

## Supporting Information

### Molecular Design of Fused 1,2,3,4-Tetrazine-Based High Performance Energetic Material with Zero Oxygen Balance

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# S1. Experimental Sections

## 1.1 Safety Precaution

In this work, all new compounds are potential energetic materials that tend to explode under certain external stimuli. Therefore, the whole experimental process should be carried out by using proper safety equipment, such as safety shields, eye protection, and leather gloves.

## 1.2 General methods

<sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at 25 °C on a Bruker 400 MHz spectrometer and 125 MHz spectrometer, respectively. Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm). The onset decomposition temperature was measured using a TA Instruments DSC25 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of 5 °C min<sup>-1</sup> under a dry nitrogen atmosphere. Infrared spectra (IR) were obtained on a PerkinElmer Spectrum BX FT-IR instrument equipped with an ATR unit at 25 °C. Impact and friction sensitivities were tested by a BAM fallhammer and friction tester. Densities were determined by conducting X-ray diffractions of all single crystals were carried out at room temperature on a Bruker D8 VENTURE diffractometer using Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). Integration and scaling of intensity data were performed using the SAINT program. Data were corrected for the effects of absorption using SADABS. The structures were solved by direct method and refined with full-matrix least-squares technique using SHELX-2014 software. Non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters, and hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined with a riding model. The crystal structures were produced employing Mercury 2021.1.0 software.

## 1.3 Synthetic Procedures

### *5,5'-Bis(trinitromethyl)-2H,2'H-[3,3'-bi(1,2,4-triazole)]-2,2'-diamine (TBTD)*

According to the literature, 5,5'-bis(trinitromethyl)-2H,2'H-3,3'-bi(1,2,4-triazole) was obtained.<sup>1</sup> Compound 5,5'-bis(trinitromethyl)-2H,2'H-3,3'-bi(1,2,4-triazole) (1.0 g, 2.3 mmol) was treated with 25% tetraethylammonium hydroxide in water (1.15 g, 2.0 eq). The mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature, and the water was removed by rotary evaporation and dissolved in acetonitrile (10 mL). Toluenesulfonyl-O-hydroxylamine (1.08 g, 2.5 eq) was added to dichloromethane (10 mL) at -5°C and added to the reaction mixture portionwise over 5min. The system continued to react for 24 hours, remained at this temperature. TLC monitoring and after the reaction, the solvent was evaporated. Collecting the crude products, the crude amide was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with dichloromethane, which gave the title compounds TBTD in 58% isolated yield (0.62 g). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  6.58 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  145.2, 142.2. <sup>15</sup>N NMR (50.68 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  -32.95, -64.68, -120.84, -136.42, -292.89. **Elem. Anal. Calc** for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N<sub>14</sub>O<sub>12</sub>: N%: 42.25, C%: 15.53, H%: 0.87; found: N%: 42.13, C%: 15.67, H%: 0.91.

### *2,9-Bis(trinitromethyl)bis([1,2,4]triazolo)[1,5-d:5',1'-f][1,2,3,4]tetrazine (TNF)*

TBTD (0.2 g, 0.43 mmol) was dissolved in acetonitrile (10 mL) at -5°C, and treated dropwise with

*tert-butyl* hypochlorite ( 0.12 g, 2.5 eq). TLC monitoring and after the reaction, the solvent was evaporated. Collecting the crude products, the crude amide was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with dichloromethane, which gave the title compounds TNF in 78% isolated yield (0.15 g).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ )  $\delta$  171.6, 151.9, 139.6.  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR (50.68 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ )  $\delta$  -21.40, -37.10, -79.22, -84.22, -111.61, -134.14, -130.48, -137.59. **Elem. Anal.** Calc for  $\text{C}_4\text{N}_{14}\text{O}_{12}$ : N%: 42.62, C%: 15.66; found: N%: 42.46, C%: 15.57.

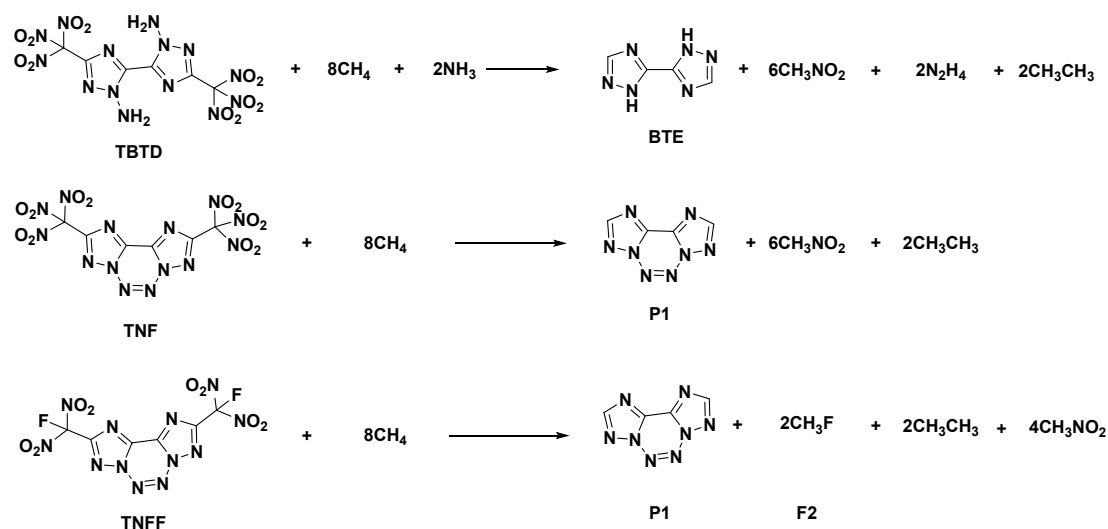
### 2,9-Bis(fluorodinitromethyl)bis([1,2,4]triazolo)[1,5-d:5',1'-f][1,2,3,4]tetrazine (TNFF)

