

# Heteroligand $\alpha$ -diimine-Zn(II) complexes with O,N,O'- and O,N,S- donor redox-active Schiff bases: synthesis, structure and electrochemical properties

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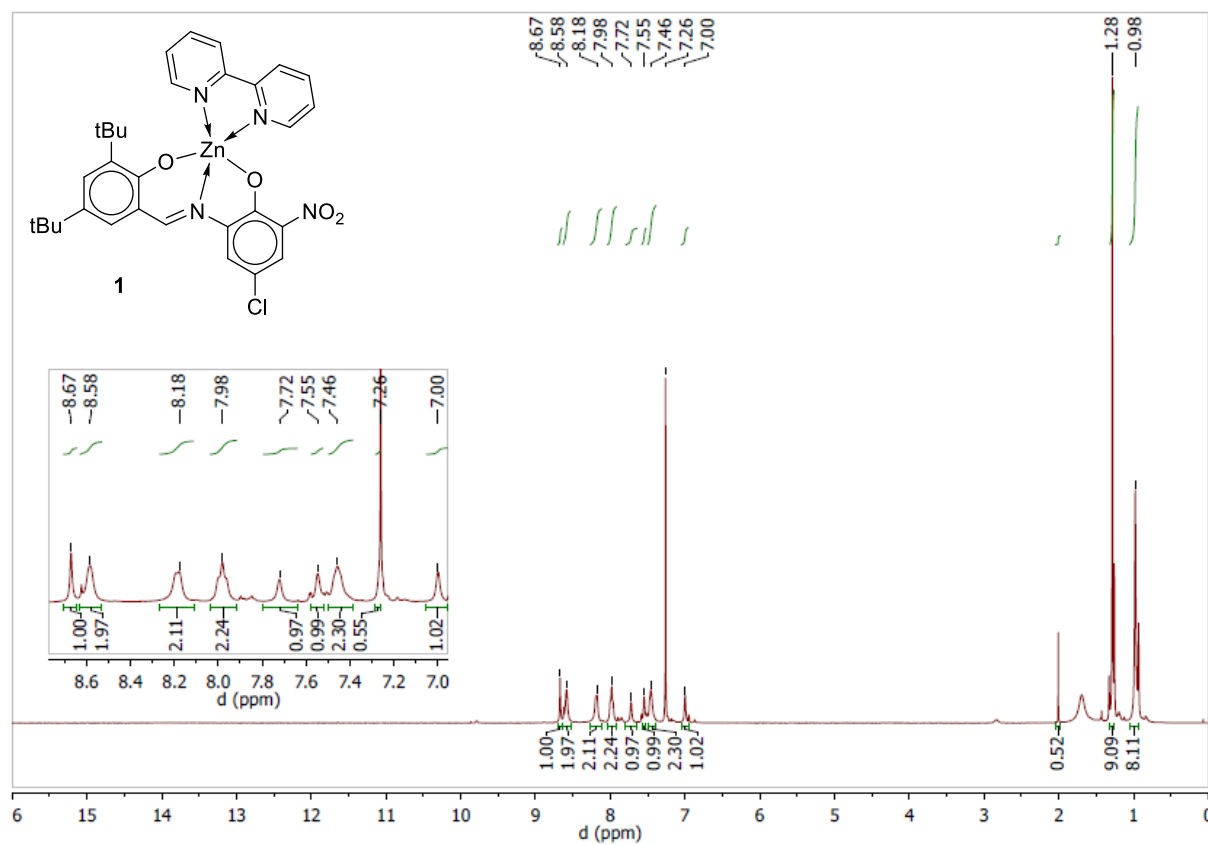
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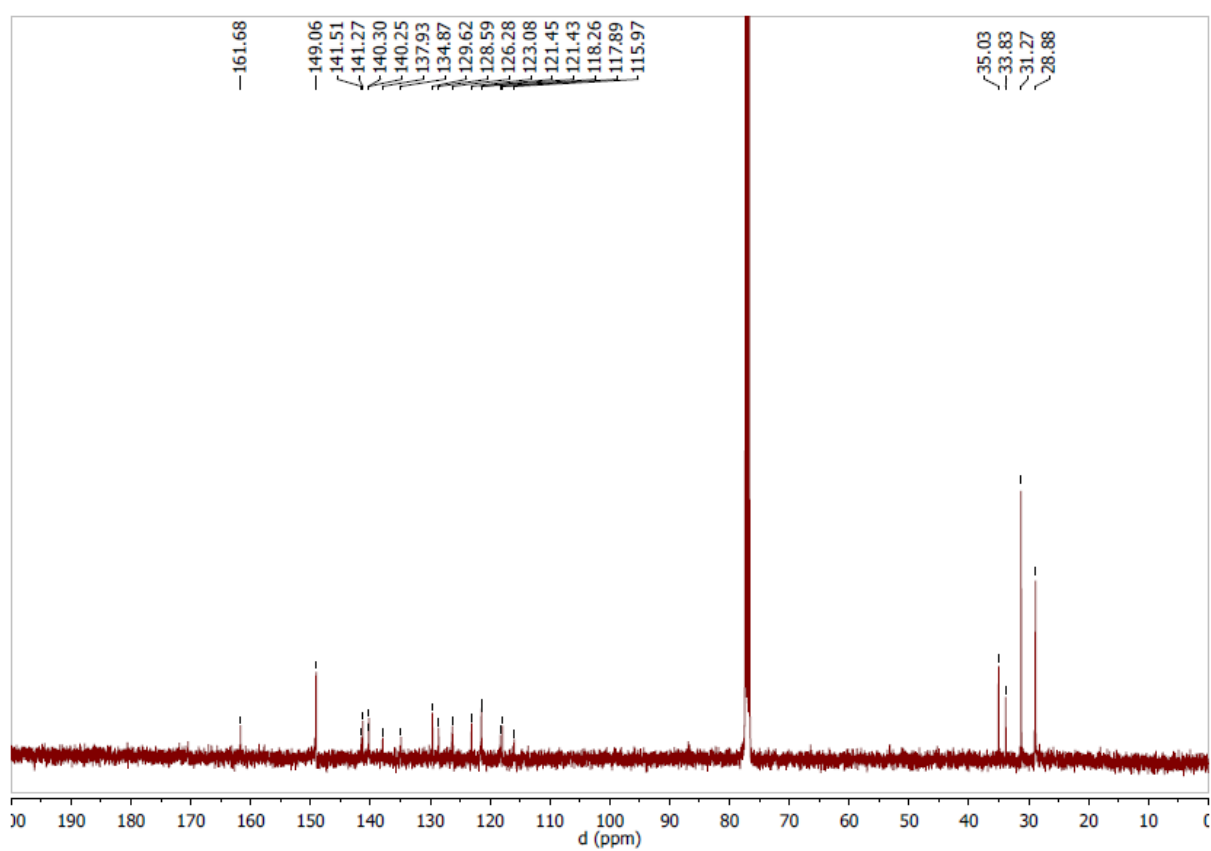
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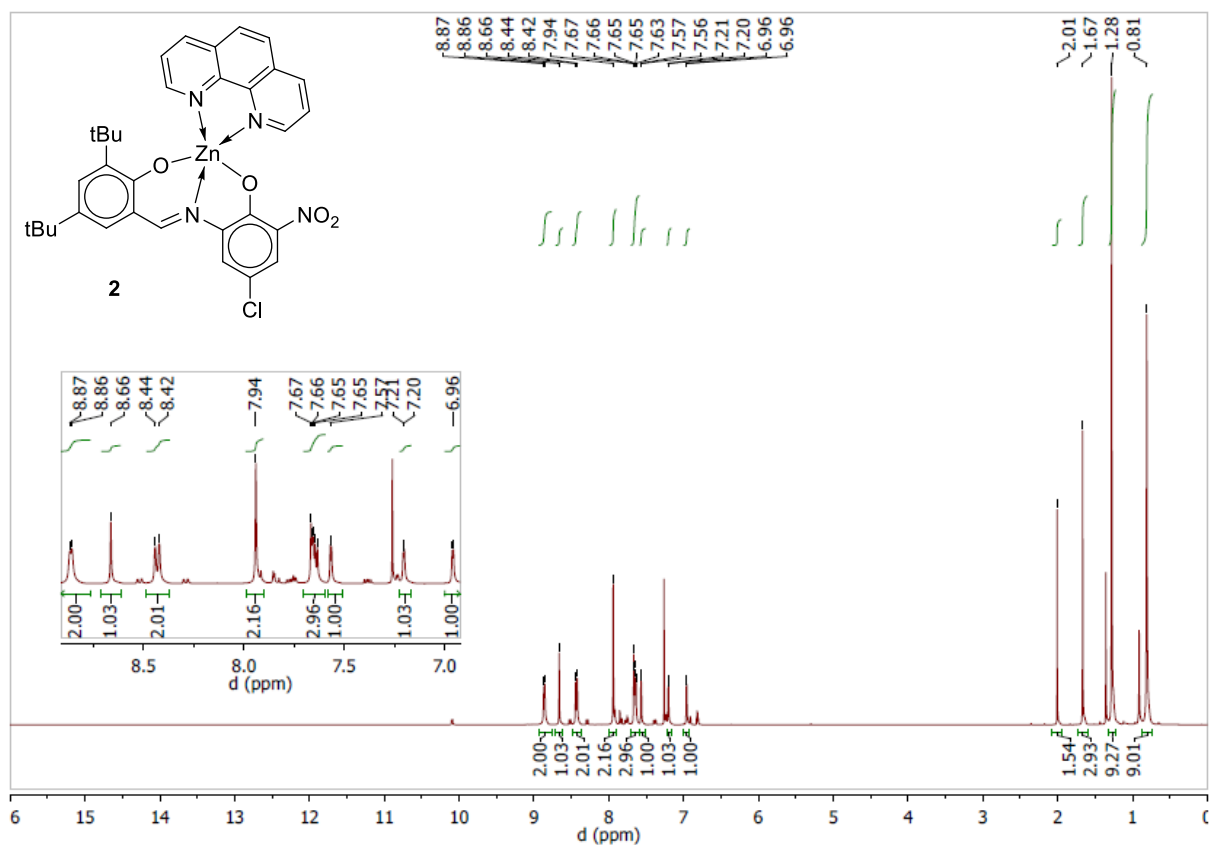
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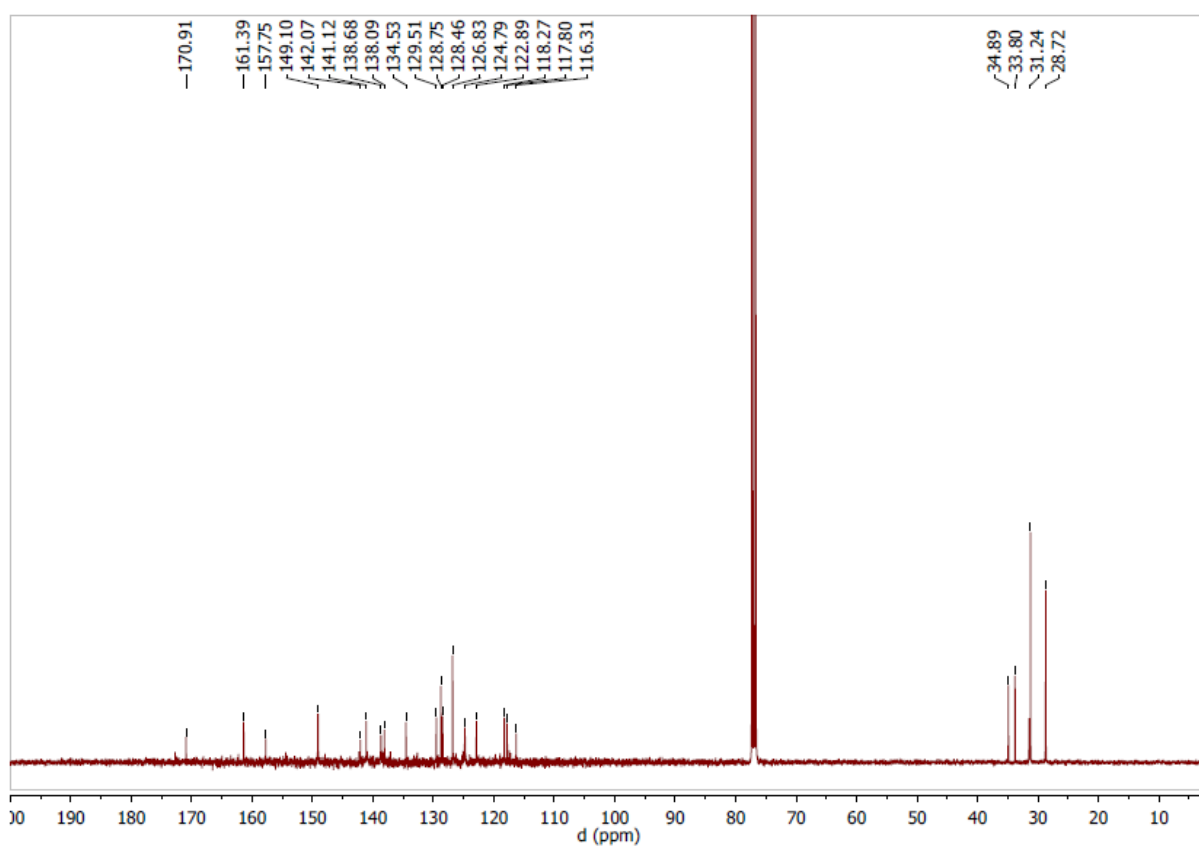
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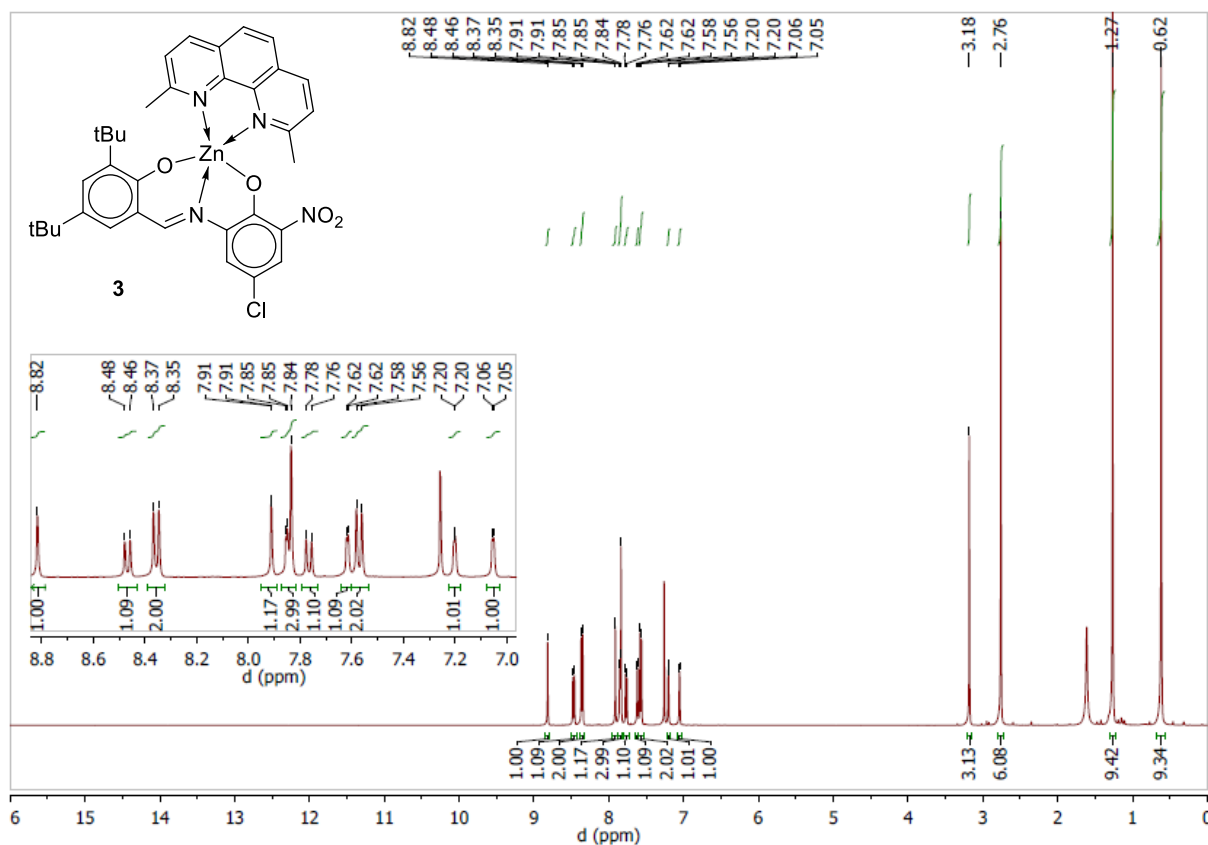
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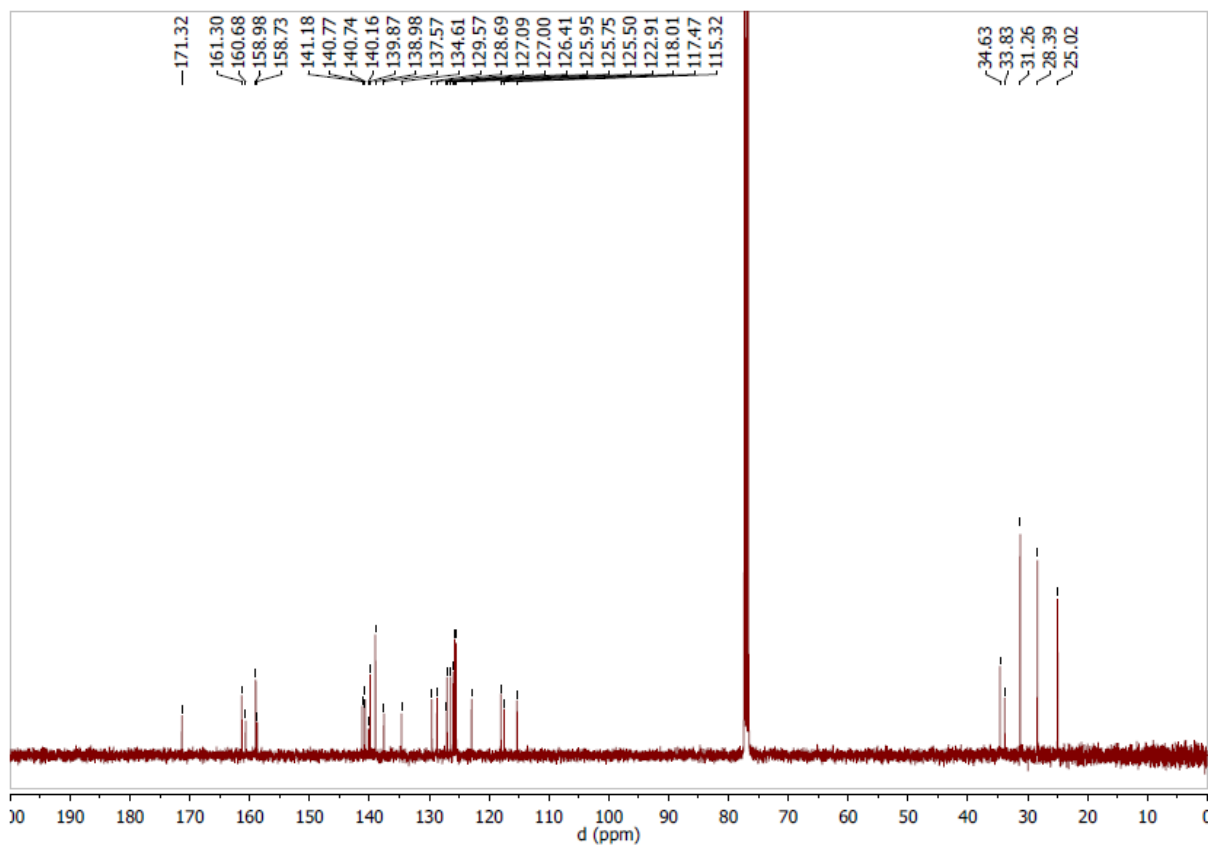
