

# **Effects of Difluorophenyl Substituents on Structural, Redox, and Magnetic Properties of Blatter Radicals**

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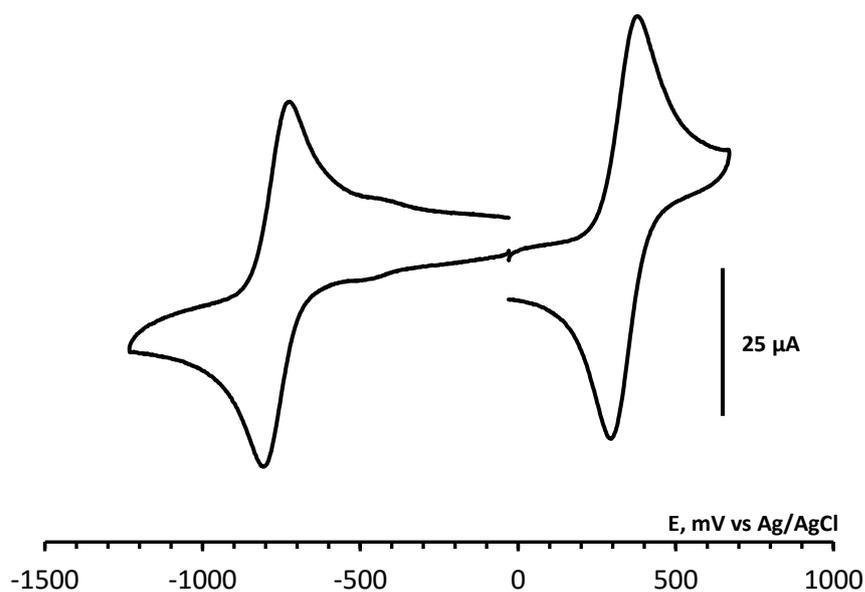
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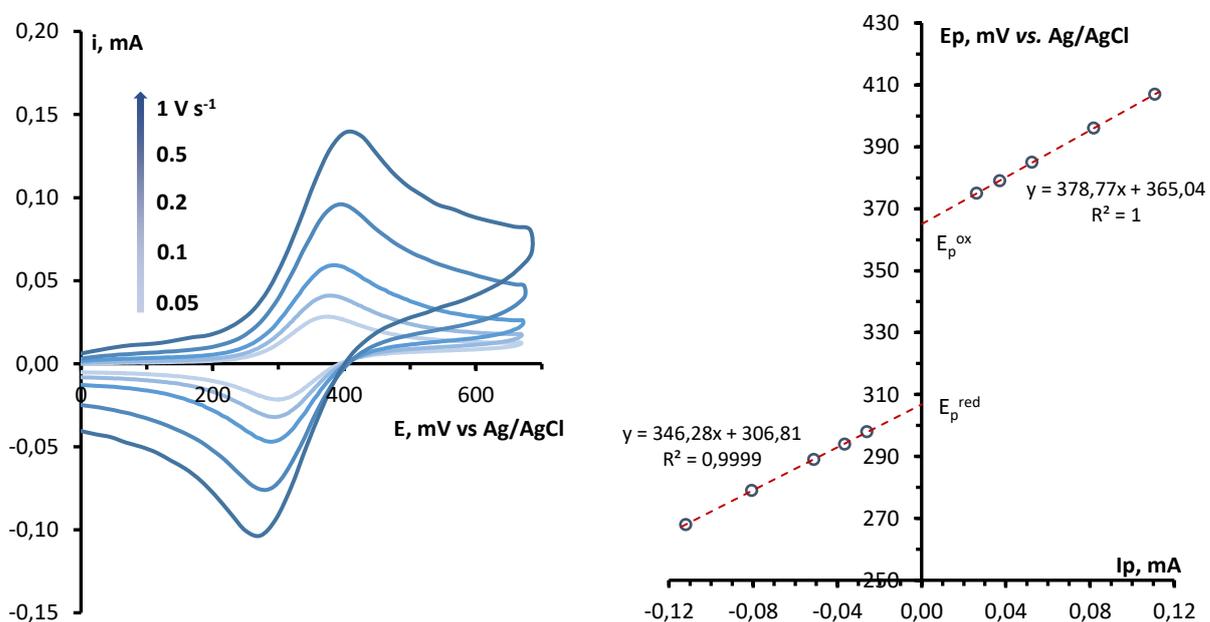
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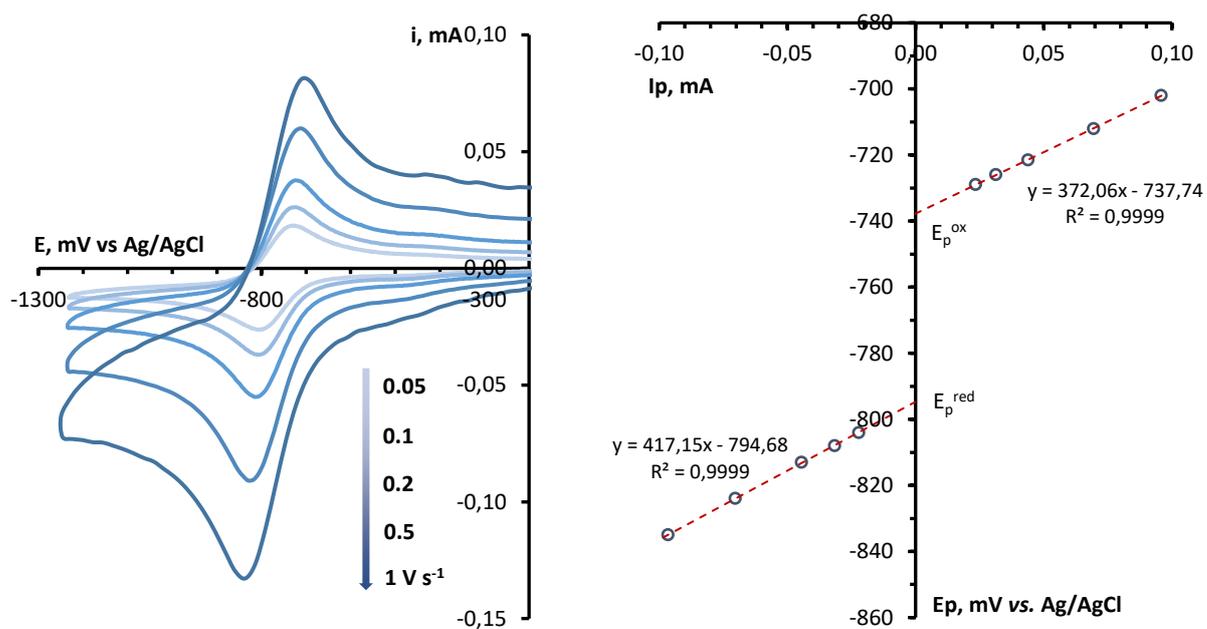
## Cyclic voltammetry



