

*Supporting Information for*

## **Alkali metal mediated hydroboration and cyano silylation of carbonyl compounds**

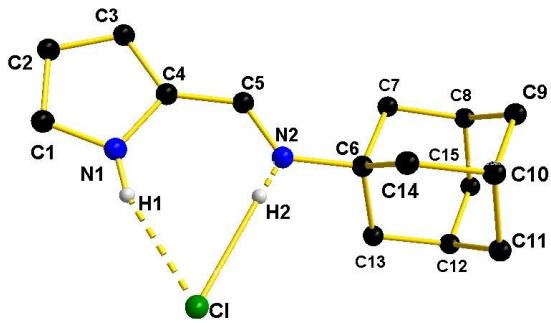
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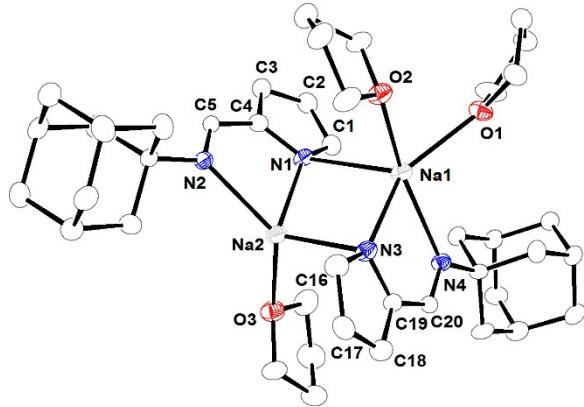
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**X-ray crystallographic analyses:** Single crystals of complexes **1-4** were grown from a concentrated solution of THF/n-pentane (3:1) in an argon-filled atmosphere at -35 °C. However, single crystals of **LH.HCl** was obtained from a solution of ethanol at -35 °C. A crystal of suitable dimensions of complexes **1-4** was mounted on a CryoLoop (Hampton Research Corp.) with a layer of light mineral oil and placed in a nitrogen stream at 150(2) K. The crystals of **LH.HCl** was measured at 298 K. All measurements were made on an Rigaku Supernova X-calibur Eos CCD detector with graphite monochromatic Cu-K $\alpha$  (1.54184 Å) radiation. The data for the compounds LH.HCl and sodium complex **2** are not satisfactory and R factors are high. Thus only figures of LH.HCl (Fig FS2) and complex **2** (Fig FS3) were used for comparison only. Crystal data and structure refinement parameters of complexes **1**, **3** and **4** are summarized in Table TS1. The structures were solved by direct methods (SIR2004)<sup>[1]</sup> and refined on  $F^2$  by full-matrix least-squares methods, using SHELXL-97.<sup>[2]</sup> Non-hydrogen atoms were anisotropically refined. H-atoms were included in the refinement on calculated positions riding on their carrier atoms. The function minimized was  $[\sum w(Fo^2 - Fc^2)^2]$  ( $w = 1 / [\sigma^2(Fo^2) + (aP)^2 + bP]$ ), where  $P = (\text{Max}(Fo^2, 0) + 2Fc^2) / 3$  with  $\sigma^2(Fo^2)$  from counting statistics. The function  $R1$  and  $wR2$  were  $(\sum |Fo| - |Fc|) / \sum |Fo|$  and  $[\sum w(Fo^2 - Fc^2)^2 / \sum (wFo^4)]^{1/2}$ , respectively. The ORTEP-3 program was used to draw the molecules of **LH.HCl**, **1**, **2**, and **4**. However, Diamond 3 program was used to draw the molecule of **3**. Crystallographic data (excluding structure factors) for the structures reported in this paper have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre as supplementary publication no. CCDC 1844011 (**1**), 1844012 (**3**), 1844010 (**4**). Copies of the data can be obtained free of charge on application to CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB21EZ, UK (fax: + (44)1223-336-033; email: [deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk](mailto:deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk)).



**Figure FS1.** Molecular solid-state structure of **LH.HCl**. The R factors of the complex **LH.HCl** are slightly high due to poor data set. Nevertheless the Fig FS1 confirms the formation of the ligand **LH**.



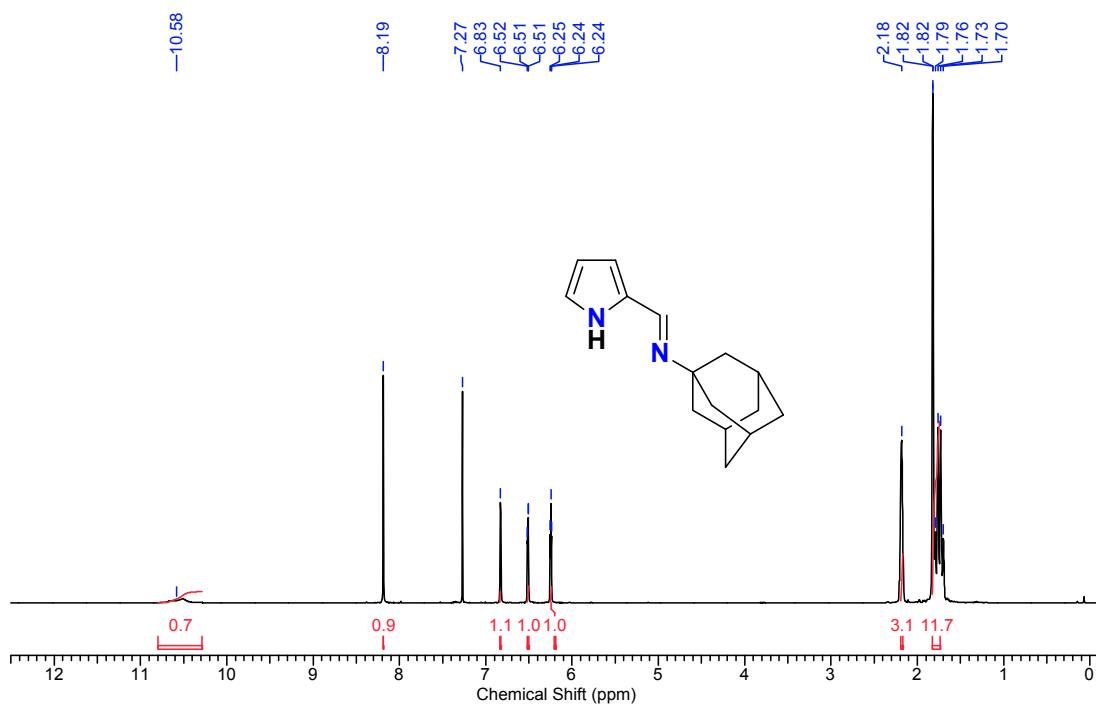
**Figure FS2.** Solid state structure of sodium complex **2**. The R factors of the complex **2** are slightly high due to poor data set. Nevertheless the Fig FS2 confirms the four fold and five fold coordination around the sodium ions.

**Table TS1.** Crystallographic data and refinement parameters of **1**, **3** and **4**.

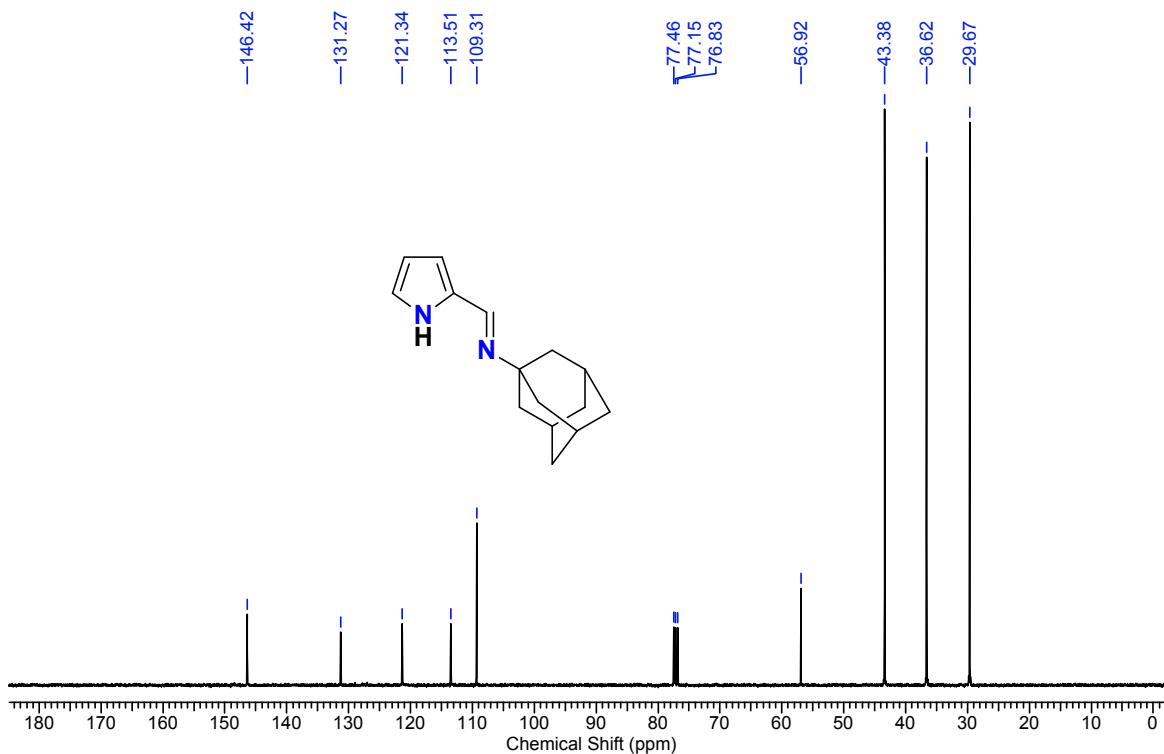
<b>Crystal Parameters</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
CCDC No.	1844011	1844012	1844010
Empirical formula	C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>54</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Li <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>27</sub> N <sub>2</sub> OK	C <sub>46</sub> H <sub>70</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Mg
Formula weight	612.73	338.53	767.37
<i>T</i> (K)	150(2) K 1.54184 Å	152(2) K 1.54184 Å	150(2) K 1.54184 Å
$\lambda$ (Å)			
Crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> /c	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> /c
<i>a</i> (Å)	11.4708(4)	7.3434(12)	11.1013(4)
<i>b</i> (Å)	10.5272(3)	11.2646(17)	37.9808(18)
<i>c</i> (Å)	14.4429(4)	11.9562(19)	10.1334(3)
$\alpha$ (°)	90.00	86.178(13)	90.00
$\beta$ (°)	105.612(3)	72.192(15)	94.099(3)
$\gamma$ (°)	90.00	76.218(14)	90.00
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1679.71(9)	914.5(3)	4261.7(3)
<i>Z</i>	2	2	4
<i>D</i> <sub>calc</sub> g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.211	1.229	1.196
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.567	2.575	0.723
<i>F</i> (000)	664	364	1672
Theta range for data collection	4.001 to 70.59 Deg	3.883 to 70.713 deg	3.99 to 70.85 deg.
Limiting indices	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 13, -12 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 9, -17 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 13	-8≤= <i>h</i> ≤=8, -7≤= <i>k</i> ≤=13, -14≤= <i>l</i> ≤=13.	-9≤= <i>h</i> ≤=13, -40≤= <i>k</i> ≤=46, -11≤= <i>l</i> ≤=12.
Reflections collected / unique	6112 / 3151 [R(int) = 0.0220]	3359 / 2592 [R(int) = 0.0349]	17729 / 8061 [R(int) = 0.0531]
Completeness to theta	99.5 %	76.3 %	98.0 %
Absorption corraction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	Semi-empirical from equivalents	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.68112	1.00000 and 0.83710	1.00000 and 0.65420
Refinement method	Full-matrix least- squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full-matrix least- squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	3151 / 0 / 216	2592 / 0 / 215	8061 / 0 / 496
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.123	1.084	1.047

Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0475, wR2 = 0.1388	R1 = 0.0732, wR2 = 0.1893	R1 = 0.0738, wR2 = 0.1870
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0511, wR2 = 0.1413	R1 = 0.0957, wR2 = 0.2186	R1 = 0.0976, wR2 = 0.2089
Absolute structure parameter			
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.267 and -0.305 e.A^-3	0.683 and -0.666 e.A^-3	0.550 and -0.359 e.A^-3

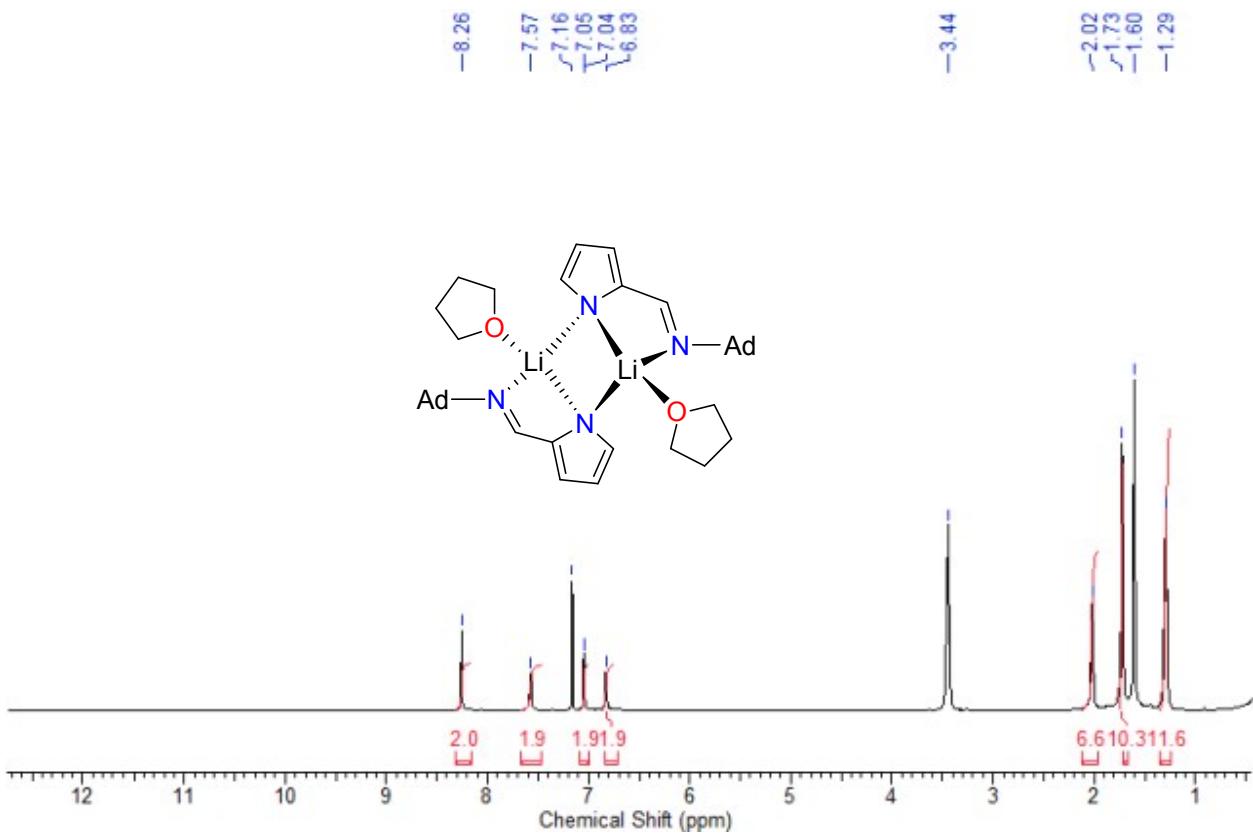
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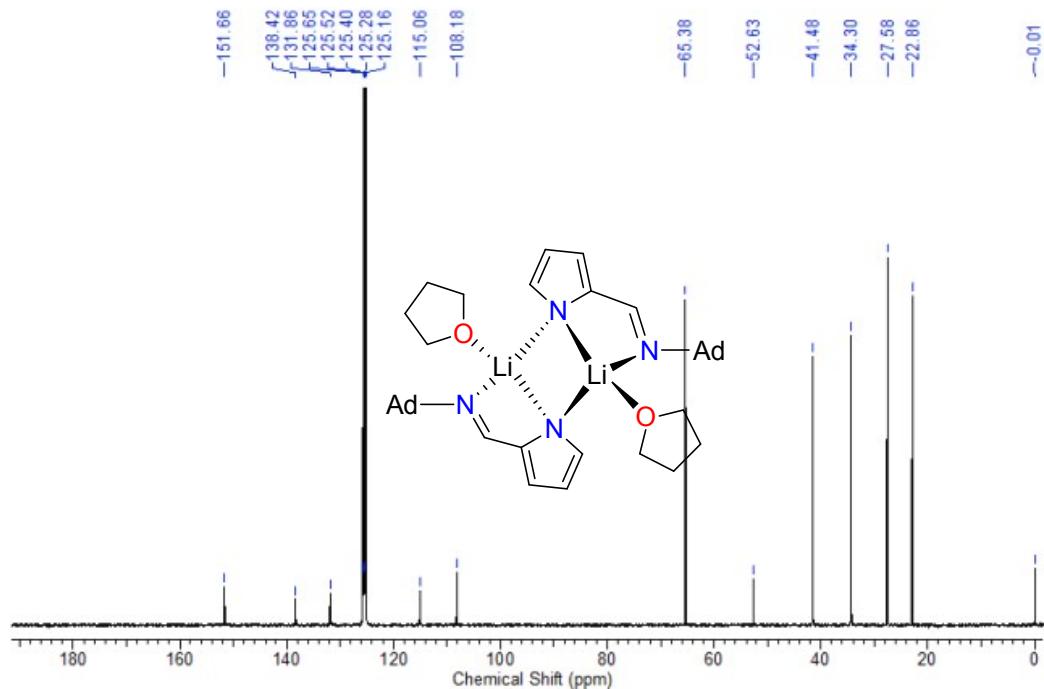
**Figure FS3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of complex **L1**.



**Figure FS4.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of complex **L1**.



**Figure FS5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of complex 1.



**Figure FS6.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of complex 1.

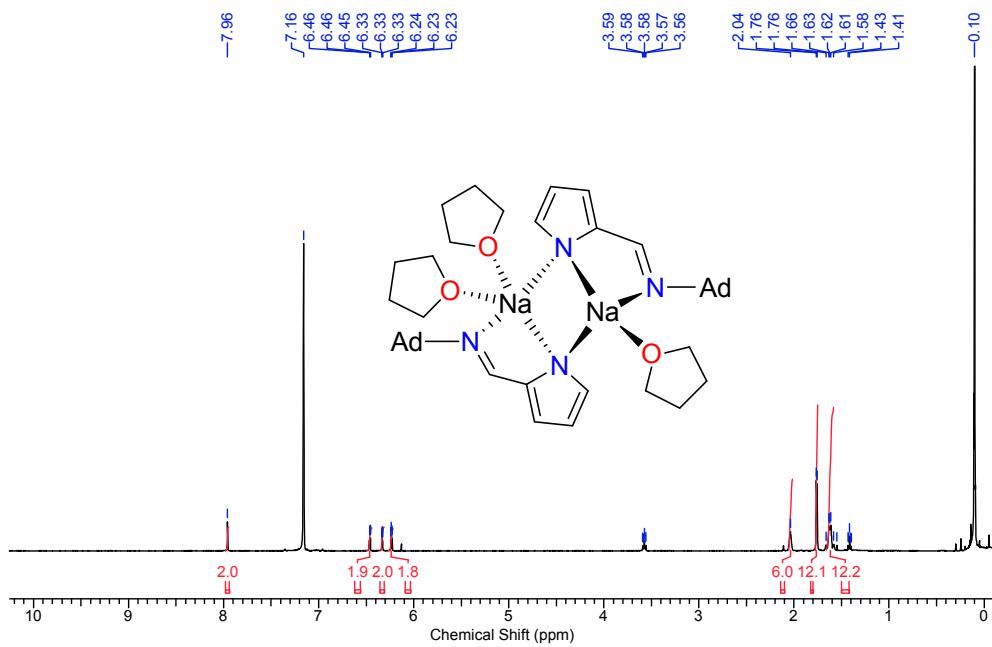


Figure FS7.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of complex 2.

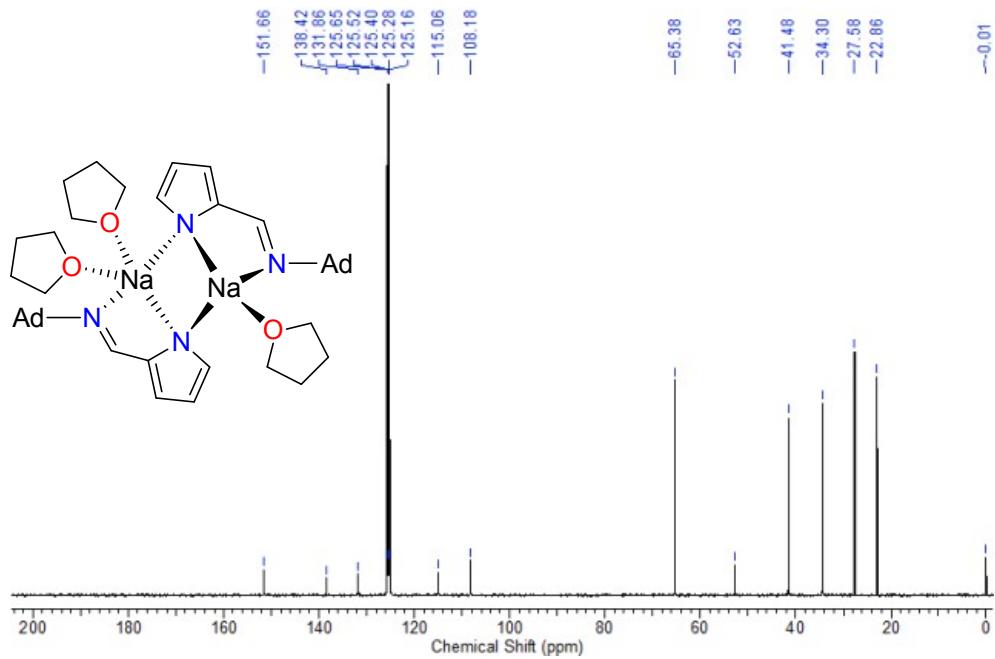
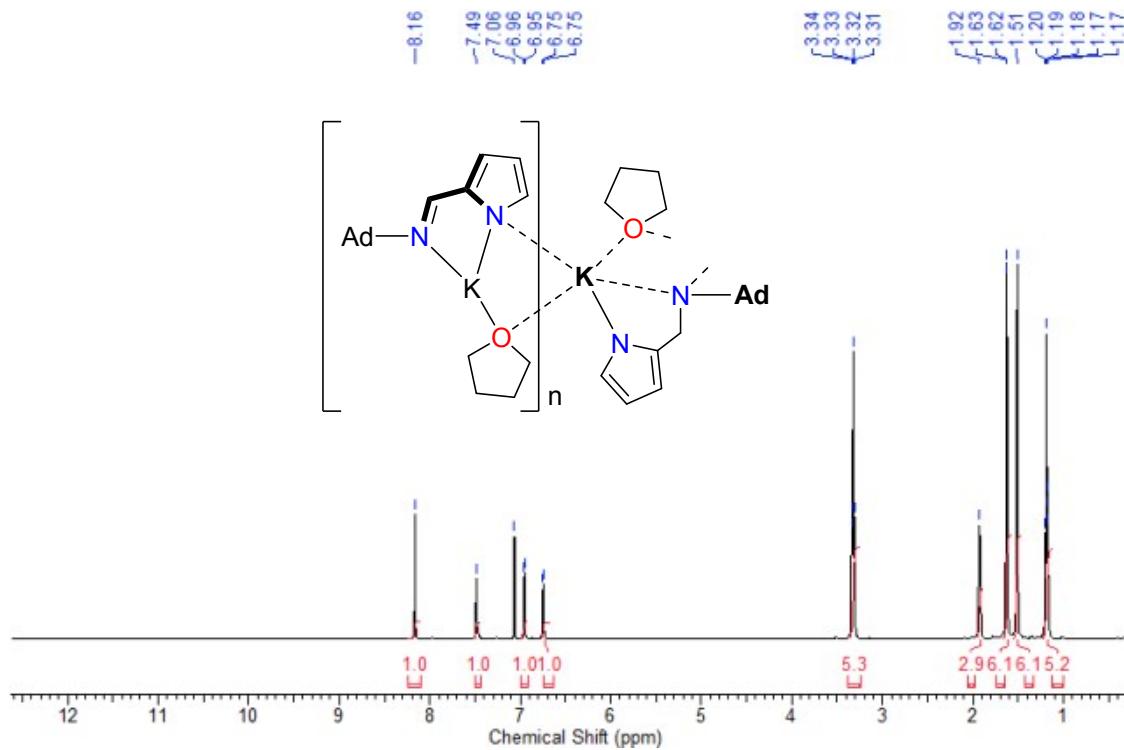
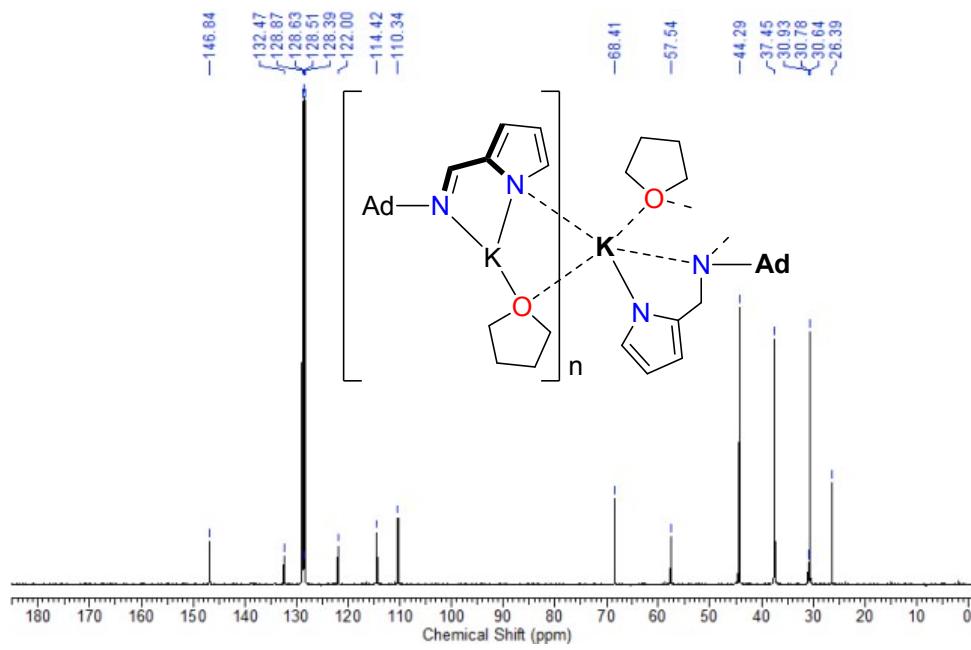


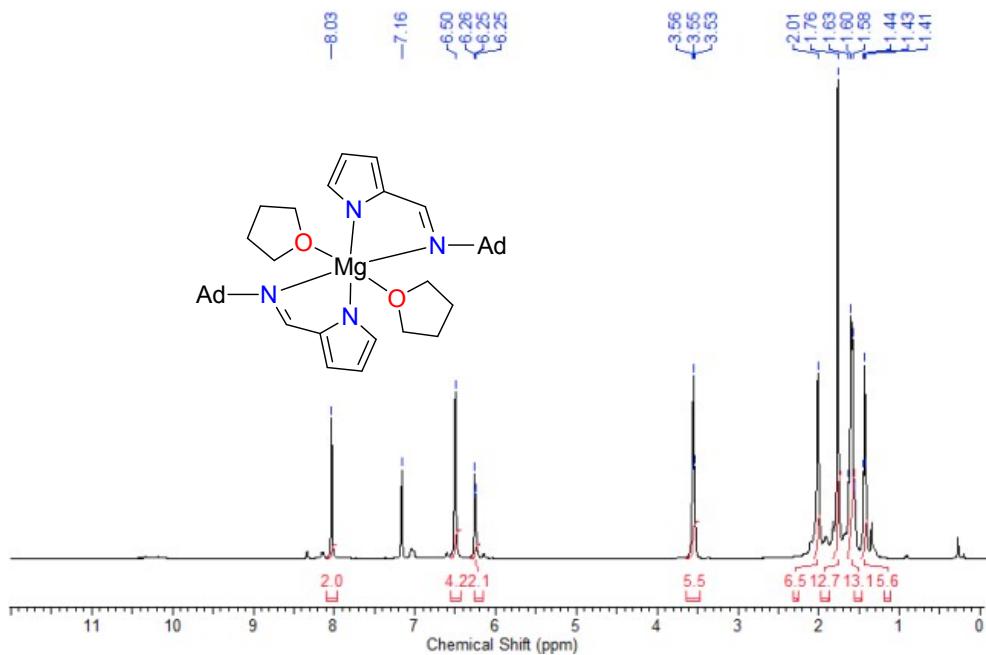
Figure FS8.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of complex 2.



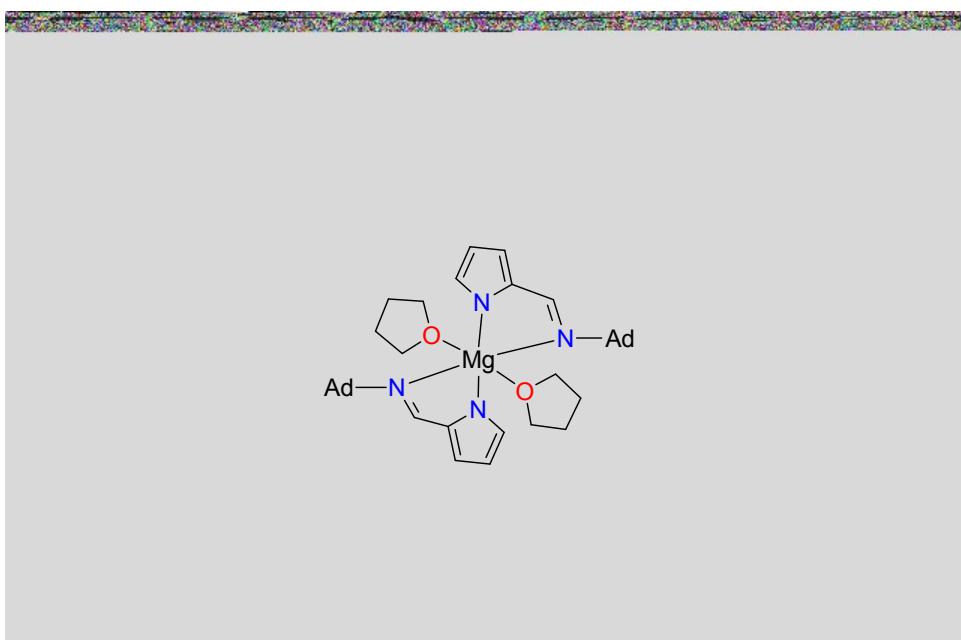
**Figure FS9:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of complex 3.



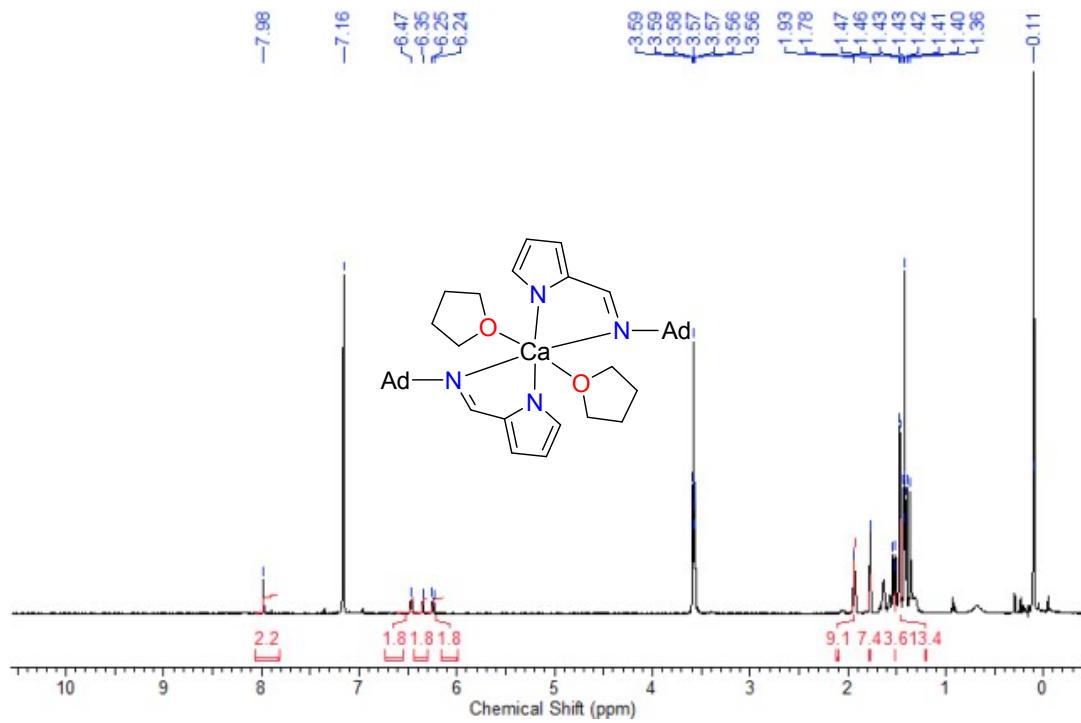
**Figure FS10.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of complex 3.



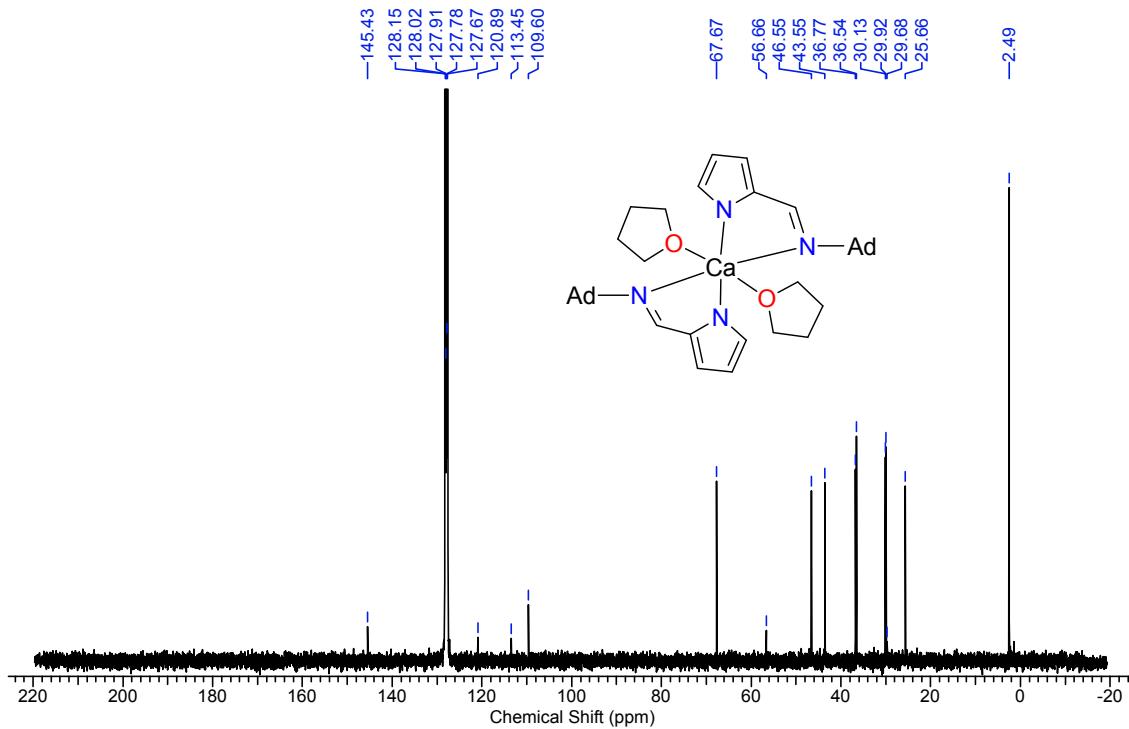
**Figure FS11.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of Magnesium complex **4**.



**Figure FS12.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of magnesium complex **4**.



**Figure FS13.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of calcium complex 5.



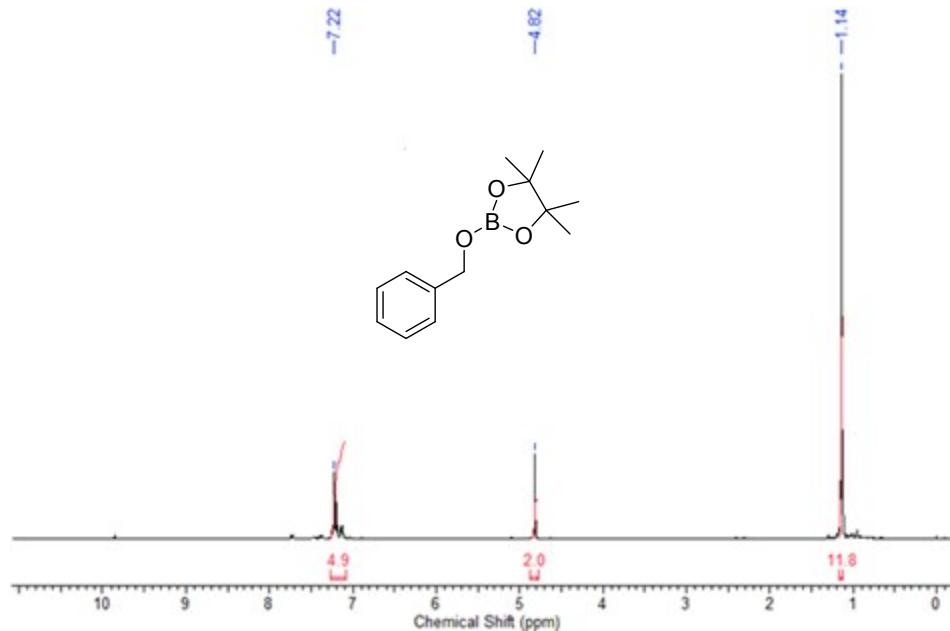
**Figure FS14.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of Calcium complex 5.

### Typical procedure for hydroborylation of carbonyl compounds:

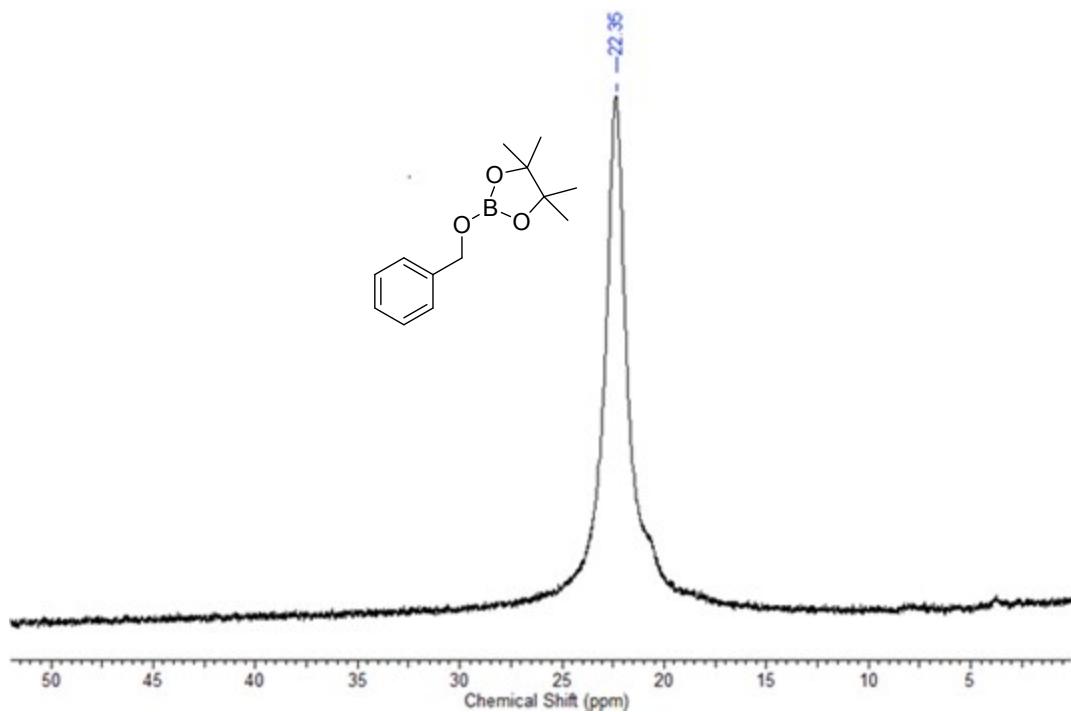
Hydroborylation of carbonyl compounds were carried out using the following standard protocol. In the glove box, the chosen pre-catalyst (0.03 mmol) was loaded into a Schlenk tube, and subsequently the aldehyde or ketone (1 mmol) followed by pinacolborane (1 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred in an oil bath at the desired temperature (30°C). Substrate conversion was monitored by examination of the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, which indicates the formation of new  $\text{CH}_2$  (for aldehydes)  $\text{CH}$  (ketones) peak and disappearance of aldehyde proton.

### Typical procedure for TMSCN addition to carbonyl compounds:

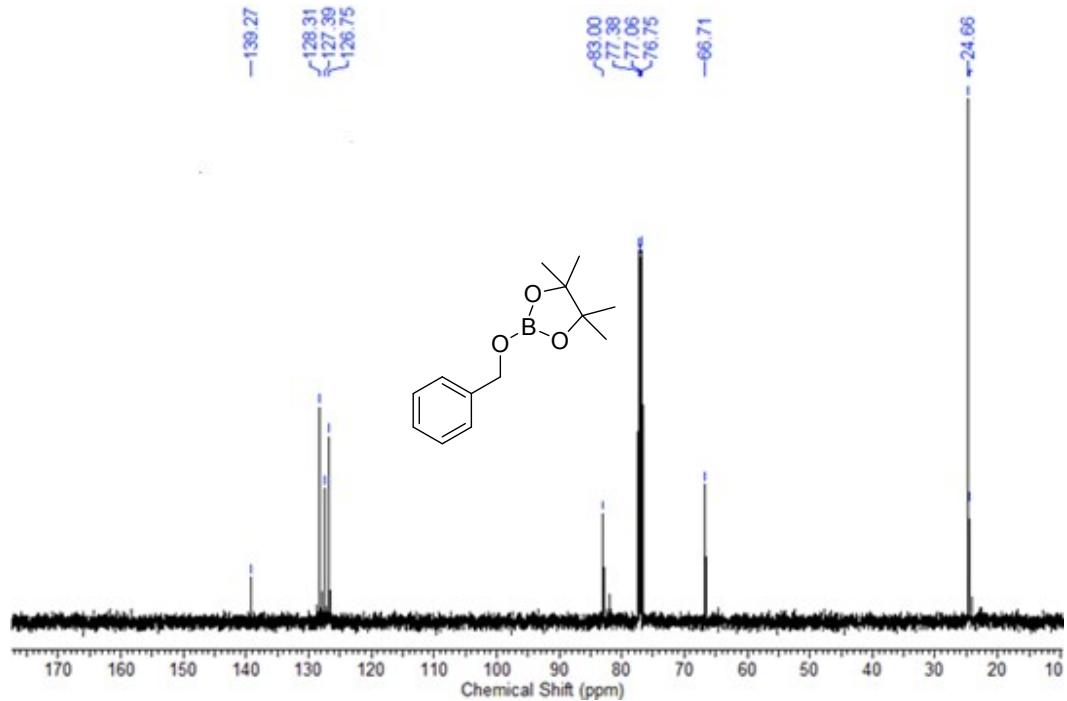
TMSCN addition of carbonyl compounds were carried out using the following standard protocol. In the glove box, the chosen pre-catalyst (0.03 mmol) was loaded into a Schlenk tube, and subsequently the aldehyde or ketone (1 mmol) followed by TMSCN (1 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred in an oil bath at the desired temperature (30°C).



