

Dynamic Kinetic Resolution of Biaryl Atropisomers by Chiral Dialkylaminopyridine Catalysts

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1. General

All solvents were dried and degassed by standard methods and stored under nitrogen. Flash chromatography was performed using EM Science silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh) or on an ISCO Combiflash. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity/Inova-400 NB (400 MHz) spectrometer or Bruker Ascend™ 400 (400 MHz for ¹H) spectrometer. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity/Inova-400 NB (100 MHz) spectrometer or Bruker Ascend™ 400 (100 MHz for ¹³H) spectrometer. HPLC analyses were carried out with Waters 515 HPLC pumps and a 2487 dual wavelength absorbance detector connected to a PC with Empower workstation. Rotations were recorded on a JASCO-DIP-370 polarimeter. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained at a Waters ACQUITY UPLC with ESI Positive Mode.

2. HPLC Analysis of Substrate

HPLC analysis (Figure S1) of biaryl *rac*-**1a** suggested that at higher

temperature, the lesser resolution occurred. At room temperature, two clear peaks were assigned to two enantiomers of *rac*-**1a**. When raising the temperature, two peaks were getting close and started overlapping at 55 °C. Finally a single peak was observed at 80 °C.

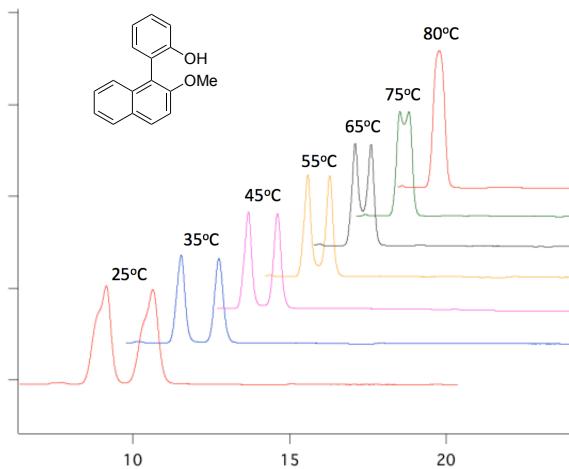


Figure S1. HPLC Analysis of Substrate

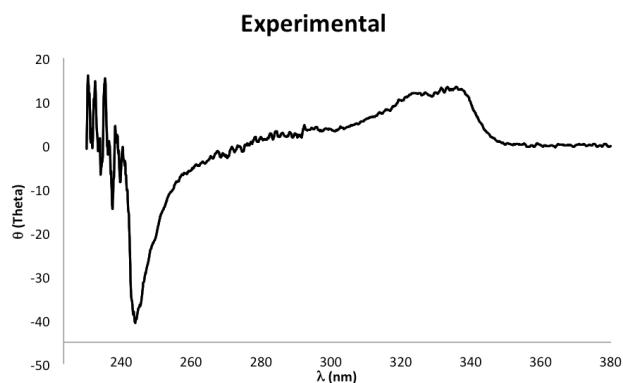
3. The Absolute Configuration Discussion

Electronic circular dichroism (ECD or CD) is a powerful spectroscopic method for solving stereochemical problems of chiral molecules.¹ By using quantum chemical calculations of time-dependent density functional theory (TD-DFT), ECD has become a rapid and reliable way to establish the absolute configuration of chiral compounds.² In this study, we employed ECD spectra and TD-DFT calculation to assign the absolute configuration of **2a**.

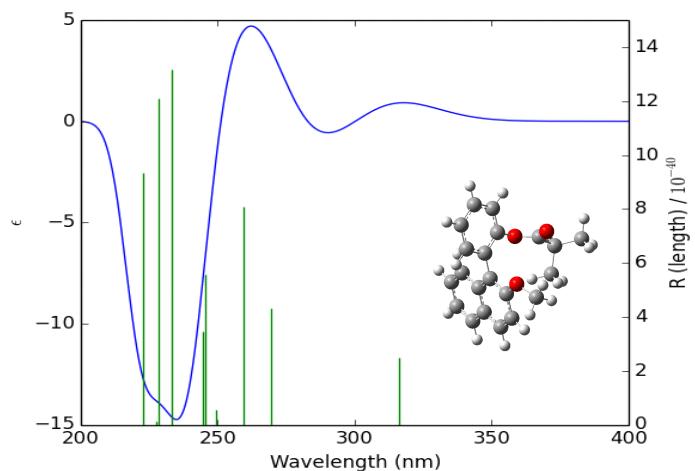
The ECD spectra of **2a** in methanol at a concentration of 0.8-0.9 mg/mL were recorded in a 1mm path length quartz cuvette using a Jasco J-815 CD spectrometer (Jasco Inc., Japan).

The ECD spectra were calculated by the TD-DFT method, which has been proven to be reliable in predicting ECD spectra and assigning the absolute configuration of organic molecules. Calculations of the ECD spectra of 3D structure of *S*-**2a** (Figure S2) were carried out using the TD-M06/6-31+G** level with Gaussian 09.³ Electronic excitation energies (nm) and rotational strengths ($\Delta\epsilon$) were calculated for structures A. In order to cover the 200-400 nm range, 19

transitions were calculated. As shown in Figure S2, the simulated spectra is in good agreement with the experimental spectral data, and the S configuration could be reliably assigned to compound **2a**. The remaining configurations of acylated products were assumed by analogy.



Experimental CD spectra of **2a**

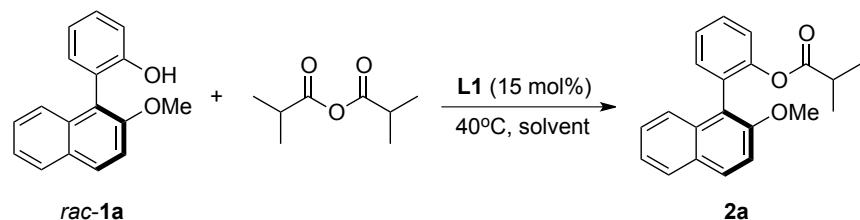


Simulated CD spectra of S-**2a**

Figure S2. TD-DFT Simulated Spectrum Calculated using B3LYP Method (M06/6-31+G(d,p)optimization, the first 19 excited states were calculated.)

5. Experimental Details and Characterization

Solvents evaluation



entry	Solvents	Time	Yield% ^a	e.r. ^b
1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	48h	95	87:13
2	THF	3d	64	71:29
3	ClCH ₂ CH ₂ Cl	40h	92	86:14
4	Toluene	40h	95	84:16
5	CHCl ₃	48h	95	87:12
6	DMF	3d	60	72:28
7	EtOAc	24h	87	81:19

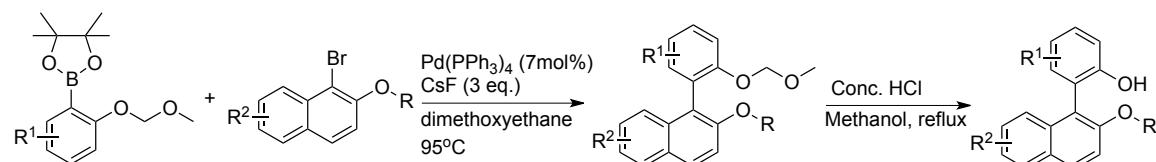
^a Conditions: racemic biaryl substrate **rac-1** (1 equiv.) and anhydride (1.2 equiv.) in the presence of catalyst **L1** (15 mol%). Solvent (2 ml), at 40 °C;

^b Determined by chiral HPLC analysis.

Table S1. Evaluation of Solvents

General procedure for the preparation of biaryl compounds

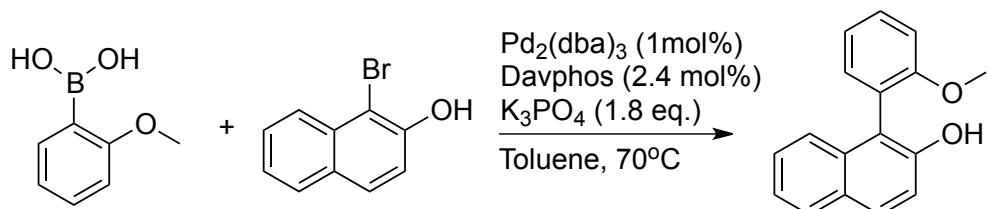
Condition A⁴ (**rac-1a**, **rac-1b**, **rac-1c**, **rac-1d**, **rac-1f**, **rac-1g**, **rac-1h**, **rac-1i**, **rac-1j**, **rac-1k**, **rac-1l**):



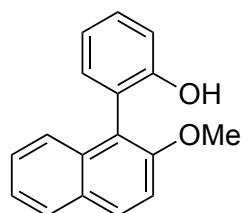
Under an atmosphere of argon, degassed dimethoxyethane solution was added to a mixture of 1-bromo-2-methoxynaphthalene (1 equiv.), 2-[2-(methoxymethoxy)phenyl]-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.1 equiv.), CsF (3 equiv.) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (7 mol%). After being stirred overnight at 95 °C, the resulting suspension was filtered through a pad of celite and washed with ethyl acetate. After evaporation *in vacuo*, the residue was purified by flash

chromatography on silica gel eluting with ethyl acetate/hexane (5/95) to yield MOM protected product (60-80 %yield). Concentrated HCl was added to a solution of MOM protected compound in methanol. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight under reflux. After removal of the solvent, flash column chromatography with ethyl acetate/hexane (5/95) gave the desired product. (70-90 %yield).

Condition B⁵ (*rac*-**1e**) :

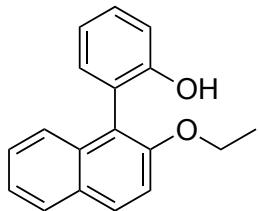


Under an atmosphere of argon, degassed toluene solution was added to a mixture of 1-bromo-2-naphthol (1 equiv.), 2-methoxyphenylboronic acid (1.5 equiv.), 2-dicyclohexylphosphino-2'-(N,N'-dimethylamino)biphenyl (Davephos) (2.4 mol%), Pd₂(dba)₃ (1 mol%) and K₃PO₄ (1.8 eq.). After being stirred overnight at 70 °C, the resulting suspension was filtered through a pad of celite and washed with ethyl acetate. After evaporation *in vacuo*, the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel eluting with ethyl acetate/hexane (5/95) to yield product. (50-60 %yield).

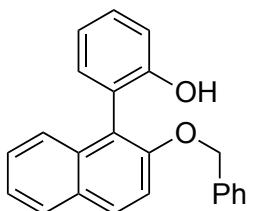


rac-1a. Condition A. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 3.92 (s, 3H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 7.1 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 2 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.87-7.89 (m, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 56.8, 113.5, 116.0, 118.5, 120.5, 122.4, 124.1, 125.0, 127.1, 126.6, 126.8, 128.1, 129.4, 129.4, 130.5,

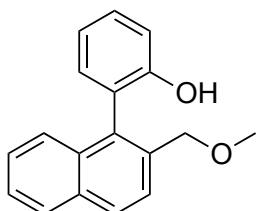
132.1, 133.7, 153.8, 154.5; ESI-HRMS: *m/z* calcd. for ($C_{17}H_{14}O_2Na$)⁺ 273.0886; found 273.0894.



rac-1b. Condition A. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 1.3 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 4.1-4.2 (m, 2H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 7.08 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dd, J = 7.2, 2 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.56-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.85-7.87 (m, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) δ 15, 65.7, 115.4, 116.2, 119.9, 120.4, 122.7, 124.2, 125.2, 126.9, 128.1, 129.3, 129.7, 130.3, 132.3, 133.8, 153.7, 153.9; ESI-HRMS *m/z* calcd. for ($C_{18}H_{17}O_2$)⁺ 265.1229; found 265.1232.

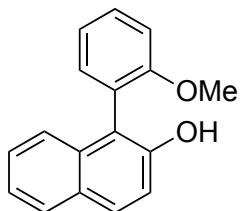


rac-1c. Condition A. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 4.96 (s, 1H), 5.12-5.19 (m, 2H), 7.07 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.2-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.82-7.86 (m, 1H), 7.9 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) δ 71.8, 116, 120.2, 120.5, 122.5, 124.4, 125.1, 127.04, 127.05, 127.8, 128.1, 128.5, 129.4, 129.8, 130.4, 132.1, 133.7, 136.8, 153.6, 153.8; ESI-HRMS *m/z* calcd. for ($C_{23}H_{18}O_2Na$)⁺ 349.1205; found 349.1207.

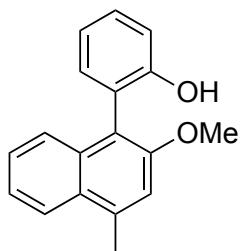


rac-1d. Condition A. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 3.33 (s, 3H), 4.34 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 7.05-7.14 (m,

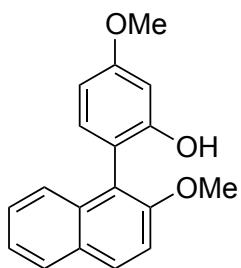
3H), 7.38-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.9 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 58.6, 73.3, 116.8, 120.7, 124.9, 126.2, 126.3, 126.61, 126.64, 128, 128.9, 129.7, 131.4, 132.9, 133, 133.5, 134.8, 153.9; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for ($\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$) $^+$ 287.1048; found 287.1055.



rac-1e. Condition B. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 3.78 (s, 3H), 5.32 (s, 1H), 7.15-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.4 (m, 5H), 7.51-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.83-7.85 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 55.8, 111.9, 117.7, 117.8, 121.5, 122.5, 123.2, 124.8, 126.3, 128, 129.1, 129.5, 130.2, 133.4, 133.5, 150.6, 157.8; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for ($\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$) $^+$ 251.1072; found 251.1077.

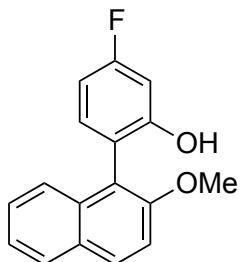


rac-1f. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 2.26 (s, 3H), 4.06 (s, 3H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 7.03-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.44 (m, 4H), 8.27-8.3 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 21.1, 55.8, 106.9, 115.4, 120.8, 122.2, 123.1, 124.7, 124.9, 125.3, 125.4, 127.4, 129.5, 131.7, 134.1, 136.4, 153.7, 155.8; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for ($\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2$) $^+$ 265.1229; found 265.1223.

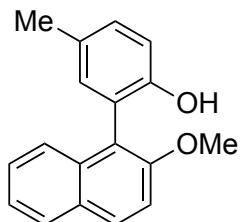


rac-1g. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 3.87 (s, 3H),

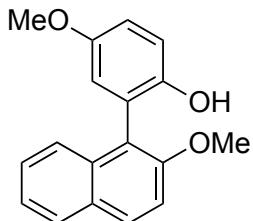
3.9 (s, 3H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 6.67 (td, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.52-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.83-7.86 (m, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 55.5, 57, 101.6, 107.1, 113.7, 114.8, 118.6, 124.2, 125.3, 127.2, 128.2, 129.7, 130.5, 132.8, 134.3, 154.8, 154.9, 160.9; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_3)^+$ 281.1178; found 281.1183.



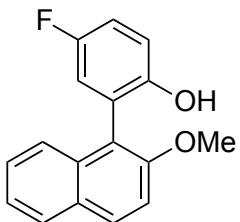
rac-1h. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 3.9 (s, 3H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 6.8 (td, J = 8.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, J = 10, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, J = 8.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.46-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.85-7.87 (m, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 56.7, 103.6 (d, J = 25 Hz), 107.7 (d, J = 22 Hz), 113.4, 117.4, 118.3 (d, J = 4 Hz), 124.2, 124.7, 127.3, 128.2, 129.4, 130.8, 132.9 (d, J = 9 Hz), 133.8, 154.7, 155 (d, J = 12 Hz), 163.4 (d, J = 244 Hz); ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz) δ -112.7; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}_2)^+$ 269.0978; found 269.0976.



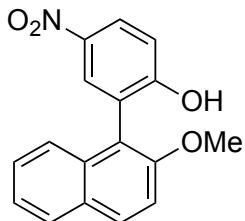
rac-1i. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 2.35 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.8 (s, 1H), 7-7.03 (m, 2H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.51-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.84-7.86 (m, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 20.6, 56.8, 113.4, 115.8, 118.7, 122.1, 124, 125.1, 127, 128, 129.4, 129.6, 130, 130.4, 132.4, 133.8, 151.6, 154.4; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2)^+$ 265.1229; found 265.1231.



rac-1j. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (dd, J = 8.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.84-7.87 (m, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 55.8, 56.8, 113.5, 115.1, 116.81, 116.84, 118.7, 123.1, 124.1, 125, 127.1, 128.1, 129.4, 130.5, 133.6, 147.9, 153.4, 154.3; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_3)^+$ 281.1178; found 281.1181.



rac-1k. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 6.95 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.1 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.48-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.85-7.87 (m, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 56.8, 113.3, 115.8 (d, J = 23 Hz), 116.9 (d, J = 8 Hz), 117.5, 118.2 (d, J = 23 Hz), 123.5 (d, J = 8 Hz), 124.2, 124.6, 127.4, 128.2, 129.4, 130.9, 133.3, 149.9 (d, J = 3 Hz), 154.4, 156.8 (d, J = 236 Hz); ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz) δ -124.5; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}_2)^+$ 269.0978; found 269.0976.

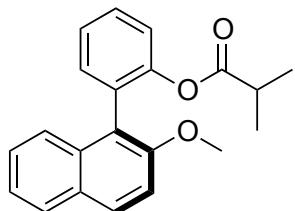


rac-1l. Condition A. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 3.91 (s, 3H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.87-7.9 (m, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (dd, J = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C

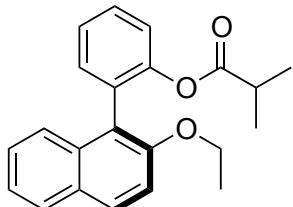
NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 56.6, 113, 115.1, 116.3, 123.1, 123.9, 124.5, 125.6, 127.9, 128.4, 128.5, 129.3, 131.8, 133.1, 141.6, 154.9, 159.5; ESI-HRMS m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_4)^+$ 296.0923; found 296.0926.

General procedure for dynamic kinetic resolution of biaryl compounds

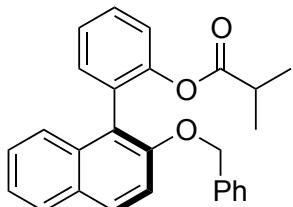
To a mixture of racemic biaryl compounds (0.05 mmol), catalyst (15 mol%), Proton sponge (0.06 mmol) and Molecular sieves 13X (Aldrich), 2 ml dry CHCl_3 was added. Under 40 °C, isobutyric anhydride (0.06 mmol) was added. After stirring for indicated time in Scheme 2, the reaction mixture was purified by column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate = 95/5) to afford the corresponding ester. The optical purity of the obtained product was determined by chiral HPLC.



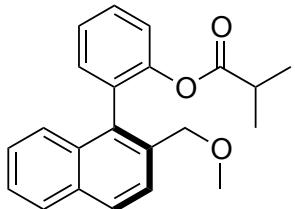
2a (90:10 er) HPLC (UV 220 nm, Chiraldak AD-3, *i*-PrOH/Hexane = 3/97, 0.5 mL/min), t_1 (minor) = 12.8 min, t_2 (major) = 14.8 min. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ 12.1 (c 0.66, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 0.66 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.7 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 2.3 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 7.28-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.43 (m, 6H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.81-7.83 (m, 1H), 7.9 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 18.2, 18.3, 33.8, 56.7, 113.4, 120.4, 122.8, 123.6, 125.2, 125.7, 126.4, 127.6, 128.6, 128.8, 129.4, 129.5, 132.5, 133.4, 149.3, 154.2, 174.7; ESI-HRMS: m/z calcd. for $(\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3\text{Na})^+$ 343.1305; found 343.1302.



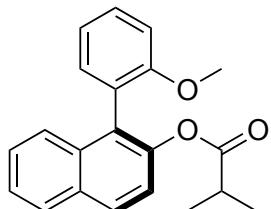
2b (89:11 er) HPLC (UV 220 nm, Chiralpak AD-3, *i*-PrOH/Hexane = 1/99, 0.5 mL/min), t_1 (minor) = 14.7 min, t_2 (major) = 20 min. $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ 19.1 (*c* 0.69, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 0.63 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.68 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 2.27 (m, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.04-4.12 (m, 2H), 7.27 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.3-7.42 (m, 6H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.8 (m, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 15, 18.2, 33.8, 65.4, 115.3, 121.3, 122.7, 123.6, 125.3, 125.5, 126.3, 127.6, 128.4, 129, 129.4, 129.5, 132.6, 133.5, 149.3, 153.6, 174.7; ESI-HRMS *m/z* calcd. for $(\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{Na})^+$ 357.1467; found 357.1460.



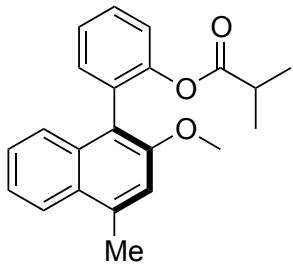
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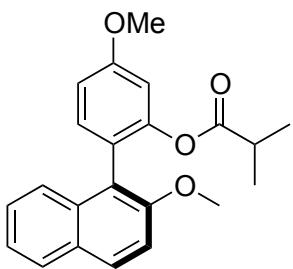
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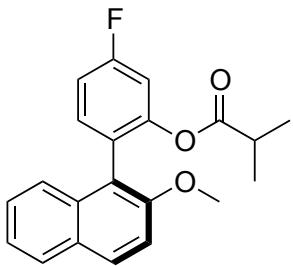
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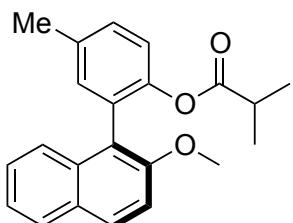
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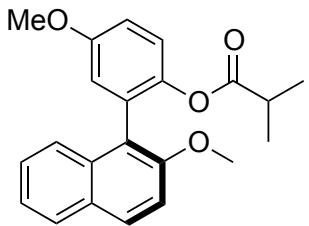
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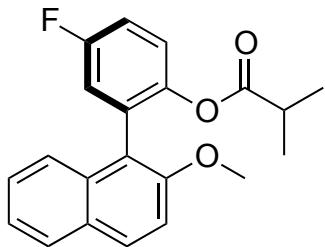
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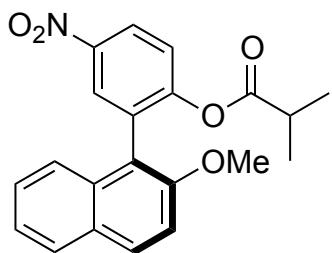
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2j (87:13 er) HPLC (UV 220 nm, Chiralpak IA, *i*-PrOH/Hexane = 1/99, 0.5 mL/min), t_1 (minor) = 20.5 min, t_2 (major) = 27.7 min. $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ 28.3 (*c* 0.84, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 0.61 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.65 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 2.25 (m, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 6.9 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.3-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.8 (m, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 18.2, 18.3, 33.8, 55.6, 56.8, 113.4, 114, 117.3, 120.3, 123.4, 123.6, 125.2, 126.5, 127.6, 128.8, 129.6, 130.2, 133.3, 142.9, 154.1, 157, 175.1; ESI-HRMS *m/z* calcd. for (C₂₂H₂₂O₄Na)⁺ 373.1416; found 373.1414.