**Figure S1.** CV curves of oxidation and reduction of **1b** ( $3 \times 10^{-3}$  M) in 0.1 M  $\text{Bu}_4\text{NBF}_4/\text{MeCN}$  on a glassy carbon disk electrode at a potential sweep rate of 0.1 V/s.

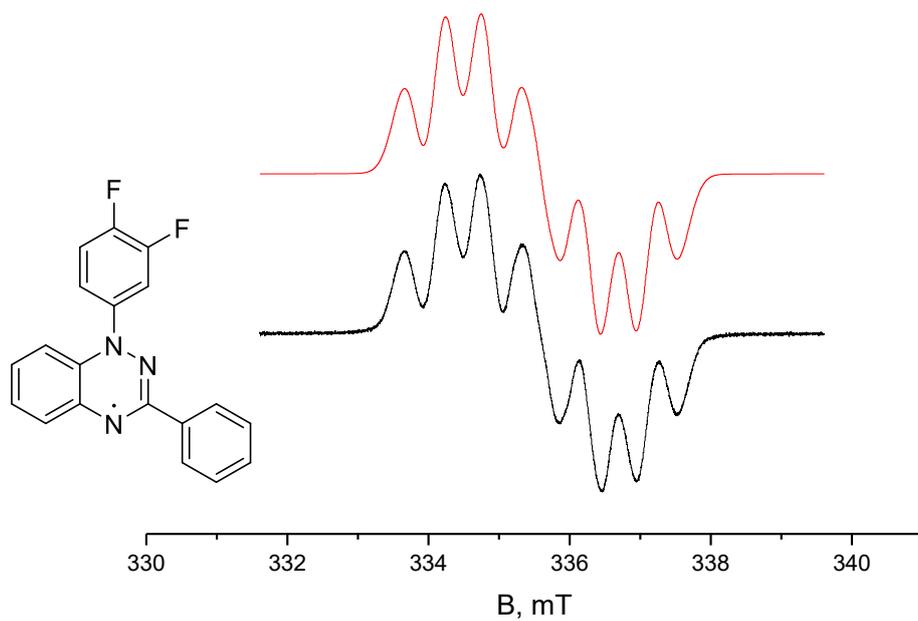


**Figure S2.** (left) CV curves of the oxidation of **1b** ( $3 \times 10^{-3}$  M) in 0.1 M  $\text{Bu}_4\text{NBF}_4/\text{MeCN}$  on a glassy carbon disk electrode at potential sweep rates of 0.05, 0.10, 0.20, 0.50, and 1.00 V/s. (right) Dependences of the potentials of the peaks of oxidation and reciprocal reduction on the current at the peak for the corresponding process.

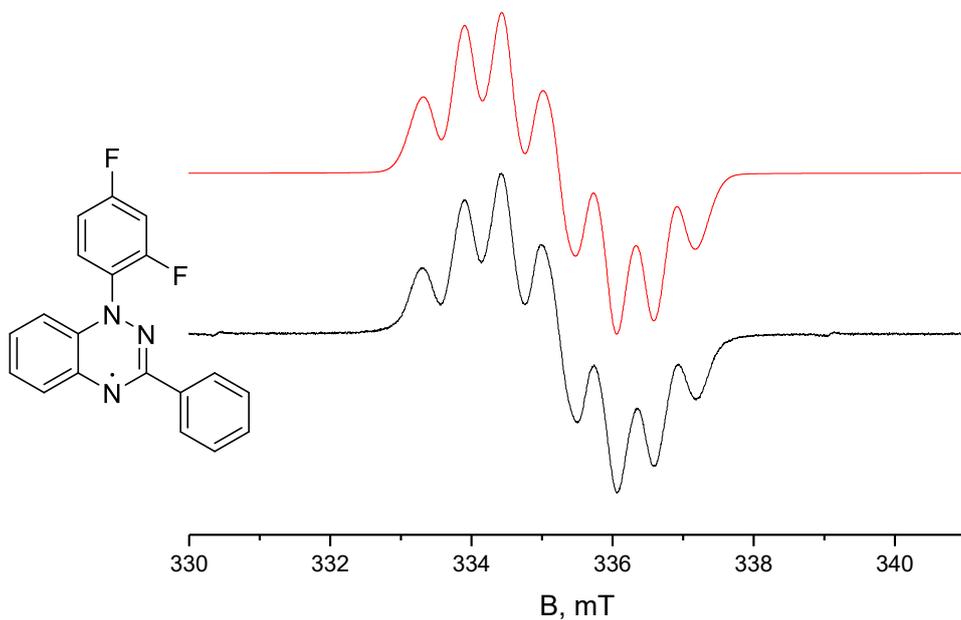


**Figure S3.** CV curves of reduction of **1b** ( $3 \times 10^{-3}$  M) in 0.1 M  $\text{Bu}_4\text{NBF}_4/\text{MeCN}$  on a glassy carbon disc electrode at potential sweep rates of 0.05, 0.10, 0.20, 0.50, and 1.00 V/s. (right) Plots of reduction and reciprocal oxidation peak potentials versus peak current for the respective process.

