

Supporting Information

**Zinc Complexes Supported by Pyridine-N-Oxide Ligands: Synthesis,
Structure and Catalytic Michael Addition Reaction**

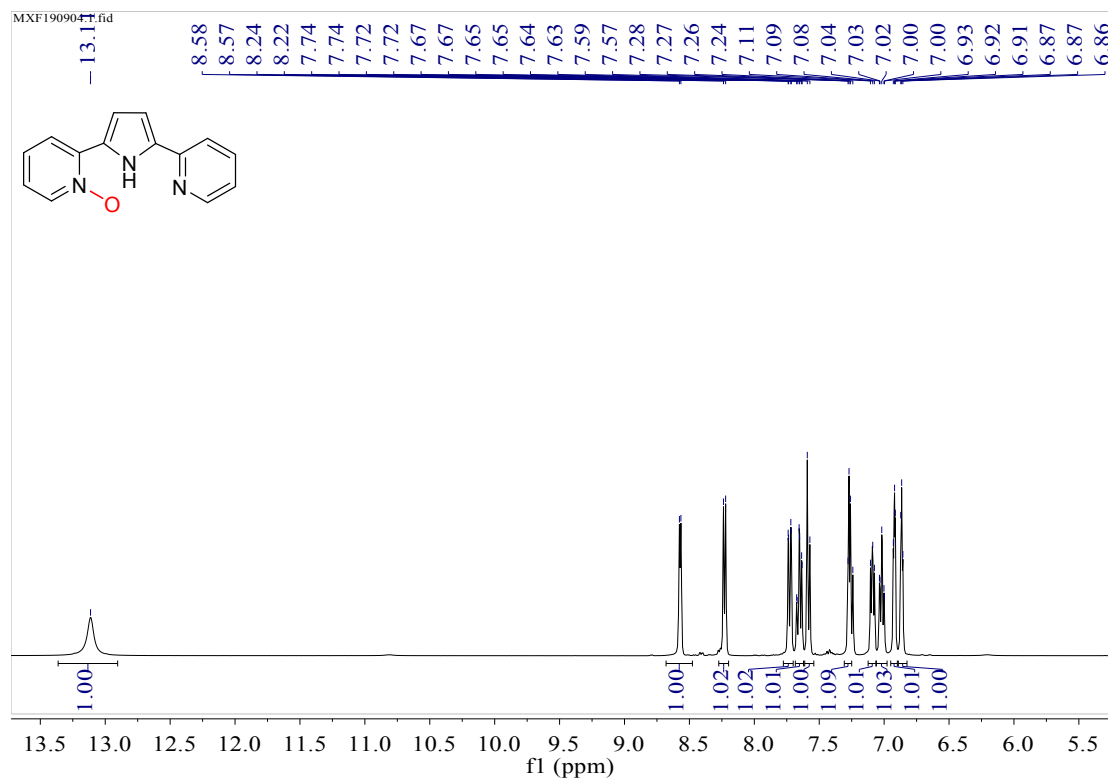
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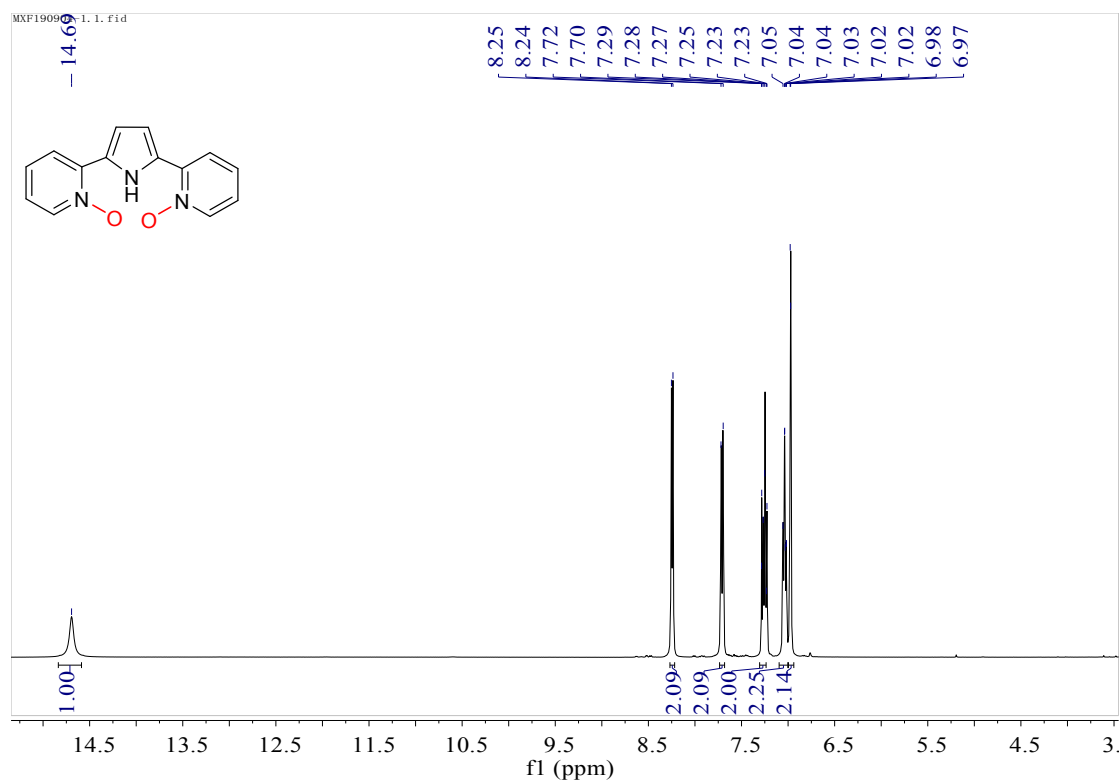
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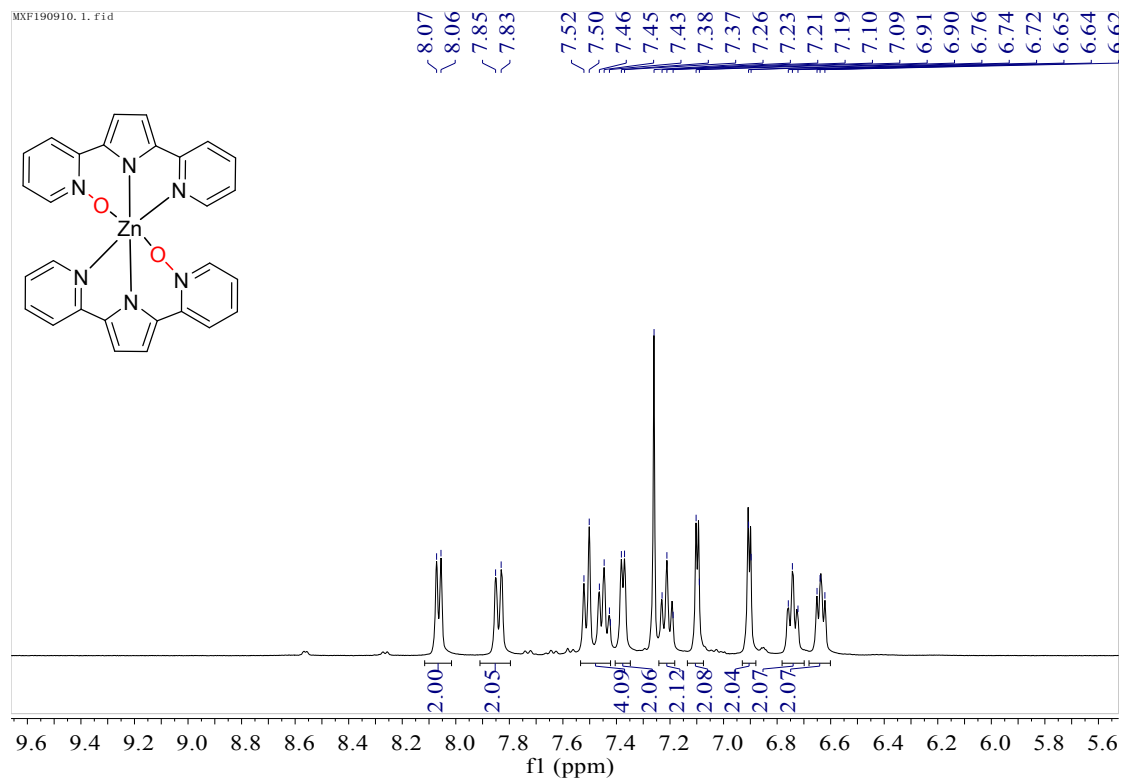
Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectra of ligands HL1, HL2 and complexes $[\text{Zn}(\text{L1})_2]$, $[\text{Zn}(\text{L2})_2]$



