

## Supporting Information

### **Syntheses, structures, one- and two-photon excited fluorescence of dimesitylboryl-ended quadrupolar hybrid-oligothiophenes**

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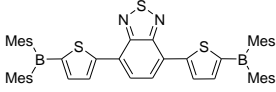
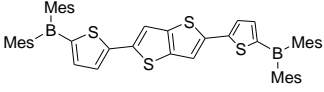
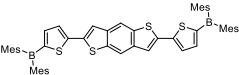
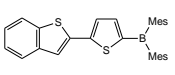
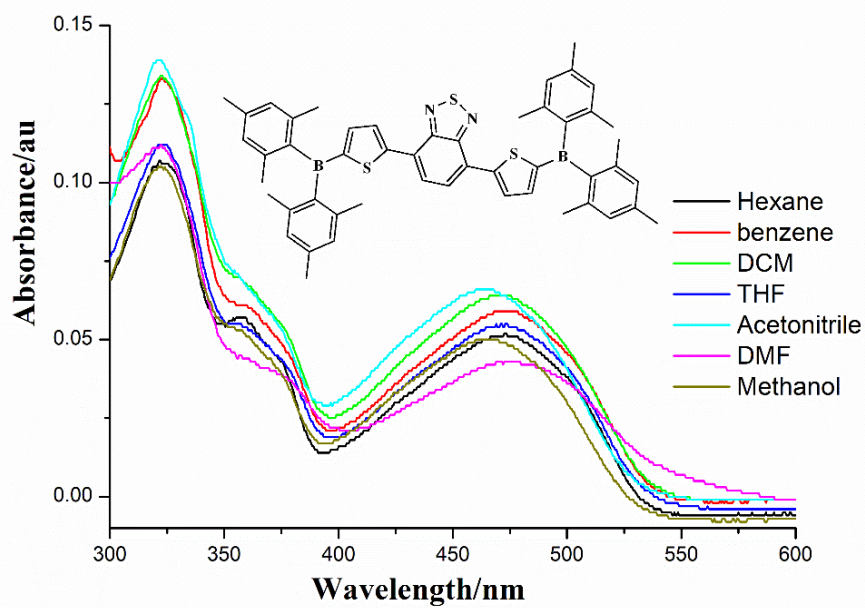
		
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
CCDC Number	2062056	2062057
Empirical formula	C <sub>50</sub> H <sub>48</sub> B <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>50</sub> H <sub>50</sub> B <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>
Formula weight	794.70	892.89
Temperature/K	296(2)	296.15
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	P2 <sub>1</sub> /n
a/Å	8.2837(10)	17.1329(4)
b/Å	16.1677(3)	8.2168(2)
c/Å	16.6633(3)	19.5322(4)
α/°	90	90
β/°	93.001(10)	113.3421(13)
γ/°	90	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	2228.63(6)	2524.65(10)
Z	2	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> /g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.184	1.175
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.202	0.224
F(000)	840.0	948.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.4 × 0.38 × 0.3	0.4 × 0.2 × 0.04
Radiation	Mo Kα (λ = 0.71073)	Mo Kα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	3.512 to 55.016	4.064 to 54.952
Index ranges	-10 ≤ h ≤ 10, -18 ≤ k ≤ 21, -19 ≤ l ≤ 21	-22 ≤ h ≤ 22, -10 ≤ k ≤ 10, -25 ≤ l ≤ 25
Reflections collected	19664	42323
Independent reflections	5112 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0256, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0287]	5782 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0576, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0378]
Data/restraints/parameters	5114/0/277	5782/87/311
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.020	1.027
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0570, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1579	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0482, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1272
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0793, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1707	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0867, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1511
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.28/-0.24	0.21/-0.31

Table S-2. Crystallographic parameters for compounds **3** and **5**

		
	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>
CCDC Number	2062059	2062058
Empirical formula	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>52</sub> B <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>29</sub> BS <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight	850.81	464.46
Temperature/K	297	297(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic
Space group	C2/c	P-1
a/Å	42.4881(14)	7.99790(10)
b/Å	15.1359(5)	11.7834(2)
c/Å	8.0769(2)	13.5026(2)
α/°	90	96.2150(10)
β/°	92.305(3)	93.8950(10)
γ/°	90	100.2200(10)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	5190.0(3)	1240.02(3)
Z	4	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.089	1.244
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.915	0.231
F(000)	1800.0	492.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.13 × 0.11 × 0.08	0.99 × 0.16 × 0.08
Radiation	Cu Kα (λ = 1.54184)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	8.33 to 153.472	3.046 to 54.584
Index ranges	-52 ≤ h ≤ 53, -19 ≤ k ≤ 19, -6 ≤ l ≤ 10	-10 ≤ h ≤ 10, -15 ≤ k ≤ 14, -17 ≤ l ≤ 16
Reflections collected	16352	19365
Independent reflections	5105 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0488, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0500]	5465 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0193, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0179]
Data/restraints/parameters	5105/291/320	5465/0/324
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.1175	1.019
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0839, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1935	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0347, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0949
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0947, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1977	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0375, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0977
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.24/-0.26	0.34/-0.27

(a)



(b)

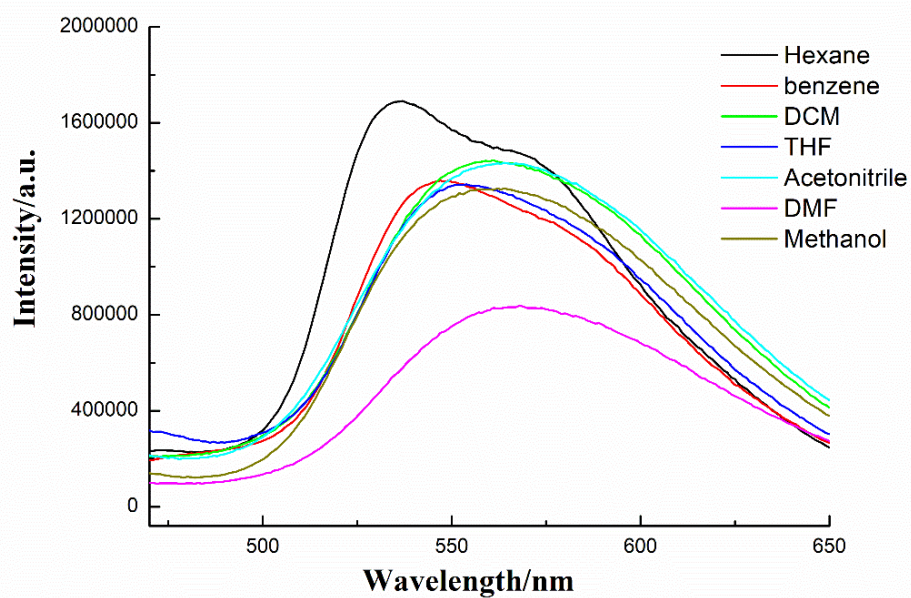
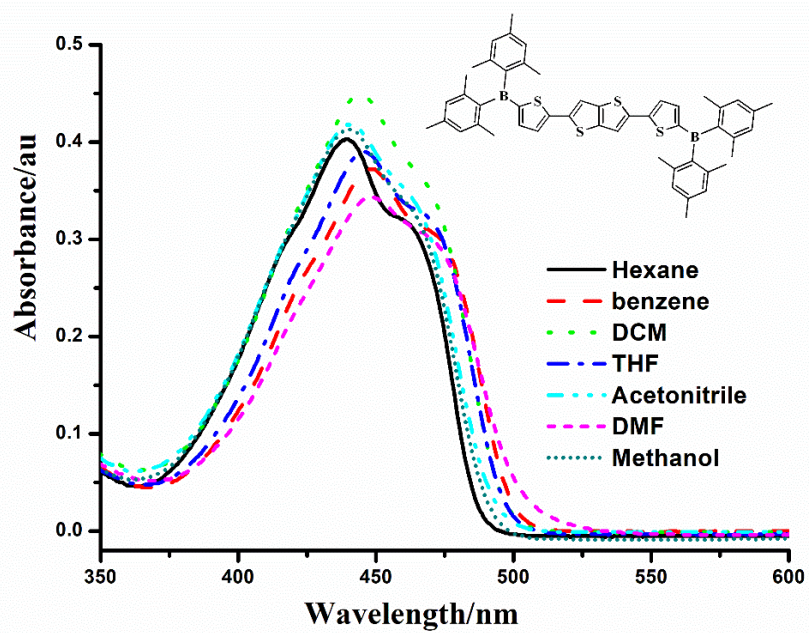


Figure S-1. Absorption (a) and emission (b) spectra of compound 1.  
( $C = 2.5 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 460 \text{ nm}$ )

(a)



(b)

