

## Supplementary Information

### Keggin type heteropolyacid-mediated novel green protocol for the synthesis of porphyrins

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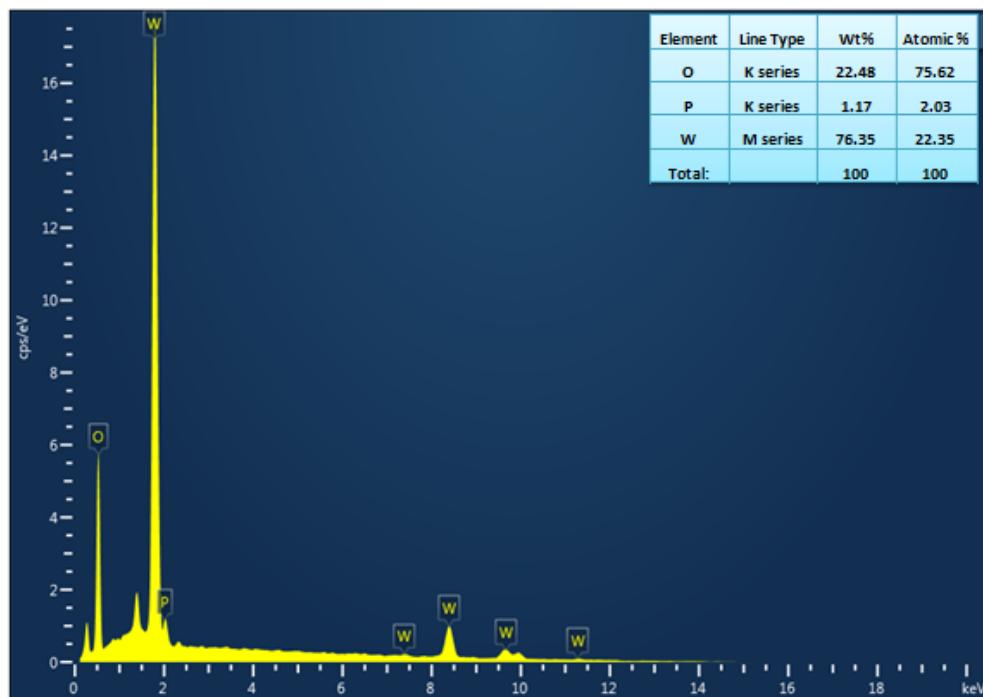
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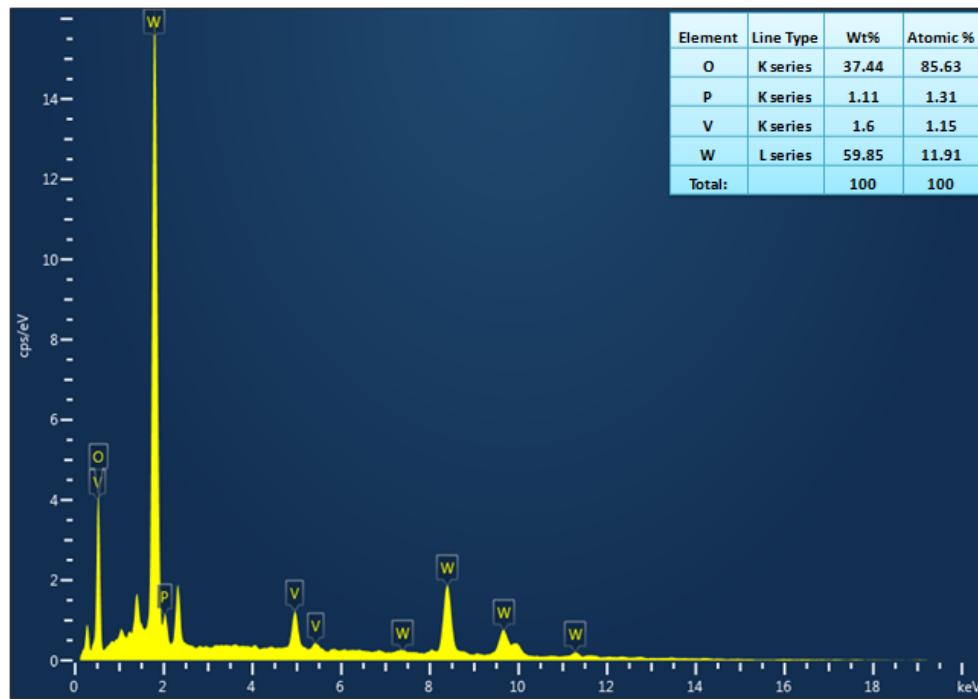
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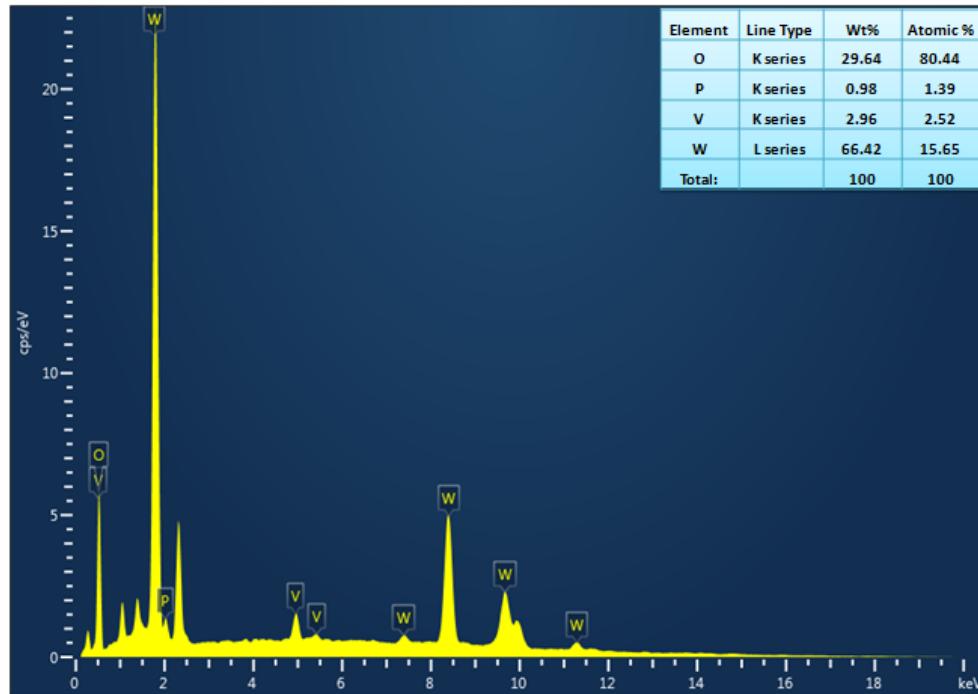
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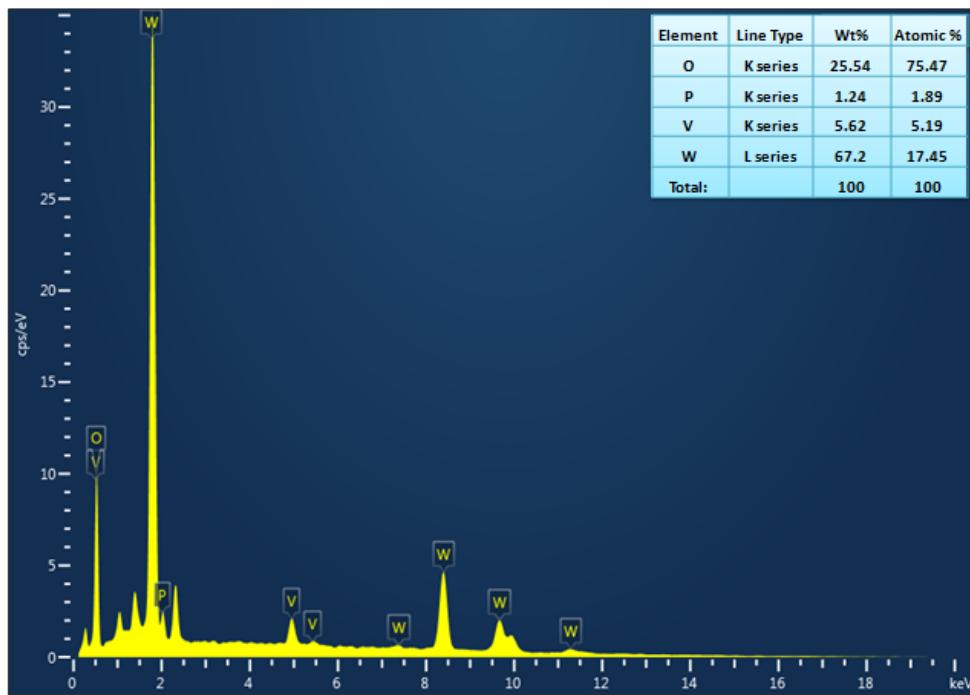
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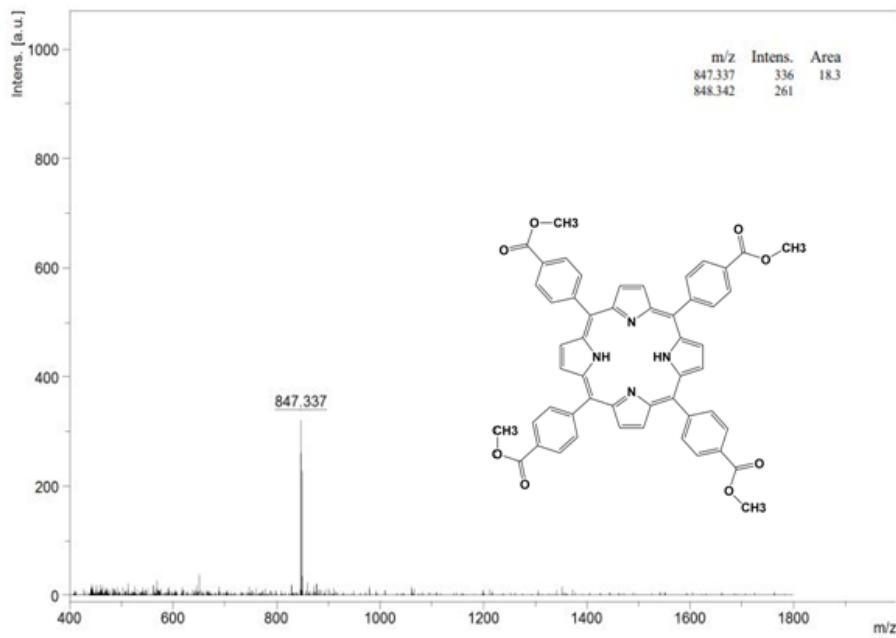
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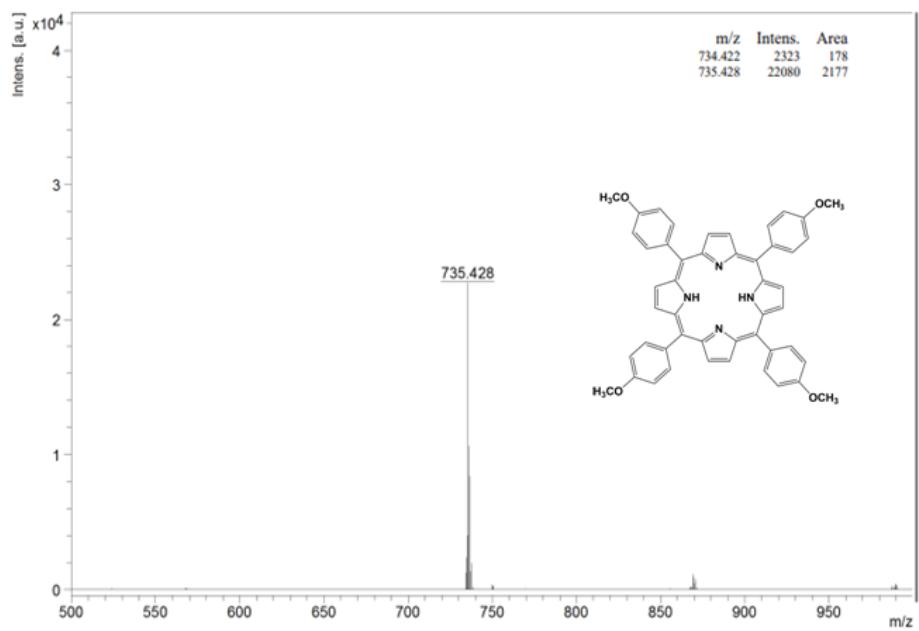


