

Supporting Information for:

Regiocontrolled synthesis of hetero(aryl) and alkenyl dehydropyrrolidines, dehydropiperidines and azepenes by Ru-catalyzed heteroatom-directed α -C-H activation/cross-coupling of cyclic enamides with boronic acids

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2. Experimental Section

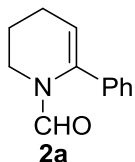
All experiments involving air and moisture-sensitive reagents were carried out under an inert atmosphere of argon or nitrogen and using freshly distilled solvents. Et₂O and THF were distilled either from sodium benzophenone ketyl or using the Grubbs system. All electrophiles that were not newly purchased were distilled immediately before use. TMEDA was distilled on a short path, over CaH₂. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (230-400 mesh). Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on silica plates. Visualization of the TLC plates was aided by UV irradiation at 254 nm or by KMnO₄, CAM, and *p*-anisaldehyde staining. All reported cold temperatures were internal to a reaction vessel. Unless otherwise indicated, ¹H, ¹³C, and DEPT-135, COSY 45 and HMQC (or HSQC) spectra were acquired using C₆D₆ or CDCl₃ as solvent at room temperature. Chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million (ppm).

(General) Representative Procedure A: Ru-catalyzed arylation

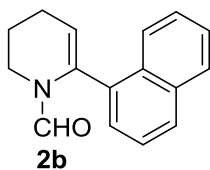
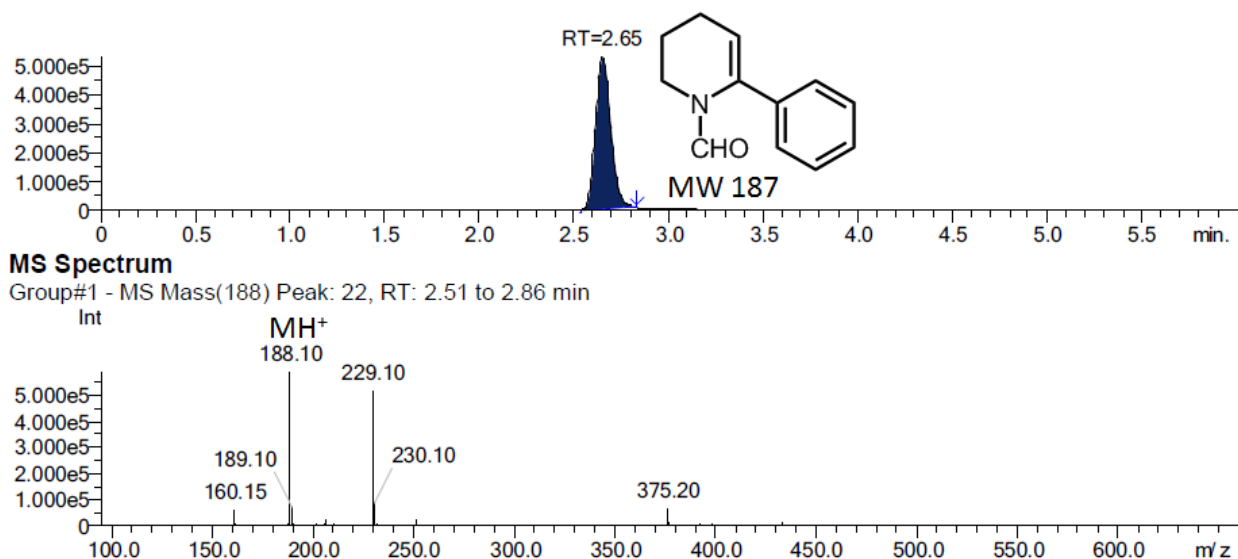
A mixture of *enamide 1a* (111 mg, 1.00 mmol), phenylboronic acid (183 mg, 1.50 mmol, 1.5 equiv), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)]₂ (6 mg, 2.0 mol %) and Cu(OTf)₂ (362 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Ag₂O (347 mg, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv) in dioxane (5.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C under nitrogen atmosphere for 18 h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with saturated aq. NH₄Cl solution (25 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 25 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (15 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation of the solvents *in vacuo*, the crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica.

General Procedure B: Catalytic hydrogenation

EtOAc was added to a flask containing 10% Pd/C at room temperature. The flask was degassed and placed under an inert atmosphere of nitrogen. A solution of the *enamide* in EtOAc was added. After complete addition, the nitrogen line was cut off and then replaced with a balloon of hydrogen. After complete consumption of the *enamide* (based on LC-MS and TLC monitoring), the mixture was filtered through a plug of Celite and concentrated under reduced pressure.



Prepared from **1a** (111 mg, 1.0 mmol) and phenyl boronic acid (183 mg, 1.5 equiv), using General Procedure A. T = 80 °C, time = 18 h; Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with hexane/EtOAc (70:30). Yield = 133 mg, 70%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.39 (1H), 7.07 to 6.98 (5H), 4.76 (1H), 3.66 to 3.63 (2H), 1.72 to 1.68 (2H), 1.37 to 1.28 (2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 160.4, 138.5, 137.0, 128.5, 128.0, 127.8, 111.4, 39.0, 23.0, 21.9. HRMS calc for C₁₂H₁₃NO 187.0997, found 187.0995. Data as previously reported by us.¹

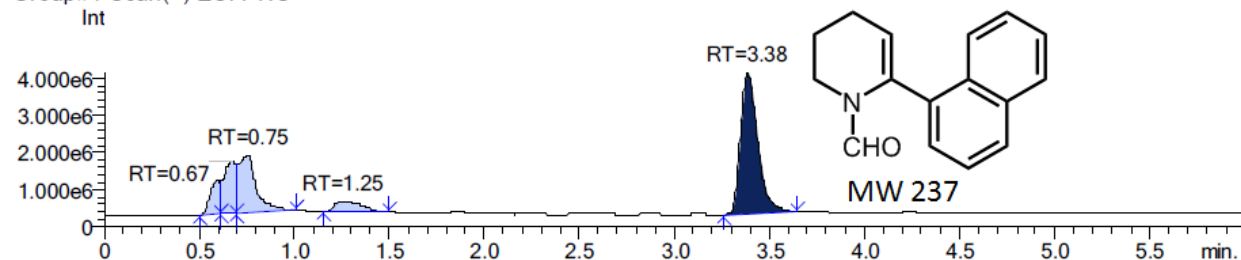


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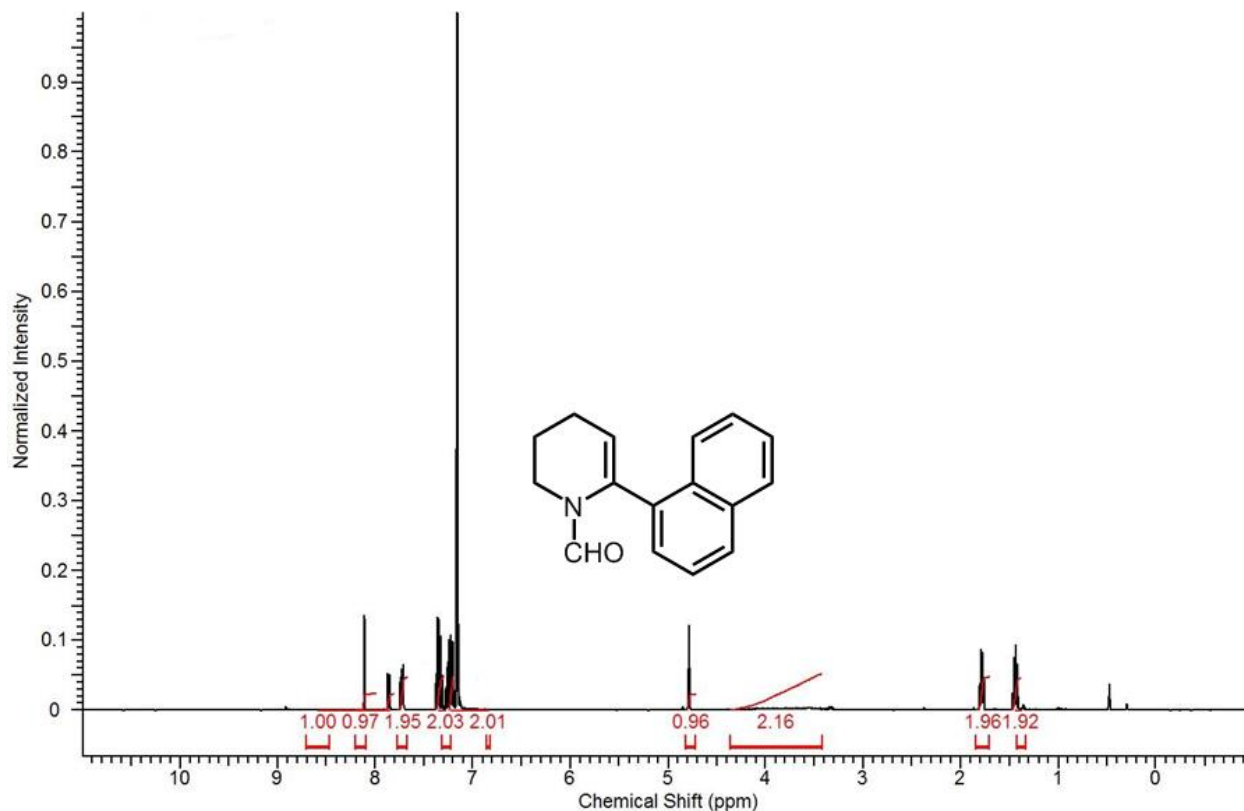
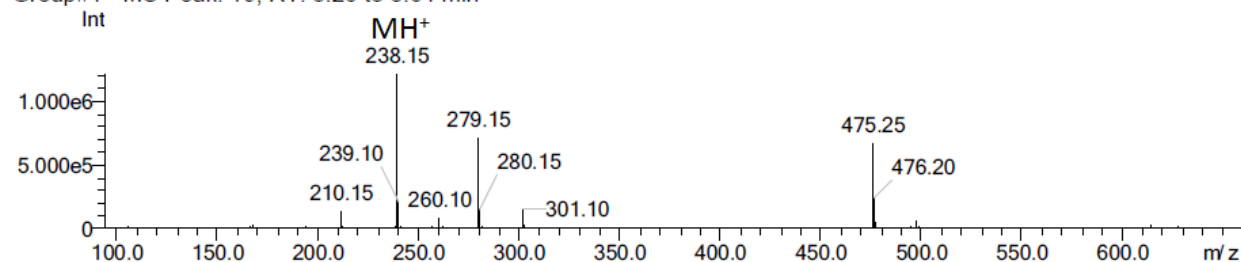
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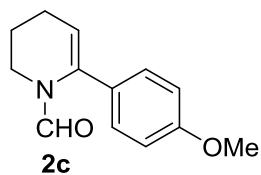
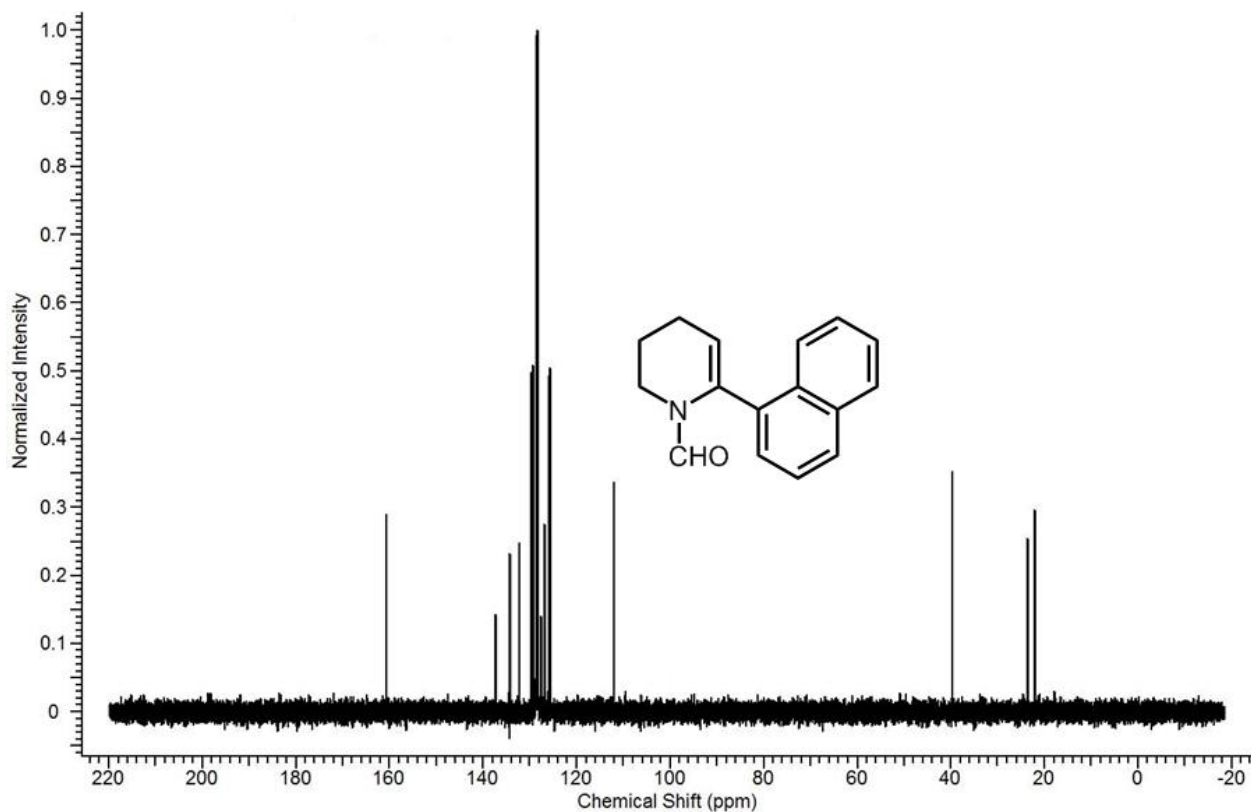
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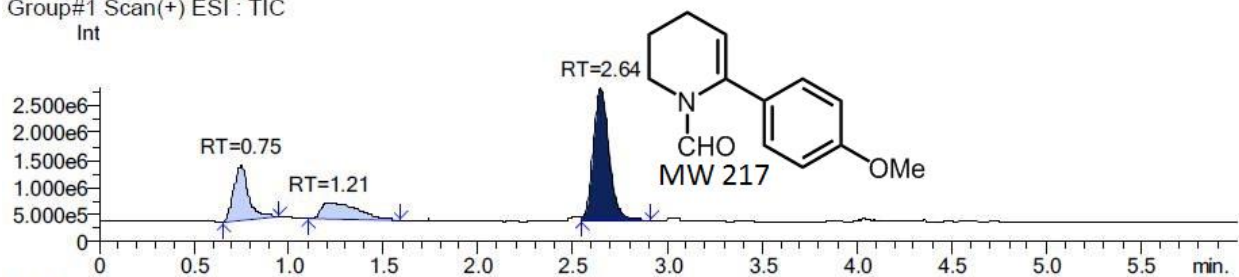




Prepared from **1a** (111 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 4-methoxyphenylboronic acid (229 mg, 1.5 equiv) using **General Procedure A**. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with hexane/EtOAc (50:50). Yield = 173.6 mg, 80%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.43 (1H), 7.04 to 7.01 (2H), 6.68 to 6.65 (2H), 4.81 to 4.79 (1H), 3.69 to 3.66 (2H), 3.33 (3H), 1.82 to 1.78 (2H), 1.43, 1.36 (2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 160.6, 159.7, 138.2, 133.5, 129.1, 129.1, 114.0, 110.4, 54.6, 39.1, 23.0, 22.1. HRMS calc for C₁₃H₁₅NO₂ 217.1103, found 217.1106. Data as previously reported by us.¹

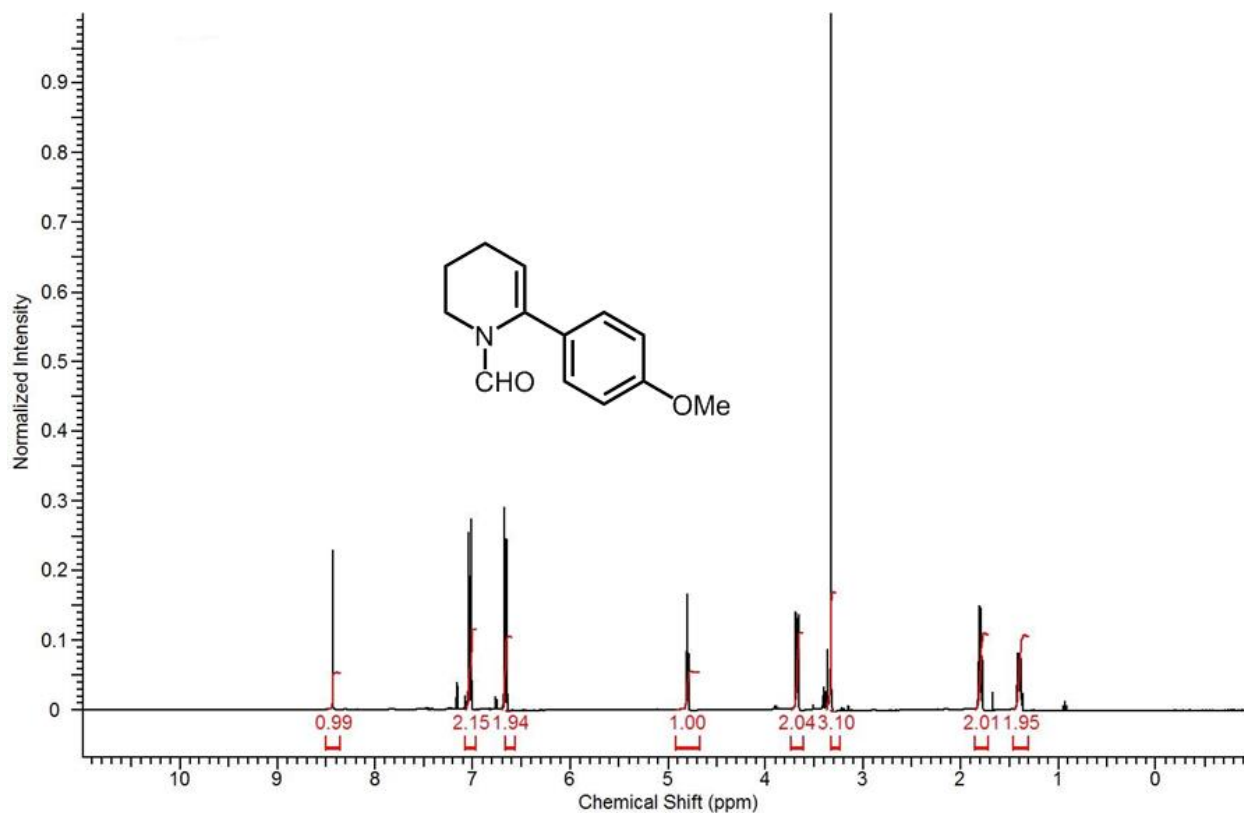
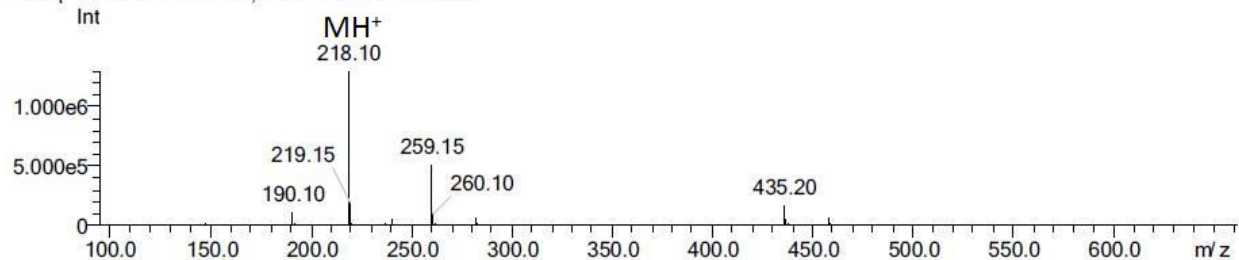
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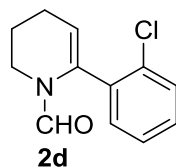
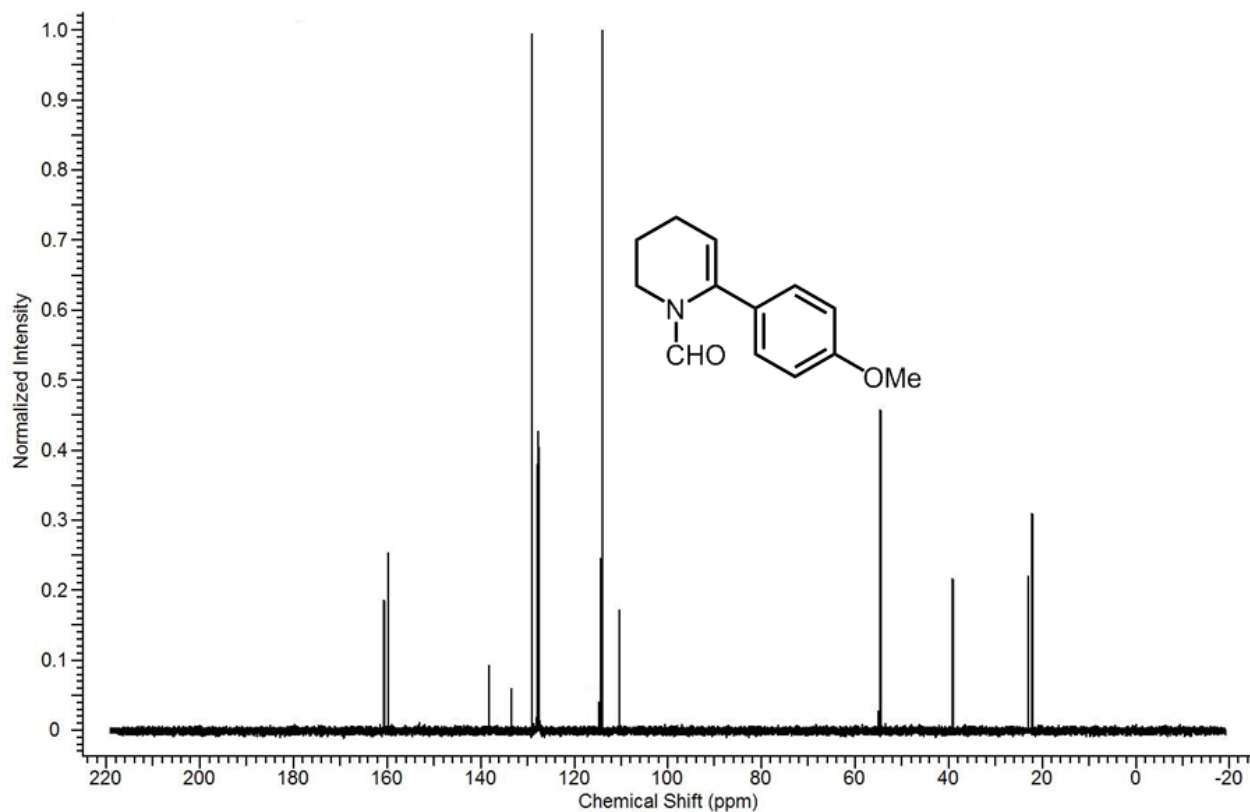
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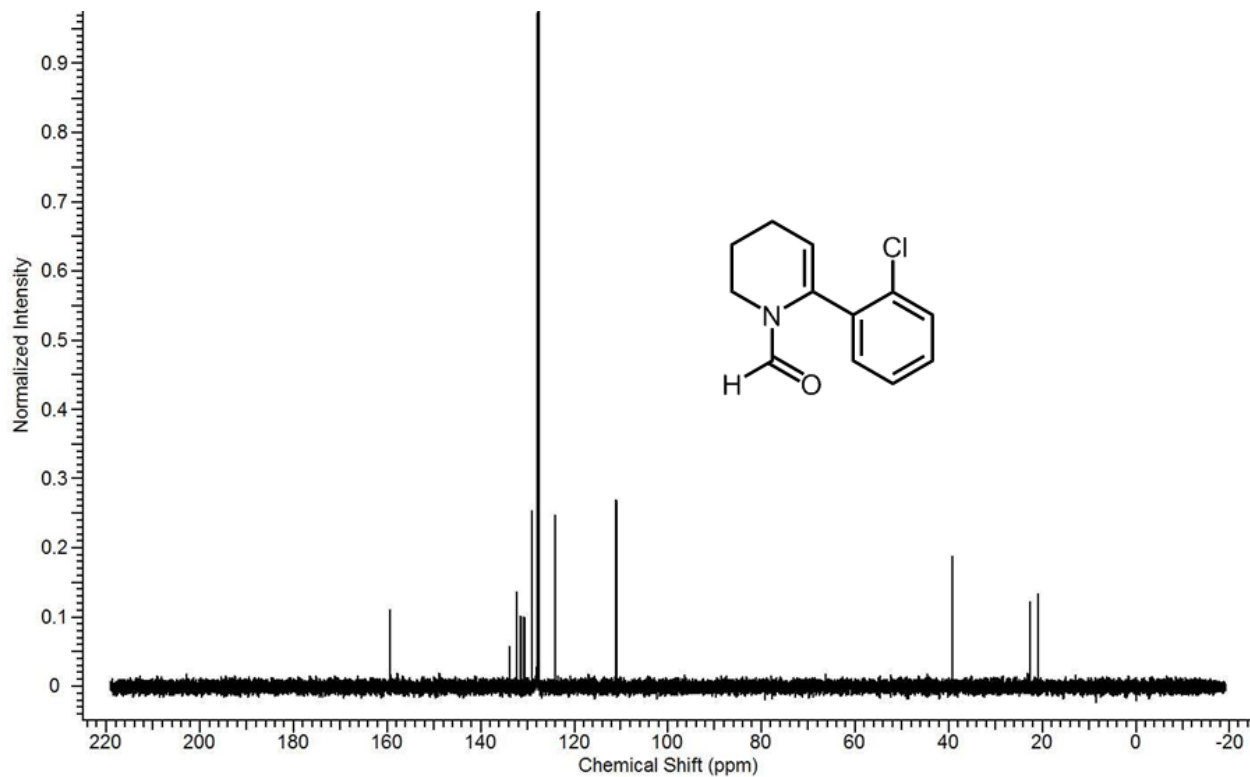
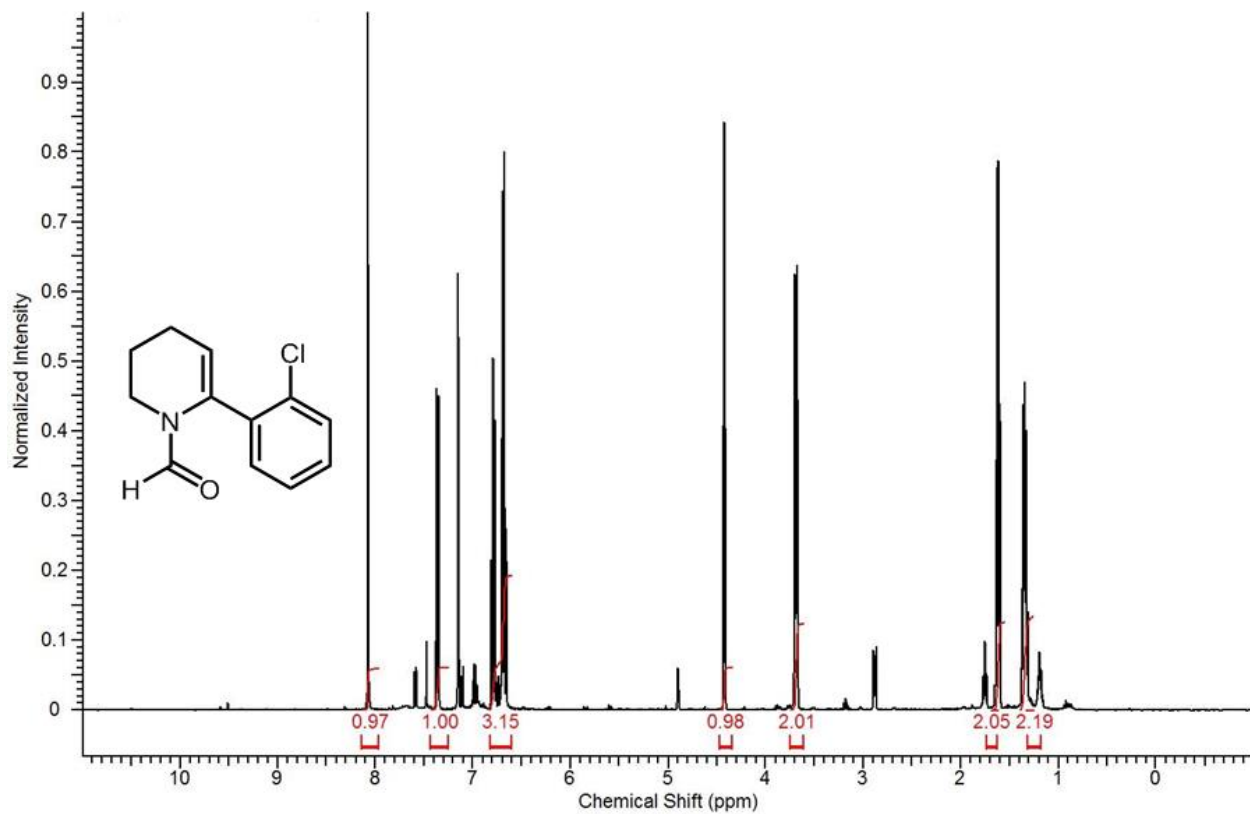
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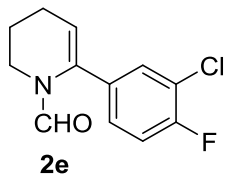
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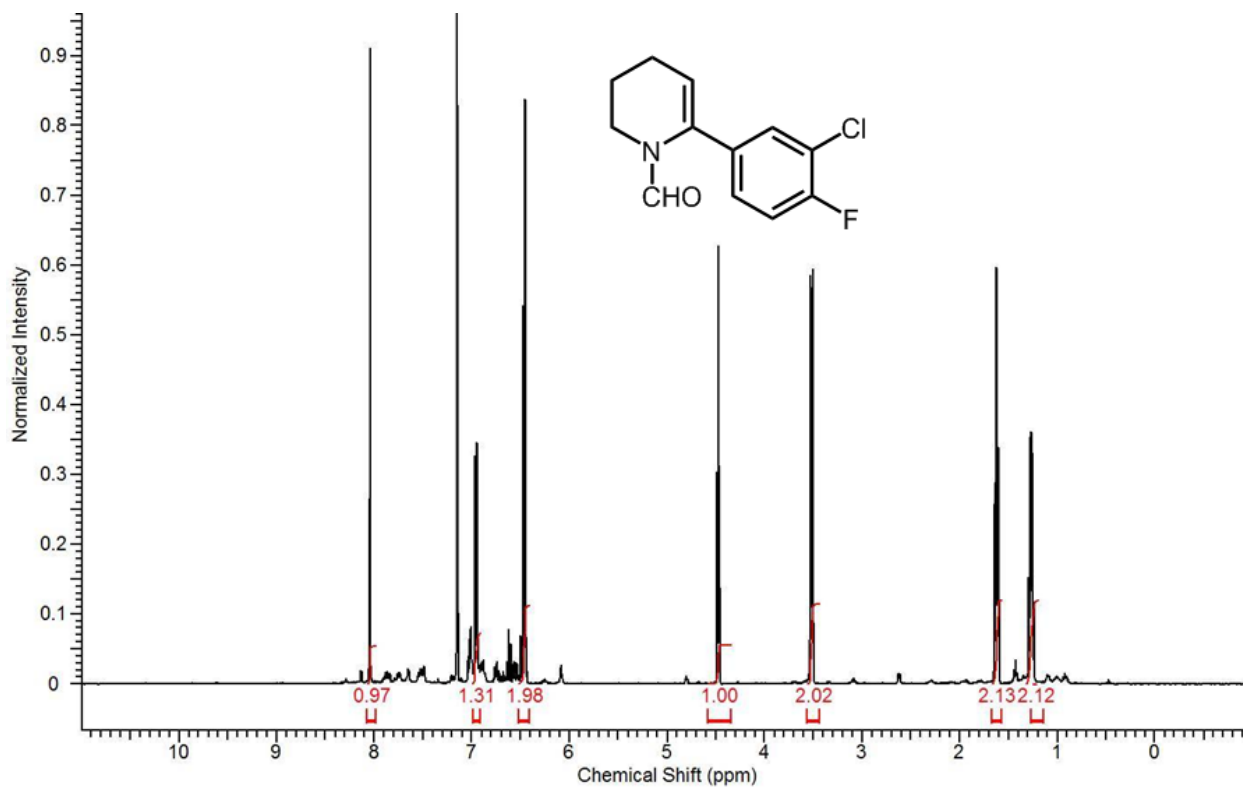


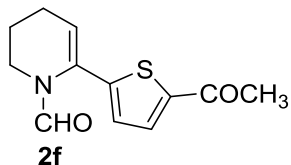
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Prepared from **1a** (111 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 3-chloro-4-fluorophenylboronic acid (1.5 equiv) using **General Procedure A** at 80 °C for 36 h. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with hexane/EtOAc (90:10). Yield = 136 mg, 57%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.04 (1H), 6.97 to 6.95 (1H), 6.47 to 6.45 (2H), 4.48 to 4.46 (1H), 3.53 to 3.50 (2H), 1.64 to 1.60 (2H), 1.28 to 1.25 (2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 160.3, 136.1, 134.3, 129.9, 127.4, 127.3, 116.6, 116.4, 112.6, 39.0, 22.8, 21.7. HRMS calc for C₁₂H₁₁ClFNO 239.0513, found 239.0511. Data as previously reported by us.¹

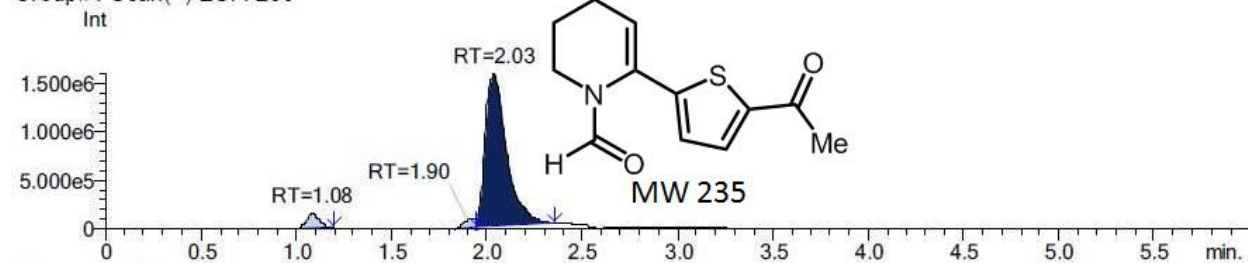




Prepared from **1a** (111 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 5-acetyl-2-thiopheneboronic acid (1.5 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with hexane/EtOAc (50:50). Yield = 181 mg, 77%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.49 (1H), 6.83 (1H), 6.46 (1H), 4.99 to 4.97 (1H), 3.51 to 3.48 (2H), 2.02 (3H), 1.56 to 1.52 (2H), 1.20 to 1.14 (2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 189.80, 160.91, 147.28, 144.41, 132.88, 132.38, 126.80, 115.79, 39.62, 26.54, 23.74, 22.39. HRMS calc for C₁₂H₁₃NO₂S 235.0667, found 235.0662.