2k (87:13 er) HPLC (UV 220 nm, Chiralpak IA, *i*-PrOH/Hexane = 1/99, 0.4 mL/min), t_1 (minor) = 16.6 min, t_2 (major) = 22.5 min. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -0.4 (*c* 0.83, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 0.61 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.65 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 2.25 (m, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.4 (m, 4H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 18.16, 18.19, 33.7, 56.7, 113.2, 115.2 (d, *J* = 23 Hz), 119.07 (d, *J* = 17 Hz), 119.2, 123.7, 124 (d, *J* = 9 Hz), 124.8, 126.7, 127.8, 128.8, 130, 131.2 (d, *J* = 8 Hz), 133.1, 145.2 (d, *J* = 2 Hz), 154.1, 160 (d, *J* = 243 Hz), 174.8; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, 376 MHz) δ -117.6; ESI-HRMS *m/z* calcd. for (C₂₁H₁₉FO₃Na)⁺ 361.1216; found 361.1215.



2I (51:49 er) HPLC (UV 220 nm, Chiralpak AD-H, *i*-PrOH/Hexane = 5/95, 0.5 mL/min), t_1 (major) = 28.2 min, t_2 (minor) = 36 min. $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ 2.5 (*c* 0.9, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 0.66 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.69 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 2.3 (m, J = 7.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 7.27-7.3 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.4 (m, 3H), 7.44 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81-7.84 (m, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 18.08, 18.1, 33.9, 56.5, 112.9, 117.6, 123.8, 123.9, 124, 124.2, 127.1, 128, 128.4, 128.7, 130.6, 131.1, 132.8, 145.4, 154.2, 154.4, 174; ESI-HRMS *m/z* calcd. for $(\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5\text{Na})^+$ 388.1161; found 388.1164.

5. Crystal Structure of Catalyst L1

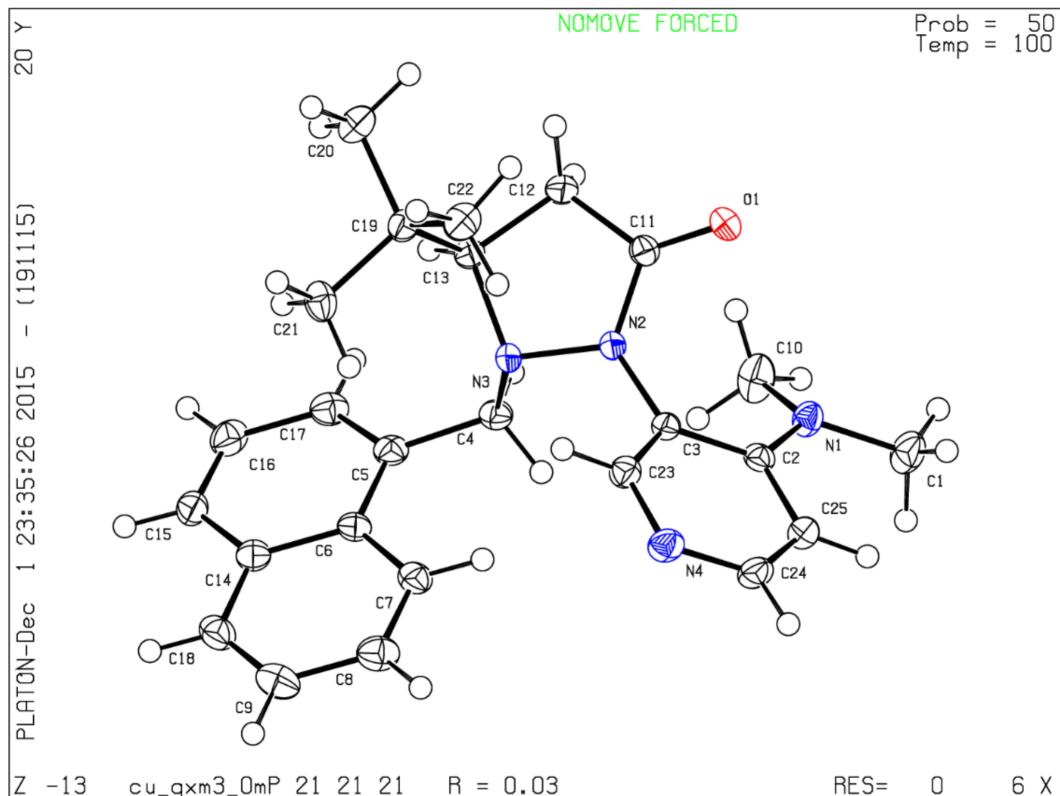


Figure S3. Crystal Structure of Catalyst L1

X-ray Structure determination: Single crystal X-ray diffraction data of L1 was collected on a Bruker APEX-II CCD diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100K during data collection. Cu radiation was used for the sample. Using Olex2,⁶ the structure was solved with the ShelXS⁷ structure solution program using Direct Methods and refined with the XL refinement package using Least Squares minimization. Basic information pertaining to crystal parameters and structure refinement is summarized in Table S2.

Identification code	cu_gxm3_0m
Empirical formula	C ₂₅ H ₃₀ N ₄ O
Formula weight	402.53

Temperature	100K
Crystal system	orthorhombic
space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
a/Å	11.2926(3)
b/Å	12.7919(3)
c/Å	15.5672(4)
α, deg	90
β, deg	90
γ, deg	90
V, Å ³	2248.74(10)
Z	4
d _{calcd} , g.cm ⁻³	1.189
μ, mm ⁻¹	0.580
F(000)	864.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.25 × 0.23 × 0.2
Radiation	CuKa (λ = 1.54178)
2Θ range for data collection	8.948 to 133.288
Index ranges	-12 ≤ h ≤ 13, -15 ≤ k ≤ 11, -18 ≤ l ≤ 18
Reflections collected	15267
Independent reflections	3960 [R _{int} = 0.0252, R _{sigma} = 0.0209]
Data/restraints/parameters	3960/0/276
GOOF on F ²	1.057
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0279, wR ₂ = 0.0693
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0292, wR ₂ = 0.0702
Largest diff. peak/hole/e Å ⁻³	0.15/-0.16
Flack parameter	0.00(8)

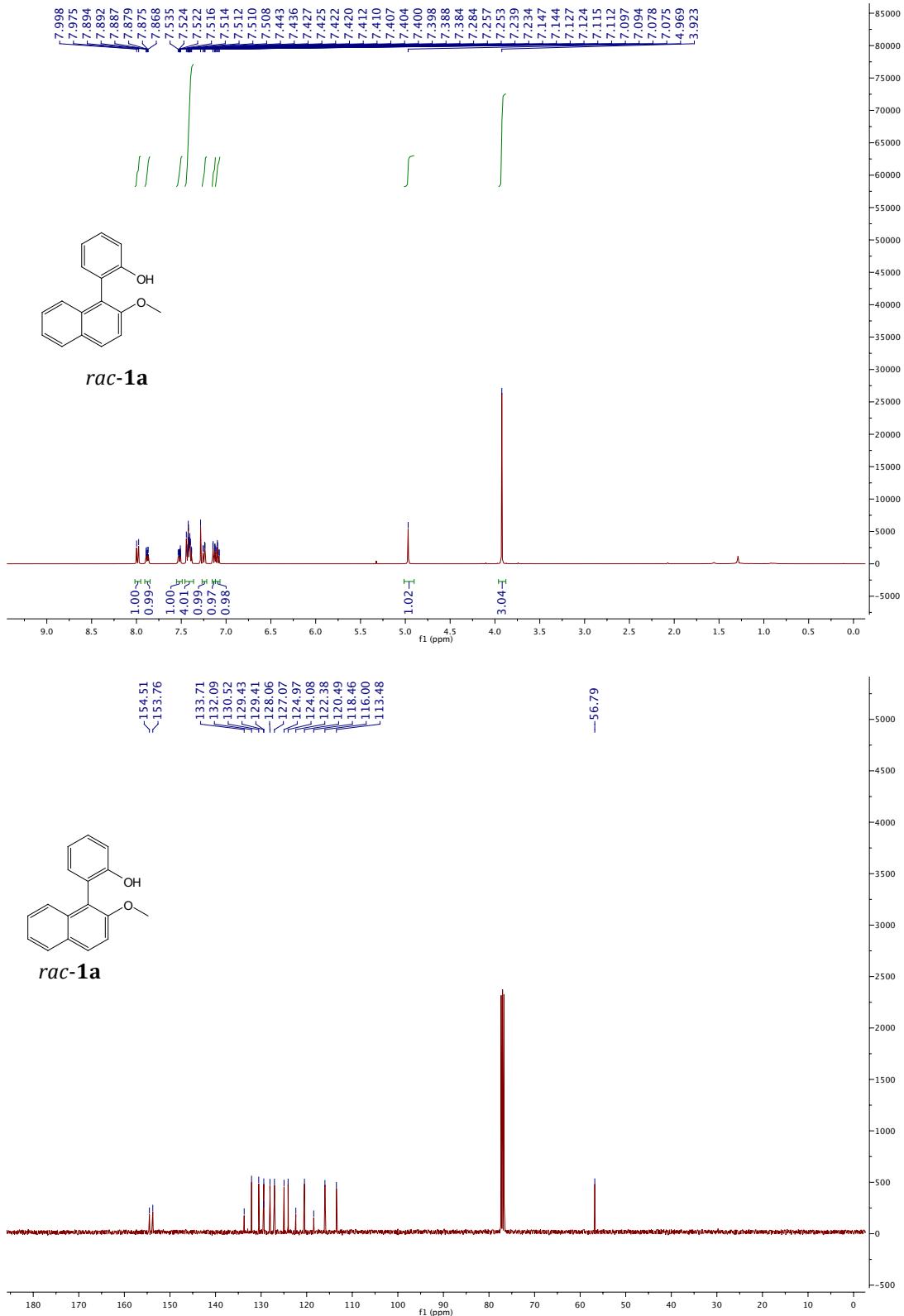
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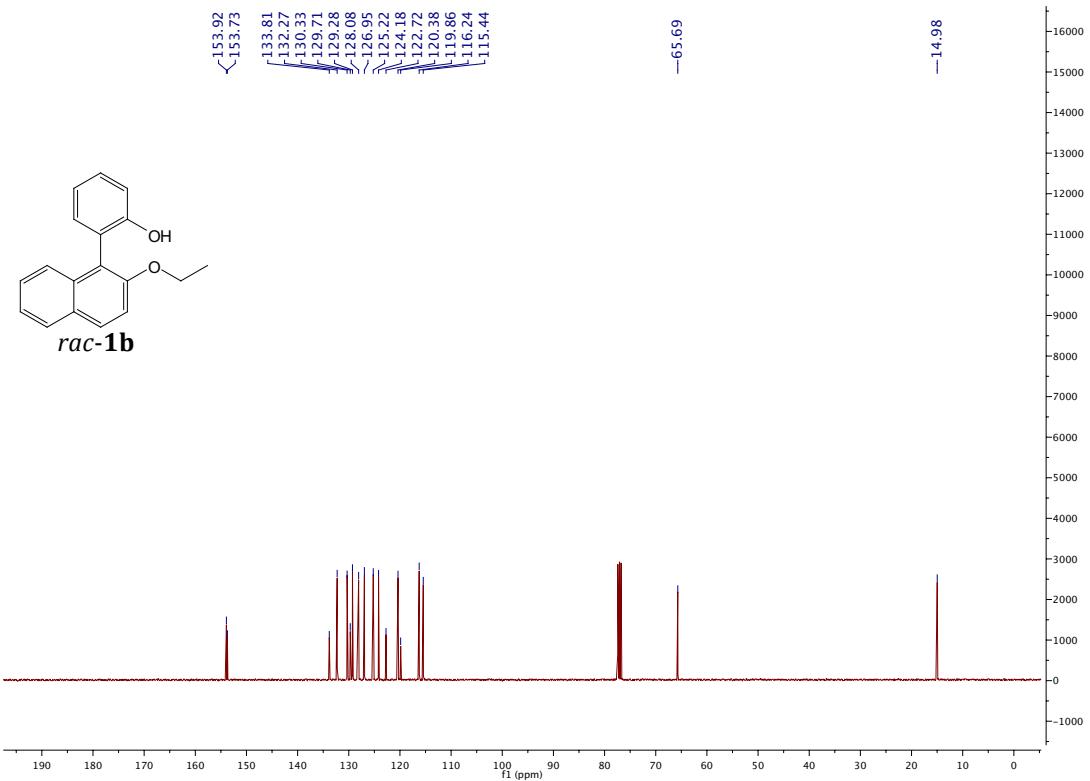
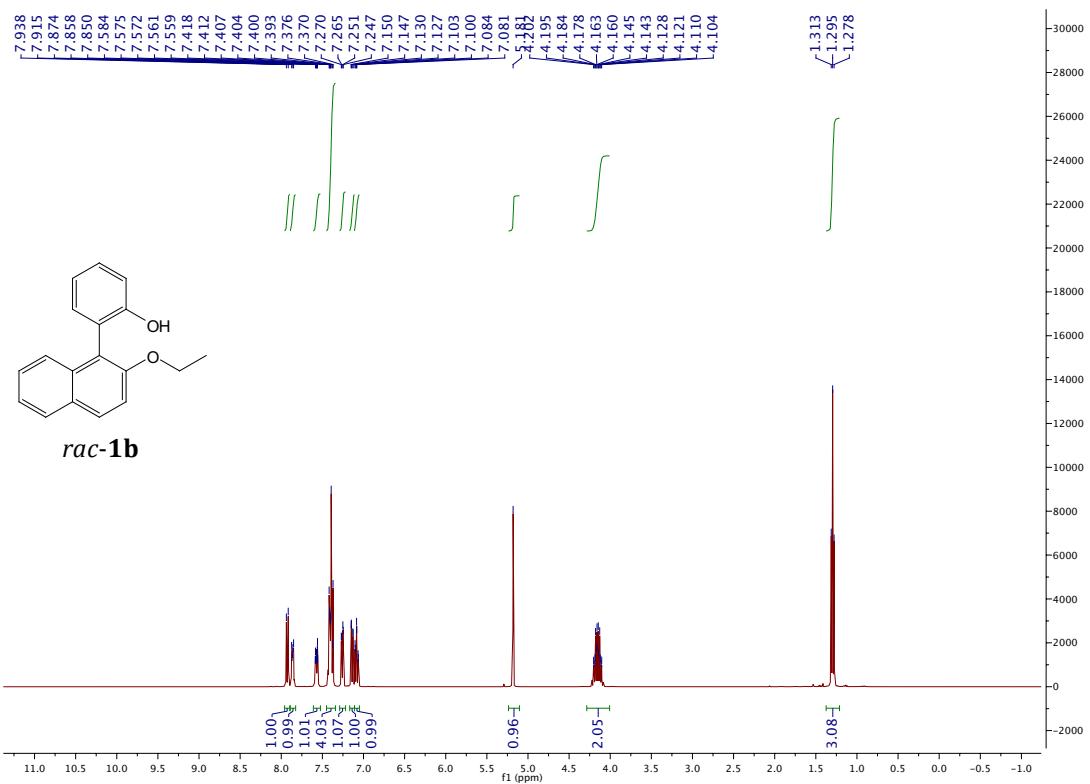
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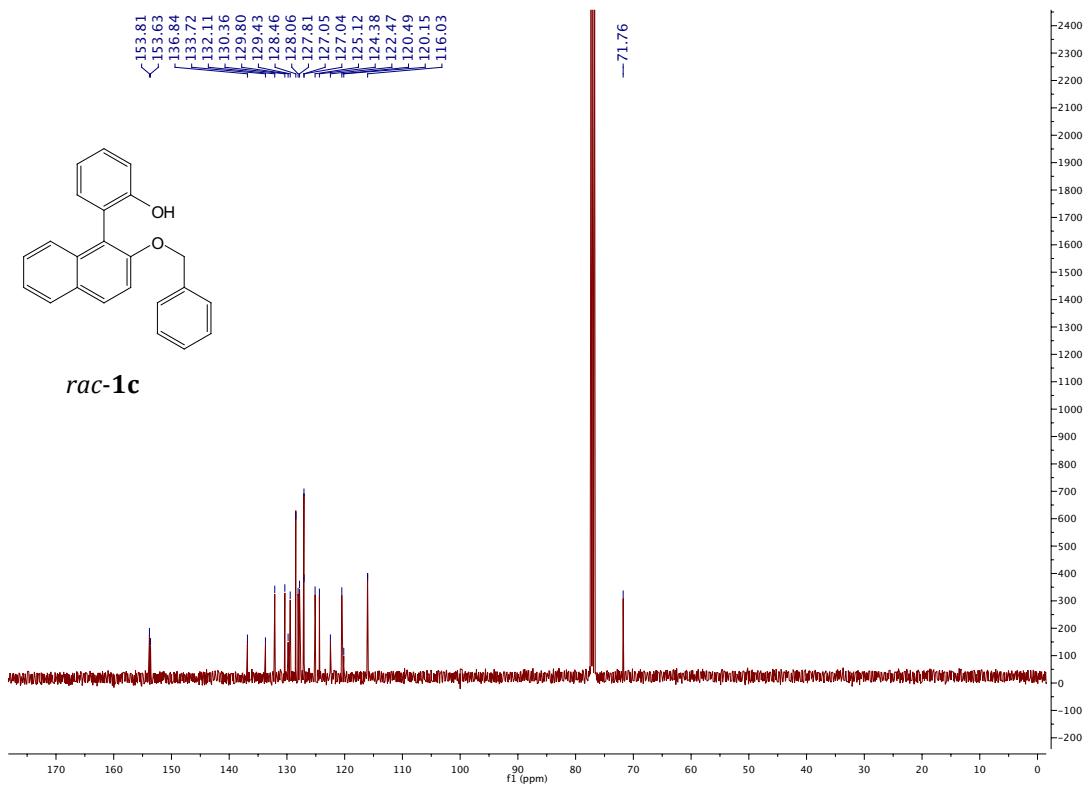
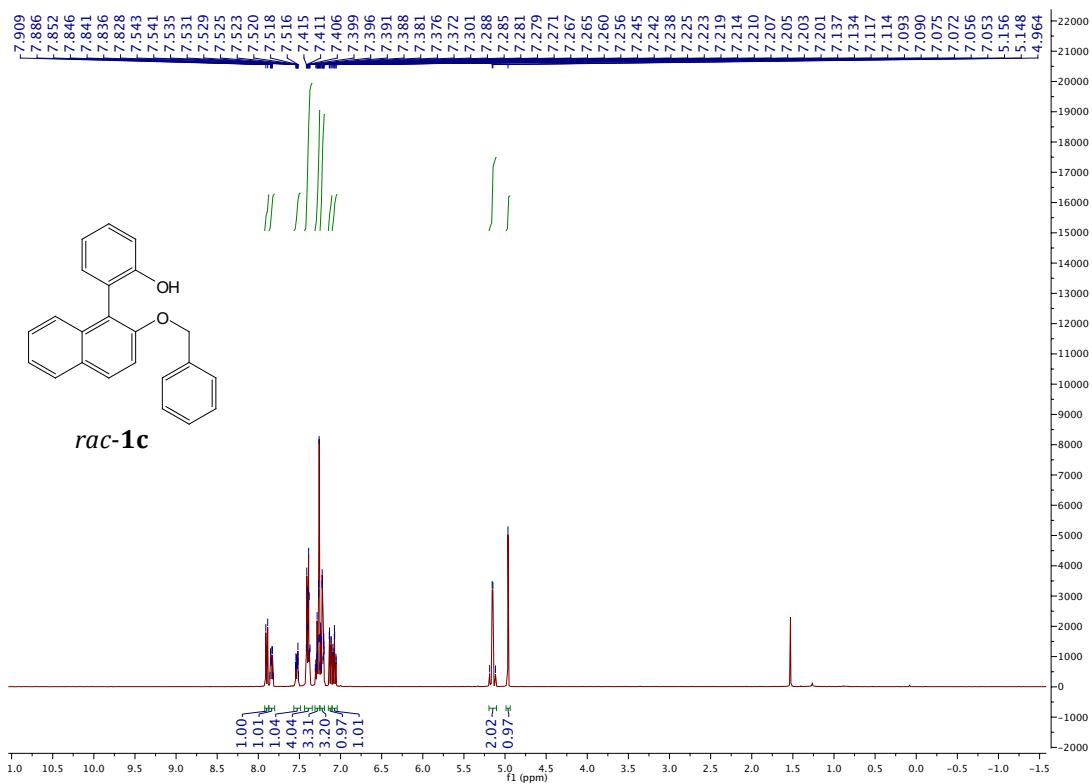
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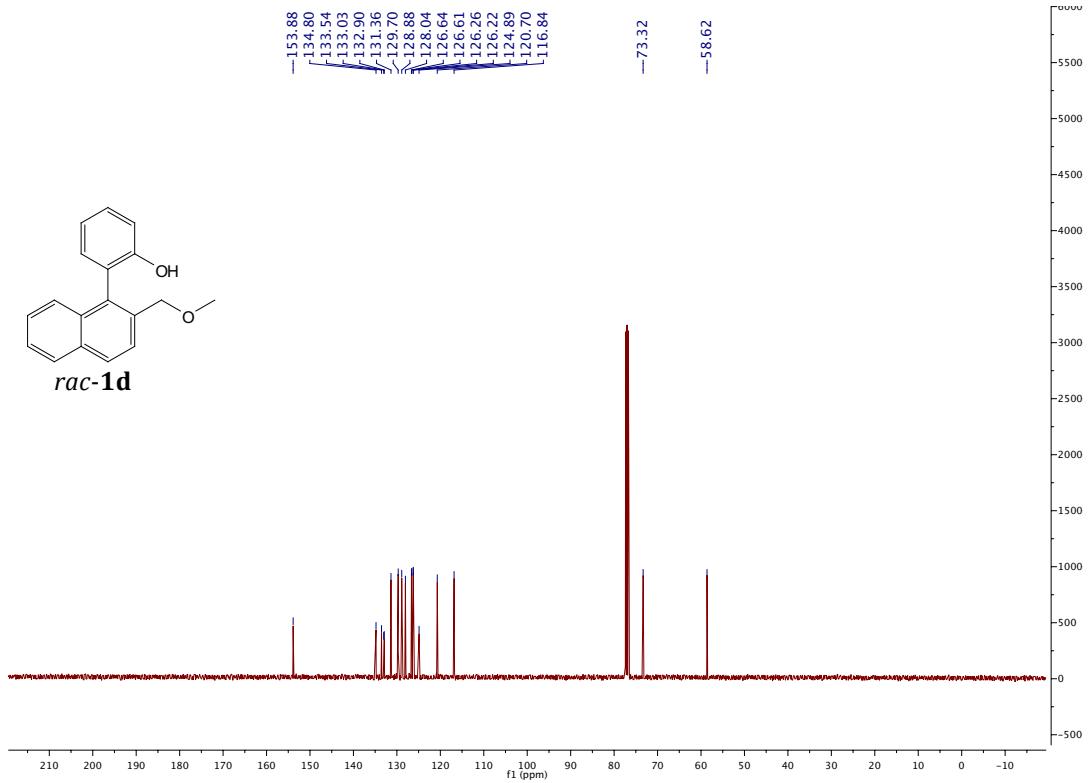
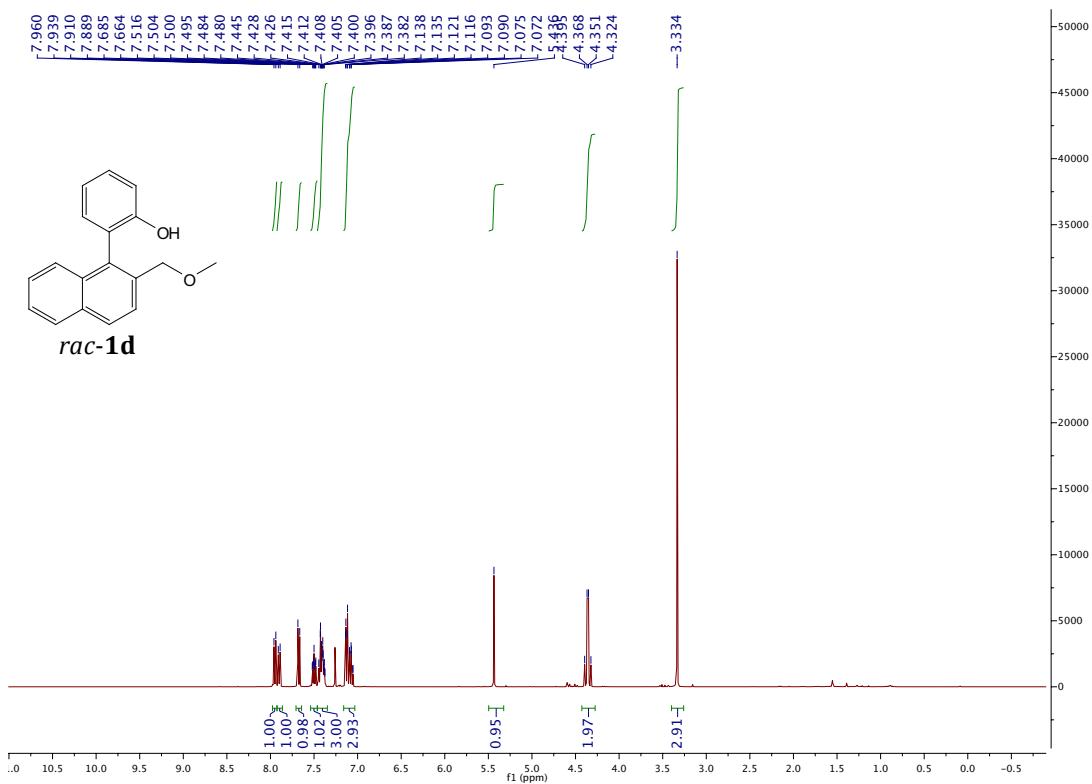
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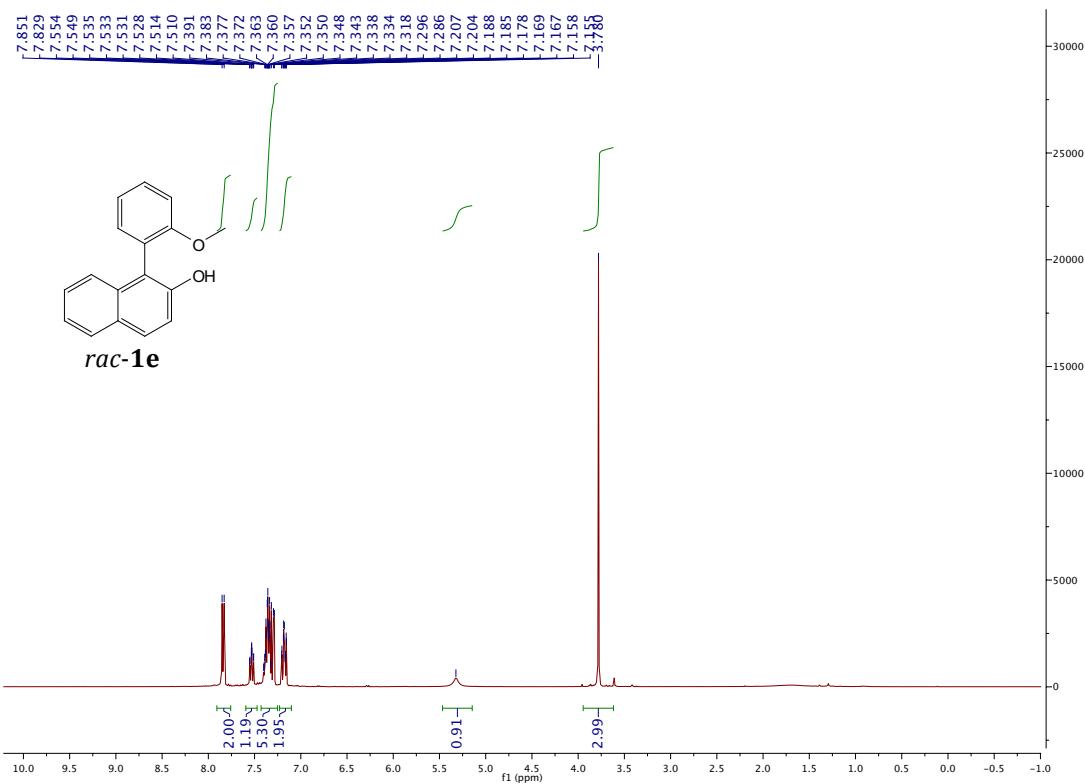
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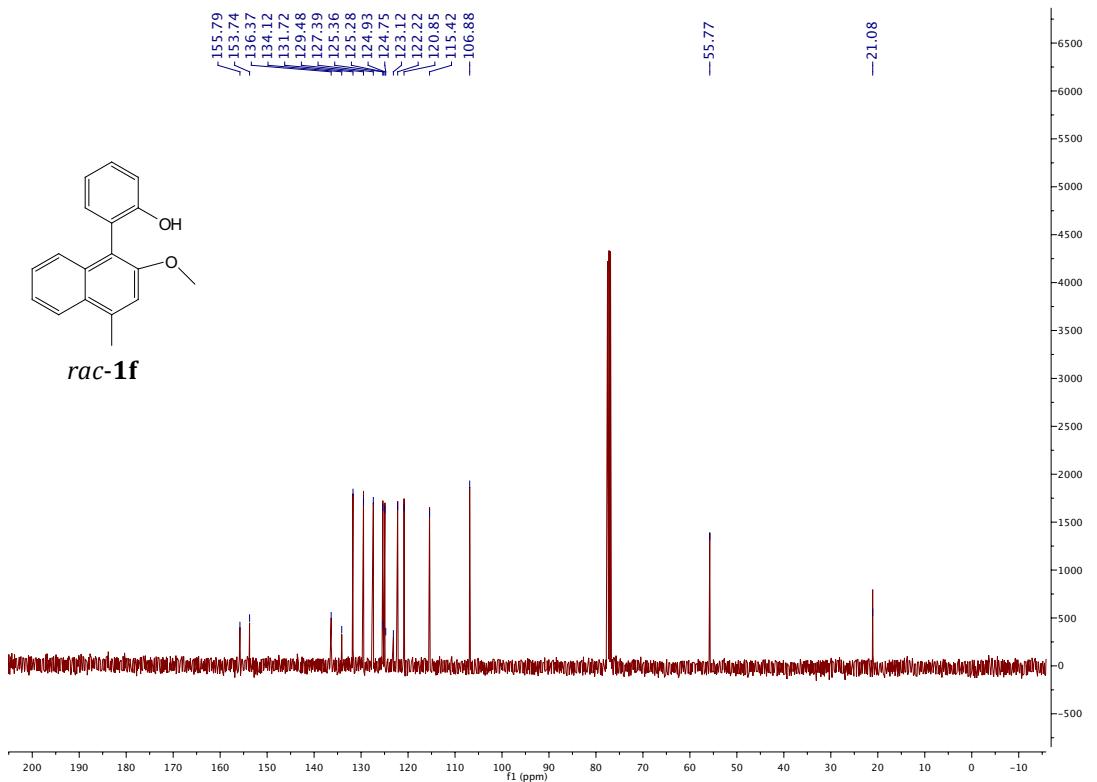
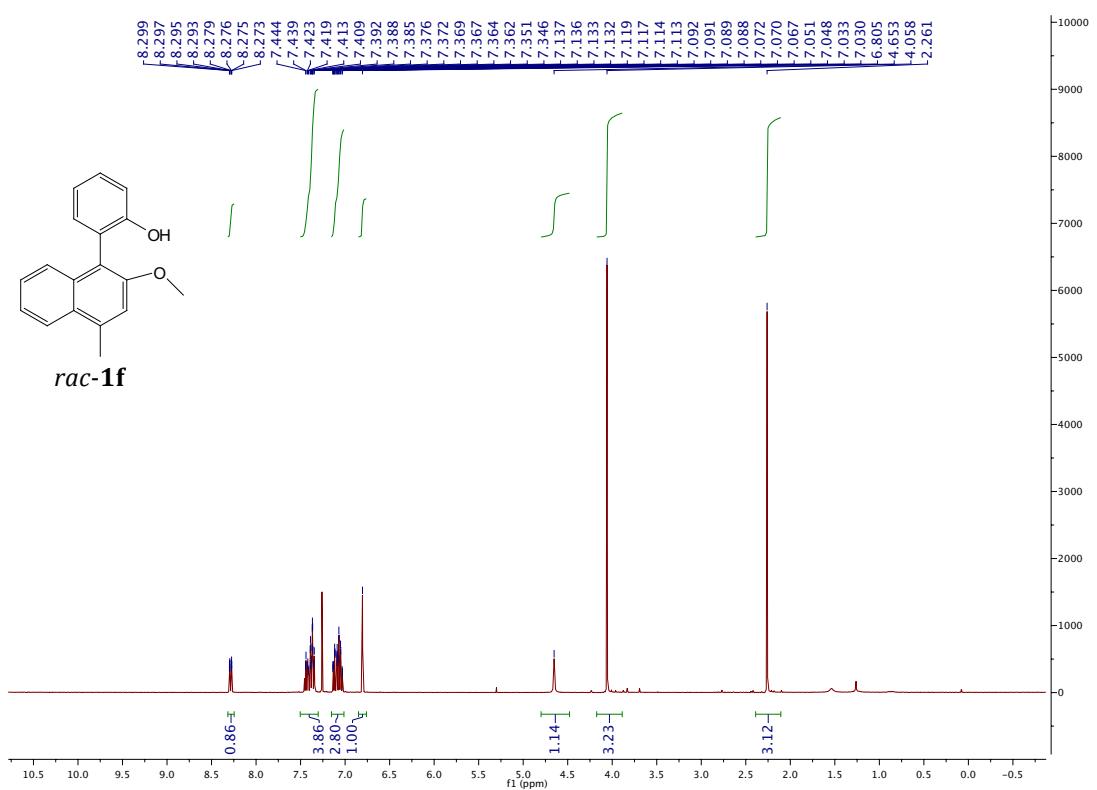


