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**Fast and Selective Reversed-Phase High-Performance Liquid Chromatographic Separation of  $\text{UO}_2^{2+}$  and  $\text{Th}^{4+}$  Ions using Surface Modified  $\text{C}_{18}$  Silica Monolithic Supports with Target Specific Ionophoric Ligands**

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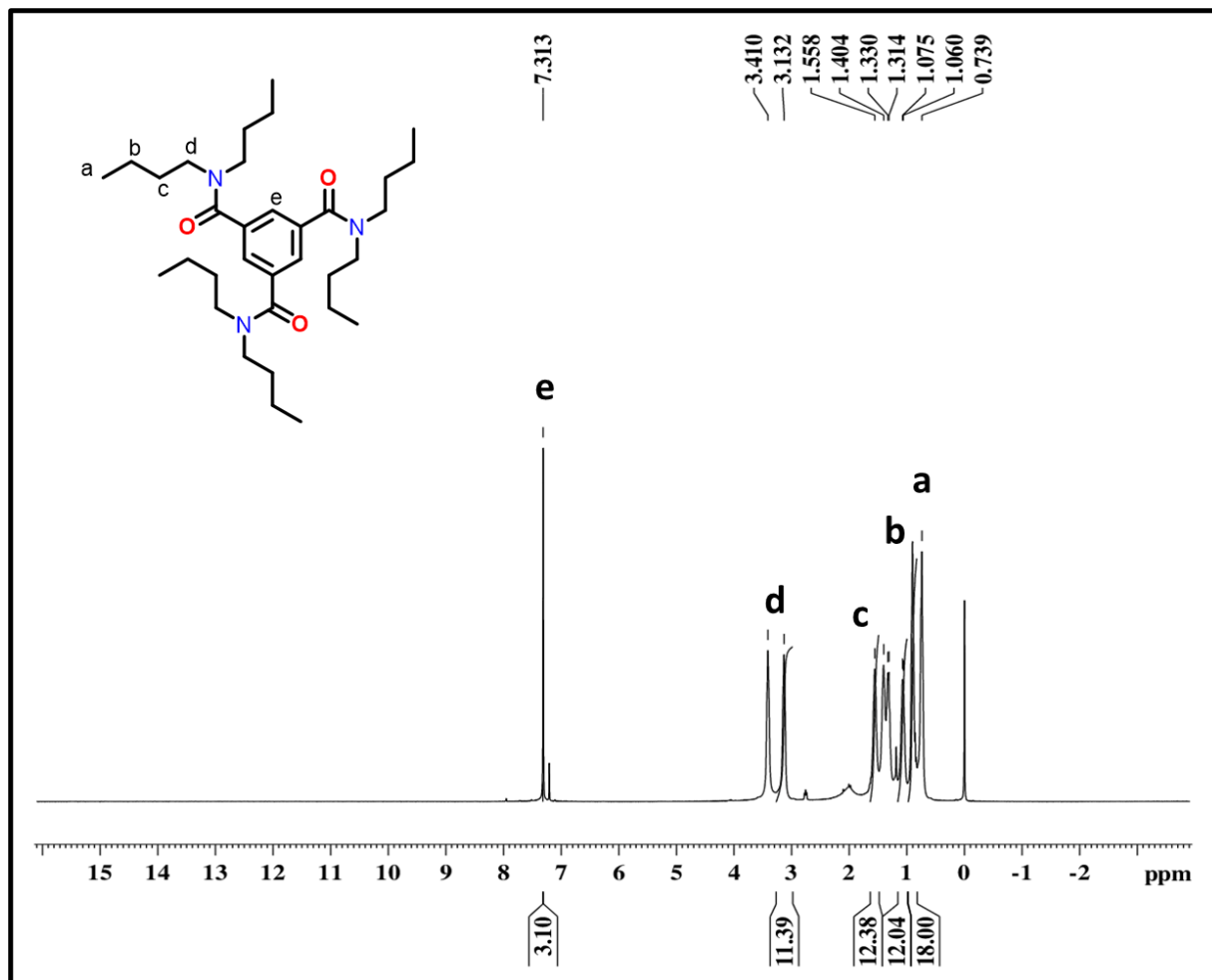


