

Electronic Supplementary Information for

**Cationic all-halogen bonding rotaxanes for halide anion recognition**

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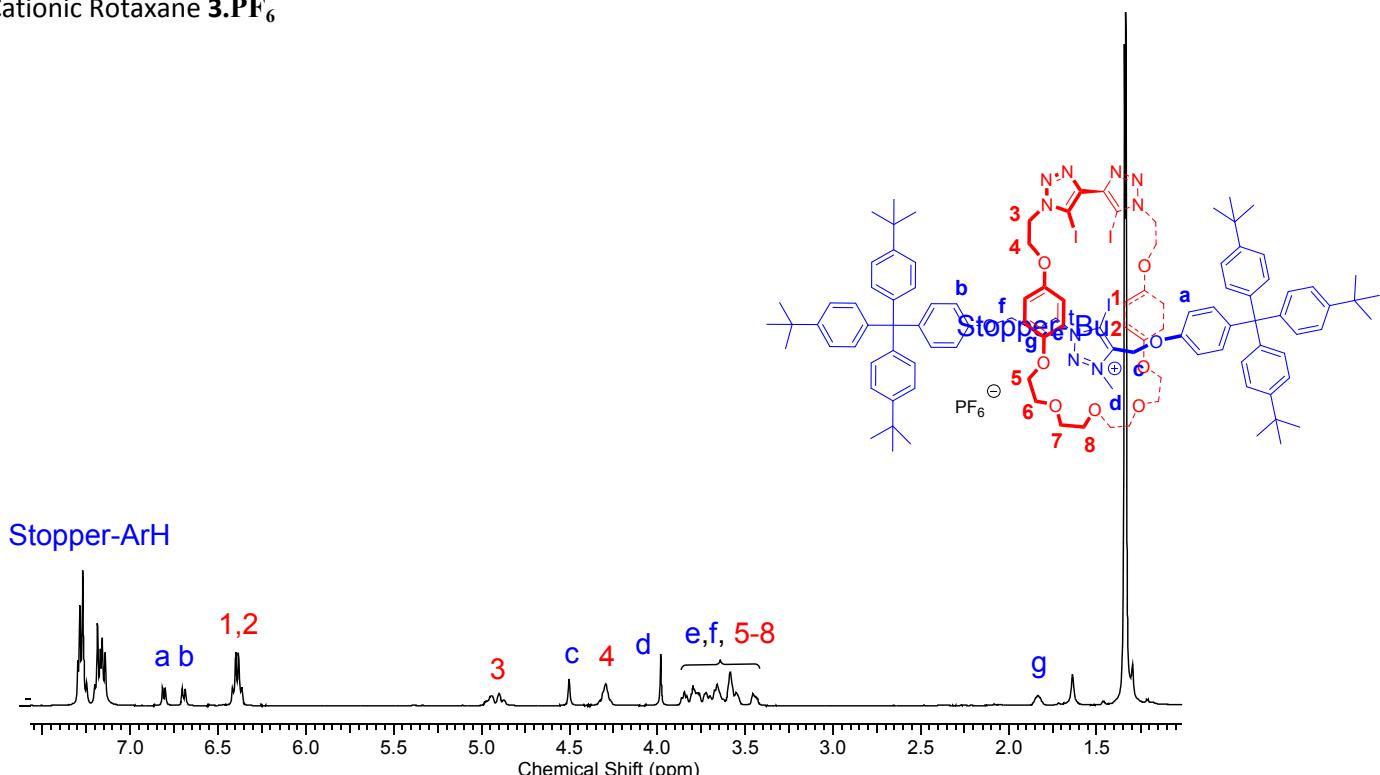
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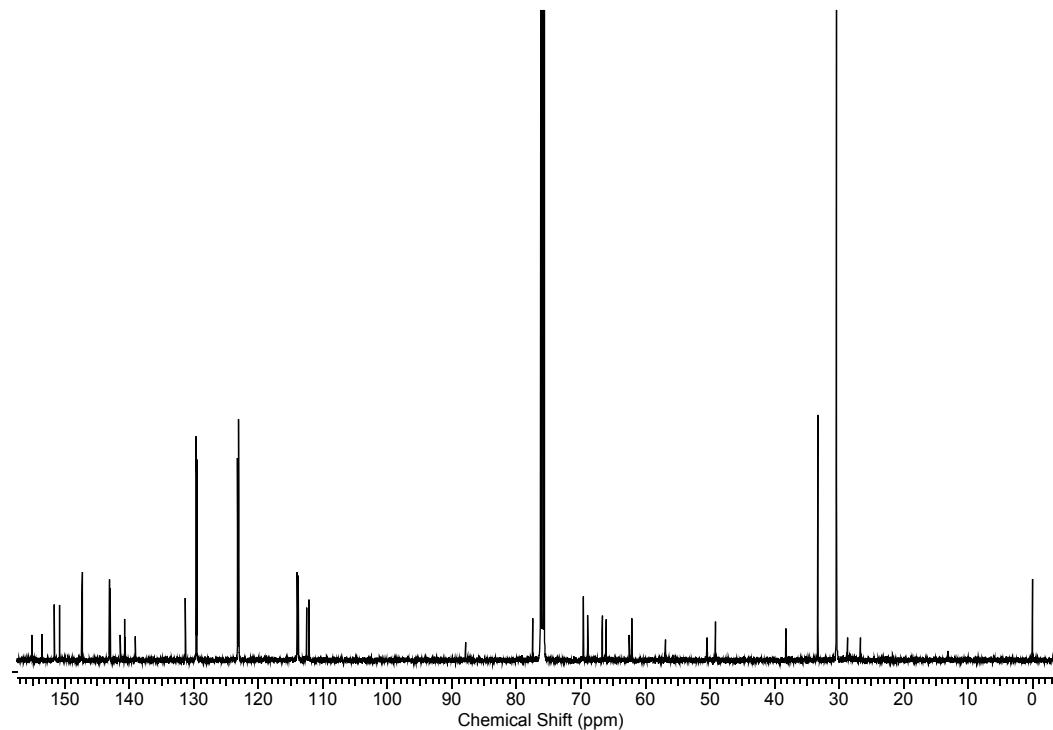
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## 1. Spectral Characterization of Rotaxanes **3.PF<sub>6</sub>**, **4.PF<sub>6</sub>**, **7**, **8.PF<sub>6</sub>**

