

# Not always what closes best opens better: Mesoporous nanoparticles capped with organic gates

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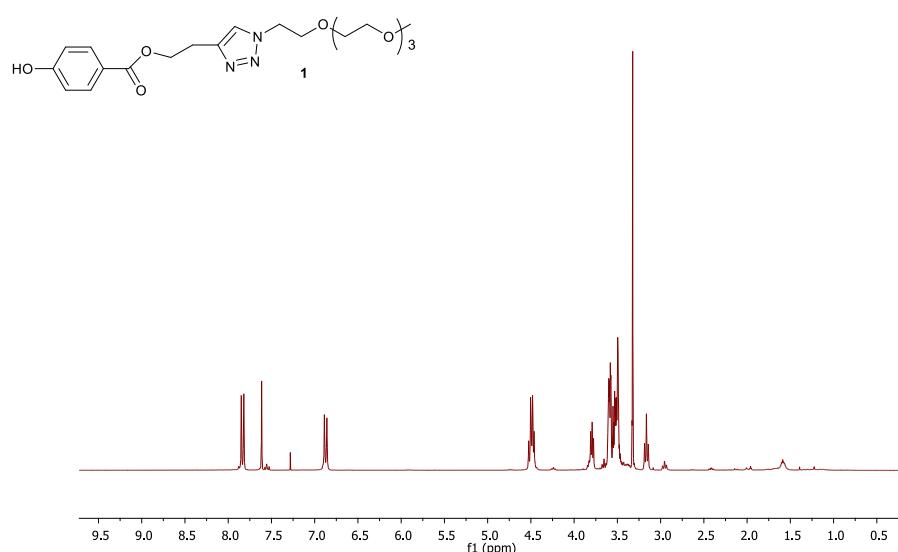
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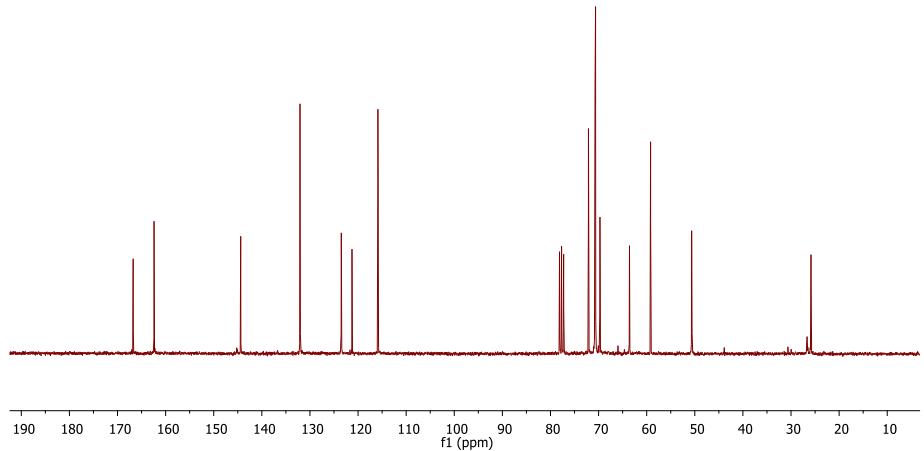
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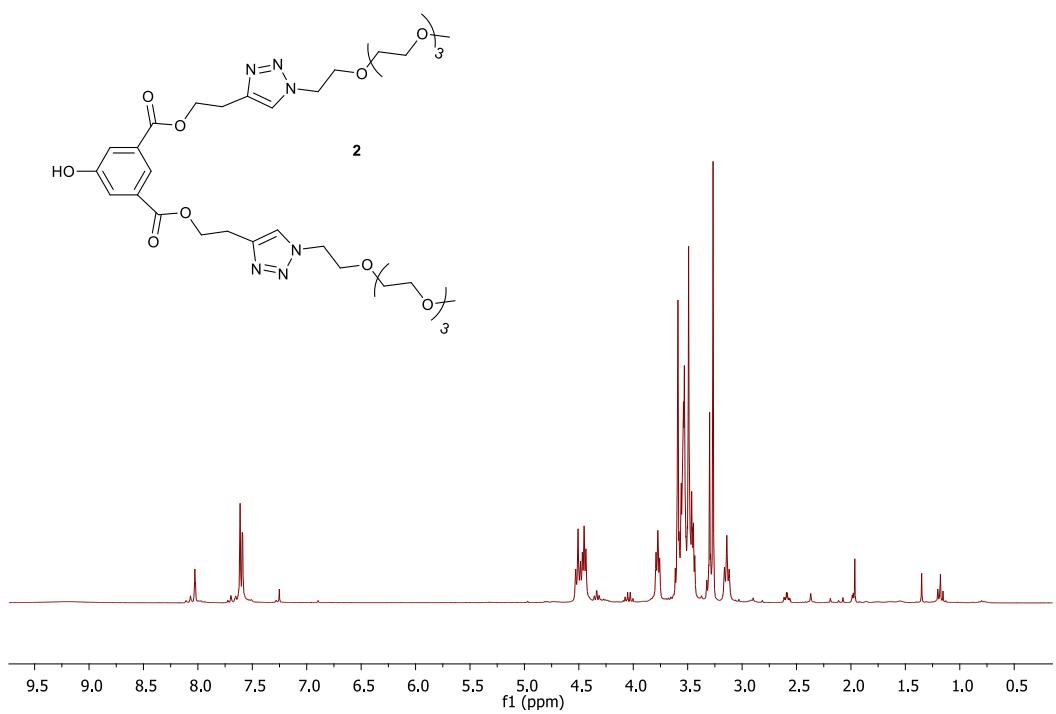
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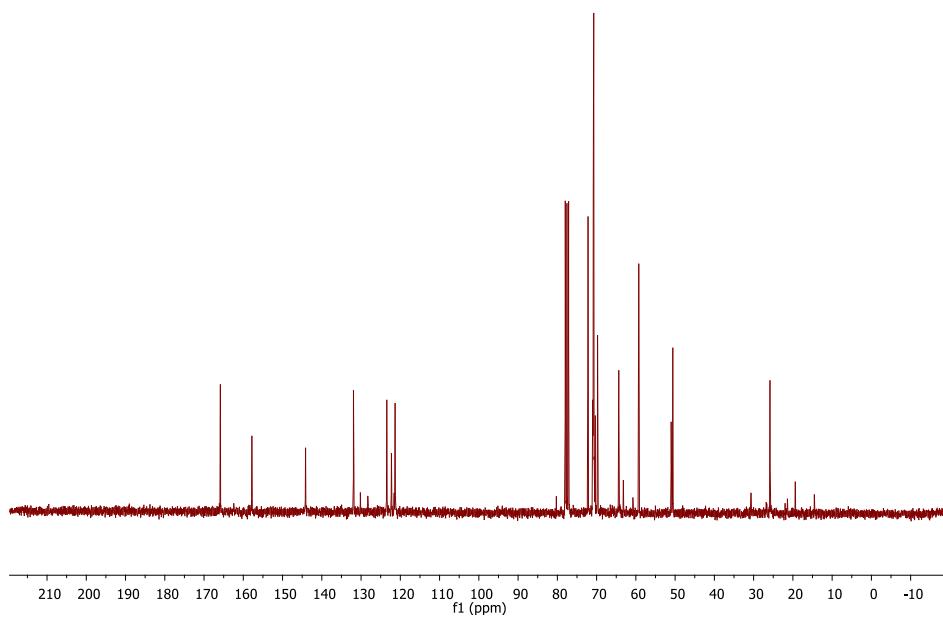
**Figure S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **1** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 300 and 75 MHz.



