

Palladium-catalyzed ring opening of norbornene: efficient synthesis of methylenecyclopentane derivatives

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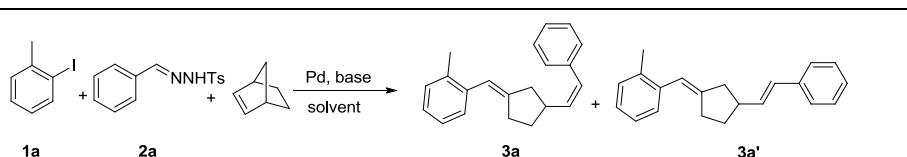
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1. General remarks

For product purification by flash column chromatography, silica gel (200~300 mesh) and light petroleum ether (bp. 60~90) are used. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker advance III 400 MHz in CDCl_3 and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on 100 MHz in CDCl_3 using TMS as internal standard. Mass spectra were determined on a Hewlett Packard 5988A spectrometer by direct inlet at 70 eV. High-resolution mass spectral analysis (HRMS) data were measured on a Bruker Apex II. Element analysis (EA) data were measured on a Vario EL. Melting points were determined on a microscopic apparatus and were uncorrected. Copies of their ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were provided. Dioxane and THF were dried over Na. The starting materials were purchased from Aldrich, Acros, Alfa or TCI and used without further purification.

2. Optimization of the reaction conditions^a



Entry	Pd	Base	Solvent	Yield (3a + 3a' , % ^b)
1 ^c	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	MeCN	trace
2 ^c	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	dioxane	18(1:1.5)
3 ^c	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	DMSO	0
4 ^c	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	toluene	60 (1:2.0)
5 ^c	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	DMF	trace
6^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	87 (1:1.8)
7 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	K_2CO_3	THF	0
8 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	$\text{KO}^\text{t}\text{Bu}$	THF	20(1:1.1)
9 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	$\text{LiO}^\text{t}\text{Bu}$	THF	0
10 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Na_2CO_3	THF	0
11 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{PPh}_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	68(1:1.7)
12 ^d	$\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	trace
13 ^d	$\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \text{CHCl}_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	trace
14 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{TFA})_2/\text{PPh}_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	64(1:1.7)
15 ^d	$\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2/\text{PPh}_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	65(1:1.8)
16 ^d	$\text{PdCl}_2(\text{MeCN})_2/\text{PPh}_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	68(1: 1.7)
17 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{xantphos}$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	17(1: 8.0)
18 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{xphos}$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	44(4.0: 1.0)
19 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{PCy}_3$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	<10
20 ^d	$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/[\text{HPtBu}_3]\text{BF}_4$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	trace
21 ^{d,e}	$\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$	Cs_2CO_3	THF	69(1: 1.8)
22 ^d	none	Cs_2CO_3	THF	0

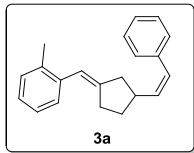
^a Reaction conditions : **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol), norbornene (3.0 equiv.), Pd (5 mol%), ligand (10 mol%), base (2.5 equiv.), solvent (2 ml), 10 h. ^b Isolated yields. ^c The reaction was carried out at 90 °C. ^d The reaction was carried out at 60 °C. ^e The reaction was carried out with 2.5 mol% of $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$.

3. Preparation of starting materials

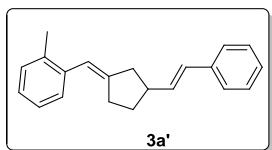
N-tosylhydrazones **2** and **4** were prepared according to a previously reported literature¹. Aryl iodides **1** are commercially available.

4. General procedure for the preparation of the products **3** or **5**

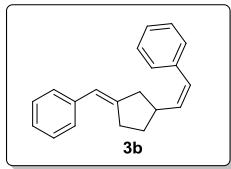
1 (0.2 mmol), **2** or **4** (0.3 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (5 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (2.5 equiv.), norbornene (3.0 equiv.) were dissolved in 2 mL of degassed dry THF. The mixture was flushed with N₂ and heated at the indicated temperature for the indicated time. After cooling at room temperature, the mixture was diluted with diethyl ether, washed with water, dried over magnesium sulfate and purified by flash chromatography (silica, petroleum ether/AcOEt).



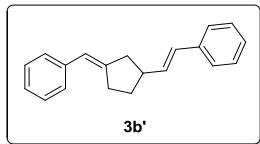
1-methyl-2-((E)-(3-(Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methylbenzene (3a**):** oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.36-7.22 (m, 6H), 7.14-7.07 (m, 3H), 6.45-6.40 (m, 2H), 5.62 (dd, *J* = 10.0 Hz, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.15-3.11 (m, 1H), 2.77-2.71 (m, 1H), 2.61-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.38 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.04-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.60-1.53 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 145.5, 137.7, 137.5, 136.7, 135.8, 129.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 126.6, 126.1, 125.4, 119.3, 42.7, 38.0, 34.3, 30.3, 20.0. MS(EI): *m/z*(%): 274(100.0), 183(14.8), 170(68.1), 155(28.7), 129(68.8), 115 (25.4), 91(36.5).



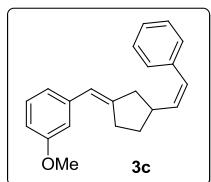
1-methyl-2-((E)-(3-(E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methylbenzene (3a'**):** oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.36-7.27 (m, 5H), 7.20-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.11-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.45-6.41 (m, 2H), 6.23 (dd, *J* = 6.8 Hz, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79-2.71 (m, 2H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.40 (m, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.01-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.54 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 145.4, 137.6, 137.5, 135.7, 134.0, 129.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.9, 126.9, 126.1, 126.0, 125.4, 119.4, 42.7, 41.8, 33.5, 30.2, 20.0. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂: C, 91.92; H, 8.08. Found: C, 91.83; H, 8.28.



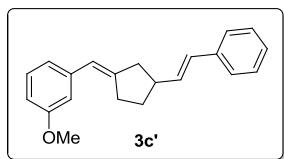
((Z)-2-((E)-3-benzylidenecyclopentyl)vinyl)benzene (3b**):** oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.36-7.23 (m, 9H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 1H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (s, 1H), 5.61 (dd, *J* = 10.0 Hz, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.14-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.78-2.70 (m, 2H), 2.57-2.53 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.37 (m, 1H), 2.09-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.66-1.59 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 145.7, 138.5, 137.7, 136.5, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 126.6, 125.8, 121.4, 43.6, 38.0, 34.6, 30.8. MS(EI): *m/z*(%): 260(83.6), 169(40.1), 156(100.0), 141(38.6), 129(57.3), 115 (47.3), 91(61.4).



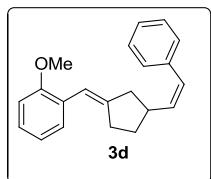
((E)-2-((E)-3-benzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)benzene (3b') : solid; m.p. 90-92 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.37-7.29 (m, 6H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 4H), 6.44 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.38 (s, 1H), 6.23 (dd, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.79-2.70 (m, 3H), 2.60-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.43 (m, 1H), 2.10-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.65 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 145.7, 138.6, 137.6, 133.8, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 127.0, 126.0, 125.8, 121.4, 42.8, 42.6, 33.8, 30.7. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}$: C, 92.26; H, 7.74. Found: C, 92.05; H, 7.89.



1-methoxy-3-((E)-(3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3c): oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.35-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 2H), 6.89 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.73 (dd, $J = 2.4$ Hz, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.33 (s, 1H), 5.60 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.15-3.09 (m, 1H), 2.79-2.69 (m, 2H), 2.60-2.53 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.11-2.04 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.61 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 159.5, 146.1, 139.9, 137.7, 136.4, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 126.6, 121.3, 120.7, 113.5, 111.3, 55.1, 43.6, 38.0, 34.6, 30.9. MS(EI): m/z (%): 290(100.0), 199(26.7), 186(71.8), 169(20.3), 159(39.7), 145 (22.7), 129(36.0), 91 (35.2). HRMS-ESI (m/z) [$M + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_1$: 291.1743; Found, 291.1741.

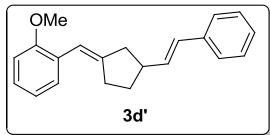


1-methoxy-3-((E)-(3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3c'): solid; m.p. 62-64 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.36-7.18 (m, 6H), 6.91 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.74 (dd, $J = 2.0$ Hz, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.46-6.42 (m, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 6.23 (dd, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.80-2.70 (m, 3H), 2.64-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.48-2.44 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.64 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 159.5, 146.1, 140.0, 137.6, 133.8, 129.1, 128.9, 128.5, 127.0, 126.0, 121.3, 120.7, 113.5, 111.3, 55.1, 42.8, 42.6, 33.8, 30.8. HRMS-ESI (m/z) [$M + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_1$: 291.1743; Found, 291.1741.

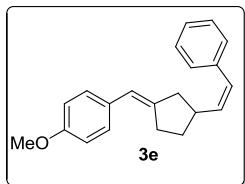


1-methoxy-2-((E)-(3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3d) : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.35-7.15 (m, 7H), 6.94-6.90 (m, 1H), 6.85 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 6.43 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.61 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 1H), 3.15-3.11 (m, 1H), 2.79-2.66 (m, 2H), 2.52-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.05-2.02 (m, 1H), 1.62-1.57 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 156.4, 145.6, 137.7,

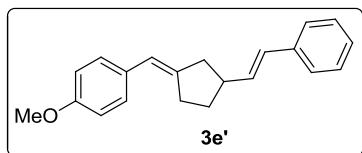
136.8, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.4, 127.2, 126.6, 120.1, 115.4, 110.3, 55.4, 43.1, 38.0, 34.5, 30.7. MS(EI): m/z (%): 290(100.0), 199(23.8), 186(71.8), 169(50.9), 159(39.7), 145 (22.7), 129(34.5), 91 (56.7), 44(42.8). HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₁: 291.1743; Found, 291.1741.



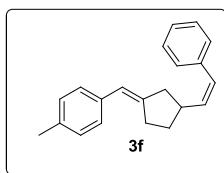
1-methoxy-2-((E)-(3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3d') : solid; m.p. 90-92 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.36-7.27 (m, 5H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (dd, *J* = 6.8 Hz, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.80-2.66 (m, 3H), 2.57-2.43 (m, 2H), 2.06-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.60 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 156.4, 145.6, 137.7, 134.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 127.5, 127.1, 126.9, 126.0, 120.1, 115.5, 110.3, 55.4, 42.8, 42.2, 33.7, 30.6. HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₁: 291.1743; Found, 291.1741.



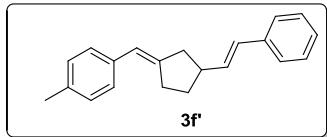
1-methoxy-4-((E)-(3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3e) : oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.35-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 2.0 Hz, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 5.60 (dd, *J* = 10.0 Hz, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.14-3.09 (m, 1H), 2.75-2.67(m, 2H), 2.54-2.49(m, 1H), 2.41-2.35(m, 1H), 2.08-2.04(m, 1H), 1.68-1.60(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 157.6, 143.3, 137.7, 136.6, 131.4, 129.0, 128.6, 128.2, 126.6, 120.7, 113.6, 55.2, 43.5, 38.0, 34.6, 30.6. MS(EI): m/z (%): 290(100.0), 199(12.3), 186(38.0), 159(27.8), 129(24.4), 121 (42.0). HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₁: 291.1743; Found, 291.1741.



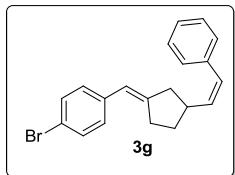
1-methoxy-4-((E)-(3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3e') : solid; m.p.110-112 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 6.23 (dd, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.74-2.69(m, 3H), 2.59-2.51(m, 1H), 2.45-2.39(m, 1H), 2.08-2.04(m, 1H), 1.71-1.61(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 157.6, 143.3, 137.6, 133.9, 131.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.5, 126.9, 126.0, 120.7, 113.7, 55.2, 42.7, 42.7, 33.9, 30.6. HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₁: 291.1743; Found, 291.1741.



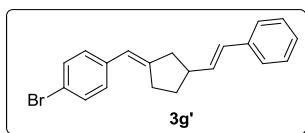
1-methyl-4-((E)-(3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3f) : solid; m.p. 76-78 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.35-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 3H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 5.60 (t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.17-3.07(m, 1H), 2.76-2.68(m, 2H), 2.57-2.49(m, 1H), 2.41-2.35(m, 1H), 2.32(s, 3H), 2.10-2.04(m, 1H), 1.68-1.58(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 144.6, 137.7, 136.6, 135.7, 135.4, 128.9, 128.6, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.6, 121.2, 43.5, 38.0, 34.6, 30.7, 21.1. MS(EI): *m/z*(%): 274(100.0), 170(70.8), 155(33.9), 144(16.0), 129(74.2), 105 (36.1), 91 (31.0).



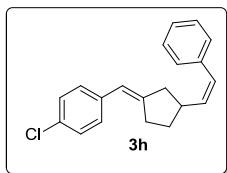
1-methyl-4-((E)-(3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3f') : solid; m.p. 80-82 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.17 (m, 5H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 6.23 (dd, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.77-2.69 (m, 3H), 2.61-2.53 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.40 (m, 1H), 2.33(s, 3H), 2.11-2.04 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.61 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 144.6, 137.6, 135.8, 135.4, 133.9, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 126.9, 126.0, 121.2, 42.7, 42.6, 33.9, 30.7, 21.1. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂: C, 91.92; H, 8.08. Found: C, 91.80; H, 8.26.



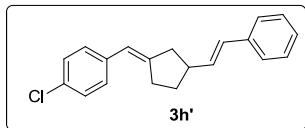
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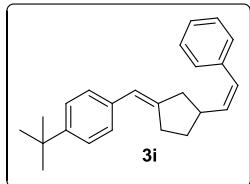
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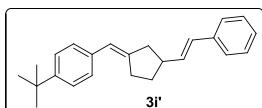
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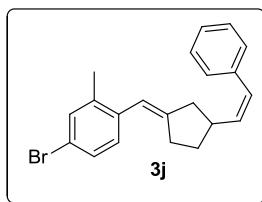
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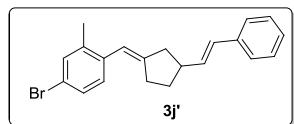
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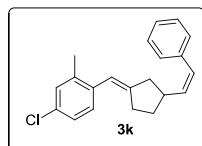
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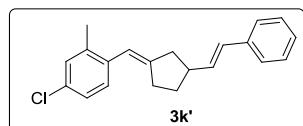
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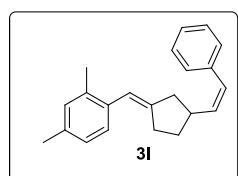
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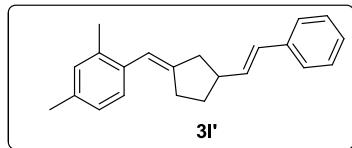
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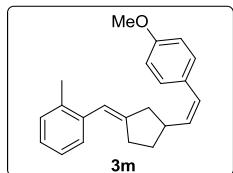
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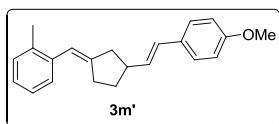
2,4-dimethyl-1-((E)-(3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3l) : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.36-7.17 (m, 6H), 6.96 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.43 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 5.61 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.16-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.76-2.70 (m, 1H), 2.62-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.37 (m, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.04-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.62-1.53 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 144.8, 137.7, 136.8, 135.6, 135.6, 134.6, 130.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 126.7, 126.1, 119.1, 42.7, 38.0, 34.3, 30.3, 21.0, 20.0. MS(EI): m/z (%): 288(100.0), 184(51.0), 169(35.7), 158(24.4), 128(43.1), 91 (26.6), 44 (23.0).



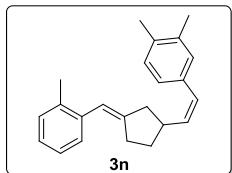
2,4-dimethyl-1-((E)-(3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3l') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.41 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.24 (dd, $J = 8.4$ Hz, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.77-2.71 (m, 2H), 2.64-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.40 (m, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.03-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.63-1.57 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 144.7, 137.7, 135.6, 135.6, 134.6, 134.2, 130.7, 128.7, 128.5, 127.8, 126.9, 126.1, 126.0, 119.2, 42.7, 41.9, 33.5, 30.2, 21.0, 20.0. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}$: C, 91.61; H, 8.39. Found: C, 91.76; H, 8.52.



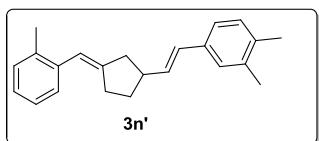
1-((E)-(3-((Z)-4-methoxystyryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)-2-methylbenzene (3m) : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.29-7.22 (m, 3H), 7.15-7.09 (m, 3H), 6.89-6.87 (m, 2H), 6.39 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 5.53 (dd, $J = 8.8$ Hz, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.16-3.11 (m, 1H), 2.77-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.34 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.04-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.51 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 158.3, 145.6, 137.5, 135.8, 135.3, 130.3, 129.8, 129.8, 128.0, 128.0, 126.1, 125.4, 119.3, 113.6, 55.3, 42.7, 38.0, 34.3, 30.3, 20.0. MS(EI): m/z (%): 304(100.0), 199(23.1), 170(48.5), 155(19.9), 134(35.2), 121 (50.8), 91(15.7), 44 (13.3). HRMS-ESI (m/z) $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_1$: 305.1900; Found, 305.1897.



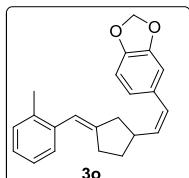
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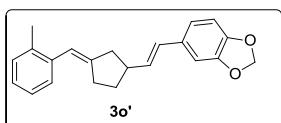
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1,2-dimethyl-4-((E)-2-((E)-3-(2-methylbenzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)benzene (3n') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.31-7.29(m, 1H), 7.17-7.04 (m, 6H), 6.41 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 6.18 (dd, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.73 (m, 2H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.04-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.54 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 145.6, 137.6, 136.5, 135.8, 135.3, 133.0, 129.8, 129.8, 128.6, 128.0, 127.2, 126.1, 125.4, 123.5, 119.3, 42.7, 41.9, 33.6, 30.2, 20.0, 19.8, 19.5. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{26}$: C, 91.34; H, 8.66. Found: C, 91.30; H, 8.72.

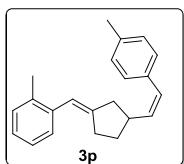


5-((Z)-2-((2-methylbenzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)benzo[d][1,3]dioxole (3o) : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.29-7.25(m, 1H), 7.15-7.07(m, 3H), 6.81-6.74(m, 3H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 6.33 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.95 (s, 2H), 5.53 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.15-3.09 (m, 1H), 2.77-2.71 (m, 1H), 2.63-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.33 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.02-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.58-1.53 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 147.4, 146.2, 145.4, 137.5, 135.8, 131.8, 129.8, 128.1, 128.0, 126.1, 125.4, 122.2, 119.4, 108.9, 108.1, 100.9, 42.7, 38.0, 34.3, 30.3, 20.0. MS(EI): m/z (%): 318(100.0), 213(15.9), 182(20.9), 170(42.0), 148(44.5), 135 (24.3), 129(28.9), 115 (17.5). HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2$: 319.1693; Found, 319.1689.

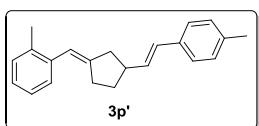


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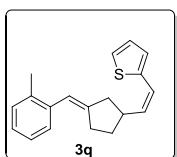
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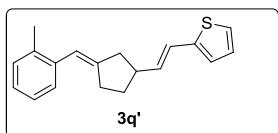
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1-methyl-2-((E)-3-((E)-4-methylstyryl)cyclopentylidene)methylbenzene (3p') : oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.31-7.23(m, 3H), 7.17-7.08(m, 5H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 6.18 (dd, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 16.0Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.73(m, 2H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.03-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.54 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 145.6, 137.5, 136.6, 135.8, 134.8, 133.0, 129.8, 129.2, 128.5, 128.0, 126.1, 125.9, 125.4, 119.3, 42.7, 41.9, 33.6, 30.2, 21.1, 20.0. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₂₄ : C, 91.61; H, 8.39. Found: C, 91.72; H, 8.48.

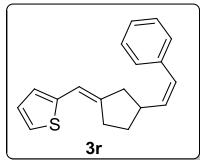


2-((Z)-2-((E)-3-(2-methylbenzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)thiophene (3q) : oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.18-7.08 (m, 3H), 7.01-6.98 (m, 2H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 5.55 (dd, *J* = 10.0 Hz, *J* = 11.2Hz, 1H), 3.39-3.33 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.81(m, 1H), 2.63-2.59 (m, 1H), 2.53-2.45 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.13-2.09 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.52 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 145.3, 140.3, 137.5, 135.8, 135.0, 129.9, 128.0, 127.3, 126.8, 126.1, 125.4, 124.9, 121.3, 119.5, 42.2, 38.8, 33.7, 30.3, 20.0. MS(EI): *m/z*(%): 270(73.4), 182(37.3), 170(100.0), 155(36.4), 135(18.5), 129 (65.4), 105(30.4), 97 (20.8).

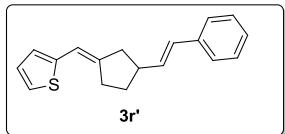


2-((E)-2-((E)-3-(2-methylbenzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)thiophene (3q') : oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ: 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.08 (m, 4H), 6.94-6.88 (m, 2H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.08 (dd, *J* = 7.2Hz, *J* = 15.6Hz, 1H), 2.76-2.73(m, 2H), 2.62-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.48-2.38 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.03-1.97 (m,

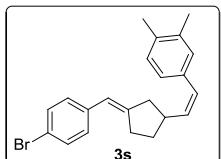
1H), 1.63-1.51 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 145.3, 142.9, 137.5, 135.8, 134.0, 129.8, 127.9, 127.2, 126.1, 125.4, 124.4, 123.2, 122.0, 119.5, 42.5, 41.7, 33.4, 30.1, 20.0. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{S}$: C, 81.38; H, 7.19. Found: C, 81.54; H, 7.31.



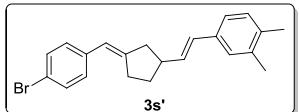
2-((E)-3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methylthiophene (3r) : solid; m.p. 72-74 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.35-7.19 (m, 6H), 6.99 (dd, $J = 3.6\text{Hz}$, $J = 5.2\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.89 (d, $J = 3.2\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 6.44 (d, $J = 11.6\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 5.60 (dd, $J = 10.0\text{Hz}$, $J = 12.0\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.18-3.12(m, 1H), 2.74-2.67(m, 2H), 2.51-2.47 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.13-2.11 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.67 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 144.1, 142.5, 137.6, 136.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 126.8, 126.6, 124.8, 123.9, 114.9, 43.1, 38.7, 34.4, 31.1. MS(EI): m/z (%): 266(100.0), 175(19.9), 162(43.8), 135(45.8), 129(31.0), 97 (28.0), 77 (10.2).



2-((E)-3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methylthiophene (3r') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.36-7.20 (m, 6H), 7.02-7.00 (m, 1H), 6.91 (d, $J = 3.2\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.45 (d, $J = 16.0\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 6.23 (dd, $J = 7.2\text{Hz}$, $J = 16.0\text{Hz}$, 1H), 2.81-2.68 (m, 3H), 2.57-2.41 (m, 2H), 2.16-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.67 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 144.1, 142.6, 137.6, 133.6, 129.0, 128.5, 127.0, 126.9, 126.0, 124.8, 123.9, 114.9, 43.3, 42.3, 33.7, 31.1. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{S}$: C, 81.15; H, 6.81. Found: C, 81.04; H, 6.92.

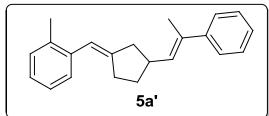


4-((Z)-2-((E)-3-(4-bromobenzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)-1,2-dimethylbenzene (3s) : solid; m.p. 68-70 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.42 (d, $J = 8.4\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.4\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 7.10 (d, $J = 8.0\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 7.04 (d, $J = 6.8\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 6.39 (d, $J = 11.2\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 5.53 (dd, $J = 10.0\text{Hz}$, $J = 11.6\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.16-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.73-2.66 (m, 2H), 2.54-2.45 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.31 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.57 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 146.9, 137.4, 136.3, 135.4, 135.2, 135.1, 131.3, 130.0, 129.5, 129.5, 128.8, 125.9, 120.2, 119.4, 43.7, 38.0, 34.5, 30.8, 19.9, 19.5. MS(EI): m/z (%): 368(99.2), 366(99.0), 234(86.1), 197(59.3), 169(43.0), 157 (47.5), 128(100.0), 119 (77.2).

