

## Supporting Information

### A NEW FUNCTIONAL BIS(*meta*-PHENYLENE)-32-CROWN-10-BASED CRYPTAND HOST FOR PARAQUATS

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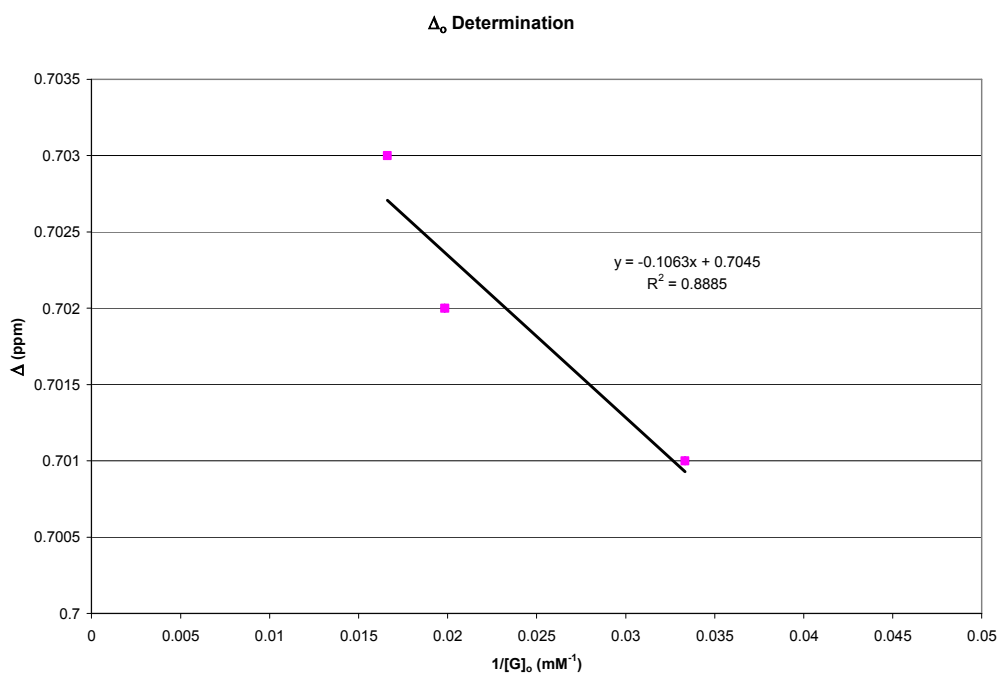
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**General:** All reagents and starting materials were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich or Alfa Aesar. Bis(5-bromomethyl-1,3-phenylene)-32-C-10<sup>1</sup> and N,N'-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium bis(hexafluorophosphate),<sup>2</sup> **PQ(PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub>**, were prepared according to literature procedures. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using PE SIL G/UV from Whatman and aluminum oxide 60 F<sub>254</sub> from EMD Chemicals, Inc. Column chromatography was performed with 40-63  $\mu$ m flash silica from Silicycle and aluminum oxide 90 (neutral) from EM Science. Melting points were determined on a Büchi Melting Point B-540 and are uncorrected. NMR analysis was performed in deuterated solvents as received from Cambridge Isotope Laboratories. NMR spectra were obtained on either a Varian Inova 400 MHz or Varian Unity 400 MHz. Chemical shifts are relative to tetramethylenesilane. High resolution fast atom bombardment (HR FAB) mass spectra were obtained on a JEOL HX110 dual focusing mass spectrometer equipped with a FAB probe. Isothermal titration calorimetry was performed on a Microcal instrument.

### NMR determination of complexation of $3 \cdot \text{PQ}(\text{PF}_6)_2$ .

Determination of  $\Delta_o$  was accomplished by measuring the chemical shift of  $\text{H}_1$  of **3** at constant host concentration (1.00 mM) while varying the guest concentration from 1.20 mM to 60.0 mM in acetone- $d_6$  at room temperature (22-23°C).  $\Delta_o$  was determined to be 0.70 ppm.