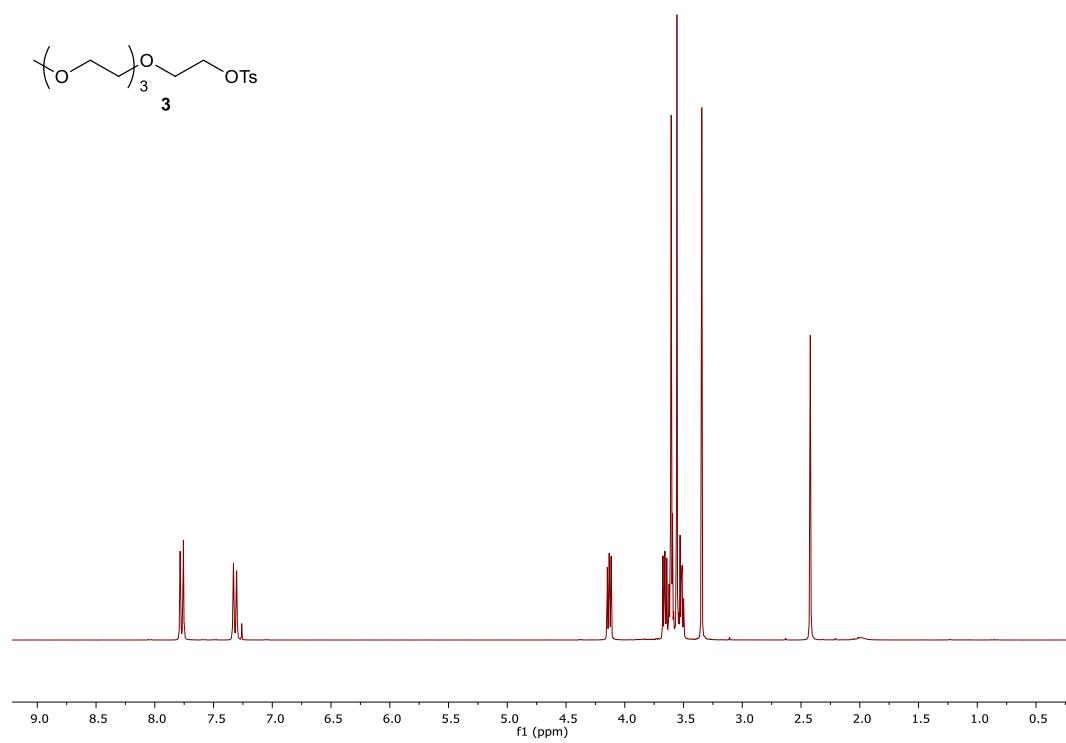


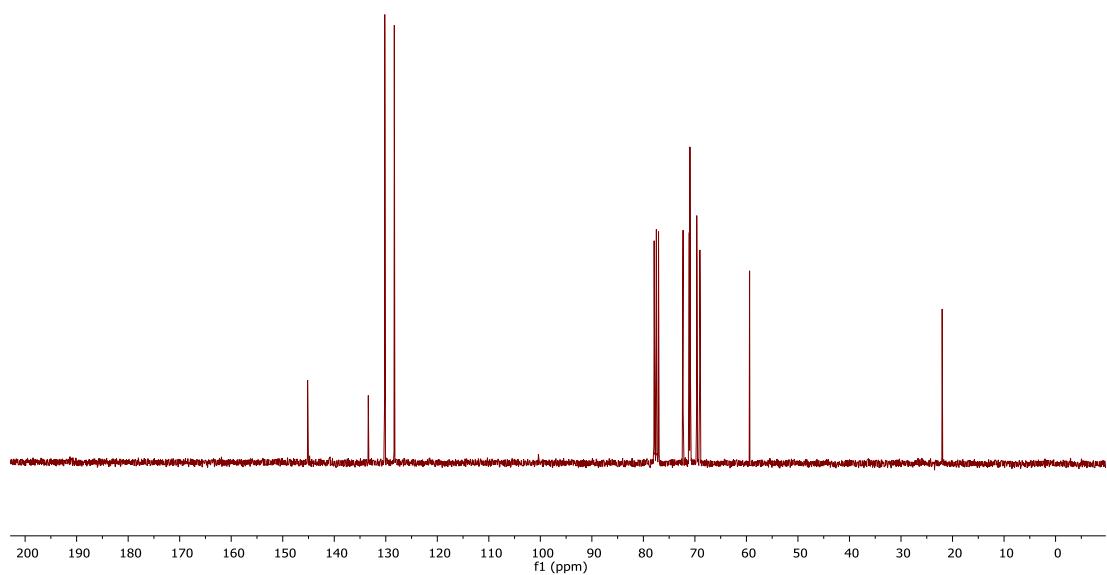
**Figure S2.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **2** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 300 and 75 MHz.



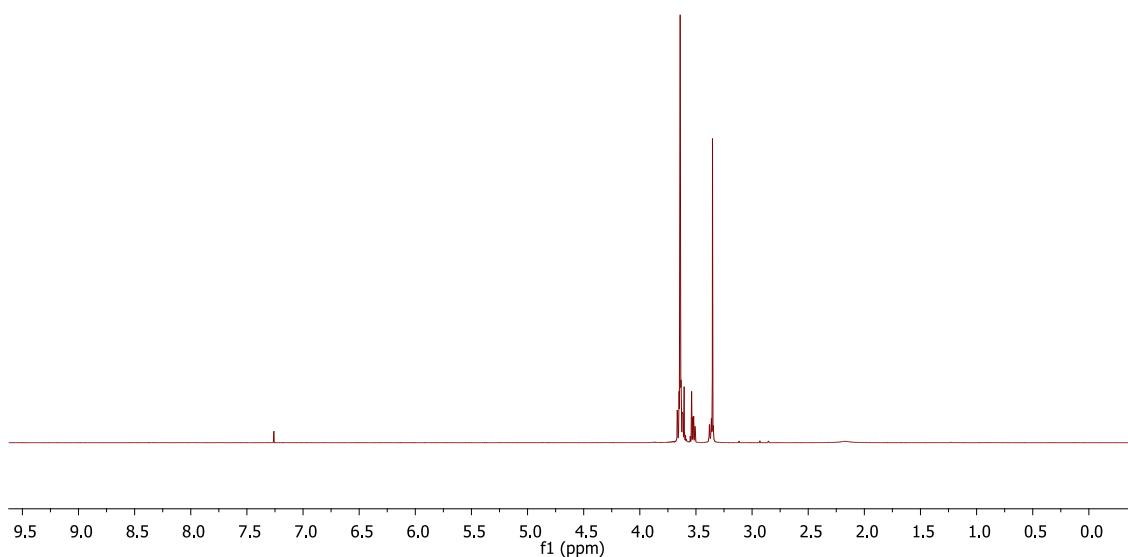
