

Catalyst- and solvent-free hydrophosphination and multicomponent hydrothiophosphination of alkenes and alkynes

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General

Diphenylphosphine (Aldrich), elemental sulfur, and all the starting alkenes and alkynes were commercially available of the best grade (Aldrich, Acros, Alfa Aesar) and were used without further purification. Infrared analysis was performed with a FT-IR-4100 (ATR) spectrophotometer; wavenumbers are given in cm^{-1} . NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 300 and 400 spectrometers (300 and 400 MHz for ^1H NMR; 75 and 101 MHz for ^{13}C NMR; 122 and 162 MHz for ^{31}P MNR); chemical shifts are given in (δ) parts per million and coupling constants (J) in hertz. Mass spectra (EI) were obtained at 70 eV on an Agilent 5973 spectrometer; fragment ions in m/z with relative intensities (%) in parentheses. HRMS analyses were carried out on Finnigan MAT95S and Agilent 7200 (Q-TOF) spectrometers. The purity of volatile compounds and the chromatographic analyses (GLC) were determined with Hewlett Packard HP-6890 and Youling 6100 instruments equipped with flame ionization detectors and 30 m capillary columns (0.32 mm diameter, 0.25 μm film thickness), using nitrogen (2 mL/min) as carrier gas, $T_{\text{injector}} = 270\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $T_{\text{column}} = 60\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (3 min) and 60–270 $^\circ\text{C}$ (15 $^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$); retention times (t_r) are given in min. Thin layer chromatography was carried out on TLC plastic sheets with silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ (Merck). Column and preparative chromatography was performed using silica gel 60 of 40–60 microns and P/UV254, respectively (hexane/EtOAc as eluent). All reactions were performed with new or thoroughly cleaned magnetic bars in order to rule out any catalysis by traces of metals.

Synthesis of deuterated compounds

Deuteriodiphenylphosphine (Ph_2PD) was prepared following a literature procedure,¹ namely: *n*-butyl lithium [1.6 M in hexane, 5.5 mmol (1.1 equiv.)] was added dropwise to a solution of diphenylphosphine (5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in tetrahydrofuran (5 mL) at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$. After stirring for 1 h at room temperature, 0.2 mL of deuterium oxide were added and stirring was continued for 10 min, followed by the addition of anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The resulting mixture was decanted via cannula and the solvent was removed in vacuo to give deuteriodiphenylphosphine in quantitative yield as a colourless oil.

(Deuterioethynyl)cyclohexane [(D_1) -**4i**] was prepared by stirring ethynylcyclohexane (**4i**) and D_2O , in the presence of copper nanoparticles on carbon, at 70 $^\circ\text{C}$ overnight, followed by standard extractive work-up.²

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The *Z* alkene (0.8 equiv.) in THF (2 mL) was heated under reflux for 8 h in the presence of $(\text{PhS})_2$ (0.2 equiv.) and AIBN (0.2 equiv.). The progress of the reaction was monitored by GC

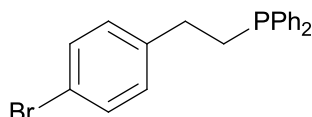
until steady conversion into the *E* isomer. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and subjected to aqueous workup with water (3×10 mL) and brine (2×10 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The *E/Z* ratio was determined by GC-MS.

General procedure for the hydrophosphination of alkenes **1**

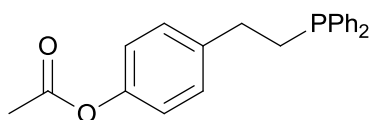
All reactions were performed using tubes in a multi-reactor system under argon. Diphenylphosphine (0.5 mmol, 87 µL) and the alkene (**1**, 0.5 mmol) were stirred during the specified time at room temperature, 70 or 100 °C (Tables 1–3). The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC and/or GLC until total or steady conversion was achieved. The resulting mixture was dissolved in EtOAc (20 mL) followed by the addition of silica gel and removal of the excess of solvent in vacuo. The reaction crude absorbed on silicagel was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc) to give the pure tertiary phosphines **2**. The phosphine oxides **2x**, **2y** and **2z** were purified by preparative chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc).

Characterisation of compounds **2**

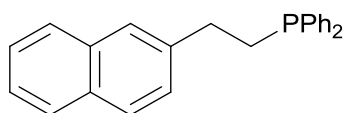
Compounds **2a**,⁴ **2b**,⁴ **2d**,⁴ **2f**,⁵ **2g**,⁶ **2j**,⁷ **2l**,⁸ **2m**,⁹ **2n**,⁴ **2o**,¹⁰ **2p**,⁵ **2s**¹¹ and **2v**¹² were characterised by comparison of their physical and spectroscopic data with those described in the literature. Data for the new compounds or those not fully characterised in the literature, follows:



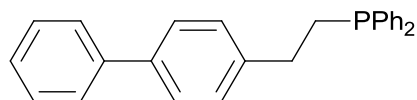
(4-Bromophenethyl)diphenylphosphine (2c): Colourless oil; 150.9 mg (82% yield); *t*_r 16.59 min; *R*_f 0.63 (hexane). IR (neat) ν = 3069, 2926, 1489, 1432, 1092, 1014, 803, 735, 694, 646 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.49–7.31 (m, 12H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.74–2.62 (m, 2H), 2.39–2.29 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 141.6 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, CP), 138.4 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, CCH₂), 132.8 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, CHCP), 131.6, 130.1, 128.7 (d, *J* = 23.6 Hz, CHCHCP), 128.6, 119.9, 31.8 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, CH₂P), 30.2 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, CH₂CH₂P). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –16.2. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 370 (34) [*M*⁺+2], 369 (56) [*M*⁺+1], 368 (35) [*M*⁺], 367 (51), 342 (28), 340 (29), 200 (10), 199 (71), 186 (49), 184 (10), 183 (54), 165 (11), 152 (10), 121 (100), 109 (12), 108 (56), 107 (22), 104 (10), 91 (11), 78 (12), 77 (24), 51 (10). HRMS (EI): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈BrP 368.0329, found 368.0336.



4-[2-(Diphenylphosphanyl)ethyl]phenyl acetate (2e): Colourless oil; 148.0 mg (85% yield); t_r 17.72 min; R_f 0.32 (hexane/EtOAc, 9:1). IR (neat) ν = 3051, 2915, 1760, 1506, 1432, 1367, 1213, 1192, 1164, 1016, 909, 736, 695 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.47–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.37–7.28 (m, 6H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.75–2.64 (m, 2H), 2.38–2.31 (m, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 169.7, 148.9, 140.3 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, CP), 138.5 (d, J = 12.9 Hz, CCH_2), 132.8 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, CHCP), 129.2, 128.7 (d, J = 20.8 Hz, CHCHCP), 128.6, 121.5, 31.7 (d, J = 18.2 Hz, CH_2P), 30.2 (d, J = 12.9 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 21.2. ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = –15.9. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 349 (13) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$], 348 (61) [M^+], 347 (96), 320 (27), 305 (22), 278 (19), 200 (10), 199 (64), 186 (42), 183 (42), 165 (10), 121 (100), 108 (44), 107 (18), 91 (14), 77 (16). HRMS (EI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{P}$ 348.1271, found 348.1279.

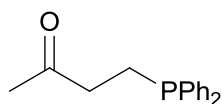


[2-(Naphthalen-2-yl)ethyl]diphenylphosphine (2h): Yellow oil; 154.8 mg (91% yield); t_r 20.90 min; R_f 0.44 (hexane). IR (neat) ν = 3052, 1435, 1178, 1121, 818, 693, 740, 724, 693 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.78–7.73 (m, 3H), 7.58 (br s, 1H), 7.49–7.39 (m, 6H), 7.36–7.28 (m, 7H), 2.92–2.82 (m, 2H), 2.47–2.40 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 140.2 (d, J = 13.3 Hz, CP), 138.6 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, CCH_2), 133.8, 132.9 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, CHCP), 132.2, 128.7 (d, J = 19.4 Hz, CHCHCP), 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 126.2, 126.1, 125.4, 32.5 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, CH_2P), 30.2 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = –15.7. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 341 (15) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$], 340 (72) [M^+], 339 (100), 312 (37), 199 (31), 186 (18), 183 (22), 154 (17), 153 (13), 152 (11), 121 (55), 115 (11), 108 (25). HRMS (EI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{P}$ 340.1381, found 340.1376.

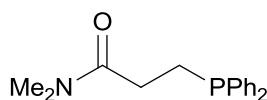


{2-[(1,1'-Biphenyl)-4-yl]ethyl}diphenylphosphine (2i): Colourless oil; 164.8 mg (90% yield); t_r 27.02 min; R_f 0.63 (hexane/EtOAc, 9:1). IR (neat) ν = 3051, 3025, 2925, 1483, 1432, 820, 738, 693 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.51–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.43–7.30 (m, 9H), 7.26–7.23 (m, 6H), 7.17–7.13 (m, 2H), 2.72–2.64 (m, 2H), 2.35–2.27 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ

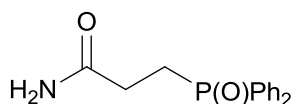
= 141.8 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, CCH₂), 141.2, 139.1, 138.6 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, CP), 132.9 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, CHCP), 128.9, 128.7 (d, J = 19.8 Hz, CHCHCP), 128.6, 128.5, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 32.0 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, CH₂P), 30.3 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, CH₂CH₂P). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -15.8. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 367 (12) [M⁺+1], 366 (56) [M⁺], 365 (100), 339 (12), 338 (48), 199 (40), 186 (29), 183 (30), 180 (19), 166 (11), 165 (25), 152 (13), 121 (66), 108 (30), 77 (12). HRMS (EI): m/z calcd. for C₂₆H₂₃P 366.1537, found 366.1547.



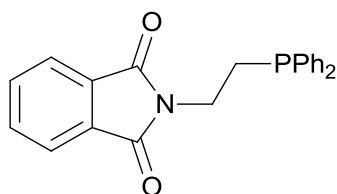
4-(Diphenylphosphanyl)butan-2-one (2k): Colourless oil; 89.6 mg (70% yield); t_r 15.18 min; R_f 0.50 (hexane/EtOAc, 8:2). IR (neat) ν = 3051, 2914, 1714, 1432, 1385, 740, 694 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.44–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.36–7.29 (m, 6H), 2.56–2.44 (m, 2H), 2.33–2.24 (m, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 200.7 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, CO), 138.1 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, CP), 132.8 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, CHCP), 128.8 (d, J = 22.9 Hz, CHCHCP), 128.6, 39.9 (d, J = 39.9 Hz, CH₂CH₂P), 29.9, 21.4 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, CH₂P). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -15.6. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 256 (56) [M⁺], 255 (98), 217 (12), 215 (11), 213 (12), 202 (10), 201 (63), 185 (21), 184 (13), 183 (100), 152 (14), 141 (37), 131 (11), 121 (21), 108 (22), 107 (21). HRMS (EI): m/z calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇OP 256.1017, found 256.1007.



3-(Diphenylphosphanyl)-N,N-dimethylpropanamide (2q): White solid; 99.8 mg (70% yield); m.p. 102.0–106.0 °C; t_r 16.71 min; R_f 0.32 (hexane/EtOAc, 1:1). IR (neat) ν = 3050, 2918, 1637, 1481, 1430, 1410, 1393, 1267, 1134, 1046, 155, 743, 721, 698 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.47–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.34–7.31 (m, 6H), 2.92 (s, 3H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.39 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 172.2 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, CO), 138.1 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, ArC), 132.7 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (d, J = 26.1 Hz, ArCH), 128.5 (s, ArCH), 37.0 (s, CH₃N), 35.5 (s, CH₃N), 29.7 (d, J = 20.4 Hz, CH₂P), 23.1 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, CH₂CH₂P). ³¹P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -15.5 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 285 (20) [M⁺], 270 (33), 214 (14), 213 (87), 209 (11), 208 (100), 186 (11), 183 (76), 160 (45), 152 (15), 133 (13), 109 (15), 108 (23), 107 (19), 84 (53), 72 (17), 68 (44). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₂₀NOP 285.1283, found 285.1281.

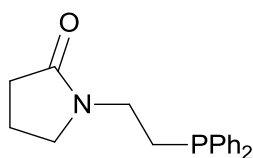


3-(Diphenylphosphoryl)propanamide (2r): White solid; 102.0 mg (75% yield); m.p. 205.4–208.0 °C; t_r 13.80 min; R_f 0.19 (EtOAc/MeOH, 9:1). IR (KBr) ν = 3313, 3166, 1687, 1433, 1413, 1180, 1119, 751, 694 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 7.86–7.75 (m, 4H), 7.64–7.51 (m, 6H), 2.79–2.66 (m, 2H), 2.53–2.41 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 176.3 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, CO), 133.6 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, ArCH), 132.8 (d, J = 100.8 Hz, ArC), 131.9 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, ArCH), 130.1 (d, J = 107.0 Hz, ArCH), 27.9 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 25.7 (d, J = 73.5 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 36.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 273 [M^+] (2), 219 (11), 202 (68), 201 (45), 197 (11), 196 (100), 155 (14), 125 (10), 77 (36), 51 (15). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2\text{P}$ 273.0919, found 273.0923.



N-[2-(Diphenylphosphanyl)ethyl]phthalimide (2t)

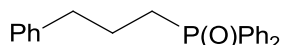
Pale yellow oil; 125.7 mg (70% yield); t_r 22.11 min; R_f 0.62 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3057, 2911, 1764, 1700, 1432, 1392, 1359, 1315, 1119, 1066, 946, 822, 714, 694 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 2.38–2.44 (m, 2H), 3.80 (dt, J = 15.7, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19–7.26 (m, 6H), 7.36–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.58–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.73 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 27.5 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, CH_2P), 35.5 (d, J = 23.1 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 123.3, 128.6, 128.8 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, CHCHCP), 132.8 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, CHCP), 134.0, 137.5, 137.5 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, CP), 168.2. ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = –21.5. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 360 (25) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$], 359 (100) [M^+], 201 (50), 199 (30), 186 (15), 183 (36), 179 (10), 130 (21), 121 (43), 108 (25), 107 (13), 77 (19). HRMS (EI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_2\text{P}$ 359.1075, found 359.1072.



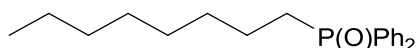
N-[2-(Diphenylphosphanyl)ethyl]pyrrolidin-2-one (2u)

Yellow oil; 115.9 mg (78% yield); t_r 19.57 min; R_f 0.37 (EtOAc). IR (neat) ν = 3050, 2914, 2873, 2360, 2341, 1677, 1432, 1285, 739, 695 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.45–7.39 (m, 4H), 7.37–7.28 (m, 6H), 3.45–3.39 (m, 2H), 3.34 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.34–2.24 (m, 4H), 1.92–

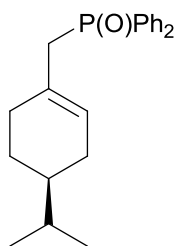
1.83 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 174.9, 137.9 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, CP), 132.8 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, CHCP), 128.9, 128.7 (d, J = 22.4 Hz, CHCHCP), 47.6, 40.2 (d, J = 22.3 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 31.0, 26.6 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, CH_2P), 17.9. ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = -20.7. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 297 (40) [M^+], 269 (26), 241 (12), 220 (65), 213 (24), 212 (70), 211 (20), 199 (22), 197 (11), 186 (22), 185 (17), 184 (11), 183 (73), 172 (100), 165 (11), 152 (13), 145 (13), 134 (34), 133 (18), 121 (73), 109 (18), 108 (87), 107 (32), 98 (13), 91 (21), 77 (20), 70 (12), 69 (18), 68 (13), 56 (10). HRMS (EI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{NOP}$ 297.1283, found 297.1273.



Diphenyl(3-phenylpropyl)phosphine oxide (2x): Colourless oil; 113.6 mg (71% yield); t_r 22.01 min; R_f 0.62 (hexane/EtOAc, 1:1). IR (neat) ν = 3055, 3035, 2928, 2858, 1589, 1490, 1437, 1173, 1119, 978, 745, 720, 616 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 7.74 (ddd, J = 11.6, 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 4H), 7.61–7.52 (m, 6H), 7.30–7.14 (m, 5H), 2.75 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.46–2.37 (m, 2H), 1.90–1.87 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 140.9 (s, ArC), 131.8 (d, J = 99.7 Hz, ArC), 131.9 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, ArCH), 130.7 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, ArCH), 128.1 (s, ArCH), 128.0 (s, ArCH), 125.8 (s, ArCH), 35.9 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 27.7 (d, J = 72.3 Hz, CH_2P), 23.1 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 37.0 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 320 (7) [M^+], 215 (100), 201 (10), 91 (7), 77 (8). HRMS (ES+): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{OP}$ 320.1330, found 320.1322.



Octyldiphenylphosphine oxide (2y): White solid; 109.9 mg (70% yield); m.p. 54.0–56.0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); t_r 18.39 min; R_f 0.52 (EtOAc). IR (neat) ν = 3050, 2925, 2854, 1437, 1179, 1118, 746, 720, 693 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 7.80 (ddd, J = 11.6, 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 4H), 7.56 (m, 6H), 2.46–2.42 (m, 2H), 1.67–1.03 (m, 12H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 130.5 (d, J = 98.5 Hz, ArC), 130.4 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, ArCH), 128.9 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, ArCH), 127.1 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, ArCH), 29.9 (CH_2), 28.8 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 27.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, CH_2), 26.8 (d, J = 70.2 Hz, CH_2P), 20.7 (s, CH_2), 19.5 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 11.5 (s, CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 35.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 314 (3) [M^+], 257 (10), 229 (11), 216 (55), 215 (100), 202 (60), 201 (34). HRMS (ES+): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{27}\text{OP}$ 314.1800, found 314.1788.

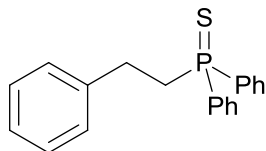


(S)-[(4-Isopropylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl)methyl]diphenylphosphine oxide (2z): White solid; 126.8 mg (75% yield); m.p. 143.0–148.0 °C (hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_D^{26}$ –150.7 (c = 0.73, MeOH); t_r 21.98 min; R_f 0.27 (hexane/EtOAc, 1:1). IR (neat) ν = 3048, 2956, 2921, 2851, 1590, 1436, 1187, 1167, 1116, 745, 720, 693 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 7.83–7.77 (m, 4H), 7.62–7.53 (m, 6H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 3.20 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 2H), 2.04–1.65 (m, 3H), 1.45–1.32 (m, 2H), 1.24–1.12 (m, 3H), 0.81 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.79 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 134.4 (d, J = 98.9 Hz, ArC), 134.1 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, ArCH), 134.3 (d, J = 98.8 Hz, ArC), 133.0 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, ArCH), 132.9 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, ArCH), 130.6 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, ArCH), 129.9 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, C), 129.7 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, CH), 41.7 (s, CH), 40.0 (d, J = 68.4 Hz, CH_2P), 33.9 (s, CH), 32.8 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, CH_2), 31.6 (s, C), 31.1 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, CH_2), 28.3 (s, CH_2), 21.1 (s, CH_3), 20.9 (s, CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CD_3OD): δ = 37.7 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 339 (17) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$], 338 (57) [M^+], 295 (31), 281 (45), 269 (12), 207 (64), 203 (16), 202 (100), 201 (60), 191 (13), 156 (11), 78 (13), 77 (17), 73 (12). HRMS (ES $^+$): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{OP}$ 338.1800, found 338.1789.

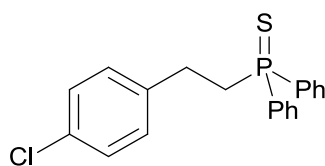
General procedure for the hydrothiophosphination of alkenes **1**

All reactions were performed using tubes in a multi-reactor system under air. Diphenylphosphine (0.5 mmol, 87 μL), the alkene (**1**, 0.5 mmol) and elemental sulfur (0.5 mmol, 16.0 mg) were stirred at 70, 100 or 120 °C overnight (Table 4). The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC and/or GLC until total or steady conversion was achieved. The resulting mixture was dissolved in EtOAc (20 mL) followed by the addition of silica gel and removal of the excess of solvent in vacuo. The reaction crude absorbed on silicagel was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc) to give the pure tertiary phosphine sulfides **3**. Compounds **3b**, **3e**, **3x** and **3ac** were purified by preparative chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc).

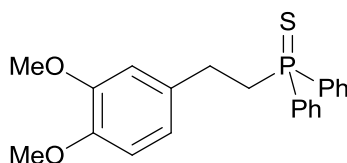
Characterisation of compounds 3



Phenethyldiphenylphosphine sulfide (3a):¹³ White solid; 156.2 mg (97% yield); m.p. 105.4–106.4 °C; t_r 19.36 min; R_f 0.71 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3051, 2928, 1520, 1435, 1104, 757, 711, 620, 610 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.98–7.91 (m, 4H), 7.52–7.41 (m, 6H), 7.29–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.13 (m, 3H), 2.97–2.86 (m, 2H), 2.81–2.68 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 141.0 (d, J = 16.9 Hz, ArC), 132.7 (d, J = 80.0 Hz, ArC), 131.6 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, ArCH), 128.8 (ArCH), 128.7 (ArCH), 128.3 (ArCH), 126.5 (ArCH), 34.7 (d, J = 54.7 Hz, CH_2P), 28.5 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 41.9 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 322 (17) [M^+], 219 (14), 218 (100), 185 (24), 183 (26), 140 (22). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{PS}$ 322.0945, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{PS}$ 323.1023 [M^+H]; found 323.1029.

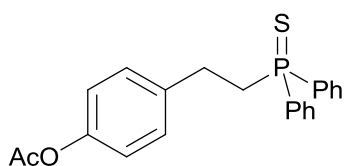


(4-Chlorophenethyl)diphenylphosphine sulfide (3b): Pale yellow oil; 128.2 mg (72% yield); t_r 27.92 min; R_f 0.60 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3065, 3035, 2928, 2838, 1490, 1436, 1407, 1307, 1071, 1013, 935, 805, 737, 704, 690, 607 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.51 (ddd, J = 12.9, 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 7.56–7.36 (m, 6H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.10–6.90 (m, 2H), 2.95–2.80 (m, 2H), 2.79–2.67 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 139.2 (d, J = 16.4 Hz ArC), 132.5 (d, J = 64.4 Hz, ArC), 132.0 (s, ArCH), 131.6 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, ArCH), 128.7 (s, ArCH), 130.5 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, ArCH), 129.6 (s, ArCH), 128.8 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, ArCH), 35.8 (d, J = 54.8 Hz, CH_2P), 27.9 (d, J = 1 Hz, CH_2). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 41.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 356 (7) [M^+], 219 (14), 218 (100), 185 (25), 183 (31), 140 (27), 139 (10). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClPS}$ 356.0555, found 356.0571.

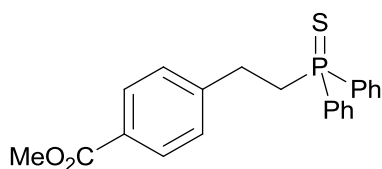


(3,4-Dimethoxyphenethyl)diphenylphosphine sulfide (3aa): Pale yellow solid; 166.2 mg (87% yield); m.p. 102.4–103.8 °C; t_r 27.58 min; R_f 0.46 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3050, 2991,

1514, 1467, 1433, 1258, 1236, 1155, 1137, 1102, 1024, 779, 751, 742, 697, 602 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.89–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.50–7.41 (m, 6H), 6.77–6.65 (m, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.94–2.85 (m, 2H), 2.79–2.70 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 149.0 (ArC), 147.6 (ArC), 133.4 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, ArC), 132.7 (d, J = 79.9 Hz, ArC), 131.6 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, ArCH), 131.1 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, ArCH), 128.7 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, ArCH), 120.1 (ArCH), 111.7 (ArCH), 111.4 (ArCH), 56.0 (CH_3), 55.9 (CH_3), 34.8 (d, J = 54.2 Hz, CH_2P), 28.0 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 41.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 382 (8) [M^+], 218 (18), 185 (10), 183 (14), 165 (14), 164 (100), 140 (11). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{PS}$ 382.1145, $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2\text{PS}$ 383.1235 [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$]; found 383.1238.

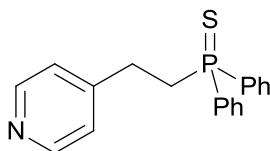


4-[2-(Diphenylphosphorothioyl)ethyl]phenyl acetate (3e): Yellow semi-solid; 123.5 mg (65% yield); t_r 35.63 min; R_f 0.35 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3052, 2961, 2919, 2849, 1754, 1507, 1436, 1367, 1259, 1192, 1164, 1100, 1013, 909, 808, 799, 738, 690, 610 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.85 (ddd, J = 12.9, 7.8, 1.7 Hz, 4H), 7.49–7.48 (m, 6H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.96–2.86 (m, 2H), 2.78–2.69 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 169.7 (s, CO), 149.2 (s, ArC), 138.6 (d, J = 16.8 Hz ArC), 132.6 (d, J = 80.0 Hz, ArC), 131.7 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, ArCH), 129.3 (s, ArCH), 128.8 (d, J = 12 Hz, ArCH), 121.8 (s, ArCH), 34.6 (d, J = 54.9 Hz, CH_2P), 27.9 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, CH_2), 14.3 (s, CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 41.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 380 (15) [M^+], 219 (18), 218 (100), 217 (11), 185 (26), 183 (30), 140 (25), 139 (11). HRMS (ES+): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{PS}$ 380.1000, found 380.0992.

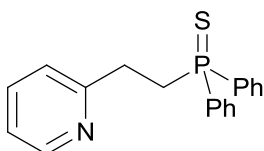


Methyl 4-[2-(diphenylphosphorothioyl)ethyl]benzoate (3ab): Pale yellow semi solid; 184.3 mg (97% yield); t_r 26.49 min; R_f 0.60 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3055, 2927, 1752, 1507, 1435, 1367, 1192, 1164, 1102, 909, 736, 710, 690, 609 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.88–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.53–7.42 (m, 6H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.93 (m, 2H), 2.97–2.87 (m, 2H), 2.79–2.69 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 169.7 (CO), 149.2 (ArC), 138.6 (d, J = 16.9 Hz, ArC), 132.6 (d, J = 80.2 Hz, ArC), 131.7 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, ArCH),

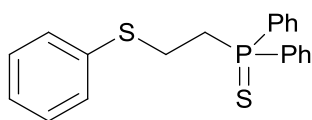
131.2 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, ArCH), 129.3 (ArCH), 128.2 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, ArCH), 121.8 (ArCH), 34.6 (d, $J = 54.7$ Hz, CH₂P), 27.9 (CH₂CH₂P), 21.2 (CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 41.8$ ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 380 (9) [M⁺], 219 (13), 218 (100), 217 (11), 185 (28), 183 (28), 140 (29), 139 (12). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₂H₂₁O₂PS 380.1000, C₂₂H₂₂O₂PS 381.1078 [M⁺+H]; found 381.1068.



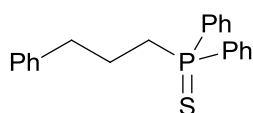
Diphenyl[2-(pyridin-4-yl)ethyl]phosphine sulfide (3f): Pale brown solid; 145.4 mg (90% yield); m.p. 86.2–87.7 °C; t_r 19.36 min; R_f 0.43 (hexane/EtOAc, 2:8). IR (neat) $\nu = 3035, 2927, 1598, 1437, 1414, 1103, 993, 937, 804, 763, 741, 703, 693, 620, 611$ cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 8.49$ – 8.41 (m, 2H), 7.90 – 7.80 (m, 4H), 7.56 – 7.42 (m, 6H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 3.00 – 2.89 (m, 2H), 2.80 – 2.70 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 149.9$ (ArCH), 149.8 (ArC), 132.6 (d, $J = 81.5$ Hz, ArC), 131.8 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz, ArCH), 131.1 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, ArCH), 128.8 (d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, ArCH), 123.7 (ArCH), 33.4 (d, $J = 55.7$ Hz, CH₂P), 27.9 (CH₂CH₂P). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 41.9$ ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 323 (4) [M⁺], 218 (28), 185 (22), 183 (29), 140 (21), 139 (14), 107 (16), 106 (100), 77 (10). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₁₈NPS 323.0898, C₁₉H₁₉NPS 324.0976 [M⁺+H]; found 324.0979.



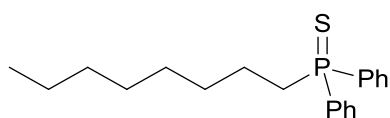
Diphenyl[2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl]phosphine sulfide (3g): Pale brown solid; 153.4 mg (95% yield); m.p. 100.5–103.0 °C; t_r 18.18 min; R_f 0.70 (EtOAc). IR (neat) $\nu = 3055, 2917, 2858, 1589, 1436, 1102, 998, 939, 762, 752, 734, 710, 690, 622, 610$ cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 8.51$ – 8.46 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 7.82 (m, 4H), 7.56 – 7.39 (m, 7H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 3.19 – 3.10 (m, 2H), 3.03 – 2.93 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 160.1$ (d, $J = 16.1$ Hz, ArC), 149.4 (ArCH), 136.5 (ArCH), 132.7 (d, $J = 80.1$ Hz, ArC), 131.6 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, ArCH), 128.7 (d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, ArCH), 123.4 (ArCH), 121.6 (ArCH), 31.9 (d, $J = 56.7$ Hz, CH₂P), 30.7 (CH₂CH₂P). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 42.7$ ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 323 (1) [M⁺], 183 (11), 107 (11), 106 (100). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₁₈NPS 323.0898, C₁₉H₁₉NPS 324.0976 [M⁺+H]; found 324.0985.



Diphenyl[2-(phenylthio)ethyl]phosphine sulfide (3v):¹⁴ Pale yellow oil; 141.6 mg (80% yield); t_r 22.49 min; R_f 0.69 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3050, 1574, 1479, 1435, 1103, 733, 708, 687, 620, 609 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.82–7.72 (m, 4H), 7.53–7.42 (m, 8H), 7.28–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 1H), 3.20–3.10 (m, 2H), 2.78–2.69 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 135.0 (ArC), 132.3 (d, J = 80.2 Hz, ArC), 131.8 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, ArCH), 131.1 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, ArCH), 129.6 (ArCH), 129.3 (ArCH), 128.9 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, ArCH), 126.6 (ArCH), 32.7 (d, J = 51.2 Hz, CH_2P), 26.8 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 40.5 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 357 (21) [M^+], 219 (15), 218 (100), 217 (14), 185 (31), 183 (36), 140 (31), 139 (28), 109 (15), 107 (10), 77 (14), 63 (11). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{PS}$ 354.0666, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{PS}$ 355.0744 [M^+H]; found 355.0754.

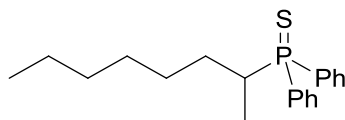


Diphenyl(3-phenylpropyl)phosphine sulfide (3x): Orange oil; 112.6 mg (67% yield); t_r 24.19 min; R_f 0.57 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3045, 3026, 2918, 2848, 1494, 1437, 1118, 906, 723, 683 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.79–7.73 (ddd, J = 12.8, 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 4H), 7.46–7.28 (m, 6H), 7.24–7.12 (m, 5H), 2.75 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.44–2.23 (m, 2H), 2.01–1.93 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 140.8 (s, ArC), 132.8 (d, J = 80.0 Hz, ArC), 131.4 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, ArCH), 131.0 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, ArCH), 128.5 (s, ArCH), 128.4 (s, ArCH), 126.1 (s, ArCH), 36.3 (d, J = 16.7 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 31.7 (d, J = 74.8 Hz, CH_2P), 23.7 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 42.6 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 336 (19) [M^+], 231 (10), 219 (14), 218 (100), 217 (12), 199 (23), 185 (16), 183 (24), 140 (14). HRMS (ES+): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{PS}$ 336.1102, found 336.1097.

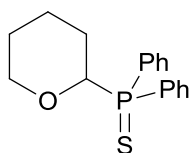


Octyldiphenylphosphine sulfide (3y): Yellow semi solid; 74.3 mg (45% yield); t_r 16.17 min; R_f 0.71 (hexane/EtOAc, 9:1). IR (neat) ν = 3042, 2923, 2853, 1550, 1435, 1102, 739, 690, 621, 610 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.86–7.78 (m, 4H), 7.51–7.41 (m, 6H), 2.48–2.39 (m, 2H), 1.67–1.57 (m, 2H), 1.42–1.33 (m, 2H), 1.29–1.17 (m, 8H), 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 133.2 (d, J = 79.5 Hz, ArC), 131.5 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d,

$J = 10.0$ Hz, ArCH), 128.7 (d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, ArCH), 32.7 (d, $J = 56.4$ Hz, CH_2P), 31.9, 30.8, 30.7, 29.2, 22.7 ($5 \times \text{CH}_2$), 22.3 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}$), 14.2 (CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 42.7$ ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 330 (6) [M^+], 219 (15), 218 (100), 217 (13), 185 (17), 183 (20), 140 (18), 139 (13). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{27}\text{PS}$ 330.1571, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{PS}$ 331.1649 [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$]; found 331.1659.



Octan-2-ylidiphenylphosphine sulfide (3y'): Yellow semi solid; 90.7 mg (55% yield); t_r 16.51 min; R_f 0.79 (hexane/EtOAc, 9:1). IR (neat) $\nu = 3025, 2957, 2927, 2858, 1539, 1435, 1095, 716, 688, 652$ cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 8.03\text{--}7.90$ (m, 4H), 7.52–7.41 (m, 6H), 3.58–3.45 (m, 1H), 1.67–1.48 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.13 (m, 8H), 1.28 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H), 0.85 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 135.4$ (d, $J = 84.9$ Hz, ArC), 131.8 (dd, $J = 3.1, 1.3$ Hz, ArCH), 131.6 (dd, $J = 11.2, 6.7$ Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (dd, $J = 13.2, 1.1$ Hz, ArCH), 44.2 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz, CHP), 38.3 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz, CH_2), 31.8, 29.1, 26.6 ($3 \times \text{CH}_2$), 23.1 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz, CH_3), 22.7 (CH_2), 14.2 (CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 61.8$ ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 330 (1) [M^+], 252 (10), 251 (38), 250 (52), 219 (18), 218 (87), 217 (100), 185 (25), 183 (35), 140 (22), 139 (50), 77 (10), 63 (12). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{27}\text{PS}$ 330.1571, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{PS}_2$ 331.1649 [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$]; found 331.1647.



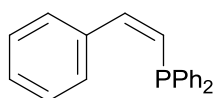
Diphenyl(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)phosphine sulfide (3ac): White solid; 90.6 mg (60% yield); m.p. 148.0–151.0 °C (hexane/EtOAc); t_r 17.85 min; R_f 0.70 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) $\nu = 3046, 2947, 2901, 2861, 1437, 1313, 1105, 1098, 1080, 1037, 757, 746, 708, 692, 646$ cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 8.04$ (ddd, $J = 12.5, 8.1, 1.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.85 (ddd, $J = 12.5, 8.1, 1.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.51–7.41 (m, 6H), 4.34–4.29 (m, 1H), 4.09–4.06 (m, 1H), 3.51–3.45 (m, 1H), 2.16–2.11 (m, 1H), 1.93–1.90 (m, 1H), 1.56–1.53 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 133.1$ (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, ArCH), 132.2 (d, $J = 78.4$ Hz, ArC), 131.7 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, ArCH), 129.2 (d, $J = 78.4$ Hz, ArC), 128.4 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, ArCH), 128.1 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, ArCH), 79.8 (d, $J = 74.7$ Hz, CHP), 70.2 (d, $J = 10.6$ Hz, CH_2O), 25.5 (s, CH_2), 24.5 (s, CH_2), 23.4 (d, $J = 13.2$ Hz, CH_2). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 43.2$ ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 302 (8) [M^+], 219 (17), 218

(100), 186 (16), 185 (18), 183 (26), 140 (12), 139 (17), 107 (12), 85 (80), 67 (15), 57 (14), 55 (14). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₁₇H₁₉OPS 302.0894, found 302.0887.

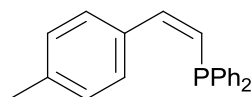
General procedure for the hydrophosphination of alkynes 4

All reactions were performed using tubes in a multi-reactor system under argon. Diphenylphosphine (0.5 mmol, 87 μ L) and the alkyne (**4**, 0.5 mmol) were stirred at 70 °C overnight (Table 5). The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC and/or GLC until total or steady conversion was achieved. The resulting mixture was dissolved in EtOAc (20 mL) followed by the addition of silica gel and removal of the excess of solvent in vacuo. The reaction crude absorbed on silicagel was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc) to give the pure alkenyl phosphines **5**.

Characterisation of compounds 5

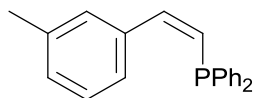


(Z)-Diphenyl(styryl)phosphine (5a):¹⁵ White solid; 113.8 mg (79% yield); m.p. 79.5–81.0 °C; *t_r* 12.33 min; *R_f* 0.49 (hexane). IR (KBr) ν = 3068, 3043, 3027, 1593, 1560, 1491, 1474, 780, 739, 698 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.53–7.40 (m, 6H), 7.37–7.24 (m, 10H), 6.46 (dd, *J* = 12.7, 2.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.2 (d, *J* = 19.1 Hz, CH=CHP), 139.5 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, ArCP), 137.6 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, ArC), 132.9 (d, *J* = 18.9 Hz, ArCH), 129.6 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, CH=CHP), 129.5 (ArCH), 128.7 (ArCH), 128.6 (ArCH), 128.2 (ArCH). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –24.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 288 [M⁺] (68), 287 (100), 183 (16), 179 (13), 178 (21), 167 (16), 133 (16), 108 (15), 107 (15). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₀H₁₇P 288.1068, found 288.1071.

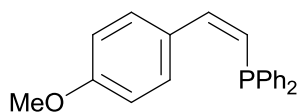


(Z)-(4-Methylstyryl)diphenylphosphine (5b): White solid; 110.2 mg (73% yield); m.p. 86.2–90.2 °C; *t_r* 15.00 min; *R_f* 0.74 (hexane/EtOAc, 9.5:0.5). IR (neat) ν = 3064, 2970, 1475, 1422, 790, 733, 690, 682, 674 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.46–7.39 (m, 6H), 7.34–7.29 (m, 7H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.38 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.2 (d, *J* = 19.3 Hz, CH=CHP), 139.6 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, ArC), 138.2 (ArC), 134.3 (ArC), 132.8 (d, *J* = 18.9 Hz, ArCH), 129.6 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, ArCH), 128.9 (ArCH), 128.6 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, ArCH), 128.5 (ArCH), 128.4 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, CH=CHP), 21.4 (CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162

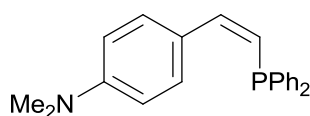
MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -24.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 303 [M^+ +1] (15), 302 (75) [M^+], 301 (100), 178 (10). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉P 302.1224, C₂₁H₂₀P 303.1303 [M^+ +H]; found 303.1302.



(Z)-(3-Methylstyryl)diphenylphosphine (5c): White solid; 132.8 mg (88% yield); m.p. 59.7–61.2 °C; t_r 14.84 min; R_f 0.74 (hexane/EtOAc, 9.5:0.5). IR (neat) ν = 3065, 2977, 1599, 1476, 1432, 799, 738, 693, 683, 674 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.48–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.36–7.28 (m, 9H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (dd, J = 12.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.2 (d, J = 18.9 Hz, CH=CHP), 139.6 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, ArC), 137.7 (ArC), 136.9 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, ArC), 132.9 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, ArCH), 130.5 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, ArCH), 129.4 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHP), 128.9 (ArCH), 128.7 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (ArCH), 128.1 (ArCH), 126.7 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, ArCH), 21.6 (CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -24.5 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 302 (65) [M^+], 303 (12), 301 (100). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉P 302.1224, C₂₁H₂₀P 303.1303 [M^+ +H]; found 303.1310.

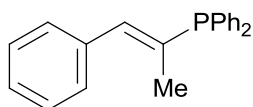


(Z)-(4-Methoxystyryl)diphenylphosphine (5d): White solid; 136.7 mg (86% yield); m.p. 137.3–138.9 °C; t_r 16.80 min; R_f 0.66 (hexane/EtOAc, 9.5:0.5). IR (neat) ν = 3068, 2927, 2848, 1603, 1507, 1178, 1027, 747, 239, 694 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.49–7.42 (m, 6H), 7.35–7.30 (m, 7H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.31 (dd, J = 12.6, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 159.7 (ArC), 143.8 (d, J = 19.3 Hz, CH=CHP), 139.6 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, ArC), 132.8 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, ArCH), 129.9 (ArC), 128.7 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (ArCH), 126.9 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, CH=CHP), 113.7 (ArCH), 55.4 (CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -24.7 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 319 [M^+ +1] (22), 318 (100) [M^+], 317 (83), 210 (24), 209 (13), 207 (21), 197 (17), 183 (10), 167 (12), 165 (12), 138 (10). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉OP 318.1174, C₂₁H₂₀OP 319.1252 [M^+ +H]; found 319.1266.

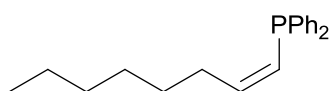


N,N-Dimethyl-4-[(Z)-2-(diphenylphosphino)vinyl]aniline (5e): Yellow solid; 143.9 mg (87% yield); m.p. 156.0–158.8 °C; t_r 20.56 min; R_f 0.55 (hexane/EtOAc, 9.5:0.5). IR (neat) ν = 3050,

2887, 1611, 1519, 1432, 1199, 1158, 736, 694 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.49–7.42 (m, 6H), 7.34–7.27 (m, 7H), 6.64 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.15 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 150.4 (ArC), 144.3 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHP}$), 140.1 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, ArC), 132.8 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, ArCH), 131.0 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (ArCH), 128.5 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHP}$), 125.5 (ArC), 123.8 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, ArCH), 111.8 (ArCH), 40.4 (CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = –23.9 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 332 [$\text{M}^+ + 1$] (18), 331 (74) [M^+], 330 (18), 229 (19), 223 (100), 207 (11). HRMS (ES+): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}$ 331.1490, $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}$ 332.1568 [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$]; found 332.1576.

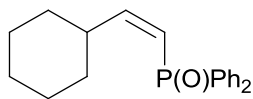


Diphenyl[(E)-1-phenylprop-1-en-2-yl]phosphine (5g):¹⁶ White solid; 96.6 mg (64% yield); m.p. 84.9–88.8 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; t_{r} 14.39 min; R_{f} 0.71 (hexane/EtOAc, 9.5:0.5). IR (neat) ν = 3045, 2957, 1570, 1476, 1431, 741, 693 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.42–7.27 (m, 15H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 1H), 1.79 (dd, J = 2.8, 1.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 143.3 (d, J = 29.1 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CP}$), 137.5 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, ArC), 136.9 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, ArC), 134.1 (d, J = 20.9 Hz, CH_3CP), 133.3 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, ArCH), 129.5 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, ArCH), 128.5 (ArCH), 128.4 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, ArCH), 127.9 (ArCH), 127.5 (ArCH), 24.5 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = –13.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 303 [$\text{M}^+ + 1$] (11), 302 (67) [M^+], 301 (100), 183 (14), 108 (12). HRMS (ES+): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{P}$ 302.1224, $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{P}$ 303.1303 [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$]; found 303.1307.

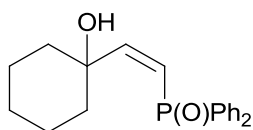


(Z)-Oct-1-en-1-ylidiphenylphosphine (5h): Colourless oil; 91.8 mg (62% yield); t_{r} 11.62 min; R_{f} 0.84 (hexane/EtOAc, 9:1). IR (neat) ν = 3072, 3047, 2949, 2929, 2851, 1617, 1437, 370 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.43–7.36 (m, 4H), 7.34–7.27 (m, 6H), 6.43 (ddt, J = 23.8, 11.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.21–6.13 (m, 1H), 2.50–2.37 (m, 2H), 1.45–1.17 (m, 8H), 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 148.2 (d, J = 24.4 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHP}$), 139.7 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, ArC), 132.7 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, ArCH), 128.5 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, ArCH), 128.3 (ArCH), 127.8 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHP}$), 31.8 (CH_2), 31.2 (d, J = 21.1 Hz, CH_2CH), 29.3 (CH_2), 29.0 (CH_2), 22.7 (CH_2), 14.2 (CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = –31.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 296 [M^+] (7), 253 (20), 240 (14), 239 (68), 226 (24), 225 (15), 200 (26), 199 (23), 187 (16), 186 (100), 185 (10), 183 (62), 152 (12), 147 (17), 145 (10), 133 (38), 129 (16), 128 (15), 121 (11), 117 (17), 116 (21),

115 (51), 109 (64), 108 (91), 107 (39), 105 (11), 91 (56), 83 (12), 77 (14), 65 (12), 51 (10). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₀H₂₅P 296.1694, found 296.1698.



(Z)-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (5i): White solid; 95.0 mg (61% yield); m.p. 140.0–143.6 °C; *t_r* 18.15 min; *R_f* 0.42 (hexane/EtOAc, 3:7). IR (neat) ν = 3061, 3021, 2918, 2839, 1619, 1435, 1181, 1118, 718, 691, 604 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.82–7.68 (m, 4H), 7.60–7.33 (m, 6H), 6.47 (ddd, *J* = 40.7, 12.9, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (dd, *J* = 25.3, 12.9 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (q, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 1.73–1.44 (m, 5H), 1.32–0.93 (m, 5H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 159.6 (CH=CHP), 134.7 (d, *J* = 103.7 Hz, ArC), 131.4 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, ArCH), 130.9 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, ArCH), 128.4 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, ArCH), 119.1 (d, *J* = 101.2 Hz, CH=CHP), 39.1 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CHCH₂), 32.1 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, CH₂), 25.7 (CH₂), 25.0 (CH₂). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.2 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 311 (15) [M⁺+1], 310 (73) [M⁺], 207 (21), 202 (100), 201 (23), 183 (12), 155 (17), 125 (7), 77 (7). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₀H₂₃OP 310.1487, found 310.1485.



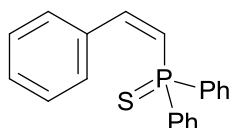
(Z)-[2-(1-Hydroxycyclohexyl)vinyl]diphenylphosphine oxide (5j): White solid; 93.0 mg (60% yield); m.p. 145.3–147.0 °C; *t_r* 20.20 min; *R_f* 0.63 (hexane/EtOAc, 3:7). IR (neat) ν = 3244, 3236, 2930, 1437, 1157, 1116, 990, 732, 710, 694, 655 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.71 (ddd, *J* = 12.2, 8.0, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 7.55–7.32 (m, 6H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 40.6, 14.0 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (s, 1H), 5.94 (dd, *J* = 24.7, 14.0 Hz, 1H), 1.96–1.20 (m, 10H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 162.2 (CH=CHP), 133.0 (d, *J* = 107.0 Hz, ArC), 131.8 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, ArCH), 131.1 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, ArCH), 118.1 (d, *J* = 98.3 Hz, CH=CHP), 71.7 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, CO), 37.9, 25.5, 21.7 (CH₂). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 26.7 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 309 [M⁺–17] (22), 308 (100) [M⁺–18], 292 (14), 279 (21), 231 (17), 203 (11), 202 (29), 201 (19), 183 (30), 155 (20), 141 (11), 125 (12), 91 (12), 77 (20). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₀H₂₃O₂P 326.1436, C₂₀H₂₁OP [M⁺–18] 308.1330, found 308.1316.

General procedure for the hydrothiophosphination of alkynes 4

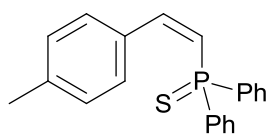
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Characterisation of compounds **6**

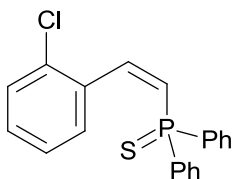


(Z)-Diphenyl(styryl)phosphine sulfide (6a):¹⁷ White solid; 153.6 mg (96% yield); m.p. 104.0–105.0 °C; t_r 18.15 min; R_f 0.65 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3046, 2986, 2926, 1595, 1489, 1434, 1097, 782, 727, 700, 688, 656, 620 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.90–7.81 (m, 4H), 7.54–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.26 (m, 6H), 7.08–6.97 (m, 3H), 6.41 (dd, J = 17.8, 13.6 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 146.6 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHP}$), 134.6 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, ArC), 133.1 (d, J = 85.4 Hz, ArC), 131.3 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, ArCH), 130.3 (ArCH), 128.9 (ArCH), 128.4 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, ArCH), 127.6 (ArCH), 123.2 (d, J = 81.8 Hz, CHP). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 30.3 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 321 (23) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$], 320 (100) [M^+], 319 (12), 287 (15), 218 (63), 211 (31), 185 (27), 183 (61), 140 (20), 133 (37), 107 (11). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{PS}$ 320.0789, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{PS}$ 321.0867 [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$]; found 321.0877.

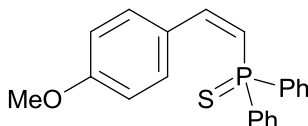


(Z)-(4-Methylstyryl)diphenylphosphine sulfide (6b):¹⁷ Pale yellow solid; 130.3 mg (78% yield); m.p. 118.0–122.0 °C; t_r 18.15 min; R_f 0.57 (hexane/EtOAc, 8:2). IR (neat) ν = 3050, 3000, 1591, 1436, 1099, 823, 741, 715, 709, 691, 631, 601 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.92–7.86 (m, 4H), 7.45–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.30 (m, 6H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.34 (dd, J = 18.0, 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 146.8 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHP}$), 139.2 (ArC), 133.4 (d, J = 85.4 Hz, ArC), 131.7 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, ArCH), 131.3 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, ArCH), 131.1, 130.6, 128.5, 128.4 (4 $\times$ ArCH), 121.7 (d, J = 82.2 Hz, CHP), 21.4 (CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 30.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 335 (19) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$], 334 (78) [M^+], 301 (12), 226 (11), 225 (67), 218 (62), 185 (45), 184 (14), 183 (100), 179 (11),

178 (10), 152 (13), 147 (51), 140 (37), 139 (14), 134 (17), 133 (14), 115 (24), 104 (14), 77 (12), 65 (11), 63 (15), 51 (11). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₁₈H₁₉PS 334.0945, C₁₈H₂₀PS 335.1023 [M⁺+H]; found 335.1028.

