

# Metal-free electrophilic phosphination of electron-rich arenes, arenols and aromatic thiols with diarylphosphine oxides

Tao Yuan,<sup>a</sup> Shenlin Huang,<sup>b</sup> Chun Cai<sup>a</sup> and Guo-ping Lu\*<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Chemical Engineering College, Nanjing University of Science & Technology, Nanjing, Jiangsu, 210094, P. R. China

<sup>b</sup> College of Chemical Engineering, Jiangsu Key Lab of Biomass-Based Green Fuels and Chemicals, Nanjing Forestry University, Nanjing, 210037, P. R. China.

\* Corresponding Author E-mail: glu@njust.edu.cn

<b>1 Experimental.....</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>1.1 General remarks.....</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>1.2 Experimental procedures.....</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>1.3 Tentative pathway.....</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2 Characterization Data.....</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>3 NMR Spectra of All Products.....</b>	<b>13</b>

# 1 Experimental

## 1.1 General remarks

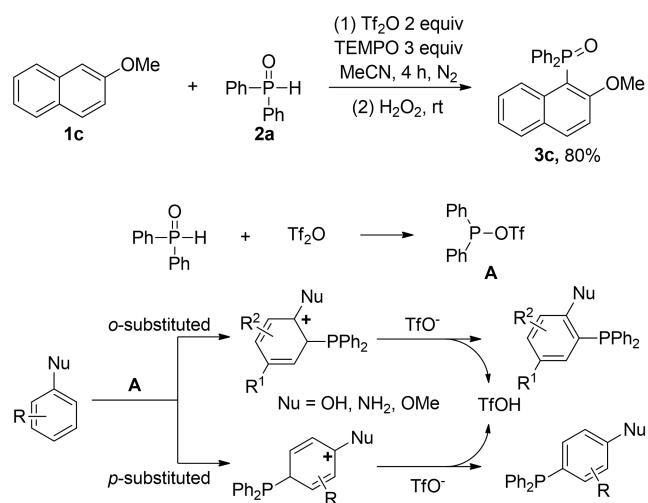
All chemical reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All known compounds were identified by using appropriate techniques such as  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR,  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR and GC-MS. All unknown compounds were characterized by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR,  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR, GC-MS and elemental analyses. Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed on glass plates precoated with silica gel impregnated with a fluorescence indicator (254 nm). GC analyses were performed on an Agilent 7890A instrument (column: Agilent 19091J-413: 30 m  $\times$  320  $\mu\text{m}$   $\times$  0.25  $\mu\text{m}$ , H. FID). All NMR spectra were recorded on an AVANCE 500 Bruker spectrometer operating at 500 MHz and 125 MHz in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , respectively, and chemical shifts were reported in ppm and using TMS as an internal standard. GC-MS data was recorded on a 5975C Mass Selective Detector, coupled with a 7890A Gas Chromatograph (Agilent Technologies). Elemental analyses were performed on a Yanagimoto MT3CHN recorder.

## 1.2 Experimental procedures

**General procedures for electrophilic phosphination of electron-rich arenes with diarylphosphine oxides:** A mixture of electron-rich arenes **1** 0.25 mmol, diarylphosphine oxide **2** 0.5 mmol,  $\text{OTf}_2$  0.50 mmol in MeCN (2 mL) was stirred at 60 °C for 4 h. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was poured into sat.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  aqueous solution, and oxidized with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  (30% aq, ca. 0.5 mL) for 15 min under open air. The resulting mixture was quenched with sat.  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$  aqueous solution and extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. Further column chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether) was needed to afford the pure desired products **3**.

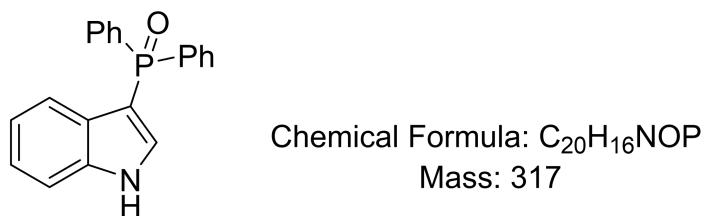
**General procedures for electrophilic phosphination of arens or arylthiols with diarylphosphine oxides:** A mixture of arens **4** or arylthiols **7** 0.25 mmol, diarylphosphine oxide **2** 0.50 mmol, OTf<sub>2</sub> 0.50 mmol in MeCN (2 mL) was stirred at rt for 4 h. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was poured into sat. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution, and oxidized with H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (30% aq, ca. 0.5 mL) for 15 min under open air. The resulting mixture was quenched with sat. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution and extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. Further column chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether) was needed to afford the pure desired products **5** or **6**.

### 1.3 Tentative pathway

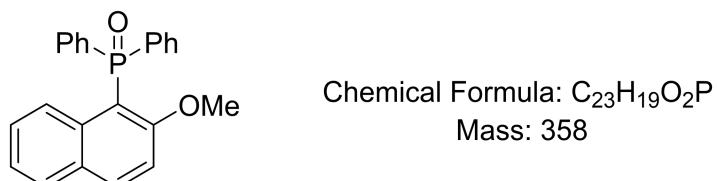


**Figure S1.** A tentative pathway for electrophilic phosphination of arenes from diphenyl phosphine oxide

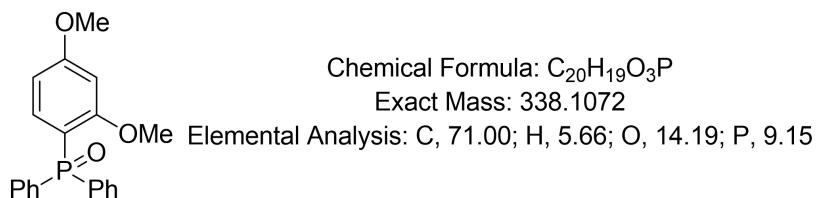
## 2 Characterization Data



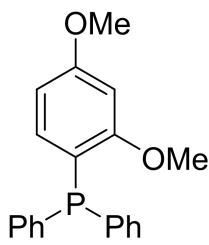
(1*H*-indol-3-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide<sup>[1]</sup> **3a**, light brown solid, m.p. 250–253 °C (97%, 76 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 11.36 (s, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (td, *J* = 7.7, 2.6 Hz, 4H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 136.83, 133.46, 133.30, 132.87, 132.01, 130.78, 127.57, 127.48, 127.47, 127.00, 121.71, 119.89, 119.50, 111.38. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 23.32. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 317.



(2-Methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide **3b**, CAS 294671-36-6, light brown solid, m.p. 196–199 °C (87%, 77.8 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.52 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85–7.69 (m, 5H), 7.57–7.39 (m, 8H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.58, 158.73, 135.68, 134.81, 134.11, 130.34, 130.26, 130.13, 128.84, 127.42, 127.17, 127.07, 126.86, 125.55, 123.41, 112.20, 54.56, <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 32.11. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 358.

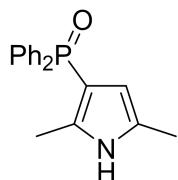


(2,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)diphenylphosphine oxide **3c**, light yellow solid, m.p. 162–165 °C (91% 76.9 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.82–7.70 (m, 4H), 7.69–7.40 (m, 7H), 6.63 (dt, *J* = 8.5, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dd, *J* = 4.7, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 164.01, 161.36, 135.46, 130.87, 130.78, 130.39, 127.16, 127.06, 104.21, 98.06, 54.55, 54.26. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 34.70. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 338. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P: C, 71.00%; H, 5.66%. Found: C, 71.36%; H, 5.43%.



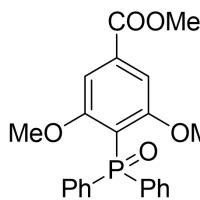
Chemical Formula: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>2</sub>P  
Mass: 322

(2,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)diphenylphosphane<sup>[2]</sup> **3c'**, white solid, m.p. 121–124 °C (93%, 74.9 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.35–7.26 (m, 10H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 160.90, 160.49, 135.59, 133.20, 132.14, 131.98, 126.74, 126.66, 103.50, 96.65, 54.04, 53.67. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -18.18. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 322.

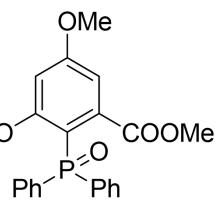


Chemical Formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NOP  
Mass: 295

(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide **3d**, CAS 785792-24-7, white solid, m.p. 253–256 °C (60%, 44.2 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 11.02 (s, 1H), 7.57–7.50 (m, 4H), 7.50–7.40 (m, 7H), 5.45–5.28 (m, 1H), 2.07–2.02 (m, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 135.58, 134.75, 133.87, 133.74, 130.51, 130.43, 129.93, 127.98, 127.82, 127.73, 127.27, 125.93, 125.83, 108.87, 108.77, 106.81, 105.80, 11.95, 11.66. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 25.29. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 295.



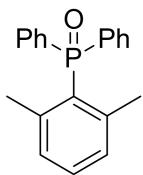
**3e**



**3e'**

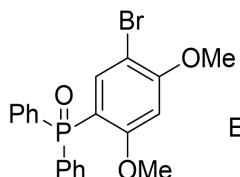
Chemical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>O<sub>5</sub>P  
Mass: 396

Methyl-4-(diphenylphosphoryl)-3,5-dimethoxybenzoate **3e**, Methyl-2-(diphenylphosphoryl)-3,5-dimethoxybenzoate **3e'**, brown oil (a mixture of **3e**+**3e'**, 61%+17%, 77.2 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.75–7.63 (m, 4H), 7.52–7.35 (m, 6H), 6.76 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (td, *J* = 5.1, 4.7, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 39.1 Hz, 6H), 3.29 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 163.17, 160.88, 141.44, 133.67, 133.67, 132.80, 130.50, 130.41, 130.22, 127.03, 126.93, 105.34, 99.55, 54.78, 54.30, 51.76. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 27.58, 27.09. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 396.



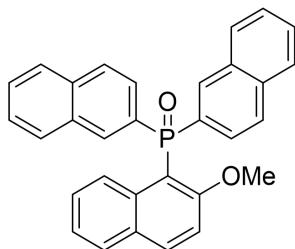
Chemical Formula: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>OP  
Mass: 306

(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)diphenylphosphine oxide **3f**, CAS: 67754-88-5, yellow oil (81%, 61.9 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.89 (ddd, *J* = 12.6, 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.59–7.52 (m, 0H), 7.47 (td, *J* = 7.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00–6.90 (m, 1H), 2.02 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 147.28, 131.73, 131.33, 130.69, 130.61, 129.75, 128.07, 127.59, 127.48, 123.87, 28.37, 17.21. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 29.55. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 306.



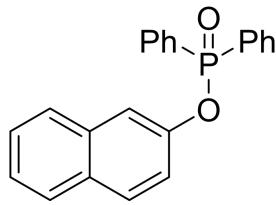
Chemical Formula: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrO<sub>3</sub>P  
Exact Mass: 416.0177  
Elemental Analysis: C, 57.57; H, 4.35; Br, 19.15; O, 11.50; P, 7.42

(5-Bromo-2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)diphenylphosphine oxide **3g**, brown solid, m.p. 231–234 °C (88%, 91.7 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Methanol-d<sub>4</sub>) δ 7.68–7.42 (m, 12H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Methanol-d<sub>4</sub>) δ 162.72, 161.81, 137.60, 132.59, 132.38, 131.80, 131.72, 128.69, 128.59, 112.11, 111.23, 102.69, 102.57, 97.44, 56.20, 55.33. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 31.94. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 416. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrO<sub>3</sub>P: C, 57.57%; H, 4.35%. Found: C, 57.48%; H, 4.19%.



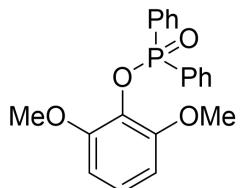
Chemical Formula: C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>2</sub>P  
Exact Mass: 458.1436  
Elemental Analysis: C, 81.21; H, 5.06; O, 6.98; P, 6.76

(2-Methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)di(naphthalen-2-yl)phosphine oxide **3j**, yellow solid, m.p. 131–133 °C (58%, 53.1 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 9.54 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.42 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.95–7.78 (m, 10H), 7.64–7.54 (m, 5H), 7.46 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 6.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (ddd, *J* = 9.1, 4.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 158.98, 135.59, 135.04, 133.54, 132.22, 131.81, 131.73, 131.58, 131.36, 128.93, 128.86, 128.01, 127.54, 127.00, 126.83, 125.99, 125.91, 125.64, 123.53, 112.19, 54.69. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 37.42. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 458. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>2</sub>P: C, 81.21%; H, 5.06%. Found: C, 81.49%; H, 4.56%.



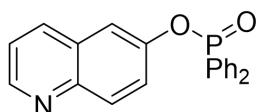
Chemical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>2</sub>P  
Mass: 344

Naphthalen-2-yl diphenylphosphinate<sup>[3]</sup> **5a**, white solid, m.p. 127-128 °C (75%, 64.5 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.96 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 7.5 Hz, 3H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 8.4 Hz, 3H), 7.61–7.33 (m, 7H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 147.70, 132.99, 131.55, 130.92, 130.84, 129.71, 129.43, 128.79, 127.73, 127.62, 126.66, 126.55, 125.59, 124.29, 119.78, 116.24. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 30.94. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 344.



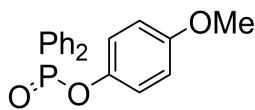
Chemical Formula: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>4</sub>P  
Exact Mass: 354.1021  
Elemental Analysis: C, 67.79; H, 5.40; O, 18.06; P, 8.74

2,6-Dimethoxyphenyl diphenylphosphinate **5b**, white solid, m.p. 98-111°C (70%, 61.9 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Methanol-d<sub>4</sub>) δ 7.93–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.57–7.43 (m, 6H), 6.99 (td, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Methanol-d<sub>4</sub>) δ 151.23, 131.24, 130.71, 130.55, 130.47, 129.60, 127.94, 127.05, 126.94, 124.15, 103.62, 53.84. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Methanol-d<sub>4</sub>) δ 33.90. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 354. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>4</sub>P: C, 67.79%; H, 5.40%. Found: C, 67.84%; H, 5.03%.



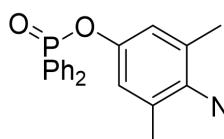
Chemical Formula: C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P  
Exact Mass: 345.0919  
Elemental Analysis: C, 73.04; H, 4.67; N, 4.06; O, 9.27; P, 8.97

Quinolin-6-yl diphenylphosphinate **5c**, brown solid, m.p. 127-131 °C (75%, 64.6 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.79 (dd, *J* = 4.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (ddt, *J* = 12.6, 6.8, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 7.72 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, *J* = 8.5, 7.3, 2.2 Hz, 3H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.4, 3.6 Hz, 4H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 4.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.77, 147.85, 144.57, 134.77, 131.73, 130.85, 130.77, 130.32, 130.15, 129.06, 127.81, 127.70, 123.30, 120.62, 116.00. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 31.66. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 345. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P: C, 73.04%; H, 4.67%; N, 4.06%. Found: C, 72.89%; H, 4.92%; N, 3.86%.



Chemical Formula: C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P  
Exact Mass: 324

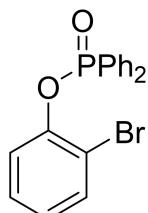
4-Methoxyphenyl diphenylphosphinate<sup>[3]</sup> **5d**, white solid, m.p. 94–97 °C (85%, 68.9 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.57–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.8, 2.3 Hz, 4H), 7.14–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.79–6.69 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 155.41, 143.38, 131.42, 130.92, 130.84, 129.53, 127.64, 127.53, 120.69, 113.64, 54.57. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 30.64. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 324.



Chemical Formula: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P  
Exact Mass: 337.1232

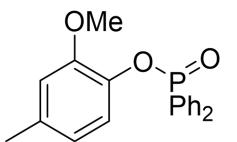
Elemental Analysis: C, 71.21; H, 5.98; N, 4.15; O, 9.48; P, 9.18

4-Amino-3,5-dimethylphenyl diphenylphosphinate **5e**, light brown solid, m.p. 118–120 °C (76%, 64 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.99–7.74 (m, 4H), 7.48 (ddt, *J* = 36.5, 7.5, 2.5 Hz, 6H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 3.37 (s, 2H), 2.07 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 141.26, 138.53, 131.21, 131.06, 130.93, 130.85, 129.96, 127.54, 127.43, 121.79, 119.29, 28.73, 16.73. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 29.85. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 337. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P: C, 71.21%; H, 5.98%; N, 4.15%. Found: C, 71.49%; H, 5.72%; N, 3.86%.



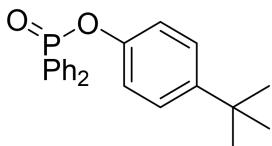
Chemical Formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>BrO<sub>2</sub>P  
Mass: 372

2-Bromophenyl diphenylphosphinate<sup>[4]</sup> **5f**, light yellow oil (90%, 83.4 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05–7.92 (m, 4H), 7.63–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.47–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.16–7.11 (m, 1H), 6.94–6.87 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 147.41, 132.58, 131.69, 130.97, 130.89, 130.13, 129.03, 127.74, 127.64, 124.63, 120.60, 113.35. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 31.94. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 372.



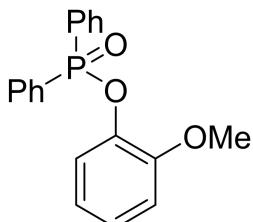
Chemical Formula: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P  
 Exact Mass: 338.1072  
 Elemental Analysis: C, 71.00; H, 5.66; O, 14.19; P, 9.15

2-Methoxy-4-methylphenyl diphenylphosphinate **5g**, light yellow oil (90%, 76 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.93 (ddd, *J* = 12.5, 8.4, 1.5 Hz, 4H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (td, *J* = 7.4, 3.6 Hz, 4H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 1H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 149.25, 136.72, 134.19, 131.26, 131.01, 130.92, 129.81, 127.43, 127.32, 120.71, 120.15, 112.44, 54.73, 20.29. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 31.14. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 338. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P: C, 71.00%; H, 5.66%. Found: C, 71.08%; H, 5.47%.



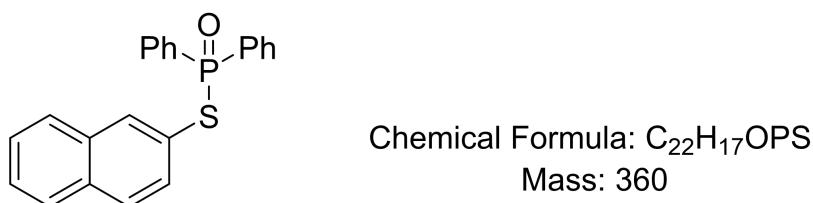
Chemical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>2</sub>P  
 Mass: 350

4-(Tert-butyl)phenyl diphenylphosphinate<sup>[3]</sup> **5h**, white solid, m.p. 163–165 °C (77%, 67.3 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.95 (ddd, *J* = 12.5, 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 7.63–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 7.6, 3.5 Hz, 4H), 7.33–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.10 (m, 2H), 1.30 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 147.46, 131.40, 130.88, 130.80, 129.74, 127.66, 127.55, 125.53, 119.12, 33.33, 30.40. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 36.21. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 350.

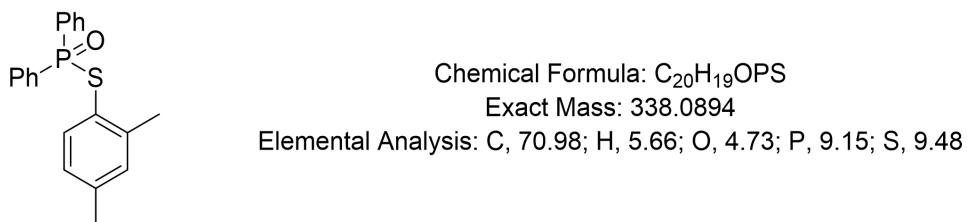


Chemical Formula: C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P  
 Mass: 324

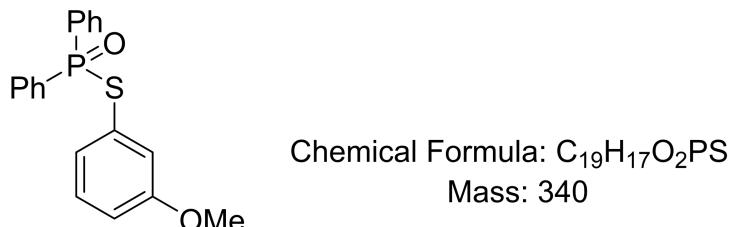
2-Methoxyphenyl diphenylphosphinate **5i**, CAS 213137-01-0, yellow oil (83%, 67.2 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.94 (ddd, *J* = 12.6, 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 7.55–7.35 (m, 7H), 7.06–6.97 (m, 1H), 6.90–6.74 (m, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 149.69, 139.08, 131.30, 130.99, 130.91, 129.74, 127.44, 127.33, 124.33, 121.16, 119.85, 111.56, 54.78. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 31.27. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 324.



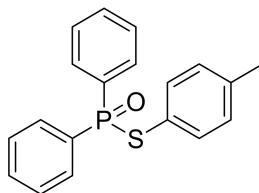
S-(Naphthalen-2-yl)diphenylphosphinothioate<sup>[3]</sup> **6a**, white solid, m.p. 167-170 °C (79%, 71.1 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.97–7.88 (m, 4H), 7.83–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.77–7.73 (m, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60–7.44 (m, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 134.46, 132.55, 132.03, 131.39, 131.16, 130.73, 130.64, 127.66, 127.55, 126.85, 126.64, 125.92, 125.48, 122.49. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 47.57. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 360.



S-(2,4-dimethylphenyl)diphenylphosphinothioate **6b**, white solid, m.p. 73-76 °C (89%, 75.2 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.82 (ddt, *J* = 12.8, 7.0, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 7.55–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.43 (td, *J* = 7.6, 3.6 Hz, 4H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 141.81, 138.55, 135.79, 132.41, 131.56, 131.26, 130.60, 130.52, 127.53, 127.42, 126.37, 120.54, 20.37, 20.10. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 41.13. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 338. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>OPS: C, 70.98%; H, 5.66%. Found: C, 70.74%; H, 5.40%.

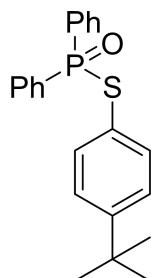


S-(3-methoxyphenyl)diphenylphosphinothioate<sup>[5]</sup> **6c**, white solid, m.p. 175-178 °C (95%, 80.7 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.85 (ddt, *J* = 12.9, 7.1, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 7.54–7.41 (m, 6H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dq, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dt, *J* = 2.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (ddt, *J* = 8.1, 2.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.66, 132.00, 131.35, 131.15, 130.70, 130.62, 128.79, 127.63, 127.53, 126.61, 126.10, 118.80, 114.78, 54.31. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 41.69. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 340.



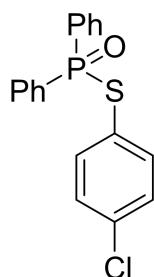
Chemical Formula: C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>OPS  
Mass: 324

S-*p*-tolyl diphenylphosphinothioate<sup>[6]</sup> **6d**, white solid, m.p. 110-112 °C (lit. 112-113 °C, 80%, 65 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 7.84–7.65 (m, 4H), 7.38–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.25 (m, 4H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 138.59, 134.78, 132.29, 131.70, 131.44, 131.04, 130.96, 129.35, 127.97, 127.87, 127.57, 121.53, 20.52. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 202 MHz): δ 42.23. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 324.



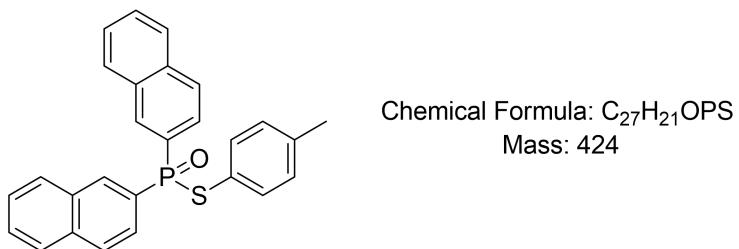
Chemical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>23</sub>OPS  
Mass: 366

S-(4-(Tert-butyl)phenyl)diphenylphosphinothioate<sup>[5]</sup> **6e**, white soild, m.p. 131-134 °C (90%, 82.3 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.84 (dd, *J* = 13.1, 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (td, *J* = 7.4, 3.4 Hz, 4H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.23 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 151.32, 134.26, 131.28, 130.71, 130.63, 127.57, 127.47, 125.33, 33.63, 30.17. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 41.82. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 366.

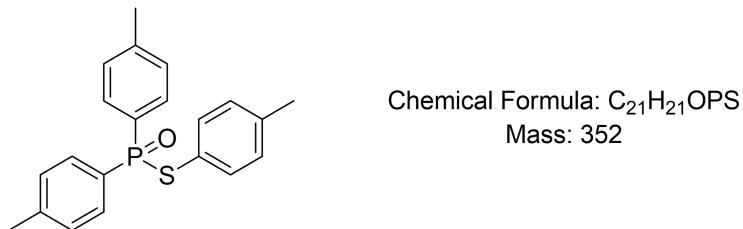


Chemical Formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClOPS  
Mass: 344

S-(4-chlorophenyl)diphenylphosphinothioate<sup>[5]</sup> **6f**, white soild, m.p. 184-187 °C (81%, 68.8 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.88–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.7, 3.6 Hz, 4H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 135.56, 134.60, 131.53, 130.68, 130.59, 128.36, 127.72, 127.62, 127.31, 123.70. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 41.78. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 344.



