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### **One-pot Route to X-Perfluoroarenes (X = Br, I) Based on Fe<sup>III</sup>-assisted C–F Functionalization and Utilization of These Arenes as Building Blocks for Crystal Engineering Involving Halogen Bonding**

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## S1. X-ray diffraction and theoretical studies

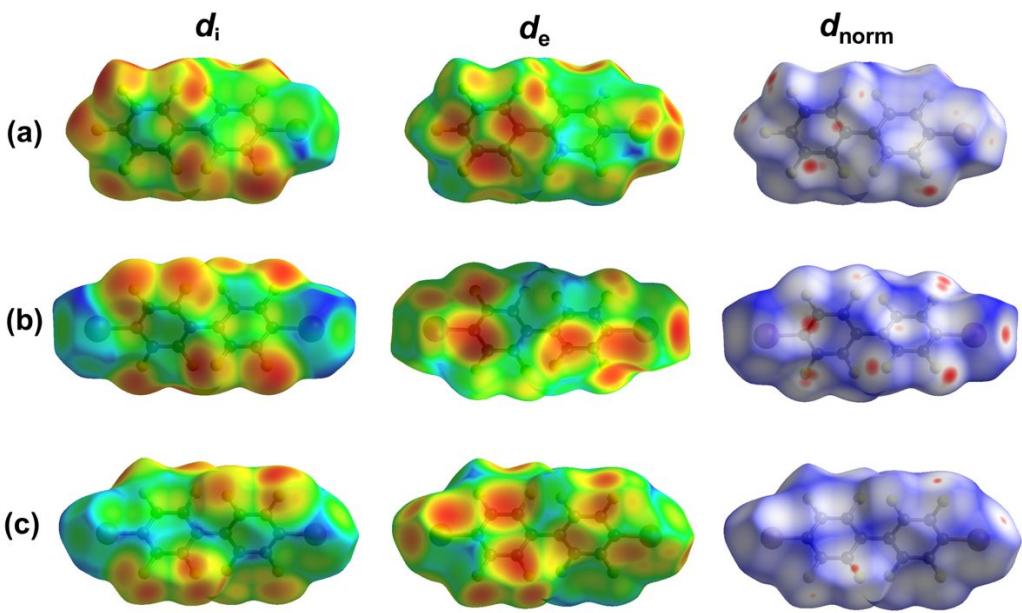
### S1.1 Crystal data and structure refinement

**Table S1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **3–4, 7**.

	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
CCDC No.	1999374	1999377	1999379
Empirical formula	C <sub>12</sub> F <sub>9</sub> I	BrC <sub>12</sub> F <sub>9</sub>	C <sub>12</sub> F <sub>8</sub> I <sub>2</sub>
<i>M</i> <sub>w</sub> /g	442.02	395.03	549.92
T/K	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Radiation	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )
Crystal color, shape	clear colorless, octahedral	colorless, octahedral	colorless, prism
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.84 × 0.62 × 0.35	0.46 × 0.28 × 0.18	0.30 × 0.17 × 0.10
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
Space group	C2/c	C2/c	Pbcn
<i>a</i> /Å	21.1443(11)	20.8814(10)	14.8168(18)
<i>b</i> /Å	8.0974(4)	8.0219(3)	10.3805(15)
<i>c</i> /Å	14.2425(6)	13.6868(7)	8.6880(11)
$\alpha$ /°	90	90	90
$\beta$ /°	97.186(5)	97.136(5)	90
$\gamma$ /°	90	90	90
<i>V</i> /Å <sup>3</sup>	2419.4(2)	2274.90(18)	1336.3(3)
<i>Z</i>	8	8	4
$\rho_c$ /g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	2.427	2.307	2.733
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.755	3.728	4.792
<i>F</i> (000)	1648.0	1504.0	1000.0
2 $\theta$ range/°	5.766 to 62.332	5.446 to 64.514	6.706 to 54.99
Reflections collected	6791	12969	6330
Independent reflections	3428 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0237$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0371$ ]	3658 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0335$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0339$ ]	1535 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0335$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0261$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	3428/0/200	3658/0/199	1535/0/100
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.088	1.076	1.110
Final <i>R</i> indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0272$ , wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0583	$R_1 = 0.0496$ , wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1326	$R_1 = 0.0250$ , wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0592
Final <i>R</i> indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0325$ , wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0583	$R_1 = 0.0631$ , wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1410	$R_1 = 0.0330$ , wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0653
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.88/-0.78	1.27/-1.06	0.75/-0.84

**Table S2.** Crystal data and structure refinement for the adducts.

	<b>1·½[Ph<sub>3</sub>PBn]I</b>	<b>2·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	<b>3·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	<b>6·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	<b>7·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>
CCDC No.	1999386	1999387	1999389	1999390	1999393
Empirical formula	C <sub>37</sub> H <sub>22</sub> F <sub>10</sub> I <sub>3</sub> P	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>36</sub> BrF <sub>5</sub> IN	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>36</sub> F <sub>9</sub> I <sub>2</sub> N	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>36</sub> BrF <sub>7</sub> IN	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>36</sub> F <sub>8</sub> I <sub>3</sub> N
M <sub>w</sub> /g	1068.21	616.33	811.38	702.37	919.28
T/K	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Radiation	CuK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )	CuK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )	CuK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )	CuK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )
Crystal color, shape	colorless, prism	colorless, plate	colorless, prism	colorless, prism	clear colorless, prism
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.283 × 0.099 × 0.026	0.18 × 0.14 × 0.05	0.36 × 0.17 × 0.10	0.35 × 0.18 × 0.10	0.2 × 0.15 × 0.15
Crystal system	triclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
Space group	P-1	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	P-1
a/Å	10.2393(8)	24.0165(12)	28.0093(4)	26.0491(2)	11.9736(7)
b/Å	13.6558(6)	7.7405(3)	8.01206(12)	7.89570(10)	12.1384(7)
c/Å	14.2346(9)	14.1780(6)	14.19750(17)	14.01250(10)	12.5839(6)
$\alpha/^\circ$	74.294(5)	90	90	90	88.791(4)
$\beta/^\circ$	71.458(6)	95.897(4)	97.3595(11)	99.9450(10)	86.919(4)
$\gamma/^\circ$	87.706(5)	90	90	90	63.430(6)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	1814.3(2)	2621.7(2)	3159.85(7)	2838.73(5)	1633.41(16)
Z	2	4	4	4	2
$\rho_c/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	1.955	1.561	1.706	1.643	1.869
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	21.419	2.789	16.279	11.064	23.117
F(000)	1016.0	1232.0	1592.0	1400.0	884.0
2 $\theta$ range/°	6.732 to 139.984	5.116 to 69.612	3.18 to 145.67	3.444 to 140.962	7.034 to 153.018
Reflections collected	24760	22276	18273	24386	31463
Independent reflections	6682 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0772, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0608]	10511 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0295, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0460]	6246 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0448, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0428]	5437 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0449, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0336]	6725 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0535, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0308]
Data/restraints/parameters	6682/0/460	10511/0/275	6246/0/365	5437/0/329	6725/4/388
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.102	1.028	1.044	1.058	1.040
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0510, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1383	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0351, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0576	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0365, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0985	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0242, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0592	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0371, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0949
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0542, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1418	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0545, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0632	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0409, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1025	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0263, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0605	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0432, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1001
Largest diff. peak/hole / e·Å <sup>-3</sup>	2.30/-1.52	1.01/-0.67	0.97/-0.97	0.58/-0.38	1.35/-1.82



**Fig. S1.** Hirshfeld surfaces for the XRD structures of **4** (*a*) and **7–8** (*b–c*):  $d_i$  is the distance from the surface to the nearest nucleus internal to the surface, normalized by  $R_{\text{vdW}}$  of the involving atoms;  $d_e$  is the distance from the surface to the nearest nucleus external to the surface, normalized by  $R_{\text{vdW}}$  of the involving atoms;  $d_{\text{norm}}$  is a normalized contact distance obtained as the sum of  $d_i$  and  $d_e$  quantities, where intermolecular contacts closer than  $\Sigma R_{\text{vdW}}$  highlighted in red, longer contacts are blue, and contacts around  $\Sigma R_{\text{vdW}}$  are white.

**Table S3.** Results of HSA for the XRD structures of **3–4** and **7–8**.

XRD structure	Contributions of different intermolecular contacts to the molecular Hirshfeld surface*
<b>3</b>	F–F 49.3%, C–F 22.8%, I–F 17.6%, C–I 6.5%, C–C 3.6%
<b>4</b>	F–F 50.1%, C–F 24.0%, Br–F 16.2%, C–Br 5.5%, C–C 4.2%
<b>7</b>	I–F 40.3%, C–F 31.3%, F–F 22.1%, C–I 3.6%, I–I 2.7%
<b>8</b>	F–F 35.7%, Br–F 27.3%, C–F 21.4%, C–Br 8.5%, Br–Br 4.3%, C–C 2.8%

\*The contributions of all other intermolecular contacts do not exceed 1%.

**Table S4.** Parameters of C–X···F (X = Br, I) XBs in **3–4** and **7–8**.

Structure	Contact	<i>d</i> (X···F), Å	$\angle(\text{C}-\text{X}\cdots\text{F}), ^\circ$	$\angle(\text{C}-\text{F}\cdots\text{X}), ^\circ$	R <sup>a</sup>
<b>3</b>	C4–I1···F9–C12	3.4287(15)	150.68(7)	137.94(13)	0.99
<b>4</b>	C4–Br1···F9–C12	3.305(2)	153.34(10)	138.35(18)	1.00
<b>7</b>	C4–I1···F4–C6	3.2813(19)	146.65(10)	135.49(16)	0.95
<b>8</b>	C4–Br1···F5–C8	3.2520(18)	149.09(12)	132.74(15)	0.98
	Comparison <sup>b</sup>		150<∠<180	90	

<sup>a</sup> R is a ratio between the interatomic distance and  $\Sigma R_{\text{vdW}}$ ;  $\Sigma R_{\text{vdW}}$  are:  $R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{I}) + R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{F}) = 3.45 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{Br}) + R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{F}) = 3.32 \text{ \AA}$ .