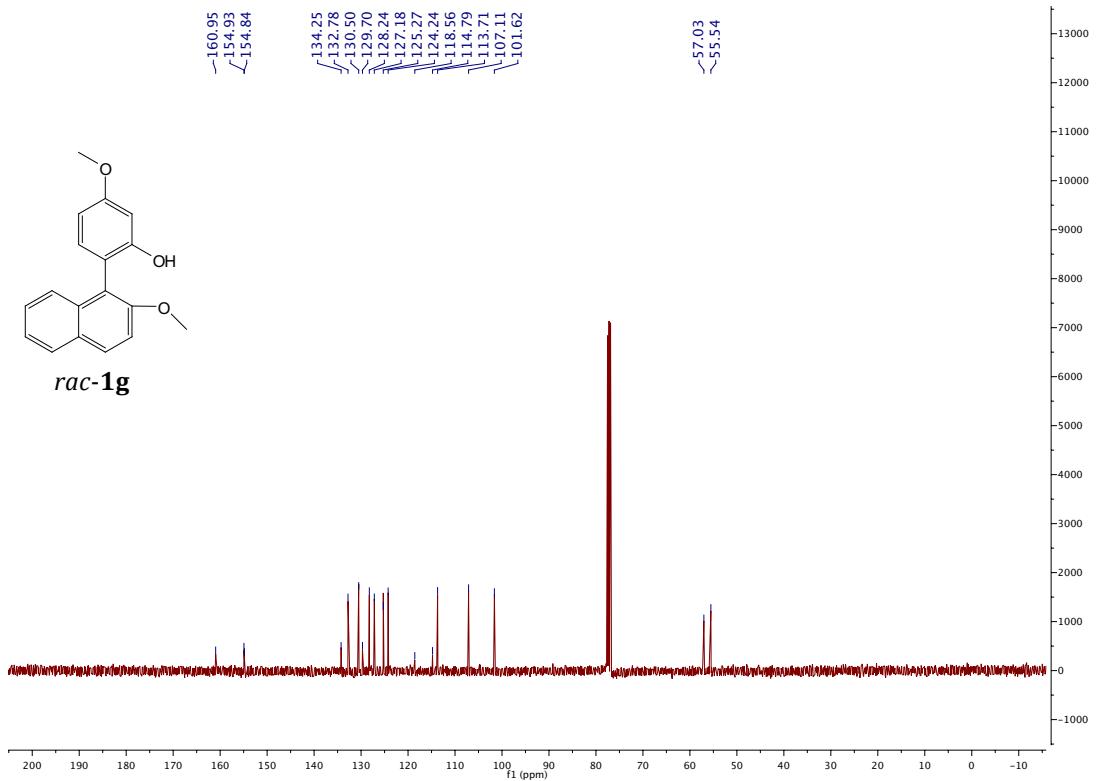
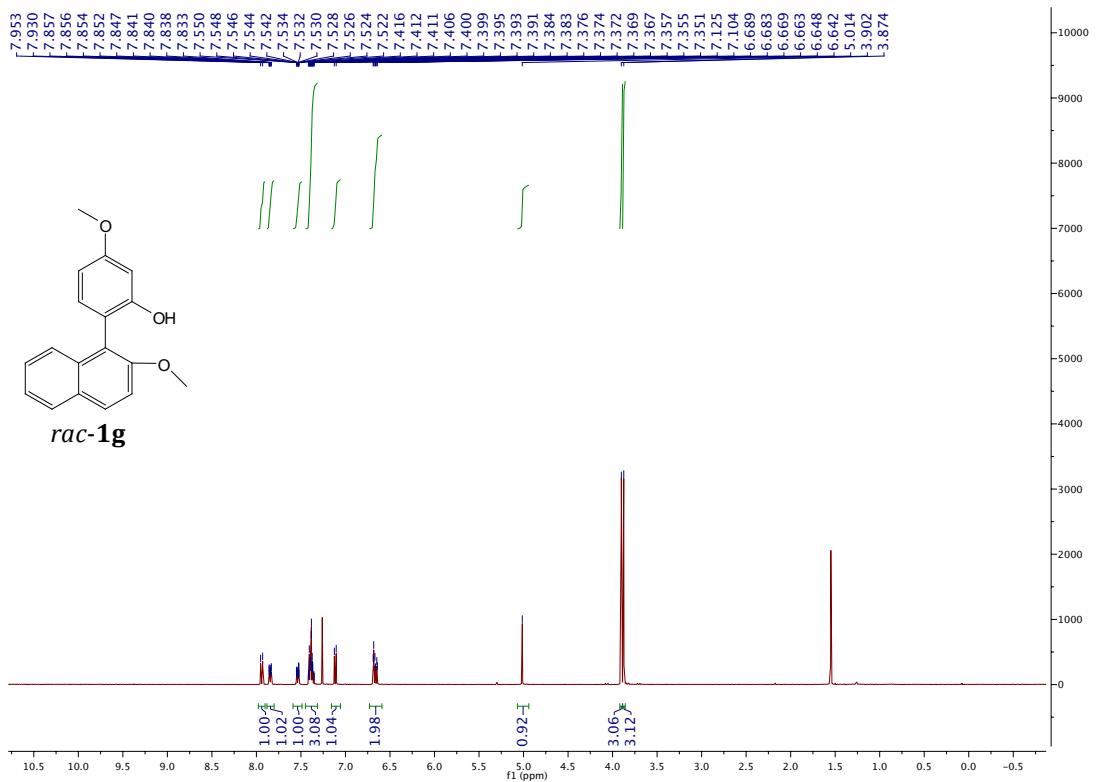


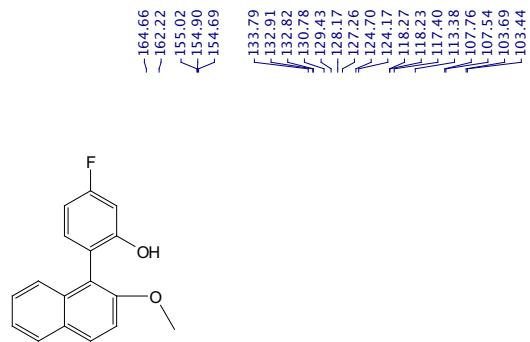
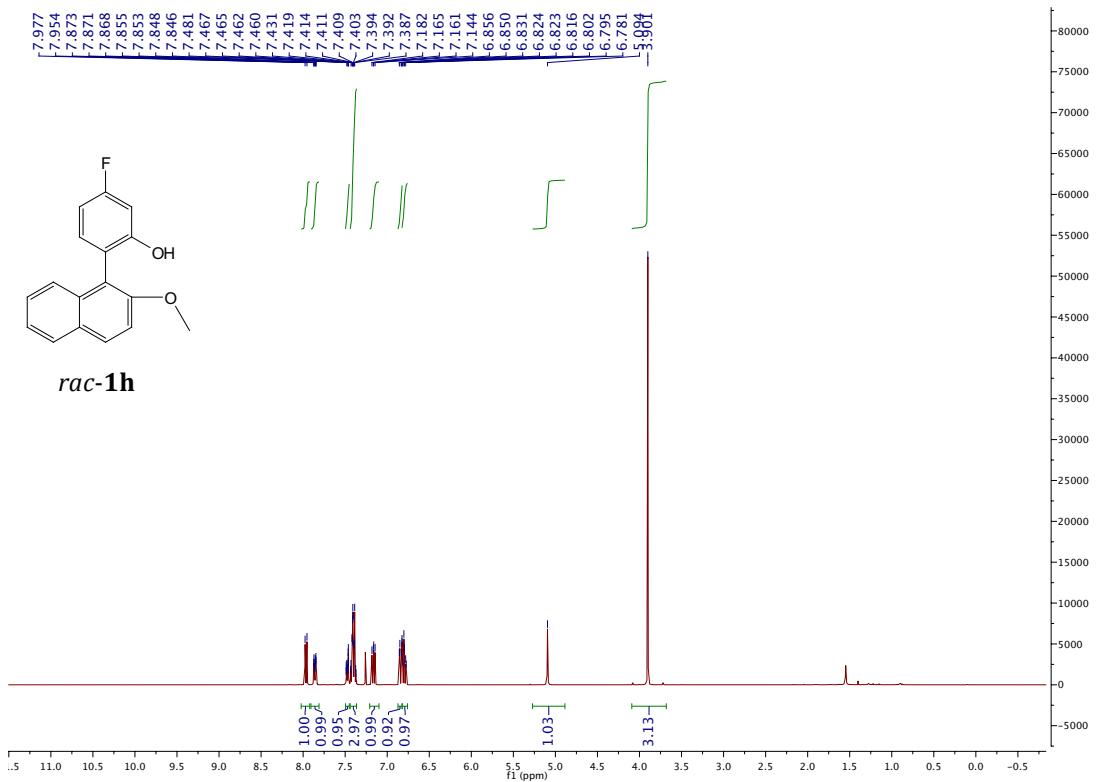




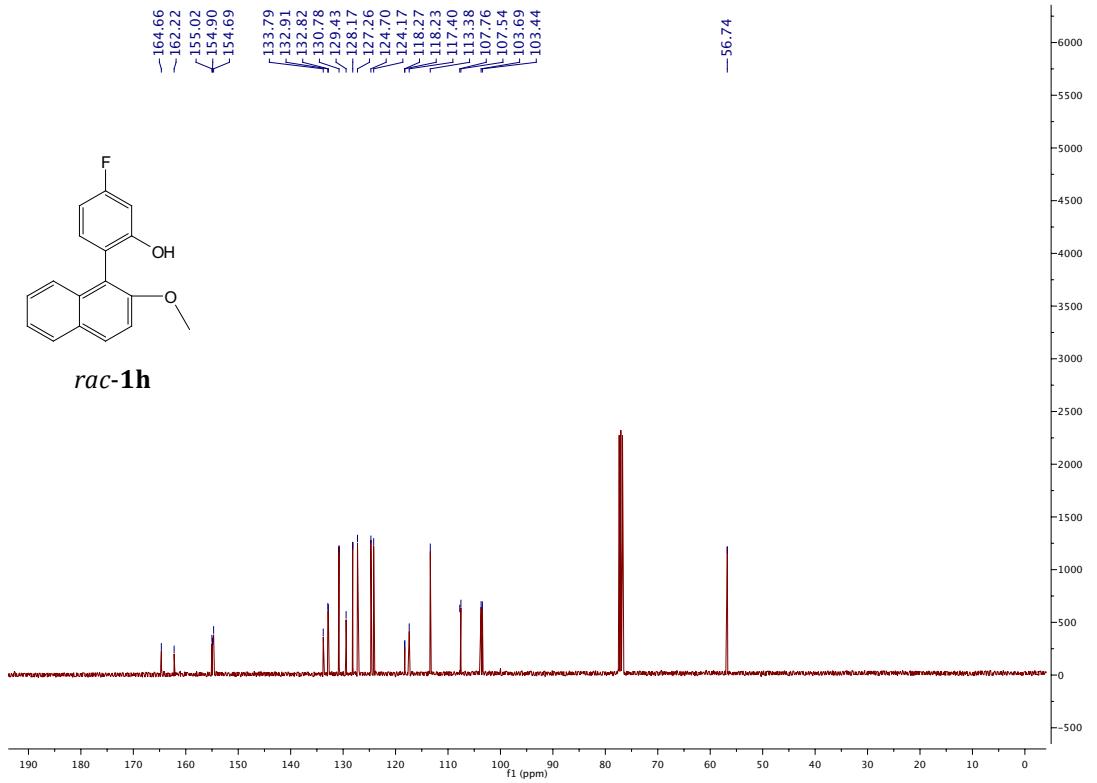


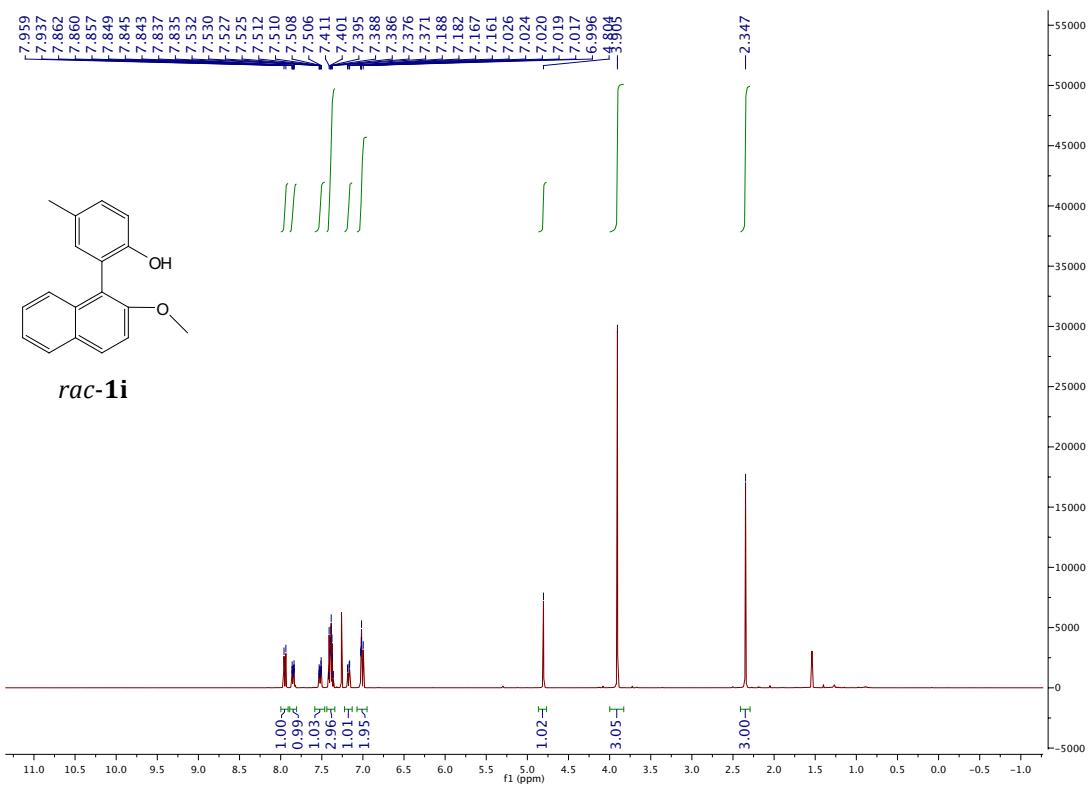
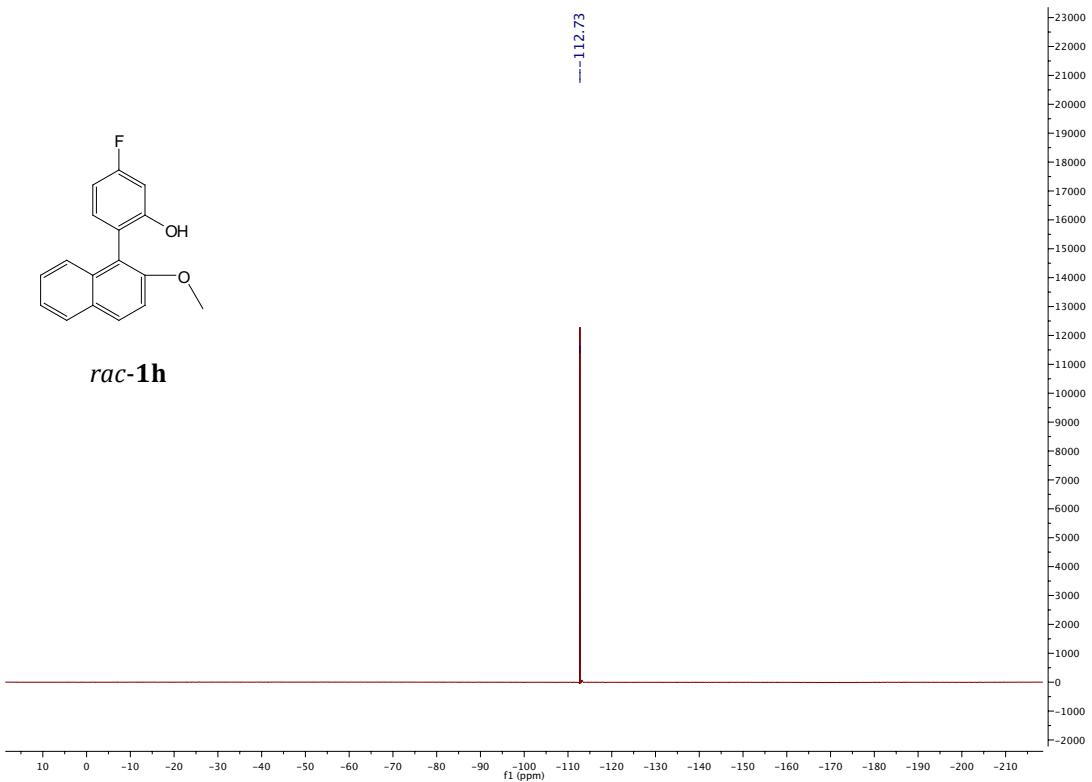