Fig. S1  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of HBBTA

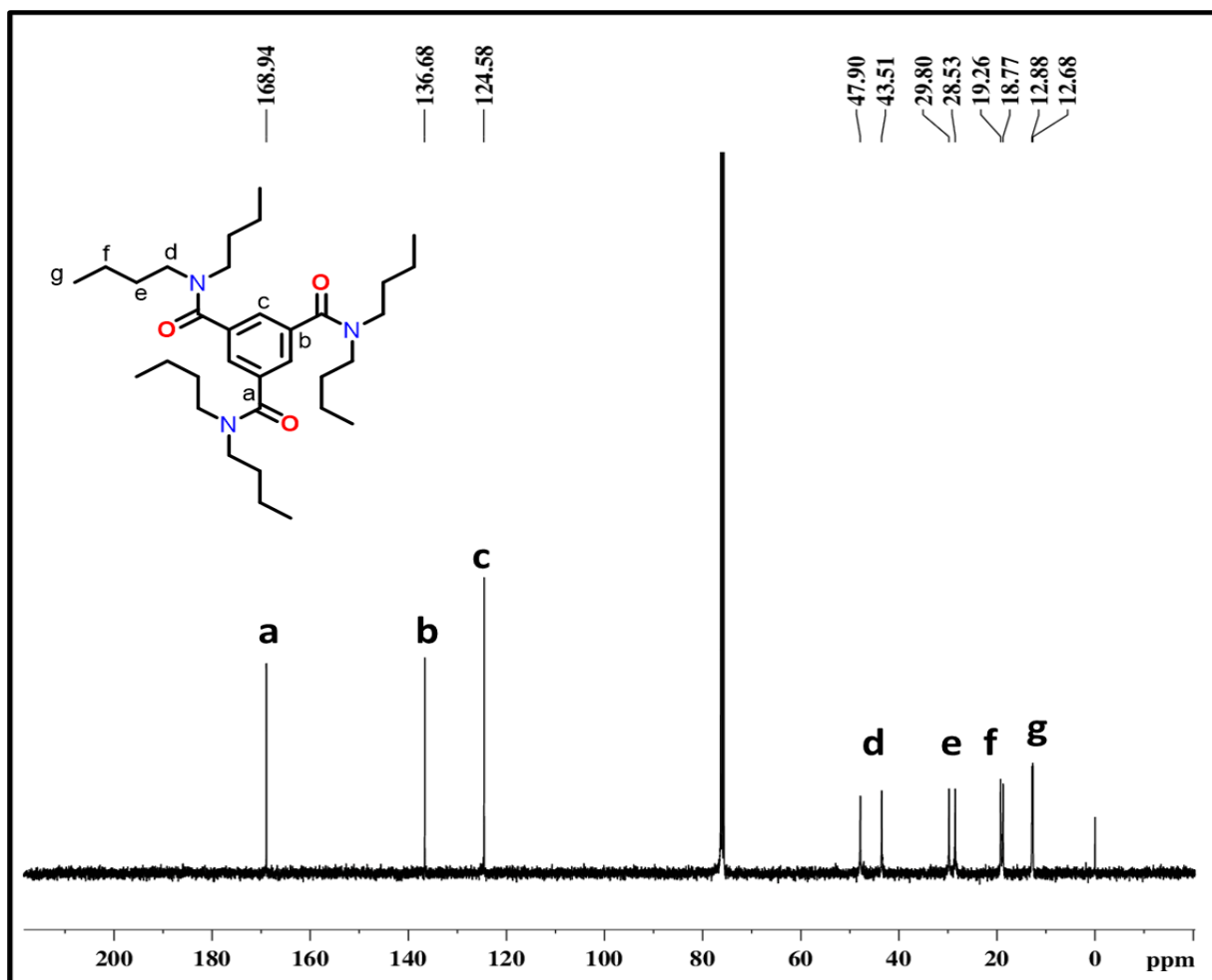


Fig. S2  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of HBBTA

