

# Electronic Supplementary Information for

## Novel hybrid benzoazacrown ligand as chelator for Lead and Copper cations: what the difference a pyridine makes

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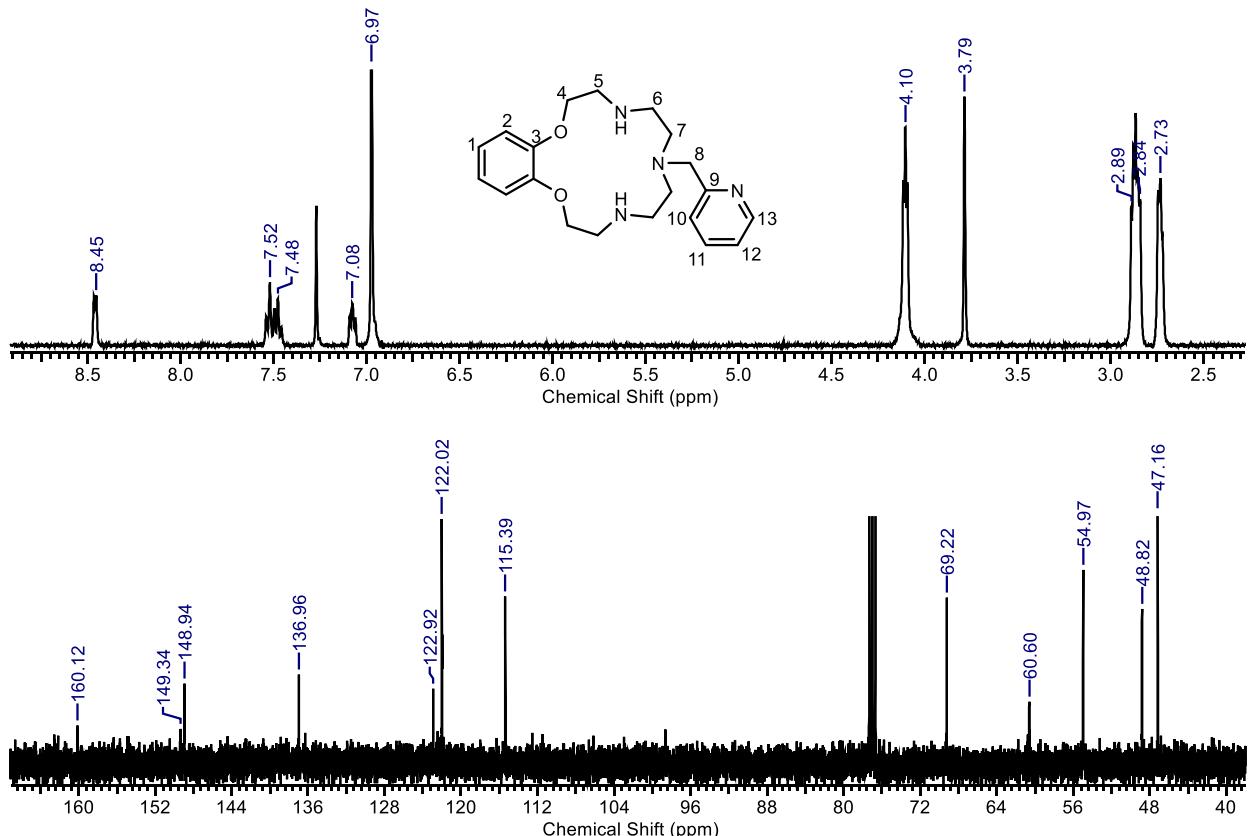


Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

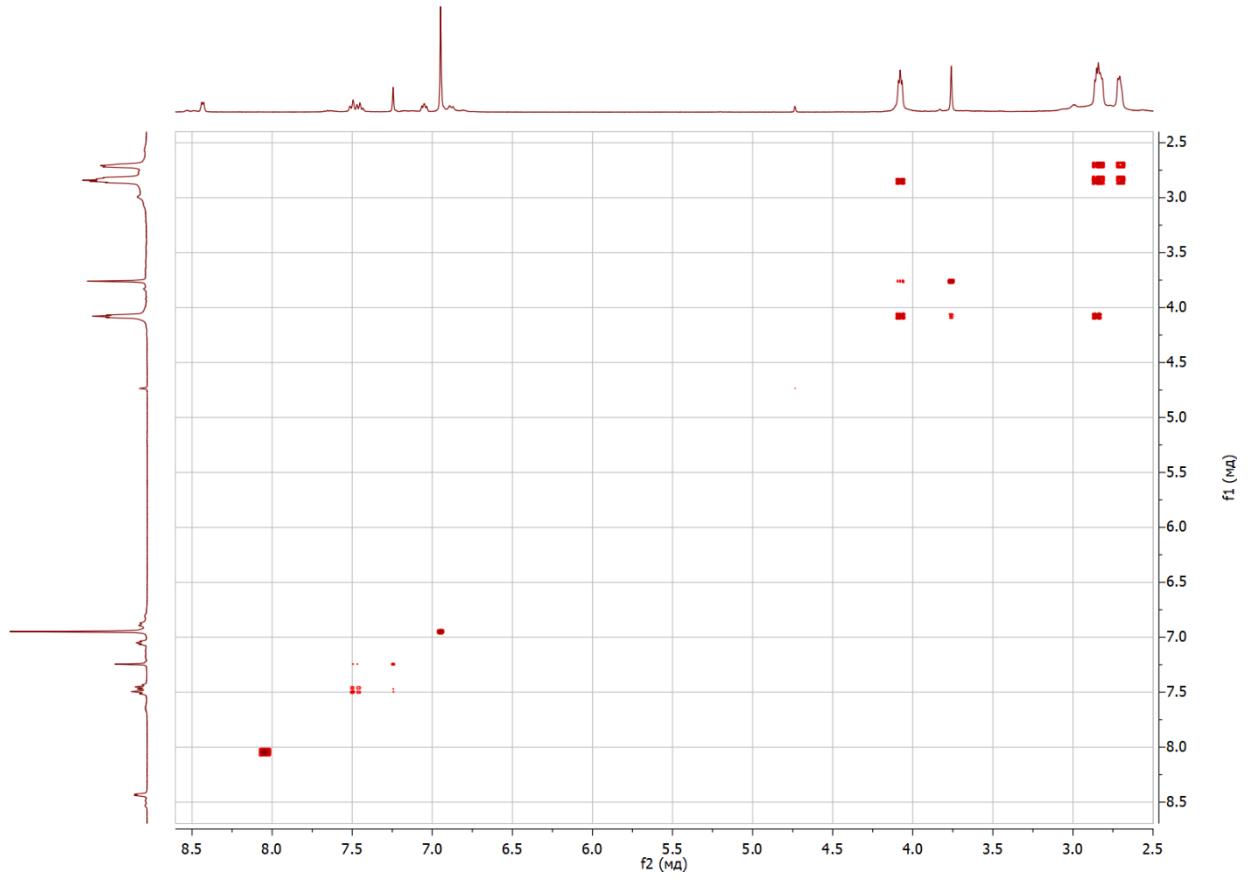


Figure S2. COSY spectrum of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

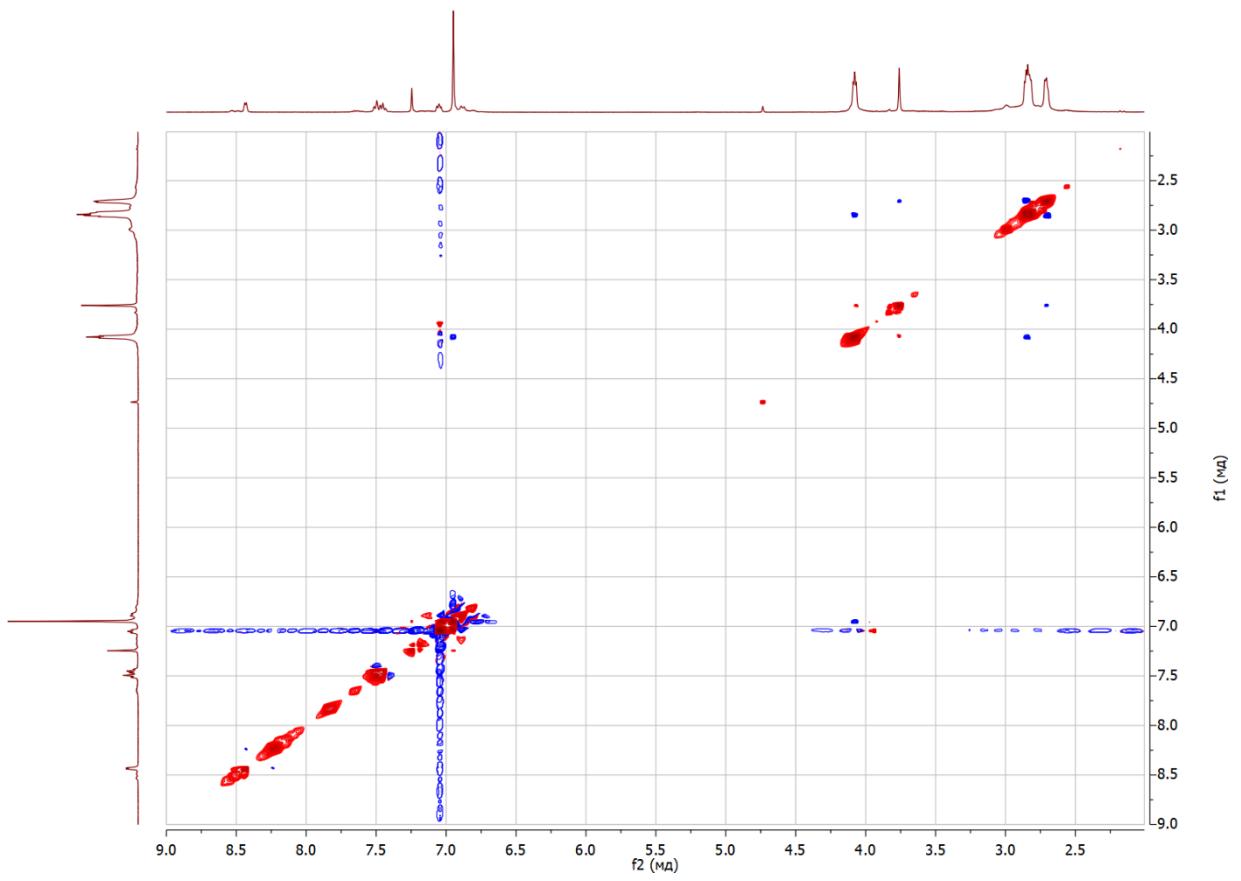


Figure S3. NOESY spectrum of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

