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Synthesis of 1,3-Diaryl-3-trifluoromethylcyclopropenes by Transition-Metal-Free Reaction of 2,2,2-Trifluoroacetophenone Tosylhydrazones with Alkynes: The Effect of the Trifluoromethyl Group

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1. Experimental

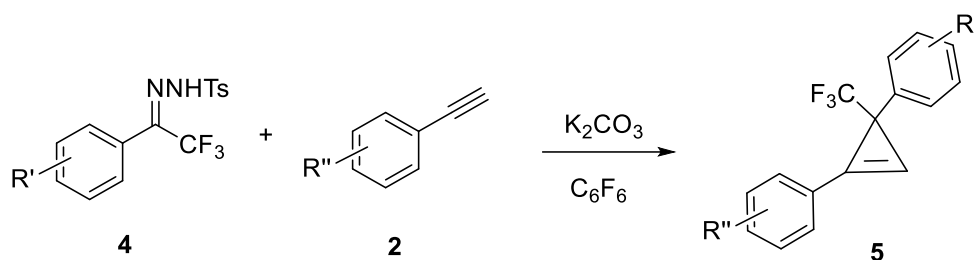
1.1 General considerations:

Reactions performed by conventional heating were carried out in a RR98030 12 place Carousel Reaction Station™ from Radleys Discovery Technologies, equipped with gas tight threaded caps with a valve, cooling reflux head system, and digital temperature controller. K₂CO₃ was purchased from Fluka, stored in a flask purged with nitrogen and weighted in the air. Hexafluorobenzene (99 %) is commercially available from Alfa Aesar co. All the alkynes are commercially available from Aldrich Chemical co. *N*-tosylhydrazones were prepared from the corresponding carbonyl compounds and *p*-toluenesulfonyl hydrazide through previously described methodologies¹.

NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ at 600, 400 or 300 MHz for ¹H, 151, 101 or 75 MHz for ¹³C and 282 MHz for ¹⁹F with tetramethylsilane as internal standard for ¹H and the residual solvent signals as standard for ¹³C. The data is being reported as s = singlet, bs = broad singlet, d = doublet, dd = double doublet, t = triplet, dt = double triplet, td = triple doublet, q = quatrimplet, qt = quintuplet and m = multiplet or unresolved, chemical shifts in ppm and coupling constant(s) in Hz. HRMS were measured in EI mode, and the mass analyser of the HRMS was TOF.

2. Synthesis

2.1 Synthesis of trisubstituted cyclopropenes

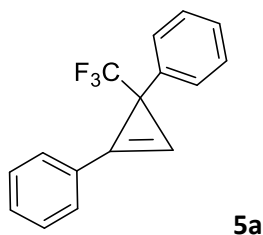


General procedure:

In a carousel tube reactor under nitrogen atmosphere the corresponding *N*-tosylhydrazone (**4**) (1 equiv, 0.1 mmol), the terminal alkyne (**2**) (2 equiv) and K_2CO_3 (2 equiv) were dissolved in 3 ml of C_6F_6 and the mixture was stirred at 85 °C for 21 h. Then, the solution was washed with $NaHCO_3$ (2 x 5 mL), $NaCl$ (sat) (2 x 5 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic phase was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and the solvents were removed under slight vacuum. All the crudes were purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, eluent). Note: cyclopropenes **5** can be volatile compounds, therefore careful solvent removal is recommended.

(1-(Trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (**5a**)²

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.058 mmol, 20 mg), phenylacetylene (0.117 mmol, 13 μ L) and K_2CO_3 (0.117 mmol, 16 mg), were obtained 7.8 mg of **5a** (52 % isolated yield) as a red oil. R_f 0.59 (15:1 Hexane/ $AcOEt$).

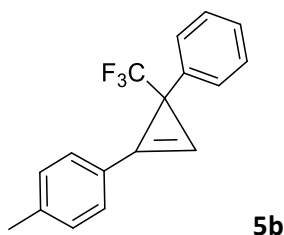


1-Methyl-4-(3-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (**5b**)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.058 mmol, 20 mg), *p*-methylphenylacetylene (0.117 mmol, 15 μ L) and K_2CO_3 (0.117 mmol, 16 mg), were obtained 4.8 mg of **5b** (30 % isolated yield) as a red oil. R_f 0.36 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.41 (s, 3H, CH_3), 7.10 (bs, 1H), 7.24-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 21.6 (CH_3), 32.9 (q, J_{CF} = 35.7 Hz, C), 97.7 (q, J_{CF} = 2.6 Hz, CH), 117.1 (C), 122.3

(C), 126.7 (q, J_{CF} = 272.9 Hz, CF₃). 127.1 (CH), 127.6 (2CH), 128.3 (2CH), 129.7 (2CH), 130.0 (2CH), 138.3 (C), 140.8 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -63.98 (CF₃).

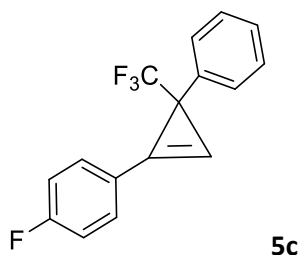
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1-Fluoro-4-(3-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (5c)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.117 mmol, 40 mg), *p*-fluorophenylacetylene (0.23 mmol, 26 μ L) and K₂CO₃ (0.23 mmol, 32 mg), were obtained 10 mg of **5c** (31 % isolated yield) as an orange oil. *R*_f 0.33 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 7.16 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 3H), 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.66 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 31.8 (q, J_{CF} = 35.1 Hz, C), 98.4 (CH), 116.1 (C), 116.3 (d, J_{CF} = 22.1 Hz, 2CH), 121.4 (d, J_{CF} = 2.8 Hz, C), 126.2 (CF₃), 127.3 (CH), 127.6 (2CH), 128.4 (2CH), 132.0 (d, J_{CF} = 8.8 Hz, 2CH), 137.9 (C), 163.8 (d, J_{CF} = 277.1 Hz, C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -64.02 (CF₃), -108.50 (F).

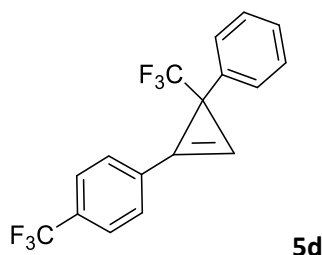
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1-(3-Phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (5d)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.058 mmol, 20 mg), *p*-trifluoromethylphenylacetylene (0.117 mmol, 16 μ L) and K₂CO₃ (0.117 mmol, 16 mg), were obtained 9.8 mg of **5d** (51 % isolated yield) as an orange oil. *R*_f 0.35 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 7.37 (m, 7H), 7.76 (q, J = 8.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 32.3 (q, J_{CF} = 37.6 Hz, C), 96.0 (q, J_{CF} = 2.9 Hz, CH), 114.5 (2CH), 117.6 (C), 123.7 (q, J_{CF} = 276.9 Hz, C), 126.5 (q, J_{CF} = 280.7 Hz, C), 127.0 (CH), 127.5 (2CH), 128.3 (2CH), 128.5 (C), 130.7 (2CH), 138.4 (q, J_{CF} = 33.8 Hz, C), 161.2 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.97 (CF₃), -64.12 (CF₃).

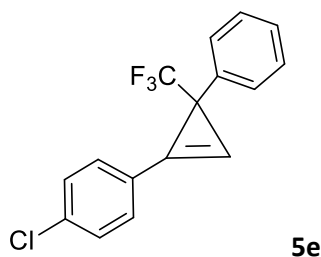
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1-Chloro-4-(3-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (5e)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.058 mmol, 20 mg), *p*-chlorophenylacetylene (0.117 mmol, 16 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.117 mmol, 16 mg), were obtained 7 mg of **5e** (40 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.39 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.43 (m, 4H), 7.60 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 32.7 (q, *J*_{CF} = 33.8 Hz, C), 99.6 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.8 Hz, CH), 116.5 (C), 123.6 (C), 126.4 (q, *J*_{CF} = 278.4, CF₃), 127.3 (CH), 127.6 (2CH), 128.5 (2CH), 129.4 (2CH), 131.2 (2CH), 136.5 (C), 137.8 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -64.05 (CF₃).

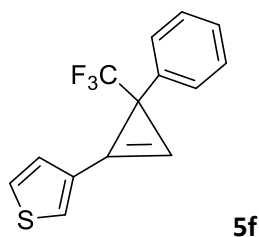
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3-(3-Phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)thiophene (5f)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.058 mmol, 20 mg), 3-ethynylthiophene (0.117 mmol, 12 μl) and K₂CO₃ (0.117 mmol, 16 mg), were obtained 4.6 mg of **5f** (30 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.42 (15:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 7.03 (q, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.69 (dd, *J* = 3.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 32.1 (q, *J*_{CF} = 34.9 Hz, C), 96.3 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.8 Hz, CH), 112.1 (C), 126.0 (q, *J*_{CF} = 277.1 Hz, CF₃), 126.4 (C), 127.0 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 127.7 (2CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.4 (2CH), 129.0 (CH), 138.1 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -64.31 (CF₃).

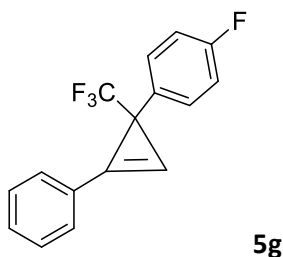
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1-Fluoro-4-(2-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (5g)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.056 mmol, 20 mg), phenylacetylene (0.11 mmol, 12 μ L) and K_2CO_3 (0.11 mmol, 15 mg), were obtained 15 mg of **5g** (96% isolated yield) as an orange oil. R_f 0.47 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 7.01 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.66 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 31.7 (q, J_{CF} = 33.7 Hz, C), 98.9 (q, J_{CF} = 2.8 Hz, CH), 115.3 (d, J_{CF} = 21.2 Hz, 2CH), 117.7 (q, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 124.9 (C), 126.6 (q, J_{CF} = 278.2 Hz, CF_3), 129.1 (2CH), 129.5 (d, J_{CF} = 8.3 Hz, 2CH), 130.0 (2CH), 130.6 (CH), 134.0 (q, J_{CF} = 3.3 Hz, C), 162.0 (d, J_{CF} = 249.1 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -64.35 (CF_3), -115.20 (F).

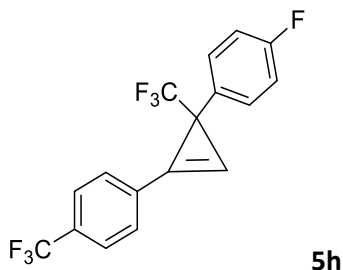
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1-Fluoro-4-(1-(trifluoromethyl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (5h)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.110 mmol, 40 mg), trifluoromethylphenylacetylene (0.220, 37.5 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.220 mmol, 30.4 mg), were obtained 18 mg of **5h** (56% isolated yield) as a yellowish oil. R_f 0.31 (30:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 7.03 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ = 31.9 (q, J = 37.1 Hz, C), 102.1 (q, J_{CF} = 2.7 Hz, CH), 115.5 (d, J_{CF} = 21.6 Hz, 2CH), 116.9 (C), 123.6 (q, J_{CF} = 273.7 Hz, CF_3), 126.1 (q, J_{CF} = 3.6 Hz, 2CH), 126.5 (q, J_{CF} = 273.7 Hz, CF_3), 128.3 (C), 129.4 (d, J_{CF} = 7.6 Hz, 2CH), 130.1 (2CH), 131.7 (q, J_{CF} = 34.1 Hz, C), 133.3 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, C), 162.0 (d, J = 246 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ = -62.97 (CF_3), -64.45 (CF_3), -114.58 (CF).

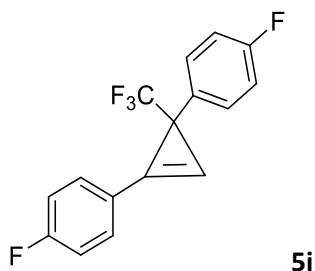
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4, 4'-(1-(Trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(fluorobenzene) (5i)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.11 mmol, 40 mg), *p*-fluorophenylacetylene (0.22 mmol, 25 μ L) and K_2CO_3 (0.22 mmol, 30 mg), were obtained 21 mg of **5i** (63 % isolated yield) as a red oil. R_f 0.28 (50:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 7.00 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.65 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 31.7 (q, J_{CF} = 35.8 Hz, C), 98.4 (CH), 115.3 (d, J_{CF} = 21.6 Hz, 2CH), 116.4 (d, J_{CF} = 22.4 Hz, 2CH), 116.7 (d, J_{CF} = 2.2 Hz, C), 121.2 (d, J_{CF} = 3.3 Hz, C), 126.5 (q, J_{CF} = 278.9 Hz, CF_3), 129.4 (d, J_{CF} = 8.2 Hz, 2CH), 132.0 (d, J_{CF} = 8.9 Hz, 2CH), 133.7 (d, J_{CF} = 3.0 Hz, C), 162.0 (d, J_{CF} = 246.4 Hz, C), 163.9 (d, J_{CF} = 252.5 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -64.34 (CF_3), -108.19 (F), -115.01 (F).

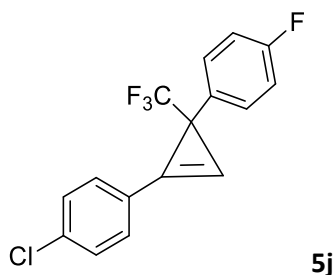
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1-Chloro-4-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (5j)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.147 mmol, 53 mg), *p*-chlorophenylacetylene (0.29 mmol, 46 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.29 mmol, 40 mg), were obtained 22 mg of **5j** (47 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.34 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 7.02 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8.5, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 31.8 (q, J_{CF} = 35.7 Hz, C), 99.7 (q, J_{CF} = 2.9 Hz, CH), 115.4 (d, J_{CF} = 21.4 Hz, 2CH), 116.8 (q, J_{CF} = 2.1, C), 126.4 (q, J_{CF} = 277.6 Hz, CF_3), 123.4 (C), 129.3 (d, J_{CF} = 8.1 Hz, 2CH), 129.4 (2CH), 131.1 (2CH), 133.6 (d, J_{CF} = 3.3 Hz, C), 136.7 (C), 162.1 (d, J_{CF} = 246.6 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -64.38 (CF_3), -114.88 (F).

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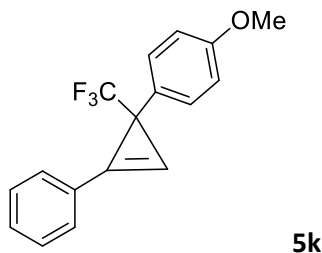


1-Methoxy-4-(2-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (5k)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.11 mmol, 42 mg), phenylacetylene (0.22 mmol, 24 μ L) and

K₂CO₃ (0.22 mmol, 30 mg), were obtained 19 mg of **5k** (61% isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.24 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.68 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 31.6 (q, *J*_{CF} = 35.3 Hz, C), 55.2 (OCH₃), 99.4 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.9 Hz, CH), 113.8 (2CH), 118.1 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 125.2 (C), 126.8 (q, *J*_{CF} = 277.4 Hz, CF₃), 129.0 (4CH), 129.9 (2CH), 130.3 (CH), 130.3 (C), 158.8 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -64.40 (CF₃).

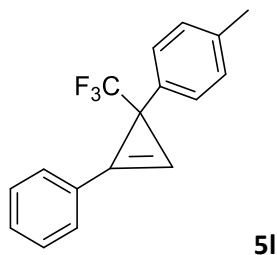
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1-Methyl-4-(2-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (**5l**)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-methylphenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.056 mmol, 20 mg), phenylacetylene (0.112 mmol, 12 μl) and K₂CO₃ (0.112 mmol, 15 mg), were obtained 7.2 mg of **5l** (47 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.26 (15:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.33 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.67 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.0 (CH₃), 32.0 (q, *J*_{CF} = 35.3 Hz, C), 99.0 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.9 Hz, C), 117.7 (C), 125.2 (C), 126.6 (CF₃), 127.6 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.1 (2CH), 130.0 (2CH), 130.3 (CH), 135.1 (C), 136.9 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -64.17 (CF₃).

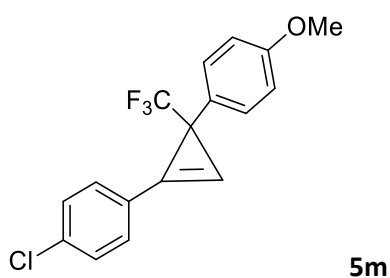
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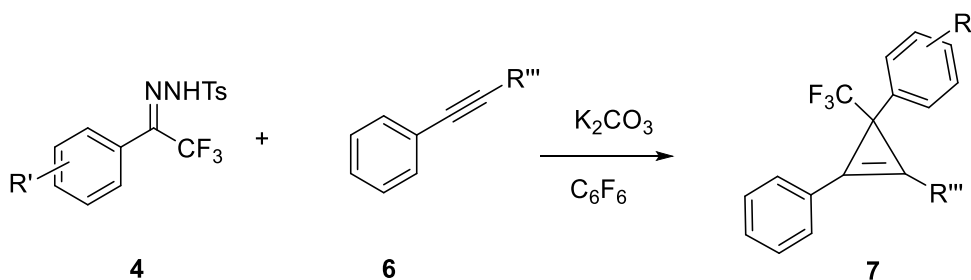
1-Chloro-4-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (**5m**)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methoxy-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.107 mmol, 40 mg), *p*-chlorophenylacetylene (0.21 mmol, 33 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.21 mmol, 29 mg), were obtained 7.2 mg of **5m** (47 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.17 (Hexane). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (bs, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 31.7 (q, *J*_{CF} = 33.7 Hz, C), 55.3 (OCH₃), 100.1 (q, *J*_{CF} = 3.1 Hz, C), 113.9 (2CH), 117.1 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.2 Hz, C), 126.6 (q, *J*_{CF} = 277.6 Hz, CF₃), 123.7 (C), 128.9 (2CH), 129.4 (2CH), 131.1 (2CH), 132.7 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.1 Hz, C), 136.4 (C), 158.8 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -64.46 (CF₃).

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2.2 Synthesis of tetrasubstituted cyclopropenes

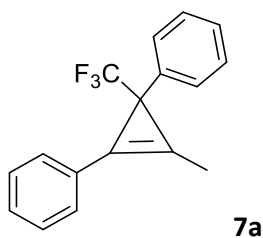


General procedure:

In a carousel tube reactor under nitrogen atmosphere the corresponding *N*-tosylhydrazone (**4**) (1 equiv, 0.1 mmol), the internal alkyne (**6**) (2 equiv) and K_2CO_3 (2 equiv) were dissolved in 3 ml of C_6F_6 and the mixture was stirred at 110 °C for 24h. Then, the solution was washed with $NaHCO_3$ (2 x 5 mL), NaCl (sat) (2 x 5 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane. Then, the organic phase was dried over Na_2SO_4 and filtered to remove the solvent under slight vacuum. All the crudes were purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, eluent). Note: cyclopropenes **7** can be volatile compounds therefore careful solvent removal is recommended.

(3-Methyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (**7a**)³

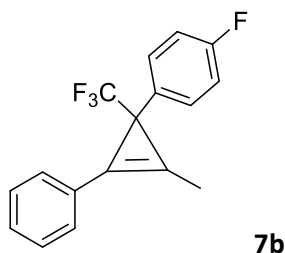
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1-Fluoro-4-(2-methyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7b)

Reaction performed at 1 mmol scale. Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (1 mmol, 0.36 g), 1-phenyl-1-propyne (2 mmol, 0.25 ml) and K_2CO_3 (2 mmol, 0.27 g), were obtained 0.21 g of **7b** (71 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.29 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.40 (s, 3H, CH_3), 7.00 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.58 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 10.2 (CH_3), 33.6 (q, J_{CF} = 33.8 Hz, C), 108.8 (C), 109.6 (C), 115.2 (d, J_{CF} = 21.3 Hz, 2CH), 126.0 (C), 127.0 (q, J_{CF} = 277.8 Hz, CF_3), 128.9 (2CH), 129.3 (2CH), 129.4 (d, J_{CF} = 7.2 Hz, 2CH), 130.0 (CH), 134.1 (d, J_{CF} = 2.8 Hz, C), 161.8 (d, J_{CF} = 249.5 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -63.32 (CF_3), -115.57 (F).

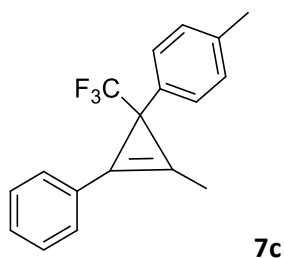
EI HRMS: calcd. for $C_{17}H_{12}F_4$: 292.0875, found: 292.0882.



1-Methyl-4-(2-methyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7c)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.11 mmol, 41 mg), diphenylacetylene (0.22 mmol, 39 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.22 mmol, 30 mg), were obtained 25 mg of **7c** (77 % isolated yield) as a white solid. R_f 0.16 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, 298K, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.60 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, 298K, $CDCl_3$) δ = 9.3 (CH_3), 21.0 (CH_3), 33.2 (q, J_{CF} = 34.5 Hz, C), 108.8 (q, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 109.7 (q, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 126.3 (C), 127.1 (q, J_{CF} = 278 Hz, C), 127.6 (2CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.1 (2CH), 129.3 (2CH), 135.3 (C), 136.6 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, 298K, $CDCl_3$): δ -63.20.

EI HRMS: calcd. For $C_{18}H_{15}F_3$: 288.1126, found: 288.1114.

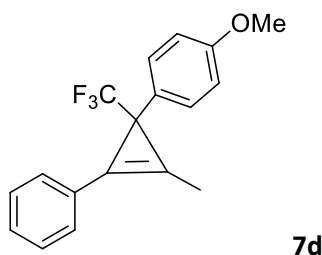


1-Methoxy-4-(2-methyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7d)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.080 mmol, 31 mg), 1-phenylpropyne

(0.16 mmol, 20 μ l) and K_2CO_3 (0.16 mmol, 22 mg), were obtained 21 mg of **7d** (86 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.31 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.40 (s, 3H, CH_3), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 6.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.60 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 9.4 (CH_3), 32.7 (q, J_{CF} = 34.5 Hz, C), 55.2 (OCH_3), 109.2 (q, J_{CF} = 2.5 Hz, C), 110.0 (q, J_{CF} = 2.5 Hz, C), 113.8 (2CH), 127.1 (d, J_{CF} = 278.3 Hz, CF_3), 126.4 (C), 128.9 (2CH), 129.0 (2CH), 129.1 (CH), 129.3 (2CH), 130.4 (C), 158.6 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -63.47 (CF_3).

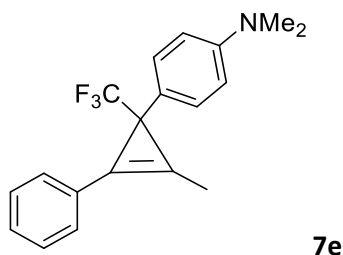
EI HRMS: calcd. for $C_{18}H_{15}F_3O$: 304.1058, found: 304.1061.



***N,N*-dimethyl-4-(2-methyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)aniline (**7e**)**

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonylhydrazide (0.20 mmol, 78 mg), 1-phenyl-1-propyne (0.40 mmol, 50 μ l) and K_2CO_3 (0.40 mmol, 55 mg), were obtained 19 mg of **7e** (30 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.32 (10:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.40 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.93 (s, 6H, 2 CH_3), 6.69 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 7.43 (m, 4H), 7.60 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 9.4 (CH_3), 33.1 (q, J_{CF} = 33.4 Hz, C), 40.9 (2 CH_3), 109.3 (C), 110.3 (C), 113.0 (CH), 127.4 (q, J_{CF} = 278.1 Hz, CF_3), 122.3 (C), 126.6 (C), 128.7 (2CH), 128.8 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.3 (2CH), 162.2 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -63.55 (CF_3).

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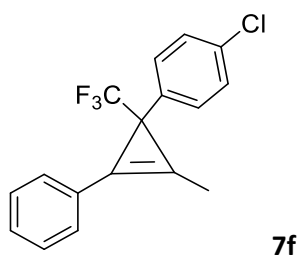


1-Chloro-4-(2-methyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7f**)**

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonylhydrazide (0.40 mmol, 0.15 g), 1-phenyl-1-propyne (0.80 mmol, 100 μ l) and K_2CO_3 (0.80 mmol, 0.11 g), were obtained 54 mg of **7f** (44 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.33 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.39 (s, 3H, CH_3), 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.57 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 9.2 (CH_3), 33.0 (q, J_{CF} = 35.0 Hz, C), 108.4 (q, J_{CF} = 2.5 Hz, C), 109.2 (q, J_{CF} = 2.5 Hz, C), 125.8 (C), 126.8 (q, J_{CF} = 278.1 Hz, CF_3), 127.5 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.5 (2CH), 128.9

(2CH), 129.3 (2CH), 131.5 (CH), 132.8 (C), 136.8 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = -63.12 (CF_3).

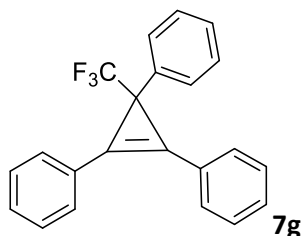
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(3-(Trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-ene-1,2,3-triyl)tribenzene (**7g**)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.116 mmol, 40 mg), diphenylacetylene (0.232 mmol, 42 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.232 mmol, 32 mg), were obtained 28 mg of **7g** (72 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.29 (Hexane). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = 7.29-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.50 (m, 8H), 7.80 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = 33.5 (d, J_{CF} = 34.5 Hz, C), 109.9 (2C), 127.0 (q, J_{CF} = 278.2 Hz, CF_3), 126.2 (C), 127.0 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 129.1 (4CH), 129.8 (2CH), 130.0 (4CH), 131.2 (C), 137.4 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = -62.02 (CF_3).

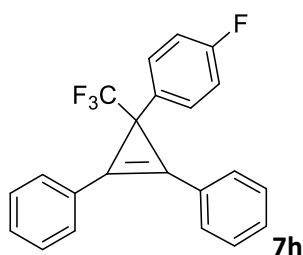
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(3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (**7h**)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.12 mmol, 42 mg), diphenylacetylene (0.232, 42 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.23 mmol, 32 mg), were obtained 27 mg of **7h** (62 % isolated yield) as a yellowish solid. R_f 0.27 (Hexane). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, 298K, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = 6.99 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (m, 8H), 7.78 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, 298 K, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = 33.4 (q, J_{CF} = 34.6 Hz, C), 110.0 (2C), 115.3 (d, J_{CF} = 21.2 Hz, 2CH), 126.0 (2C), 126.9 (q, J_{CF} = 277.7 Hz, CF_3), 129.2 (2CH), 129.3 (d, J_{CF} = 8.1 Hz, 2CH), 130.0 (8CH), 133.2 (d, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 161.9 (d, J_{CF} = 245.5 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, 298K, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) = -62.33 (F), -115.33 (CF_3).

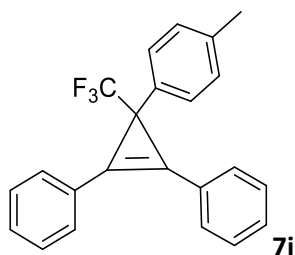
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(3-(*p*-Tolyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (7i)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfono hydrazide (0.116 mmol, 41.3 mg), diphenylacetylene (0.232, 41.3 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.23 mmol, 32 mg), were obtained 33 mg of **7i** (82 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.32 (30:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $298K$, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.3 (s, 3H), 7.13 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.79 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 21.0 (CH_3), 33.4 (q, J_{CF} = 34.3 Hz, C), 110.3 (2C), 126.1 (q, J_{CF} = 277.9 Hz, CF_3), 126.3 (2C), 127.5 (2CH), 129.0 (4CH), 129.1 (2CH), 129.7 (2CH), 130.0 (4CH), 134.3 (C), 136.7 (C). ^{19}F NMR (256.25 MHz, $298K$, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.17 (CF_3).

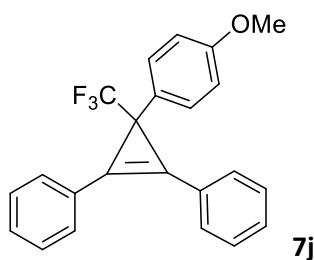
EI HRMS: calcd. For $C_{23}H_{17}F_3$: 350.1282, found: 350.1273.



(3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (7j)

Following the general procedure, from 4-Methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.11 mmol, 41 mg), diphenylacetylene (0.22 mmol, 39 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.22 mmol, 30 mg), were obtained 25 mg of **7j** (62 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.13 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 3.78 (s, 3H, CH_3O), 6.84 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (m, 8H), 7.79 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 33.5 (q, J_{CF} = 33.8 Hz, C), 55.6 (CH_3O), 110.8 (2C), 114.2 (2CH), 126.7 (2C), 127.0 (q, J_{CF} = 281.2 Hz, CF_3), 129.3 (2CH), 129.5 (4CH), 129.9 (C), 130.1 (2CH), 130.4 (4CH), 159.0 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.43 (CF_3).

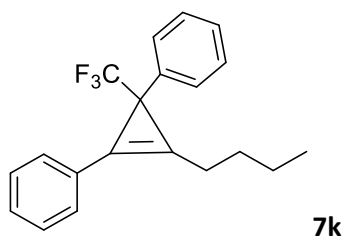
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(3-Butyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (**7k**)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.058 mmol, 20 mg), 1-phenyl-1-hexyne (0.117 mmol, 21 μ l) and K_2CO_3 (0.117 mmol, 16 mg), were obtained 7.3 mg of **7k** (40 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.40 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 0.97 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.46 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.78 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.73 (td, J = 7.4, 3.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.58 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 13.7 (CH_3), 22.5 (CH_2), 24.2 (CH_2), 29.6 (CH_2), 33.5 (q, J_{CF} = 34.6 Hz, C), 107.8 (q, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 113.7 (C), 127.1 (q, J_{CF} = 277.8 Hz, CF_3), 126.2 (C), 126.7 (CH), 127.5 (2CH), 128.3 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.1 (CH), 129.4 (2CH), 138.5 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.67 (CF_3).

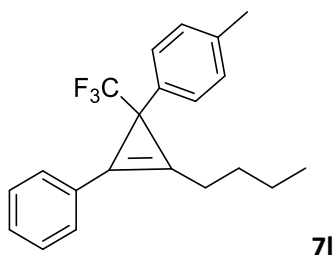
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1-(2-Butyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)-4-methylbenzene (**7l**)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.1 mmol, 36 mg), 1-phenylhexyne (0.2 mmol, 34 μ l) and K_2CO_3 (0.2 mmol, 28 mg), were obtained 22.1 mg of **7l** (67 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.35 (30:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 0.97 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.46 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.76 (qd, J = 7.4, 2.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.33 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.73 (td, J = 7.4, 3.4 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.11 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (s, 2H), 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.60 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 13.7 (CH_3), 21.0 (CH_3), 22.5 (CH_2), 24.2 (CH_2), 29.6 (CH_2), 33.7 (q, J_{CF} = 34.2 Hz, C), 108.0 (q, J_{CF} = 2.8 Hz, C), 113.9 (C), 127.1 (d, J_{CF} = 277.0 Hz, CF_3), 126.3 (C), 127.5 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.0 (3CH), 129.4 (2CH), 135.4 (C), 136.4 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.84 (CF_3).

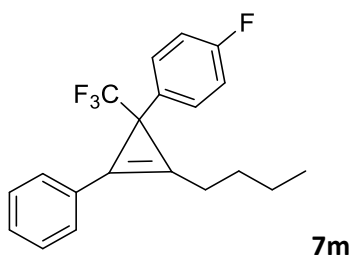
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1-(2-Butyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)-4-fluorobenzene (**7m**)

Following the general procedure, from *N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (0.11 mmol, 40 mg), 1-phenyl-1-hexyne (0.22 mmol, 39 μ l) and K_2CO_3 (0.22 mmol, 30 mg), were obtained 21 mg of **7m** (56 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.42 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 0.97 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.46 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.77 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.73 (td, J = 7.4, 1.7 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 6.99 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 13.7 (CH_3), 22.5 (CH_2), 24.2 (CH_2), 29.5 (CH_2), 33.0 (q, J_{CF} = 34.4 Hz, C), 107.9 (q, J_{CF} = 2.3 Hz, C), 114.0 (C), 115.2 (d, J_{CF} = 21.2 Hz, 2CH), 127.0 (q, J_{CF} = 278.2 Hz, CF_3), 126.0 (C), 129.0 (2CH), 129.2 (2CH), 129.4 (2CH), 131.5 (CH), 134.3 (d, J_{CF} = 2.5 Hz, C), 161.8 (d, J_{CF} = 245.4 Hz, C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -63.00 (CF_3), -115.83 (F).

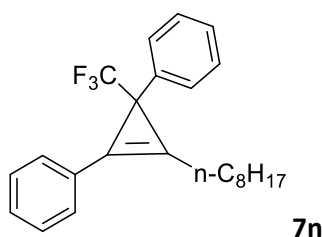
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(3-Octyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1,2-diyl)dibenzene (**7n**)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.18 mmol, 62 mg), 1-phenyl-1-decyne (0.37 mmol, 79 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.37 mmol, 51 mg), were obtained 20 mg of **7n** (79 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.44 (Hexane). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 0.90 (m, 3H, CH_3), 1.33 (m, 10H, CH_2), 1.79 (qt, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.73 (td, J = 7.4, 2.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.30 (m, 3H, CH), 7.42 (m, 5H, CH), 7.58 (m, 2H, CH). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 14.1 (CH_3), 22.6 (CH_2), 24.5 (CH_2), 27.5 (CH_2), 29.2 (CH_2), 29.2 (CH_2), 29.4 (CH_2), 31.8 (CH_2), 33.5 (q, J_{CF} = 34.4 Hz, C), 107.8 (C), 113.8 (C), 127.1 (q, J_{CF} = 278.2 Hz, CF_3), 126.2 (C), 126.7 (CH), 127.5 (2CH), 128.3 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.1 (CH), 129.4 (2CH), 138.5 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.64 (CF_3).

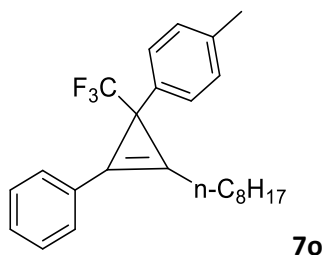
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1-Methyl-4-(2-octyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7o)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.26 mmol, 85 mg), 1-phenyl-1-decyne (0.51 mmol, 0.11g) and K_2CO_3 (0.51 mmol, 70 mg), were obtained 56.2 mg of **7o** (56 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.42 (Hexane). 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 0.92 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.30 (m, 8H, CH_2), 1.48 (m, 2H, CH_2), 1.80 (qt, J = 7.4, 1.9 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.35 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.73 (td, J = 7.5, 2.7 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 14.1 (CH_3), 21.0 (CH_3), 22.7 (CH_2), 24.6 (CH_2), 27.5 (CH_2), 29.2 (CH_2), 29.3 (CH_2), 29.4 (CH_2), 31.8 (CH_2), 33.3 (q, J_{CF} = 34.7 Hz, C), 108.0 (q, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 114.0 (C), 127.2 (q, J_{CF} = 278.1 Hz, CF_3), 126.3 (C), 127.5 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 129.0 (CH), 129.1 (2CH), 129.4 (2CH), 135.5 (C), 136.4 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.79 (CF_3).

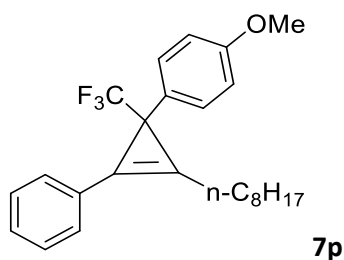
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1-Methoxy-4-(2-octyl-3-phenyl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7p)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.203 mmol, 76 mg), 1-phenyl-1-decyne (0.406 mmol, 87mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.406 mmol, 56 mg), were obtained 32.6 mg of **7p** (40 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.42 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 0.92 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.32 (m, 10H, CH_2), 1.80 (qd, J = 7.3, 2.1 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.75 (td, J = 7.6, 2.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 3.81 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 6.86 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.6 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 14.1 (CH_3), 22.7 (CH_2), 24.6 (CH_2), 27.6 (CH_2), 29.1 (CH_2), 29.2 (CH_2), 29.4 (CH_2), 31.8 (CH_2), 32.9 (q, J_{CF} = 35.1 Hz, C), 55.3 (OCH_3), 108.3 (q, J_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 113.8 (2CH), 114.4 (q, J_{CF} = 2.0 Hz, C), 126.4 (C), 127.2 (q, J_{CF} = 278.3 Hz, CF_3), 128.9 (4CH), 129.0 (CH), 129.4 (2CH), 130.6 (C), 158.5 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -63.06 (CF_3).

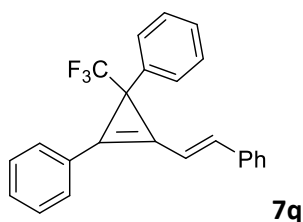
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(E)-[3-styryl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1, 2-diyl]benzene (7q)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.11 mmol, 39 mg), (*E*)-but-1-en-3-yne-1,4-diylidibenzene⁴ (0.23 mmol, 46 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.22 mmol, 30 mg), were obtained 20 mg of **7q** (51 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.26 (50:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 7.10 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H, CH), 7.22 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H, CH), 7.42 (m, 10H), 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 33.5 (q, *J*_{CF} = 34.8 Hz, C), 108.6 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.4 Hz, C), 110.6 (q, *J*_{CF} = 2.0 Hz, C), 112.0 (CH), 126.8 (q, *J*_{CF} = 280.0 Hz, CF₃), 126.6 (C), 127.0 (CH), 127.3 (2CH), 127.7 (2CH), 128.4 (2CH), 128.8 (2CH), 129.0 (2CH), 129.2 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.7 (2CH), 135.9 (C), 137.3 (C), 140.2 (CH). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.05 (CF₃).

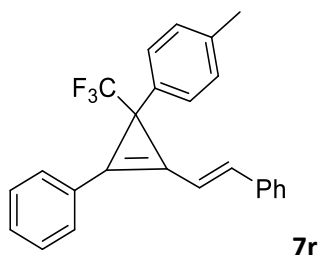
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(E)-1-methyl-4-(2-phenyl-3-styryl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7r)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.127 mmol, 45 mg), (*E*)-but-1-en-3-yne-1,4-diylidibenzene⁴ (0.25 mmol, 52 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.25 mmol, 34 mg), were obtained 39.2 mg of **7r** (82 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.29 (50:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.17 (m, 4H), 7.40 (m, 8H), 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.68 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.0 (CH₃), 33.2 (q, *J*_{CF} = 34.5 Hz, C), 108.7 (C), 110.8 (C), 112.1 (CH), 126.6 (C), 127.3 (2CH), 127.6 (2CH), 126.8 (d, *J*_{CF} = 275.4 Hz, CF₃), 128.8 (2CH), 129.0 (2CH), 129.1 (2CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.7 (2CH), 134.3 (C), 135.9 (C), 136.8 (C), 140.1 (CH). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.20 (CF₃).

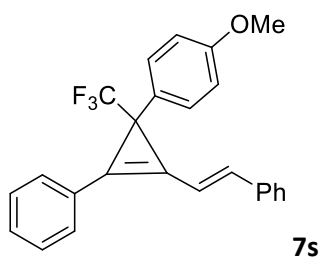
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(E)-1-methoxy-4-(2-phenyl-3-styryl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7s)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N*'-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.061 mmol, 23 mg), (*E*)-but-1-en-3-yne-1,4-diyl dibenzene (0.12 mmol, 25 mg) and K_2CO_3 (0.12 mmol, 17 mg), were obtained 7.2 mg of **7s** (30 % isolated yield) as a colorless oil. R_f 0.31 (20:1 Hexane/AcOEt). 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 6.86 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H, CH), 7.20 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H, CH), 7.45 (m, 8H), 7.55 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 32.9 (q, J_{CF} = 33.8 Hz, C), 55.2 (CH_3), 109.0 (C), 111.2 (C), 112.2 (CH), 113.8 (2CH), 126.7 (d, J_{CF} = 278.5 Hz, CF_3), 127.3 (2CH), 128.8 (2CH), 129.0 (4CH), 129.1 (CH), 129.4 (C), 129.5 (CH), 129.7 (2CH), 135.9 (C), 140.0 (CH), 158.7 (C). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = -62.48 (CF_3).

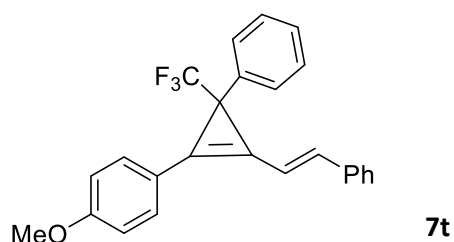
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(E)-1-methoxy-4-(3-phenyl-2-styryl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (7t)

Following the general procedure, from methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.085 mmol, 29 mg), (*E*)-1-methoxy-4-(4-phenylbut-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene⁵ (0.17 mmol, 40 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.17 mmol, 24 mg), were obtained 12 mg of **7t** (36 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. *R*_f 0.23 (10:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 7.00 (m, 3H), 7.19 (m, 1H, CH), 7.32 (m, 6H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 33.3 (q, *J*_{CF} = 33.5 Hz, C), 55.4 (CH₃), 105.9 (C), 110.2 (C), 112.3 (CH), 114.6 (2CH), 119.2 (C), 126.9 (q, *J*_{CF} = 274.8 Hz, CF₃), 126.9 (CH), 127.2 (2CH), 127.6 (CH), 128.4 (2CH), 128.8 (2CH), 128.9 (2CH), 131.3 (2CH), 136.1 (C), 137.5 (C), 138.9 (CH), 160.7 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -61.99 (CF₃).

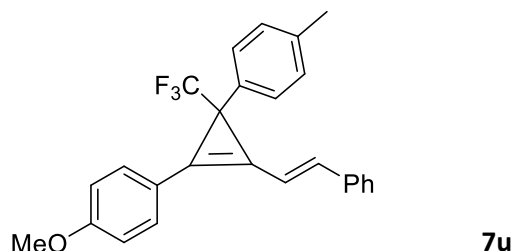
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(E)-1-methoxy-4-(2-styryl-3-(*p*-tolyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (7u)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.067 mmol, 24 mg), (*E*)-1-methoxy-4-(4-phenylbut-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (0.13 mmol, 31.4 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.13 mmol, 19 mg), were obtained 10.6 mg of **7u** (39 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. *R*_f 0.13 (50:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.33 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.38 (m, 5H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.0 (CH₃), 33.0 (q, *J*_{CF} = 37.7 Hz, C), 55.4 (OCH₃), 106.1 (C), 110.4 (C), 112.3 (CH), 114.6 (2CH), 119.3 (C), 127.1 (2CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.9 (q, *J*_{CF} = 277.9 Hz, CF₃), 128.8 (2CH), 128.8 (2CH), 129.1 (2CH), 131.3 (2CH), 134.5 (C), 136.1 (C), 136.6 (C), 138.8 (CH), 160.7 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.15 (CF₃).