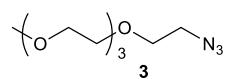


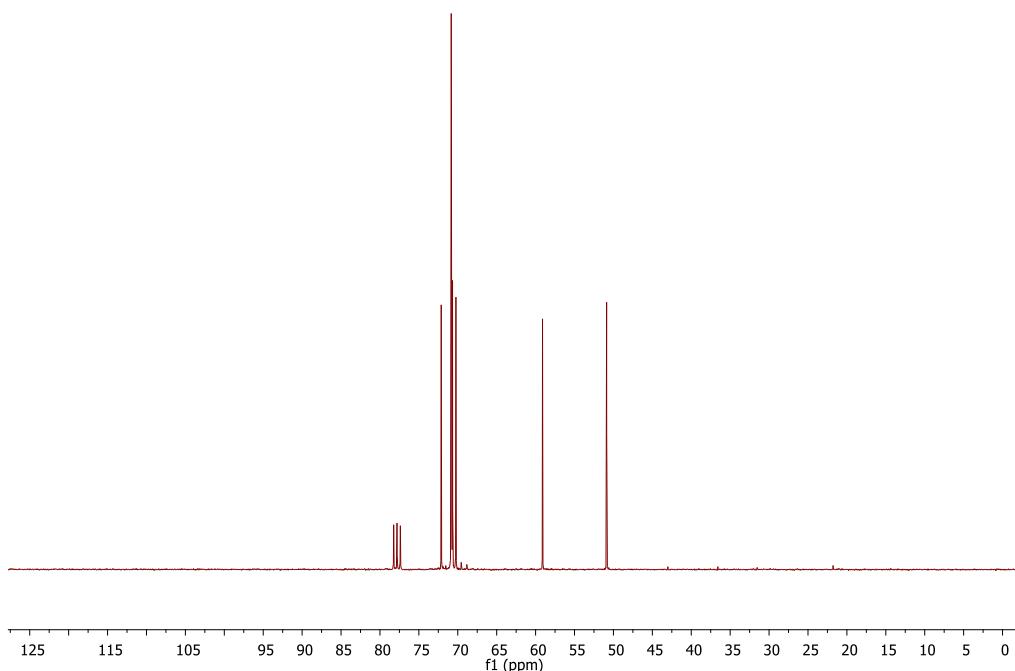
**Figure S3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of 2,5,8,11-tetraoxatridecan-13-yl-4-methylbenzenesulfonate in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 300 and 75 MHz.