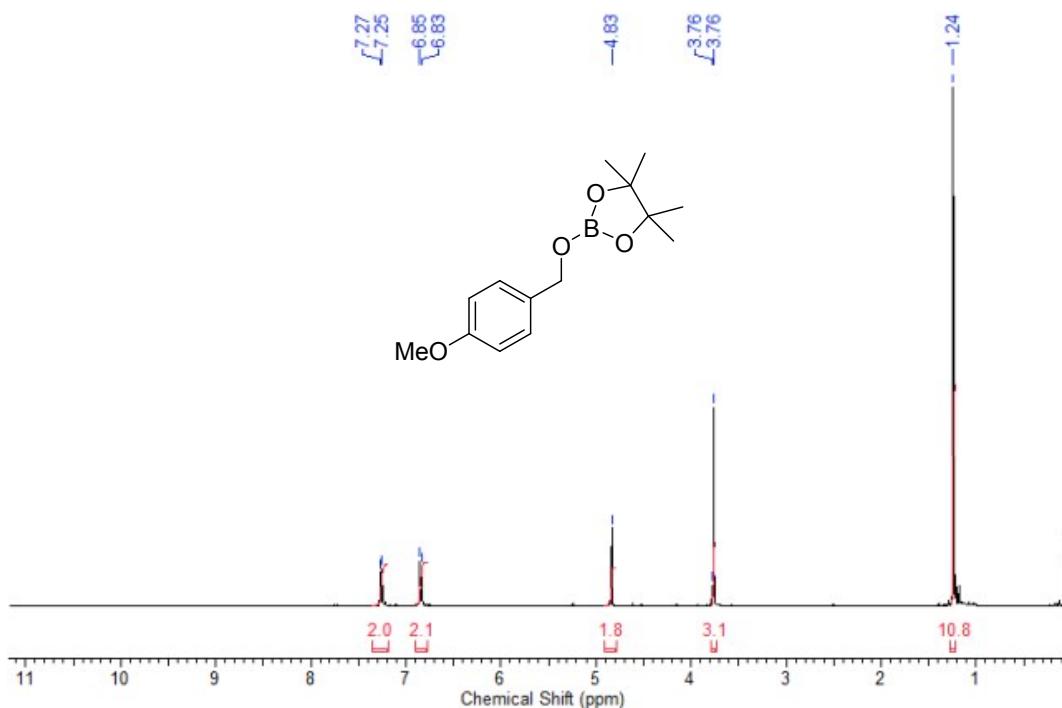
**Figure FS15.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(benzyloxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



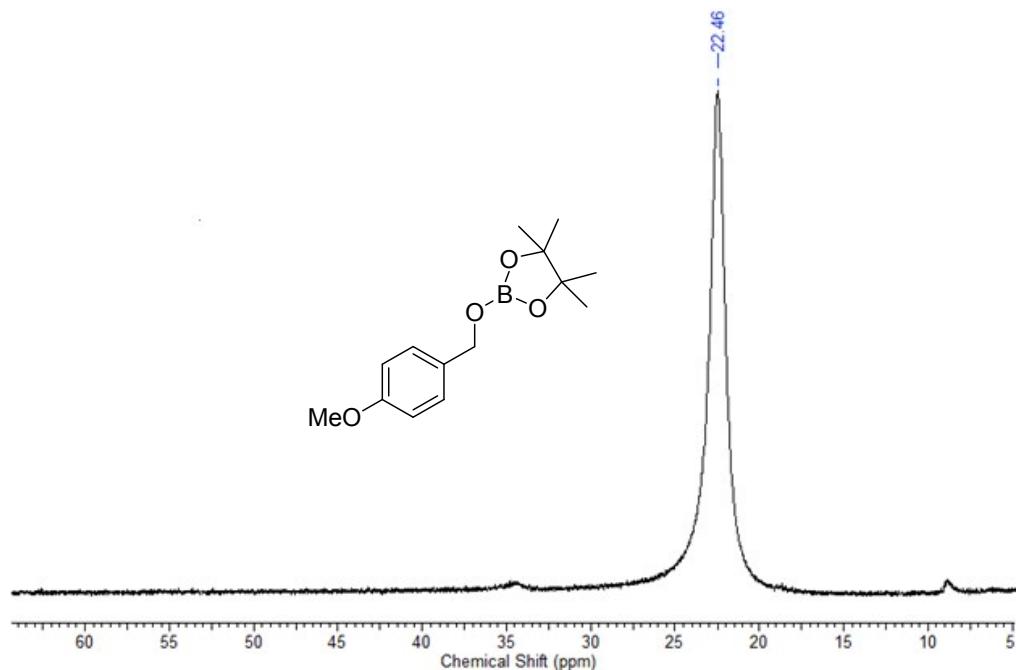
**Figure S16.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(benzyloxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



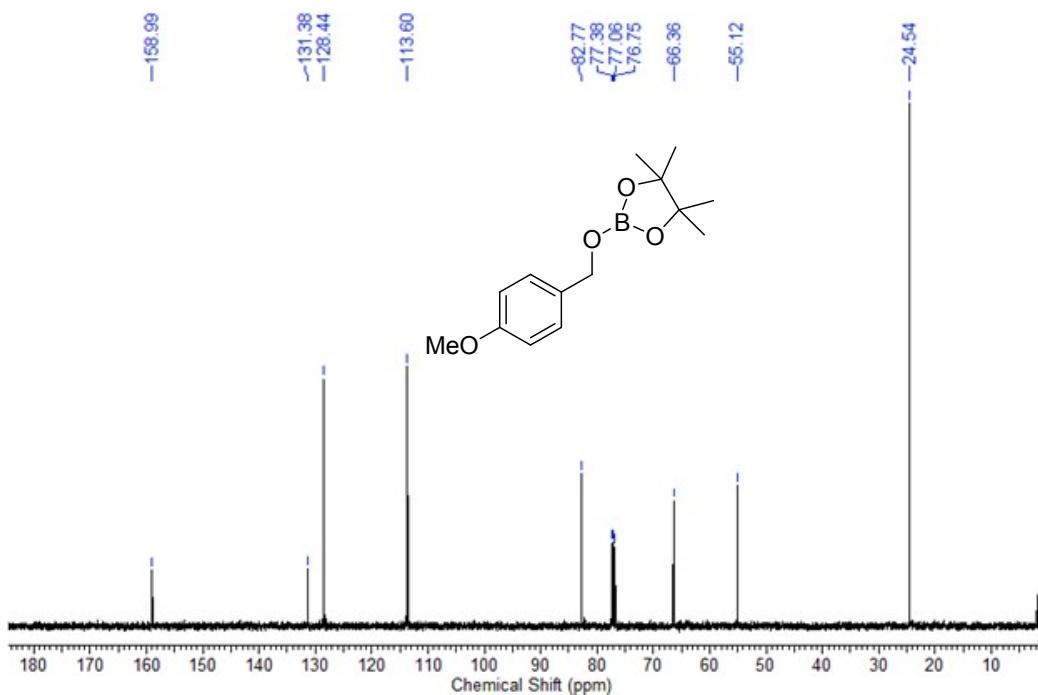
**Figure FS17.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(benzyloxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



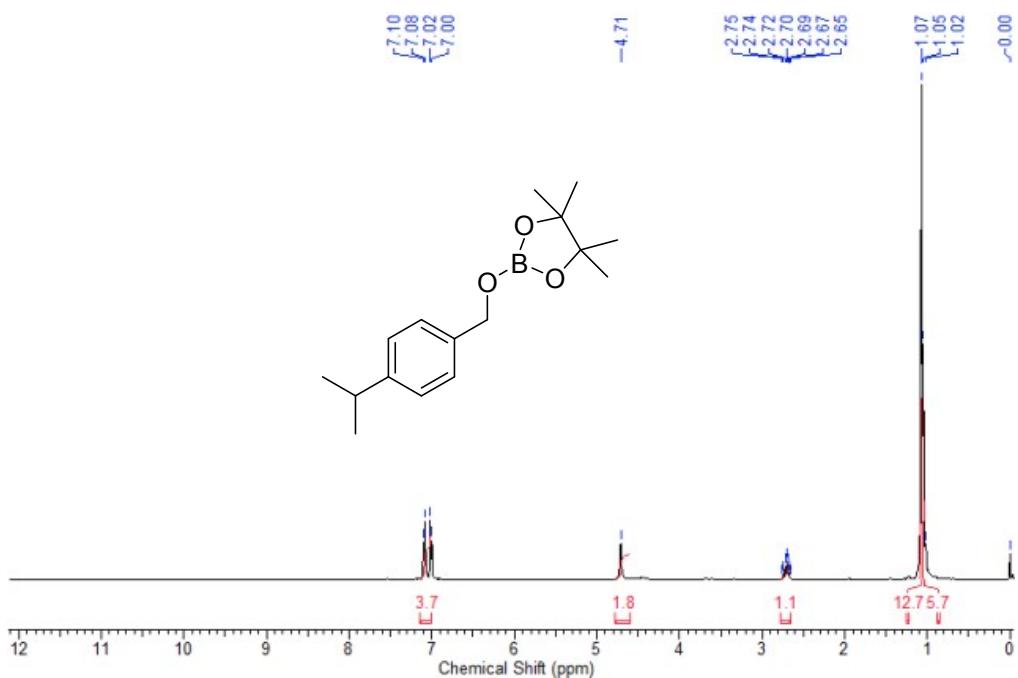
**Figure FS18.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



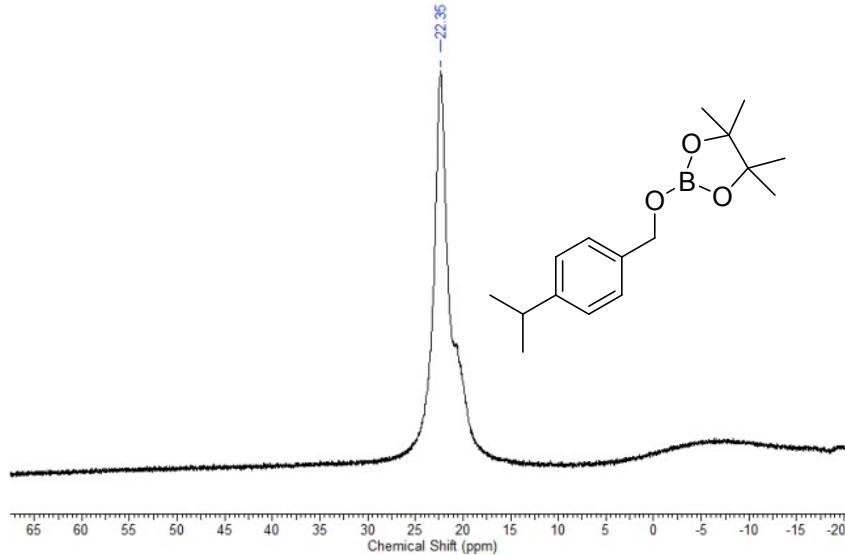
**Figure S19.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



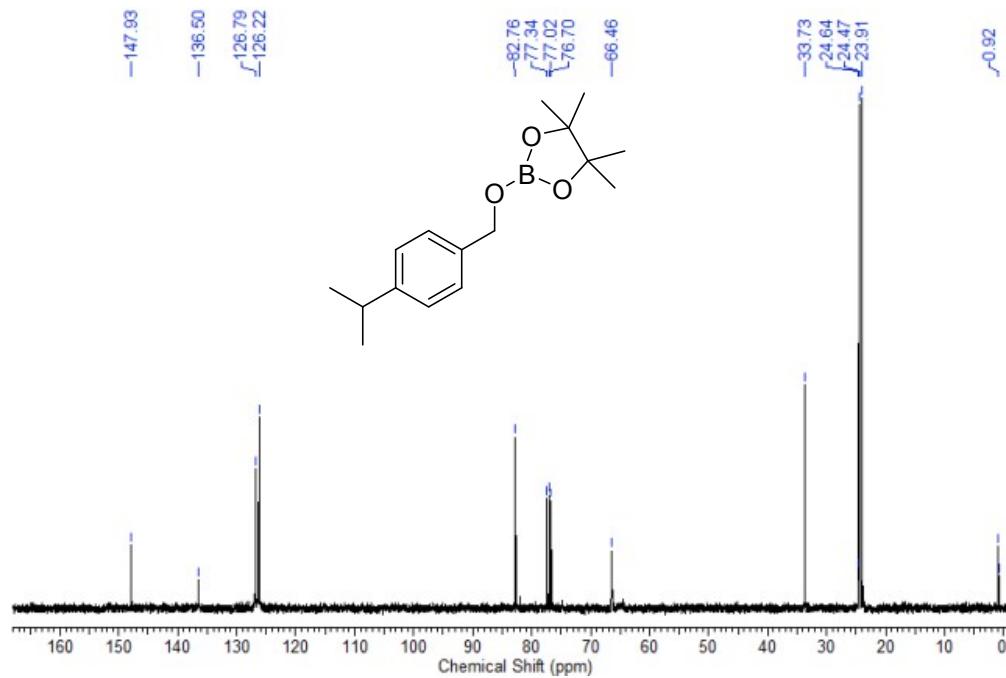
**Figure FS20.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



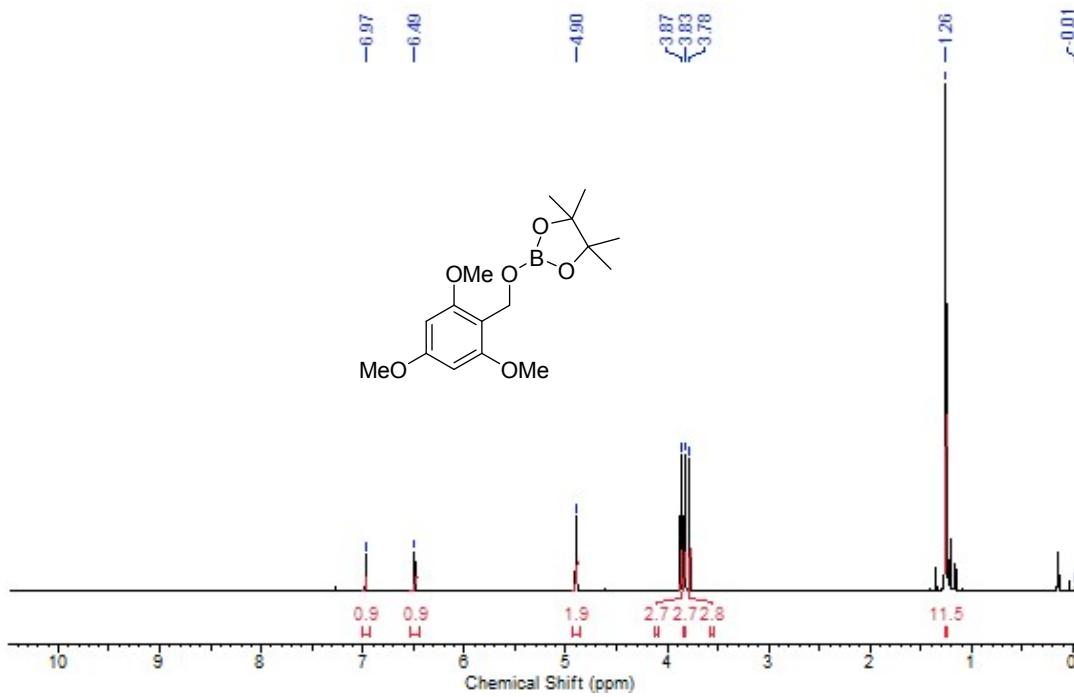
**Figure FS21.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-isopropylbenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



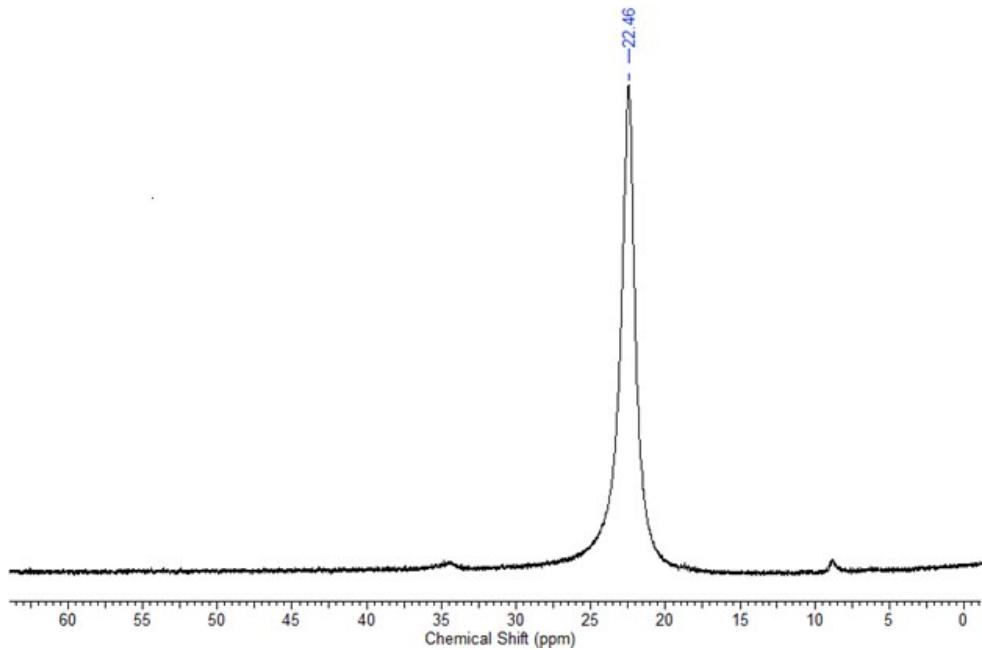
**Figure S22.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-isopropylbenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



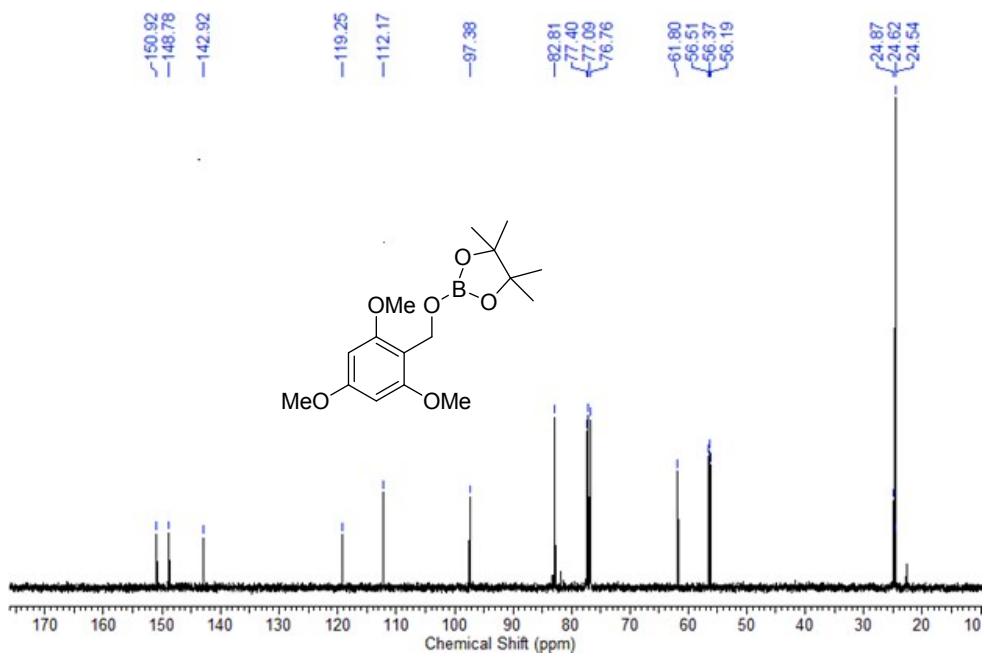
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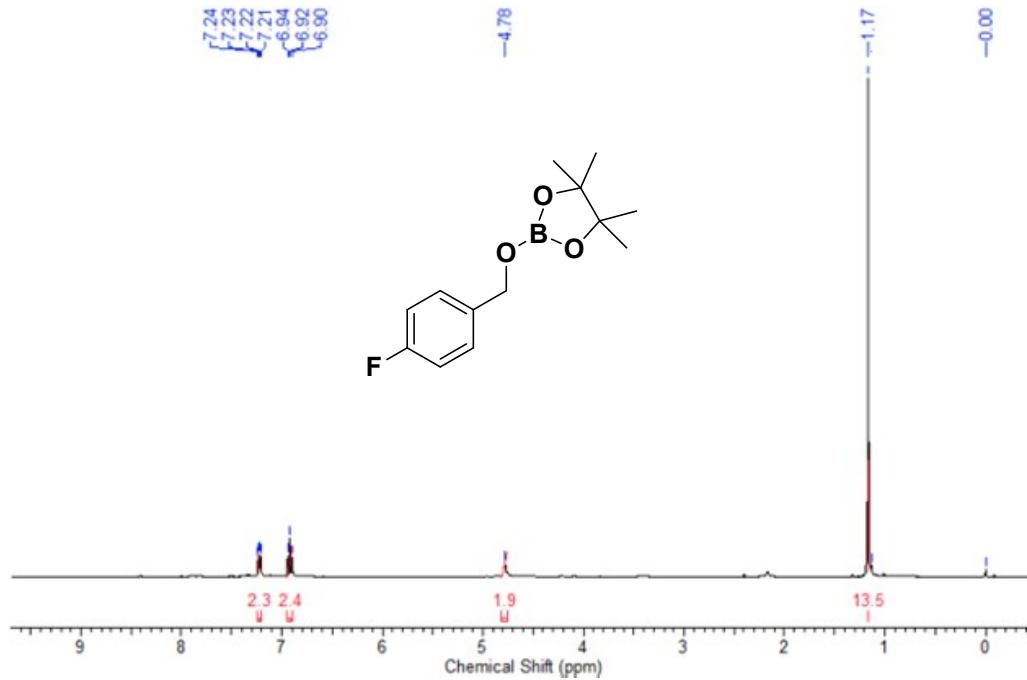
**Figure FS24.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-((2,4,6-trimethoxybenzyl)oxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



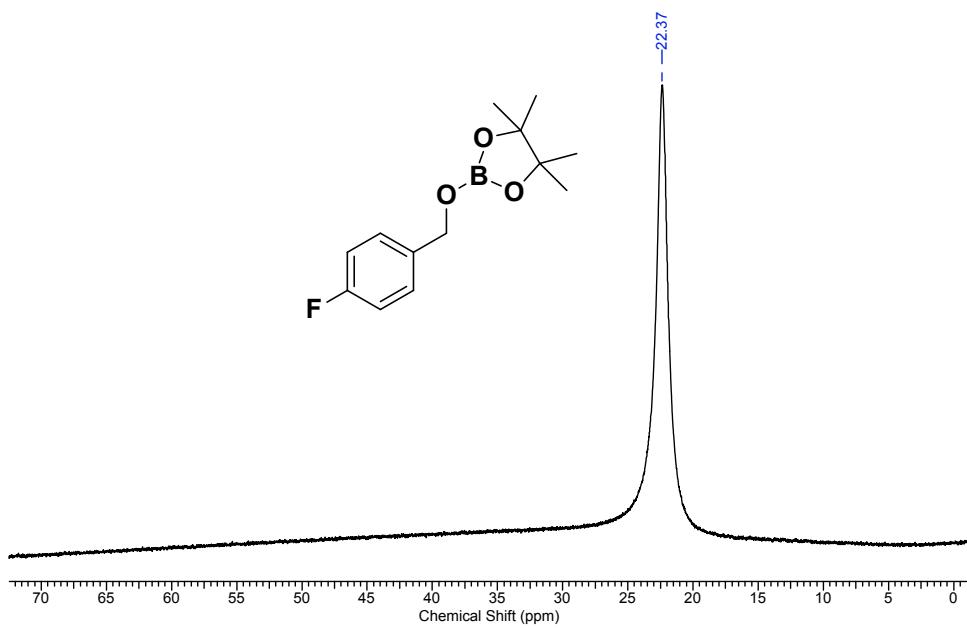
**Figure S25.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-((2,4,6-trimethoxybenzyl)oxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



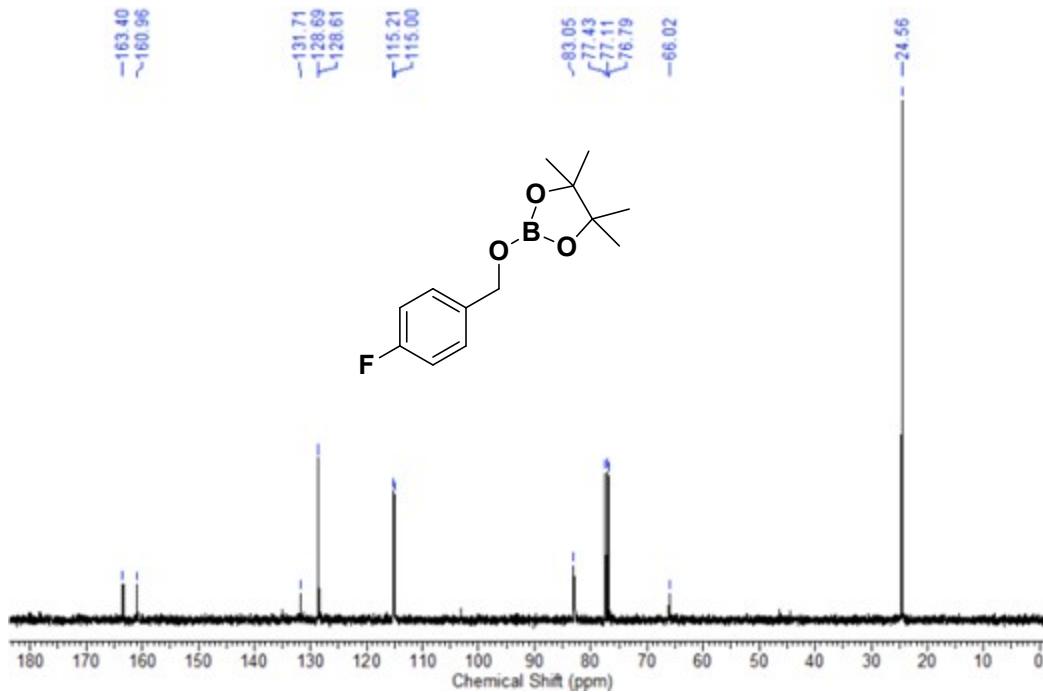
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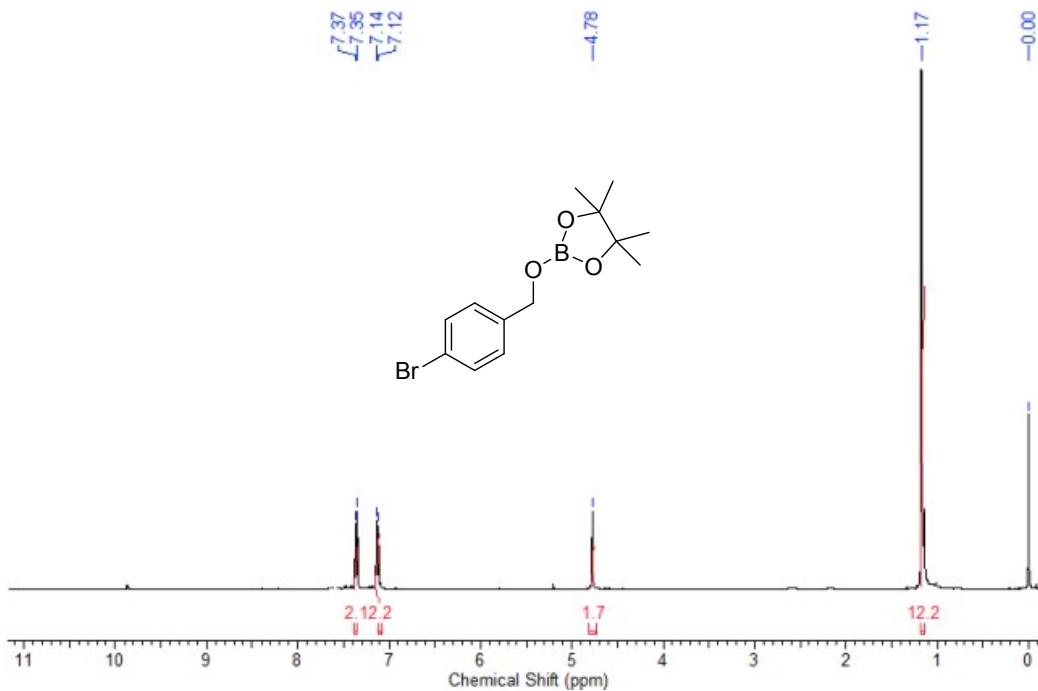
**Figure FS27.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-fluorobenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



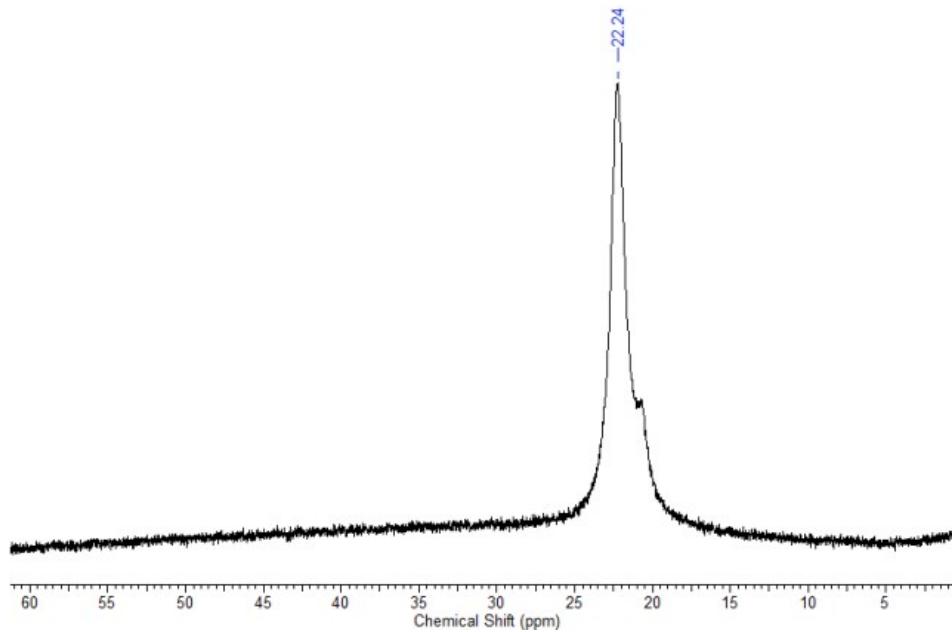
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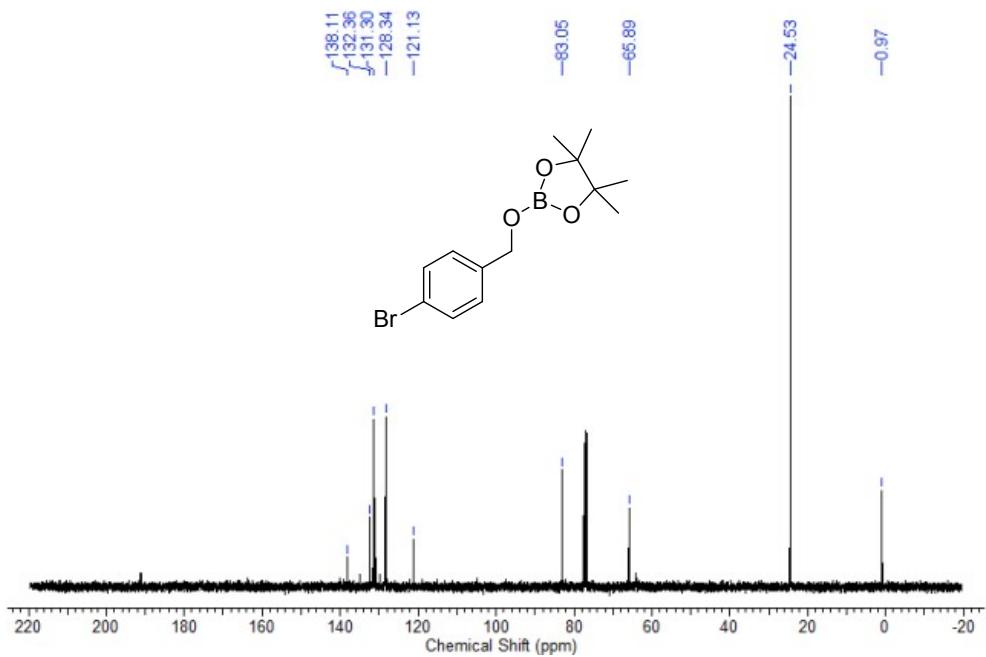
**Figure FS29.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-fluorobenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



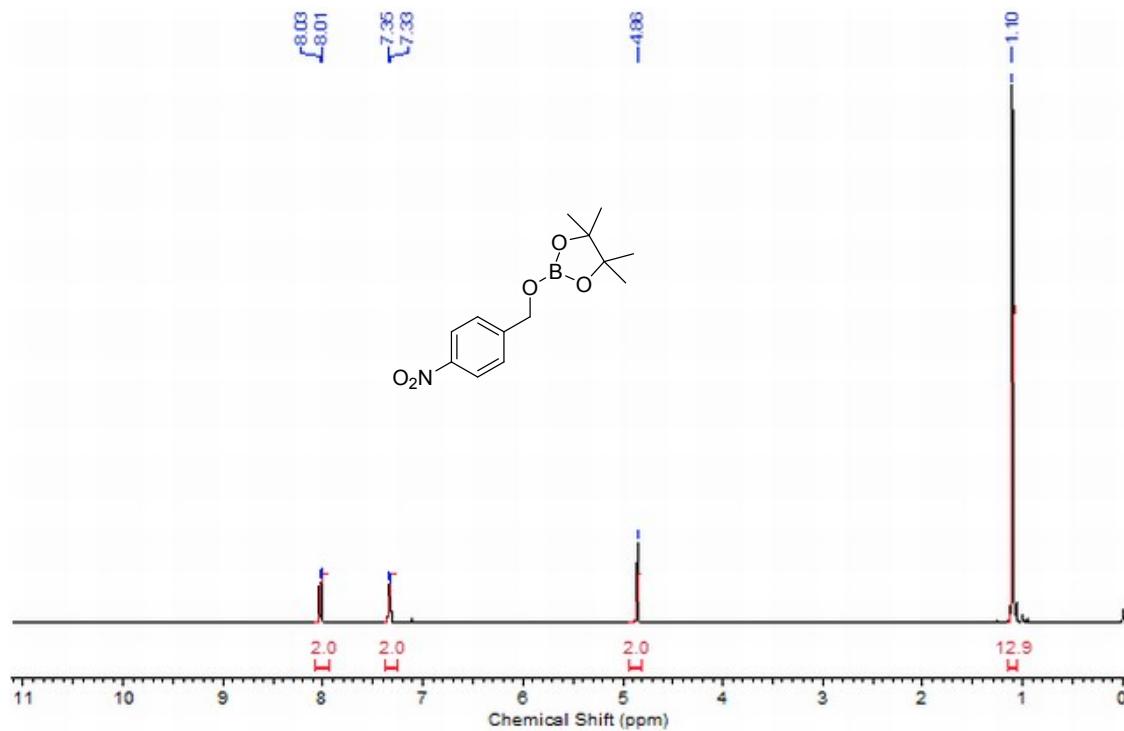
**Figure FS30.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-bromobenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



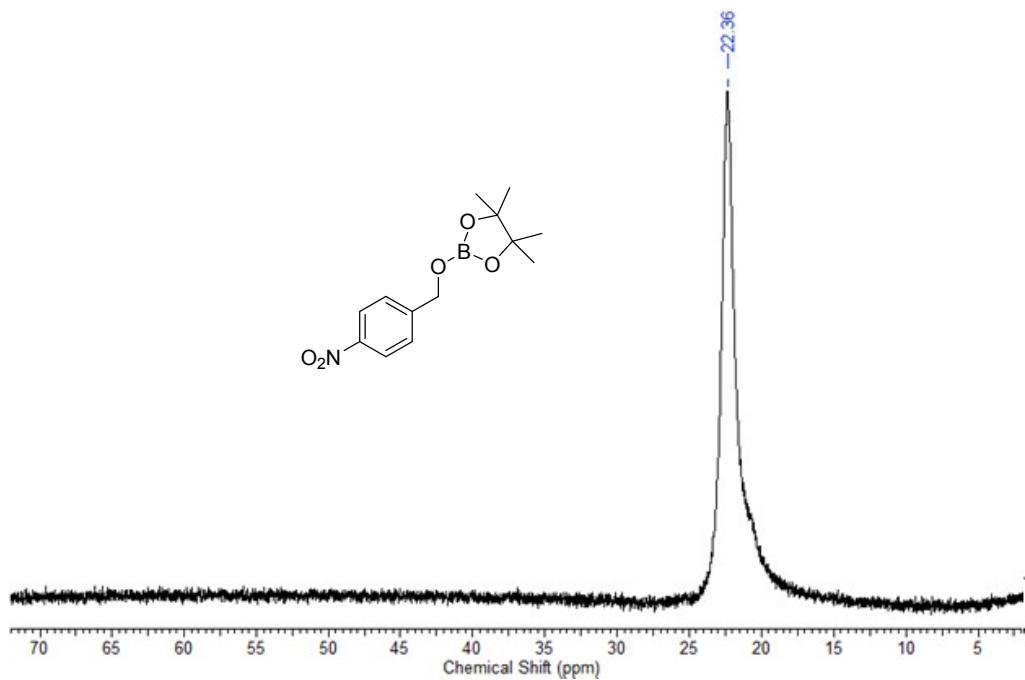
**Figure S31.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4-bromobenzyl)oxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



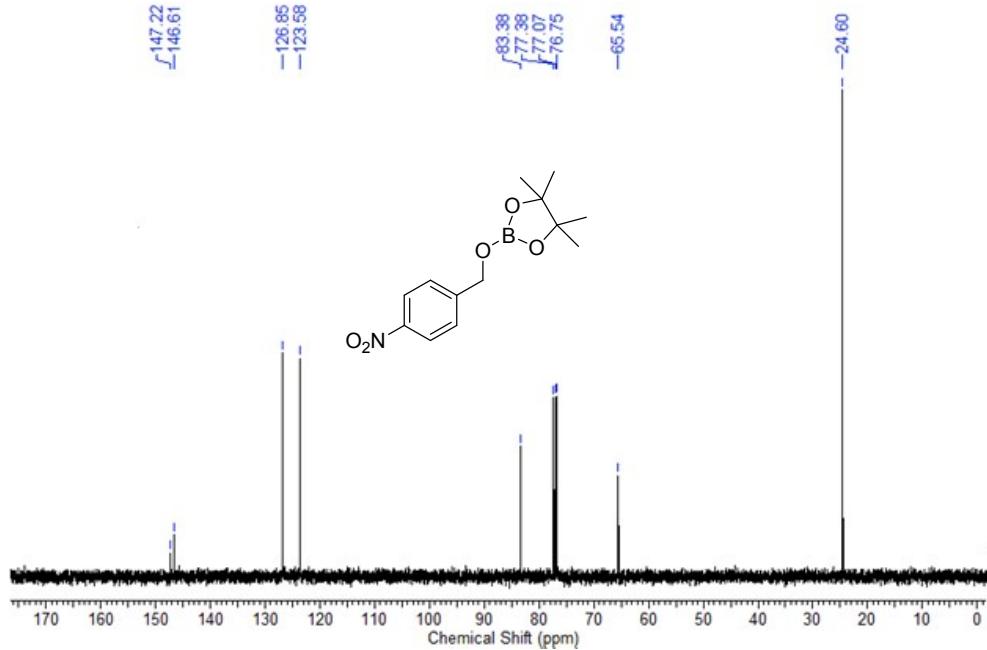
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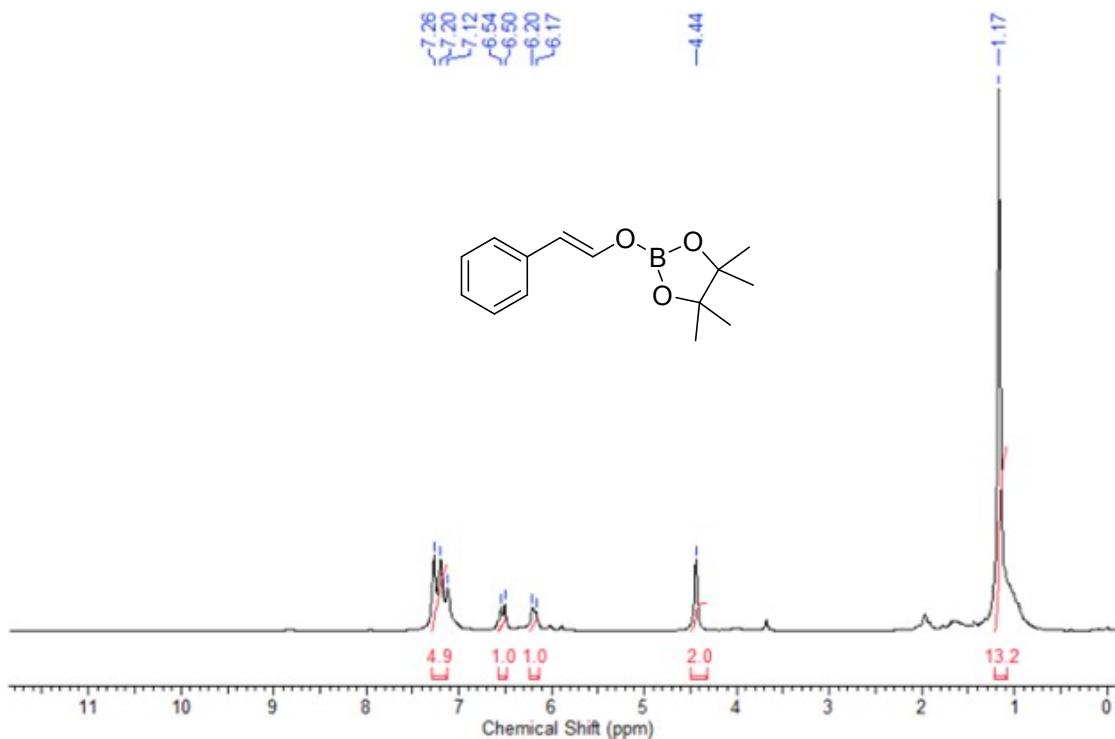
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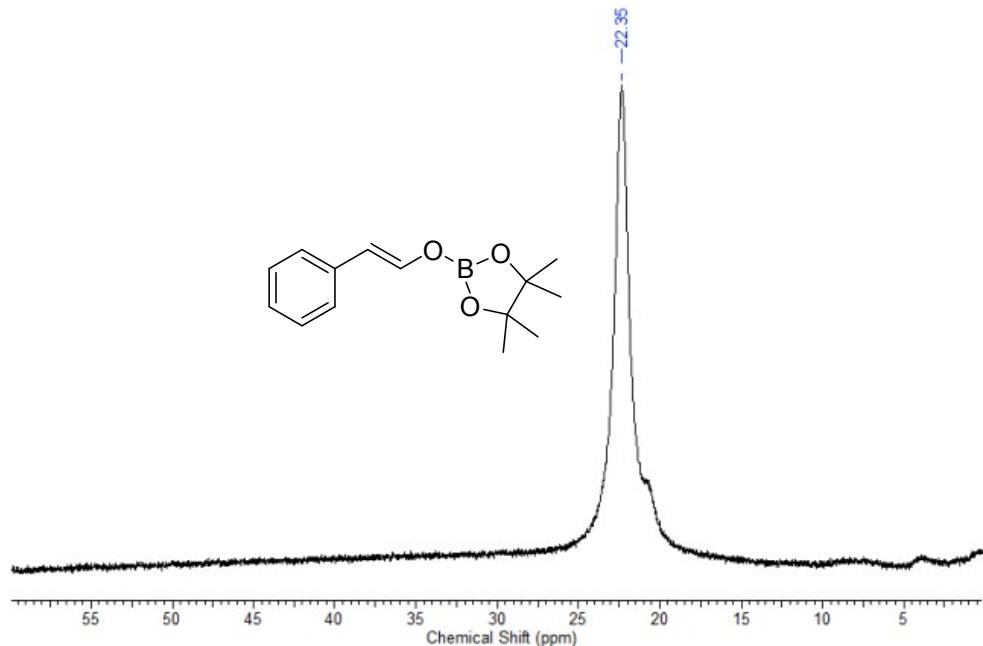
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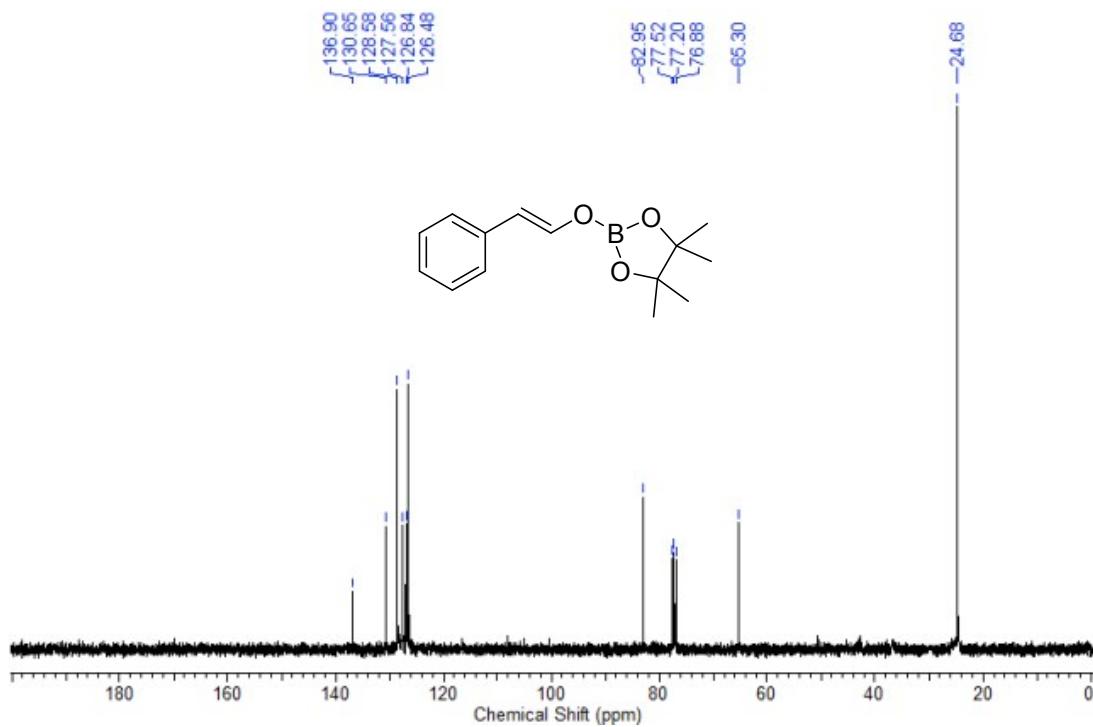
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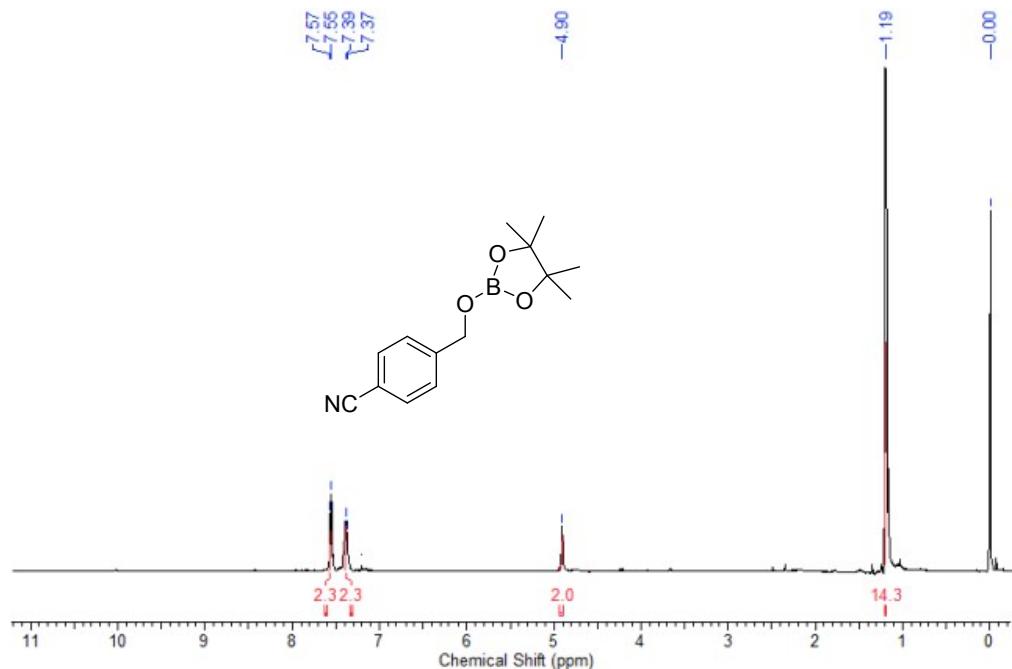
**Figure FS36.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of (E)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(styryloxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



