

Supporting Information

Lewis Acid Catalyzed Annulation of Spirocyclic Donor-Acceptor Cyclopropanes with *exo*-Heterocyclic Olefins: Access to Highly Functionalized bis-Spirocyclopentane Oxindole Frameworks

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1. General Experimental.

Unless otherwise indicated, all reactions were conducted with oven or flame-dried glassware and maintaining an inert (under nitrogen or argon) atmosphere. Solvents were dried according to standard procedures. All the reagents/catalysts were purchased commercially and used without any further purification. Reactions were monitored by TLC, using Merck silica gel 60 F 254 plates. The plates were visualized under UV light (254 nm) or by using 10% ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) or 1% aqueous KMnO_4 or iodine. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (230-400 mesh). ^1H , ^{13}C and ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded on Avance III, Bruker 400 MHz ^1H , 100 MHz ^{13}C and 376 MHz ^{19}F spectrometers respectively using CDCl_3 or DMSO-d_6 . ^1H NMR chemical shifts are expressed in ppm (δ) relative to $\delta = 7.26$ for CDCl_3 and $\delta = 2.50$ for DMSO-d_6 . ^{13}C NMR chemical shifts are expressed in ppm (δ) relative to $\delta = 77.16$ for CDCl_3 and $\delta = 39.51$ for DMSO-d_6 resonance. Coupling constants (J) are expressed in Hz. The following abbreviations were used to describe multiplicities of the signals: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dq = doublet of quartets, m = multiplet, b = broad. FT-IR experiments were performed on PerkinElmer Spectrum Version 10.03.08. HRMS and Electron Spray Ionization (ESI) (m/z) spectra were recorded on Agilent Technologies 6530 Accurate-Mass Q-TOF LC/MS. The melting points (Mps) were determined using a STUART SMP30 melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

2. (a) Preparation of starting material: Spirocyclopropyl oxindoles

Following Cyclopropyl spirooxindoles (**Figure S1**) were used in this study and were prepared according to the literature procedures as indicated in the parenthesis for each compound. Compounds **1d** was prepared using similar method as described in **Scheme S1**.

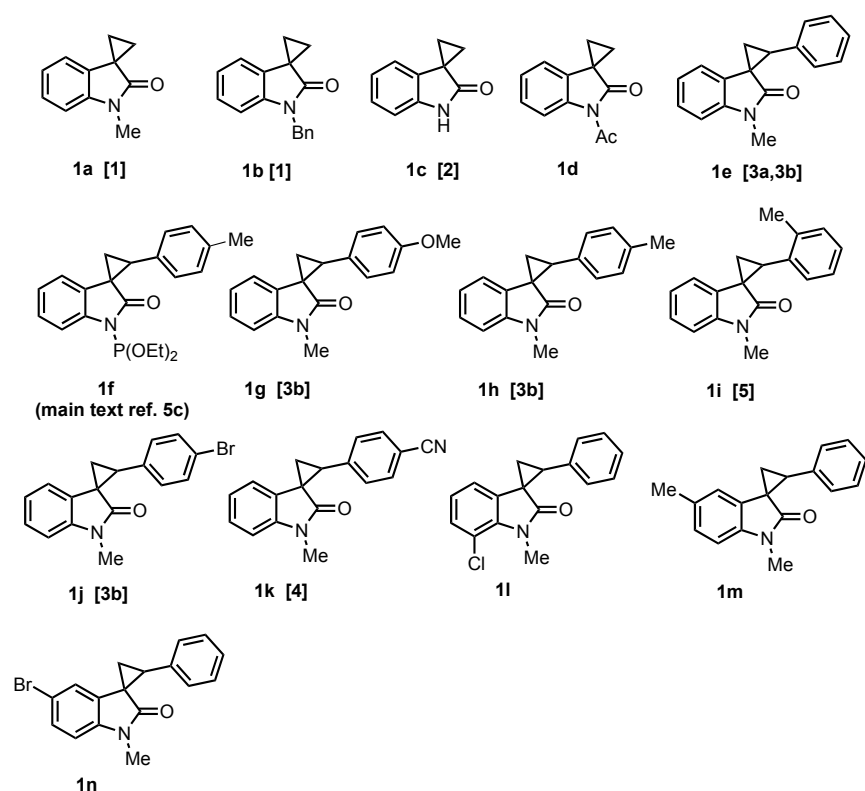
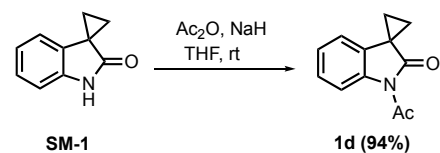
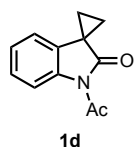


Figure S1. List of spirocyclopropyl oxindoles used in the study.



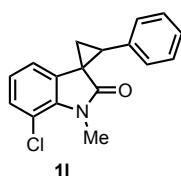
Scheme S1. Synthetic steps for the preparation of spirocyclopropyl oxindoles **1d**.

1'-acetylspiro[cyclopropane-1,3'-indolin]-2'-one (**1d**):



Compound **SM-1** is a known compound and prepared according to the literature procedure⁽²⁾. To a solution of compound **SM-1** (0.03 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dry THF (2 mL) was added sodium hydride (0.007 g, 0.28 mmol, 1.5 equiv) followed by acetic anhydride (0.023 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.2 equiv) at 0 °C. Then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3h. Upon completion of the reaction (TLC controlled), water was added to the reaction mixture (2 mL), extracted in EtOAc (10 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (using 1:9 EtOAc: Hexanes as eluent) to obtain compound **1d** as colorless oil in 94% (0.035 g) yield. *R_f* 0.6 (1:9 EtOAc: Hexanes); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 1.81-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.22 (brs, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.0, 171.1, 139.8, 129.9, 127.4, 125.1, 118.0, 116.7, 27.9, 26.8, 21.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calculated for C₁₂H₁₁NNaO₂ 224.0687, mass found 224.0679.

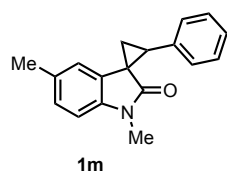
7'-chloro-1'-methyl-2-phenylspiro[cyclopropane-1,3'-indolin]-2'-one (**1l**):



Compound **1l** was prepared following the literature method that describes the synthesis of similar compounds^{3,4} and was isolated as mixture of diastereomers in 70% yield (d.r = 2:1). *R_f* 0.4 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.20 (m, 5.5H), 7.16-7.11 (2.5H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.5H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 0.5H), 6.52 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 1.5H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 0.5H), 2.40 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 5.0 Hz, 0.5H), 2.19 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 5.1 Hz, 0.5H), 1.95 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.8, 174.0, 139.4,

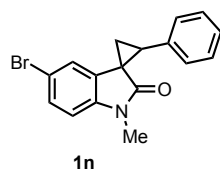
139.4, 134.8, 134.0, 133.7, 130.4, 130.1, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 122.7, 122.2, 119.2, 116.5, 115.5, 115.4, 39.3, 37.1, 33.9, 33.2, 30.2, 29.8, 23.4 (2); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[M+Na]^+$ calculated for $C_{17}H_{14}ClNNaO$ 306.0662, mass found 306.0646.

1',5'-dimethyl-2-phenylspiro[cyclopropane-1,3'-indolin]-2'-one (**1m**):



Compound **1m** was prepared following the similar procedure as compound **1l**, and isolated in 79% yield as a mixture of diastereomers (d.r = 2.5:1). R_f 0.5 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.35-7.27 (m, 4.3H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.04 (m, 1.3H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 3.35-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.33-3.13 (m, 0.3H), 2.39 (dd, J = 8.6, 5.1 Hz, 0.3H), 2.17 (dd, J = 9.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.03 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.0 Hz, 0.3H), 1.97 (dd, J = 7.9, 4.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 175.9, 173.2, 142.9, 142.5, 134.6, 133.9, 133.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 123.9, 121.5, 114.6, 114.3, 109.2, 109.1, 38.7, 36.4, 33.9, 33.4, 26.8, 26.6, 22.9, 22.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[M+Na]^+$ calculated for $C_{18}H_{17}NNaO$ 286.1208, mass found 286.1195.

5'-bromo-1'-methyl-2-phenylspiro[cyclopropane-1,3'-indolin]-2'-one (**1n**):



Compound **1n** was prepared following the similar procedure as compound **1l**, and isolated in 77% yield as a mixture of diastereomers (d.r = 3:1). R_f 0.5 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.35-7.27 (m, 4.3H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.04 (m, 1.3H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 3.35-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.33-3.13 (m, 0.3H), 2.39 (dd, J = 8.6, 5.1 Hz, 0.3H), 2.17 (dd, J = 9.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.03 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.0 Hz, 0.3H), 1.97 (dd, J = 7.9, 4.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 175.9, 173.2, 142.9, 142.5, 134.6, 133.9, 133.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 129.3,

128.6, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 123.9, 121.5, 114.6, 114.3, 109.2, 109.1, 38.7, 36.4, 33.9, 33.4, 26.8, 26.6, 22.9, 22.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[M+Na]^+$ calculated for $C_{17}H_{14}BrNNaO$ 350.0156, mass found 350.0139.

(b) 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivatives:

The following 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivatives (**2a-2m**) were used in the study (Figure S2). Spirooxindoles **2a-2e**, **2g-2k** and **2m** are known compounds and were prepared according to literature methods (references are given in the parenthesis). Compounds **2f** and **2l** were synthesized using similar method.

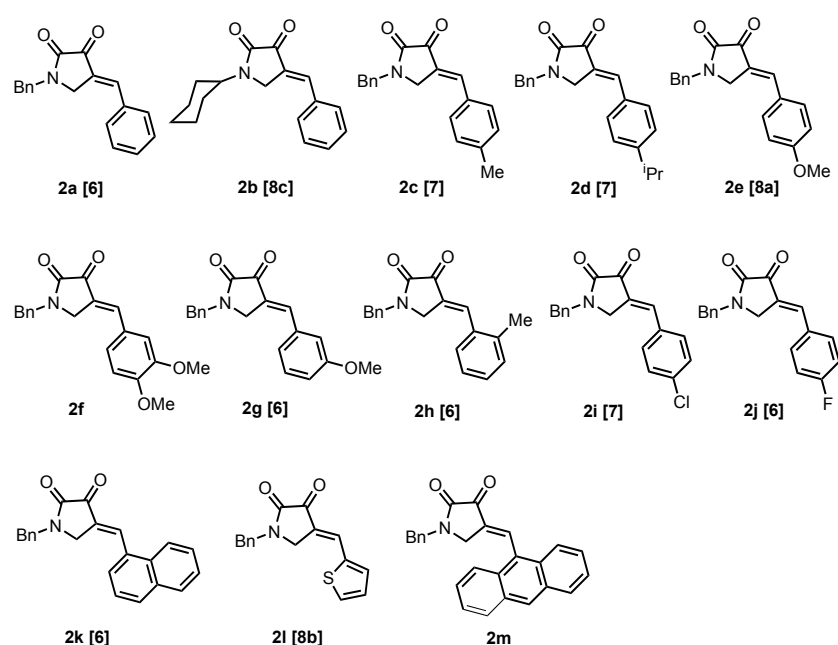
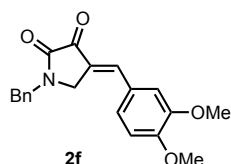


Figure S2. List of 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivatives used in the study.

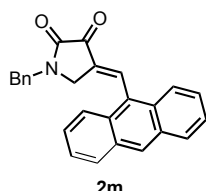
(E)-1-benzyl-4-(3,4-dimethoxybenzylidene)pyrrolidine-2,3-dione (2f**):**



Compound **2f** was prepared following the literature method that describes the synthesis of similar compounds^{7,8} and was isolated in 59% yield as light yellow solid. M.p. 190-192 °C; R_f 0.3 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 5H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.84-6.81 (m, 2H), 4.71 (s, 2H),

4.28 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 186.1, 161.1, 152.3, 149.4, 138.5, 134.8, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 126.5, 125.6, 122.8, 114.3, 111.6, 56.2, 56.1, 48.1, 46.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{NNaO}_4$ 360.1212, mass found 360.1195.

(E)-4-(anthracen-9-ylmethylene)-1-benzylpyrrolidine-2,3-dione (2m):



Compound **2m** was prepared following the literature method that describes the synthesis of similar compounds^{7,8} and was isolated in 55% yield as light yellow solid M.p. 210-212 °C; R_f 0.3 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.05-6.91 (m, 4H), 6.46-6.44 (m, 4H), 6.14-6.10 (m, 5H), 3.46 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 186.0, 160.8, 135.4, 133.6, 132.8, 130.9, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 127.1, 126.0, 125.4, 47.0, 45.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{NNaO}_2$ 400.1313, mass found 400.1327.

(c) Alkylidene pyrazolones derivatives:

The following substituted alkylidene pyrazolones (**4a-4l**) were used in the study (Figure S3) and synthesized according to literature methods (references are given in the parenthesis).