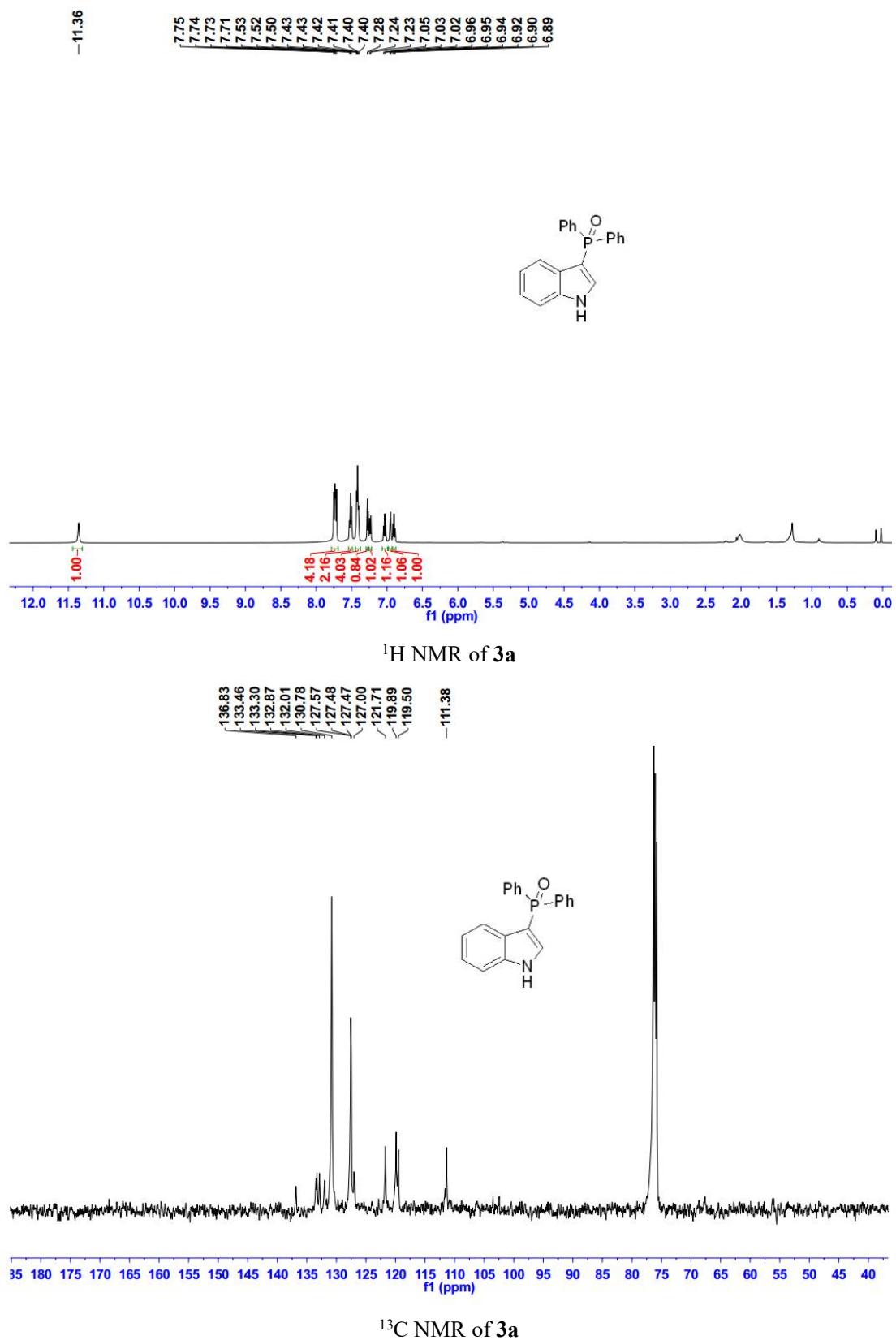
*S-p-tolyl di(naphthalen-2-yl)phosphinothioate<sup>[7]</sup>* **6g**, white solid, 167-169 °C (lit. 159-161 °C, 67%, 71 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.94–8.81 (m, 2H), 8.03 (dd, J = 17.3, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.85–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.37 (dd, J = 10.1, 5.2 Hz, 4H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 139.22 (s), 135.51 (s), 136.26–133.81 (m), 133.54 (dd, J = 25.9, 9.9 Hz), 130.11 (s), 129.85 (d, J = 49.9 Hz), 129.07 (s), 128.93 (d, J = 23.2 Hz), 127.44 (d, J = 11.0 Hz), 126.66 (s), 124.55 (d, J = 15.1 Hz), 123.27 (s), 21.30 (s). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 45.53. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 424.

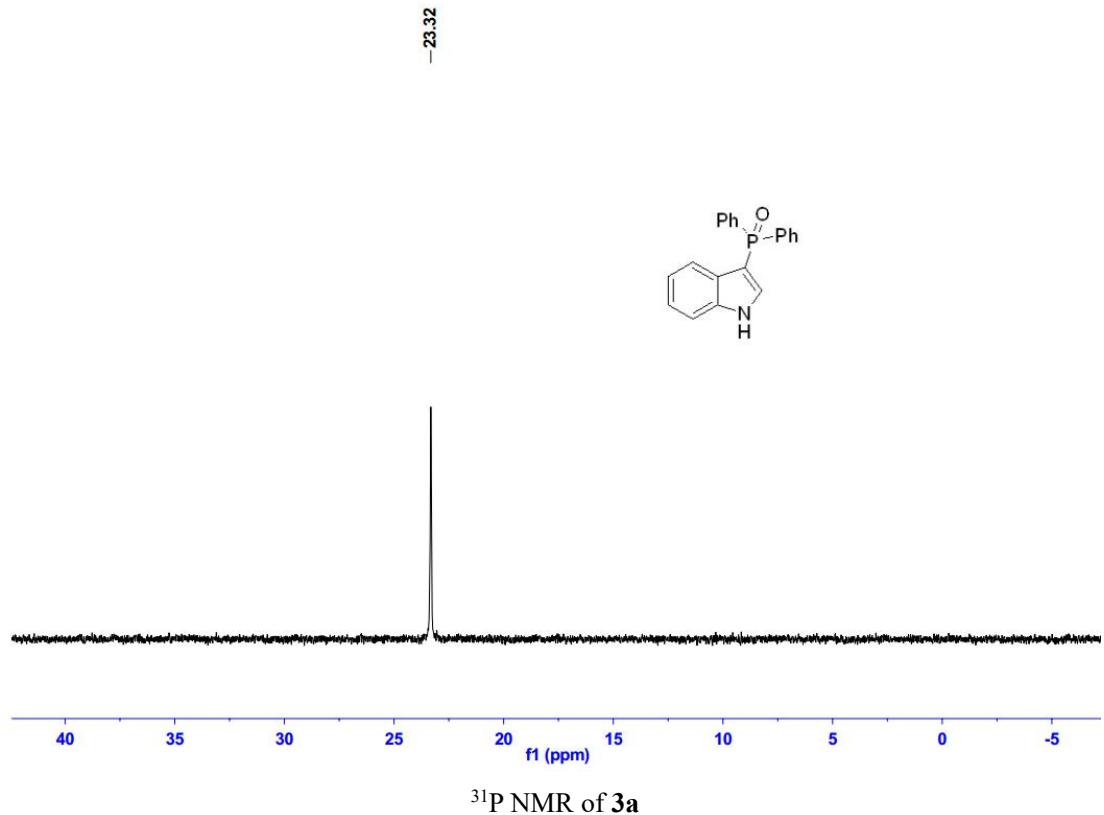


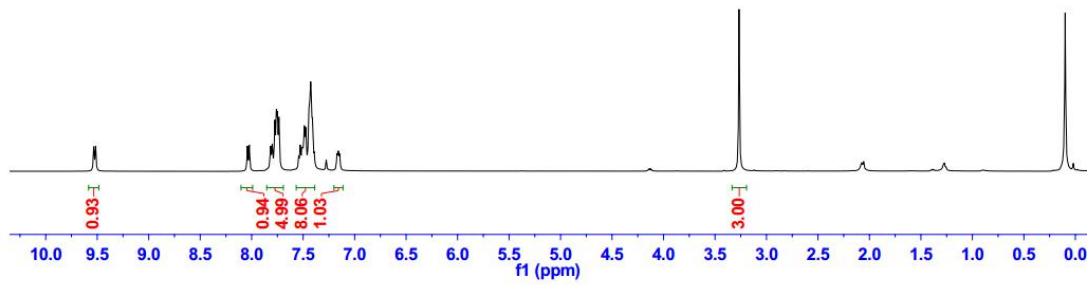
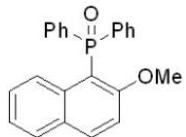
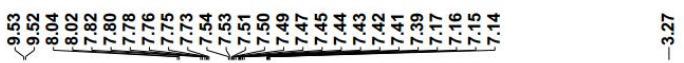
*S-p-tolyl di-p-tolylphosphinothioate<sup>[7]</sup>* **6h**. white solid, m.p. 148-150 °C (lit. 145-147 °C, 78%, 68.6 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.71 (dd, J = 12.7, 8.1 Hz, 4H), 7.32 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.9, 2.9 Hz, 4H), 6.99 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 7H), 2.24 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 143.36, 139.58, 135.84, 132.27, 132.19, 130.51, 129.88, 129.78, 123.29, 22.20, 21.75. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 42.23. GC-MS (EI) *m/z*: 352.

- [1] Benincori, T.; Piccolo, O.; Rizzo, S.; Sannicola, F. *J. Org. Chem.* **2000**, *65*, 8340-8347.
- [2] Tolmachev, A. A.; Ivonin, S. P.; Kharchenko, A. V.; Kozlov, E. S. *Zhurnal Obshchey Khimii*, **1989**, *59*, 1193-1194.
- [3] Xiong, B.; Hu, C.; Li, H.; Zhou, C.; Zhang, P.; Liu, Y.; Tang, K. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2017**, *58*, 2482-2486.
- [4] Revol, G.; McCallum, T.; Morin, M.; Gagossz, F.; Barriault, L. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2013**, *52*, 13342-13345.
- [5] He, W.; Hou, X.; Li, X.; Song, L.; Yu, Q.; Wang, Z. *Tetrahedron* **2017**, *73*, 3133-3138.
- [6] Kumaraswamy, G.; Raju, R. *Adv. Syn. Catal.* **2014**, *356*, 2591-2598.
- [7] Lin, Y.-m.; Lu, G.-p.; Wang, G.-x.; Yi, W.-b. *J. Org. Chem.* **2017**, *82*, 382-389.

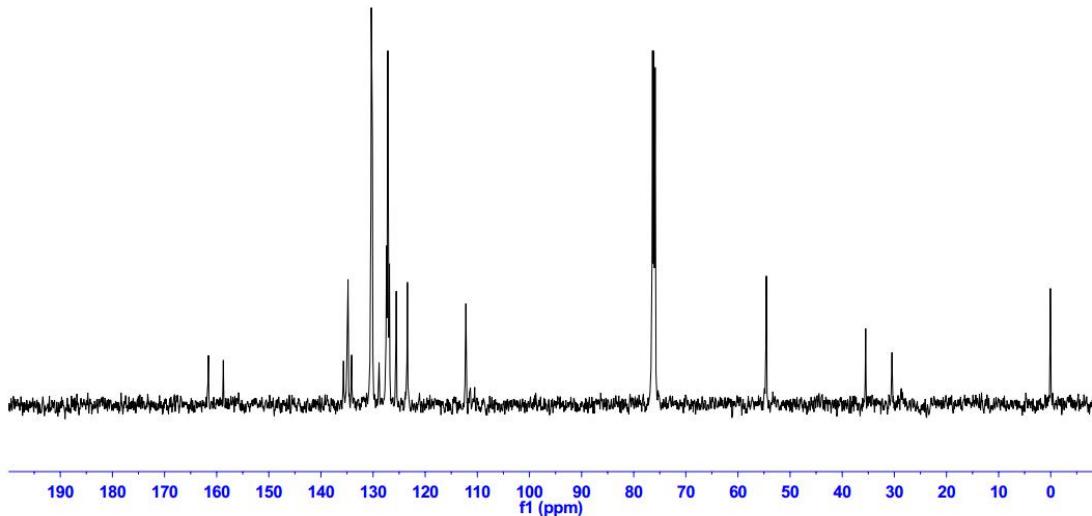
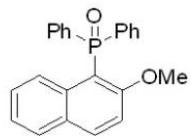
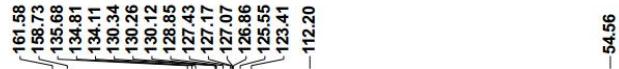
### 3 NMR Spectra of All Products



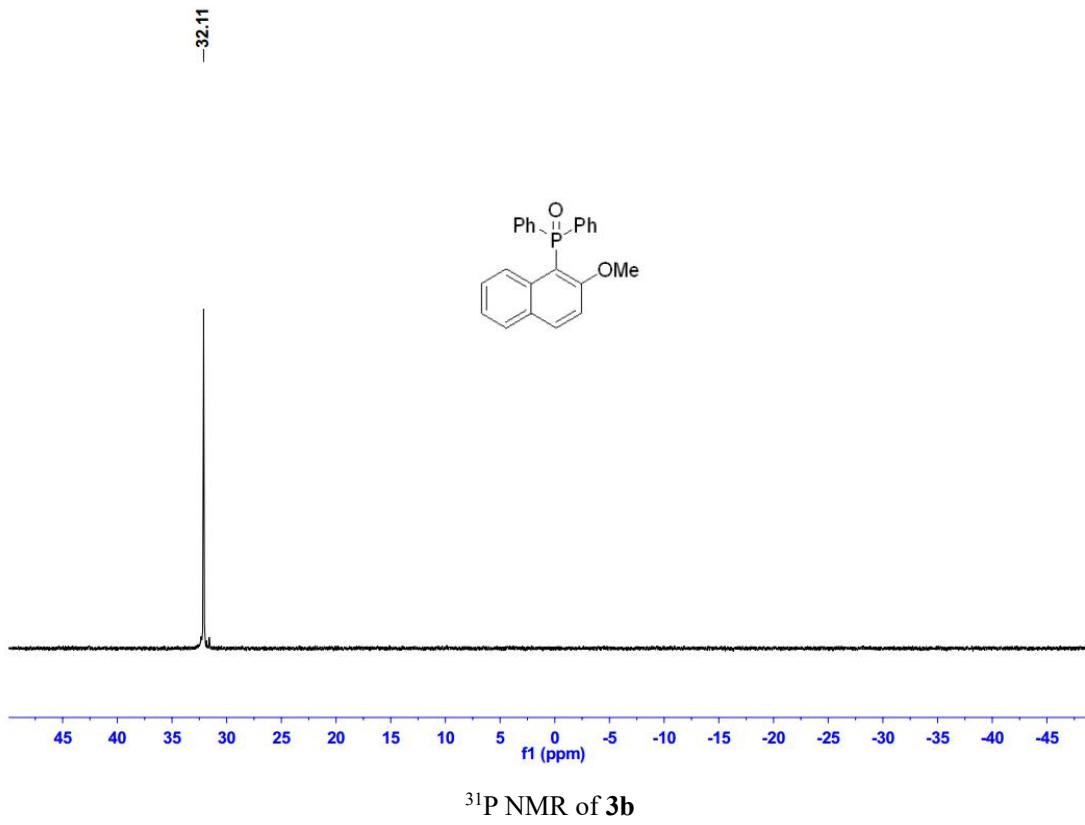


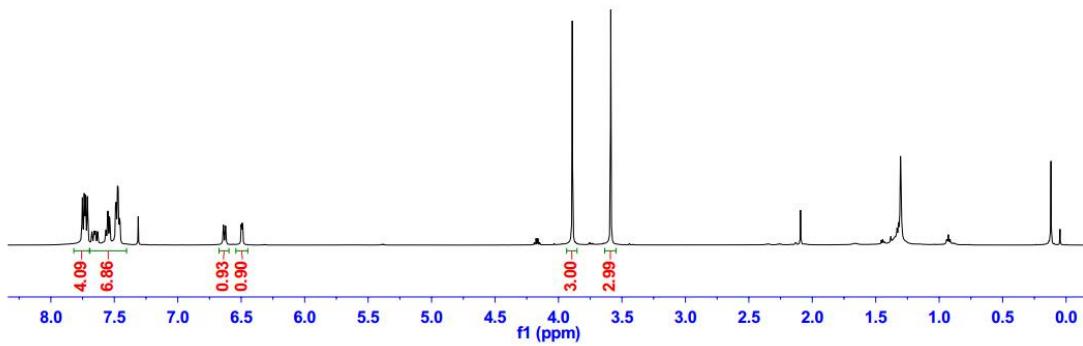
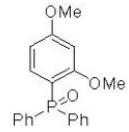
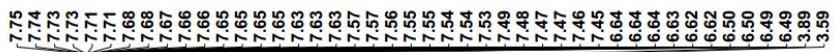


<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **3b**



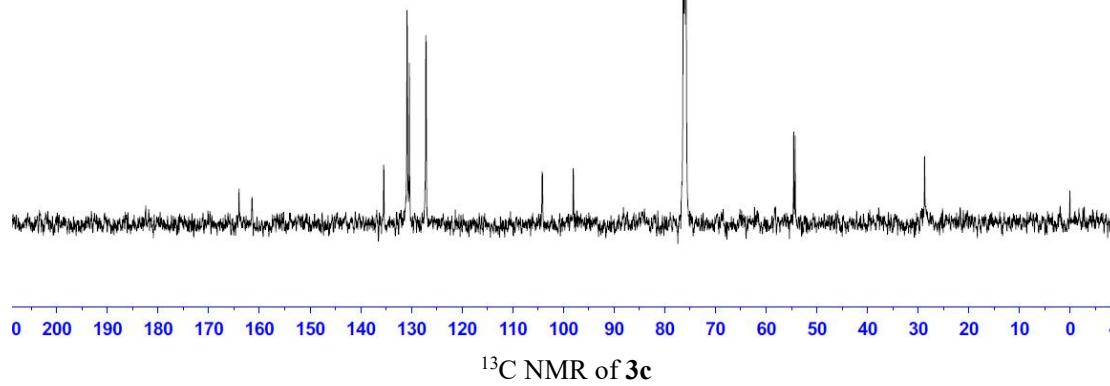
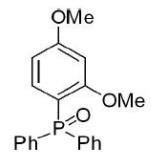
<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3b**





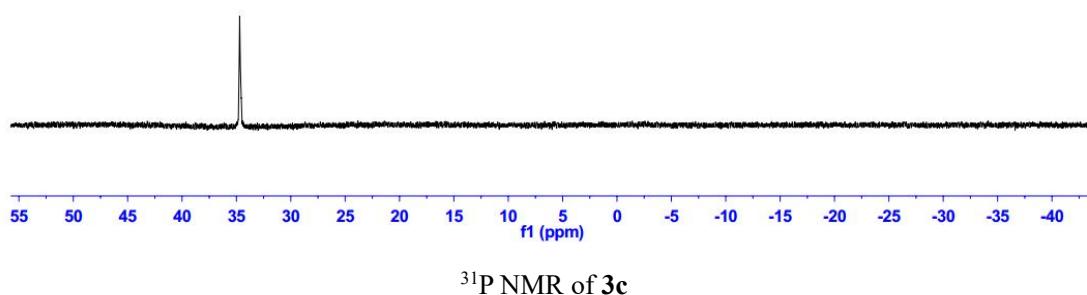
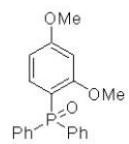
<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **3c**

164.01  
 ~161.36  
 135.46  
 130.87  
 130.78  
 130.39  
 127.16  
 127.06  
 -104.21  
 -98.06

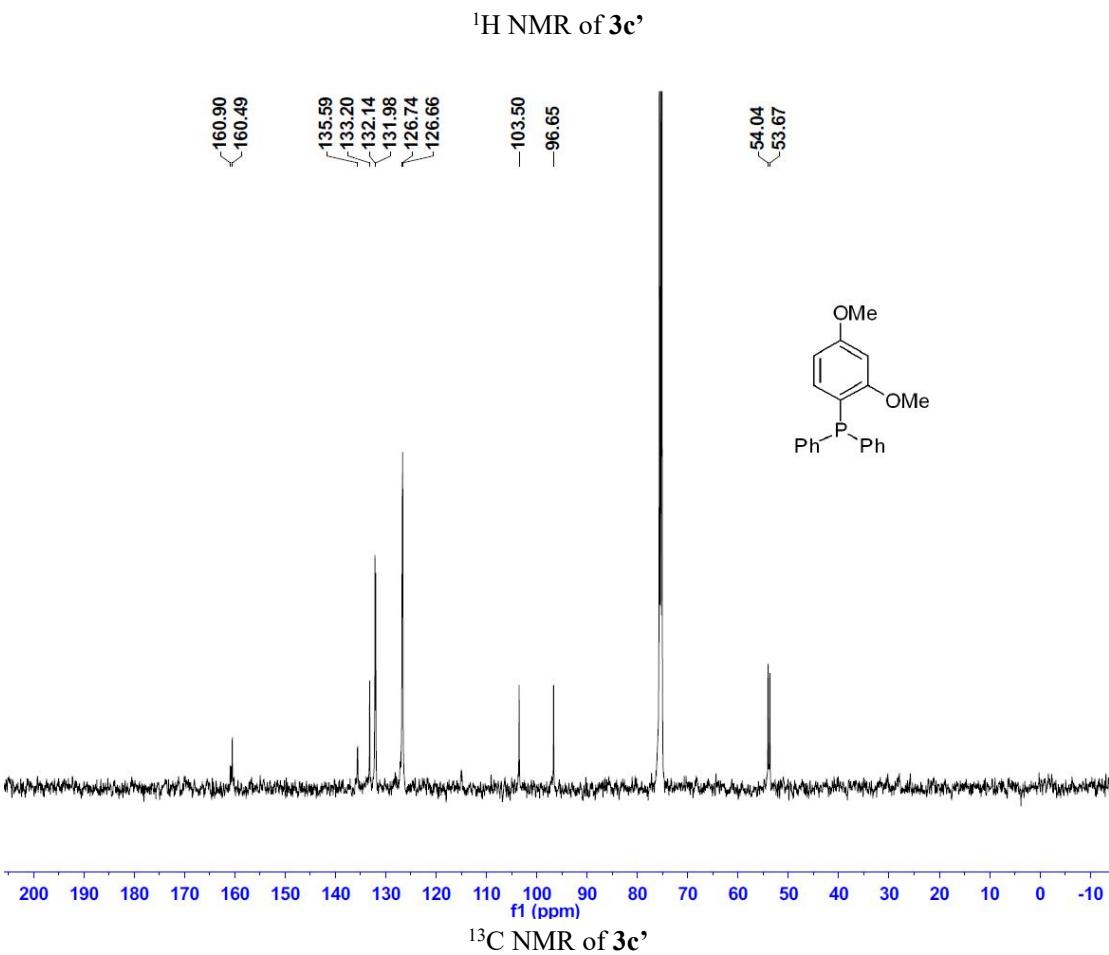
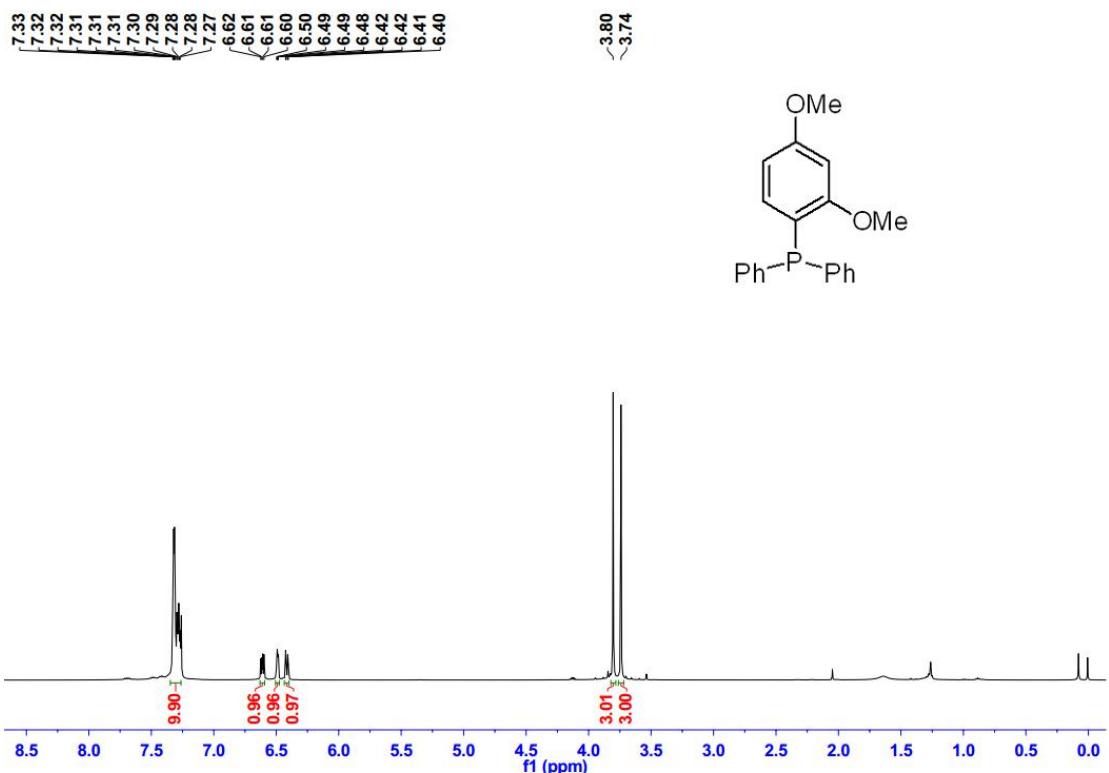


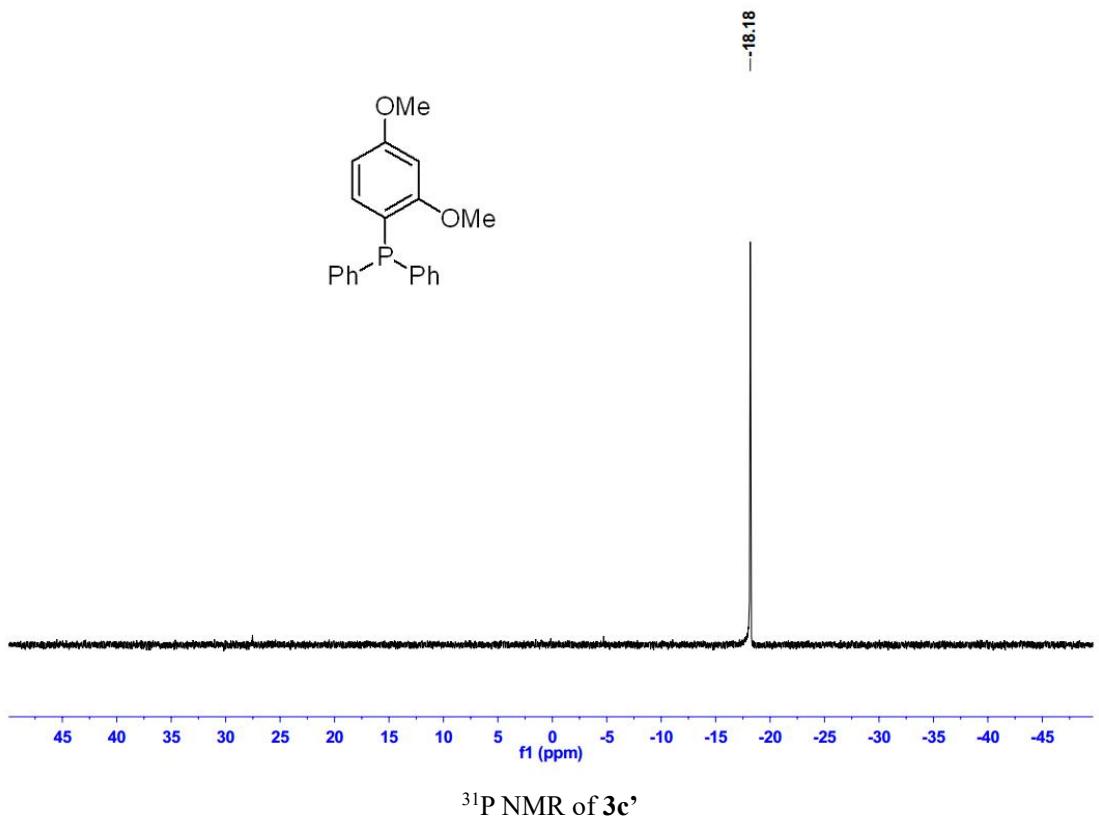
<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3c**