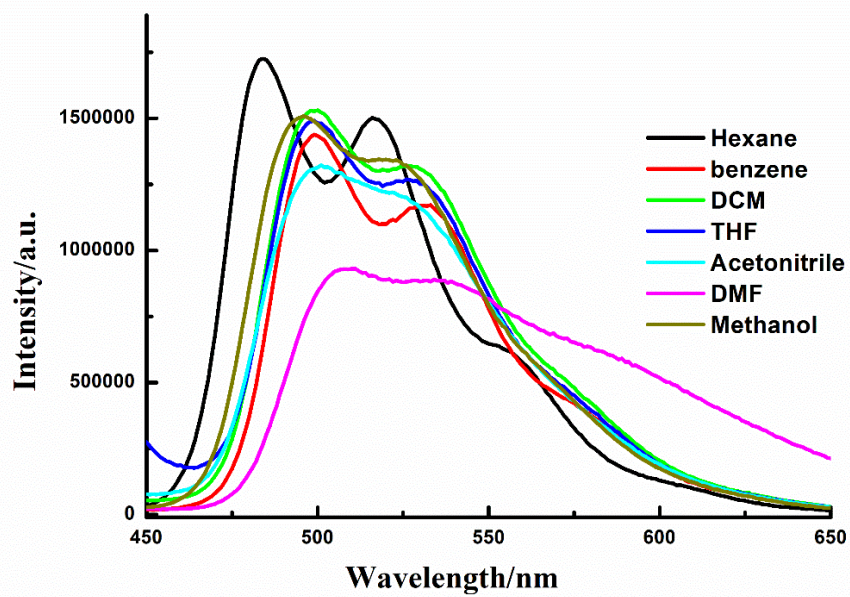
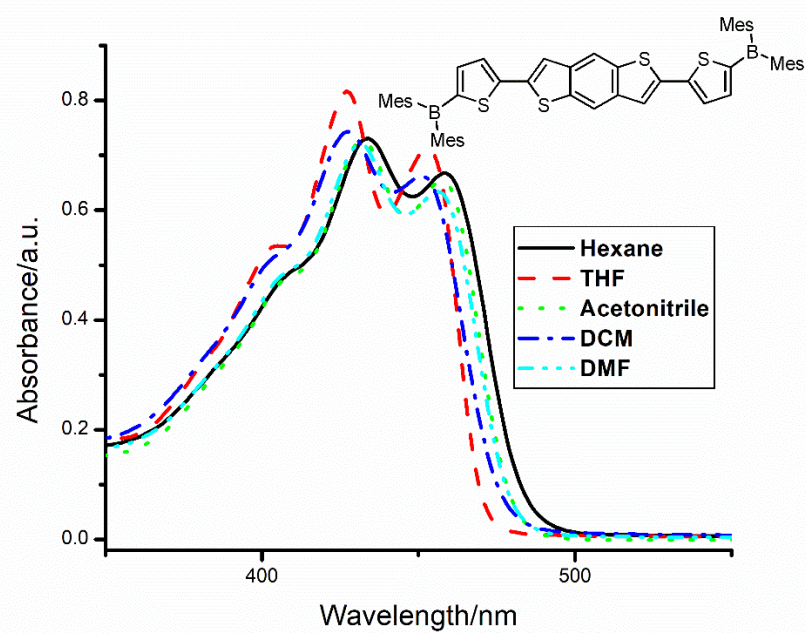


Figure S-2. Absorption (a) and emission (b) spectra of compound 2.  
( $C = 4.7 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 440 \text{ nm}$ )

(a)



(b)

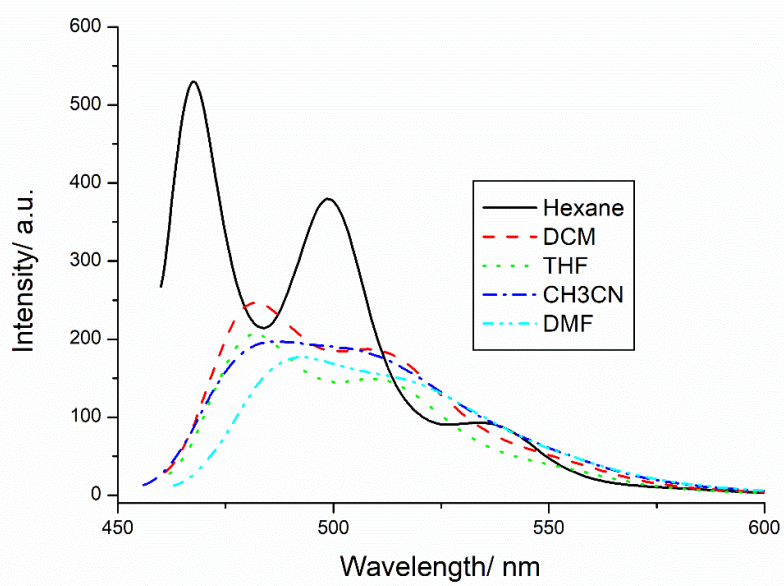
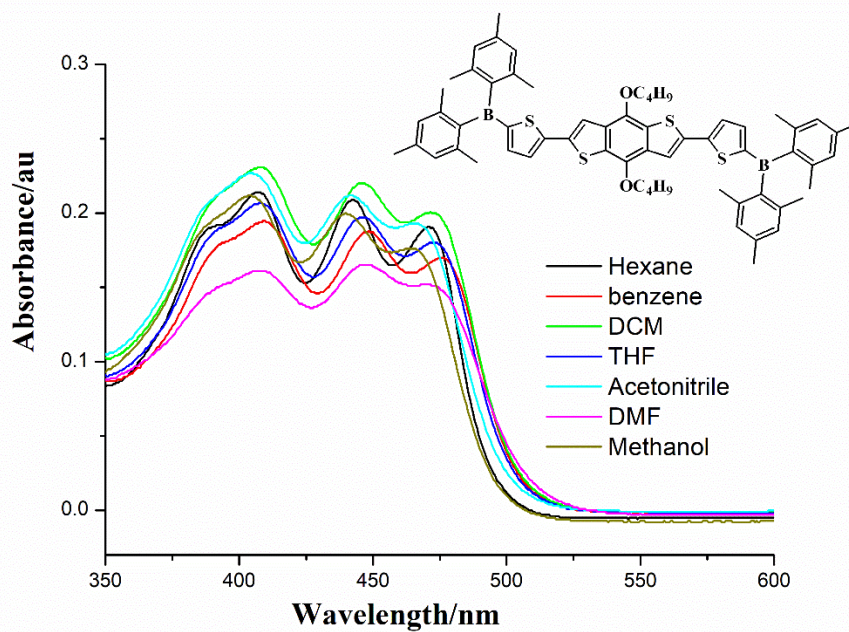


Figure S-3. Absorption (a) and emission (b) spectra of compound **3**.  
( $C = 10.0 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 440 \text{ nm}$ )

(a)



(b)

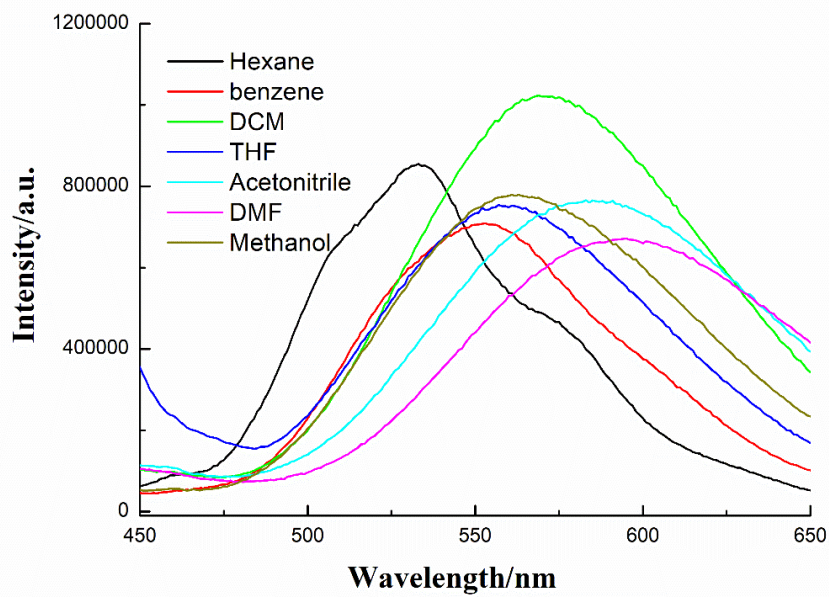
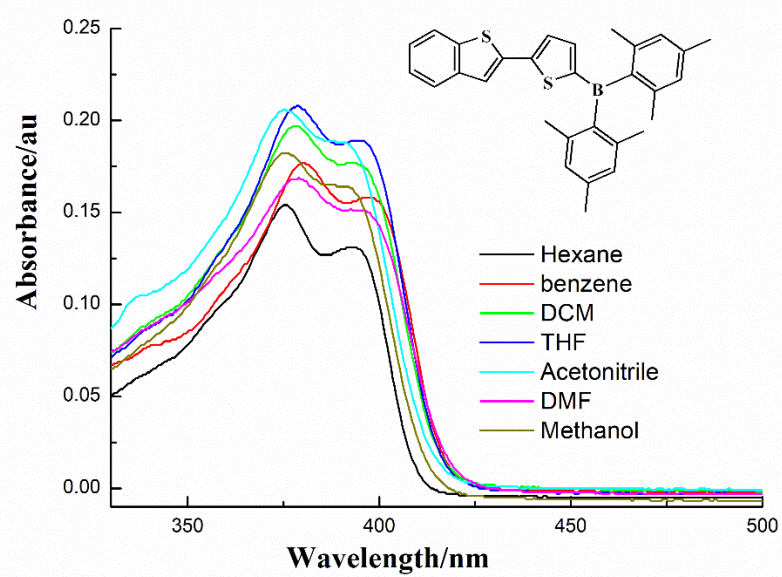