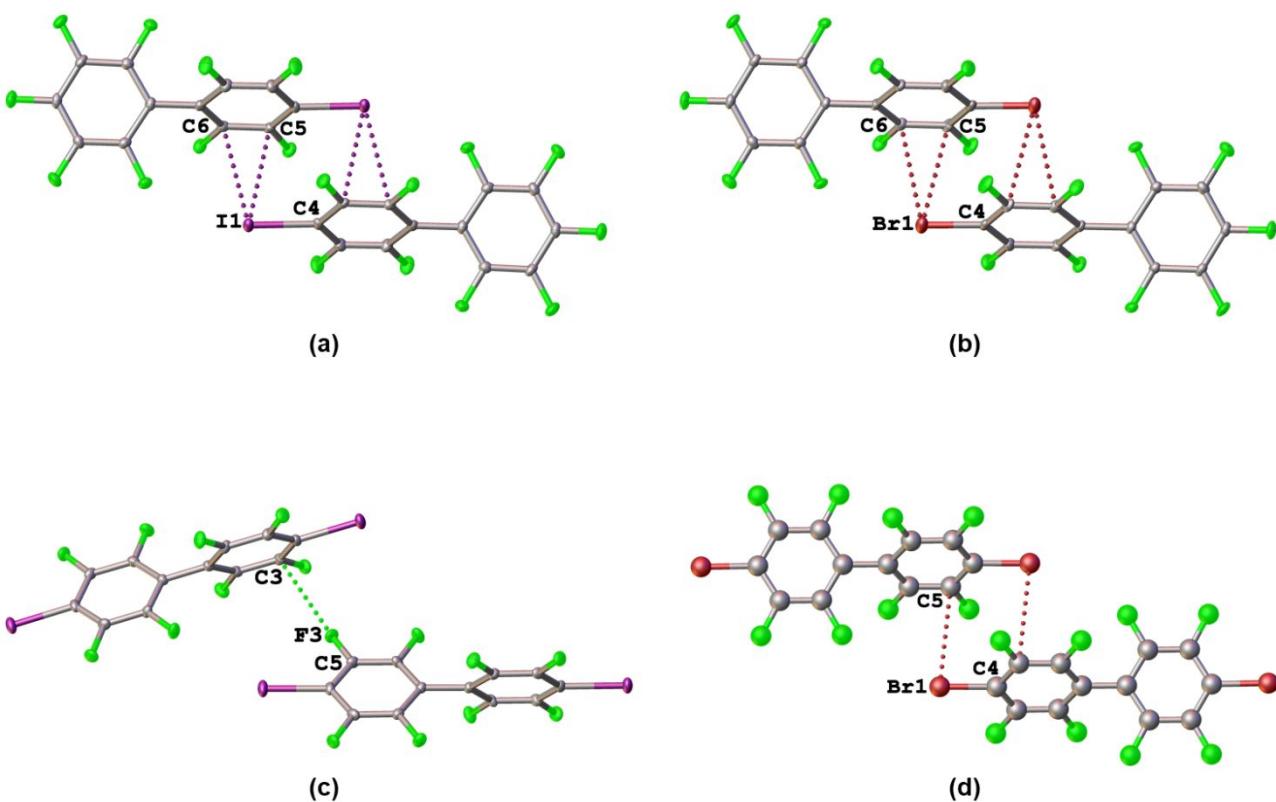
<sup>b</sup> Comparison with the typical XB angles.

**Table S5.** Parameters of C···X–C (X = F, Br, I) LP–π short contacts in **3–4** and **7–8**.

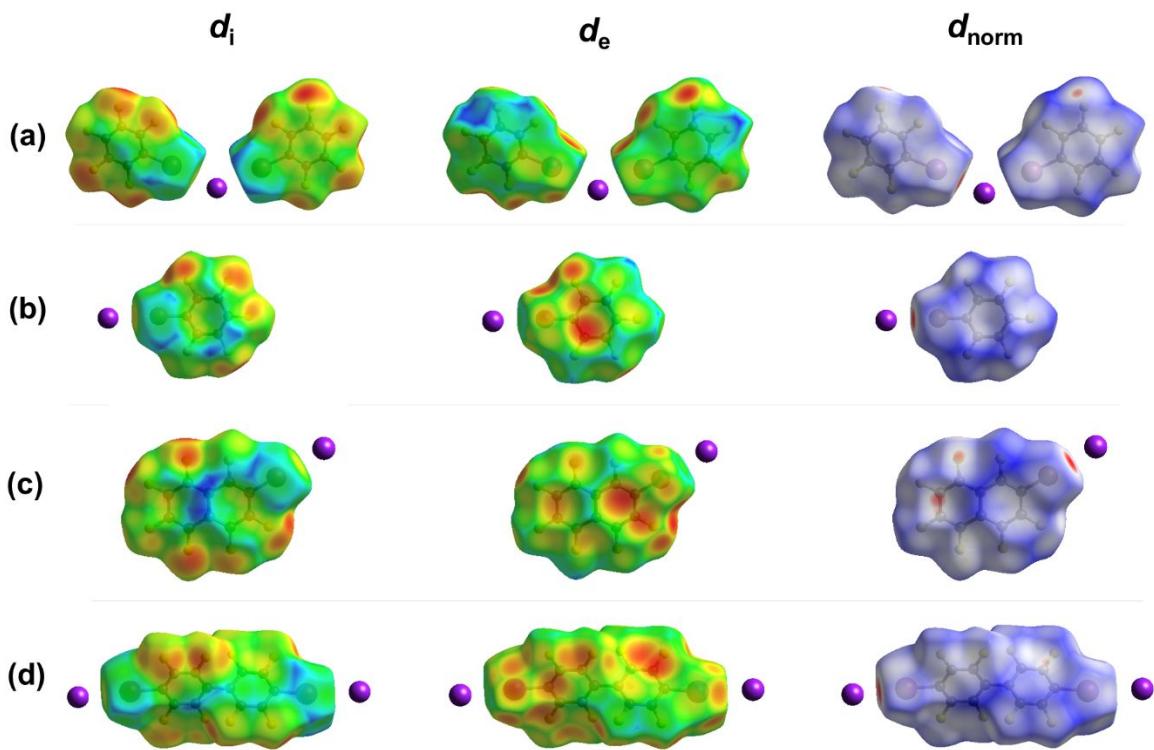
Structure	Contact	<i>d</i> (C···F), Å	<i>∠</i> (C···F–C), °	R <sup>a</sup>
<b>3</b>	C5···I1–C4 <sup>b</sup>	3.651(2)	77.10(7)	0.99
	C6···I1–C4 <sup>b</sup>	3.679(2)	98.85(7)	1.00
<b>4</b>	C5···Br1–C4 <sup>b</sup>	3.495(3)	76.88(11)	0.98
	C6···Br1–C4 <sup>b</sup>	3.515(3)	99.69(11)	0.99
<b>7</b>	C3···F3–C5	2.956(4)	155.24(19)	0.93
<b>8</b>	C5···Br1–C4	3.598(4)	83.41(10)	1.01

<sup>a</sup> R is a ratio between the interatomic distance and  $\Sigma R_{\text{vdW}}$ ;  $\Sigma R_{\text{vdW}}$  are:  $R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{C}) + R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{I}) = 3.68 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{C}) + R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{Br}) = 3.55 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{C}) + R_{\text{vdW}}(\text{F}) = 3.17 \text{ \AA}$ .

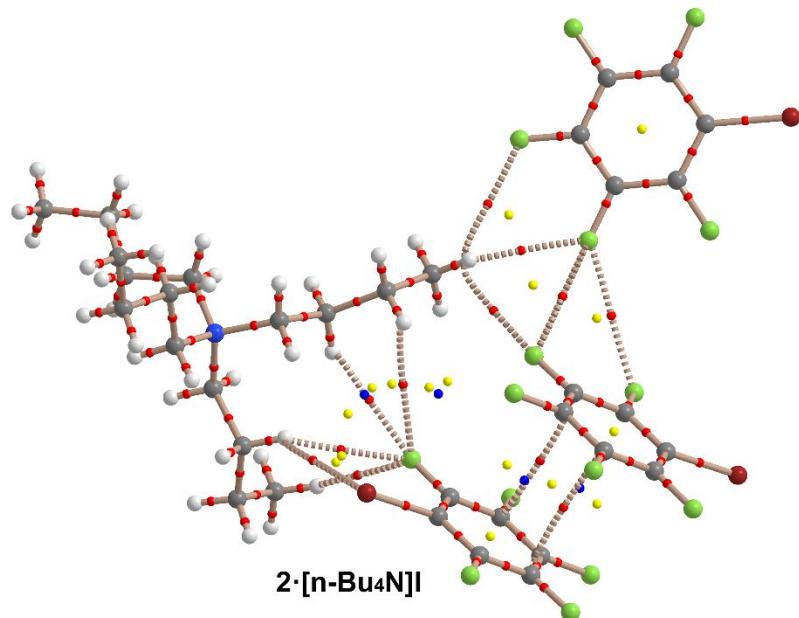
<sup>b</sup> ‘From-the-bond’ (C–C)···X–C (X = Br, I) LP–π contacts.



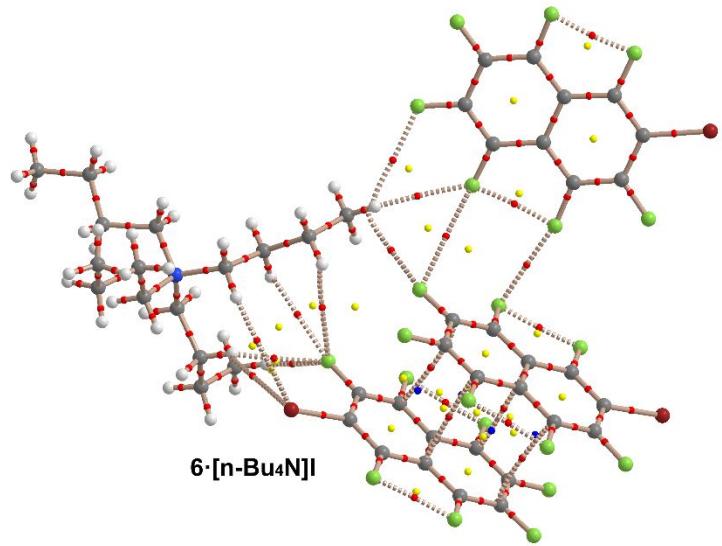
**Fig. S2.** The C···X–C (X = F, Br, I) LP– $\pi$  short contacts in the crystal structures of **3** (a), **4** (b), **7** (c), and **8** (d). Thermal ellipsoids are shown with the 50% probability.