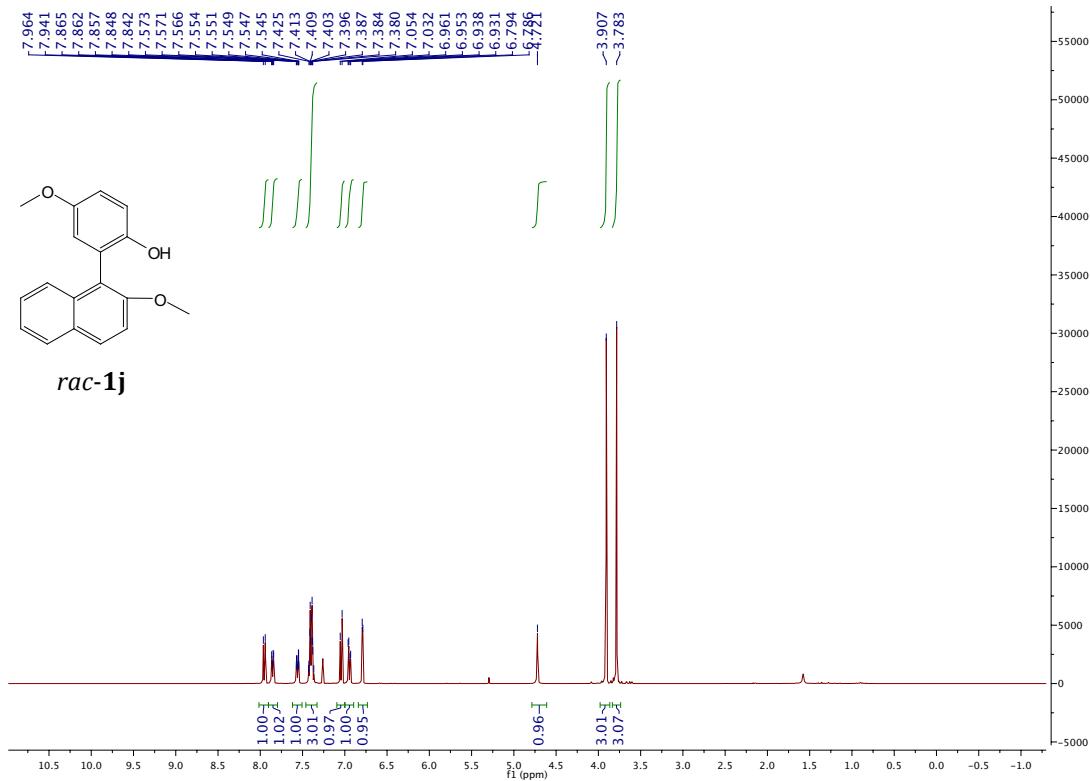
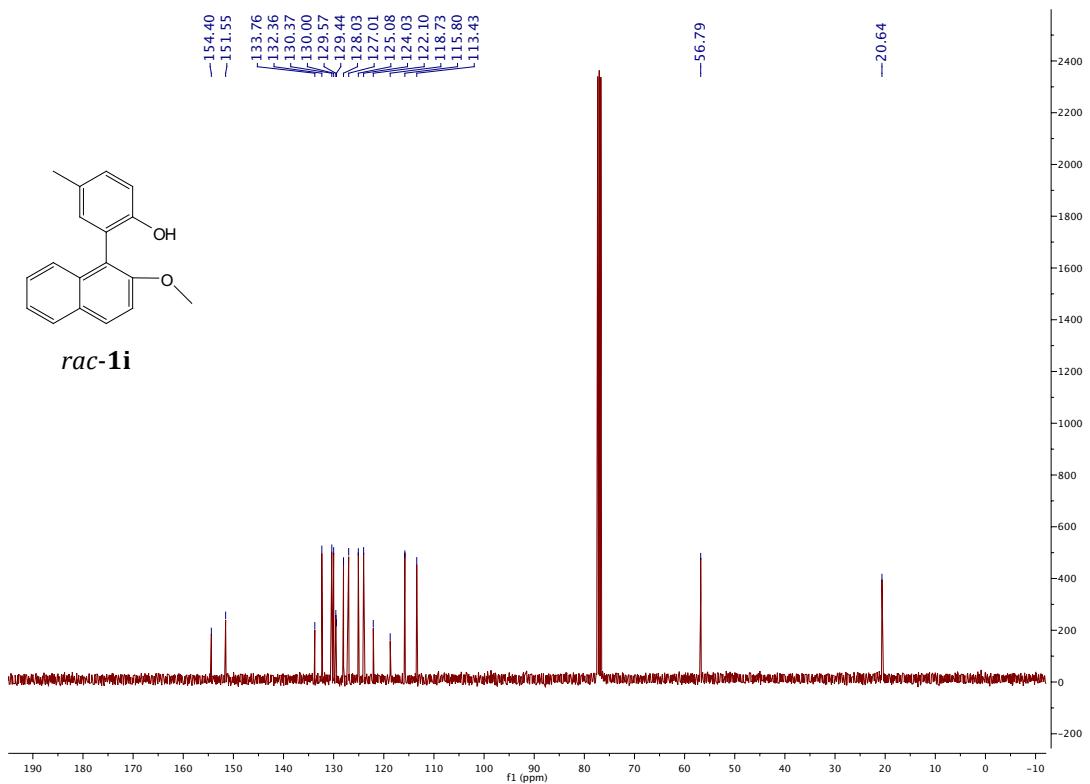


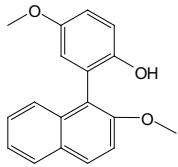


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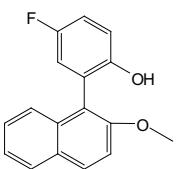
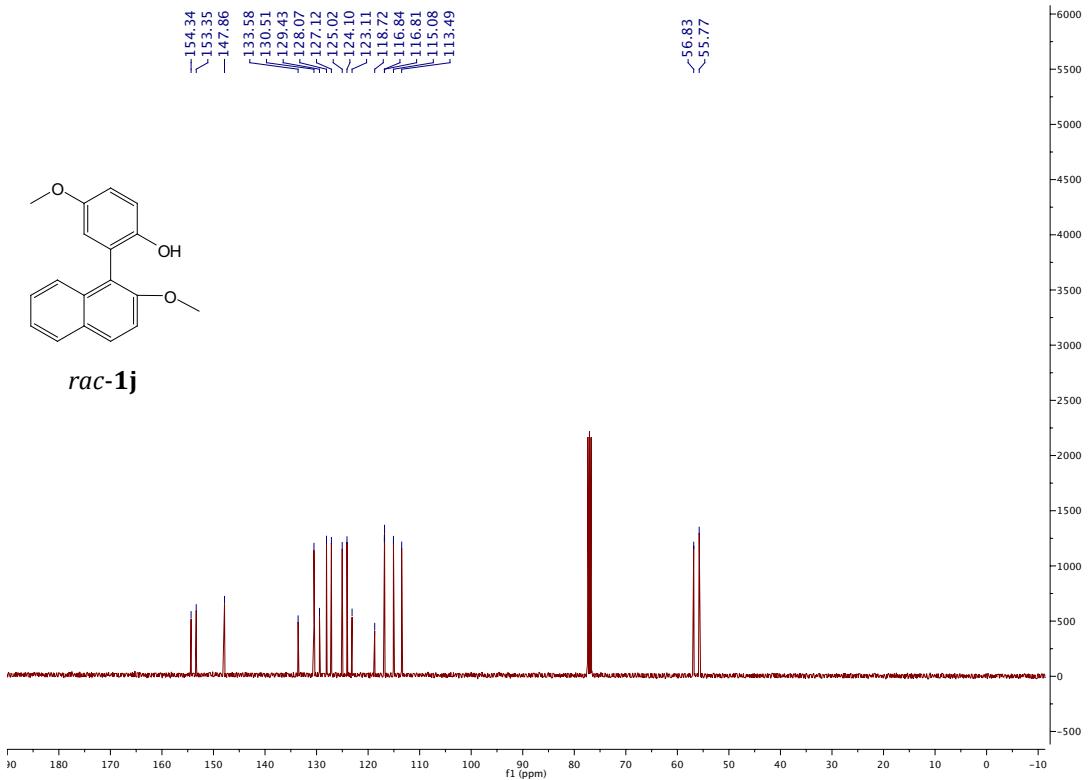




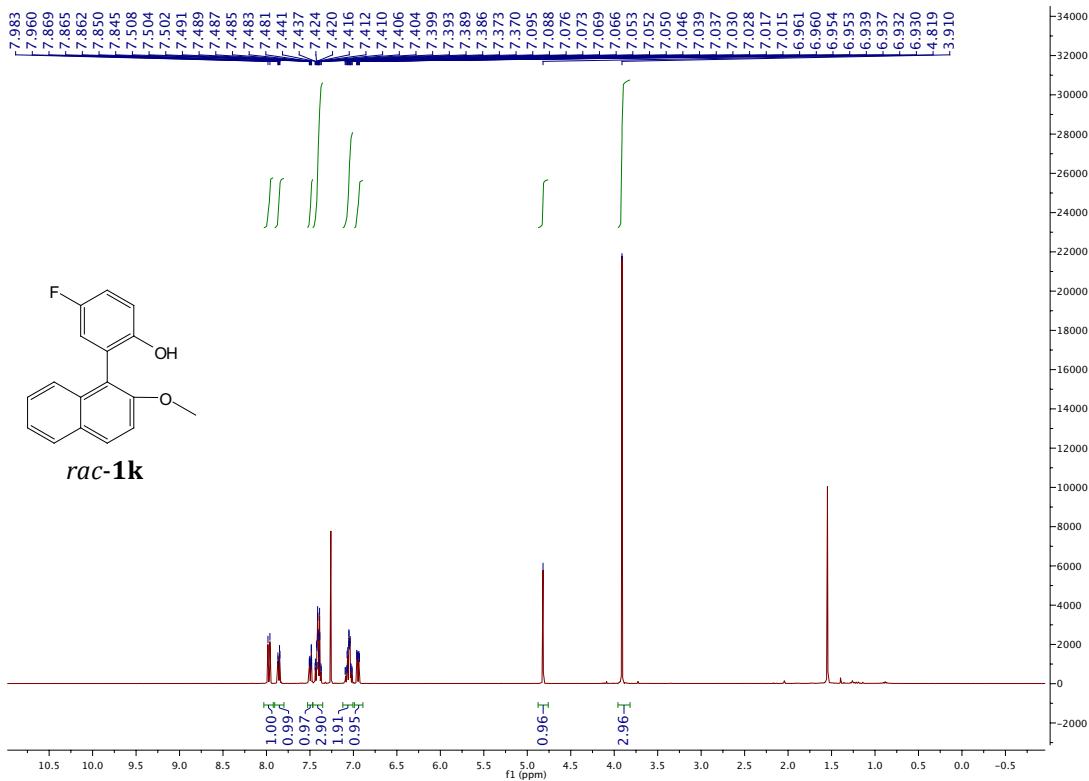


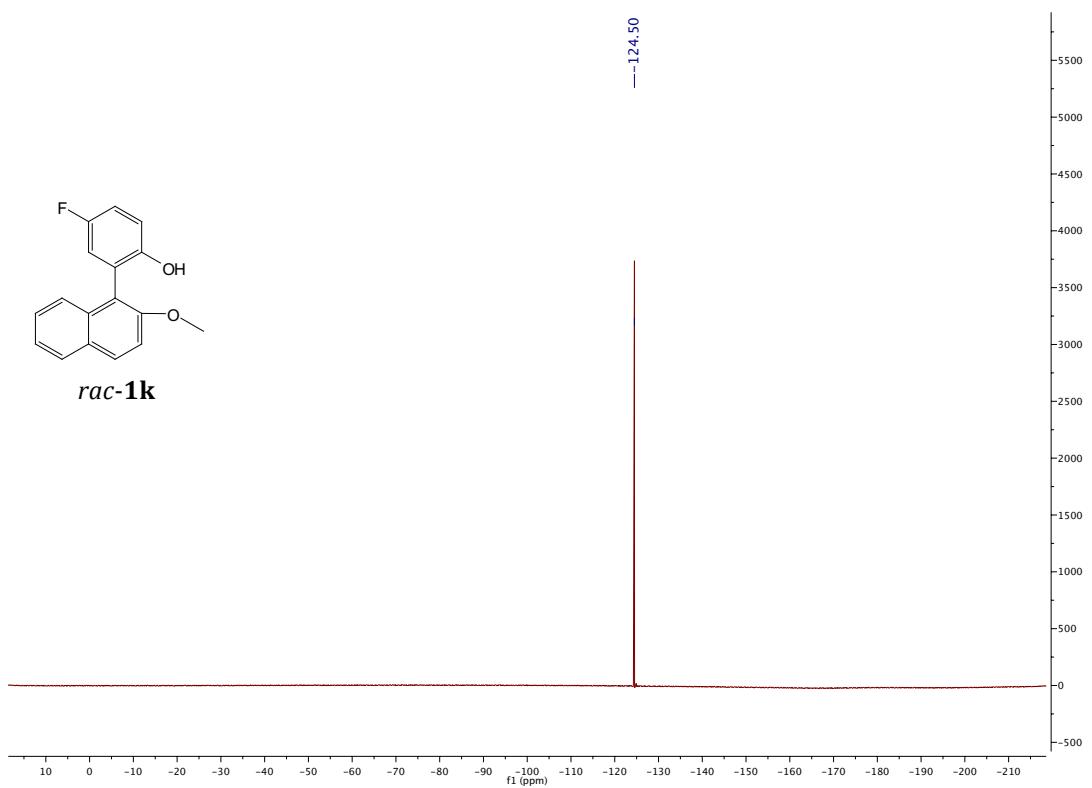
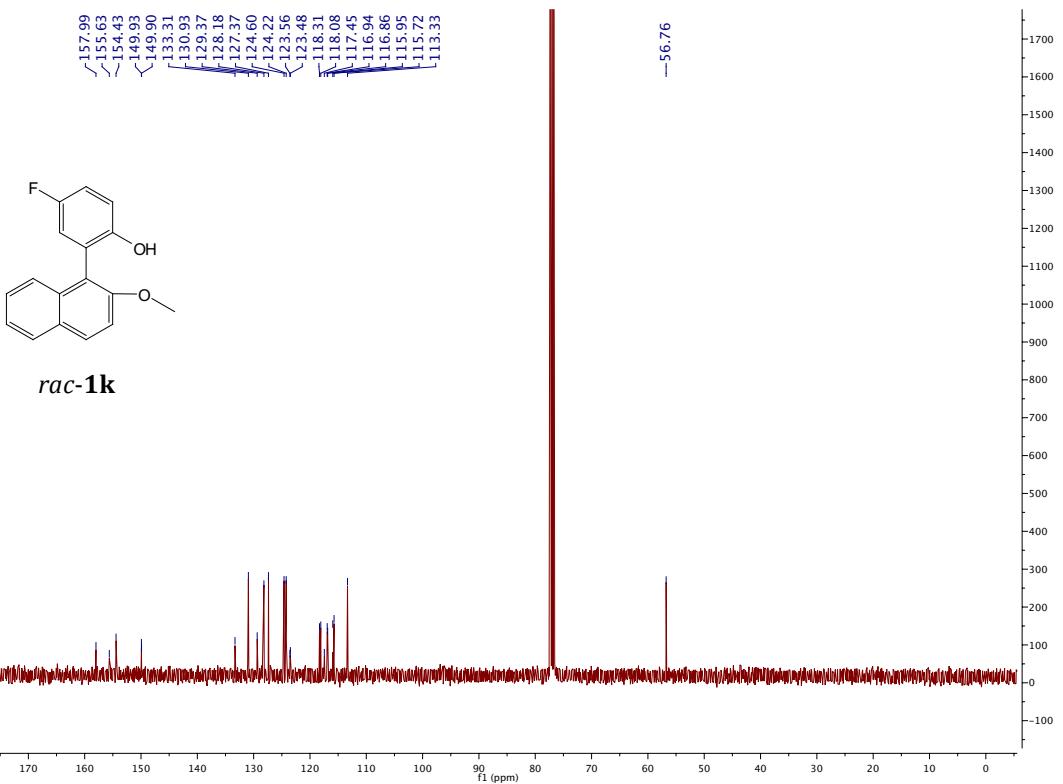


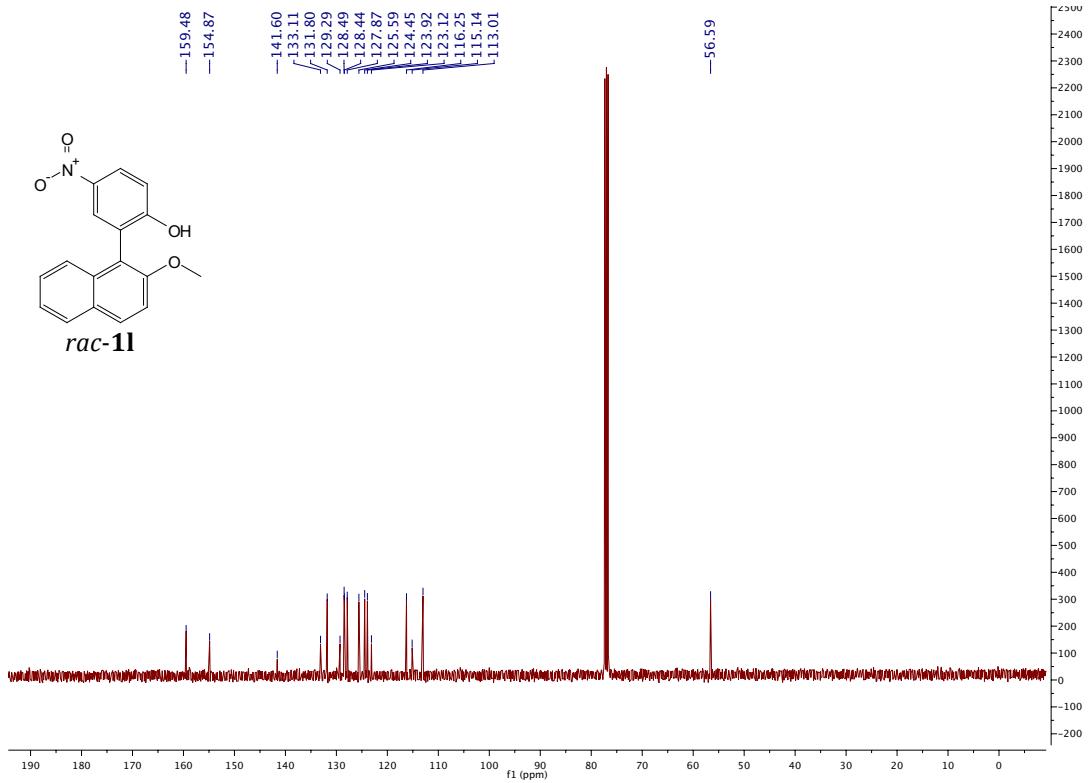
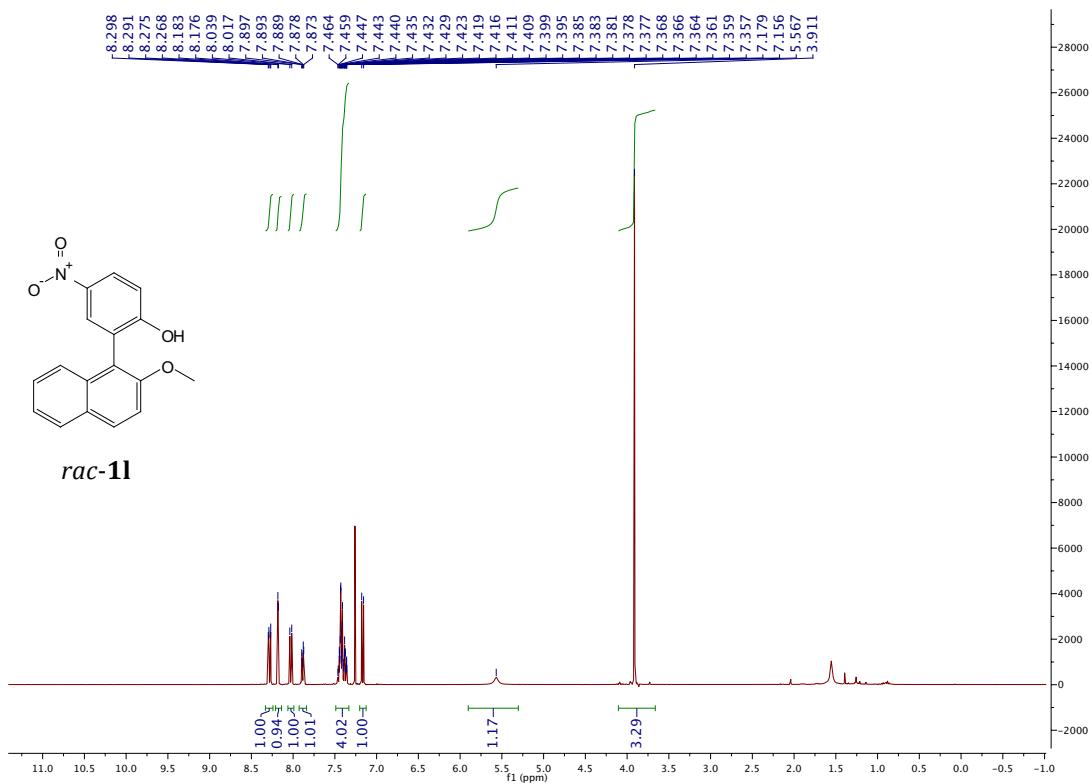
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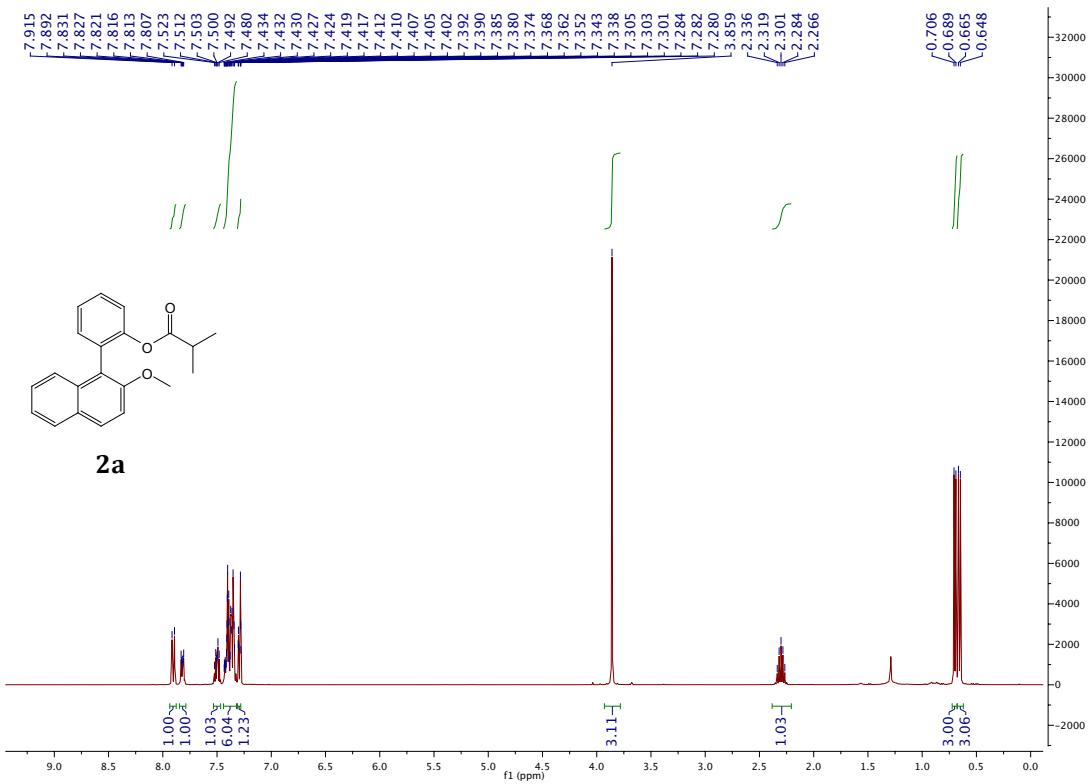


