

Supporting Information

Synthesis of Fluorogenic Arylureas and Amides, and Their Interaction with Amines: A Competition Between Turn-on Fluorescence and Organic Radicals on the Way to a Smart Label for Fish Freshness.

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Characterization of all compounds:

Synthesis of 5-(4-aminophenyl)indan-1-one:

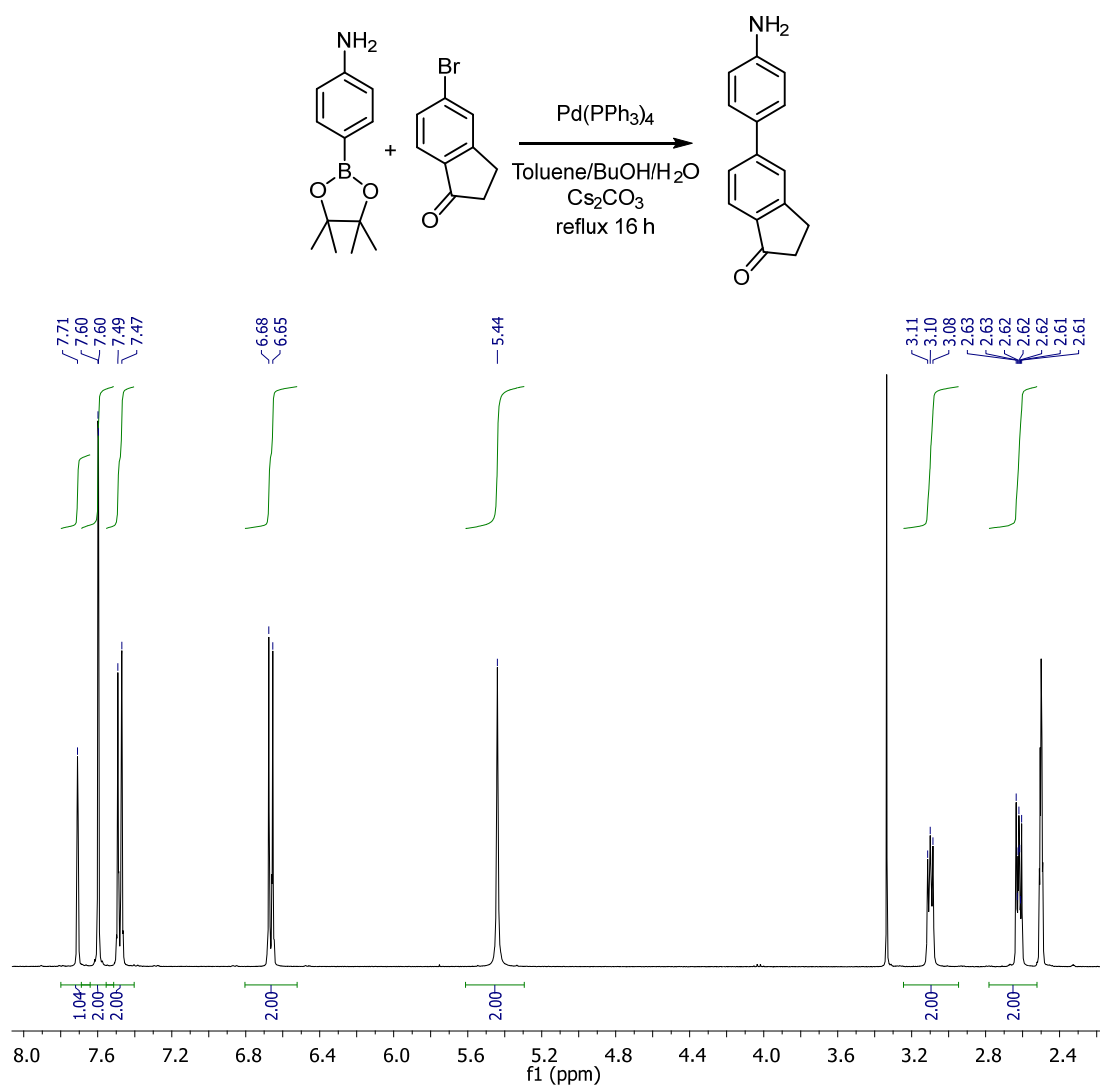


Figure S1: ^1H NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of 5-(4-aminophenyl)indan-1-one

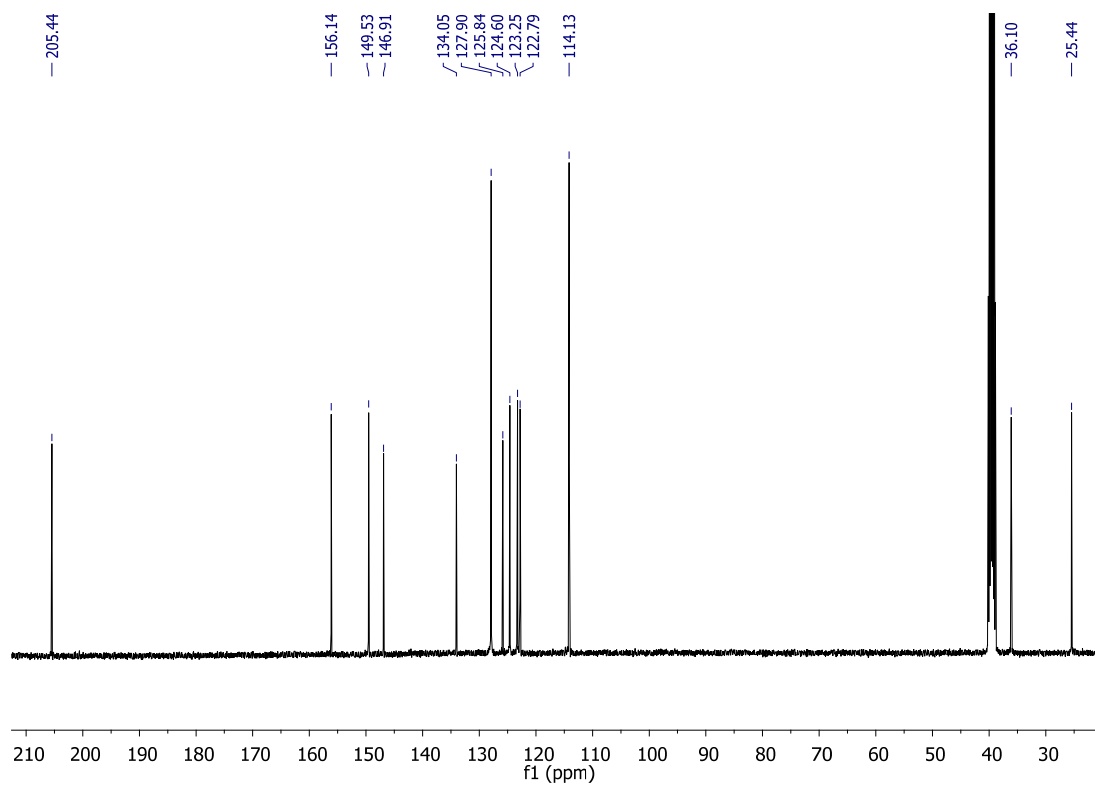


Figure S2: ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 100 MHz) of 5-(4-aminophenyl)indan-1-one

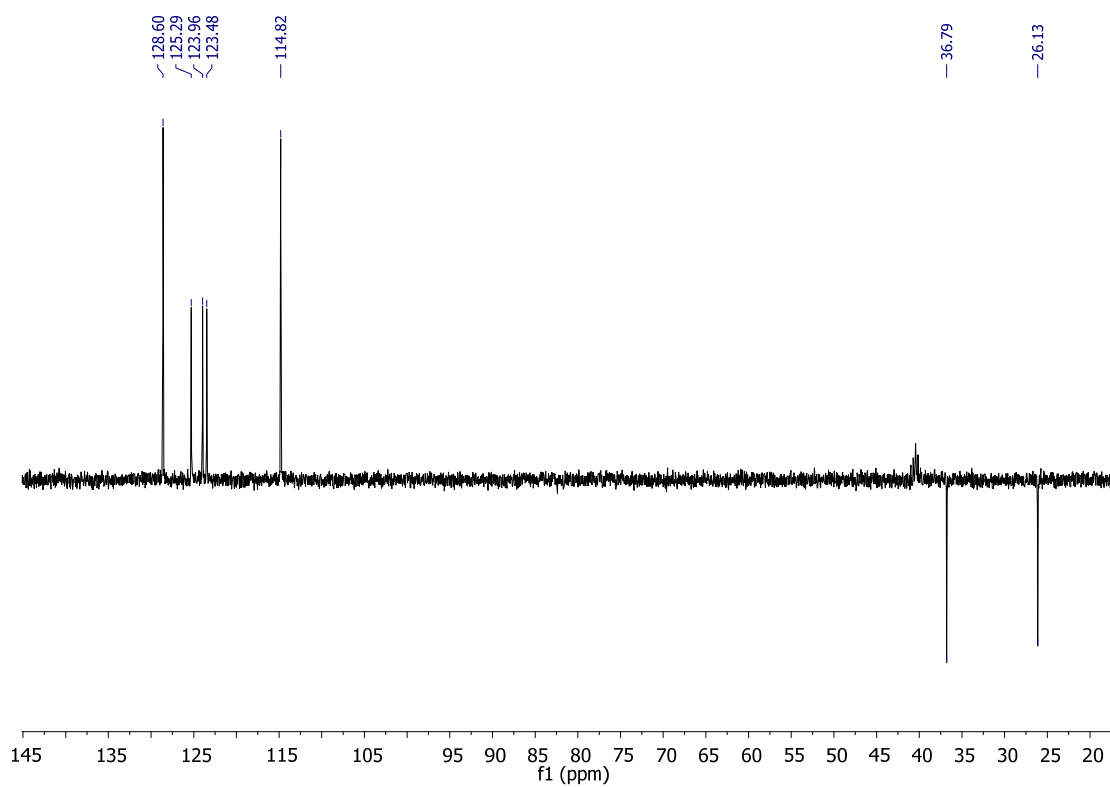


Figure S3: DEPT (DMSO- d_6 , 100 MHz) of 5-(4-aminophenyl)indan-1-one

Synthesis of 1-dicyanomethylene-5-(4-aminophenyl)indane:

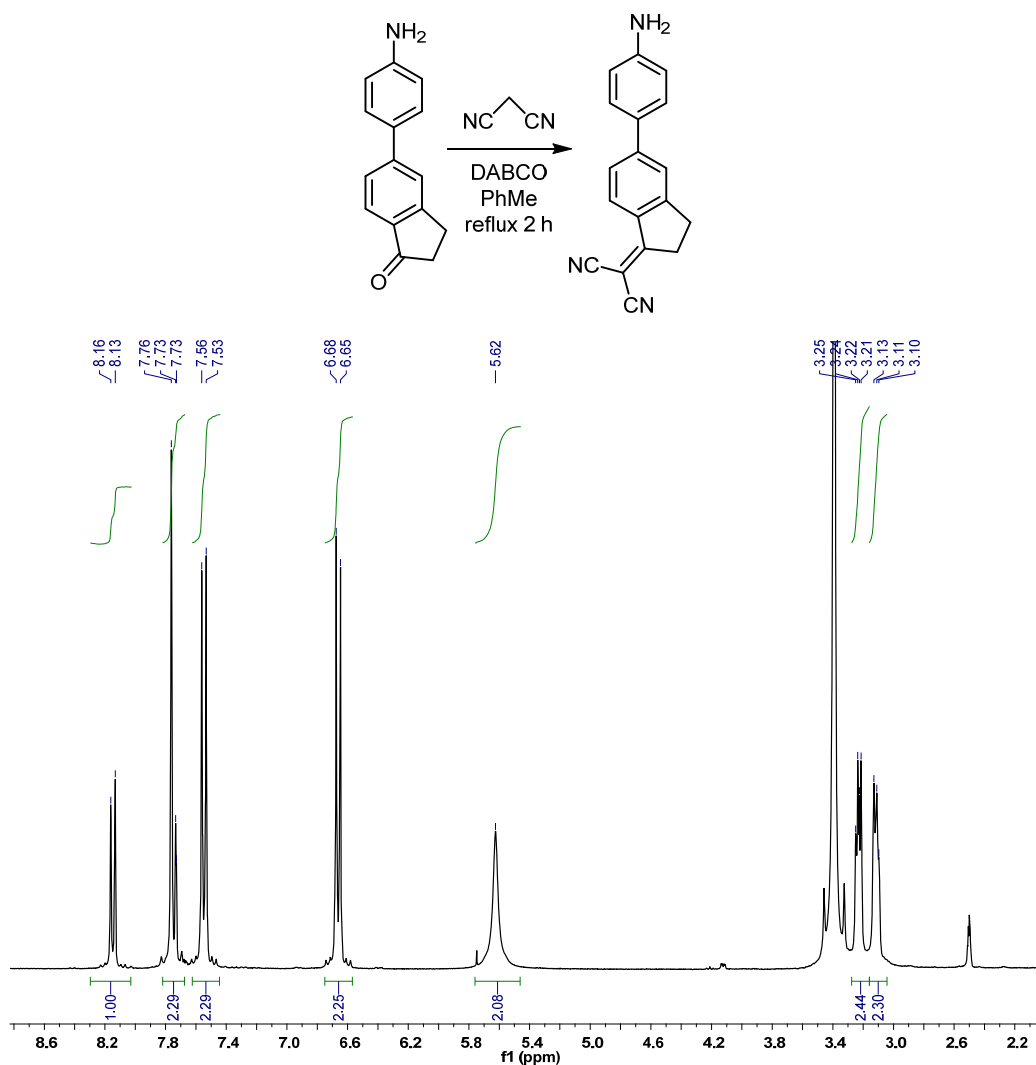


Figure S4: ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 300 MHz) of 1-dicyanomethylene-5-(4-aminophenyl)indane

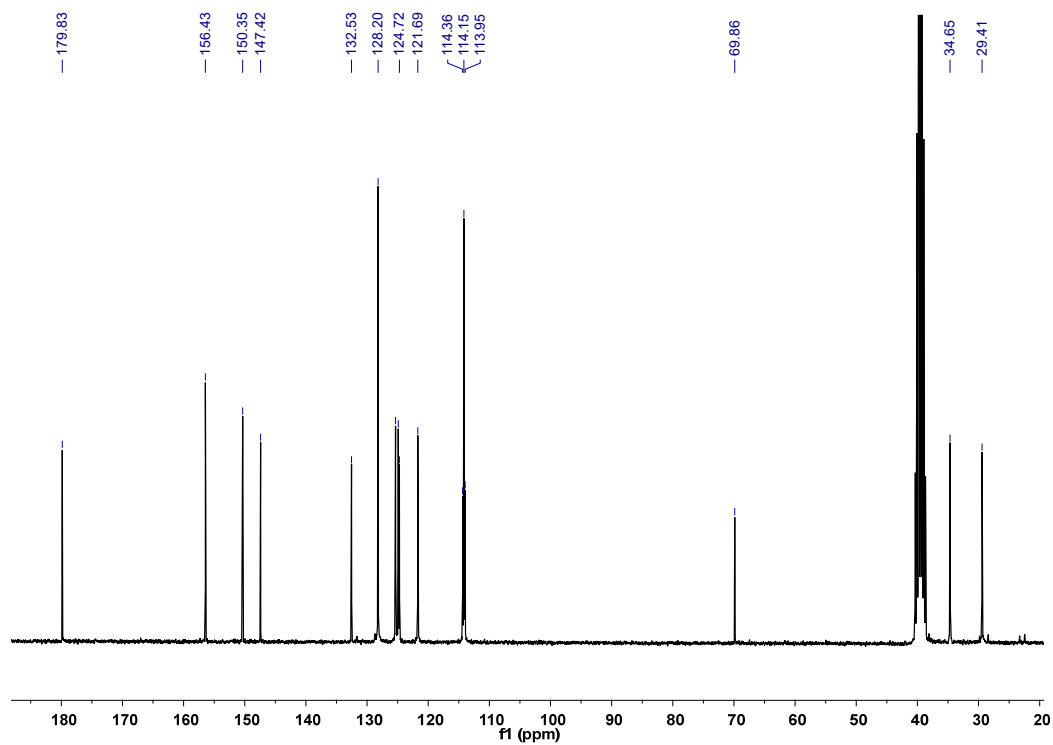


Figure S5: ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of 1-dicyanomethylene-5-(4-aminophenyl)indane

