

Supporting Information

Tandem Trifluoromethylthiolation/Aryl Migration of Aryl Alkynoates to Trifluoromethylthiolated Alkenes

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1. General Information.

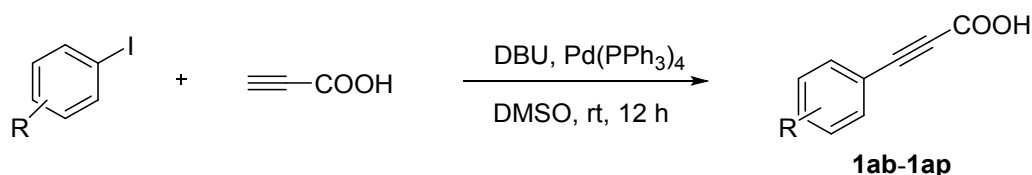
^1H and ^{19}F NMR (CFCl_3 as outside standard and low field is positive) spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM 400 or 600 spectrometer. ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM 400 or 600 spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) were reported in ppm, and coupling constants (J) were in Hertz (Hz). The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet.

Materials: Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were obtained commercially and used without further purification. DMSO and CH_3CN was distilled from CaH_2 and stored with 4 Å molecular sieves. Reactions were performed using glassware that was flame-dried under vacuum.

2. Preparation of Aryl Alkynoates.

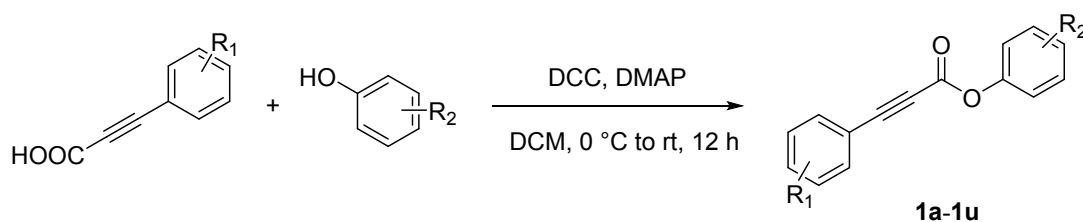
The phenylpropionic acid **1aa** was purchased and used directly from commercial sources. Substrates **1ab-1ap**¹ and **1a-1u**²⁻⁴ were prepared in accordance with methods described in the references.

General methods for preparation of aryl alkynyl carboxylic acids (**1ab-1ap**)¹



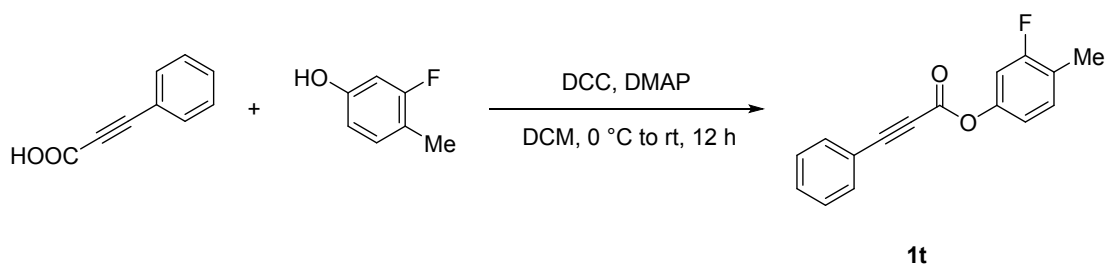
Aryl iodides (6.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DBU (2.01 g, 13.2 mmol, 2.2 equiv), and $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (346.7 mg, 0.3 mmol, 5 mol %) were mixed in DMSO (10 mL). A solution of propiolic acid (462.2 mg, 6.6 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in DMSO (5 mL) was added into the flask. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After the reaction was complete, EtOAc (10 mL) was poured into the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was extracted with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 . The aqueous layer was separated, acidified to pH = 1 by addition of cold HCl (1 N), and extracted with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and filtered, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The resulting crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to provide the desired product.

Preparation of aryl alkynoates (**1a-1u**)²⁻⁴



To a solution of phenol (3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) was added aryl alkynyl carboxylic acids (3.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv) at 0 °C. Then, a mixture of DCC (873.0 mg, 4.4 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and DMAP (36.0 mg, 1.5 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (6 mL) was added dropwise. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. Then the crude mixture was filtered and washed with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL). The combined organic phase was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a residue which was purified by a silica gel column chromatography to give the desired product.

Preparation of 4-fluoro-3-methylphenyl 3-phenylpropiolate **1t**

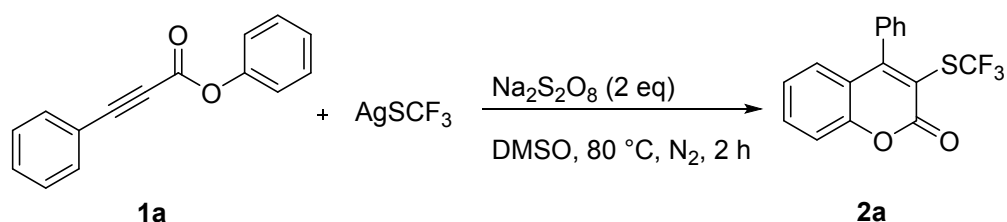


To a solution of 3-fluoro-4-methylphenol (378.4 mg, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) was added 3-phenylpropionic acid (481.8 mg, 3.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv) at 0 °C. Then, a mixture of DCC (873.0 mg, 4.4 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and DMAP (36.0 mg, 1.5 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (6 mL) was added dropwise. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. Then the crude mixture was filtered and washed with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL). The combined organic phase was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a residue which was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether / EtOAc = 100:1) to give product **1t** as a white solid (600.0 mg, 79%). M.p. 55-57 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.83-6.80 (m, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -113.8--113.9 (m, 1F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 161.0 (d, *J* = 246.8 Hz), 152.0, 148.7 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz), 133.2, 131.6 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 131.1, 128.7, 123.1 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz), 119.2, 116.9 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 109.1 (d, *J* = 25.7 Hz), 89.0, 80.1, 14.1 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz). IR (KBr): ν 3334, 1380, 1088, 1046, 880, 629, 430 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) *m/z*: 254 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) *m/z*: Calcd for C₁₆H₁₁FO₂ 254.0743, found [M]⁺: 254.0747.

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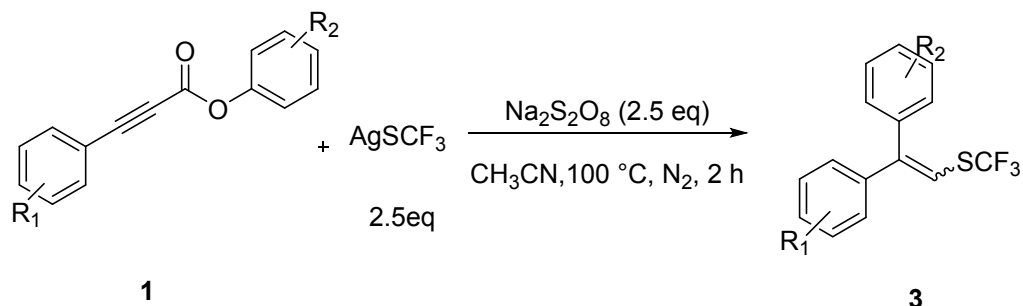
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3. Trifluoromethylthiolation/Cyclization of Aryl Alkynoate **1a**

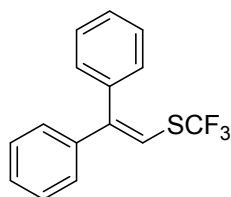


A mixture of **1a** (44.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgSCF₃ (104.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and Na₂S₂O₈ (119.2 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) in DMSO (4.0 mL) was added tube that was sealed with a septum, evacuated, and backfilled with nitrogen three times. DMSO (4.0 mL) was added to the tube. Then, the tube was stirred at 80 °C for 2 h. After the reaction was complete, saturated ammonium chloride solution was added. The resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography with PE:EA=100:1 to give product **2a** as a yellow solid (50.9 mg, 79%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.18 (m, 3H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -40.40 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 165.6, 159.3, 154.0, 134.2, 134.0, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7 (q, *J* = 313.1 Hz), 128.6, 128.2, 124.8, 120.2, 117.1, 113.1. MS (EI) *m/z*: 322 [M]⁺. These data matched those previously reported in reference *Org. Chem. Front.*, 2015, **2**, 1511.

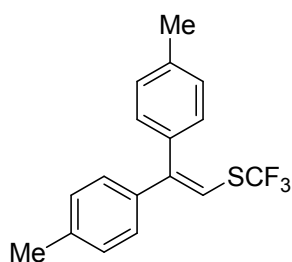
4. Trifluoromethylthiolation/Aryl Migration of Aryl Alkynoates (3a-3u)



A mixture of **1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgSCF₃ (104.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and Na₂S₂O₈ (119.2 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added tube that was sealed with a septum, evacuated, and backfilled with nitrogen three times. CH₃CN (4.0 mL) was added to the tube. Then, the tube was stirred at 100 °C for 2 h. After the reaction was complete, saturated ammonium chloride solution was added. The resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography with PE to give the desired product (**3a-3u**).

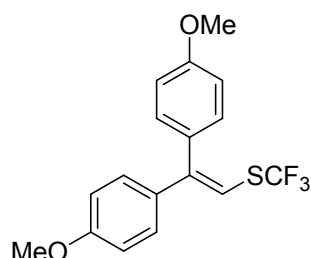


(2,2-Diphenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3a) (31.0 mg, 52%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.34 (q, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3H), 7.23-7.13 (m, 7H), 6.69 (s, 1H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.46 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (101MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 145.5, 139.2, 137.0, 128.7 (q, *J* = 310.1 Hz), 128.3, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 126.4, 111.0 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1495, 1444, 1285, 1109, 736, 698, 625, 486 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) *m/z*: 280 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) *m/z*: Calcd for C₁₅H₁₁F₃S 280.0534, found [M]⁺: 280.0526. These data matched those previously reported in reference *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 4395.

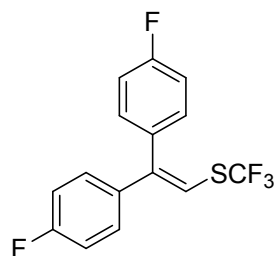


(2,2-Di-p-tolylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3b) (40.7 mg, 66%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.17-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.07-7.01 (m, 6H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.74 (s, 3F). ¹³C

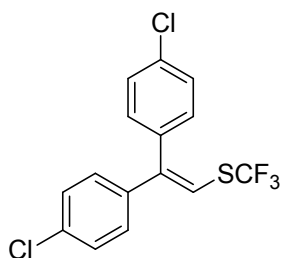
NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.6, 137.4, 137.3, 136.7, 134.2, 128.8 (q, J = 309.1 Hz), 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 126.4, 109.6 (q, J = 3.2 Hz), 20.3, 20.1. IR (KBr): ν 2921, 1612, 1514, 1164, 1110, 929, 822, 771 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z : 308 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for C₁₇H₁₅F₃S 308.0847, found [M]⁺: 308.0838. These data match those previously reported in reference *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 4395.



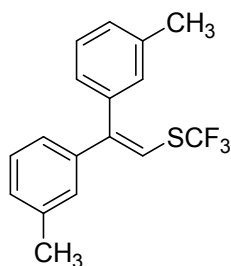
(2,2-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)vinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3c) (39.4 mg, 58%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.11-7.04 (m, 4H), 6.87-6.83 (m, 2H), 6.77-6.73 (m, 2H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.83 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 159.9, 159.7, 146.6, 133.4, 130.8, 130.6, 128.9, 128.8 (q, J = 310.7 Hz), 113.9, 113.8, 109.1 (q, J = 3.2 Hz), 55.34, 55.28. IR (KBr): ν 1607, 1511, 1250, 1108, 1034, 835, 816, 584 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z : 340 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for C₁₇H₁₅F₃O₂S 340.0745, found [M]⁺: 340.0736. These data match those previously reported in reference *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 4395.



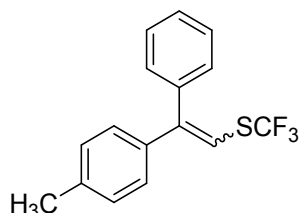
(2,2-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)vinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3d) (42.3 mg, 67%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.13-7.09 (m, 4H), 7.05-7.01 (m, 2H), 6.96-6.91 (m, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.56 (s, 3F), -112.09--112.17 (m, 1F), -112.87--112.94 (m, 1F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 161.9 (d, J = 249.0 Hz), 161.7 (d, J = 248.9 Hz), 143.6, 135.3 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 132.8 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 128.6 (q, J = 309.1 Hz), 128.1 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 114.8 (d, J = 31.2 Hz), 114.6 (d, J = 31.3 Hz), 111.2. IR (KBr): ν 1603, 1511, 1233, 1160, 1111, 841, 733, 576 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z : 316 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for C₁₅H₉F₅S 316.0345, found [M]⁺: 316.0334. These data match those previously reported in reference *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 4395.



(2,2-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)vinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3e) (39.8 mg, 57%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.32 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 4H), 6.61 (s, 1H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.42 (s, 3F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 144.1, 138.4, 136.0, 134.9, 134.6, 130.8, 129.6 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 113.3 (q, $J = 3.4$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 2254, 1493, 1114, 1015, 903, 724, 650, 520 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 348 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_2\text{F}_3\text{S}$ 347.9754, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 347.9760. These data matched those previously reported in reference *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 4395.

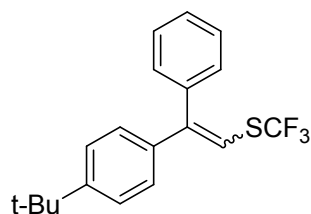


(2,2-Di-m-tolylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3f) (32.7 mg, 53%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.20 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.92 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.62 (s, 3F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 146.7, 140.5, 138.4, 138.21, 138.18, 129.9, 129.6 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 129.4, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 126.5, 124.7, 111.8 (q, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 21.48, 21.46. IR (KBr): ν 1603, 1487, 1158, 1107, 838, 778, 758, 698 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 308 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{S}$ 308.0847, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 308.0840. These data matched those previously reported in reference *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 4395.

