

Supplementary Material

LiO^tBu-promoted Intramolecular 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition of the 2'-Alkynyl-biaryl-2-aldehyde *N*-tosylhydrazones Approach to 3-Substituted 1*H*-Dibenzo[*e,g*]indazoles

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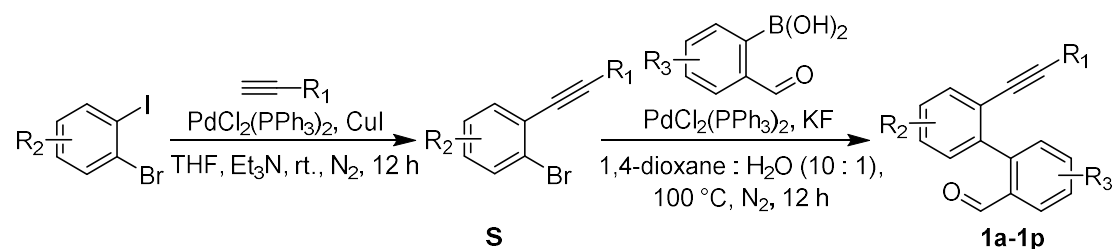
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A. Experimental procedures and characterization data

B-1. Preparation of 2'-alkynyl-biaryl-2-aldehydes 1a-p

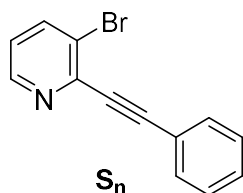


General procedures for the preparation of 2'-cyano-biaryl-2-aldehyde 1a-p:

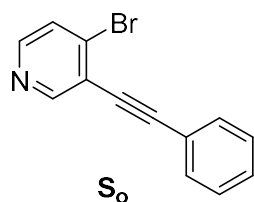
(1) A THF (5.0 mL) and Et₃N (5.0 mL) solution containing 1-bromo-2-iodobenzenes (2.0 mmol), CuI (5.0 mol%, 19.0mg, 0.1 mmol) and PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (5.0 mol%, 70.2 mg, 0.1 mmol) in a 25 mL screw-capped thick-walled Pyrex tube with stirring under N₂ was dropwise added terminal alkynes (2.4 mmol) at room temperature over 5 minutes. The obtained mixture was then stirred at room temperature under N₂ for 12 h. After the reaction was completed (TLC monitoring, eluent pure petroleum ether), the reaction mixture was filtrated through a short pad of celite. The solution was then concentrated under reduced pressure to remove the volatiles, and the crude residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent pure petroleum ether) to obtain the desired compounds **S_a-S_p** (checked by GC-MS) in 75-95% yields.

(2) A 1,4-dioxane (10.0 mL) and H₂O (1.0 mL) solution containing **S** (1.5 mmol), phenylboronic acids (1.65 mmol), PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (5.0 mol%, 52.7 mg, 0.075 mmol) and KF (261.0 mg, 4.5 mmol) in a 25 mL screw-capped thick-walled Pyrex tube was stirred under N₂ at 100 °C in an oil bath for 12 h. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature (TLC monitoring, eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 15/1 v/v), and filtrated through a short pad of celite. The solution was then concentrated under reduced pressure to remove the volatiles, and the crude residue was

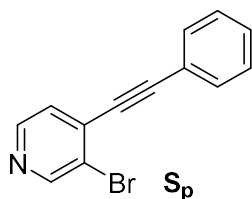
purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, gradient mixture ratio from 30 / 1 to 15 / 1 v/v) to afford product **1a-p** in 24-94% yields.



3-Bromo-2-(phenylethynyl)pyridine (S_n). Pale yellow oil (478 mg, 1.85 mmol, 93% yield). R_f = 0.70 (pure PE). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.52 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 4.8 Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 8.2 Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.09 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 8.2 Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 4.6 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.2, 143.6, 139.8, 132.1, 129.4, 128.4, 123.8, 123.5, 121.9, 94.0, 87.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{BrN}$ 257.9913, found 257.9913.

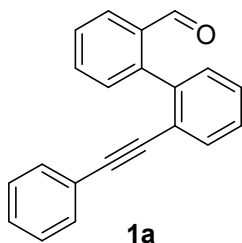


4-Bromo-3-(phenylethynyl)pyridine (S_o). Pale yellow oil (488 mg, 1.89 mmol, 95% yield). R_f = 0.70 (pure PE). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.70 (s, 1H), 8.29 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 152.9, 148.6, 135.2, 131.8, 129.2, 128.5, 127.2, 123.1, 122.2, 97.0, 84.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{BrN}$ 257.9913, found 257.9913.

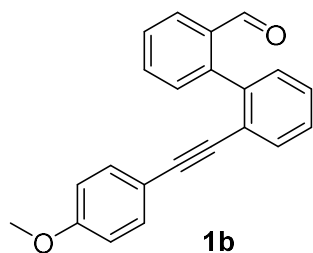


3-Bromo-4-(phenylethynyl)pyridine (S_p). Pale yellow oil (406 mg, 1.57 mmol, 79% yield). $R_f = 0.70$ (pure PE). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.77 (s, 1H), 8.47 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.35 (m, 4H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.77, 147.79, 133.07, 132.07, 129.67, 128.58, 126.56, 123.11, 121.82, 98.75, 85.70 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{BrN}$ 257.9913, found 257.9913.

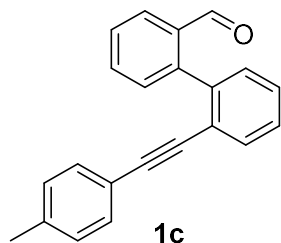
Compounds **1a**, **1c**, **1e**, **1f**, **1g** are known compounds, which were confirmed by their ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectroscopic data [41].



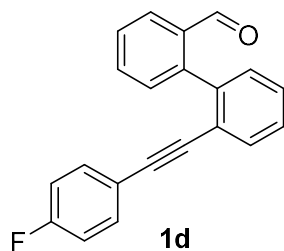
2'-(Phenylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (1a). Pale yellow oil (355 mg, 1.26 mmol, 84% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.94 (s, 1H), 8.09 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.54 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 192.0, 144.4, 140.4, 134.3, 133.6, 132.1, 131.4, 130.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.0, 123.8, 122.8, 93.9, 88.3 ppm.



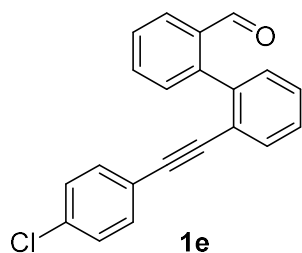
2'-[(4-Methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1b**). Yellow oil (332 mg, 1.07 mmol, 71% yield). $R_f = 0.55$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.9$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.52 (dd app. t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 2H), 6.77-6.74 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.9, 159.8, 144.5, 140.1, 134.3, 133.5, 132.8, 131.8, 131.4, 130.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 126.8, 124.1, 114.9, 114.0, 94.0, 87.1, 55.3 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2$ 313.1223, found 313.1223.



2'-(p-Tolylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1c**). Pale yellow oil (417 mg, 1.41 mmol, 94% yield). $R_f = 0.50$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 7.02 (m, 4H), 2.29 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.9, 144.4, 140.3, 138.7, 134.3, 133.5, 132.0, 131.4, 131.3, 130.3, 129.1, 128.3, 128.3, 126.9, 124.0, 119.7, 94.1, 87.7, 21.6 ppm.

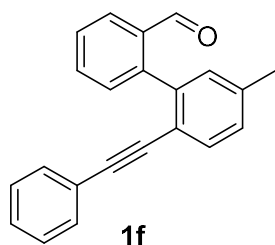


2'-[(4-Fluorophenyl)ethynyl]-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1d**). Pale yellow oil (333 mg, 1.11 mmol, 74% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.90 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.9, 162.7 (d, $J = 249.6$ Hz), 144.3, 140.3, 134.3, 133.6, 133.3 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 132.0, 131.4, 130.3, 128.6, 128.3, 126.9, 123.6, 118.8 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 115.7 (d, $J = 22.2$ Hz), 92.8, 88.0. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}$ 301.1023, found 301.1023.

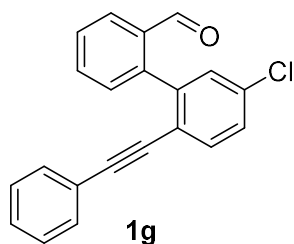


2'-[(4-Chlorophenyl)ethynyl]-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1e**). Pale yellow oil (436 mg, 1.38 mmol, 92% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.92 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.55 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.07 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.9, 144.3, 140.5,

134.6, 134.3, 133.6, 132.6, 132.1, 131.4, 130.4, 128.8, 128.8, 128.4, 128.4, 127.0, 123.5, 121.3, 92.7, 89.3 ppm.

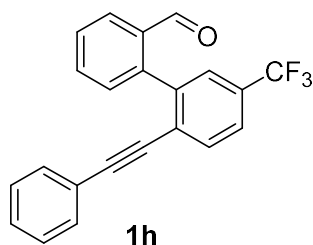


5'-Methyl-2'-(phenylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (1f). Pale yellow oil (404 mg, 1.36 mmol, 91% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.94 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.9$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.42 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.16 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 192.0, 144.5, 140.3, 138.8, 134.3, 133.5, 131.9, 131.3, 131.3, 131.1, 129.1, 128.3, 128.2, 126.9, 123.0, 120.8, 93.1, 88.5, 21.6 ppm.

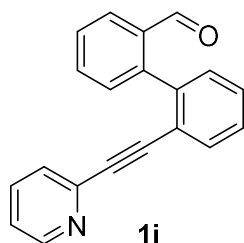


5'-Chloro-2'-(phenylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (1g). Pale yellow solid (374 mg, 1.18 mmol, 79% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). m.p. 83.7 – 84.2 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.09 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.4$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.16 – 7.13 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100

MHz, CDCl₃) δ_C 191.4, 142.9, 142.1, 134.5, 134.3, 133.8, 133.1, 131.4, 131.2, 130.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.3, 122.5, 94.8, 87.3 ppm.

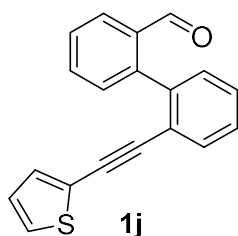


2'-(Phenylethynyl)-5'-(trifluoromethyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (1h). Pale yellow solid (483 mg, 1.38 mmol, 92% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). m.p. 79.5 – 80.1 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_H 9.92 (s, 1H), 8.11 (dd, ³ $J_{H,H}$ = 7.8 Hz, ⁴ $J_{H,H}$ = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.67 (m, 4H), 7.58 (t, ³ $J_{H,H}$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, ³ $J_{H,H}$ = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 2H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_C 191.1, 142.7, 141.2, 134.3, 133.9, 132.4, 131.6, 131.3, 130.3 (q, J = 32.7 Hz), 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 127.6, 127.5, 126.9 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 125.1 (q, J = 3.5 Hz), 123.9 (q, J = 273.7 Hz), 122.1, 96.4, 87.1 ppm. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -62.53. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z [M + H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₄F₃O 351.0991, found 351.0991.

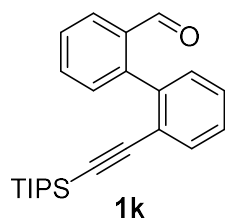


2'-(Pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (1i). Pale yellow solid (378 mg, 1.34 mmol, 89% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). m.p.

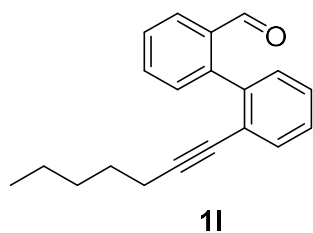
104.6 – 104.9 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.95 (s, 1H), 8.50 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 3.3$ Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.3$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.39 (m, 6H), 7.15 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.6, 149.9, 143.9, 142.8, 140.6, 136.0, 134.1, 133.5, 132.6, 131.3, 130.3, 129.1, 128.3, 128.3, 127.1, 126.8, 122.8, 122.6, 92.7, 87.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$ 284.1070, found 284.1069.



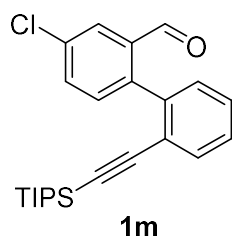
2'-(Thiophen-2-ylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1j**). Pale yellow oil (363 mg, 1.26 mmol, 84% yield). $R_{\text{f}} = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.91 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.18 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 5.1$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 3.7$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 5.2$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 3.6$ Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.7, 144.1, 140.1, 134.2, 133.5, 132.0, 131.6, 131.3, 130.3, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.7, 127.1, 127.0, 123.4, 122.6, 92.0, 87.3 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{OS}$ 289.0682, found 289.0682.



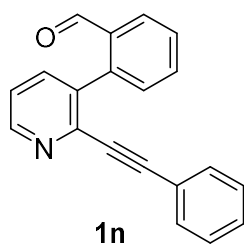
2'-[(Triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl]-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1k**). White solid (391 mg, 1.08 mmol, 72% yield). R_f = 0.50 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). m.p. 68.0 – 68.3 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.85 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.46 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 0.91 (s, 21H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 191.6, 144.6, 140.7, 134.1, 133.4, 132.7, 131.0, 130.1, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.0, 123.9, 105.2, 95.7, 18.5, 11.1. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{31}\text{OSi}$ 363.2139, found 363.2138.



2'-(Hept-1-yn-1-yl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (**1l**). Pale yellow oil (99 mg, 0.36 mmol, 24% yield). R_f = 0.50 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.85 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 2.17 – 2.13 (s, 2H), 1.33 – 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.21 – 1.16 (m, 2H), 1.11 – 1.05 (m, 2H), 0.83 – 0.79 (m, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 192.0, 144.7, 140.2, 134.1, 133.4, 132.0, 131.2, 130.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 126.7, 124.5, 95.5, 79.5, 30.8, 27.8, 22.2, 19.3, 14.0 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}$ 277.1587, found 277.1587.

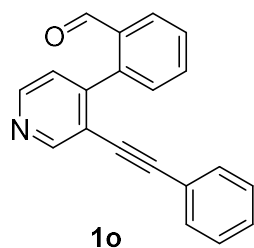


4-Chloro-2'-[(triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl]-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-carbaldehyde (1m). Pale yellow oil (422 mg, 1.07 mmol, 71% yield). $R_f = 0.50$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.77 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 0.92 (s, 21H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 190.4, 142.8, 139.5, 135.3, 134.7, 133.3, 132.9, 132.6, 130.0, 128.5, 128.4, 126.9, 124.0, 104.9, 96.4, 18.5, 11.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{24}\text{ClOSi}$ 355.1279, found 355.1278.

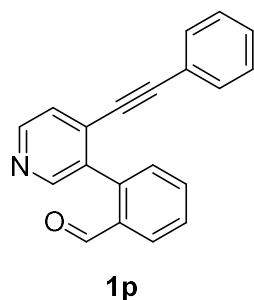


2-[2-(Phenylethynyl)pyridin-3-yl]benzaldehyde (1n). Pale yellow oil (365 mg, 1.29 mmol, 86% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.96 (s, 1H), 8.69 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 4.7$, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.11 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.59 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.19 (m, 5H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 190.8, 149.7, 142.8, 141.4, 137.5, 136.6, 134.2, 133.7, 131.7, 131.3, 129.1, 128.9, 128.3, 127.7, 122.6,

121.6, 93.7, 87.7 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[M + H]^+$ Calcd. for $C_{20}H_{14}NO$ 284.1070, found 284.1069.



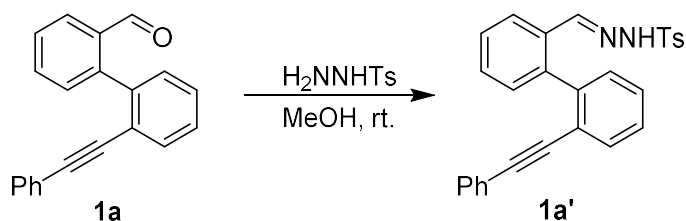
2-[3-(Phenylethynyl)pyridin-4-yl]benzaldehyde (1o). Pale yellow oil (386 mg, 1.36 mmol, 91% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ_H 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.86 (s, 1H), 8.65 (d, $^3J_{H,H}$ = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (dd, $^3J_{H,H}$ = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (td, $^3J_{H,H}$ = 7.5 Hz, $^4J_{H,H}$ = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, $^3J_{H,H}$ = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, $^3J_{H,H}$ = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 6H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ_C 190.6, 152.5, 148.7, 147.8, 141.1, 133.8, 131.4, 130.7, 129.3, 129.0, 128.4, 127.8, 124.2, 122.0, 120.6, 96.7, 84.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[M + H]^+$ Calcd. for $C_{20}H_{14}NO$ 284.1070, found 284.1069.



2-[4-(Phenylethynyl)pyridin-3-yl]benzaldehyde (1p). Pale yellow oil (378 mg, 1.33 mmol, 89% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 10/1 v/v). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ_H 9.95 (s, 1H), 8.67 – 8.66 (m, 2H), 8.12 (d, $^3J_{H,H}$ = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71

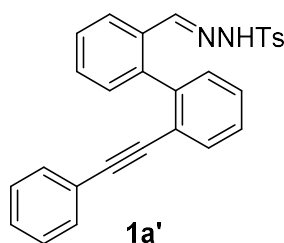
(td, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.4$, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.19 (m, 5H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 190.8, 150.2, 149.3, 140.1, 135.0, 134.4, 133.8, 131.6, 131.6, 131.4, 129.4, 129.0, 128.4, 127.7, 125.1, 121.5, 98.2, 85.7 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$ 284.1070, found 284.1069.

B-2. Preparation of 2'-alkynyl-biaryl-2-aldehyde *N*-tosylhydrazone **1a'**



The Synthesis of 2'-alkynyl-biaryl-2-aldehyde *N*-tosylhydrazone **1a'**:

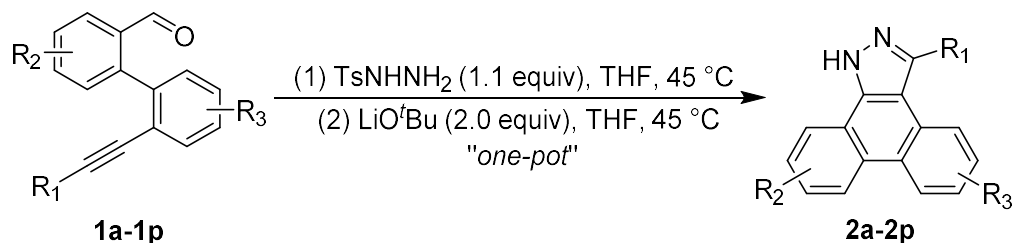
The mixture of H_2NNHTs (1.1 equiv., 1.10 mmol, 205 mg), 2'-(phenylethynyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-carbaldehyde (**1a**, 1.00 mmol, 282 mg) and methanol (5.0 mL) in a 25 mL screw-capped thick-walled Pyrex tube was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After the reaction was completed (checked by TLC), the crude residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel, eluting with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (gradient mixture ratio from 5 / 1 to 3 / 1) as eluent to afford product **1a'** in 90% yields.



(*E*)-4-Methyl-*N'*-{[2'-(phenylethynyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-yl]methylene}benzenesulfonylhydrazide (**1a'**). Yellow solid (405 mg, 0.90 mmol, 90% yield). $R_f = 0.45$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1 v/v). m.p. 77.3 – 77.8 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 7.76 (d, $^3J_{H,H} = 8.5$ Hz, 3H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.56 (dd, $^3J_{H,H} = 5.7$ Hz, $^4J_{H,H} = 3.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.34 (dd, $^3J_{H,H} = 5.7$ Hz, $^4J_{H,H} = 3.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 6H), 7.08 (d, $^3J_{H,H} = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 146.5, 144.0, 141.6, 141.1, 135.5, 132.0, 131.4, 130.7, 130.3,

129.8, 129.6, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 125.6, 123.2, 122.8, 93.6, 88.2, 21.6 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{21}H_{15}N_2$ 295.1230, found 295.1229.

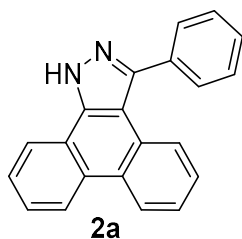
B-3. Preparation of 3-substituted 1*H*-dibenzo[*e,g*]indazoles **2a-p**



General procedure for the preparation of 1*H*-dibenzo[*e,g*]indazoles **2a-p**:

A THF (5.0 mL) solution containing 2'-alkynyl-biaryl-2-aldehydes (**1**, 282.0 mg, 1.0 mmol) and *p*-toluenesulfonylhydrazide (204.9 mg, 1.1 mmol) in a 25 mL screw-capped thick-walled Pyrex tube was stirred at 45 °C for 1 h. After the reaction was completed (TLC monitoring, eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v), LiO^tBu (120.0 mg, 1.5 mmol) and additional THF (2.5 mL) were added and then the mixture was stirred at 45 °C for 1 h. After the reaction was completed (TLC monitoring, eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v), the crude residue was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, gradient mixture ratio from 5/1 to 2/1 v/v) to afford products **2a-p** in 61-93% yields.

2a was known compounds³⁸.

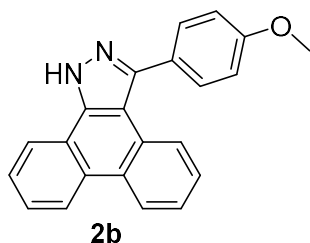


3-Phenyl-1*H*-dibenzo[*e,g*]indazole (**2a**). White solid (259 mg, 0.88 mmol, 88% yield).

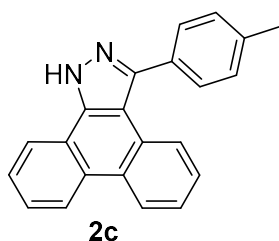
R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 260.4 – 260.8 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ_H 14.24 – 13.95 (s, 1H), 8.78 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.55 (d, ³ $J_{H,H}$ = 7.8 Hz,

1H), 8.02 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.40 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 147.3, 137.2, 135.4, 129.6, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 127.4, 127.1, 124.9, 124.1, 124.0, 122.6, 122.3, 121.0, 112.5 ppm.

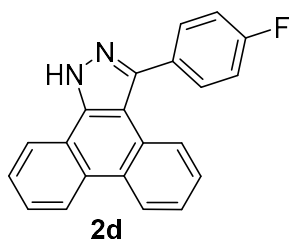
To demonstrate the practical utility of the method as a synthetic tool, a gram-scale reaction of **1a** (5.0 mmol) in 38.0 mL of THF under standard conditions was conducted, and the desired **2a** was obtained in 85% yield (1.25 g).



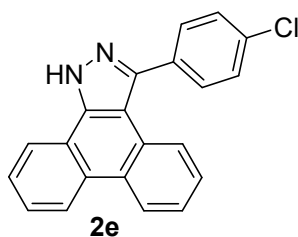
3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2b). White solid (285 mg, 0.88 mmol, 88% yield). $R_{\text{f}} = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 204.2 – 204.7 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 13.97 (s, 1H), 8.71 (dd, $^2J_{\text{H,H}} = 16.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 8.56 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.49 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 159.3, 147.2, 137.2, 130.9, 129.6, 127.4, 127.3, 127.1, 124.8, 124.0, 123.9, 122.6, 122.4, 121.1, 114.0, 112.6, 55.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ 325.1335, found 325.1334.



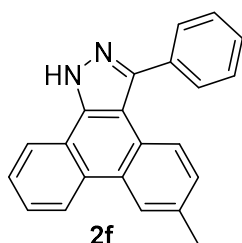
3-(p-Tolyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2c). White solid (262 mg, 0.85 mmol, 85% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 199.6 – 200.0 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 11.79 (s, 1H), 8.71 (dd, $^2J_{\text{H,H}} = 17.1$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 8.57 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.73 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 2.40 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 145.1, 139.0, 137.8, 131.4, 129.7, 129.4, 129.2, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.1, 125.6, 124.9, 124.1, 123.9, 122.6, 122.3, 112.3, 20.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2$ 309.1386, found 309.1385.



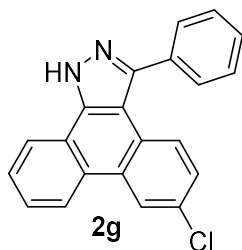
3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2d). White solid (262 mg, 0.84 mmol, 84% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 235.7 – 236.2 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 14.31 – 14.03 (s, 1H), 8.70 – 8.58 (m, 3H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.80 – 7.62 (m, 4H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 4H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 162.2 (d, $J = 245.1$ Hz), 146.4, 137.3, 131.8, 131.7, 131.6, 129.6, 127.4, 127.3, 127.1, 124.9, 124.1, 124.0, 122.6, 122.4, 121.0, 115.5 (d, $J = 21.5$ Hz), 112.6 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{FN}_2$ 313.1136, found 313.1134.



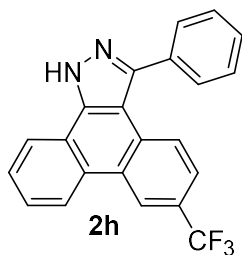
3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2e). White solid (262 mg, 0.80 mmol, 80% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 265.3 – 265.9 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 14.18 (s, 1H), 8.76 (dd, $^2J_{\text{H,H}} = 17.0$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 8.53 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}} = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 7.66 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 144.8, 138.5, 133.6, 133.3, 131.3, 129.6, 128.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.4, 127.1, 127.1, 125.0, 124.1, 123.9, 122.6, 122.4, 121.7, 112.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClN}_2$ 329.0840, found 329.0838.



6-Methyl-3-phenyl-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2f). White solid (265 mg, 0.86 mmol, 86% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 235.6 – 235.9 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 14.22 – 13.93 (s, 1H), 8.76 – 8.52 (m, 3H), 7.94 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.52 (m, 7H), 7.19 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 147.1, 137.0, 135.6, 134.0, 129.6, 129.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.5, 127.3, 127.1, 124.8, 123.9, 122.5, 122.3, 121.1, 112.6, 21.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2$ 309.1386, found 309.1385.



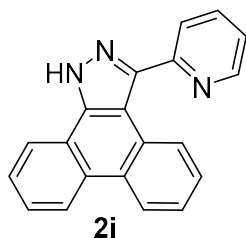
6-Chloro-3-phenyl-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2g). White solid (276 mg, 0.84 mmol, 84% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 286.9 – 287.3 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 13.77 (s, 1H), 8.73 – 8.69 (m, 2H), 8.51 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.64 (m, 4H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.40 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 8.6 Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 2.1 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 129.8, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.4, 127.0, 125.8, 124.3, 124.2, 123.6, 122.3, 111.7. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClN}_2$ 329.0840, found 329.0838.



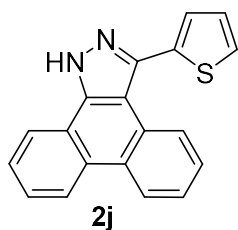
3-Phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2h). White solid (300 mg, 0.83 mmol, 83% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 276.9 – 277.3 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 14.29 – 14.10 (s, 1H), 8.88 – 8.84 (m, 1H), 8.72 – 8.65 (m, 1H), 8.55 – 8.47 (m, 1H), 8.07 – 8.02 (m, 1H), 7.71 – 7.51 (m, 8H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 147.7, 138.0, 135.0, 129.8, 129.5, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.0, 126.0, 125.0 (q, J = 31.7 Hz), 124.1, 123.3 (d, J = 6.7 Hz), 122.8,

122.3, 121.1 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz), 111.7 ppm. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ -60.08.

HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2$ 363.1104, found 363.1102.

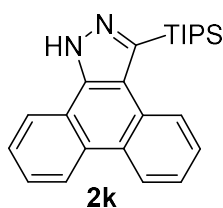


3-(Pyridin-2-yl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2i). White solid (230 mg, 0.78 mmol, 78% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 209.3 – 209.7 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ_{H} 14.44 – 14.28 (s, 1H), 9.04 – 9.02 (m, 1H), 8.86 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.79 – 8.58 (m, 3H), 8.06 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.49 (m, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ_{C} 154.3, 148.8, 147.1, 137.8, 137.0, 129.7, 127.5, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.0, 125.6, 125.2, 124.3, 124.0, 123.7, 123.1, 122.3, 120.9, 113.5. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3$ 296.1182, found 296.1181.

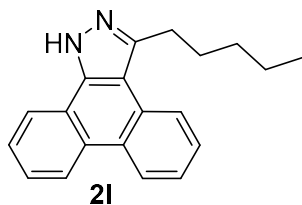


3-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2j). White solid (273 mg, 0.91 mmol, 91% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 255.4 – 255.9 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ_{H} 14.40 – 14.17 (s, 1H), 8.71 – 8.56 (m, 3H), 8.34 – 8.31 (m, 1H), 7.76 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.66 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 3.6$ Hz, 1H),

7.52 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.30 (m, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ_{C} 140.4, 137.4, 136.1, 129.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.3, 127.1, 126.9, 125.1, 124.1, 124.0, 122.6, 122.3, 120.8, 113.2. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_2\text{S}$ 301.0794, found 301.0793.

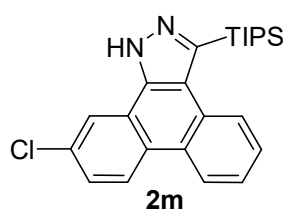


3-(Triisopropylsilyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2k). White solid (348 mg, 0.93 mmol, 93% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 87.8 – 88.3 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 12.12 (s, 1H), 8.75 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.58 – 8.53 (m, 2H), 8.27 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.46 (m, 4H), 1.78 (hept, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.12 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.7 Hz, 18H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 130.5, 129.1, 128.7, 127.3, 127.2, 126.5, 126.0, 125.3, 124.0, 123.6, 123.4, 123.2, 18.8, 12.7 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{Si}$ 375.2251, found 375.2251.

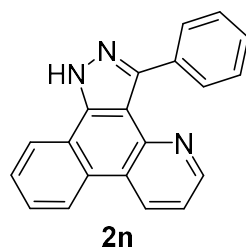


3-Pentyl-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2l). White solid (176 mg, 0.61 mmol, 61% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 188.5 – 188.9 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ_{H} 13.69 – 13.49 (s, 1H), 8.78 – 8.67 (m, 2H), 8.44 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}$ = 7.5 Hz,

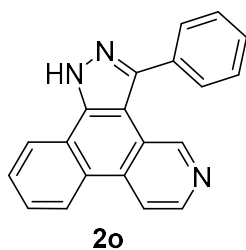
1H), 8.24 – 8.15 (m, 1H), 7.69 – 7.52 (m, 4H), 3.19 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.82 – 1.80 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.32 (m, 4H), 0.87 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.1$ Hz, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 147.3, 137.1, 129.4, 127.6, 127.3, 127.1, 124.4, 124.0, 123.1, 122.2, 121.1, 112.4, 31.2, 28.9, 27.7, 21.9, 13.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2$ 289.1699, found 289.1698.



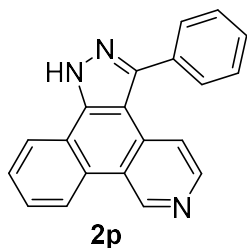
10-Chloro-3-(triisopropylsilyl)-1H-dibenzo[e,g]indazole (2m). White solid (335 mg, 0.82 mmol, 82% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 191.1 – 191.7 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 11.96 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.47 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 1.76 (hept, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.15 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 18H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 133.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.6, 126.9, 125.7, 125.5, 125.1, 124.0, 123.9, 122.8, 18.9, 12.7 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{30}\text{ClN}_2\text{Si}$ 409.1861, found 409.1860.