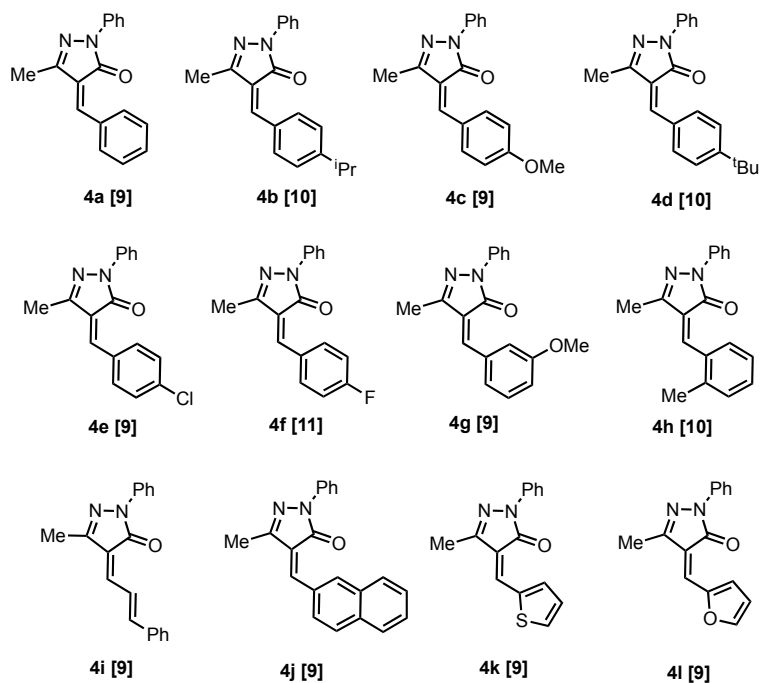
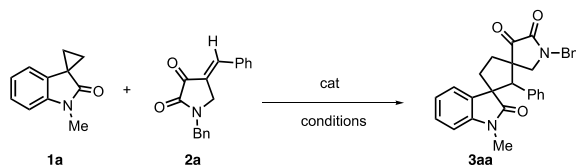


Figure S3. List of substituted alkylidene pyrazolones used in the study.

3. Optimization studies.



Entry	1a [equiv]	2a [equiv]	Cat.	[mol%]	Solvent	Conc[M]	Temp	Yield[%]	d.r
1	1.5	1.0	Sc(OTf) ₃	20	DCM	0.2	50	0	n.a
2	1.5	1.0	In(OTf) ₃	20	DCM	0.2	50	0	n.a
3	1.5	1.0	Mg(OTf) ₂	20	THF	0.2	85	0	n.a
4	1.5	1.0	MgBr ₂	20	THF	0.2	85	55	20:1
5	1.5	1.0	MgI₂	20	THF	0.2	85	96	8:1:1
6	1.0	1.0	MgI ₂	20	THF	0.2	85	55	n.d
7	1.5	1.0	MgI ₂	10	THF	0.2	85	58	12:3:2: 1
8	1.5	1.0	MgI ₂	20	1,4- dioxane	0.2	85	50	7:1:1
9	1.5	1.0	MgI ₂	20	THF	0.1	85	46	8:1:1
10	1.5	1.0	MgI ₂	20	THF	0.2	rt	0	n.a

d.r= diastereomeric ratio, DCM = dichloromethane, THF = tetrahydrofuran, n.a= not applicable, n.d = not determined, rt= room temperature.

Note: Following control experiments were performed in the study; (a) when only 1a was subjected to the reaction conditions used in entry 5, no significant side reaction or decomposition of 1a was observed by TLC and NMR analysis. (b) when compound 2a was subjected to the optimized reaction conditions used in entry 5, the substrate was decomposed to intractable product mixture over the period of 8 hours. No dimer mass was detected by MS analysis. This mixture was formed at the TLC base line in 4:1 EtOAc-hexane and formation of the same was observed during substrate scope investigation.

For entries 1-4, No trace of desired product was detected. **1a** was found completely unreacted in the reaction mixture and was recovered, however **2a** was completely decomposed in these cases; For entry 7, reaction was run for 24 h; For entry 10, both the starting materials were recovered from the reaction mixture.

The following olefins were initially screened for the reaction with **1a**.

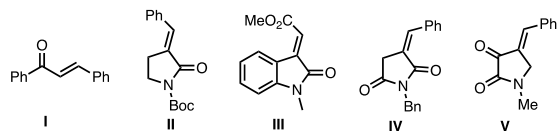
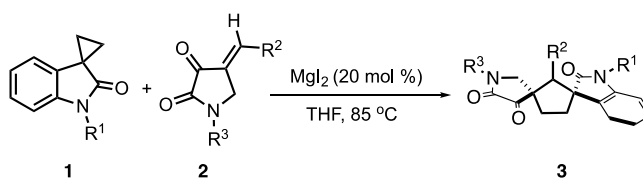


Figure S4. List of olefins screened in the study.

4. General procedure for the synthesis of dispiro-2,3-dioxopyrrolidine[cyclopentane]oxindole (3).

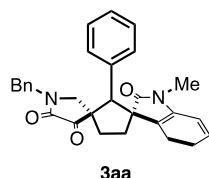


In a 10 ml sealed tube, oxindole-activated spiro-DAC (**1**; 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative (**2**; 1.0 equiv) were dissolved in dry THF (0.2 M) under argon. MgI₂ (20 mol%) was then added to this reaction mixture and it was heated to 85°C. Progress of the reaction was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) until disappearance of the starting materials (ca. 12-15 h) was observed.

The reaction was then diluted with EtOAc (2 mL), washed with water (2 mL) and brine (2 mL) and the organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography to obtain the bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivatives (**3**).

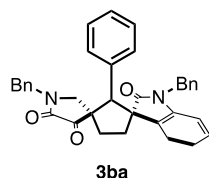
4. Characterization of dispiro-2,3-dioxopyrrolidine[cyclopentane]oxindole derivatives (3).

1''-benzyl-1-methyl-2'-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3aa):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.047 g, 0.27, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2a** (0.05 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3aa**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 68% (0.055 g, major diastereomer) yield. R_f 0.4 (2:3 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.08-6.95 (m, 6H), 6.78-6.71 (m, 3H), 4.50 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 1H), 3.90 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.65 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.57- 2.49 (m, 1H), 2.-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.20-2.14 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.33, 179.46, 158.99, 143.12, 134.51, 134.22, 130.25, 128.94, 128.77, 128.50, 128.28, 128.05, 127.95, 127.92, 123.29, 122.19, 108.23, 62.23, 58.77, 53.94, 48.42, 37.95, 37.57, 26.23; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ 451.2022, mass found 451.2011.

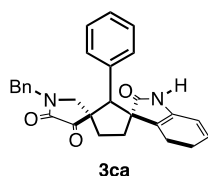
1,1''-dibenzyl-2'-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ba):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1b** (0.067 g, 0.27 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2a** (0.05 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ba**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (2:3 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give

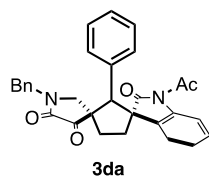
the title compound as colorless oil in 65% (0.054 g, major diastereomer) yield. Note: This compound can be isolated in 62 % yield when the reaction is performed with 1g of **2a**. R_f 0.3 (2:3 EtOAc:Hex); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.36 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 6H), 7.15-7.06 (m, 4H), 7.02-6.94 (m, 5H), 6.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.81 (m, 2H), 5.01-4.97 (m, 1H), 4.78 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.23 (s, 1H), 3.96 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.68 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.61-2.53 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.33 (m, 2H), 2.26-2.21 (m, 1H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.1, 179.3, 158.9, 142.4, 135.4, 134.4, 134.1, 130.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9 (2), 127.7, 127.3, 123.3, 122.3, 109.1, 61.9, 58.9, 53.9, 53.8, 48.3, 43.7, 37.9, 37.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ 527.2335, mass found 527.2314.

1''-benzyl-2'-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ca**):**



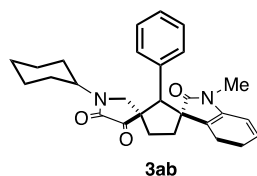
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1c** (0.043 g, 0.27 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2a** (0.05 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ca**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 38% (0.03 g, major diastereomer) yield. R_f 0.03 (2:3 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.31 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.11 (m, 3H), 7.14-7.05 (m, 2H), 7.01-6.99 (m, 3H), 6.95 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.51- 4.40 (m, 2H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 3.88 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.61 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.56-2.40 (m, 2H), 2.38-2.21 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.4, 181.3, 159.1, 140.1, 134.5, 134.2, 130.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 123.2, 122.7, 109.7, 62.1, 59.0, 53.9, 53.8, 48.1, 38.0, 37.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 459.1685, mass found 459.1665.

1-acetyl-1''-benzyl-2',4'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3da):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1d** (0.054 g, 0.27 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2a** (0.05 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3da**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 36% (0.031 g, major diastereomer) yield. R_f 0.6 (2:3 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.11 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.02 (m, 4H), 6.71 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.59 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.21 (s, 1H), 3.87 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.63 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.92 (d, $J = 29.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 2.51 – 2.44 (m, 2H), 2.38-2.26 (m, 2H) ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.4, 180.8, 179.6, 158.9, 139.5, 134.5, 137.8, 129.7, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.3 (2), 128.2, 128.1, 126.0, 122.0, 116.6, 62.9, 59.6, 53.8, 53.6, 48.5, 38.6, 38.2, 26.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ 479.1971, mass found 479.1964.

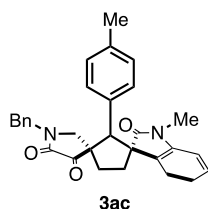
1''-cyclohexyl-1-methyl-2'-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ab):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.049 g, 0.29 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2b** (0.05 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ab**, which purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 65% (0.053 g) yield. R_f 0.4 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.06 (m, 3H), 7.02 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.81 (m, 2H), 6.75 (d, J

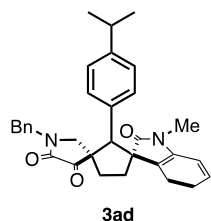
= 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (s, 1H), 3.99-3.91 (m, 2H), 3.63 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 2.62-2.54 (m, 1H), 2.48-2.43 (m, 2H), 2.23-2.18 (m, 1H), 1.79-1.76 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.59 (m, 3H), 1.47-1.40 (m, 2H), 1.07-0.91 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.4, 179.6, 158.6, 143.1, 134.3, 130.2, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 127.9, 123.3, 120.2, 108.3, 62.8, 58.8, 53.8, 52.4, 50.1, 37.9, 37.0, 29.6, 29.0, 26.3, 25.3, 25.2, 25.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ 443.2335, mass found 443.2325.

1''-benzyl-1-methyl-2'-(p-tolyl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ac):



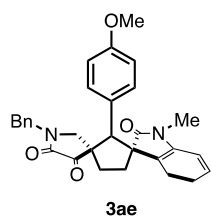
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.044 g, 0.26 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2c** (0.05 g, 0.17 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ac**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 57% (0.045 g) yield: R_f 0.5 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.03-6.96 (m, 3H), 6.79 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.49-4.41 (m 2H), 4.15 (s, 1H), 3.92 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.64 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.19-2.13 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.6, 179.6, 159.0, 143.1, 137.5, 134.6, 131.0, 130.4, 129.5, 128.8, 128.4, 128.1 (2), 127.8, 123.3, 122.2, 108.2, 62.1, 58.8, 54.0, 53.9, 48.4, 37.6, 37.5, 26.2, 21.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ 465.2178, mass found 465.2165.

1''-benzyl-2'-(4-isopropylphenyl)-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ad):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.042 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2d** (0.05 g, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ad**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:3 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 61% (0.047 g) yield. R_f 0.4 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.17 (m, 4H), 7.05-7.01 (m, 3H), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.60 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 1H), 3.87 (d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.63 (d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.76-2.69 (m, 1H), 2.53-2.38 (m, 3H), 2.19-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.11 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.22, 179.56, 159.12, 148.21, 143.17, 134.60, 131.55, 130.61, 128.91, 128.42, 128.22, 128.14, 128.06, 126.82, 123.30, 122.26, 108.23, 61.56, 58.72, 54.28, 53.93, 48.49, 37.72, 37.56, 33.52, 26.25, 23.74; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ 493.2491, mass found 493.2482.

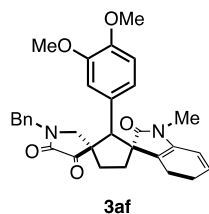
1''-benzyl-2'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ae):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.042 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2e** (0.05 g, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ae**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 66% (0.052 g) yield. R_f 0.5 (1:1

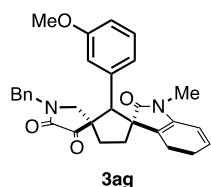
EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.02 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.96-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.71 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 3H), 6.50 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 4.51-4.42 (m, 2H), 4.11 (s, 1H), 3.95 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.66-3.62 (m, 4H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.19-2.13 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.7, 179.6, 159.0 (2), 143.2, 134.6, 130.4, 129.5, 128.9, 128.5, 128.1, 127.9, 126.0, 123.3, 122.2, 114.1, 108.2, 62.1, 58.9, 55.1, 53.9, 48.4, 37.5, 37.4, 26.2; HRMS m/z $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_4$ 503.1947, mass found 503.1935.

1''-benzyl-2'-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3af):



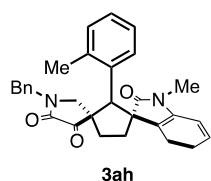
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.039 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2f** (0.05 g, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3af**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:13 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 54% (0.041 g) yield. R_f 0.35 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.03 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.31-6.27 (m, 2H), 4.62 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 1H), 3.96 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.63 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.58-2.30 (m, 3H), 2.21-2.15 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.03, 179.67, 159.06, 148.65, 148.46, 143.10, 134.49, 130.36, 128.83, 128.54, 128.06, 128.04, 126.39, 123.40, 122.25, 120.84, 111.01, 110.88, 108.23, 62.56, 58.87, 55.68, 55.62, 54.05, 53.79, 48.49, 37.62, 37.42, 26.22; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$ 511.2233, mass found 511.2216.