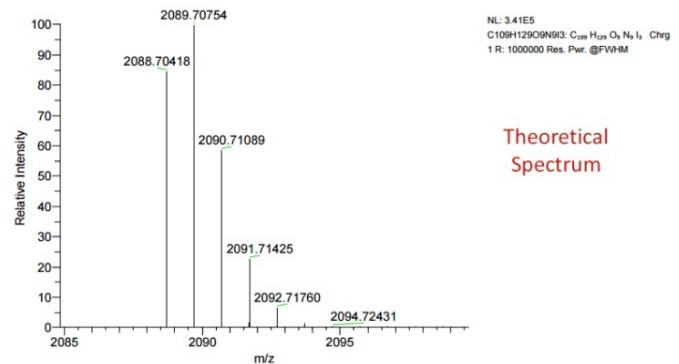
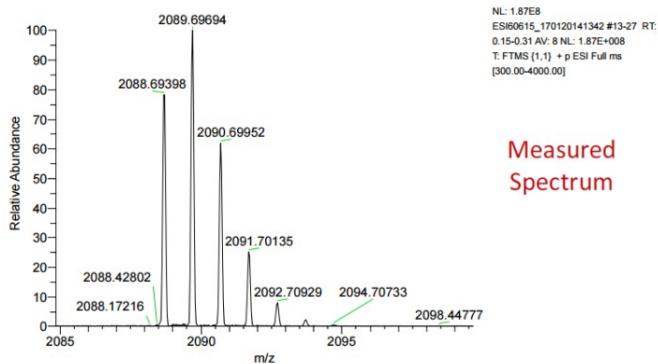
Cationic Rotaxane **3.PF<sub>6</sub>**



**Figure S1-1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of [2]rotaxane **3.PF<sub>6</sub>** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K (500 MHz).

