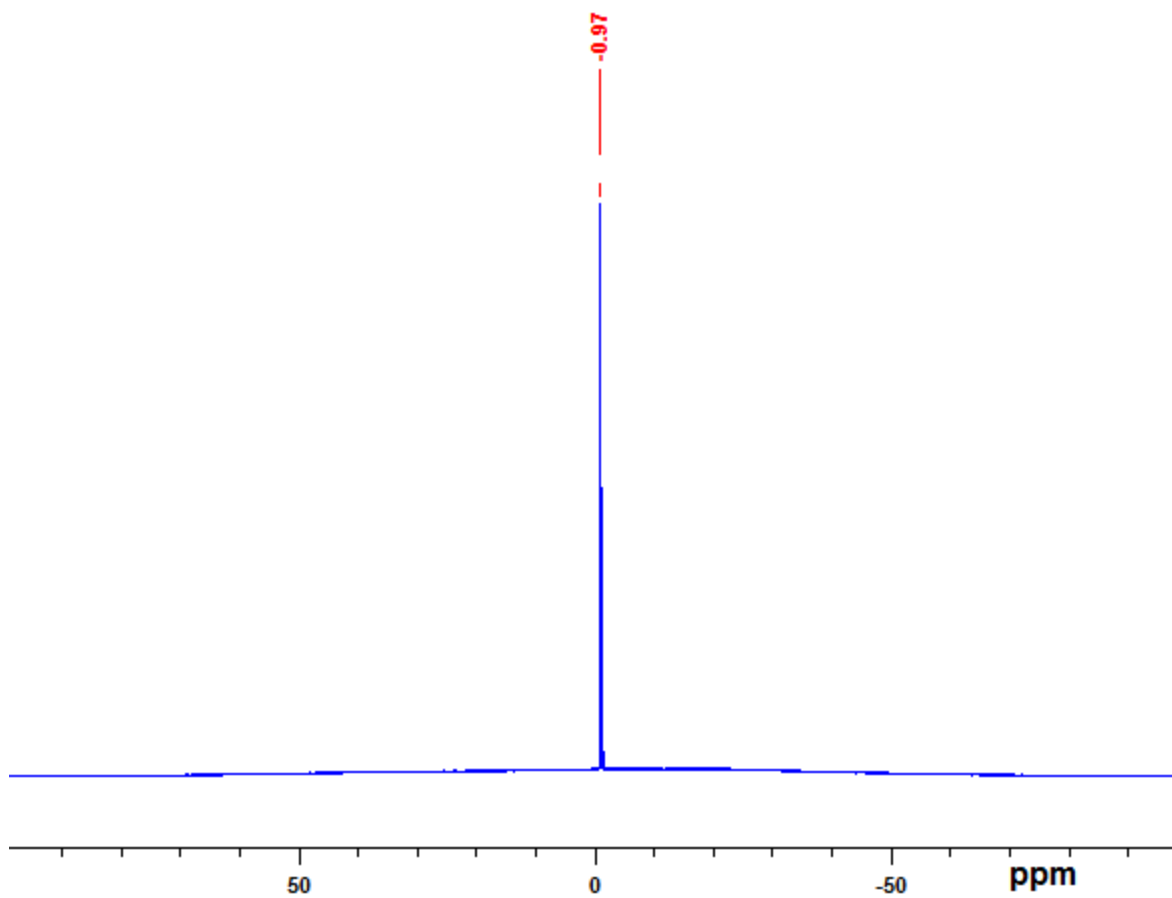
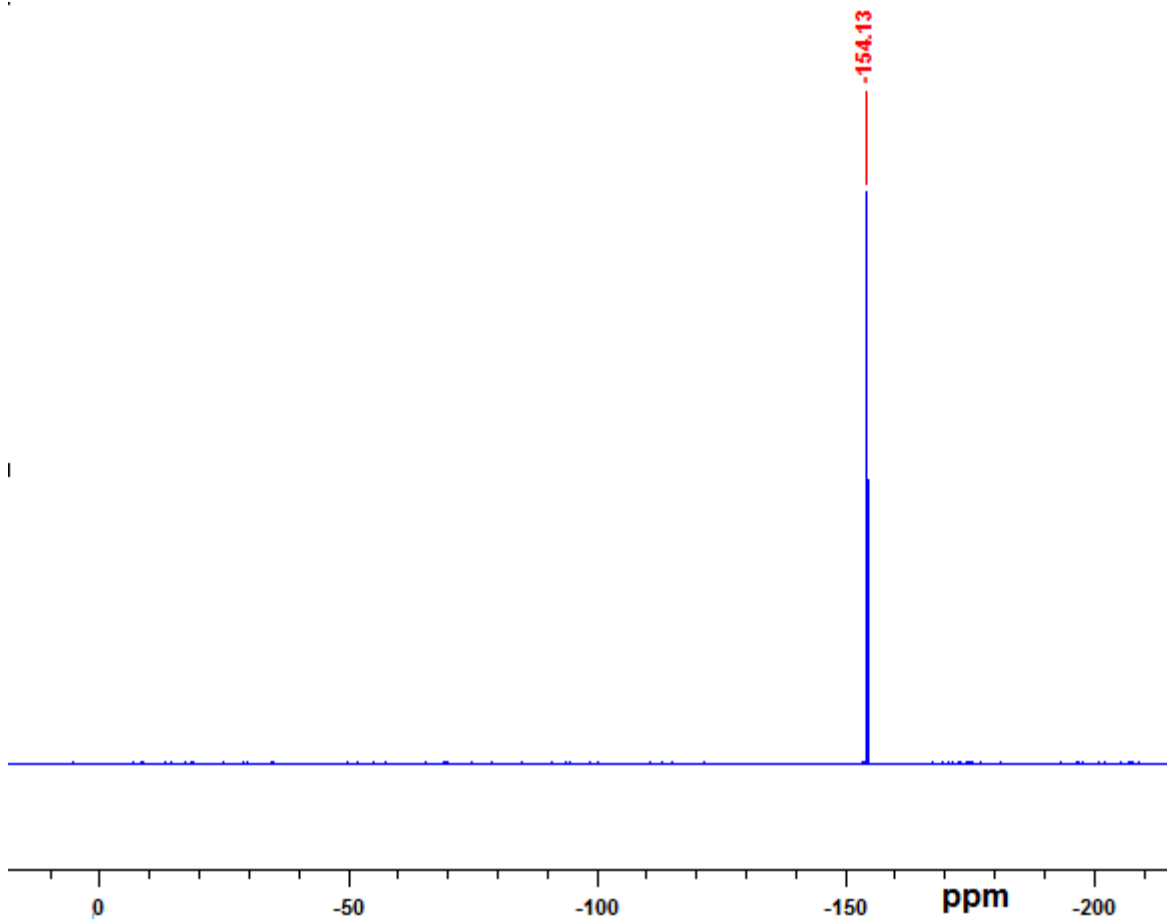