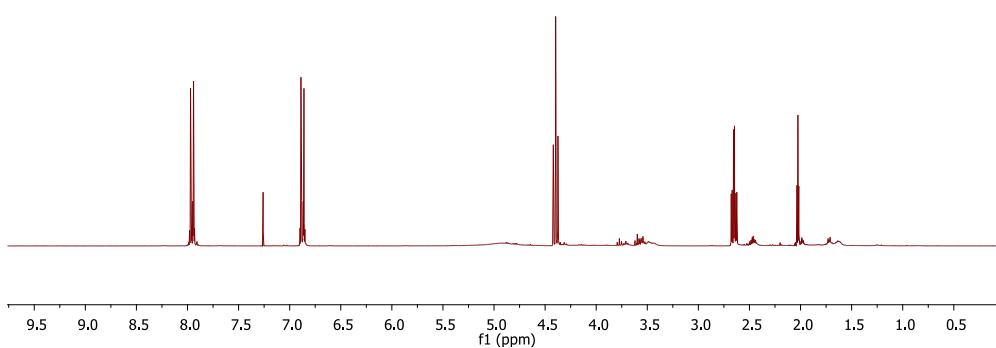
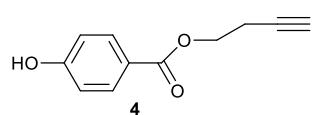


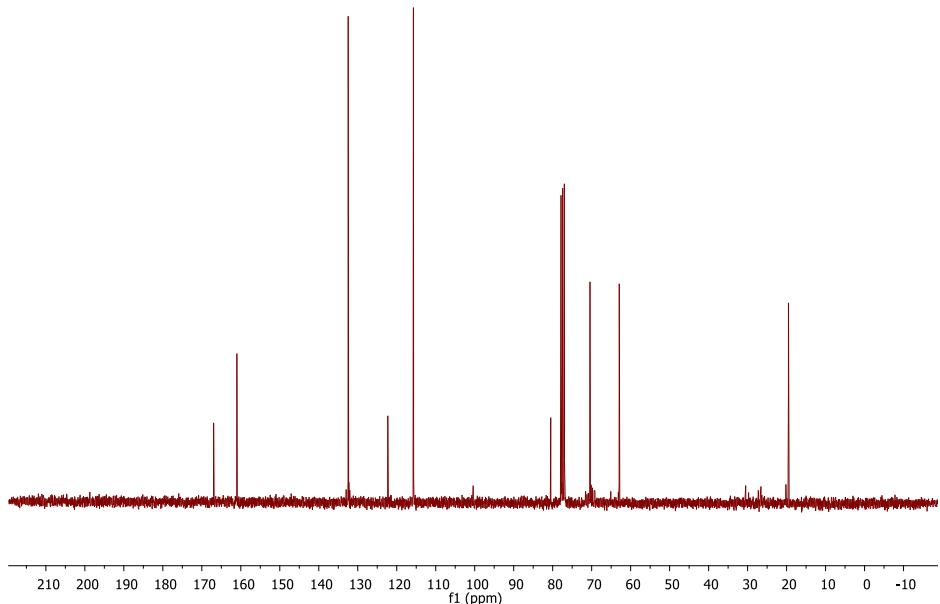
**Figure S4.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 13-azido-2,5,8,11-tetraoxatridecane (**3**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 300 and 75 MHz.



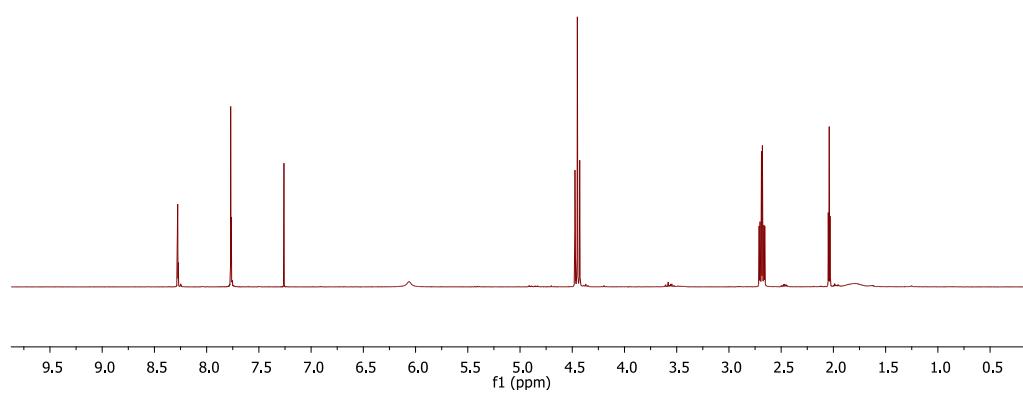
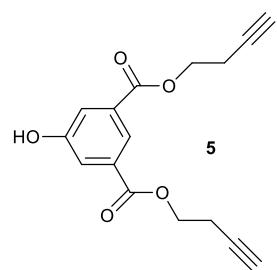