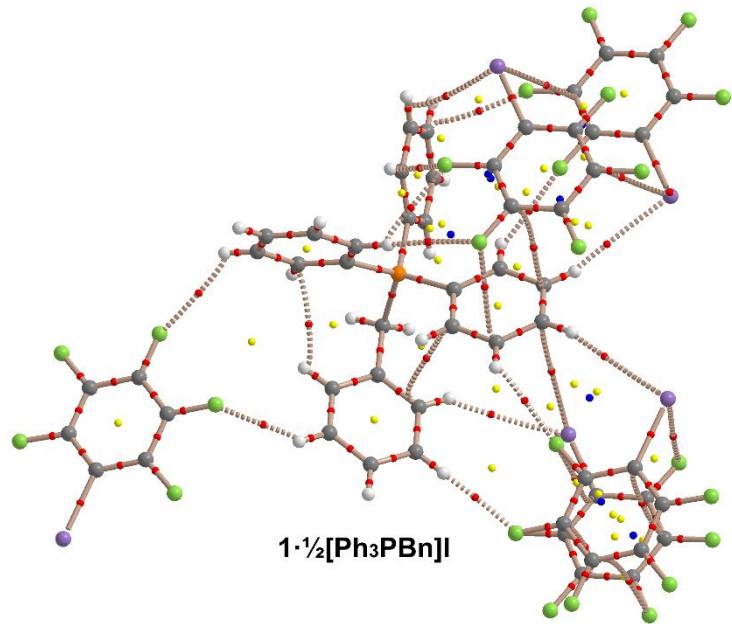
**Fig. S3.** Hirshfeld surfaces for **1** (*a*), **2** (*b*), **6** (*c*), and **7** (*d*) in the XRD structures of the obtained adducts. The remaining figure legend is as on **Fig. S1**.



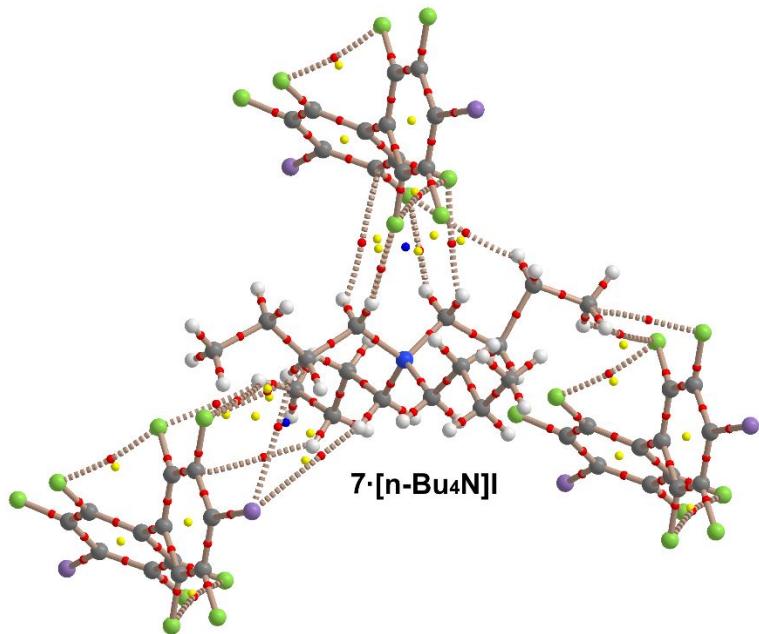
**Fig. S4.** Distribution of bond, ring and cage critical points (red, yellow and blue spheres, respectively) and bond paths for the adduct **2**·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I at the PBE1PBE-D3/def2-TZVP level of theory.



**Fig. S5.** Distribution of bond, ring and cage critical points (red, yellow and blue spheres, respectively) and bond paths for the adduct **6·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I** at the PBE1PBE-D3/def2-TZVP level of theory



**Fig. S6.** Distribution of bond, ring and cage critical points (red, yellow and blue spheres, respectively) and bond paths for the adduct **1·½[Ph<sub>3</sub>NBn]I** at the PBE1PBE-D3/def2-TZVP level of theory



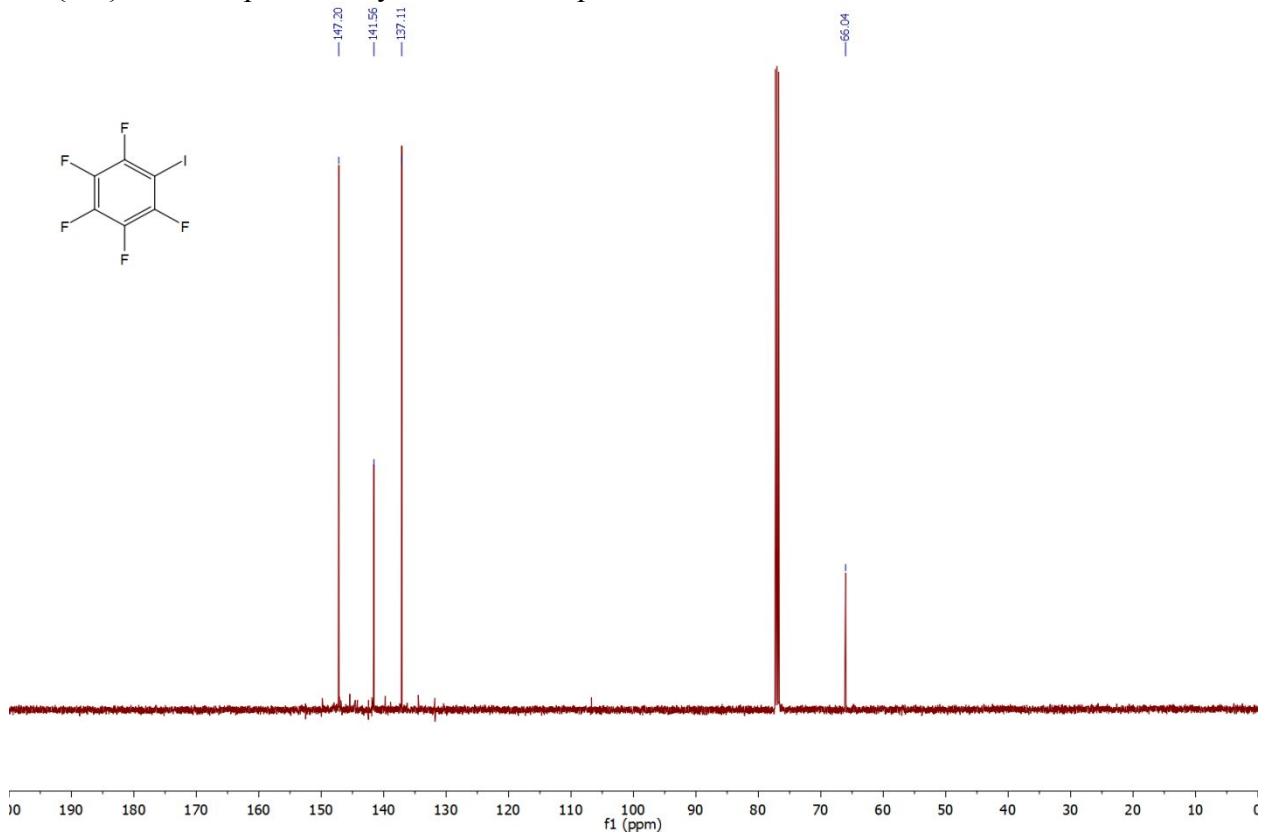
**Fig. S7.** Distribution of bond, ring and cage critical points (red, yellow and blue spheres, respectively) and bond paths for the adduct  $7\cdot[n\text{-Bu}_4\text{N}]I$  at the PBE1PBE-D3/def2-TZVP level of theory

**Table S6.** Results of the Hirshfeld surface analysis for the XRD structures of the obtained adducts.

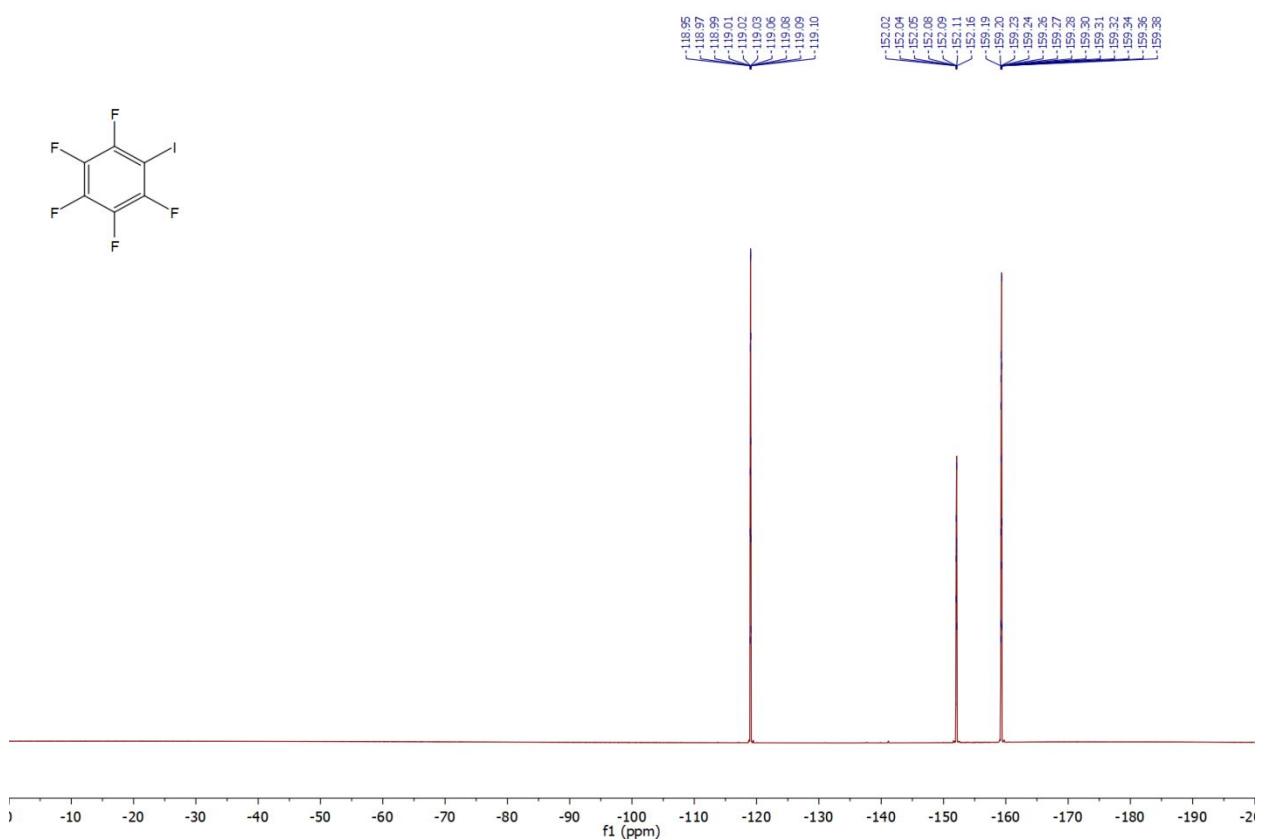
XRD structure	Contributions of different intermolecular contacts to the molecular Hirshfeld surface*
<b>1·½[Ph<sub>3</sub>PBn]I</b>	H–F 33.5%, F–F 14.6%, C–F 13.3%, H–I 12.4%, C–C 9.0%, I–F 8.2%, C–I 4.5%, I–I 3.0%, H–C 1.4%
<b>2·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	H–F 34.5%, F–F 24.3%, H–Br 16.9%, C–F 9.3%, H–C 6.9%, C–C 5.1%, I–Br 2.0%, Br–F 1.0%
<b>3·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	F–F 33.0%, H–F 22.8%, C–F 22.2%, H–I 13.0%, H–C 4.3%, C–C 2.8%, I–I 1.6%
<b>6·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	H–F 27.6%, F–F 26.8%, C–F 16.7%, H–Br 13.2%, C–C 7.9%, H–C 5.7%, I–Br 1.6%
<b>7·[n-Bu<sub>4</sub>N]I</b>	H–F 45.1%, H–I 17.8%, H–C 13.7%, I–F 6.8%, C–I 6.0%, F–F 5.2%, I–I 3.5%, C–F 2.0%