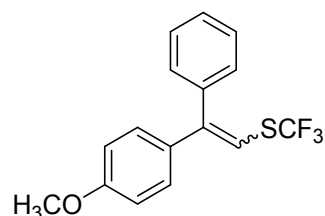


(2-Phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)vinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3g) (E/Z = 1:1) (36.5 mg, 62%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.39-7.32 (m, 1.5H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1.5H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 3H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 3H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 1.5H), 2.31 (s, 1.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.58 (s, 1.5F), -42.58 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C

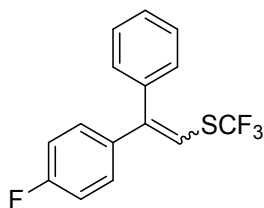
NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 145.7, 145.4, 139.5, 137.5, 137.3, 137.2, 136.5, 134.1, 128.82 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.32, 128.27, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 127.2, 126.4, 126.3, 110.6 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 110.0 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 20.3, 20.1. IR (KBr): ν 3055, 1422, 1265, 898, 731, 703 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z : 294 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for C₁₆H₁₃F₃S 294.0690, found [M]⁺: 294.0697.



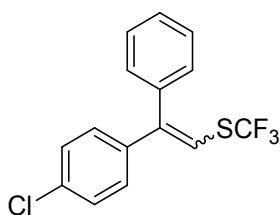
(2-(4-(Tert-butyl)phenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3h) (E/Z = 1:1) (42.4 mg, 63%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.41-7.36 (m, 2.5H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 1.5H), 7.26 (s, 1.5H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 1.5H), 6.68 (s, 0.5H), 6.64 (s, 0.5H), 1.34 (s, 4.5H), 1.30 (s, 4.5H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.58 (s, 1.5F), -42.64 (s, 1.5F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 150.5, 145.6, 145.2, 139.6, 137.2, 136.3, 134.0, 128.9 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.8 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.3, 128.0, 127.5, 127.39, 127.35, 126.5, 126.0, 124.4, 124.3, 110.7 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 110.1 (q, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 33.6, 33.5, 30.2, 30.1. IR (KBr): ν 2964, 1150, 1105, 937, 842, 809, 754, 700, 630 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z : 336 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for C₁₉H₁₉F₃S 336.1160, found [M]⁺: 336.1156.



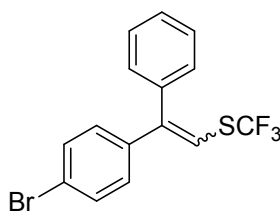
(2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3i) (E/Z = 1:1) (42.2 mg, 68%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.34-7.27 (m, 1.5 H), 7.22-7.21 (m, 1.5H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.07 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 0.5H), 6.83 (s, 0.5H), 6.76 (s, 0.5H), 6.73 (s, 0.5H), 6.53 (s, 0.5H), 6.50 (s, 0.5H), 3.74 (s, 1.5H), 3.70 (s, 1.5H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.68 (s, 1.5F), -42.73 (s, 1.5F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 158.8, 158.7, 145.8, 145.2, 139.7, 137.3, 131.9, 129.7, 129.3, 128.8 (q, $J = 309.7$ Hz), 128.4, 127.7, 127.5, 127.44, 127.39, 127.3, 126.5, 112.9, 112.8, 110.2 (q, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 108.6 (q, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 54.3, 54.2. IR (KBr): ν 1607, 1510, 1251, 1166, 1108, 1033, 839, 735, 699 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z : 310 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for C₁₆H₁₃F₃OS 310.0639, found [M]⁺: 310.0636.



(2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3j) (E/Z = 1:1) (30.4 mg, 51%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) : δ ppm 7.36-7.29 (m, 1.5H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 1.5H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 4H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 0.5H), 6.55 (s, 0.5H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.51 (s, 1.5F), -42.64 (s, 1.5F), -112.40--112.47 (m, 0.5F), -113.19--113.26 (m, 0.5F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 161.8 (d, *J* = 248.7 Hz), 161.6 (d, *J* = 248.6 Hz), 139.1, 135.5 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 132.9 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 136.9, 130.3 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 128.7 (q, *J* = 308.7 Hz), 128.6 (q, *J* = 308.4 Hz), 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.52, 127.49, 114.7 (d, *J* = 30.8 Hz), 114.5 (d, *J* = 30.8 Hz), 111.4 (q, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 110.9 (q, *J* = 3.2 Hz). IR (KBr): ν 2924, 1603, 1508, 444, 1234, 1165, 1111, 844, 756 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z: 298 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z: Calcd for C₁₅H₁₀F₄S 298.0439, found [M]⁺: 298.0447.

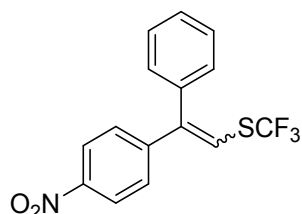


2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3k) (E/Z = 1:1) (29.6 mg, 47%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.41-7.34 (m, 2.5H), 7.28-7.27 (m, 1.5H), 7.24-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (s, 0.5H), 6.68 (s, 0.5H). ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm -42.42 (s, 1.5F), -42.48 (s, 1.5F). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 144.5, 143.9, 138.9, 137.6, 136.6, 135.4, 133.5, 133.3, 129.8, 128.7 (q, *J* = 309.1 Hz), 128.6 (q, *J* = 309.1 Hz), 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 127.61, 127.58, 127.5, 127.3, 126.3, 111.7 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 111.5 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1489, 1265, 1167, 1107, 1015, 935, 755, 701 cm⁻¹. MS (EI) m/z: 314 [M]⁺. HRMS (EI) m/z: Calcd for C₁₅H₁₀ClF₃S 314.0144, found [M]⁺: 314.0142.

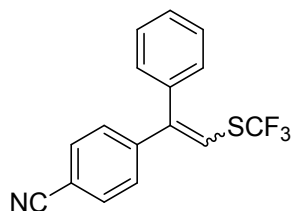


(2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3l) (E/Z = 1:1) (37.3 mg, 52%): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ppm 7.65-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.49 (m, 2.5H), 7.43-7.41 (m, 1.5H), 7.32-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.20 (m, 2H), 6.84 (s,

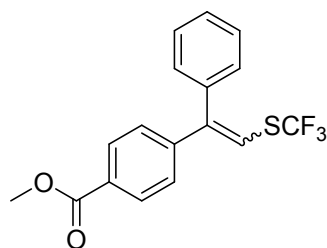
0.5H), 6.83 (s, 0.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.49 (s, 1.5F), -42.55 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 145.7, 145.1, 139.9, 139.3, 137.6, 137.0, 132.0, 131.7, 131.2, 129.81 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 129.78 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.4, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.70, 128.68, 127.5, 122.9, 122.7, 113.0 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 112.7 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1494, 1167, 1109, 1011, 807, 756, 700 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 358 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrF}_3\text{S}$ 357.9639, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 357.9637.



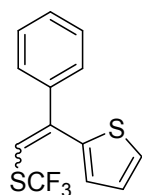
(2-(4-Nitrophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl) (trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3m) (E/Z = 1:1) (36.4 mg, 56%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 8.32-8.31 (m, 1H), 8.21-8.19 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.45 (m, 2.5H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 1.5H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 6.93 (s, 0.5H), 6.85 (s, 0.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.34 (s, 1.5F), -42.35 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 147.7, 147.4, 146.1, 144.9, 144.7, 142.9, 139.2, 136.8, 130.5, 129.5 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.4 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.23, 129.15, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 127.9, 127.3, 124.0, 123.8, 117.1 (q, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 114.1 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1521, 1349, 1265, 1111, 853, 733, 702 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 325 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ 325.0384, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 325.0378.



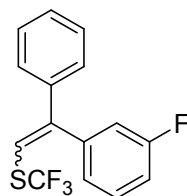
4-(1-Phenyl-2-((trifluoromethyl)thio)vinyl)benzonitrile (3n) (E/Z = 1:1) (27.4 mg, 45%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.75 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 1.5H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 3.5H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 6.89 (s, 0.5H), 6.83 (s, 0.5H). ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.34 (s, 1.5F), -42.37 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 145.3, 144.3, 143.5, 142.8, 139.3, 136.8, 132.5, 132.3, 130.3, 129.5 (q, $J = 308.4$ Hz), 129.4 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.19, 129.15, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 127.8, 127.4, 118.6, 118.4, 116.2 (q, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 113.8 (q, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 112.5, 111.8. IR (KBr): ν 3030, 1103, 803, 755, 696, 542 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 305 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{NS}$ 305.0486, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 305.0481.



Methyl 4-(1-phenyl-2-((trifluoromethyl)thio)vinyl)benzoate (3o) (E/Z = 1:1) (43.2 mg, 64%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 8.15 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 0.5H), 8.14 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 0.5H), 8.03 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 0.5H), 8.02 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 0.5H), 7.49-7.43 (m, 1.5H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 3.5H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 6.88 (s, 0.5H), 6.81 (s, 0.5H), 3.97 (s, 1.5H), 3.95 (s, 1.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.46 (s, 1.5F), -42.49 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 166.59, 166.55, 145.8, 144.7, 144.4, 142.7, 139.7, 137.5, 130.3, 130.0, 129.82, 129.78, 129.70 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.67 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.5, 129.3, 128.9, 128.68, 128.65, 127.4, 127.3, 114.8 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 113.1 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 52.21, 52.15. IR (KBr): ν 1721, 1436, 1274, 1166, 1099, 1019, 755, 699 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 338 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ 338.0588, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 338.0585.

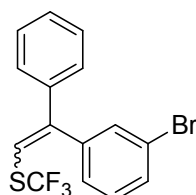


2-(1-Phenyl-2-((trifluoromethyl)thio)vinyl)thiophene (3P) (E/Z = 3:2) (40.0 mg, 54%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.30-7.27 (m, 2.2H), 7.22 (s, 2.2H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 1.2H), 7.08 (t, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 0.8H), 6.94-6.92 (m, 1H), 6.81-6.79 (m, 0.6H), 6.62 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz, 0.6H), 6.40 (s, 0.4H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.48 (s, 1.8F), -42.63 (s, 1.2F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 144.1, 141.4, 141.0, 139.8, 139.2, 137.4, 129.8 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 129.7 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 129.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.70, 127.66, 127.1, 127.0, 126.3, 111.7 (q, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 109.2 (q, $J = 3.2$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1237, 1162, 1102, 847, 803, 756, 695, 615 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 286 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{S}_2$ 286.0098, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 286.0096.



(2-(3-Fluorophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3q) (E/Z = 1:1) (39.8 mg, 58%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.38-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.27 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1.5H), 7.20-7.16 (m, 2.5H), 7.05-6.96 (m, 1.5H), 6.91 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1.5H), 6.73 (s, 0.5H), 6.72 (s, 0.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.47 (s, 3F), -

111.68--111.75 (m, 0.5F), -112.41--112.45 (m, 0.5F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 161.8 (d, $J = 246.6$ Hz), 144.2, 143.7, 141.3 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 139.1 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 138.7, 136.5, 129.2 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 128.9 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 128.7 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.2, 127.8, 127.5, 126.3, 124.1 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 122.0 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J = 21.8$ Hz), 114.4 (d, $J = 42.4$ Hz), 114.2 (d, $J = 42.7$ Hz), 113.3 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 112.6 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 111.8 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 3030, 1160, 1103, 783, 803, 755, 694 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 298 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_4\text{S}$ 298.0439, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 298.0438.



(2-(3-Bromophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3r) (E/Z = 1:1)

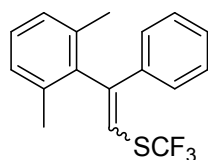
^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.68-7.66 (m, 0.5H), 7.61-7.60 (m, 0.5H), 7.59-7.57 (m, 1.5H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 1.5H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 2.5H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.5H), 6.94 (s, 0.5H), 6.93 (s, 0.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.45 (s, 1.5F), -42.47 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 145.3, 144.8, 142.5, 140.3, 139.8, 137.6, 132.4, 131.8, 131.4, 130.5, 130.4, 130.1, 129.92 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.90 (q, $J = 308.0$ Hz), 129.4, 129.02, 129.00, 128.8, 128.2, 127.5, 126.2, 123.04, 122.99, 114.0 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 113.2 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1540, 1167, 1149, 1103, 947, 774, 754, 699, 473 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 358 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrF}_3\text{S}$ 357.9639, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 357.9635.



(2-(4-Iodophenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3r) (E/Z = 1:1) (48.7 mg, 60%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.65 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 1.5H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 1.5H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 2H), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.61 (s, 1H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.42 (s, 1.5F), -42.46 (s, 1.5F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 144.5, 144.0, 138.73, 138.68, 136.8, 136.6, 136.43, 136.40, 130.2, 128.60 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.57 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 126.4, 127.3, 111.9 (q, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 111.5 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 93.6, 93.2. IR (KBr): ν 1485, 1390, 1168, 1111, 1007, 907, 808, 732 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 406 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{IS}$ 405.9500, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 405.9489.



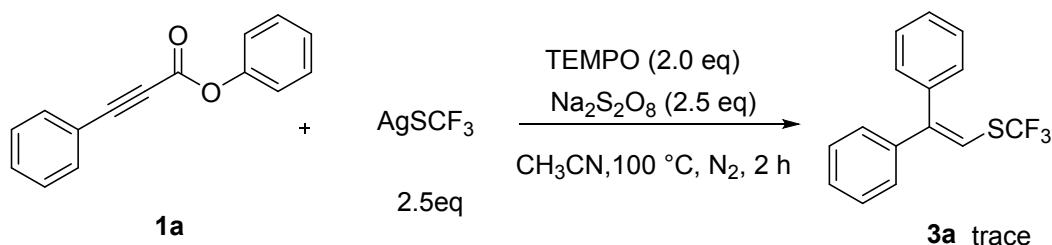
(2-(3-Fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3t) (E/Z = 1:1) (35.0 mg, 56%): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.39-7.34 (m, 1.5H), 7.26 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1.5H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 2.5H), 7.06 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 0.5H), 6.92-6.85 (m, 2H), 6.69 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 1.5H), 2.22 (s, 1.5H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -42.55 (s, 3F), -116.13 (t, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 0.5F), -116.79 (t, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 0.5F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 160.19 (d, $J = 247.5$ Hz), 160.18 (d, $J = 246.4$ Hz), 144.2 (d, $J = 17.5$ Hz), 138.9, 138.7 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 136.6, 136.3 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 130.6 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 130.3 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 128.7 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.2, 127.7, 127.5 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 126.4, 124.5, 124.3, 124.1, 124.0, 123.90 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 123.86 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 121.5 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 114.0 (d, $J = 208.1$ Hz), 113.8 (d, $J = 208.7$ Hz), 13.4 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 13.2 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz). IR (KBr): ν 1505, 1161, 1102, 1002, 889, 804, 755, 697 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 312 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_4\text{S}$ 312.0596, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 312.0590.



