

## Supplementary Material

### **Bismuth(III) Thiophosphinates: Understanding How Small Atomic Change Influences Antibacterial Activity and Mammalian Cell Viability**

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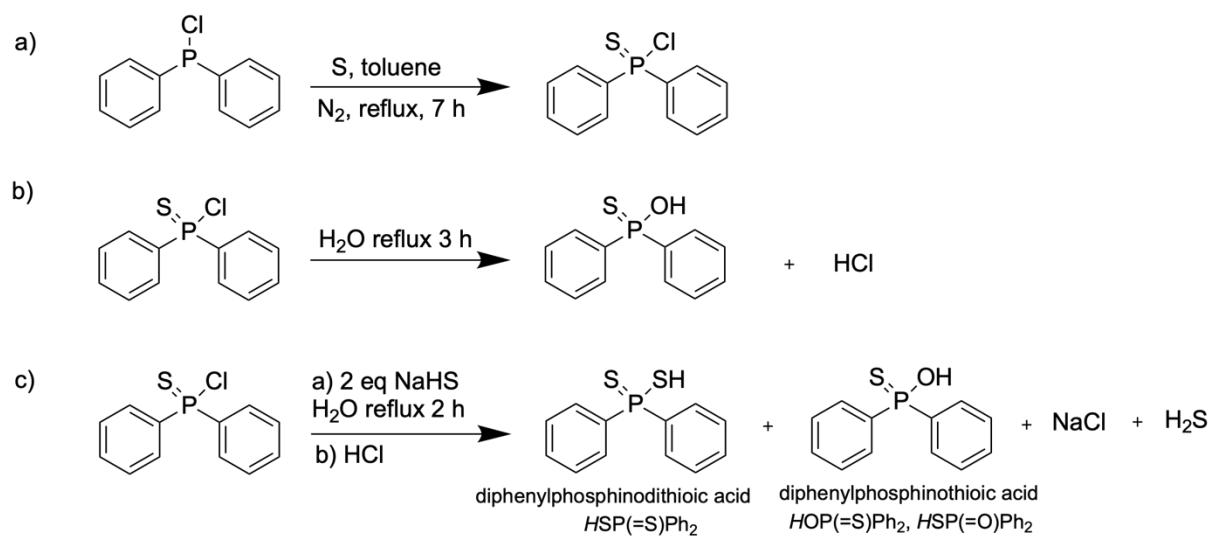
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**Scheme S1.** Synthesis of diphenylphosphinothioic acid,  $HOP(=S)Ph_2/HSP(=O)Ph_2$  and diphenylphosphinodithioic acid,  $HSP(=S)Ph_2$ .