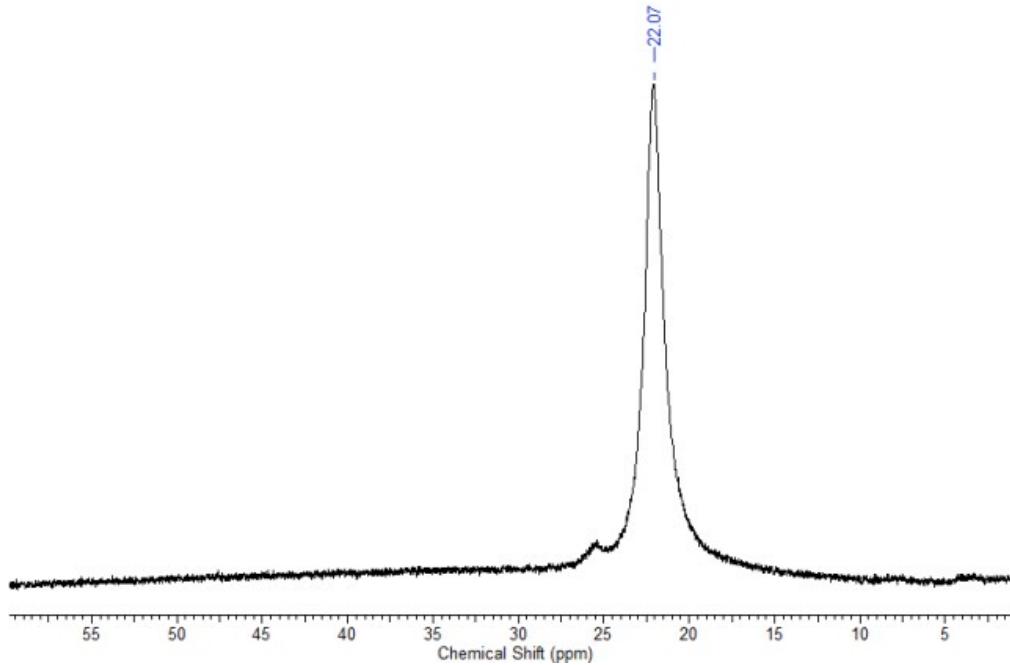
**Figure S37.** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of (E)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(styryloxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



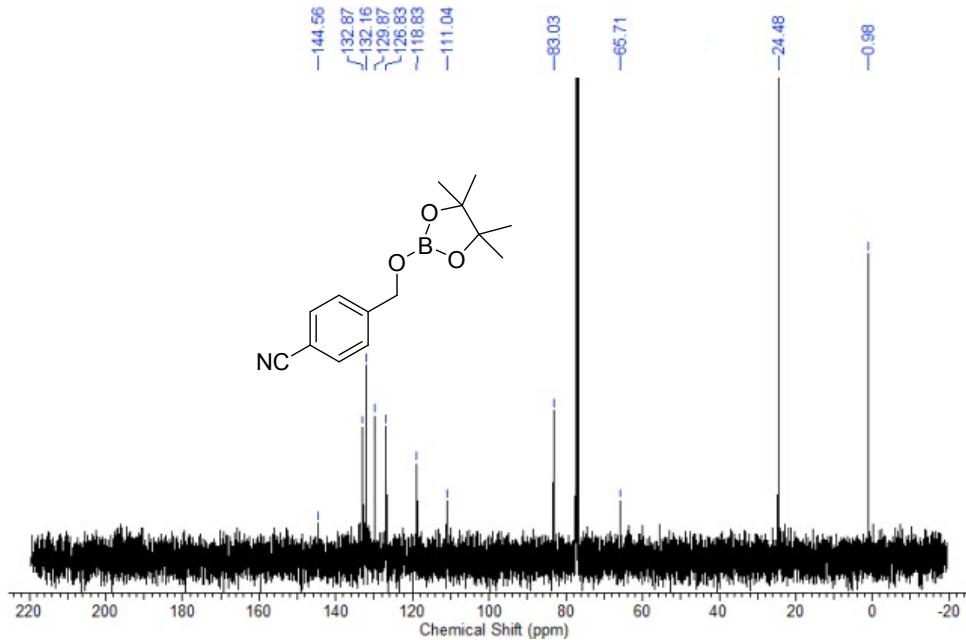
**Figure FS38.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of (E)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(styryloxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



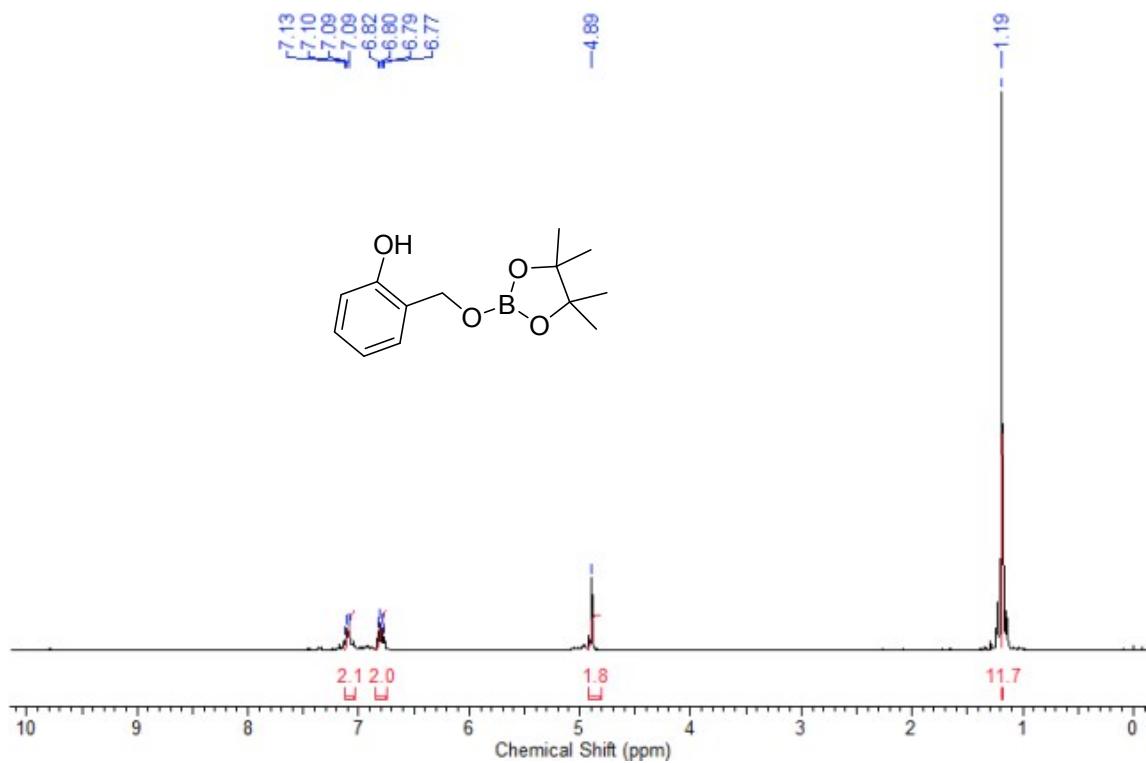
**Figure FS39.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)benzonitrile.



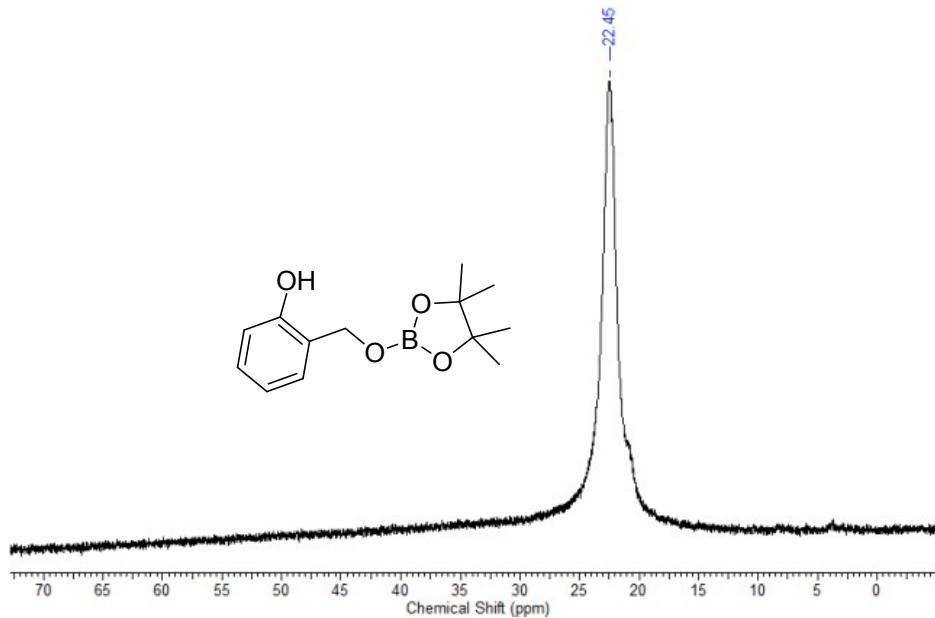
**Figure S40.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)benzonitrile.



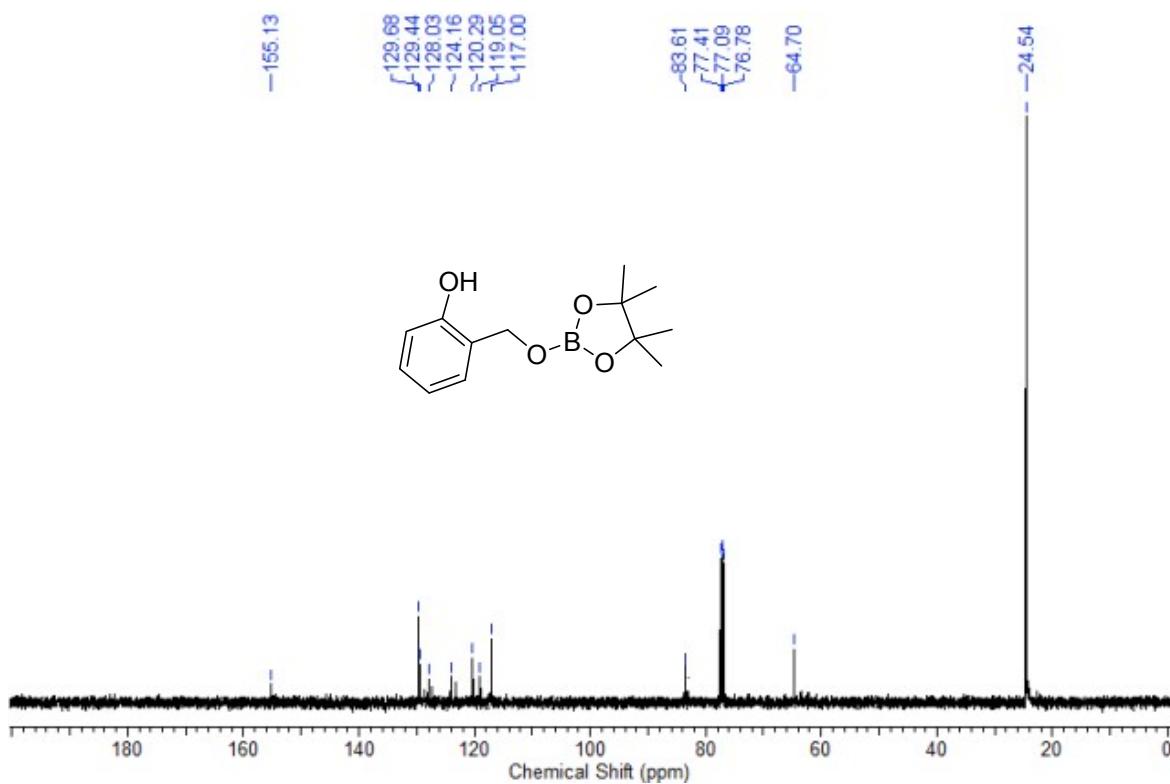
**Figure FS41.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)benzonitrile.



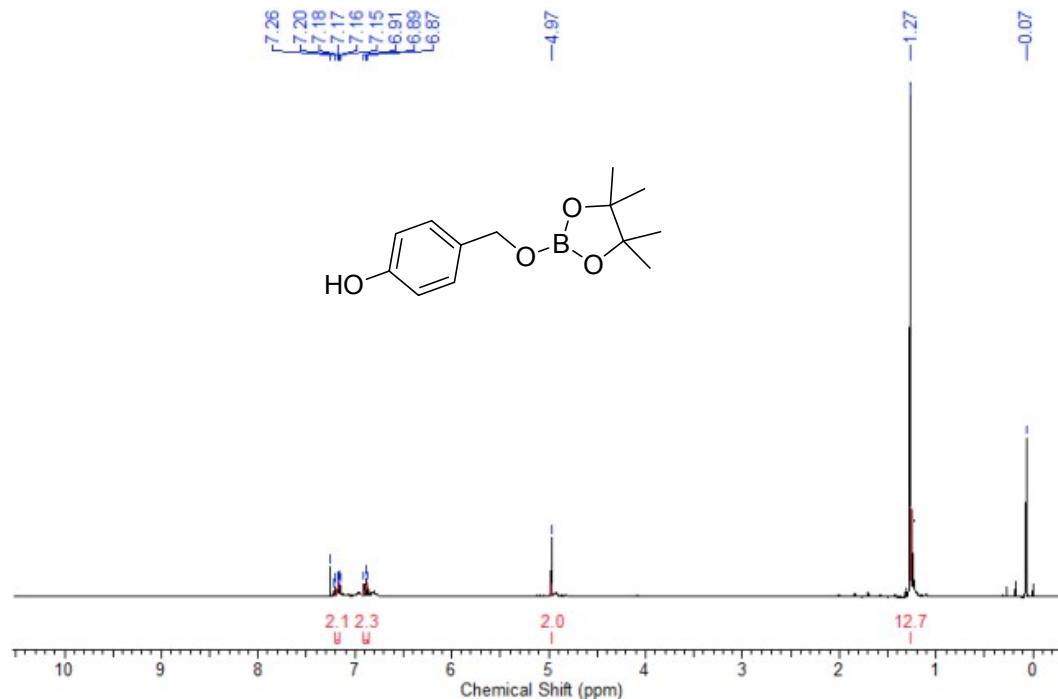
**Figure FS42.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)phenol.



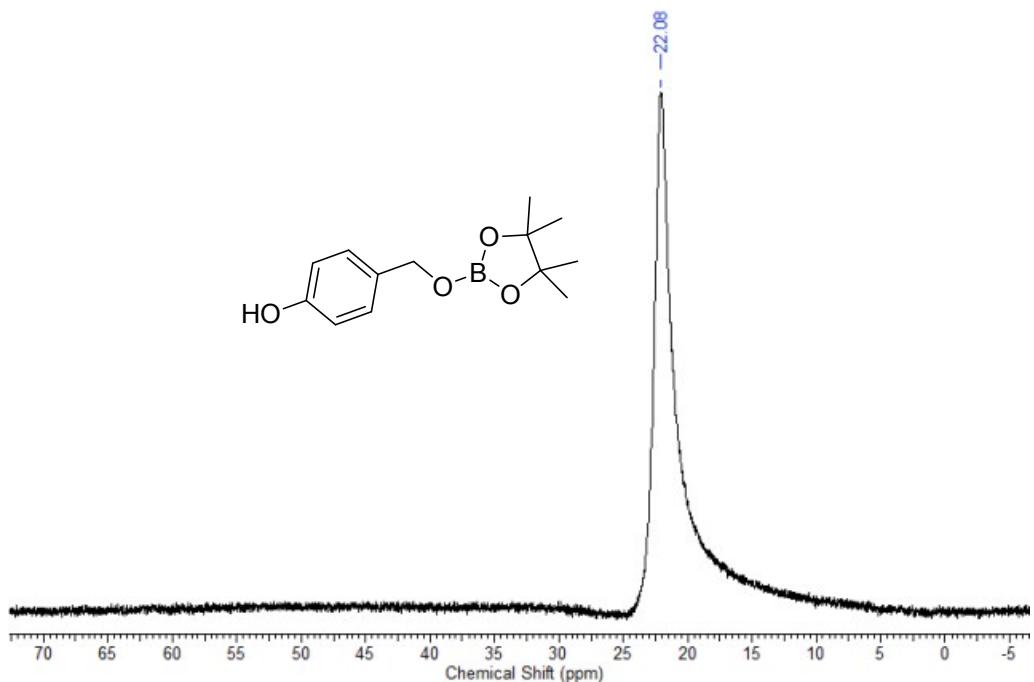
**Figure S43.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)phenol.



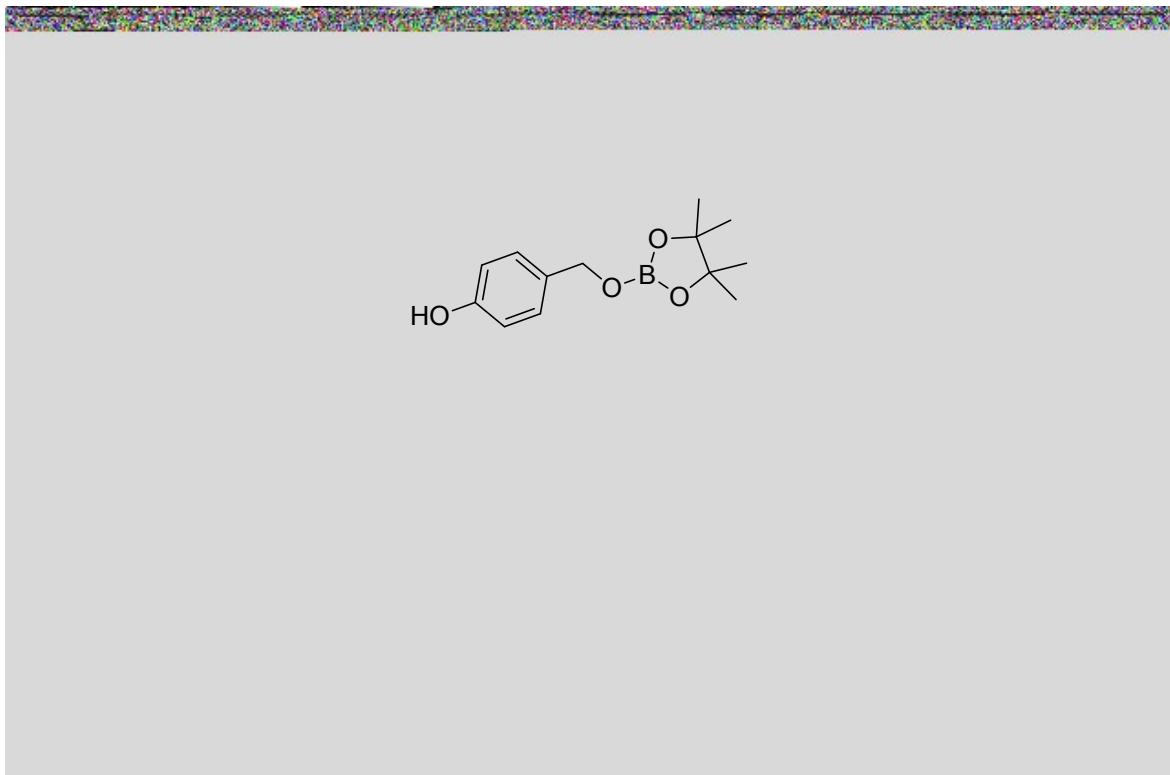
**Figure S44.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)phenol.



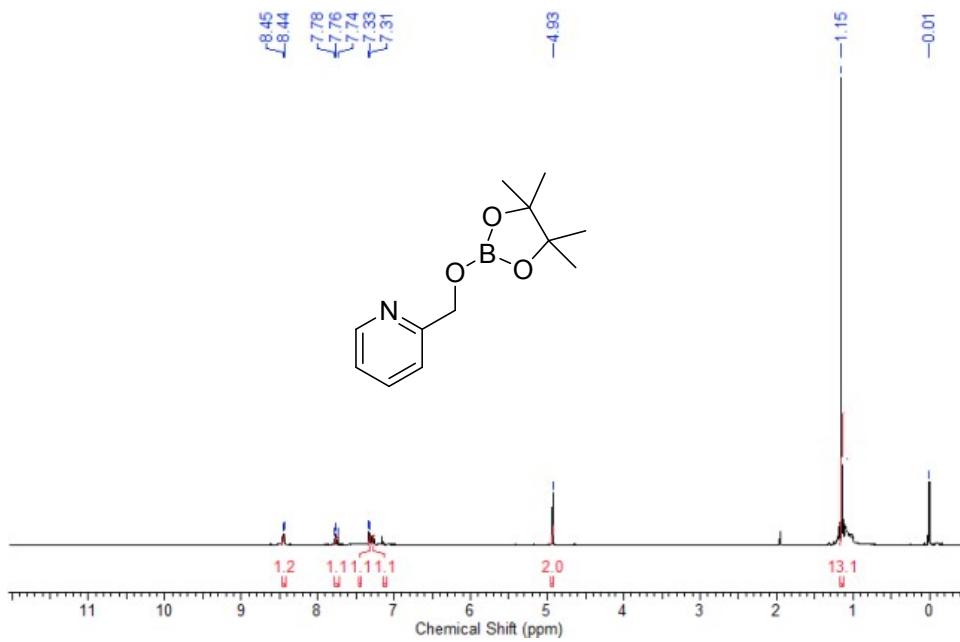
**Figure FS45.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)phenol.



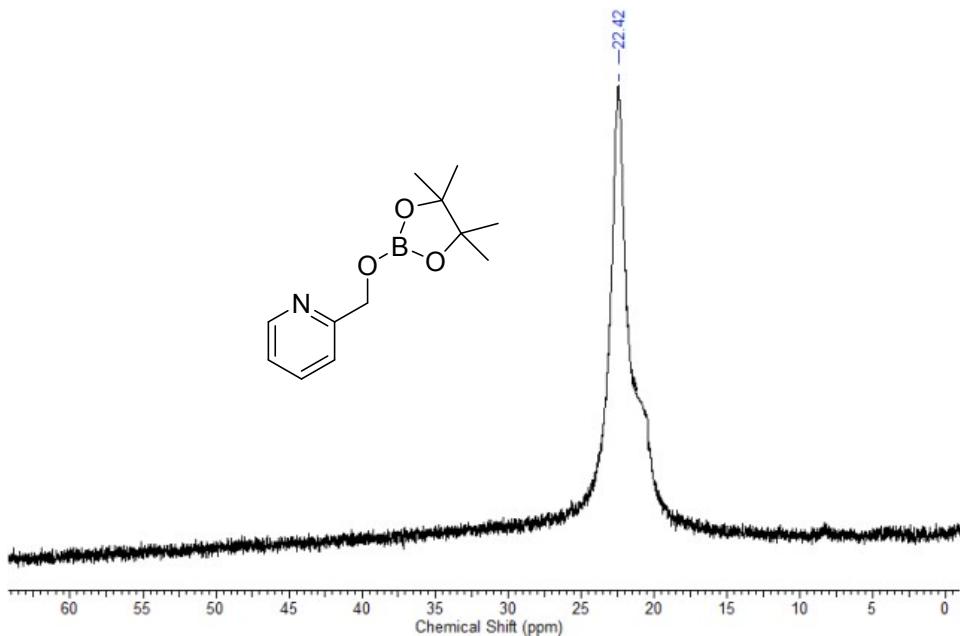
**Figure S46.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)phenol.



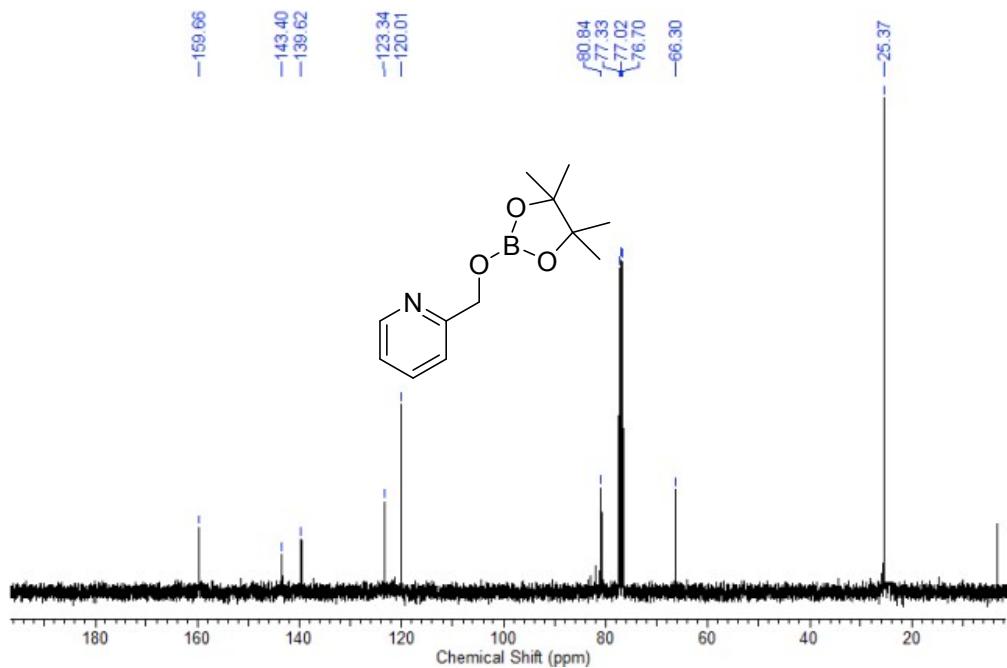
**Figure S47.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)phenol.



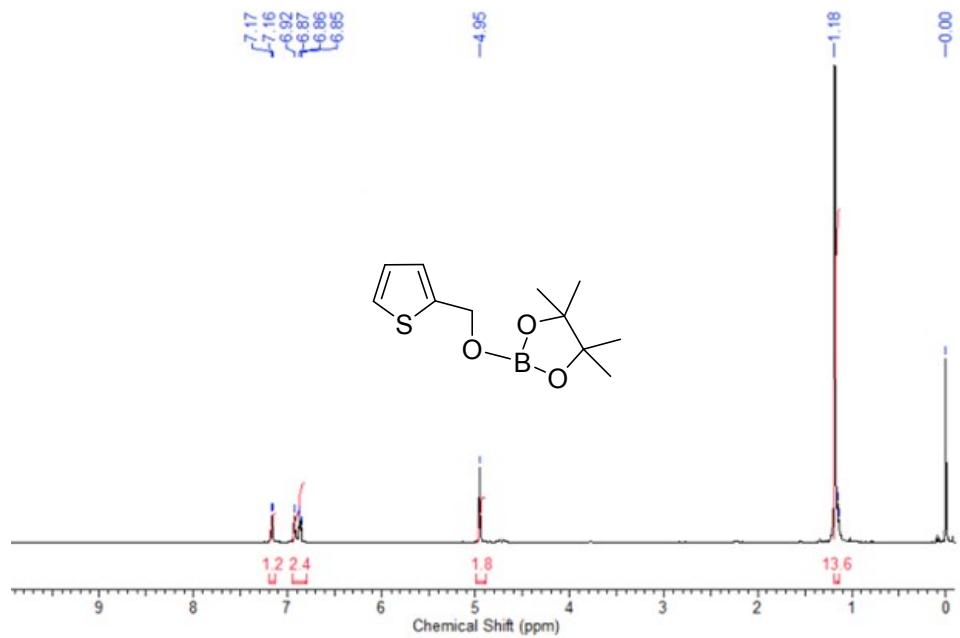
**Figure FS48.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methylpyridine.



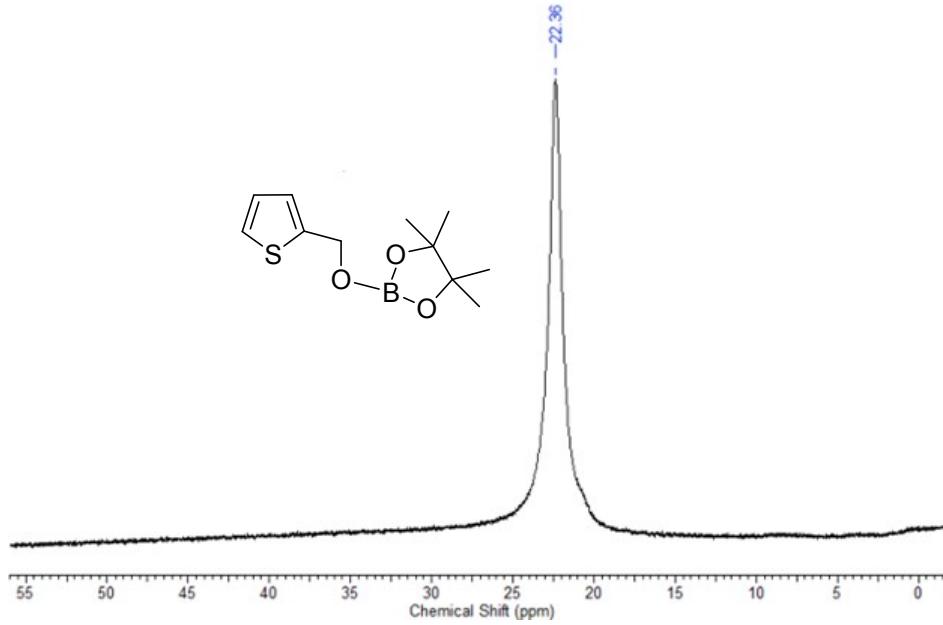
**Figure S49.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methylpyridine.



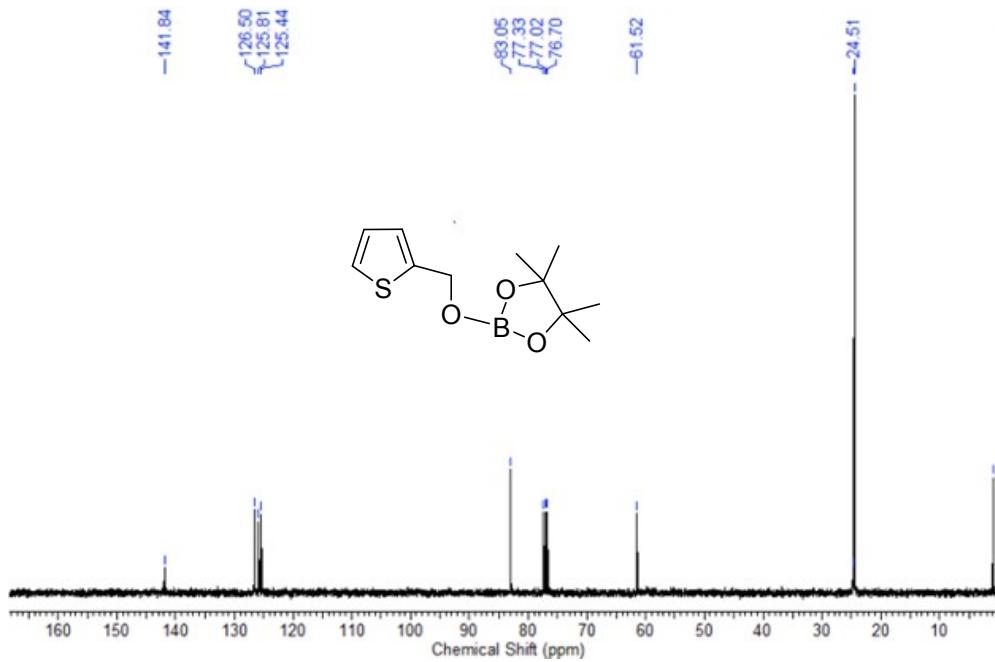
**Figure FS50.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)pyridine.



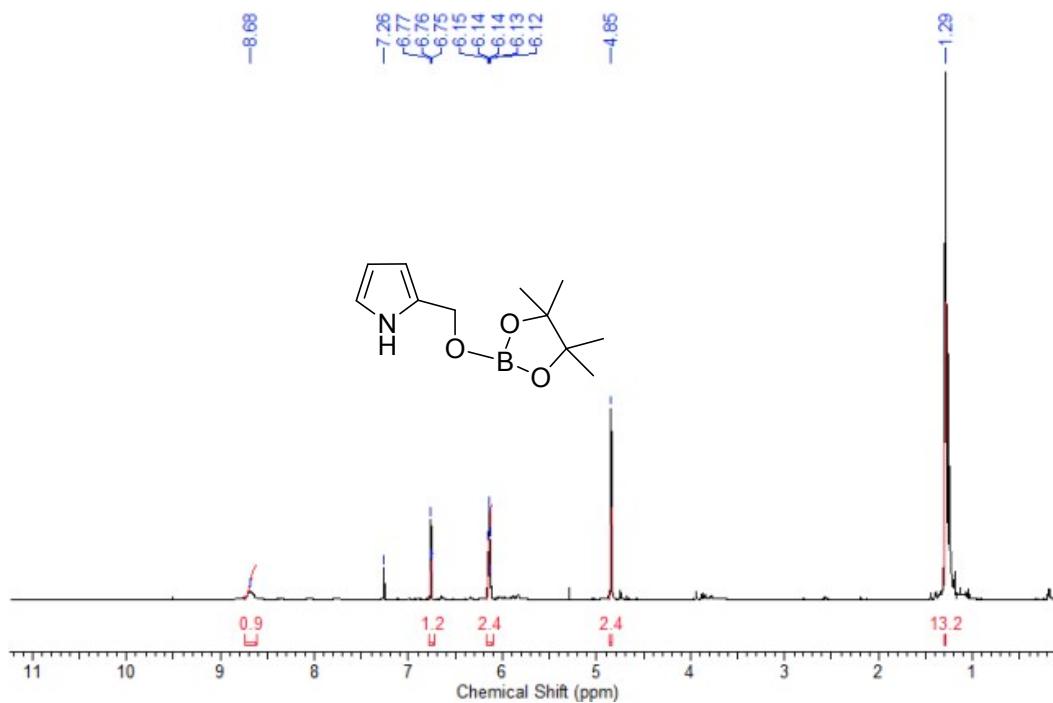
**Figure FS51.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



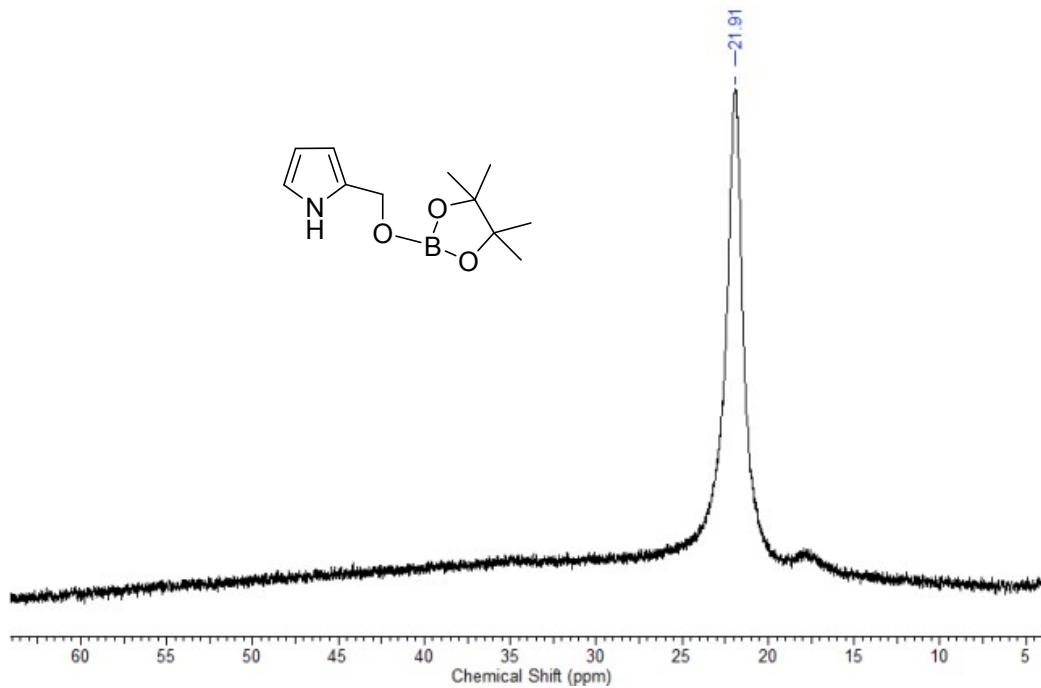
**Figure S52.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



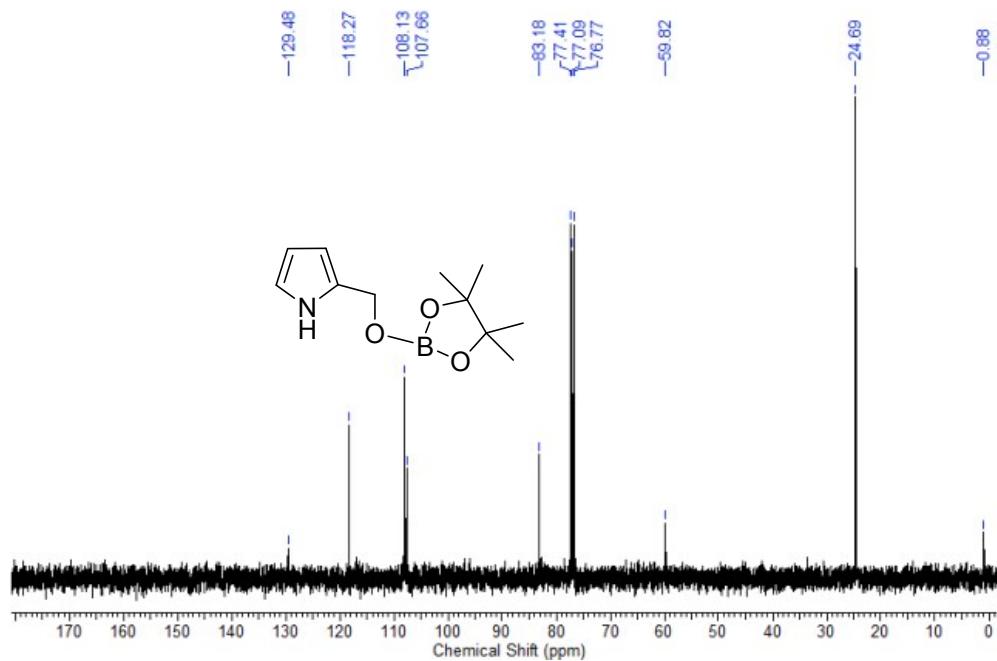
**Figure FS53.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



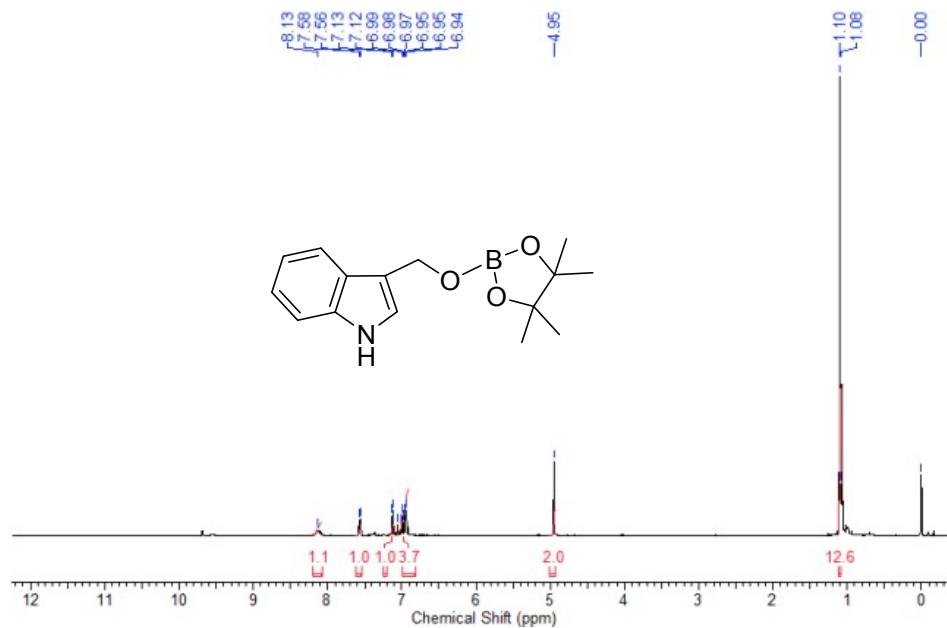
**Figure FS54.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-pyrrole.



