

**Insights into two novel orthopalladated chromophores with antimicrobial activity against *Escherichia coli***

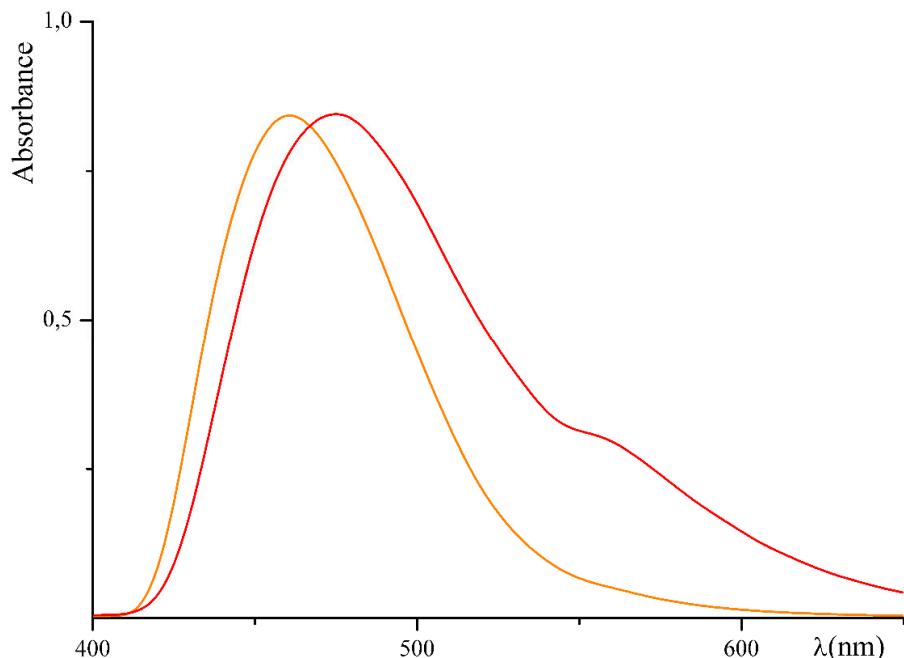
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