

# Supporting information

## Study on the influence conditions of luminescence properties of ionic

### $[\text{Cu}(\text{N}^{\wedge}\text{N})(\text{P}^{\wedge}\text{P})]^+$ complexes: ligands, counteranions and weak interactions

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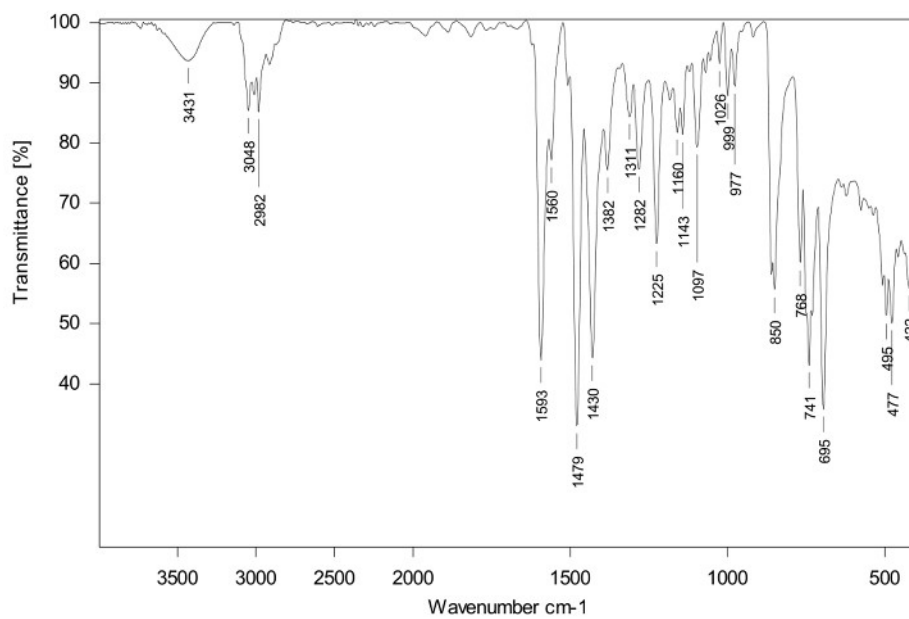
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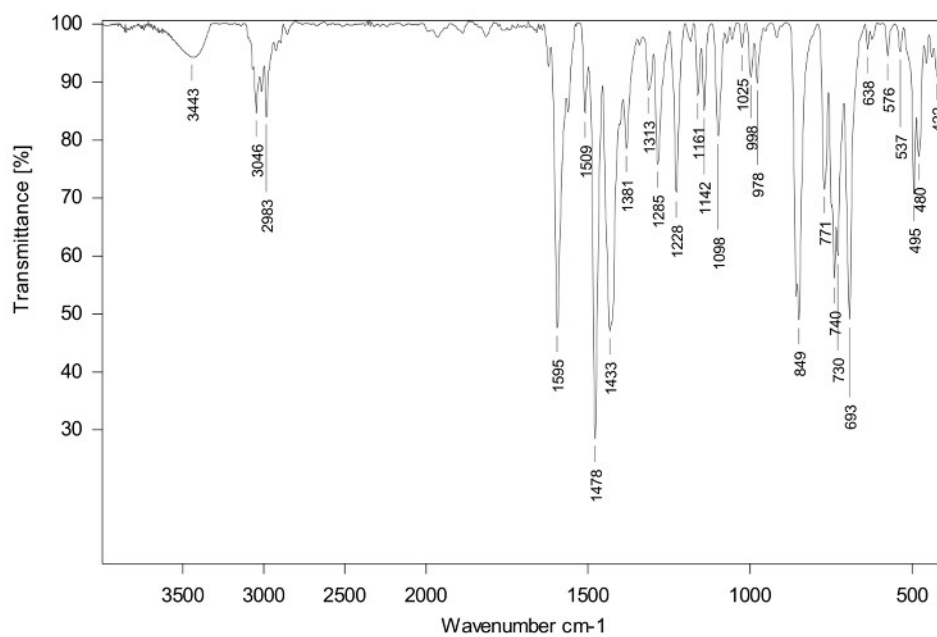
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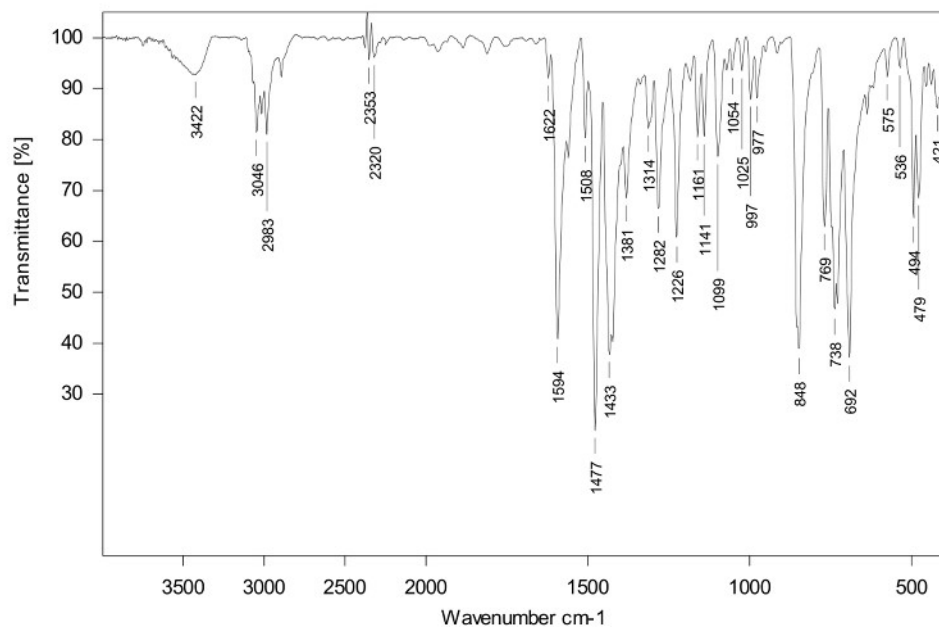
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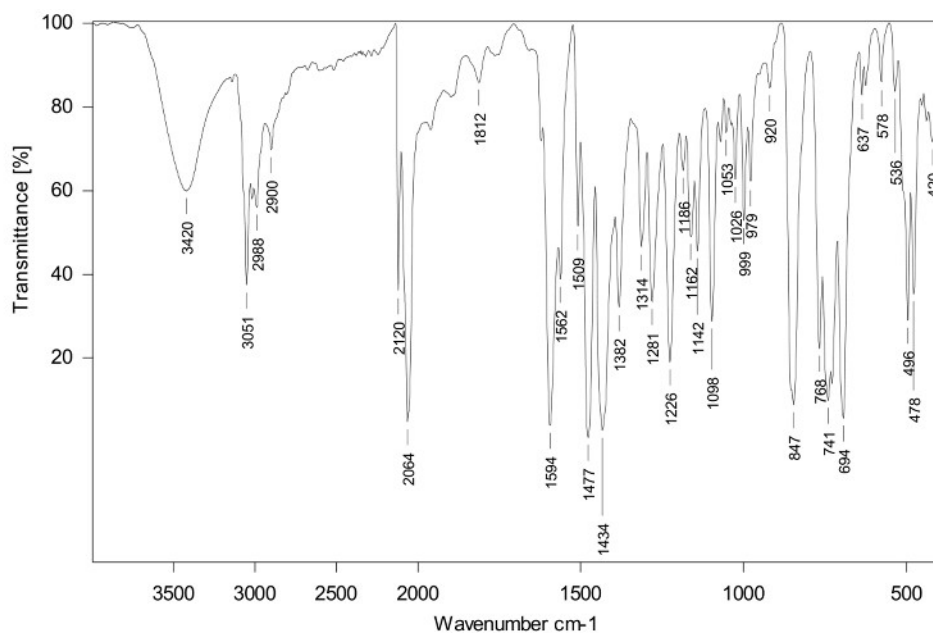