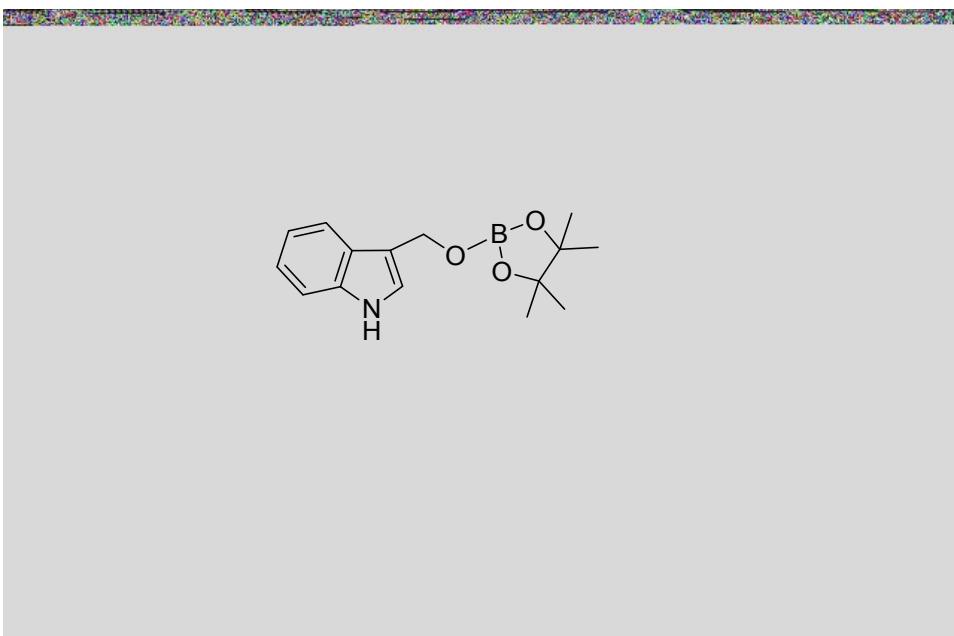
**Figure S55.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-pyrrole.



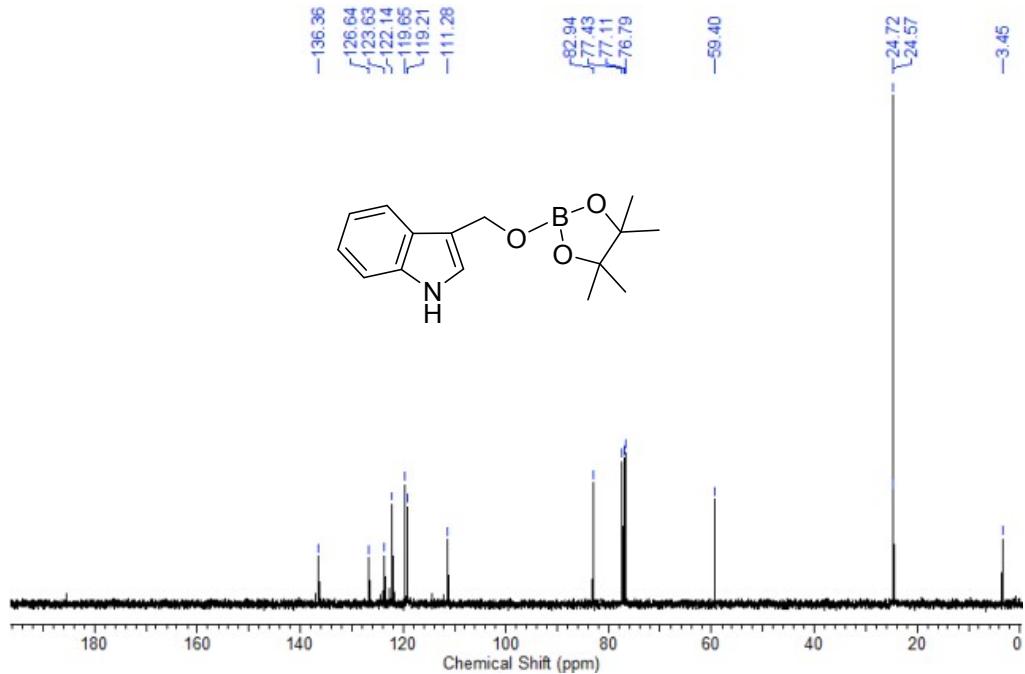
**Figure FS56.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-pyrrole.



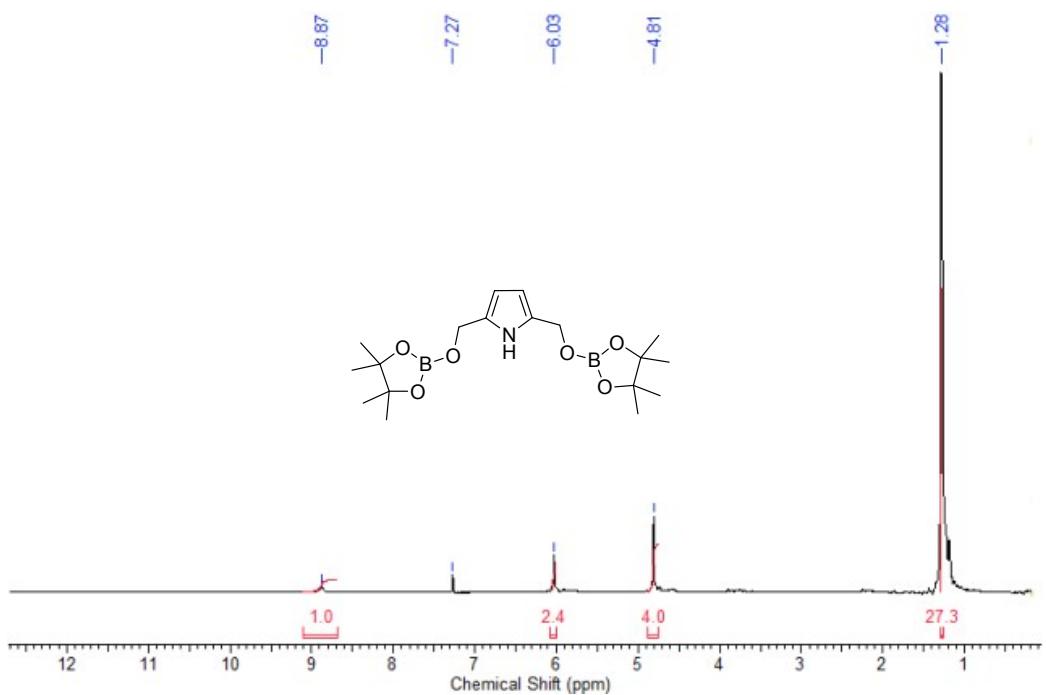
**Figure FS57.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 3-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-indole.



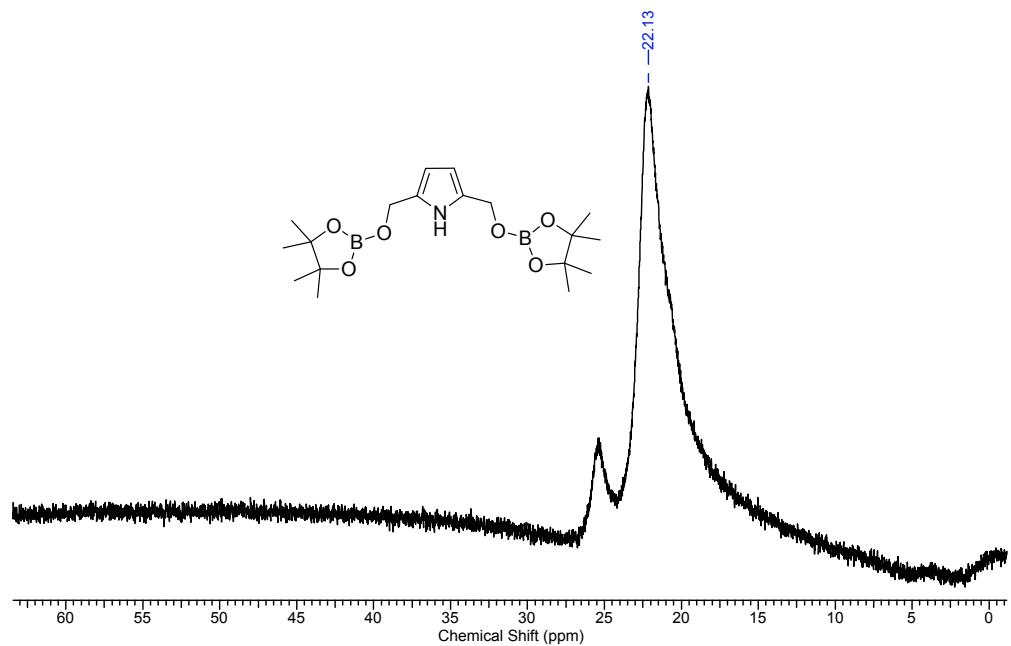
**Figure S58.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 3-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-indole.



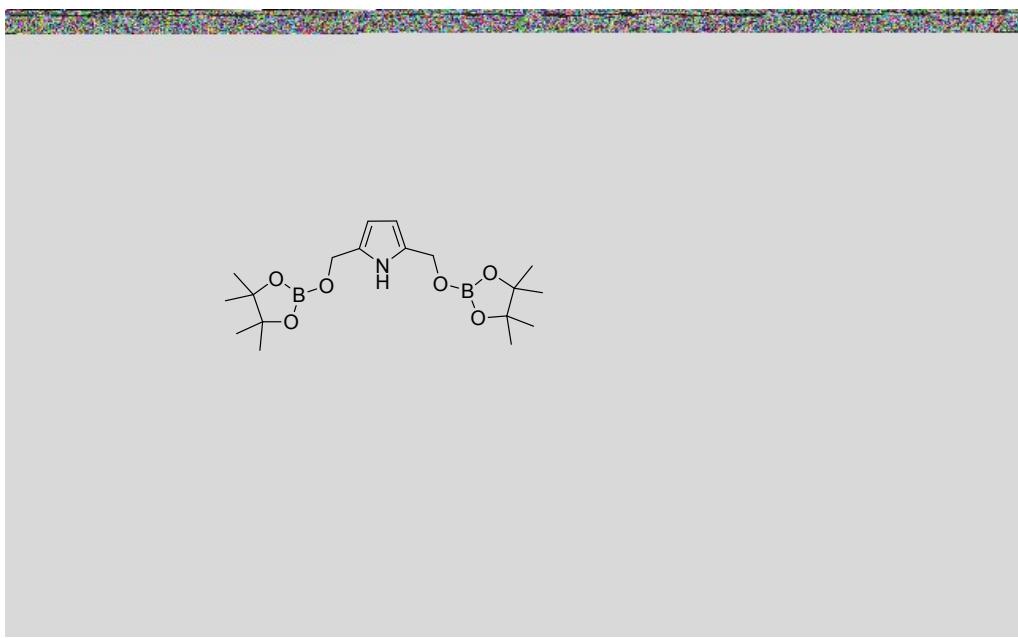
**Figure FS59.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 3-(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-indole.



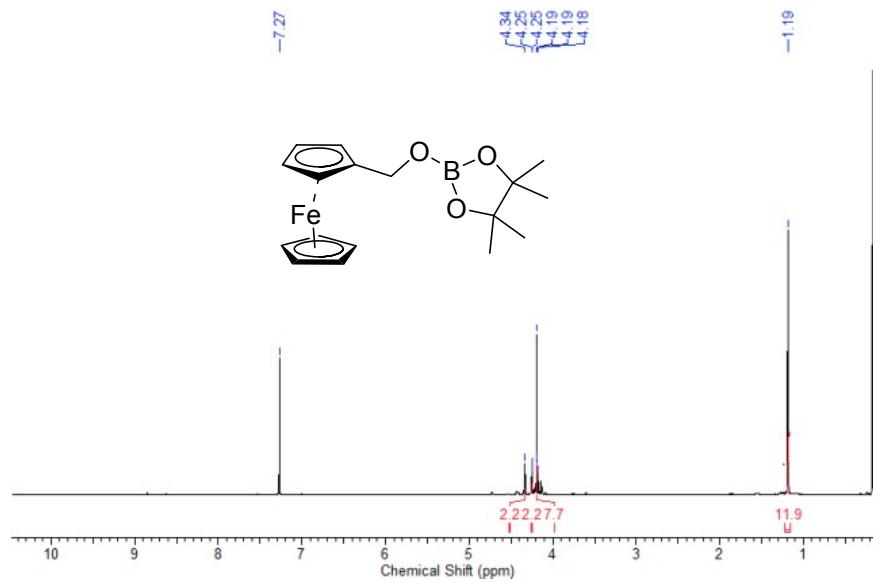
**Figure FS60.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2,5-bis(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-pyrrole.



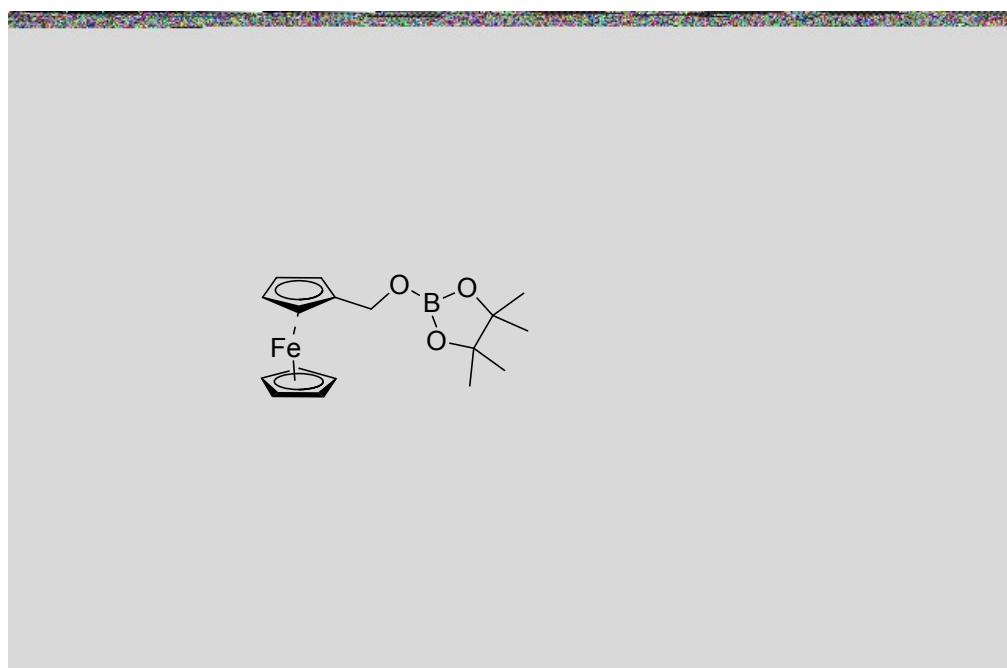
**Figure S61.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2,5-bis(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-pyrrole.



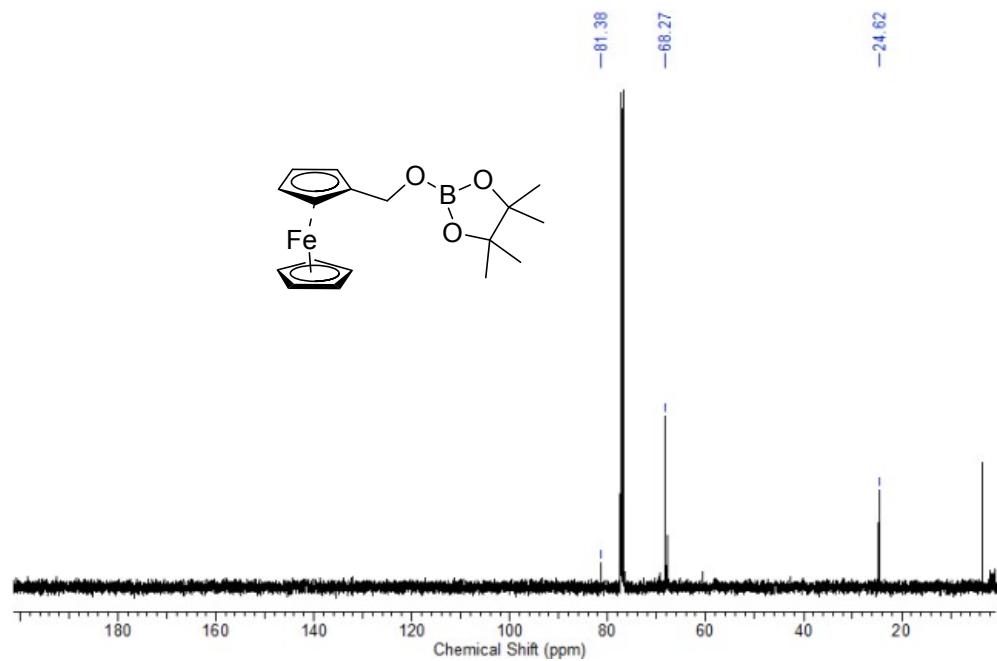
**Figure FS62.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2,5-bis(((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-pyrrole.



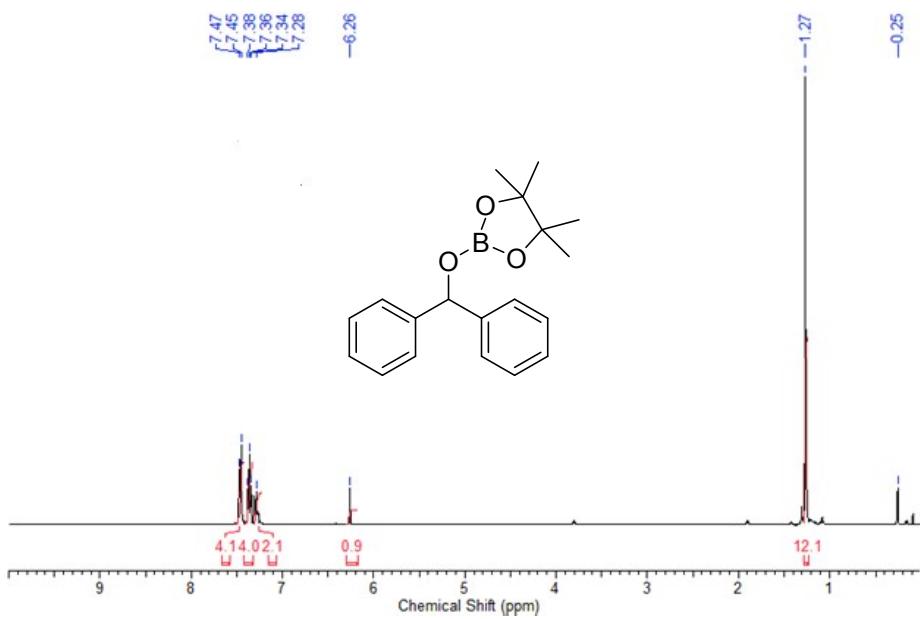
**Figure FS63.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-ferrocenyl-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



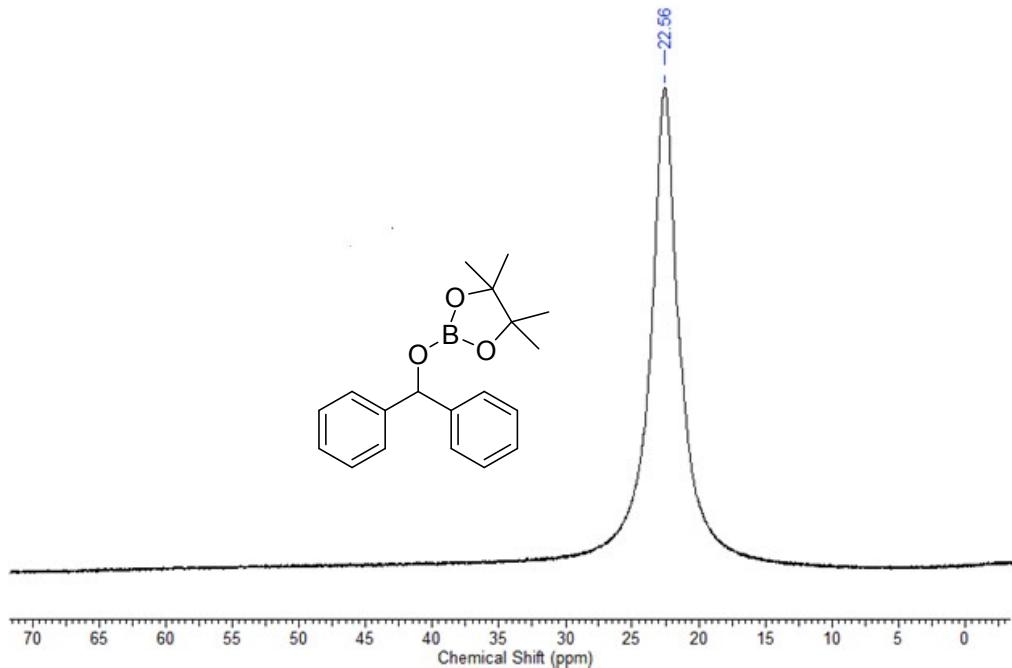
**Figure S64.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-ferrocenyl-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



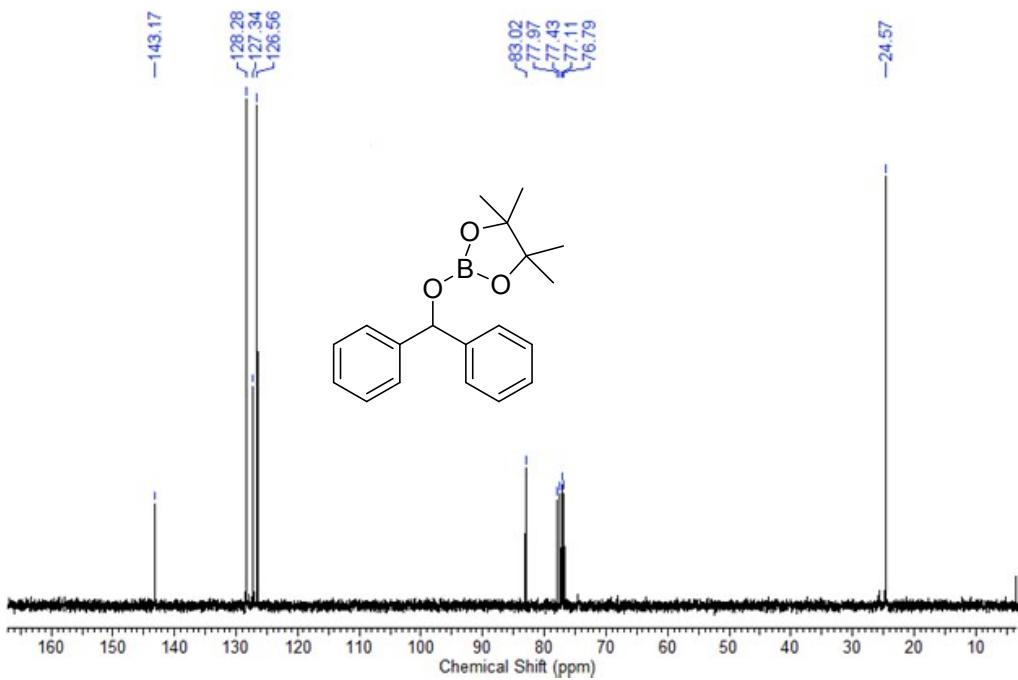
**Figure FS65.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-ferrocenyl-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



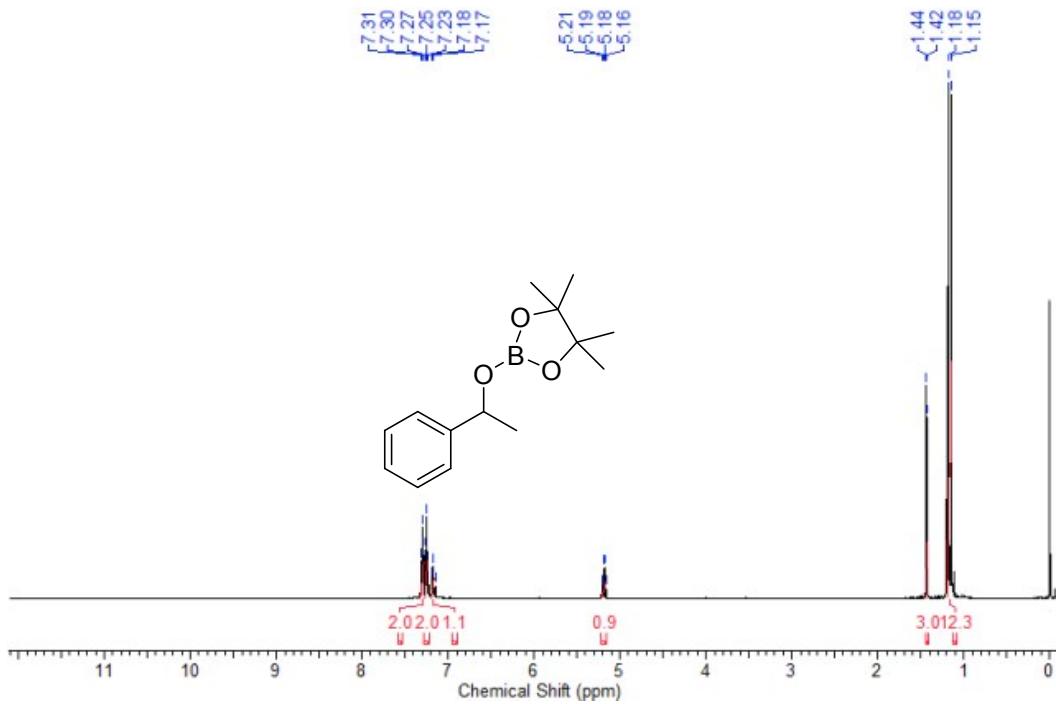
**Figure FS66.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(benzhydryloxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



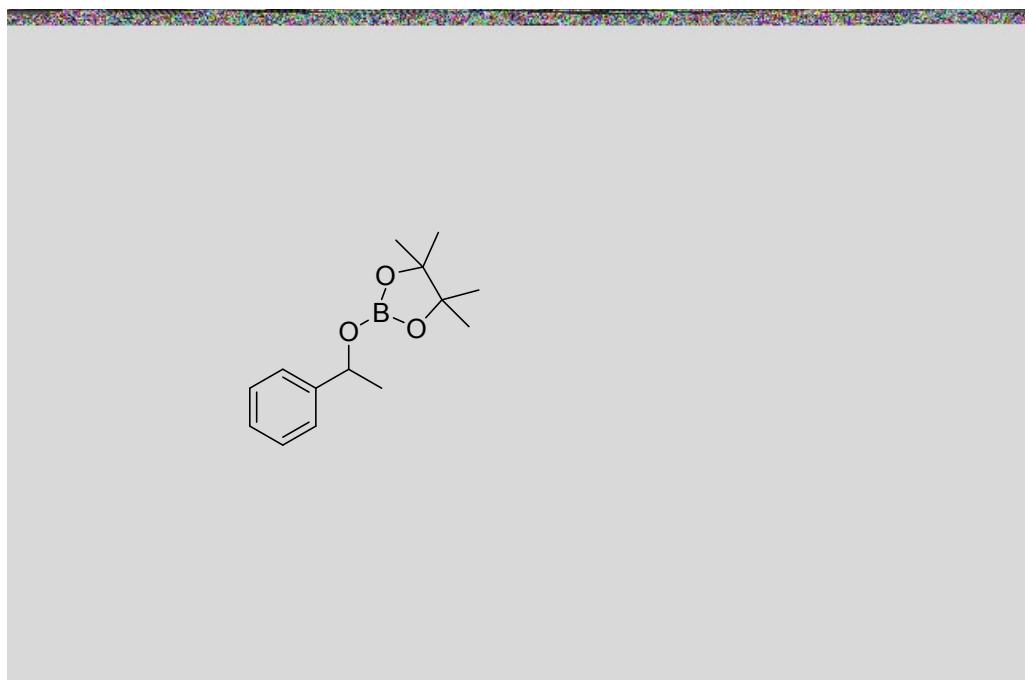
**Figure S67.** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(benzhydryloxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



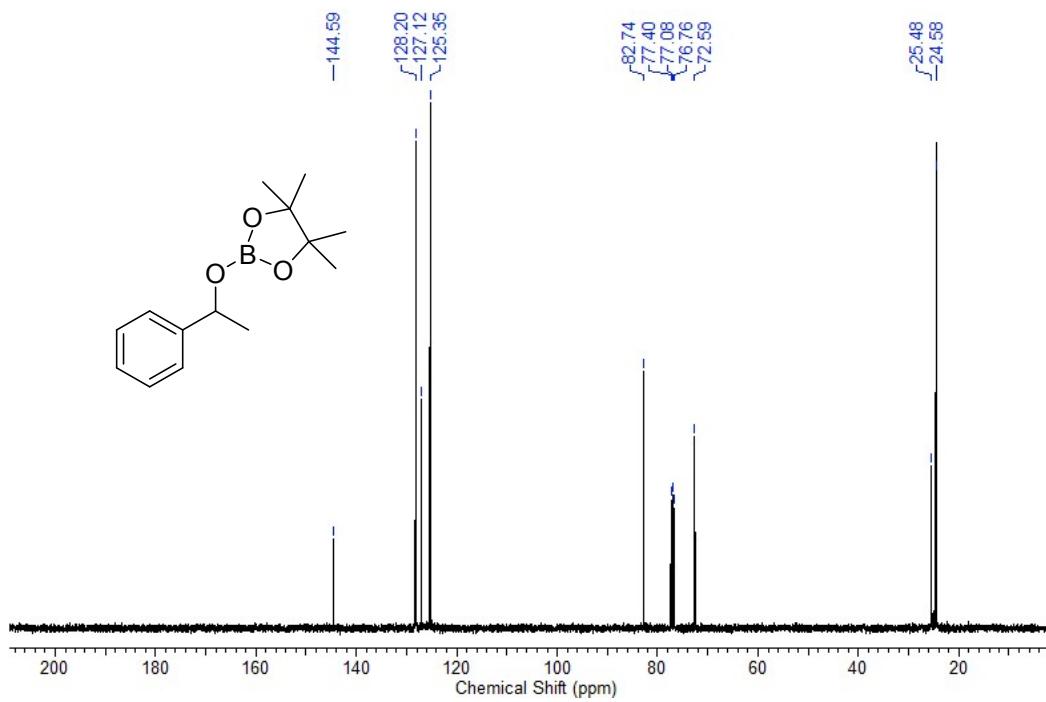
**Figure FS68.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(benzhydryloxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



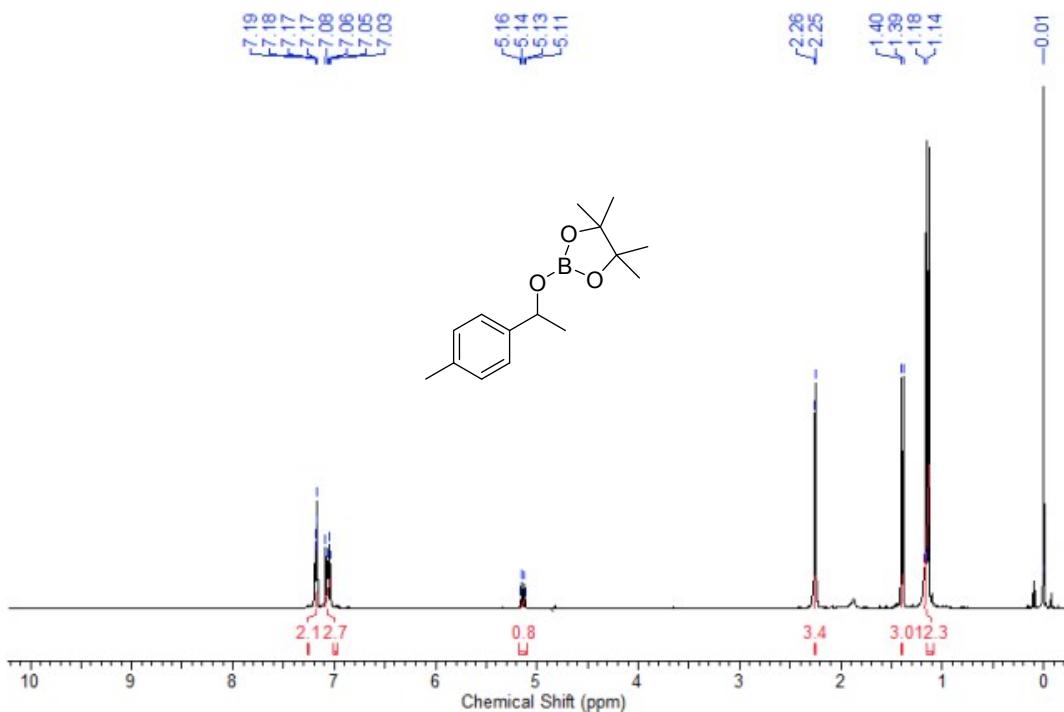
**Figure FS69.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



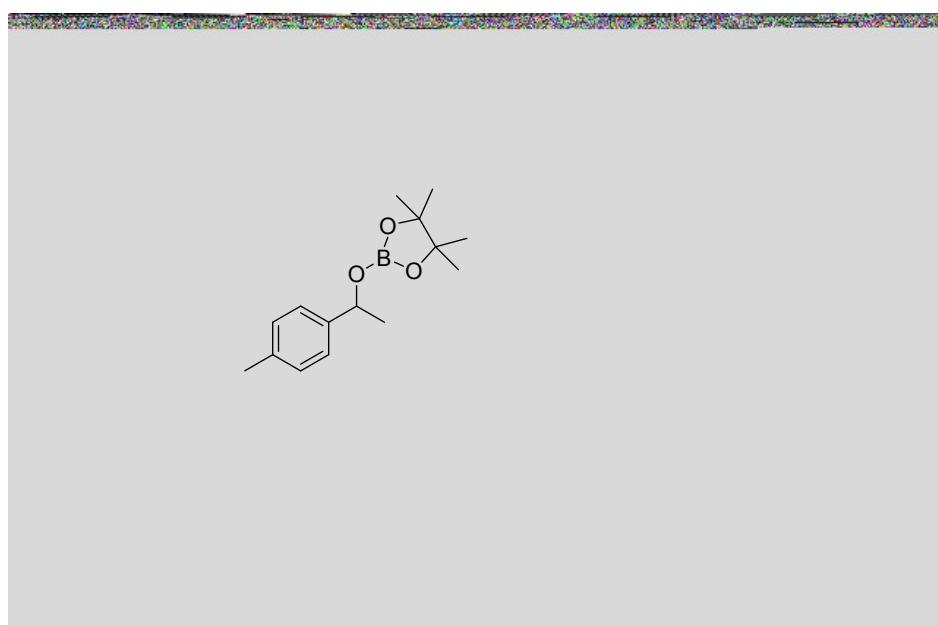
**Figure S70.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



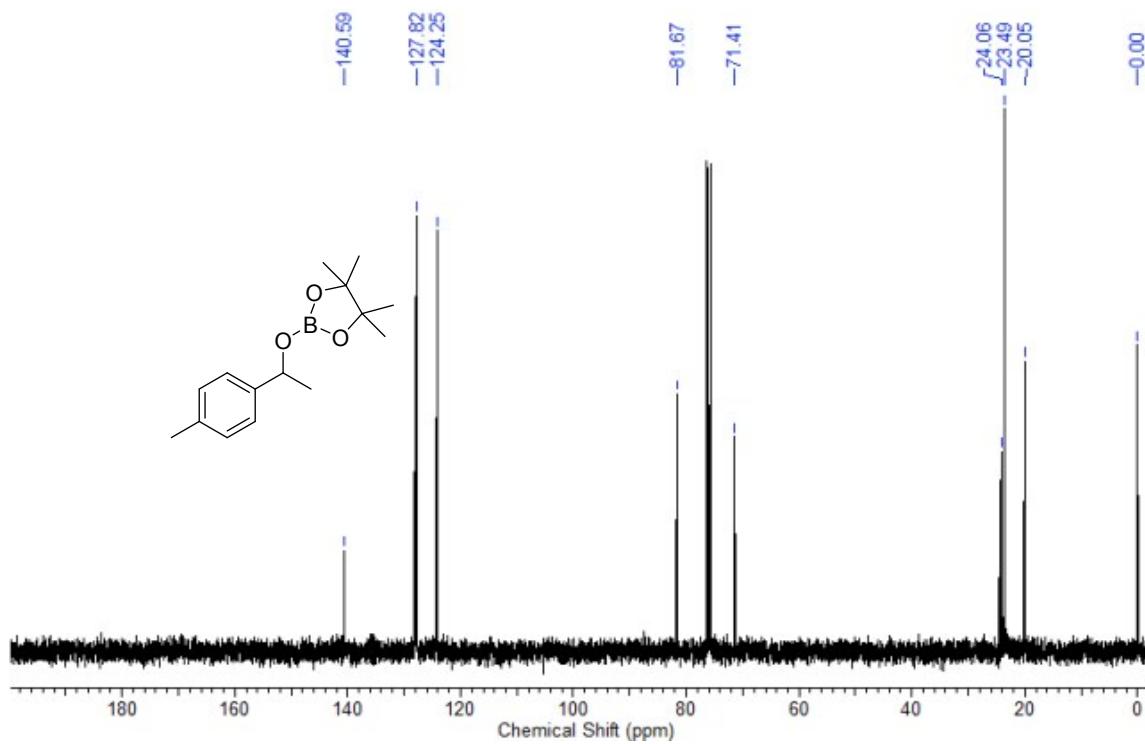
**Figure FS71.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



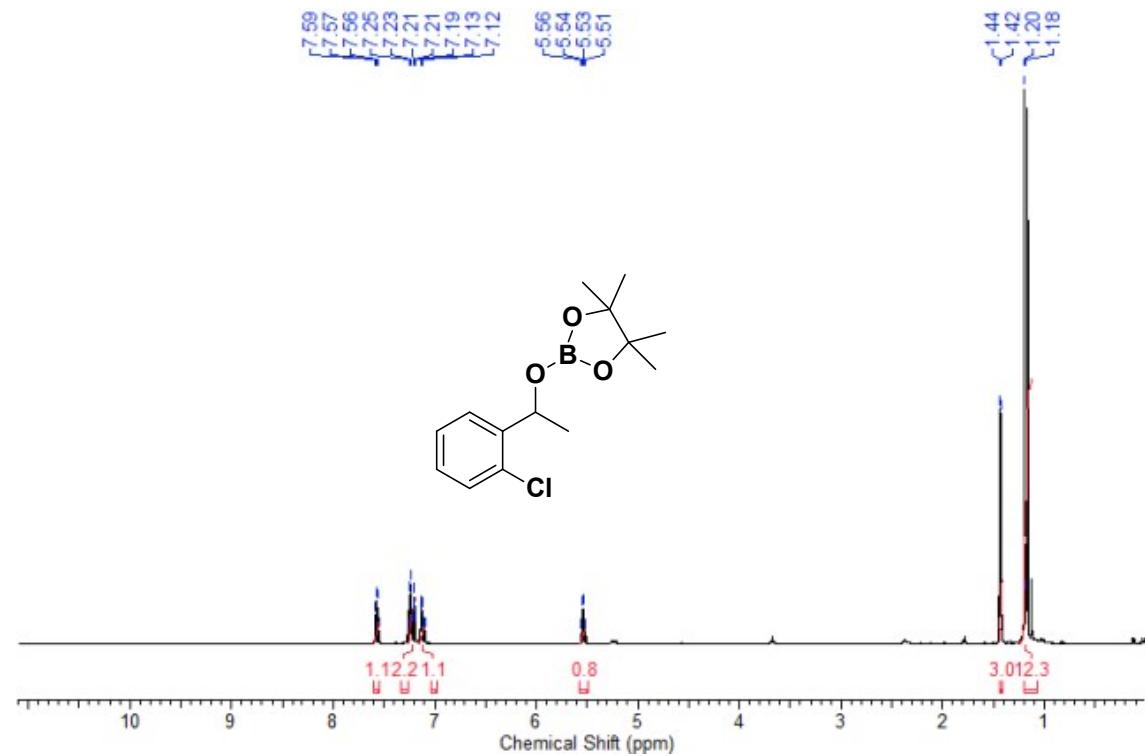
**Figure FS72.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-(p-tolyl)ethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



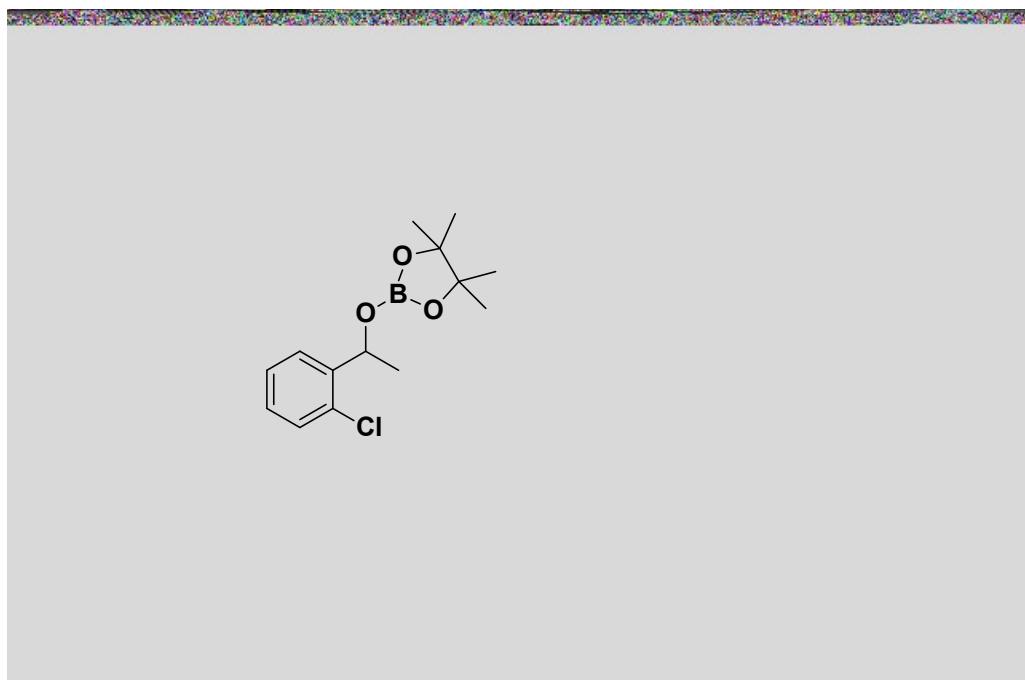
**Figure S73.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-(p-tolyl)ethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



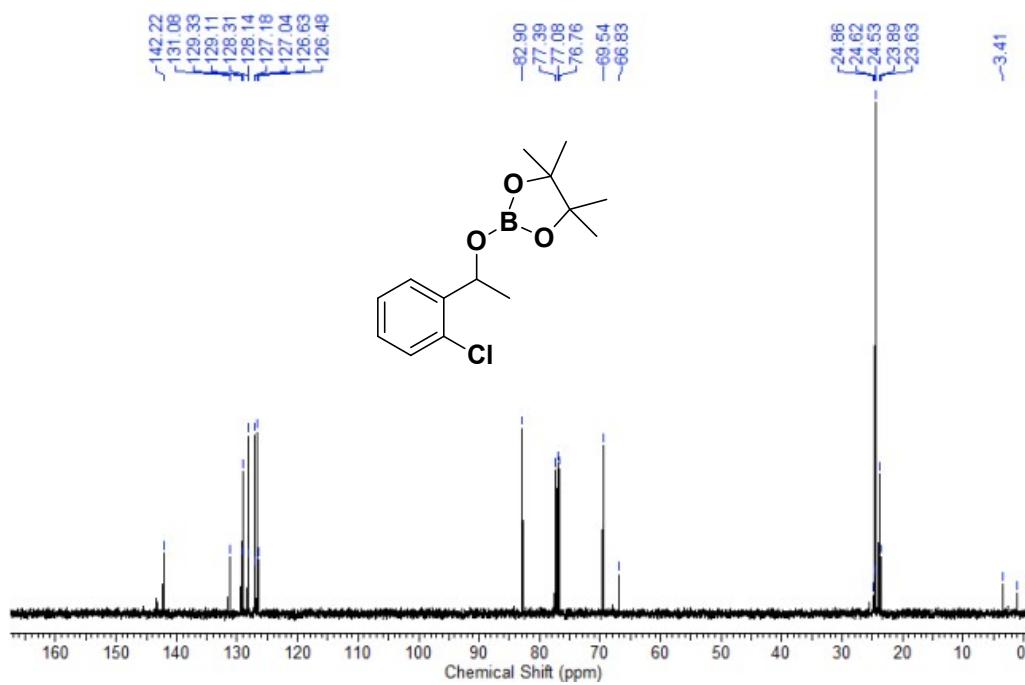
**Figure FS74.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(1-(p-tolyl)ethoxy)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



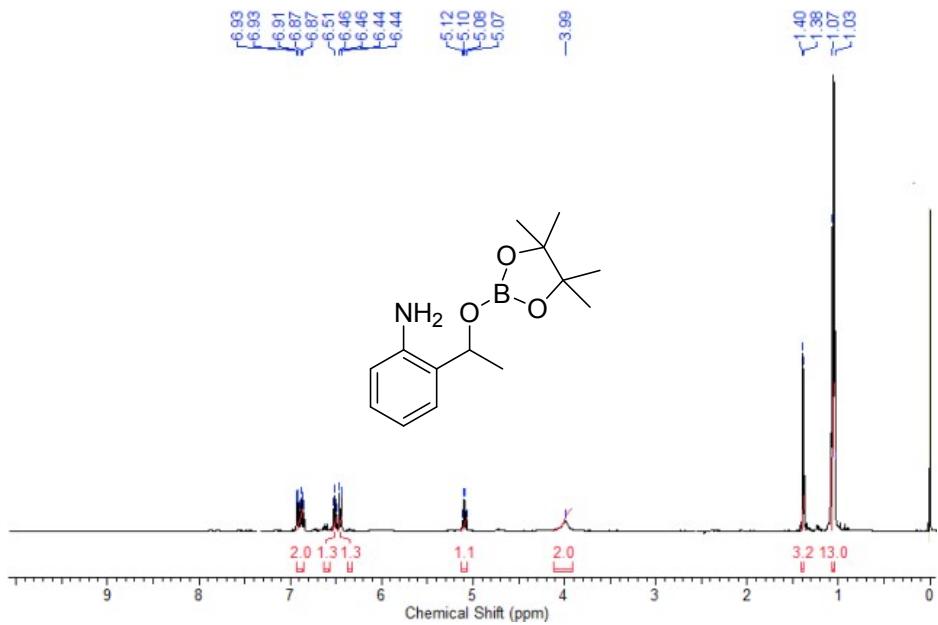
**Figure FS75.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1-(2-chlorophenyl)ethoxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



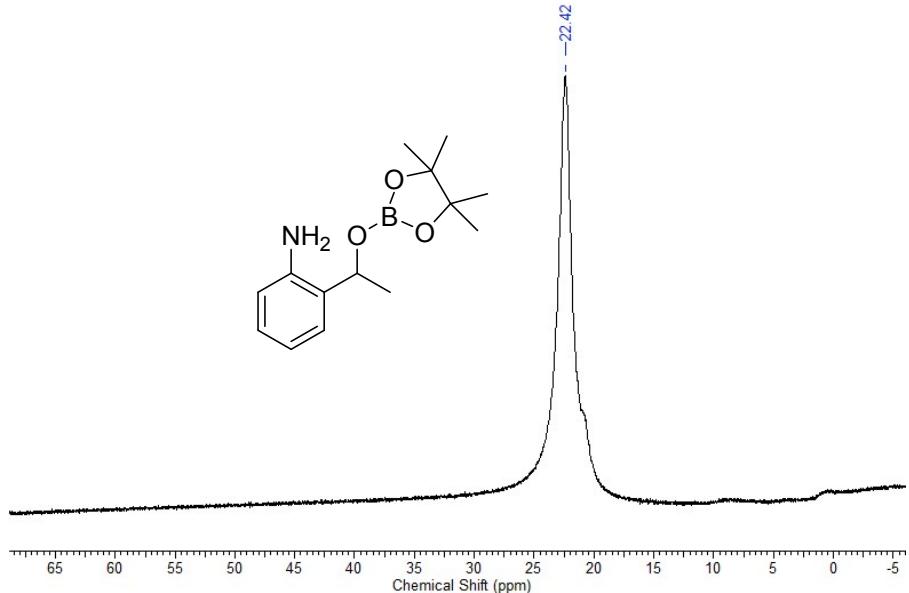
**Figure S76.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1-(2-chlorophenyl)ethoxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



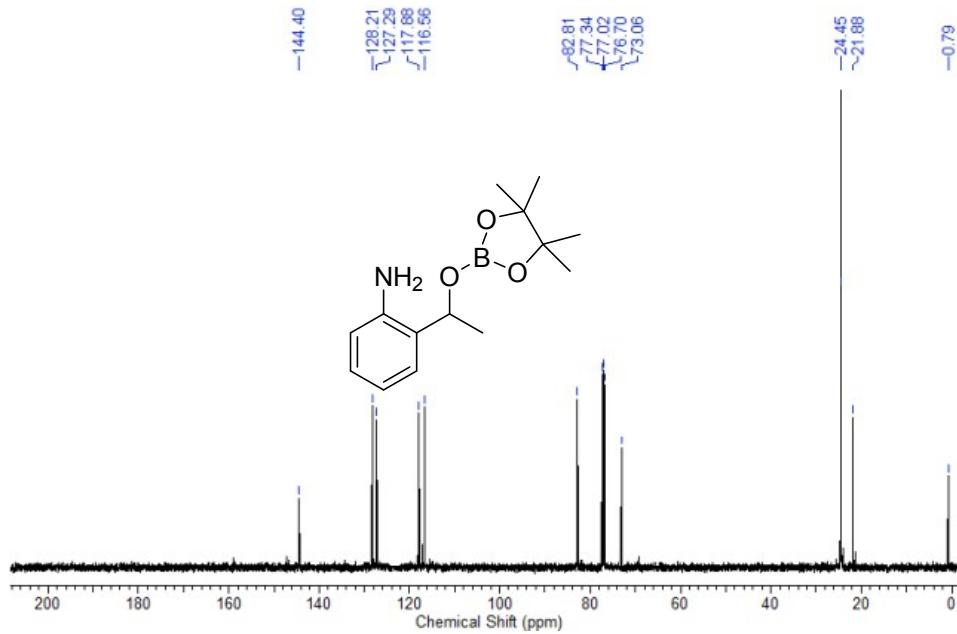
**Figure FS77.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1-(2-chlorophenyl)ethoxy)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane.