At  $-5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , TNF (0.5 g, 1.0 mmol) was added to the mixture of acetonitrile and methanol. After the system's stable temperature, potassium iodide (4.5 eq, 0.81g) was slowly added in batches, and the reaction temperature was maintained for 3 hours. The system was filtered, and the filter cake was washed with methanol and dried to obtain potassium salt compounds. Add 0.2 g of potassium salt compounds to acetonitrile at room temperature. Weigh the selective fluorine reagent (selectfluor, 1.0 eq, 0.15g) and add it slowly (*The addition of reagents too fast will lead to low yield*). After an overnight reaction at room temperature, TLC monitoring and filtration column chromatography obtained the target compound TNFF (0.13 g, 73%).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (377 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ )  $\delta$  -99.73.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ )  $\delta$  153.09, 152.83, 139.43.  $^{15}\text{N}$  NMR (50.68 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ )  $\delta$  -22.37, -27.76, -28.15, -83.39, -111.93, -136.42, -138.37.

## S2. Computational Details

Theoretical calculations were performed by using the Gaussian 09 suite of programs.<sup>2, 3</sup> Gas phase heats of formation of the title compounds were computed based on an isodesmic reaction (Scheme S1). The enthalpy of reaction was carried out by combining the M062X/6-311++G\*\* energy difference for the reactions, the scaled zero-point energies (ZPE), values of thermal correction (HT), and other thermal factors. The solid-state heats of formation were obtained by employing Trouton's rule according to equation 1 (T represents either melting point or decomposition temperature when no melting occurs prior to decomposition).<sup>4</sup>

$$\Delta H_{\text{sub}} = 188/\text{J mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1} \times T \quad (1)$$



**Scheme S1.** Isodesmic reactions for TBTD, TNF and TNFF.

Species	ZPE	H <sub>corr</sub>	E <sub>0</sub>	Corrected E <sub>0</sub>	ΔH <sub>f</sub> (kJ/mol)
Tetra	0.086661	0.094693	-591.5231	-591.4319	816.48574
BTE	0.100371	0.108321	-483.3296	-483.2253	382.25163
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	0.074397	0.078825	-79.80667	-79.73082	-86.07562
N <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	0.053277	0.057483	-111.8626	-111.8072	99.122171
CH <sub>3</sub> F	0.039006	0.042862	-139.7207	-139.6794	-234.3
CH <sub>3</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	0.049673	0.054999	-245.0103	-244.9573	-88.06903
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.034305	0.038114	-56.55195	-56.51521	-45.09579
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.044599	0.048412	-40.50181	-40.45518	-74.6
TBTD	0.200425	0.229912	-1899.554	-1899.332	676.5034367
TNF	0.153087	0.180152	-1897.088	-1896.914	929.2759303
TNFF	0.134116	0.157461	-1686.62	-1686.468	348.23843

**Table S1.** The scaled zero point energies (*ZPE*), values of thermal correction (*H<sub>corr</sub>*), total energy (*E<sub>0</sub>*) and heats of formation (*HOF*)

### S3. Crystallographic data for TBTD, TNF and TNFF.

CCDC No.	2252071	2257694	2322374
Empirical formula	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> N <sub>14</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> N <sub>14</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>2</sub> N <sub>12</sub> O <sub>8</sub>
Formula weight	464.23	460.2	406.18
Temperature/K	296.15	296(2)	296
Crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /n	P-1	P-1
a/Å	11.453(3)	5.859(5)	5.7826(2)
b/Å	10.262(2)	11.684(10)	10.8042(3)
c/Å	14.329(3)	12.127(10)	12.2660(4)
α/°	90	100.143(9)	108.876(3)
β/°	97.651(6)	98.783(9)	90.143(3)
γ/°	90	100.825(9)	105.181(3)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	1669.2(6)	787.8(11)	696.62(4)
Z	4	2	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.847	1.94	1.936
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.176	0.186	1.735
F(000)	936	460	404
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.2 × 0.2 × 0.2	0.19 × 0.16 × 0.15	0.29 × 0.19 × 0.17
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.057	1.005	1.071
Final R indexes	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.1054, wR <sub>2</sub> =	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0647, wR <sub>2</sub> =	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0513, wR <sub>2</sub> =

[I>>=2σ (I)]	0.2838	0.1647	0.1554
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.1726, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.3267	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.1142, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1998	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0569, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1633

## S4. TG-DSC data of new compounds.

The decomposition temperature was investigated using TG-DSC at a heating rate of 5 °C·min<sup>-1</sup> under dry nitrogen atmosphere (50 mL·min<sup>-1</sup>).