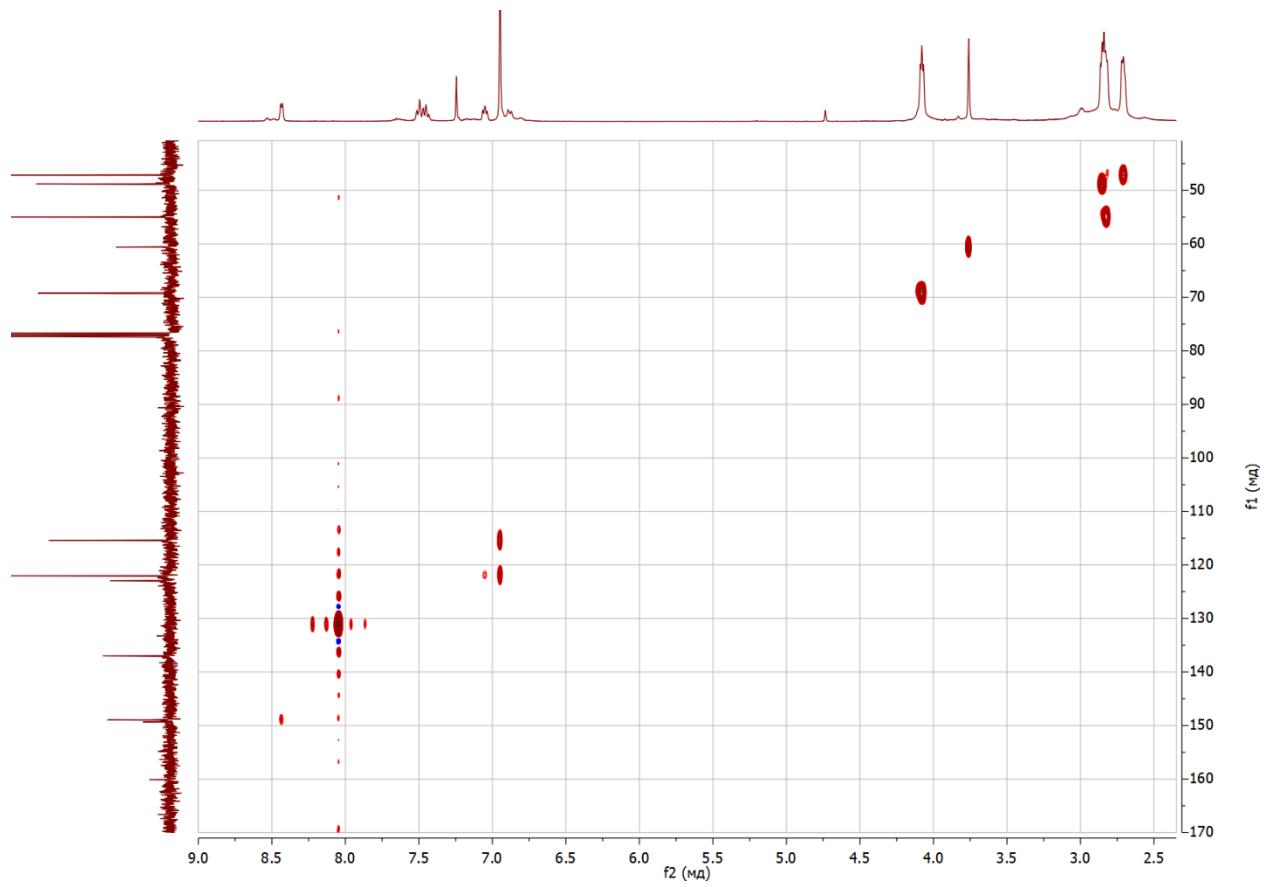


Figure S4. HSQC spectrum of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

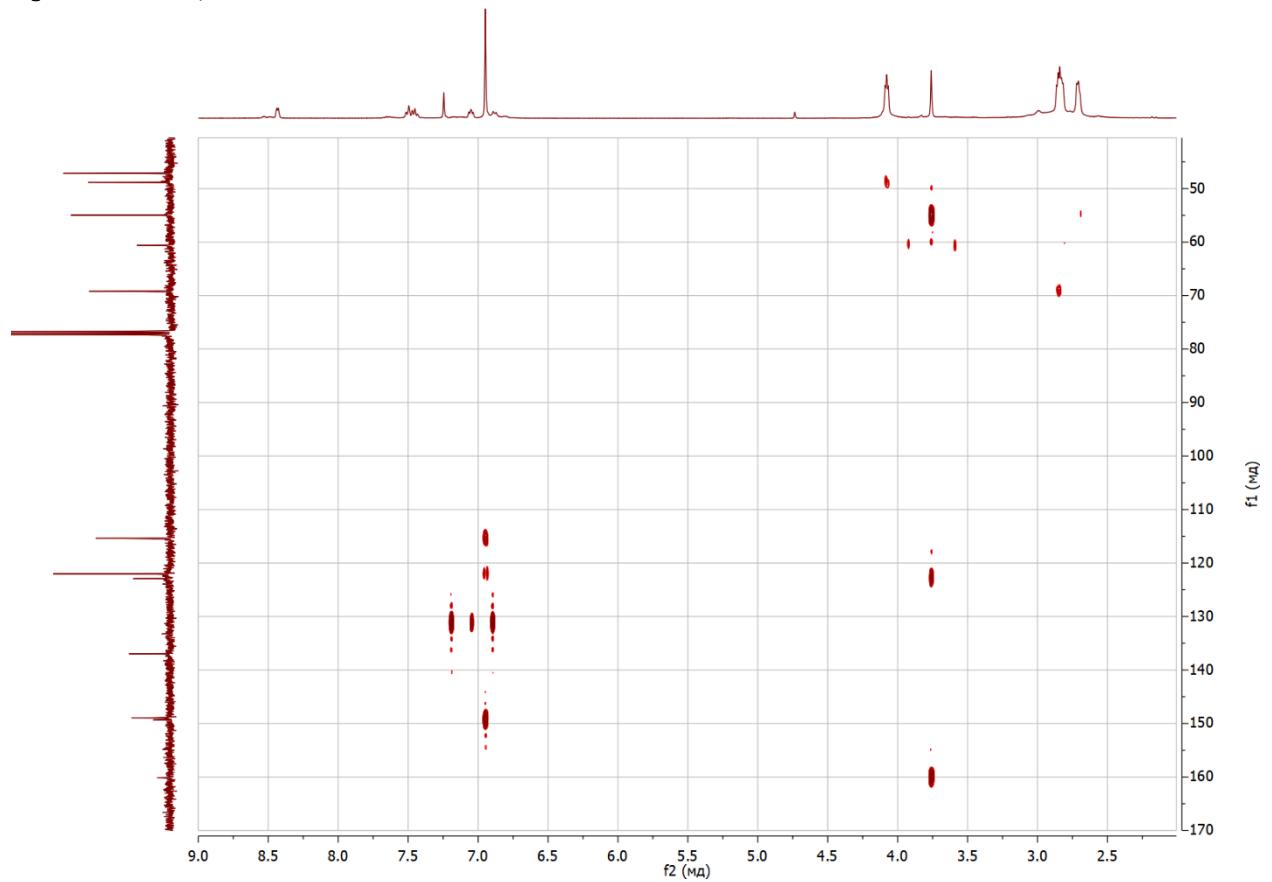
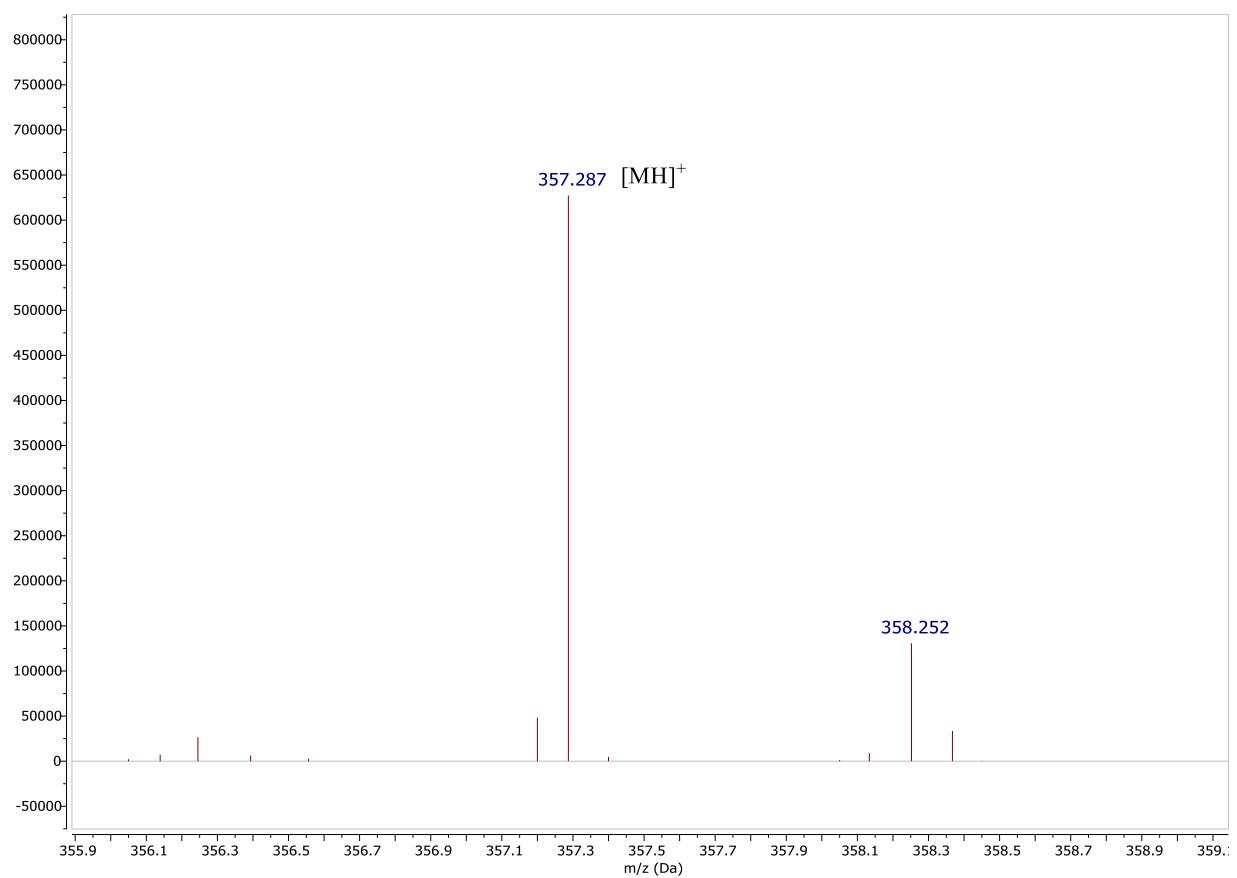
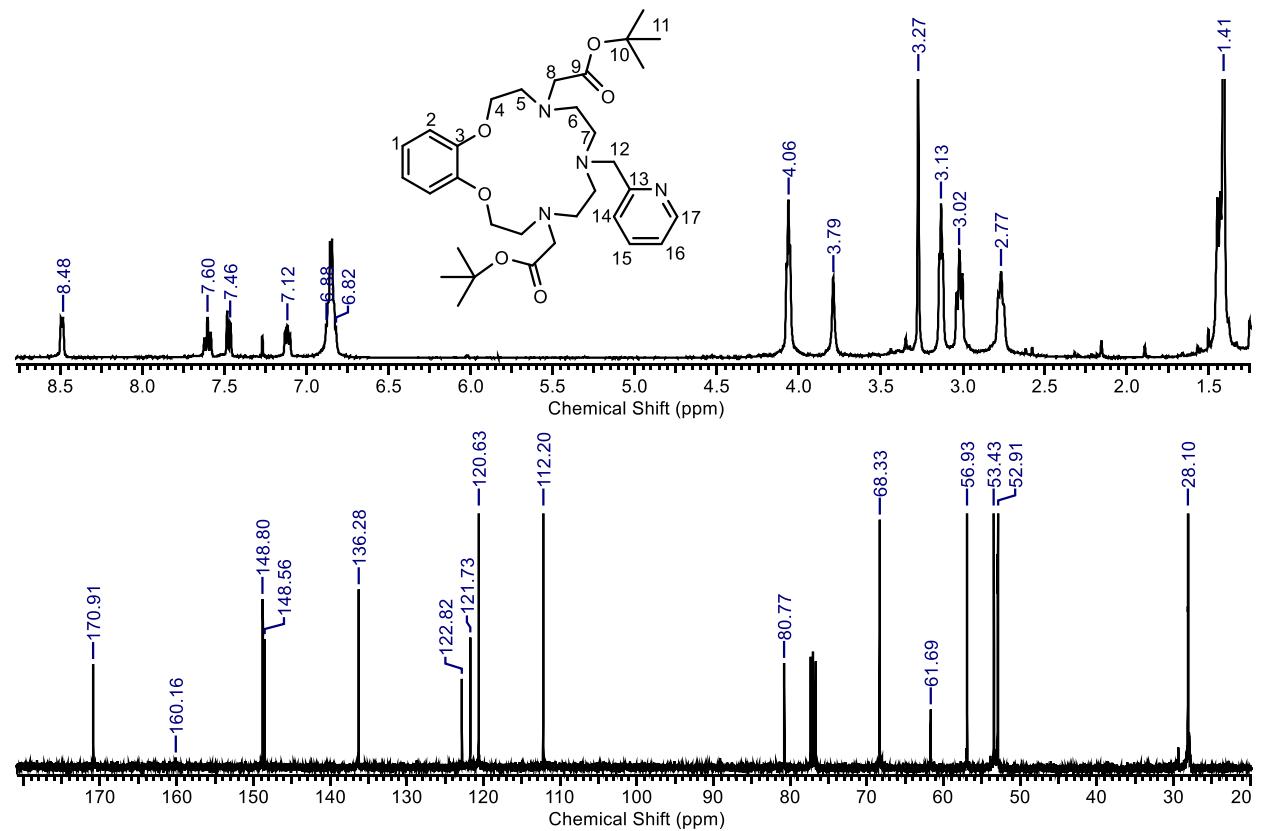


Figure S5. HMBC spectrum of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Figure S6.** MS (ESI) spectrum of **3**.