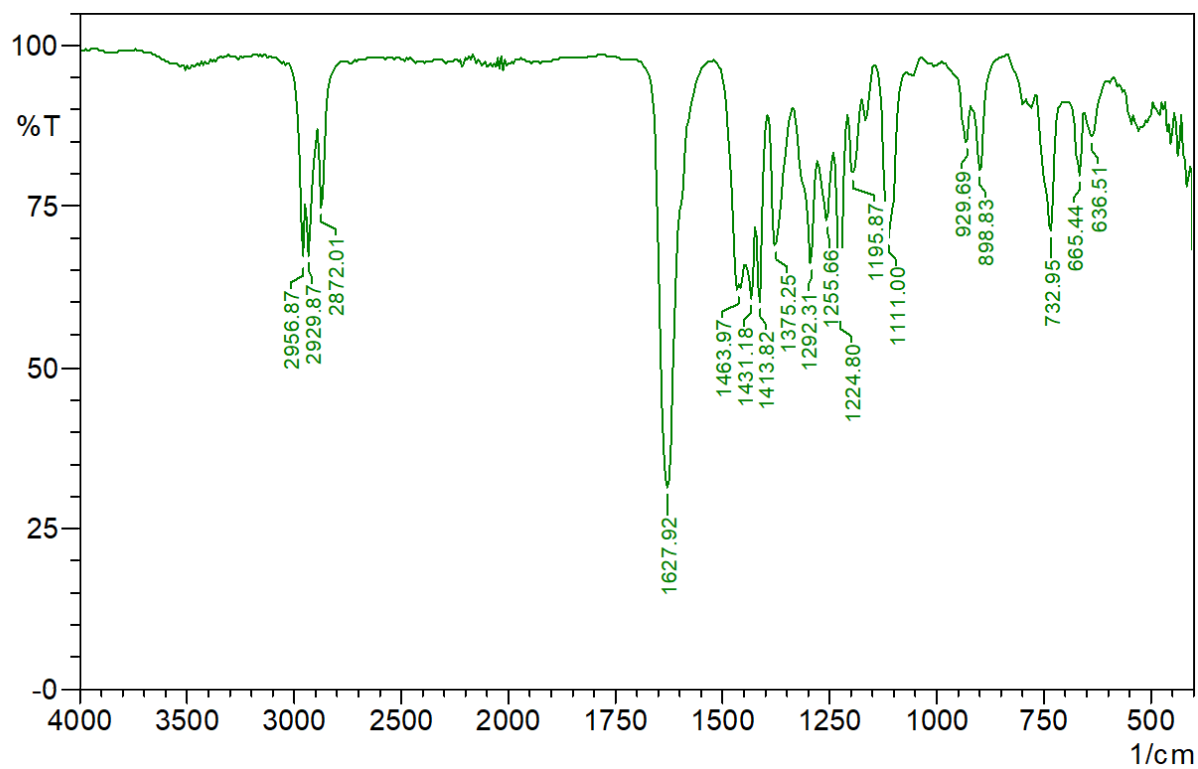


Fig. S3 FT-IR spectrum of HBBTA

## II. $^1\text{H}$ & $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR & FT-IR spectra of HHBTA

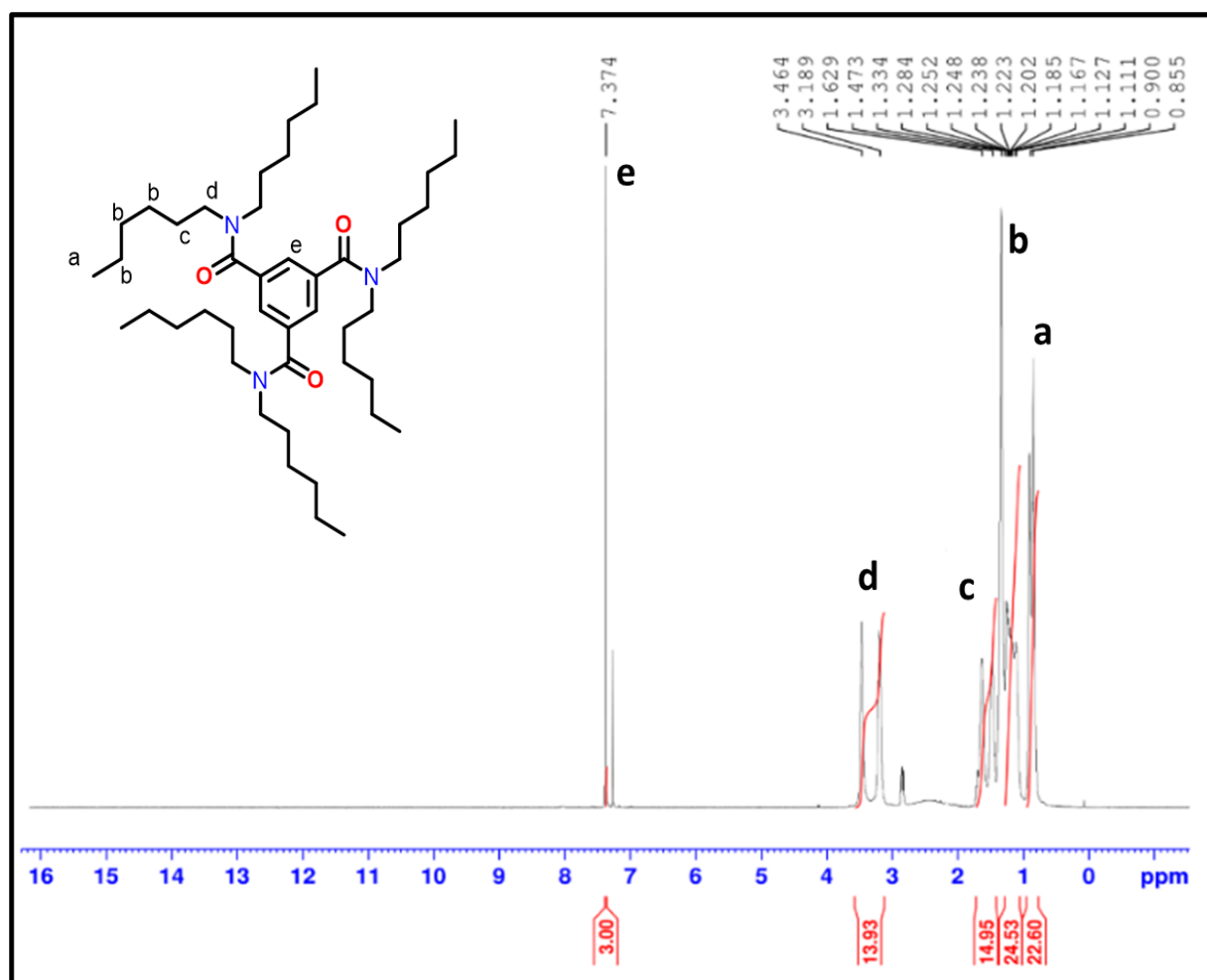
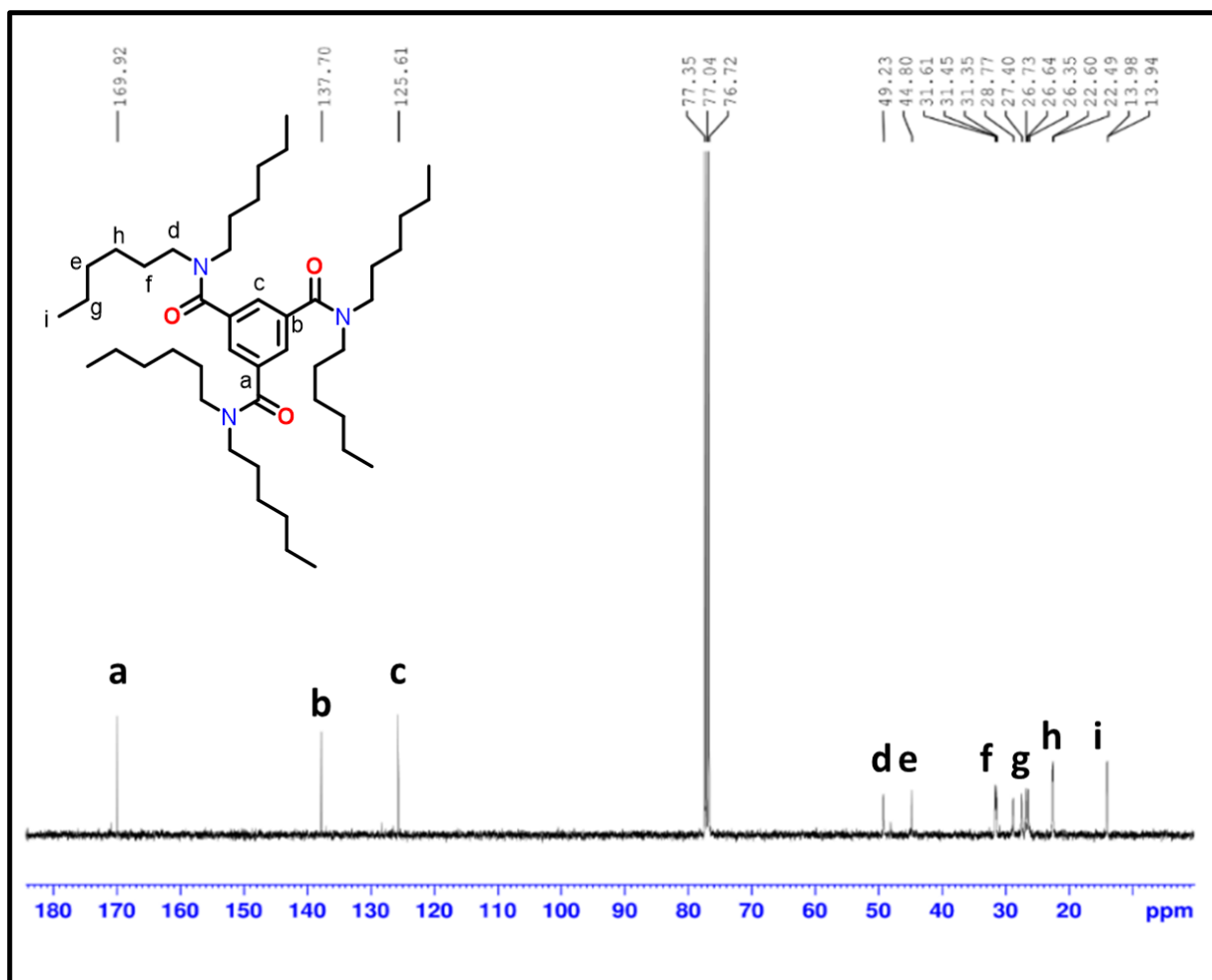
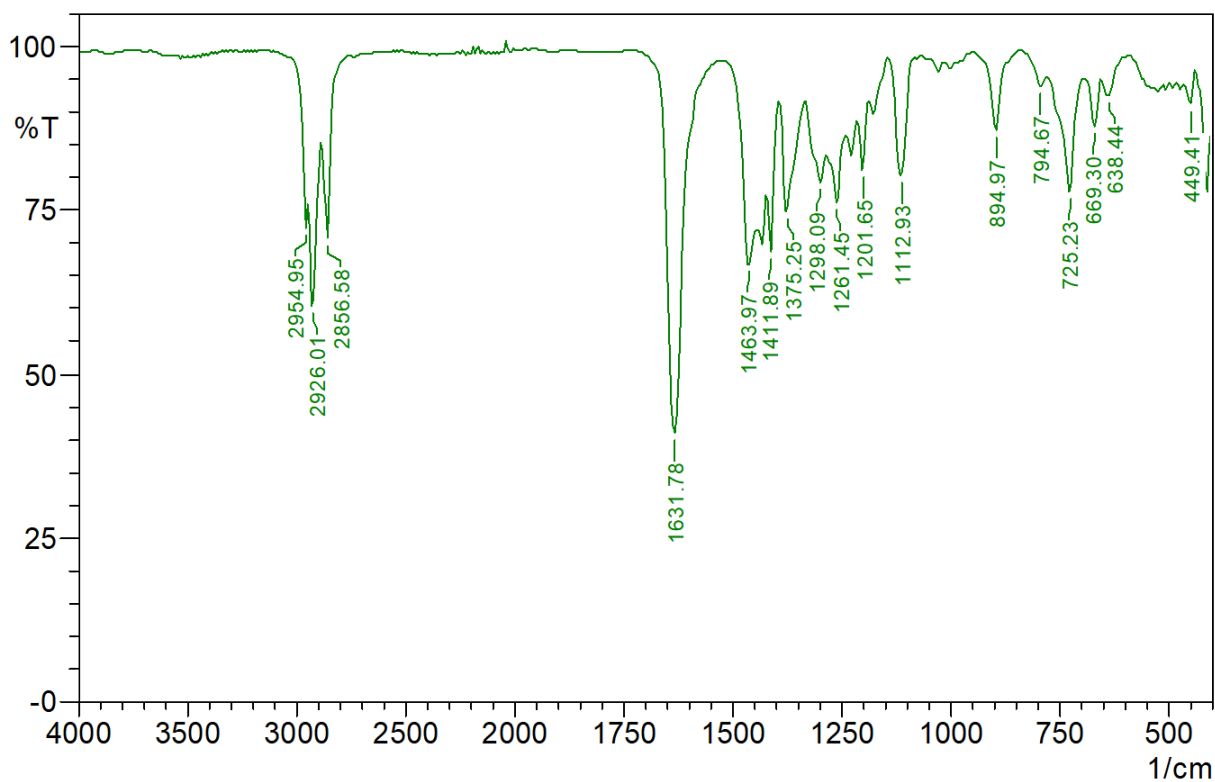