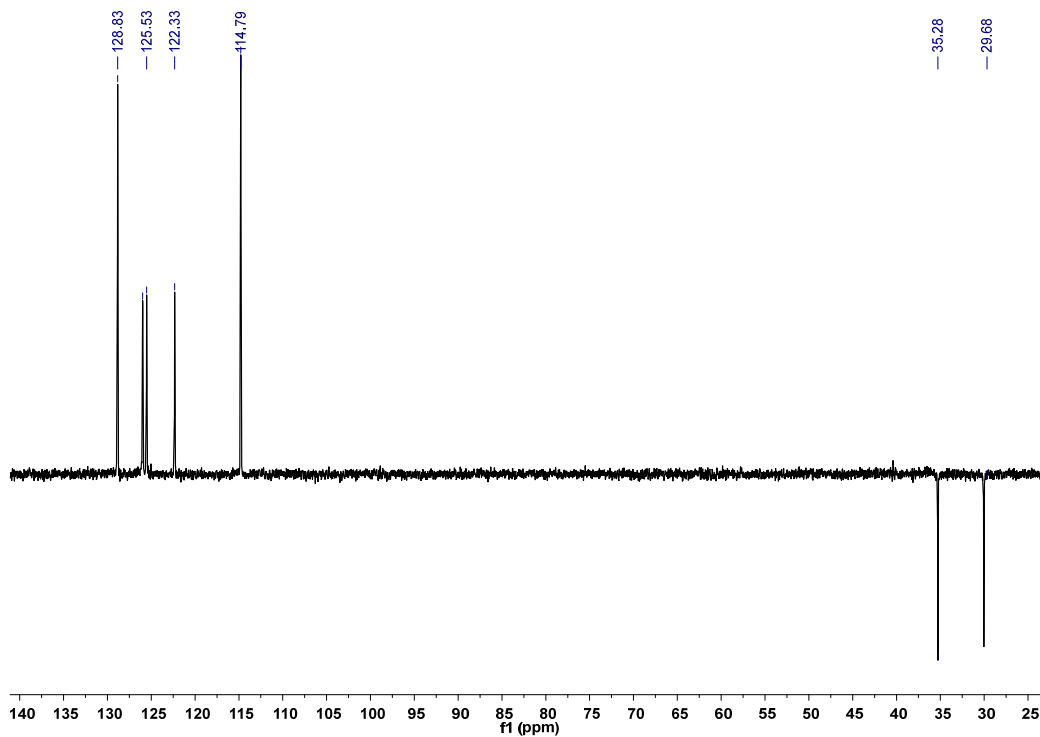


Figure S6: DEPT (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of 1-dicyanomethylene-5-(4-aminophenyl)indane

Synthesis of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenyl]urea) 1:

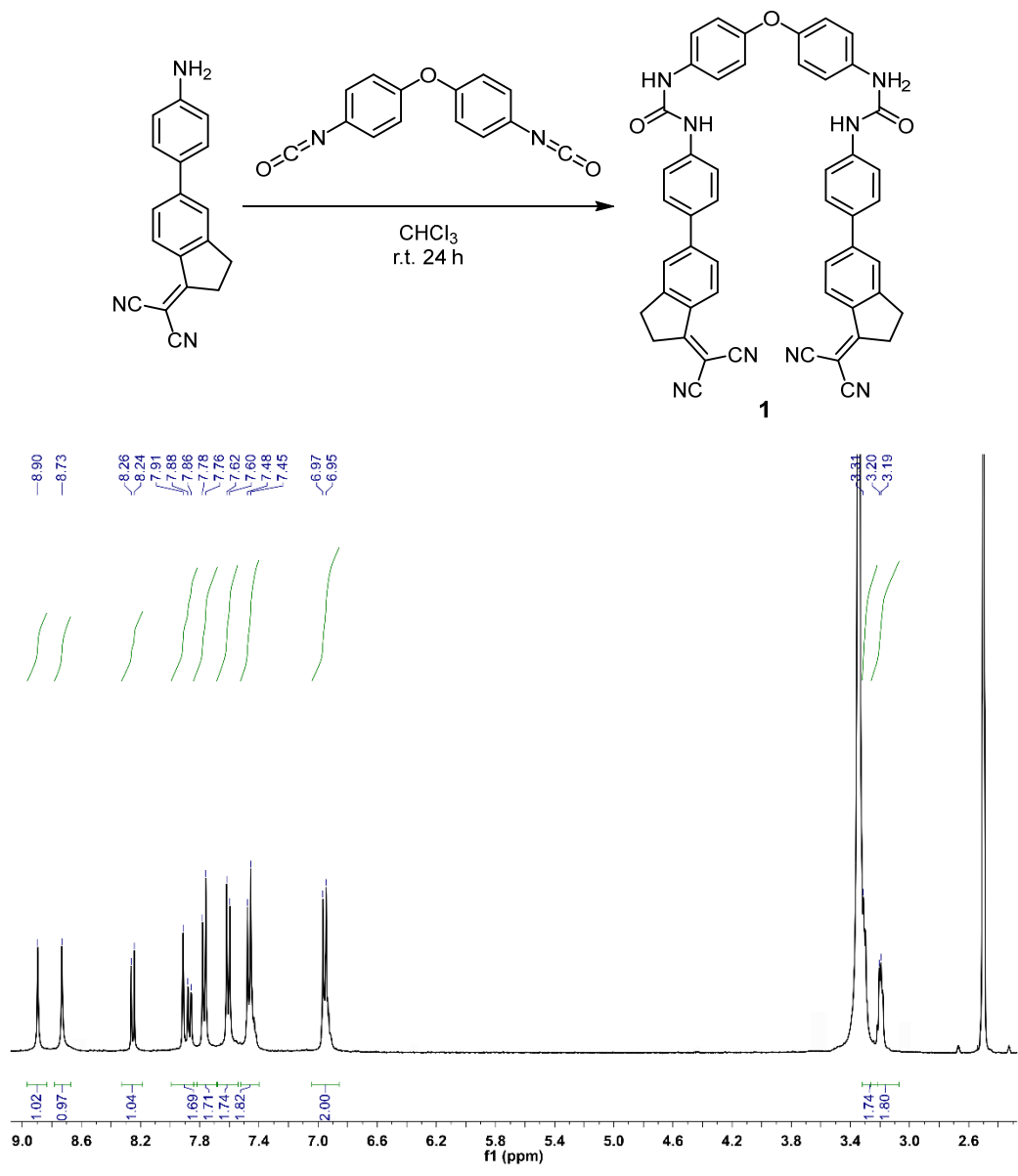


Figure S7: ^1H NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenyl]urea) 1

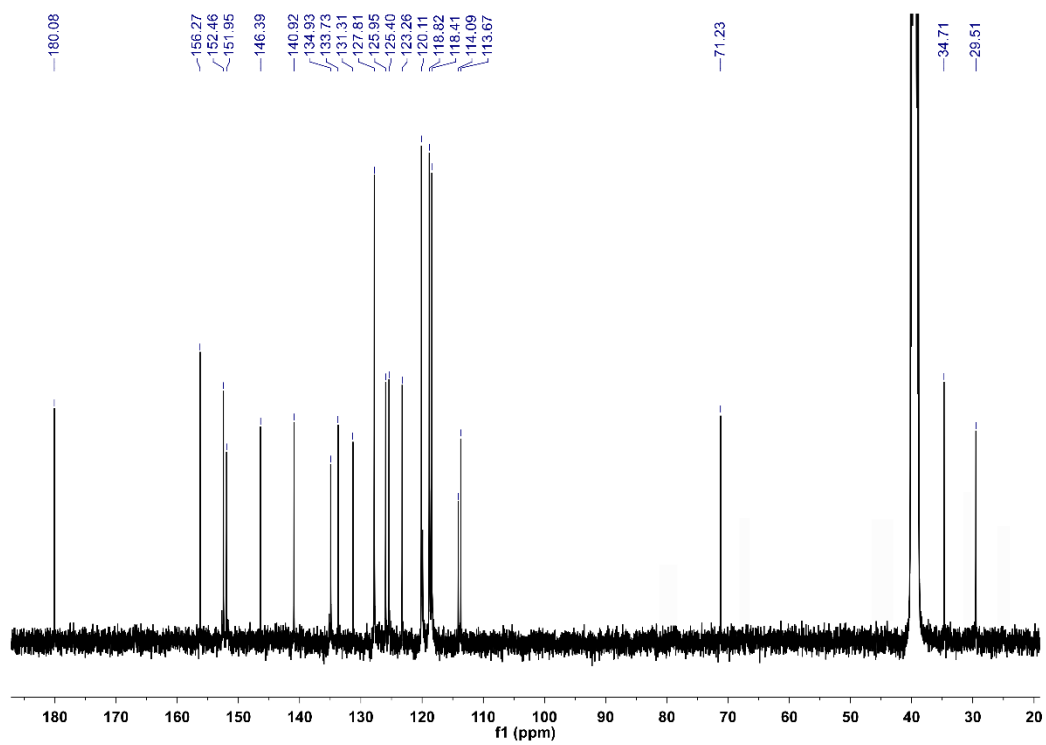


Figure S8: ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 100 MHz) of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene)indan-5-yl)phenyl]urea 1

Synthesis of 1,3-bis[4-(1-dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenylureidomethyl)-benzene 2:

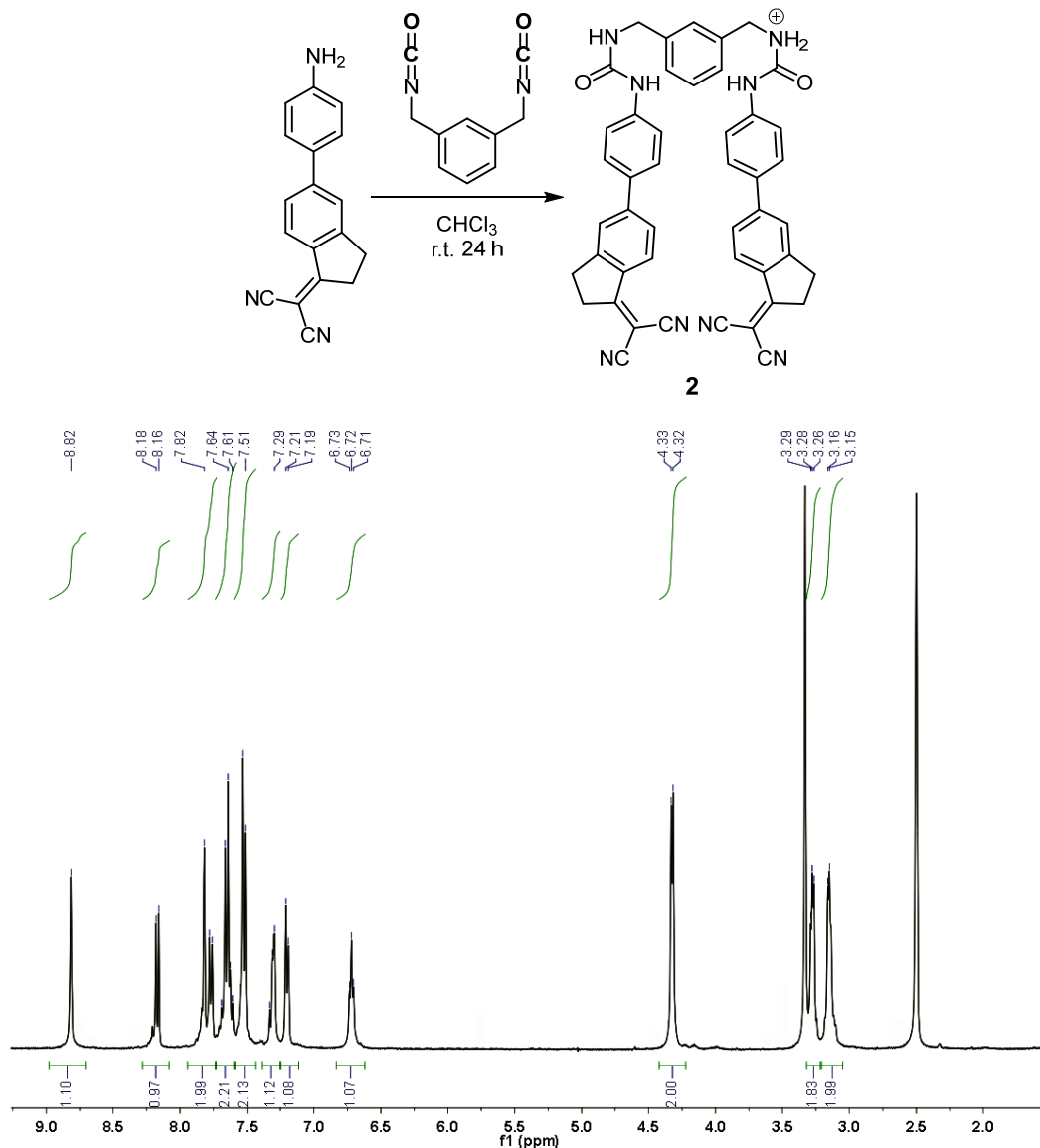


Figure S9: $^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO- d_6 , 400 MHz) of 1,3-bis[4-(1-dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenylureidomethyl)-benzene 2

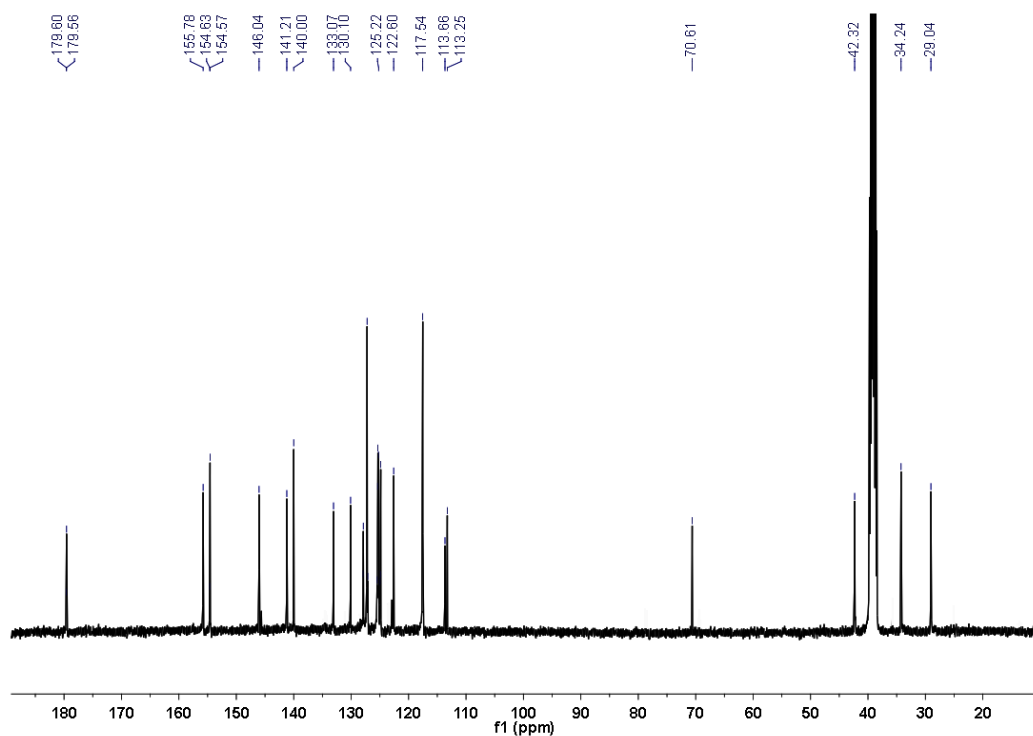


Figure S10: ^{13}C NMR ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$, 100 MHz) of 1,3-bis[4-(1-dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenylureidomethyl]-benzene