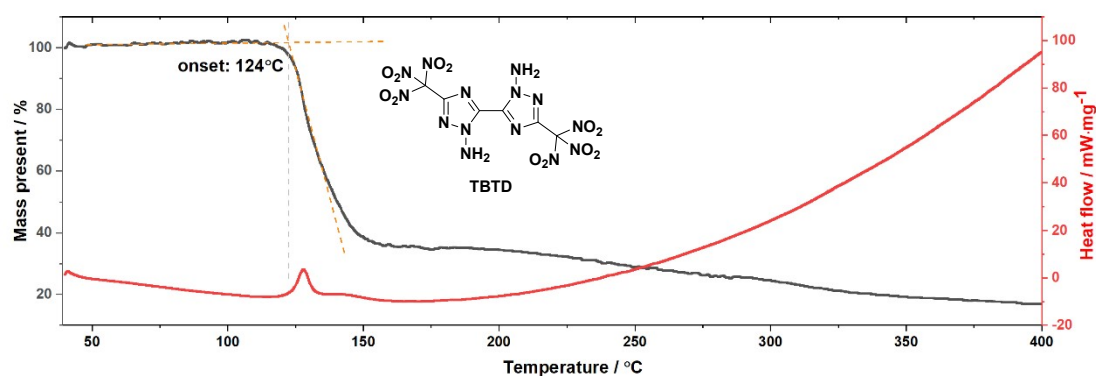


Figure S1. TG-DSC curves of TBTD

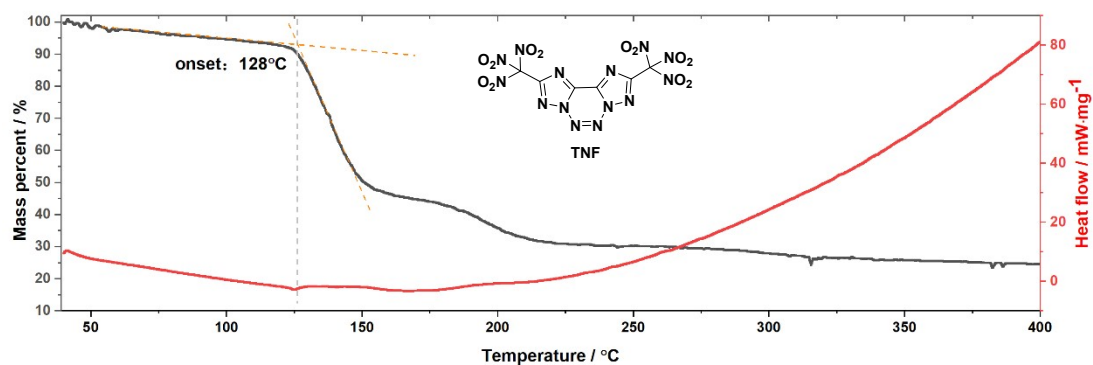


Figure S2. TG-DSC curves of TNF

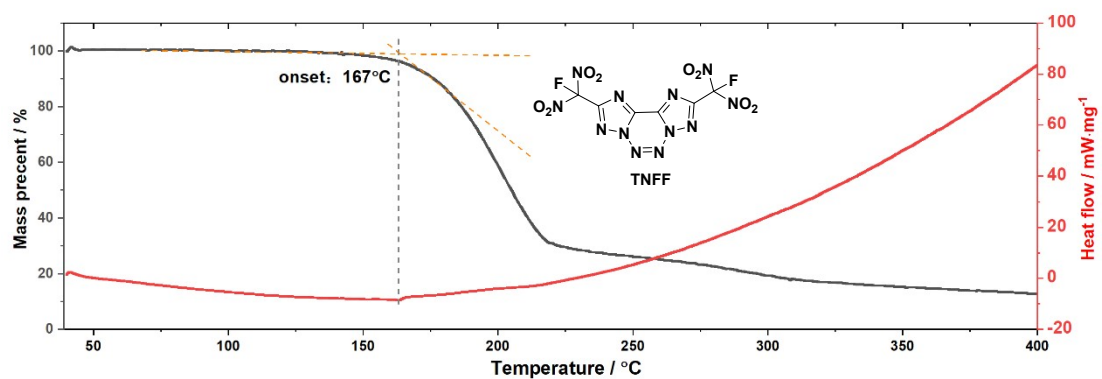


Figure S3. TG-DSC curves of TNFF