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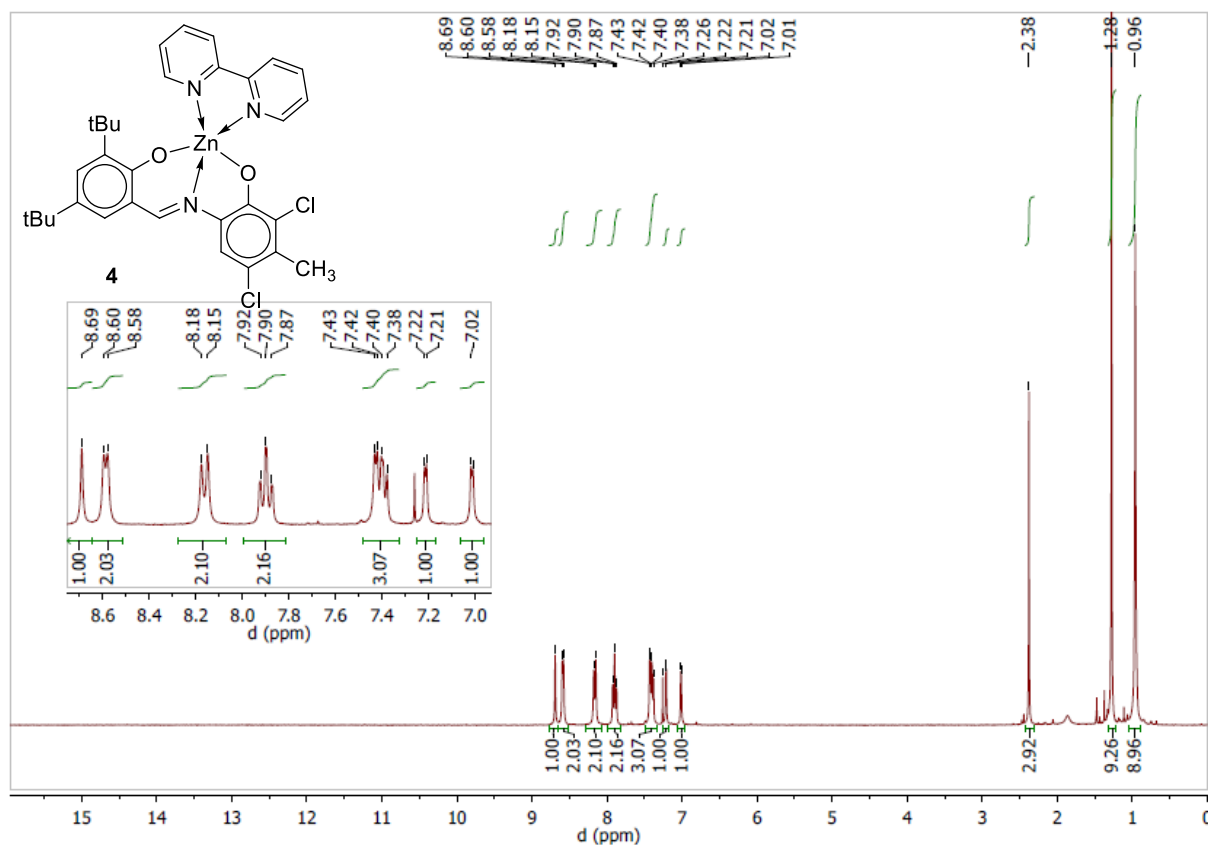
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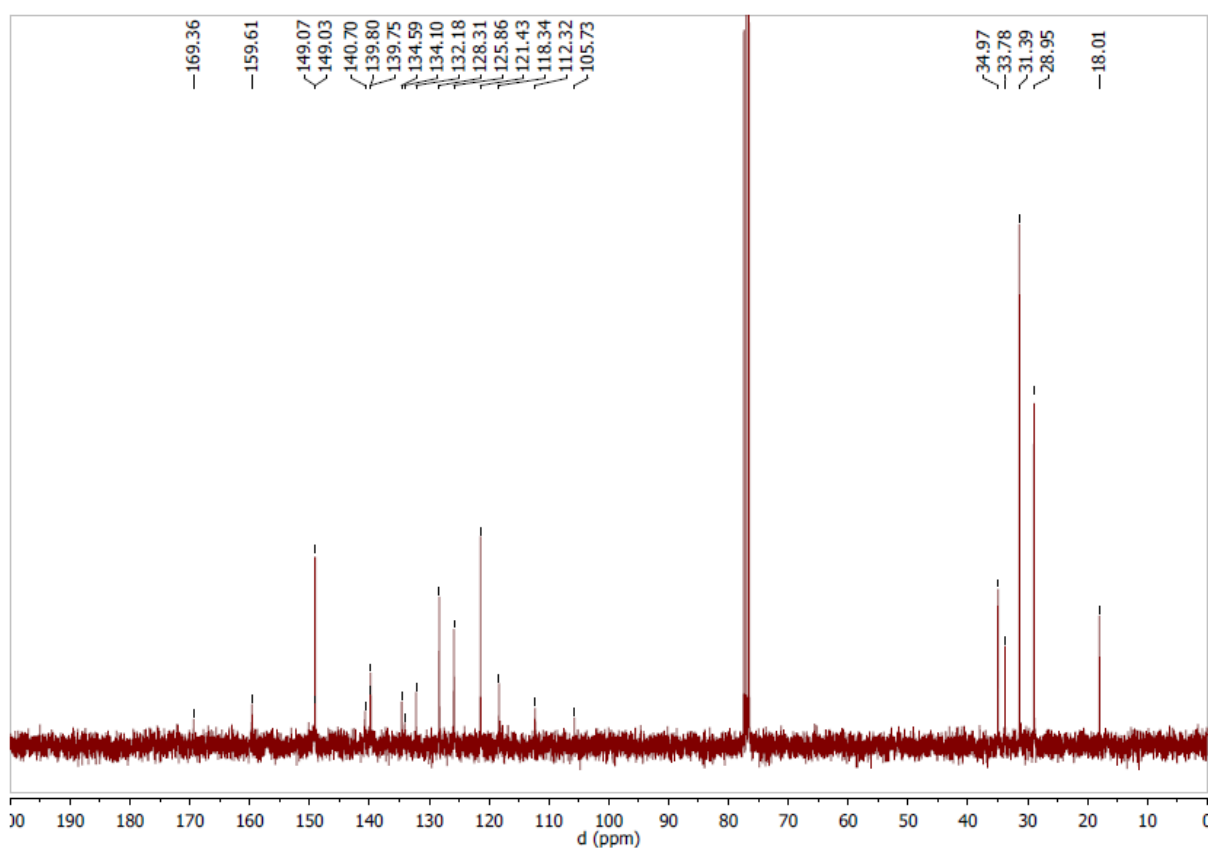
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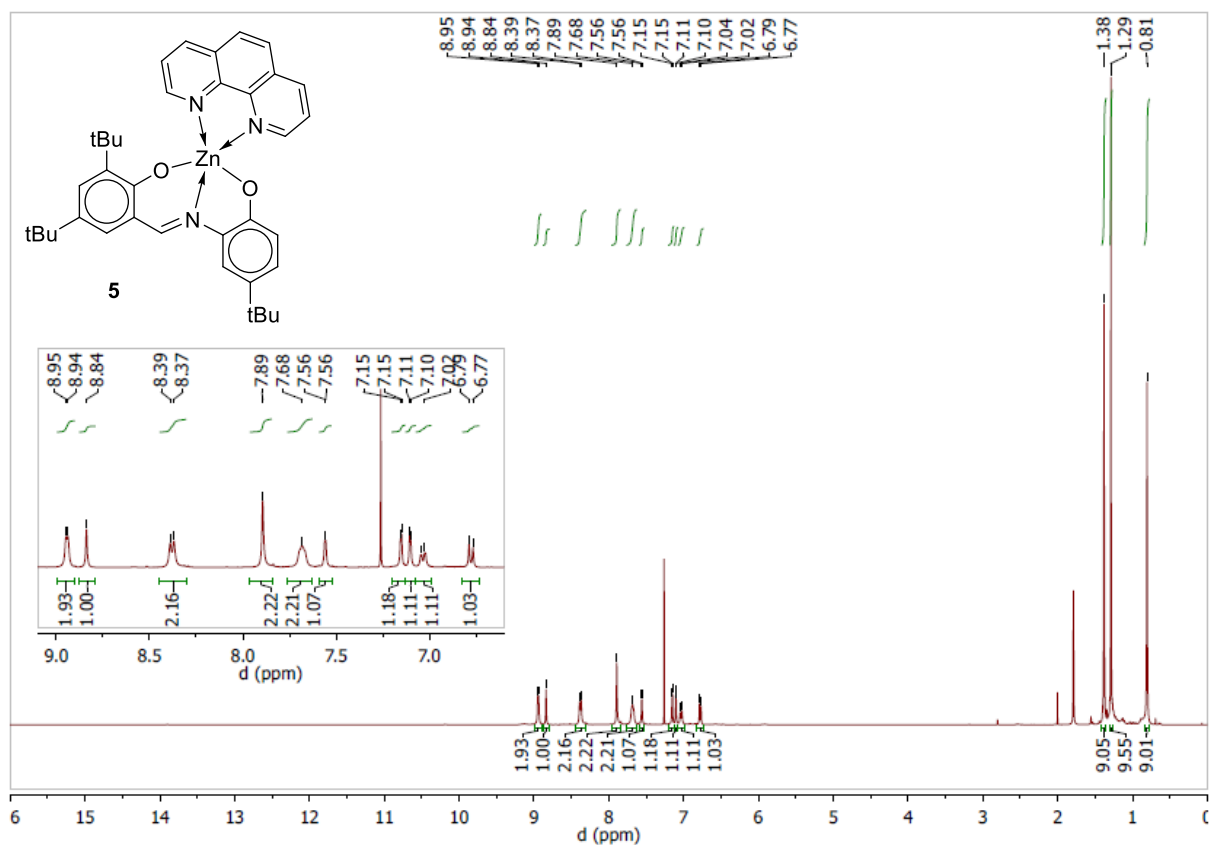
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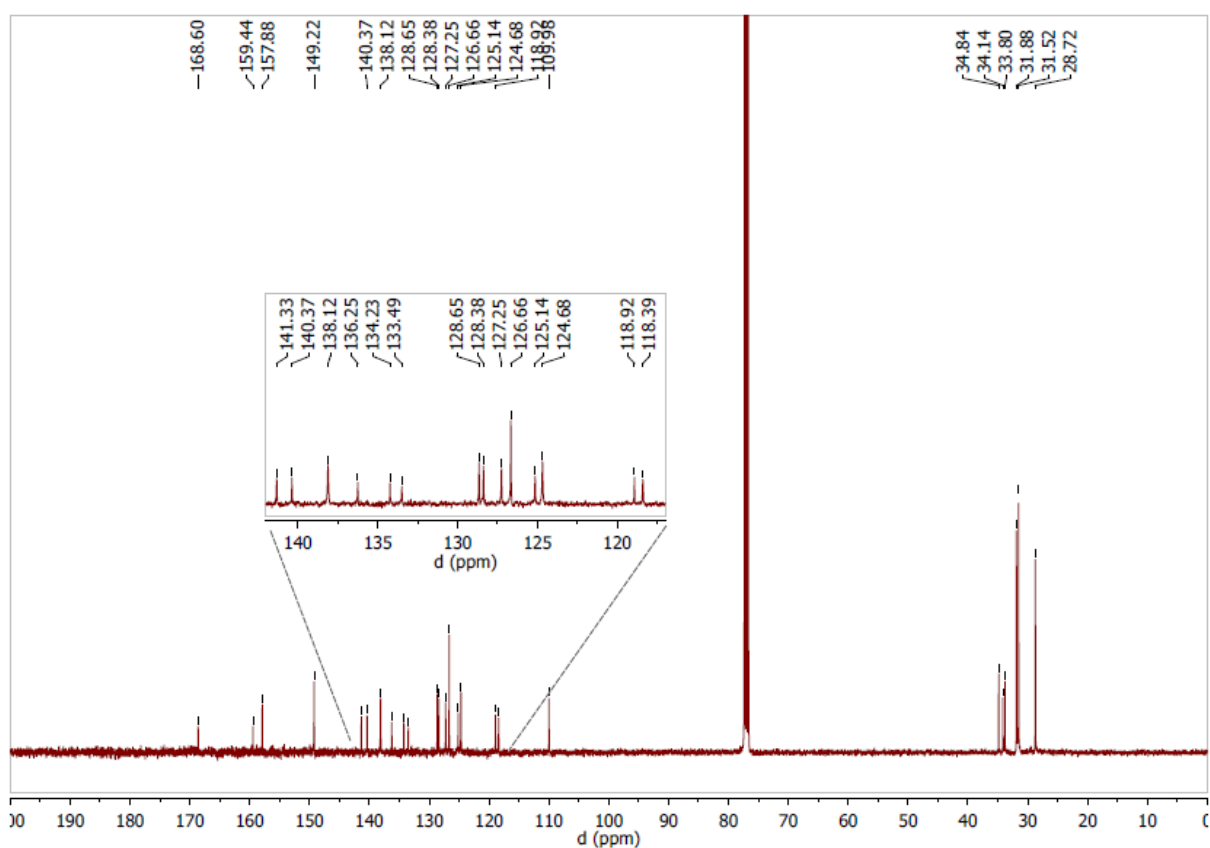
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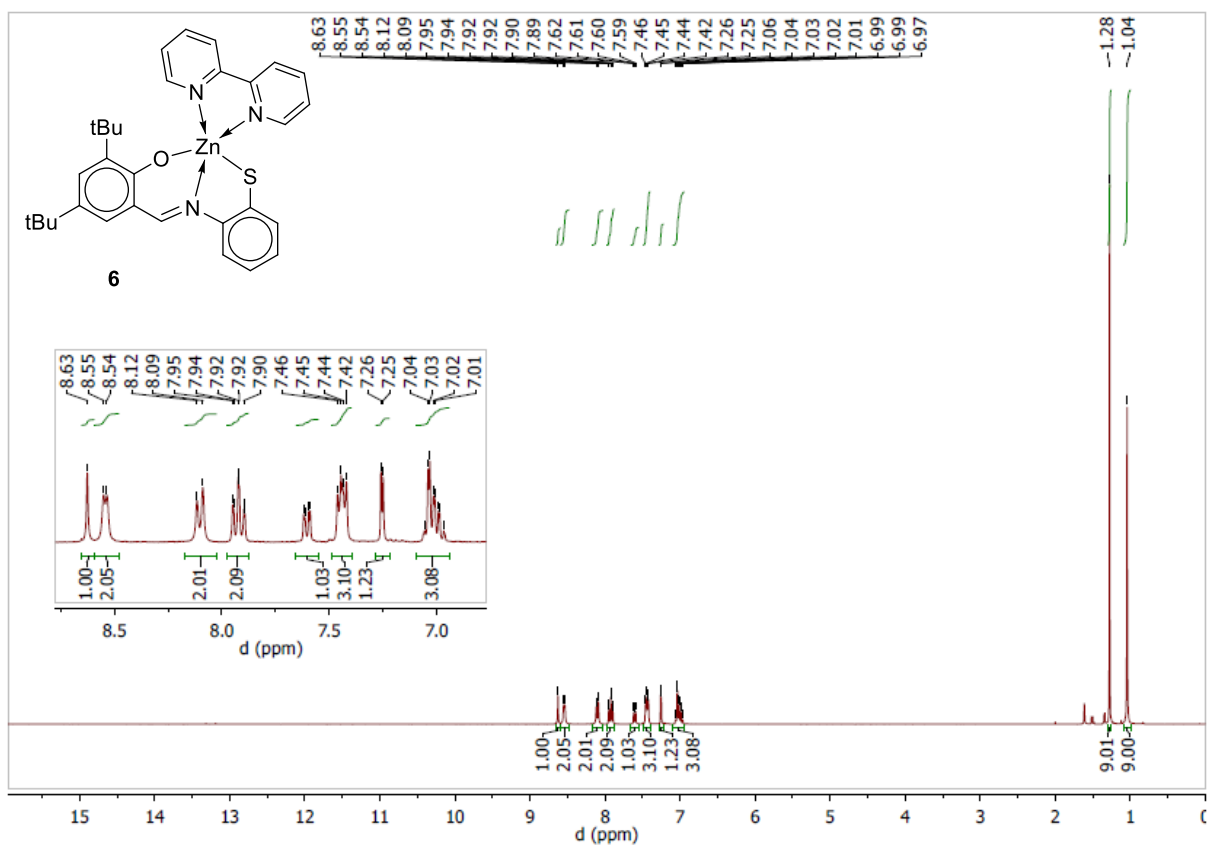
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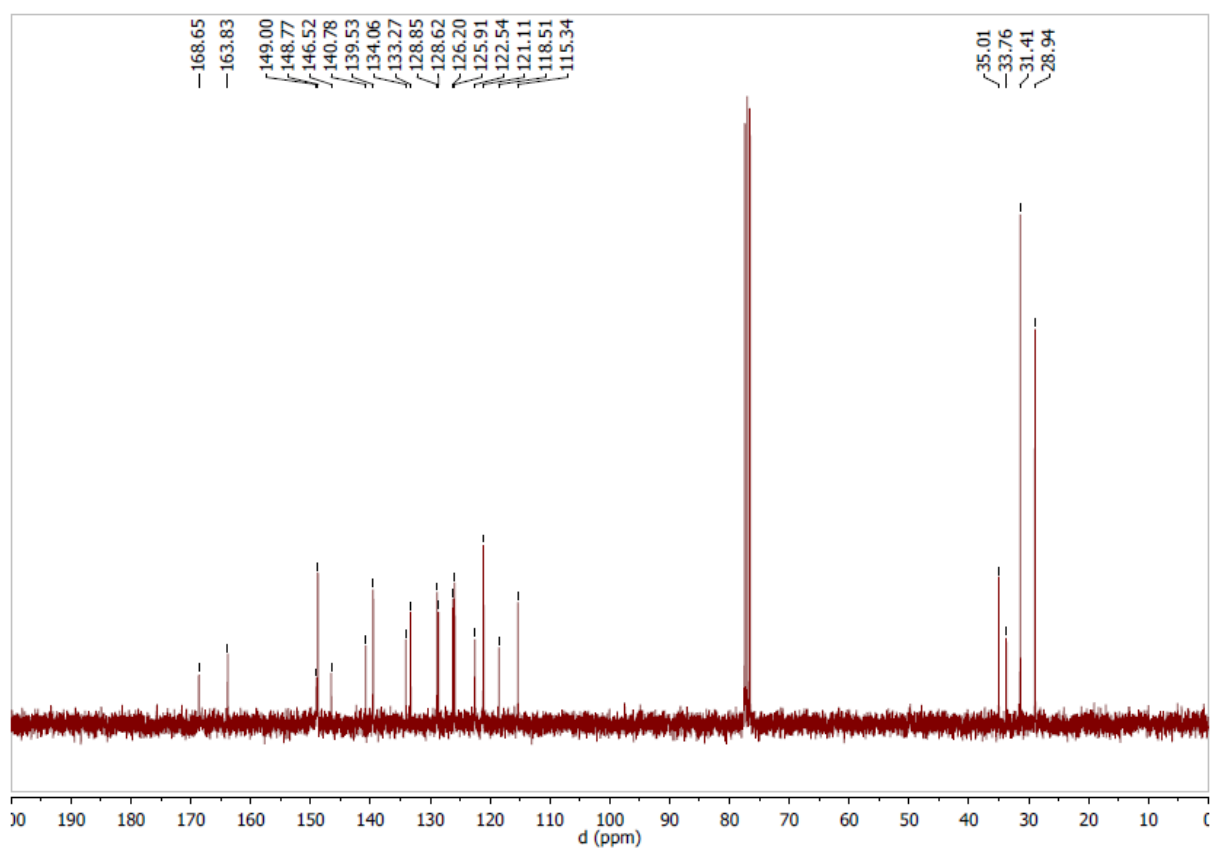
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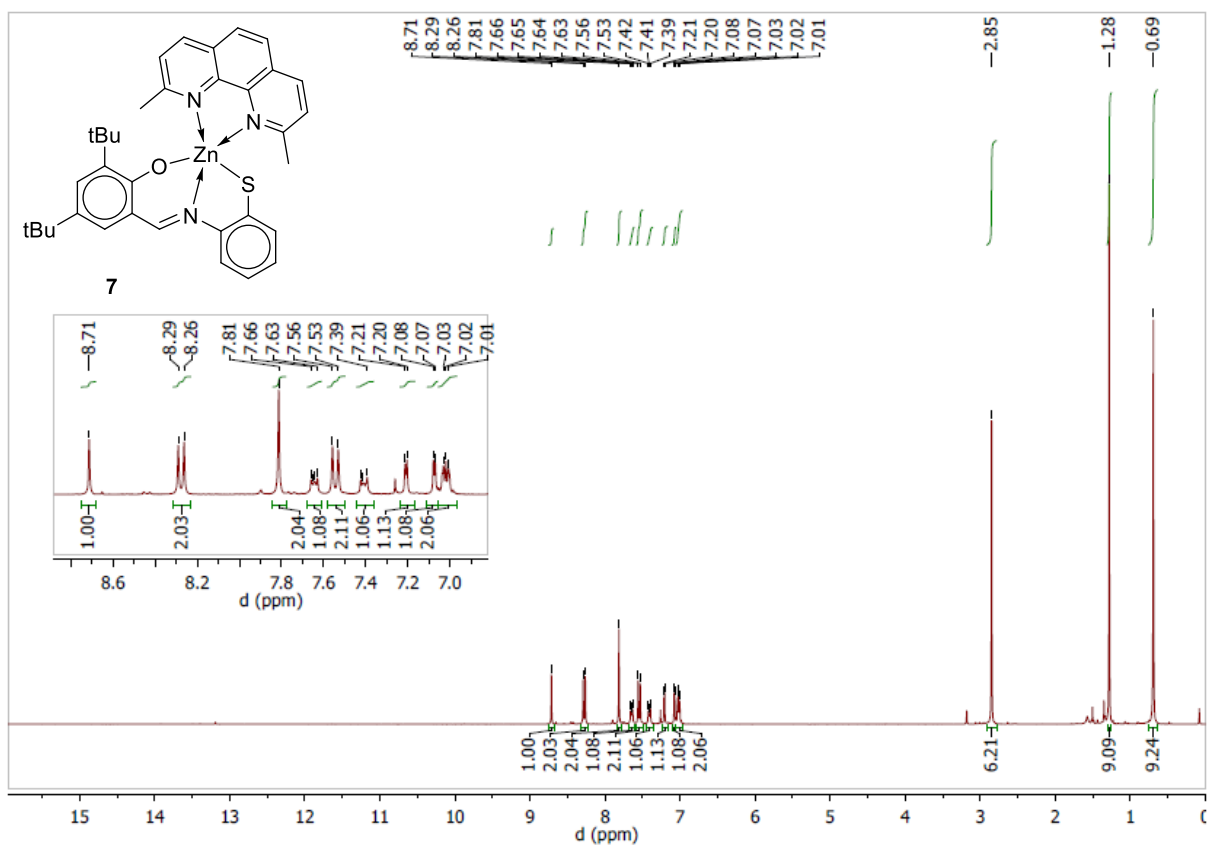


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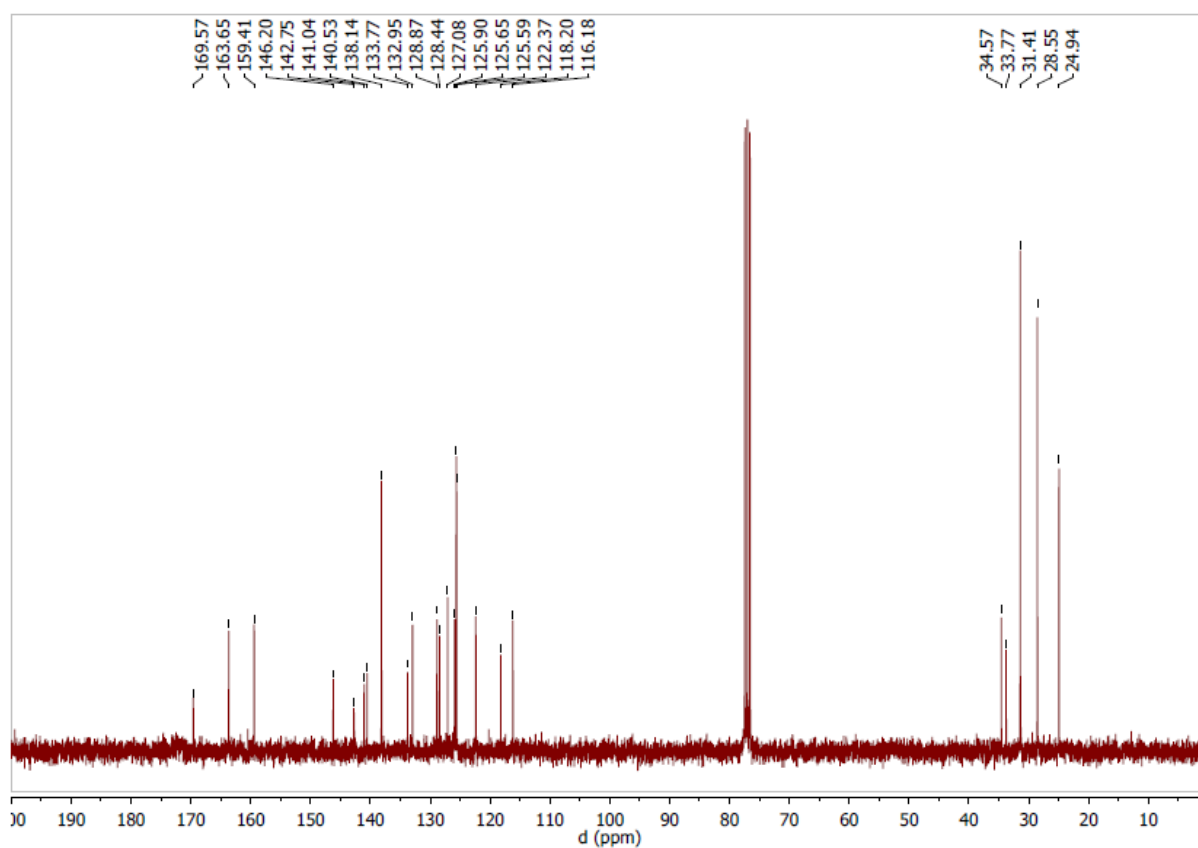