\*The contributions of all other intermolecular contacts do not exceed 1

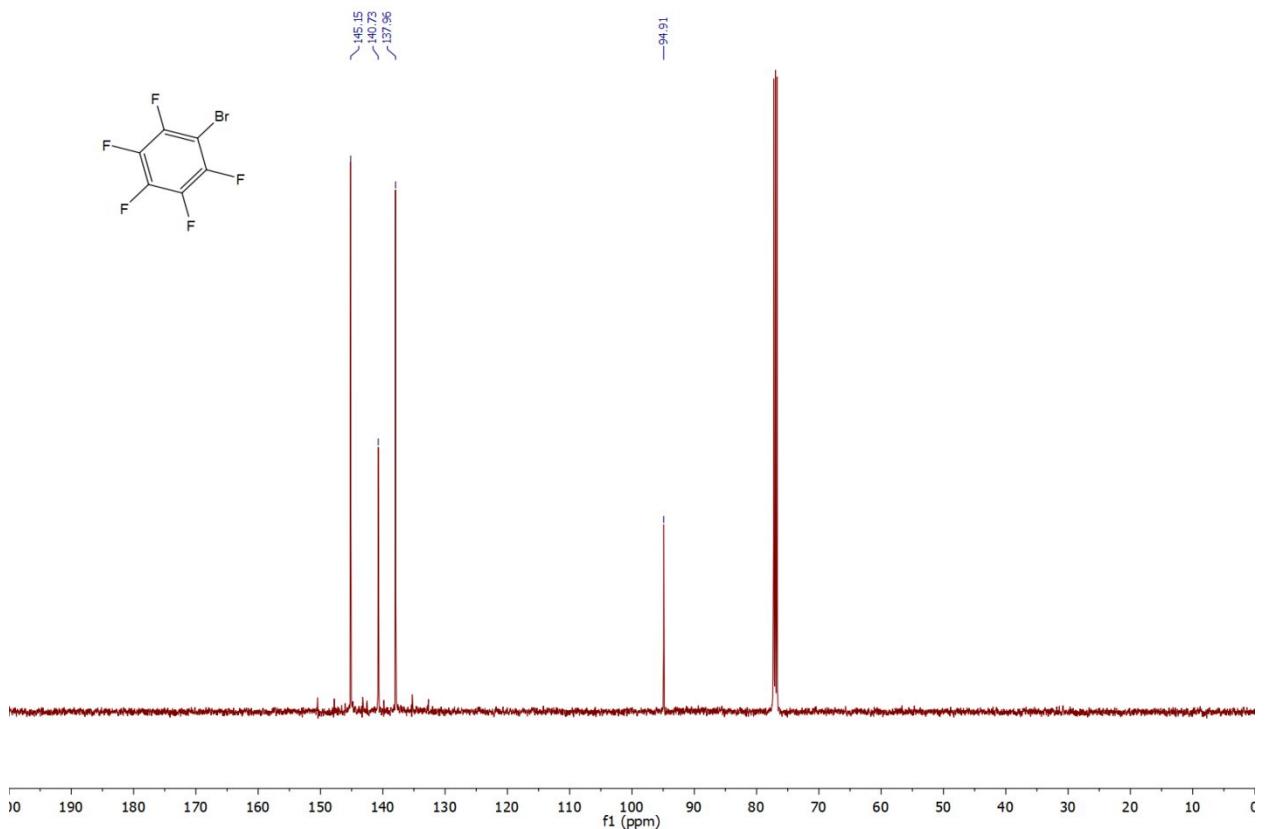
$^{13}\text{C}\{^{19}\text{F}\}$  and  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectra of synthesized compounds.



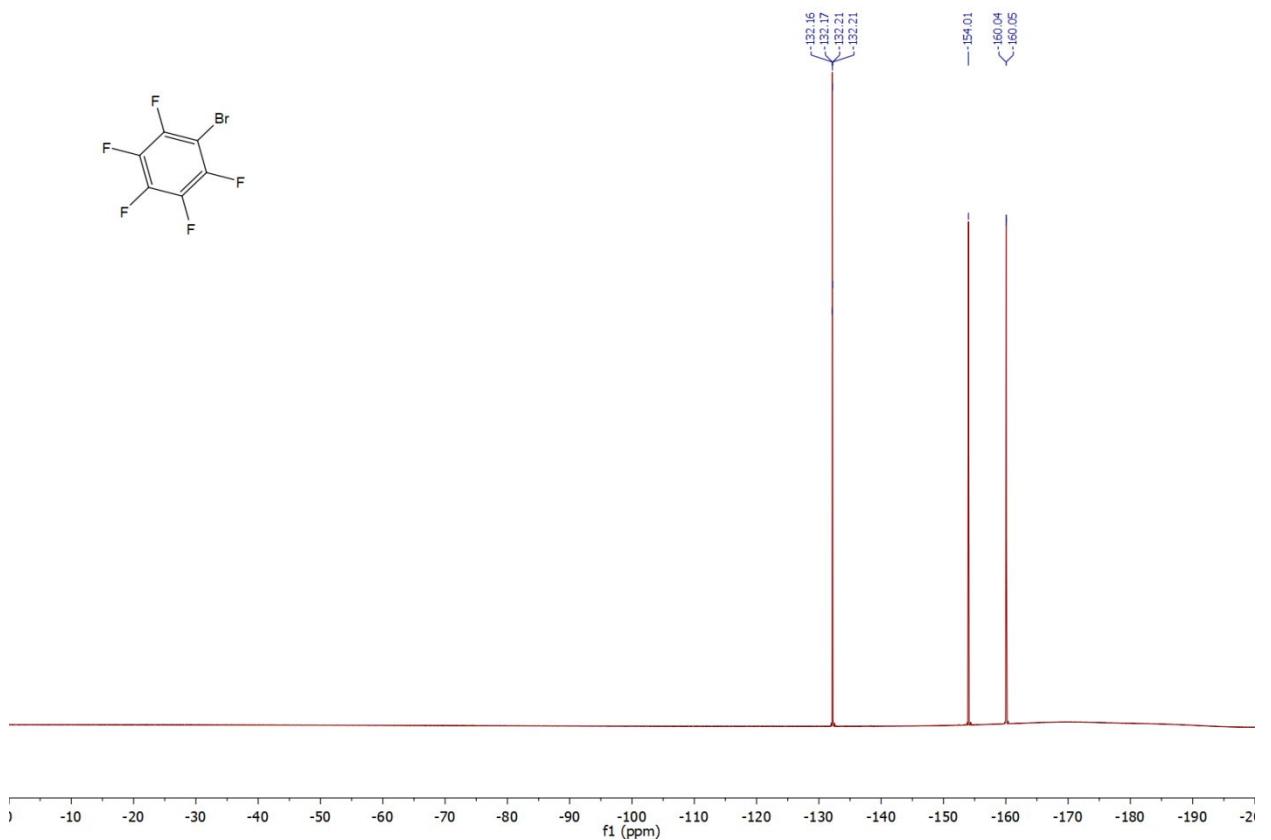
**Fig. S8.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^{19}\text{F}\}$  spectrum of **1**.