(2-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl)(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (3u) (E/Z = 1:0.45) (13.0 mg, 21%): colorless oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 7.34-7.28 (m, 3.0H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 2.0H), 7.17 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 0.8H), 7.12 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1.5H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.7H), 6.95 (s, 0.7H), 6.26 (s, 0.3H), 2.18 (s, 1.9H), 2.12 (s, 4.1H). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm -41.85 (s, 2.1F), -42.91 (s, 0.9F). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ ppm 144.6, 142.8, 137.21, 137.17, 136.6, 136.5, 136.1, 129.1 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 129.0 (q, $J = 309.1$ Hz), 128.8, 128.44, 128.41, 128.39, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 125.6, 113.4 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 112.8 (q, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 20.4, 19.5. IR (KBr): ν 3326, 1380, 1088, 1046, 880, 635 cm^{-1} . MS (EI) m/z : 308 $[\text{M}]^+$. HRMS (EI) m/z : Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{S}$ 308.0847, found $[\text{M}]^+$: 308.0836.

5. Mechanistic Investigation

Radical trapping experiments



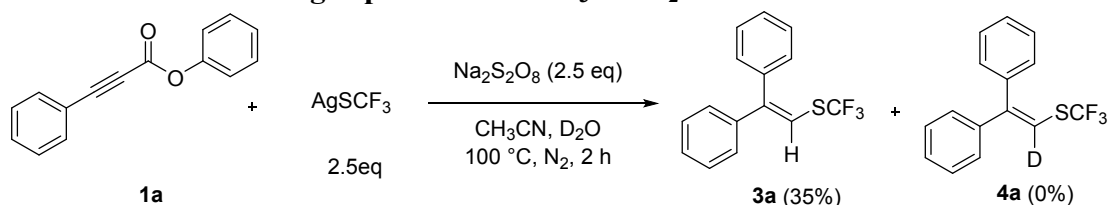
The experimental procedures for radical capture with TEMPO:

A mixture of **1a** (44.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgSCF_3 (104.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv), TEMPO (62.5 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ (119.2 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added tube that was sealed with a septum, evacuated, and backfilled with nitrogen three times. CH_3CN (4.0 mL) was added to the tube. Then, the tube was

stirred at 100 °C for 2 h. Only trace of the desired product **3a** was detected by ^{19}F NMR.

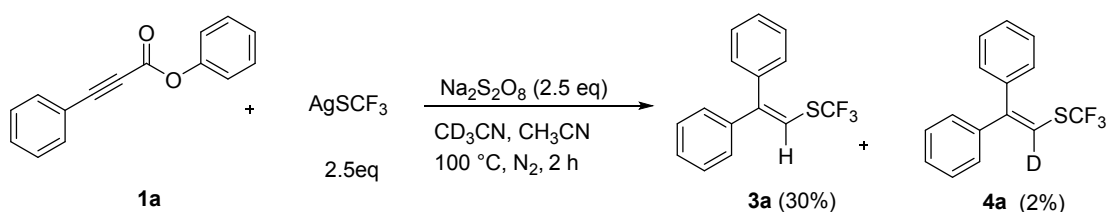
The deuterium labeling experiments

The deuterium labeling experiment in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{D}_2\text{O}$



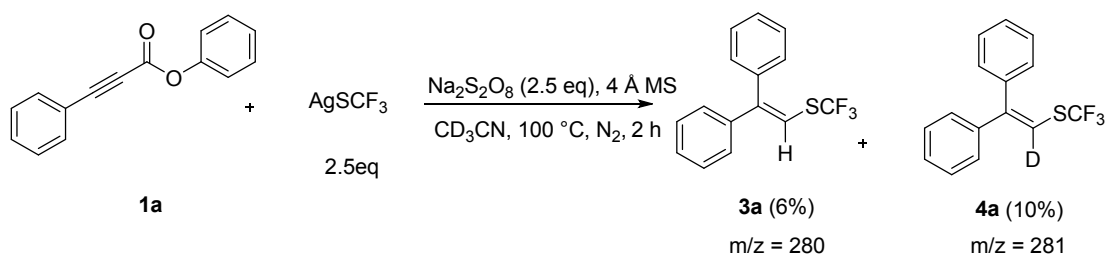
A mixture of **1** (44.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgSCF_3 (104.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ (119.2 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added tube that was sealed with a septum, evacuated, and backfilled with nitrogen three times. The mixture of CH_3CN (2.0 mL) and D_2O (2.0 mL) was added to the tube. Then, the tube was stirred at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 2 h. Product **3a** was formed in 35% yield (detected by ^{19}F NMR), and no deuterated product **4a** was detected by ^{19}F NMR.

The deuterium labeling experiment in $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}/\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$



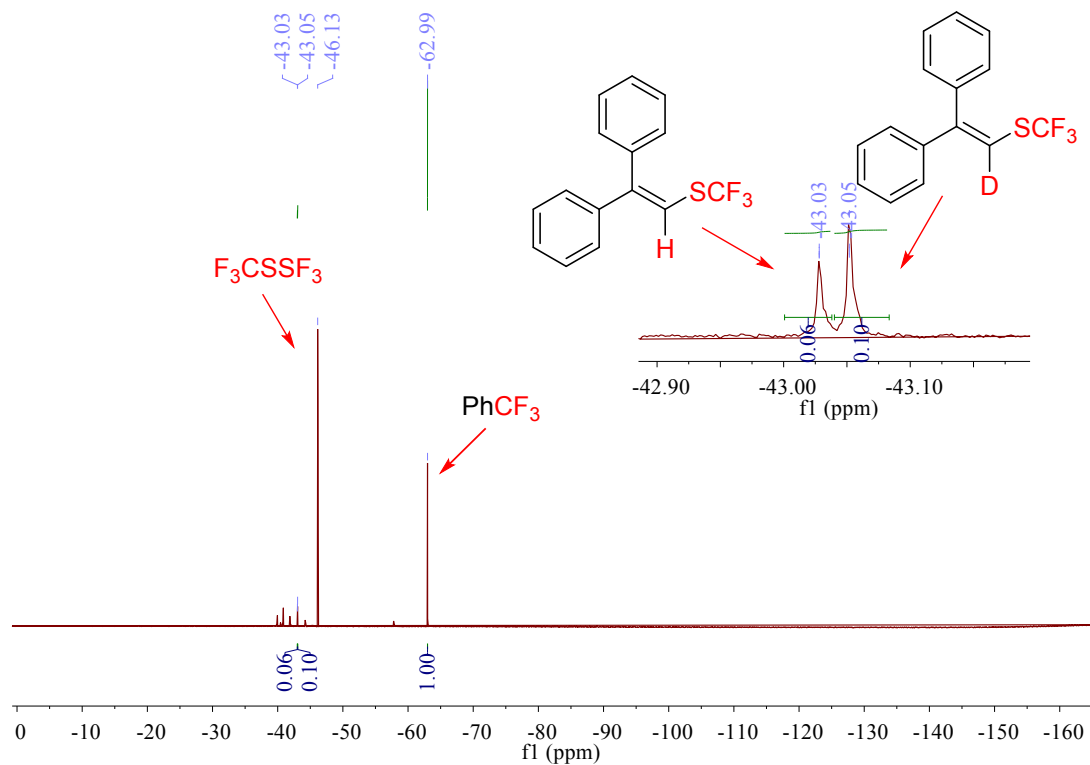
A mixture of **1** (44.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgSCF_3 (104.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ (119.2 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added tube that was sealed with a septum, evacuated, and backfilled with nitrogen three times. The mixture of CD_3CN (2.0 mL) and CH_3CN (2.0 mL) was added to the tube. Then, the tube was stirred at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 2 h. Product **3a** was formed in 30% yield (detected by ^{19}F NMR), and only trace of deuterated product **4a** (2%) was detected by ^{19}F NMR.

The deuterium labeling experiment in CD_3CN



A mixture of **1** (44.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgSCF_3 (104.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ (119.2 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added tube that was sealed with a septum, evacuated, and backfilled with nitrogen three times. CD_3CN (4.0 mL) was added to the tube. Then, the tube was stirred at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 2 h. Product **3a** was

formed in 6% yield (detected by ^{19}F NMR). The deuterated product **4a** (10%) was detected by ^{19}F NMR and GC-MS.