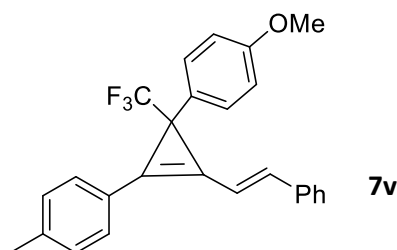
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(E)-1-methoxy-4-(2-styryl-3-(p-tolyl)-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-yl)benzene (7v)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.16 mmol, 60 mg), (*E*)-1-methyl-4-(4-phenylbut-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (0.32 mmol, 0.11 g) and K₂CO₃ (0.32 mmol, 44 mg), were obtained 30.6 mg of **7v** (42 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.15 (50:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.43 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, CH), 7.07 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.6 (CH₃), 32.8 (q, *J*_{CF} = 32.9 Hz, C), 55.2 (OCH₃), 107.9 (C), 111.1 (C), 112.4 (CH), 113.8 (2CH), 123.9 (C), 127.2 (2CH), 127.3 (q, *J*_{CF} = 273.1 Hz, CF₃), 128.8 (2CH), 129.0 (3CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.6 (C), 129.7 (2CH), 129.8 (2CH), 136.0 (C), 139.4 (CH), 140.0 (C), 158.6 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.44 (CF₃).

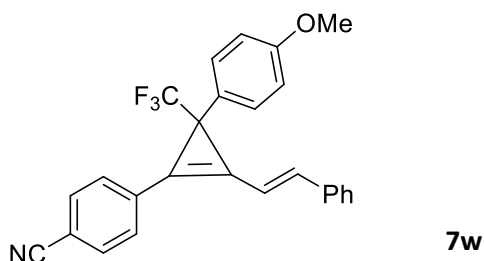
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(E)-4-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-styryl-3-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-1-en-1-yl)benzonitrile (7w)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N'*-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.059 mmol, 21 mg), (*E*)-4-(4-phenylbut-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzonitrile⁵ (0.118 mmol, 27 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.118 mmol, 16.3 mg), were obtained 7.9 mg of **7w** (32 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.25 (6:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 5H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 33.2 (d, *J*_{CF} = 33.9 Hz, C), 55.3 (OCH₃), 109.2 (C), 111.5 (CH), 112.4 (C), 113.4 (C), 114.0 (2CH), 118.5 (C), 126.8 (q, *J*_{CF} = 276.1 Hz, CF₃), 127.6 (2CH), 128.4 (C), 128.8 (2CH), 129.0 (2CH), 129.8 (2CH), 129.9 (CH), 131.1 (C), 132.7 (2CH), 135.4 (C), 142.5 (CH), 157.9 (C), 158.9 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.62 (CF₃).

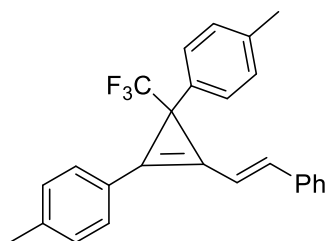
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(*E*)-4,4'-(3-styryl-1-(trifluoromethyl)cycloprop-2-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(methylbenzene) (7x)

Following the general procedure, from 4-methyl-*N*'-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide (0.093 mmol, 33 mg), (*E*)-1-methyl-4-(4-phenylbut-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene⁵ (0.19 mmol, 41 mg) and K₂CO₃ (0.19 mmol, 26 mg), were obtained 13.8 mg of **7x** (38 % isolated yield) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.31 (30:1 Hexane/AcOEt). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.33 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.42 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 17.9, 11.2 Hz, 4H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (m, 6H), 7.54 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.0 (CH₃), 21.6 (CH₃), 33.1 (q, *J*_{CF} = 33.3 Hz, C), 107.6 (C), 110.7 (C), 112.3 (CH), 123.8 (C), 126.3 (q, *J*_{CF} = 278.1 Hz, CF₃), 127.2 (2CH), 127.6 (2CH), 128.8 (2CH), 129.0 (CH), 129.1 (2CH), 129.7 (2CH), 129.8 (2CH), 134.4 (C), 136.0 (C), 136.6 (C), 139.4 (CH), 139.9 (C). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -62.17 (CF₃).

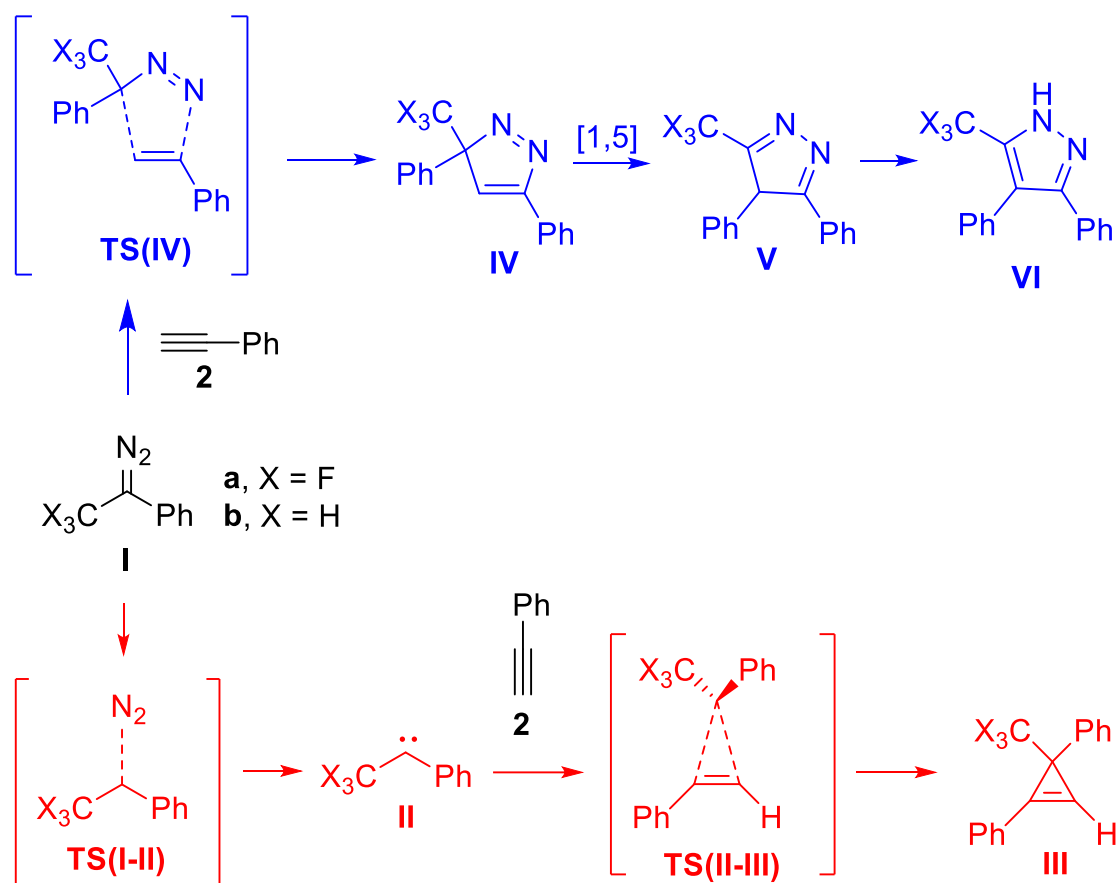
EI HRMS: calcd. for [M+1]: [C₂₆H₂₂F₃]: 391.1668, found: 391.1663.



7x

4. Computational Modeling

Methods: All calculations were performed with the Gaussian09 package of programs.⁶ Full geometry optimizations were carried out employing the M06-2X hybrid functional with the 6-311++G** basis set, denoted as M06-2X/6-311++G**.⁷ Harmonic force constants were computed at the optimized geometries employing the same level of theory to characterize the stationary points as minima or saddle points. Zero-point vibrational corrections were determined from the harmonic vibrational frequencies to convert the total energies E_{el} to Gibbs free energies G . Solvation free energies were calculated at the same level considering benzene as the solvent and employing the IEF-PCM model with the United Atom Topological Model (UAHF) to define the cavity. Frontier Orbital Energies for diazo compounds **Ia**, **Ib** and phenylacetylene were obtained from a single point HF/6-311G** calculation on the geometries optimized at the M06-2X/6-311++G** level. Computational data, three-dimensional models and cartesian coordinates for all the stationary points found are included below. The three-dimensional models have been rendered with CYLview.⁸



Scheme S1. Reaction pathways calculated

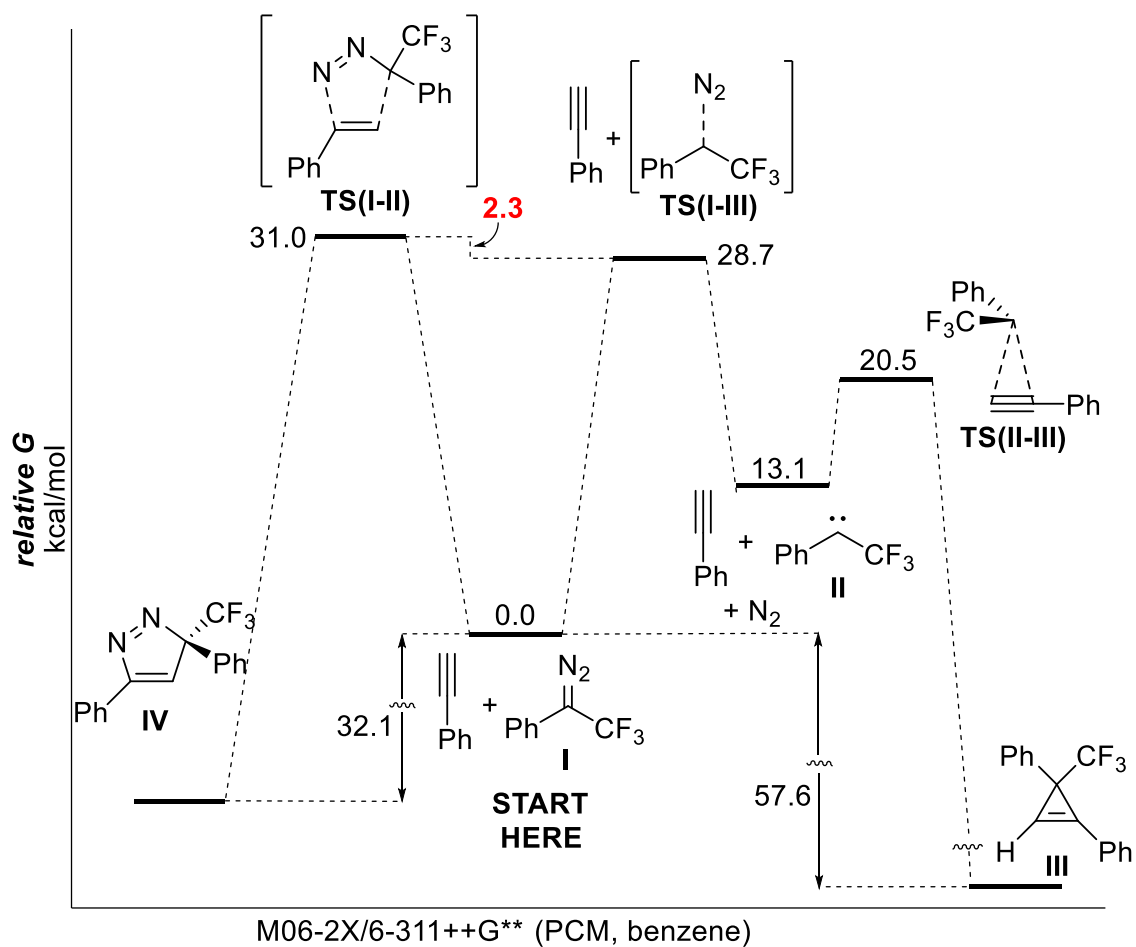
Table S1: Relative Energy data obtained for the stationary points at the M06-2X/6-311++G** level. Relative energy values are given in kcal·mol⁻¹ E_{el}: electronic energy; G: Gibbs free energy in vacuum; G_{solv}: Gibbs free energy taking into account solvation effects in benzene.

Model a: X = CF₃

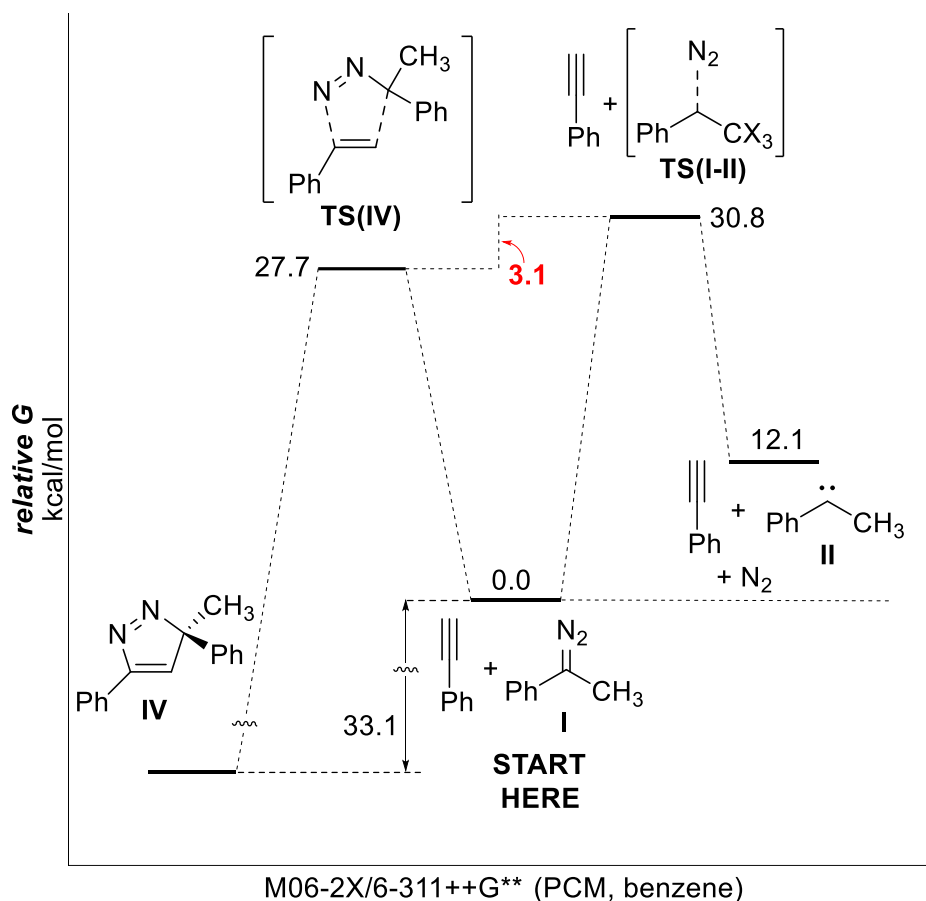
Relative E	I+2	TS(I-II)+2	II + 2+N ₂	TS(II-III)+N ₂	III+N ₂	TS(IV)	IV
E _{el}	0	32.2	27.8	21.3	-61.6	16.4	-50.9
G	0	29.5	14.5	20.0	-58.3	29.8	-32.3
G _{solv}	0	28.7	13.8	20.4		31.0	-32.1
ΔG _{act}		28.7		6.6		31.0	
ΔΔG _{act}						2.3	

Model B: X = CH₃

Relative E	I+2	TS(I-II)+2	II + 2+N ₂			TS(IV)	IV
E _{el}	0	34.6	27.5			15.0	-56.2
G	0	31.4	13.3			27.0	-33.1
G _{solv}	0	30.8	12.1			27.7	-33.1
ΔG _{act}		30.8				27.7	
ΔΔG _{act}						-3.1	



Scheme S2: Gibbs free energy representation of the reactions pathways calculated for the reaction between phenylacetylene and (1-diazo-2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)benzene **Ia** at the M06-2X/6-311++G**/PCM(benzene) level.



Scheme S3: Gibbs free energy representation of the reactions pathways calculated for the reaction between phenylacetylene and (1-diazoethyl)benzene **II** at the M06-2X/6-311++G**/PCM(benzene) level.

Ia

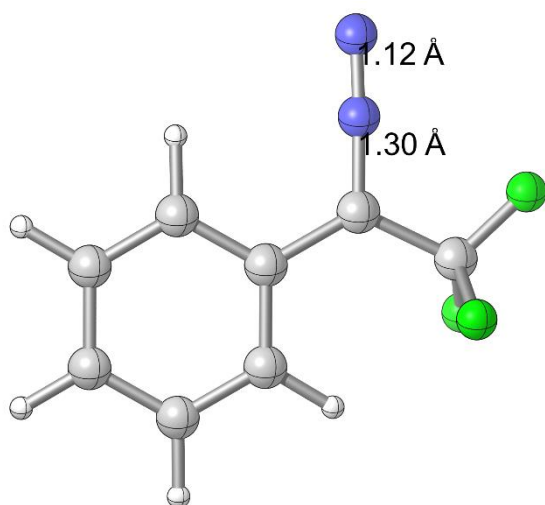
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Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.083205
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-716.662132
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-716.651474
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-716.650530
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-716.699989

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -716.788215800



Standard orientation:

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
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11	1	0	4.562077	-0.545757	-0.000081
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16	9	0	-1.661696	-1.415369	1.072543
17	9	0	-1.661553	-1.415521	-1.072349
18	9	0	-2.972035	-0.070482	-0.000077

N2

Gas phase:

E(RM062X) = -109.522095878

Zero-point correction= 0.005731 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.008092

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.009036

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= -0.012692

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -109.516364

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -109.514004

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -109.513060

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -109.534788

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -109.522477771

TS (I-II) a

Gas phase:

E(RM062X) = -716.731875519

Zero-point correction= 0.117317 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.128452

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.129396

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.078831

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -716.614558

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -716.603424

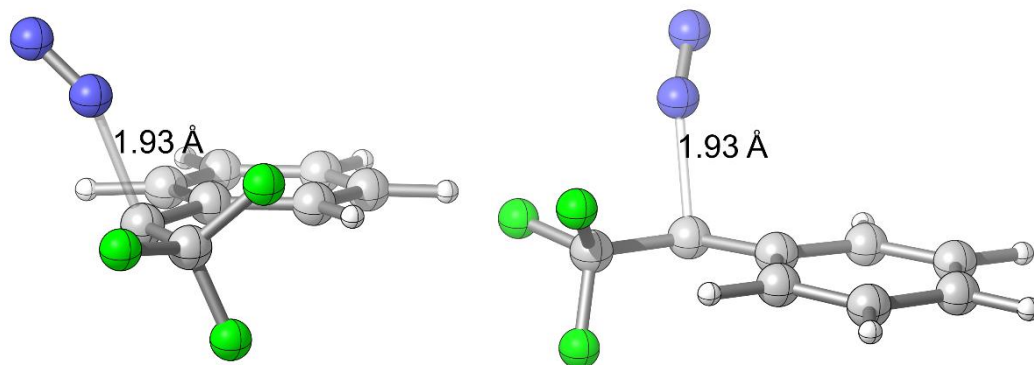
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Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -716.653044

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -716.738151695

1 imaginary frequency= -322.60



Standard orientation:

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1	6	0	-0.666303	0.347426	-0.678108
2	7	0	-1.245608	1.773859	0.490351
3	7	0	-1.440812	2.834069	0.676079
4	6	0	-1.697881	-0.635198	-0.192451
5	9	0	-1.526852	-1.758207	-0.909045

6	9	0	-2.945367	-0.196391	-0.405034
7	9	0	-1.668312	-0.995480	1.115270
8	6	0	0.718396	0.097398	-0.281684
9	6	0	1.170188	-1.002472	0.472571
10	6	0	1.671506	0.997354	-0.792266
11	6	0	2.526775	-1.187586	0.696907
12	1	0	0.464147	-1.719377	0.870396
13	6	0	3.022321	0.833701	-0.531606
14	1	0	1.319027	1.821199	-1.402741
15	6	0	3.450087	-0.265862	0.209173
16	1	0	2.865646	-2.046610	1.263326
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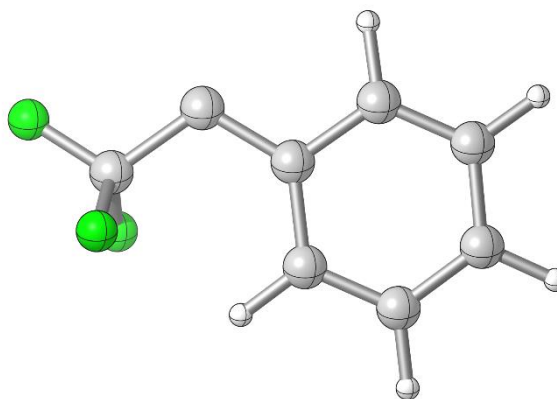
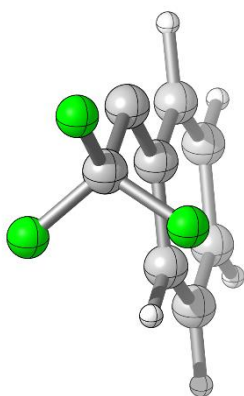
Gas phase:

E(RM062X) = -607.216747763

Zero-point correction=	0.109586 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.118493
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.119437
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.074669
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-607.107162
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-607.098255
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-607.097311
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-607.142078

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -607.223656742



Standard orientation:

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3	9	0	-1.901169	-0.706512	-1.091789
4	9	0	-3.110683	0.694655	-0.000295
5	9	0	-1.901326	-0.706037	1.092039
6	6	0	0.514778	0.460421	-0.000013
7	6	0	0.813292	-0.931520	0.000187
8	6	0	1.596419	1.375210	-0.000167

9	6	0	2.123705	-1.363614	0.000237
10	1	0	0.010519	-1.657573	0.000336
11	6	0	2.909838	0.937747	-0.000176
12	1	0	1.349565	2.430231	-0.000284
13	6	0	3.166202	-0.430893	0.000040
14	1	0	2.348705	-2.423007	0.000418
15	1	0	3.728663	1.645997	-0.000318
16	1	0	4.192235	-0.782723	0.000065

Phenylacetylene

Gas phase:

E(RM062X) = -308.337578957

Zero-point correction=	0.110408 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.116751
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.117695
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.080048
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-308.227171
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-308.220828
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-308.219884
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PCM:

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TS(II-III) a

Gas Phase:

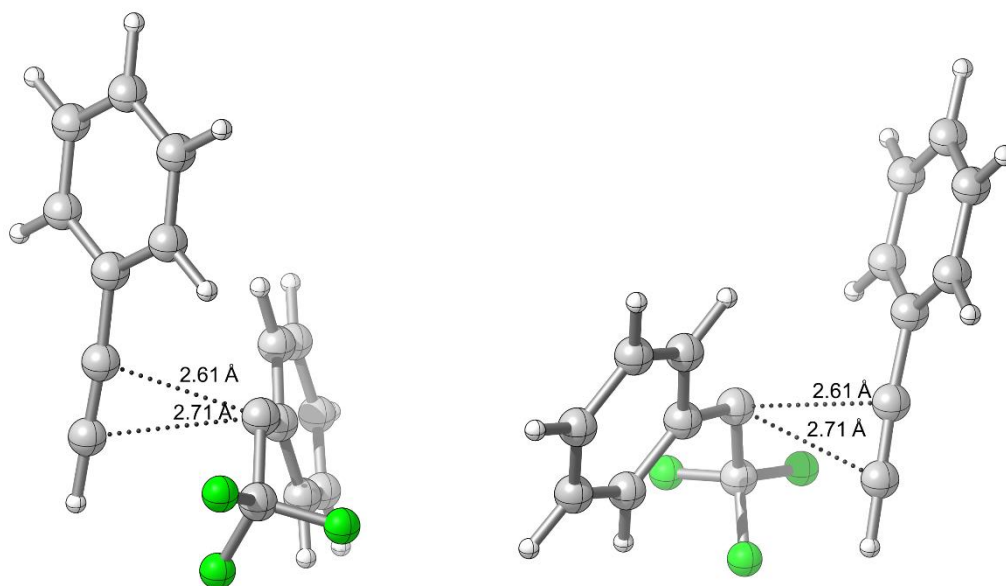
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Zero-point correction=	0.220600 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.236873
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.237818
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.173856
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-915.344060
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-915.327787
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-915.326843
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-915.390804

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -915.573024900

1 imaginary frequency= -69.34



Standard orientation:

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4	1	0	-0.703857	-1.148101	2.632194
5	6	0	-1.473711	0.618310	-0.310847
6	6	0	-2.846020	0.761411	-0.000173
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8	6	0	-3.415230	2.020601	0.090649
9	1	0	-3.465189	-0.114221	0.144978
10	6	0	-1.269656	3.044522	-0.375225
11	1	0	0.337750	1.662058	-0.774209
12	6	0	-2.626738	3.158310	-0.079813
13	1	0	-4.471918	2.122947	0.306043
14	1	0	-0.666755	3.933219	-0.515576
15	1	0	-3.077301	4.140465	0.011548
16	6	0	-1.528215	-1.883031	-0.233063
17	9	0	-0.728945	-2.951894	-0.141358
18	9	0	-2.319366	-1.937305	0.873403
19	9	0	-2.342077	-2.075765	-1.292285
20	6	0	2.246309	-0.203073	0.600517
21	6	0	3.116722	0.753587	1.134791
22	6	0	2.526931	-0.787592	-0.638943
23	6	0	4.258928	1.119326	0.433480
24	1	0	2.891012	1.199754	2.095897
25	6	0	3.672958	-0.418404	-1.329316
26	1	0	1.826937	-1.503518	-1.049037
27	6	0	4.538859	0.533962	-0.797378
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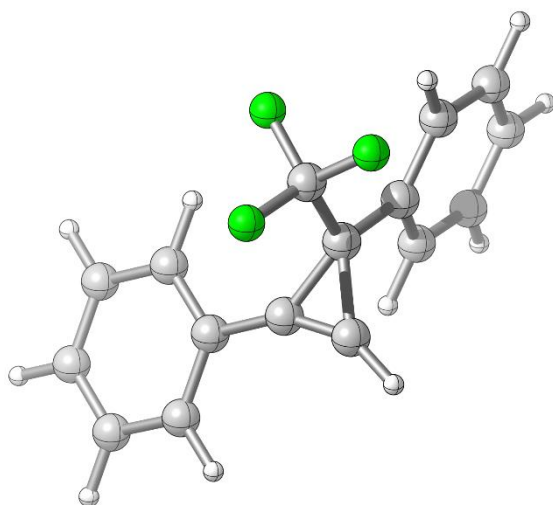
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E(RM062X) = -915.696881982

Zero-point correction=	0.225631 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.240930
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.241874
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.181170
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-915.471251
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-915.455952
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-915.455008
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-915.515712

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -915.704680369



Standard orientation:

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			X	Y	Z
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3	6	0	0.644377	0.700933	0.556375
4	1	0	0.152297	1.047978	2.927470
5	6	0	1.575074	-0.454204	0.277164
6	6	0	2.801051	-0.303240	-0.376234
7	6	0	1.199257	-1.734117	0.697055
8	6	0	3.624339	-1.402644	-0.597664
9	1	0	3.128706	0.670018	-0.716840
10	6	0	2.021546	-2.830642	0.473136
11	1	0	0.250078	-1.876160	1.201851
12	6	0	3.241338	-2.669799	-0.175491
13	1	0	4.572537	-1.262281	-1.103289
14	1	0	1.705714	-3.812833	0.804649
15	1	0	3.885427	-3.522978	-0.351420
16	6	0	0.923358	1.979913	-0.202416
17	9	0	-0.032510	2.894709	-0.006399
18	9	0	2.086633	2.554558	0.161873
19	9	0	0.997371	1.771816	-1.531226
20	6	0	-2.012844	-0.061630	0.332187
21	6	0	-3.164650	-0.223758	1.108665

22	6	0	-2.033122	-0.393885	-1.024569
23	6	0	-4.325044	-0.714209	0.528301
24	1	0	-3.140135	0.039100	2.160115
25	6	0	-3.197549	-0.886875	-1.599787
26	1	0	-1.131494	-0.264130	-1.613581
27	6	0	-4.342170	-1.046440	-0.825281
28	1	0	-5.218931	-0.837435	1.127846
29	1	0	-3.212287	-1.144899	-2.651815
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TS (IV) a

Gas phase:

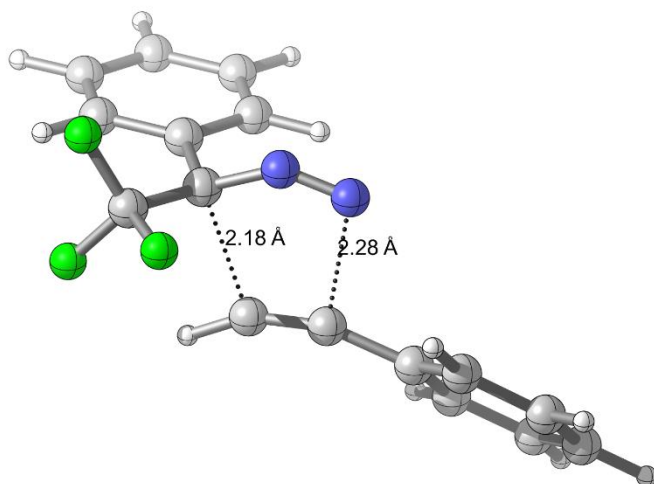
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Zero-point correction=	0.232465 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.249985
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.250929
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.184792
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1024.862229
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1024.844709
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1024.843765
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1024.909902

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -1025.10234082

1 imaginary frequency= -496.6



Standard orientation:

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3	1	0	0.244395	-0.188871	2.036347

4	6	0	1.217174	-0.598927	-0.252751
5	7	0	0.351769	-0.692680	-1.283761
6	7	0	-0.752527	-0.590941	-1.551642
7	6	0	1.742079	-1.950488	0.162473
8	6	0	2.100812	0.590679	-0.218610
9	6	0	1.606174	1.812908	-0.689699
10	6	0	3.381557	0.540958	0.335880
11	6	0	2.384975	2.957074	-0.620736
12	1	0	0.604052	1.866701	-1.100938
13	6	0	4.151861	1.697066	0.413895
14	1	0	3.788859	-0.390559	0.706823
15	6	0	3.661957	2.904321	-0.066610
16	1	0	1.991976	3.894990	-0.994482
17	1	0	5.144029	1.644877	0.845687
18	1	0	4.268416	3.800228	-0.011302
19	6	0	-2.854296	0.146086	0.328409
20	6	0	-3.642755	-0.740113	-0.413073
21	6	0	-3.444215	1.295249	0.869412
22	6	0	-4.996552	-0.489459	-0.592594
23	1	0	-3.186109	-1.622656	-0.843939
24	6	0	-4.795370	1.548499	0.672277
25	1	0	-2.832804	1.979677	1.445201
26	6	0	-5.576678	0.655929	-0.055154
27	1	0	-5.599434	-1.186848	-1.162041
28	1	0	-5.239935	2.442609	1.093191
29	1	0	-6.631586	0.852463	-0.204531
30	9	0	2.836588	-2.335652	-0.516482
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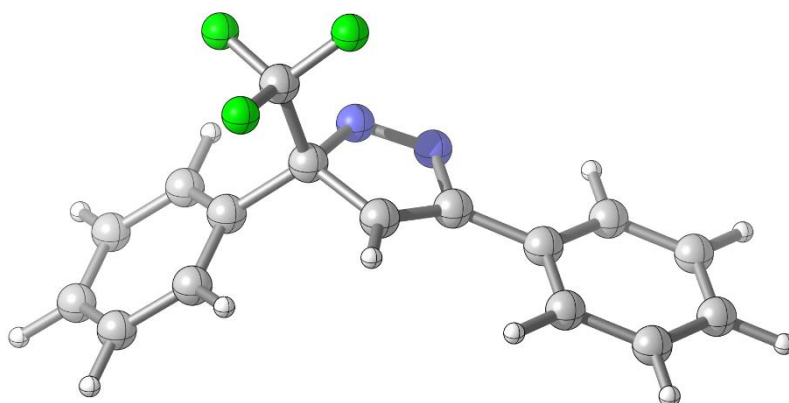
Gas phase

E(RM062X) = -1025.20182903

Zero-point correction=	0.237445 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.252978
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.253923
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.192793
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1024.964384
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1024.948851
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1024.947907
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1025.009036

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -1025.21090129



Standard orientation:

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
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3	1	0	-0.368069	-0.153897	-1.731600
4	6	0	0.894817	0.483503	0.071317
5	7	0	0.385741	0.712148	1.450166
6	7	0	-0.827428	0.474581	1.499345
7	6	0	-2.760436	-0.251082	0.075737
8	6	0	-3.620885	-0.072191	1.162044
9	6	0	-3.275001	-0.732053	-1.133005
10	6	0	-4.973904	-0.366409	1.035662
11	1	0	-3.222839	0.297920	2.098201
12	6	0	-4.624934	-1.023288	-1.254662
13	1	0	-2.614866	-0.881991	-1.979678
14	6	0	-5.479314	-0.840330	-0.169227
15	1	0	-5.634536	-0.223748	1.882335
16	1	0	-5.013096	-1.395186	-2.195395
17	1	0	-6.534126	-1.068570	-0.264832
18	6	0	1.419386	1.836779	-0.429060
19	9	0	0.478246	2.782710	-0.370696
20	9	0	1.806536	1.733045	-1.708864
21	9	0	2.463698	2.258481	0.280100
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23	6	0	2.823890	-0.665158	1.231291
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26	1	0	2.620014	-0.051465	2.098998
27	6	0	3.346383	-2.223330	-1.015118
28	1	0	1.689631	-1.213701	-1.922957
29	6	0	4.135099	-2.358673	0.121861
30	1	0	4.485753	-1.675464	2.129501
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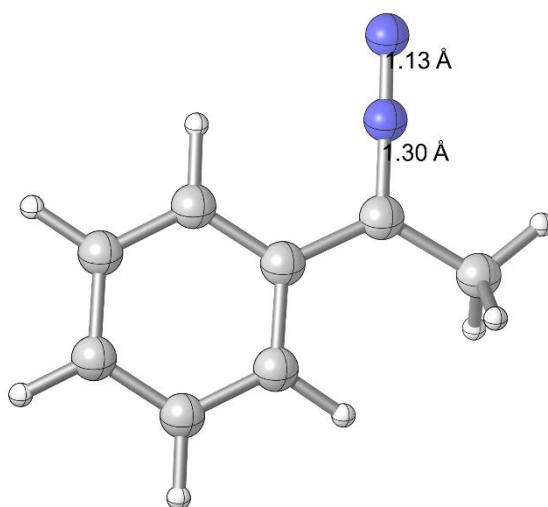
Gas phase:

E(RM062X) = -419.042113954

Zero-point correction=	0.144065 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.152807
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.153752
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.110036
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-418.898049
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-418.889306
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-418.888362
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-418.932078

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -419.046999628



Standard orientation:

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-2.312847	1.015420	0.000213
2	6	0	-0.937707	1.217169	0.000228
3	6	0	-0.056357	0.127517	0.000030
4	6	0	-0.597722	-1.167641	-0.000179
5	6	0	-1.970826	-1.359376	-0.000190
6	6	0	-2.839681	-0.270633	0.000004
7	1	0	-2.975062	1.873433	0.000364
8	1	0	-0.549384	2.228364	0.000393
9	1	0	0.058770	-2.030995	-0.000331
10	1	0	-2.365723	-2.368596	-0.000355
11	1	0	-3.911451	-0.425239	-0.000006
12	6	0	1.384423	0.372151	0.000044
13	6	0	2.008743	1.739845	0.000252
14	7	0	2.175398	-0.658106	-0.000153
15	7	0	2.847926	-1.570269	-0.000331
16	1	0	1.707889	2.306252	-0.885523
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TS (I-II)b

Gas phase:

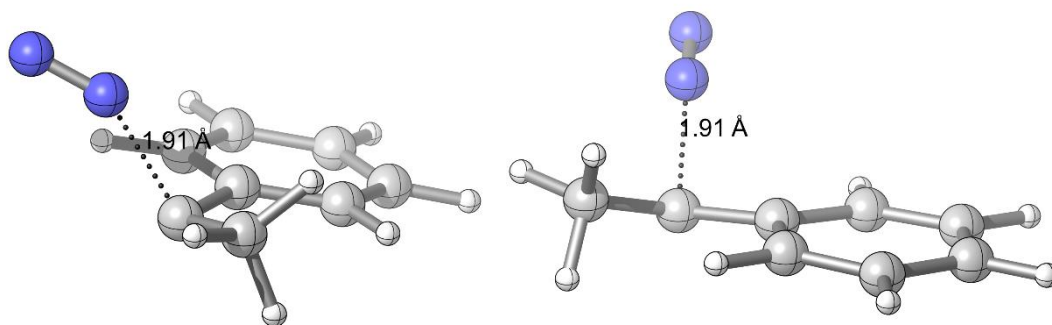
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Zero-point correction=	0.255172 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.270818
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.271762
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.209134
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-727.100547
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-727.084900
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-727.083956
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-727.146584

PCM:

E (RM062X) = -727.363862164

1 imaginary frequency= -365.8



Standard orientation:

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-1.298246	0.532184	0.634047
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3	7	0	-2.977098	-1.591724	-0.420144
4	6	0	-1.845552	1.828952	0.126544
5	6	0	0.088129	0.213389	0.250707
6	6	0	0.995847	1.200980	-0.159785
7	6	0	0.575611	-1.090795	0.446522
8	6	0	2.340128	0.896579	-0.356708
9	1	0	0.658730	2.219919	-0.307926
10	6	0	1.900262	-1.405073	0.199034
11	1	0	-0.109910	-1.852772	0.802070
12	6	0	2.792331	-0.406321	-0.195249
13	1	0	3.030210	1.678200	-0.652533
14	1	0	2.251391	-2.420773	0.337638
15	1	0	3.835552	-0.644902	-0.365639
16	1	0	-2.932655	1.861506	0.205168
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18	1	0	-1.467123	2.567891	0.845124

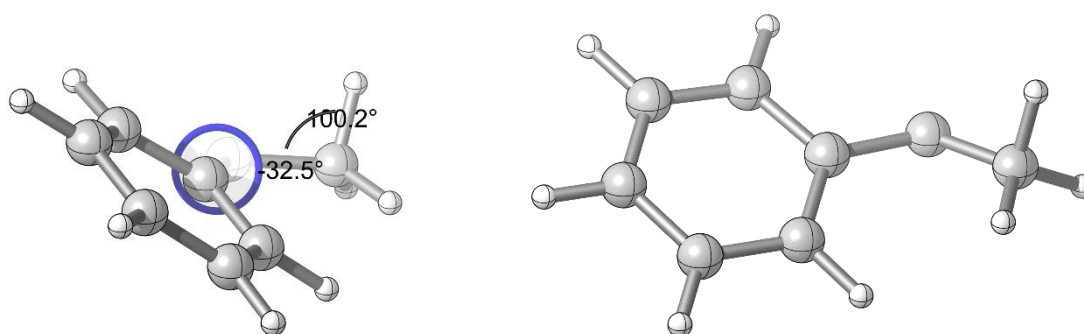
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E (RM062X) = -309.476157176

Zero-point correction=	0.131015 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.138168
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.139112
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.099627
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-309.345142
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-309.337989
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-309.337045
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-309.376530

PCM:

E (RM062X) = -309.482093118



Standard orientation:

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			X	Y	Z
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4	6	0	-0.048041	1.058619	-0.147324
5	6	0	0.452549	-1.306126	-0.053065
6	6	0	1.304712	1.344016	-0.043505
7	1	0	-0.754761	1.871295	-0.264520
8	6	0	1.797129	-1.017432	0.127305
9	1	0	0.098425	-2.328819	-0.109561
10	6	0	2.224169	0.308392	0.117214
11	1	0	1.648091	2.371498	-0.072058
12	1	0	2.517956	-1.818685	0.237783
13	1	0	3.279106	0.536131	0.219776
14	1	0	-3.097178	-0.242291	1.204683
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TS (IV)b

Gas phase:

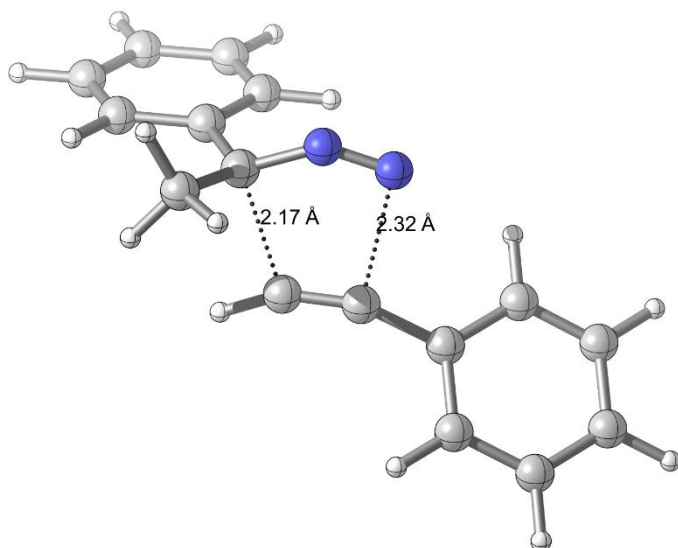
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Zero-point correction=	0.255172 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.270818
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Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.209134
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-727.100547
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-727.084900
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-727.083956
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-727.146584

PCM:

E(RM062X) = -727.363862164

1 imaginary frequency= -498.8



Standard orientation:

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
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7	6	0	1.649340	2.607244	0.473481
8	6	0	2.493696	0.170634	0.171708
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10	6	0	3.656931	0.630318	-0.449746
11	6	0	3.329315	-2.092862	-0.010960
12	1	0	1.435612	-1.581459	0.848206
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IVb

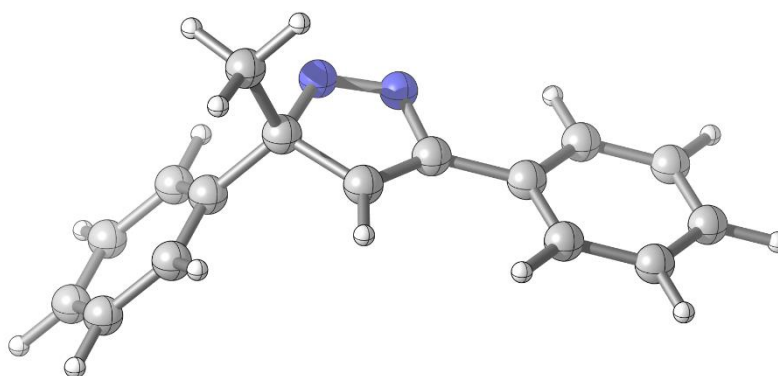
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Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.217737
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-727.198973
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-727.184667
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PCM:

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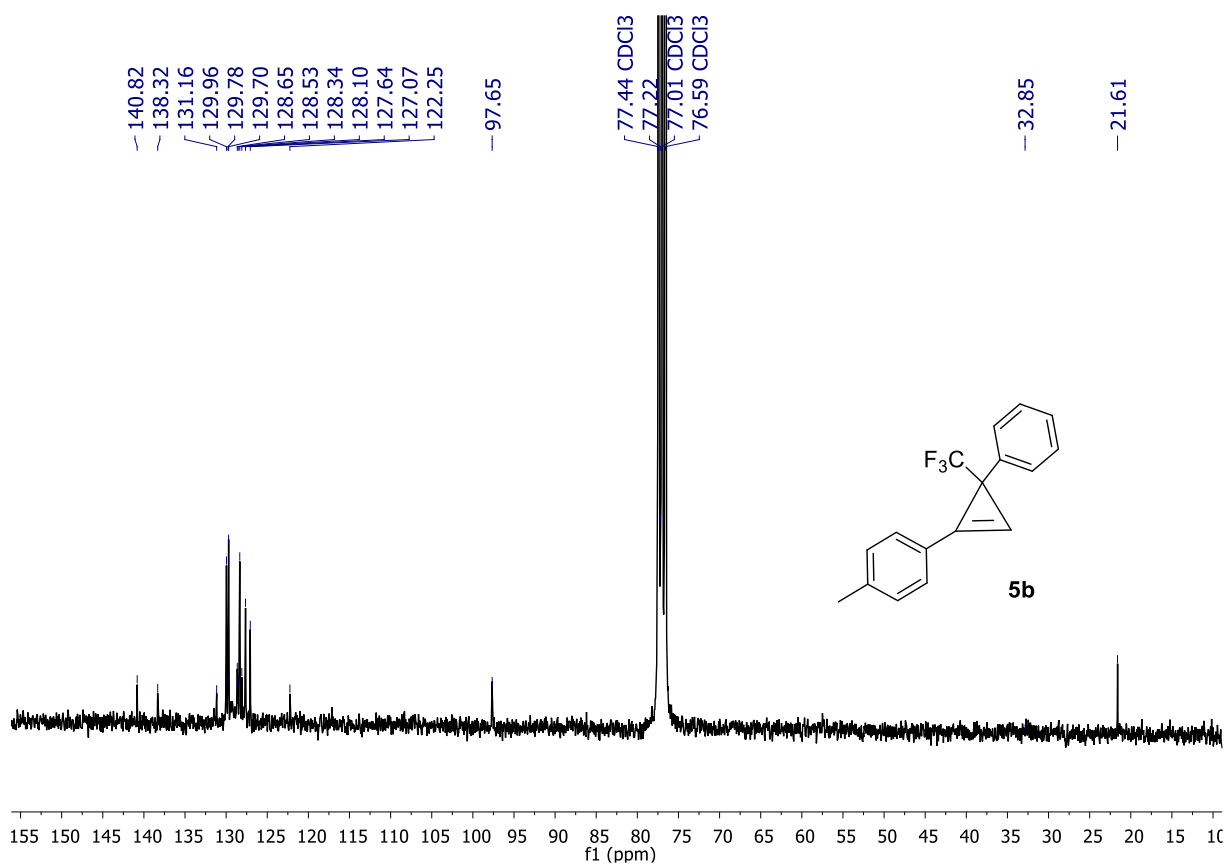
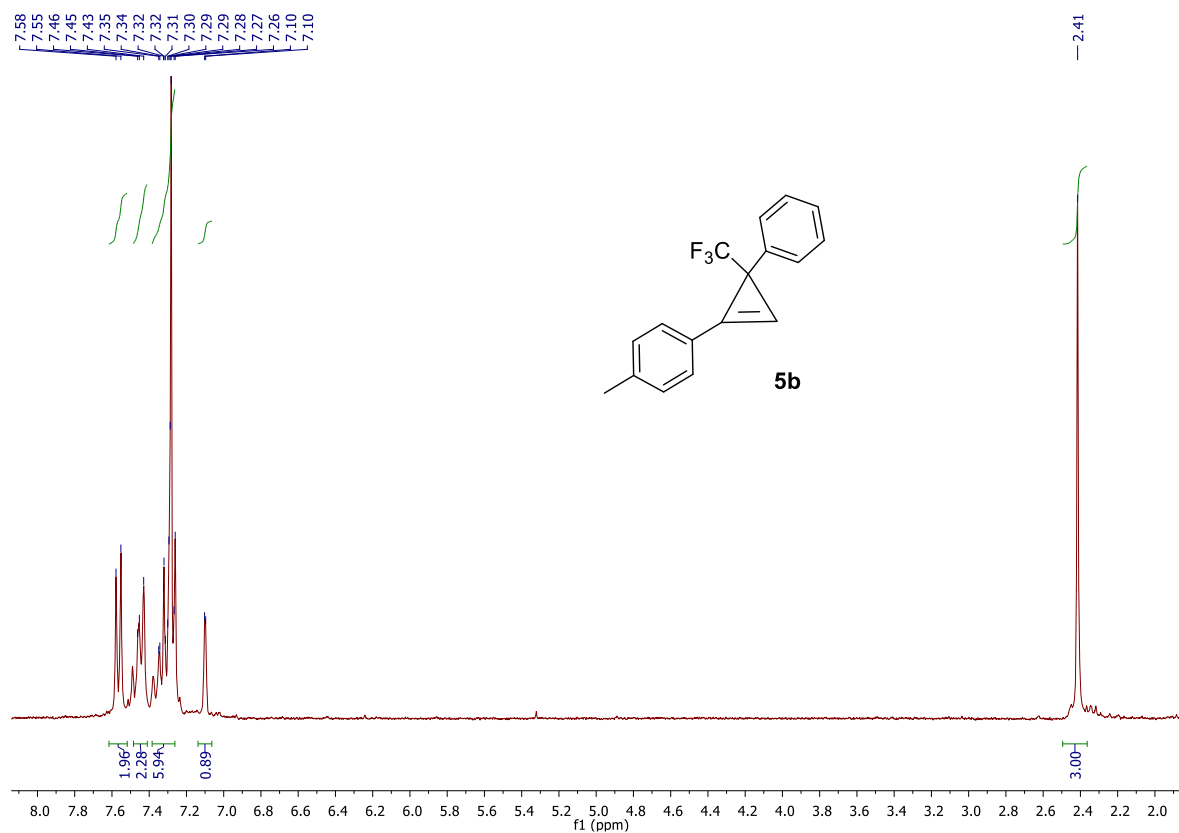
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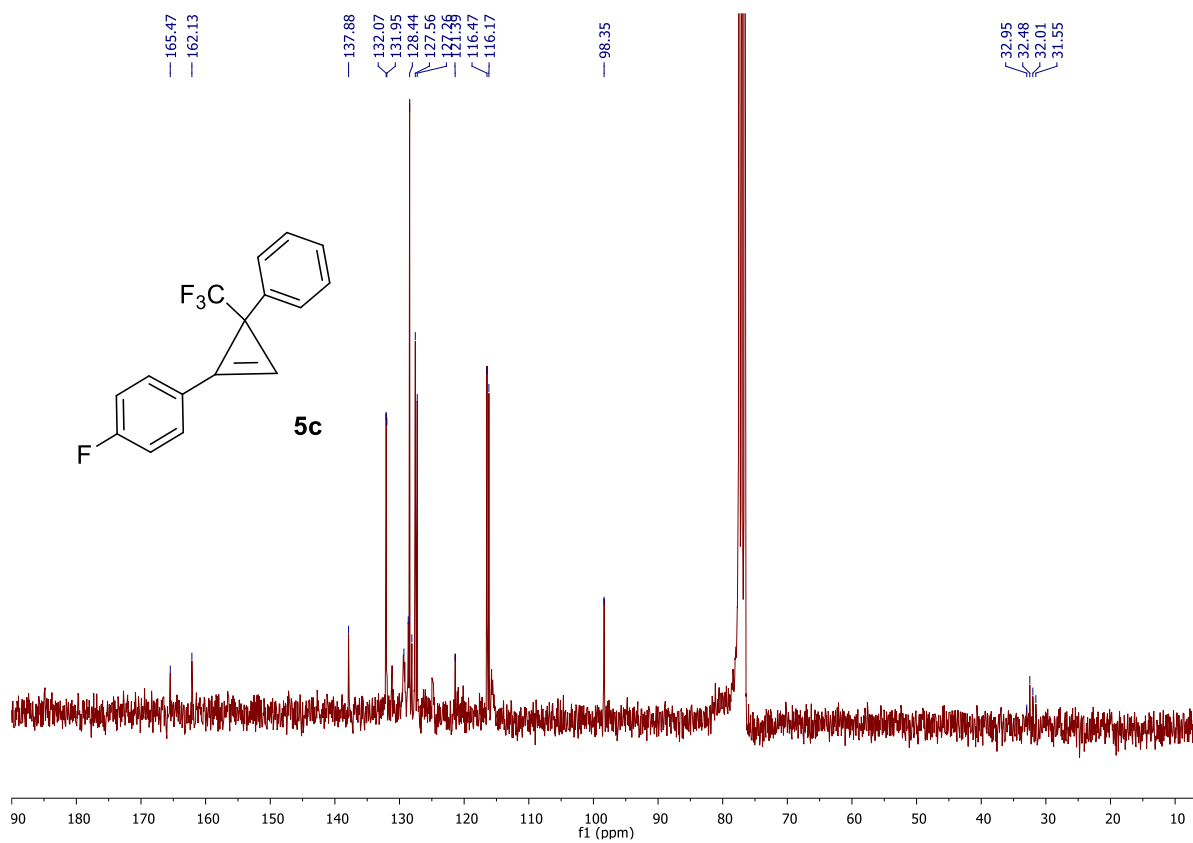
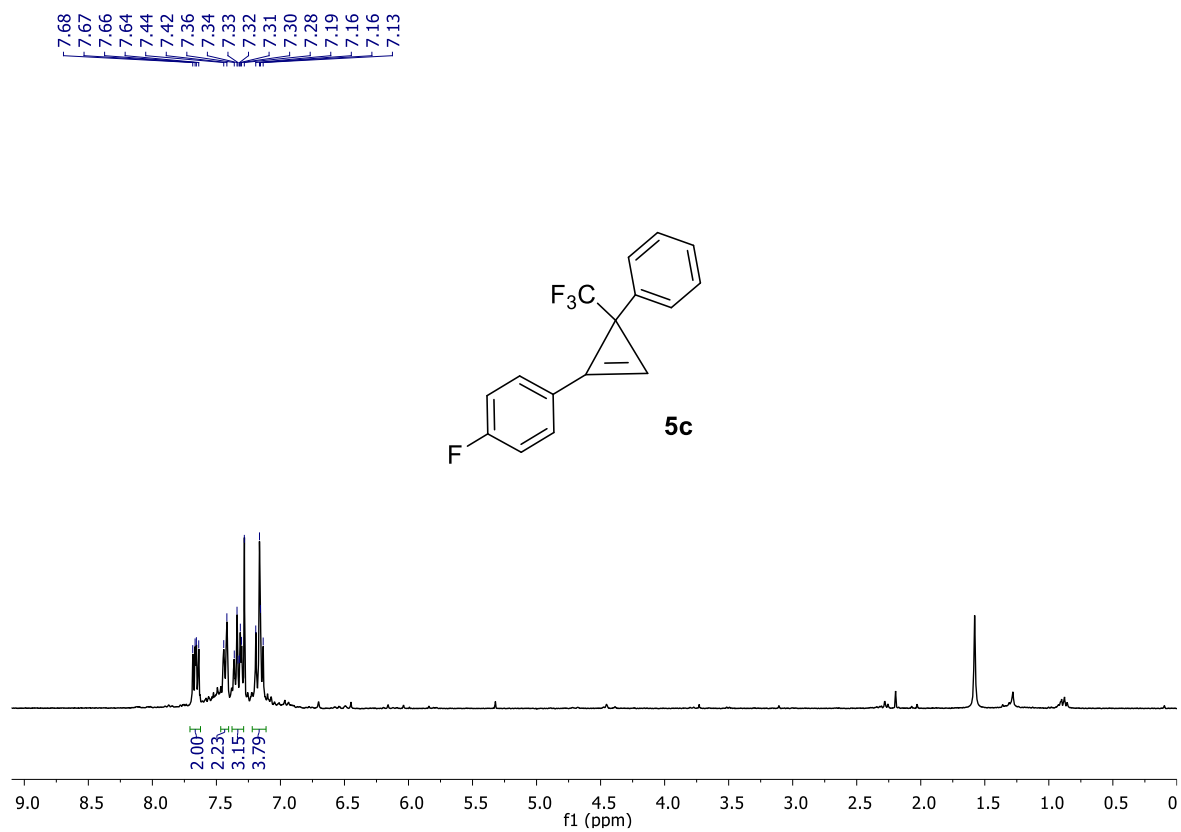
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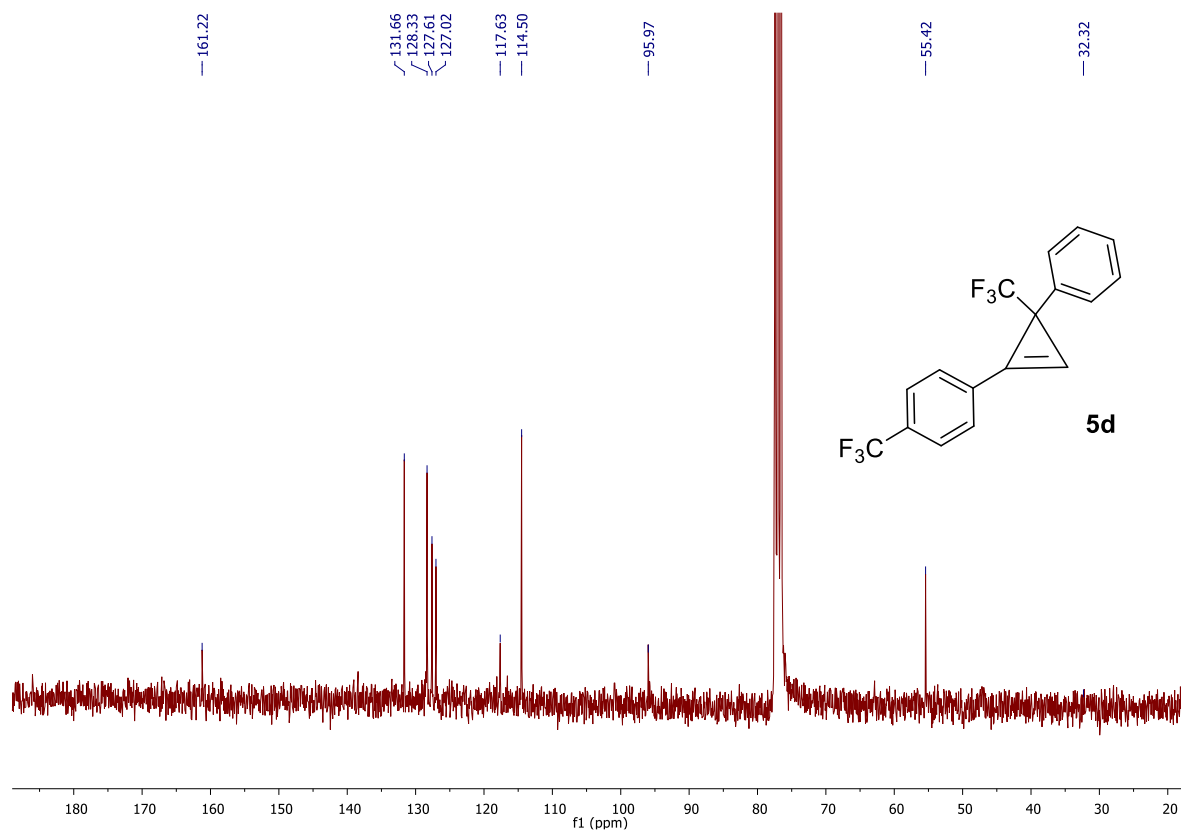
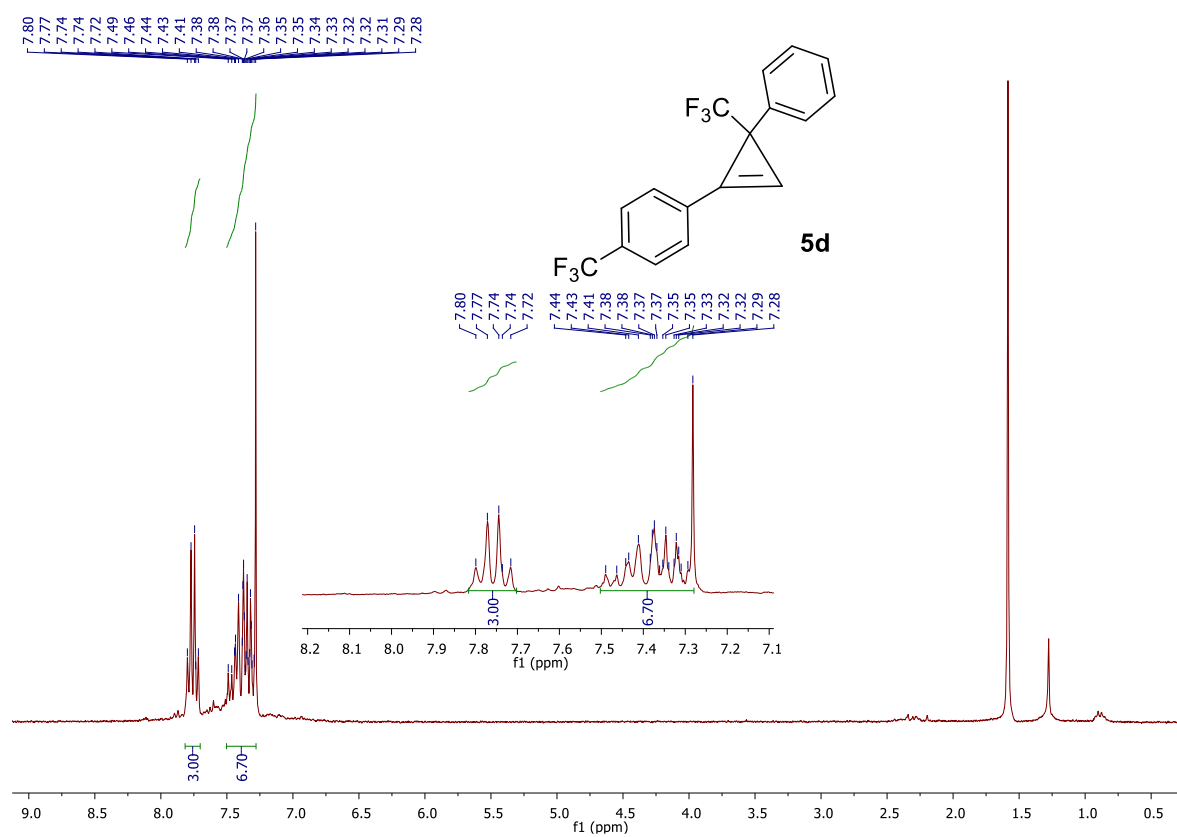
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7	6	0	1.517281	-1.308247	2.149936
8	1	0	2.299488	-2.052575	1.997816
9	1	0	1.896638	-0.524682	2.807200
10	1	0	0.651467	-1.781529	2.616638
11	6	0	2.329088	-0.066109	0.111460
12	6	0	2.922828	-0.633759	-1.014487
13	6	0	2.872106	1.102417	0.650098
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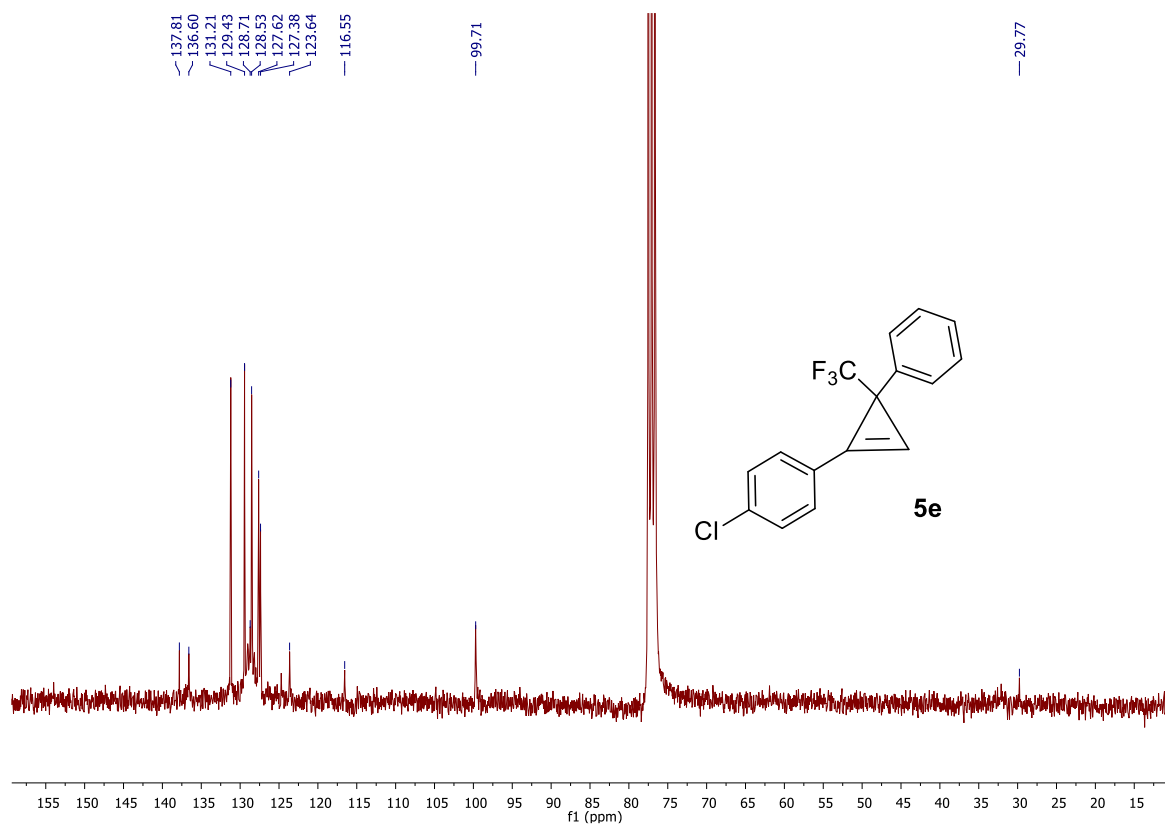
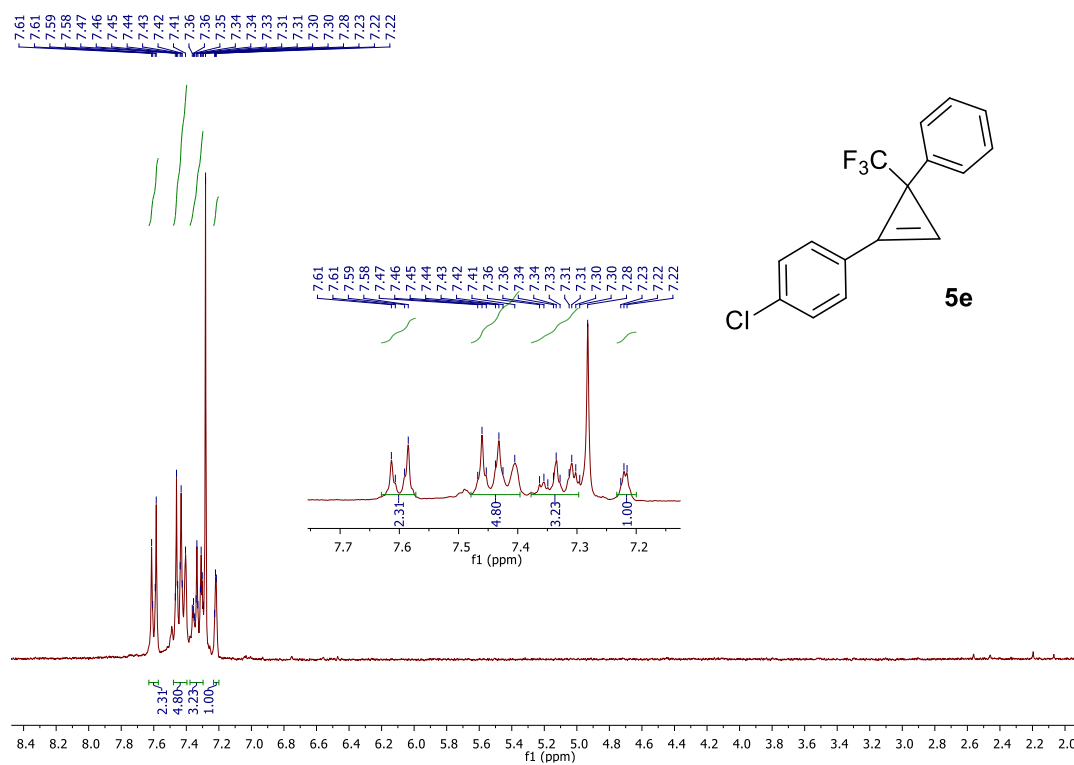
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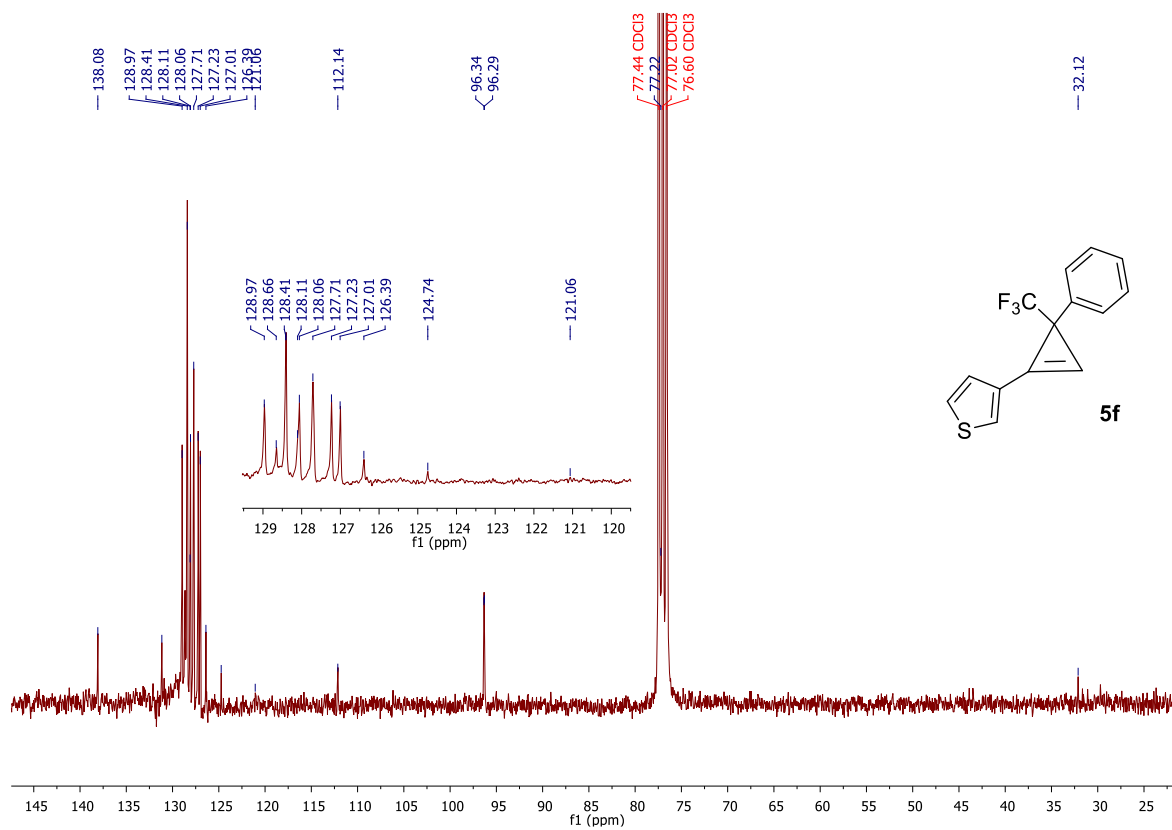
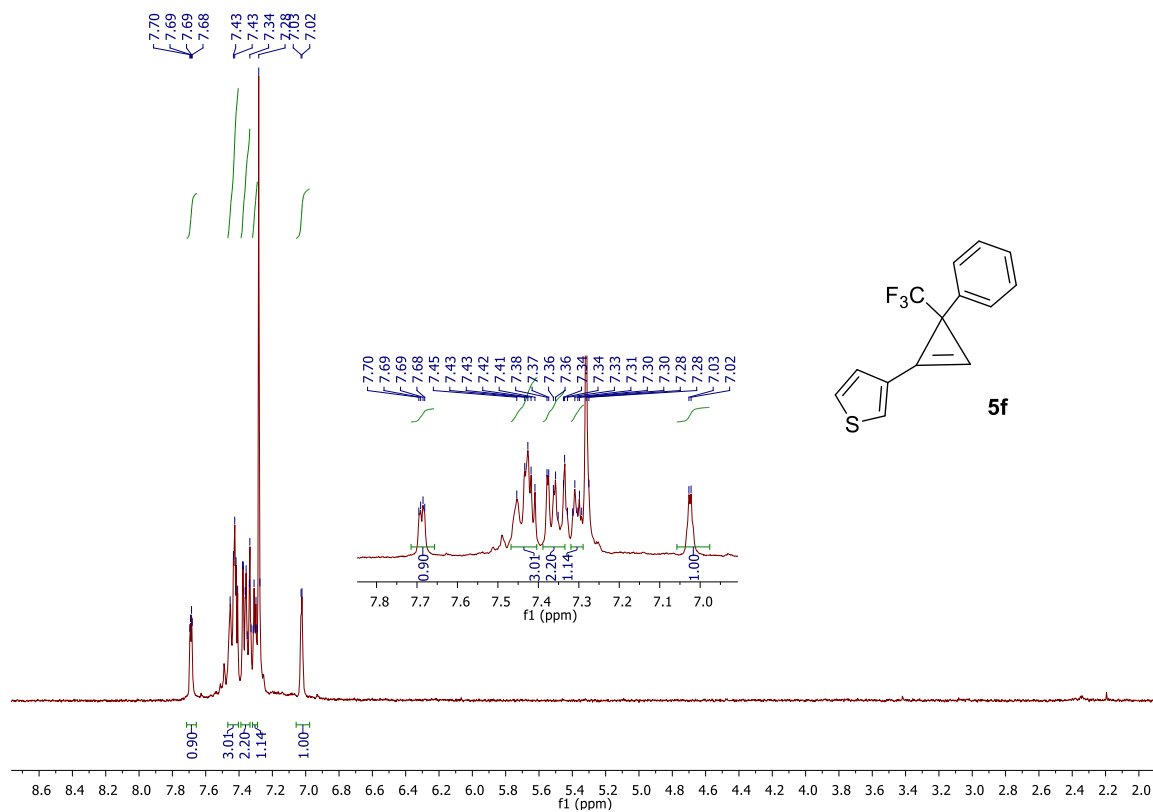
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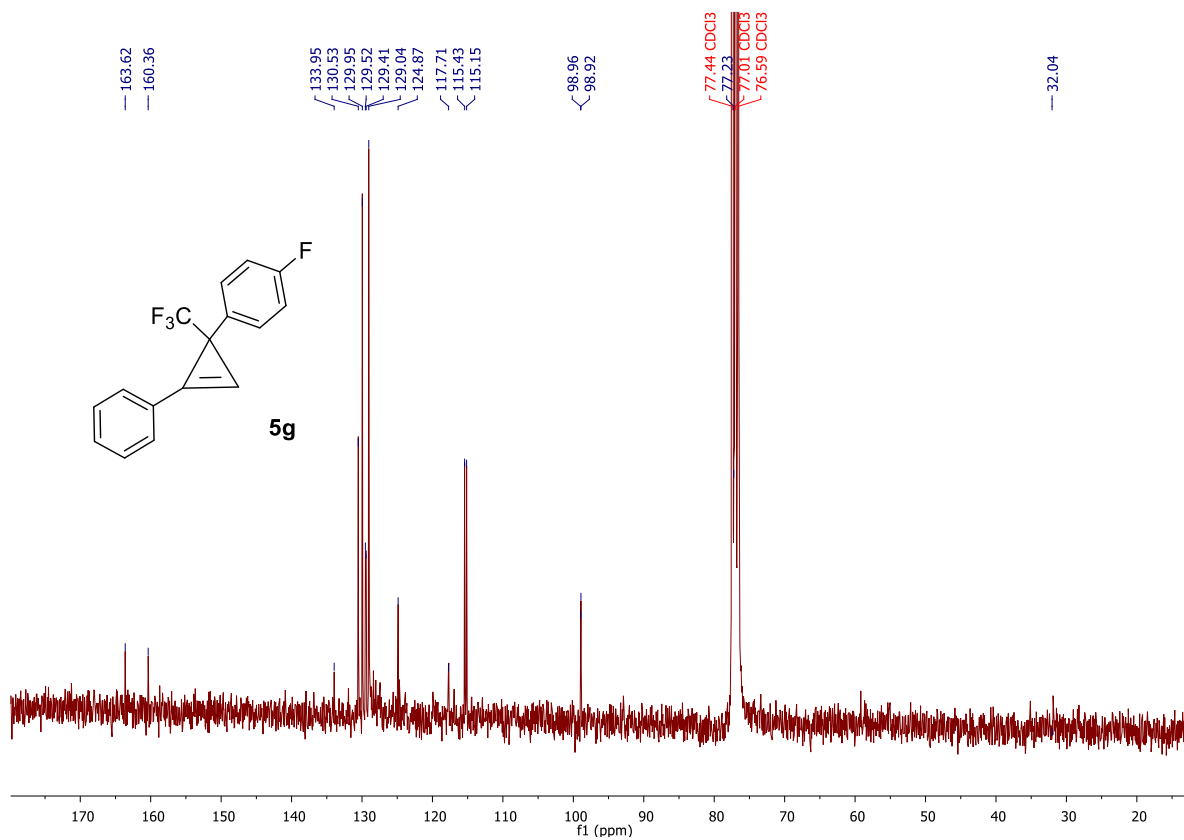
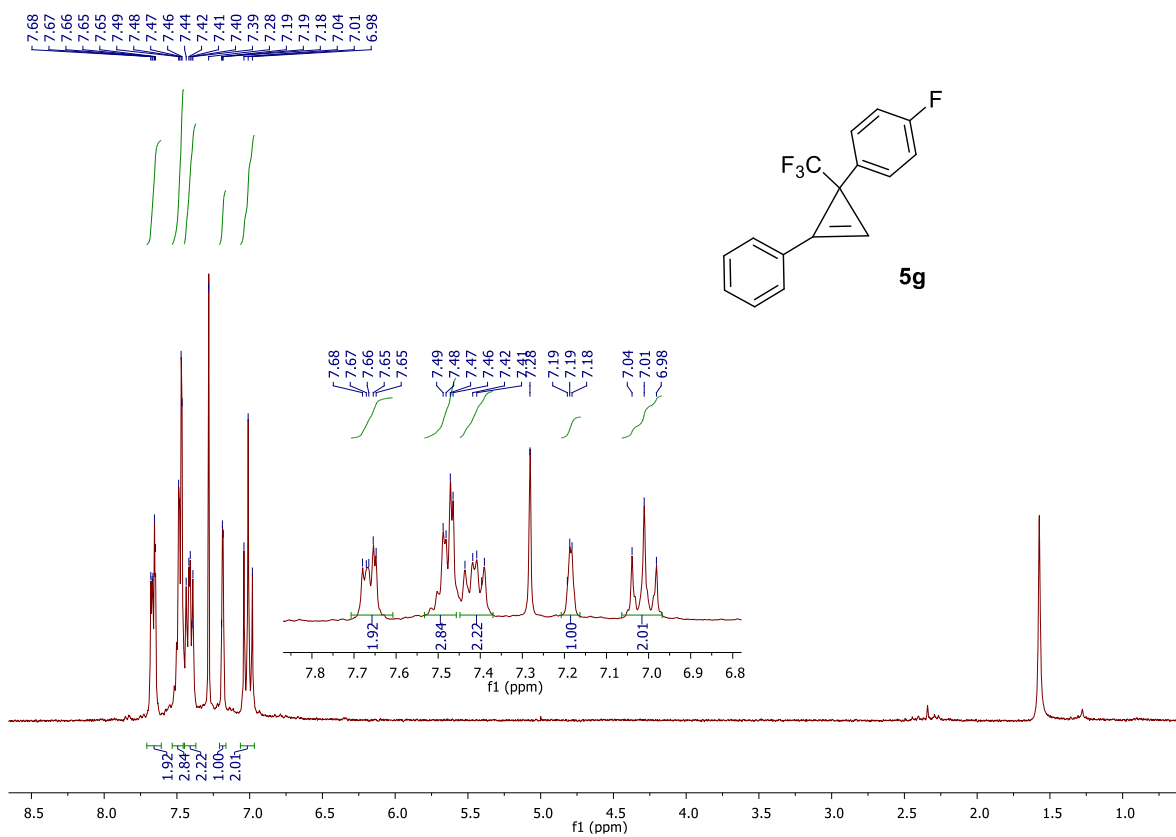


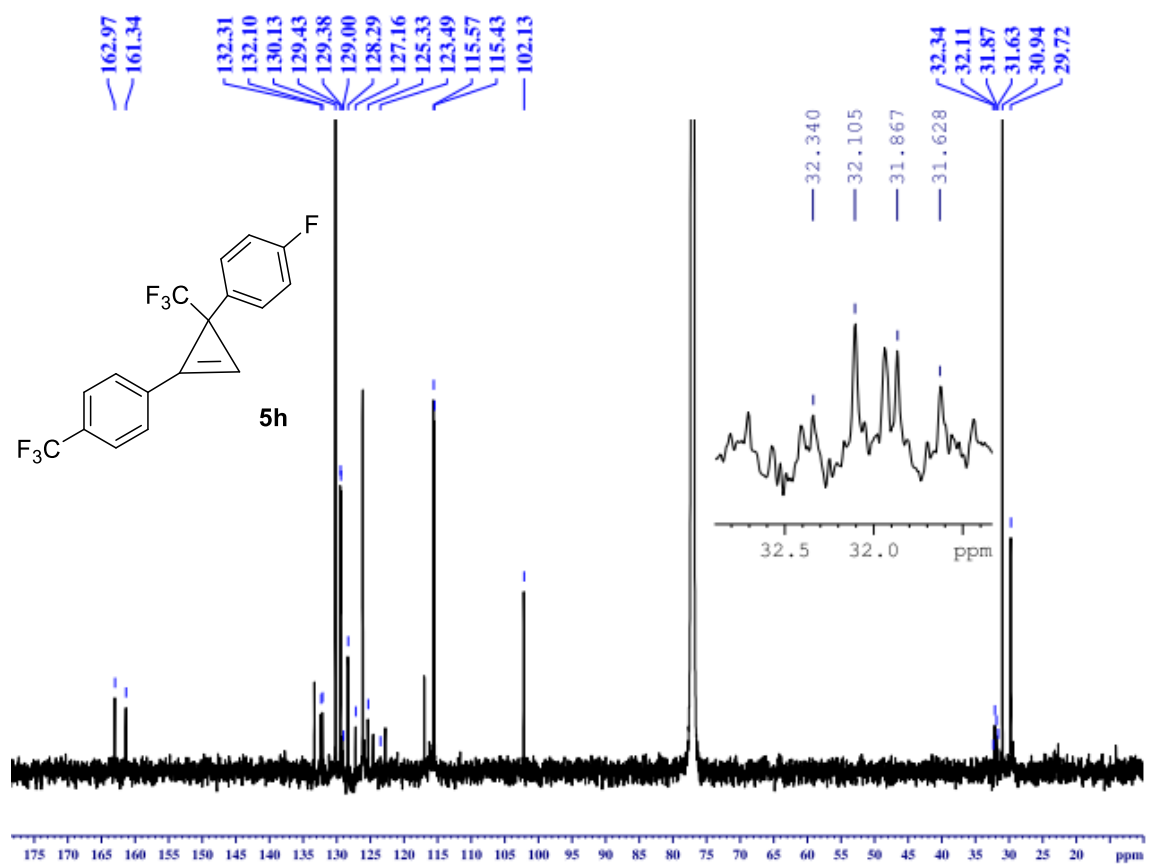
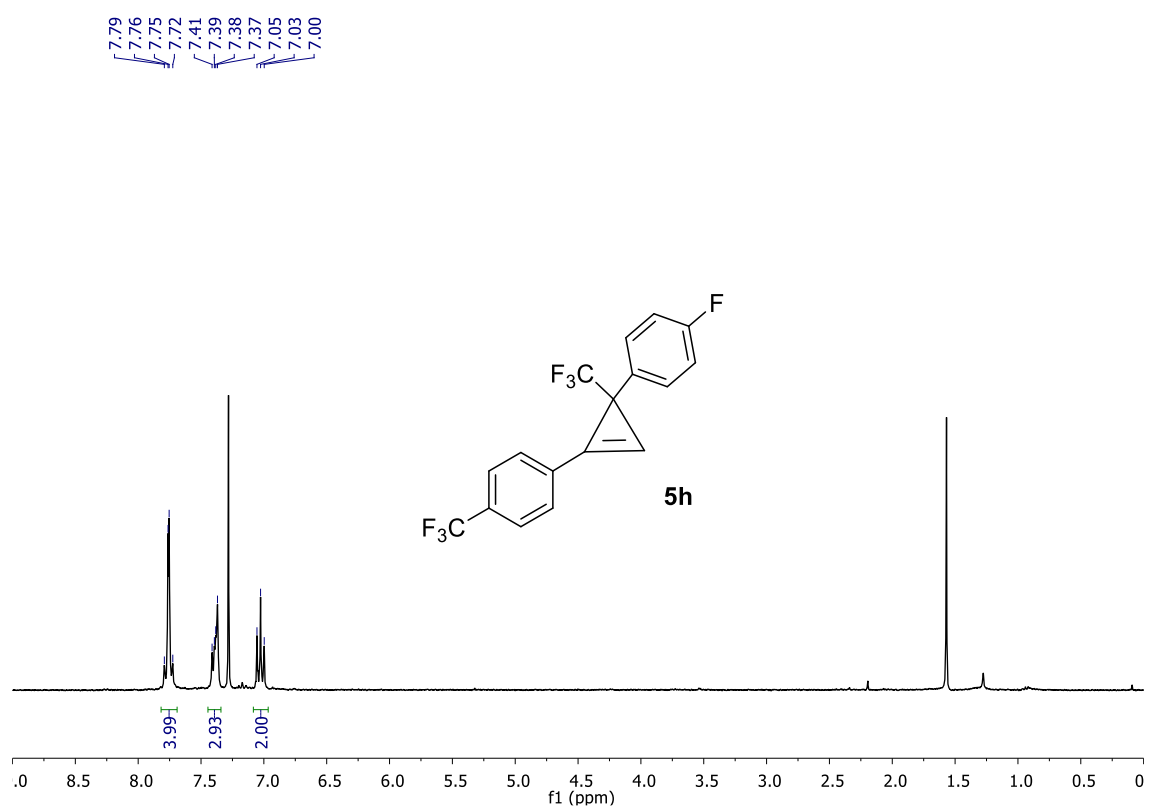