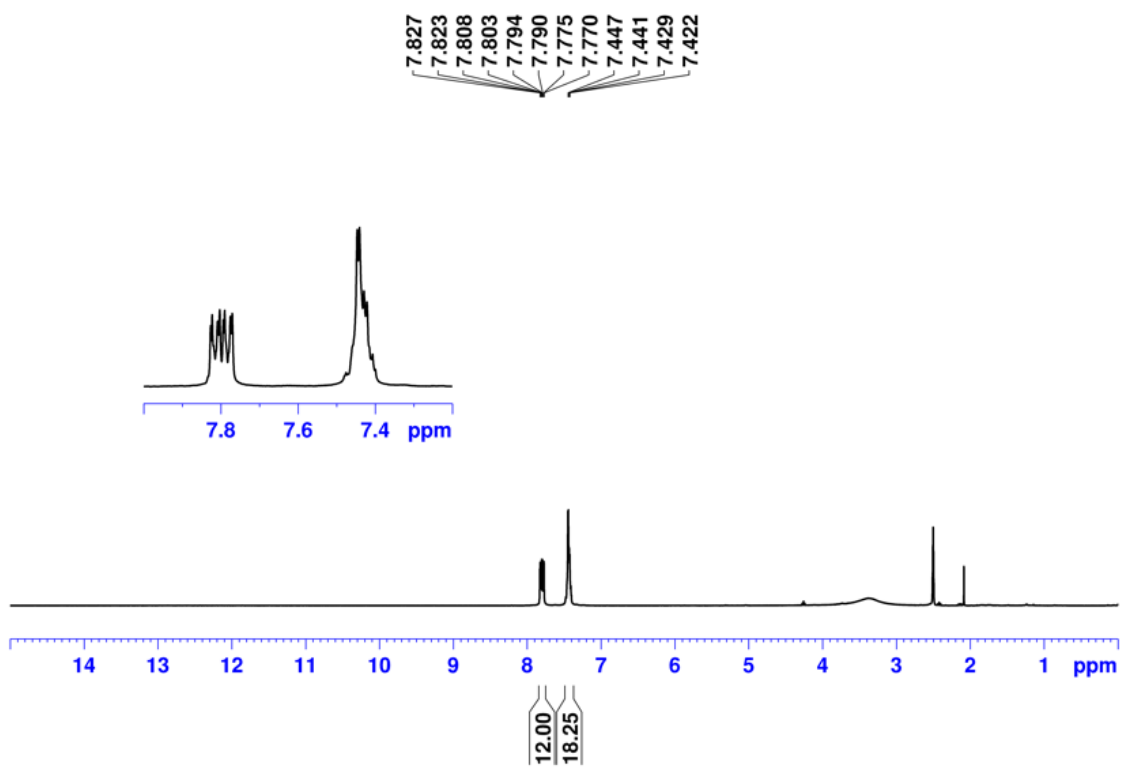


Fig. S1.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of  $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)_3]$  (1) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .