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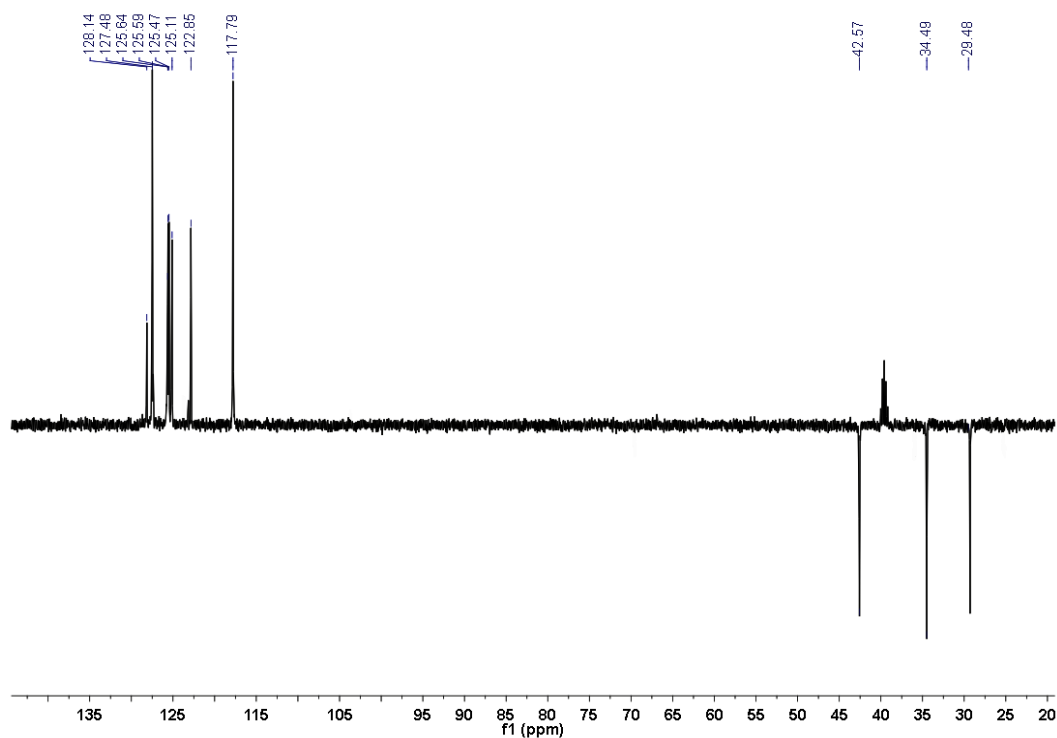


Figure S11: DEPT ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$, 100 MHz) of 1,3-bis[4-(1-dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenylureidomethyl]-benzene 2

Synthesis of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene)indan-5-yl)phenyl]urea **3**:

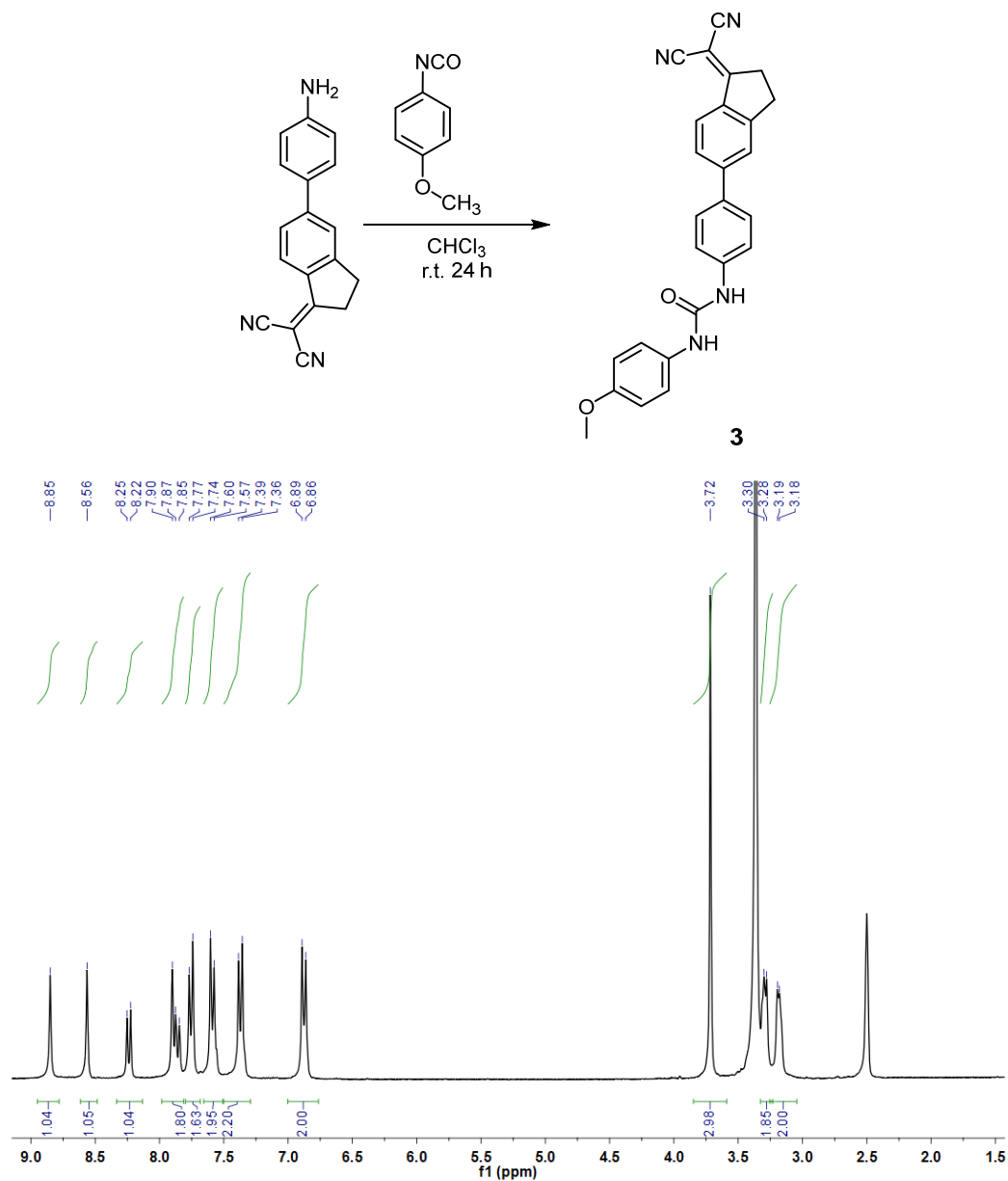


Figure S12: ^1H NMR ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$, 300 MHz) of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene)indan-5-yl)phenyl]urea **3**

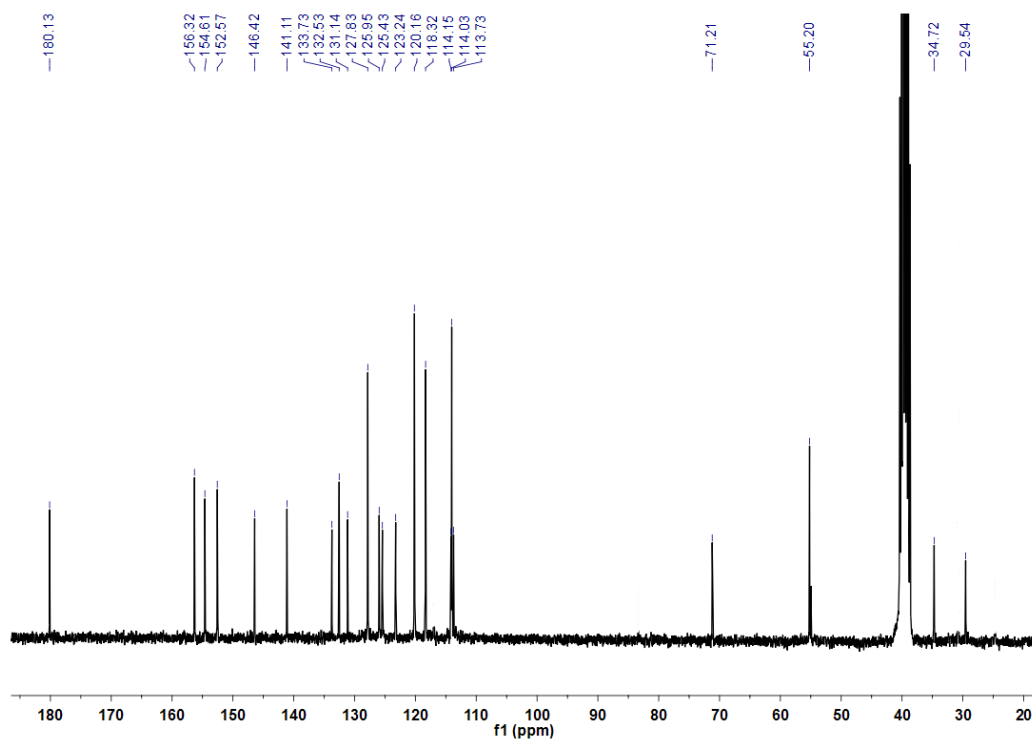


Figure S13: ^{13}C NMR ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$, 75 MHz) of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene)indan-5-yl)phenyl]urea 3

Synthesis of 1-[4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)phenyl]-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene-indan-5-yl)phenyl)]urea 4:

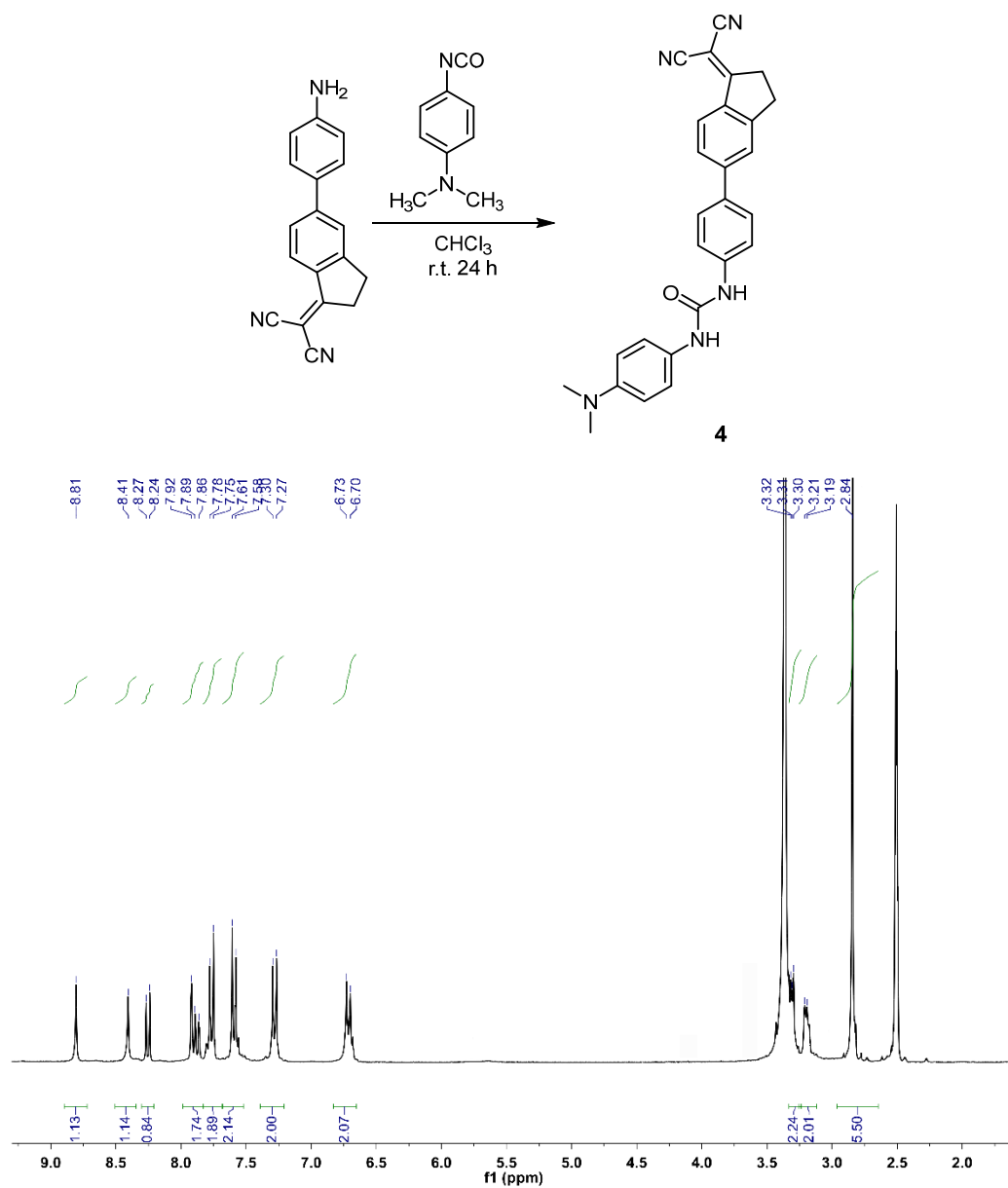


Figure S14: ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 300 MHz) of 1-[4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)phenyl]-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene-indan-5-yl)phenyl)]urea 4

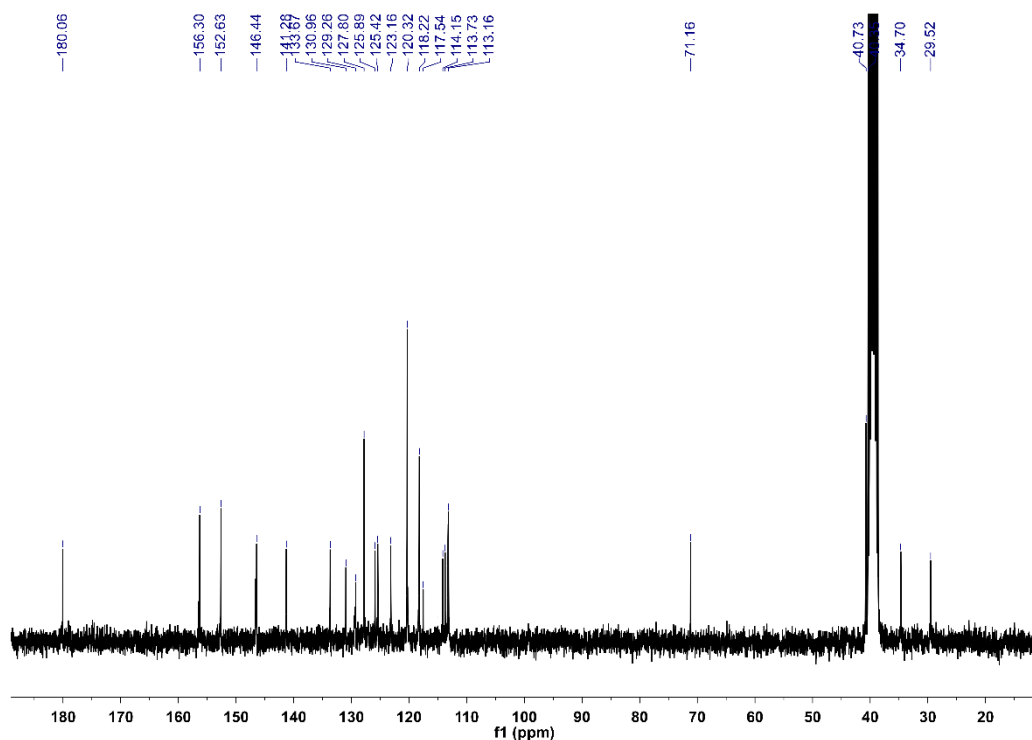


Figure S15: ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of 1-[4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)phenyl]-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene-indan-5-yl)phenyl)urea] 4

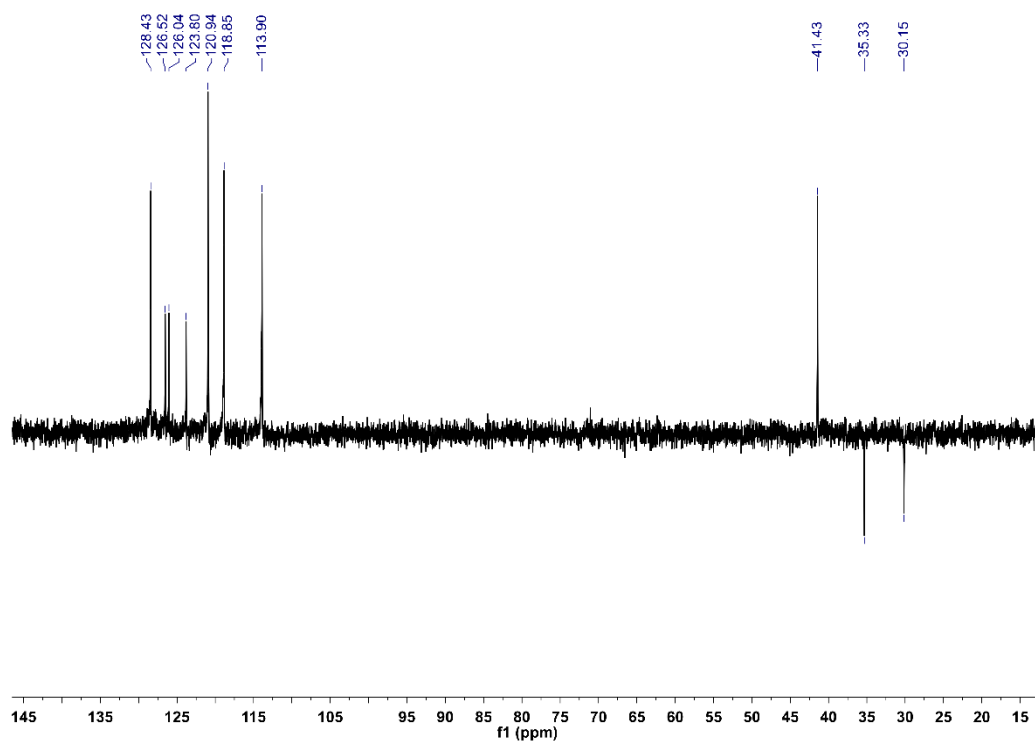


Figure S16: DEPT (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of 1-[4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)phenyl]-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethylene-indan-5-yl)phenyl)urea] 4