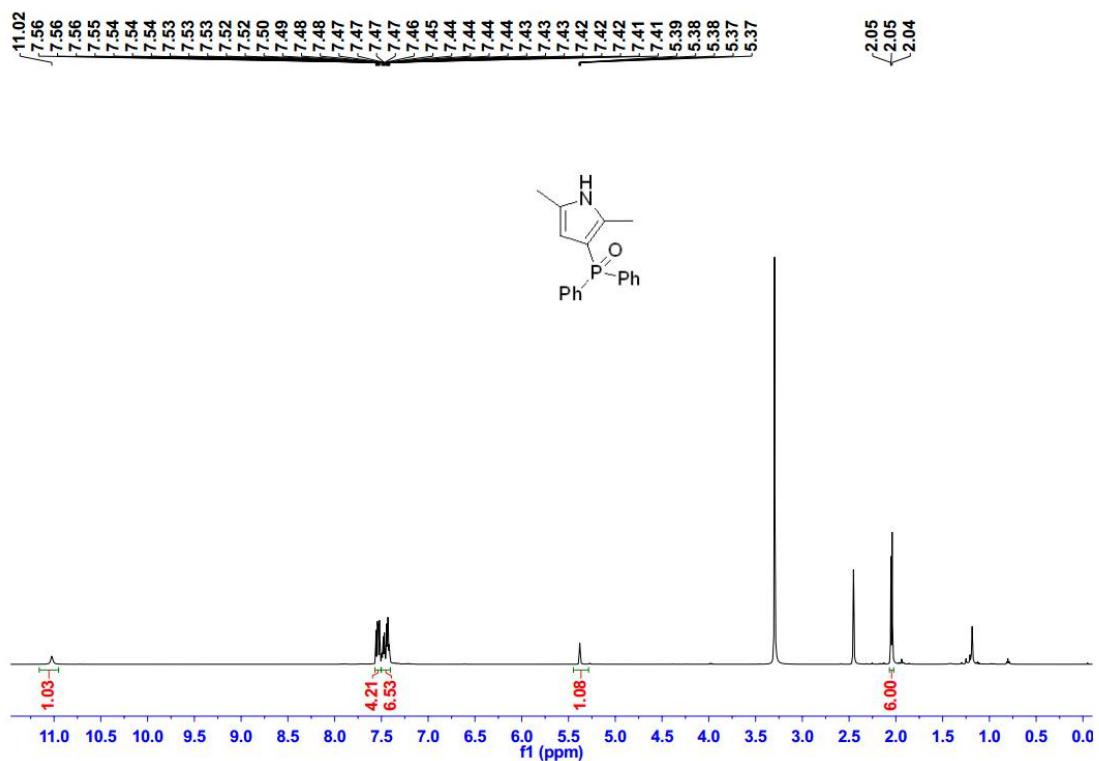
-34.70



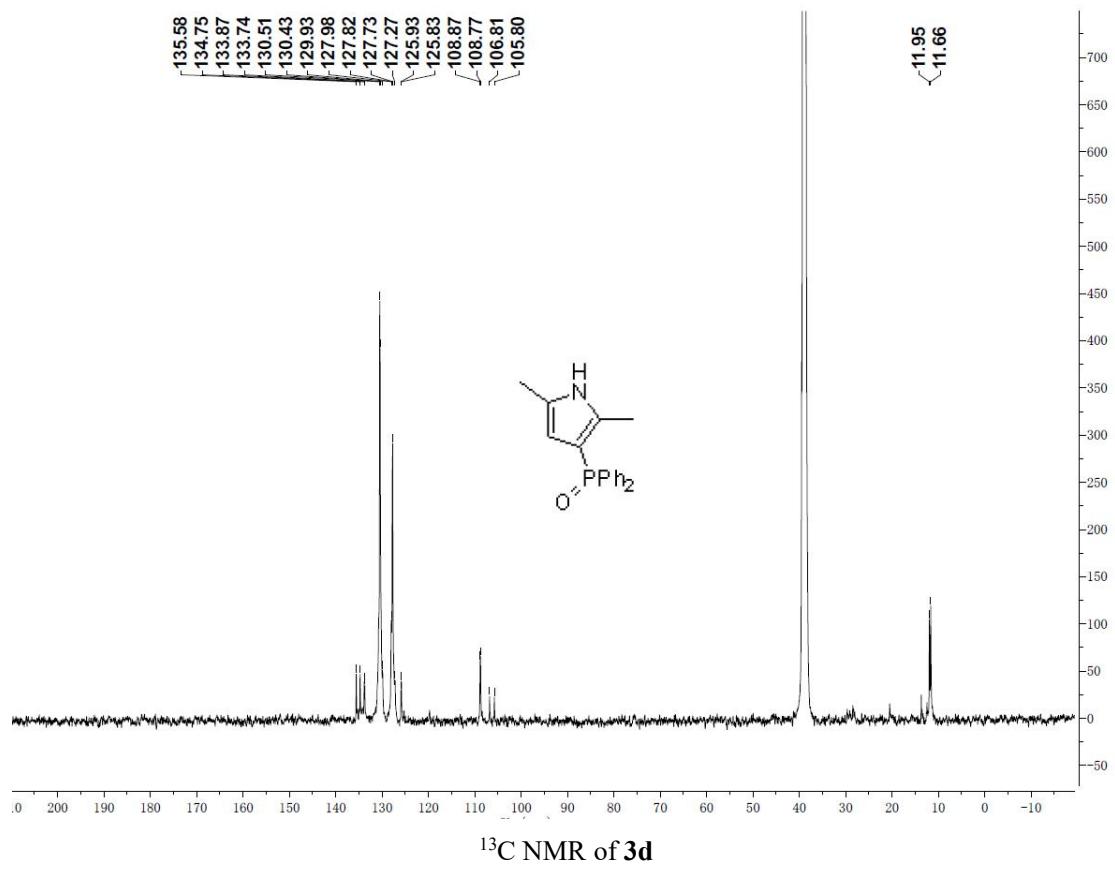
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **3c**



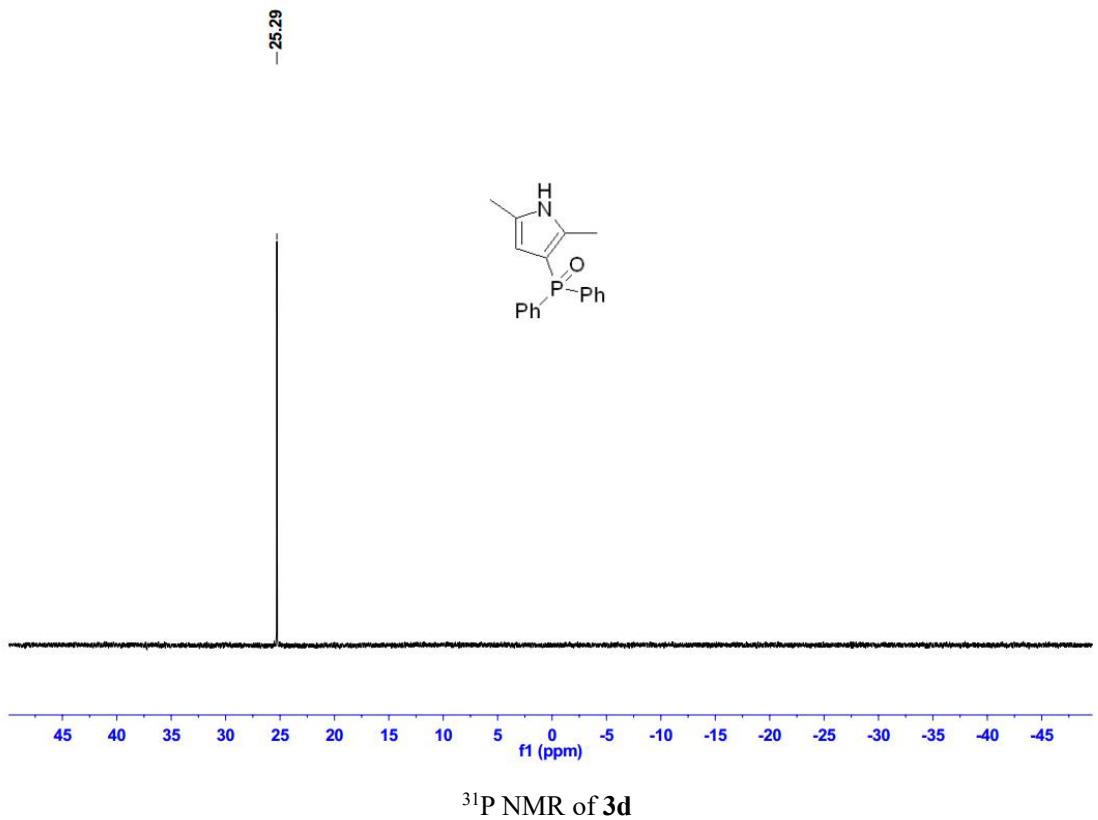


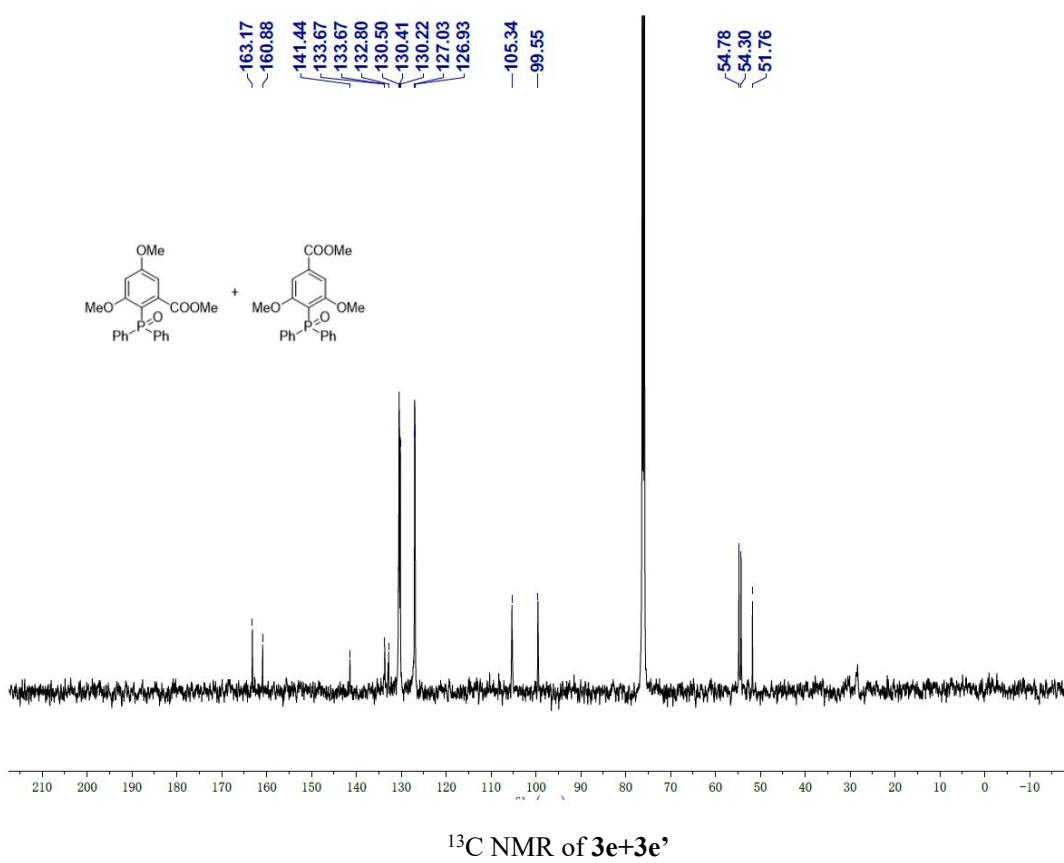
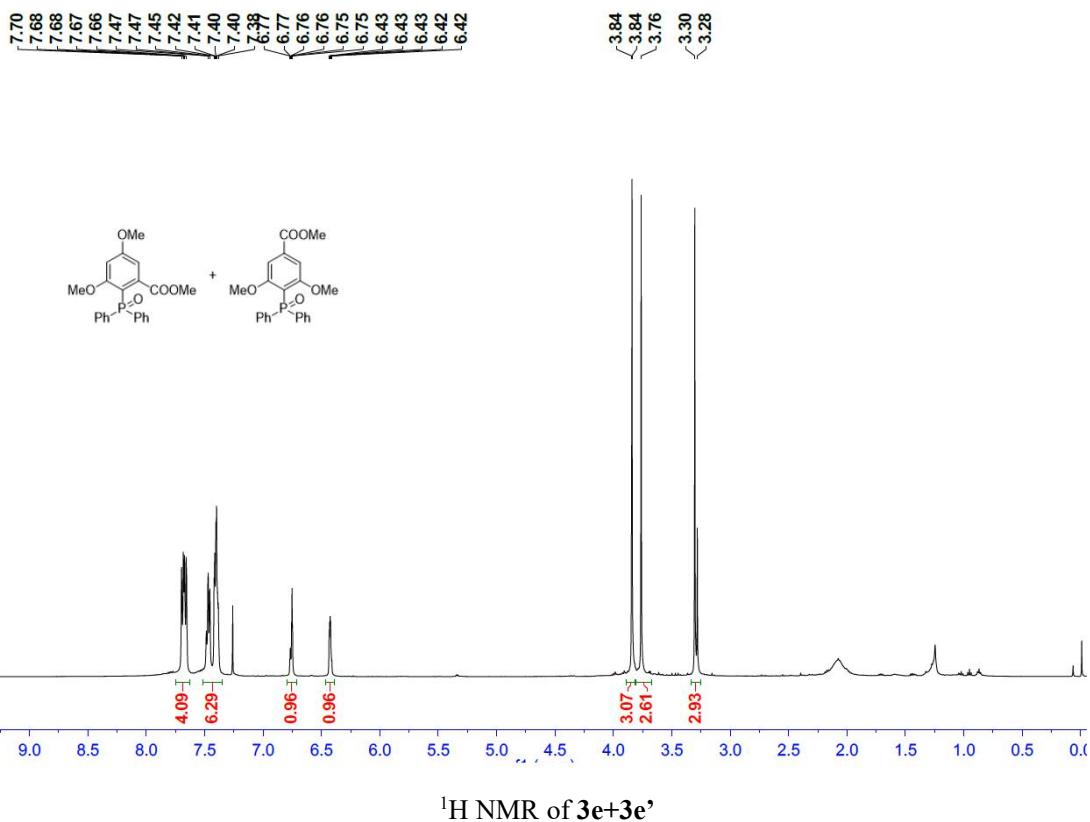


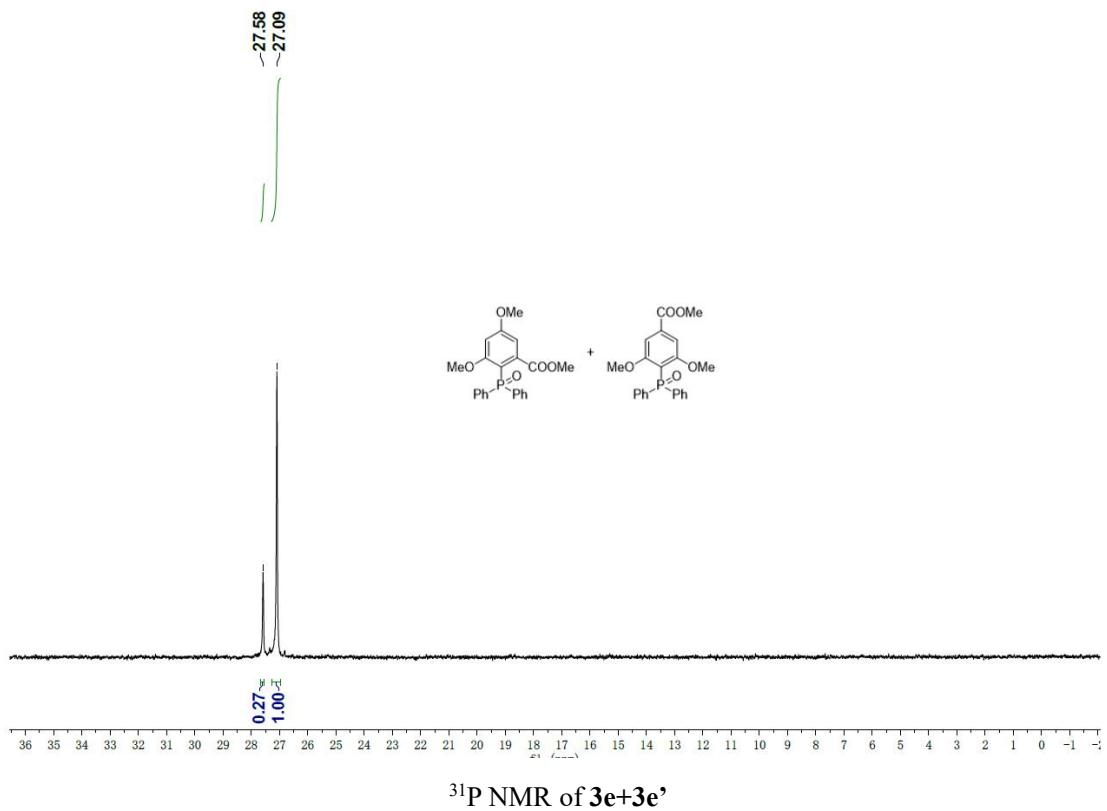
<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **3d**

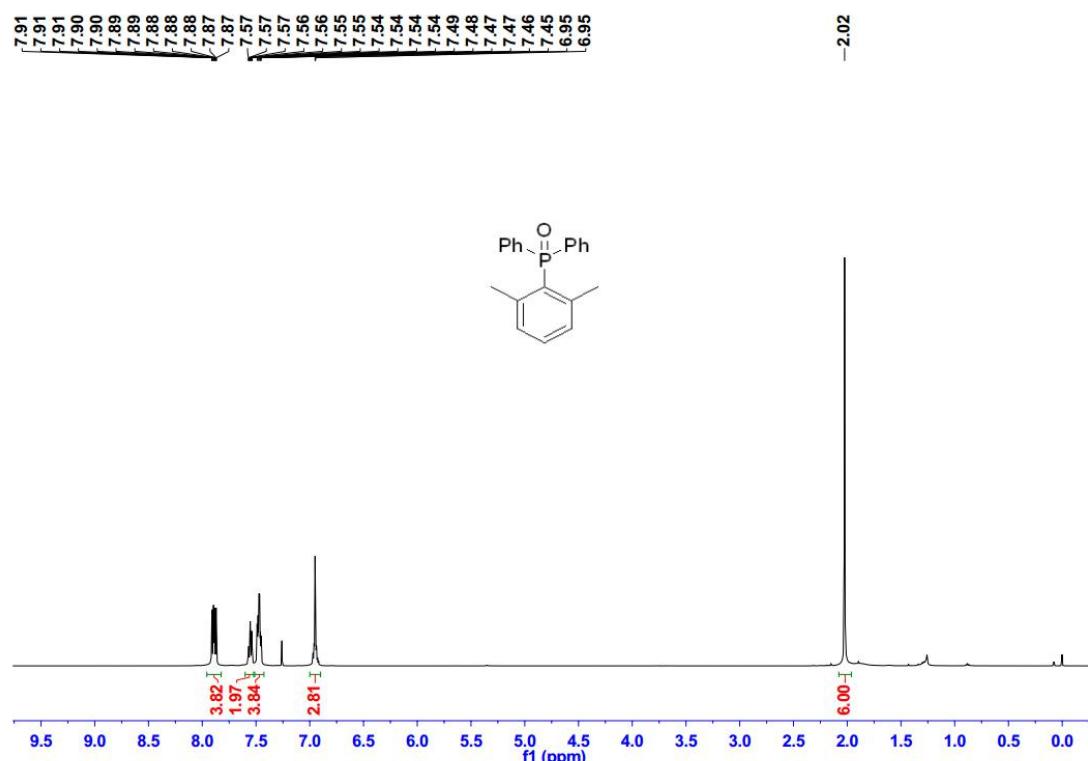


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3d**

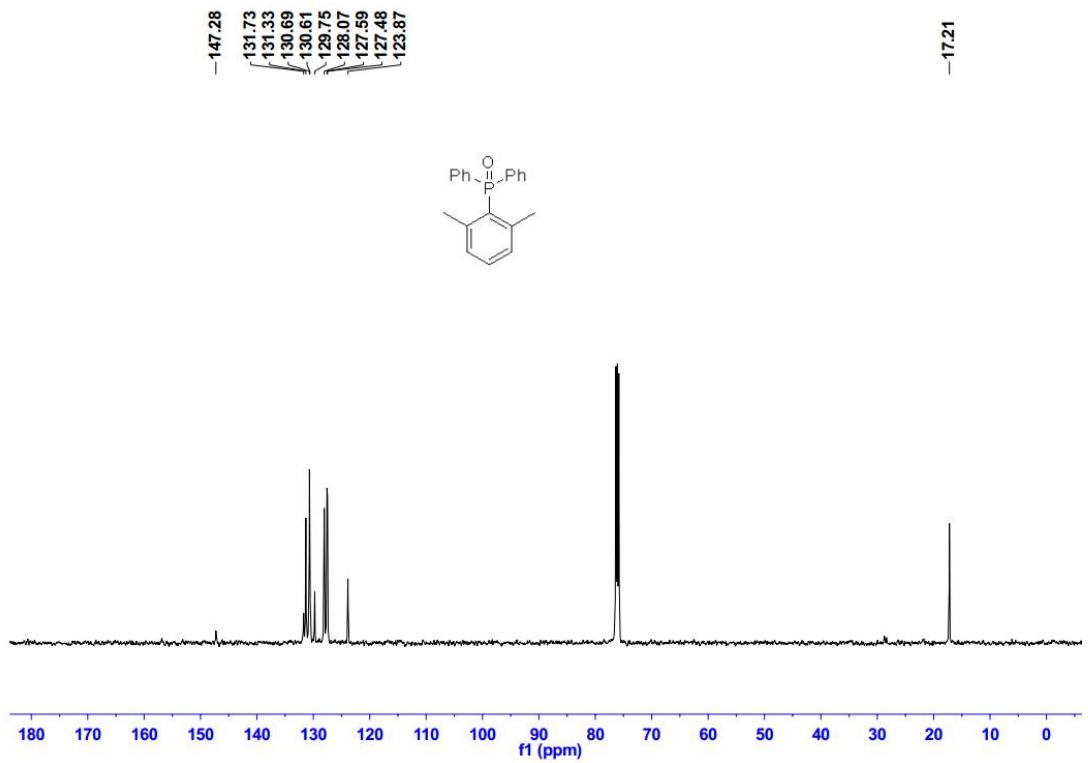




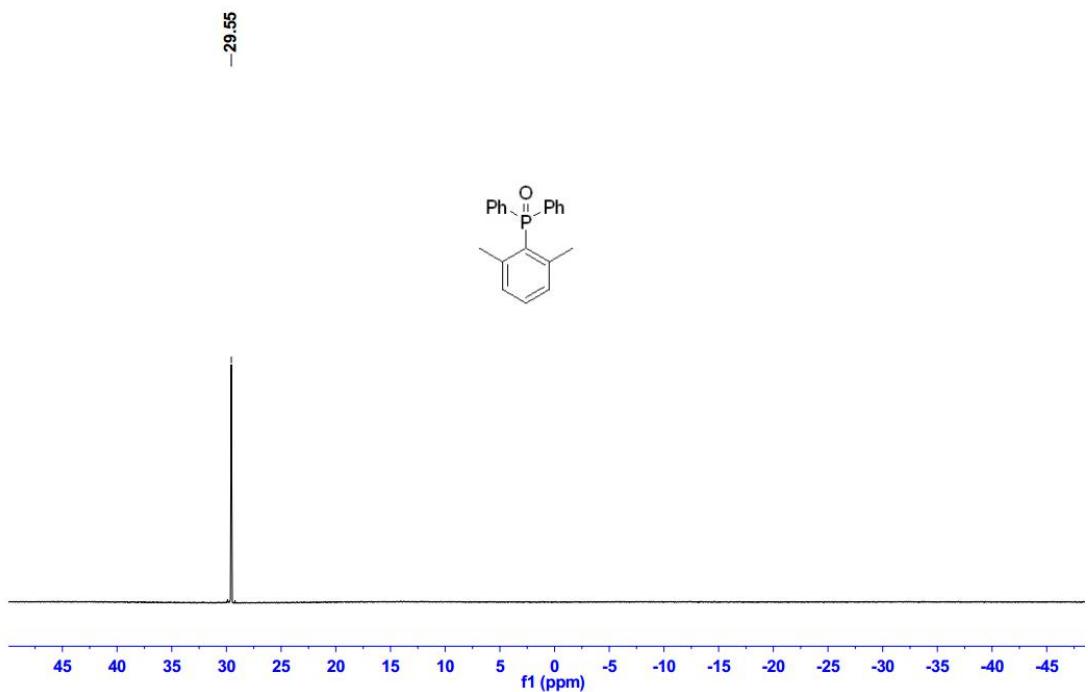




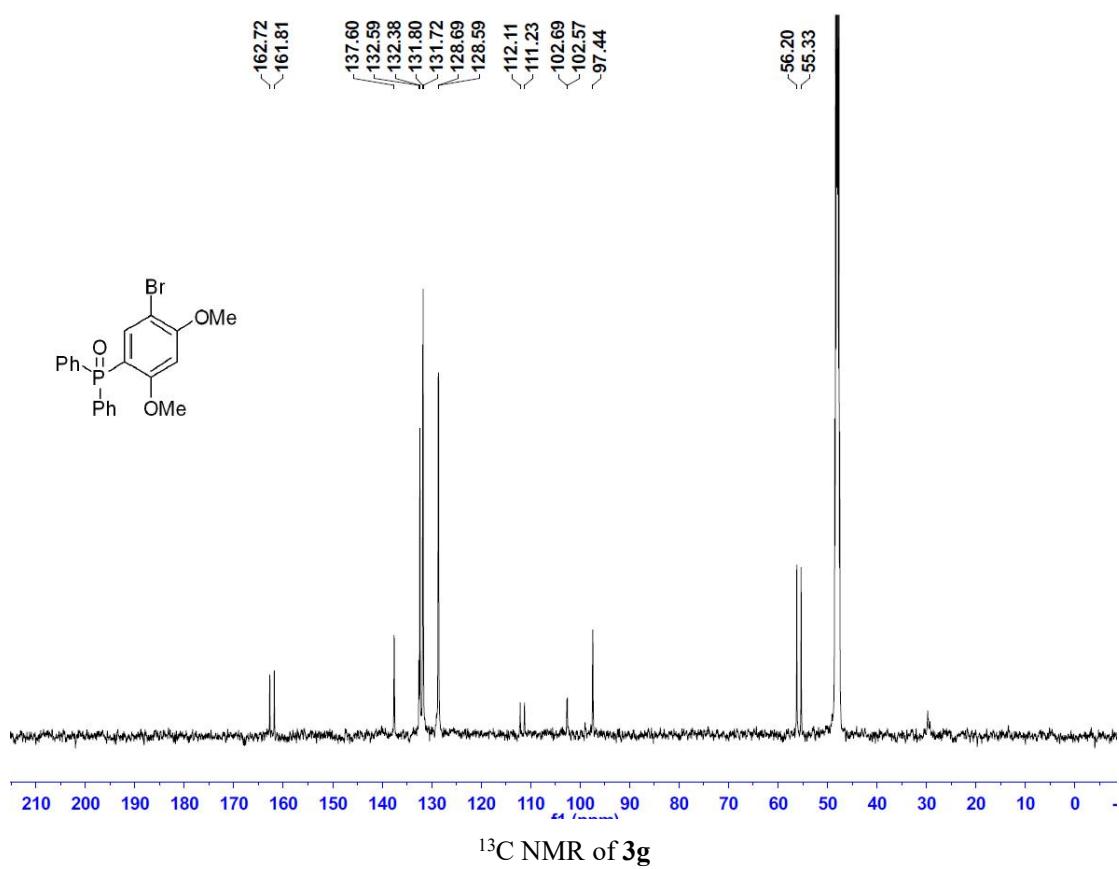
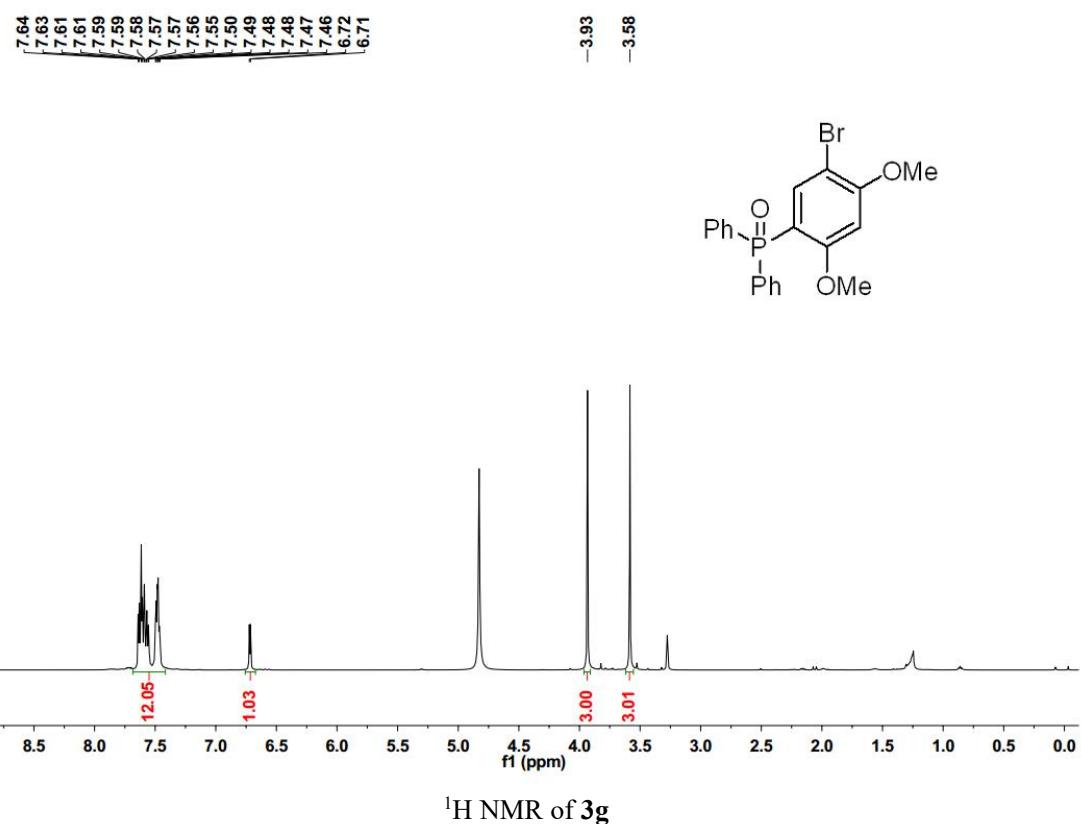
### <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 3f