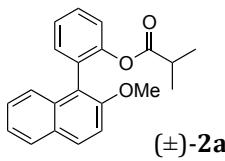
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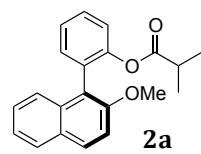
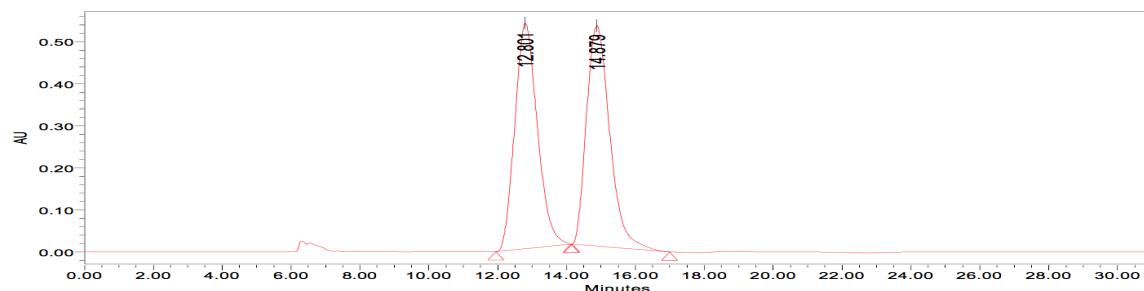






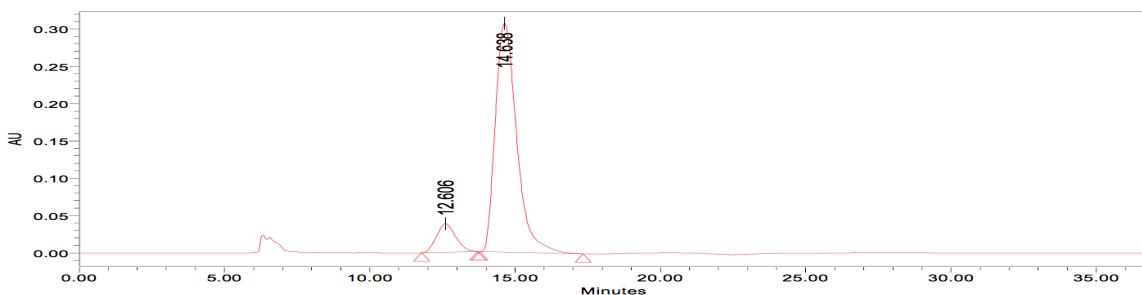
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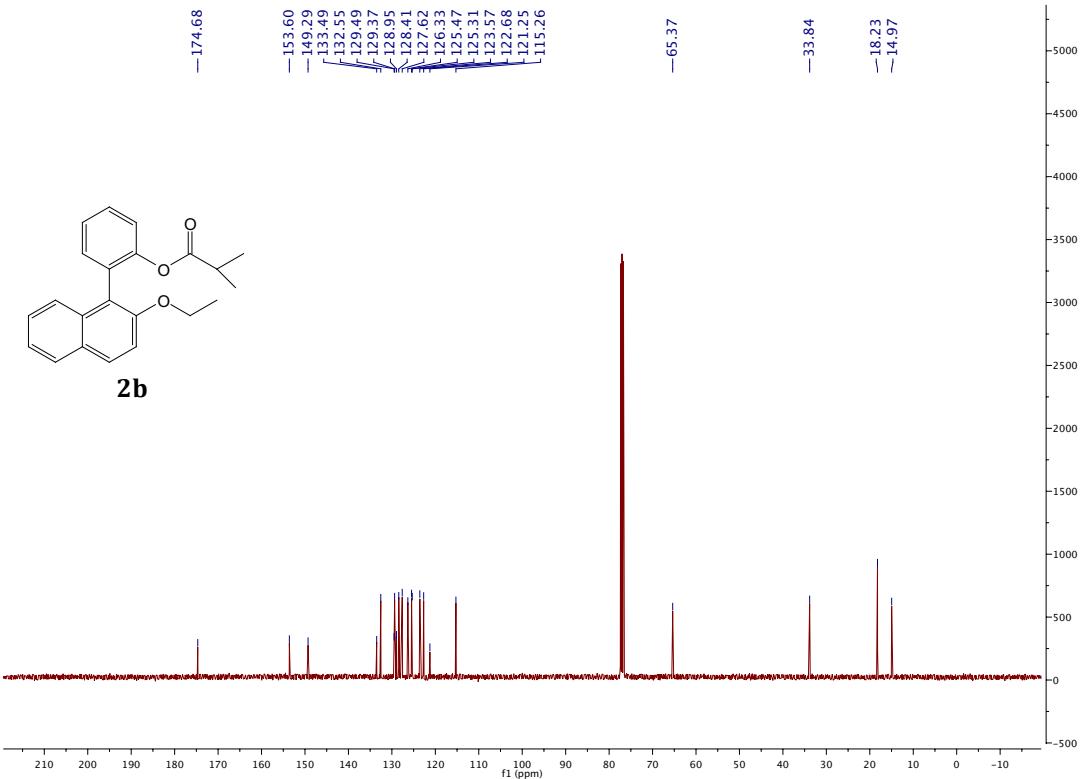
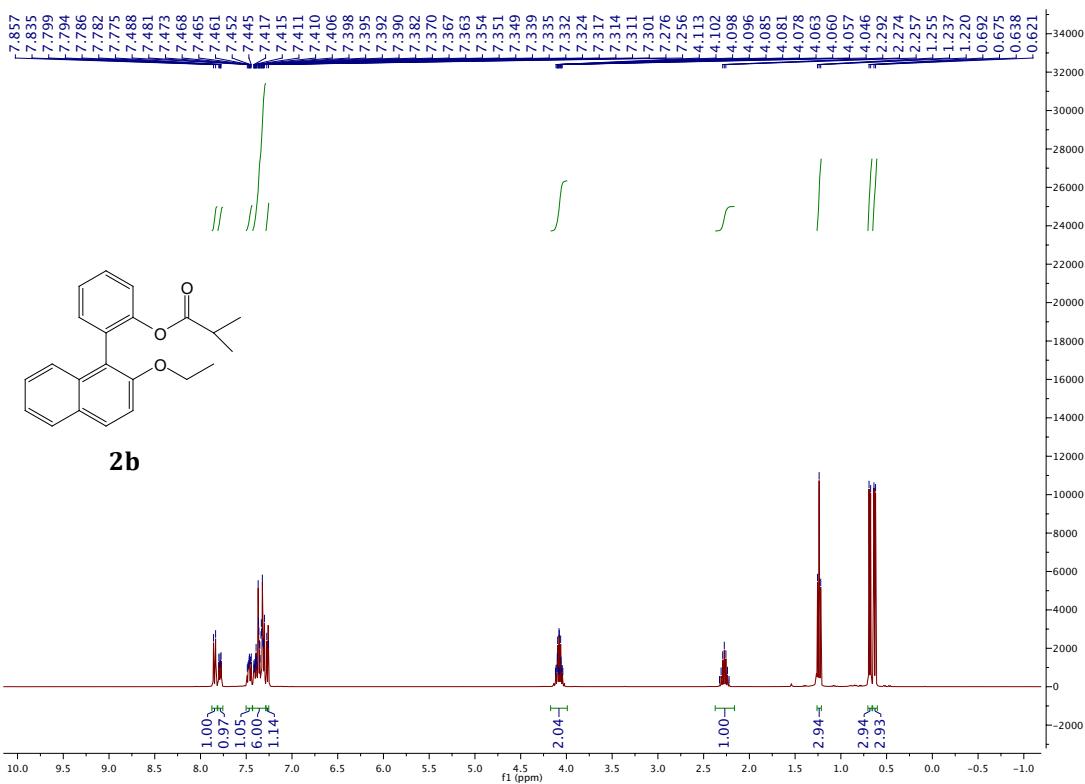
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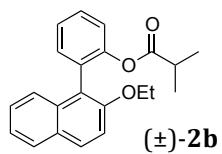


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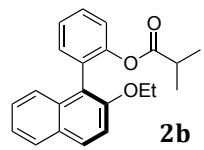
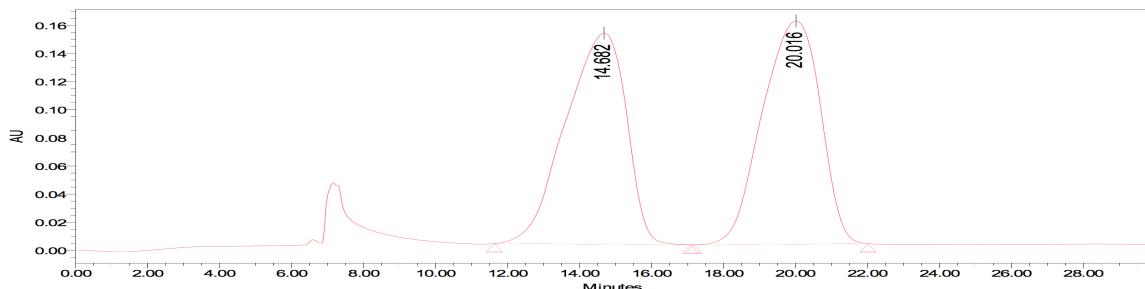






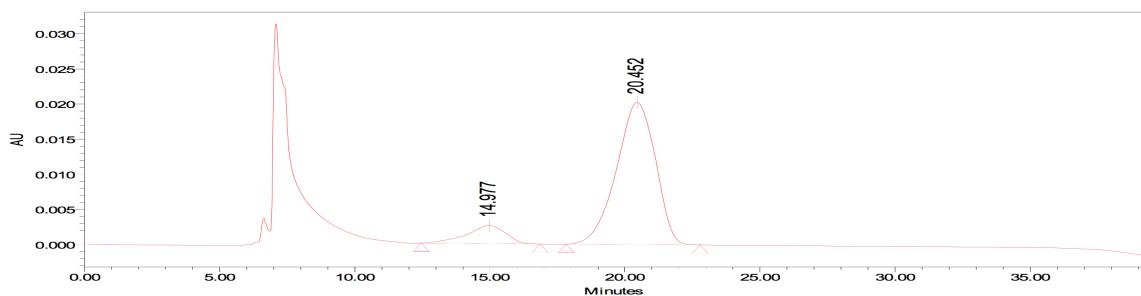
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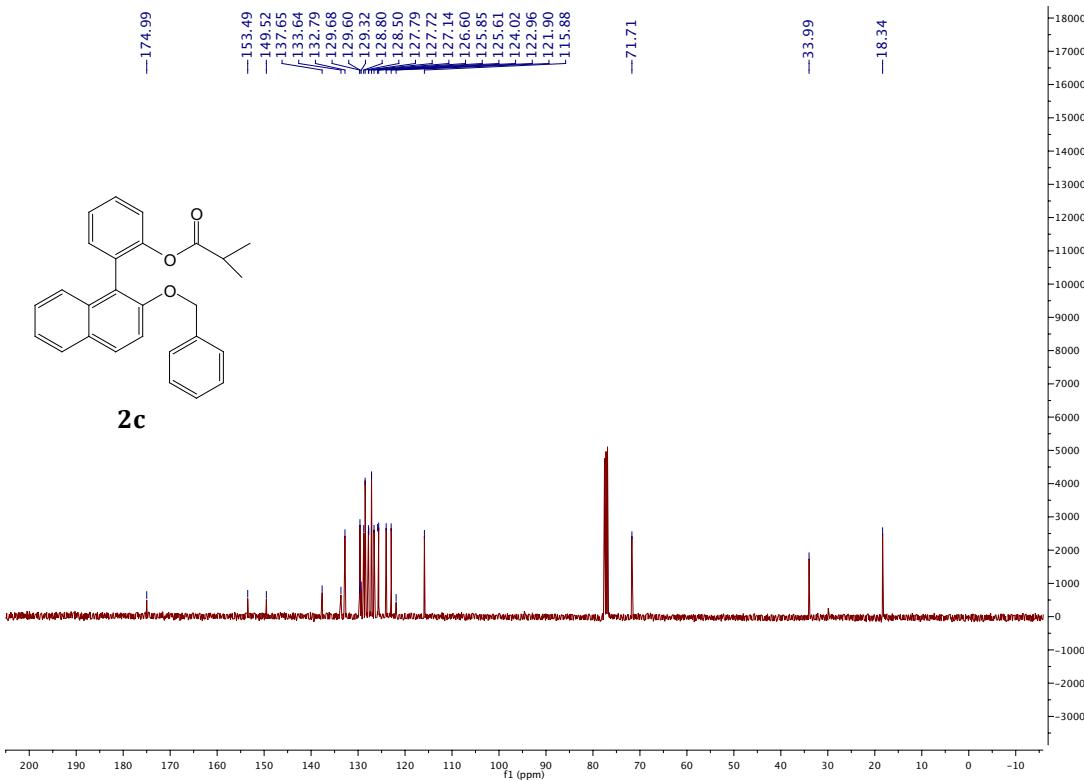
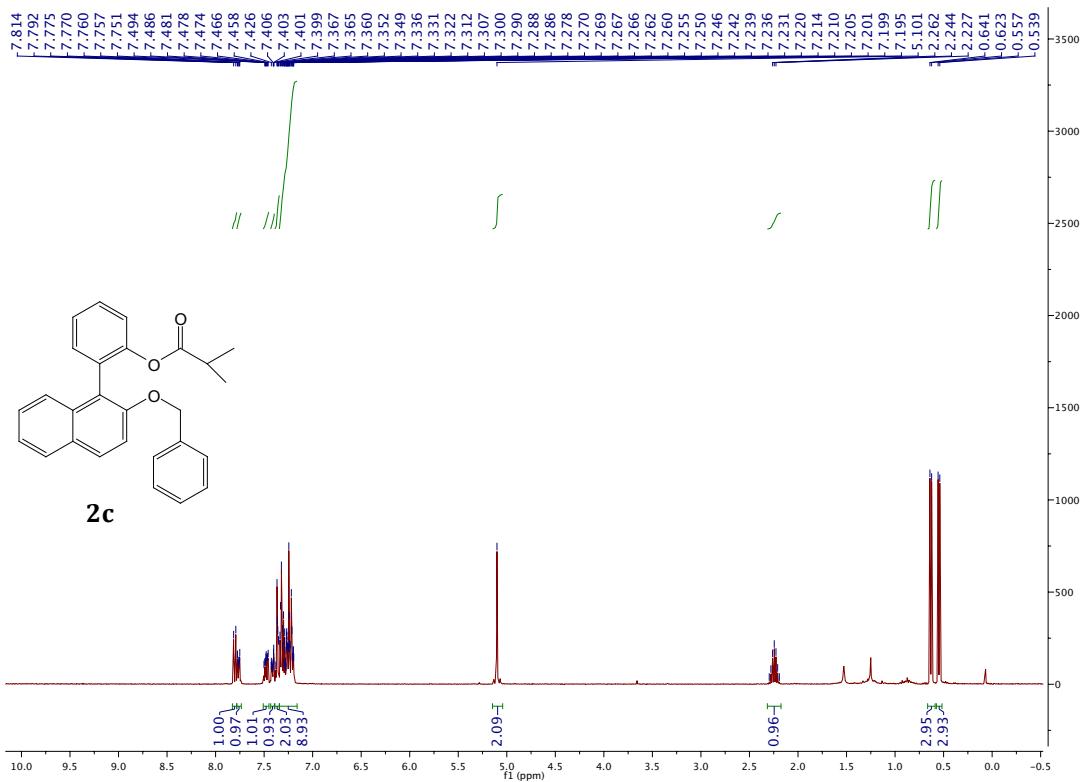
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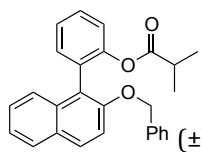


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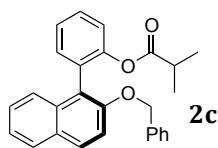
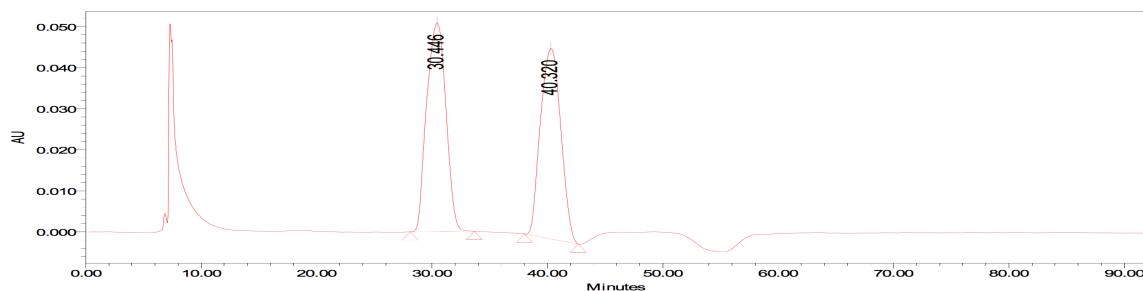






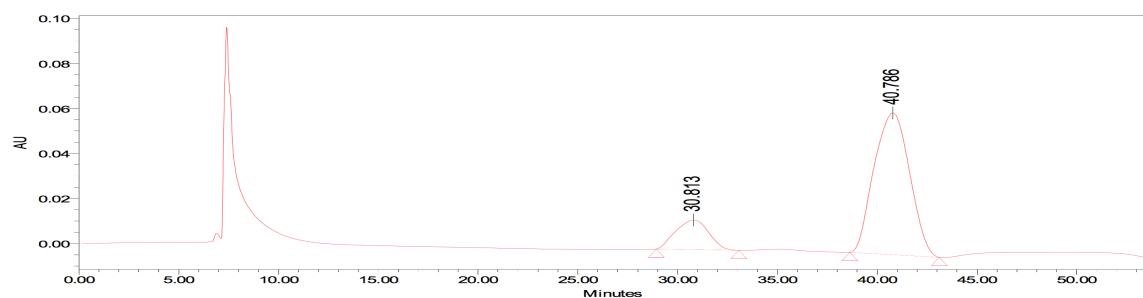
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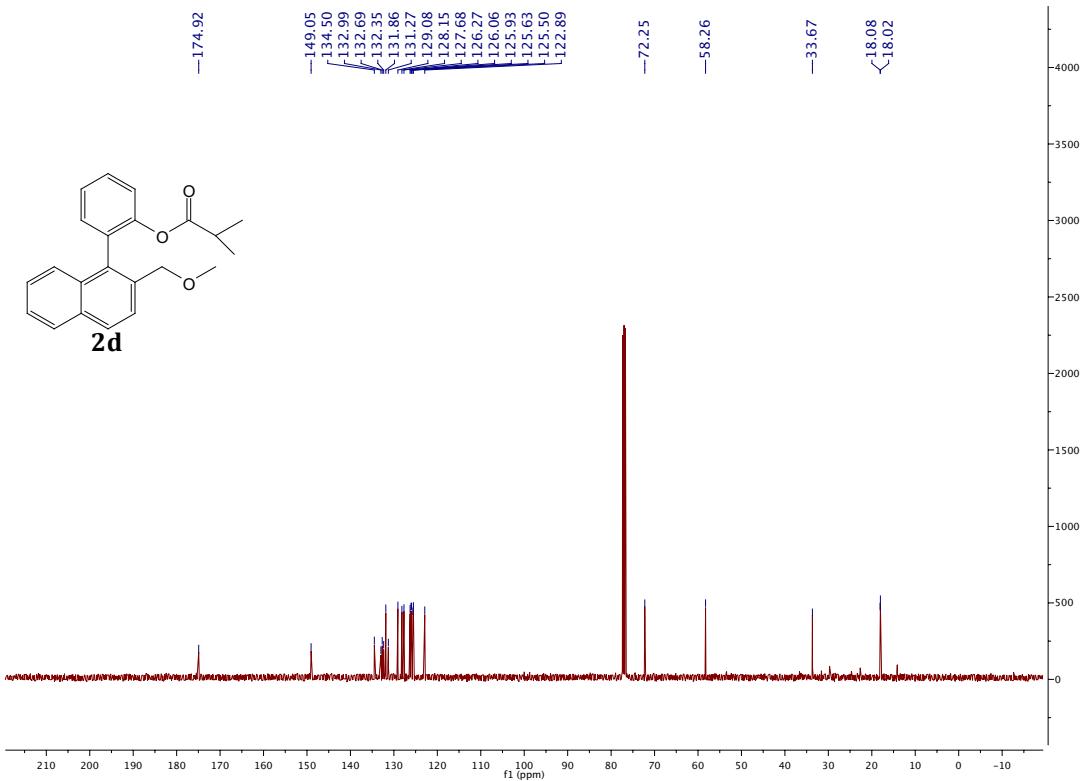
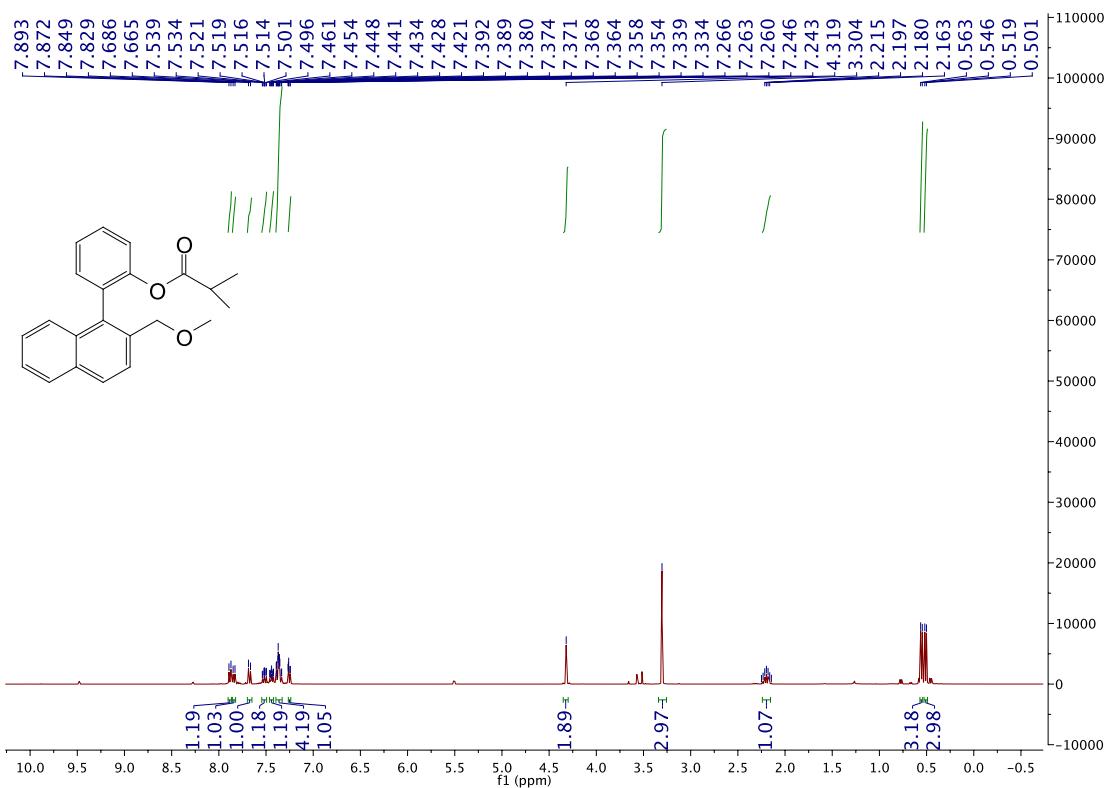
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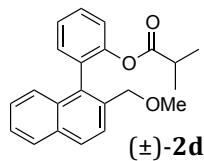