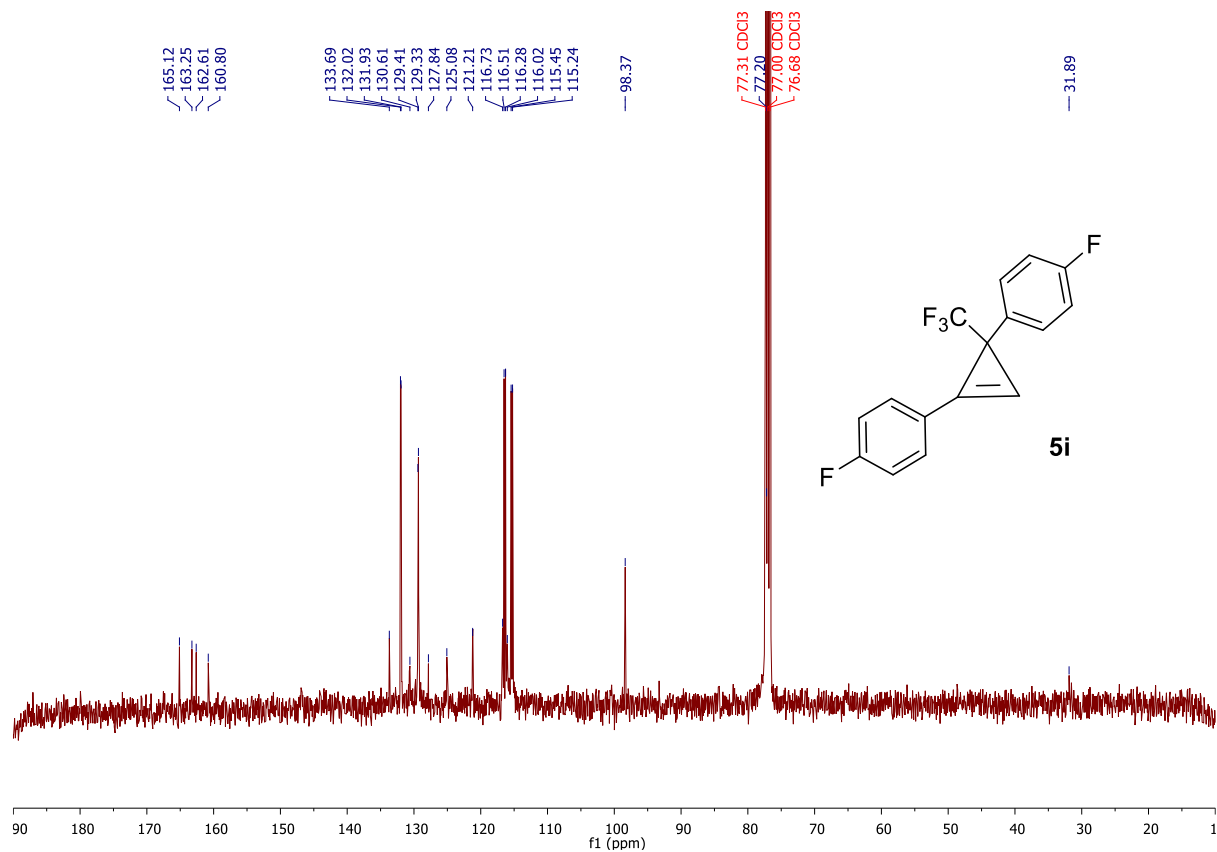
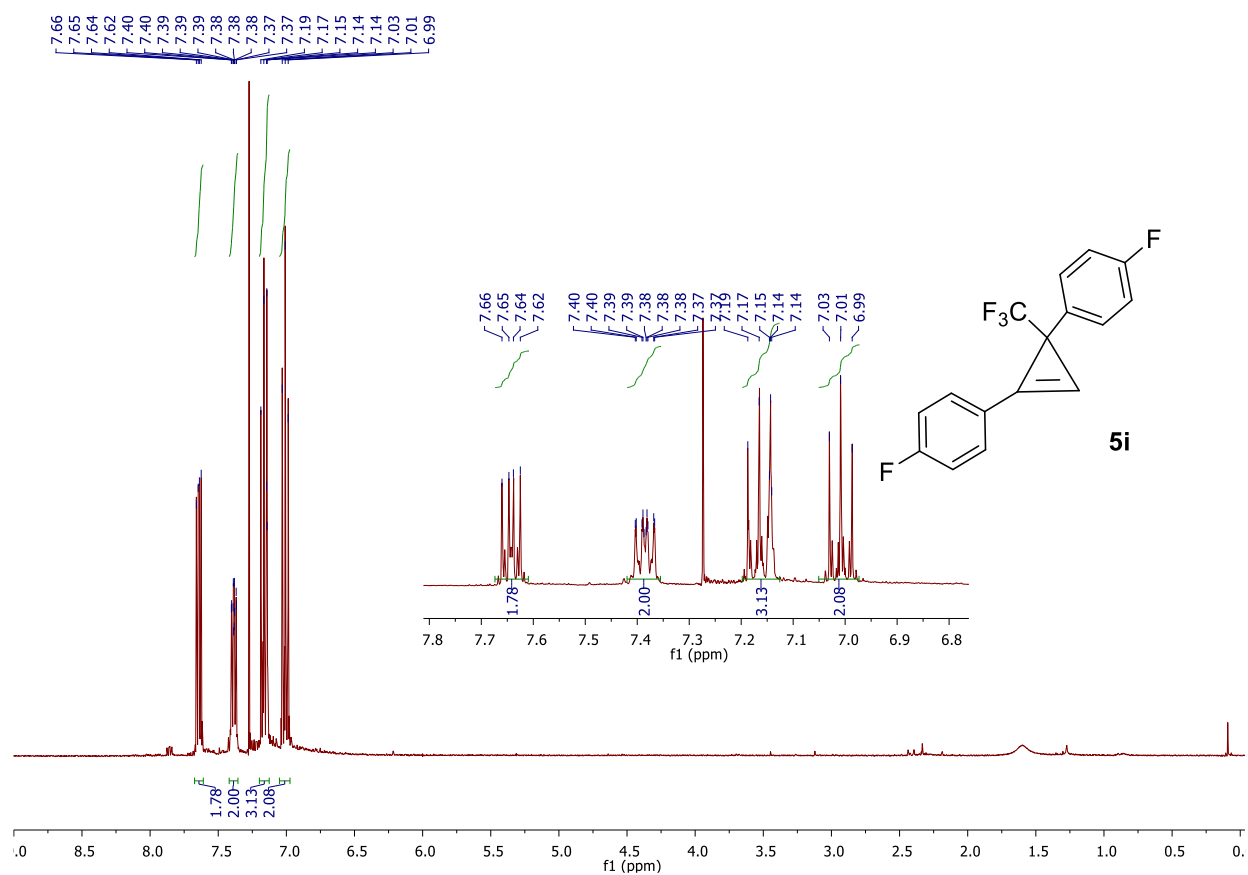


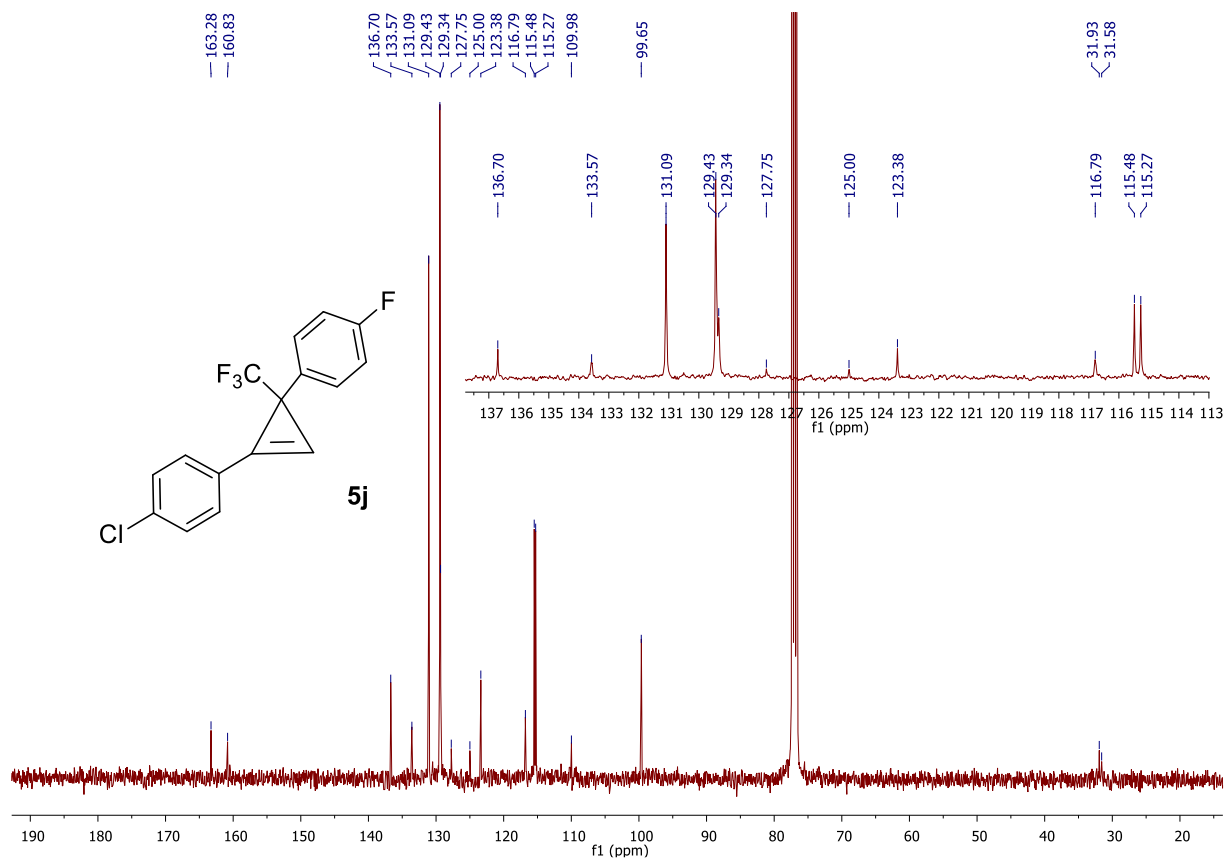
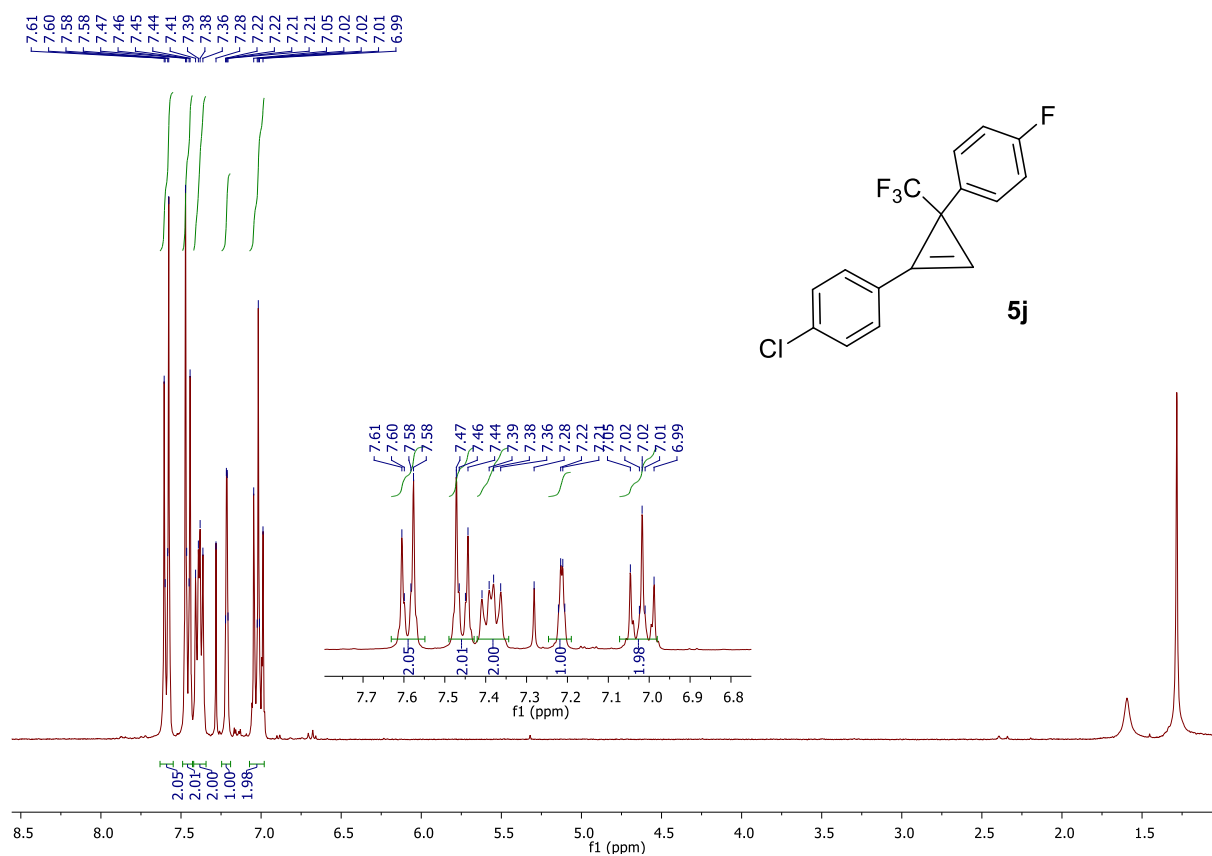


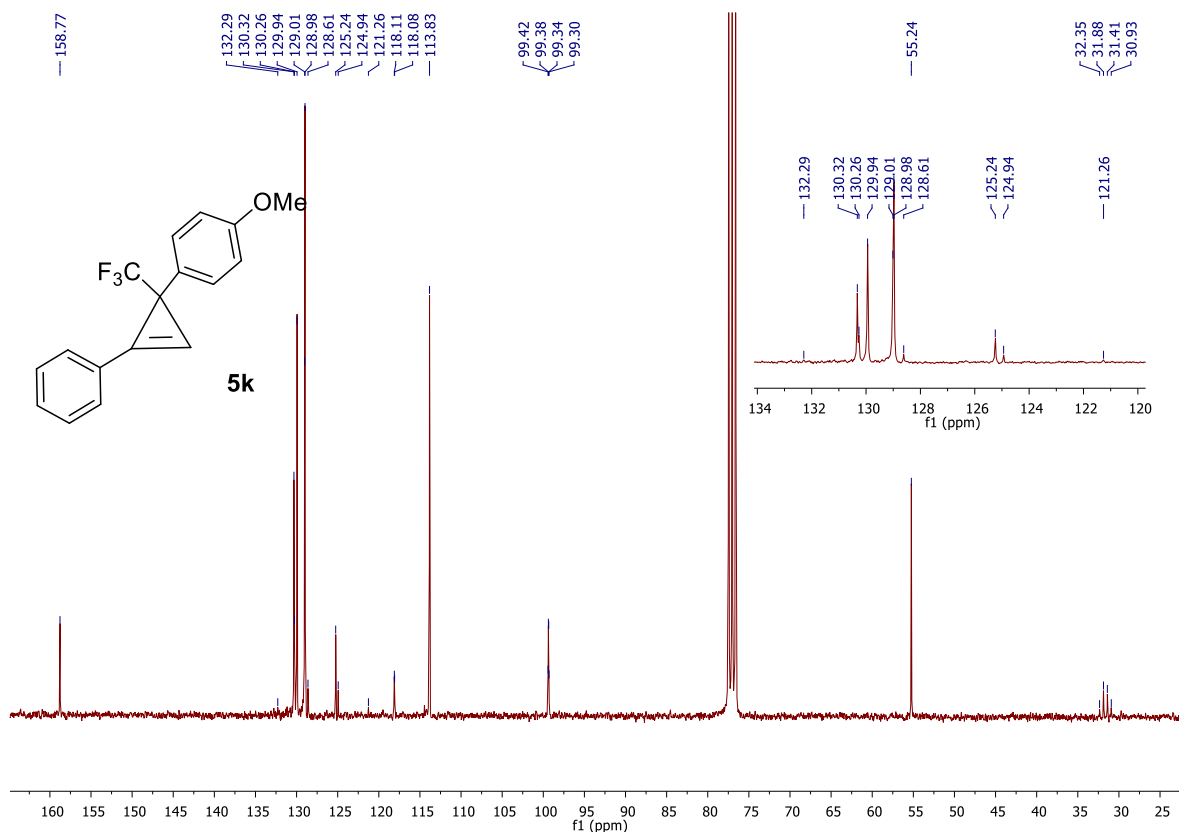
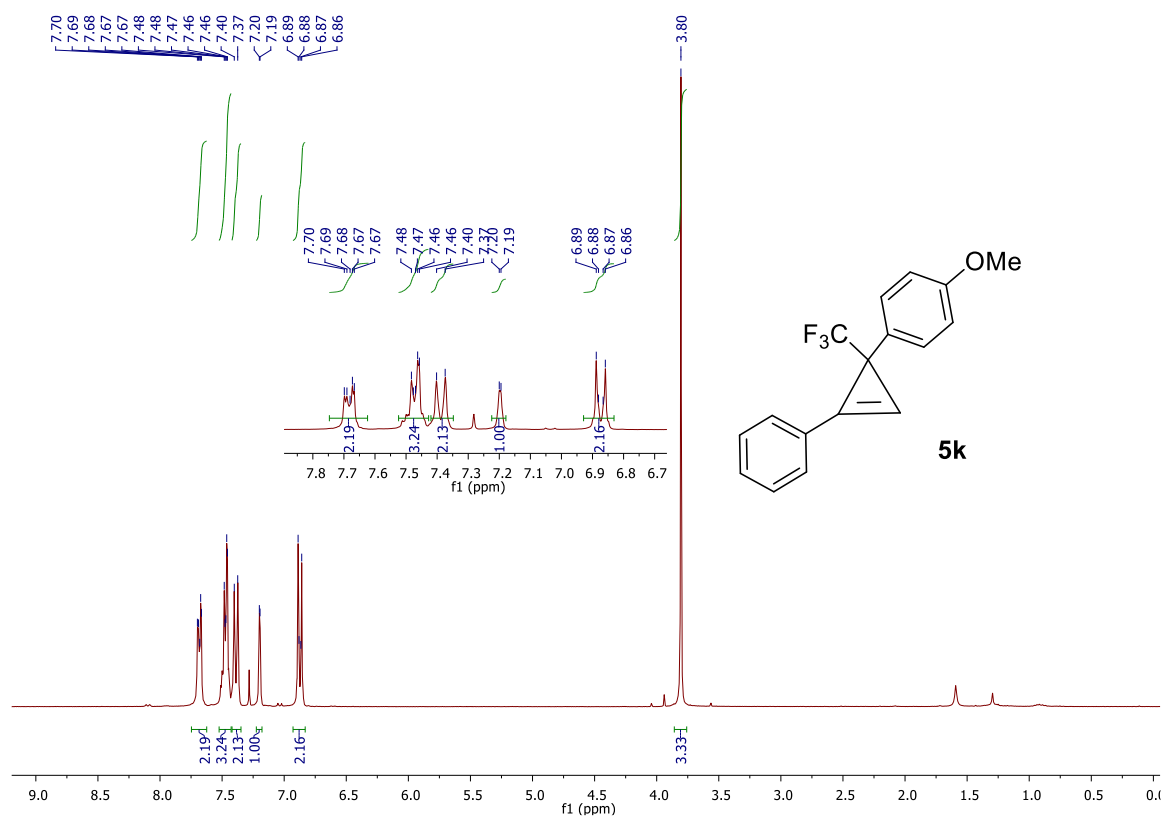


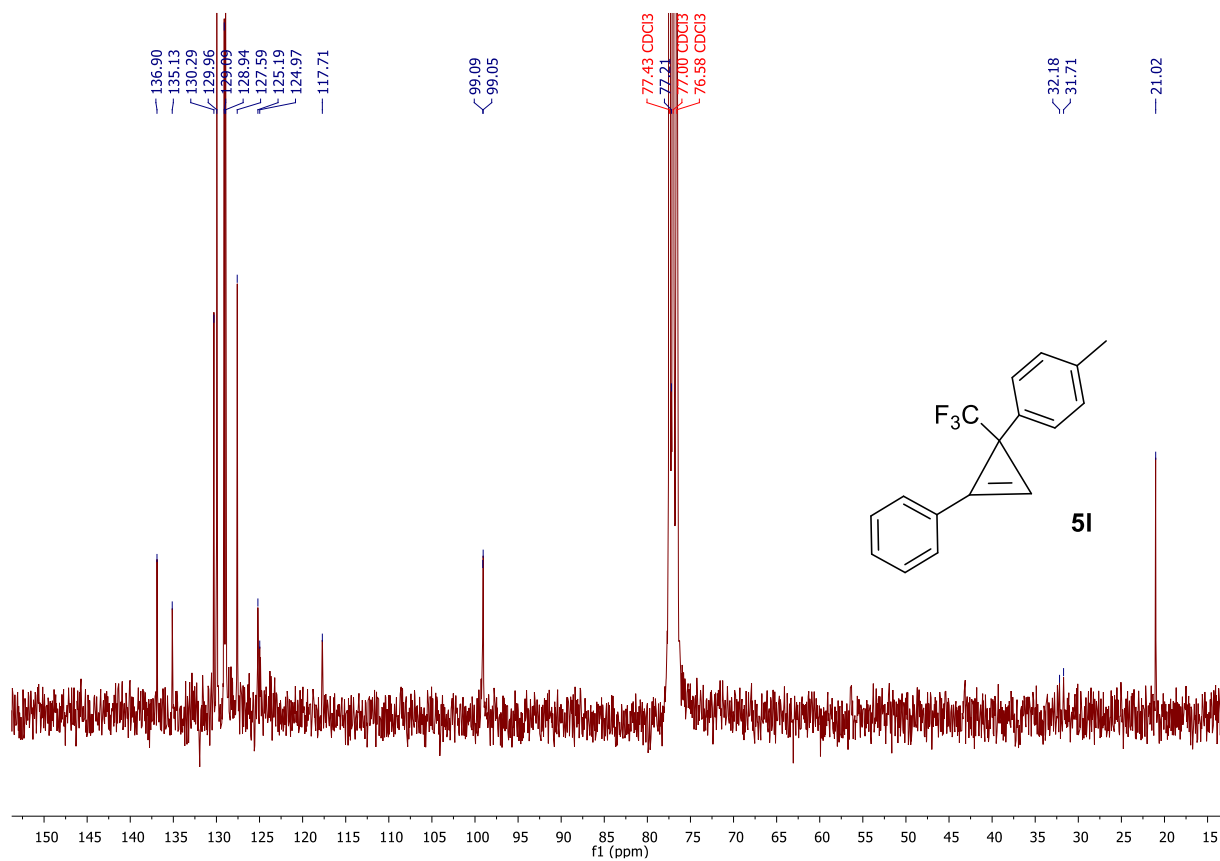
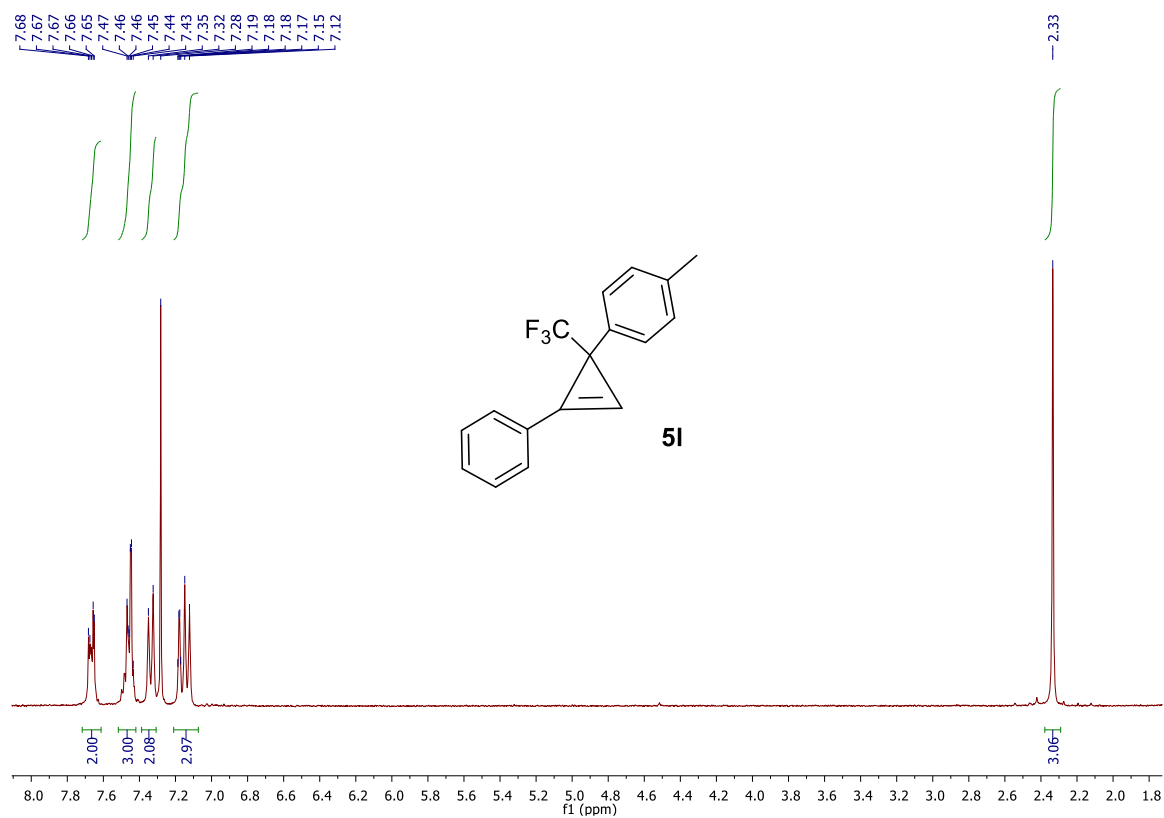


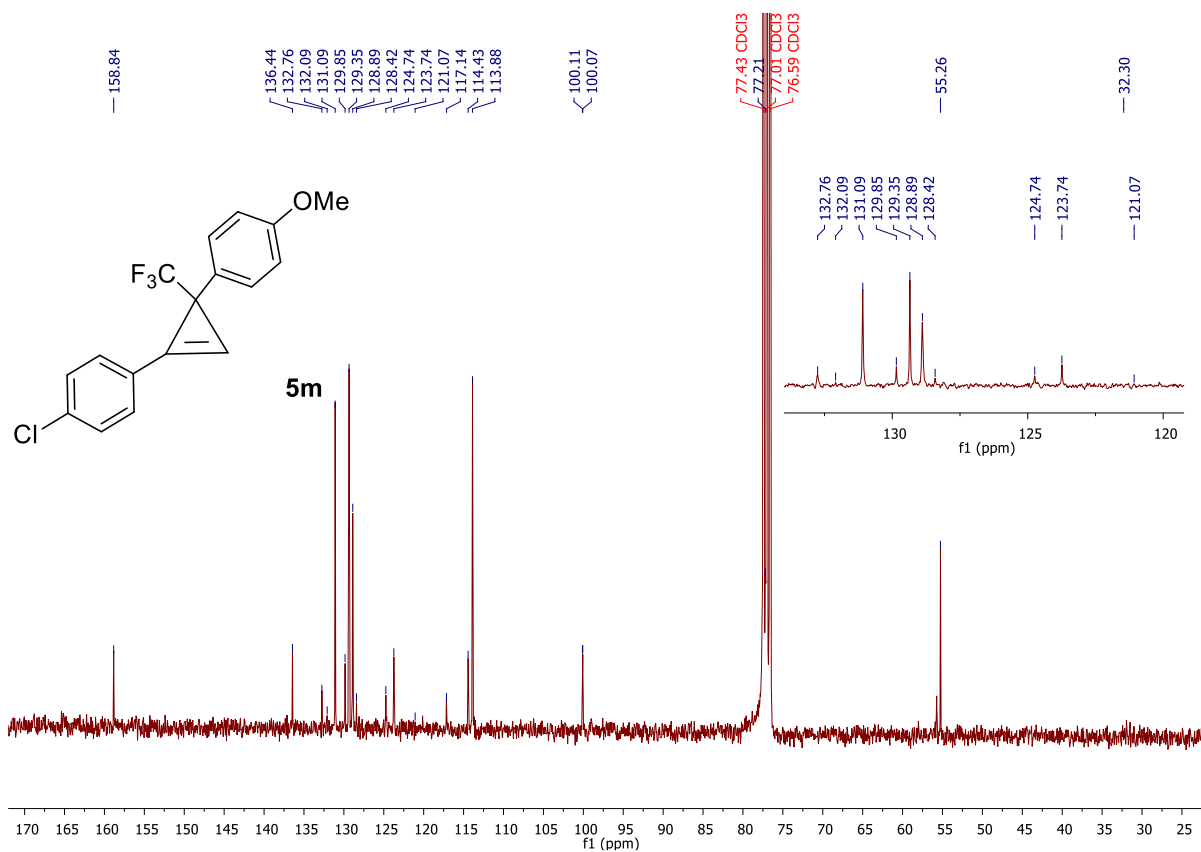
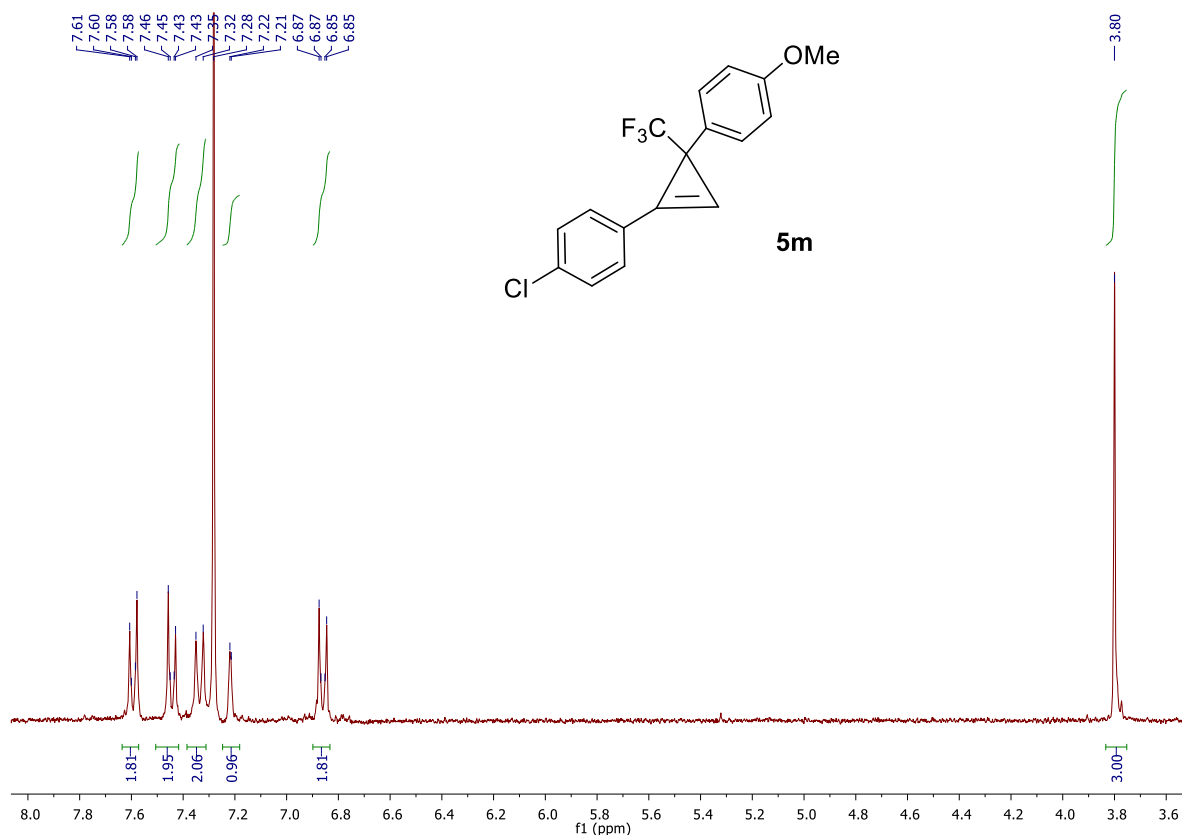




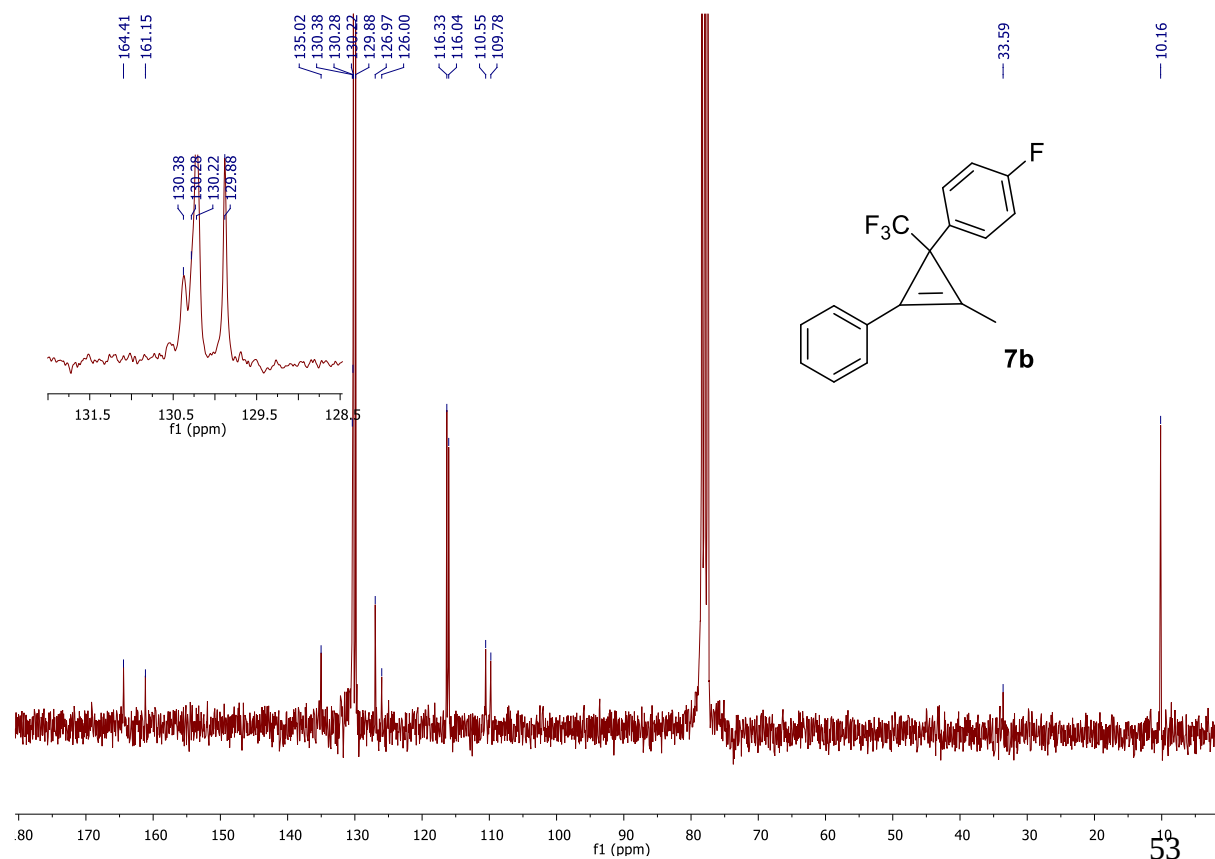
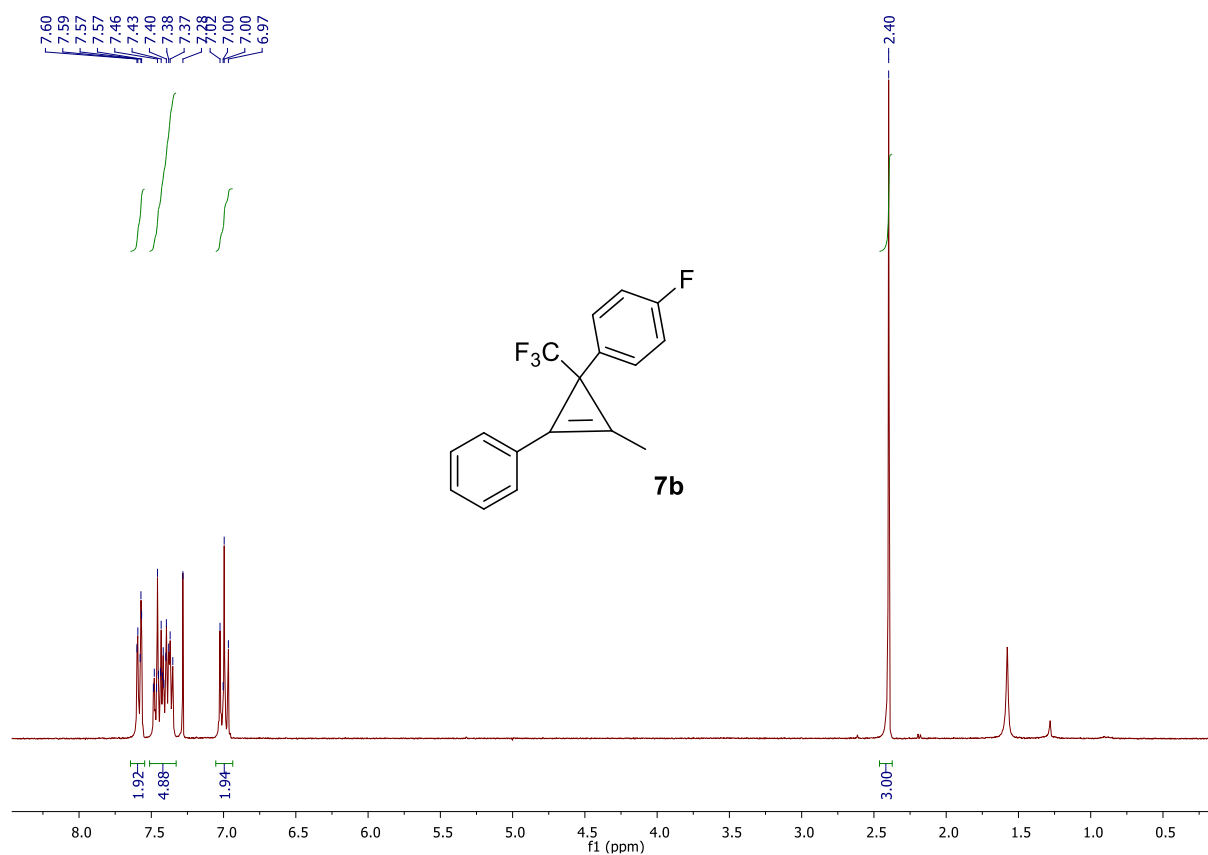


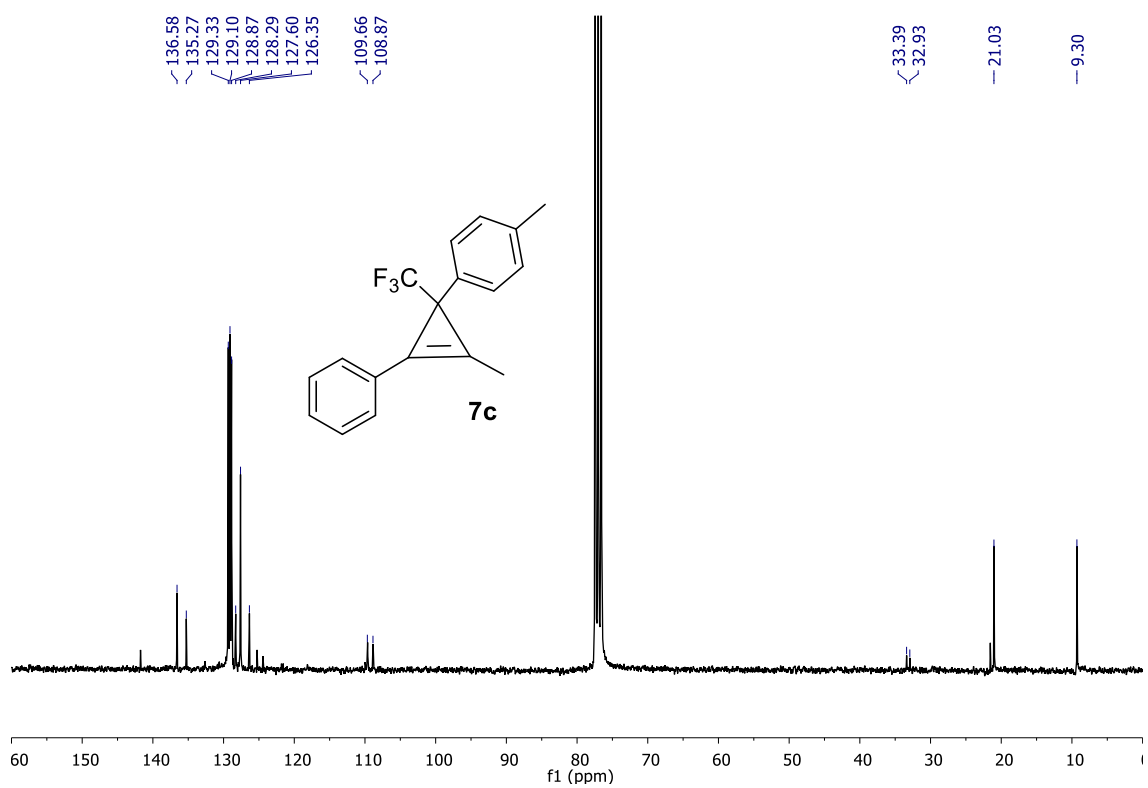
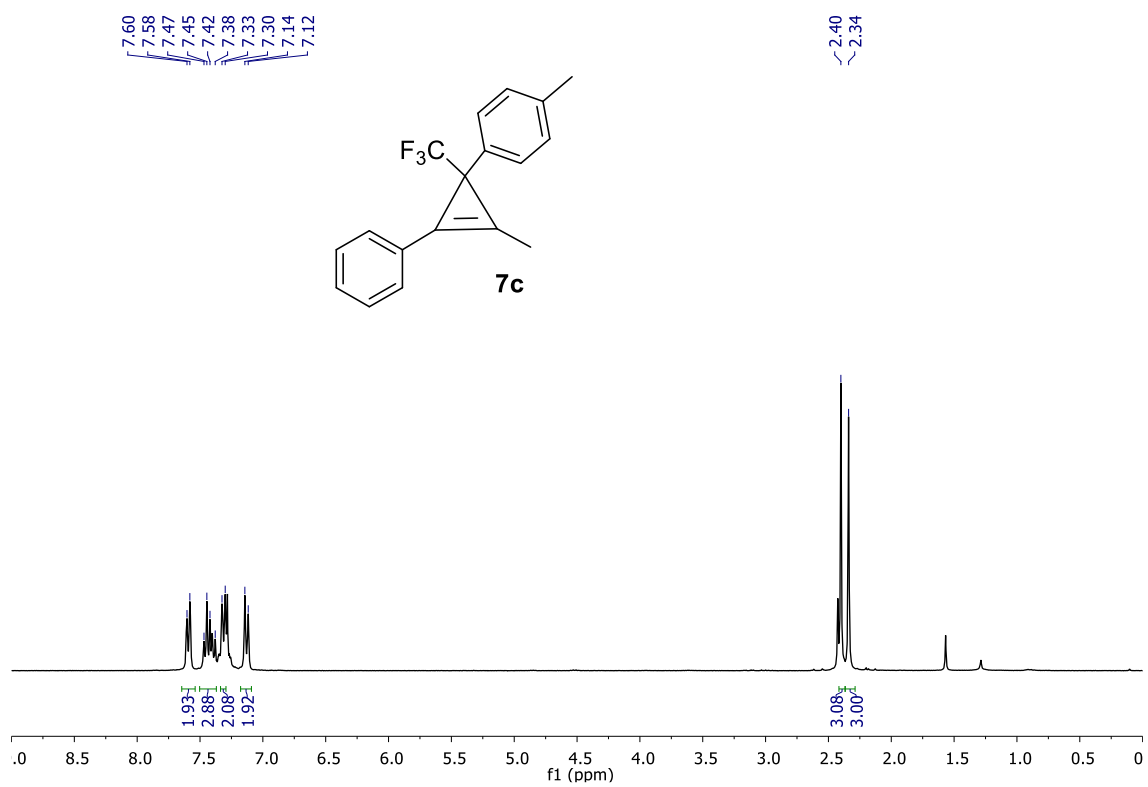