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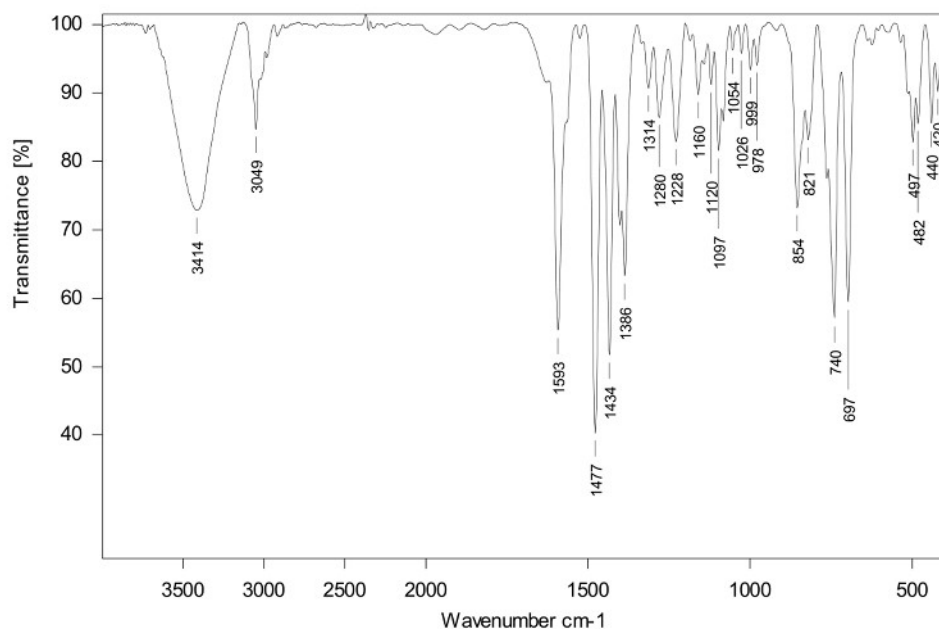
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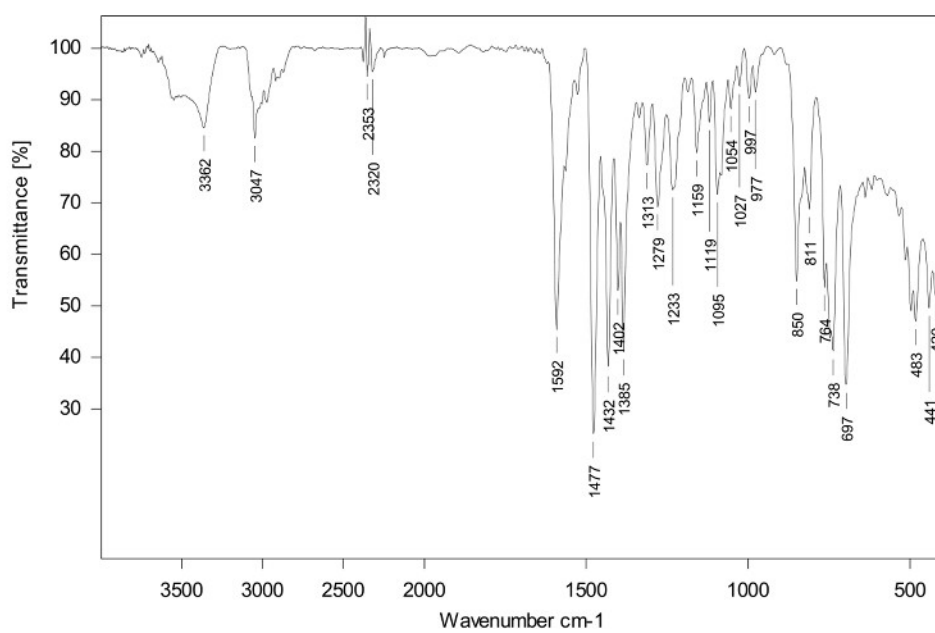
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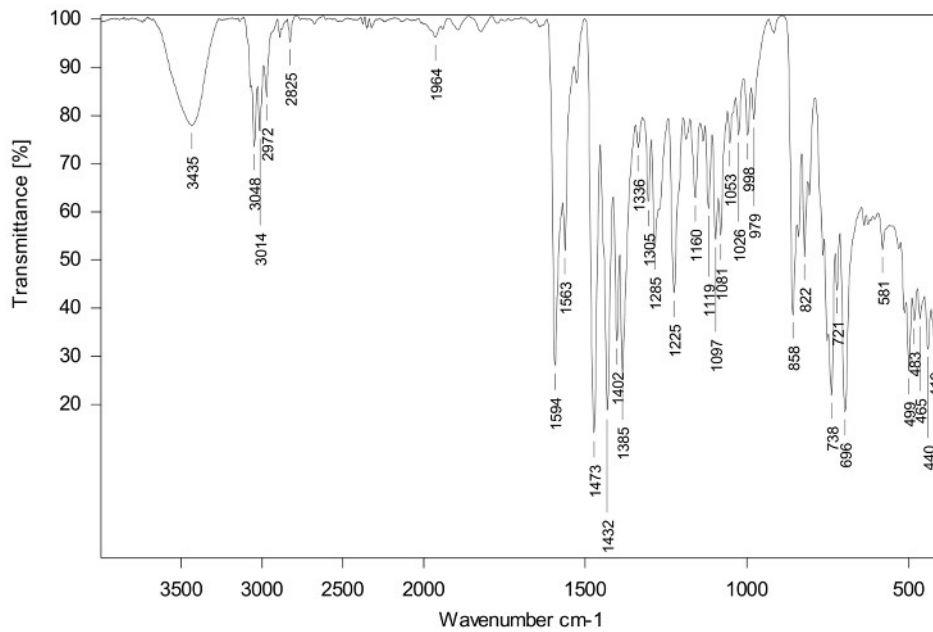
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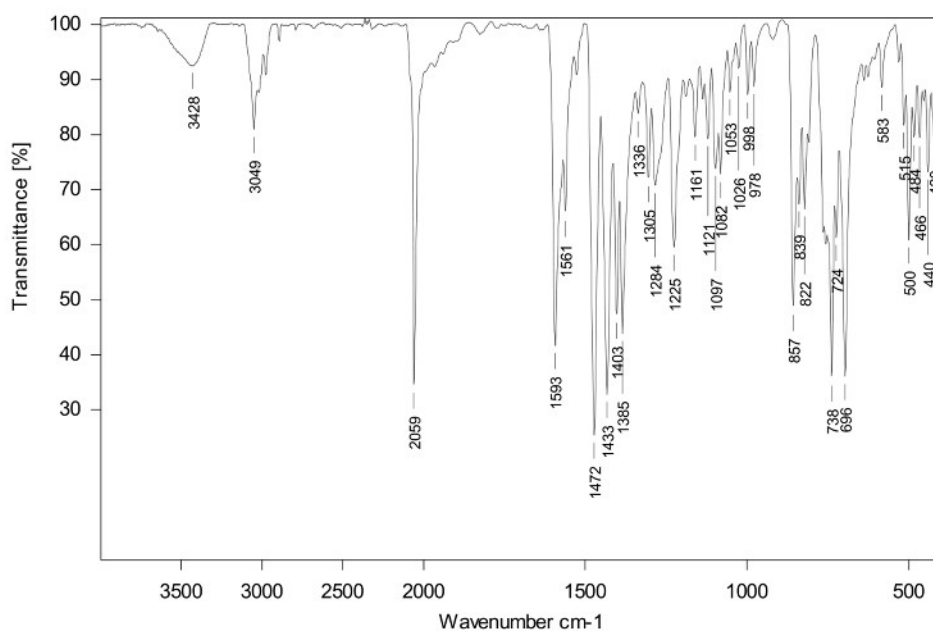
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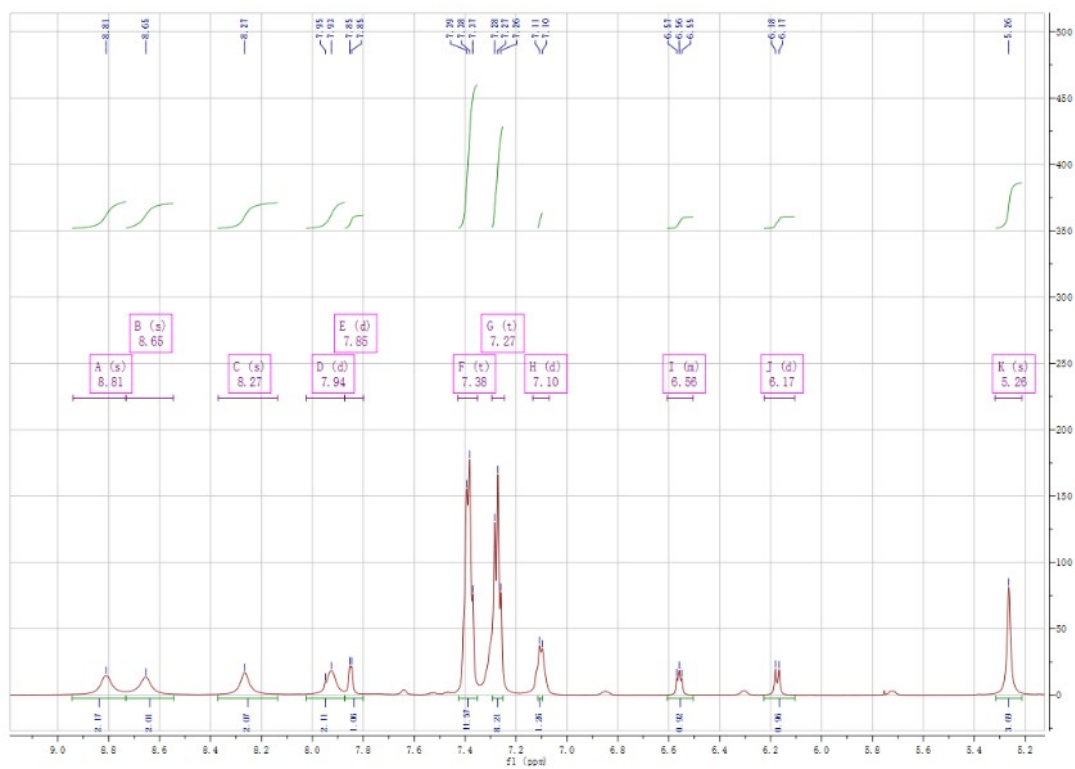
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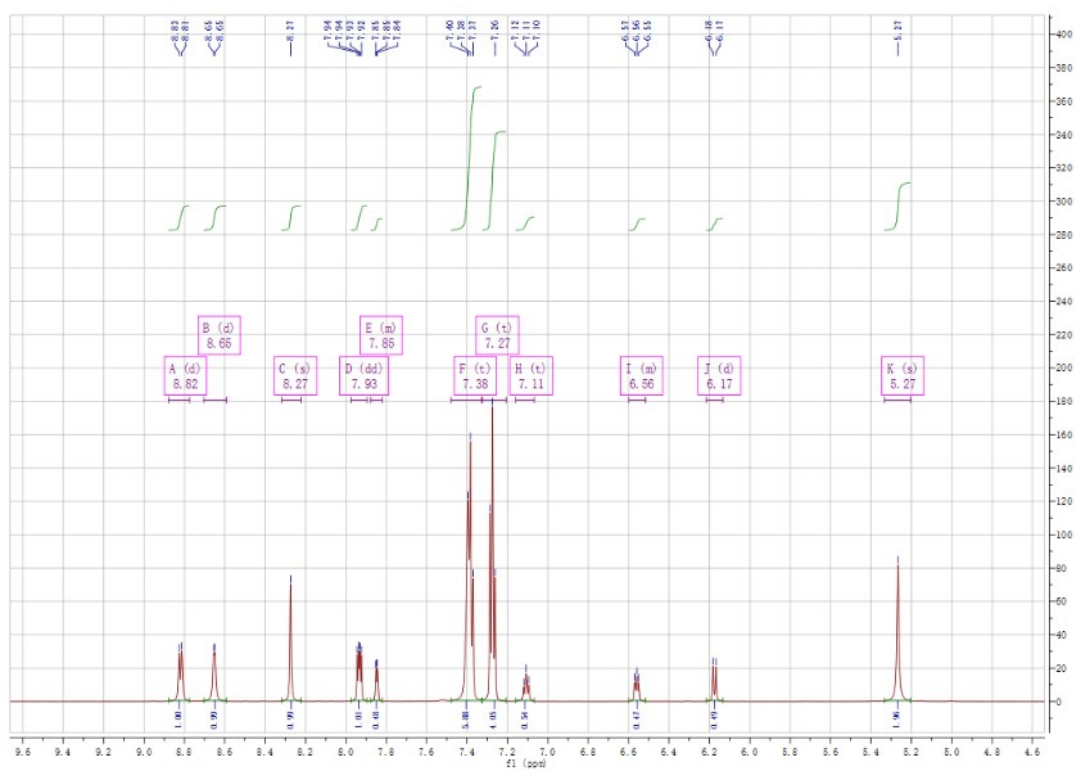
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Fig. S11 The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra for complex 3a.