1''-benzyl-2'-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ag):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.042 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2g** (0.05 g, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ag**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (7:13 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 58% (0.045 g) yield. R_f 0.4 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 4H), 7.04-6.93 (m, 3H), 6.91 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 4.47 (brs, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 3.90 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.64 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.28 (m, 3H), 2.19-2.14 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.5, 179.5, 159.6, 159.0, 143.1, 135.7, 134.6, 130.2, 129.8, 128.9, 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 123.3, 122.2, 120.4, 113.9, 113.4, 108.3, 62.2, 58.6, 55.0, 54.1, 53.8, 48.5, 37.7, 37.6, 26.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ 481.2127, mass found 481.2115.

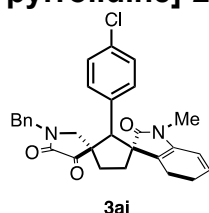
1''-benzyl-1-methyl-2'-(o-tolyl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ah):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.044 g, 0.26 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2h** (0.05 g, 0.17 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ah**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 53% (0.042 g) yield. R_f 0.5 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 (brs, 3H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.04-6.85 (m, 6H), 6.63 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, $J = 14.6$

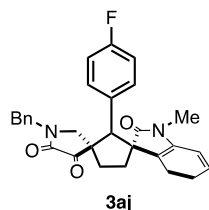
Hz, 1H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 4.20 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.01 (d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.66 (d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 2.70-2.62 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.33 (m, 2H), 2.17-2.14 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.01, 179.83, 158.94, 143.19, 137.72, 134.56, 132.58, 131.22, 130.30, 129.04, 128.51, 128.20, 128.17, 128.10, 127.67, 125.72, 122.99, 122.09, 108.19, 60.59, 50.56, 54.02, 53.67, 48.45, 38.00, 36.63, 26.16, 20.54; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 487.1998, mass found 487.1988.

1''-benzyl-2'-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ai):



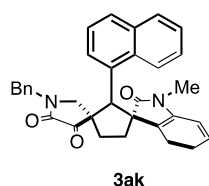
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.042 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2i** (0.05 g, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ai**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 62% (0.048 g) yield. R_f 0.45 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.66-7.52 (m, 6H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.08-7.03 (m, 3H), 4.98 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.45 (s, 1H), 4.22 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.01 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.94-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.81-2.64 (m, 2H), 2.56-2.50 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.3, 179.2, 158.8, 143.1, 134.4, 133.9, 132.6, 129.9, 129.7, 129.0, 128.7, 128.1 (2), 123.4, 122.2, 108.4, 61.7, 58.9, 53.7, 53.6, 48.5, 37.7, 37.5, 26.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{26}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3$ 485.1632, mass found 485.1619.

1''-benzyl-2'-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3aj):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.044 g, 0.26 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2j** (0.05 g, 0.17 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3aj**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 54% (0.043 g) yield. R_f 0.4 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.19 (m, 4H), 7.05 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.00-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.78-6.73 (m, 3H), 6.66 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.61 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.14 (s, 1H), 3.91 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.68 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 2.61-2.53 (m, 1H), 2.48-2.31 (m, 2H), 2.23-2.17 (m, 1H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.3, 179.3, 162.2 (d, $J = 247.5$ Hz), 158.9, 143.1, 134.5, 130.1, 130.1, 130.0, 129.9 (2), 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 122.8 (d, $J = 122.9$ Hz), 115.8 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 108.3, 61.7, 60.0, 53.8, 53.7, 48.5, 37.6, 37.4, 26.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{26}\text{FN}_2\text{O}_3$ 469.1927, mass found 469.1916.

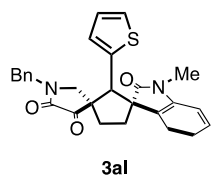
1''-benzyl-1-methyl-2'-(naphthalen-1-yl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3ak):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.039 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2k** (0.05 g, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3ak**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as a mixture of two diastereomers in 55% (0.046 g) yield. R_f 0.45 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d,

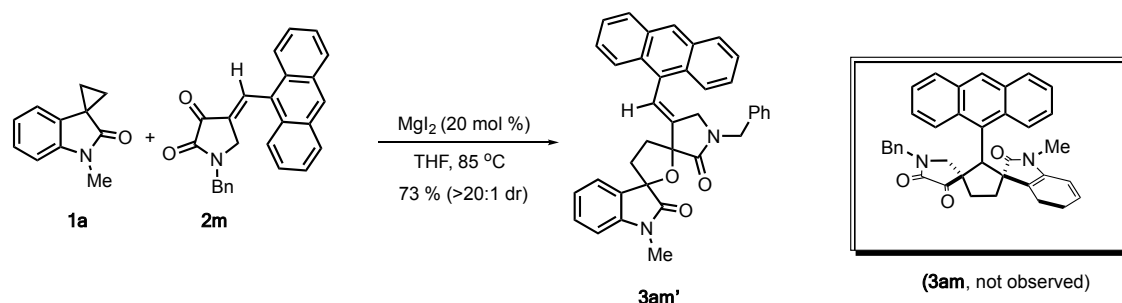
$J = 8.5$ Hz, 0.2H), 7.75-7.68 (m, 1.2H), 7.57-7.47 (m, 2.2H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 2.6H), 7.29-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.04 (m, 6H), 6.96-6.87 (m, 2H), 6.76 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.4H), 6.64 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 0.2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.92 (s, 0.2H), 4.50 (d, $J = 15.1$ Hz, 0.2H), 4.39-4.33 (m, 1.2H), 4.18 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.62 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.51 (d, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 0.2H), 3.41-3.38 (m, 0.2H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.00-2.95 (m, 0.2H), 2.90 (s, 0.5H), 2.82-2.74 (m, 1H), 2.55-2.36 (m, 2.6H), 2.21-2.26 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.7, 205.2, 181.7, 179.9, 159.5, 158.7, 143.2, 143.0, 134.4, 133.9, 133.8, 133.7, 132.9, 132.2, 131.7, 130.4, 130.2, 129.8, 129.0 (2), 128.9, 128.8 (2), 128.6 (2), 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 128.8 (2), 127.6, 127.3, 126.5, 126.1, 126.0, 125.7, 125.6, 124.7, 124.5, 123.2, 122.9, 122.8, 122.6, 122.0, 108.2, 107.6, 60.4, 59.8, 58.3, 55.4, 54.5, 54.2, 53.4, 51.7, 48.2, 48.1, 37.9, 37.7, 37.2, 36.9, 26.4, 26.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 523.1988, mass found 523.1981.

1''-benzyl-1-methyl-2'-(thiophen-2-yl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3al):



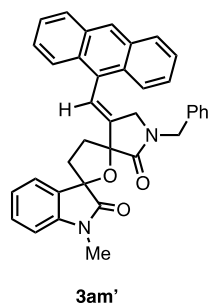
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.047 g, 0.27 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2m** (0.05 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **3al**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 56% (0.045 g) yield. R_f 0.6 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.27 (brs, 3H), 7.22 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.04 (m, 3H), 6.93 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.66-6.64 (m, 1H), 6.47-6.46 (m, 1H), 4.62 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.40 (s, 1H), 4.13 (d, $J = 12.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.66 (d, $J = 12.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.17 (s, 3H), 2.46-2.42 (m, 2H), 2.35-2.21 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.70, 178.92, 158.94, 143.44, 135.66, 134.65, 130.43, 129.00, 128.74, 128.30, 128.07, 126.97, 126.73, 125.17, 123.38, 122.31, 108.31, 59.27, 57.87, 54.43, 53.72, 48.59, 37.63, 36.83, 26.36; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$ 457.1586, mass found 457.1574.

5. C-3 carbonyl annulation of 9-anthracene substituted pyrrolidine-2,3-dione derivative (3m) with DAC (1a).



Scheme S2: Observed C-3 carbonyl annulation of 9-anthracene substituted pyrrolidine-2,3-dione derivative **2m** with DAC **1a**.

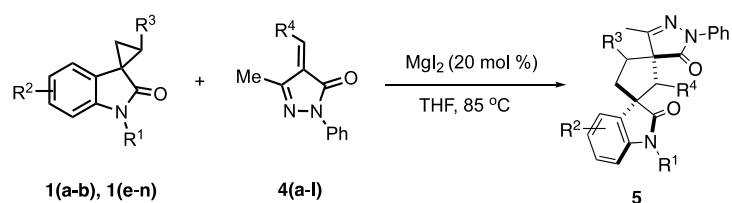
2'-(anthracen-9-yl)-1''-benzyl-1-methyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (3am'**):**



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.035 g, 0.20mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine derivative **2m** (0.05 g, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spiroheterocyclic derivative **3am'**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as colorless oil in 73% (0.052 g) yield as single diastereomer. R_f 0.5 (1:1 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.90-7.84 (m, 3H), 7.58 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.12 (m, 6H), 7.06-7.02 (m, 3H), 6.21 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.18-5.13 (m, 1H), 4.66 (q, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, $J = 21.2, 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 2.96 (s, 2H), 2.43-2.48 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.7, 171.8, 143.3, 135.4, 134.7, 131.2, 131.1, 131.0, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6 (2), 128.5, 128.4 (2), 127.4, 126.8, 126.1, 125.8, 125.5, 125.4, 125.3 (2), 125.1, 125.0,

123.4, 108.4, 89.0, 68.2, 59.8, 47.0, 46.8, 36.1, 26.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺
calculated for C₃₇H₃₀N₂NaO₃ 573.2154, mass found 573.2139.

6. General procedure for the synthesis of dispiropyrazolone[cyclopentane]oxindole (5).

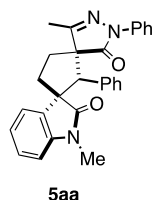


Oxindole-activated spiro-DAC (**1**; 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone (**4**; 1.0 equiv) were taken in dry THF (0.2 M) under argon and was added MgI₂ (20 mol%). The reaction mixture was heated to 85°C. Progress of the reaction was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) until disappearance of the starting materials (ca. 12-15 h) was observed.

The reaction was then diluted with EtOAc (2 mL), washed with water (2 mL) and brine (2 mL) and the organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography to obtain the bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivatives (**5**).

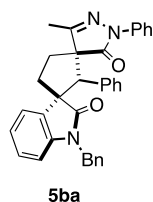
7. Characterization of dispiropyrazolone[cyclopentane]oxindole derivatives (5).

1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5aa):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.049 g, 0.29 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.05 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5aa**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as single diastereomer in 82% (0.068 g) yield. R_f 0.3 (2:3 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 3H), 6.86 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 1H), 3.44-3.36 (m, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.14-3.07 (m, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.48 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.3, 173.7, 161.0, 143.6, 138.1, 133.3, 132.7, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1 (2), 124.6, 122.6, 121.3, 118.9, 108.0, 64.2, 64.1, 59.1, 37.5, 34.2, 26.2, 13.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 458.1844, mass found 458.1827.

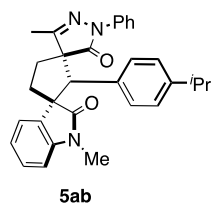
1-benzyl-3''-methyl-1'',2'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ba):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1b** (0.056 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.04 g, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ba**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hex as eluent) to give the title compound as single diastereomer in 85% (0.067 g) yield. R_f 0.3 (3:7

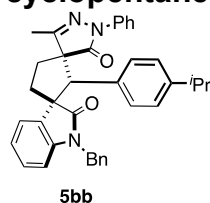
EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.80 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.40-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.20-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.04 (m, 9H), 6.72 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 6.49-6.47 (m, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 1H), 3.25-3.18 (m, 1H), 3.01-2.95 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.29 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.1, 173.8, 160.6, 142.6, 138.1, 135.7, 134.0, 133.3, 129.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4 (2), 128.2, 127.2, 127.0, 124.7, 122.7, 121.4, 118.8, 109.0, 64.6, 64.4, 59.1, 53.7, 37.7, 34.6, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ 512.2338, mass found 512.2318.

2'-(4-isopropylphenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1''-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ab):



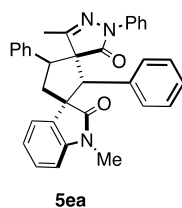
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1a** (0.042 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4b** (0.05 g, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ab**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as single diastereomer in 70% (0.055 g, colorless oil) yield. R_f 0.5 (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 1H), 3.18-3.13 (m, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.91-2.84 (m, 1H), 2.71-2.64 (m, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.34-2.24 (m, 2H), 1.04 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.4, 173.7, 161.0, 148.4, 143.6, 138.0, 132.9, 130.6, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 126.4, 124.6, 122.5, 121.3, 119.1, 107.9, 64.3, 63.7, 58.8, 37.7, 33.8, 33.6, 26.1, 23.8, 23.7, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 500.2314, mass found 500.2304.

1-benzyl-2'-(4-isopropylphenyl)-3''-methyl-1''-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5bb):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1b** (0.048 g, 0.20 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4b** (0.04 g, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5bb**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as single diastereomer in 97% (0.07 g, colorless oil) yield. R_f 0.3 (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.06 (m, 8H), 6.91 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.48 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 1H), 3.17-3.11 (m, 1H), 3.04-2.98 (m, 1H), 2.77-2.70 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.27 (m, 5H), 1.10 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.2, 173.8, 160.7, 148.5, 142.7, 138.1, 135.8, 133.9, 130.6, 129.6, 128.6 (2), 128.3, 127.2 (2), 126.4, 124.8, 122.7, 121.4, 119.0, 109.1, 64.5, 64.0, 58.9, 43.8, 38.1, 34.2, 33.6, 23.9, 23.7, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ 554.2808, mass found 554.2797.

1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2',4'-triphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ea):



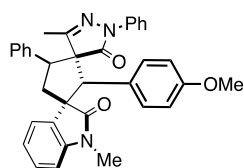
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.071 g, 0.29 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.05 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ea** as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.5:1) in 98% (0.1 g) combined yield. This diastereomeric mixture was subjected to further chromatographic separation (1:6 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to obtain each of the isomer separately for the purpose of X-ray single crystal analysis. This operation afforded the major diastereomer in 44% (0.043 g) yield and

minor diastereomer was isolated in 28% (0.027 g) yield. Note: Compound **5ea** can be isolated in 92 % combined yield when the reaction is performed with 1g of **4a**.