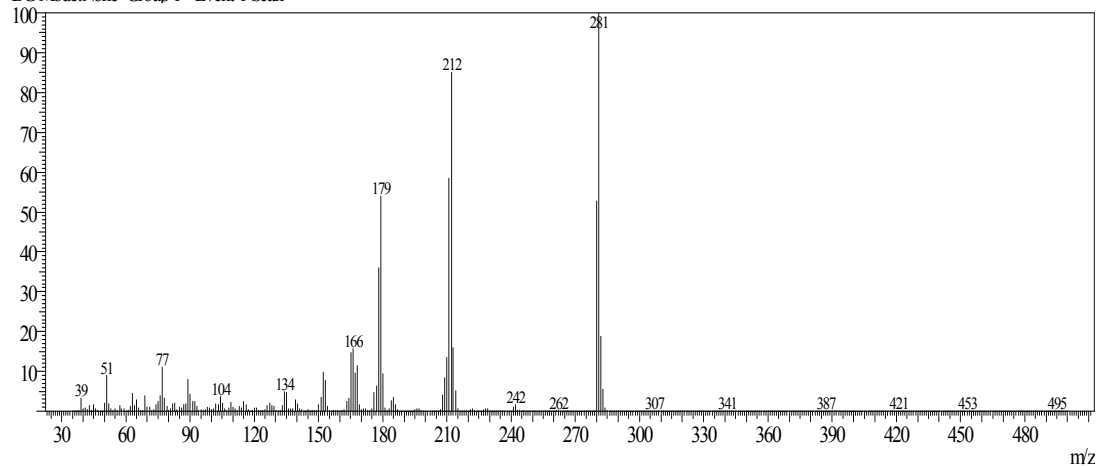
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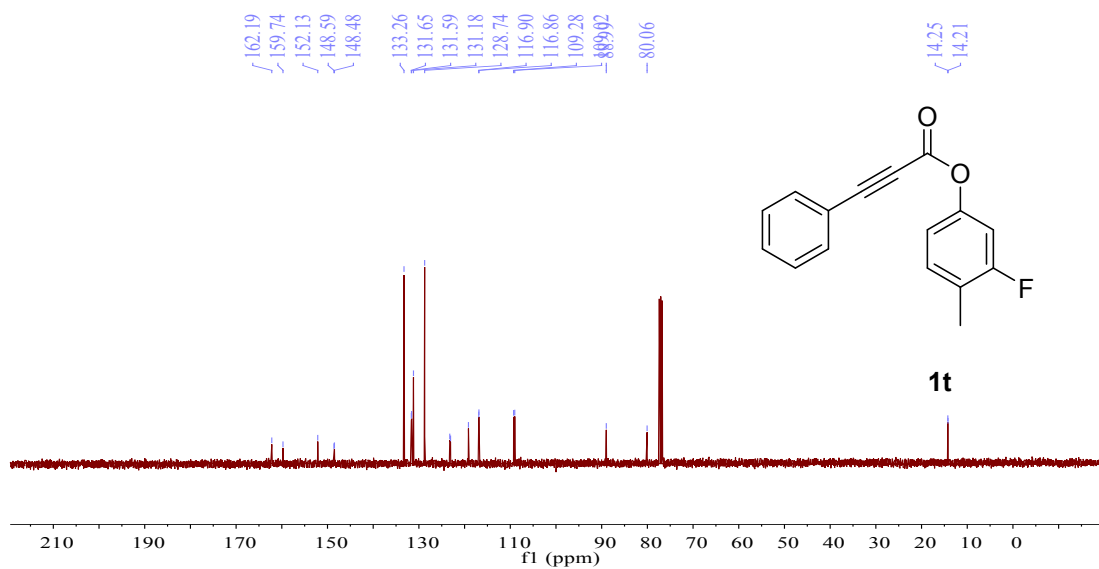
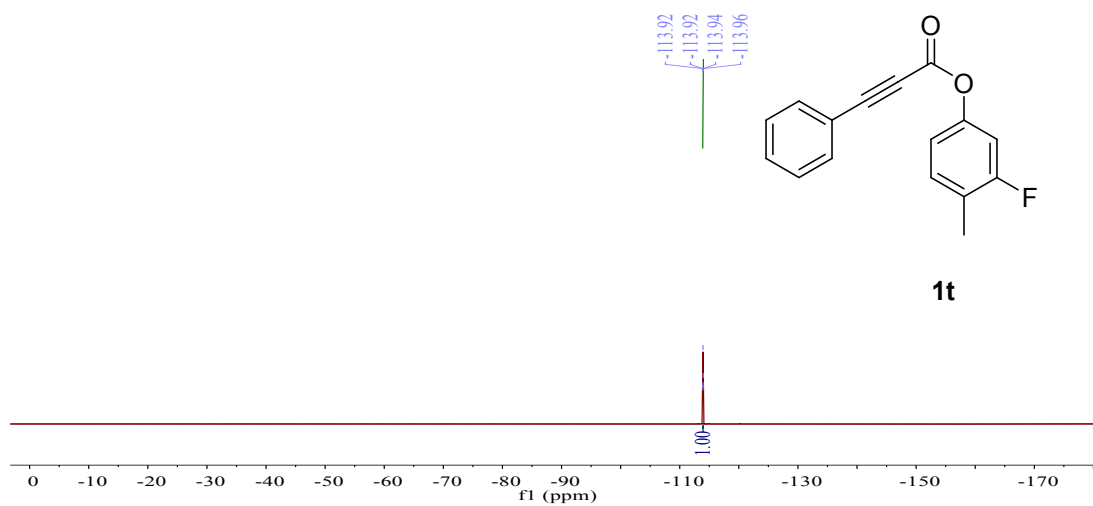
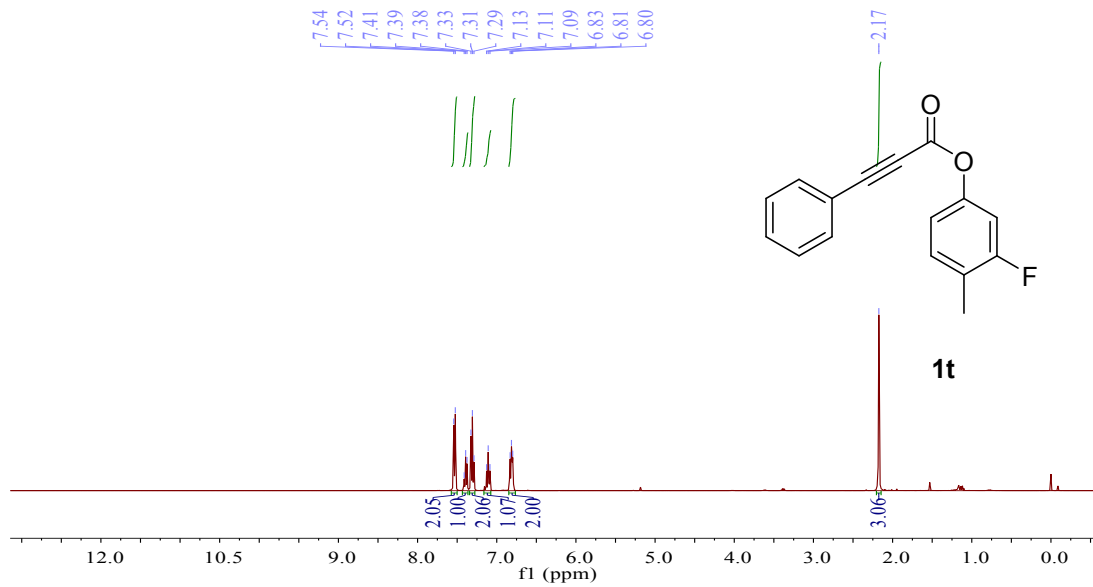
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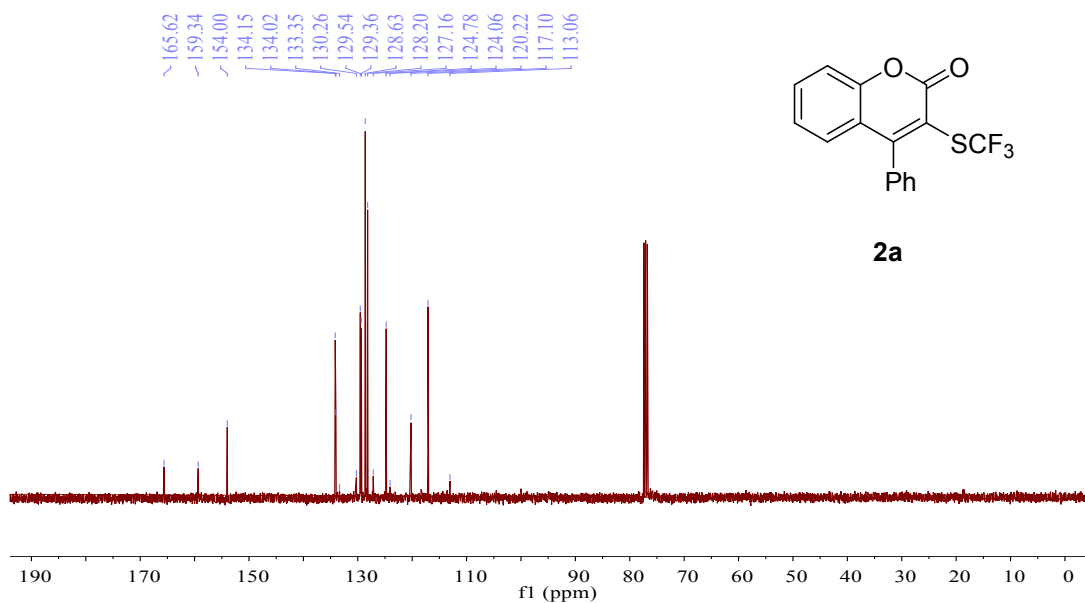
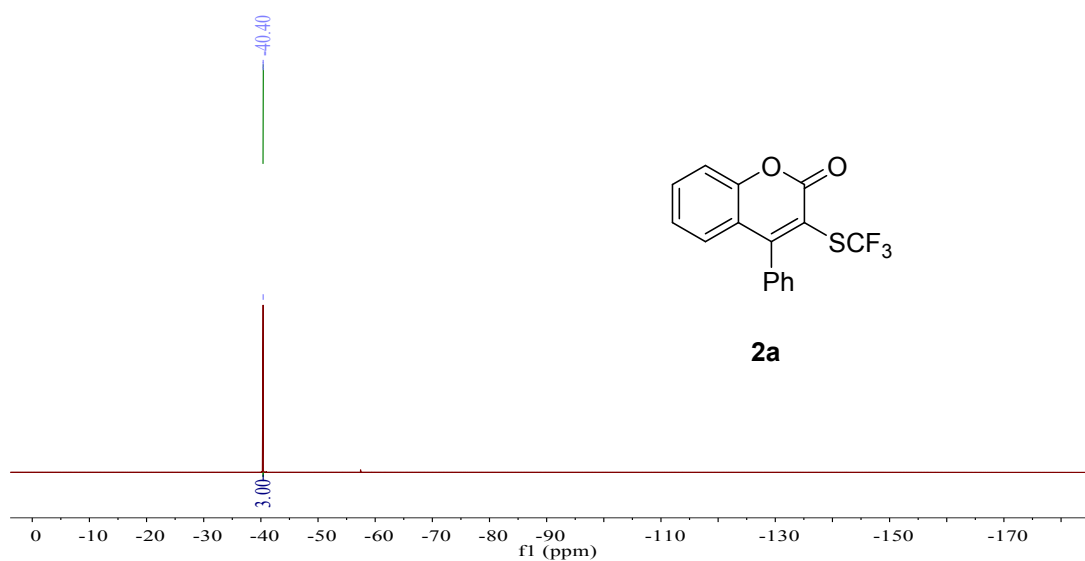
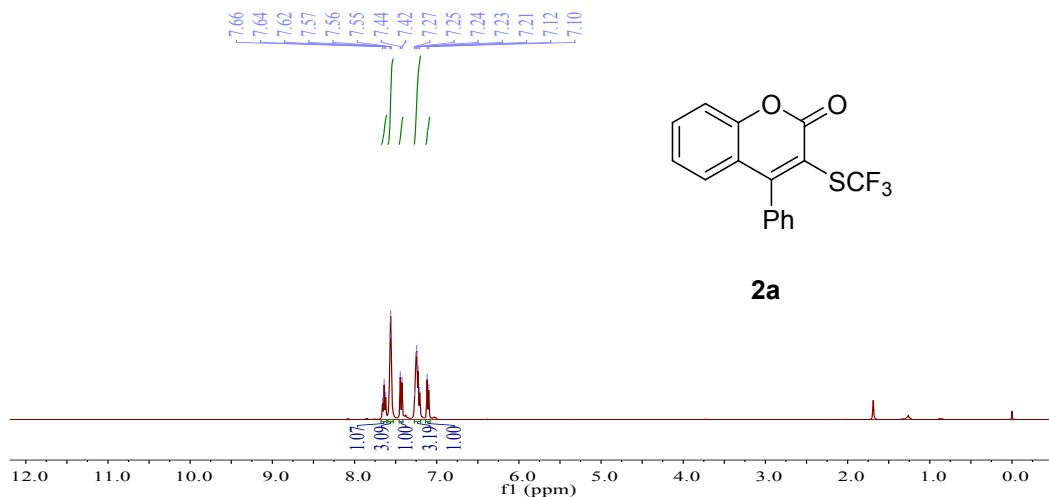
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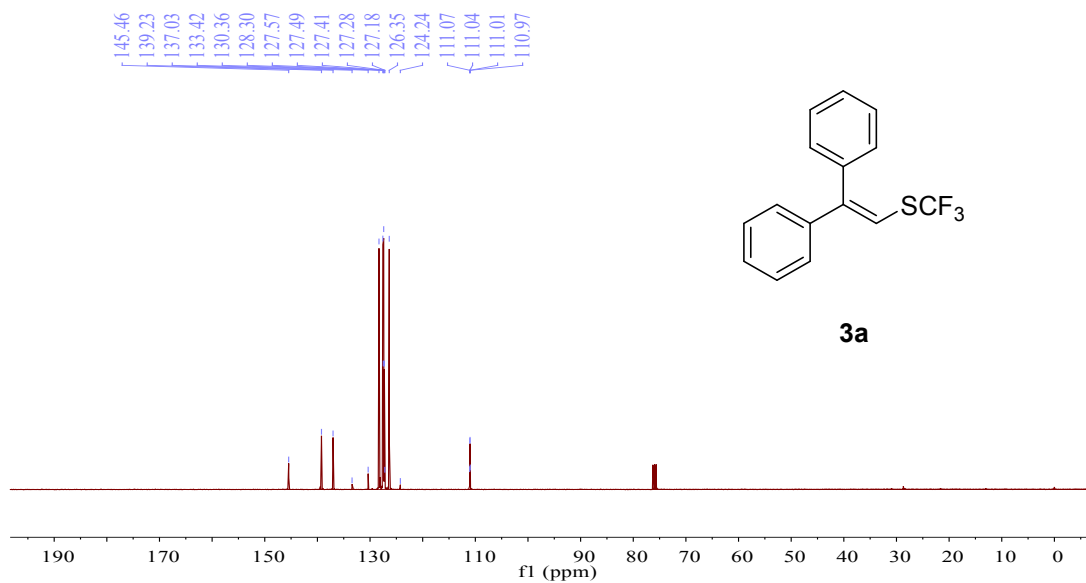
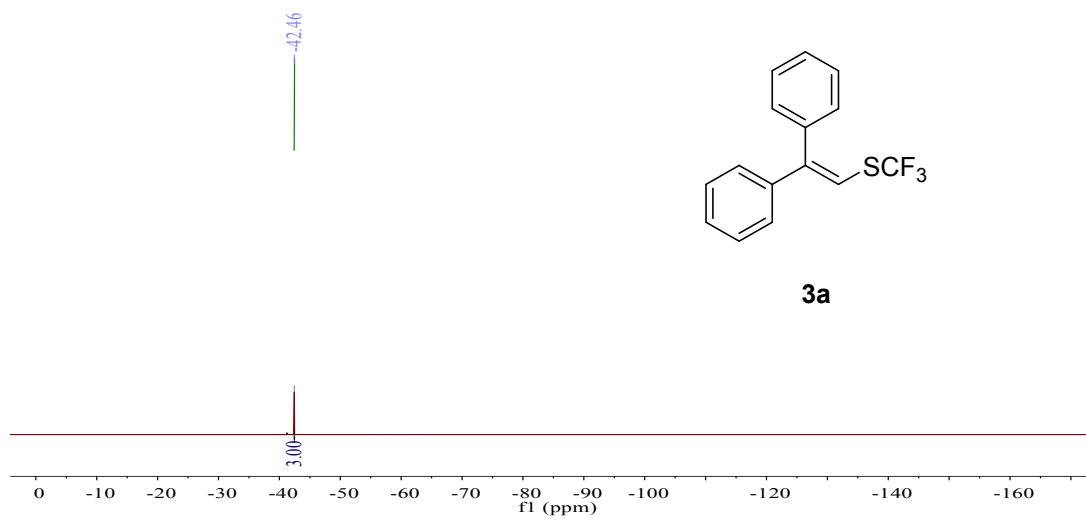
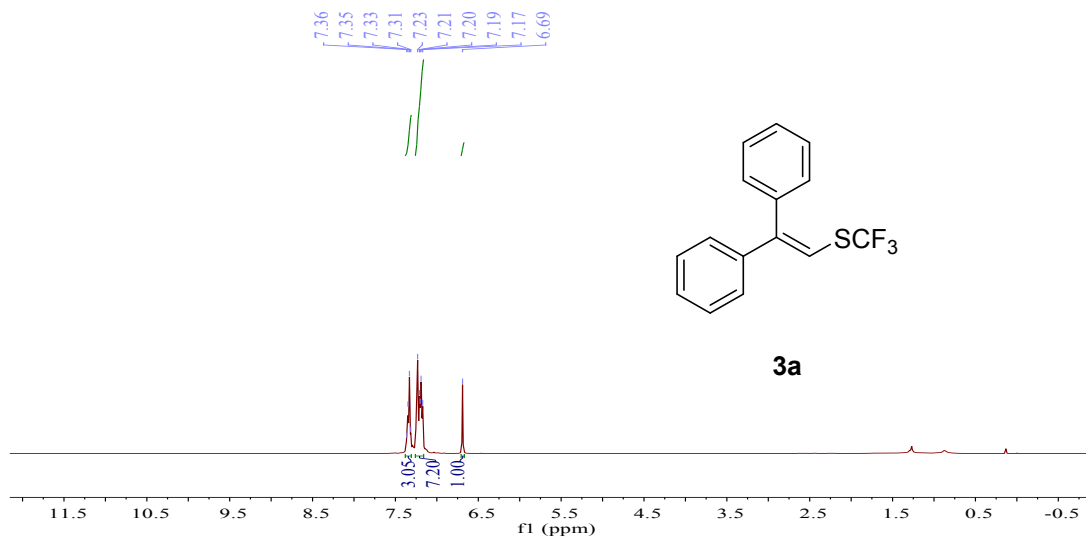
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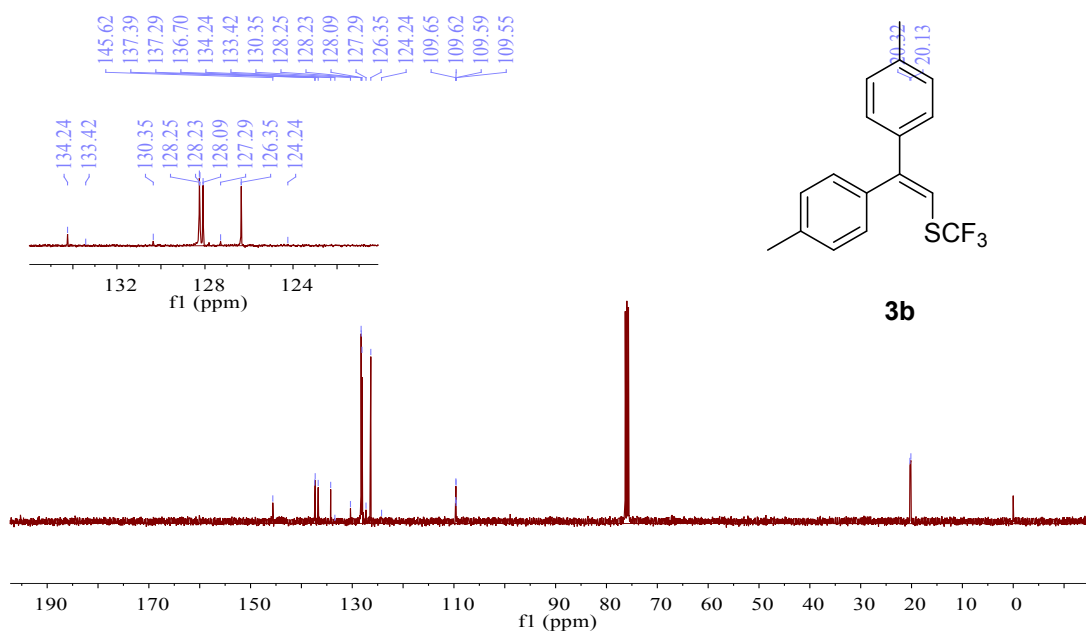
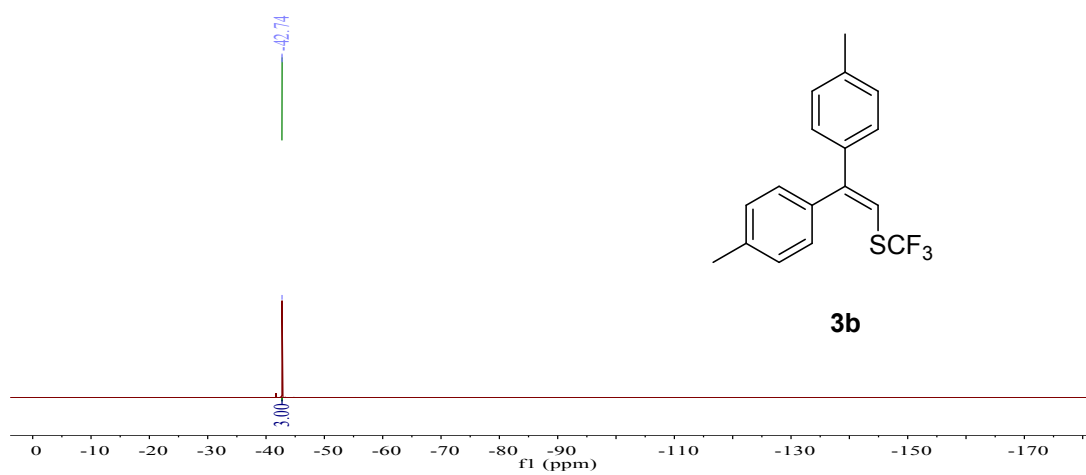
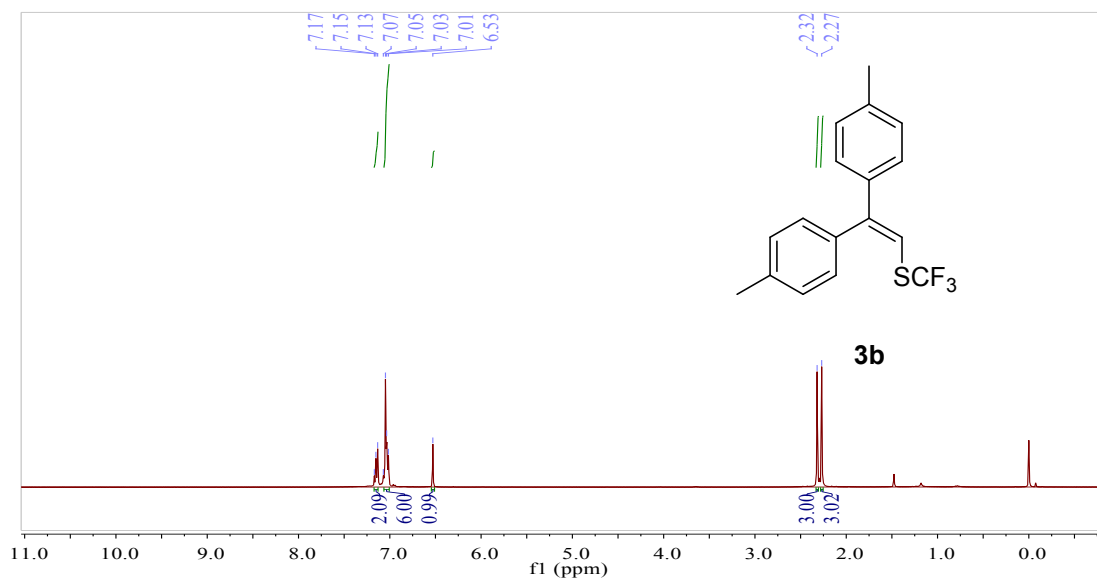