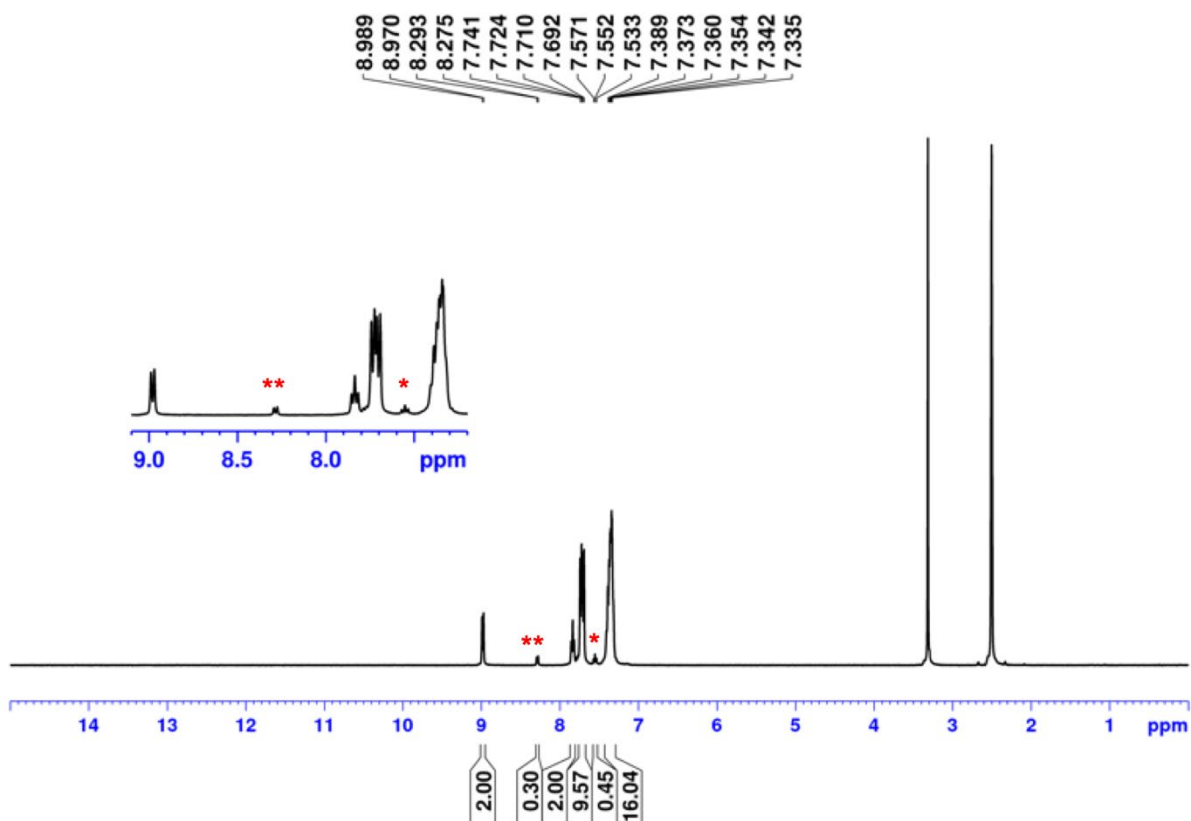


Fig. S2.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of  $[\text{BiPh}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)_2]$ , (2) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ . \*\*ortho and \*meta Bi-Ph protons from complex 3.