*3-Phenyl-1H-benzo[*ff*]pyrazolo[3,4-*h*]quinoline (2n)*. White solid (260 mg, 0.88 mmol, 88% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 265.7 – 266.2 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 14.39 – 14.16 (s, 1H), 9.02 – 8.92 (m, 1H), 8.78 – 8.56 (m, 3H), 8.29 – 8.14 (m, 2H), 7.79 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.55 – 7.42 (m, 4H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 148.6, 148.2, 147.4, 145.9, 144.6, 139.9, 139.7, 134.6, 131.7, 130.1, 129.9, 129.6, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 126.0, 124.1, 123.8, 123.4, 122.4, 122.3, 120.8, 120.5, 120.1, 113.4, 112.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3$ 296.1182, found 296.1181.



*3-Phenyl-1H-benzo[*ff*]pyrazolo[3,4-*h*]isoquinoline (2o)*. White solid (266 mg, 0.90 mmol, 90% yield). $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 277.9 – 278.4 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{H} 14.37 – 14.12 (s, 1H), 9.22 (s, 1H), 8.82 – 8.72 (m, 1H), 8.56 – 8.52 (m, 3H), 7.85 – 7.59 (m, 7H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_{C} 146.9, 145.1, 144.1, 137.7, 135.1, 132.5, 129.6, 129.4, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 127.5, 124.7, 122.4, 117.5, 110.6. HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3$ 296.1182, found 296.1181.



3-Phenyl-1H-benzo[h]pyrazolo[4,3-f]isoquinoline (2p). White solid (221 mg, 0.75 mmol, 75% yield). R_f = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1 v/v). m.p. 324.3 – 324.8 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ_{H} 14.46 – 14.20 (s, 1H), 10.06 – 9.95 (m, 1H), 9.04 – 8.87 (m, 1H), 8.56 – 8.48 (m, 2H), 7.86 – 7.55 (m, 8H). HRMS (ESI IT-TOF) m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3$ 296.1182, found 296.1181. The ^{13}C NMR spectroscopic data could not be recorded due to the poor solubility in deuterated solvents, such as $\text{DMSO-}d_6$, CDCl_3 .

B. Single crystal structures

C-1. The X-ray crystal structural data of 2a.

Crystal Structure of C₂₁H₁₄N₂

The low temperature (173±2°K) single-crystal X-ray experiments were performed on a SuperNova diffractometer with Cu K α radiation. Unit cell was obtained and refined by 5063 reflections with $4.7^\circ < \theta < 73.2^\circ$. No decay was observed in data collection. Raw intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects, and for absorption by empirical method. Direct phase determination yielded the positions of all non-hydrogen atoms. All non-hydrogen atoms were subjected to anisotropic refinement. All hydrogen atoms were generated geometrically with C-H bonds of 0.95 Å according to criteria described in the SHELXTL manual (Bruker, 1997). They were included in the refinement with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}$ of their parent atoms. The final full-matrix least-square refinement on F^2 converged with $R1 = 0.0457$ and $wR2 = 0.1101$ for 2492 observed reflections [$I \geq 2\sigma(I)$]. The final difference electron density map shows no features. Details of crystal parameters, data collection and structure refinement are given in Table 1.

Data collection was controlled by CrysAlisPro, Agilent Technologies, Version 1.171.36.32 (Oxford, 2013). Computations were performed using the SHELXTL NT ver. 5.10 program package (Bruker, 1997) on an IBM PC 586 computer. Analytic expressions of atomic scattering factors were employed, and anomalous dispersion corrections were incorporated (*International Tables for X-ray Crystallography*, 1989). Crystal drawings were produced with XP (Bruker, 1997).

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- [44] Oxford. (2013) CrysAlisPro, Agilent Technologies, Version 1.171.36.32, Oxford Diffraction Ltd., 68 Milton Park, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 4RX, UK.

Table S1. Details of Data Collection, Processing and Structure Refinement

Sample code	2a		
Molecular formula	C ₂₁ H ₁₄ N ₂		
Molecular weight	294.34		
Color and habit	orange prism		
Crystal size	0.2 × 0.3 × 0.5 mm		
Crystal system	monoclinic		
Space group	P2 ₁ /c (No. 14)		
Unit cell parameters	$a = 9.2011(2) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 90.00^\circ$ $b = 12.9253(3) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 90.277(2)^\circ$ $c = 12.3868(2) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 90.00^\circ$ $V = 1473.11(5) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 4$ $F(000) = 616$		
Density (calcd)	1.327 g/cm ³		
Diffractometer	SuperNova, Dual, Cu at home/near, AtlasS2		
Radiation	Cu K α , $\lambda = 1.54178 \text{ \AA}$		
Temperature	173±2K		
Scan type	ω -scan		
Data collection range	$-11 < h < 10, -15 < k < 16, -9 < l < 15; \theta_{\max} = 73.8^\circ$		
Reflections measured	Total: 9738	Unique (n): 2937	Observed [I ≥ 2σ(I)]: 2492
Absorption coefficient	0.609 mm ⁻¹		
Minimum and maximum transmission	0.927, 1.000		
No. of variables, p	212		
Weighting scheme	$w = \frac{1}{\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0306P)^2 + 0.8796P}$ $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$		
$R1 = \frac{\sum F_o - F_c }{\sum F_o }$ (for all reflections)	0.0550	0.0457 (for observed data)	
$wR2 = \sqrt{\frac{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{\sum w(F_o^2)^2}}$ (for all reflections)	0.1139	0.1101 (for observed data)	
Goof = $S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{n - p}}$	1.166		
Largest and mean Δ/σ	0.004, 0.000		
Residual extrema in final difference map	-0.243 to 0.219 e Å ⁻³		

Table S2. Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic temperature factors* (\AA^2)

Atoms	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U_{eq.}</i>
N(1)	0.91260(15)	0.53527(12)	0.60136(12)	0.0252(3)
N(2)	0.83731(16)	0.47314(12)	0.53256(12)	0.0244(3)
C(1)	0.82553(18)	0.55159(13)	0.68545(14)	0.0222(4)
C(2)	0.69066(17)	0.49933(13)	0.67016(13)	0.0214(3)
C(3)	0.70567(18)	0.44904(13)	0.57161(13)	0.0218(3)
C(4)	0.59796(18)	0.38125(13)	0.52552(14)	0.0233(4)
C(5)	0.6217(2)	0.32424(14)	0.43111(15)	0.0284(4)
C(6)	0.5170(2)	0.25703(15)	0.39322(16)	0.0352(5)
C(7)	0.3869(2)	0.24664(15)	0.44959(17)	0.0368(5)
C(8)	0.3613(2)	0.30325(15)	0.54149(16)	0.0322(4)
C(9)	0.46544(18)	0.37312(13)	0.58236(14)	0.0247(4)
C(10)	0.43881(18)	0.43705(13)	0.67843(14)	0.0244(4)
C(11)	0.55166(17)	0.49814(13)	0.72439(13)	0.0226(4)
C(12)	0.52156(19)	0.56063(15)	0.81447(15)	0.0288(4)
C(13)	0.3840(2)	0.56544(16)	0.85749(16)	0.0350(5)
C(14)	0.2724(2)	0.50747(16)	0.81138(16)	0.0352(5)
C(15)	0.29954(19)	0.44413(15)	0.72457(16)	0.0310(4)
C(16)	0.88687(17)	0.61370(13)	0.77483(13)	0.0218(4)
C(17)	0.87944(18)	0.58058(14)	0.88180(14)	0.0243(4)
C(18)	0.95271(19)	0.63455(15)	0.96241(14)	0.0283(4)
C(19)	1.0327(2)	0.72182(15)	0.93731(15)	0.0323(4)
C(20)	1.0389(2)	0.75641(15)	0.83176(16)	0.0332(4)
C(21)	0.96607(19)	0.70283(14)	0.75095(15)	0.0272(4)

U_{eq.}* defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized **U tensor.

Table S3. Bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°)

N(1)-C(1)	1.334(2)	C(9)-C(10)	1.470(3)
N(1)-N(2)	1.358(2)	C(10)-C(15)	1.409(2)
N(2)-C(3)	1.343(2)	C(10)-C(11)	1.421(2)
C(1)-C(2)	1.425(2)	C(11)-C(12)	1.406(2)
C(1)-C(16)	1.477(2)	C(12)-C(13)	1.377(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.390(2)	C(13)-C(14)	1.392(3)
C(2)-C(11)	1.448(2)	C(14)-C(15)	1.375(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.439(2)	C(16)-C(17)	1.394(2)
C(4)-C(5)	1.400(2)	C(16)-C(21)	1.396(2)
C(4)-C(9)	1.415(3)	C(17)-C(18)	1.390(2)
C(5)-C(6)	1.378(3)	C(18)-C(19)	1.383(3)
C(6)-C(7)	1.395(3)	C(19)-C(20)	1.383(3)
C(7)-C(8)	1.375(3)	C(20)-C(21)	1.387(3)
C(8)-C(9)	1.409(2)		
C(1)-N(1)-N(2)	106.08(14)	C(4)-C(9)-C(10)	120.56(15)
C(3)-N(2)-N(1)	111.67(14)	C(15)-C(10)-C(11)	117.76(16)
N(1)-C(1)-C(2)	110.32(15)	C(15)-C(10)-C(9)	121.36(16)
N(1)-C(1)-C(16)	116.26(15)	C(11)-C(10)-C(9)	120.80(15)
C(2)-C(1)-C(16)	133.36(16)	C(12)-C(11)-C(10)	119.38(15)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	104.37(15)	C(12)-C(11)-C(2)	122.68(16)
C(3)-C(2)-C(11)	119.61(15)	C(10)-C(11)-C(2)	117.74(15)
C(1)-C(2)-C(11)	135.59(16)	C(13)-C(12)-C(11)	121.20(17)
N(2)-C(3)-C(2)	107.54(15)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	119.65(19)
N(2)-C(3)-C(4)	128.24(16)	C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	120.33(17)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	124.19(15)	C(14)-C(15)-C(10)	121.66(17)
C(5)-C(4)-C(9)	120.99(16)	C(17)-C(16)-C(21)	118.88(16)
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	122.81(16)	C(17)-C(16)-C(1)	121.67(15)
C(9)-C(4)-C(3)	116.19(15)	C(21)-C(16)-C(1)	119.18(15)
C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	120.30(18)	C(18)-C(17)-C(16)	120.18(16)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	119.36(18)	C(19)-C(18)-C(17)	120.31(17)
C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	120.94(18)	C(20)-C(19)-C(18)	120.03(17)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	121.32(18)	C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	119.91(18)
C(8)-C(9)-C(4)	117.06(17)	C(20)-C(21)-C(16)	120.67(17)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	122.37(16)		
Hydrogen bonding			
H(2)···N(1) ^{#1}	2.11(2)	N(2)-H(2)···N(1) ^{#1}	139.7(19)

Symmetry transformations code: #1 (2-x, 1-y, 1-z).

Table S4. Anisotropic thermal parameters* (\AA^2)

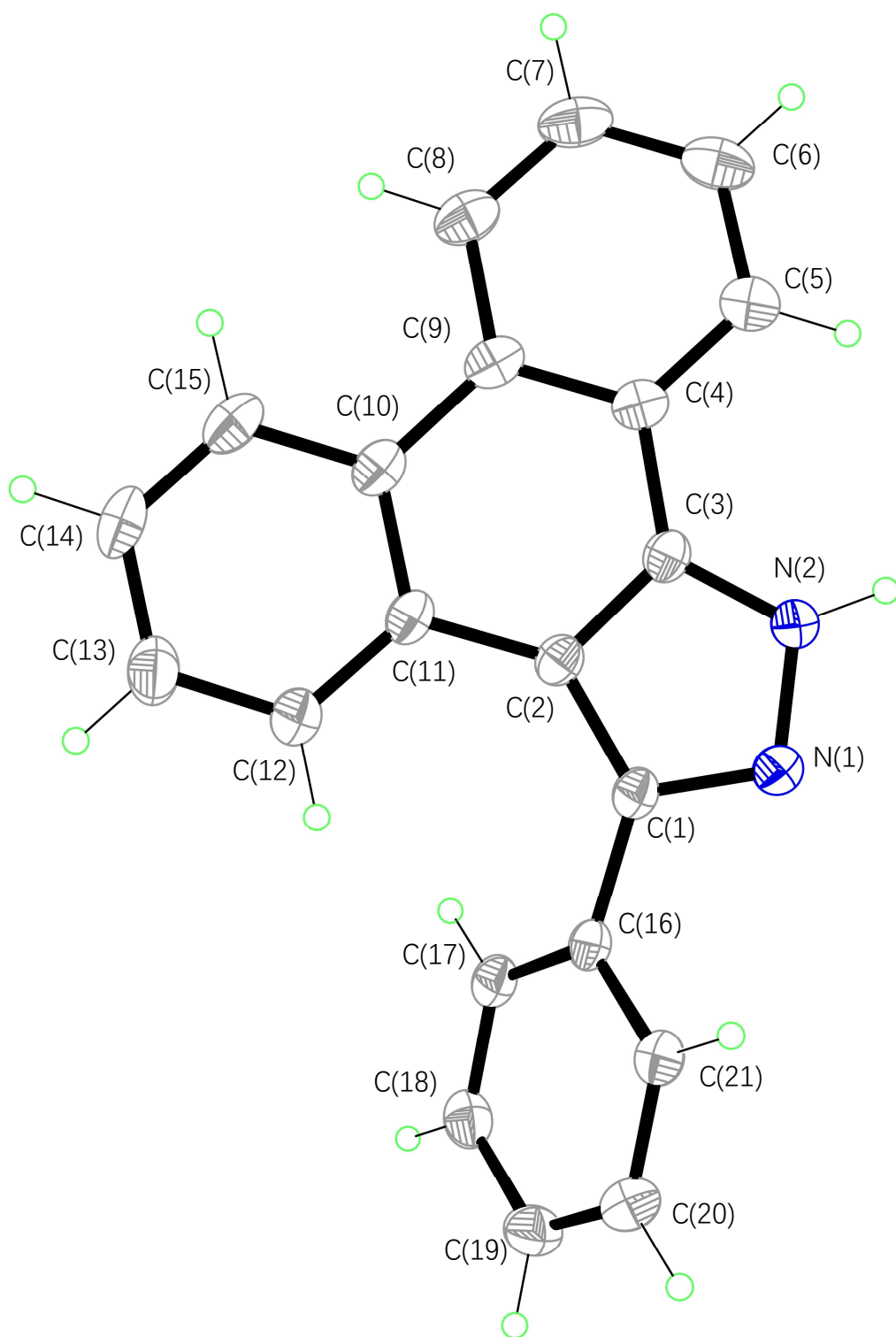
Atoms	U_{11}	U_{22}	U_{33}	U_{23}	U_{13}	U_{12}
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N(2)	0.0215(7)	0.0284(8)	0.0233(7)	-0.0042(6)	0.0017(6)	-0.0016(6)
C(1)	0.0181(8)	0.0238(8)	0.0248(8)	0.0004(7)	0.0020(7)	0.0010(6)
C(2)	0.0188(8)	0.0211(8)	0.0244(8)	0.0017(6)	0.0001(7)	0.0010(6)
C(3)	0.0188(8)	0.0222(8)	0.0244(8)	0.0024(6)	0.0011(7)	0.0018(6)
C(4)	0.0236(8)	0.0196(8)	0.0265(9)	0.0031(6)	-0.0041(7)	0.0002(6)
C(5)	0.0304(9)	0.0258(9)	0.0289(9)	-0.0001(7)	-0.0032(8)	0.0010(7)
C(6)	0.0449(12)	0.0264(9)	0.0343(10)	-0.0050(8)	-0.0103(9)	-0.0005(8)
C(7)	0.0377(11)	0.0290(10)	0.0437(11)	-0.0005(8)	-0.0101(9)	-0.0108(8)
C(8)	0.0278(9)	0.0289(9)	0.0399(11)	0.0045(8)	-0.0037(8)	-0.0071(7)
C(9)	0.0228(8)	0.0206(8)	0.0307(9)	0.0064(7)	-0.0046(7)	-0.0015(7)
C(10)	0.0207(8)	0.0233(8)	0.0290(9)	0.0070(7)	-0.0001(7)	-0.0002(6)
C(11)	0.0184(8)	0.0230(8)	0.0263(9)	0.0050(7)	0.0015(7)	0.0011(6)
C(12)	0.0227(8)	0.0331(10)	0.0305(10)	-0.0022(8)	0.0022(7)	0.0007(7)
C(13)	0.0287(10)	0.0416(11)	0.0346(10)	-0.0016(8)	0.0072(8)	0.0041(8)
C(14)	0.0213(9)	0.0433(11)	0.0409(11)	0.0061(9)	0.0101(8)	0.0010(8)
C(15)	0.0216(9)	0.0330(10)	0.0385(10)	0.0086(8)	-0.0002(8)	-0.0054(7)
C(16)	0.0155(7)	0.0251(8)	0.0249(8)	-0.0022(7)	0.0030(6)	0.0015(6)
C(17)	0.0190(8)	0.0261(9)	0.0280(9)	0.0007(7)	0.0029(7)	0.0012(7)
C(18)	0.0258(9)	0.0348(10)	0.0242(9)	-0.0002(7)	0.0010(7)	0.0051(7)
C(19)	0.0286(9)	0.0365(10)	0.0319(10)	-0.0095(8)	-0.0030(8)	-0.0025(8)
C(20)	0.0319(10)	0.0310(10)	0.0367(10)	-0.0035(8)	0.0030(8)	-0.0099(8)
C(21)	0.0265(9)	0.0296(9)	0.0255(9)	-0.0002(7)	0.0052(7)	-0.0038(7)

The exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 \sum \sum U_{ij} h_i h_j \mathbf{a}_i^ \mathbf{a}_j^*$

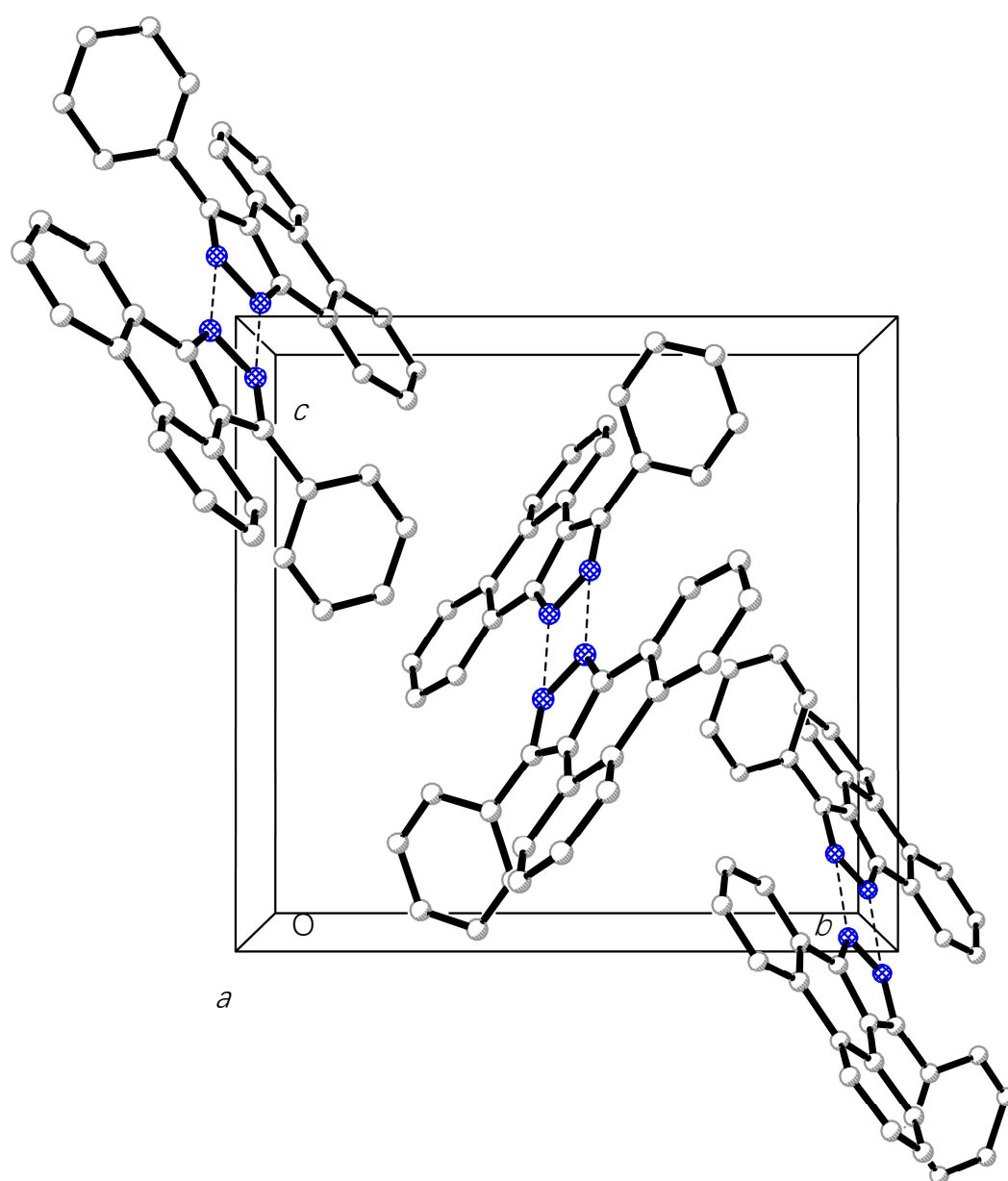
Table S5. Coordinates and isotropic temperature factors* (\AA^2) for H atoms

Atoms	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{eq.}$
H(2)	0.882(2)	0.4547(17)	0.4717(18)	0.035(6)
H(5)	0.7104	0.3319	0.3930	0.034
H(6)	0.5333	0.2181	0.3293	0.042
H(7)	0.3150	0.1998	0.4241	0.044
H(8)	0.2716	0.2951	0.5782	0.039
H(12)	0.5975	0.6002	0.8462	0.035
H(13)	0.3654	0.6081	0.9183	0.042
H(14)	0.1770	0.5117	0.8400	0.042
H(15)	0.2224	0.4041	0.6950	0.037
H(17)	0.8241	0.5210	0.8996	0.029
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*The exponent takes the form: $-8\pi^2 U \sin^2\theta/\lambda^2$



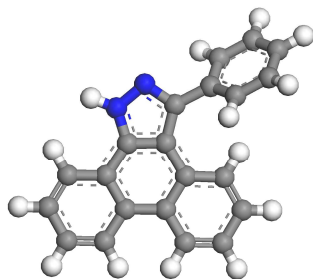
ORTEP drawing of $C_{21}H_{14}N_2$ with 50% probability ellipsoids, showing the atomic numbering scheme.



A packing view along the a direction

C. Computational details

(1) **2a**



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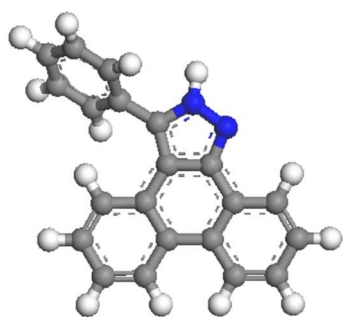
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(2) **2a** tautomer



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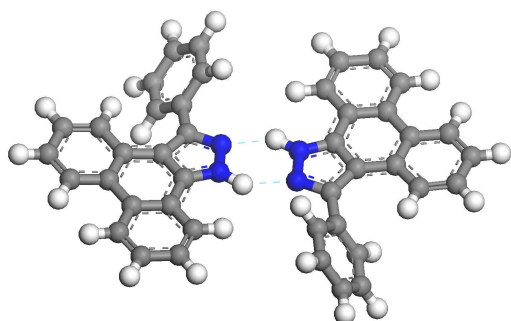
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(3) **2a**·dimer-*anti*



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Charge: 0

Multiplicity: 1

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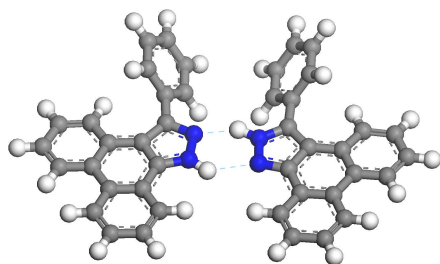
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(4) **2a/2a** tautomer dimer-syn



Name: **2a/2a** tautomer dimer-syn

Charge: 0

Multiplicity: 1

E(RB3LYP) = -1837.28530929 Ha

Corrected Total Energy = -1837.28493018

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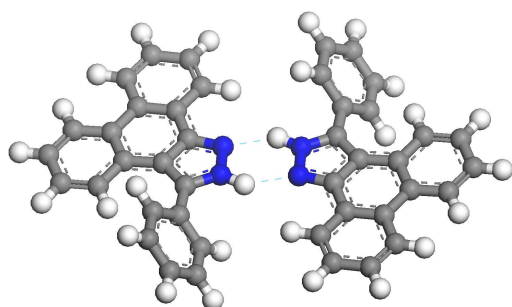
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(5) **2a** tautomer-anti



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Name: **2a** tautomer-anti

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Charge: 0

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Multiplicity: 1

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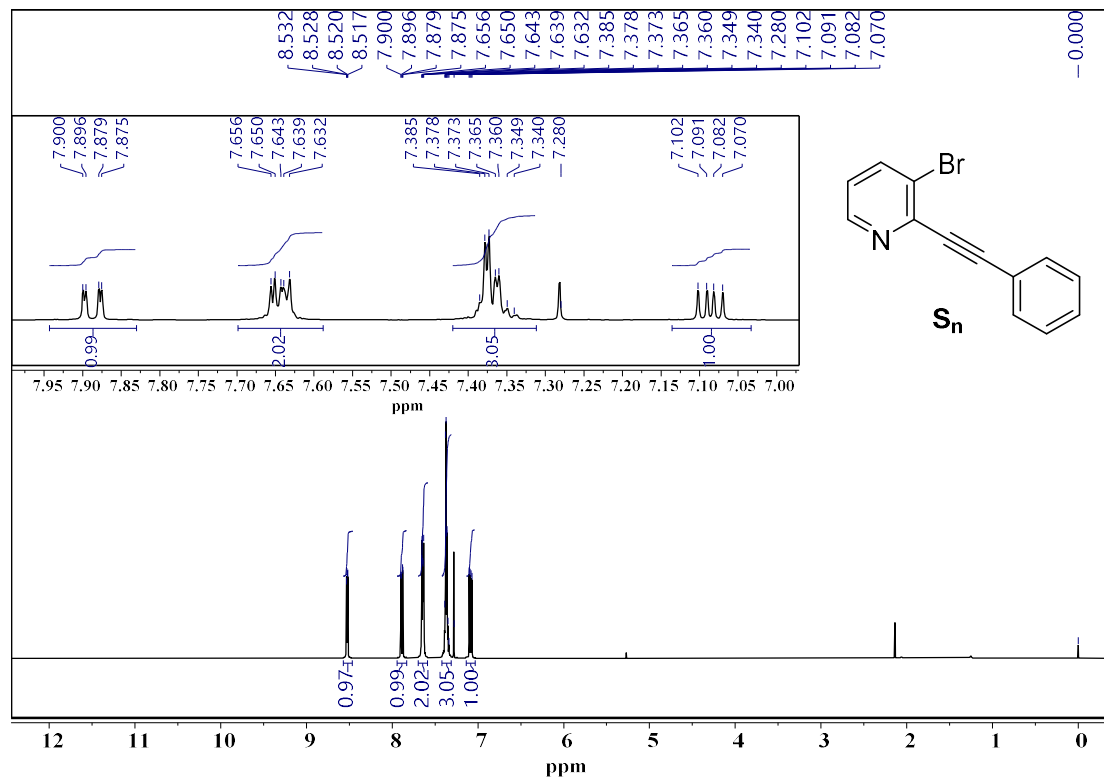
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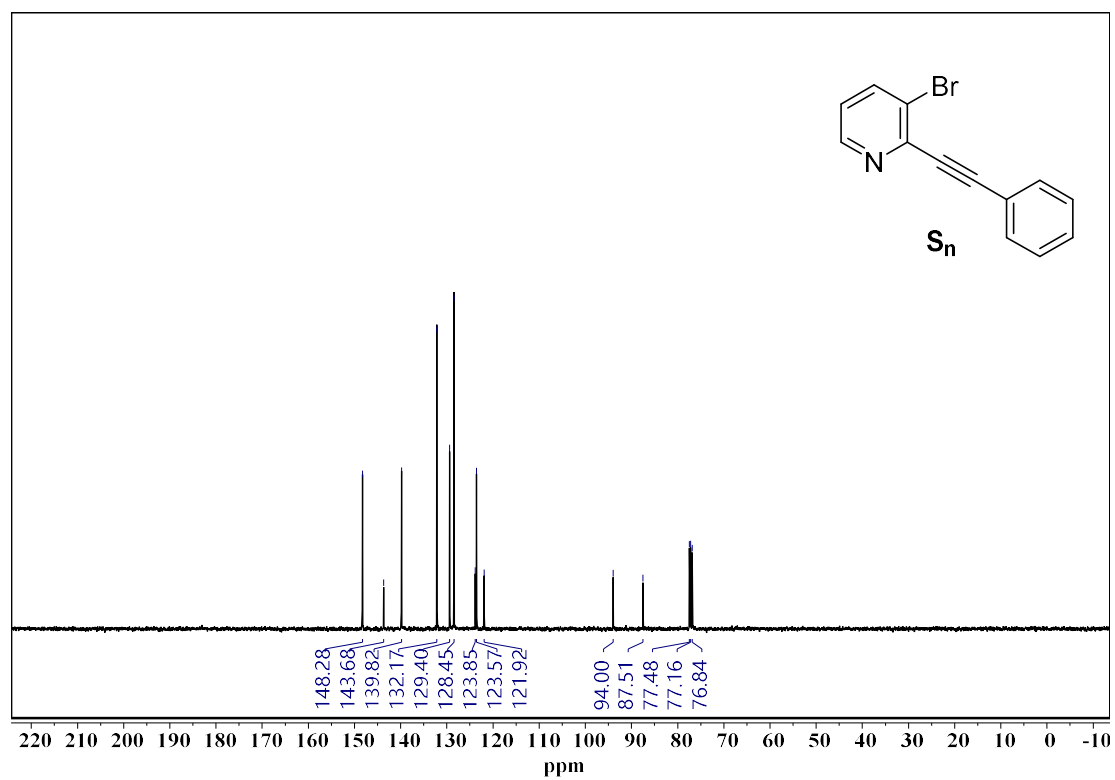
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D. NMR charts

