

Supporting Information

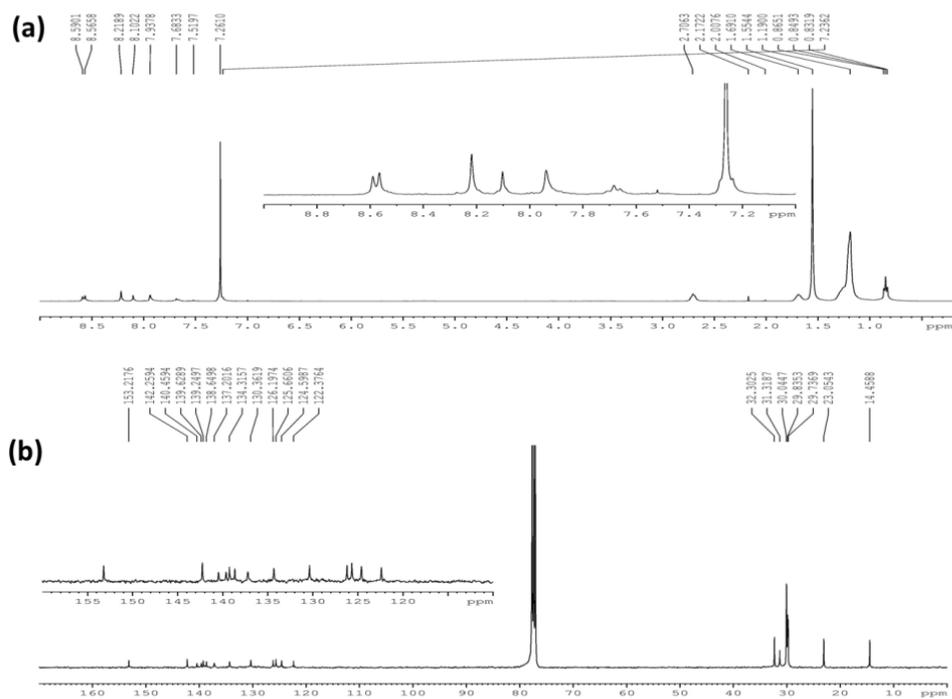
## Azulene Based Conjugated Polymers with Tuneable Near IR Absorption Up to 2.5 $\mu\text{m}$ †