## S5. NMR spectra for all new compounds.

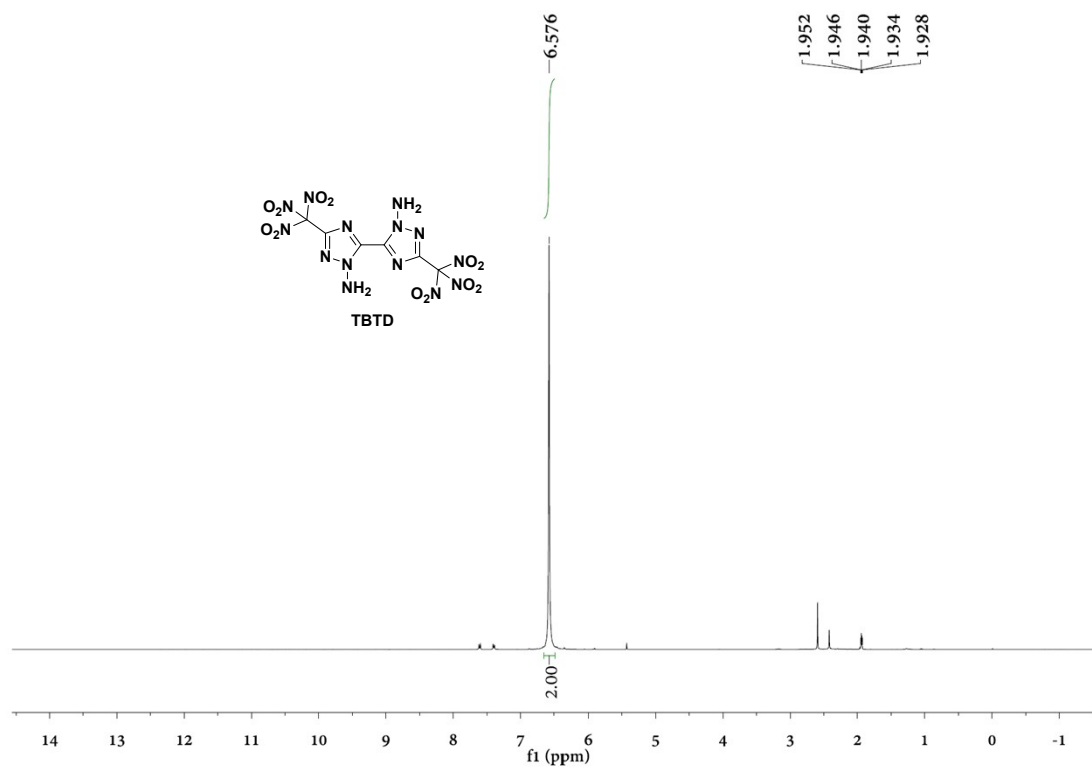


Figure S4. TBTD-<sup>1</sup>H NMR

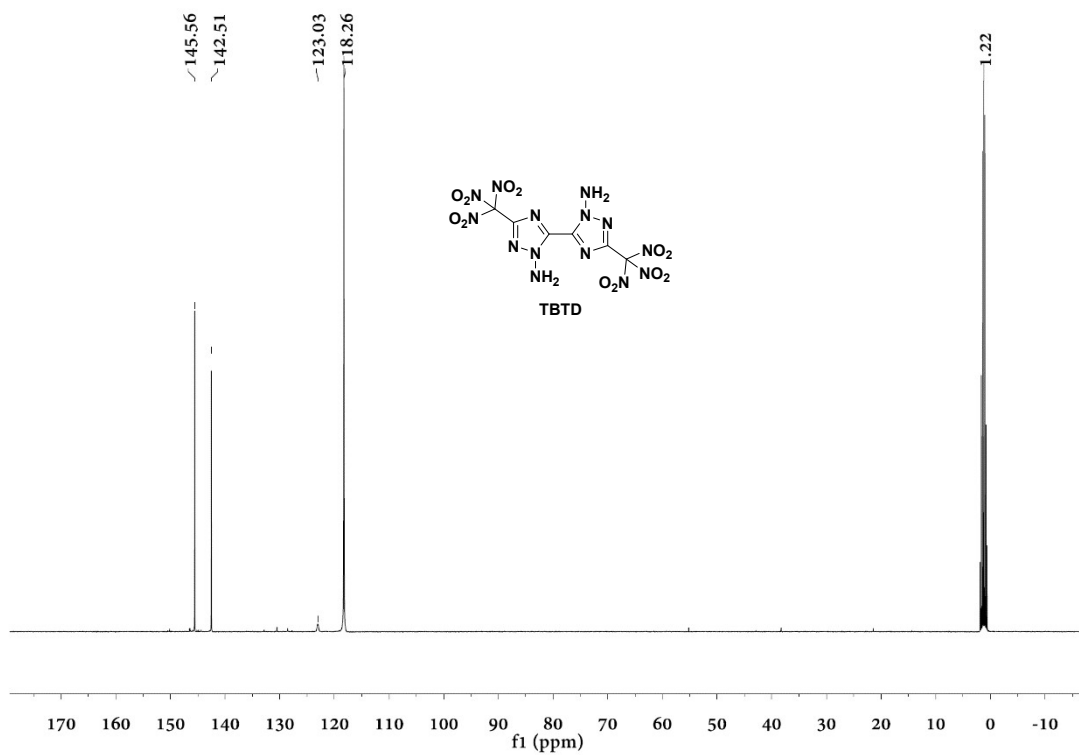


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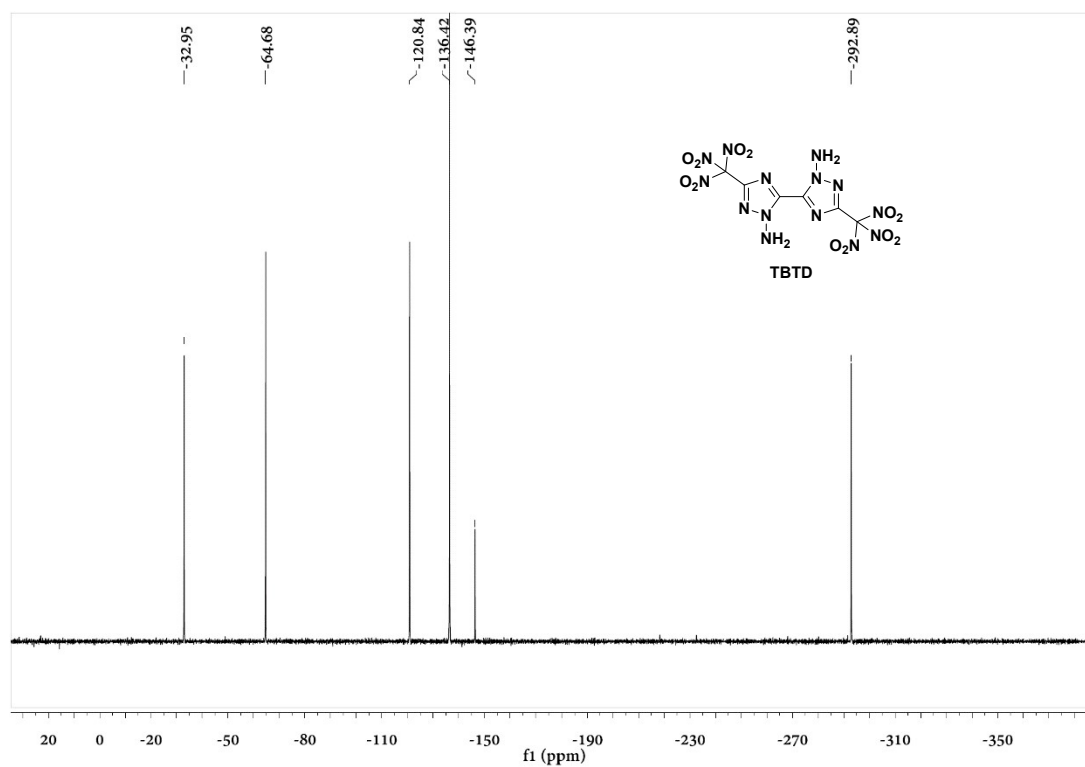