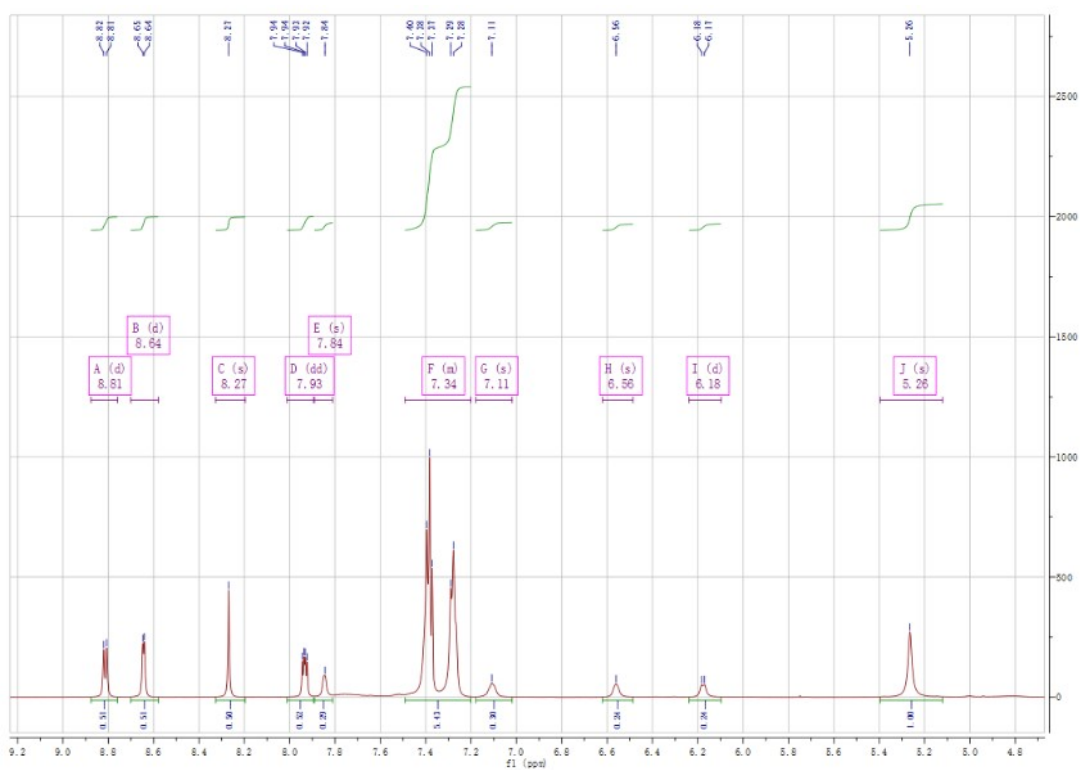


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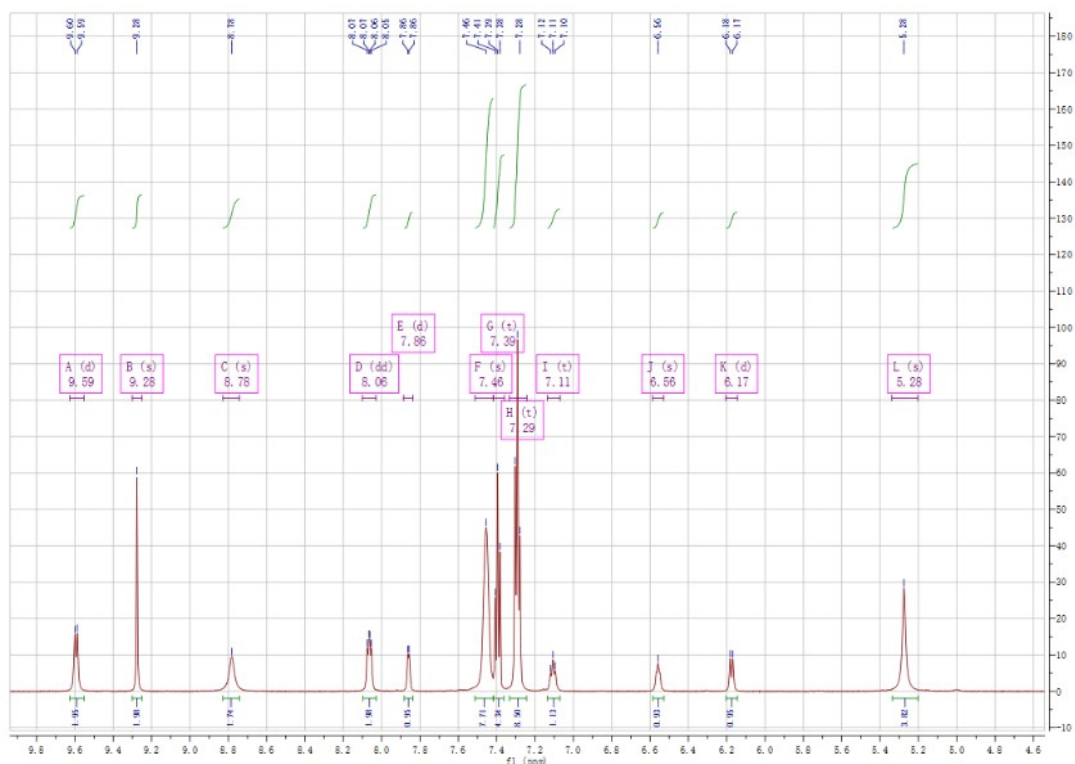


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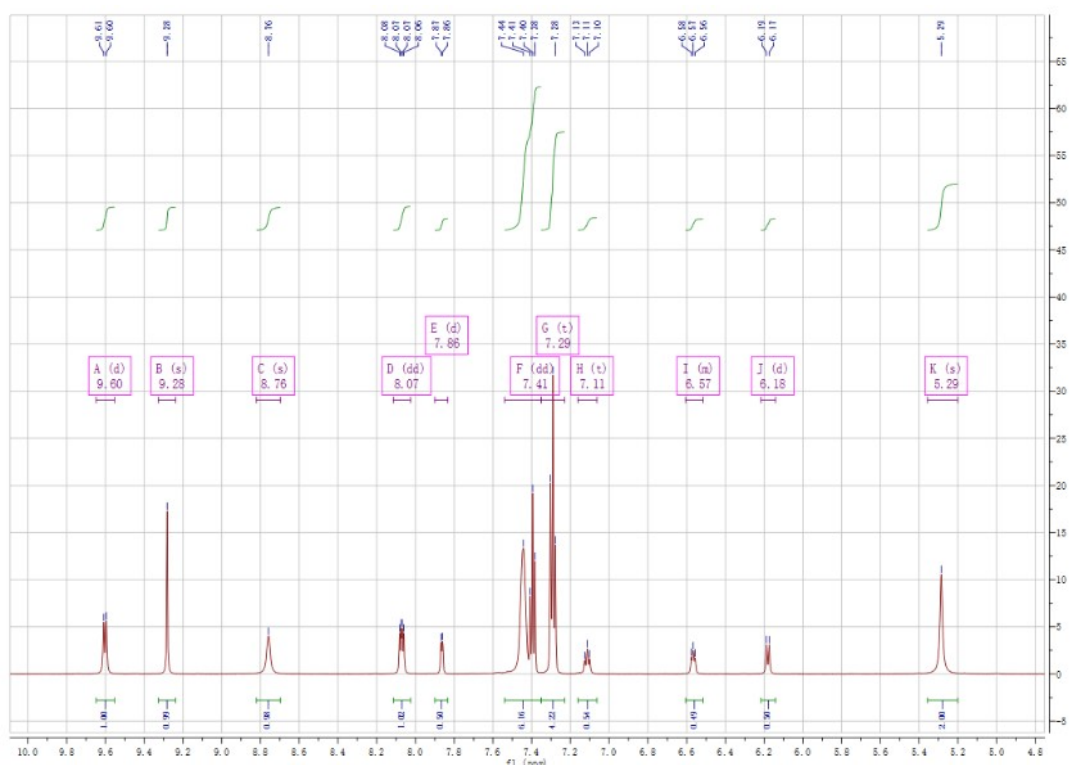
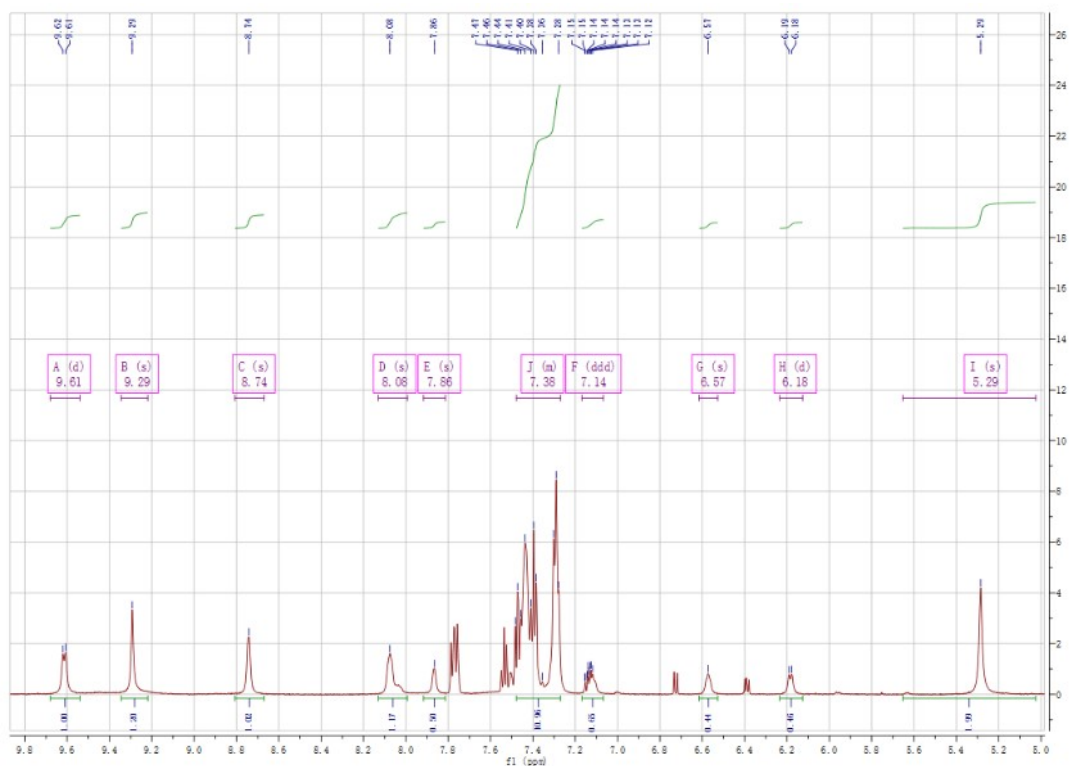
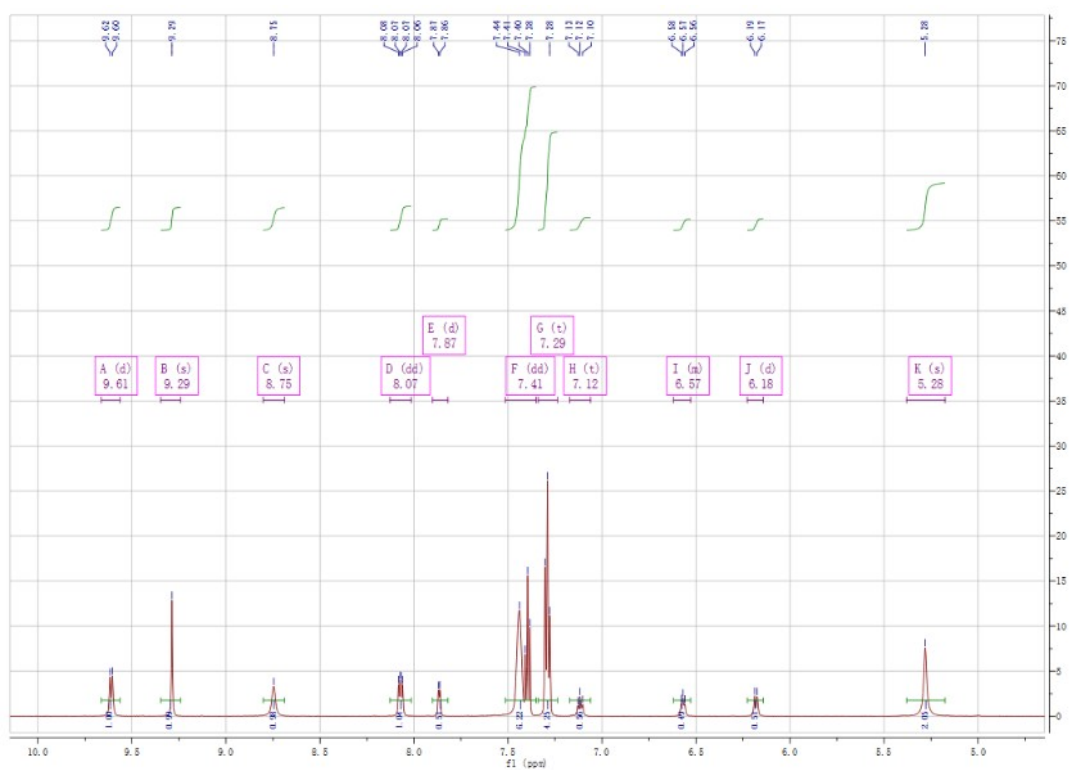