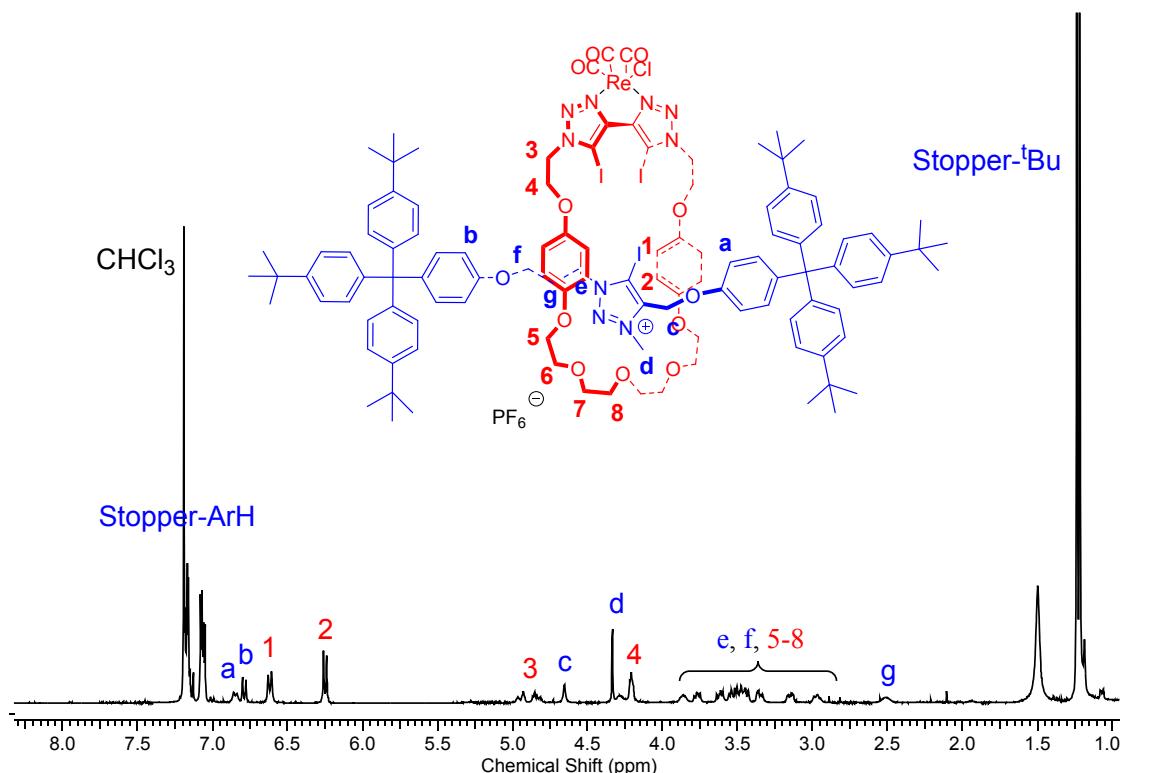


**Figure S1-2.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of [2]rotaxane **3.PF<sub>6</sub>** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K (125 MHz).

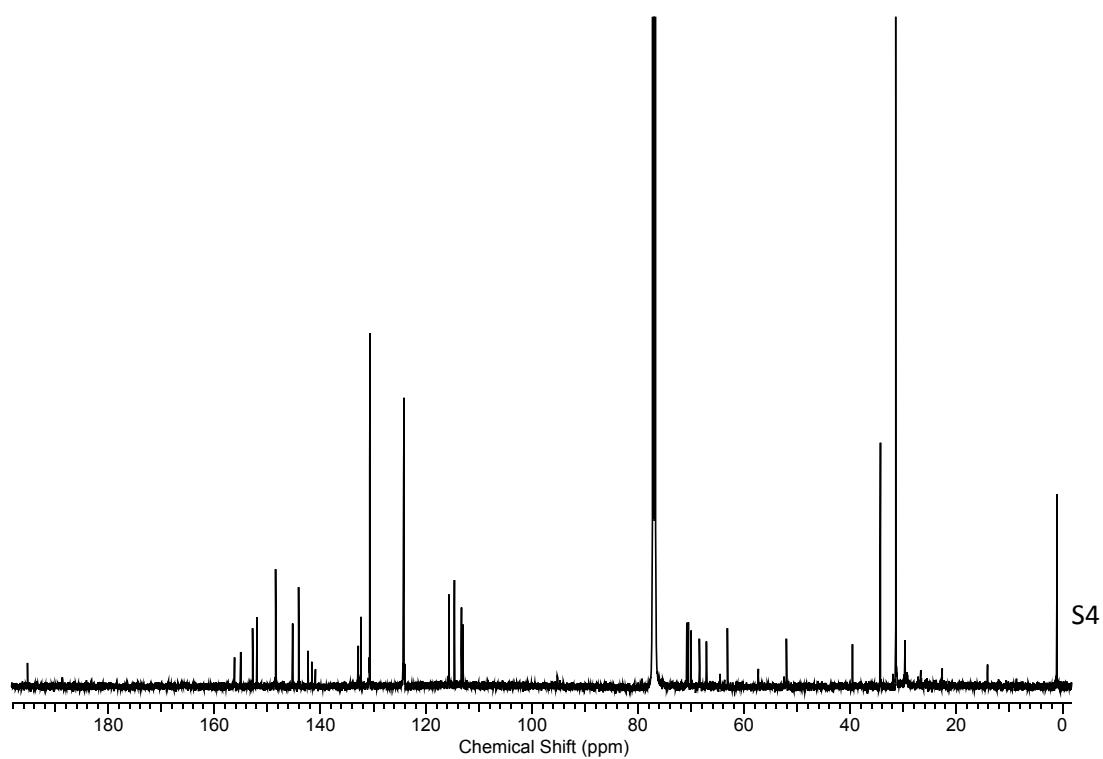


**Fig S1-3.** High-resolution mass spectrum of rotaxane **3.PF<sub>6</sub>**. Left: measured spectrum; Right: theoretical isotope model.