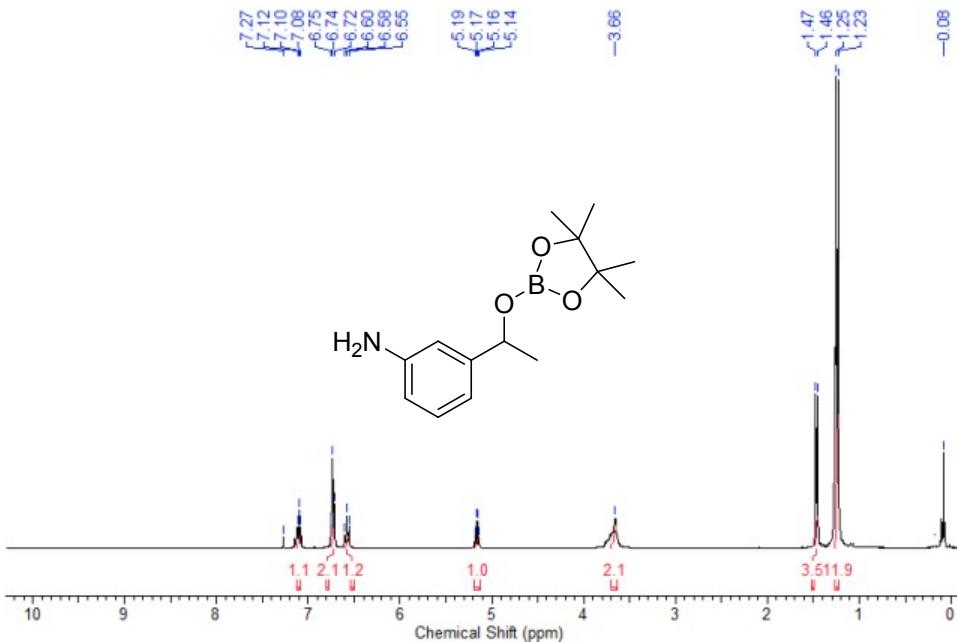
**Figure FS78.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)aniline.



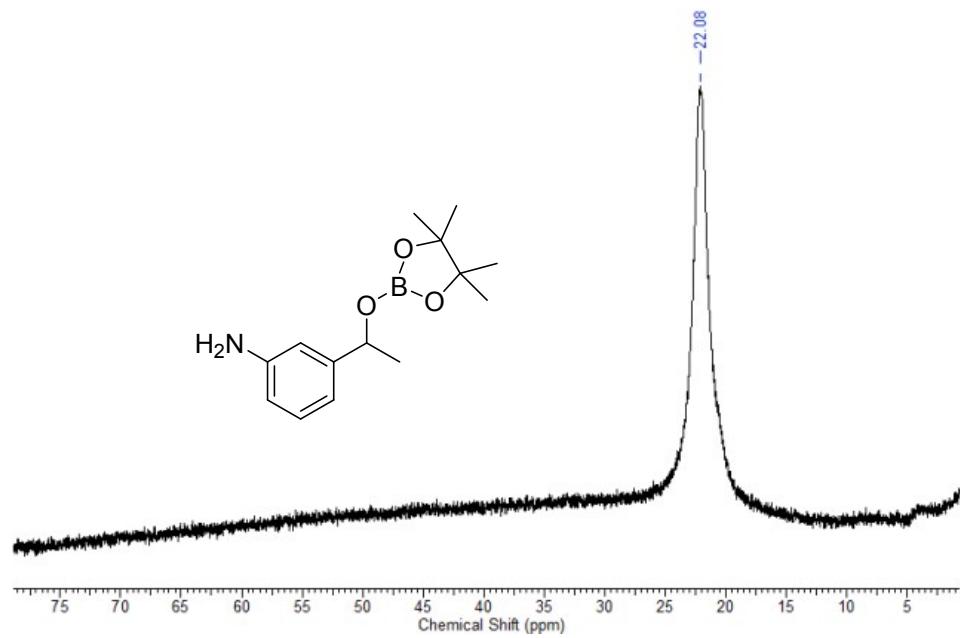
**Figure S79.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)aniline.



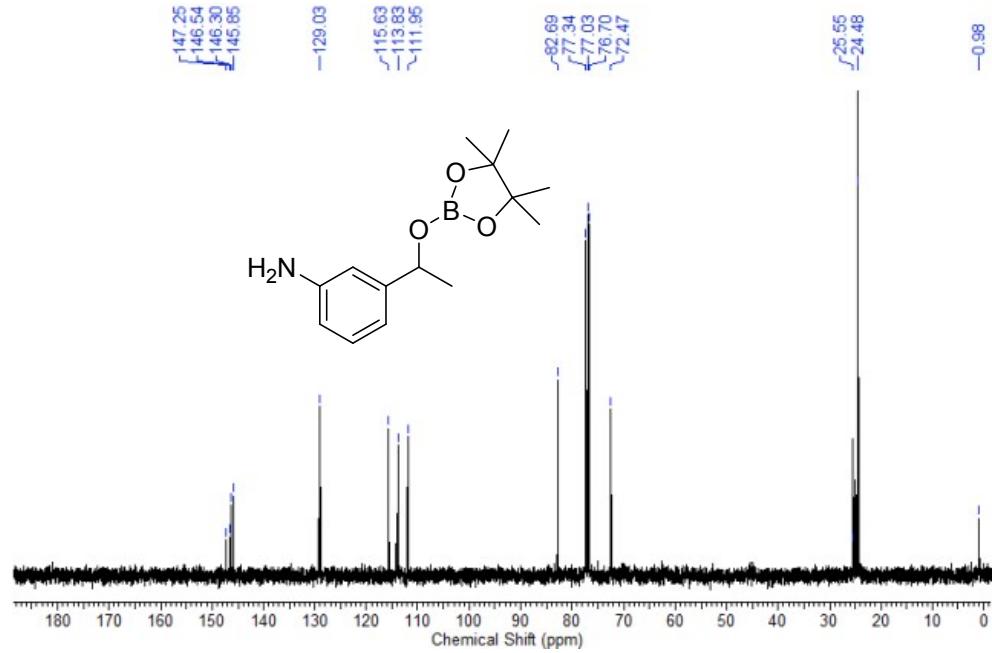
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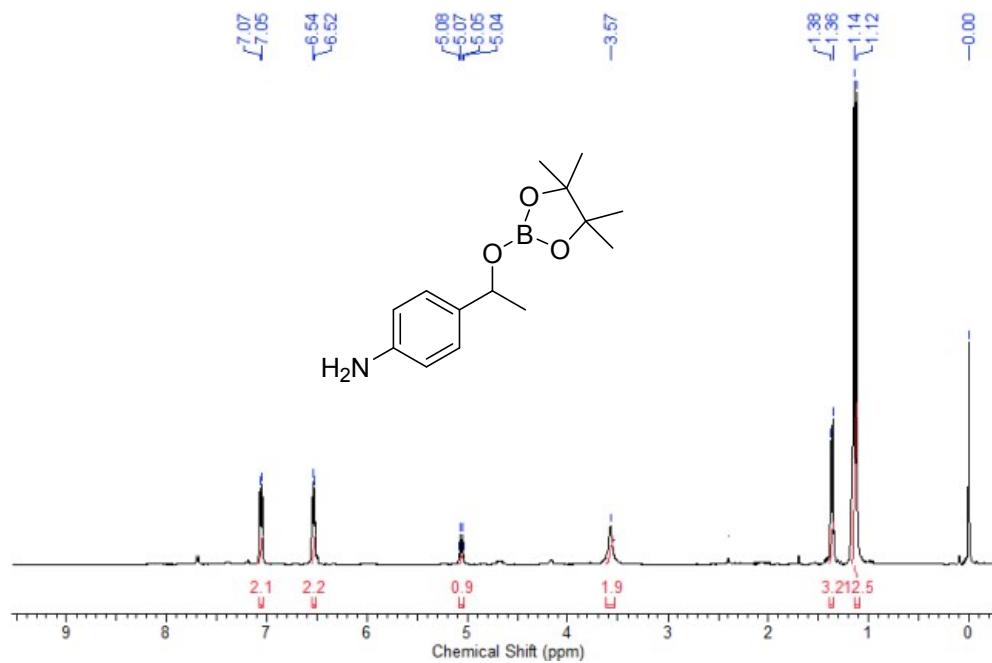
**Figure FS81.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 3-(1-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)aniline.



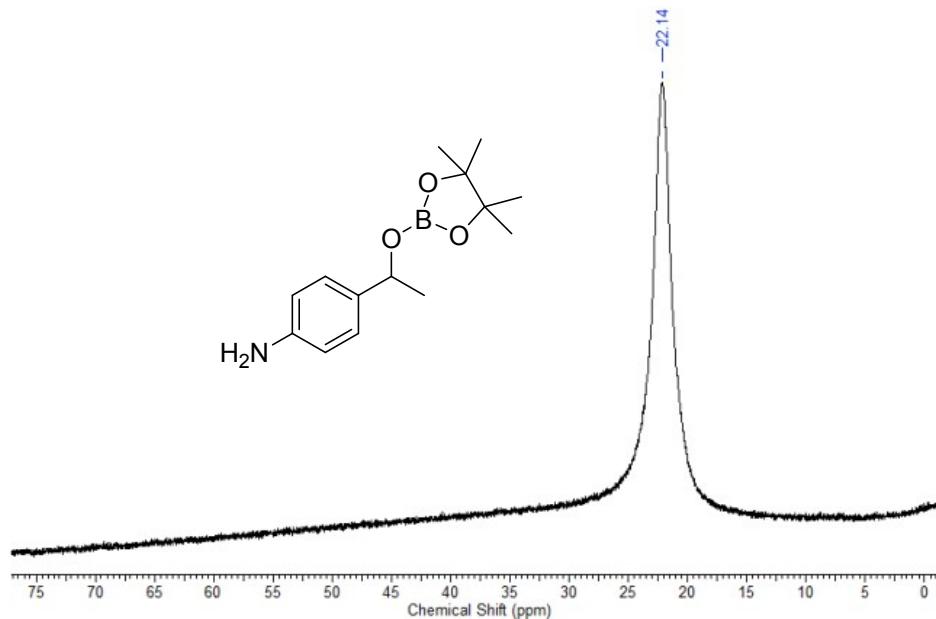
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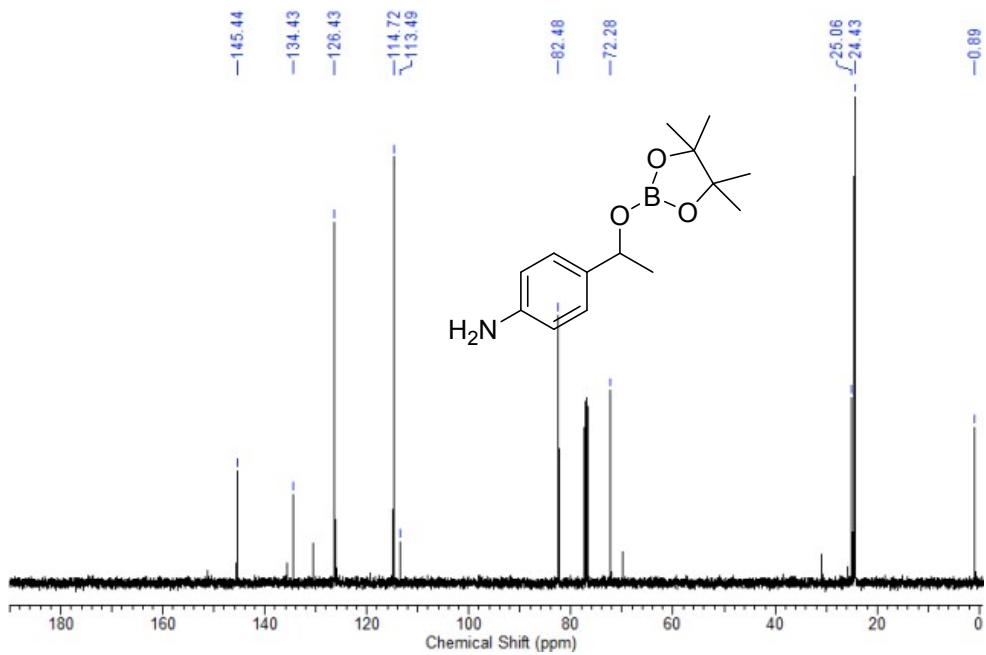
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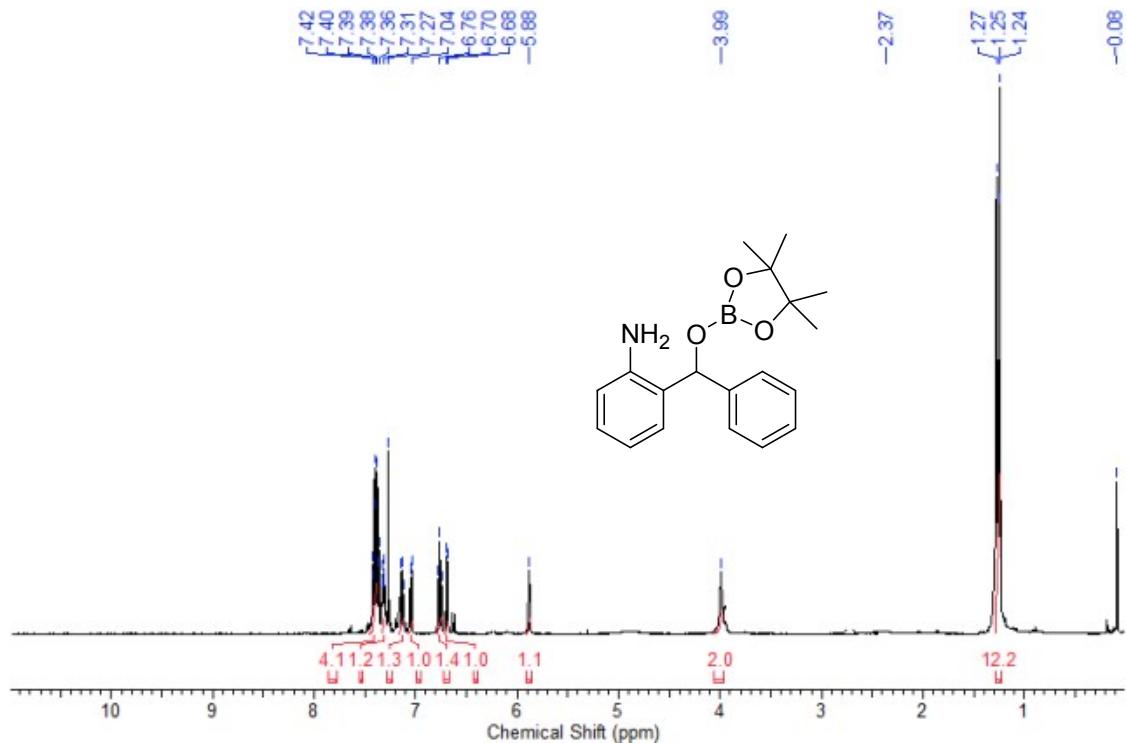
**Figure FS84.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(1-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)aniline.



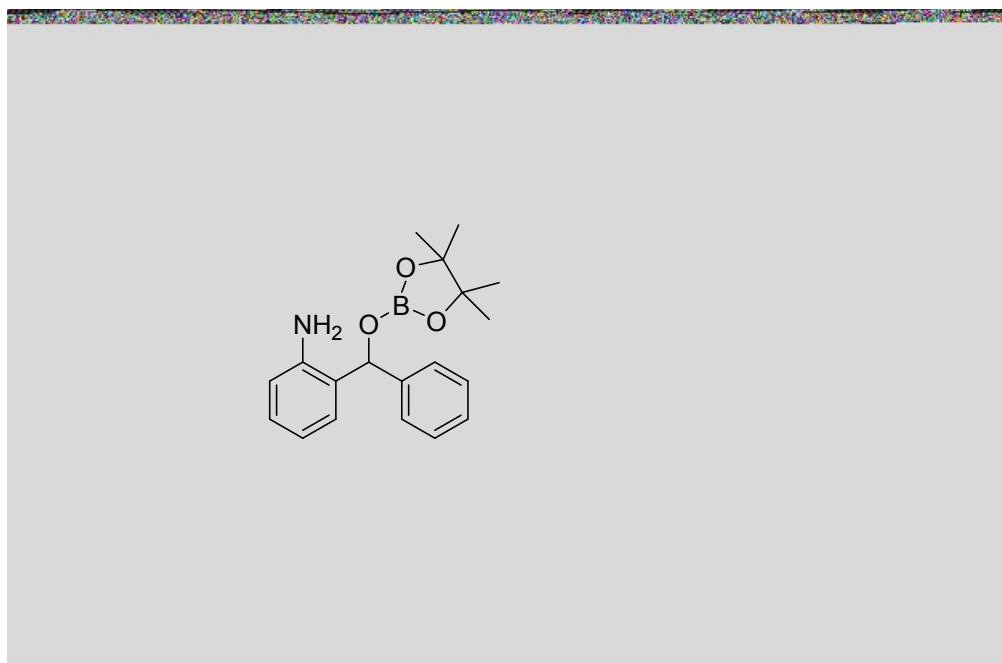
**Figure S85.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(1-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)aniline.



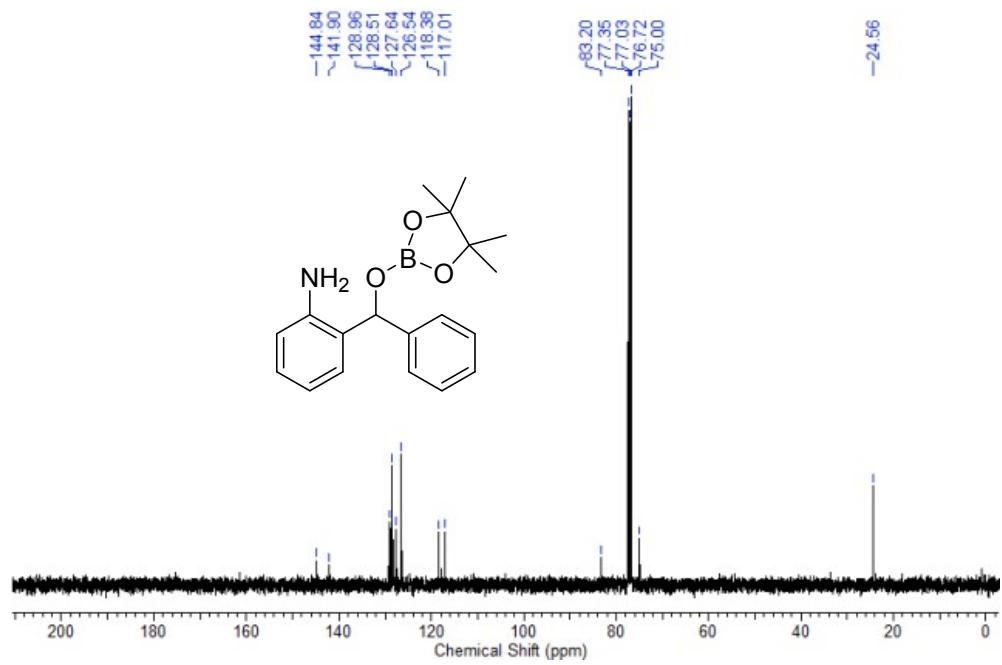
**Figure FS86.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 4-(1-((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)aniline.



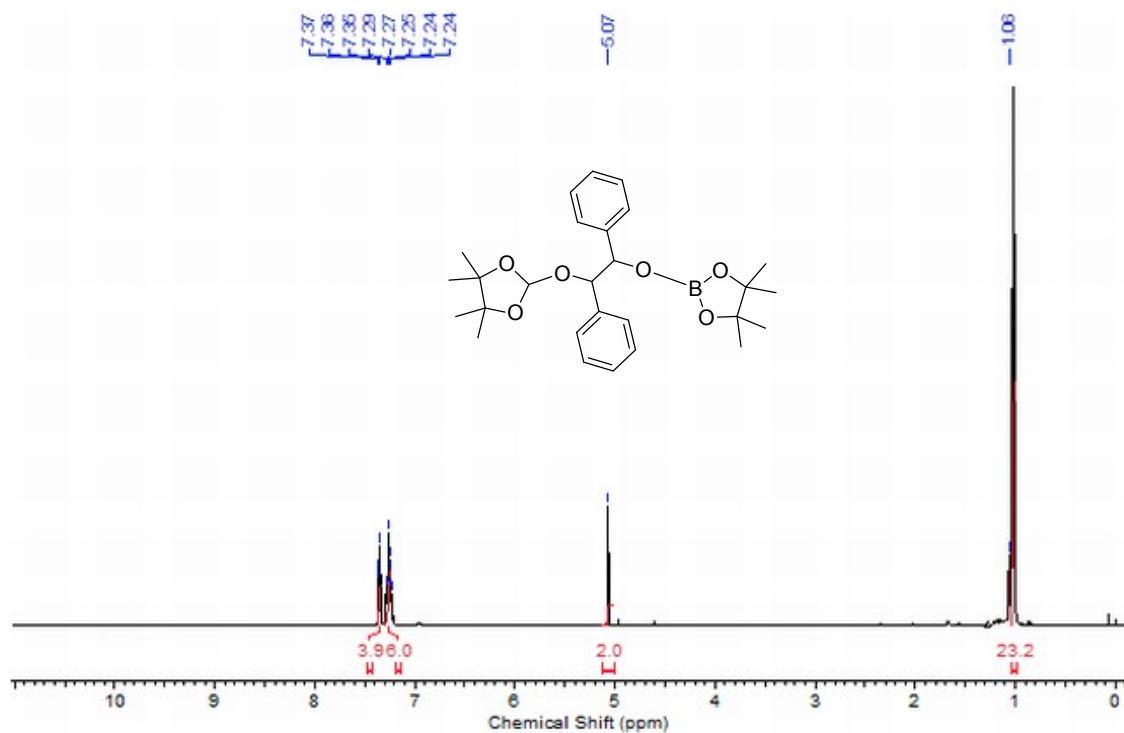
**Figure FS87.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(phenyl((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)aniline.



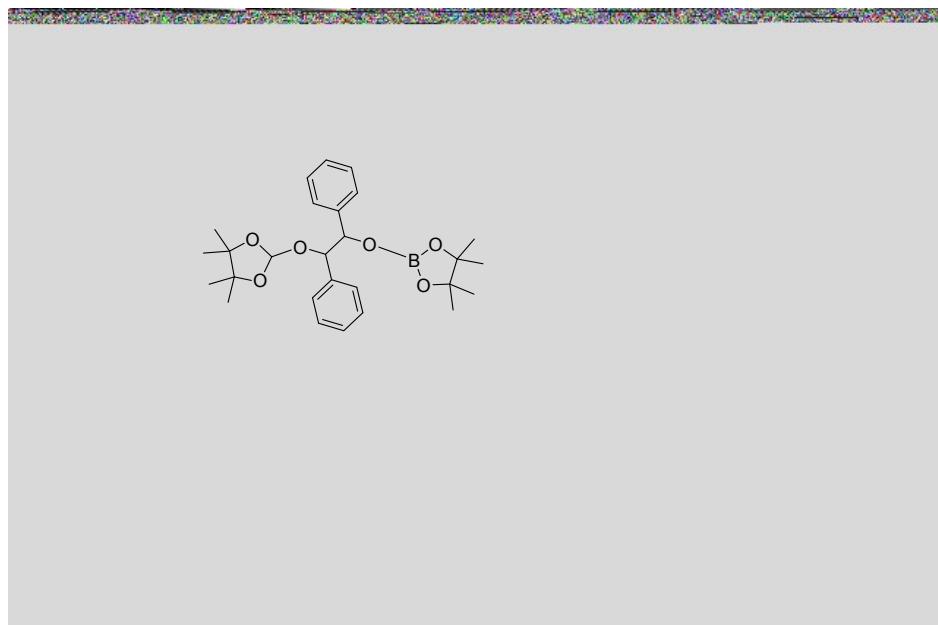
**Figure S88.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(phenyl((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)aniline.



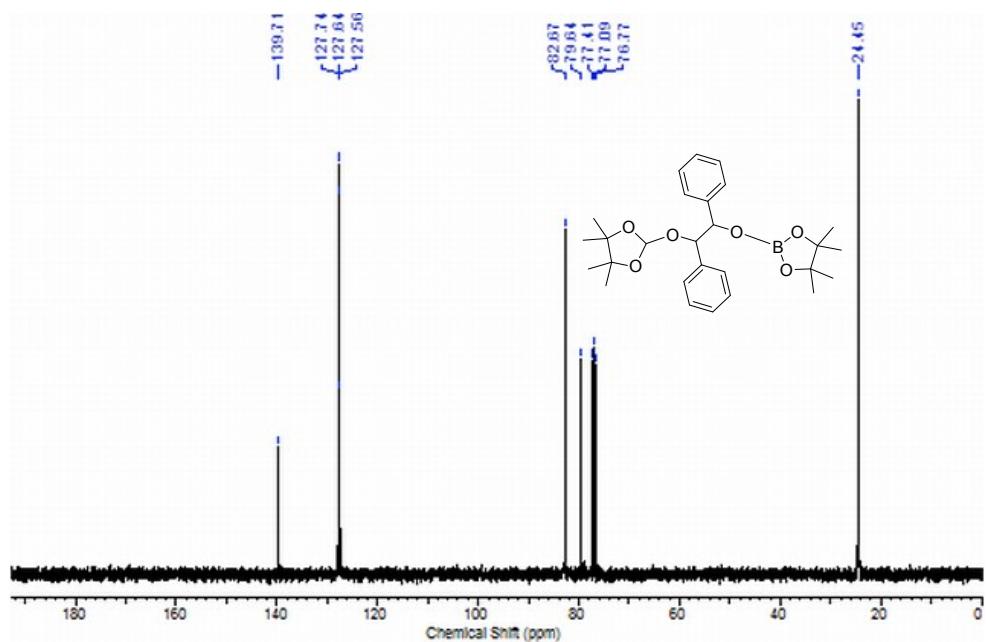
**Figure FS89.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(phenyl((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)methyl)aniline.



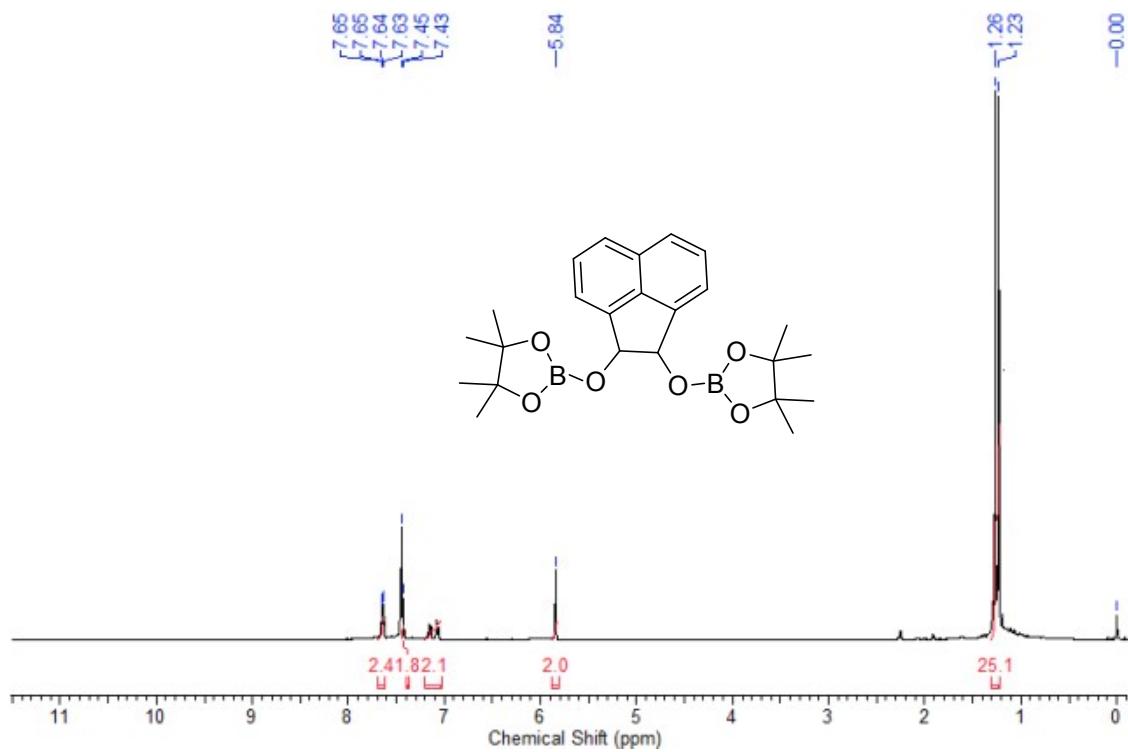
**Figure FS90.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 1,2-bis((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylene.



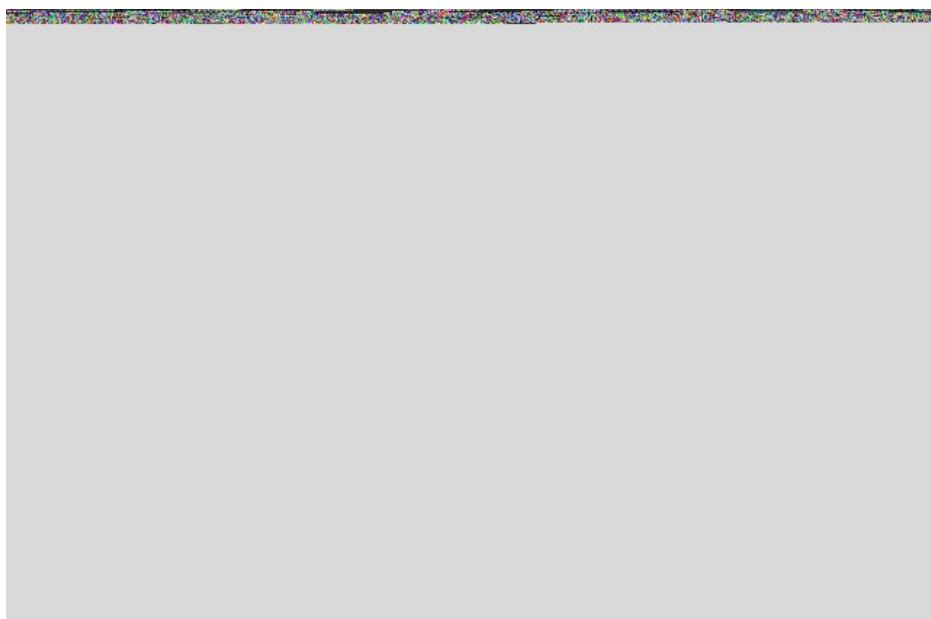
**Figure S91.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 1,2-bis((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylene.



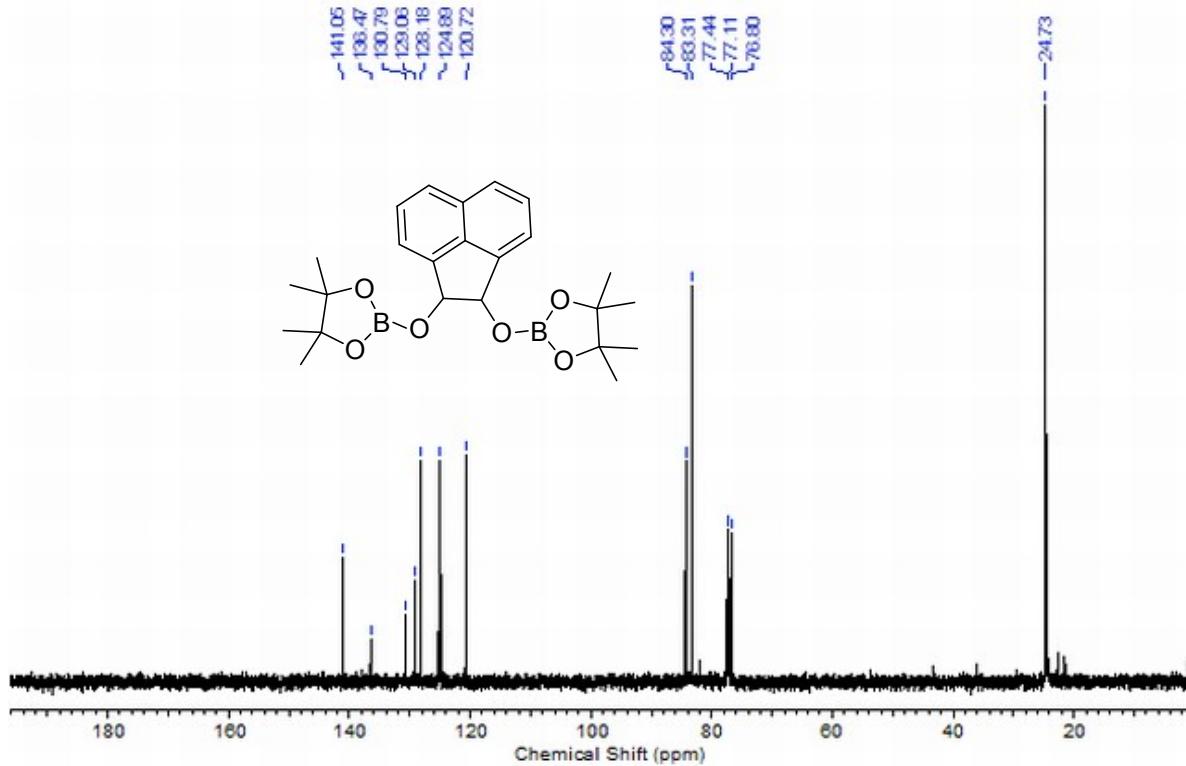
**Figure FS92.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 1,2-bis((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylene.



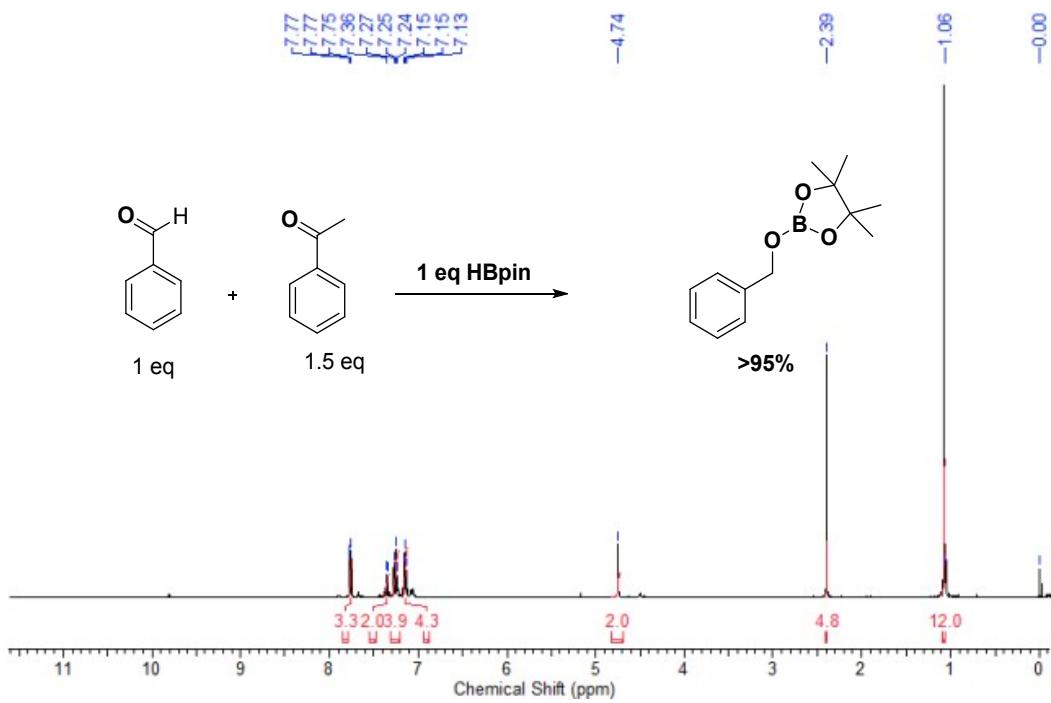
**Figure FS93.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 1,2-bis((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylene.



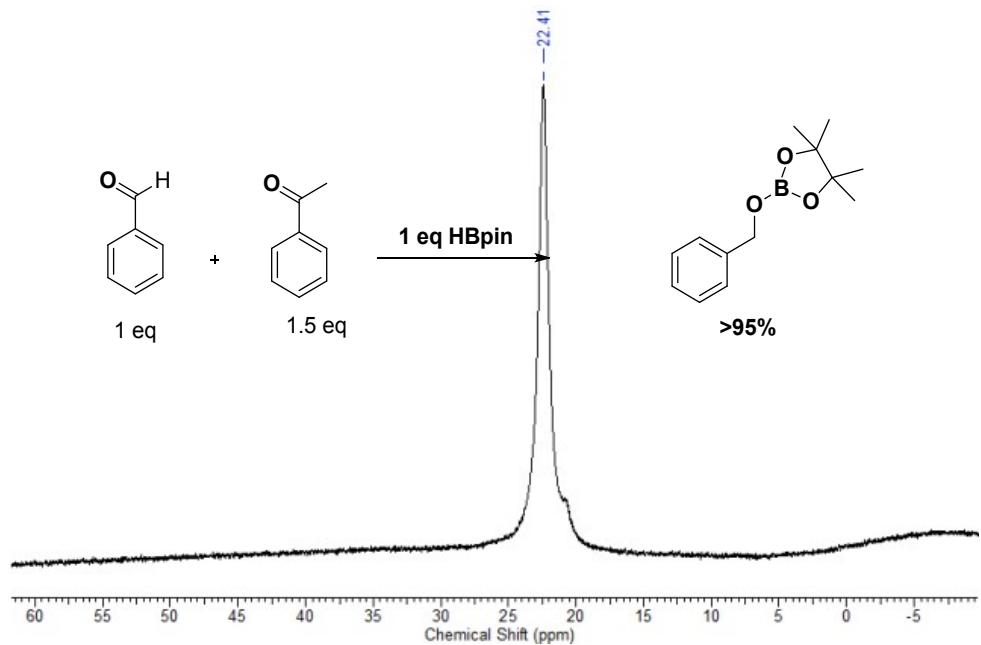
**Figure S94.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 1,2-bis((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylene.



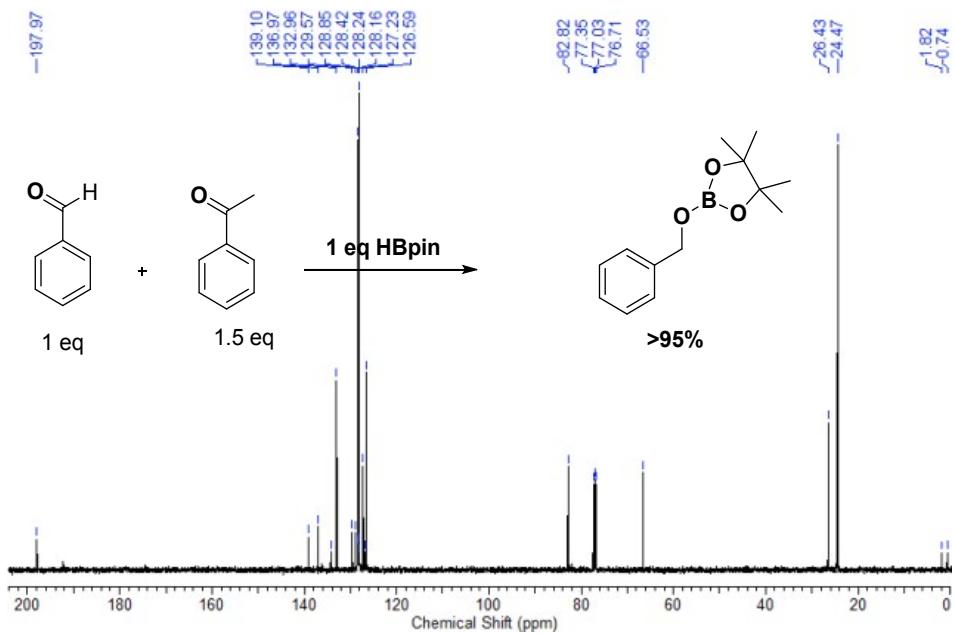
**Figure FS95.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 1,2-bis((4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)oxy)-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylene.