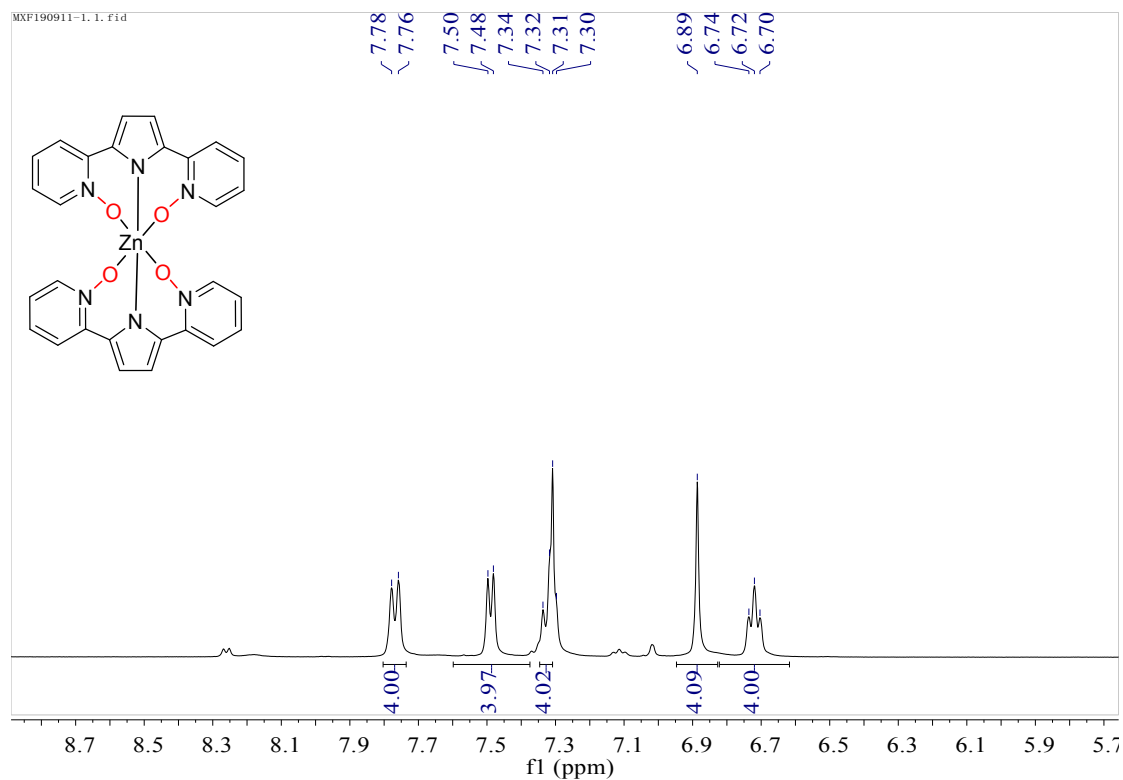
^1H NMR spectrum of ligand HL1



^1H NMR spectrum of ligand HL2

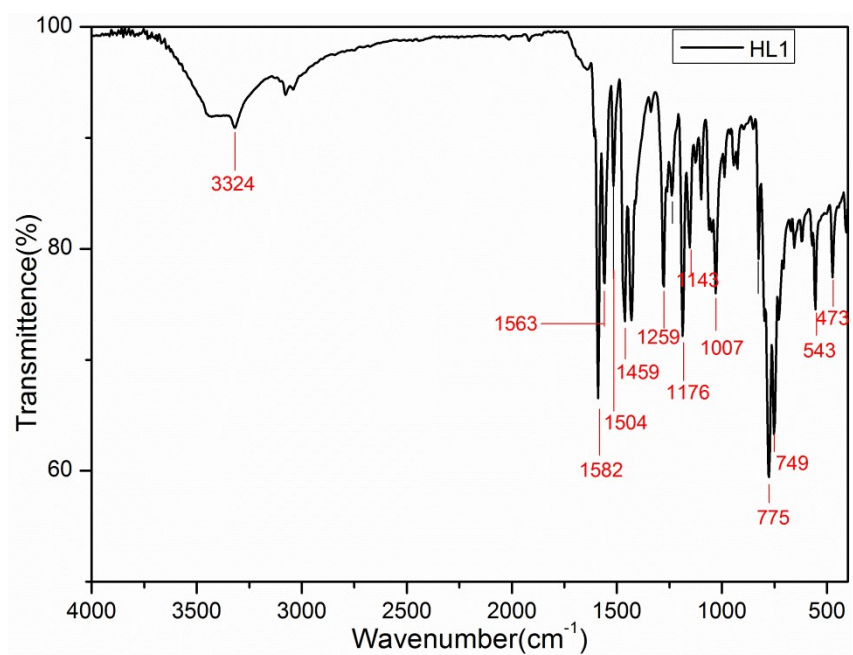


1H NMR spectrum of Complex $[Zn(L1)_2]$

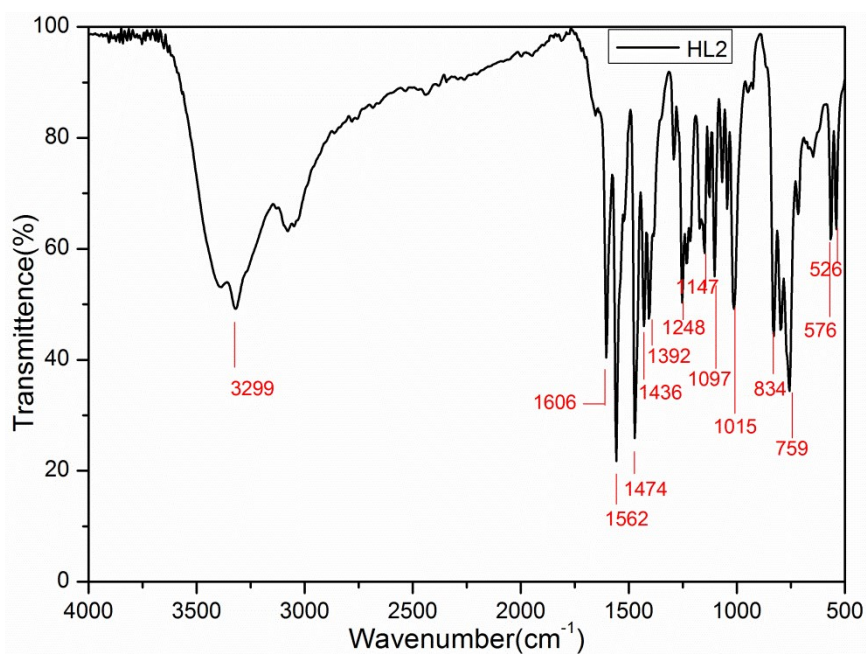


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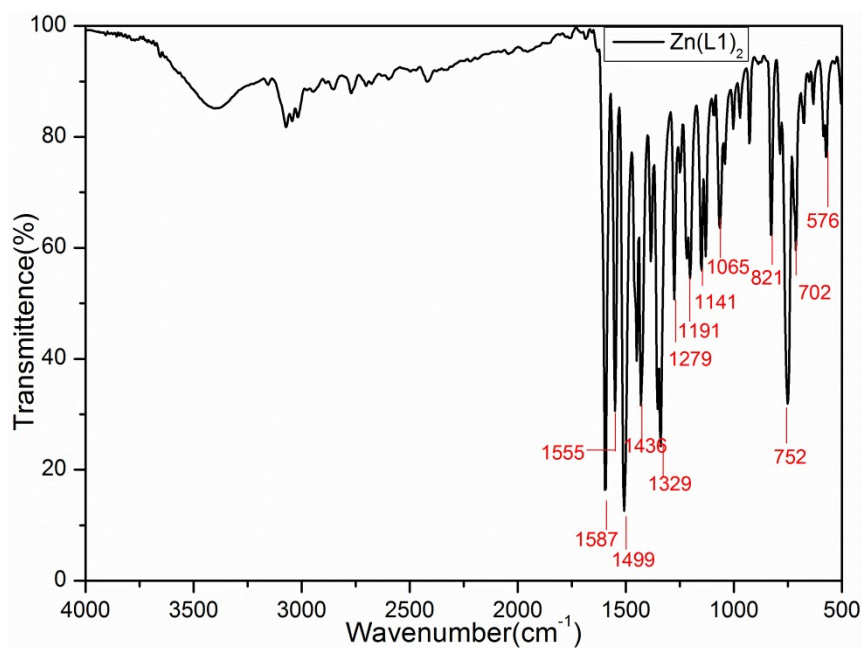
Figure S2. The IR spectra of ligands HL1, HL2 and complexes $[Zn(L1)_2]$, $[Zn(L2)_2]$.