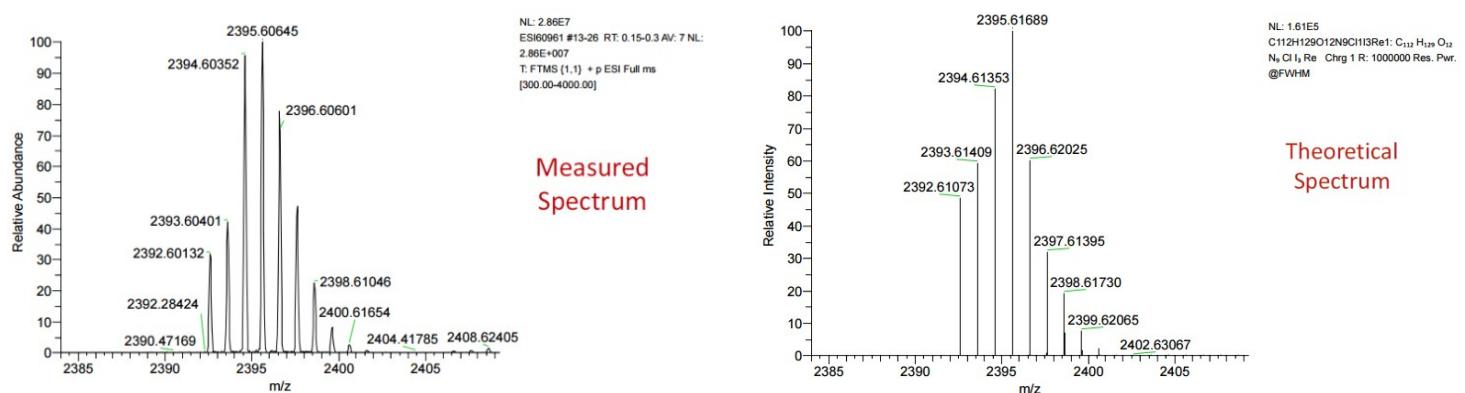
Cationic Re<sup>I</sup>-Rotaxane **4.PF<sub>6</sub>**



**Figure S1-4.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of [2]rotaxane **4.PF<sub>6</sub>** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K (500 MHz).