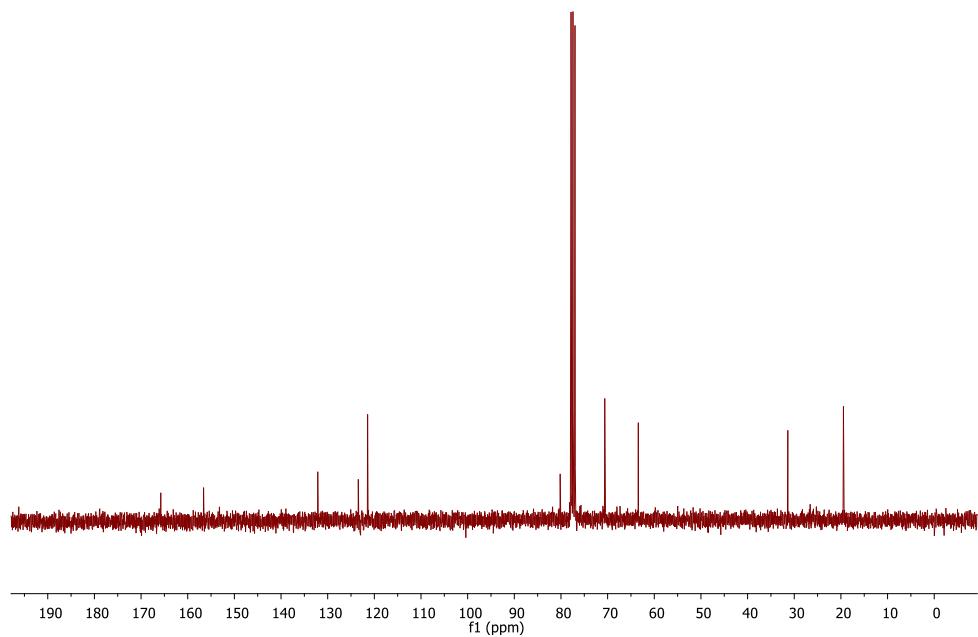
**Figure S5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound but-3-yn-1-yl 4-hydroxybenzoate (**4**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 300 and 75 MHz.



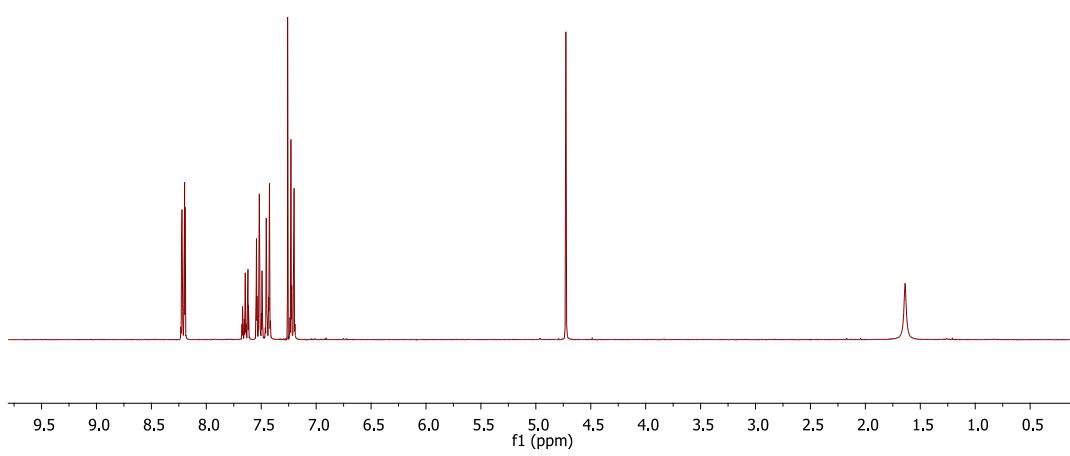
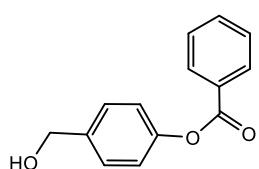