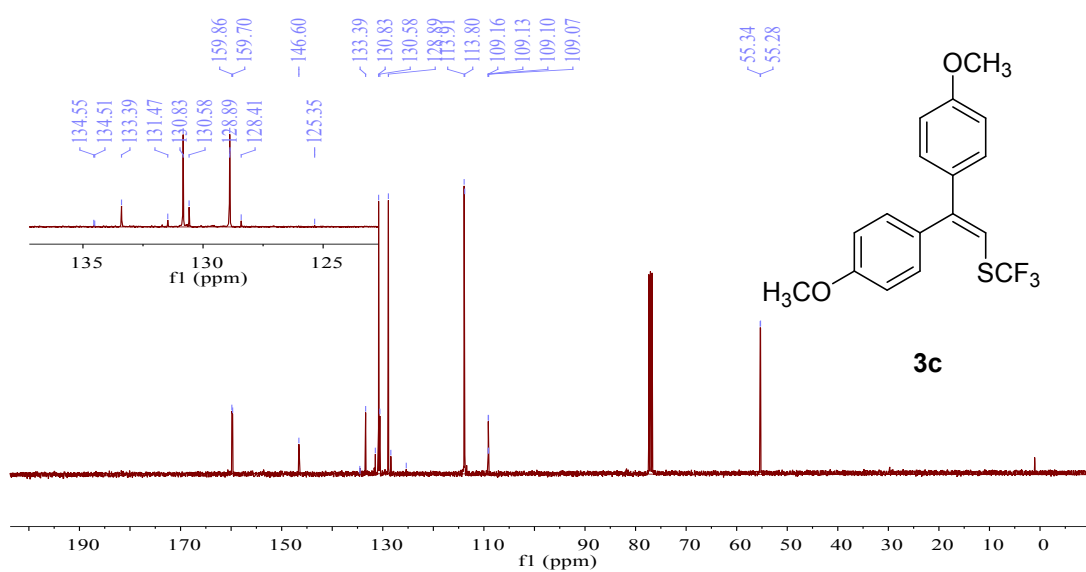
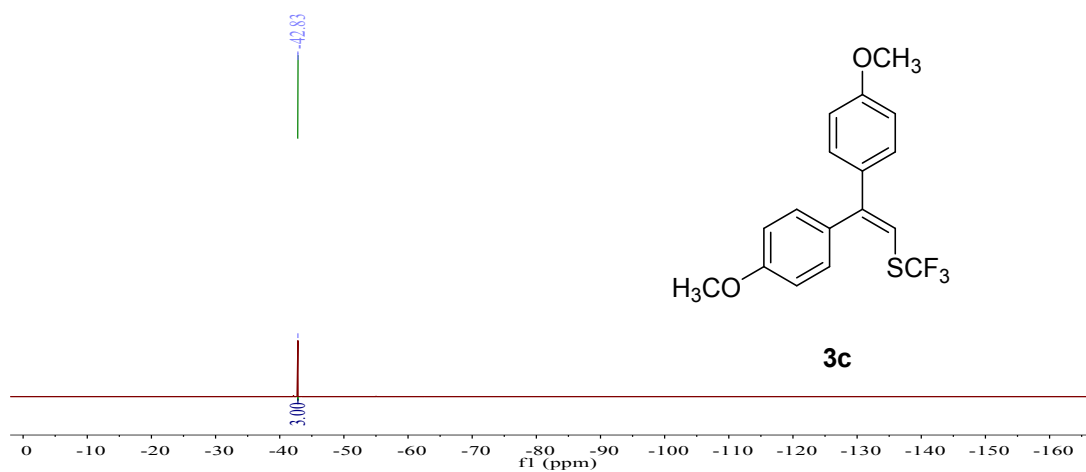
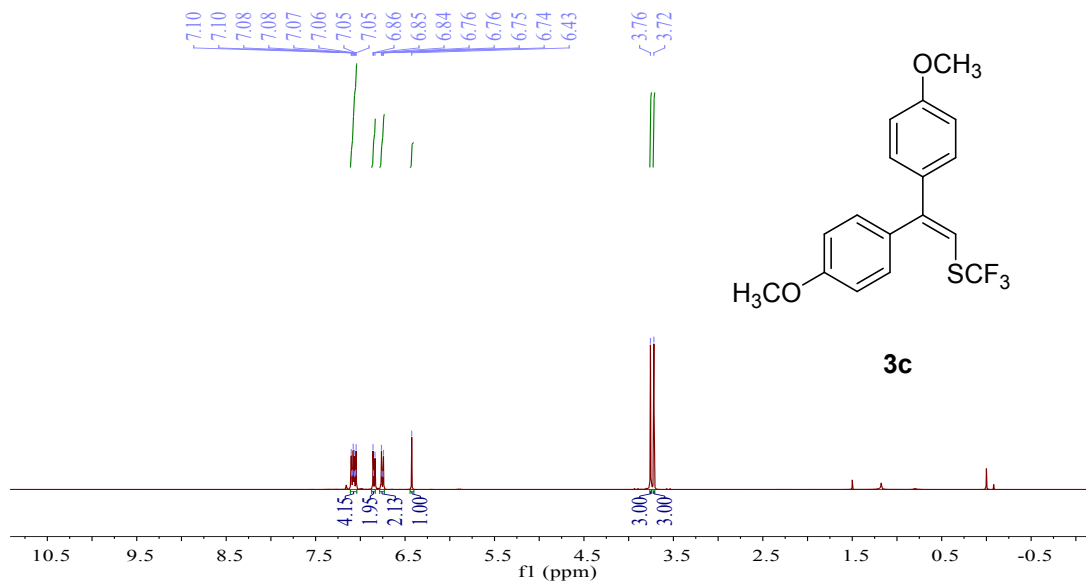
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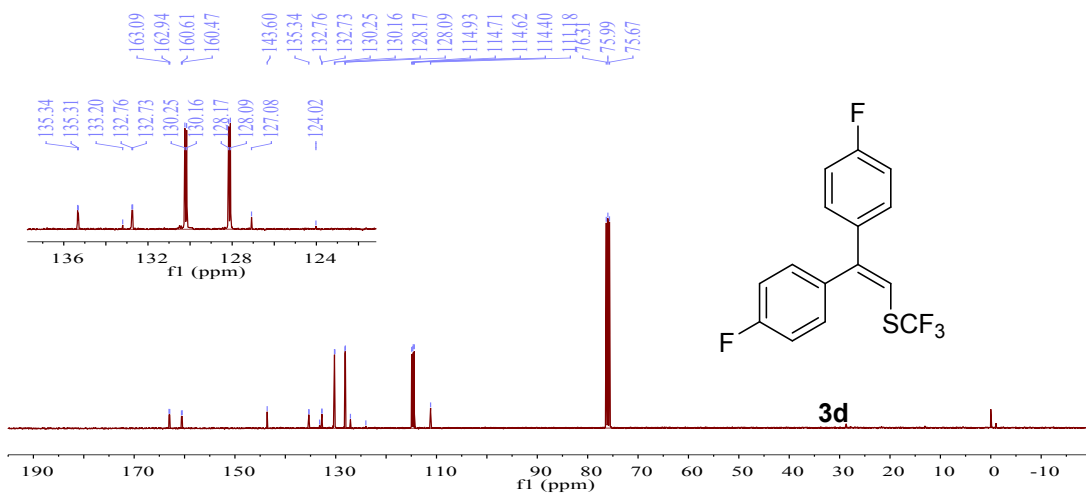
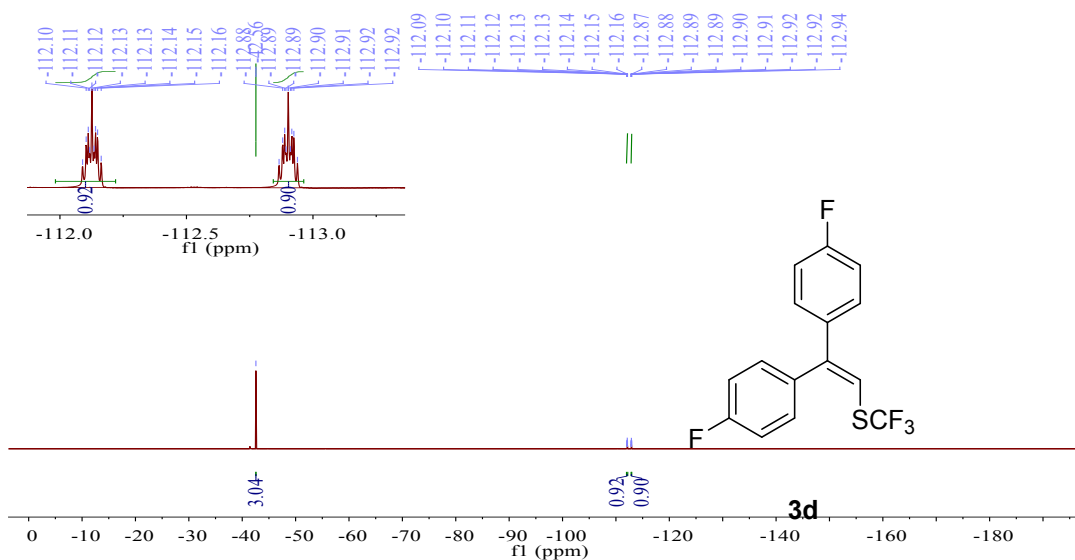
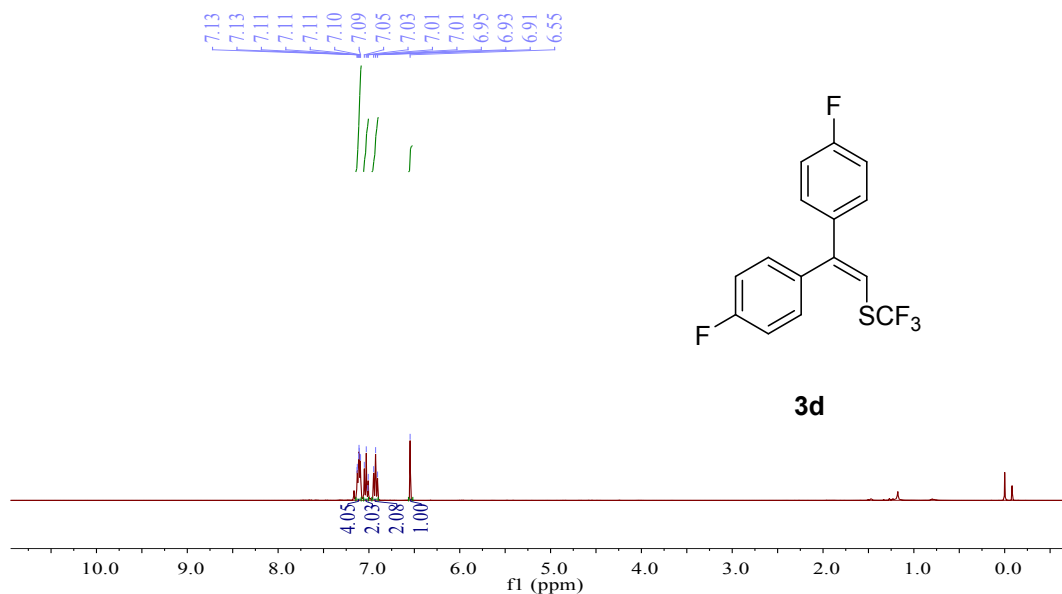