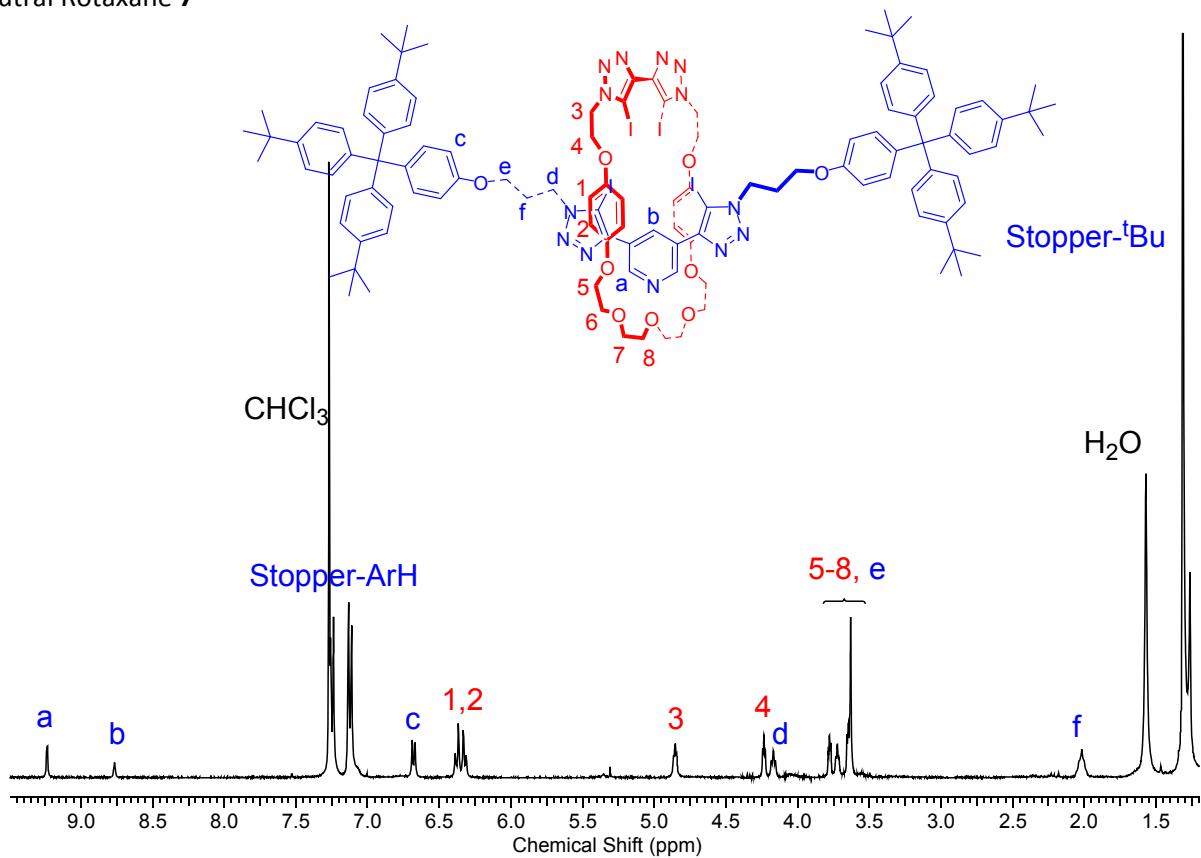


**Figure S1-5.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of [2]rotaxane **4.PF<sub>6</sub>** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K (500 MHz).

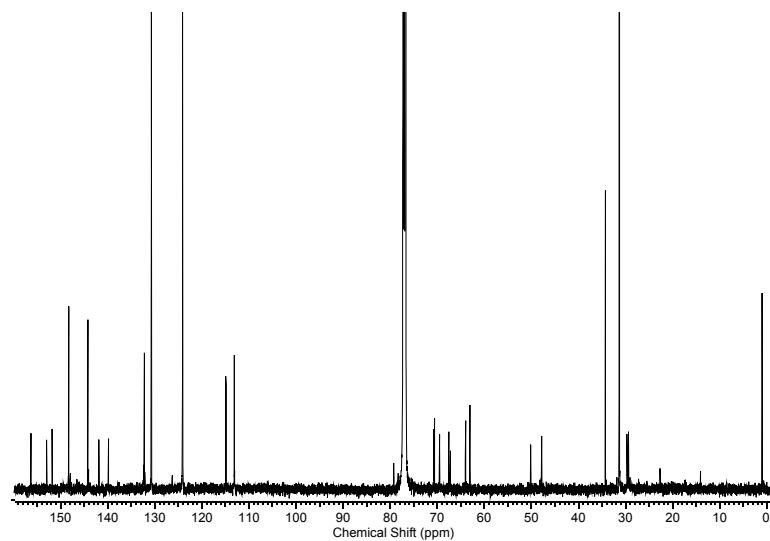


**Fig S1-6.** High-resolution mass spectrum of rotaxane **4.PF<sub>6</sub>**. Left: measured spectrum; Right: theoretical isotope model.

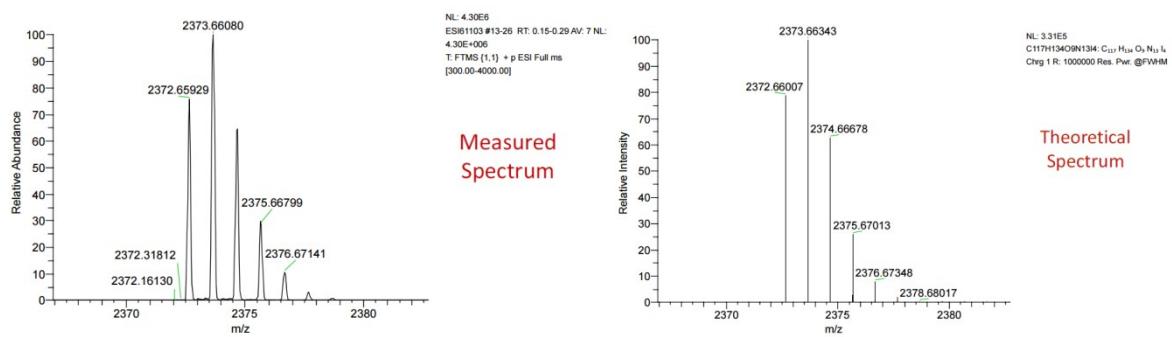
Neutral Rotaxane **7**



**Figure S1-7.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of [2]rotaxane **7** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K (500 MHz).