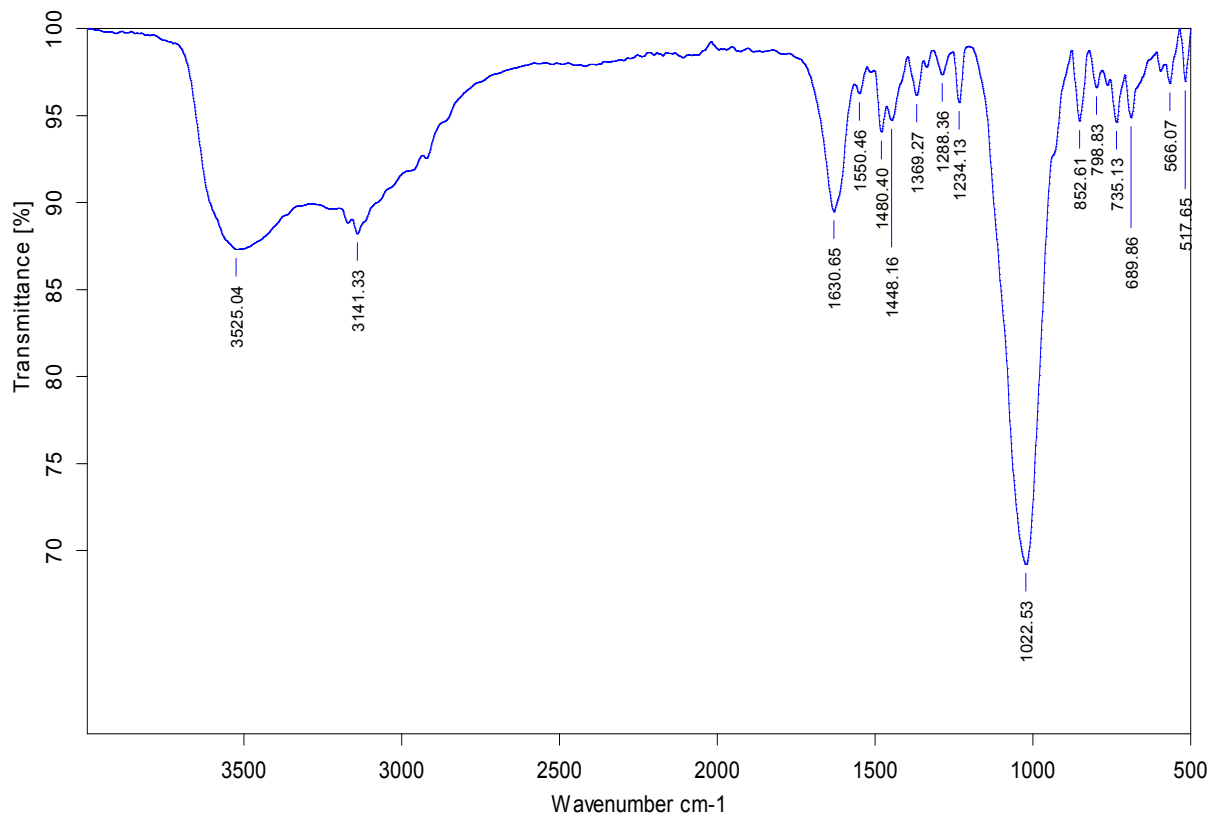
Fig. S25.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesS})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (7).



**Fig. S26.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesS})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**7**).



**Fig. S27.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesS})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (7).



**Fig. S28.** Neat FT-IR spectrum of [(IMesSe)<sub>2</sub>Cu]BF<sub>4</sub> (**8**).

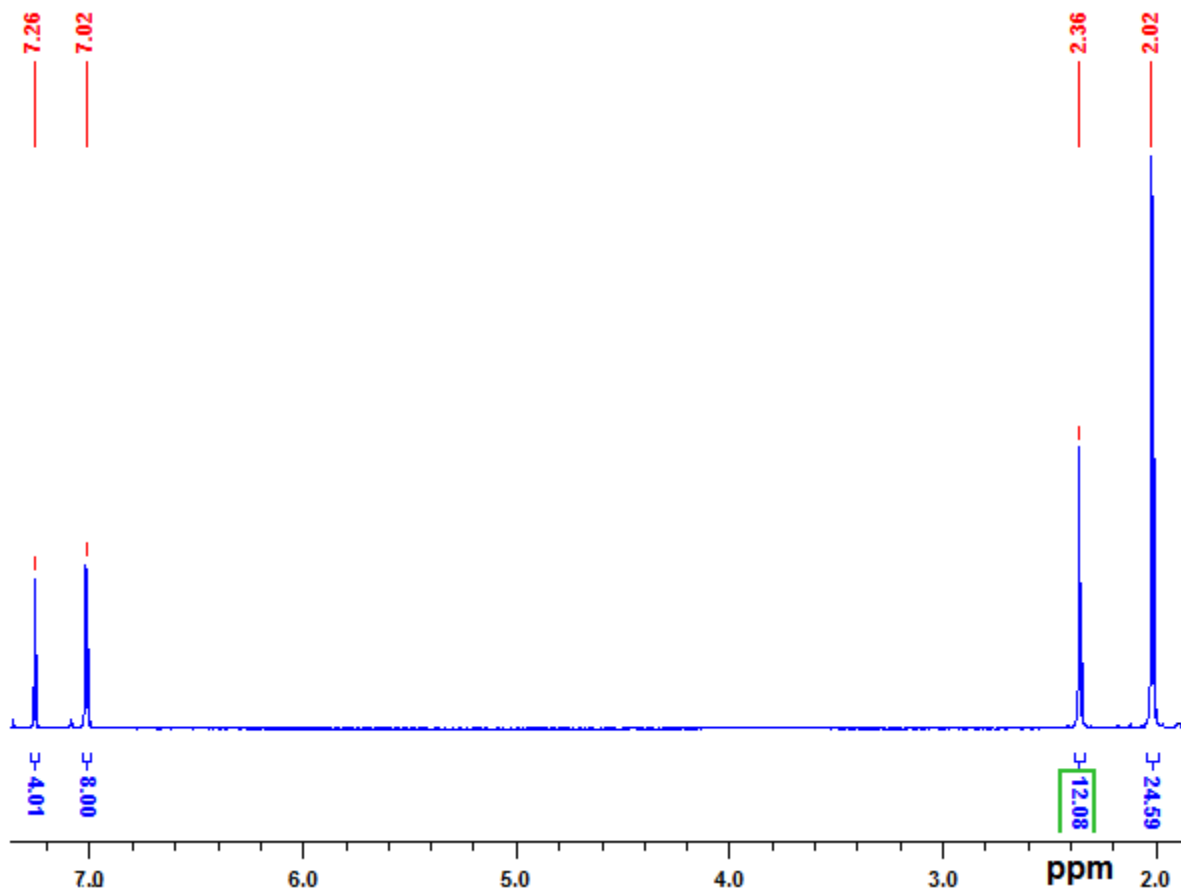


Fig. S29.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (8).