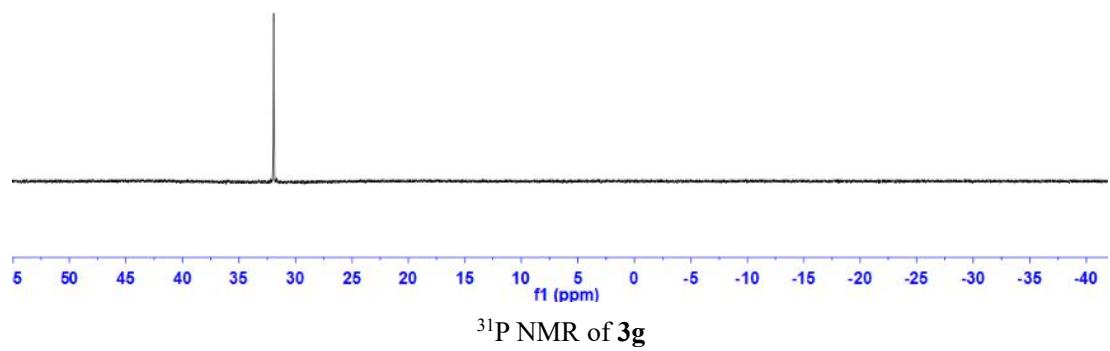
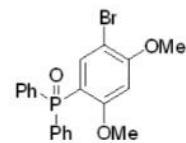
### <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 3f



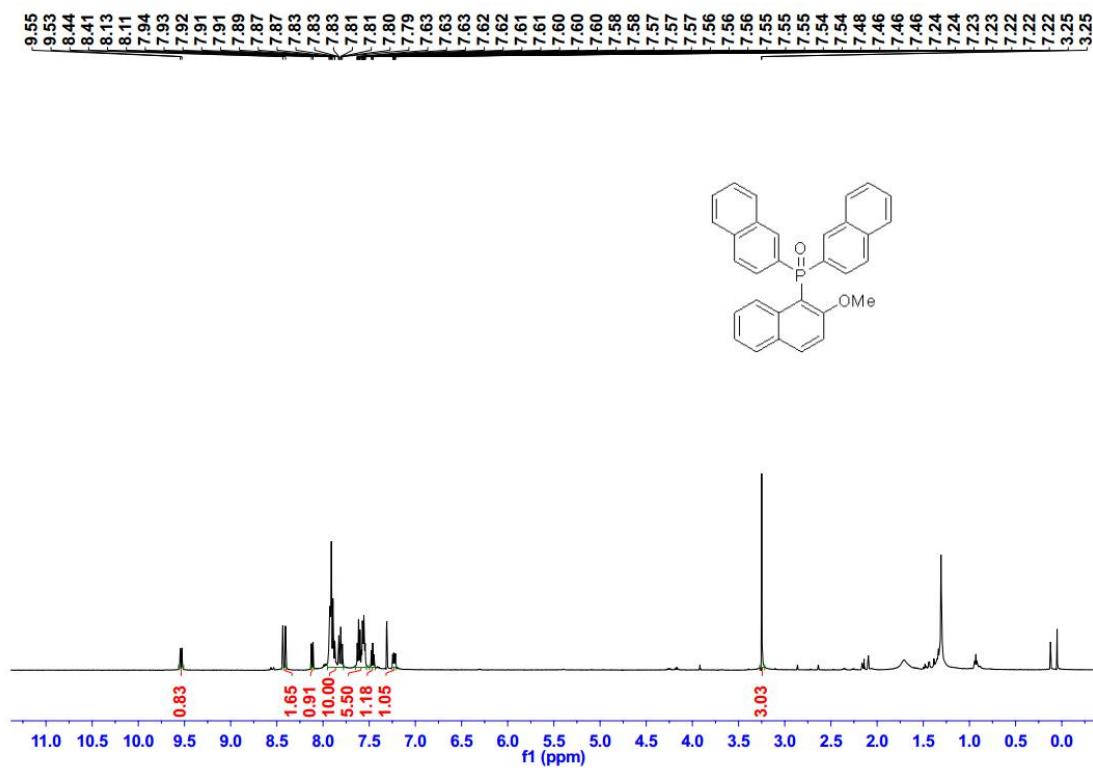
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **3f**



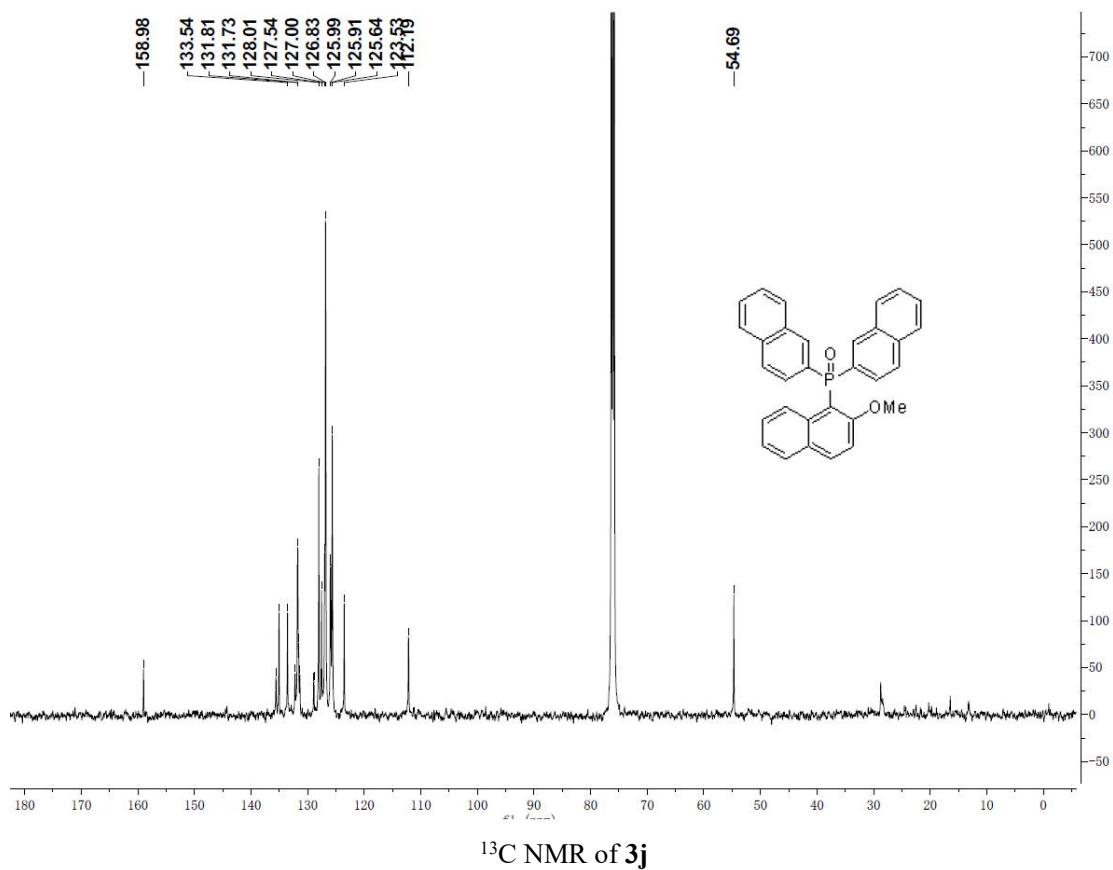
-31.94



$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **3g**

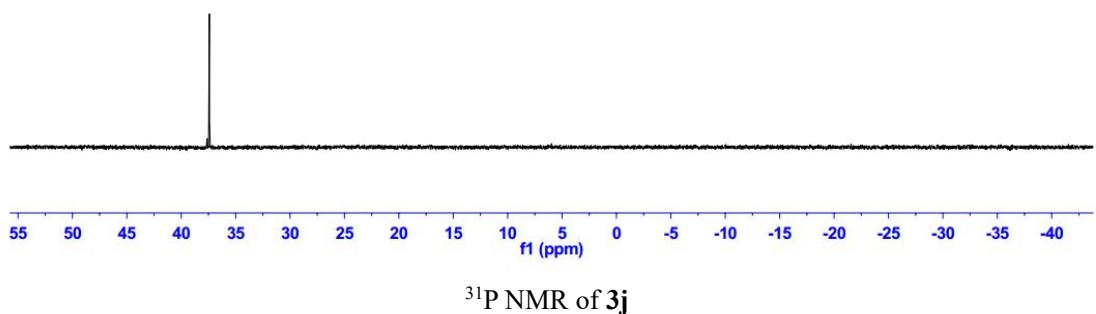
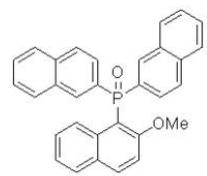


### <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 3j



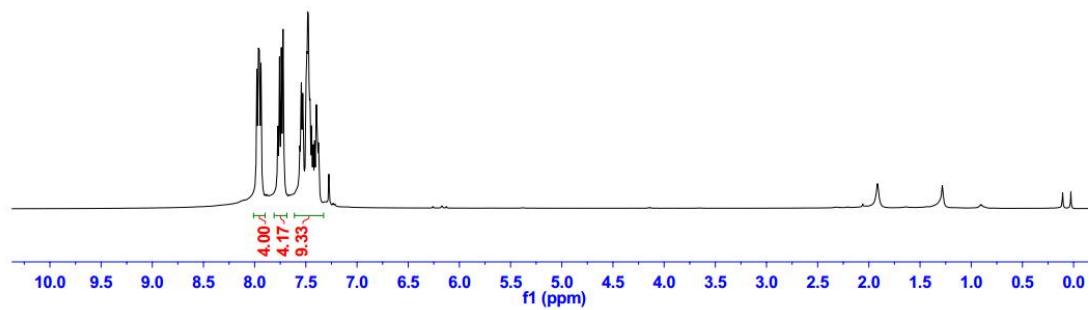
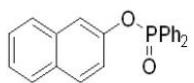
### <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 3j

-37.42



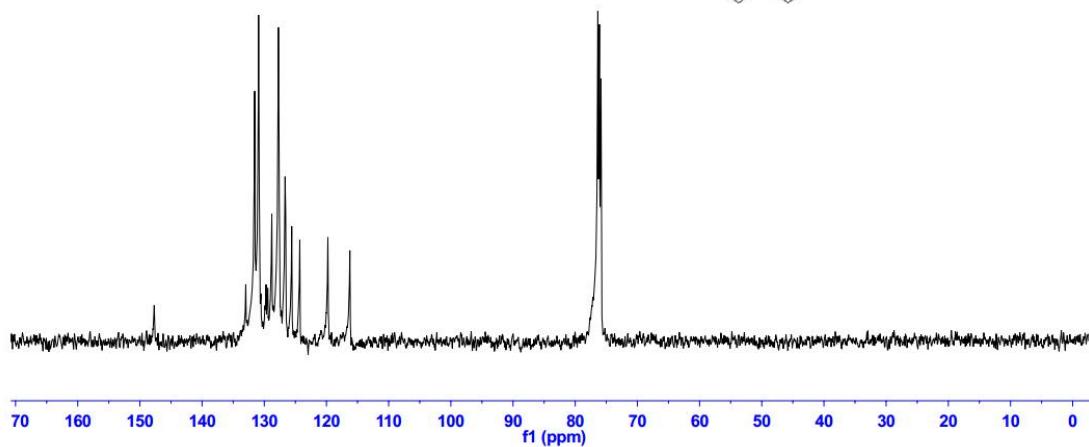
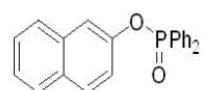
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **3j**

7.98  
7.96  
7.95  
7.94  
7.77  
7.76  
7.74  
7.72  
7.56  
7.54  
7.53  
7.50  
7.49  
7.48  
7.47  
7.46  
7.44  
7.43  
7.41  
7.40  
7.38  
7.37

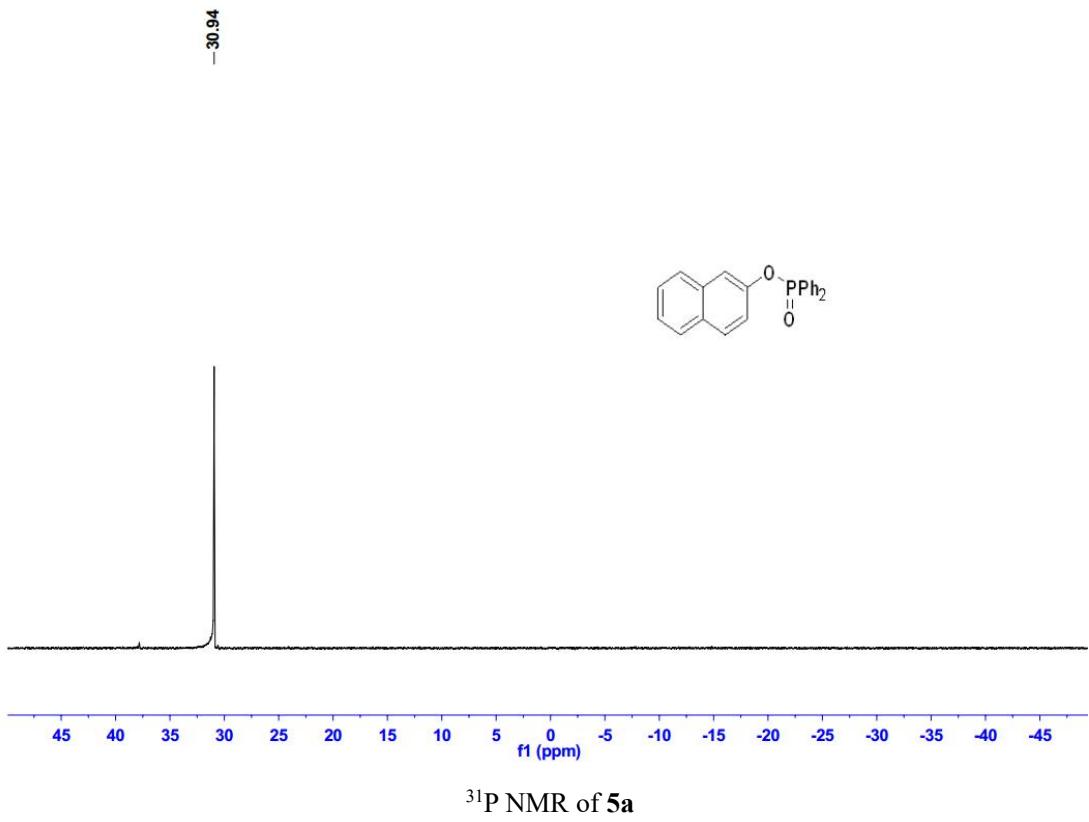


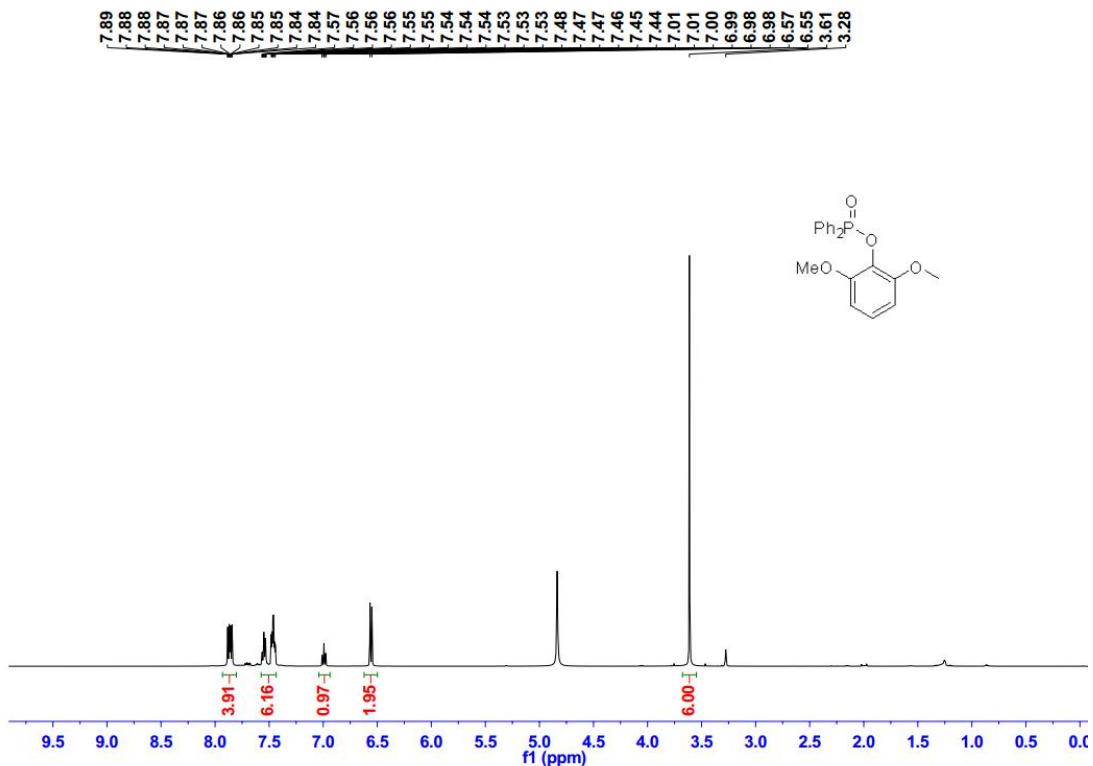
<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **5a**

147.70  
132.99  
131.55  
130.92  
130.84  
129.71  
129.43  
128.79  
127.73  
127.62  
126.66  
126.55  
125.59  
124.29  
119.78  
116.24

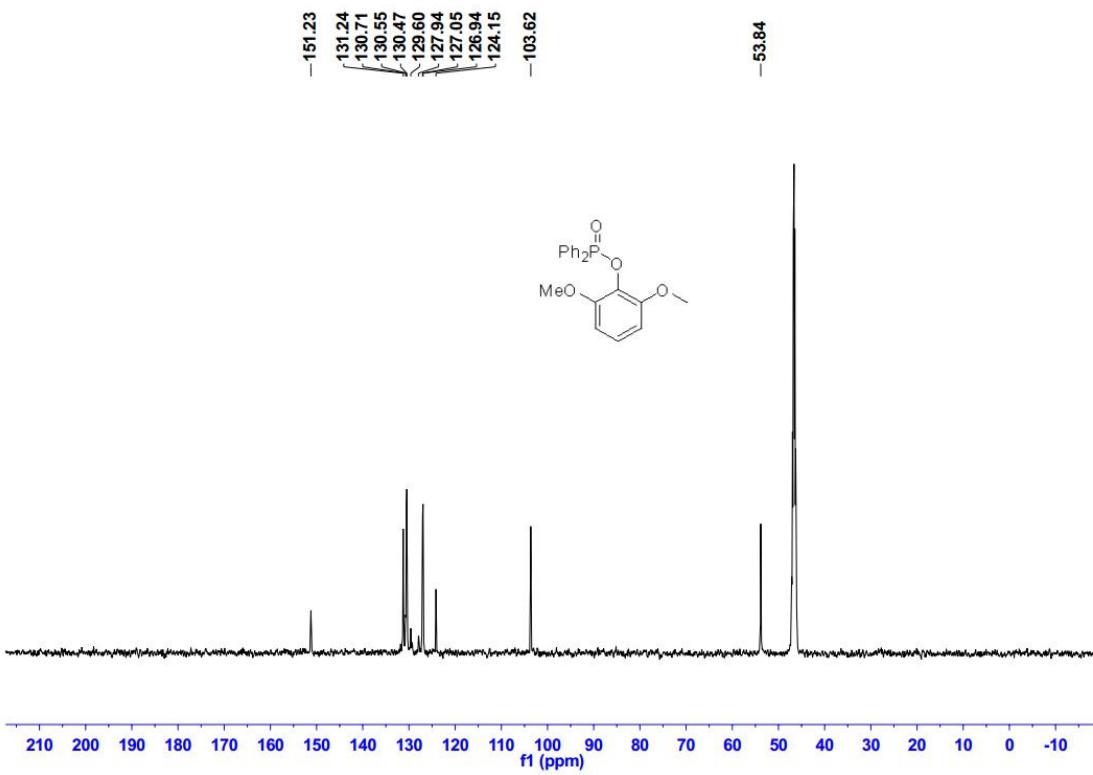


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5a**

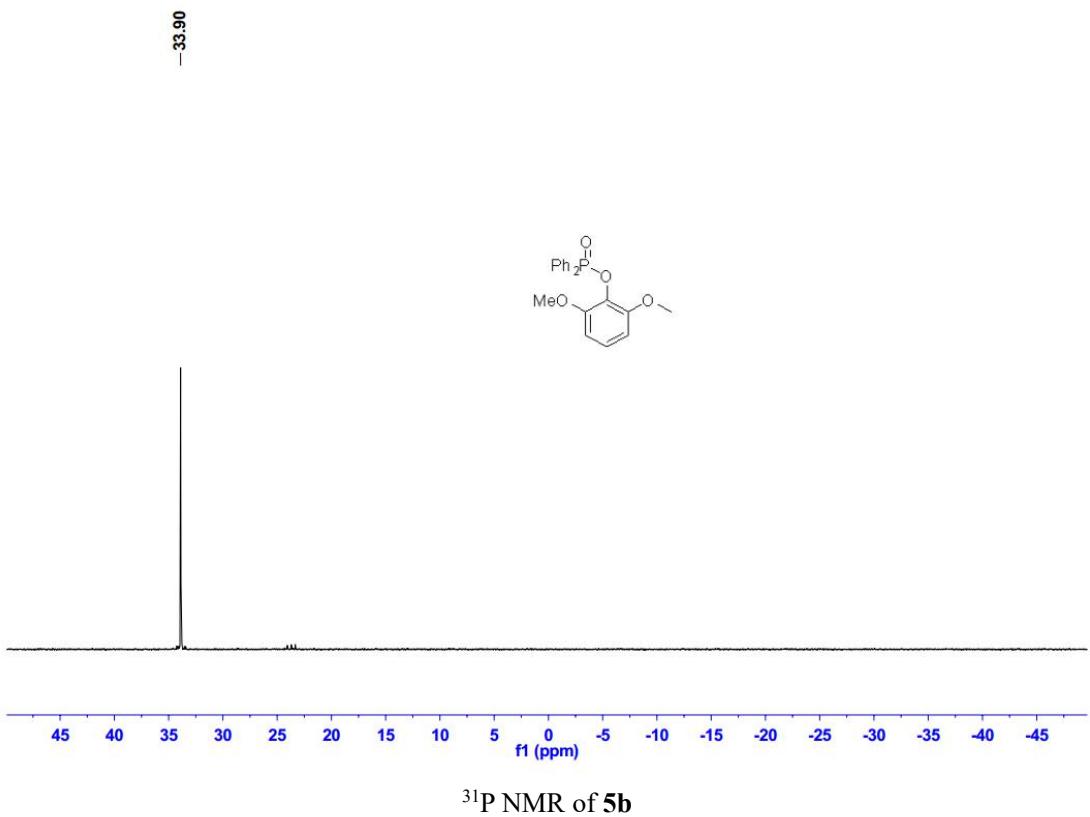


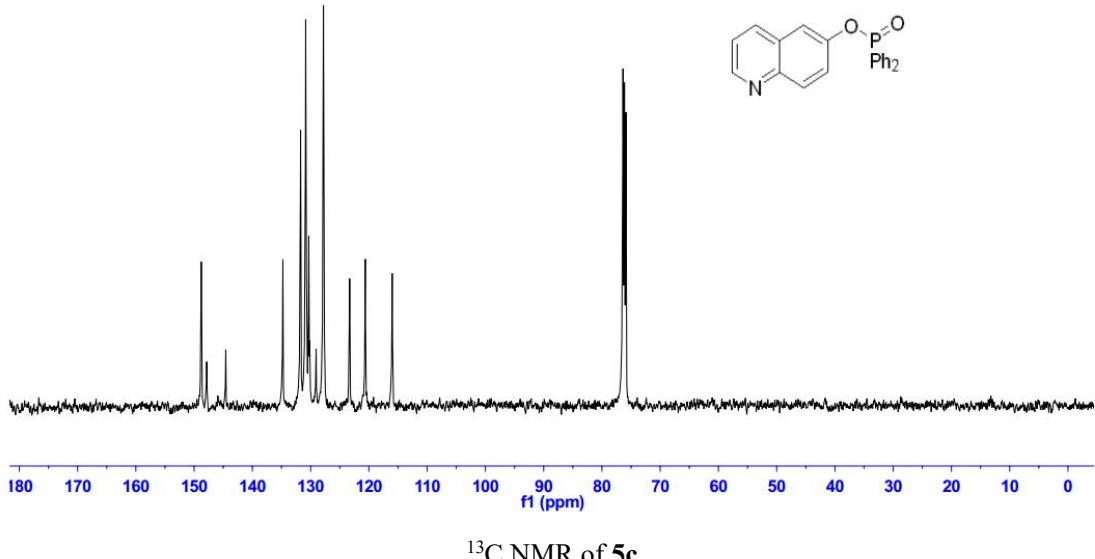
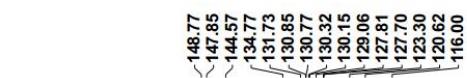
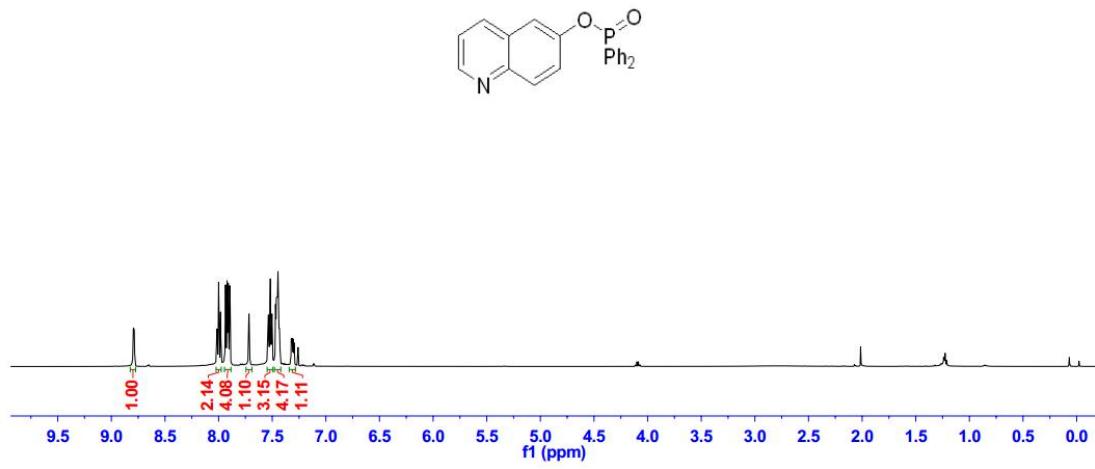
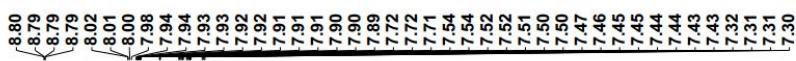


