

# Supporting Information

## Promoting Uniform Zinc Coatings through the Use of Quaternary Ammonium Salts based on Phthalimide as Electroplating Additives

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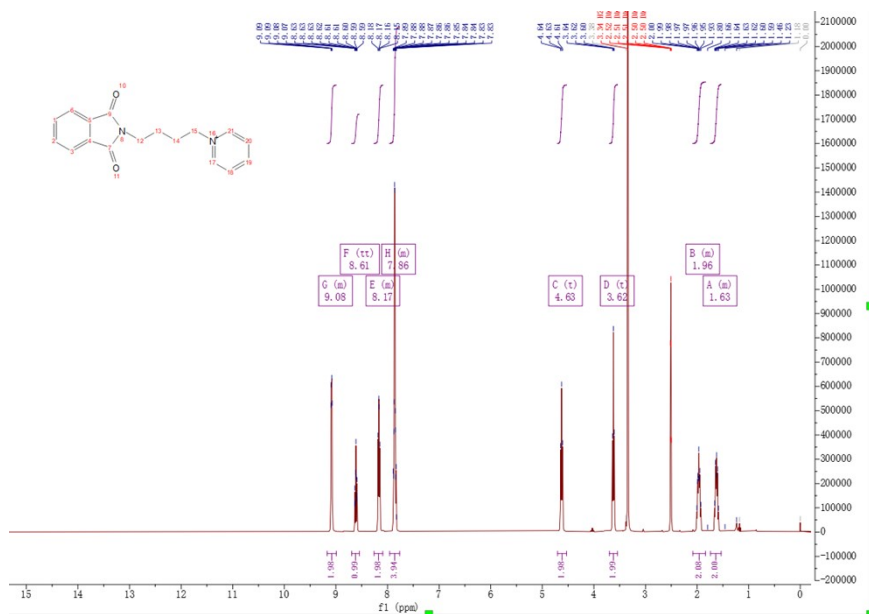
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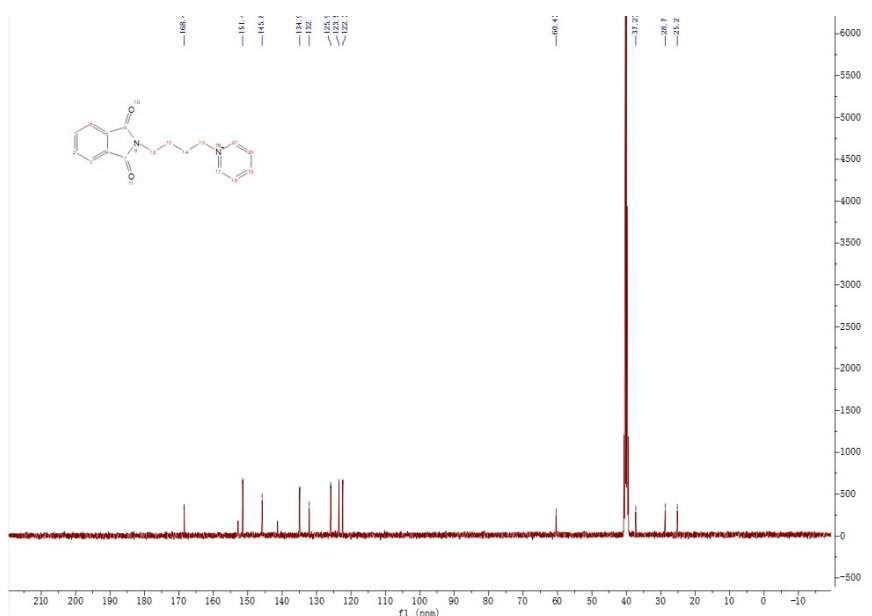
## 1. $^1\text{H}$ NMR, $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR and mass spectral information of the compound

**Compound P11:** yield: 58%  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.12-9.04 (m, 2H), 8.61 (tt,  $J = 7.8$ , 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20-8.12 (m, 2H), 7.90 – 7.81 (m, 4H), 4.63 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.62 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.05 – 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.70 – 1.53 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  151.46, 145.82, 134.90, 125.90, 123.51, 122.38, 37.27.