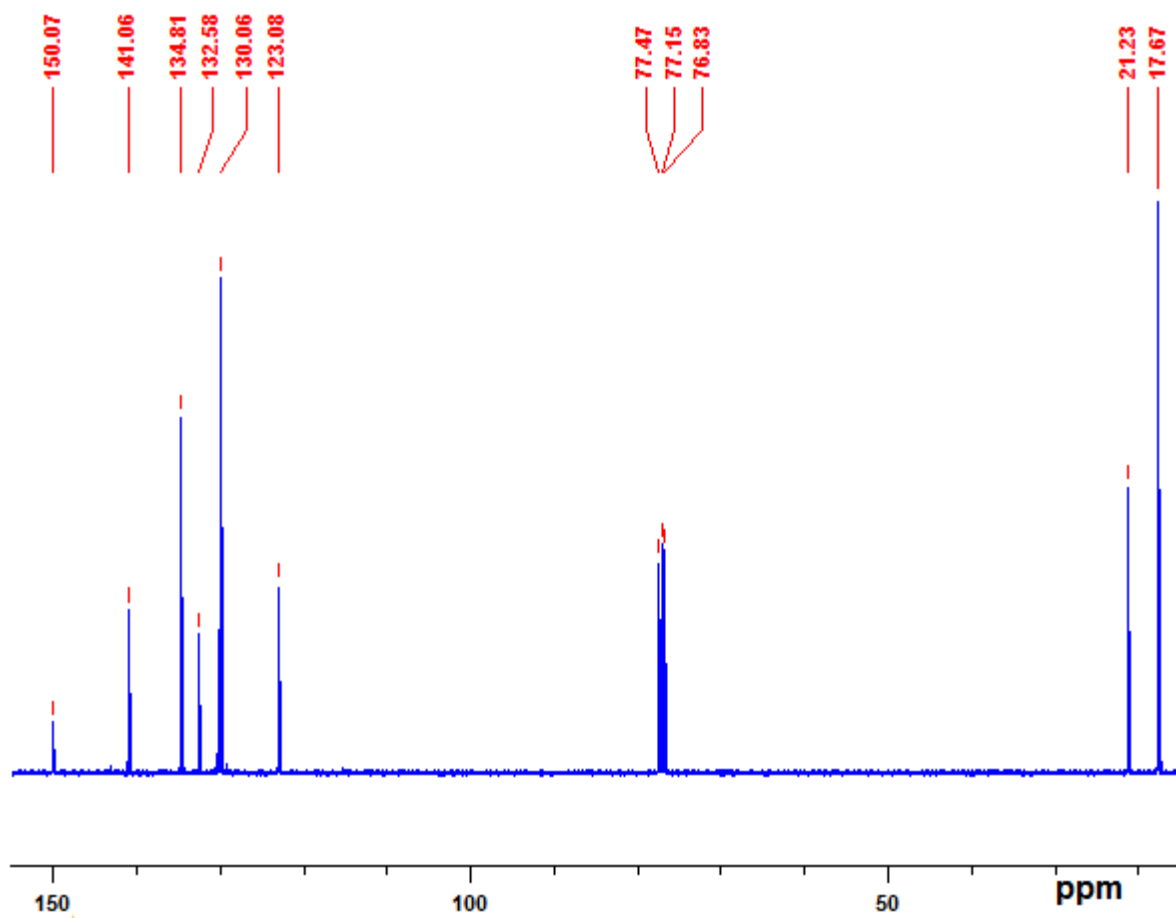
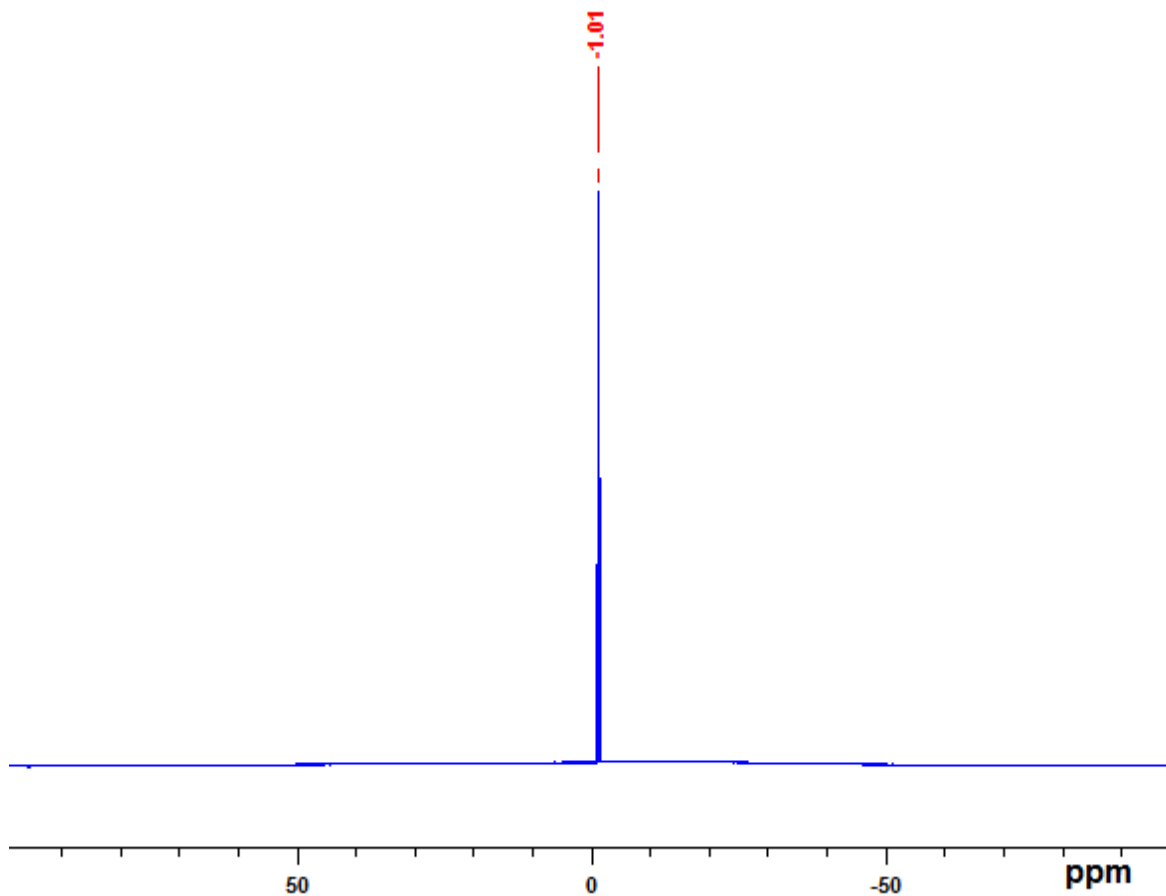
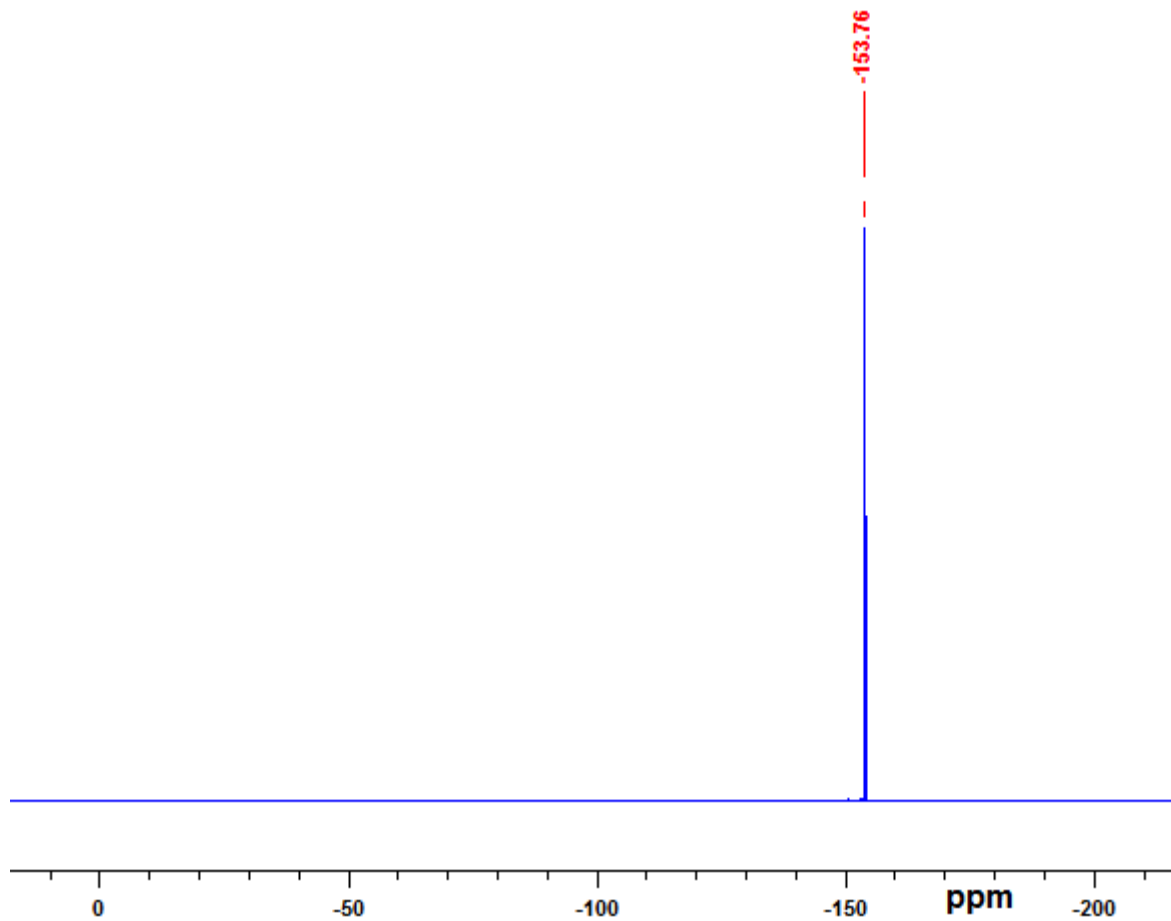


