

Supplementary Information

Synthesis, Kinetic Studies, and Atom Transfer

Reactivity of [2Fe-2E] (E = S, Se) Model

Compounds

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Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement details for **1** and **2**.

	1	2
Empirical formula	C ₅₀ H ₆₅ Fe ₂ N ₄ Se ₂	C ₅₀ H ₆₅ Fe ₂ N ₄ Se ₂
Formula weight	898.89	991.68
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	<i>P</i> 2 ₁
<i>a</i> /Å	13.6176(8)	10.2202(5)
<i>b</i> /Å	16.6881(9)	18.5554(8)
<i>c</i> /Å	21.1555(10)	13.4719(5)
<i>a</i> /°	90	90
<i>b</i> /°	90	111.726(3)
<i>g</i> /°	90	90
<i>V</i> /Å ³	4807.6	2373.33(18)
<i>Z</i>	4	2
<i>D</i> _{calcd} , g cm ⁻³	1.242	1.388
<i>F</i> (000)	1912.0	1026.0
Temp, K	100	100
<i>R</i> (<i>F</i>), %	6.95	5.93
<i>R</i> _w (<i>F</i>), %	17.26	14.01

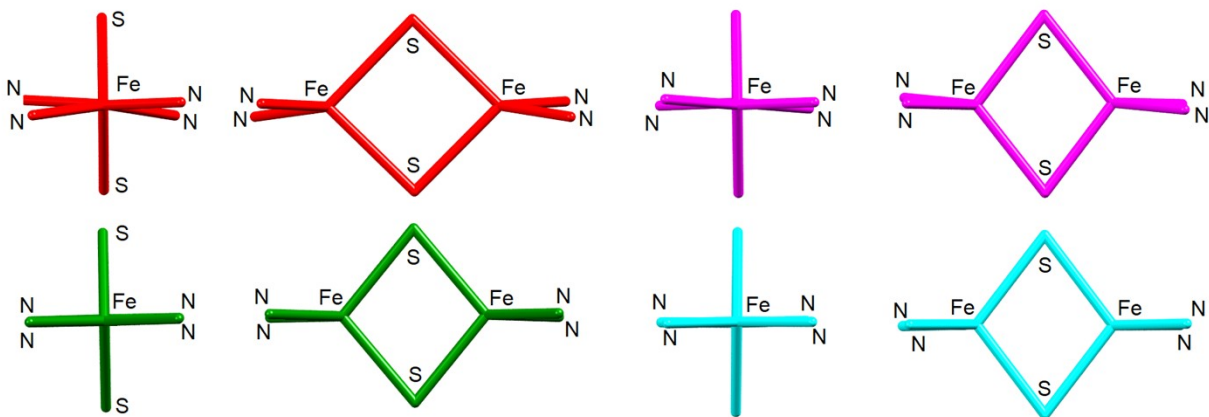


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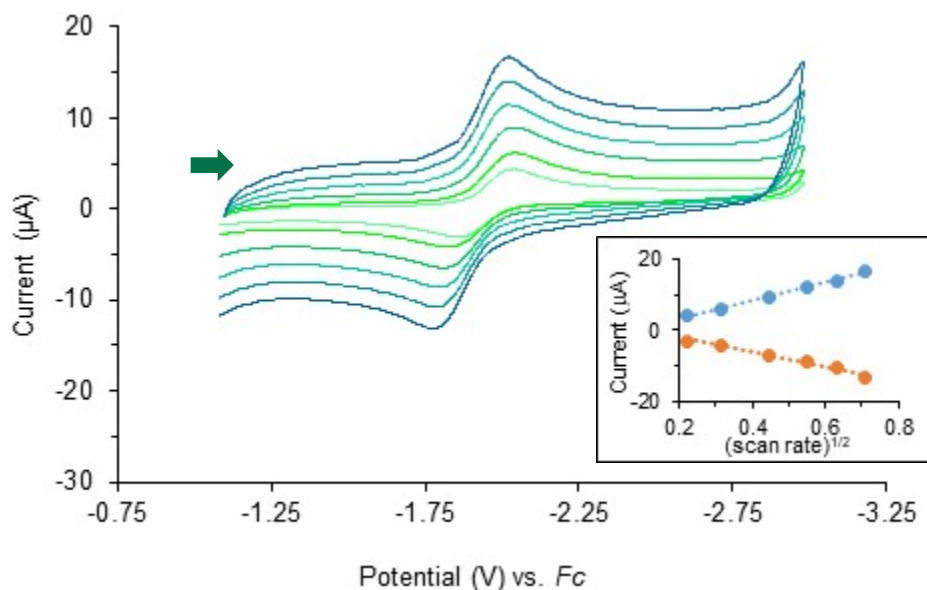