Synthesis of 1-(4-methylthiophenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)-phenyl)]urea 5:

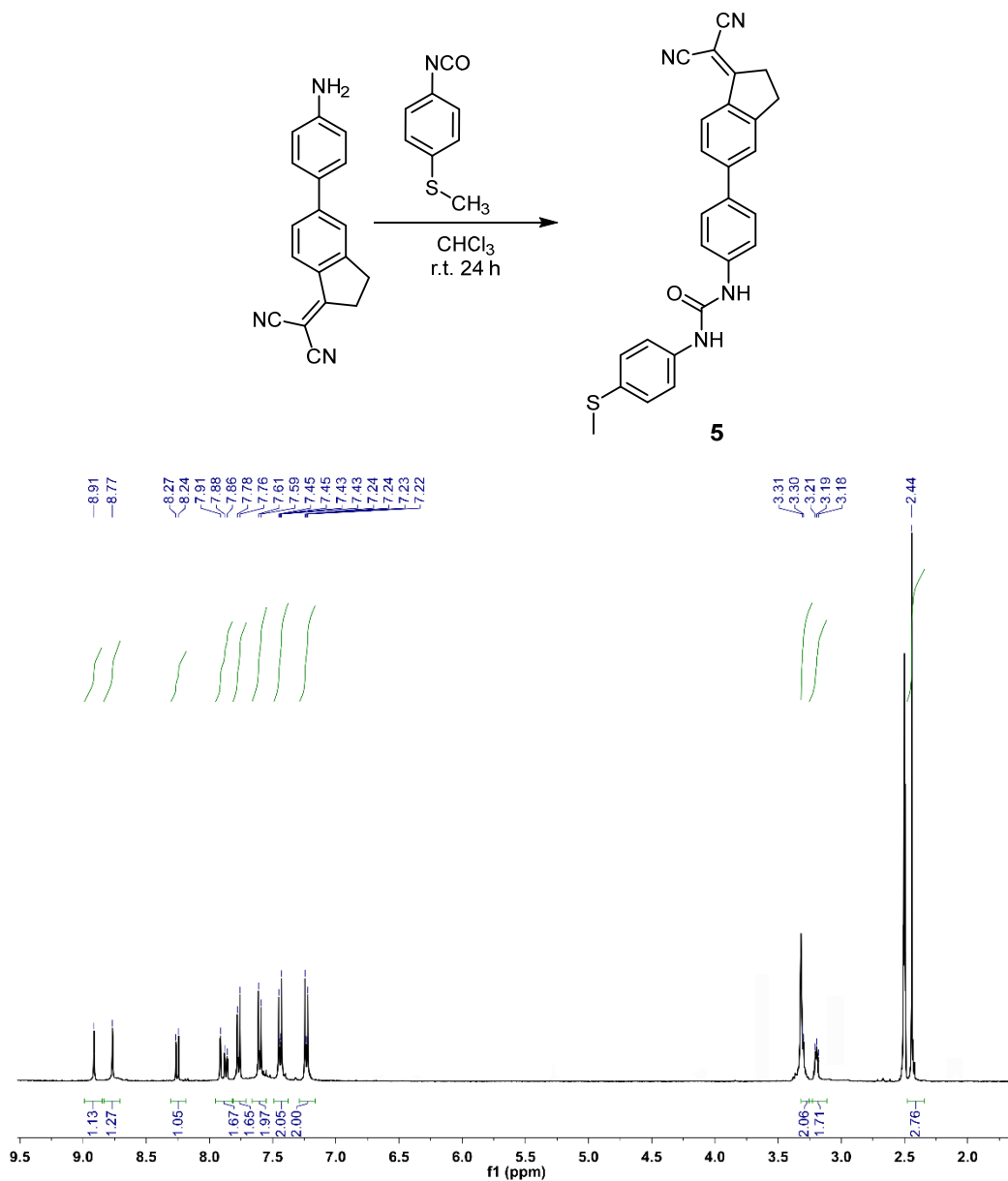


Figure S17: $^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO- d_6 , 300 MHz) of 1-(4-methylthiophenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)-phenyl)]urea 5

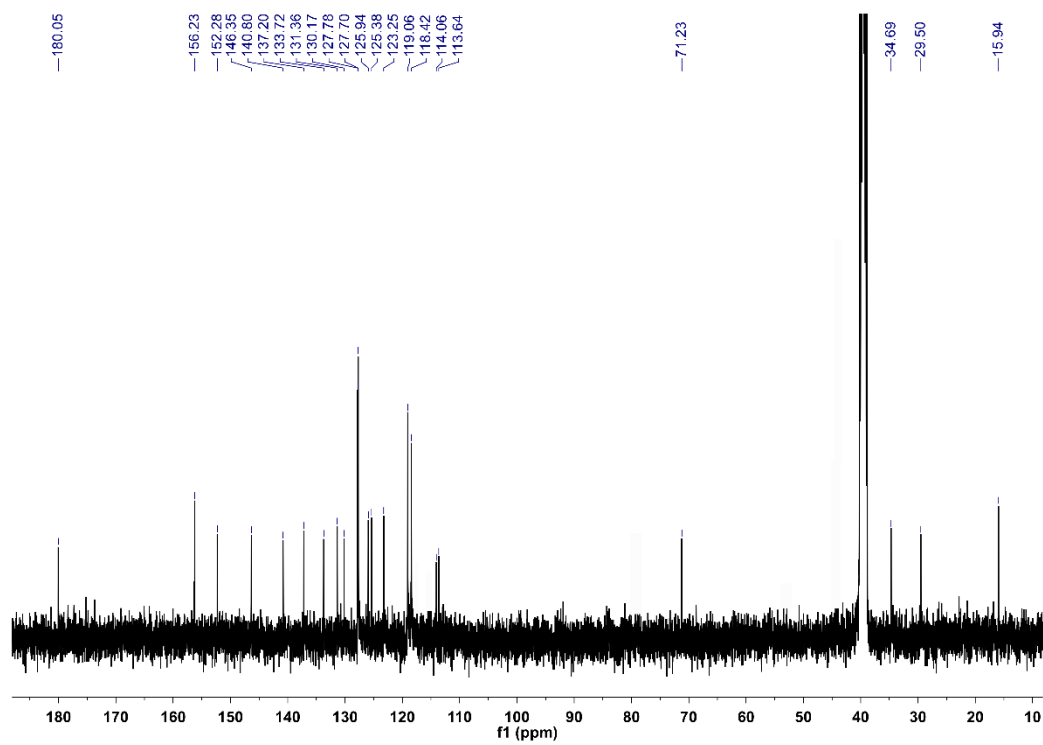


Figure S18: ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of 1-(4-methylthiophenyl)-3-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)-phenyl]urea 5

Synthesis of *N,N*-bis-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenyl)pyridine-2,6-dicarboxamide 6:

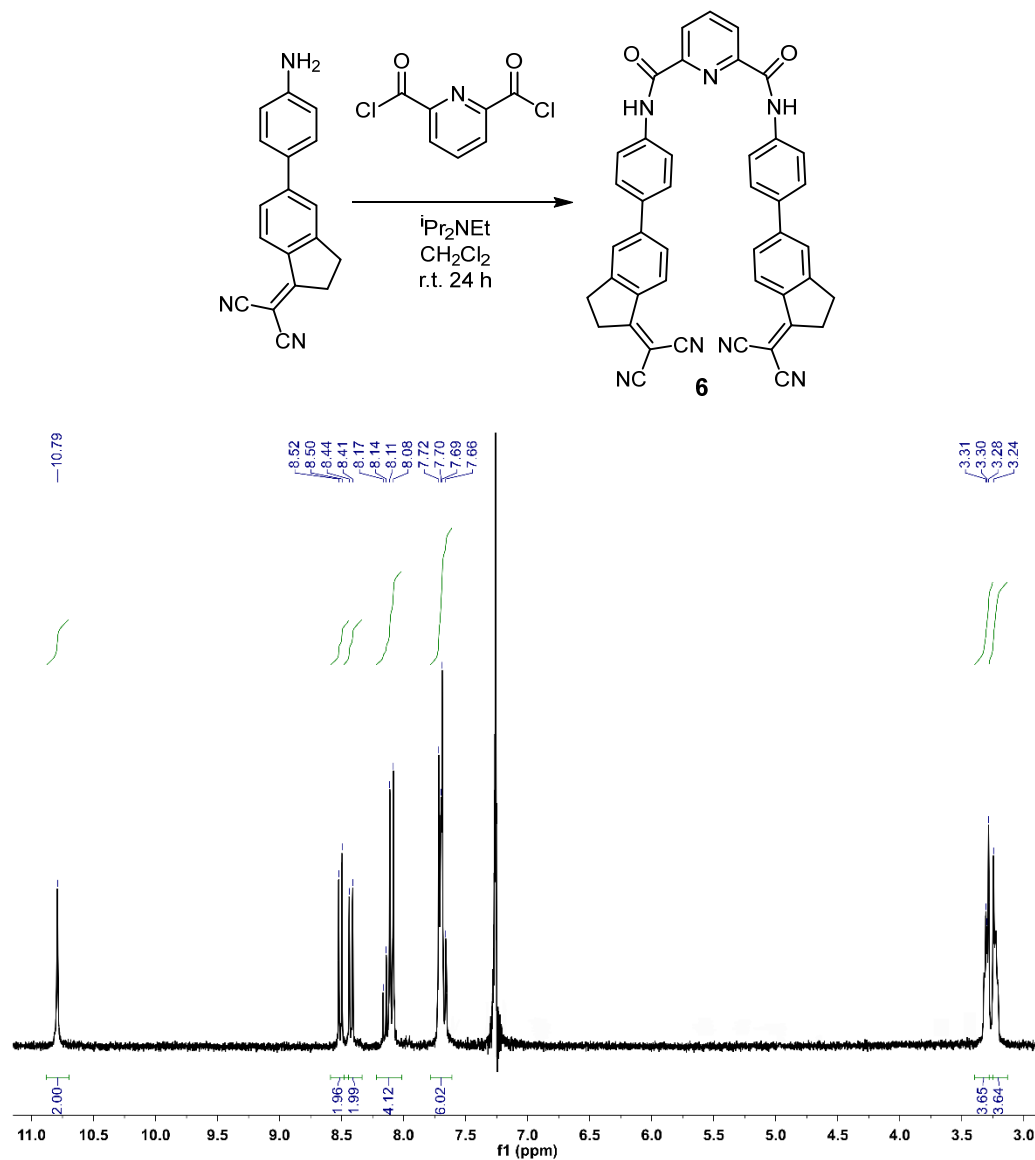


Figure S19: ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) of *N,N*-bis-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenyl)pyridine-2,6-dicarboxamide 6

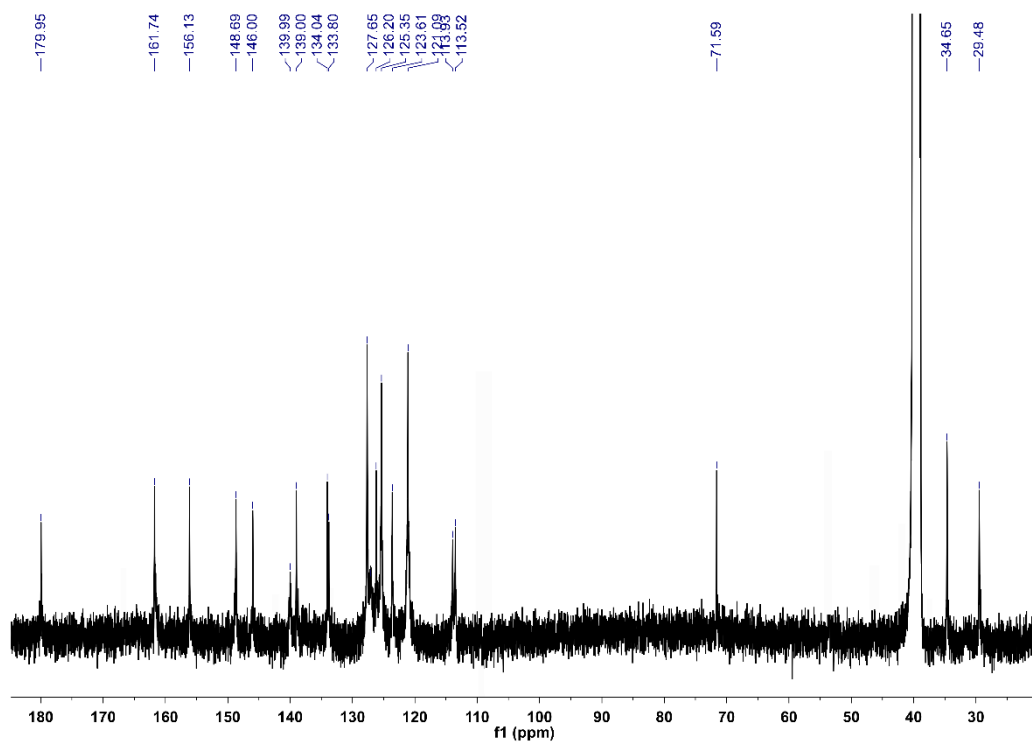


Figure S20: ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of *N,N*-bis-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenyl)pyridine-2,6-dicarboxamide 6

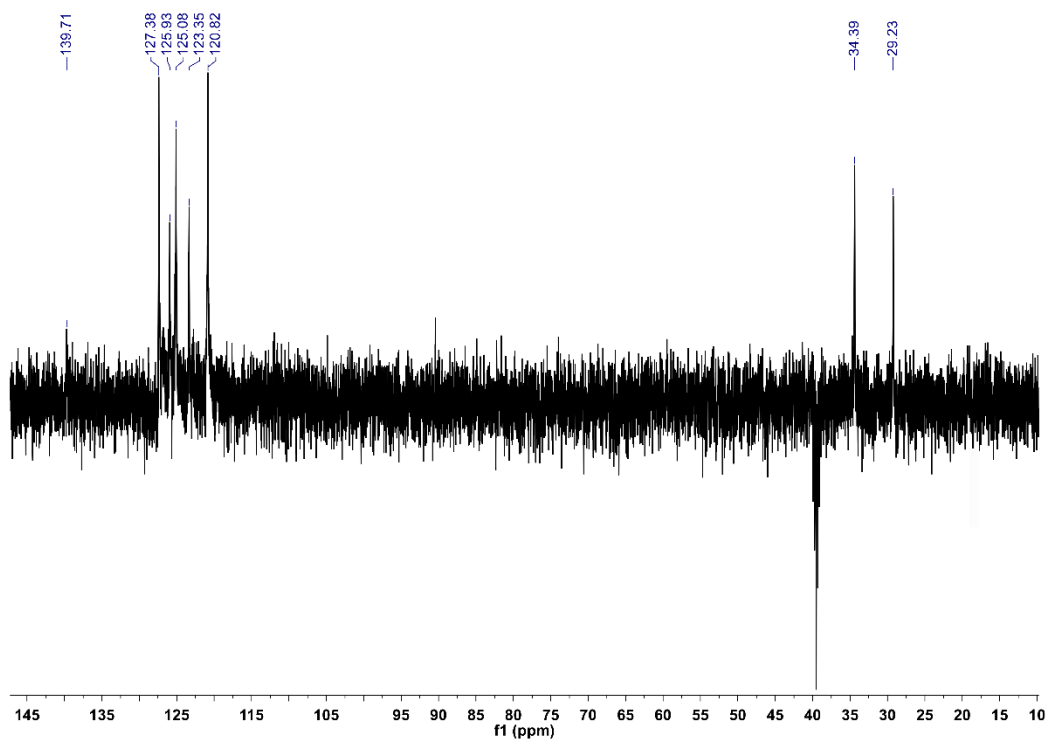


Figure S21: DEPT (DMSO- d_6 , 75 MHz) of *N,N*-bis-[4-(1-(dicyanomethyleneindan-5-yl)phenyl)pyridine-2,6-dicarboxamide 6