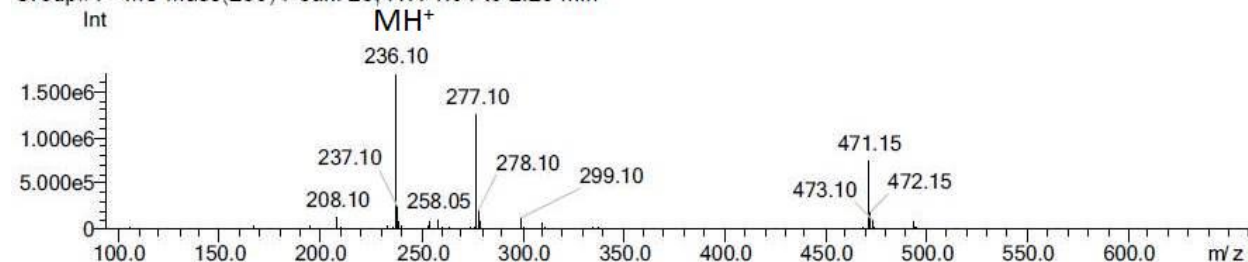
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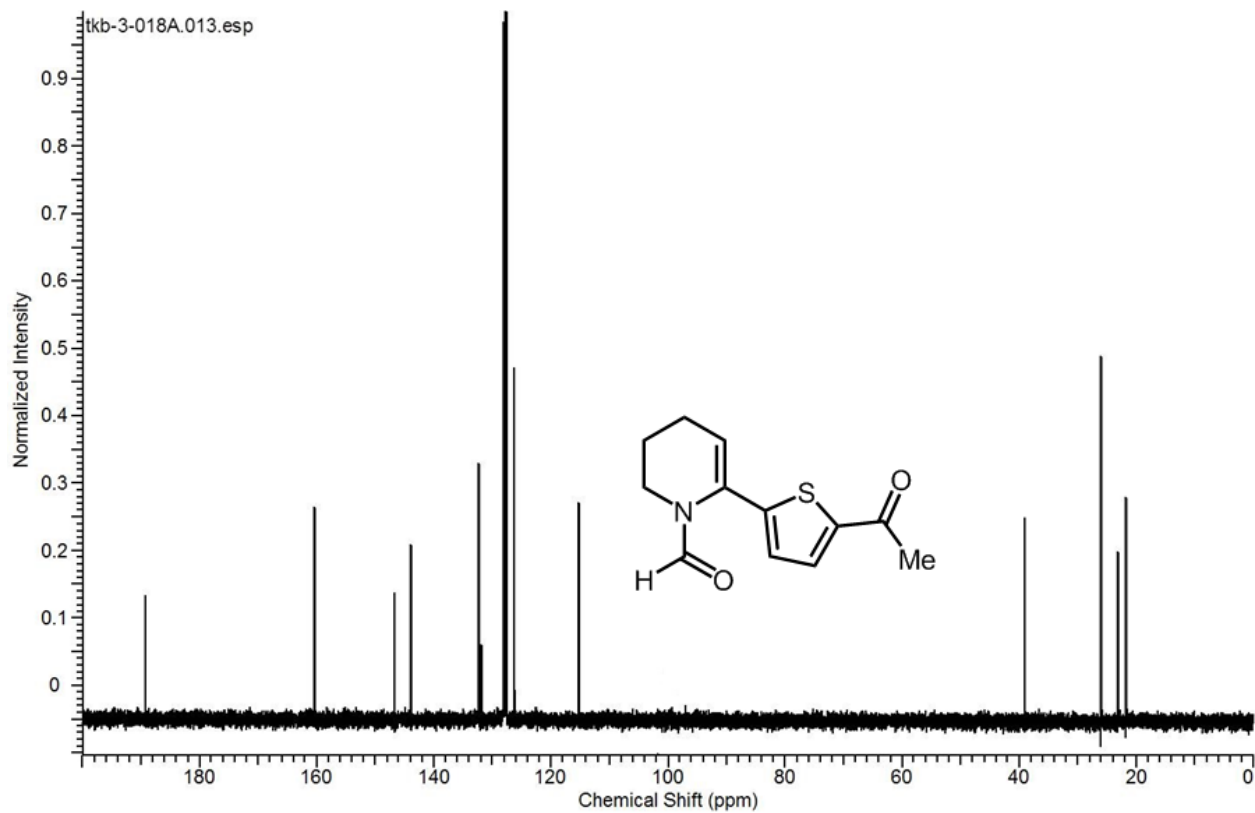
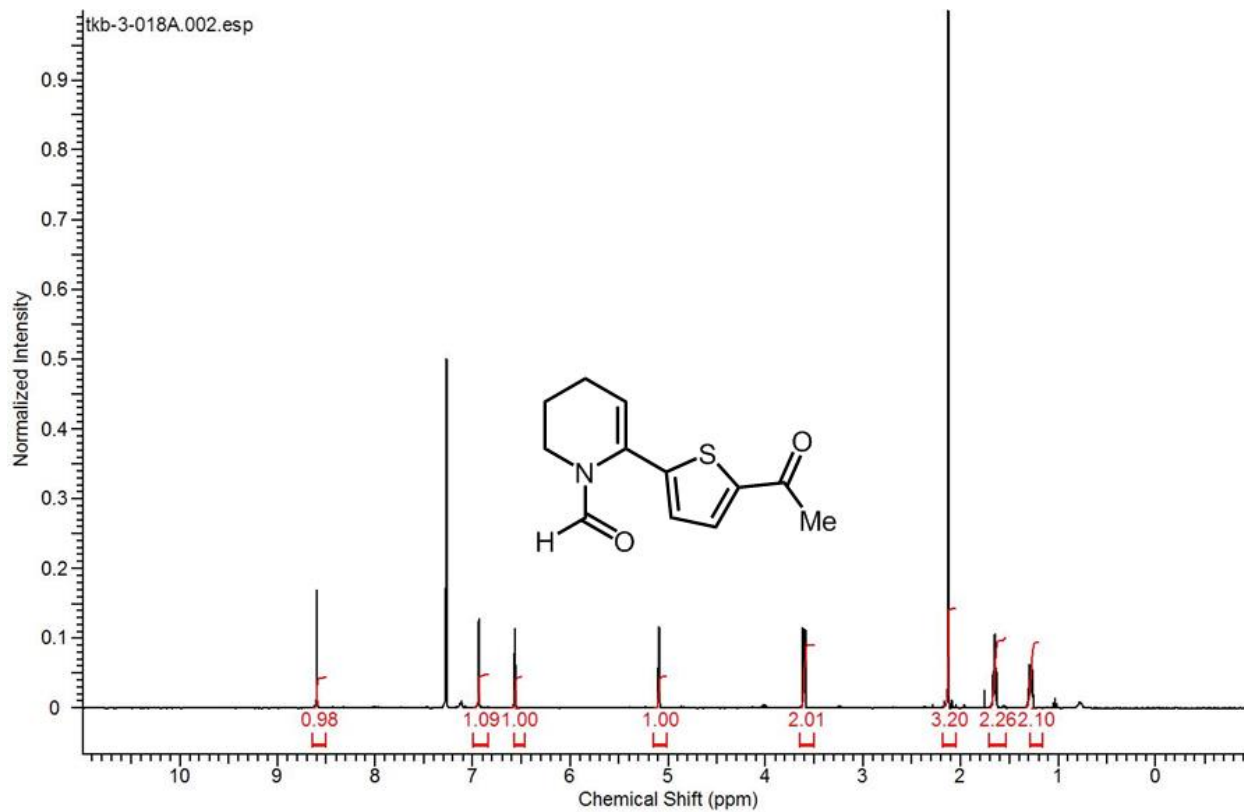
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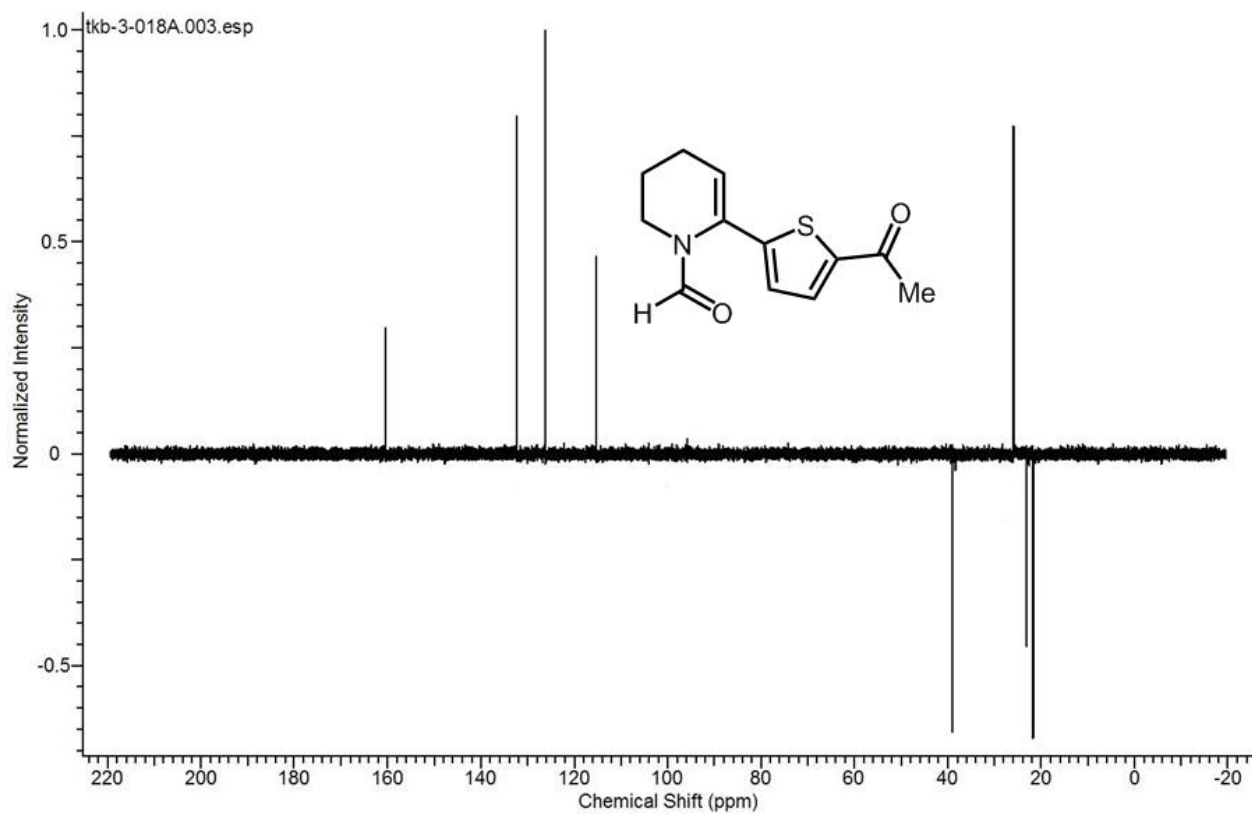


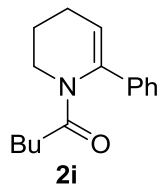
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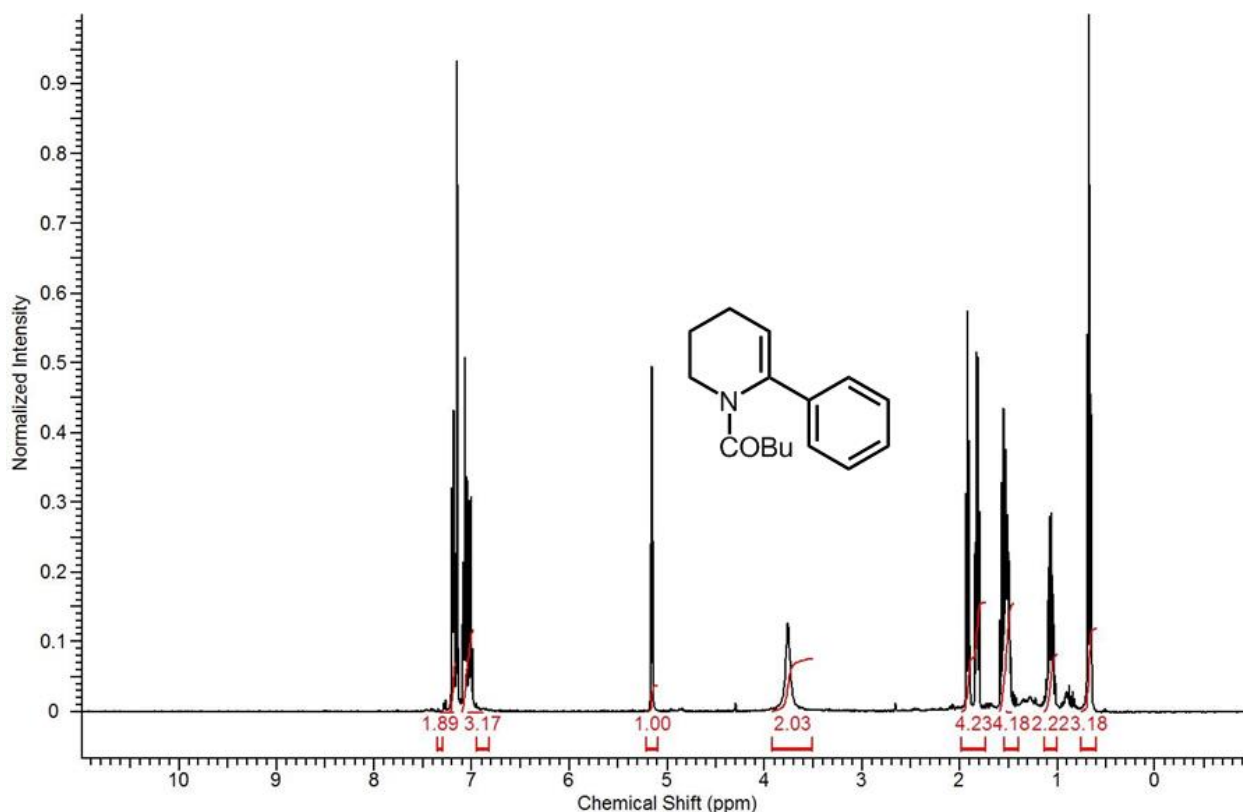


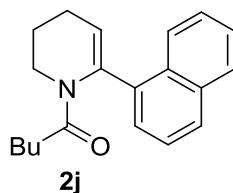
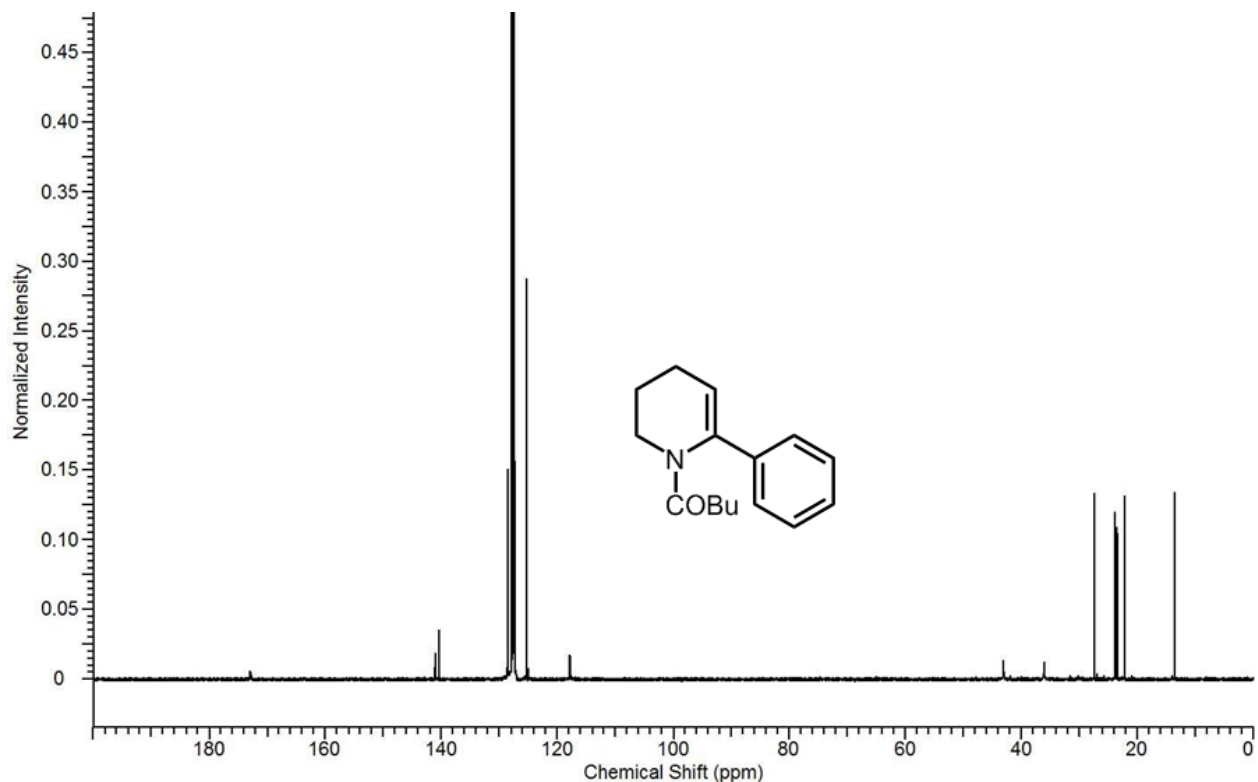




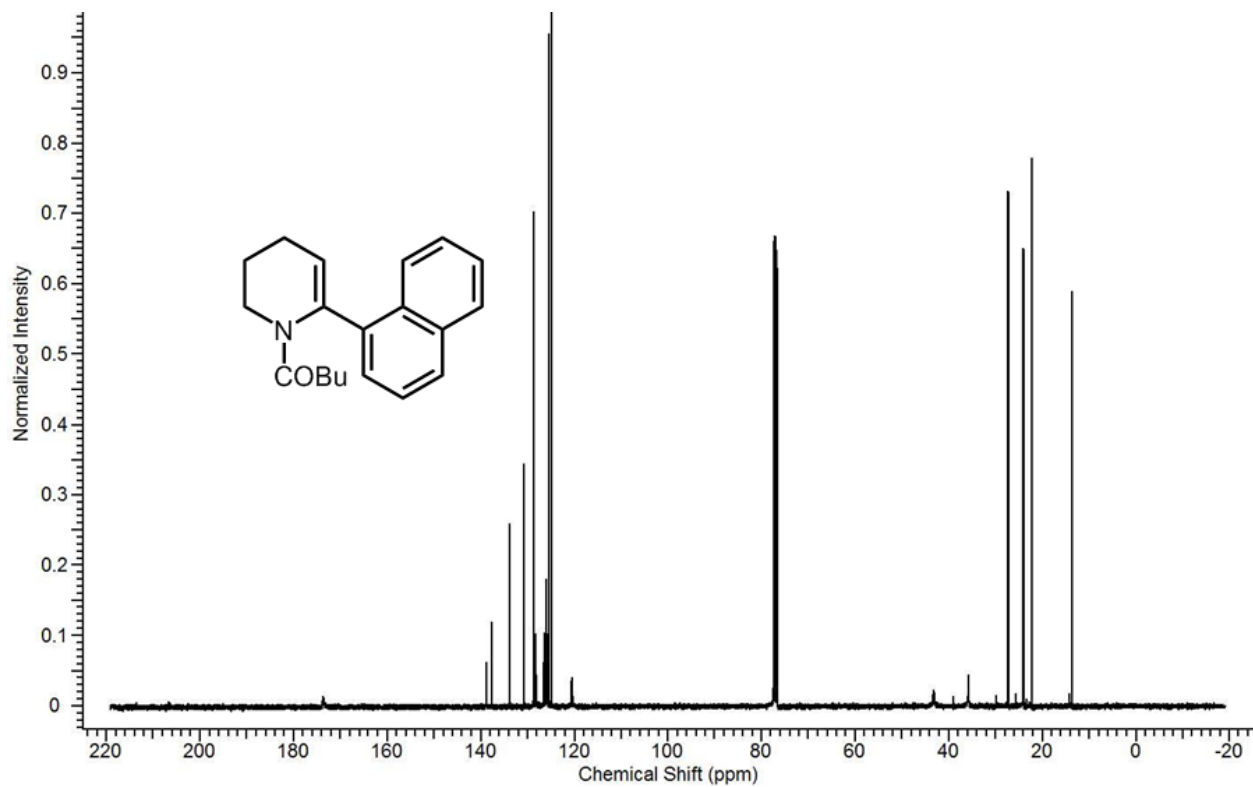
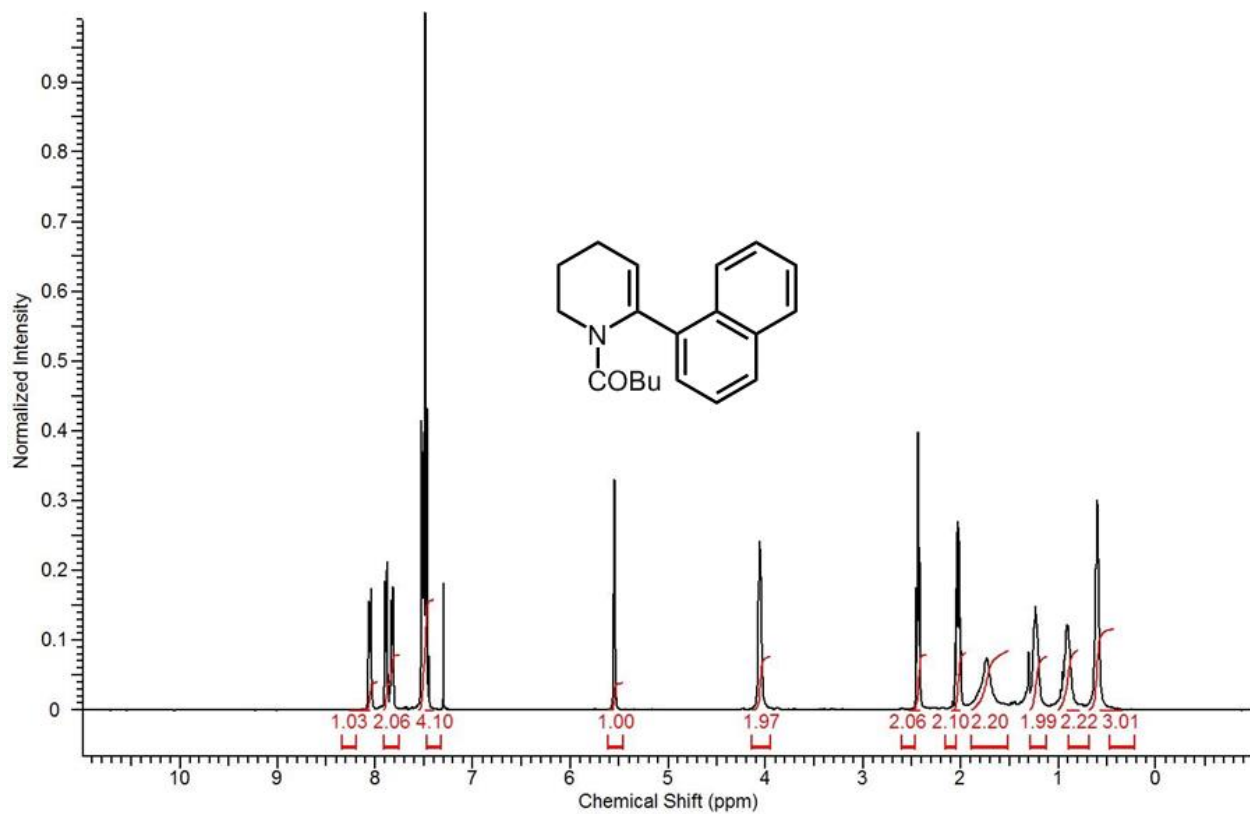


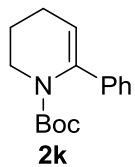
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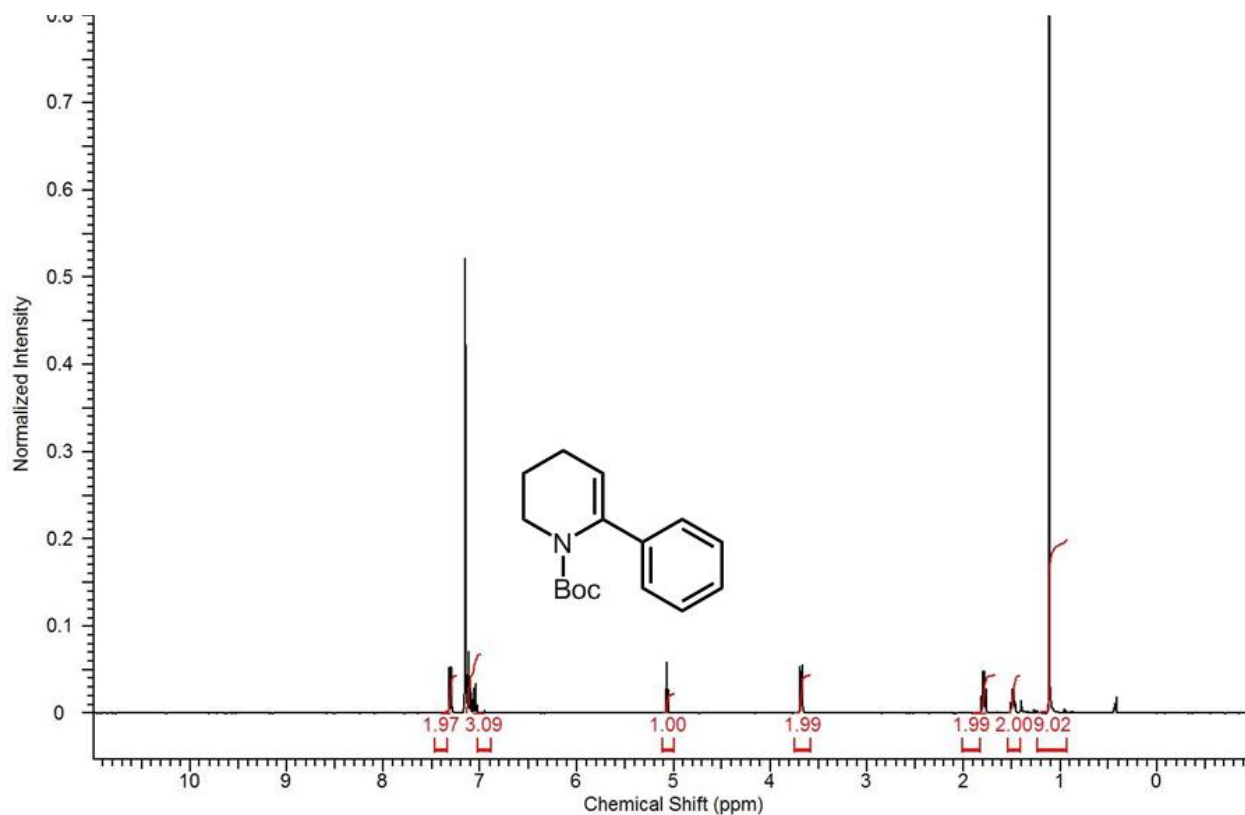


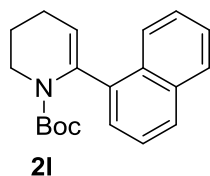
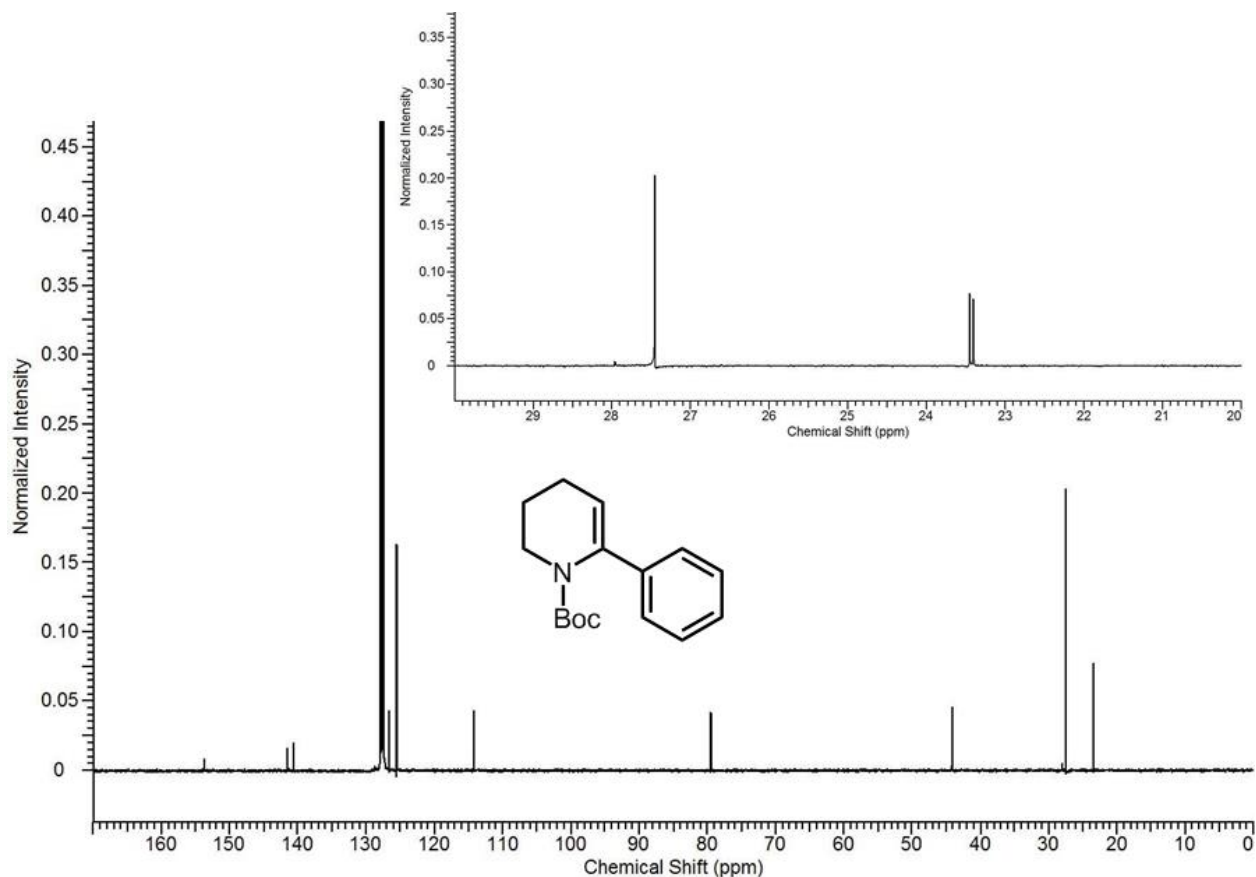
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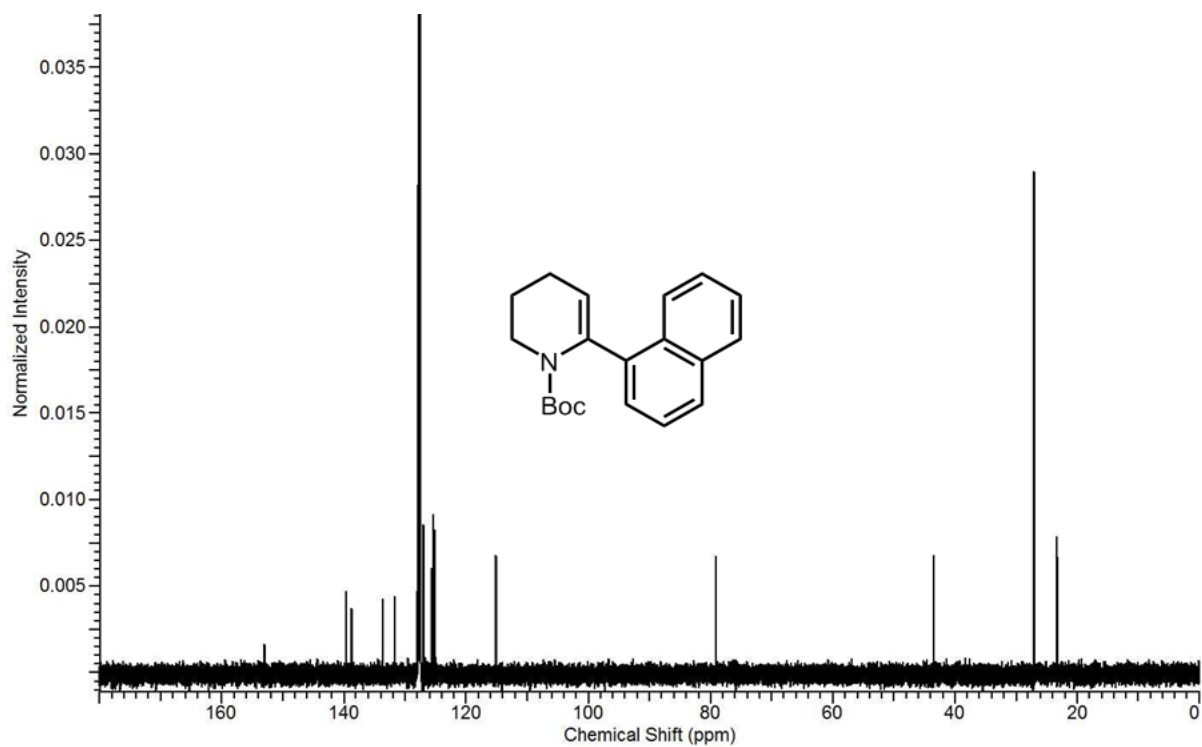
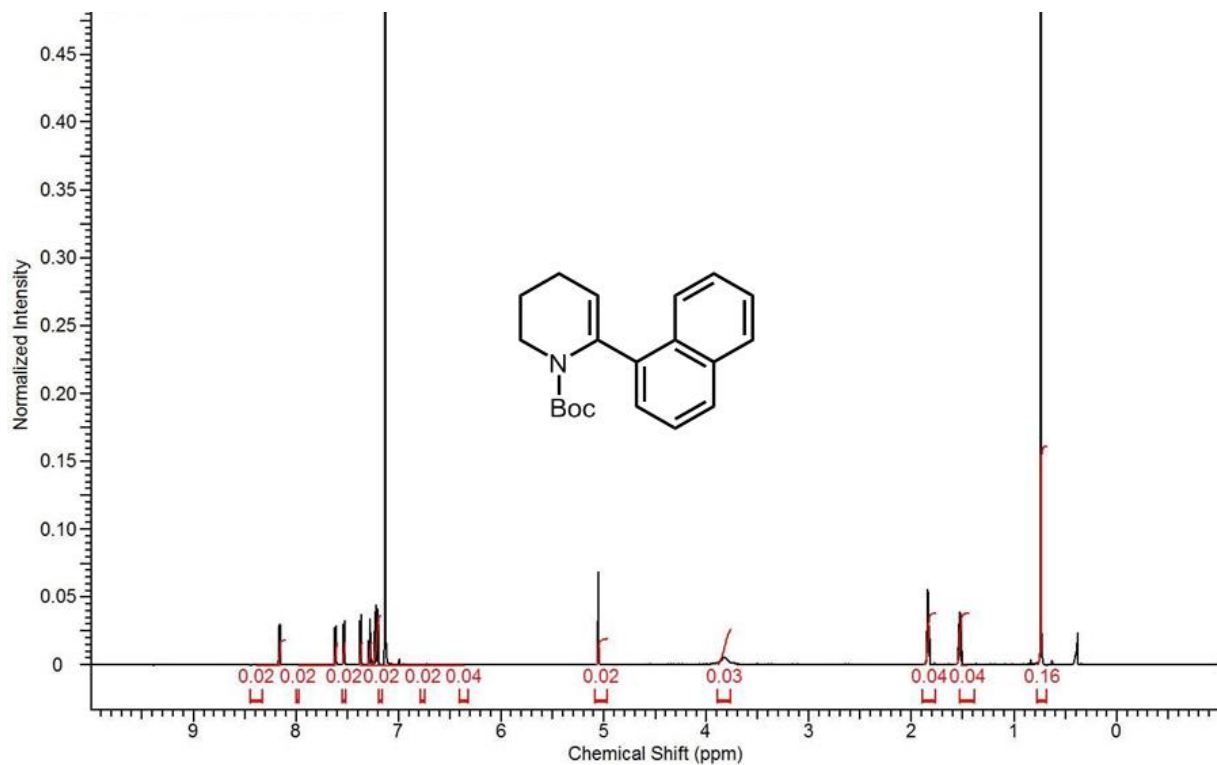