Major diastereomer: R_f 0.24 (1:5 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 7.40 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.11-7.07 (m, 6H), 6.73 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.35 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.18-4.12 (m, 2H), 2.95 (s, 3H), 2.37-2.34 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.4, 170.9, 158.2, 143.3, 137.8, 137.0, 135.1, 133.8, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5 (2), 128.4, 128.1 (2), 128.0, 124.9, 122.8, 121.4, 119.4, 107.9, 69.5, 64.3, 57.3, 52.6, 40.3, 26.3, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 534.2157, mass found 534.2147.

Minor diastereomer: R_f 0.22 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.60 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.06 (m, 7H), 6.69 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.65 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.89 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.68 (dd, $J = 12.7, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.07 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.6, 173.7, 160.6, 143.7, 138.3, 138.0, 133.2, 129.7, 128.8 (2), 128.6, 128.1 (2), 127.3, 126.5, 124.8, 122.6, 121.4, 119.1, 108.1, 68.7, 62.9, 58.1, 50.0, 40.7, 26.3, 15.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 534.2157, mass found 534.2150.

2'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ec**):**

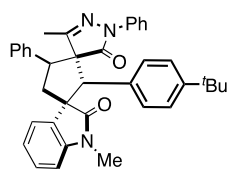


5ec

Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.052 g, 0.21 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4c** (0.04 g, 0.14 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ec**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r =2:1) in 91% (0.067 g, colorless oil) combined yield. R_f 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 2.6H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 5.6H), 7.20-7.04 (m, 9H), 6.71-6.65 (m, 1.6H), 6.58 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 3H), 5.61 (dd,

$J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.6H), 4.31 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.13-4.08 (m, 2H), 3.99 (s, 0.6H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 1.8H), 3.15 (s, 1.7H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.85 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 0.6H), 2.65 (dd, $J = 12.7, 6.0$ Hz, 0.6H), 2.34-2.30 (m, 4H), 2.04 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.6, 176.5, 173.8, 171.0, 160.7, 159.3, 158.3, 143.7, 143.3, 138.3, 138.0, 137.8, 137.0, 135.3, 131.3, 130.7, 130.5, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5 (2), 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.2, 126.4, 125.7, 125.2, 124.8, 124.7, 122.8, 122.5, 121.4, 121.3, 119.3, 119.0, 113.7, 113.4, 108.1, 107.8, 69.7, 68.7, 63.8, 62.3, 58.3, 57.3, 55.1, 55.0, 52.4, 49.9, 40.4, 40.3, 26.3, 26.2, 15.6, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_3$ 564.2263, mass found 564.2241.

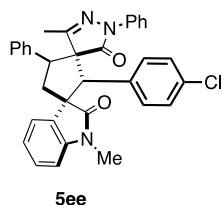
2'-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ed):



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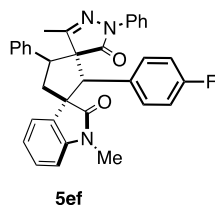
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.049 g, 0.20 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4d** (0.04 g, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ed**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hex as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.2:1) in 98% (0.07 g) combined yield. R_f 0.25 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.36 (m, 14H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.17 (m, 5H), 6.92 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 5.78 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.8$ Hz, 0.8H), 4.51 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.35-4.26 (m, 3.7H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 3.13 (s, 2.4H), 3.05 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dd, $J = 12.6, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.58-2.49 (m, 3.4H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 7H), 1.31 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.7, 176.5, 173.8, 171.0, 160.6, 158.4, 150.8, 150.7, 143.9, 143.3, 138.5, 137.8, 137.2, 135.2, 130.8 (2), 130.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7 (2), 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.2, 126.5, 125.3, 125.0, 124.8, 122.8, 122.6, 121.4 (2), 119.4, 108.2, 107.9, 69.5, 67.0, 63.8, 63.2, 57.5, 57.2, 52.6, 49.1, 41.3, 40.4, 34.4 (2), 31.2 (2), 26.4, 26.2, 15.6, 13.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{38}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ 568.2964, mass found 568.2956.

2'-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ee):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.049 g, 0.20 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4e** (0.04 g, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ee**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2:1) in 88% (0.065 g) combined yield. R_f 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.54 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 5H), 7.18-7.10 (m, 5H), 7.06-7.06 (m, 6H), 6.74-6.68 (m, 2H), 5.61 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.6H), 4.31 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.11 (m, 2H), 3.99 (s, 0.6H), 3.15 (s, 1.7H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 2.87 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 0.6H), 2.66 (dd, $J = 12.7, 6.0$ Hz, 0.6H), 2.36-2.31 (m, 4H), 2.05 (s, 1.7H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.3, 176.2, 173.5, 170.7, 160.5, 158.0, 143.6, 143.2, 137.9, 137.6 (2), 134.9, 134.2 (2), 132.3, 131.7, 131.3, 130.8, 130.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6 (4), 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.4, 126.4, 125.0, 124.9, 123.0, 122.7, 121.4, 121.3, 119.3, 119.0, 108.3, 108.0, 69.6, 68.5, 63.4, 62.0, 58.3, 57.2, 52.5, 50.3, 40.4, 26.3 (2), 15.7, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{28}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 568.1768, mass found 568.1747.

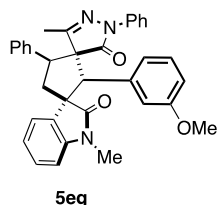
2'-(4-fluorophenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ef):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.052 g, 0.21 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4f** (0.04 g, 0.14 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ef**, which was purified by

silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.5:1) in 98% (0.074 g) combined yield. R_f 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64-7.54 (m, 4.4H), 7.39-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.05 (m, 14H), 6.78-6.67 (m, 5.21H), 5.62 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.7H), 4.32 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.09 (m, 2.1H), 4.00 (s, 0.7H), 3.15 (s, 2H), 2.95 (s, 3H), 2.87 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.66 (dd, $J = 12.7, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.36-2.32 (m, 4H), 2.05 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.4, 176.3, 162.60 (d, $J = 247.3$ Hz), 173.7, 170.8, 160.6, 158.1, 143.6, 143.2, 138.1, 137.9, 137.7, 136.7, 135.0, 131.7 (2), 131.2 (2), 130.3, 129.5 (2), 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6 (2), 128.1, 127.9, 127.3, 126.4, 125.0, 124.9, 123.0, 122.7, 121.4, 121.3, 119.3, 119.0, 115.4, 115.2, 11.51, 114.9, 108.2, 108.0, 69.7, 68.6, 63.5, 62.1, 58.4, 57.2, 52.4, 50.1, 40.4, 26.3 (2), 15.6, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{28}\text{FN}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 522.2063, mass found 522.2051.

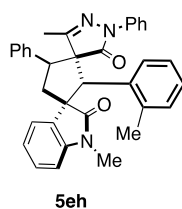
2'-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5eg):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.052 g, 0.21 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4g** (0.04 g, 0.14 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5eg**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:3 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2:1) in 76% (0.056 g) combined yield. R_f 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68-7.59 (m, 4H), 7.41 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 7.35-7.28 (m, 6H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.07 (m, 4H), 6.99-6.89 (m, 4H), 6.76-6.56 (m, 5H), 5.64 (dd, $J = 13.8, 5.8$ Hz, 0.6H), 4.35 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.17-4.11 (m, 2H), 4.05 (s, 0.6H), 3.71 (s, 1.8H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 1.8H), 2.99 (s, 3H), 2.89 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, $J = 12.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.6H), 2.38-2.34 (m, 4H), 2.09 (s, 1.8H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.6, 176.4, 173.7, 171.1, 160.6, 159.3, 159.1, 158.3, 143.7, 143.3, 138.1, 137.8, 137.0, 135.3, 135.1, 134.7, 130.5,

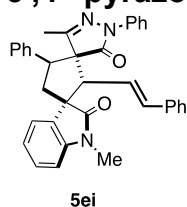
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1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyl-2'-(m-tolyl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5eh):



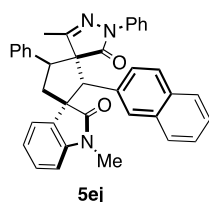
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.052 g, 0.21 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4h** (0.04 g, 0.14 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5eh**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hex as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2:1) in 85% (0.065 g) combined yield. *R_f* 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 0.5H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 0.5H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.10 (m, 8H), 7.09-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.01-6.90 (m, 3H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 0.5H), 6.68-6.62 (m, 1.5H), 5.69 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 5.8 Hz, 0.5H), 4.62 (s, 0.5H), 4.60 (s, 1H), 4.42 (t, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (s, 1.5H), 2.92 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 0.5H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 2.67 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.41-2.35 (m, 4H), 2.07 (s, 1.5H), 2.03 (s, 1.5H), 1.65 (s, 3H) ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.1, 176.5, 173.8, 171.4, 160.8, 158.3, 143.7, 143.4, 138.4, 137.9, 137.8, 136.5, 136.3, 135.9, 135.2, 132.1, 131.8, 130.7, 130.5, 130.0, 129.9, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5 (3), 128.0 (2), 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 126.5, 126.4, 125.8, 124.9, 124.8, 122.8, 122.3, 121.6, 121.5, 119.4, 119.2, 108.2, 107.9, 70.1, 68.1, 58.9, 58.4, 57.3, 56.2, 52.8, 49.9, 40.5, 39.9, 26.3, 26.2, 20.2, 19.8, 15.9, 14.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+H]⁺ calculated for C₃₅H₃₂N₃O₂ 526.2495, mass found 526.2487.

(E)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyl-2'-styryldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ei):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.052 g, 0.21 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4i** (0.04 g, 0.14 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ei**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2:1) in 97% (0.073 g) combined yield. R_f 0.25 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 0.6H), 7.43-7.30 (m, 6.6H), 7.24 – 7.03 (m, 18H), 6.82-6.77 (m, 1.6H), 6.65-6.53 (m, 1.6H), 6.11 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 0.6H), 5.93 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (dd, J = 13.8, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.23-4.10 (m, 1H), 3.62 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 0.6H), 3.53 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.17 (s, 1.7H), 2.90 (t, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.66-2.59 (m, 1H), 2.46 (s, 1.7H), 2.26 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 0.6H), 2.12 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.13, 176.18, 173.46, 170.99, 160.76, 158.05, 144.11, 143.37, 138.16, 137.65, 137.61, 136.95, 136.22, 136.11, 135.32, 134.00, 133.82, 130.81, 128.86, 128.77, 128.71, 128.60, 128.50, 128.43, 128.42, 128.00, 127.82, 127.75 (2), 127.35, 126.92, 126.81, 126.40, 124.81, 124.00, 123.31, 122.87, 122.76, 121.77, 121.59, 119.25, 118.93, 108.27, 108.16, 69.81, 68.86, 60.11, 59.13, 58.14, 56.55, 52.21, 51.00, 41.32, 40.35, 26.51, 26.24, 15.99, 13.77; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ 538.2495, mass found 538.2485.

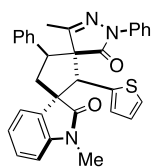
1,3''-dimethyl-2'-(naphthalen-2-yl)-1'',4'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ej):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.049 g, 0.20 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4j** (0.04 g, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ej**, which was purified by

silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.5:1) in 93% (0.067 g) combined yield. R_f 0.15 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67-7.61 (m, 3.3H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 7.3H), 7.45-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.36-7.27 (m, 6.6H), 7.25-7.15 (m, 8.4H), 7.12 – 6.99 (m, 2.3H), 6.70 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.6H), 5.70 (dd, J = 13.7, 5.8 Hz, 0.6H), 4.43 – 4.35 (m, 2H), 4.21 – 4.16 (m, 1.6 H), 3.15 (s, 2H), 2.96-2.89 (m, 3.6 H), 2.70 (dd, J = 12.6, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40 – 2.35 (m, 4H), 2.12 (s, 2H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.59, 176.41, 173.73, 170.99, 160.62, 158.20, 143.64, 143.30, 138.13, 137.91, 137.75, 136.99, 135.08, 132.95, 132.84, 131.62, 130.88, 130.46, 129.31, 128.80, 128.76, 128.57, 128.53, 128.32, 128.10, 128.08, 127.99, 127.67, 127.45, 127.37, 127.30, 126.95, 126.49, 126.09, 126.07, 125.88, 125.79, 124.89, 124.68, 122.87, 122.60, 121.42, 121.37, 119.37, 118.94, 108.19, 107.98, 69.52, 68.64, 64.36, 62.97, 58.29, 57.20, 52.55, 50.39, 40.64, 26.30, 26.23, 15.76, 13.76; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 584.2314, mass found 584.2297.

1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyl-2'-(thiophen-2-yl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ek):

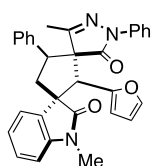


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Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.056 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4k** (0.04 g, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ek**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.5:1) in 97% (0.075 g) combined yield. R_f 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 7.35-7.27 (m, 5H), 7.24-7.16 (m, 5H), 7.14– 6.92 (m, 7H), 6.78-6.73 (m, 3H), 5.59 (dd, J = 13.8, 5.9 Hz, 0.7H), 4.42 (s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 0.7H), 4.34 – 4.24 (m, 1H), 4.10 (dd, J = 14.1, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (s, 2H), 3.02 (s, 3H), 2.87 (t, J = 13.3 Hz, 0.7H), 2.66 (dd, J = 12.8, 6.0 Hz, 0.7H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.33 (dd, J = 12.6, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 2H); ^{13}C

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.00, 176.02, 173.20, 170.049, 160.35, 157.84, 143.93, 143.35, 138.02, 137.86, 137.76, 136.57, 134.95, 134.63, 134.38, 130.26, 129.00, 128.74, 128.67, 128.61, 128.58, 128.52, 128.11, 127.86, 127.55, 127.53, 127.37, 127.31, 127.15, 126.41, 124.82, 124.76, 124.59, 122.89, 122.67, 121.39, 121.34, 119.17, 118.98, 108.19, 108.00, 69.87, 68.49, 58.40, 58.29, 57.23, 56.82, 52.26, 49.81, 40.33, 40.24, 26.33, 26.30, 15.58, 13.55; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calculated for C₃₂H₂₇N₃NaO₂S 540.1722, mass found 540.1711.