Synthesis of 6-(piperidin-1-yl)-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarboxylic acid

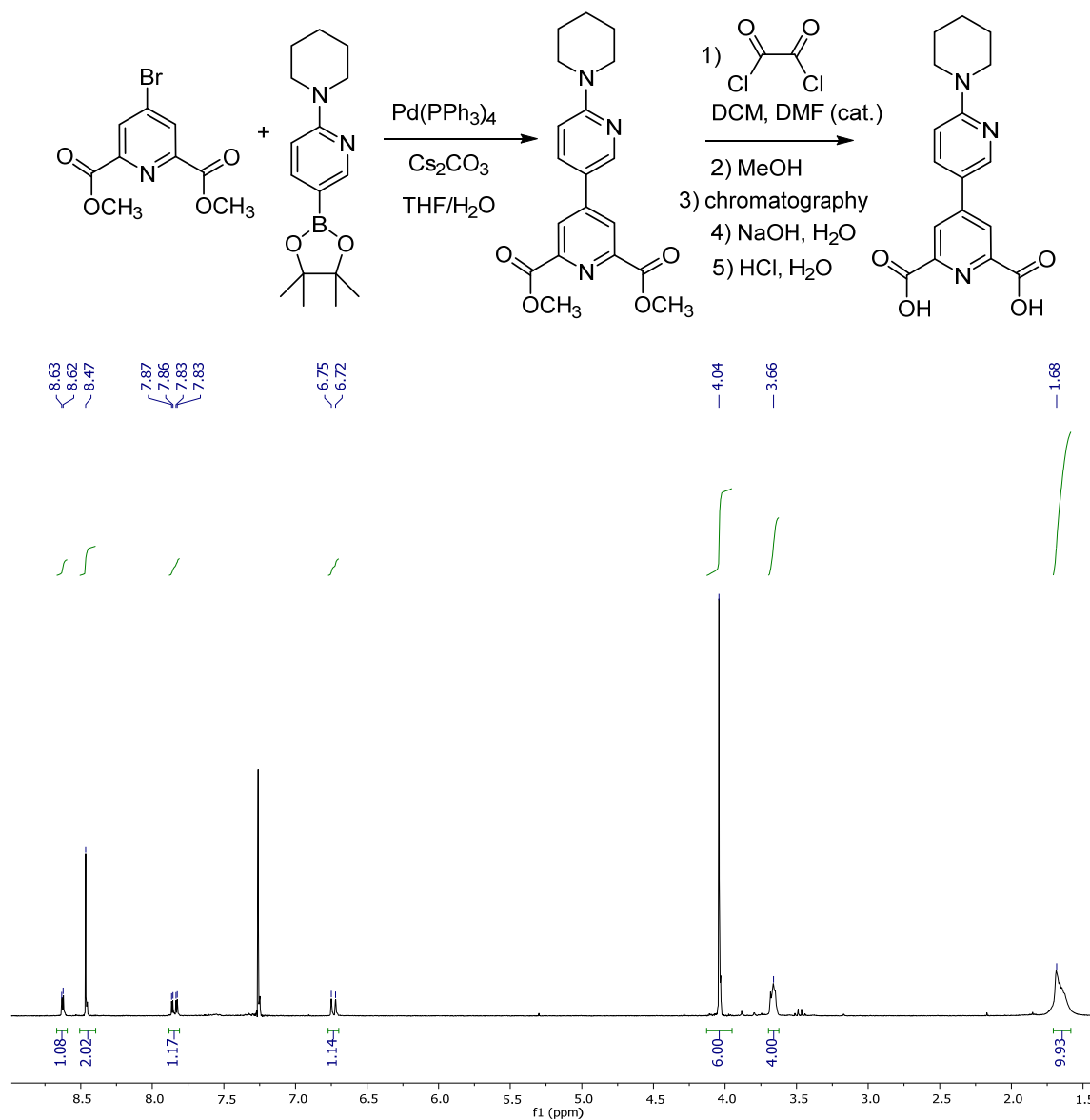


Figure S22: ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz) of dimethyl 6-(piperidin-1-yl)-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarboxylate

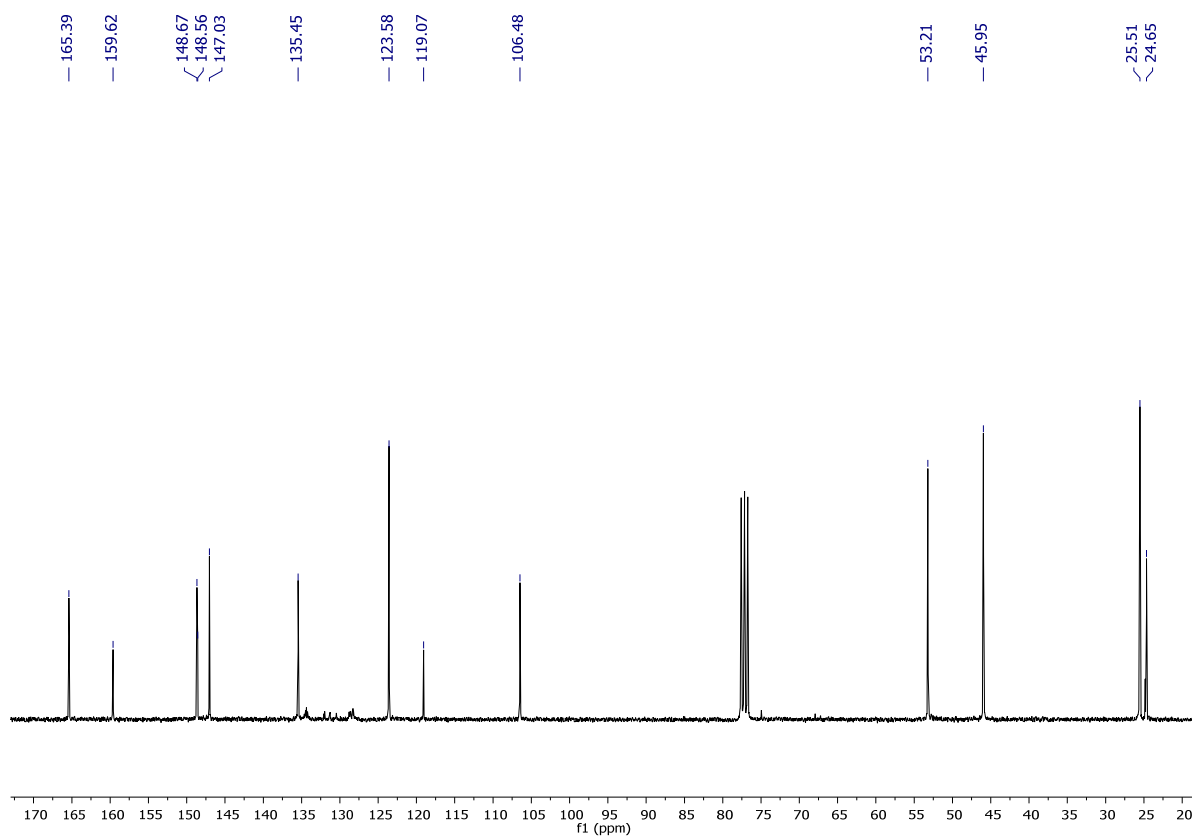


Figure S23: ^{13}C -NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz) of dimethyl 6-(piperidin-1-yl)-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarboxylate

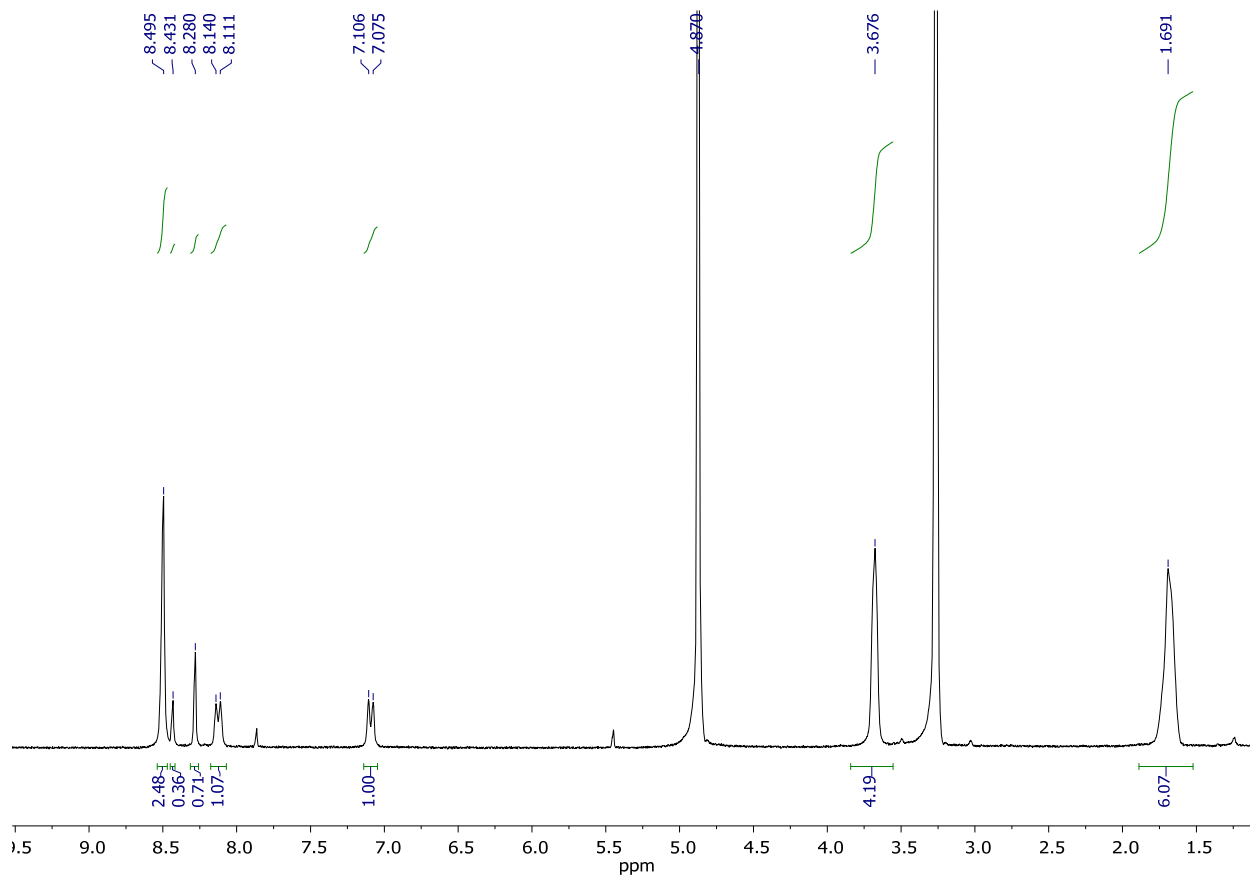


Figure S24: ^1H -NMR (CD_3OD , 300 MHz) of 6-(piperidin-1-yl)-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarboxylic acid.

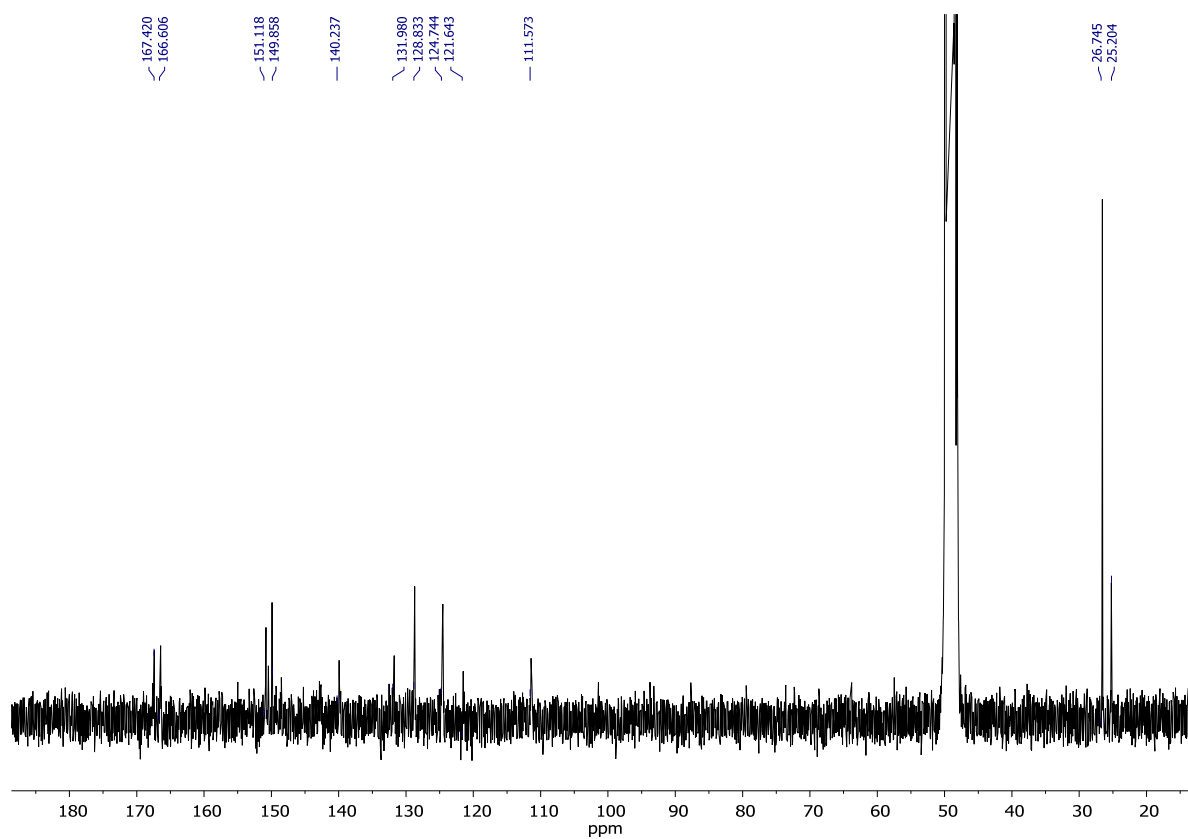
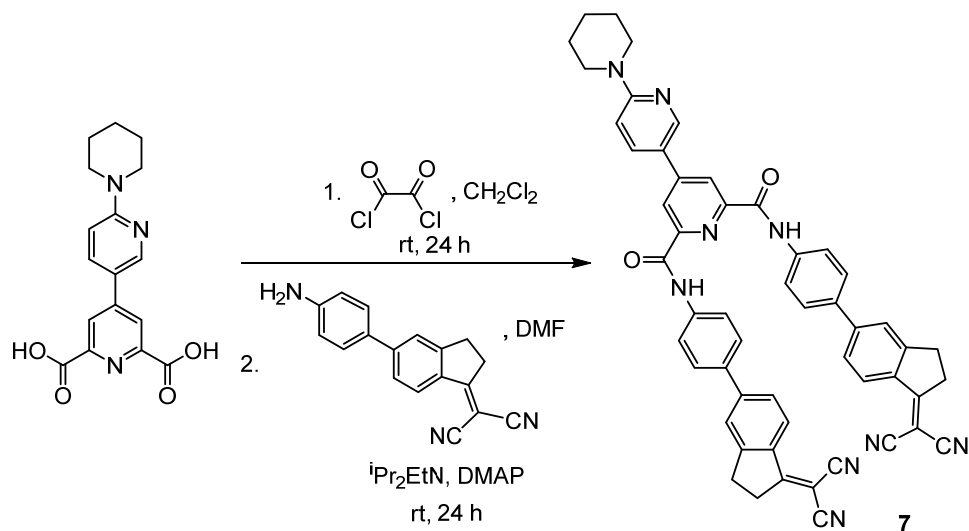


Figure S25: ^{13}C -NMR (CD_3OD , 75 MHz) of 6-(piperidin-1-yl)-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarboxylic acid.