Figure S2. Overlaid cyclic voltammograms of **2** (1mM) in THF with 0.1 M $N(Bu)_4PF_6$. Scan rates = 50, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500 mV/s referenced to a ferrocene/ferrocenium redox couple (Fc). Inset: Plot of cathodic peak current (\bullet , $R^2 = 0.9911$) and anodic peak current (\blacklozenge , $R^2 = 0.9834$) versus square root of scan rate.

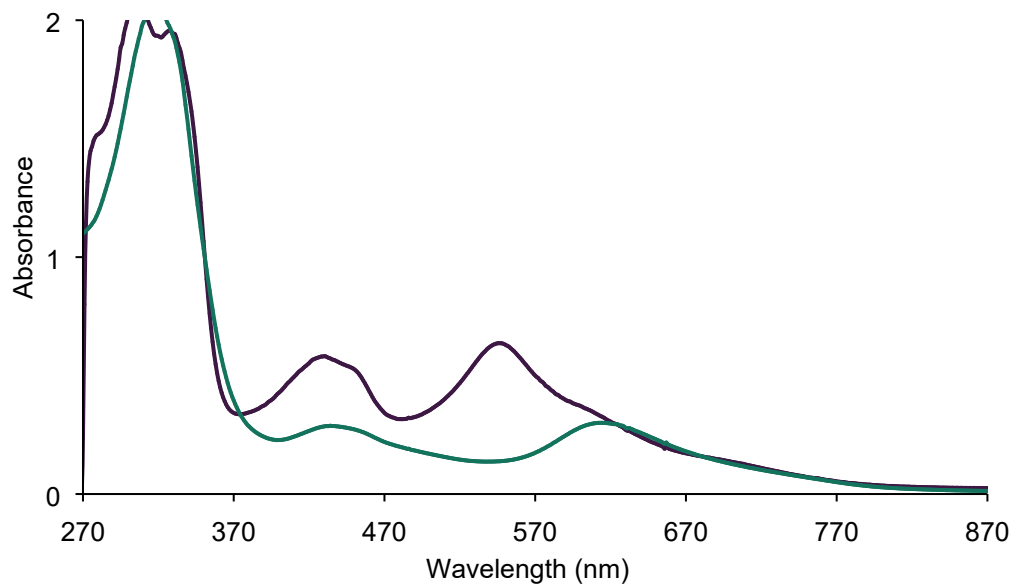


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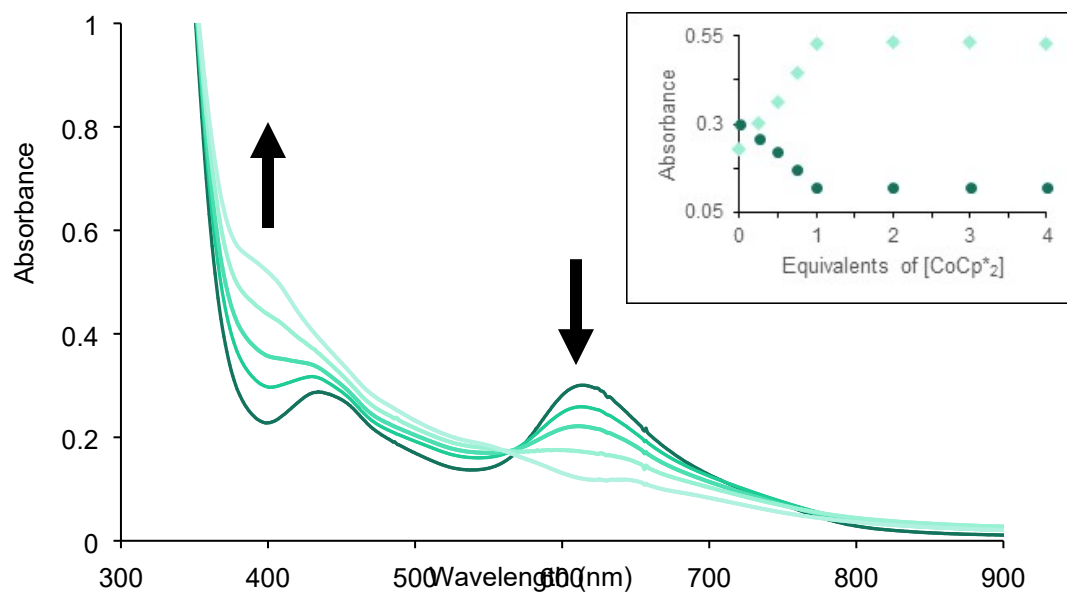


Figure S4. Reduction of 0.1 mM **2** in THF by addition of CoCp*₂ in increments of 0.25 equiv as monitored by UV-vis spectroscopy (path length, 1.0 cm). Inset: Corresponding changes of the absorbance at 396 (◆) and 614 (●) nm.