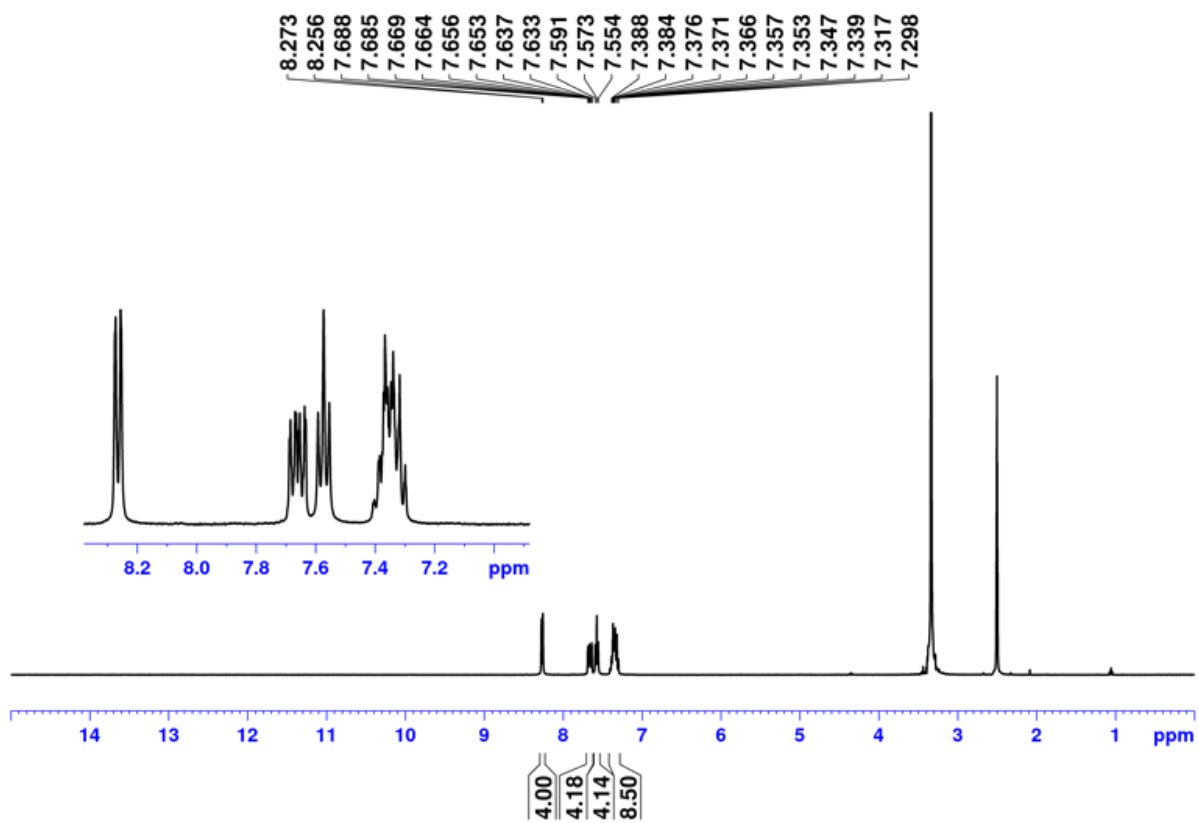


Fig. S3.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of  $[\text{BiPh}_2(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)]$  (**3**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .

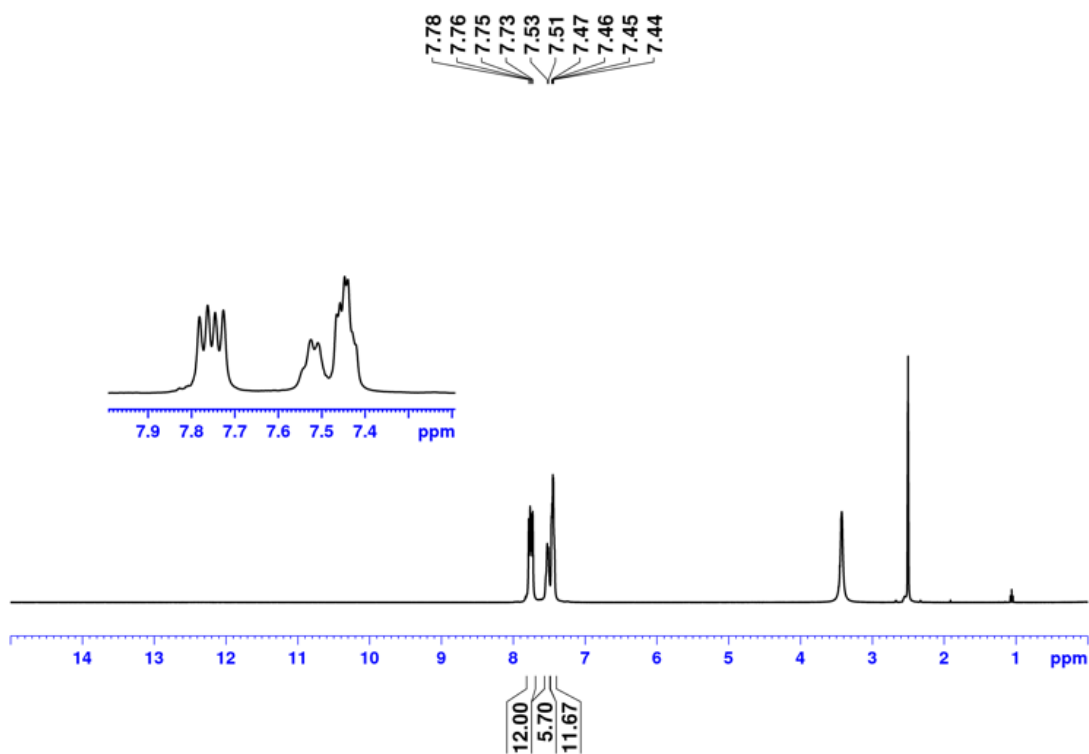
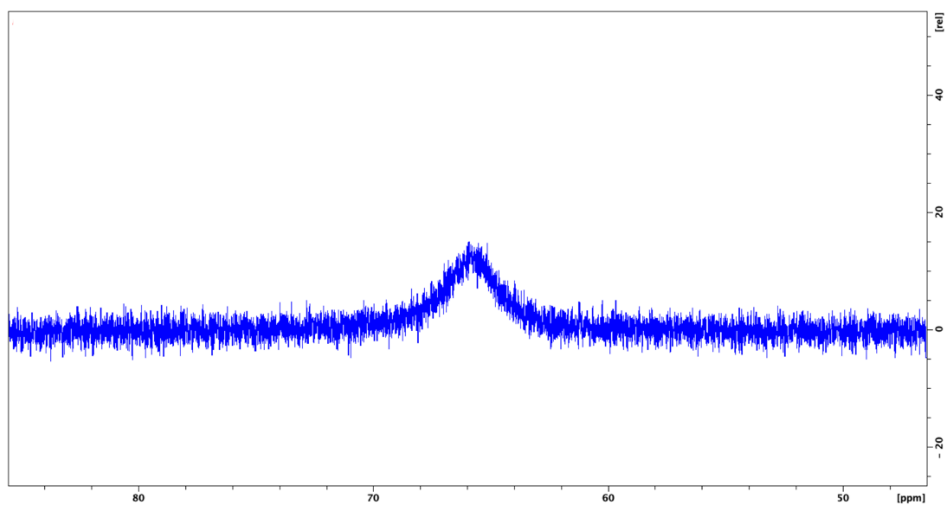
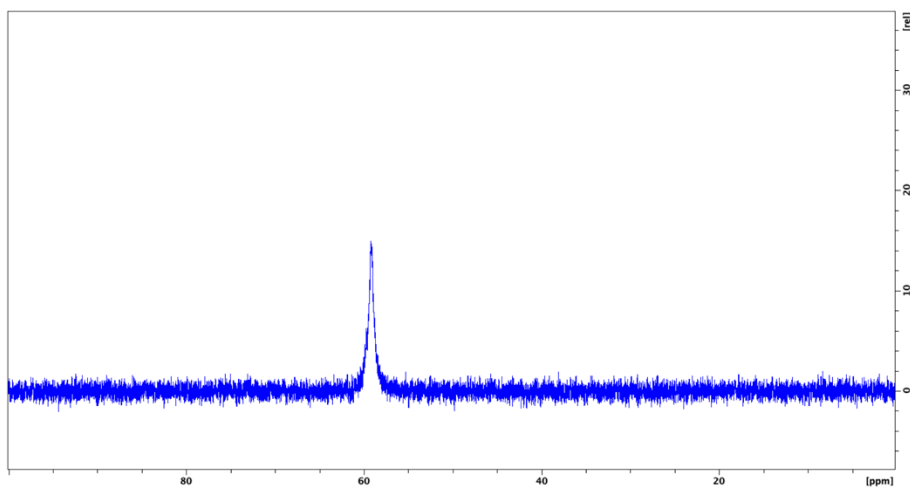