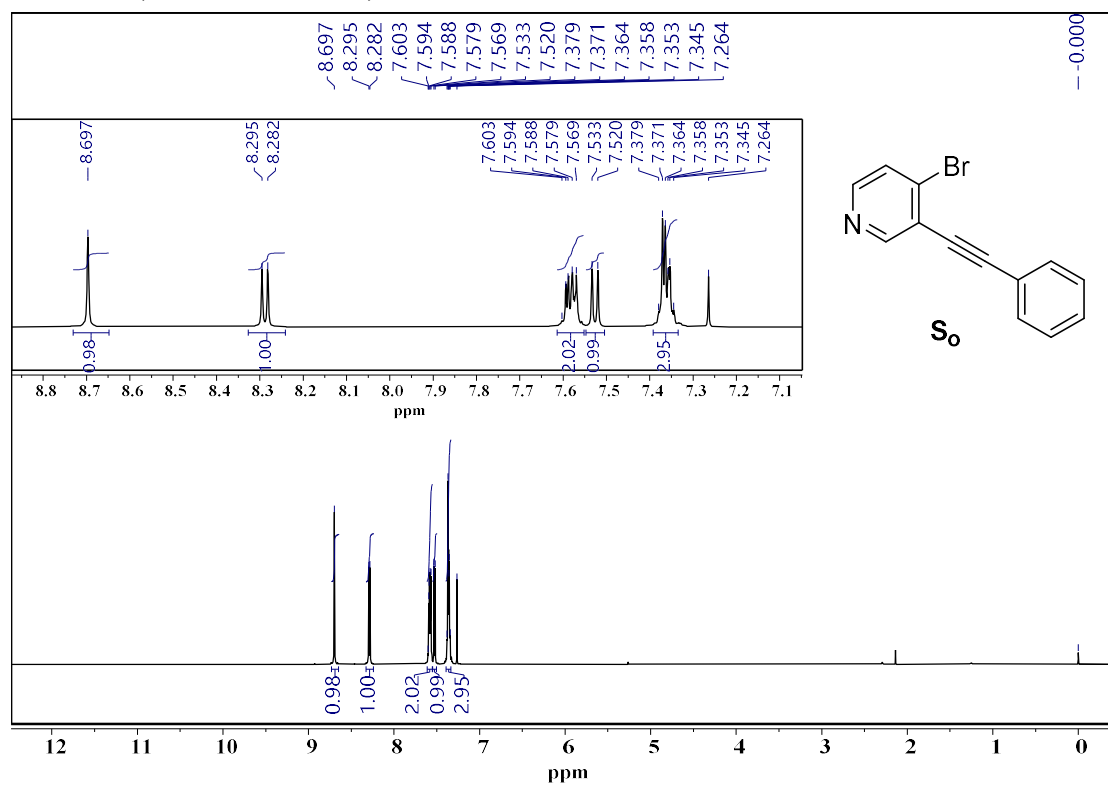
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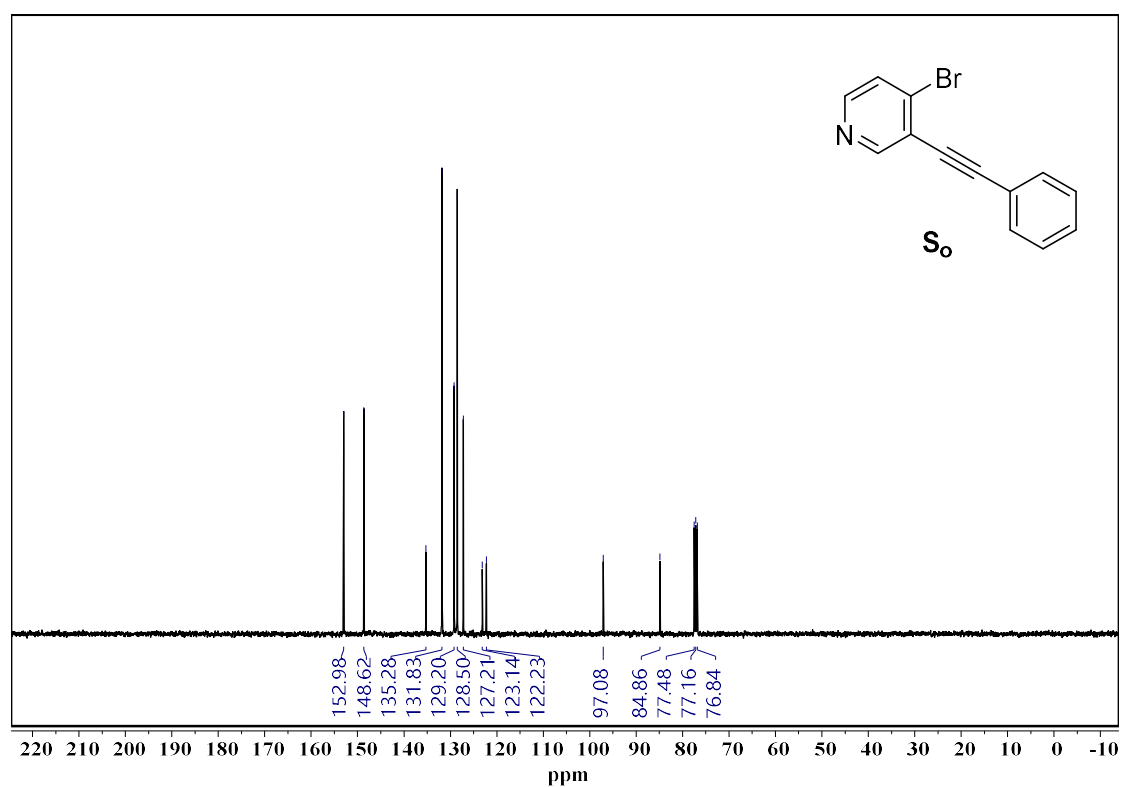
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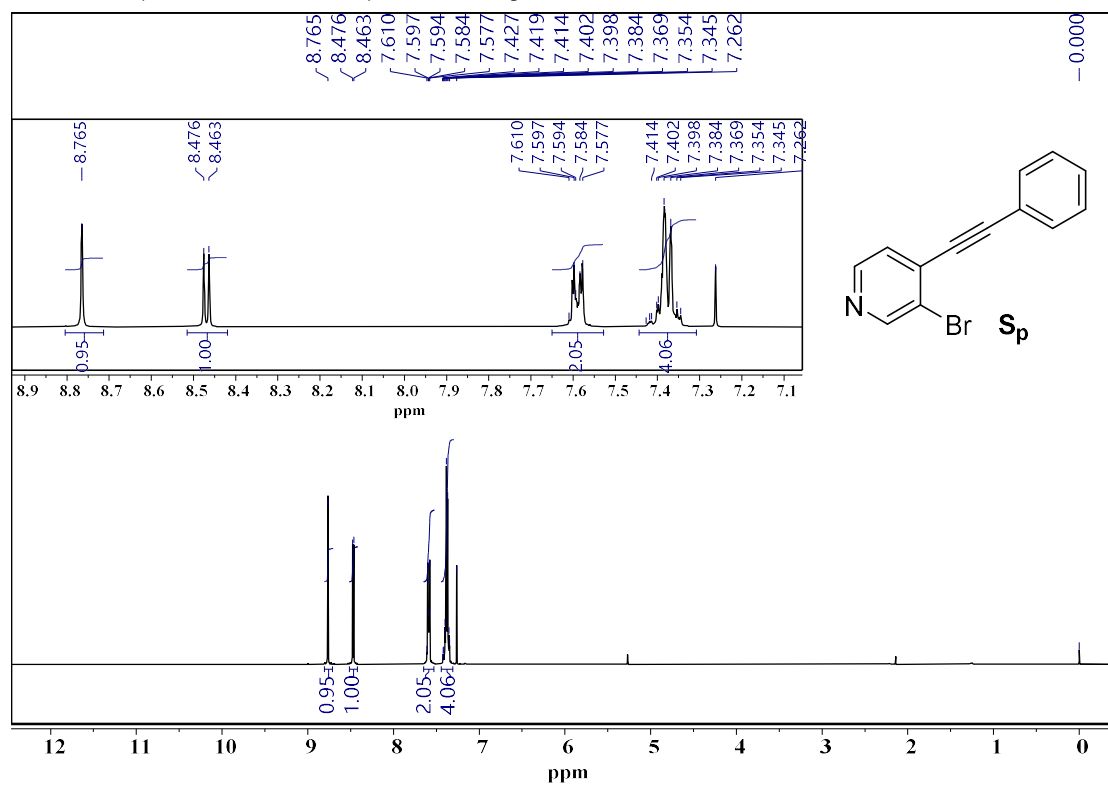
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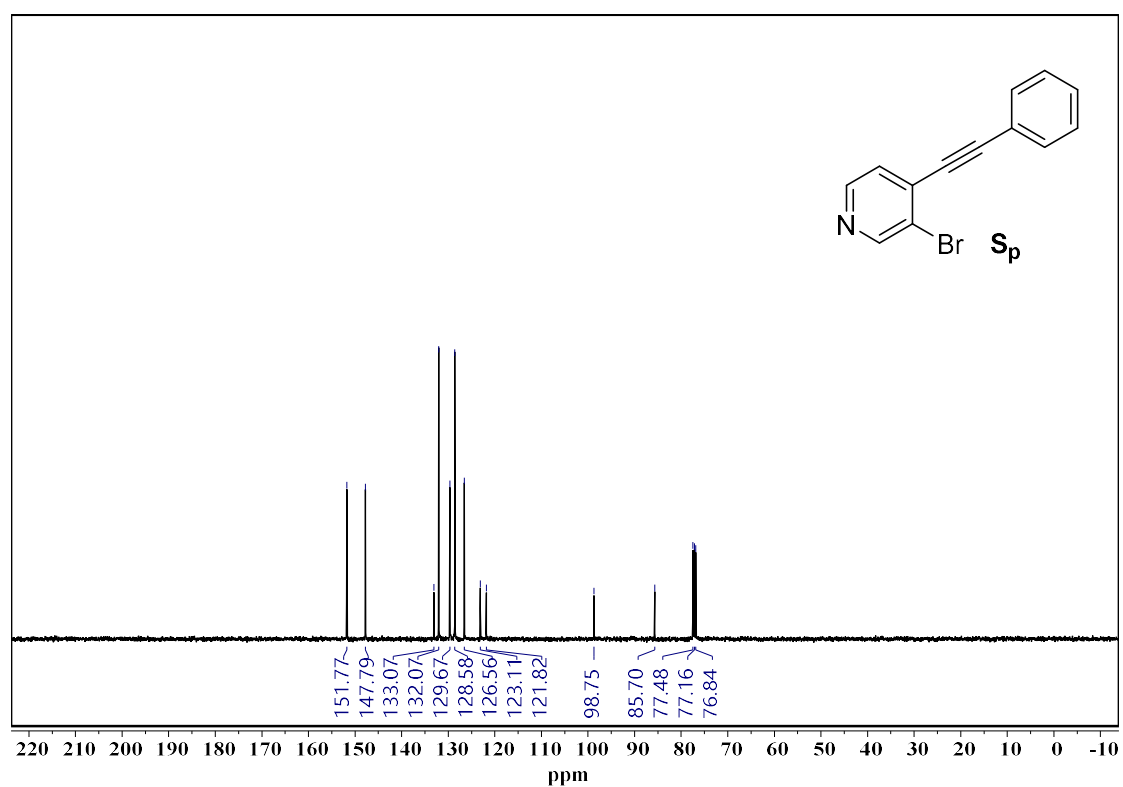
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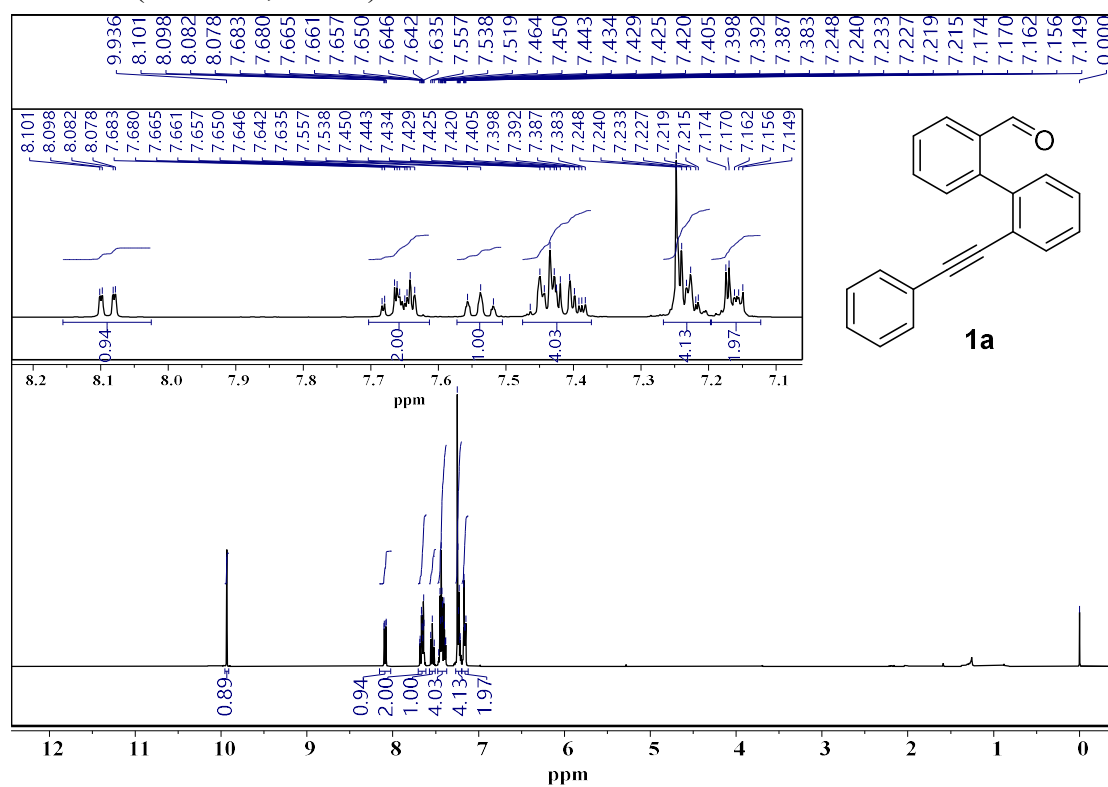
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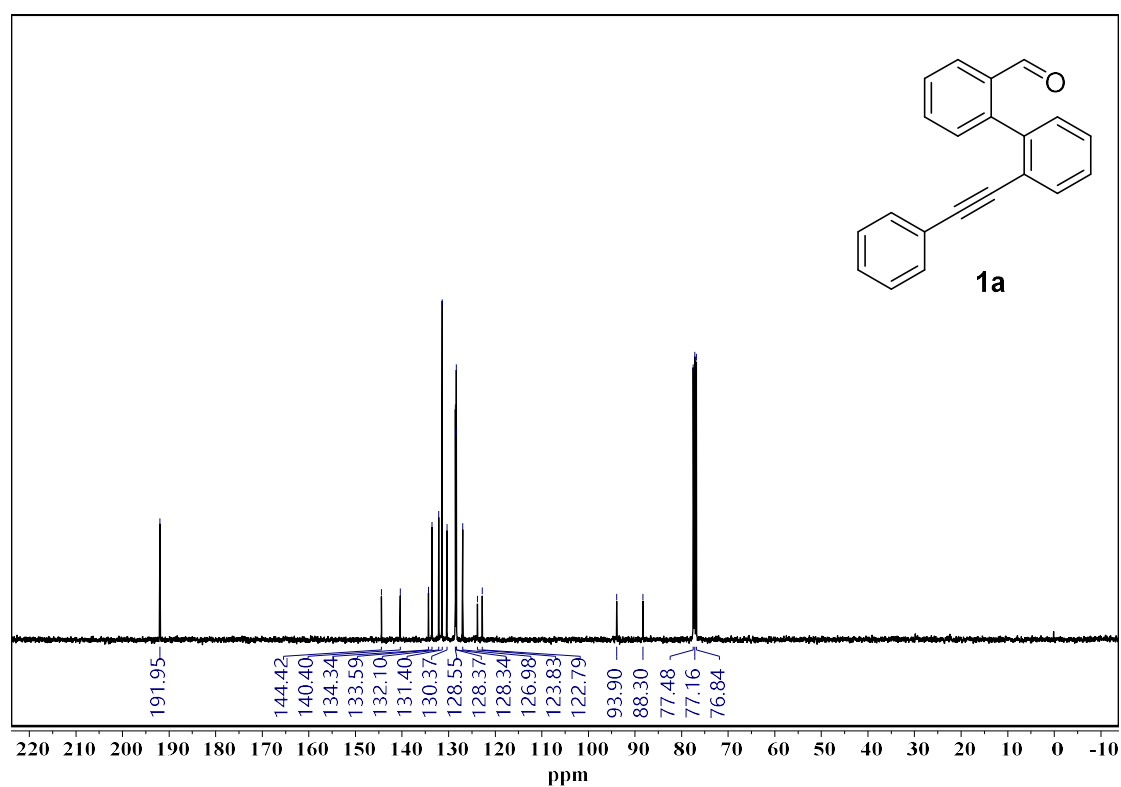
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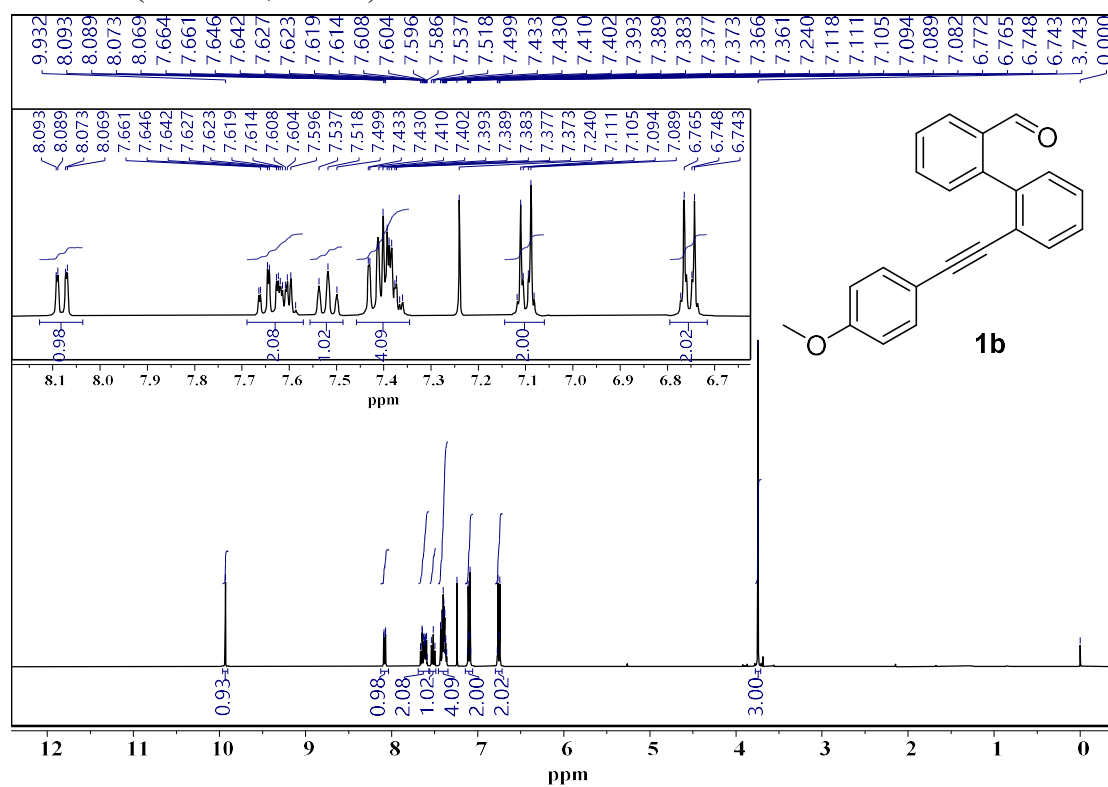
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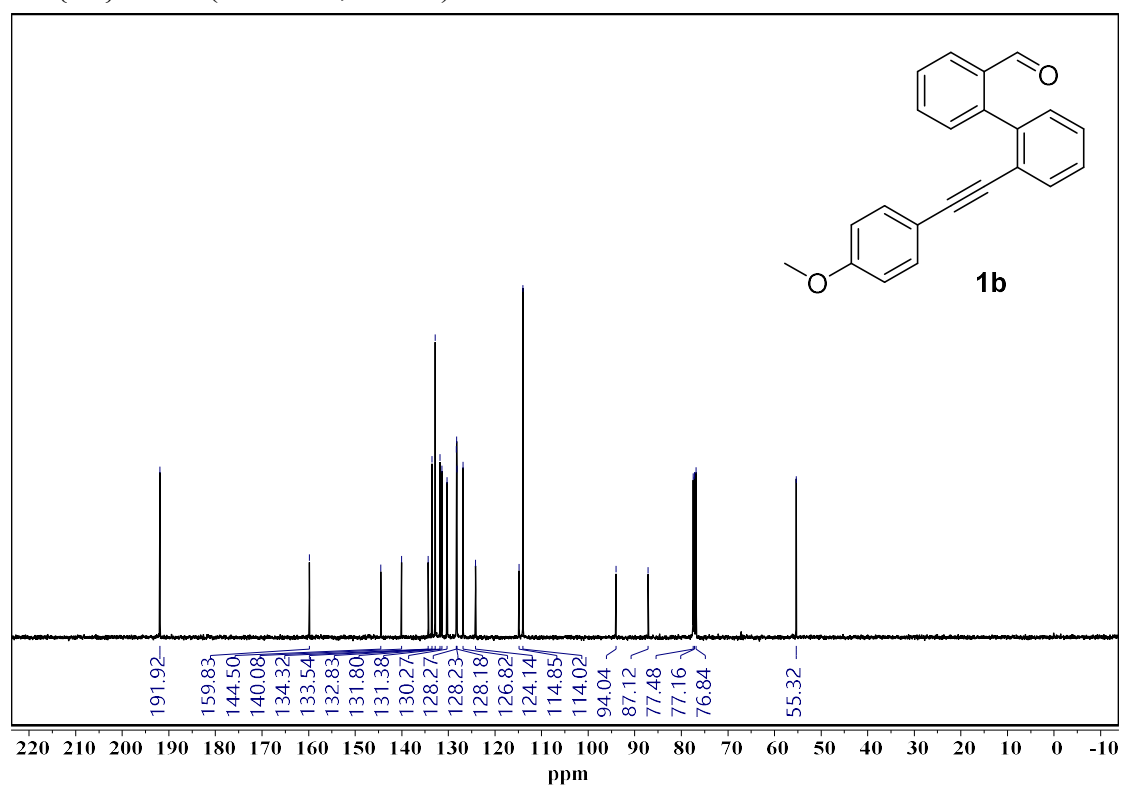
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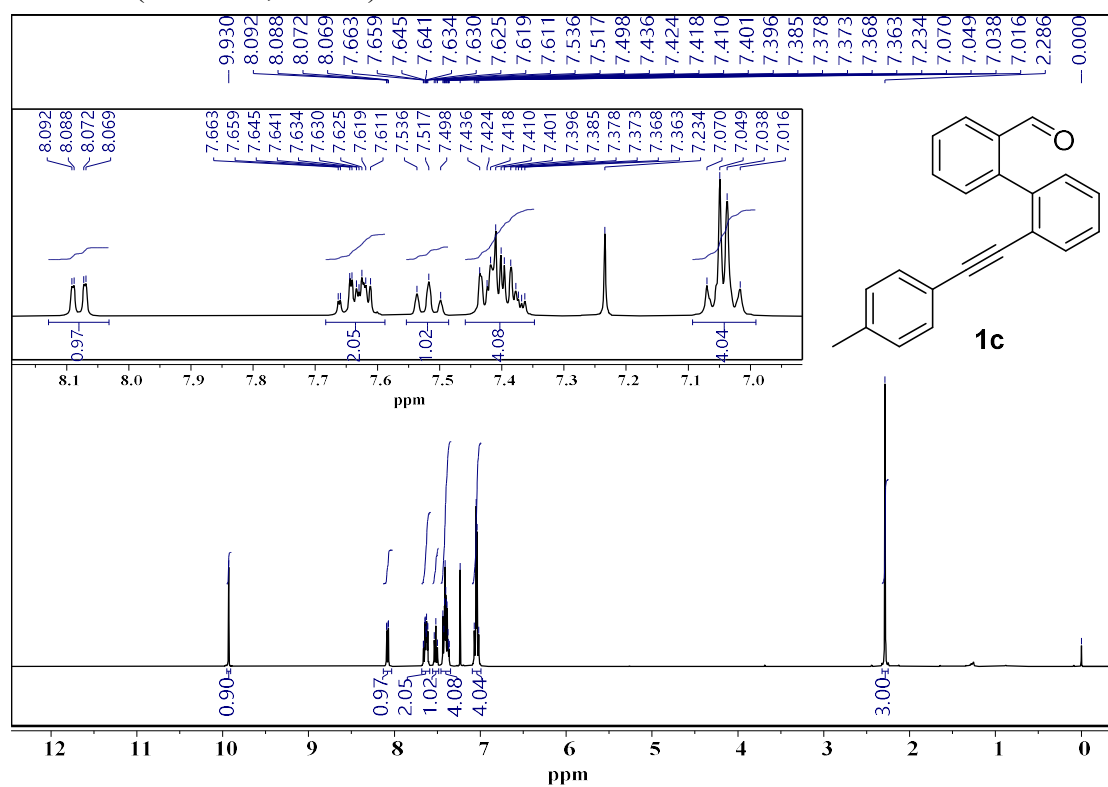
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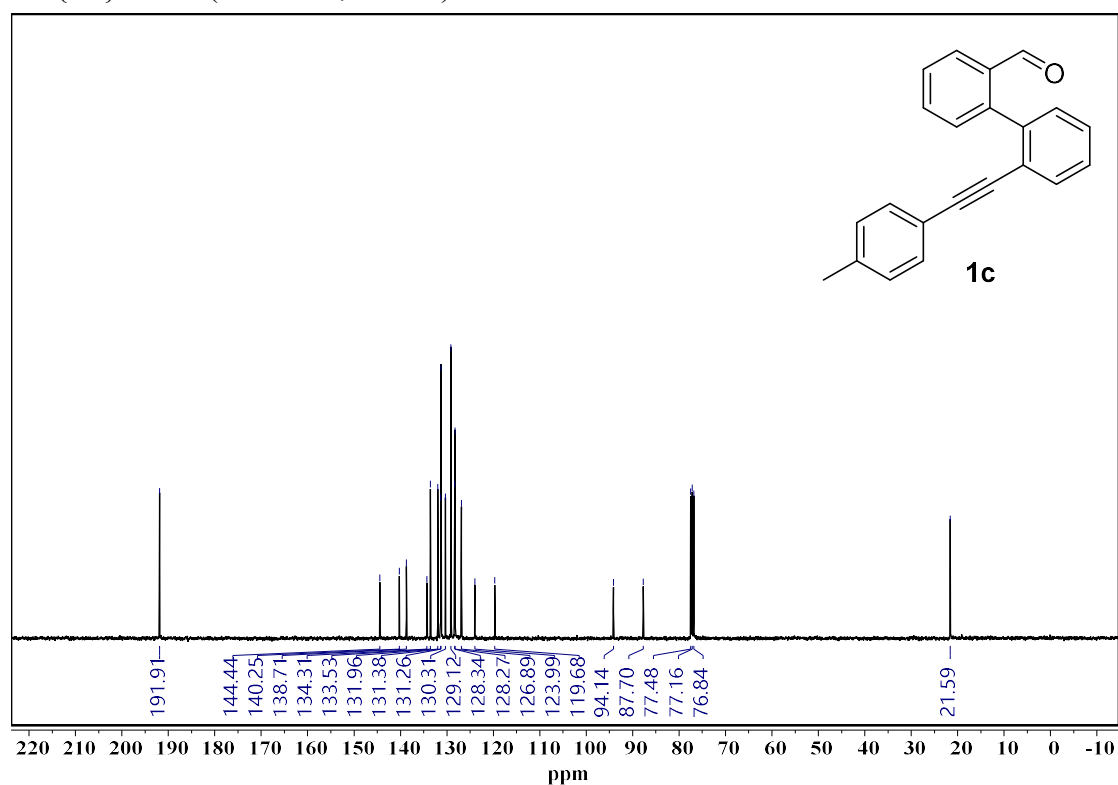
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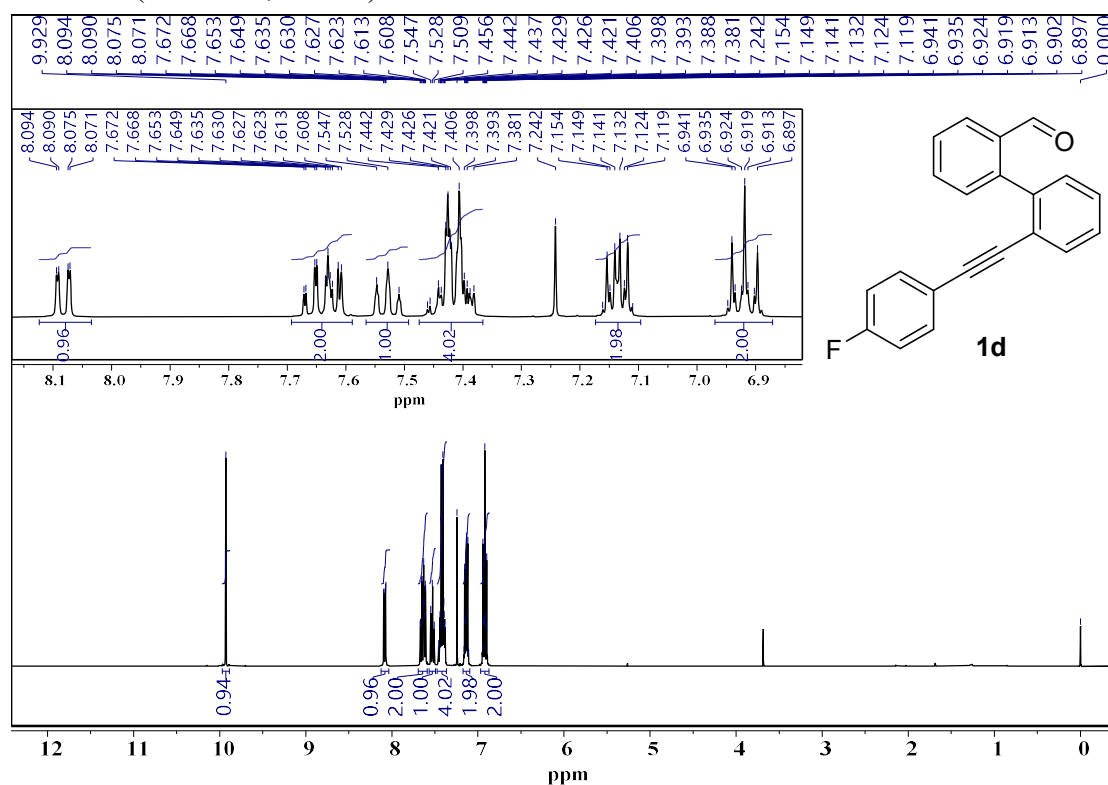
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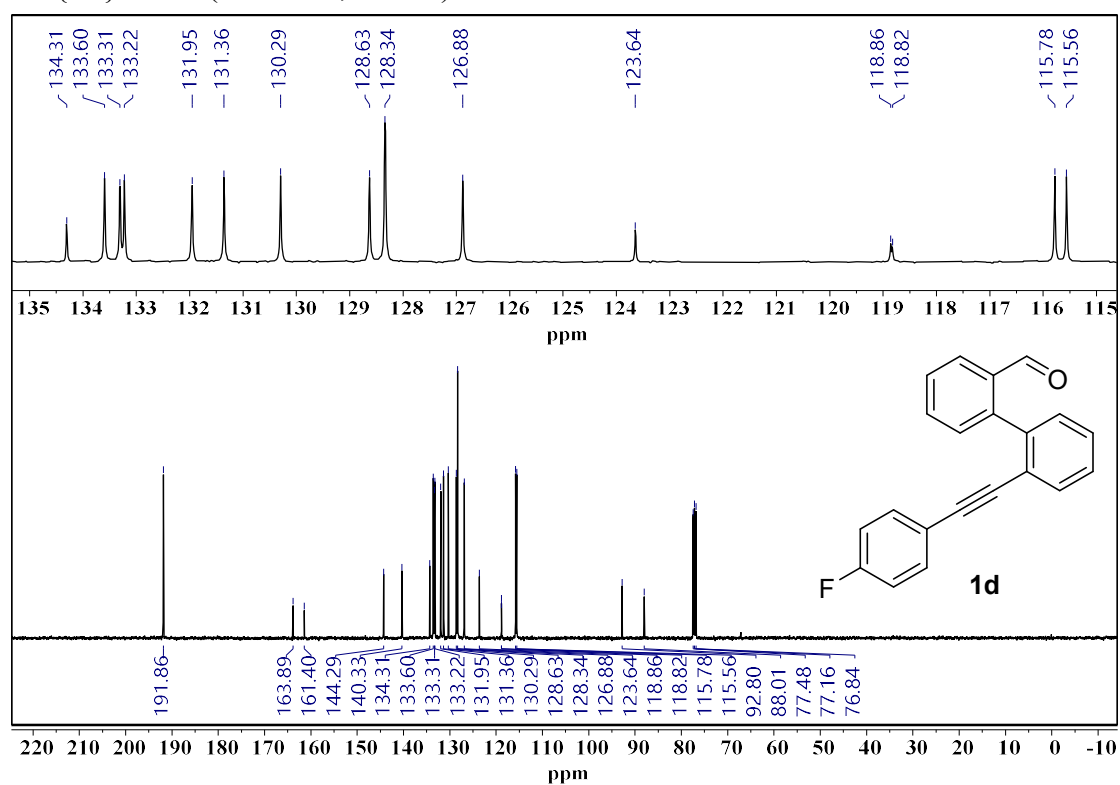
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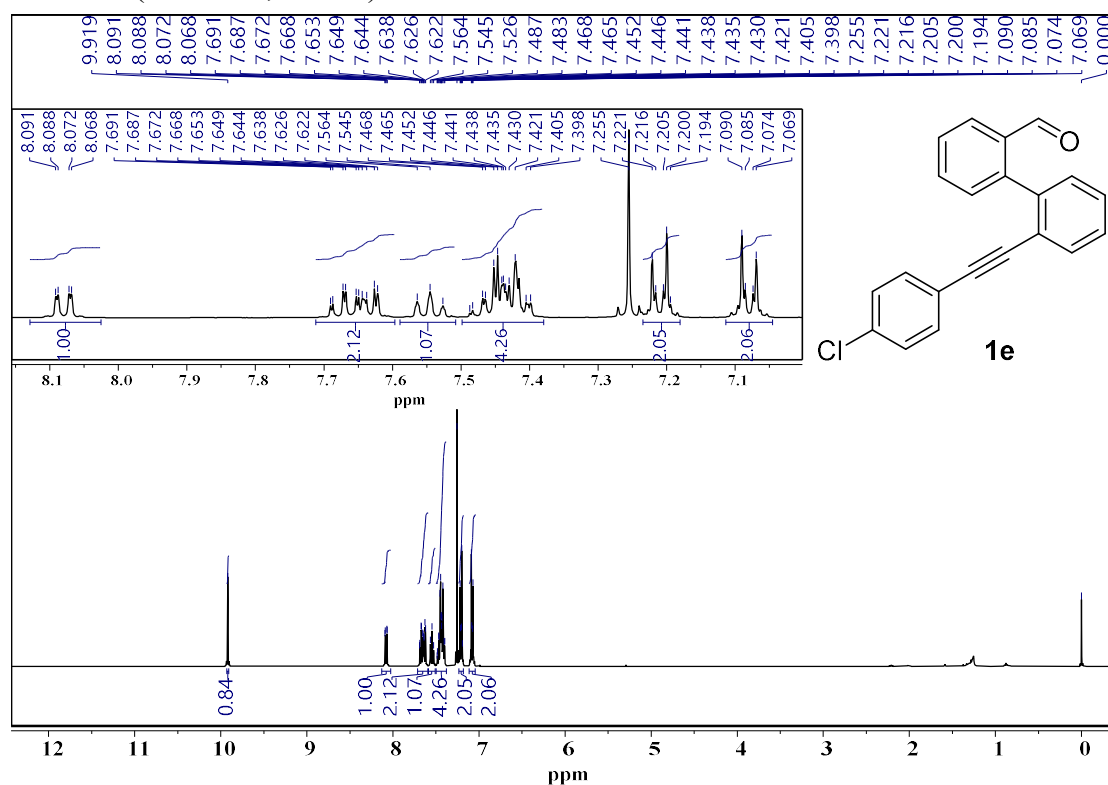
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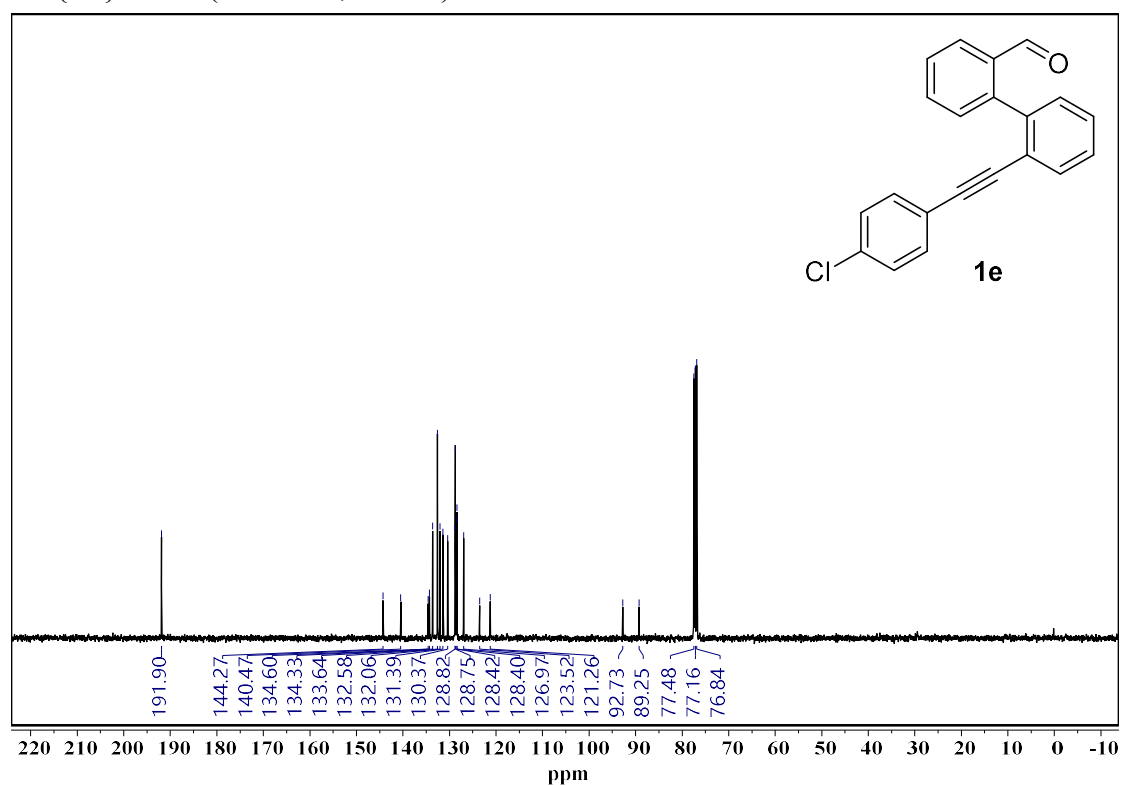
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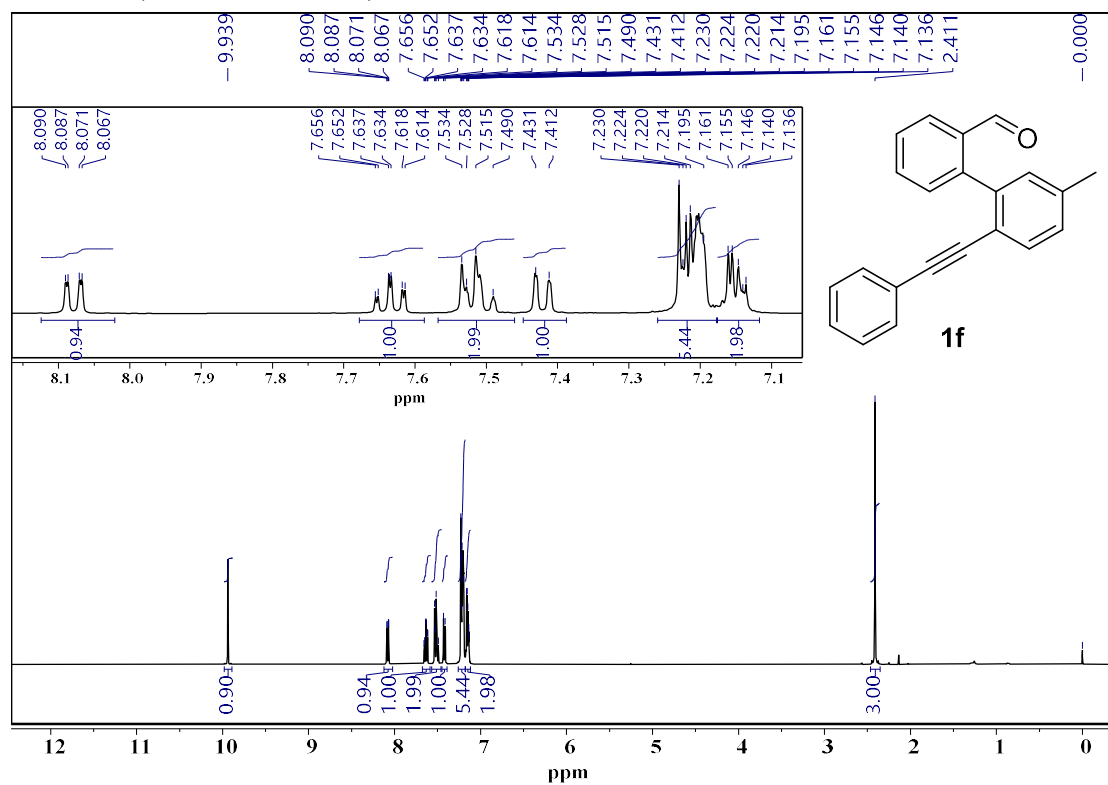
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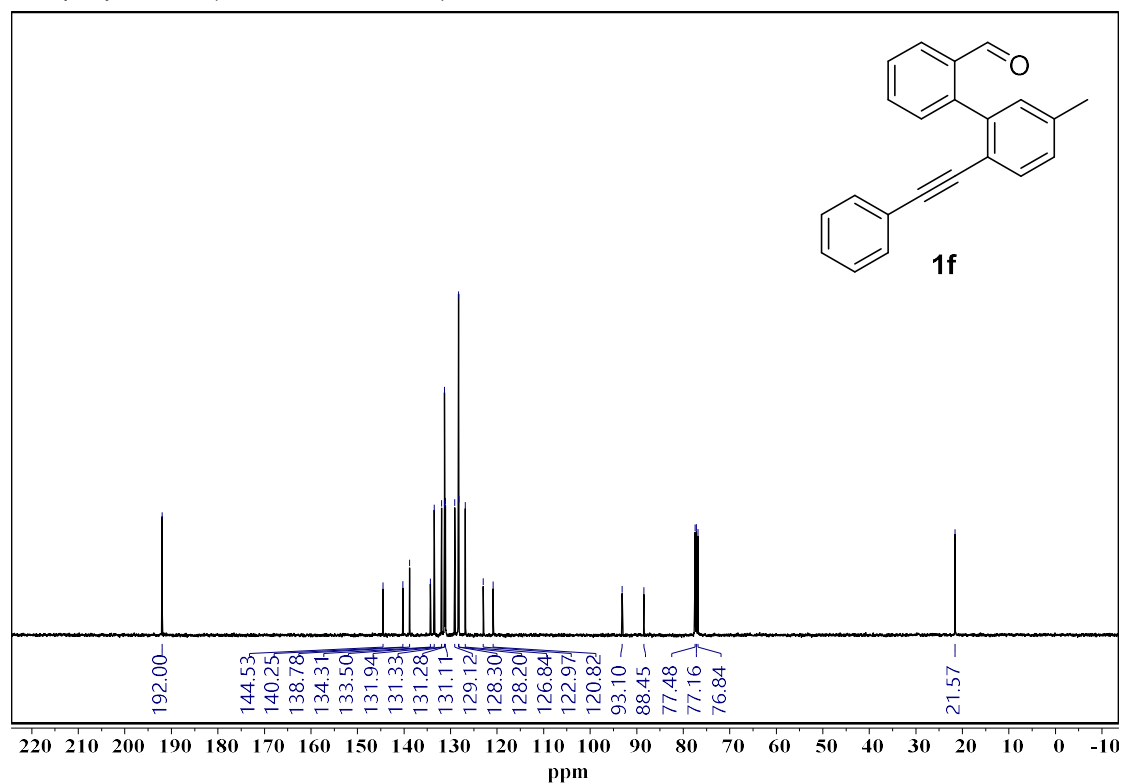
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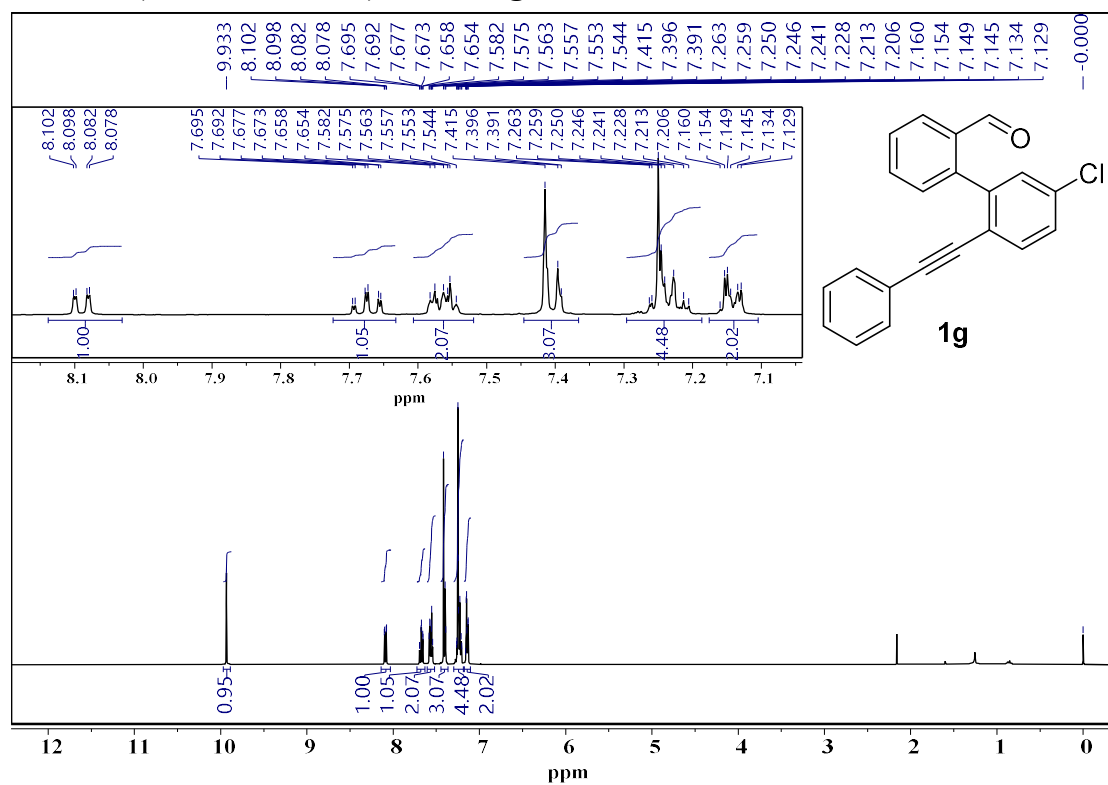
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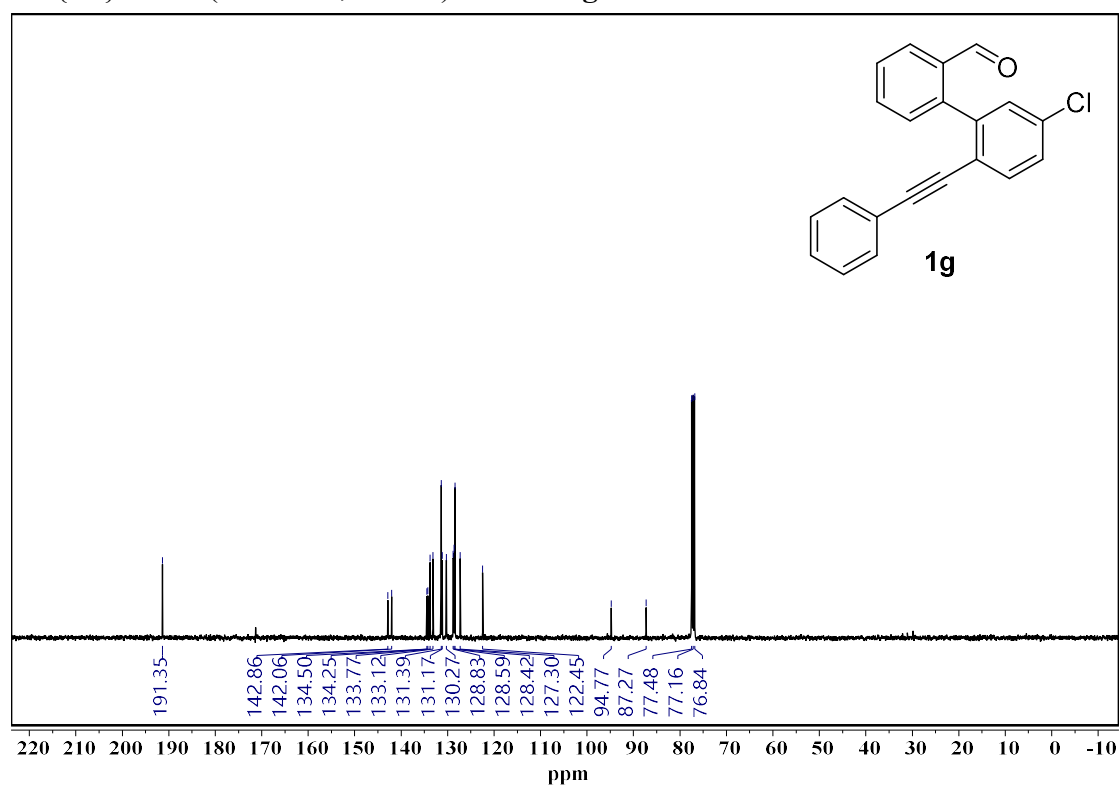
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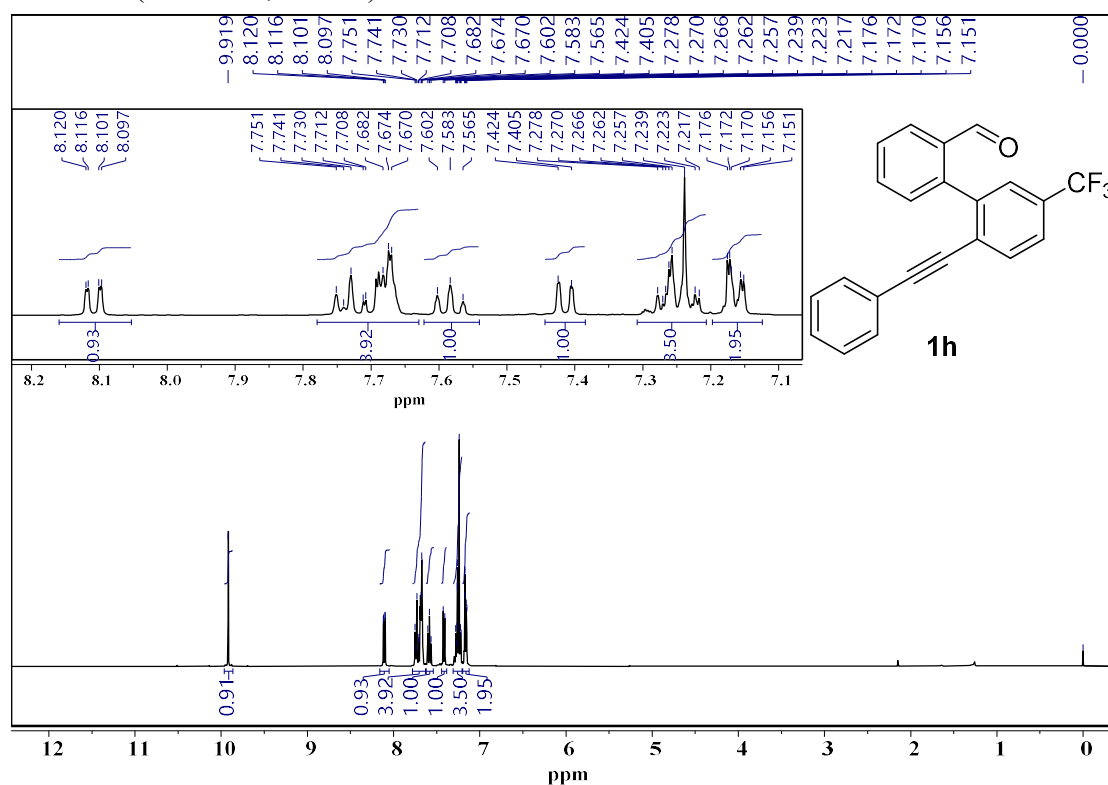
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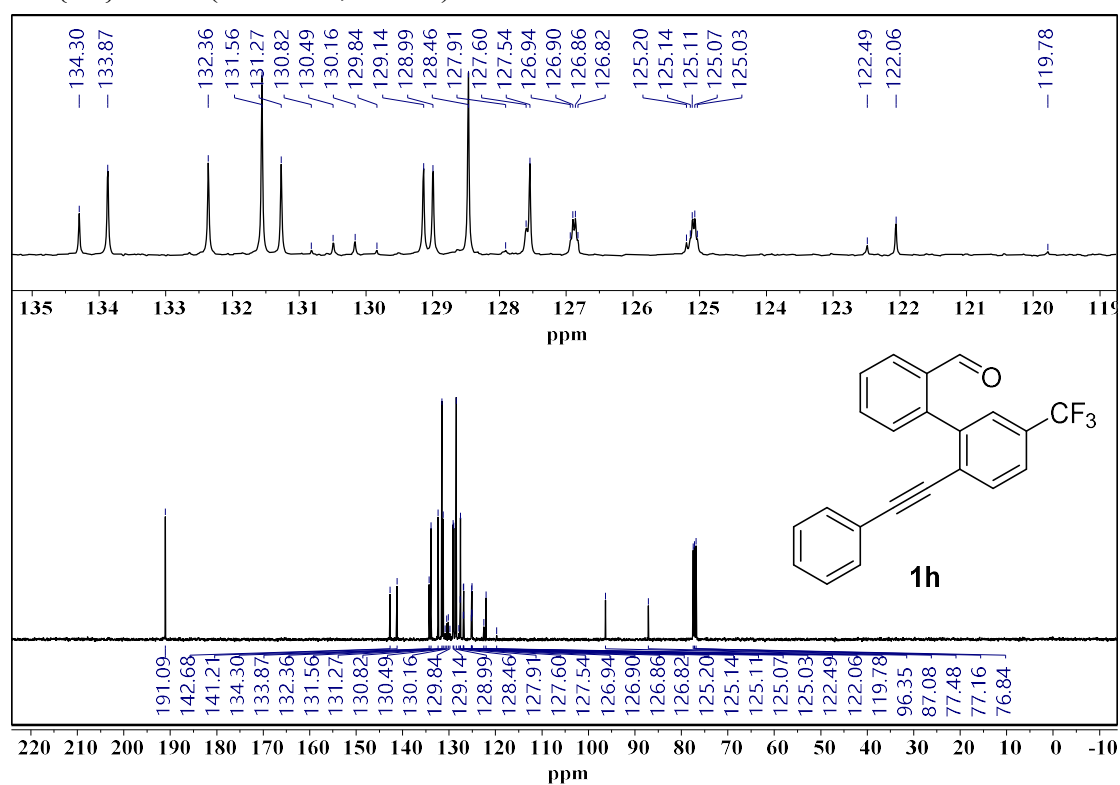
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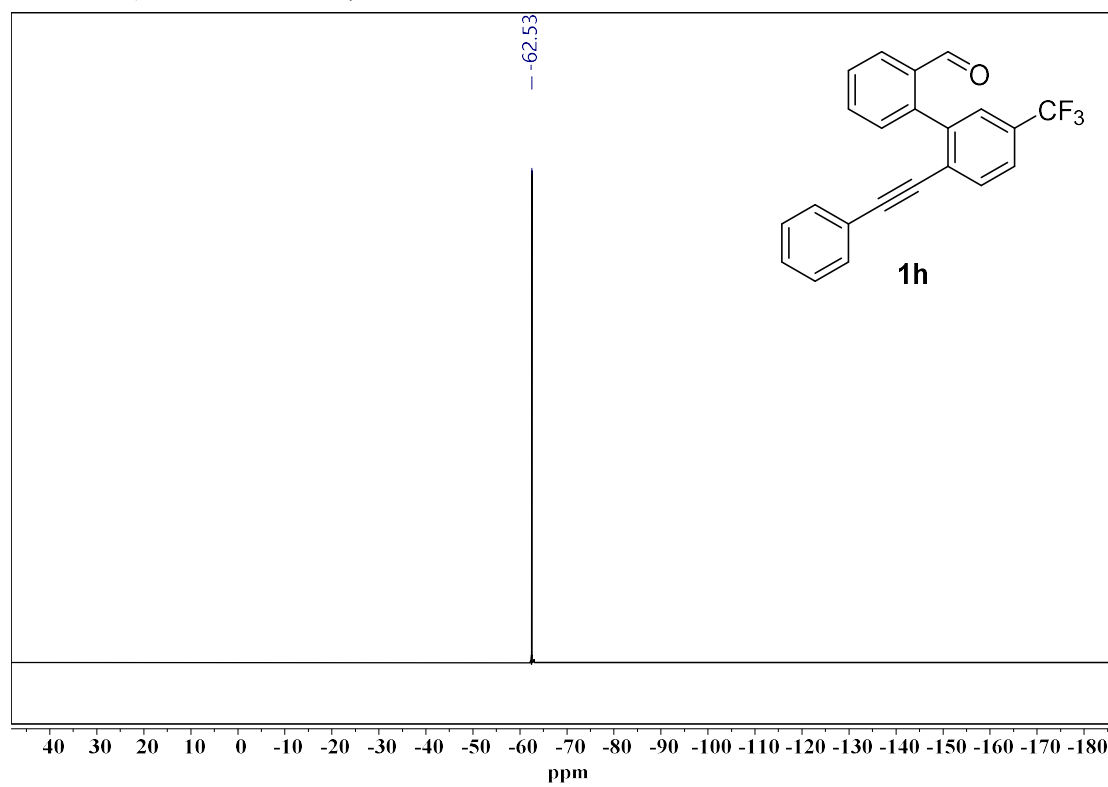
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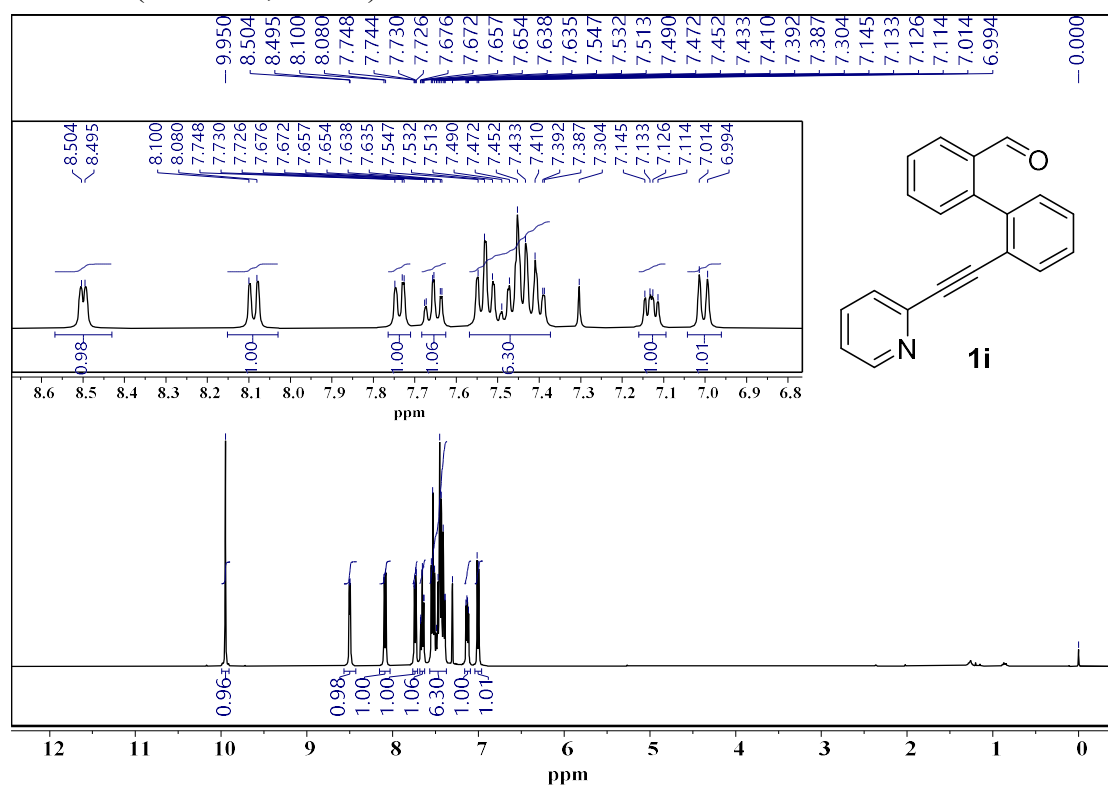
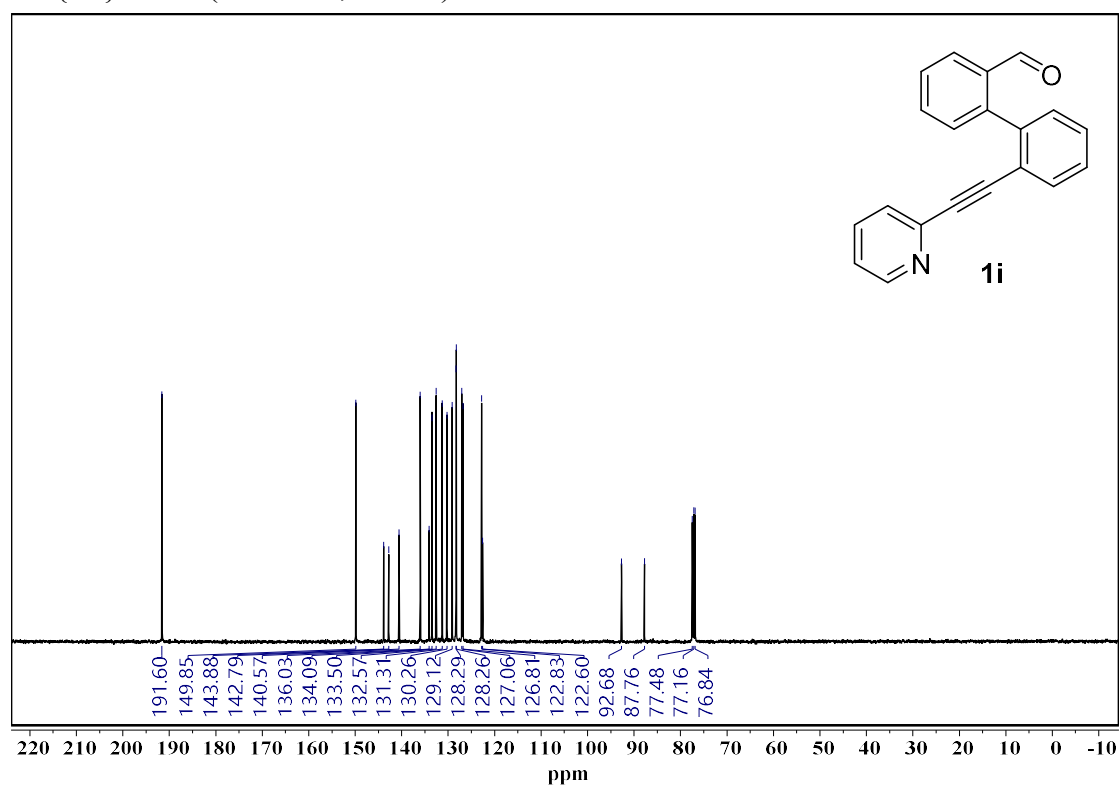