## CW ESR Spectroscopy

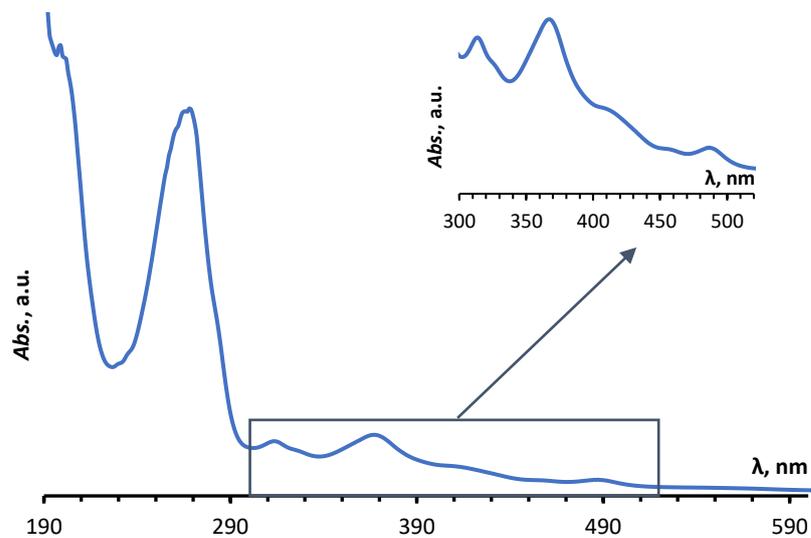


**Figure S4.** The EPR spectrum of radical **1a** (black) in toluene solution ( $\sim 10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and its modeling (red).



**Figure S5.** The EPR spectrum of radical **1b** (black) in toluene solution ( $\sim 10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and its modeling (red).