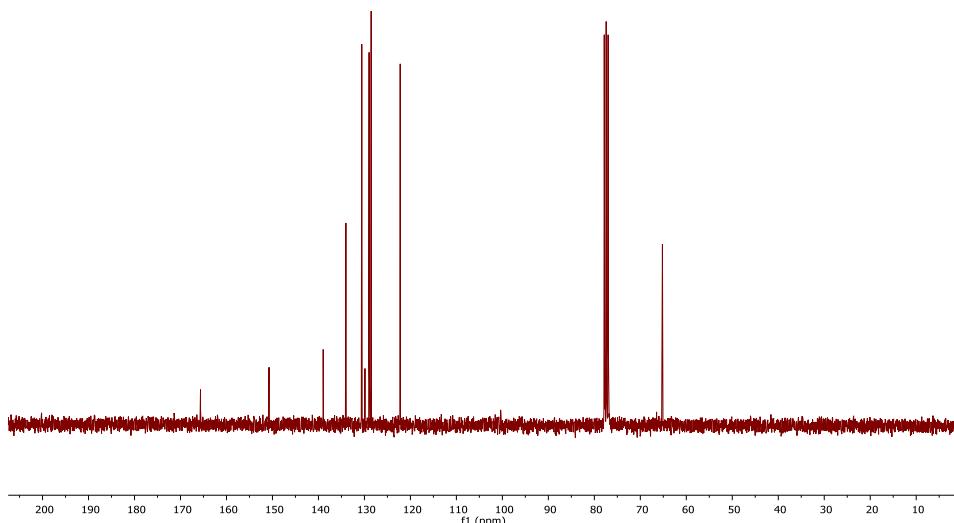
**Figure S6.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound di(but-3-yn-1-yl) 5-hydroxyisophthalate (**5**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 300 and 75 MHz.