Fig. S2 (b) MALDI-TOF Mass spectrum of meso-Tetrakis(4-methoxyphenyl)porphyrin

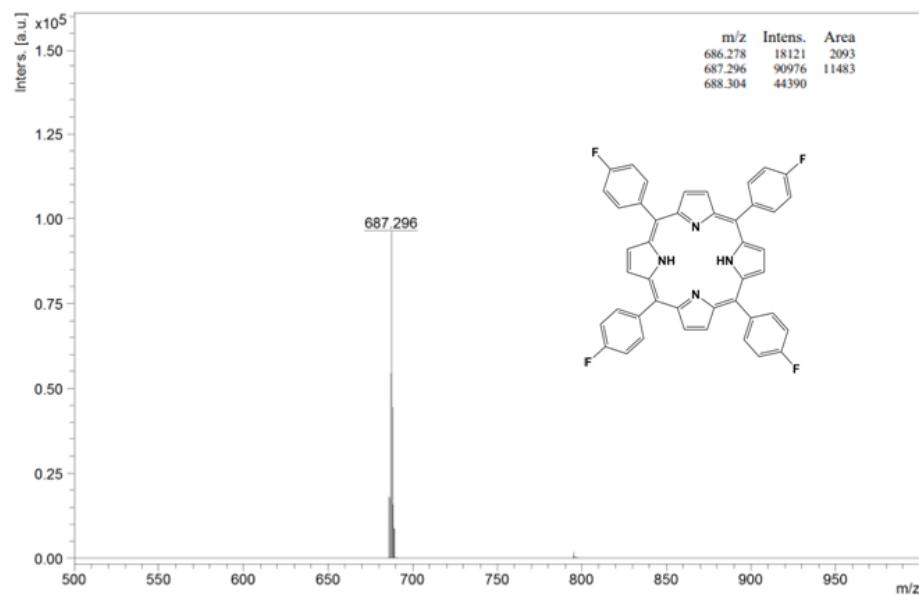
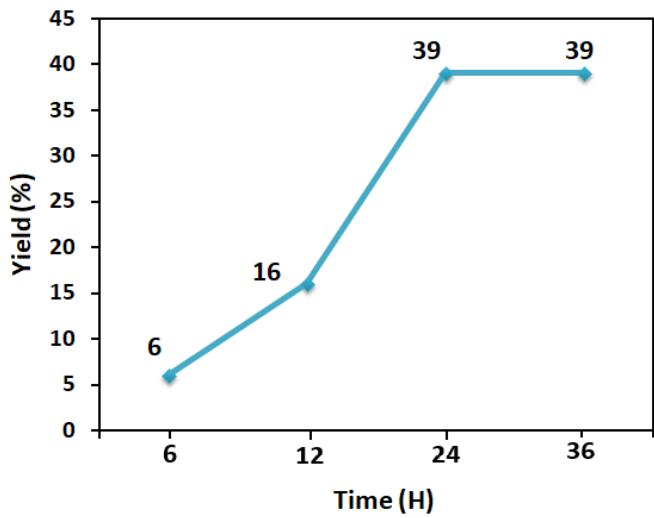
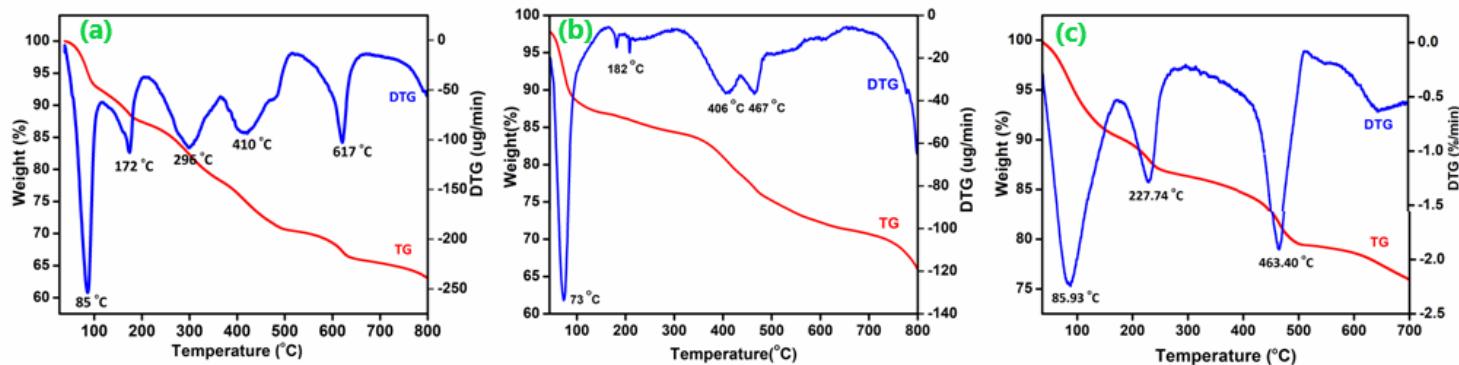


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**Fig. S3** Porphyrin yield monitored as a function of time

Reaction conditions: 1 mmol methyl 4-formylbenzoate, 1 mmol pyrrole, 10 mL  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ , 0.5 mol% catalyst, 70 °C, Autoclave.