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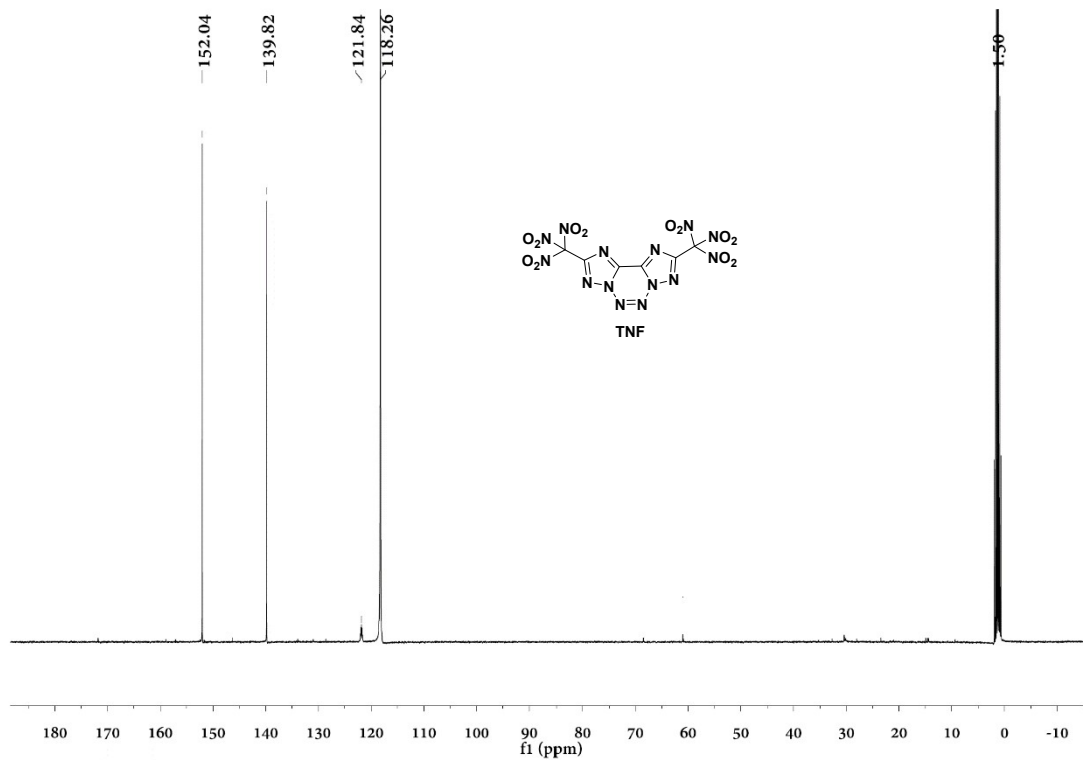


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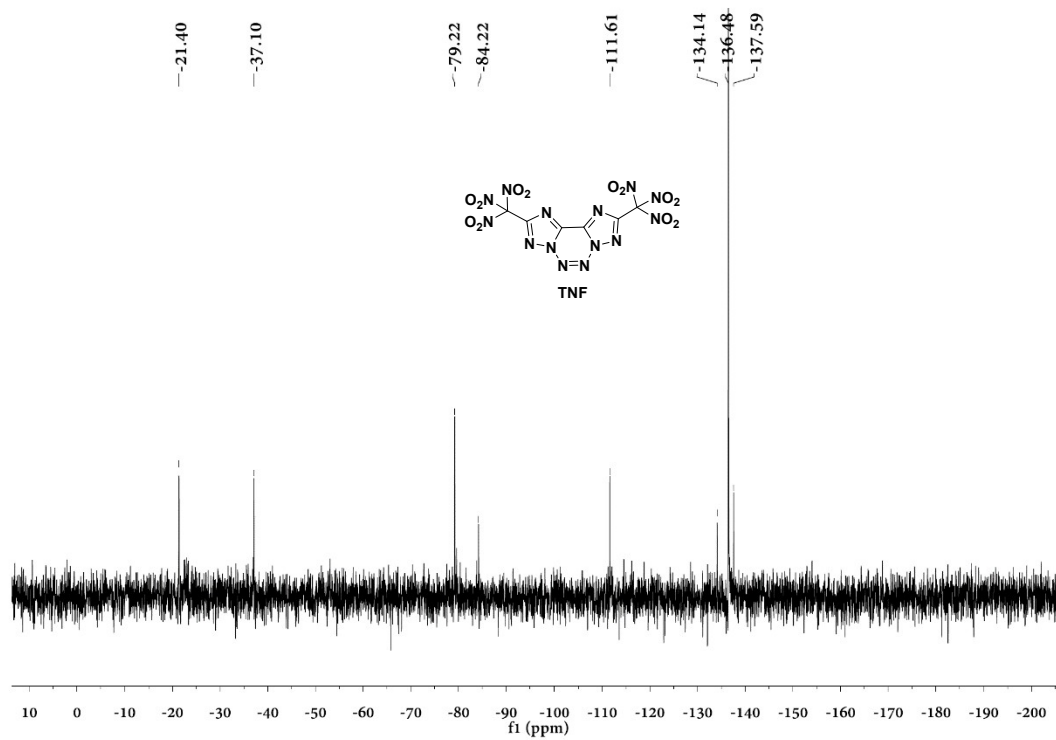


