

**A Non-Templated Approach for Tuning the Spectral Properties of cyanine-based
Fluorescent NanoGUMBOS**

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Table S1. Elemental analysis of HMT GUMBOS

NIR GUMBOS	C		H		N	
	Theory	Found	Theory	Found	Theory	Found
[HMT][AOT]	70.82	69.38	8.49	8.63	3.37	3.35
[HMT][NTf ₂]	53.98	53.99	4.82	4.79	6.09	6.19
[HMT][TFPB]	64.31	61.97	5.21	4.92	4.05	3.61
[HMT][BETI]	50.72	50.19	4.19	4.21	5.34	5.32
[HMT][TFP4B]	47.02	50.91	3.18	4.66	1.29	0.84

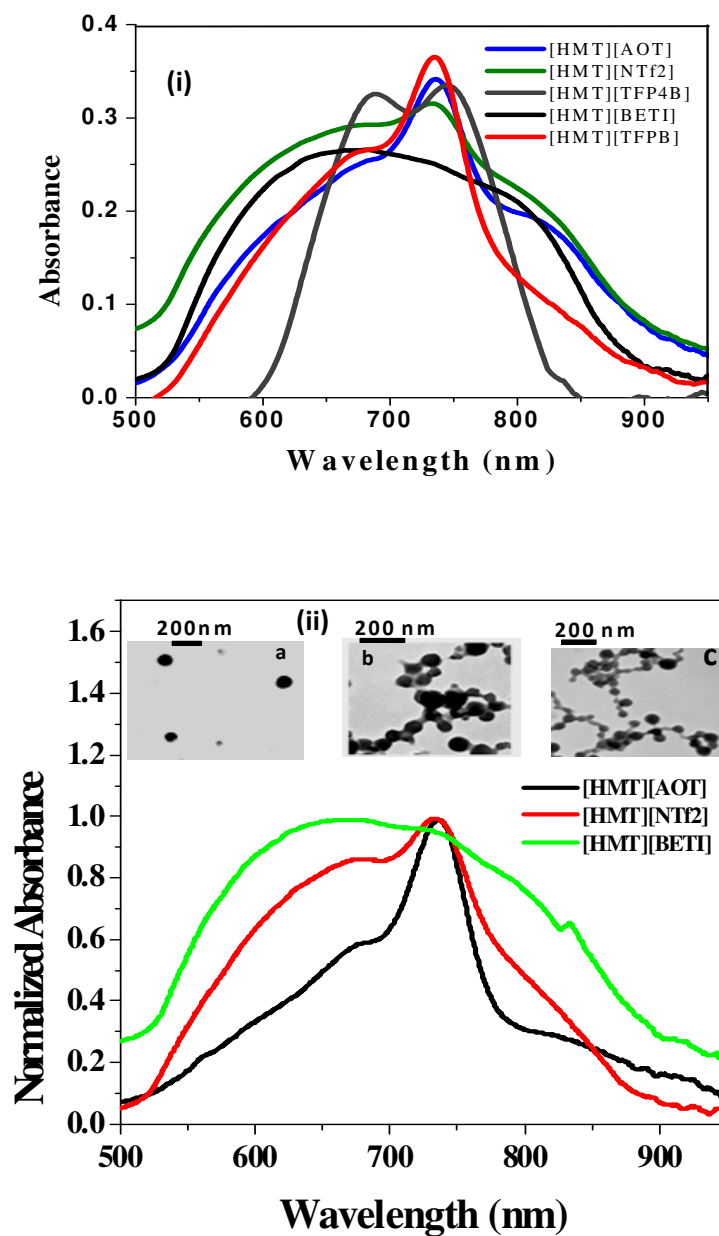


Figure S1. (i) Normalized absorption spectra of HMT nanoGUMBOS (ii) Normalized absorption spectra of same sized (~ 70 nm) HMT nanoparticles, inset TEM images of (a) [HMT][AOT], (b) [HMT][NTf₂] and (c) [HMT][BETI]