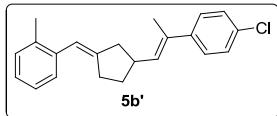


4-((E)-2-((E)-3-(4-bromobenzylidene)cyclopentyl)vinyl)-1,2-dimethylbenzene (3s') : solid; m.p. 110-112 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.42 (d, $J = 8.4\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.10-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.38 (d, $J = 16.0\text{ Hz}$,

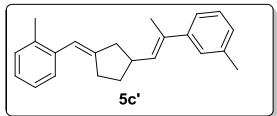
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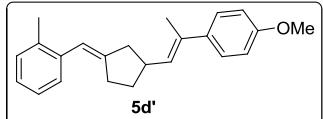
1-methyl-2-((E)-3-((E)-2-phenylprop-1-en-1-yl)cyclopentylidene)methylbenzene (5a') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.41-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.10 (m, 3H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 5.75 (dd, J = 1.2Hz, J = 8.8Hz, 1H), 2.98-2.96 (m, 1H), 2.79-2.73 (m, 1H), 2.61-2.59 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.46 (m, 1H), 2.38-2.30 (m, 4H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.04-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.51 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 145.8, 143.7, 137.5, 135.8, 134.3, 132.5, 129.8, 128.2, 127.9, 126.6, 126.1, 125.6, 125.4, 119.2, 42.3, 38.9, 33.8, 30.3, 20.1, 16.1. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}$: C, 91.61; H, 8.39. Found: C, 91.70; H, 8.52.



1-((E)-3-((E)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)cyclopentylidene)methyl-2-methylbenzene (5b') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.33-7.25 (m, 5H), 7.16-7.10 (m, 3H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 5.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98-2.93 (m, 1H), 2.78-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.59 (m, 1H), 2.50-2.46 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.26 (m, 4H), 2.07-2.01 (m, 4H), 1.58-1.50 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 145.6, 142.1, 137.5, 135.8, 133.3, 133.0, 132.2, 129.9, 128.2, 127.9, 126.9, 126.1, 125.4, 119.3, 42.3, 38.9, 33.8, 30.3, 20.1, 16.0. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{Cl}$: C, 81.84; H, 7.18. Found: C, 81.67; H, 7.30.

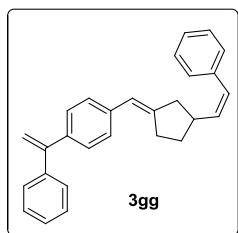


1-methyl-2-((E)-3-((E)-2-(m-tolyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)cyclopentylidene)methylbenzene (5c') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.32-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.10 (m, 6H), 7.06-7.03 (m, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 5.73 (dd, J = 1.2 Hz, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.97-2.93 (m, 1H), 2.78-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.60-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.48-2.46 (m, 1H), 2.38-2.34 (m, 4H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.03-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.51 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 145.8, 143.8, 137.6, 135.8, 134.4, 132.3, 129.8, 128.1, 128.0, 127.3, 126.4, 126.1, 125.4, 122.7, 119.2, 42.3, 38.8, 33.8, 30.3, 21.5, 20.1, 16.1. Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{26}$: C, 91.34; H, 8.66. Found: C, 91.28; H, 8.74.

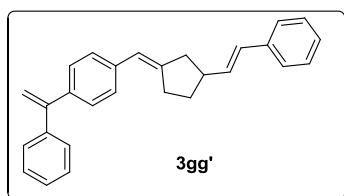


1-((E)-3-((E)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)cyclopentylidene)methyl-2-methylbenzene (5d') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.32-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.08 (m, 3H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 5.67 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.98-2.90 (m, 1H), 2.78-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.50-2.41 (m, 1H), 2.37-2.29

(m, 4H), 2.07-2.01 (m, 4H), 1.57-1.45 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 158.5, 145.9, 137.6, 136.3, 135.8, 133.7, 130.9, 129.8, 128.0, 126.6, 126.0, 125.4, 119.2, 113.5, 55.3, 42.4, 38.9, 33.9, 30.3, 20.1, 16.1. HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_1$: 319.2056; Found, 319.2064.



1-(1-phenylvinyl)-4-((E)-(3-((Z)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3gg) : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.35-7.24 (m, 13H), 7.22-7.21 (m, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 5.60 (dd, J = 10.0 Hz, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.14-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.76-2.70 (m, 2H), 2.58-2.53 (m, 1H), 2.44-2.37 (m, 1H), 2.10-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.61 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 149.7, 146.0, 141.5, 138.7, 138.0, 137.6, 136.4, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 126.6, 121.0, 113.9, 43.7, 38.0, 34.6, 30.9. MS(EI): m/z (%): 362(100.0), 258(49.6), 193(25.5), 178(28.4), 129(50.7), 103 (44.3), 57(34.0), 44 (15.6).

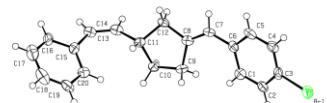
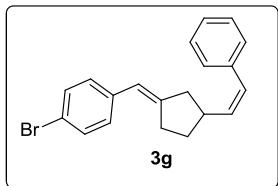


1-(1-phenylvinyl)-4-((E)-(3-((E)-styryl)cyclopentylidene)methyl)benzene (3gg') : oil; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400MHz) δ : 7.37-7.27 (m, 13H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 1H), 6.45 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 6.23 (dd, J = 7.2 Hz, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.48 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.80-2.73 (m, 3H), 2.64-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.42 (m, 1H), 2.13-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.73-1.65 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 149.7, 146.0, 141.5, 138.7, 137.5, 133.8, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 127.7, 127.7, 127.0, 126.0, 121.0, 113.9, 42.9, 42.7, 33.8, 30.9.

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6. Crystallographic data of 3g and 3e'

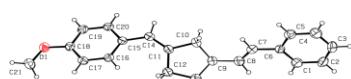
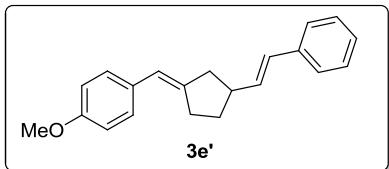


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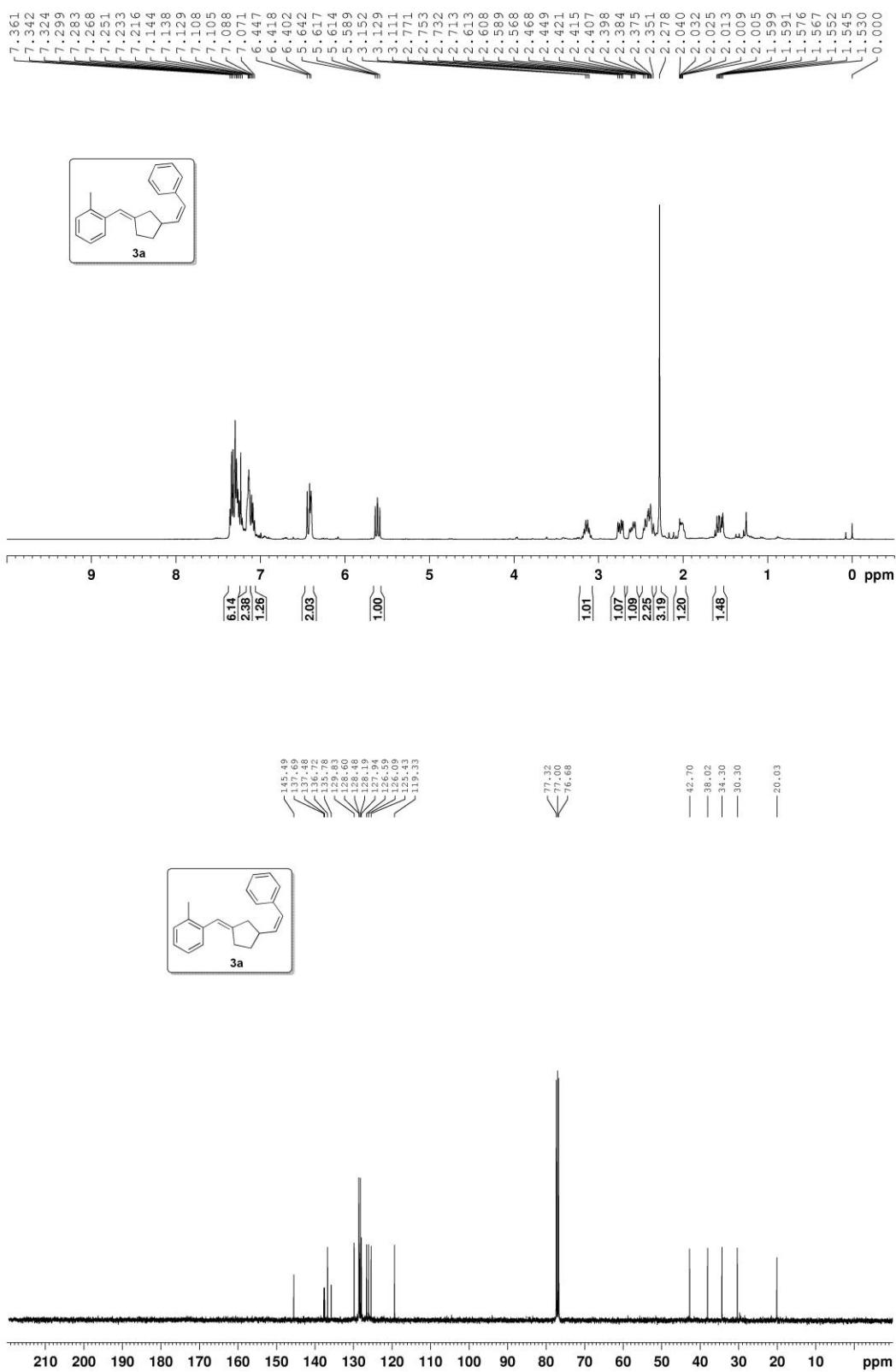
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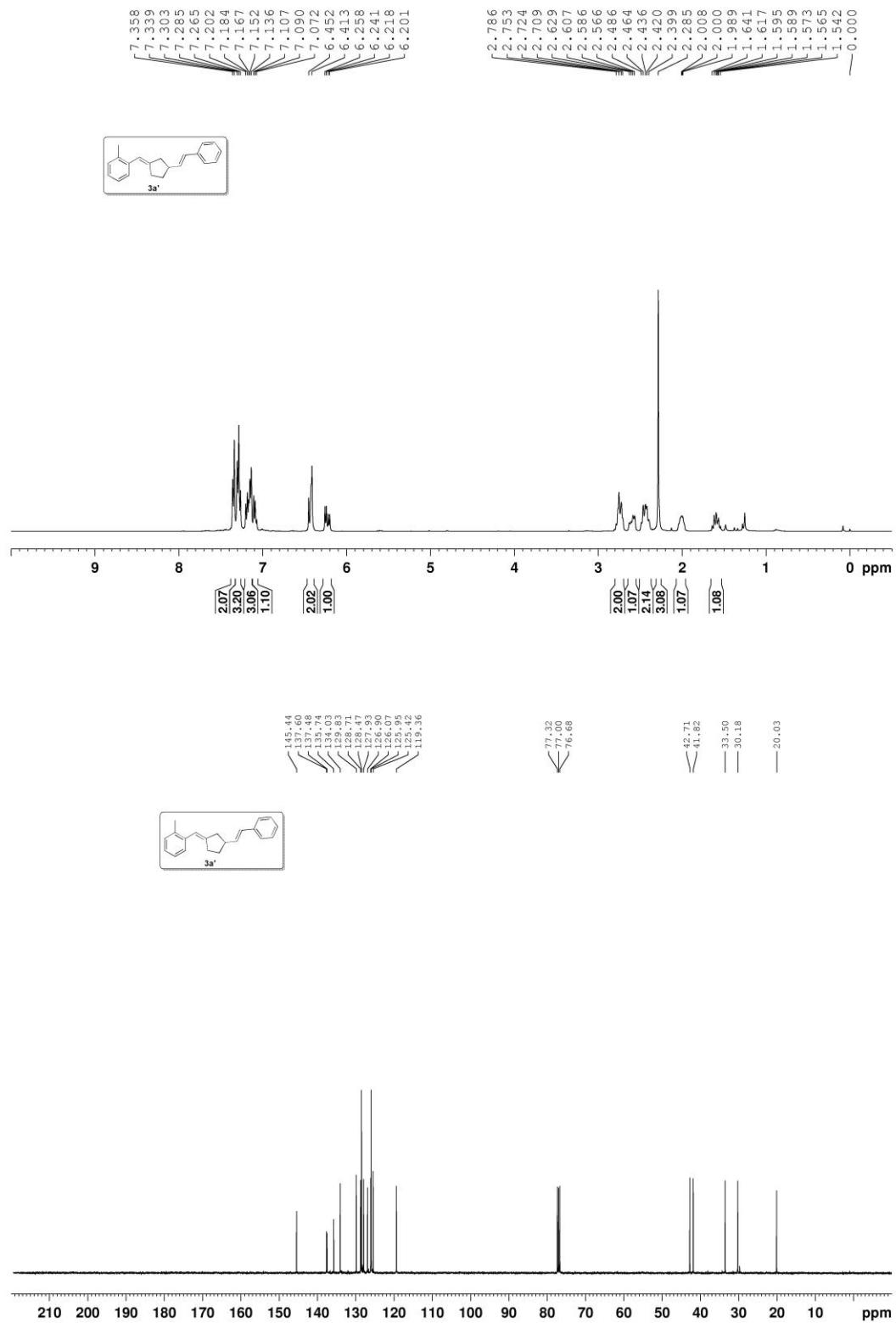
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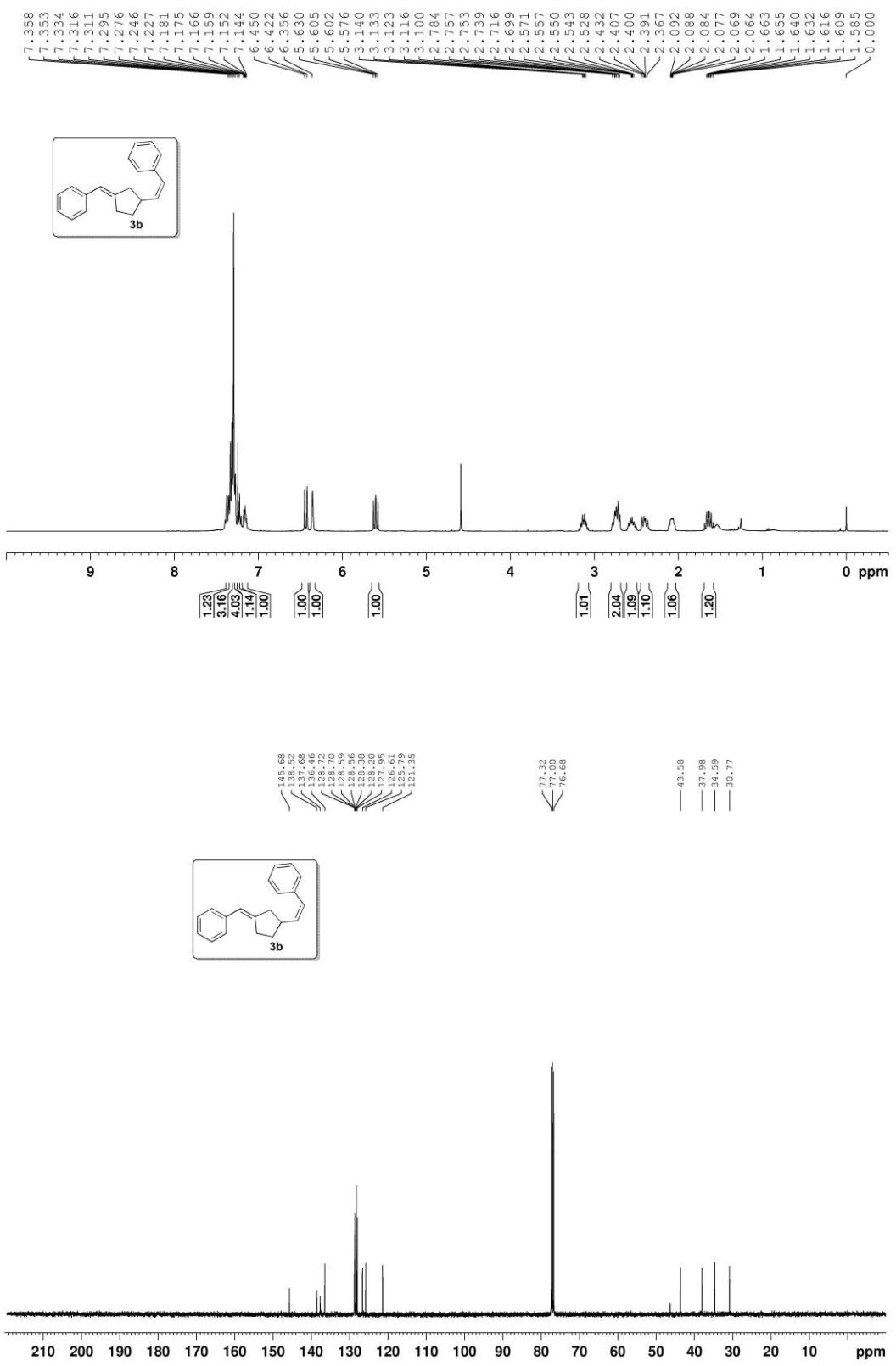
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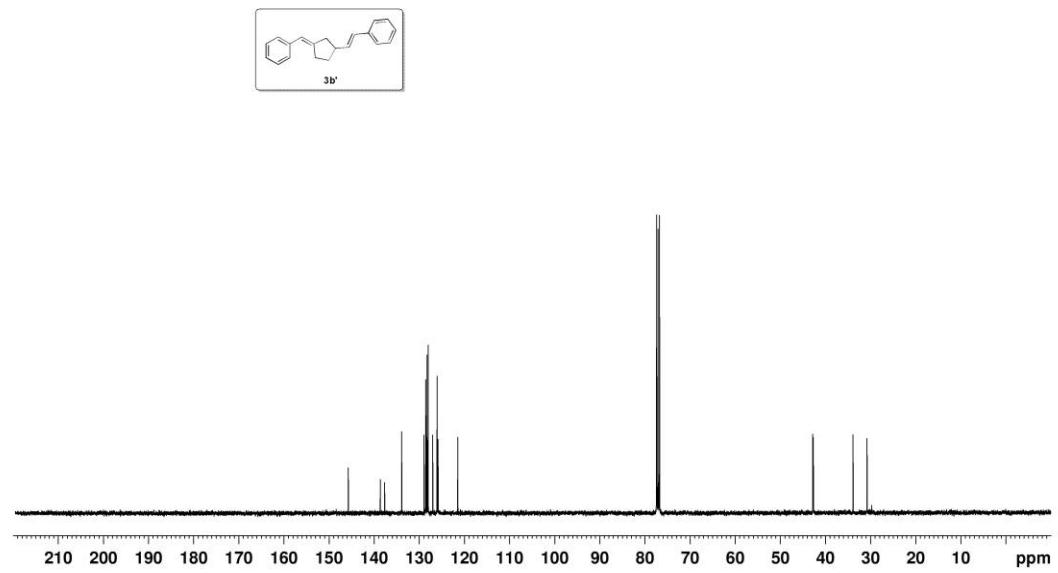
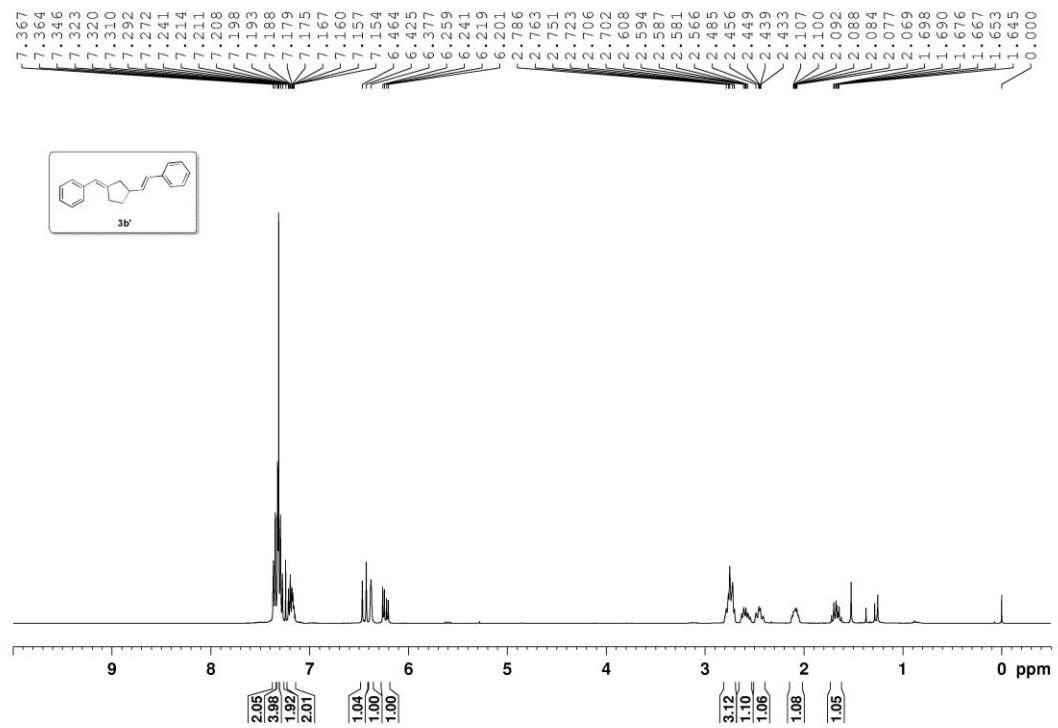
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Sum formula	C ₂₁ H ₂₂ O	C ₂₁ H ₂₂ O
Mr	290.39	290.39
D _{x,g} cm ⁻³	1.179	1.179
Z	4	4
Mu (mm ⁻¹)	0.070	0.070
F000	624.0	624.0
F000'	624.25	
h,k,lmax	21,18,7	21,18,7
Nref	3222	3215
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Tmin'	0.976	
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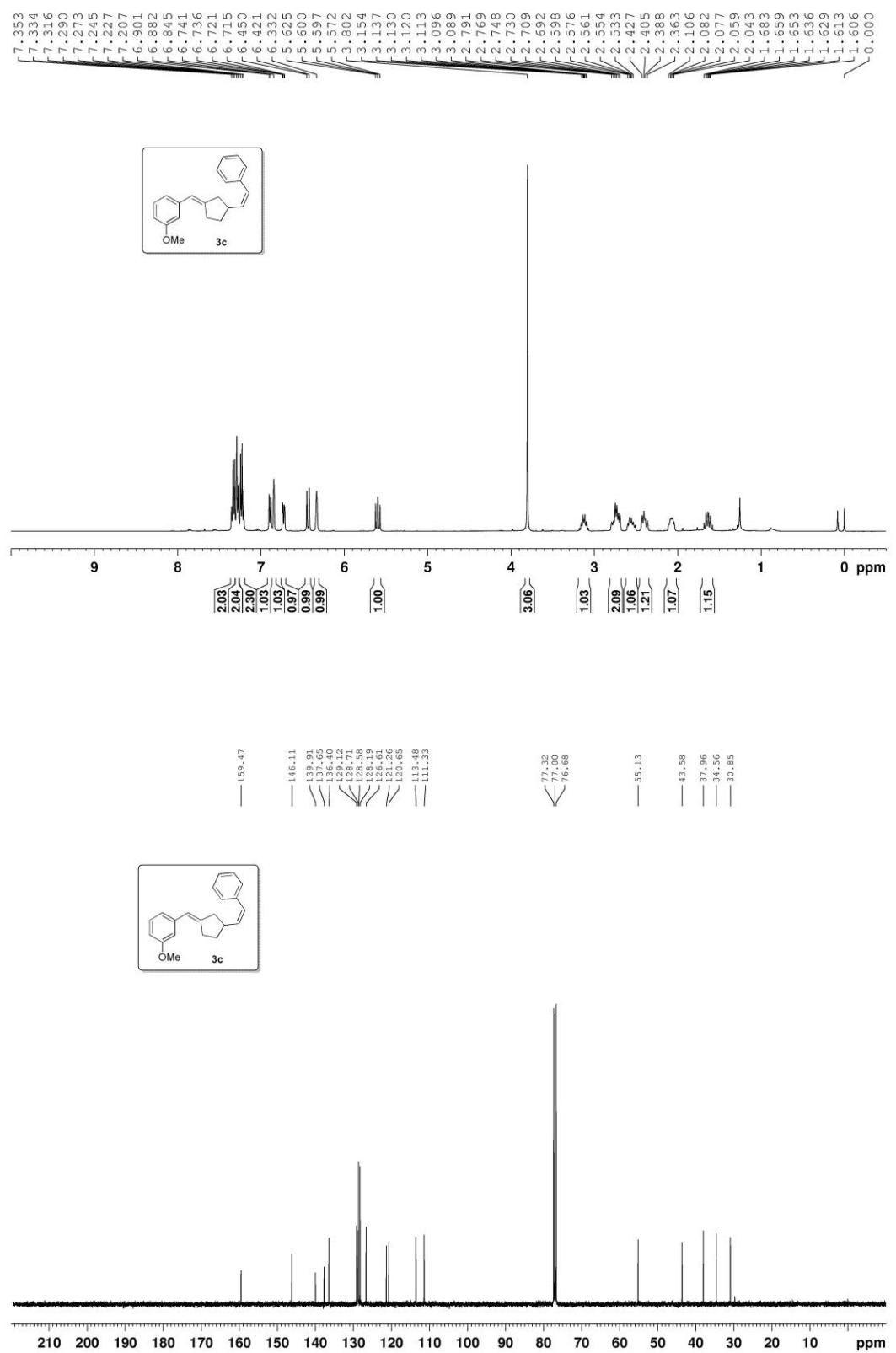
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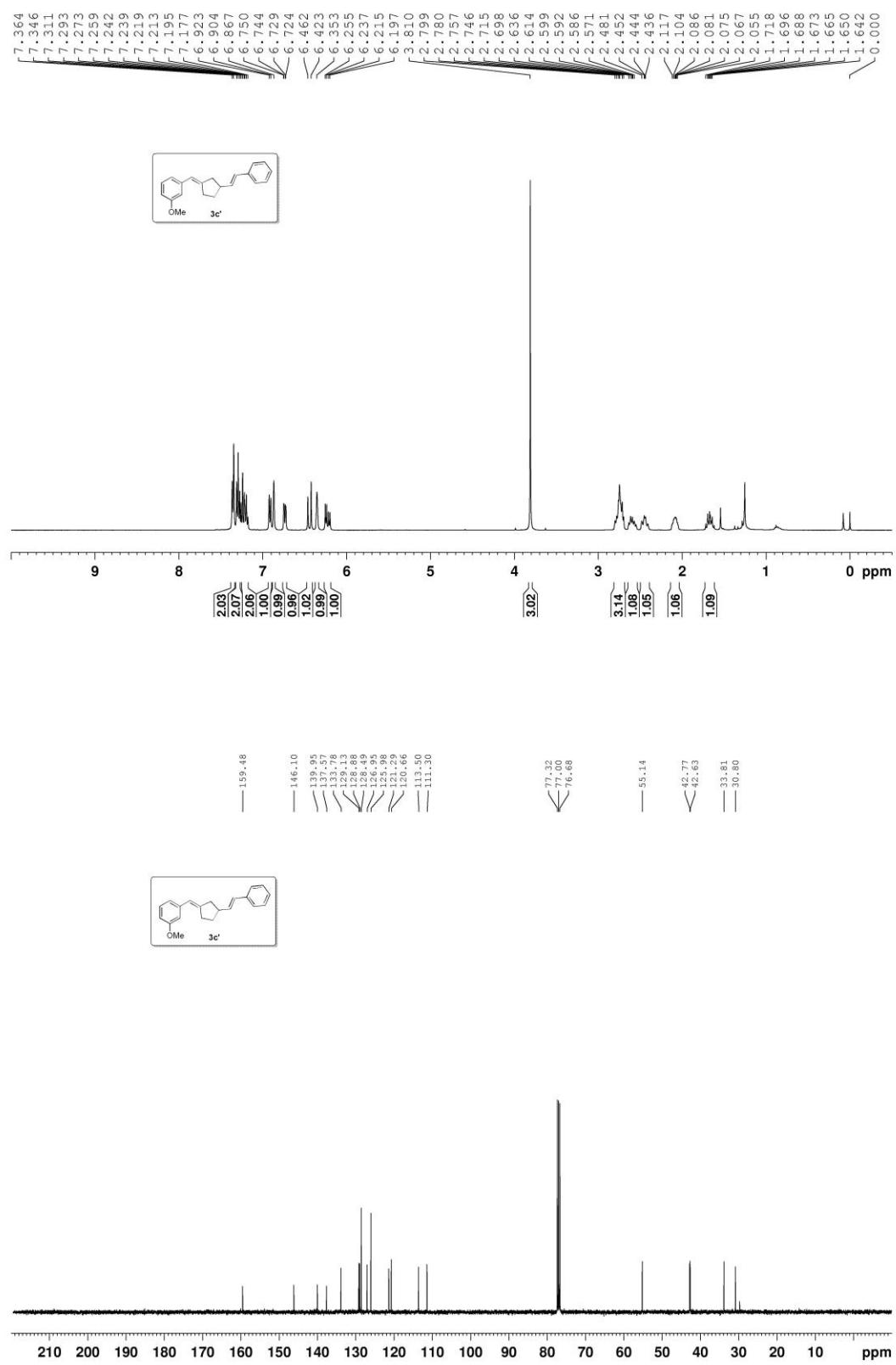