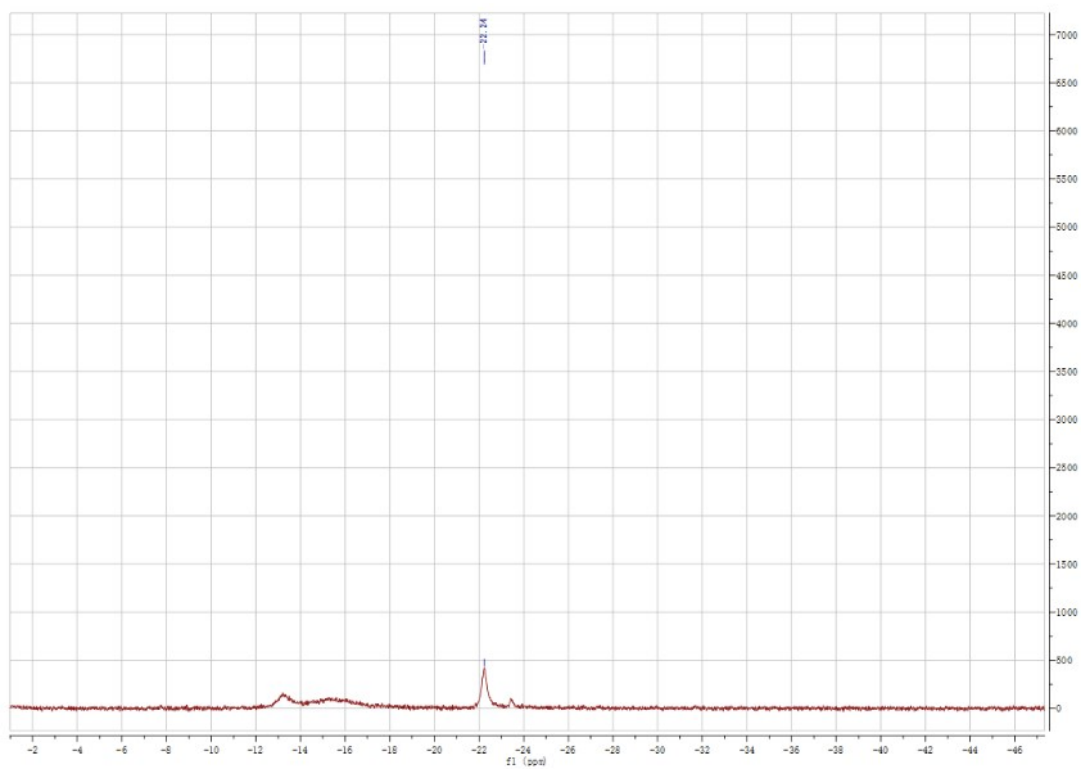
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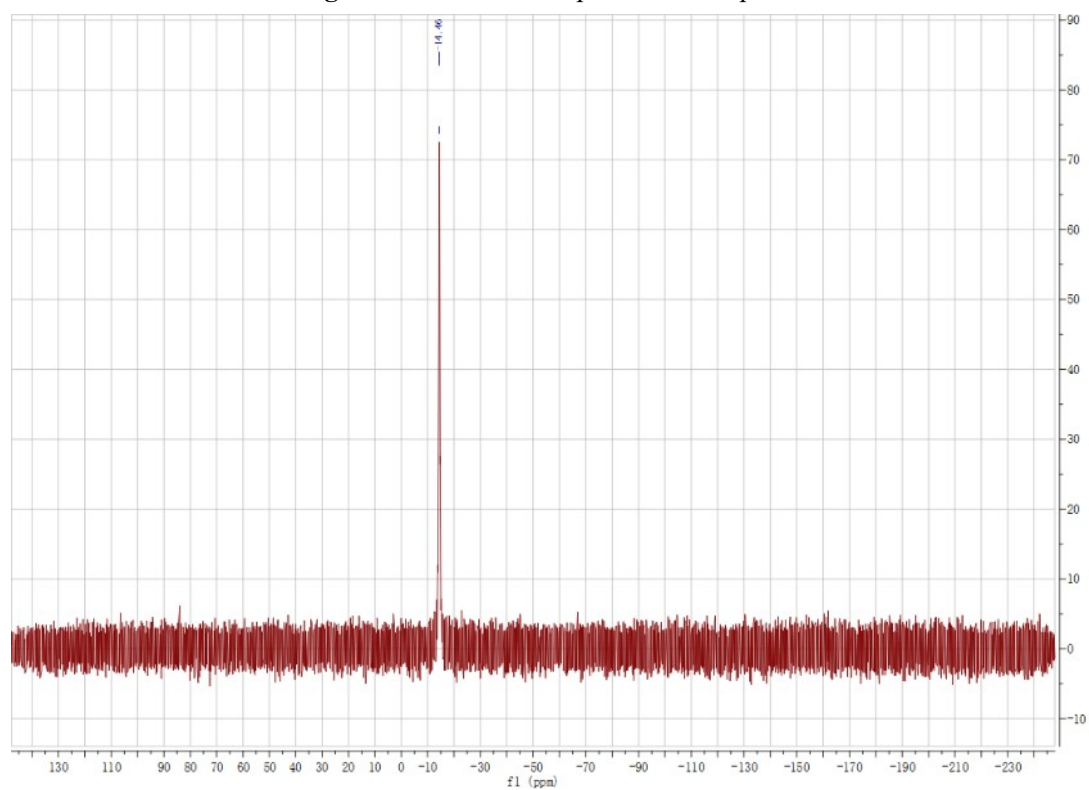
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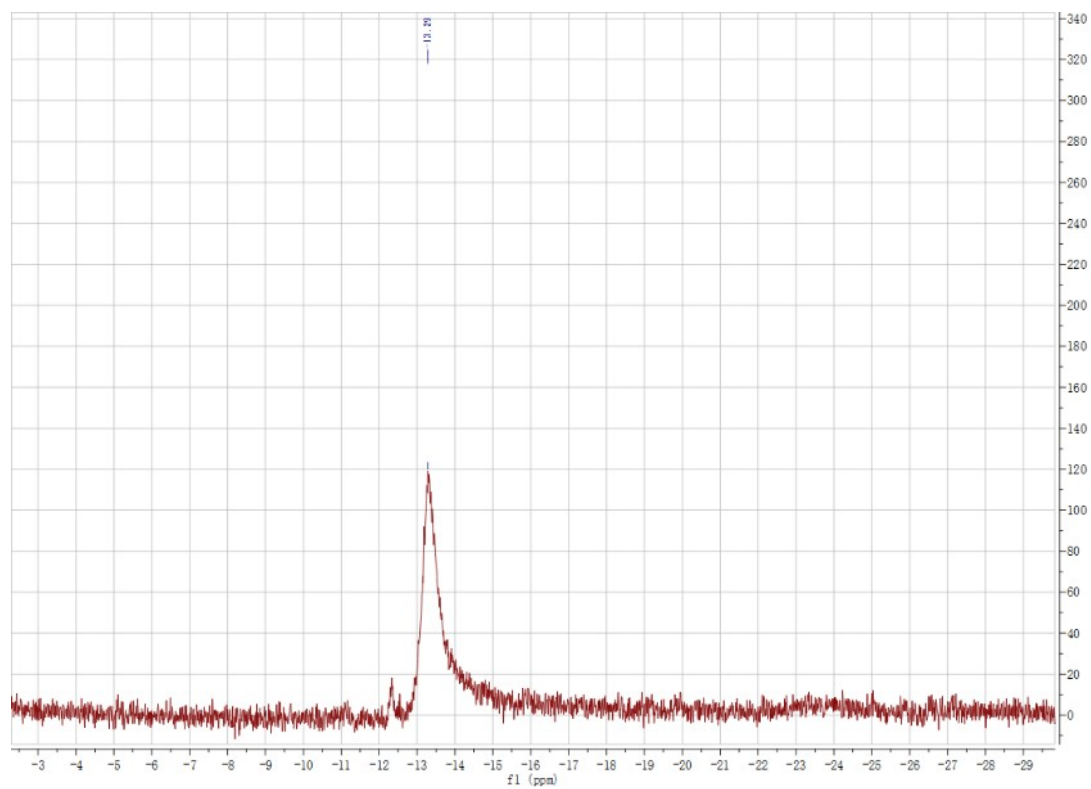
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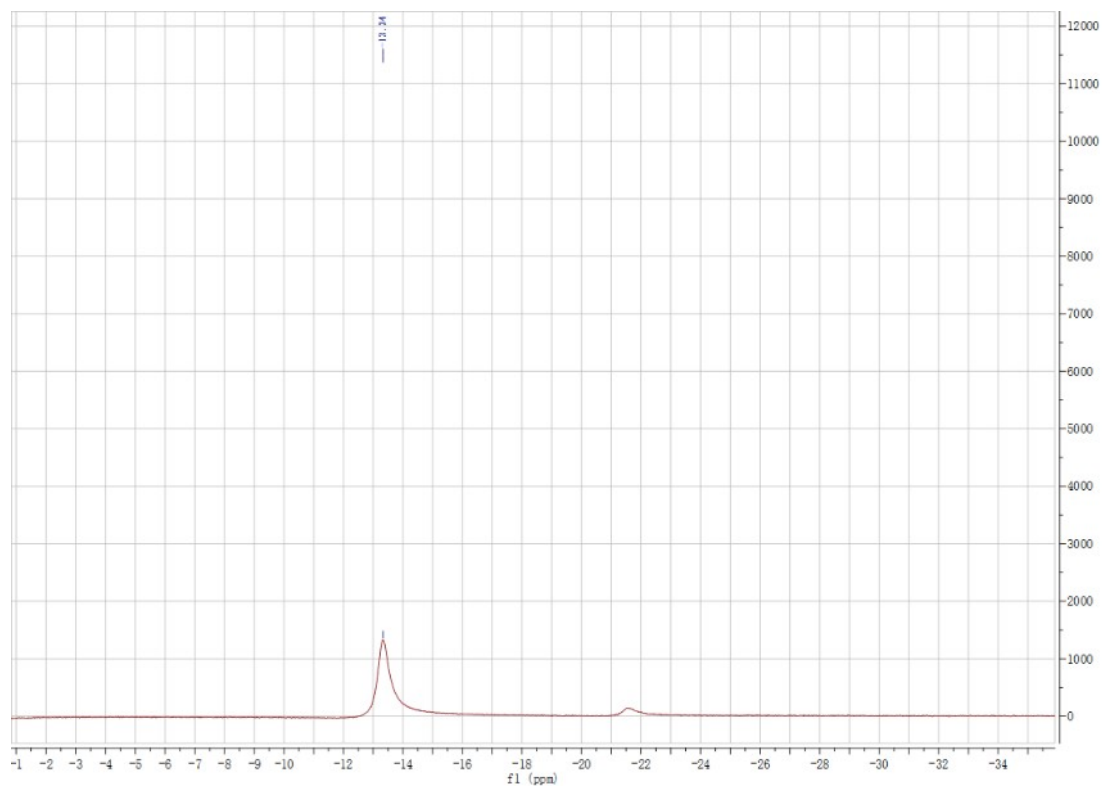
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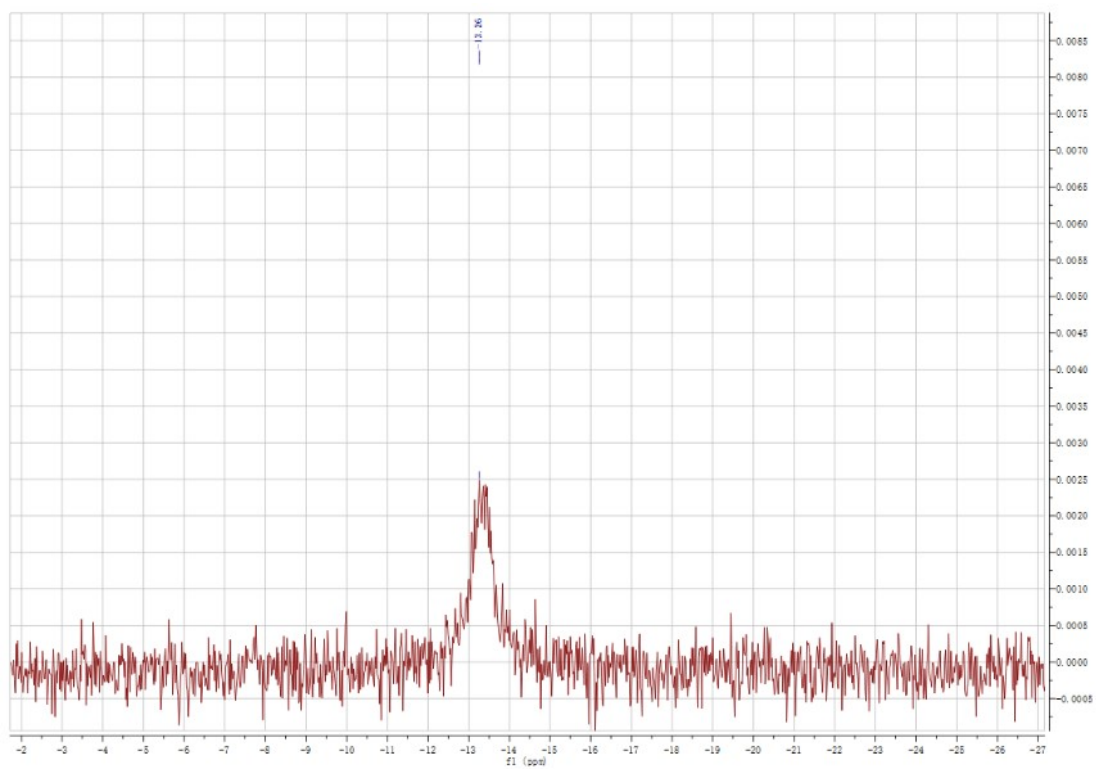
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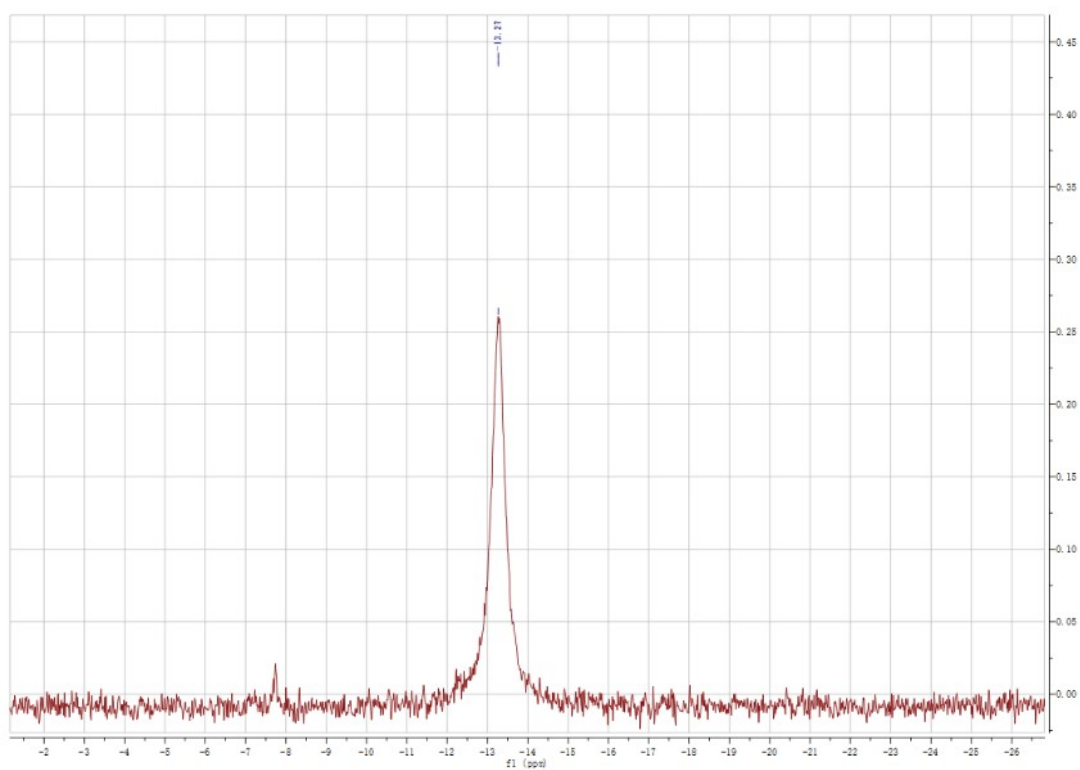
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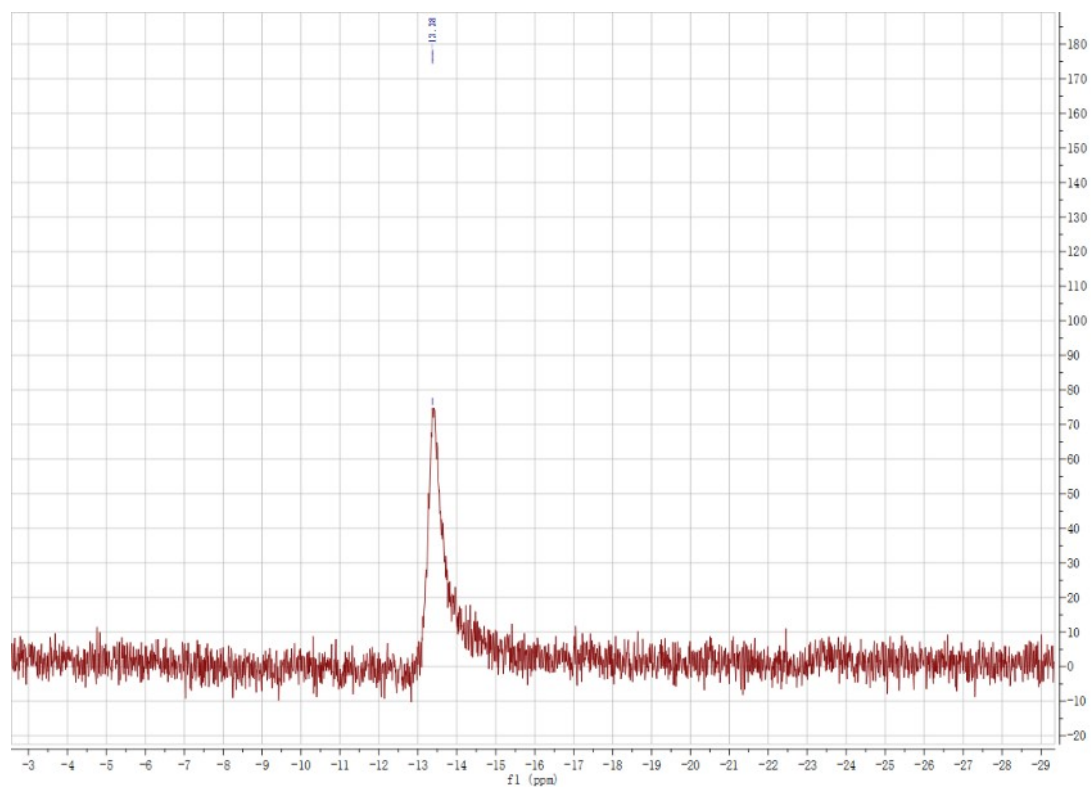
**Fig. S20** The  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for complex **4a**.