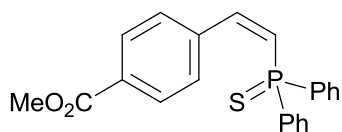


(Z)-(2-Chlorostyryl)diphenylphosphine sulfide (6k): Pale yellow solid; 164.6 mg (93% yield); m.p. 83.2–86.7 °C; *t_r* 20.11 min; *R_f* 0.72 (hexane/EtOAc, 8:2). IR (neat) ν = 3060, 2991, 1467, 1435, 1097, 1051, 744, 736, 720, 704, 693, 675, 648 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.88–7.77 (m, 4H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.26 (m, 6H), 7.07 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (dd, *J* = 18.2, 13.3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.1 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, CH=CHP), 133.5 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, ArC), 132.8 (ArC), 132.3 (ArCH), 132.4 (d, *J* = 85.5 Hz, ArC), 131.4 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, ArCH), 131.3 (ArCH), 129.9 (ArCH), 128.5 (ArCH), 128.4 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, ArCH), 126.1 (d, *J* = 81.8 Hz, CHP), 126.0 (ArCH). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 29.5 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 354 (1) [M⁺], 320 (24), 319 (100), 183 (17). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₀H₁₆ClPS 354.0399, C₂₀H₁₇ClPS 355.0477 [M⁺+H]; found 355.0480.

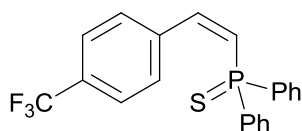


(Z)-(4-Methoxystyryl)diphenylphosphine sulfide (6d): Yellow solid; 157.5 mg (90% yield); m.p. 75.2–77.4 °C; *t_r* 21.19 min; *R_f* 0.58 (hexane/EtOAc, 7:3). IR (neat) ν = 3045, 3006, 2957, 2927, 2838, 1604, 1585, 1435, 1310, 1260, 1170, 1097, 1031, 839, 751, 741, 718, 705, 691, 651, 628 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.93–7.85 (m, 4H), 7.53–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.29 (m, 7H), 6.61–6.56 (m, 2H), 6.24 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 160.3 (ArC), 146.5 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, CH=CHP), 133.5 (d, *J* = 85.4 Hz, ArC), 132.6 (ArCH), 131.3 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, ArCH), 128.5 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, ArCH), 127.3 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, ArCH), 119.9 (d, *J* = 82.7 Hz, CHP), 113.1 (ArCH), 55.3 (CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 30.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 351 (21) [M⁺+1], 350 (89) [M⁺], 318 (10), 317 (13), 242 (16), 241 (100), 218 (47), 210 (12), 185 (38), 184 (11), 183 (76), 165 (14), 163 (36), 152 (13), 150 (14), 140 (29), 139 (10), 133 (17), 121 (10), 107 (13), 77 (11),

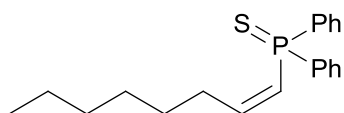
63 (12). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉OPS 350.0894, C₂₁H₂₀OPS 351.0972 [M⁺+H]; found 351.0968.



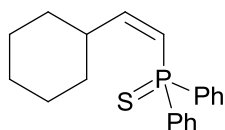
(Z)-Methyl 4-[2-(diphenylphosphorothioyl)vinyl]benzoate (6l): Pale yellow solid; 173.8 mg (92% yield); m.p. 109.9–114.4 °C; *t_r* 25.16 min; *R_f* 0.33 (hexane/EtOAc, 8:2). IR (neat) ν = 3042, 2995, 2946, 1715, 1608, 1437, 1275, 1100, 871, 707, 689, 637, 608 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.90–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.73–7.66 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.27 (m, 6H), 6.56 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 166.6 (ArC), 145.0 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, CH=CHP), 138.9 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, ArC), 132.7 (d, *J* = 85.6 Hz, ArC), 131.5 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, ArCH), 131.3 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, ArCH), 130.0 (ArCH), 129.9 (ArC), 128.8 (ArCH), 128.5 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, ArCH), 126.1 (d, *J* = 80.6 Hz, CHP), 52.2 (CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 29.9 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 379 (16) [M⁺+1], 378 (61) [M⁺], 269 (18), 238 (11), 219 (13), 218 (90), 207 (15), 191 (15), 185 (44), 184 (15), 183 (100), 178 (14), 152 (12), 140 (32), 139 (14), 134 (13), 133 (14), 129 (10), 108 (10), 107 (15), 63 (11). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₂H₁₉O₂PS 378.0843, C₂₂H₂₀O₂PS 379.0922 [M⁺+H]; found 379.0920.



(Z)-Diphenyl[4-(trifluoromethyl)styryl]phosphine sulfide (6f): Yellow solid; 58 mg (30% yield); m.p. 150.2–152.7 °C; *t_r* 19.53 min; *R_f* 0.42 (hexane/EtOAc, 8:2). IR (neat) ν = 3056, 2919, 2848, 1436, 1321, 1115, 1097, 1065, 858, 717, 704, 689, 615 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.89–7.66 (m, 4H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.50–7.15 (m, 9H), 6.60 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 13.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): 144.2 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, CH=CHP), 137.9 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, ArC), 132.3 (d, *J* = 85.5 Hz, ArC), 131.9 (m, ArC), 31.4 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, ArCH), 130.0 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, ArCH), 128.4 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, ArCH), 126.6 (d, *J* = 80.5 Hz, CHP), 124.4 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz, ArCH) 123.7 (q, *J* = 272.0 Hz, ArC). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 29.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 389 (23) [M⁺+1], 388 (100) [M⁺], 356 (81), 355 (93), 279 (16), 218 (63), 201 (29), 191 (15), 185 (30), 184 (11), 183 (78), 140 (20), 108 (22), 107 (14). HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z* calcd. for C₂₁H₁₆F₃PS 388.0662, found 388.0652.



(Z)-Oct-1-en-1-ylidiphenylphosphine sulfide (6h):¹⁷ Colorless oil; 147.6 mg (90% yield); t_r 15.69 min; R_f 0.66 (hexane/EtOAc, 8:2). IR (neat) ν = 3042, 2951, 2924, 2854, 1611, 1435, 1100, 735, 717, 706, 690 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.94–7.83 (m, 4H), 7.50–7.40 (m, 6H), 6.58 (ddt, J = 42.9, 12.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (ddt, J = 23.5, 12.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (qdd, J = 7.6, 2.9, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 1.35–1.06 (m, 8H), 0.82 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 153.6 (CH=CHP), 134.6 (d, J = 84.2 Hz, ArC), 131.4 (ArCH), 131.3 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, ArCH), 128.6 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, ArCH), 123.0 (d, J = 84.5 Hz, CHP), 31.6 (CH_2), 31.0 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, CH_2), 28.9, 28.4, 22.6 (CH_2), 14.2 (CH_3). ^{31}P NMR (122 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 28.4 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 328 (29) [M^+], 271 (43), 219 (17), 218 (100), 217 (35), 185 (16), 183 (35), 139 (13). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{PS}$ 328.1415, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{PS}$ 329.1493 [M^+H]; found 329.1498.

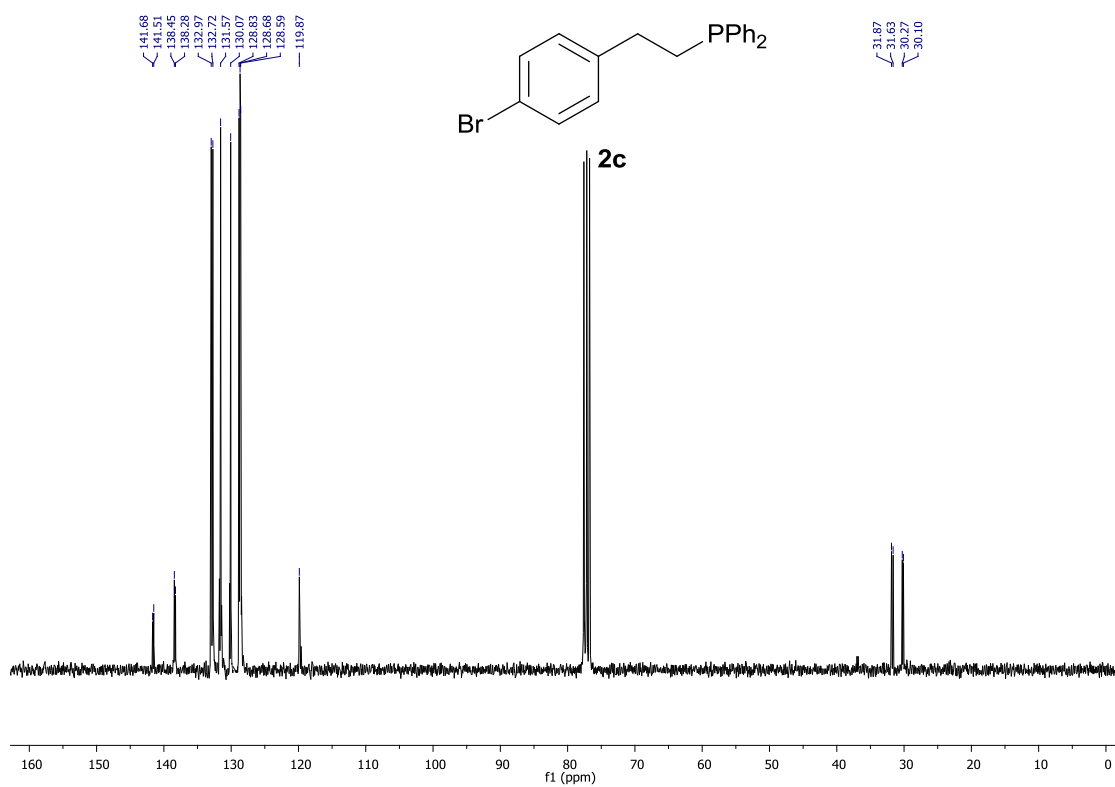
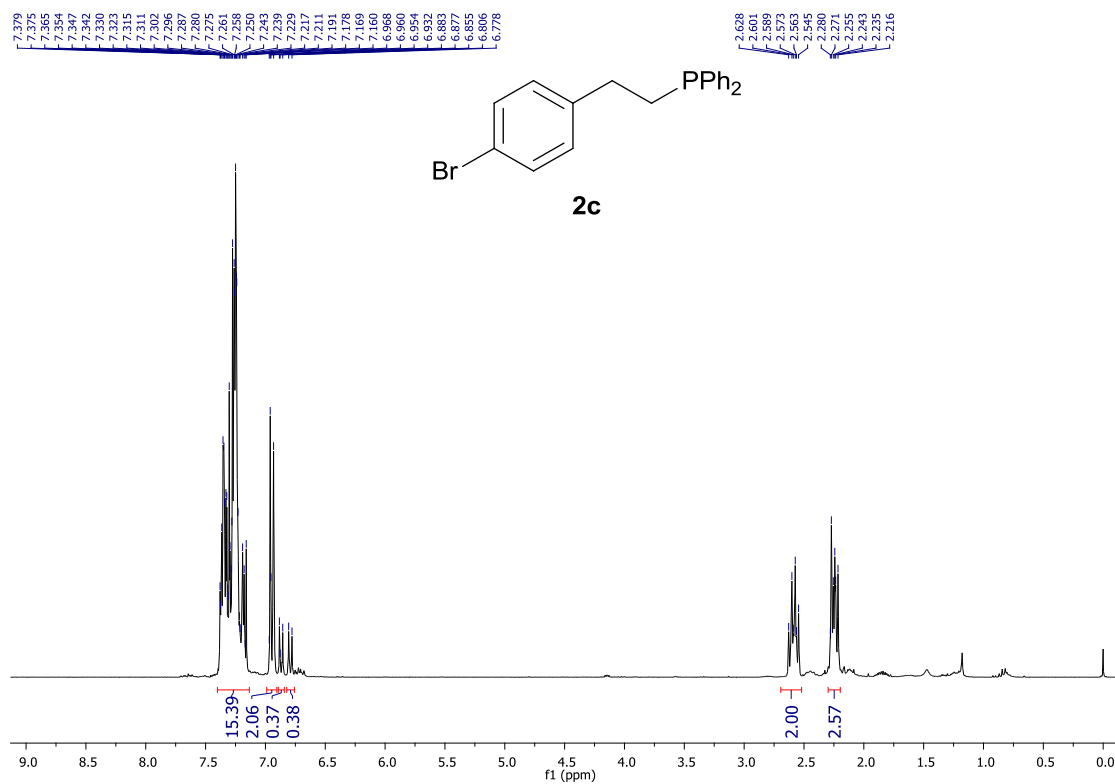


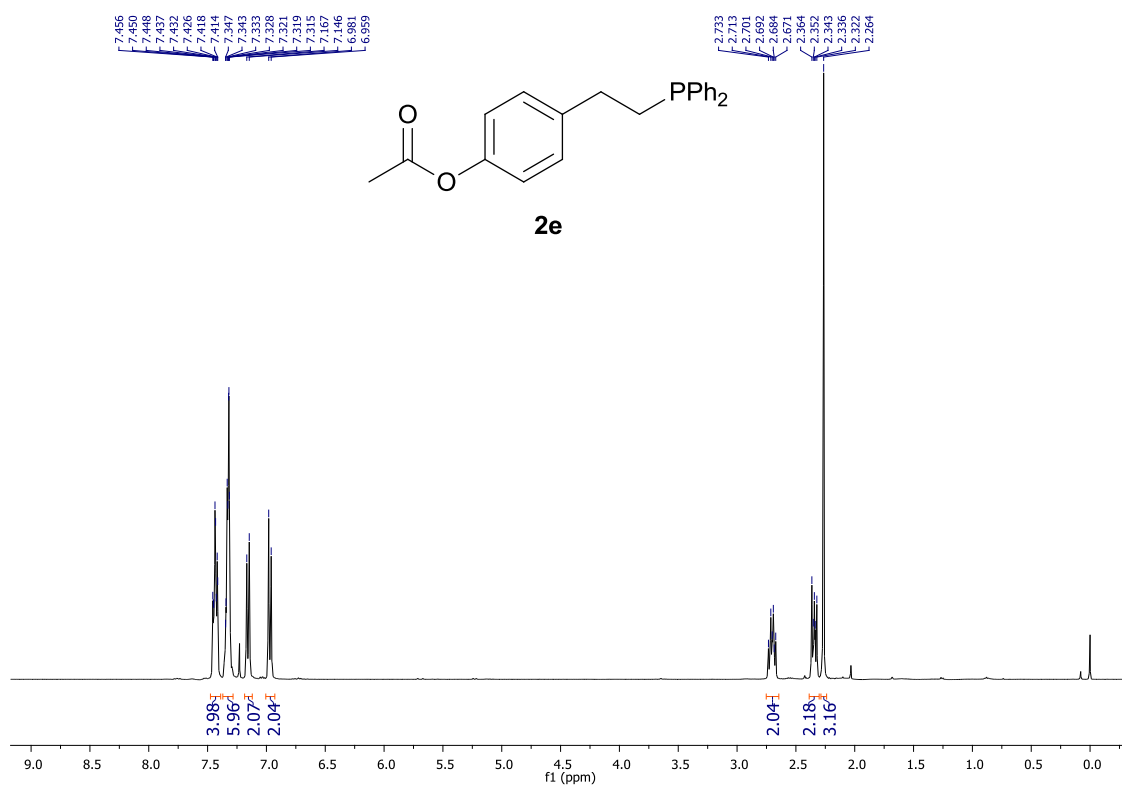
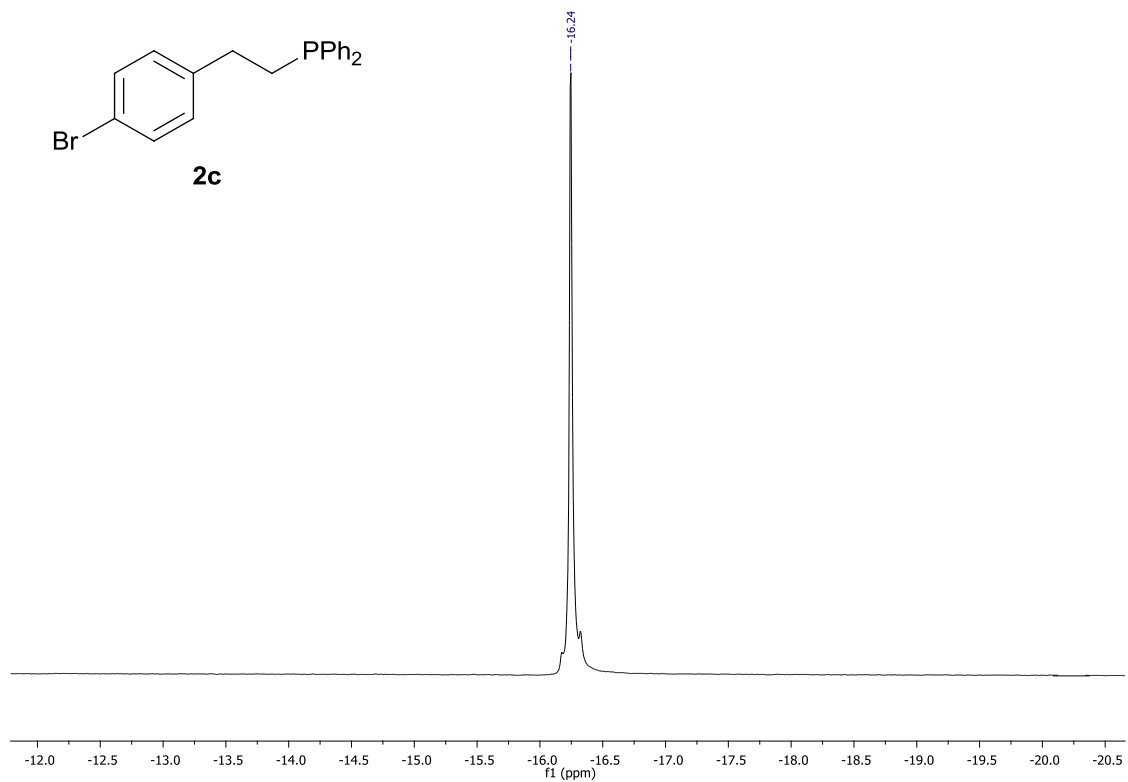
(Z)-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)diphenylphosphine sulfide (6i): Pale yellow solid; 97.8 mg (60% yield); m.p. 63.8–66.8 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; t_r 16.20 min; R_f 0.58 (hexane/EtOAc, 9:1). IR (neat) ν = 3040, 2929, 2920, 1611, 1099, 734, 719, 708, 690 cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.93–7.85 (m, 4H), 7.49–7.39 (m, 6H), 6.42–6.24 (m, 1H), 6.17 (dd, J = 23.6, 12.4 Hz, 1H), 2.76–2.61 (m, 1H), 1.60–1.49 (m, 5H), 1.29–1.23 (m, 1H), 1.02–0.93 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 157.8 (ArC), 134.8 (d, J = 84.2 Hz, ArC), 131.3 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, ArCH), 131.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, CH=CHP), 128.6 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, ArCH), 121.3 (d, J = 84.6 Hz, CHP), 39.3 (d, J = 31.3 Hz, CH), 31.1 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, CH_2), 25.8, 25.1 (CH_2). ^{31}P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 28.8 ppm. GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 326 (29) [M^+], 219 (19), 218 (100), 217 (20), 185 (28), 183 (47), 140 (25), 139 (16), 133 (12), 109 (10), 108 (14), 107 (10). HRMS (ES⁺): m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{PS}$ 326.1258, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{PS}$ 327.1336 [M^+H]; found 327.1340.

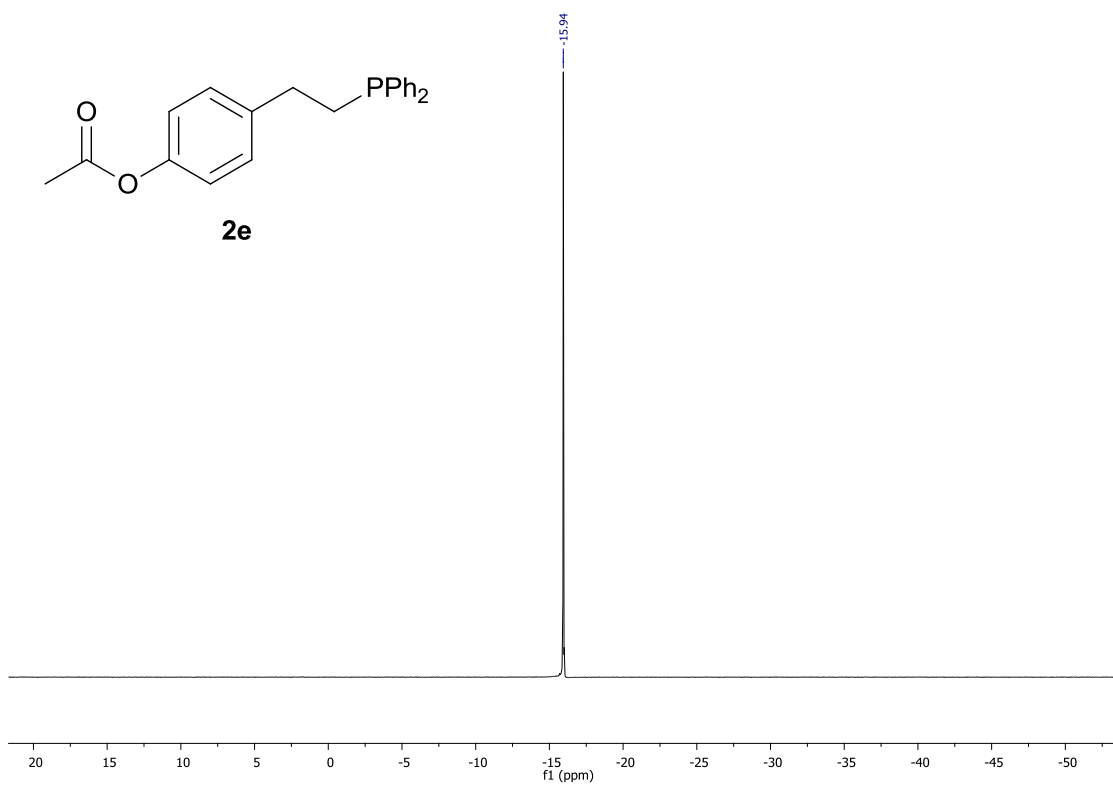
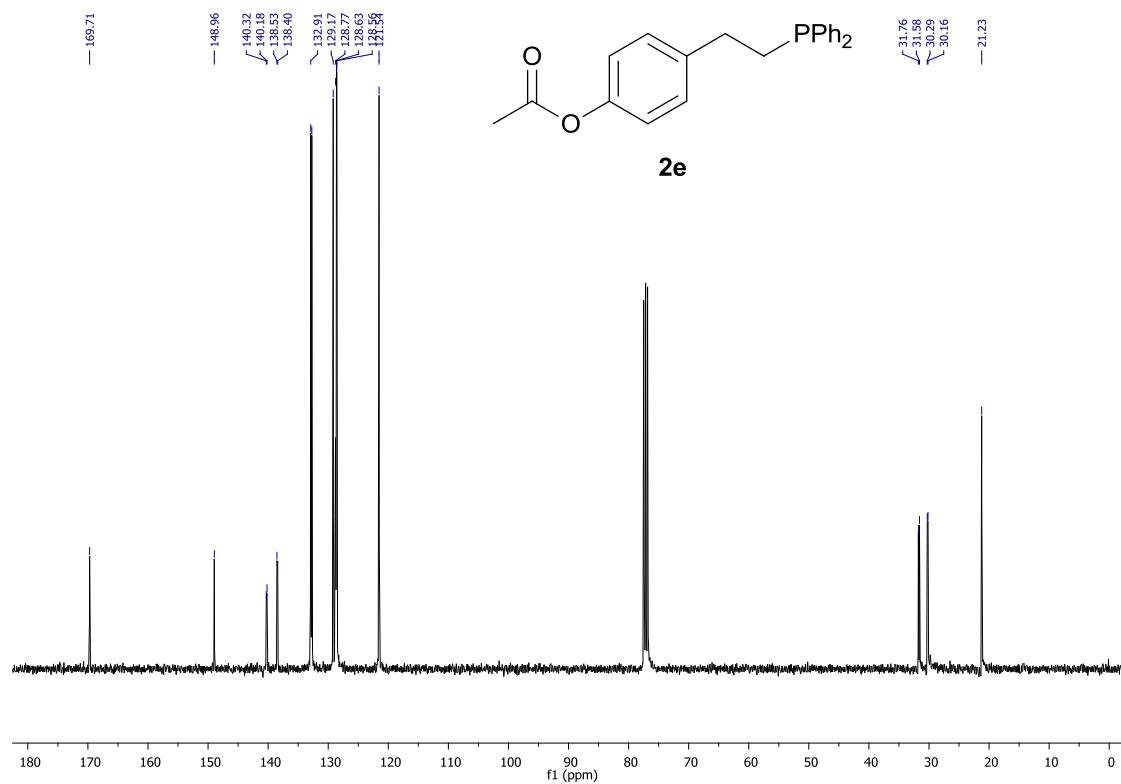
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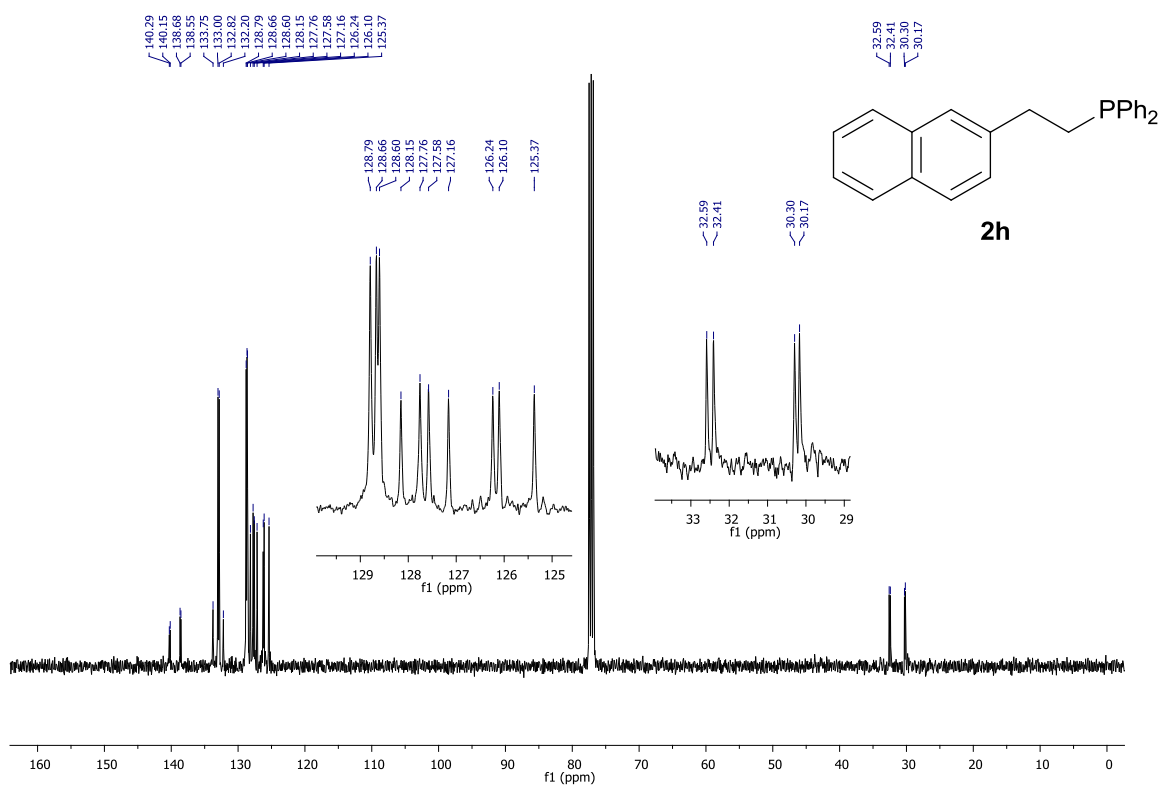
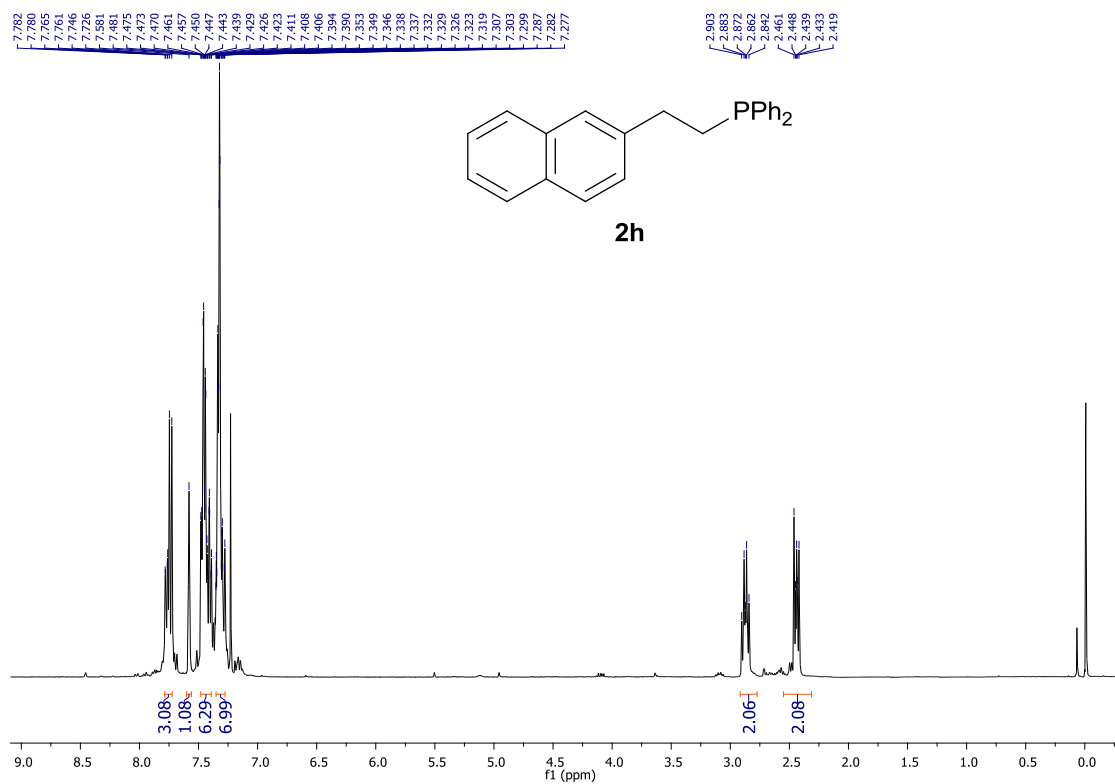
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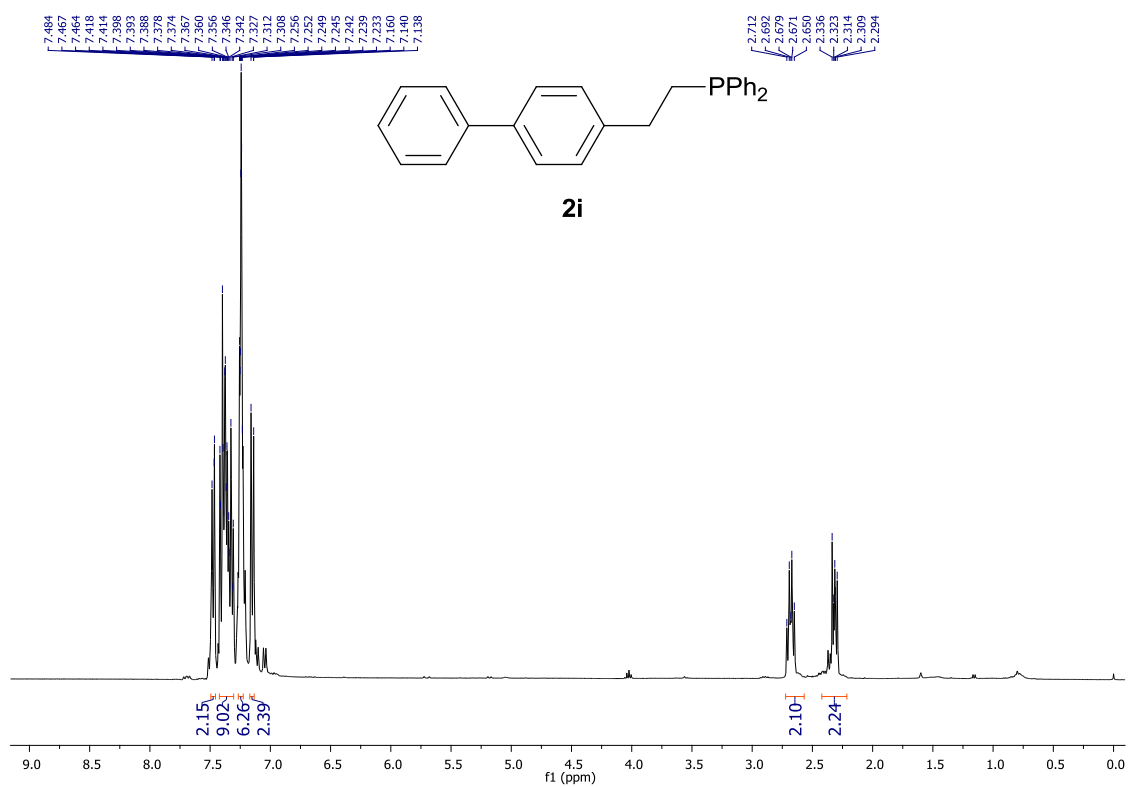
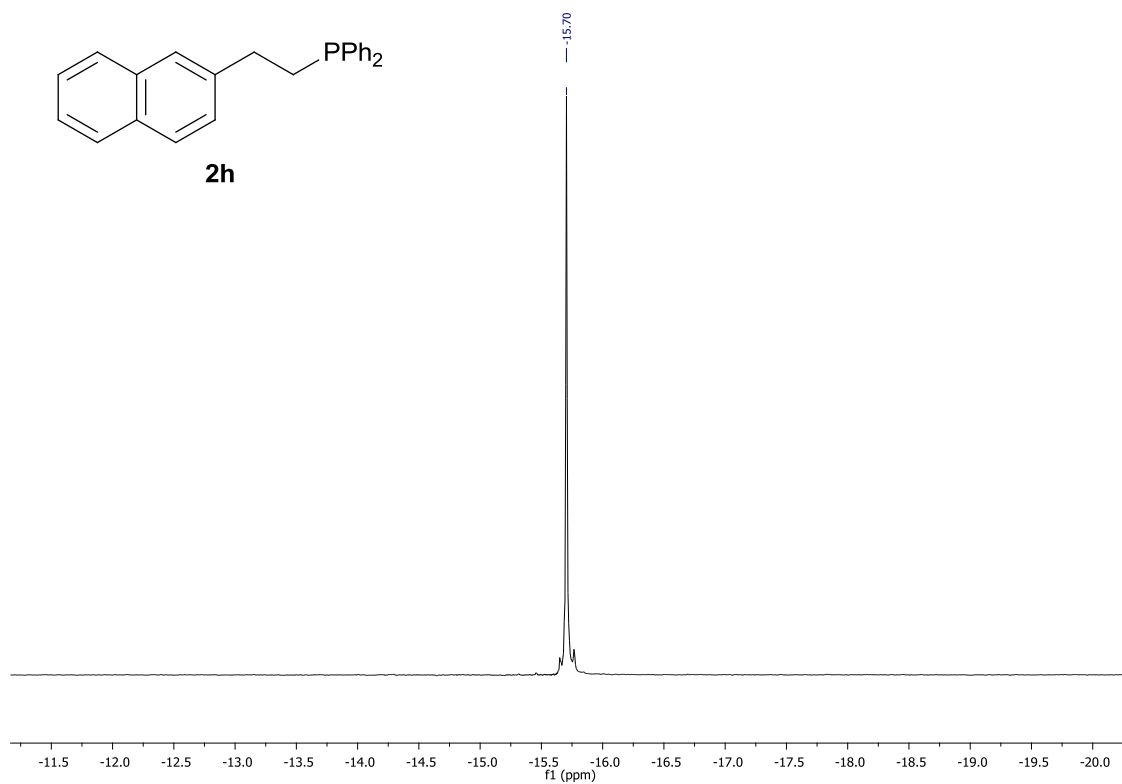
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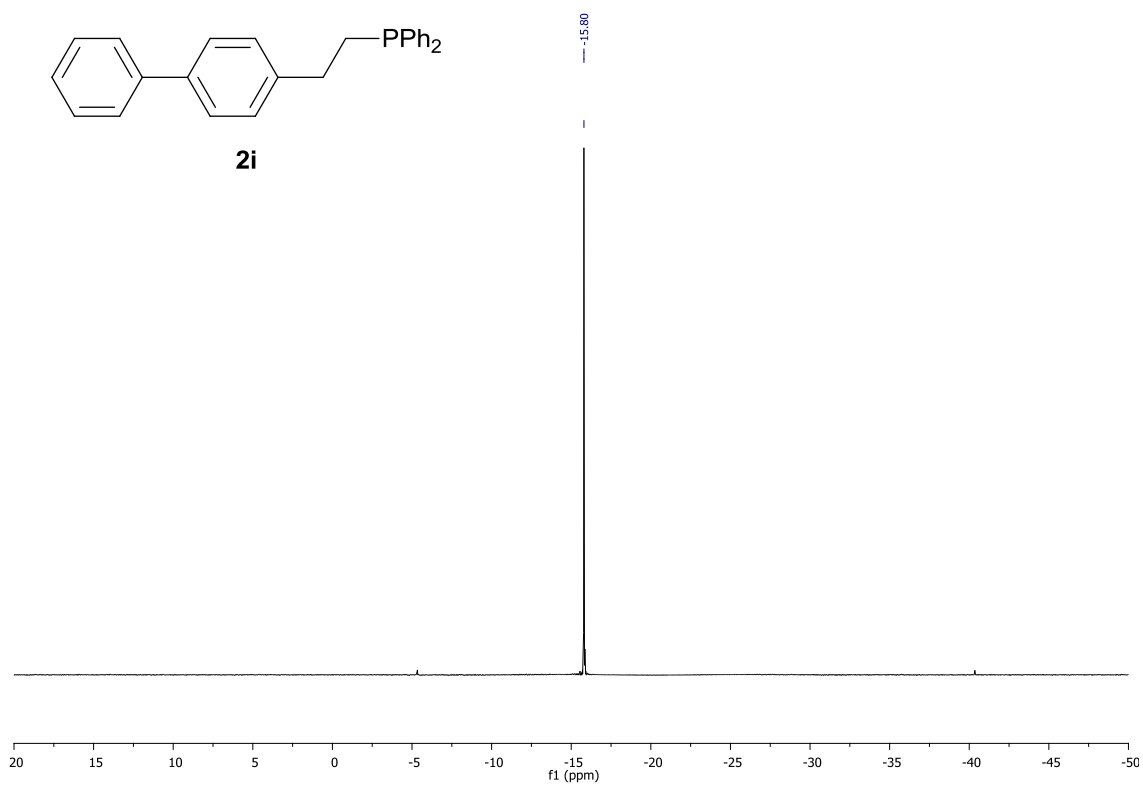
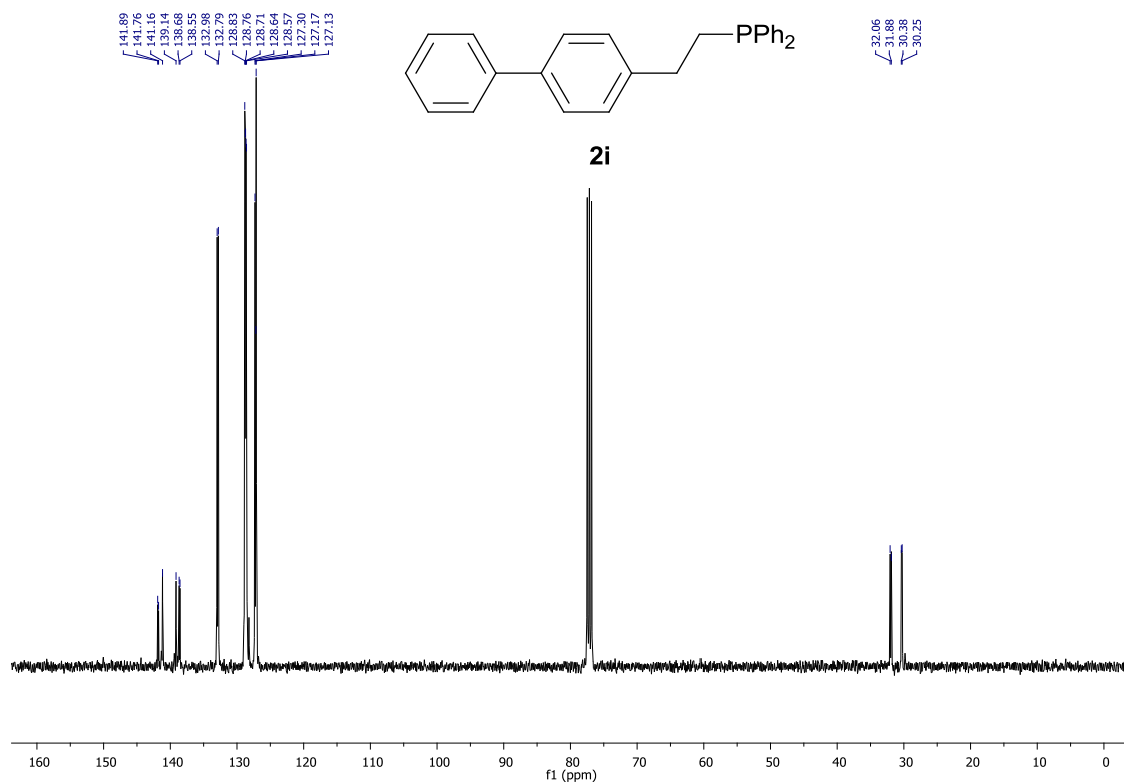


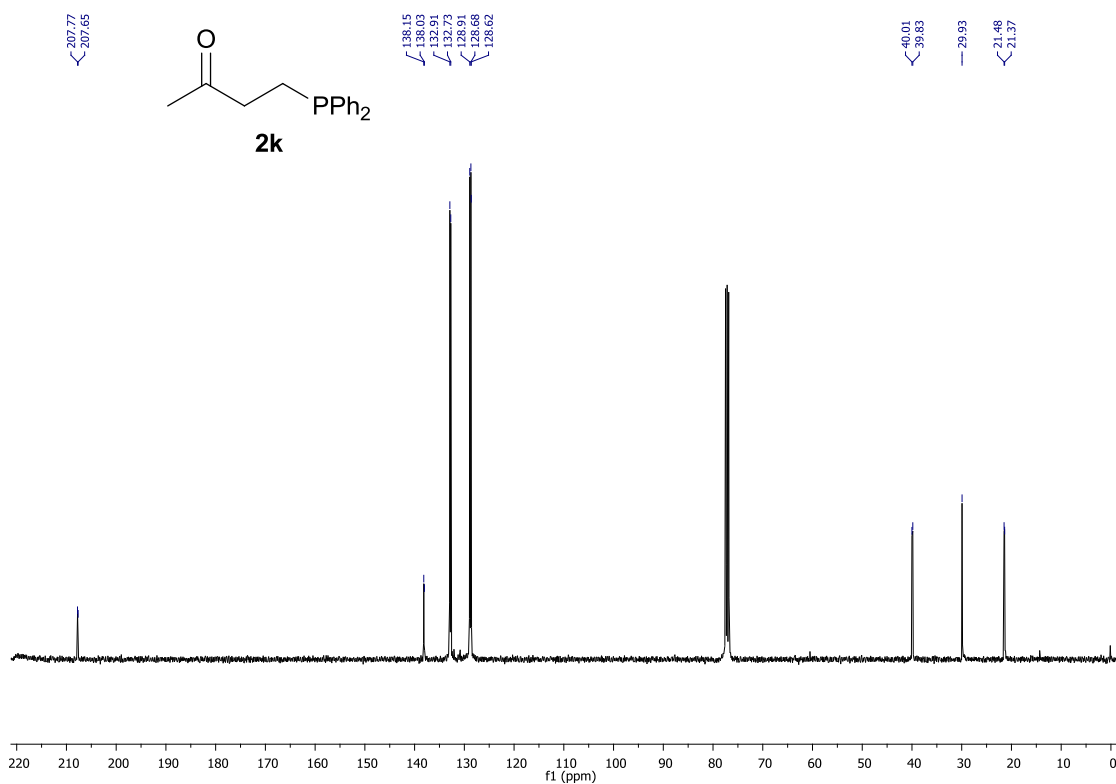
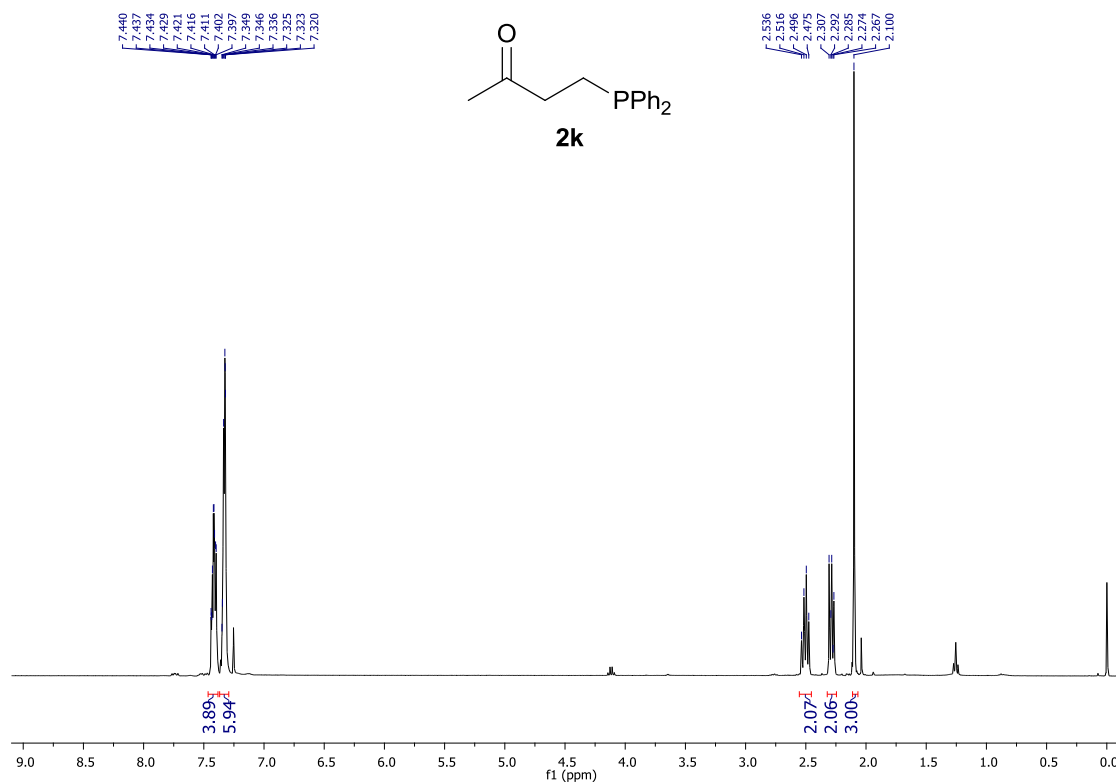


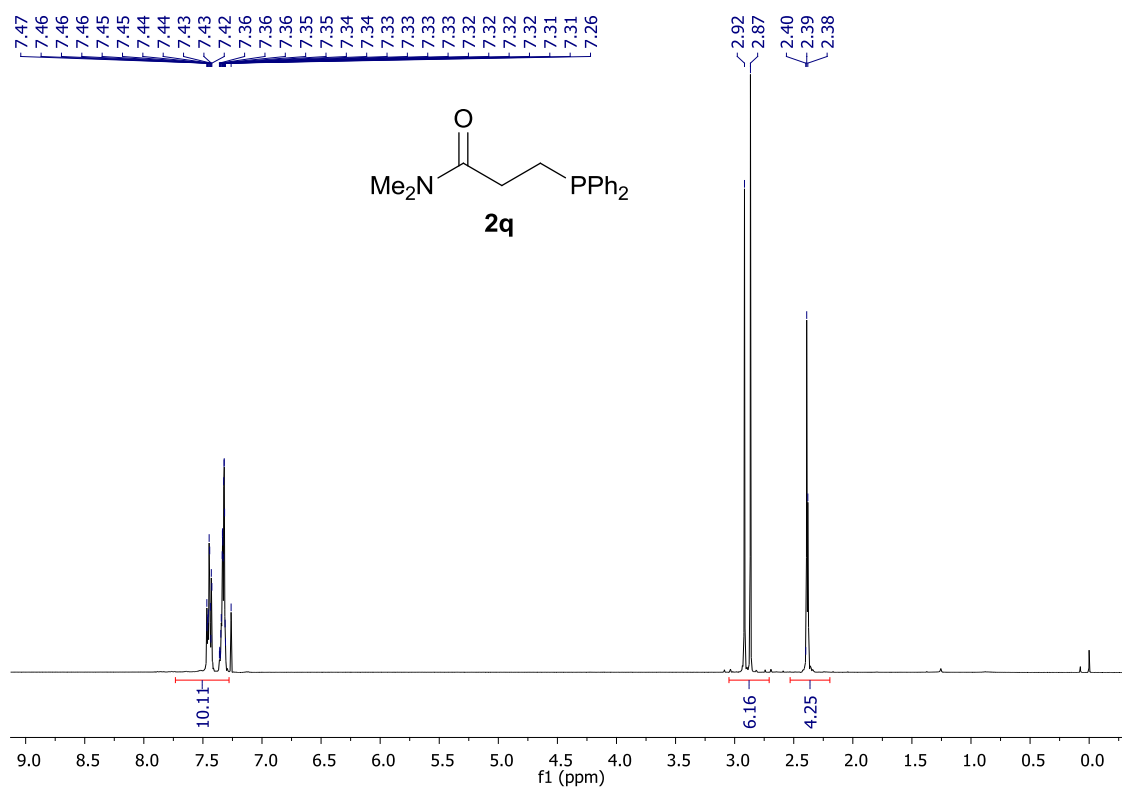
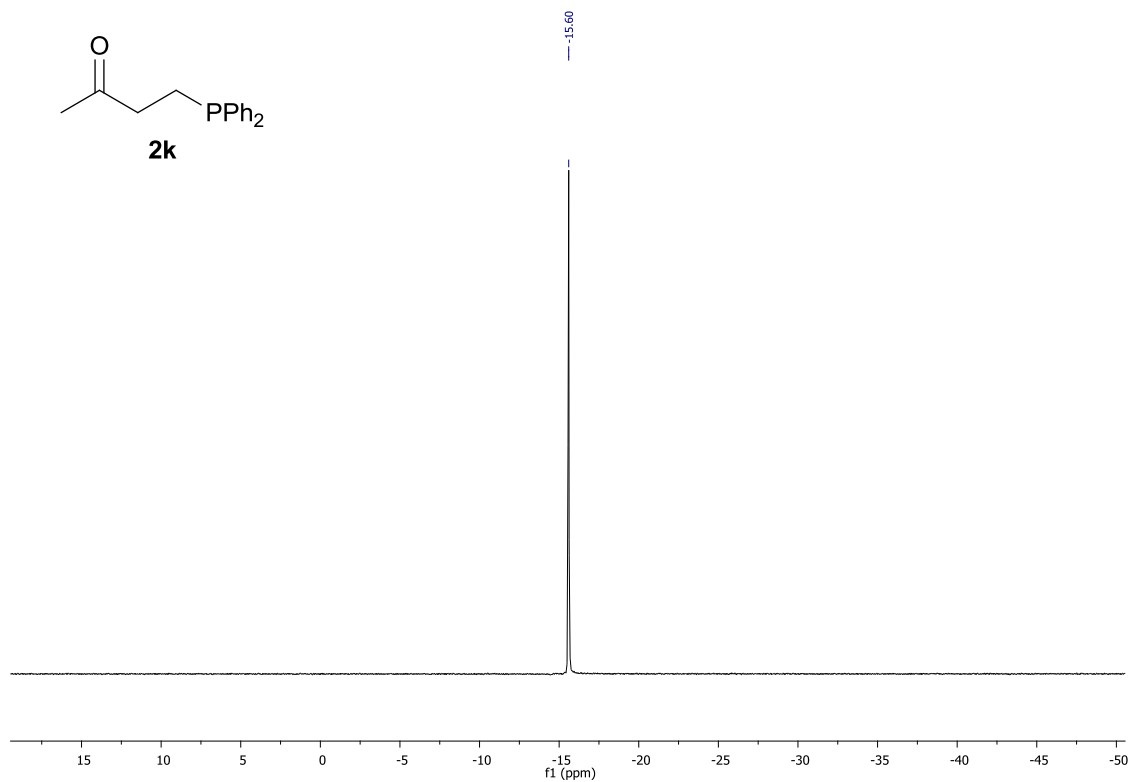