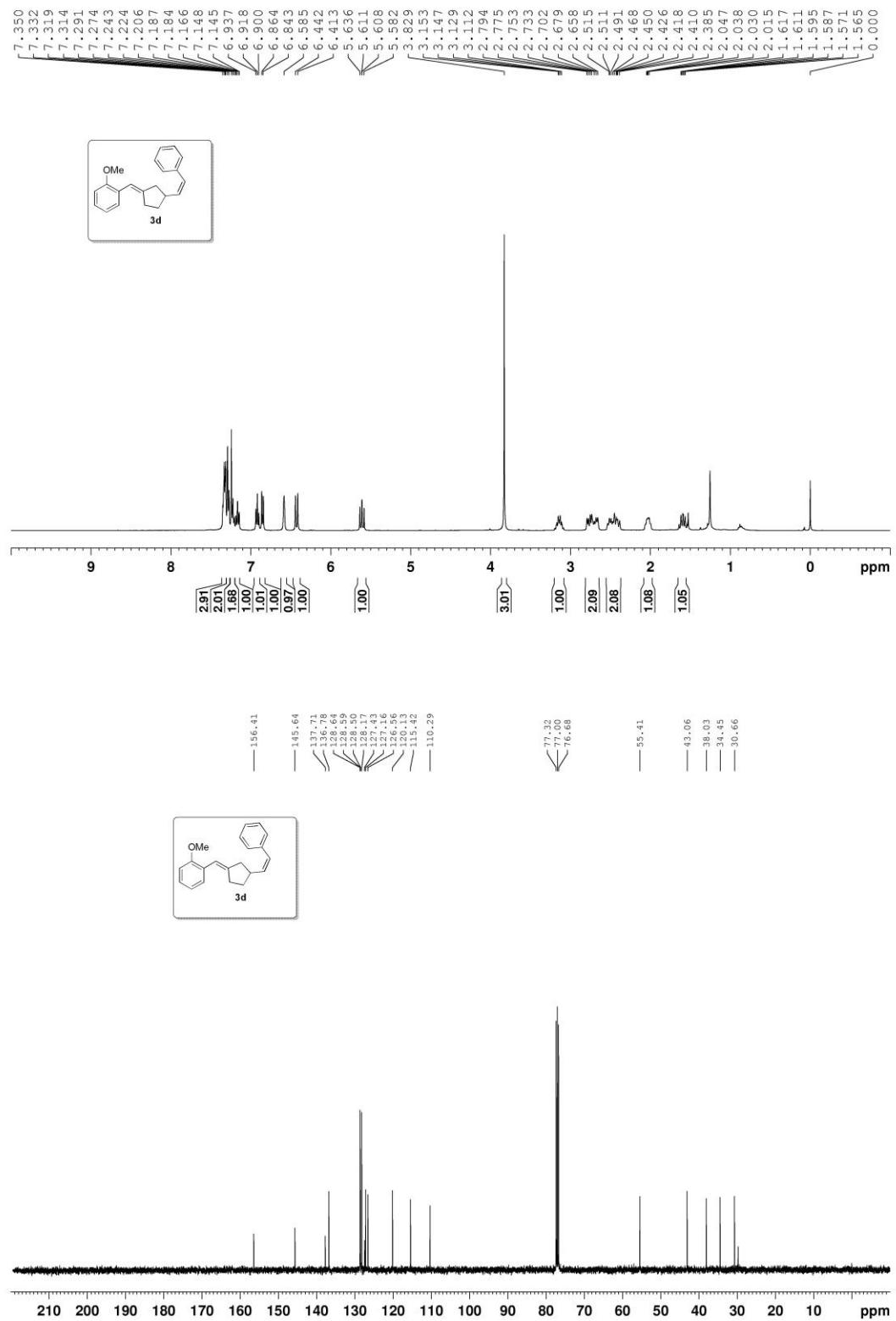


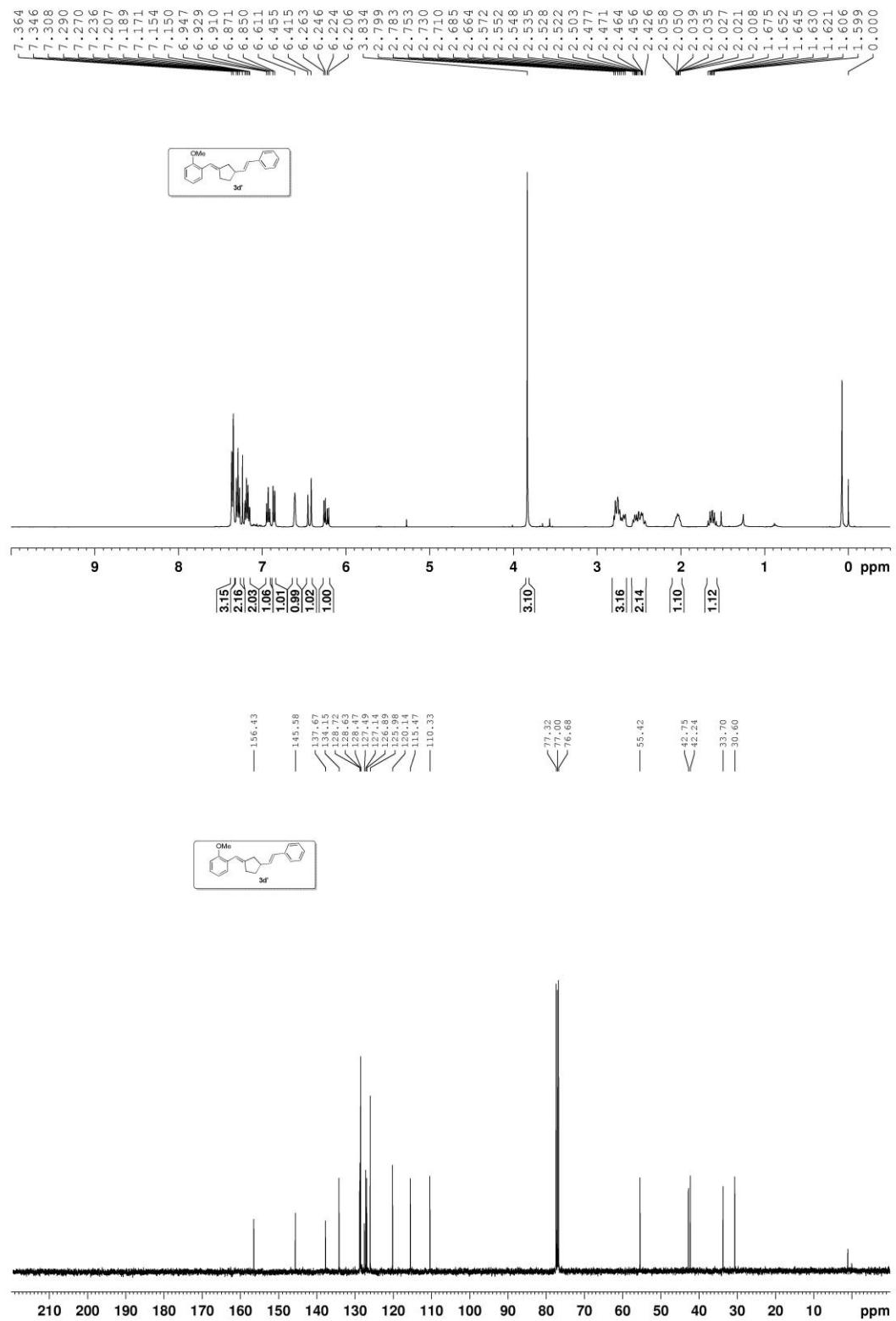


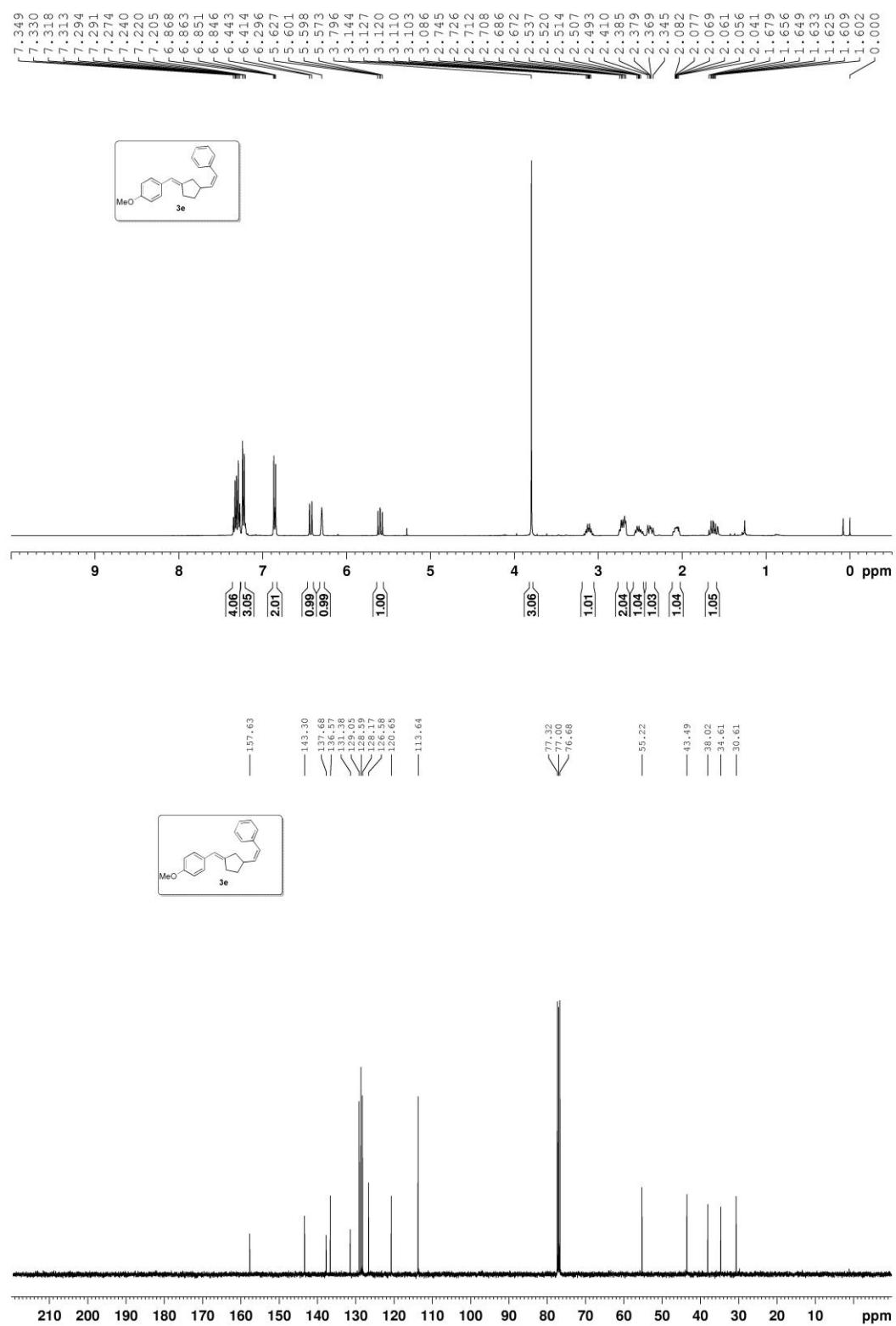


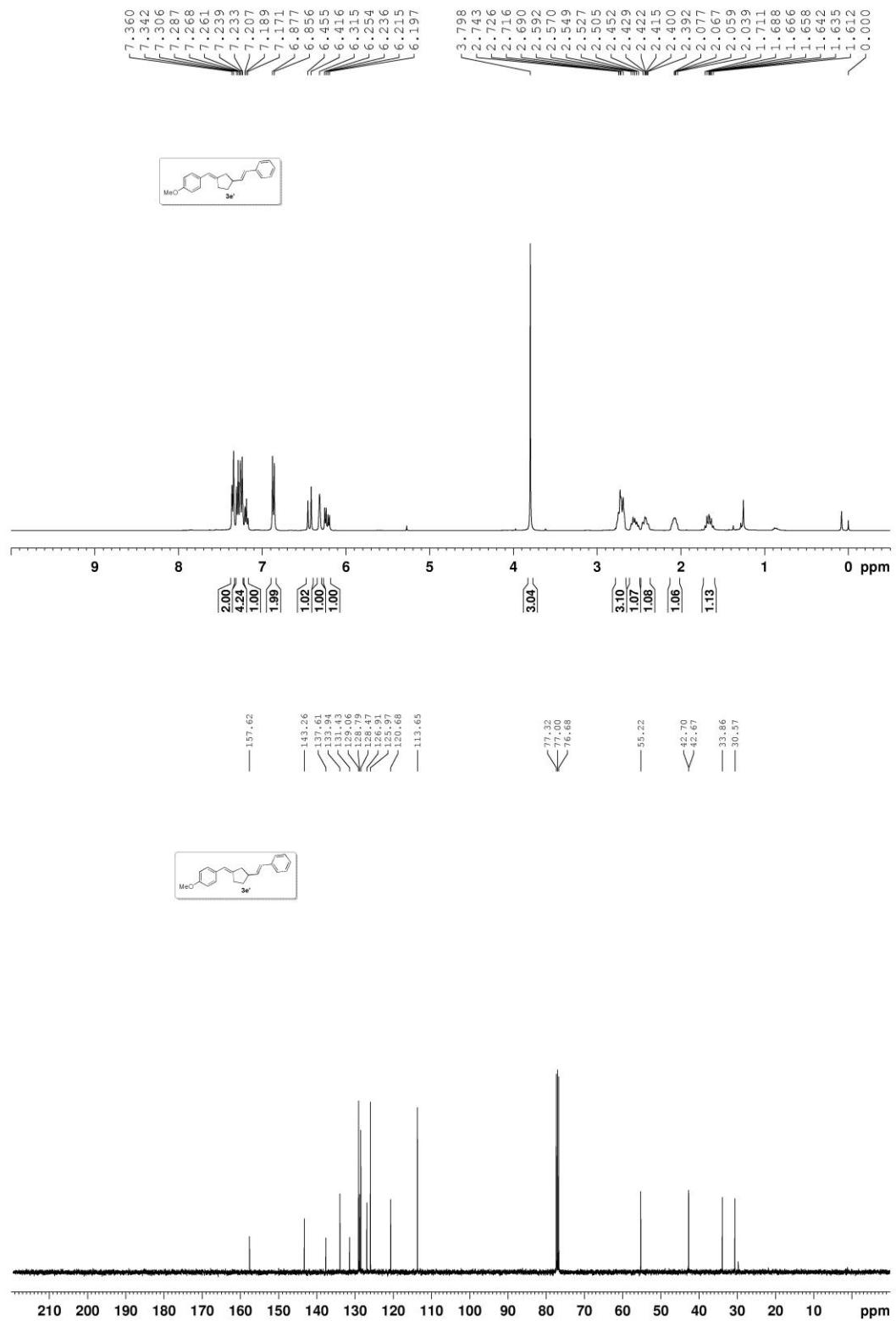


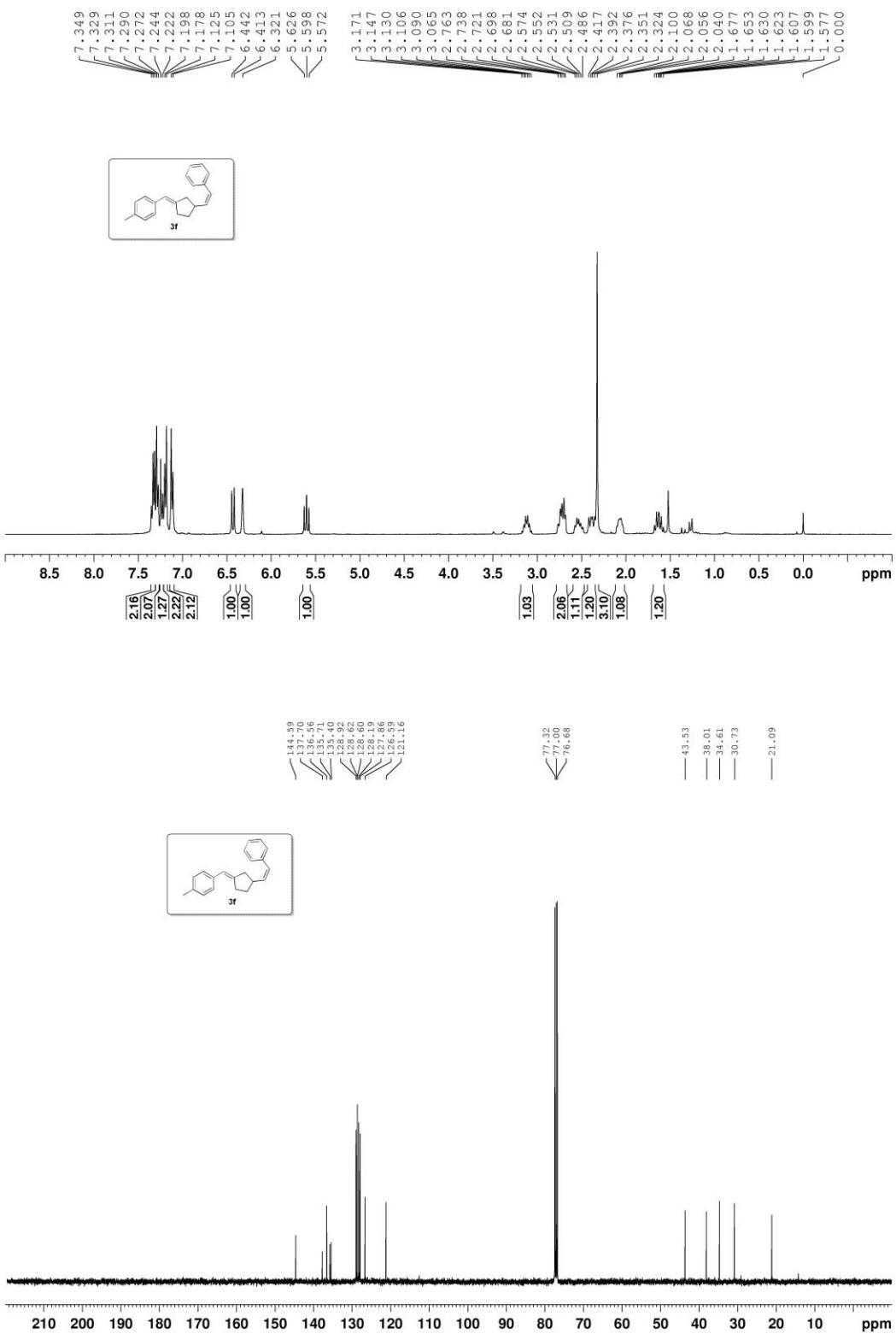


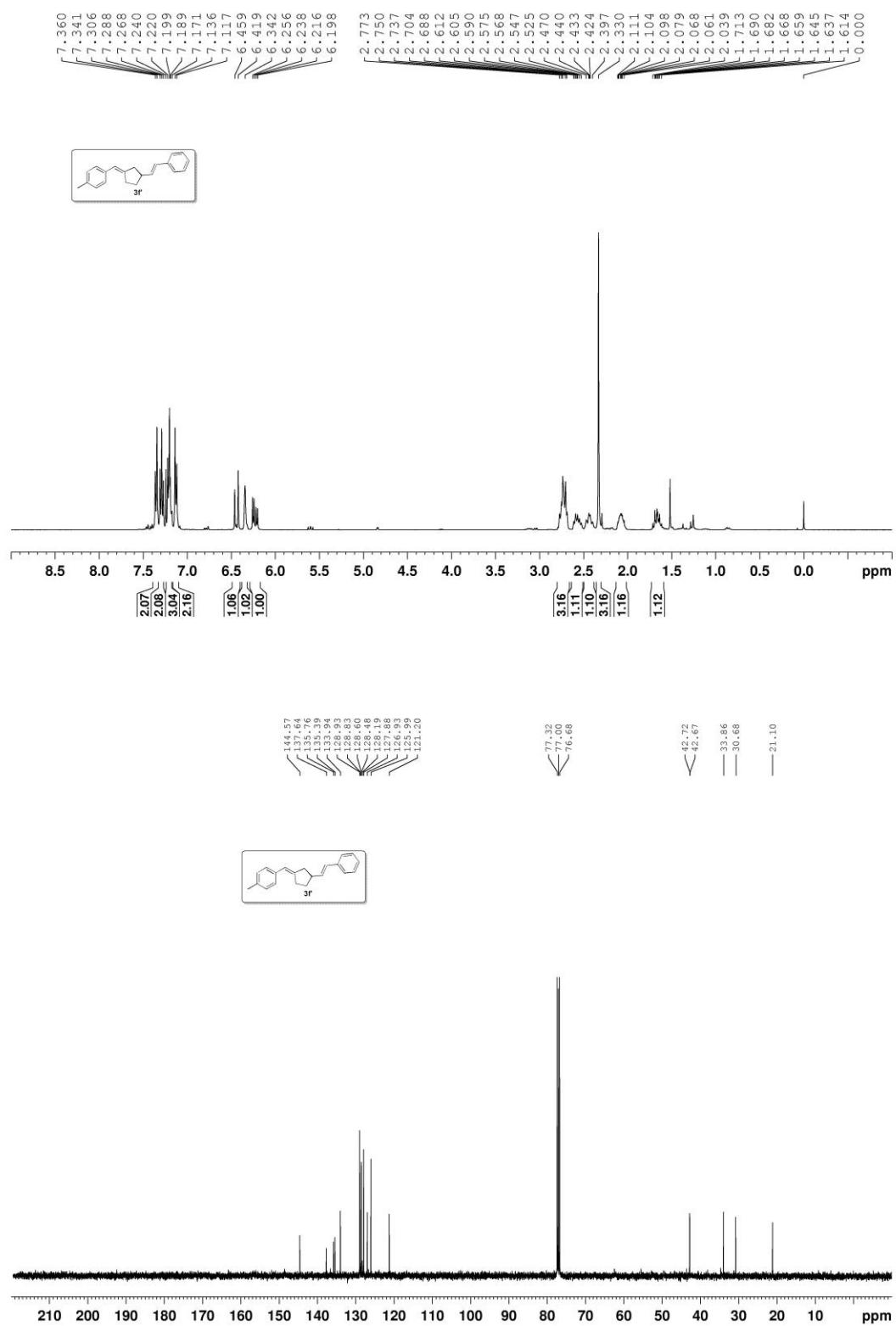


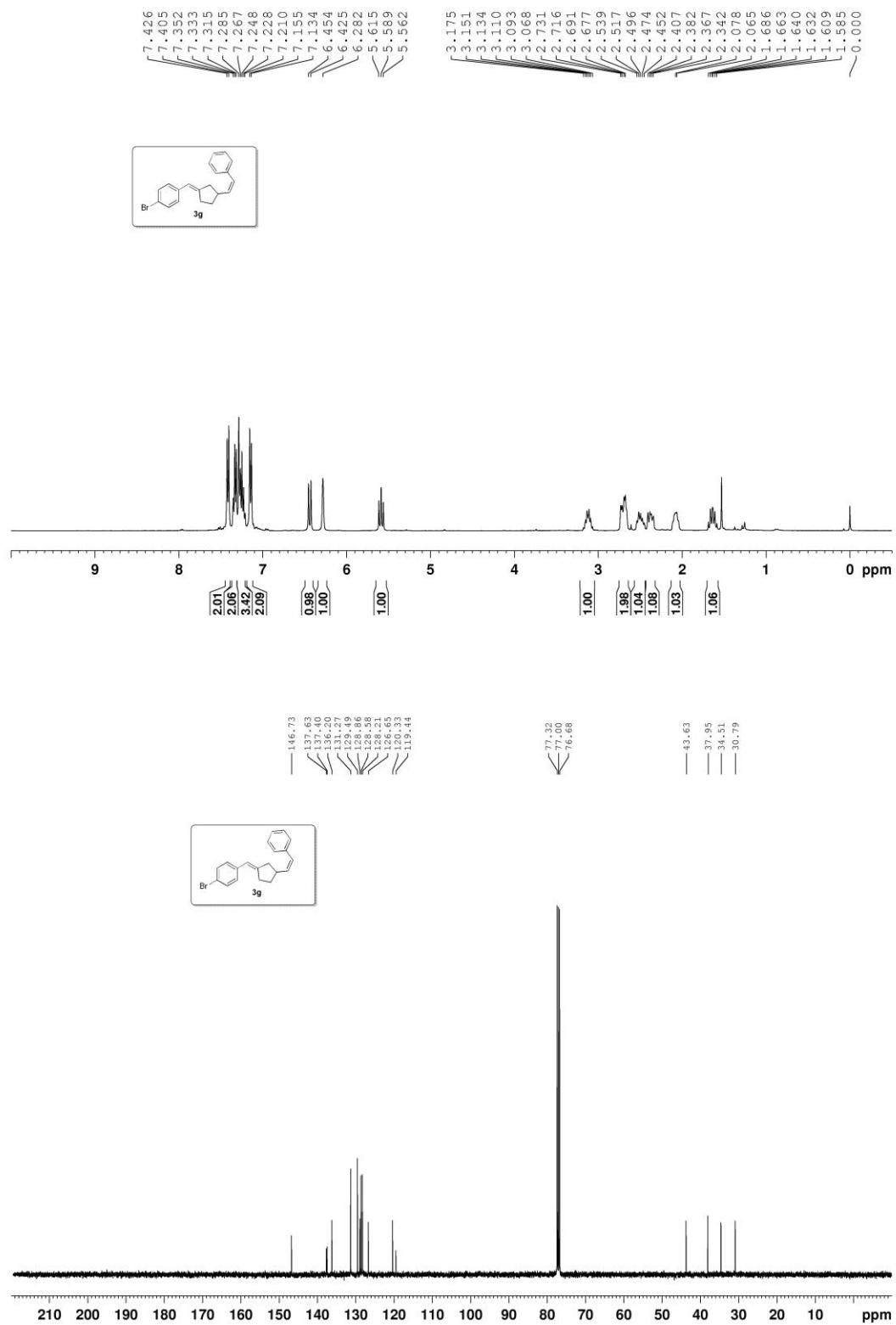


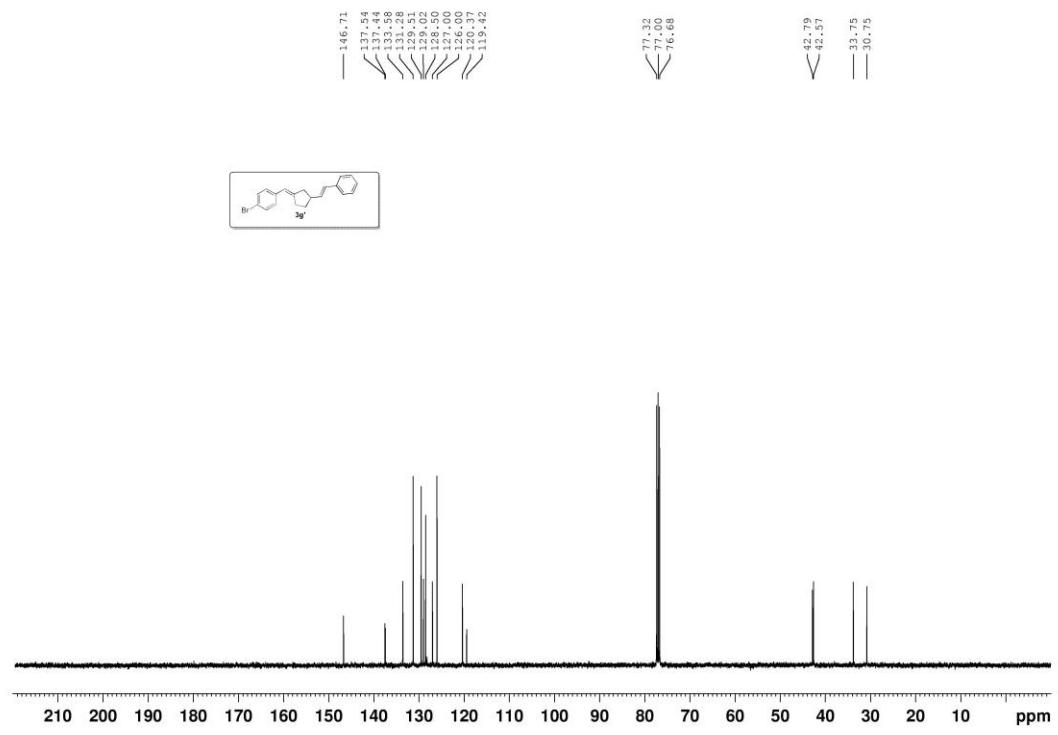
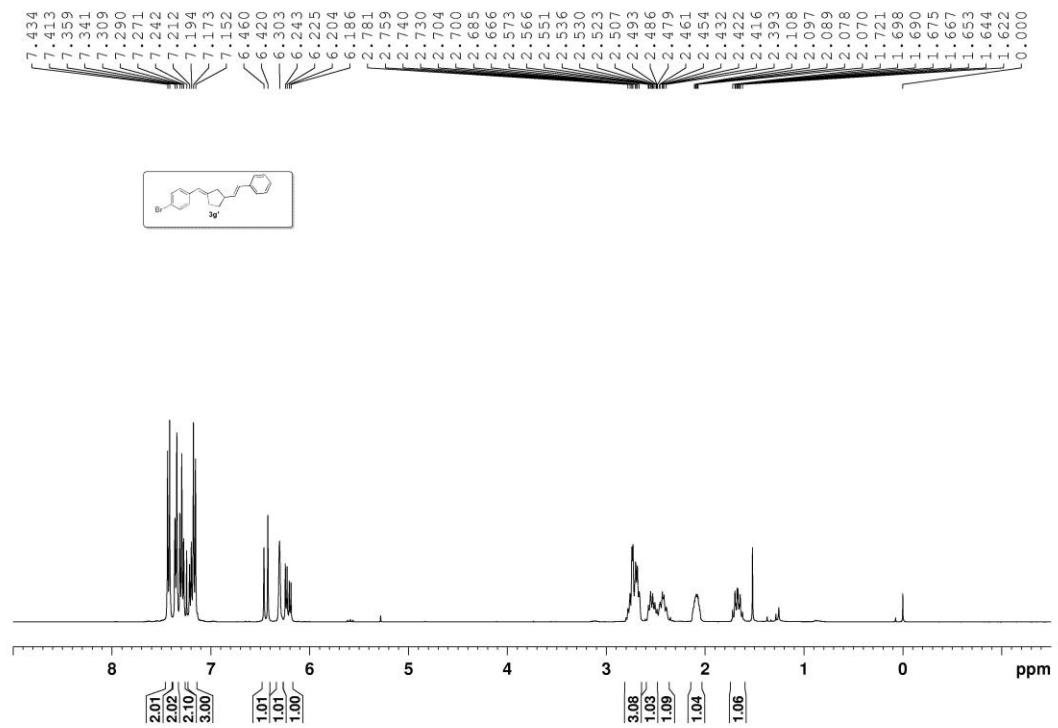


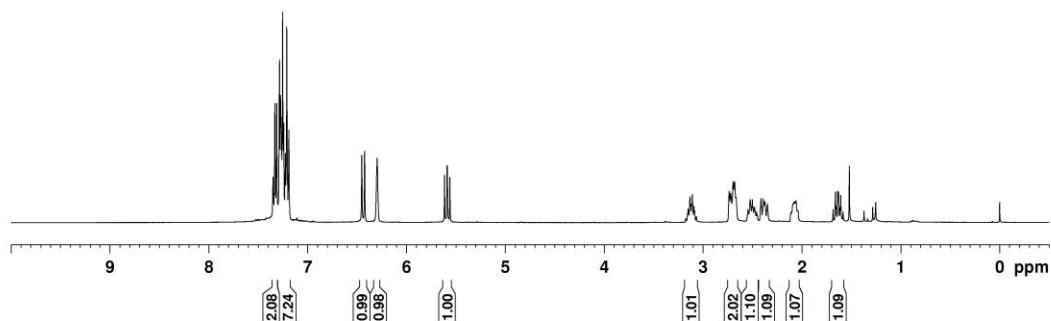
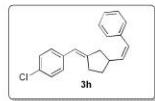
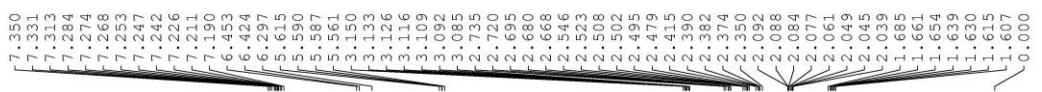






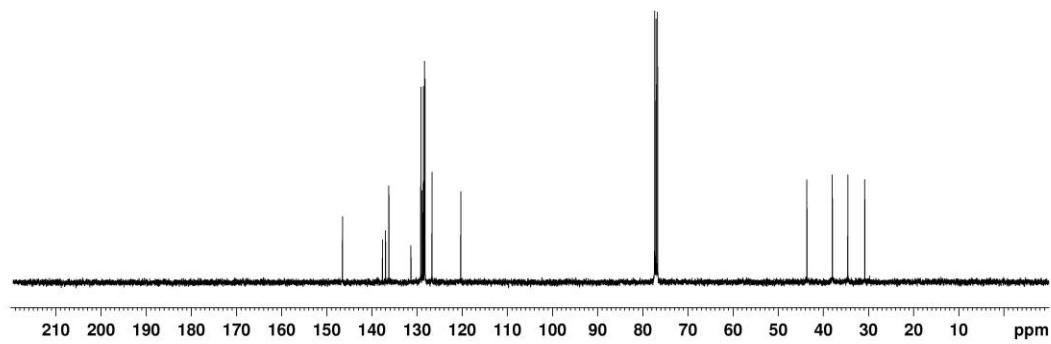
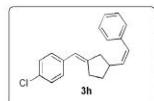


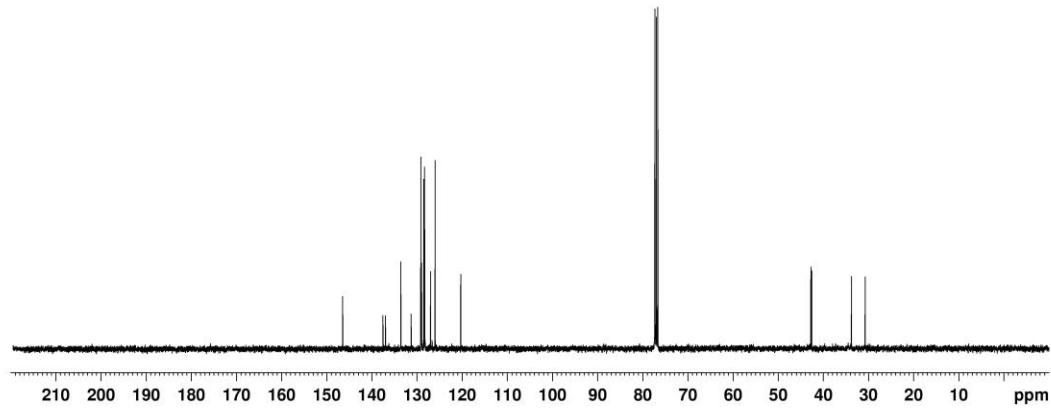
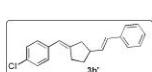
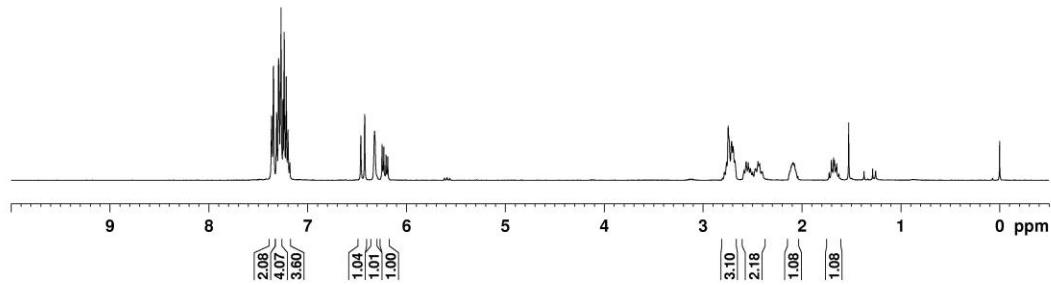
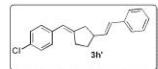
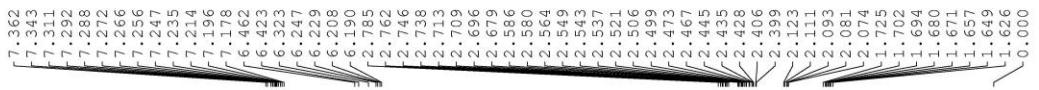