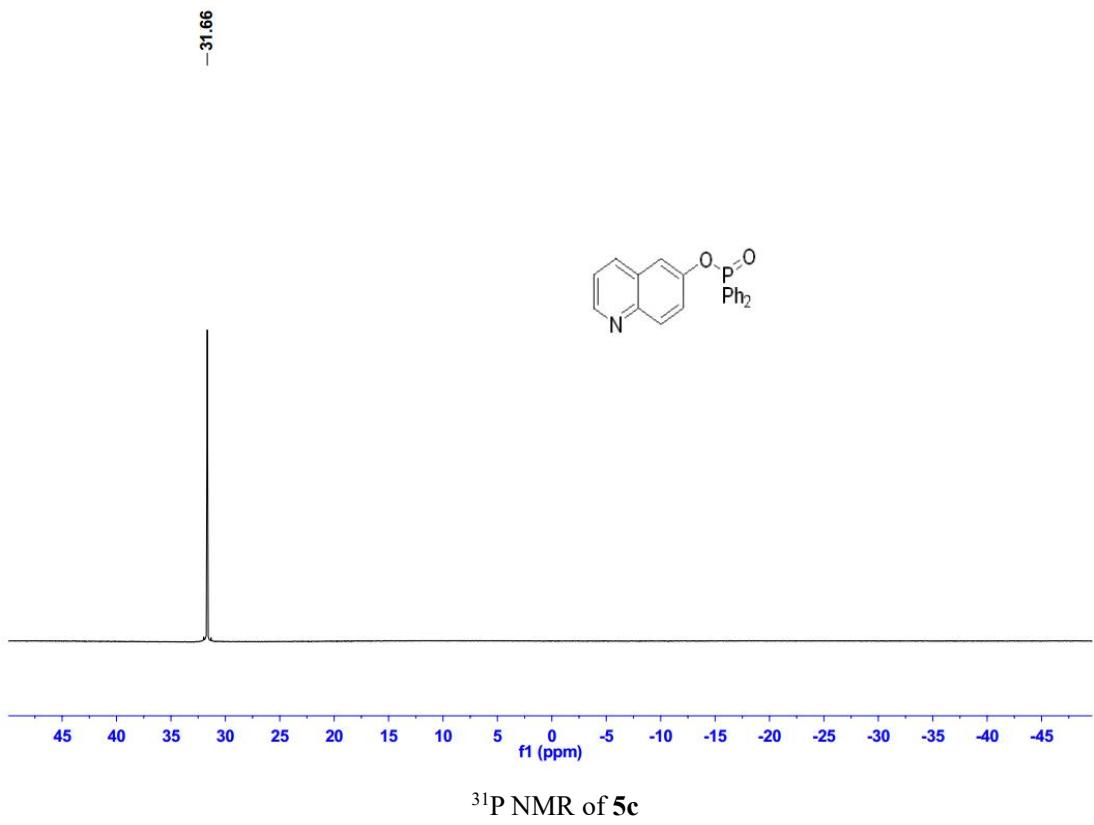
### <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **5b**

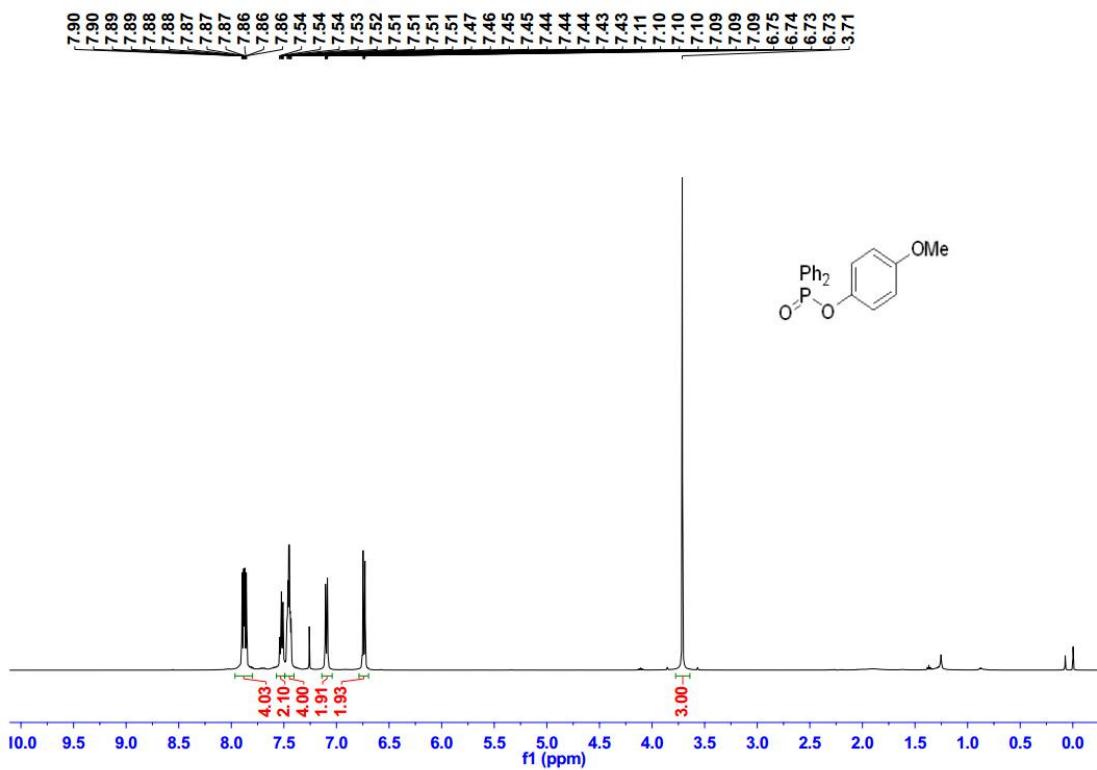


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5b**

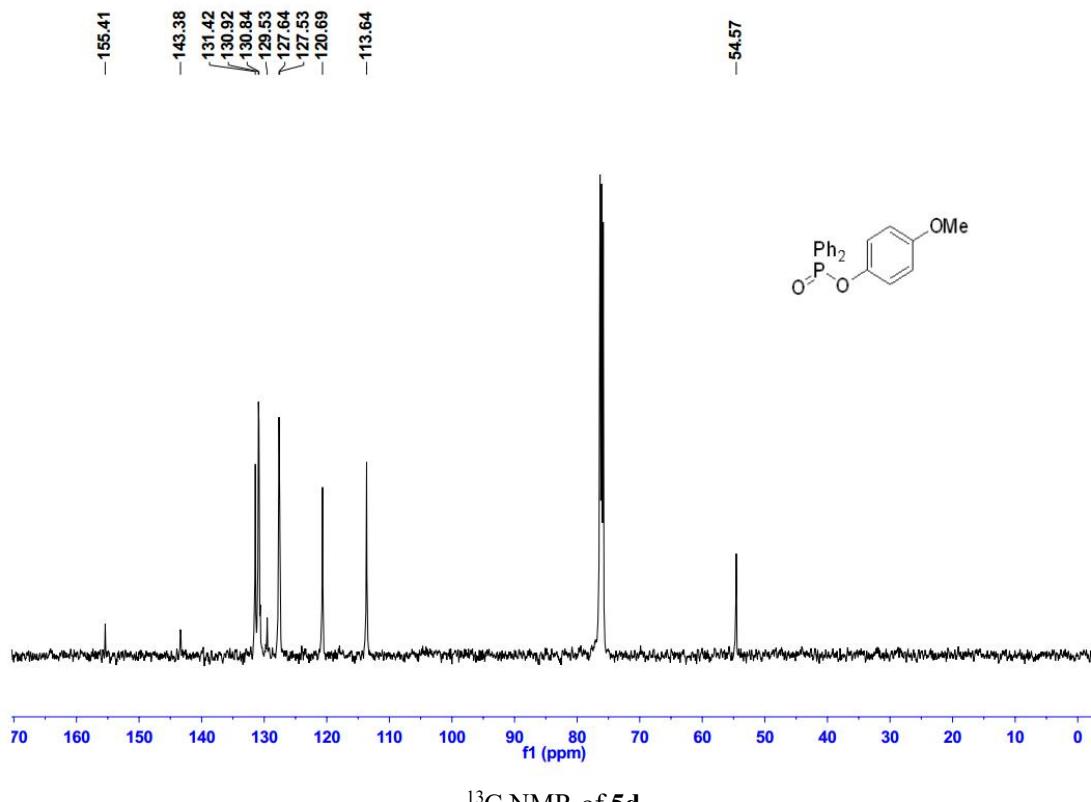




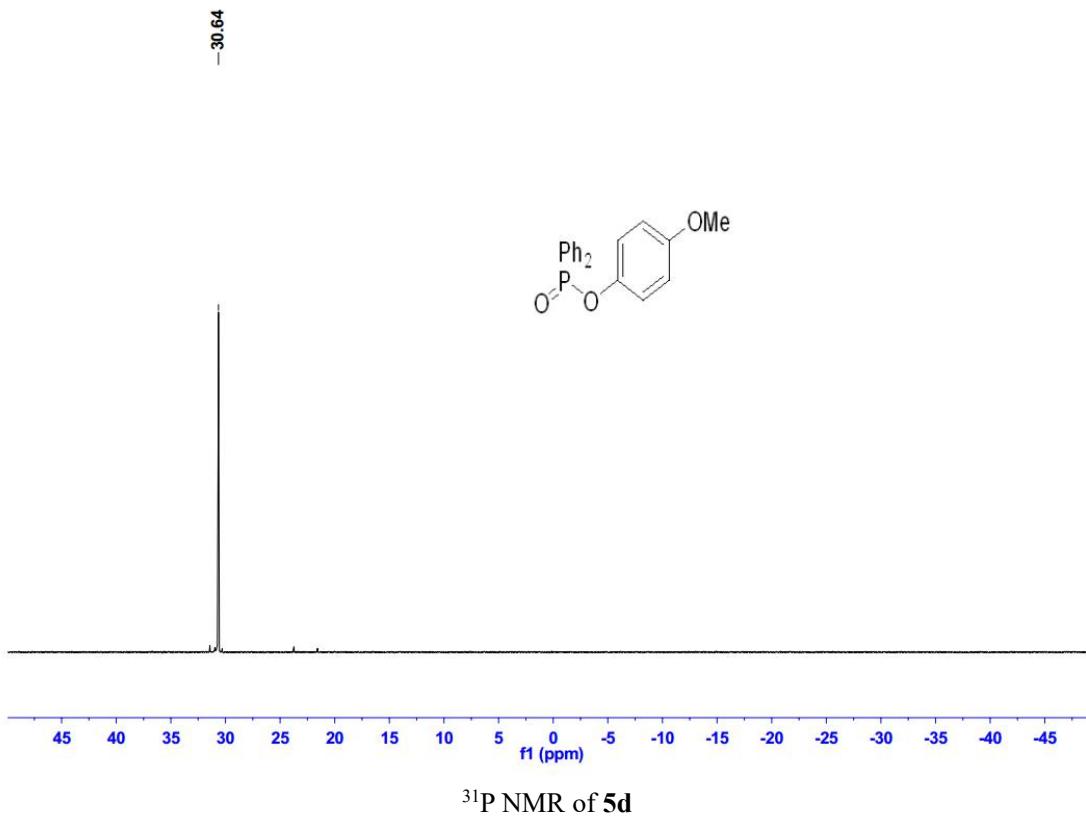


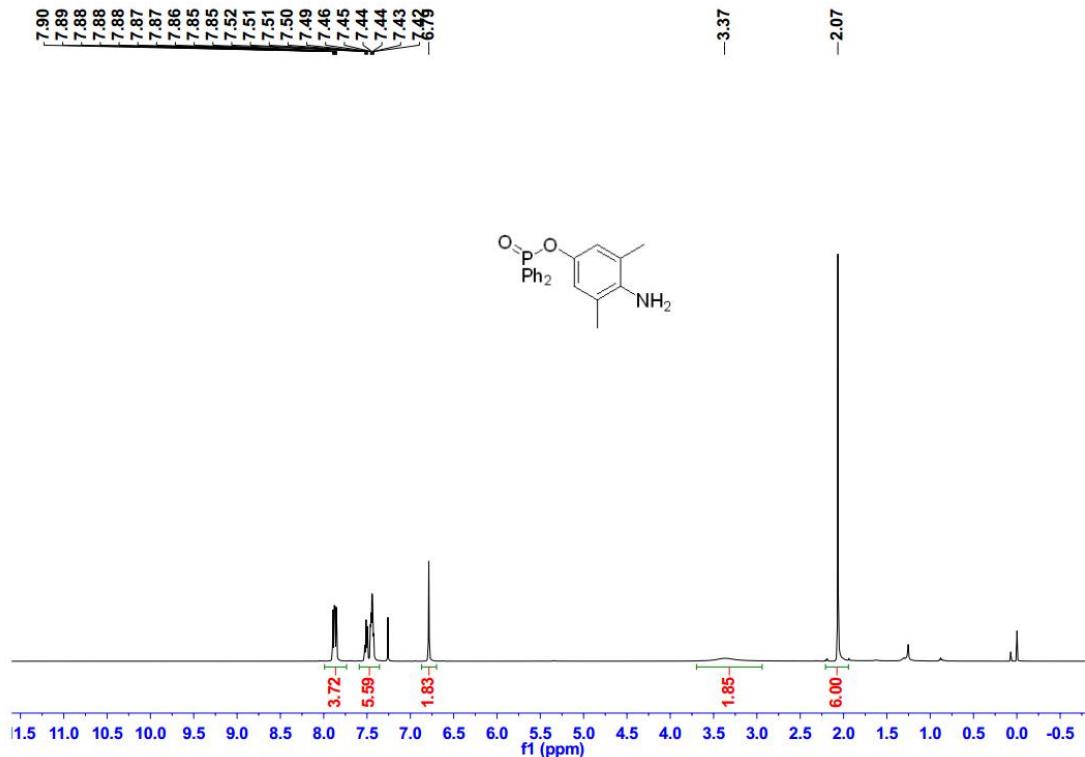


### <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **5d**

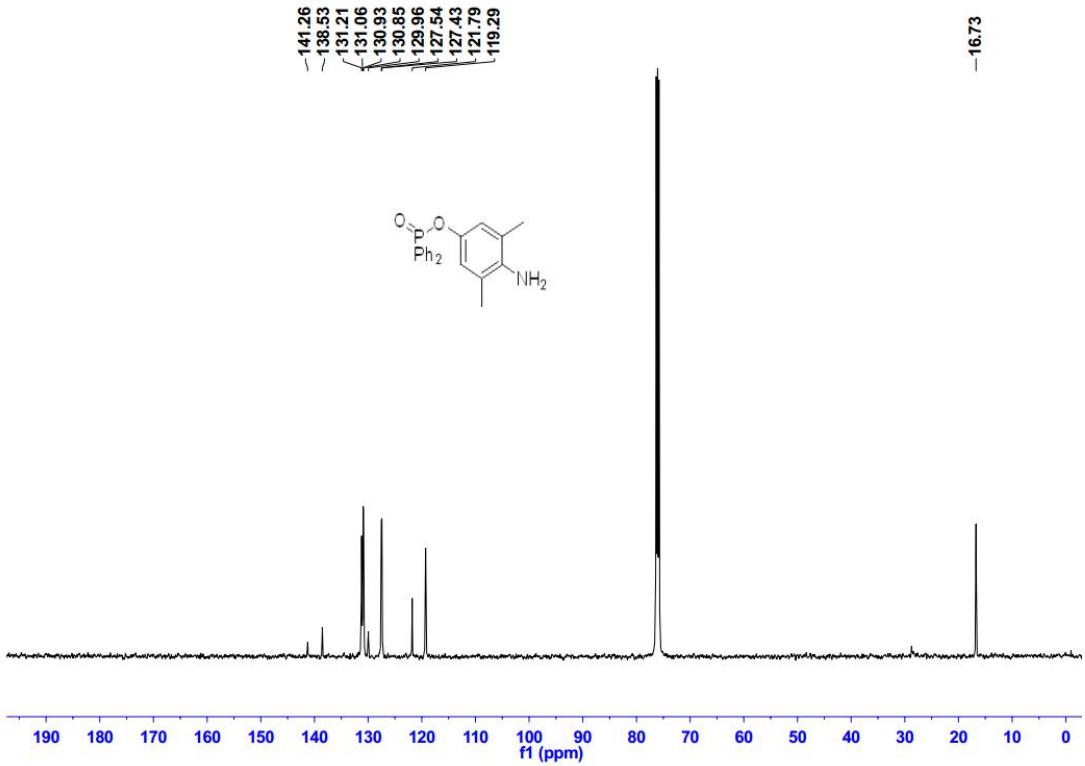


### <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5d**

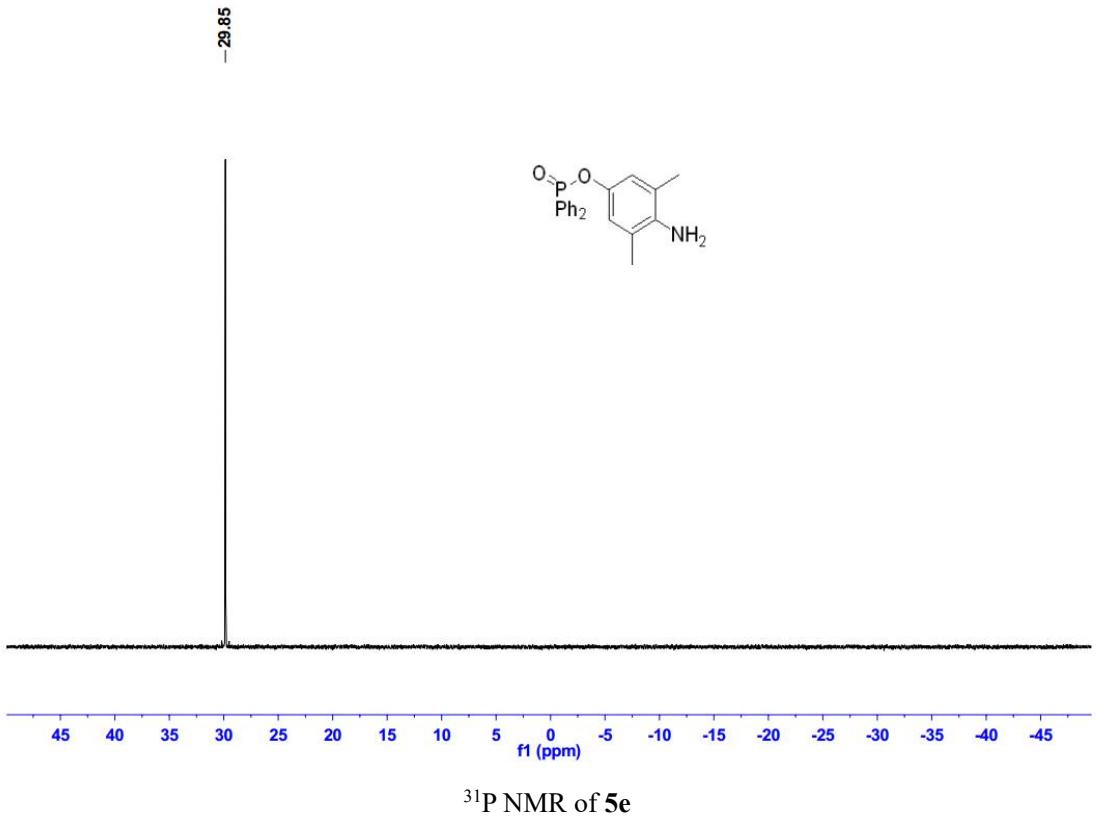


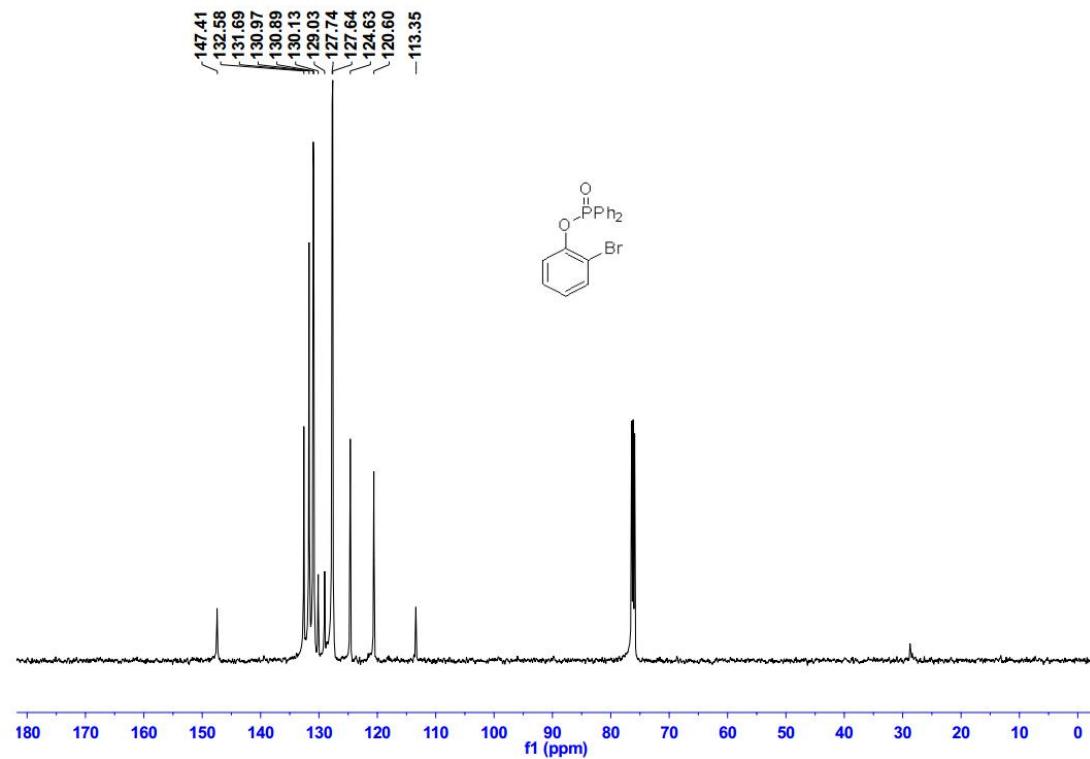
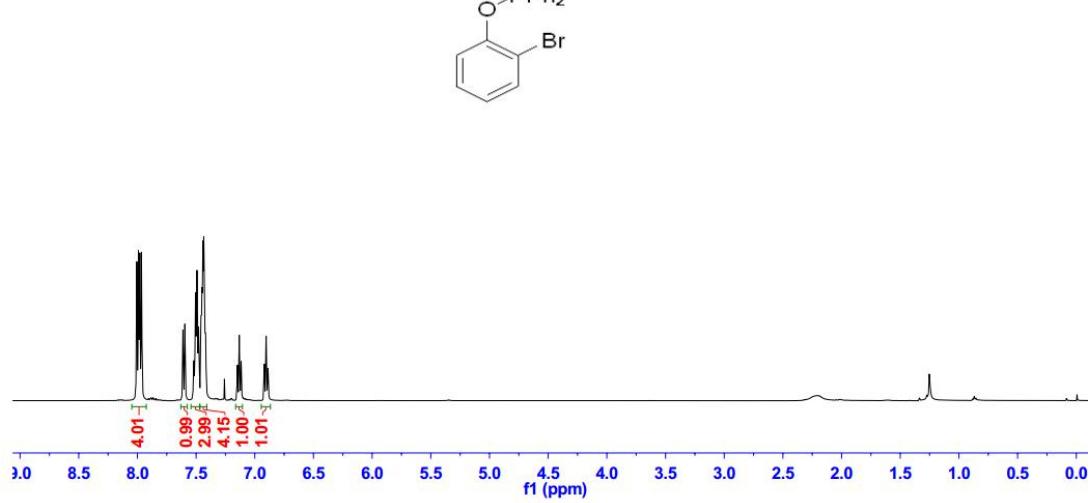
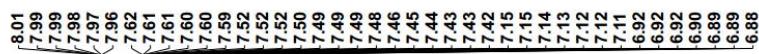


<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **5e**

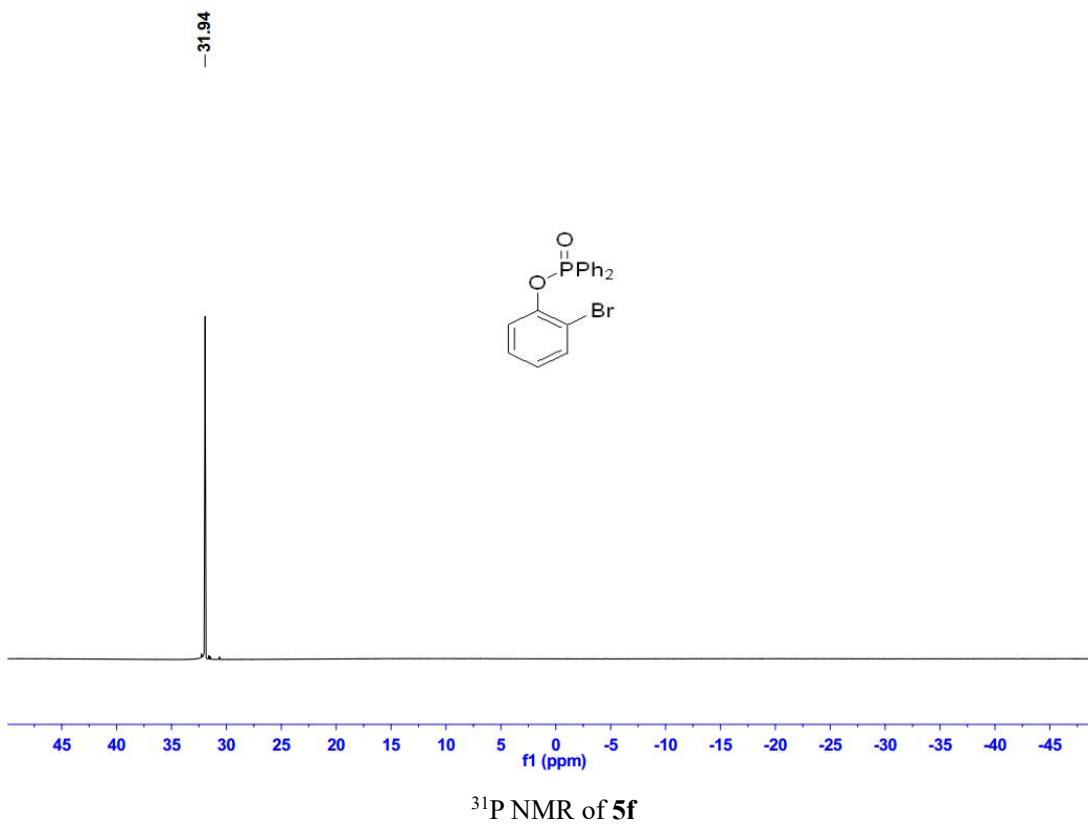


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5e**



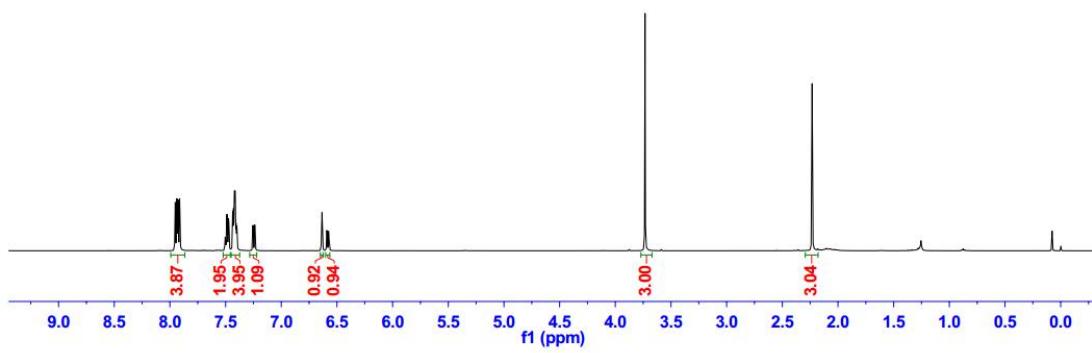
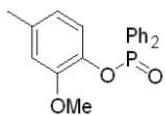