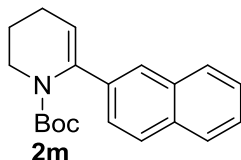
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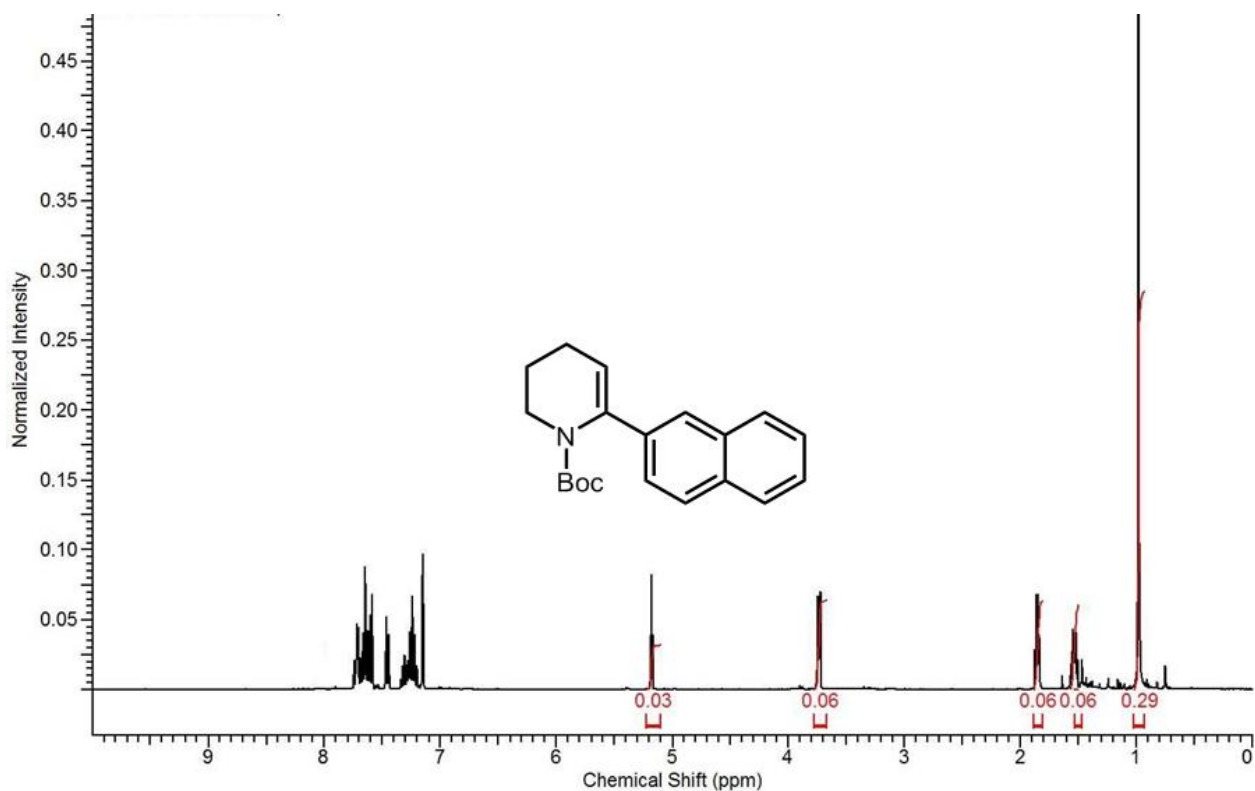


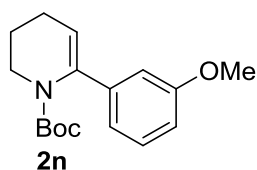
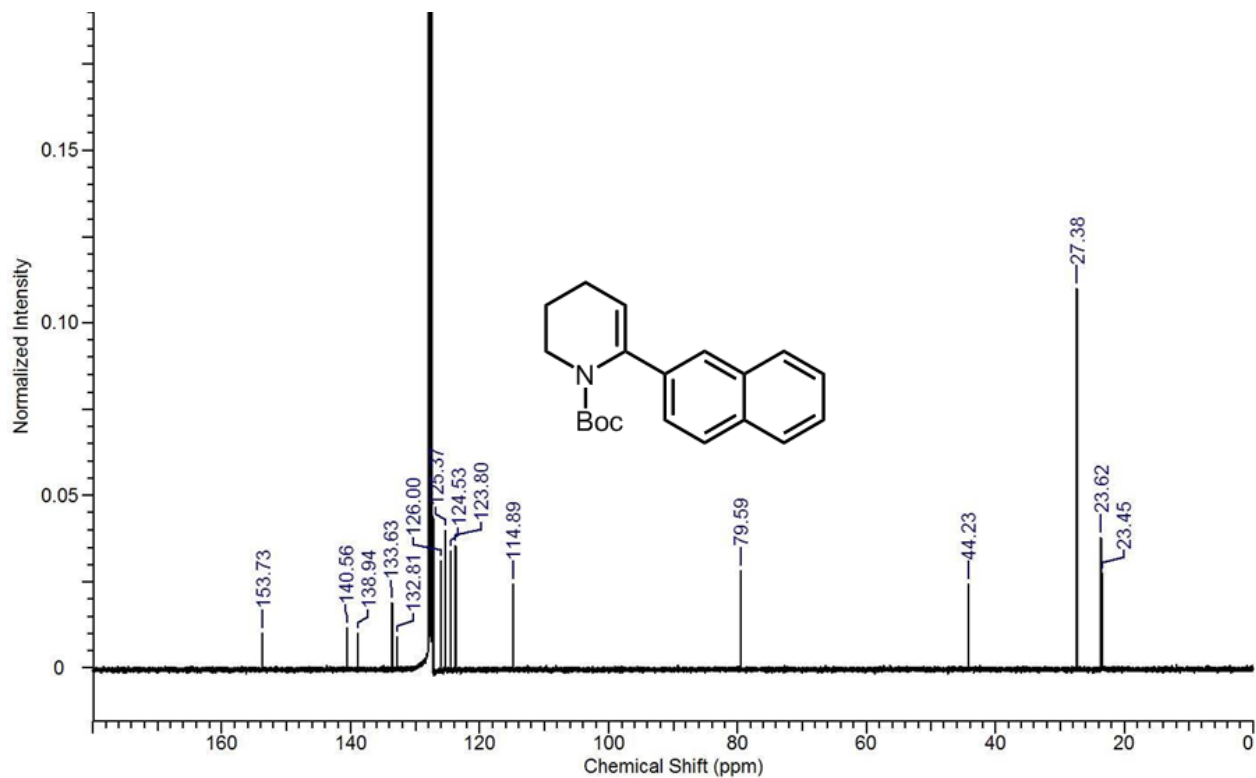
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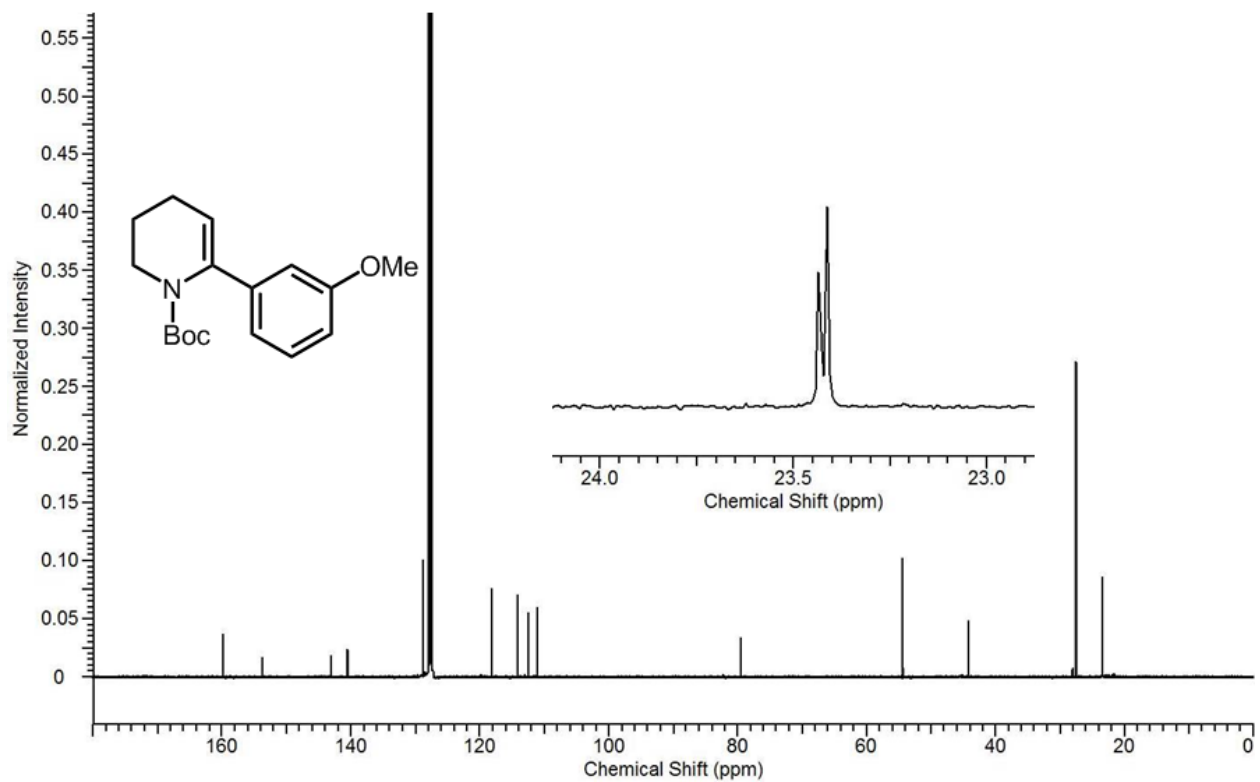
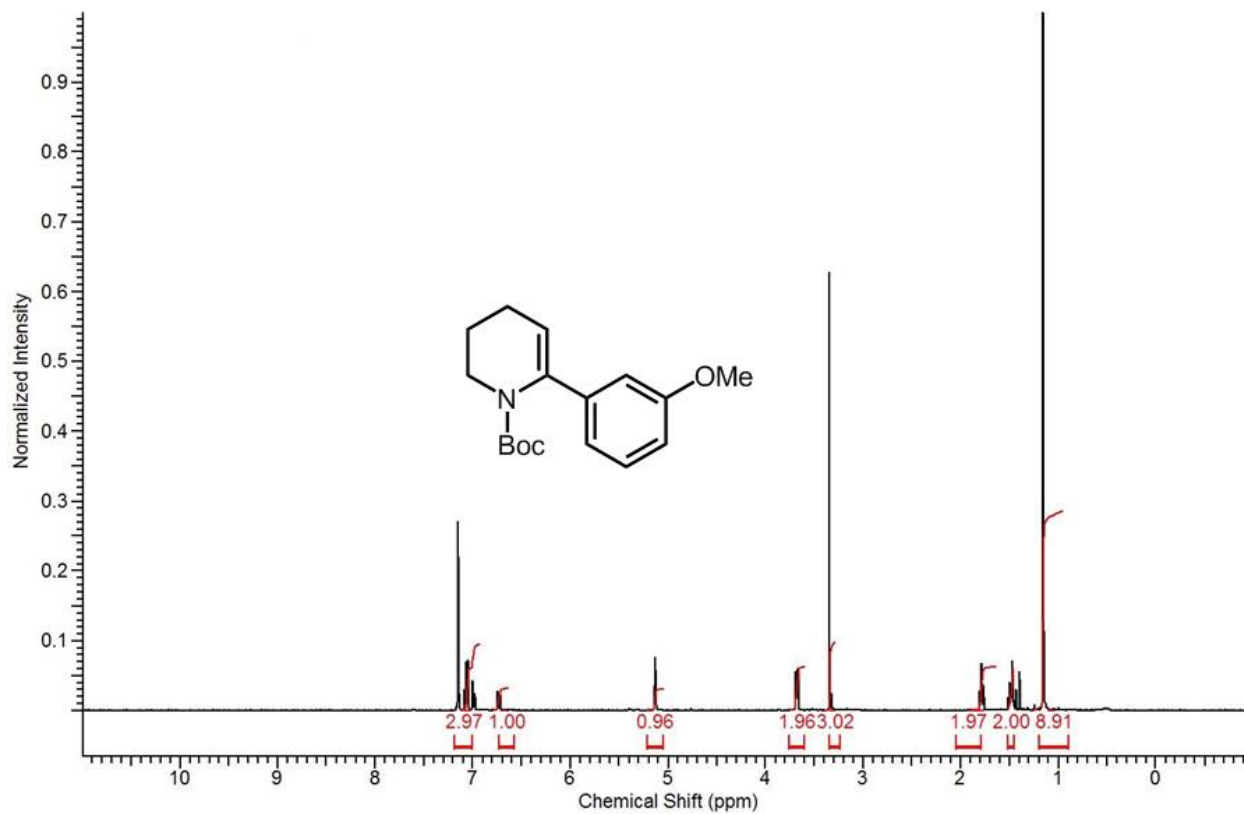


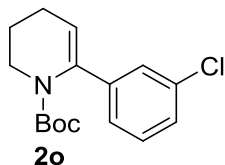
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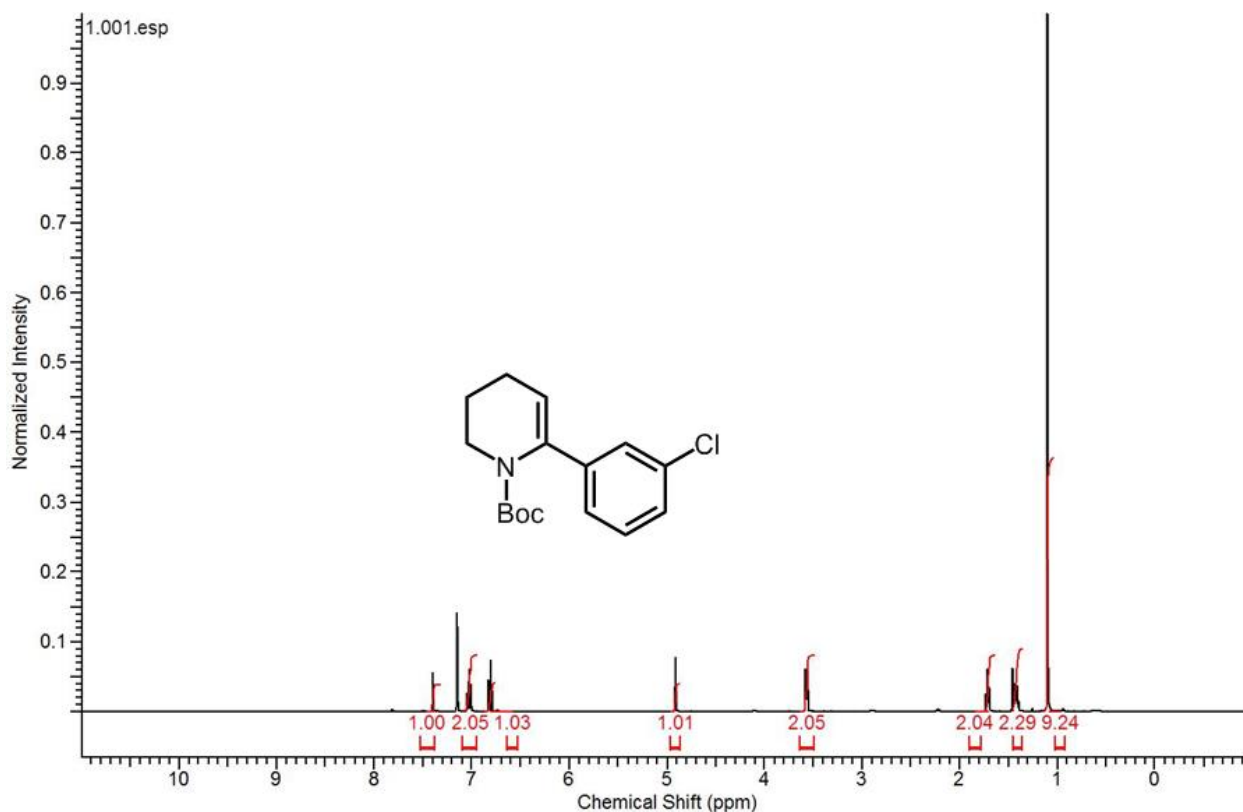


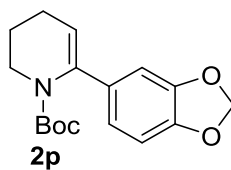
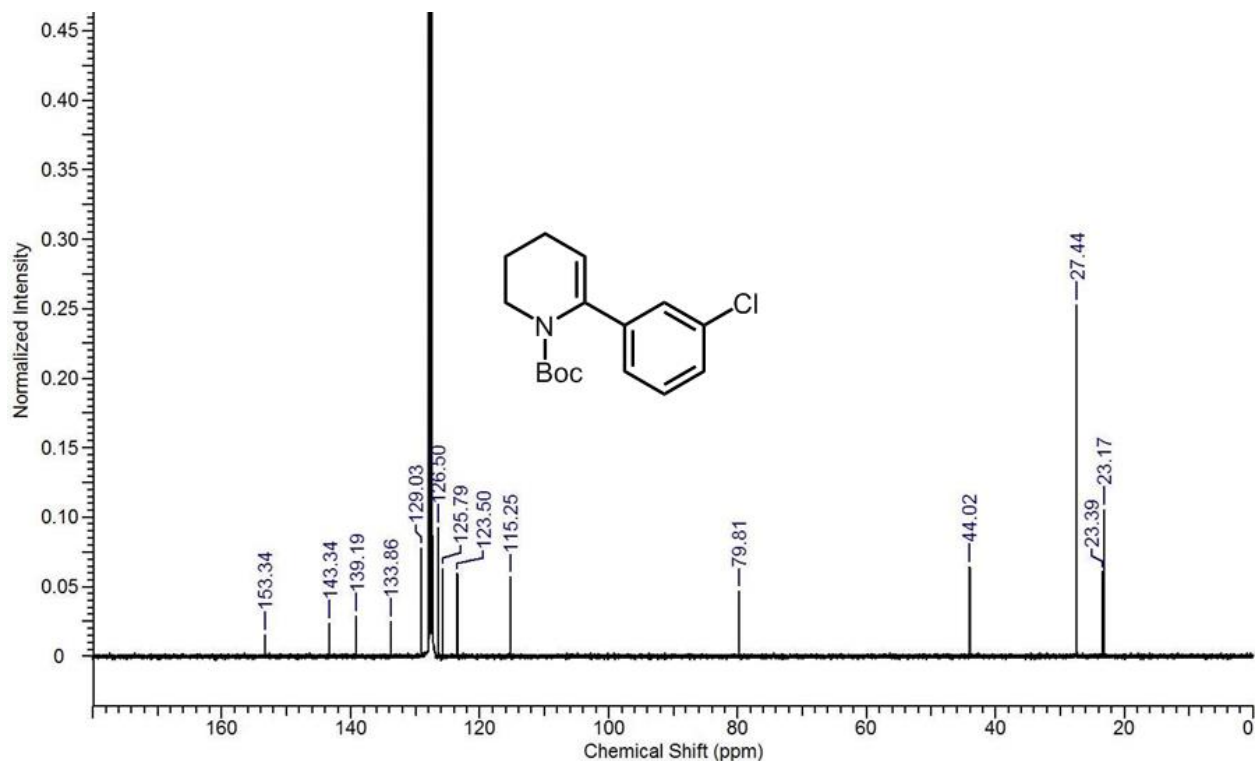
Prepared from **1c** (183 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 3-methoxyphenylmagnesium bromide (3 equiv), using **General Procedure D**. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et_3N) eluting with PE/DCM (1:1). Yield = 249 mg; 86%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 7.22 (1H, s), 7.18 to 6.96 (2H, m), 6.80 to 6.71 (2H, t), 5.14 to 5.12 (1H, t), 3.68 to 3.66 (2H, dd), 3.34 (3H, s), 1.82 to 1.78 (2H, m), 1.52 to 1.46 (2H, m), 1.14 (9H, s). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 160.3, 153.7, 142.9, 140.5, 129.7, 119.6, 112.9, 112.9, 112.4, 79.5, 54.4, 44.2, 27.5, 23.4, 23.4. HRMS calc for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_3$ 289.1678, found 289.1600. Data as previously reported by us.³



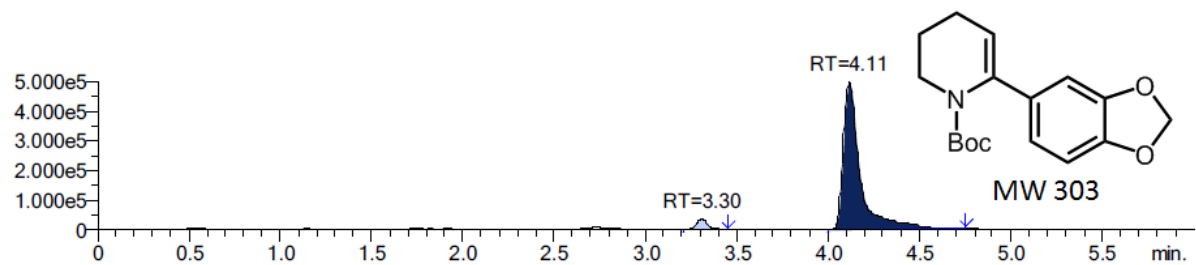


Prepared from **1c** (183 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 3-chlorophenylboronic acid (1.5 equiv) using **General Procedure A**. Temp = 80 °C, time = 22 h. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with PE/DCM (1:1). Yield = 205 mg; 70%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 7.22 (1H, s), 7.18 to 6.96 (2H, m), 6.80 to 6.71 (1H, t), 5.14 to 5.12 (1H, t), 3.68 to 3.66 (2H, dd), 1.82 to 1.78 (2H, m), 1.52 to 1.46 (2H, m), 1.14 (9H, s). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 153.3, 143.3, 139.2, 133.8, 129.0, 126.5, 125.8, 123.5, 115.2, 79.8, 44.0, 27.4, 23.4, 23.1. HRMS calc for C₁₆H₂₀ClNO₂ 293.1183, found 293.1178. Data as previously reported by us.³



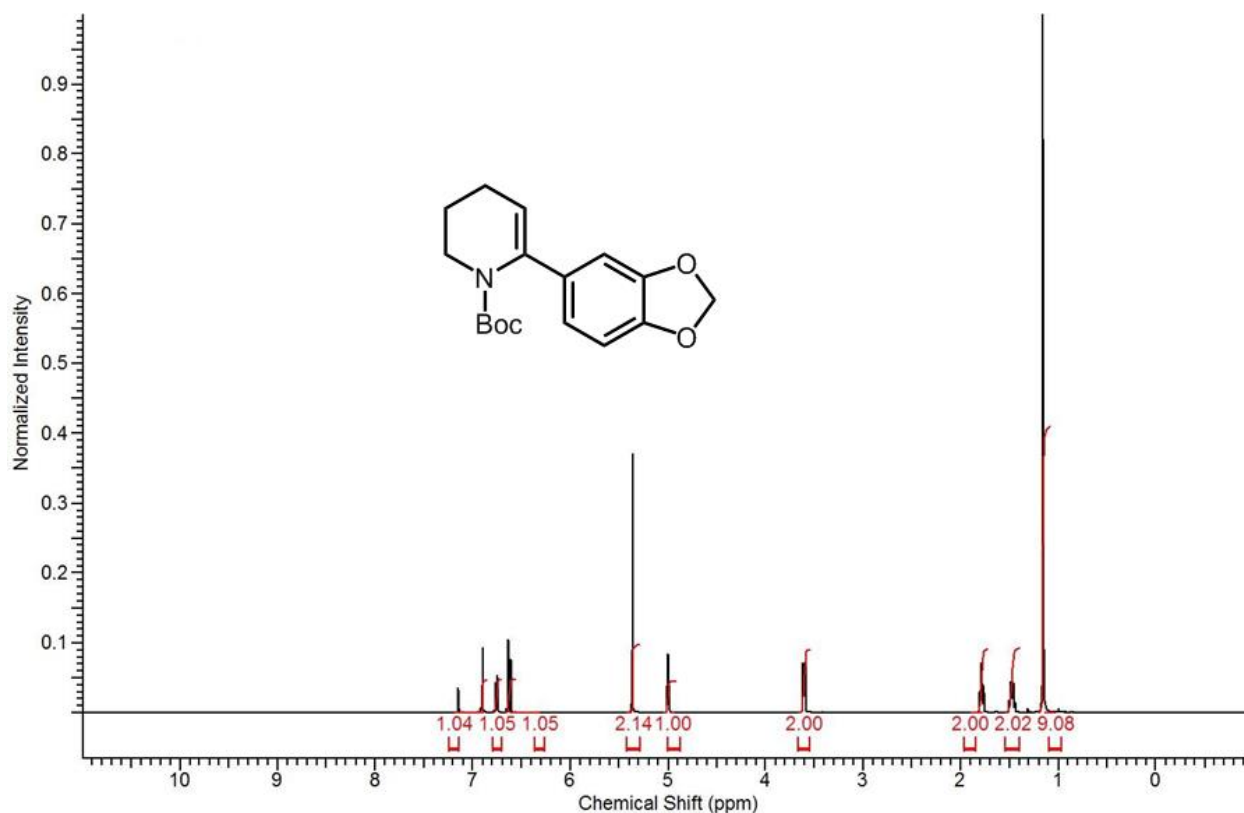
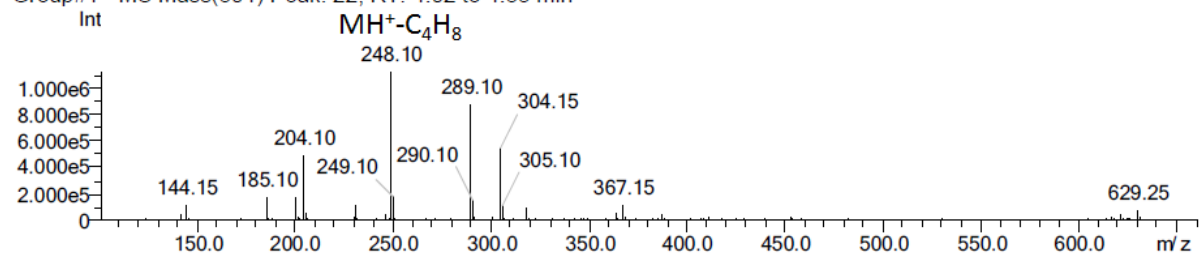


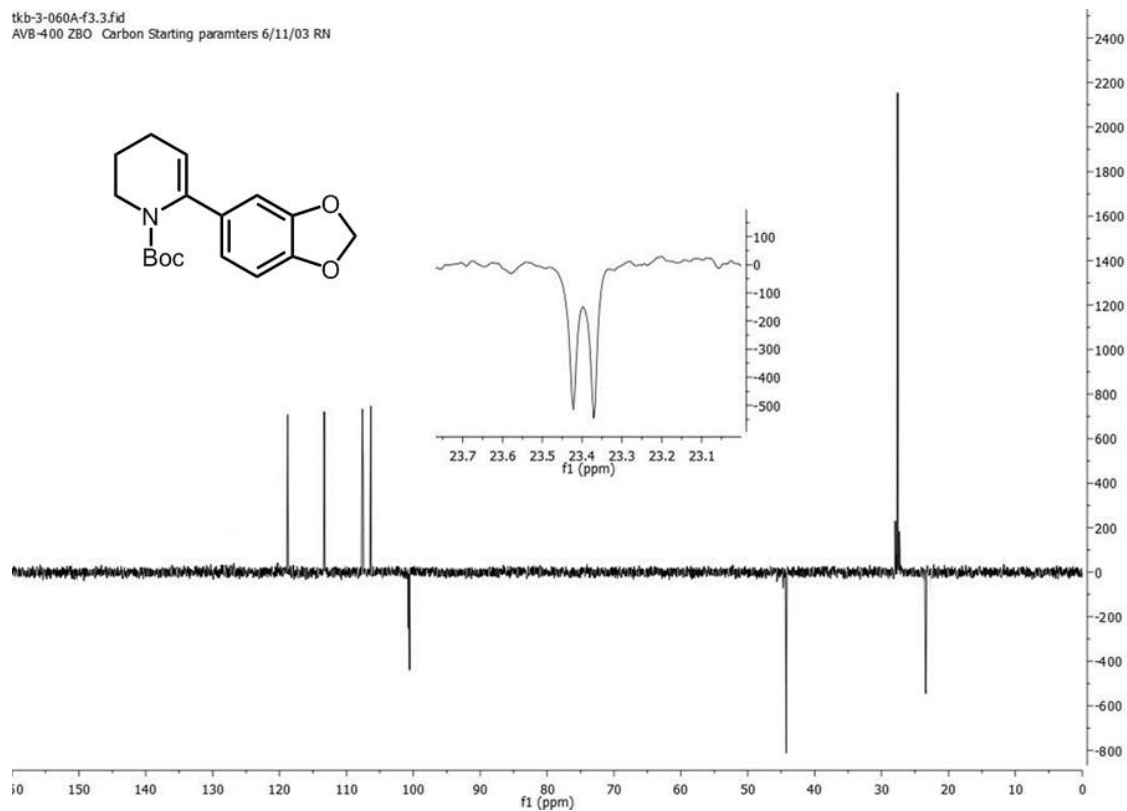
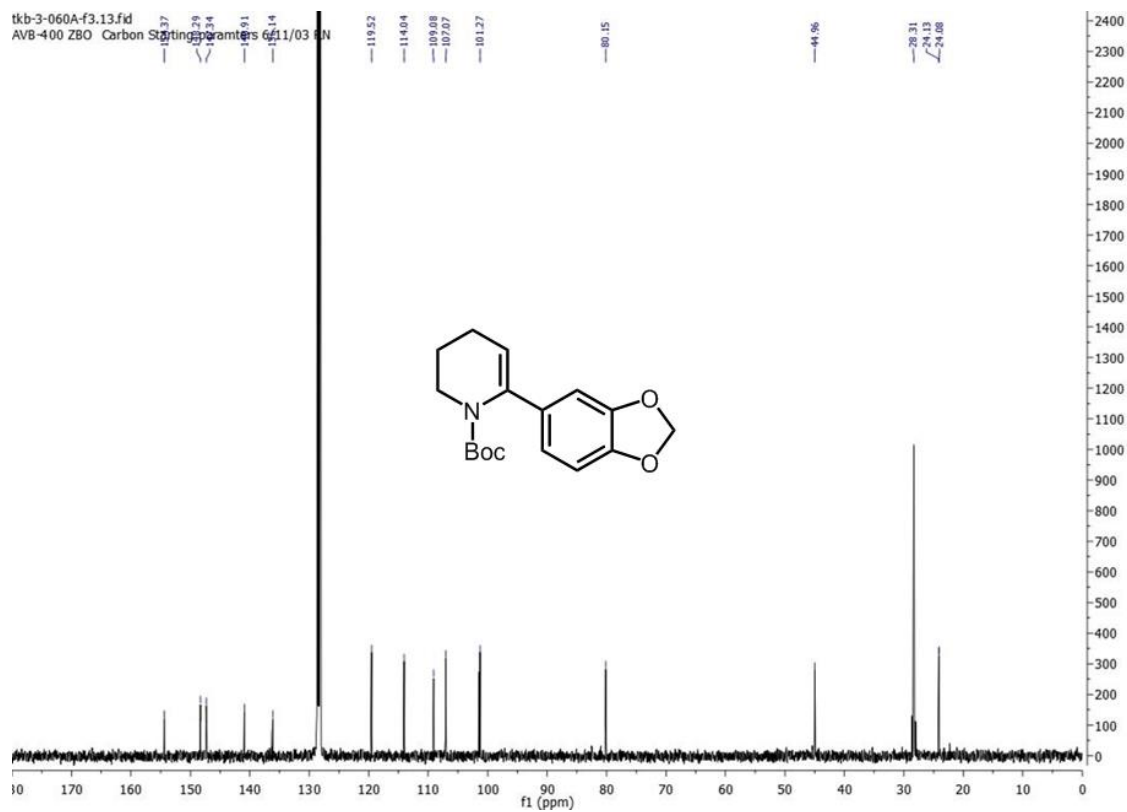
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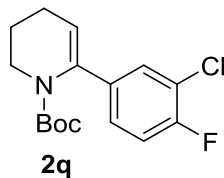


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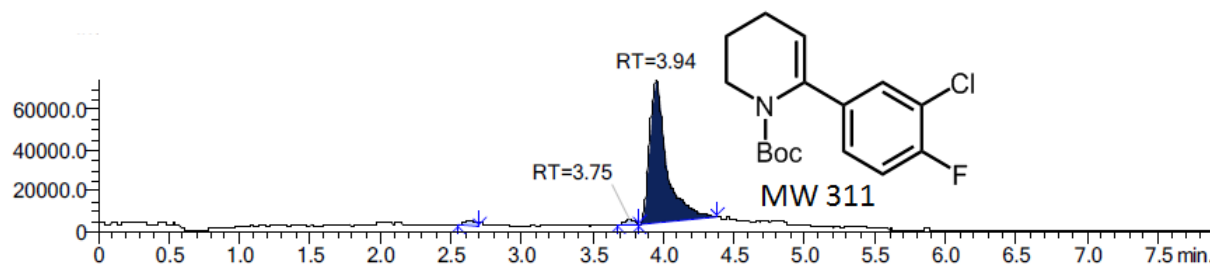
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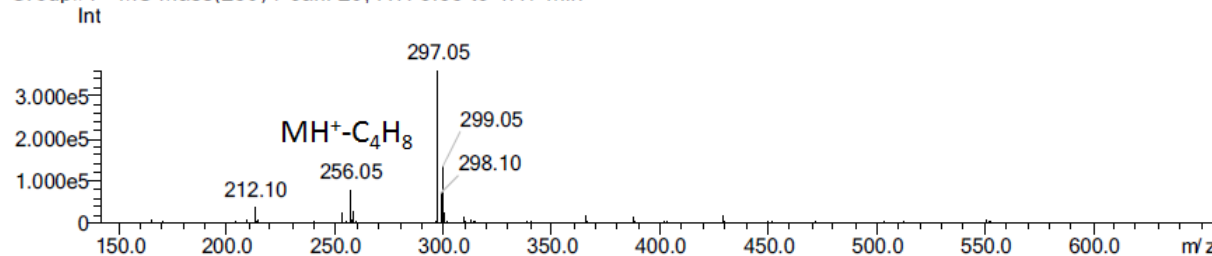