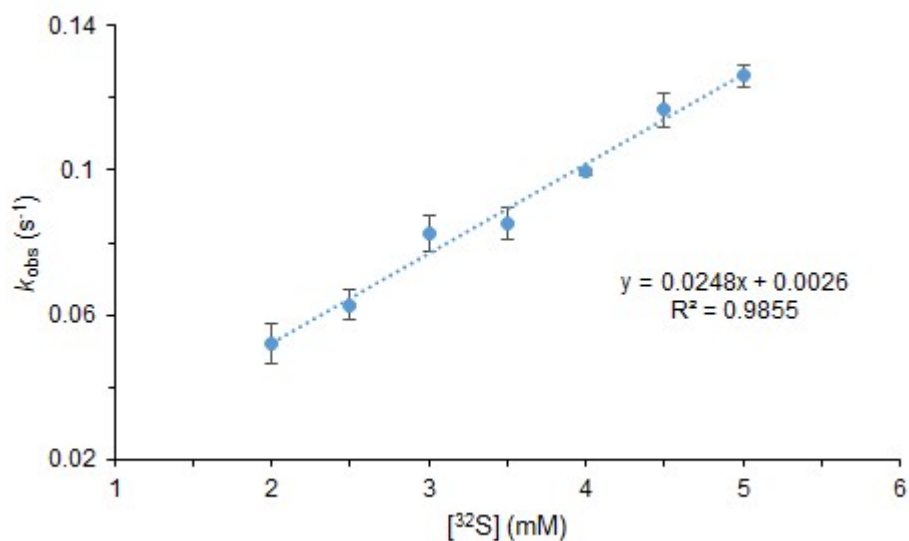


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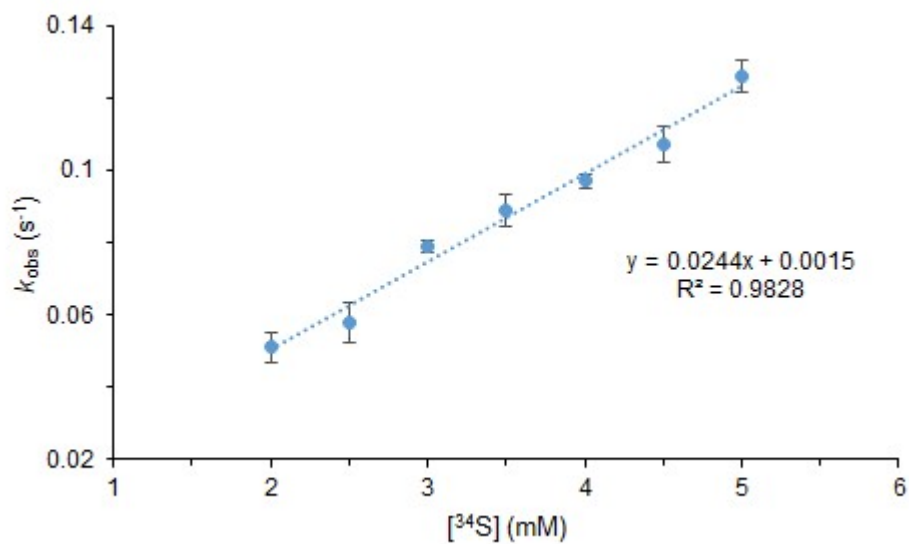


Figure S6. Plot of observed pseudo-first order rate