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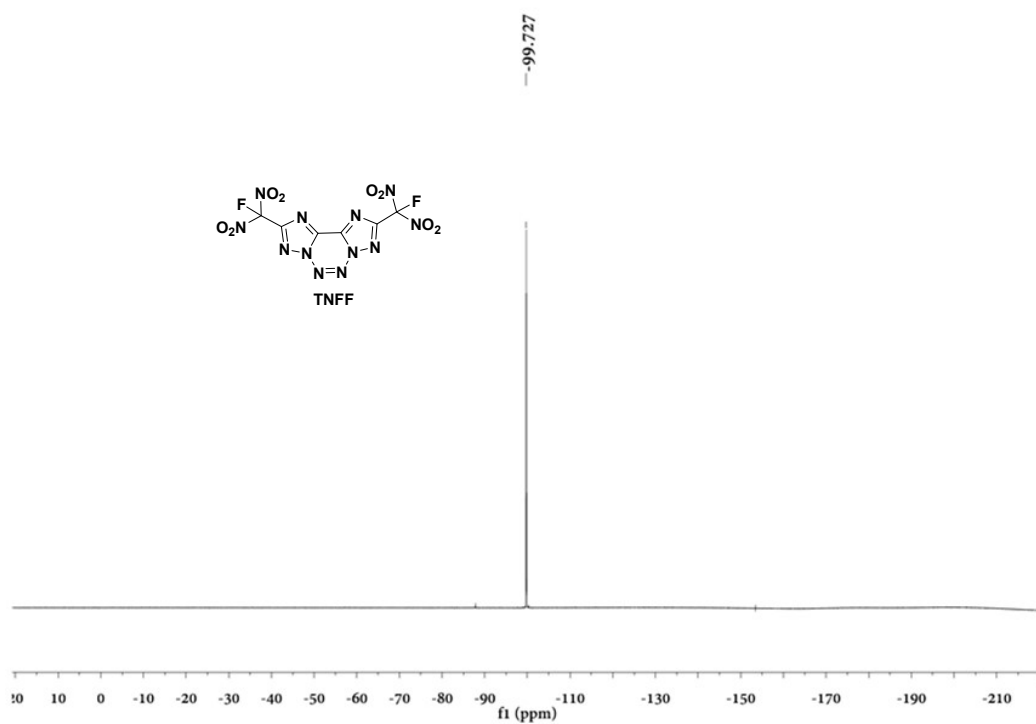


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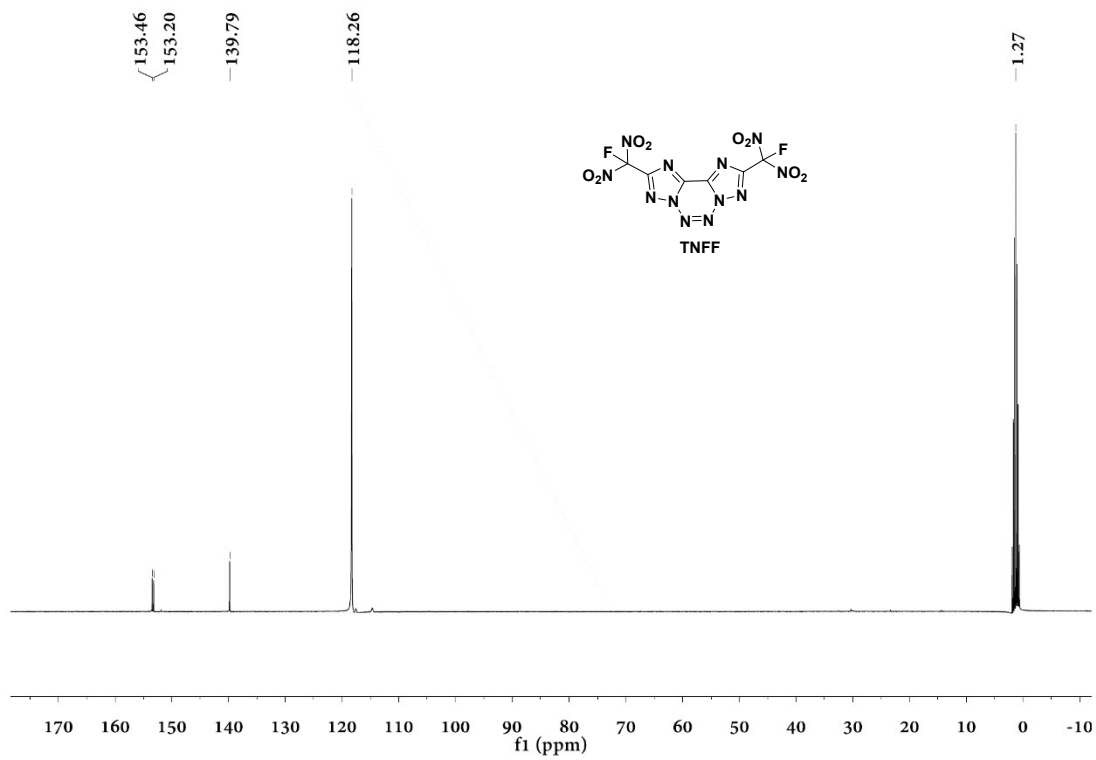


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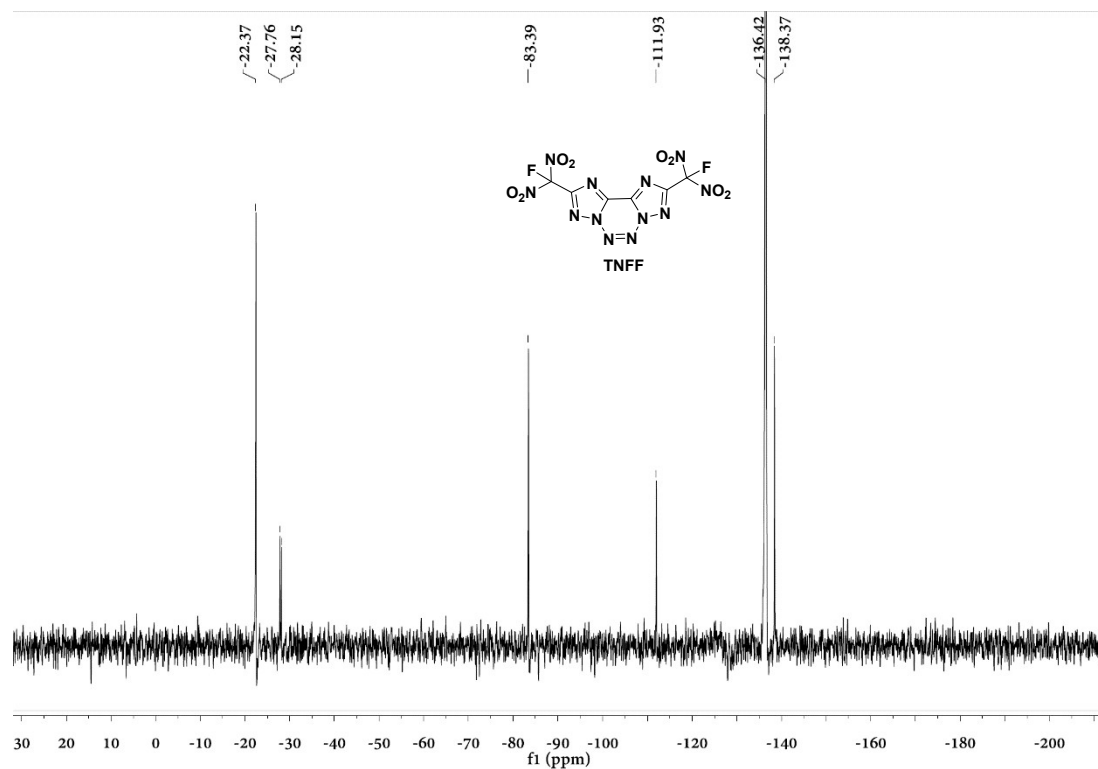