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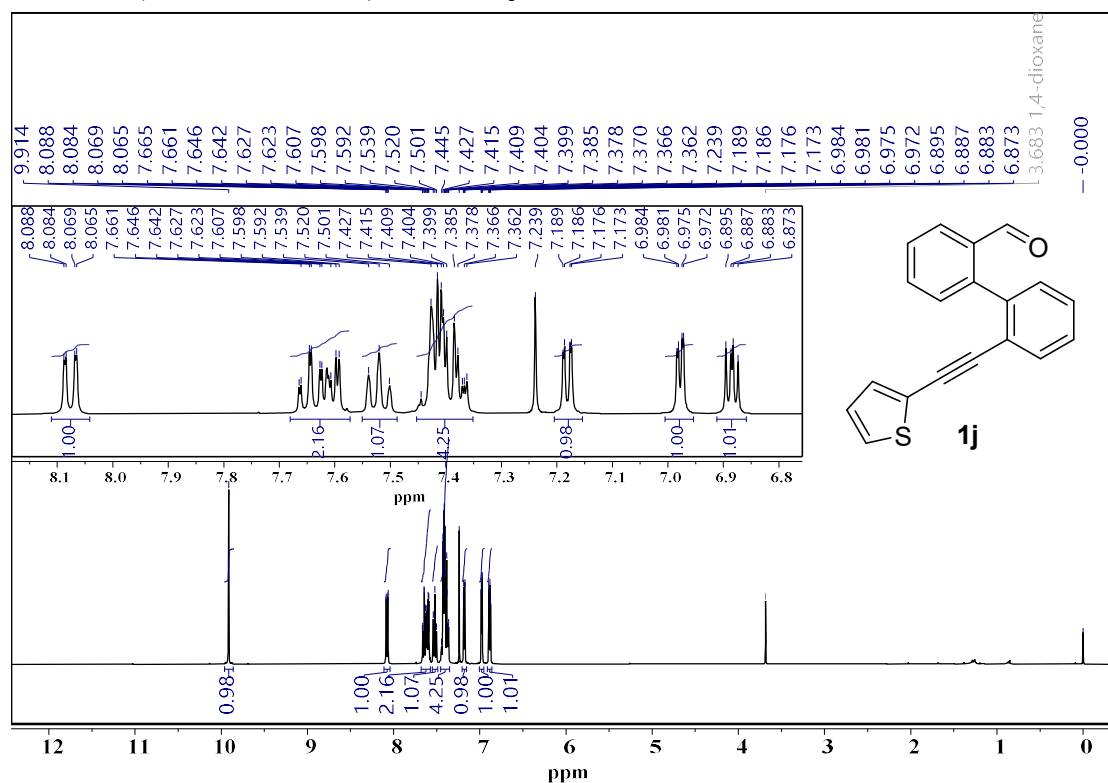