**Fig. S1**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound P11

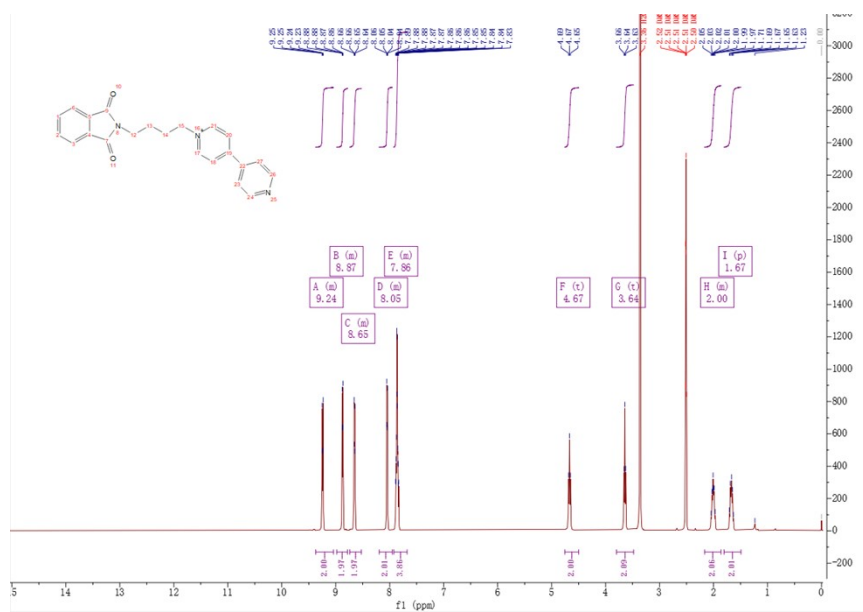


**Fig. S2**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound P11

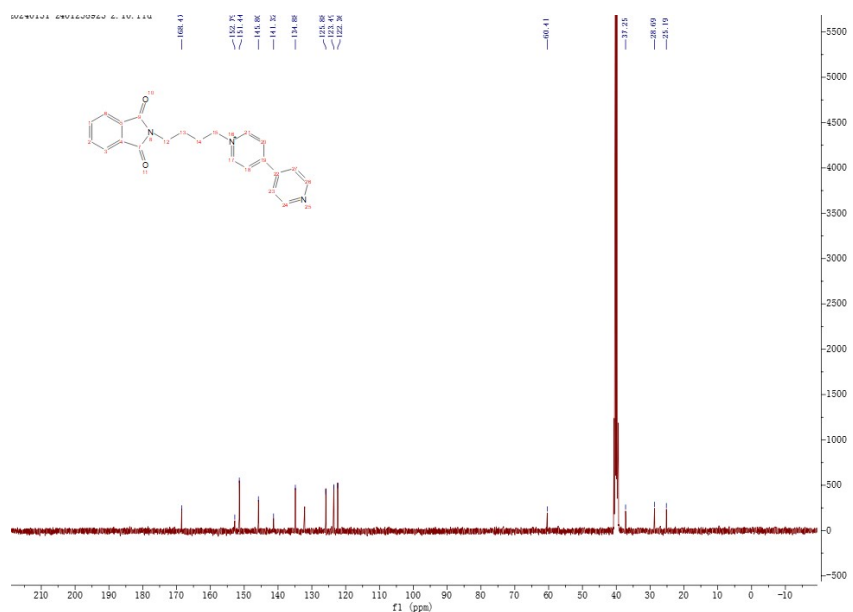


**Compound PI2:** yield: 62%  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.37 – 9.04 (m, 2H), 8.98 – 8.78 (m, 2H), 8.74 – 8.52 (m, 2H), 8.20 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.92 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 4.67 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 3.64 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.16 – 1.86 (m, 2H), 1.67 (p,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  168.47, 152.79, 151.44, 145.80, 141.32, 134.88, 125.88, 123.49, 122.36, 60.41, 37.25, 28.69, 25.19.