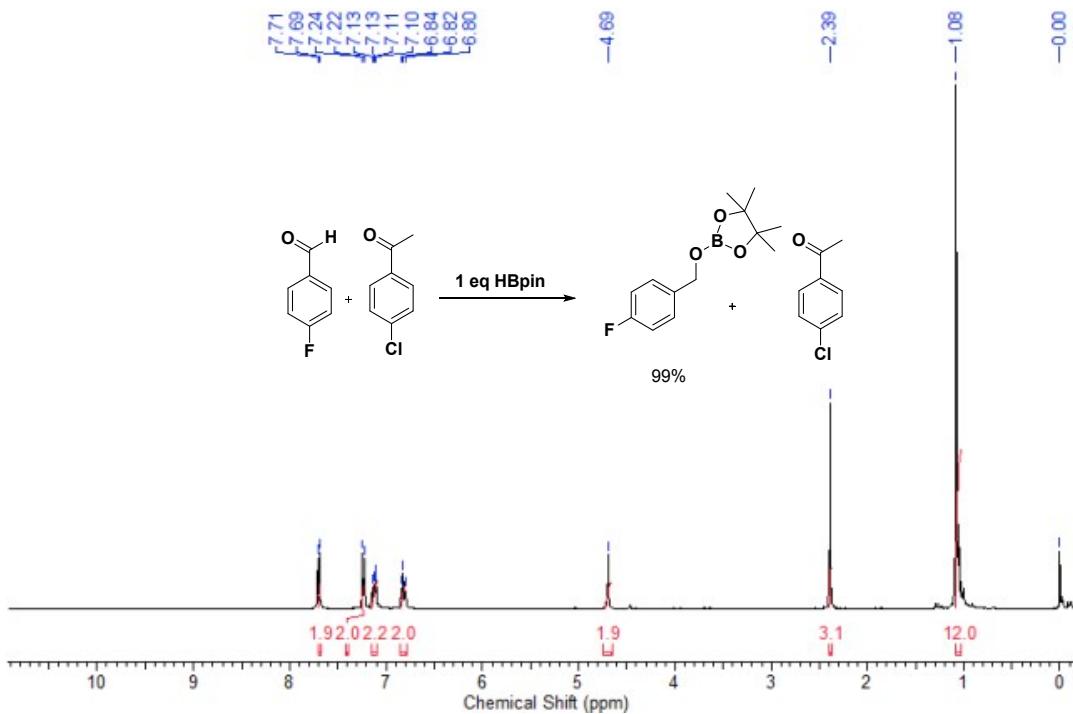
**Figure FS96.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



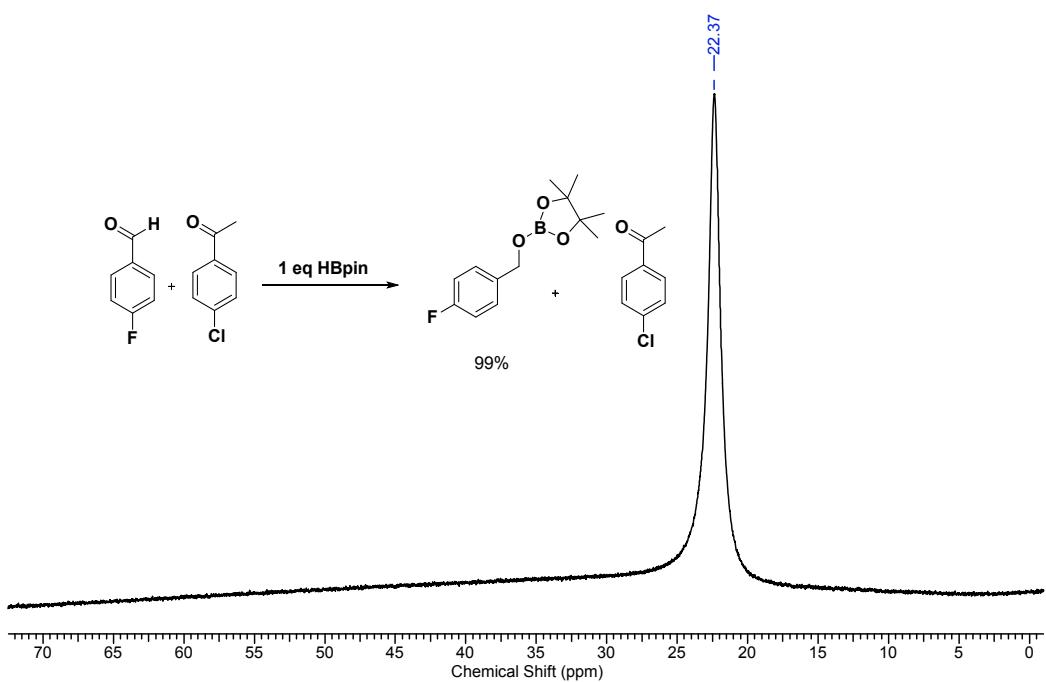
**Figure FS97.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of Chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



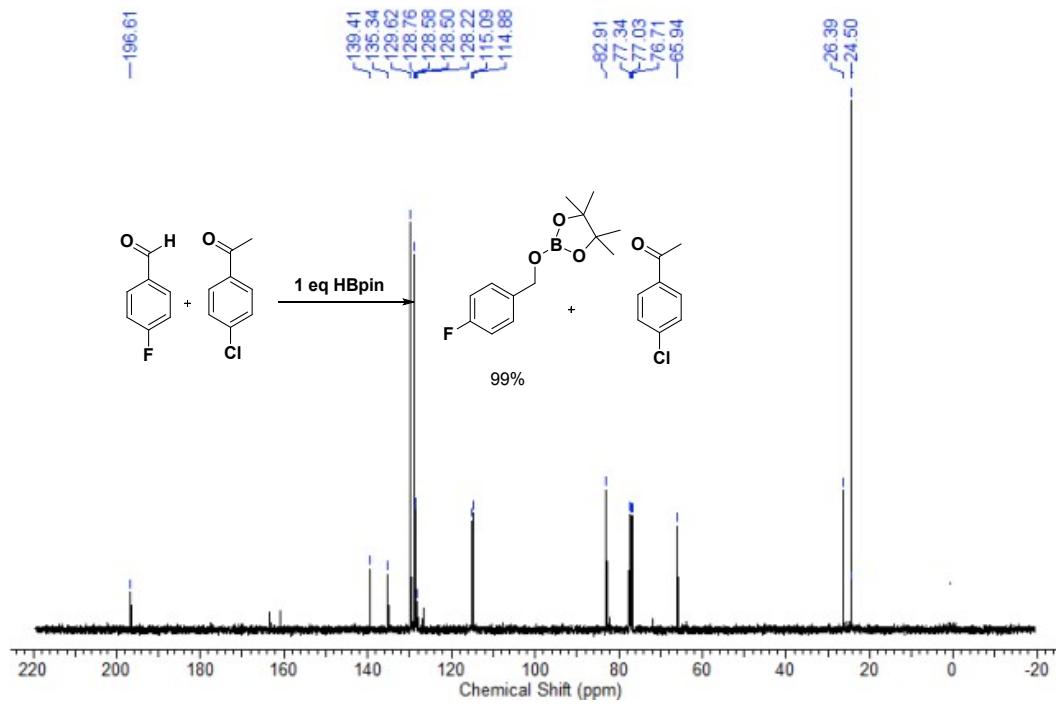
**Figure FS98.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) Chemo selective reduction of aldehyde.



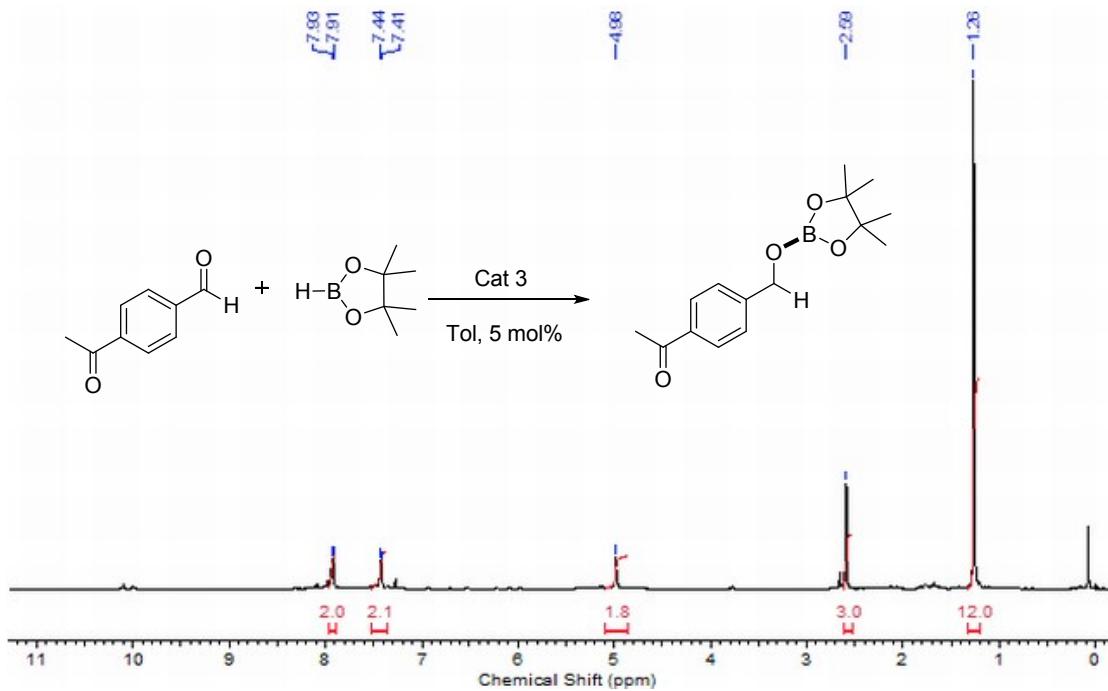
**Figure FS99.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



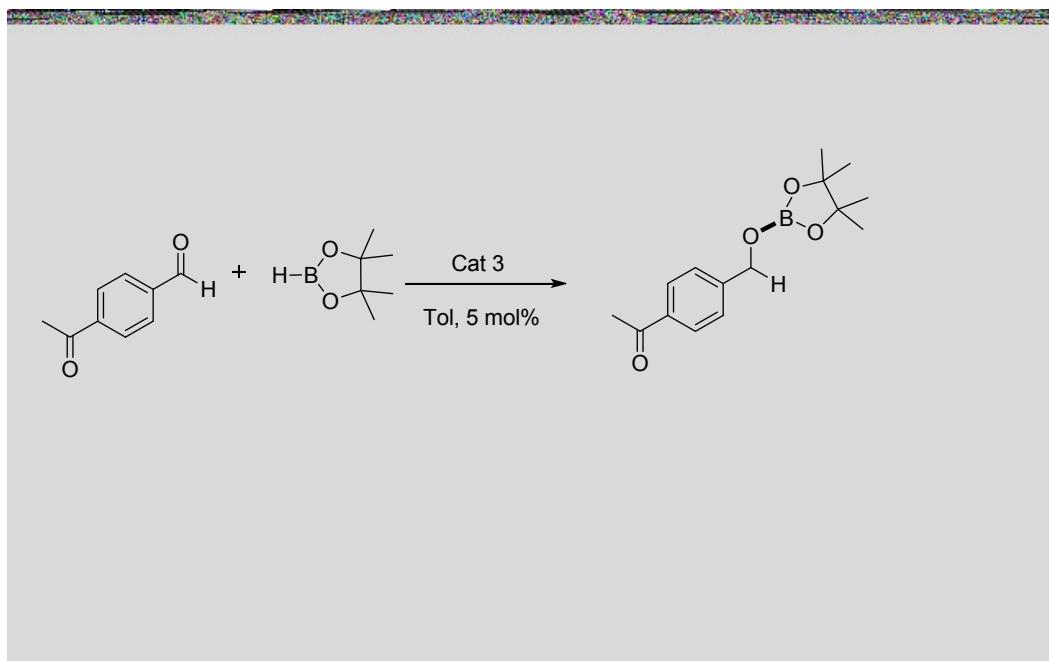
**Figure FS100.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of Chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



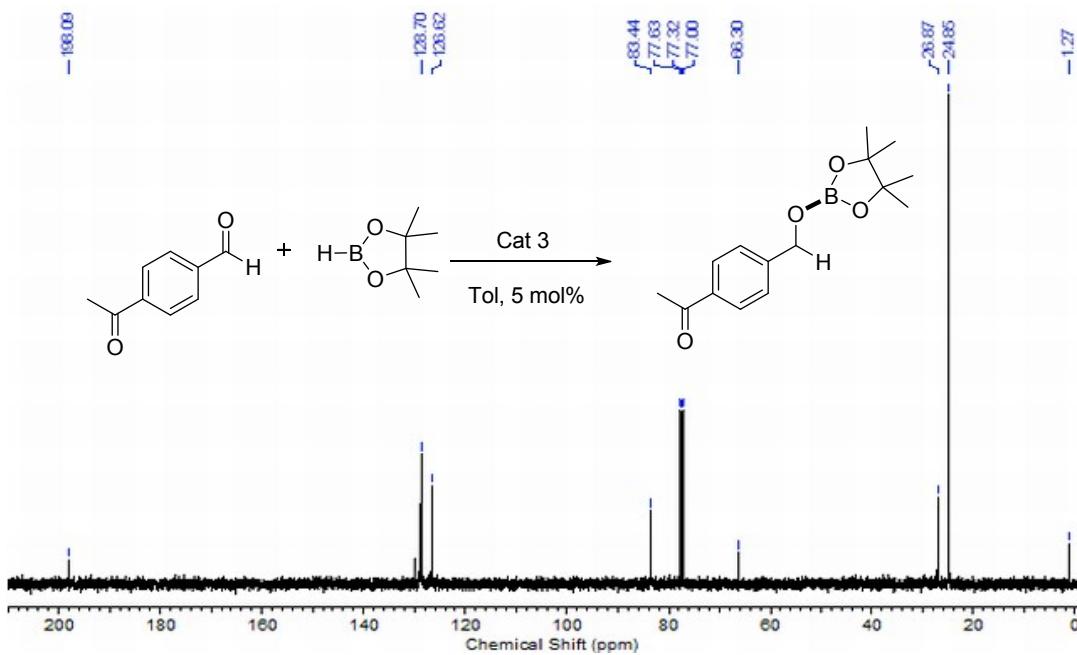
**Figure FS101.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) Chemo selective reduction of aldehyde.



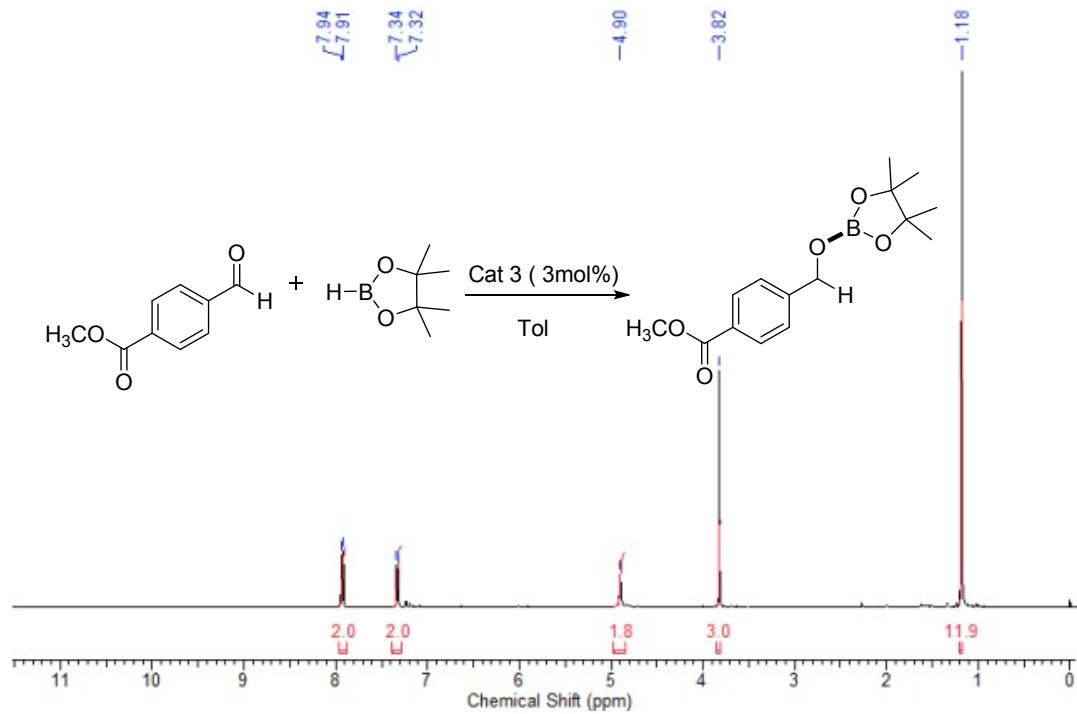
**Figure FS102.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



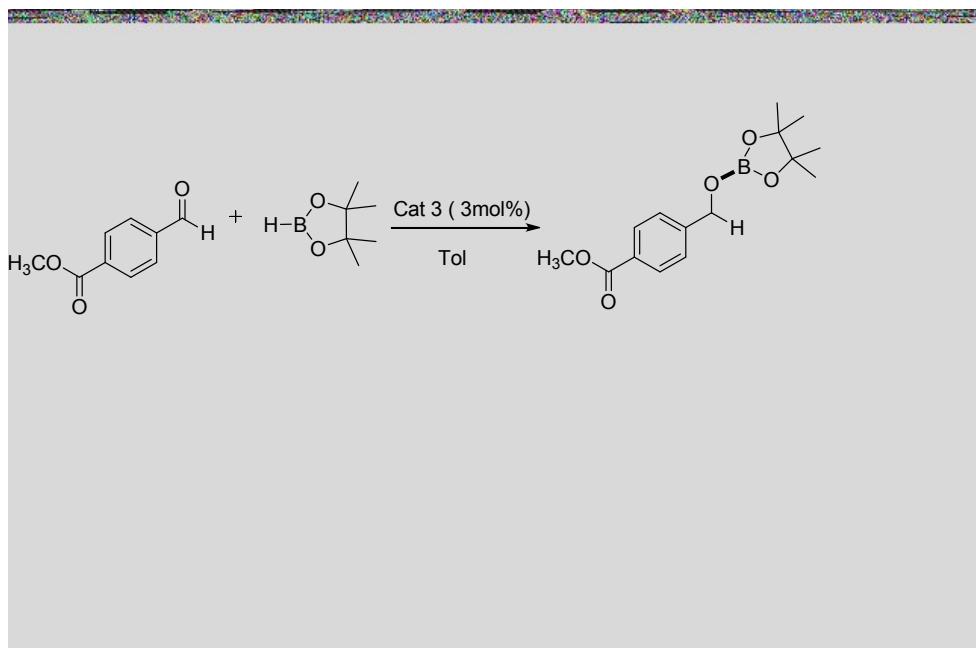
**Figure FS103.** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of Chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



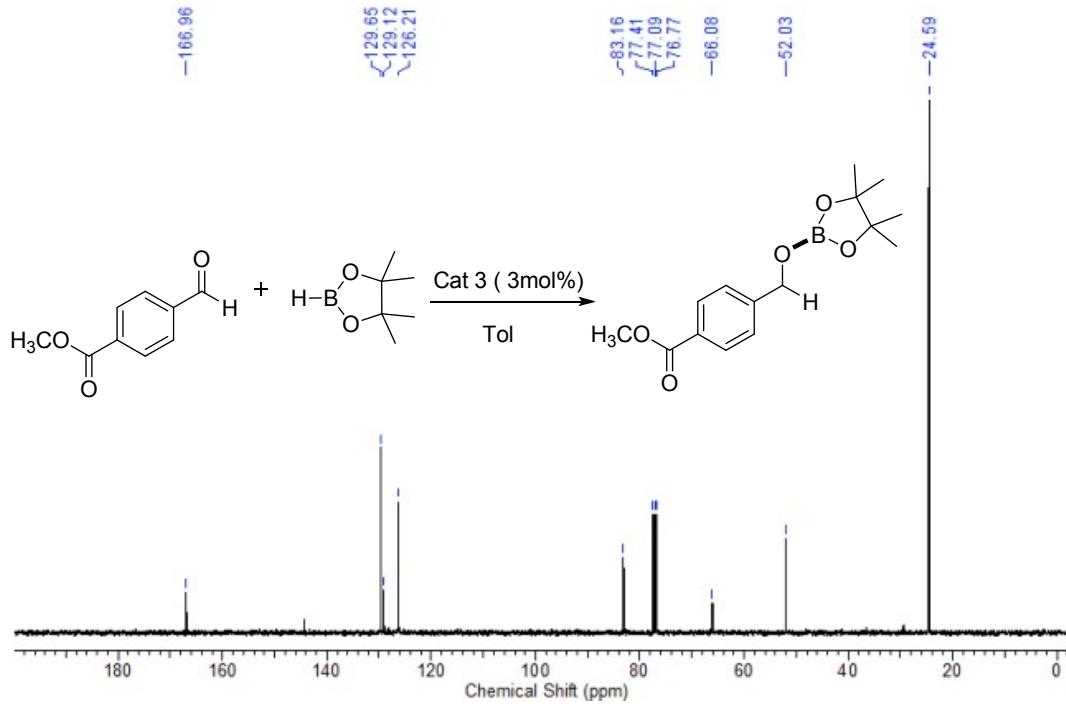
**Figure FS104.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) Chemo selective reduction of aldehyde.



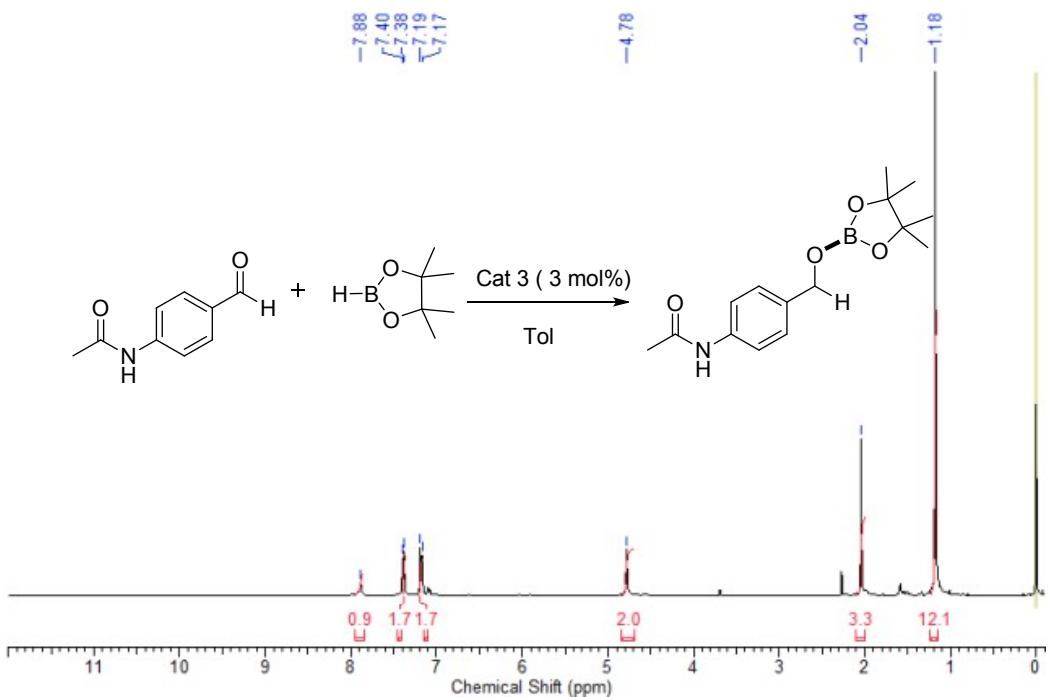
**Figure FS105.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



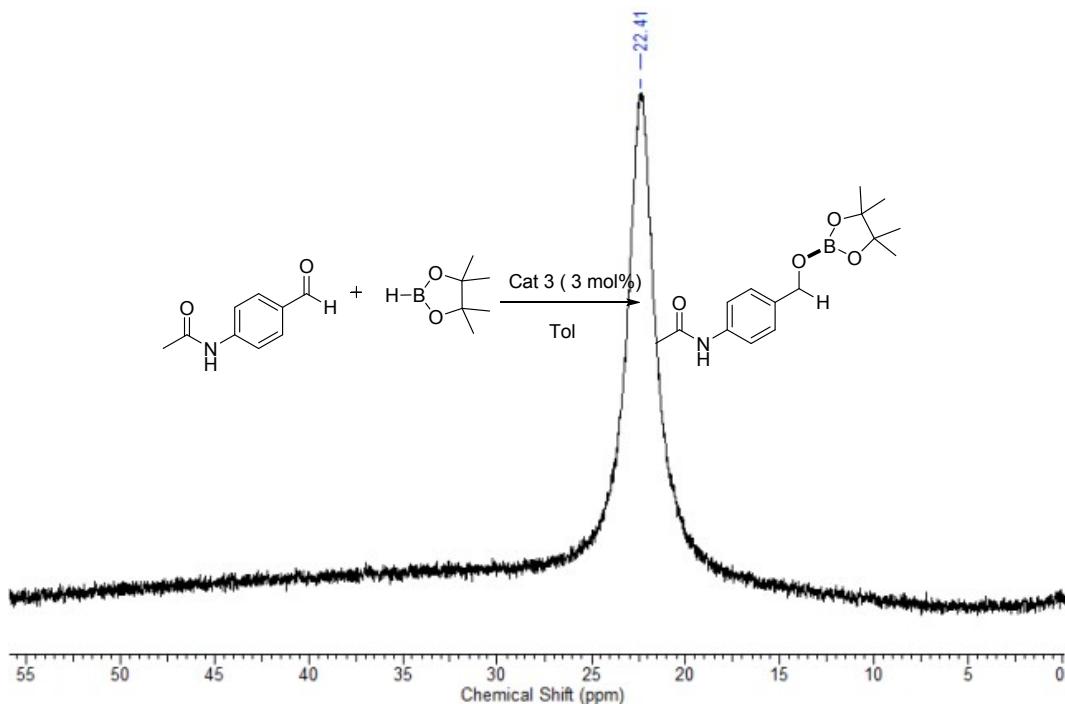
**Figure FS106.**  $^{11}B$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $CDCl_3$ ) of Chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



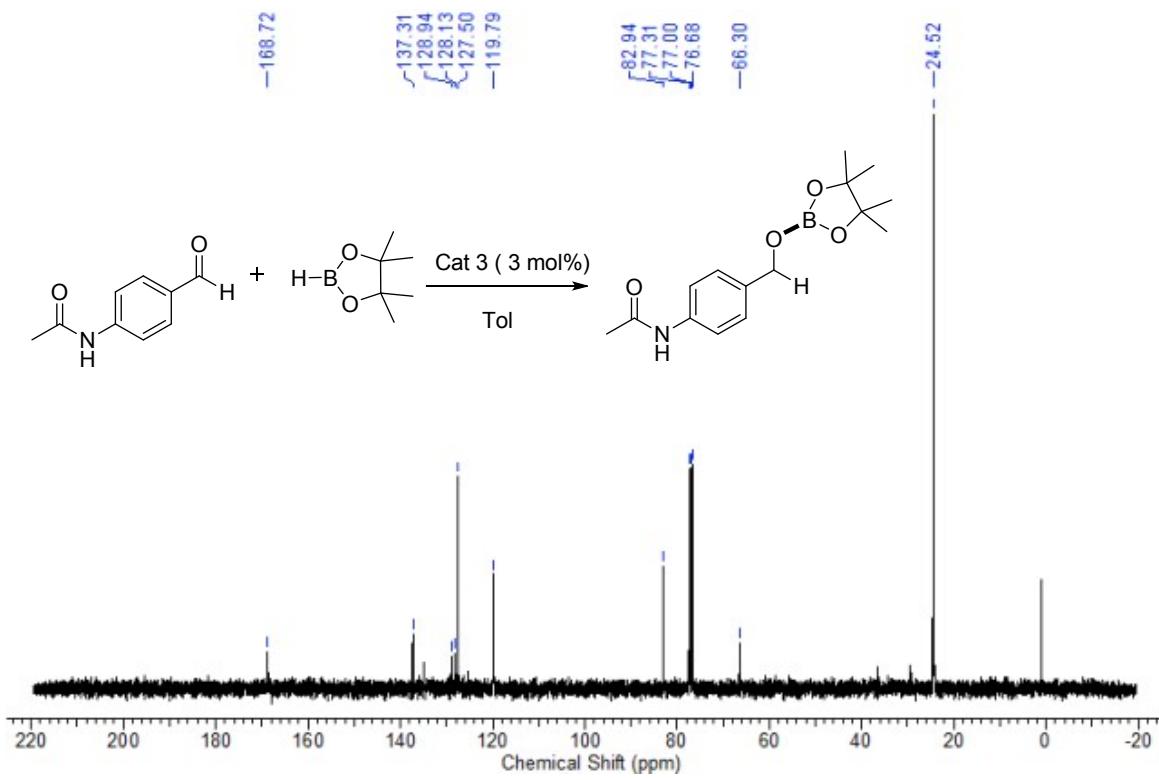
**Figure FS107.**  $^{13}C$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $CDCl_3$ ) Chemo selective reduction of aldehyde.



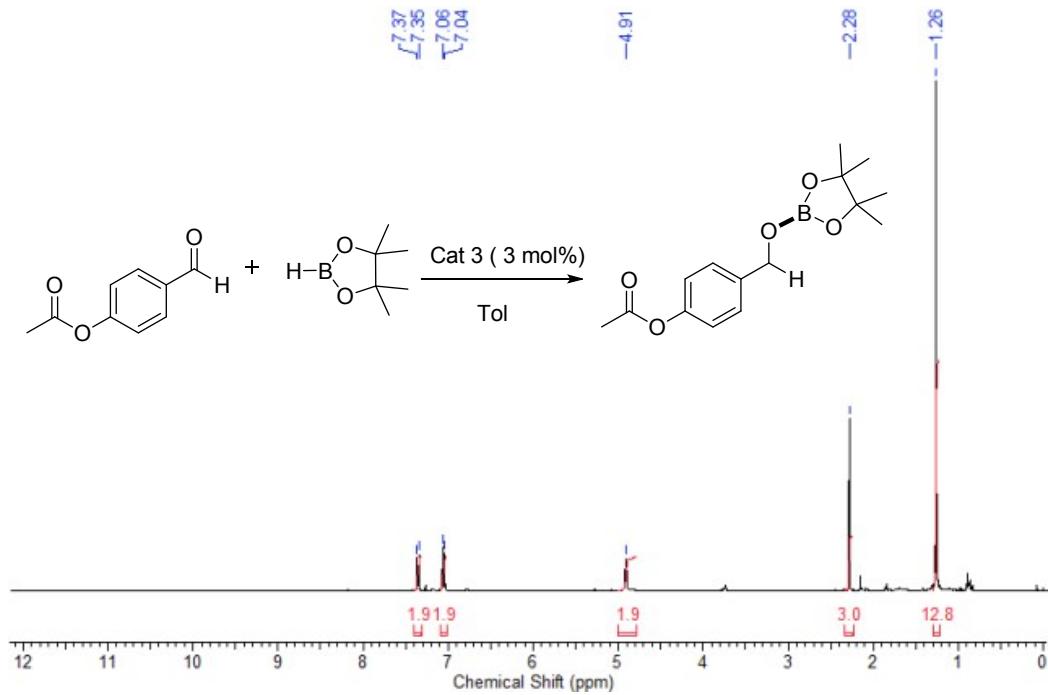
**Figure FS108.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



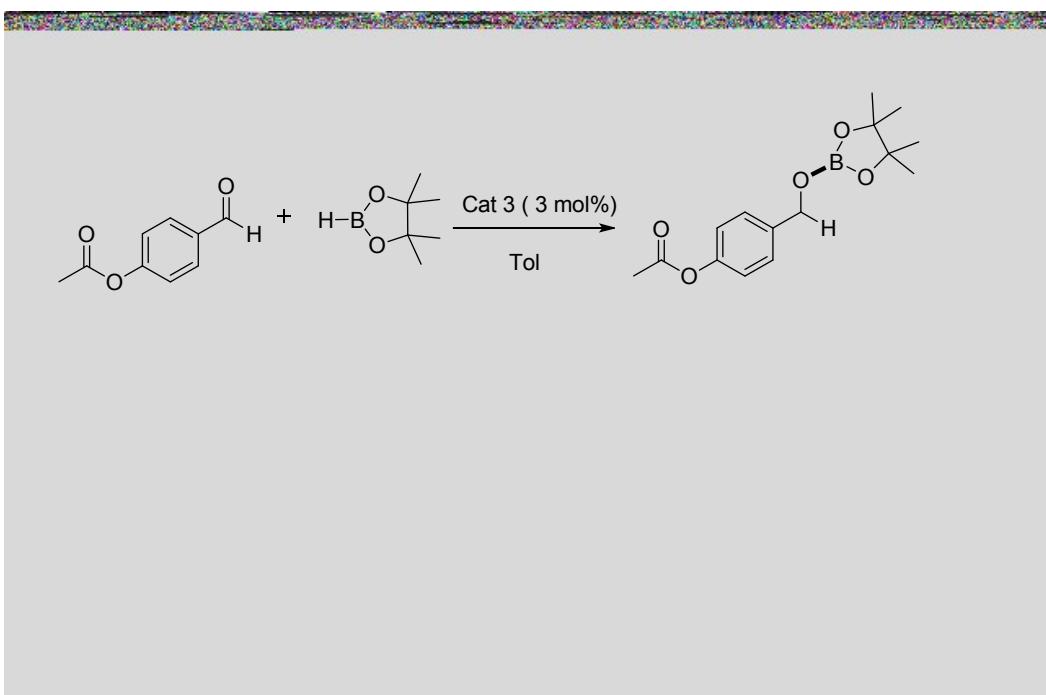
**Figure FS109.** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of Chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



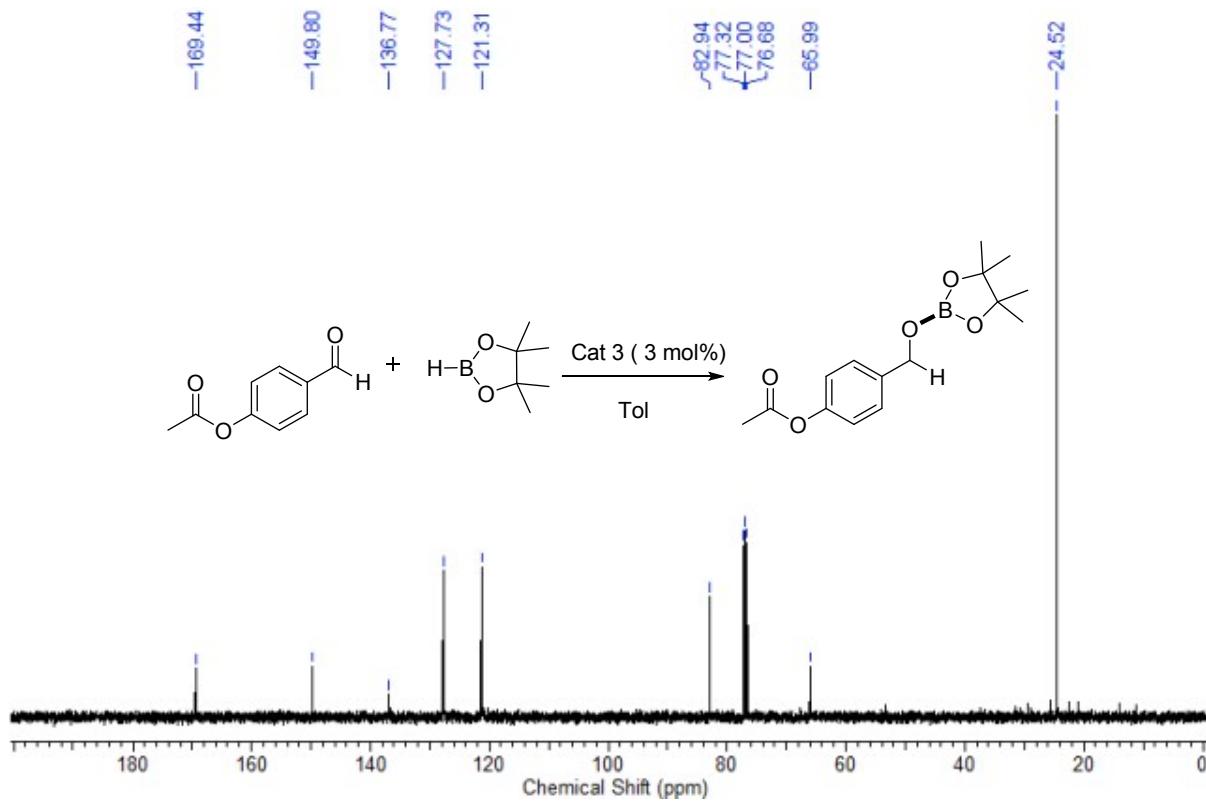
**Figure FS110.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) Chemo selective reduction of aldehyde.



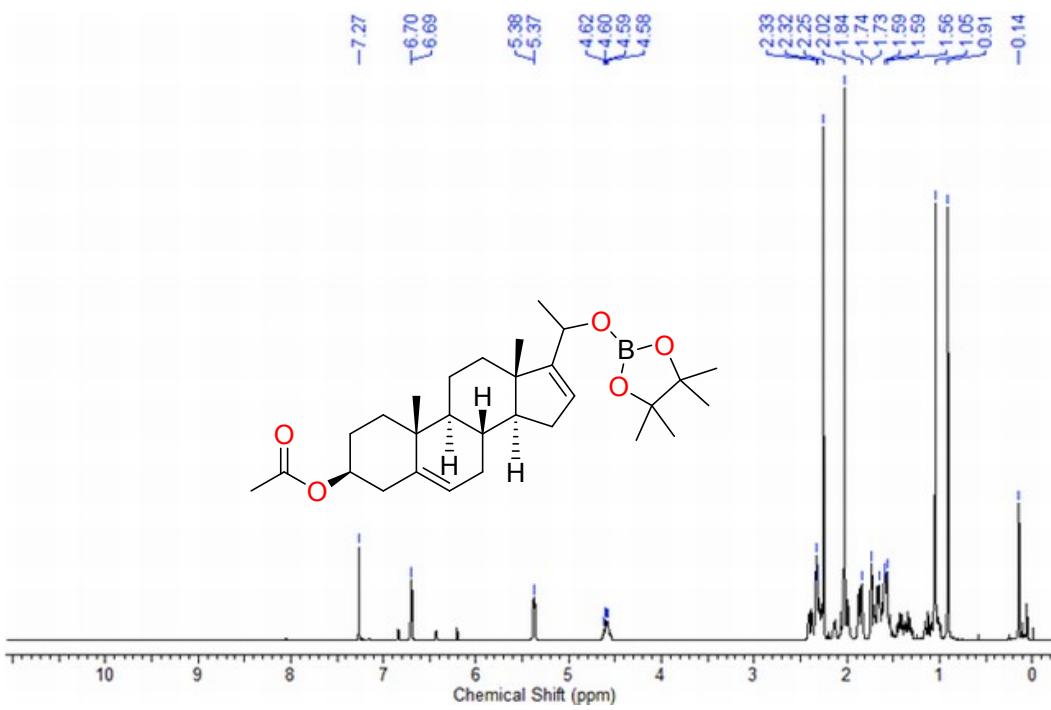
**Figure FS111.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



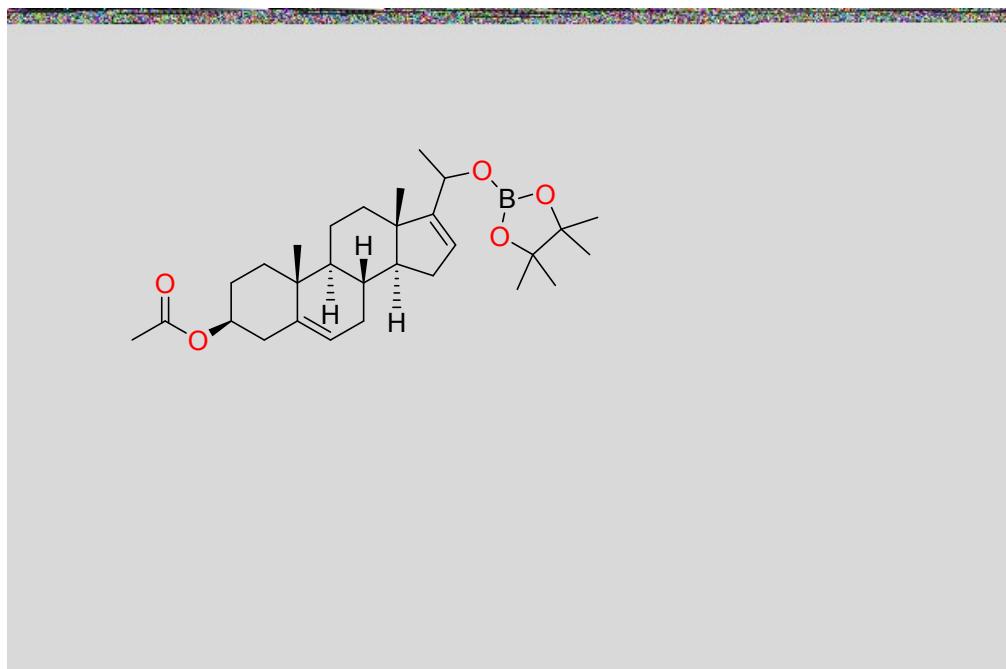
**Figure FS112.**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of Chemo selective reduction of aldehydes.



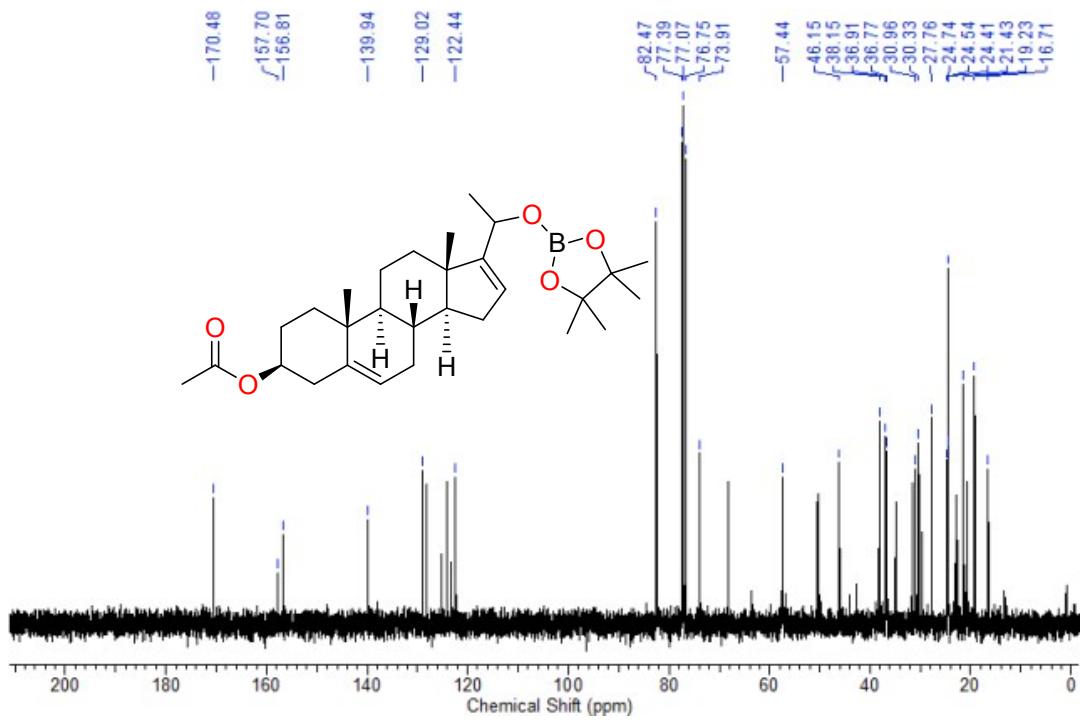
**Figure FS113.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) Chemo selective reduction of aldehyde.