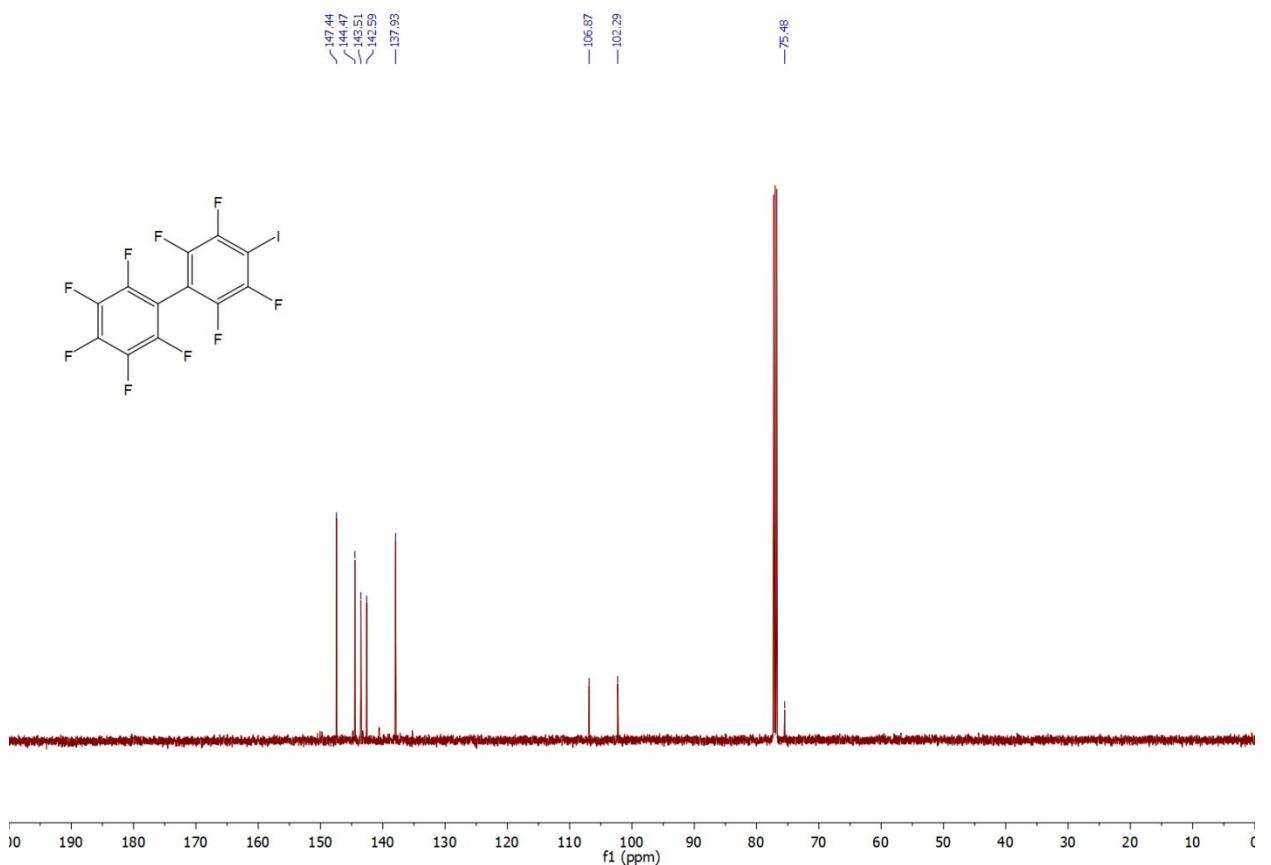
**Fig. S9.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of **1**.



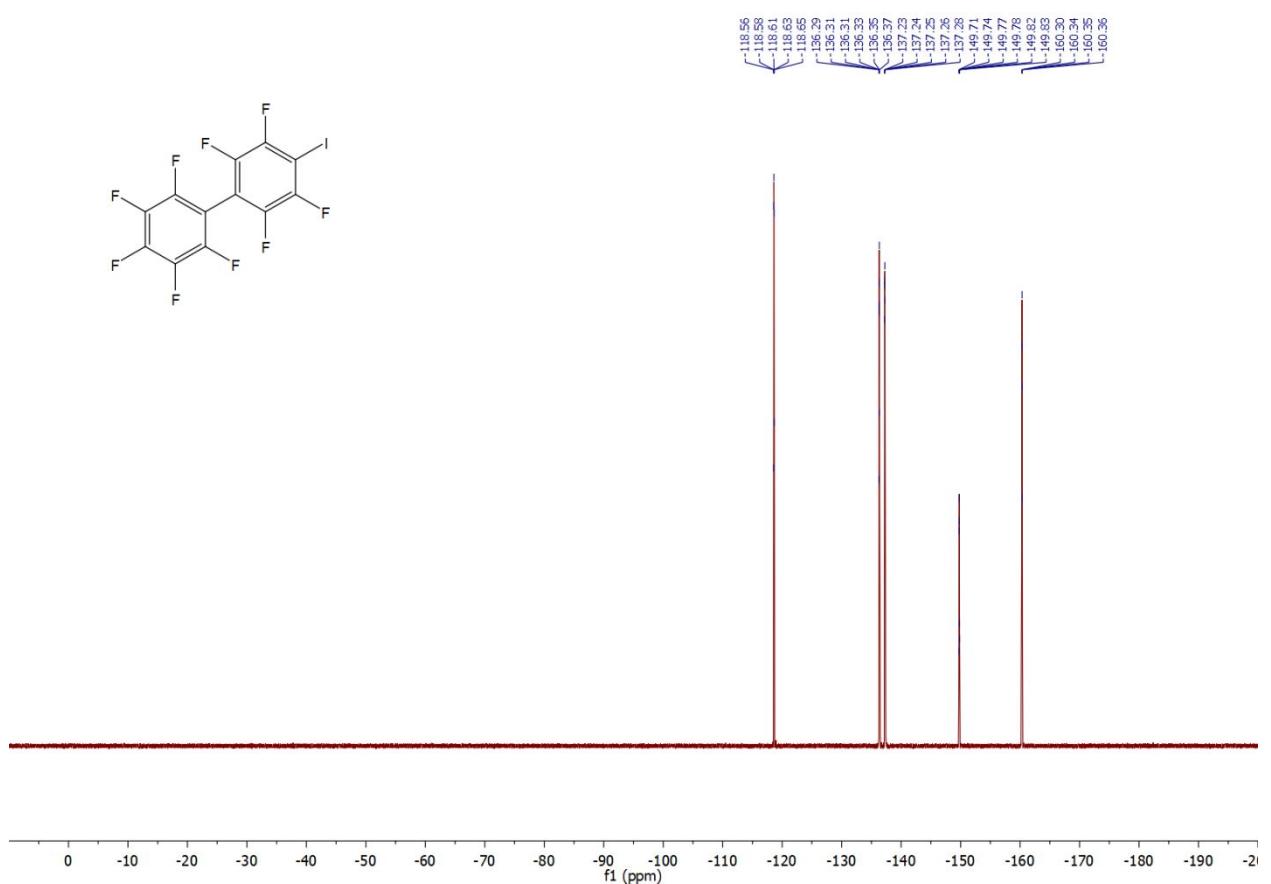
**Fig. S10.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^{19}\text{F}\}$  spectrum of **2**.



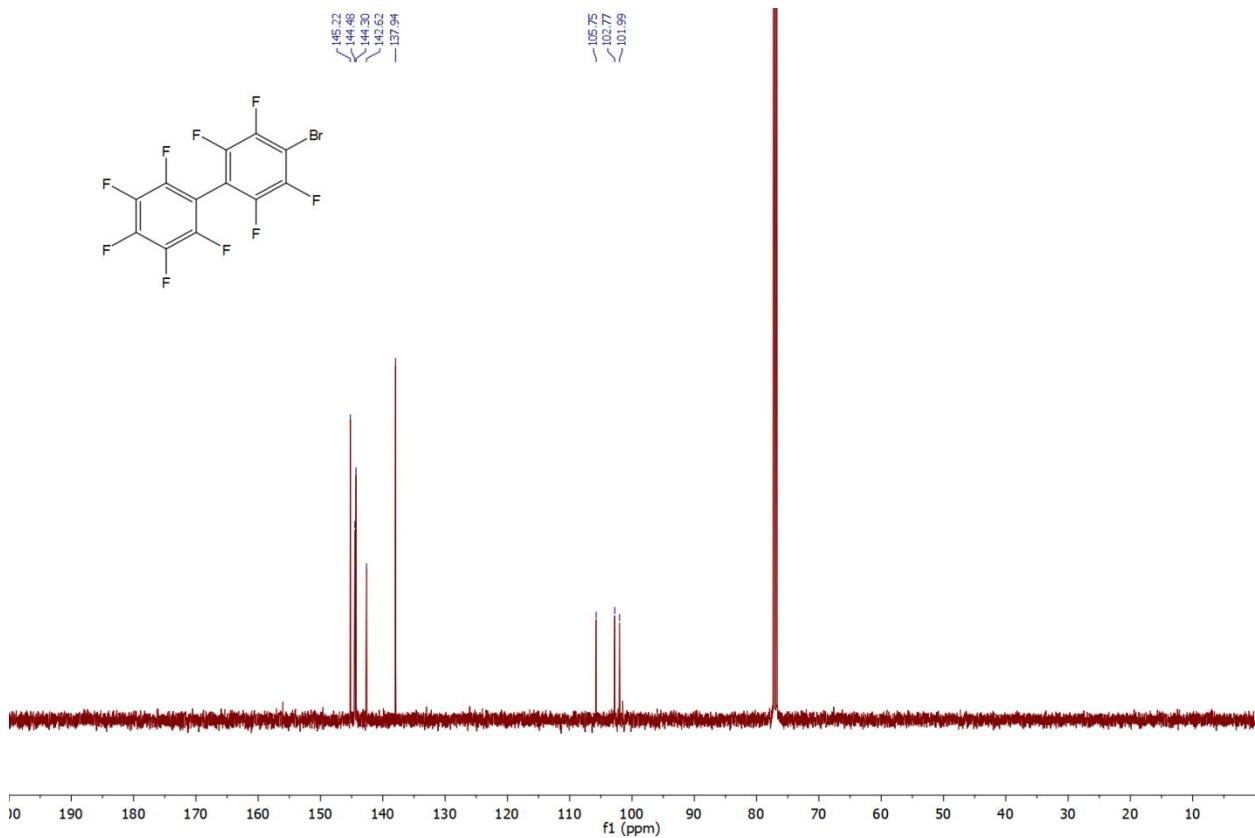
**Fig. S11.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of **2**.