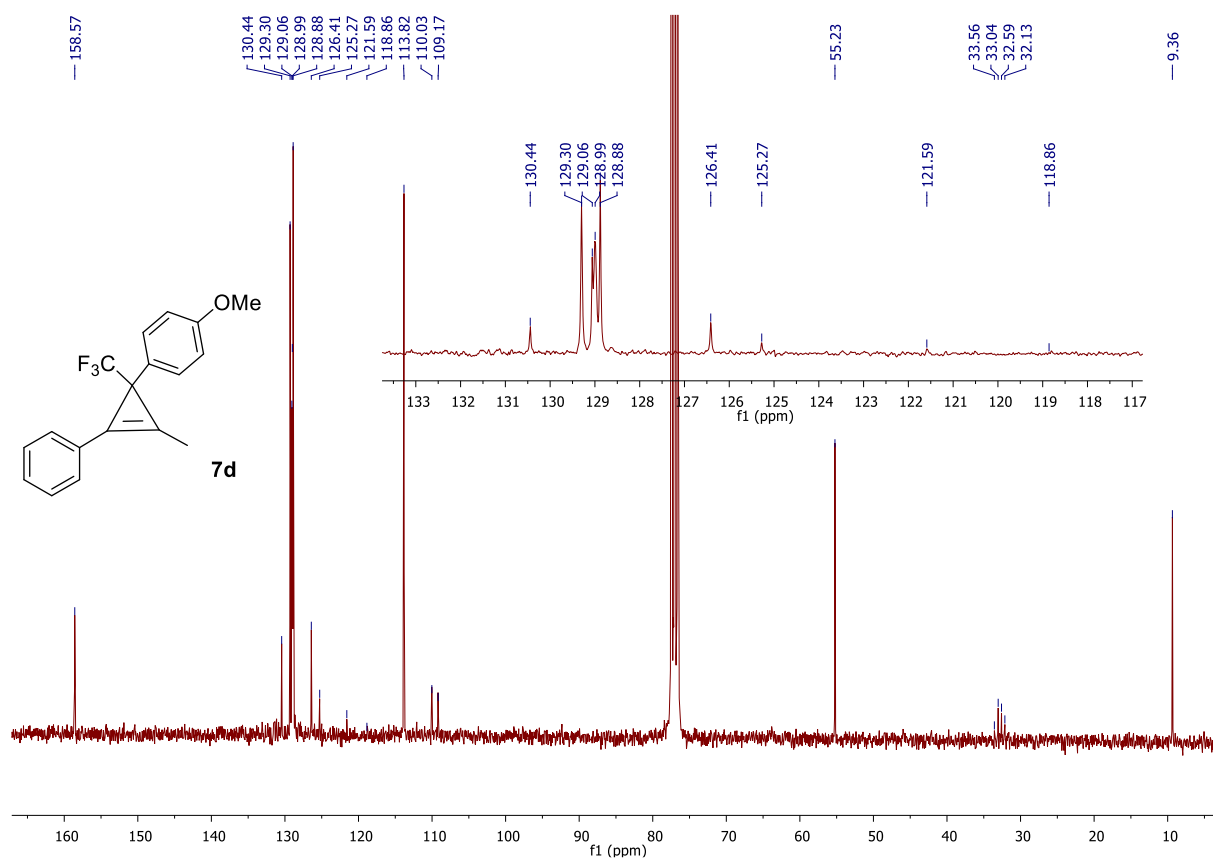
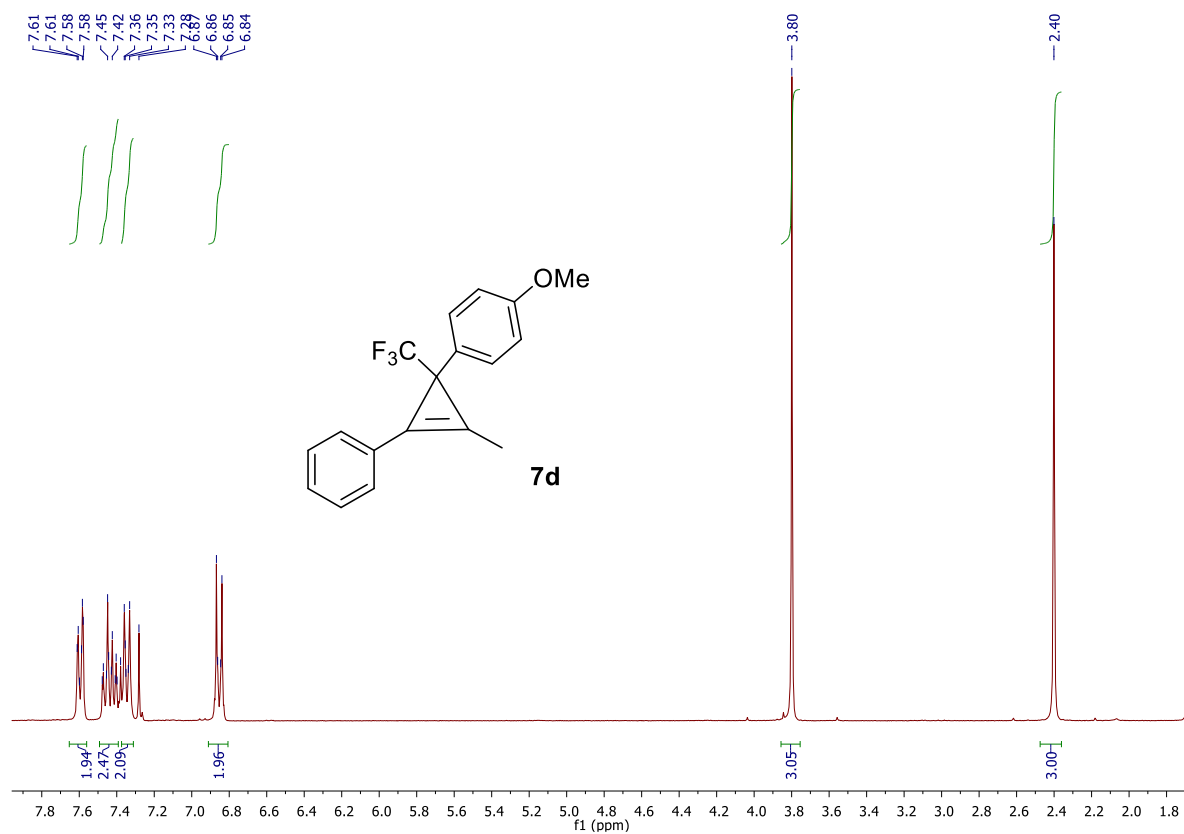


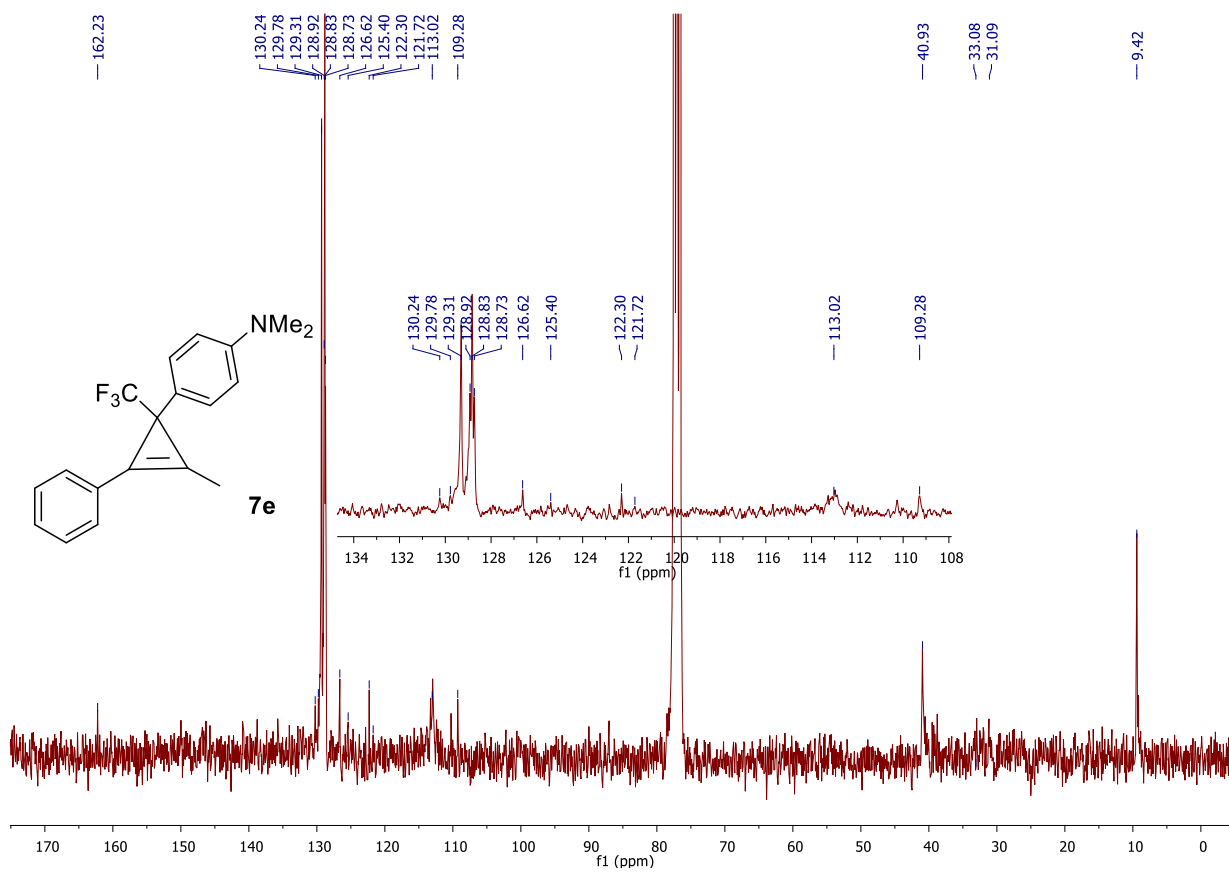
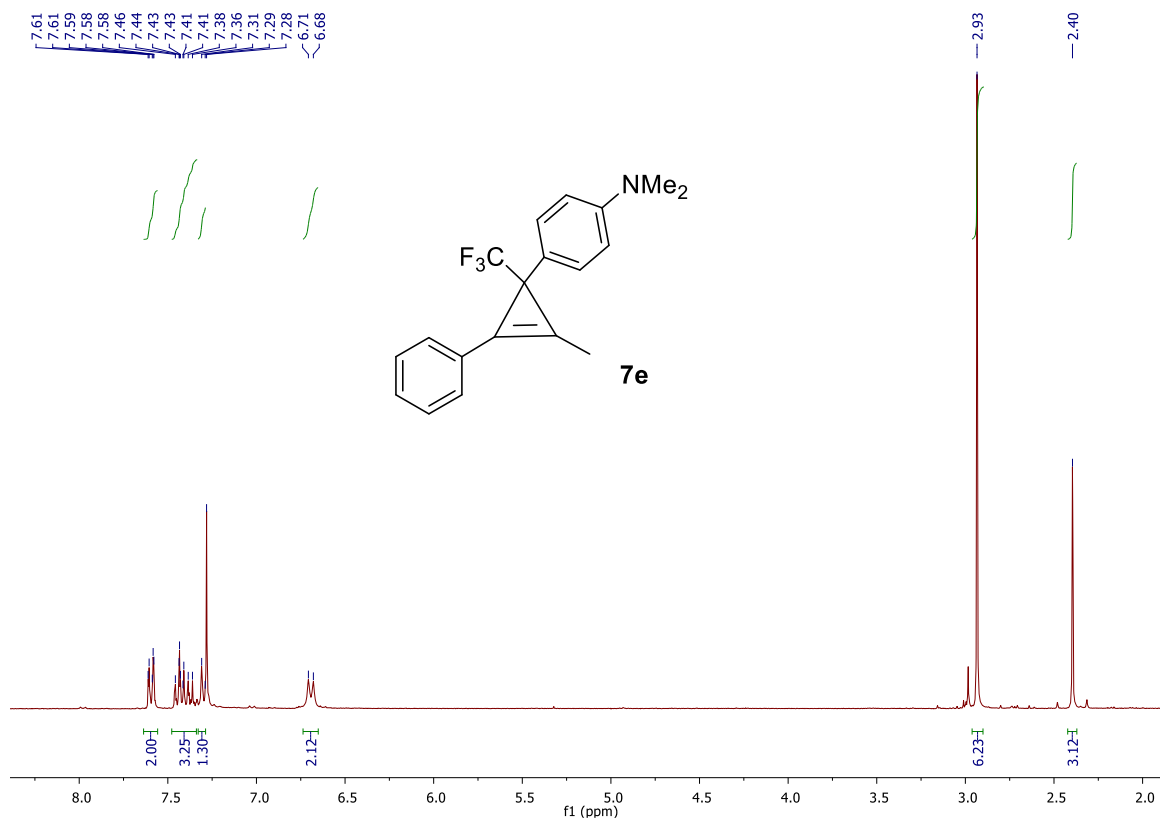


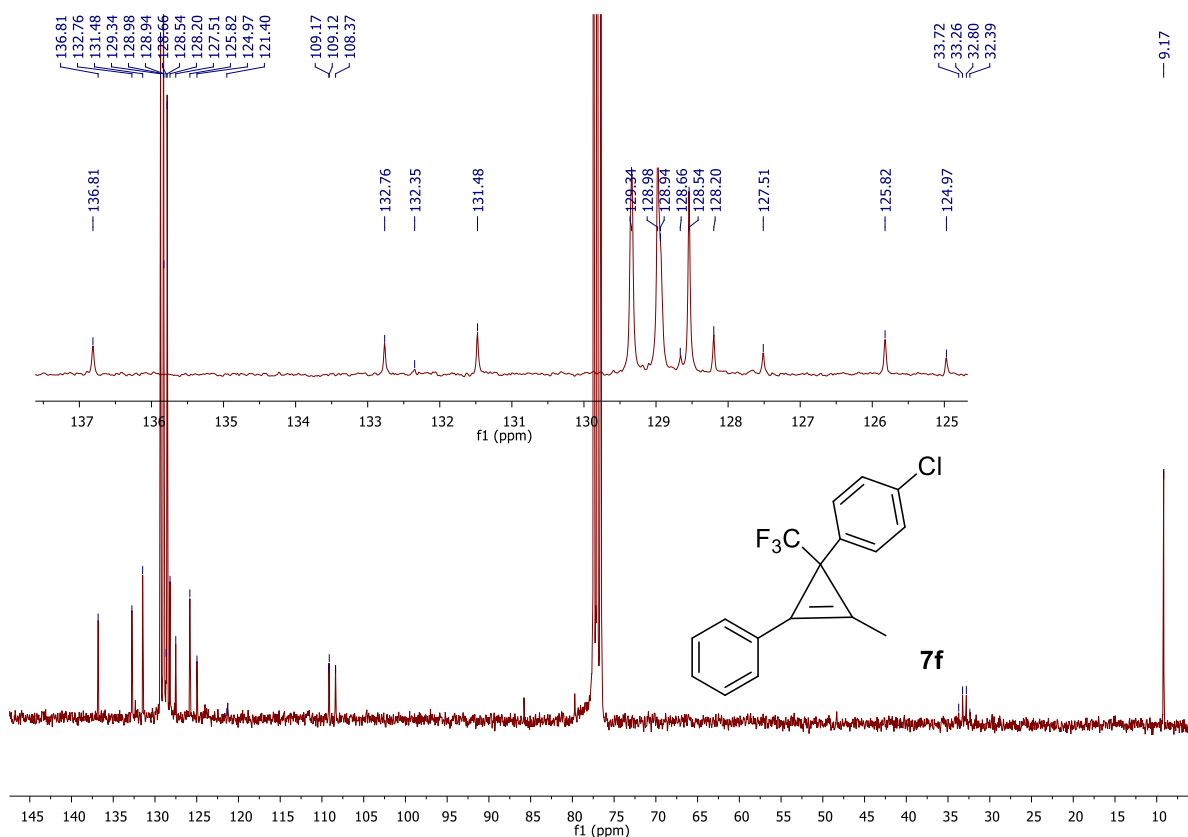
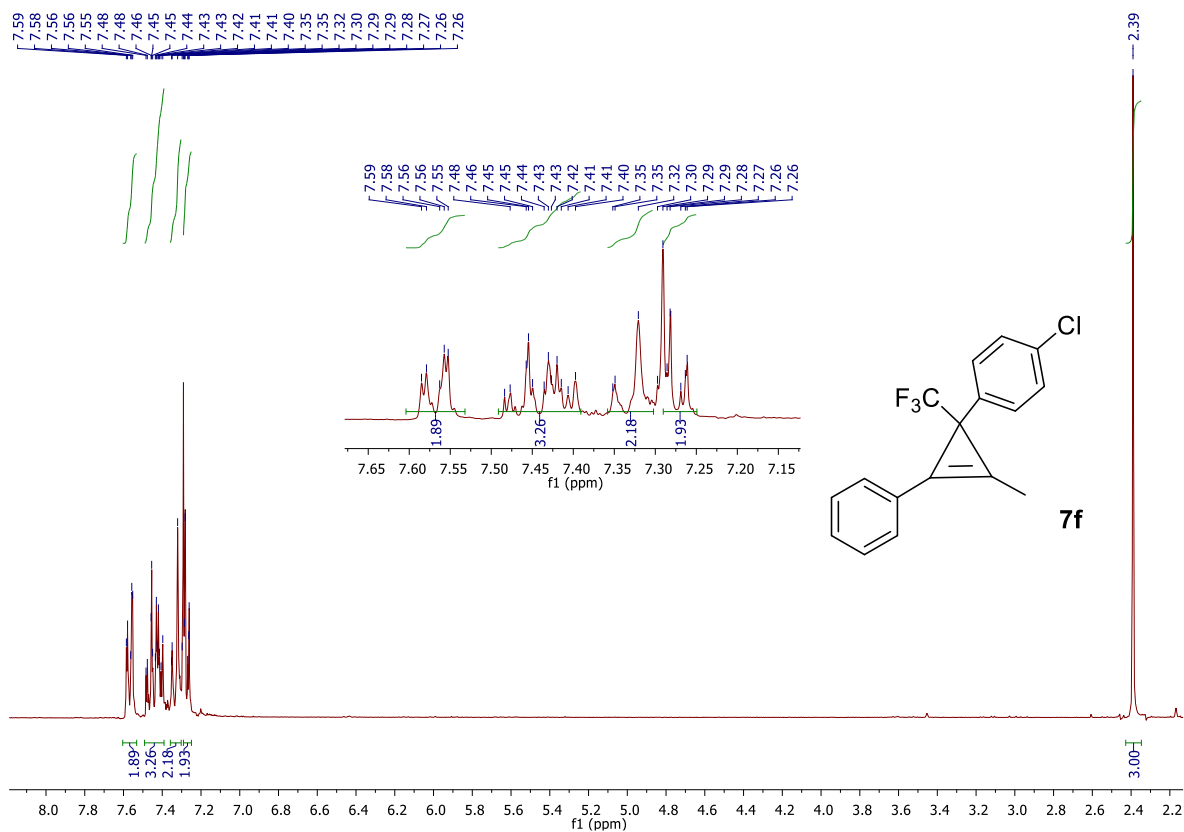
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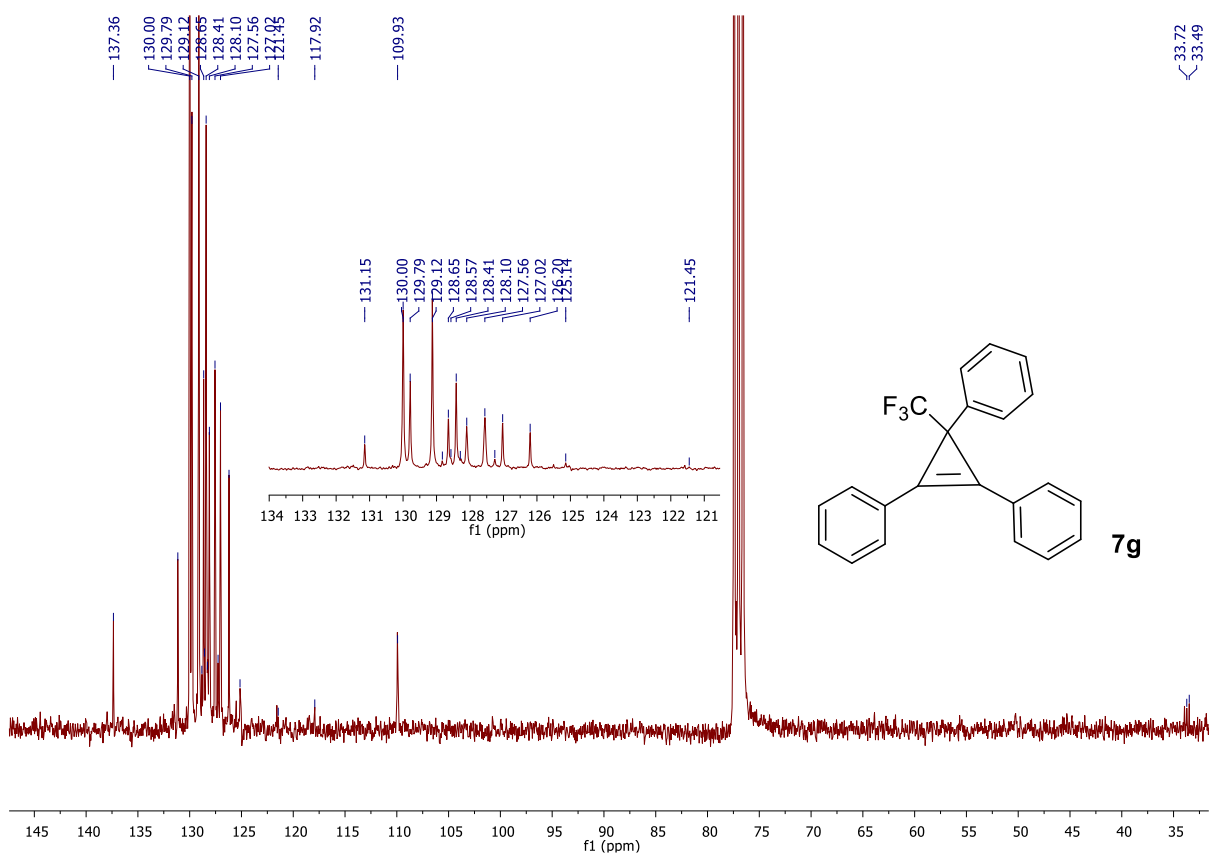
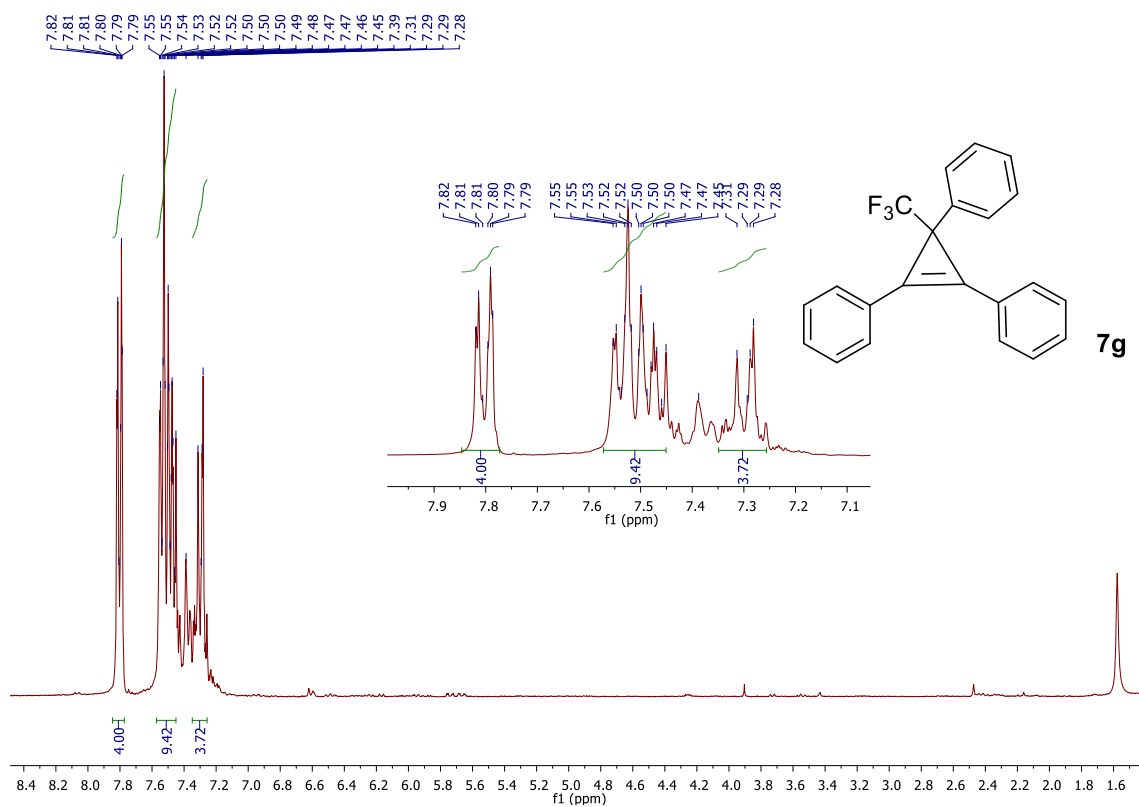


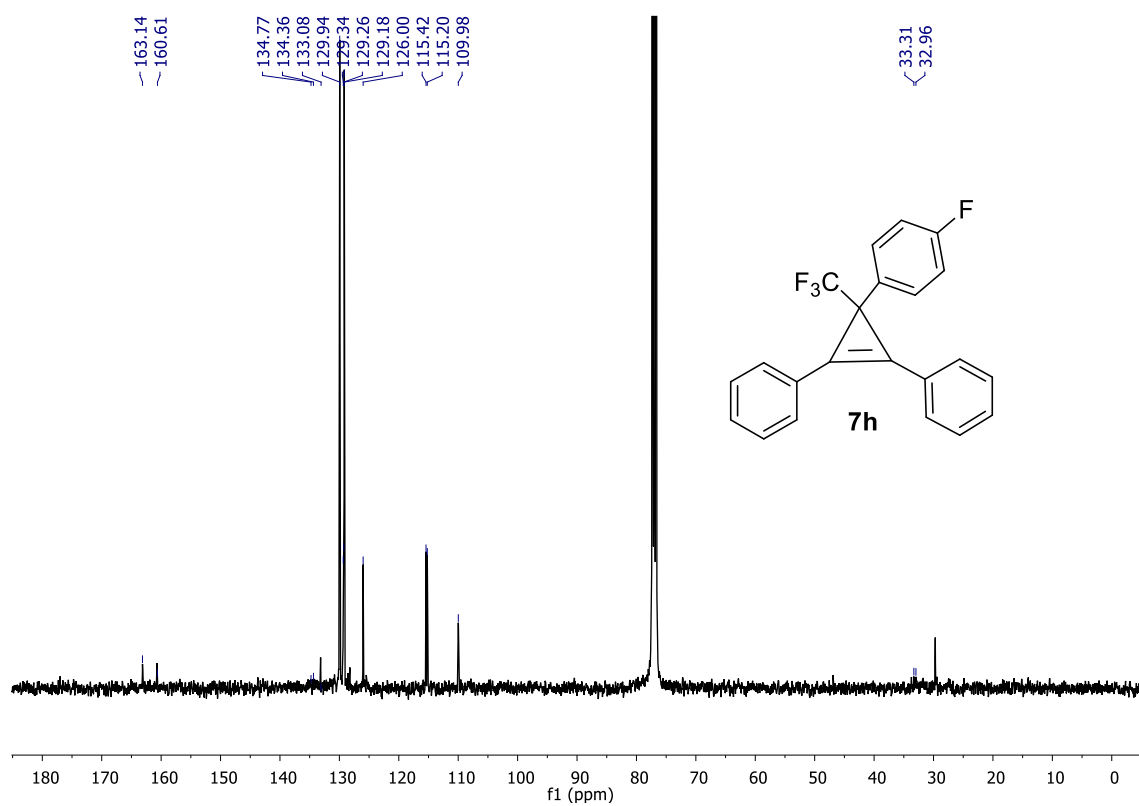
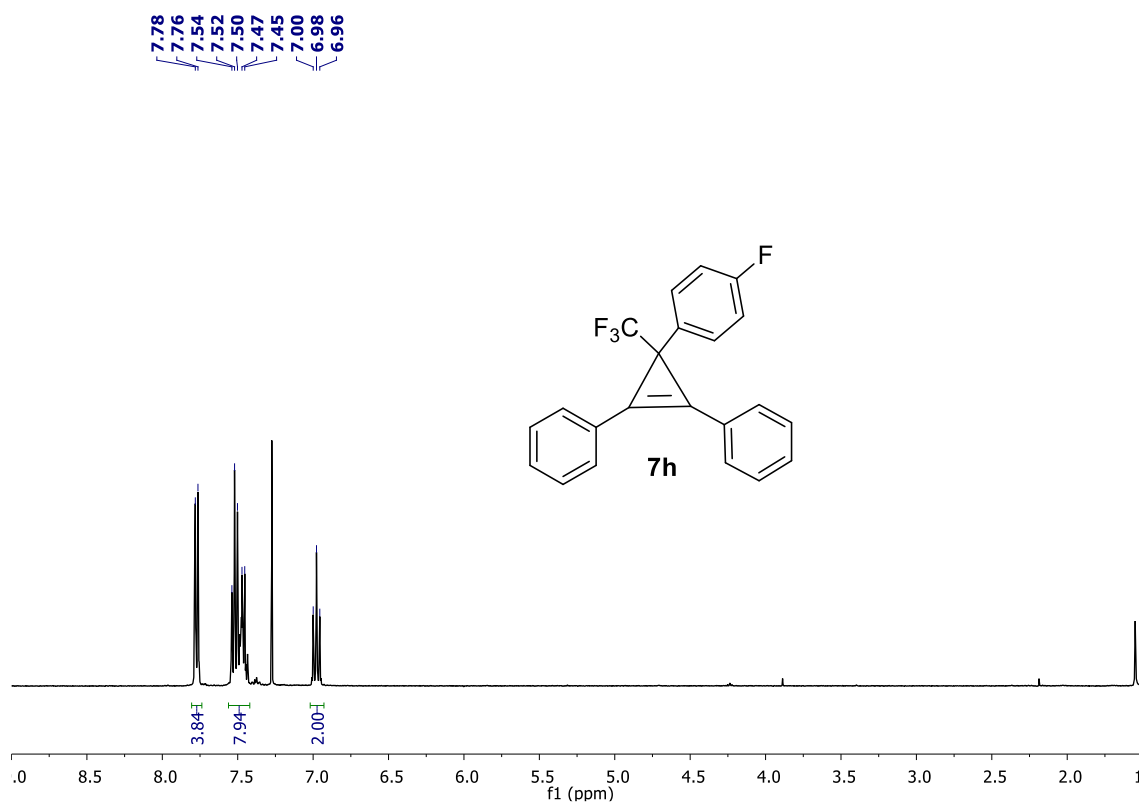


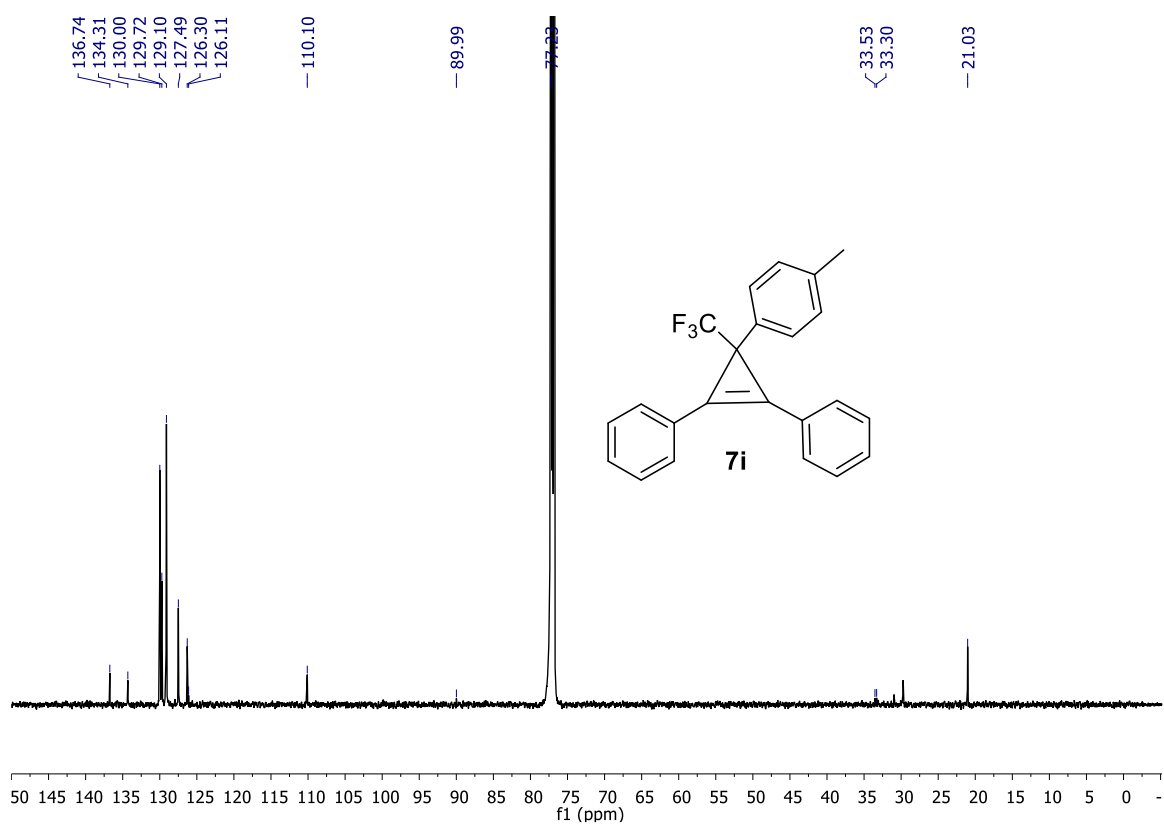
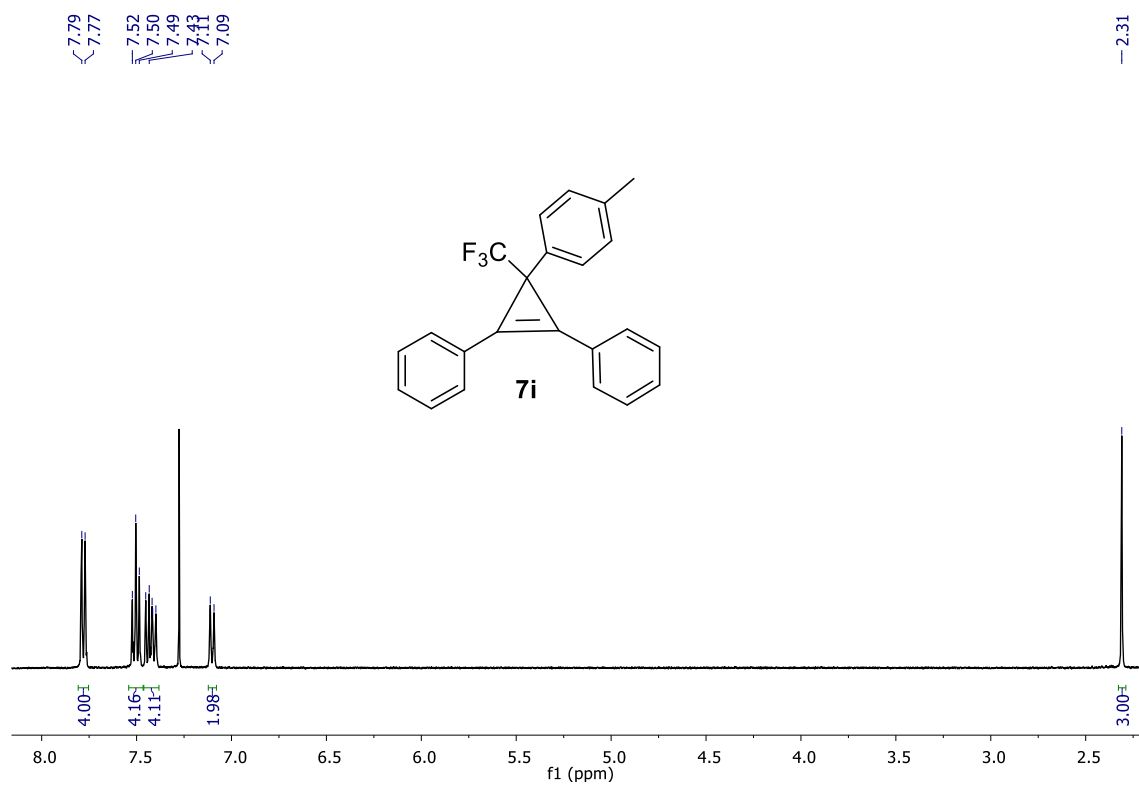


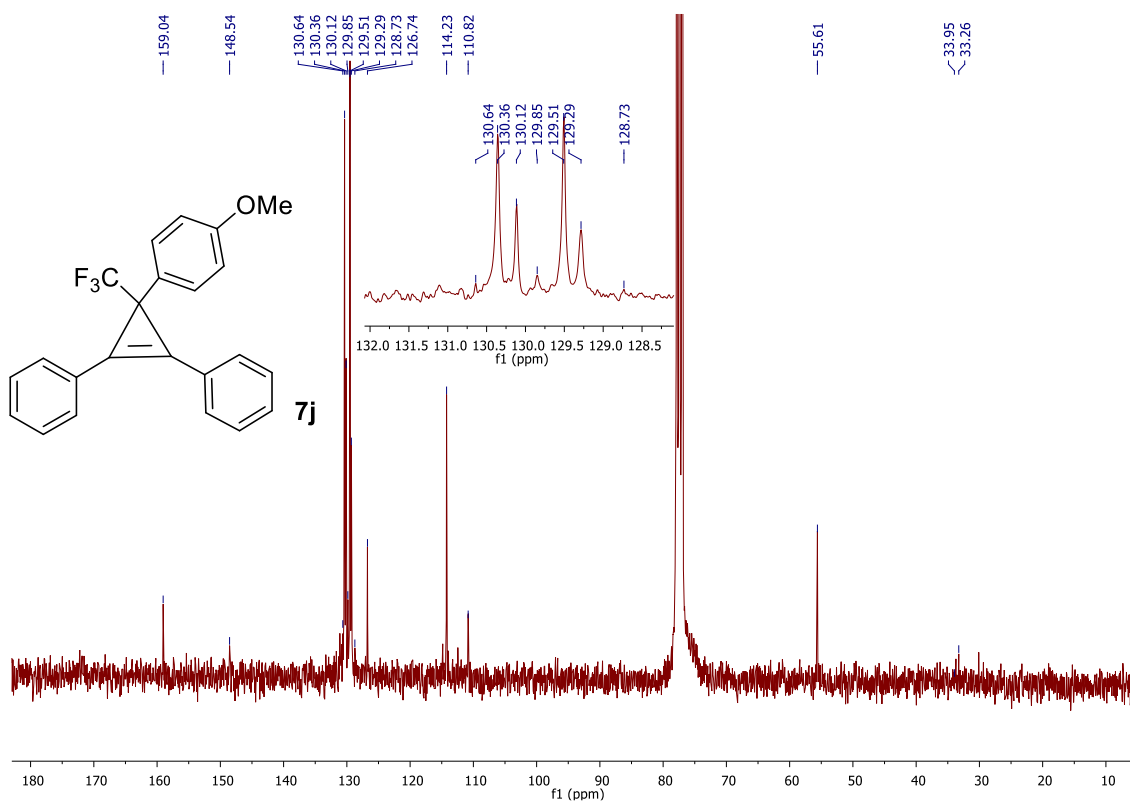
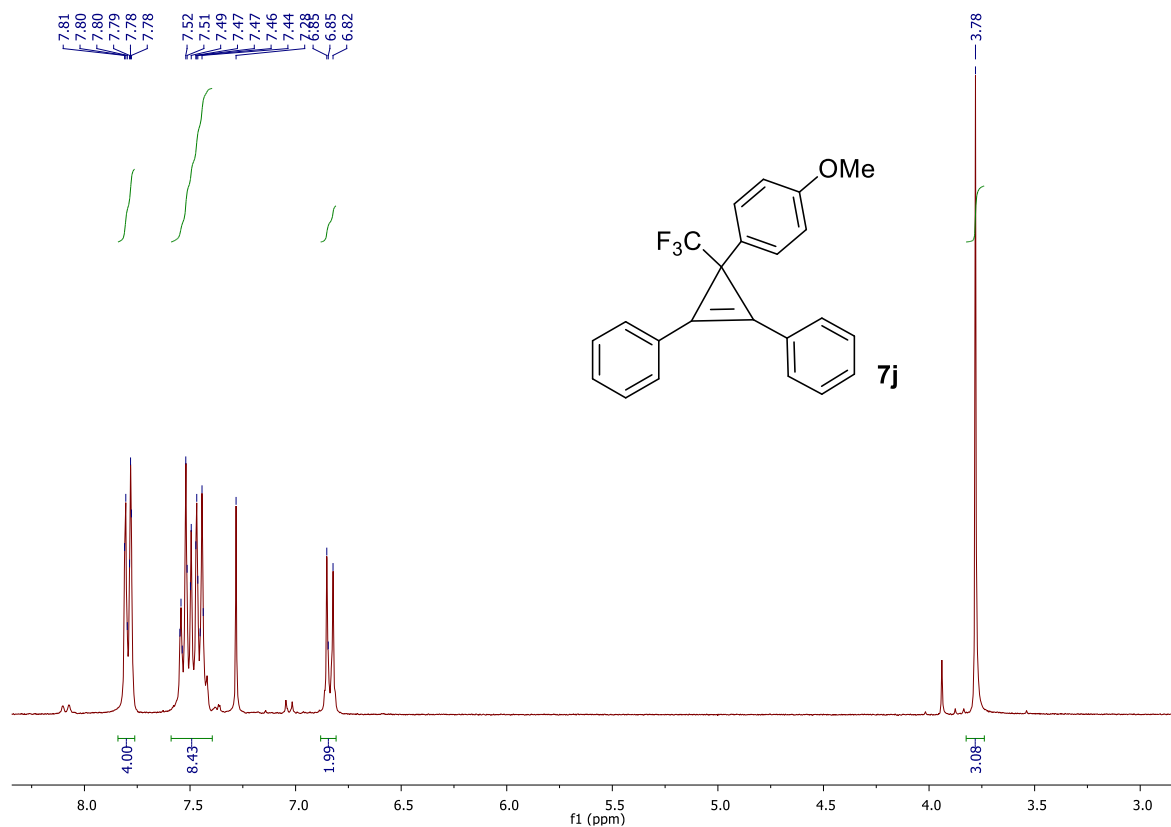