Synthesis of 5,5'-(((6-cyclohexyl-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarbonyl)bis(piperazine-4,1-diyl))bis(pyridine-6,3-diyl))bis(indan-1-one) 7:



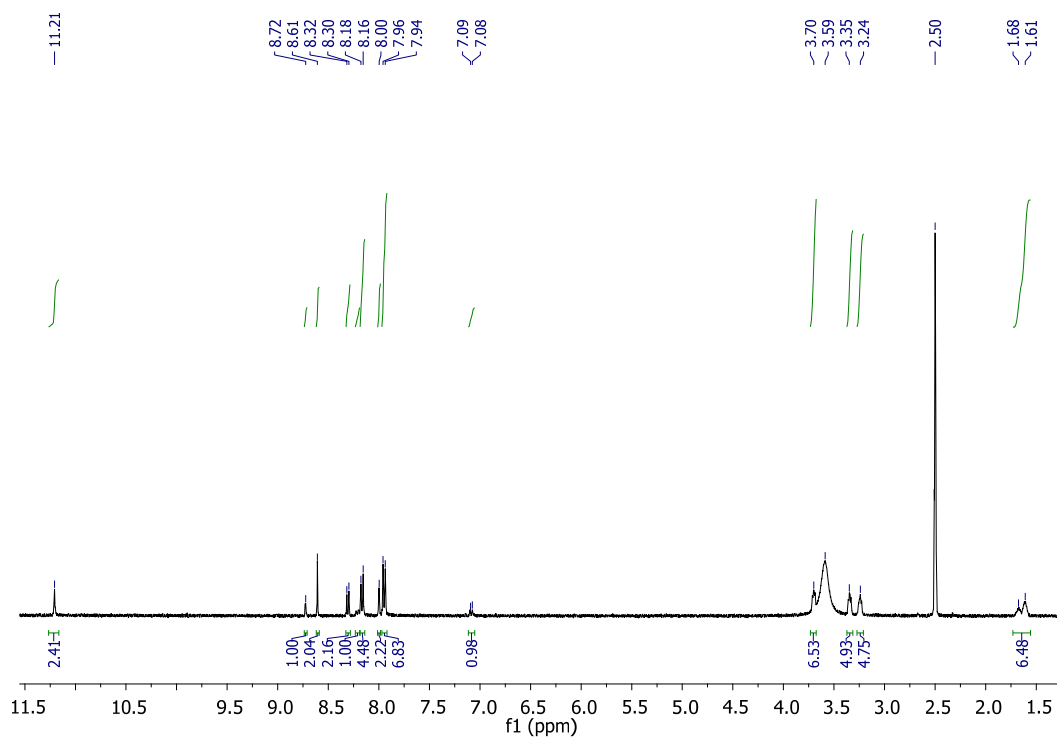


Figure S26: ¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 400 MHz) of 5,5'-(((6-cyclohexyl-[3,4'-bipyridine]-2',6'-dicarbonyl)bis(piperazine-4,1-diyl))bis(pyridine-6,3-diyl))bis(indan-1-one) 7

Additional EPR measurements:

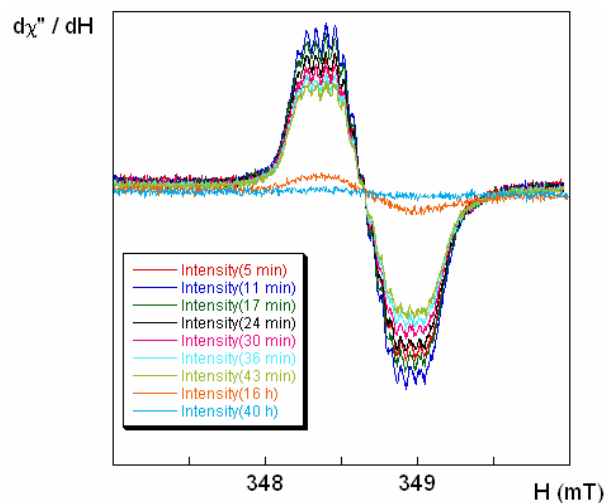


Figure S27. Evolution with time of the EPR spectra in the interaction of **1 and pyrrolidine at room temperature.** The experiment starts when 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of pyrrolidine in DMSO were added over a mixture prepared 1 h before that contains 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of **1** in DMSO, 100 μl of water, 100 μl of acetone and 100 μl of DMSO. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. Experimental details of the data collection: modulation amplitude 0.1 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW and microwave frequency 9.7410 (5 min), 9.7410 (11 min), 9.7410 (17 min), 9.7410 (24 min), 9.7460 (30 min), 9.7410 (36 min), 9.7410 (43 min), 9.7410 (16 h), 9.7760 (40 h) GHz.

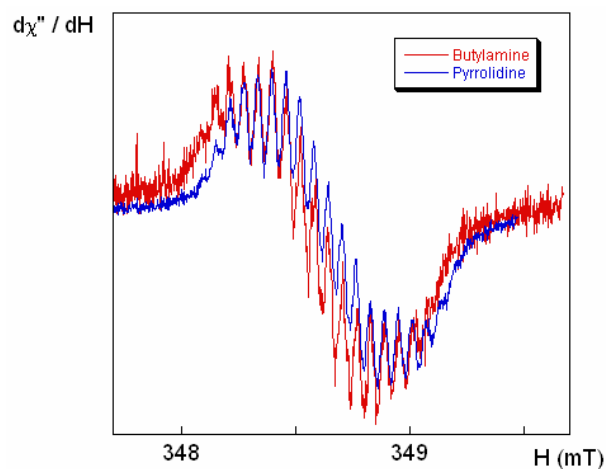


Figure S28. Comparison between the EPR spectra of **6 after addition of pyrrolidine or butylamine (10^{-2} M solution in DMSO).** The experimental conditions are the same given for the pyrrolidine in Figure S27. The microwave frequency in the case of the butylamine is 9.7750 GHz.

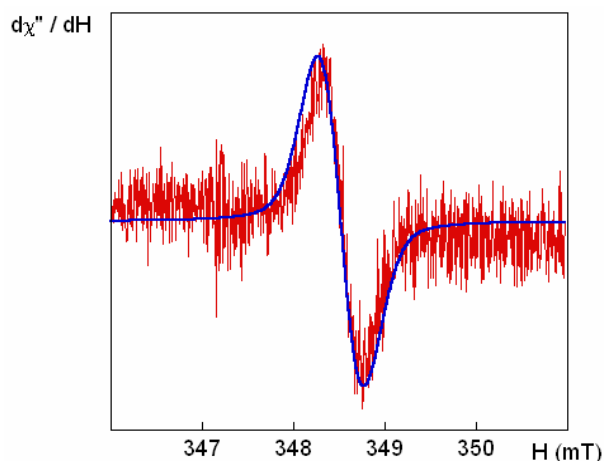


Figure S29. Room-temperature X-band EPR spectrum of 1 after addition of DABCO (in red) and the best fit (in blue). Experimental details: 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of **1** in DMSO, 100 μl of water, 100 μl of acetone and 100 μl of DMSO were allowed to mix for 220 min. Then, 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of DABCO in DMSO were added. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. Data collection: modulation amplitude 0.1 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW and microwave frequency 9.7729 GHz.

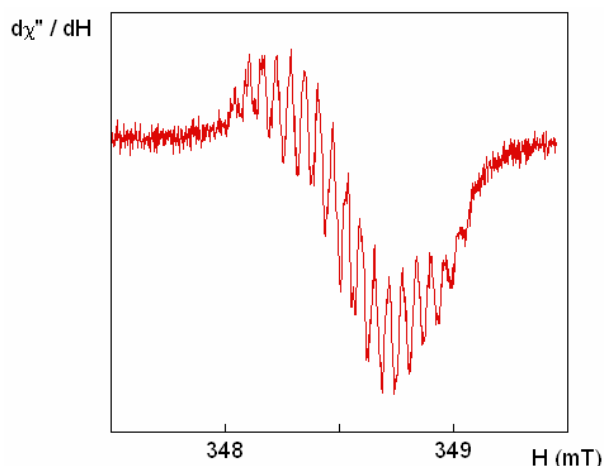


Figure S30. EPR spectrum of the interaction of 1 with tetrabutylammonium cyanide. Experimental details: 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of **1** in DMSO, 100 μl of water, 100 μl of acetone and 100 μl of DMSO were allowed to mix for 220 min. Then, 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of tetrabutylammonium cyanide in DMSO were added. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. The present spectrum was recorded 28 min after the beginning of the experiment. Data collection: modulation amplitude 0.02 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW and microwave frequency 9.7737 GHz.

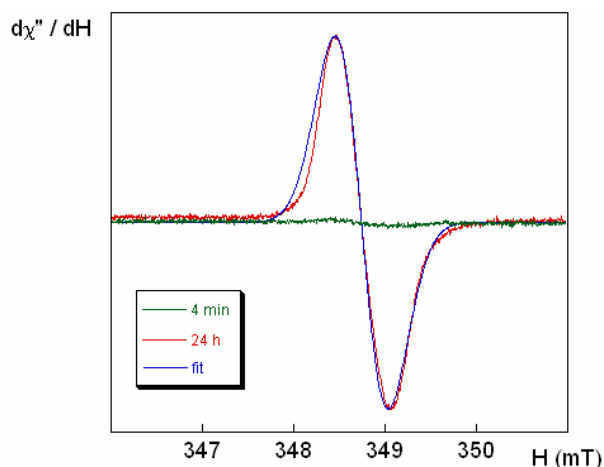


Figure S31. Evolution with time of the EPR spectra in the interaction of 1 and an aqueous solution of NaOH 1 M at room temperature. The fit for the 24 h experiment is given in blue. The experiment starts when 50 μl of aqueous NaOH 1 M were added over a mixture prepared 2 h before that contains 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of **1** in DMSO, 50 μl of water, 100 μl

of acetone and 200 μl of DMSO. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. Experimental details of the data collection: modulation amplitude 0.1 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW and microwave frequency 9.7771 (4 min), 9.7763 (24 h) GHz.

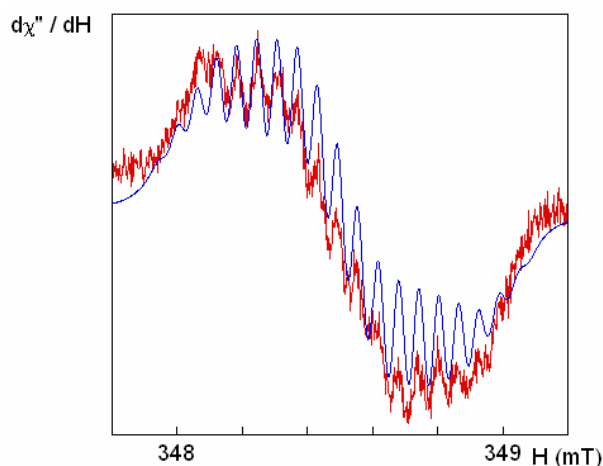


Figure S32. EPR spectrum of the interaction of 2 with pyrrolidine. In blue is given the fit described in text (see Figure S27). Experimental details: 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of **2** in DMSO, 100 μl of water and 100 μl of DMSO were allowed to mix for 1 h. Then, 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of pyrrolidine in DMSO were added. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. The present spectrum was recorded 14 min after the beginning of the experiment. Data collection: modulation amplitude 0.02 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW, the spectrum is averaged from 3 scans and microwave frequency 9.7726 GHz.

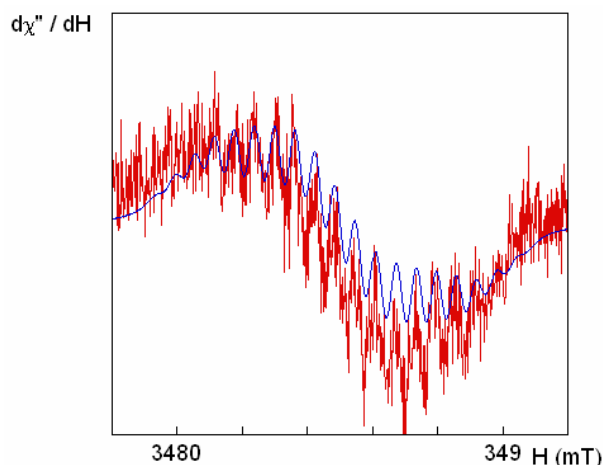


Figure S33. EPR spectrum of the interaction of 3 with pyrrolidine. In blue is given the fit described in text (see Figure S27). Experimental details: 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of **3** in DMSO, 100 μl of water and 100 μl of DMSO were allowed to mix for 1 h. Then, 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of pyrrolidine in DMSO were added. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. The present spectrum was recorded 10 min after the beginning of the experiment. Data collection: modulation amplitude 0.02 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW, the spectrum is averaged from 3 scans and microwave frequency 9.7724 GHz.

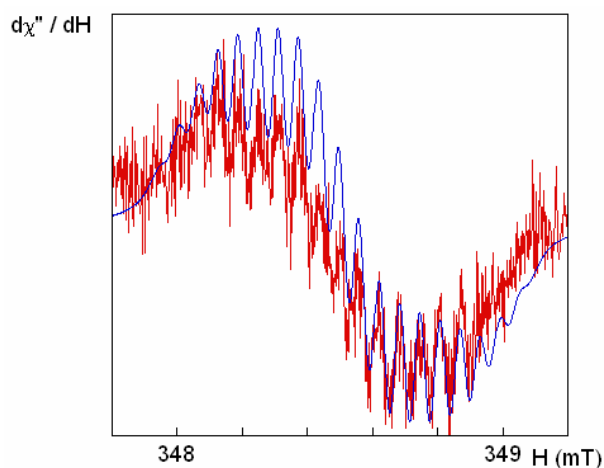


Figure S34. EPR spectrum of the interaction of 4 with pyrrolidine. In blue is given the fit described in text (see Figure S27). Experimental details: 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of 4 in DMSO, 100 μl of water and 100 μl of DMSO were allowed to mix for 1 h. Then, 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of pyrrolidine in DMSO were added. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. The present spectrum was recorded 10 min after the beginning of the experiment. Data collection: modulation amplitude 0.02 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW, the spectrum is averaged from 3 scans and microwave frequency 9.7727 GHz.

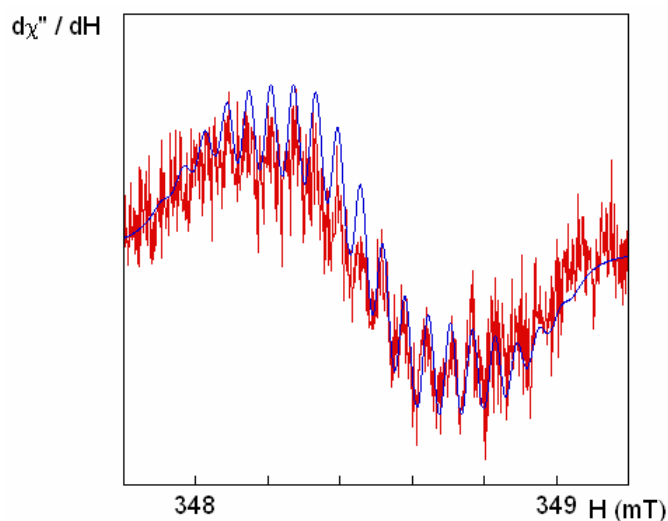


Figure S35. EPR spectrum of the interaction of 5 with pyrrolidine. In blue is given the fit described in text (see Figure S27). Experimental details: 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of 5 in DMSO, 100 μl of water and 100 μl of DMSO were allowed to mix for 1 h. Then, 100 μl of a 10^{-2} M solution of pyrrolidine in DMSO were added. After shaking, 200 μl of the mixture were pipetted into a flat cell. The present spectrum was recorded 11 min after the beginning of the experiment. Data collection: modulation amplitude 0.02 mT, time constant 40.96 ms, conversion time 327.68 ms, gain $6.32 \cdot 10^4$, power 20 mW, the spectrum is averaged from 3 scans and microwave frequency 9.7716 GHz.