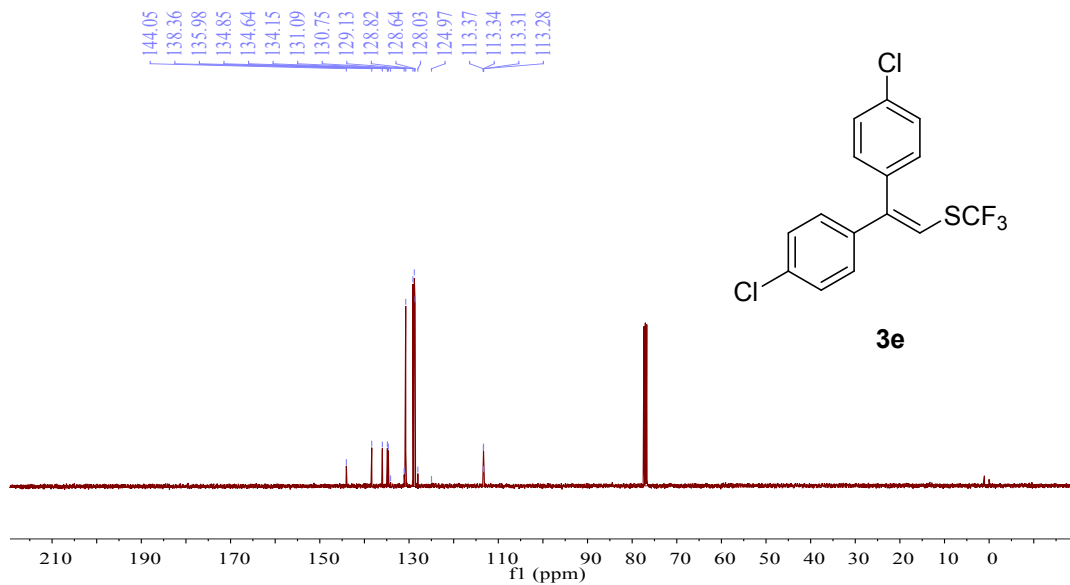
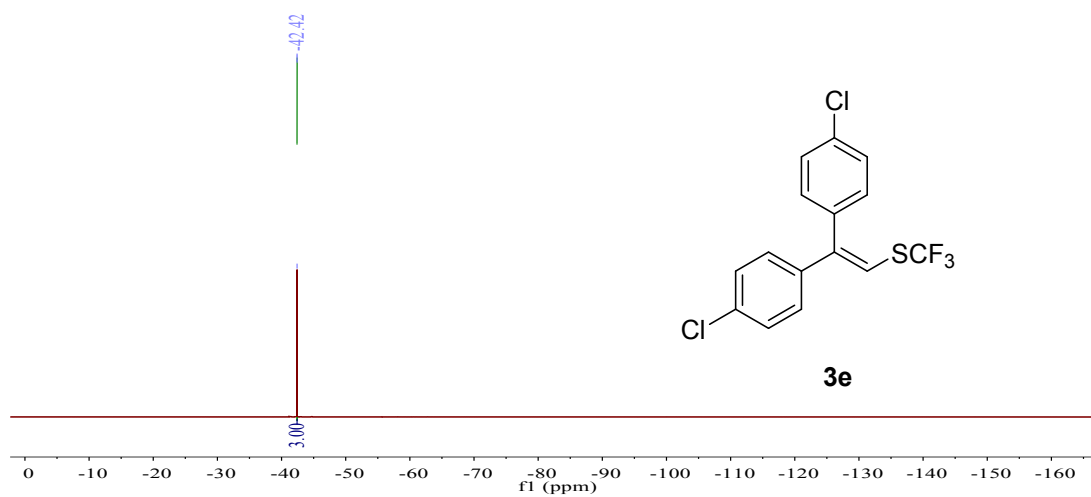
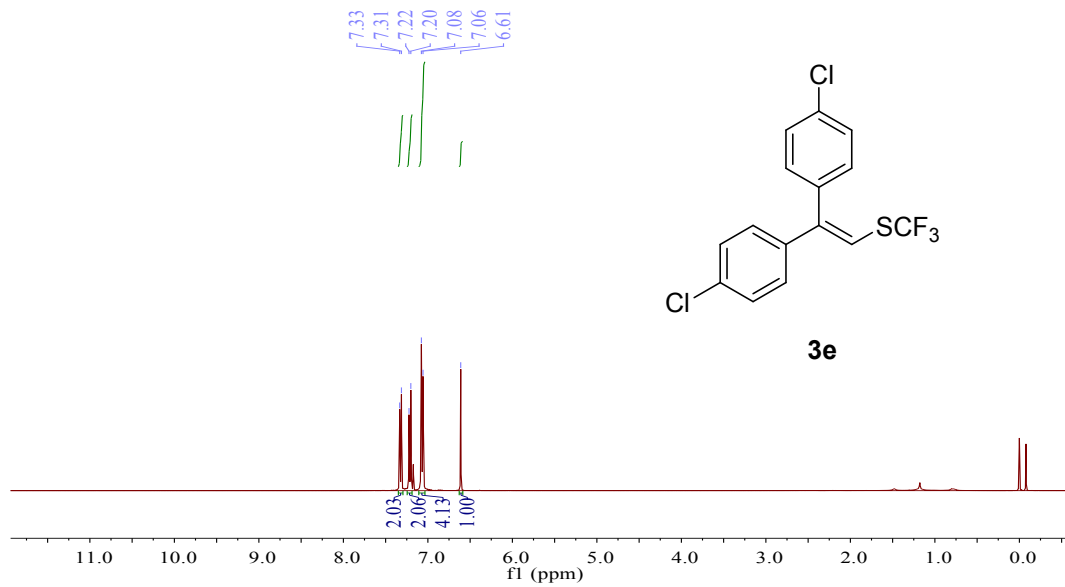


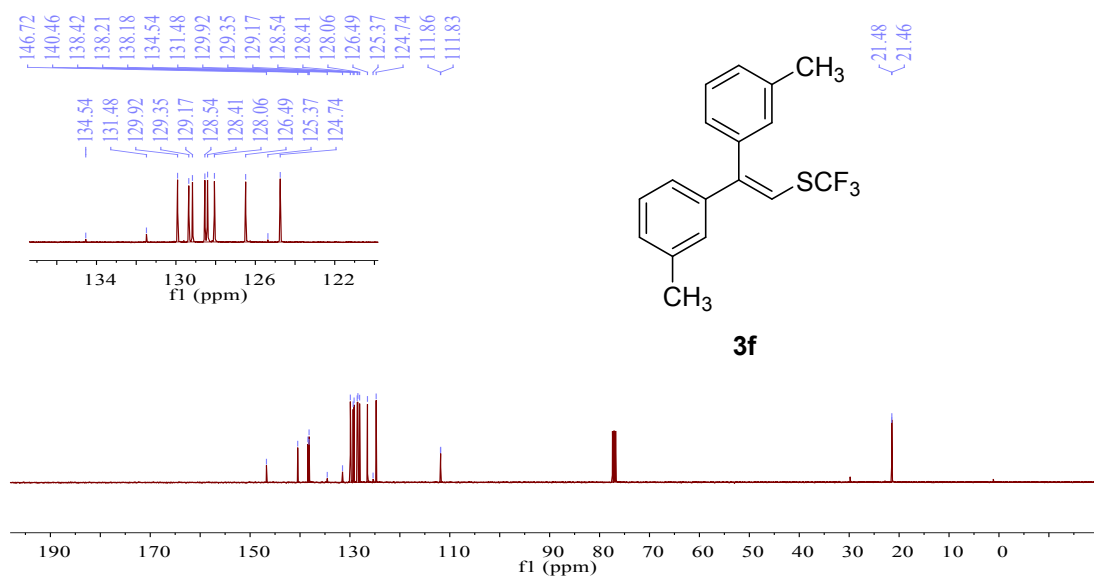
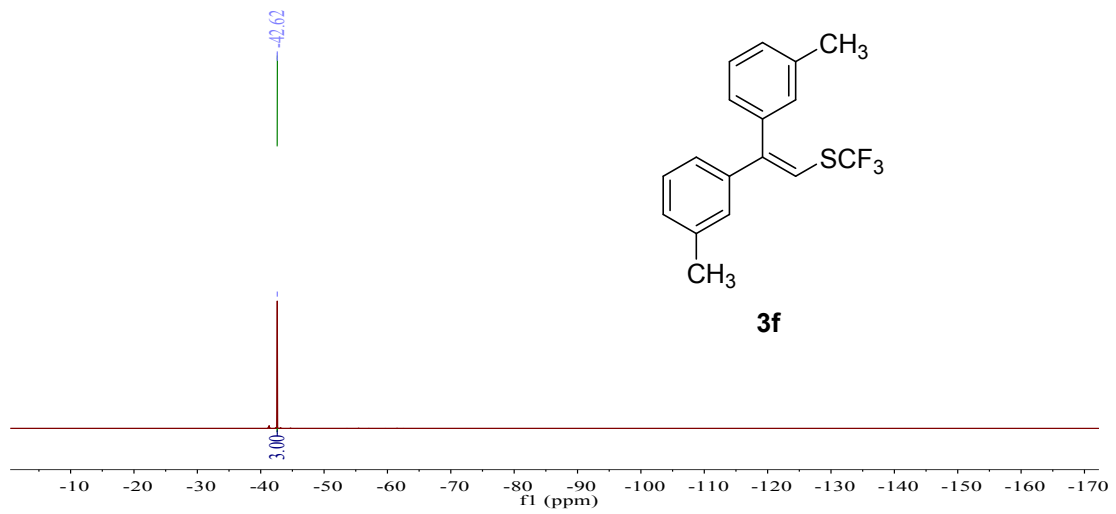
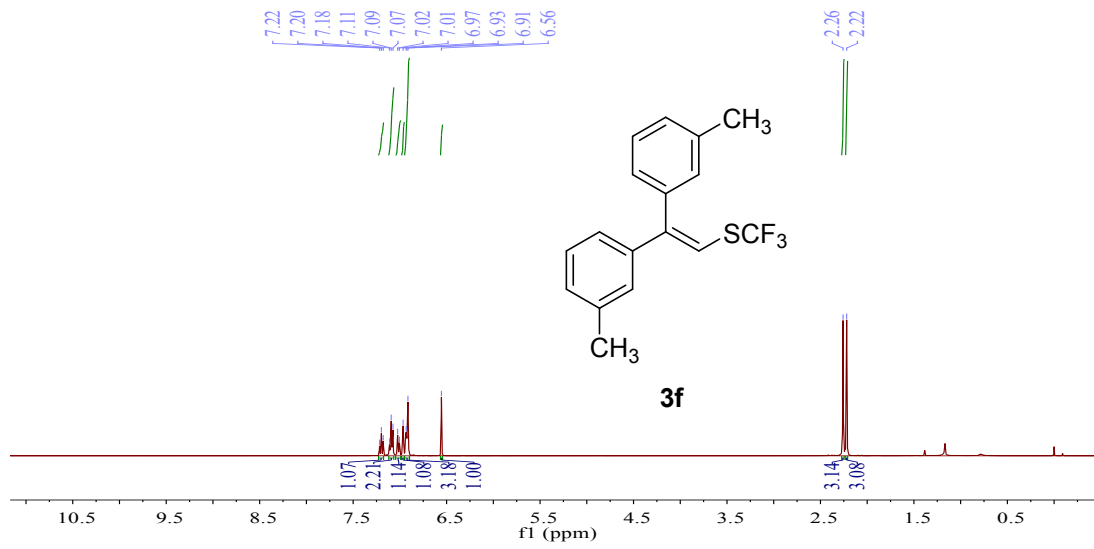