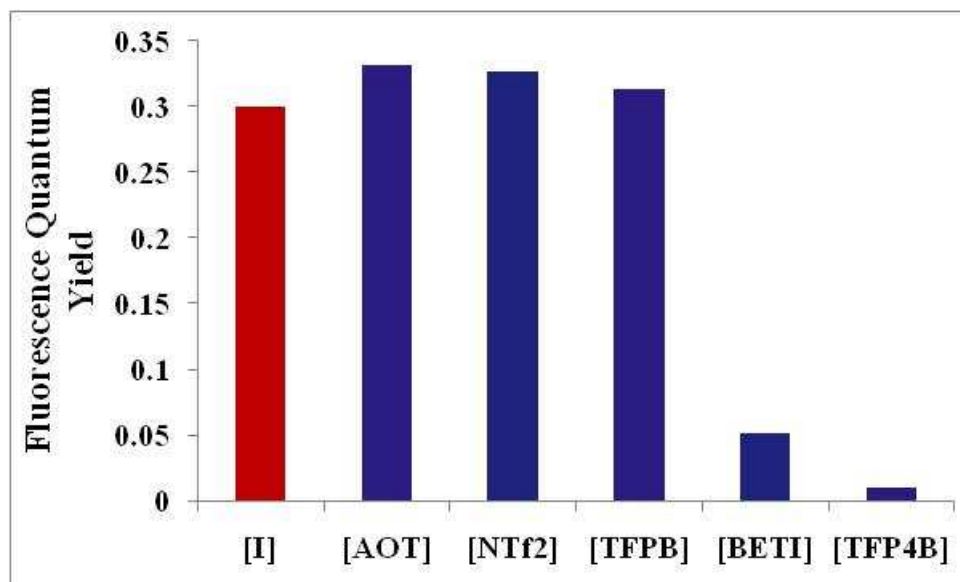


Figure S2. Fluorescence quantum yield of the HMT nanoGUMBOS (blue) and [HMT][I] (red) in Water Obtained with ICG as a standard.

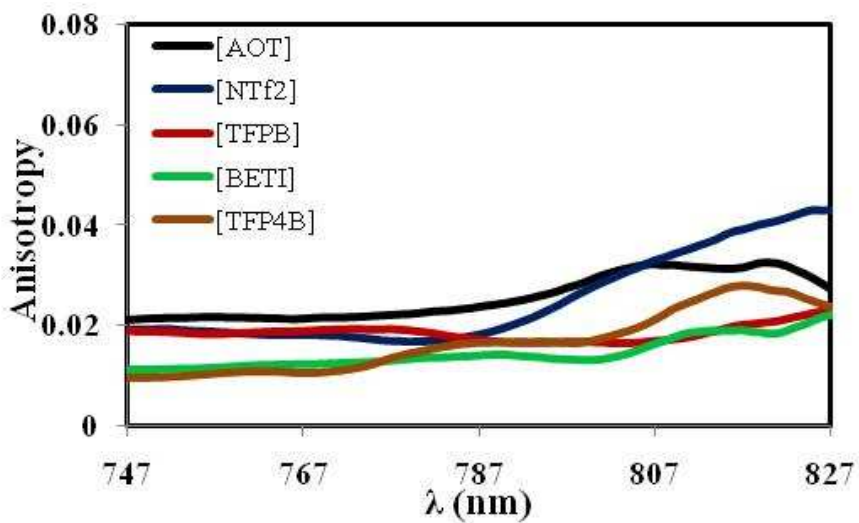


Figure S3. Fluorescence emission anisotropy of dilute ethanolic solutions of HMT anion pairs