Figure S11. TNFF- $^{15}\text{N}$ NMR

## S6. IR spectra.

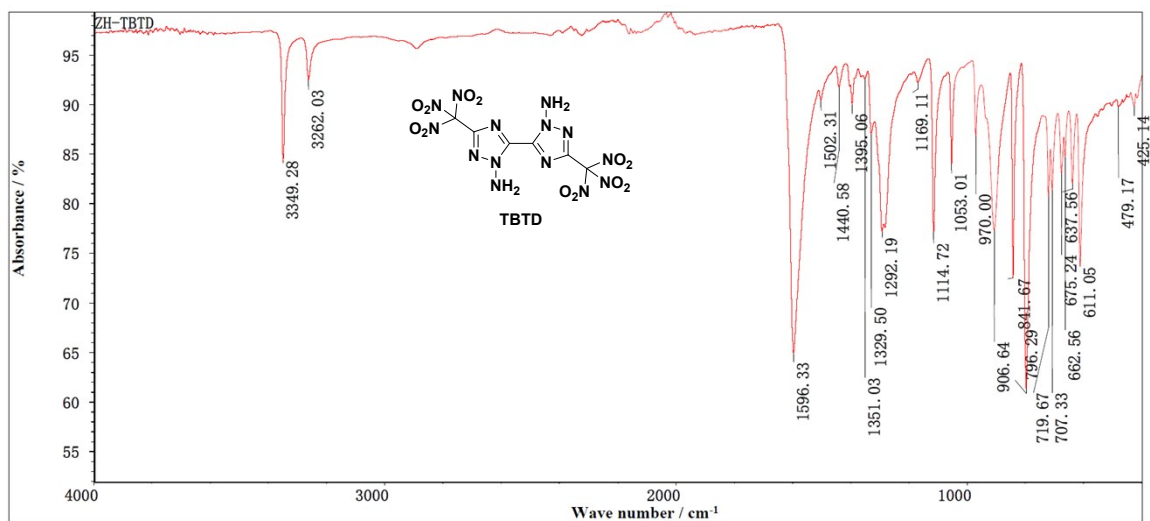


Figure S12. FT-IR curves of TBTD

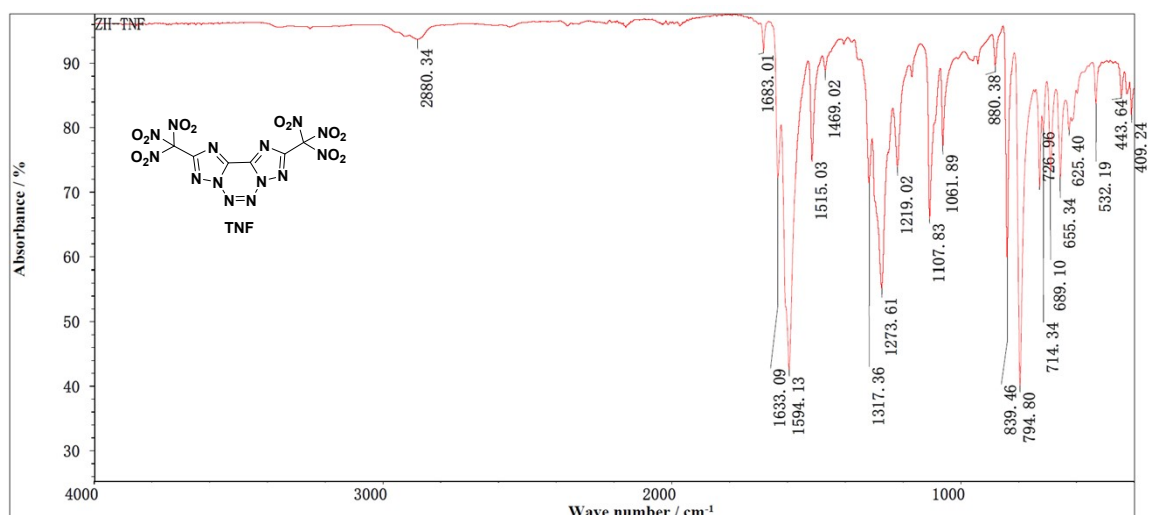


Figure S13. FT-IR curves of TNF

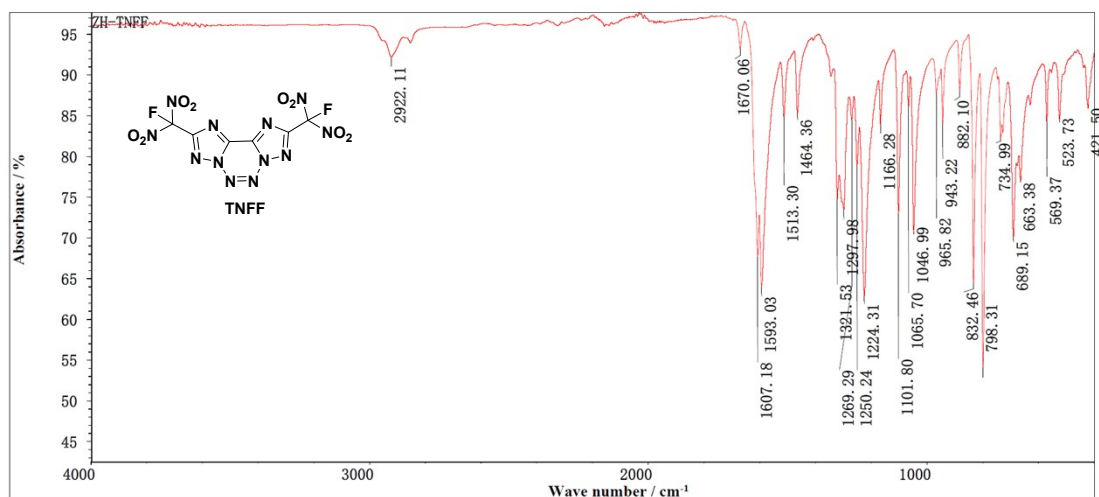
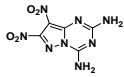

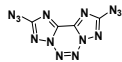




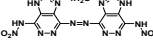


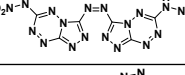




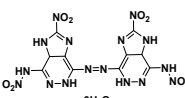

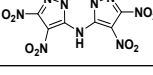
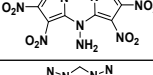
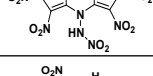






























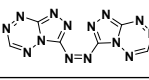


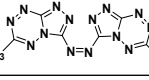
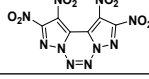
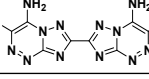
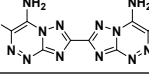
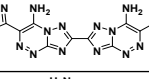








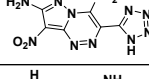
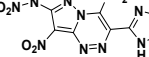
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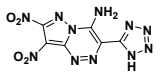
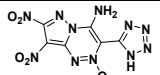
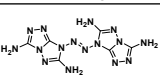
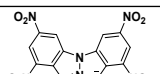
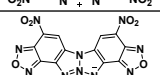
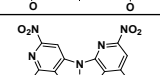
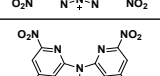
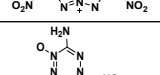
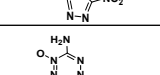
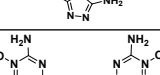
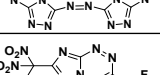
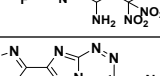
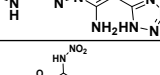
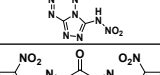
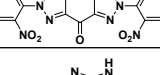
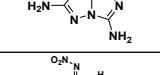
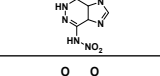
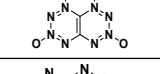
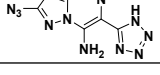
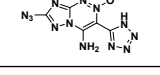
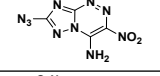
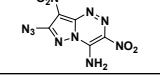
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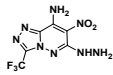
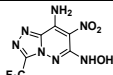
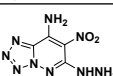
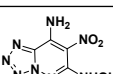