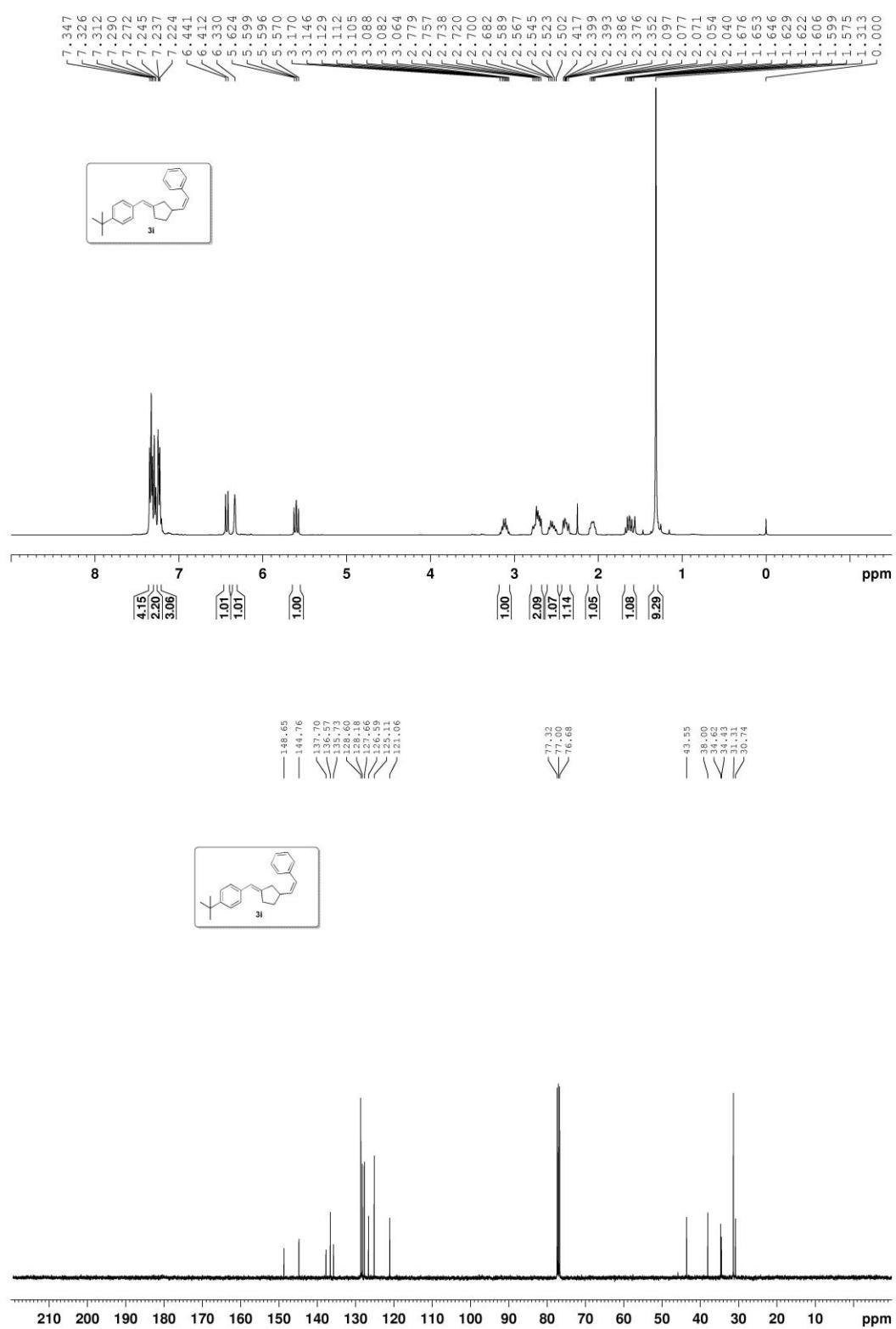


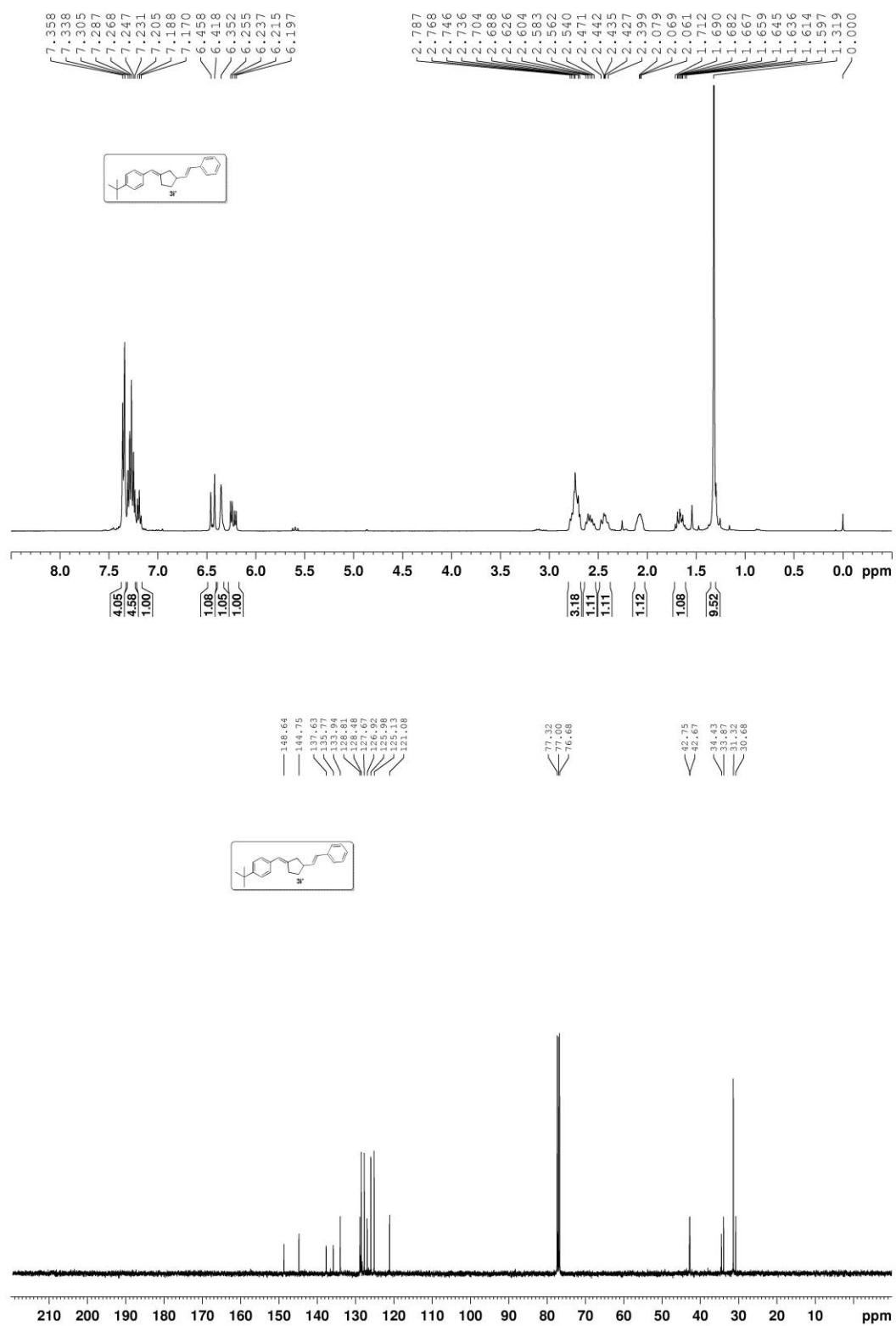
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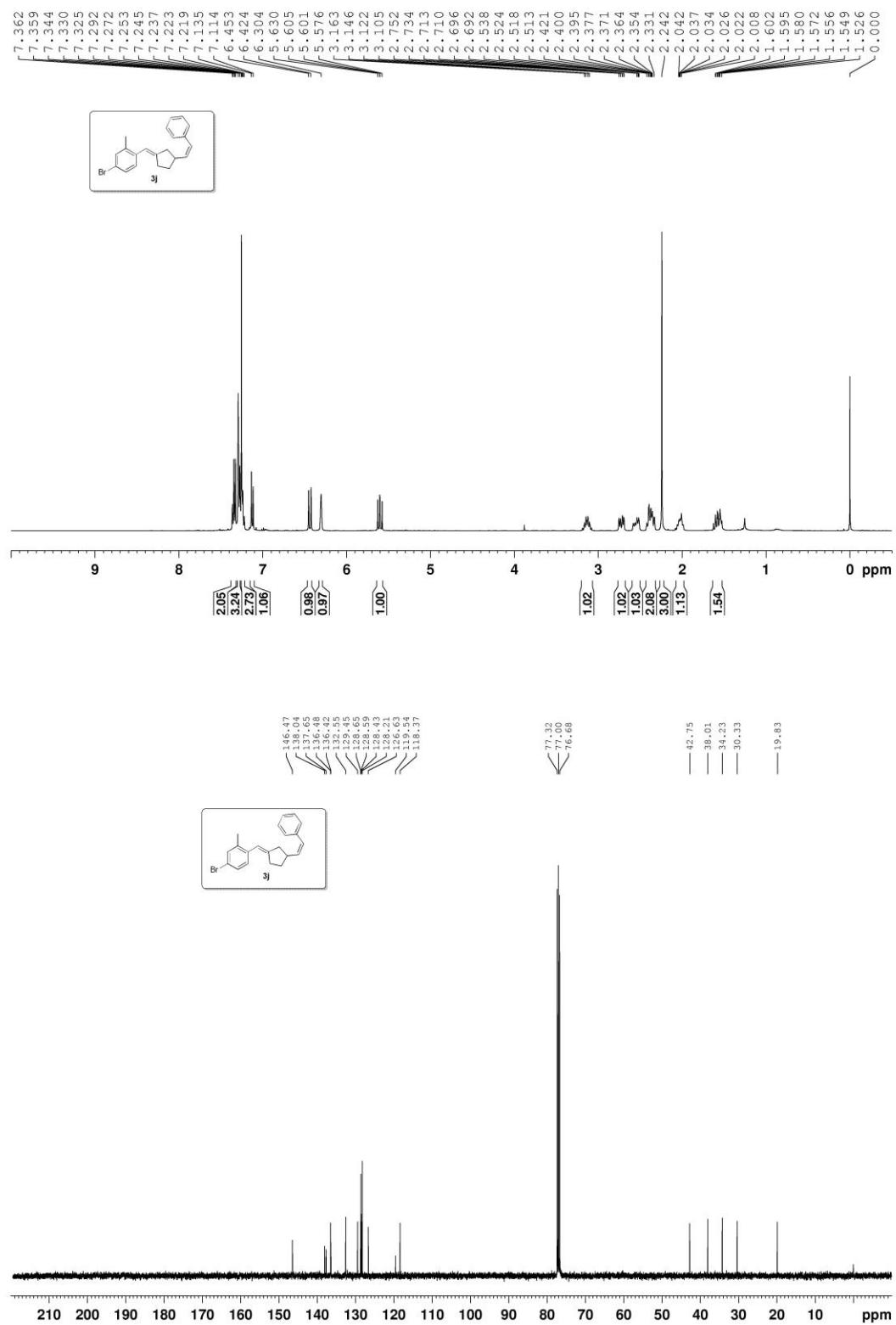
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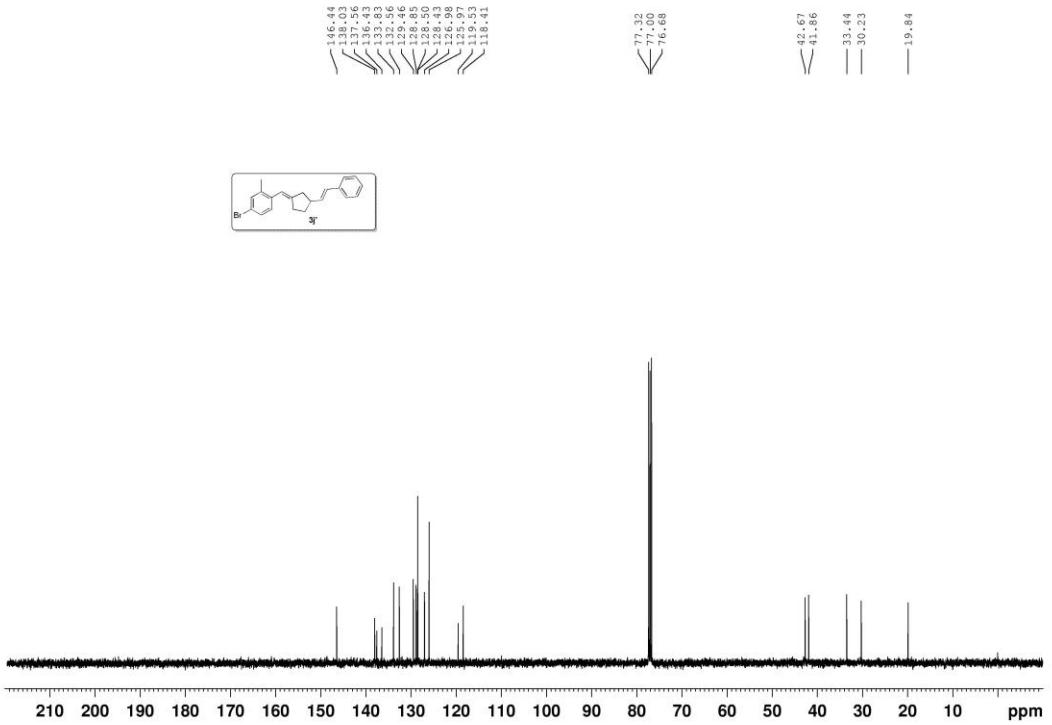
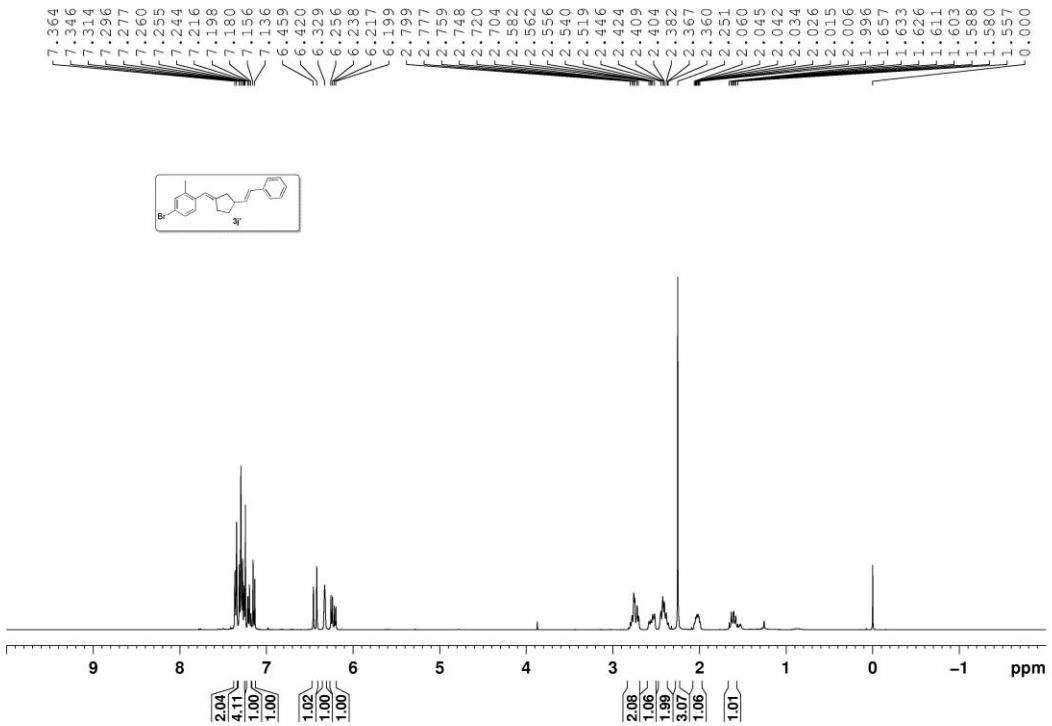