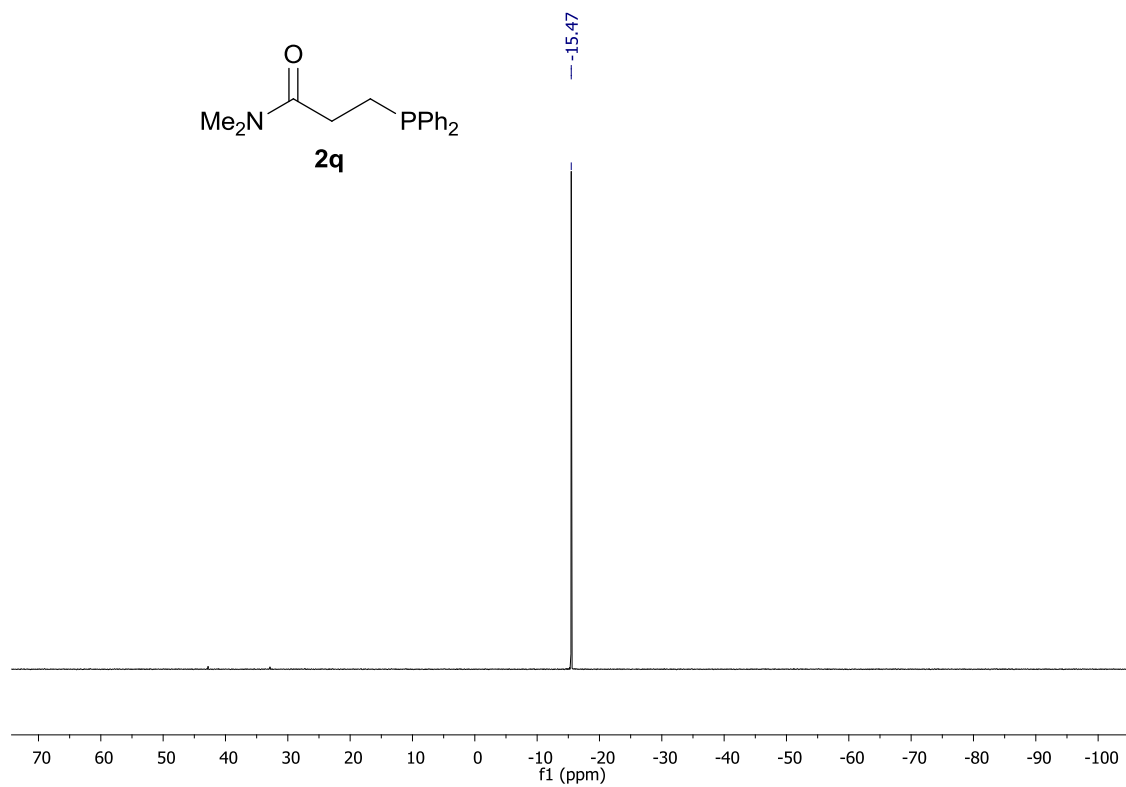
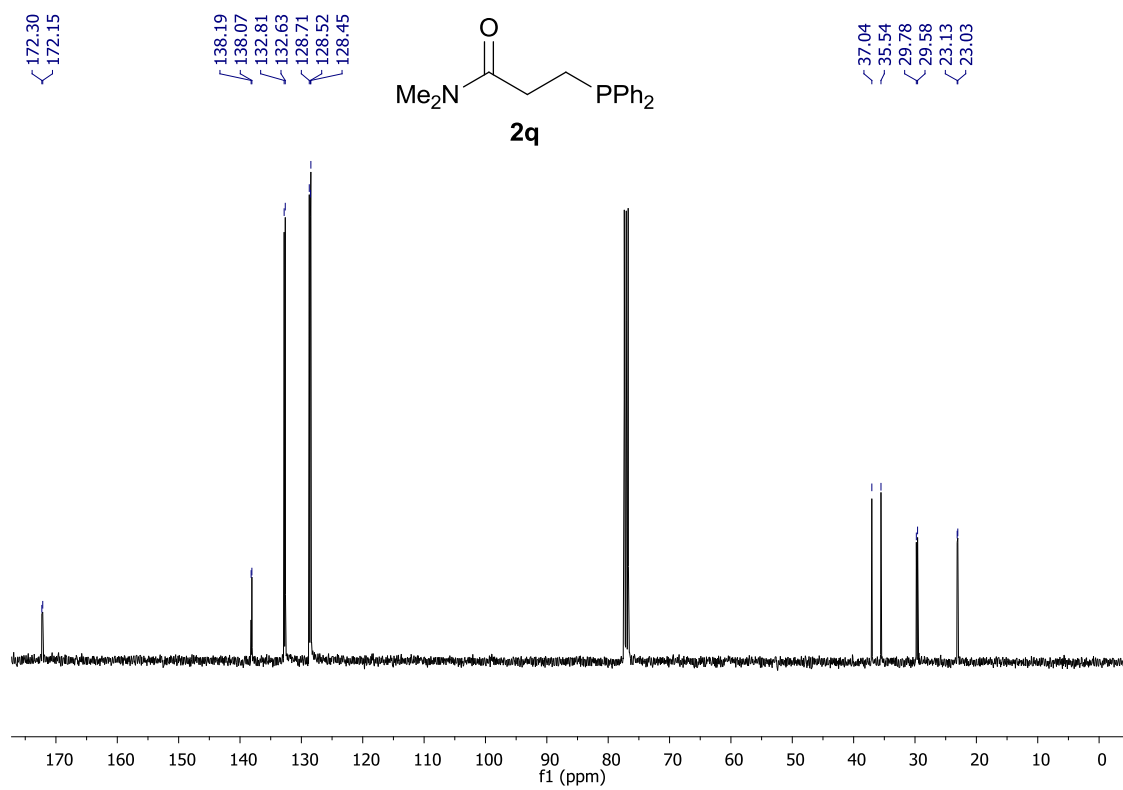


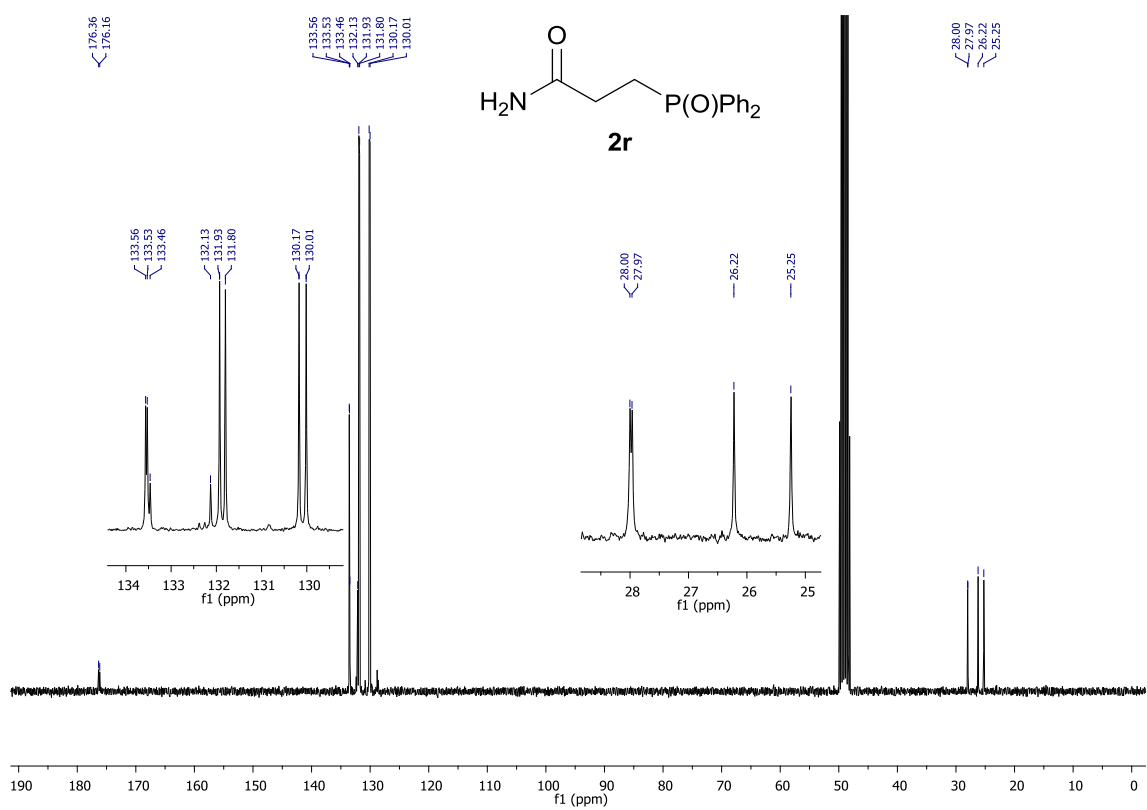
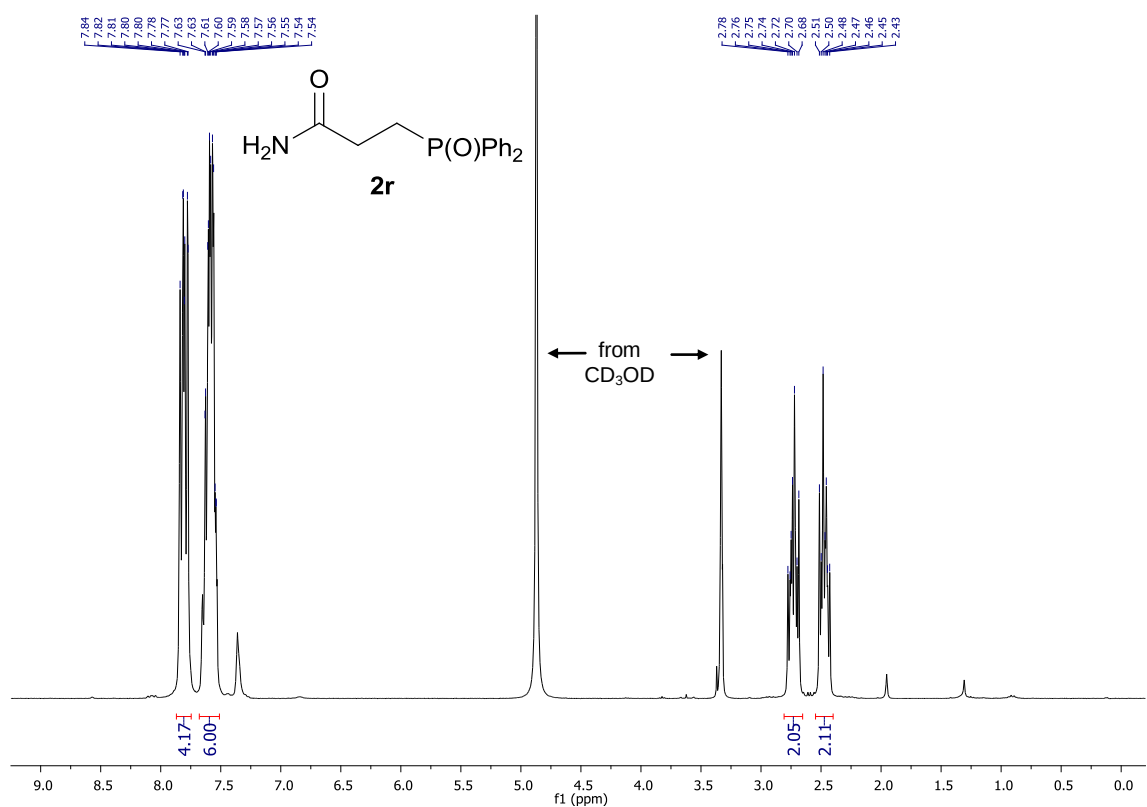


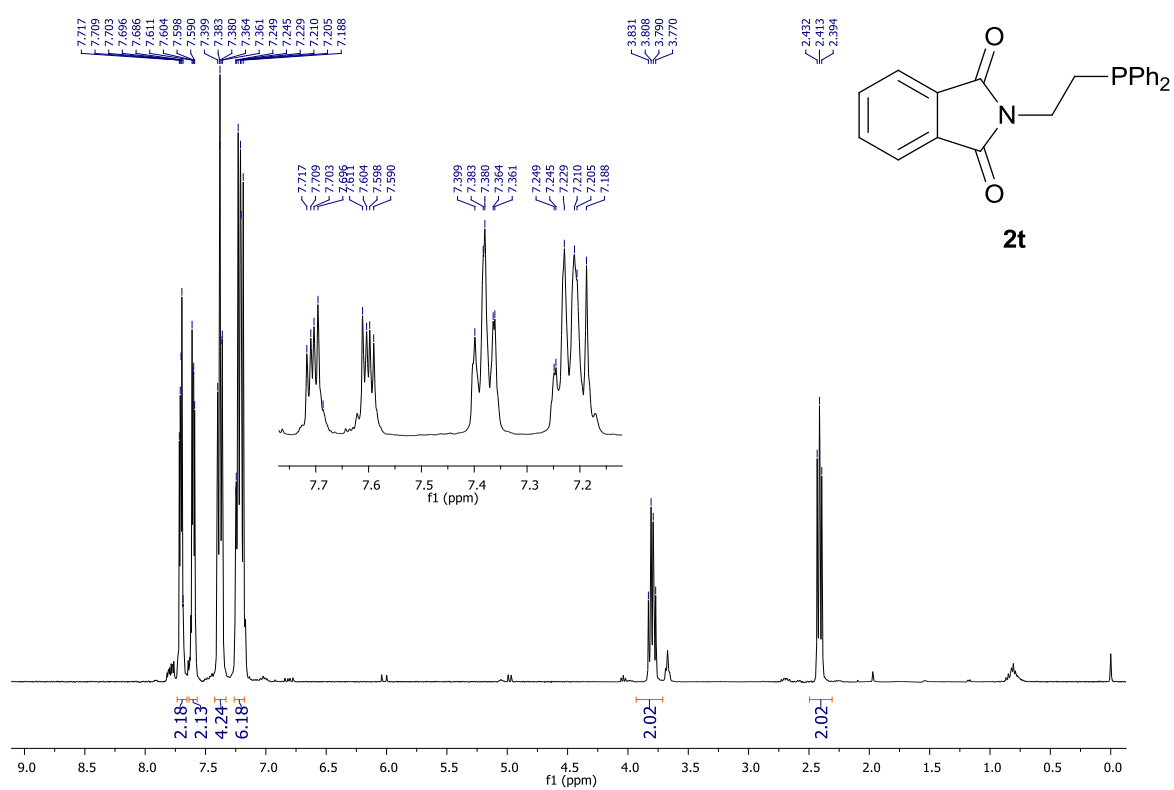
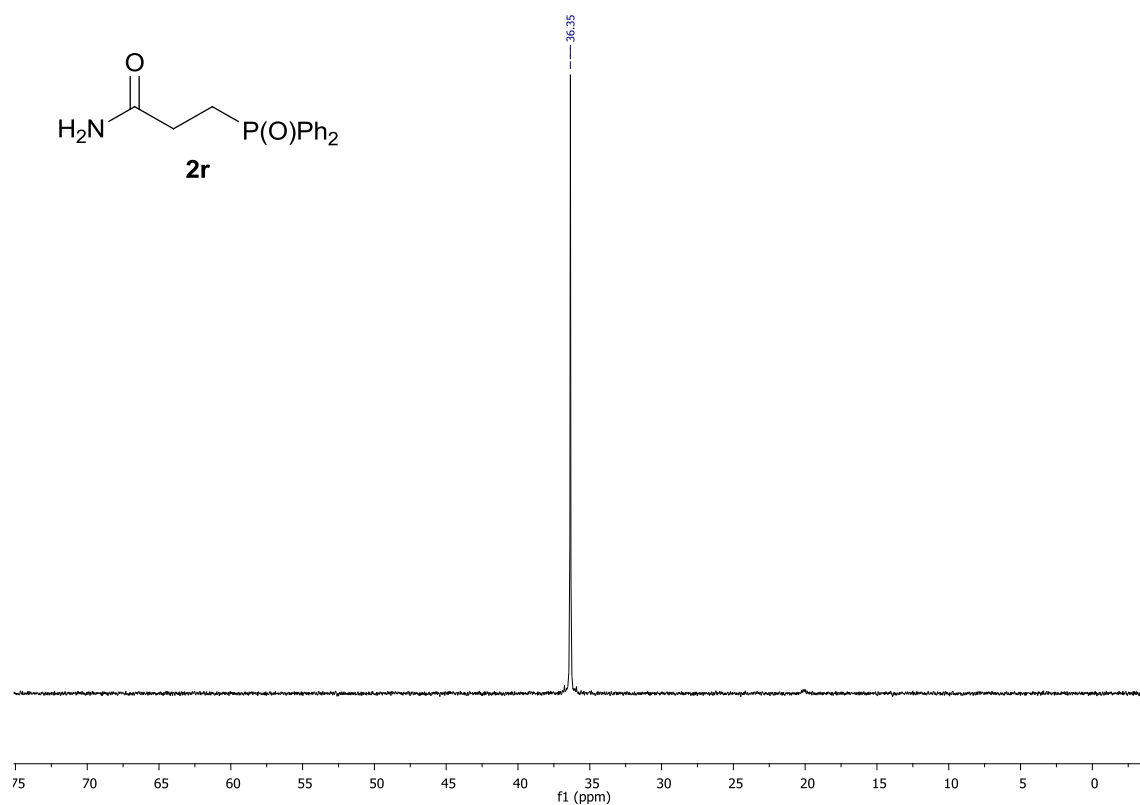


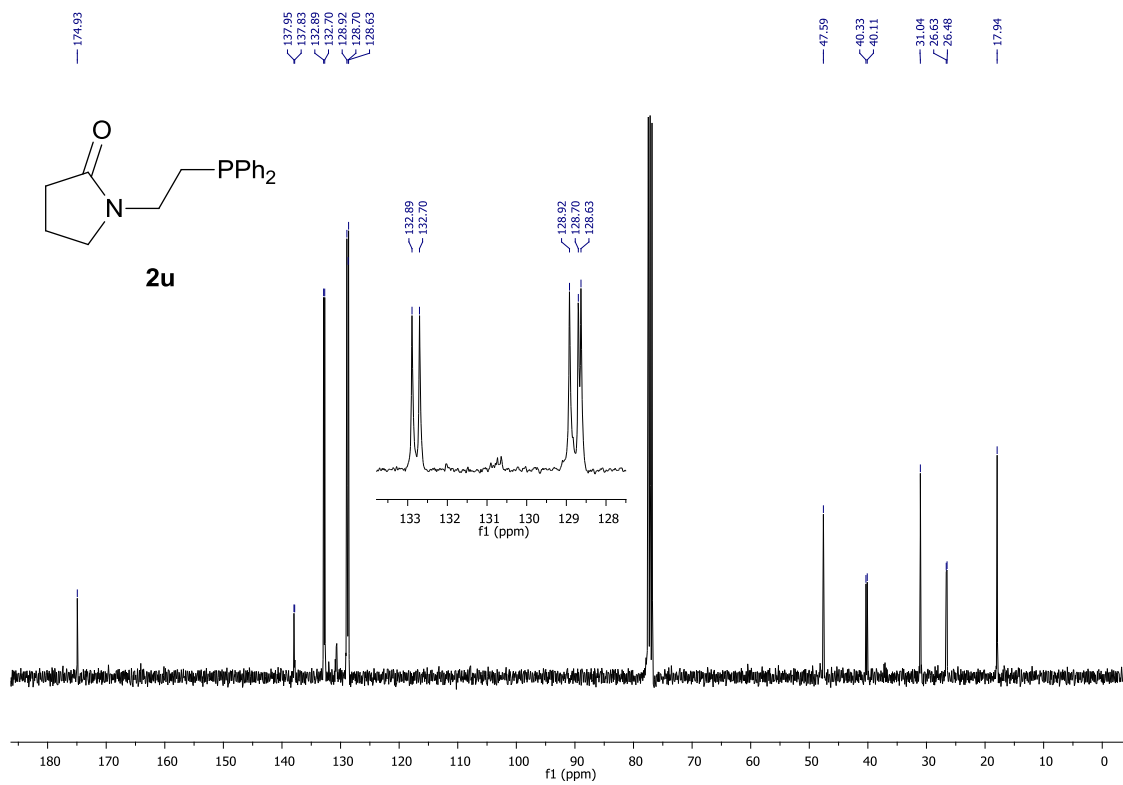
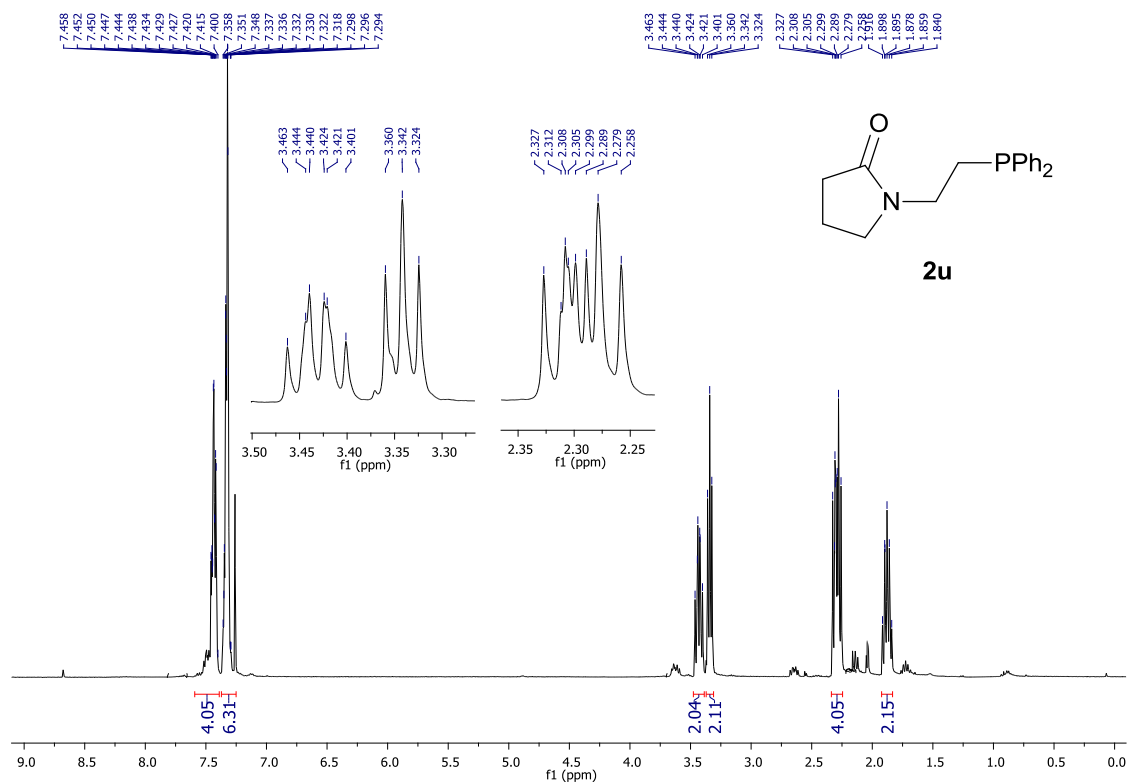


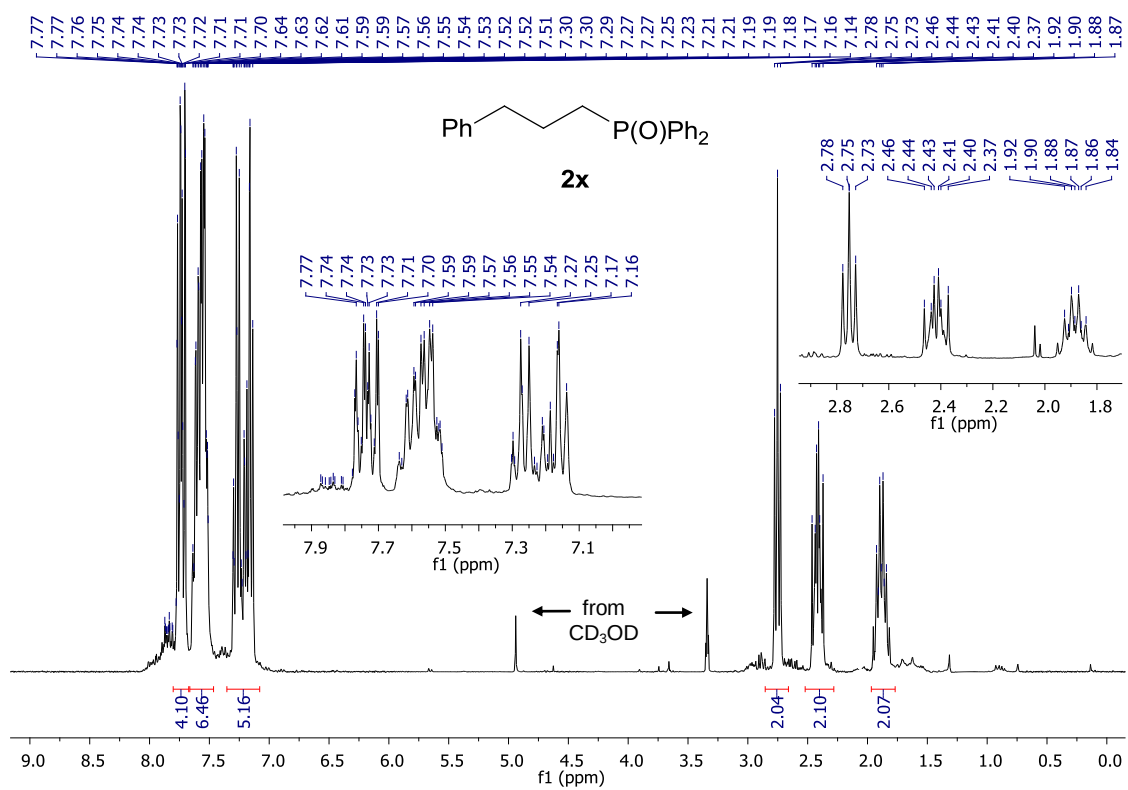
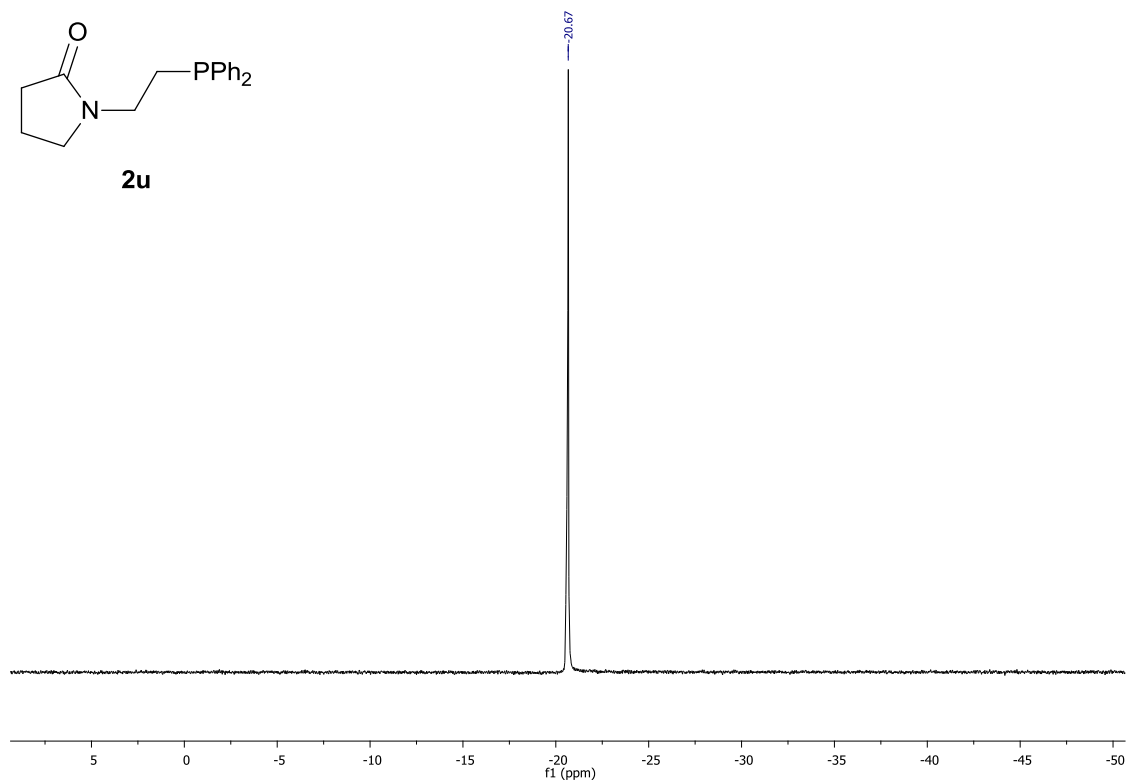


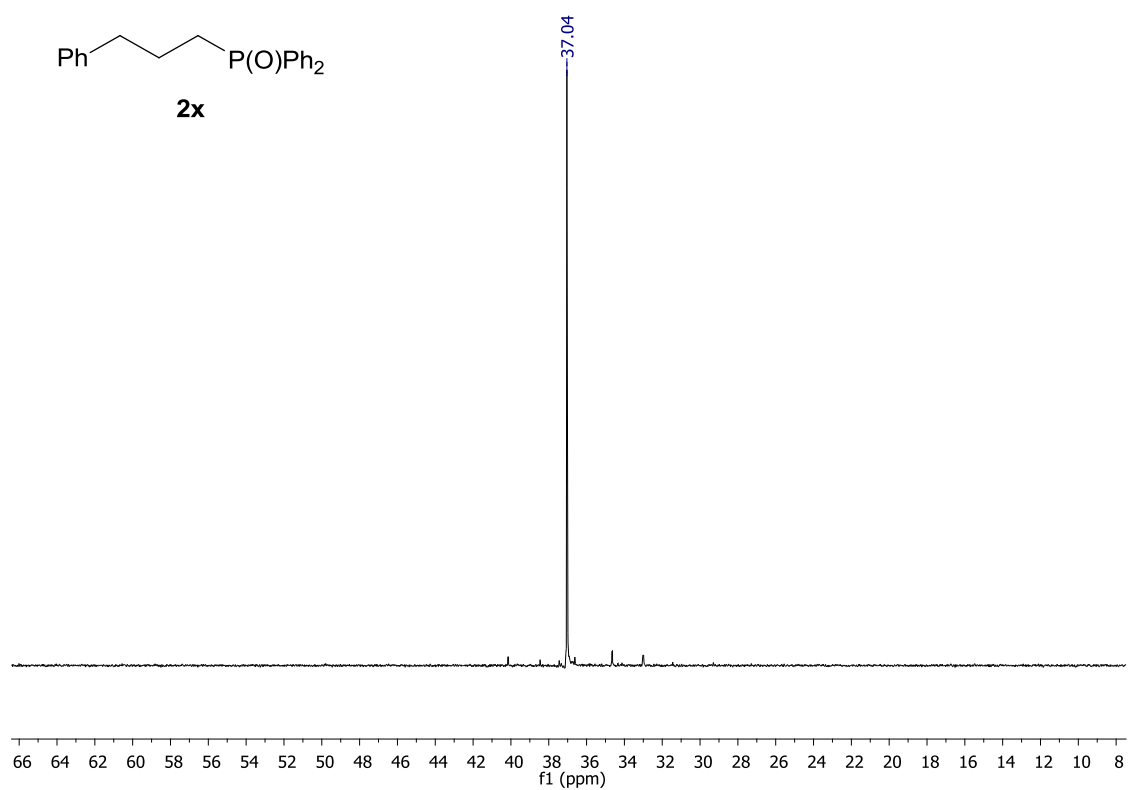
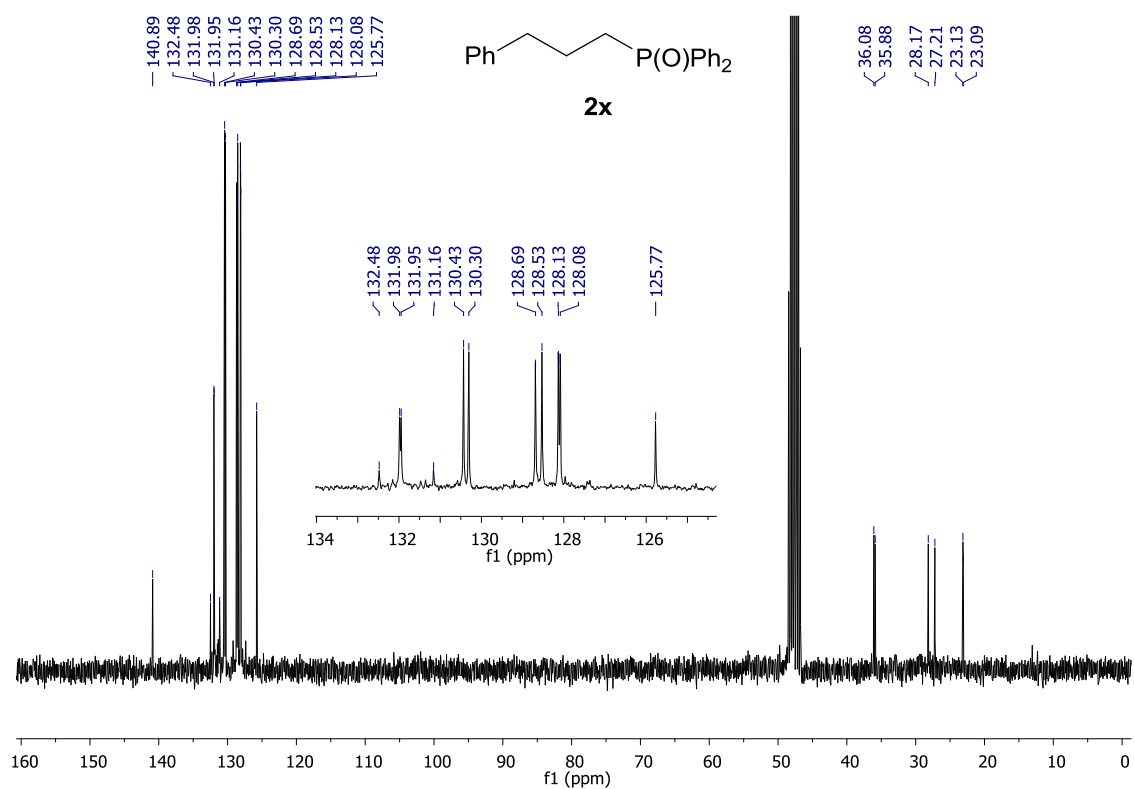


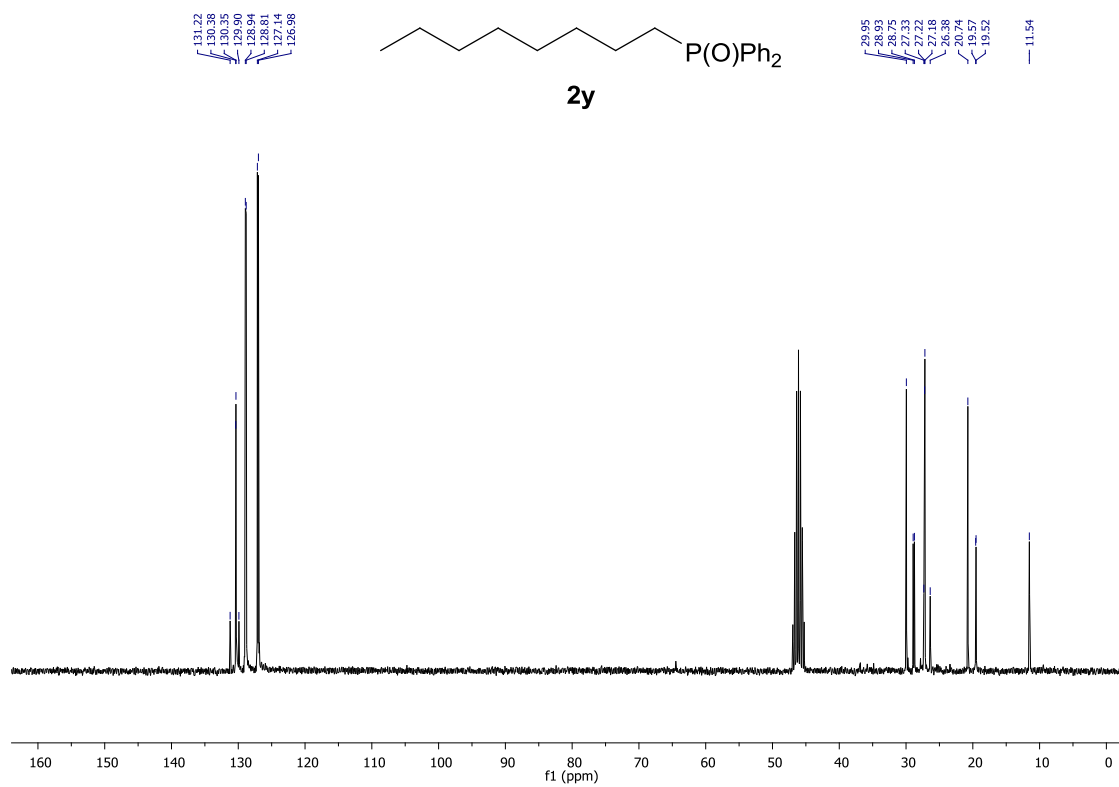
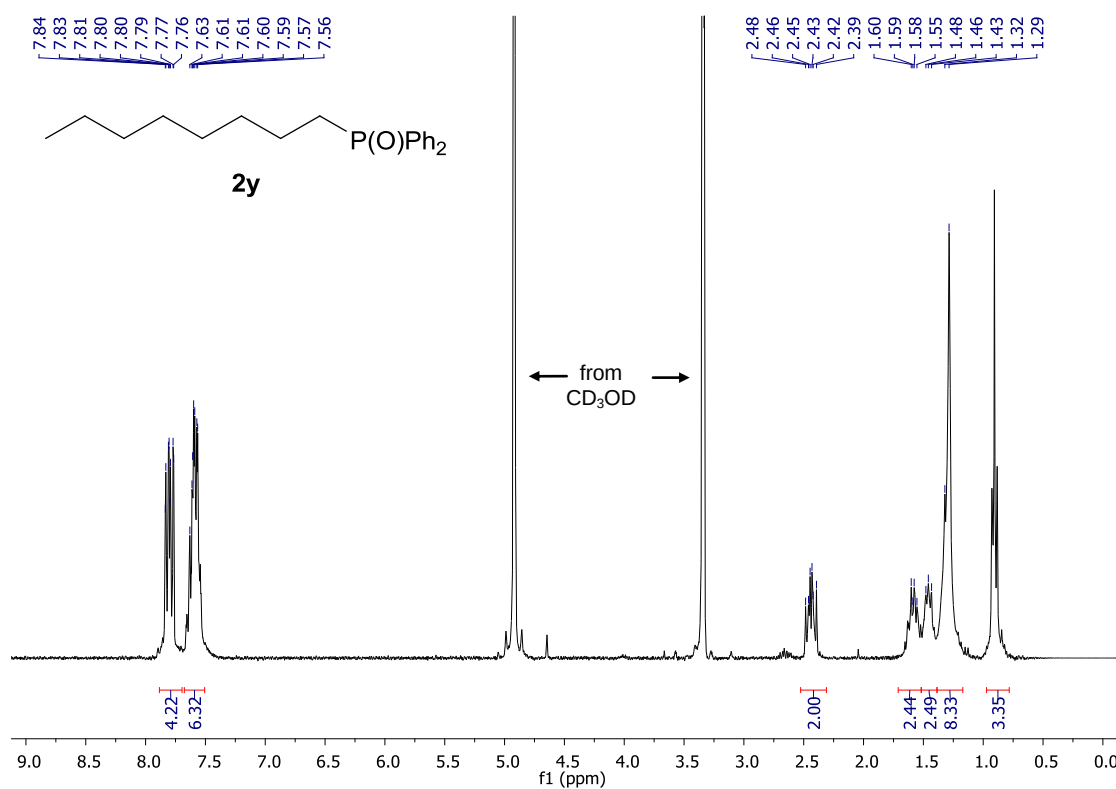


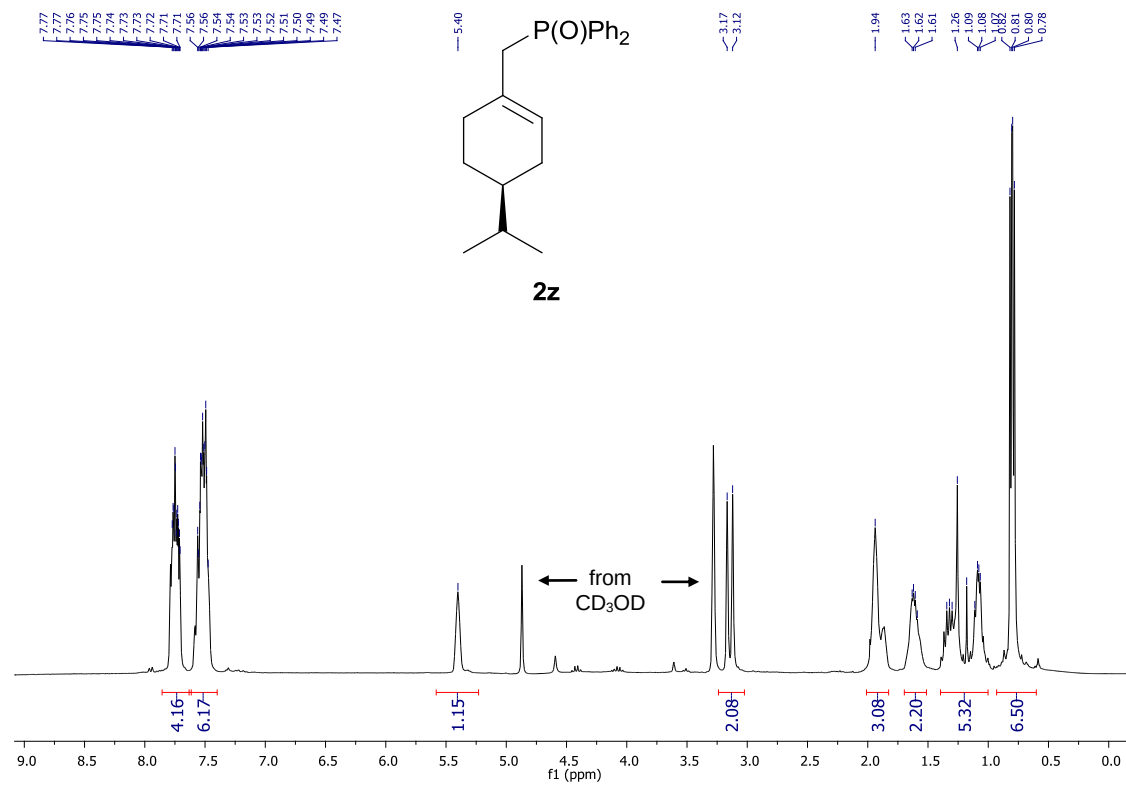
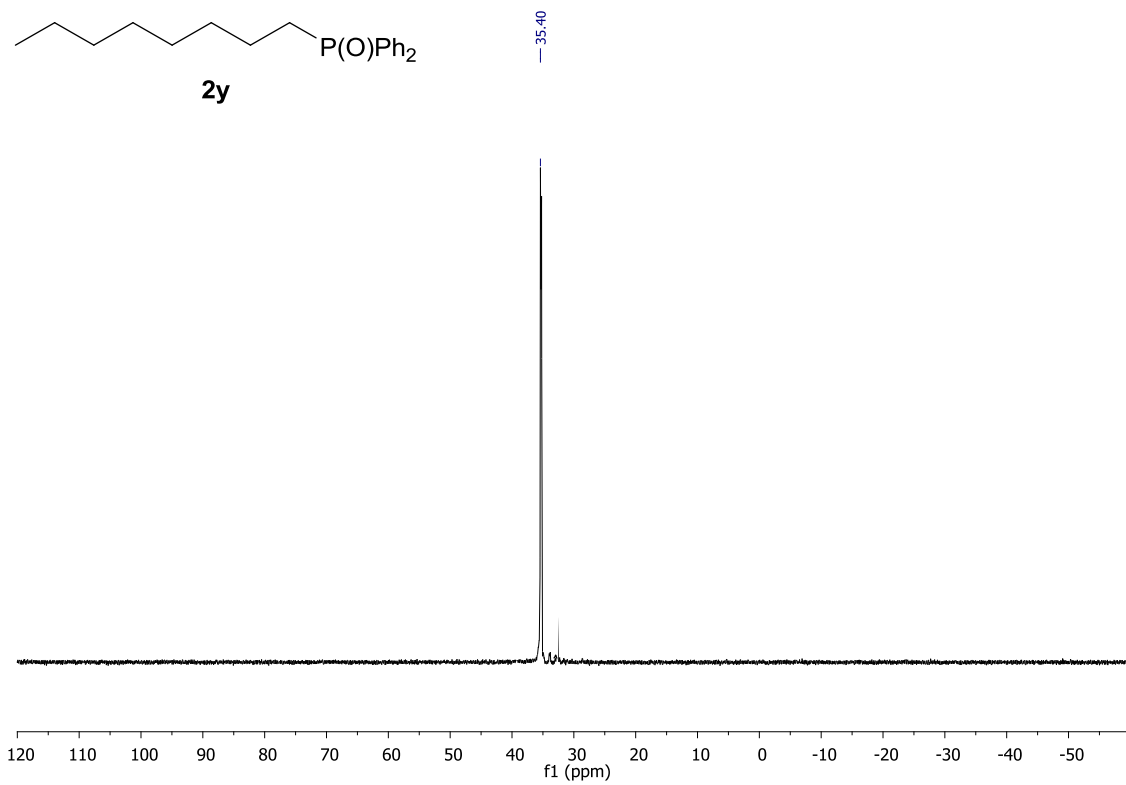