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5f**



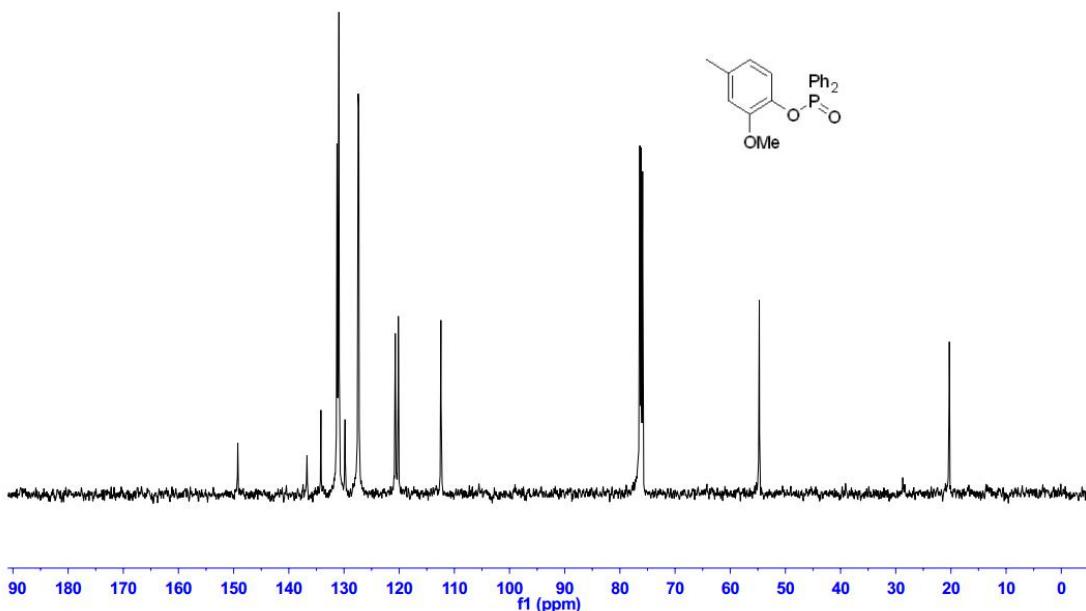
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **5f**

7.95  
7.95  
7.94  
7.93  
7.93  
7.93  
7.92  
7.92  
7.91  
7.91  
7.50  
7.50  
7.49  
7.49  
7.49  
7.49  
7.48  
7.48  
7.47  
7.47  
7.47  
7.44  
7.44  
7.43  
7.42  
7.42  
7.42  
7.41  
7.41  
7.40  
7.40  
7.24  
7.24  
6.64  
6.64  
6.63  
6.59  
6.59  
6.58  
6.58  
6.57  
3.73  
-2.23

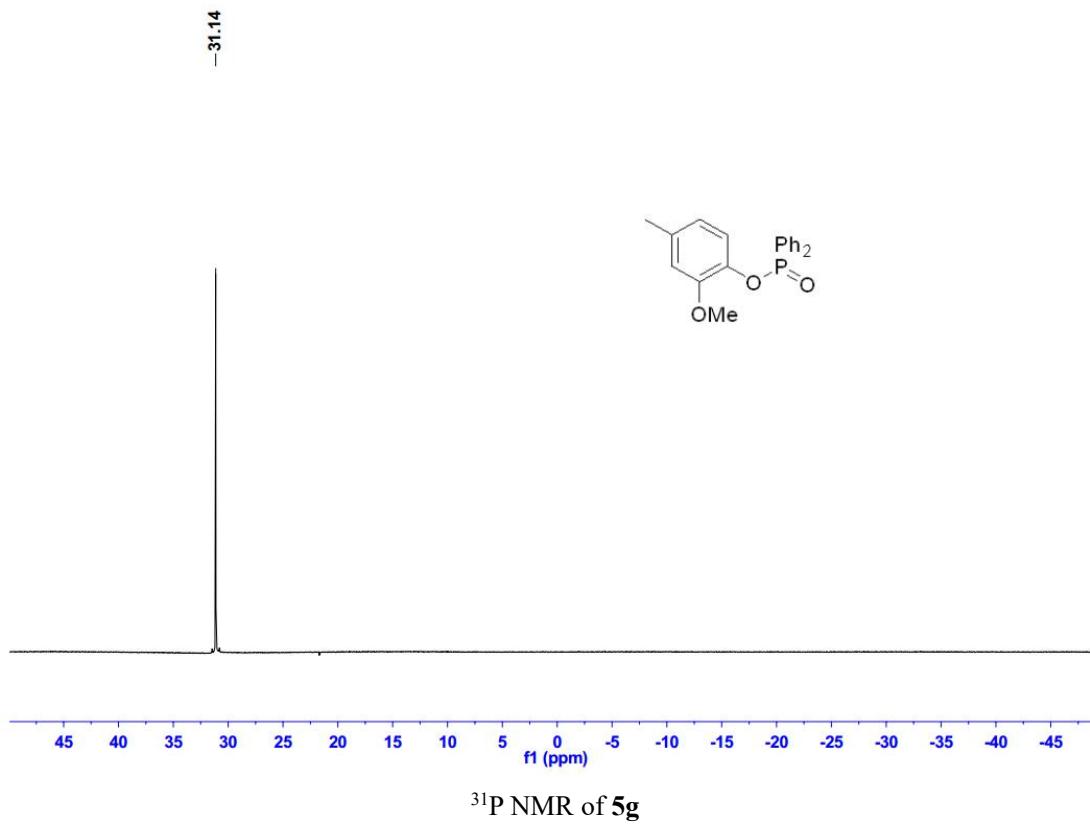


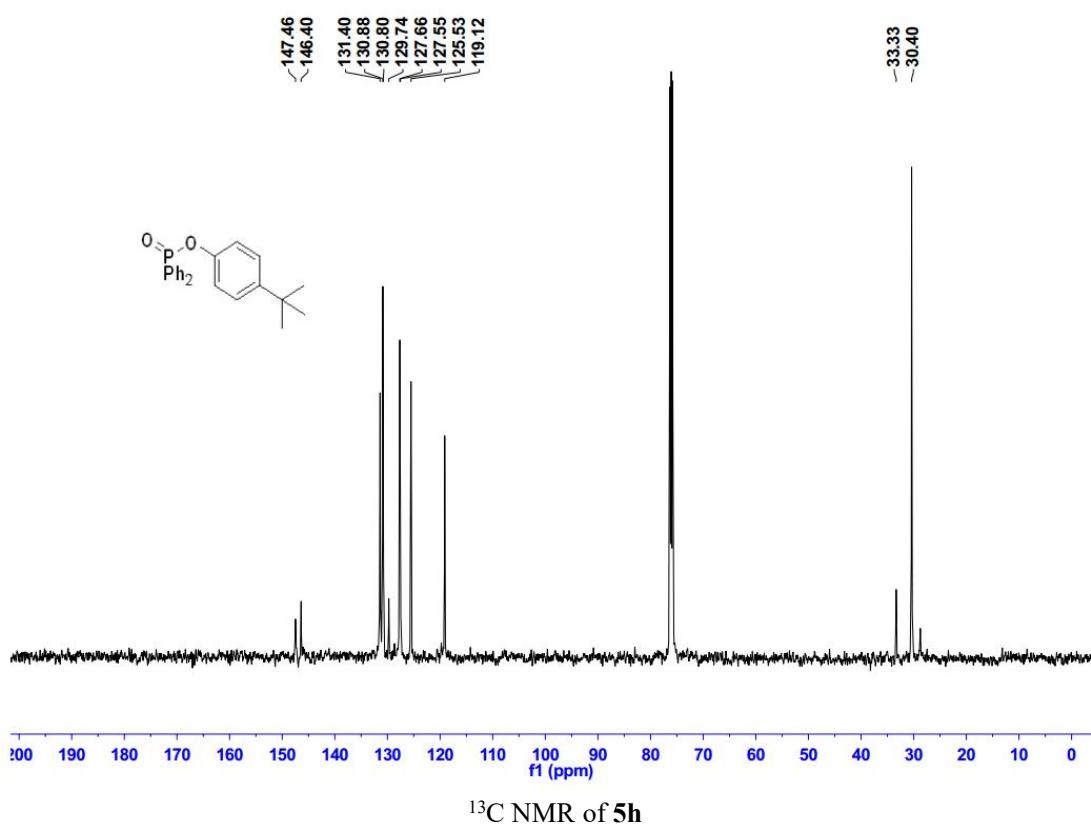
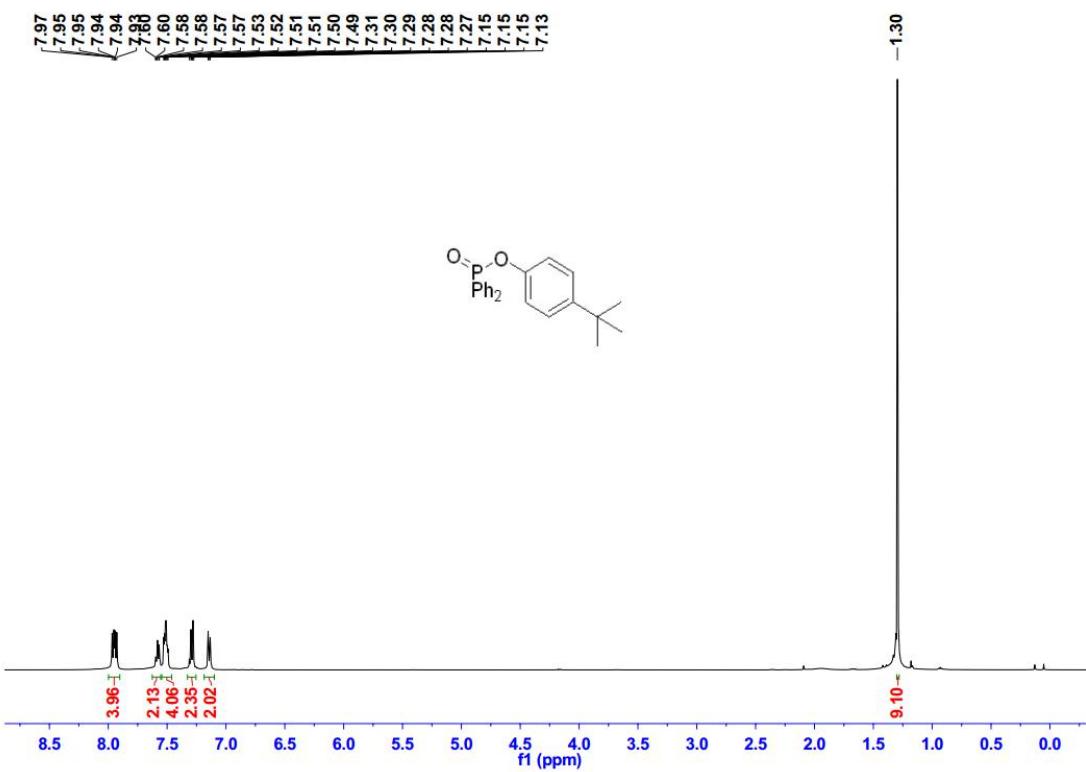
<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **5g**

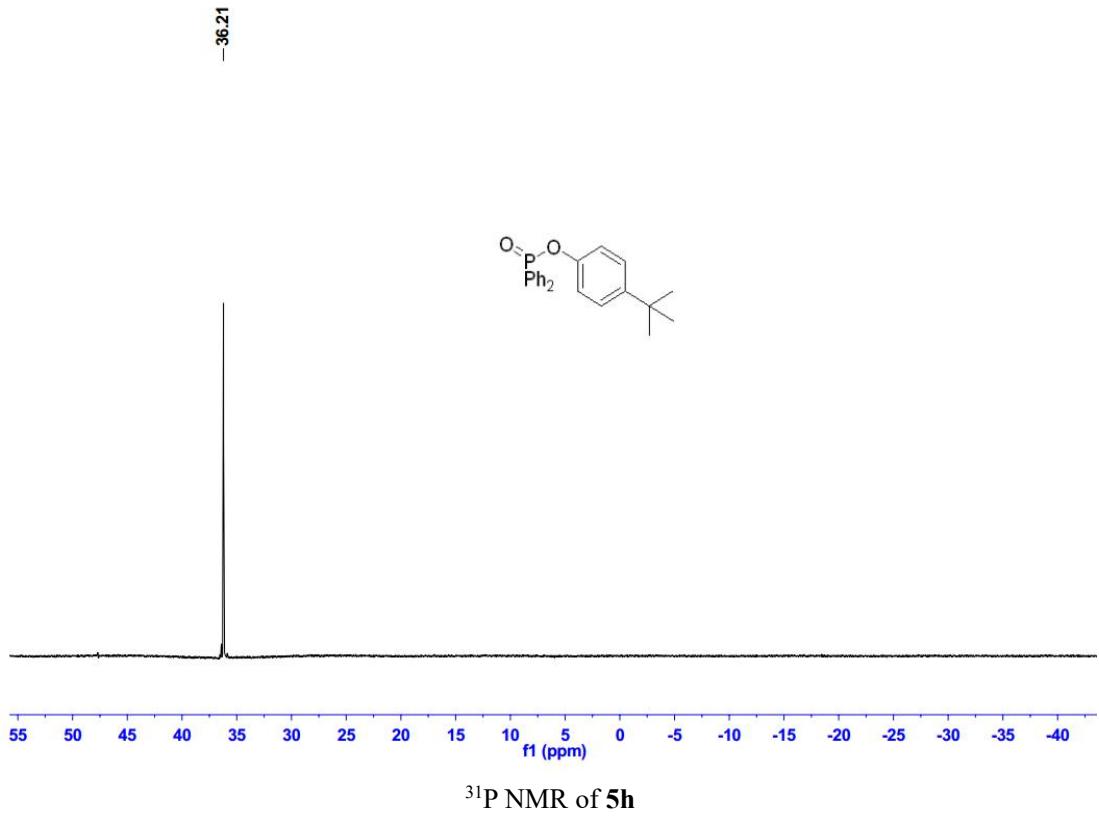
149.25  
136.72  
134.19  
131.26  
131.01  
130.92  
129.81  
127.43  
127.32  
120.71  
120.15  
-112.44  
-54.73  
-20.29

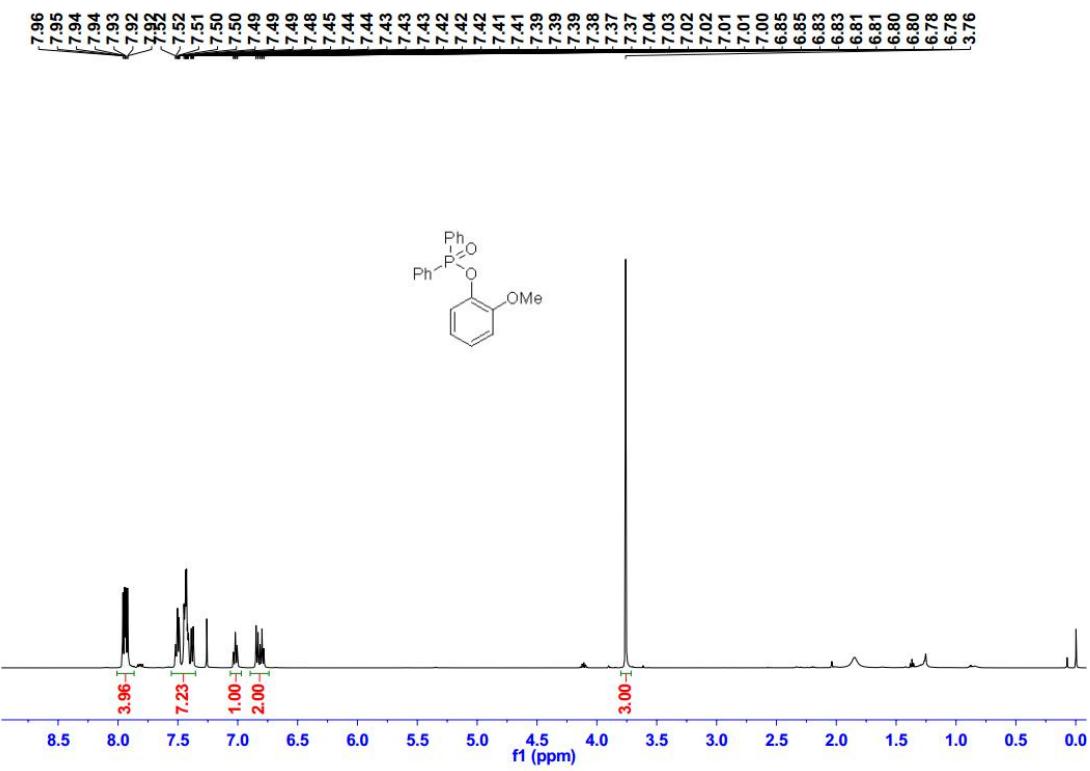


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5g**

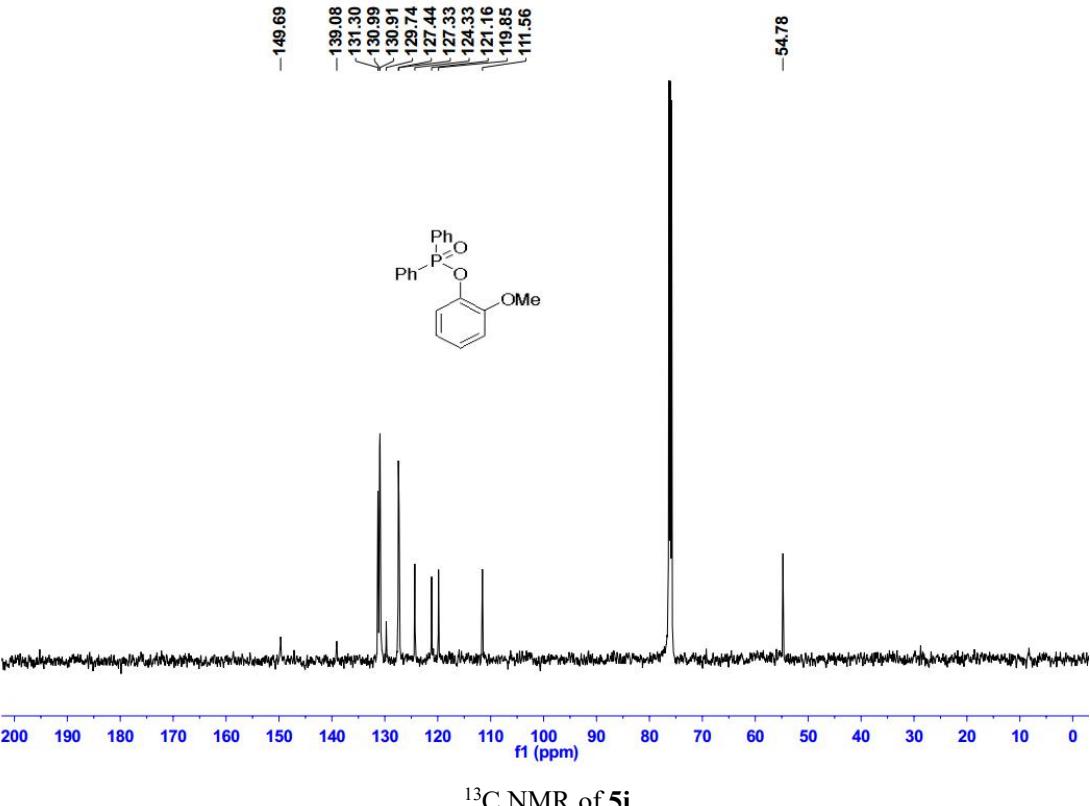






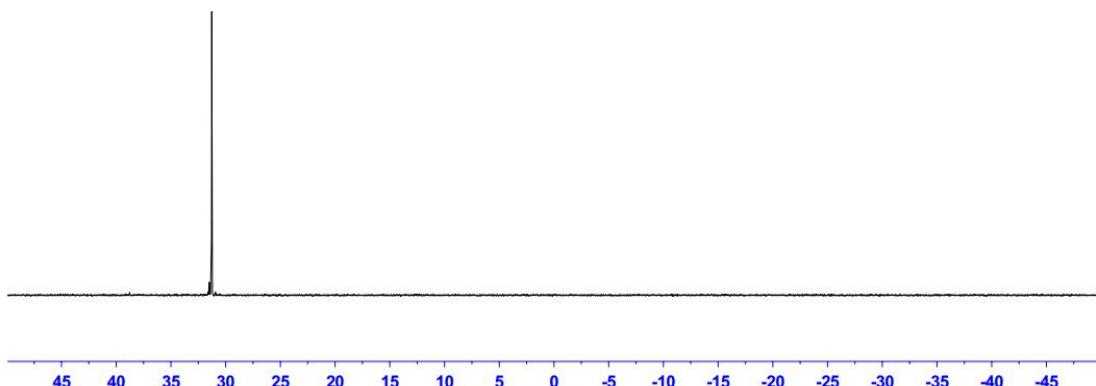
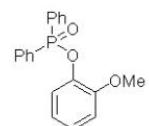