Figure S-4. Absorption (a) and emission (b) spectra of compound 4.  
( $C = 3.0 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 440 \text{ nm}$ )

(a)



(b)

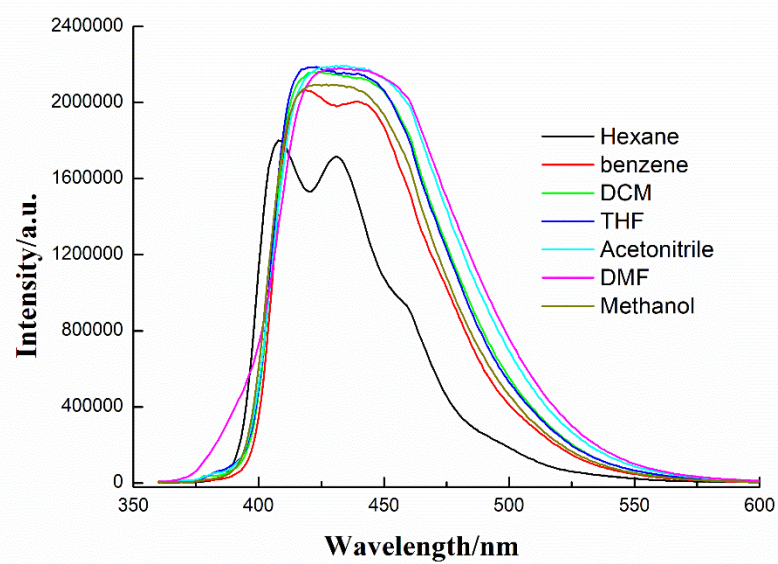


Figure S-5. Absorption (a) and emission (b) spectra of compound 5.  
( $C = 7.0 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 330 \text{ nm}$ )



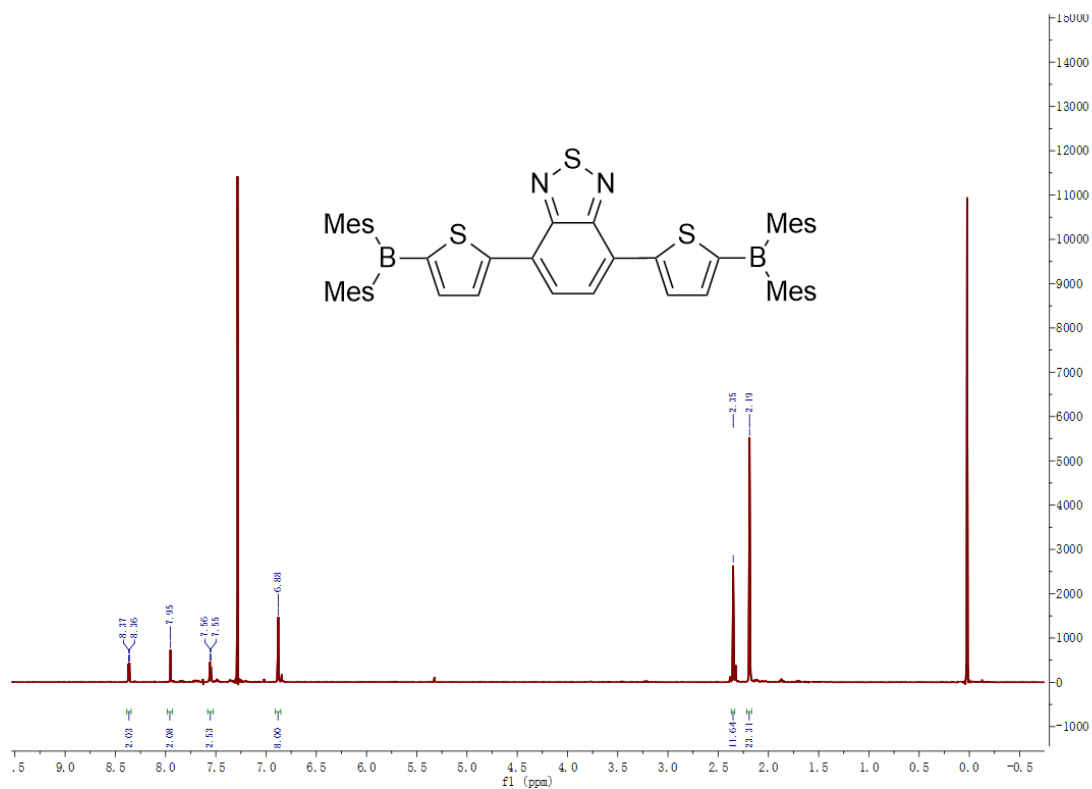


Figure S-6. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **1** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

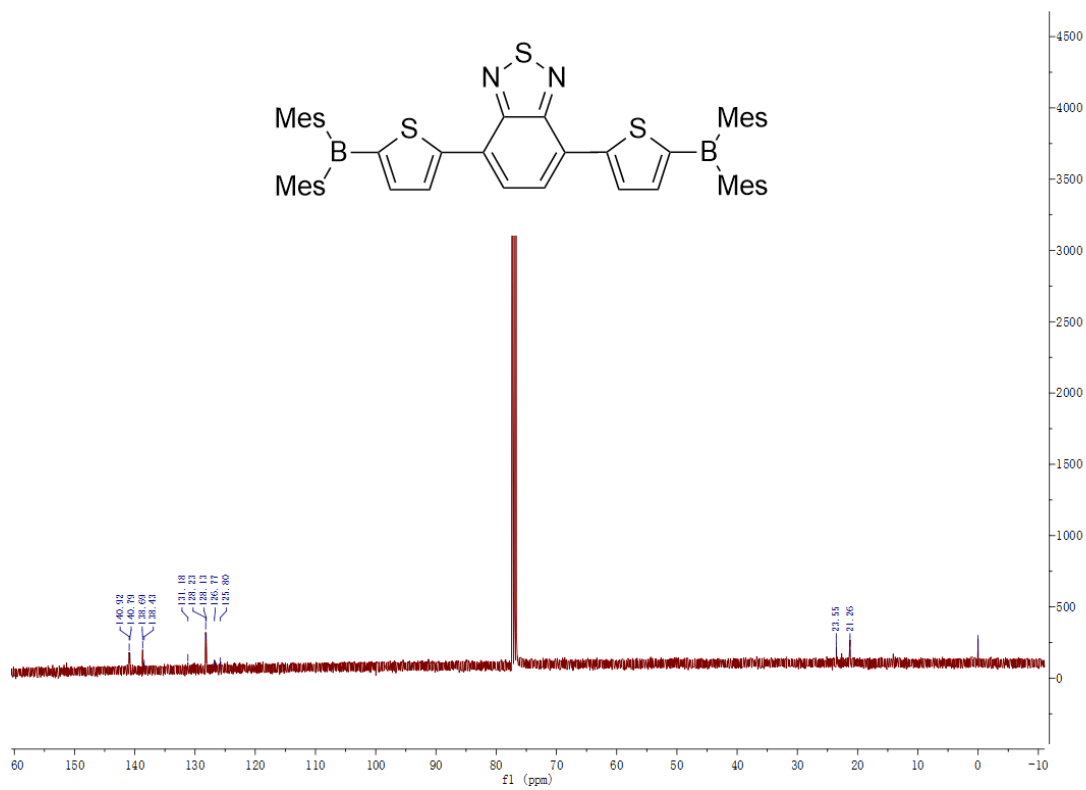


Figure S-7. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **1** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

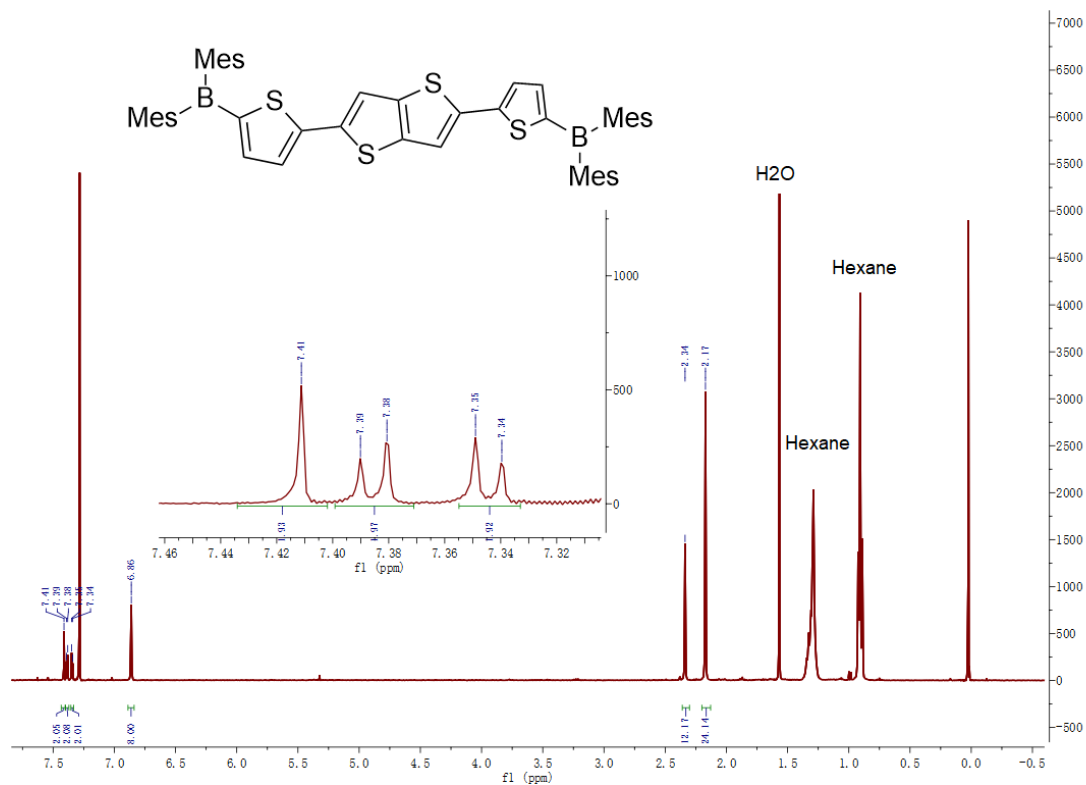


Figure S-8.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **2** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ).