**Fig. S4.** TG-DTG Curves of (a)  $\text{HPV}_1\text{W}$  (b)  $\text{HPV}_2\text{W}$  (c)  $\text{HPV}_3\text{W}$

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**Table S1 :** Comparative evaluation of catalytic activity

Si. No.	Aldehyde	Solvent	Reaction Conditions	Yield (%)	Ref
1		Pyridine	Solvent: Sealed tubes at 220 °C for 48 Hr.	10%	[2]
2			Catalyst: $\text{BF}_3$ -etherate (0.3Mm), Co catalyst: TFA (15 mM) Oxidant: DDQ in toluene, Time: 4 Hr	50-55%	[9]

3	Benzaldehyde	Dichloromethane	Catalyst: $10^{-2}$ M $\text{BF}_3\text{-O}(\text{Et})_3$ 0.1 eqv. NaCl or 0.0031 eqv . $\text{Bu}_3\text{BzINCl}$ ,	50%	[10]
4		Dichloromethane	Acid: $\text{BF}_3$ -etherate/NaCl (1/250) mM, Oxidant- DDQ, Time-1 Hr.	58%	[11]
5		Dichloromethane	Catalyst: $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}$ , $\text{N}_2$ atmosphere, Aerated at 39 °C for 4 Hr.	62%	[13]
7			Acid: Toluenesulfonic acid, 1:1 molar ratio of pyrrole and benzaldehyde (3.73 mmol) and Toluenesulfonic acidground in Retsch MM 200 MILL at a frequency of 25 Hz. Pink solid dissolved in 50 mL $\text{CHCl}_3$ , Oxidant: DDQ, 2 Hr stirring.	28%	[16]
8			High temperature gas phase conditions: Temperature controlled sand bath, 200 °C, Dioxygen as Oxidant	23%	[18]
9			High temperature gas phase conditions: Gas tight rubber septem, Temperature controlled sand bath, Dioxygen as Oxidant, Catalyst: Benzoic acid, 200 °C	32%	[19]
10		Propionic acid	Nitrobenzene oxidant, Microwave irradiation-650W, 200 °C, 3 bar internal pressure, 5-10 min.	35%	[23]
11			Catalyst: 0.2 eqv.of $\text{I}_2$ , Reagent concentration: $10^{-2}$ mol/L, Microwave irradiation, Solvent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , Oxidant: <i>p</i> -Chloranil (0.75 eqv).	35-47%	[25]
12		Propionic acid	Nitrobenzene oxidant, Microwave irradiation, 5 min, 640 W.	20%	[26]
13		Dichloromethane	Acid ionic liquid ( $\text{R-SO}_3\text{H}$ - 3 mL), Oxidant: DDQ (14.5 mM), Quencher: Triethylamine, RT.	43%	[28]
14		Ionic liquid: [HC <sub>4</sub> im][CF <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> ]	Reactants: 280 mM, 120 °C, 1 Hr	15%	[30]
15		Ionic liquid: [HC <sub>1</sub> im][CF <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> ]	Reactants: 280 mM ,120 °C, 1 Hr.	8%	[31]
16		Acetonitrile	Catalyst: $\text{H}_4\text{PVW}_{11}\text{O}_{40}$ , Autoclaving at 70 °C.	20%	This Work
17		Dichloromethane	Catalyst: $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}$ , $\text{N}_2$ atmosphere, Aerated at 39 °C for 3 Hr.	56%	[13]
18		Propionic acid: glacial acetic acid	Nitrobenzene oxidant, Reflux for 2 Hr.	50%	[14]
19			Acid: Toluenesulfonic acid, 1:1 molar ratio of pyrrole and 4-chloro Benzaldehyde (3.73 mmol) and Toluenesulfonic acidground in Retsch MM		

			200 MILL at a frequency of 25 Hz. Pink solid dissolved in 50 mL CHCl <sub>3</sub> , Oxidant: DDQ, 2 Hr stirring.	20%	[16]
20	4-Chlorobenzaldehyde		High temperature gas phase conditions: Temperature controlled sand bath, 200 °C, Dioxygen as Oxidant	10%	[18]
21			High-temperature gas-phase conditions: Gas-tight rubber septum, Temperature controlled sand bath, Dioxygen as Oxidant, Catalyst: Benzoic acid, 200 °C.	25%	[19]
22		Propionic acid	Microwave irradiation 3 -5 min, extraction with CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (100 mL).	7%	[22]
23		propionic acid	10 mmol pyrrole (3.5 mL)+ Nitrobenzene (1.5 mL), microwave irradiation, 5 min, 640 W	21%	[26]
24		Dichloromethane	Catalyst: activated FSM-16, N <sub>2</sub> atmosphere, Oxidant- <i>p</i> -chloranil, Reflux 1-2 Hr.	7%	[34]
25		Acetonitrile	Catalyst: H <sub>4</sub> PVW <sub>11</sub> O <sub>40</sub> , Autoclaving 70 °C.	27%	This Work
26			Acid: Toluenesulfonic acid, 1:1 molar ratio of pyrrole and 4-Fluoro benzaldehyde (3.73 mmol) and Toluenesulfonic acid ground in Retsch MM 200 MILL at a frequency of 25 Hz. Pink solid dissolved in 50 mL CHCl <sub>3</sub> , Oxidant: DDQ, 2 Hr stirring.	9.7%	[16]
27	4-Fluorobenzaldehyde	Acetonitrile	Catalyst: H <sub>4</sub> PVW <sub>11</sub> O <sub>40</sub> , Autoclaving 70 °C.	29%	This Work
28		Dichloromethane	Catalyst: 10 <sup>-2</sup> M BF <sub>3</sub> -O(Et) <sub>3</sub> 0.1 eqv. NaCl or 0.0031 eqv. Bu <sub>3</sub> BzINCl,	22%	[10]
29		Propionic acid	Oxidizing agent : Nitrobenzene (15 ml), 120 °C, 1 Hr	45%	[12]
30			High temperature gas phase conditions: Temperature controlled sand bath, 200 °C, Dioxygen as Oxidant	20%	[18]
31			High temperature gas phase conditions: Gas tight rubber septem, Temperature controlled sand bath, Dioxygen as Oxidant, Catalyst: Benzoic acid, 200 °C	25%	[19]
32			Catalyst: Activated charcoal treated with conc. nitric acid (68%), Temperature Controlled Sand Bath, 200 °C, 1 Hr.	33%	[20]
			Reactants: 0.1 mol pyrrole, Microwave irradiation		

33		Propionic acid	3 -5 min, Extraction with CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (100 mL).	15%	[22]
34		Ionic liquid: [HC <sub>4</sub> im][CF <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> ]	Reactants : 280 mM, 120 °C, 1 Hr.	6.7%	[30]
35		Dichloromethane	Catalyst: activated FSM-16, N <sub>2</sub> atmosphere, Oxidant- <i>p</i> -chloranil, Reflux 1-2 Hr.	Trace amount	[34]
36		Acetonitrile	Catalyst: H <sub>4</sub> PVW <sub>11</sub> O <sub>40</sub> , Autoclaving at 70 °C.	12%	This Work
37	4-Formylbenzoic acid	Propionic acid	Reactants: 0.24 M Pyrrole, Methanol/Pyridine, Refluxing Condition, 2 Hr.	34%	[5]
38		Acetonitrile	Catalyst: H <sub>4</sub> PVW <sub>11</sub> O <sub>40</sub> , Autoclaving at 70 °C.	26%	This Work
39	Methyl 4-formylbenzoate		High temperature gas phase conditions: Gas tight rubber septum, Temperature controlled sand bath, Dioxygen as Oxidant, Catalyst: Benzoic acid, 200 °C.	19%	[19]
40		Acetonitrile	Catalyst: H <sub>4</sub> PVW <sub>11</sub> O <sub>40</sub> , Autoclaving 70 °C.	39%	This Work
41	1-Naphthaldehyde		Acid: Toluenesulfonic acid, 1:1 molar ratio of pyrrole and 1-Naphthaldehyde (3.73 mmol) and Toluenesulfonic acid ground in Retsch MM 200 MILL at a frequency of 25 Hz. Pink solid dissolved in 50 mL CHCl <sub>3</sub> , Oxidant: DDQ, 2 Hr stirring.	9.7%	[16]
42		Acetonitrile	Catalyst: H <sub>4</sub> PVW <sub>11</sub> O <sub>40</sub> , Autoclaving 70 °C.	14%	This Work