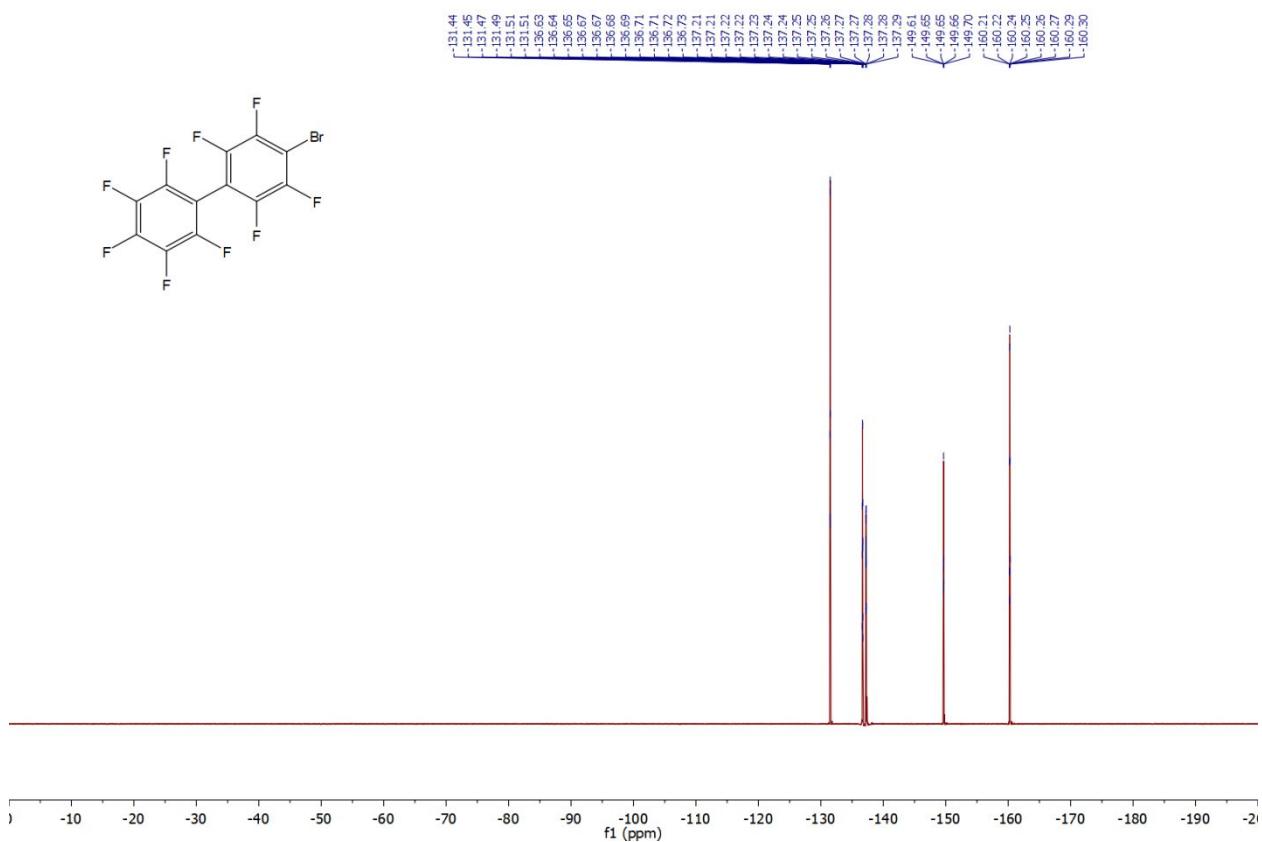
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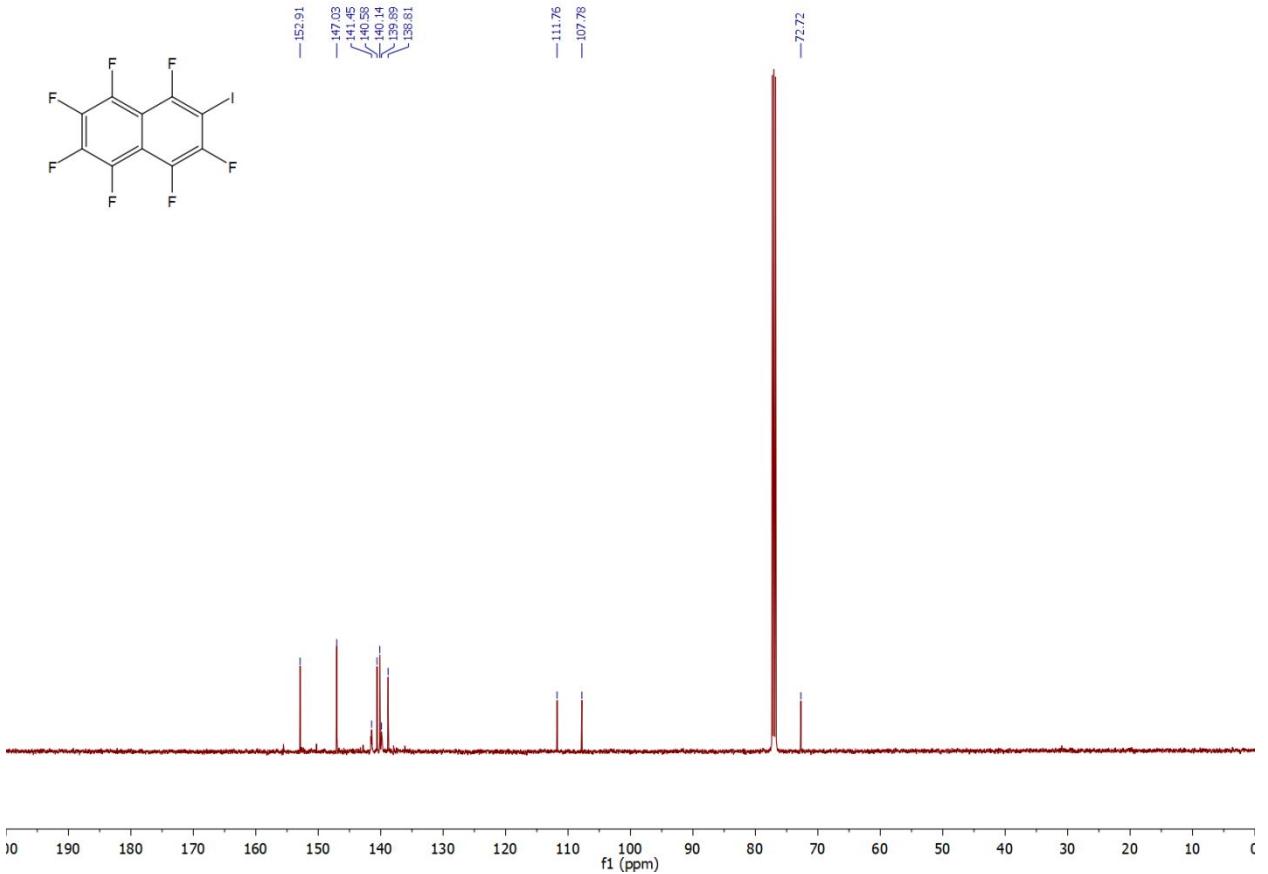
**Fig. S13.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of **3**.



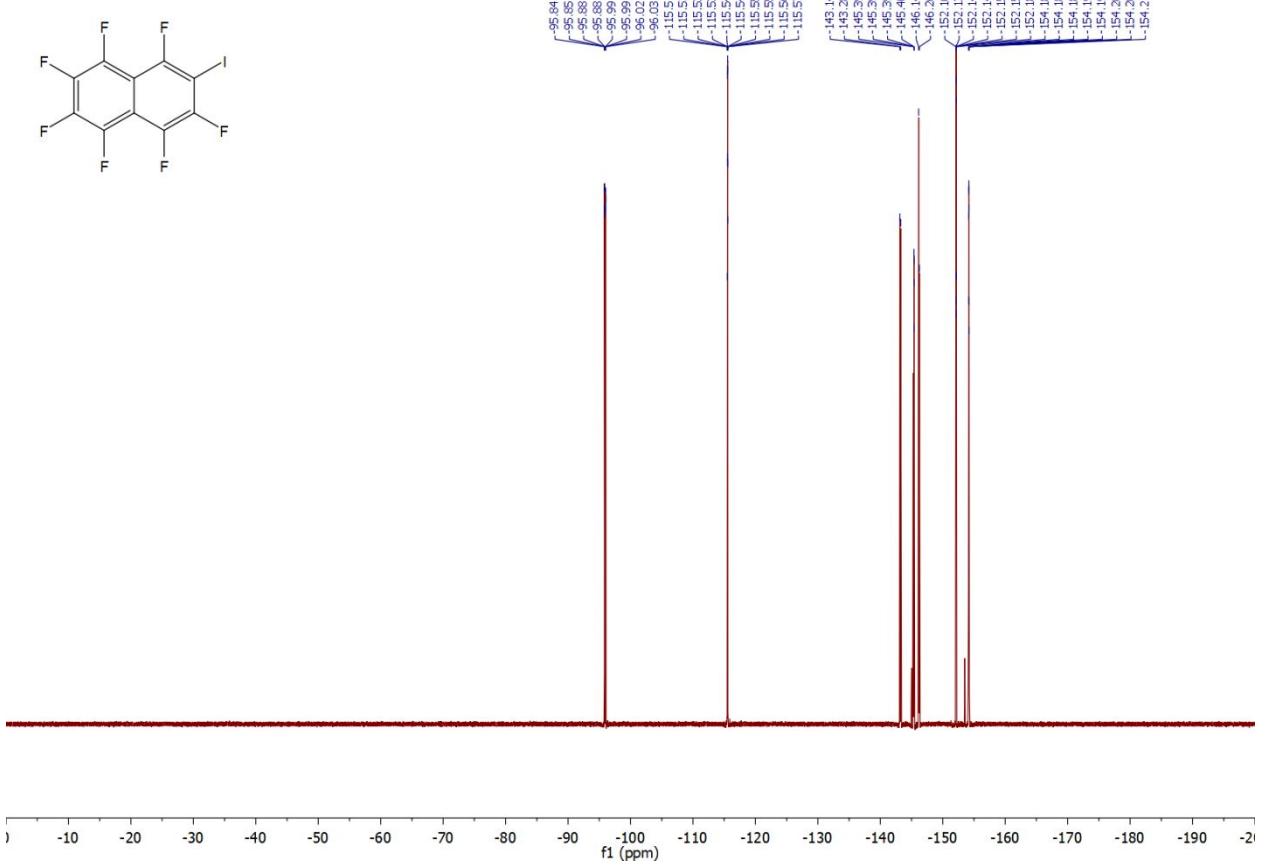
**Fig. S14.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{F}\}$  spectrum of 4.