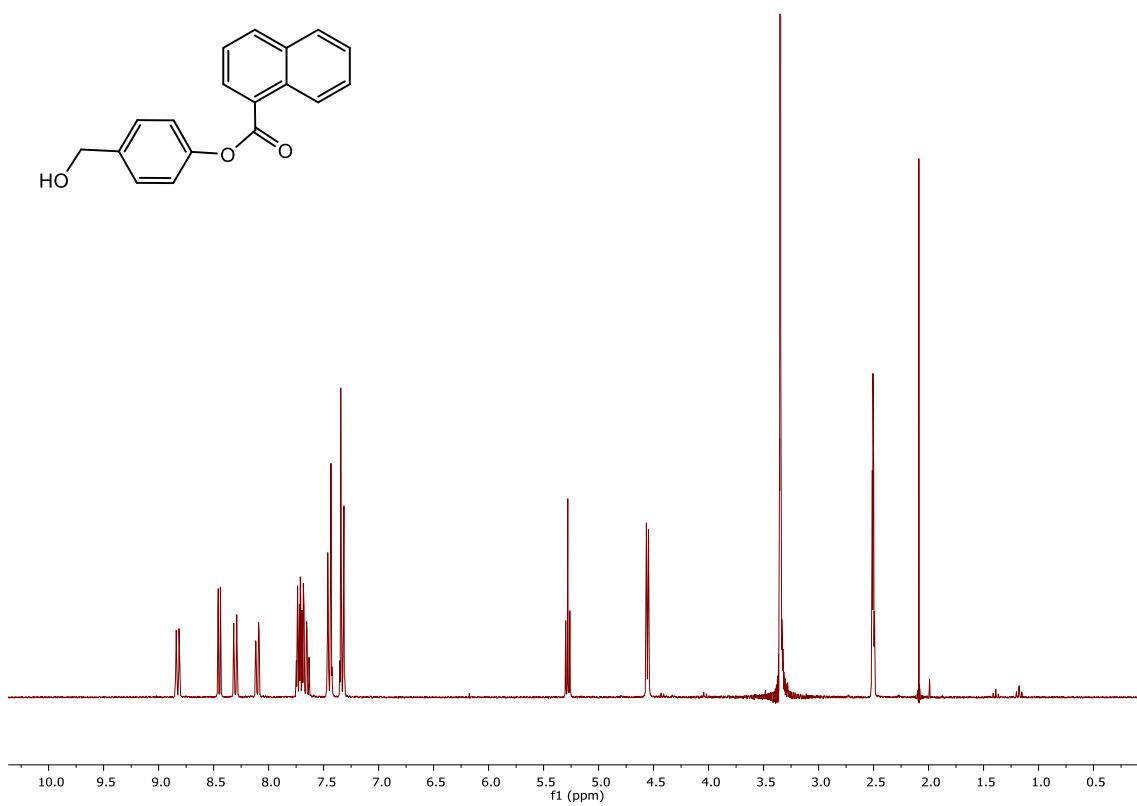


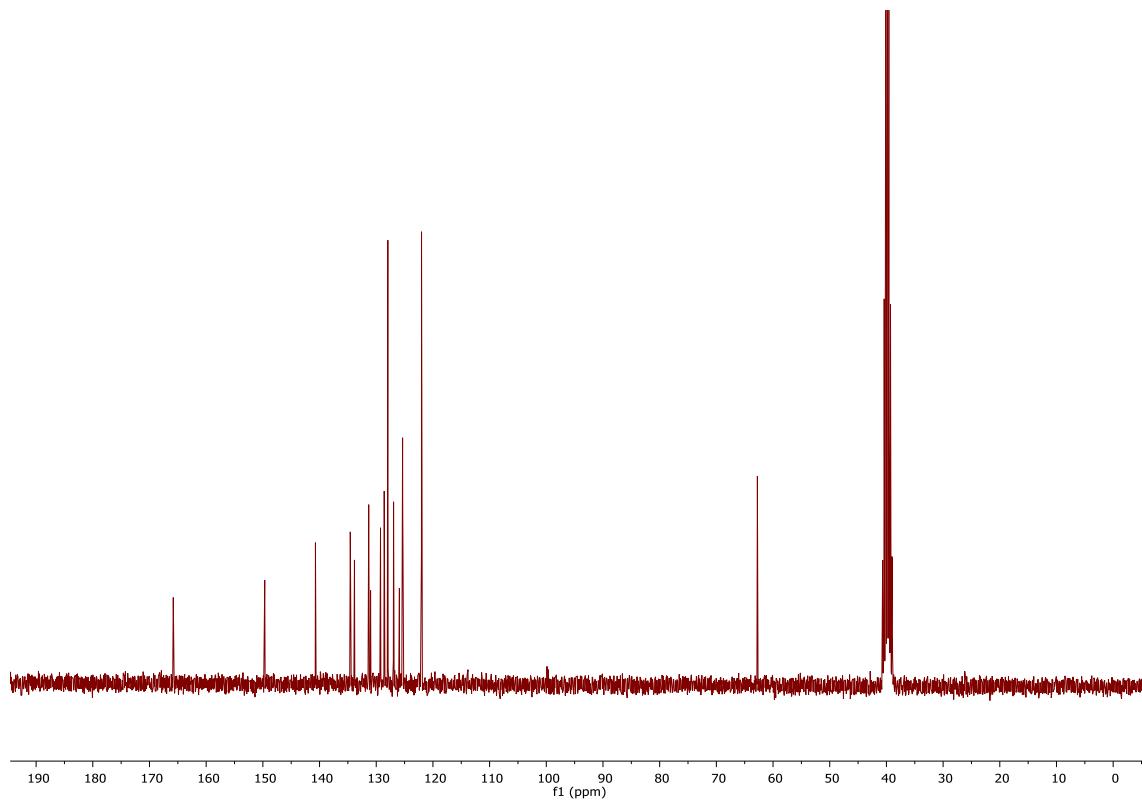
**Figure S7.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl benzoate (**6**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 300 MHz and 75 MHz.



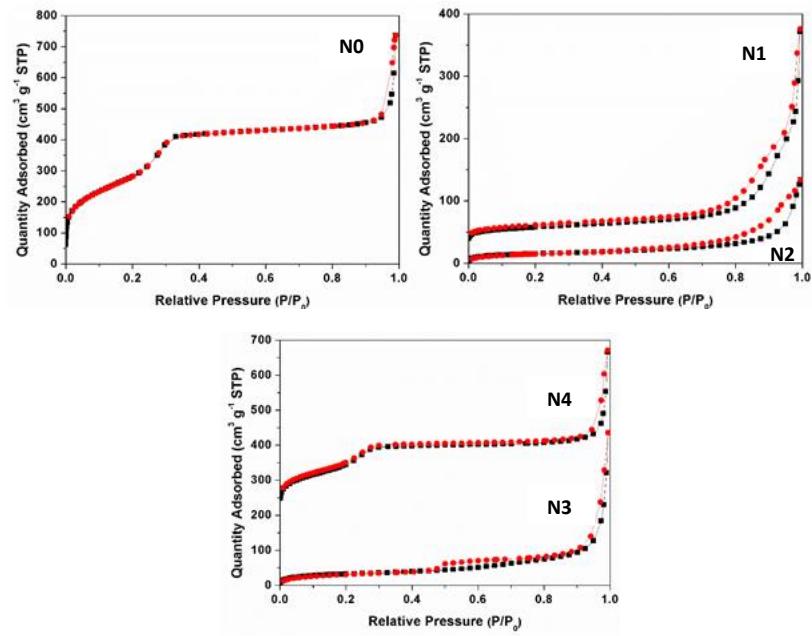


**Figure S8.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum 4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl 1-naphthoate (**7**) in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 300 and 75 MHz