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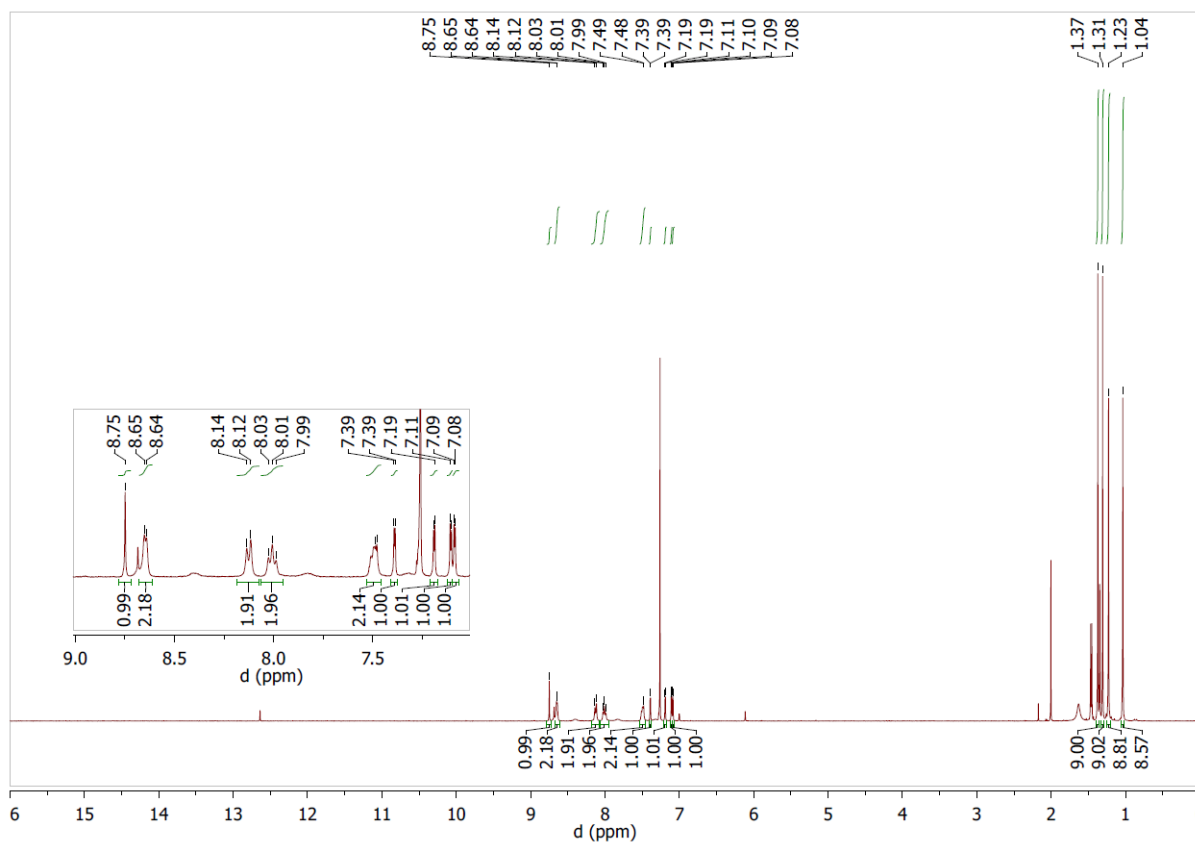




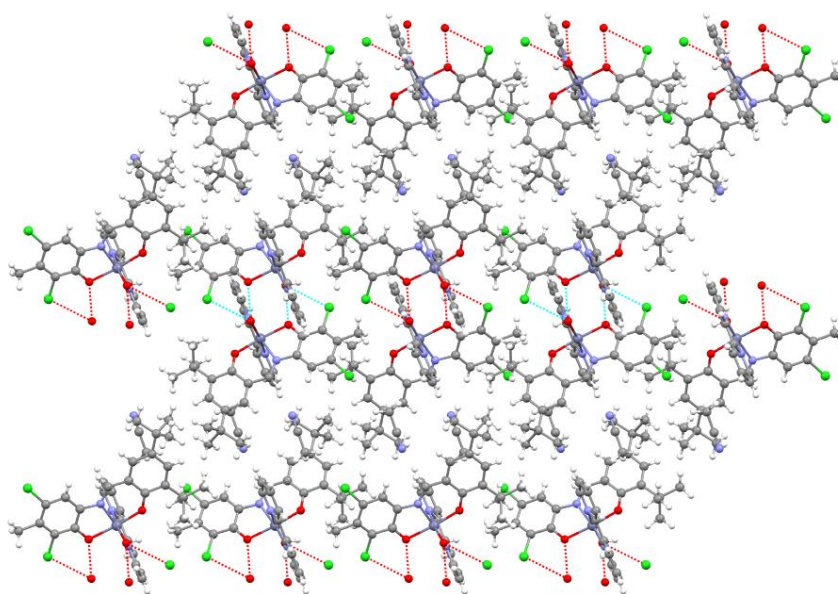
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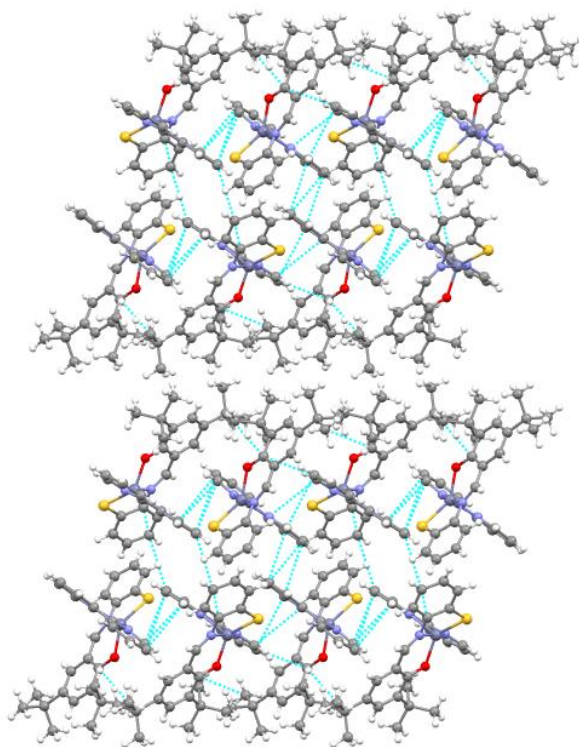
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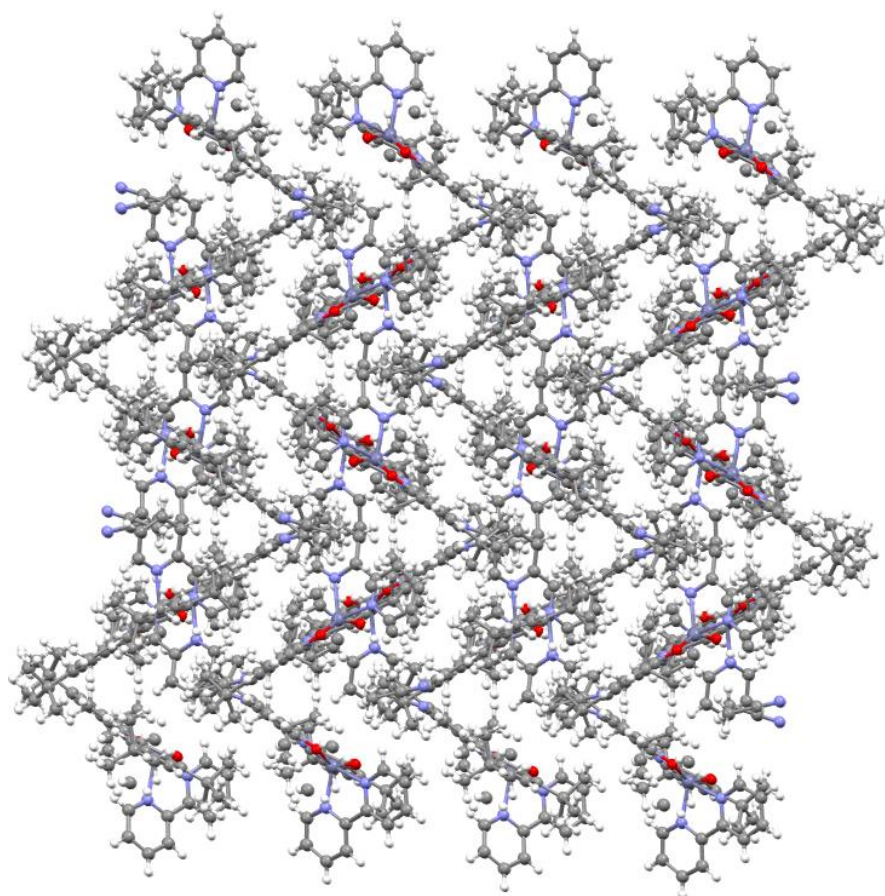
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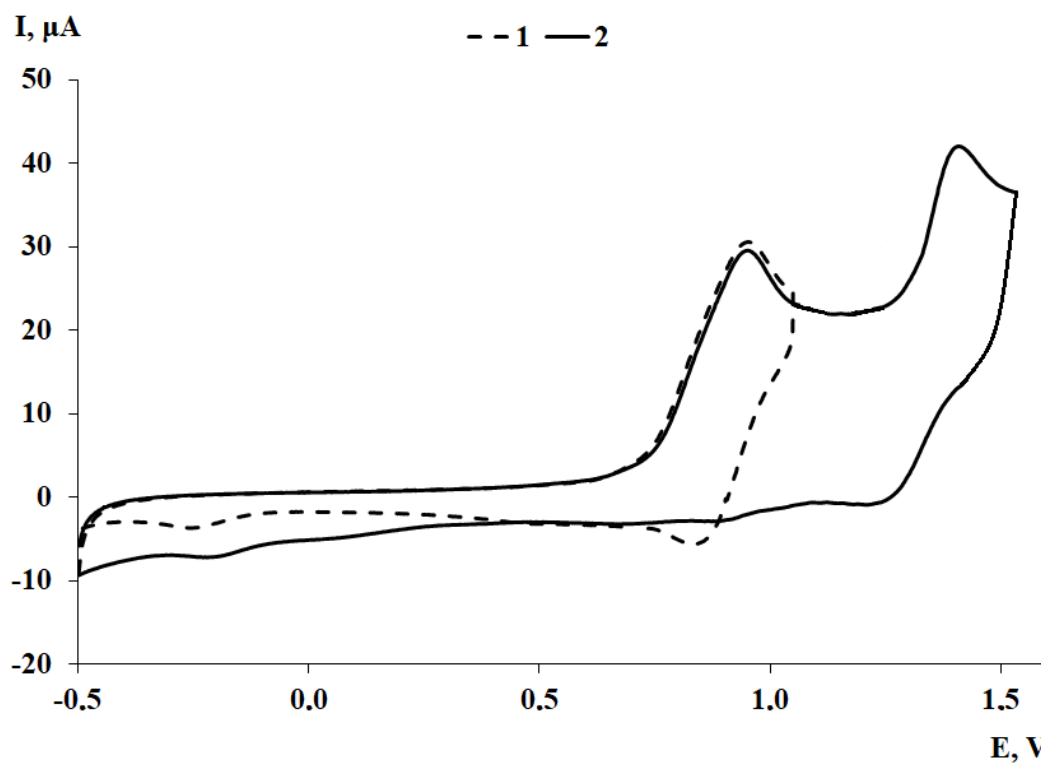
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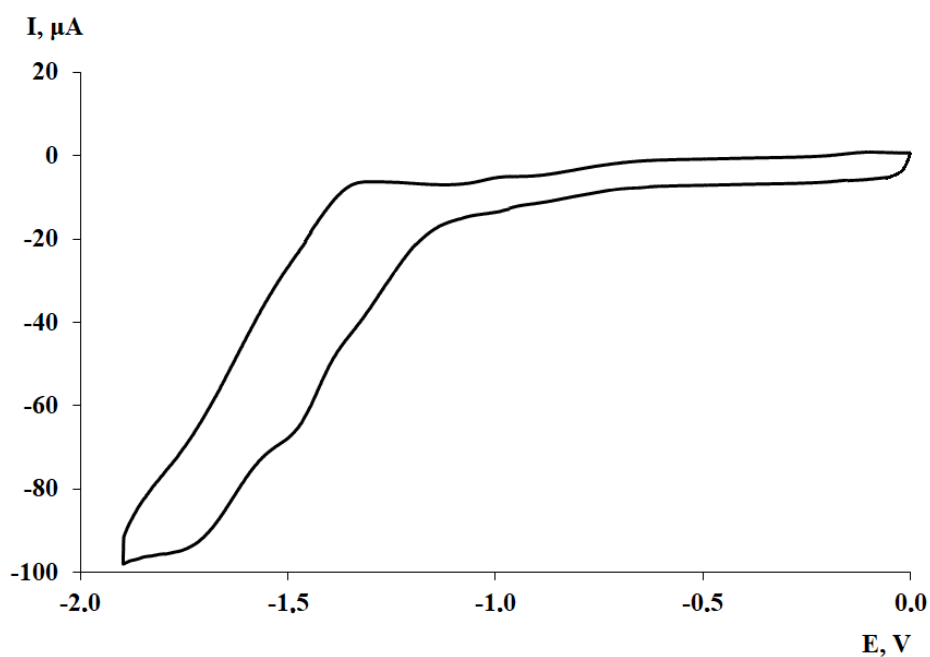
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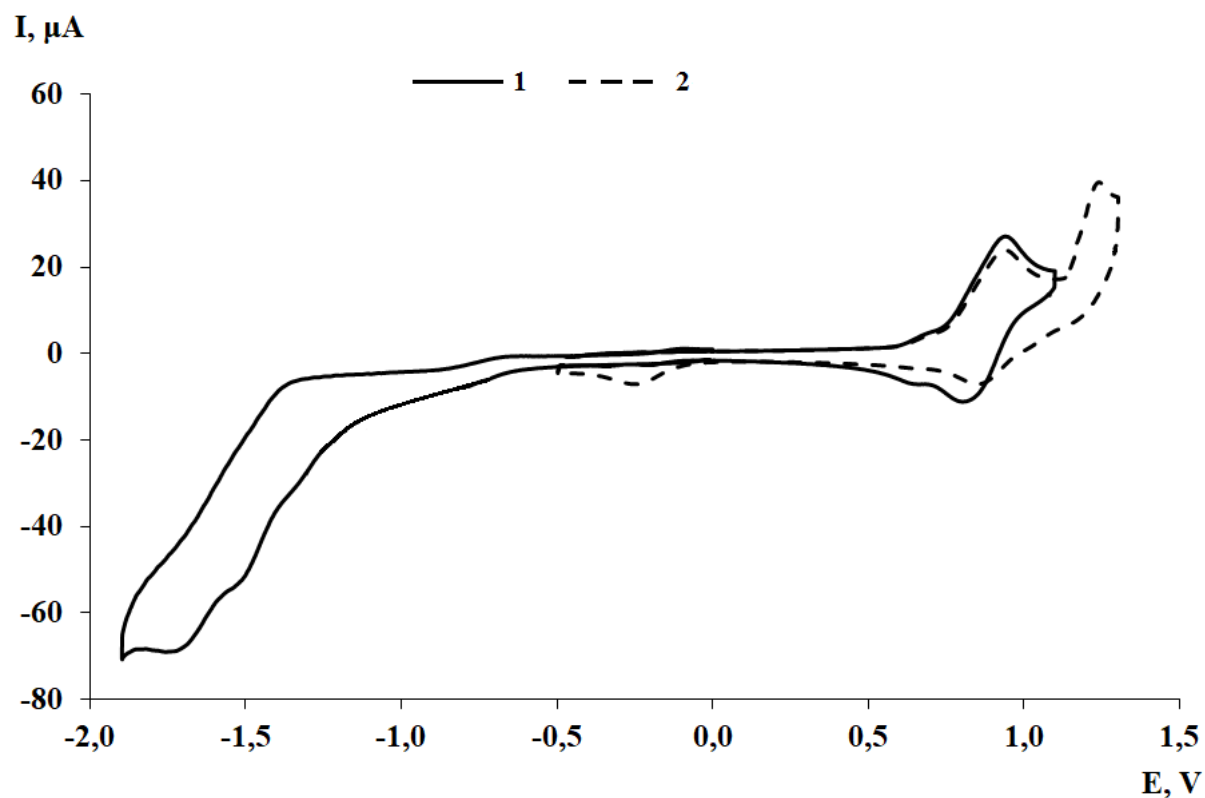
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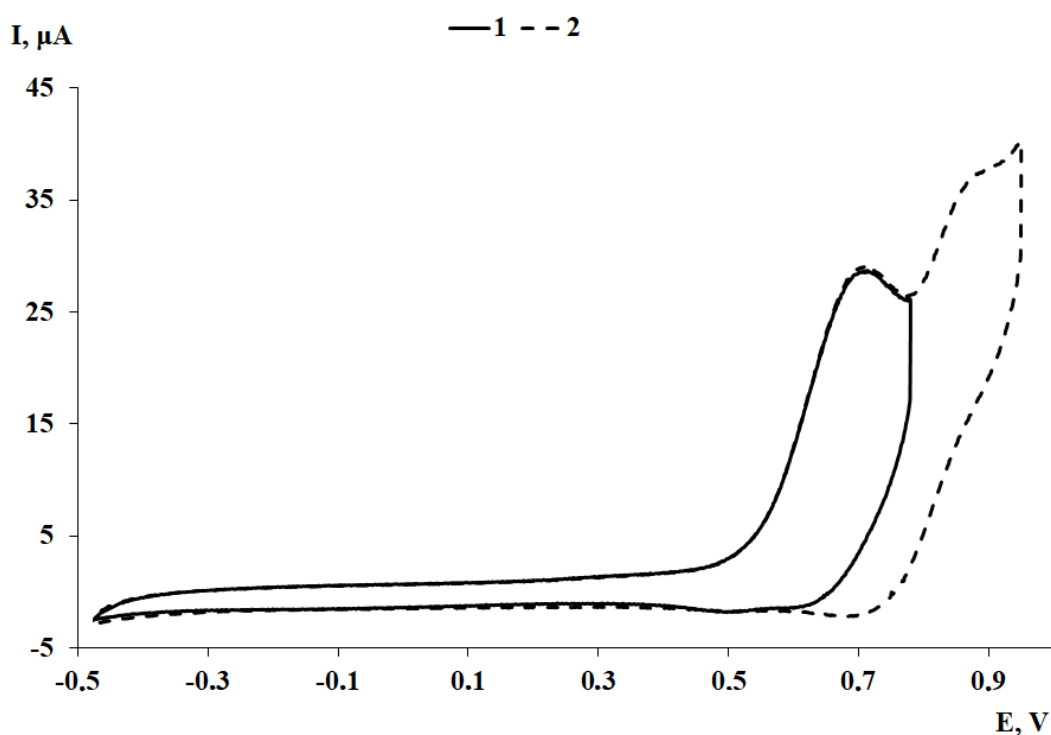