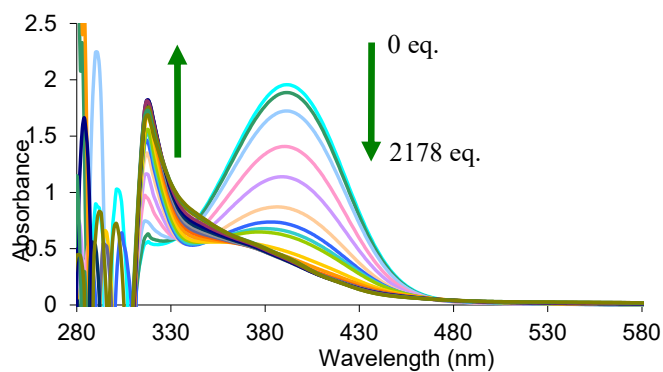
UV-Vis titrations:

Procedure

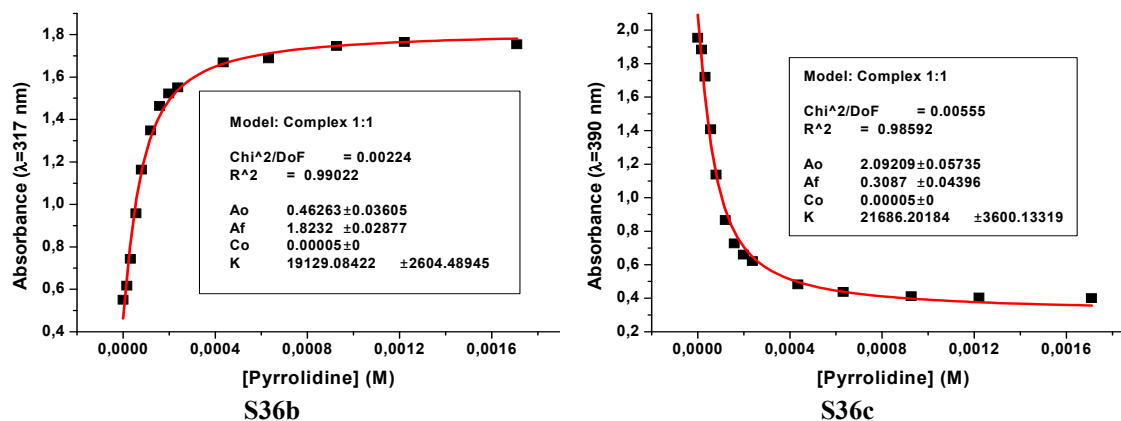
The experimental procedure consisted of placing the solution of **1** in the cuvette, adding with a microsyringe a certain number of equivalents of pyrrolidine, shaking the cuvette and recording the absorption spectrum obtained in each case for every 1:pyrrolidine ratio. As a result of the addition of pyrrolidine, the colour paled from orange to yellow.

Titration with pyrrolidine in 3:1:1 (v/v) DMSO/water/acetone

The absorption band centred at 390 nm decreases meanwhile another absorption band centred at 317 nm increases. There is an isosbestic point at 340 nm that disappears for excesses larger than 1 equiv of pyrrolidine.



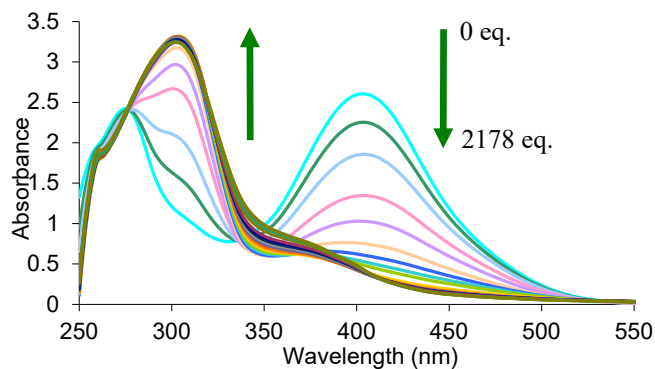
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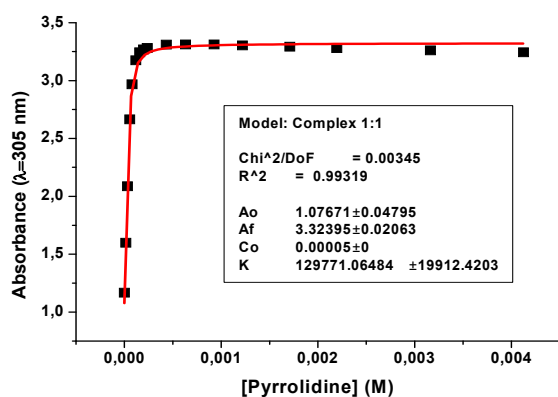
Figures S36a-c. (a) Absorption spectra and absorbance titration profiles fitted at (b) $\lambda_{\text{abs}} = 317$ nm or (c) $\lambda_{\text{abs}} = 390$ nm of **8a** in 3:1:1 (v/v) DMSO/water/acetone with several pyrrolidine additions. ($C_{8a} = 5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M).

Titration with pyrrolidine in DMSO

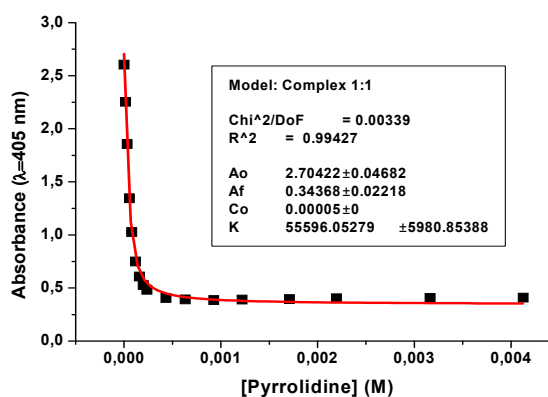
The absorption band centred at 405 nm decreases meanwhile another absorption band centred at 305 nm increases. There is an isosbestic point at 336 nm that disappears for excesses larger than 1 equiv of pyrrolidine.



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S37c

Figures S37a-c. (a) Absorption spectra and absorbance titration profiles fitted at (b) $\lambda_{\text{abs}}=305$ nm or (c) $\lambda_{\text{abs}}=405$ nm of 8a in DMSO with several pyrrolidine additions. ($C_{8a}=5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M).

Fluorescence measurements:

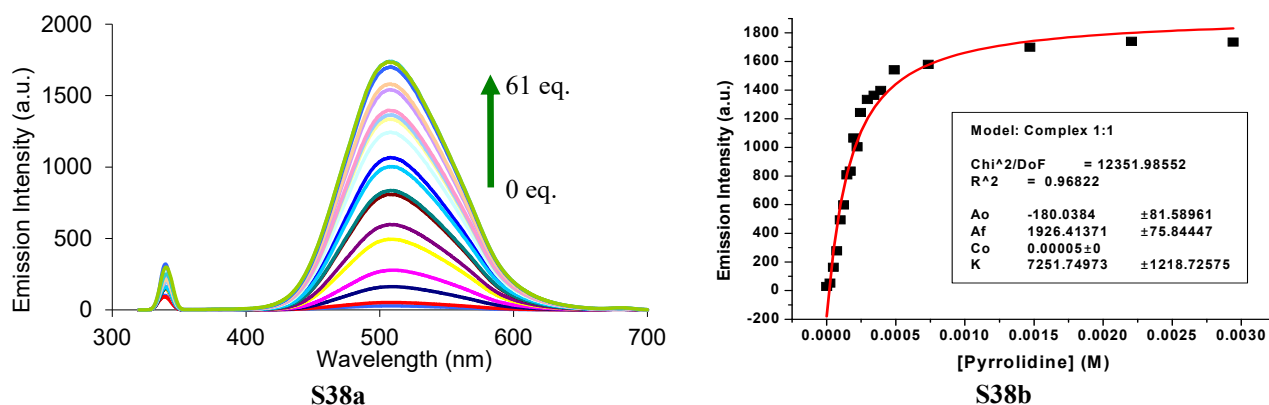
The detection of amines by the probe **1** can be followed by fluorescence measurements considering a two steps process, because the kinetic effect observed is very sharp. It consists of an initial extremely fast increase in the fluorescence followed by a very slow process of fluorescence intensity decay. The first step is related with the formation of a complex between the probe and the analyte and can be studied kinetically by using ultrafast techniques such as stopped flow or by fluorescent titrations measuring different ratios **1**:pyrrolidine immediately after the addition of the amine ($t=0$). On the other hand, the second step corresponds to the decay of the complex, which can be studied by recording the fluorescence decay over time under pseudo-first order conditions (big excess of pyrrolidine): $\mathbf{1} + \text{Pyrrolidine} \leftrightarrow \text{Complex} \rightarrow (\text{Decomp.})$

Pyrrolidine was selected as an example of secondary amine. The mechanisms was extrapolated to many other amines, such as the biogenic amines. Therefore, the results were compared between pyrrolidine, histamine, putrescine and cadaverine. Then, real samples of fish were studied upon decomposition and the possibility of using as an intelligent label was studied.

Fluorescent titration with pyrrolidine: The experimental procedure consisted of placing the solution of **1** in the cuvette, adding with a microsyringe a certain number of equivalents of pyrrolidine, shaking the cuvette and, immediately after de addition, recording the emission spectrum obtained in each case for every **1**:pyrrolidine ratio. The same procedure is repeated for each different **1**:pyrrolidine ratio. In order to compare with other amines, the spectra were also measured in DMSO solution.

a) Titration with pyrrolidine in 3:1:1 (v/v) DMSO/water/acetone

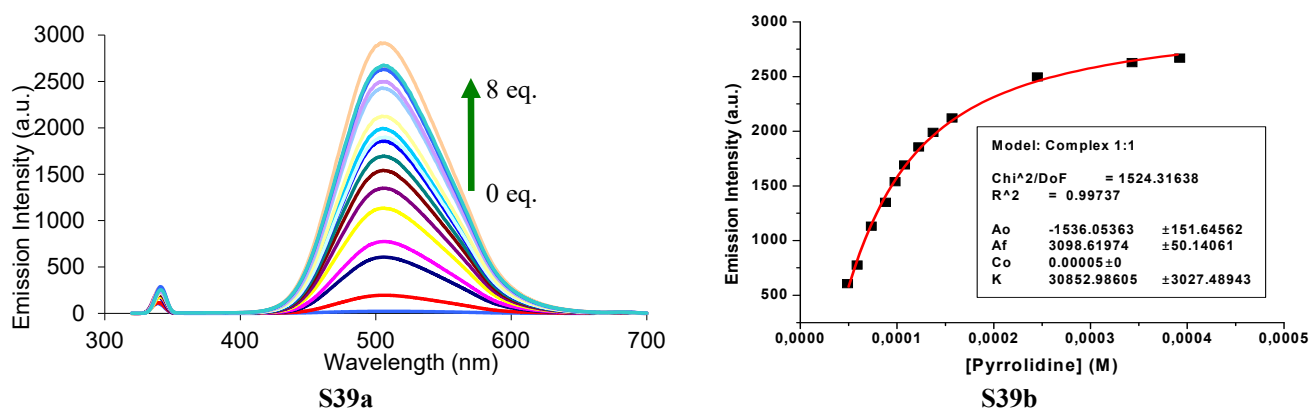
The emission band centred at 507 nm increases with the concentration of pyrrolidine. $\lambda_{\text{exc}}=340$ nm.



Figures S38a-b. (a) Emission spectra and (b) emission intensity titration profile fitted at $\lambda_{\text{em}}=507$ nm of **8a** in 3:1:1 (v/v) DMSO/water/acetone with several pyrrolidine additions. ($C_{8a}=5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M).

b) Titration with pyrrolidine in DMSO:

The emission band centred at 507 nm increases with the concentration of pyrrolidine. $\lambda_{\text{exc}}=336$ nm.

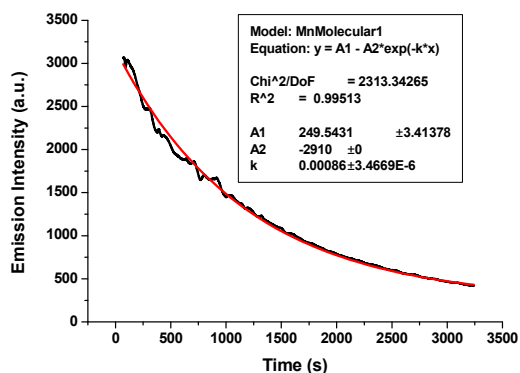


Figures S39a-c. (a) Emission spectra and (b) emission intensity titration profile fitted at $\lambda_{\text{em}}=507$ nm of **8a** in DMSO with several pyrrolidine additions. ($C_{8a}=5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M).

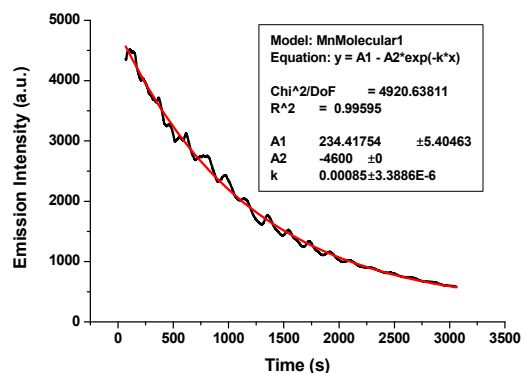
Kinetic measurements with pyrrolidine

In this section, the evolution of the fluorescence over time of **1** in presence of high excesses of pyrrolidine is presented. The experimental procedure consisted of placing the solution of **1** in a fluorescence cuvette, adding with a microsyringe a certain number of equivalents of pyrrolidine, shaking the cuvette and recording the emission intensity emission at the maximum emission wavelength ($\lambda_{exc}= 340$ nm; $\lambda_{em}= 506$ nm; $T= 25$ °C) for every **1**:pyrrolidine ratio. The curves obtained were fitted to first order rate law equation to obtain the rate constant (k).

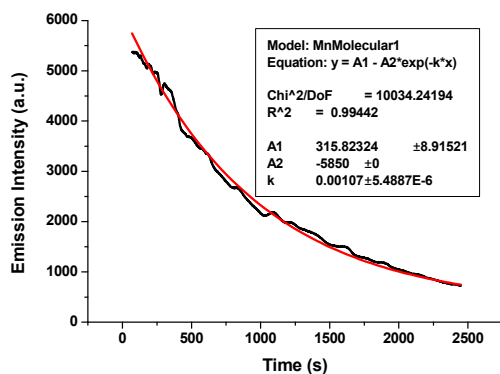
$$Y_t = Y_\infty - (Y_\infty - Y_0)e^{-kt}$$



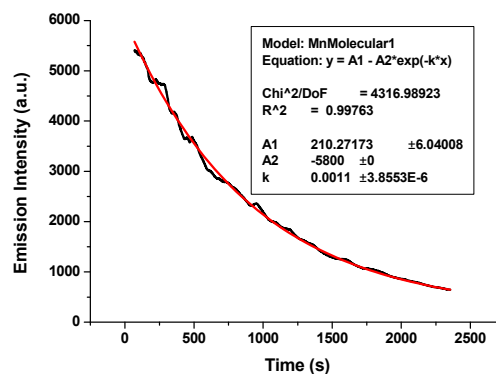
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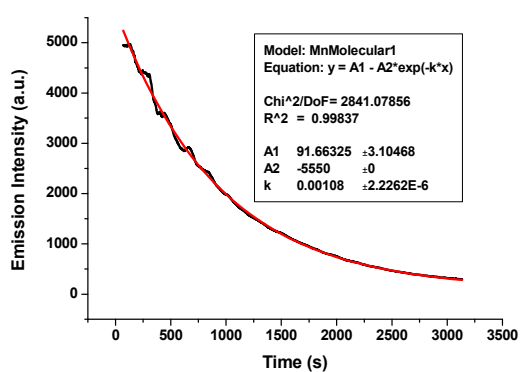
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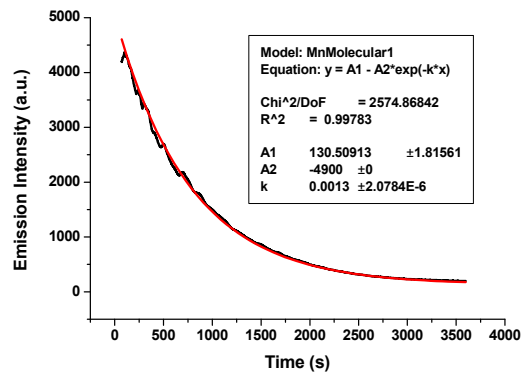
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Figures S40a-h. Fluorescence measured (black line) and fitting curve (red line) for the fluorescence intensity decay process of a (a) 10:1, (b) 20:1, (c) 25:1, (d) 30:1, (e) 40:1 or (f) 50:1 (Pyrrolidine:1) concentration ratios in 3:1:1 (v/v) DMSO/water/acetone. ($C_{8a}= 5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M).

C _{Pyrrolidine} :C ₁	A1	A2	k	R ²
10:1	249.54	-2910	0.00086	0.995
20:1	234.42	-4600	0.00085	0.996
25:1	315.82	-5890	0.00107	0.994
30:1	210.27	-5800	0.00110	0.998
40:1	91.66	-5550	0.00108	0.998
50:1	130.51	-4900	0.00130	0.998

Table 1. Parameters obtained by the fitting of each Pyrrolidine:1 concentration ratios.