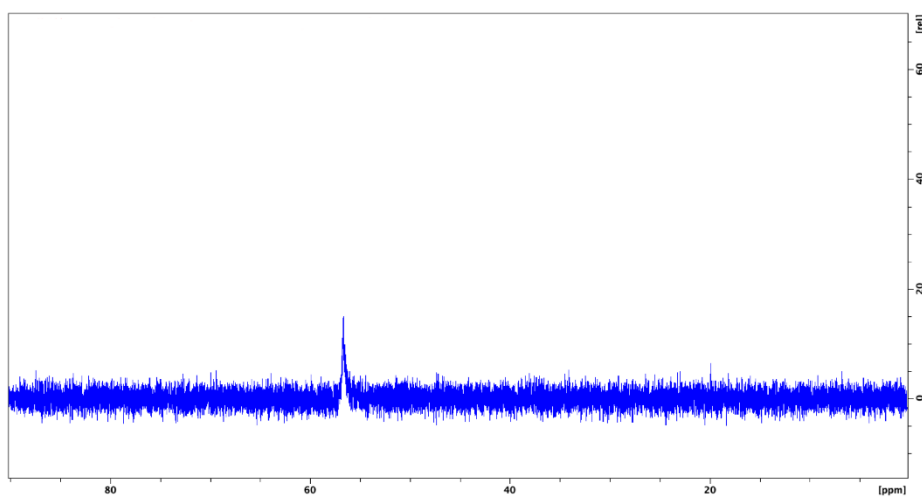
Fig. S4.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of  $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2)_3]$  (**4**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .