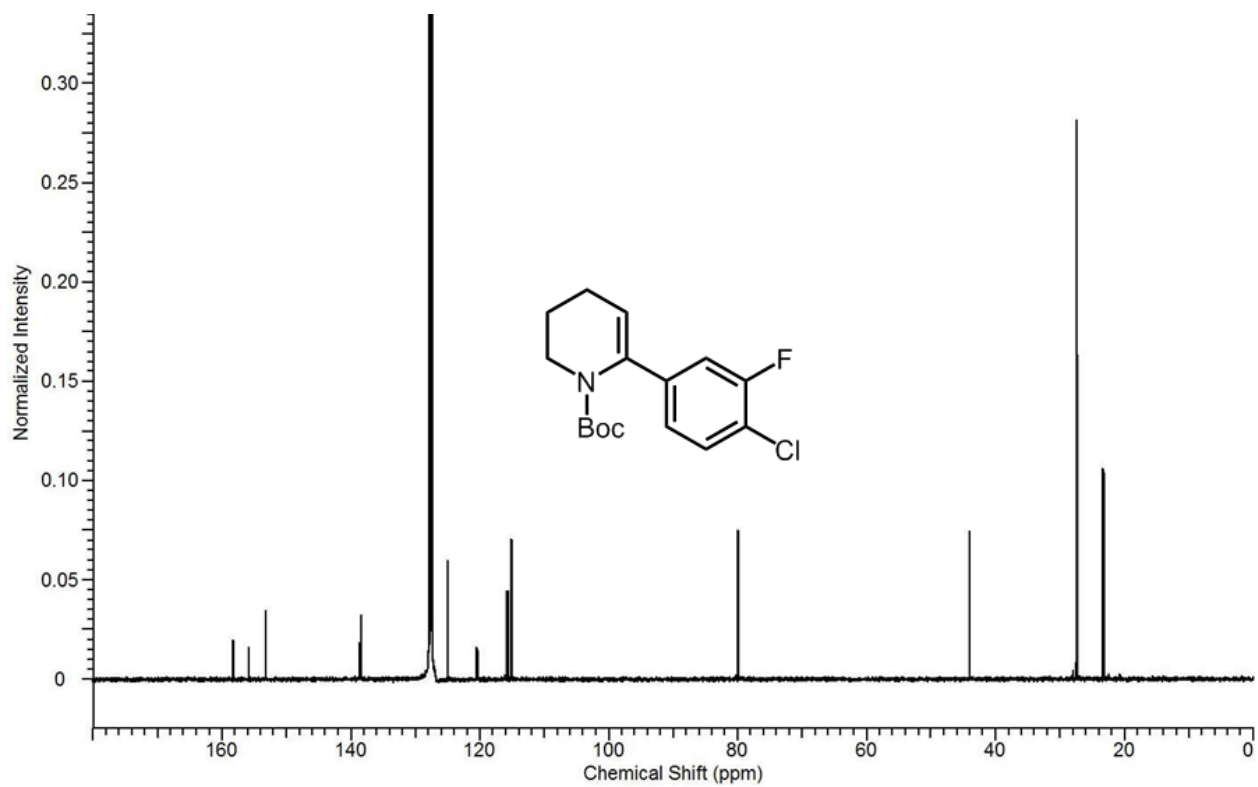
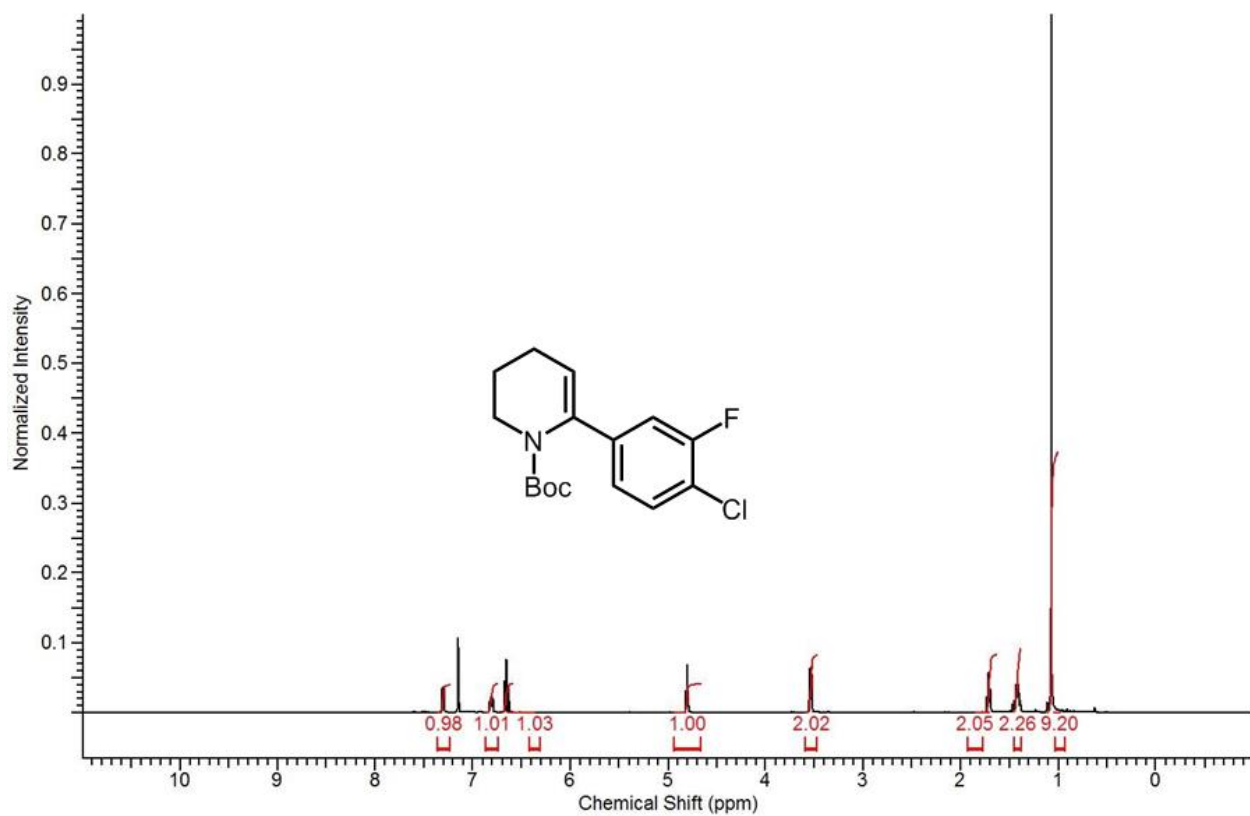


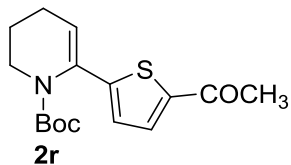
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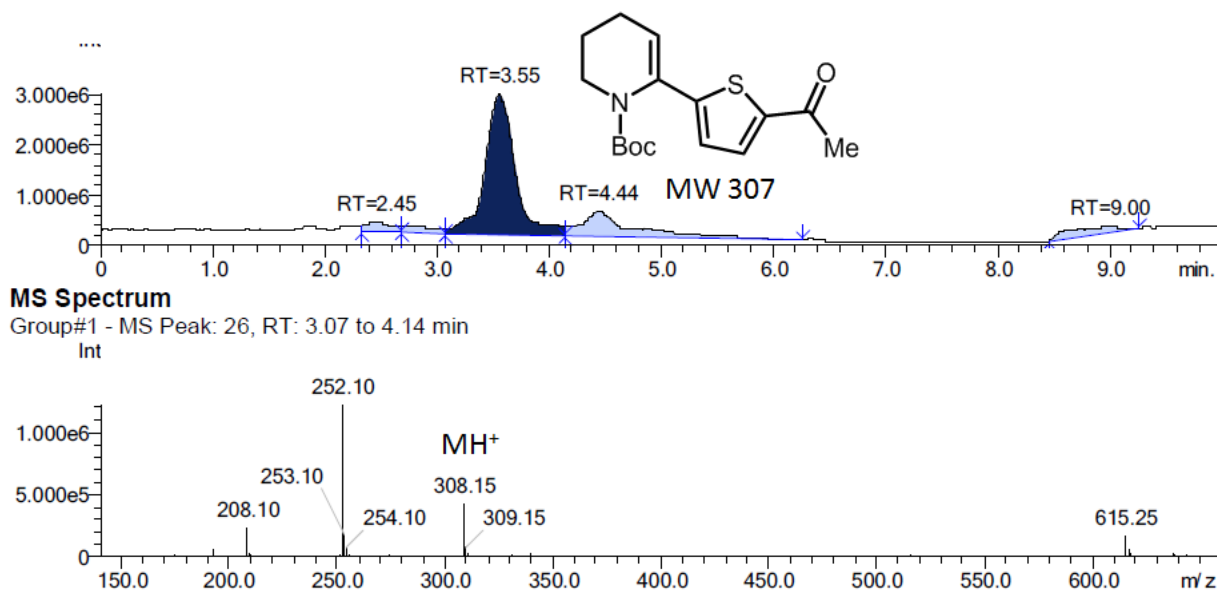
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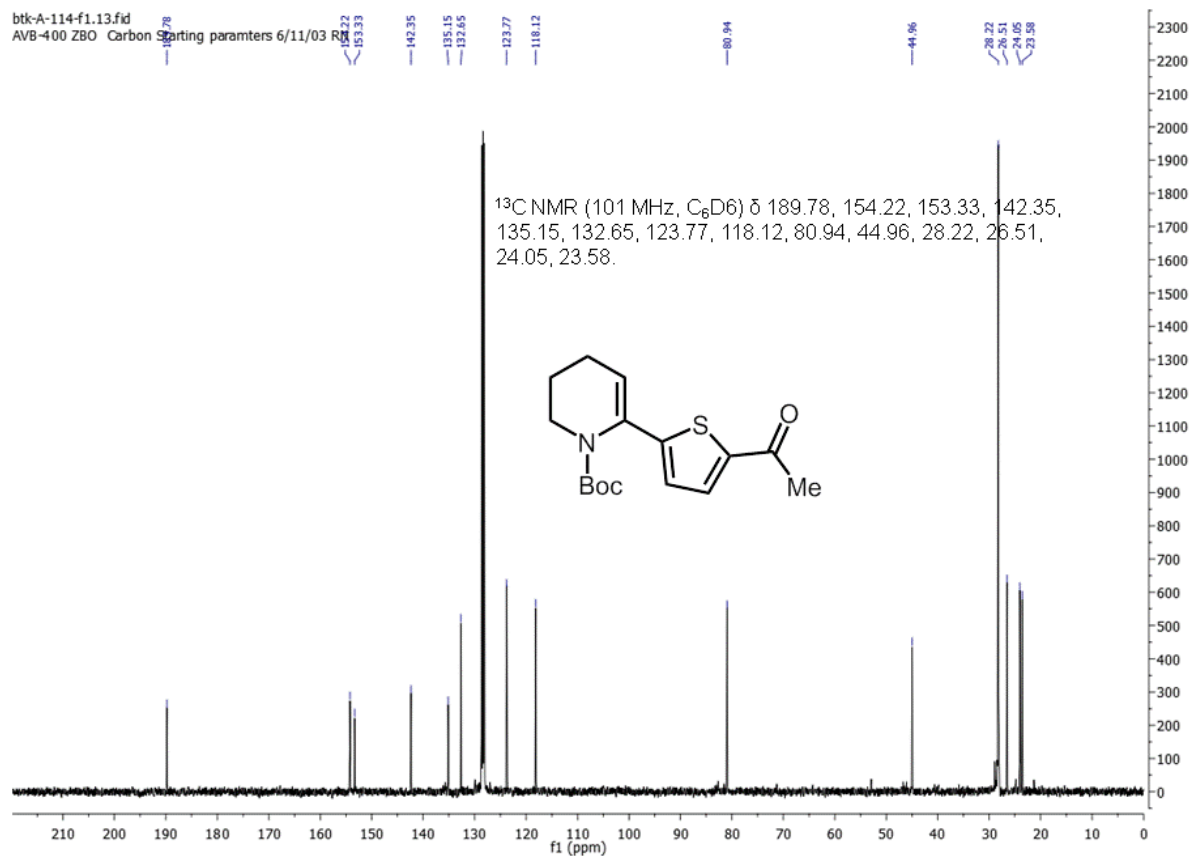
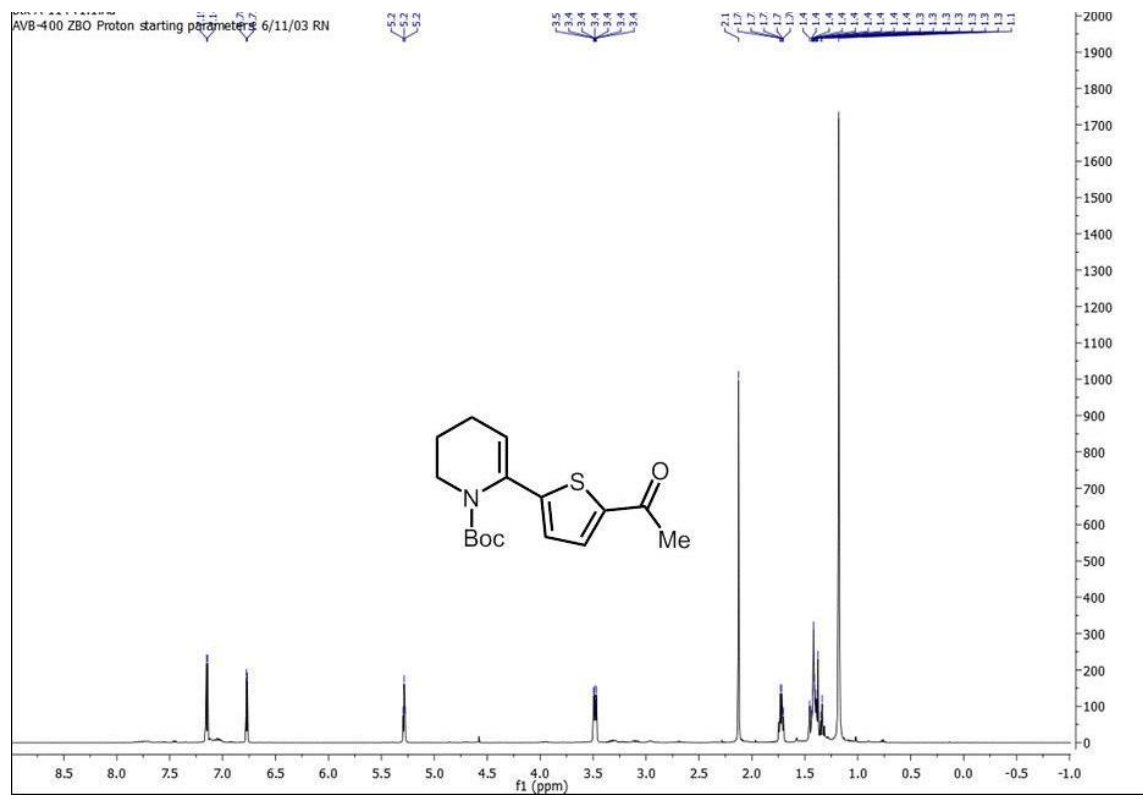




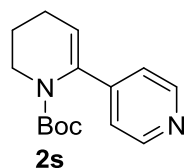
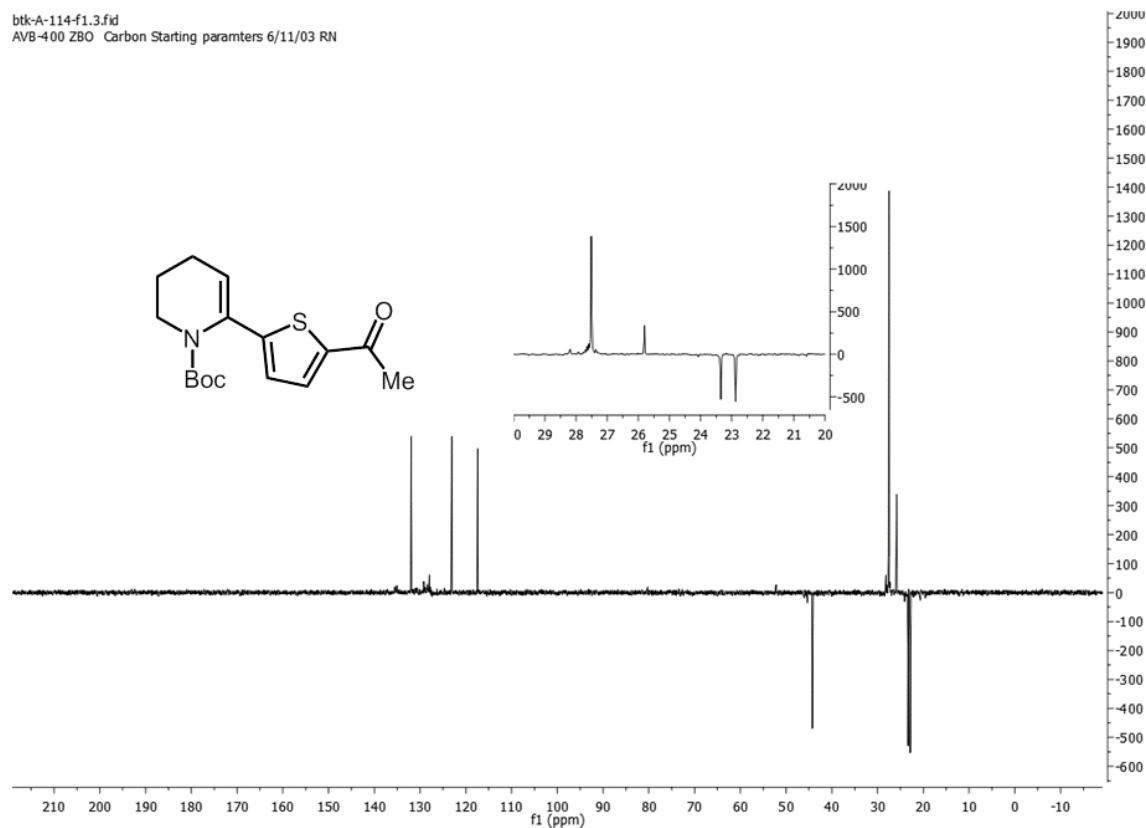


Prepared from **1c** (183 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 5-acetyl-2-thiopheneboronic acid using **General Procedure A**. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with PE/DCM (1:1). Yield = 273 mg; 89%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 7.15 (1H), 6.78 (1H), 5.29 (1H), 3.49 (1H), 2.13 (3H), 1.74 to 1.70 (2H), 1.45 to 1.35 (11H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 189.78, 154.22, 153.33, 142.35, 135.15, 132.65, 123.77, 118.12, 80.94, 44.96, 28.22, 26.51, 24.05, 23.58. HRMS calc for C₁₆H₂₁NO₃S 307.1242, found 307.1248.

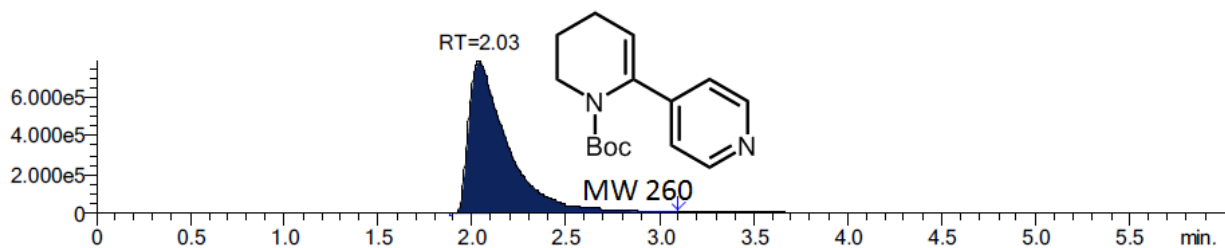




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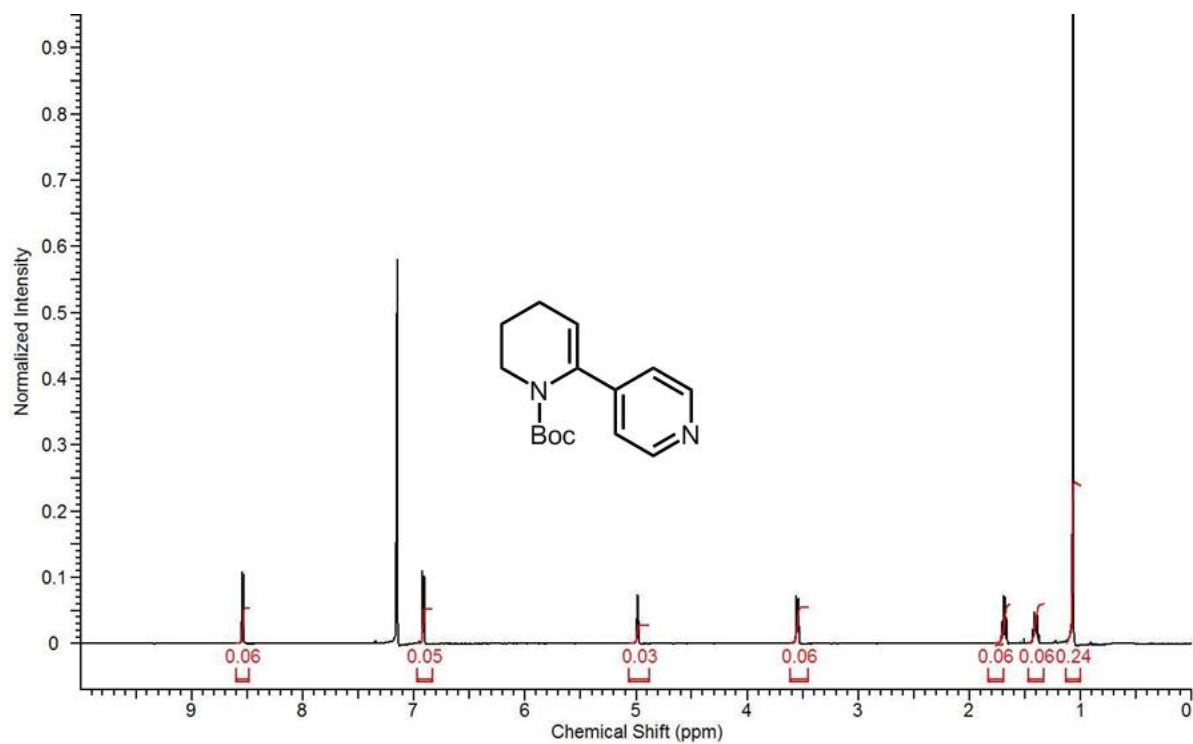
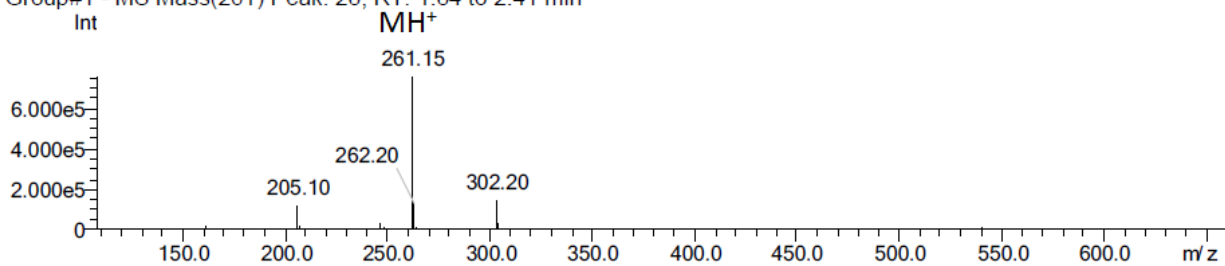


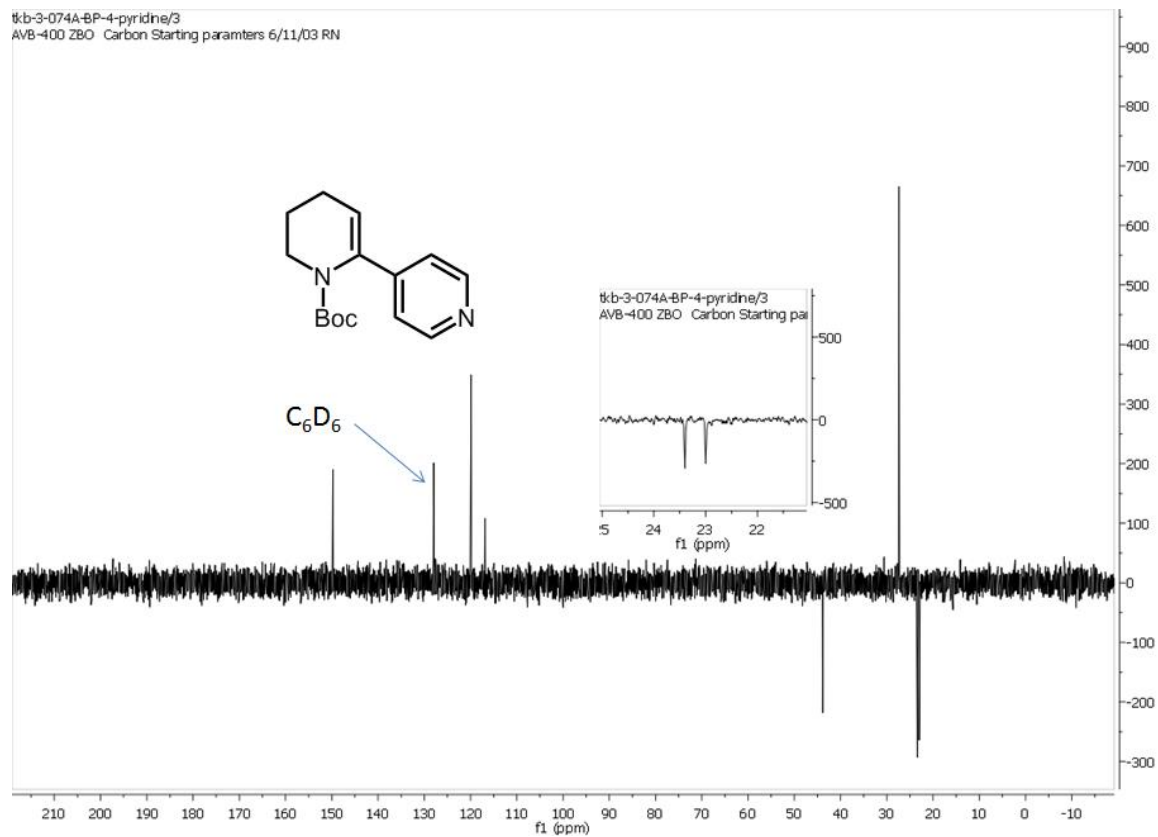
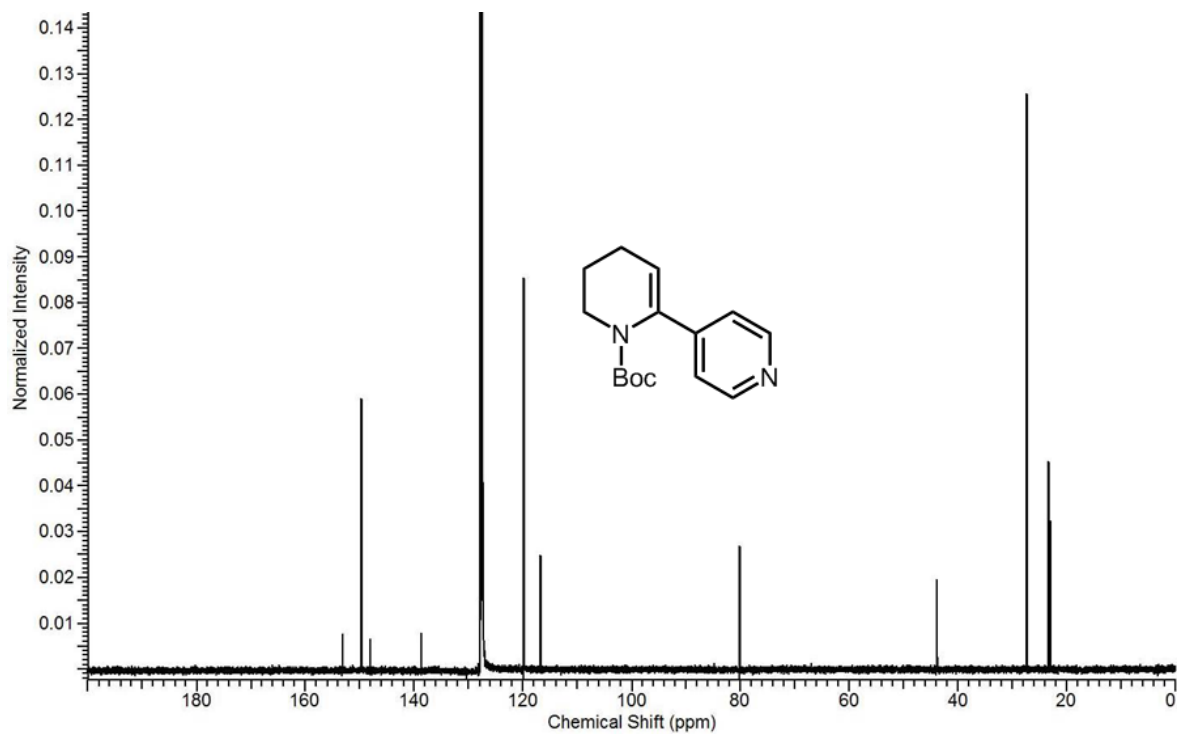
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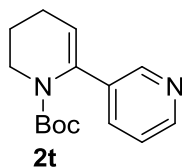
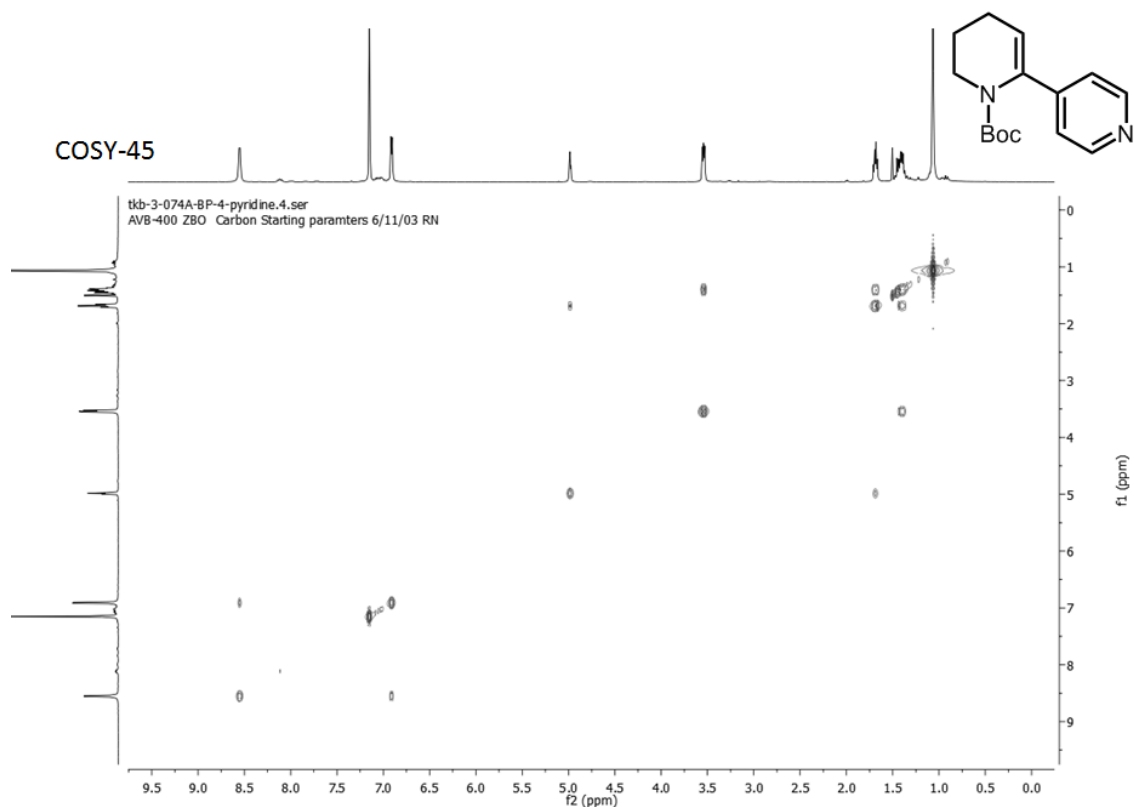


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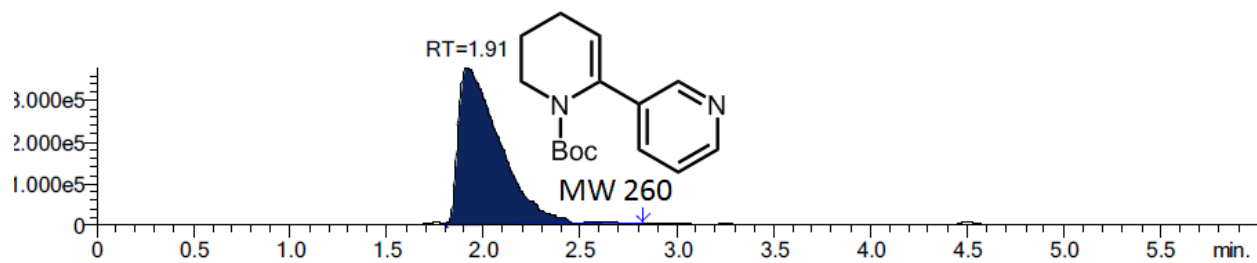
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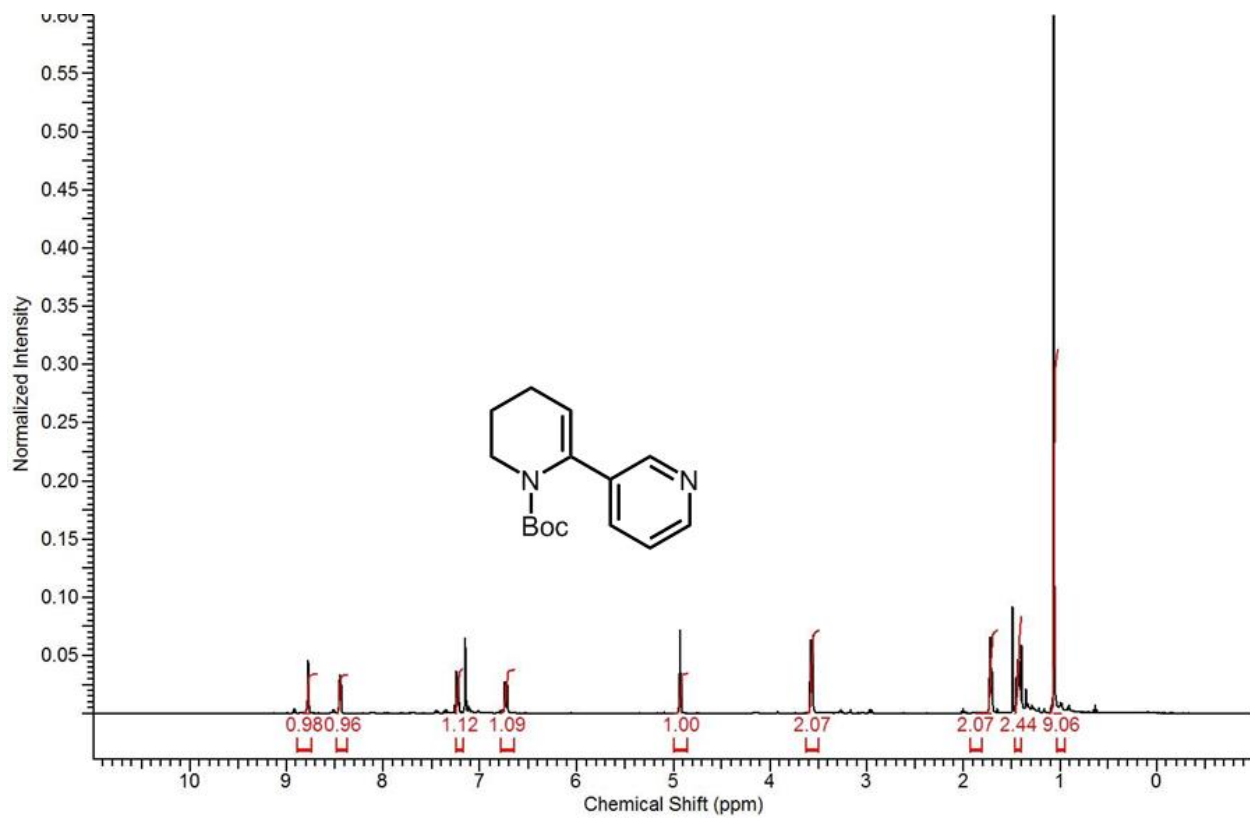
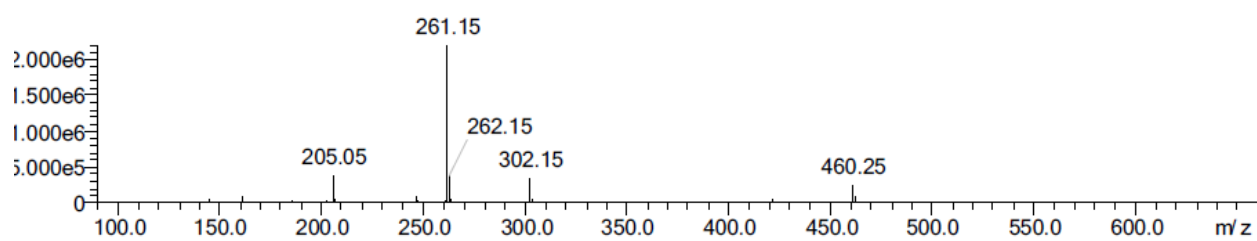