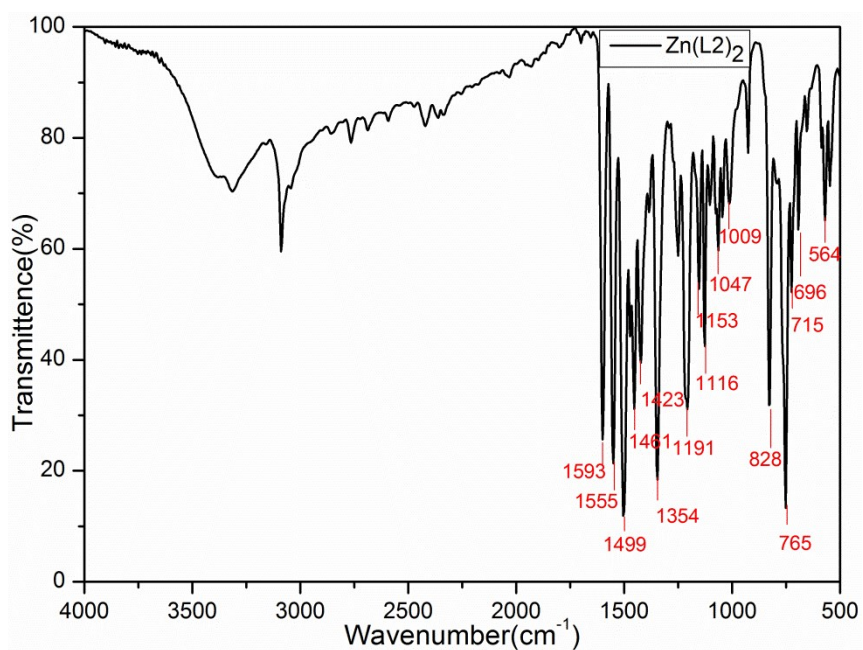
IR spectrum of ligand HL1



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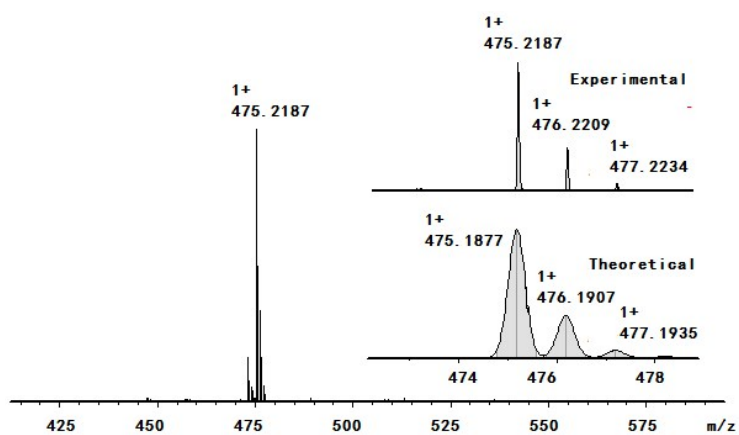


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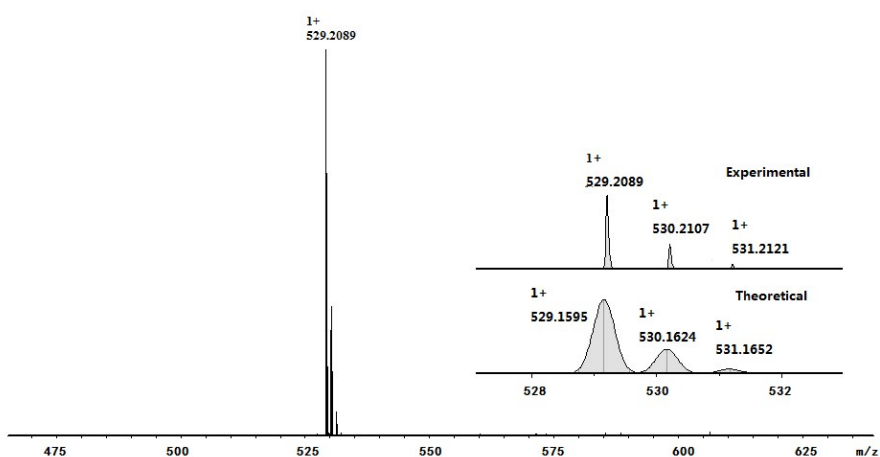


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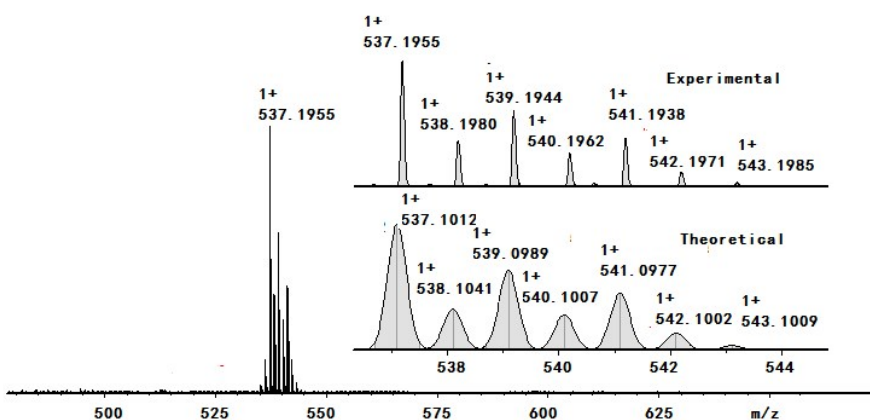
Figure S3. The ESI-MS spectra of ligands HL1, HL2 and complexes [Zn(L1)₂], [Zn(L2)₂].



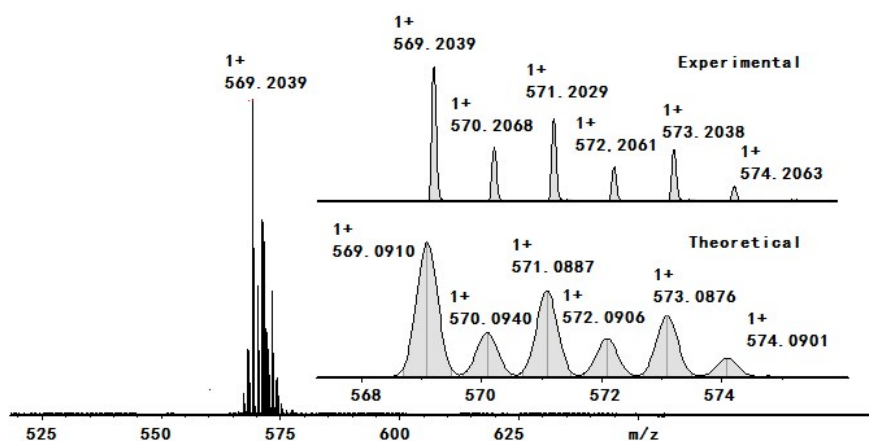
The ESI-MS spectrum of ligand HL1



The ESI-MS spectrum of ligand HL2



The ESI-MS spectrum of complex [Zn(L1)₂]



The ESI-MS spectrum of complex $[Zn(L2)_2]$

Figure S4. The intermolecular-stacking of ligands HL1, HL2 and complexes $[Zn(L1)_2]$, $[Zn(L2)_2]$.