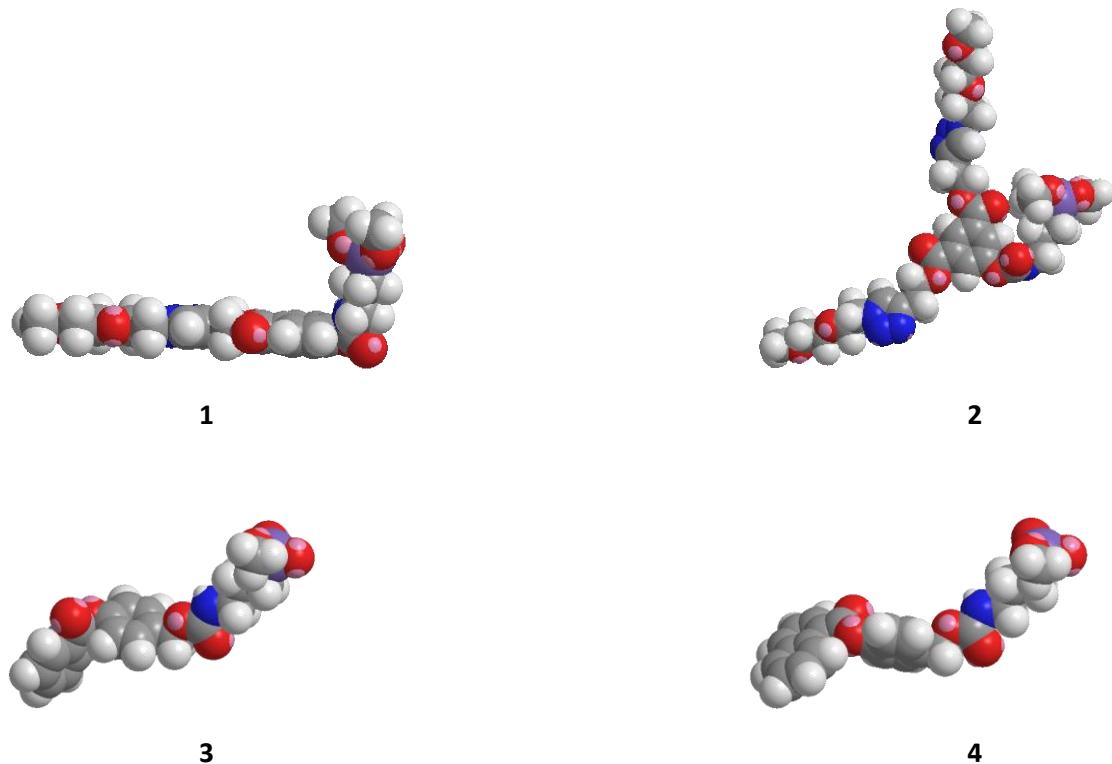




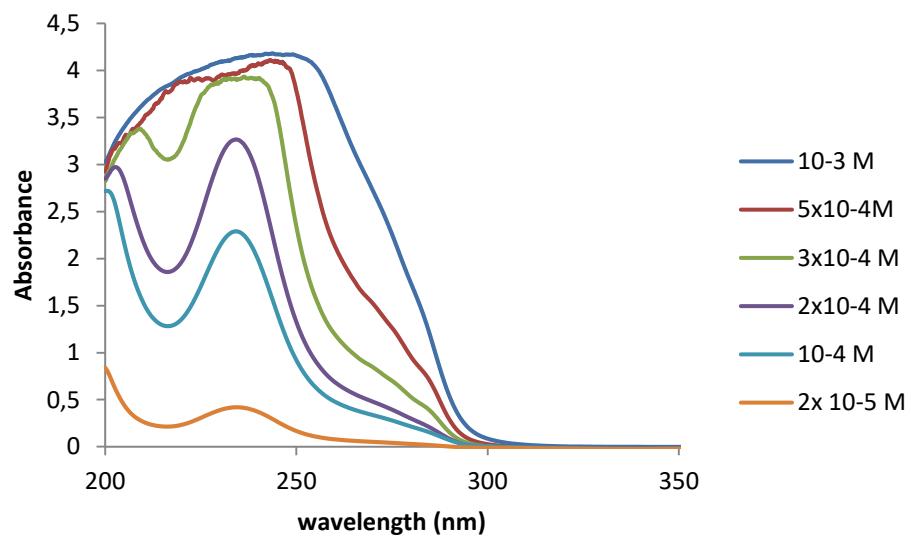
**Figure S9.**  $\text{N}_2$  adsorption-desorption isotherms. When two isotherms have been combined, the curves have been y-shifted for clarity. Adsorption branch (■). Desorption branch (●).



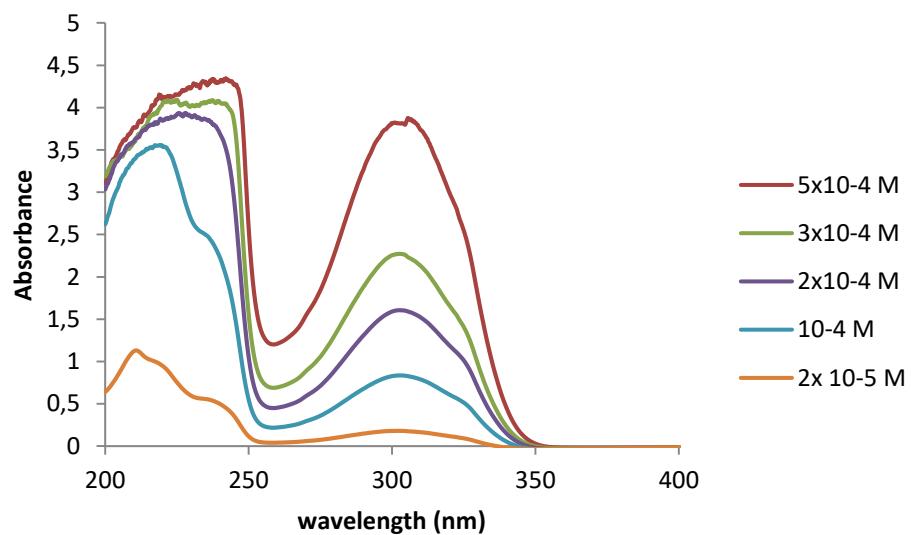
**Figure S10.** Molecular modeling of the molecular gates used in **N1**, **N2**, **N3** and **N4** preparation



**Figure S11.** UV-vis spectrum of compound **3a** in EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O (50/50) at different concentrations.



**Figure S12.** UV-vis spectrum of compound **4a** in EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O (50/50) at different concentrations.



**Figure S13.** UV in solid phase of **N3**, **3a** and Rhodamine 6G