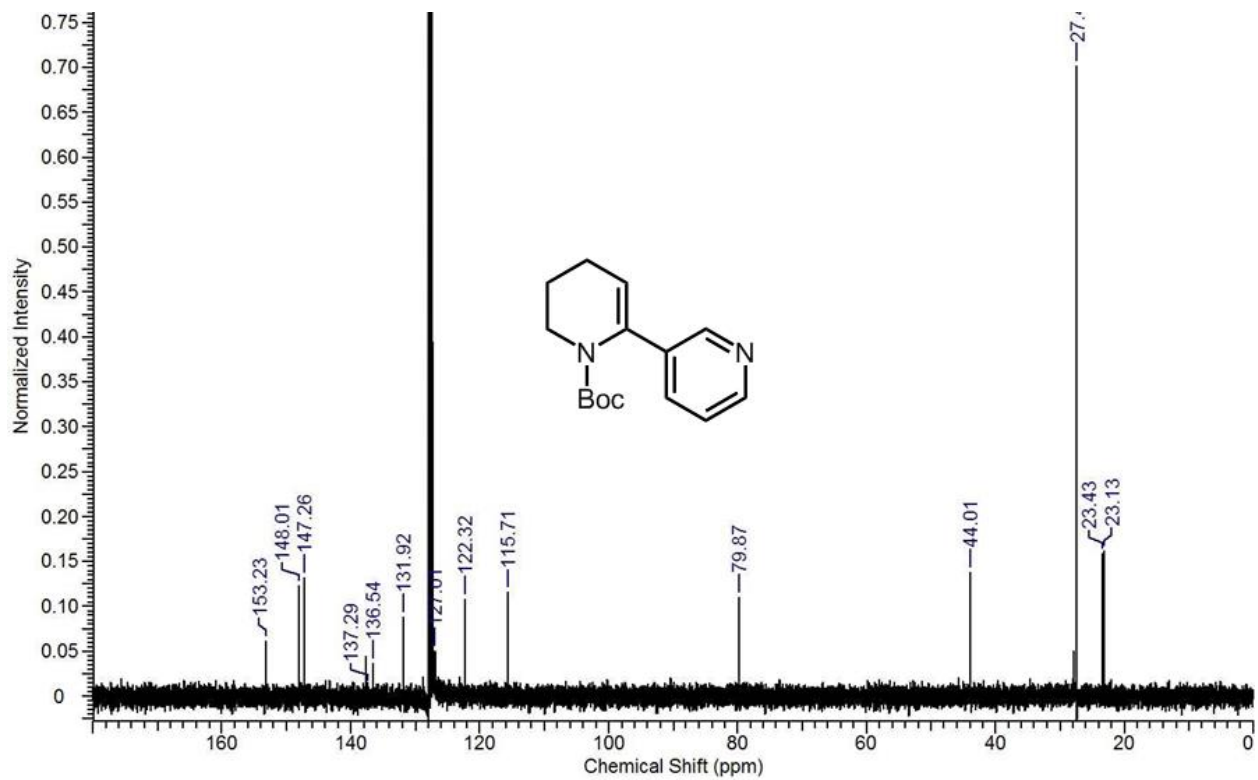
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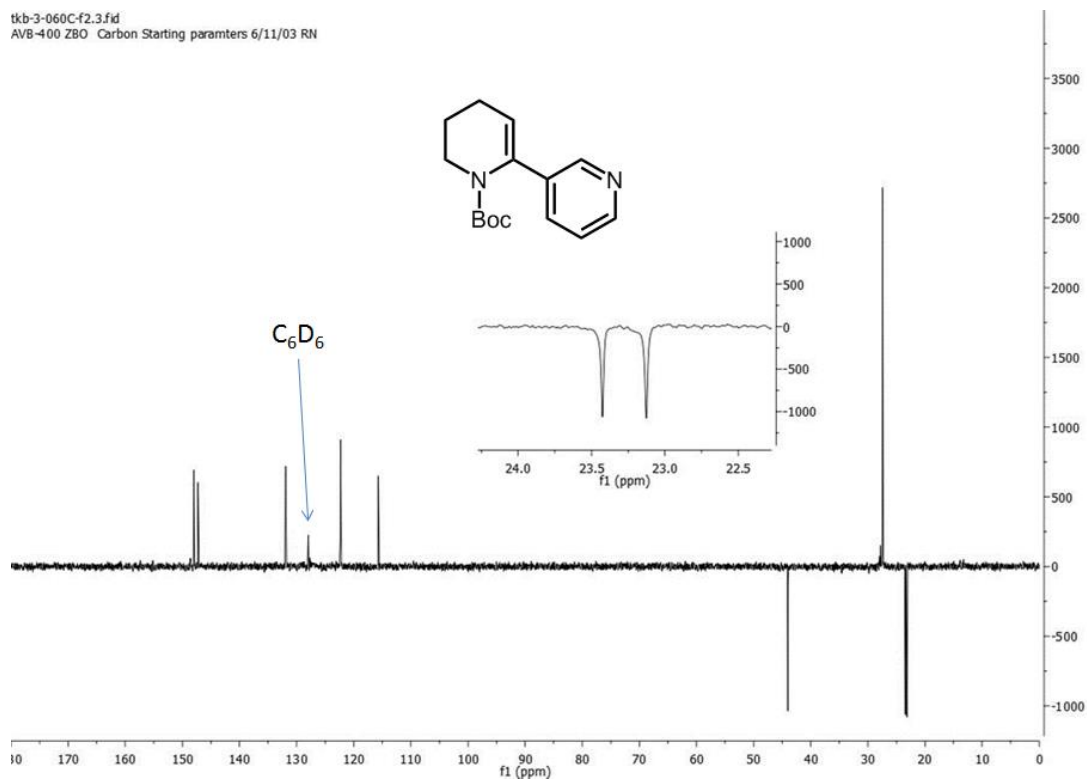
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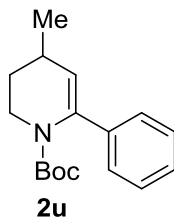
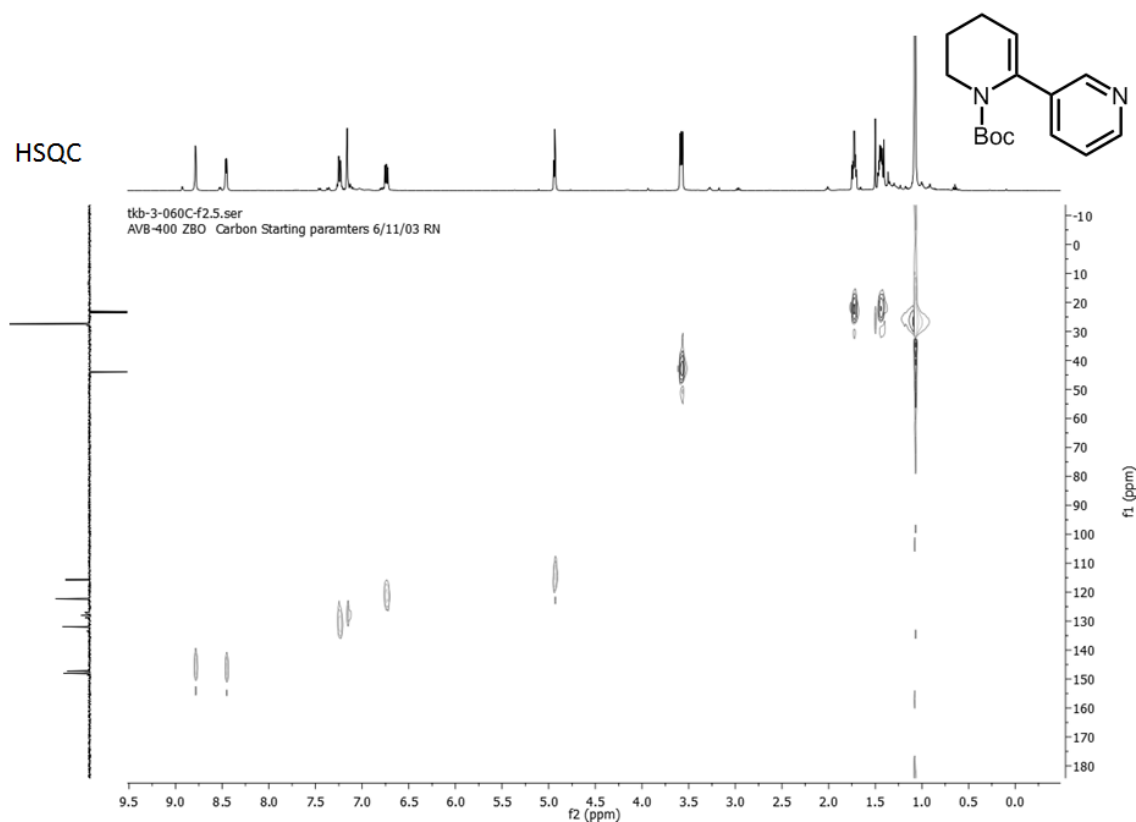
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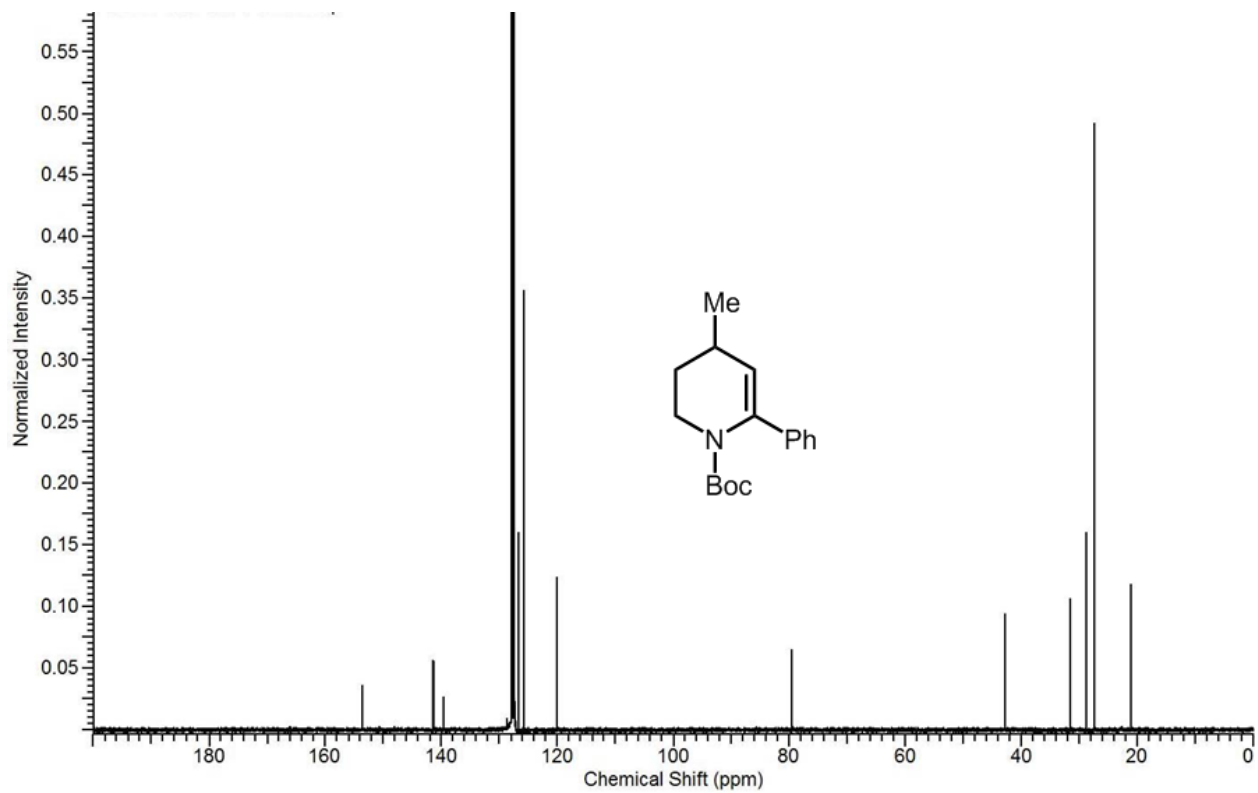
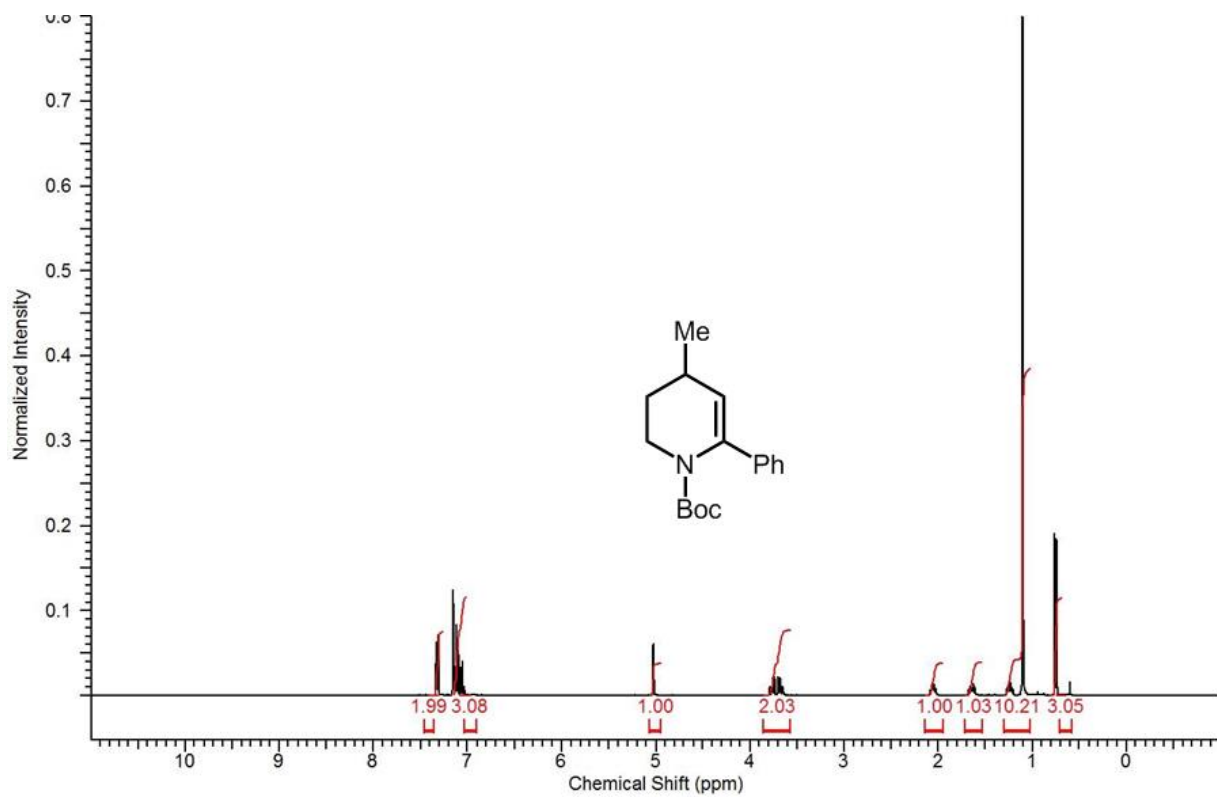


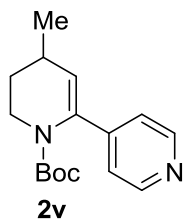
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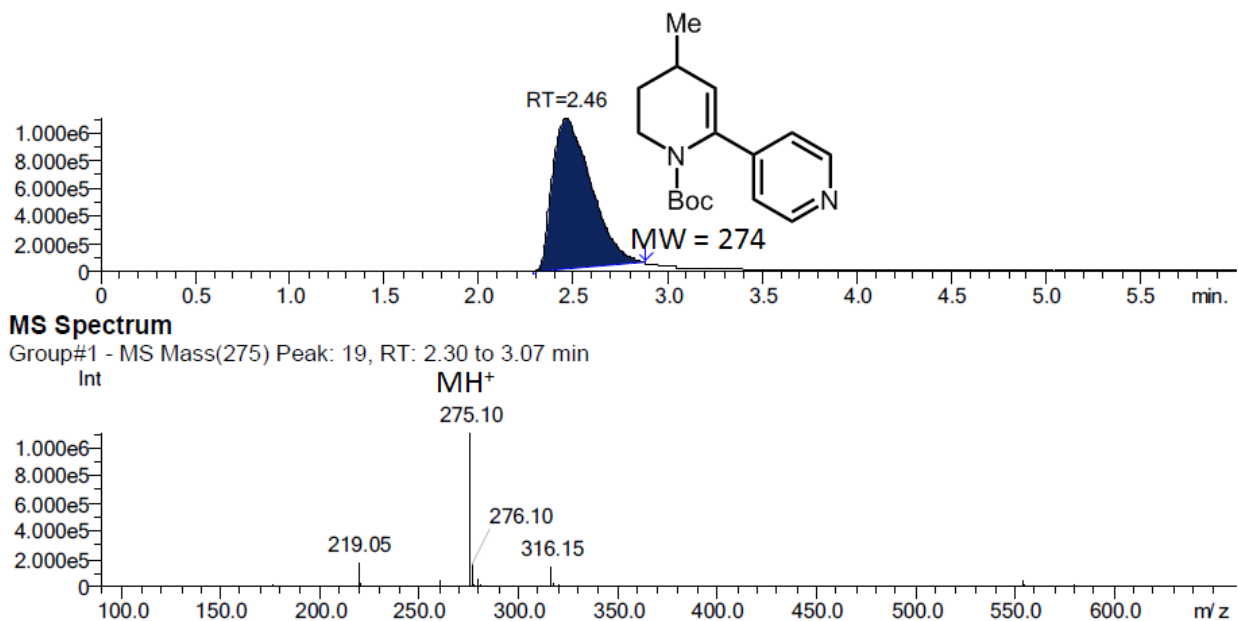


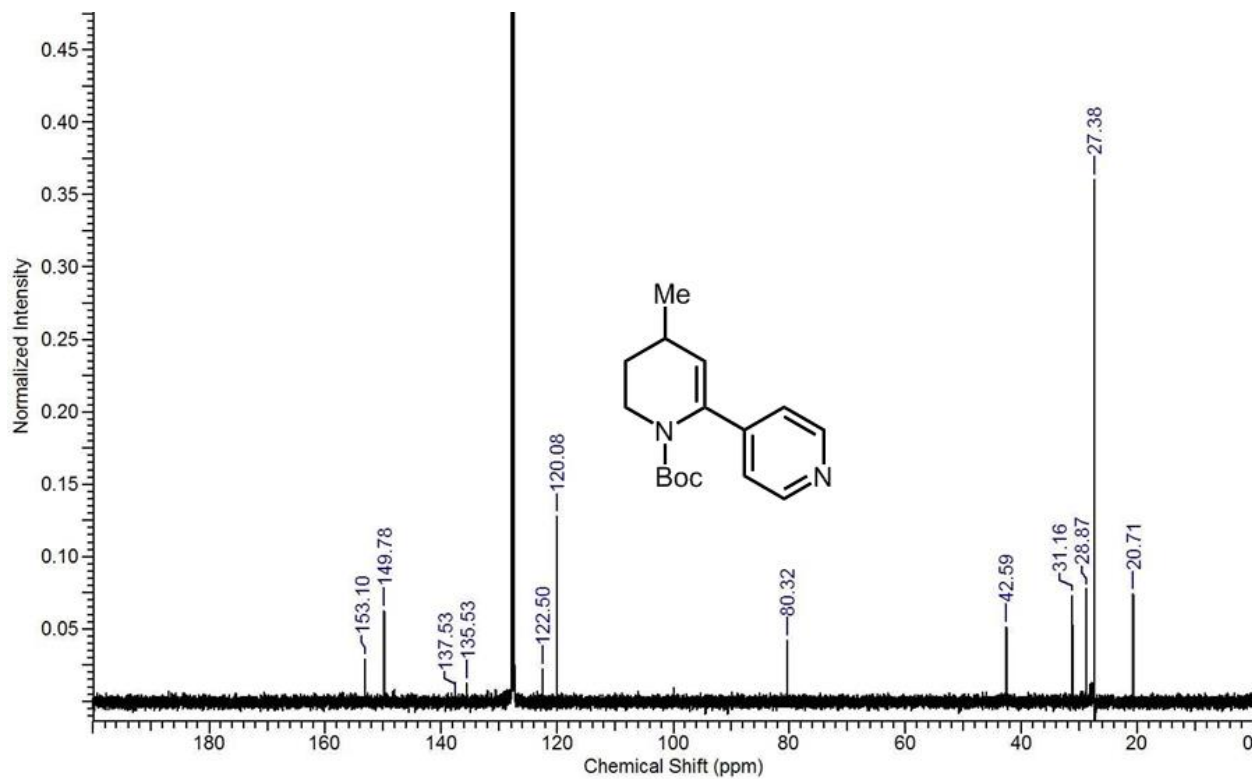
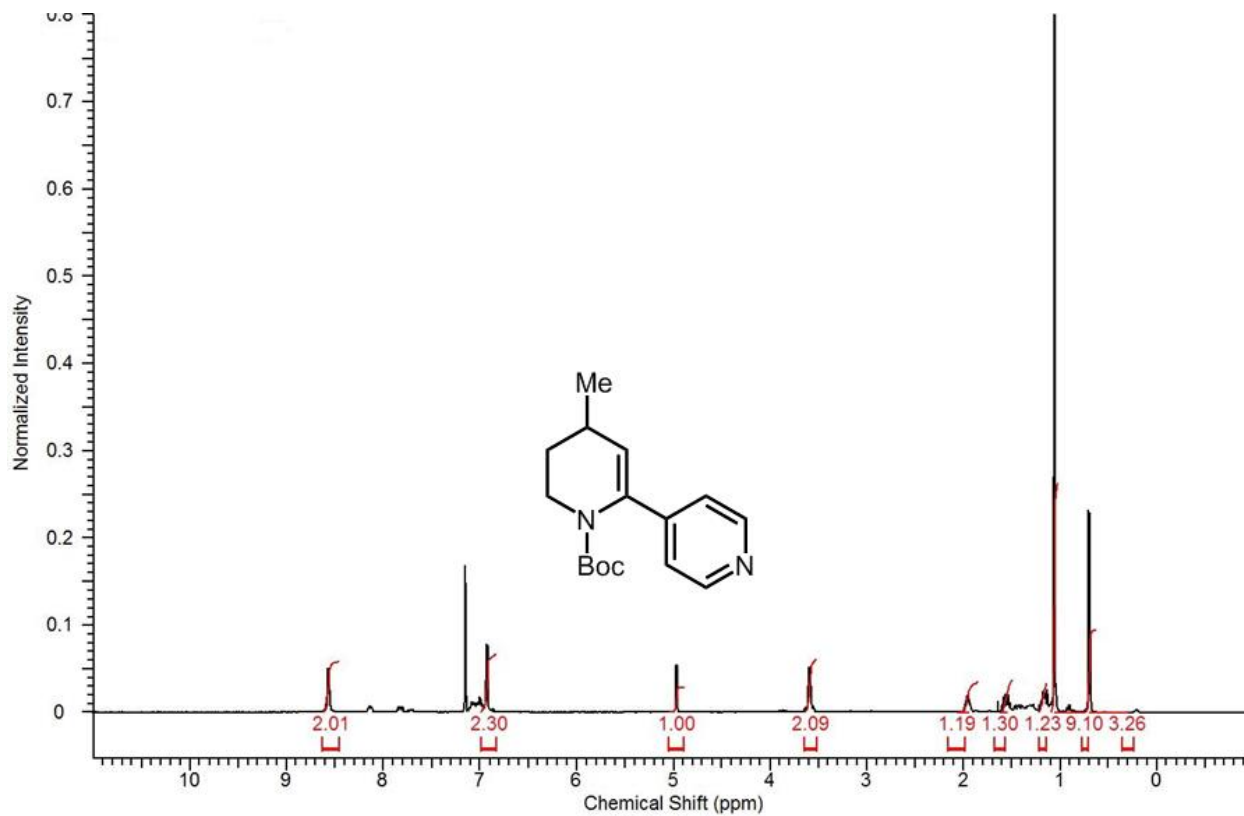
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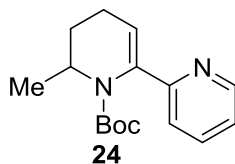
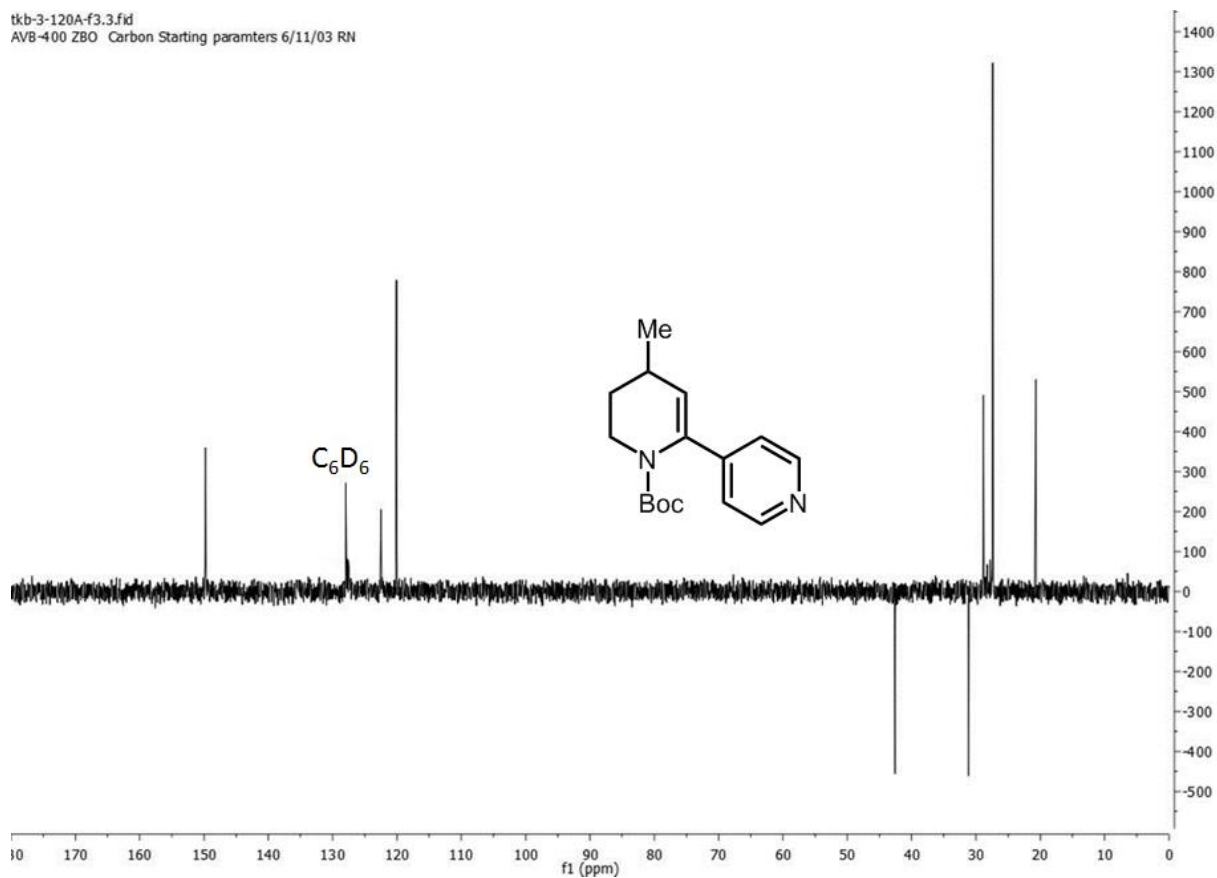


Prepared from **1d** (197 mg, 1.00 mmol) and 4-pyridylboronic acid (1.5 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with DCM/MeOH (95:5). Yield = 16.4 mg; 60%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.56 & 8.55 (2H), 6.94 to 6.92 (2H), 4.97 & 4.96 (1H), 3.62 to 3.56 (2H), 1.98 to 1.92 (1H), 1.59 to 1.03 (11H), 0.72 to 0.69 (3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 153.1, 149.7, 137.6, 135.5, 122.5, 120.0, 80.3, 42.5, 31.1, 28.8, 27.3, 20.7. HRMS calc for C₁₆H₂₂N₂O₂ 274.1681, found 274.1679.

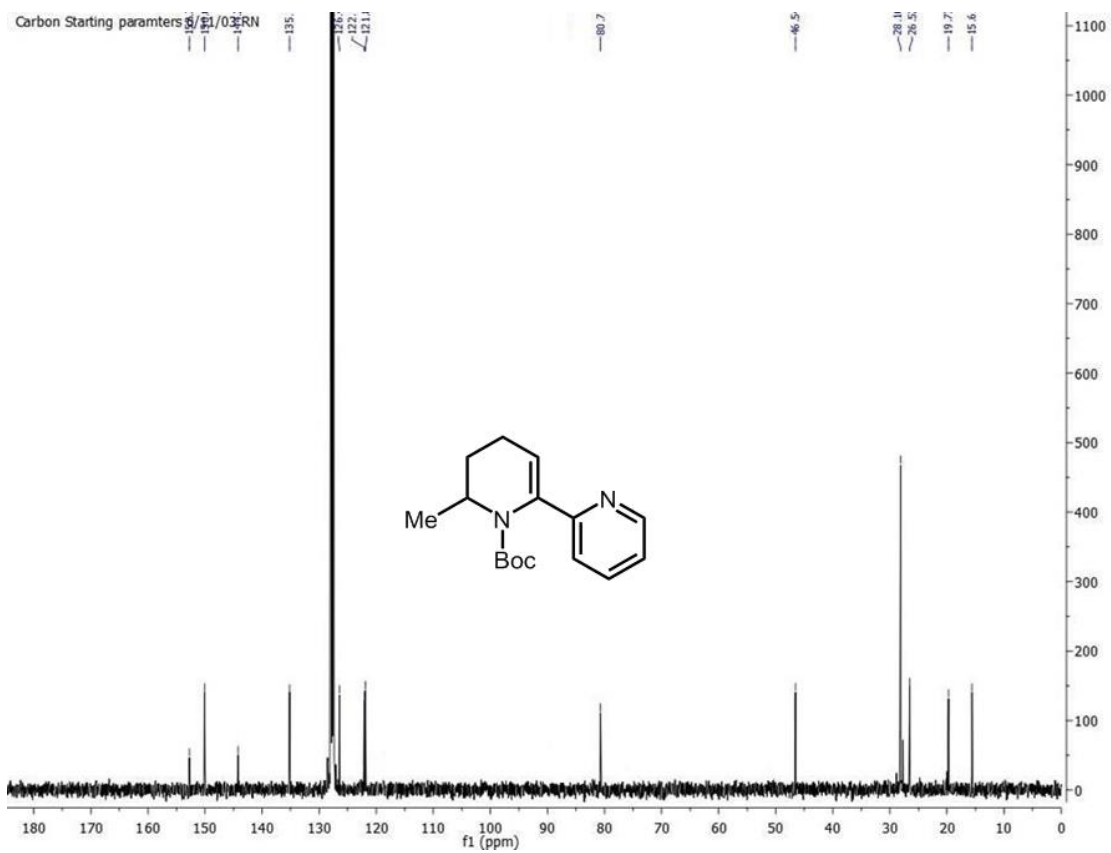
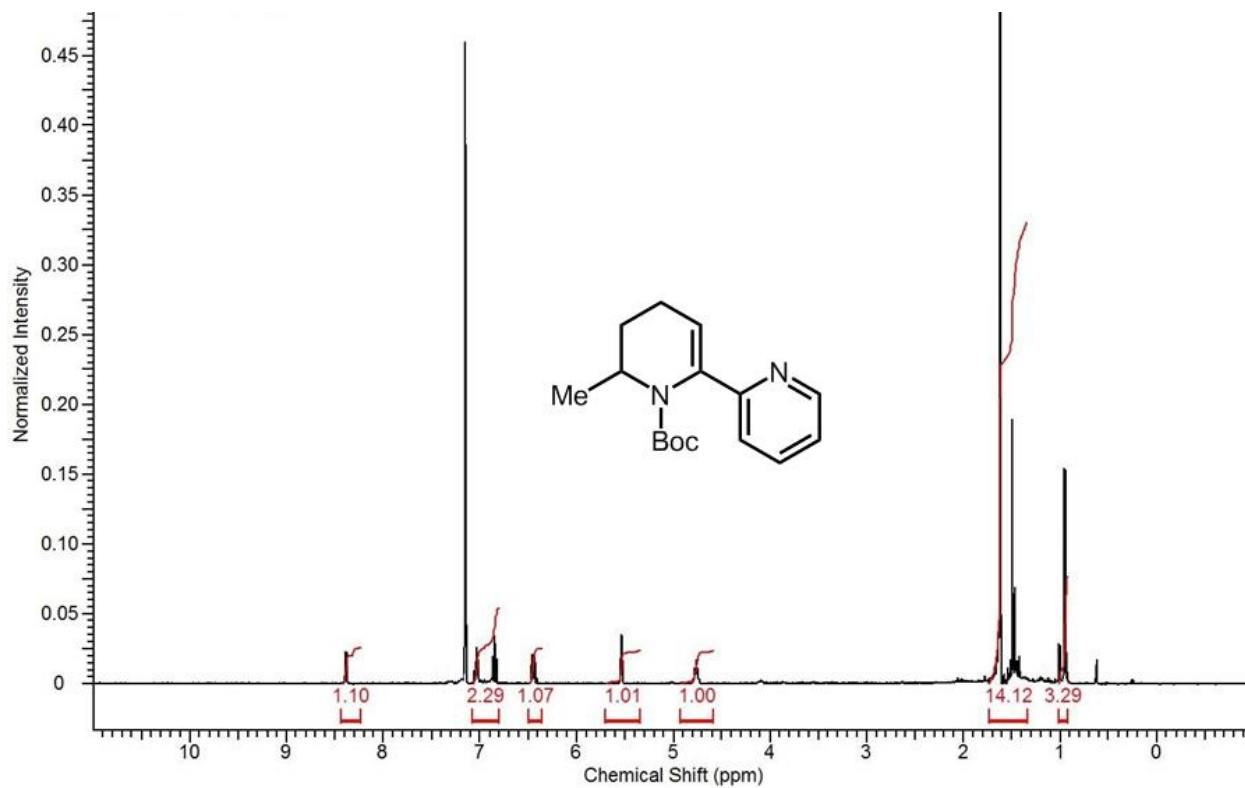