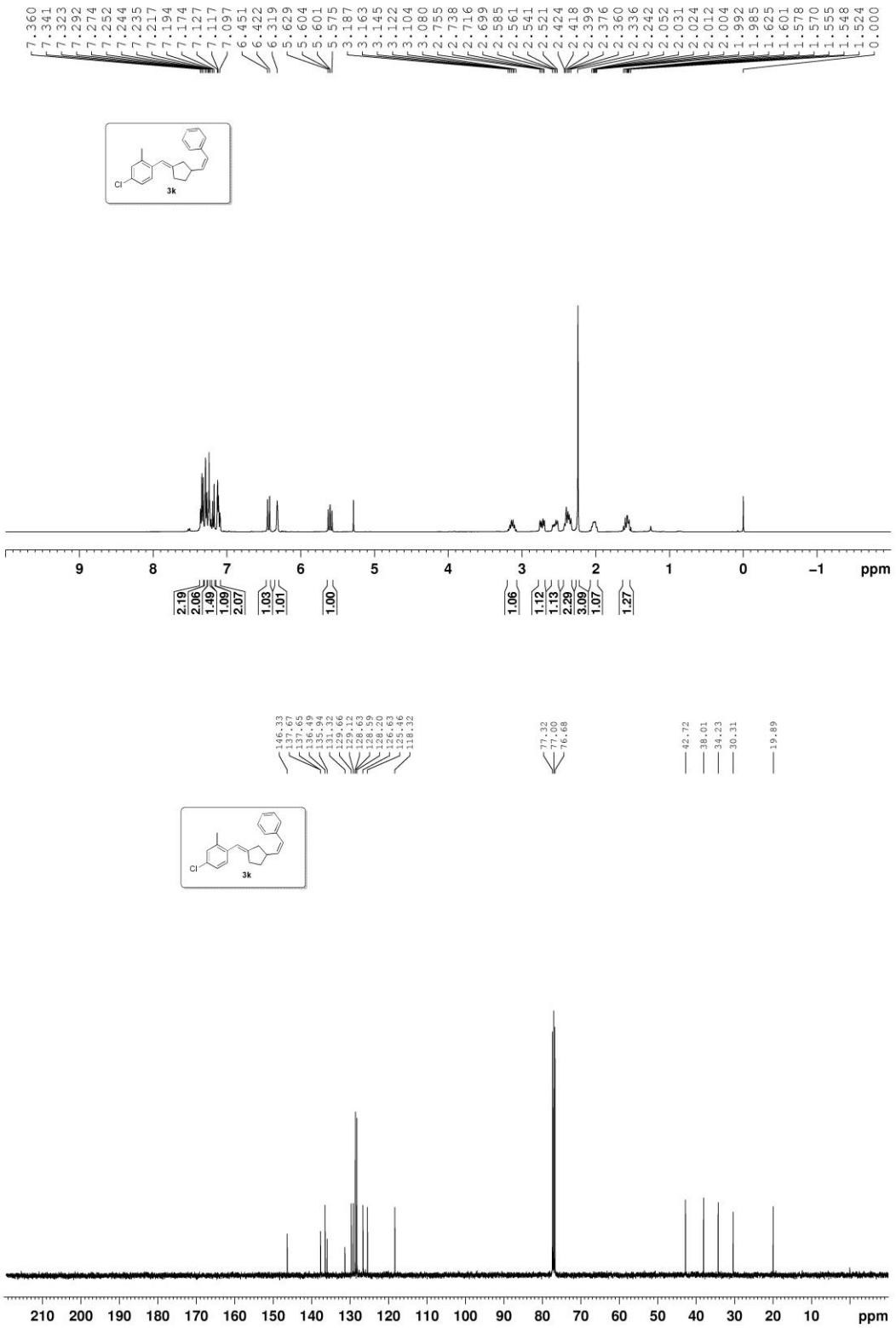


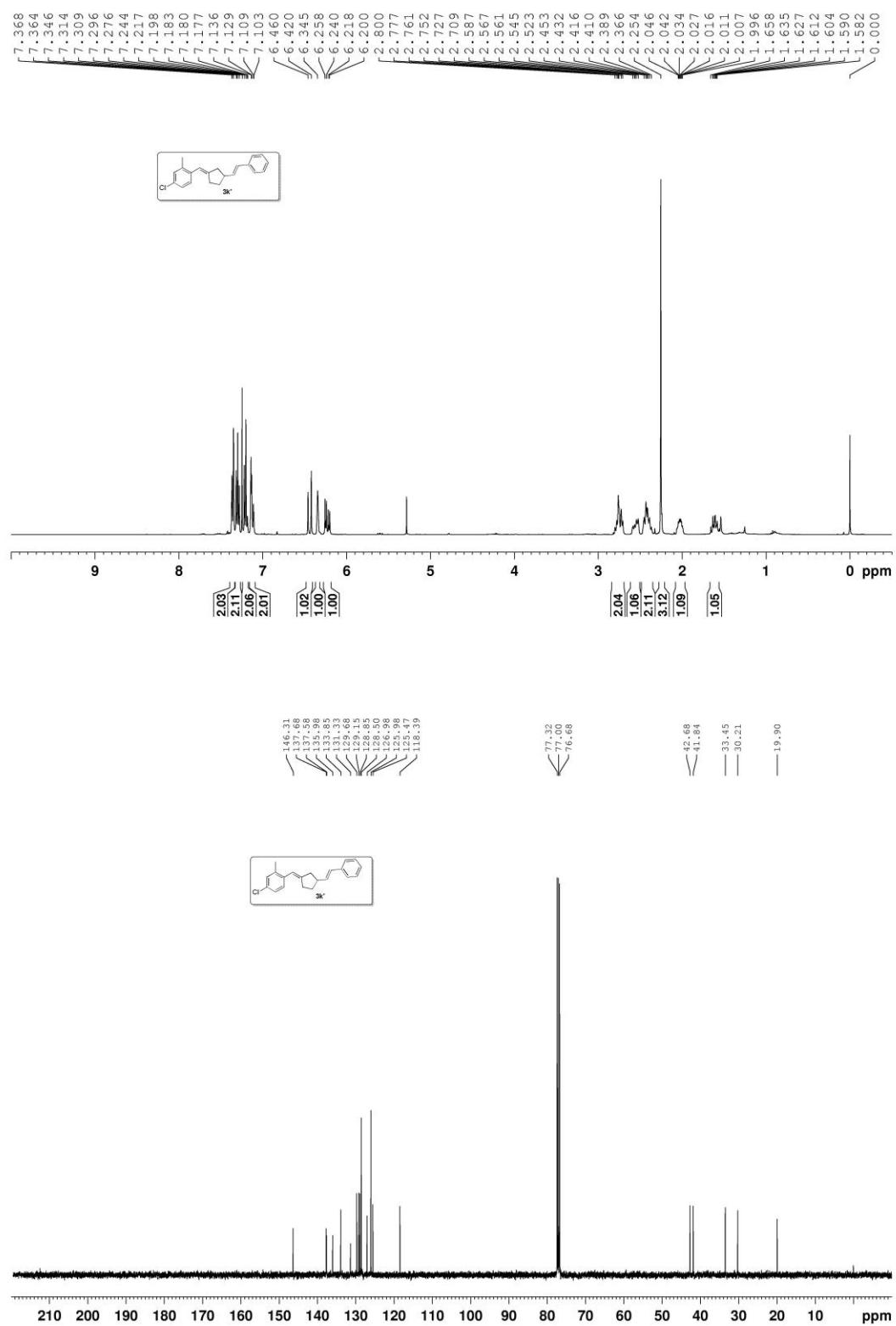


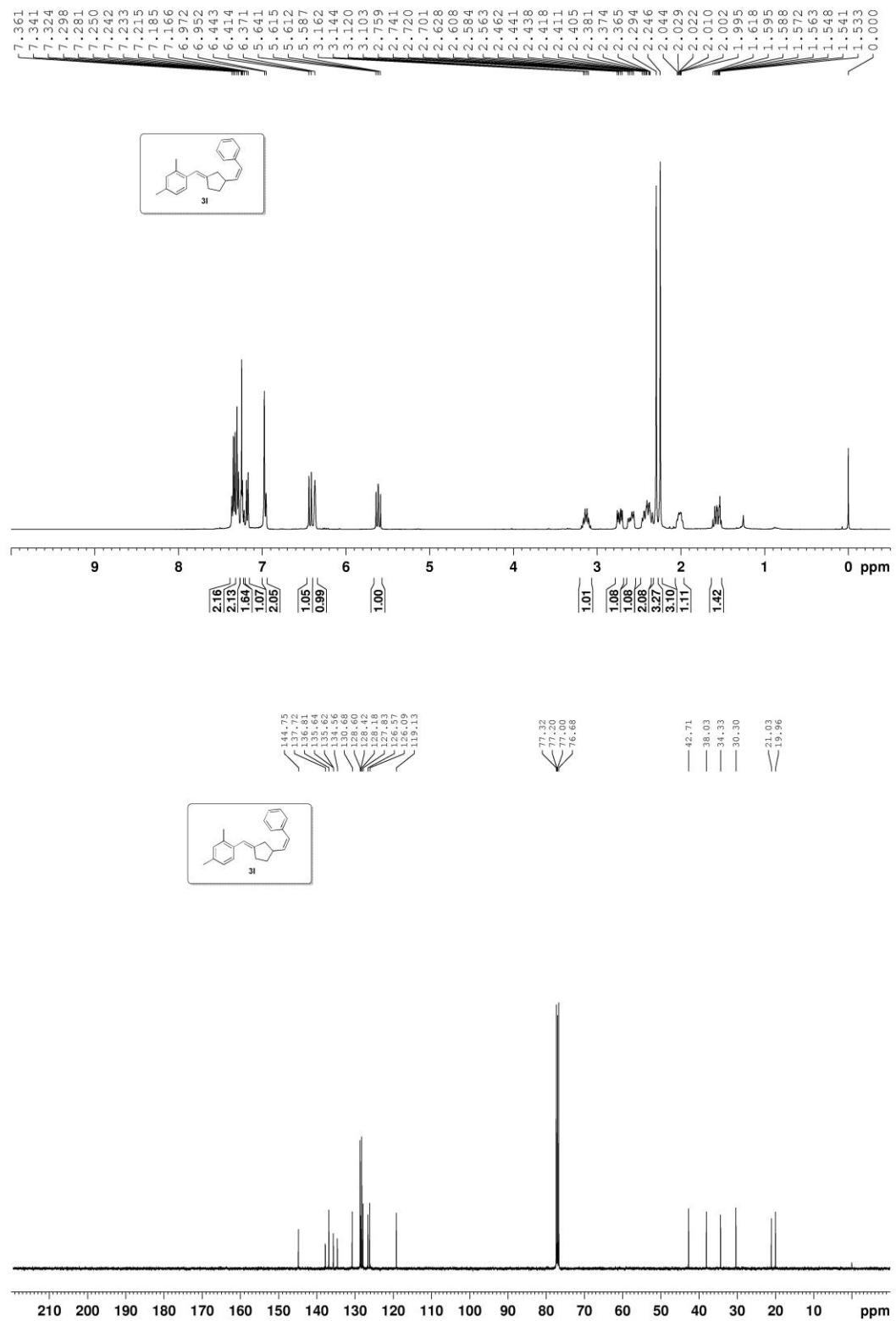


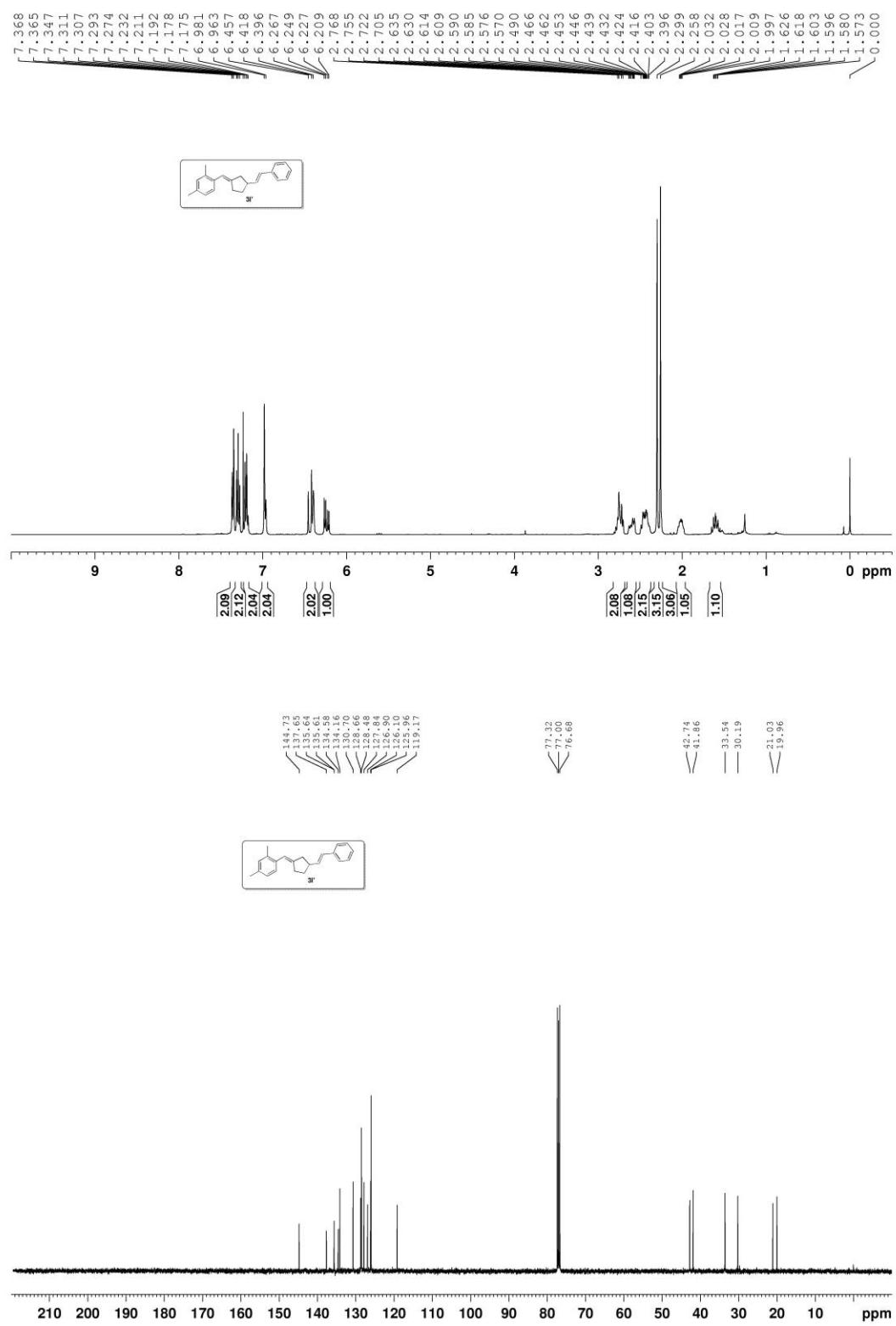


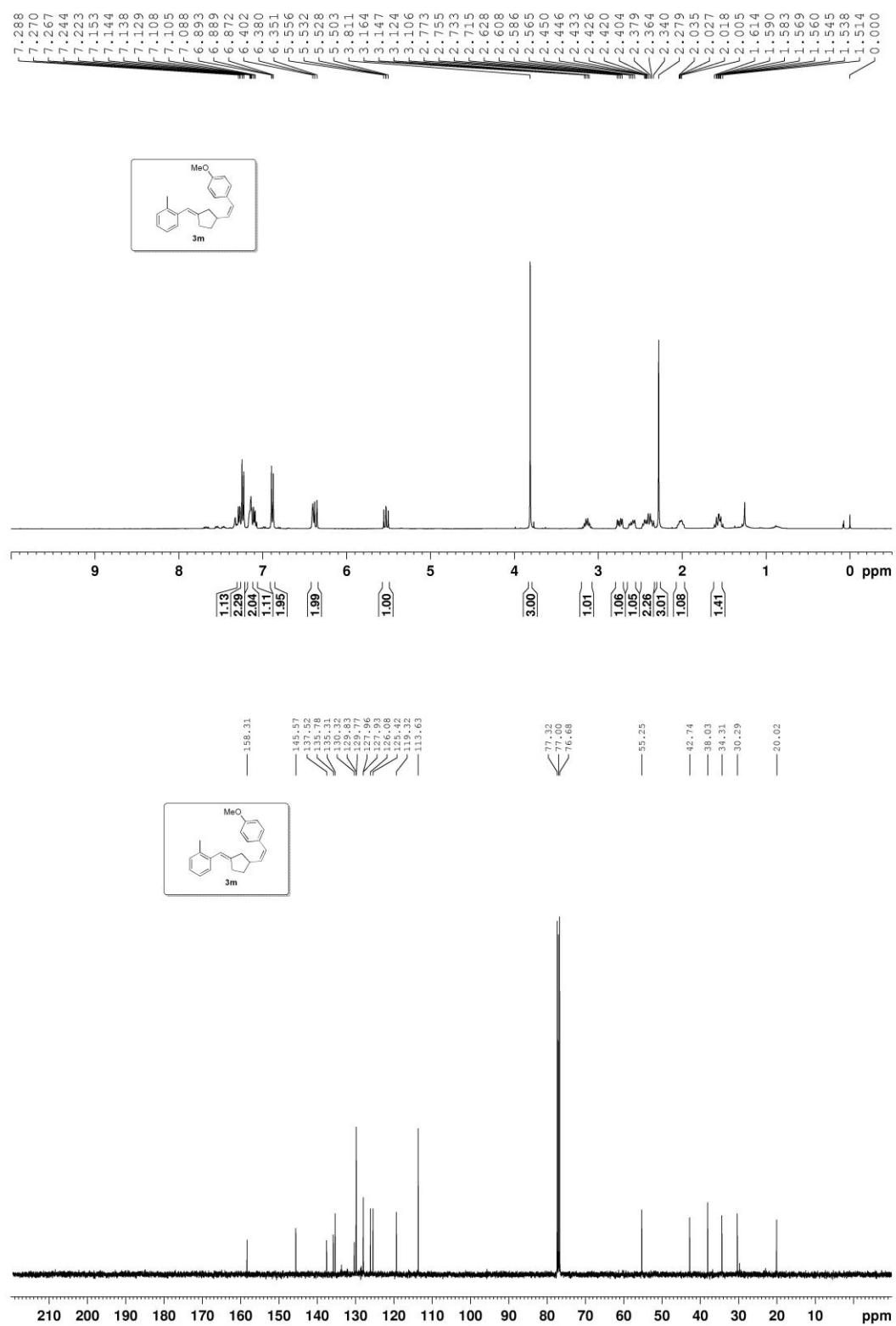


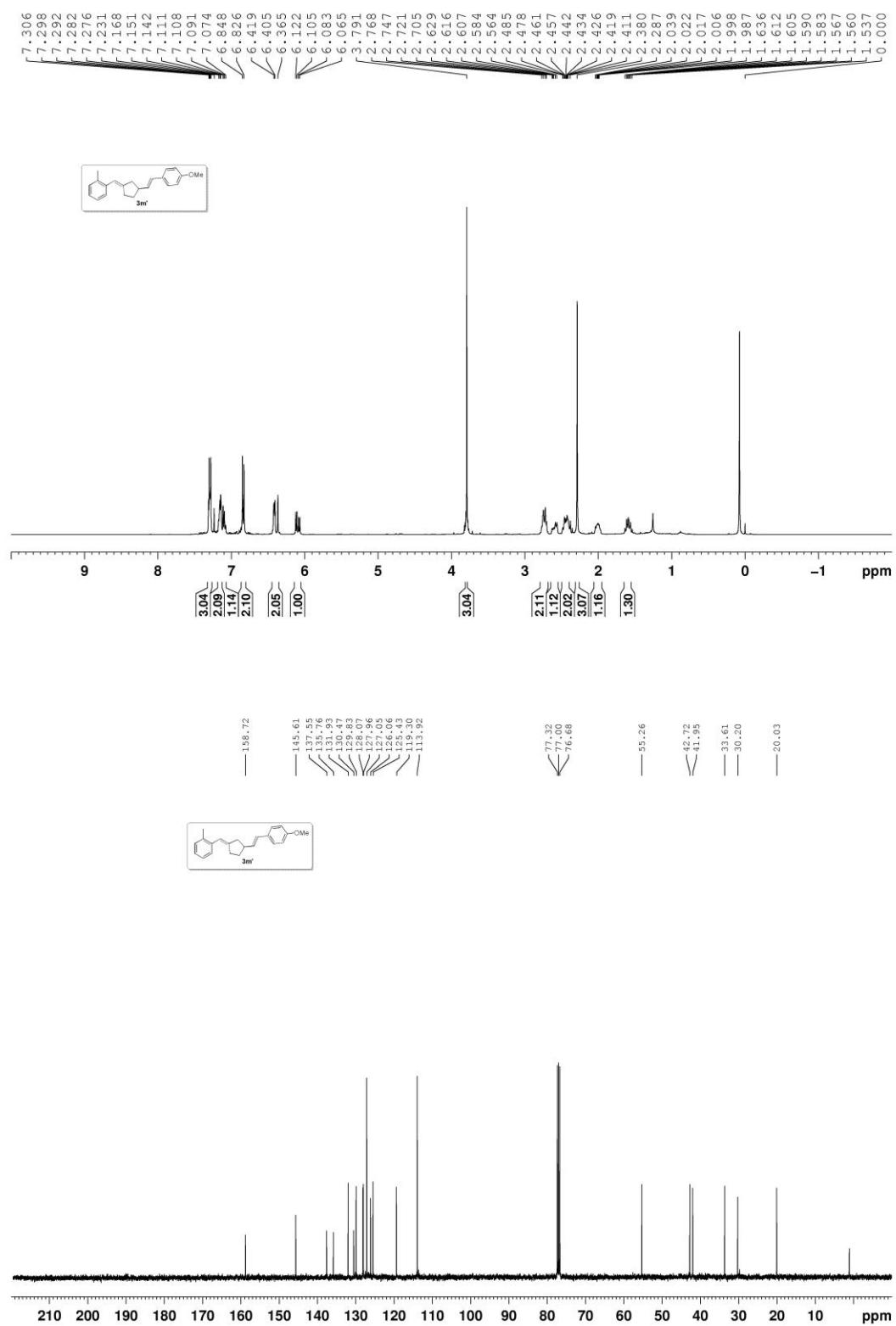


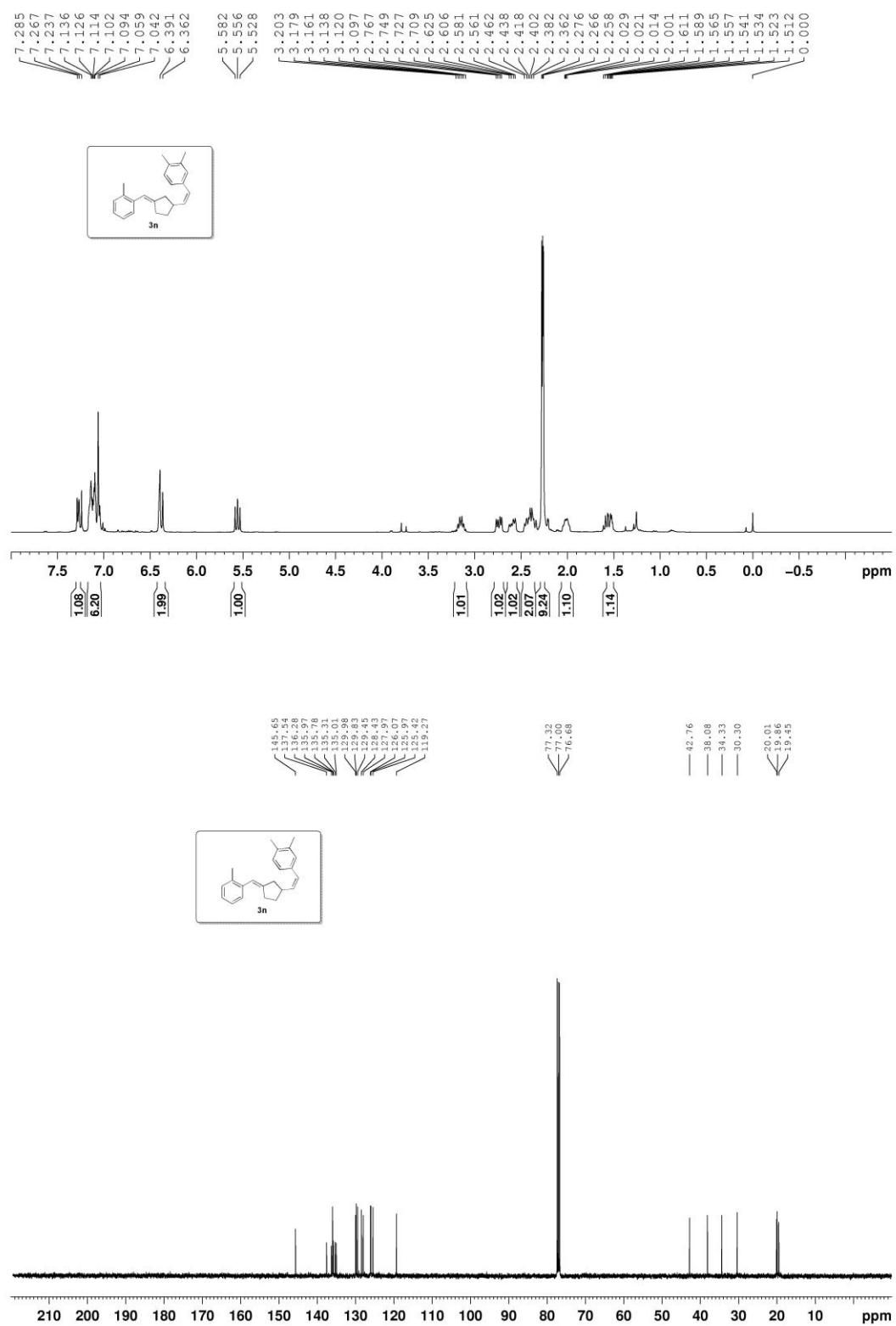


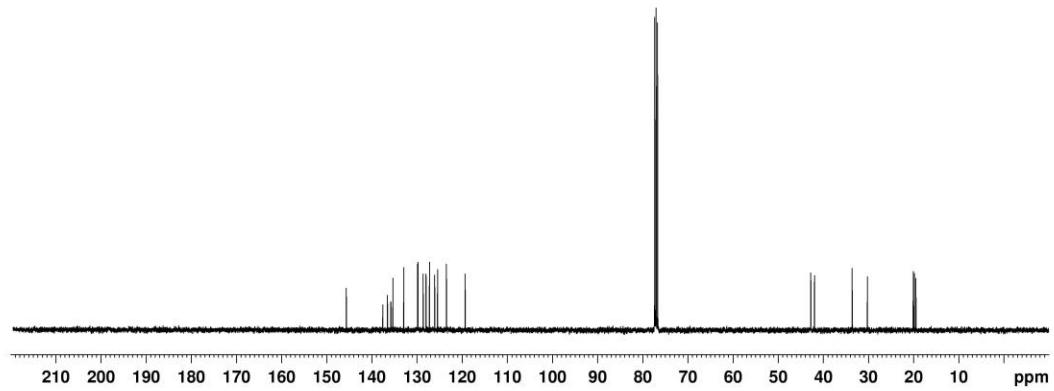