Fig. S30.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (8).

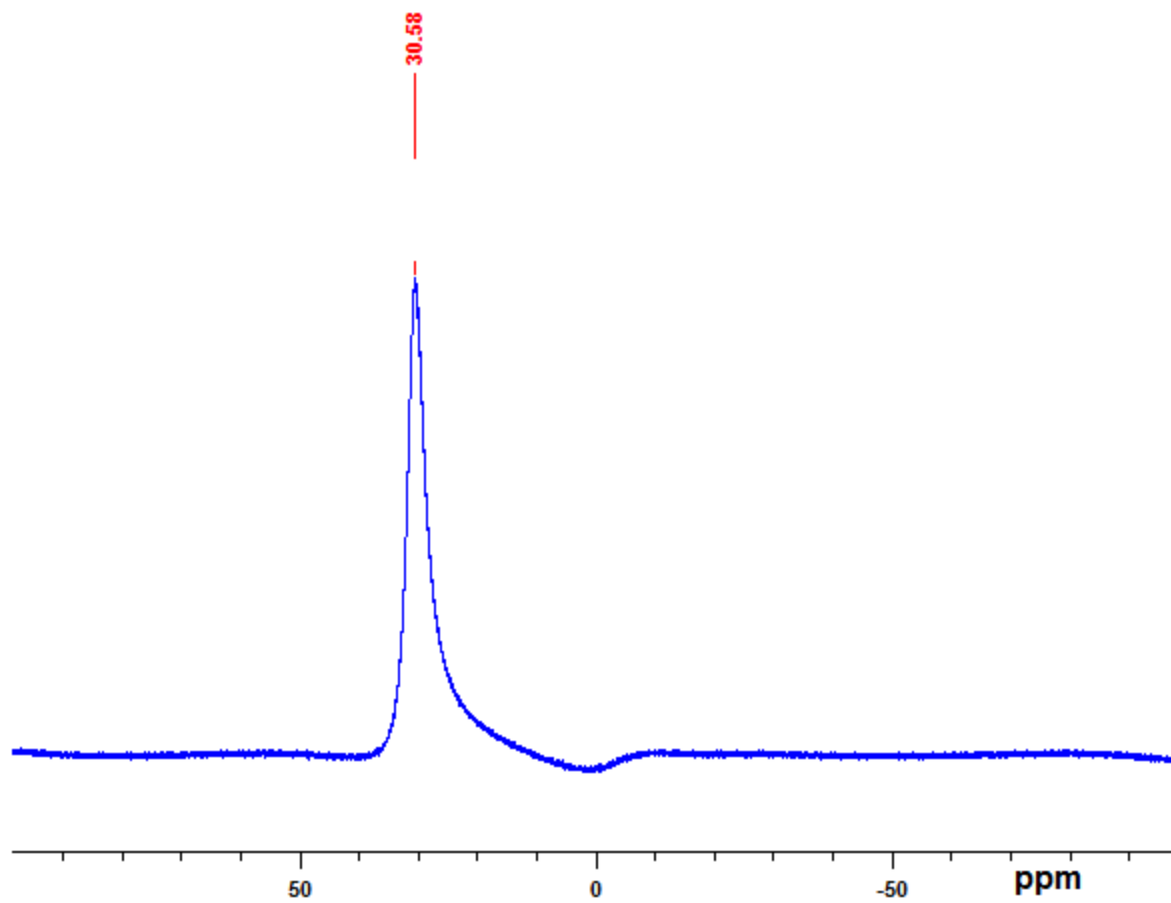


**Fig. S31.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**8**).

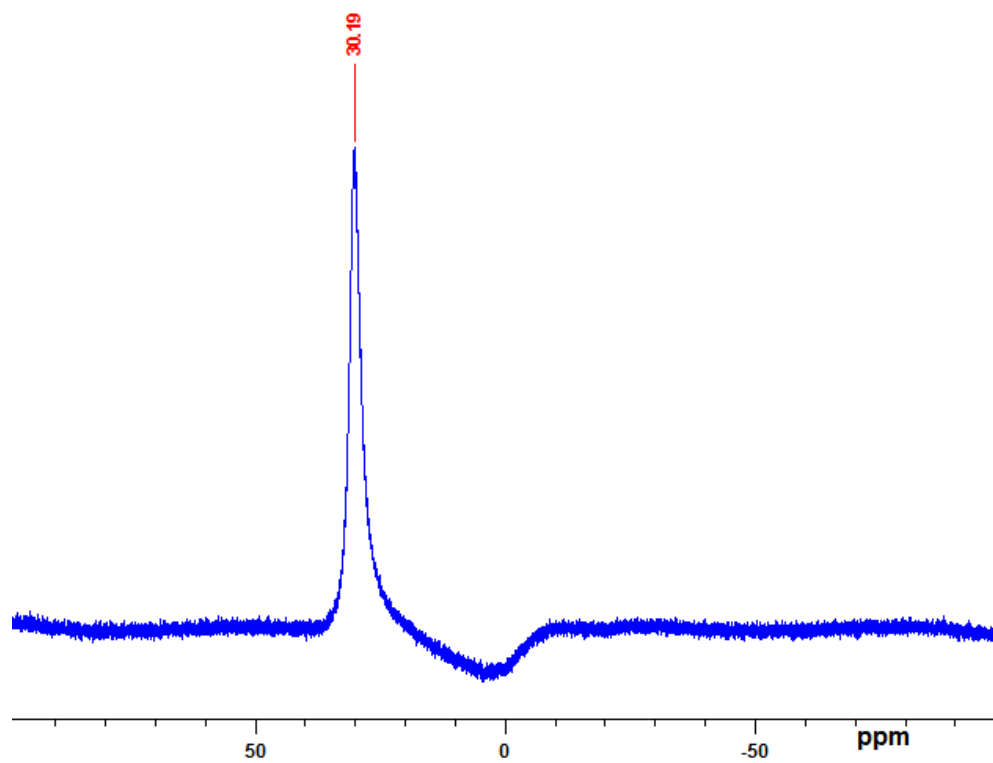


**Fig. S32.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{IMesSe})_2\text{Cu}]\text{BF}_4$  (**8**).