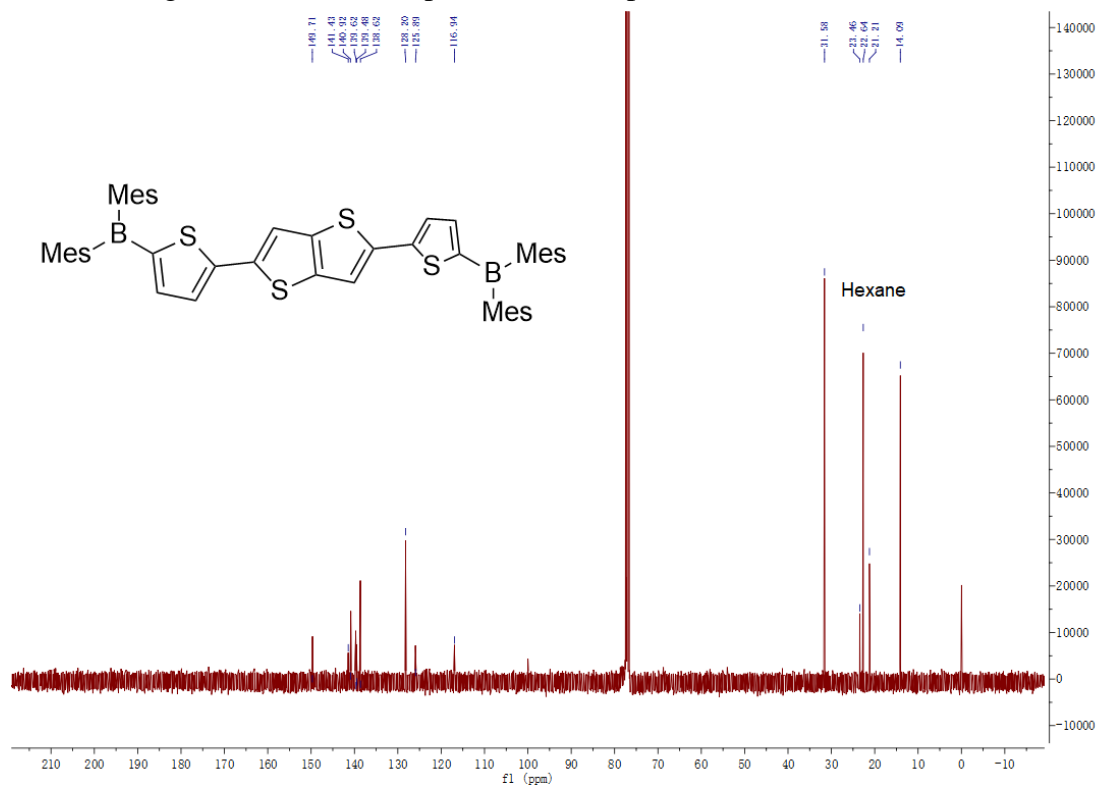


Figure S-9.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **2** (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ).

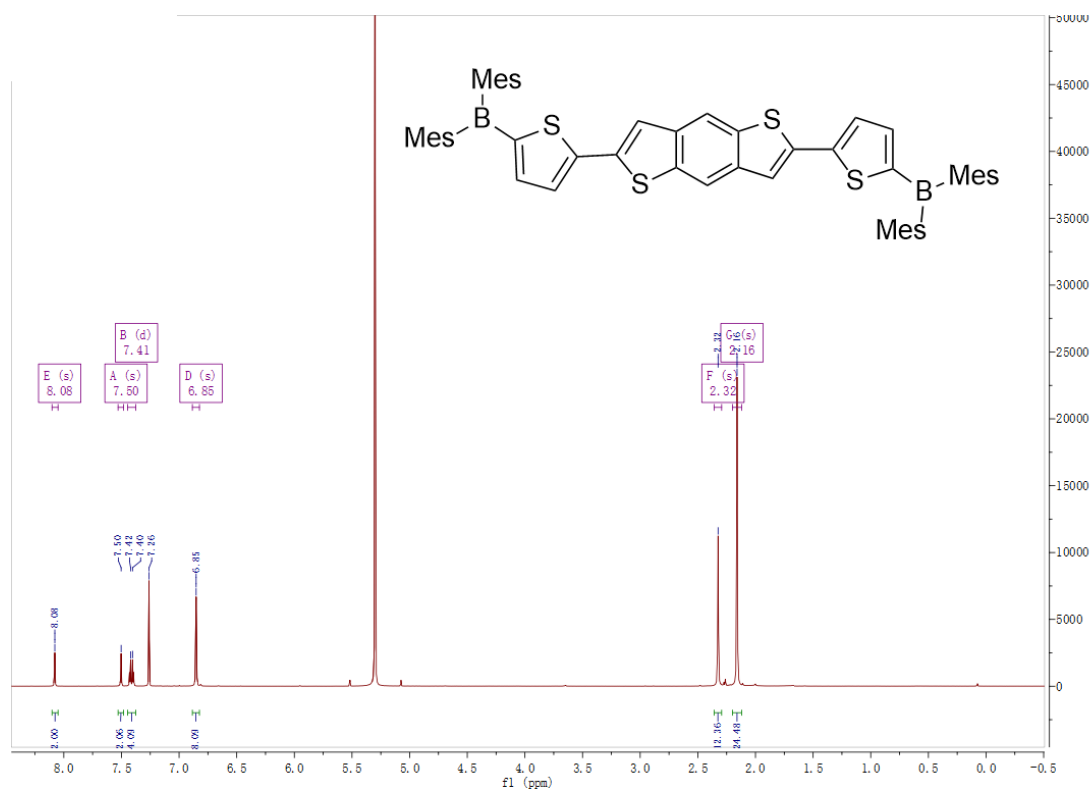


Figure S-10.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **3** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ).

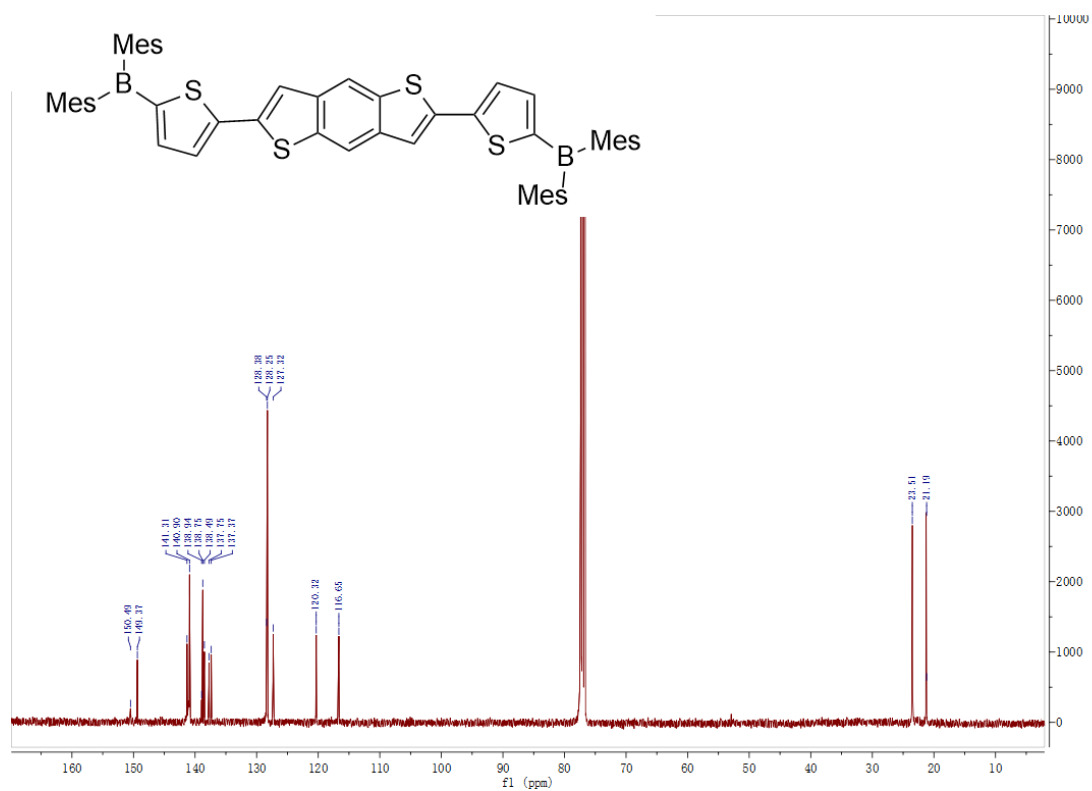


Figure S-11.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **3** (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ).