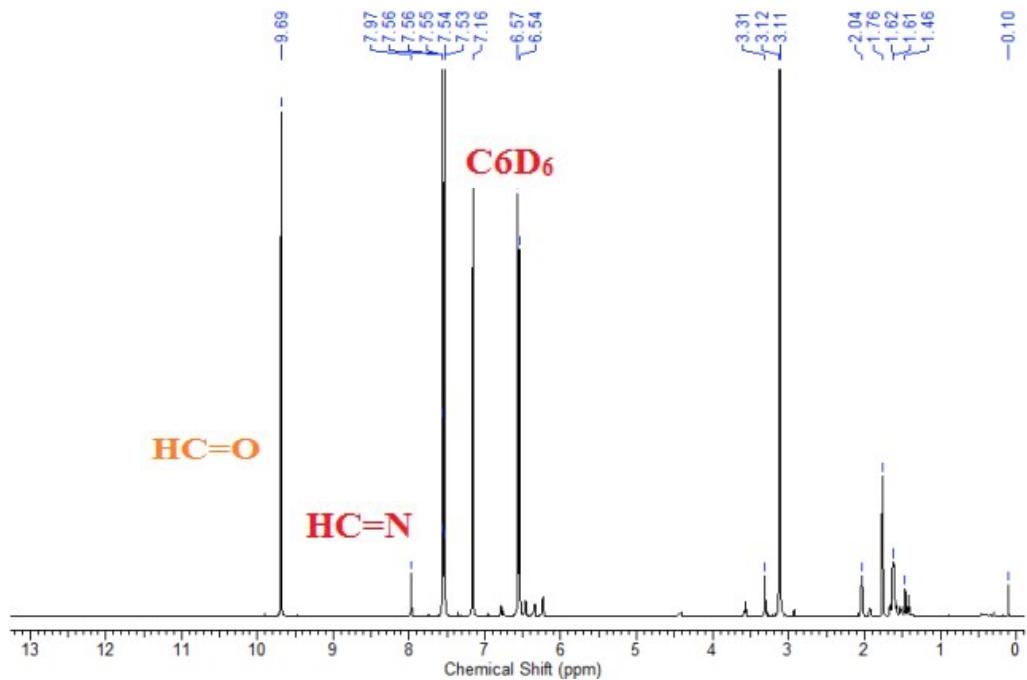
**Figure FS114.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective reduction of 16-dehydropregnolone acetate.



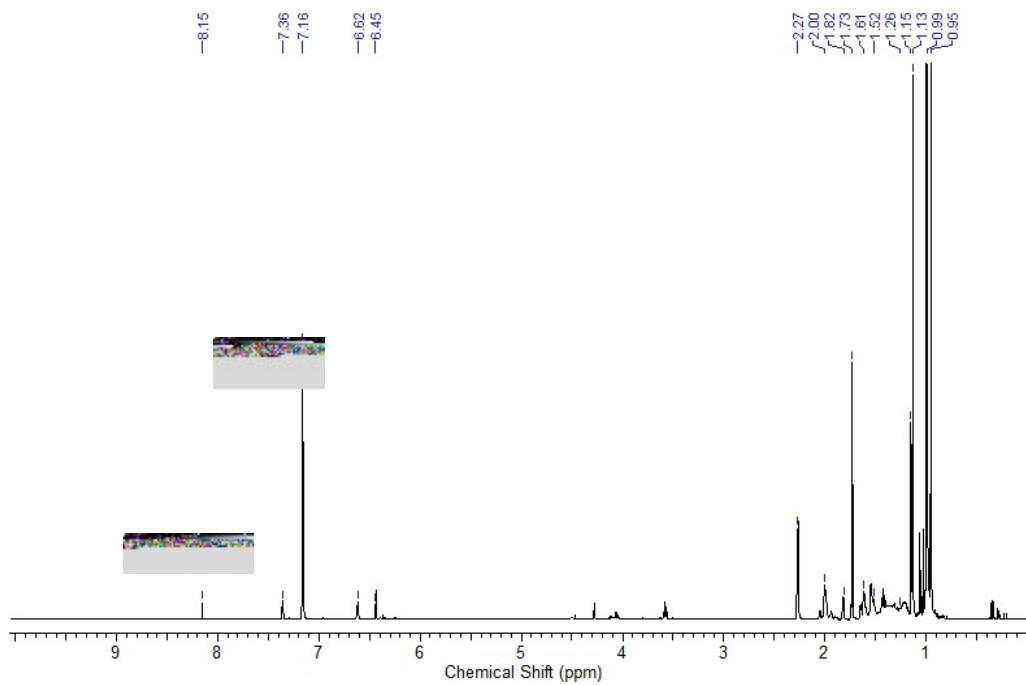
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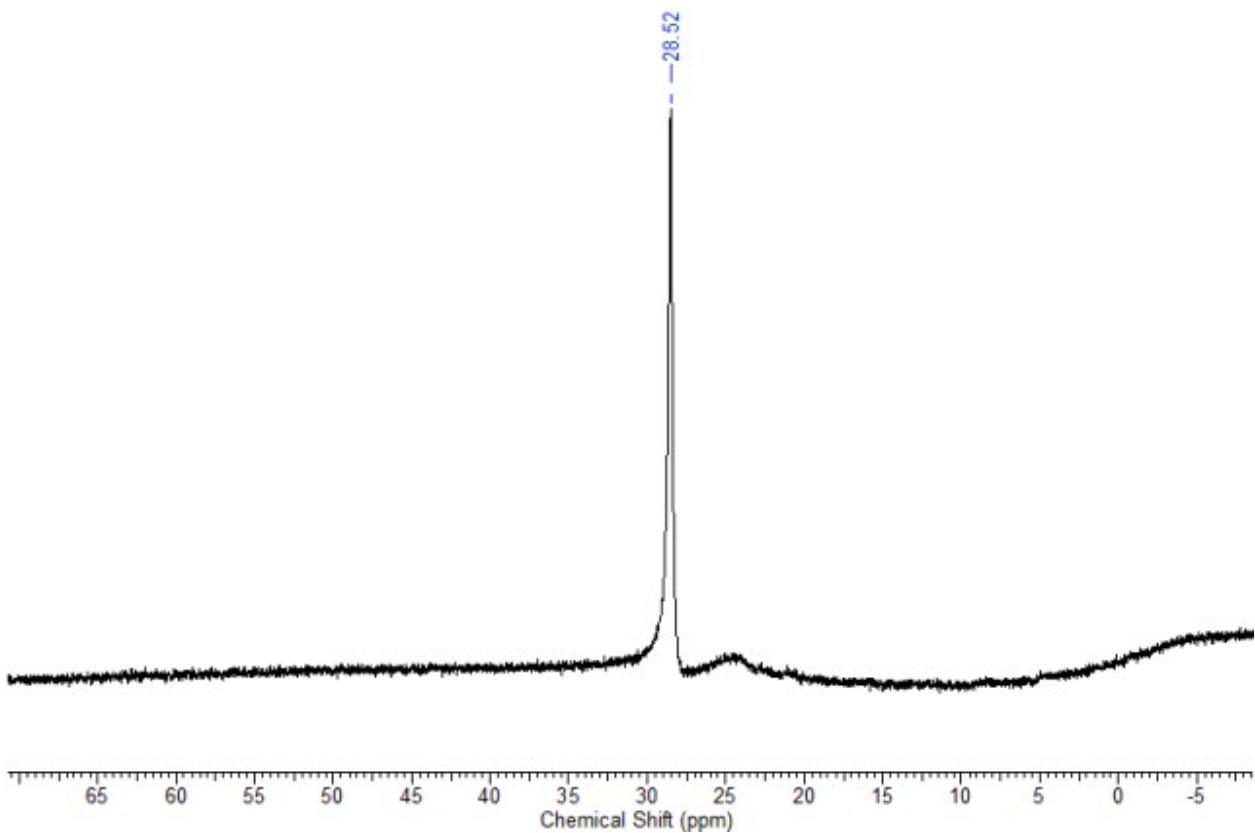
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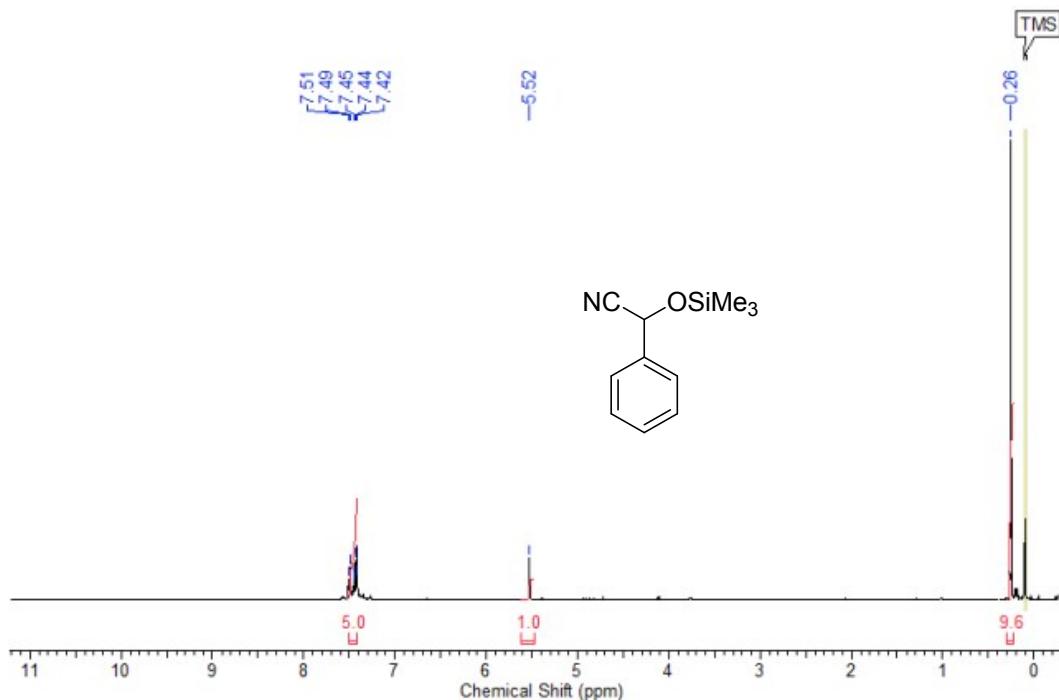
**Figure FS117.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of complex 3 in presence of excess *p*-OMe Benzaldehyde



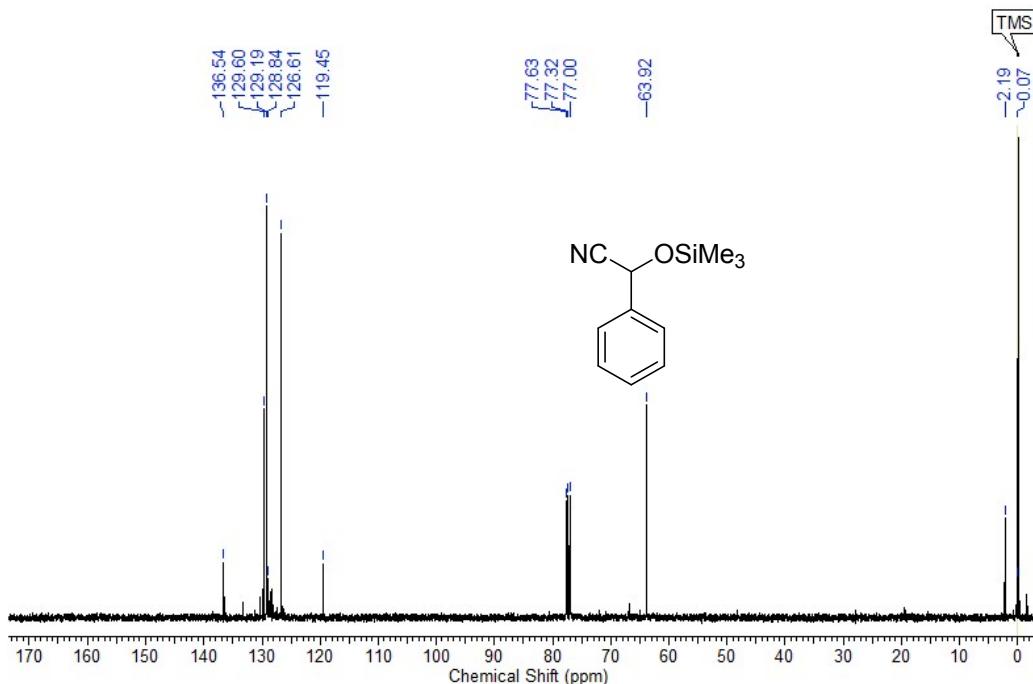
**Figure FS118.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of complex **3** in presence of excess HBpin.



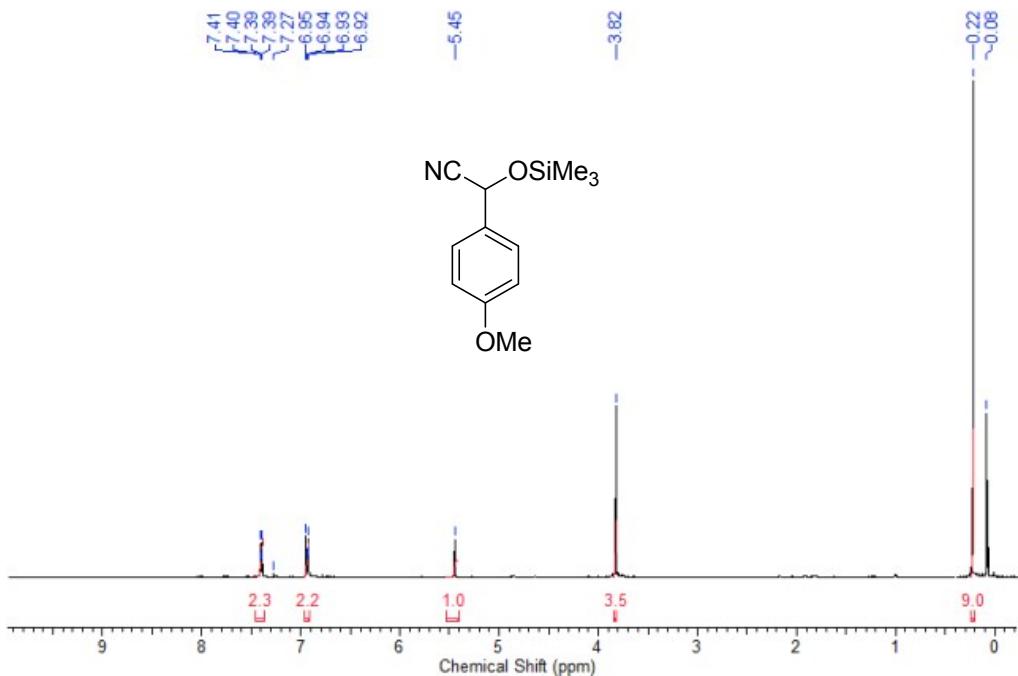
**Figure FS119.** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of complex **3** in presence of excess HBpin.



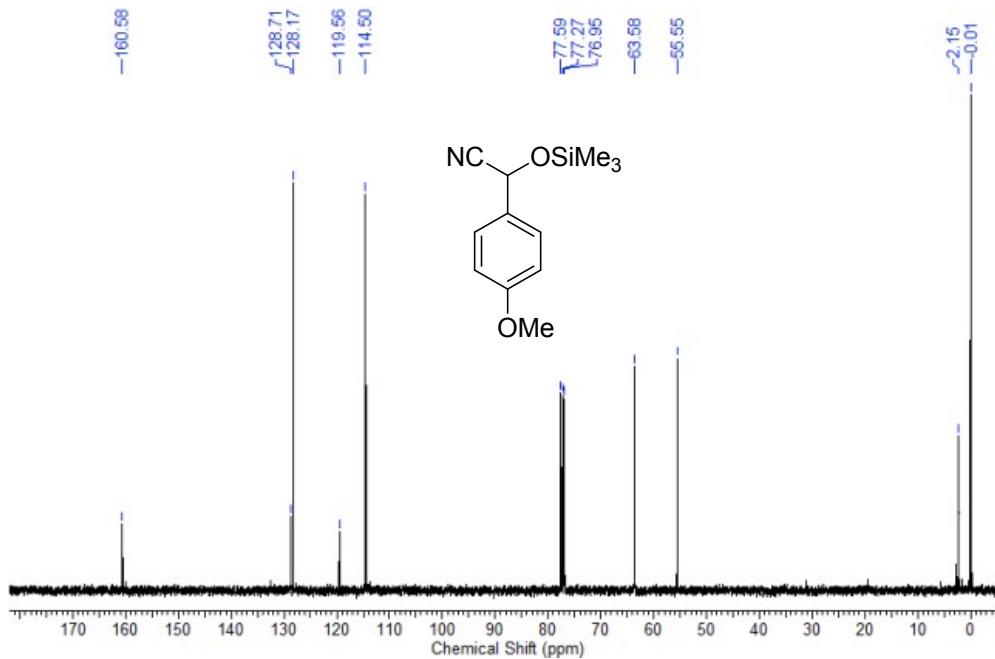
**Figure FS120.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-phenyl-2((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



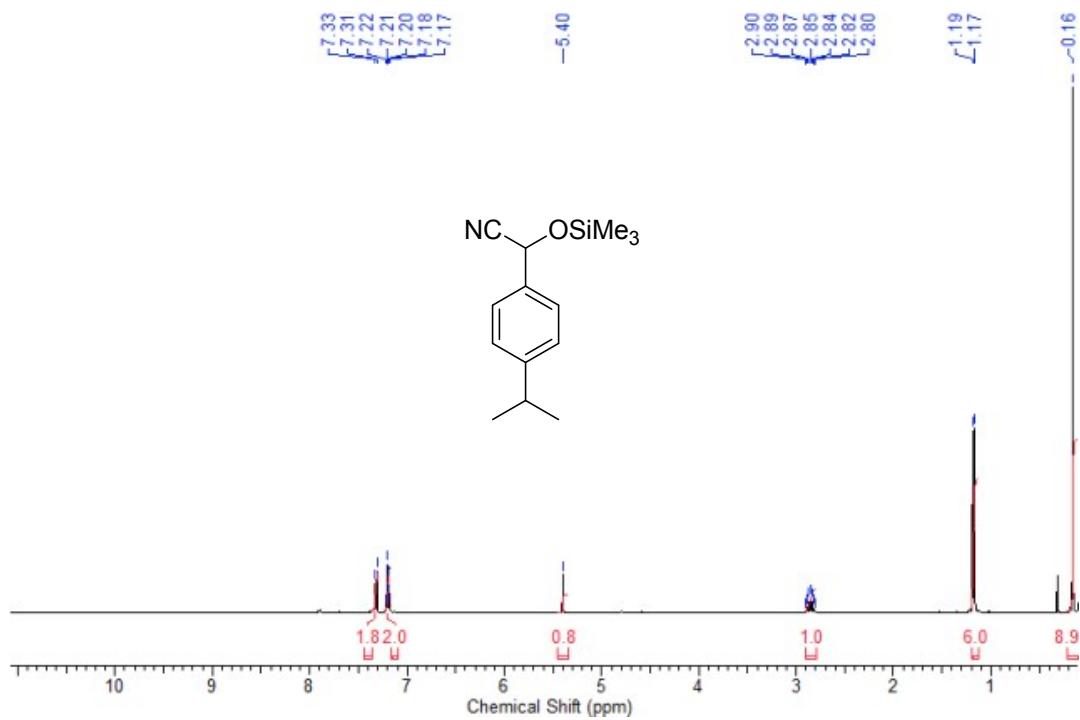
**Figure FS121.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-phenyl-2((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



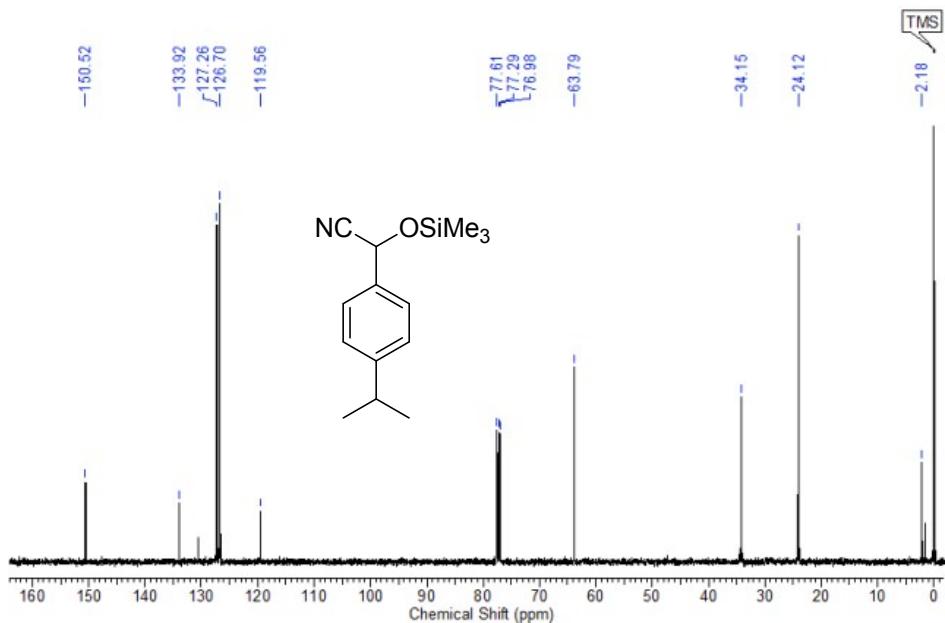
**Figure FS122.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



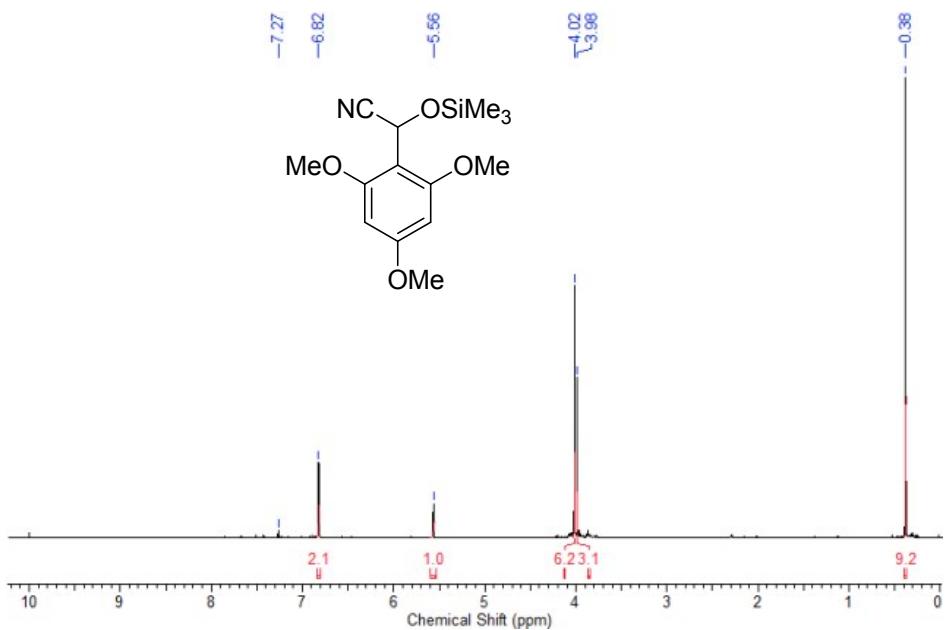
**Figure FS123.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



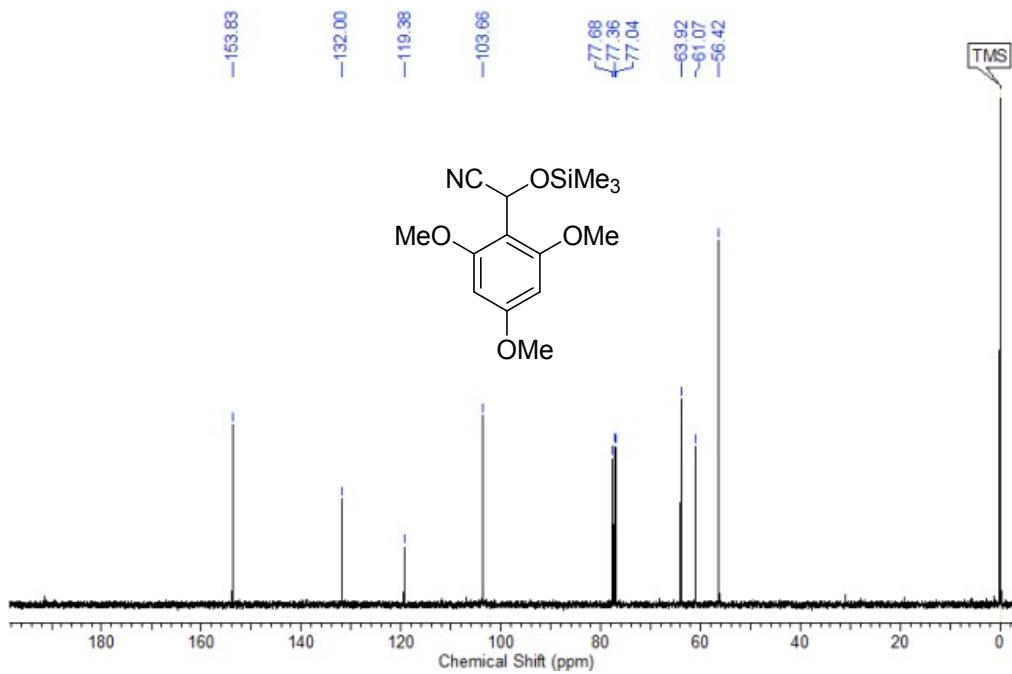
**Figure FS124.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



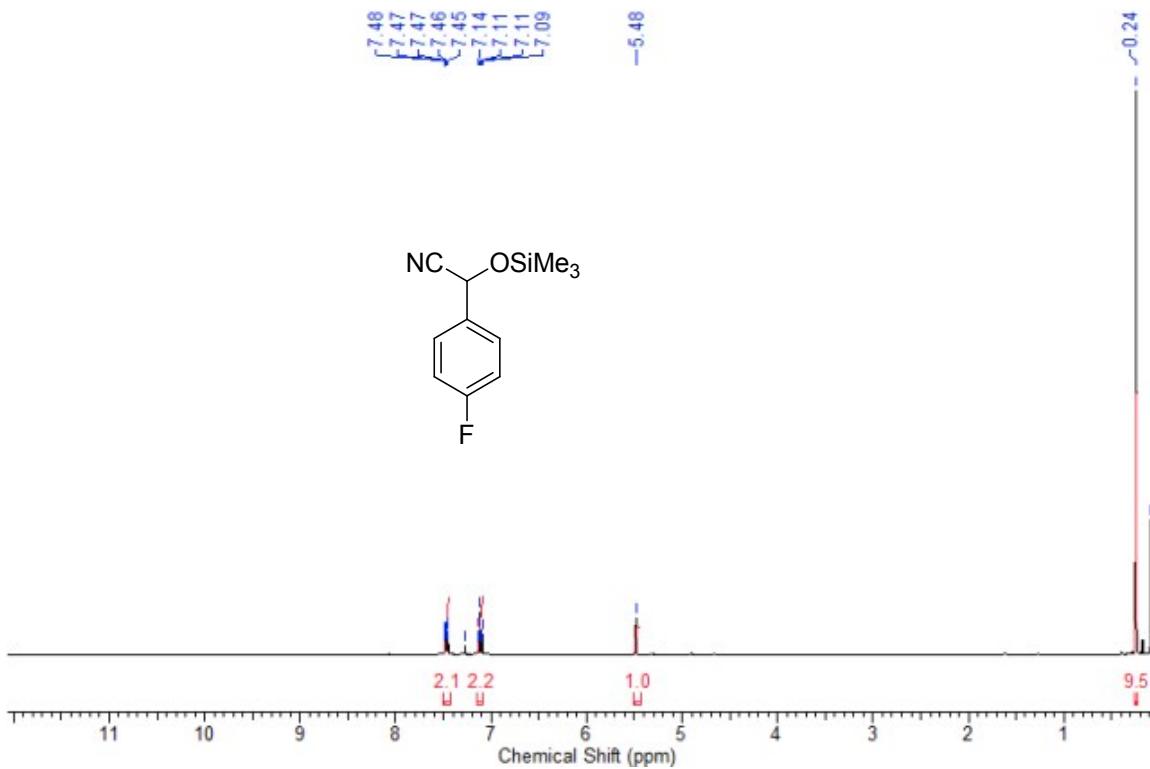
**Figure FS125.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



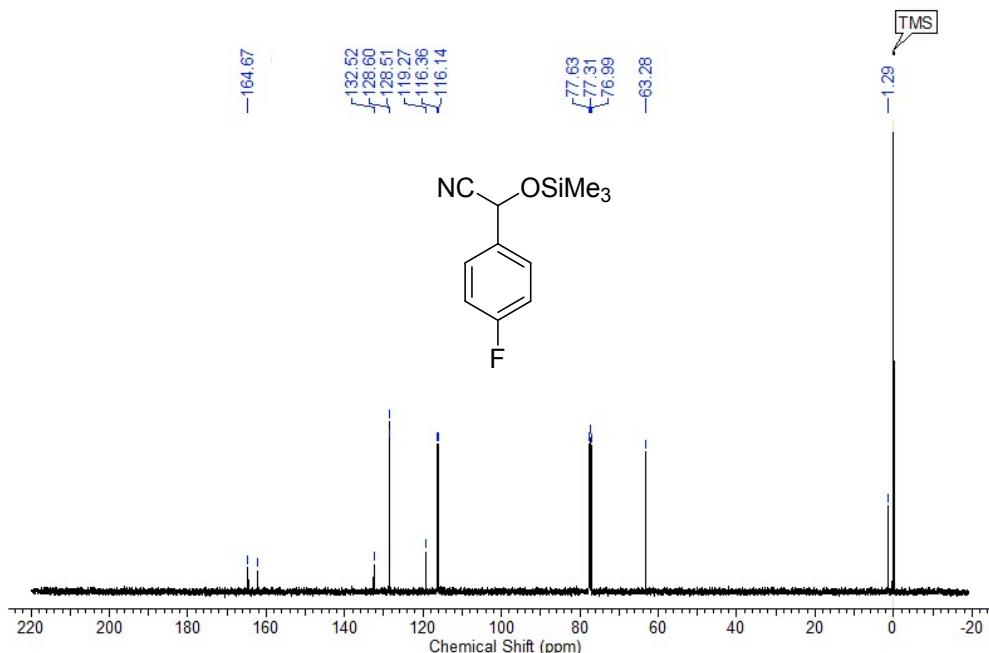
**Figure FS126.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



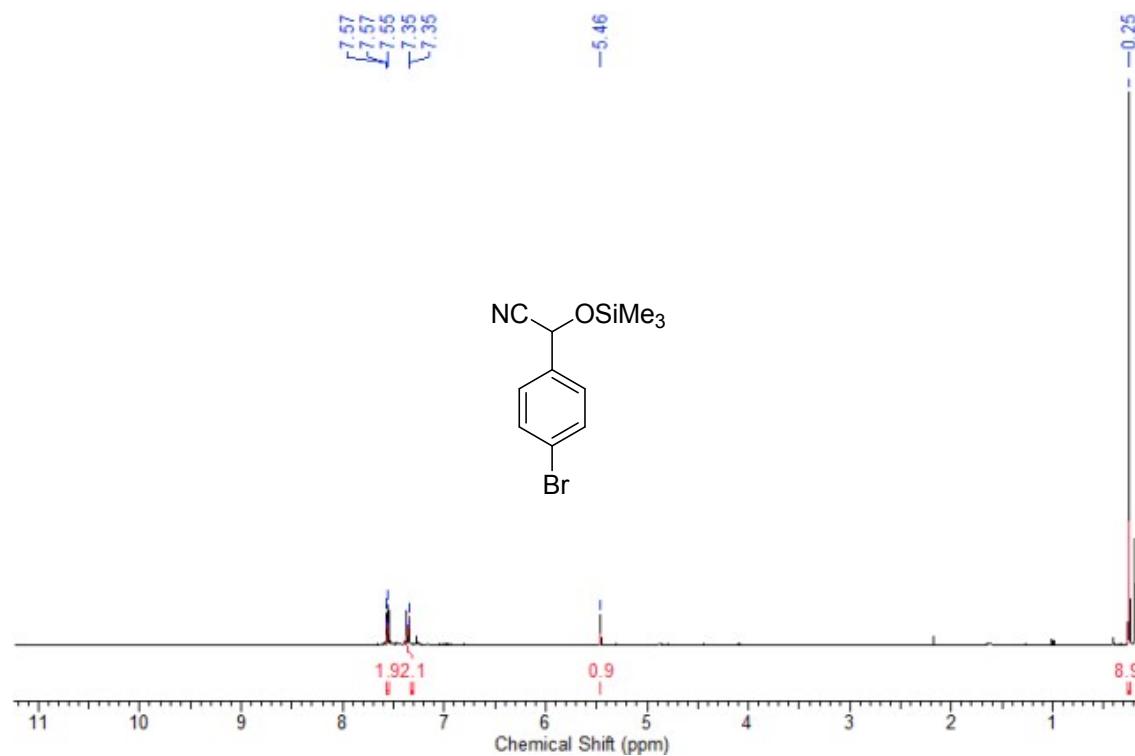
**Figure FS127.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(2,4,6-trimethoxyphenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



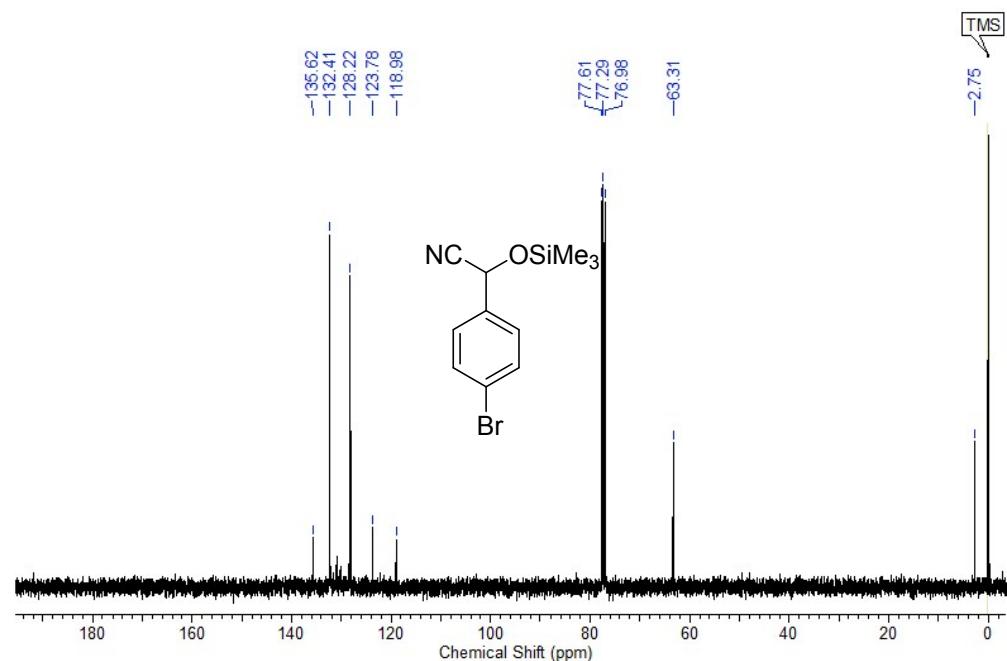
**Figure FS128.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



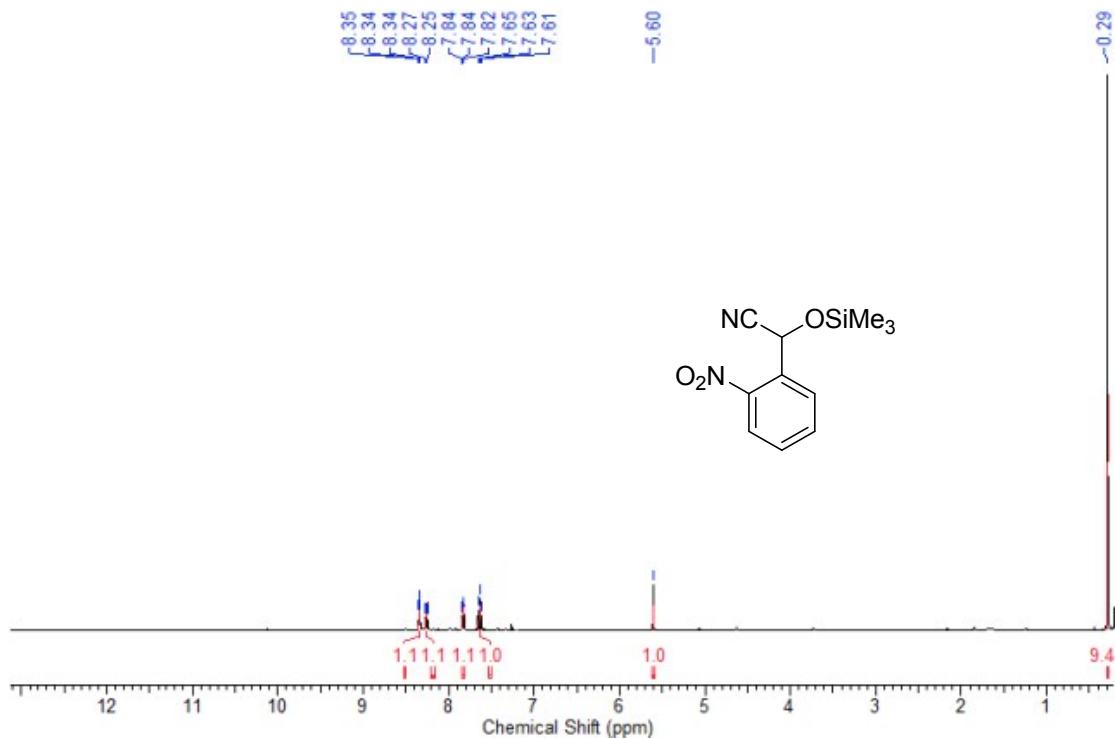
**Figure FS129.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



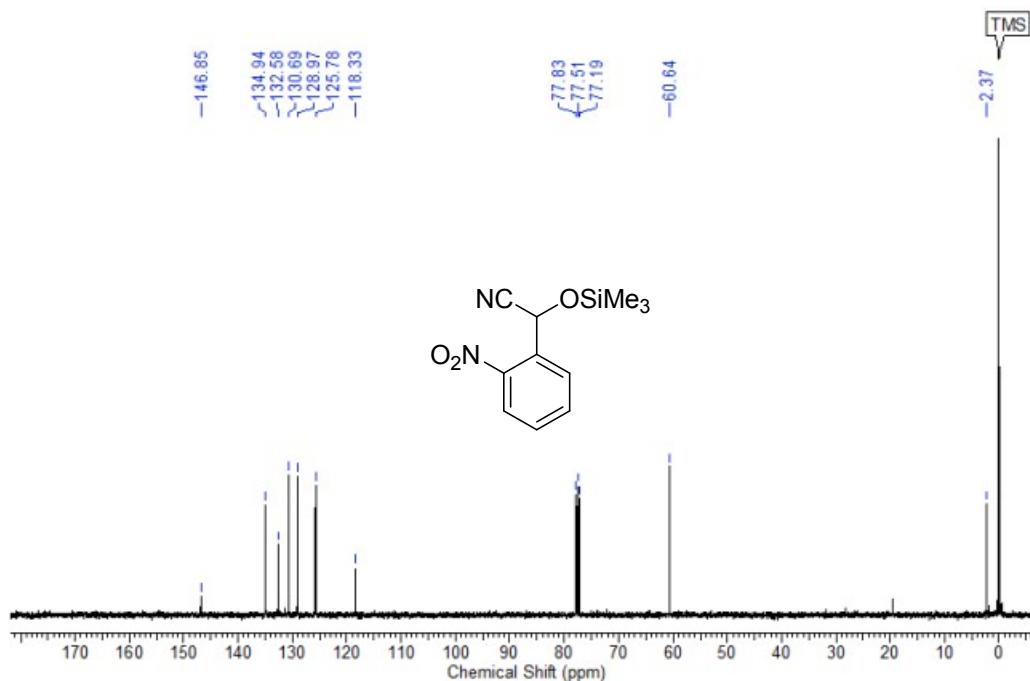
**Figure FS130.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



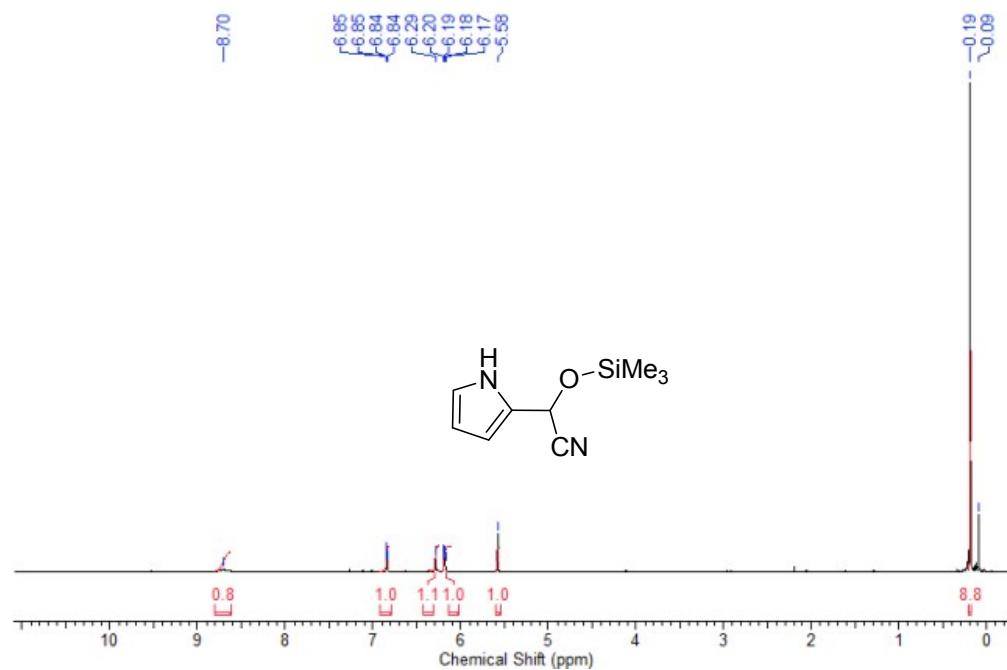
**Figure FS131.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



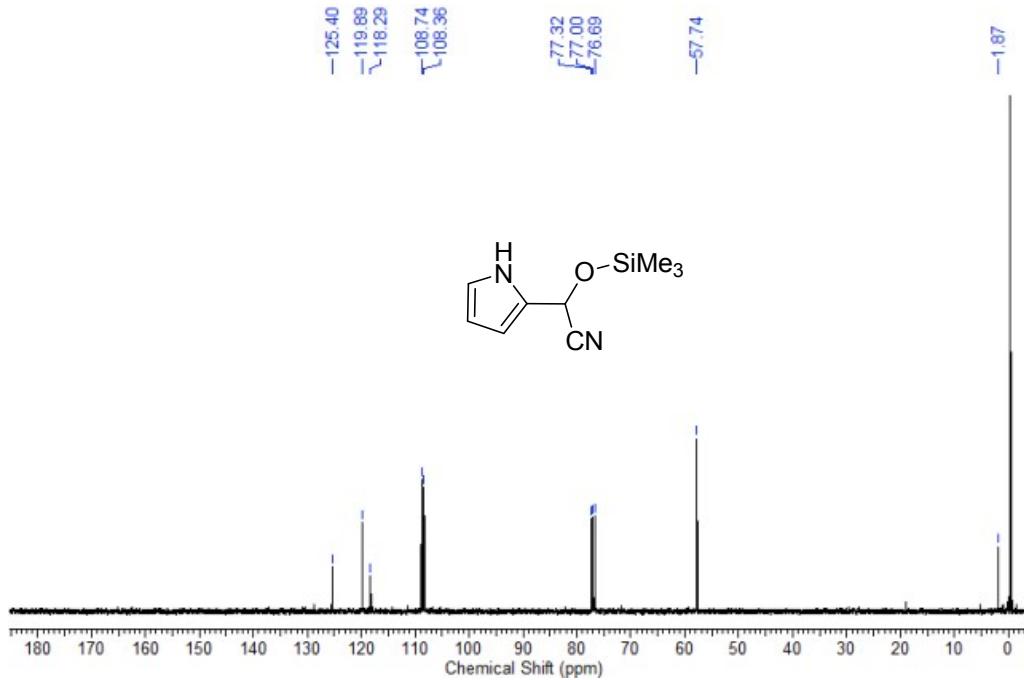
**Figure FS132.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