constants, k_{obs} , versus concentration of $^{34}\text{S}_8$ at 25 °C. The slope corresponds to the second-order rate constants.

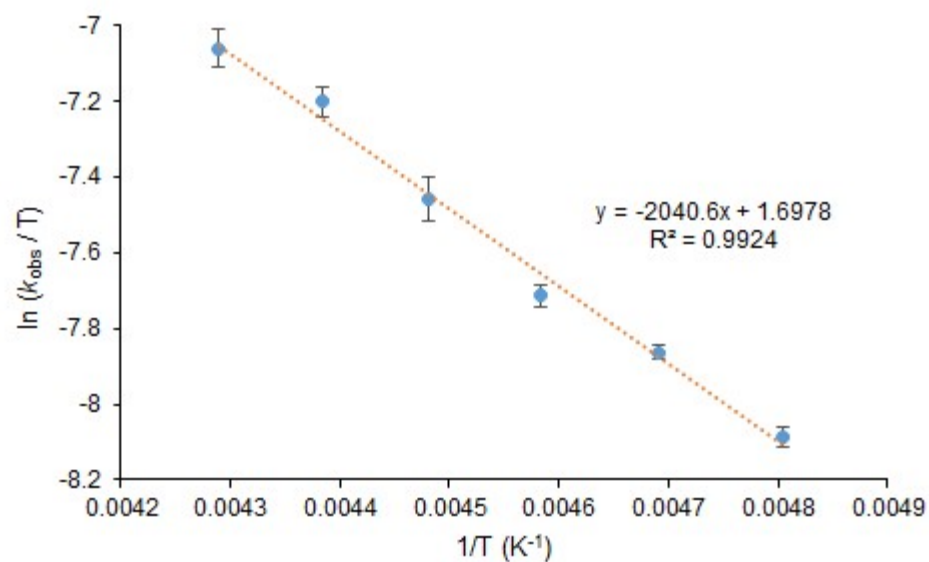
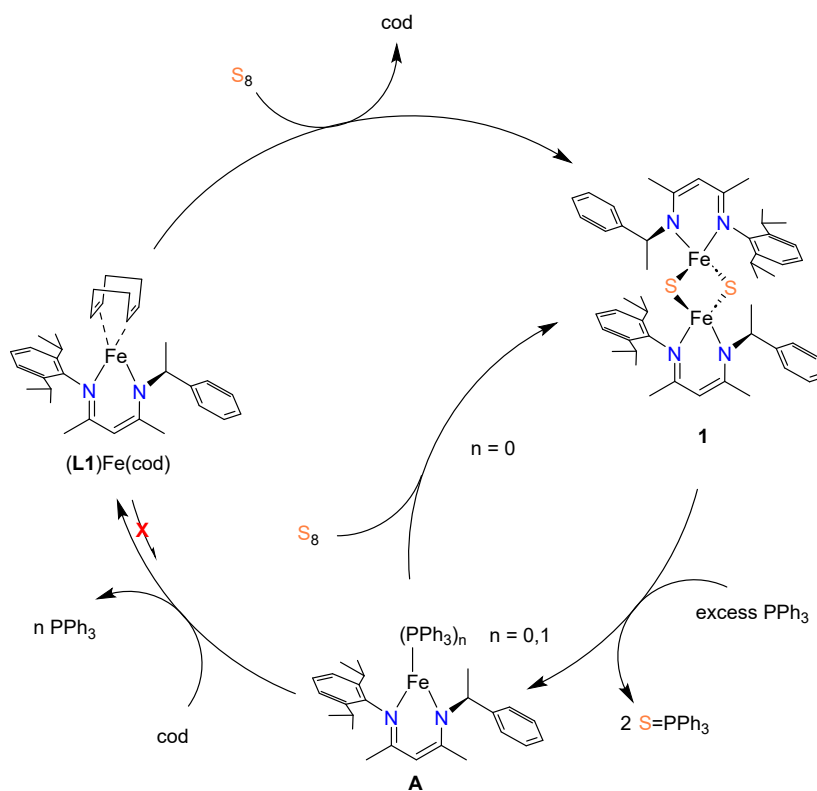