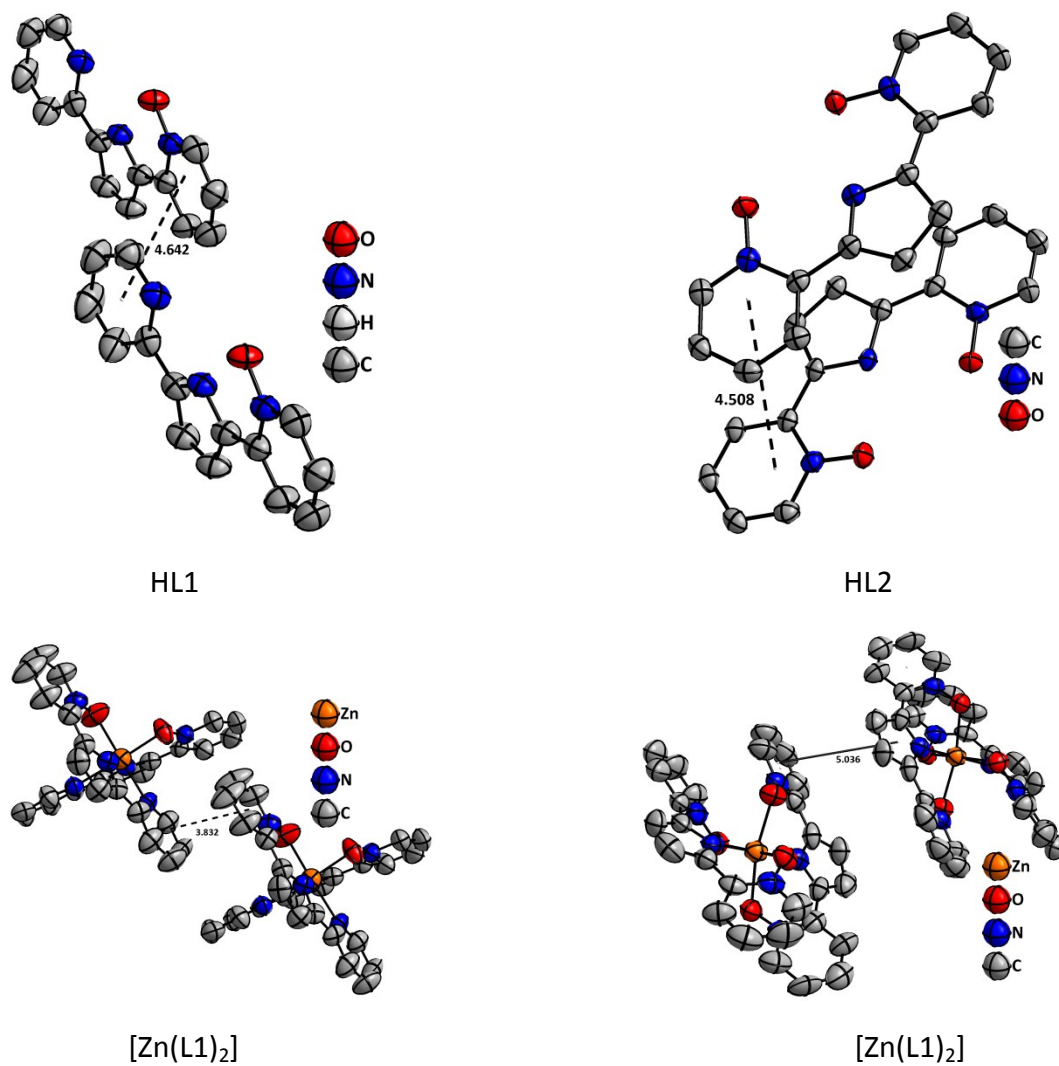


Table S1. X-ray crystallographic data for ligands HL1, HL2 and complexes [Zn(L1)₂], [Zn(L2)₂].

Complex	HL1	HL2	Zn(L1) ₂	Zn(L2) ₂
formula	C ₁₄ H ₁₁ N ₃ O	C ₁₄ H ₁₇ N ₃ O ₅	C _{56.5} H ₄₂ N ₁₂ O ₄ Zn ₂	C ₃₂ H ₂₈ Cl ₈ N ₆ O ₄ Zn
Formula weight	237.26	307.30	1119.21	909.57
Crystal system	orthorhombic	orthorhombic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	Pbca	C2/c	Fddd
a, Å	10.3807(4)	16.0485(5)	31.091(3)	12.8301(9)
b, Å	10.4296(4)	8.2154(2)	17.2866(16)	16.4771(11)
c, Å	11.1541(4)	22.2672(6)	9.3852(9)	37.538(3)
α, °	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
β, °	90.00	90.00	92.426(6)	90.00
γ, °	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
V, Å ³	1207.62(8)	2935.82(14)	5039.8(8)	7935.6(10)
Z	4	8	4	8
ρ _{calc} , g cm ⁻³	1.305	1.391	1.475	1.523
T, K	296(2)	296(2)	293(2)	293(2)
μ, mm ⁻¹	0.086	0.107	1.067	1.201
No. of reflections	16653	14549	18752	14968
No. of indep.	2365	2865	4426	1757
R _{int} ^{fl}	0.0165	0.0620	0.0922	0.1023
Goodness-of-fit	1.043	1.064	0.893	1.147
R ₁ ^a , wR ₂ ^b	0.0260,	0.0793,	0.0703, 0.1489	0.0783, 0.1904
^c [I > 2σ(I)]	0.0722	0.1896		
R ₁ , wR ₂ [all data]	0.0289, 0.0740	0.1417, 0.2090	0.2148, 0.1806	0.1575, 0.2155

$$^a \text{GoF} = [\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / (N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{param}})]^{1/2}.$$

$$^b R_1 = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|.$$

$$^c wR_2 = [(\sum w|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sum w^2 |F_o|^2]^{1/2}.$$

Table S2. Selected bond distances (Å) and bond angles (°) of ligand HL1 and HL2, complexes [Zn(L1)₂], [Zn(L2)₂].

