

## Retraction

After the online publication of this Communication (March 30, 2007), it has been brought to the authors' attention that the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the assumed azepinoazepine synthesized are essentially identical to those of the viologen structure. <sup>[1]</sup> H NMR spectra also support this finding, although they were measured in different solvents and at different field strengths. <sup>[2]</sup> The authors therefore retract this Communication and apologize for any inconvenience.

Ring Expansion of a 4,4'-Bipyridyl Derivative into  $\pi$ -Conjugated Azepinoazepines

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