Figure S7. Eyring plot for the formation of **1** by treating **(L1)Fe(cod)** with $^{32}\text{S}_8$ to in toluene.

Scheme S1. The proposed catalytic cycle of S atom transfer reaction in the presence of **(L1)Fe(cod)** and excess S_8 and PPh_3 . Note: **(L1)Fe(cod)** does not convert to **A** in the presence of 10 equiv of PPh_3 according to the reaction monitored by ^1H NMR spectroscopy.



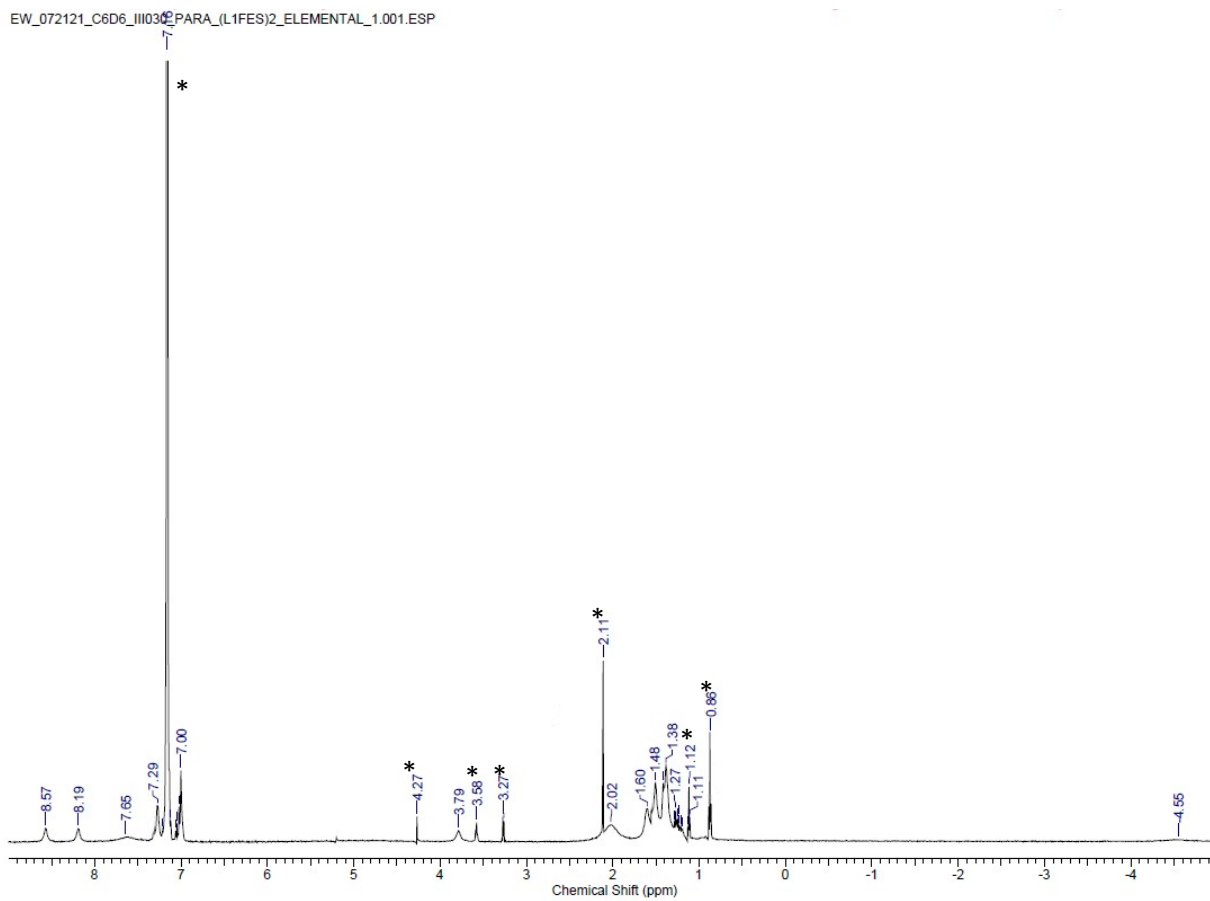


Figure S8. ¹H NMR spectrum of **1** in C₆D₆. * solvent residual peaks (δ): DCM (4.27), THF (3.85), Et₂O (3.27, 1.12), toluene (2.11), and n-pentane (0.86).¹