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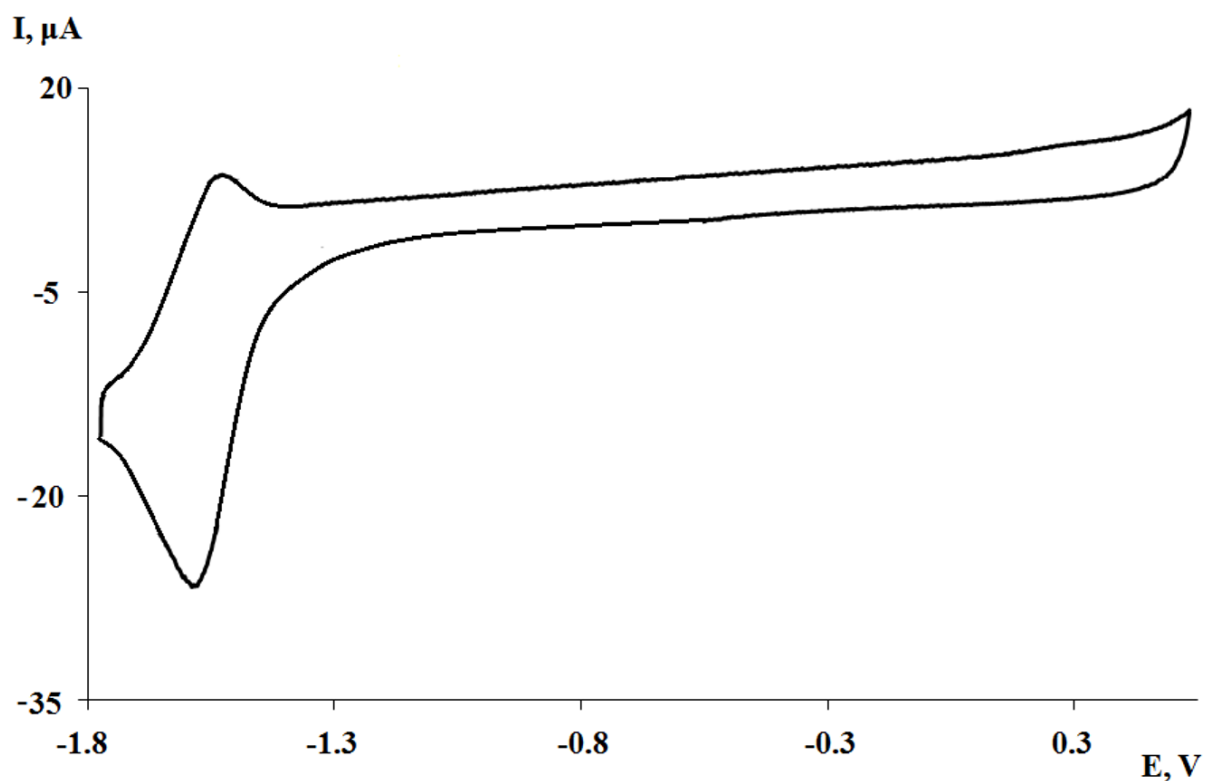
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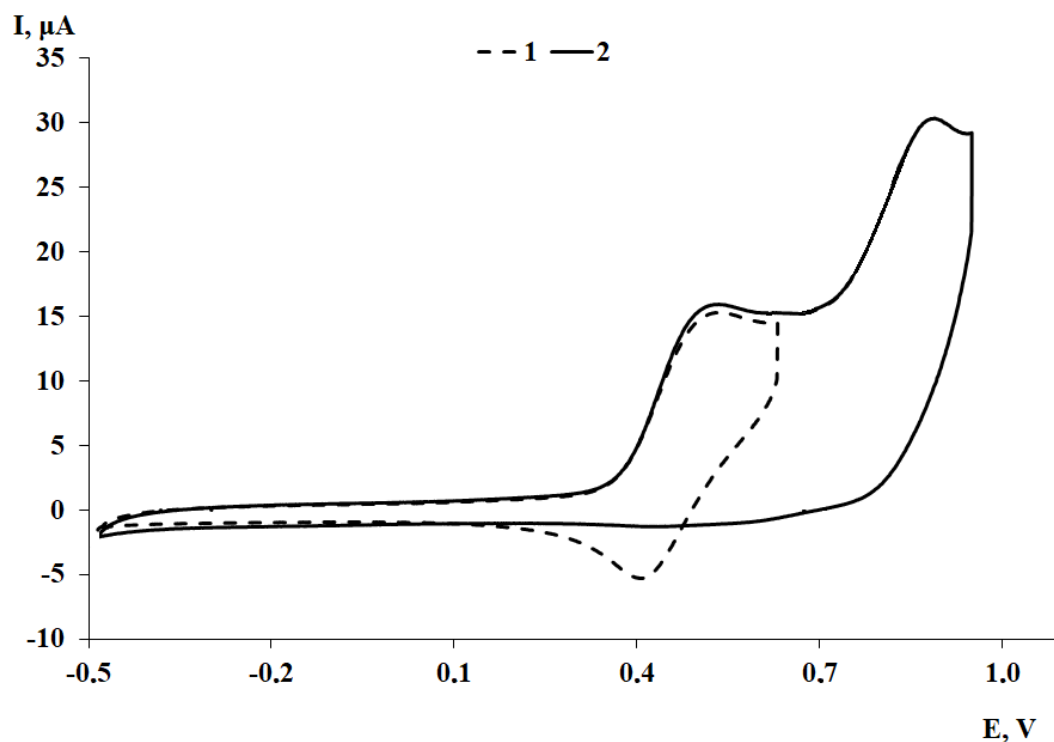
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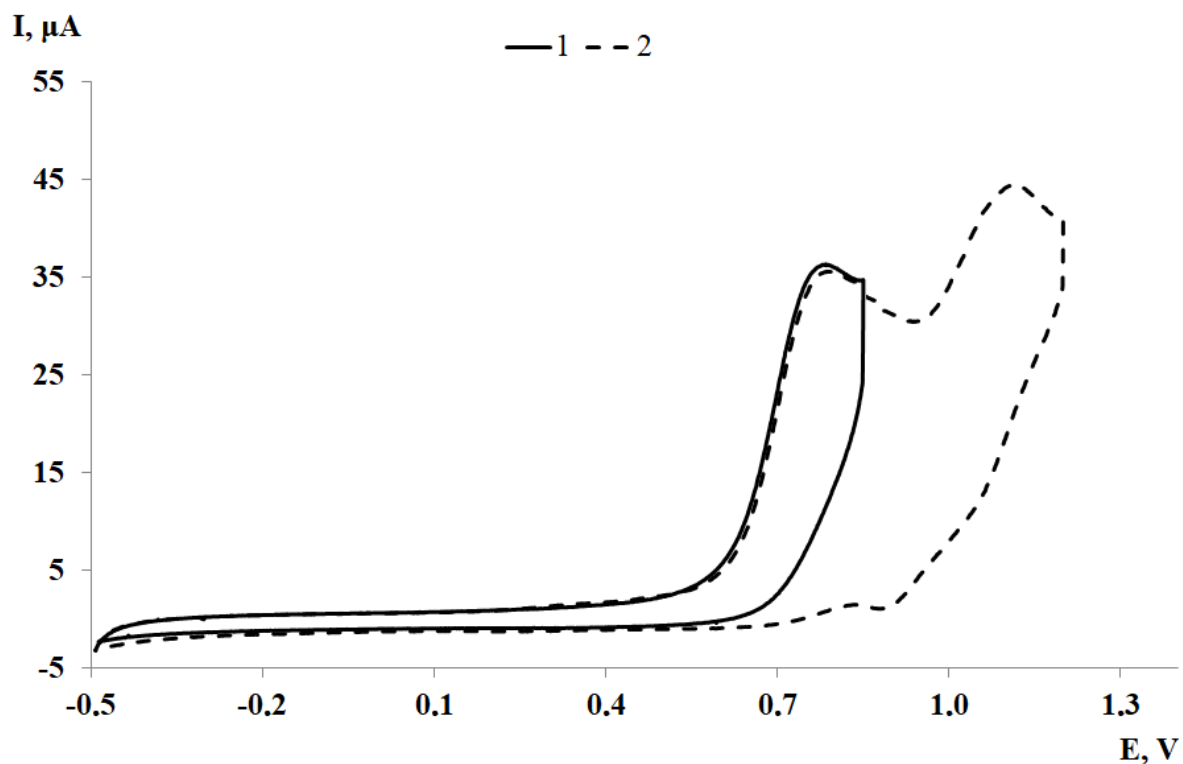
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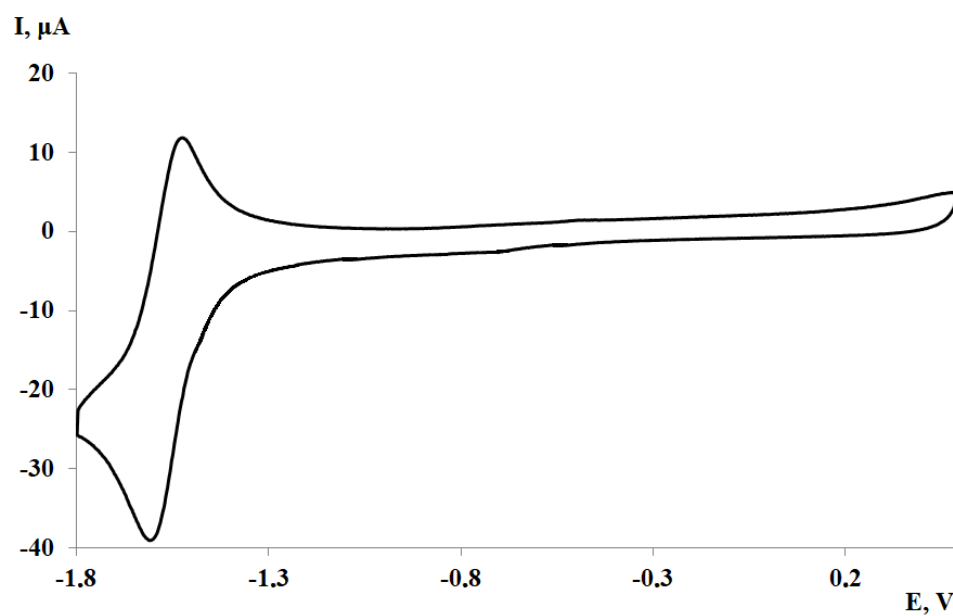
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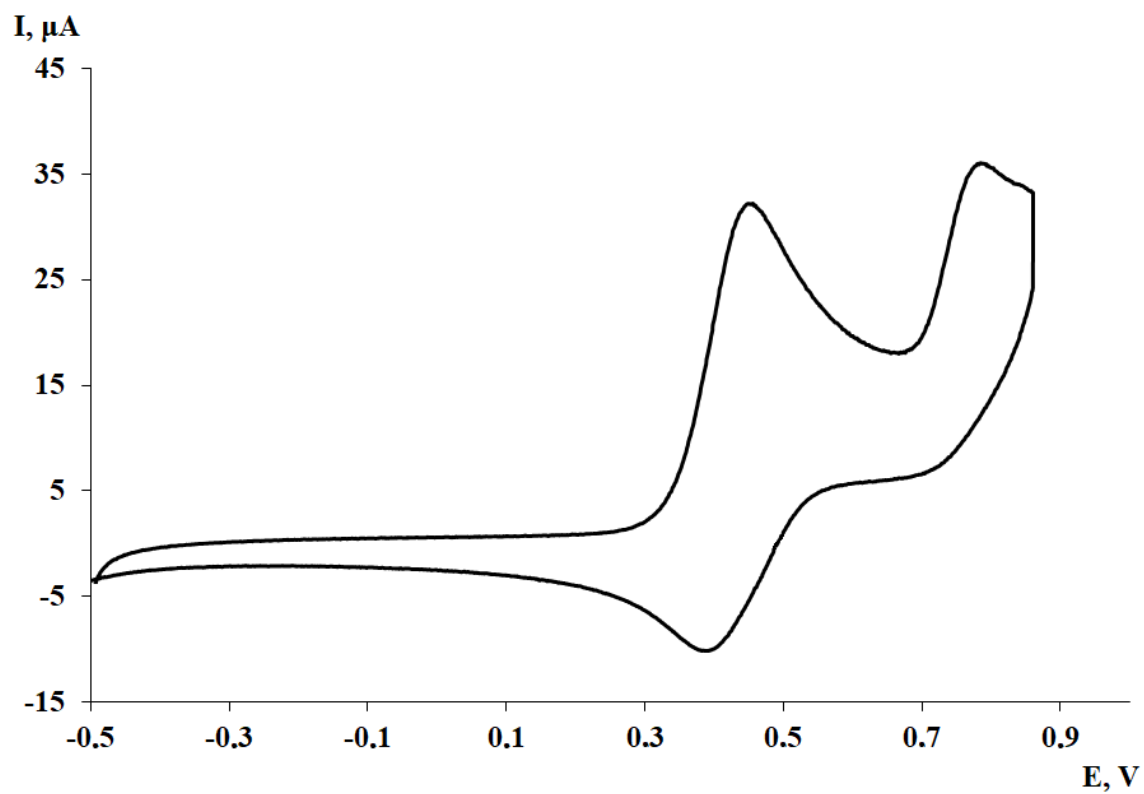
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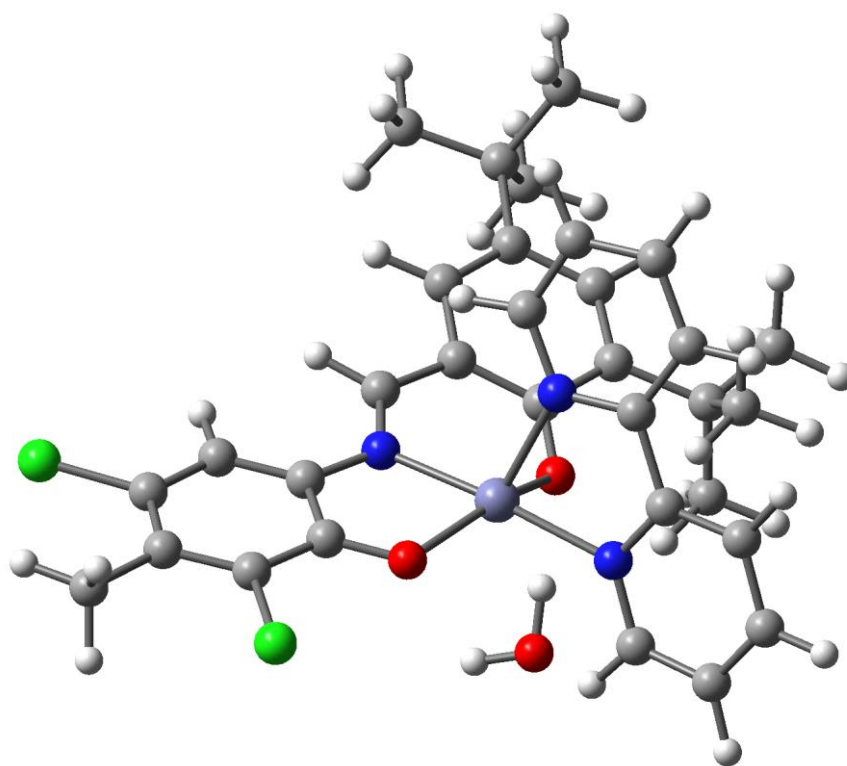
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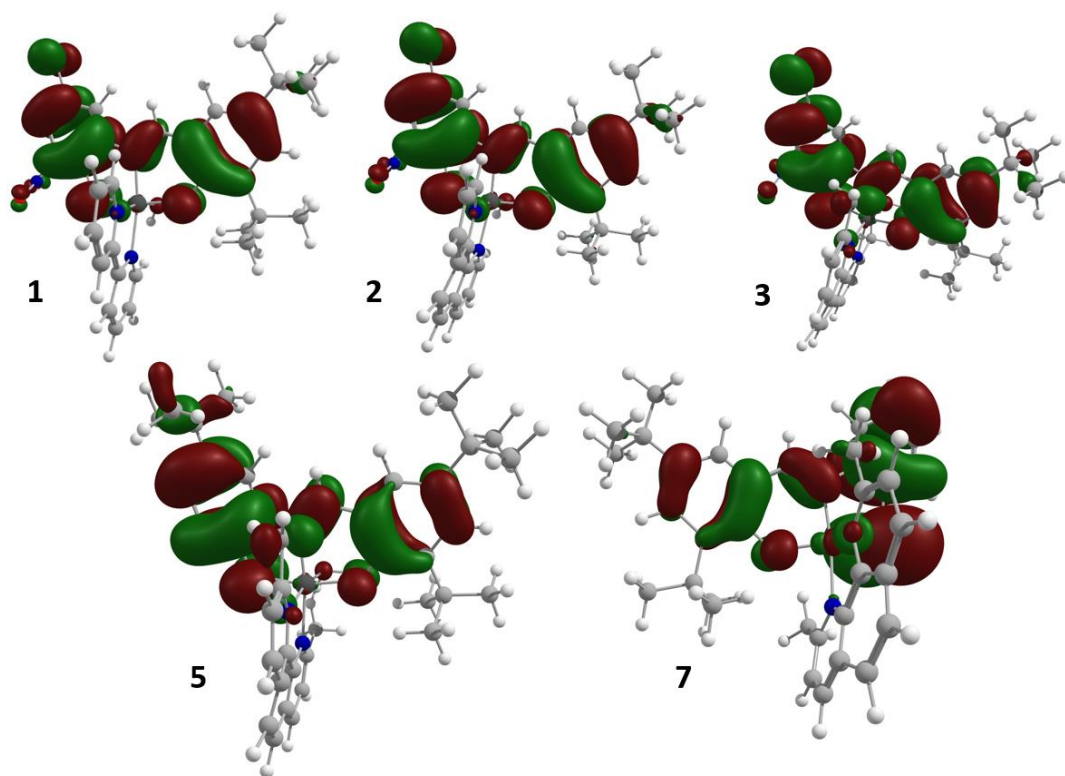