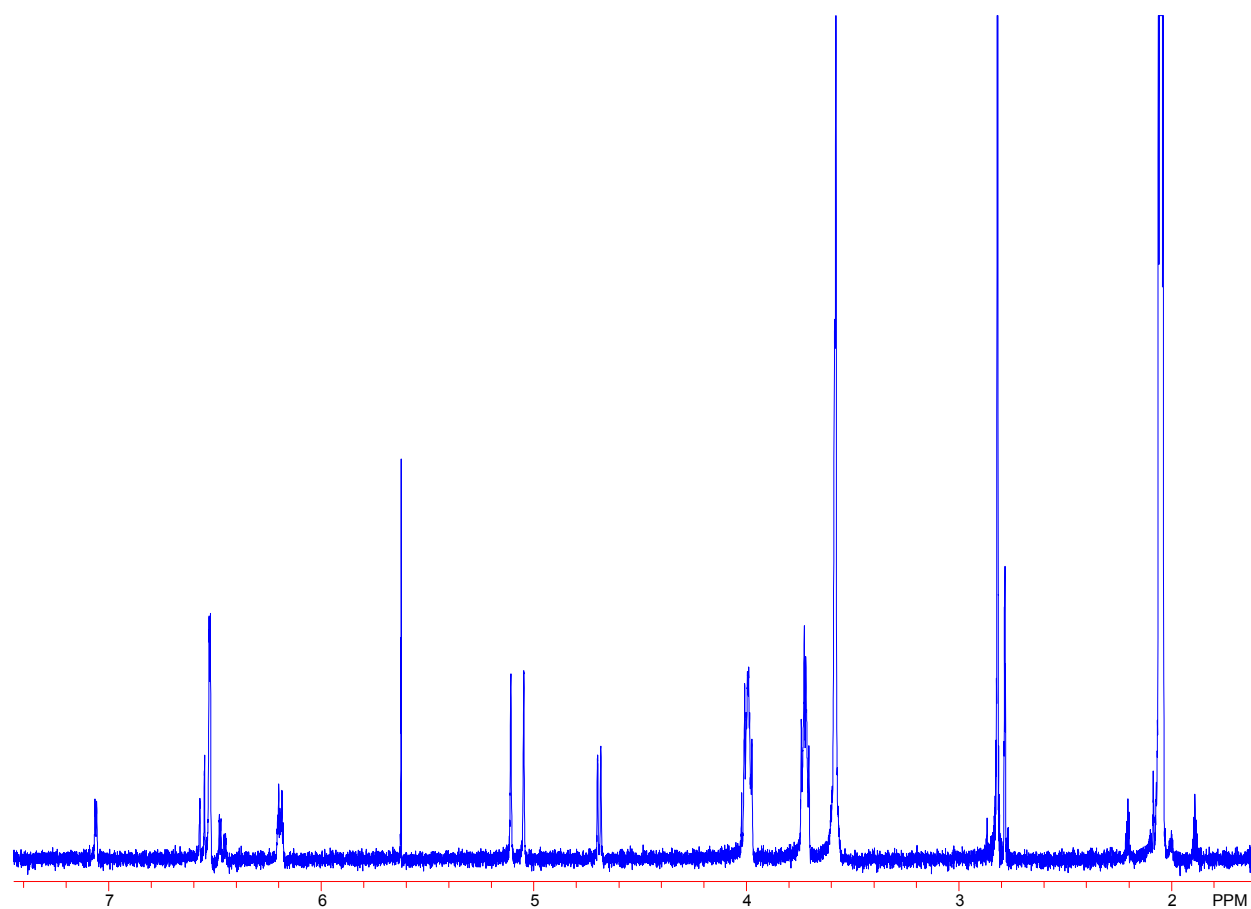
$[\text{PQ}(\text{PF}_6)_2]_o$ (mM)	$\text{H}_1$ Chemical Shift (ppm)
0.00	6.160
1.20	5.513
10.3	5.469
30.0	5.467
50.5	5.466
60.2	5.465