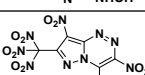
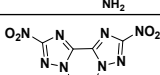
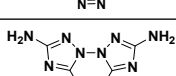
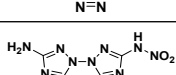
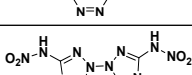
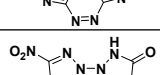
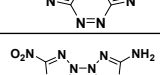
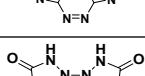
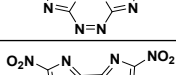
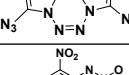
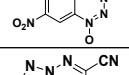
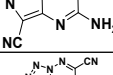
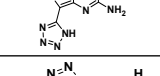
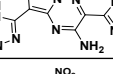

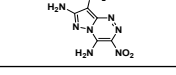
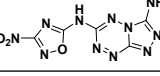
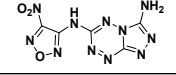
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4		-33.78	9047	35.1	8
5		-26.43	9317	39.3	8
6		-26.43	9317	39.3	9
7		-42.77	8875	34.5	10
8		-65.26	-	-	10
9		-43.93	8621	30.4	11
10		-19.83	9301	38.3	11
11		-36.90	9500	39.8	11
12		-61.01	8423	27.3	12
13		-50.42	8912	32.2	12
14		-65.26	8623	28.4	12
15		-36.22	8568	31.5	13
16		-53.30	8263	28.6	13
17		-93.42	8580	25.9	14
18		-35.17	8792	34.3	15
19		-35.94	8356	29.6	15
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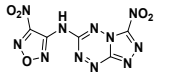
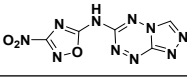
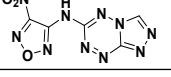
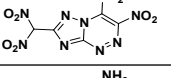
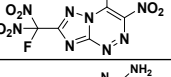
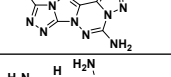
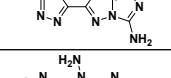
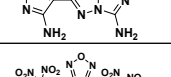
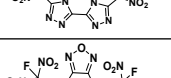
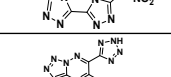
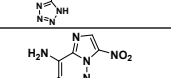
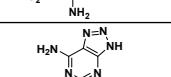
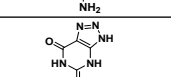
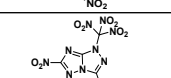
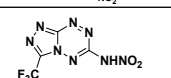
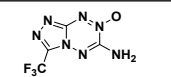
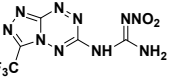
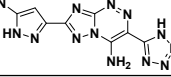
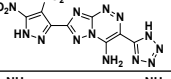
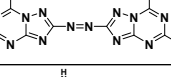
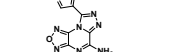

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





















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