**Fig. S3**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI2

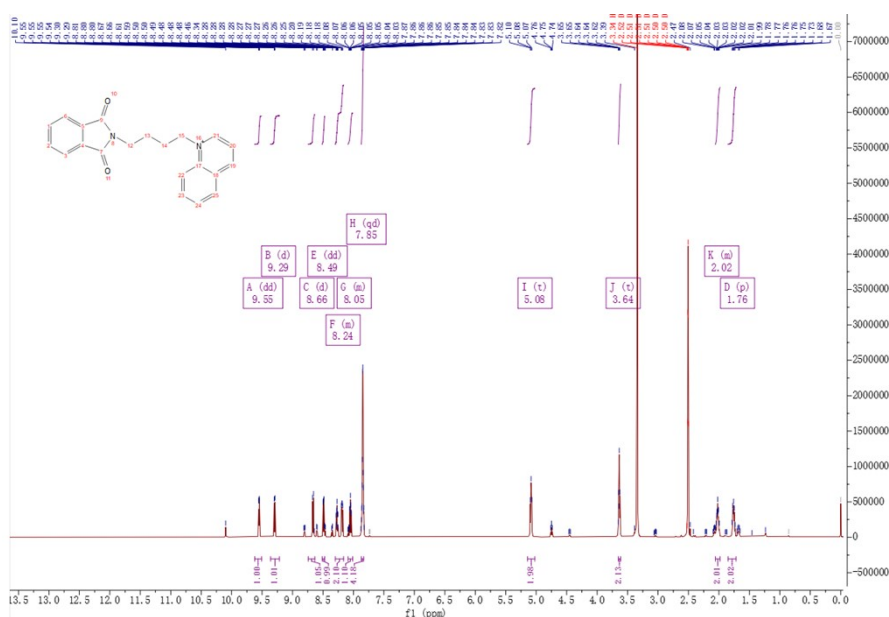


**Fig. S4**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI2

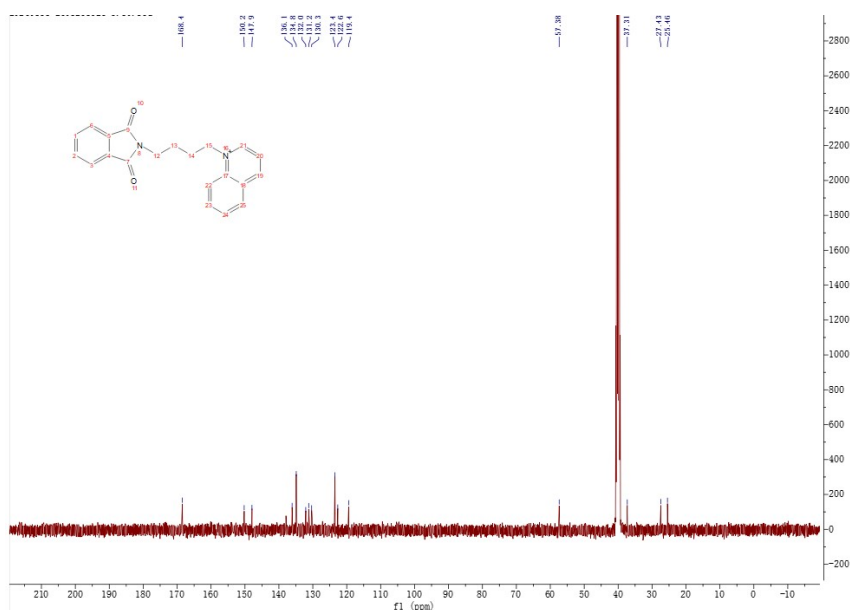


**Compound PI3:** yield: 57%  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.55 (dd,  $J = 5.8, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 9.29 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 8.66 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 1H), 8.49 (dd,  $J = 8.3, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 8.29 – 8.16 (m, 2H), 8.08 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 7.84 (qd,  $J = 4.5, 2.4$  Hz, 4H), 5.08 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.64 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.06 – 1.97 (m, 2H), 1.76 (p,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  168.47, 150.23, 147.94, 136.11, 134.88, 132.09, 131.21, 130.35, 123.49, 122.64, 119.44, 57.38, 37.31, 27.43, 25.46.