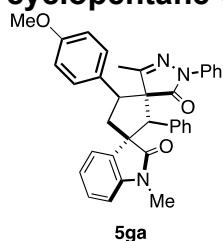
2'-(furan-2-yl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',4'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5el):



5el

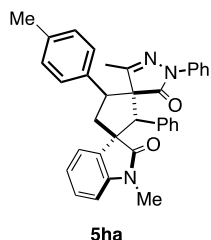
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1e** (0.060 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4l** (0.04 g, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5el**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1:1) in 95% (0.075 g) combined yield. *R_f* 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.27 (m, 8H), 7.24-6.99 (m, 15H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.22-6.16 (m, 2H), 6.11 (brs, 2H), 5.46 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (s, 1H), 4.31 (s, 1H), 4.24-4.18 (m, 1H), 4.09 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.86 (t, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (dd, *J* = 12.8, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.24 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.83, 175.95, 172.95, 170.36, 160.41, 158.40, 148.49, 148.39, 153.85, 143.22, 141.65, 141.32, 138.21, 137.74, 137.48, 136.89, 134.74, 130.31, 129.07, 128.73, 128.71, 128.57, 128.55, 128.15, 127.83, 127.36, 126.39, 124.80, 124.72, 122.80, 122.74, 121.61, 121.40, 119.12, 118.95, 111.09, 110.73, 108.54, 108.38, 108.22, 108.10, 68.17, 66.97, 56.10, 55.63, 55.55, 54.39, 52.26, 50.11, 41.04, 40.82, 26.45, 26.34, 15.72, 13.54; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+H]⁺ calculated for C₃₂H₂₈N₃O₃ 502.2131, mass found 502.2127.

4'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2'-diphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ga):



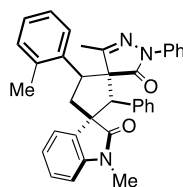
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1g** (0.063 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.04 g, 0.15mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ga**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.3:1) in 85% (0.07 g) combined yield. R_f 0.2 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62-7.57 (m, 4H), 7.53-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.16 (m, 6H), 7.12-7.04 (m, 10H), 6.99-6.92 (m, 1H), 6.79-6.77 (m, 4H), 6.71-6.65 (m, 2H), 5.56 (dd, J = 13.8, 5.8 Hz, 0.7H), 4.27 (t, J = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (s, 1H), 4.08 (dd, J = 14.1, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.68 (brs, 0.7H), 3.29 (t, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (s, 2H), 2.92 (s, 3H), 2.84 (t, J = 13.2 Hz, 0.7H), 2.62 (dd, J = 12.6, 5.9 Hz, 0.7H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.31-2.28 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.6, 176.4, 173.7, 171.1, 160.8, 159.2, 158.6, 158.3, 143.7, 143.2, 138.0, 137.8, 137.0, 133.9, 133.3, 130.6, 130.1, 129.7, 129.1 (2), 128.8 (2), 128.6, 128.5, 128.4 (2), 128.1, 128.0, 127.5, 127.1, 124.8, 124.7, 122.8, 122.7, 121.4 (2), 119.3, 119.0, 114.1, 113.9, 108.1, 107.9, 69.5, 68.7, 64.2, 62.7, 58.1, 57.2, 55.2, 52.1, 49.6, 41.0, 40.6, 26.2 (2), 15.7, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_3$ 564.2263, mass found 564.2252.

1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2'-diphenyl-4'-(p-tolyl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ha):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1h** (0.063 g, 0.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.05 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ha**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.6:1) in 65% (0.065 g) combined yield. R_f 0.3 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61-7.57 (m, 5H), 7.39 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.16 (m, 6H), 7.11-7.00 (m, 17H), 6.71-6.65 (m, 2H), 5.57 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.8$ Hz, 0.7H), 4.30 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.06 (m, 2H), 4.04 (s, 0.7H), 3.16 (s, 2H), 2.92 (s, 3H), 2.84 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.63 (dd, $J = 12.6, 5.9$ Hz, 0.7H), 2.33-2.30 (m, 4H), 2.29 (s, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.6, 176.5, 173.8, 171.1, 160.7, 158.3, 143.7, 143.3, 138.0, 137.9, 137.7, 137.0, 136.8, 135.1, 133.9, 133.3, 133.1, 130.6, 129.7, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4 (2), 128.1 (2), 127.9, 126.4, 124.8, 124.7, 122.8, 122.6, 121.4, 119.3, 119.1, 108.1, 107.9, 69.5, 68.7, 64.4, 62.8, 58.1, 57.3, 52.4, 49.8, 40.8, 40.6, 26.3, 26.2, 21.2 (2), 15.7, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 548.2314, mass found 548.2290.

1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2''-diphenyl-4''-(o-tolyl)dispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ia):

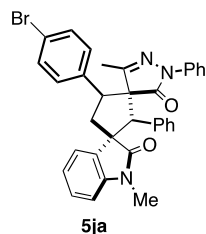


5ia

Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1i** (0.068 g, 0.26 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.045 g, 0.17 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ia**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 1.5:1) in 44% (0.04 g) combined yield. R_f 0.25 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.68 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.42 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.17 (m, 5H), 7.14-7.02 (m, 16H), 6.72-6.67 (m, 2H), 5.69 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.7H), 4.41 (dd, $J = 13.9, 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.22-4.14 (m, 2H), 4.12 (s, 0.7H), 3.22 (s, 2H), 3.08 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 0.7H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.5.-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.29-2.27 (m, 1H), 2.25-

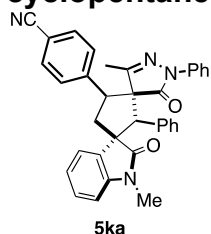
2.24 (m, 5H), 2.21 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.7, 176.3, 173.1, 171.5, 160.0, 158.5, 143.7, 143.3, 138.4, 138.0, 137.9, 137.1, 135.9, 135.6, 133.8 (2), 133.0, 131.7, 130.7, 130.6, 129.6, 129.4, 128.8, 128.6 (2), 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1 (2), 127.8, 127.4, 126.7, 126.6, 125.3, 124.9, 124.6, 122.9, 122.6, 121.3, 121.1, 119.3, 118.7, 108.2, 108.0, 68.9, 68.2, 64.3, 63.1, 57.4, 57.2, 48.7, 48.0, 42.7, 42.5, 26.4, 26.3, 20.5, 20.2, 16.4, 14.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 548.2314, mass found 548.2295.

4'-(4-bromophenyl)-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ja):



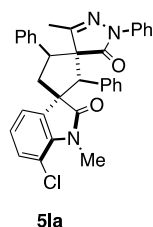
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1j** (0.094 g, 0.29 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.05 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ja**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 7:1) in 58% (0.065 g) combined yield. R_f 0.4 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 5H), 7.12-6.99 (m, 7H), 6.71 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.2H), 5.56 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.2H), 4.26 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.13 (s, 1H), 4.07–4.04 (m, 1H), 4.03 (s, 0.2H), 3.16 (s, 0.5H), 2.92 (s, 3H), 2.79 (dd, $J = 26.4, 13.2$ Hz, 0.2H), 2.62 (dd, $J = 12.6, 5.9$ Hz, 0.2H), 2.34-2.29 (m, 4H), 2.07 (s, 0.5H) ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.5, 176.3, 173.5, 170.8, 160.2, 158.0, 143.7, 143.3, 137.8, 137.7, 137.6, 136.7, 134.3, 133.5, 133.0, 131.9, 131.7, 130.3, 129.7 (2), 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6 (2), 128.4, 128.2 (3), 125.1, 124.9, 122.9, 122.7, 122.1, 121.4, 121.2, 119.3, 119.0, 108.2, 108.0, 69.3, 68.5, 64.5, 62.8, 58.0, 57.2, 51.8, 49.4, 40.6, 40.5, 29.8, 26.3, 15.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[(\text{M}+2)+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{28}\text{BrN}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 612.1263, mass found 614.1235.

4-(1,3''-dimethyl-2,5''-dioxo-1'',2'-diphenyl-1'',5''-dihydrodispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazol]-4'-yl)benzonitrile (5ka):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1k** (0.080 g, 0.29 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.05 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ka**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 3:1) in 30% (0.031 g) combined yield. R_f 0.25 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76-7.71 (m, 7H), 7.66-7.64 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.36 (m, 9H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.25 (brs, 1H), 6.90 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.88-6.86 (m, 0.3H), 5.86 (dd, $J = 13.4, 5.9$ Hz, 0.3H), 4.48 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.33-4.28 (m, 2H), 4.20 (s, 0.3H), 3.35 (s, 1H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 3.04-3.98 (s, 0.3H), 2.85 (dd, $J = 12.5, 5.8$ Hz, 0.3H), 2.56-2.51 (m, 4H), 2.23 (s, 1H) $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.4, 176.2, 173.3, 170.6, 159.7, 157.7, 144.0, 143.7, 143.3, 140.8, 137.6, 137.4, 136.4, 133.2, 132.6, 132.4, 130.3, 129.7, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.4, 125.3, 125.1, 123.0, 122.8, 121.4, 121.3, 119.1, 119.0, 118.6, 112.0, 111.4, 108.4, 108.1, 69.4, 68.4, 64.6, 62.8, 60.5, 57.9, 57.2, 51.9, 49.7, 40.3, 40.1, 26.3, 21.2, 15.7, 14.3, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_2$ 559.2110, mass found 559.2136.

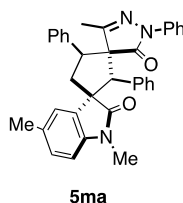
7-chloro-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2',4'-triphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5la):



Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1l** (0.085 g, 0.29 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.052 g, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5la**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title

compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2.5:1) in 82% (0.085 g) combined yield. R_f 0.3 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.48 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 7H), 7.13-7.01 (m, 11H), 5.61 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.4H), 4.33 (t, $J = 13.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.12-4.04 (m, 2H), 3.98 (s, 0.4H), 3.55 (s, 1H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 2.83 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 0.4H), 2.65 (dd, $J = 12.7, 6.0$ Hz, 0.4H), 2.36 – 2.31 (m, 4H), 2.04 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.7, 176.6, 173.5, 170.8, 160.3, 157.9, 139.7, 139.6, 139.3, 138.0, 137.9, 137.7, 134.9, 133.4, 133.3, 132.8, 131.1, 130.8, 129.6, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6 (2), 128.5 (2), 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.3, 126.4, 124.9, 124.8, 123.5, 123.3, 120.2, 119.3, 119.1, 115.5, 115.3, 69.4, 68.6, 64.7, 63.1, 57.8, 57.1, 52.5, 49.8, 41.0, 40.6, 29.5, 15.6, 13.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{29}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_2$ 546.1948, mass found 546.1941.

1,3'',5-trimethyl-1'',2',4'-triphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5ma):

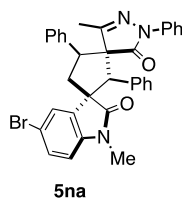


Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1m** (0.038 g, 0.14 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.025 g, 0.095 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5ma** as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2:1), which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:5 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to isolate each diastereomer separately. Major diastereomer: 40% yield (0.020 g); Minor diastereomer: 20% (0.010 g).

Major diastereoisomer: R_f 0.25 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.28-7.22 (m, 6H), 7.19-7.12 (m, 5H), 7.09-7.01 (m, 5H), 6.57 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.61 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 2.84 (t, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.64 (dd, $J = 12.6, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.5, 173.6, 160.5, 141.3, 138.2, 137.9, 133.3, 132.0, 130.5, 129.5, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0 (2), 127.1, 126.4, 124.7, 122.0, 119.0, 107.8, 68.6, 62.5, 57.9, 49.7, 40.8, 26.2, 21.3, 15.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 548.2314, mass found 548.2335.

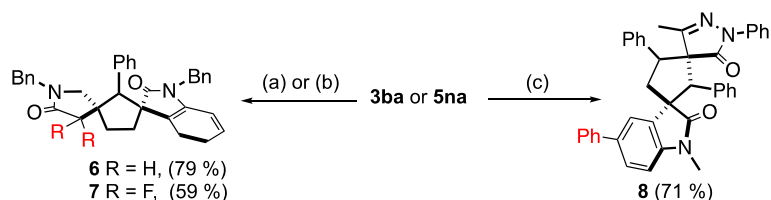
Minor diastereoisomer. R_f 0.23 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.52 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.34 (m, 6H), 7.28-7.22 (m, 7H), 6.78 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.48 (t, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.31-4.26 (m, 2H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.49 (dd, $J = 12.6, 5.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.5, 171.0, 158.3, 141.0, 137.9, 137.1, 135.2, 134.0, 132.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6 (2), 128.4, 128.1 (2), 128.0, 124.9, 122.2, 119.4, 107.7, 69.5, 64.3, 57.4, 52.6, 40.4, 26.3, 21.6, 13.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 548.2314, mass found 548.2332.