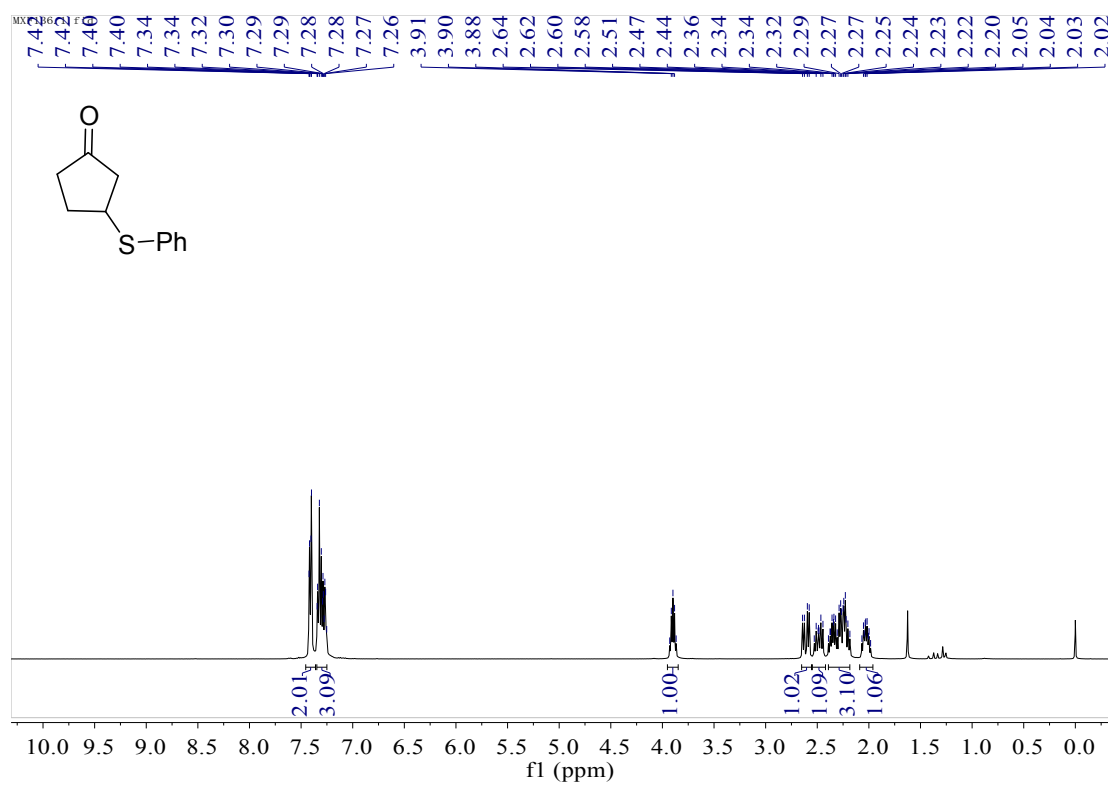
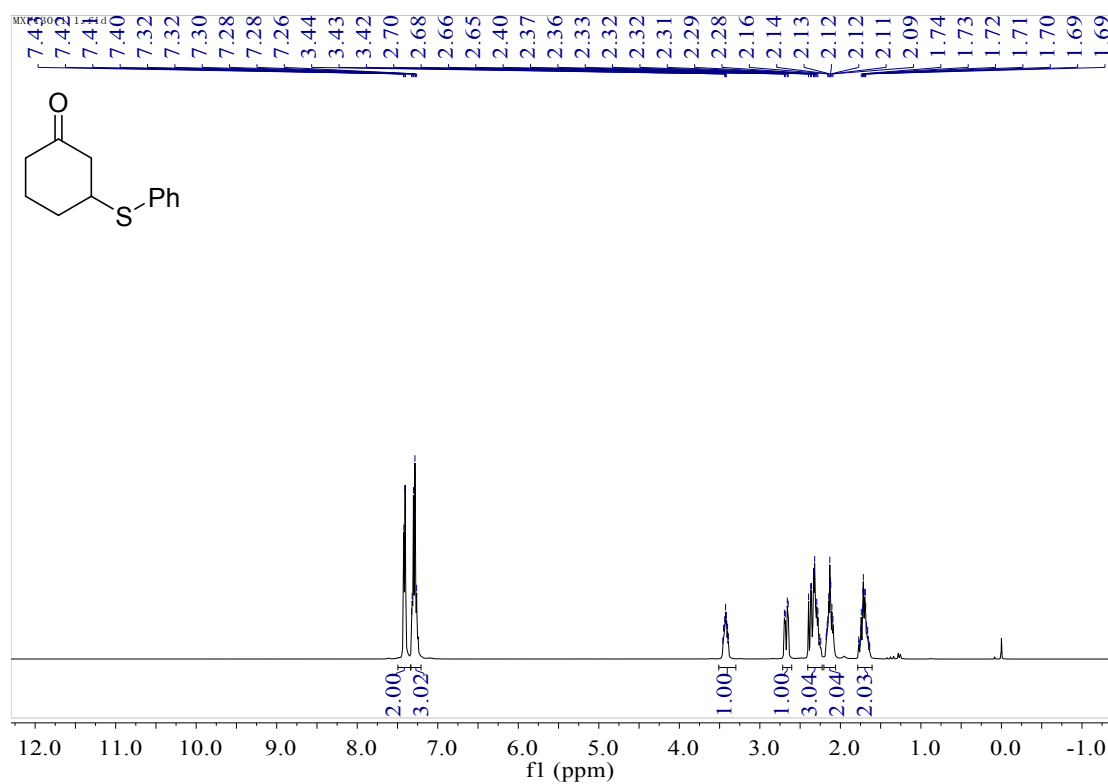
Ligand HL1			
N1-O1	1.3212(17)	C9-C10	1.450(2)
N1-C1	1.358(2)	O1-N1-C1	117.96(13)
N1-C5	1.370(2)	O1-N1-C5	121.29(13)
N2-C6	1.360(2)	N1-C5-C4	117.25(16)
N2-C9	1.357(2)	N1-C5-C6	120.46(15)
N3-C10	1.339(2)	N1-C1-C2	121.50(17)
N3-C14	1.331(2)	N2-C6-C5	124.72(14)
C1-C2	1.360(3)	N2-C6-C7	106.50(15)
C2-C3	1.380(3)	N2-C9-C8	106.57(16)
C3-C4	1.366(3)	N2-C9-C10	120.55(15)
C4-C5	1.391(2)	N3-C10-C9	116.31(15)
C5-C6	1.443(2)	N3-C10-C11	121.61(18)
C6-C7	1.389(2)	N3-C14-C13	124.1(2)
C7-C8	1.387(3)	C1-C2-C3	119.59(18)