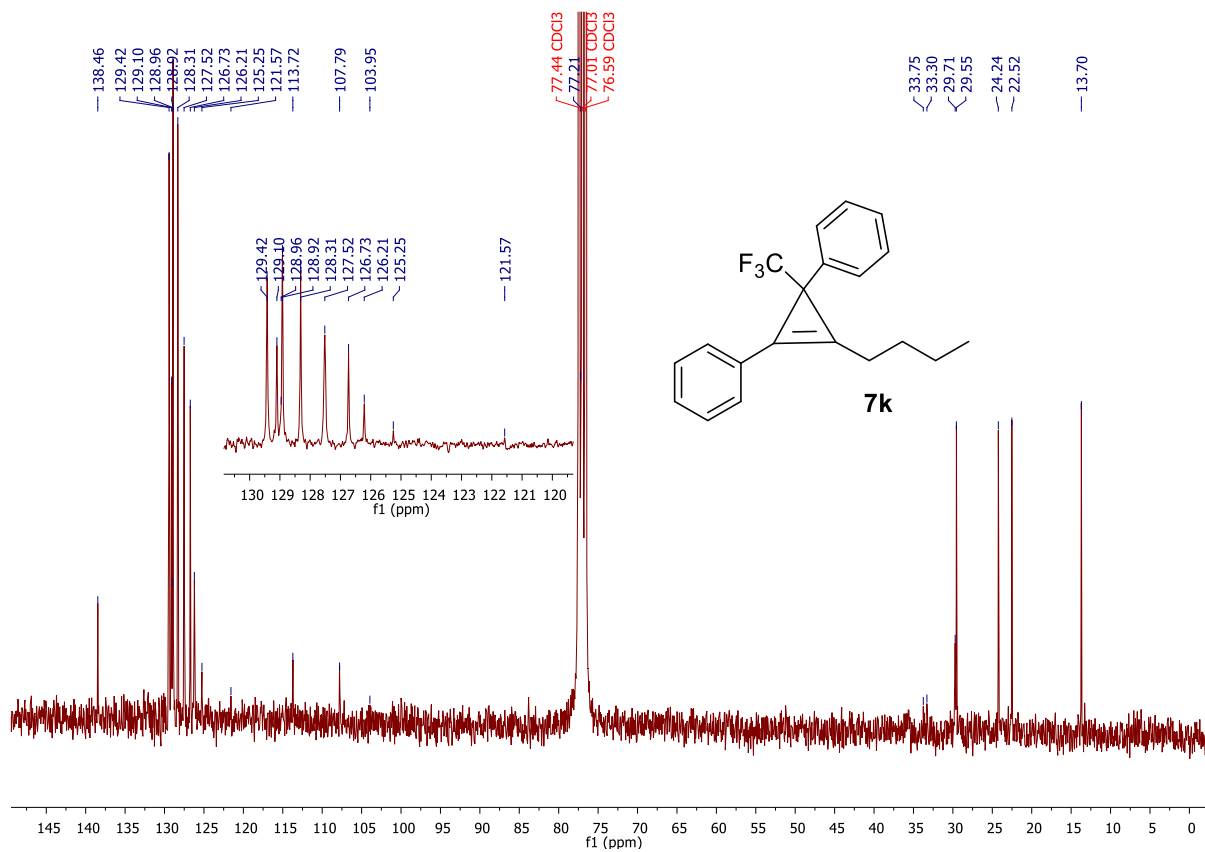
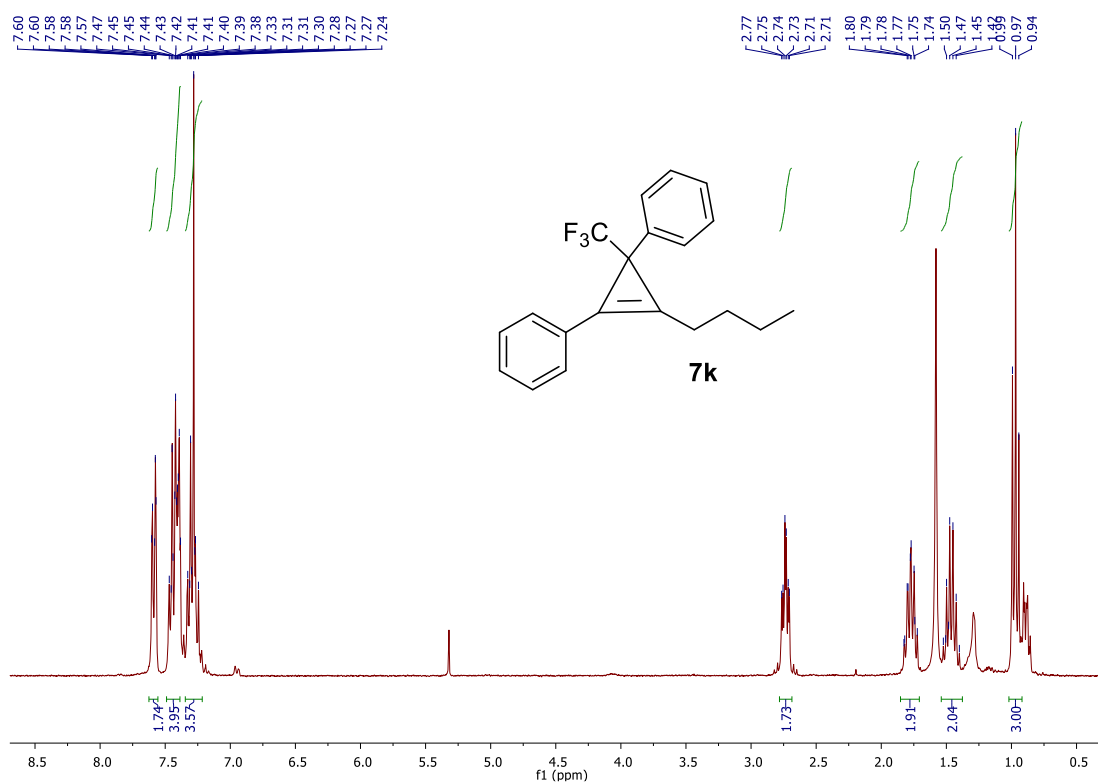


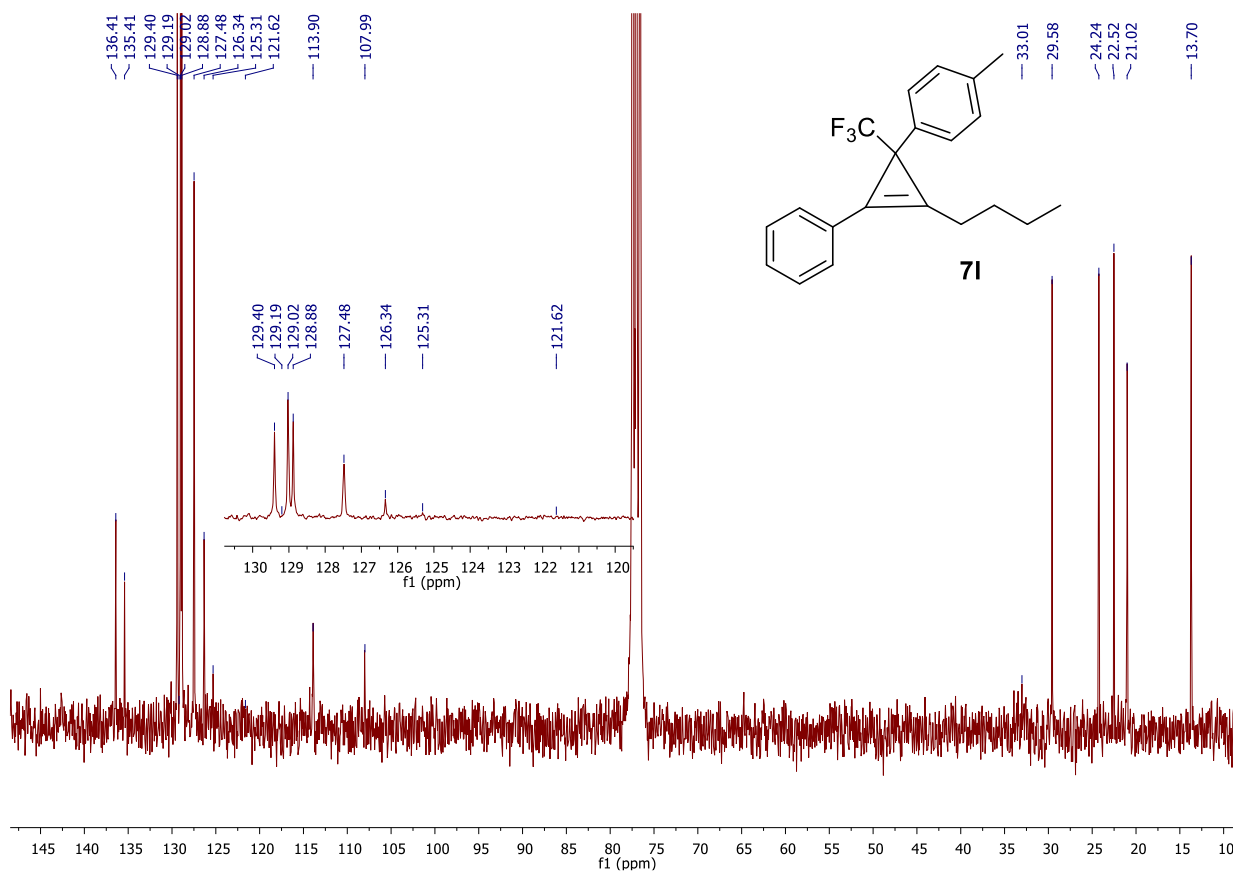
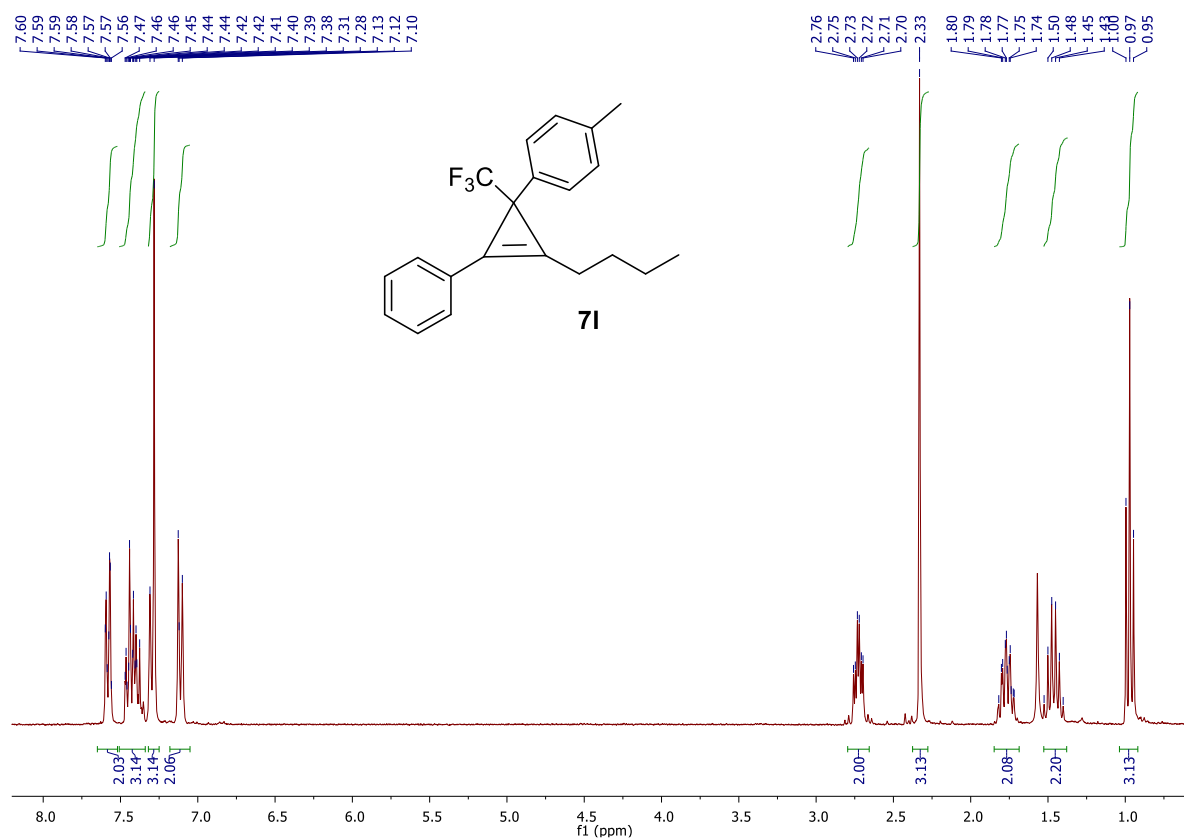


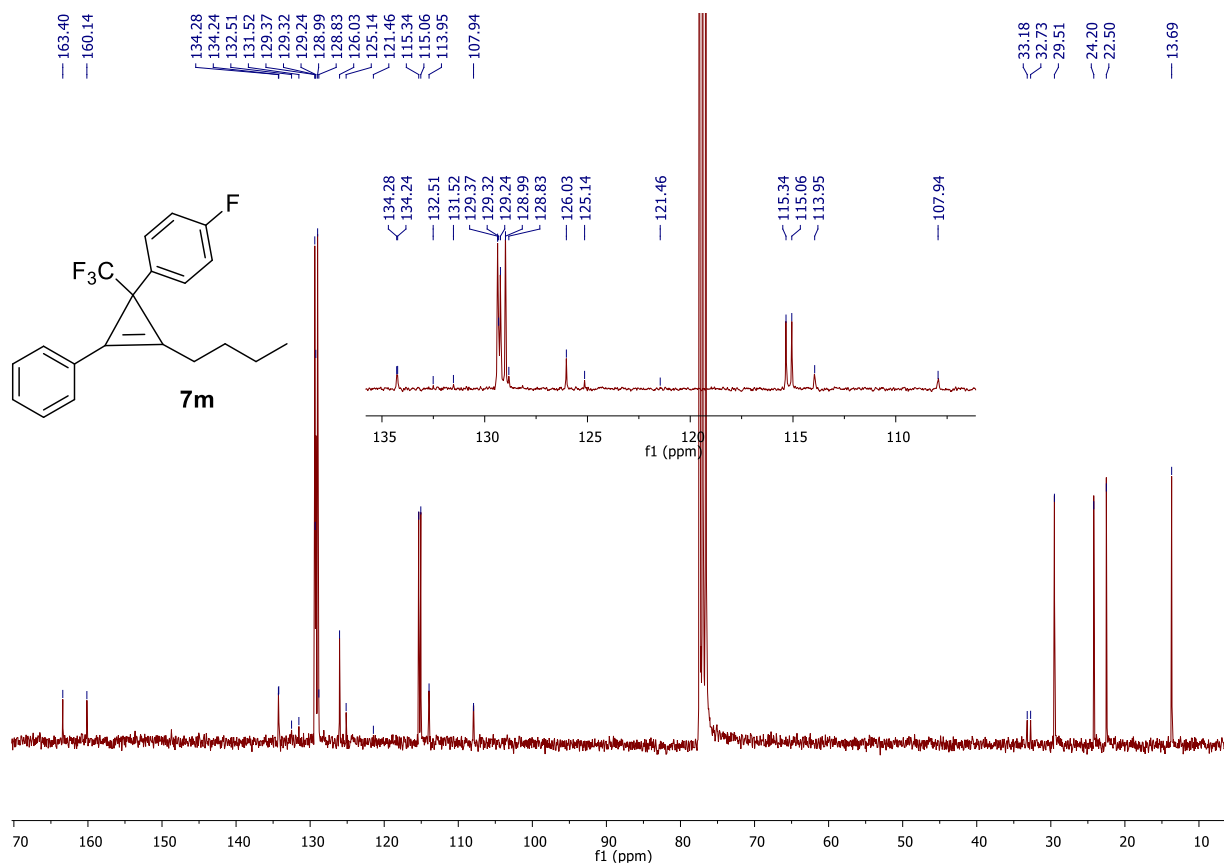
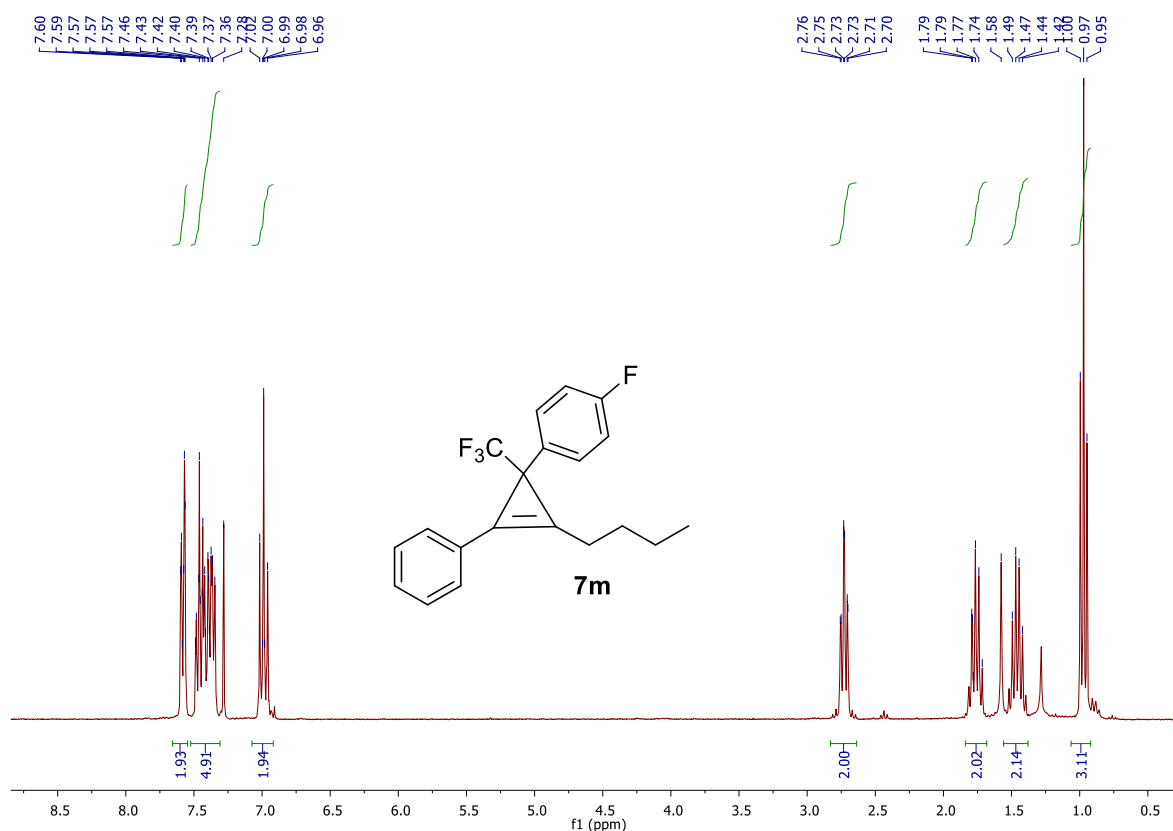


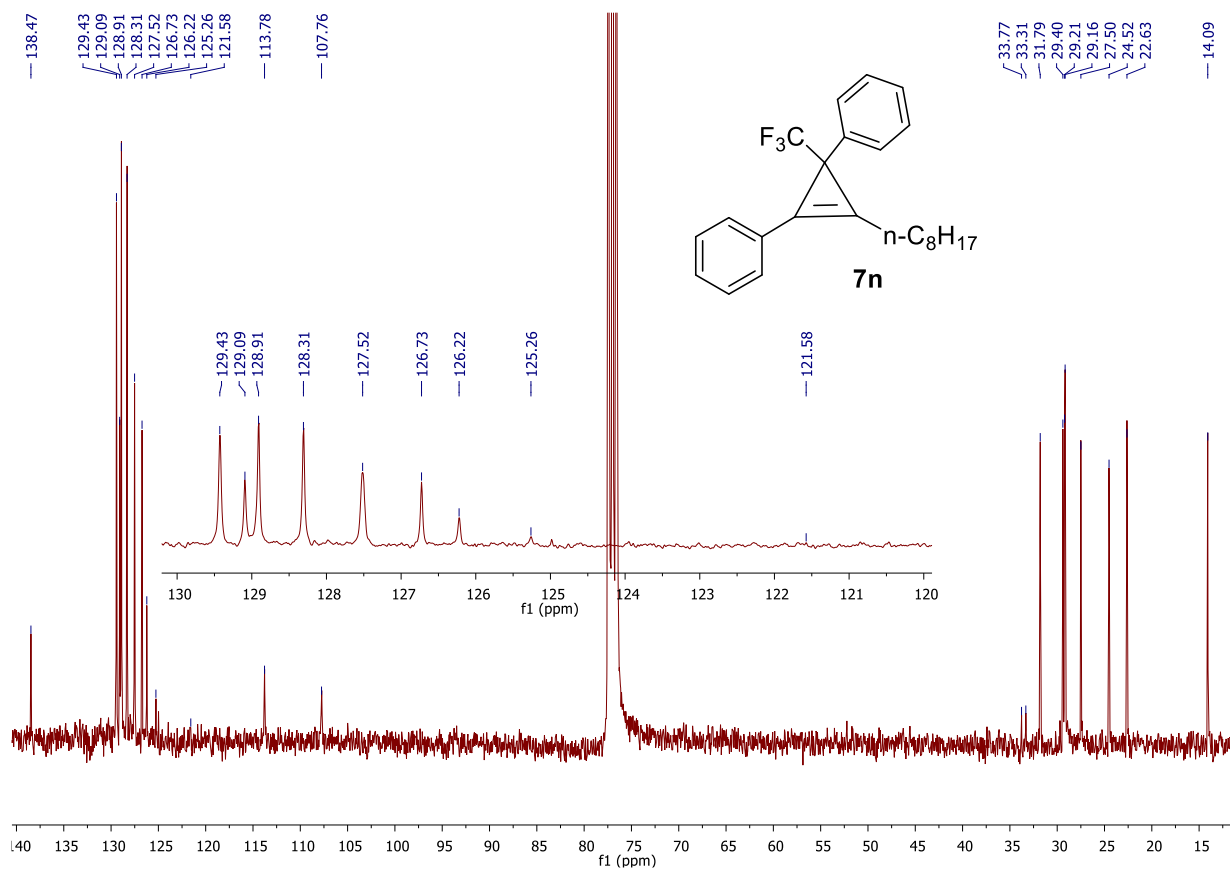
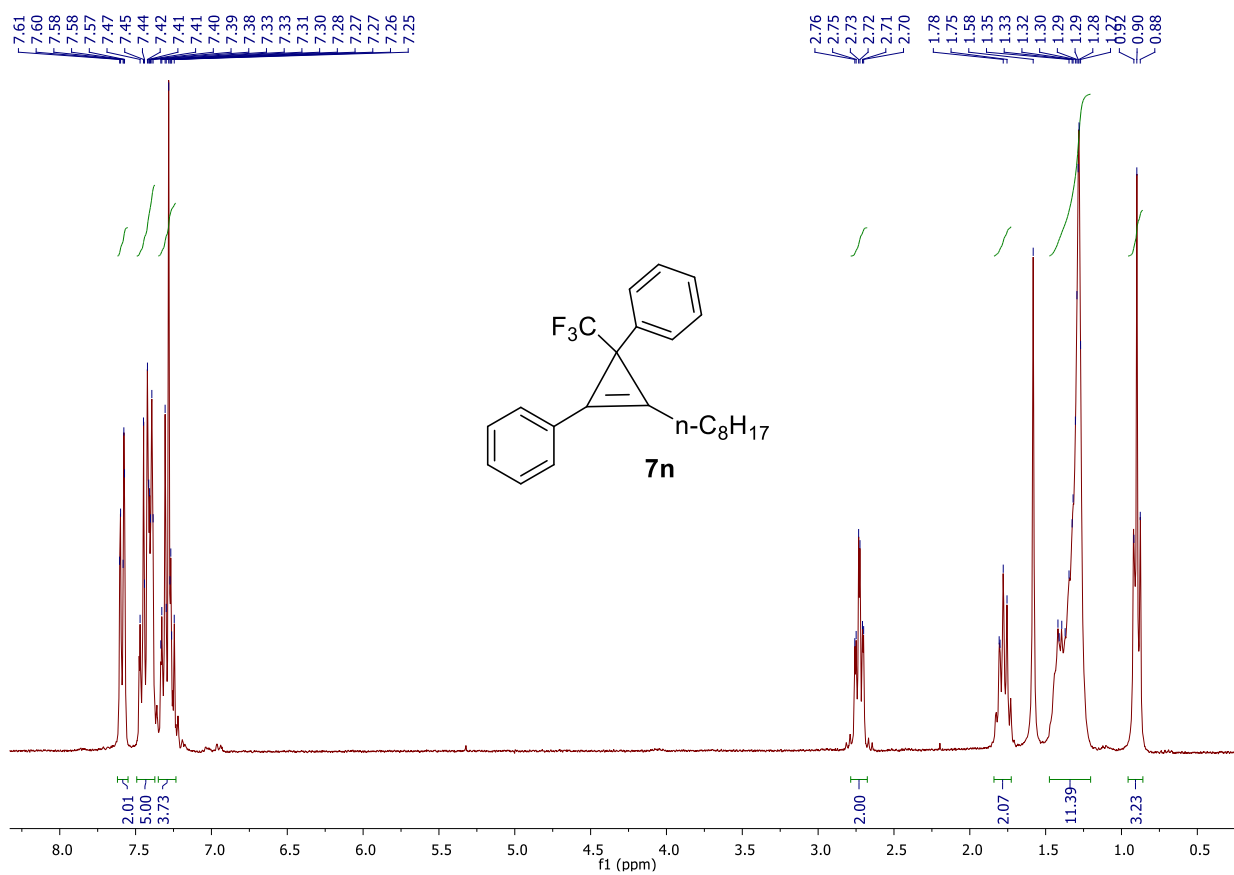


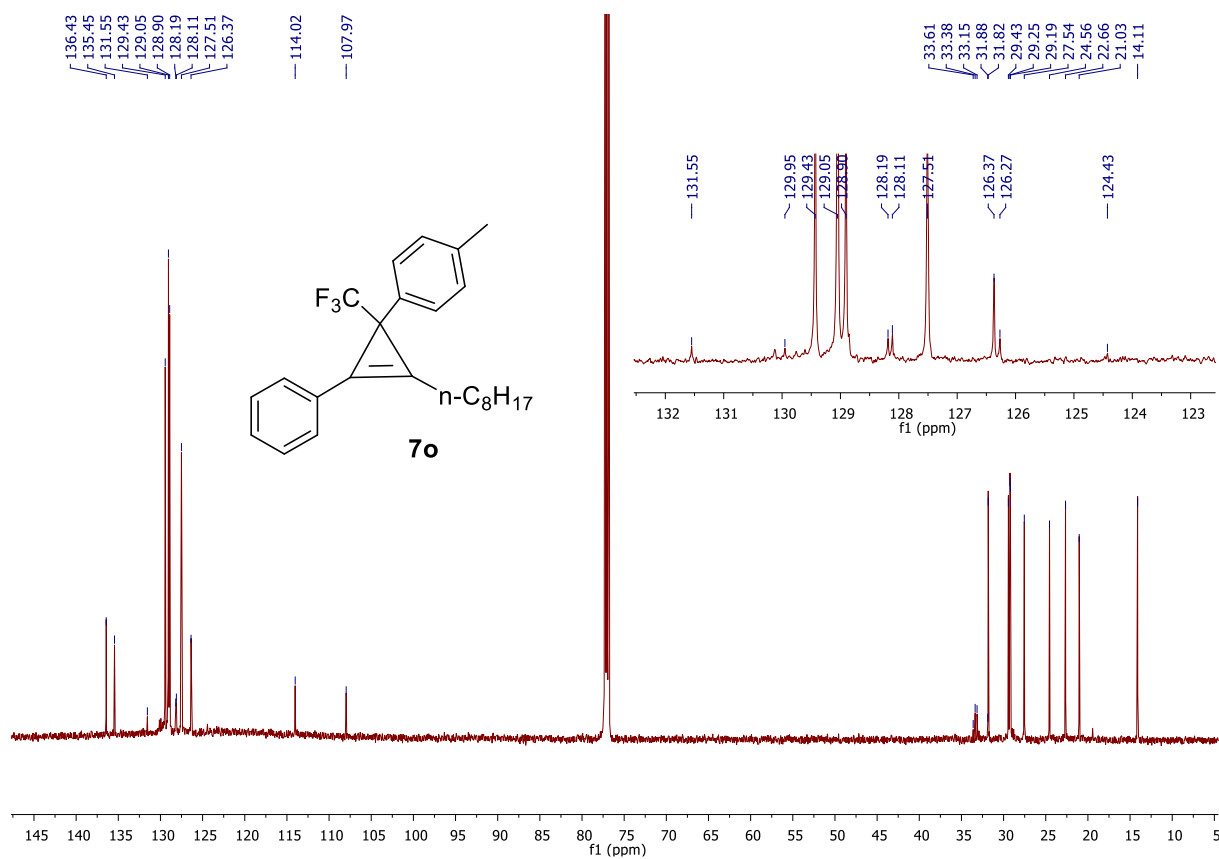
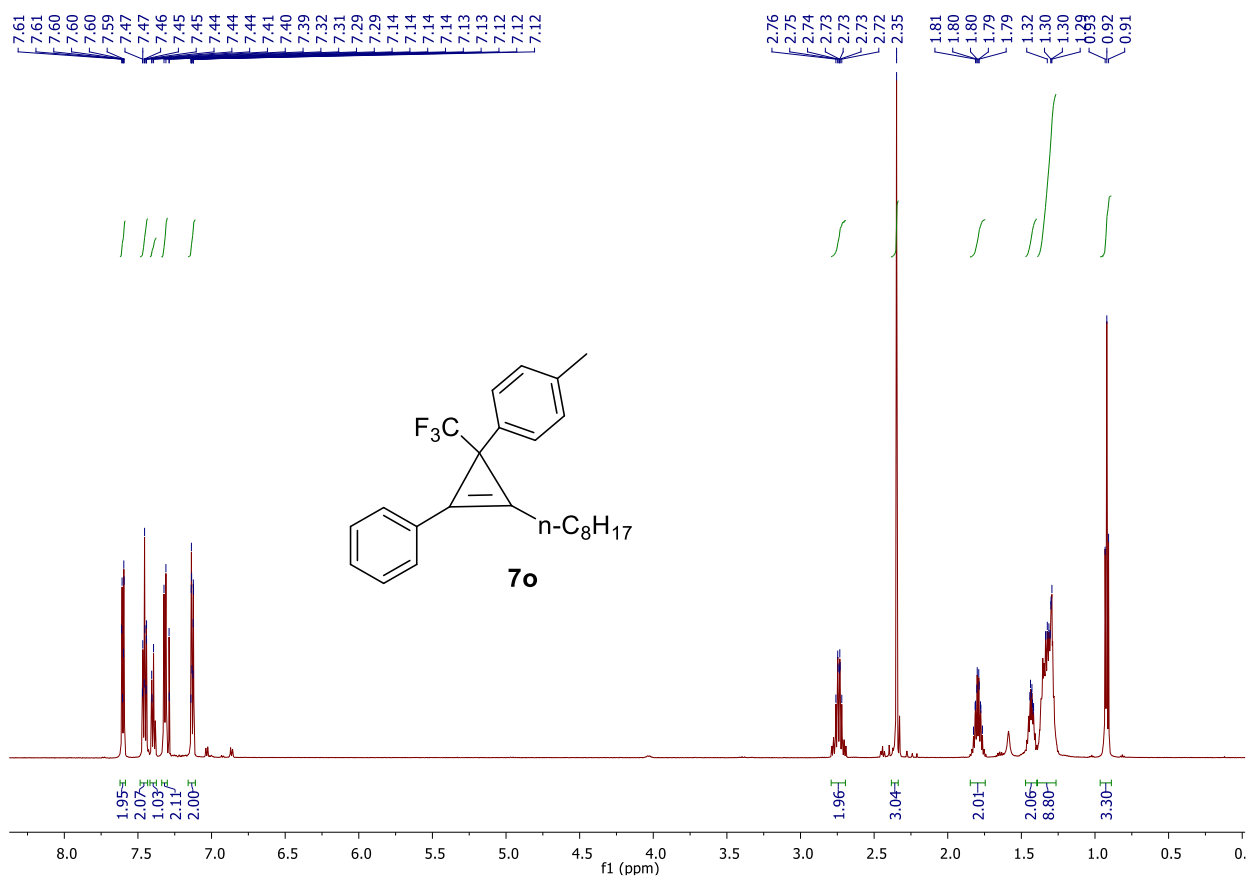


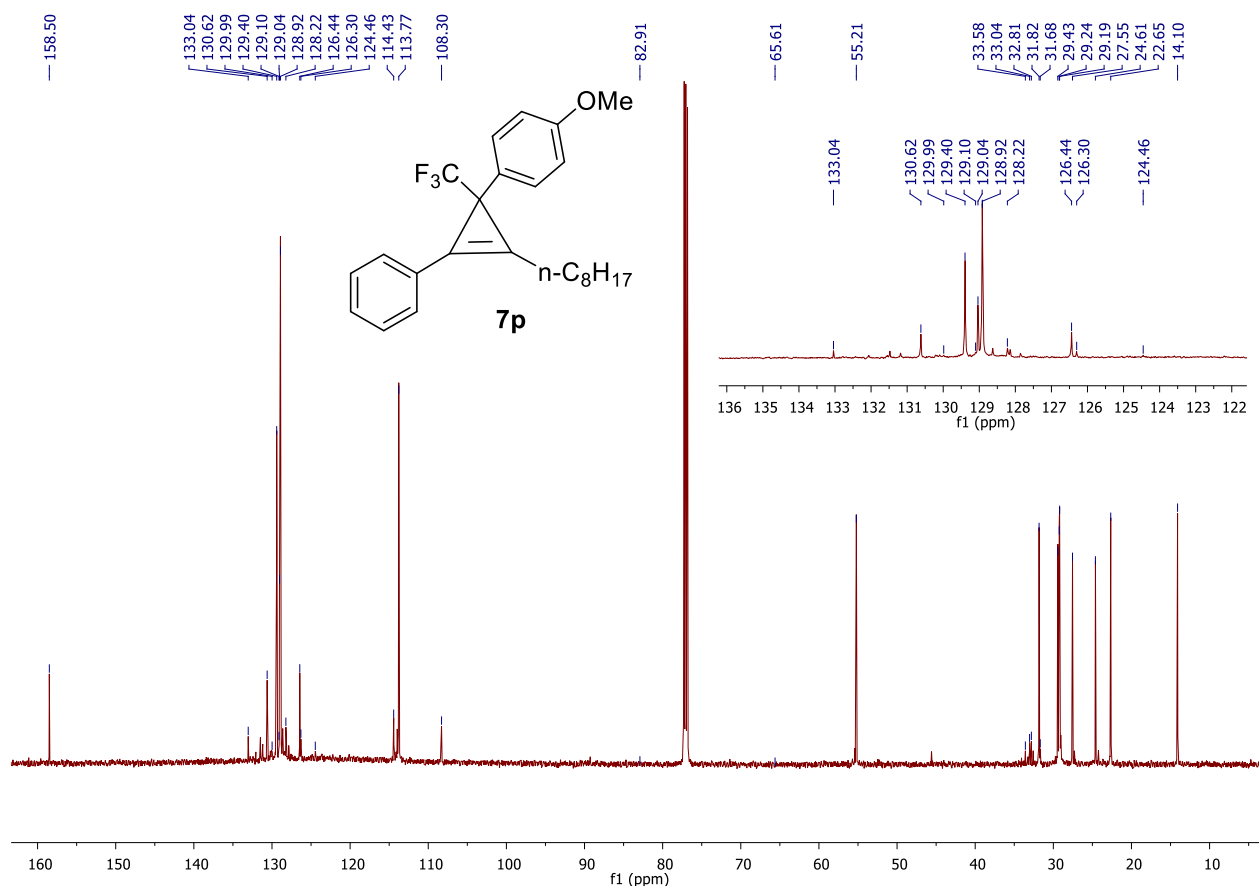
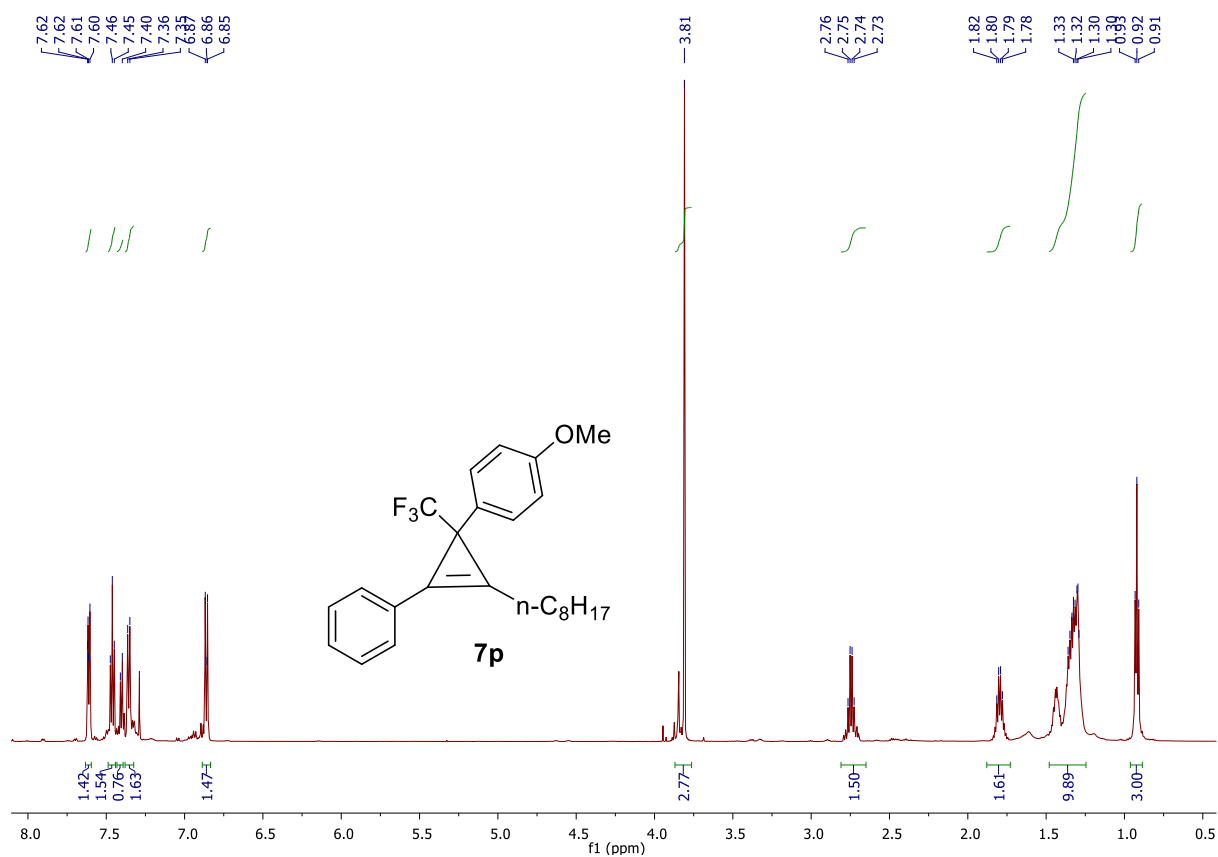