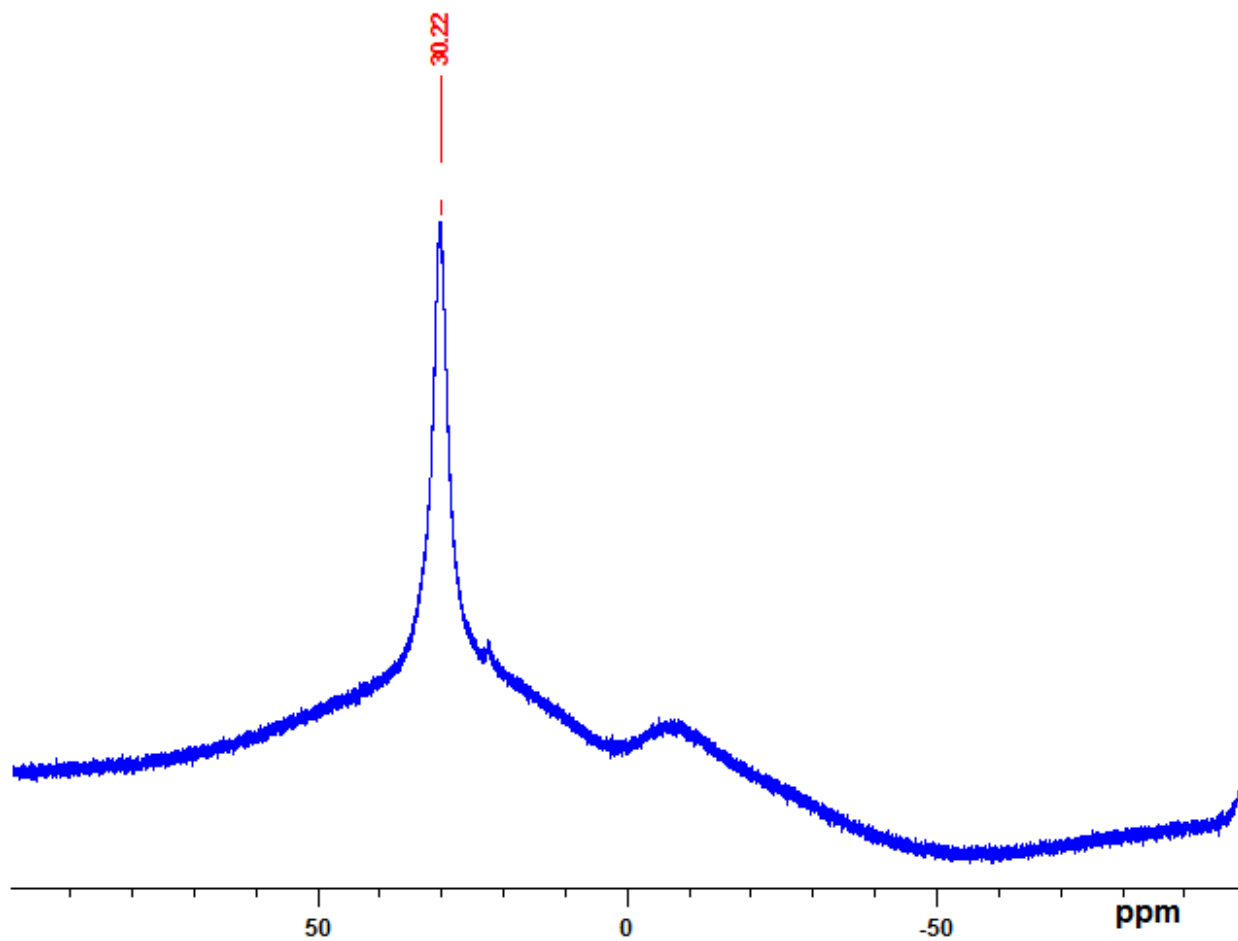




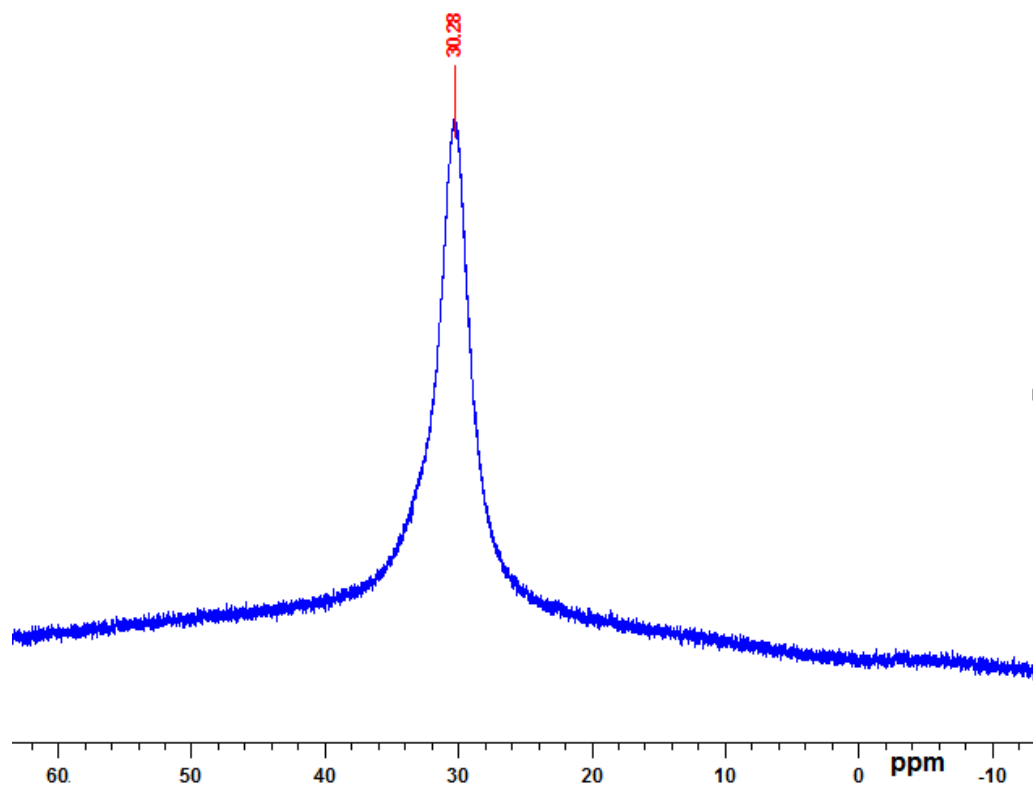
**Fig. S33.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of (Z)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylprop-1-en-2-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



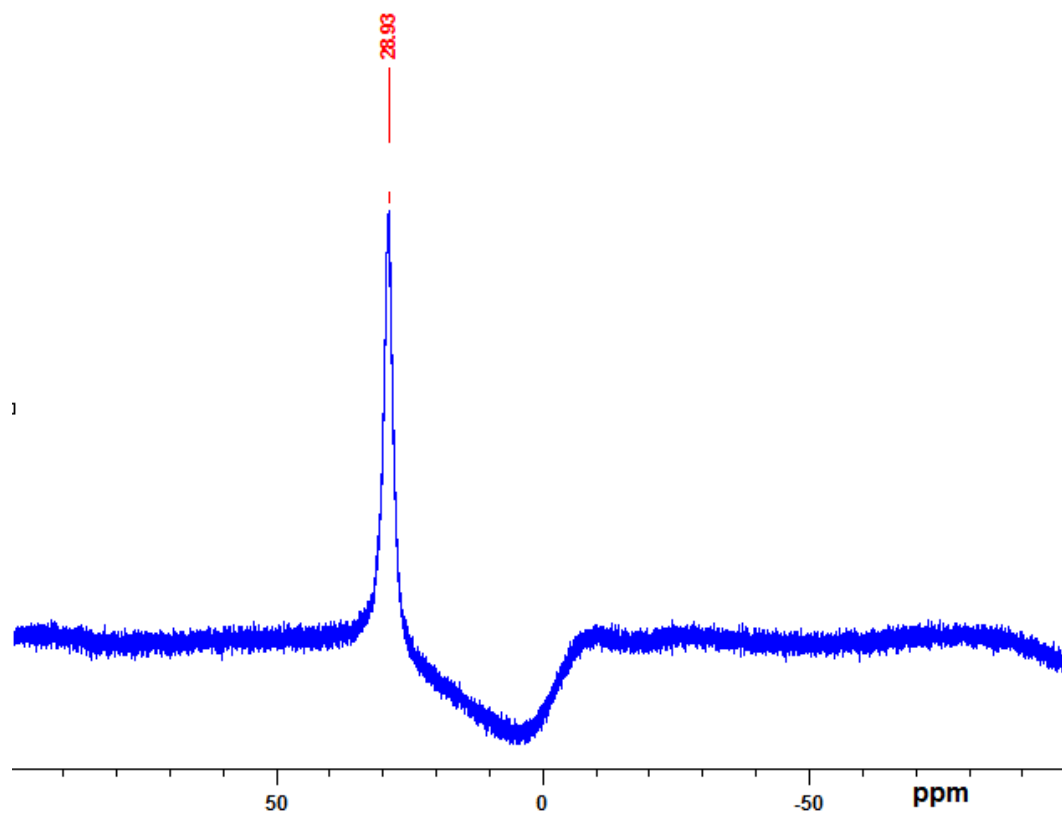