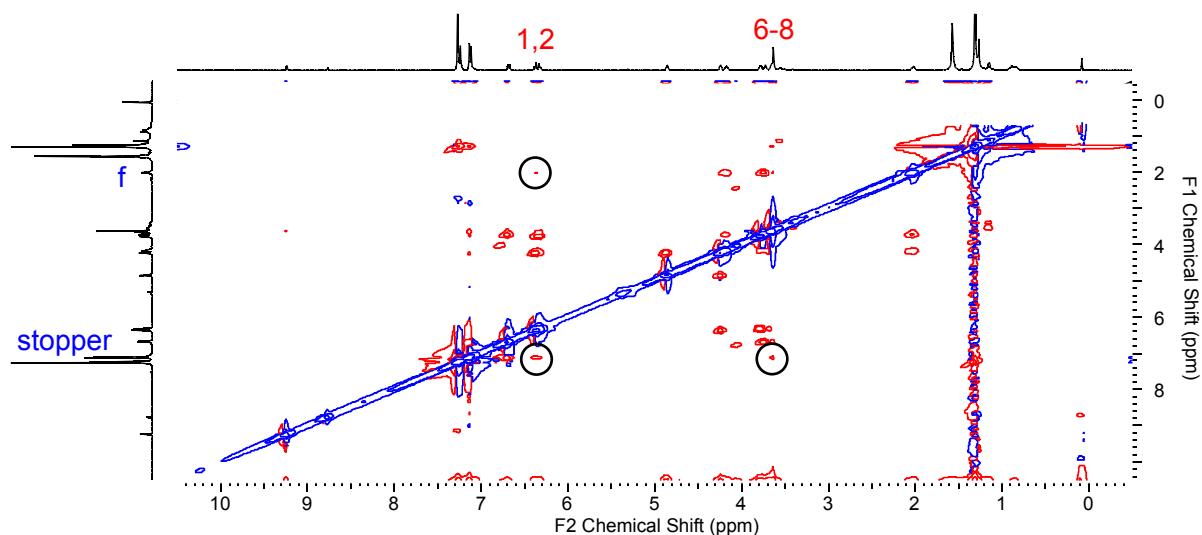
**Figure S1-8.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of [2]rotaxane **7** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K (500 MHz).



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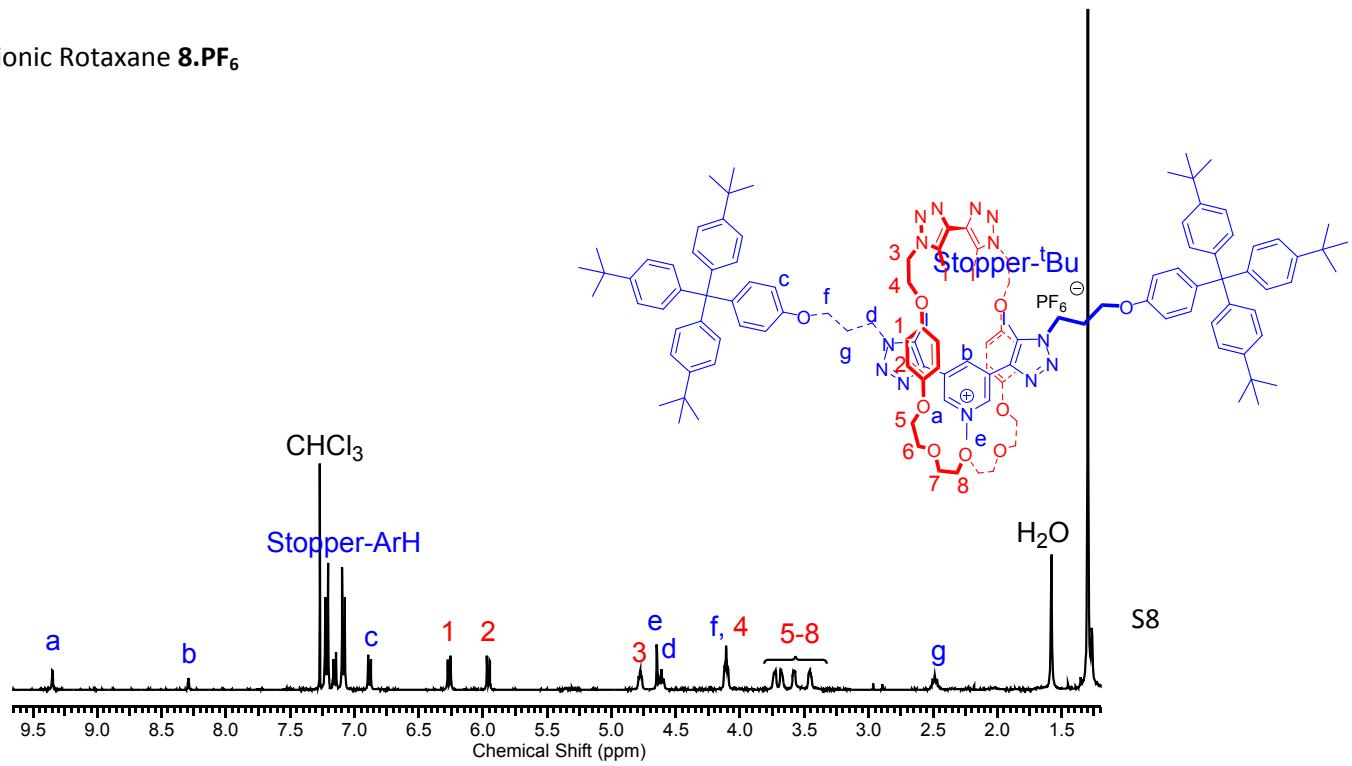
High-resolution mass spectrum of rotaxane **7**. Left: measured spectrum; Right: theoretical isotope model.