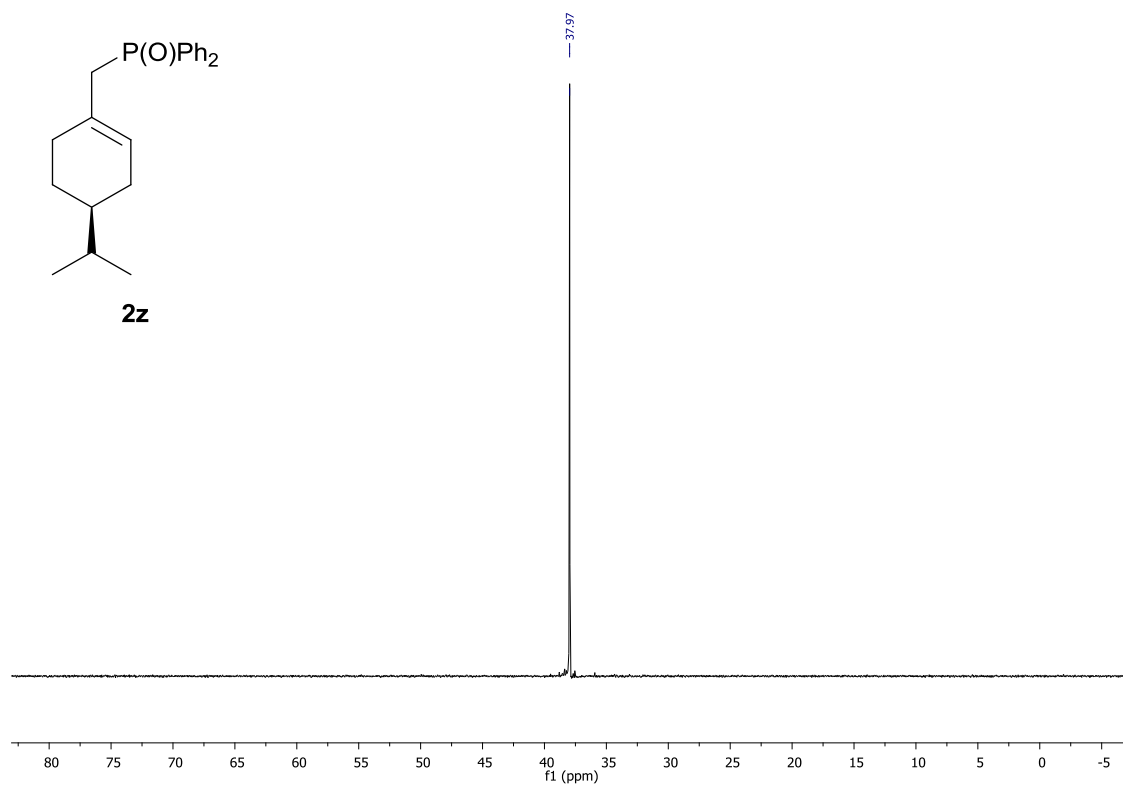
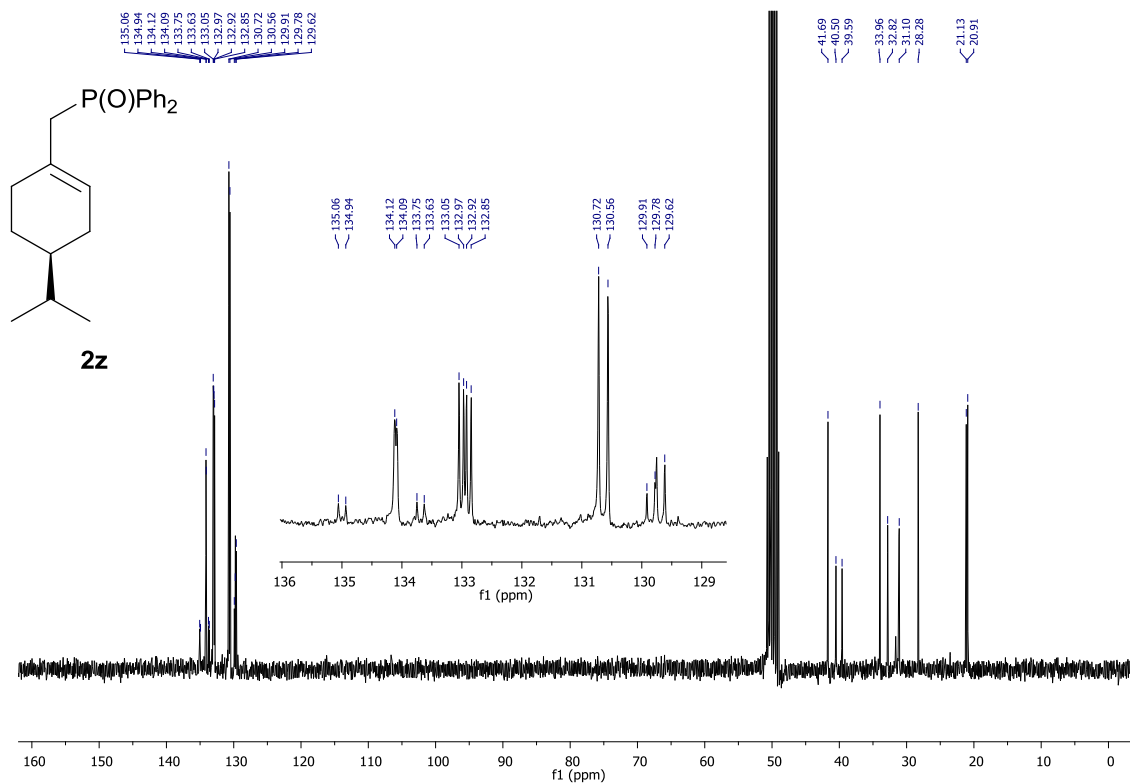




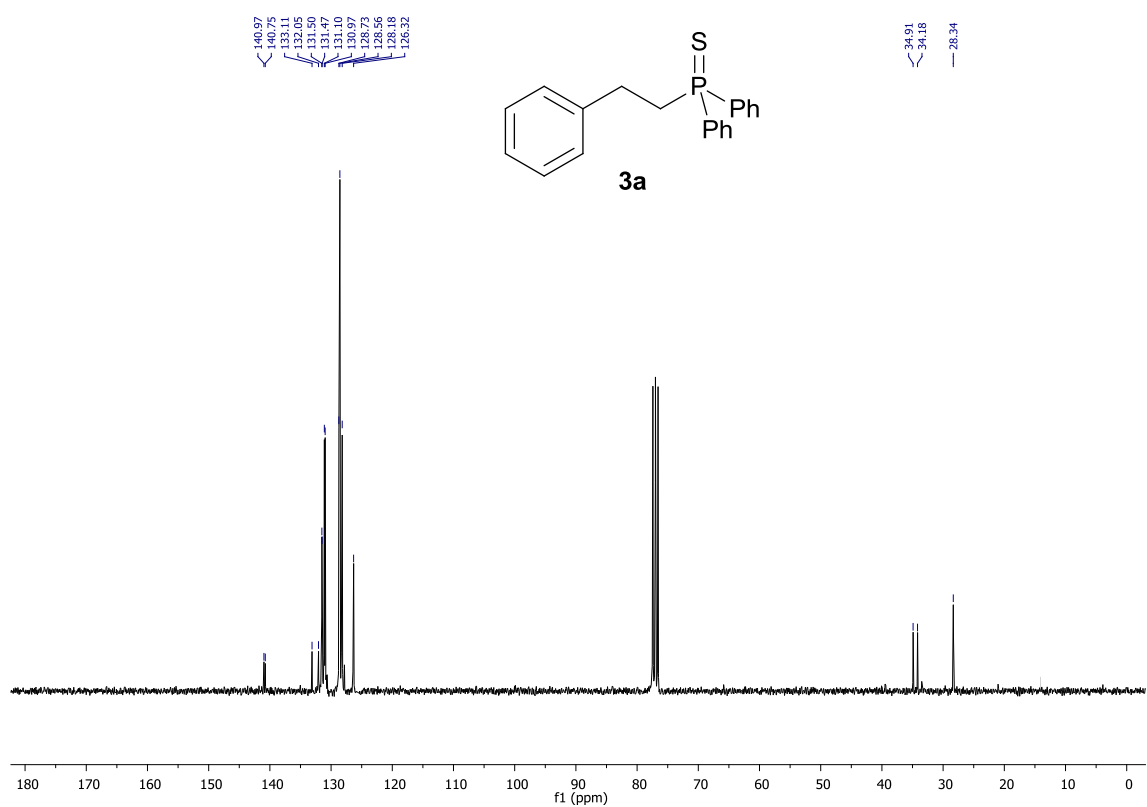
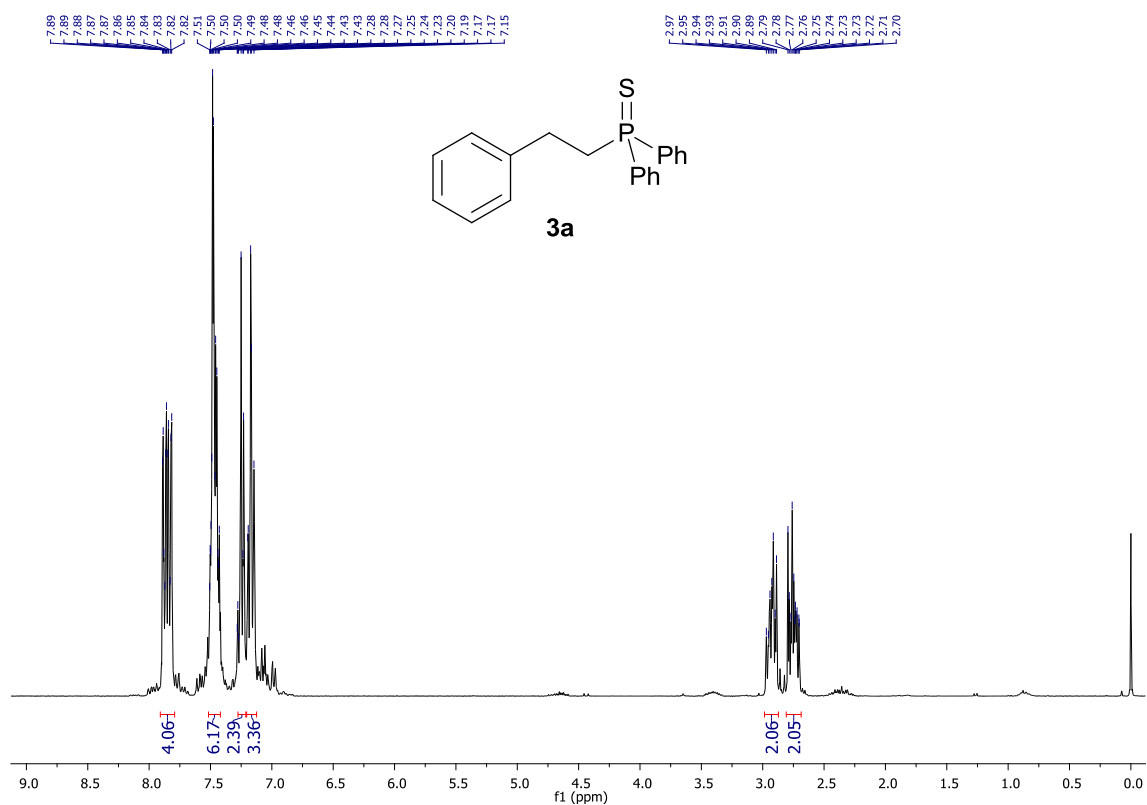


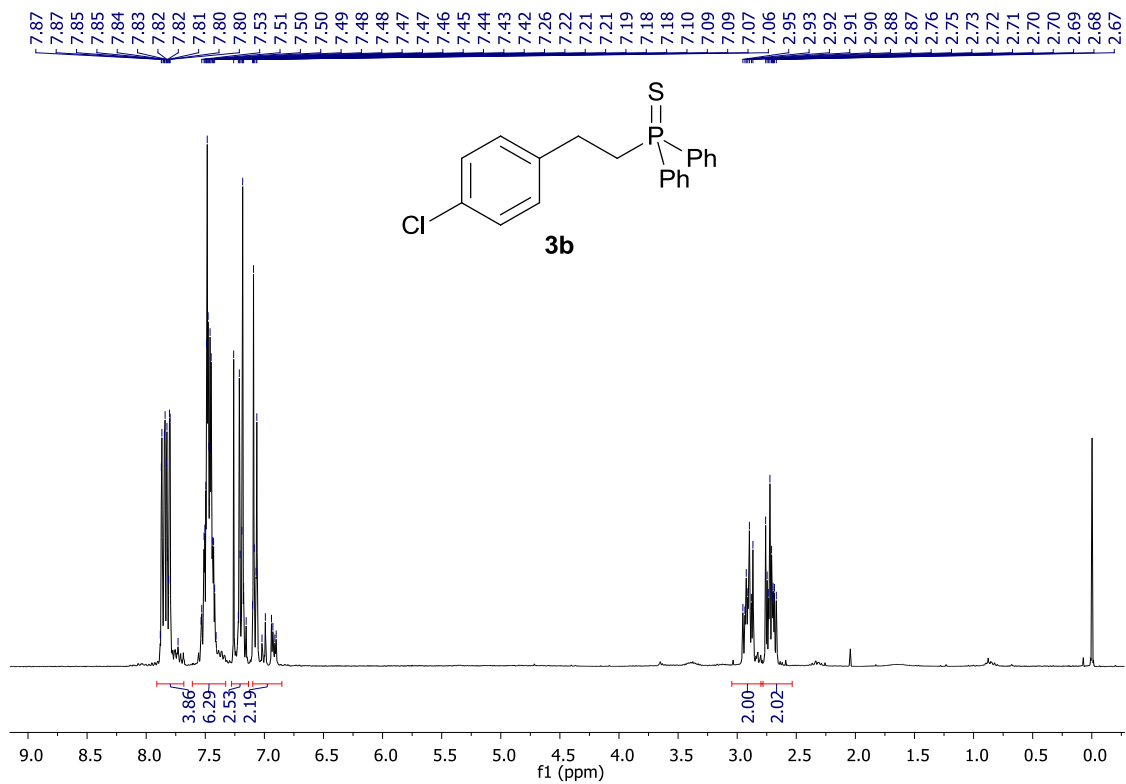
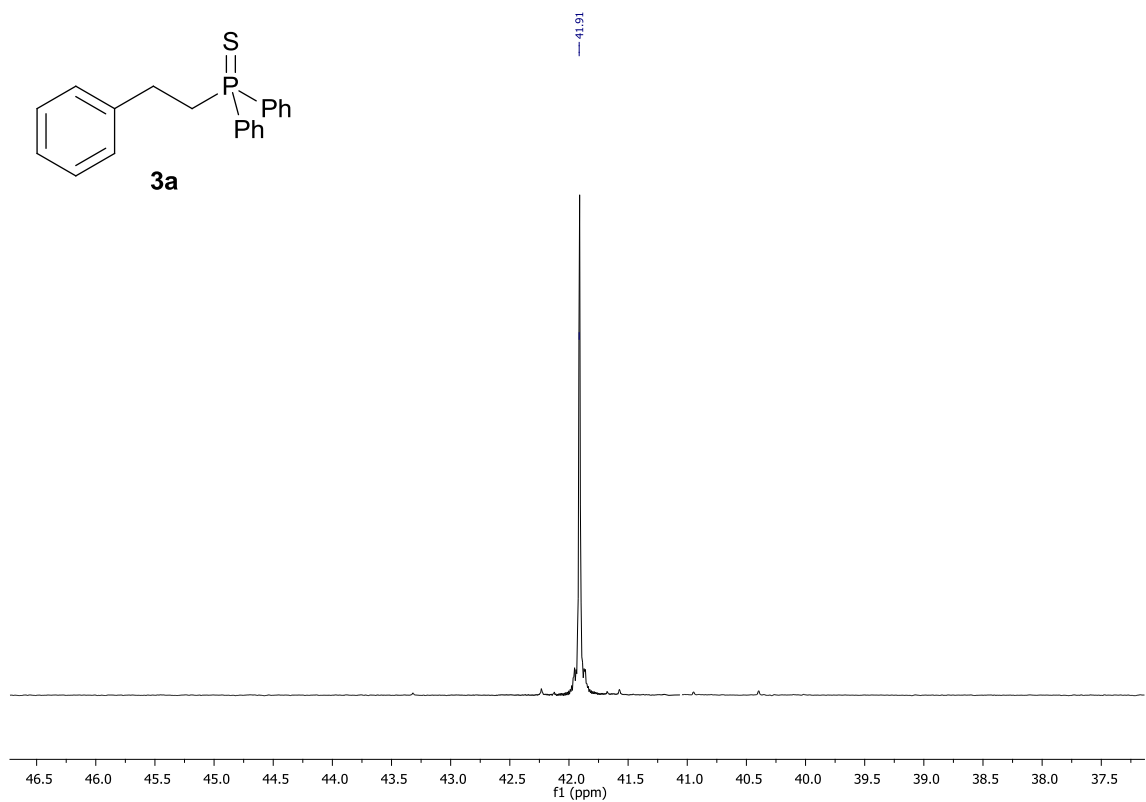


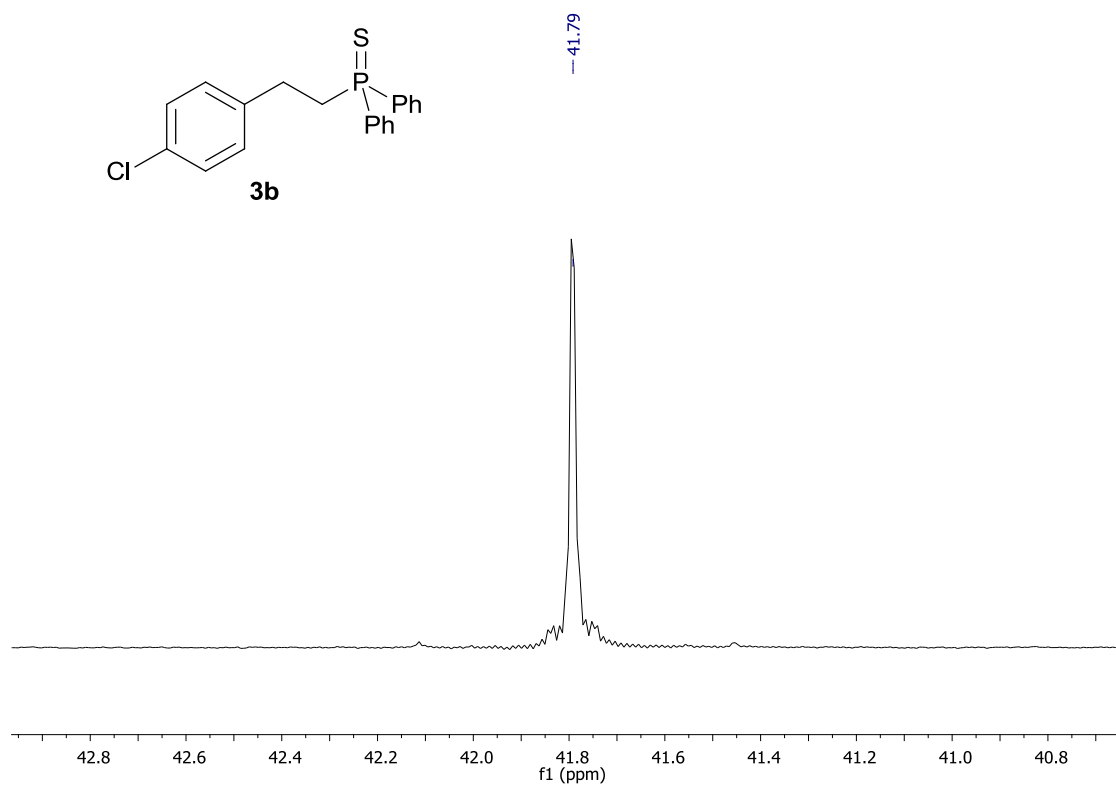
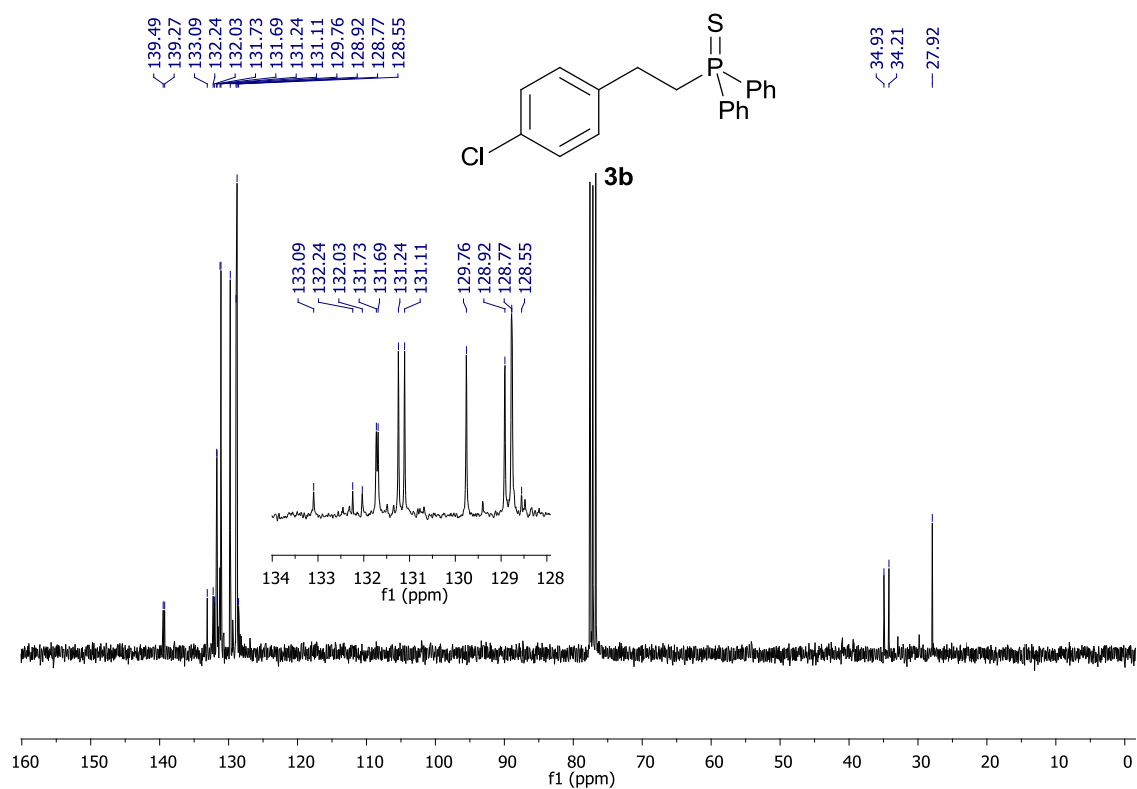


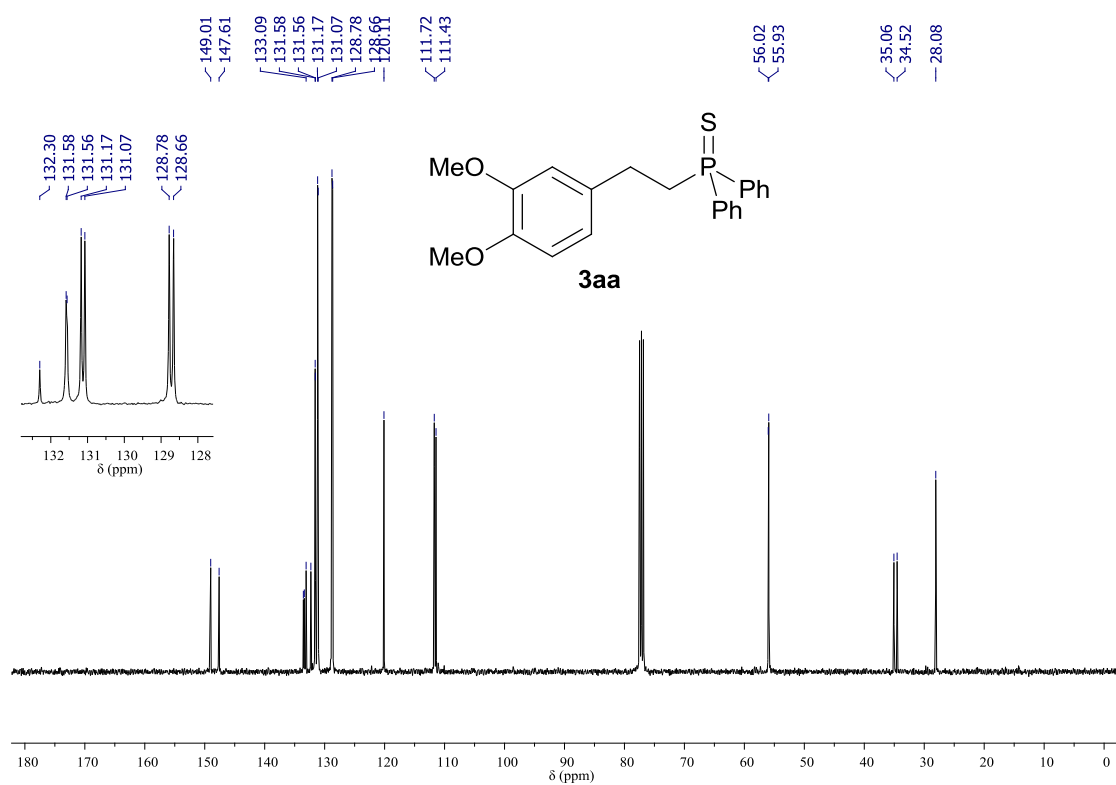
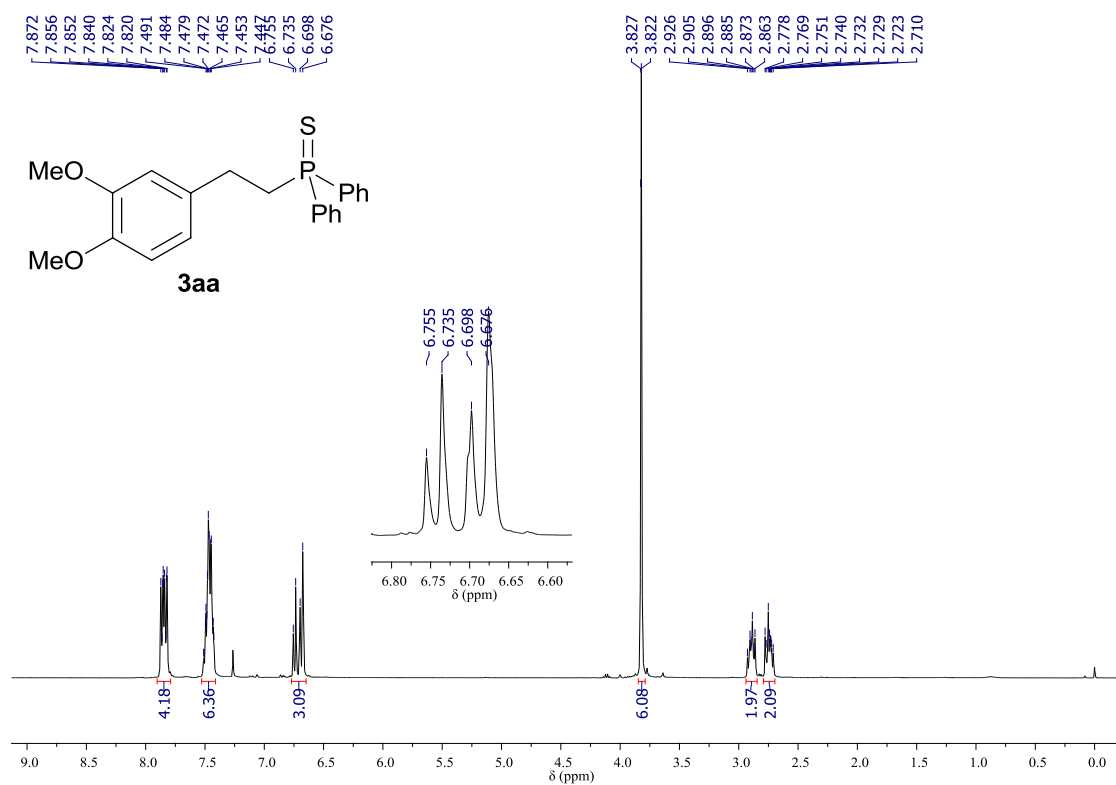


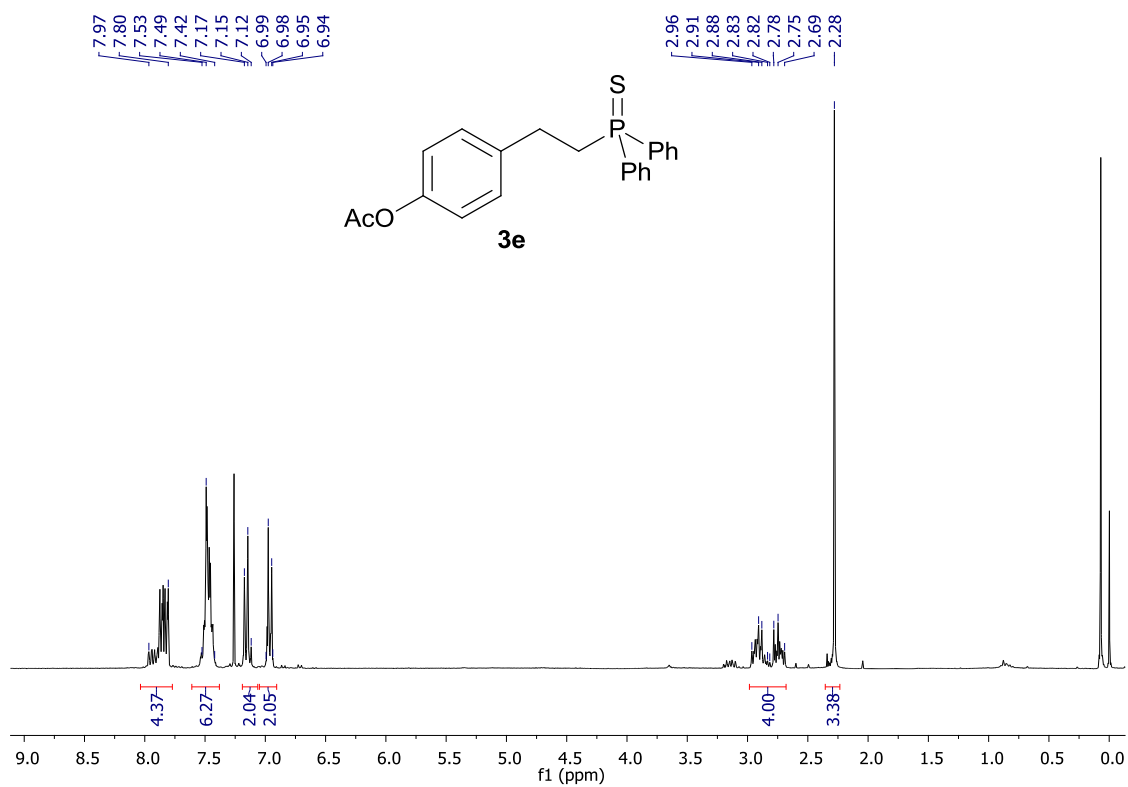
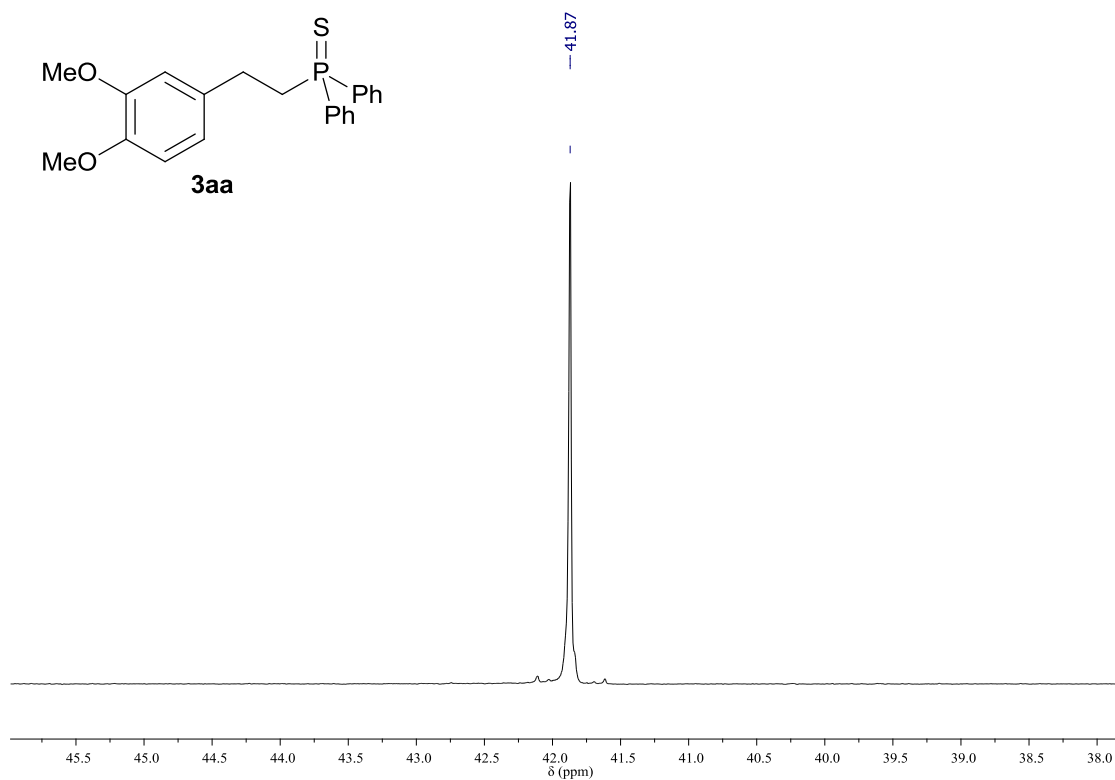
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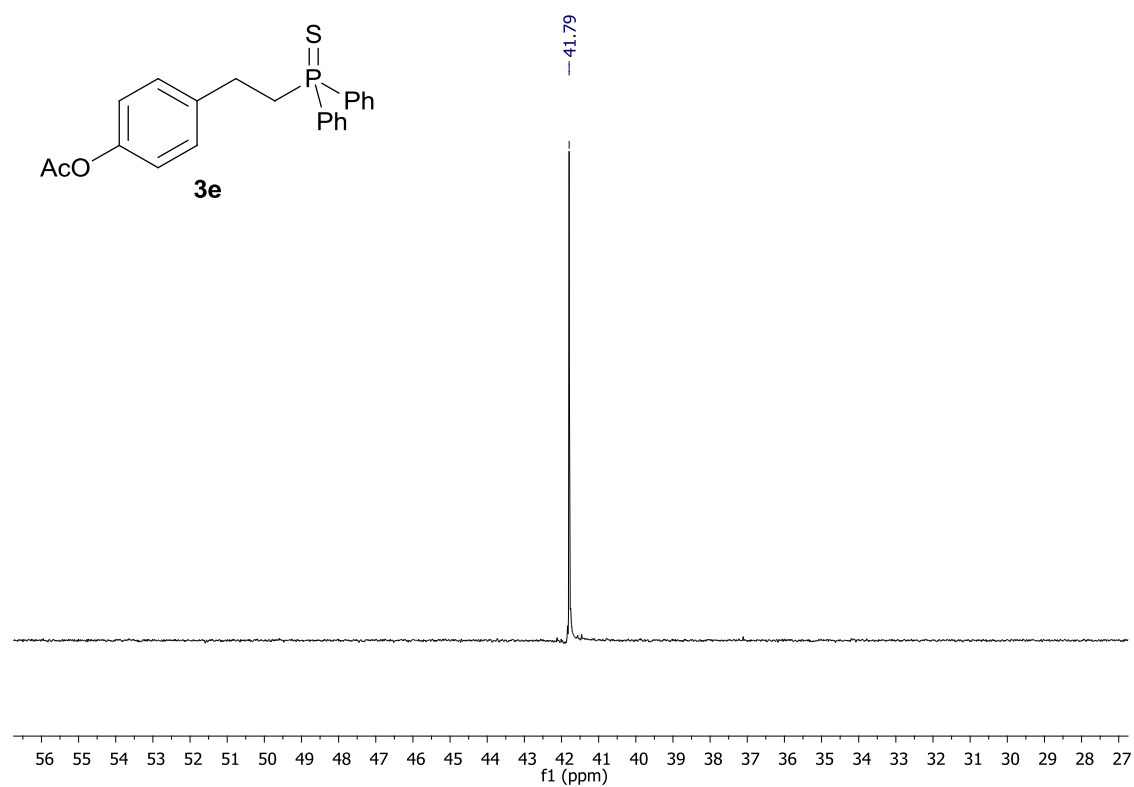
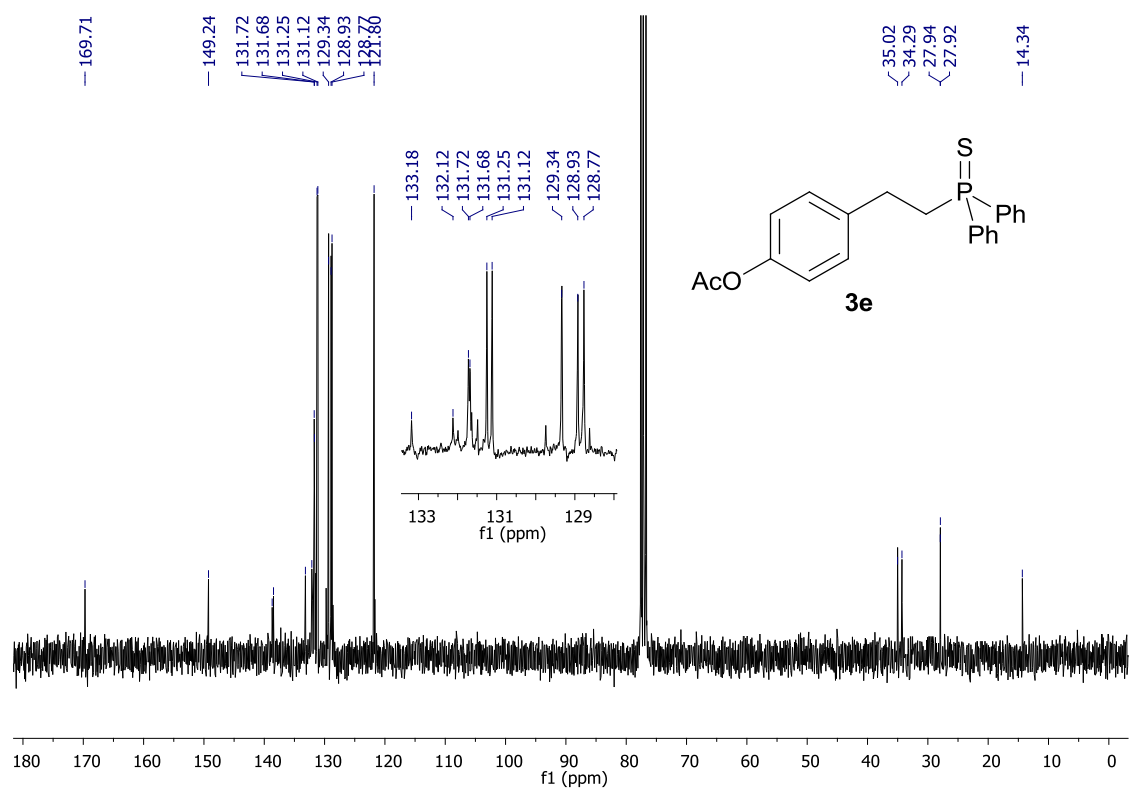


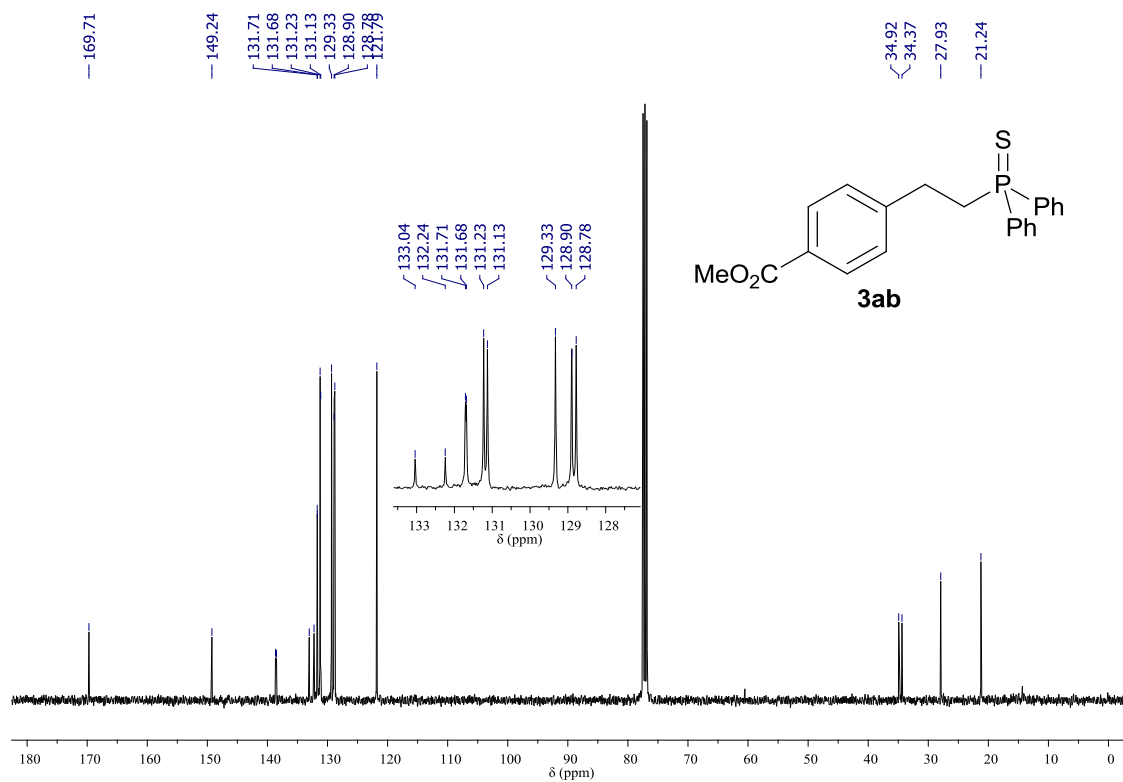
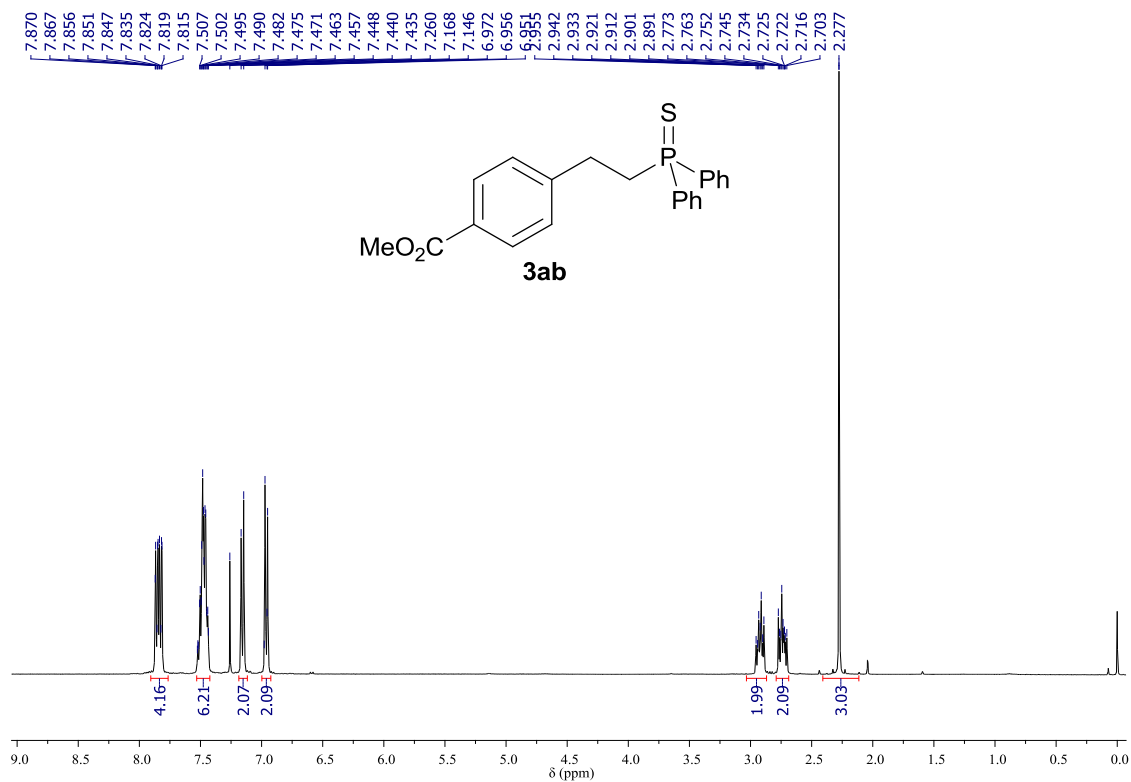


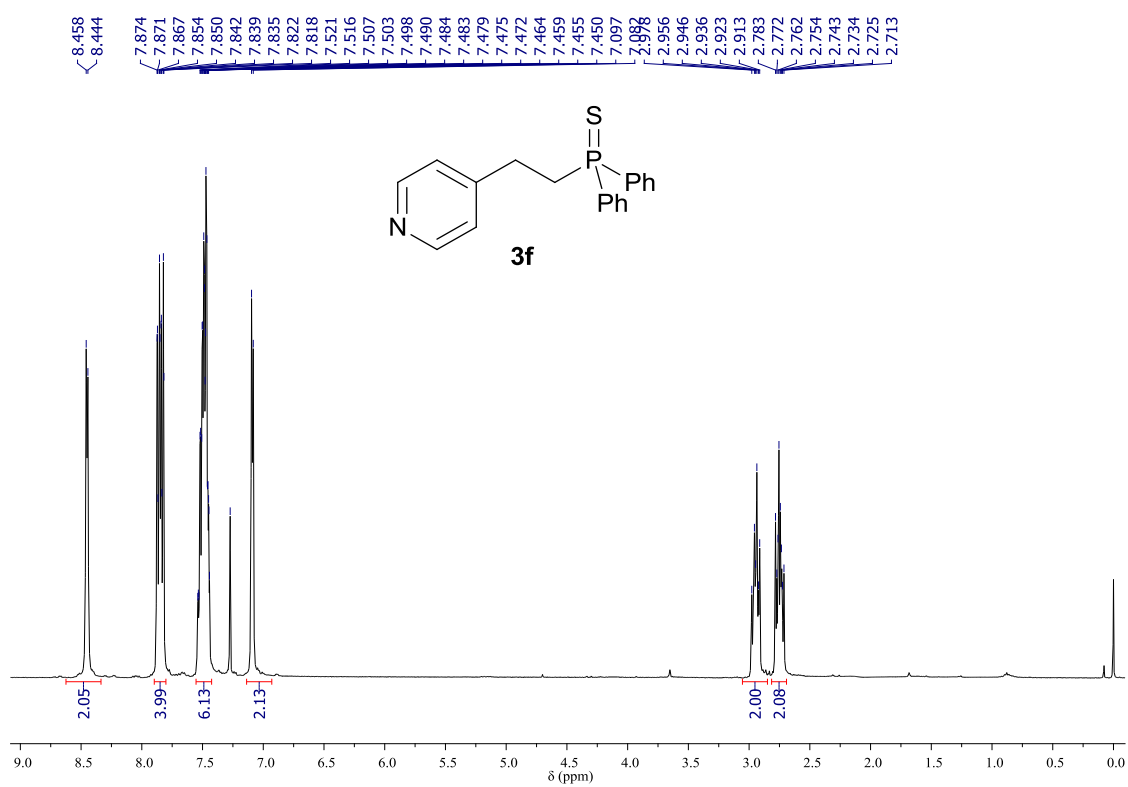
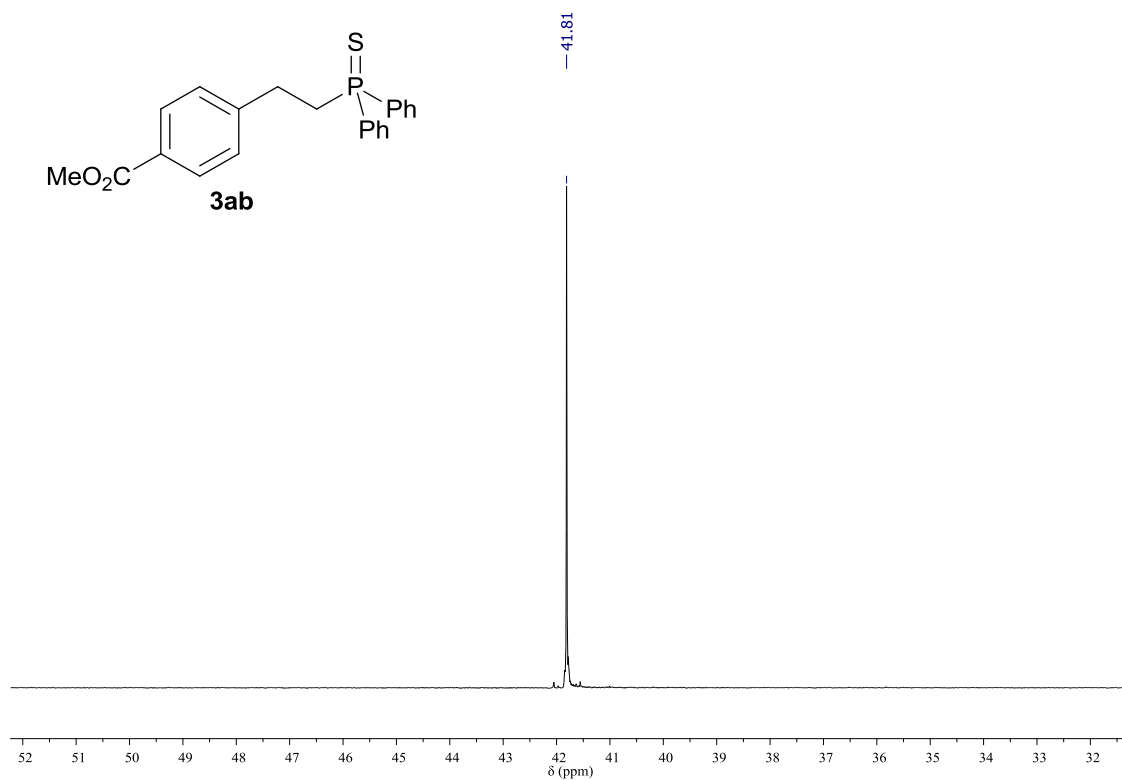