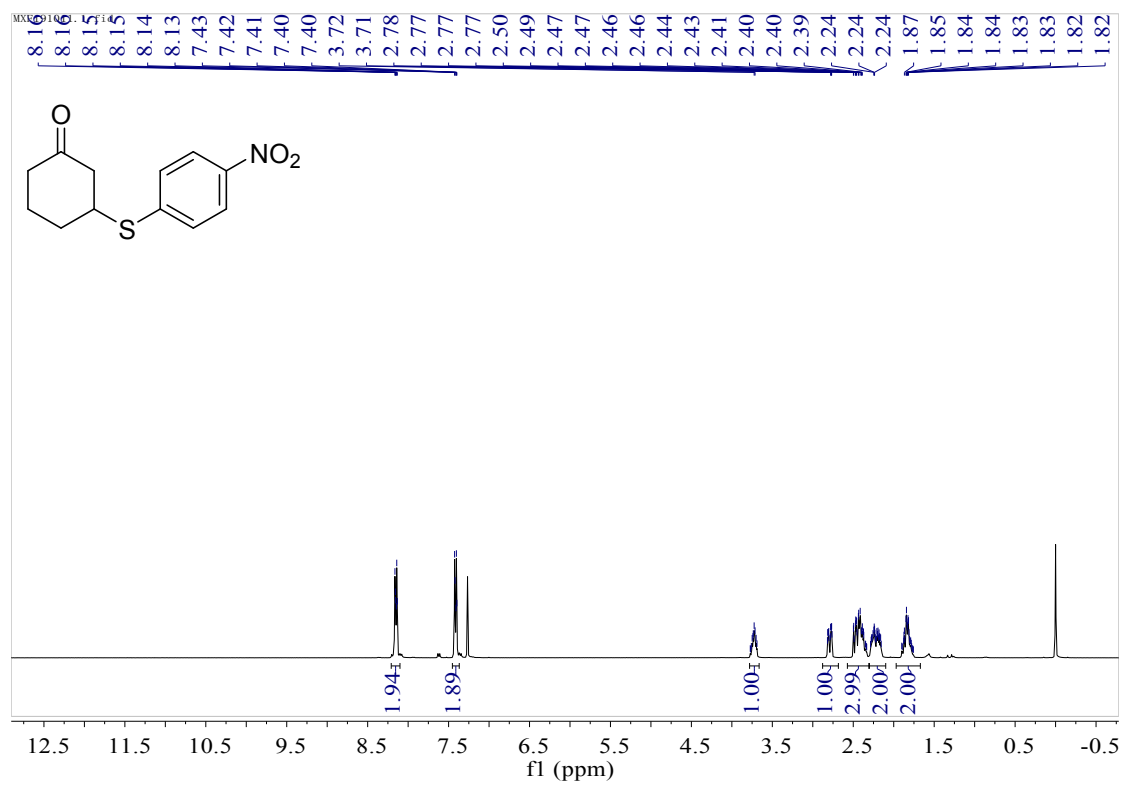
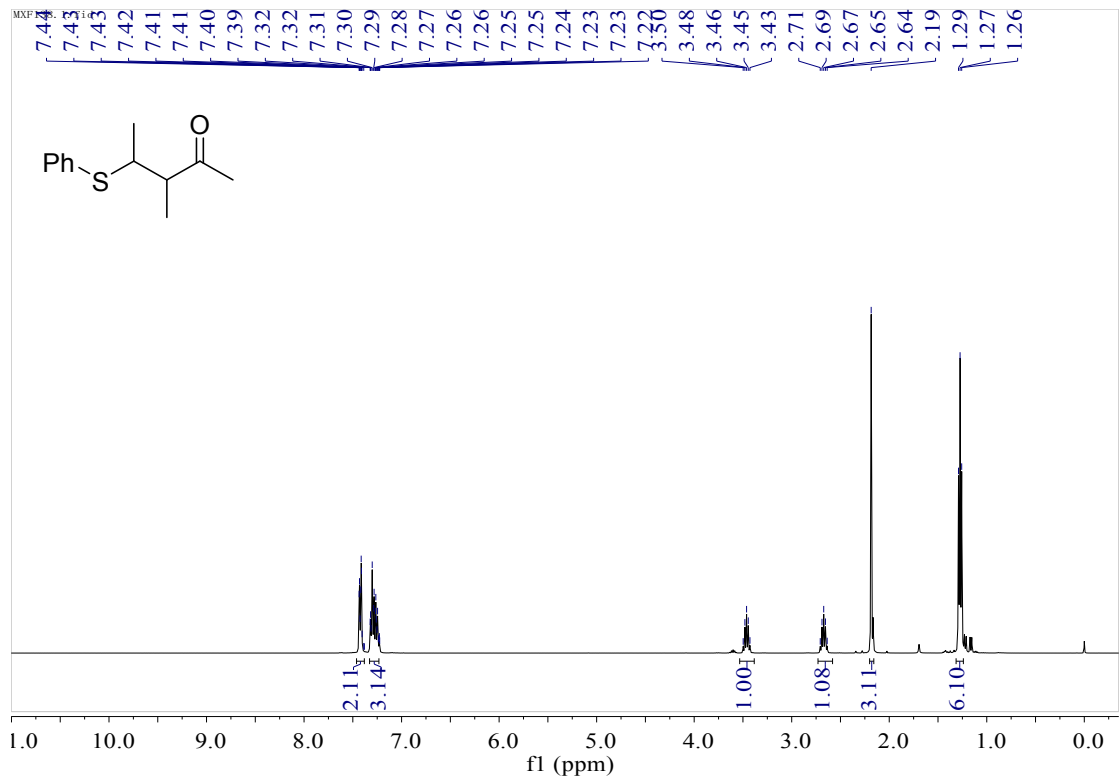
Ligand HL2			
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N1-C1	1.354(4)	O1-N1-C1	117.8(3)
N1-C5	1.374(4)	O1-N1-C5	121.5(3)
N2-O2	1.336(3)	O2-N2-C10	120.9(3)
N2-C10	1.369(4)	O2-N2-C14	117.6(3)
N2-C14	1.358(4)	N1-C1-C2	121.7(3)
N3-C6	1.356(4)	N1-C5-C4	117.2(3)
N3-C9	1.359(4)	N2-C10-C9	121.3(3)
C1-C2	1.357(5)	N2-C10-C11	117.3(4)
C2-C3	1.383(5)	N3-C6-C5	124.2(4)
C3-C4	1.361(5)	N3-C9-C8	107.6(3)
C4-C5	1.386(4)	N3-C9-C10	127.7(3)
C5-C6	1.443(5)	C1-C2-C3	119.1(3)
C6-C7	1.391(5)	C6-N3-C9	110.0(3)