### <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H ROESY NMR

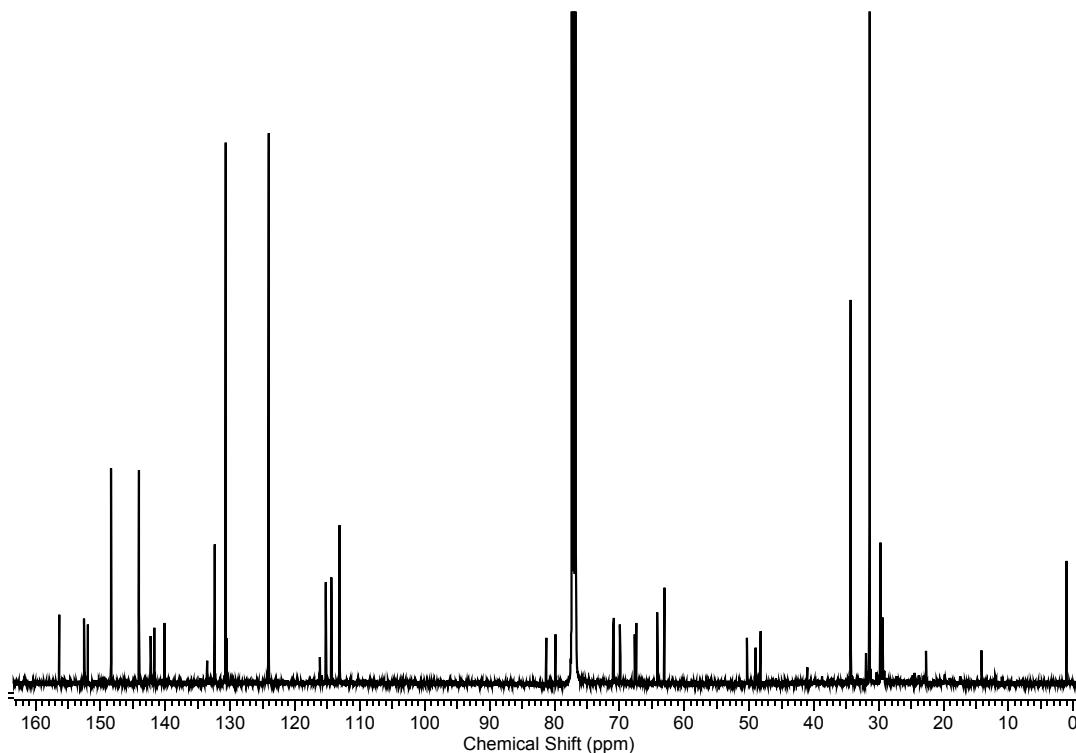


**Fig. S1-10.** <sup>1</sup>H ROESY spectrum of rotaxane **7** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 298 K (500 MHz). Cross peaks indicative of the interlocked nature of the rotaxane are circled in black.