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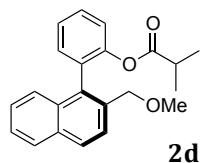
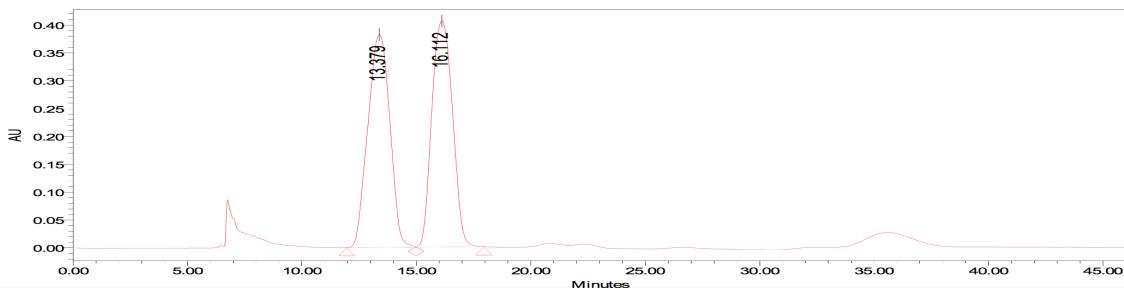






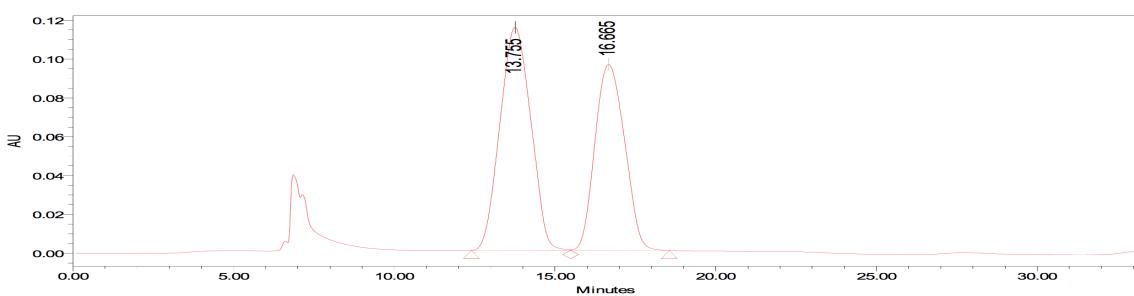
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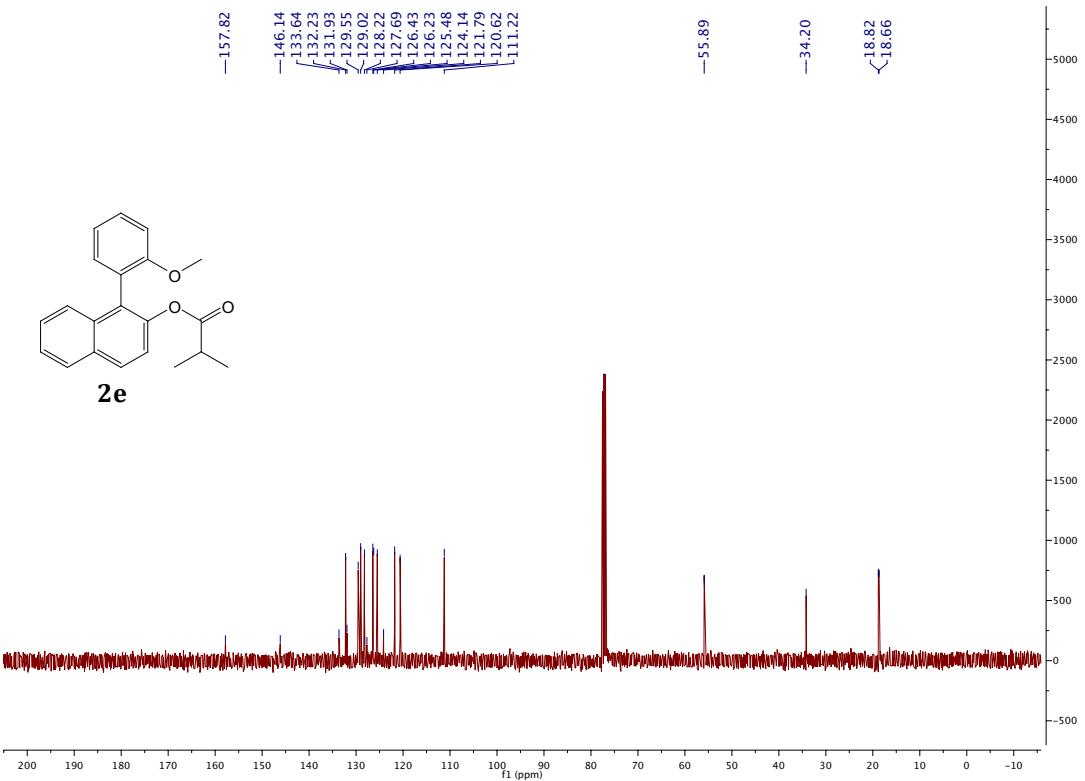
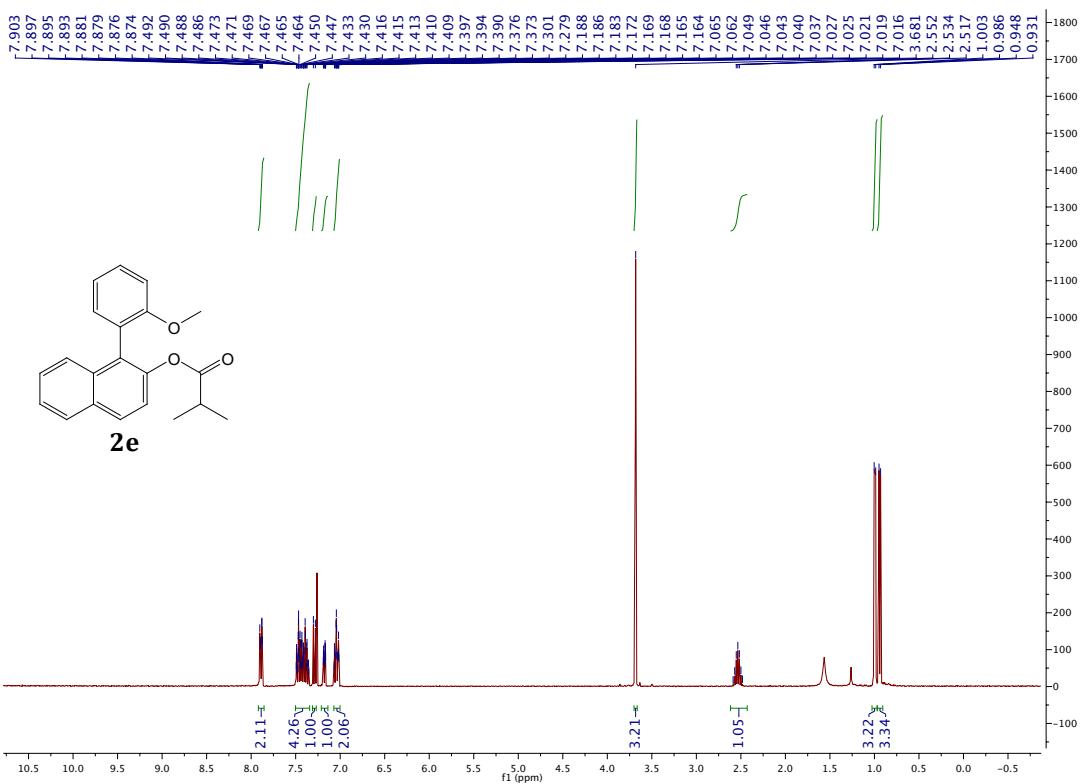
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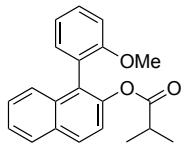


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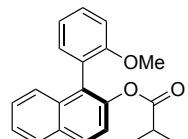
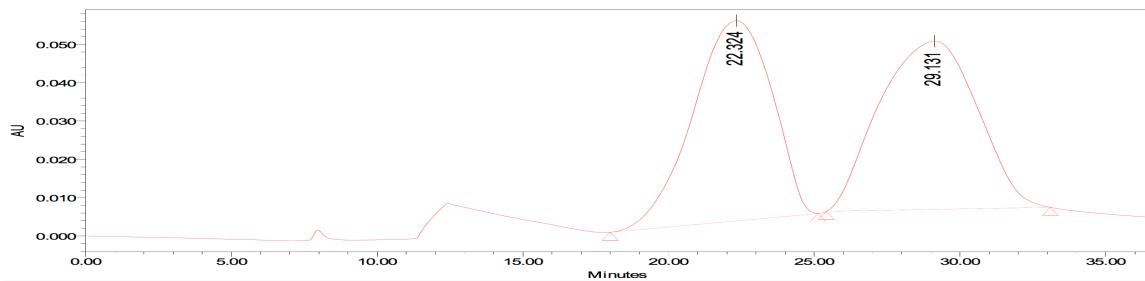




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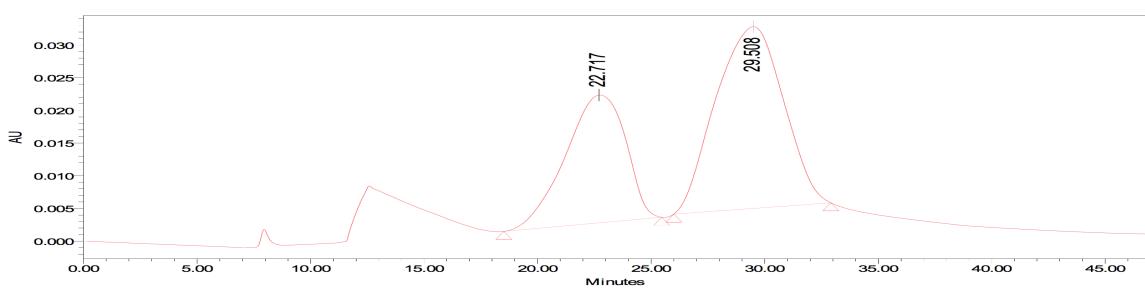
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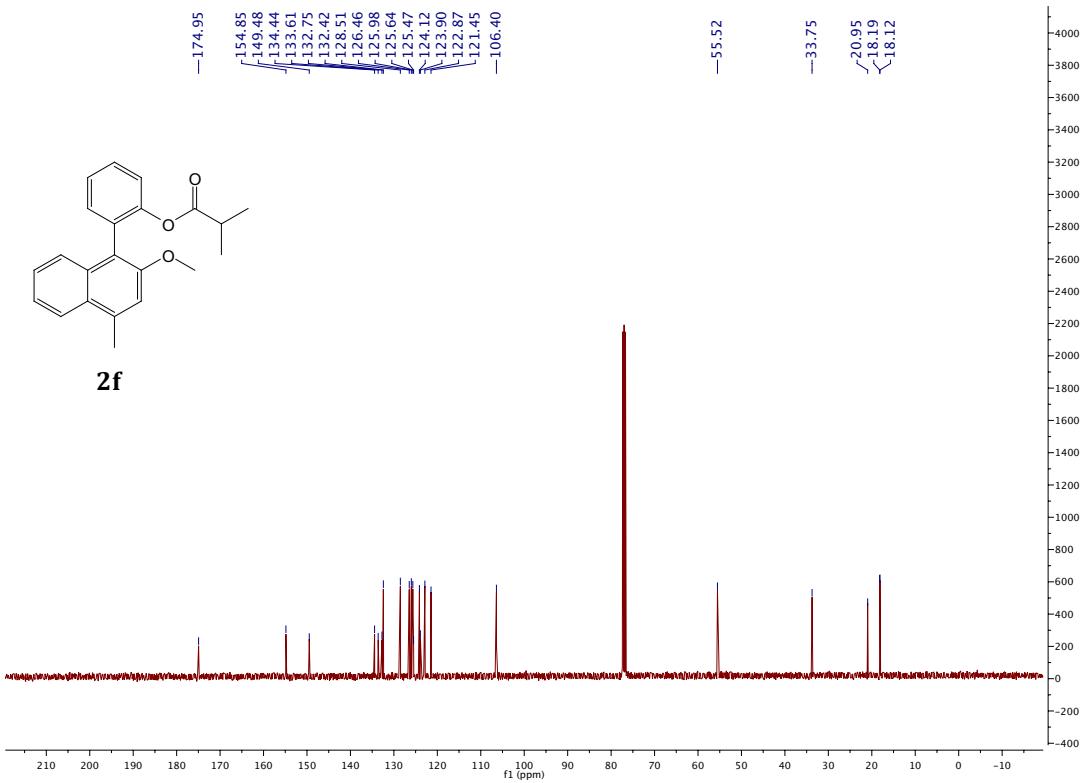
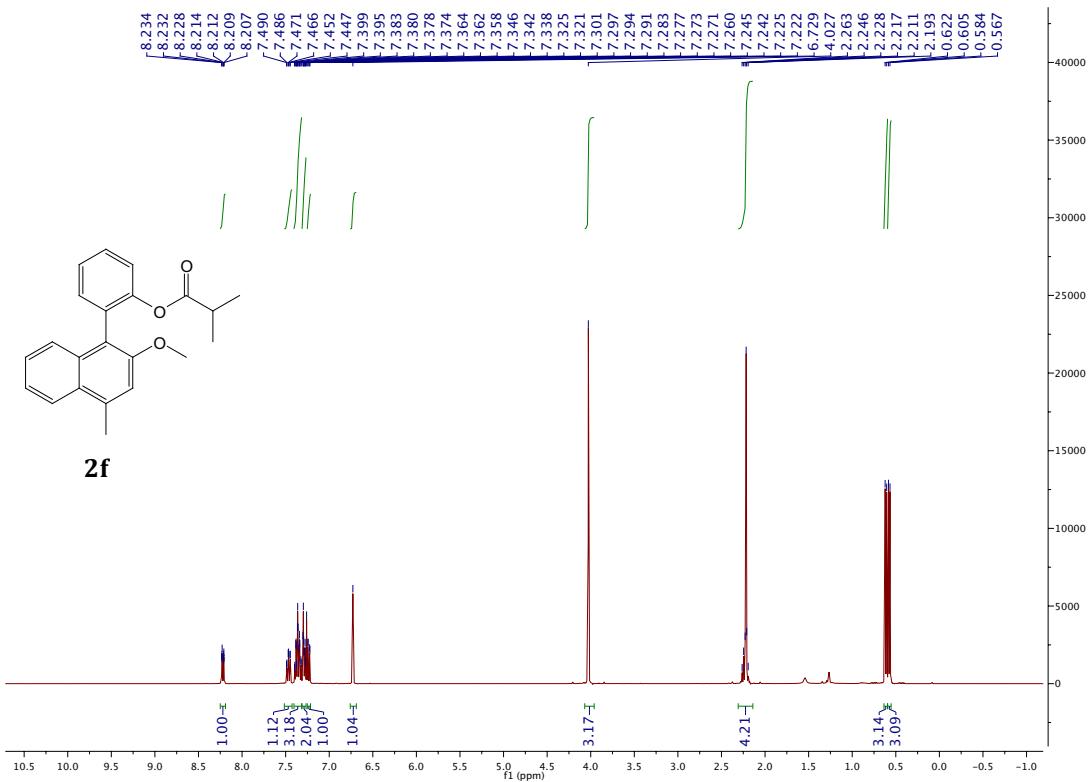


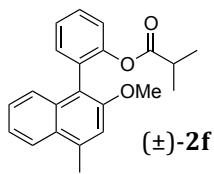
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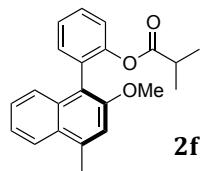
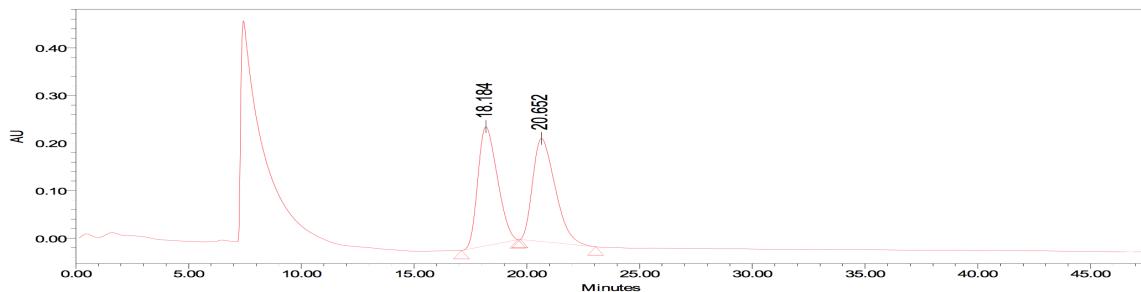






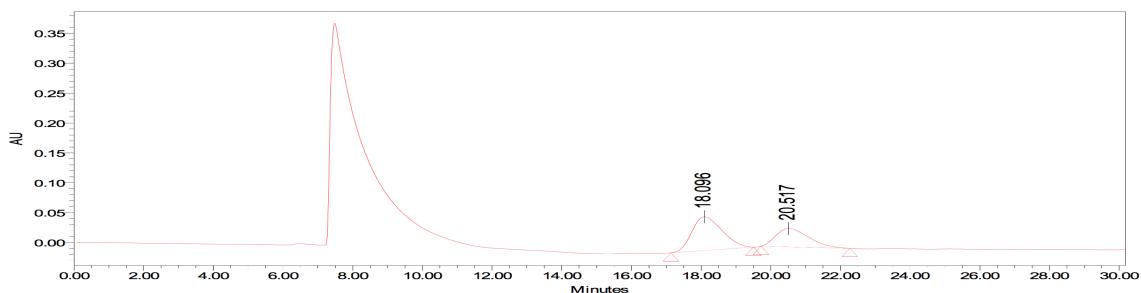
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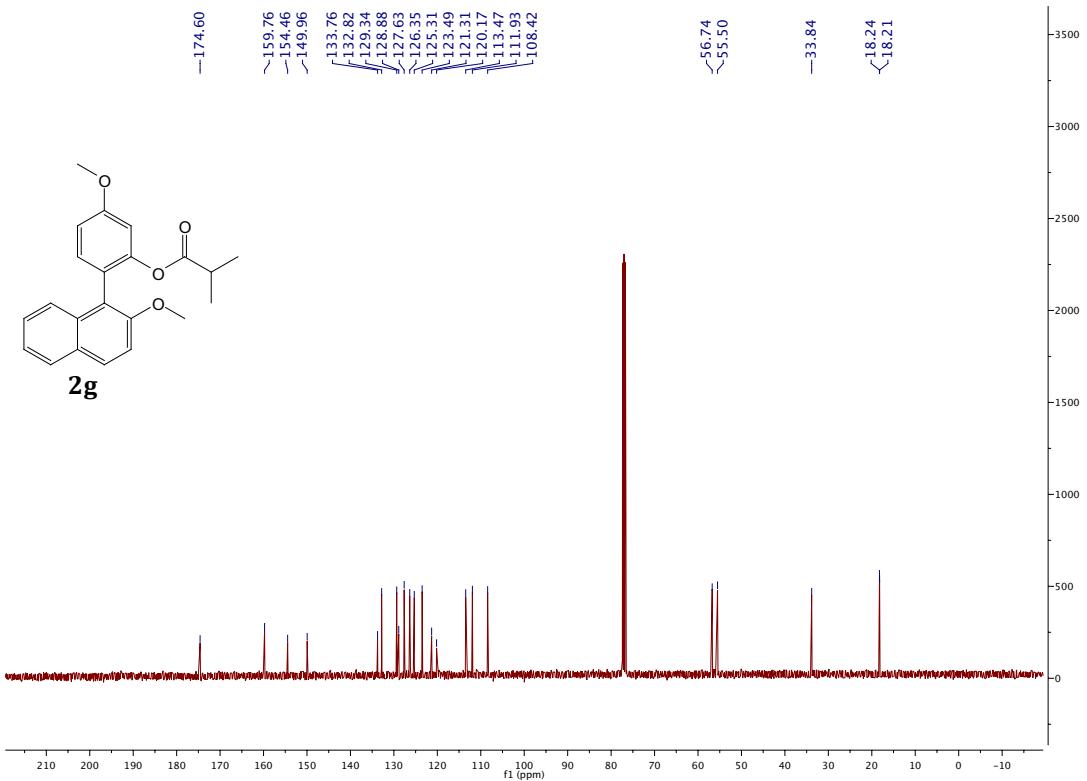
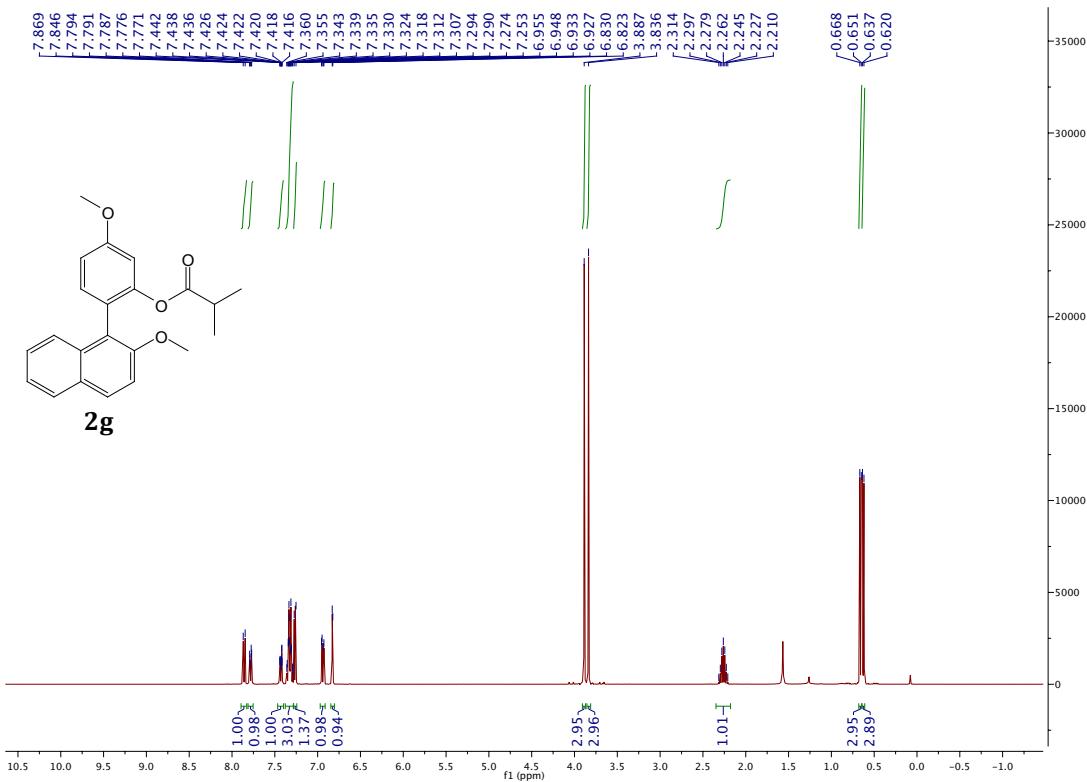
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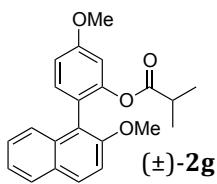