**Figure S7.**  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **4** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

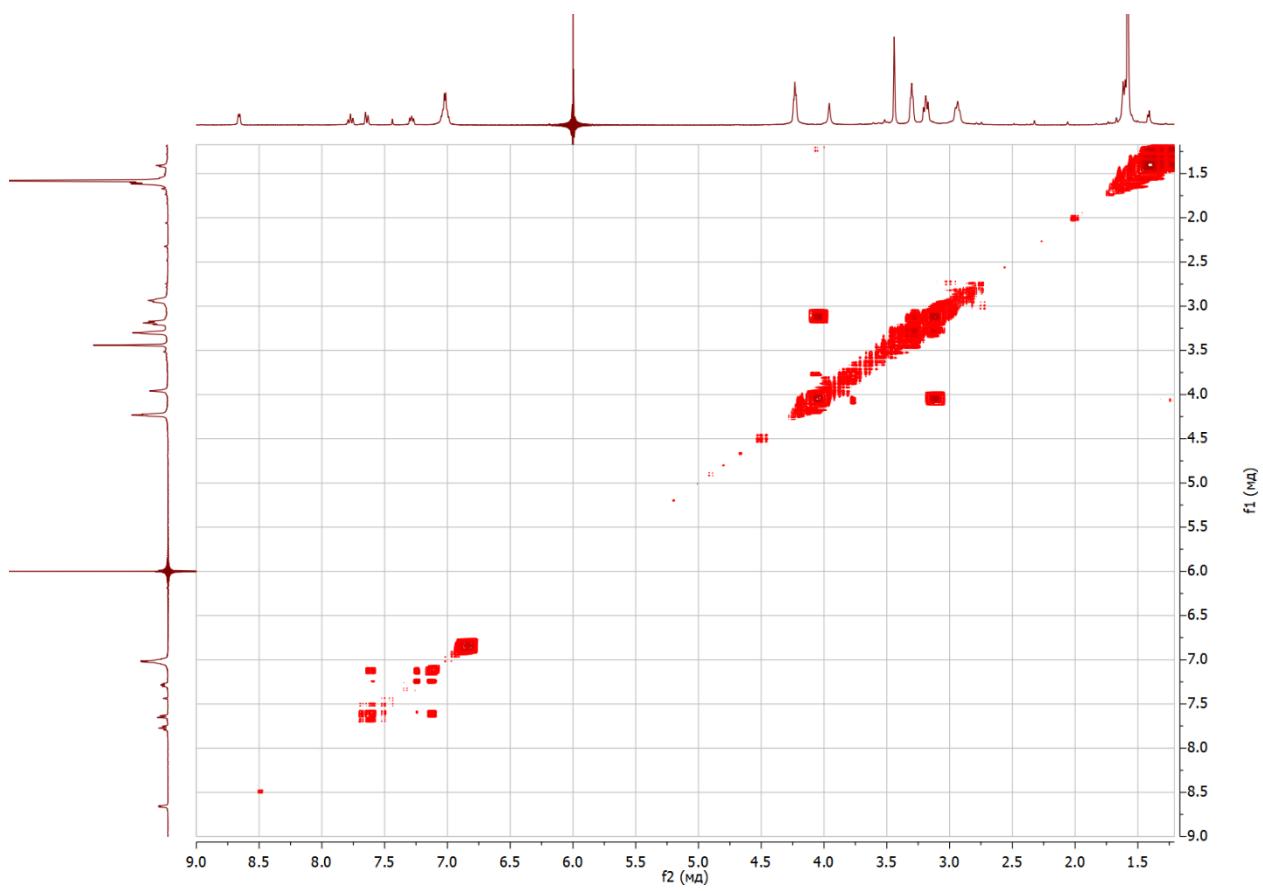


Figure S8. COSY spectrum of **4** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

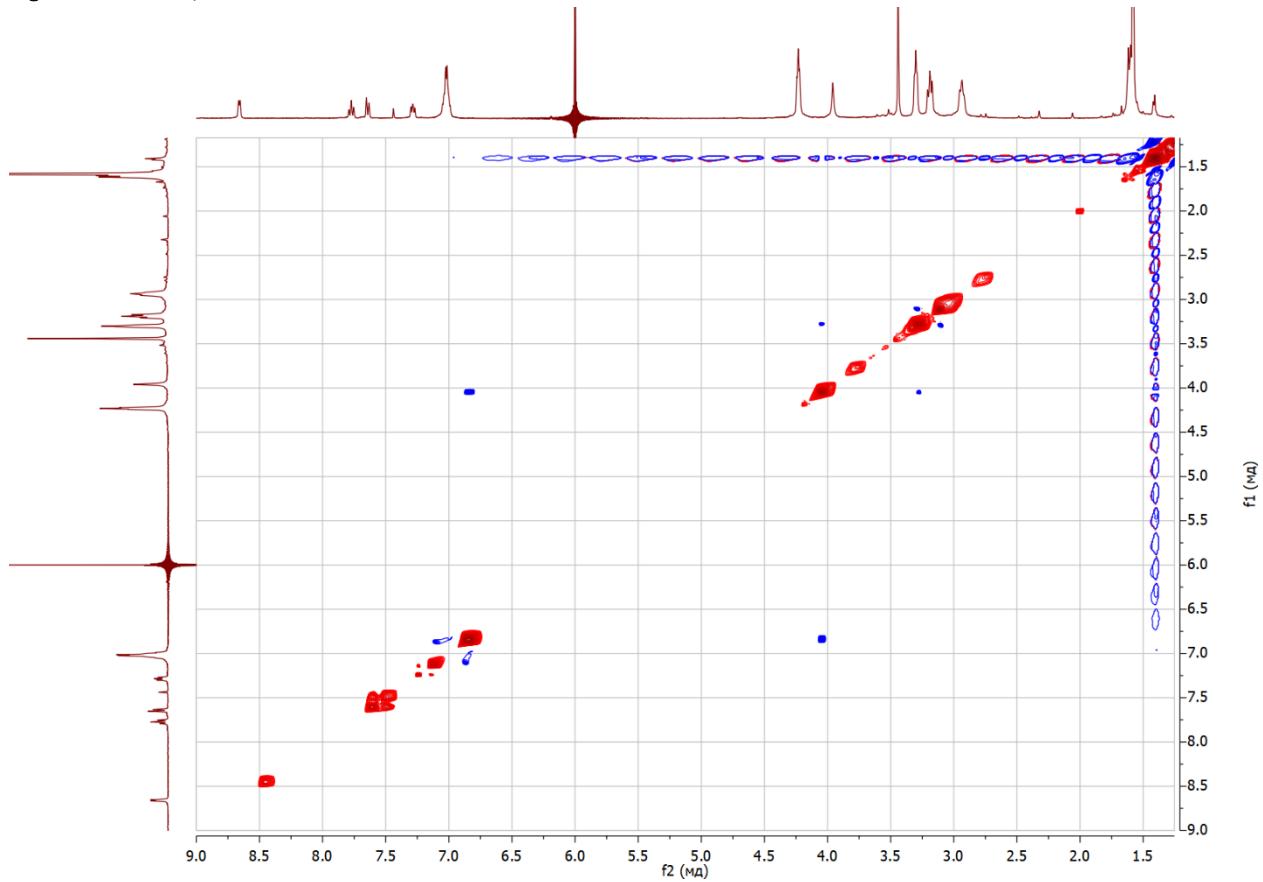


Figure S9. NOESY spectrum of **4** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

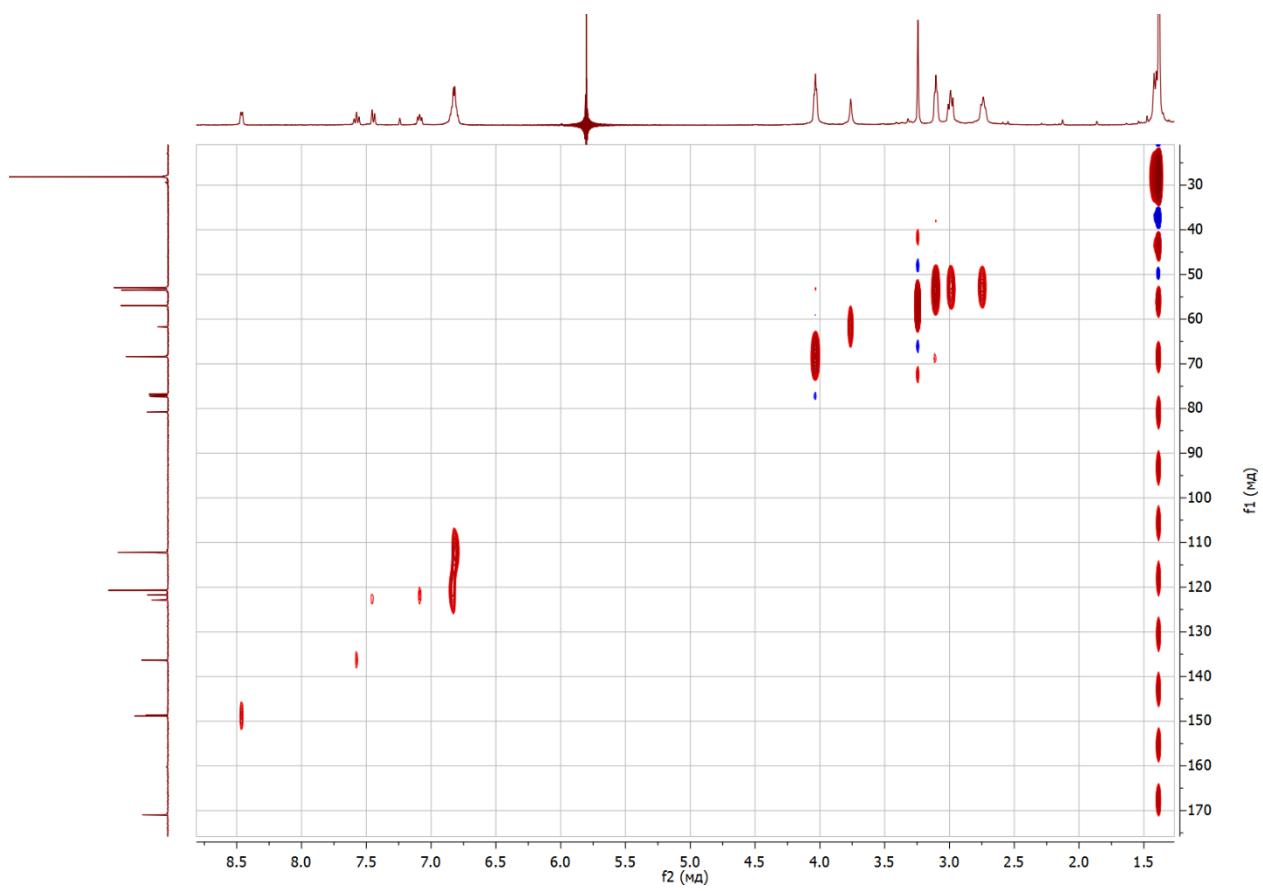


Figure S10. HSQC spectrum of **4** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