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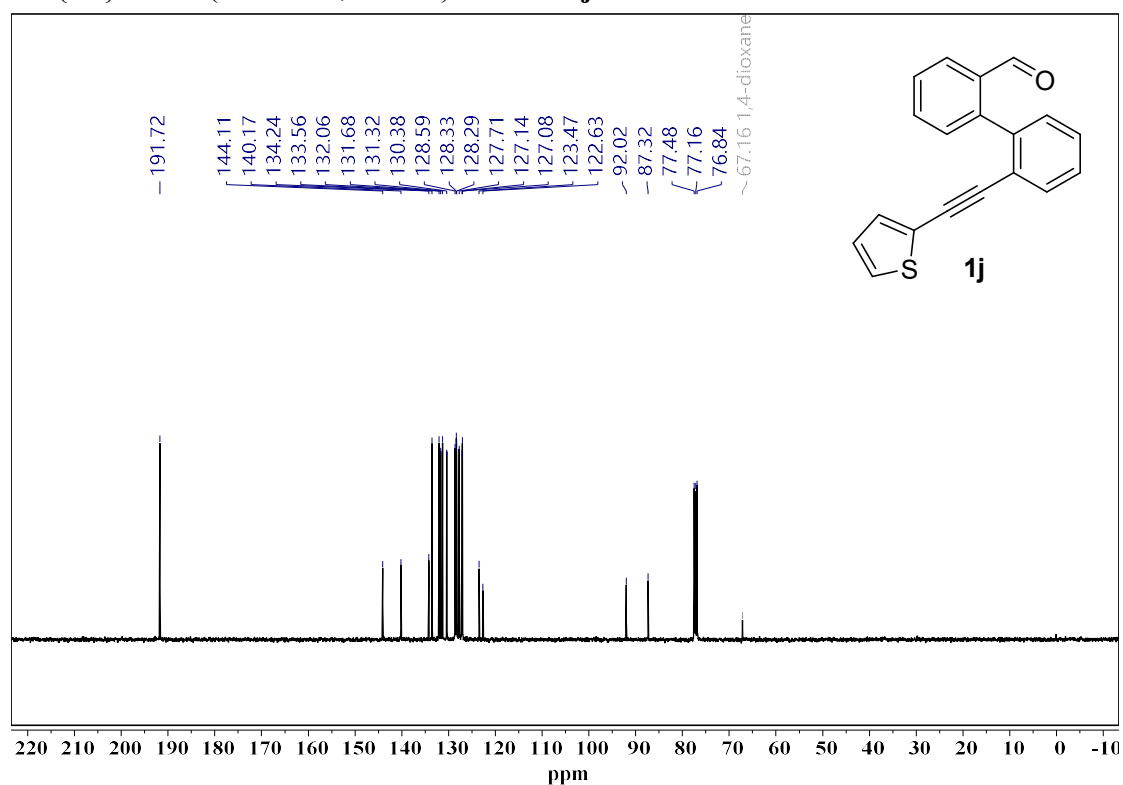


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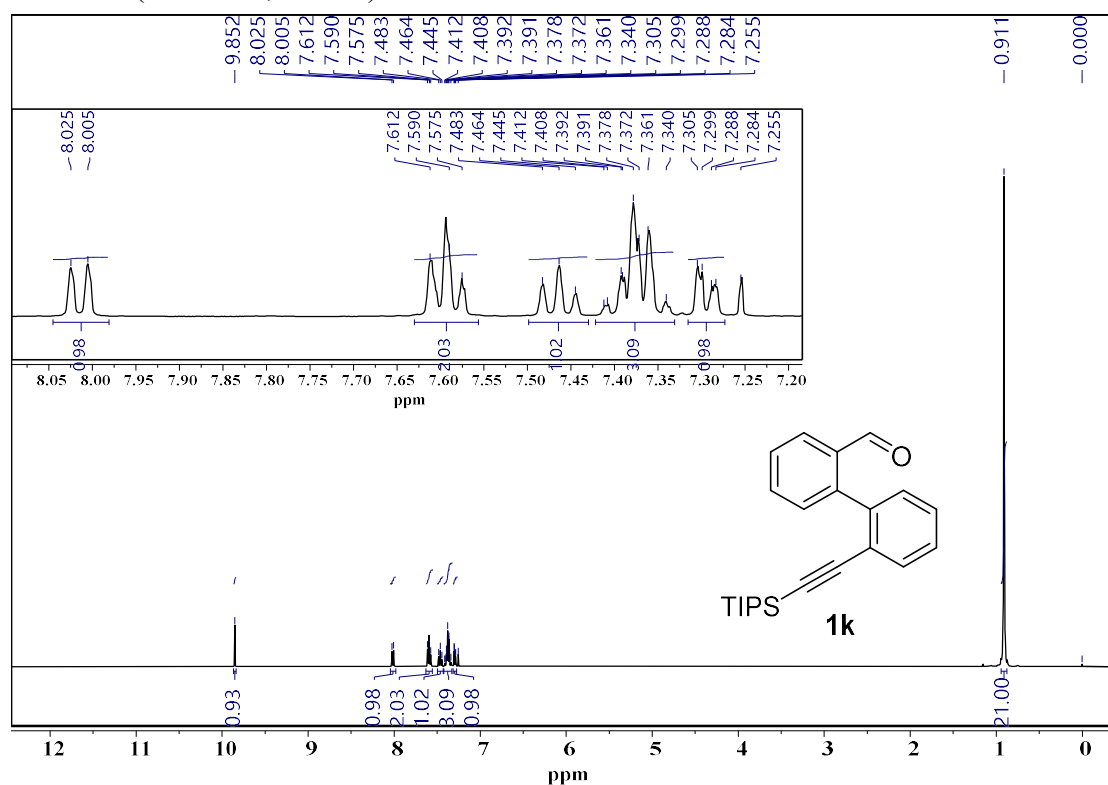
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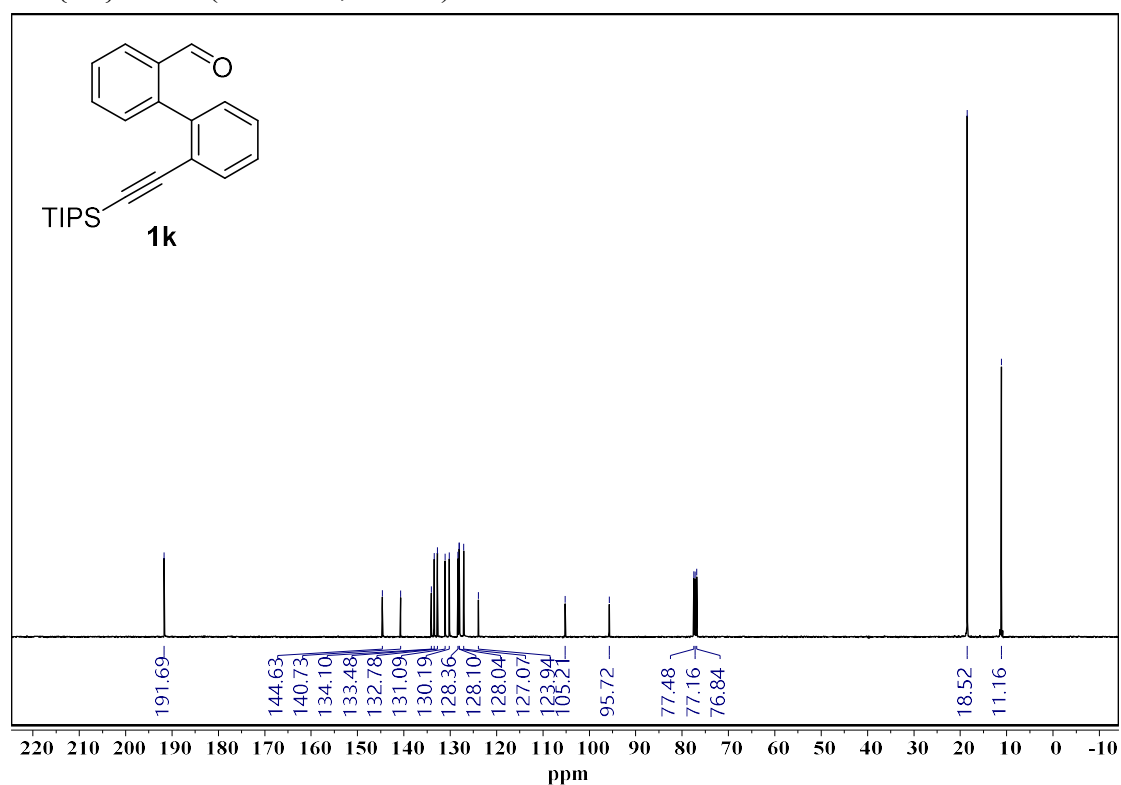
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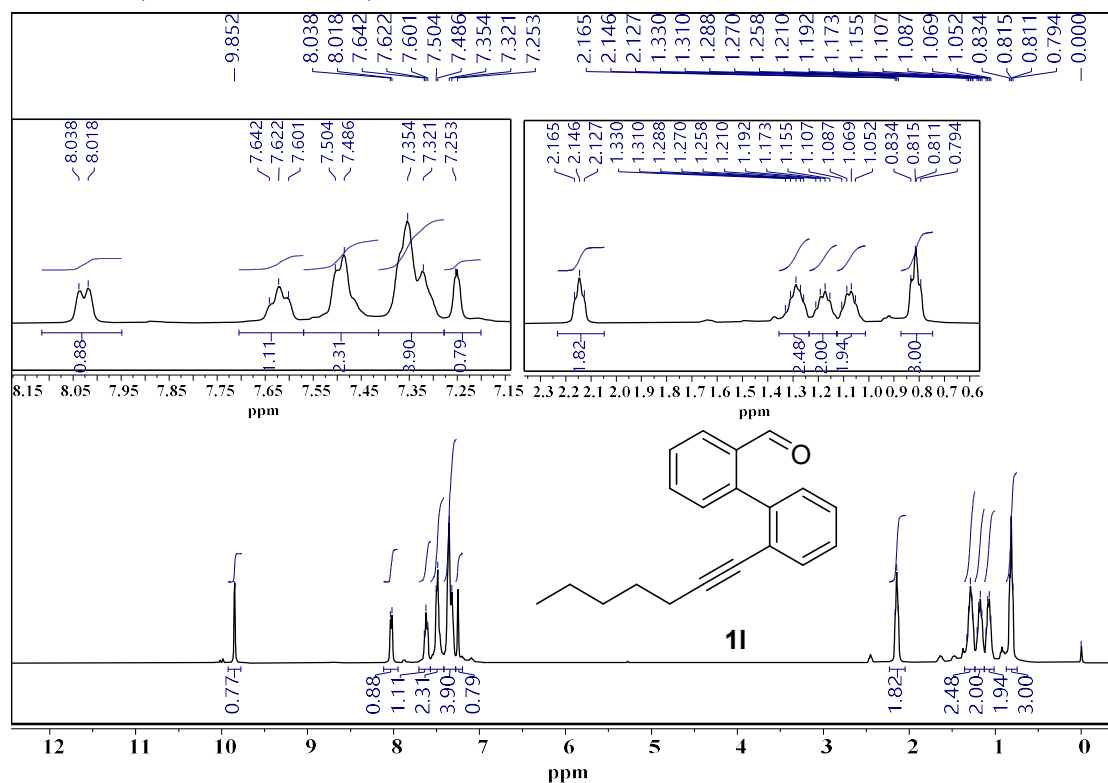
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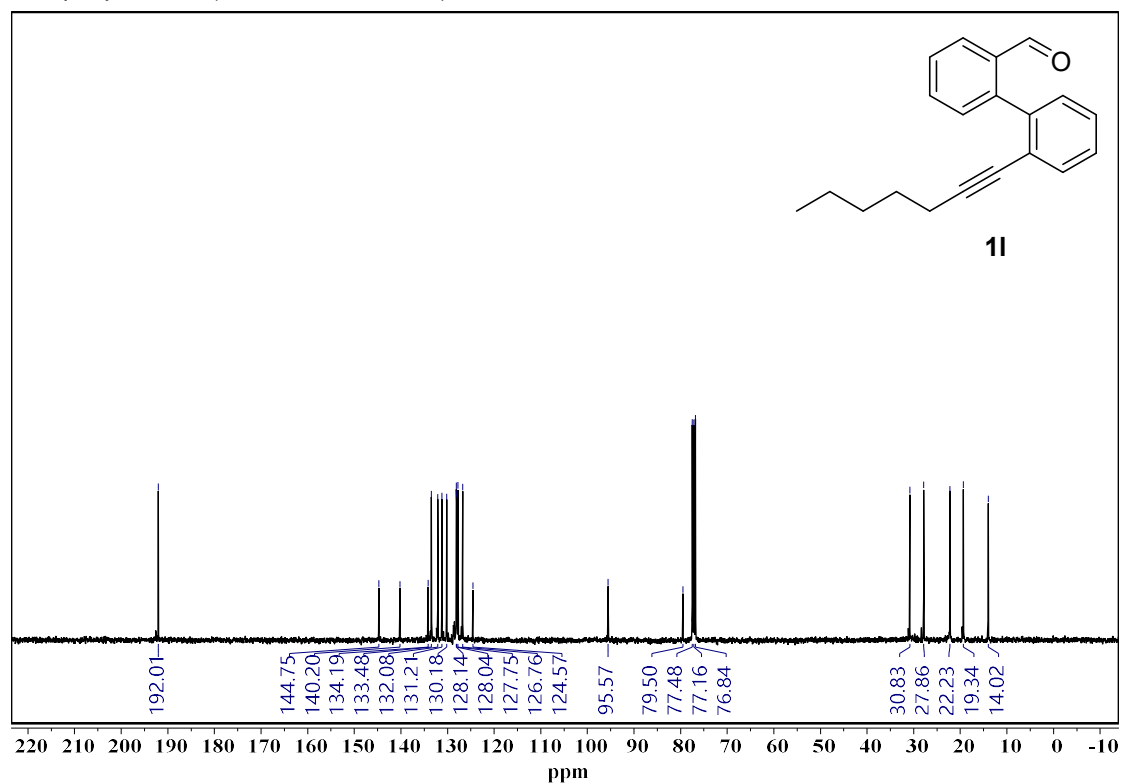
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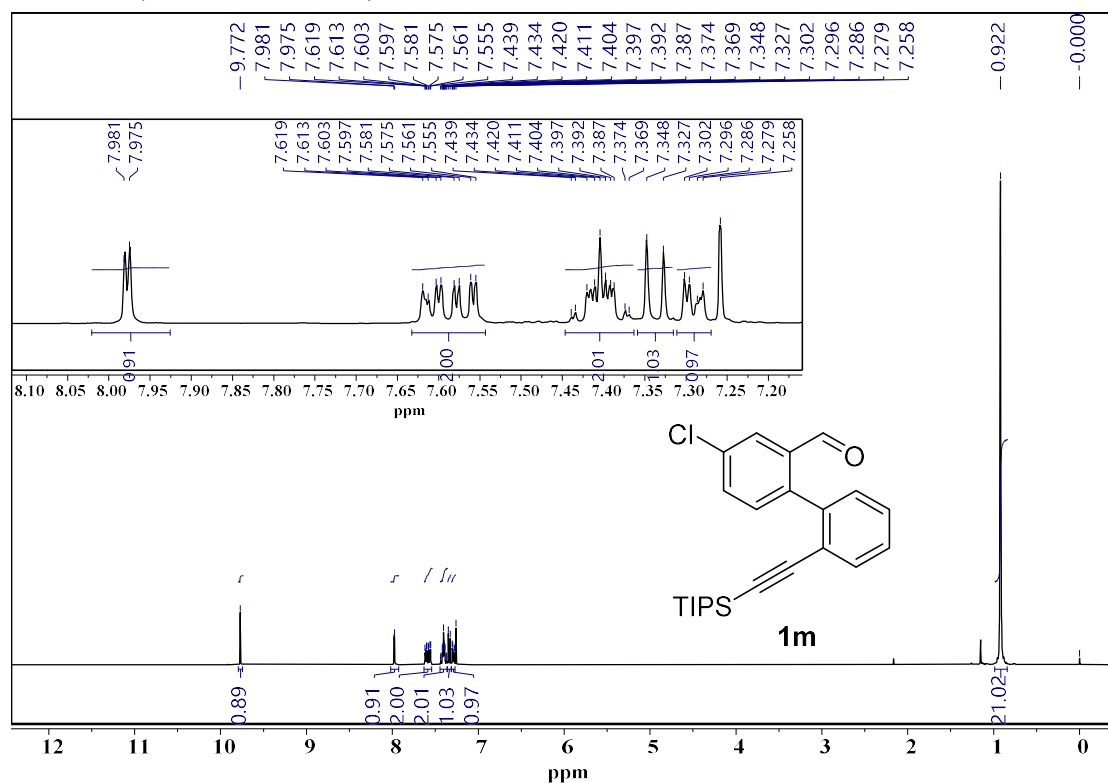
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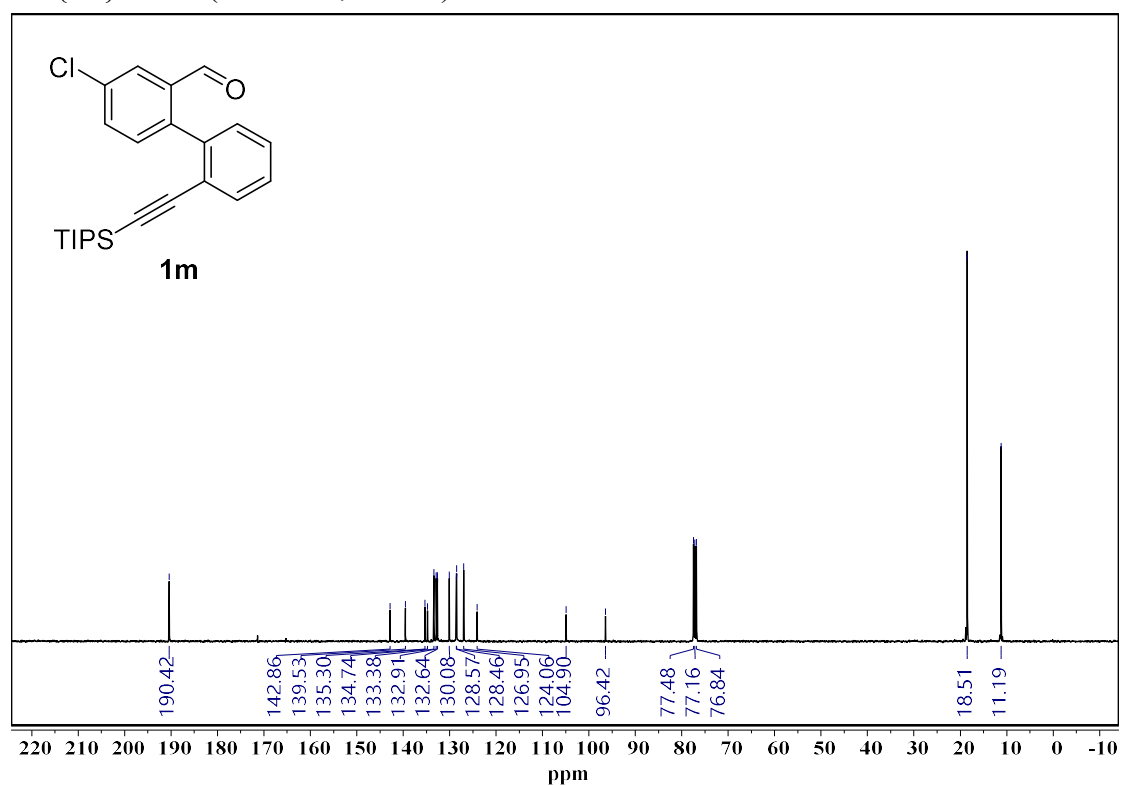
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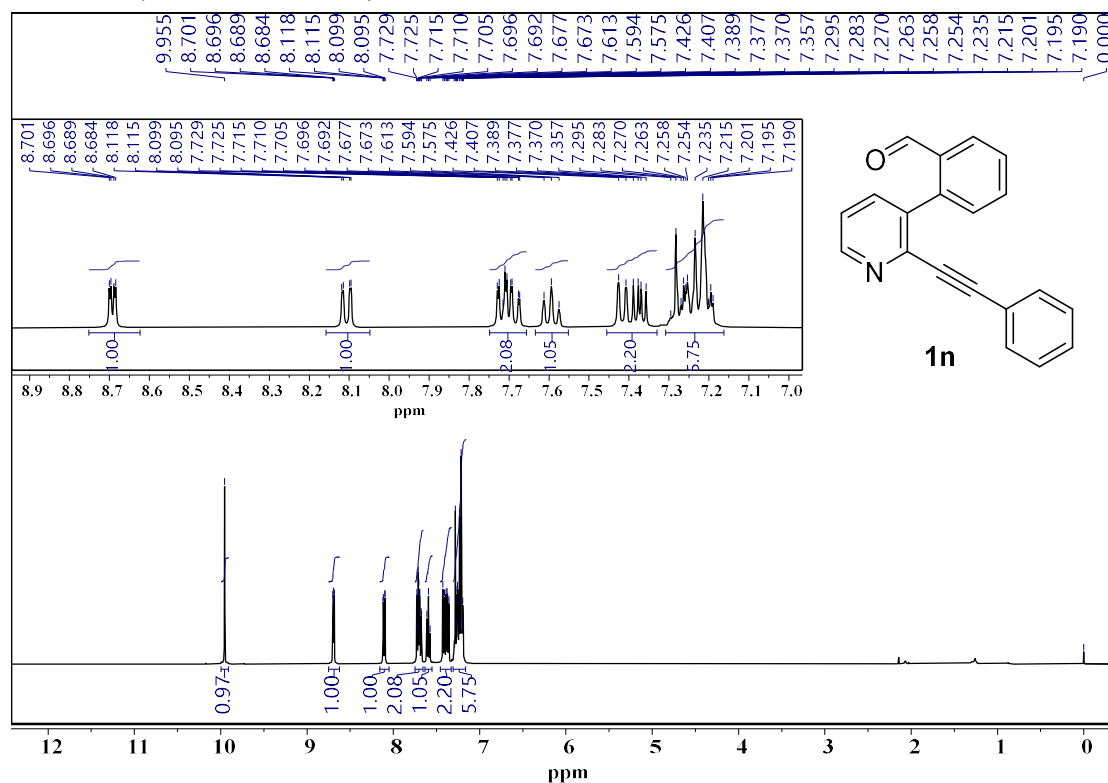
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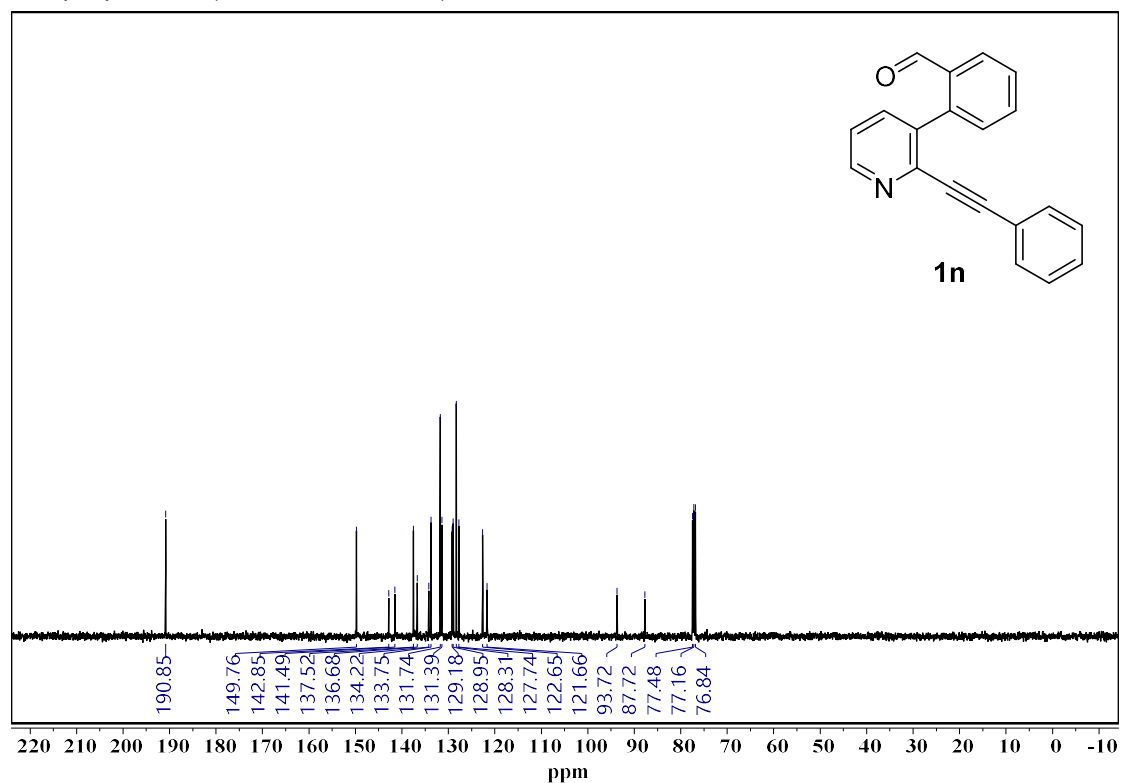
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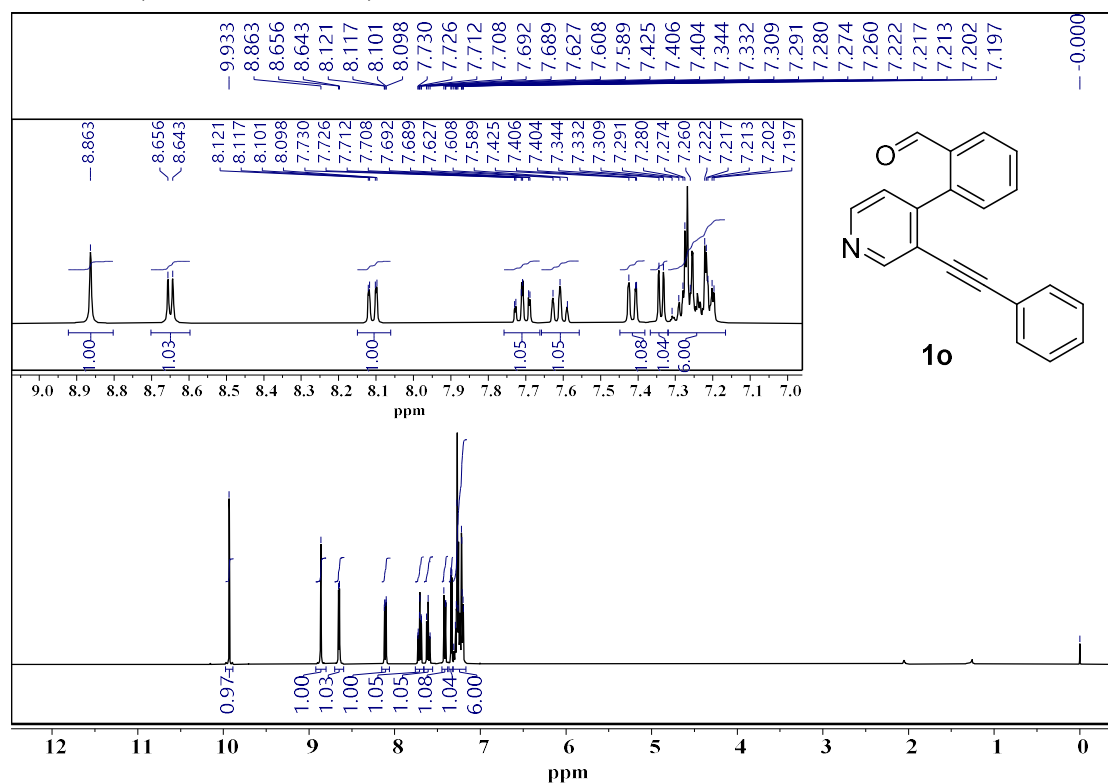
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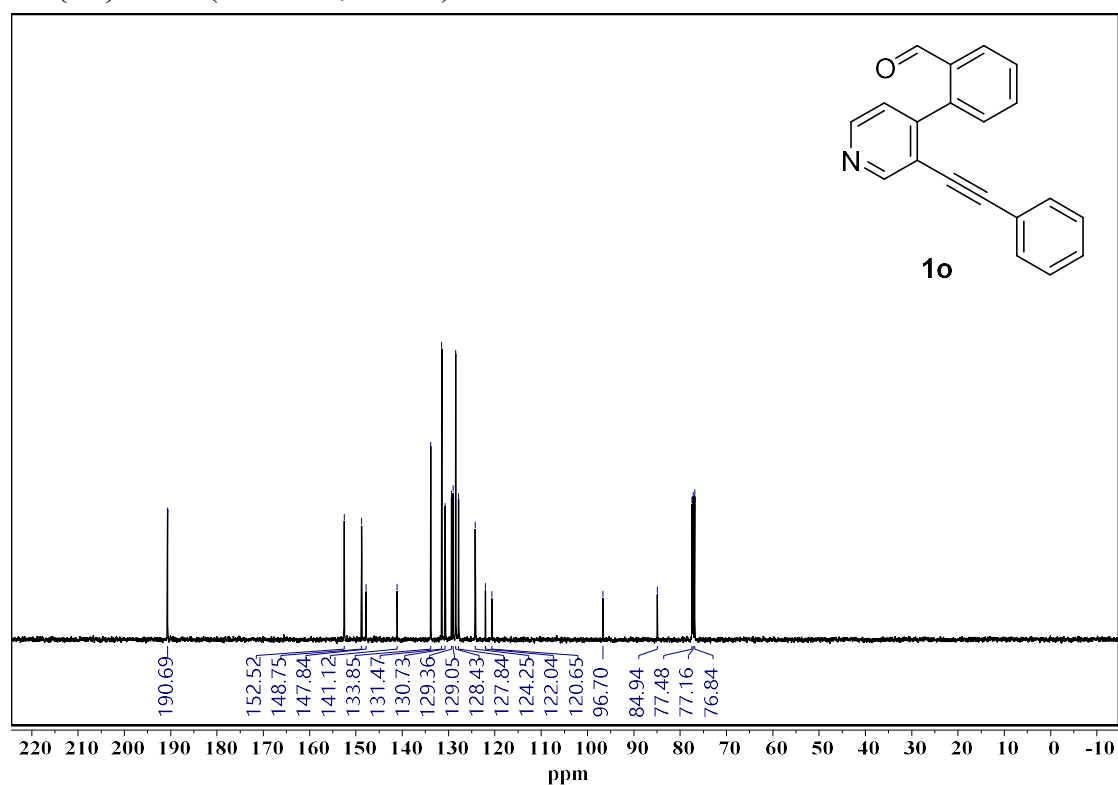
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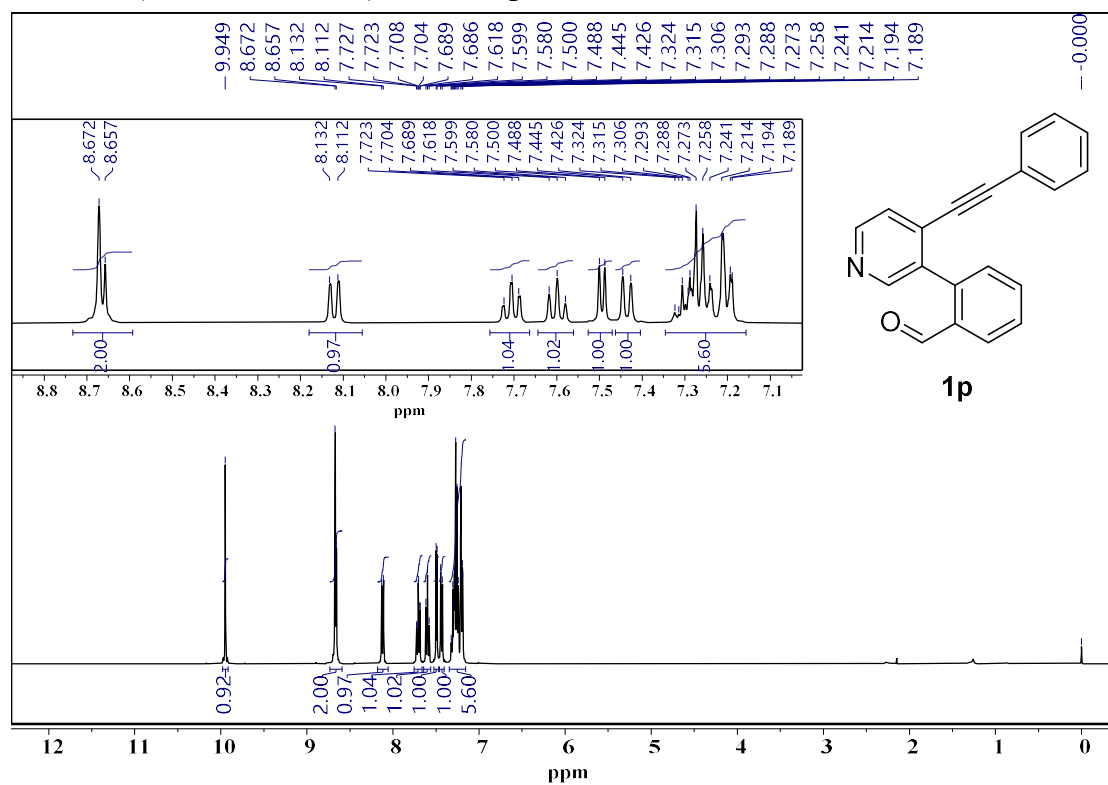
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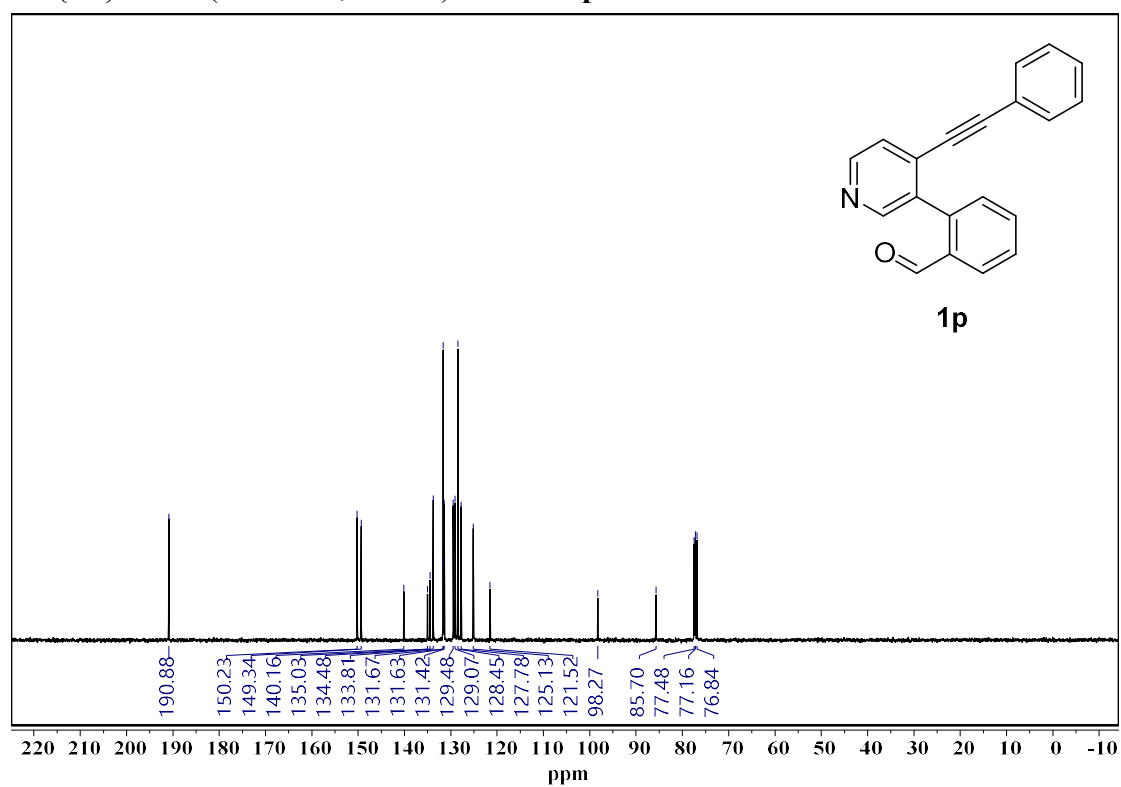
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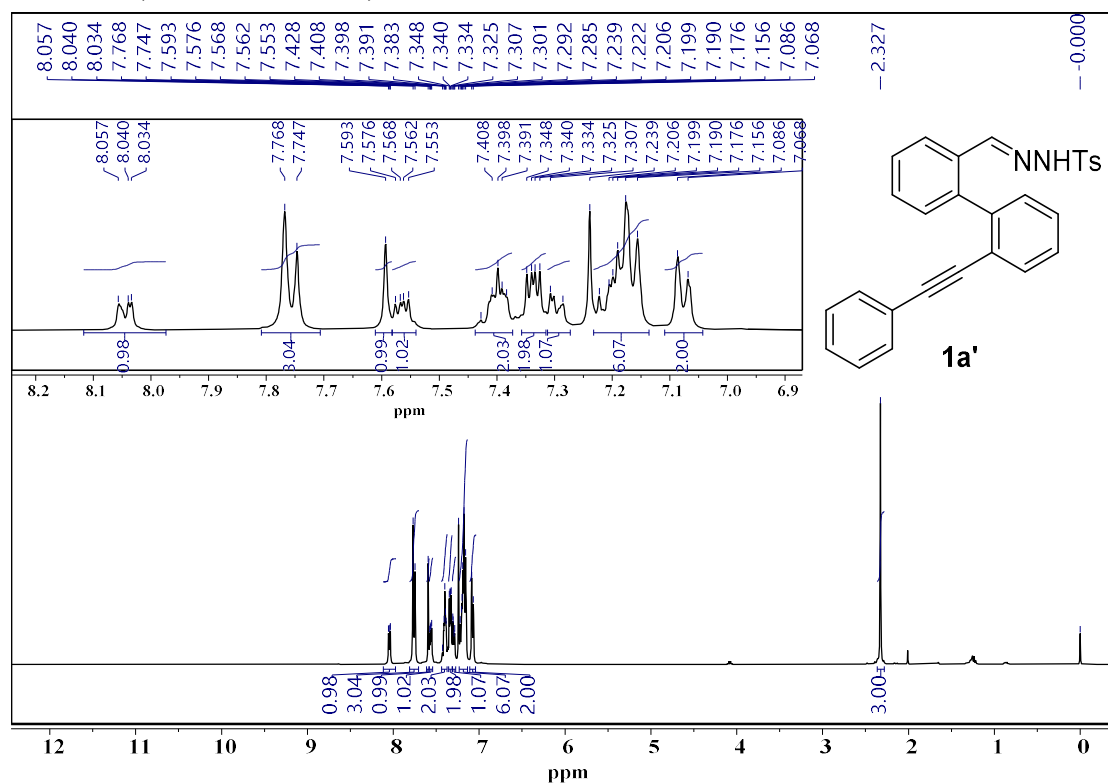
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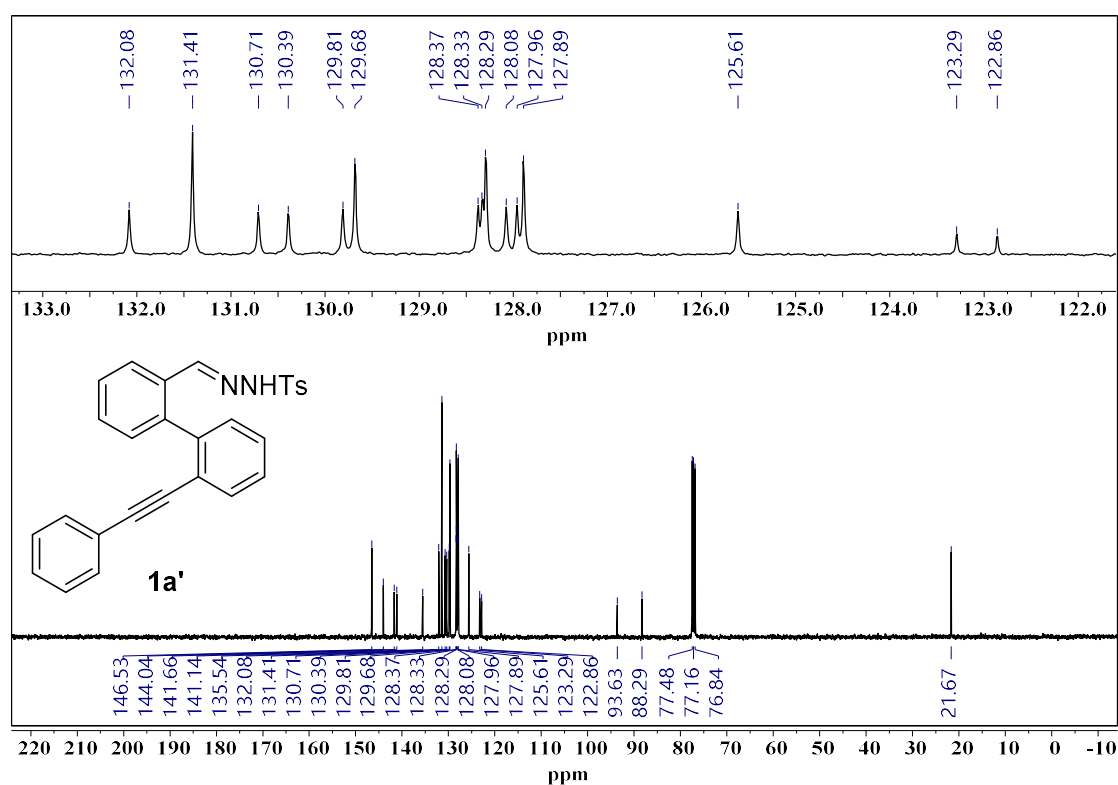
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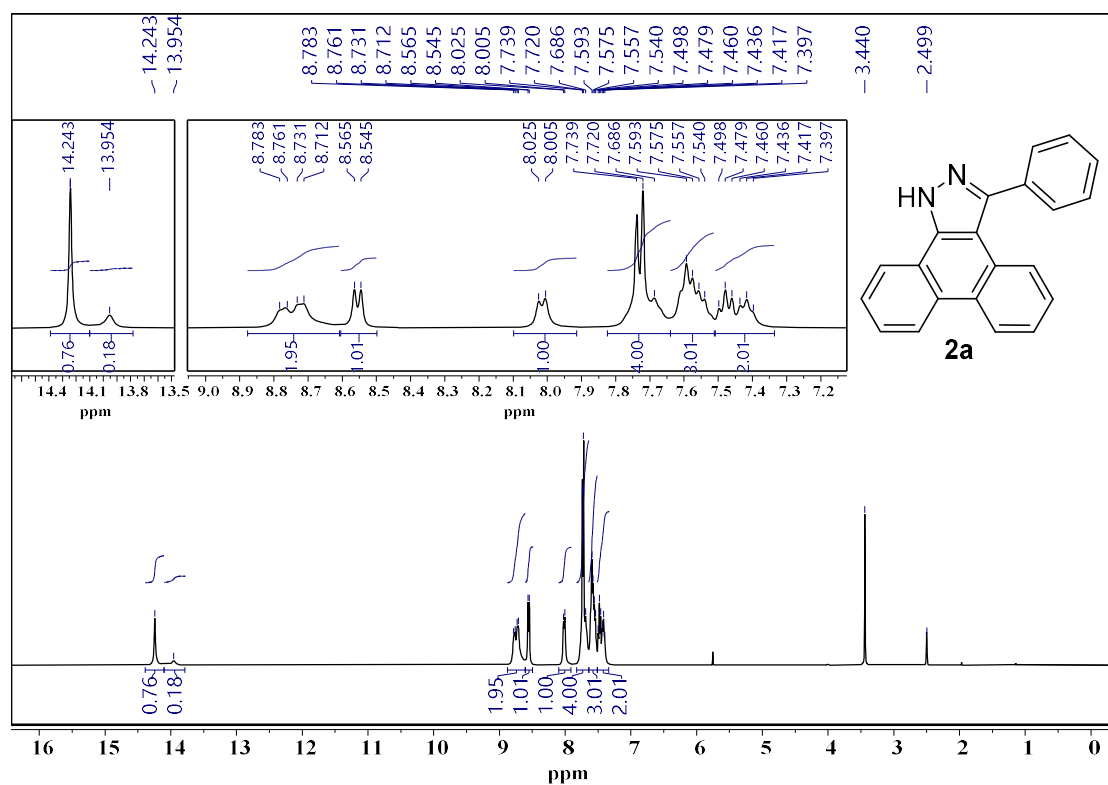
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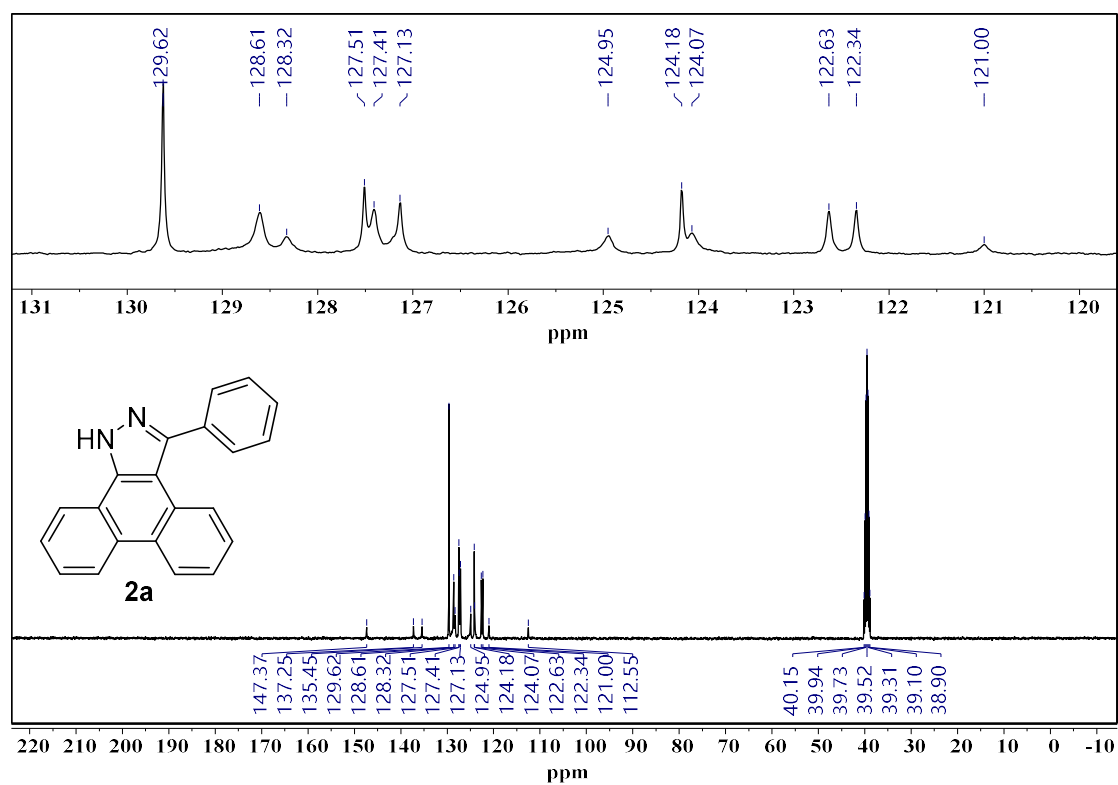
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) chart of **1a'**