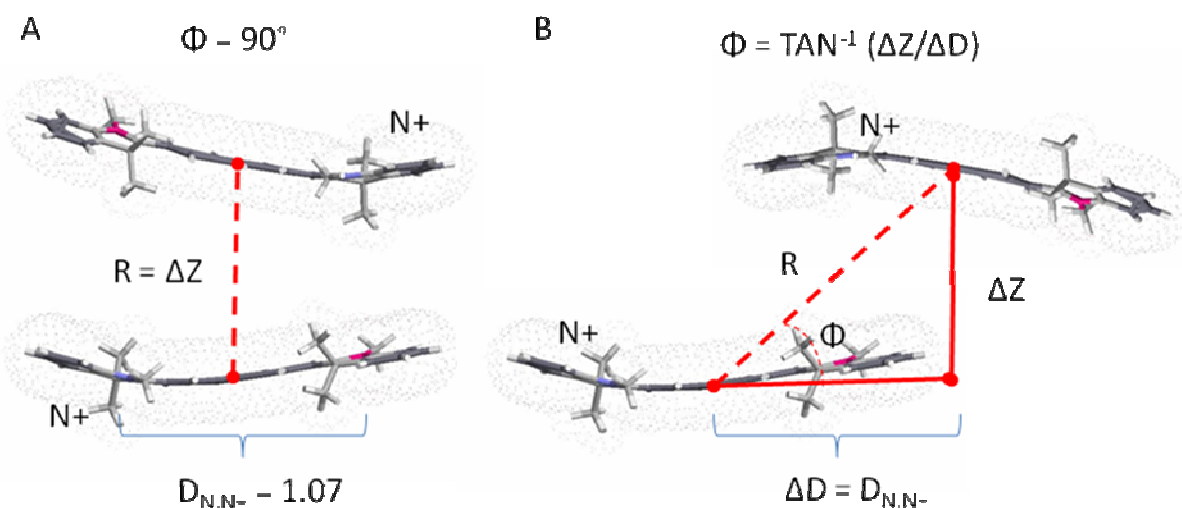


Figure S4. Postulated cation assemblies for a HMT H-aggregate (A) and a HMT J-aggregate (B). Stacking angle, Φ , depends on ΔZ and ΔD . A) HMT as a perfect H-aggregate, $\Phi = 90$. B) HMT as a perfect J-aggregate, $\Phi_{\text{tran}} = \text{TAN}^{-1}(\Delta Z/D_{N,N+})$.

Characterization by ^1H NMR and ^{19}F NMR

[HMT][NTf₂], ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): 7.84 (d, 1H), 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.39 (d, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.52 (t, 1H), 6.07 (d, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 3.57 (s, 6H), 1.68 (s, 6H), 1.57 (s, 6H). ^{19}F NMR (236 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): -79.2

[HMT][BETI], ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): 7.83 (d, 1H), 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.39 (d, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.52 (t, 1H), 6.07 (d, 1H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 3.56 (s, 6H), 1.68 (s, 6H), 1.57 (s, 6H). ^{19}F NMR (236 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): -79.0, -79.2 .

[HMT][TFPB], ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.15 (s, 2H), 7.84 (d, 1H), 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.39 (d, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.52 (t, 1H), 6.07 (d, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 3.57 (s, 6H), 1.68 (s, 6H), 1.57 (s, 6H). ^{19}F NMR (236 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): -62.7, -63.0, -63.1.

[HMT][TFP4B], ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ (ppm): 7.84 (d, 1H), 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.50 (s, 4H), 7.39 (d, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.26 (s, 8H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H),

7.20 (s, 1H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.52 (t, 1H), 6.07 (d, 1H) , 5.30 (s, 2H), 3.57 (s, 6H), 3.25 (s, 24H), 1.68 (s, 6H), 1.57 (s, 6H). ^{19}F NMR (236 MHz, DMSO- d_6), δ (ppm): -71.8.

[HMT][AOT], ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6), δ (ppm): 7.82 (d, 1H), 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.38 (d, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.52 (t, 1H), 6.07 (d, 1H) , 5.30 (s, 2H), 6.23 (t, 1H), 4.24 (d, 4H), 4.95 (d, 2H), 2.35 (m, 2H), 3.57 (s, 6H), 1.68 (s, 6H), 1.57 (s, 6H), 1.54 (m, 4H), 1.25 (m, 10H), 0.84 (t, 12H).