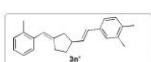
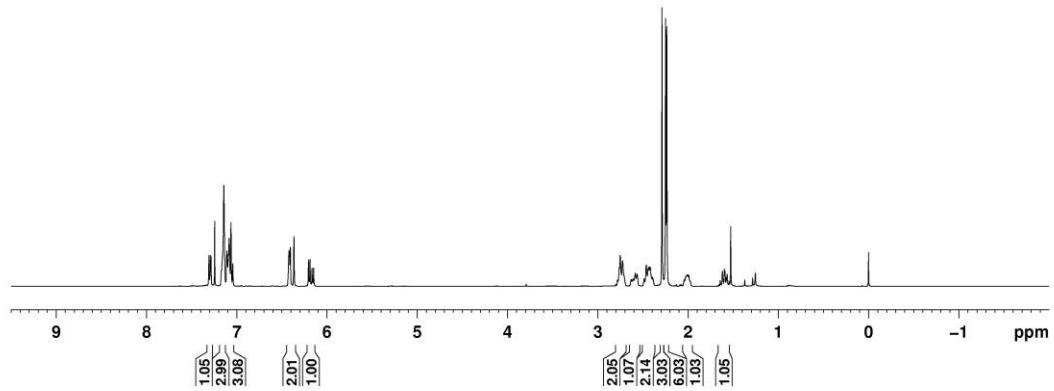
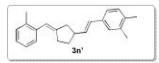
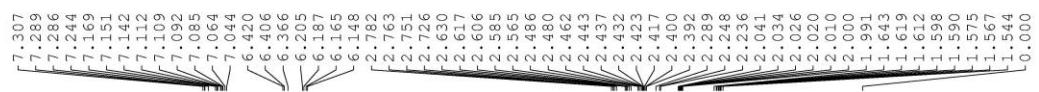


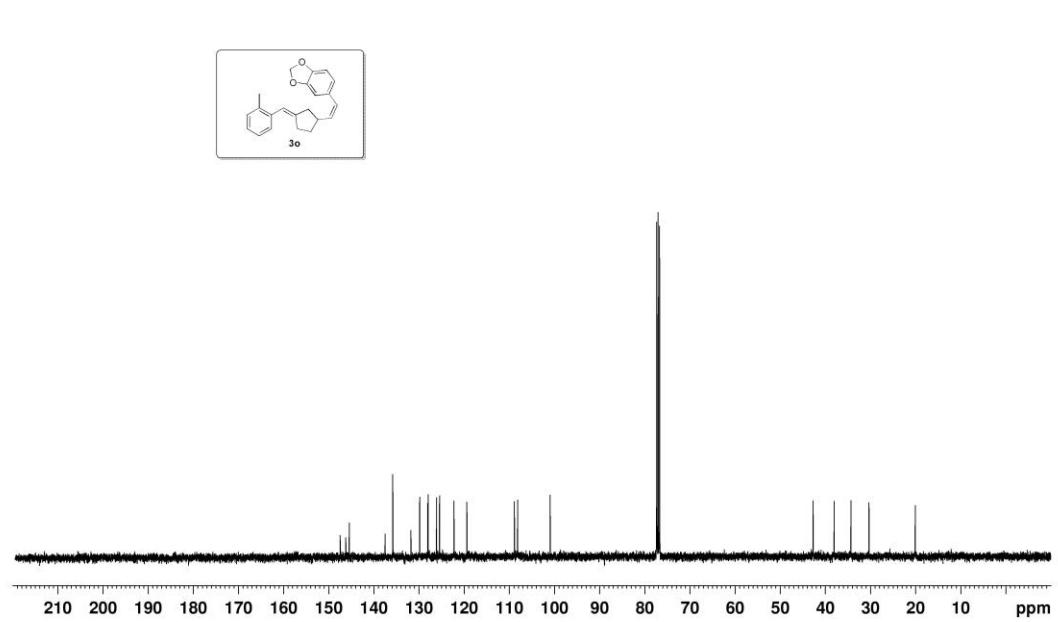
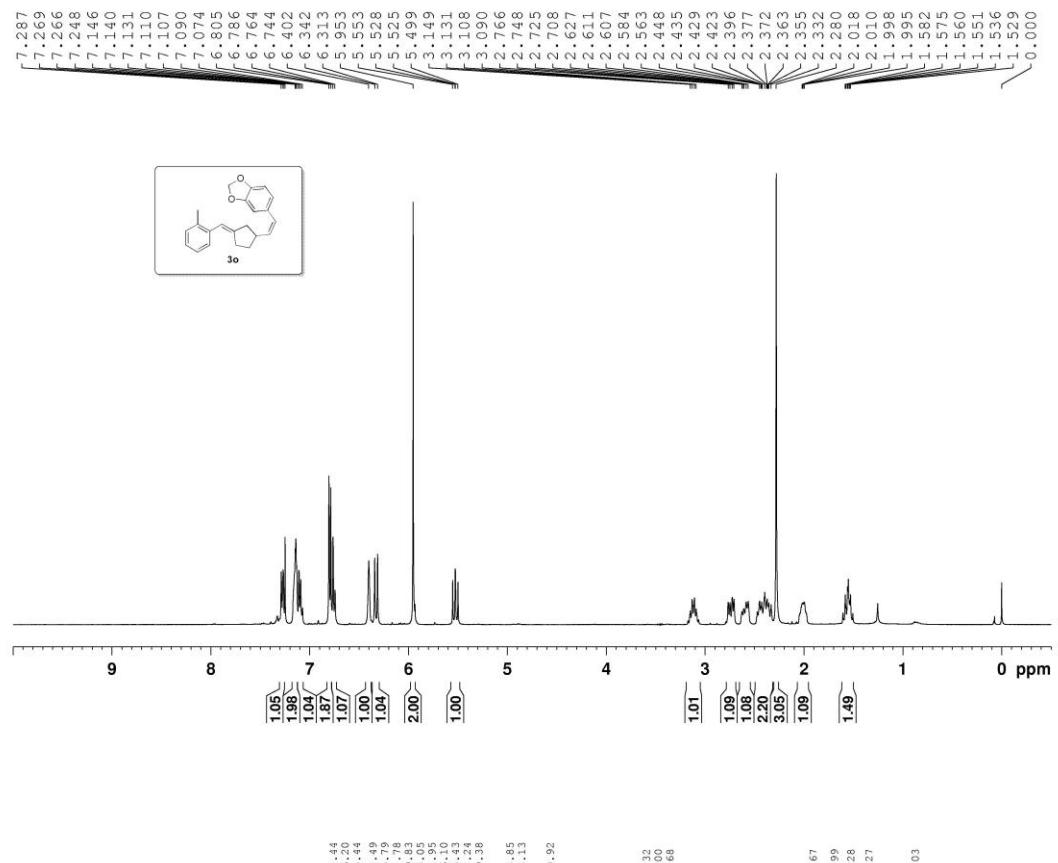


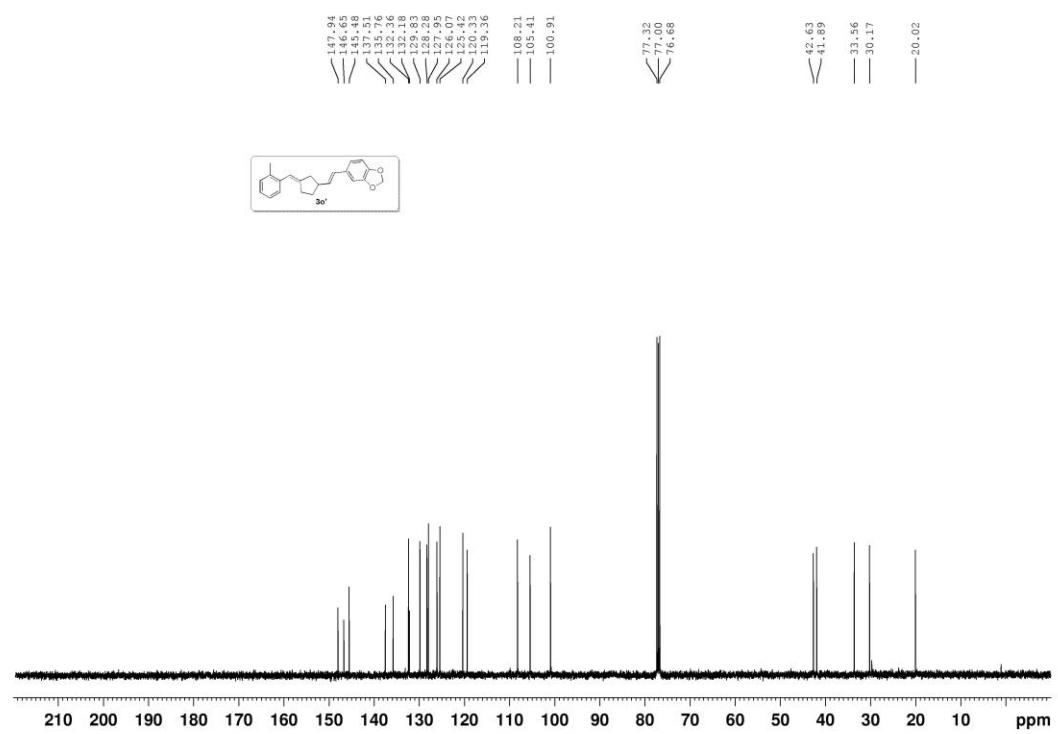
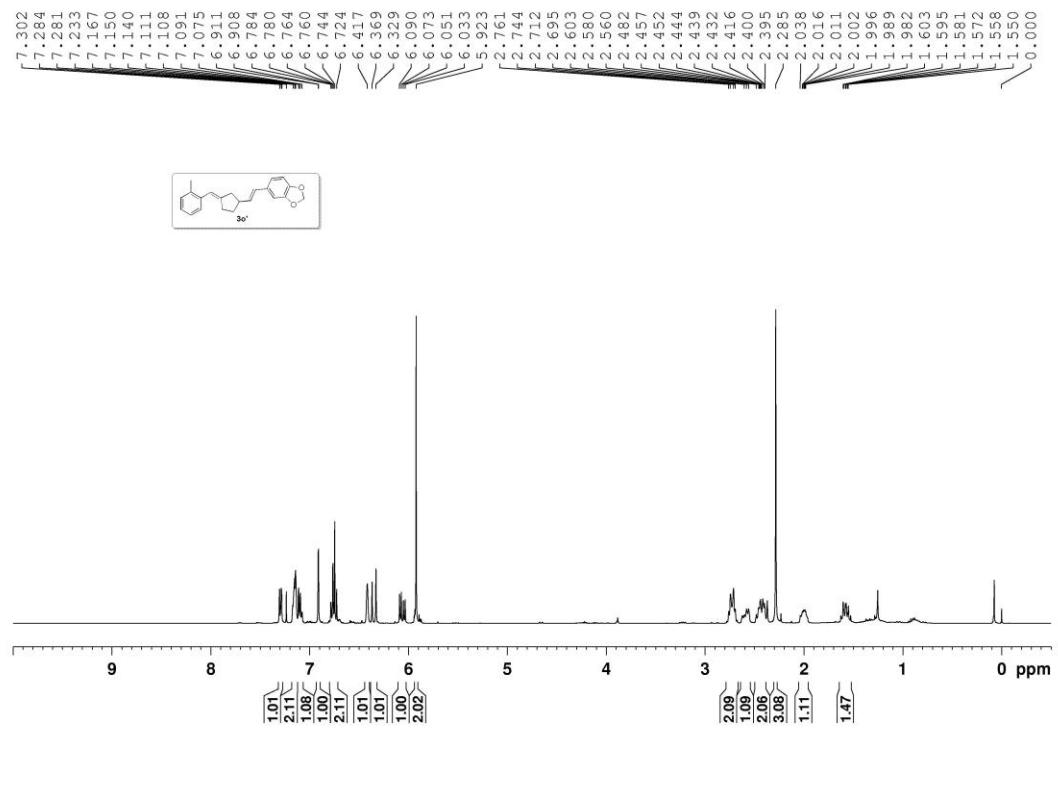