5-bromo-1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2',4'-triphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (5na):



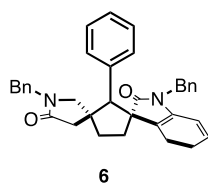
Following the general procedure, reaction between oxindole-activated spiro-DAC **1n** (0.074 g, 0.23 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alkylidene pyrazolone **4a** (0.04 g, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) afforded bis-spirocyclopentane oxindole derivative **5na**, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to give the title compound as mixture of diastereomer (d.r = 2.4:1) in 63% (0.056 g) combined yield. R_f 0.25 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 (brs, 1H), 7.58-7.54 (m, 3H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.27 (brs, 1H), 7.23-7.17 (m, 7H), 7.13-7.04 (m, 9H), 6.59 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 0.4H), 5.59 (dd, $J = 13.6, 5.8$ Hz, 0.4H), 4.32 (t, $J = 13.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.15-4.02 (m, 2H), 3.96 (s, 0.4H), 3.14 (s, 1.2H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.87-2.80 (m, 0.4H), 2.65 (dd, $J = 12.7, 5.9$ Hz, 0.4H), 2.34-2.31 (m, 4H), 2.04 (s, 1.2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.0, 175.9, 173.6, 170.8, 160.3, 158.0, 142.8, 142.4, 138.9, 137.9, 137.7, 134.8, 133.4, 132.8, 132.7, 131.7, 131.4, 129.9, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6 (2), 128.5, 128.3, 128.2 (2), 128.0, 127.4, 126.5, 125.0, 124.9, 124.7 (2), 119.4, 119.1, 115.1 (2), 109.6, 109.4, 69.4, 68.6, 64.4, 62.8, 58.1, 57.5, 52.6, 49.9, 40.7, 40.1, 26.4 (2), 15.7, 13.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[(\text{M}+2)+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{28}\text{BrN}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 614.1242, mass found 614.1234.

8. Follow-up Chemistry:



Scheme 3 (from main text): Follow up chemistry. Reaction conditions: (a) $\text{NH}_2\text{NH}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (30 equiv.), KOH, EtOH- H_2O , reflux, 6h; (b) DAST (3 equiv.), DCM, 40 °C, 12h; (c) PhB(OH)_2 (1.5 equiv.), $\text{Pd(PPh}_3)_4$ (5 mol %), K_3PO_4 (2.5 equiv.), toluene- H_2O , 80 °C, 12h.

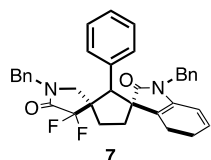
1,1'-dibenzyl-2'-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,4'',5''-trione (6):



To a solution of compound **3ba** (0.045 g, 0.085 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH: H_2O (1 mL, 4:1) was added hydrazine hydrate (0.082 g, 25.66 mmol, 30 equiv) and potassium hydroxide (0.007 g, 0.12 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C temperature for 6 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the solvent was removed in vacuo and the crude product was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (using 1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to obtain compound **6** as colorless oil in 79% (0.034g) yield. R_f 0.4 (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.30-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.11 (m, 6H), 6.94 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.56-6.54 (m, 1H), 5.08 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.74 (d, $J = 14.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.02 (dd, $J = 22.7, 12.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.60 (d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 2.65-2.64 (m, 2H), 2.60-2.55 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.20 (m, 2H).

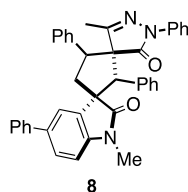
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.9, 173.0, 142.4, 136.6, 135.4, 135.1, 133.8, 130.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.4, 126.9, 123.0, 121.8, 109.0, 64.9, 59.2, 55.2, 48.0, 16.6, 44.6, 43.7, 40.7, 36.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ 513.2542, mass found 513.2522.

1,1''-dibenzyl-4',4'-difluoro-2'-phenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',3''-pyrrolidine]-2,5''-dione (7):



To a solution of compound **3ba** (0.065 g, 0.12 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dry DCM (4 mL) was added DAST (0.06 g, 0.36 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was then stirred at 40 °C for 12 h. Upon completion of the reaction (TLC controlled), the crude was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (using 1:3 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to obtain compound **7** as colorless oil in 59% (0.040 g) yield. R_f 0.4 (3:7 EtOAc:Hexane); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.53 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.29 m, 3H), 7.23 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 7.15-7.05 (m, 6H), 6.91 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.46 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.39 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.81-5.70 (m, 1H), 4.88 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, $J = 14.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, $J = 14.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.62-3.49 (m, 2H), 2.69-2.62 (m, 1H), 2.55-2.47 (m, 1H), 2.17-2.03 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.43 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz), 163.22 (d, $J = 30.5$ Hz), 148.24 (d, $J = 271.1$ Hz), 143.4, 136.5, 134.87 (t, $J = 10.6$ Hz), 129.3, 129.0, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.4, 127.2, 127.1, 126.6, 126.3, 125.46 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 123.0, 109.7, 97.33 (d, $J = 182.9$ Hz), 58.63 (d, $J = 24.0$ Hz), 47.60 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz), 46.8, 43.5, 32.6, 30.5, 20.2; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -144.1, -187.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{31}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ 549.2354, mass found 549.2329.

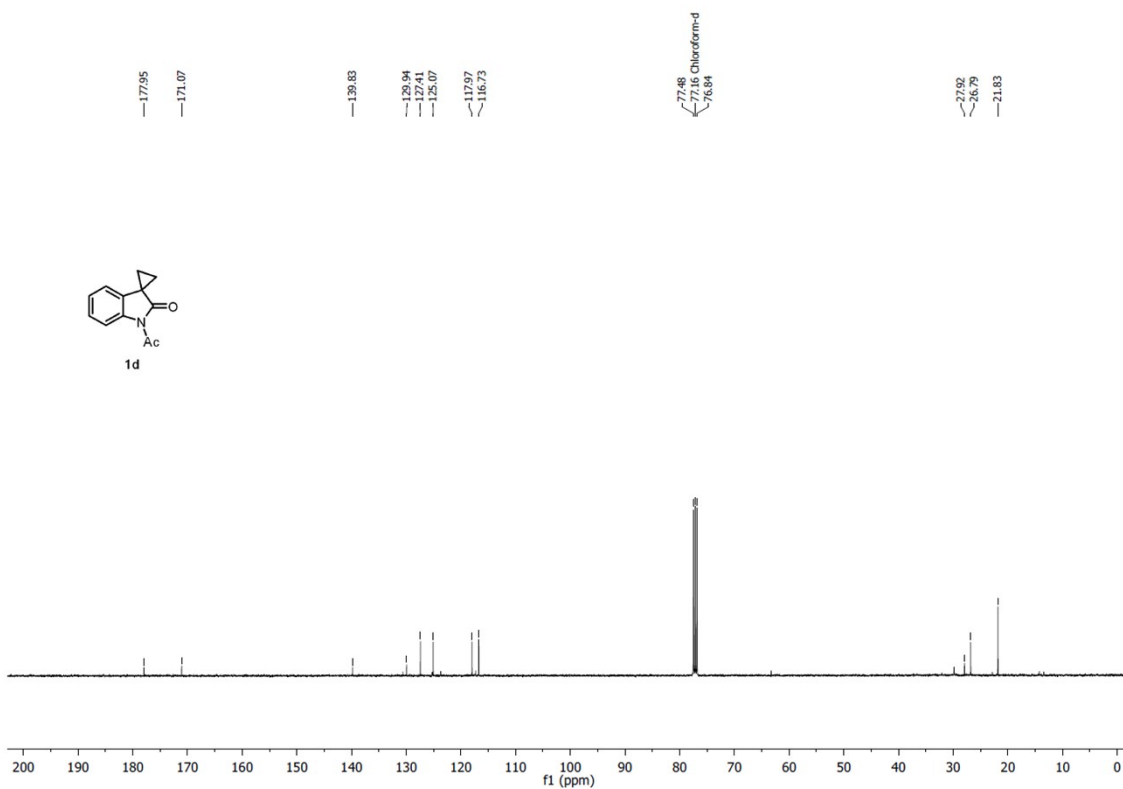
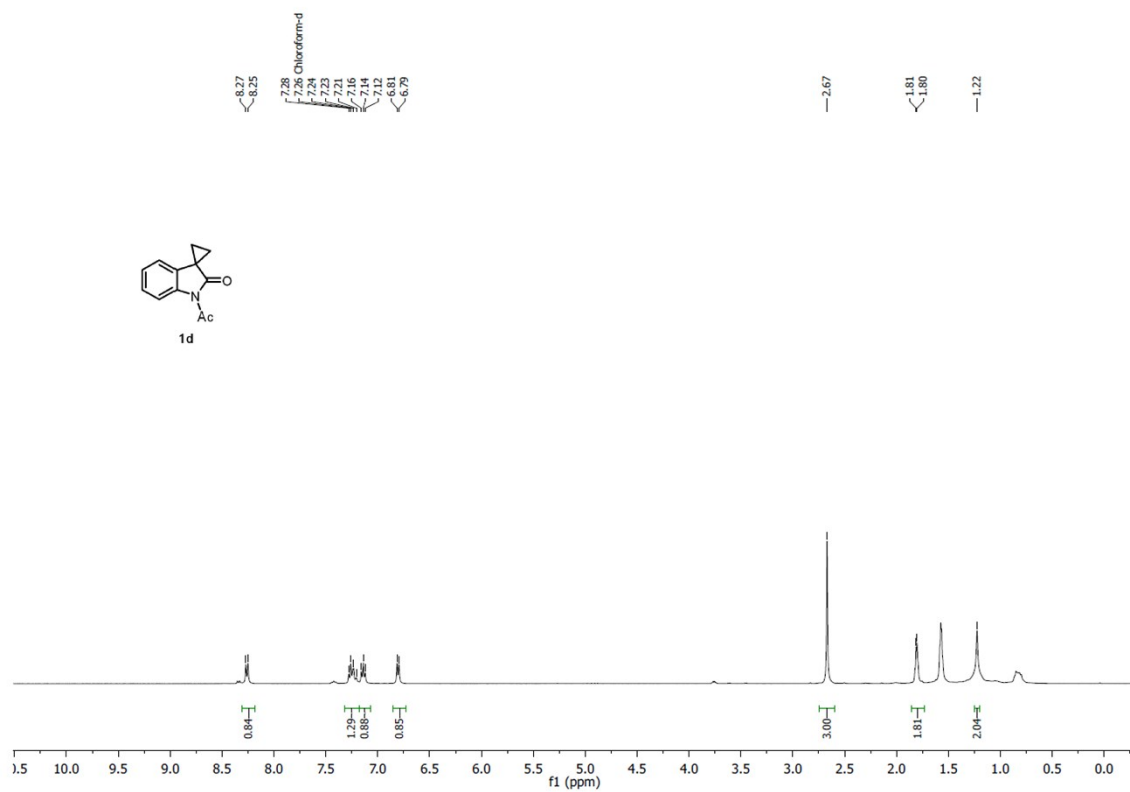
1,3''-dimethyl-1'',2',4',5-tetraphenyldispiro[indoline-3,1'-cyclopentane-3',4''-pyrazole]-2,5''(1''H)-dione (8):