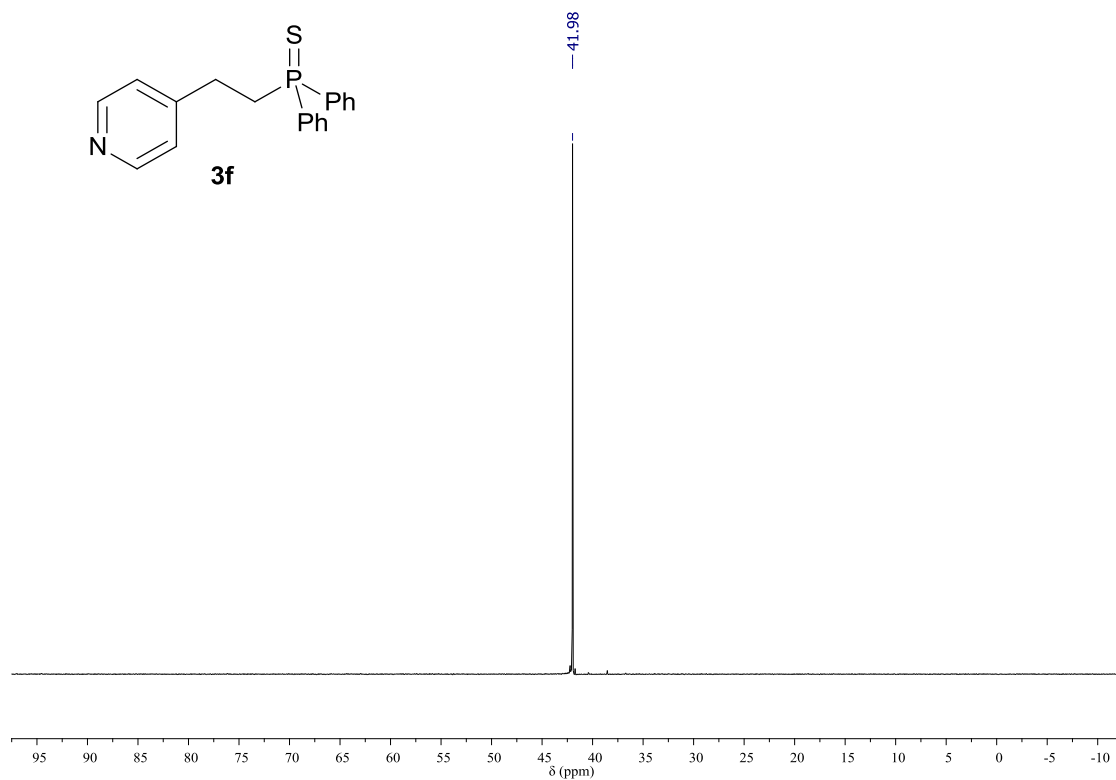
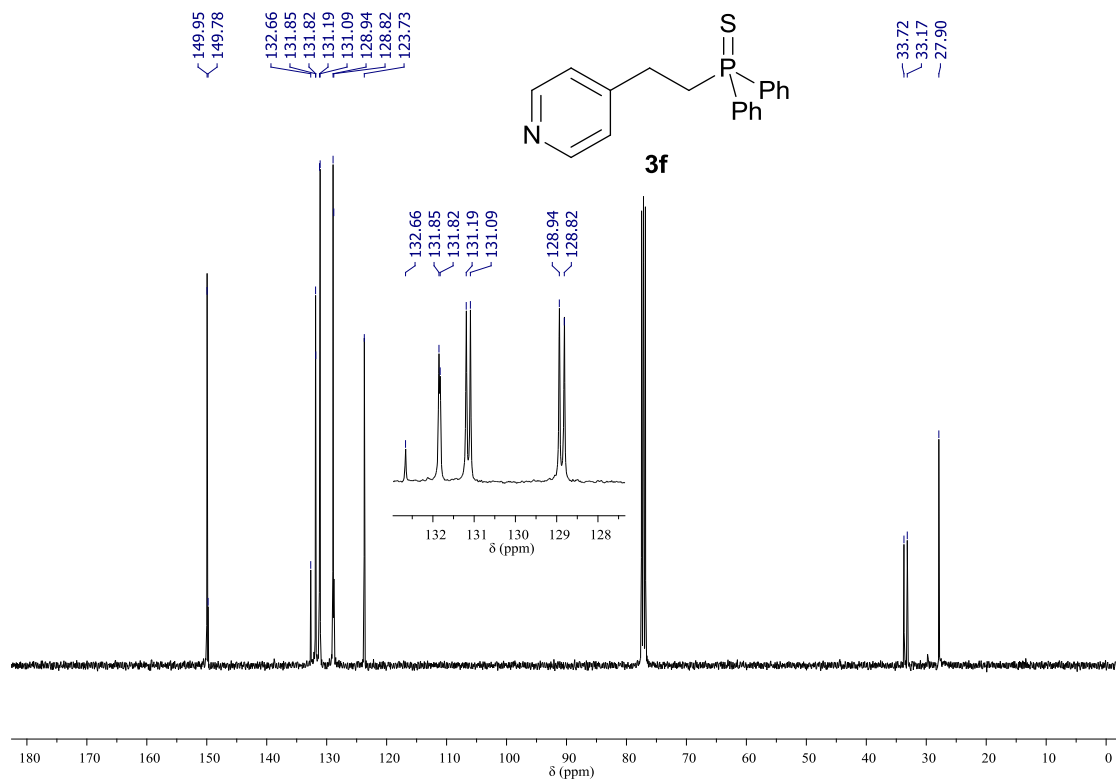


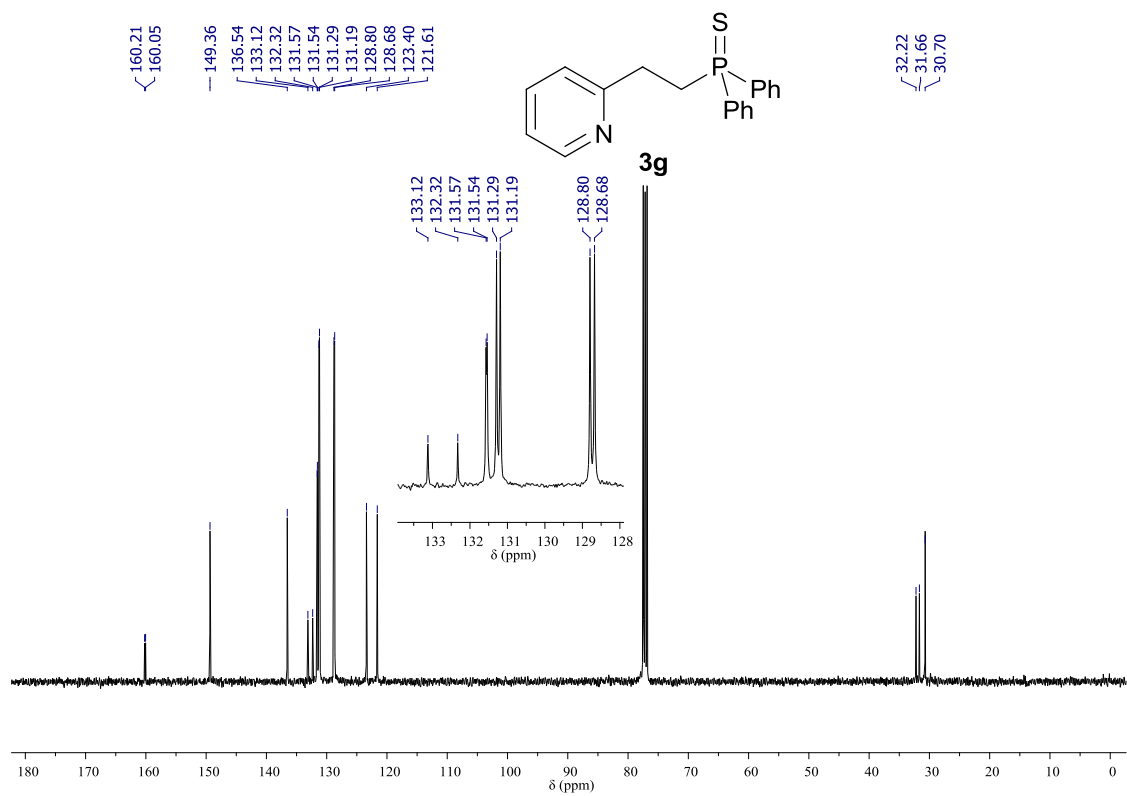
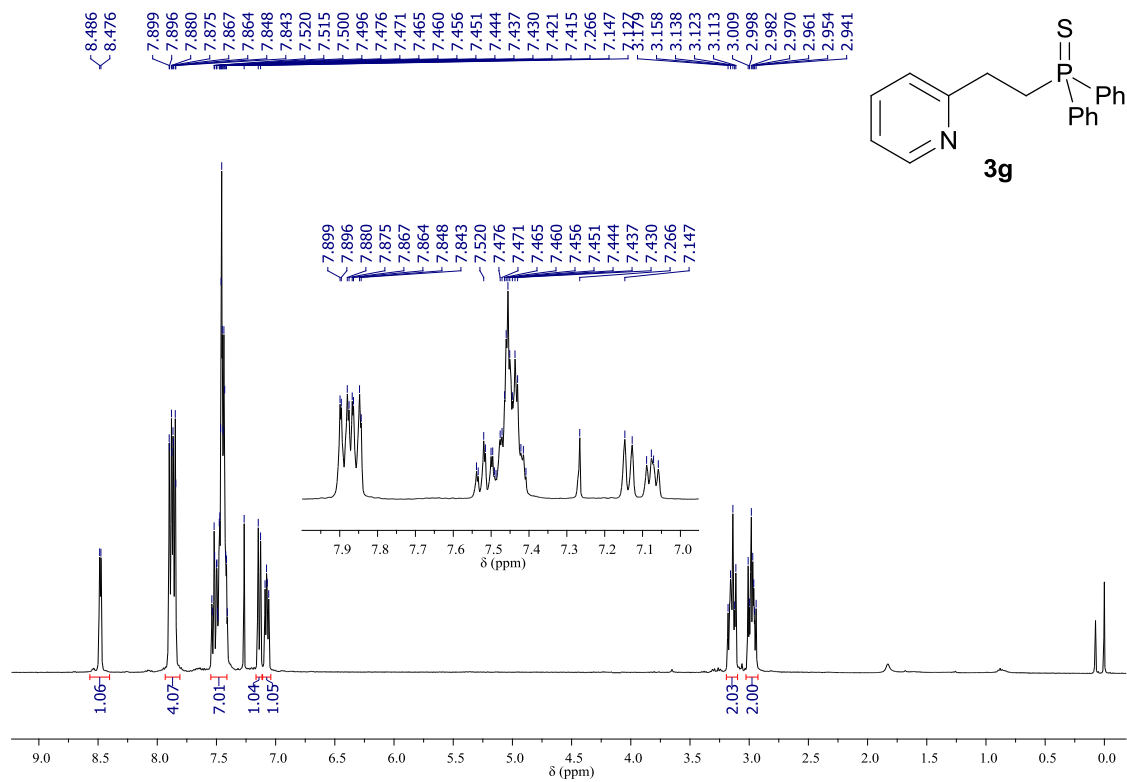


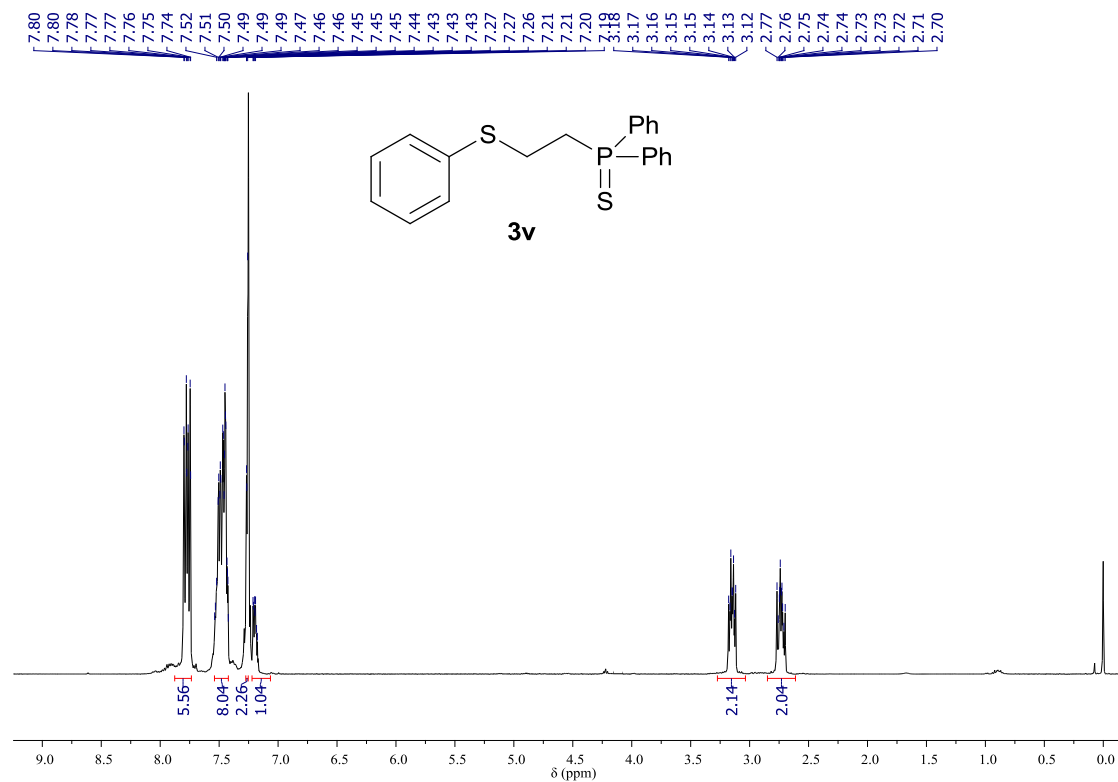
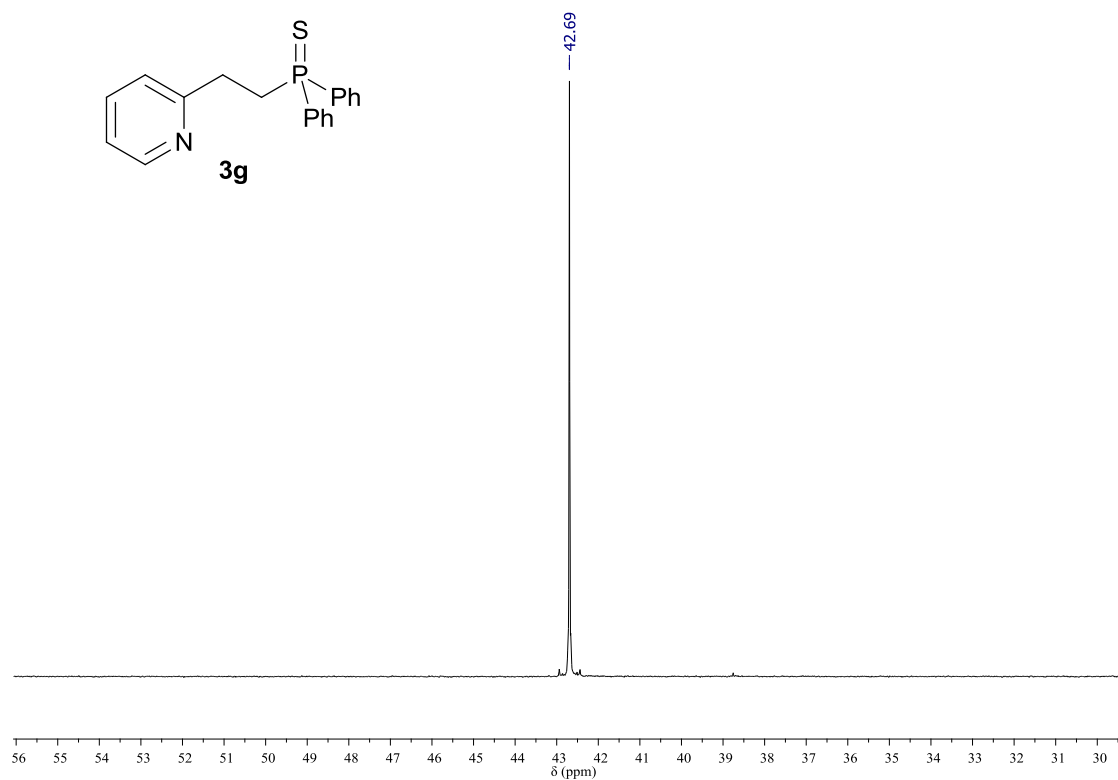


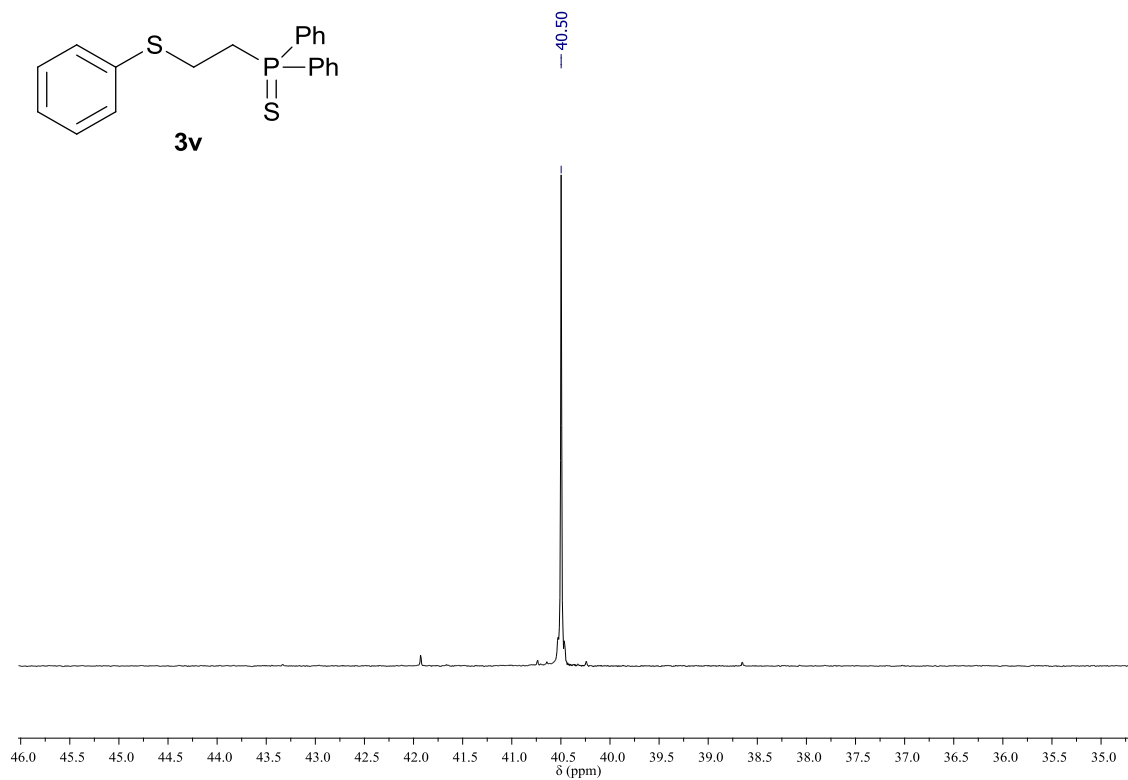
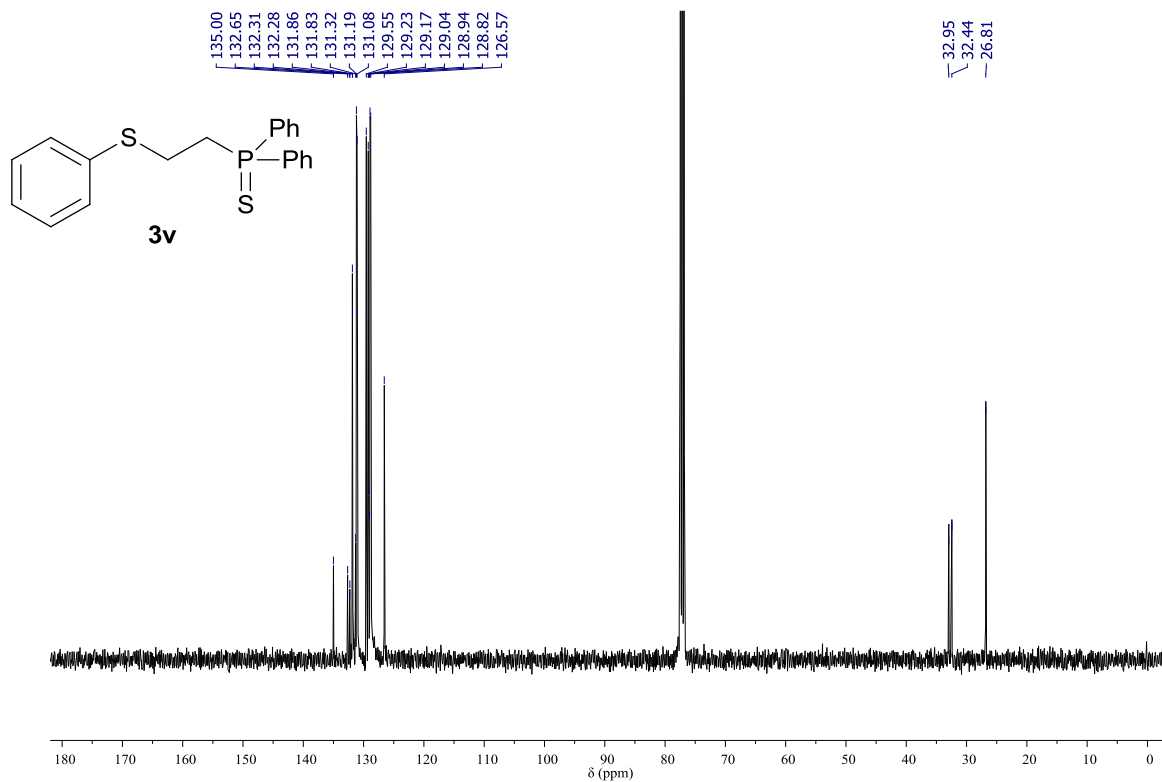


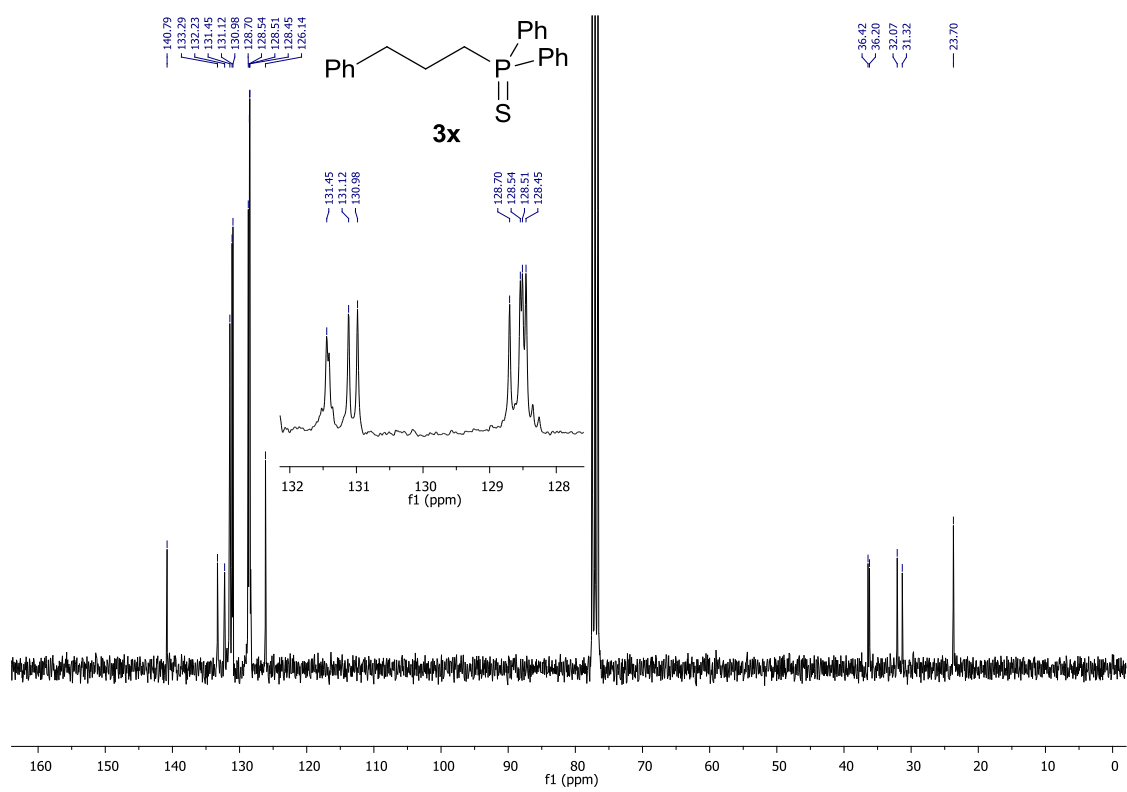
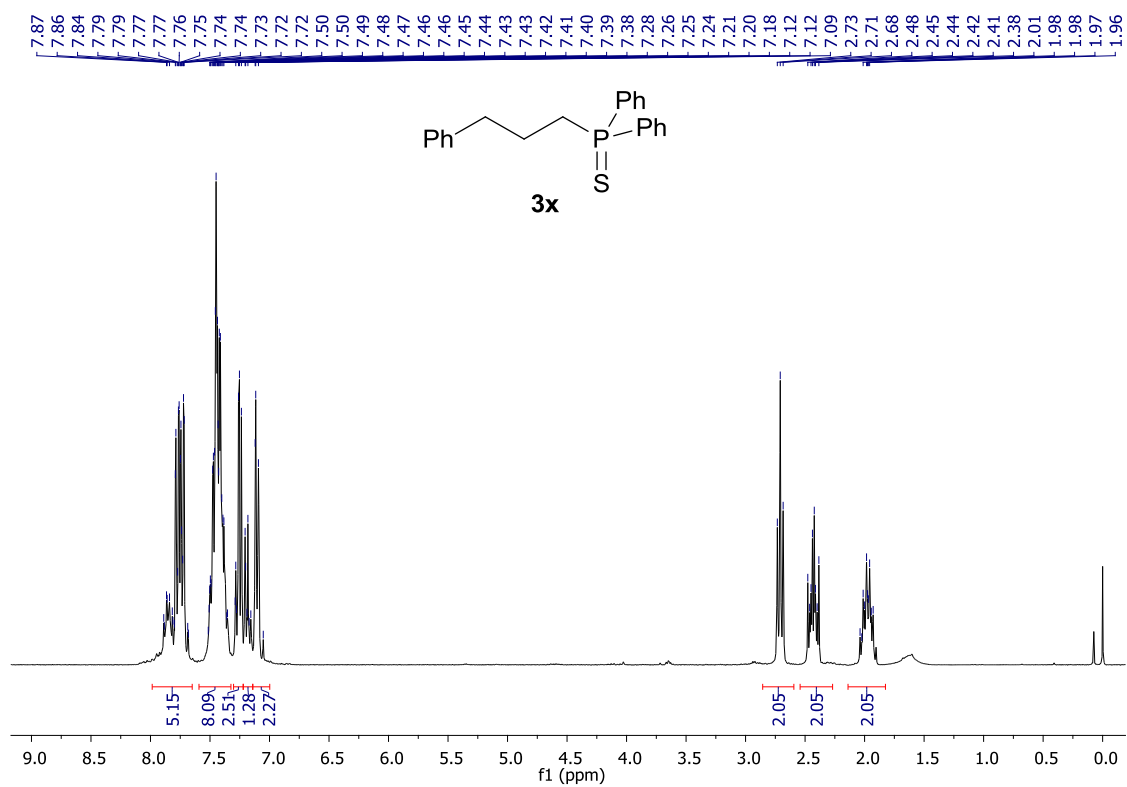


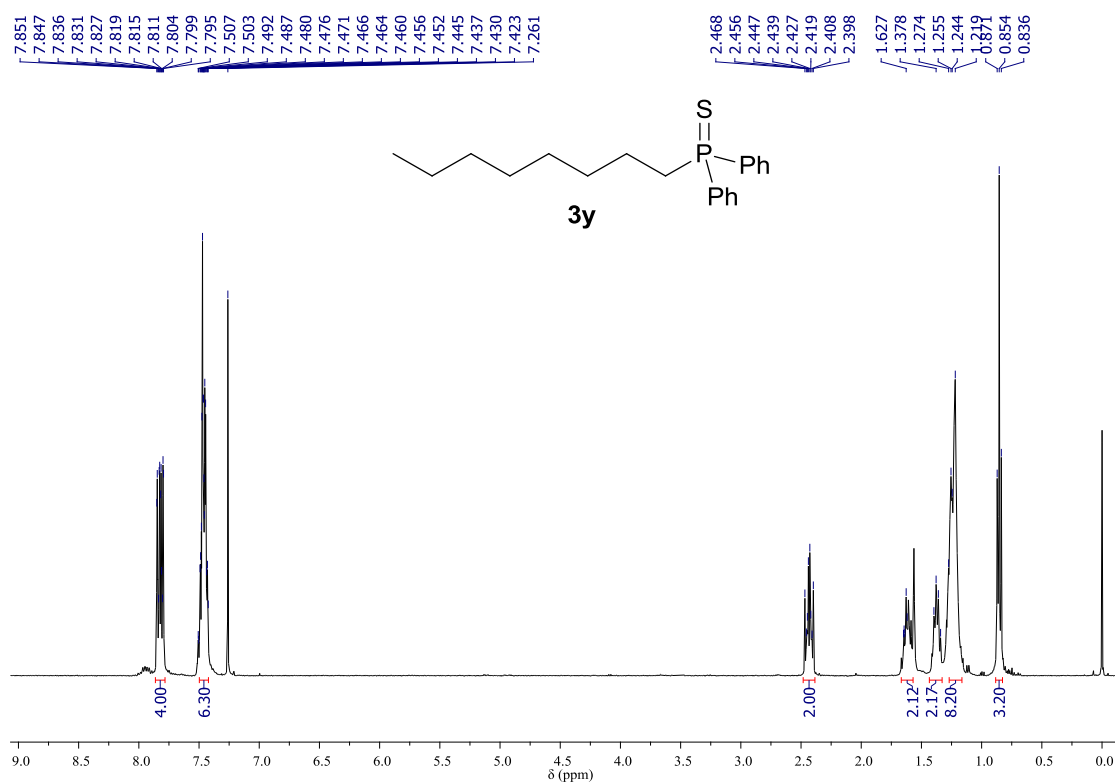
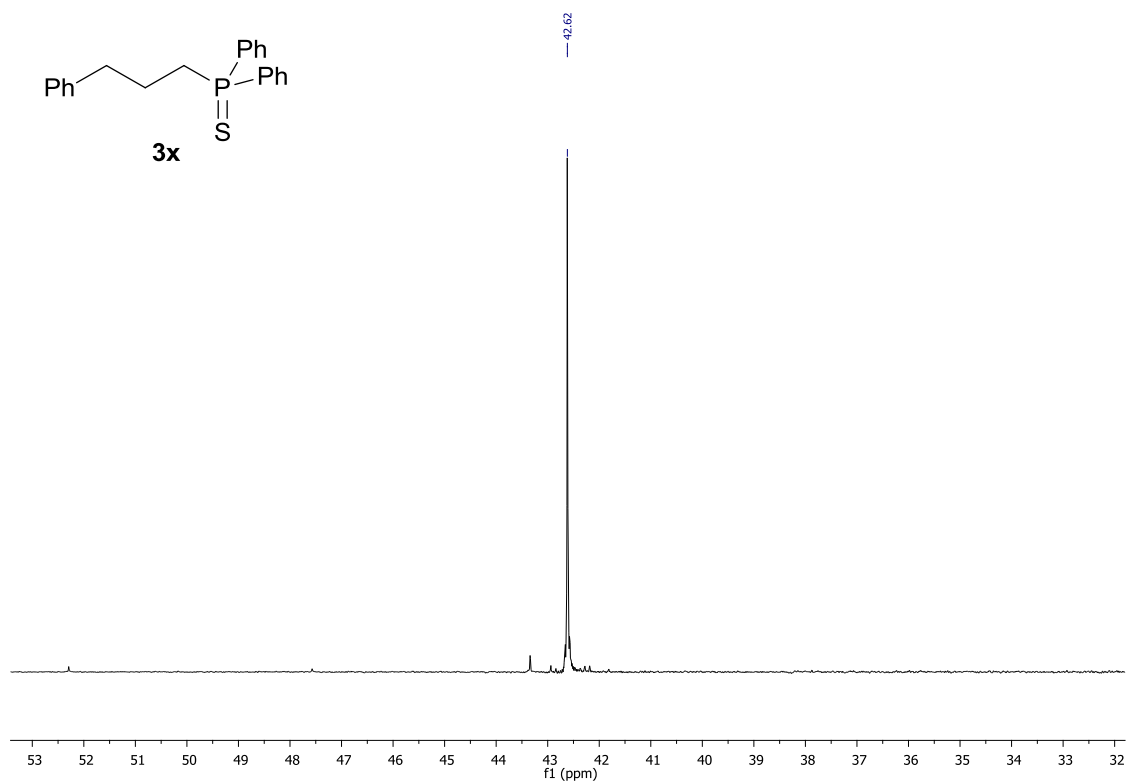


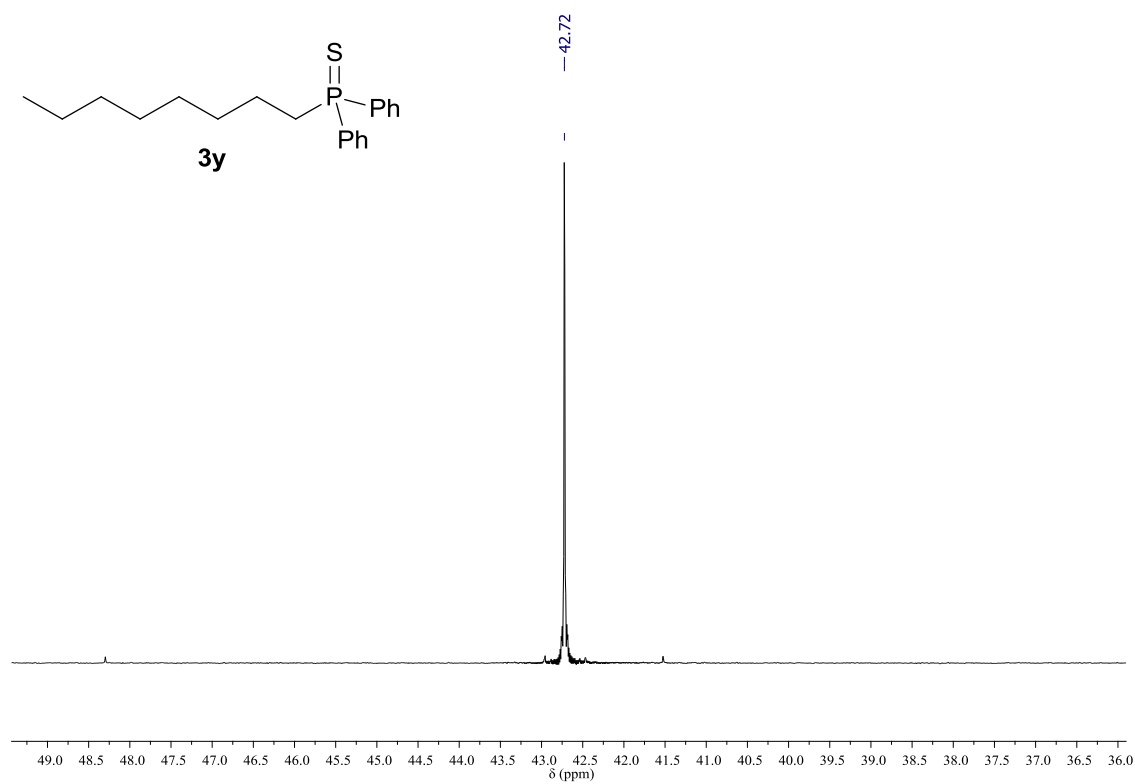
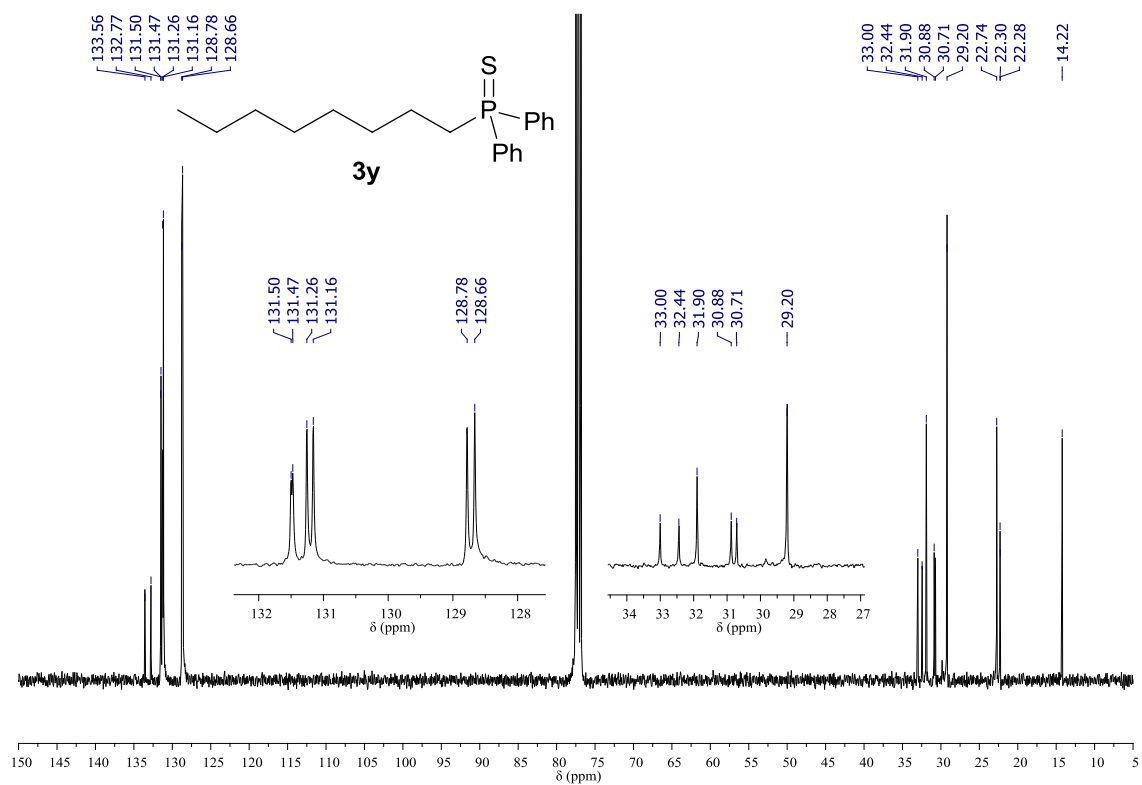


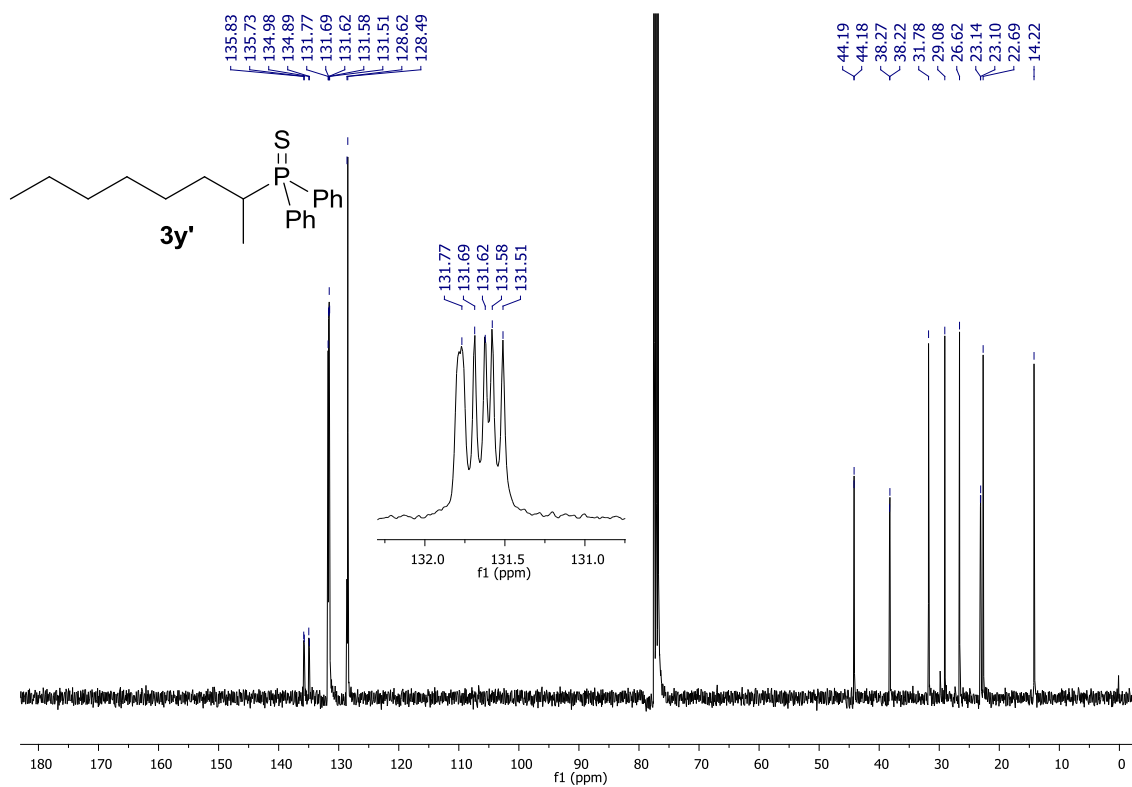
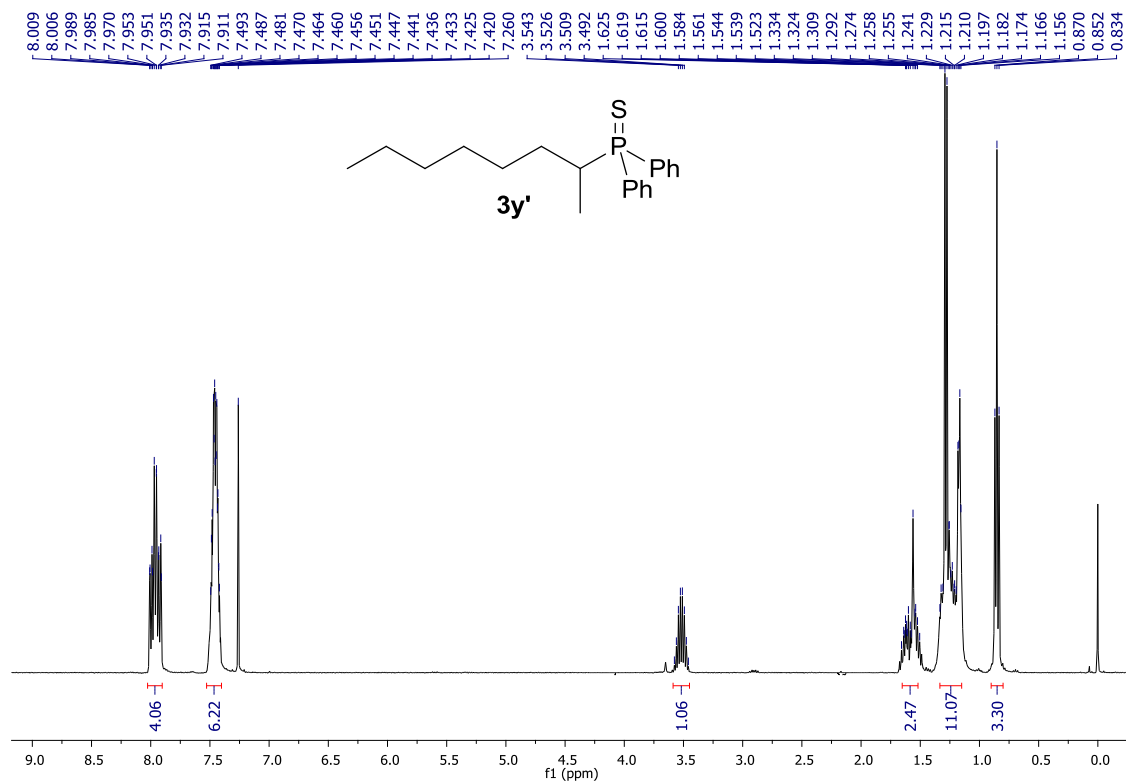


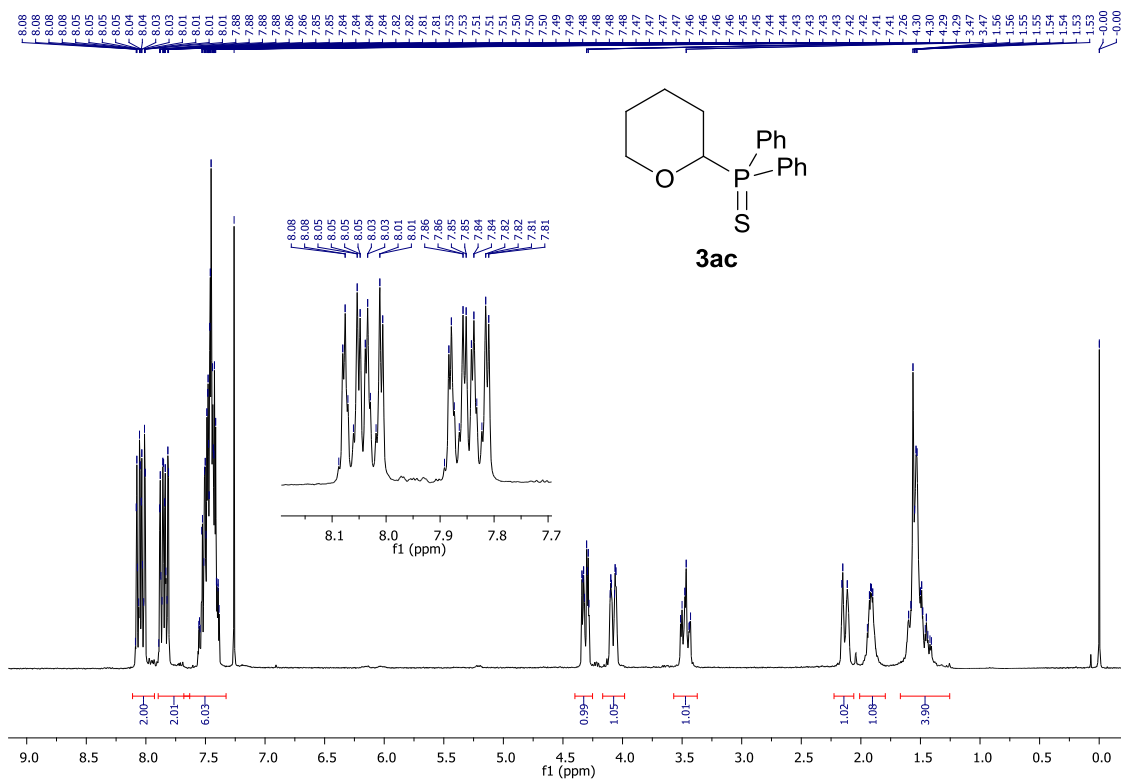
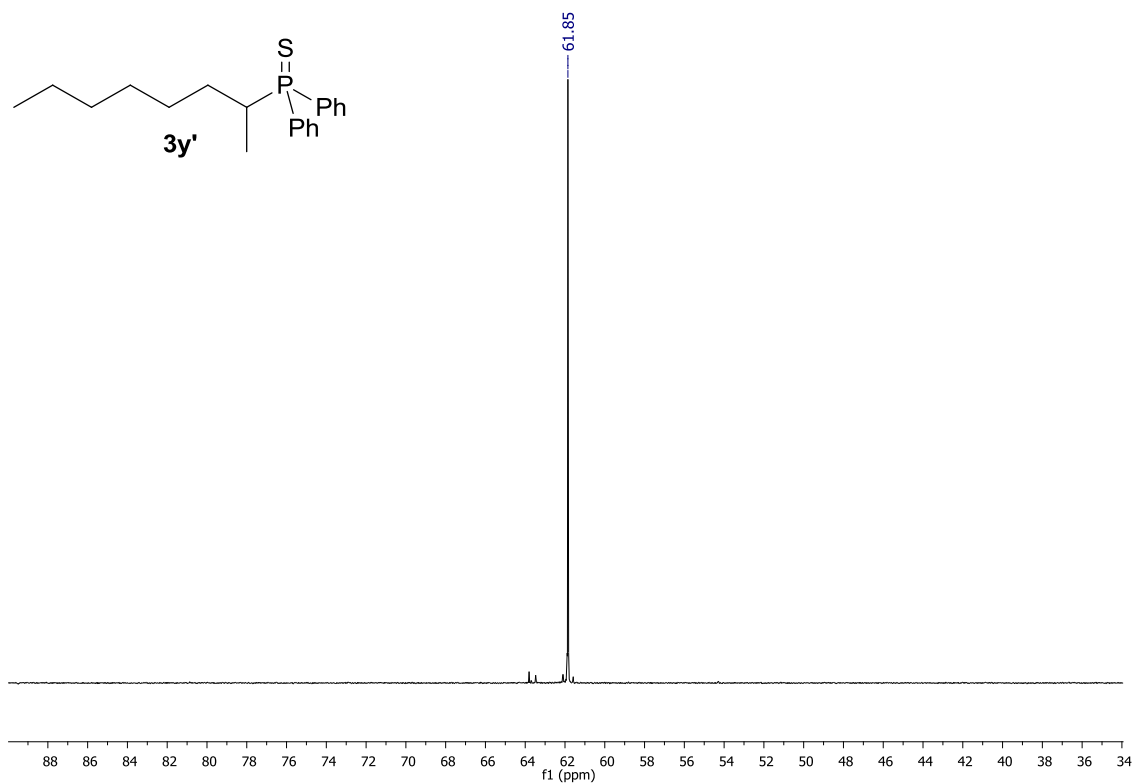