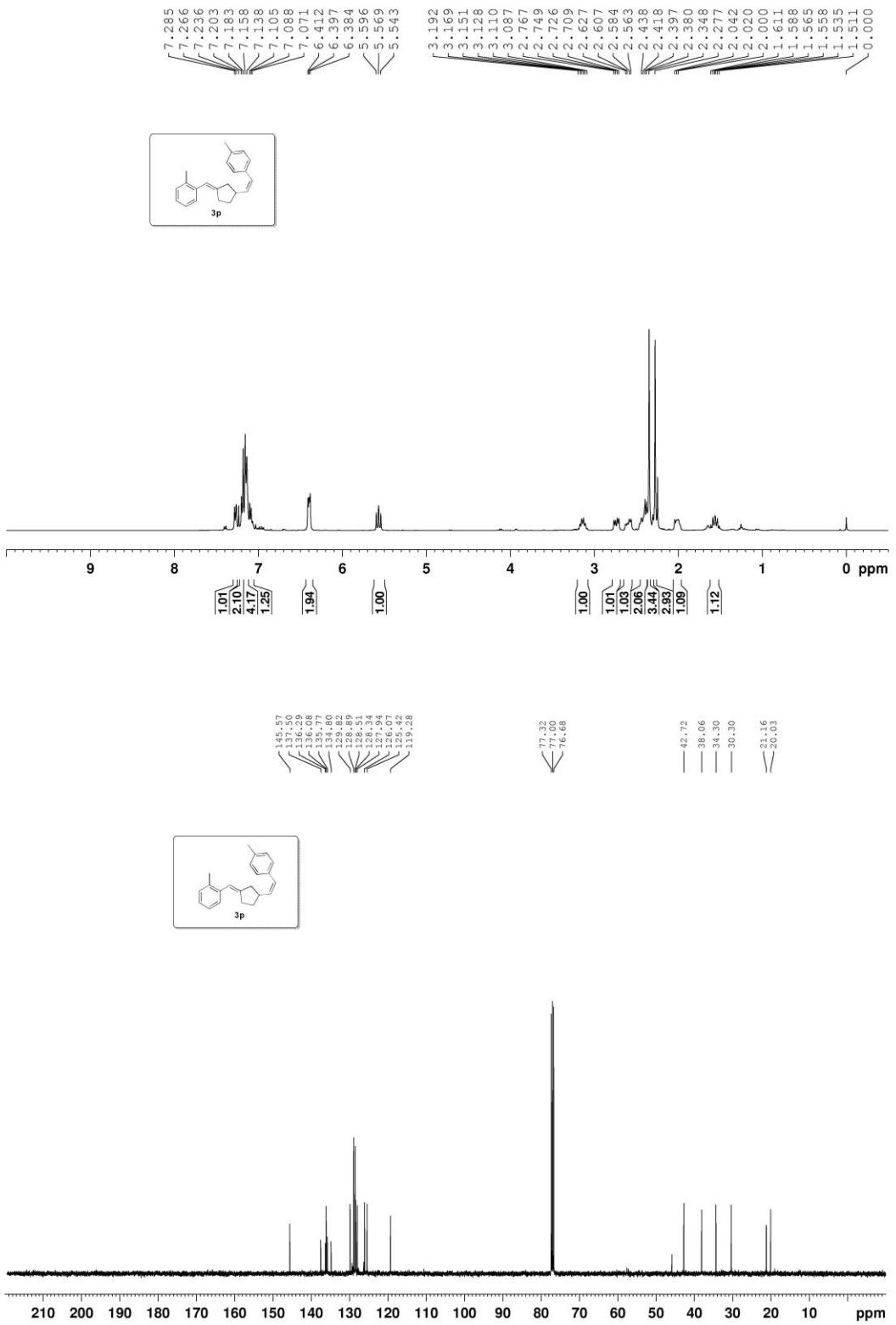


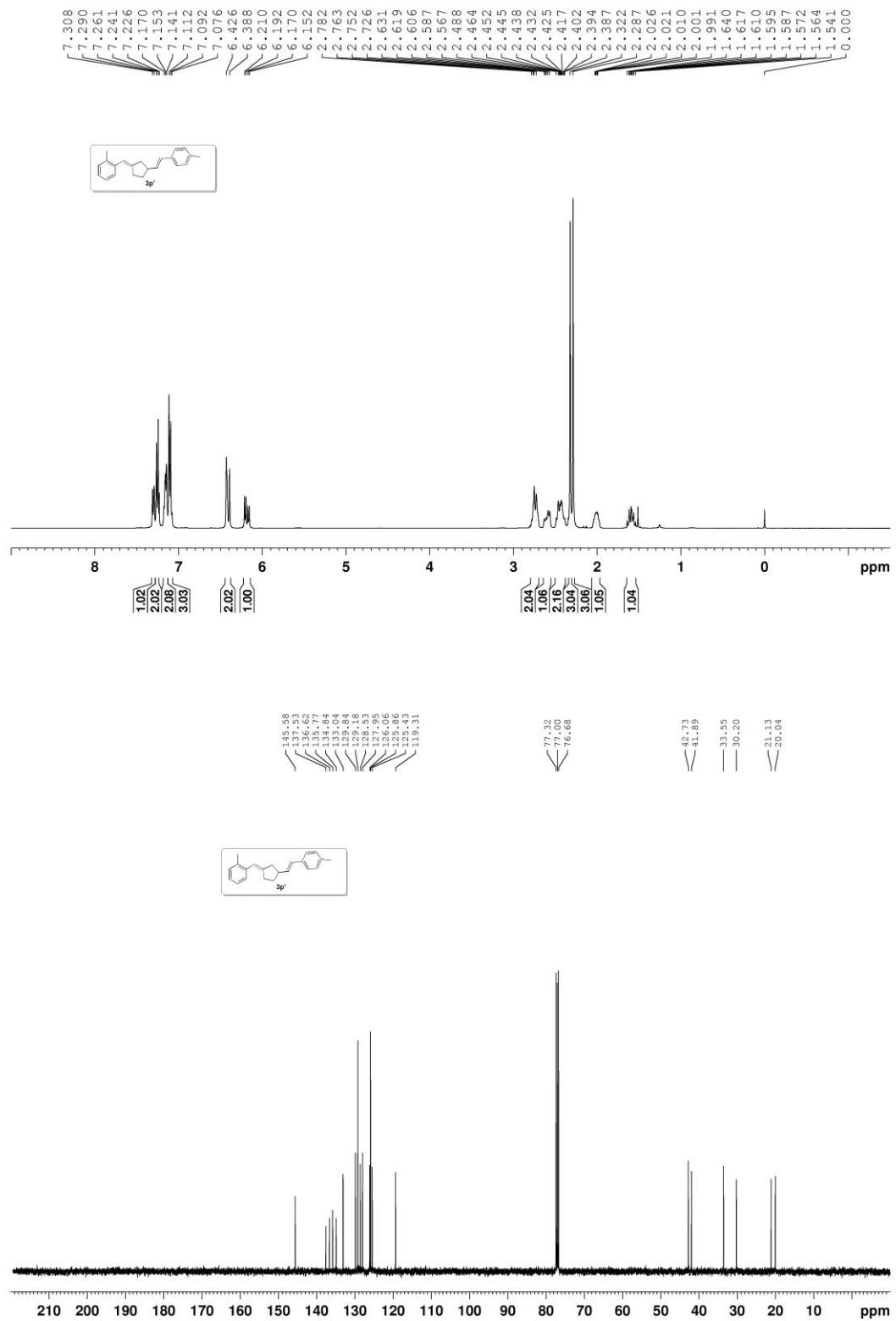


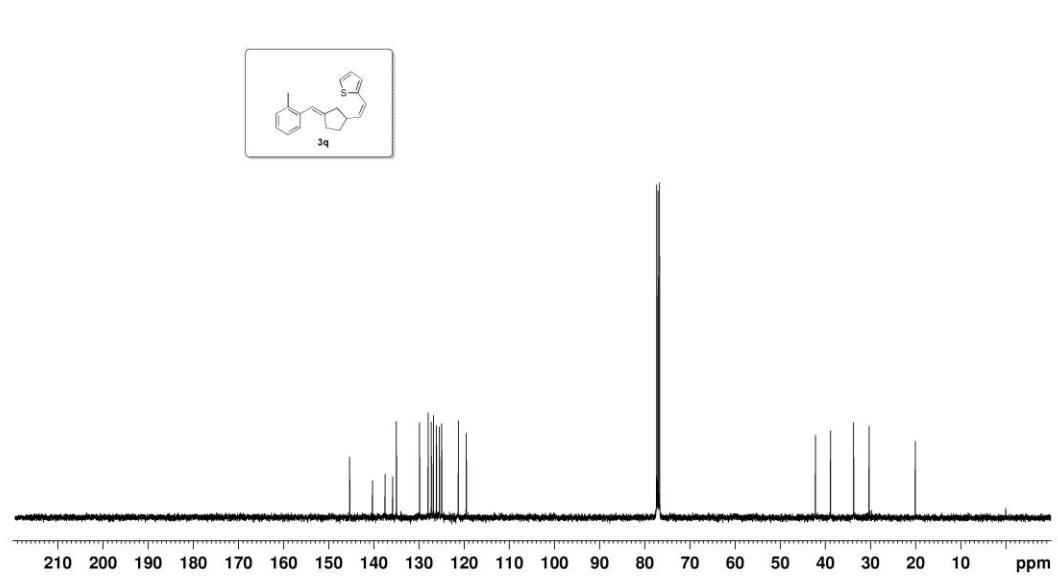
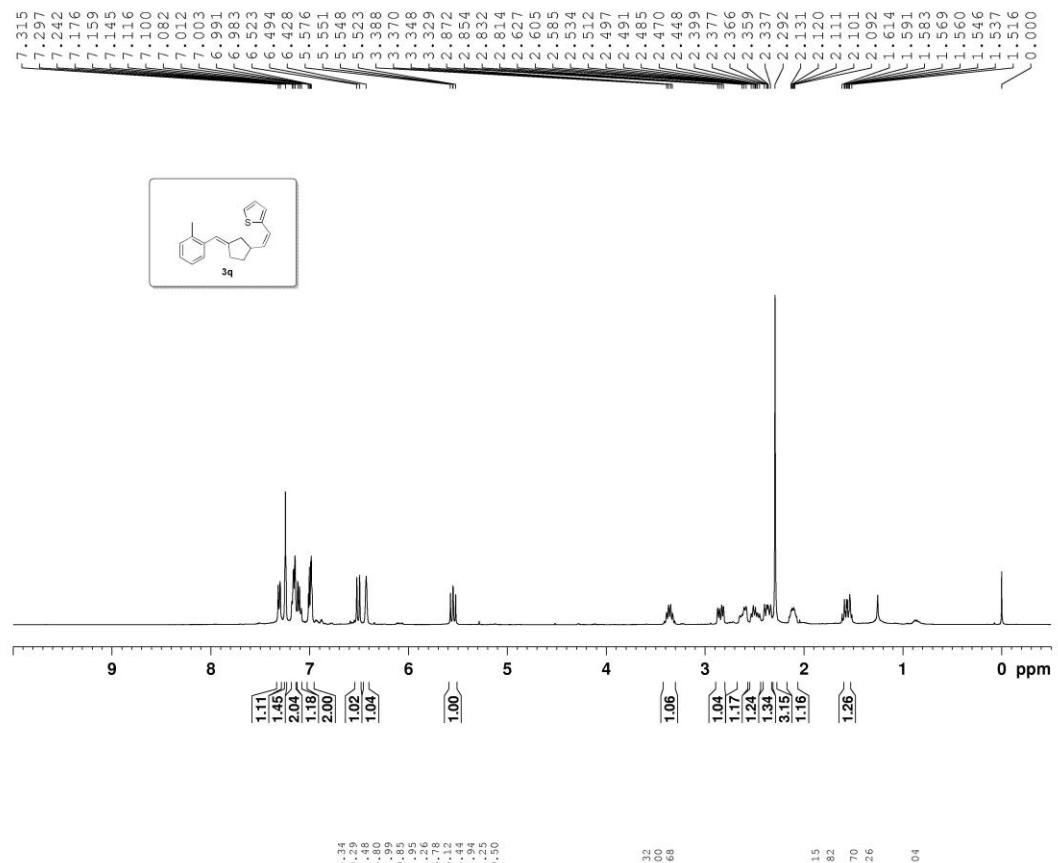


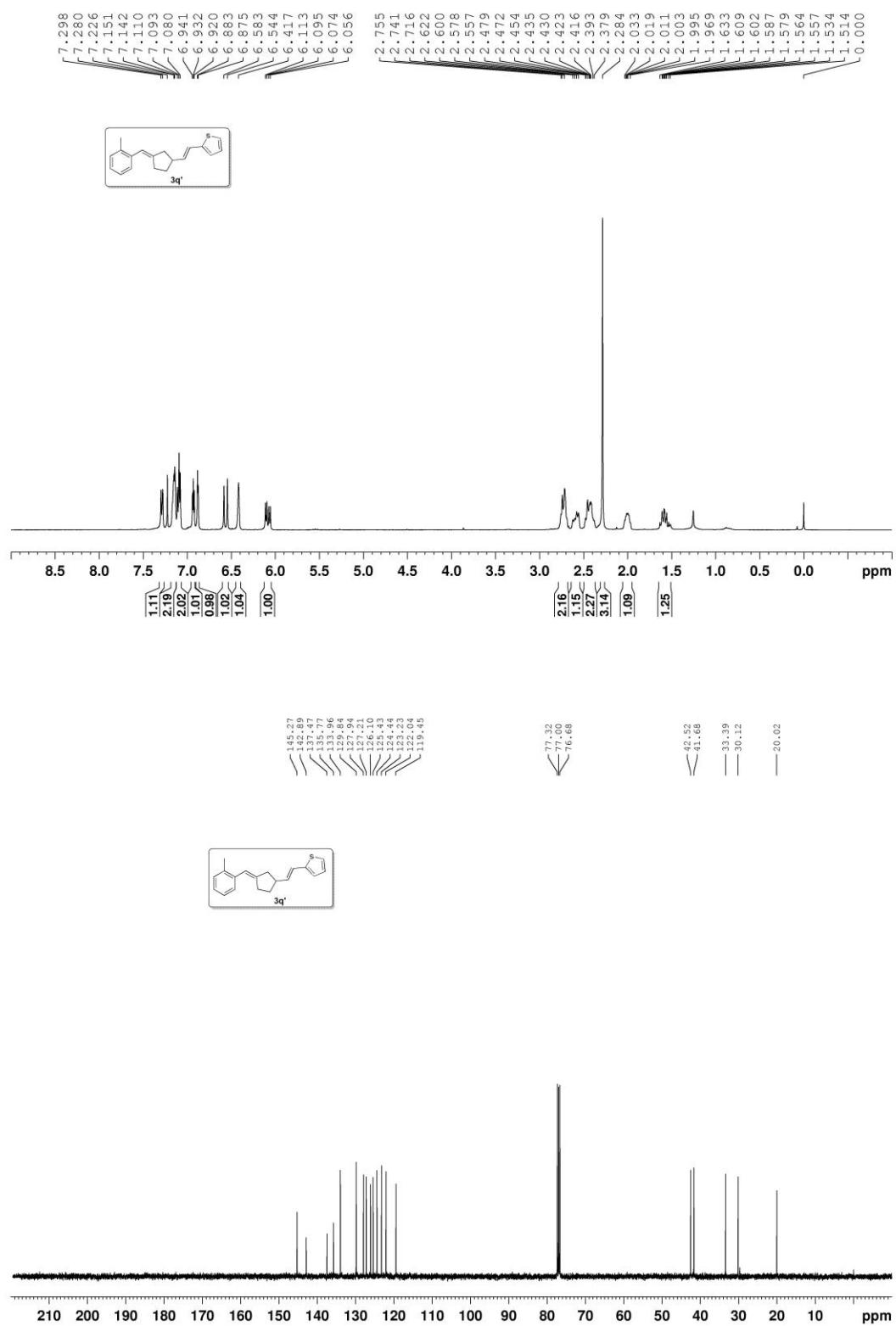


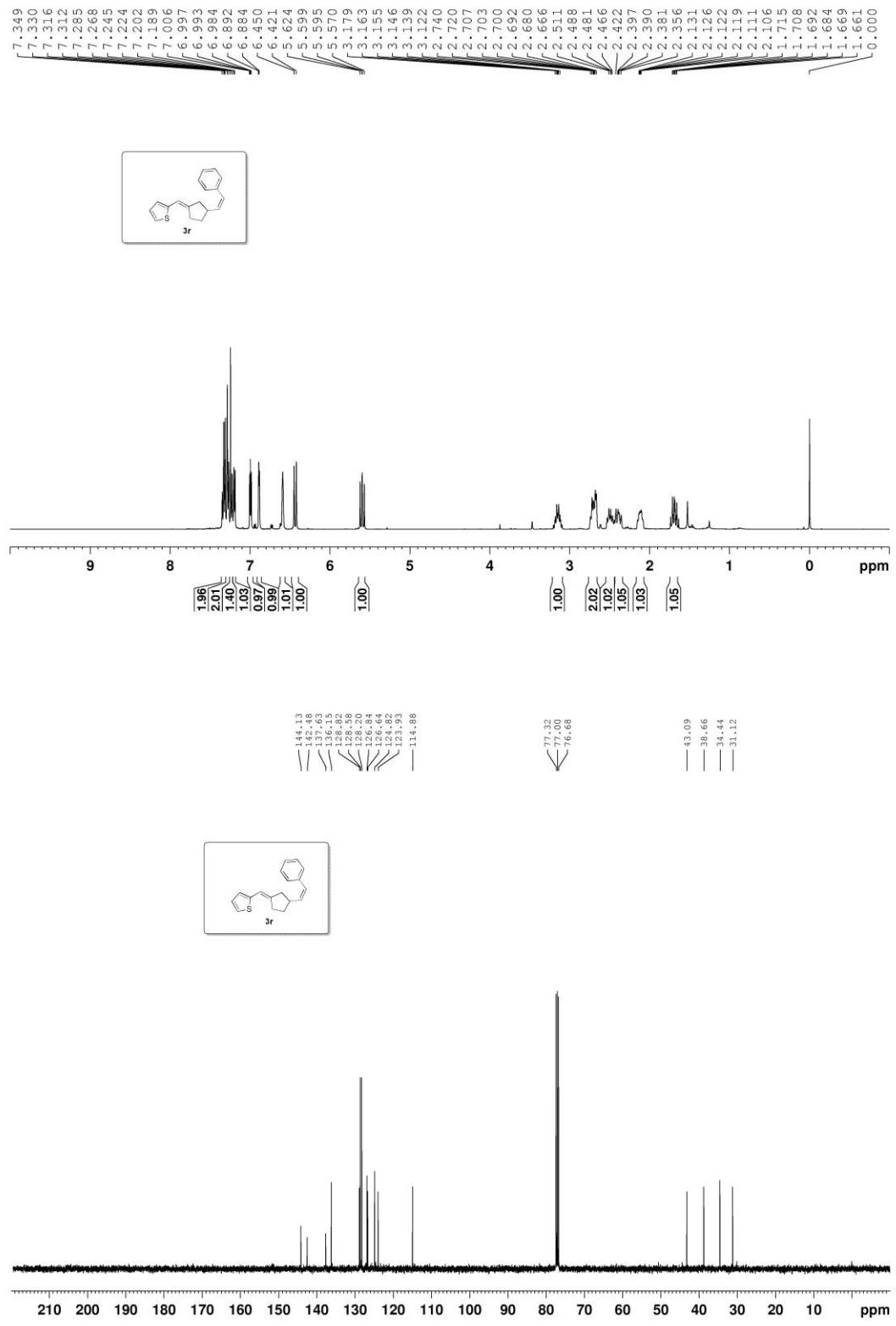


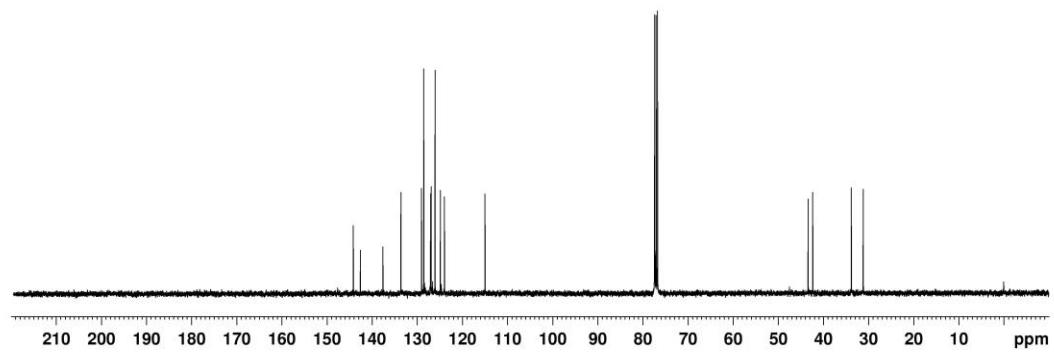
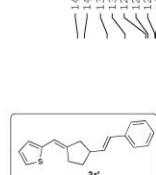
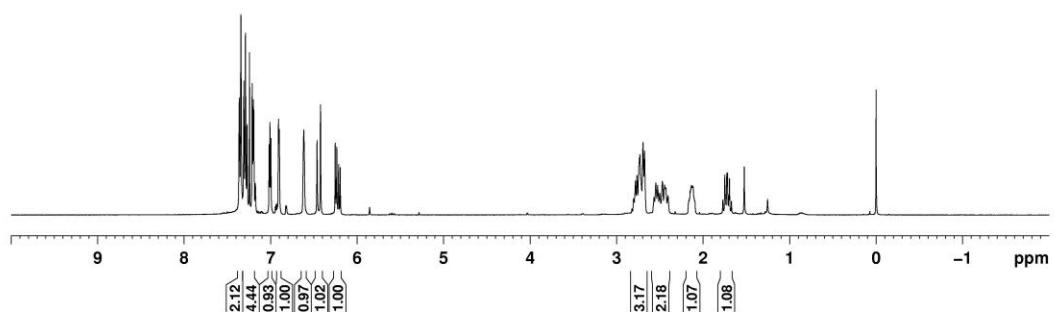
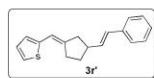
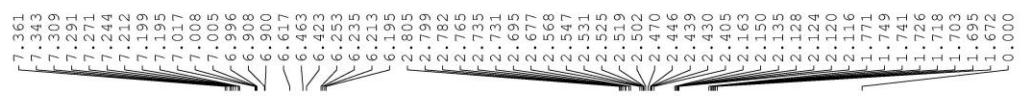


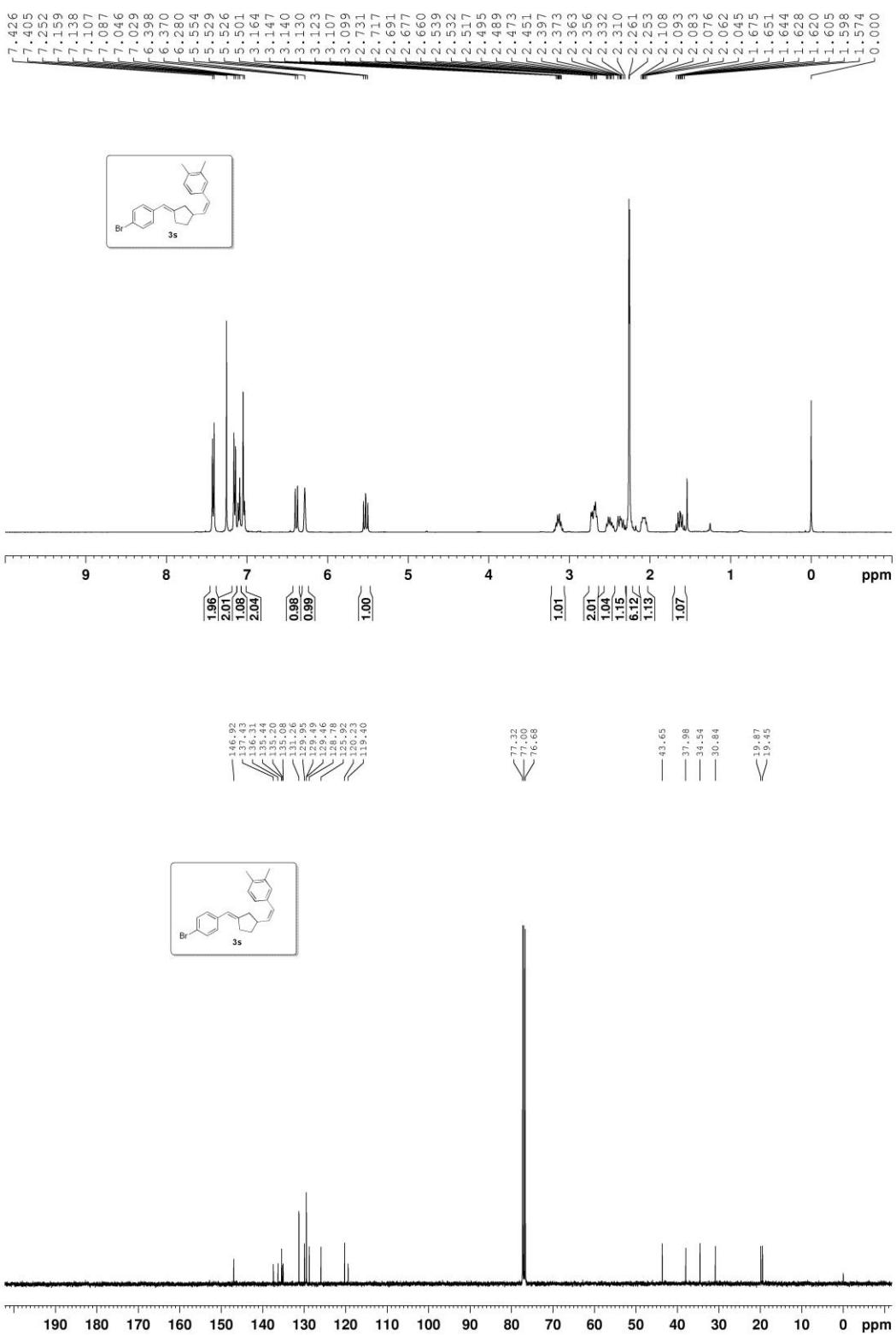


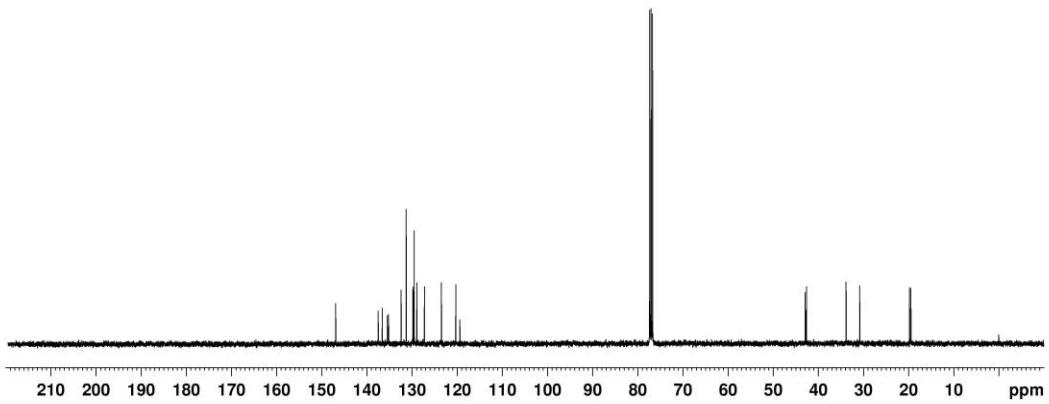
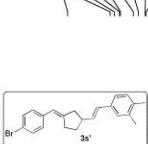
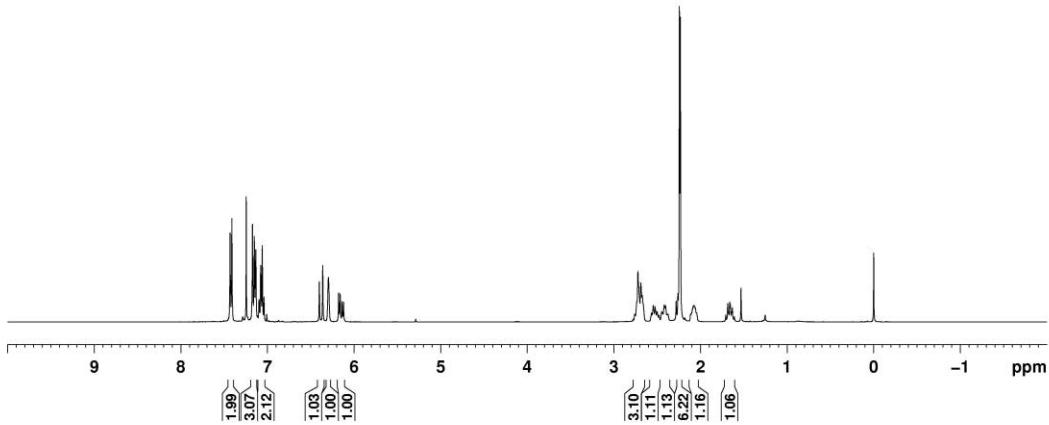
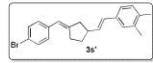
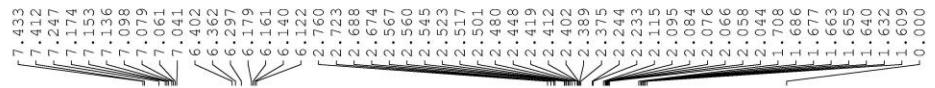