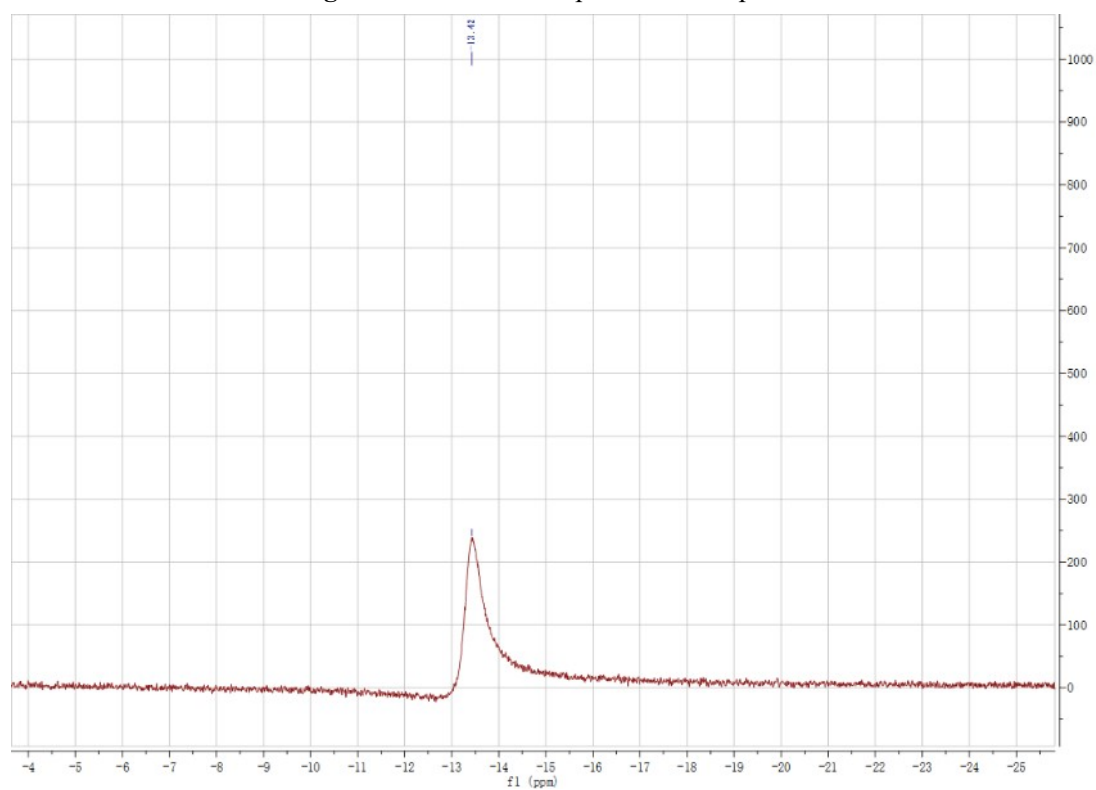
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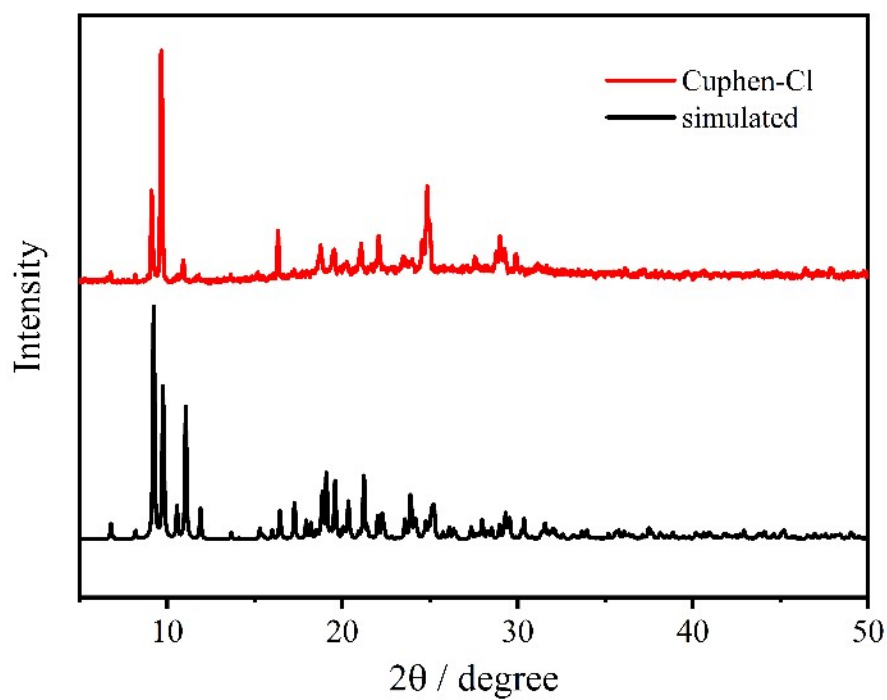
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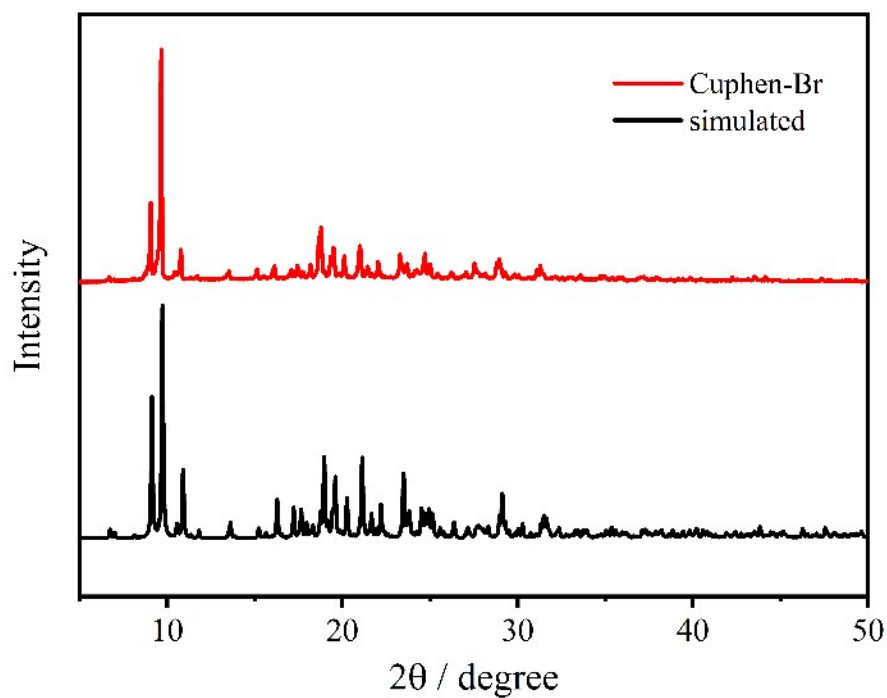
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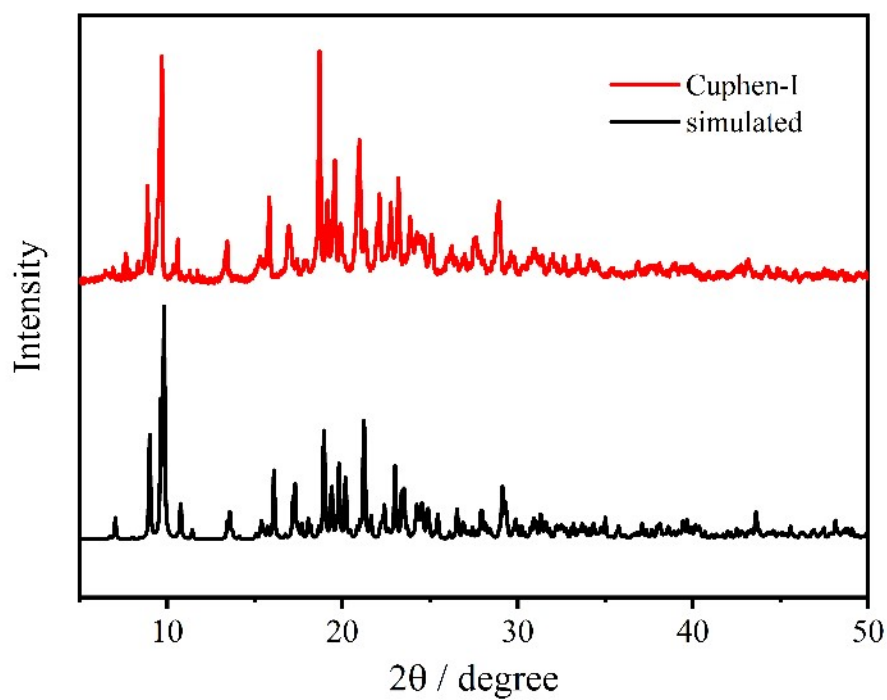
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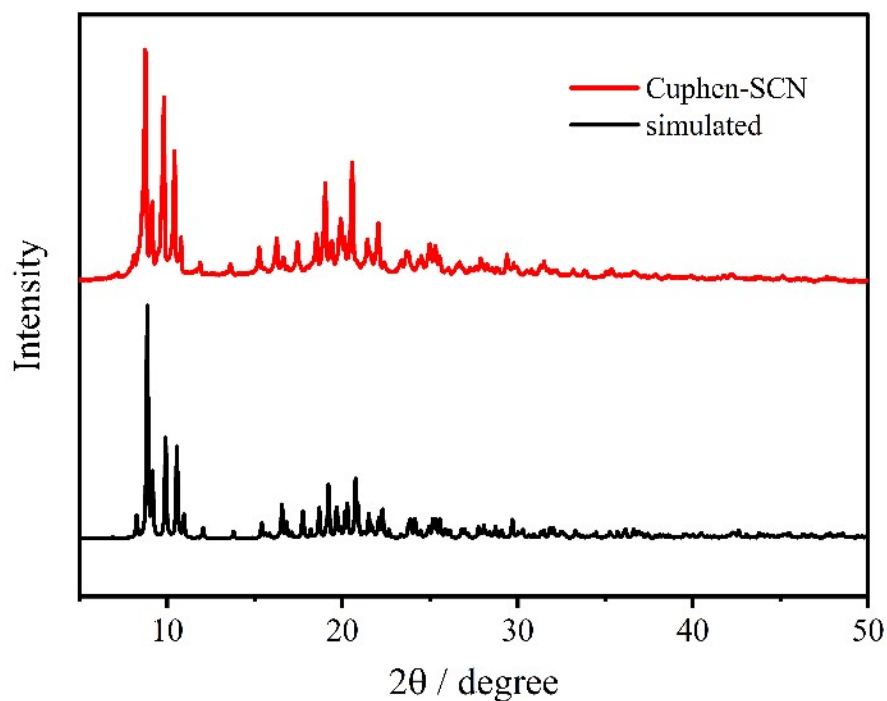
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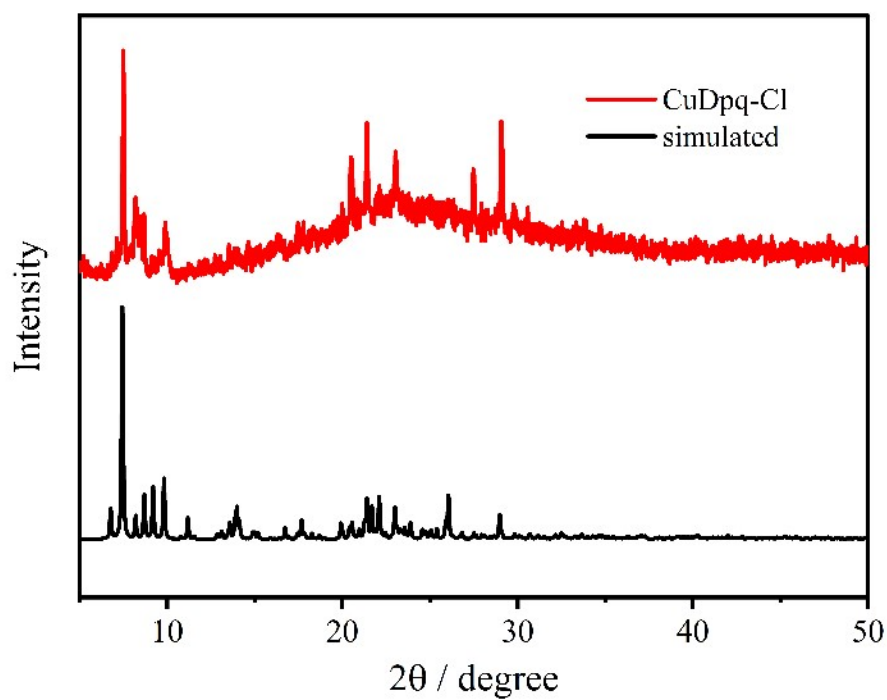