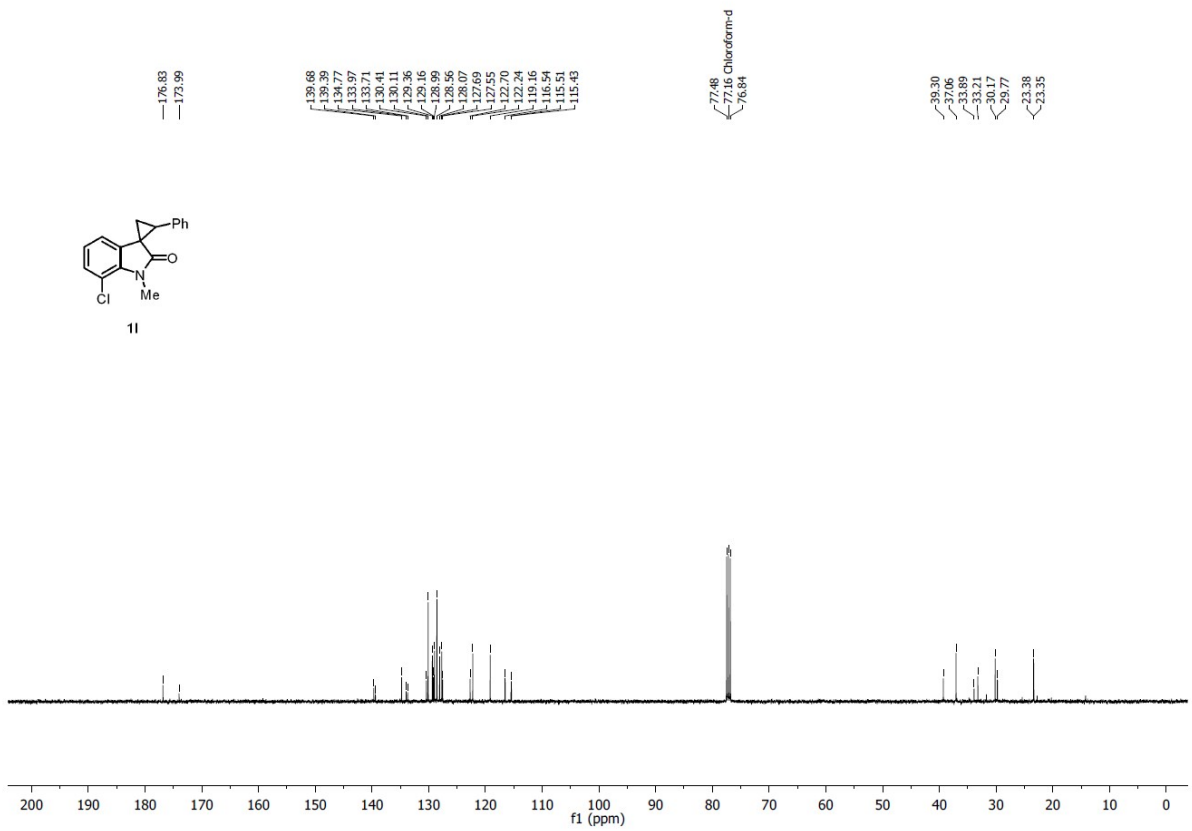
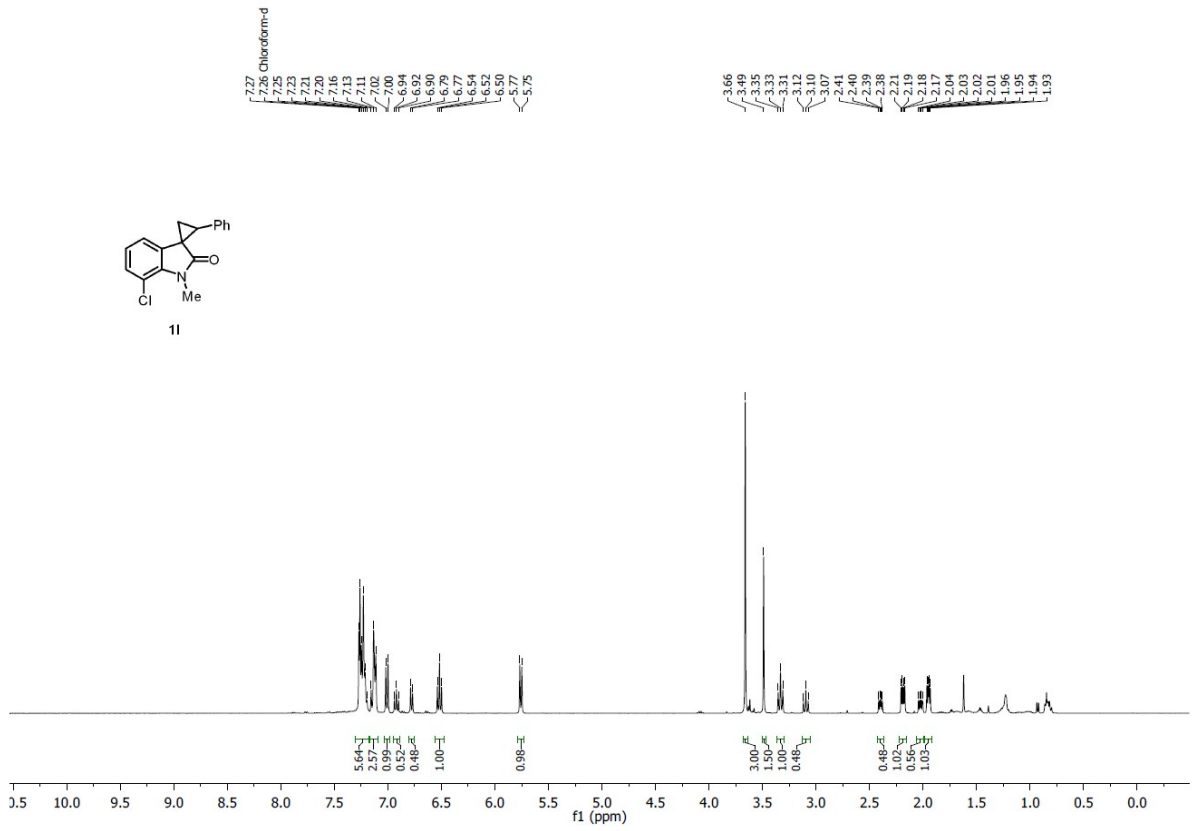


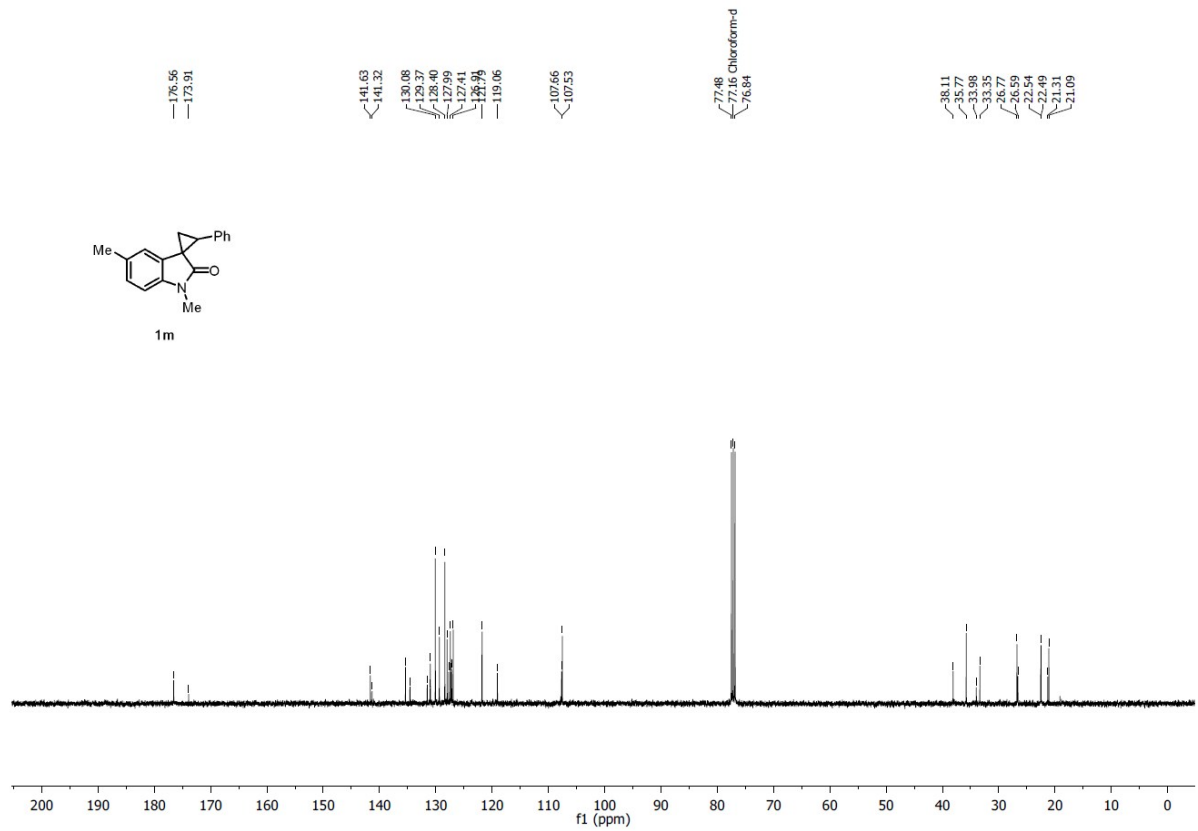
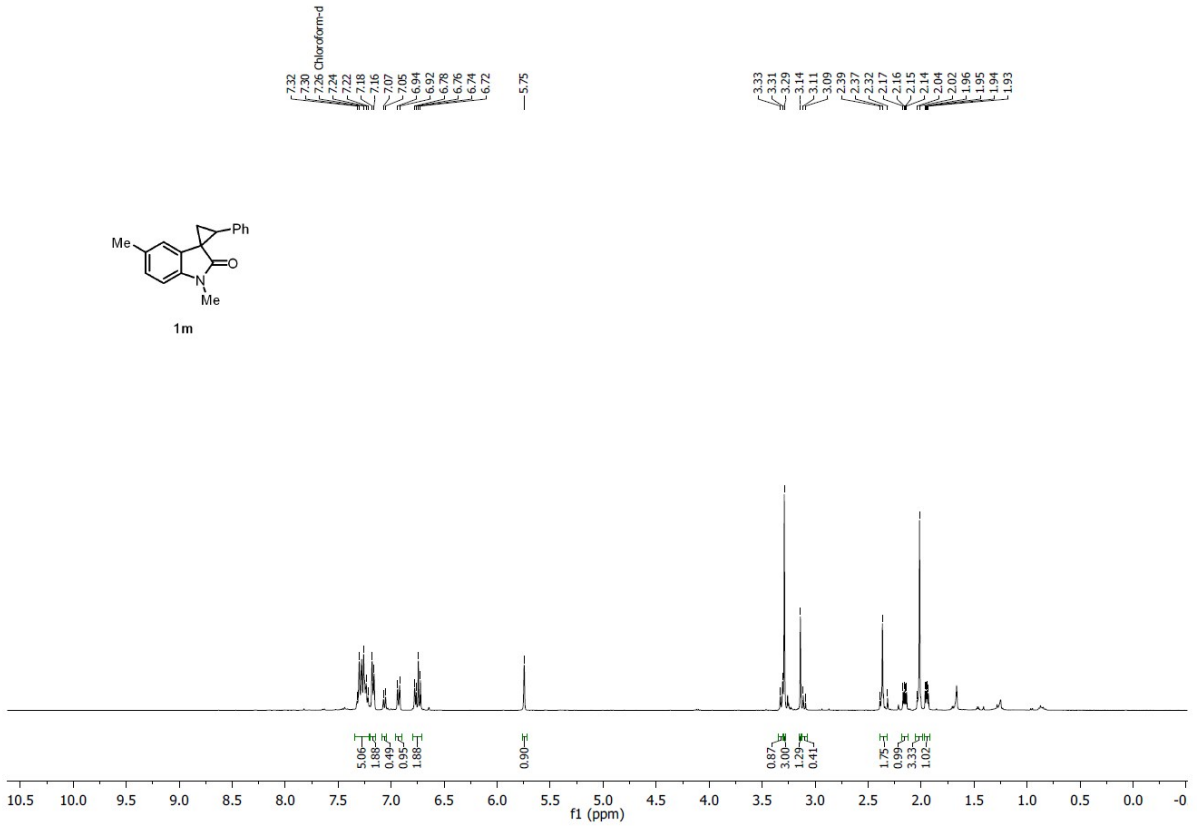
To a flame dried Schlenk tube were successively added compound **5na**-major diastereomer (0.025 g, 0.04 mmol, 1.0 equiv), phenylboronic acid (0.007g, 0.06 mmol, 1.5 equiv), $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (0.002 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.05 equiv), K_3PO_4 (0.022 g, 0.10 mmol, 2.5 equiv) in a mixture of toluene (0.6 mL) and water (0.2 mL) as solvent.