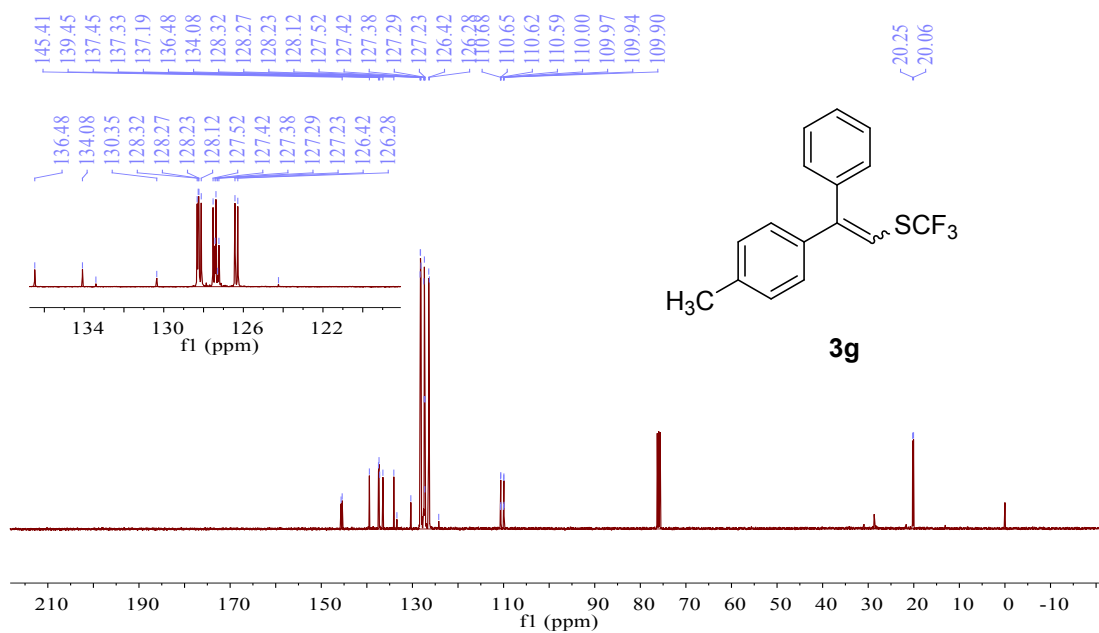
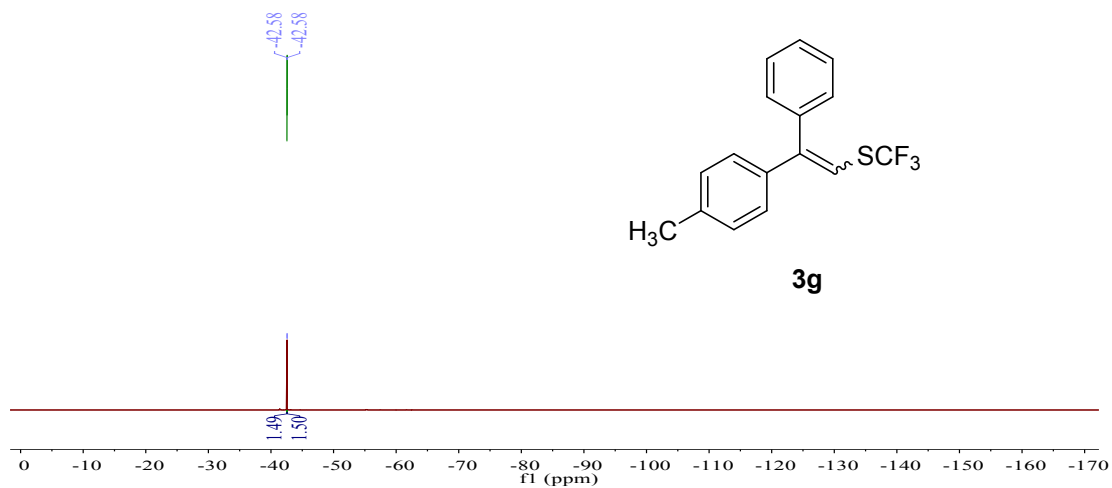
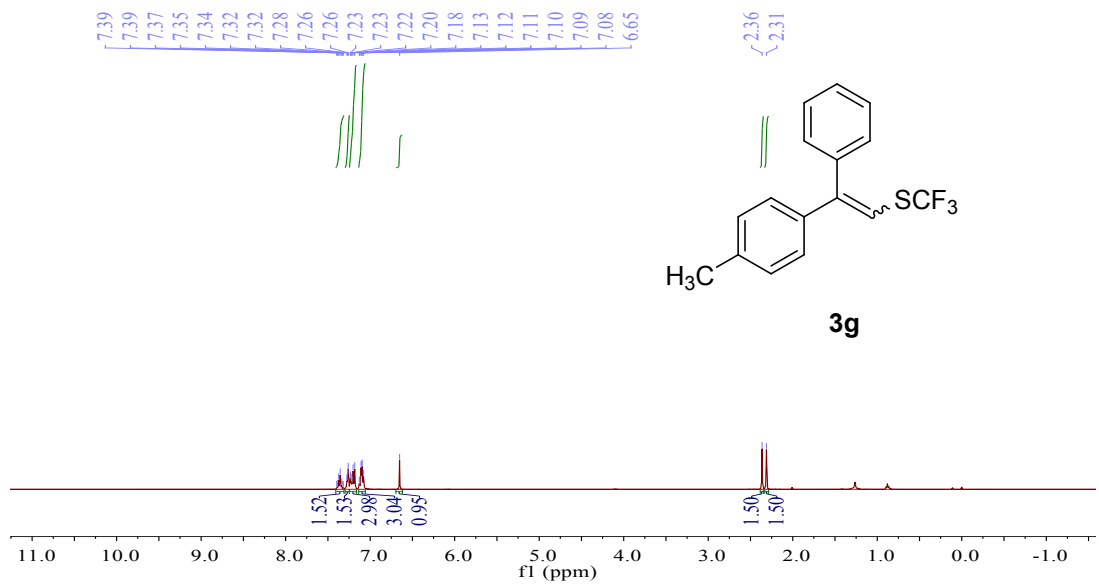


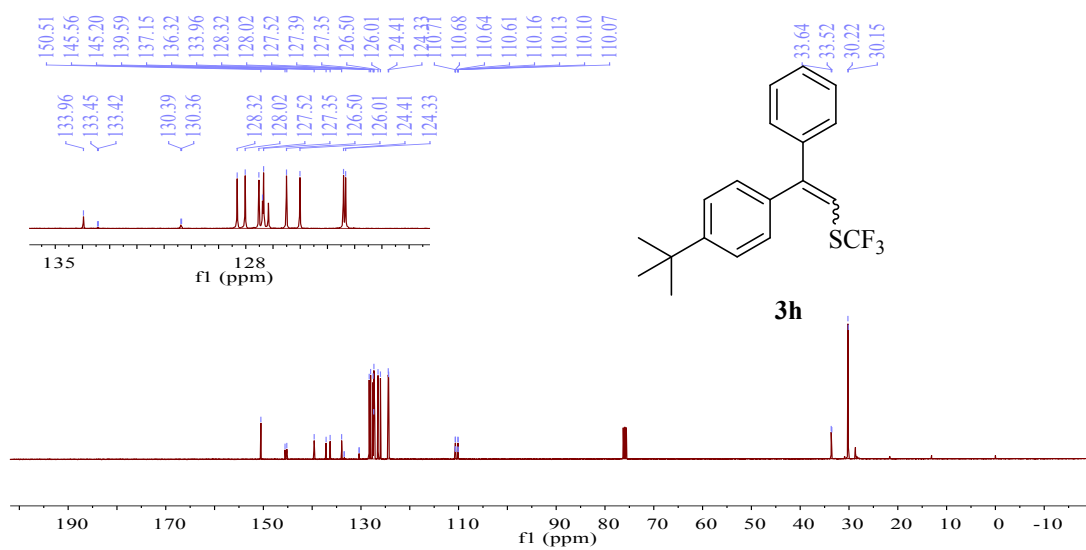
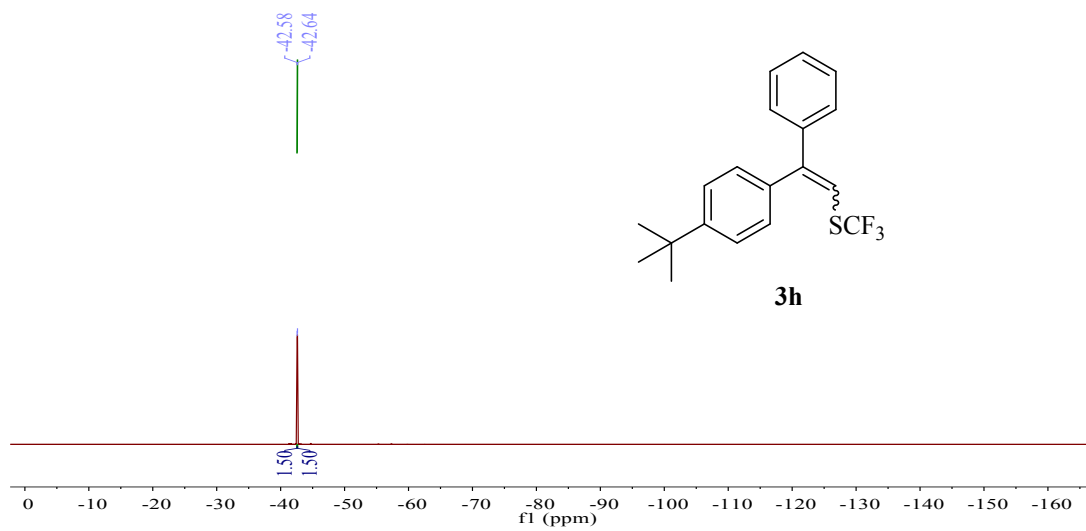
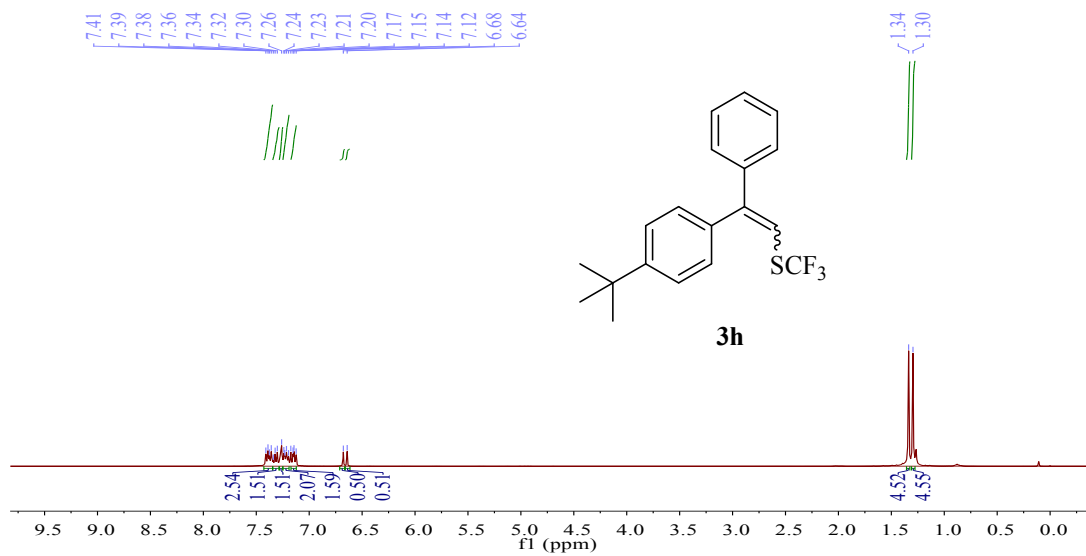