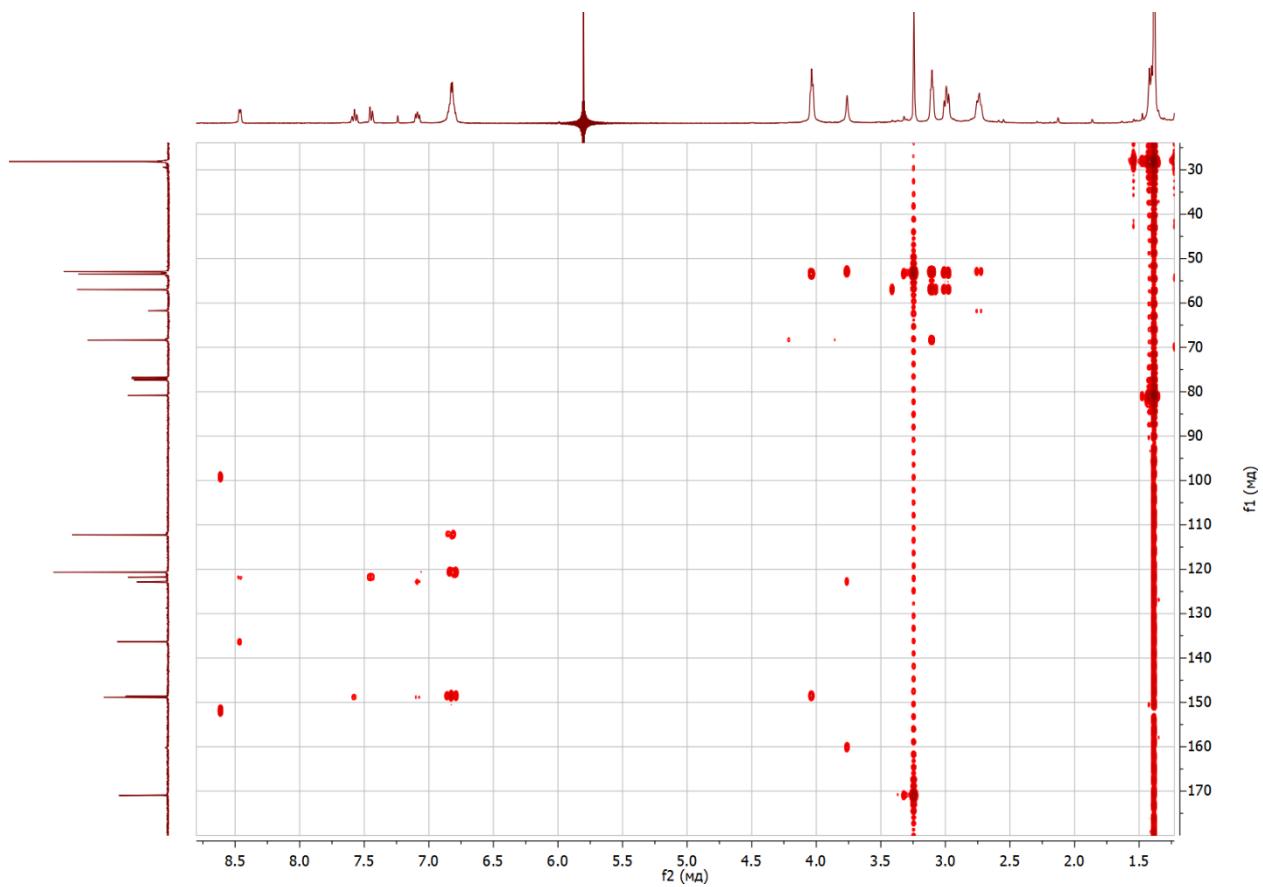


Figure S11. HMBC spectrum of **4** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

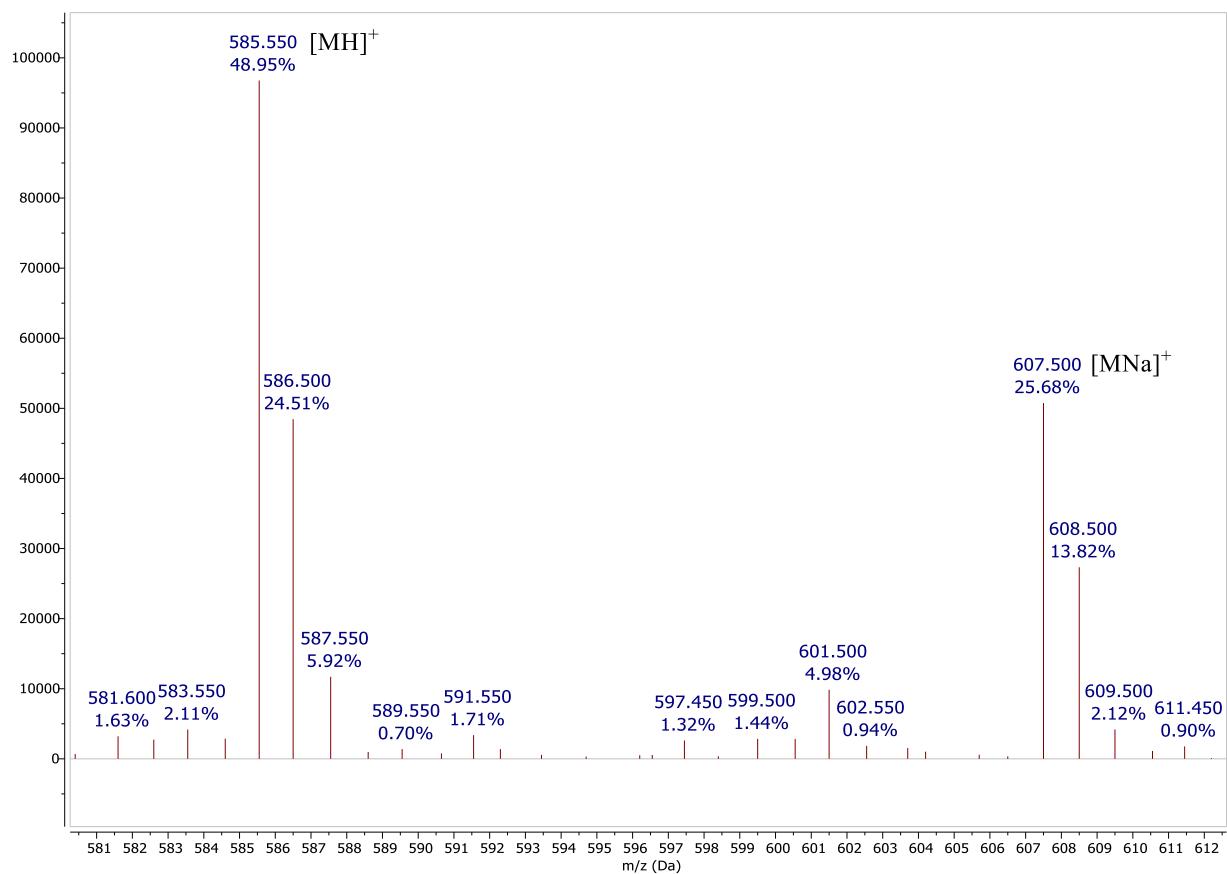


Figure S12. MS (ESI) spectrum of 4.

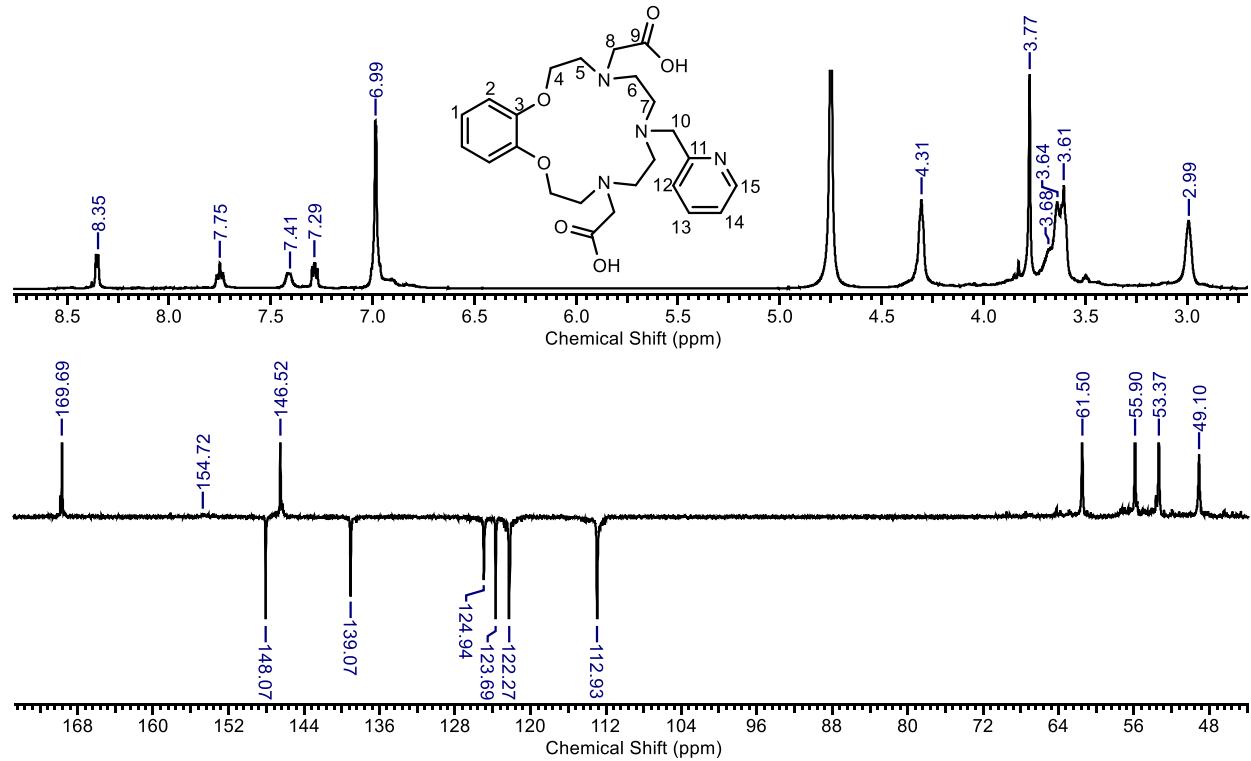
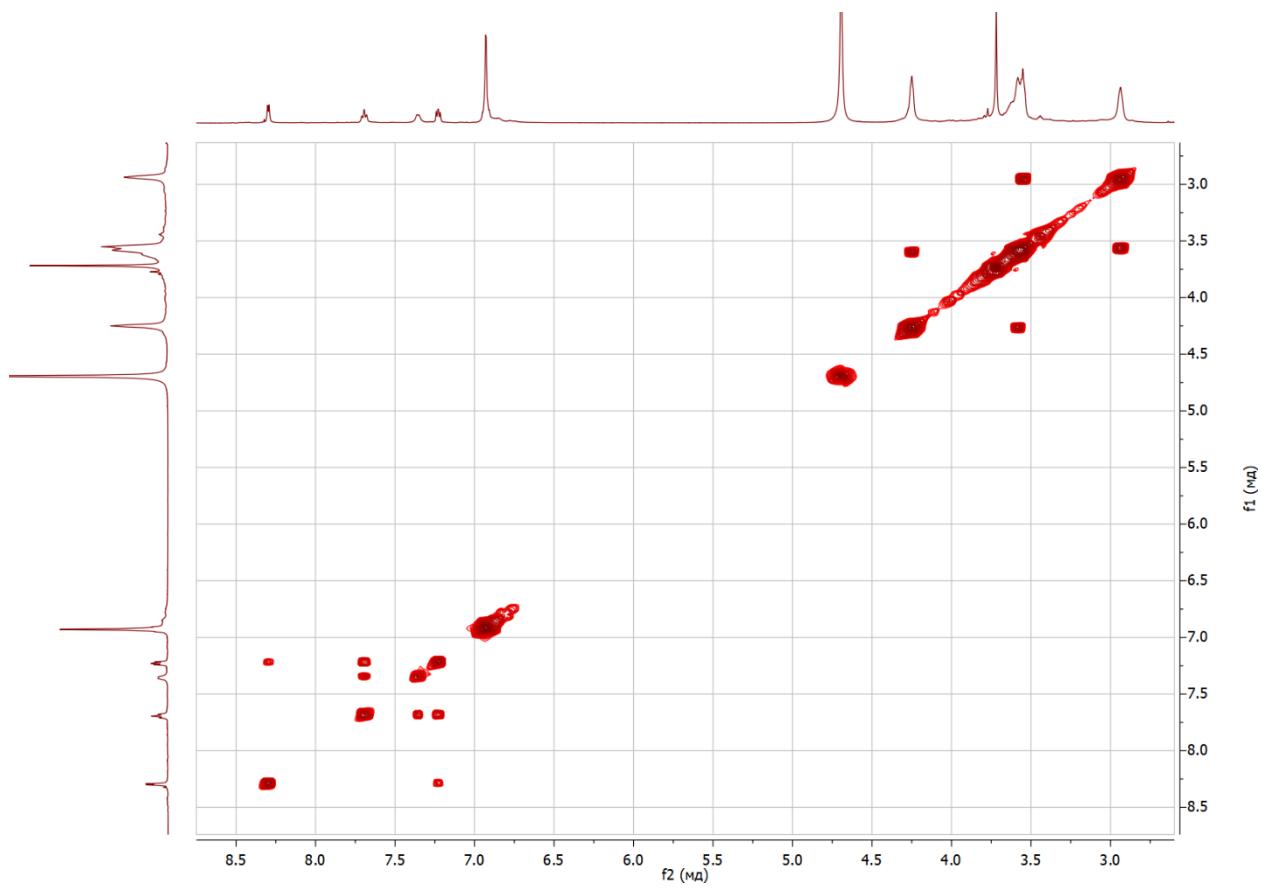
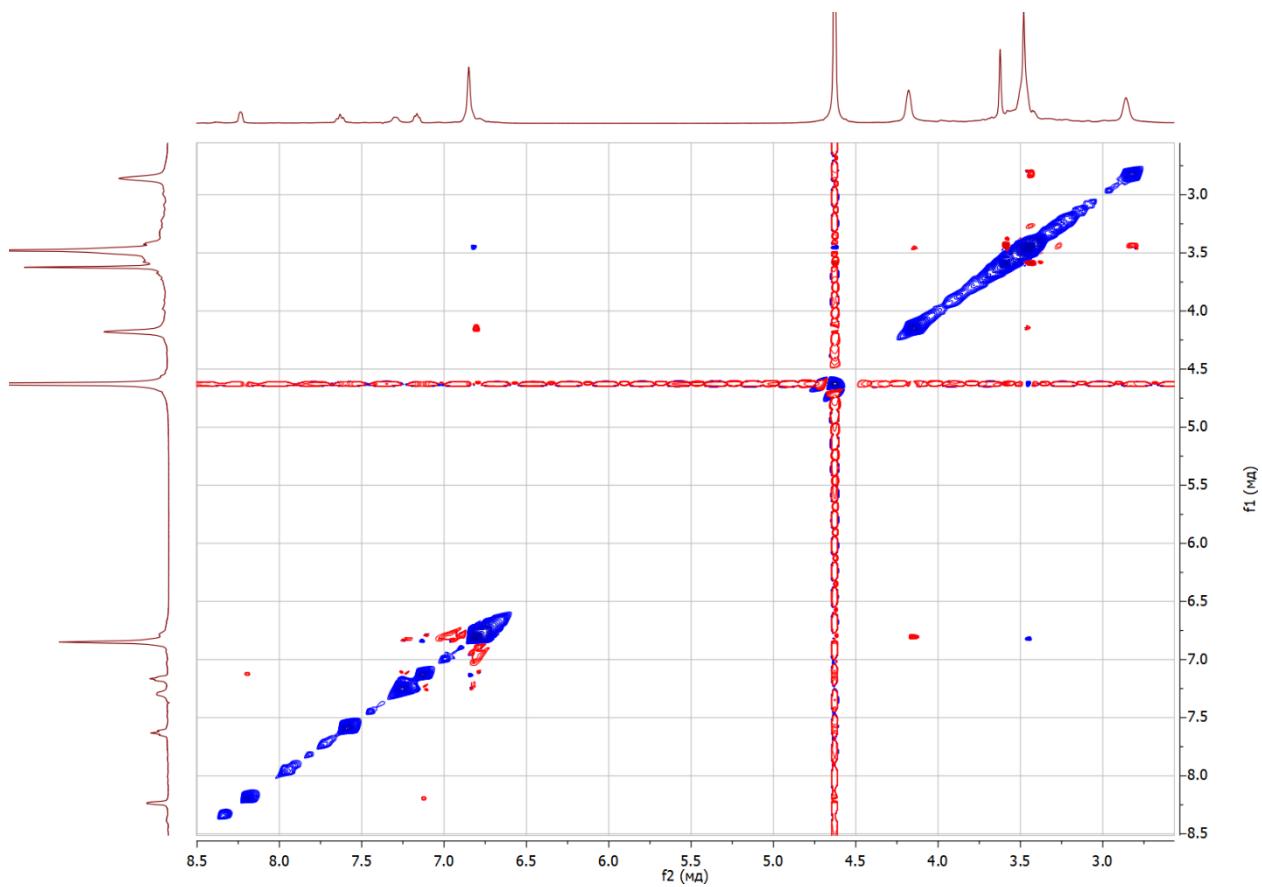