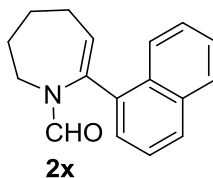
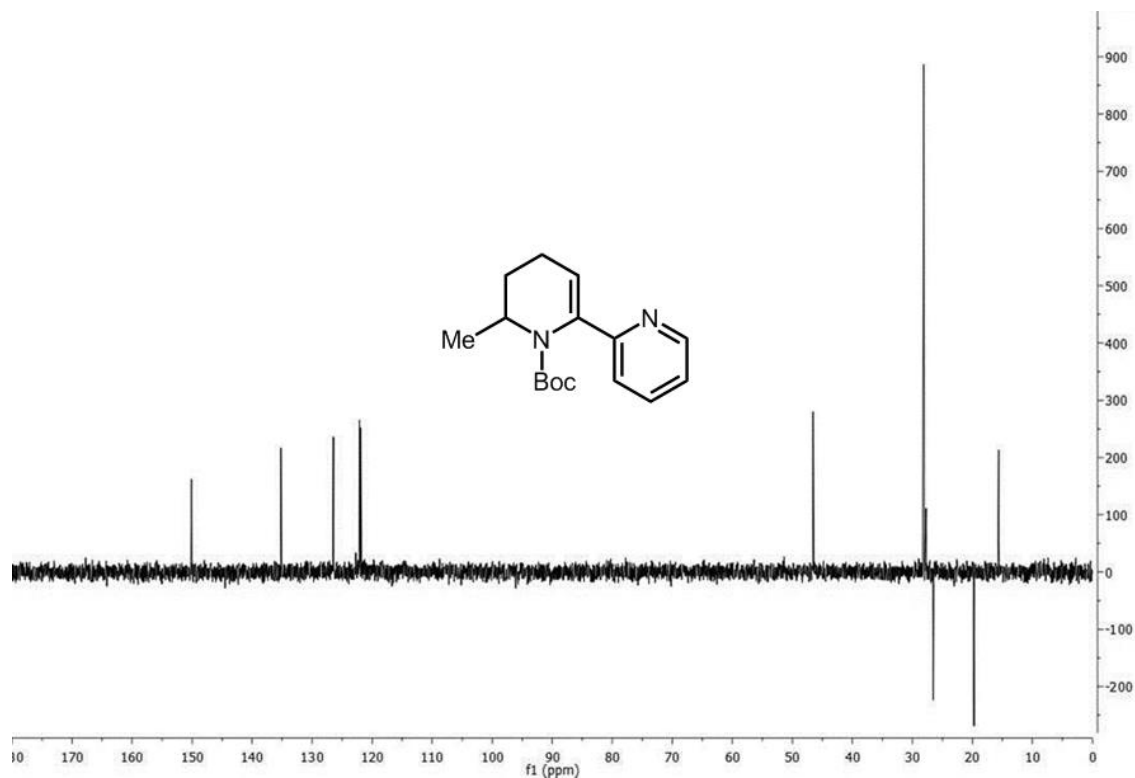


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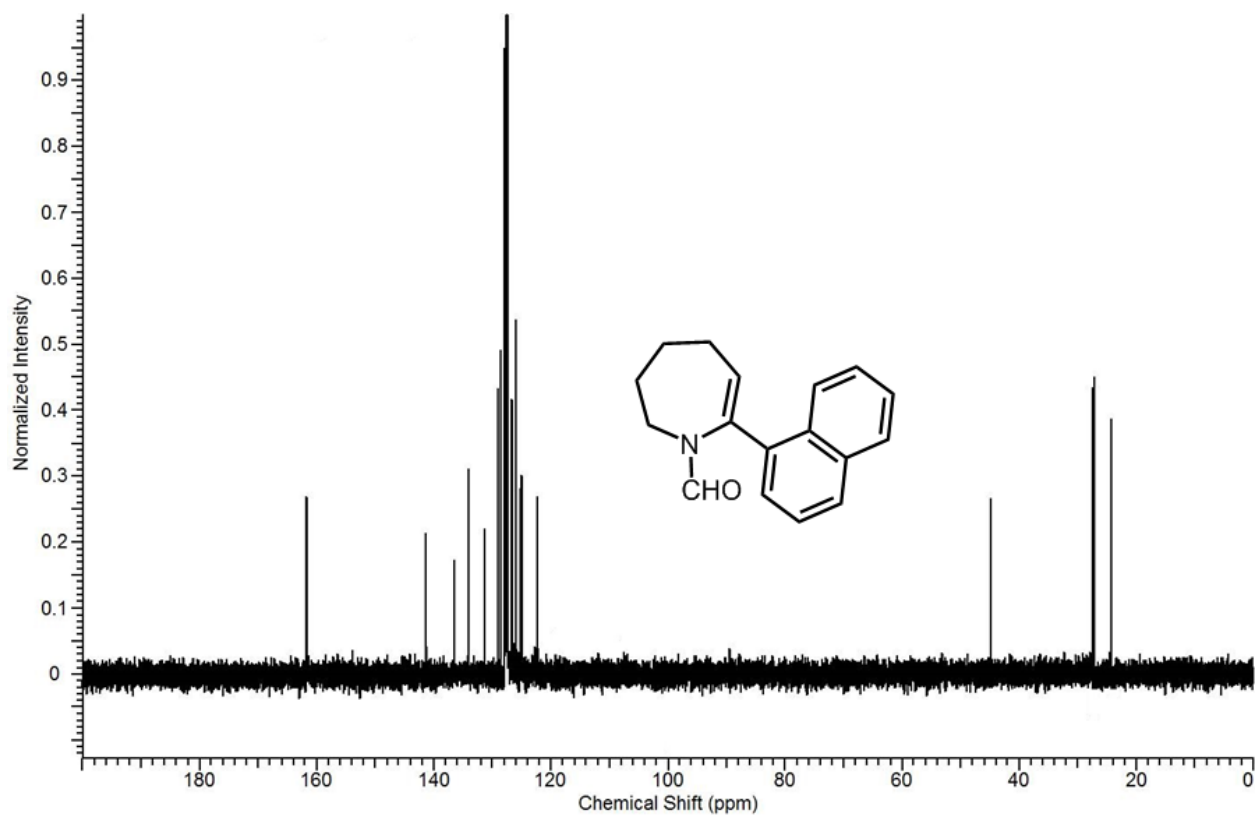
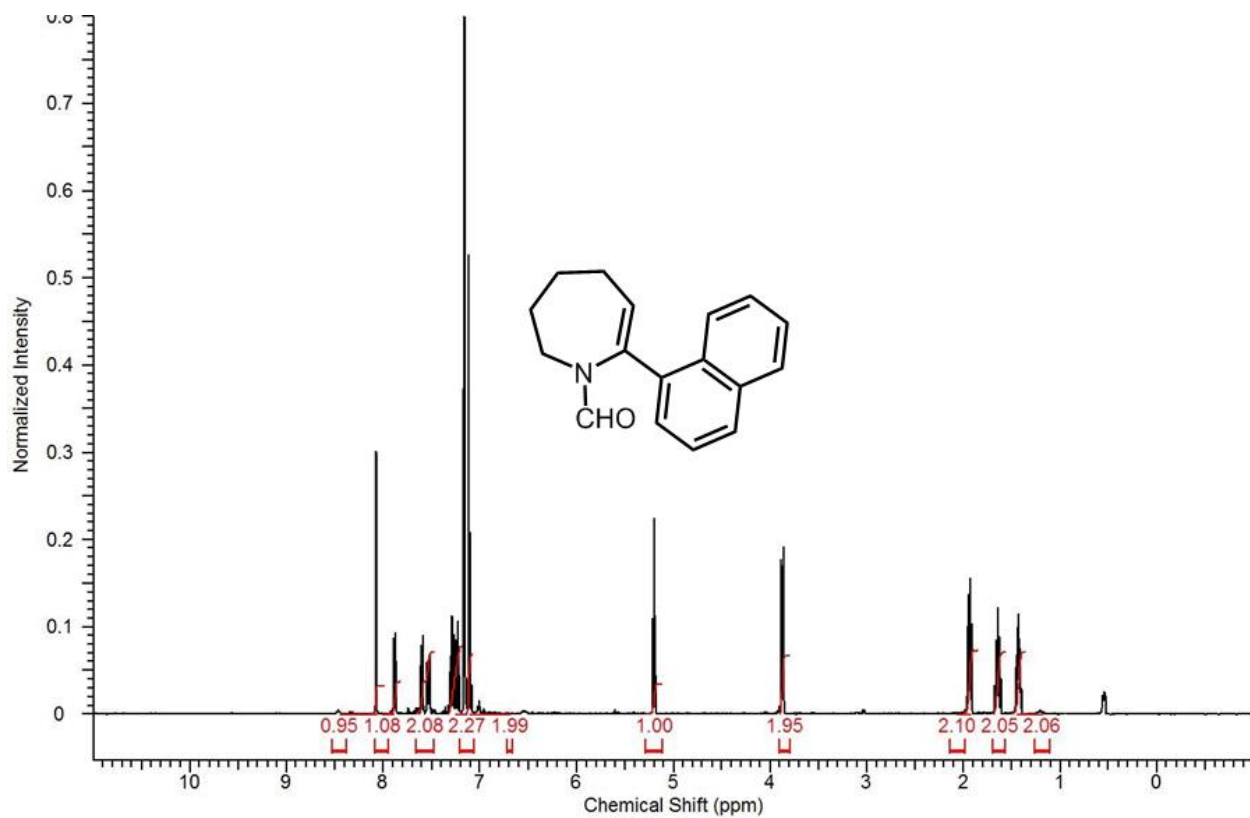


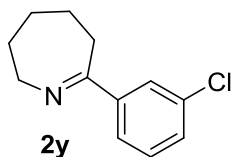
Prepared from enecarbamate **1e** (197 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 2-pyridylboronic acid (1.5 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Yield = 186 mg, 68%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 8.39 (1H), 7.04 (1H), 6.90 to 6.73 (1H), 6.47 to 6.43 (1H), 5.55 to 5.52 (1H), 4.78 to 4.74 (1H), 1.68 to 0.92 (16H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 152.7, 150.0, 144.2, 135.1, 126.4, 122.1, 121.8, 80.7, 46.5, 28.1, 26.5, 19.7, 15.6. **HRMS** calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ 274.1681; found, 274.1685.





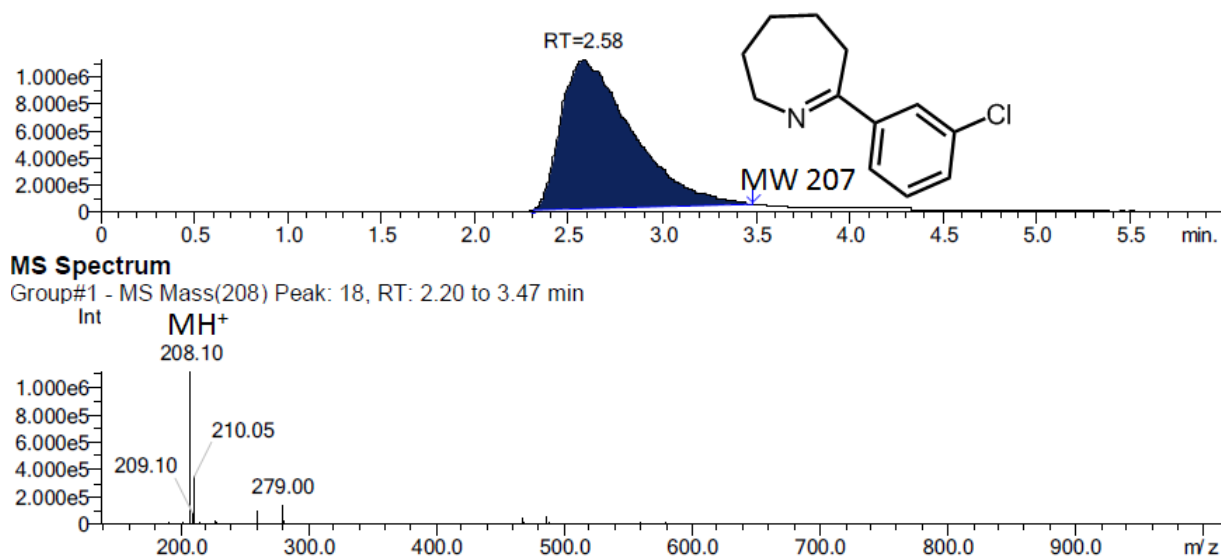
Prepared from **1f** (125 mg, 1 mmol) and 1-naphthyl boronic acid (258 mg, 1.5 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Time = 12 h. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with hexane/EtOAc (70:30). Yield = 183 mg, 73%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.07 (1H), 7.91 to 7.86 (1H), 7.61 to 7.51 (2H), 7.31 to 7.09 (4H), 5.21 to 5.19 (1H), 3.92 to 3.86 (2H), 1.97 to 1.91 (2H), 1.67 to 1.61 (2H), 1.46 to 1.40 (2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 161.6, 141.3, 136.5, 134.0, 131.2, 129.0, 128.6, 126.6, 125.9, 125.1, 124.9, 122.2, 119.1, 44.8, 27.4, 27.1, 24.2. HRMS calc for C₁₇H₁₇NO 251.1310, found 251.1315. Data as previously reported.⁴

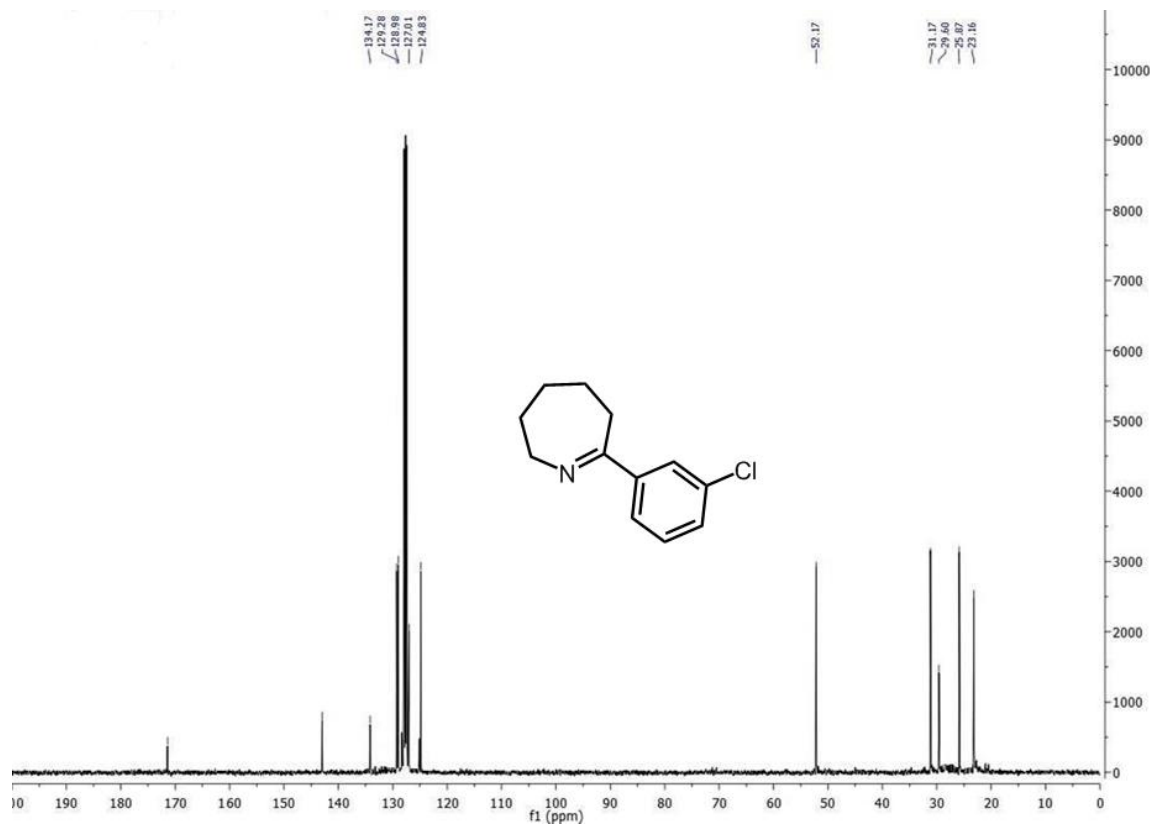
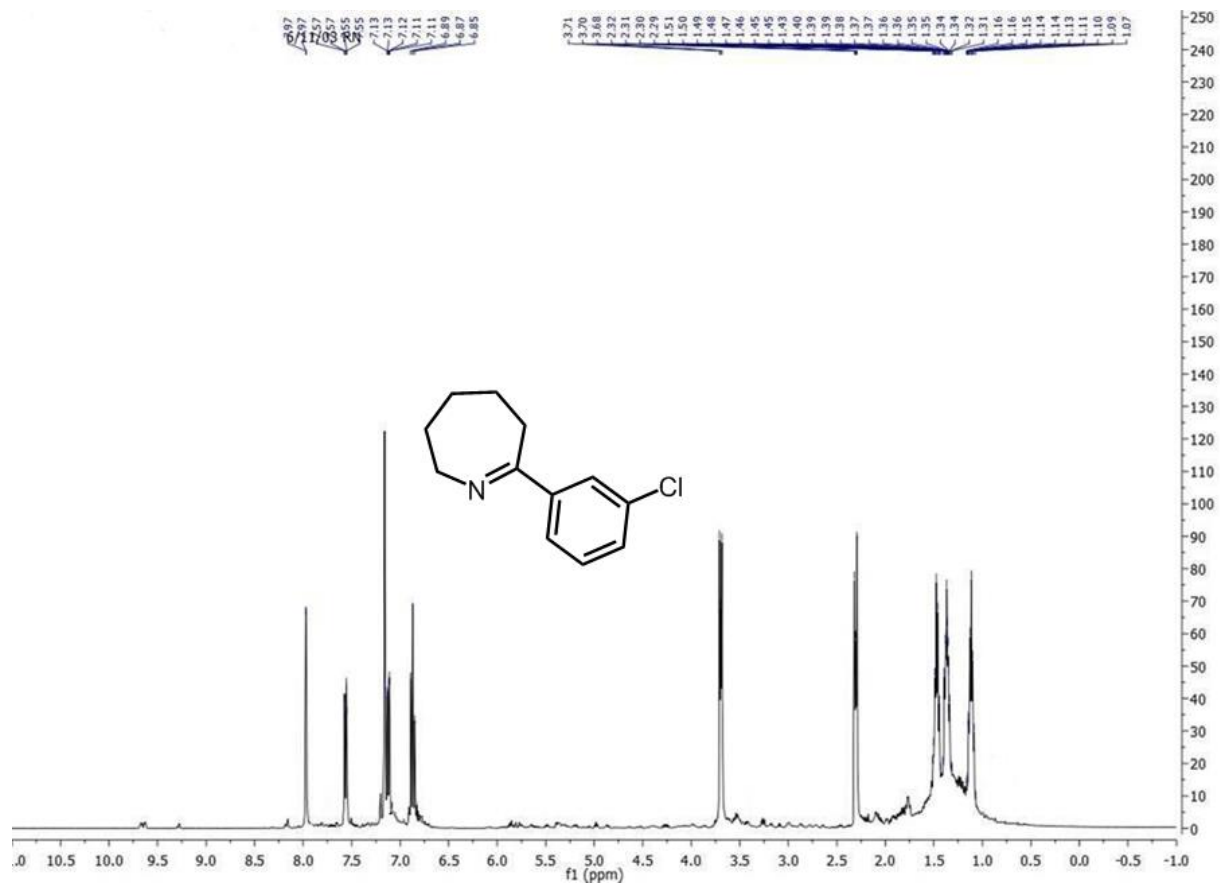


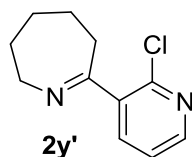
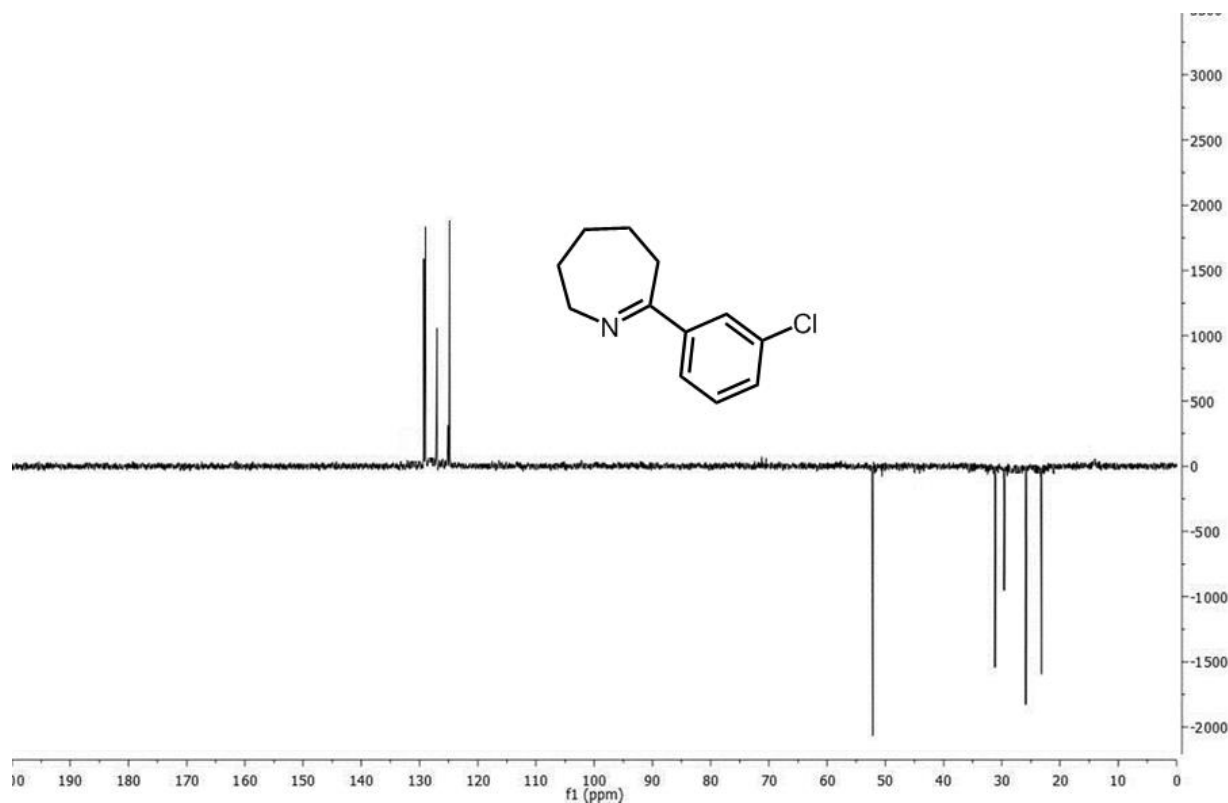


Prepared from **1f** (125 mg, 1 mmol) and 3-chlorophenylboronic acid (188 mg, 1.2 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Time = 12 h. The crude product was deformylated as follows:

To the crude eneformamide dissolved in freshly distilled THF (5 mL) was added *n*-BuLi (0.6 mL, 1.2 mmol, 2.0 M in hexanes, 1.2 equiv) at -78 °C. After complete deprotection of the eneformamide (~30 min, as indicated by TLC and LCMS-monitoring), the mixture was quenched with H₂O and diluted with EtOAc. It was washed with *sat.* NaHCO₃ and with brine. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the product as an oil. Yield = 162 mg, 78%. ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 171.4, 142.9, 134.1, 129.2, 128.9, 127.0, 124.8, 52.1, 31.1, 29.6, 25.8, 23.1. HRMS calc for C₁₂H₁₄ClN 207.0815, found 207.0811.

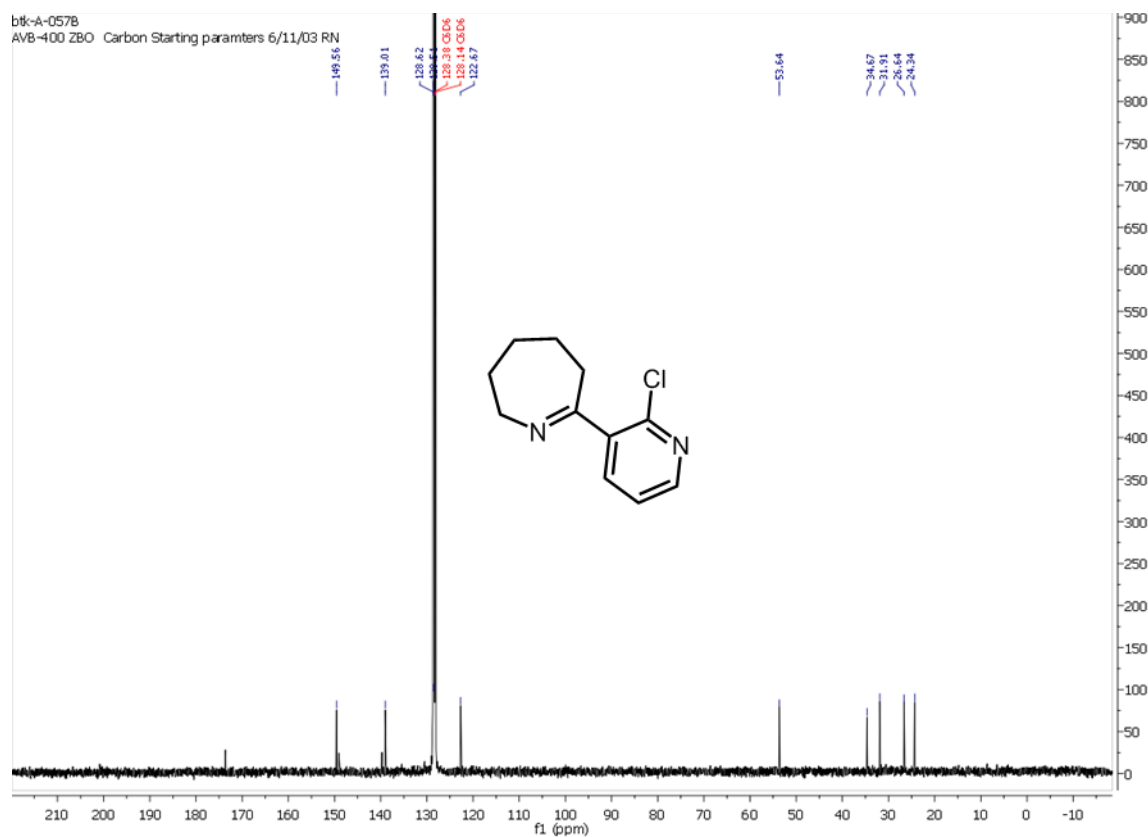
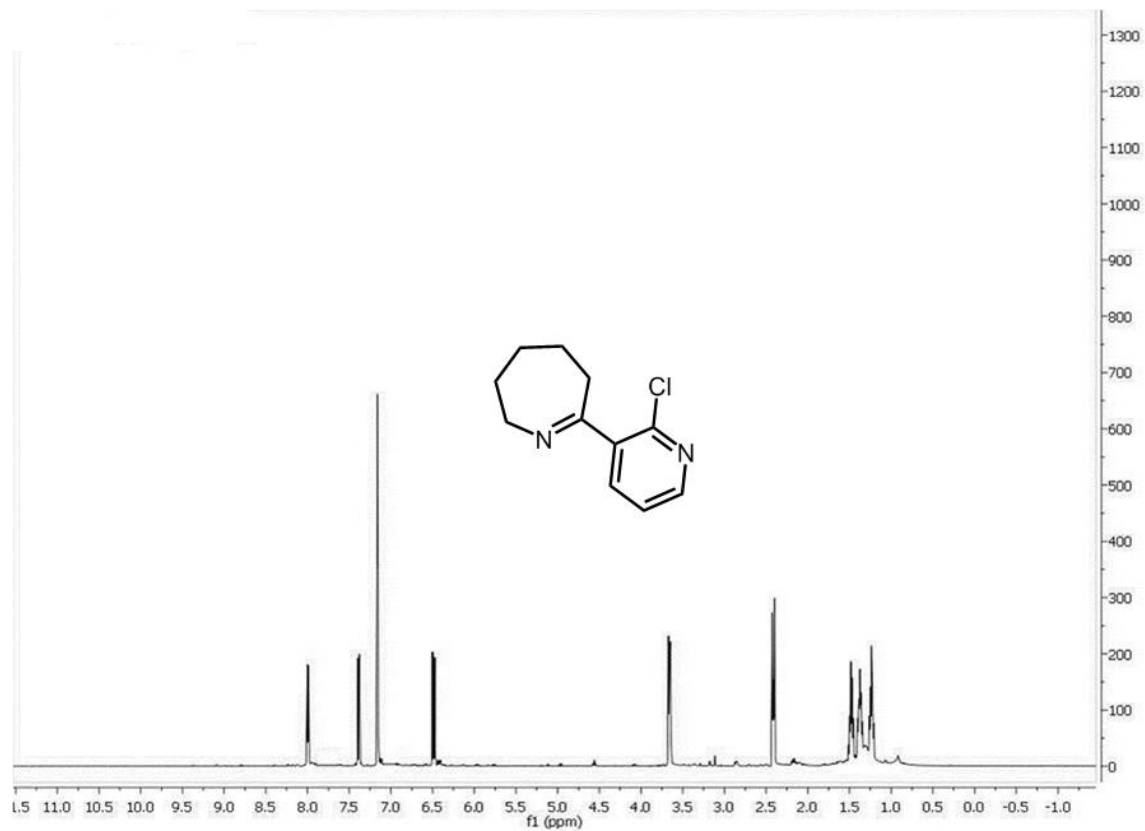


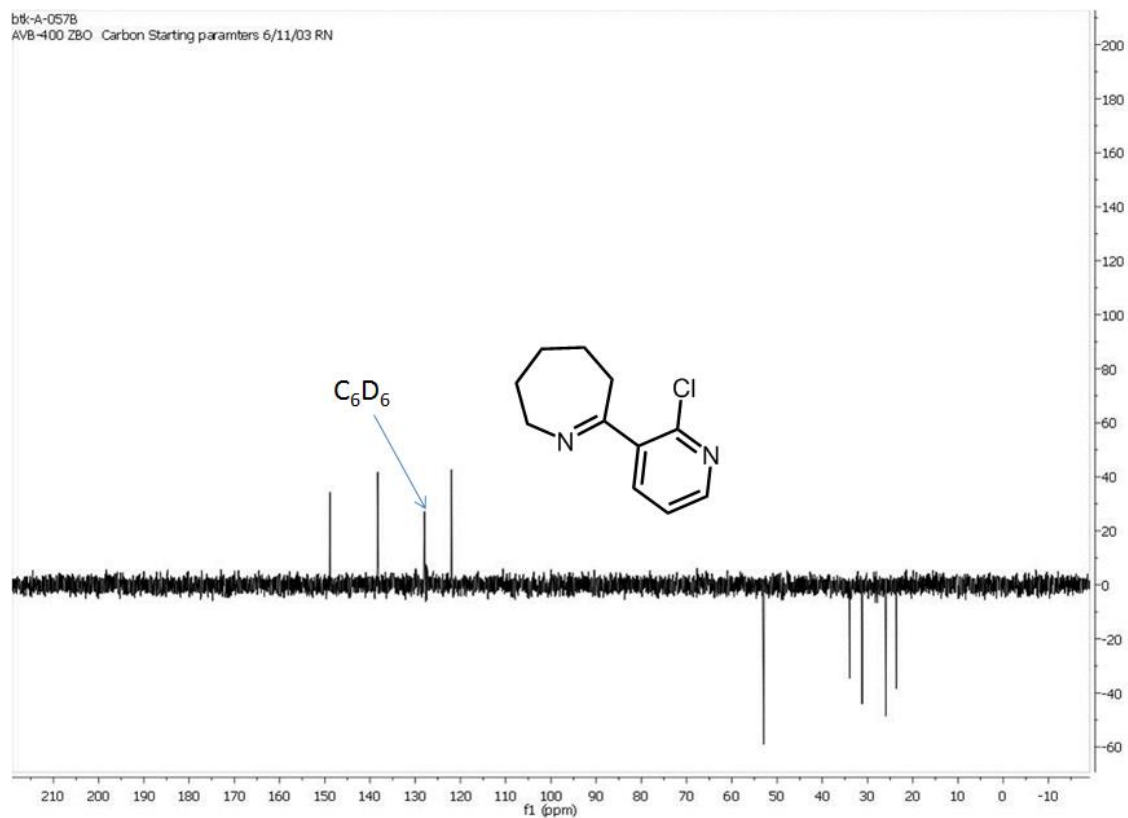


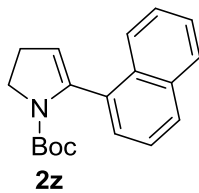


Prepared from **1f** (125 mg, 1.0 mmol), 2-chloro-3-pyridylboronic acid (236 mg, 1.5 mmol, 1 equiv), Temp = 90 °C, time = 36 h. The crude product was deformylated as follows:

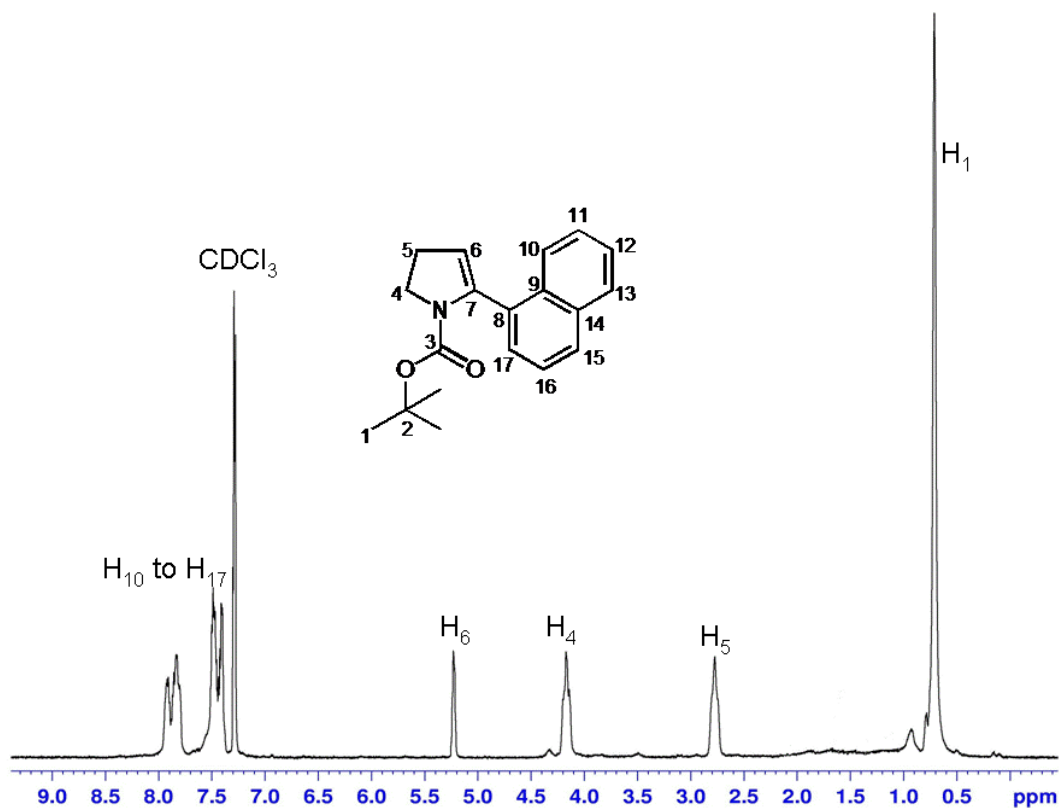
To the crude eneformamide dissolved in freshly distilled THF (5 mL) was added *n*-BuLi (0.60 mL, 1.2 mmol, 2.0 M in hexanes, 1.2 equiv) at -78 °C. After complete deprotection of the eneformamide (~30 min, as indicated by TLC and LCMS-monitoring), the mixture was quenched with H₂O and diluted with EtOAc. It was washed with *sat.* NaHCO₃ and then with brine. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the product as an oil. Yield = 127 mg, 61%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.01 (1H, d), 7.39 (1H, d), 6.51 to 6.46 (1H, dd), 3.67 to 3.65 (2H, dd), 2.43 to 2.39 (2H, dd), 1.53 to 1.18 (6H, m). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 149.5, 139.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 122.6, 53.6, 34.6, 31.9, 26.6, 24.3. . HRMS calc for C₁₁H₁₃ClN₂ 208.0767, found 208.0770.