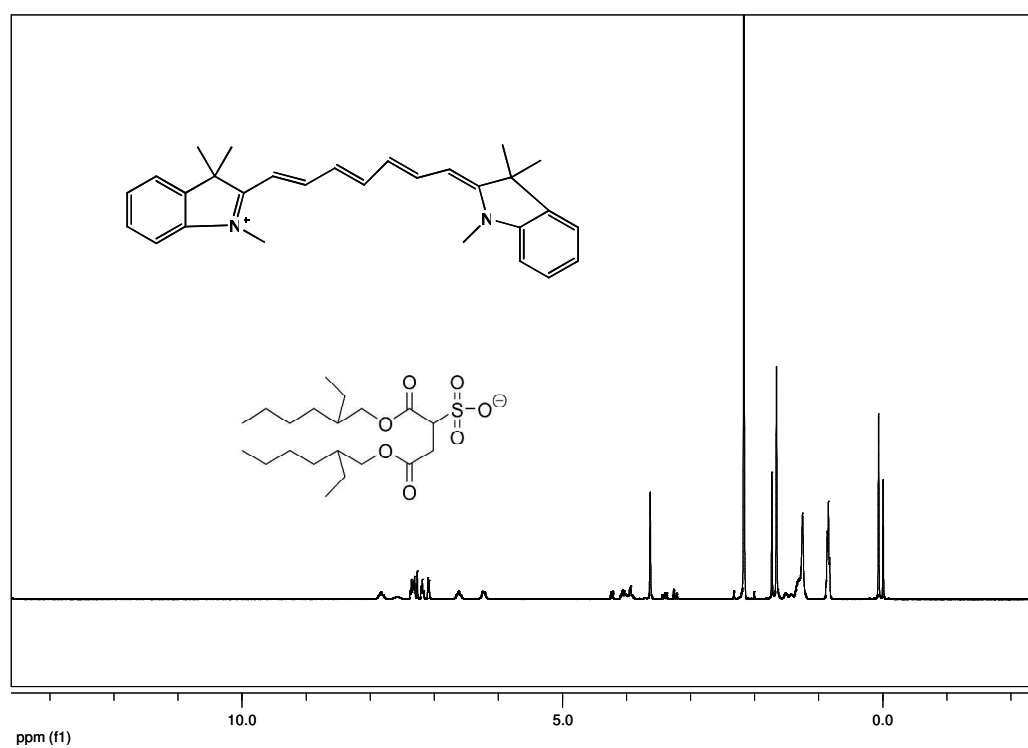


Figure S5-1. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) of [HMT][AOT].

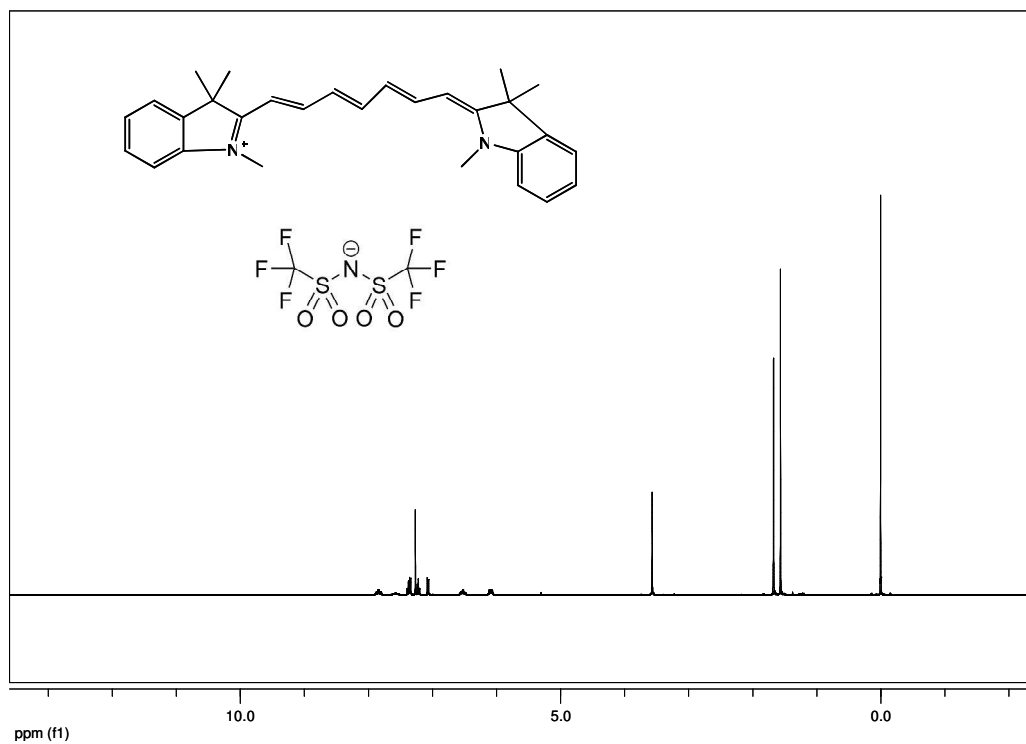


Figure S5-2a. ^1H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) of [HMT][NTf₂].