Plotting the rate constants calculated versus pyrrolidine concentration allowed us to obtain the equilibrium constant:

$$k_{v,obs} = k_1([Pyr.]_0) + k_2$$

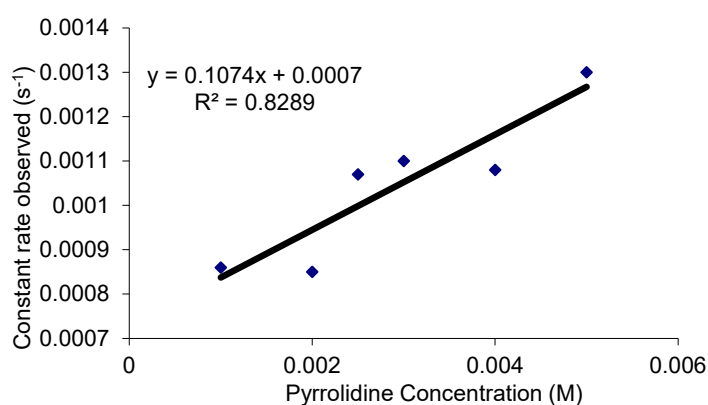


Figure S41. Representation of the rate constant observed versus pyrrolidine concentration.

According to these results and after validating the regression by using least median of squares, a mathematical tool to eliminate outliers, an equilibrium constant of $147.16 \pm 49.14 \text{ M}^{-1}$ was achieved for the decomposition process taking place after the 1:Pyrrolidine complex formation.

Detection of biogenic amines:

Quantum Yield Measurements:

Quantum yields was measured for **1** in the presence of pyrrolidine, used as reference, and histamine, putrescine and cadaverine. **1** was dissolved in DMSO, the reference was quinine sulfate in H₂SO₄ 0.05M.

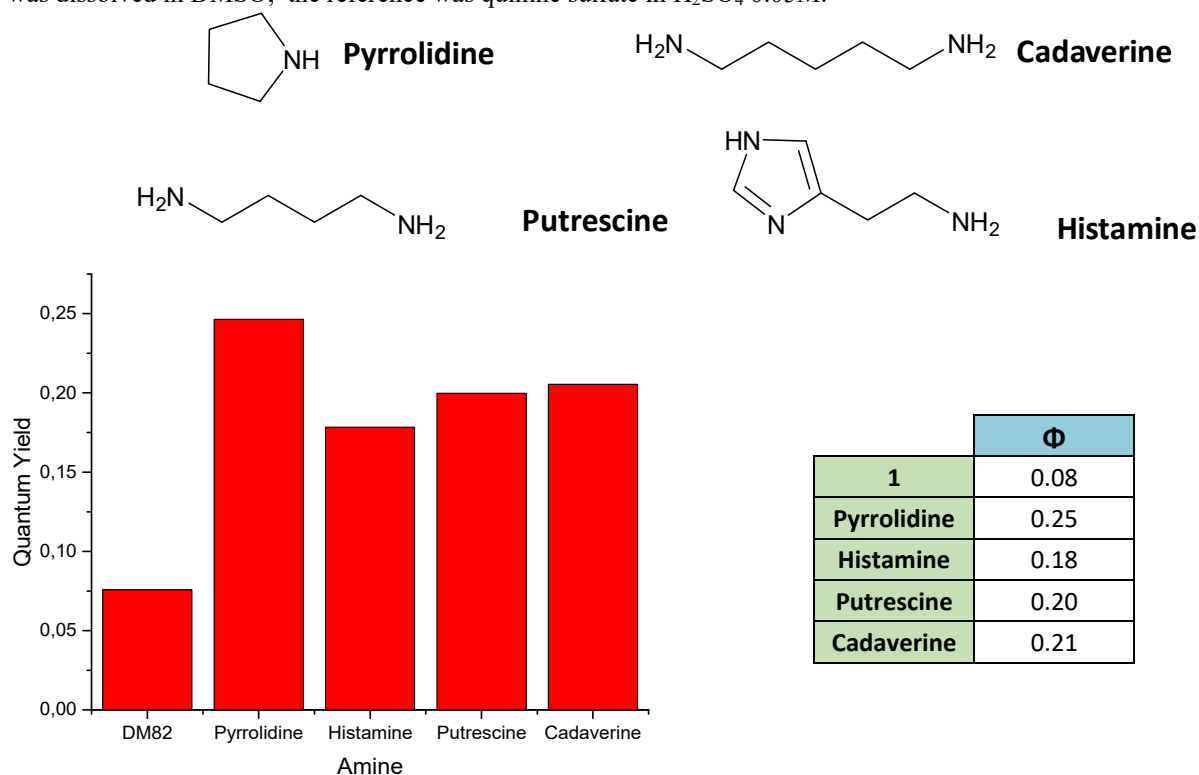


Figure S42. Quantum Yield of different combinations between **1** and amines in DMSO, comparison between: pyrrolidine, histamine, putrescine, cadaverine and without amine.

Measuring fish decay:



Figure S43. Experimental procedure for the incubation of samples at 25 °C.

The process was repeated three times and the results combined (after normalizing to 25 days result). The combination gives an exponential increase in the amines produced by the fish at 25 °C. This increase starts to be noticeable after 3-5 days, since that point the presence of biogenic amines is clear.

Measuring in supported probe:

Apart from the solution it was tested by the same way in gel, by this process, rotten fish is heated and the gas extracted to a vial that contains the gel sample:

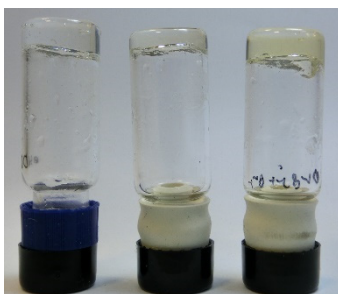


Figure S44. Samples of the gel 3.5 mg in 0.5 ml of DMSO (left), gel 4 mg in 0.5 ml of DMSO 10^{-5} M 1 (middle) and gel 4 mg in 0.5 ml of DMSO $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ M 1.

With the gel, the presence of amines in fish samples was tested by the way showed in the next picture:

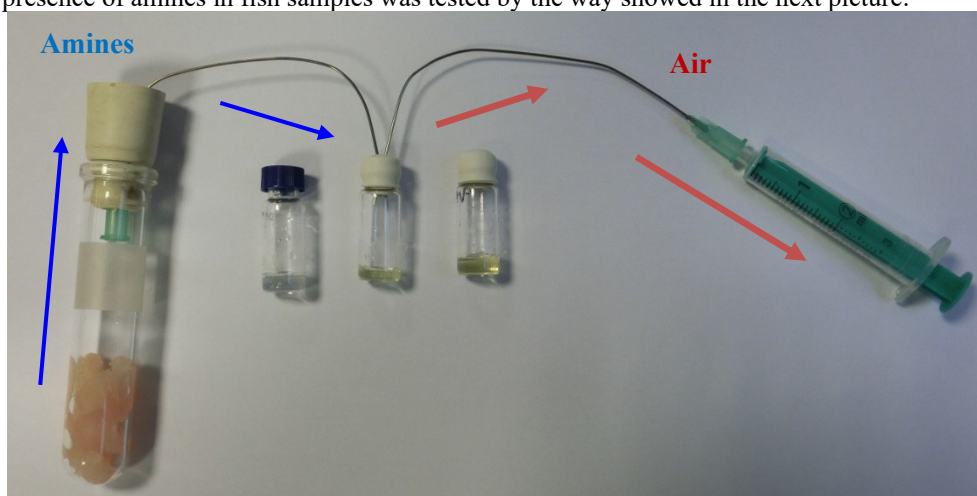


Figure S45. Mechanism of amines injection for the testing of the gel.

Quantum Chemical Calculations:

Geometric structure of compound **1** was optimized at the B3LYP/6-31G* level, in which the Becke three parameter functional¹ and the Lee-Yang-Parr correlation functional were used,² implemented in the Gaussian 03 (Revision C.02) program suite.³

Coordinates of the stationary point

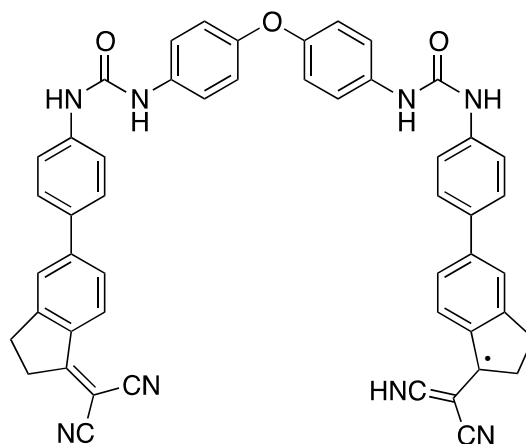


Figure S45

Standard orientation

Coordinates (Angstroms)

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	X	Y	Z
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Description of the molecular orbitals

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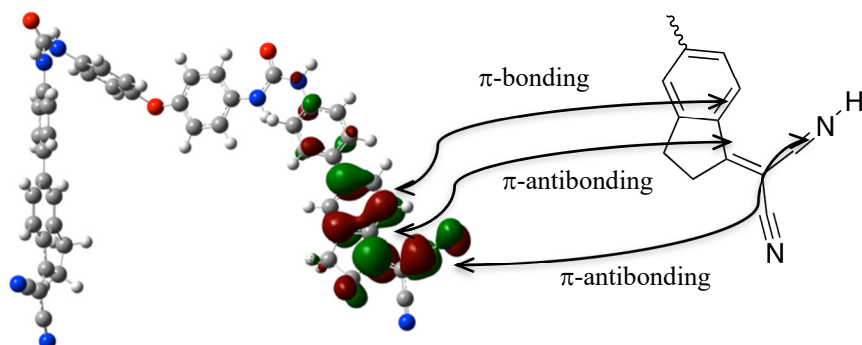


Figure S46: Single Occupied Molecular Orbital (SOMO) has mainly π -antibonding character located over the C=N bond of the protonated nitrogen and over the 1-indene carbon atom and the aryl group, as well as π -bonding over the aryl group bonded to the five members ring. The molecular orbital has slight contributions of σ -bonding interactions between hydrogen atoms and the former nitrile nitrogen atom and on carbon atom of the five membered ring.

SOMO+1:

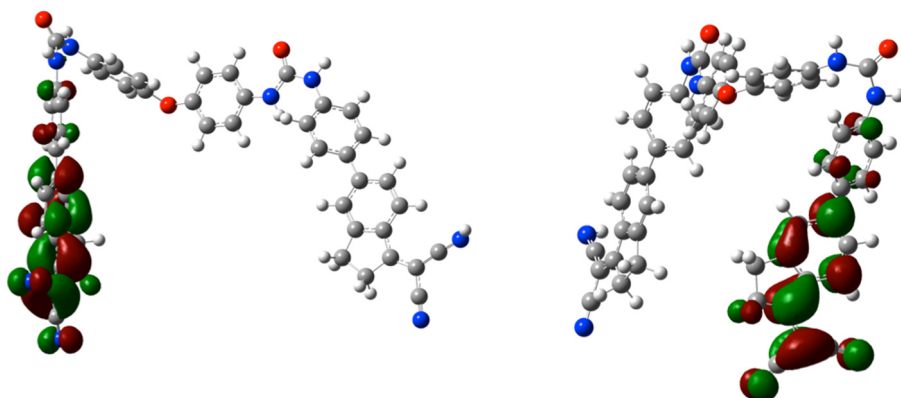


Figure S47: SOMO+1 is located on the arm of the molecule not affected by the formation of the radical. It has mainly π -antibonding character located over the aryl fragment near to the nitrile groups, and π -antibonding character in the nitrile groups. Nevertheless, this orbital has slight π -bonding character in the C-C interactions of the nitrile groups and the 1-indene carbon atom with the aryl fragment.

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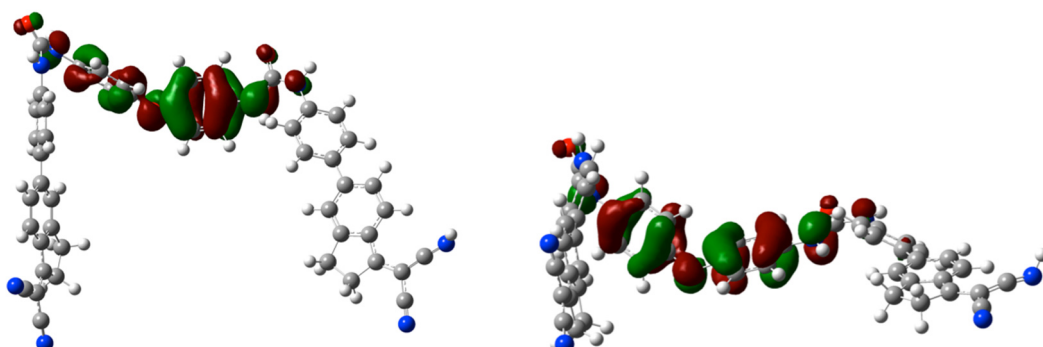


Figure S48: SOMO-1 is a π -bonding molecular orbital delocalized over the phenyl rings directly bonded to the ether oxygen atom and with slight π -antibonding interactions with a p orbital of this oxygen atom and with p orbitals of the urea nitrogen atoms.

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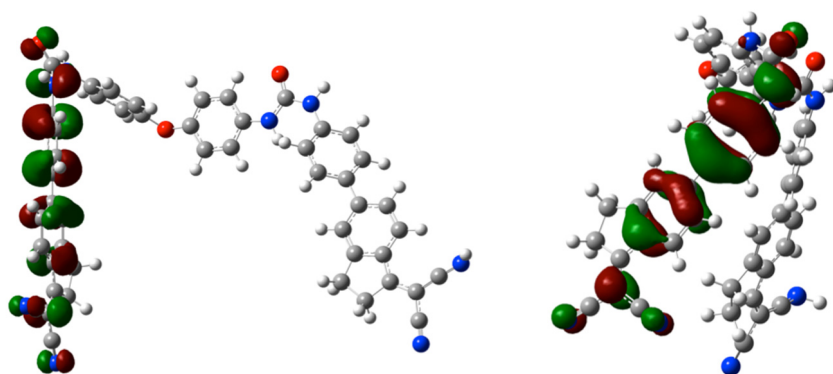


Figure S49: SOMO-2 is a π -bonding molecular orbital delocalized over the biphenyl rings of the arm not affected by the radical. There are also small contributions of p orbitals of the nitrile nitrogen atoms, the 1-indene exocyclic carbon atom, the oxygen atom and the nitrogen atom of the urea directly bonded to the biphenyl fragment.

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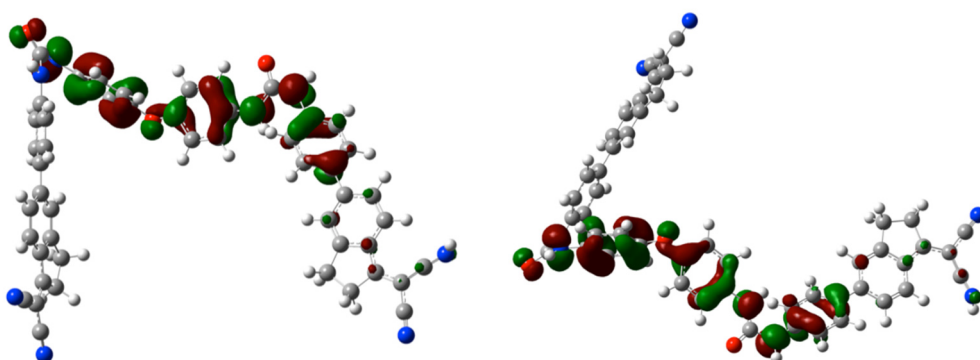


Figure S50: SOMO-3 is a π -bonding molecular orbital extended over the phenyl rings bonded to the ether oxygen. There is also participation of a p orbital of the oxygen ether. The molecular orbital has different participation of orbitals of atoms of each arm of the ether. In the arm not affected by the radical there is participation of the nitrogen atom of the urea fragment directly bonded to the phenyl ring of the ether and a p orbital of the oxygen atom of this fragment urea. In the arm affected by the radical, there is participation of p orbitals of both nitrogen atoms of the fragment urea and a π -bonding participation of the phenyl ring directly bonded to the urea fragment.