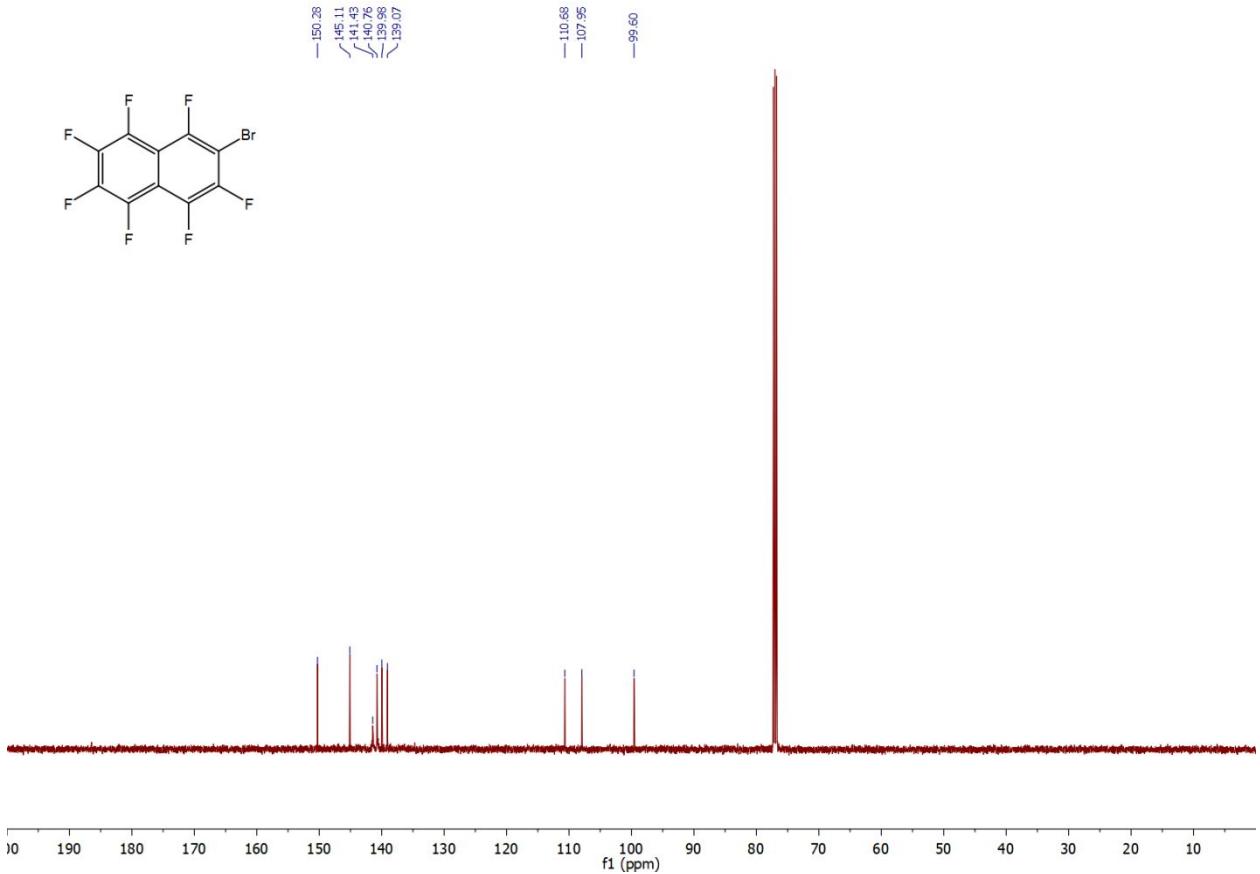
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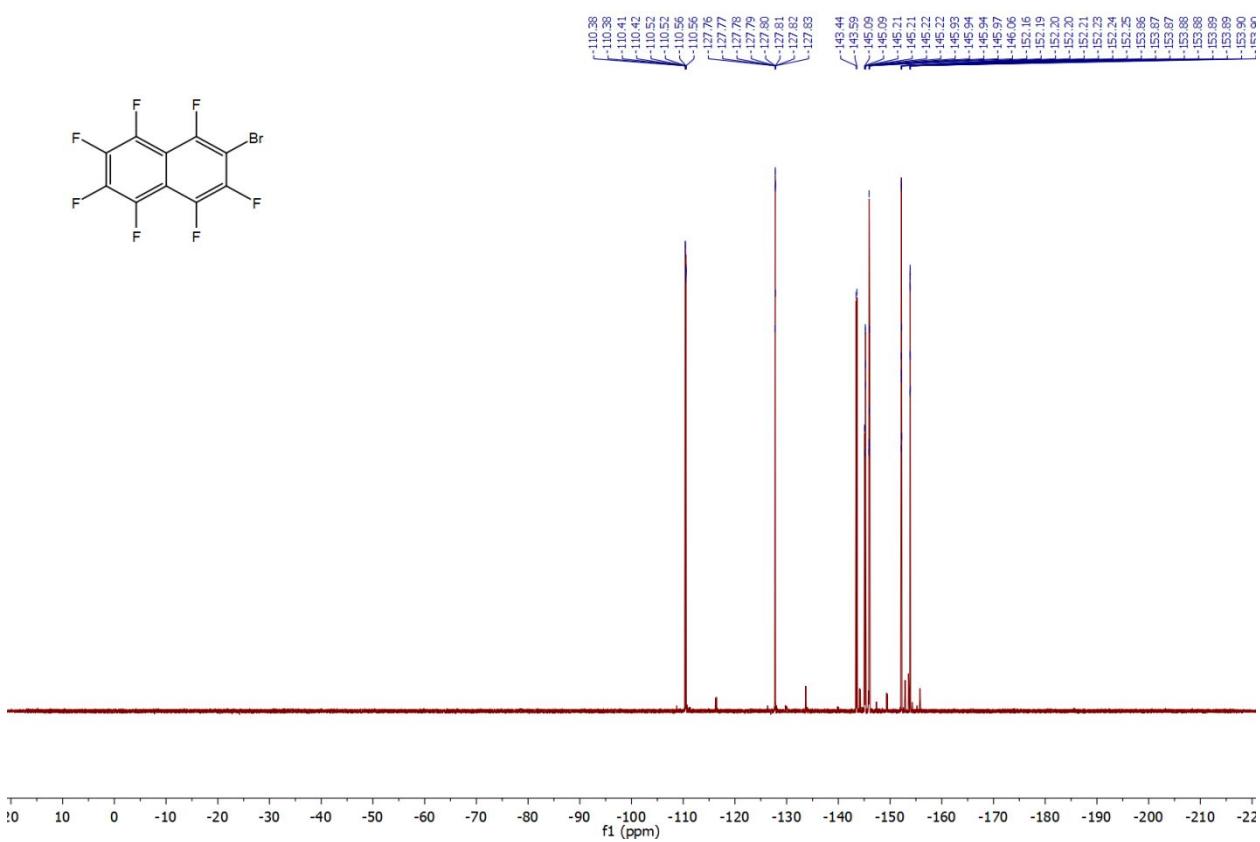
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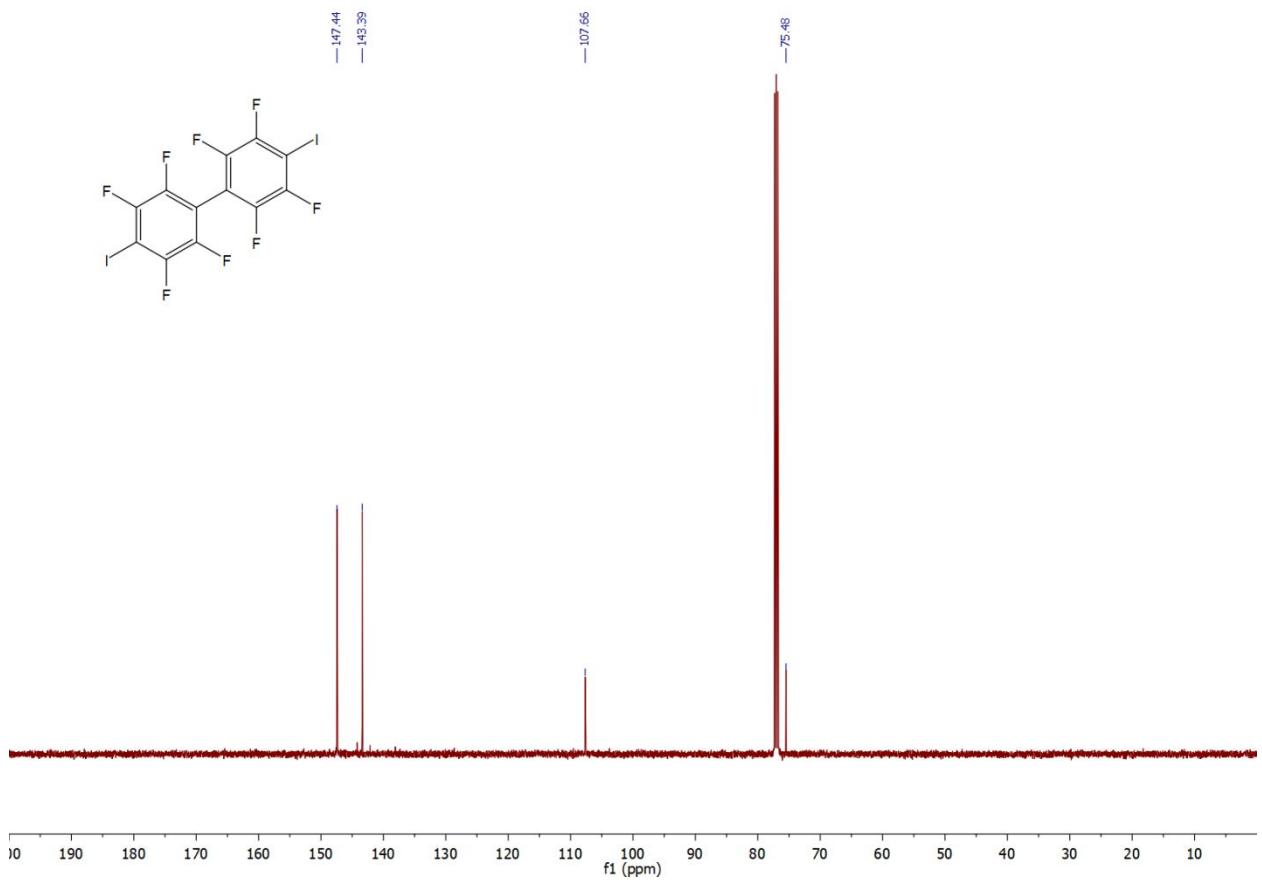
**Fig. S17.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of **5**.