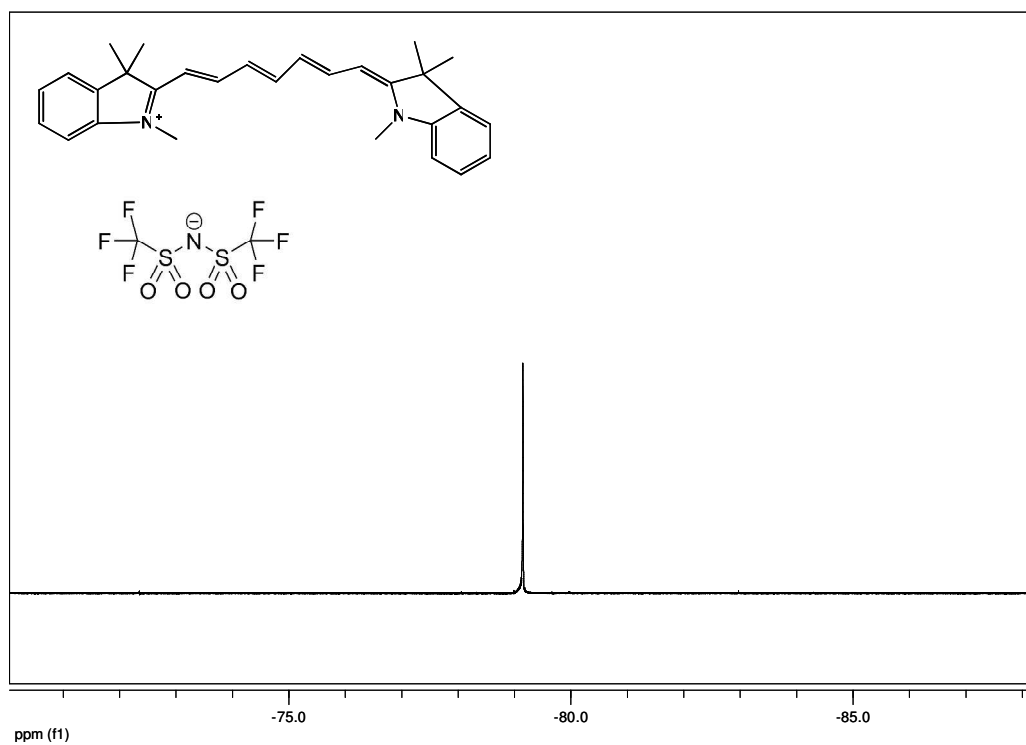


Figure S5-2b. ^{19}F NMR (CDCl₃, 236MHz) of [HMT][NTf₂].

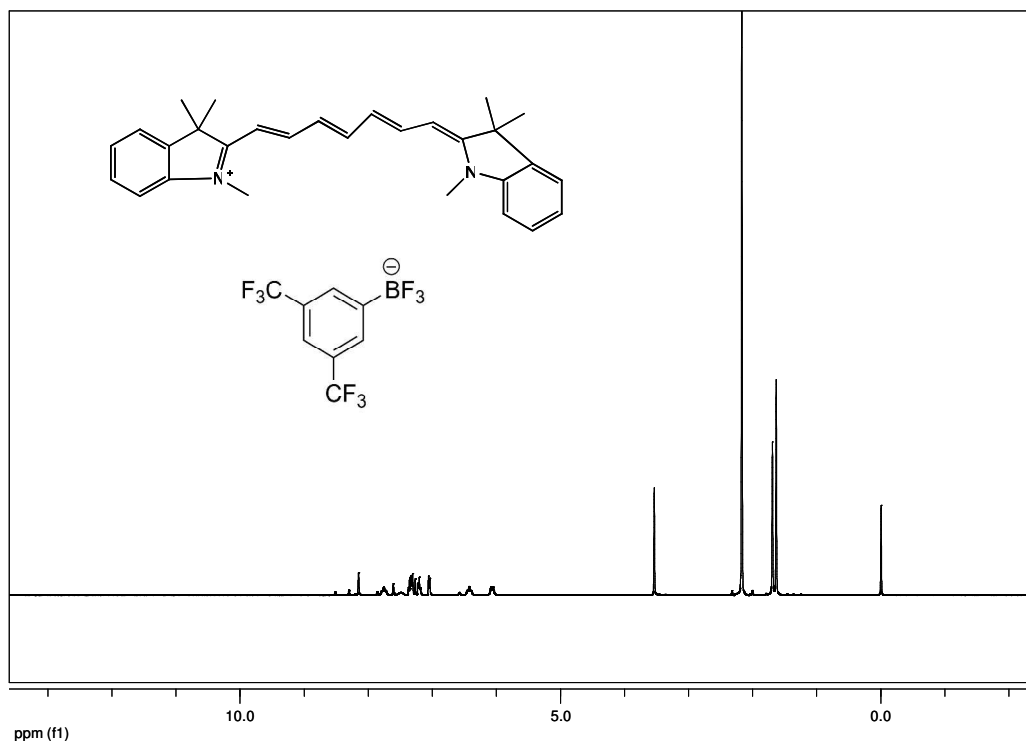


Figure S5-3a. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) of [HMT]TFPB]