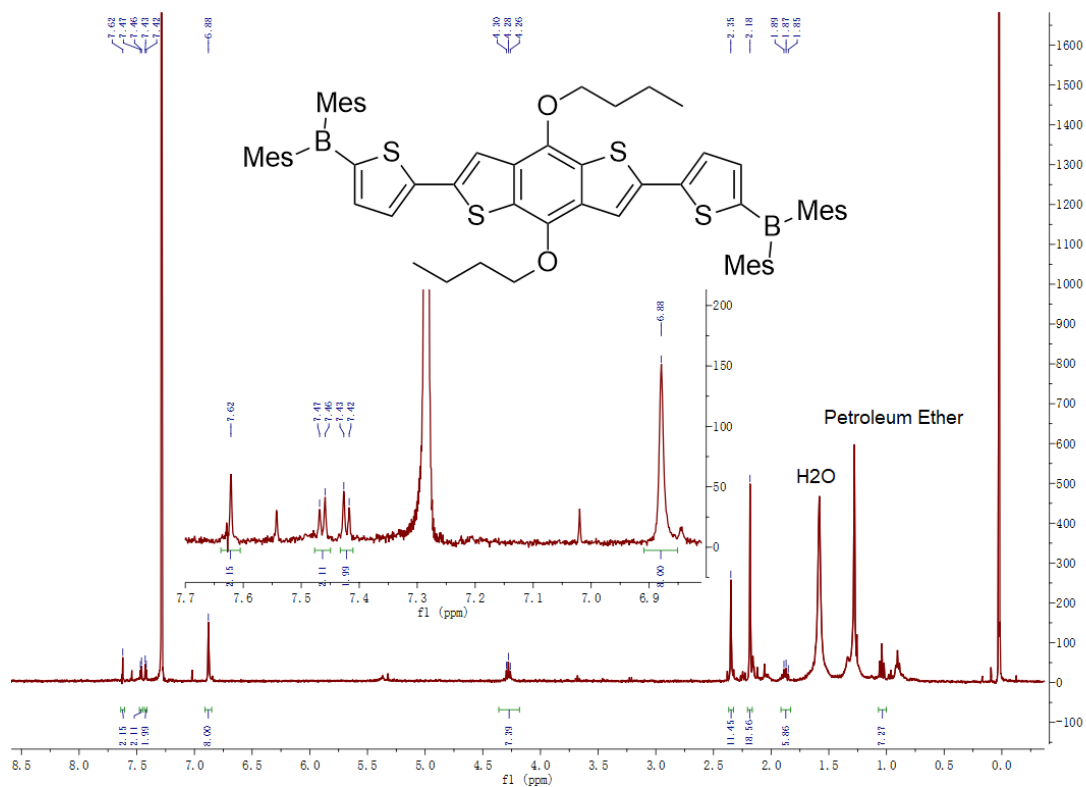


Figure S-12. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 4 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

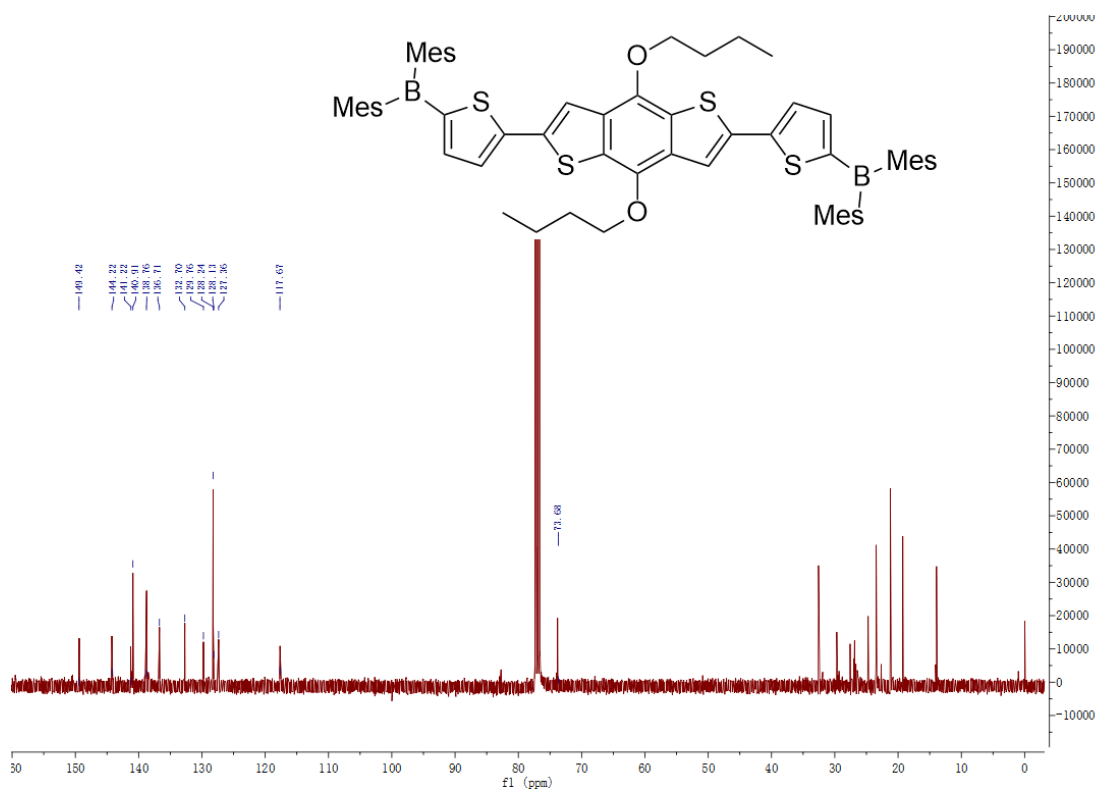


Figure S-13. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 4 (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

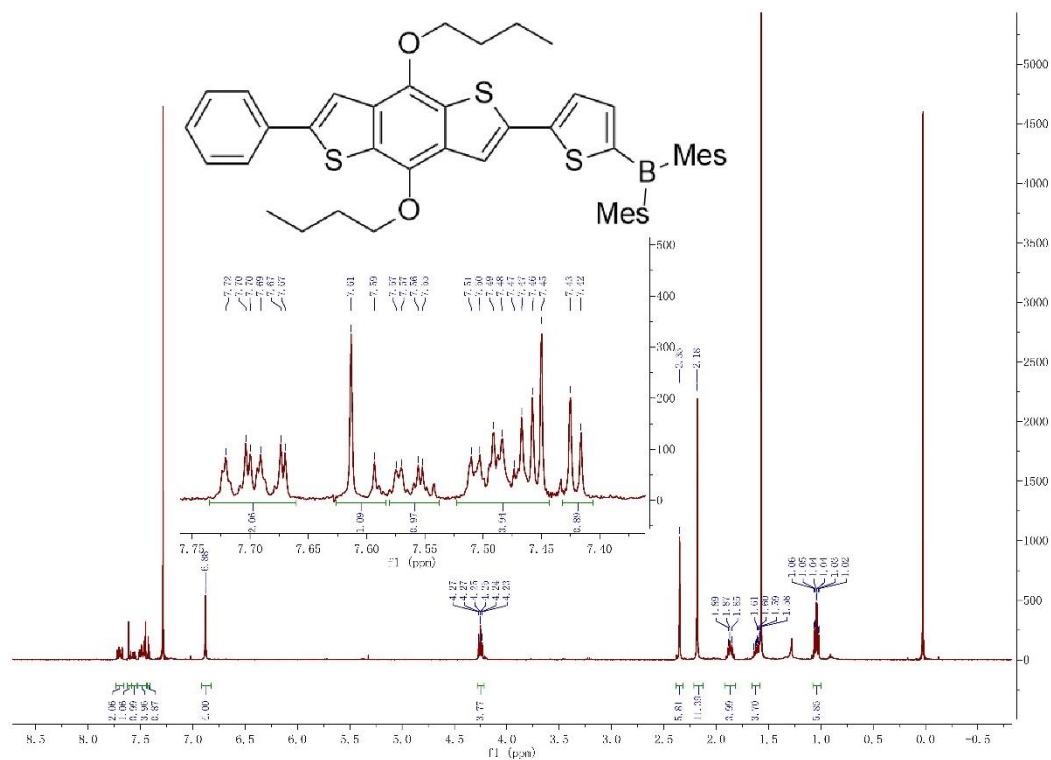


Figure S-14. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 4' (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