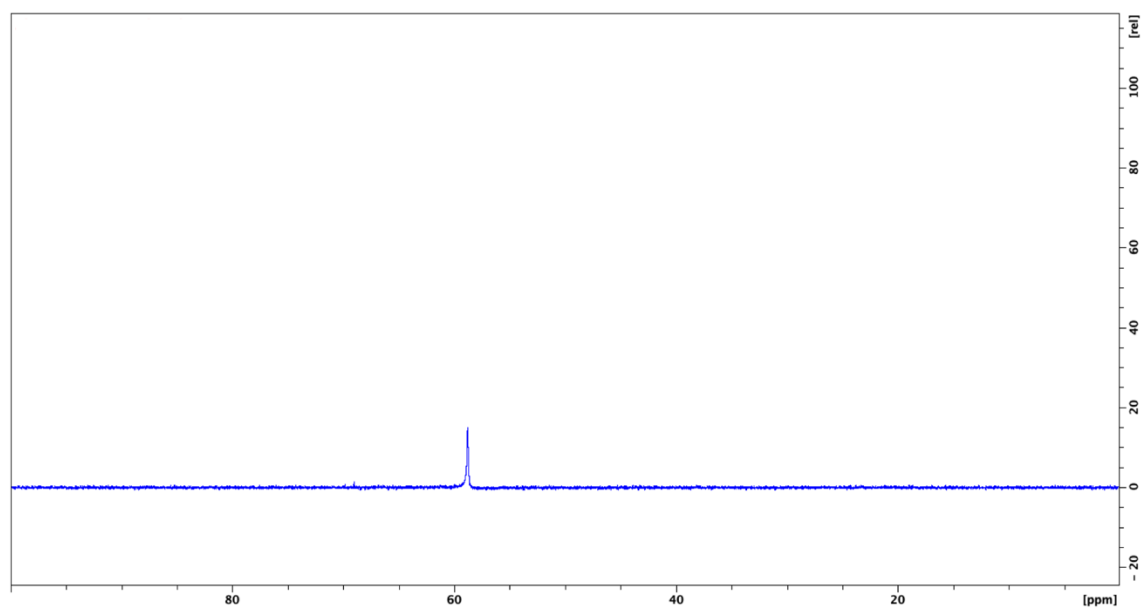
**Fig. S5.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of  $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)_3]$  (**1**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .



**Fig. S6.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of  $[\text{BiPh}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)_2]$  (**2**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .



**Fig. S7.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of  $[\text{BiPh}_2(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)]$  (**3**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .



**Fig. S8.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of  $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2)_3 \cdot \text{DMSO}]$  (**4**) in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ .

**Table S1.** Crystallographic data and structure refinement for complexes **2**, **3** and **4**. CCDC numbers 1947001-1947003.

	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4·DMSO</b>
Formula	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>25</sub> BiO <sub>2</sub> P <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>20</sub> BiOPS	C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>36</sub> BiOP <sub>3</sub> S <sub>7</sub>
<i>M<sub>r</sub></i>	752.54	596.41	1034.98
Crystal size [mm]	0.23 x 0.16 x 0.09	0.21 x 0.17 x 0.10	0.24 x 0.16 x 0.10
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>/n</i>	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>/n</i>
<i>a</i> [Å]	10.7908(4)	9.6557(4)	9.29900(10)
<i>b</i> [Å]	11.0293(4)	10.5962(4)	21.7360(2)
<i>c</i> [Å]	23.3960(6)	21.2320(9)	20.4159(2)
$\alpha$ [°]	90	90	90
$\beta$ [°]	94.434(2)	93.243(3)	100.7700(10)
$\gamma$ [°]	90	90	90
<i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	2776.14(16)	2168.85(15)	4053.84(7)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4
<i>T</i> [K]	123(2)	123(2)	123(2)
$\rho_{\text{calcd.}}$ [g cm <sup>-3</sup> ]	1.801	1.827	1.696
$\mu$ [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]	15.175	8.311	13.269
Independent reflections collected	5740	6685	8349
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.1301	0.0548	0.0473
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0587	0.0261	0.0281
<i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.1611	0.0486	0.0733
GoF	1.015	1.009	1.095