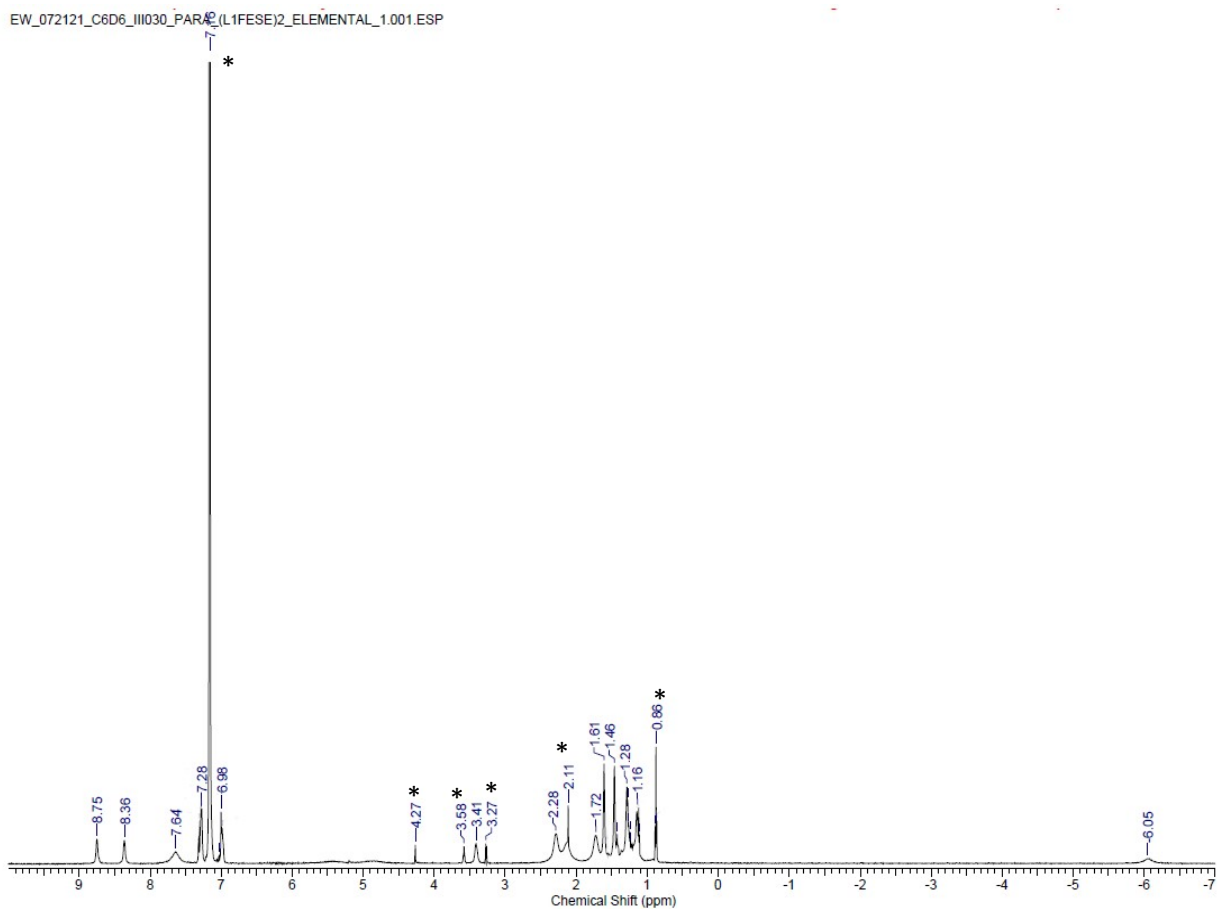


Figure S9. ^1H NMR spectrum of **2** in C_6D_6 . * solvent residual peaks (δ): DCM (4.27), THF (3.85), Et_2O (3.27), toluene (2.11), and n-pentane (0.86).¹

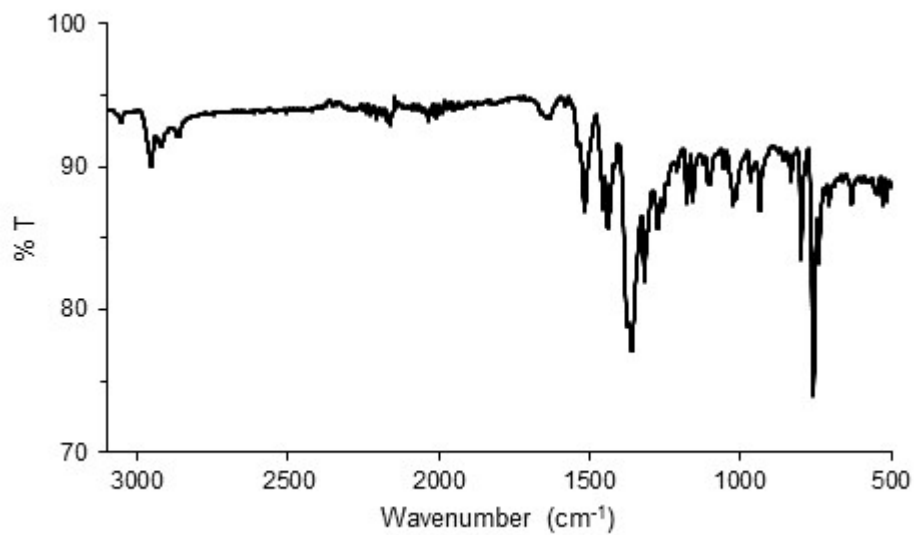


Figure S10. IR spectrum of **1**.

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