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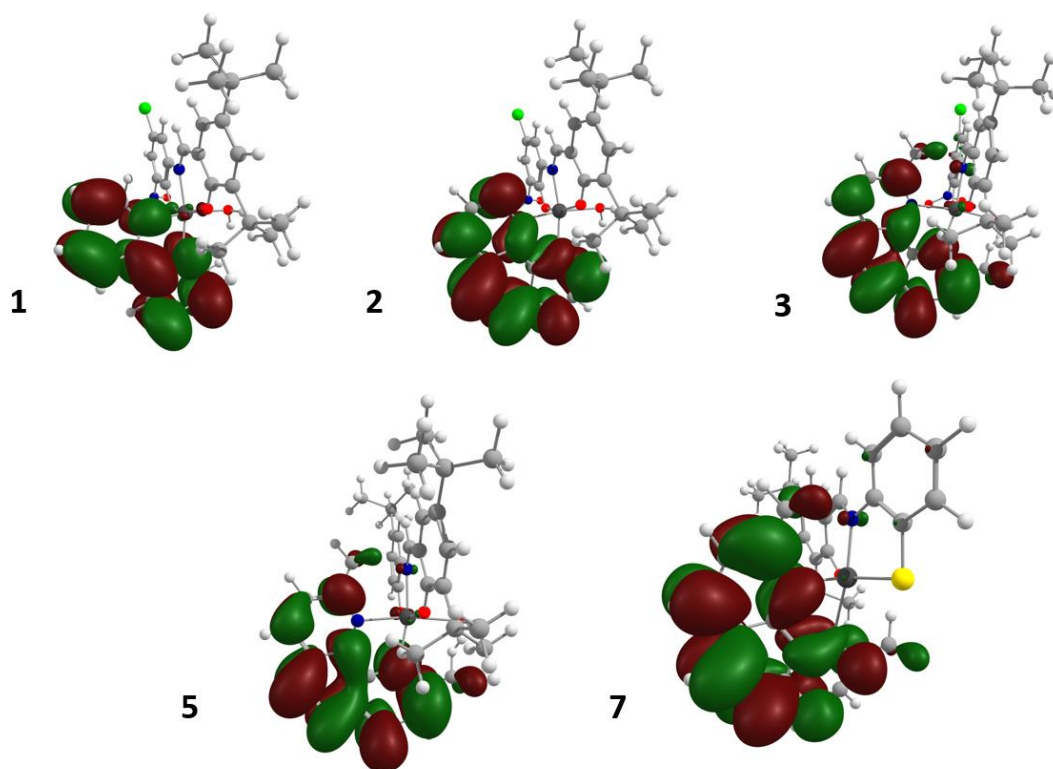


**Figure S28.** General view of the optimized molecular structure of **4**· $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .





**Figure S29.** The isosurfaces of HOMO orbitals in the selected complexes.



**Figure S30.** The isosurfaces of LUMO orbitals in the selected complexes.

**Table S1.** H-bonds in crystals of investigated compounds.

H-bond	Symmetry generation	D-H, Å	H...A, Å	D...A, Å	D-H...A, °
<b>4</b>					
O3-H3A...O1	2-x,1-y,1-z	0.87	1.94	2.681(3)	141
O3-H3B...Cl61	2-x,1-y,1-z	0.87	2.69	3.302(2)	128
C51-H51C...Cl41	x,y,z	0.98	2.56	3.086(4)	114
C92-H92A...O2	x,y,z	0.98	2.27	2.936(4)	124
C93-H93C...O2	x,y,z	0.98	2.39	3.040(4)	123