<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **5i**

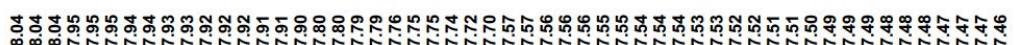


<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5i**

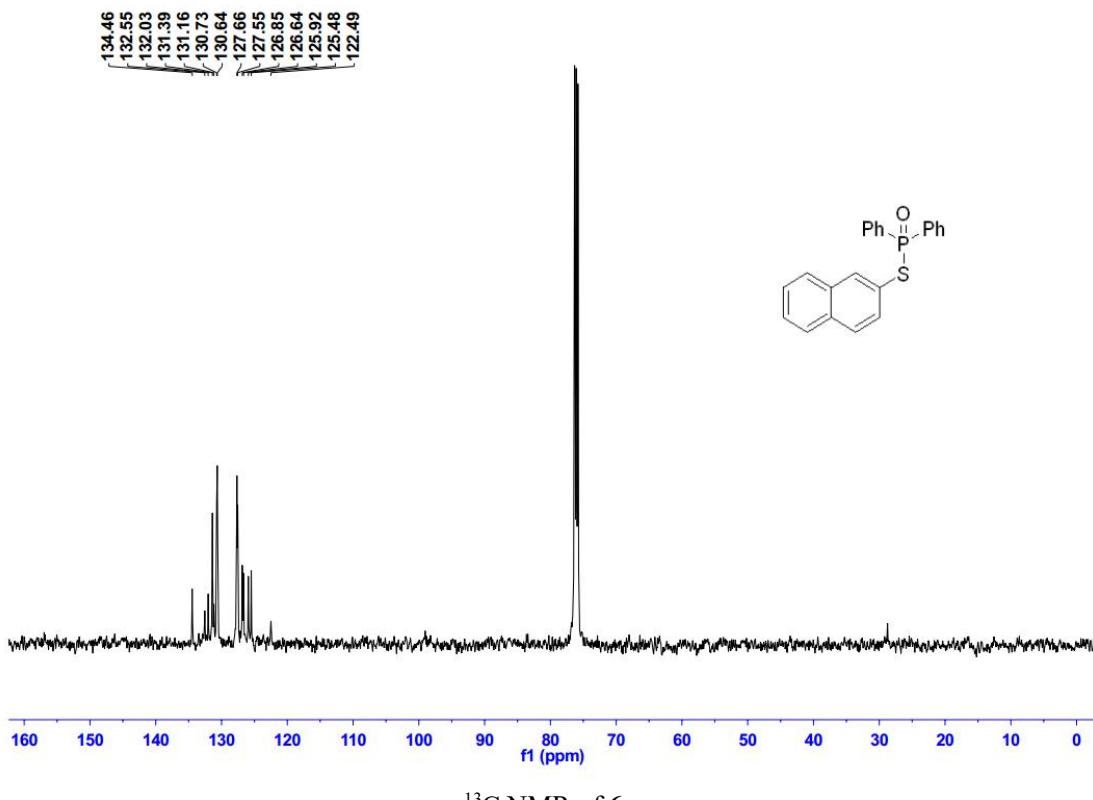
-31.27



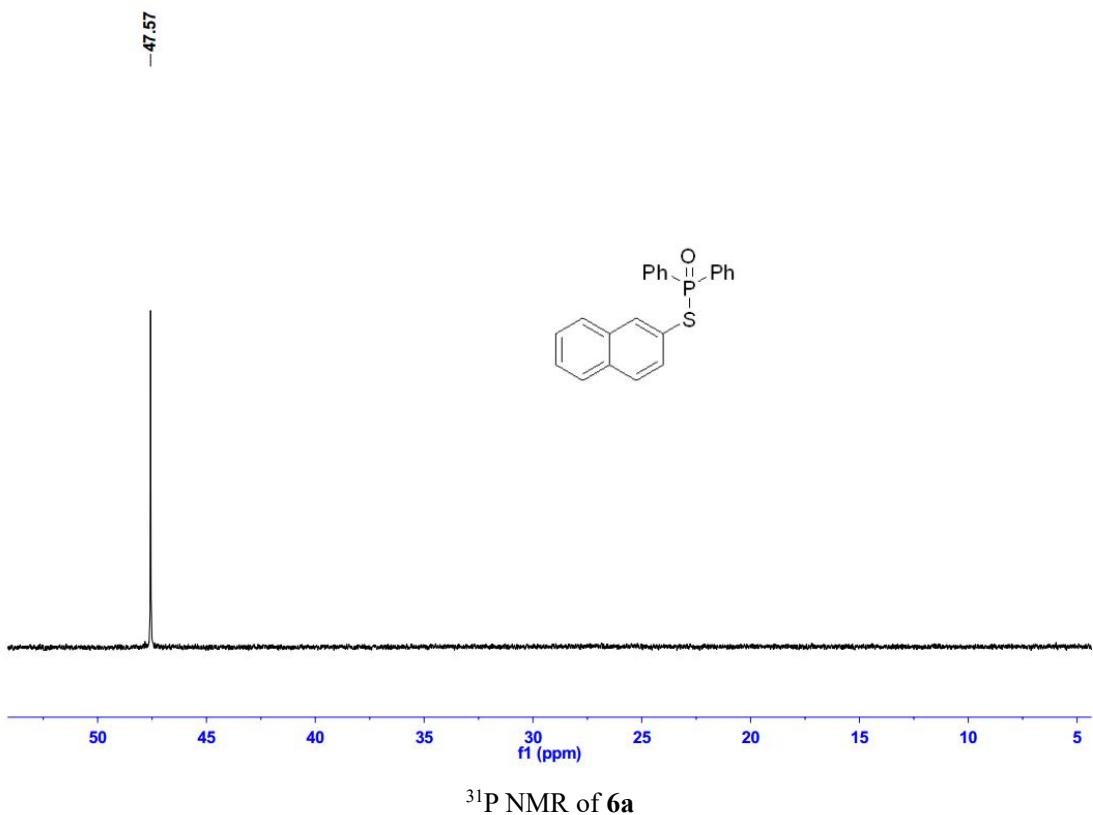
${}^3\text{P}$  NMR of **5i**

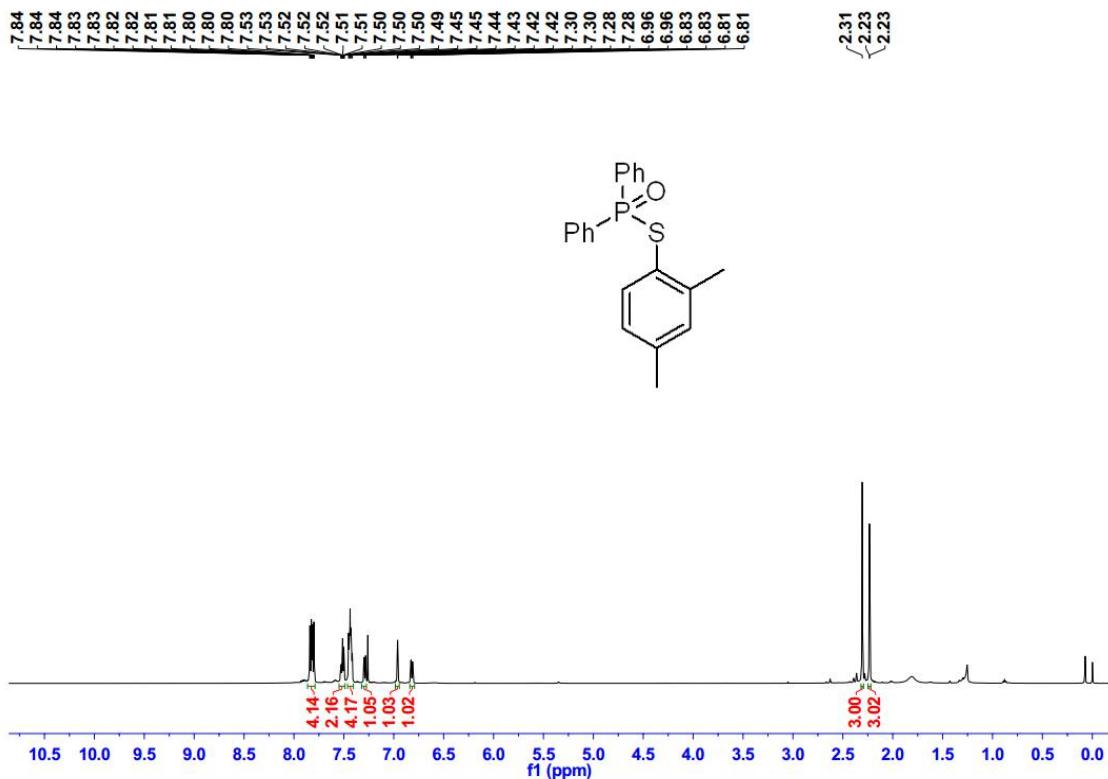


$^1\text{H}$  NMR of **6a**

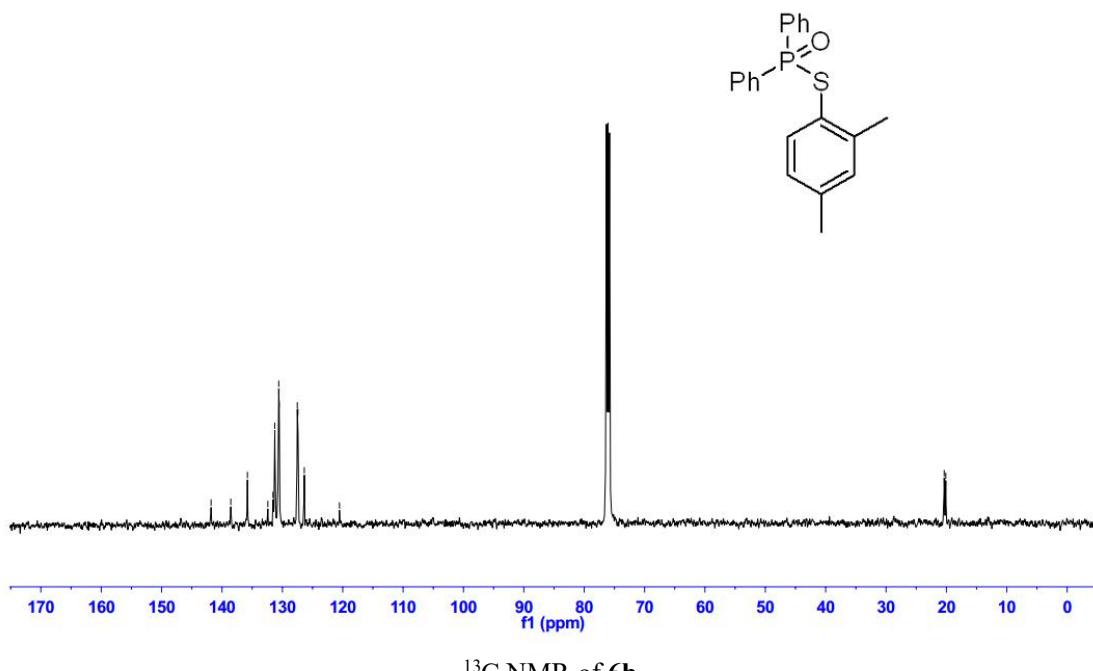


$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of **6a**



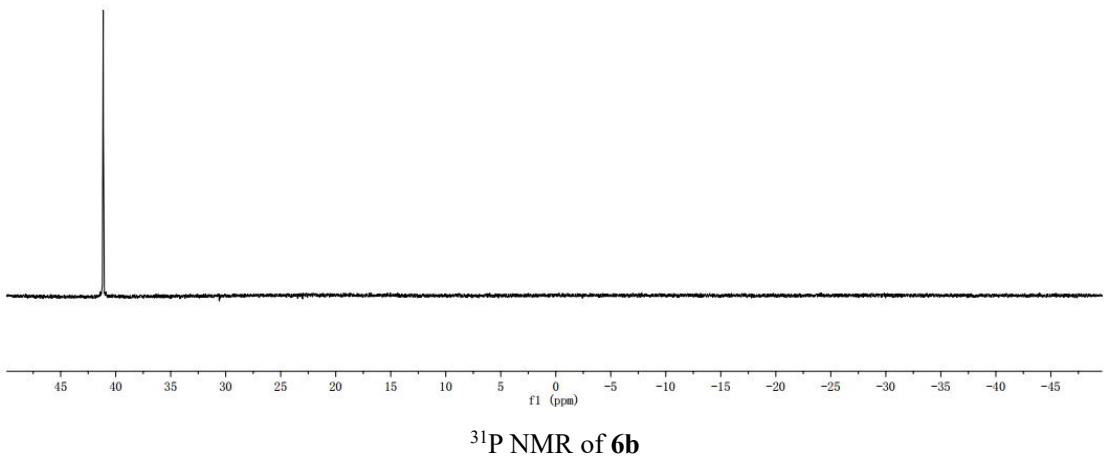
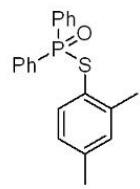


### <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **6b**

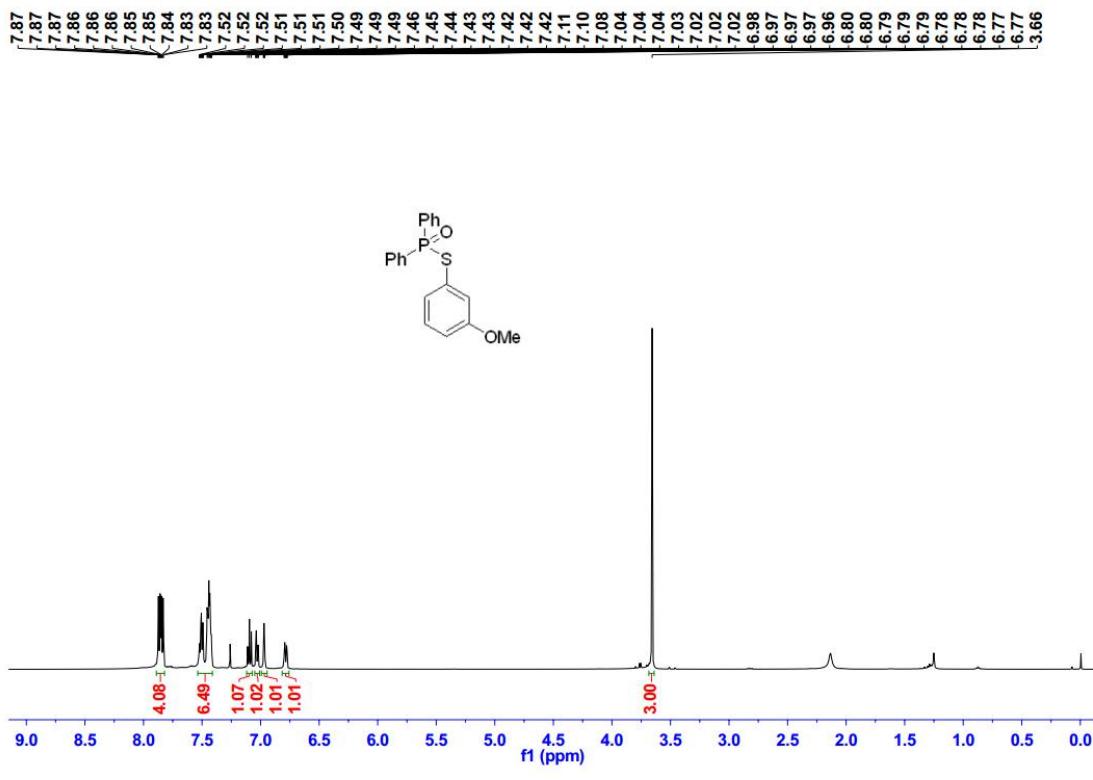


### <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6b**

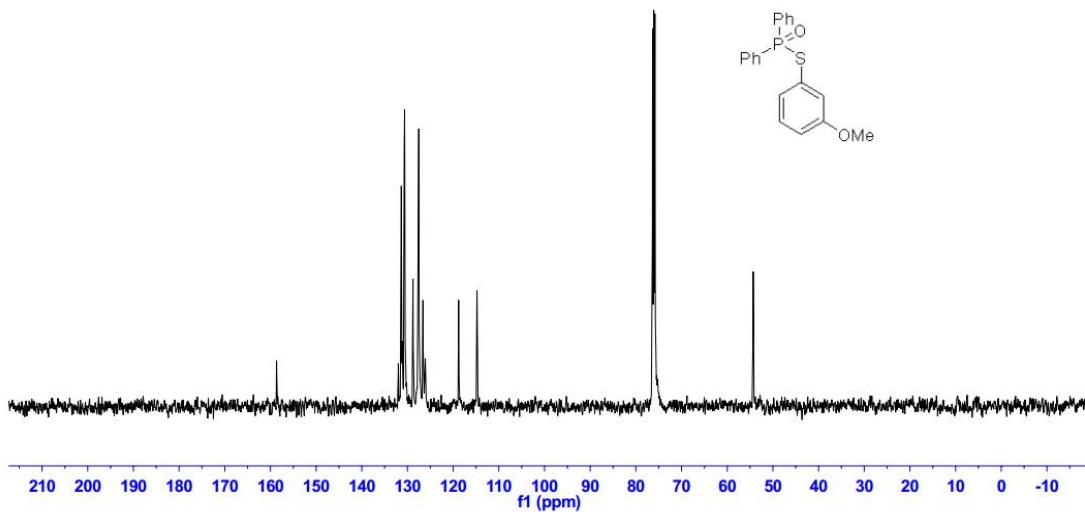
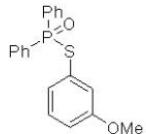
-41.13



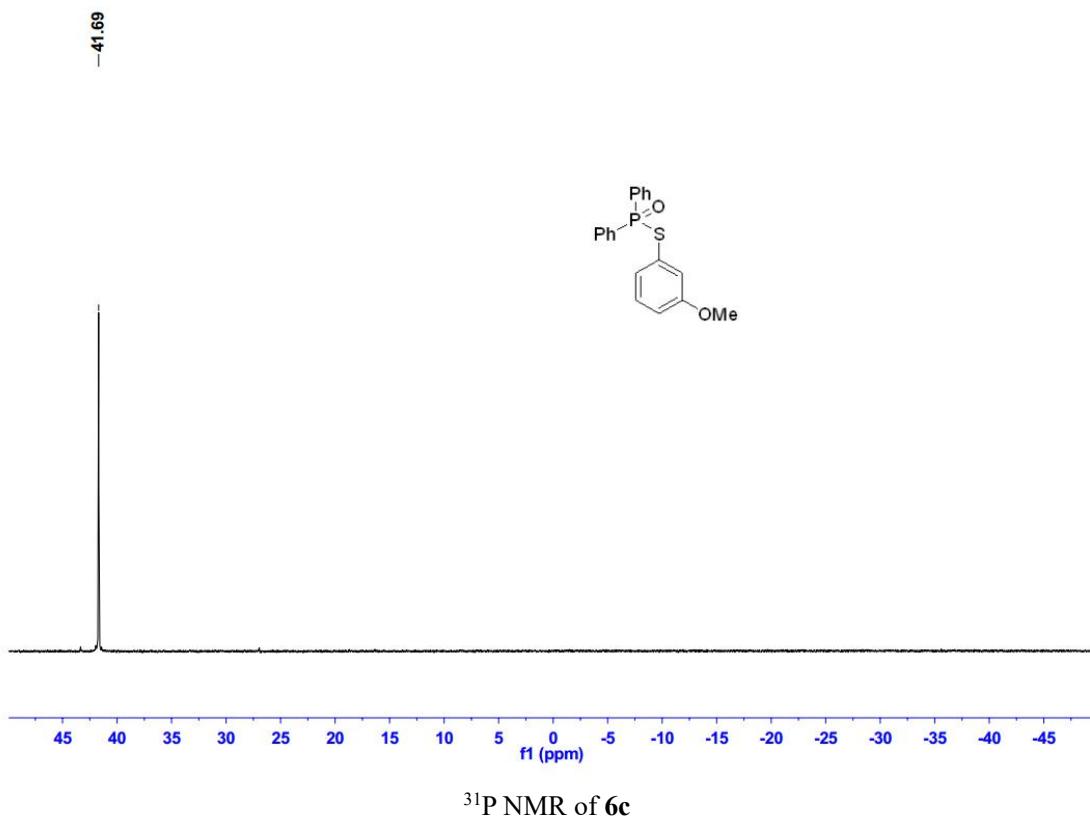
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **6b**

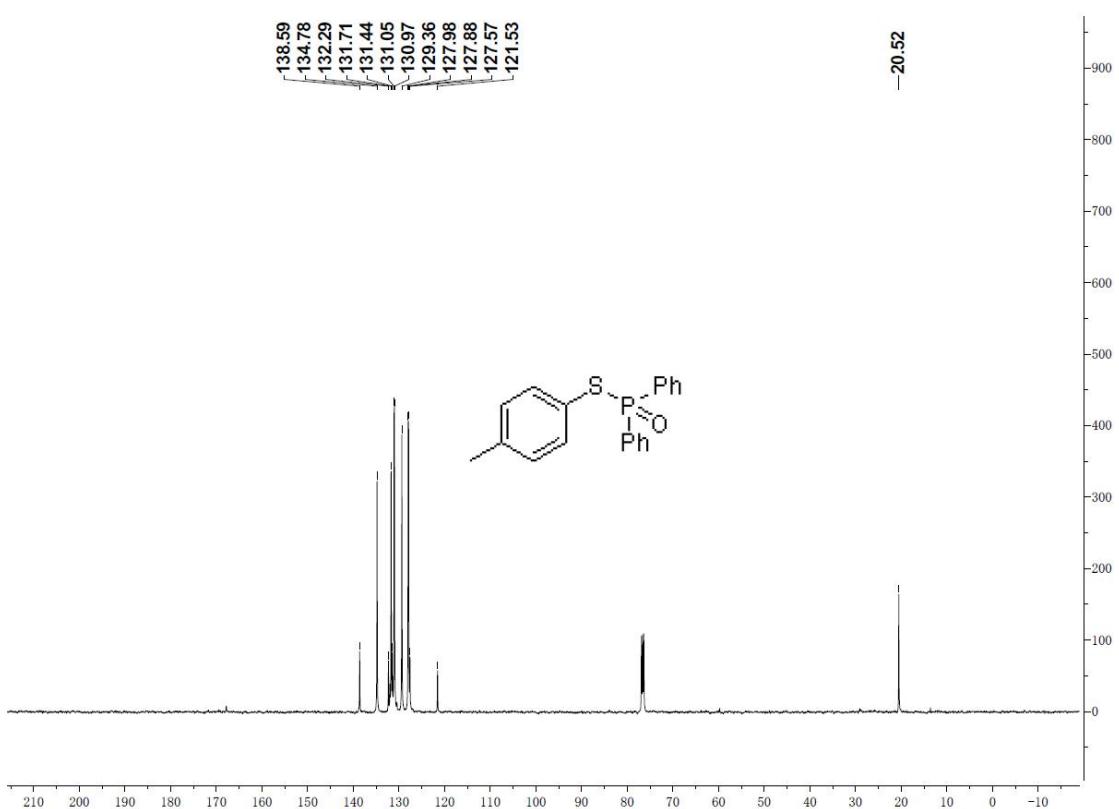
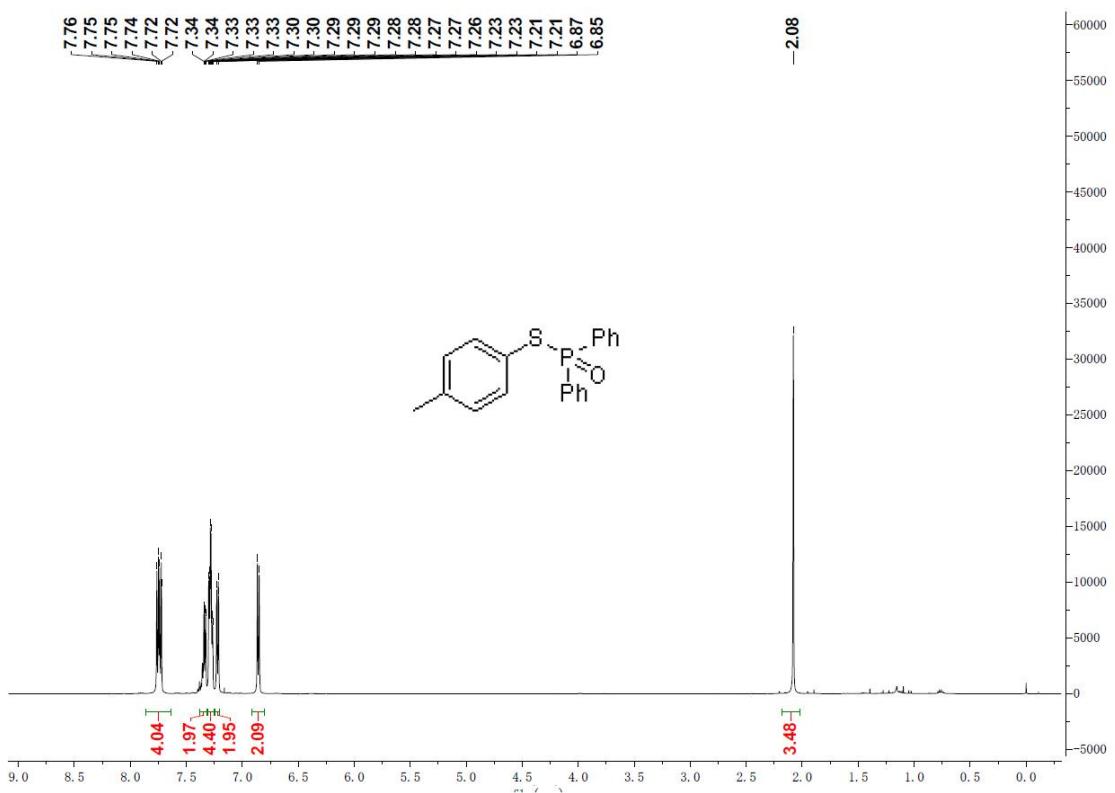


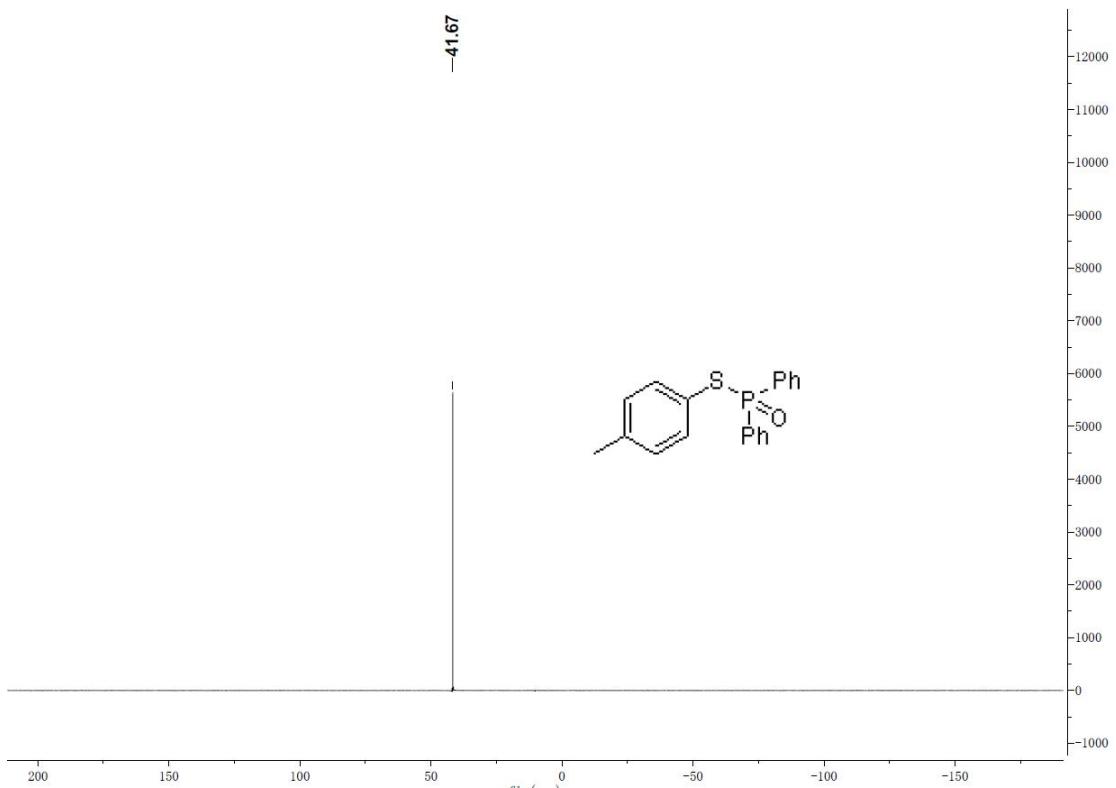
<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **6c**



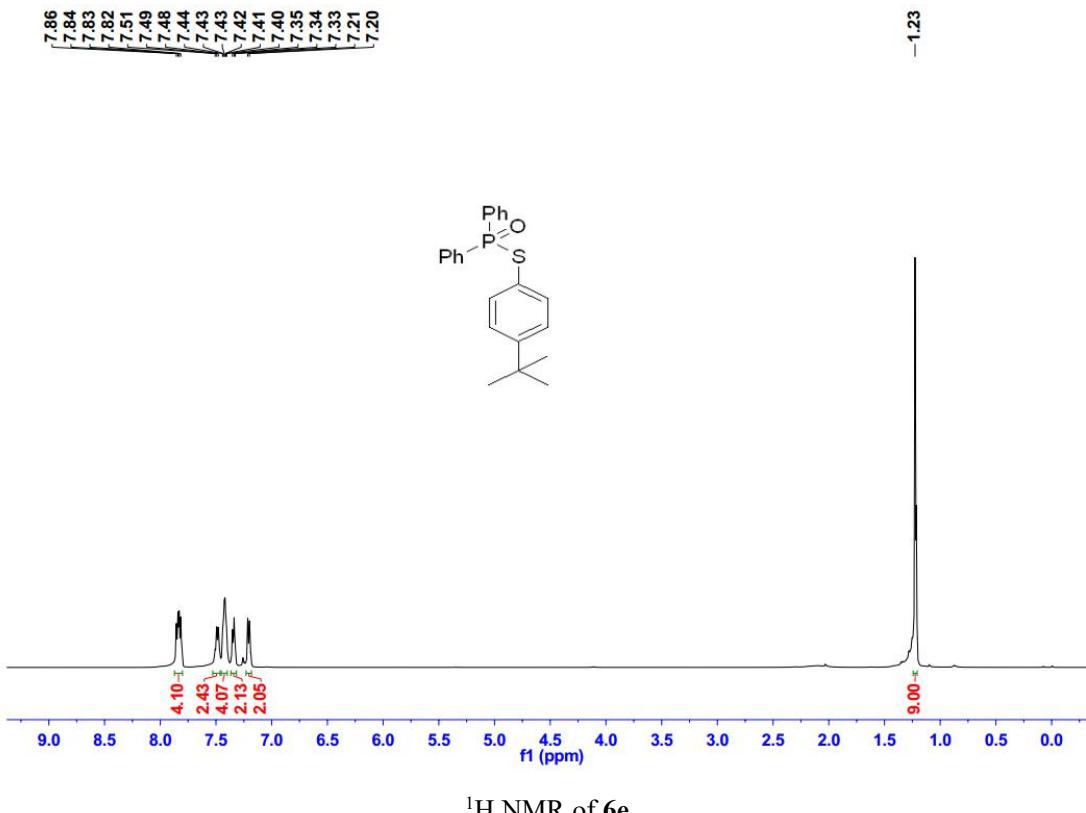
### <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 6c