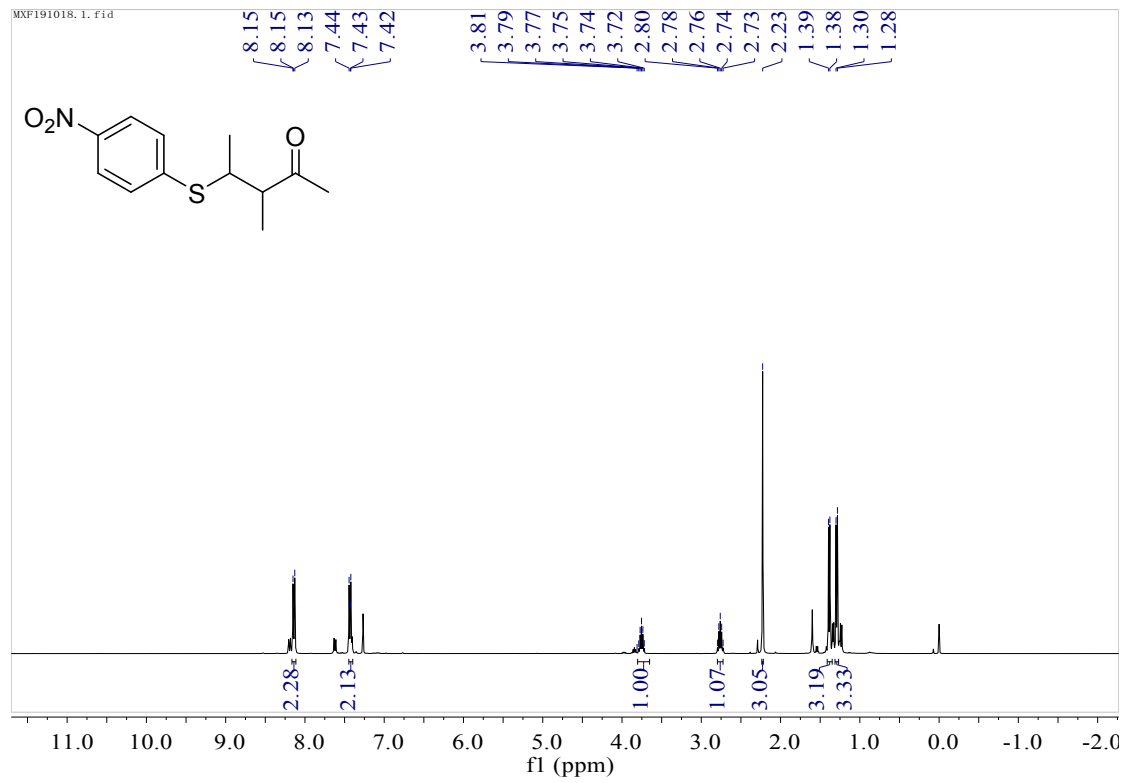
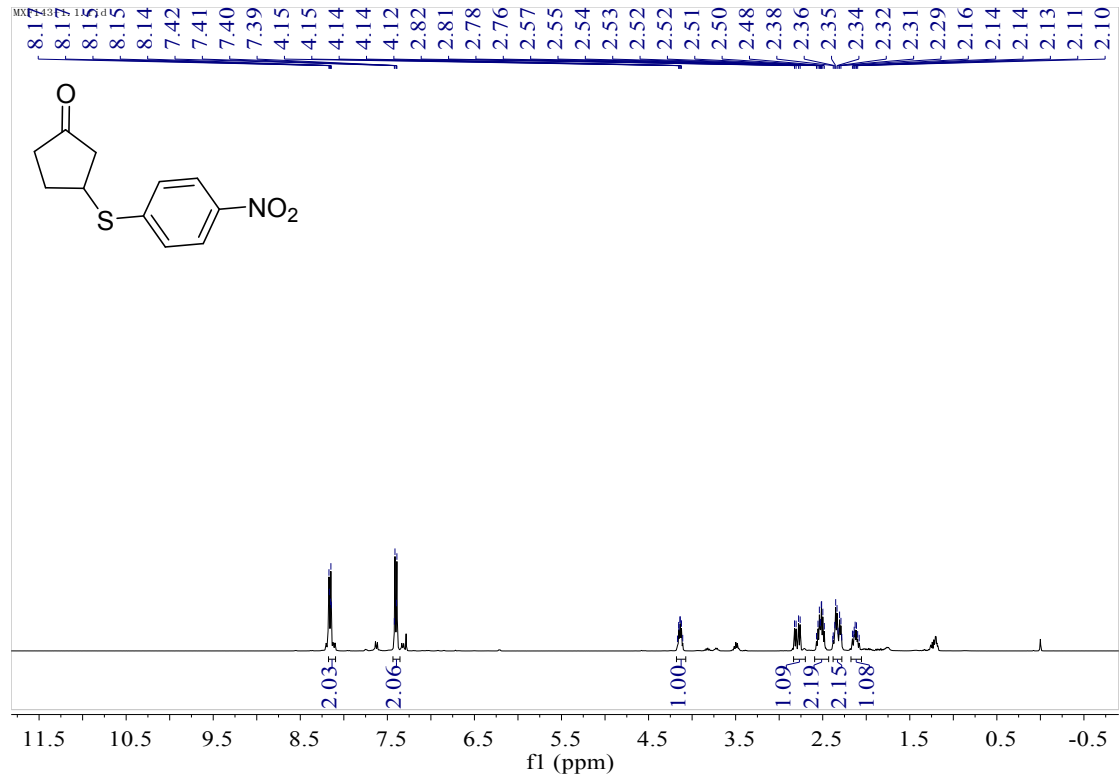
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Zn1-N2	1.985(5)	O1-Zn1-N3	159.2(2)
Zn1-N3	2.248(5)	O1-Zn1-N4	90.6(2)
Zn1-N4	2.376(6)	O2-Zn1-N2	109.66(19)
Zn1-N5	1.955(5)	O2-Zn1-N3	93.7(2)
O1-N1	1.295(6)	O2-Zn1-N5	85.7(2)
O2-N6	1.303(6)	Zn1-O1-N1	132.7(4)
N1-C5	1.347(8)	Zn1-O2-N6	127.0(4)
N1-C29	1.369(8)	Zn1-N1-C1	130.4(5)
N2-C6	1.351(7)	O1-N1-C5	123.5(6)
N2-C9	1.352(7)	Zn1-N2-C6	131.3(5)
N3-C10	1.345(8)	Zn1-N2-C9	118.5(5)
N3-C14	1.335(8)	Zn1-N4-C15	131.6(5)
N4-C15	1.334(8)	Zn1-N4-C19	109.3(5)
N4-C19	1.350(7)	Zn1-N5-C23	130.4(5)
N5-C20	1.355(8)	N1-C29-C2	121.7(8)
N5-C23	1.357(7)	N2-C6-C5	124.6(7)
N6-C24	1.365(8)	N2-C6-C7	108.3(6)
N6-C28	1.357(7)	N2-C9-C10	117.4(7)
C5-C6	1.442(9)	N3-C10-C11	121.1(7)
C9-C10	1.461(9)	N5-C20-C19	118.1(7)
C19-C20	1.431(9)	N5-C23-C24	123.8(7)
C23-C24	1.431(9)	N6-C24-C25	115.8(7)
Complex [Zn(L2) ₂]			
Zn1-O1	2.168(5)	O1-Zn1-O1A	90.3(3)
Zn1-O1A	2.168(5)	O1-Zn1-O2	165.38(18)
Zn1-O2	2.154(5)	O1-Zn1-O2A	91.4(2)
Zn1-O2A	2.154(5)	O1-Zn1-N2	82.9(2)
Zn1-N2	1.959(6)	O1-Zn1-N2A	97.3(2)
Zn1-N2A	1.959(6)	O2-Zn1-N2	82.5(2)
O1-N1	1,328(7)	O2-Zn1-N2A	97.3(2)
O2-N3	1.319(7)	O1A-Zn1-O2	91.4(2)
N1-C1	1.373(10)	O1A-Zn1-N2	97.3(2)
N1-C5	1.367(9)	O2A-Zn1-N2	97.3(2)
N2-C6	1.362(9)	O2A-Zn1-N2A	97.3(2)
N2-C9	1.357(9)	Zn1-O1-N1	117.3(4)
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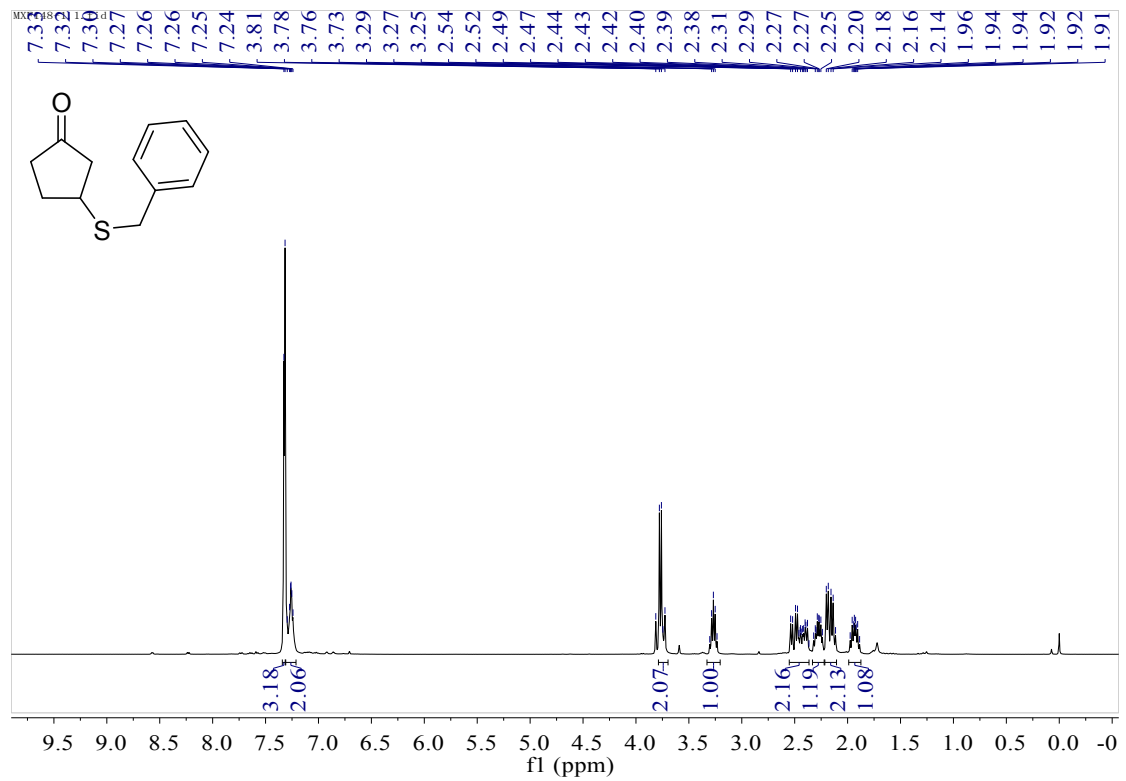
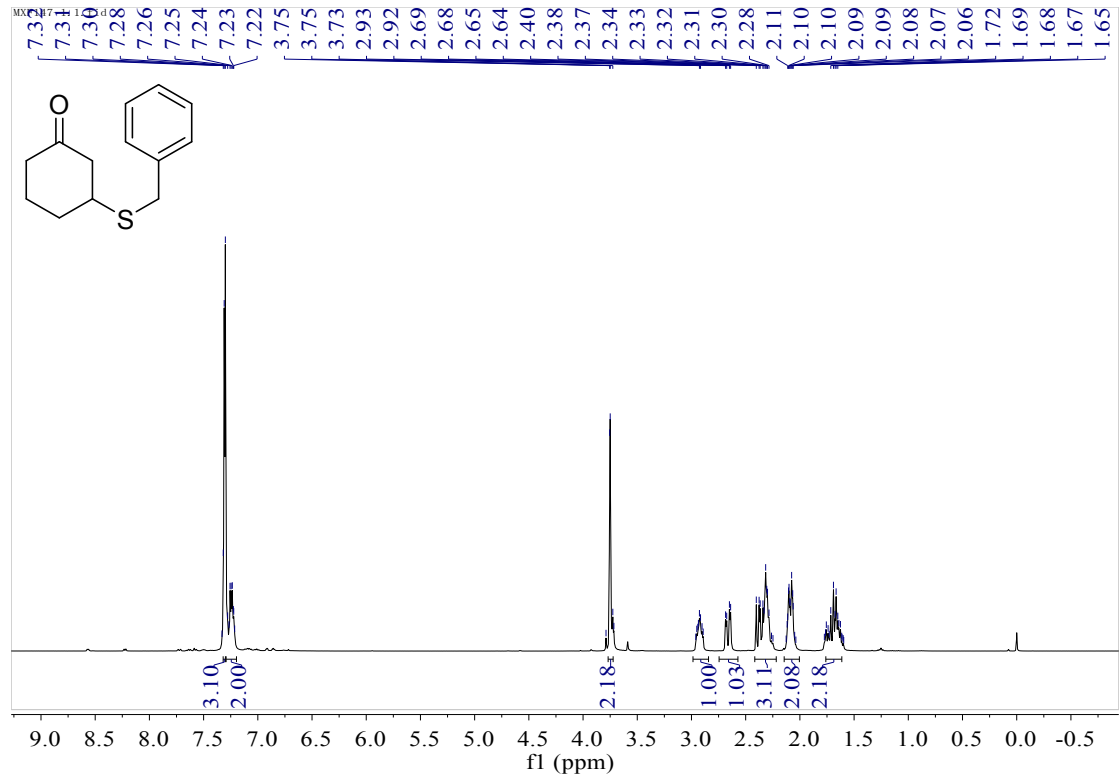
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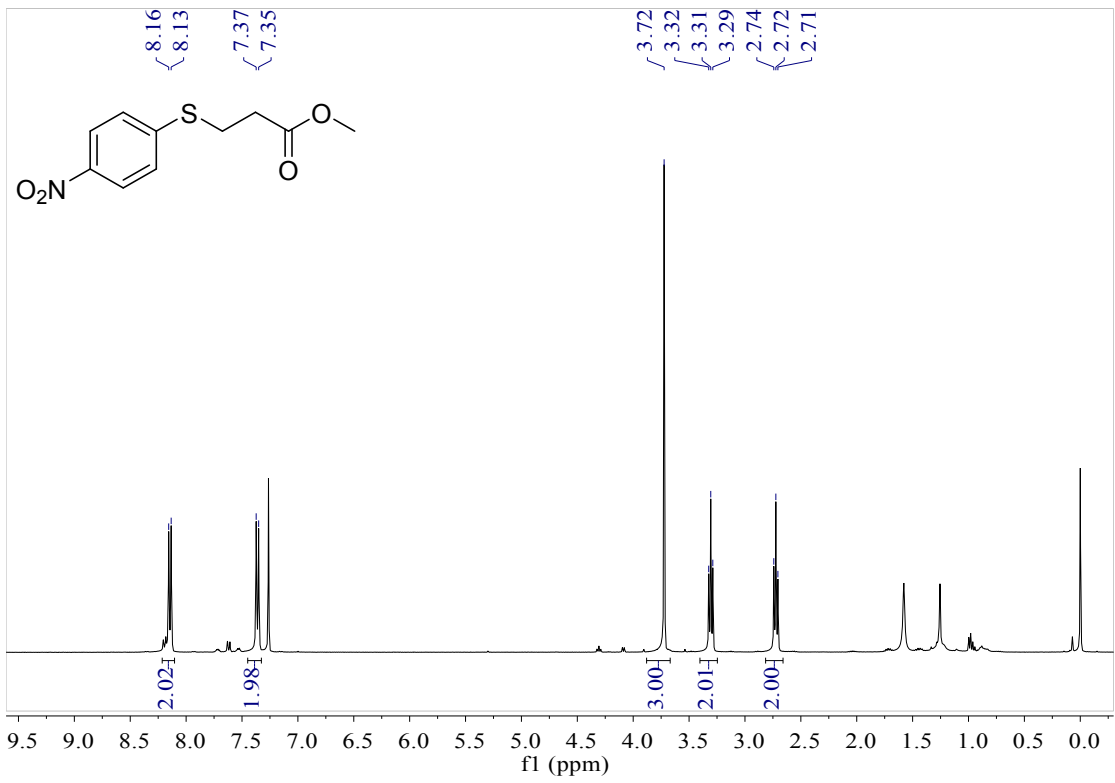
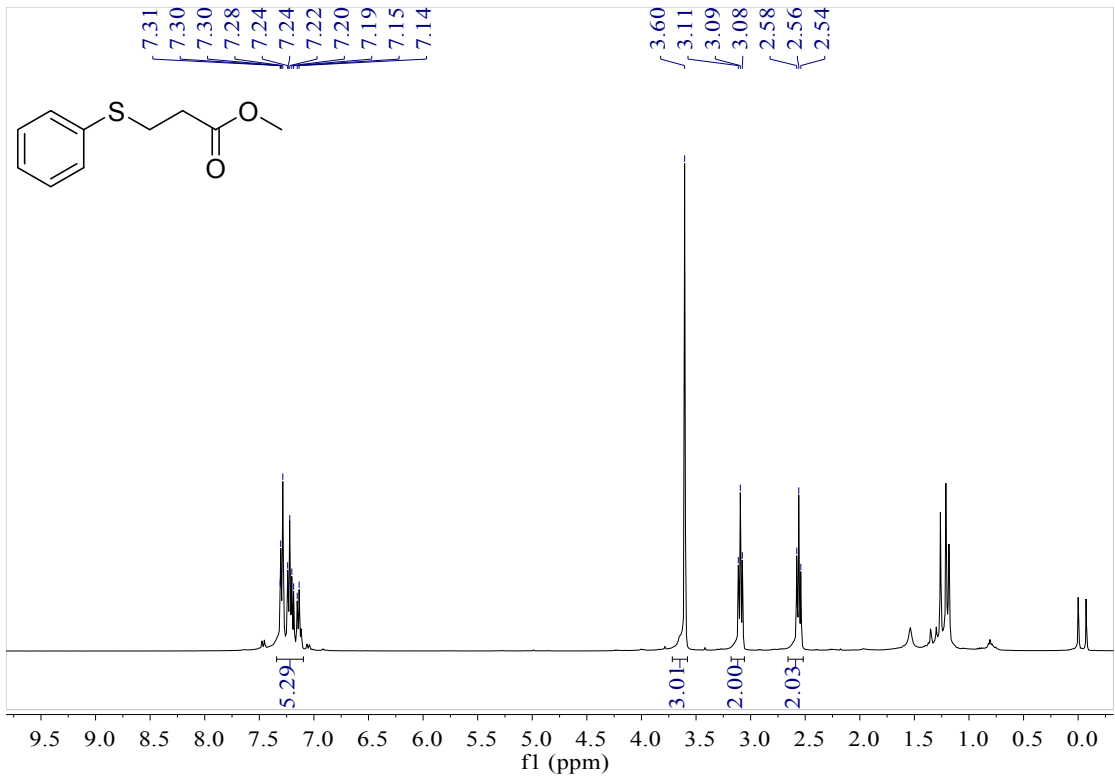
Figure S5. ¹H NMR spectra of isolated addition products.