^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2a**



$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2a**



Chemical structure of 2b: COc1ccc(cc1)/C=N/c2ccc3ccccc3cc2

¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃):

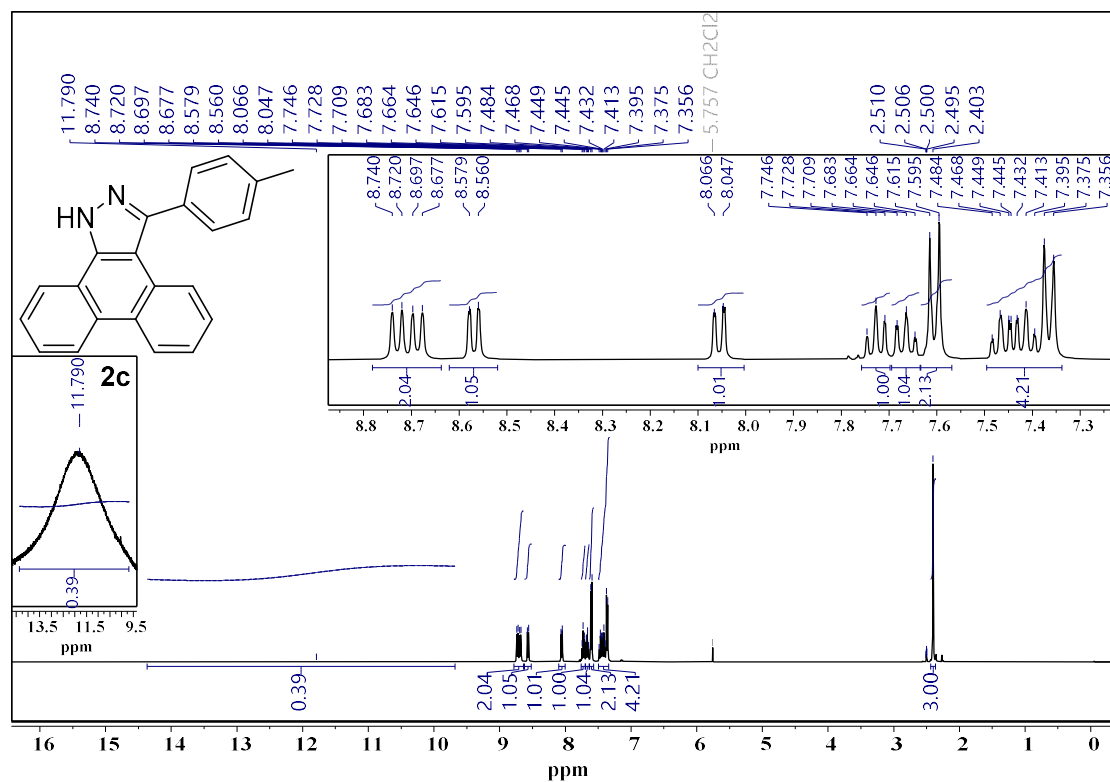
- Aromatic region (6.9–8.9 ppm):** Multiplets and doublets with integration values: 2.02, 1.01, 1.01, 4.12, 2.08, 2.06. Peak list (ppm): 8.743, 8.723, 8.701, 8.681, 8.569, 8.549, 8.061, 8.043, 7.743, 7.725, 7.706, 7.683, 7.663, 7.643, 7.627, 7.486, 7.469, 7.452, 7.447, 7.439, 7.420, 7.402, 7.146, 7.125.
- Aliphatic region (0–4 ppm):** Singlets with integration values: 2.02, 1.01, 1.01, 2.08, 2.06, 3.00. Peak list (ppm): 3.841, 2.500, 2.06, 2.08, 1.01, 1.01, 2.02.
- Inset (13.2–14.4 ppm):** Broad peak with integration value 0.53. Peak list (ppm): 13.968.

Chemical structure of **2b** is shown. The structure is a tricyclic system consisting of a fluorene core with a 4-methoxyphenyl group attached to the 9-position via a double bond. The structure is labeled **2b**.

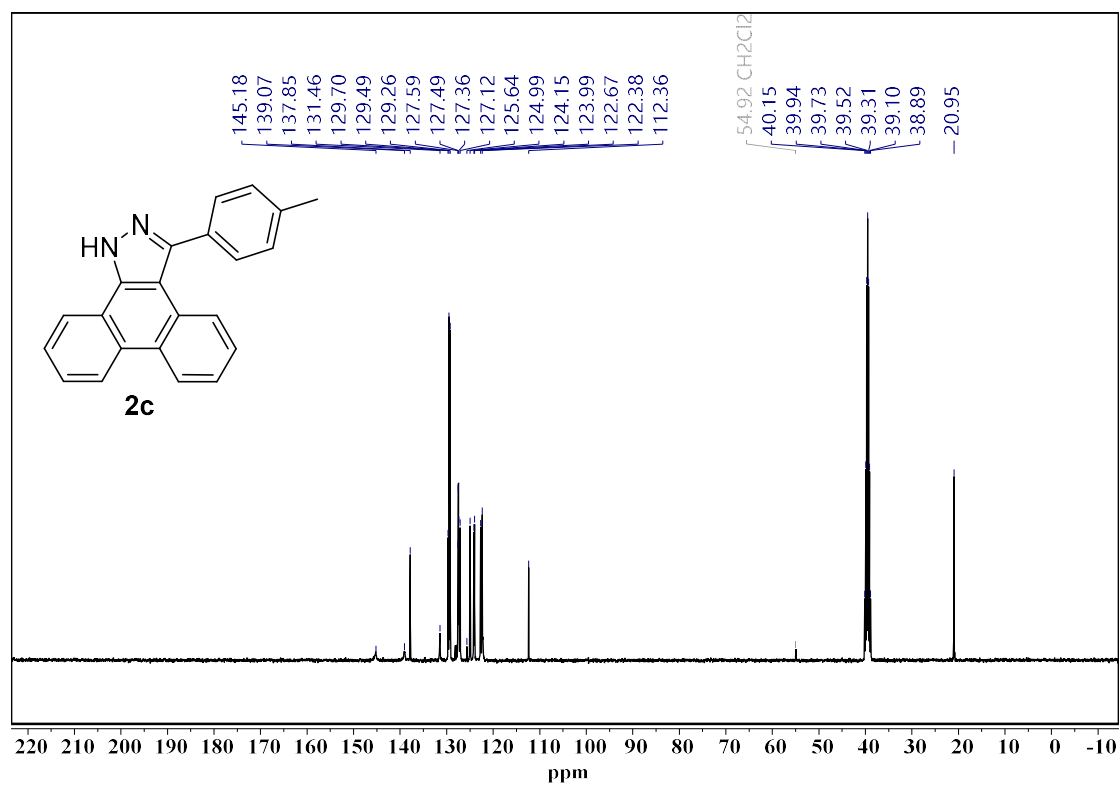
The ^{13}C NMR spectrum (top) shows peaks at 130.91, 129.68, 127.45, 127.31, 127.12, 124.87, 124.09, 123.99, 122.67, 122.40, 121.14, 114.02, and 112.64 ppm.

The ^{13}C NMR spectrum (bottom) shows peaks at 159.34, 147.25, 137.27, 130.91, 129.68, 127.45, 127.31, 127.12, 124.87, 124.09, 123.99, 122.67, 122.40, 121.14, 114.02, 112.64, 55.14, 40.15, 39.94, 39.73, 39.52, 39.31, 39.10, and 38.90 ppm.