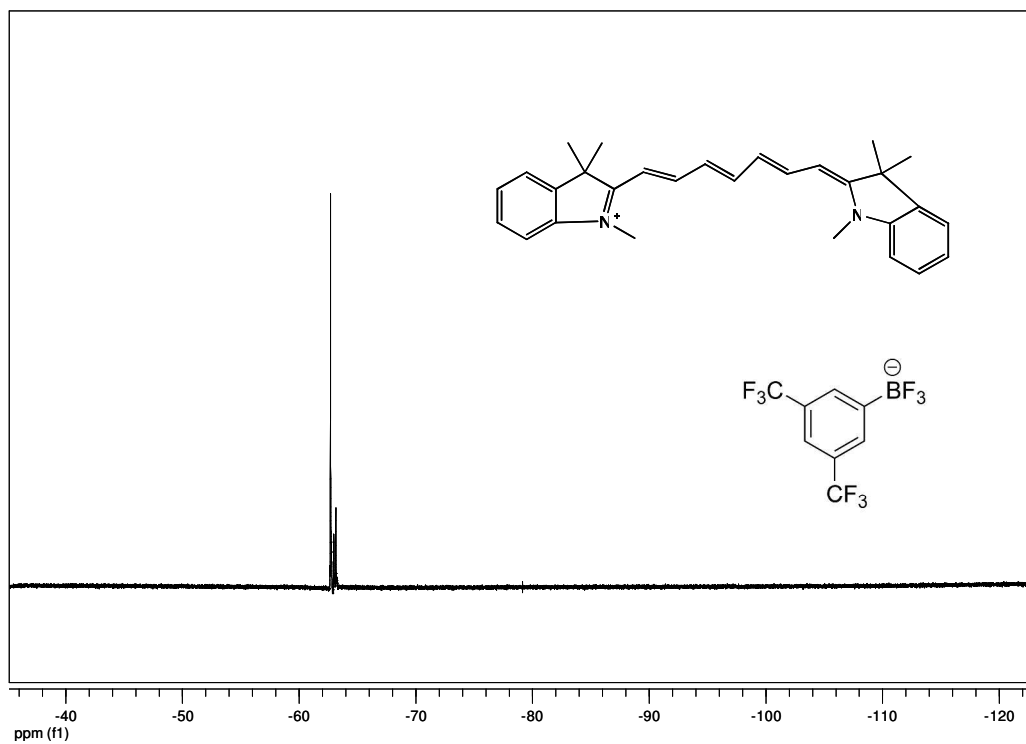


Figure S5-3b. ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 236MHz) of [HMT][TFPB].