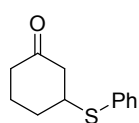




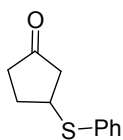




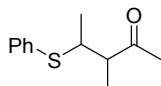
The corresponding NMR data of isolated addition products.



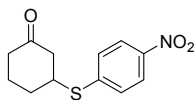
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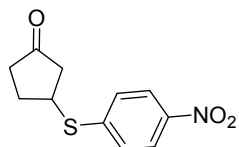
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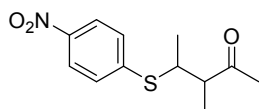
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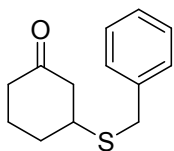
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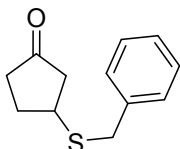
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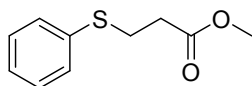
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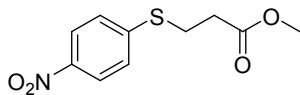
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(m, 1H), 2.69-2.64 (m, 1H), 2.67 (dd, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40-
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3.23 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.37 (m, 2H), 2.32-2.24 (m, 1H), 2.20-2.11 (m,
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Methyl-3-(phenylthio) propanoate ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ
7.31-7.14 (m, 5H), 3.6 (s, 3H), 3.09 (t, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.56 (t, $J =$
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