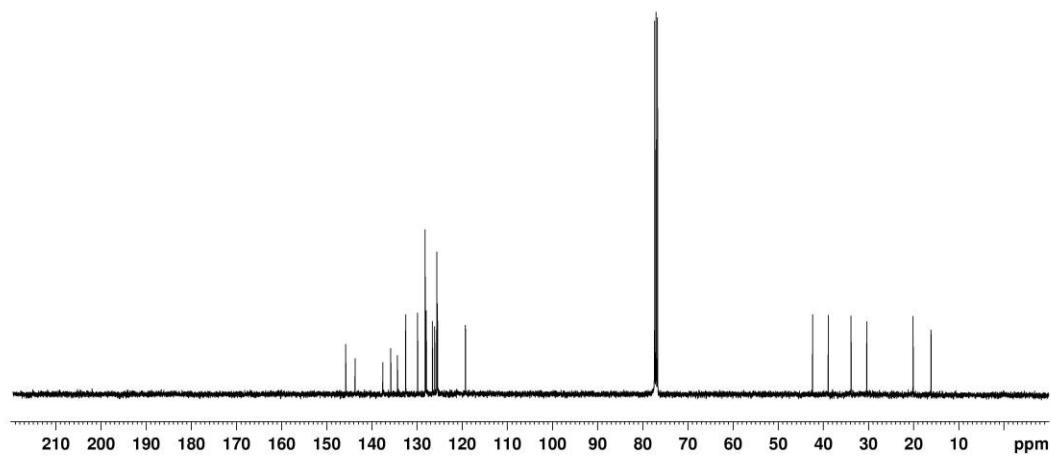
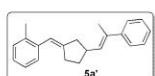
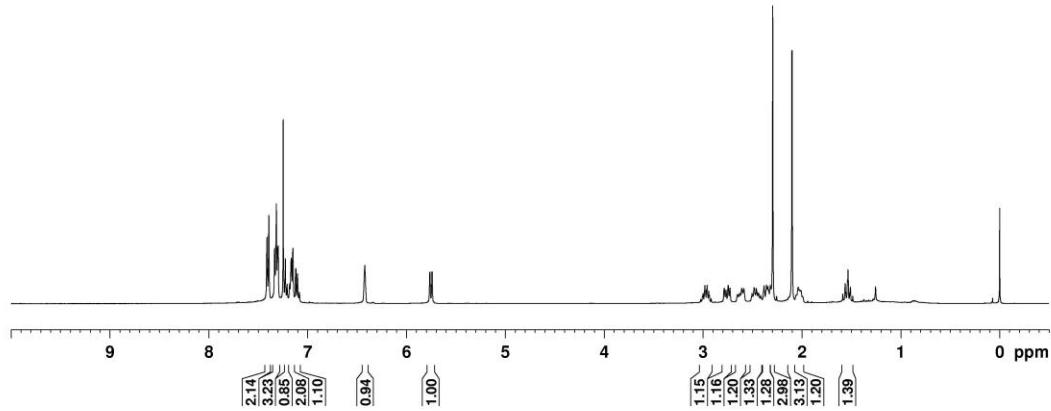
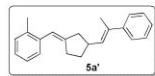
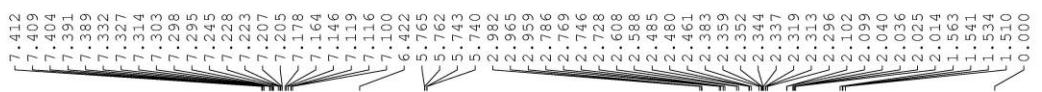


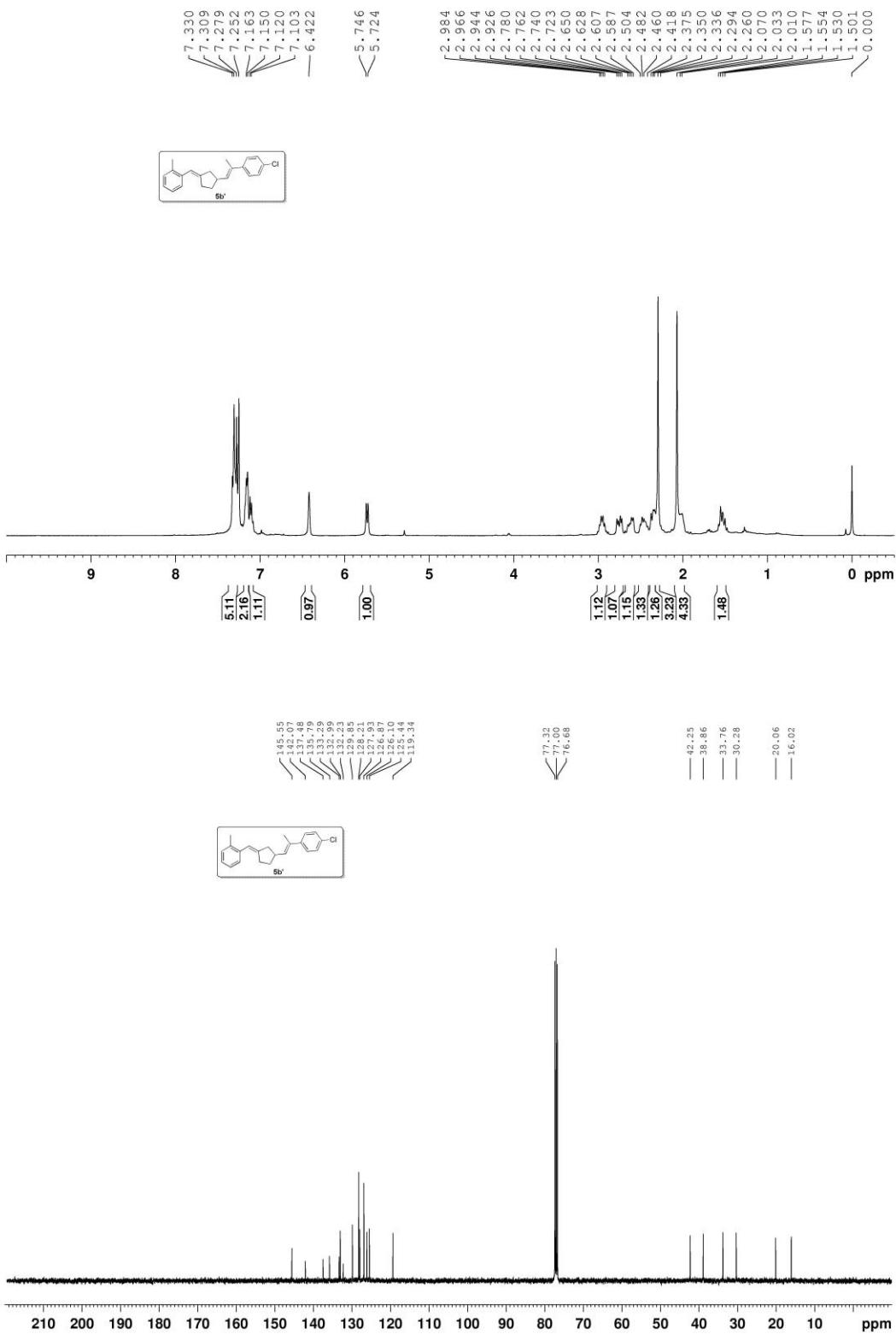


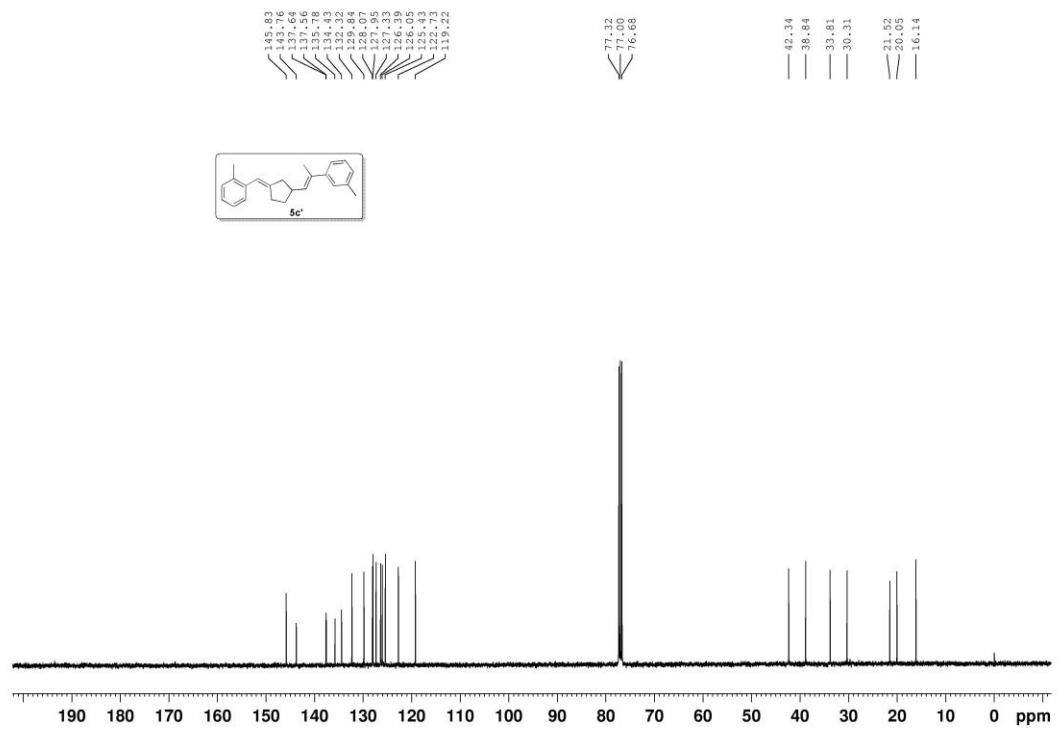
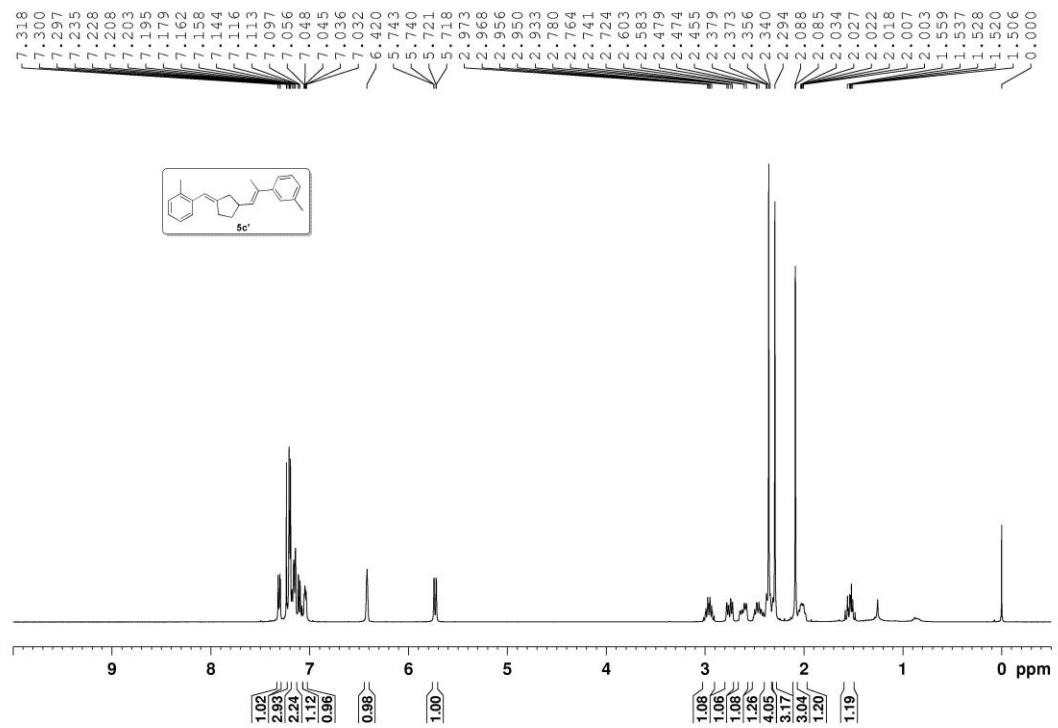


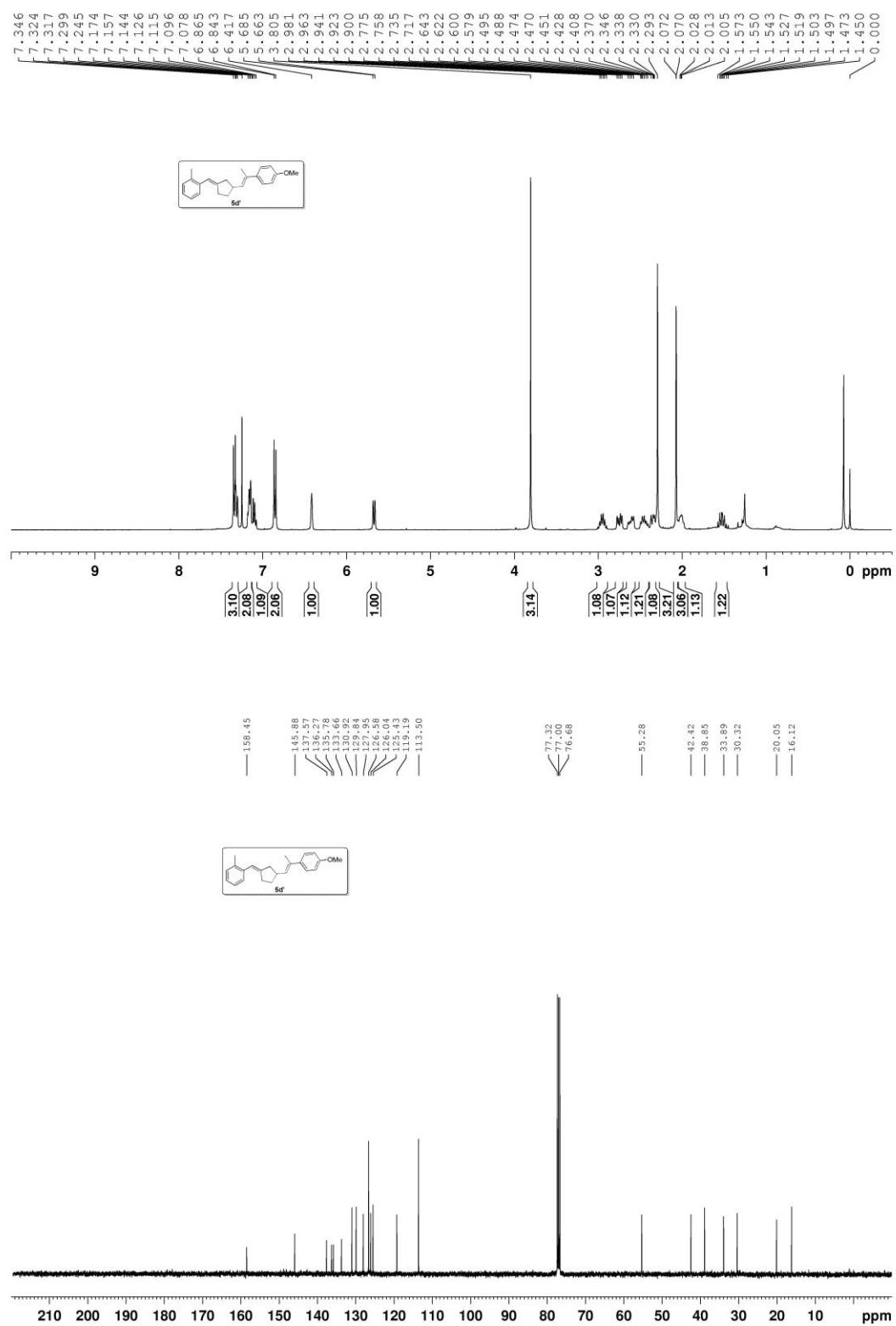


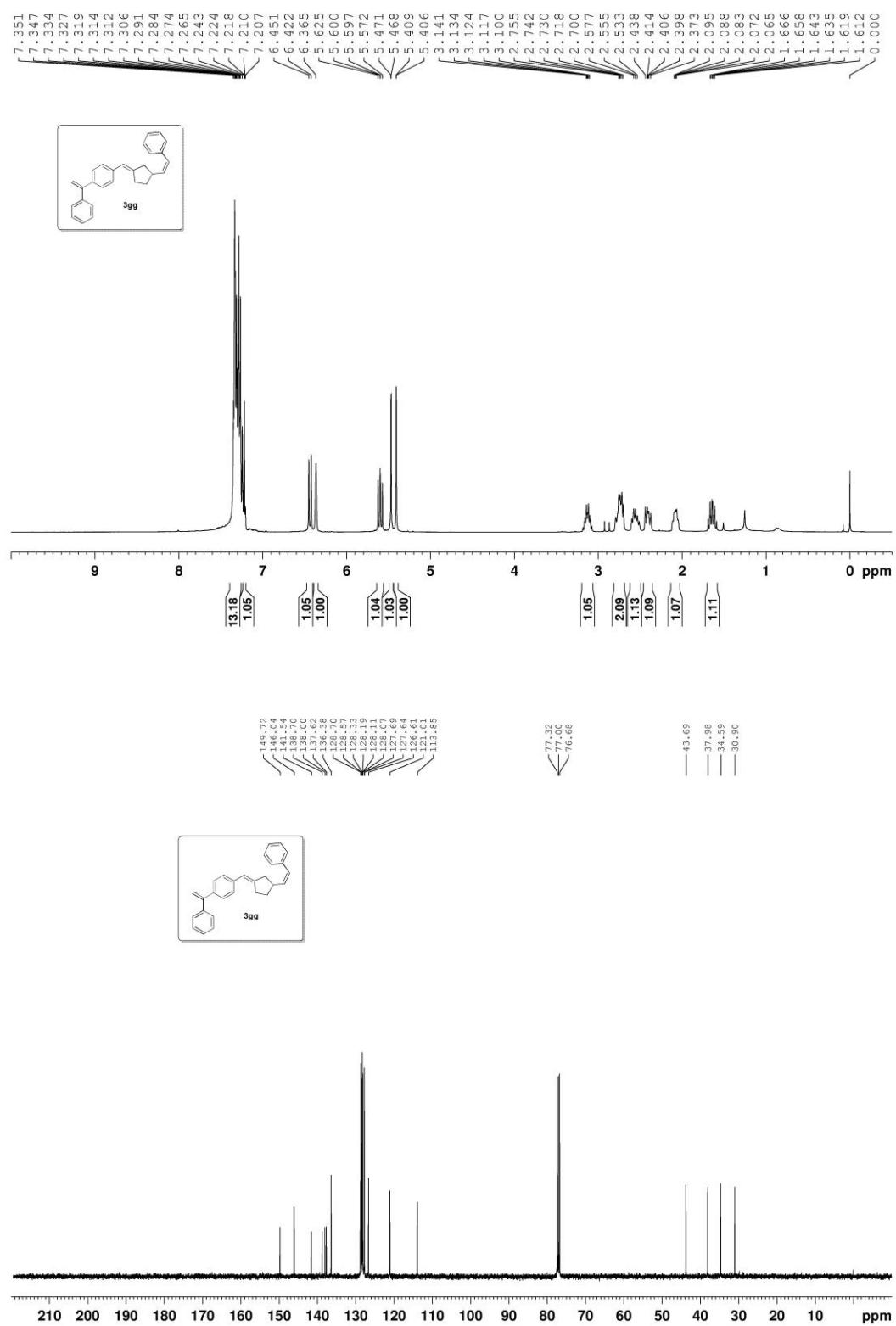


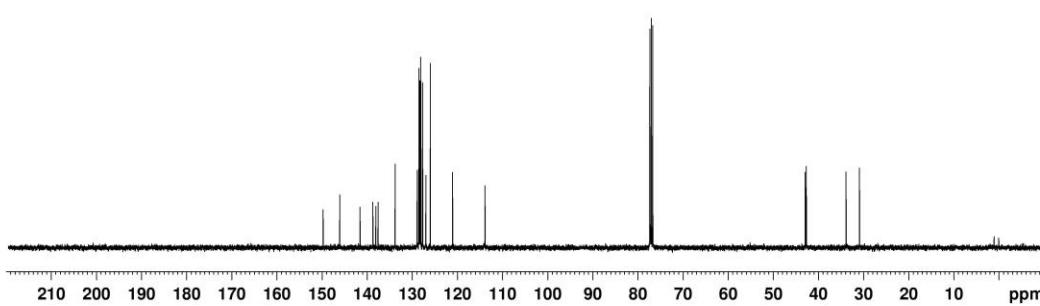
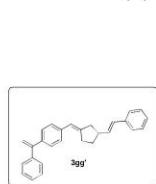
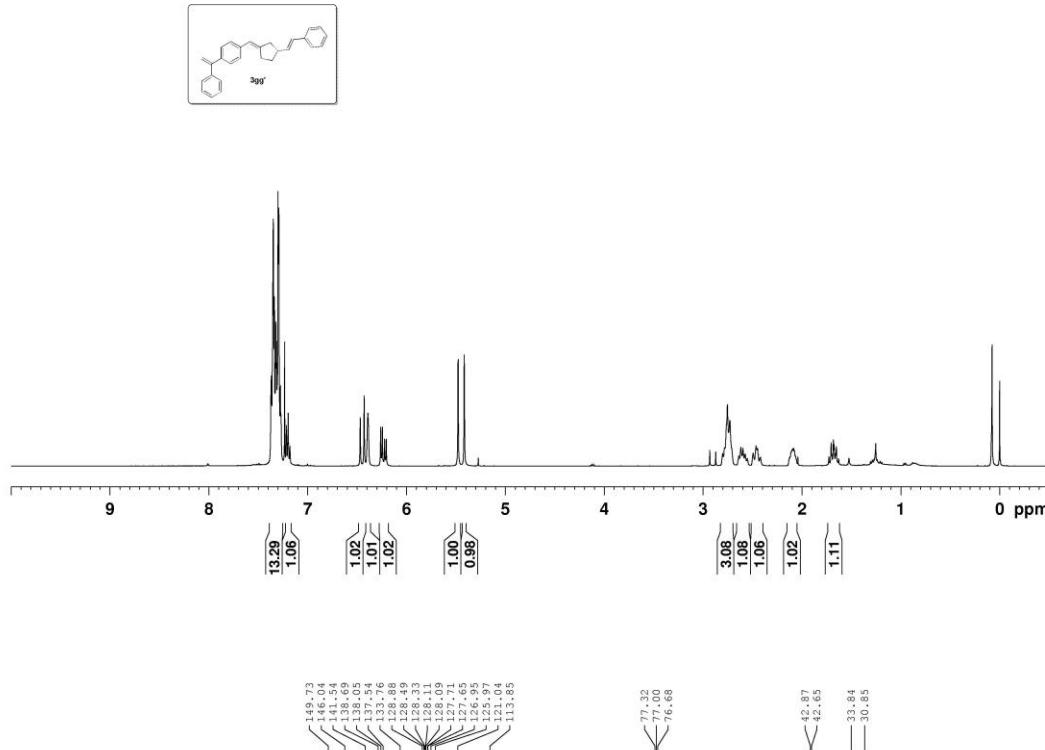
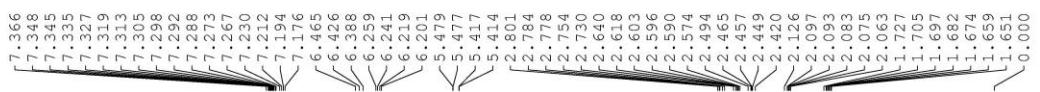












8. The NOE of 5d'