Fig. S4  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of HHBTA



**Fig. S5**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of HHBTA



**Fig. S6** FT-IR spectrum of HHBTA

### III. $^1\text{H}$ & $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR & FT-IR spectra of HOBTAs

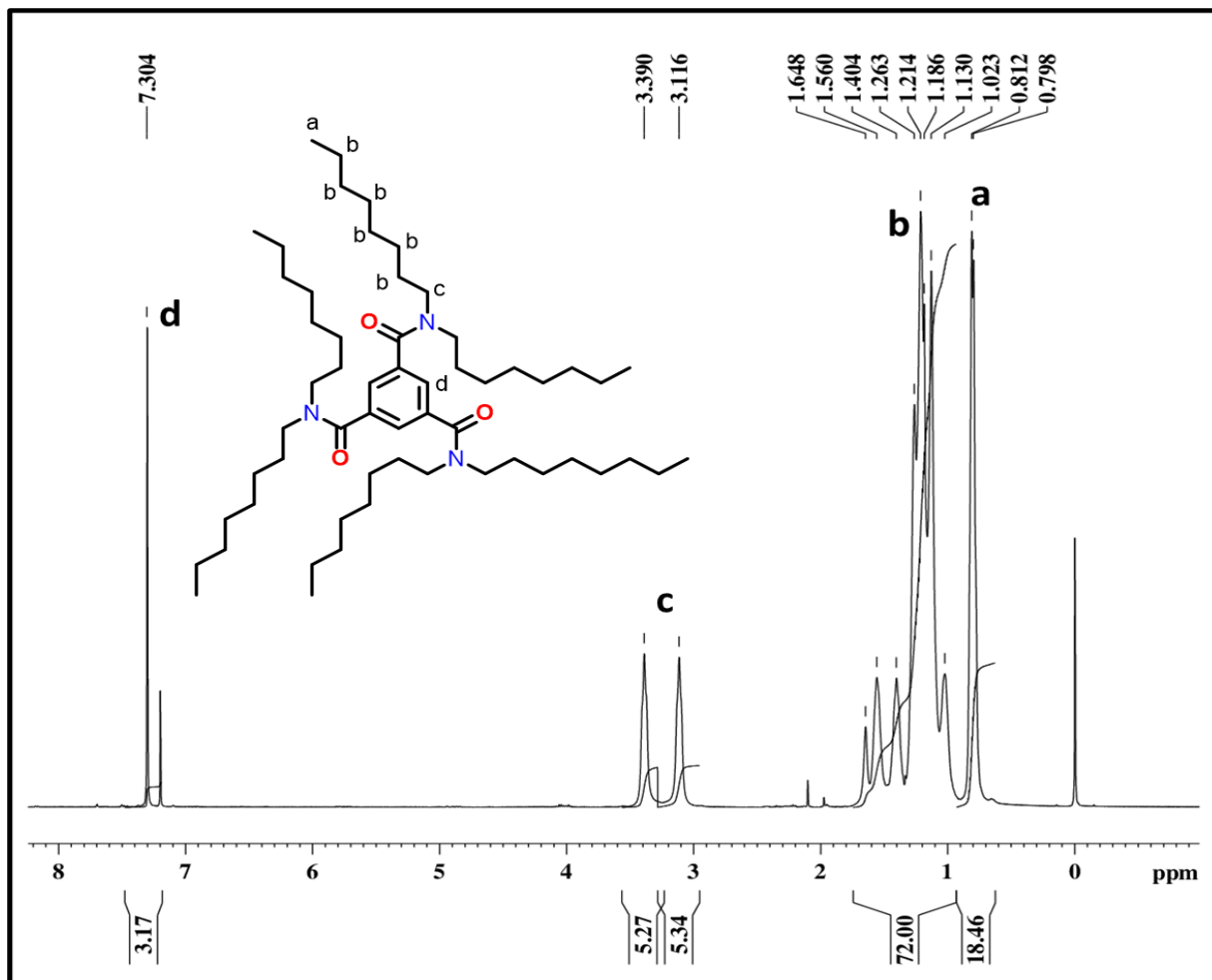


Fig. S7  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of HOBTAs

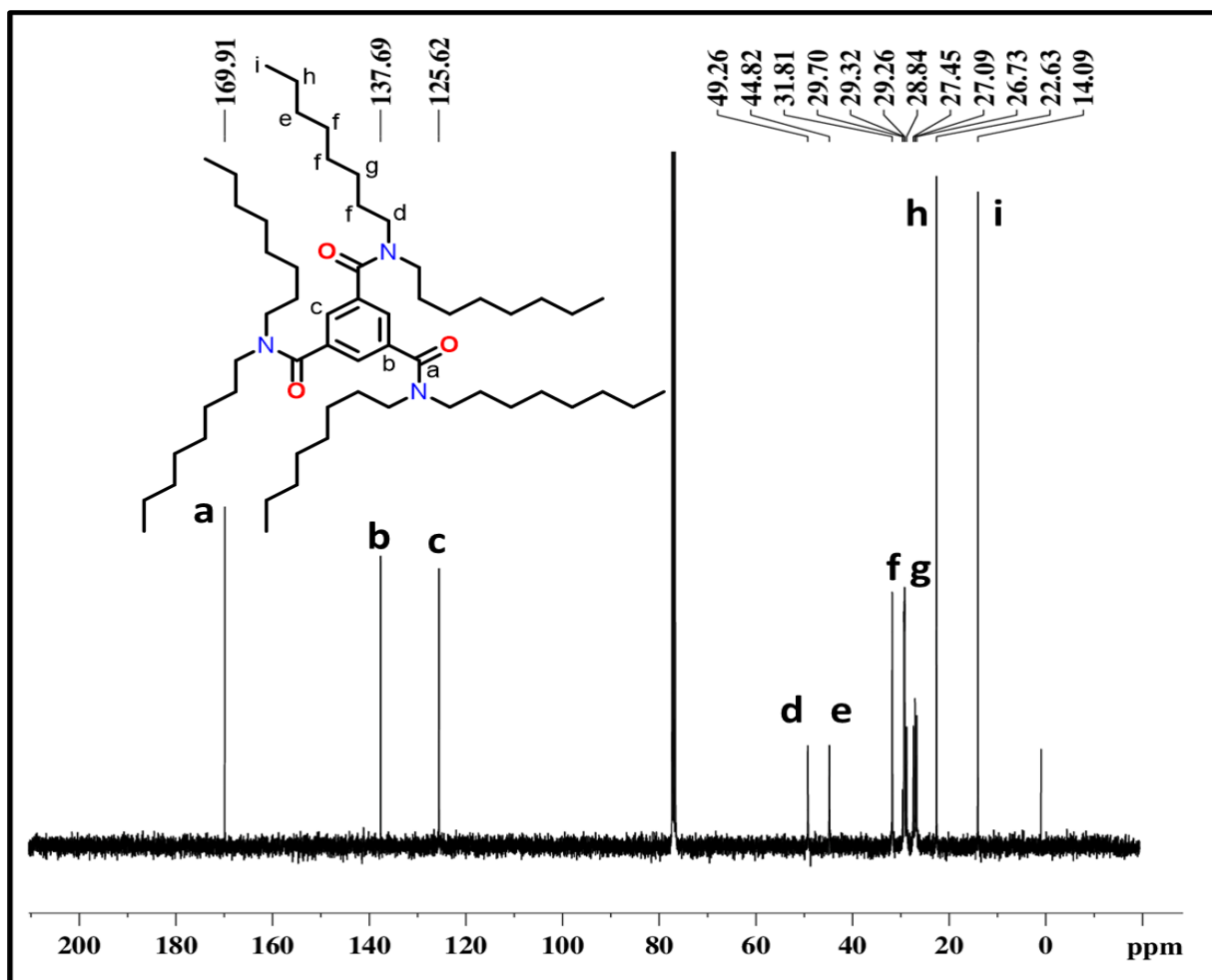


Fig. S8 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of HOBTA

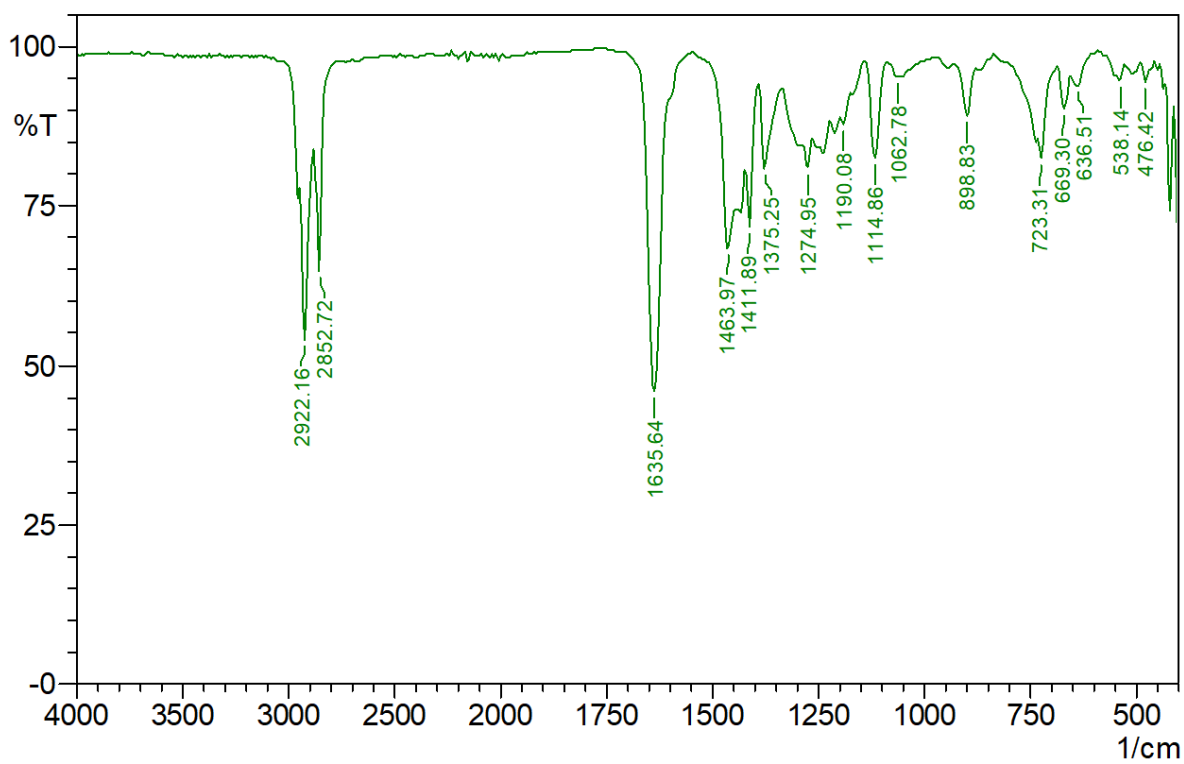


Fig. S9 FT-IR spectrum of HOBTA

IV.  $^1\text{H}$  &  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR & FT-IR spectra of HDBTA