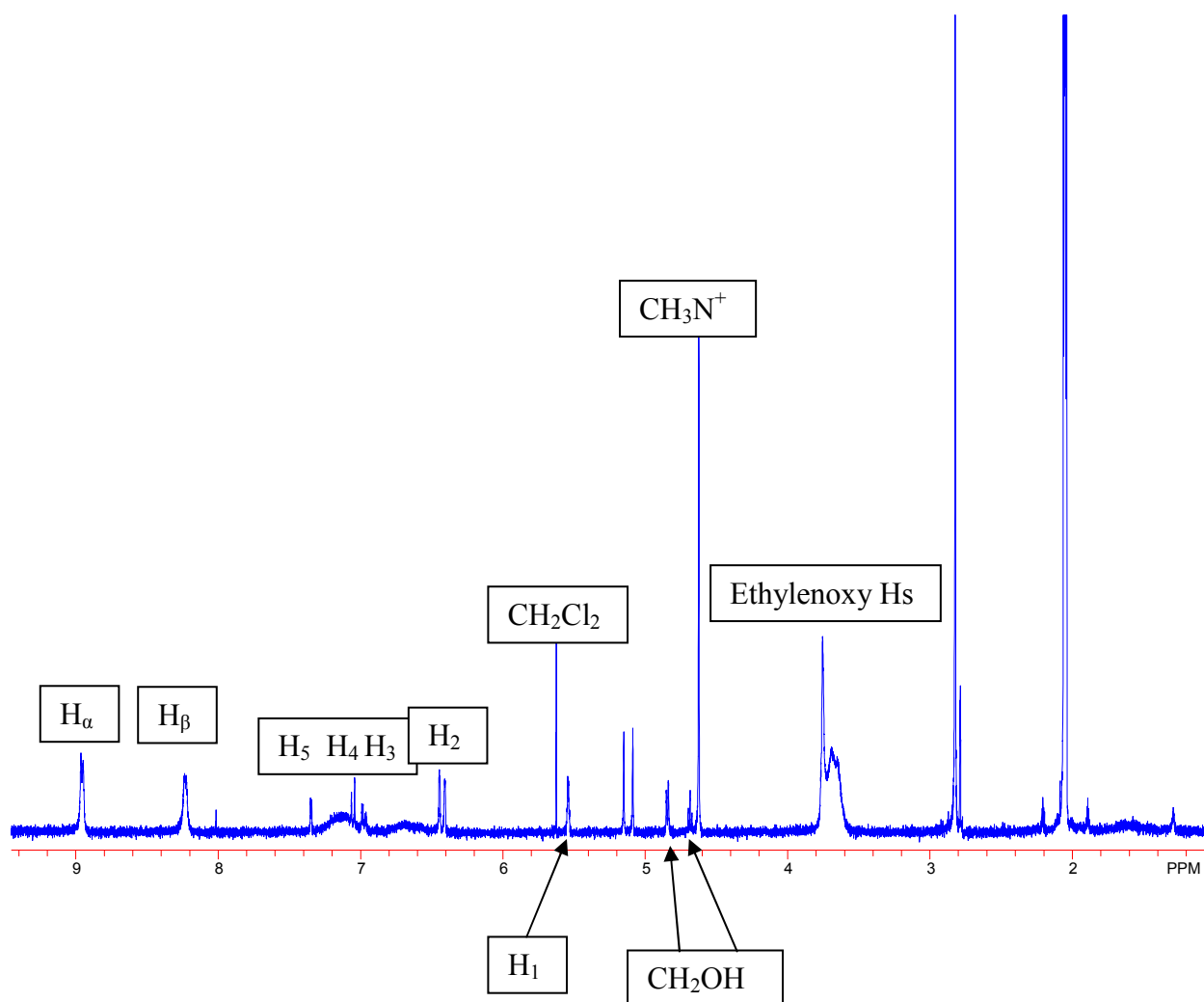
The stoichiometry of  $3 \cdot \text{PQ}(\text{PF}_6)_2$  was determined by the Job plot method<sup>3</sup> (Figure 2). Solutions were made according the following matrix:

$[\mathbf{3}]_o$ (mM)	$[\text{PQ}(\text{PF}_6)_2]_o$ (mM)	$\text{H}_1$ Chemical Shift (ppm)
0.2	0.8	5.499
0.3	0.7	5.510
0.5	0.5	5.473
0.7	0.3	5.845
0.8	0.2	6.006