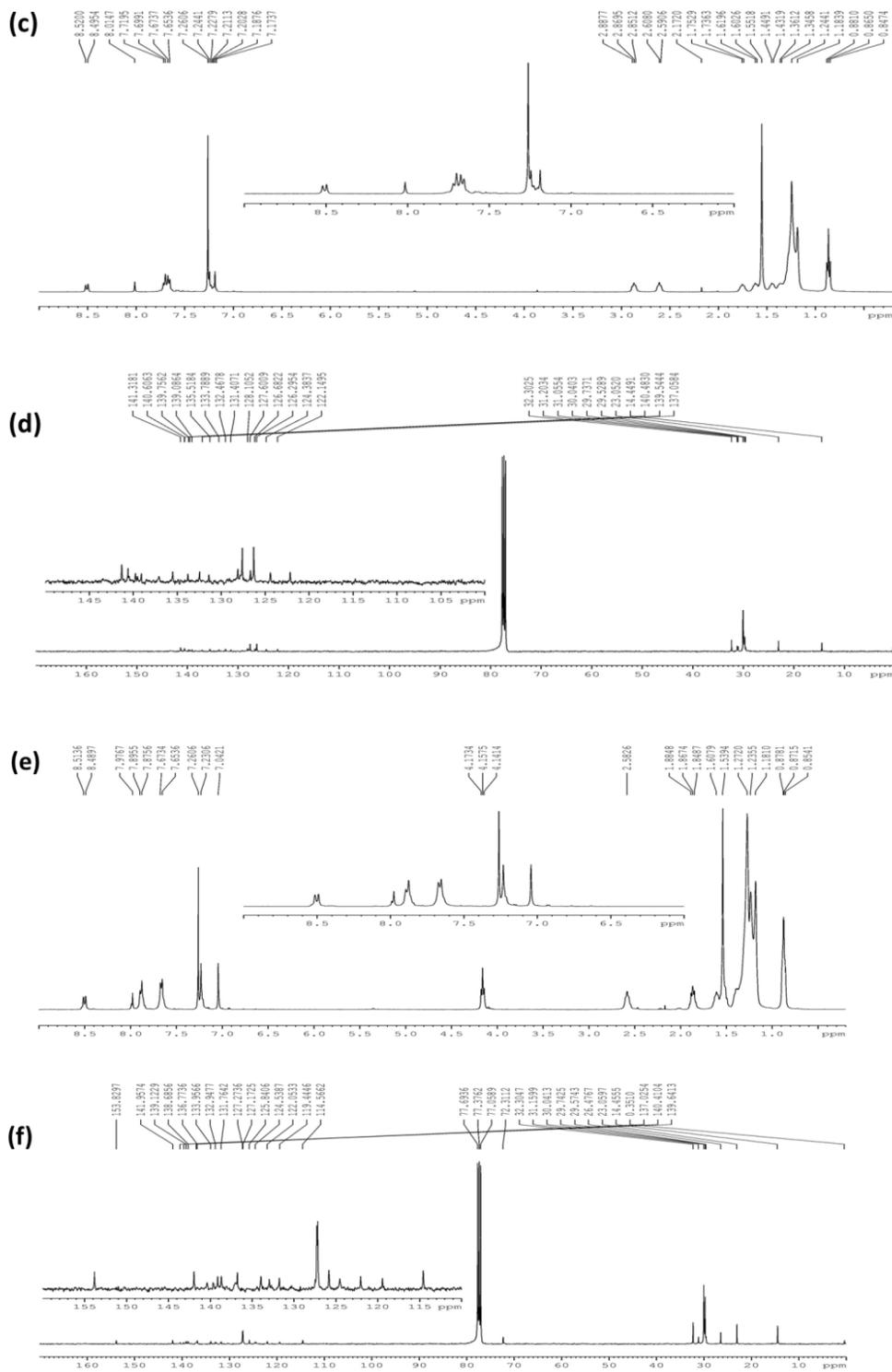
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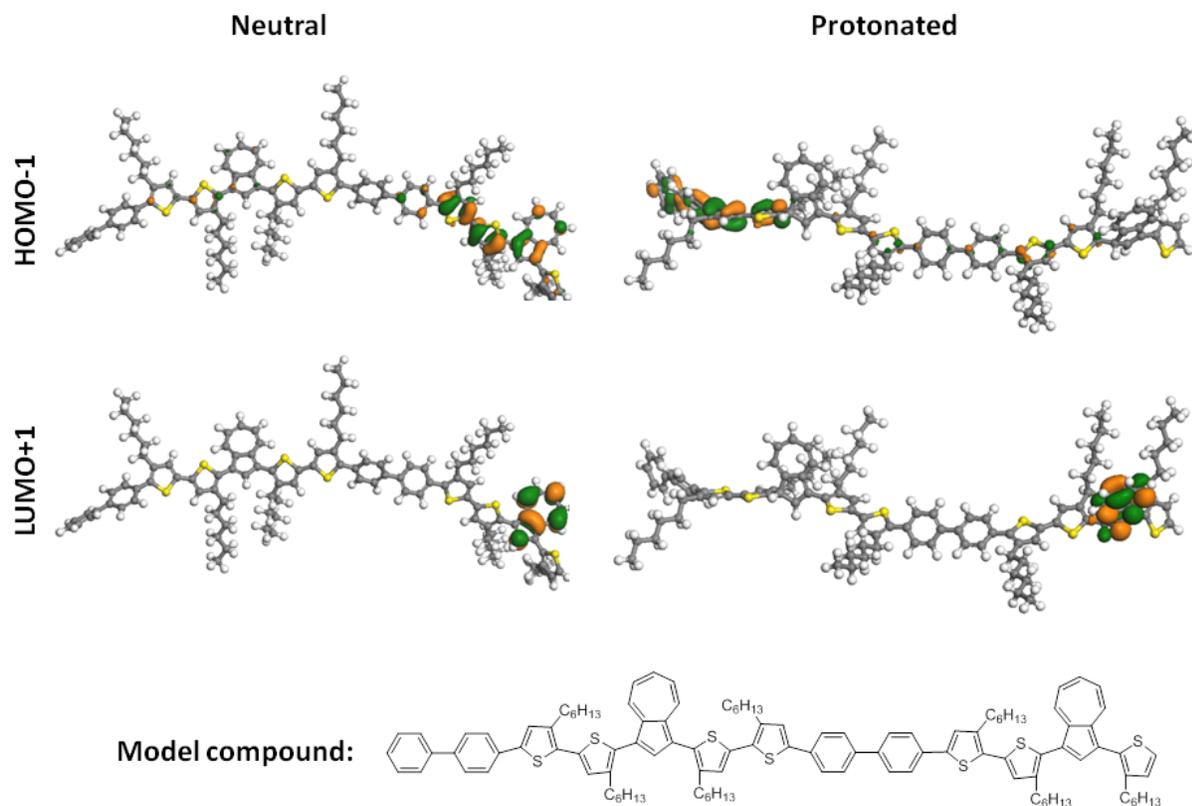
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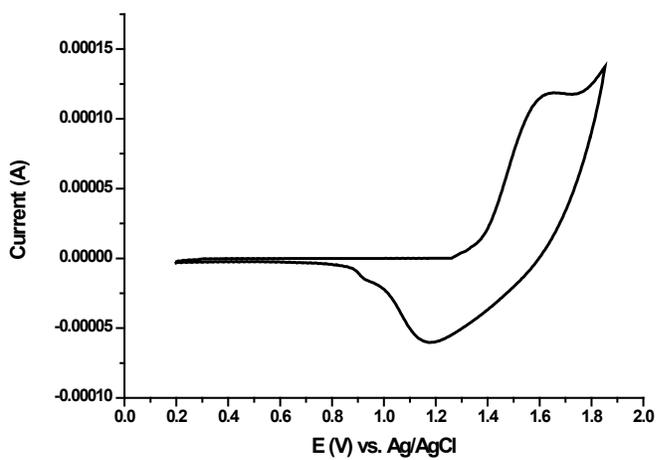
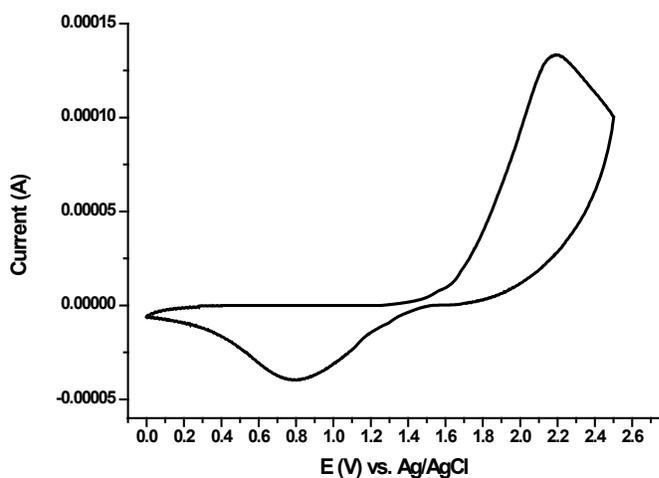
**Fig. S1** Typical NMR spectra of polymers. (a) and (b),  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  and  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of polymer **PTaz-4**; (c) and (d),  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  and  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of polymer **PTaz-2**; (e) and (f),  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  and  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of polymer **PTaz-3**.



**Fig. S2** Spatial distributions of the calculated HOMO-1 and LUMO+1 of model compound at neutral and protonated states. Bottom: chemical structure of the model compound for the polymers.

**Table S1.** Orbital energies of model compound at neutral and protonated states.

States	Total energy (Ha)	HOMO-1 (eV)	HOMO (eV)	LUMO (eV)	LUMO+1 (eV)	Energy Gap (eV)
Neutral	-7208.4968679	-4.371	-4.258	-2.953	-2.945	1.305
Protonated	-7209.2217452	-7.426	-7.419	-6.913	-6.882	0.506



**Fig. S3** CV curves of polymer polyfluorene under different concentration of TFA measured in a 0.1 M  $\text{LiClO}_4$ /acetonitrile solution: top: 0% TFA; bottom: 15% TFA.