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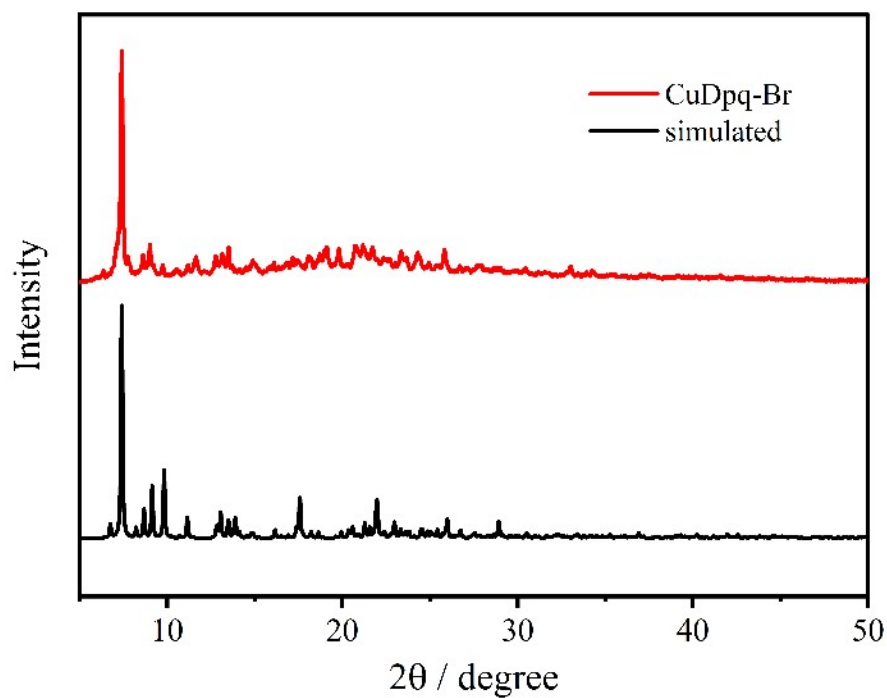