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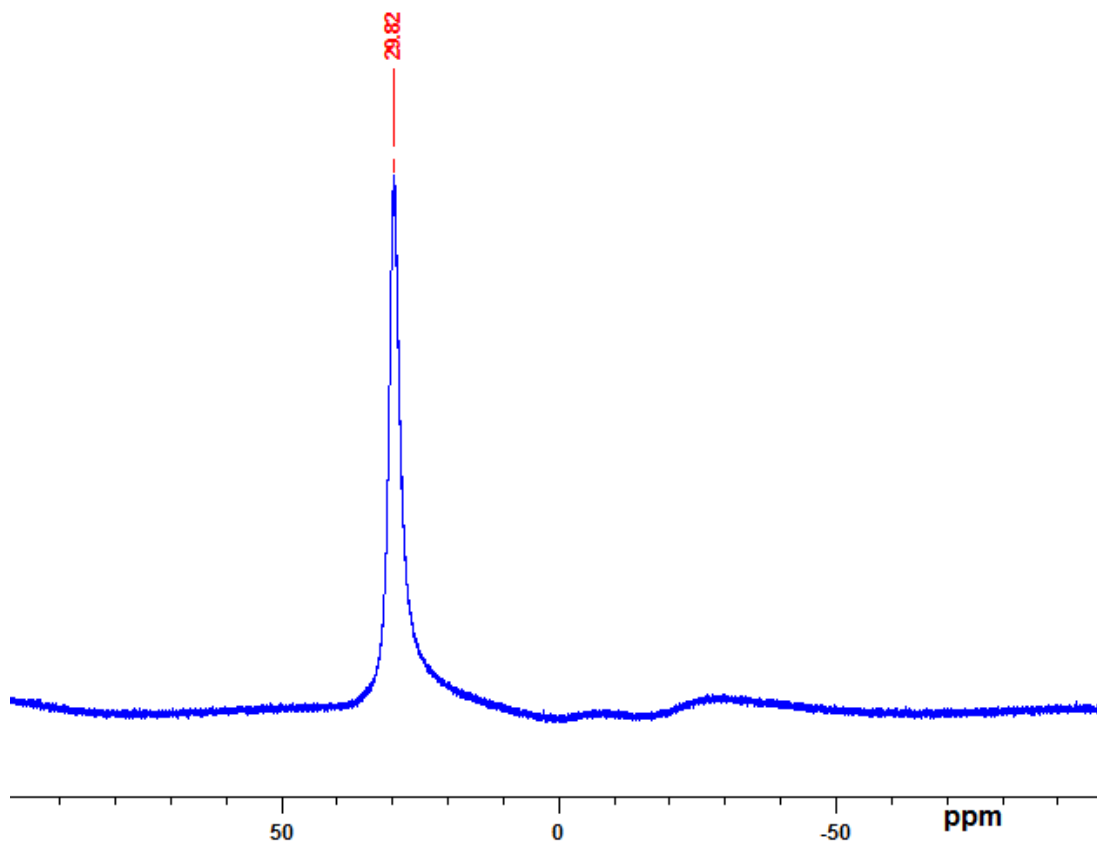
**Fig. S35.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of (Z)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylbut-1-en-2-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