### PXRD Study

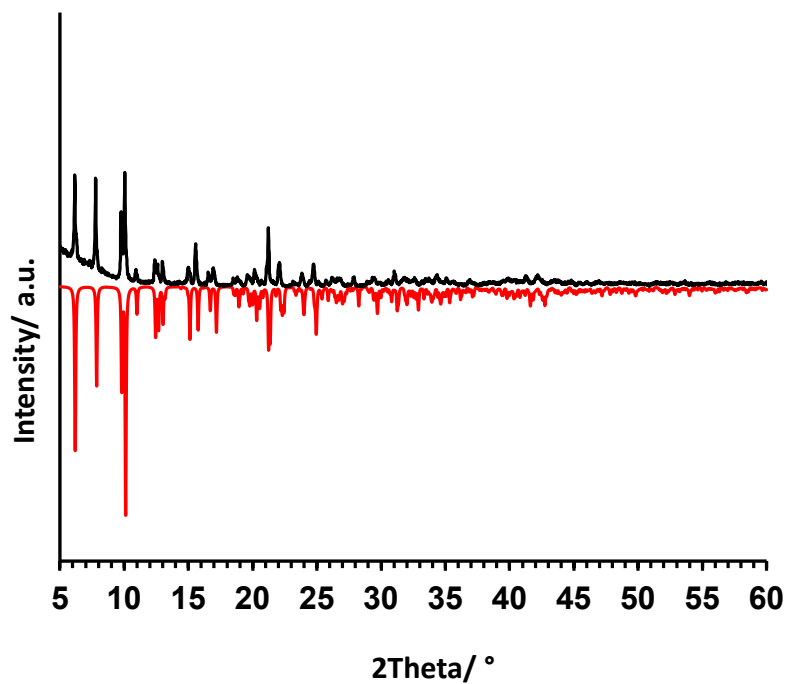


Fig. S9. Comparison of the powder X-ray diffraction pattern of bulk crystalline product (black, top) and the calculated pattern from the single crystal X-ray diffraction studies (red, bottom) of  $[\text{BiPh}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)]$  (**2**).