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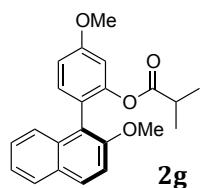
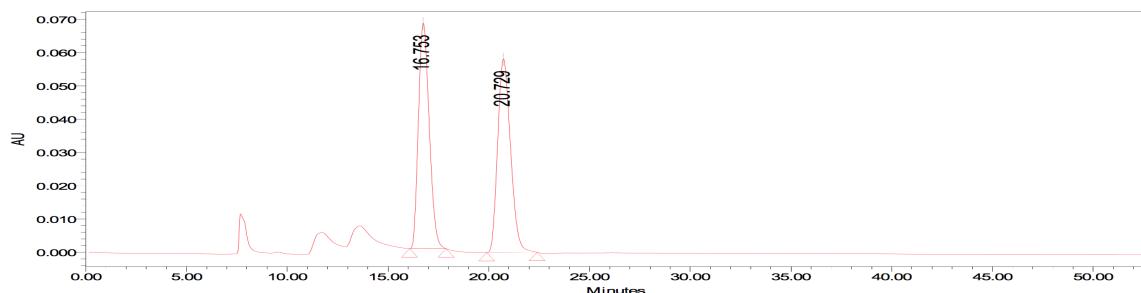






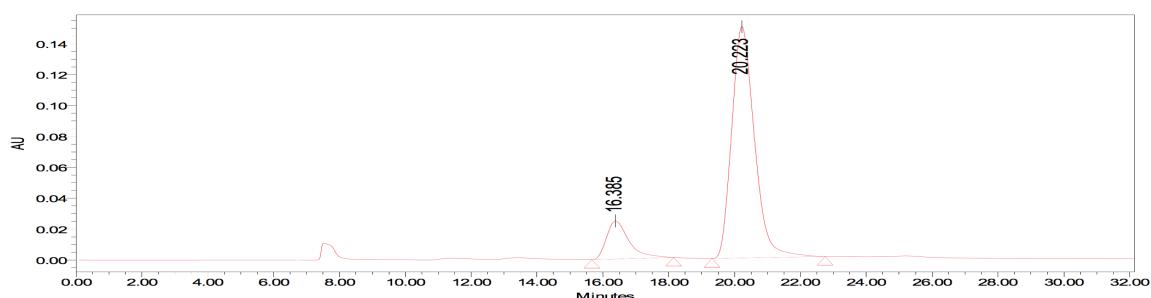
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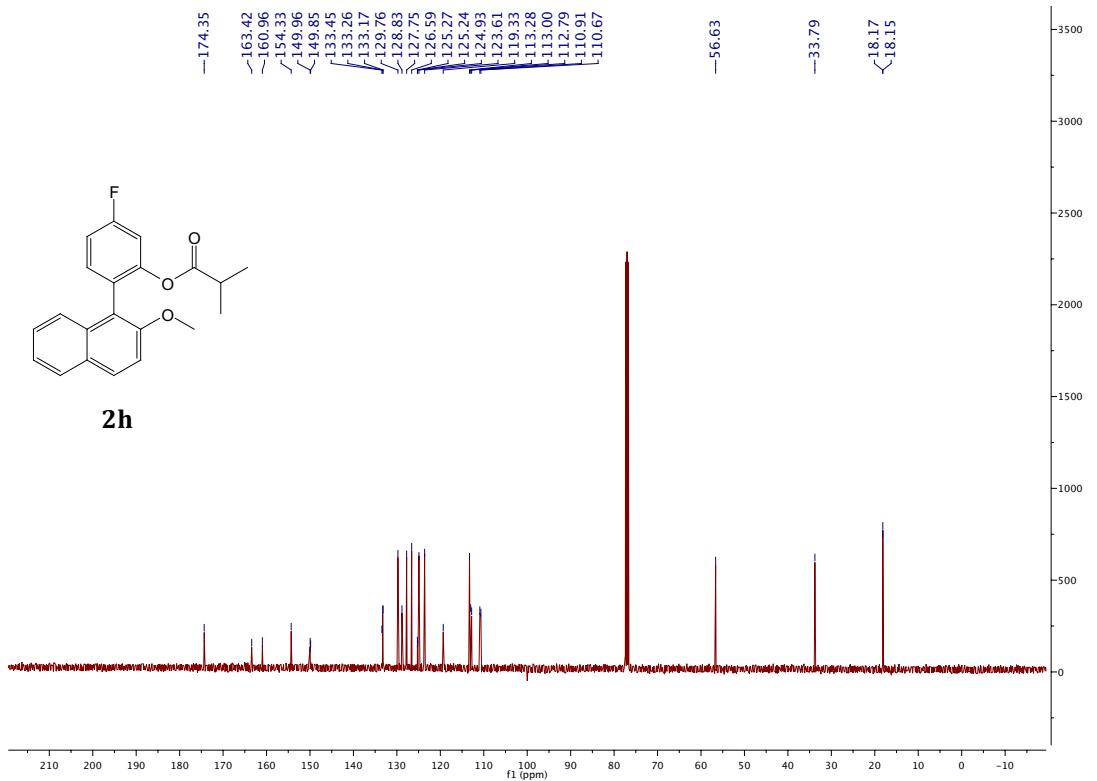
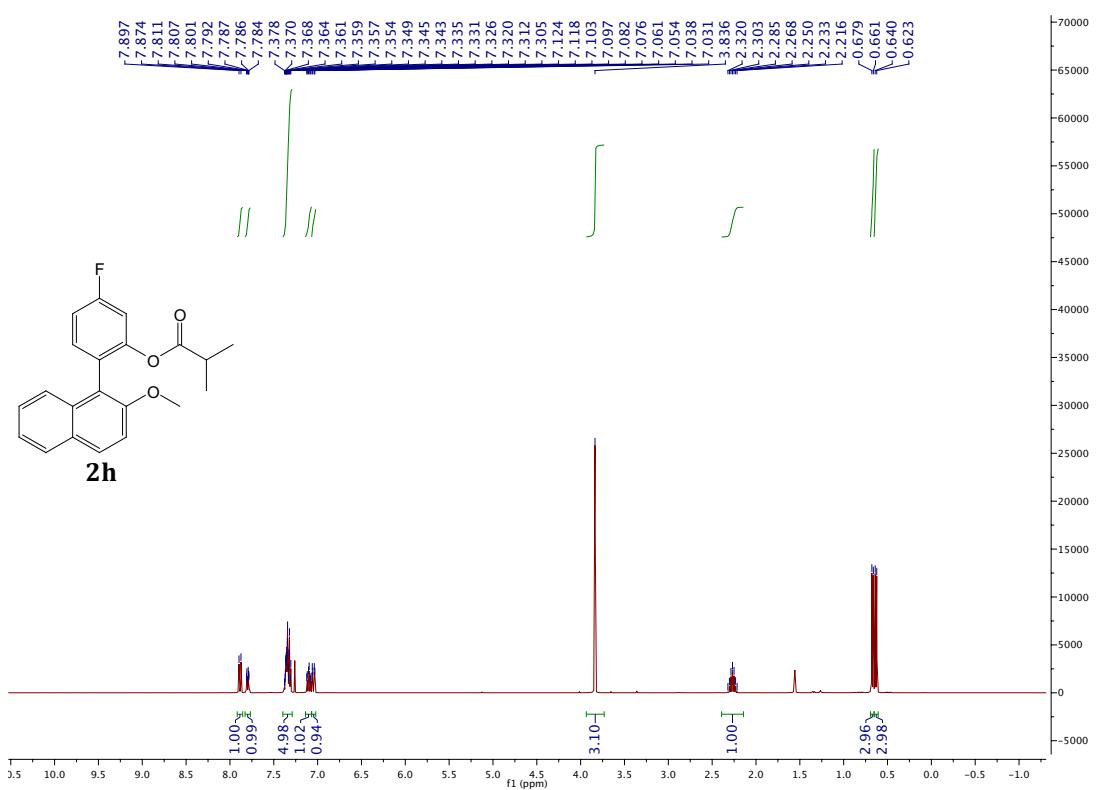
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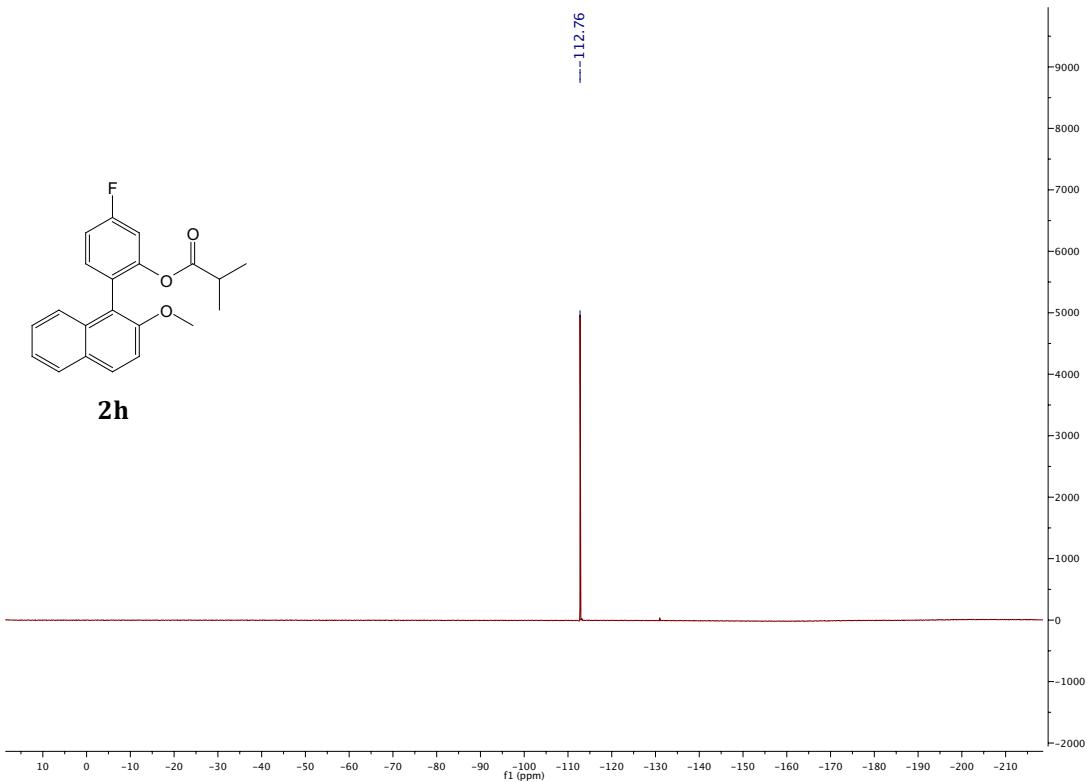


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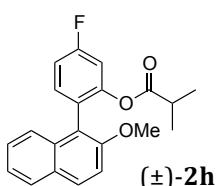
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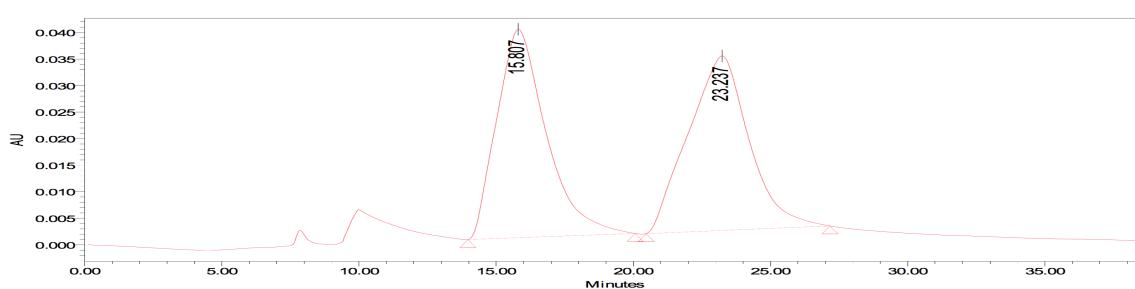


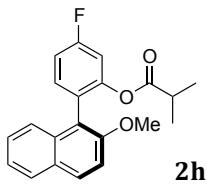


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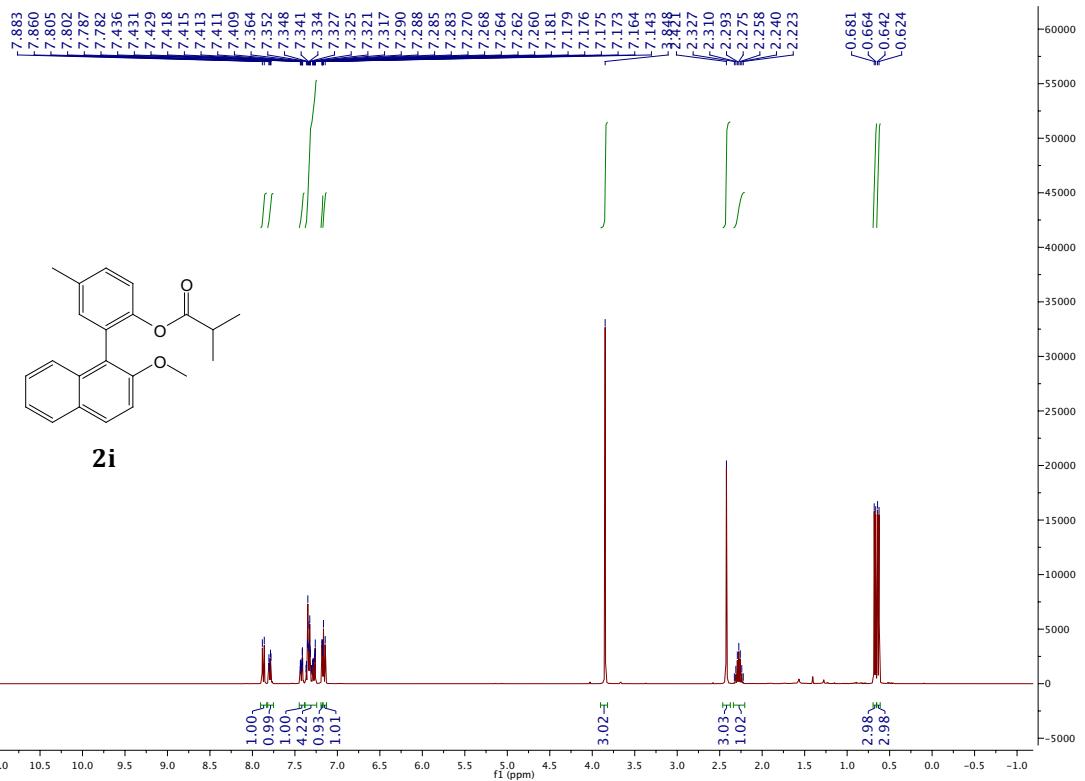
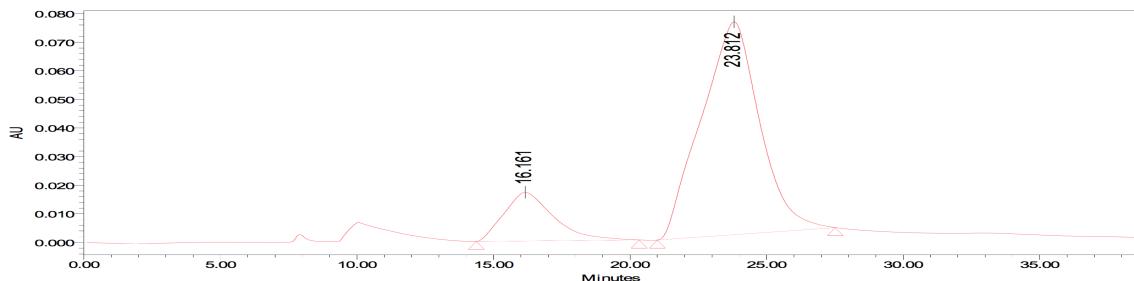
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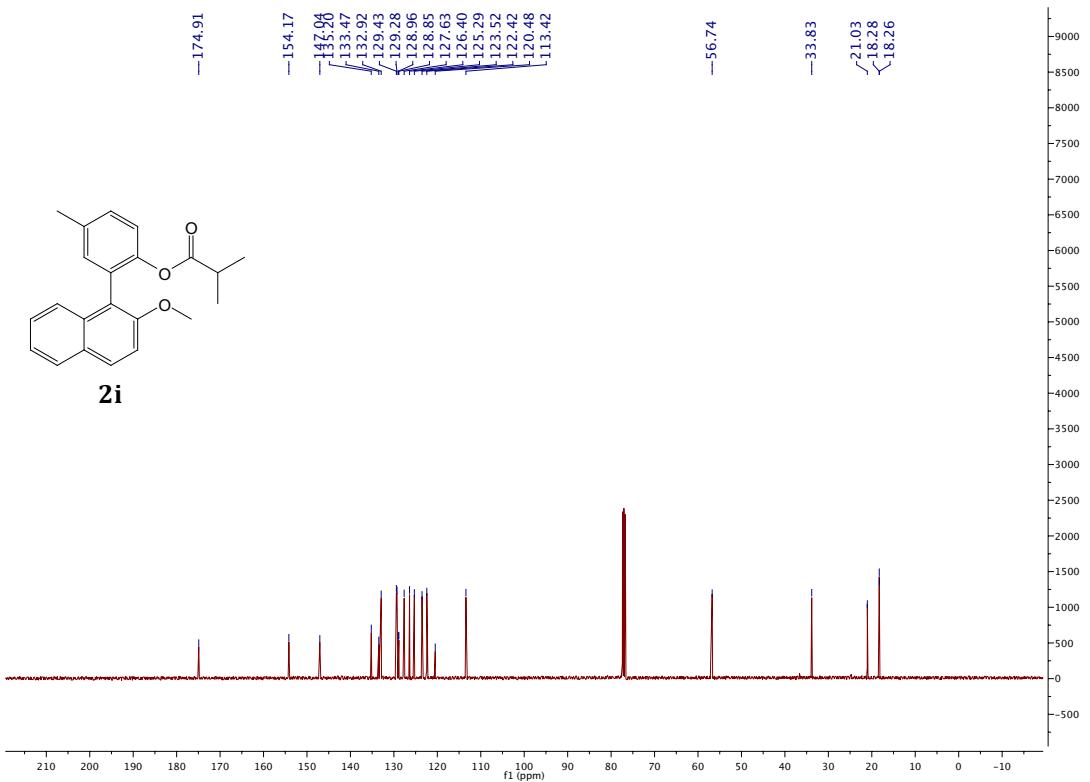




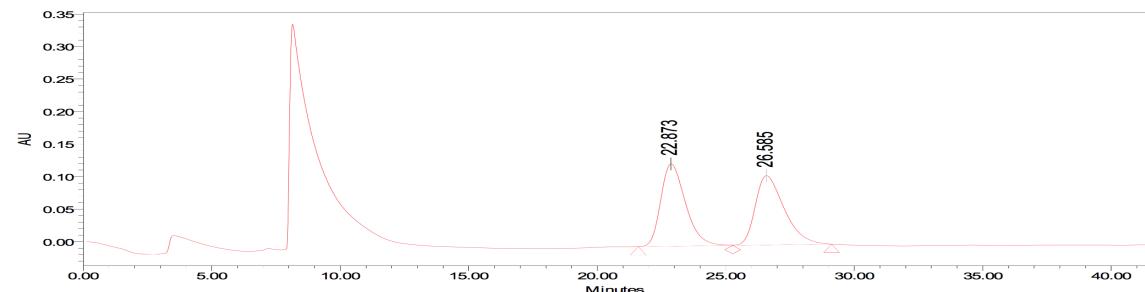
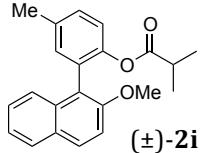
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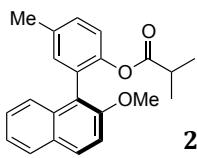
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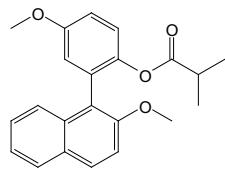
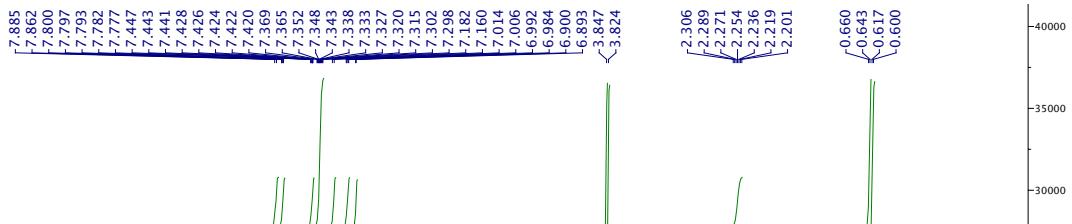
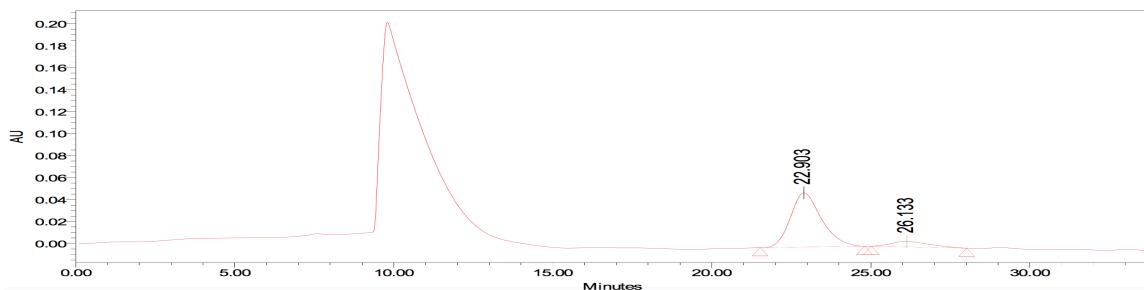
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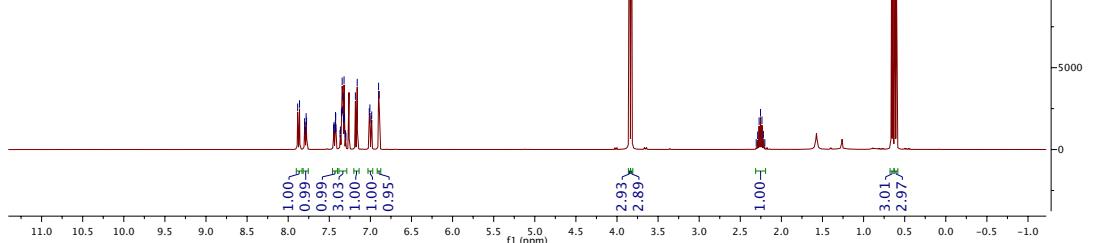