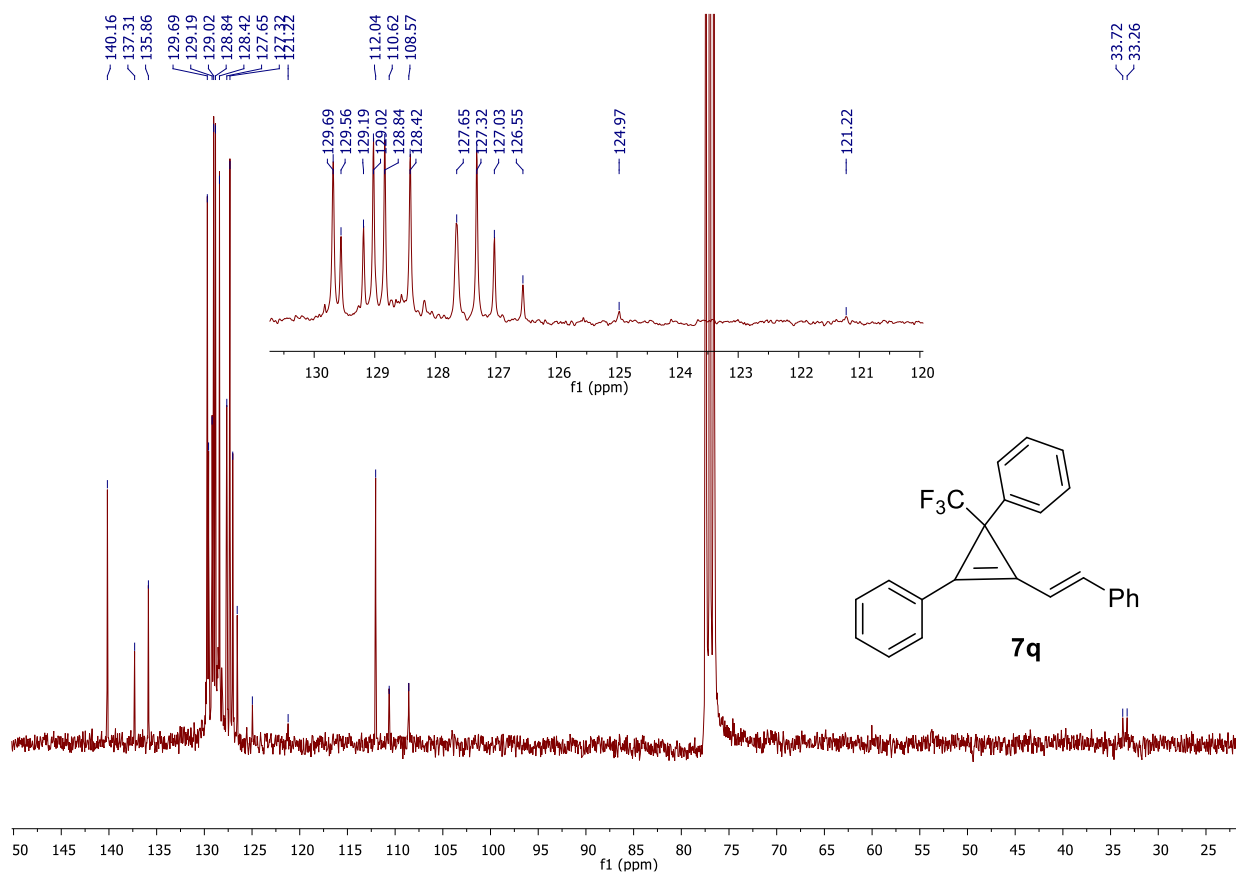
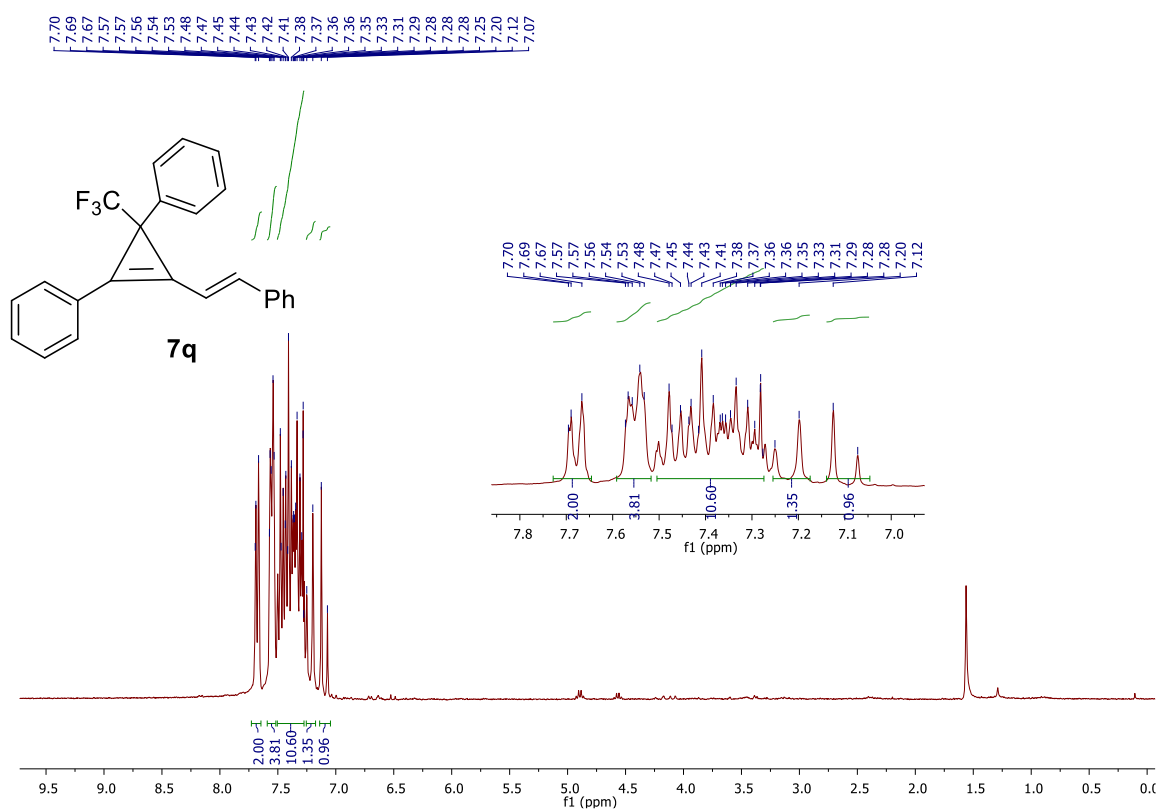


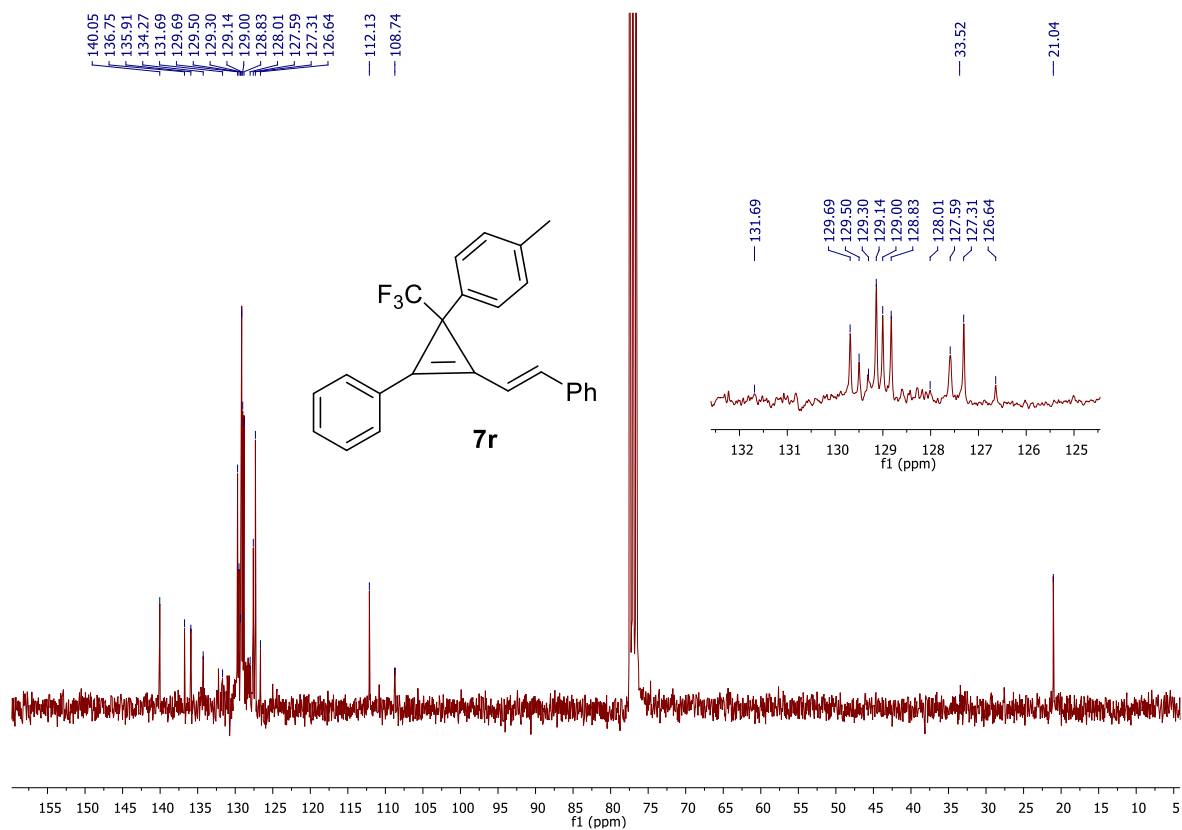
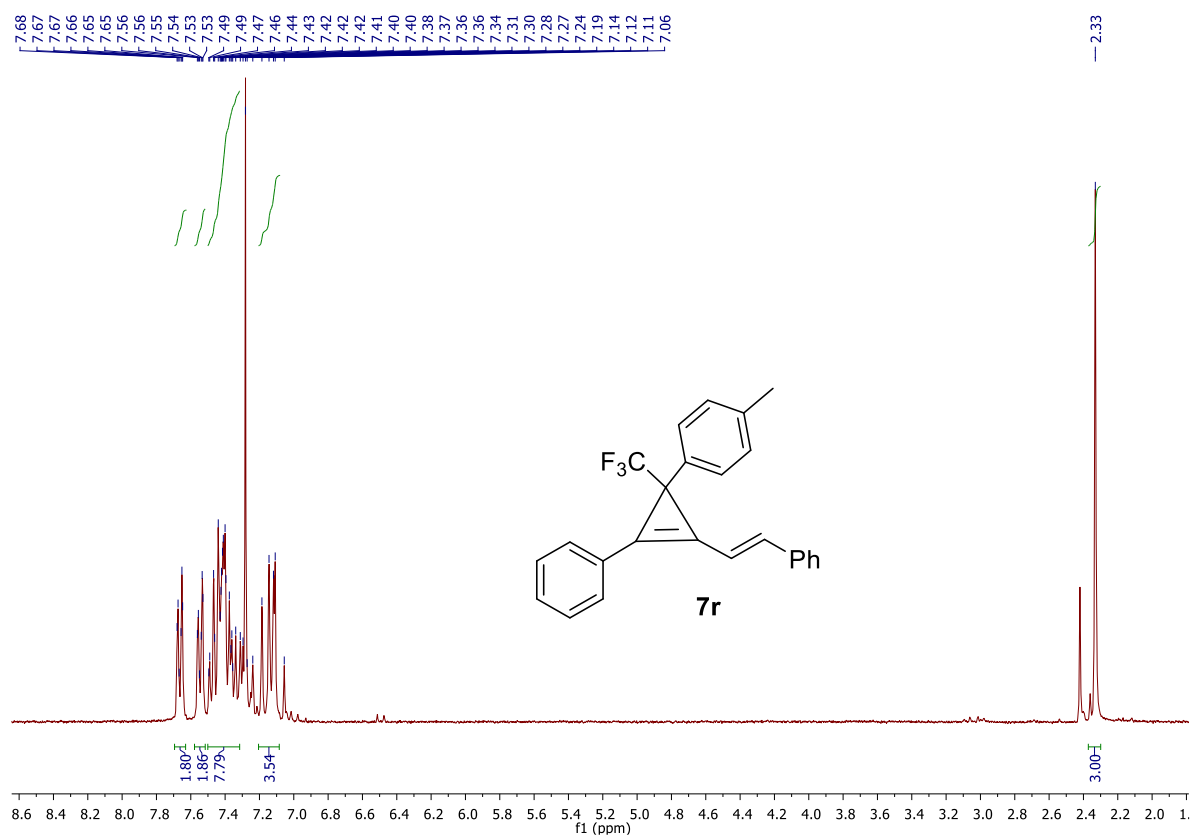


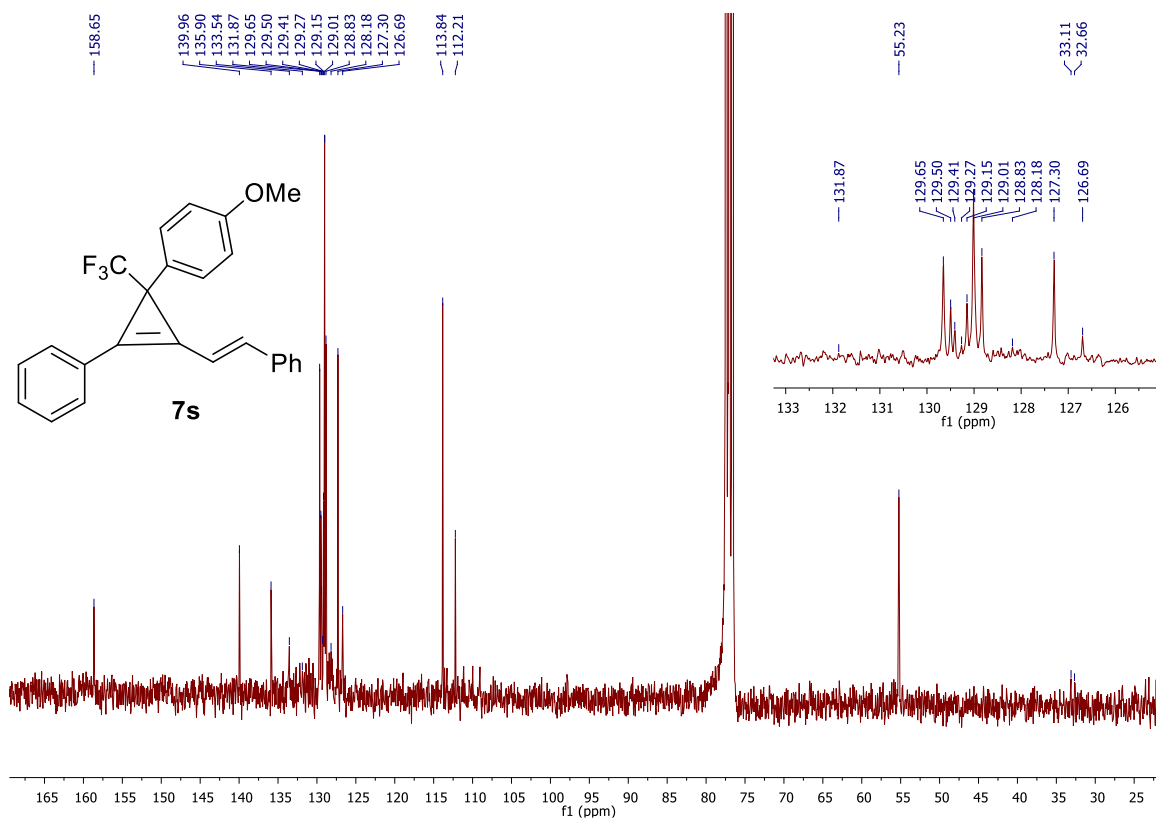
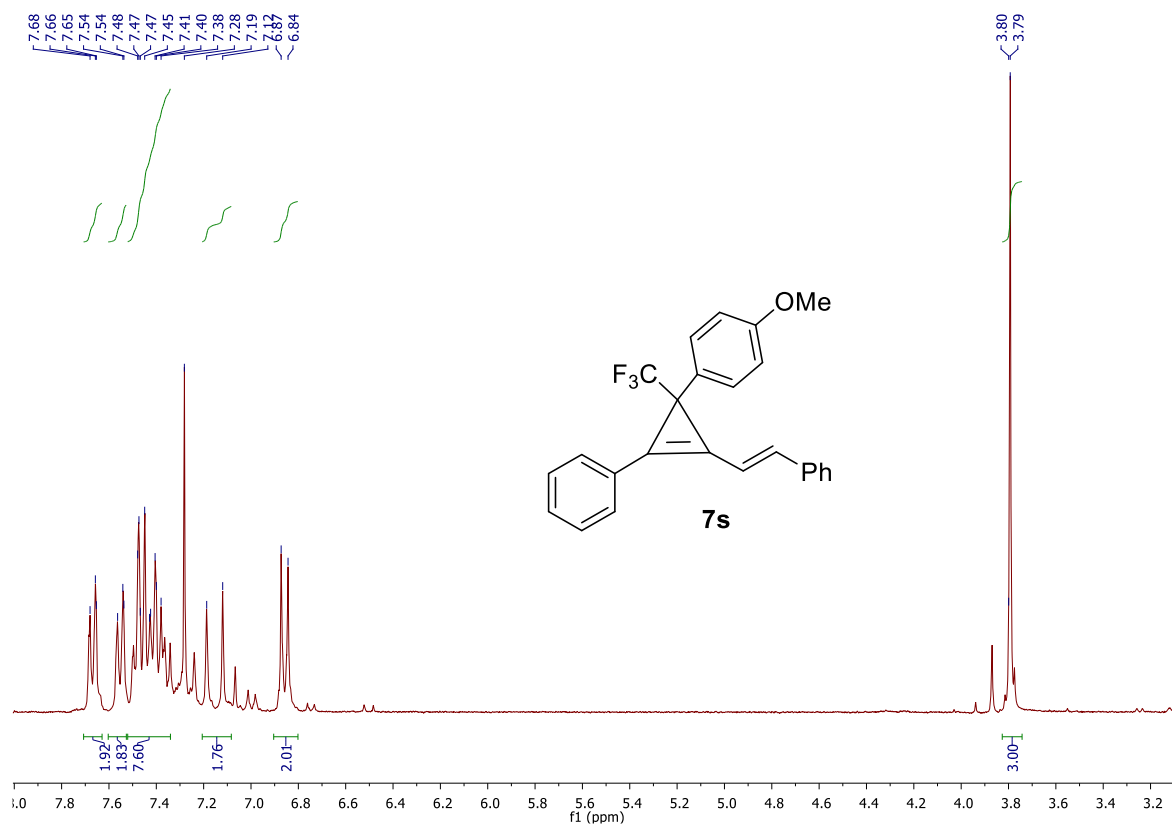


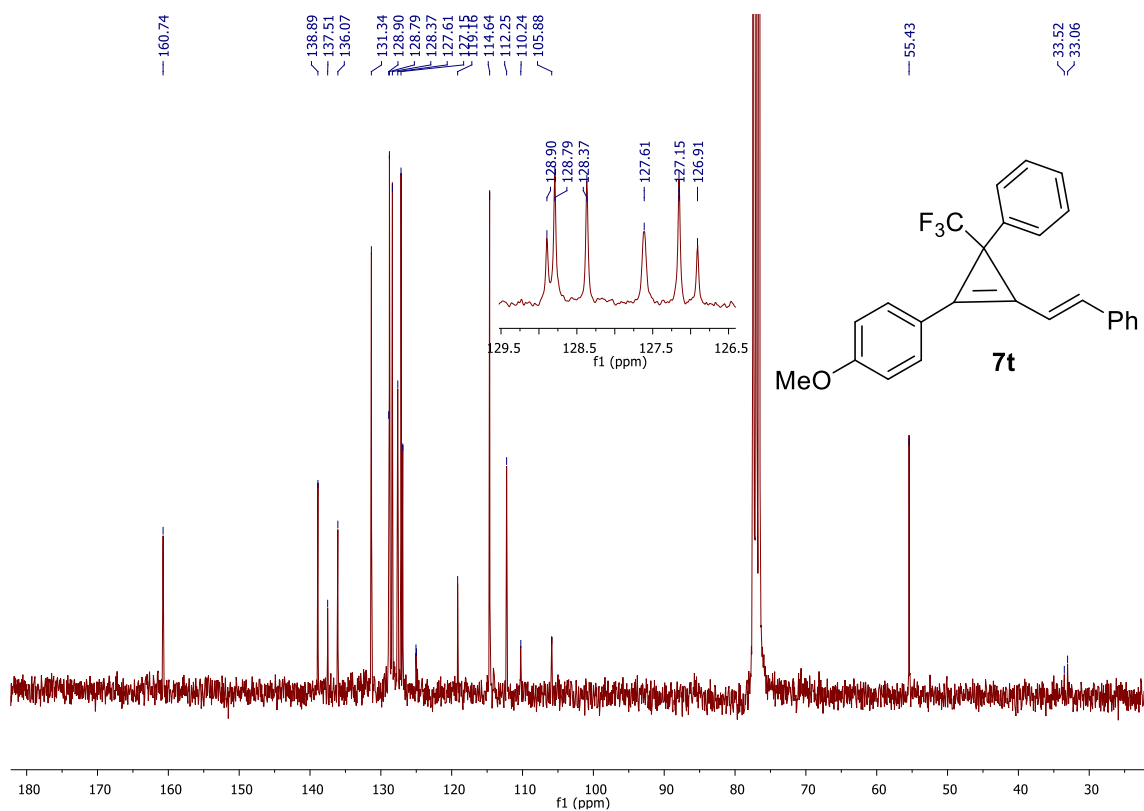
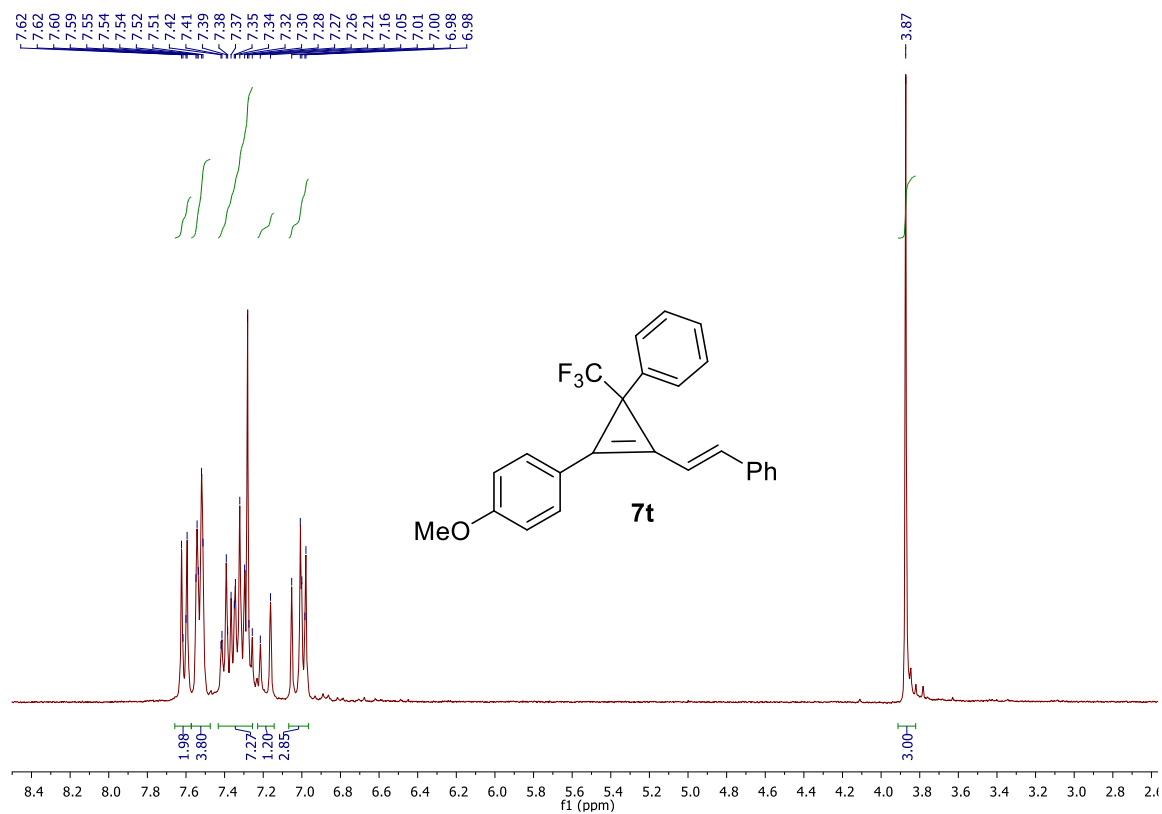


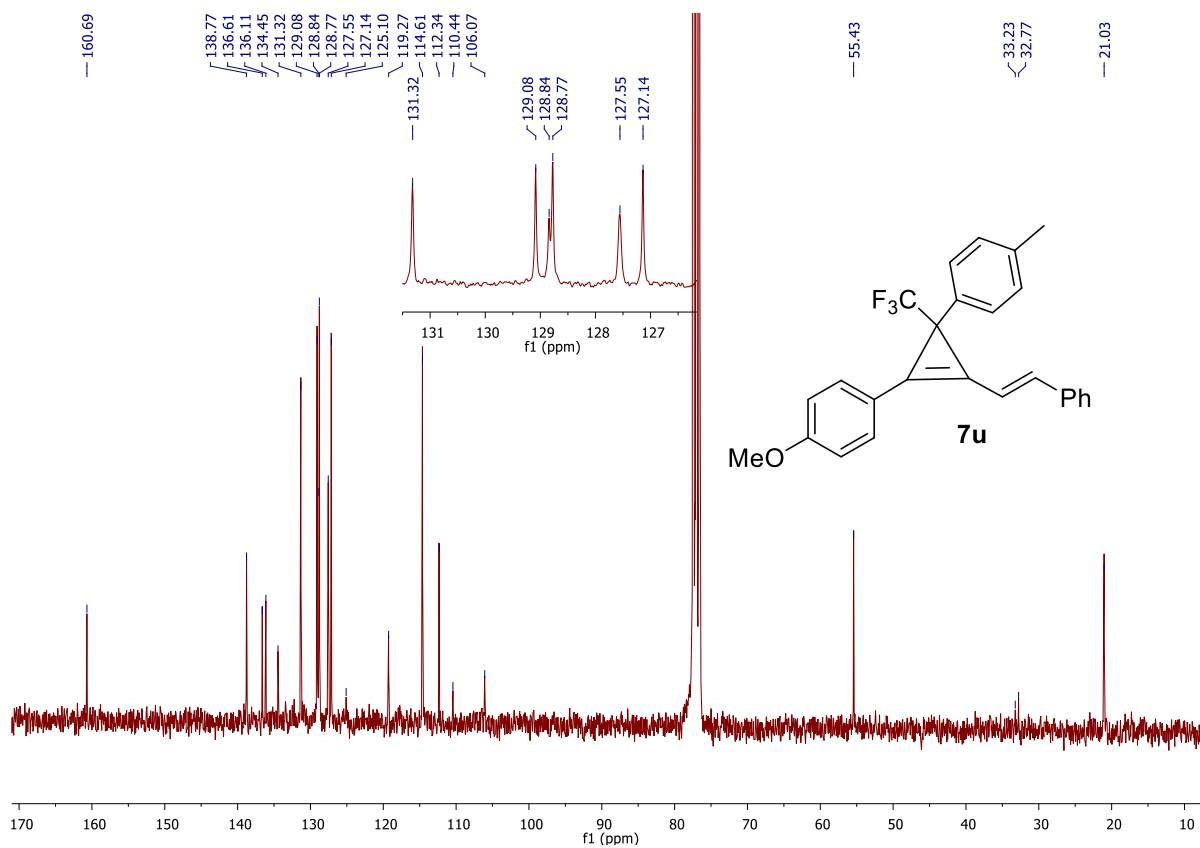
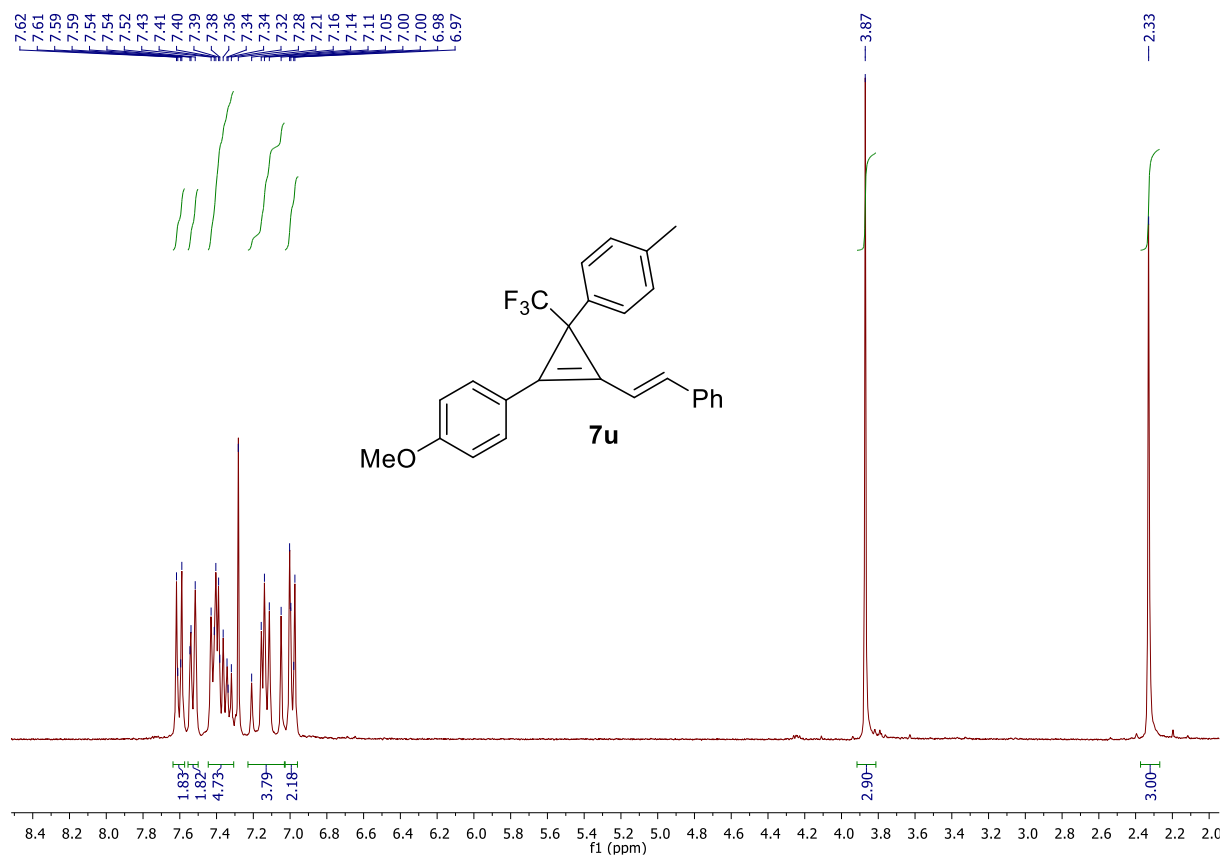


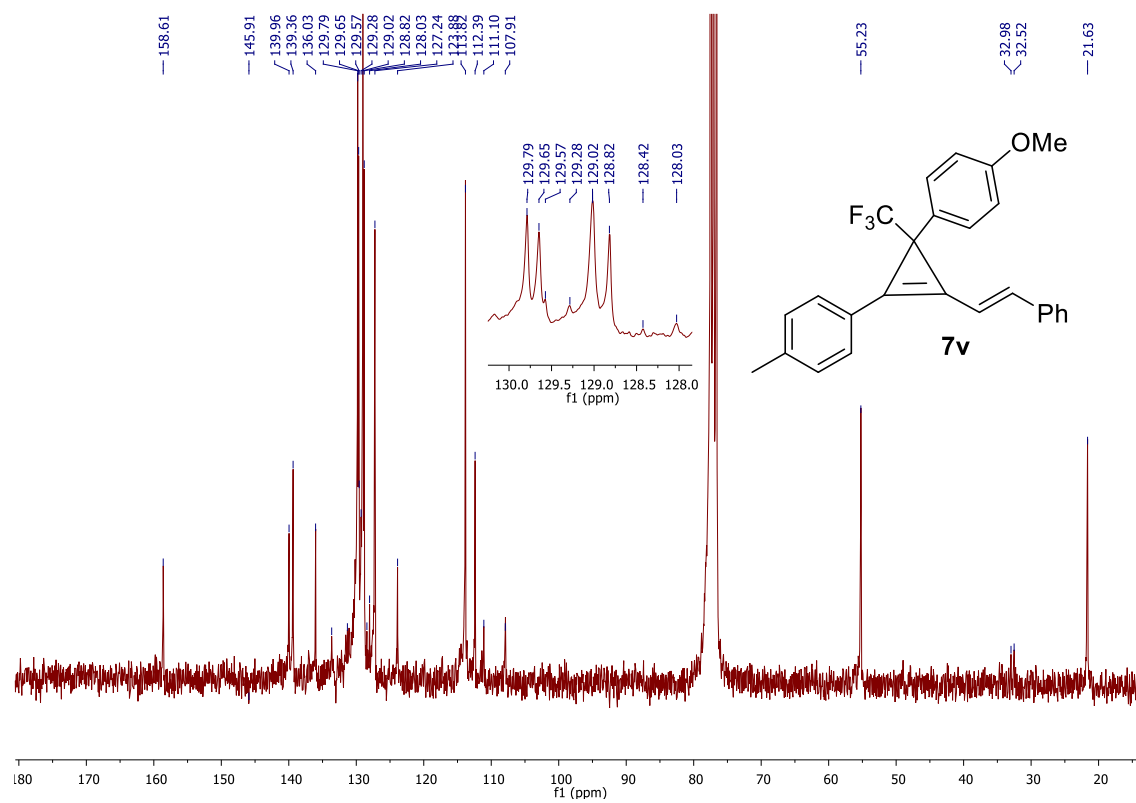
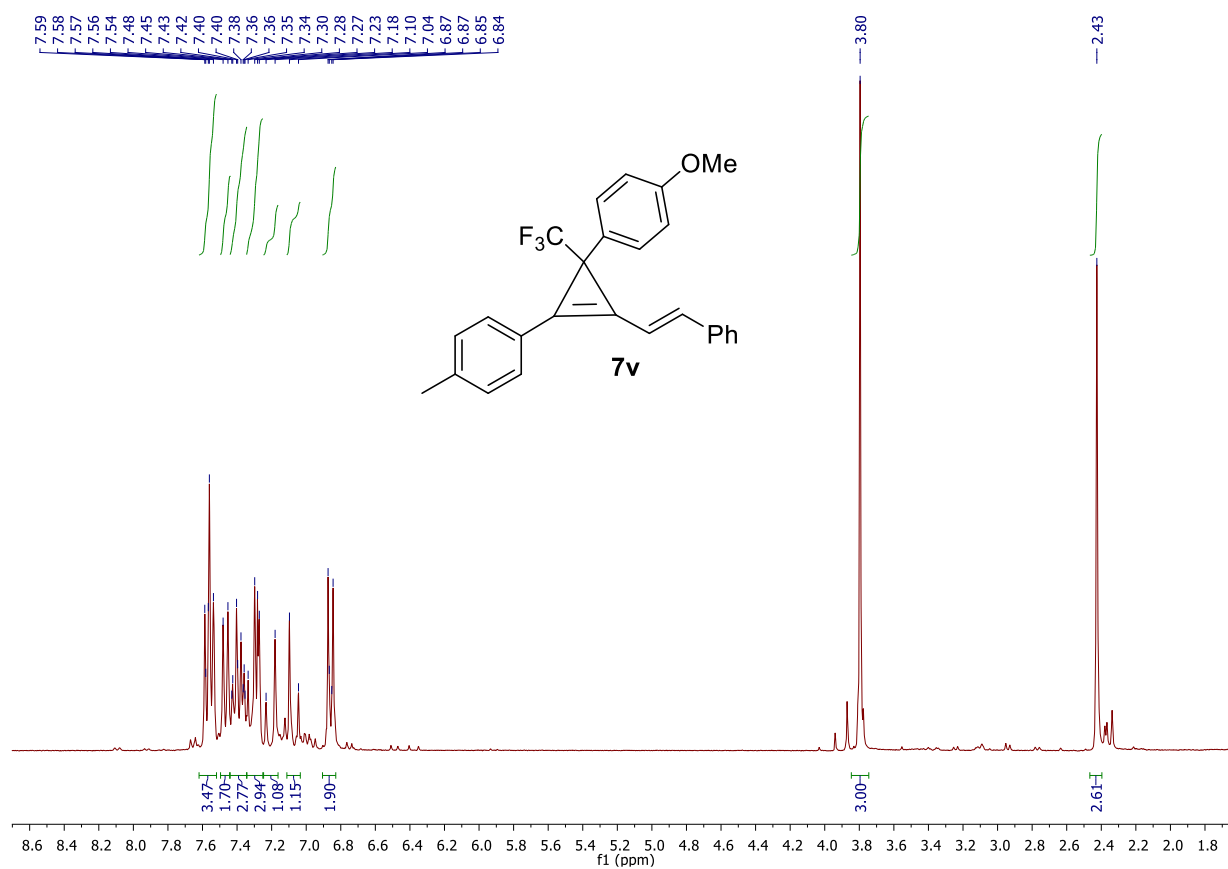


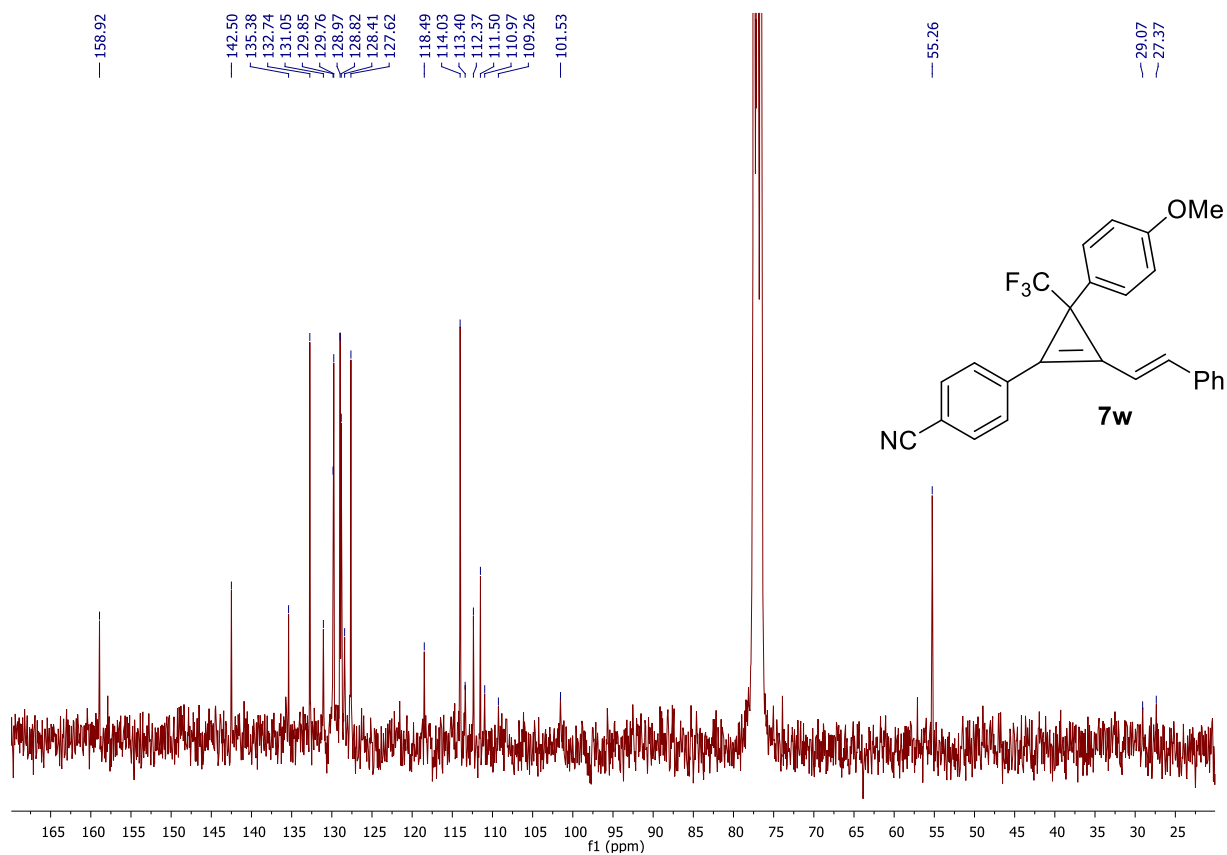
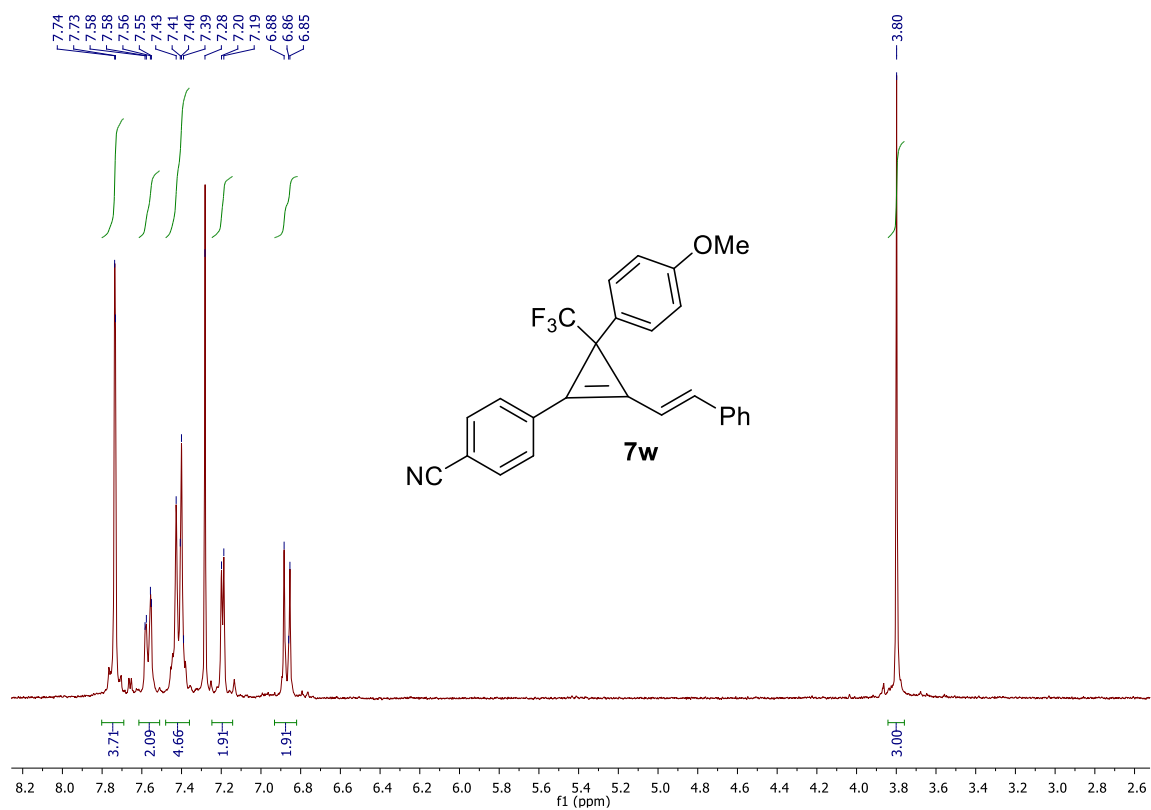