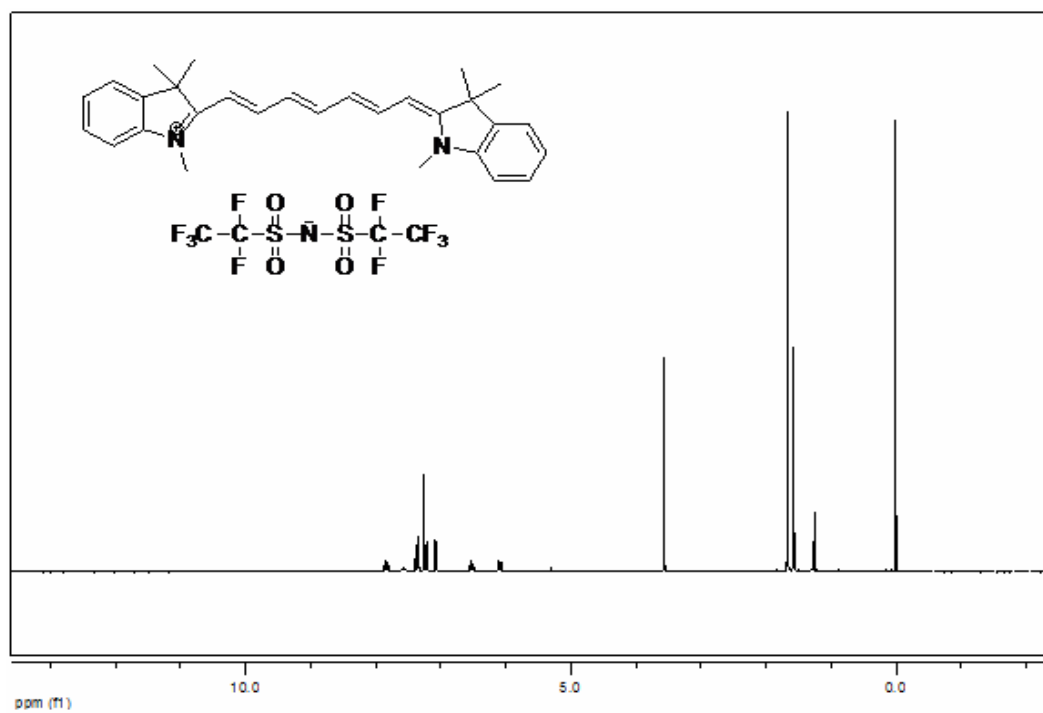


Figure S5-4a. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) of [HMT][BETI]

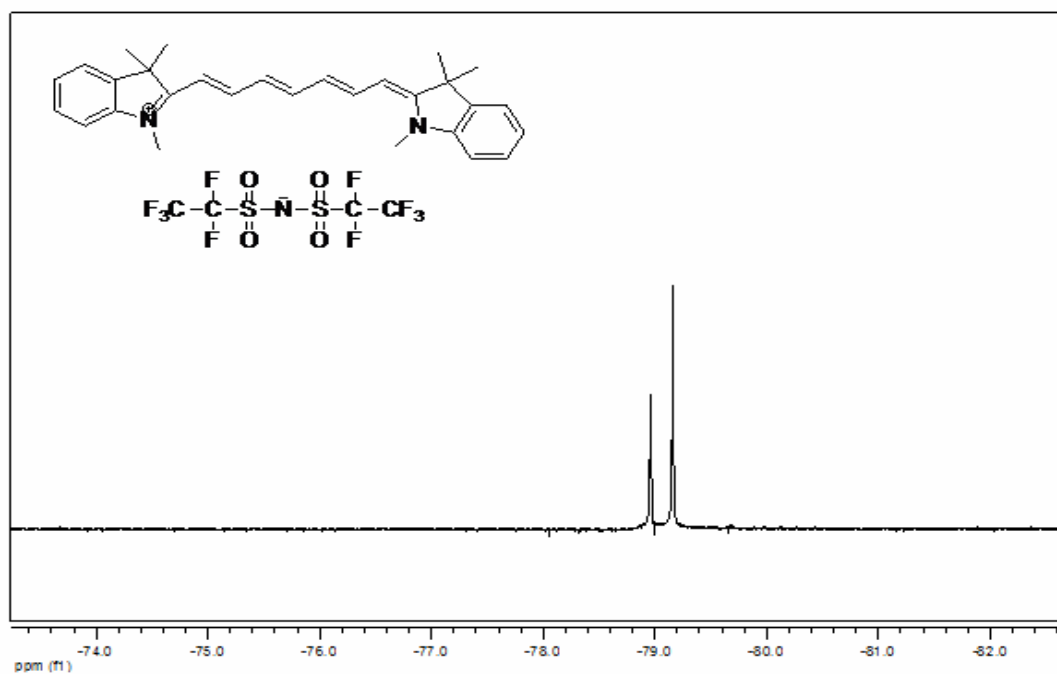


Figure S5-4b. ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 236MHz) of [HMT][BETI]