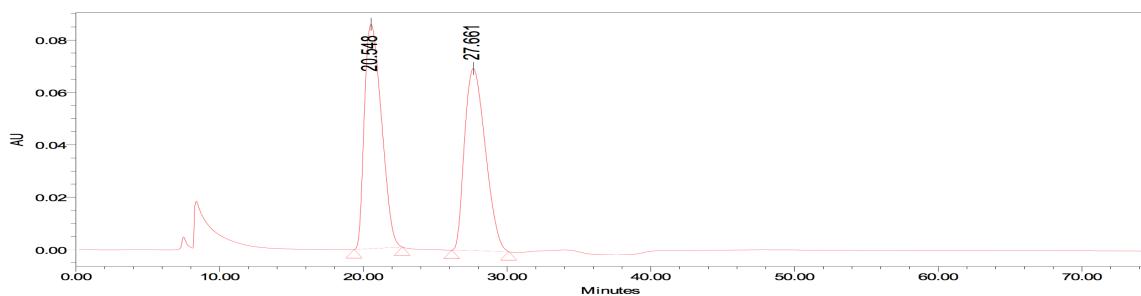
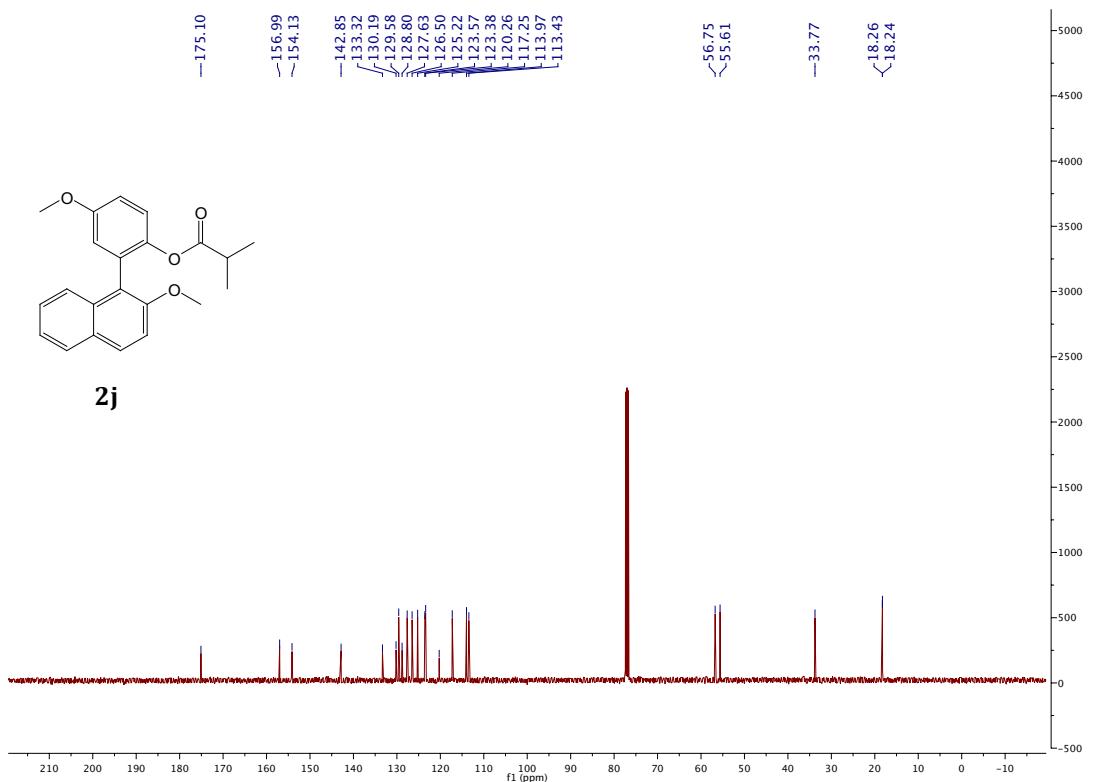
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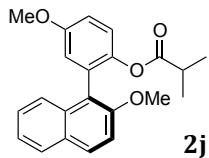
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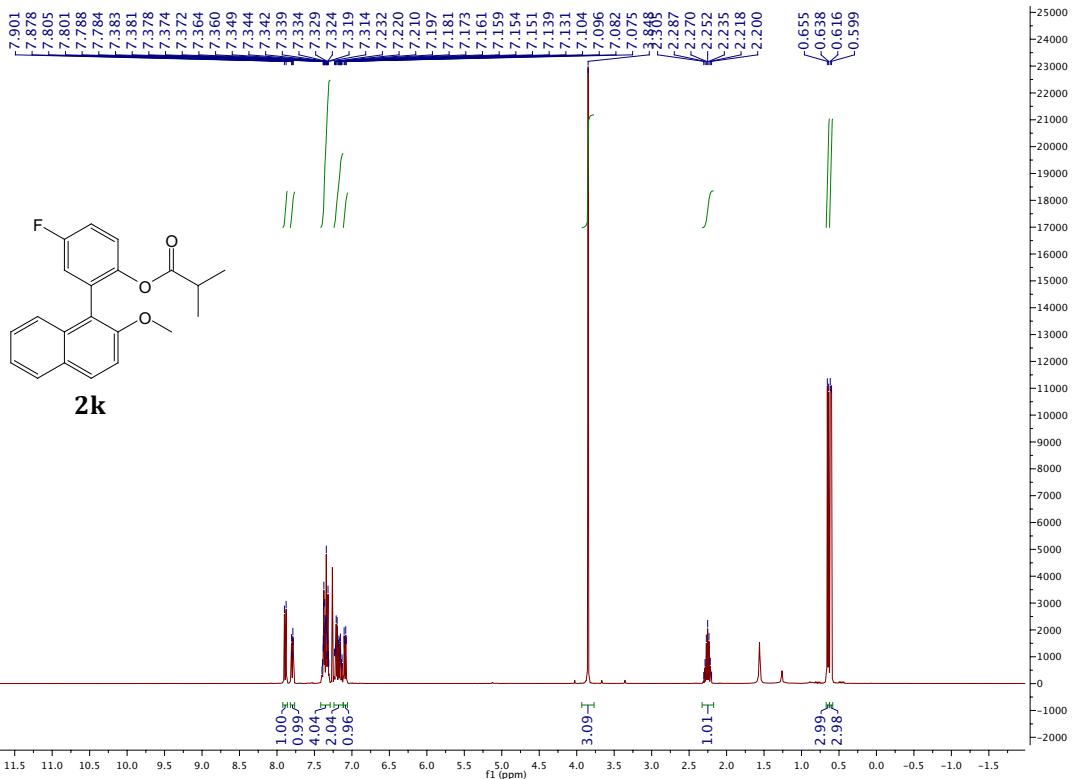
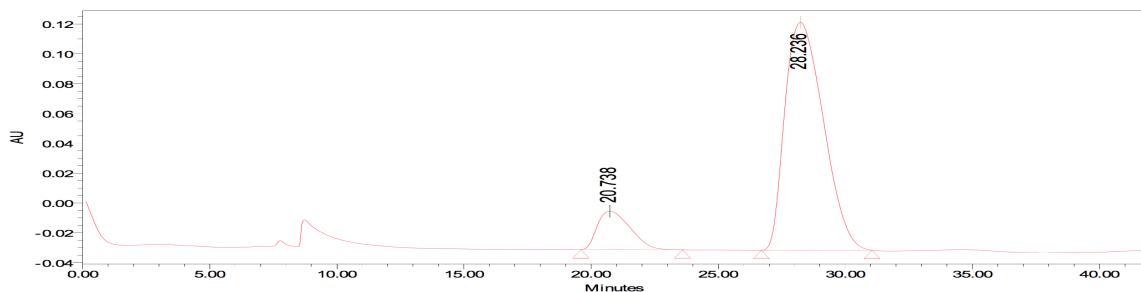


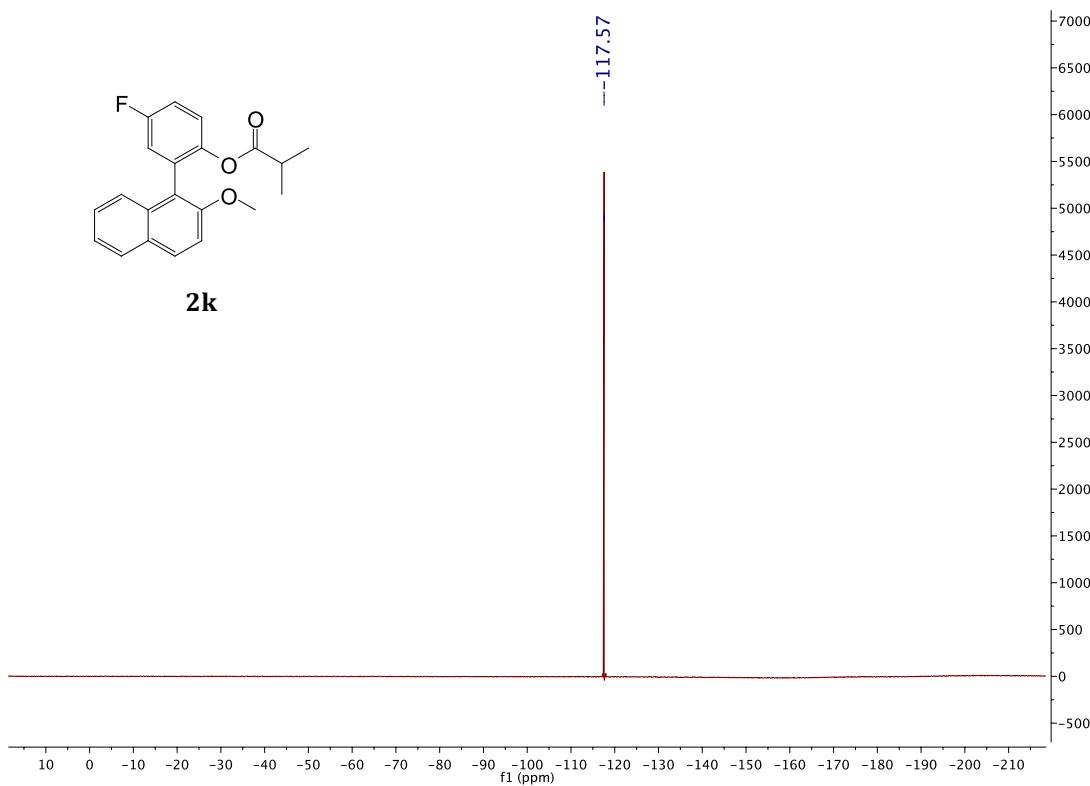
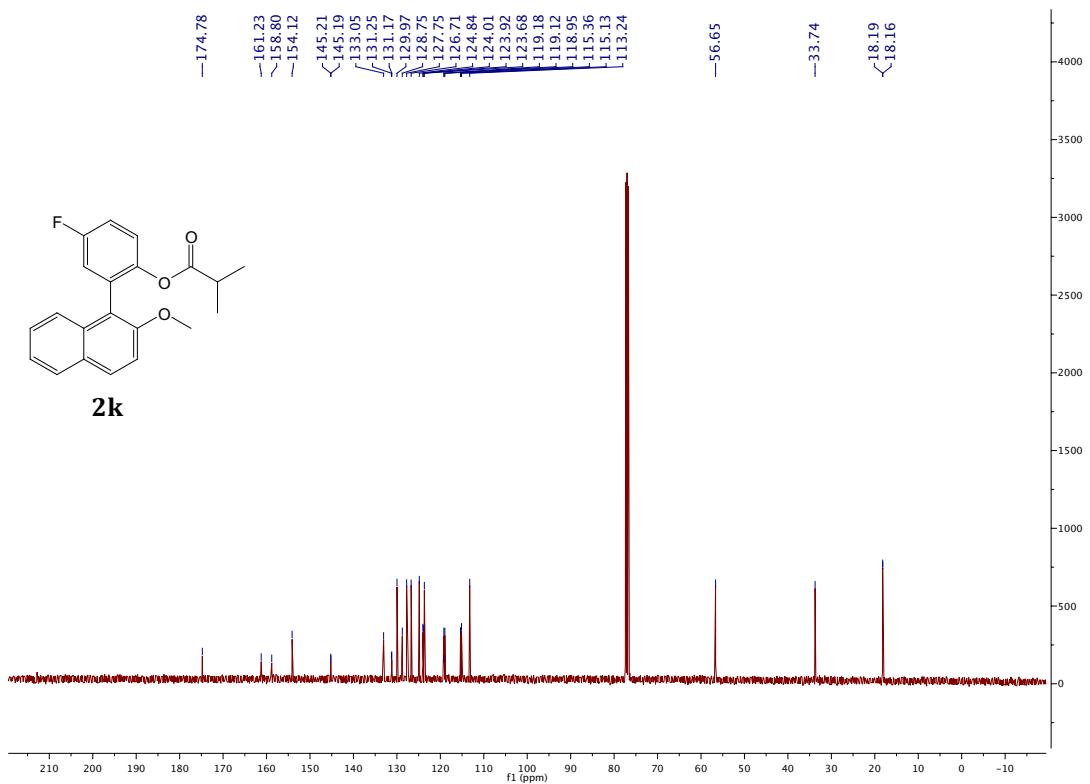


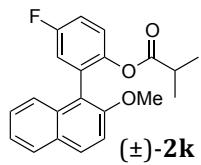


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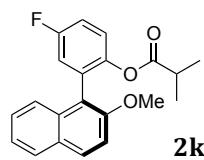
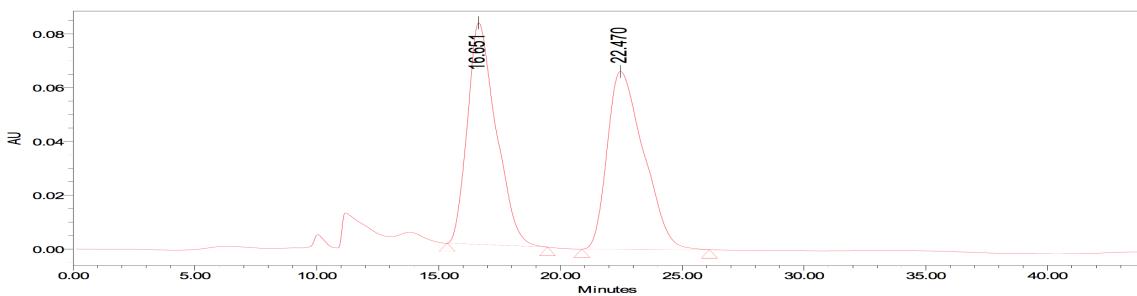






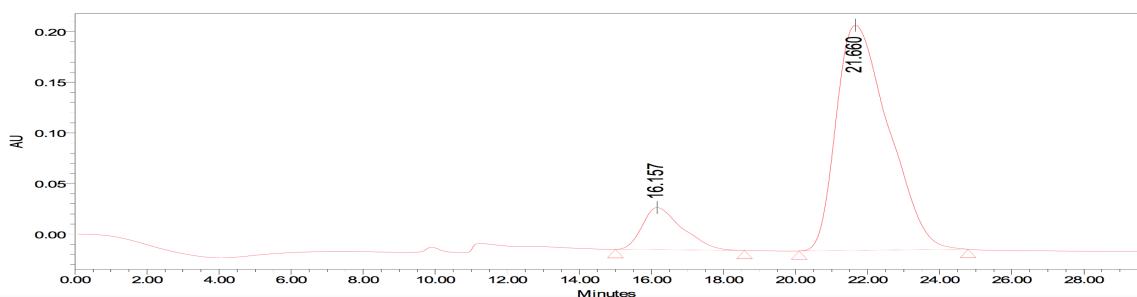
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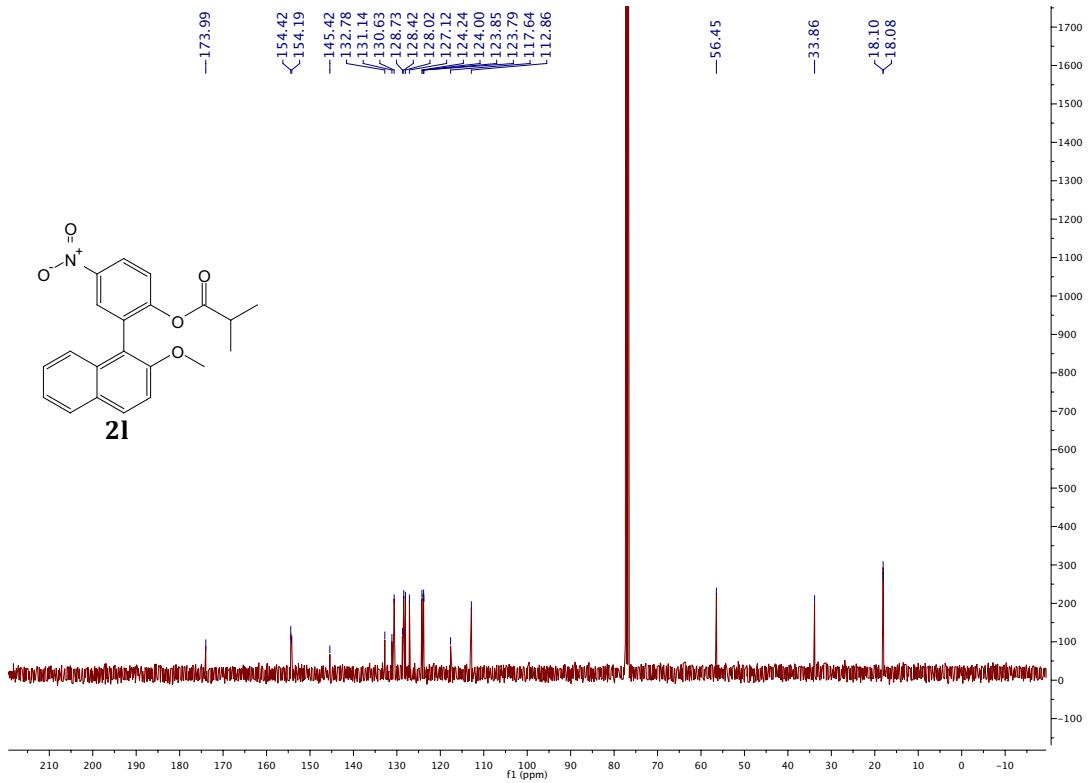
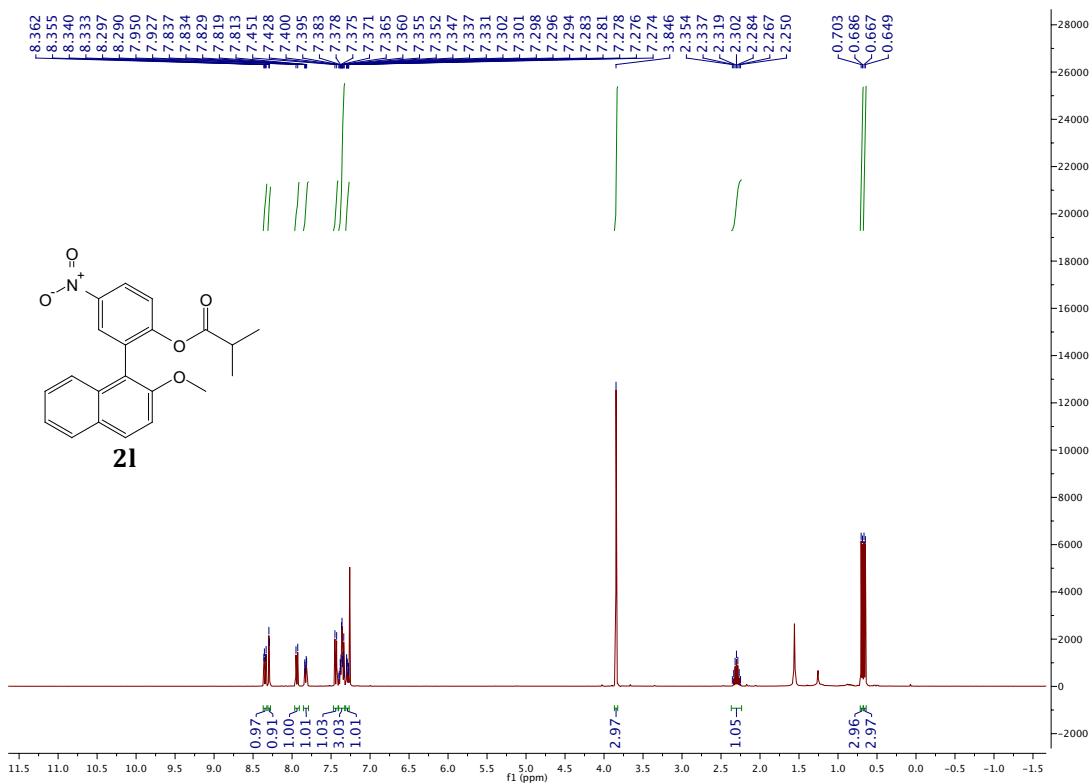
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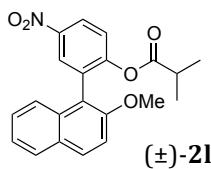


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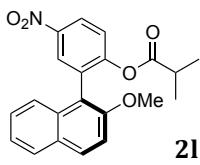
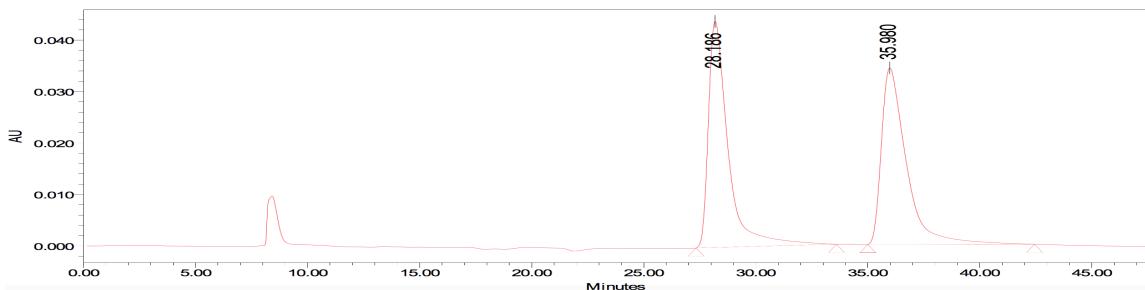






Peak Results

	Name	RT	Area	% Area
1		28.186	2692341	50.44
2		35.980	2645486	49.56



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	Name	RT	Area	% Area
1		28.535	6849044	51.21
2		36.624	6525749	48.79