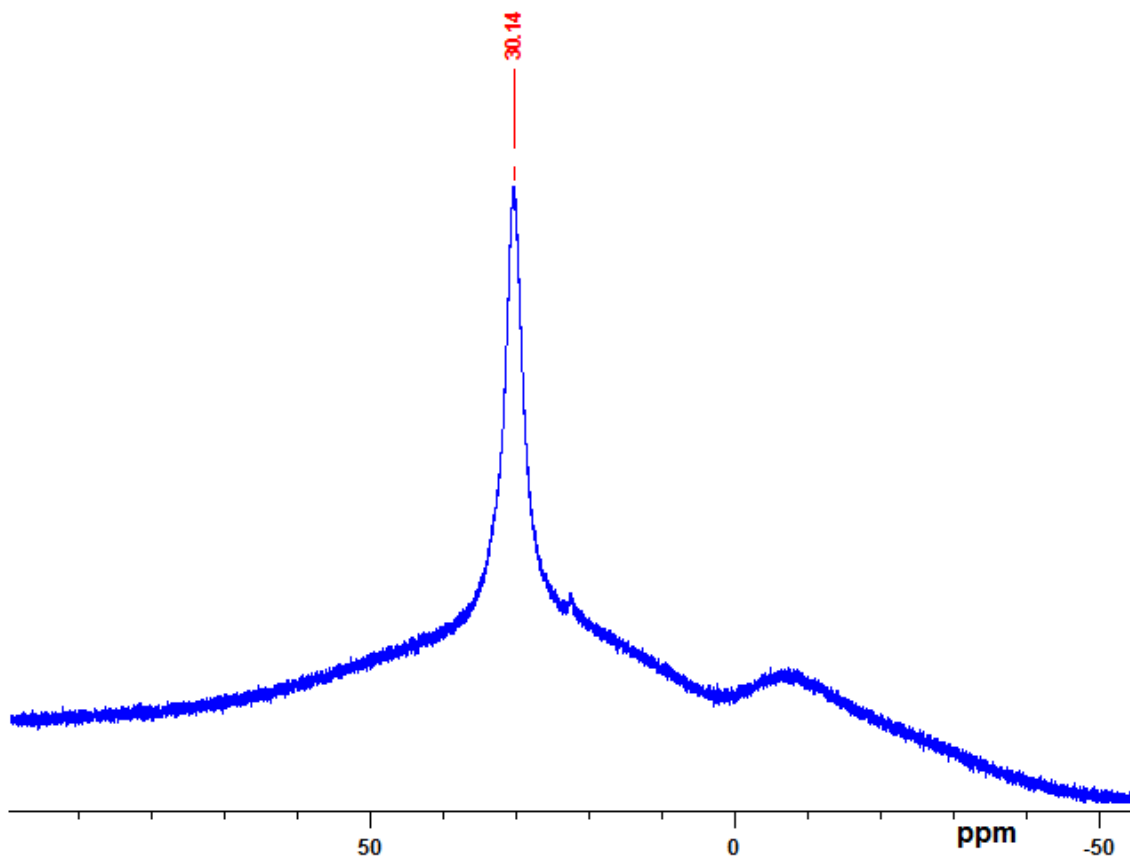
**Fig. S36.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of (Z) ethyl -3-phenyl-3-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)acrylate.



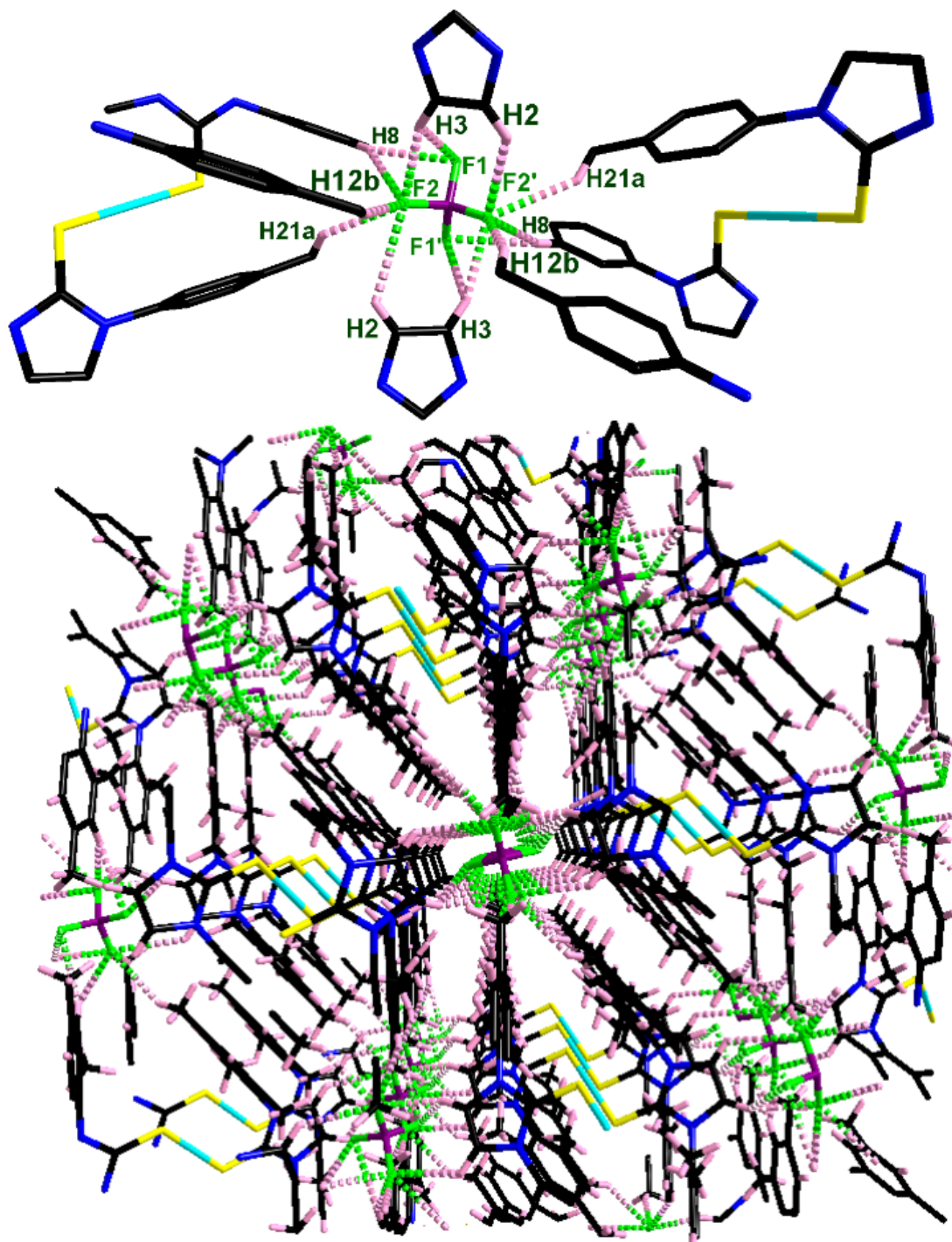
**Fig. S38.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of (Z)-2-(hex-2-en-2-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