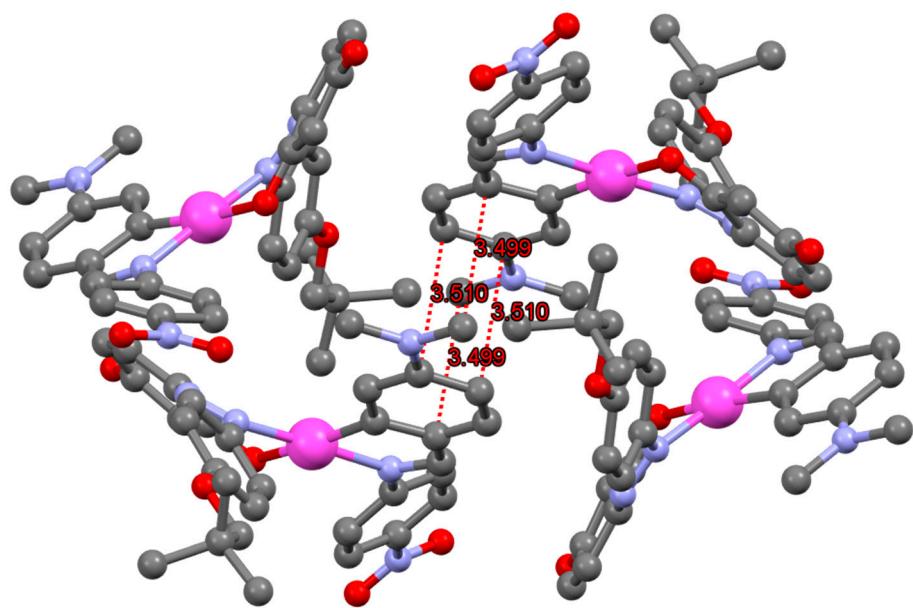
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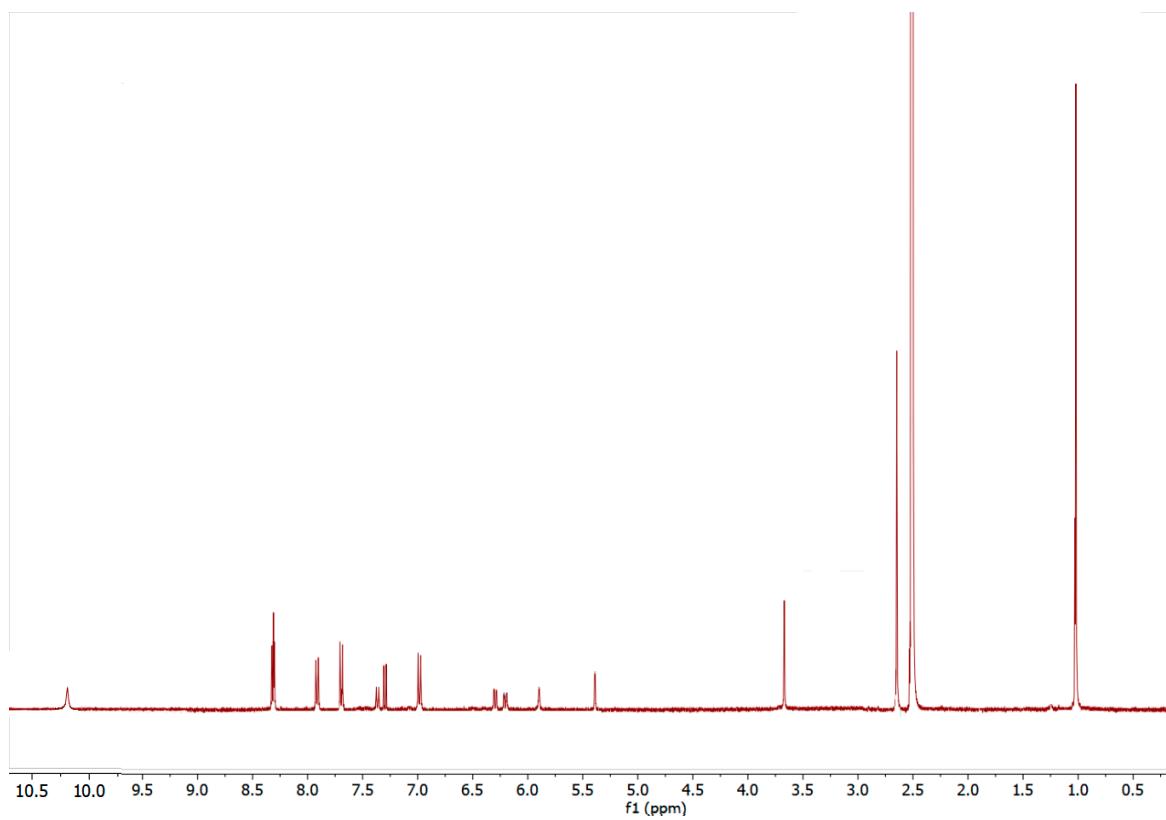
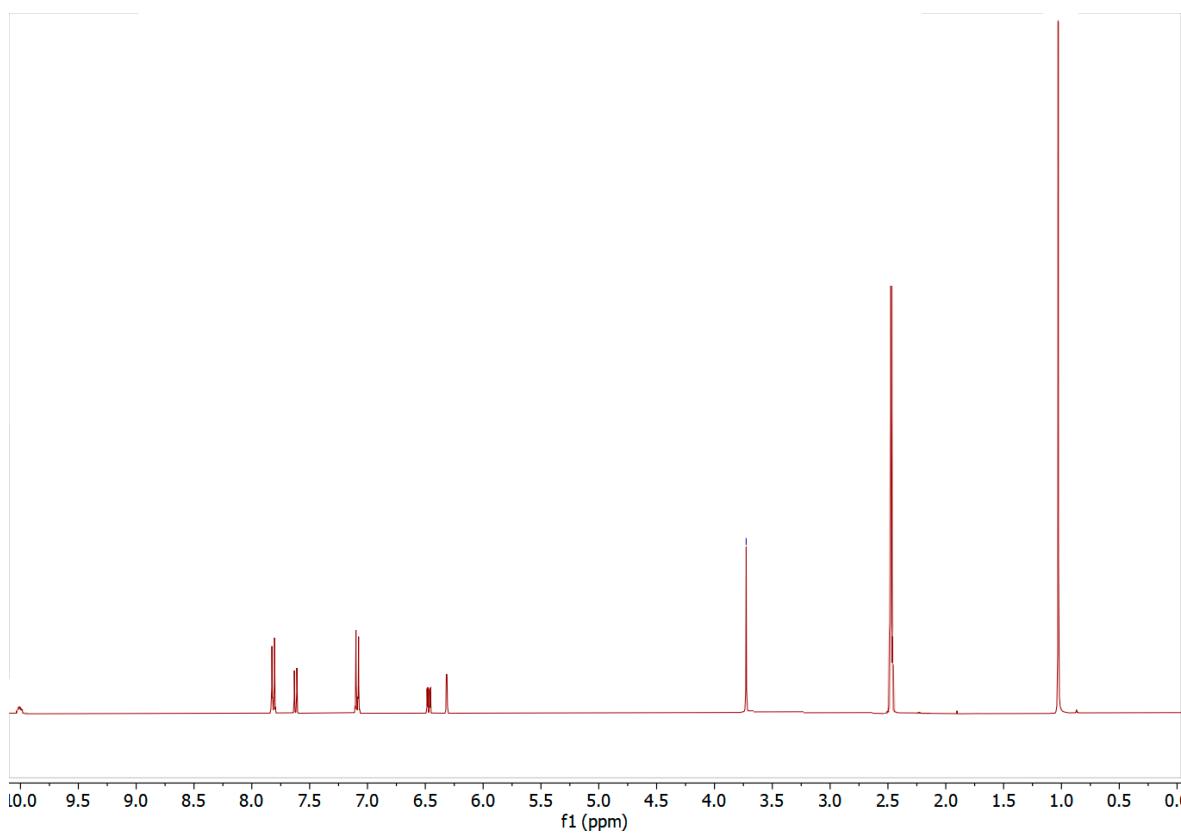
**Supplementary Material**