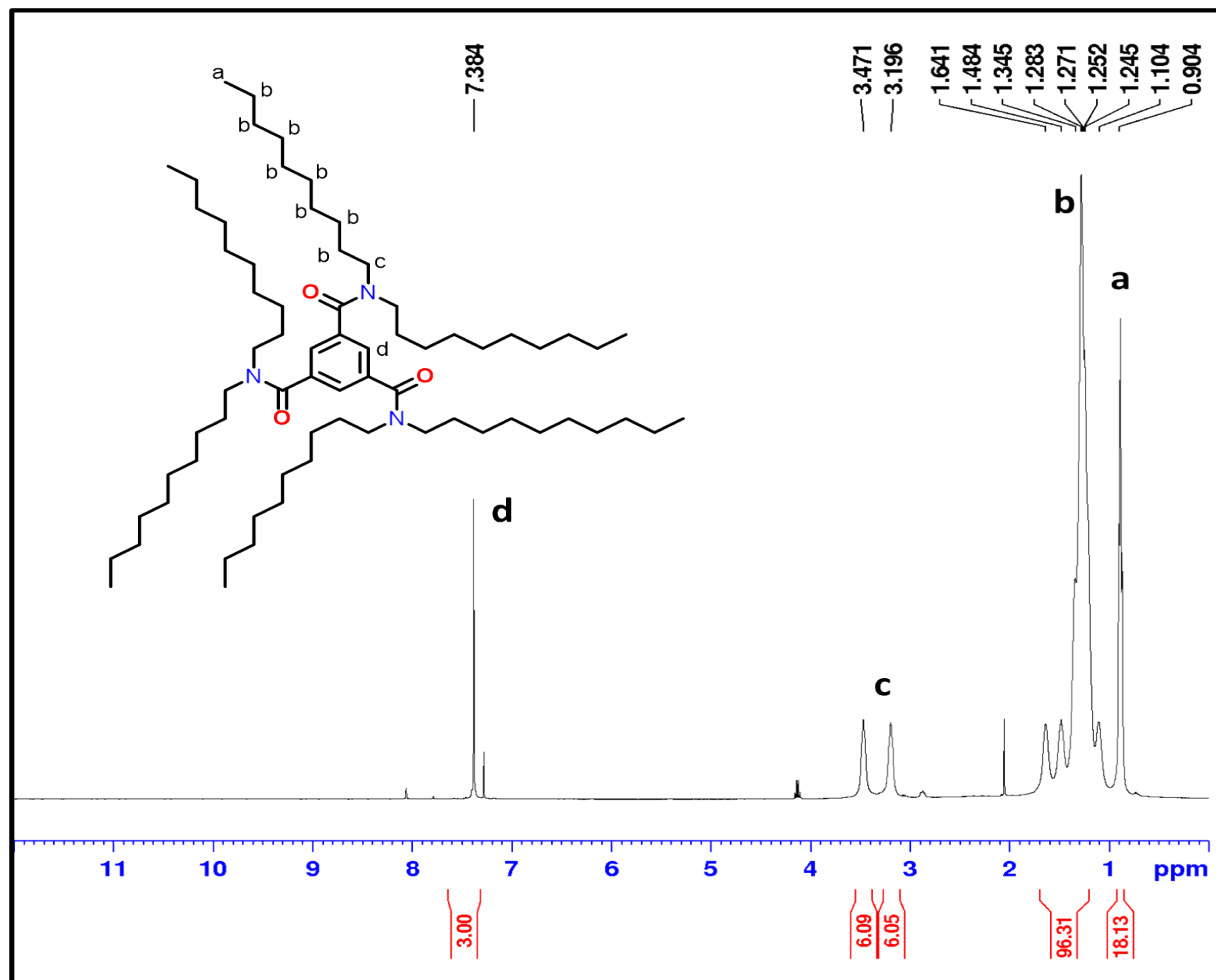


Fig. S10  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of HDBTA



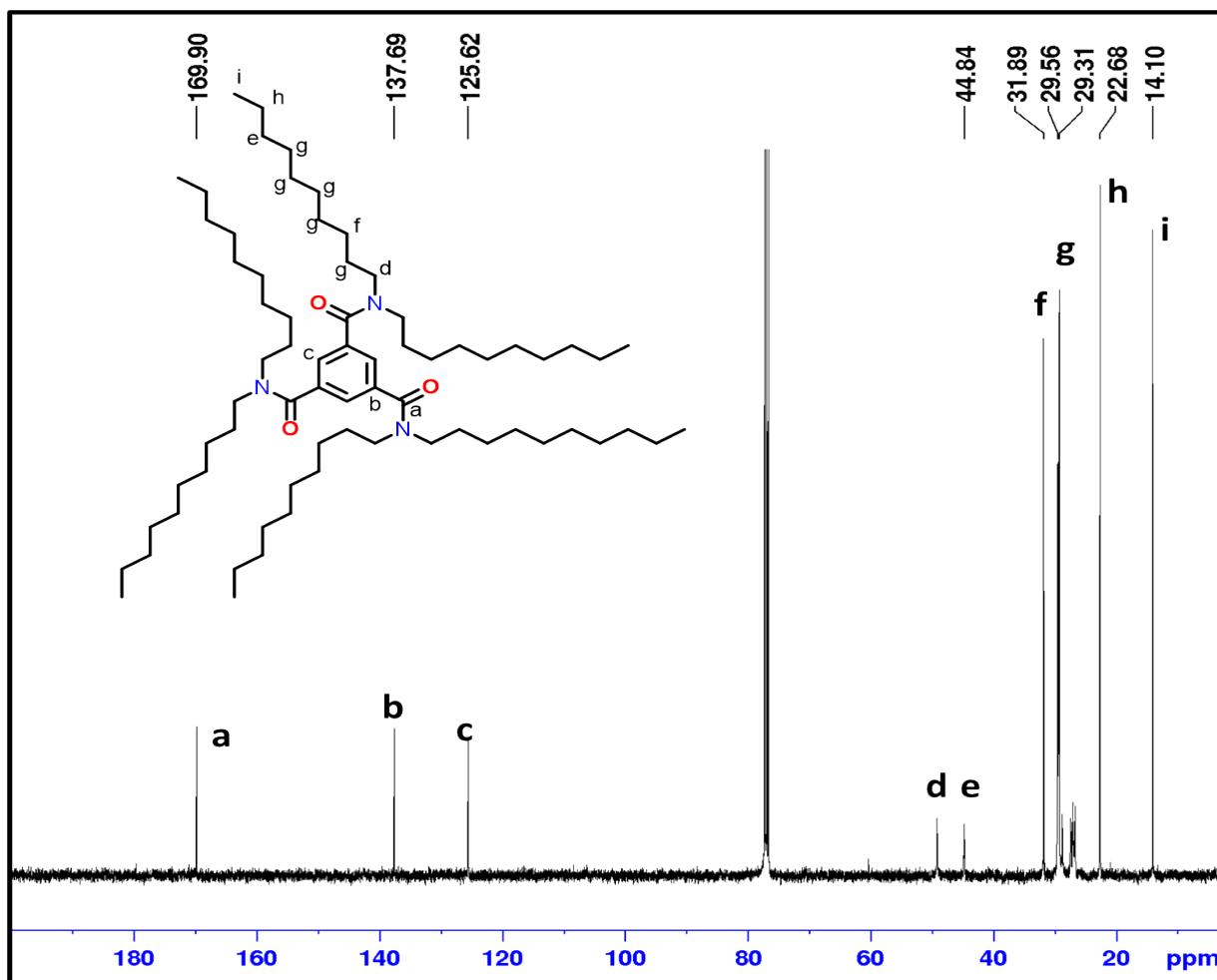


Fig. S11 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of HDBTA

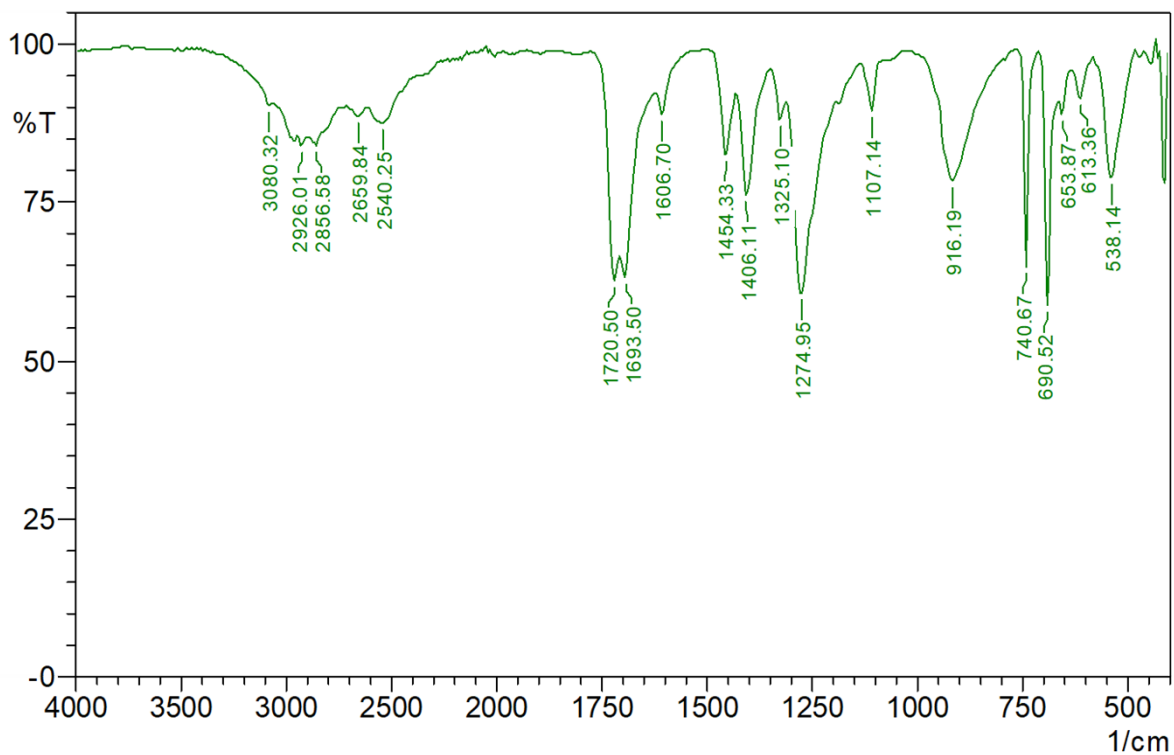


Fig. S12 FT-IR spectrum of HDBTA

**Table S1.** Exact amount of the modifiers adsorbed onto the monolithic support.

Column Modifier	Initial amount of column modifiers (mmol)	MeOH:H <sub>2</sub> O (v/v)	Amount of modifier coated (mmol)
<b>HBBTA</b>	0.10	75:25	0.06
	0.25	76:24	0.08
	0.50	78:22	0.13
	<b>1.50</b>	<b>73:27</b>	<b>0.17</b>
<b>HHBTA</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>78:22</b>	<b>0.07</b>