<b>6</b>					
C3A-H3A...S1B	1+x,y,z	0.95	2.87	3.810(4)	173
C17B-H17B...S1A	x,-1+y,z	0.95	2.81	3.491(4)	129
C92B-H92F...O2B	x,y,z	0.98	2.36	3.009(5)	123
C93A-H93C...O2A	x,y,z	0.98	2.27	2.943(5)	125
C93B-H93D...O2B	x,y,z	0.98	2.28	2.943(5)	124
C94A-H94A...O2A	x,y,z	0.98	2.38	3.034(4)	123
<b>8</b>					
C21-H21...O2	1/2-x,1/2+y,z	0.95	2.35	3.293(3)	169
C63-H63A...O1	x,y,z	0.98	2.34	3.007(4)	125
C64-H64C...O1	x,y,z	0.98	2.34	3.023(4)	126
C93-H93A...O2	x,y,z	0.98	2.35	2.989(4)	122
C94-H94C...O2	x,y,z	0.98	2.38	3.033(4)	124

**Table S2.** The details of X-ray experiment and structure refinement

Complex	<b>4</b> ·H <sub>2</sub> O·CH <sub>3</sub> CN	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b> ·CH <sub>3</sub> CN
Empirical formula	C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>38</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Zn	C <sub>31</sub> H <sub>33</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OSZn	C <sub>41</sub> H <sub>52</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> Zn
Formula weight	686.95	561.03	698.23
T / K	150(2)	150(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic	orthorhombic
Space group	P21/c	P -1	Pbca
a / Å	17.0046(8)	11.2220(8)	17.7089(6)
b / Å	9.3695(6)	12.1251(9)	16.1000(6)
c / Å	20.9772(10)	21.4863(16)	27.2185(8)
$\alpha$ / °	90	93.243(3)	90
$\beta$ / °	90.147(2)	93.314(3)	90
$\gamma$ / °	90	91.458(3)	90
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3342.2(3)	2912.8(4)	7760.4(5)
Z	4	4	8
$\rho$ / g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.365	1.279	1.195
$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.934	0.942	0.671
F(000)	1432	1176	2976
Q range / °	1.942 - 26.000	1.818 - 25.999	1.866 - 25.999
Reffl. Collected	6570	11421	7619
Reffl. unique	4621	9062	6459
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.1093	0.0321	0.0606
GOOF ( $F^2$ )	0.956	1.065	1.096
$R_1$ / $wR_2$ ( $I > 2\sigma(I)$ )	0.0468 / 0.0956	0.0516 / 0.1246	0.0504 / 0.1228
$R_1$ / $wR_2$ (all data)	0.0747 / 0.1058	0.0695 / 0.1339	0.0603 / 0.1279
Largest diff. peak and hole / e·Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.459 and -0.536	1.254 and -0.455	0.896 and -0.471