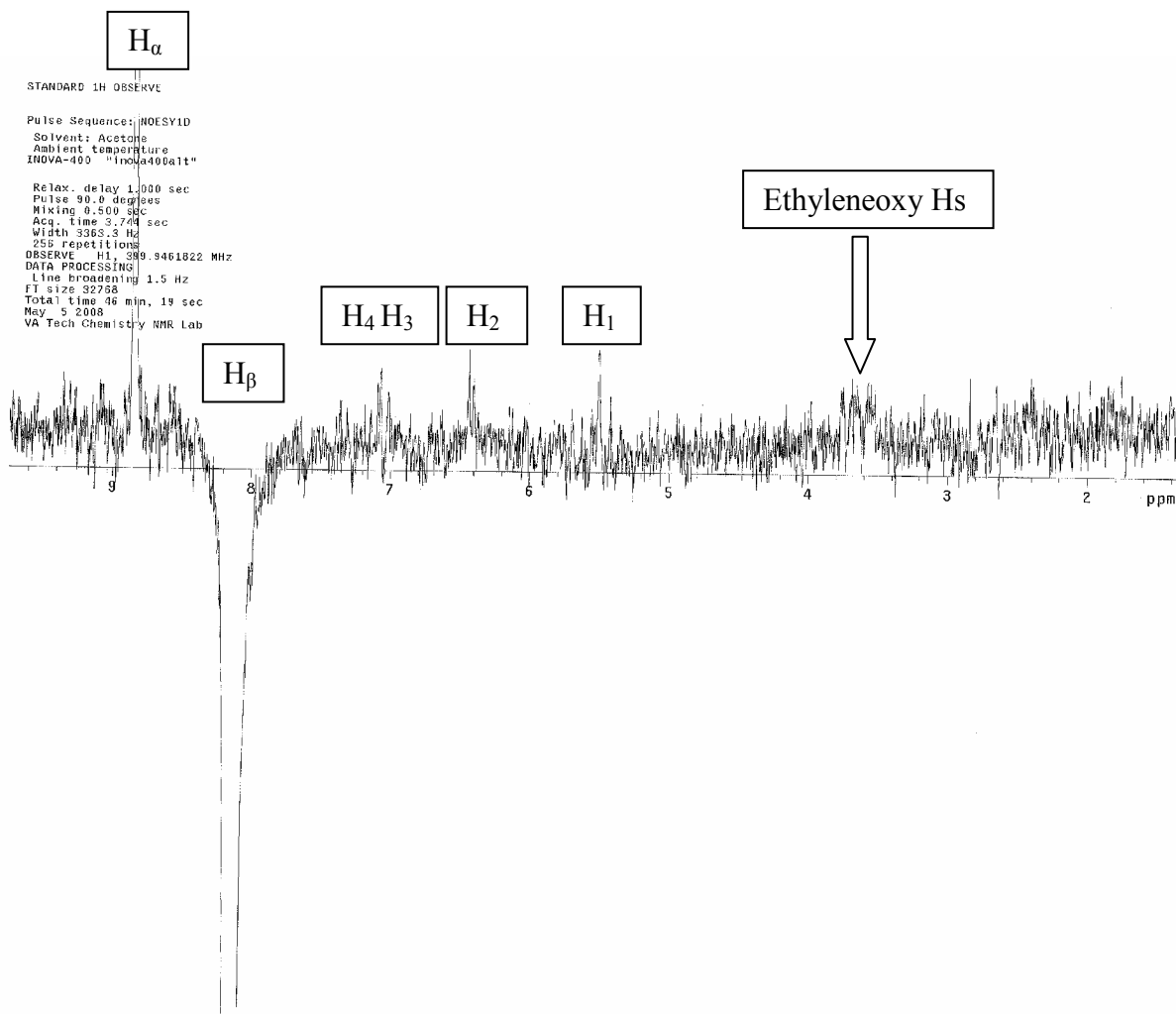
$^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of 1.0 mM **3** in acetone- $d_6$  at 23°C