**Table S2** Influence of temperature on porphyrin yield

Entry	Temperature (°C)	Yield (%)
1.	50	15
2.	60	23
3.	70	39
4.	80	27

*Reaction conditions:* 1 mmol methyl 4-formylbenzoate, 1 mmol pyrrole, 10 mL CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 0.5 mol% catalyst, Autoclave

**Table S3** Screening the catalytic activity of various HPAs

Entry	HPA	Yield (%)
1.	HPW	10
2.	HPV <sub>1</sub> W	39
3.	HPV <sub>2</sub> W	15
4.	HPV <sub>3</sub> W	18

*Reaction conditions: 1 mmol methyl 4-formylbenzoate,  
1 mmol pyrrole, 10 mL CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 0.5 mol% catalyst, 70 °C, Autoclave*

### 3. Supplementary Data

#### S1 : <sup>1</sup>H & <sup>13</sup>C NMR of synthesized porphyrins

Tetraphenylporphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.86 (s, 8H), 8.22 (m, 8H), 7.77 (m, 12H), -2.75 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 142.28, 134.61, 127.82, 126.80, 120.25. [1, 2, 3]

meso-Tetra(4-chlorophenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.83 (s, 8H), 8.13 (d, 8H), 7.73 (d, 8H), -2.88 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 140.44, 135.58, 134.48, 127.13, 119.07. [1]

meso-Tetrakis(4-carboxyphenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): 10.03 (s, 4H, COOH), 8.83 (s, 8H), 8.38 (d, 8H), 8.32 (d, 8H), -2.93 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO): δ (ppm) 173.06, 151.52, 140.33, 136.58, 133.72, 125.42. [4]

meso-Tetrakis(4-methoxycarbonylphenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.81 (s, 8H), 8.43 (d, 8H), 8.27 (d, 8H), 4.10 (s, 12H), -2.83 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 167.34, 146.70, 134.61, 129.84, 128.09, 119.48, 52.59, 29.80, 27.34. [1]

meso-Tetrakis(4-methoxyphenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.82 (s, 8H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 8H), 7.27 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 8H), 4.11 (s, 12H), -2.77 (s, 2H, NH) [1]

meso-Tetra(4-fluorophenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.84 (s, 8H), 8.17 (s, 8H), 7.47 (s, 8H), -2.81 (s, 2H, NH). [5]

meso-Tetrakis(2,5-dimethylphenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.67 (s, 8H), 7.47 (d, 8H), 7.25 (s, 4H), 2.53 (s, 12 H), 1.98 (s, 12H), -2.66 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 141.42, 139.39, 136.64, 135.12, 133.35, 128.81, 119.01, 114.23, 29.47, 22.80, 14.29

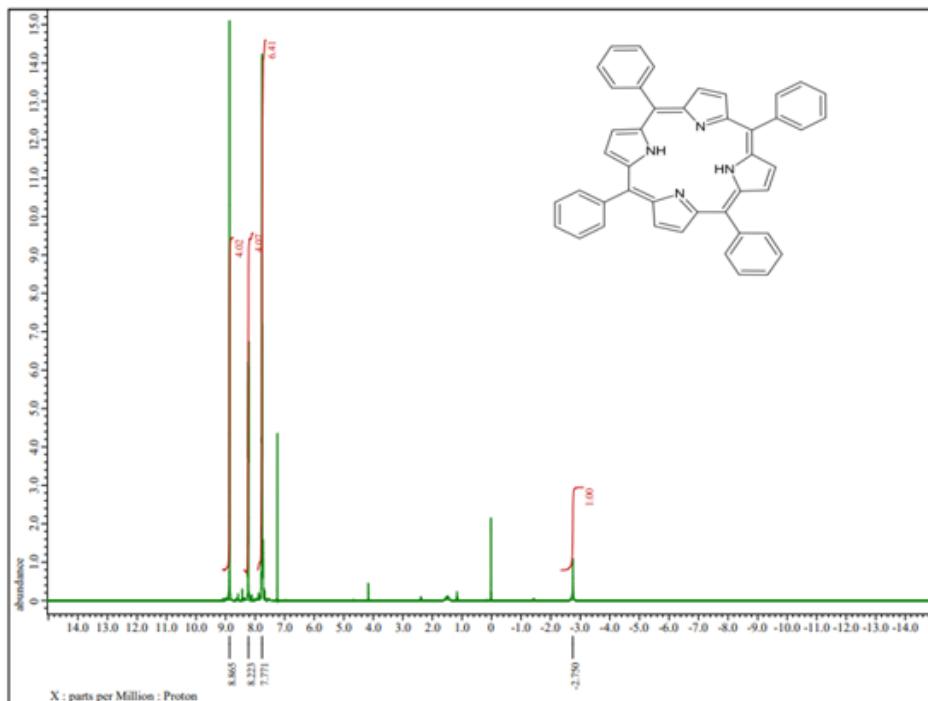
meso-Tetrakis(4-ethynylphenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 8.88 (s, 8H), 8.19 (d, 8H), 7.91 (d, 8H), 3.35 (s, 4H), -2.82 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (ppm) 148.16, 139.87, 136.14, 134.57, 77.41

meso-Tetrakis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dichlorophenyl)porphyrin: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): 9.87 (s, 4H, OH), 8.88 (s, 8H), 8.31 (s, 4H), 7.88 (s, 4H), -2.86 (s, 2H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO): δ (ppm) 197.01, 169.83, 137.77, 137.19, 135.46, 120.68, 119.34, 62.89, 61.19, 43

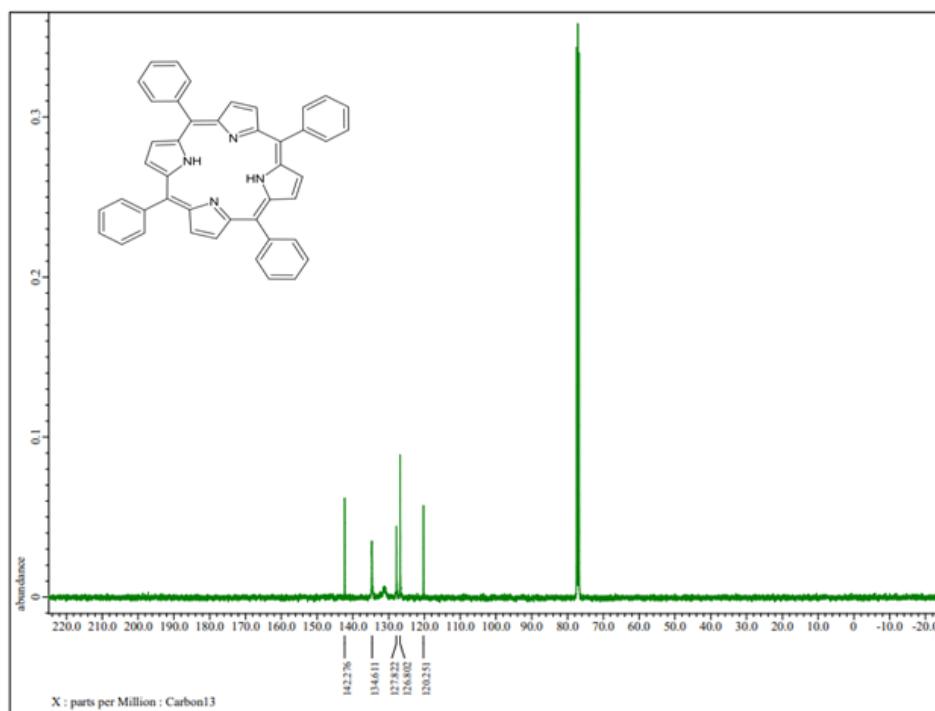
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Tetraphenylporphyrin:

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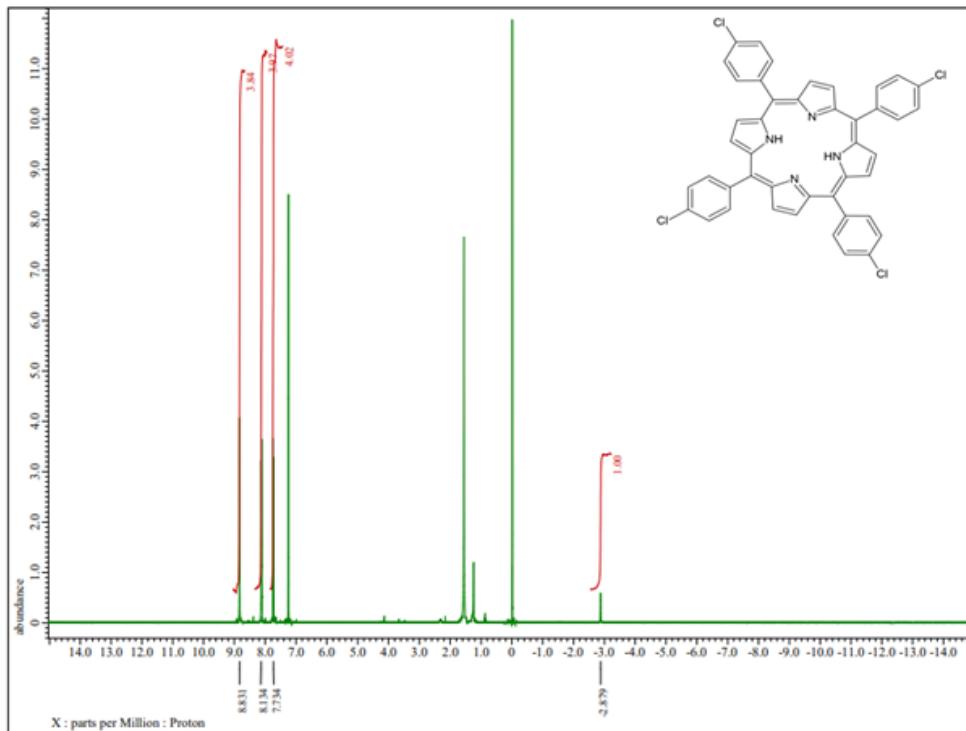


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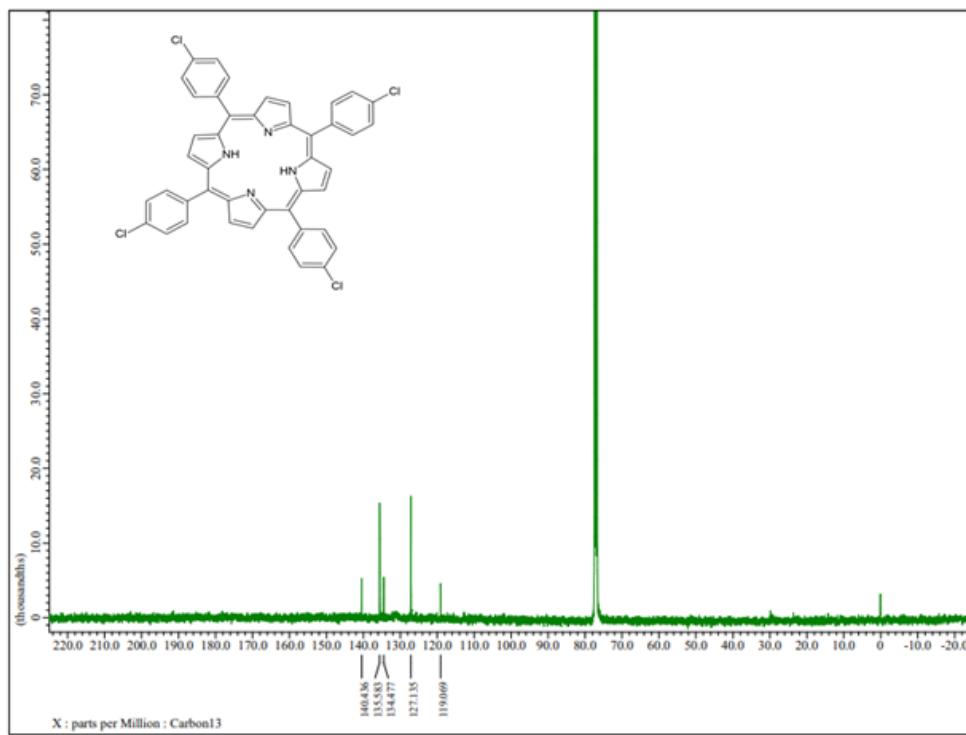


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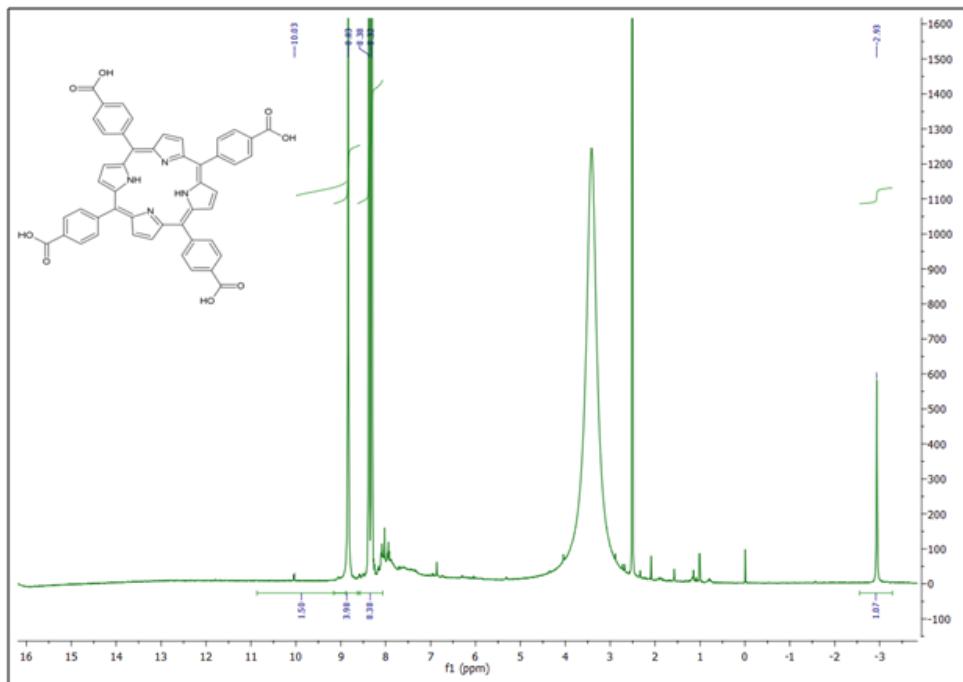


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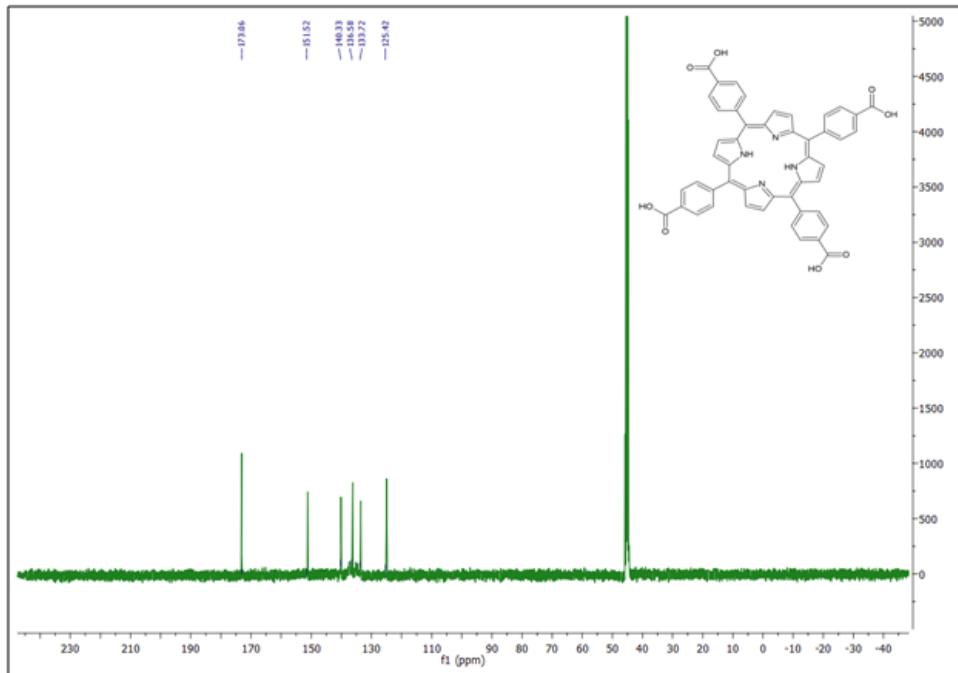