**Fig. S39.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of (E)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



**Fig. S40.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of (Z)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(oct-2-en-2-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



**Fig. S41.** Top; Intermolecular H-bonding interaction between the CH group (of aromatic ring and imidazole ring) with the F atom of tetra fluoro borate unit in **7**; D $\cdots$ A distances [ $\text{\AA}$ ]; F(1) $\cdots$ C(3)H, 2.6235(1); F(1) $\cdots$ C(8)H, 2.7145(1); F(2) $\cdots$ C(2)H, 2.8304(1); F(2) $\cdots$ C(12B)H, 2.7798(1); F(2) $\cdots$ C(21A)H, 2.5720(1). C–D $\cdots$ A angles [ $^\circ$ ]; B(1)–F(1)



$\cdots\text{H}(3)$ , 81.54;  $\text{B}(1)\text{--F}(1) \cdots\text{H}(8)$ , 94.64;  $\text{B}(1)\text{--F}(2) \cdots\text{H}(2)$ , 111.76;  $\text{B}(1)\text{--F}(2) \cdots\text{H}(3)$ , 95.22;  $\text{B}(1)\text{--F}(2) \cdots\text{H}(8)$ , 88.70;  $\text{B}(1)\text{--F}(2) \cdots\text{H}(12\text{b})$ , 137.55;  $\text{B}(1)\text{--F}(2) \cdots\text{H}(21\text{a})$ , 127.29. Non interacting hydrogen atoms and methyl groups have been omitted for the clarity. Bottom; Molecular association of **7** in solid state through extensive  $\text{H}\cdots\text{F}$  bonding.

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**Table S1.** Structural parameters of compounds **1-4**.

	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>69</sub> ClCuN <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>72</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> ClCuSe <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>48</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> ClCu S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>48</sub> N <sub>4</sub> CuSe <sub>2</sub> ClO <sub>4</sub>
Formula weight	1001.25	1098.12	835.96	929.79
Temperature (K)	298	150	298	150
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic
Space group	C2/c	C2/c	C2/c	P2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>
<i>a</i> /Å	19.8863(14)	19.5343(15)	21.1509(9)	8.3174(3)
<i>b</i> /Å	15.9337(4)	16.1976(6)	8.2603(3)	17.8053(5)
<i>c</i> /Å	20.405(3)	21.4008(15)	24.586(1)	28.9437(7)
$\alpha$ <sup>o</sup>	90	90	90	90
$\beta$ <sup>o</sup>	114.235(8)	121.691(10)	101.678(4)	90
$\gamma$ <sup>o</sup>	90	90	90	90
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	5895.8(10)	5761.7(9)	4206.5(3)	4286.4(2)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4	4
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{mg mm}^{-3}$	1.128	1.2658	1.3200	1.4407
Absorption coefficient ( $\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$ )	1.931	2.744	2.602	3.586
<i>F</i> (000)	2124.0	2272.4	1752.6	1887.5
Reflections collected	12751	10957	8849	11109
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0308	0.0354	0.0277	0.0363
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.650	1.039	1.030	1.035
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.0868	0.0766	0.0481	0.0480
w <i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.2510	0.233171	0.145660	0.140271
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> values (all data)	0.1097	0.0866	0.0642	0.0551
<i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> values (all data)	0.2710	0.2332	0.1457	0.1403

**Table S2.** Structural parameters of compounds **5-8**.

	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>72</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub> CuBF <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>72</sub> BN <sub>4</sub> F <sub>4</sub> CuSe <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>48</sub> BN <sub>4</sub> F <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub> Cu	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>48</sub> BCuF <sub>4</sub> N <sub>4</sub> Se <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight	991.70	1085.44	823.32	917.16
Temperature (K)	298	150	150	150
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	C2/c	C2/c	C2/c	C2/c
<i>a</i> /Å	19.9289(11)	19.6185(8)	20.0772(7)	19.9268(8)
<i>b</i> /Å	15.8882(5)	16.1577(3)	8.2488(3)	8.3983(3)
<i>c</i> /Å	20.3741(16)	21.2244(9)	24.7461(10)	24.7922(10)
$\alpha$ /°	90	90	90	90
$\beta$ /°	114.824(8)	121.810(6)	101.745(4)	100.413(4)
$\gamma$ /°	90	90	90	90
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	5855.1(7)	5717.4(5)	4012.5(3)	4080.6(3)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4	4
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{mg mm}^{-3}$	1.1249	1.2609	1.3629	1.4928
Absorption coefficient ( $\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$ )	1.574	2.385	2.188	3.235
<i>F</i> (000)	2104.4	2239.3	1719.5	1854.4
Reflections collected	11826	10507	6872	6844
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0346	0.0221	0.0220	0.0240
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.067	1.031	1.049	1.052
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.0865	0.0736	0.0383	0.0391
w <i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.295348	0.235445	0.108046	0.106102
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> values (all data)	0.1127	0.0763	0.0442	0.0433
<i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> values (all data)	0.2953	0.2354	0.1080	0.1061