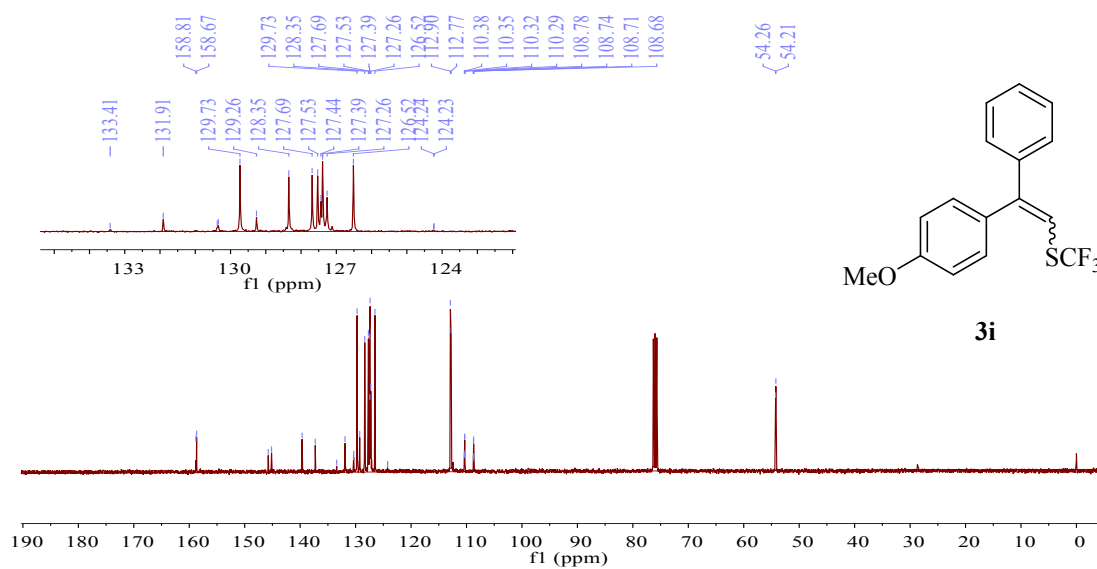
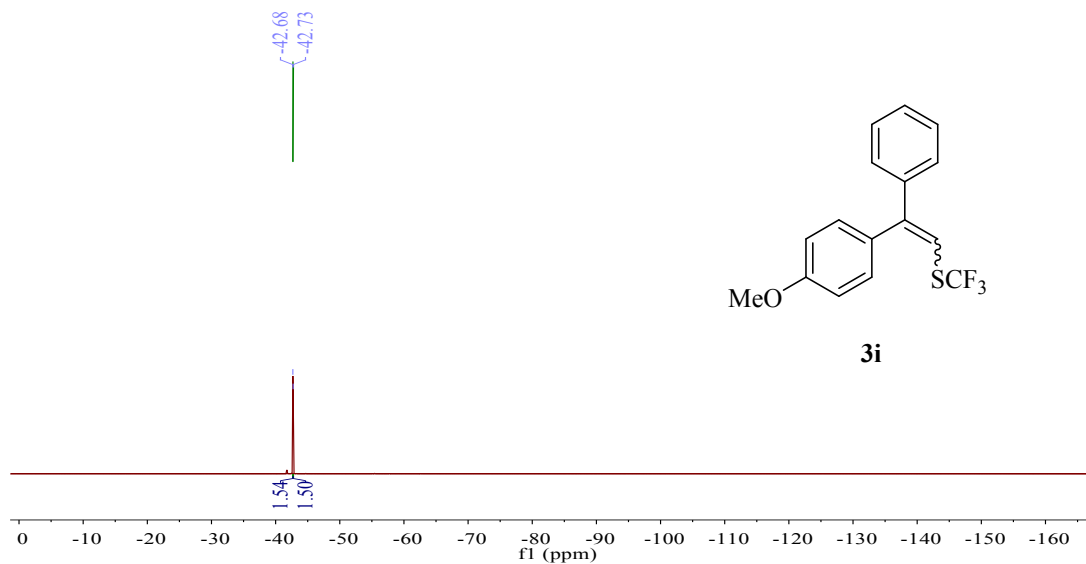
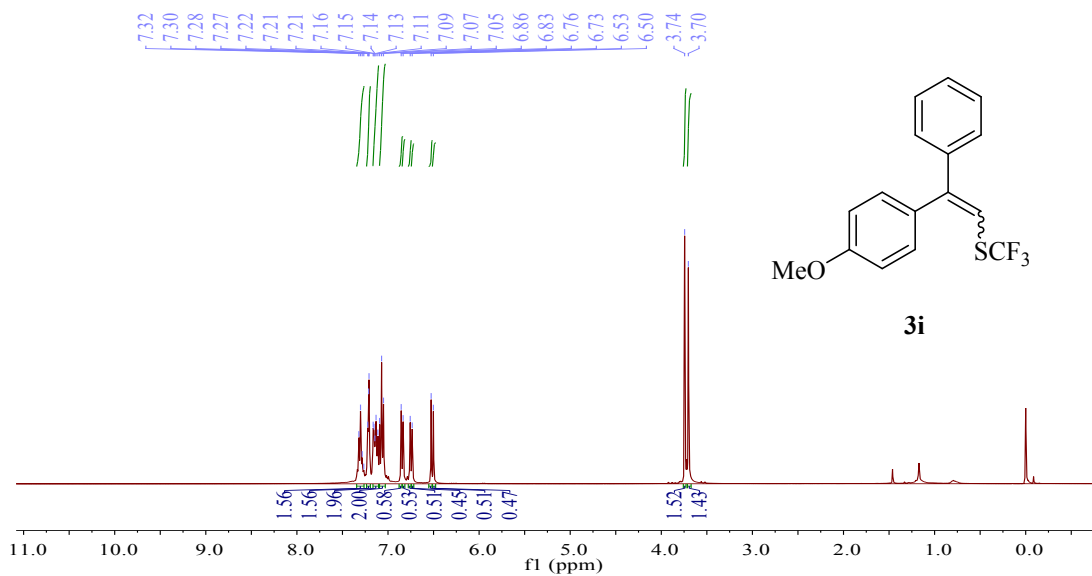


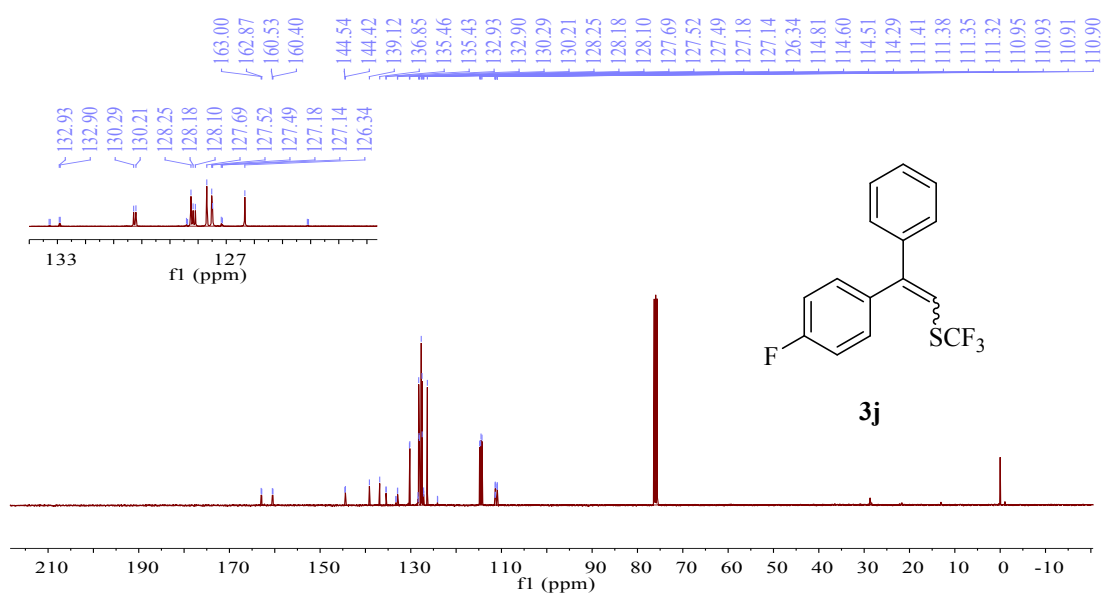
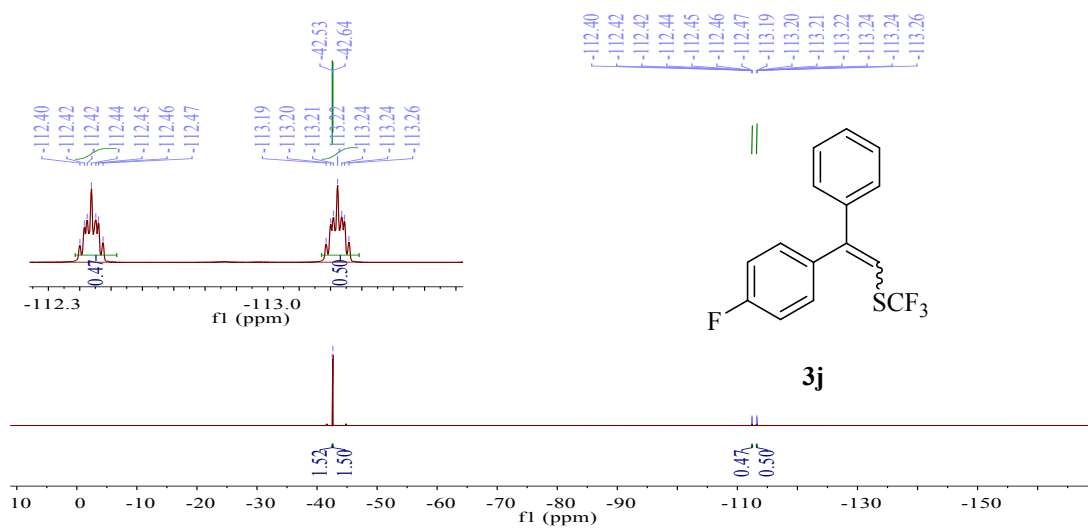
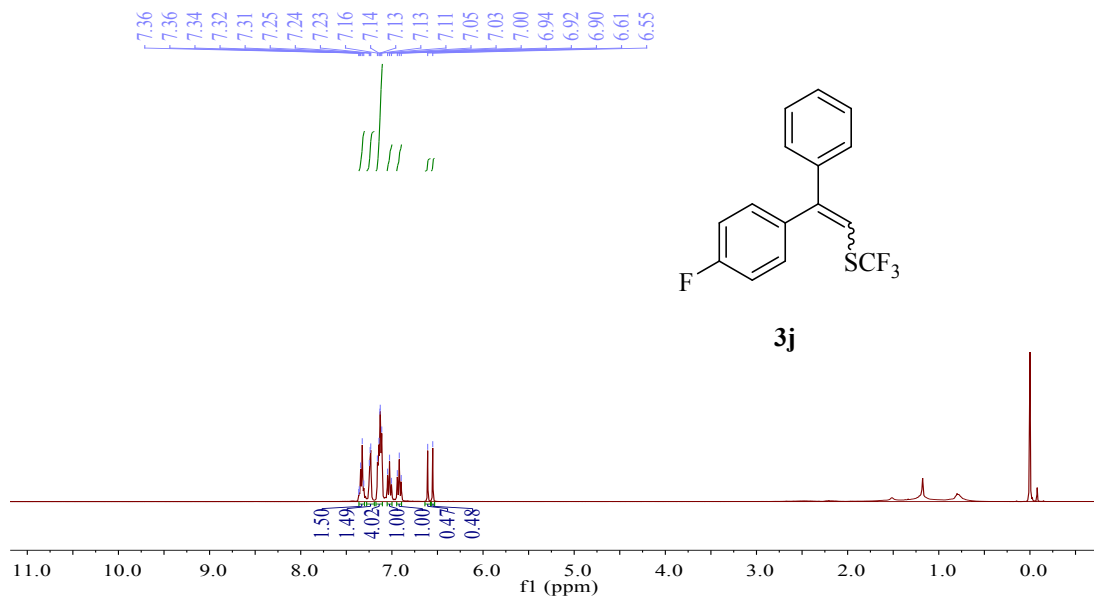


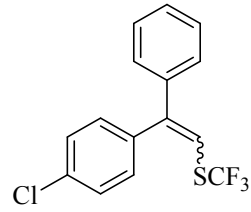
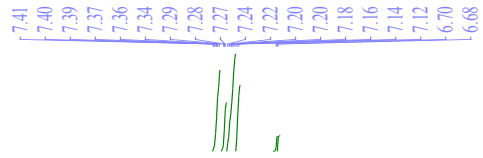




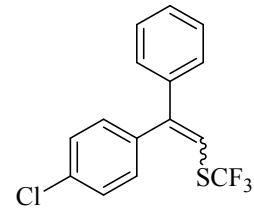
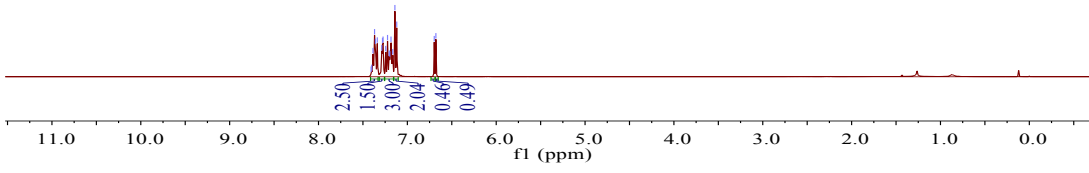




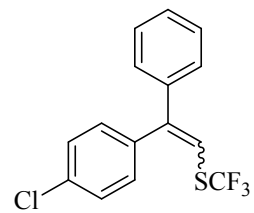
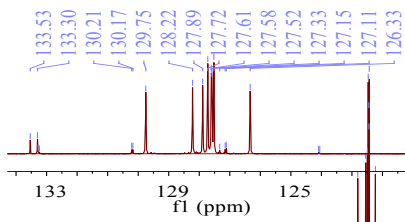
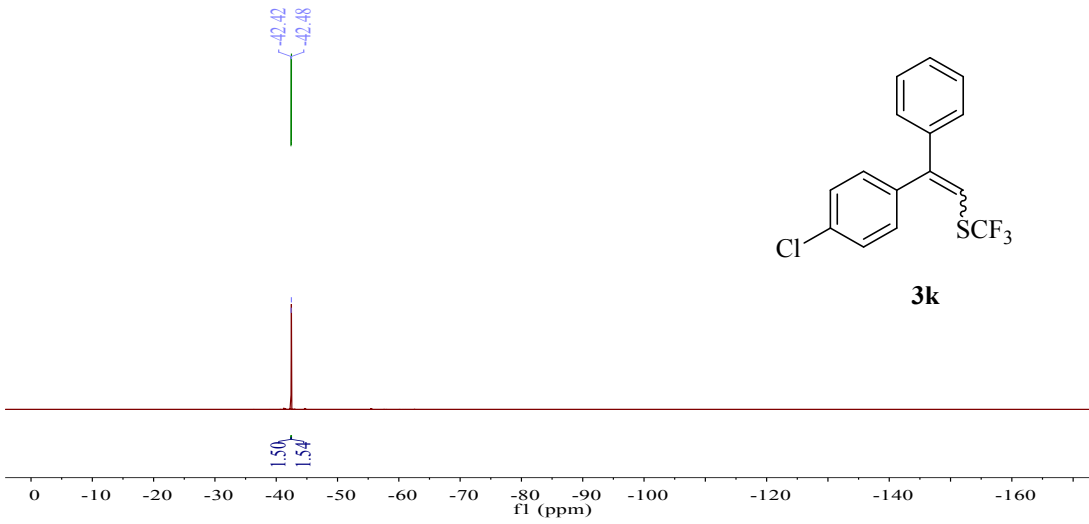




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