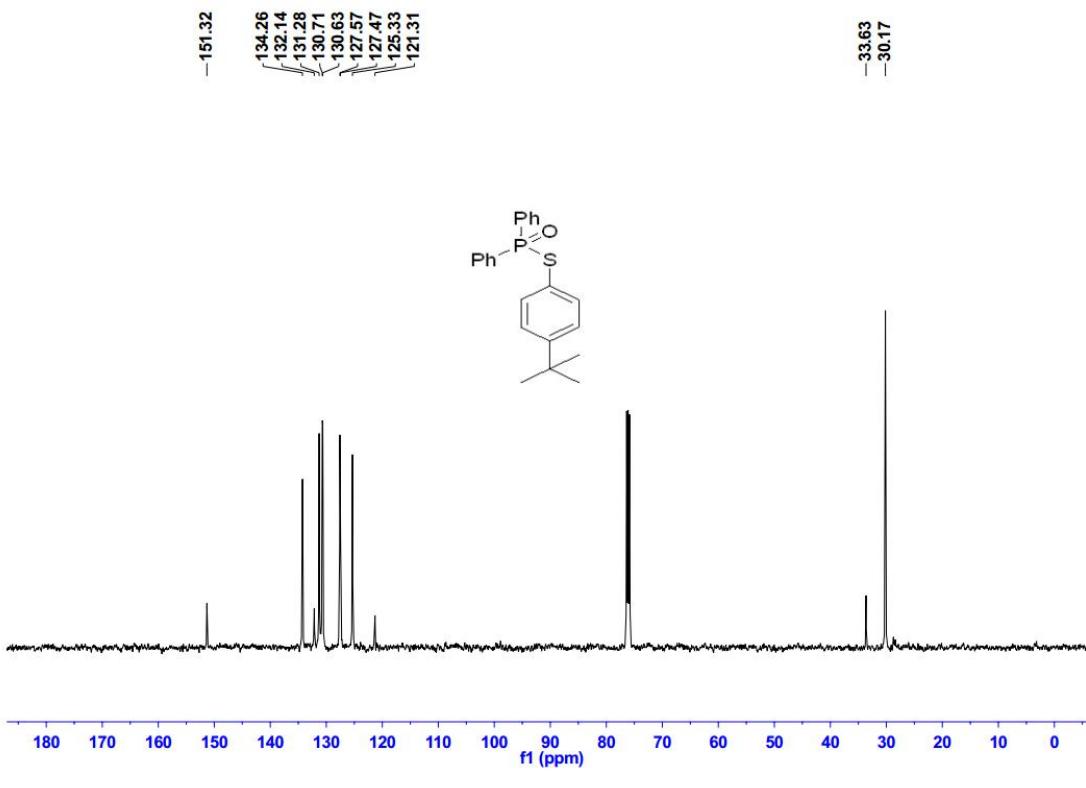




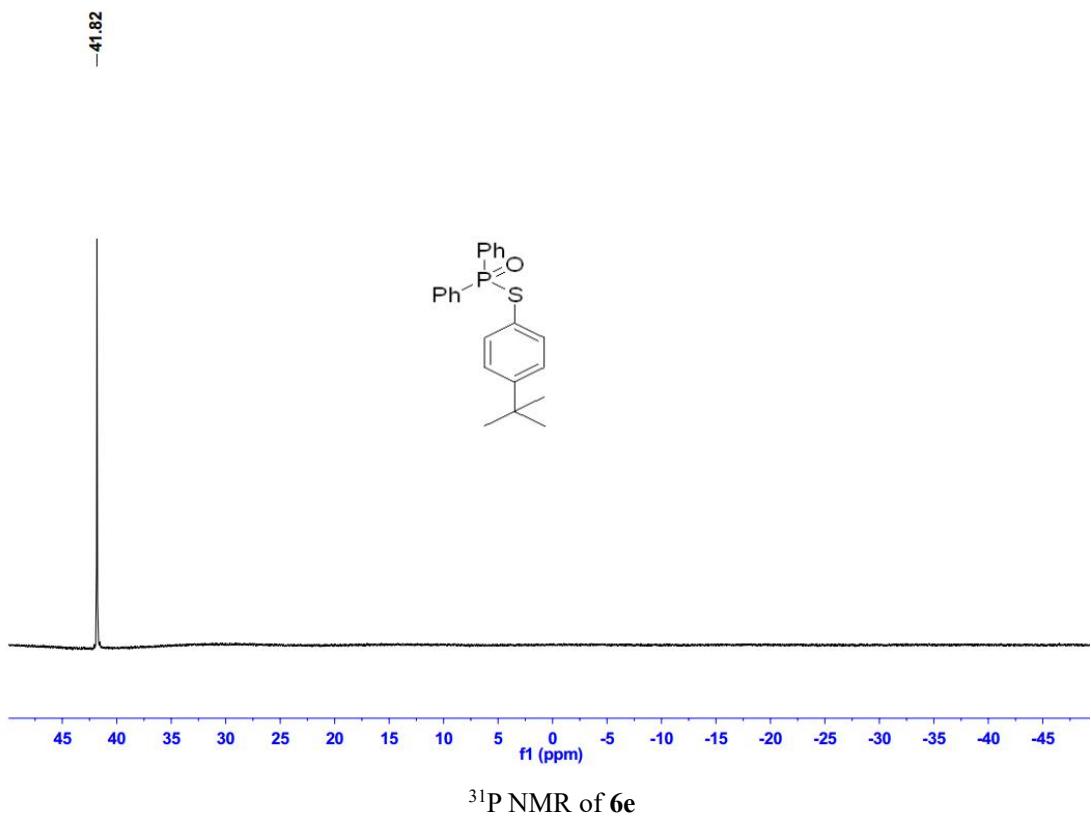
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **6d**

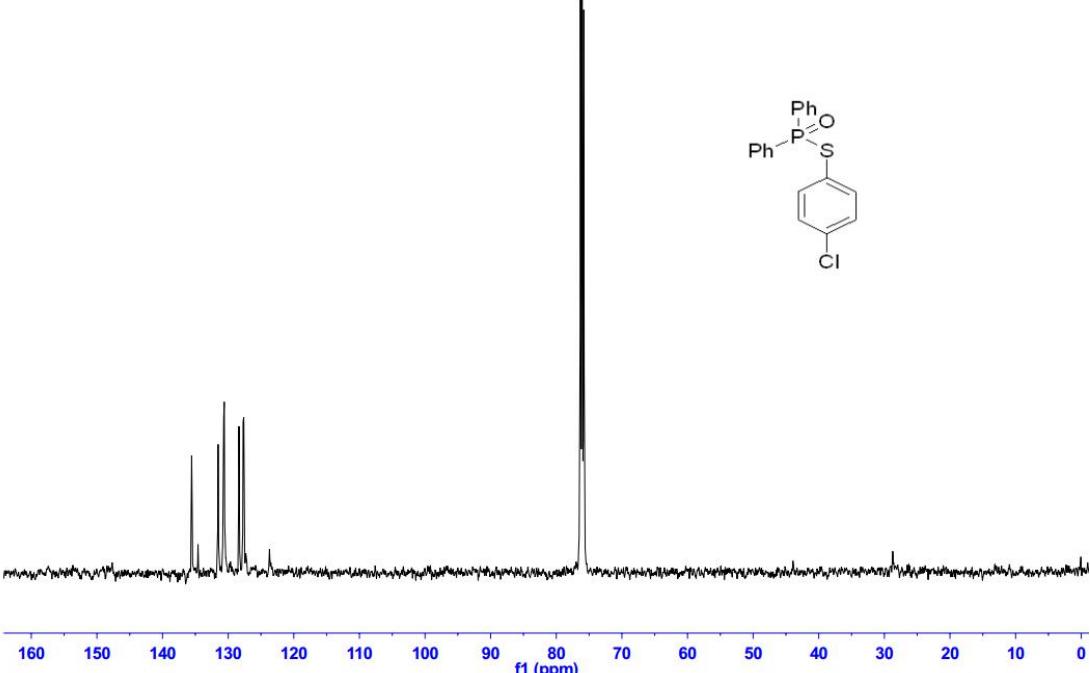
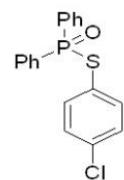
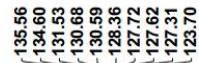
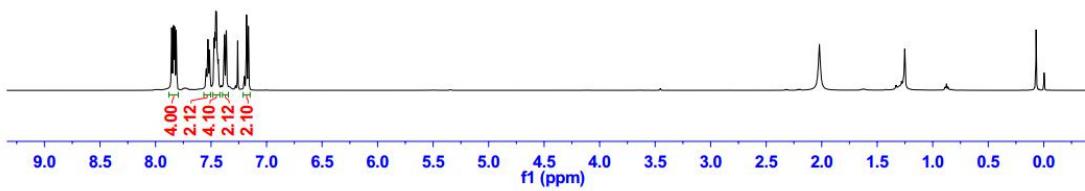
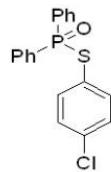
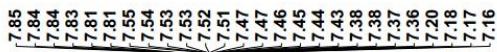


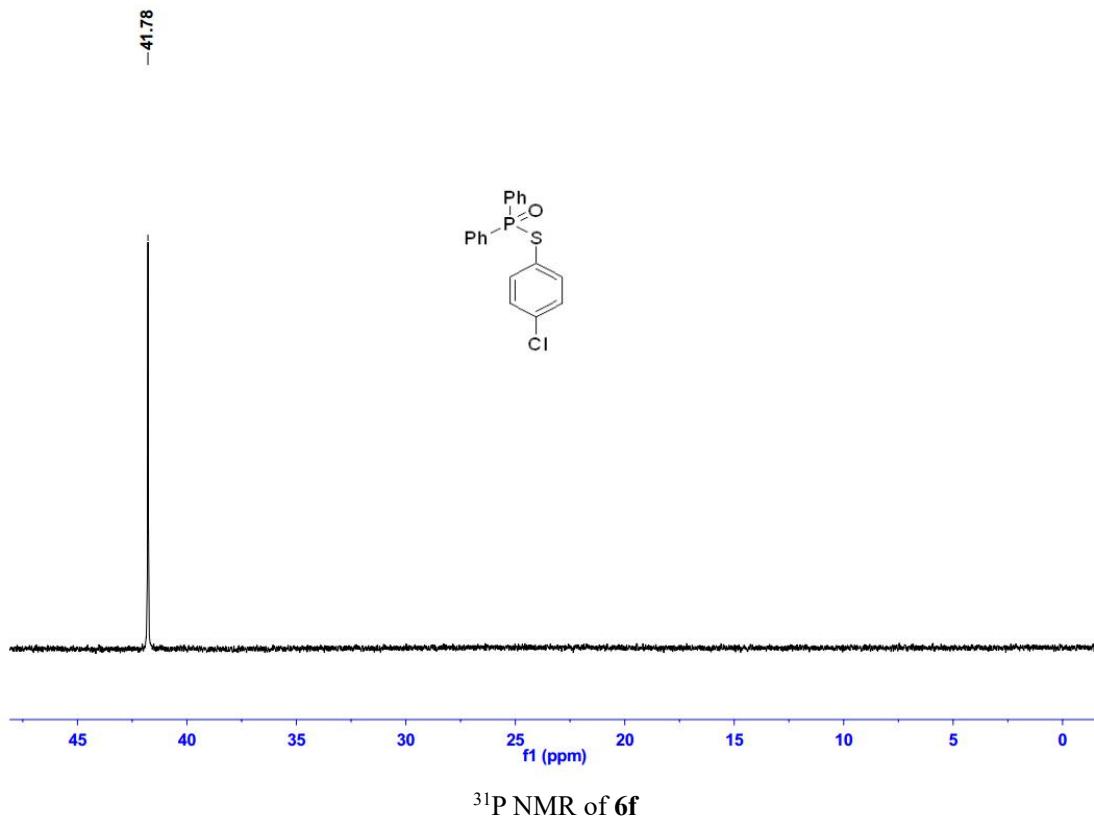
<sup>1</sup>H NMR of **6e**

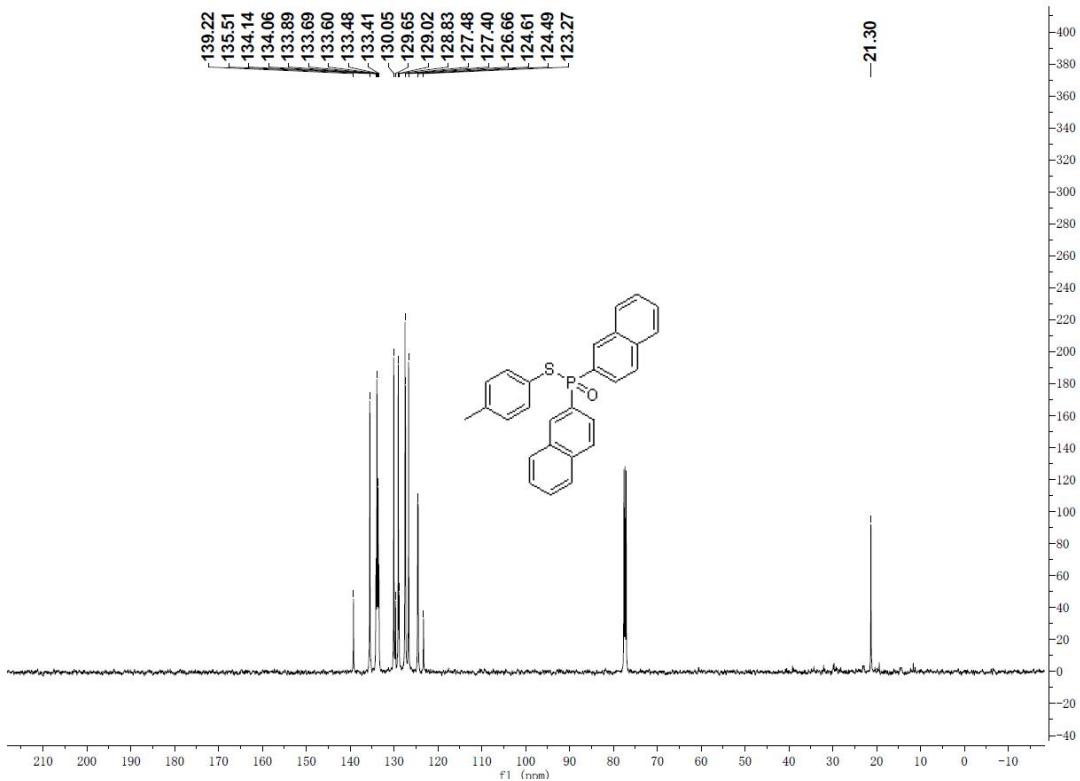
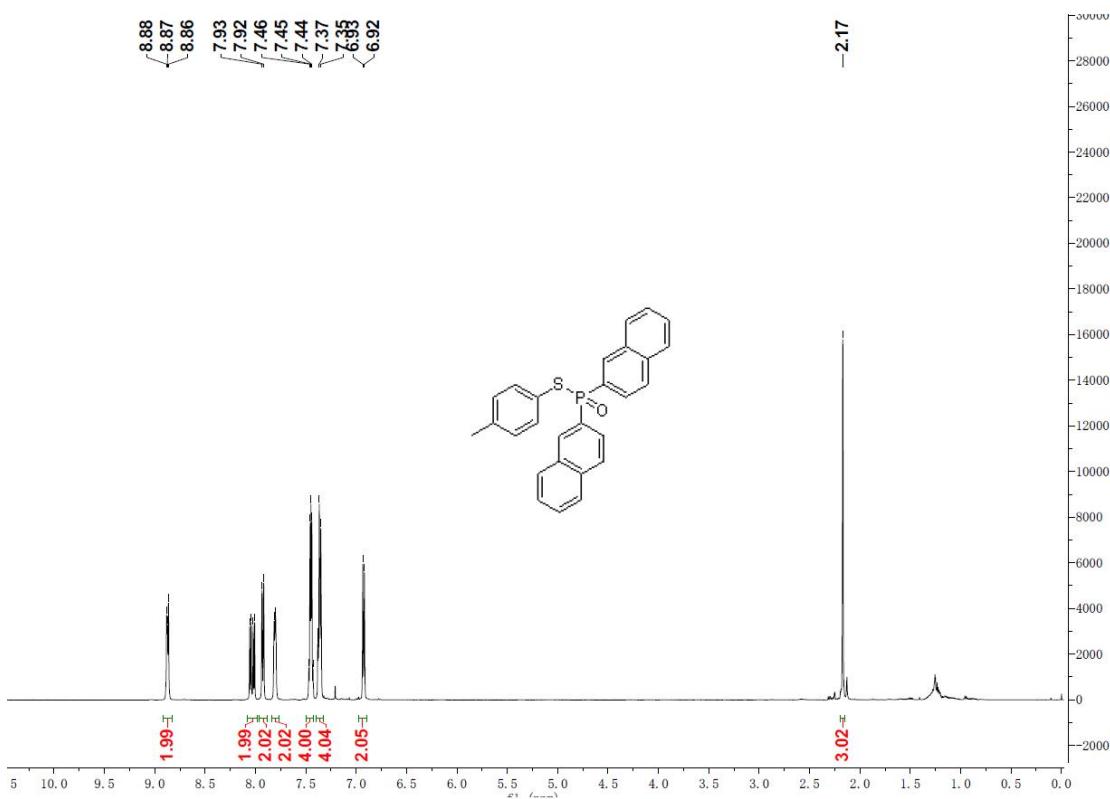


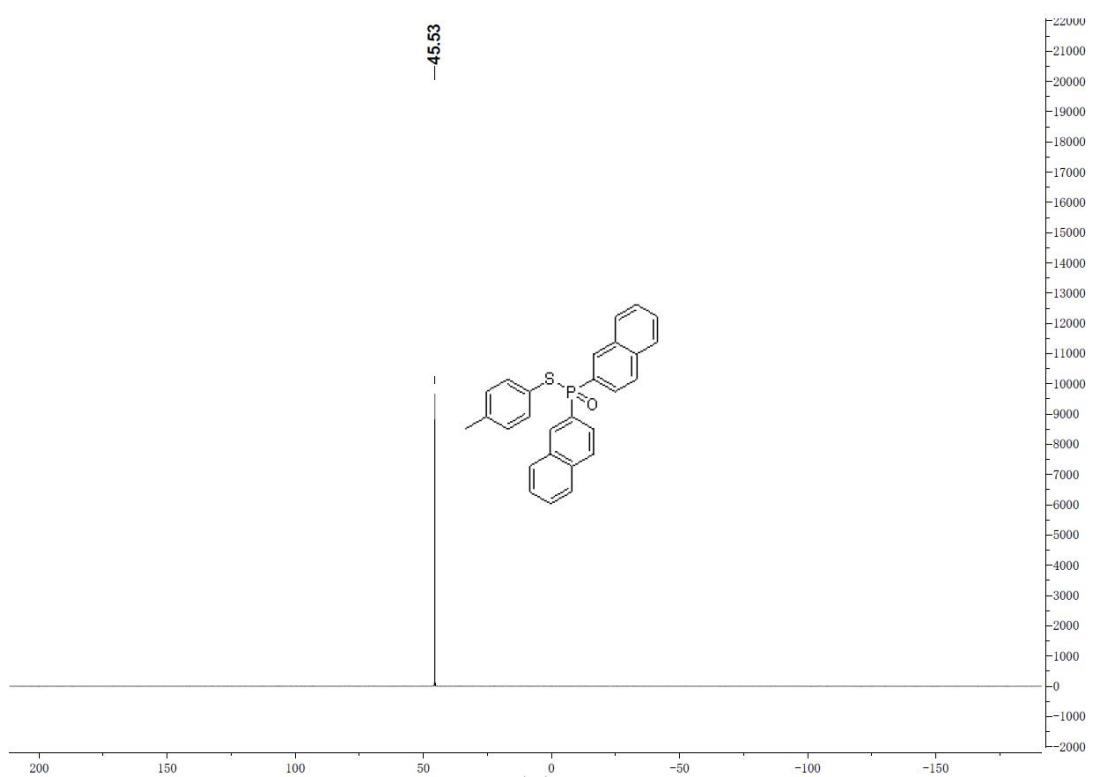
<sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6e**



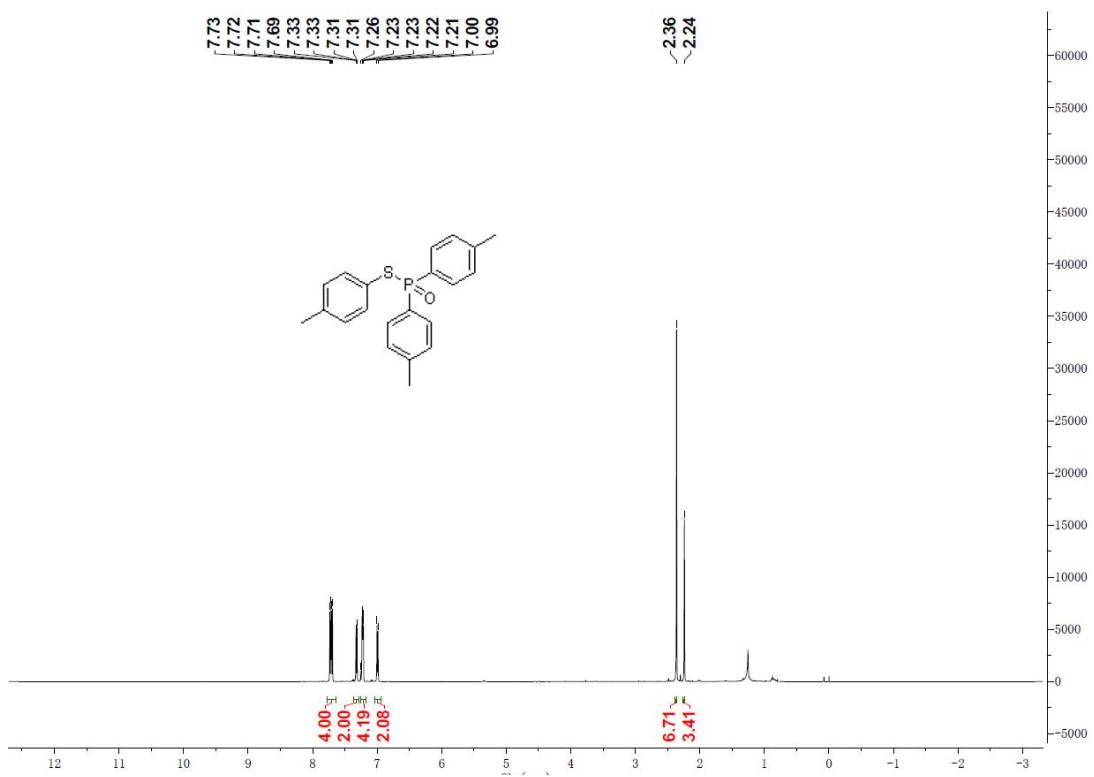




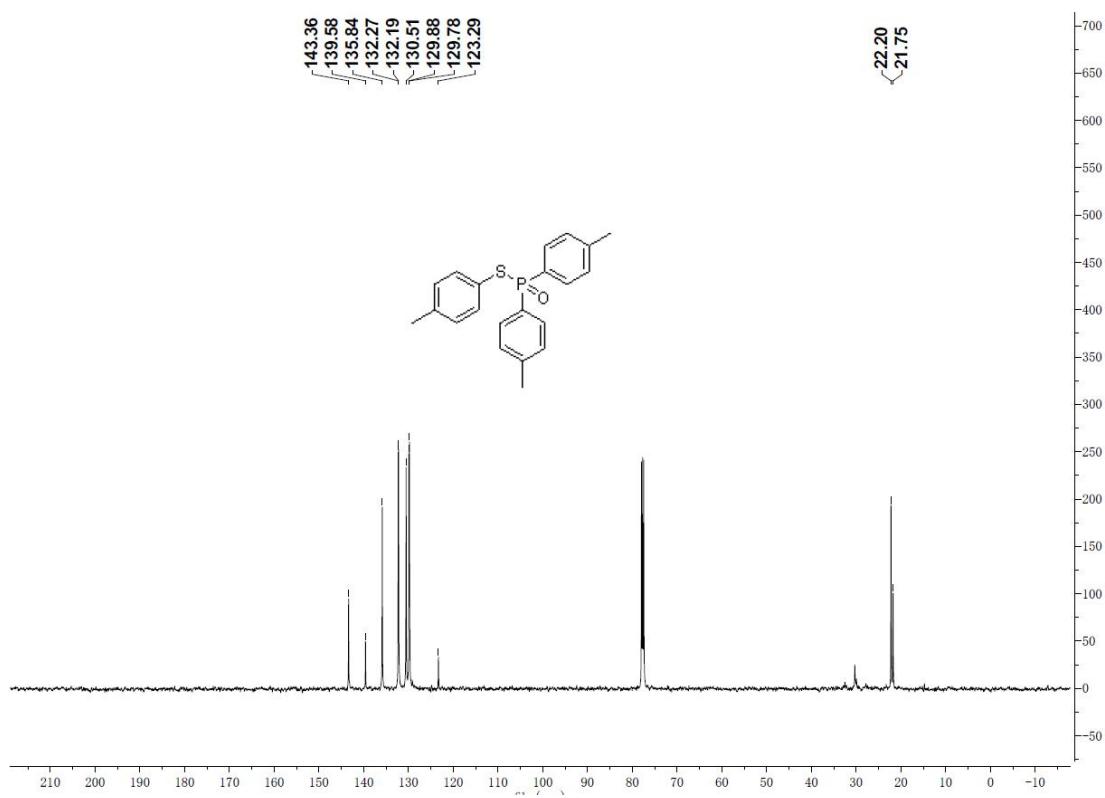




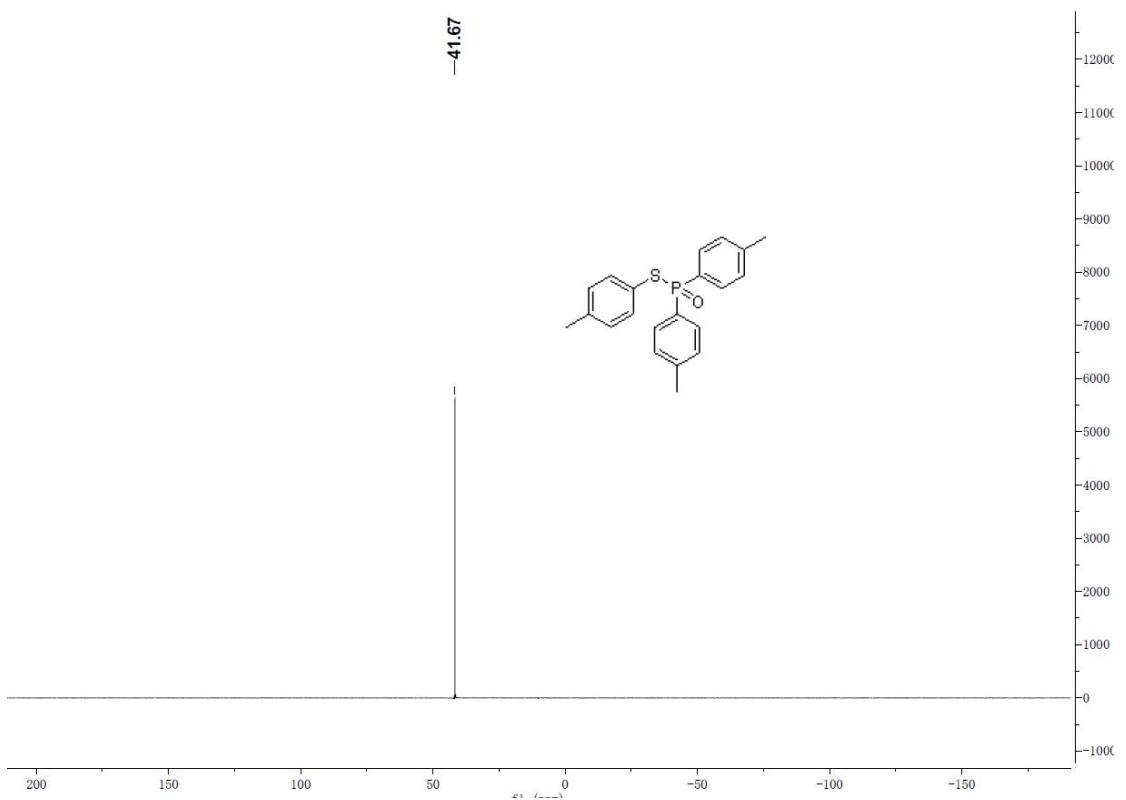
$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **6g**



$^1\text{H}$  NMR of **6h**



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of **6h**



$^{31}\text{P}$  NMR of **6h**