**Fig. S5**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI3

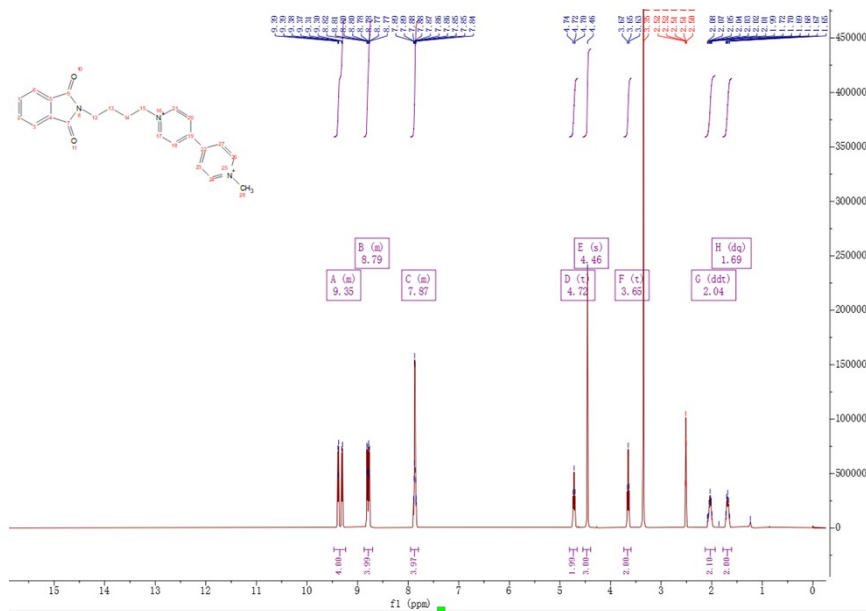


**Fig. S6**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI3

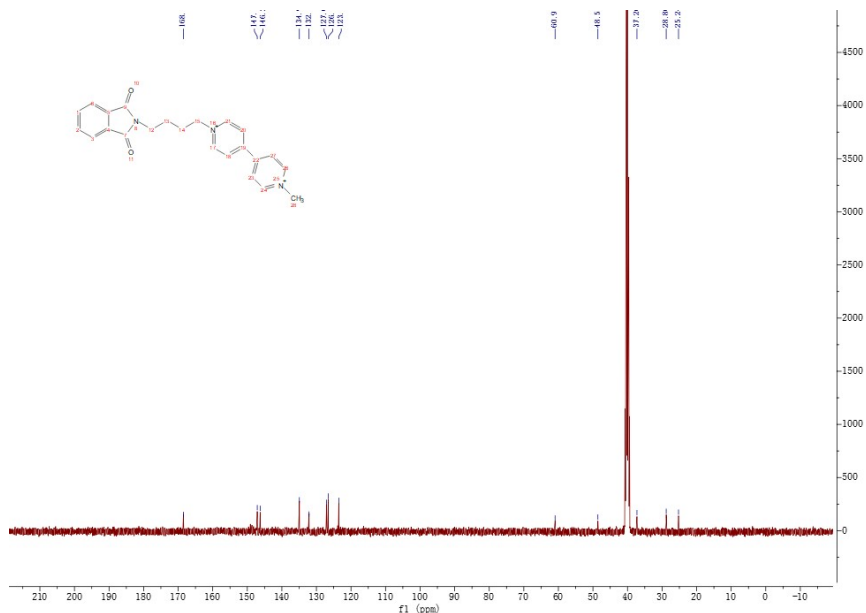


**Compound PI4:** yield: 55%  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.48-9.15 (m, 4H), 8.92-8.69 (m, 4H), 7.97-7.78 (m, 4H), 4.72 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.46 (s, 3H), 3.65 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.04 (td,  $J = 14.3, 6.7$  Hz, 2H), 1.82-1.56 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  168.50, 147.12, 146.28, 134.94, 132.14, 127.06, 126.57, 123.53, 60.95, 48.57, 37.26, 28.80, 25.24.

**Fig. S7**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI4

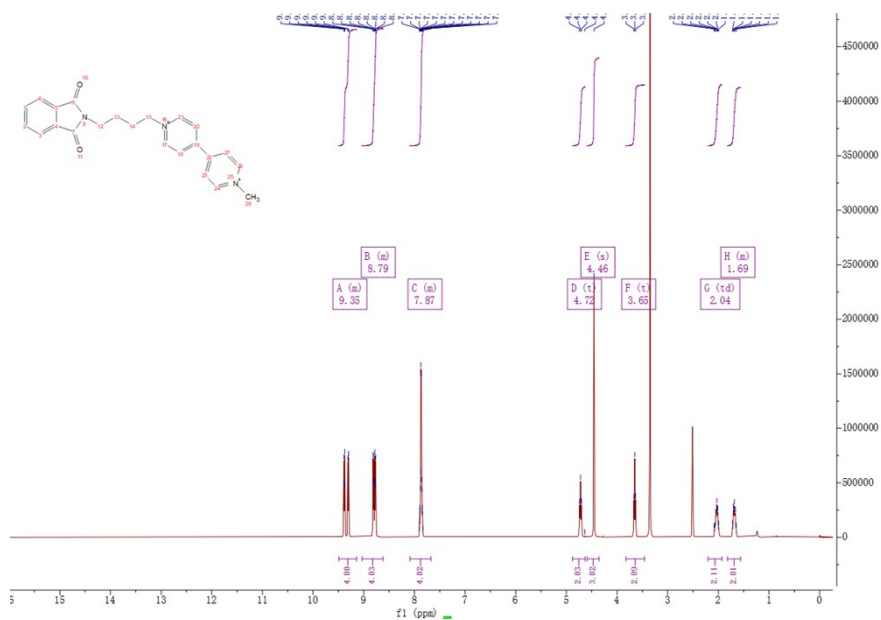


**Fig. S8**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI4



**Compound PI5:** yield: 52%  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.49-9.14 (m, 4H), 9.03-8.62 (m, 4H), 8.09-7.67 (m, 4H), 4.72 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.46 (s, 3H), 3.65 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.04 (td,  $J = 14.3, 6.7$  Hz, 2H), 1.82-1.56 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  168.50, 147.12, 146.28, 134.94, 132.14, 127.06, 126.57, 123.53, 60.95, 48.57, 37.26, 28.80, 25.24.

**Fig. S9**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI5



**Fig. S10**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) of the compound PI5