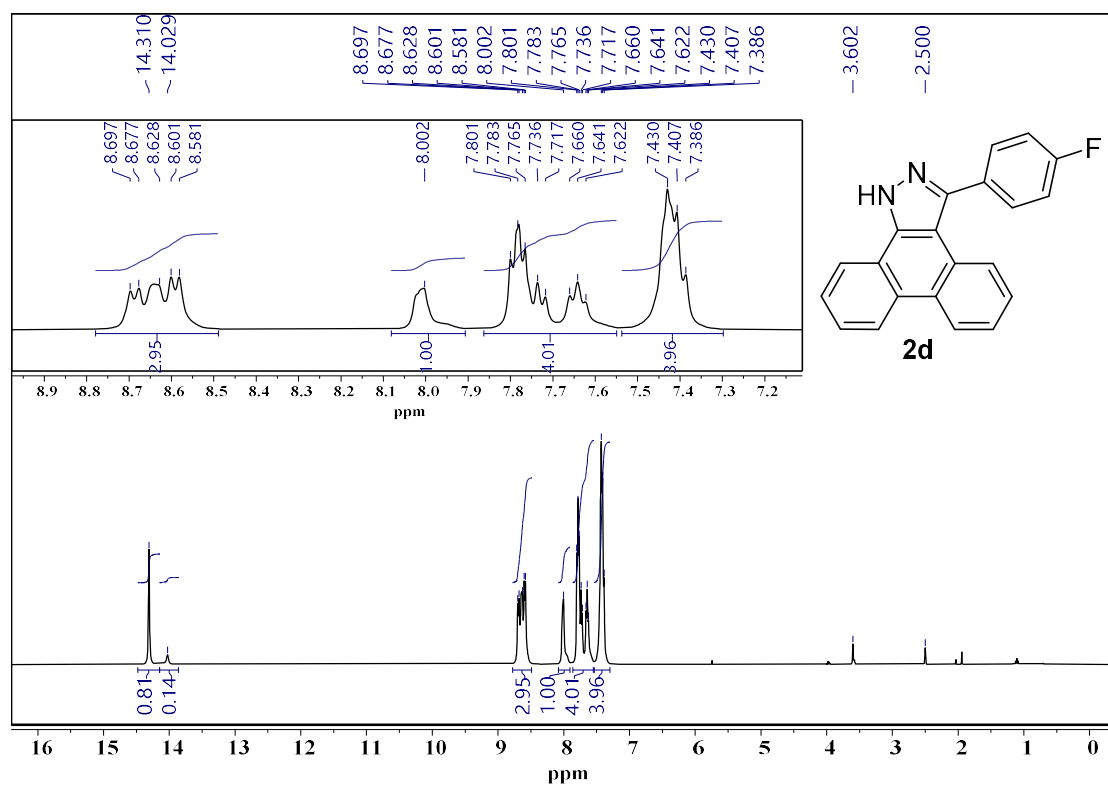
^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2c**



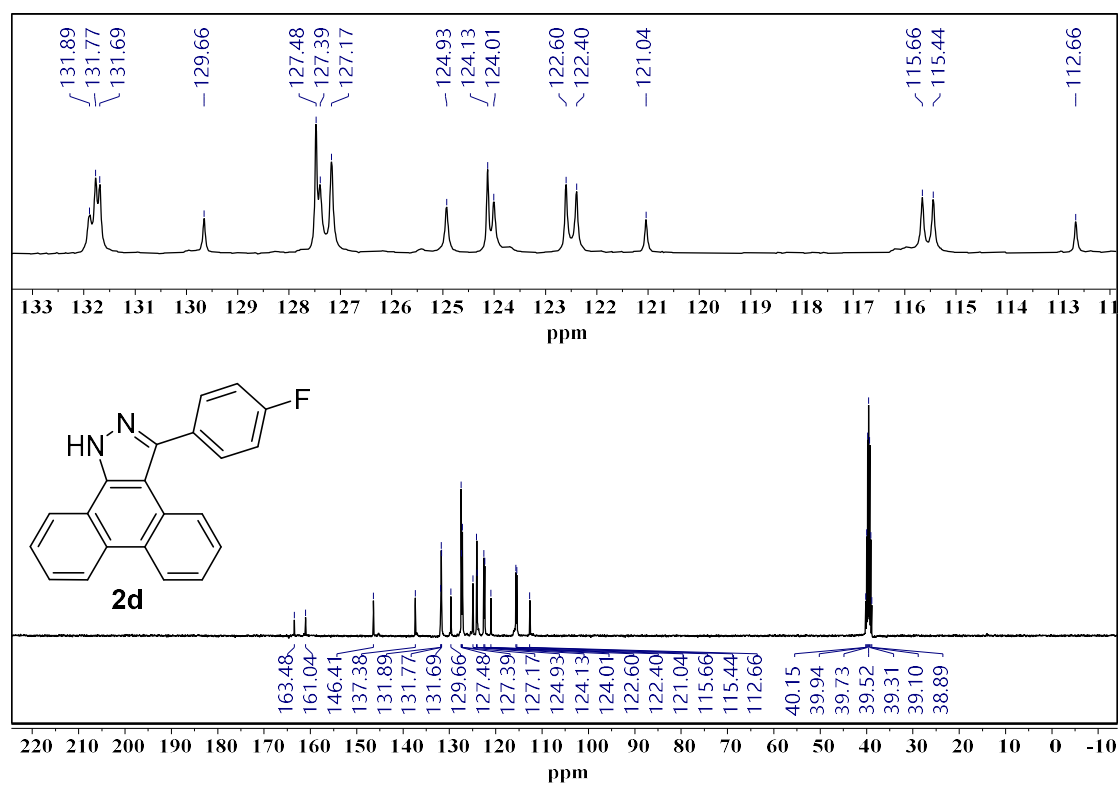
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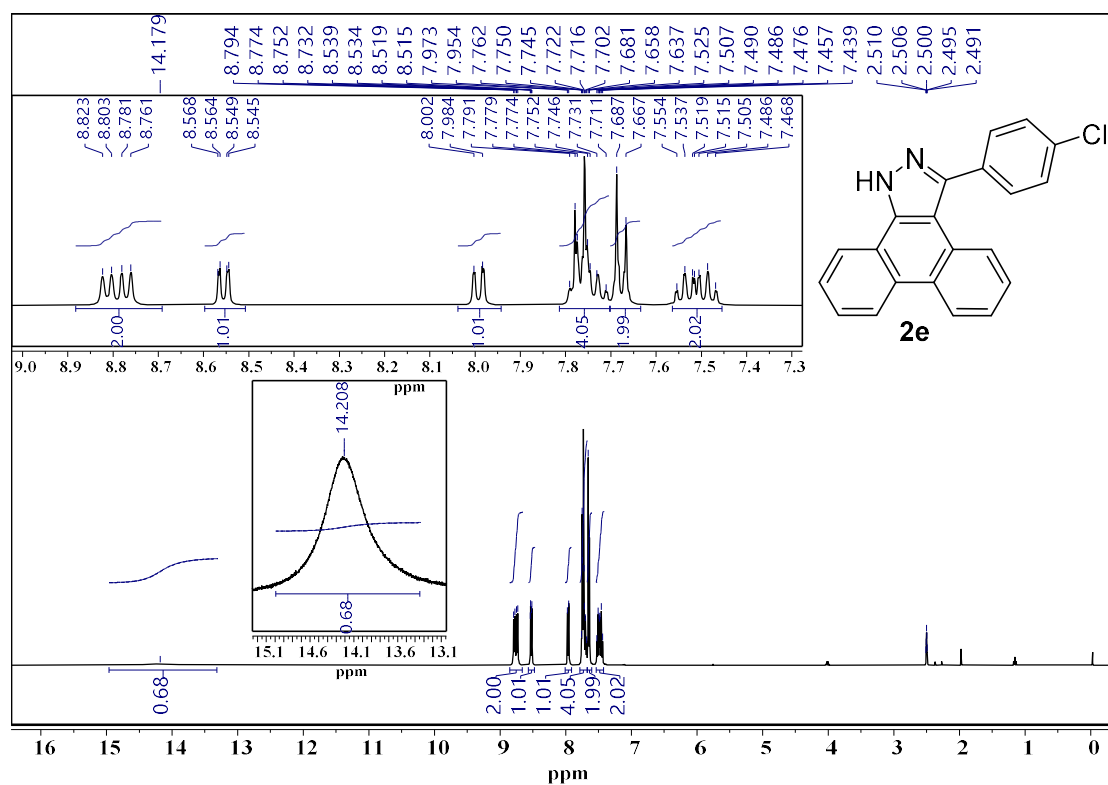
^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2d**



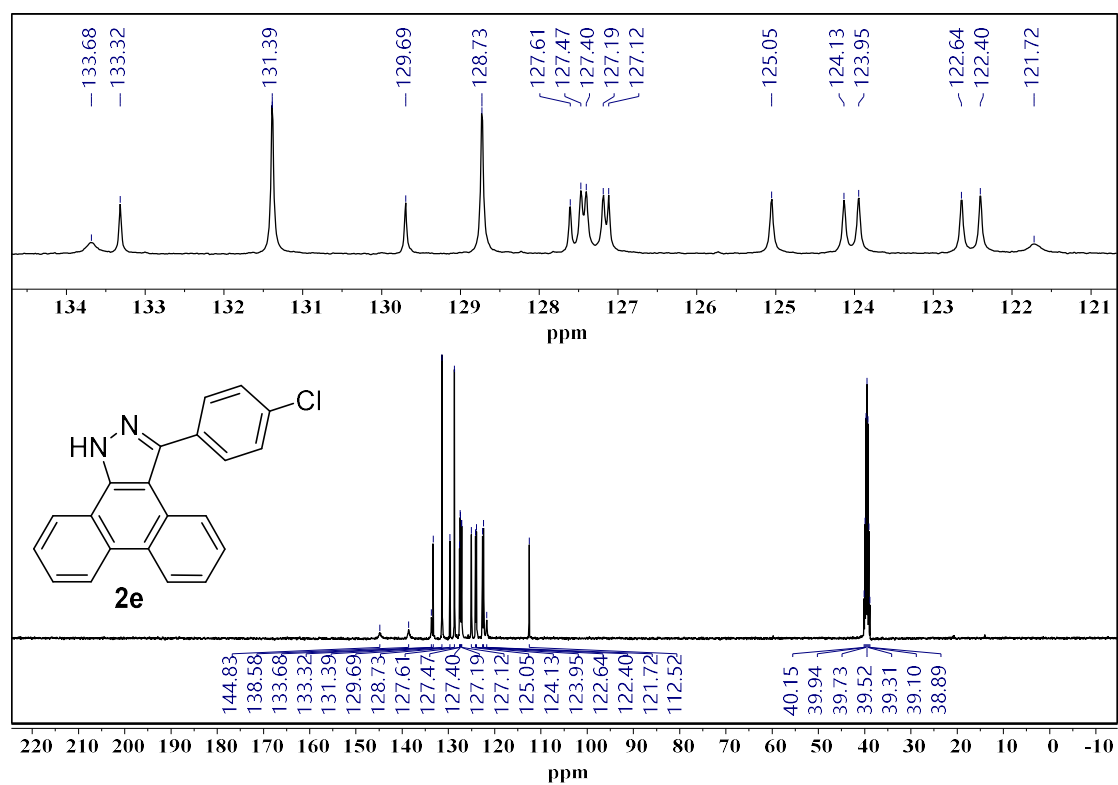
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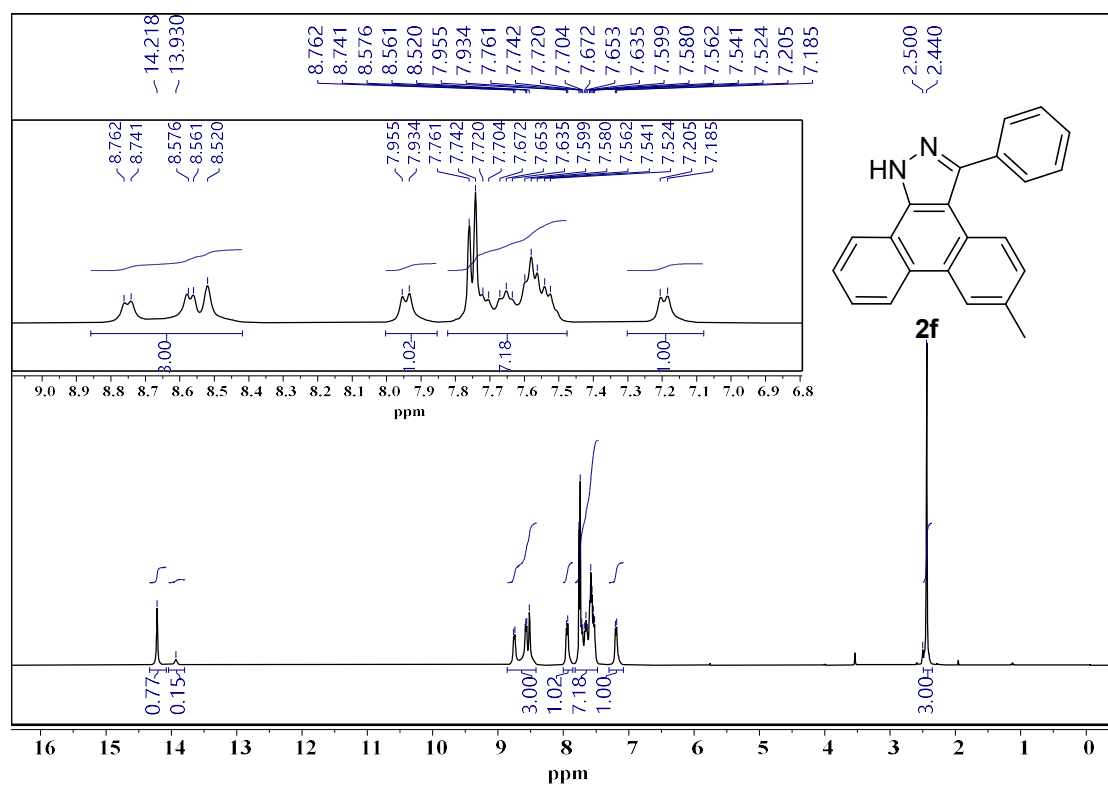
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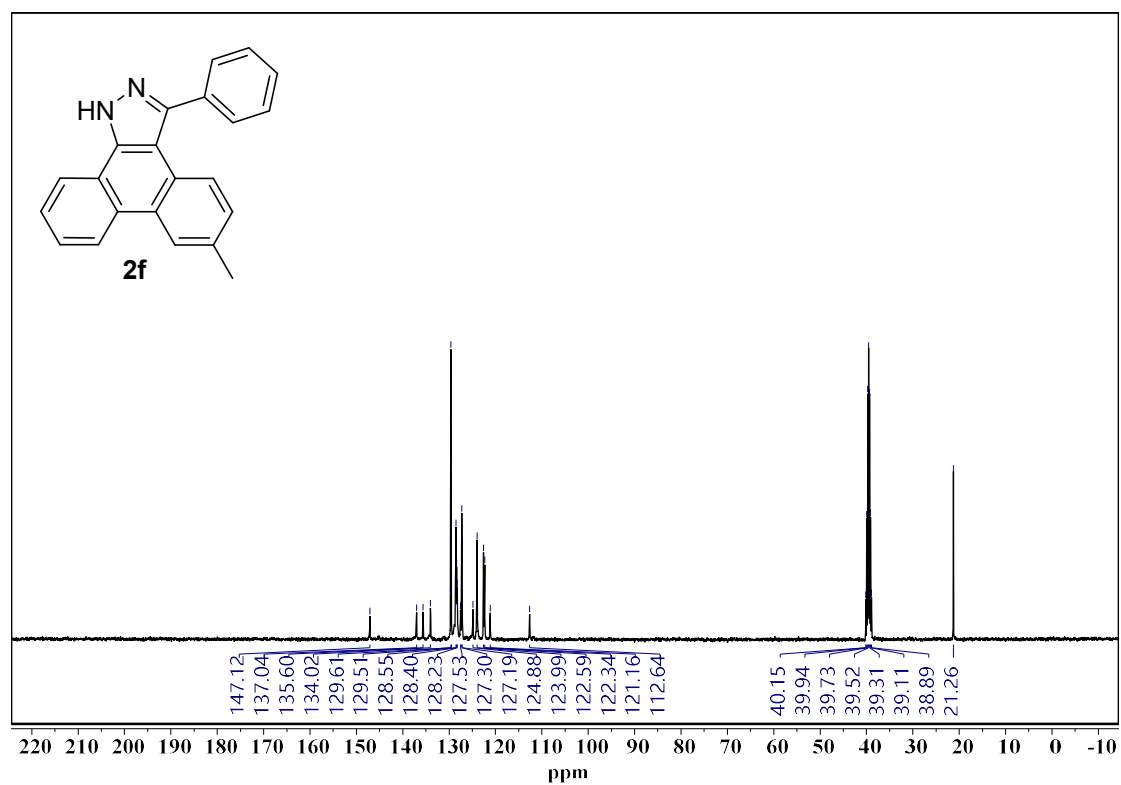
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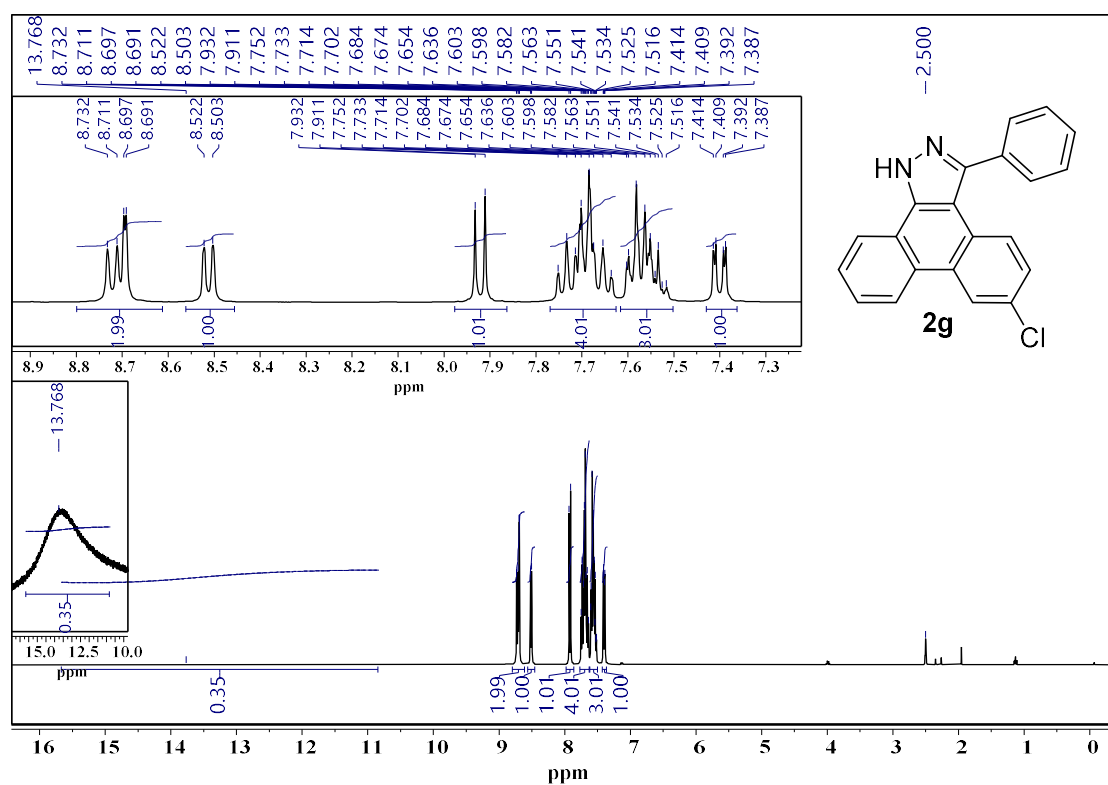
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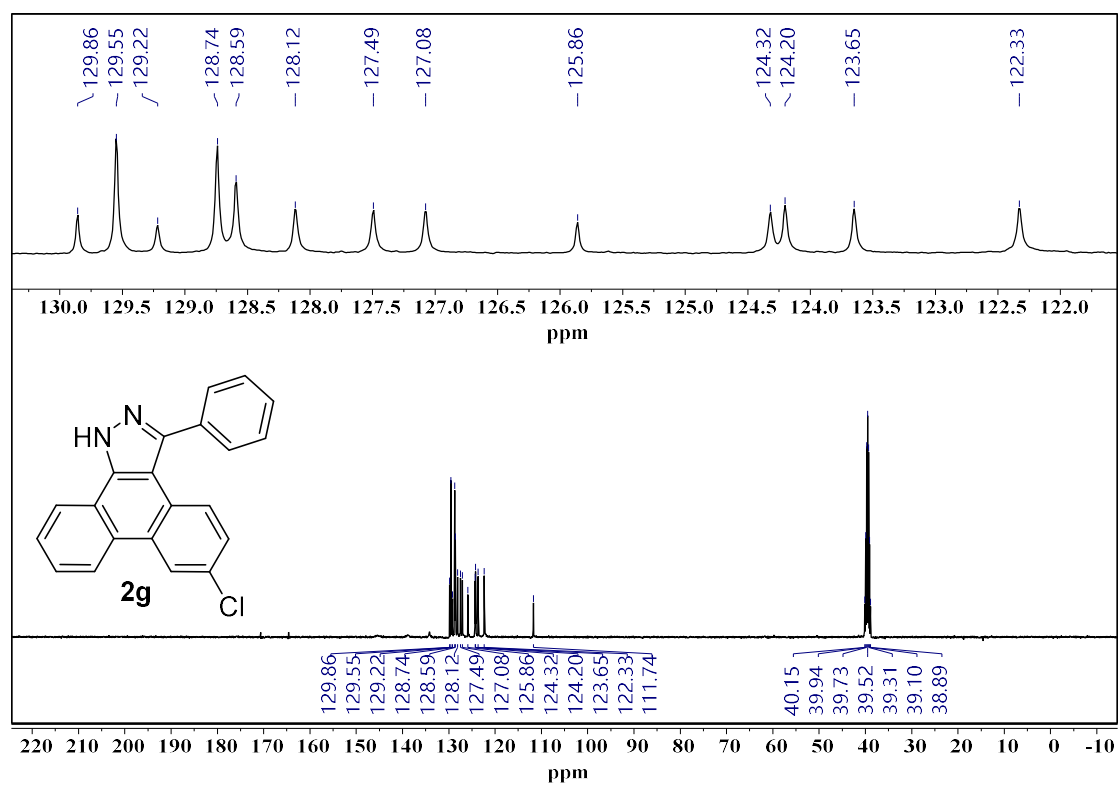
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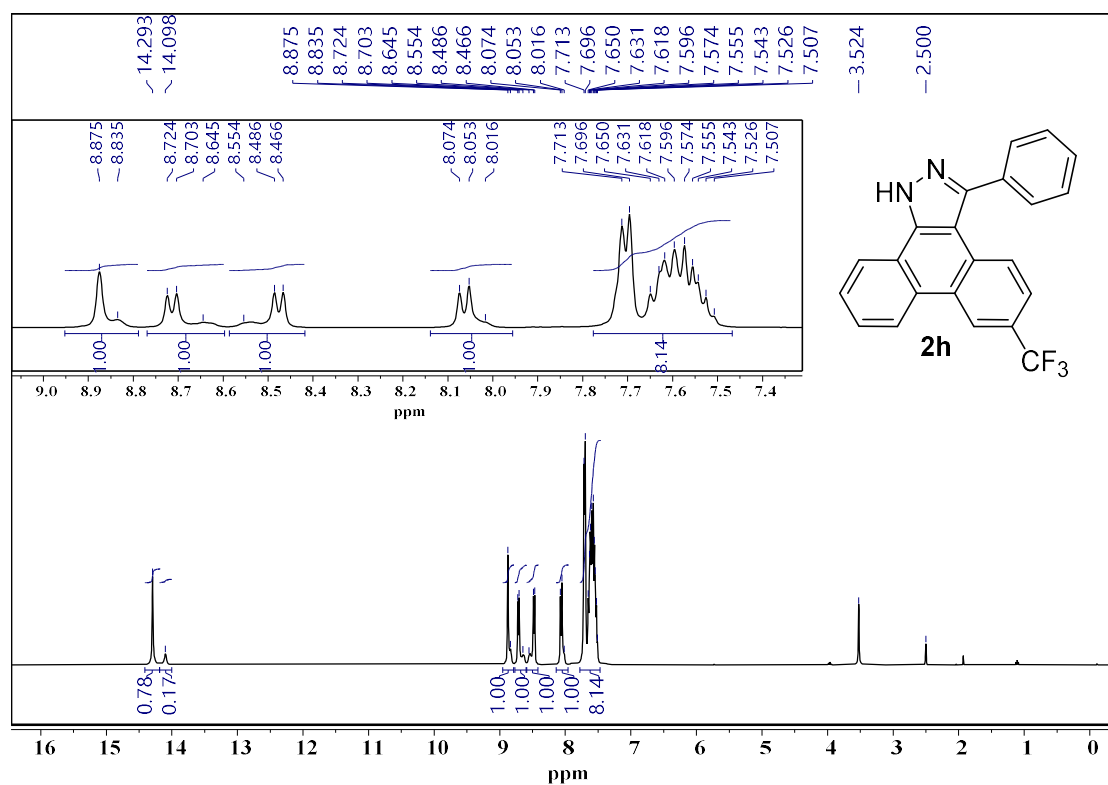
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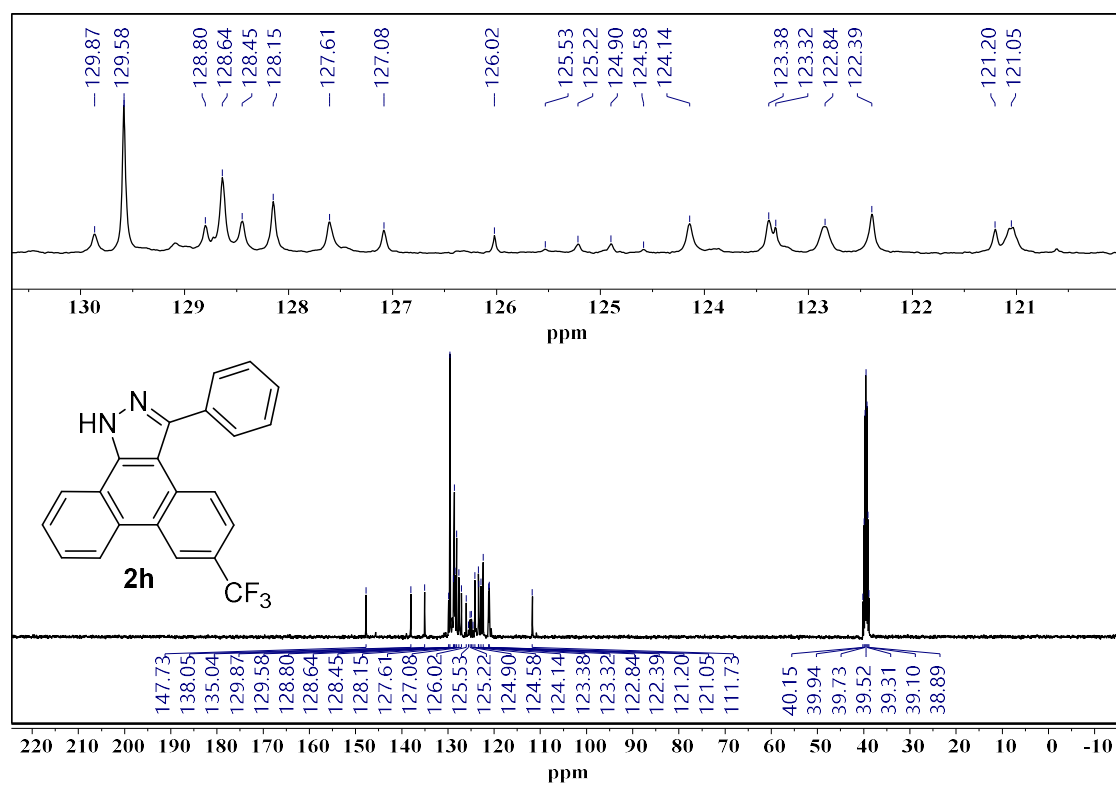
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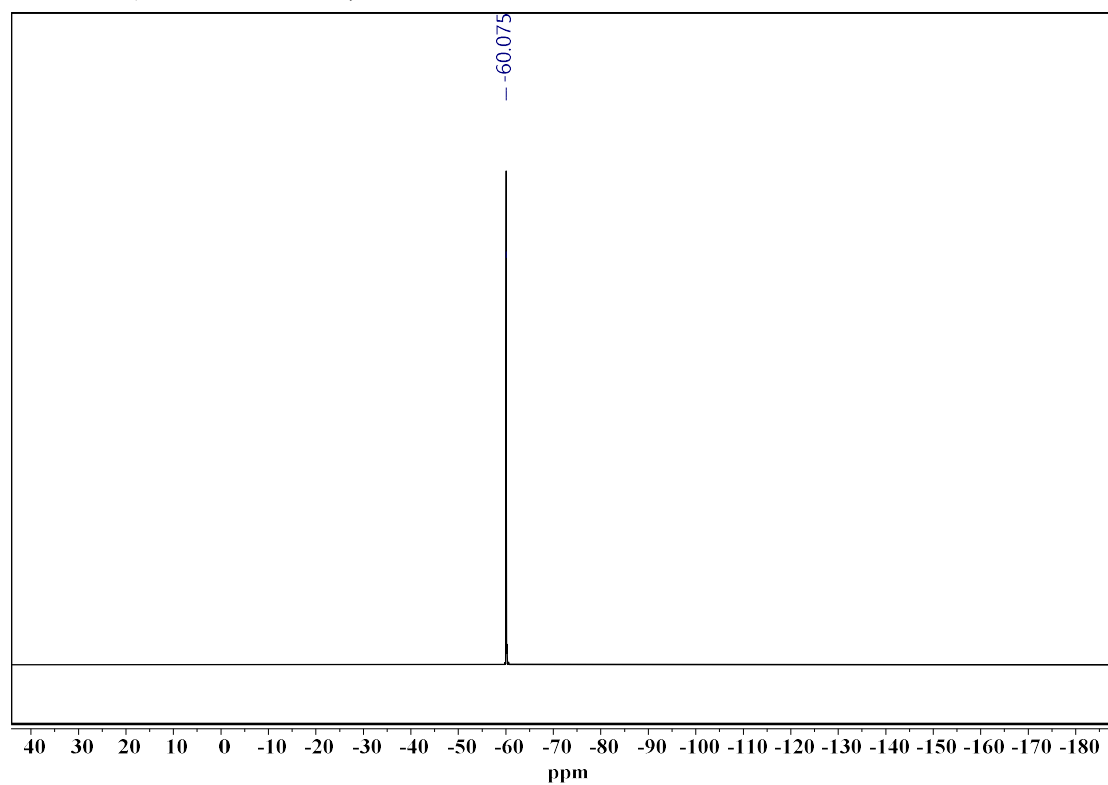
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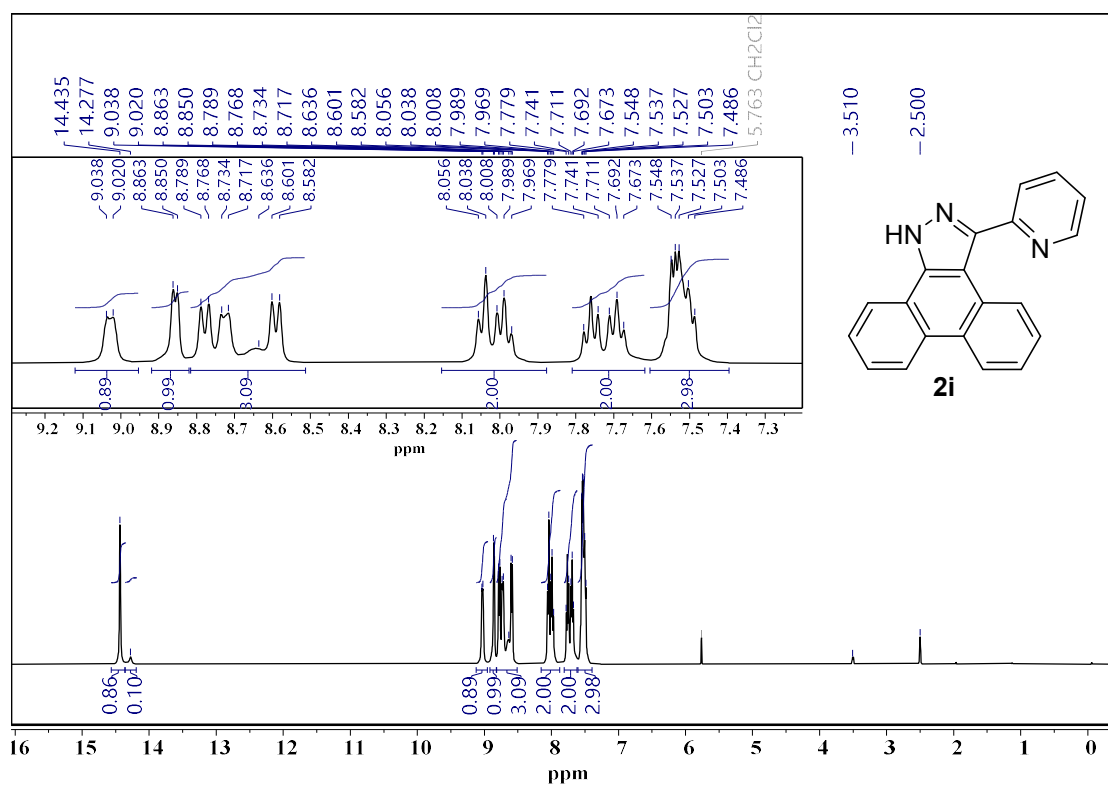
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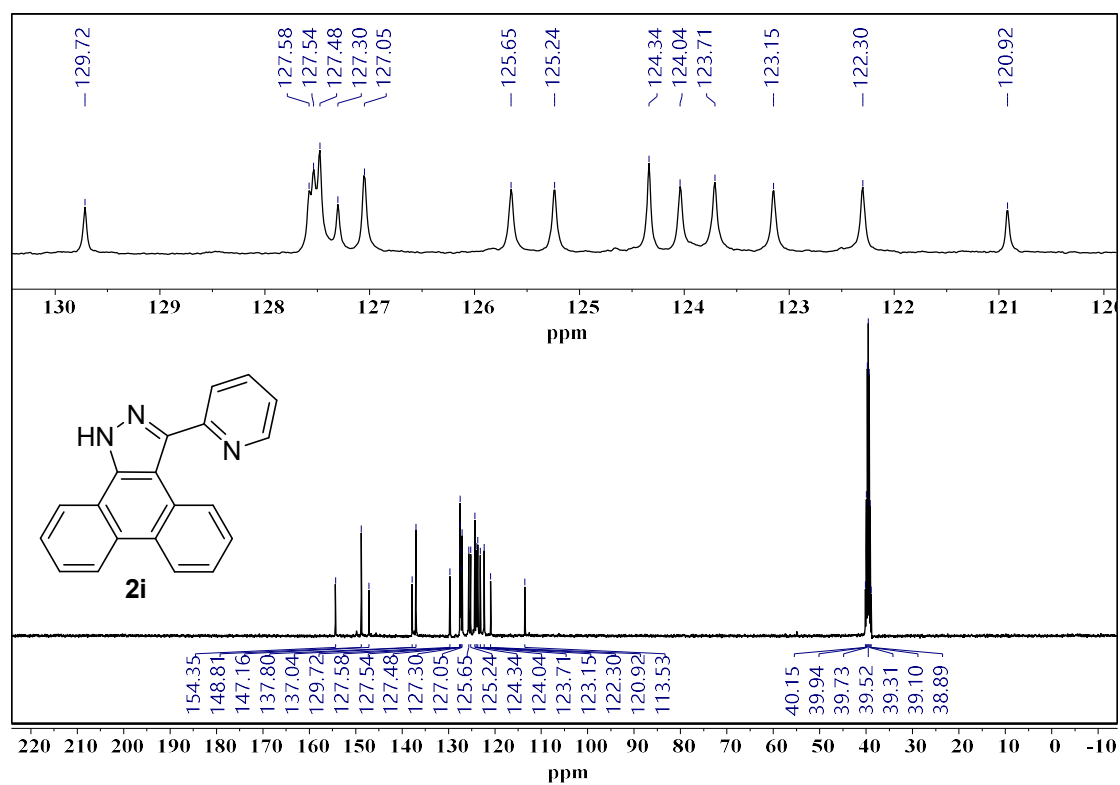
^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) chart of **2h**