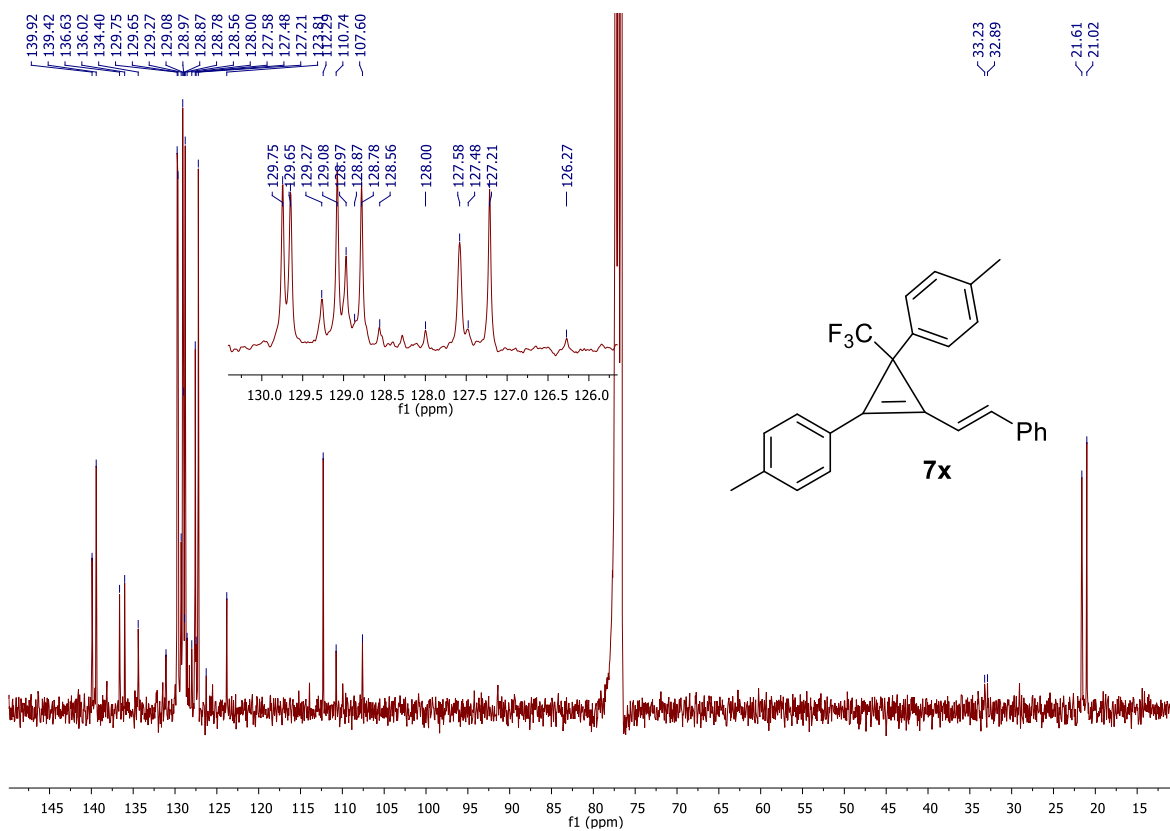
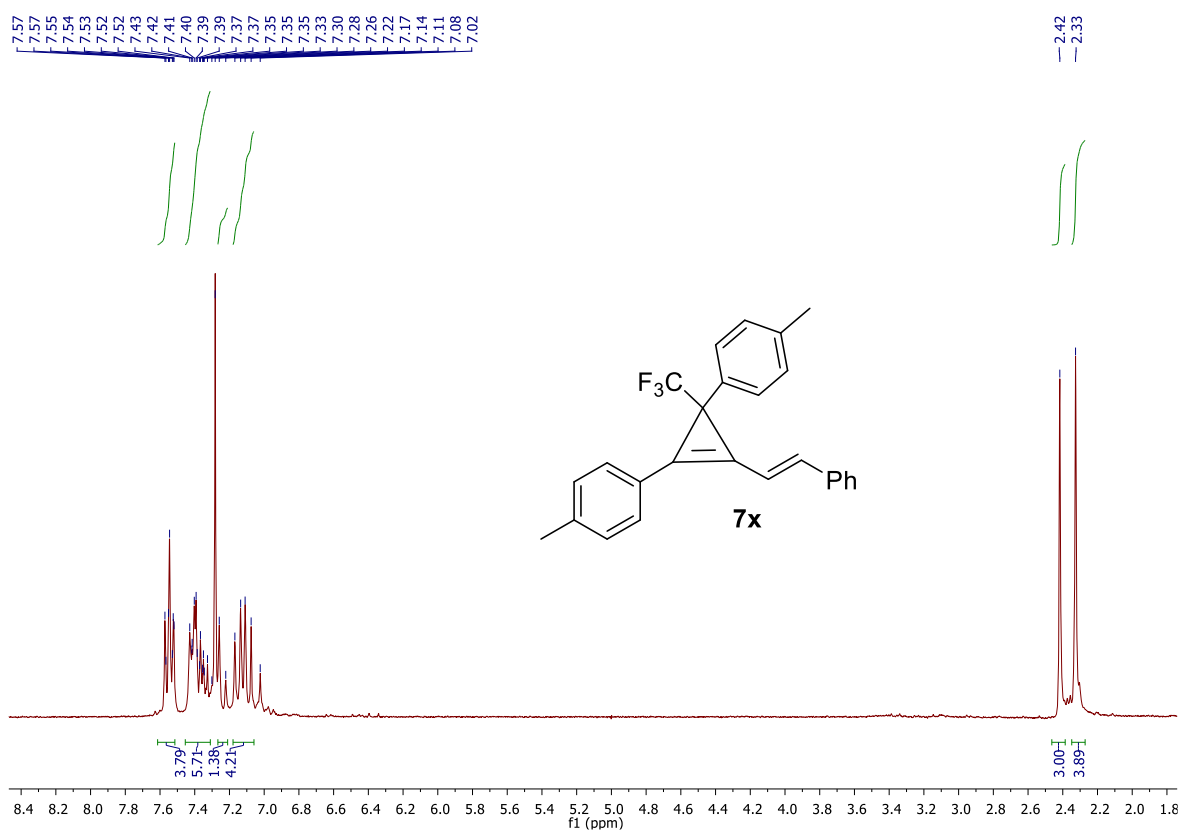






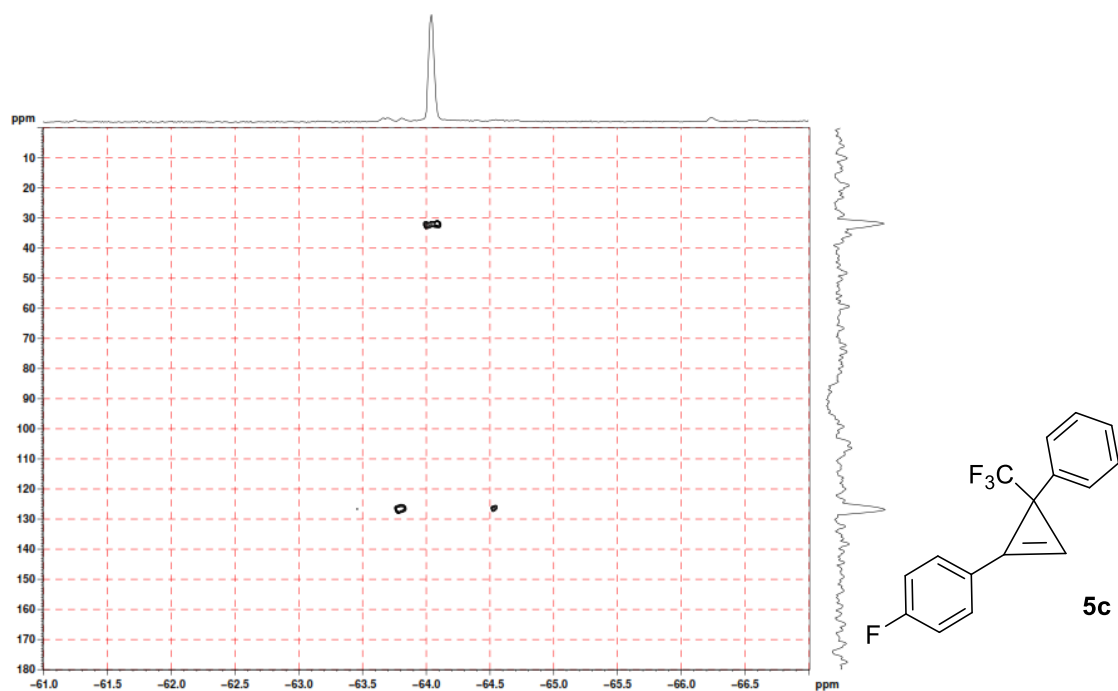
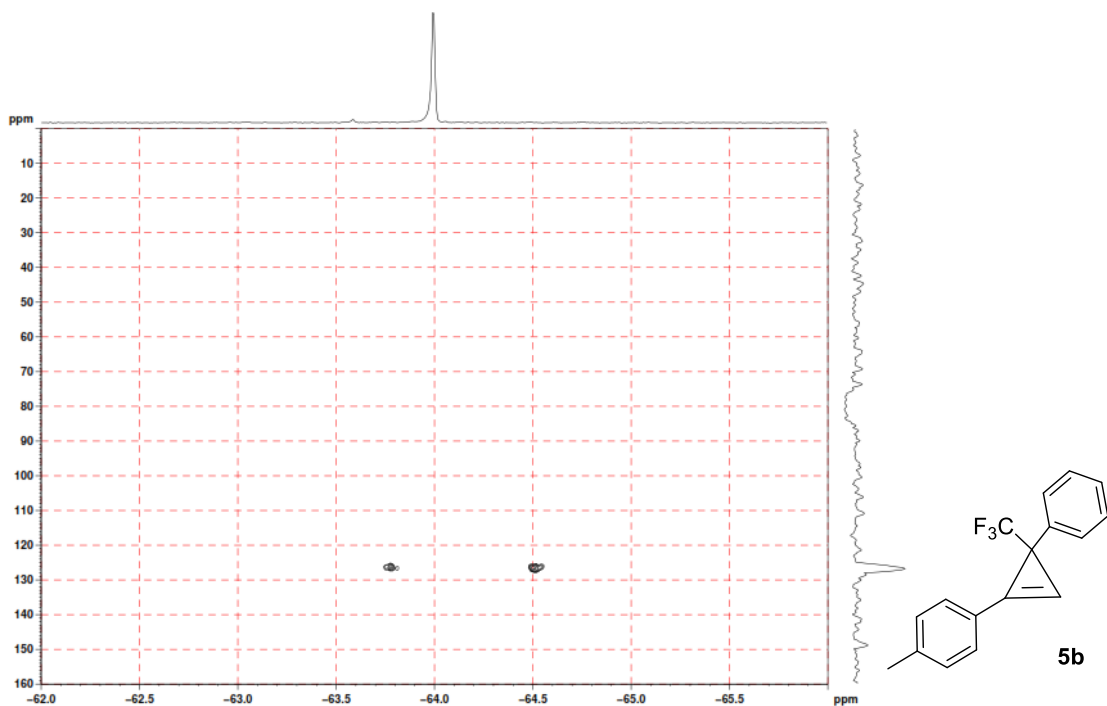


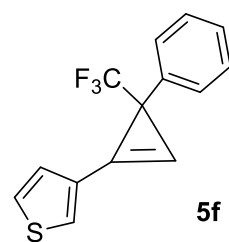
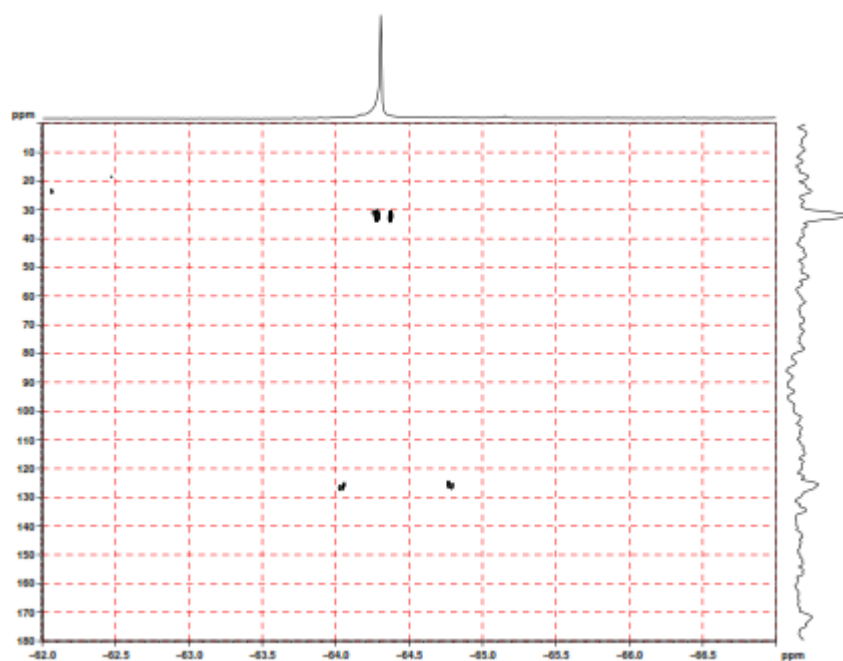
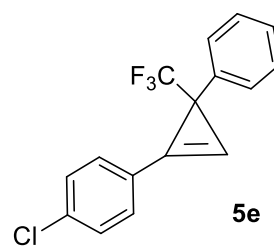
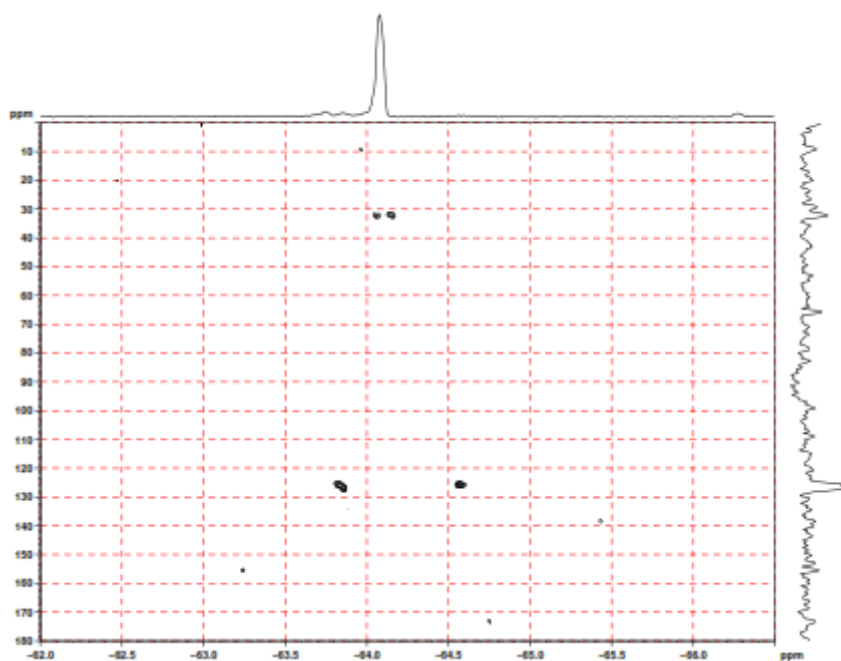


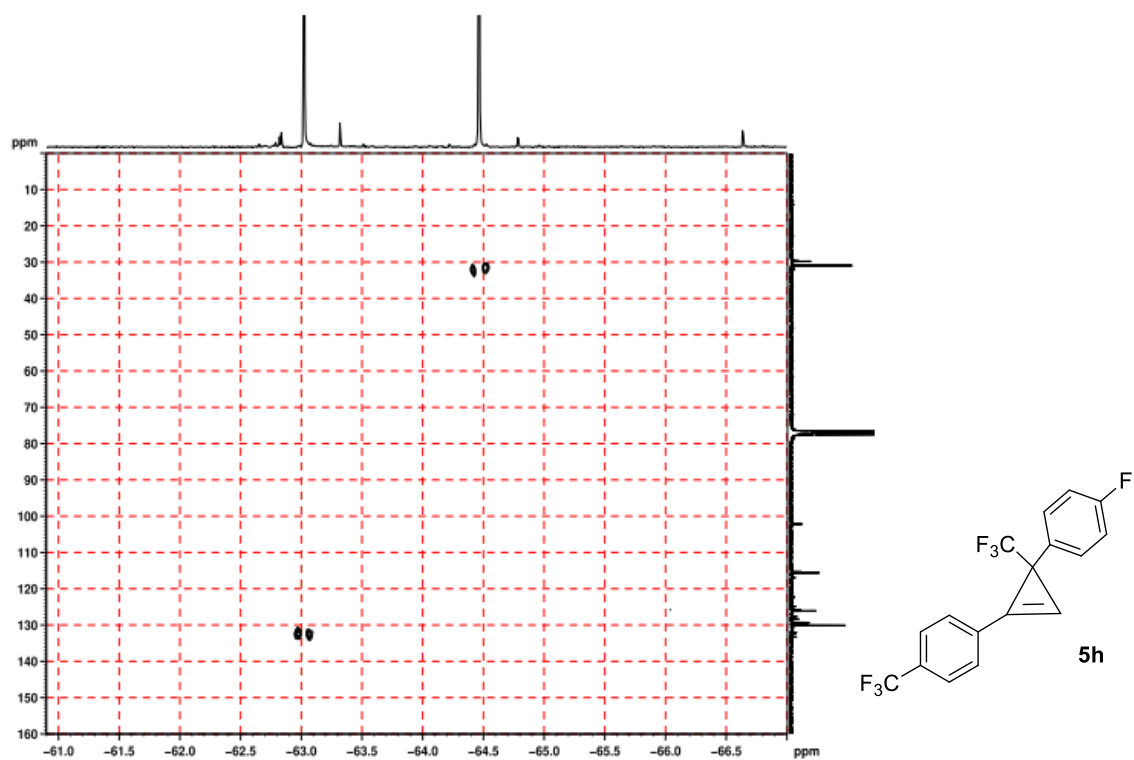
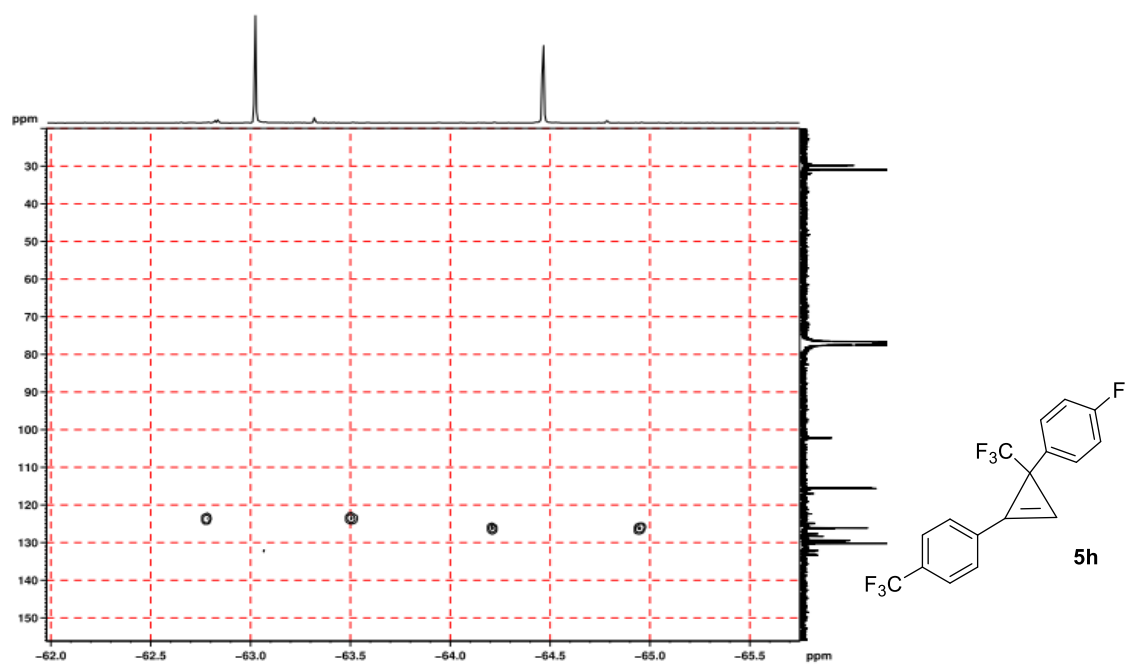


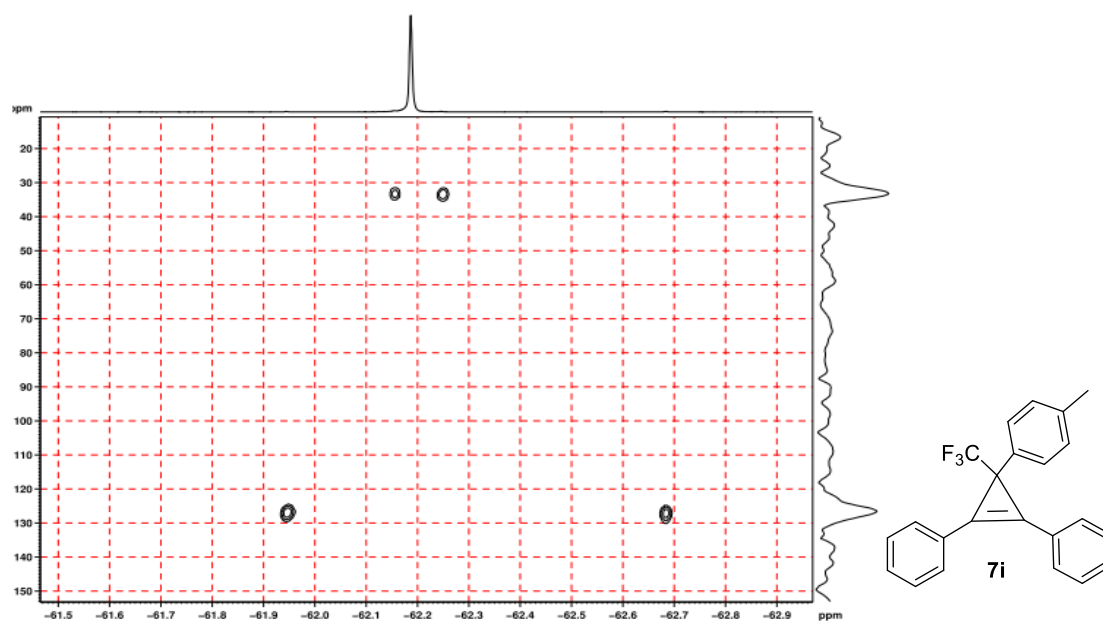
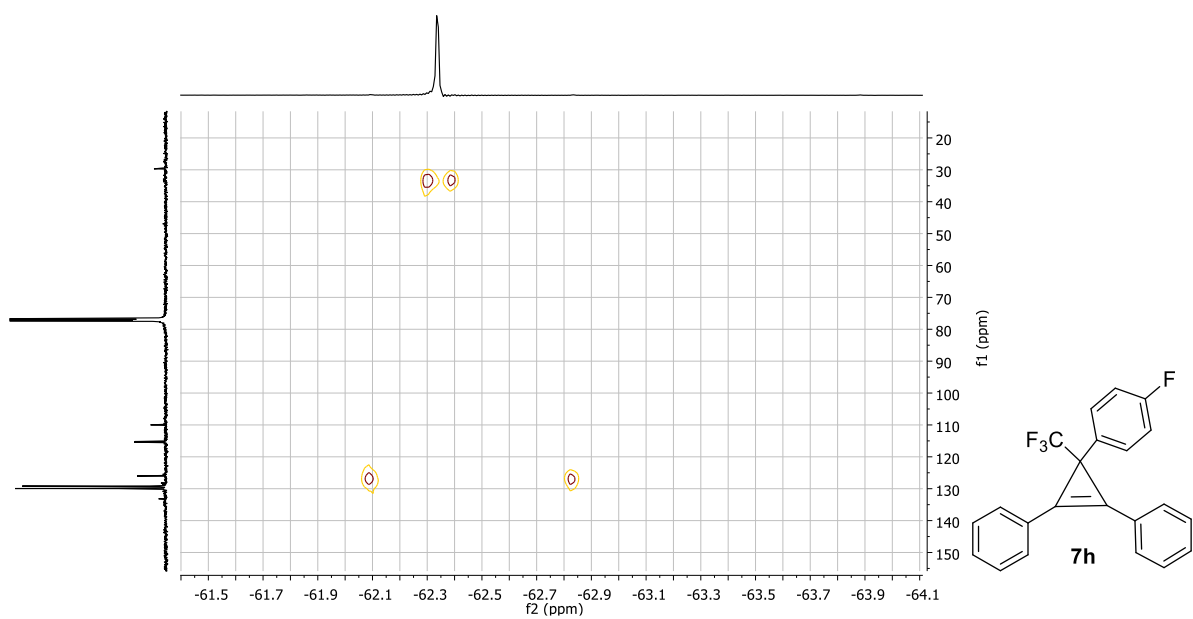
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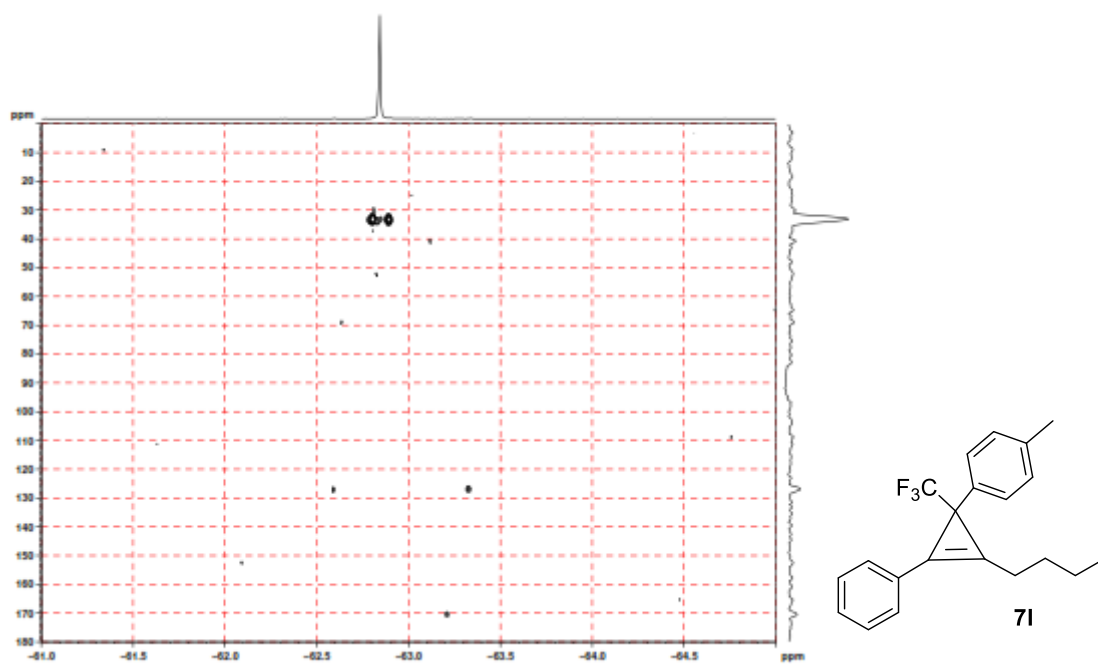
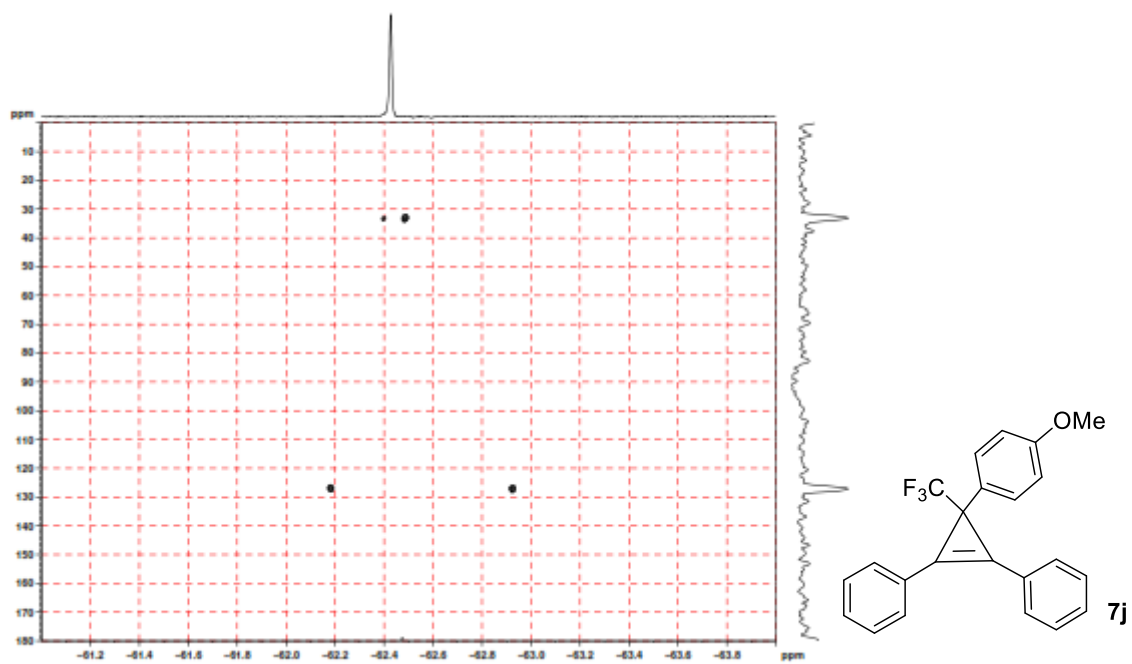
HMQC (C-F) experiments are provided to locate the chemical shift for CF_3 (~ 126 ppm) and C- CF_3 (~ 30 ppm) in ^{13}C NMR for those examples in which it could not be identified in the 1D ^{13}C NMR due to overlapping with aromatic signals and very slow relaxation respectively.

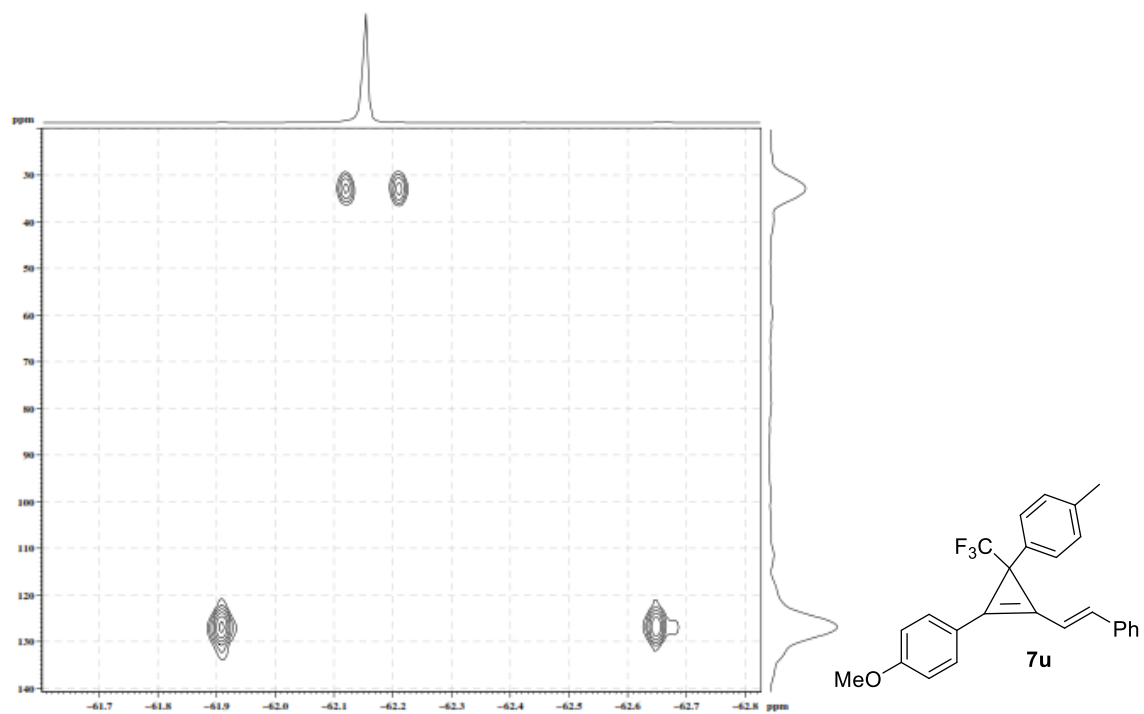
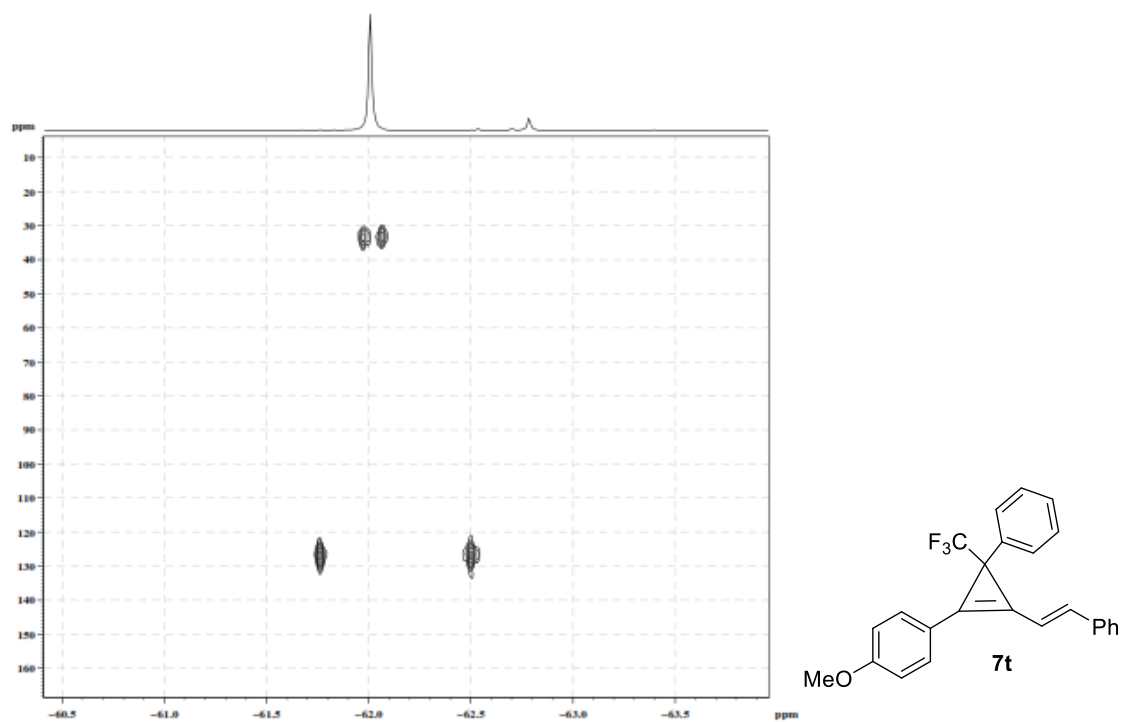


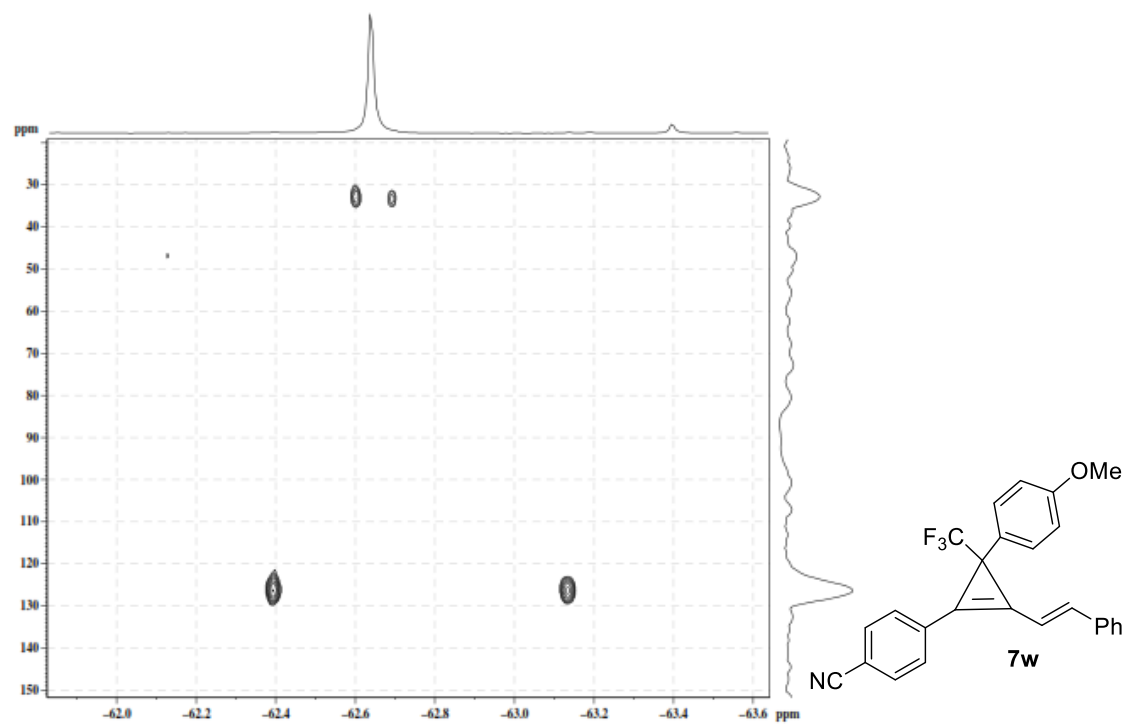
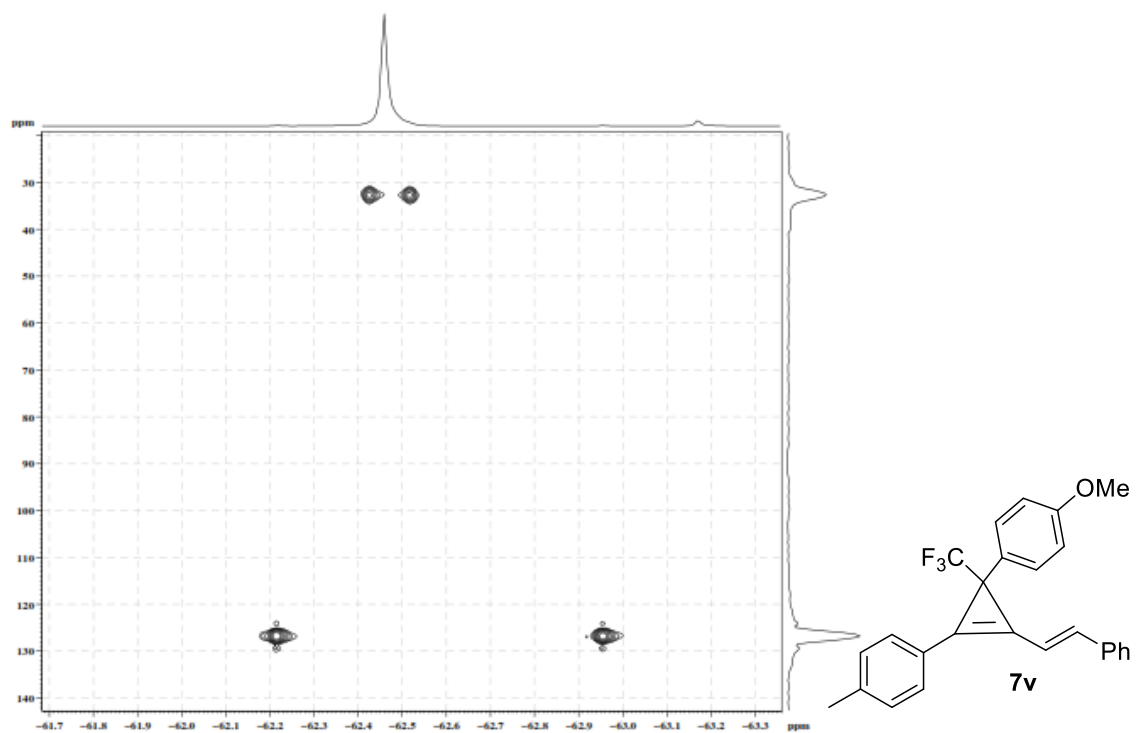


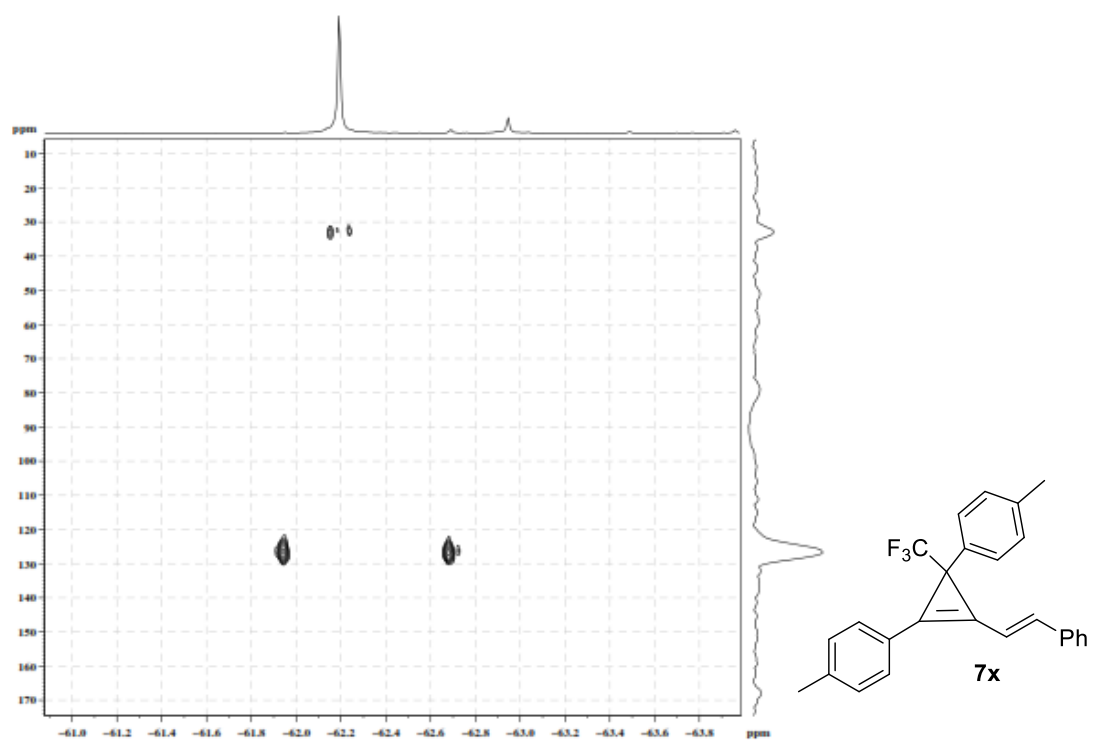












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