Figure S13.  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  ( $\text{pD} = 5.7$ ).



**Figure S14.** COSY spectrum of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA}_2\text{A}_1\text{Py}$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  ( $\text{pD} = 5.7$ ).



**Figure S15.** NOESY spectrum of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA}_2\text{A}_1\text{Py}$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  ( $\text{pD} = 5.7$ ).

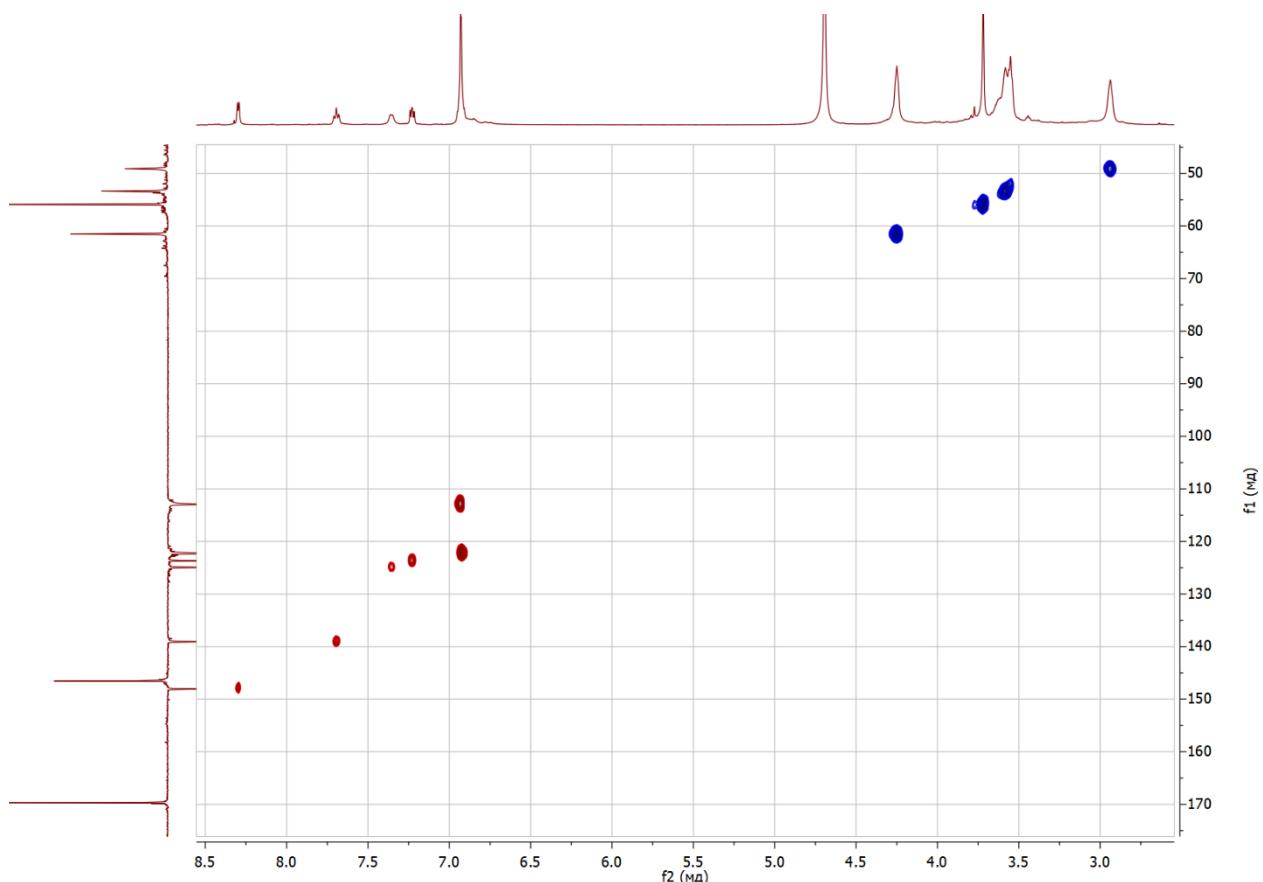


Figure S16. HSQC spectrum of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  ( $\text{pD} = 5.7$ ).