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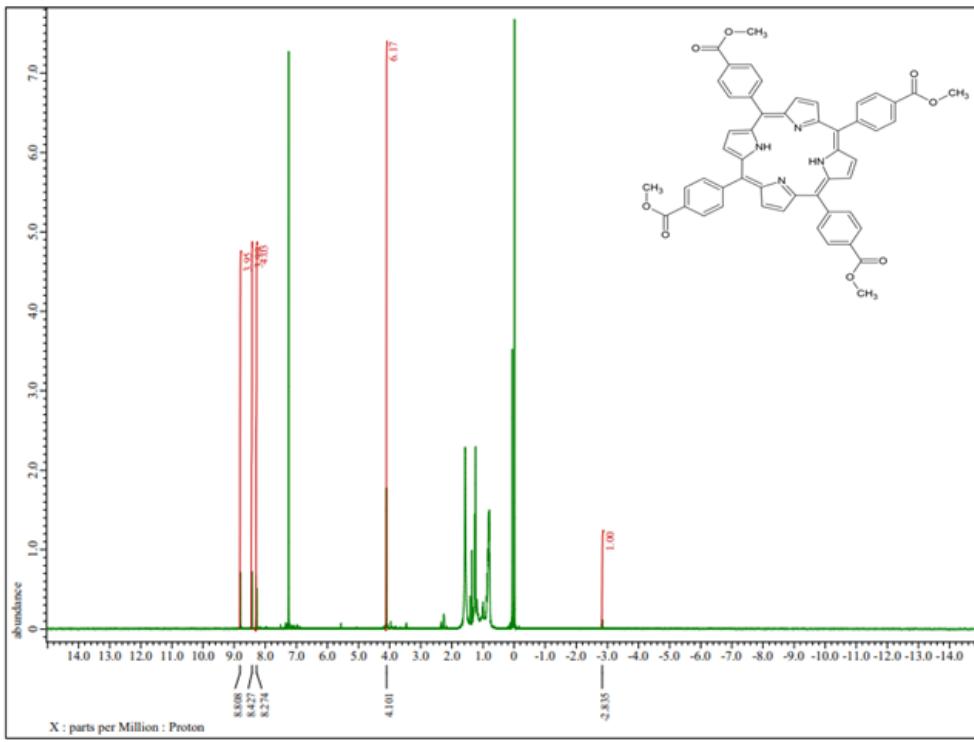


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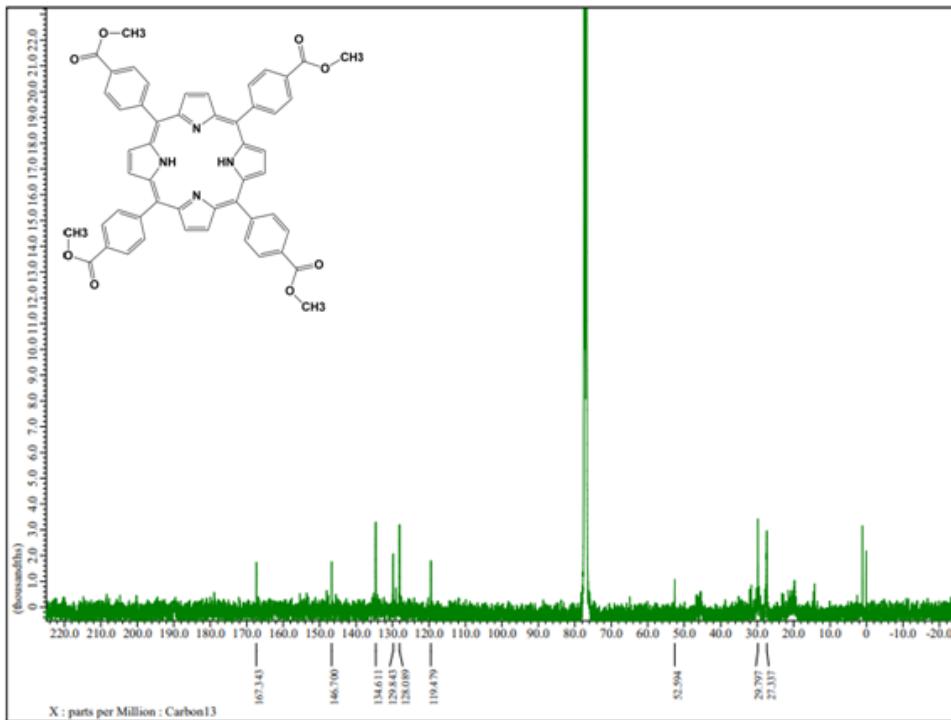


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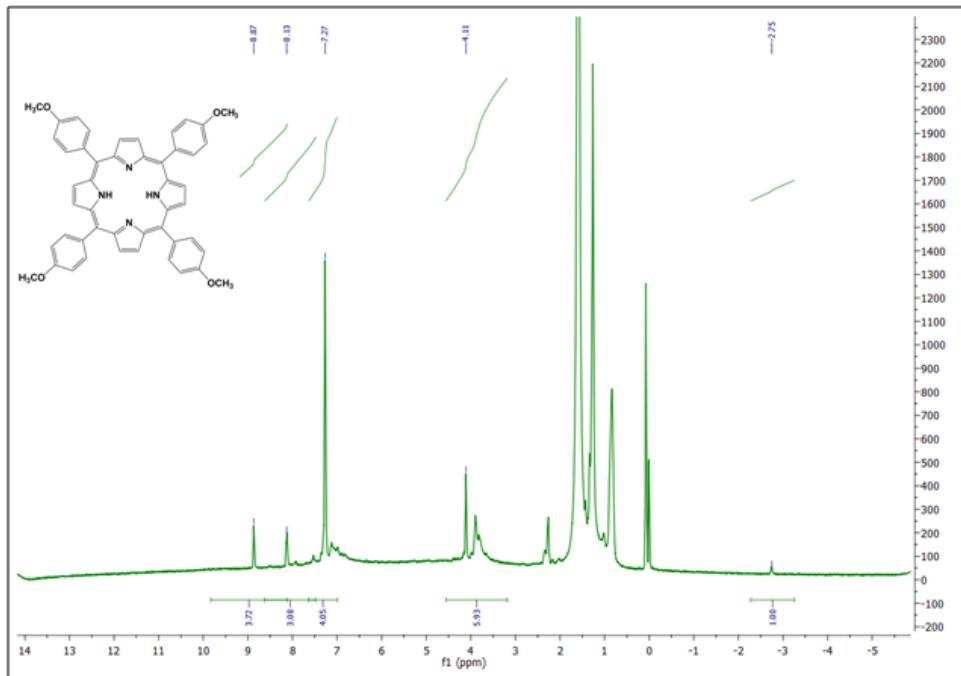