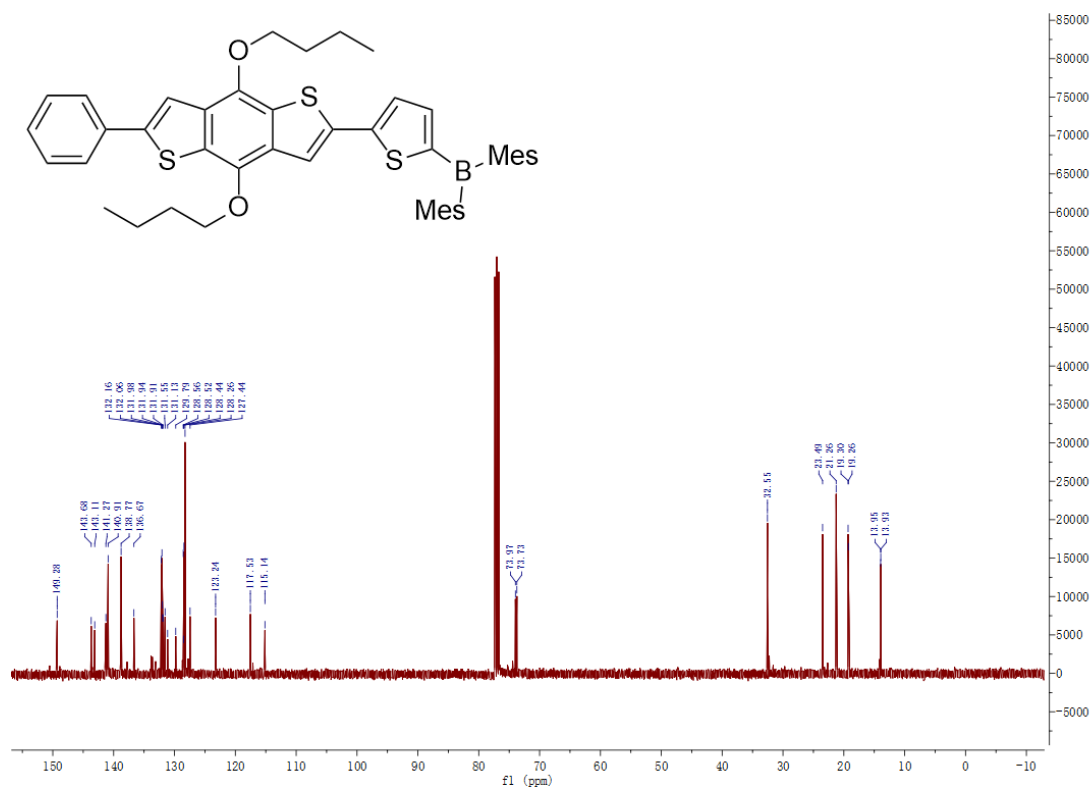


Figure S-15. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 4' (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



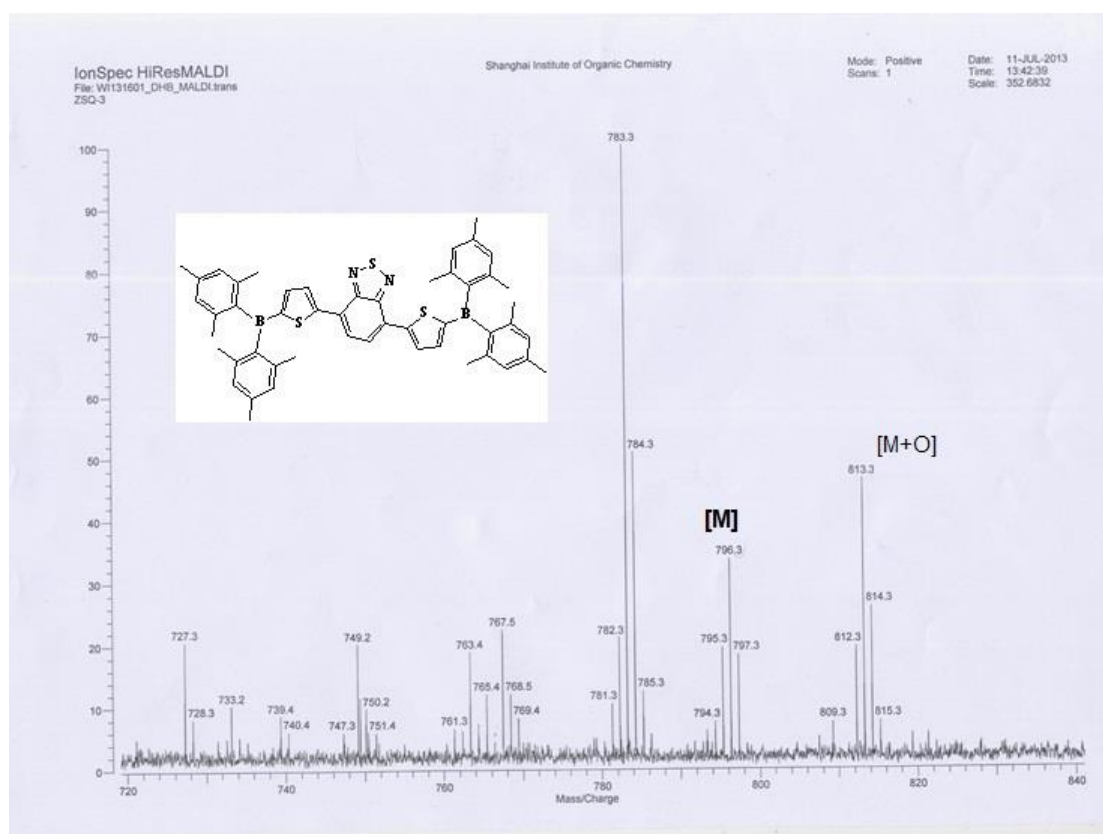


Figure S-18. MS spectra of compound 1.

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Sample Serial Number: ZSQ-3

Operator : HuaQin Date: 2013/07/11

Operation Mode: MALDI/DHB

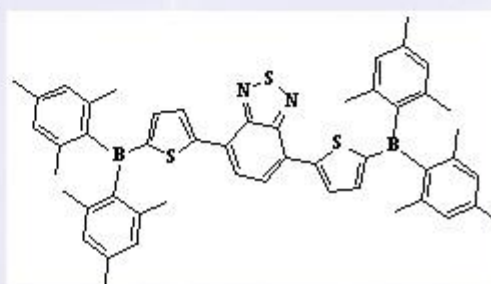
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**Target Mass:**

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 Charge = +1

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H	1.007825	0	100
10B	10.012937	0	2
N	14.003074	0	5
S	31.972071	0	5



**Additional Search Restrictions:**

DBE Limit Mode = Both Integer and Half-Integer  
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Number of Hits = 9

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794.34040	0.00040	40.0	C <sub>58</sub> H <sub>42</sub> N <sub>4</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.34131	-0.00051	20.5	C <sub>46</sub> H <sub>50</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>4</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.34140	-0.00060	41.5	C <sub>60</sub> H <sub>40</sub> <sup>10</sup> B <sub>2</sub> N <sup>+1</sup>
794.34224	-0.00144	18.0	C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>60</sub> <sup>10</sup> BS <sub>5</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.34231	-0.00151	22.0	C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>54</sub> <sup>10</sup> B <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.33894	0.00186	27.0	C <sub>50</sub> H <sub>50</sub> <sup>10</sup> B <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.33887	0.00193	23.0	C <sub>50</sub> H <sub>50</sub> <sup>10</sup> BS <sub>4</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.33793	0.00287	25.5	C <sub>48</sub> H <sub>52</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>3</sub> <sup>+1</sup>
794.34377	-0.00297	35.0	C <sub>55</sub> H <sub>46</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sup>+1</sup>

Figure S-19. HR-MS data report of compound 1.