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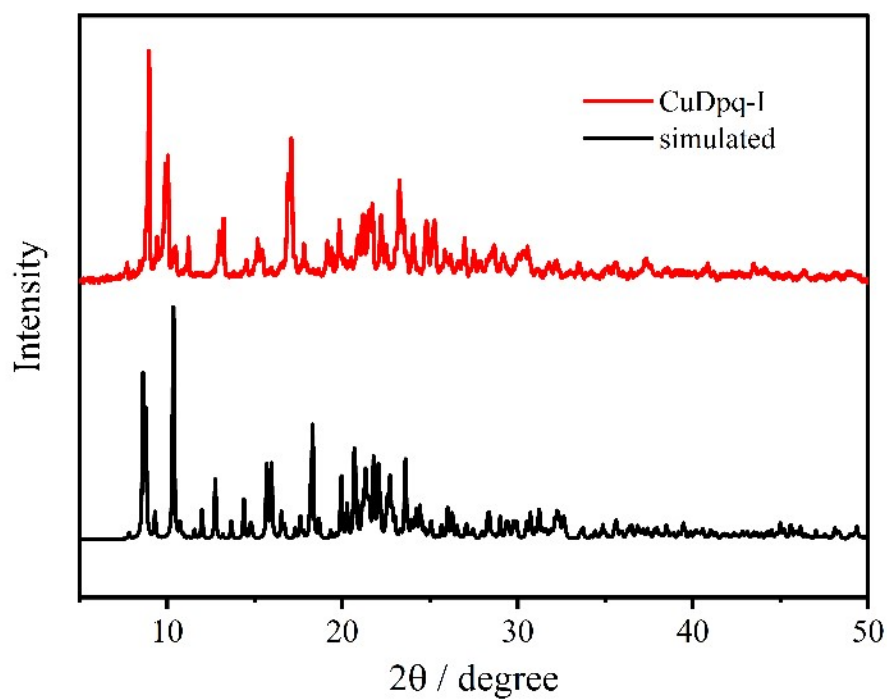




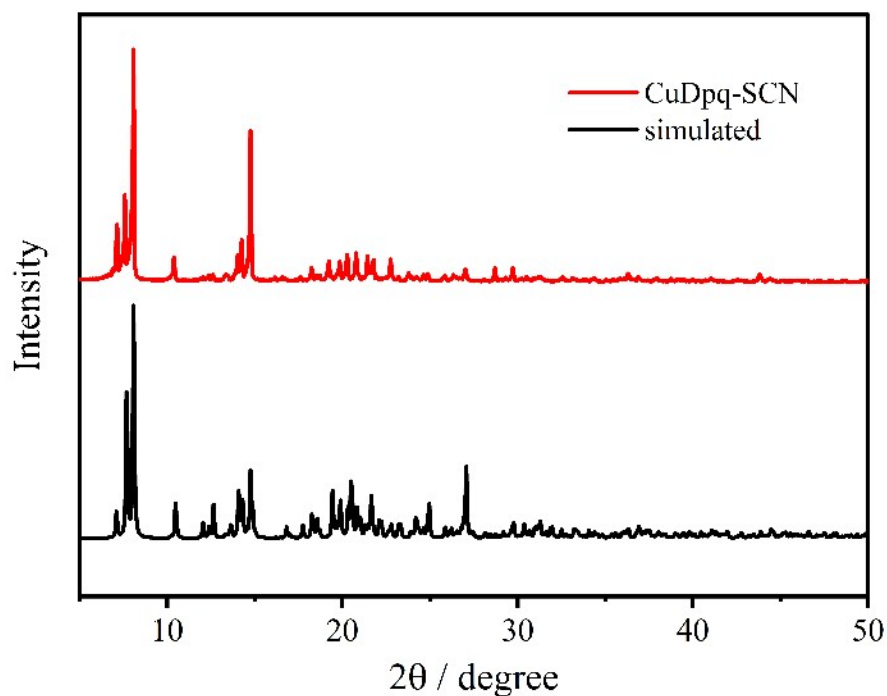
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**Fig. S30** The PXRD patterns for complex **2b**: simulated from single crystal data (Black) and single phase polycrystalline sample (Red).