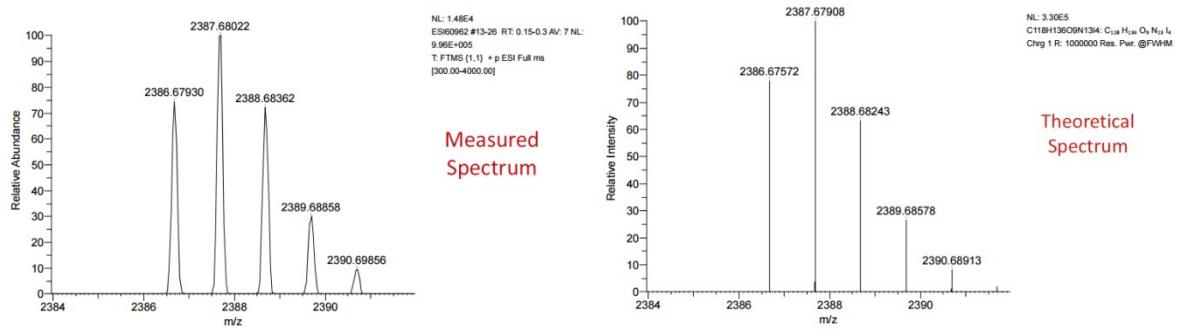
### Cationic Rotaxane **8.PF<sub>6</sub>**



**Figure S1-11.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of [2]rotaxane **8.PF**<sub>6</sub> in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K (500 MHz).

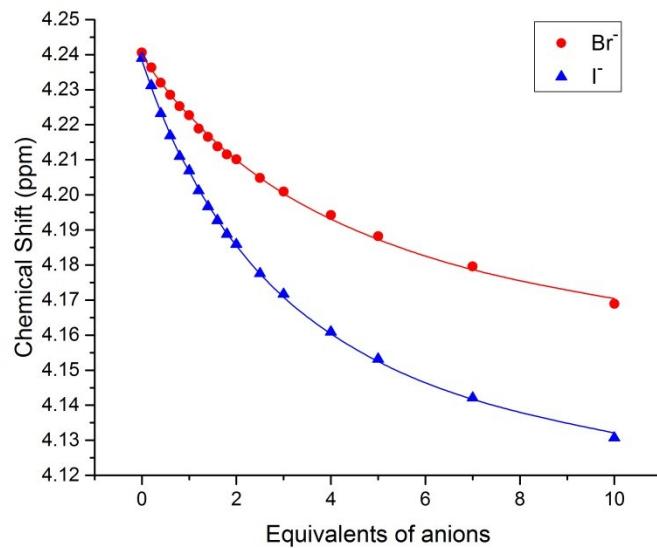


**Figure S1-12.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of [2]rotaxane **8.PF**<sub>6</sub> in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at 298 K (500 MHz).

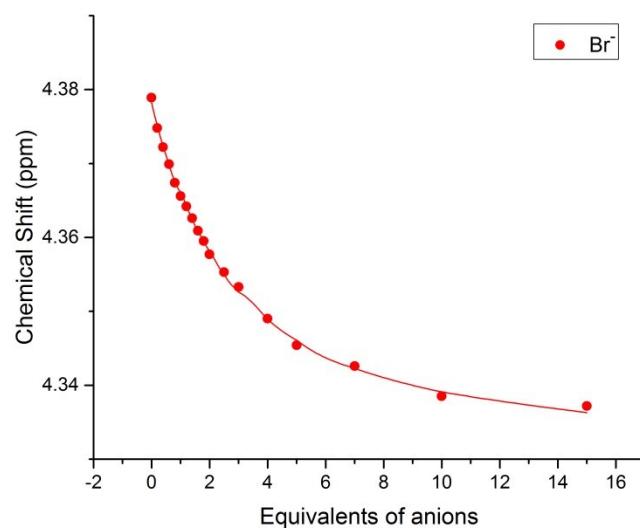


**Fig S1-13.** High-resolution mass spectrum of rotaxane **8.PF<sub>6</sub>**. Left: measured spectrum; Right: theoretical isotope model.

## 2. Anion Recognition Studies of [2]Rotaxanes by <sup>1</sup>H NMR Titrations



**Figure S2-1.** Changes in chemical shift of methyl group protons upon addition of increasing quantities of TBA salt to the NMR solution of rotaxane **3.PF<sub>6</sub>**.



**Figure S2-2.** Changes in chemical shift of methyl group protons upon addition of increasing quantities of TBA salt to the NMR solution of rotaxane **4.PF<sub>6</sub>**.