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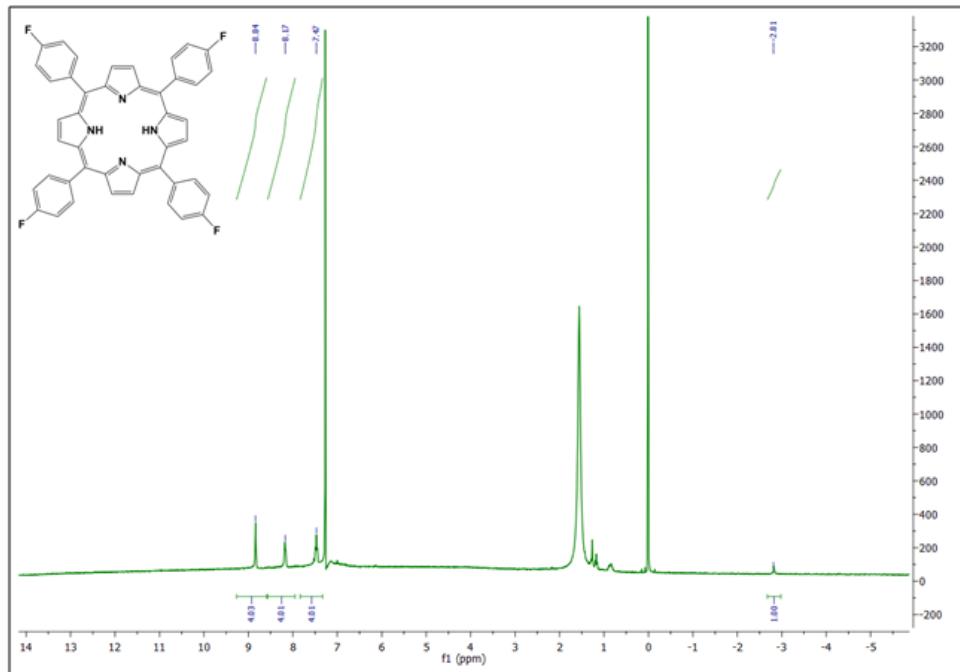
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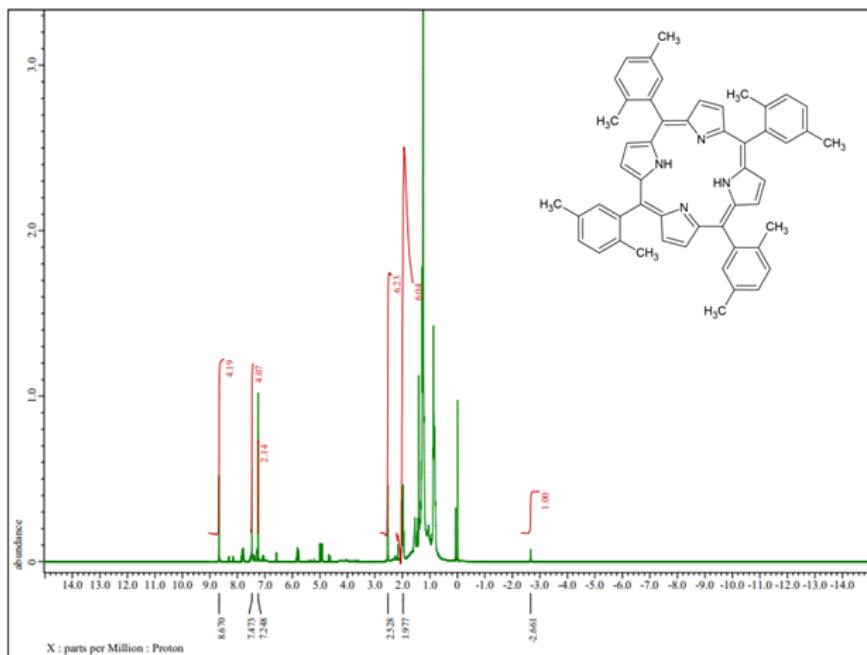
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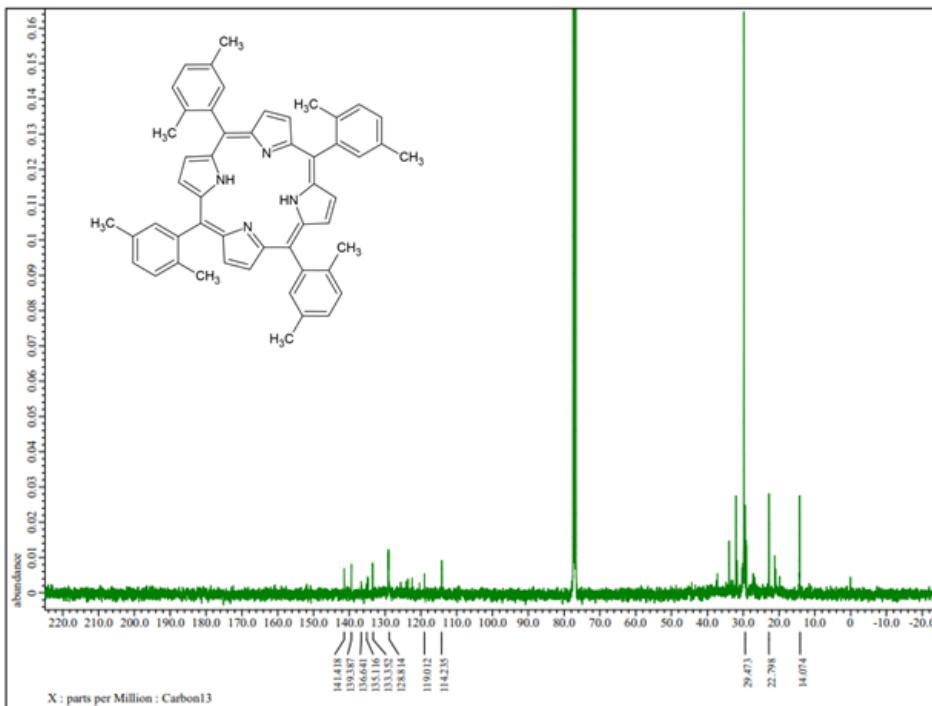


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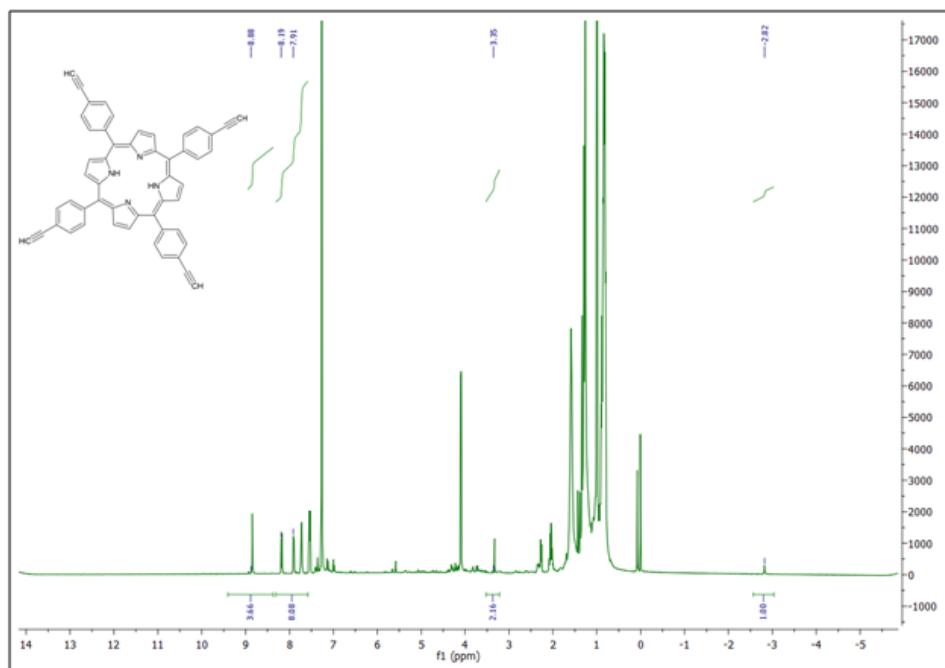