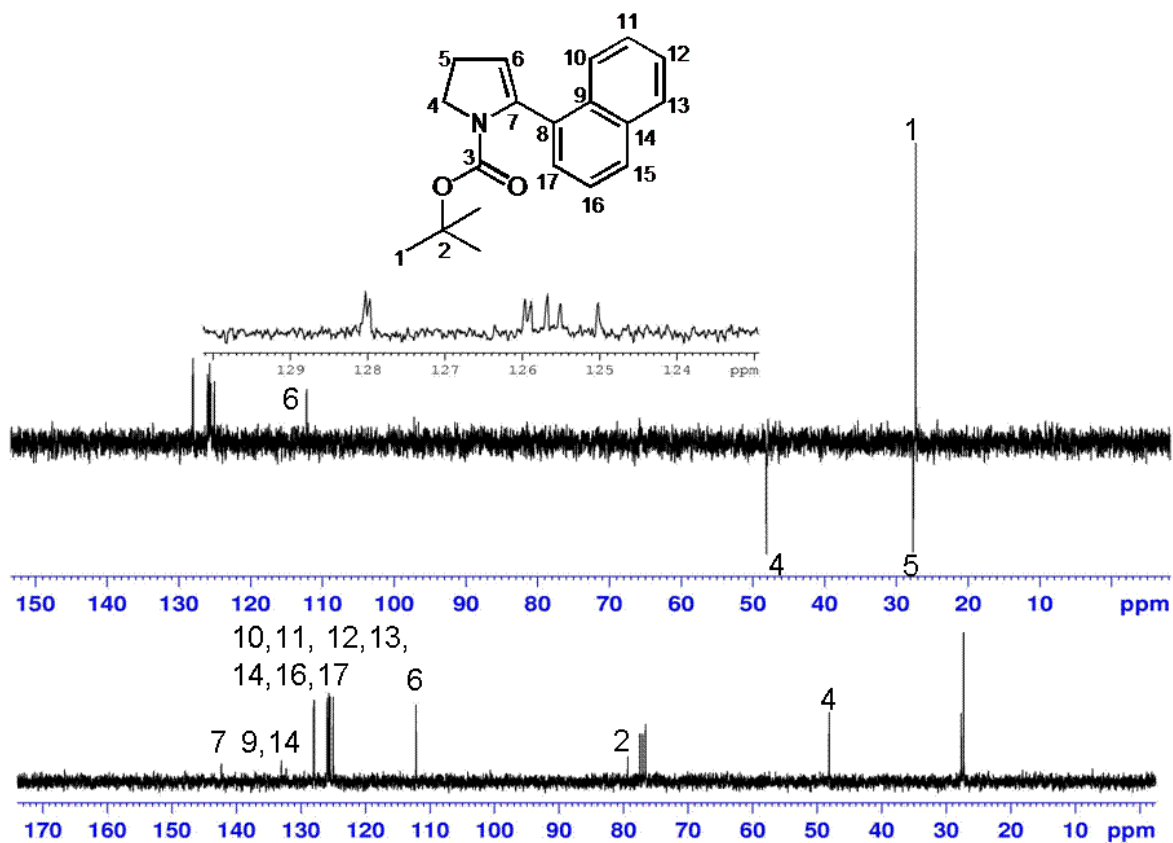


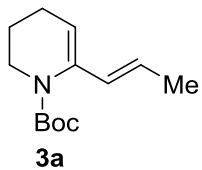




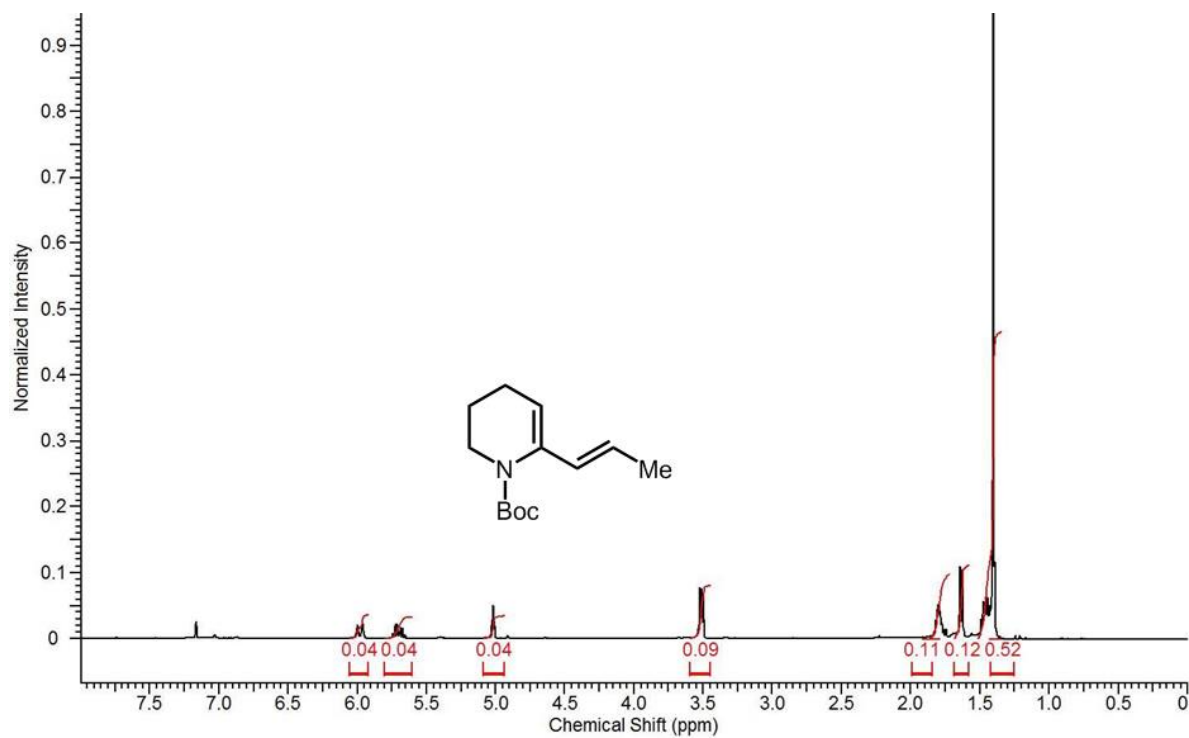
Prepared from **1g** (169 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 1-naphthyl boronic acid (258 mg, 1.5 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Time = 12 h. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with PE/DCM (1:1). Yield = 79%. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers) δ 8.23–7.37 (7H), 5.23 (1H), 4.26 (2H), 2.81 (2H), 1.01 – 0.61 (9H) ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 155.4, 142.1, 141.8, 134.0, 131.5, 128.9, 127.3, 125.8, 125.4, 124.9, 123.5, 123.2, 112.2, 79.8, 48.2, 28.8, 28.3. HRMS calc for C₁₉H₂₁NO₂ 295.1572, found 295.1569.

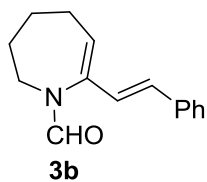
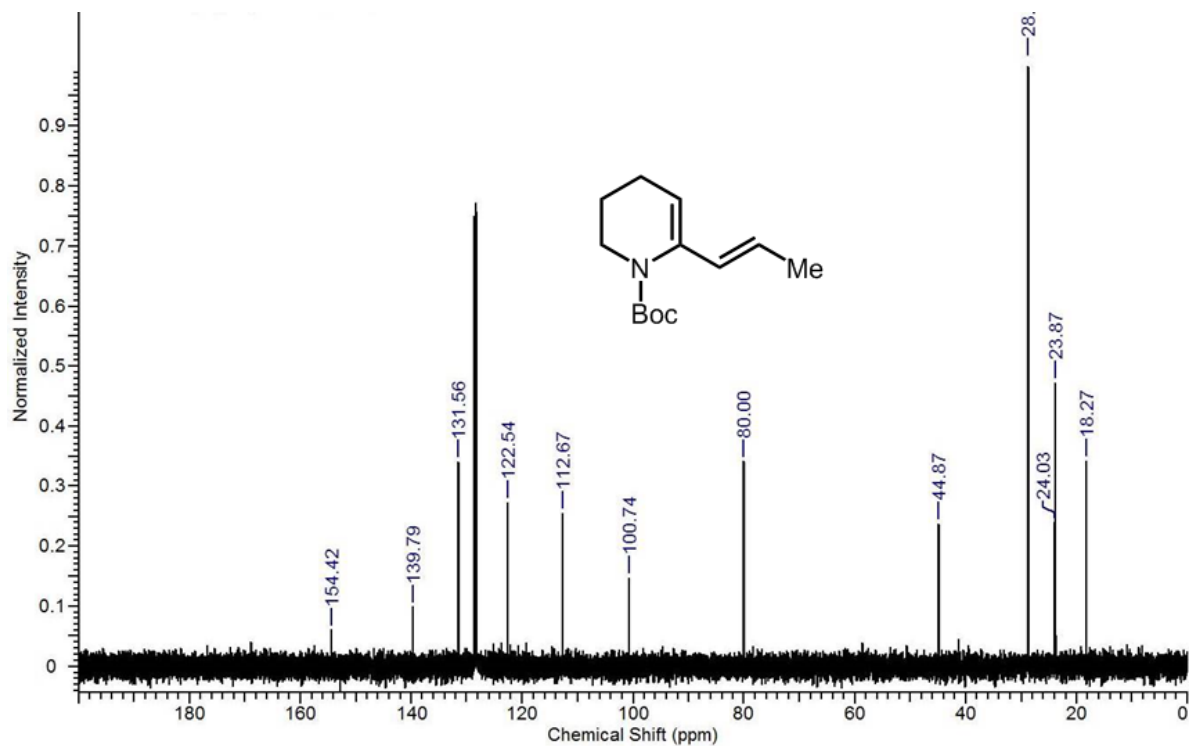




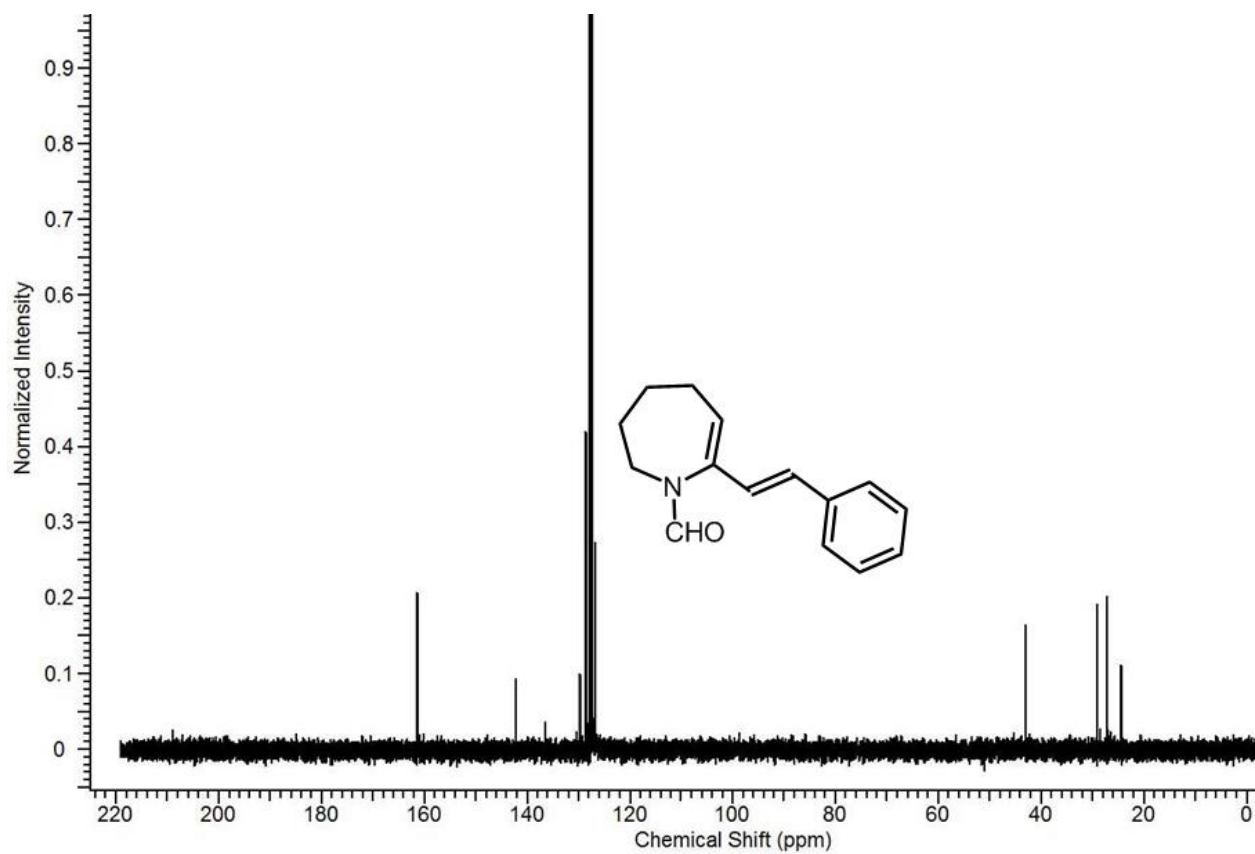
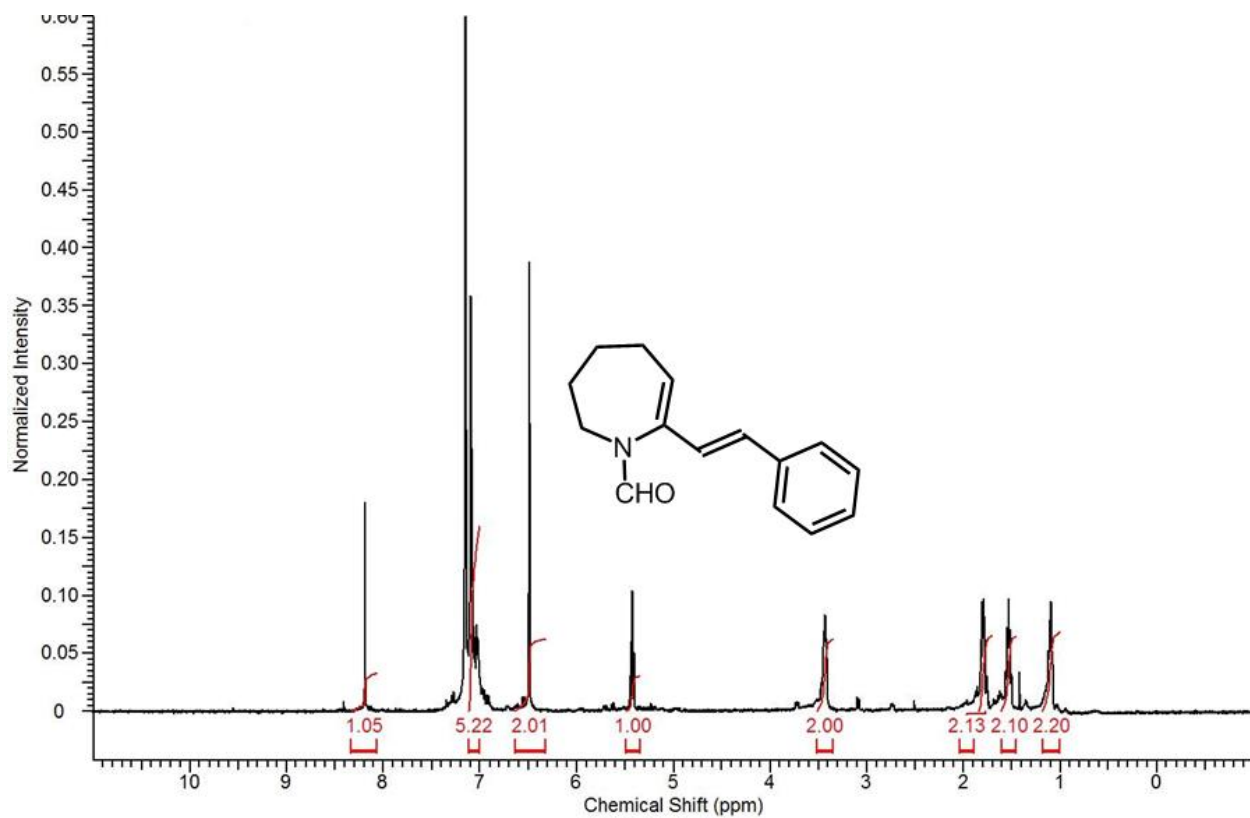


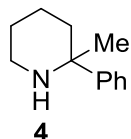
Prepared from **1c** (183 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 1-propenylboronic acid (2 equiv), using **General Procedure A**. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with PE/DCM (2:1). Yield = 154 mg; 69%. Data as previously reported by us.¹





Prepared from **1f** (125 mg, 1 mmol) and β -styrenylboronic acid (2 equiv) using **Procedure A**. Time = 32 h. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with hexane/EtOAc (90:10). Yield = 136 mg, 60%. Data as previously reported by us.⁴



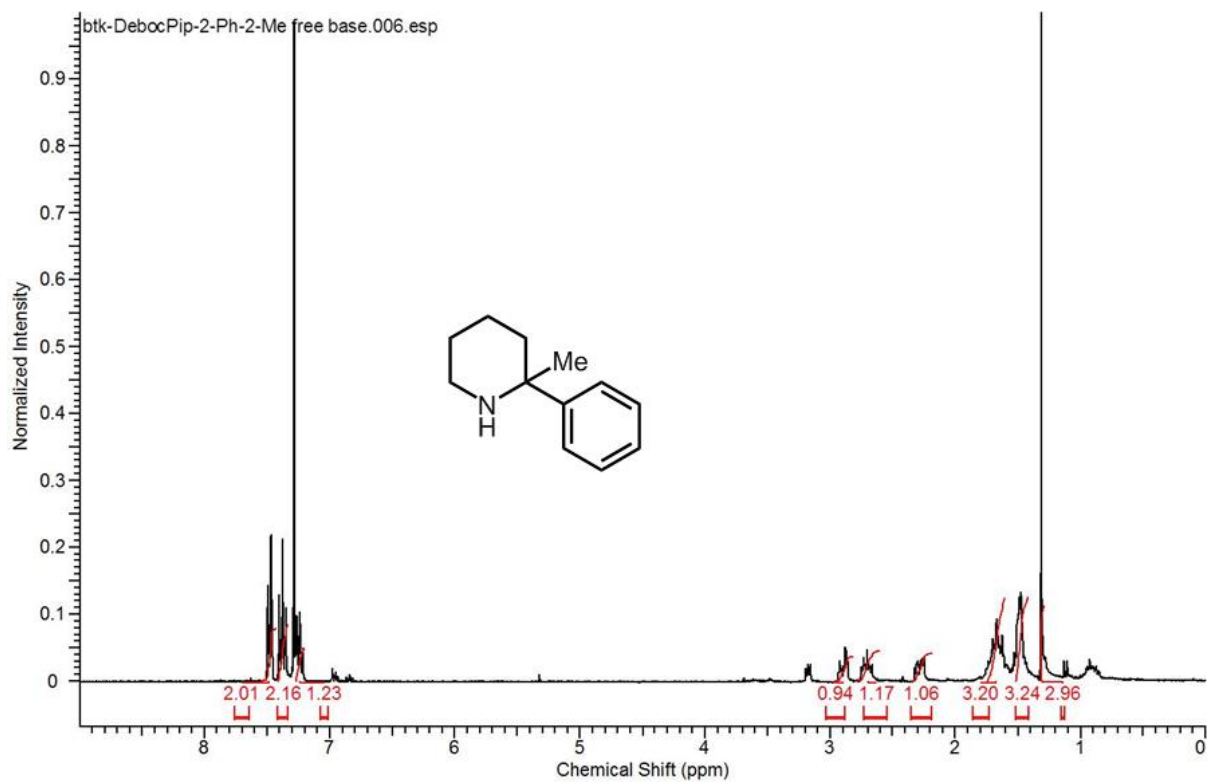


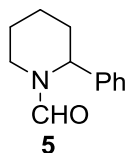
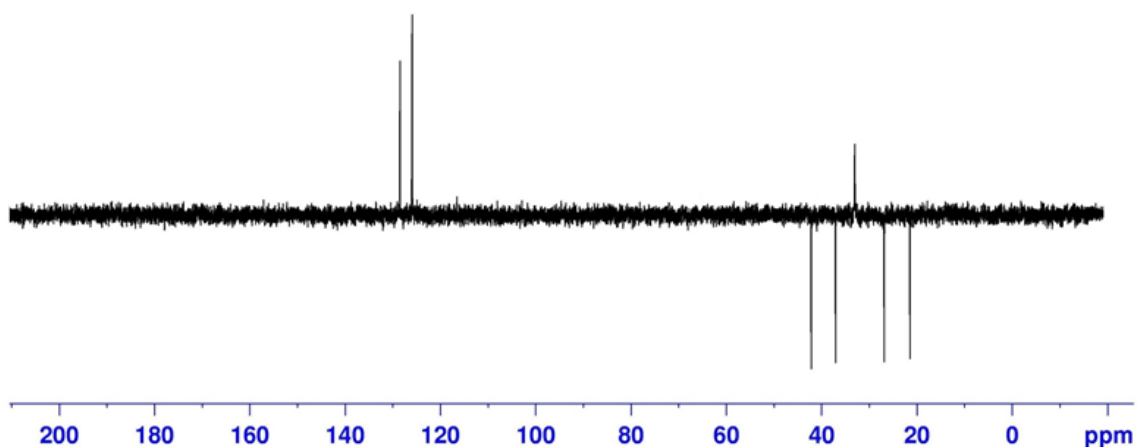
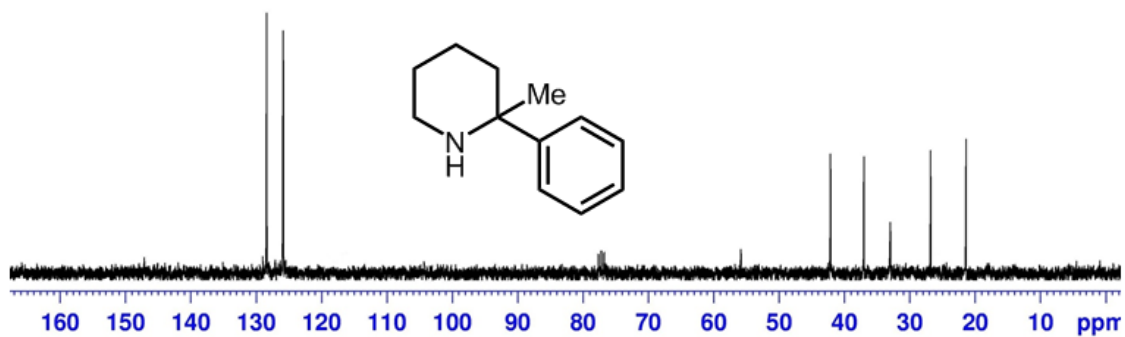
Imine formation

To eneformamide **2a** (47 mg, 0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) dissolved in freshly distilled THF (5 mL) was added *n*-BuLi (0.15 mL, 0.30 mmol, 2.0 M in hexanes, 1.2 equiv) at -78 °C. After complete deprotection of the eneformamide (~30 min, as indicated by TLC and LCMS-monitoring), the mixture was quenched with H₂O and diluted with EtOAc. It was washed with *sat.* NaHCO₃ and then with brine. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the crude product as an oil.

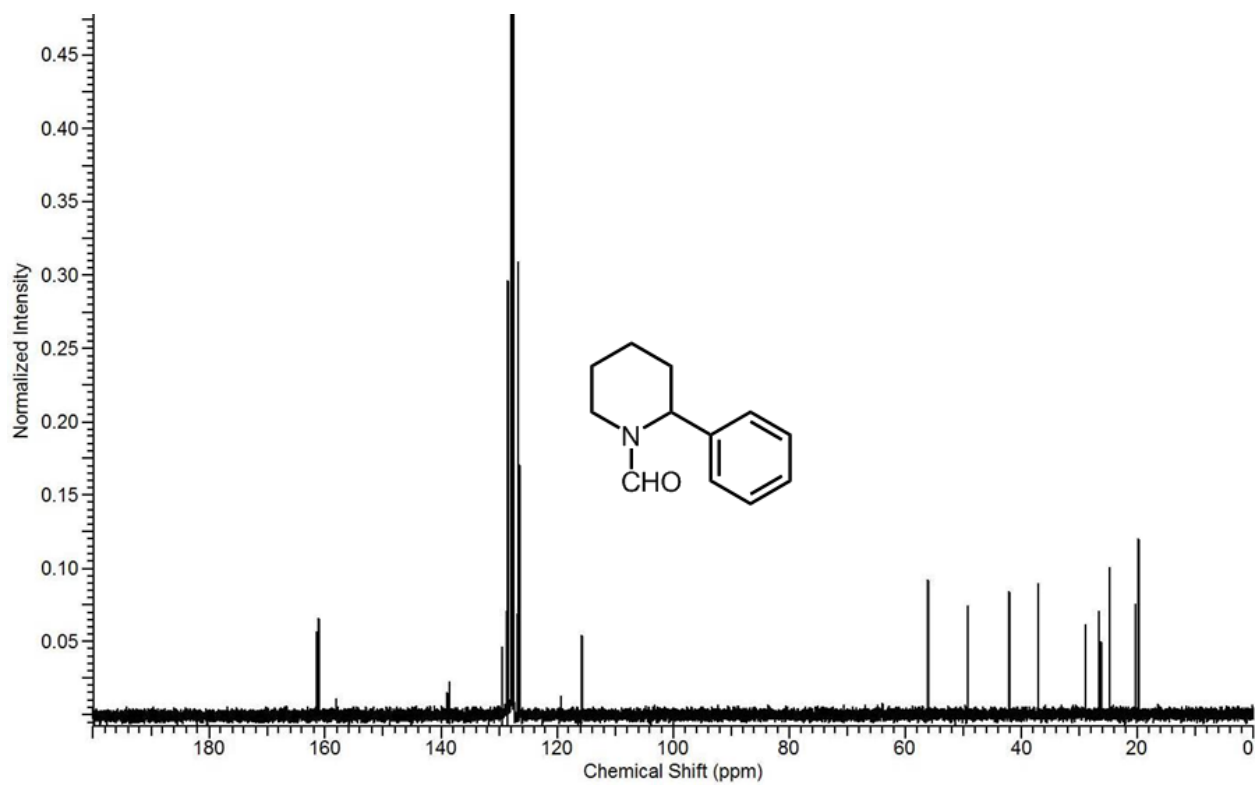
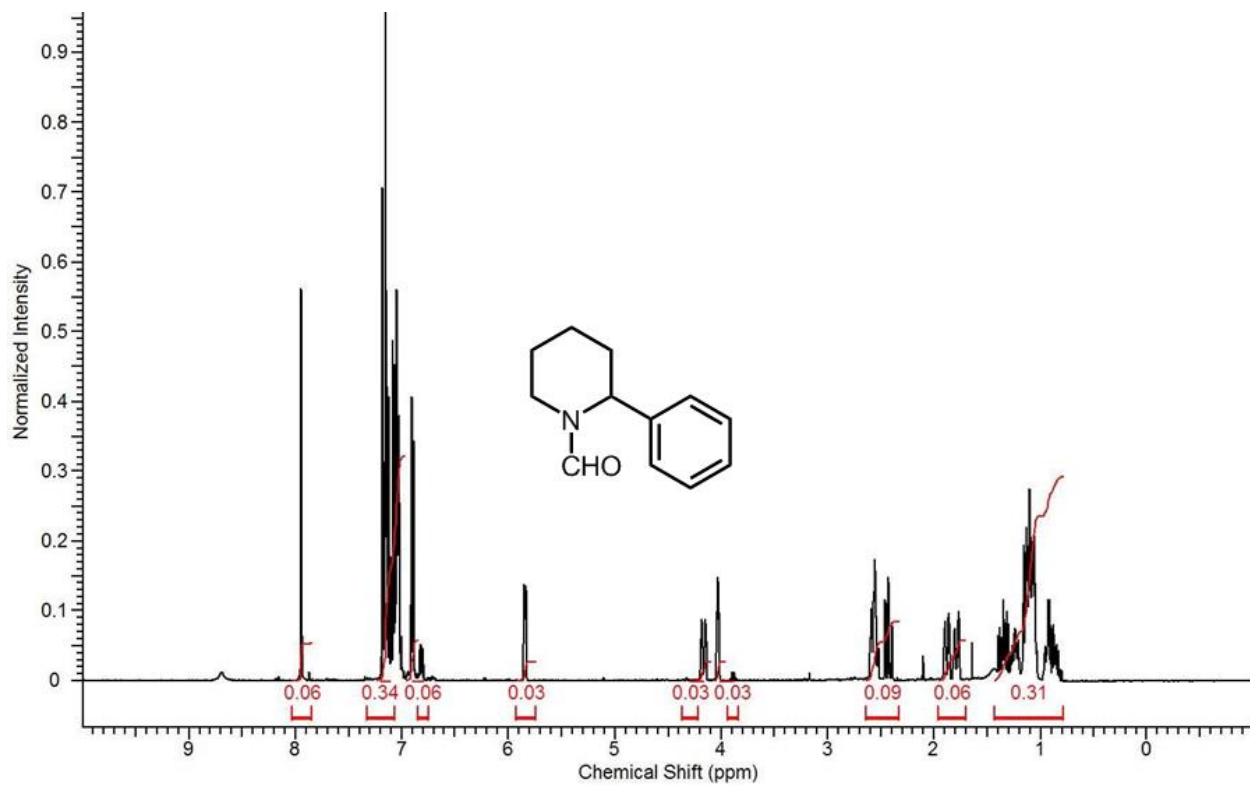
Grignard addition

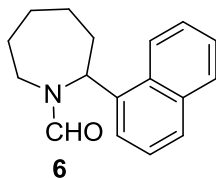
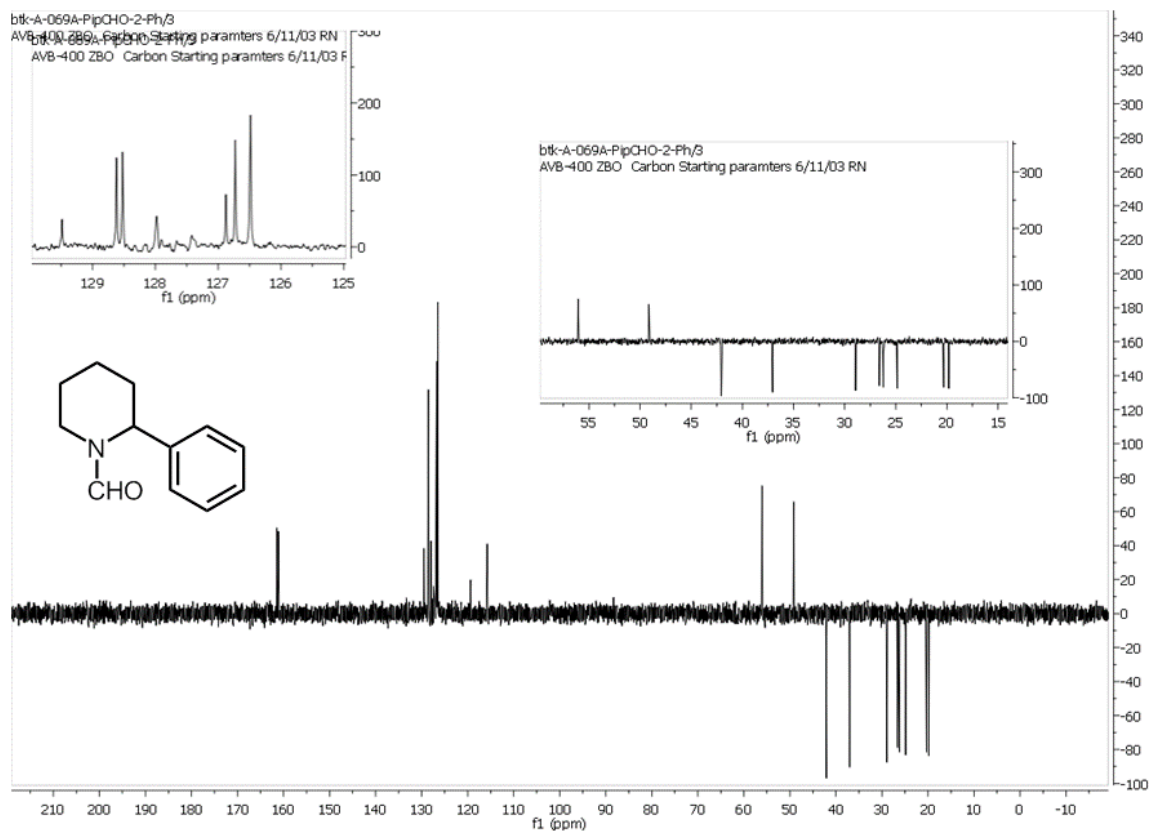
To the crude imine dissolved in freshly distilled THF (2 mL), was slowly added methyl magnesium bromide (0.1 mL, 3.0 M solution in Et₂O, 1.2 equiv) under nitrogen at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 10 min at 0 °C, then warmed slowly to room temperature. After complete consumption of the imine (as indicated by TLC and LC-MS, ~12 h), the mixture was cooled to 0 °C, diluted with Et₂O. Water was then added slowly and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted twice with Et₂O and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ for 30 min, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the desired product. Purification: Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with Hexane/EtOAc (1:2). Yield = 39 mg; 88%. Data as reported.⁵



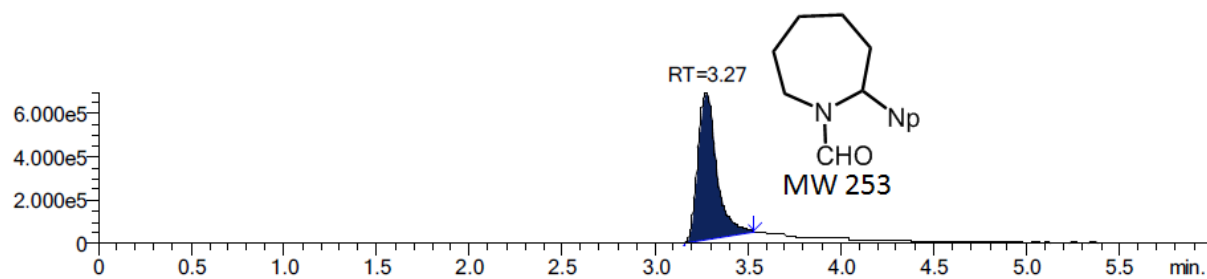


Prepared from **2a** (47 mg, 0.25 mmol), 10% Pd/C (100 mg) and EtOAc (5 mL), using **General Procedure B**. Time = 18 h. Yield = 46 mg, 99%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , mixture of rotamers) δ 7.96 (1H, s) 7.19 to 6.90 (5H), 5.80 (0.5H, dd), 4.20 to 4.15 (0.5H, dd), 4.04 (0.5 H, dd), 2.60 to 2.40 (1.5, m), 1.91 to 1.78 (1H, m) 1.39 to 0.89 (5H, m). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 161.4, 161.1, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 126.8, 126.7, 126.4, 115.7, 56.0, 49.1, 42.0, 37.0, 28.9, 26.6, 26.2, 24.8, 20.3, 19.8. HRMS calc for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}$ 189.1154, found 189.1157.