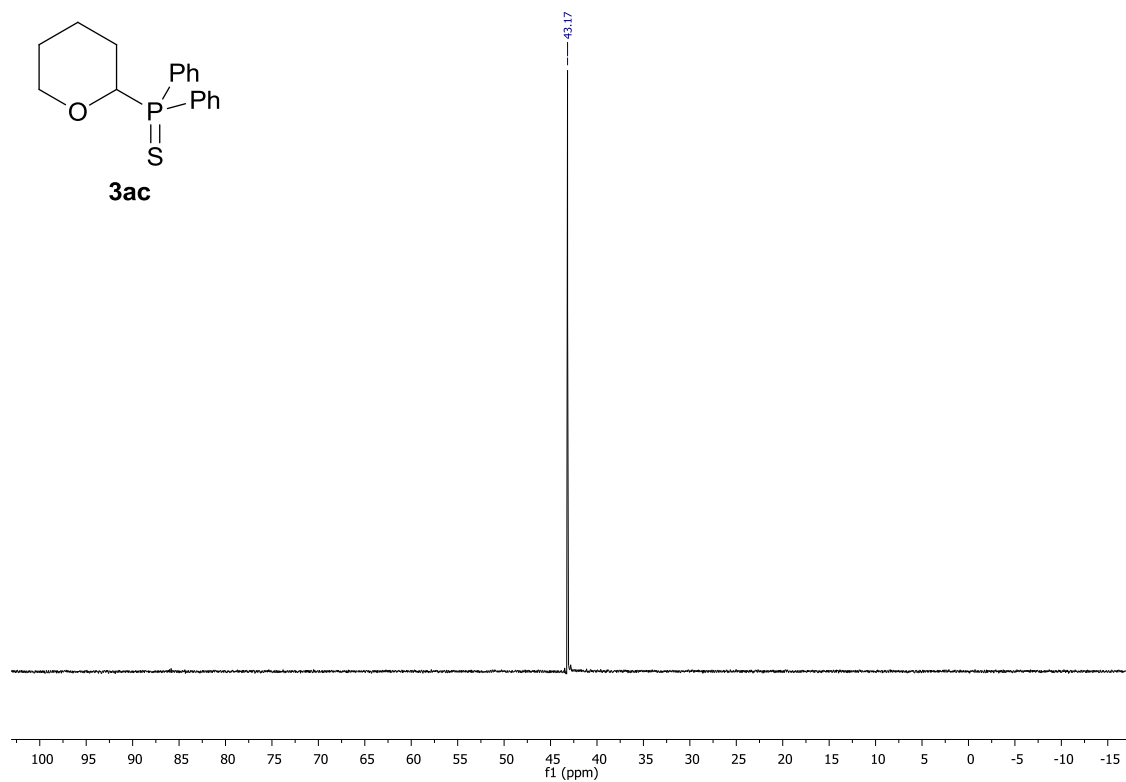
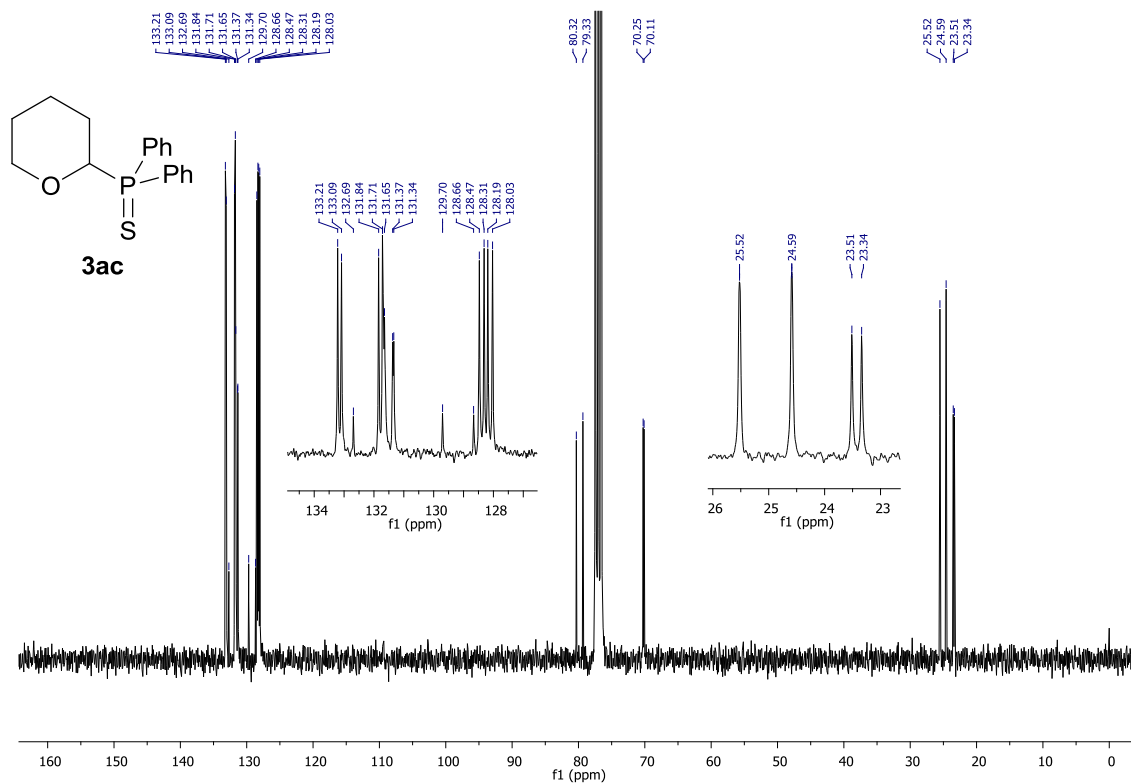




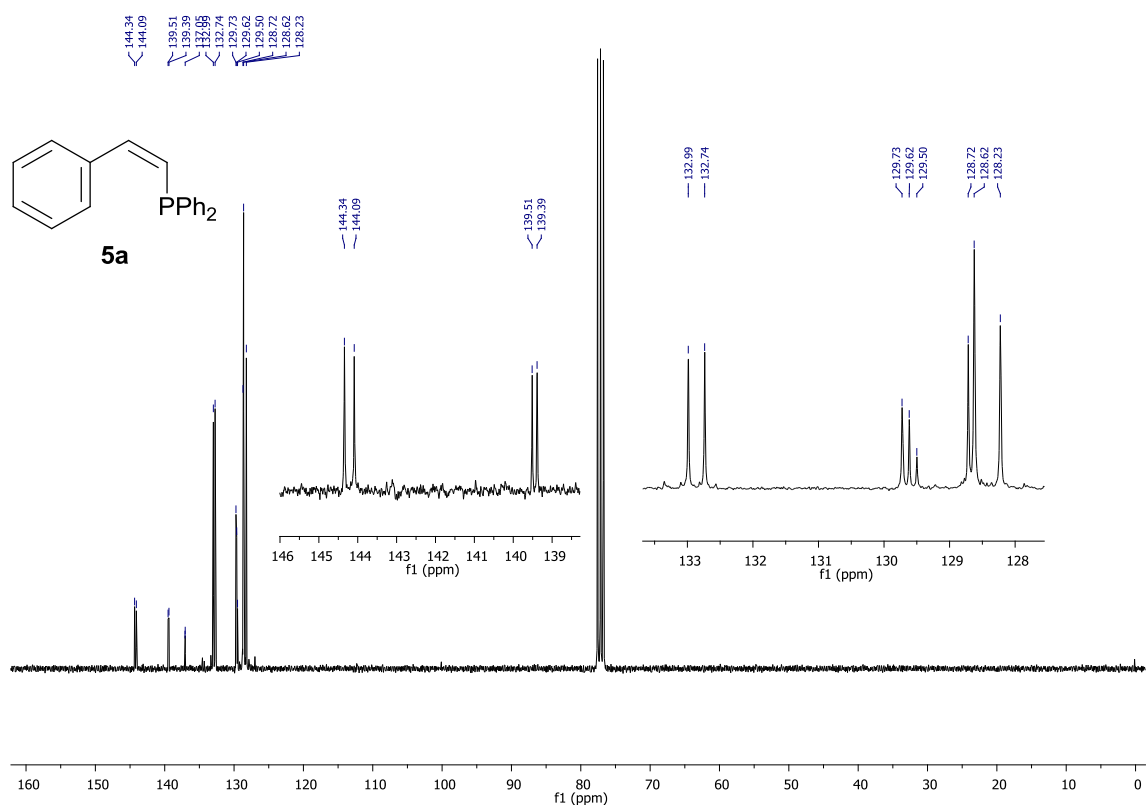
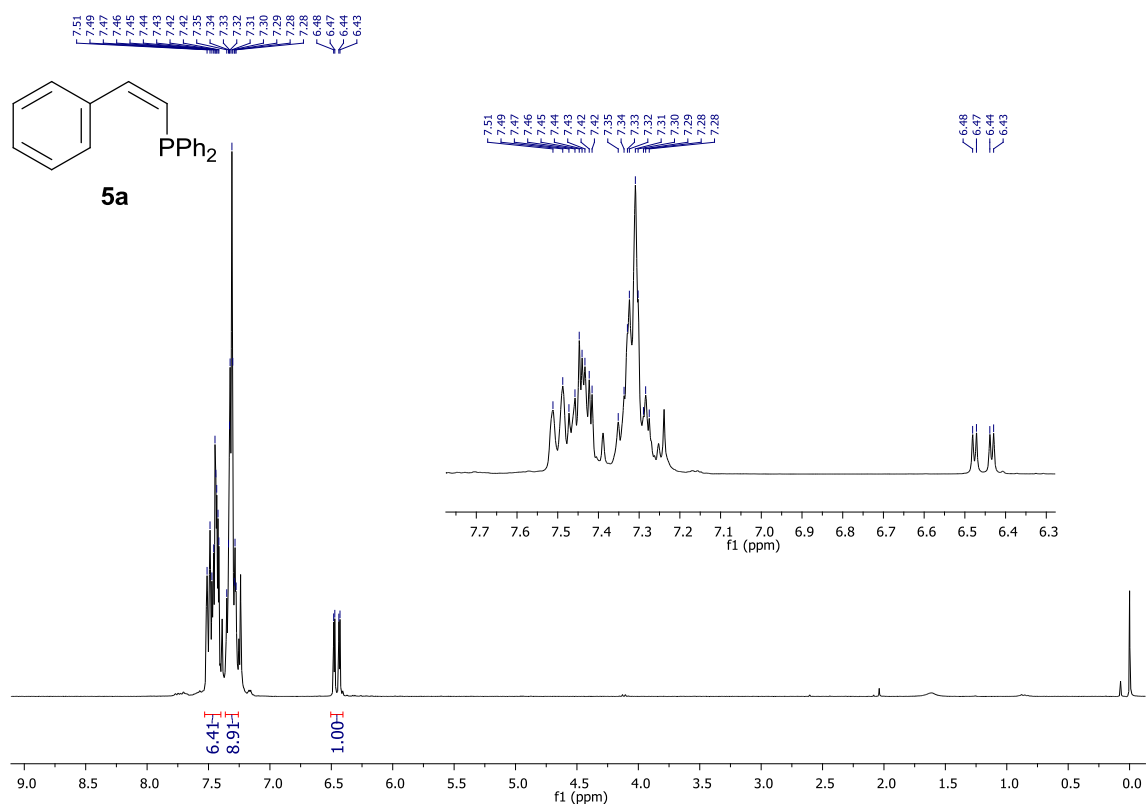


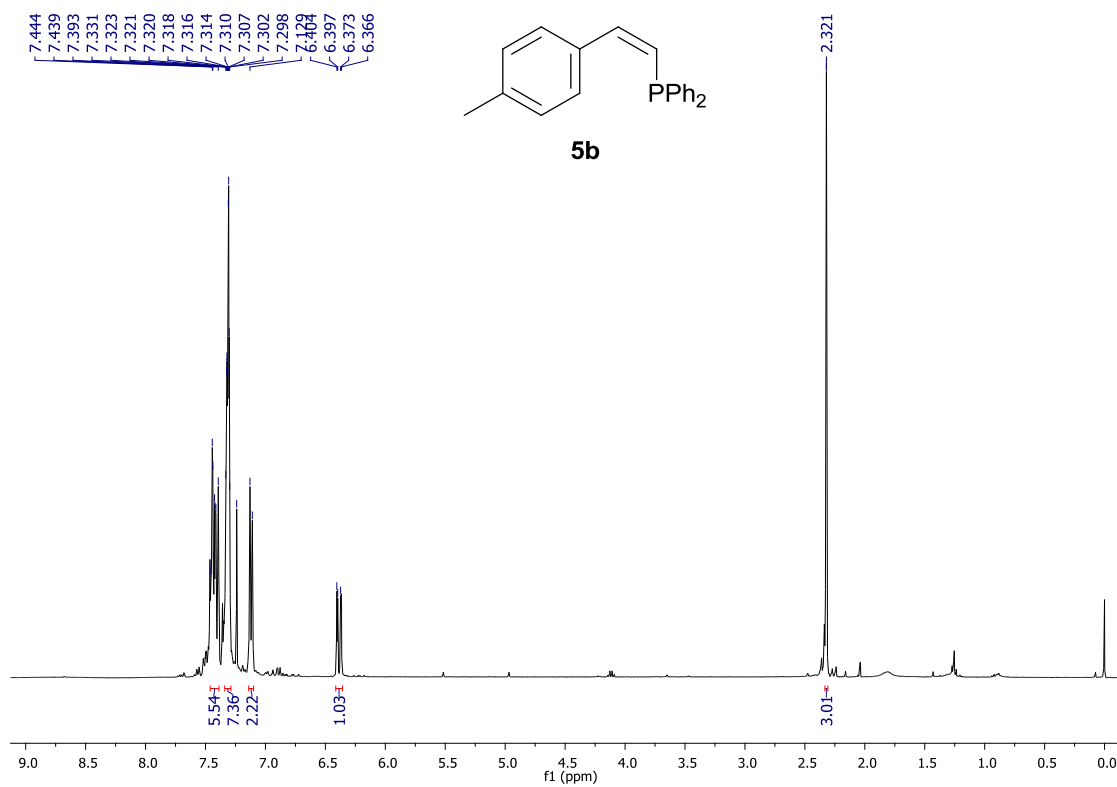
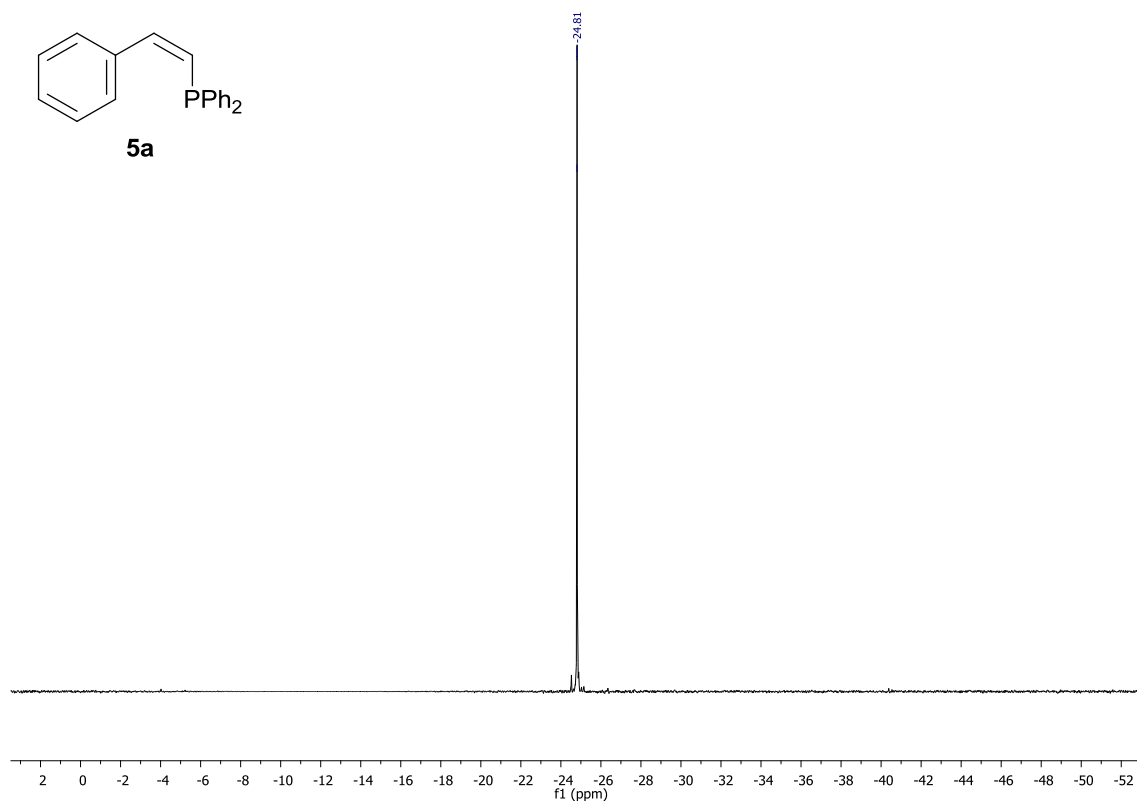
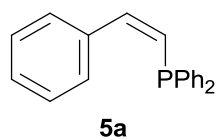


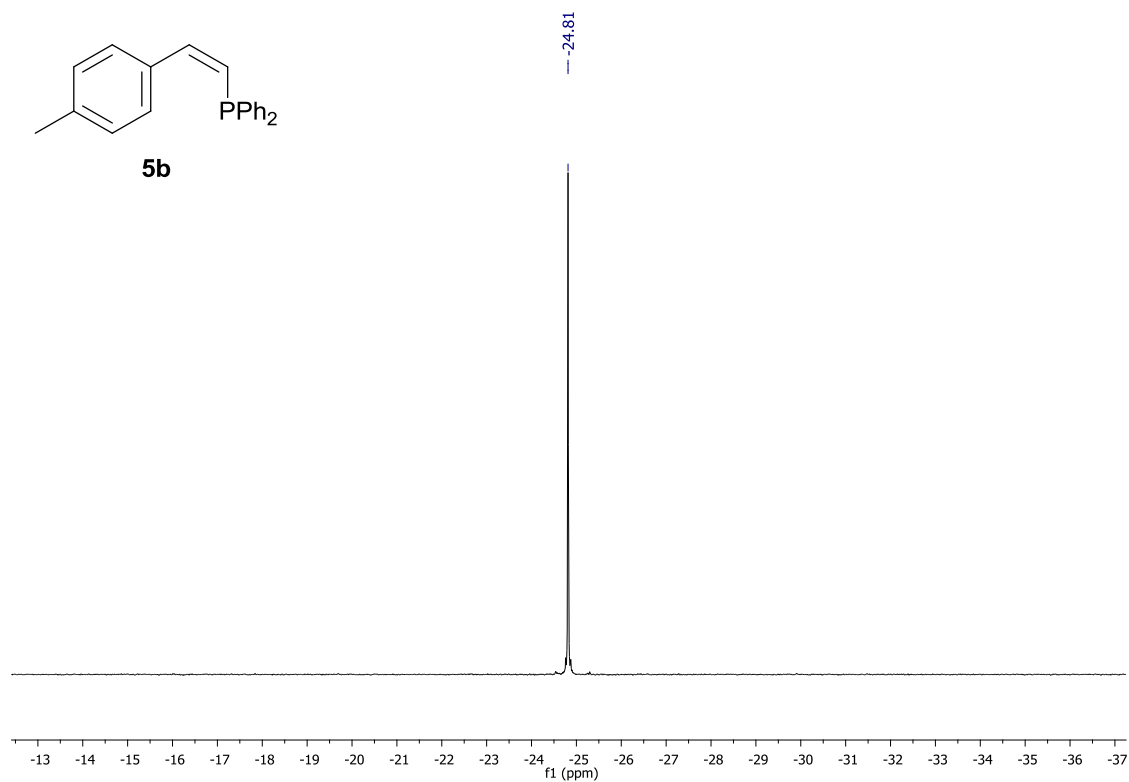
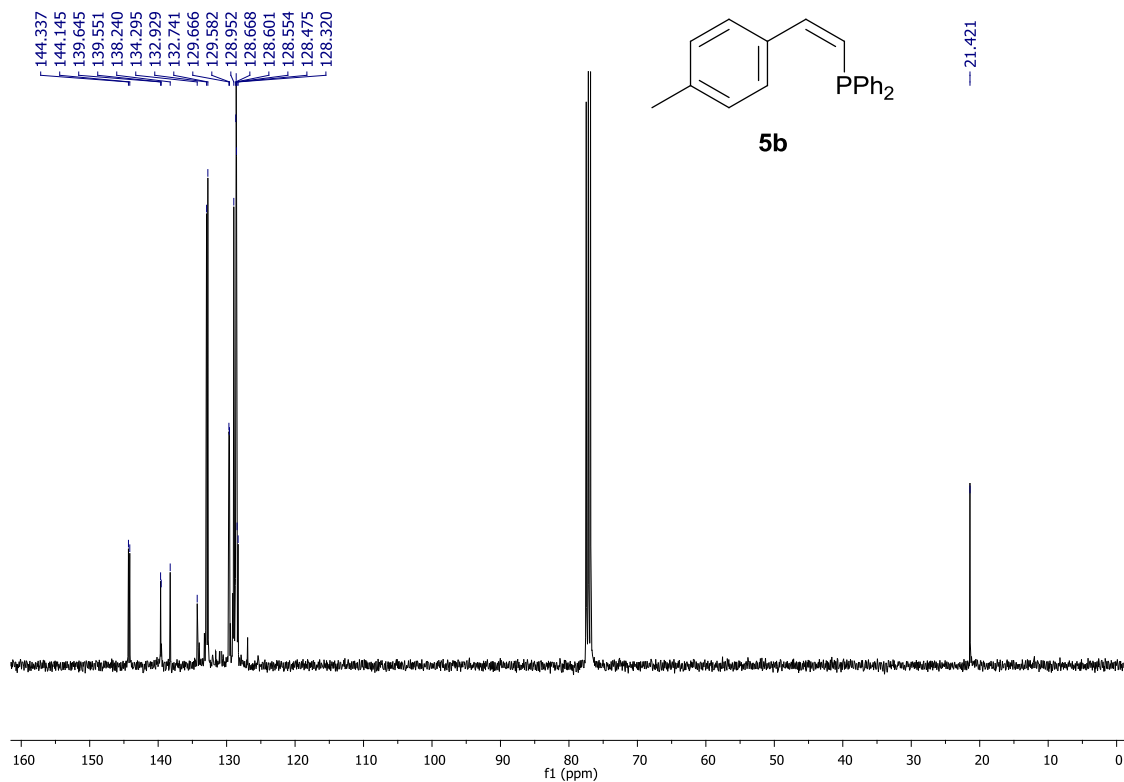


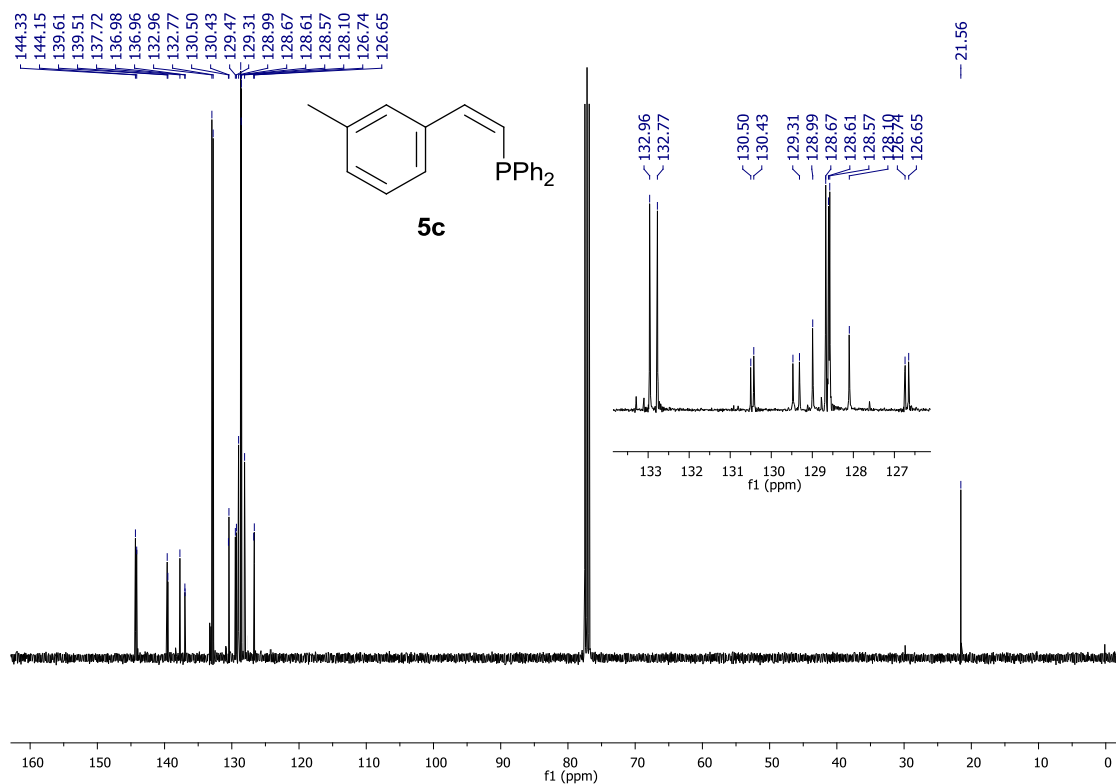
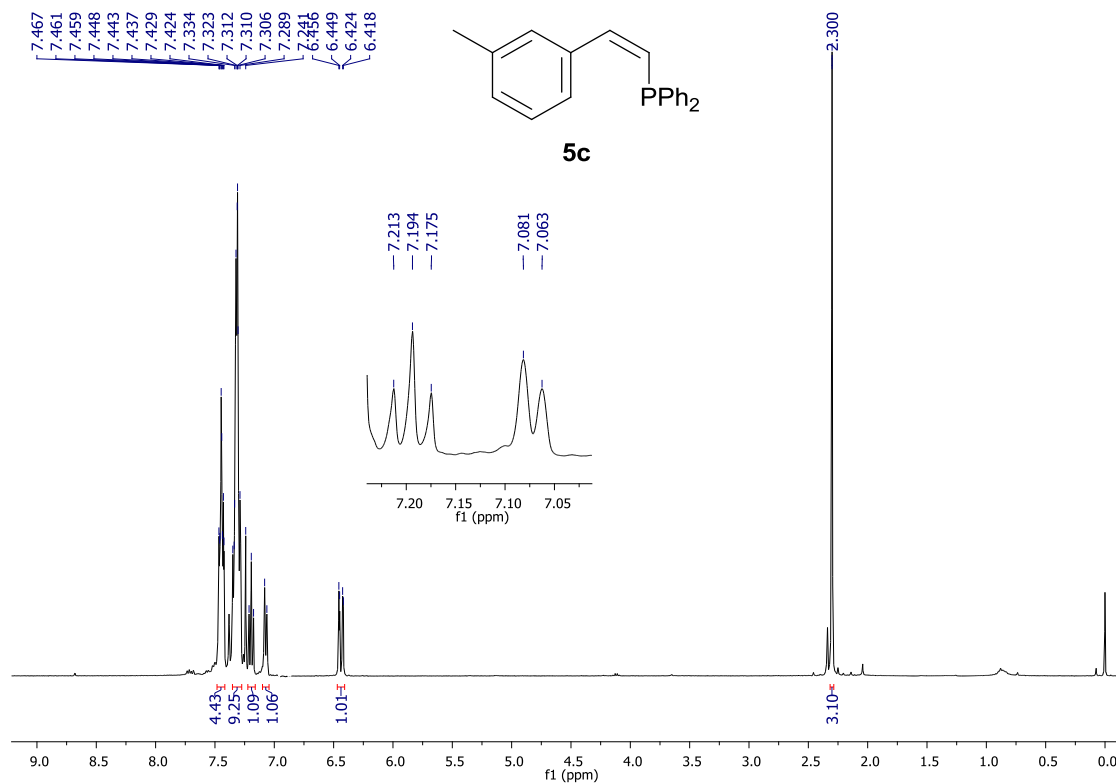


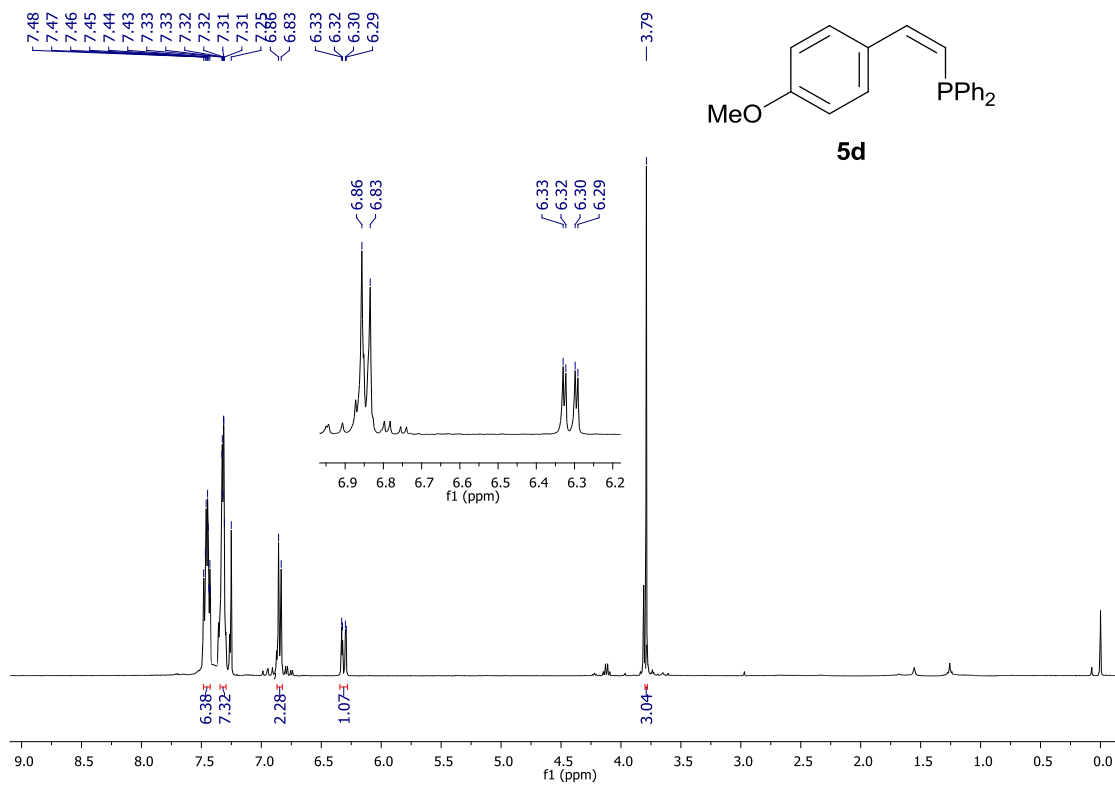
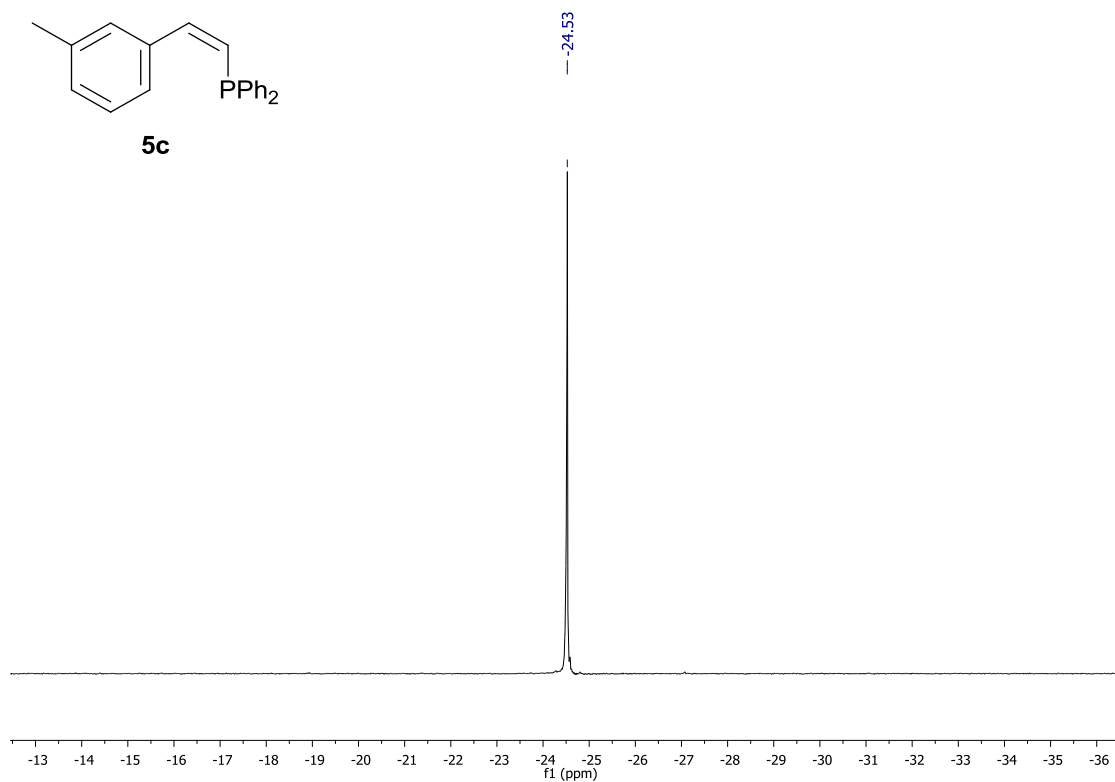
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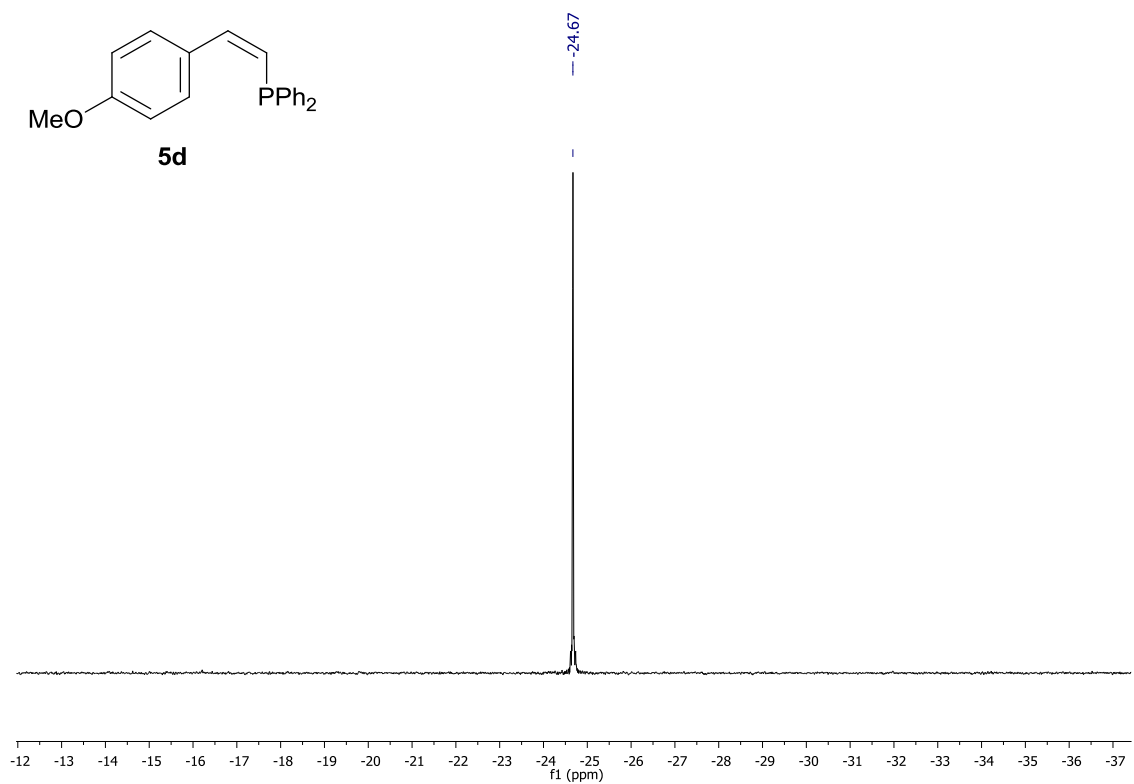
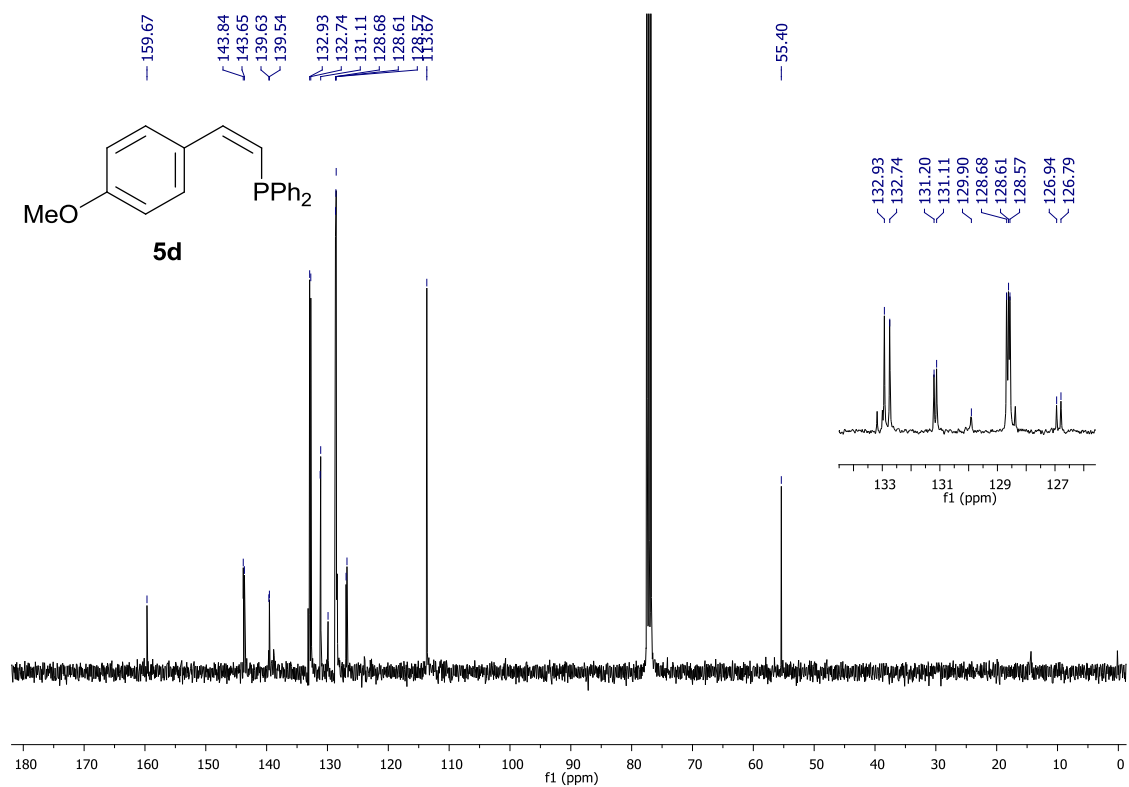


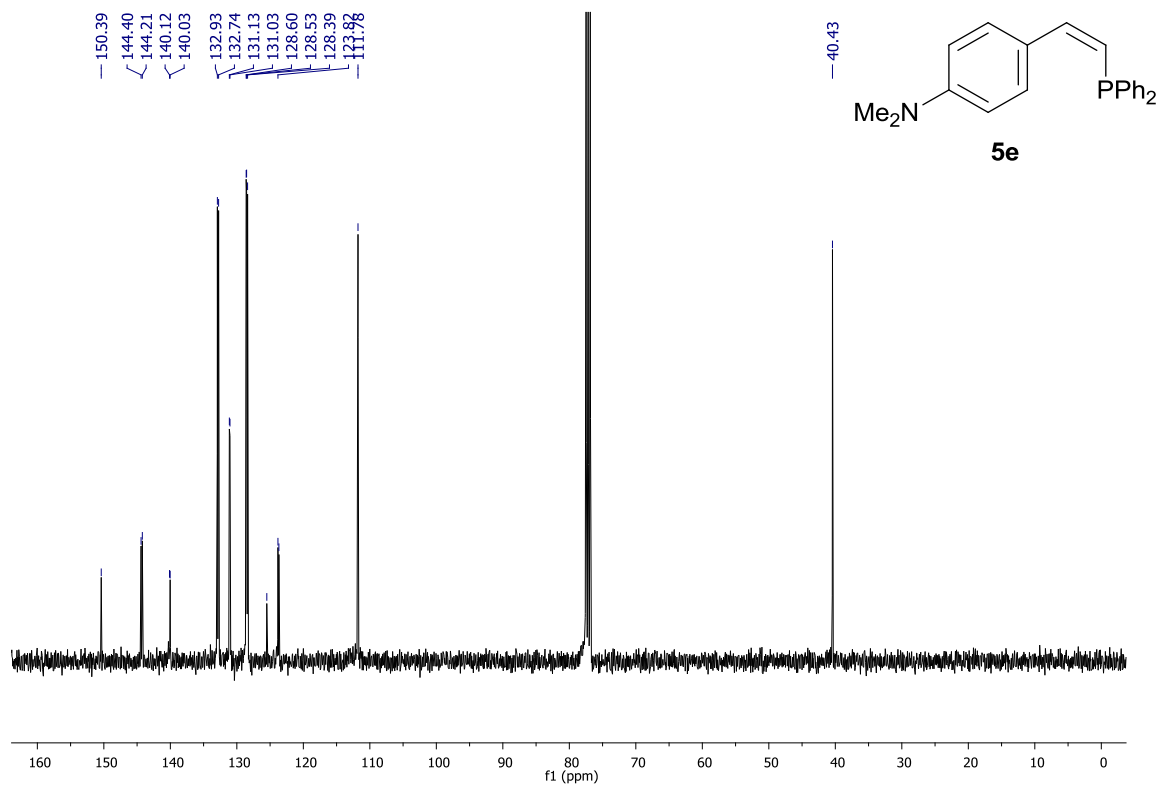
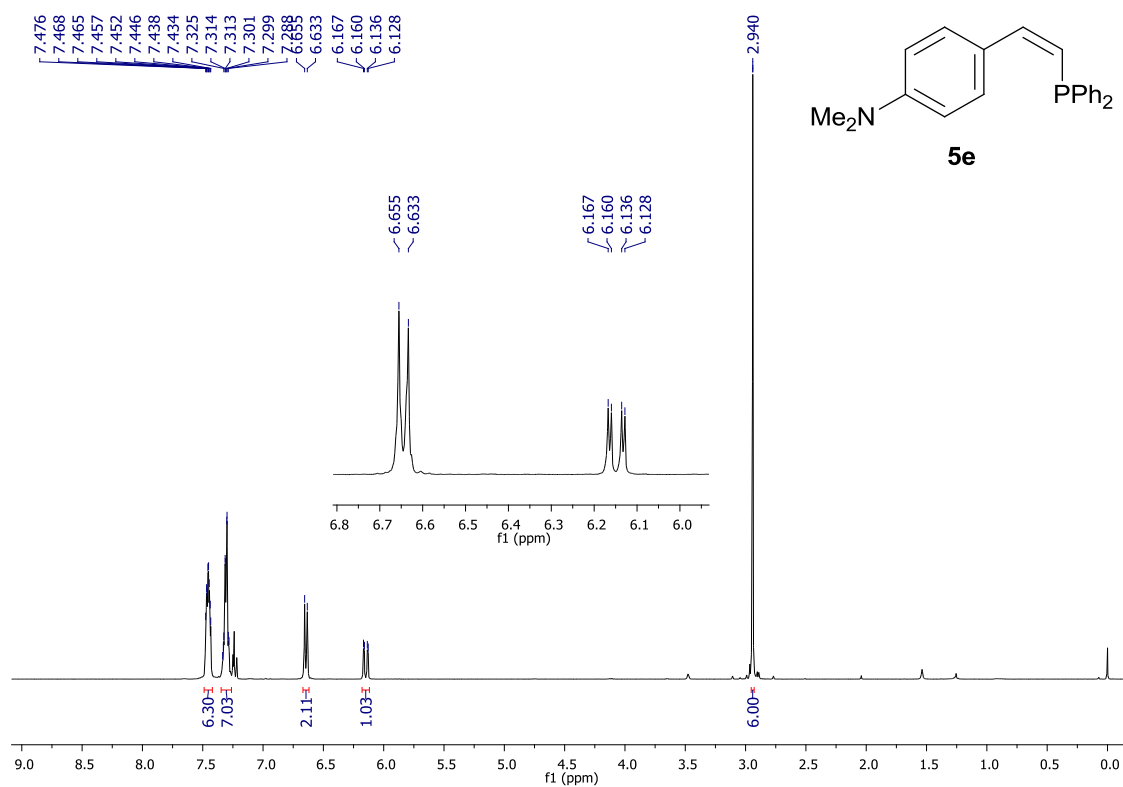


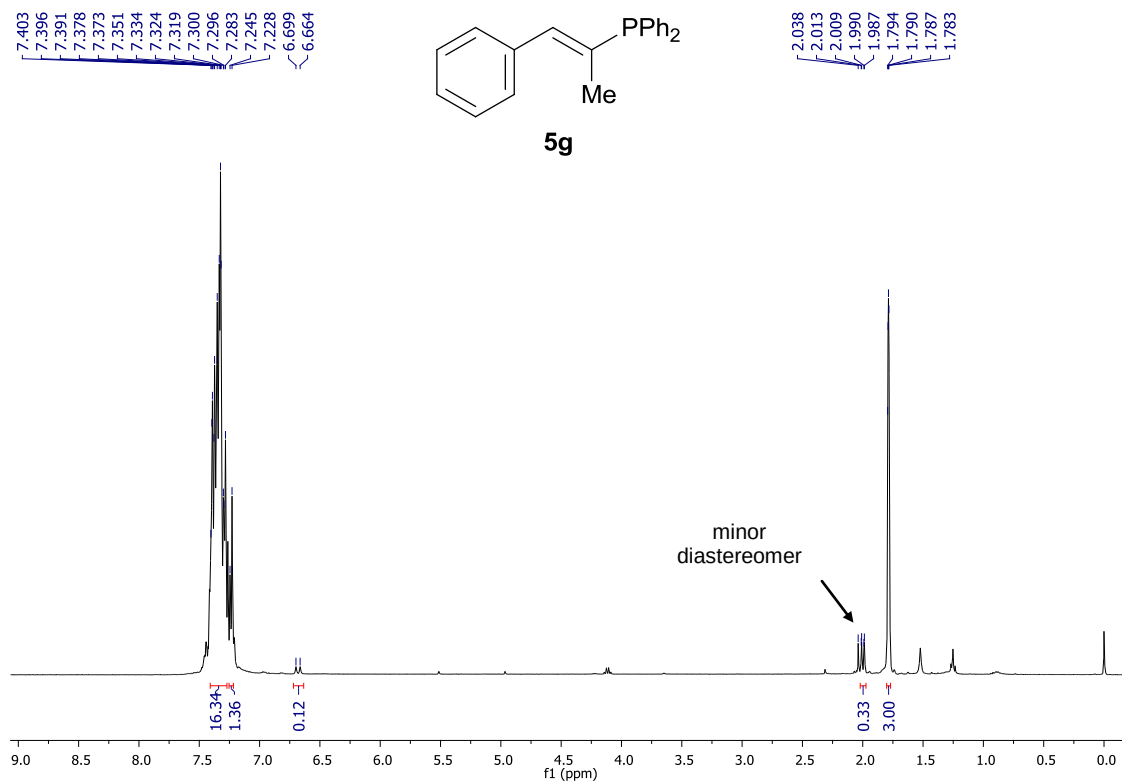
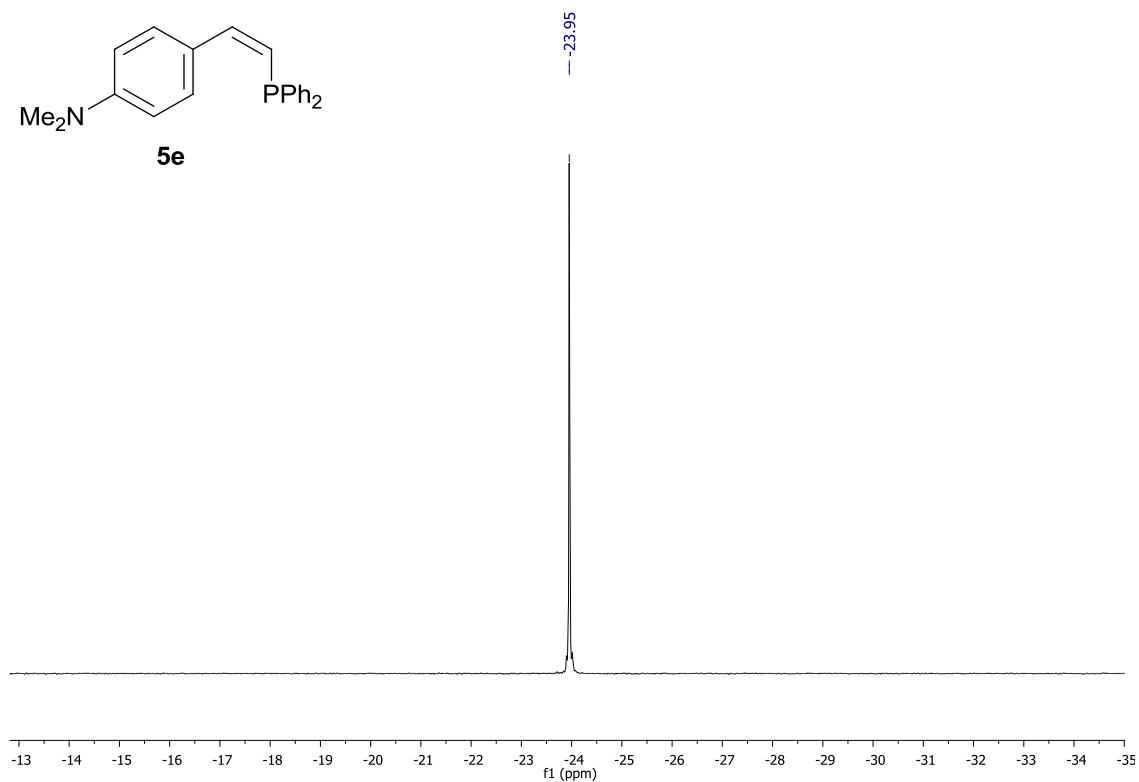