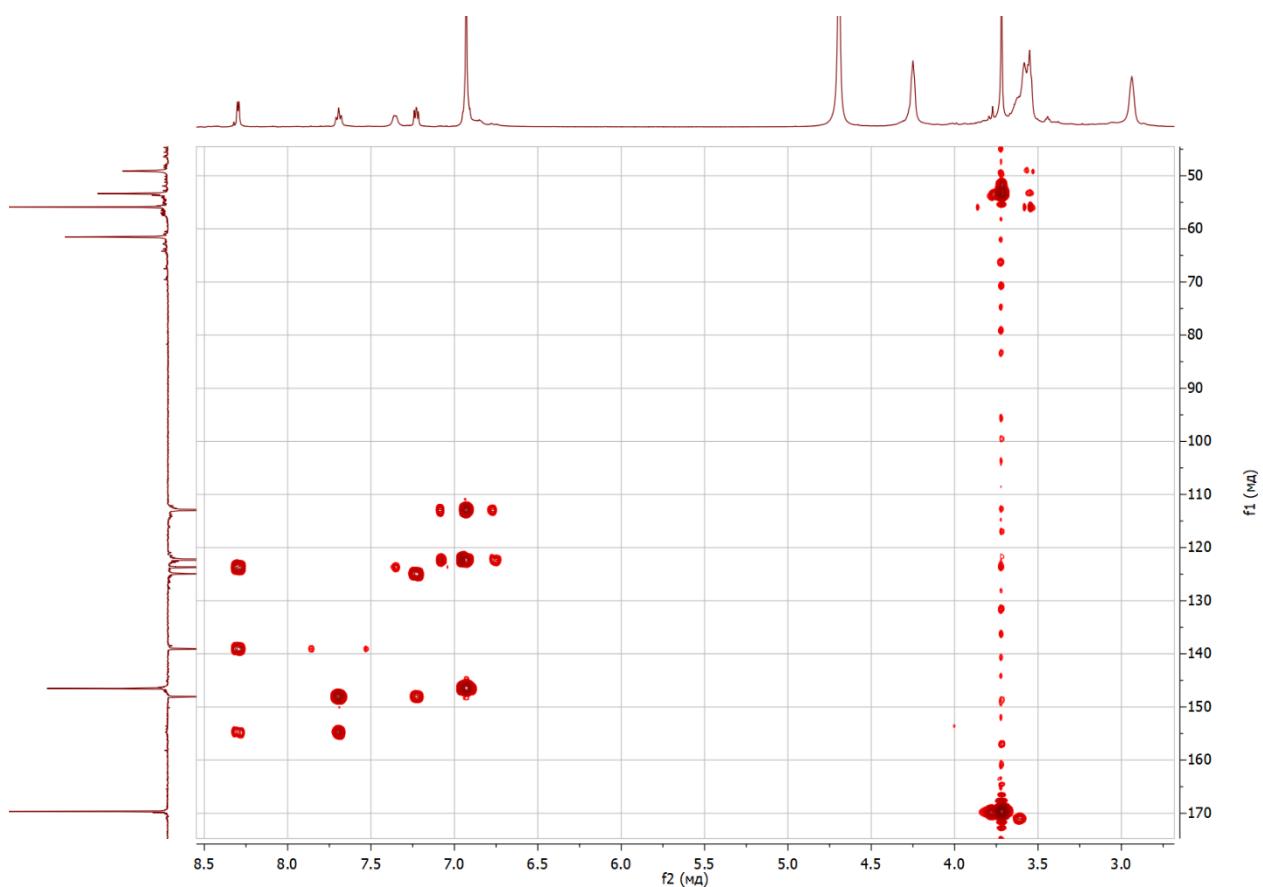
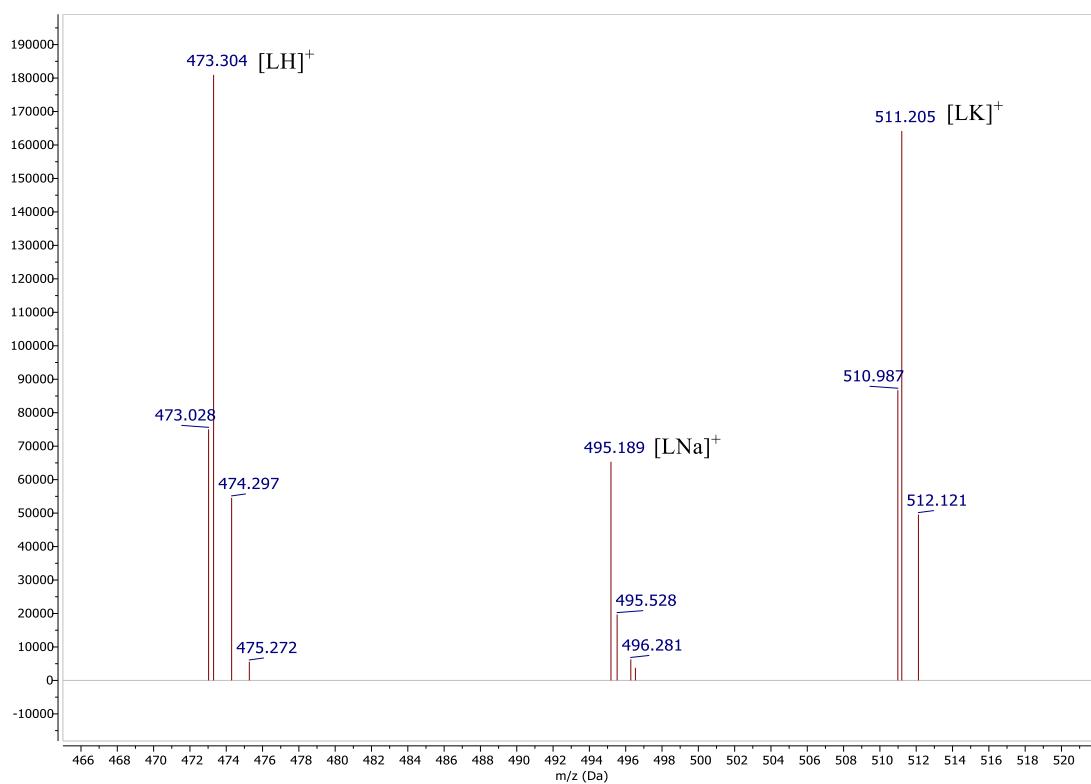
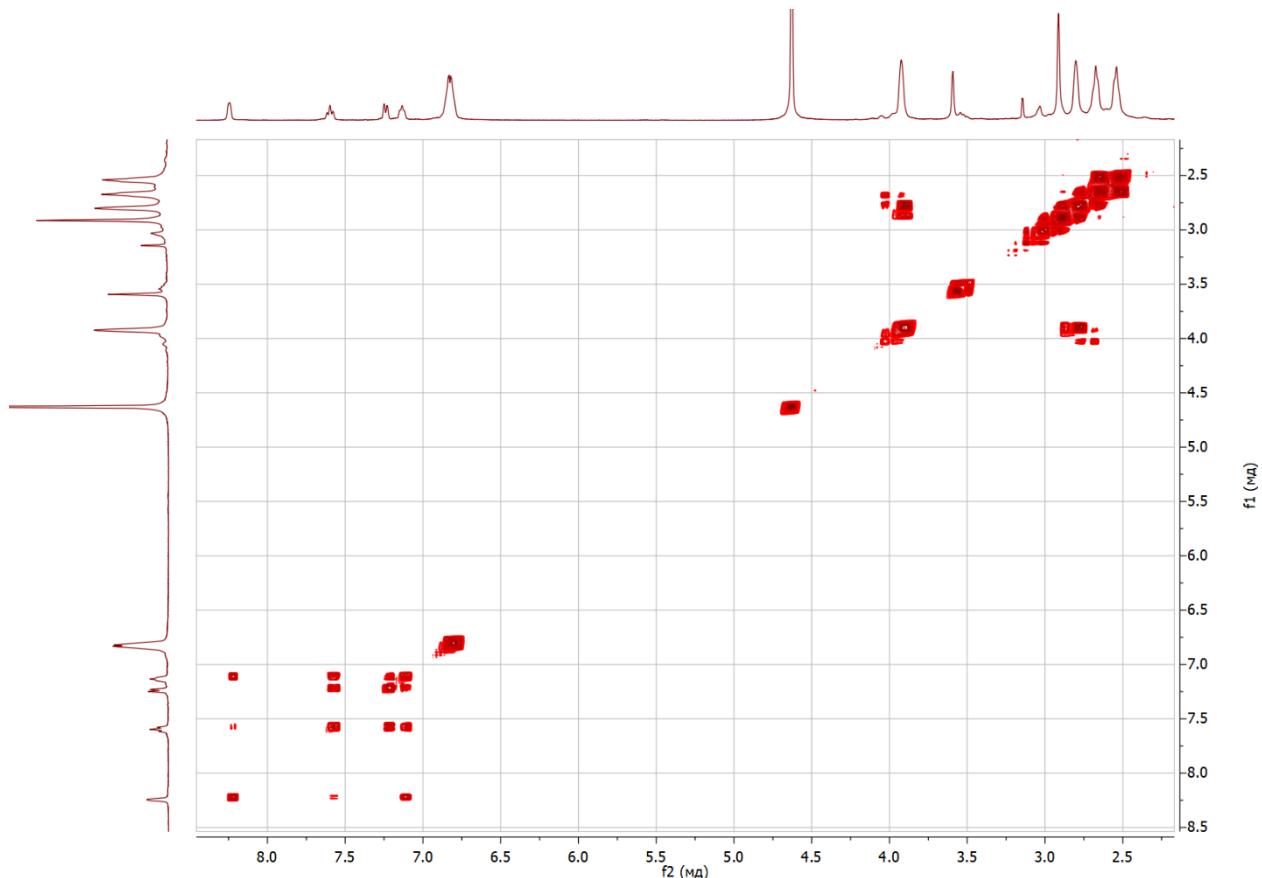


Figure S17. HMBC spectrum of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  ( $\text{pD} = 5.7$ ).



**Figure S18.** MS (ESI) spectrum of  $H_2BA2A1Py$ .



**Figure S19.** COSY spectrum of  $BA2A1Py^{2-}$  in  $D_2O$  ( $pD = 11.2$ ).

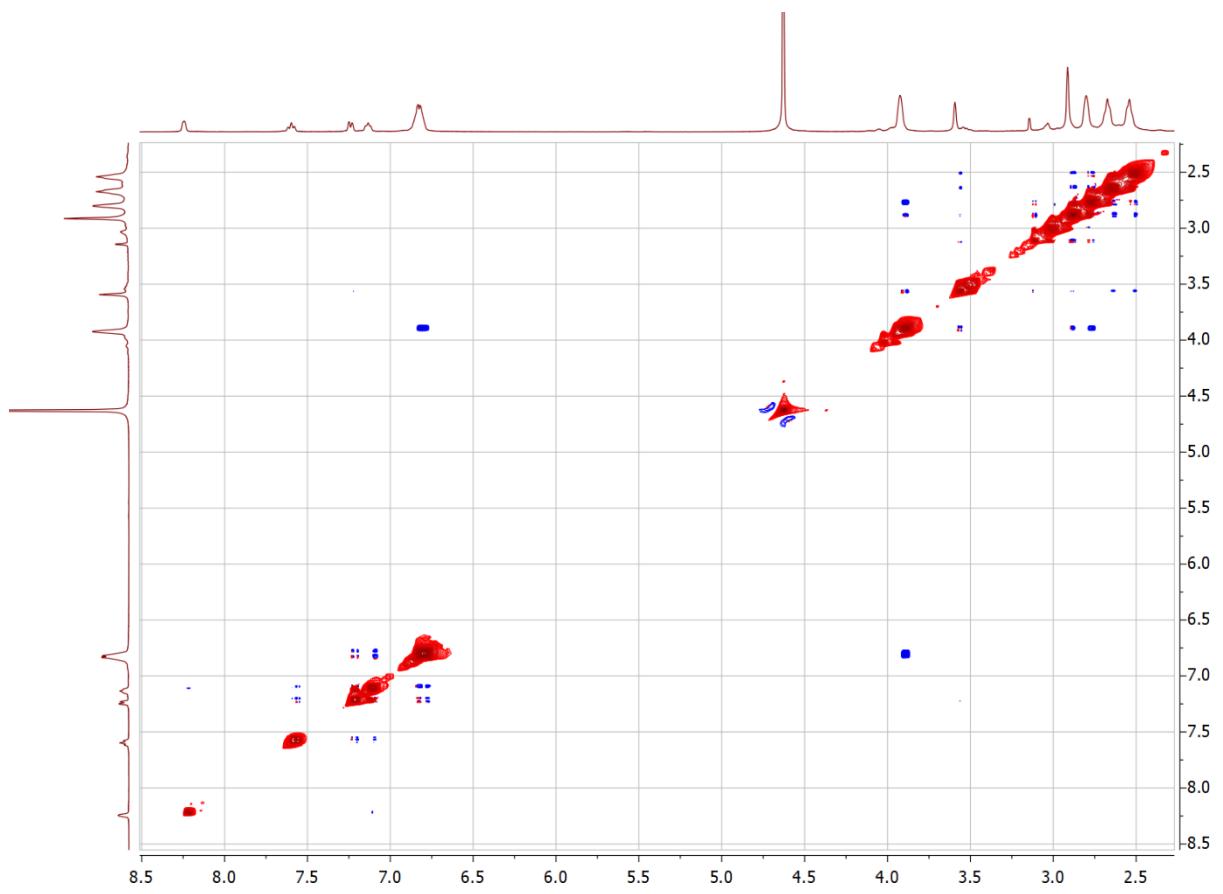


Figure S20. NOESY spectrum of BA2A1Py<sup>2-</sup> in D<sub>2</sub>O (pD = 11.2).