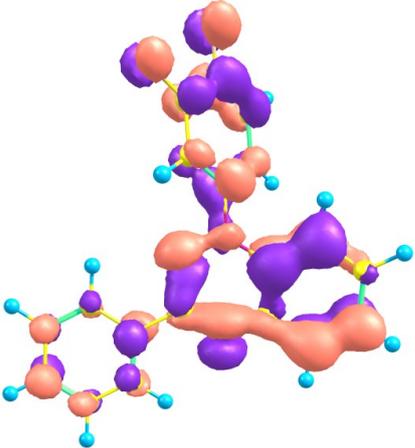
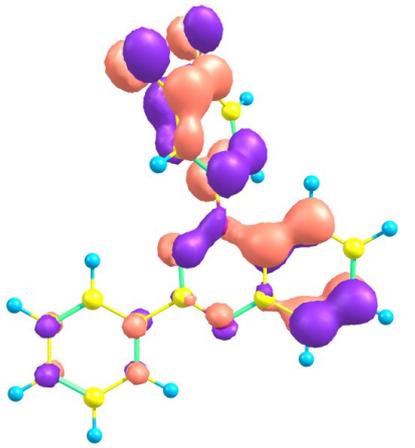
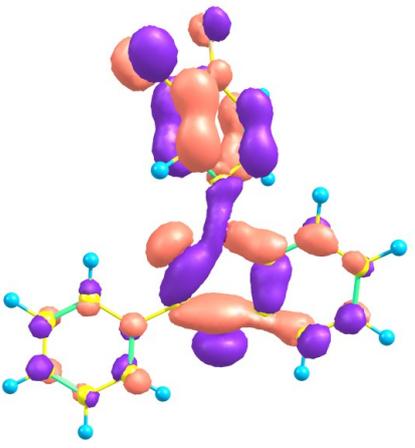
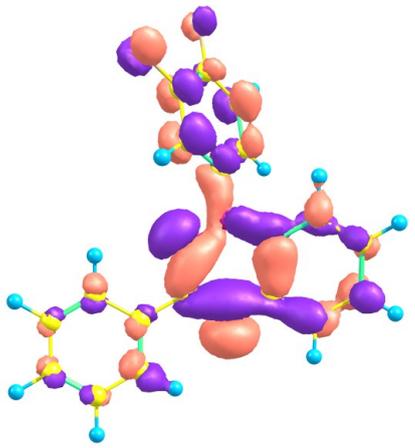
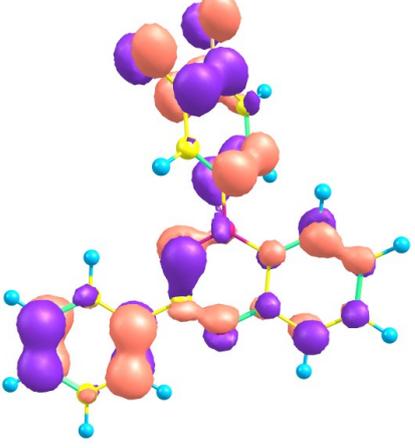
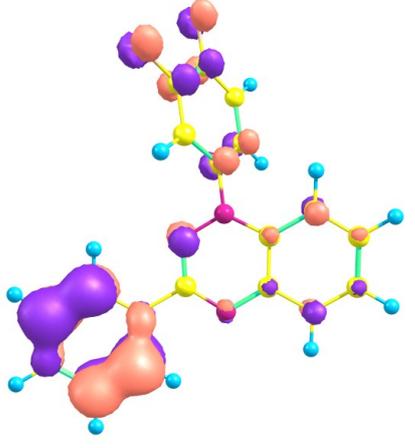
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