	0.25	78:22	0.09
	0.50	78:22	0.14
<b>HOBTA</b>	0.10	89:11	0.03
	0.20	93:7	0.05
	<b>0.50</b>	<b>92:8</b>	<b>0.07</b>
<b>HDBTA</b>	0.01	95:5	0.006
	0.025	93:7	0.012
	<b>0.1</b>	<b>92:8</b>	<b>0.023</b>

**Table S2.** Optimized chromatographic conditions

HPLC system	JASCO LC 4000 Plus
Column	C <sub>18</sub> silica monolithic column (RP18e, 100 × 4.6 mm, Merck-Chromolith high-resolution)
Column temperature	Ambient
Column modifier	<i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> -hexa(butyl)benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxamide (HBBTA) <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> -hexa(hexyl)benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxamide (HHBTA) <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> -hexa(octyl)benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxamide (HOBTA) <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>3</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> , <i>N</i> <sup>5</sup> -hexa(decyl)benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxamide (HDBTA)
Optimum probe content	0.17 mM HBBTA, 0.07 mM HHBTA & HOBTA, 0.023 mM HDBTA
Mobile phase	0.1 M of 2-hydroxyisobutyric acid ( $\alpha$ -HIBA, pH 2.5)
Mobile phase flow rate	1 mL/min
Sample volume	20 $\mu$ L
PCR	0.015 mM of Arsenazo(III) (pH 7.0)
PCR flow rate	1.5 mL/min
Detector	JASCO UV-4070
Wavelength	665 nm