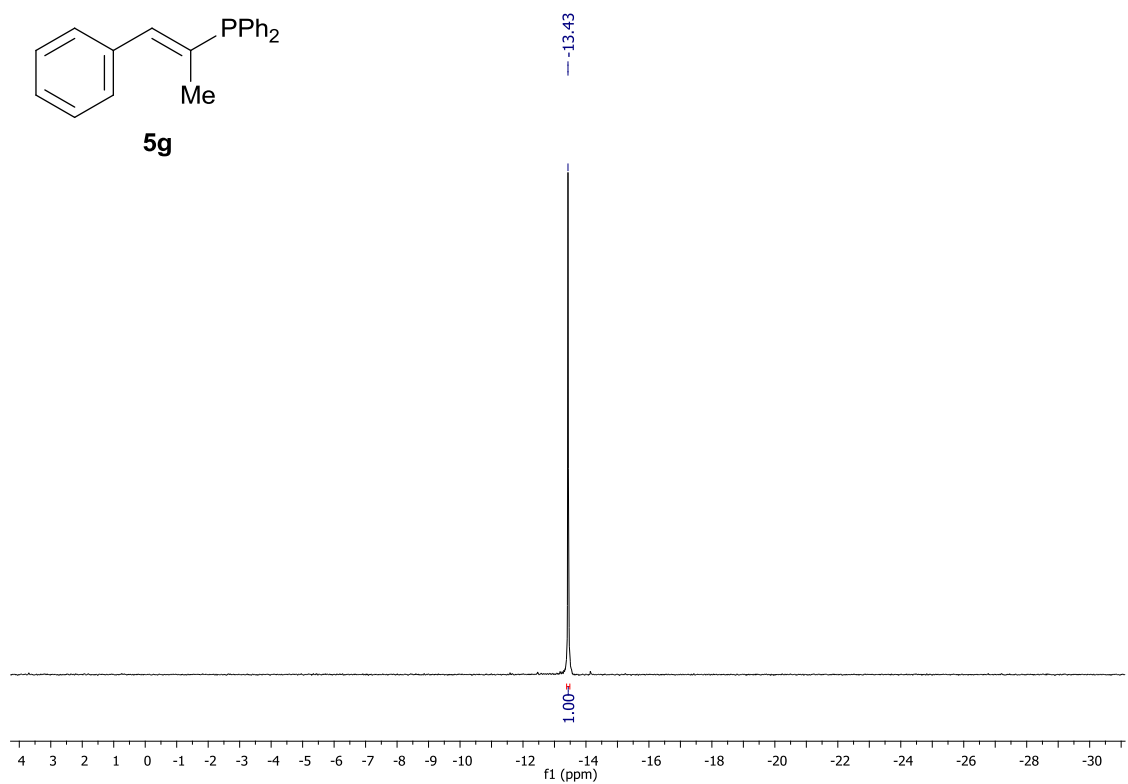
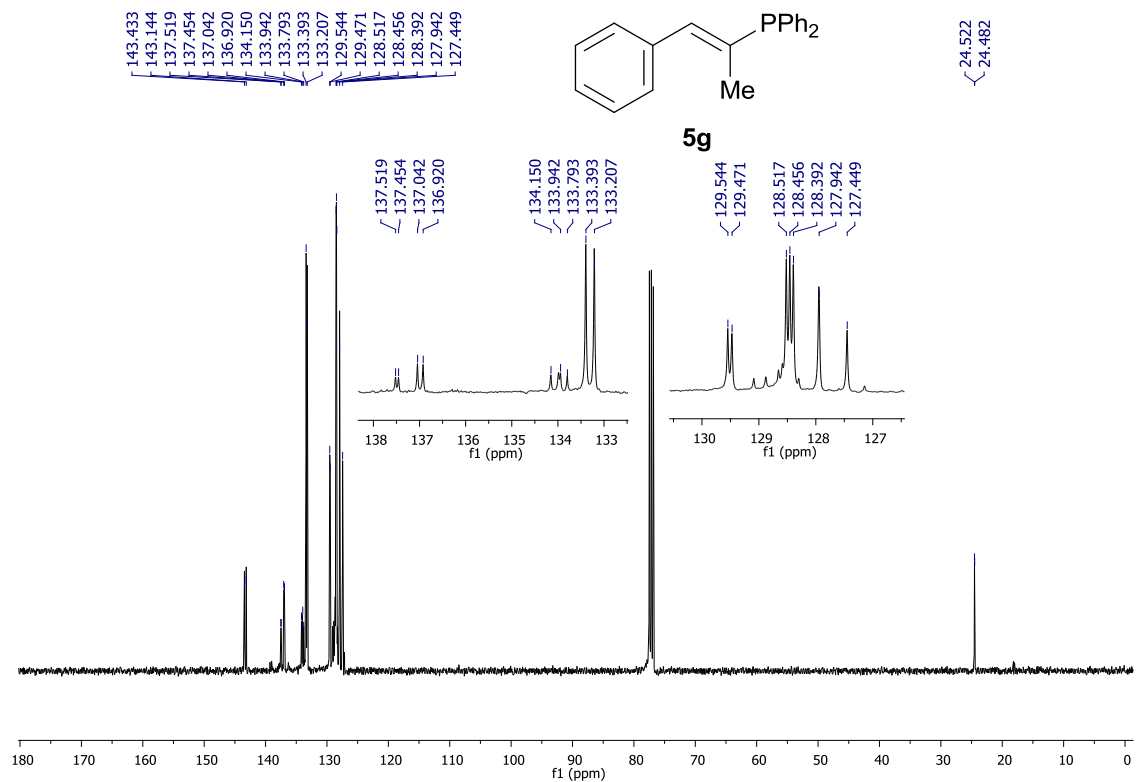


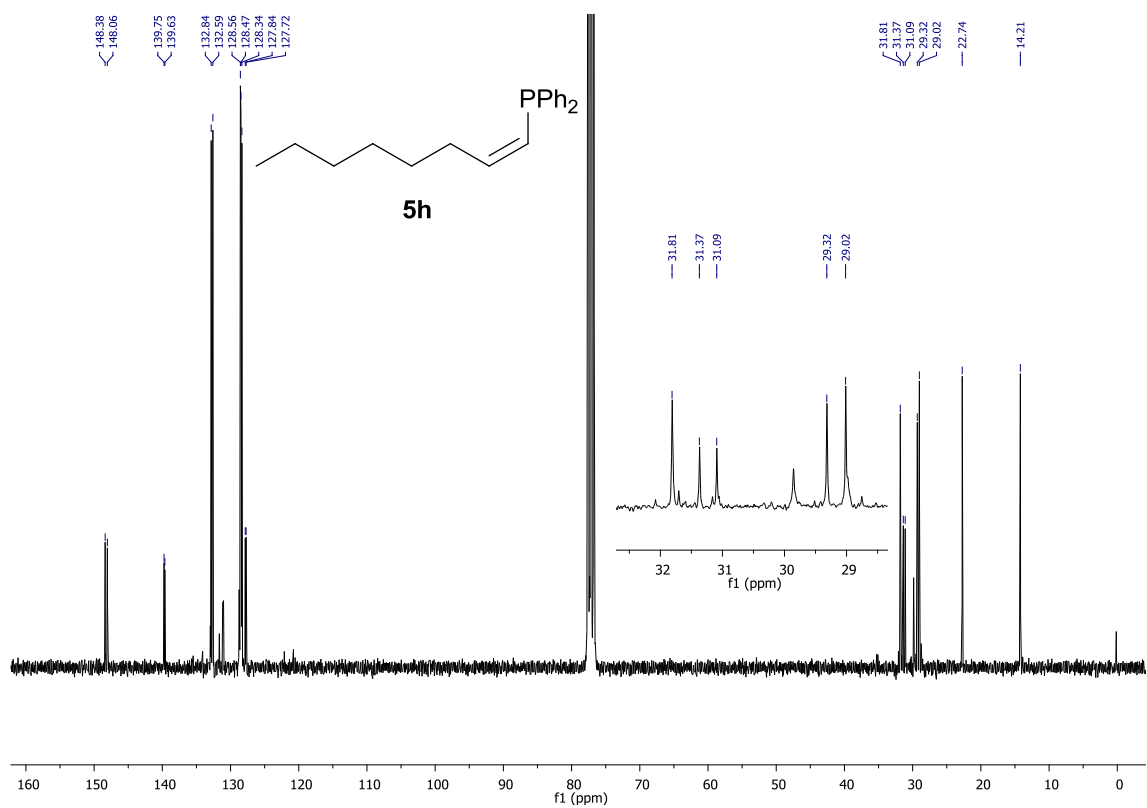
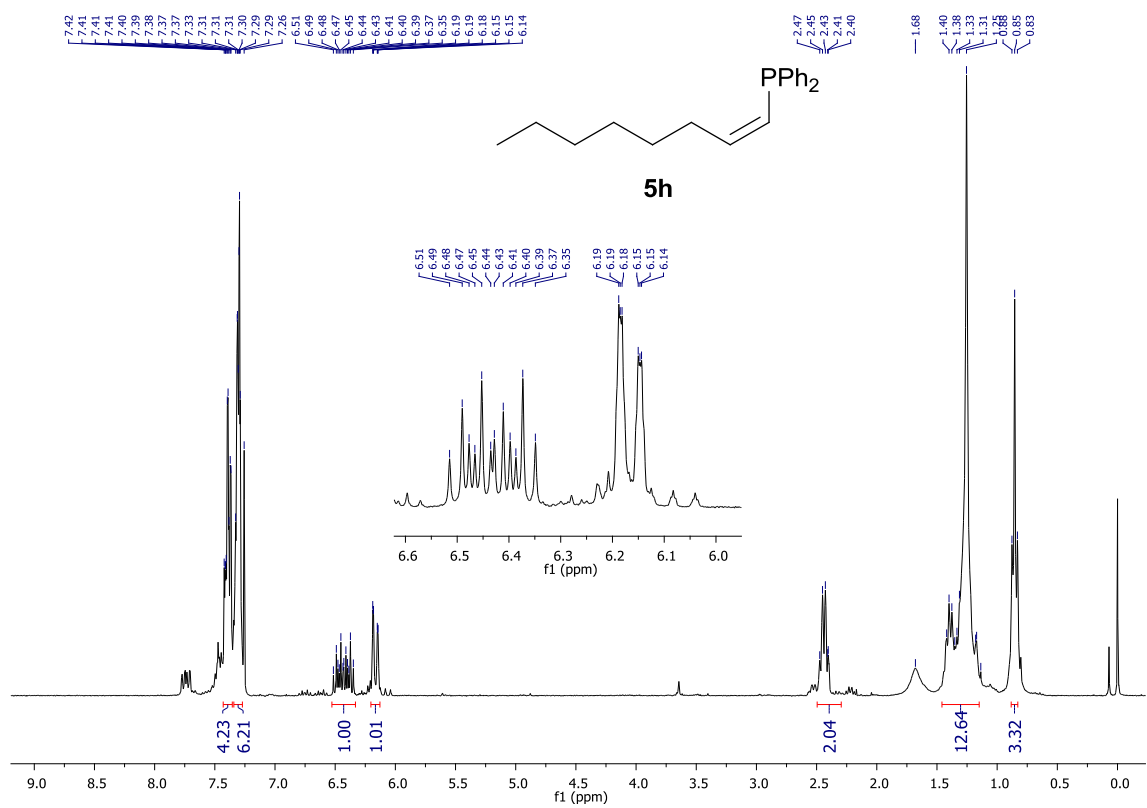


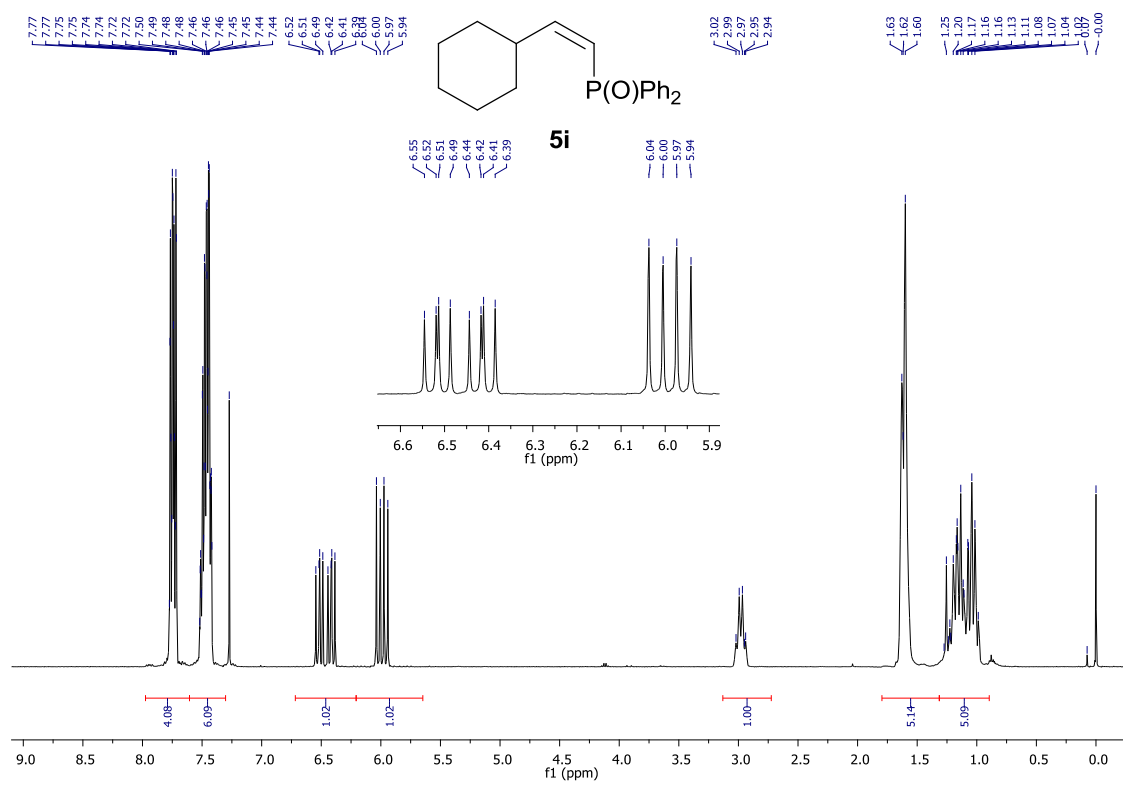
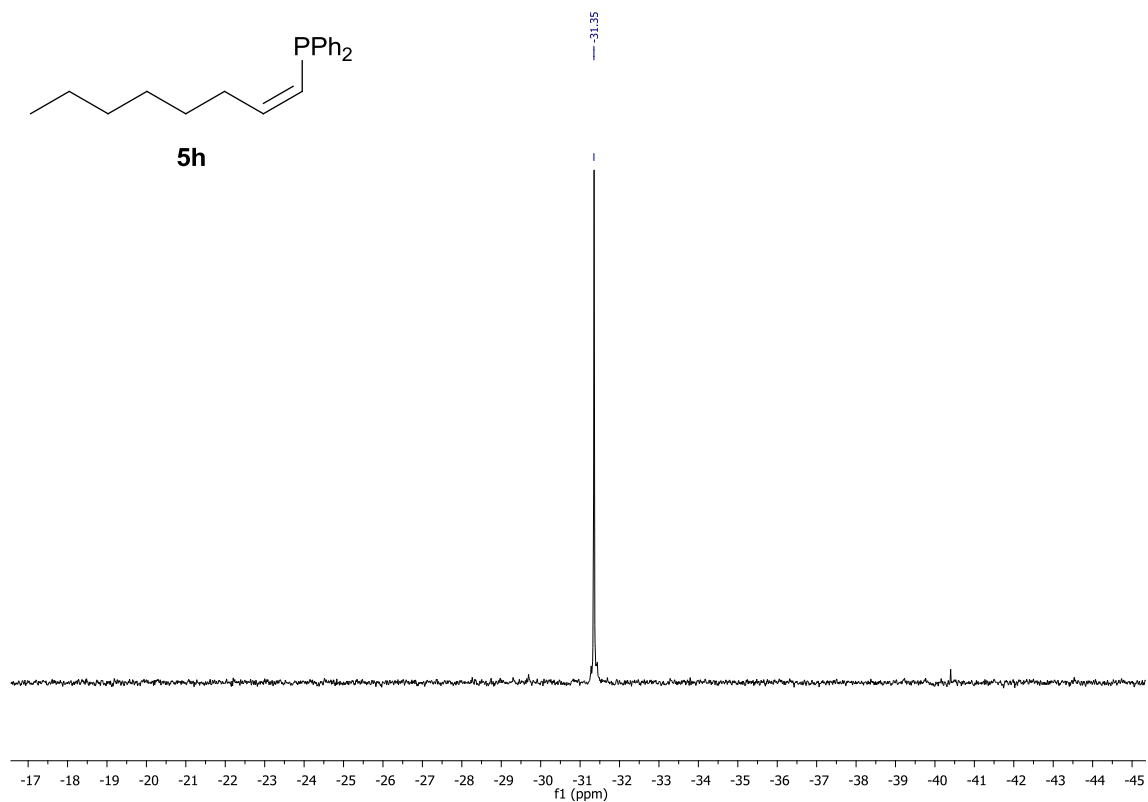


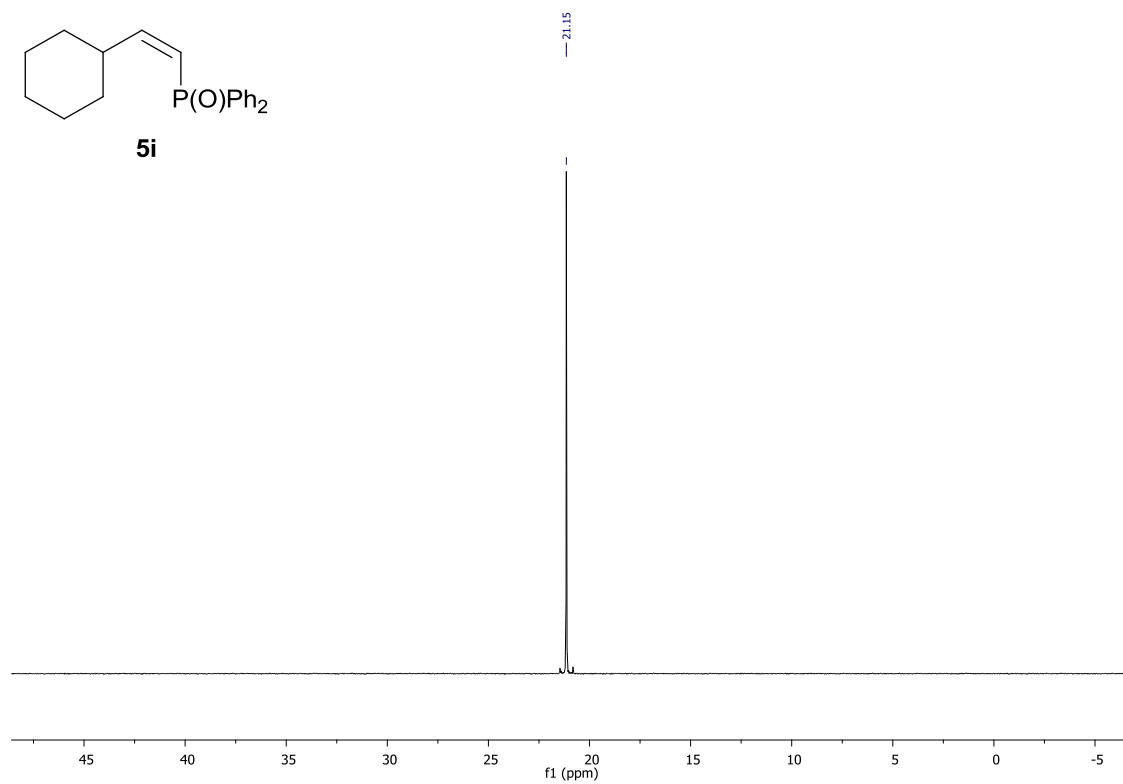
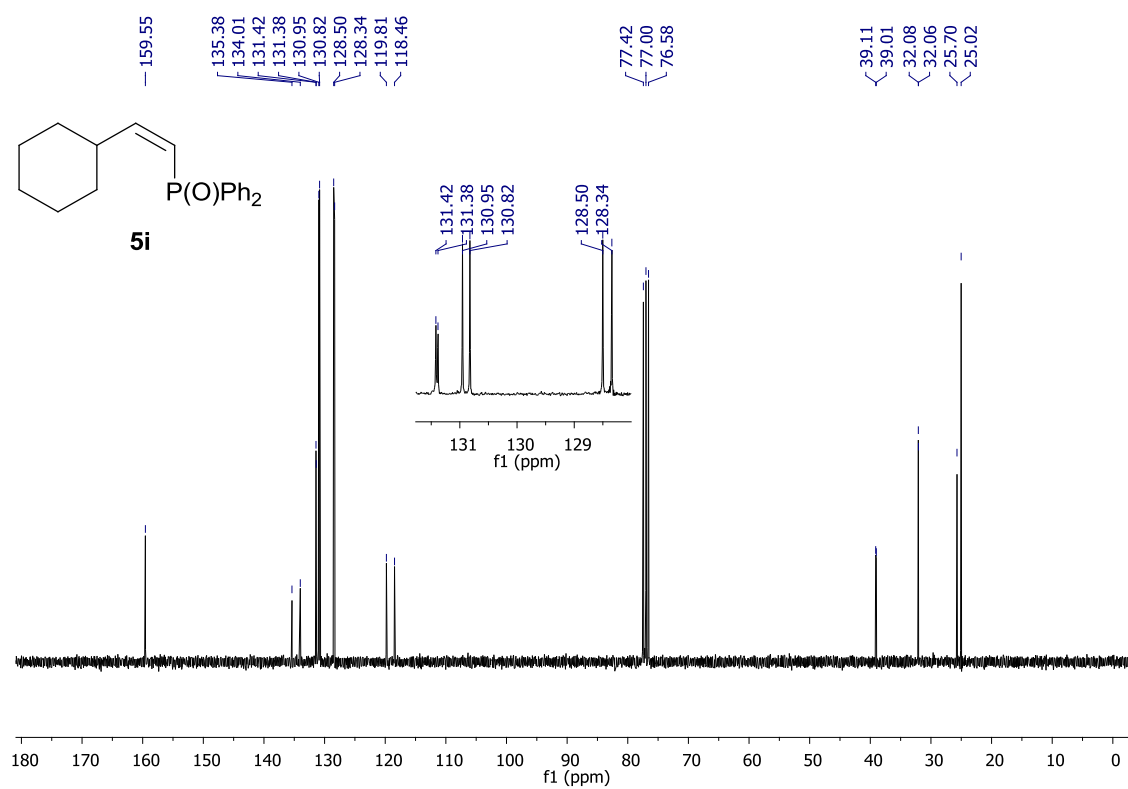


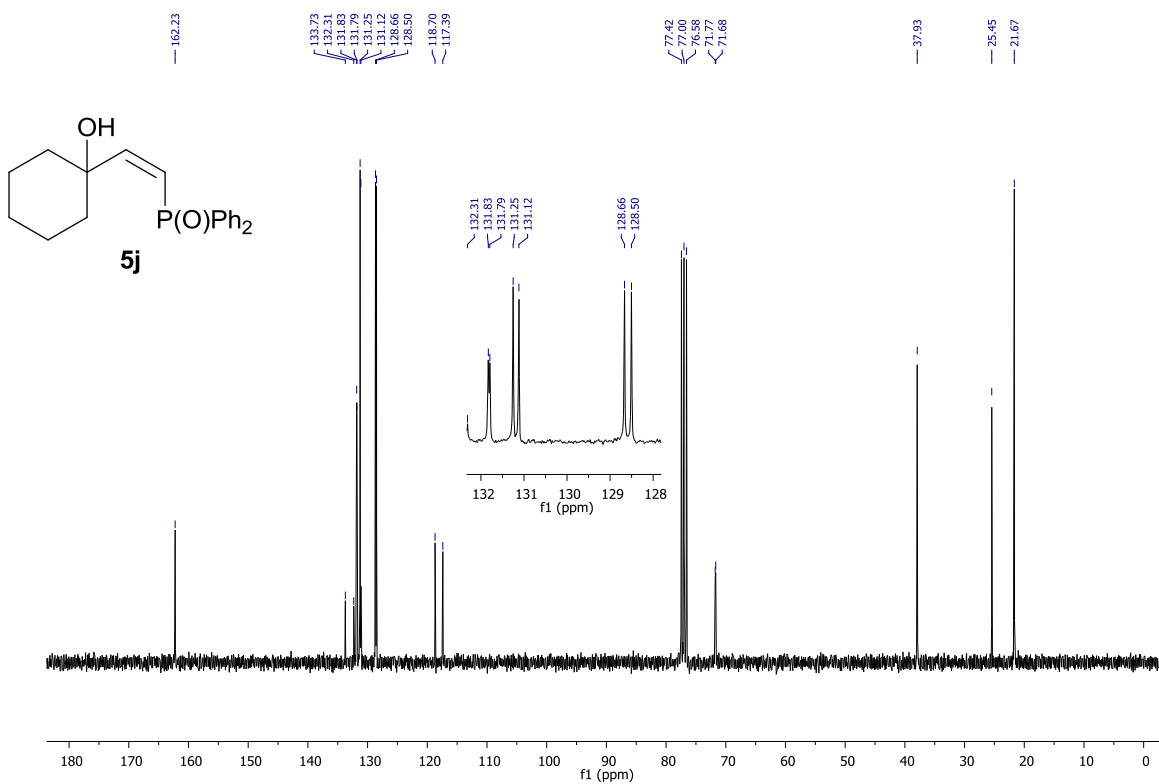
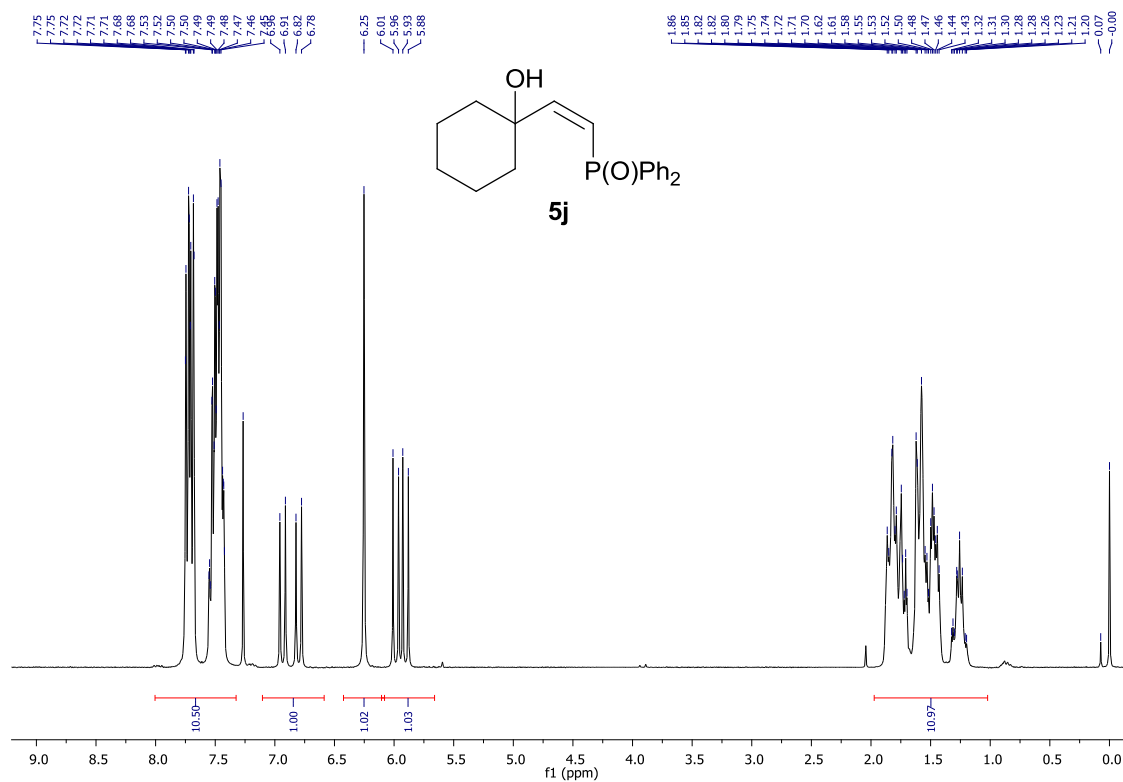


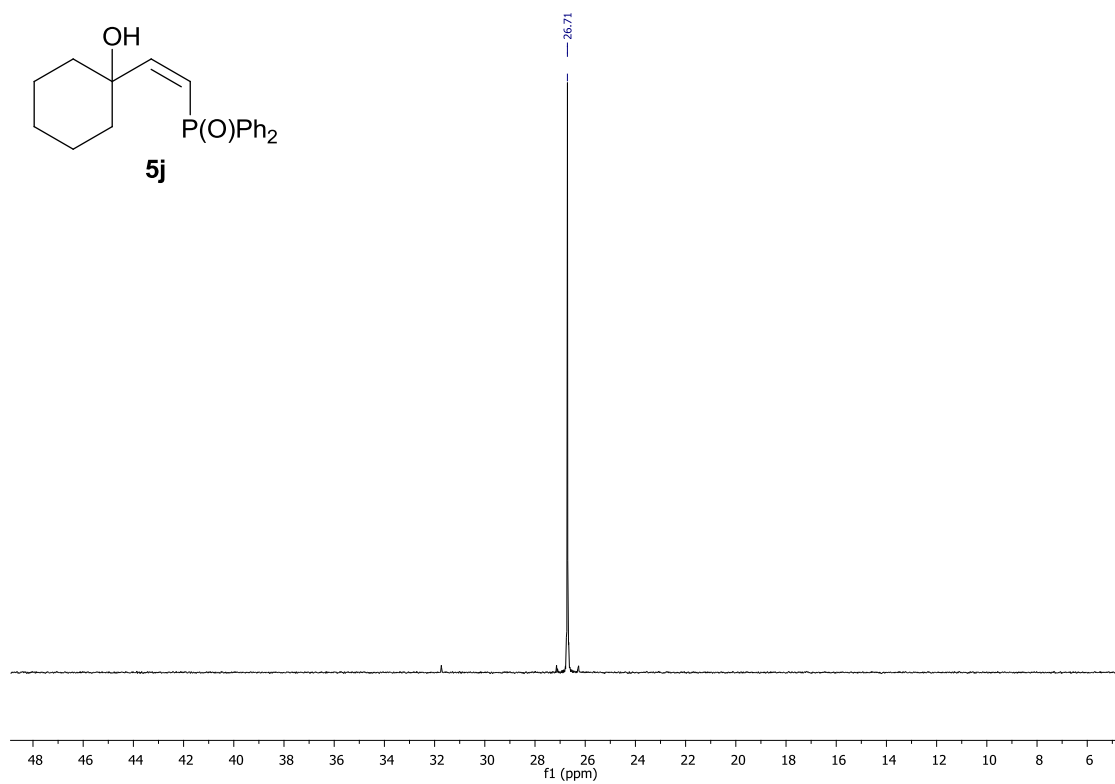




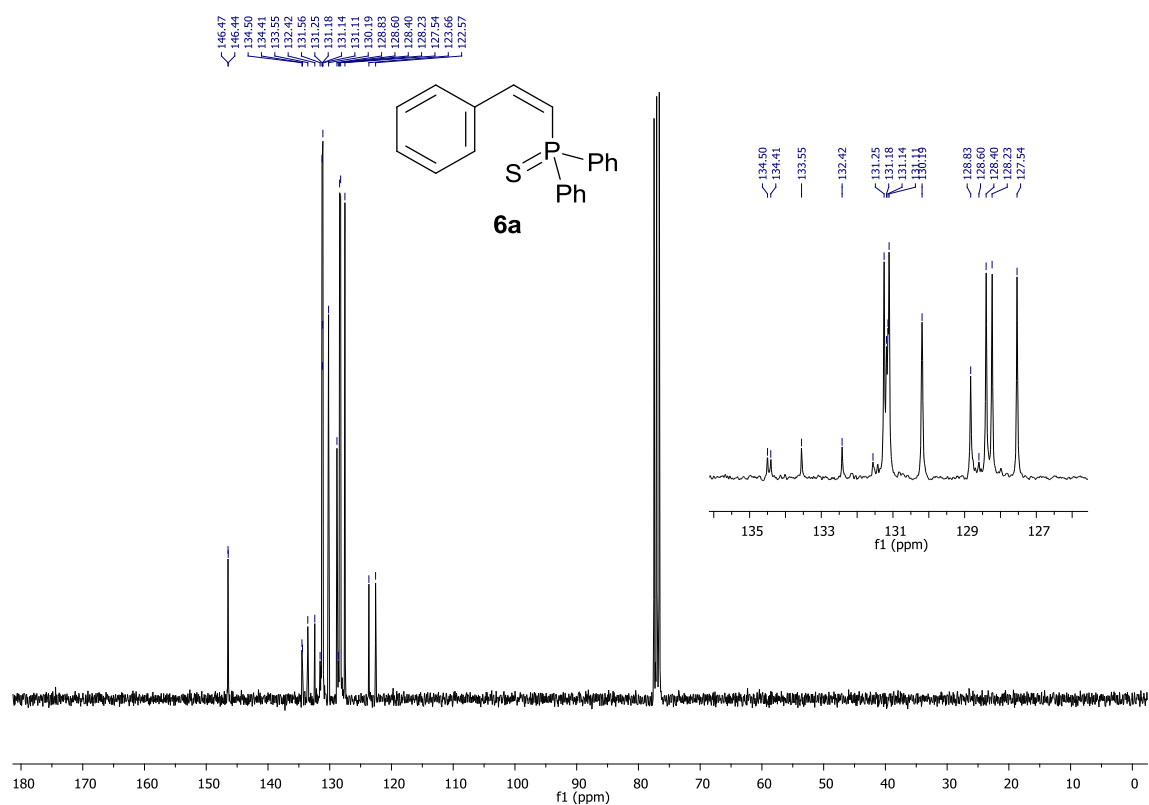
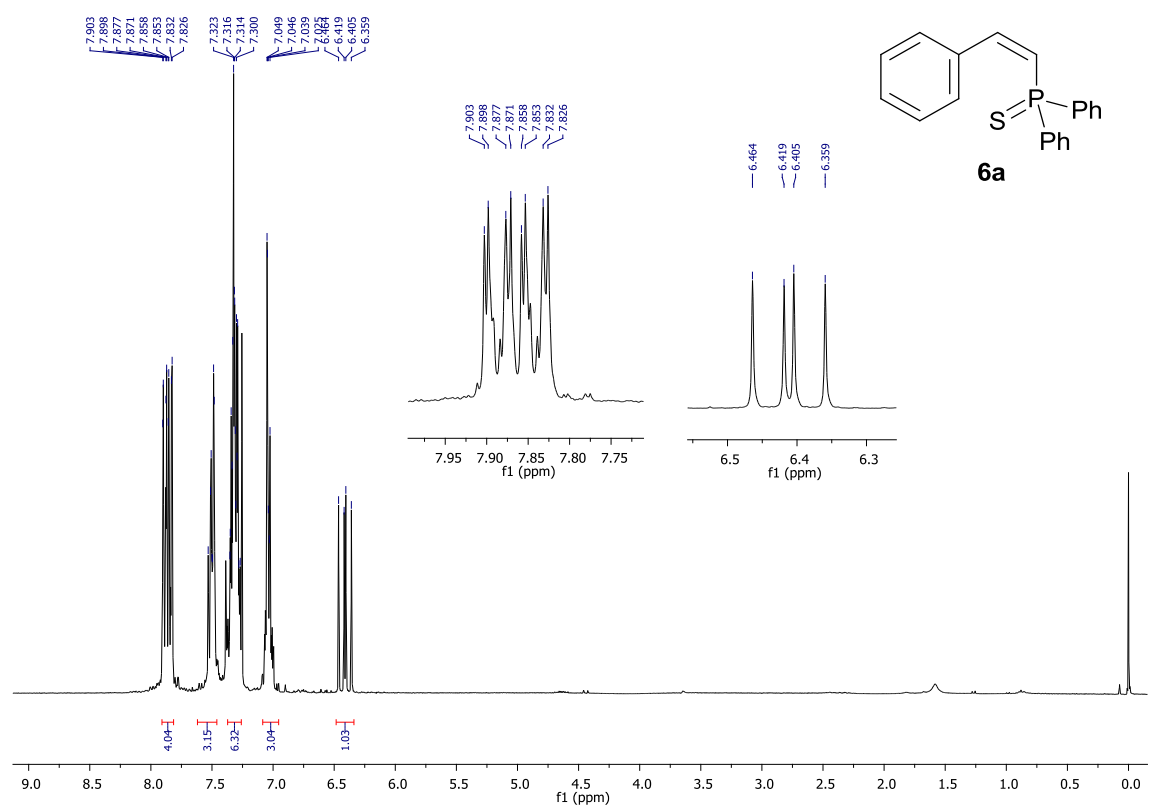


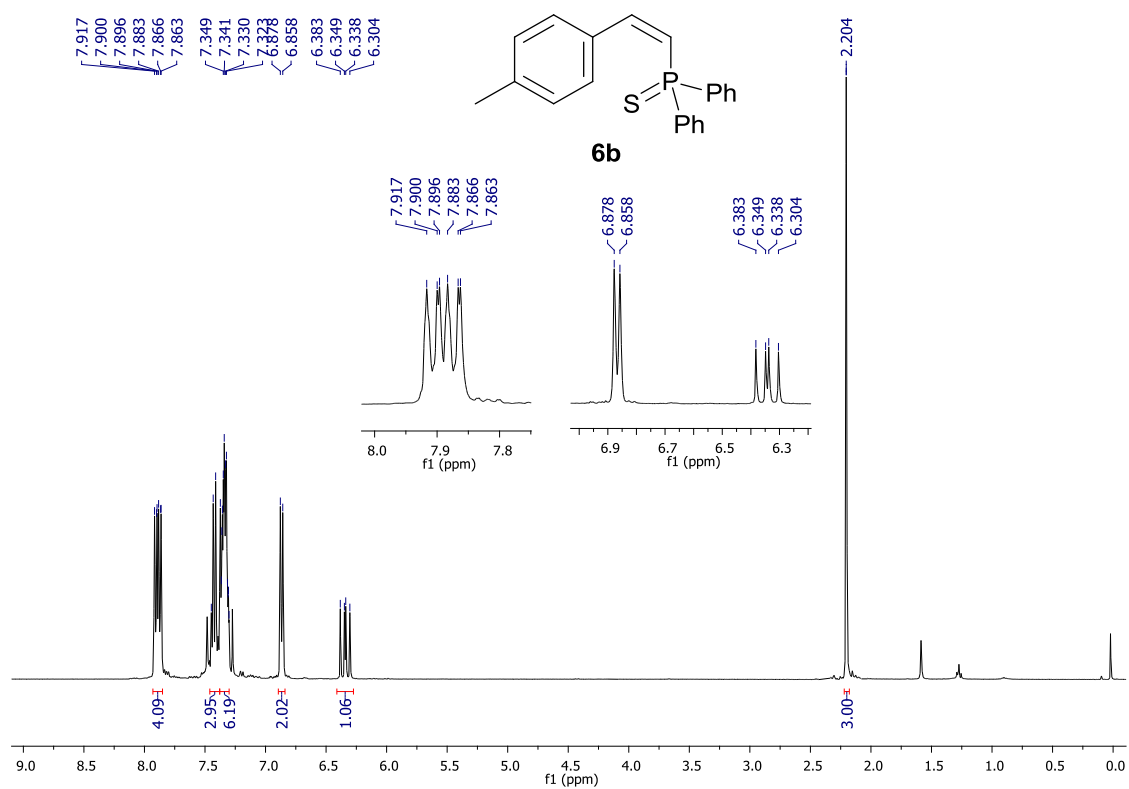
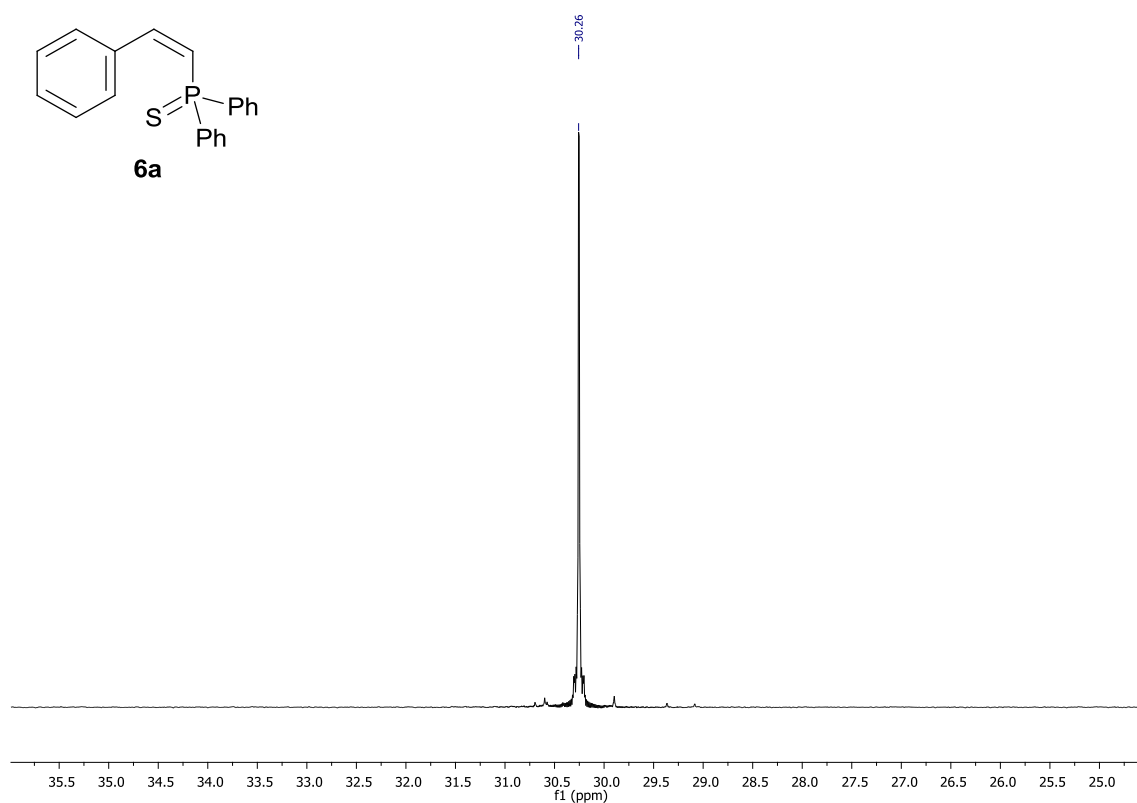


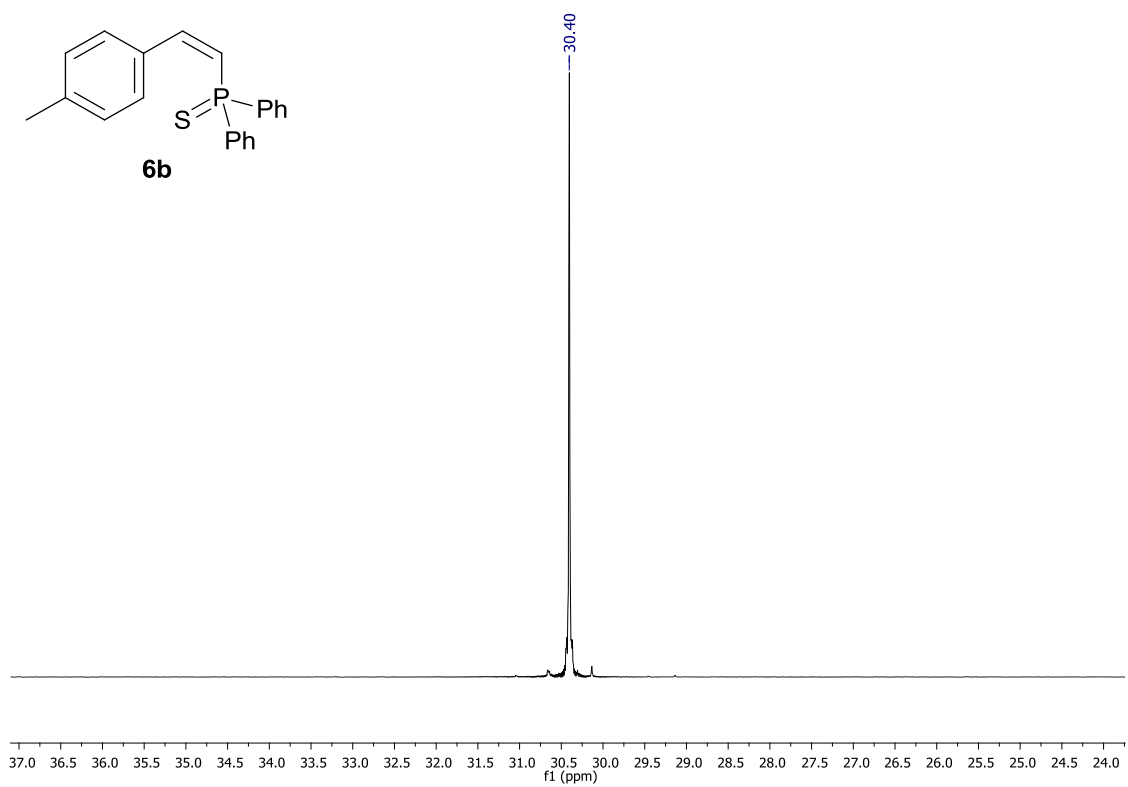
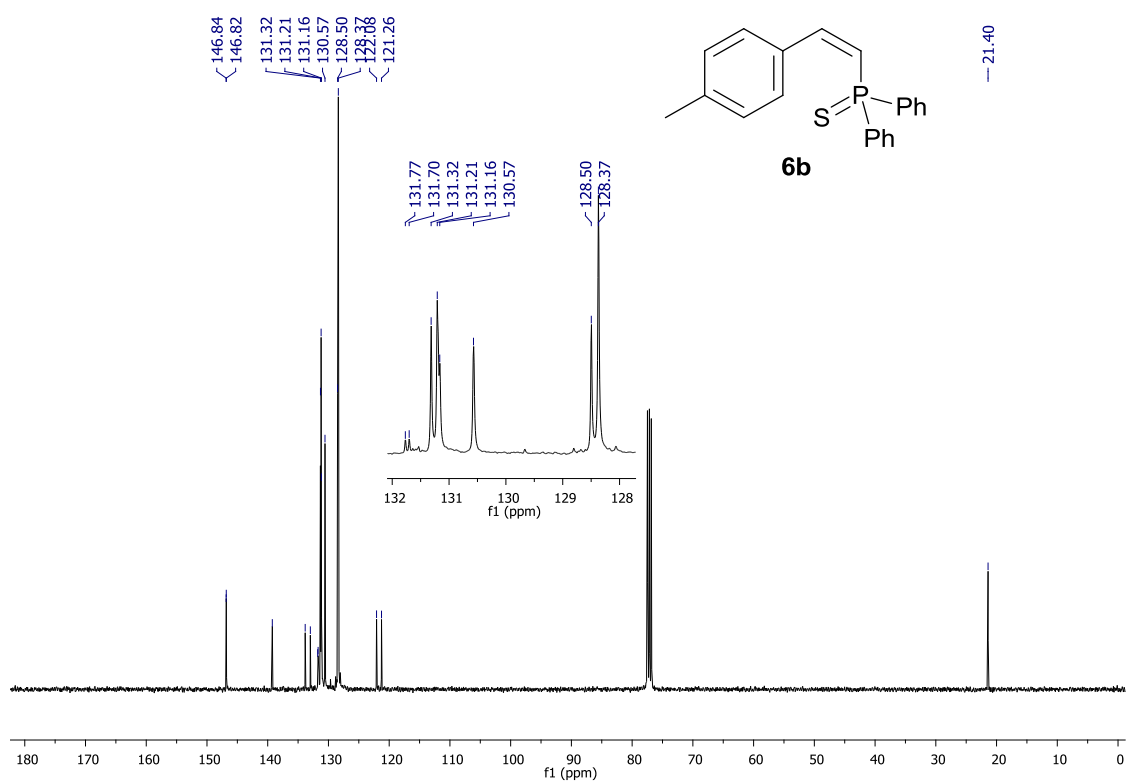


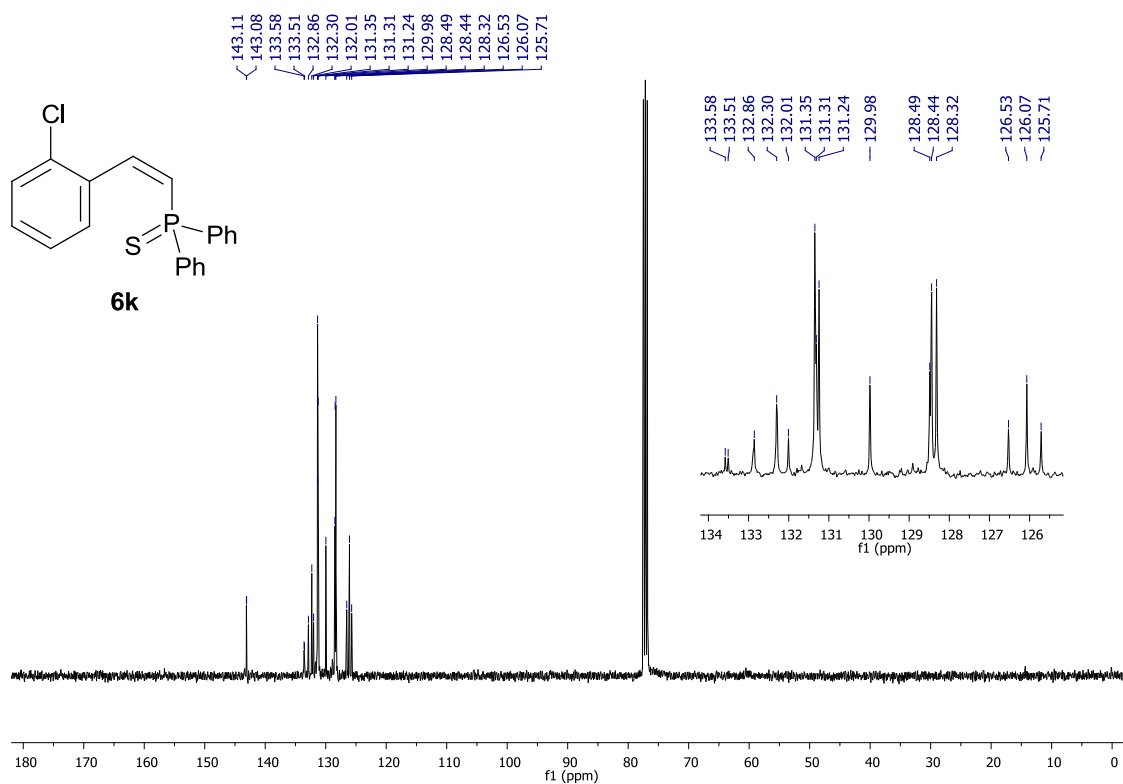
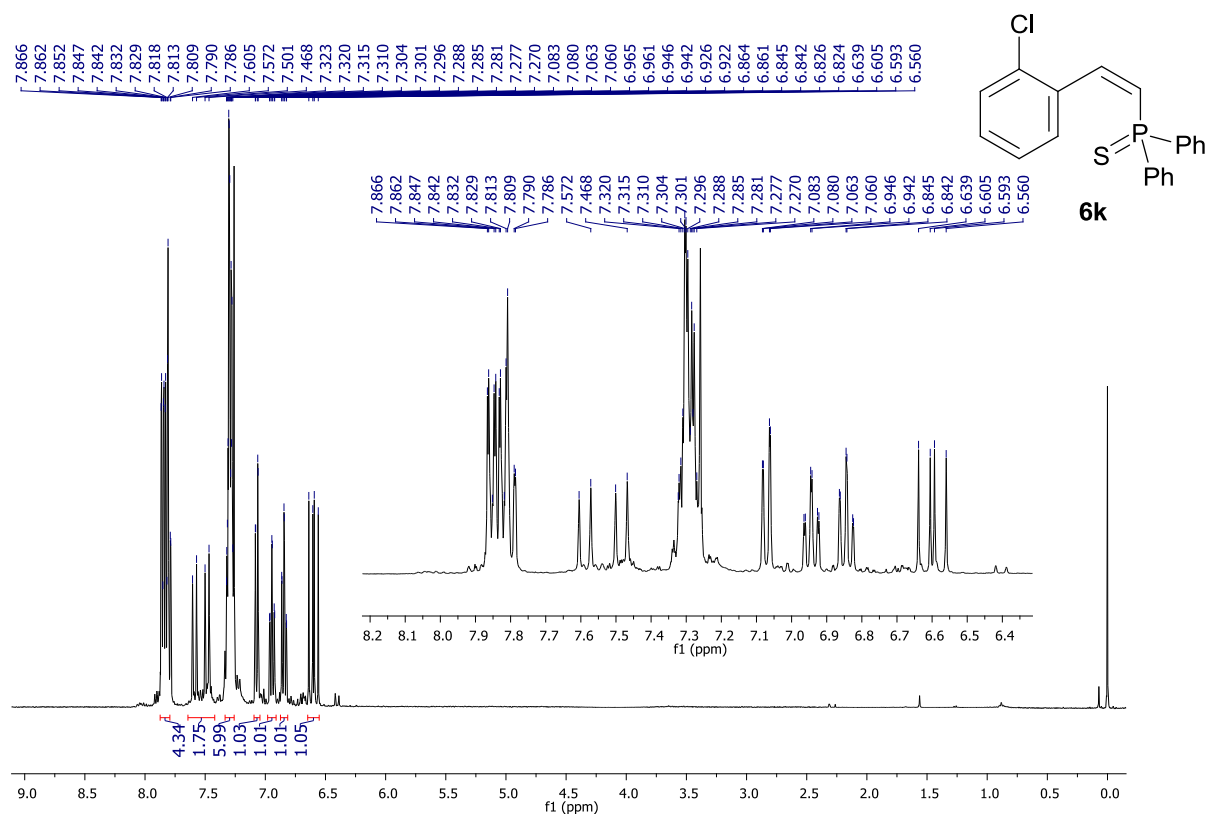