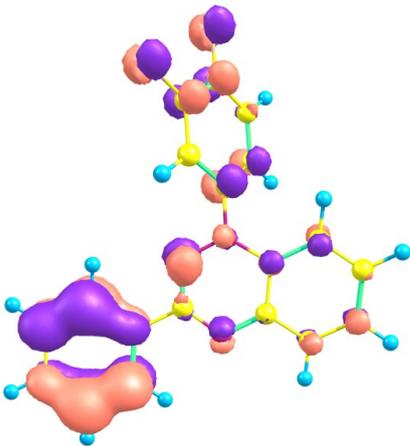
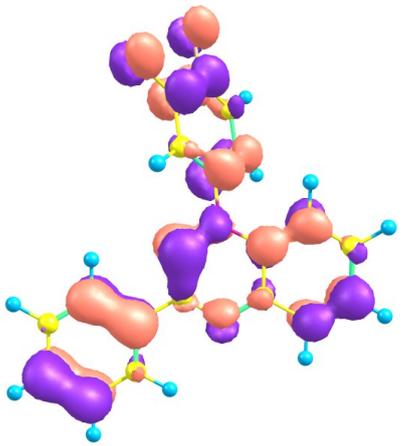
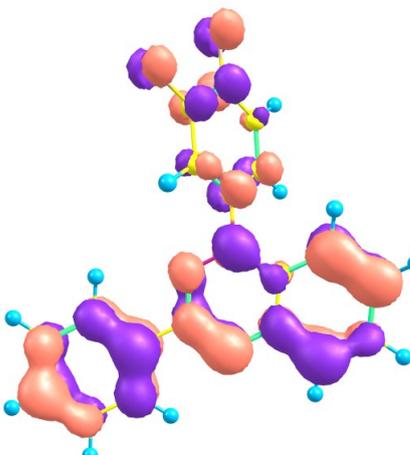
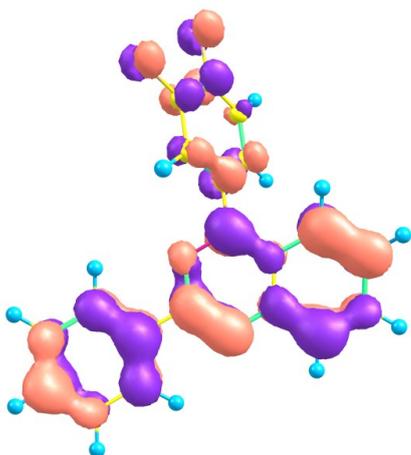
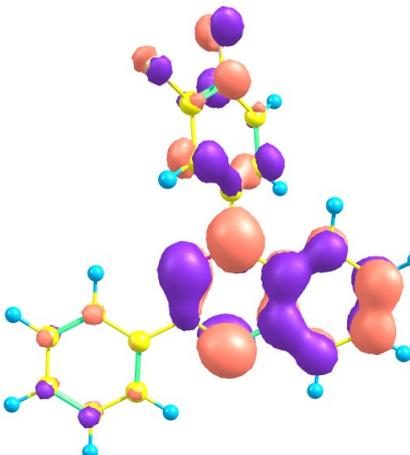
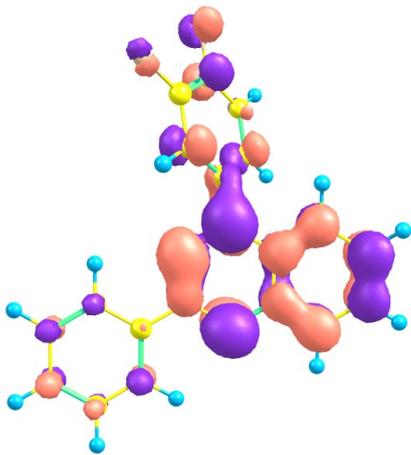
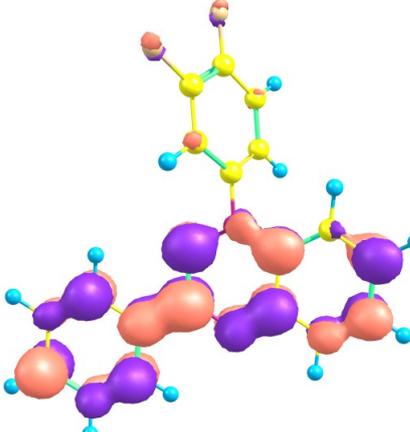