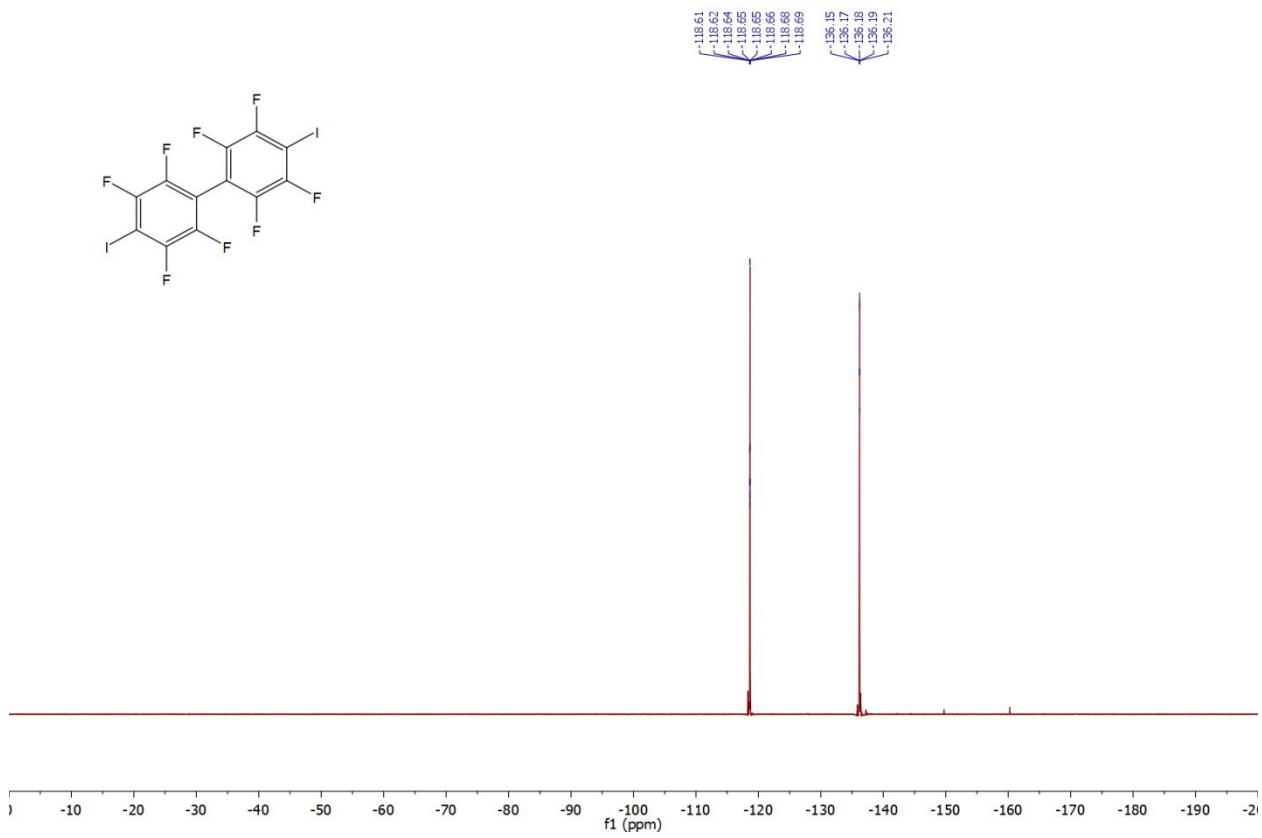
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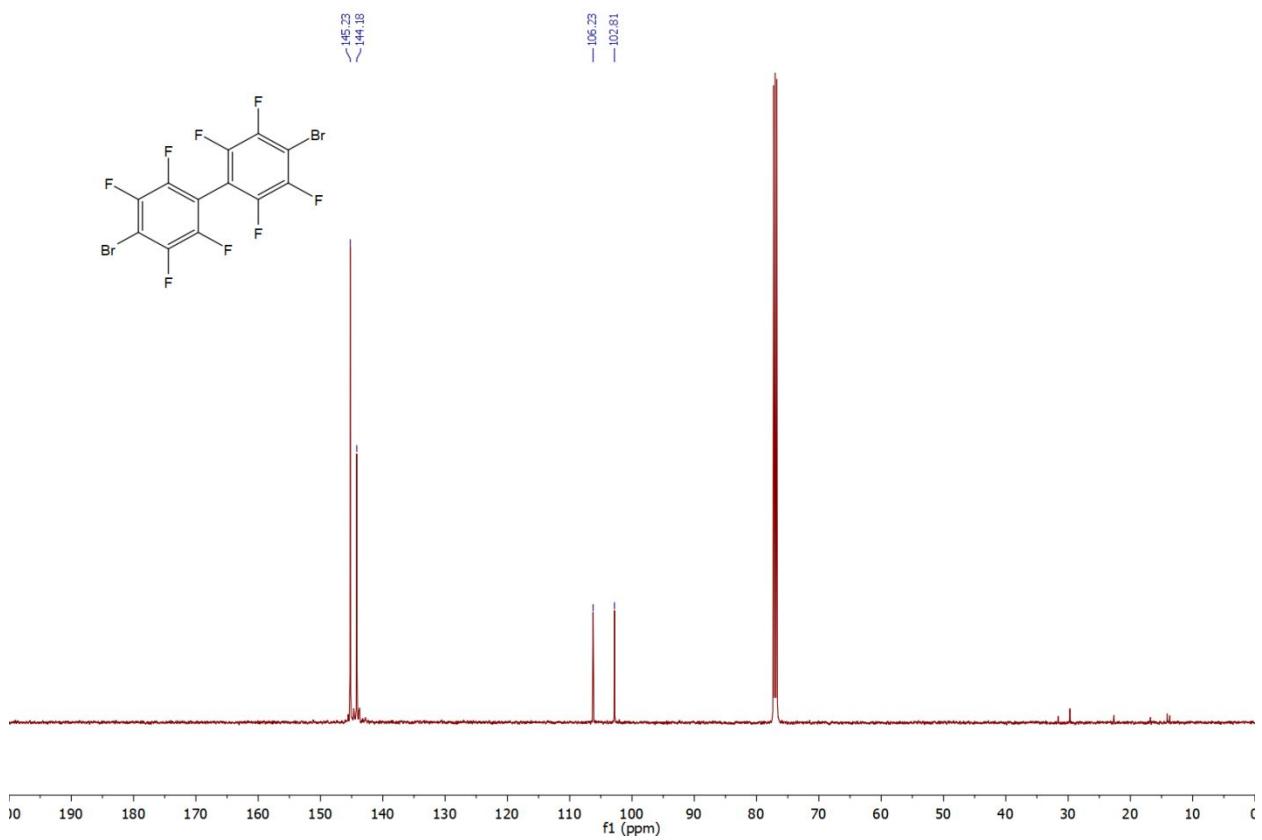
**Fig. S19.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of **6**.



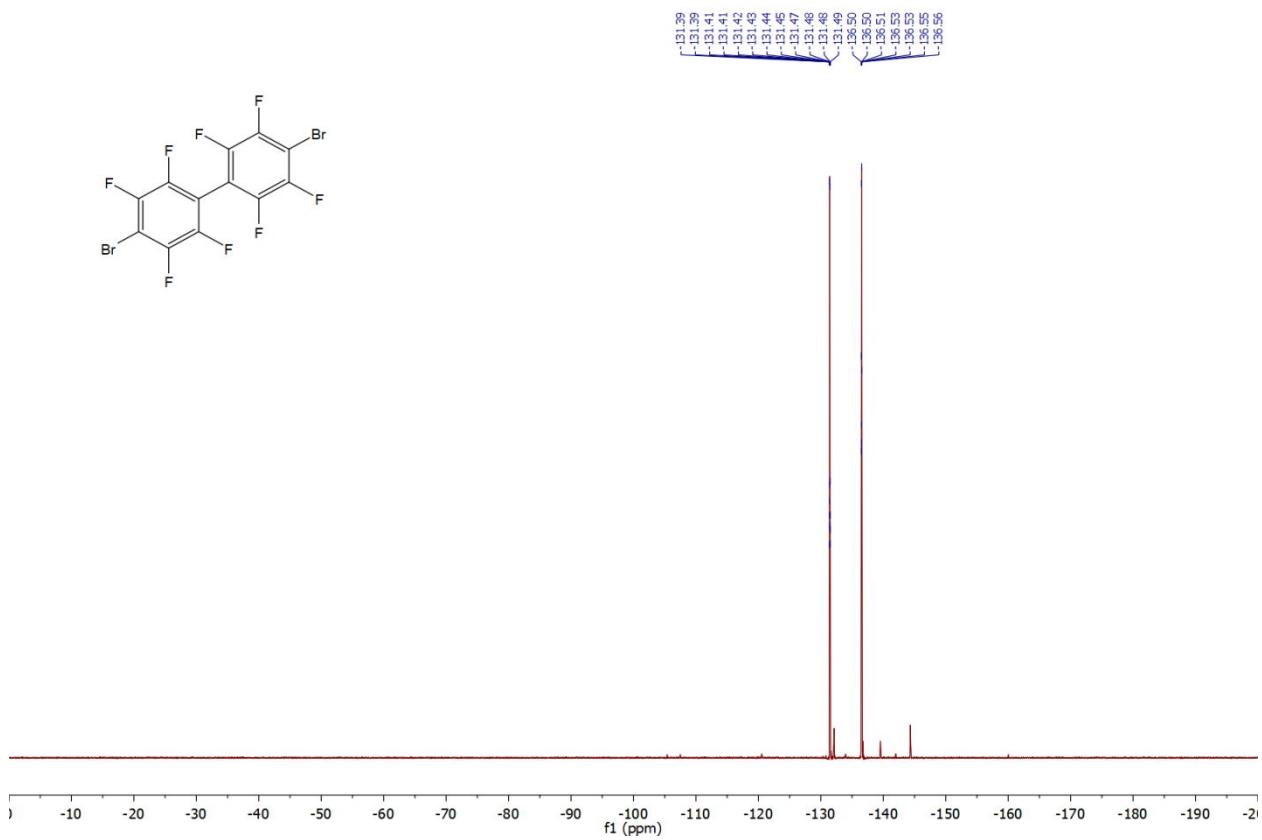
**Fig. S20.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^{19}\text{F}\}$  spectrum of 7.



**Fig. S21.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of 7.



**Fig. S22.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^{19}\text{F}\}$  spectrum of **8**.



**Fig. S23.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  spectrum of **8**.