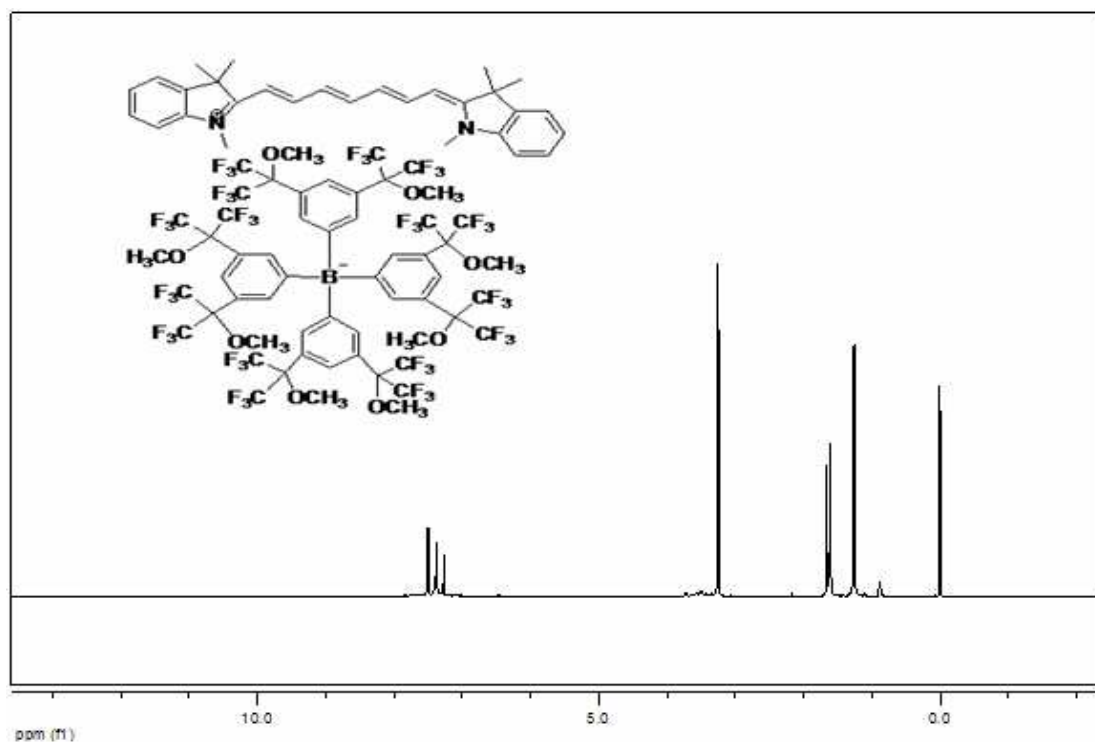


Figure S5-5a. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) of $[\text{HMT}][\text{TFP4B}]$

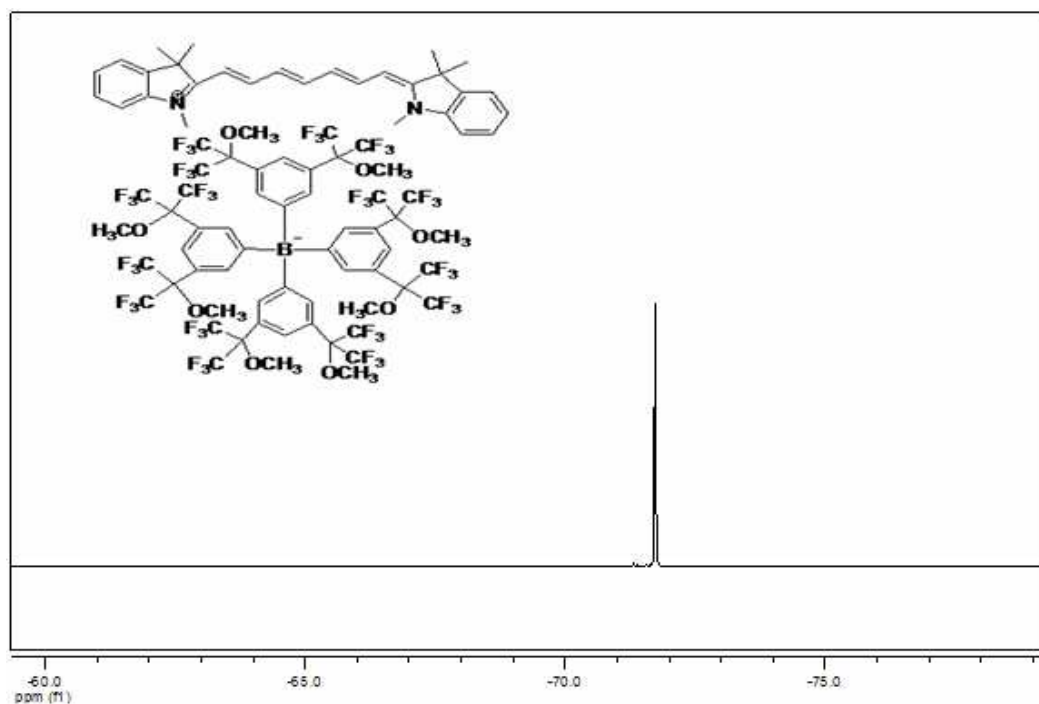


Figure S5-5b. ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 236MHz) of $[\text{HMT}][\text{TFP4B}]$