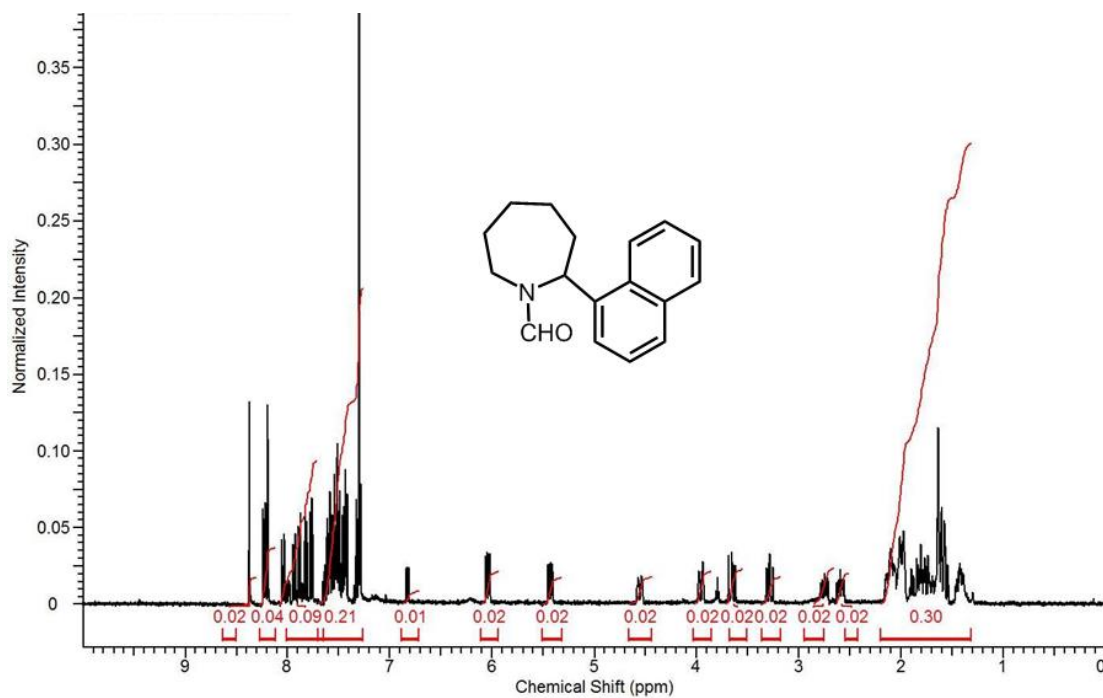
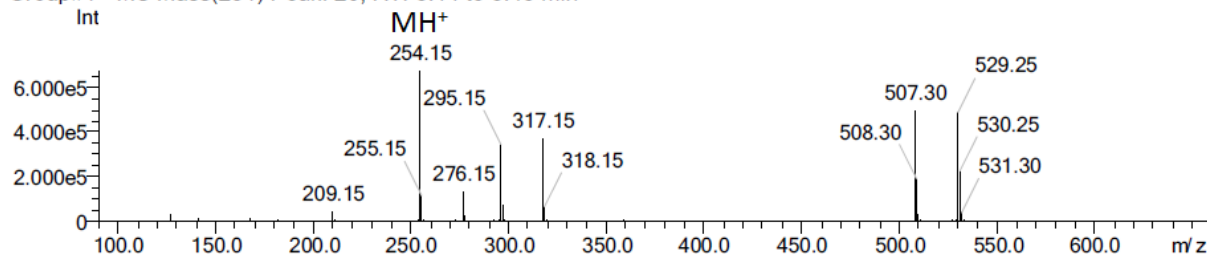


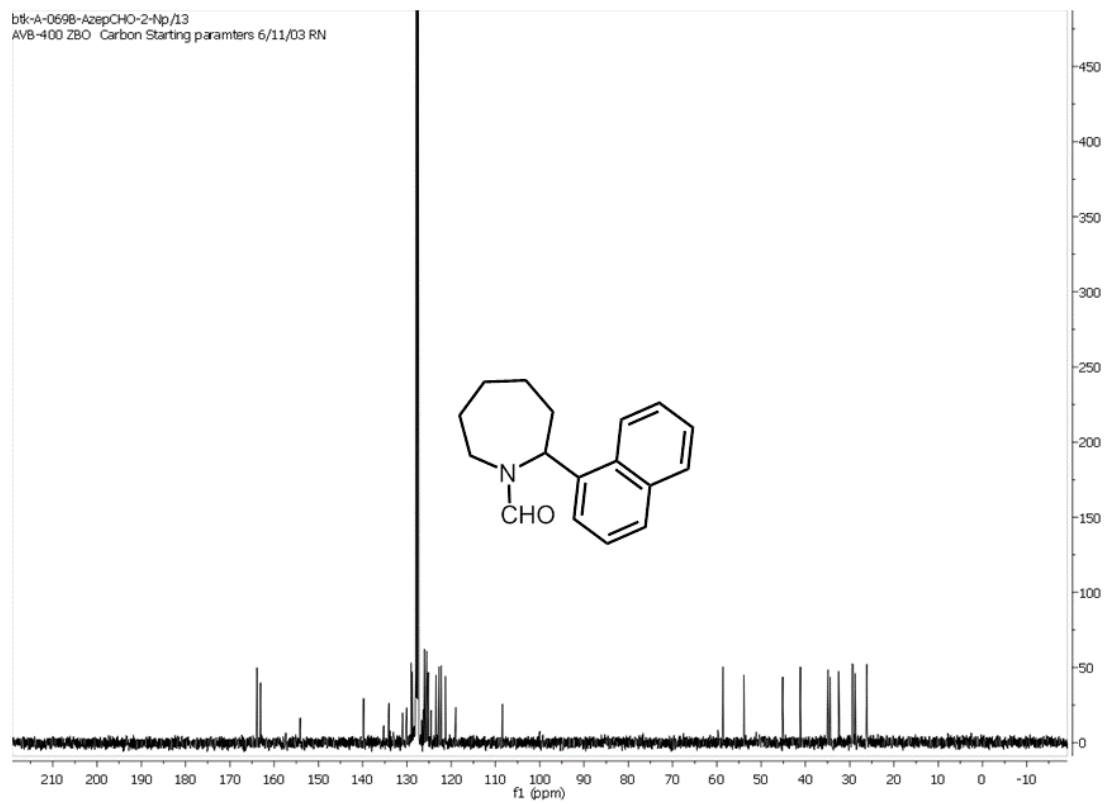
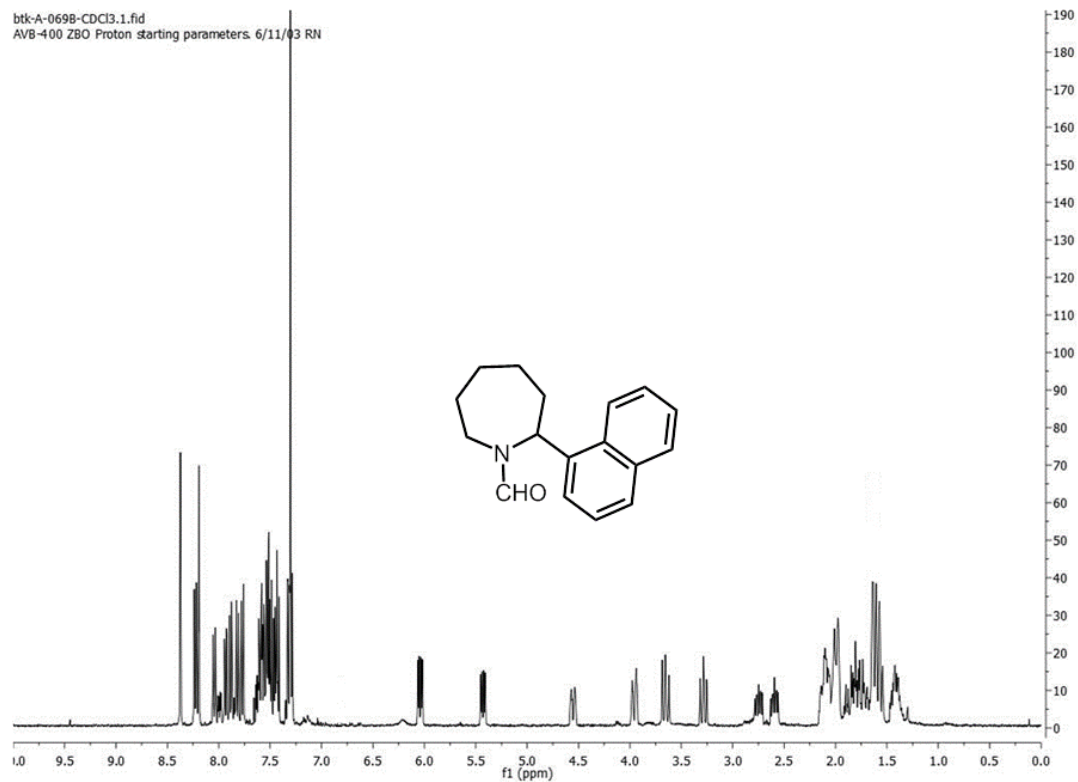
Prepared from **2x** (63 mg, 0.25 mmol), 10% Pd/C (100 mg) and EtOAc (5 mL), using **General Procedure B**. Time = 18 h. Yield = 60 mg, 94%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , mixture of rotamers) δ 8.37 to 7.28 (16H), 6.06 to 6.02 (1H), 5.45 to 5.41 (1H), 4.58 to 4.53 (1H), 3.98 to 3.93 (1H), 3.69 to 3.62 (1H), 3.32 to 3.25 (1H), 2.78 to 2.67 (1H), 2.63 to 2.56 (1H), 2.16 to 1.30 (14H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 163.8, 163.0, 154.0, 139.7, 139.7, 134.1, 134.0, 131.0, 130.0, 129.0, 128.7, 126.0, 126.0, 125.5, 125.5, 125.5, 125.1, 123.4, 122.7, 122.2, 121.2, 108.4, 58.6, 53.8, 45.1, 41.1, 34.9, 34.3, 32.4, 29.4, 29.1, 28.7, 26.2, 26.1. HRMS calc for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}$ 253.1467, found 253.1470.

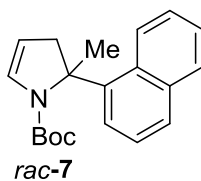
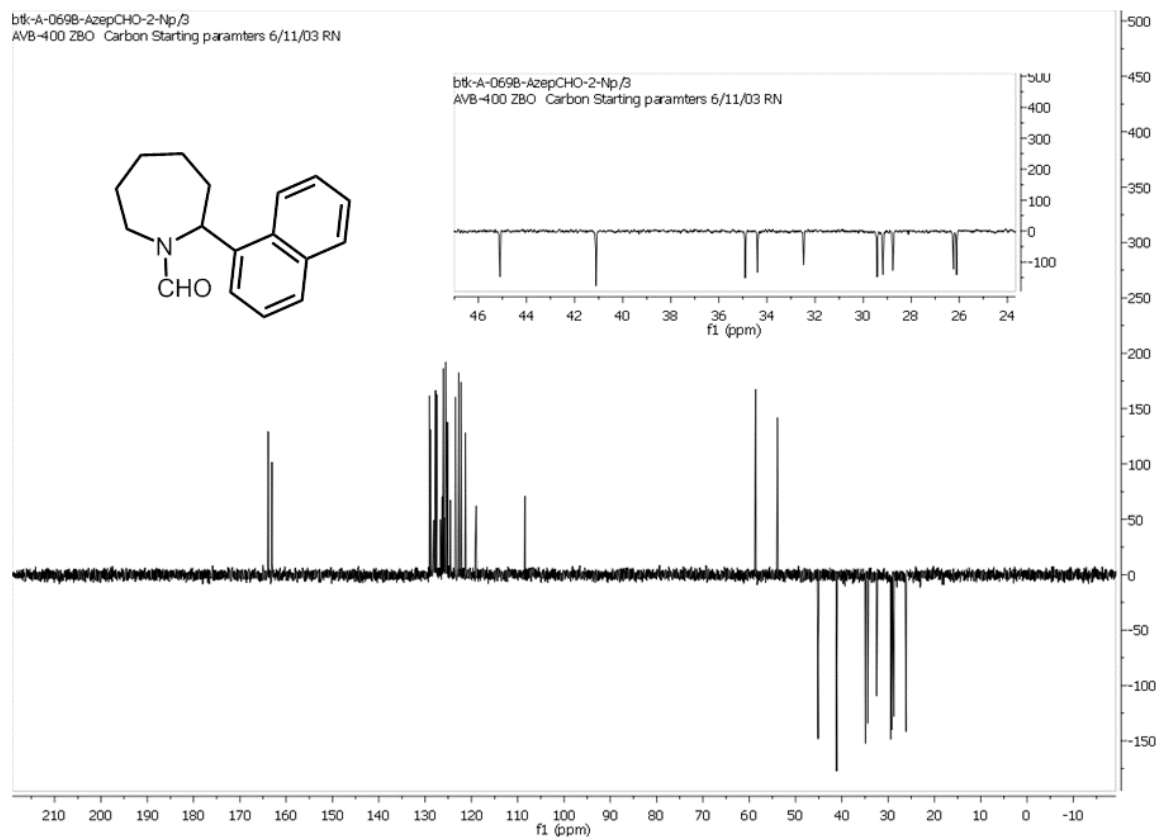


MS Spectrum

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Catalytic Hydrogenation:

Encarbamate **2z** (1 mmol) was hydrogenated **General Procedure B**, time = 22 h.

Benzylic lithiation/methylation

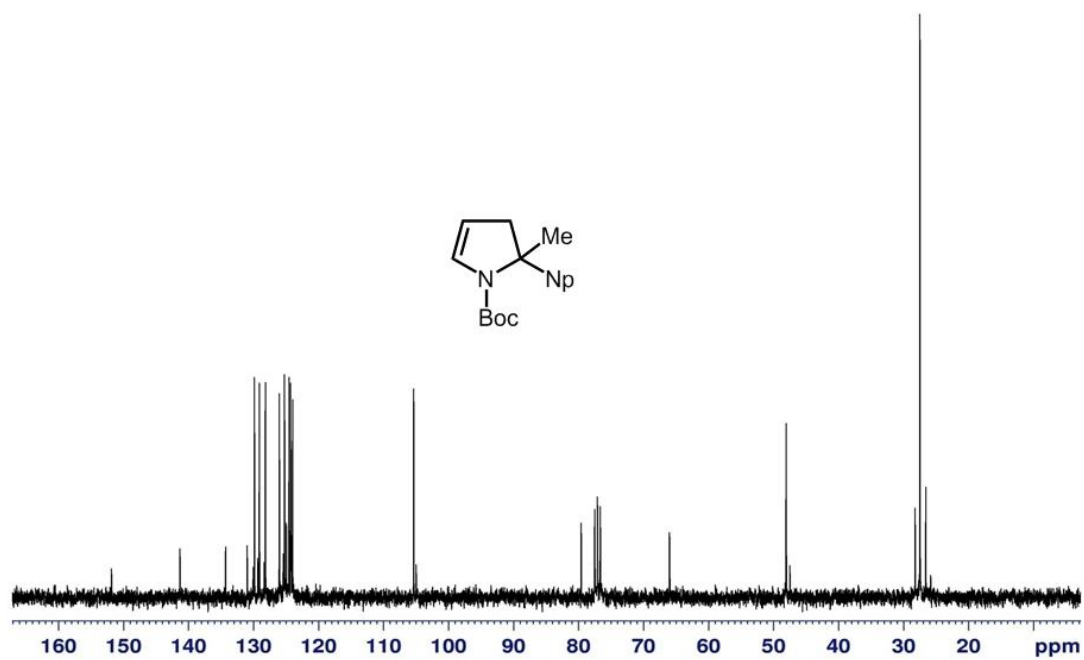
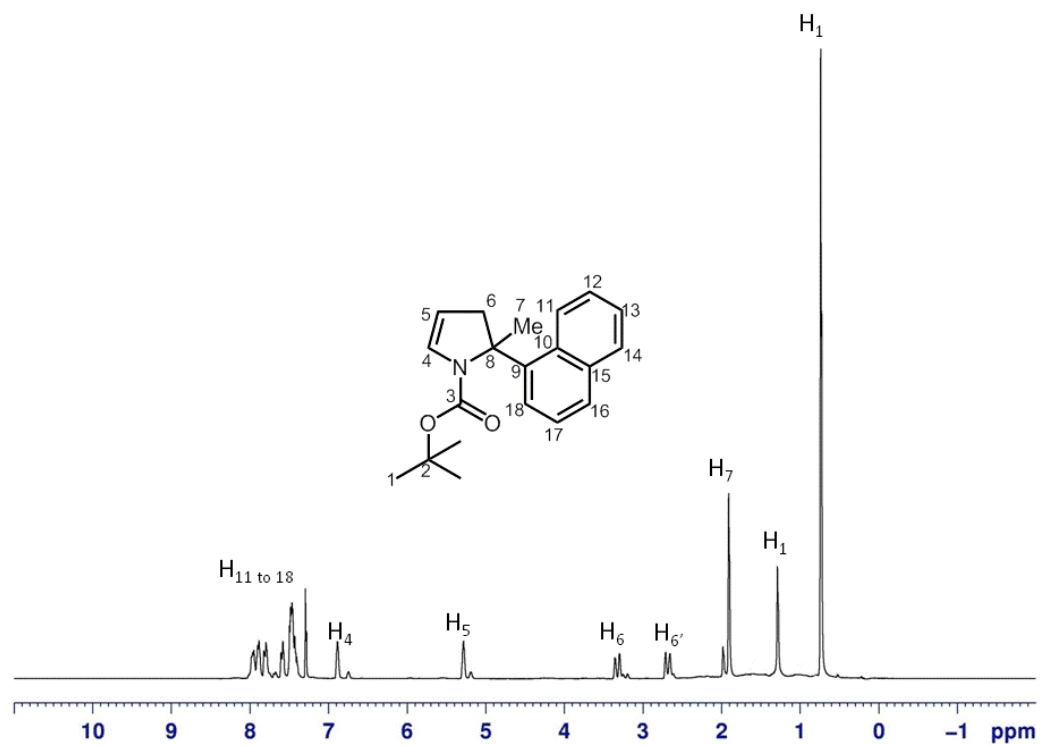
To an oven-dried, septum-capped round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar, was added freshly distilled TMEDA (0.2 mL, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and a solution of the reduced encarbamate (1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (6 mL) under nitrogen. The mixture was cooled to $-60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and a solution of *n*-BuLi (1.0 mL, 2.0 M in hexanes, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added slowly. After 2 h at this temperature, dimethylsulfate (3 equiv) was added and the mixture was allowed to stir for 10 h at this temperature prior to the addition of MeOH (0.2 mL) and warming to room temperature. A solution of NH_4Cl (2 mL) was added and the aqueous layer was extracted with

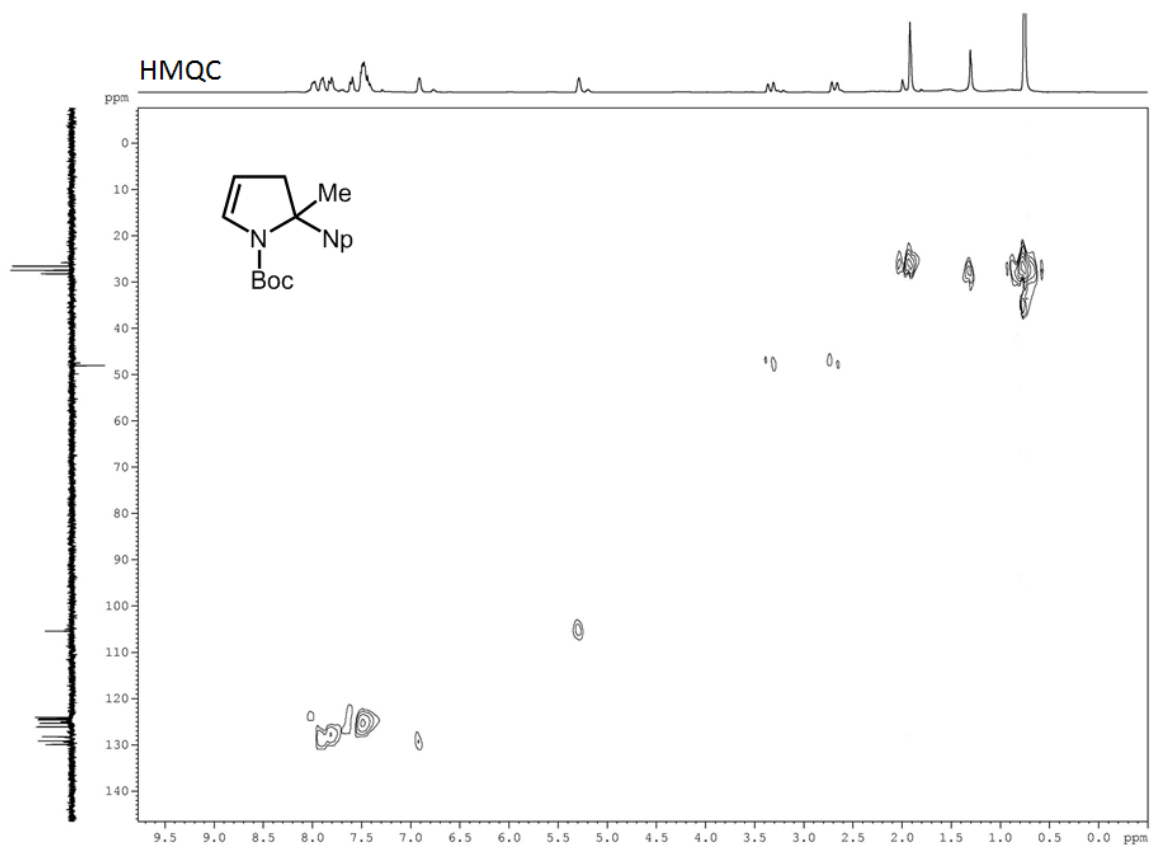
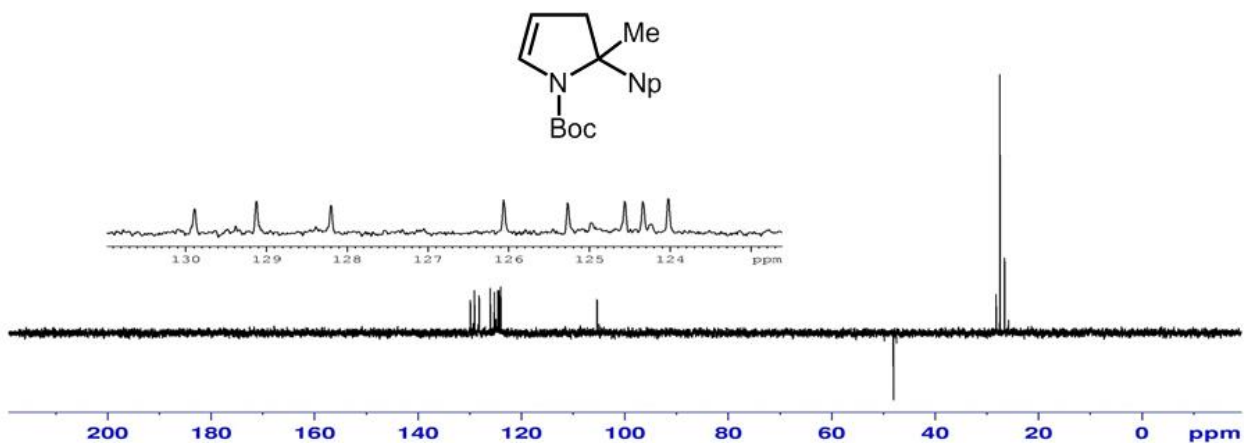
Et₂O. The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated to give the crude quaternary pyrrolidine.

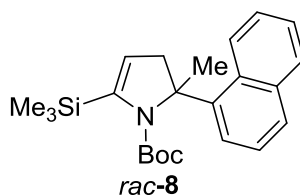
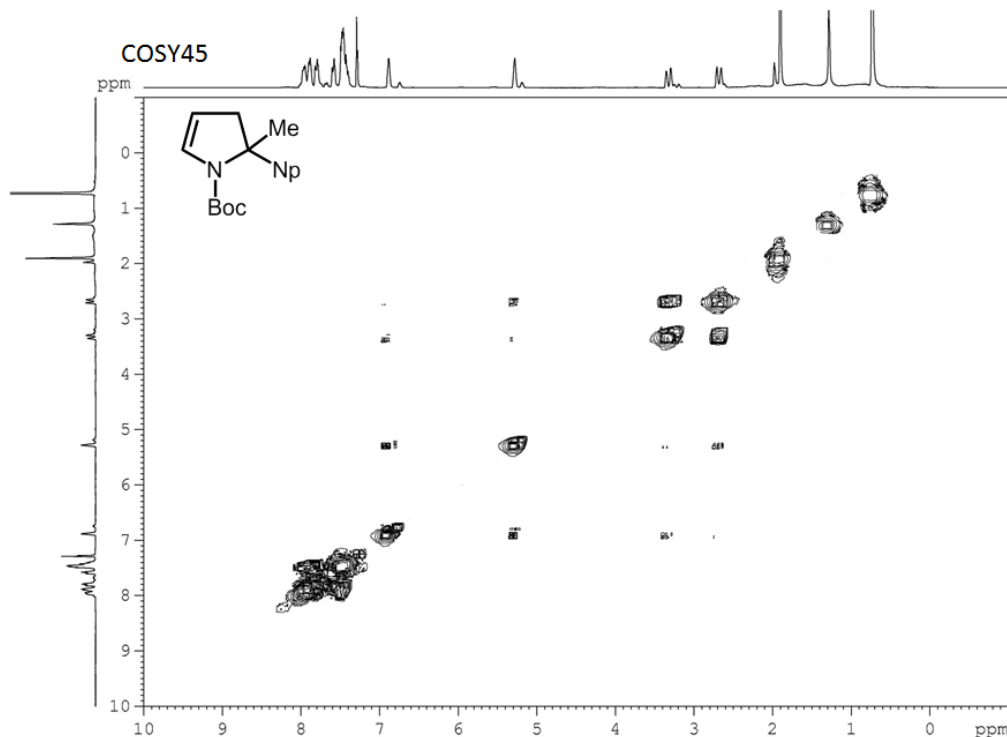
Lithiation-transmetalation-oxidation:

To an oven-dried, septum-capped round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar, was added a solution of the disubstituted pyrrolidine (156 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (5 mL) and TMEDA (0.09 mL, 0.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The solution was cooled to -60 °C and *s*-BuLi (0.60 mL, 1.0 M solution in cyclohexane, 0.60 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added slowly. After 1 h, a solution of ZnCl₂ (0.7 mL, 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.7 mmol, 1.4 equiv) was added. After 30 min, a solution of I₂ in THF (1.5 mL, 1.0 M, 3.0 equiv) was added slowly. The mixture was allowed to stir for 1 h at this temperature before warming to room temperature slowly. After 18 h, a solution of 10% NH₄OH(aq) was added slowly and the mixture was stirred for 20 min. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated Na₂S₂O₃(aq) and dried with for ~30 min with Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to give crude **7**. **Purification:** Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et₃N) eluting with PE/DCM. Yield: 110 mg (71%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers) δ 8.20 to 7.46 (7H), 6.93 (1H), 5.26 (1H), 3.42 to 3.21 (1H), 2.71 to 2.53 (1H), 1.91 (3H), 1.32 and 0.71 (9H), ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers) δ 153.5, 141.4, 135.2, 130.2, 129.5, 128.4, 127.8, 125.6, 124.9, 124.6, 124.3, 124.0, 105.1, 78.9, 66.9, 48.1, 28.9, 27.7. HRMS calc for C₂₀H₂₃NO₂ 309.1729, found 309.1731.

Caution: Enecarbamate 7 is acid labile and should be stored in the refrigerator.

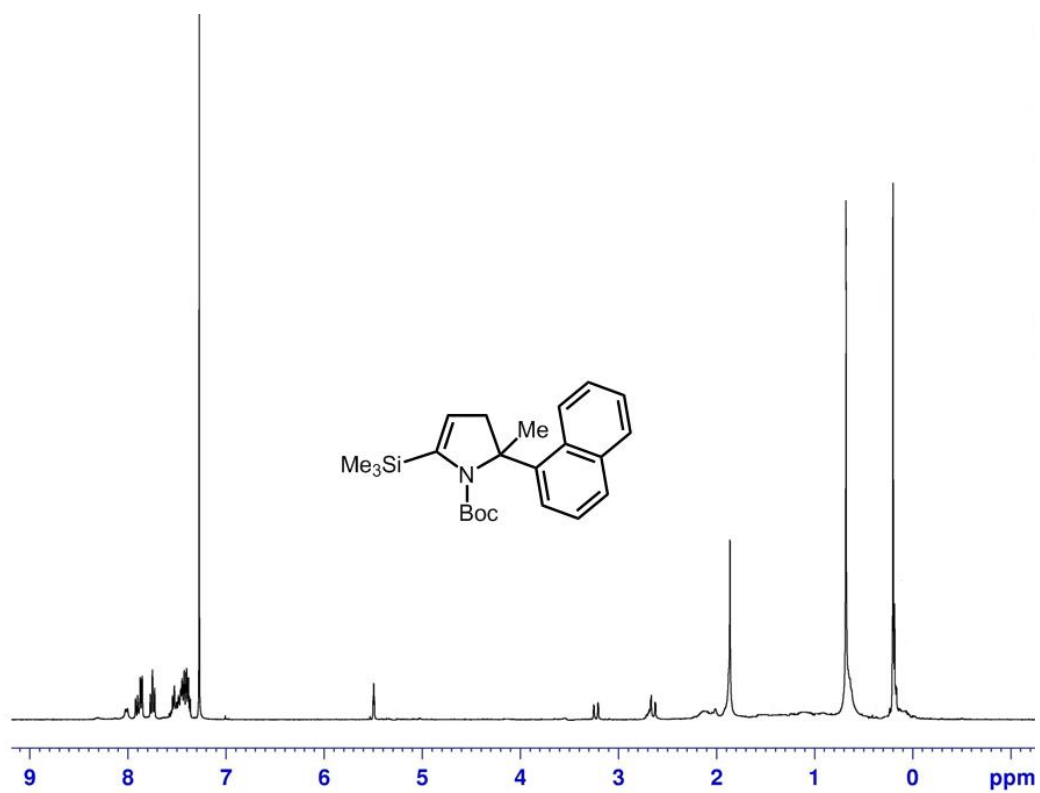


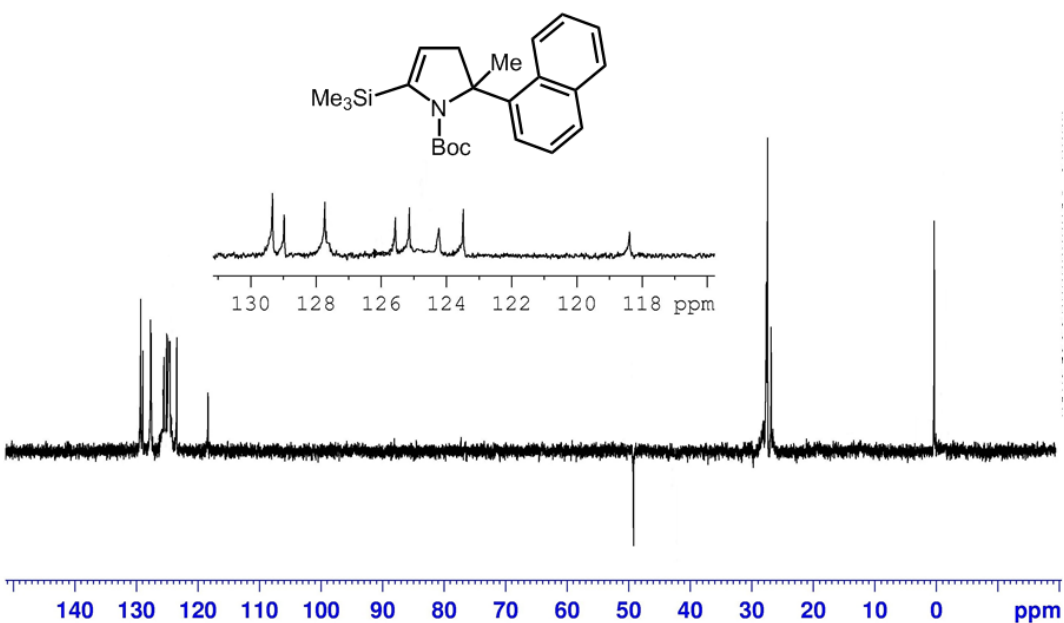
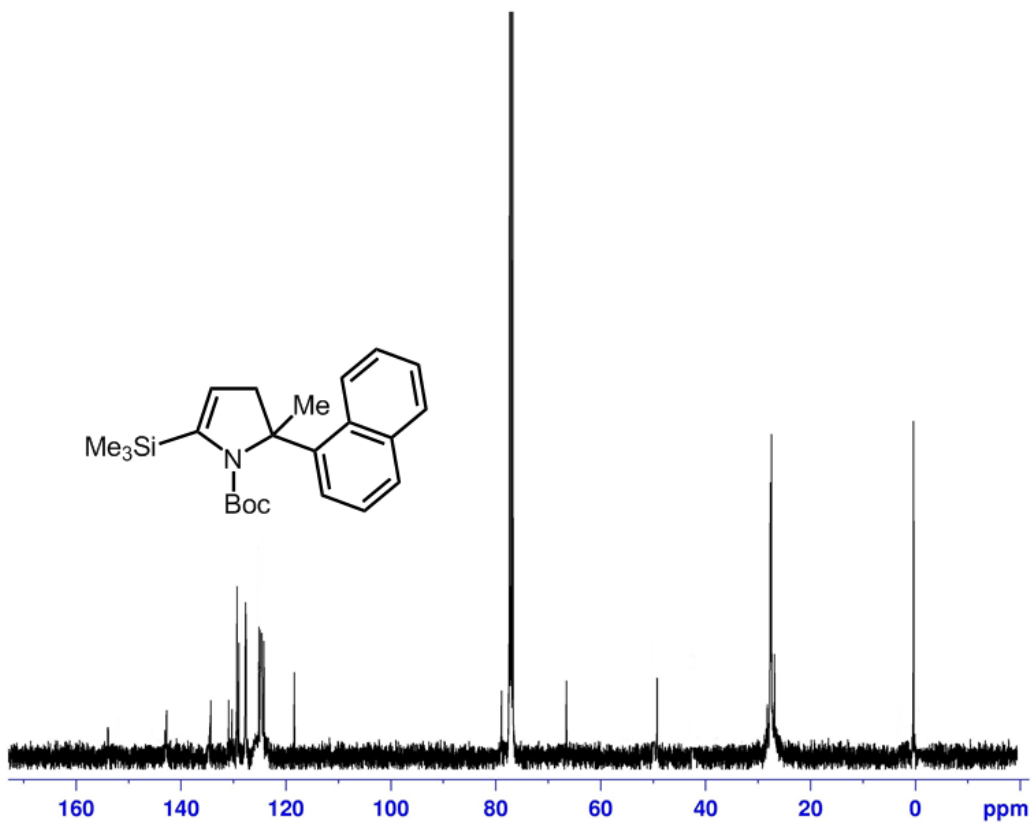




To an oven-dried, septum-capped round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar, was added freshly distilled TMEDA (0.05 mL, 0.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and a solution of enecarbamate **7** (78 mg, 0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (2 mL) under argon. The mixture was cooled to $-60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and a solution of *n*-BuLi (0.12 mL, 2.5 M in hexanes, 0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added slowly. After 1 to 3 h at this temperature, the mixture was quenched with TMSCl (0.1 mL, 3 equiv). The mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature and *sat.* NH_4Cl was added. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et_2O . The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to obtain the crude product. **Purification:** Flash chromatography on silica (pretreated with 1% Et_3N) eluting with petroleum ether-DCM (1:1). Yield = 84 mg, 88% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , mixture of rotamers) δ 7.97 to 7.29 (7H), 5.50 (1H), 3.23 to 3.15 (1H), 2.72 to 2.61 (1H), 1.85 (3H), 0.77 (9H), 0.15 (9H), ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3 , mixture of rotamers) δ 154.3, 141.6, 134.8, 130.6, 129.5, 127.7, 125.9, 124.7, 124.2,

123.8, 124.1, 118.5, 79.3, 67.2, 49.6, 27.8, 26.4, 0.2. HRMS calc for $C_{23}H_{31}NO_2Si$ 381.2124 found 381.2122.





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