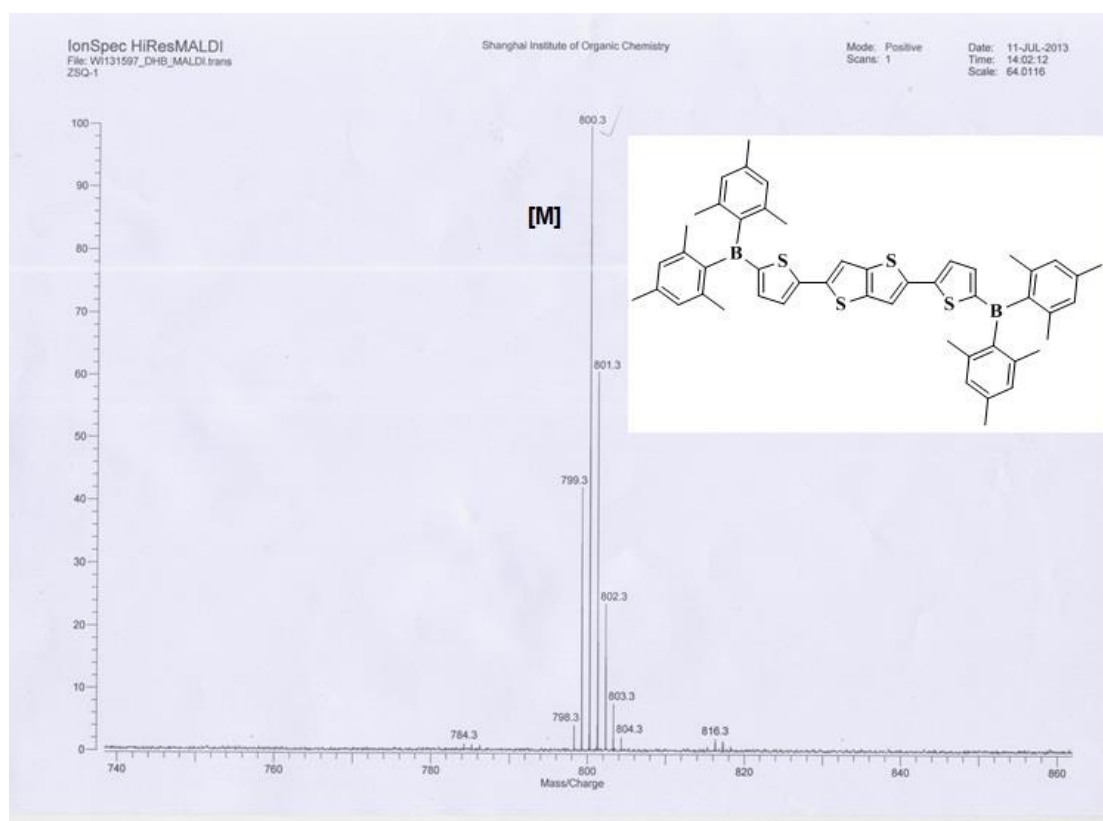


Figure S-20. MS spectra of compound **2**.

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Sample Serial Number: ZSQ-1

Operator : HuaQin Date: 2013/07/11

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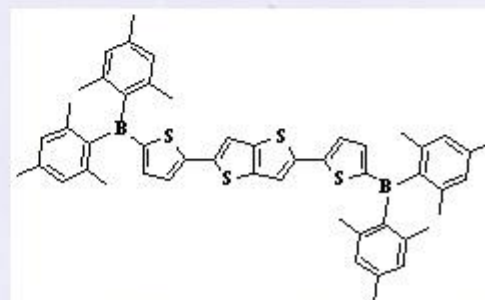
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H	1.007825	0	100
<sup>10</sup> B	10.012937	0	5
S	31.972071	0	5



**Additional Search Restrictions:**

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Minimum DBE = 0

**Search Results:**

Number of Hits = 2

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798.30823	-0.00223	21.0	C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>54</sub> <sup>10</sup> B <sub>2</sub> S <sub>5</sub> <sup>+</sup>

Figure S-21. HR-MS data report of compound 2.

Instrument: Thermo Fisher Scientific LTQ FTICR-MS

Card Serial Number : D2021629

Sample Serial Number: SD

Operator : DONG Date: 2021/03/18

Operation Mode: DART POSITIVE

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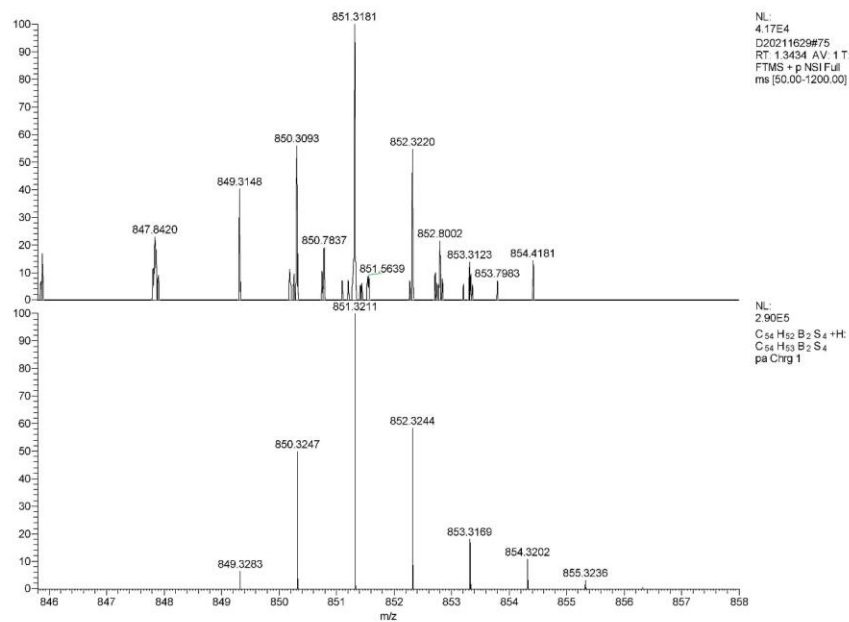
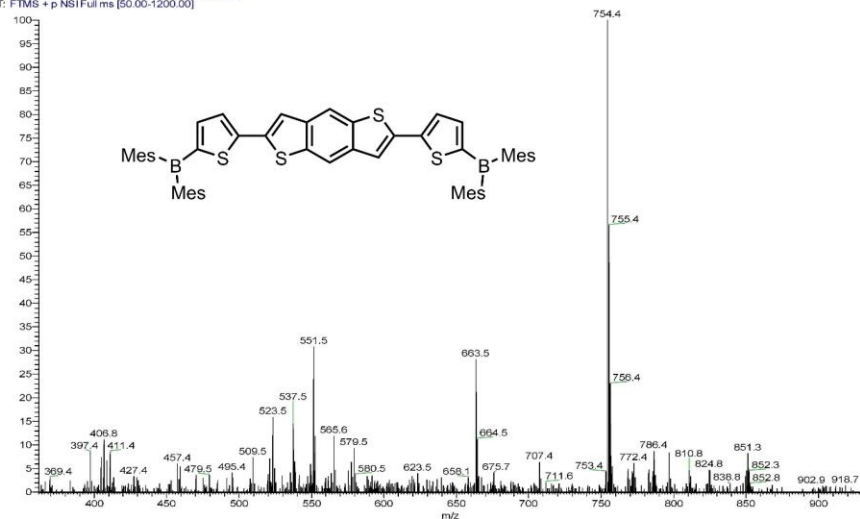


Figure S-22. HR-MS spectra of compound 3.

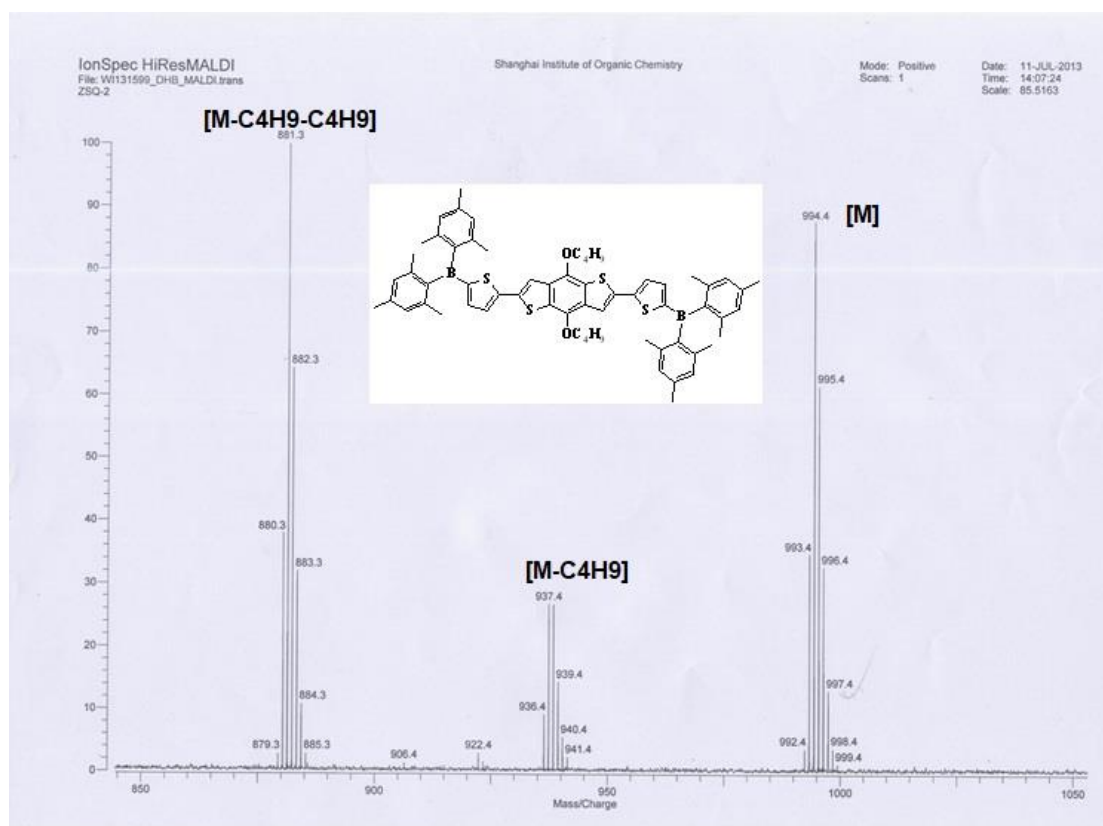


Figure S-23. MS spectra of compound 4.