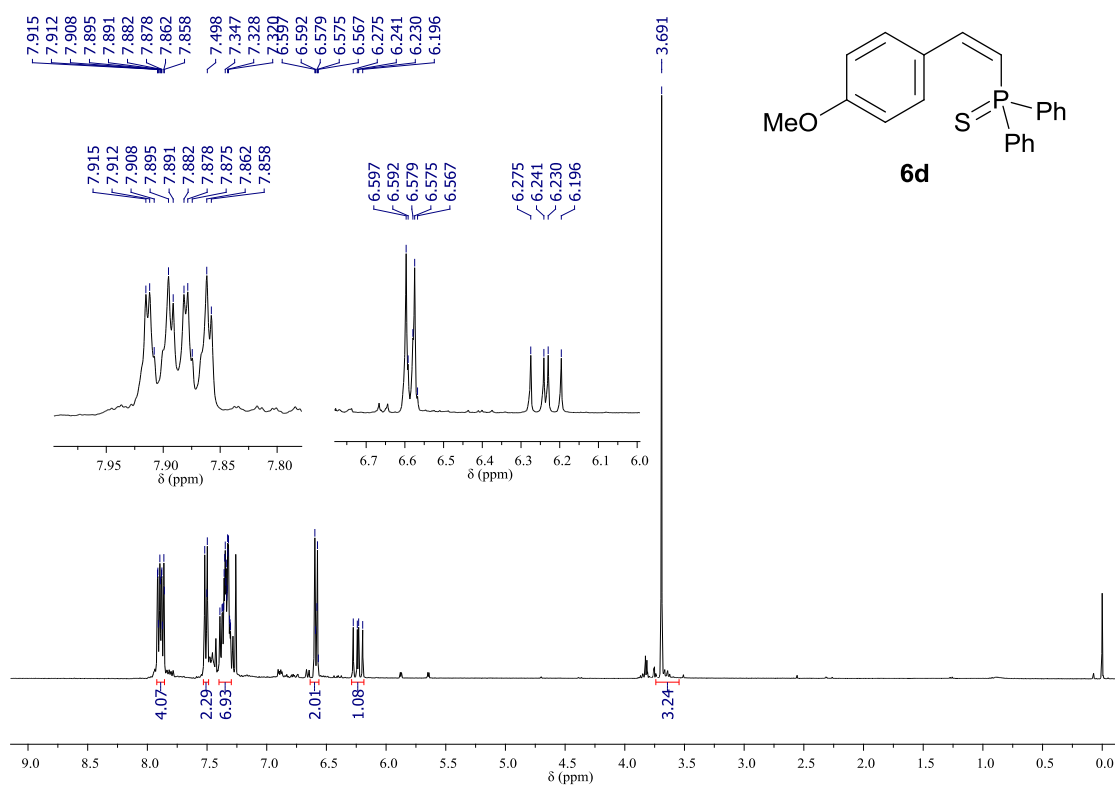
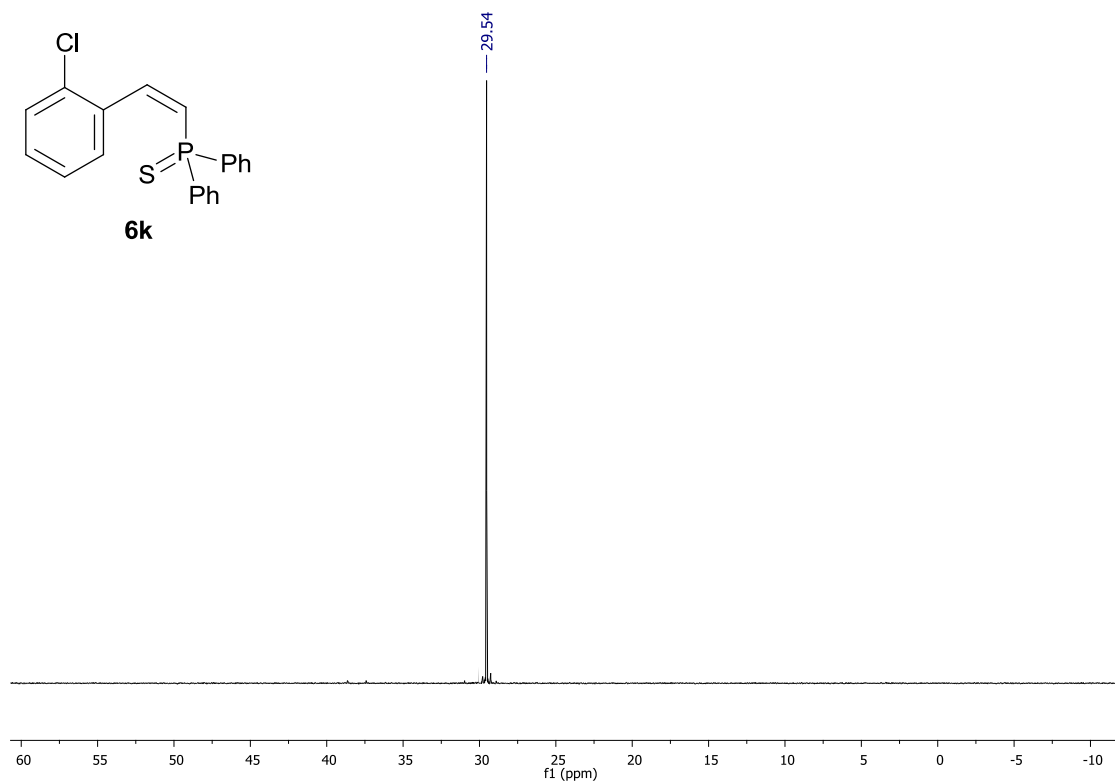
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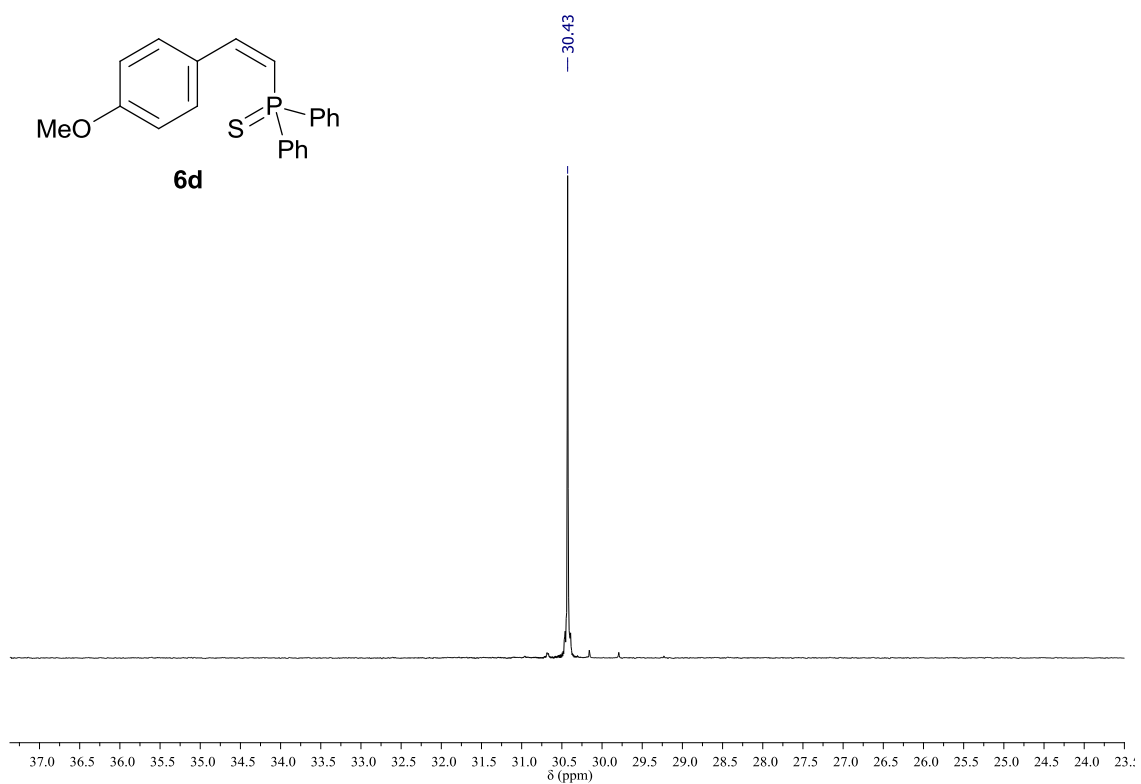
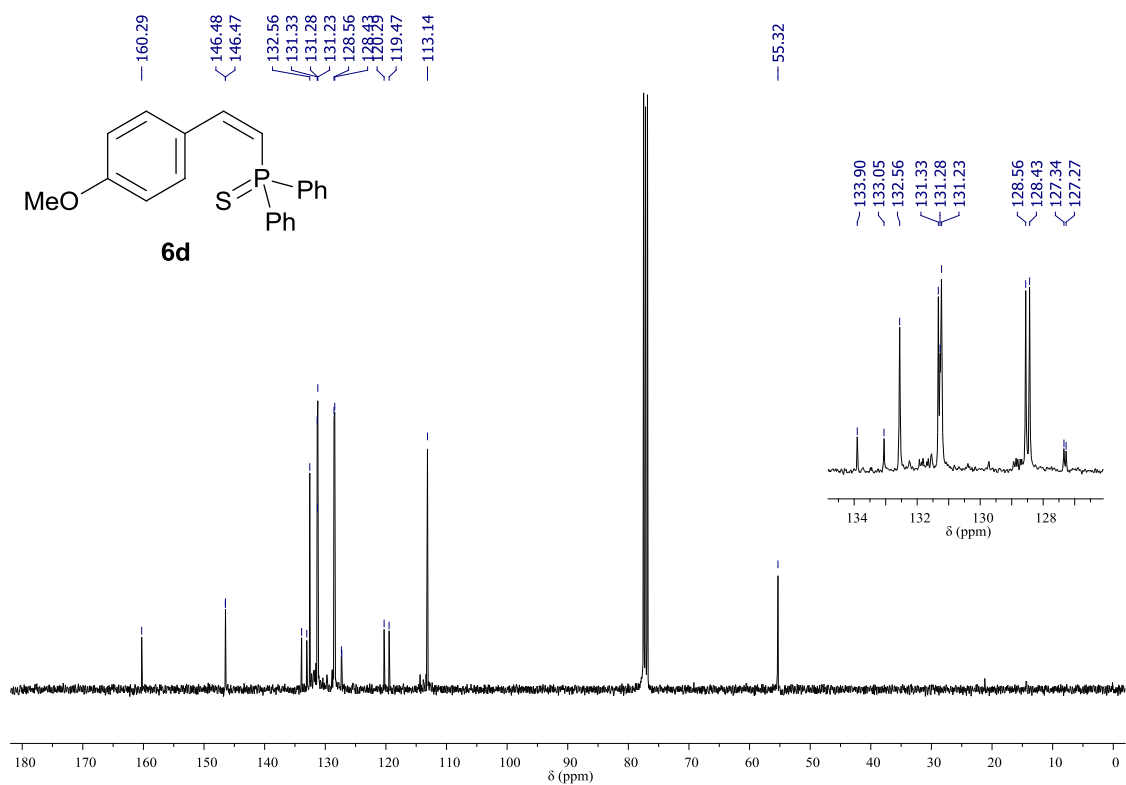


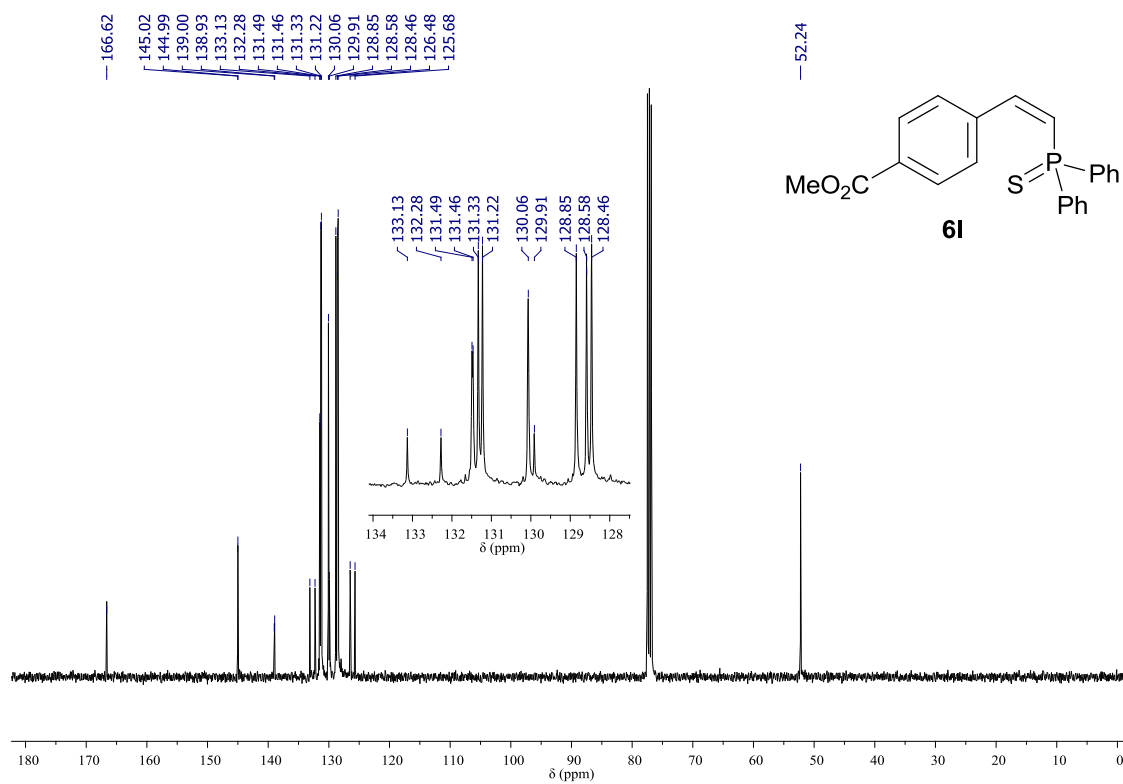
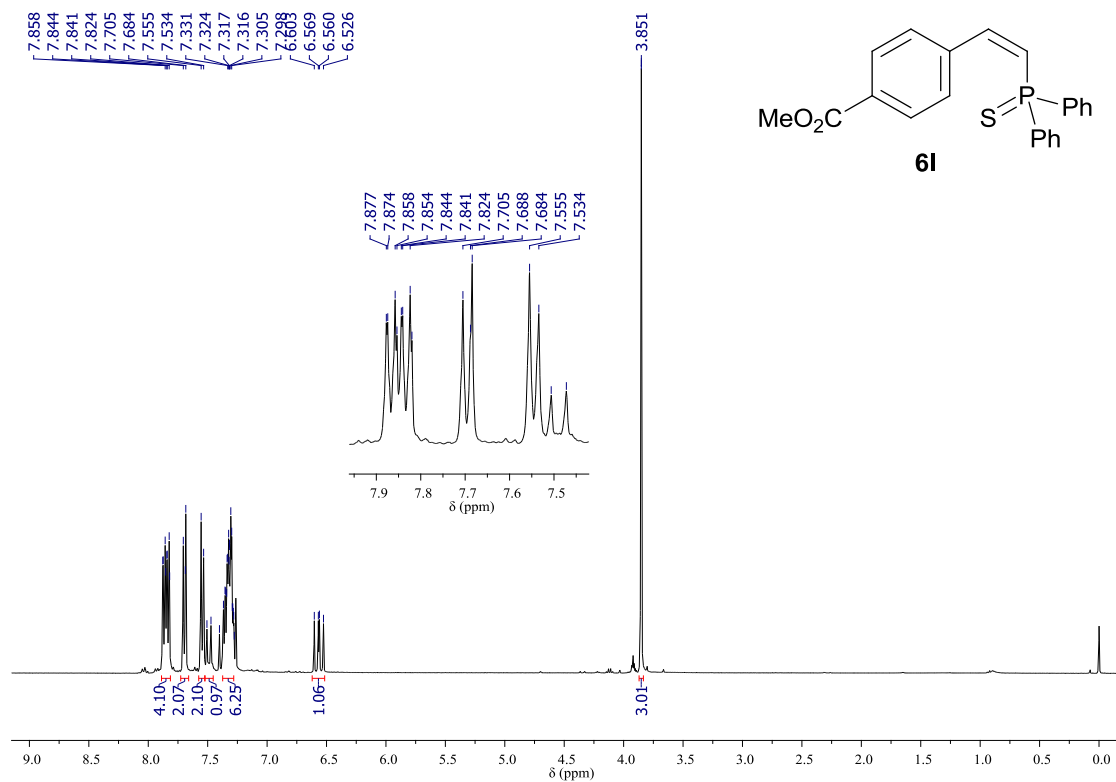


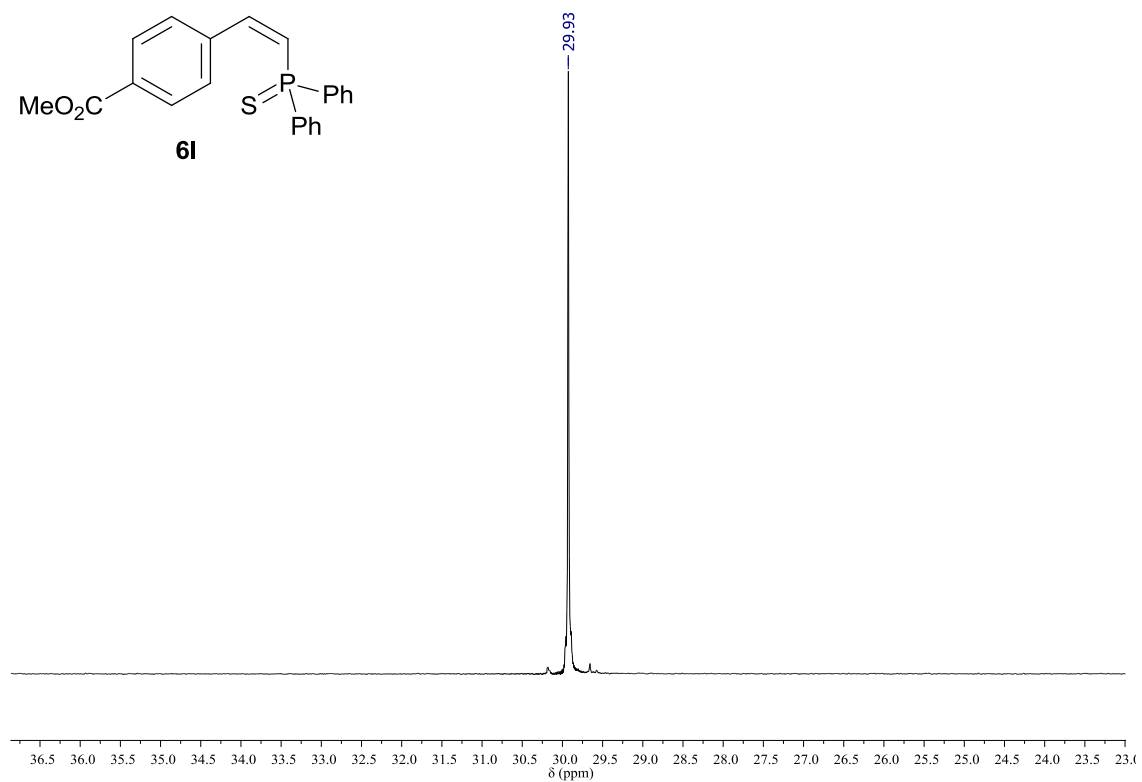


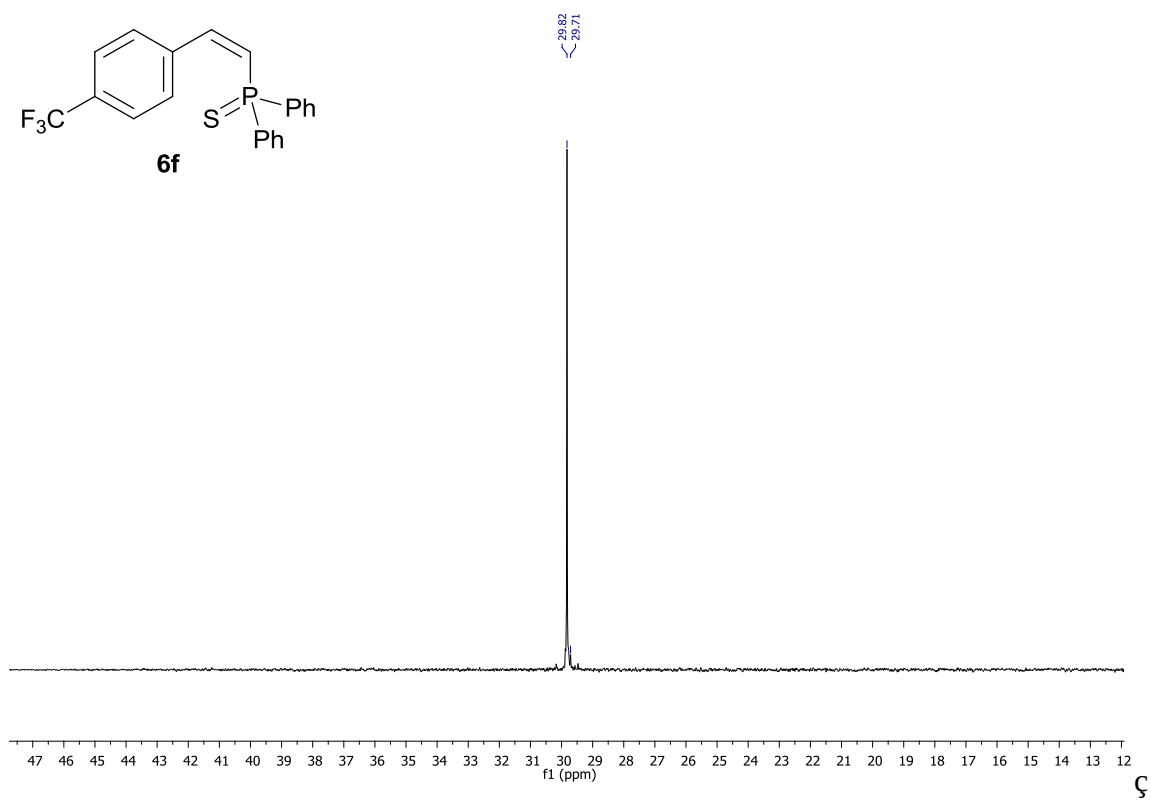
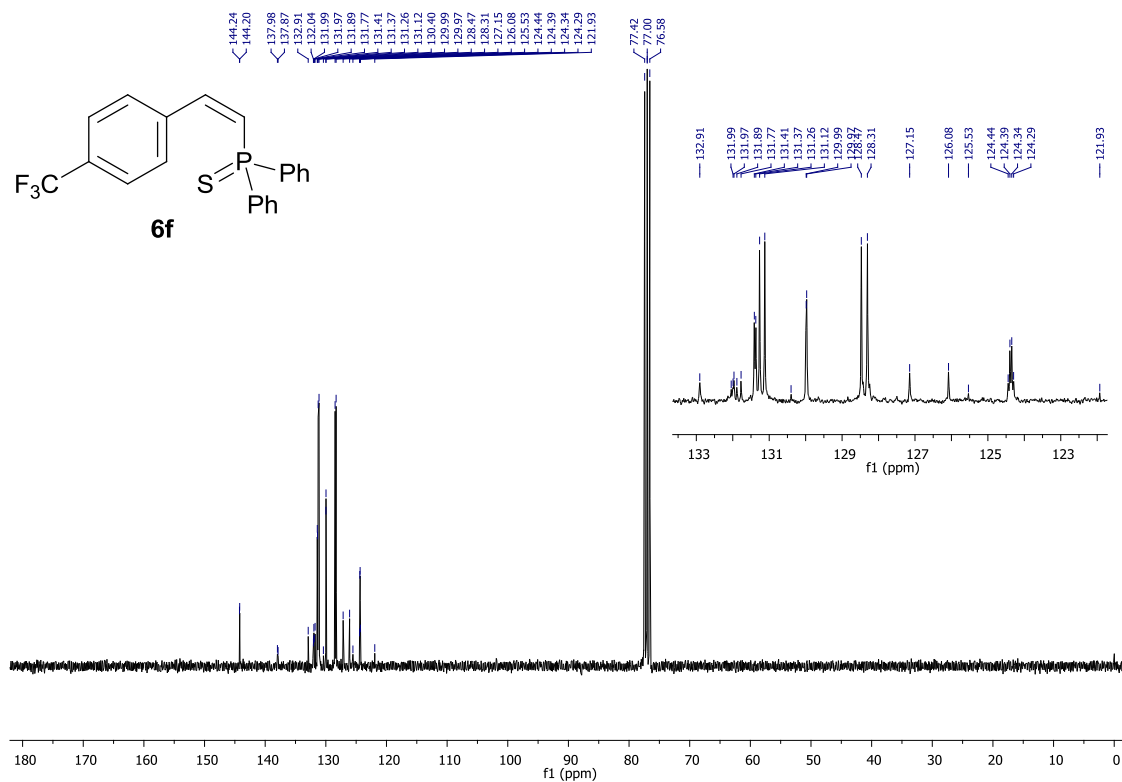


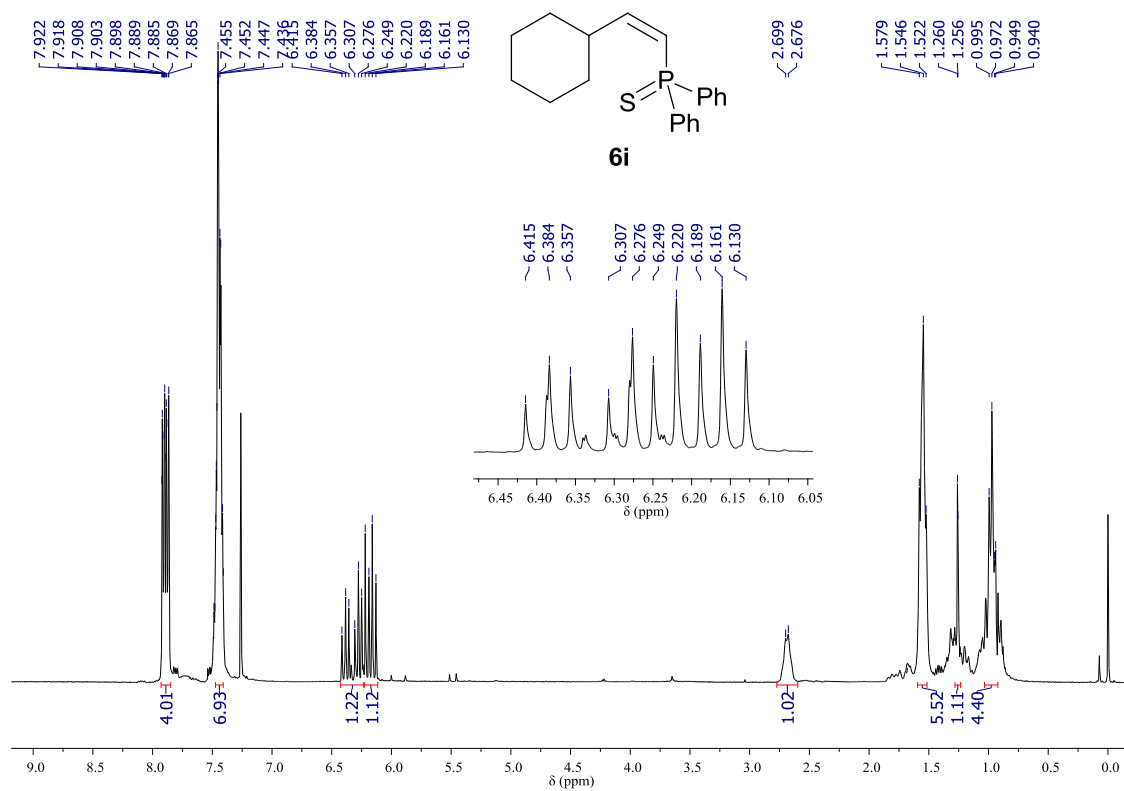
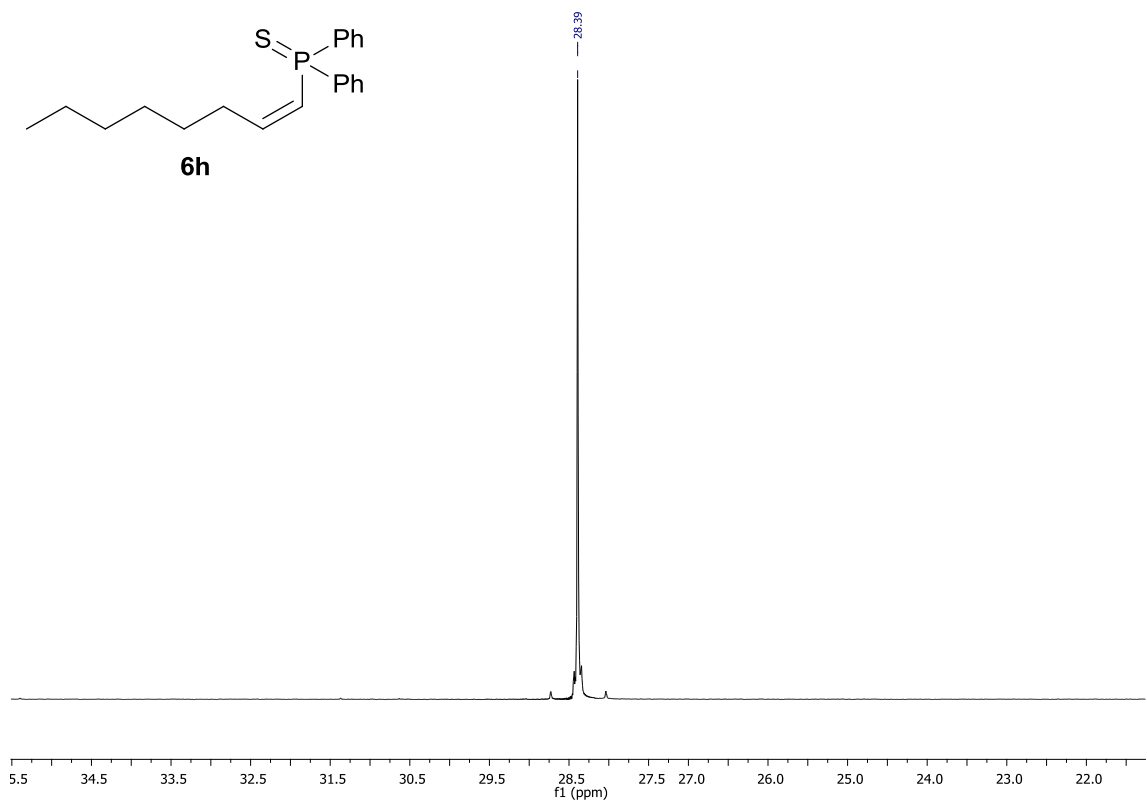


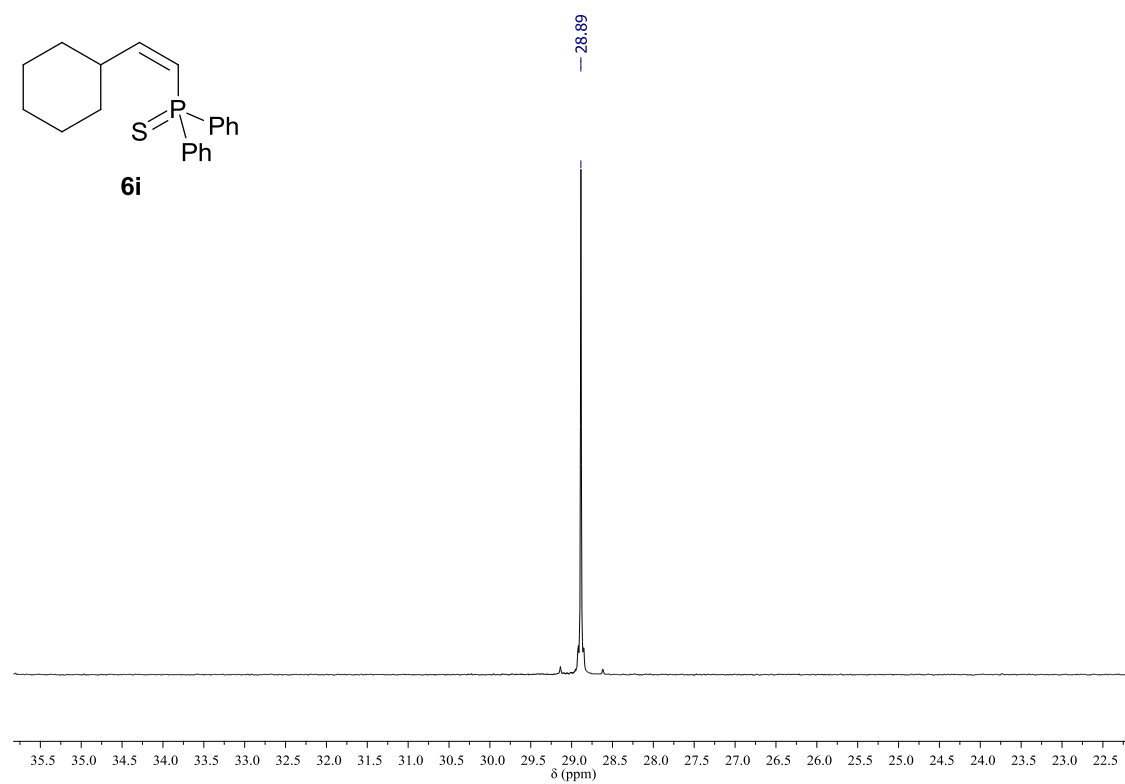
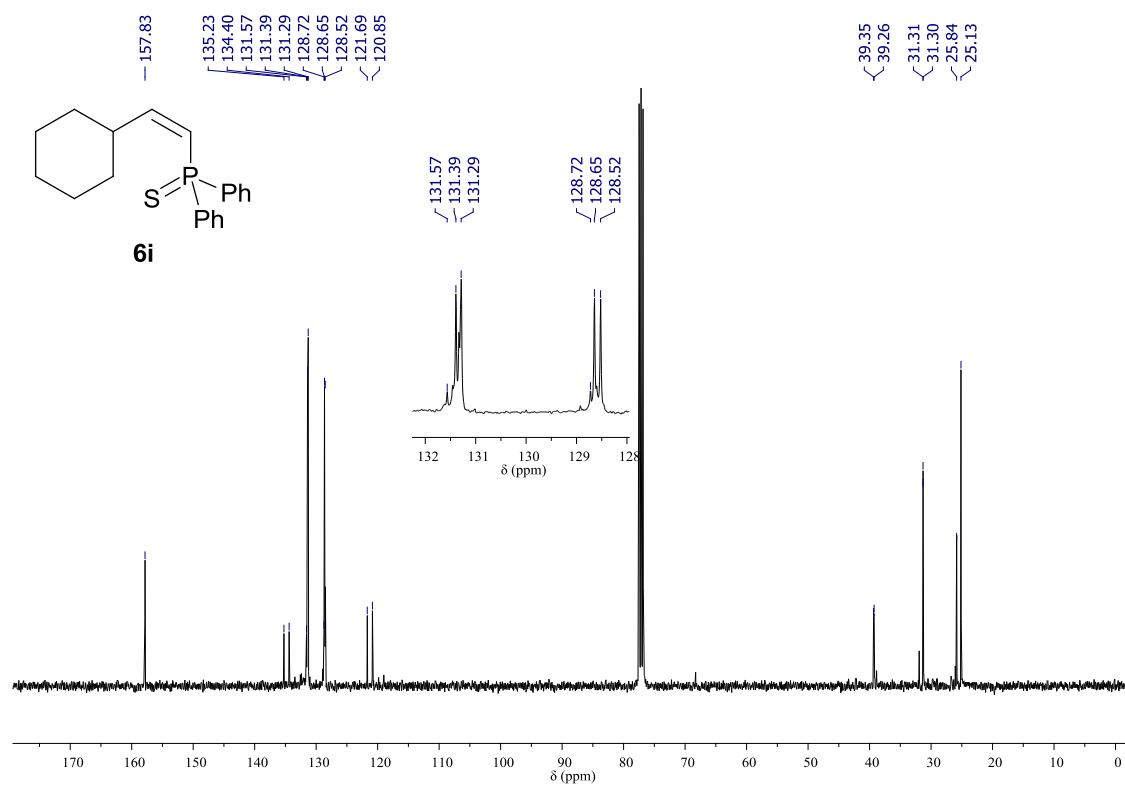


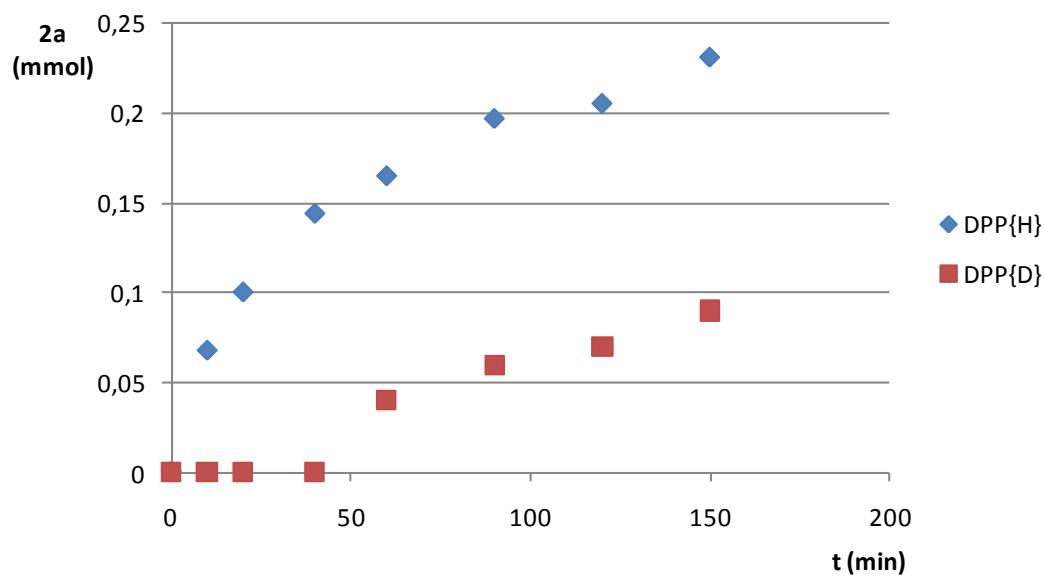
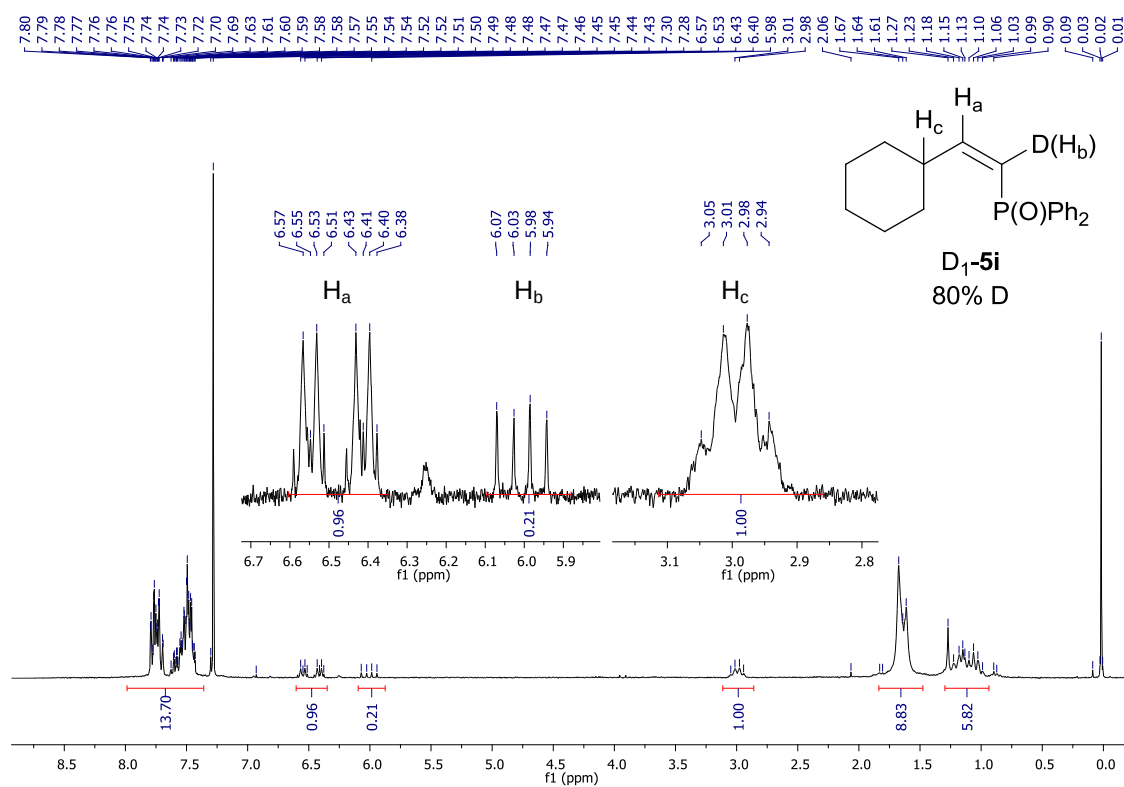












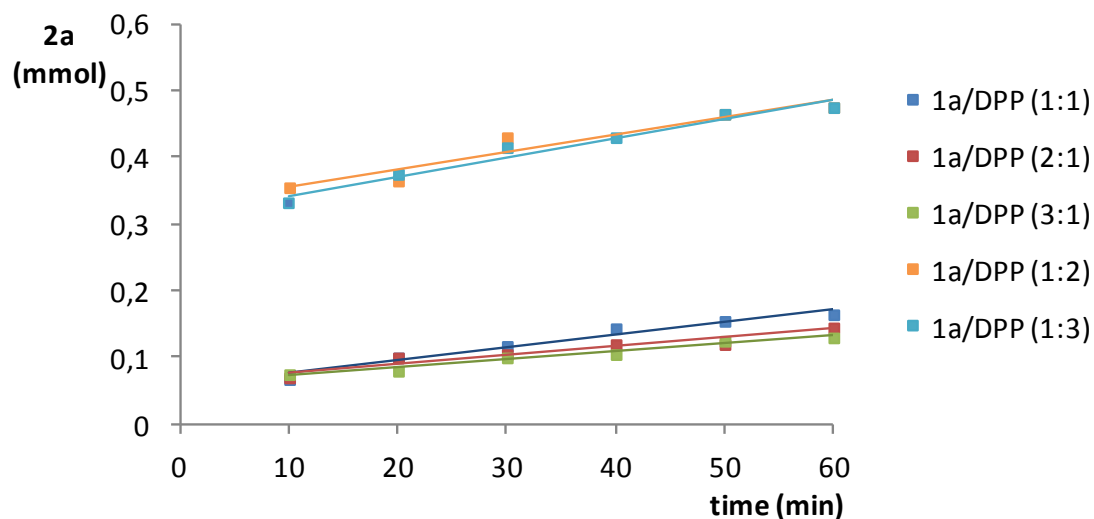


Figure S3. Effect of the styrene (**1a**)/diphenylphosphine (DPP) ratio on the formation of **2a**.

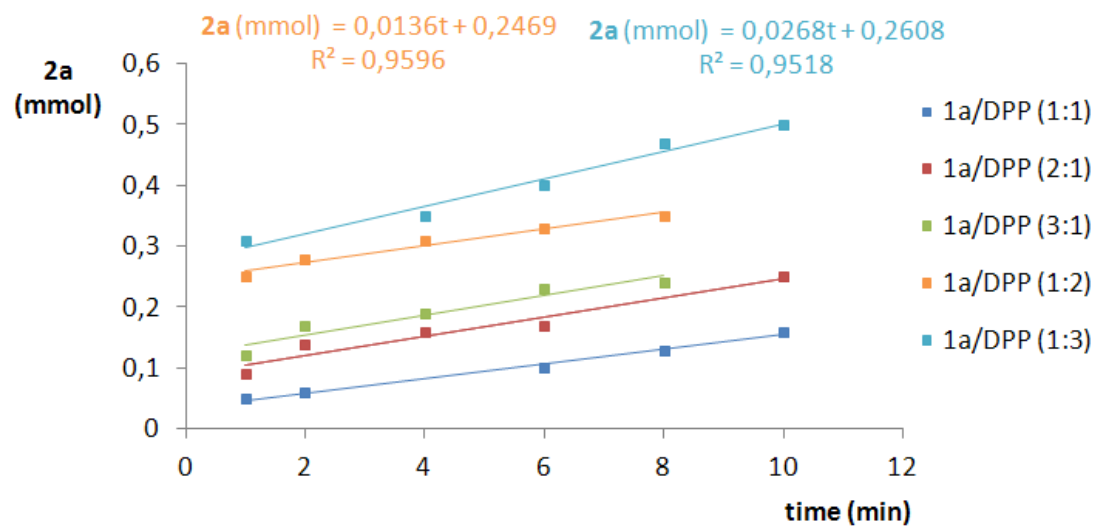


Figure S4. Initial rates determined for the reaction of styrene (**1a**) and diphenylphosphine (DPP).

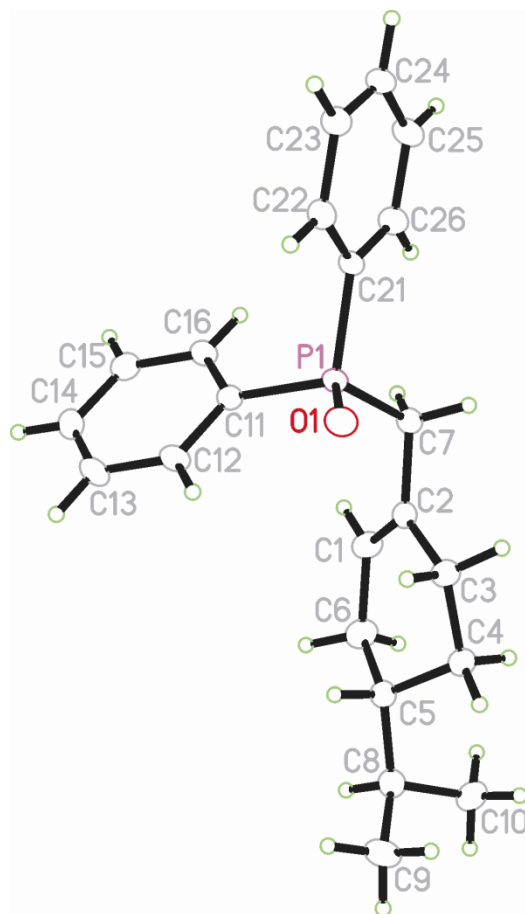


Figure S5. Plot showing the X-ray structure and atomic numbering for compound **2z**.

- Chemical formula: $C_{22}H_{27}OP$
- Formula weight: $M = 338.40$
- Crystal system: monoclinic
- Unit-cell dimensions: $a = 5.7190(3)$, $b = 17.9432(10)$, $c = 9.0209(5)$ Å
- Unit cell volume: $U = 914.22(9)$ Å³
- Temperature: $T = 100(2)$
- Space group symbol: $P2_1$
- No. of formula units in unit cell: $Z = 2$
- Number of reflections measured: 19038
- Number of independent reflections: 3750
- $R_{int} = 0.0271$
- $wR_2 = 0.0741$

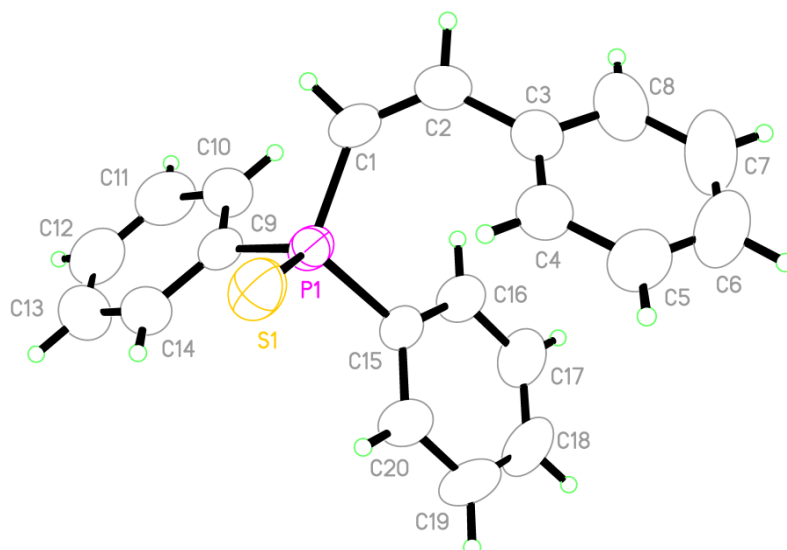


Figure S6. Plot showing the X-ray structure and atomic numbering for compound **6a**.

- Chemical formula: $C_{20}H_{17}PS$
- Formula weight: $M = 320.37$
- Crystal system: monoclinic
- Unit-cell dimensions: $a = 14.697(3)$, $b = 6.6112(11)$, $c = 17.826(3)$ Å
- Unit cell volume: $U = 1719.3(5)$ Å³
- Temperature: $T = 298(1)$
- Space group symbol: P 2₁/n
- No. of formula units in unit cell: $Z = 4$
- Number of reflections measured: 3025
- Number of independent reflections: 2399
- $R_{int} = 0.0538$
- $wR_2 = 0.1062$