**Fig. S31** The PXRD patterns for complex **3b**: simulated from single crystal data (Black) and single phase polycrystalline sample (Red).



**Fig. S32** The PXRD patterns for complex **4b**: simulated from single crystal data (Black) and single phase polycrystalline sample (Red).

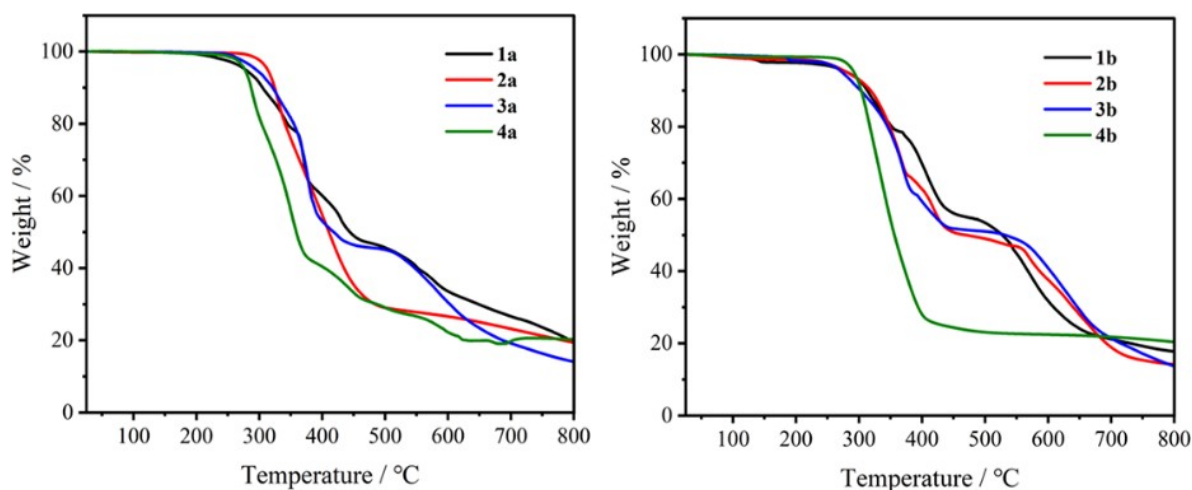


Fig. S33 The thermal stability curves for complexes **1a-4a** and **1b-4b**.

Table. S1 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for complexes **1a-4a** and **1b-4b**.

<b>1a</b>			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2396(8)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	104.61(3)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2258(7)	N(4)-Cu(1)-P(1)	116.04(6)
Cu(1)-N(4)	2.044(2)	N(4)-Cu(1)-P(2)	110.13(6)
Cu(1)-N(3)	2.065(2)	N(4)-Cu(1)-N(3)	81.70(9)
		N(3)-Cu(1)-P(1)	124.31(6)
		N(3)-Cu(1)-P(2)	118.31(6)
<b>2a</b>			
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2396(6)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	104.71(2)
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2271(6)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	125.66(6)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.0611(19)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	117.72(5)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.062(2)	N(2)-Cu(1)-N(1)	81.46(8)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	115.68(6)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	109.44(6)
<b>3a</b>			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2354(7)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	105.02(3)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2269(8)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	127.53(7)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.050(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	116.88(7)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.070(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	81.39(9)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	114.73(7)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	108.34(7)
<b>4a</b>			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2306(5)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	105.026(18)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2350(5)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	118.66(4)

Cu(1)-N(1)	2.0462(14)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	126.66(4)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.0685(14)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	81.61(6)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	107.71(4)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	113.81(4)
<b>1b</b>			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2522(10)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	105.31(4)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2347(9)	N(3)-Cu(1)-P(1)	119.12(7)
Cu(1)-N(3)	2.064(2)	N(3)-Cu(1)-P(2)	124.58(8)
Cu(1)-N(4)	2.079(3)	N(3)-Cu(1)-N(4)	80.28(10)
		N(4)-Cu(1)-P(1)	107.49(8)
		N(4)-Cu(1)-P(2)	117.36(8)
<b>2b</b>			
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2525(7)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	105.30(3)
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2414(7)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	119.72(6)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.066(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	124.31(6)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.086(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.09(8)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	108.11(6)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	116.55(6)
<b>3b</b>			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2229(7)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	102.67(3)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2515(7)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	127.83(6)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.078(2)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	115.91(6)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.056(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	123.32(7)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	104.01(7)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.89(9)
<b>4b</b>			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2335(6)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	102.97(2)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2494(6)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	116.58(5)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.0472(17)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	123.12(5)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.0971(17)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.22(7)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	123.39(5)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	110.92(5)

**Table. S2** Intermolecular weak interactions for complexes **1a-4a** and **1b-4b**.

	Cg(i)/C-H→Cg(i)/(A)	Cg	Symmetry code	Cg(A)/H...Cg(B) / Å
<b>1a</b>	Cg(10) ...Cg(10)	C35-C36-C39-C40-C38-C37	-x, -y, 1-z	3.9928
	C7-H7A→Cg(3)	N2-C1-C2-C3-C4-C5	1-x, 1-y, -z	2.95
	C24-H24→Cg(10)	C35-C36-C39-C40-C38-C37	-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.96

	C34-H34→Cg(7)	C14-C15-C16-C17-C18-C19	-x, -y, 1-z	2.89
	C15-H15…C11	/	/	2.77
	C29-H29…C11	/	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.77
	C43-H43…C11	/	/	2.68
<b>2a</b>	Cg(6)…Cg(6)	C4-C5-C6-C7-C12-C11	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	3.9368
	C8-H8→Cg(10) <sup>i</sup>	C38-C39-C40-C41-C42-C43	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.93
	C18-H18A→Cg(5) <sup>ii</sup>	N3-C13-C14-C15-C16-C17	-x, -y, 2-z.	2.99
	C1-H1…Br1 <sup>i</sup>	/	-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.84
	C28-H28A…Br1	/	x, -1+y, z	2.93
	C43--H43…Br1		-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.92
<b>3a</b>	Cg(6)…Cg(6)	C4-C5-C6-C7-C11-C12	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	3.8269
	C8-H8→Cg(10) <sup>i</sup>	C38-C39-C40-C41-C42-C43	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.92
	C14-H14→Cg(8)	C19-C20-C21-C22-C23-C24	1-x, -y, 1-z	2.97
	C1-H1…I1	/	/	3.01
<b>4a</b>	Cg(6)…Cg(6)	C4-C5-C6-C7-C12-C11	1-x, -y, -z	3.5830
	C12-H12→Cg(9) <sup>i</sup>	C32-C33-C34-C35-C36-C37	1-x, -y, -z	2.93
	C18-H18A→Cg(5) <sup>ii</sup>	N4-C13-C14-C15-C16-C17	-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.99
	C23-H23→Cg(8) <sup>iii</sup>	C25-C26-C27-C28-C29-C30	1-x, 1-y, -z	2.83
	C3-H3…N5	/	1-x, -y, -z	2.36
	C15-H15…S1	/	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.78
	C22-H22…S1	/	1-x, 1-y, -z	2.86
<b>1b</b>	O1-H1-C11	/	/	2.36
	O2-H2-C11	/	/	2.29
	O3-H3-C11	/	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.28
	C32-H32…O2	/	-1+x, y, z	2.33
	C33-H33…O1	/	-1+x, y, z	2.59
	C41-H41…O3	/	1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z	2.60
<b>2b</b>	C42-H42…O46	/	/	2.56
	C43-H43…O47	/	/	2.26
	O3-H3A…Br1	/	-1/2+x, 3/2-y, 1/2+z	2.68
	O46-H46A…Br1	/	/	2.55
	O47-H47…Br1	/	/	2.56
<b>3b</b>	C13-H13→Cg(10) <sup>i</sup>	C34-C35-C36-C37-C38-C39	1-x, 2-y, 1-z	2.86
	C17-H17→Cg(8) <sup>ii</sup>	C21-C22-C23-C24-C25-C26	1+x, y, z	2.79
	C24-H24→Cg(6)	N6-C15-C16-C17-C18-C19	1-x, 2-y, -z	2.90
	C1-H1…I1 <sup>i</sup>	/	/	3.00
<b>4b</b>	Cg(7)…Cg(7)	C4-C5-C6-C7-C12-C11	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	3.9801
	C14-H14→Cg(10) <sup>i</sup>	C34-C35-C36-C37-C38-C39	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.89

C33-H33A...S1 <sup>i</sup>	/	x, -1+y, z	2.78
C42-H42...N7 <sup>ii</sup>	/	1-x, 1-y, 1-z	2.60

**Table. S3** Fluorescence data for ligands phen, Dpq and bdppmapy.

ligands	$\lambda_{ex}$ / nm	$\lambda_{em}$ / nm
phen	365	384
Dpq	382	419
bdppmapy	380	433

**Table. S4** Energy, oscillator strength and major contribution of the calculated transitions for complexes **3a** and **3b**

Excited state	Energy	Oscillator strength	Contribution %
[Cu(bdppmapy)(phen)] <sup>+</sup> absorbtion	5.1490 eV 240.79 nm	0.1695	HOMO-17 -> LUMO 9.57
			HOMO-17 -> LUMO+2 3.48
			HOMO-9 -> LUMO+2 3.16
			<b>HOMO-8 -&gt; LUMO+2 46.32</b>
			HOMO-5 -> LUMO+2 9.11
			HOMO-4 -> LUMO+2 3.96
[Cu(bdppmapy)(phen)] <sup>+</sup> emission	2.7530 eV 450.36 nm	0.0541	HOMO-5 -< LUMO 4.47
			<b>HOMO-3 -&lt; LUMO 59.03</b>
			HOMO-2 -< LUMO 23.19
			HOMO-1 -< LUMO+1 2.16
			HOMO -< LUMO+2 3.82
[Cu(bdppmapy)(Dpq)] <sup>+</sup> absorbtion	4.8957 eV 253.25 nm	0.5546	HOMO-17 -> LUMO 9.29
			<b>HOMO-17 -&gt; LUMO+2 39.42</b>
			HOMO-16 -> LUMO 12.81
			HOMO-16 -> LUMO+2 12.76
			HOMO-3 -> LUMO+4 2.88
[Cu(bdppmapy)(Dpq)] <sup>+</sup> emission	2.6185 eV 473.49 nm	0.0445	HOMO-3 -< LUMO 10.14
			<b>HOMO-2 -&lt; LUMO 70.56</b>
			HOMO-1 -< LUMO 12.08