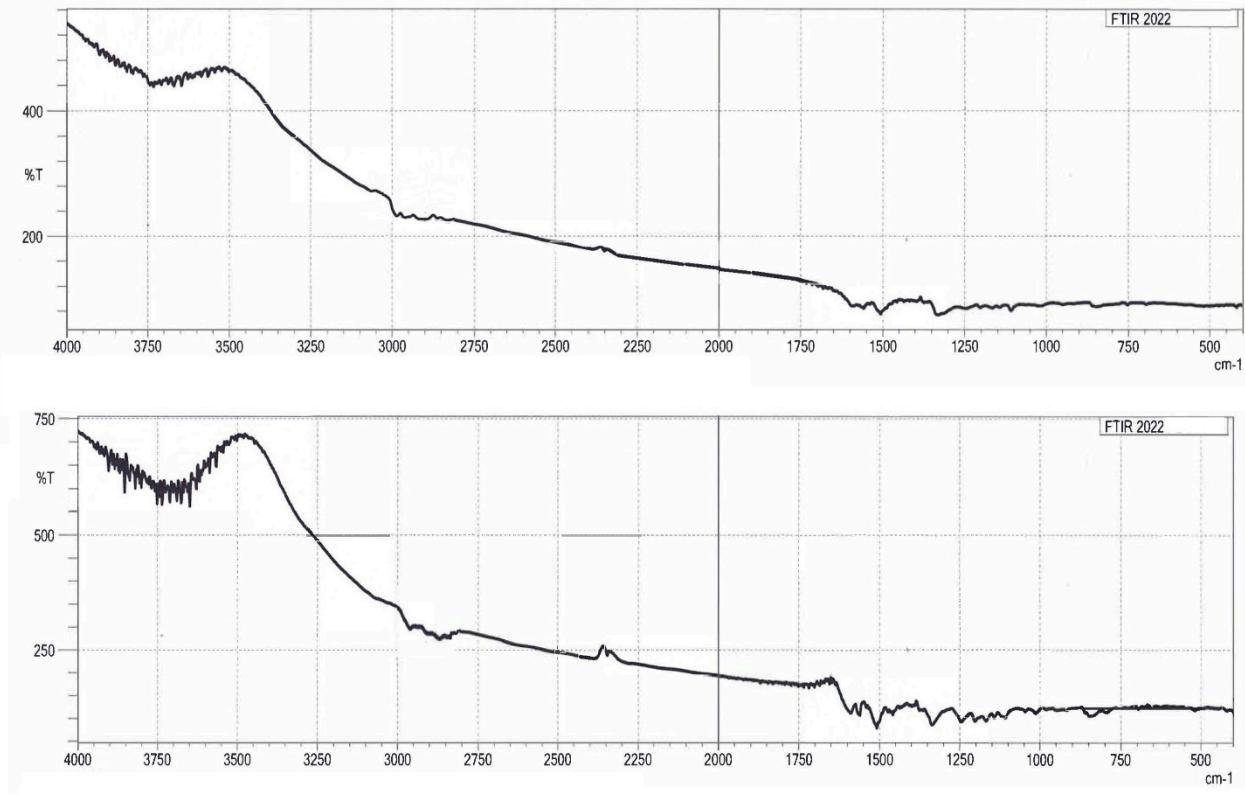
**Figure S1.** Absorbance spectra of Pd1 (red curve) and Pd2 (yellow curve) in the solid phase.



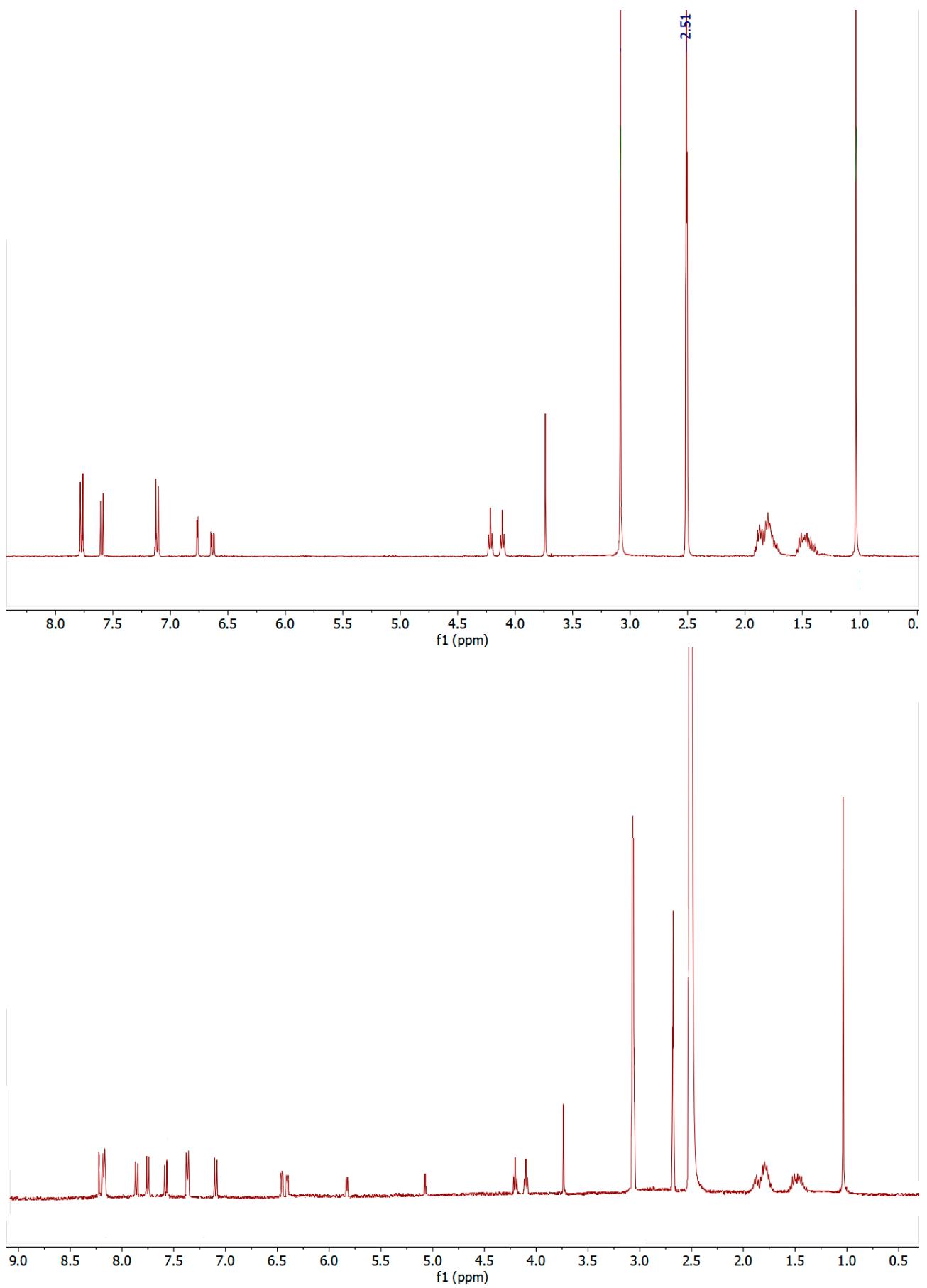
**Figure S2.** A selection of symmetric short distances -CH<sub>3</sub>--π and π--π displaced stacking interactions



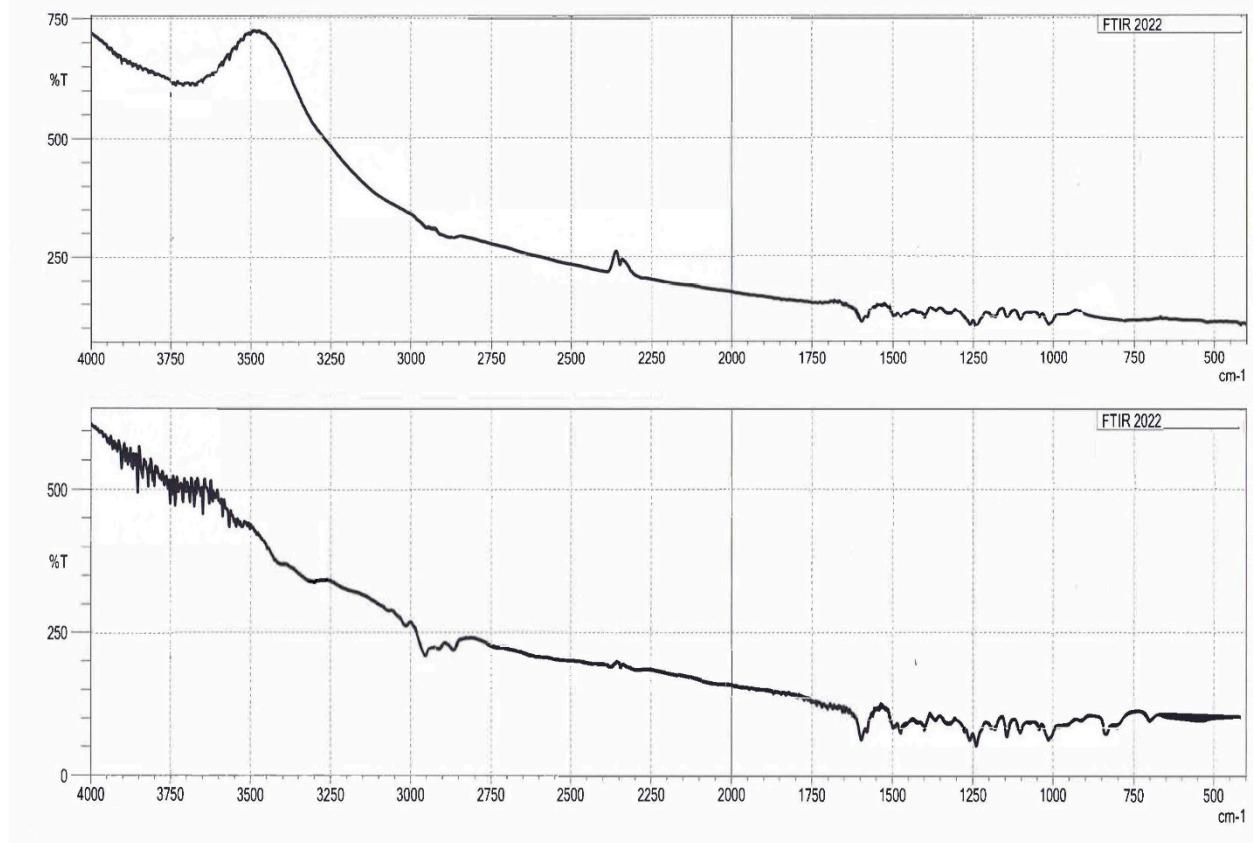
**Figure S3.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C, ppm) spectra of L1 (above) and Pd1(below)



**Figure S4.** FT-IR spectra of L1 (above) and Pd1(below) in KBr



**Figure S5.**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ , ppm) spectra of L2 (above) and Pd2(below)



**Figure S6.** FT-IR spectra of of L2 (above) and Pd2 (below) in KBr