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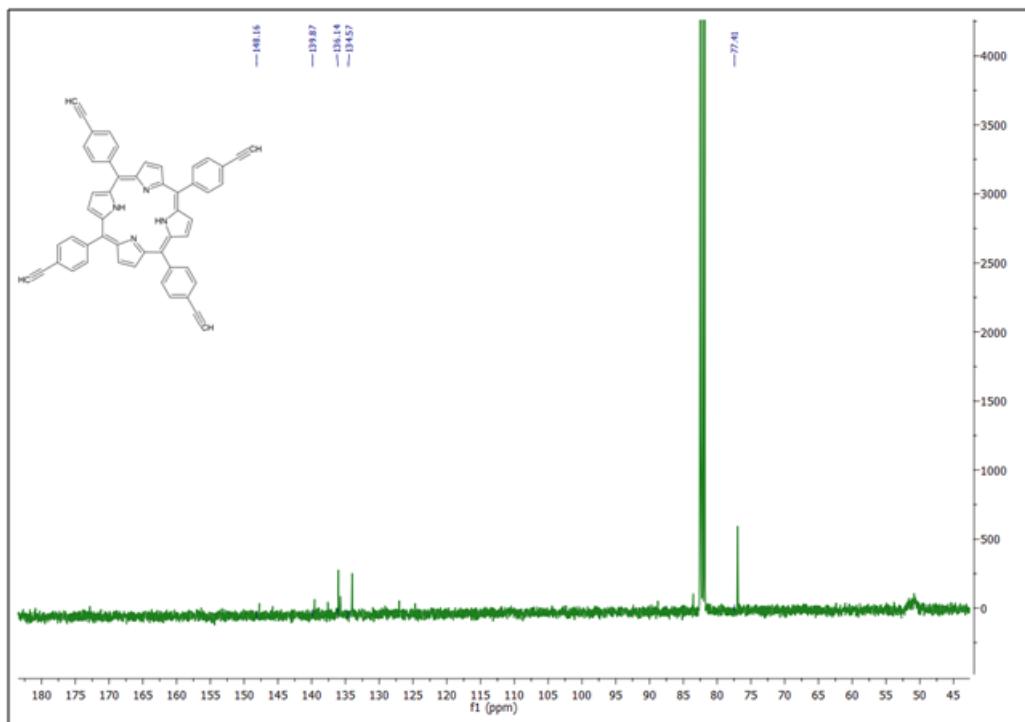


meso-Tetrakis(4-ethynylphenyl)porphyrin

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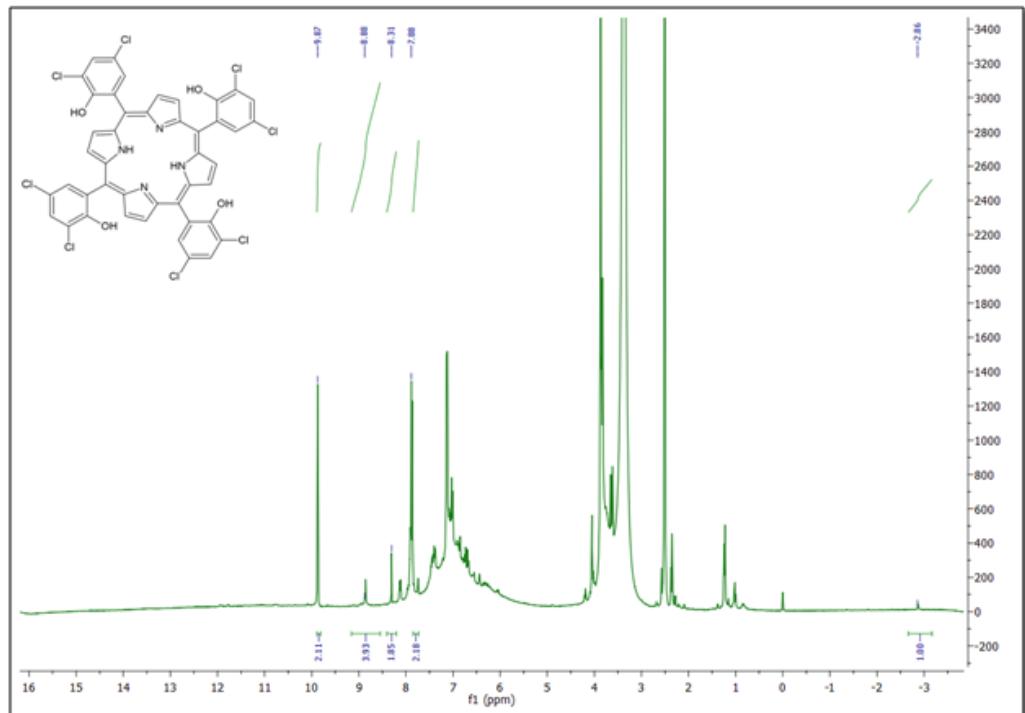


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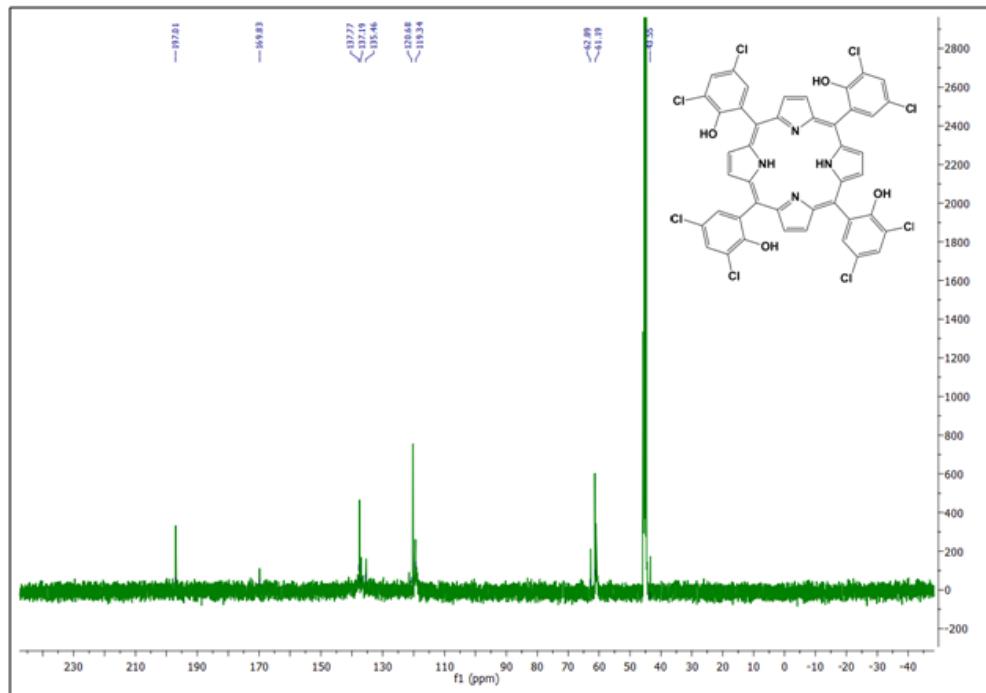


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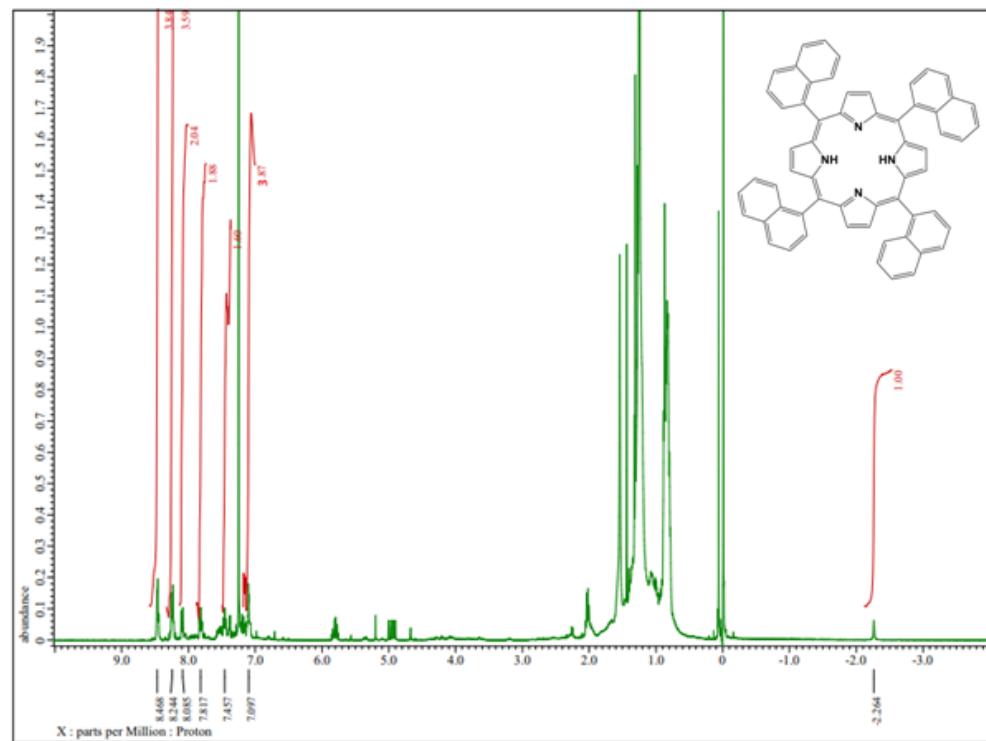


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meso-Tetrakis(1-naphthyl)porphyrin:

<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum



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