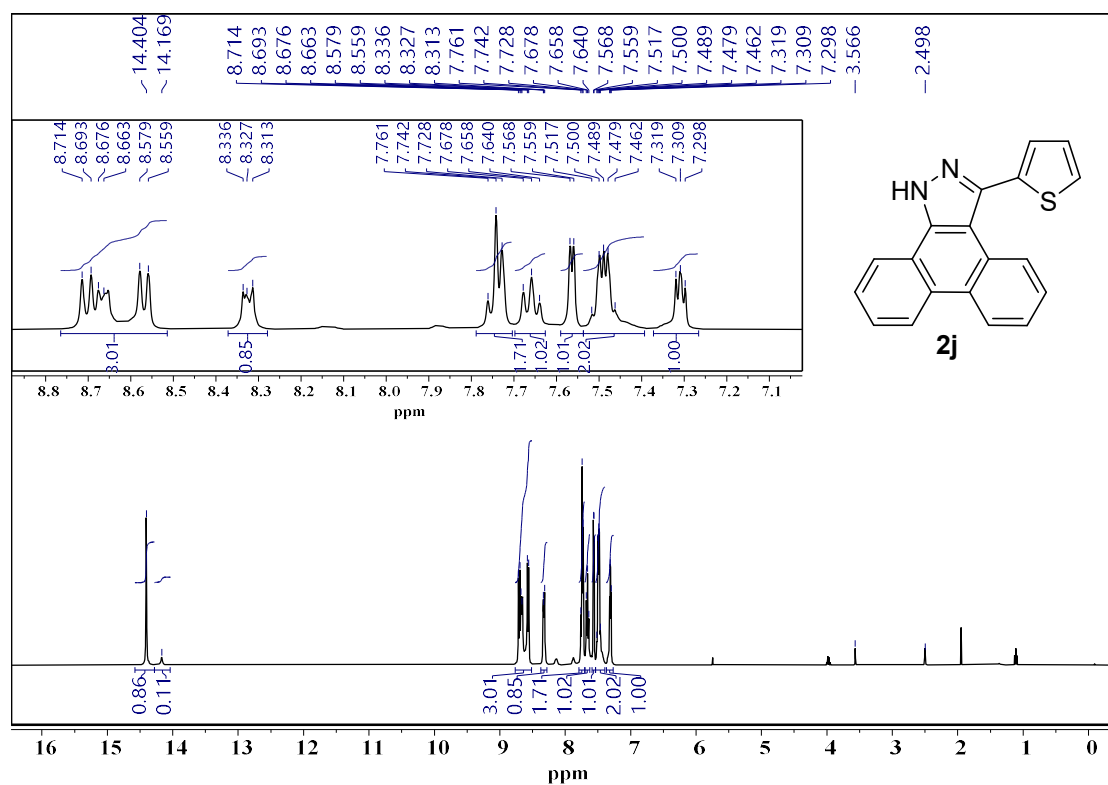
^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2i**



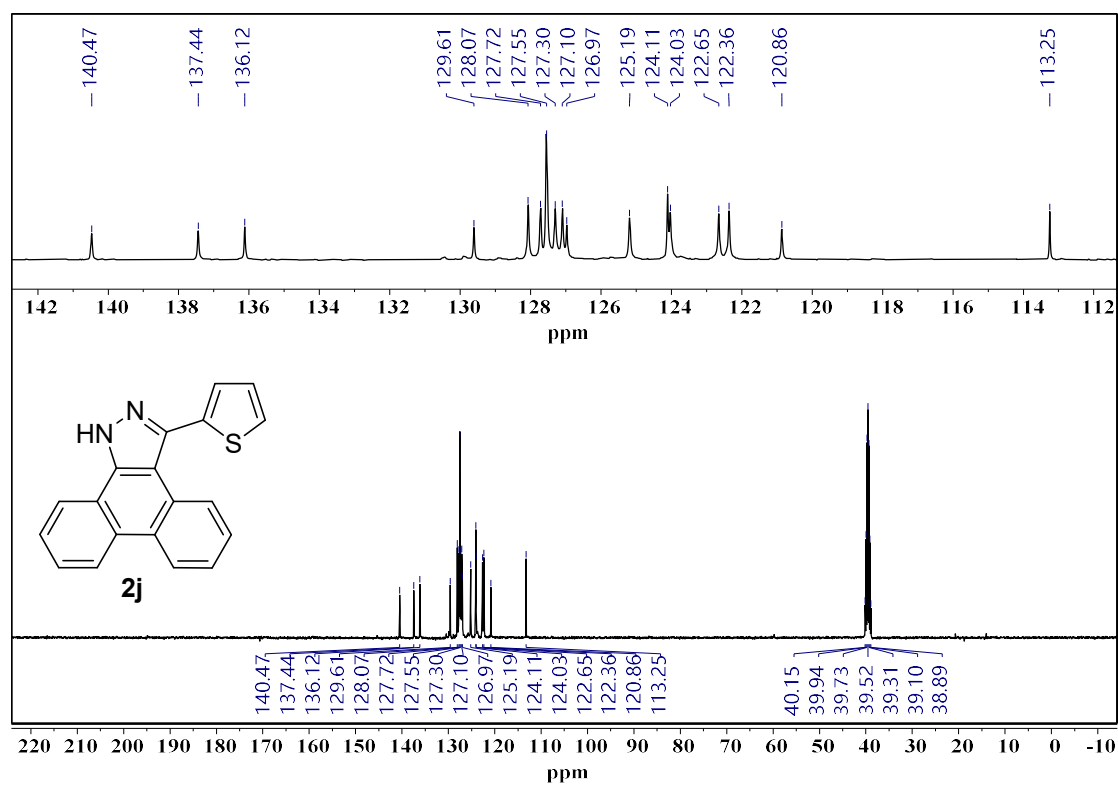
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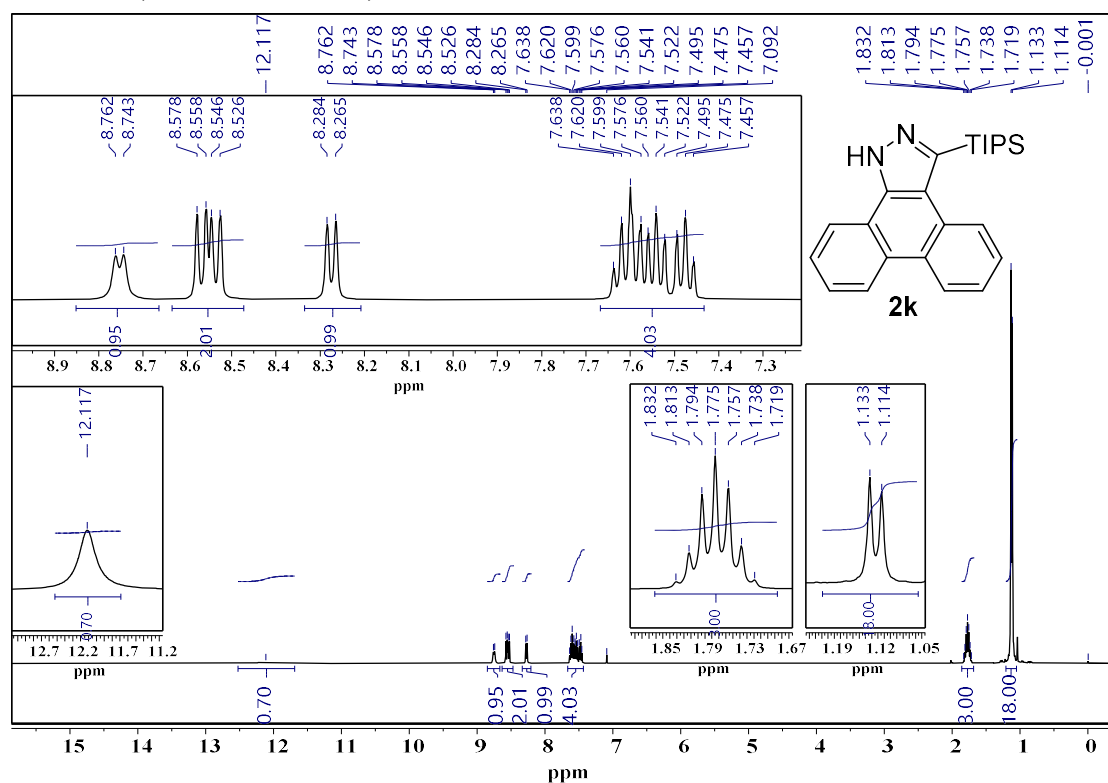
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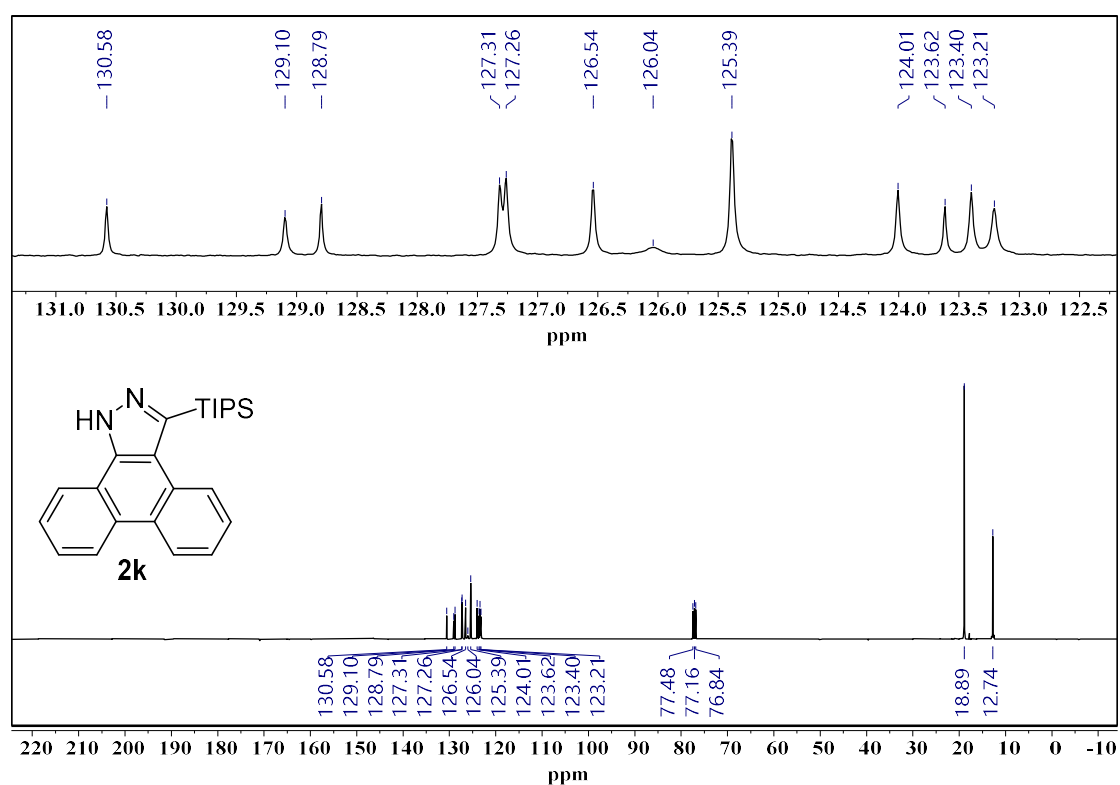
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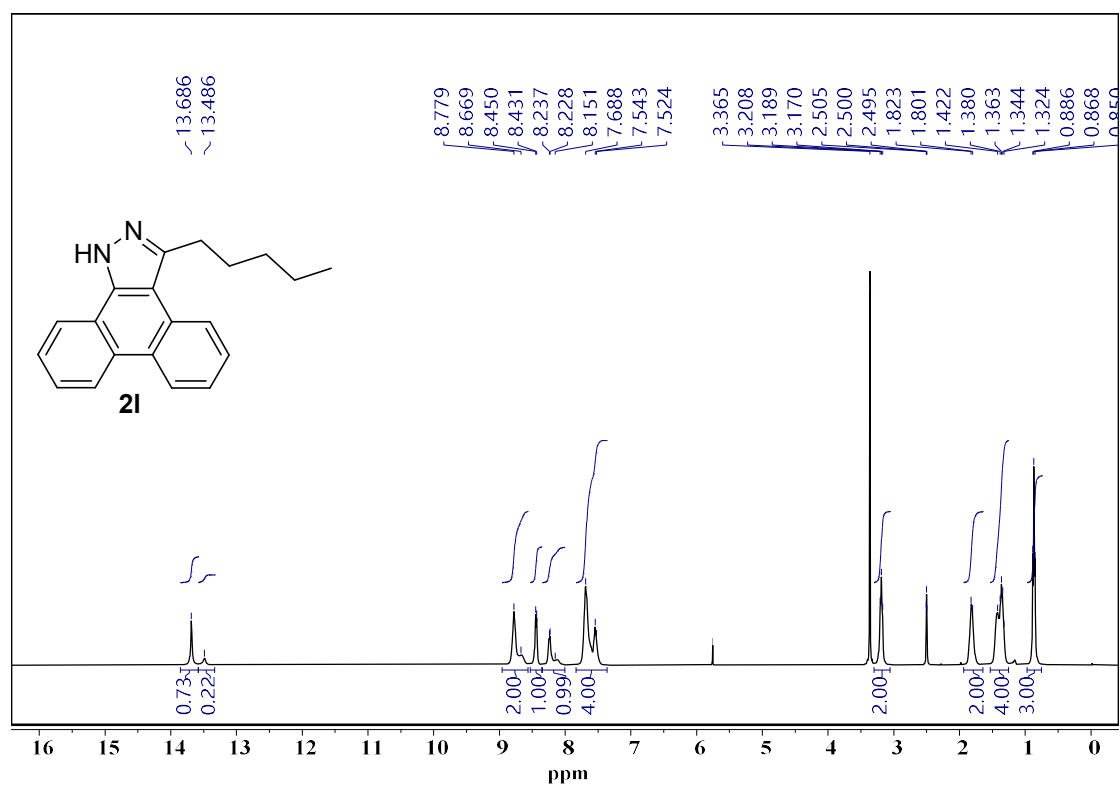
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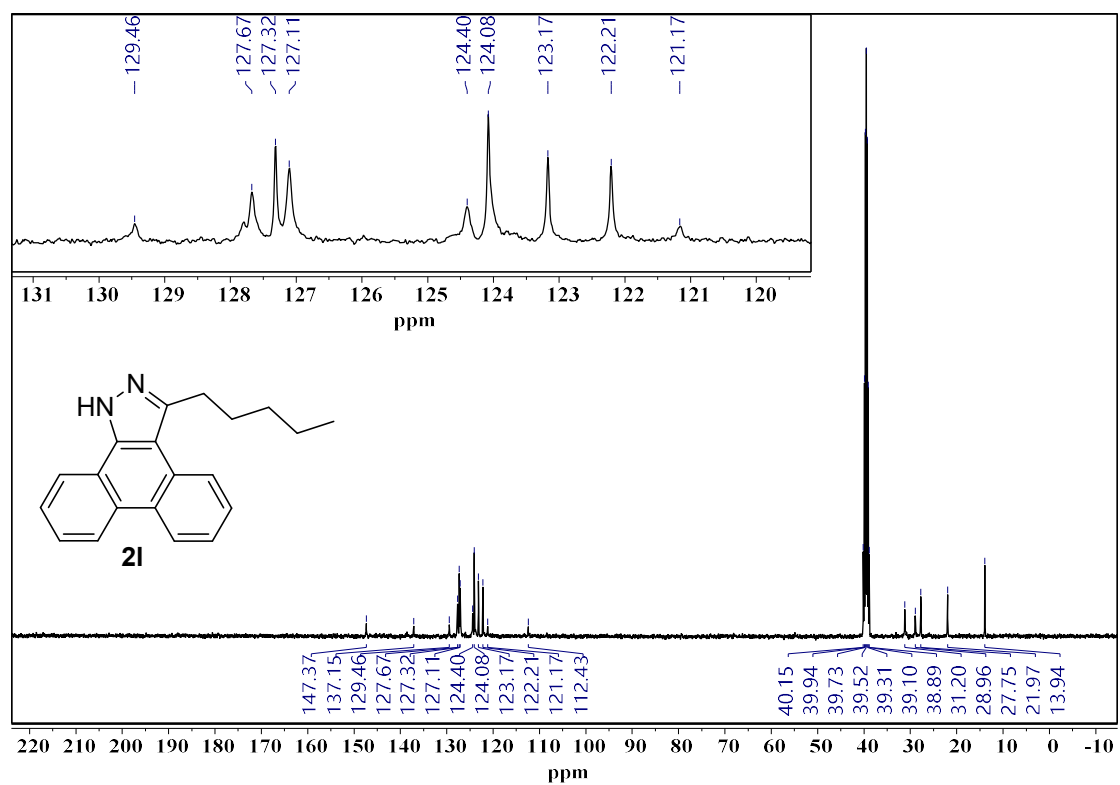
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2I**



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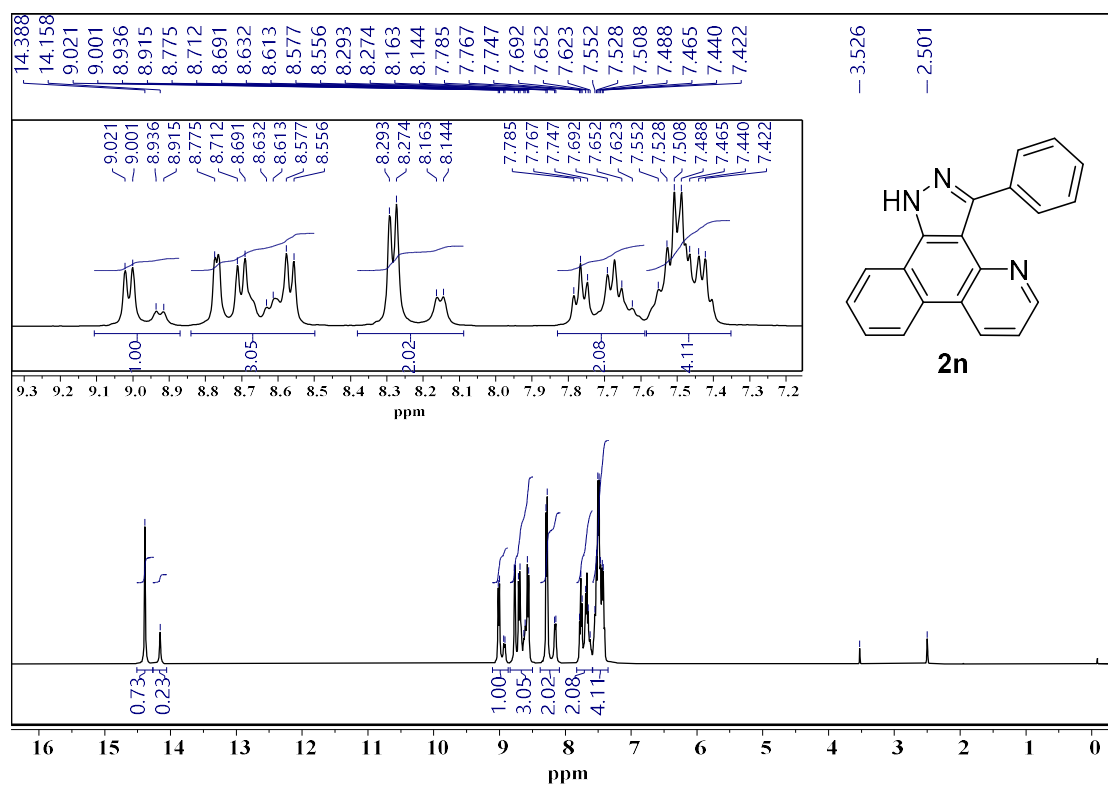
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

Chemical structure of **2m**: CC(C)(C)C1=CC=C2C(=C1)C(=CN2)C3=CC=C(C=C3)Cl

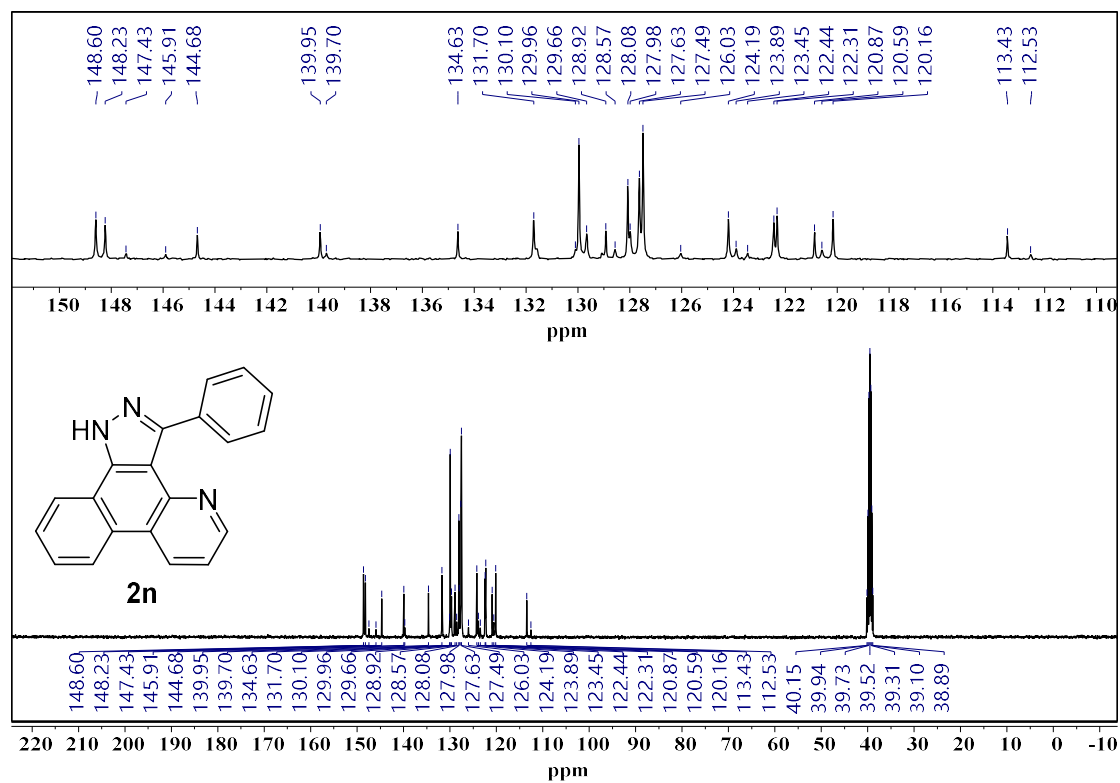
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

Figure 1 displays two ^{13}C NMR spectra of compound **2m**. The top spectrum is the ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **2m** in CDCl_3 , showing peaks from 122.83 to 133.34 ppm. The bottom spectrum is the ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **2m** in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, showing peaks from 12.78 to 133.34 ppm. The chemical structure of **2m** is shown in the center, featuring a tricyclic system with a chlorine atom and a TIPS group.

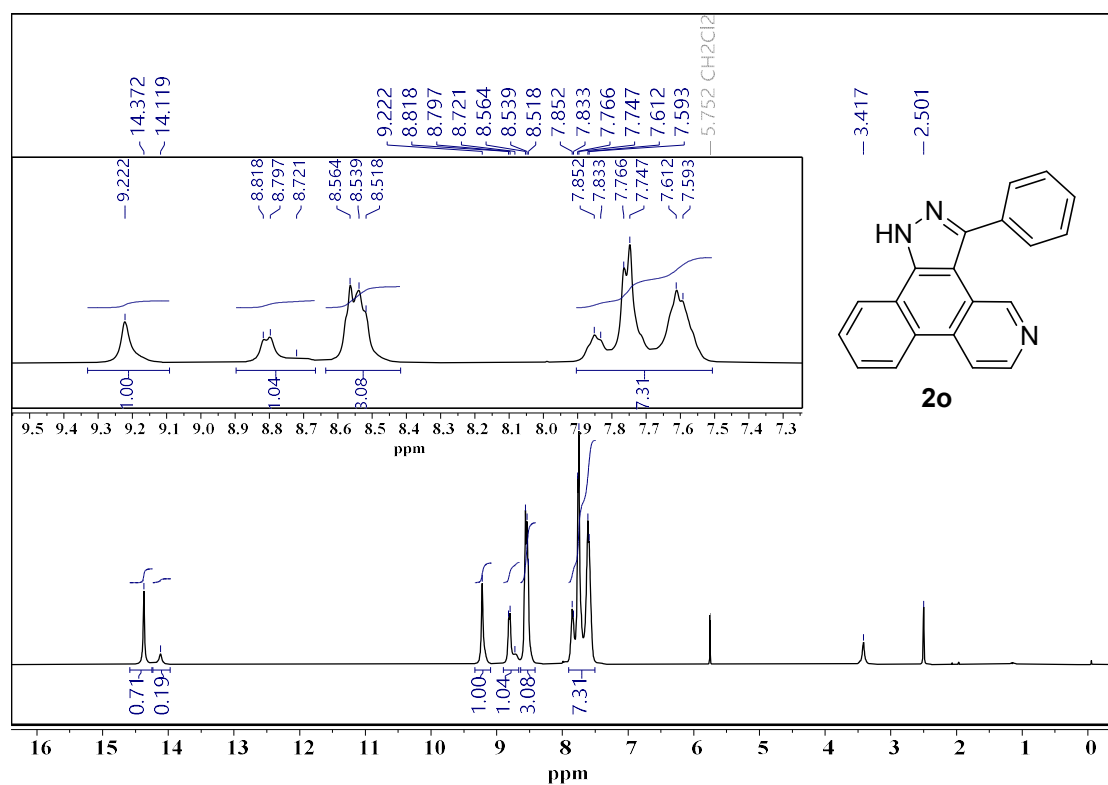
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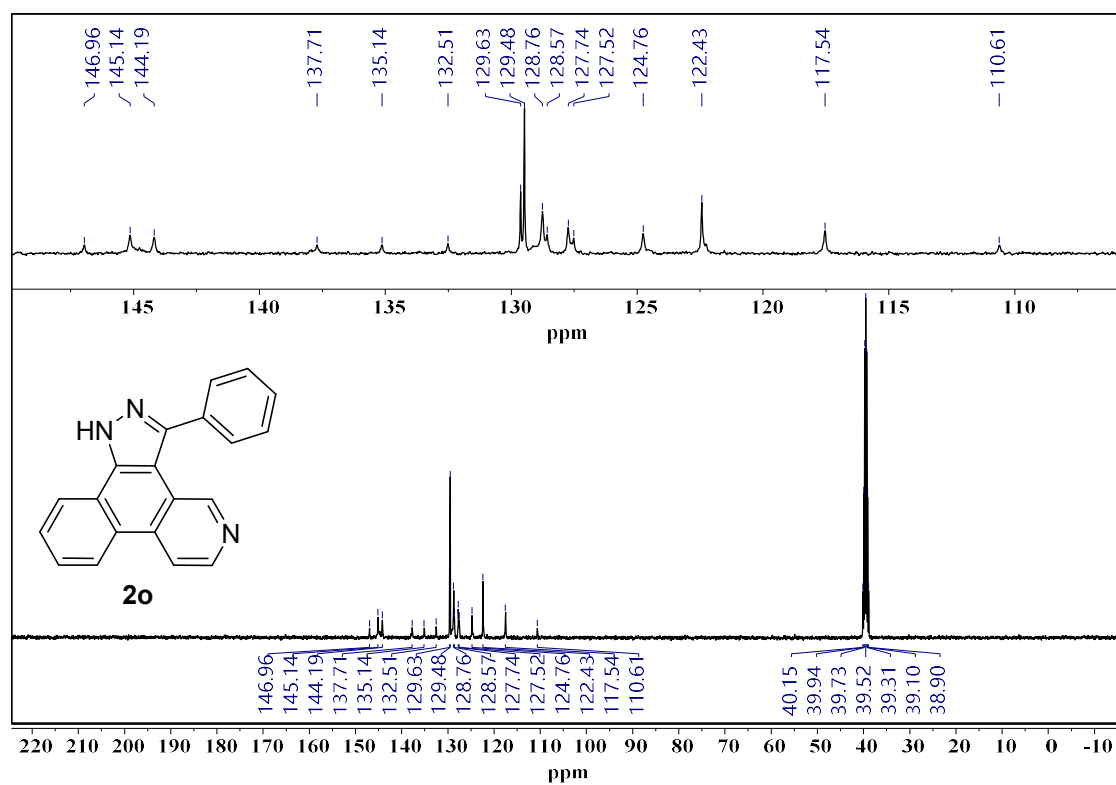
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2o**



$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2o**



^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) chart of **2p**