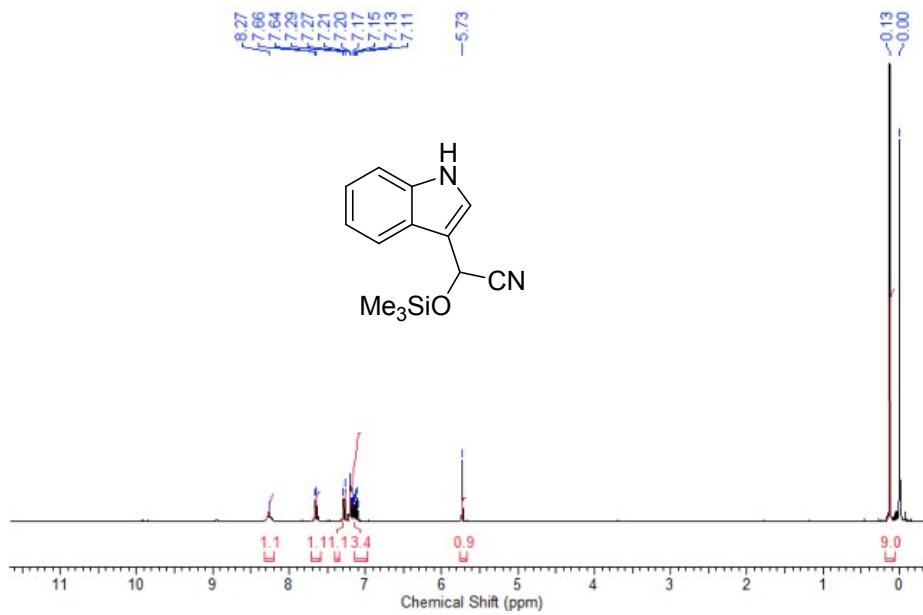
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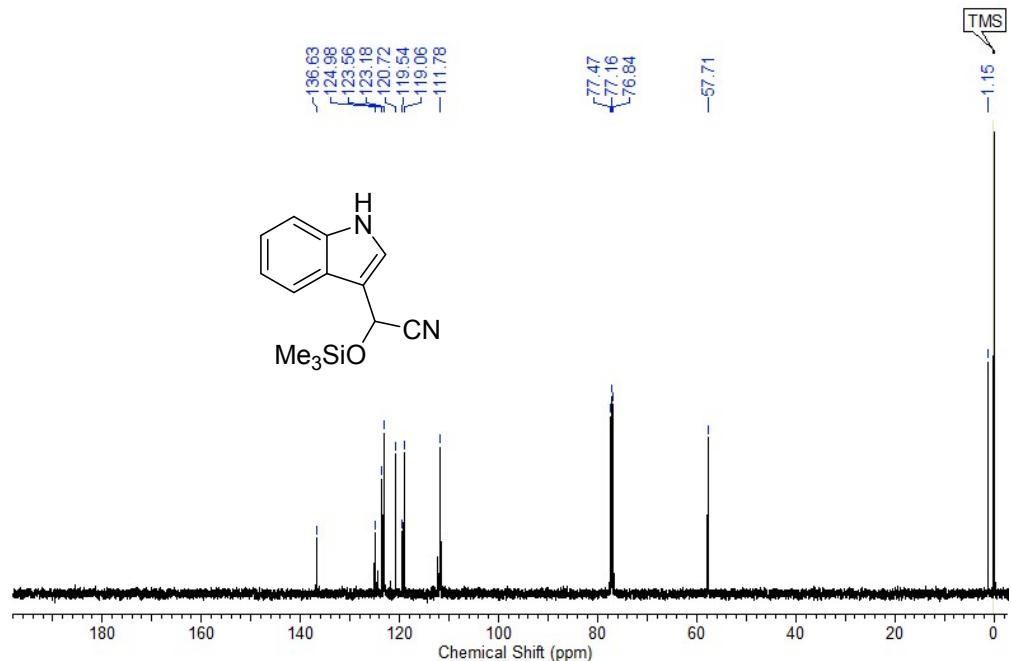
**Figure FS134.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



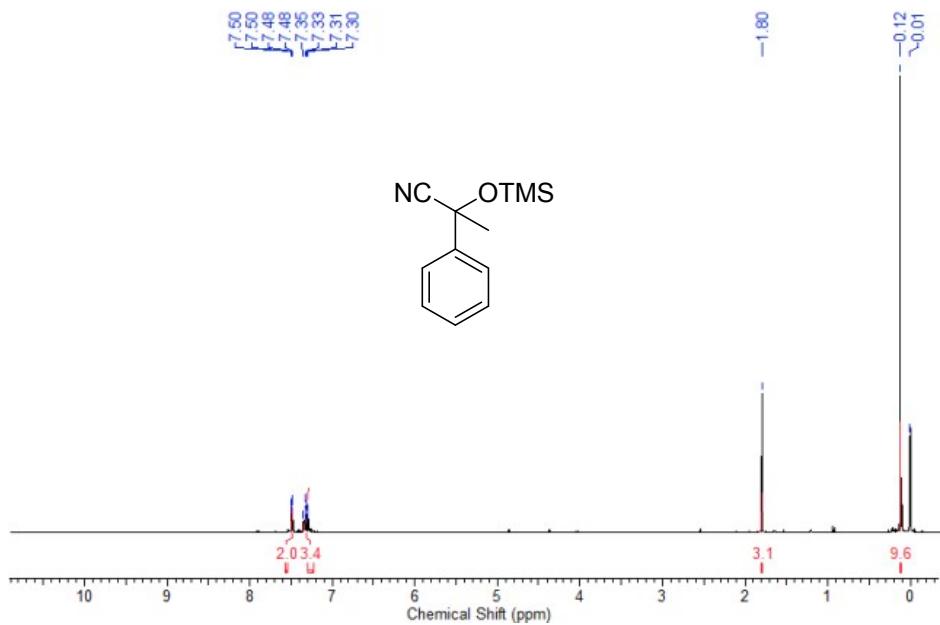
**Figure FS135.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



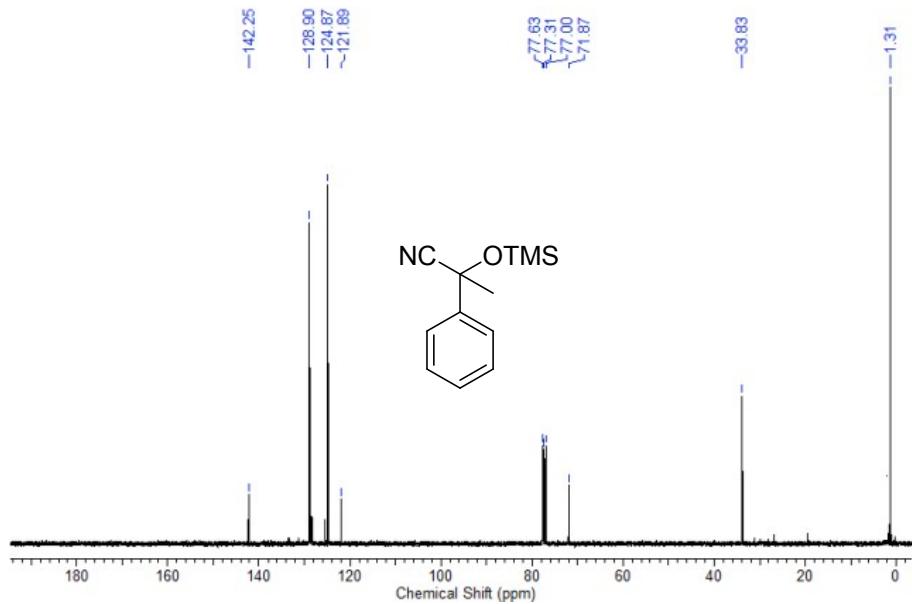
**Figure FS136.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1H-indol-3-yl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



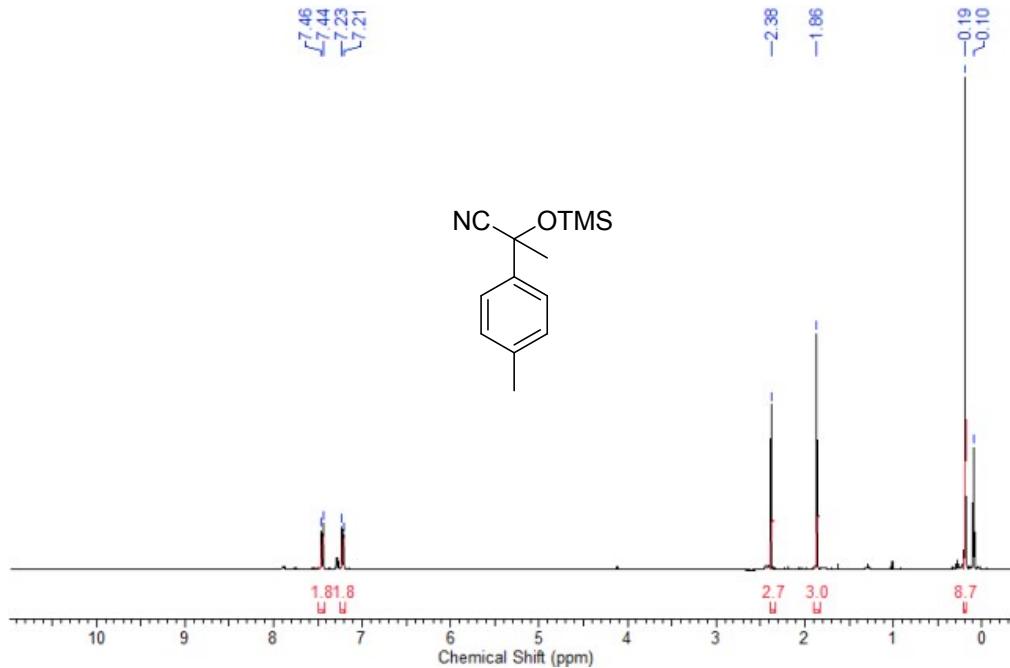
**Figure FS137.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(1H-indol-3-yl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile.



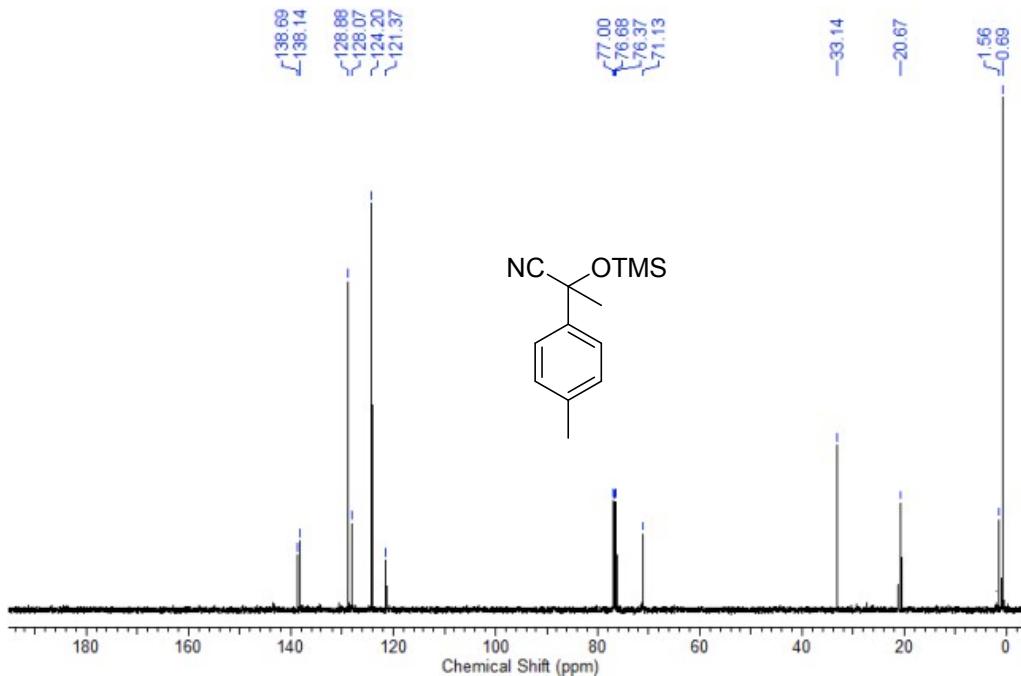
**Figure FS138.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-phenyl-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)propanenitrile



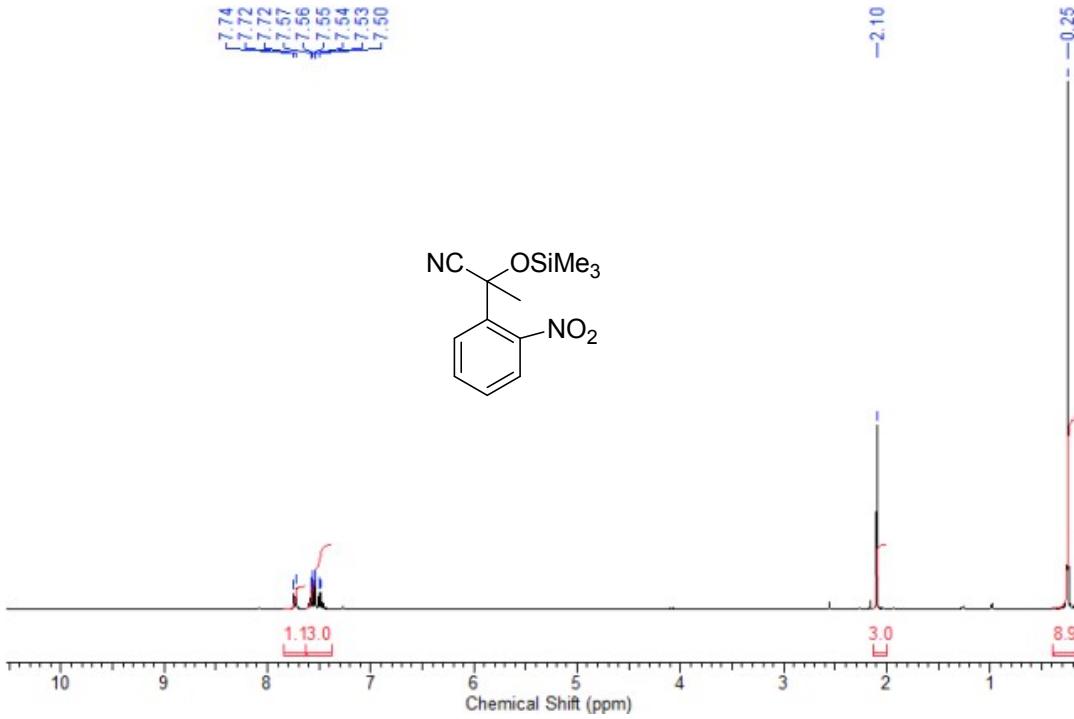
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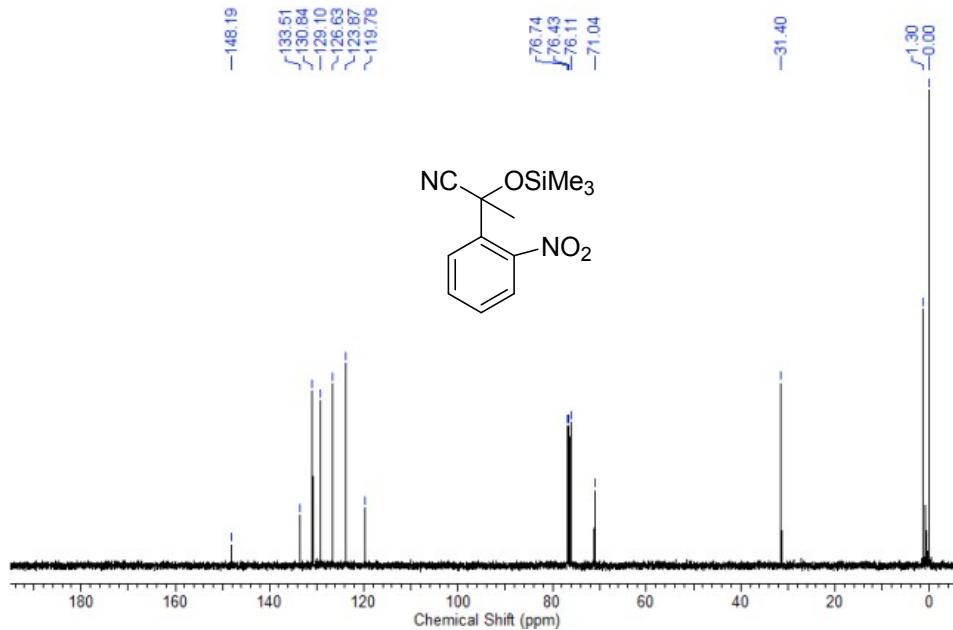
**Figure FS140.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(p-tolyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)propanenitrile.



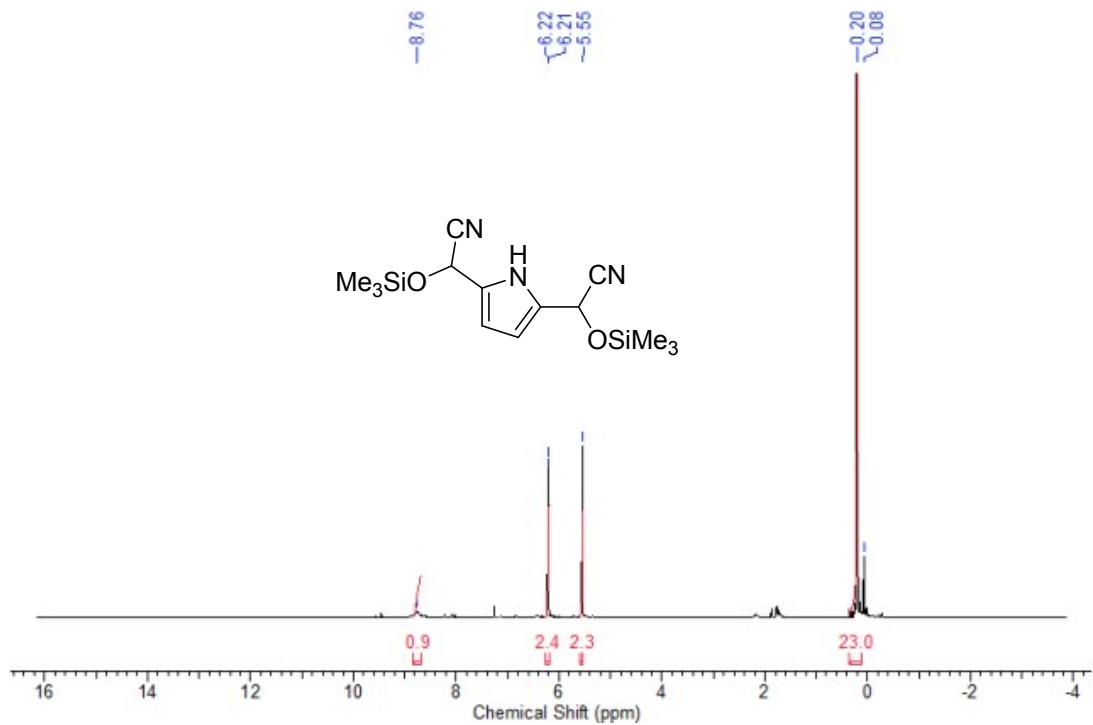
**Figure FS141.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2-(p-tolyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)propanenitrile.



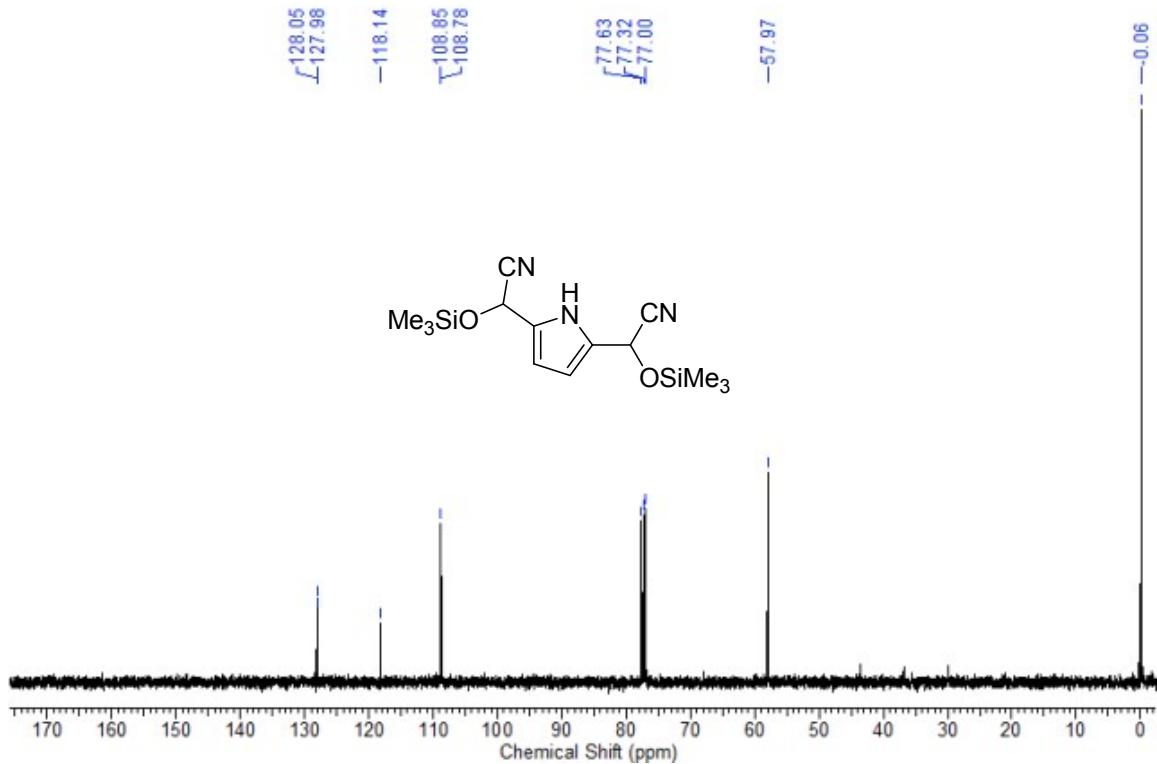
**Figure FS142.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)propanenitrile.



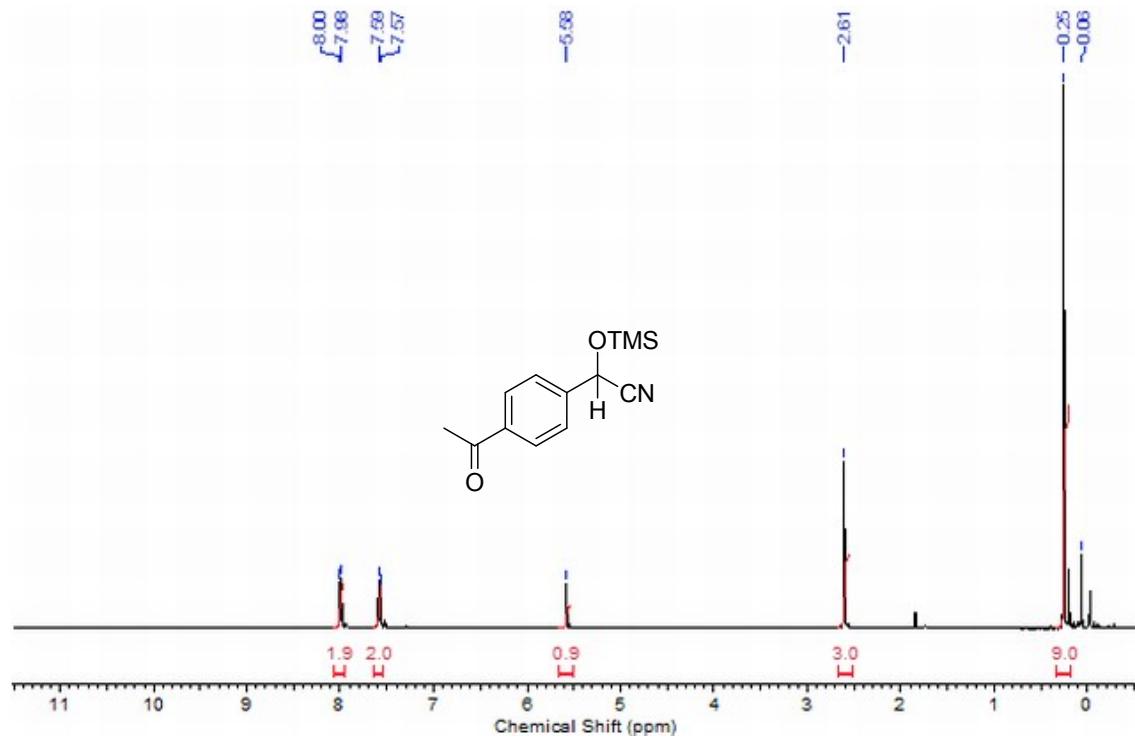
**Figure FS143.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)propanenitrile.



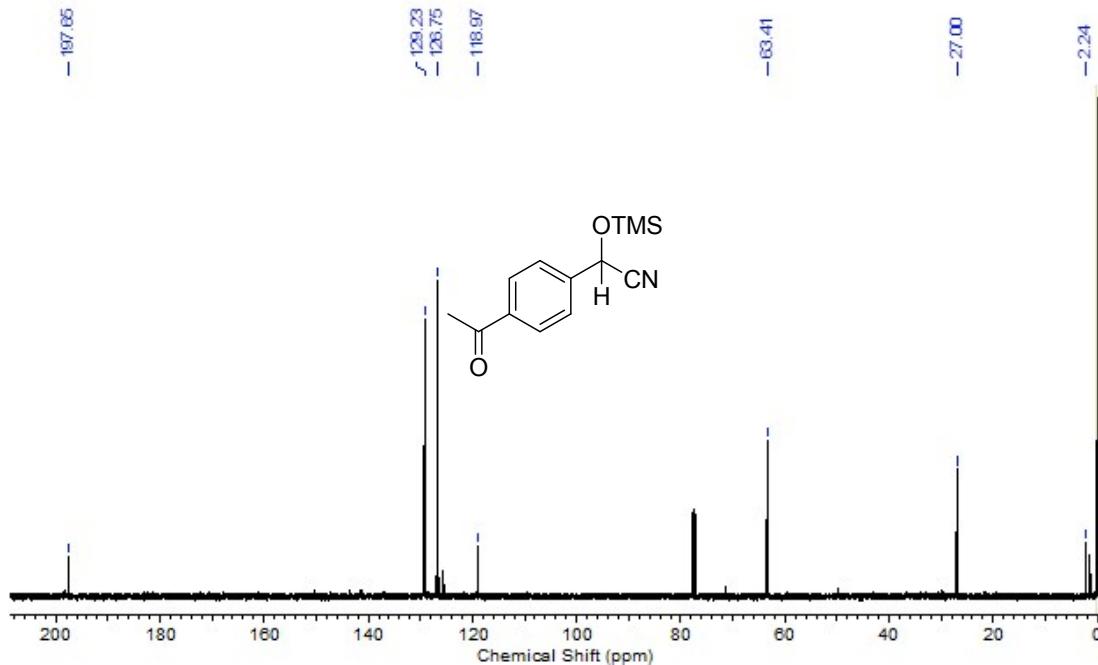
**Figure FS144.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2,2'-(1H-pyrrole-2,5-diyl)bis(2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile).



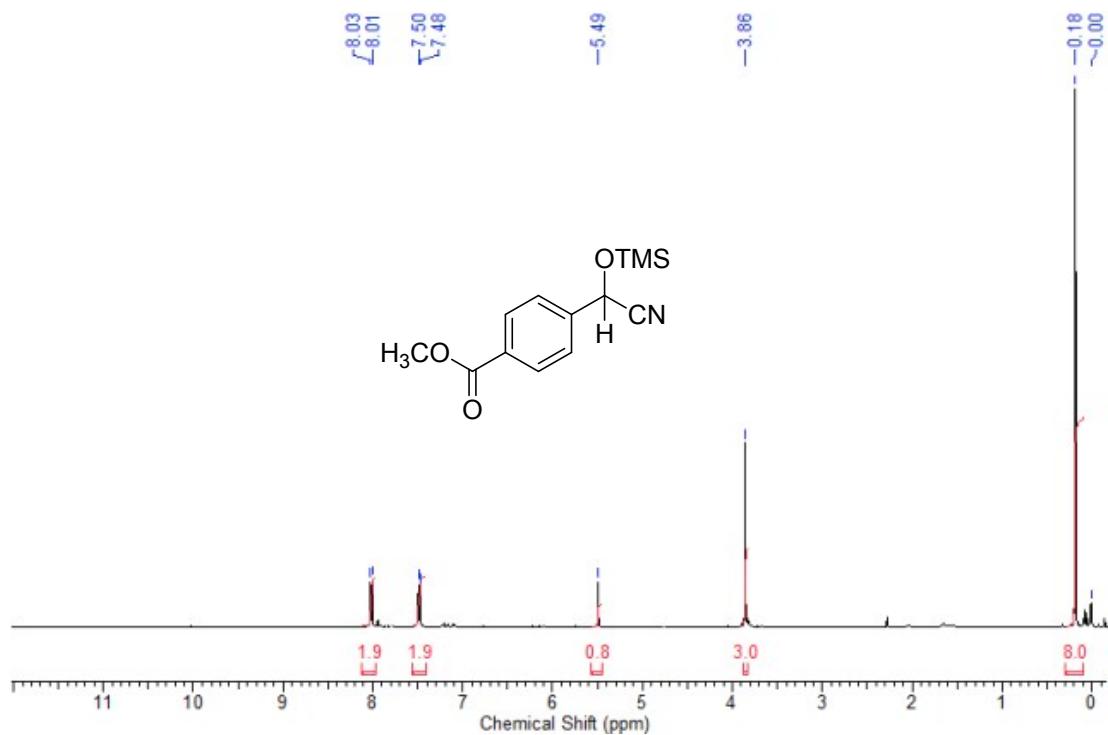
**Figure FS145.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of 2,2'-(1H-pyrrole-2,5-diyl)bis(2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile).



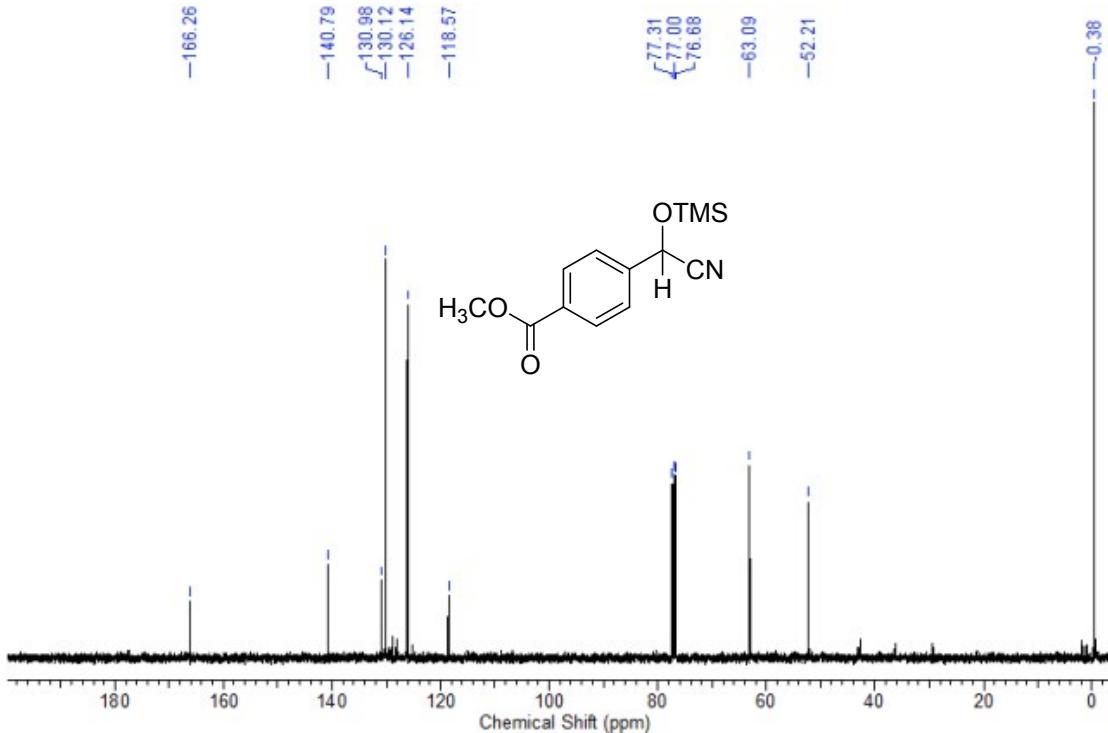
**Figure FS146.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective cyanosilylation of aldehydes.



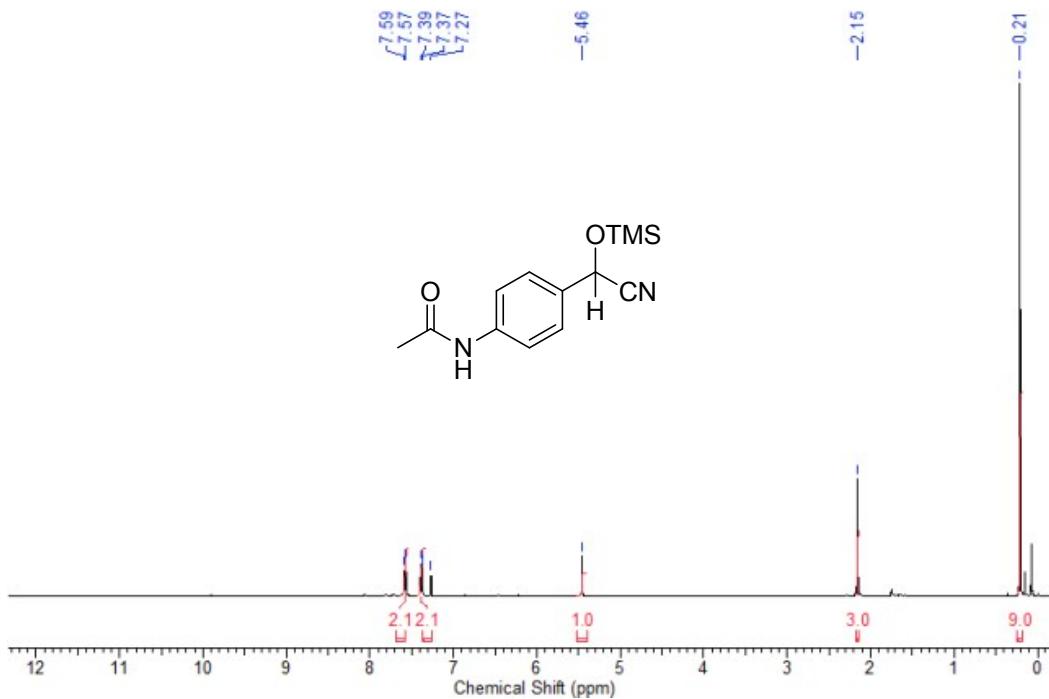
**Figure FS147.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of Chemo selective cyanosilylation of aldehydes.



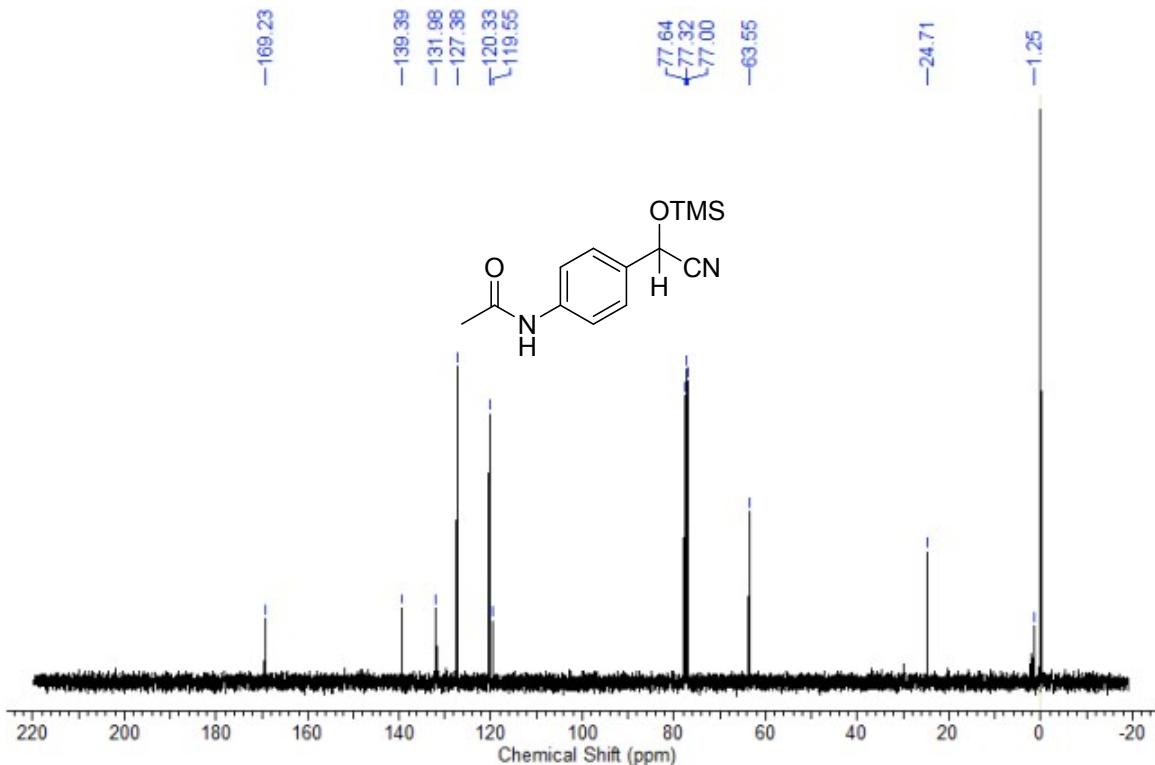
**Figure FS148.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective cyanosilylation of aldehydes.



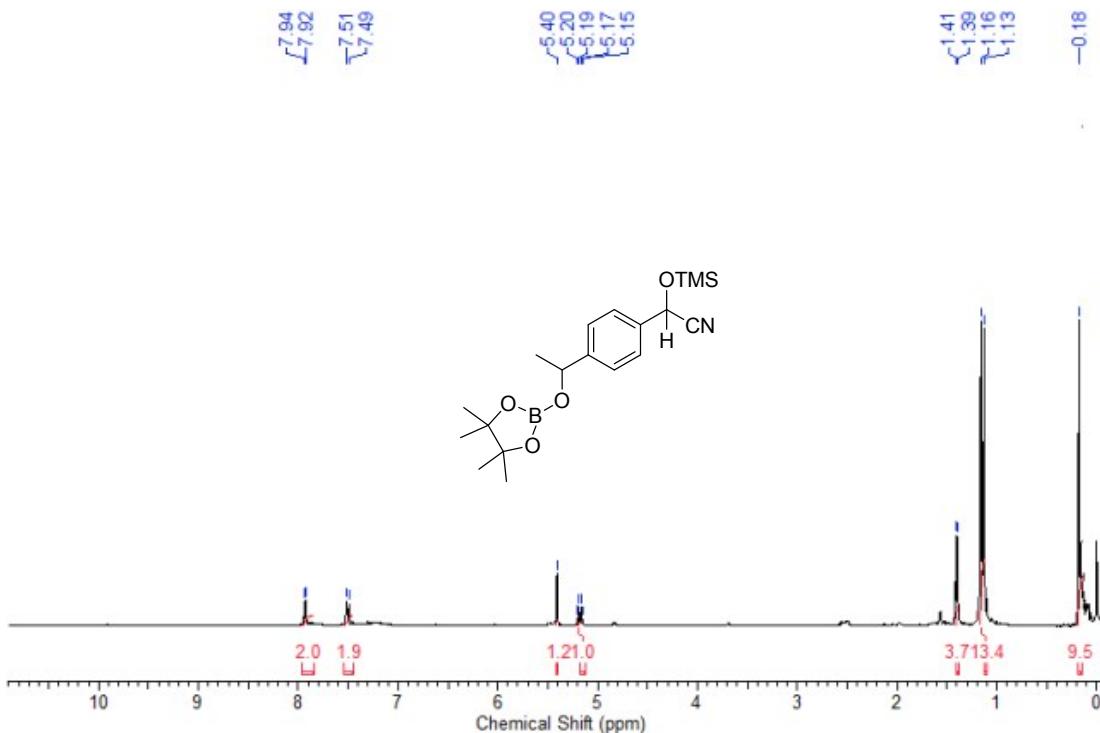
**Figure FS149.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of chemo selective cyanosilylation of aldehydes.



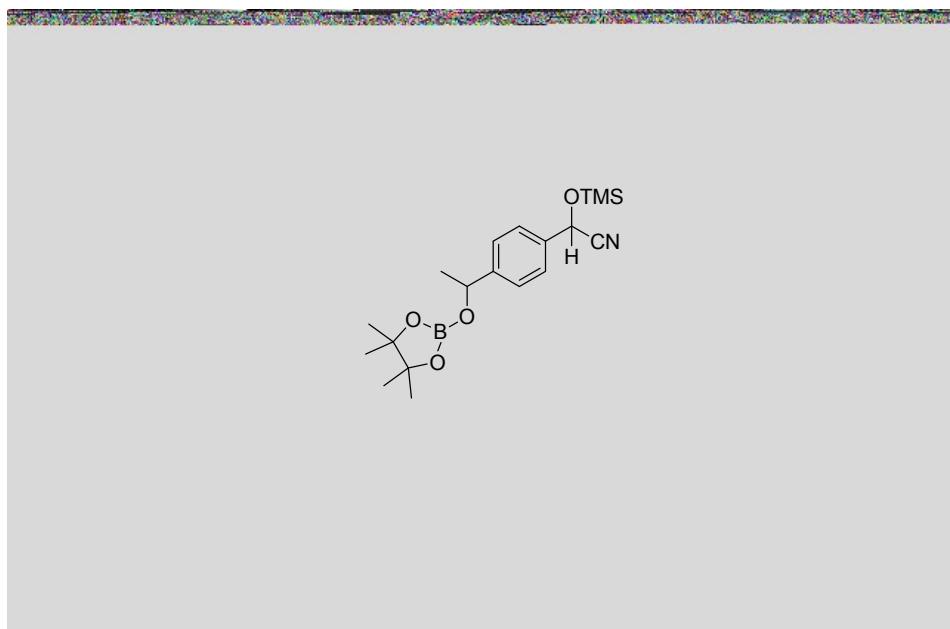
**Figure FS150.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of chemo selective cyanosilylation of aldehydes.



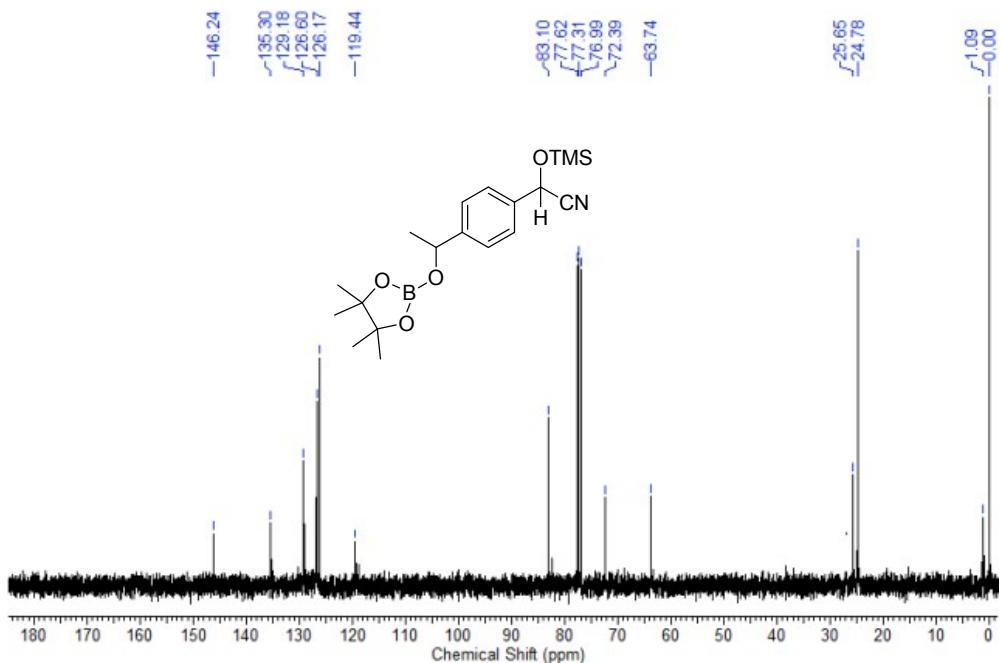
**Figure FS151.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of chemo selective cyanosilylation of aldehydes.



**Figure FS152.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of sequential cyanosilylation and hydroboration of 4-acetyl benzaldehyde.



**Figure FS153.** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (128.4 MHz, 25°C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of sequential cyanosilylation and hydroboration of 4-acetyl benzaldehyde.



**Figure FS154.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (100 MHz, 25°C,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of sequential cyanosilylation and hydroboration of 4-acetyl benzaldehyde.

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