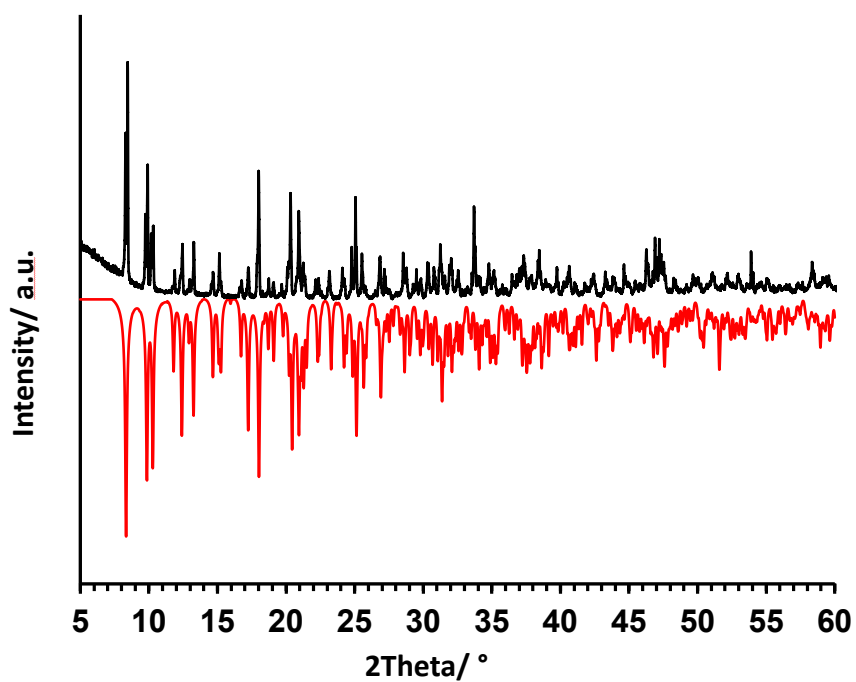


Fig. S10. Comparison of the powder X-ray diffraction pattern of bulk crystalline product (black, top) and the calculated pattern from the single crystal X-ray diffraction studies (red, bottom) of  $[\text{BiPh}_2(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)]$  (**3**).



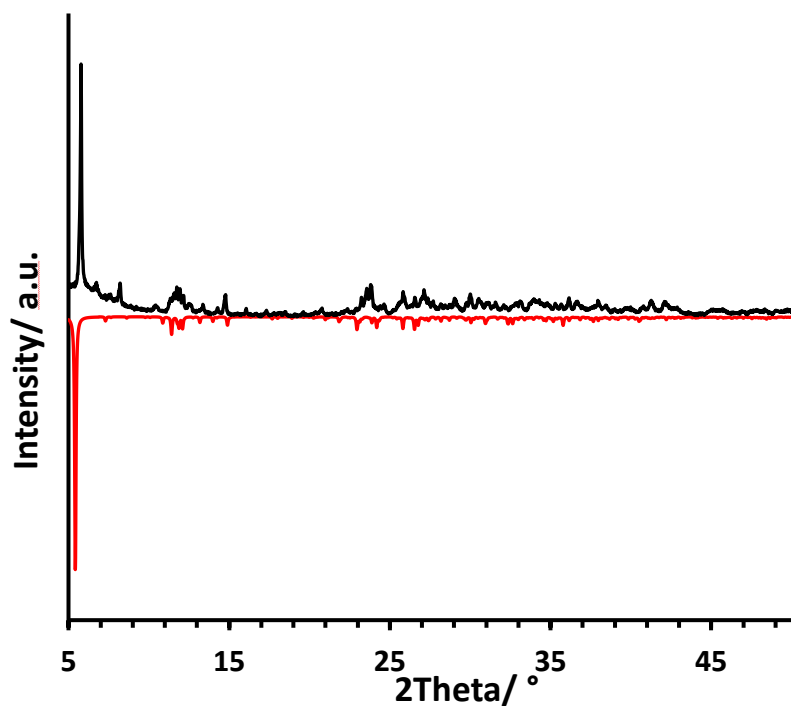


Fig. S11. Comparison of the powder X-ray diffraction pattern of bulk crystalline product (black, top) and the calculated pattern from the single crystal X-ray diffraction studies (red, bottom) of  $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2)_3 \cdot \text{DMSO}]$  (**4**).

Table S2: Selectivity indices of compounds **1** – **4**, where  $\text{SI} = \text{IC}_{50} / \text{MIC}$ .  $\text{IC}_{50}$  of complexes against human fibroblast cells.

Compound	<i>MRSA</i>	<i>VRE</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>
<b>1</b> $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)_3]$	/	/	/	/
<b>2</b> $[\text{BiPh}(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)_2]$	9.2	9.2	2.3	1.1
<b>3</b> $[\text{BiPh}_2(\text{SP}(=\text{O})\text{Ph}_2)]$	2.5	2.5	1.3	0.30
<b>4</b> $[\text{Bi}(\text{SP}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2)_3]$	0.49	0.49	/	/