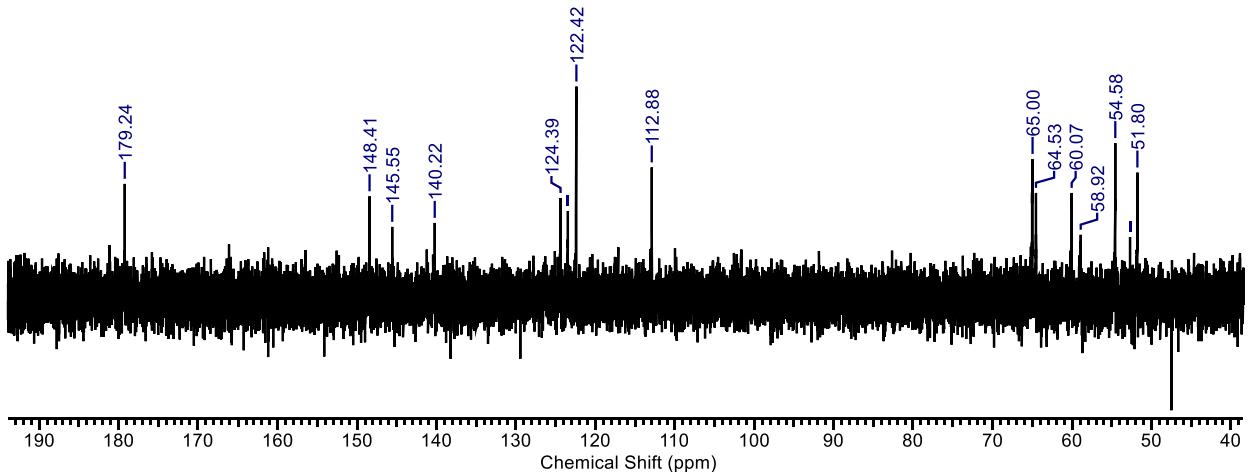
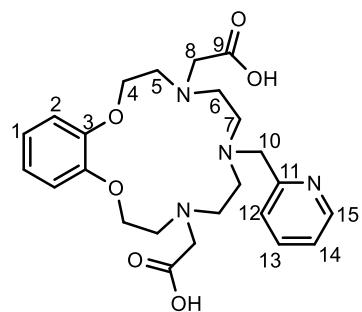
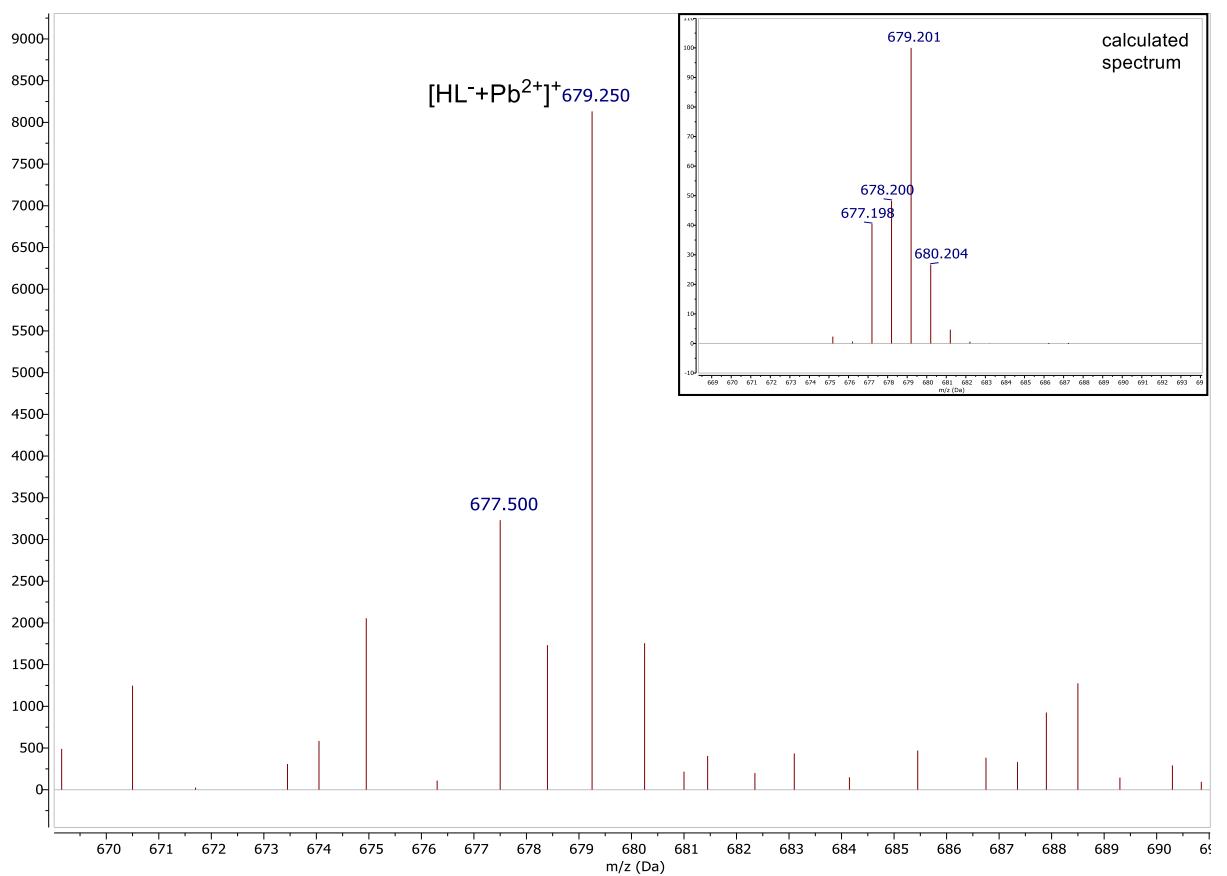


Figure S21. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of H<sub>2</sub>BA2A1Py in the presence of Pb<sup>2+</sup> (C(L) = 10 mM, pD=6.3) in D<sub>2</sub>O.

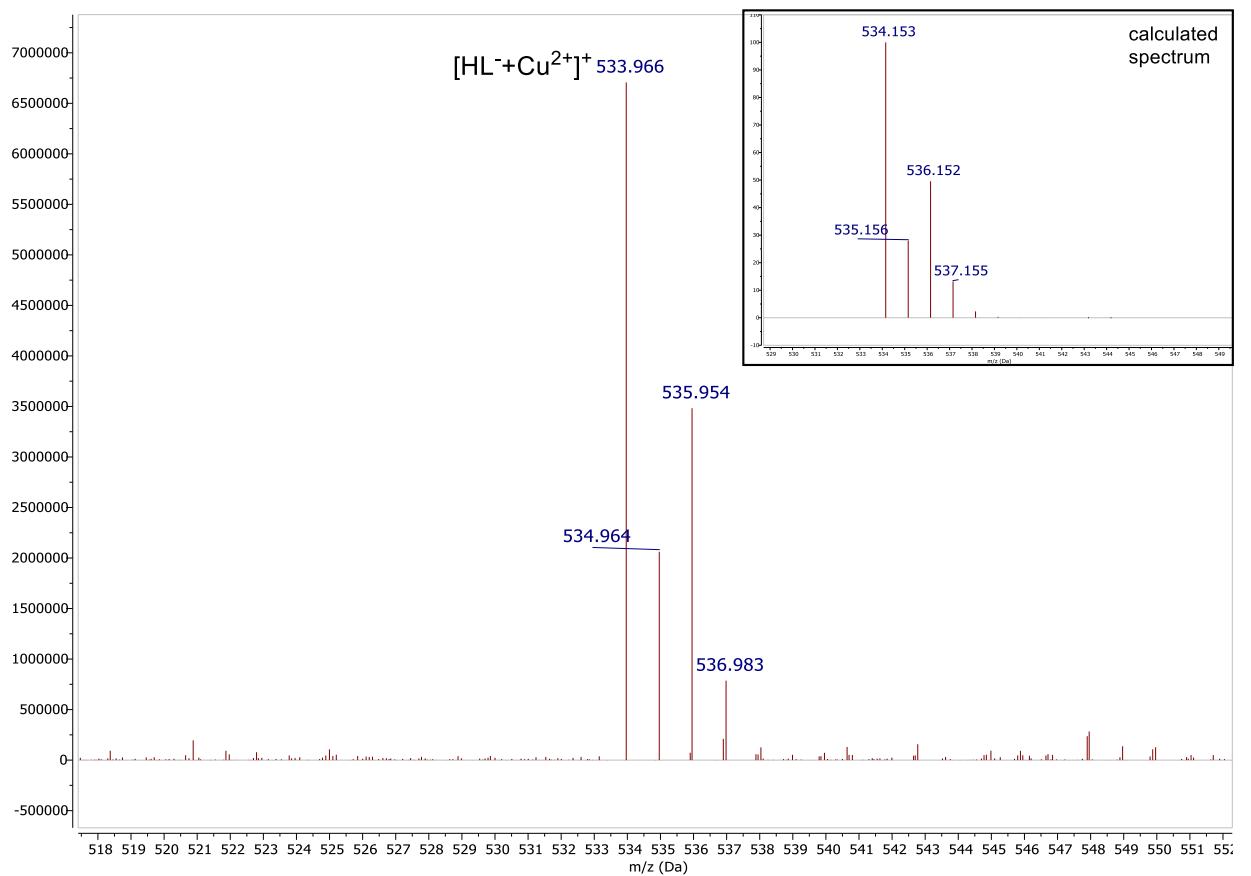
**Table S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts ( $\Delta\delta$ , ppm) of **H<sub>2</sub>BA2A1Py** recorded in D<sub>2</sub>O solution in the absence and presence of Pb<sup>2+</sup>.



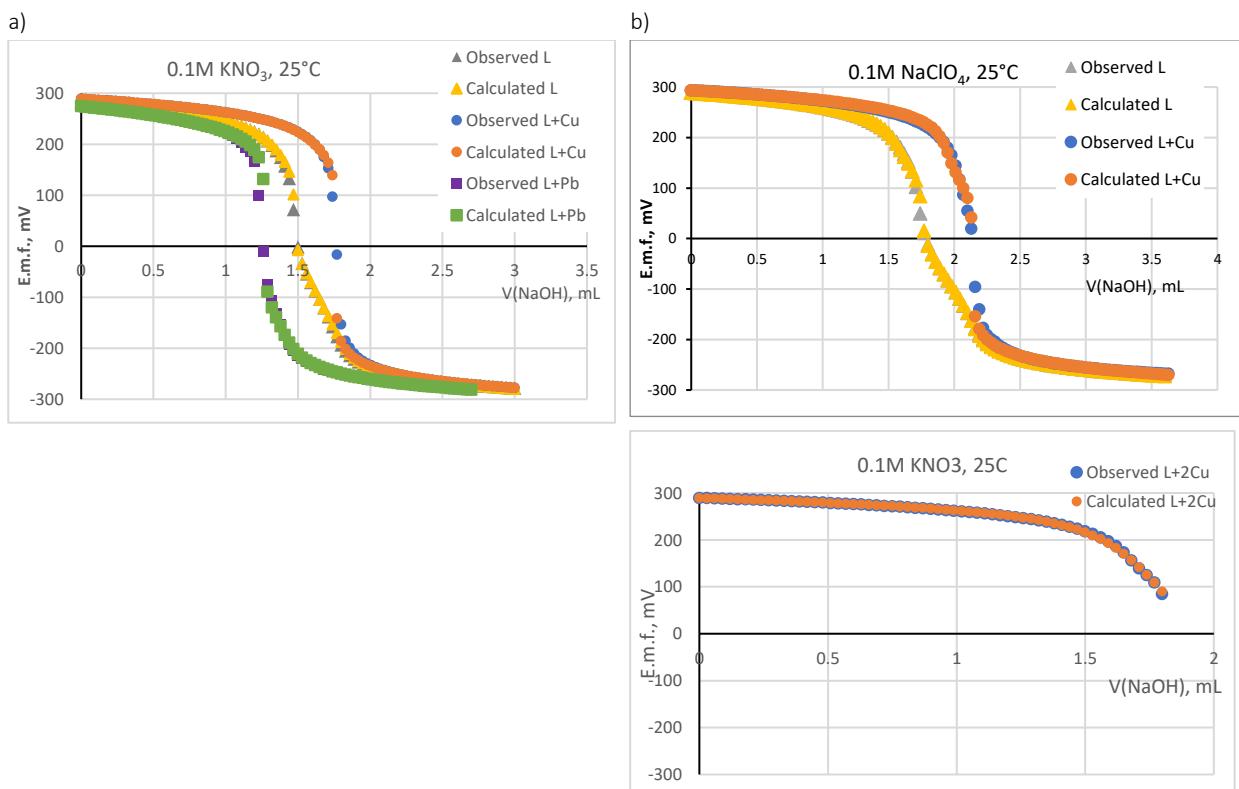
	<b>BA2A1Py<sup>2-</sup></b> (pD = 11.2)	<b>HBA2A1Py<sup>-</sup></b> (pD = 8.5)	<b>H<sub>2</sub>BA2A1Py</b> (pD = 5.7)	<b>H<sub>3</sub>BA2A1Py<sup>+</sup></b> (pD = 2.6)	<b>Pb·BA2A1Py</b> (pD = 6.3)	<b>Pb·BA2A1PyOH<sup>-</sup></b> (pD = 10.5)	<b>Pb·HBA2A1Py<sup>+</sup></b> (pD = 2.4)
H <sub>1</sub>	6.93	6.97 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.04)	6.99 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.06)	7.05 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.12)	7.06 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.13)	7.06 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.13)	7.06 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.13)
H <sub>2</sub>							
H <sub>4a</sub>	4.03	4.18 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.15)	4.31 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.28)	4.40 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.37)	4.31 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.28)	4.31 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.28)	4.32 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.29)
H <sub>4e</sub>					4.03 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0)	4.02 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.01)	4.06 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.03)
H <sub>5a</sub>	2.91	3.26 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.35)	3.64 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.73)	3.70 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.79)	2.73 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.18)	2.71 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.20)	2.80 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.11)
H <sub>5e</sub>					3.23 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.32)	3.20 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.29)	3.22 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.31)
H <sub>6a</sub>	2.78	3.26 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.48)	3.61 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.83)	3.68 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.90)	3.11 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.33)	3.10 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.32)	3.13 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.35)
H <sub>6e</sub>					2.70 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.08)	2.71 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.07)	2.77 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.01)
H <sub>7a</sub>	2.64	3.03 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.39)	2.99 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.35)	3.09 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.45)	3.05 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.41)	3.04 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.40)	3.09 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.45)
H <sub>7e</sub>					2.54 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.10)	2.54 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.10)	2.63 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.01)
H <sub>8x</sub>	3.02	3.36 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.34)	3.77 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.75)	3.83 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.81)	3.70 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.68)	3.69 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.67)	3.74 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.72)
H <sub>8y</sub>					2.27 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.75)	2.25 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.77)	2.44 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.58)
H <sub>10</sub>	3.70	3.92 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.22)	3.68 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.02)	4.12 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.42)	4.57 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.87)	4.56 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.86)	4.60 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.90)
H <sub>12</sub>	7.34	7.41 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.07)	7.41 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.07)	8.05 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.71)	7.53 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.19)	7.53 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.19)	7.56 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.22)
H <sub>13</sub>	7.71	7.70 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.01)	7.75 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.04)	8.44 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.73)	7.97 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.26)	7.97 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.26)	8.00 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.29)
H <sub>14</sub>	7.24	7.28 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.04)	7.29 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.05)	7.90 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.66)	7.47 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.23)	7.47 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.23)	7.51 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.27)
H <sub>15</sub>	8.35	8.36 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.01)	8.35 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0)	8.62 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.27)	8.38 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.03)	8.33 ( $\Delta\delta$ = -0.02)	8.41 ( $\Delta\delta$ = 0.06)