Instrument: IonSpec 4.7 Tesla FTMS

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Sample Serial Number: ZSQ-2

Operator : HuaQin Date: 2013/07/11

Operation Mode: MALDI/DHB

**Elemental Composition Search Report:**

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H	1.007825	0	100
10B	10.012937	0	2
O	15.994915	0	5
S	31.972071	0	5

**Additional Search Restrictions:**

DBE Limit Mode = Both Integer and Half-Integer  
 Minimum DBE = 0

**Search Results:**

Number of Hits = 6

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992.43554	0.00046	29.0	$C_{62}H_{68}^{10}B_2O_2S_4^{+1}$
992.43660	-0.00060	40.0	$C_{70}H_{62}^{10}BOS_2^{+1}$
992.43765	-0.00165	51.0	$C_{78}H_{66}^{+1}$
992.43322	0.00278	45.0	$C_{73}H_{58}^{10}BOS^{+1}$
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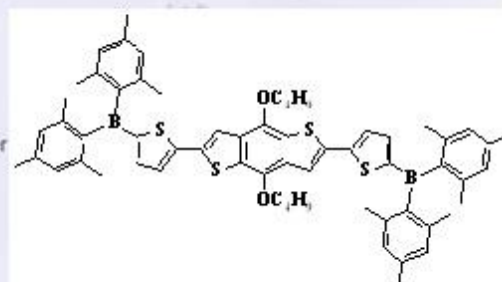
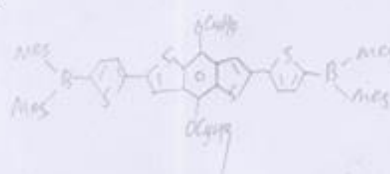
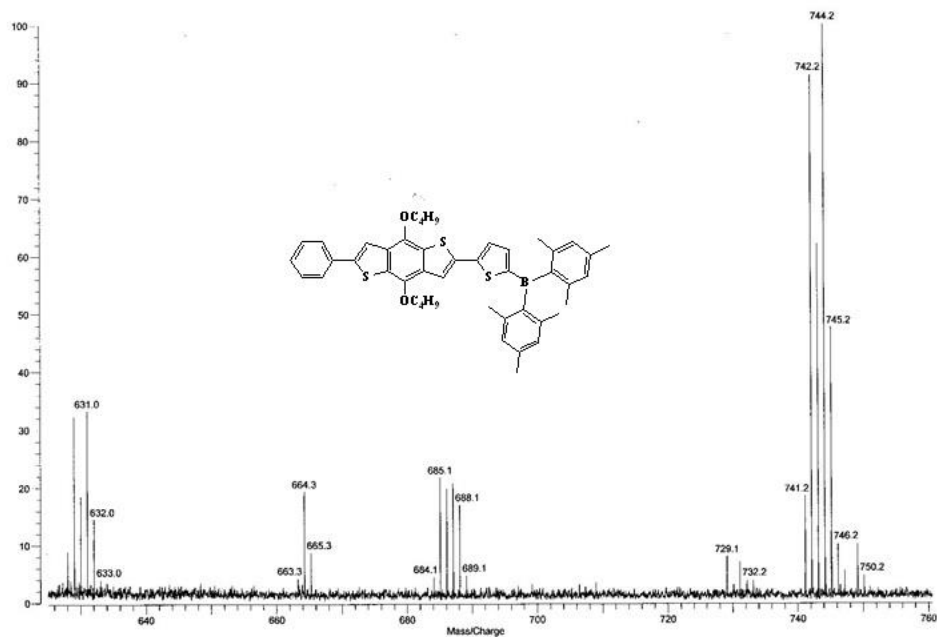


Figure S-24. HR-MS data report of compound 4.



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Plus Adducts: H  
Minus Fragment Losses:

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Calculated Isotope Distribution  
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IonSpec Corporation  
Exact Mass Calculator

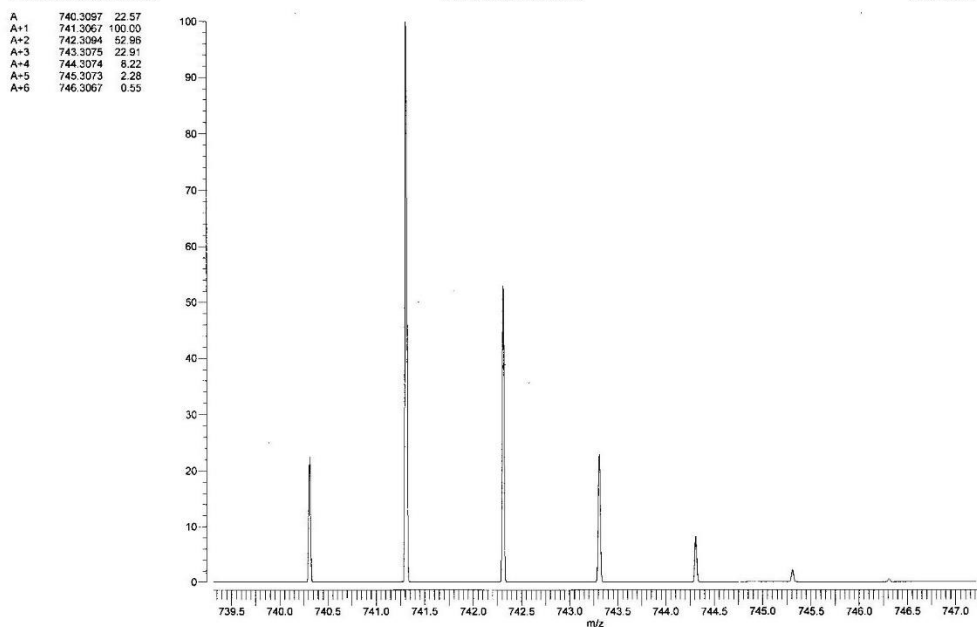


Figure S-25. MS spectra of compound 4'.

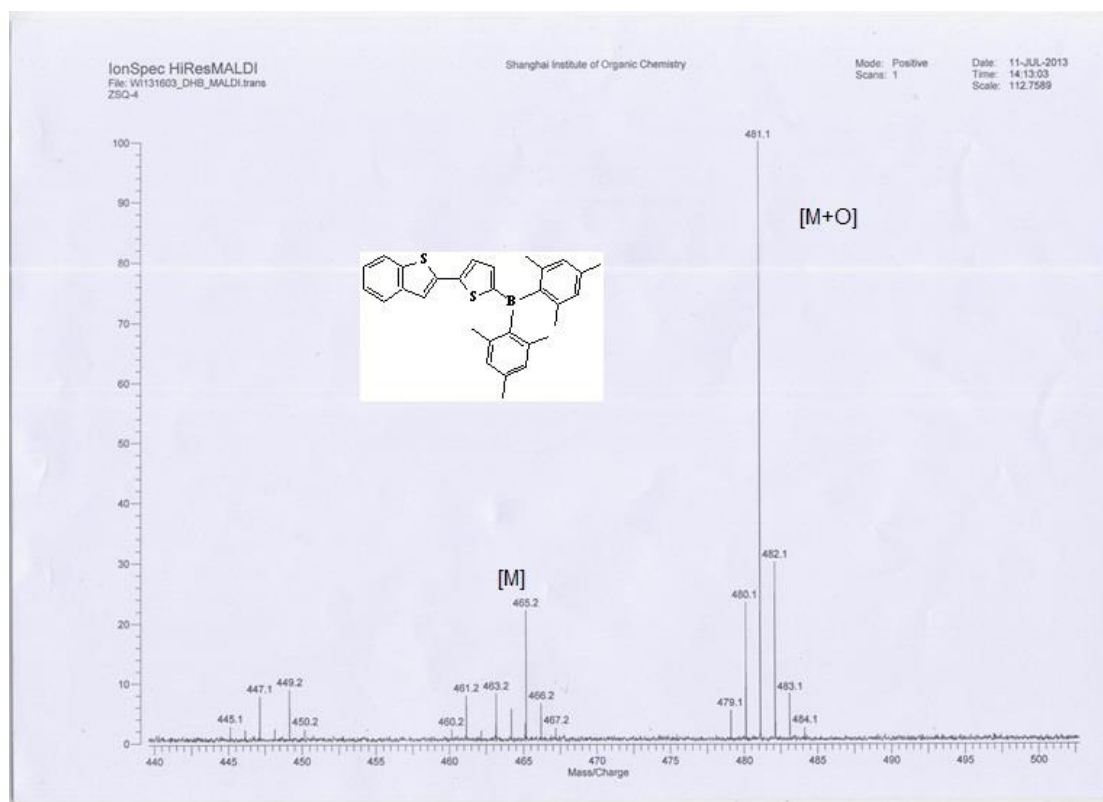


Figure S-26. MS spectra of compound 5.



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Sample Serial Number: ZSQ-4

Operator : HuaQin Date: 2013/07/11

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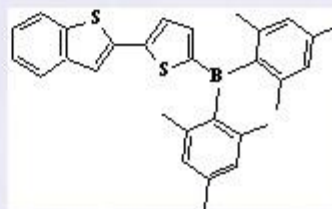
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H	1.007825	0	100
10B	10.012937	0	2
S	31.972071	0	5



**Additional Search Restrictions:**

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Minimum DBE = 0

**Search Results:**

Number of Hits = 1

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Figure S-27. HR-MS data report of compound 5