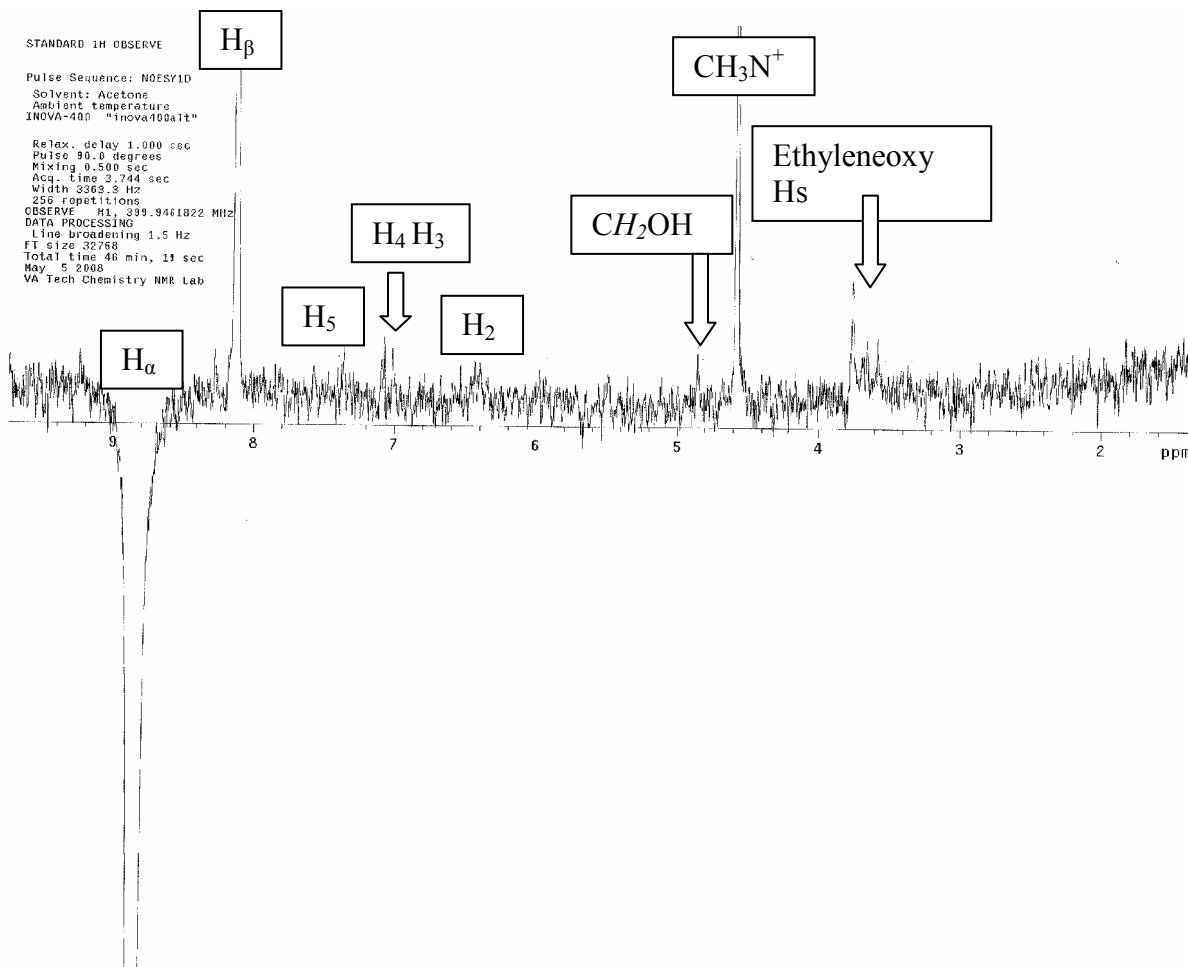
$^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of 1.0 mM **3** and 1.0 mM **PQ(PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub>** in acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub> at 23°C



1D NOESY Spectrum of 10.0 mM **3** and 10.0 mM **PQ(PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub>** in acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub> at 23°C. Irradiation occurred at H<sub>β</sub> (8.12 ppm) and the relaxation time was 1.0 sec with 256 scans. NOE signals can be seen between H<sub>β</sub> and H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>, and the ethyleneoxy hydrogens of **3**.