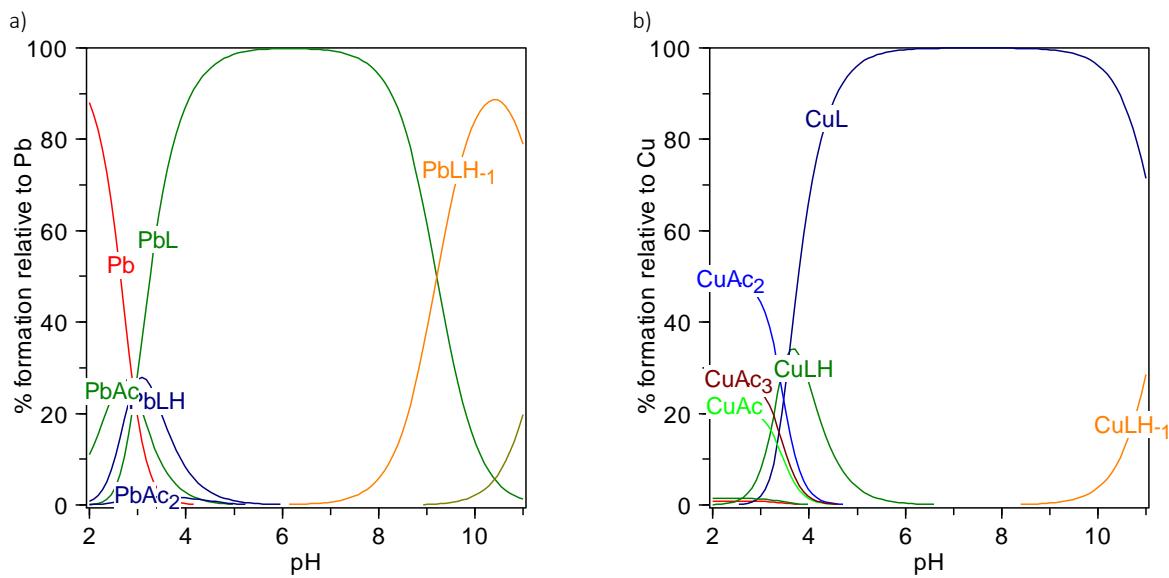
**Figure S22.** MS (ESI) spectrum of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  in the presence of  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  in water.



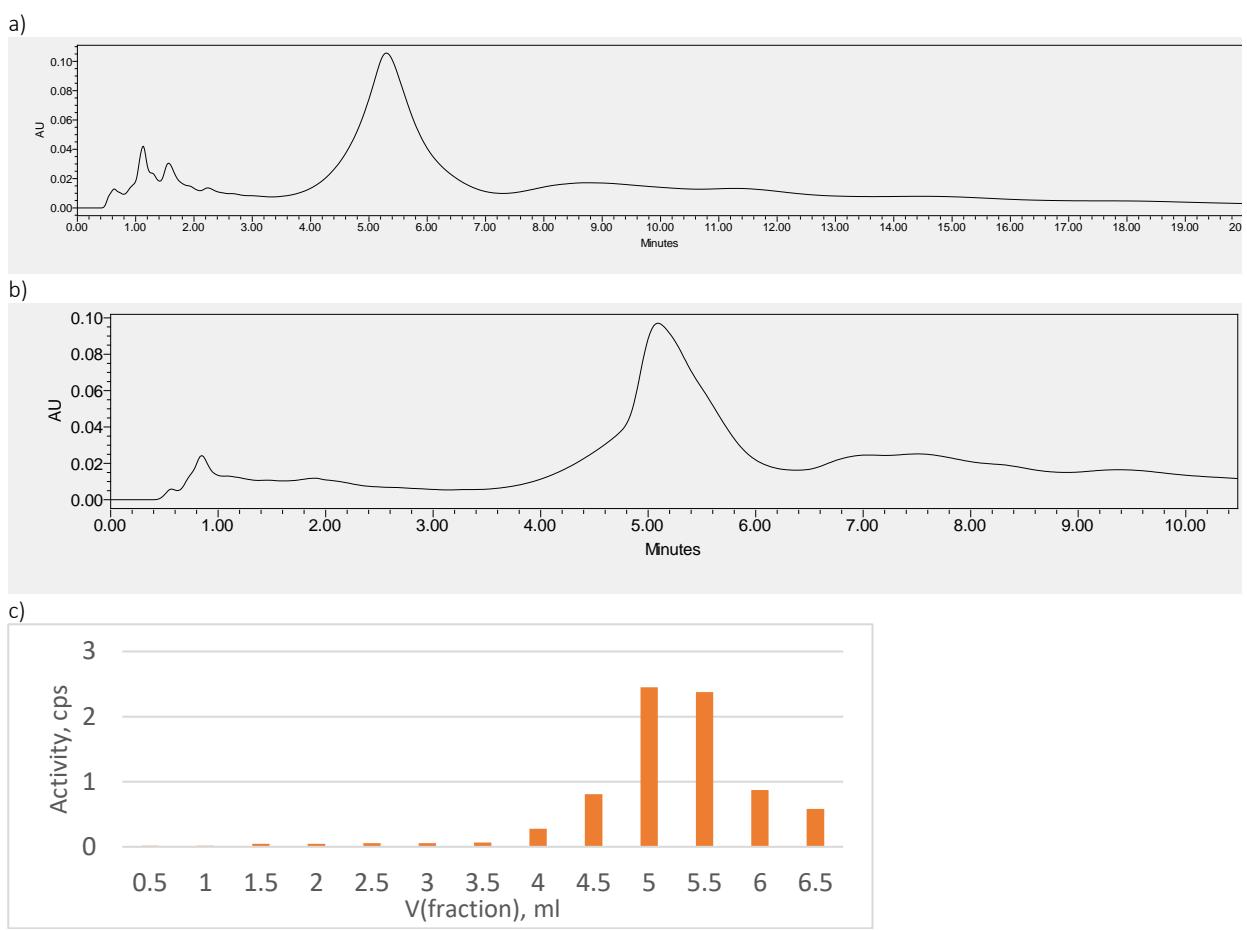
**Figure S23.** MS (ESI) spectrum of  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  in the presence of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  in water.



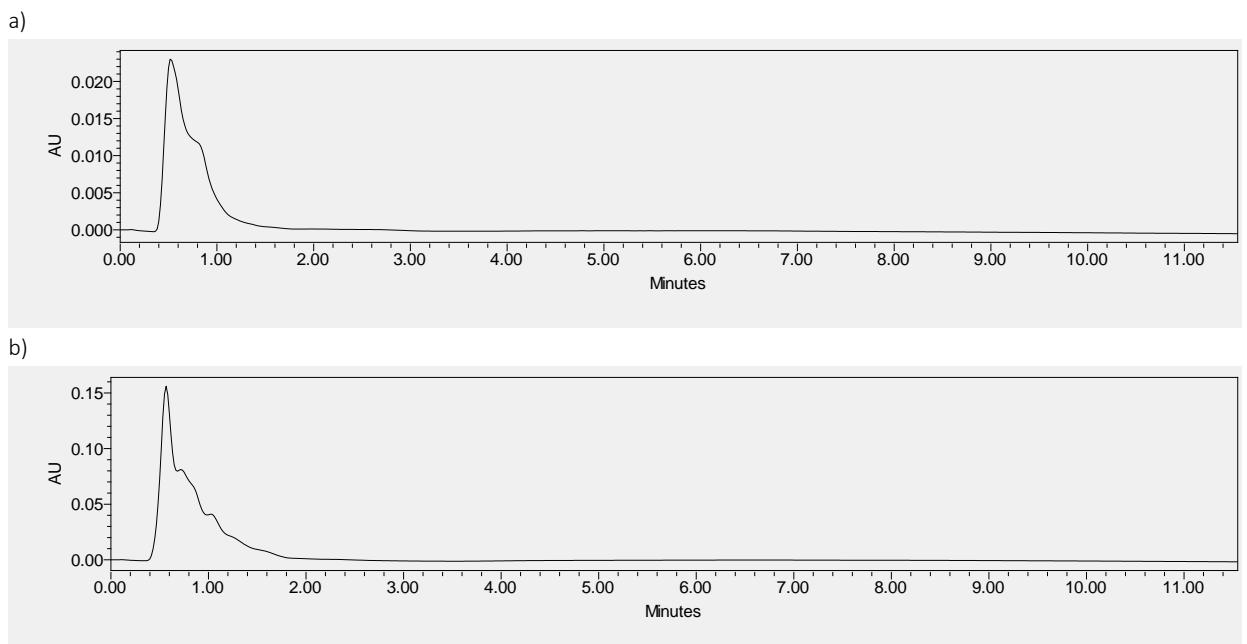
**Figure S24.** Potentiometric titration curves of solutions, containing 1 mM of L and 1 mM of L with 1 mM of  $\text{M}^{2+}$  in  $0.1\text{M KNO}_3$  (a)  $0.1\text{M NaClO}_4$  (b) and 1 mM of L with 2 mM of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  in  $0.1\text{M KNO}_3$ .



**Figure S25.** Species distribution diagrams in the systems: a)  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  (10 nM),  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  (0.1 mM),  $\text{Ac}^-$  (0.15 M); b)  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  (10 nM),  $\text{H}_2\text{BA2A1Py}$  (0.1 mM),  $\text{Ac}^-$  (0.15 M).



**Figure S26.** Chromatograms of: a) Cu-BA2A1Py (non-radioactive, 1.7 mM, pH5.3) recorded by UV-Vis detector at 267 nm; b) Pb-BA2A1Py (non-radioactive, 2 mM, pH7.4) recorded by UV-Vis detector at 267 nm; c) [ $^{210}\text{Pb}$ ]Pb-BA2A1Py (radioactive,  $c(L) = 0.1\text{mM}$ , pH5.3, without NaOAc) plotted according to measured activity in the collected fractions (correction to dead volume was applied).



**Figure S27.** Chromatogram of AcONa (0.15M) recorded by UV-Vis detector at 221 nm (a) and 267 nm (b), in the mode used for Pb-BA2A1Py complex (isocratic,  $\text{H}_2\text{O} - 0.9$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN} - 0.1$ ).