**Figure S6.** The experimental electronic absorption spectrum of an acetonitrile solution of radical **1b** ( $10^{-4}$  M) recorded at room temperature [the inset shows enlarged spectra of **1b**].

## Quantum-chemical calculations

**Table S1.** A series of higher occupied and lower unoccupied MOs of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  type and their energies for radical **1a**.

$\alpha$ type molecular orbitals (MOs)		$\beta$ type molecular orbitals (MOs)	
numbers, occupation, energies		numbers, occupation, energies	
MO-78 Occ. E= -7.42 eV		MO-78 Occ. E= -7.30 eV	
MO-79 Occ. E= -7.38 eV		MO-79 Occ. E= -7.23 eV	
MO-80 Occ. E= -7.15 eV		MO-80 Occ. E= -7.10 eV	

<p>MO-81 Occ. E= -7.06 eV</p>		<p>MO-81 Occ. E= -6.95 eV</p>	
<p>MO-82 Occ. E= -6.60 eV</p>		<p>MO-82 Occ. E= -6.33 eV</p>	
<p>MO-83 Occ. E= -4.86 eV</p>		<p>MO-83 Unocc. E= -2.87 eV</p>	
<p>MO-84 Unocc. E= -1.71 eV</p>		<p>MO-84 Unocc. E= -1.57 eV</p>	