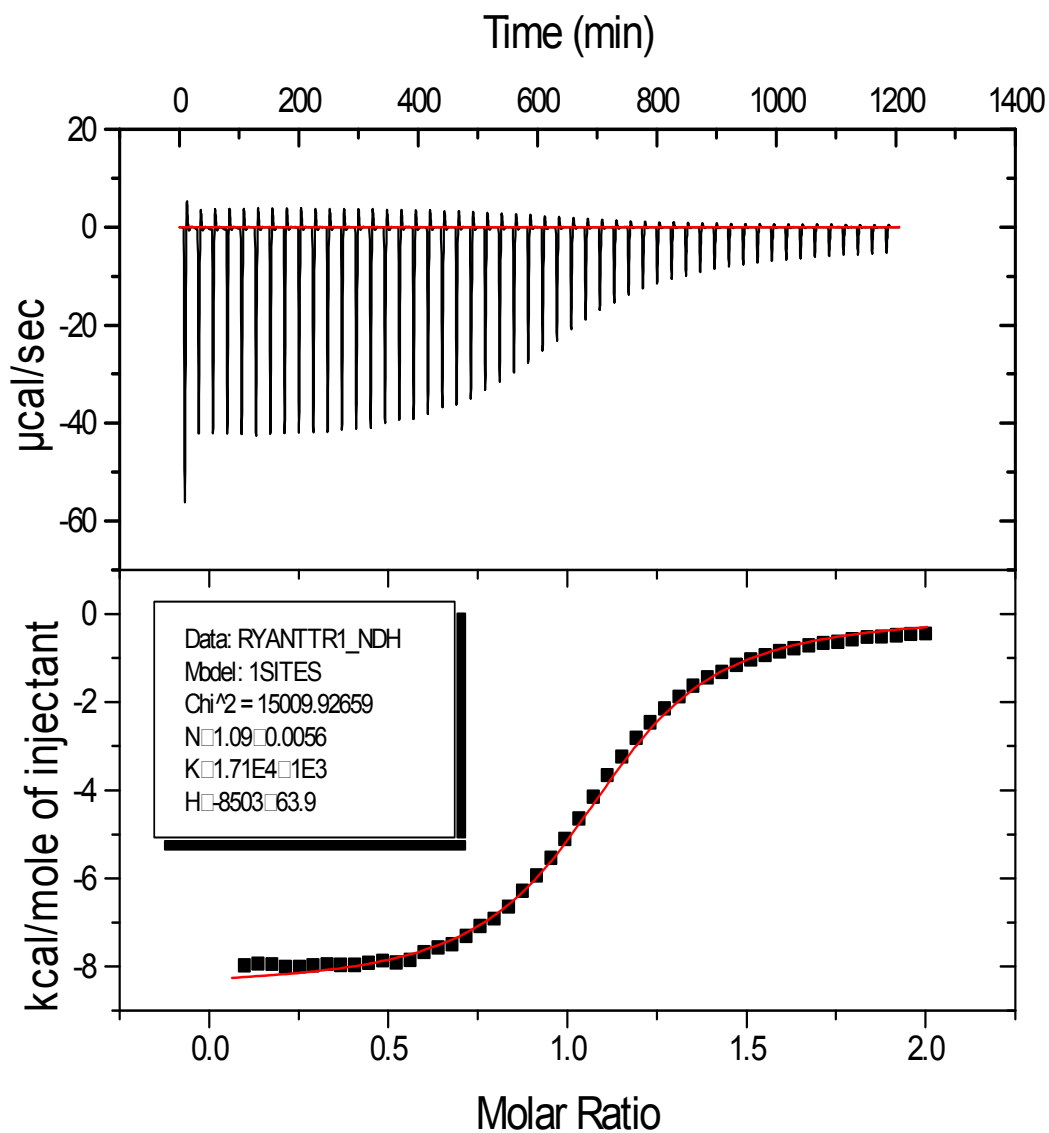


1D NOESY Spectrum of 10.0 mM **3** and 10.0 mM **PQ(PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub>** in acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub> at 23°C. Irradiation occurred at H<sub>α</sub> (8.84 ppm) and the relaxation time was 1.0 sec with 256 scans. NOE signals can be seen between H<sub>α</sub> and H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>, hydroxymethylene and the ethyleneoxy hydrogens of **3**.



### Isothermal titration calorimetry of 3·PQ(PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.

PQ(PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (50.0 mM) was titrated into **3** (1.97 mM) in acetone at 25°C in 30 aliquots of 3.3 µL each.



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