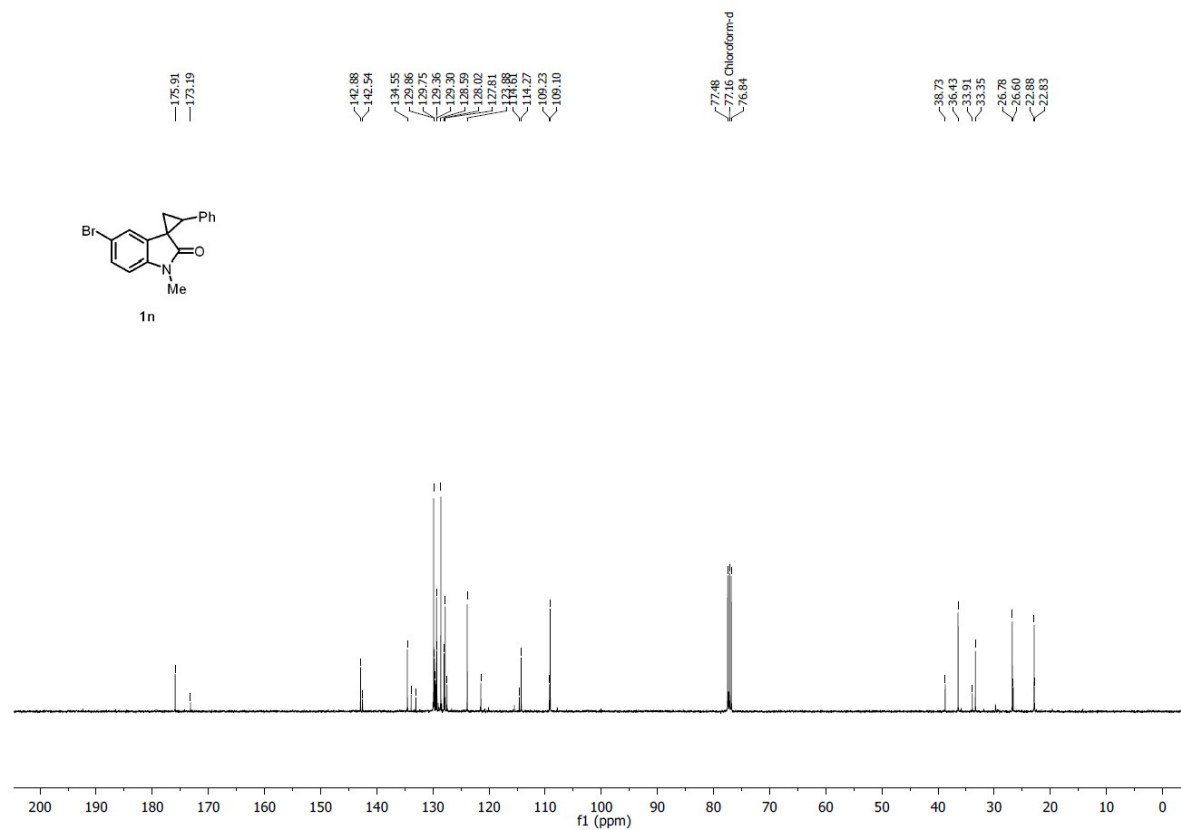
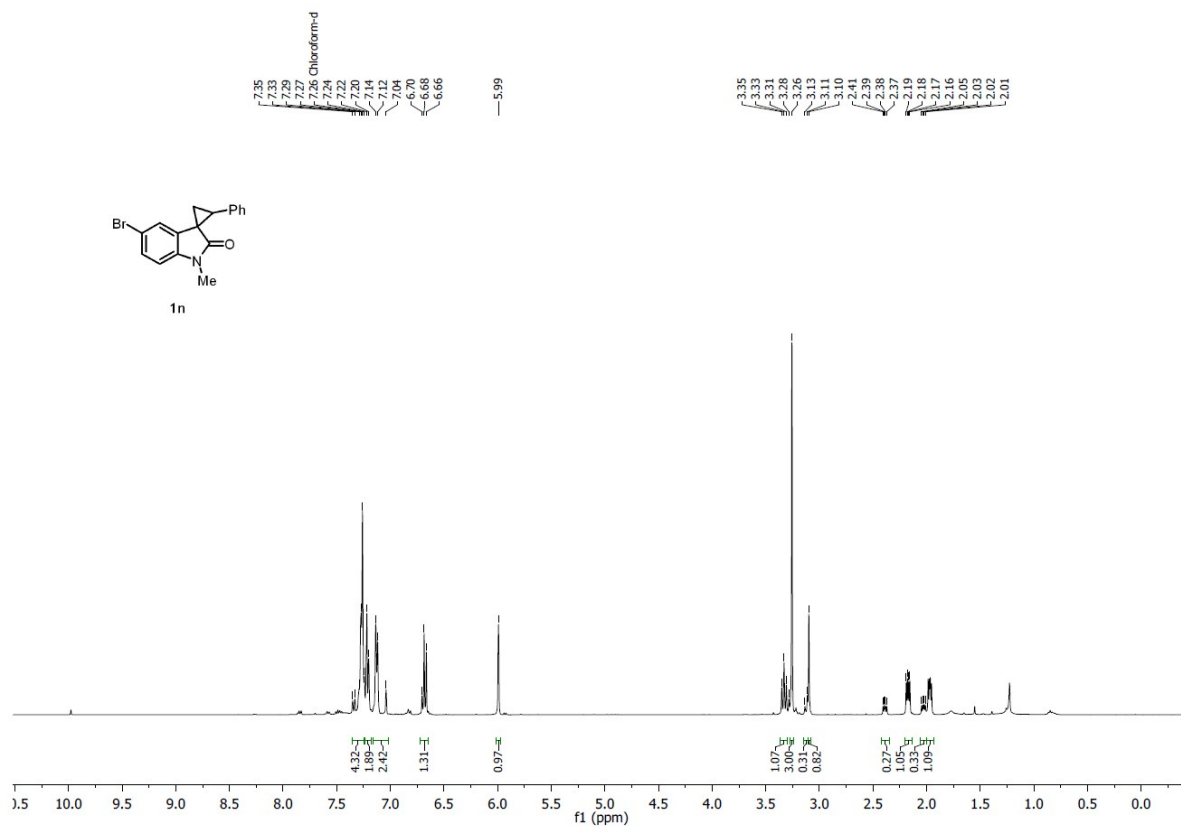
The reaction mixture was first degassed *via* purging argon (ca. 5 minutes) and then heated at room 80 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was passed through celite and the filtrate was concentrated under vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (using 1:4 EtOAc:Hexane as eluent) to obtain compound **8** as colorless oil in 71% (0.017g) yield as single diastereomer. R_f 0.3 (1:4 EtOAc:Hexane); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75 (brs, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.17 (m, 5H), 7.12-7.06 (m, 6H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.40-4.43 (m, 1H), 4.20-4.12 (m, 2H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 2.41 (dd, $J = 12.7, 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.5, 170.9, 158.2, 142.8, 141.3, 137.8, 137.6, 136.4, 135.0, 133.8, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6 (2), 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.5, 127.3, 127.1, 124.9, 120.3, 119.4, 108.1, 69.5, 64.5, 57.5, 52.6, 40.2, 26.4, 13.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calculated for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_2$ 610.2470, mass found 610.2448.

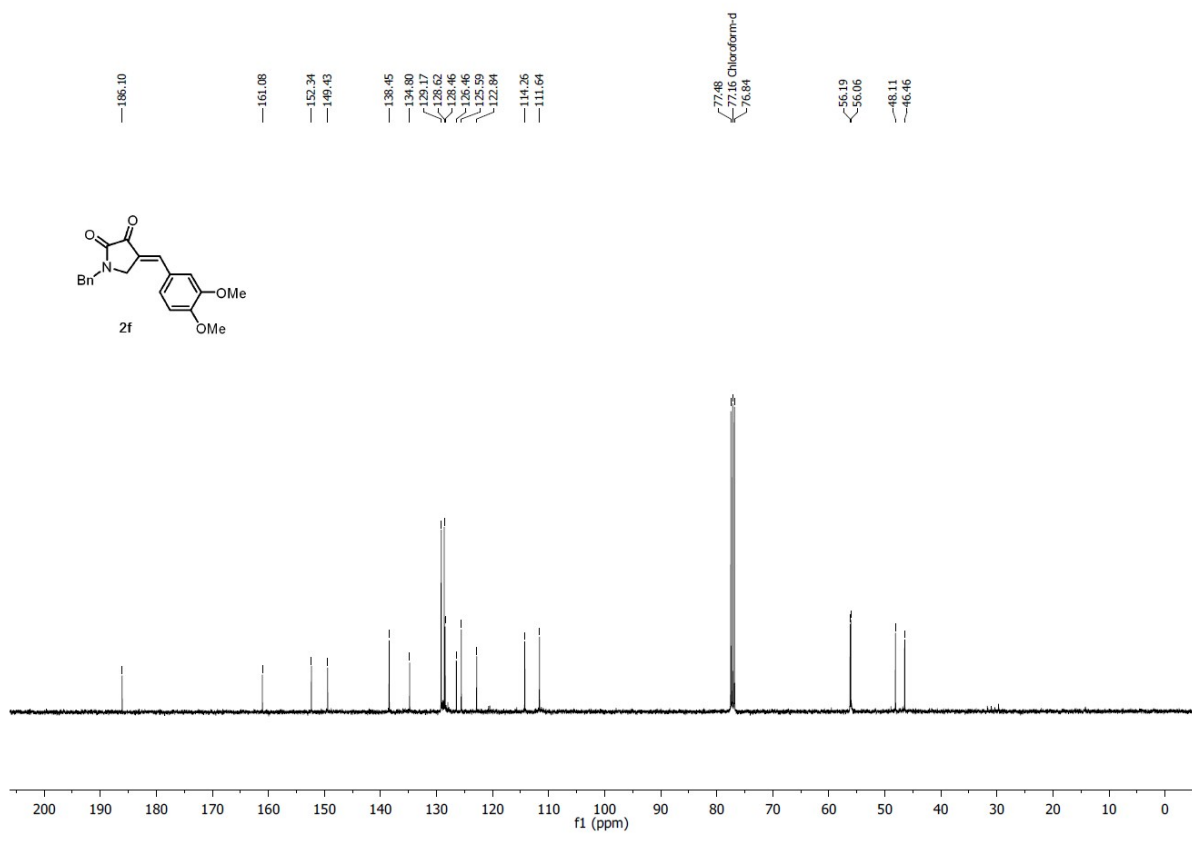
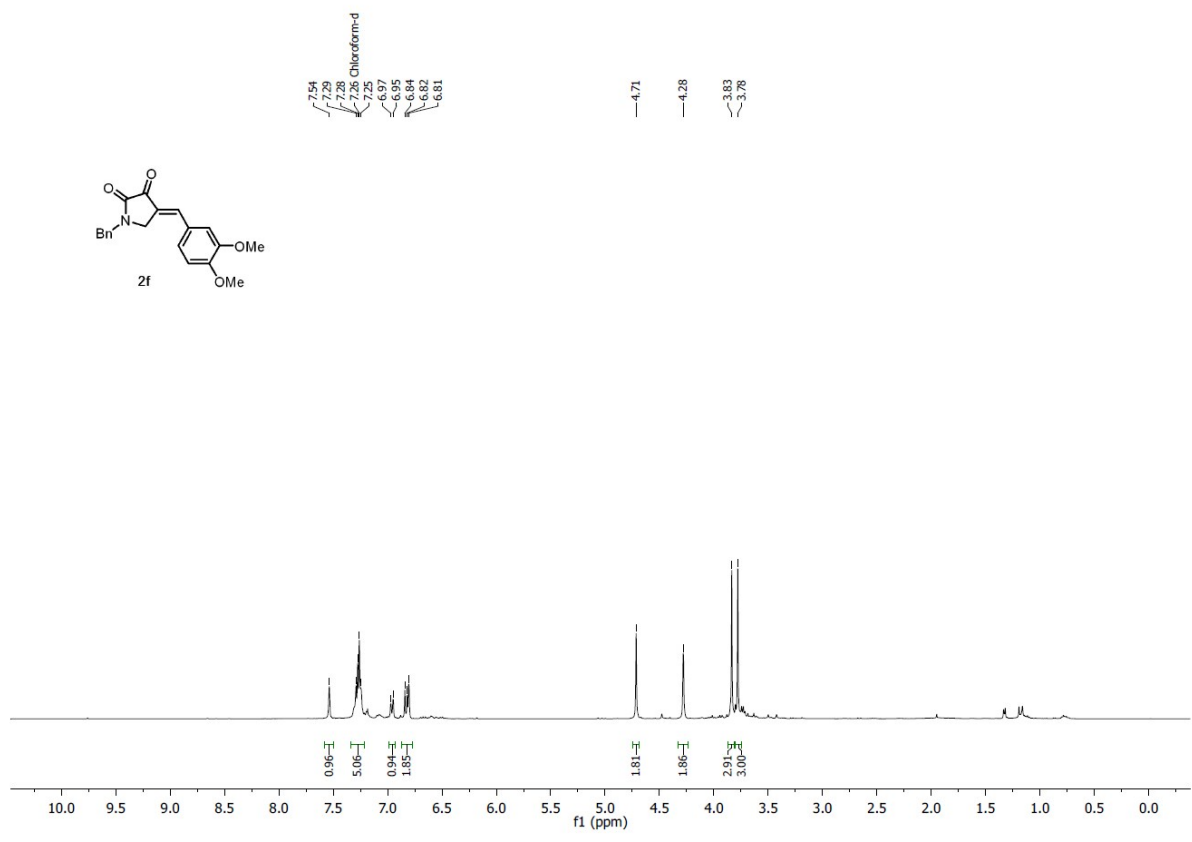
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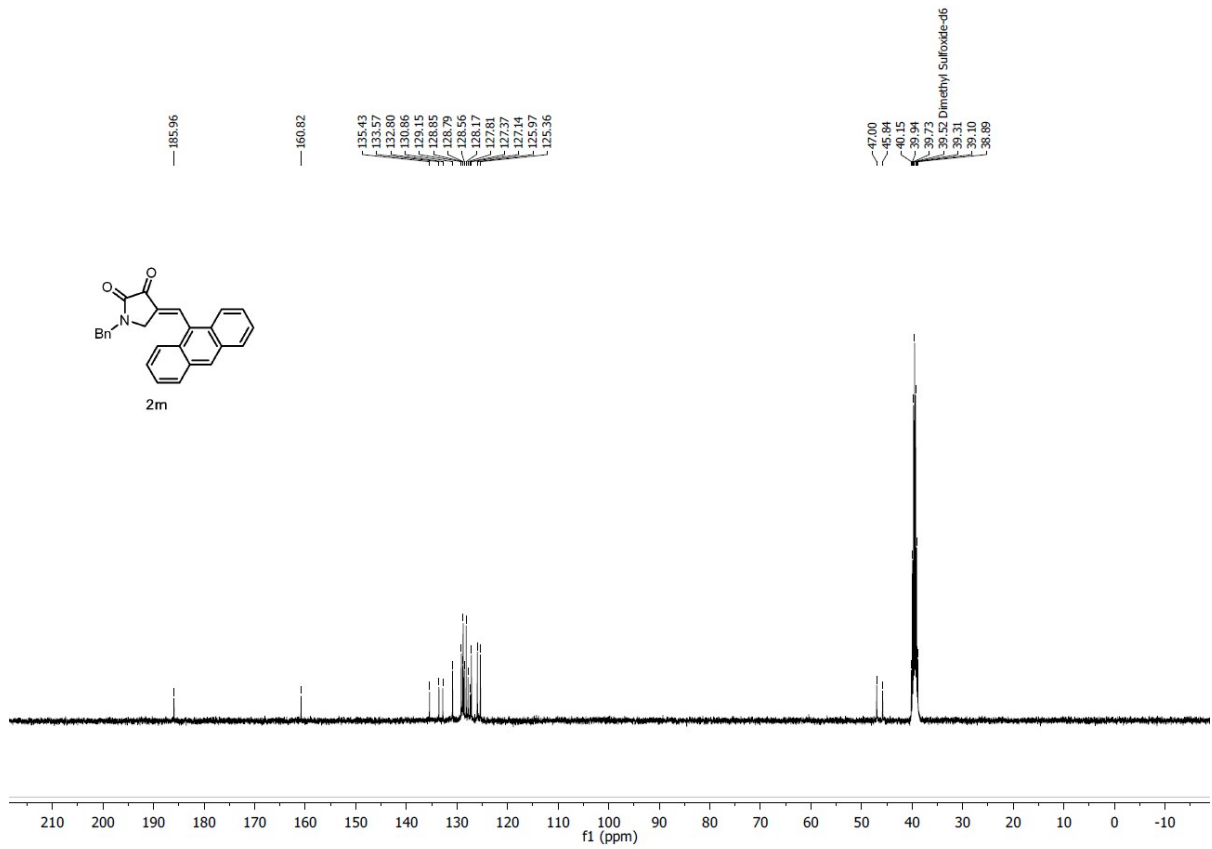
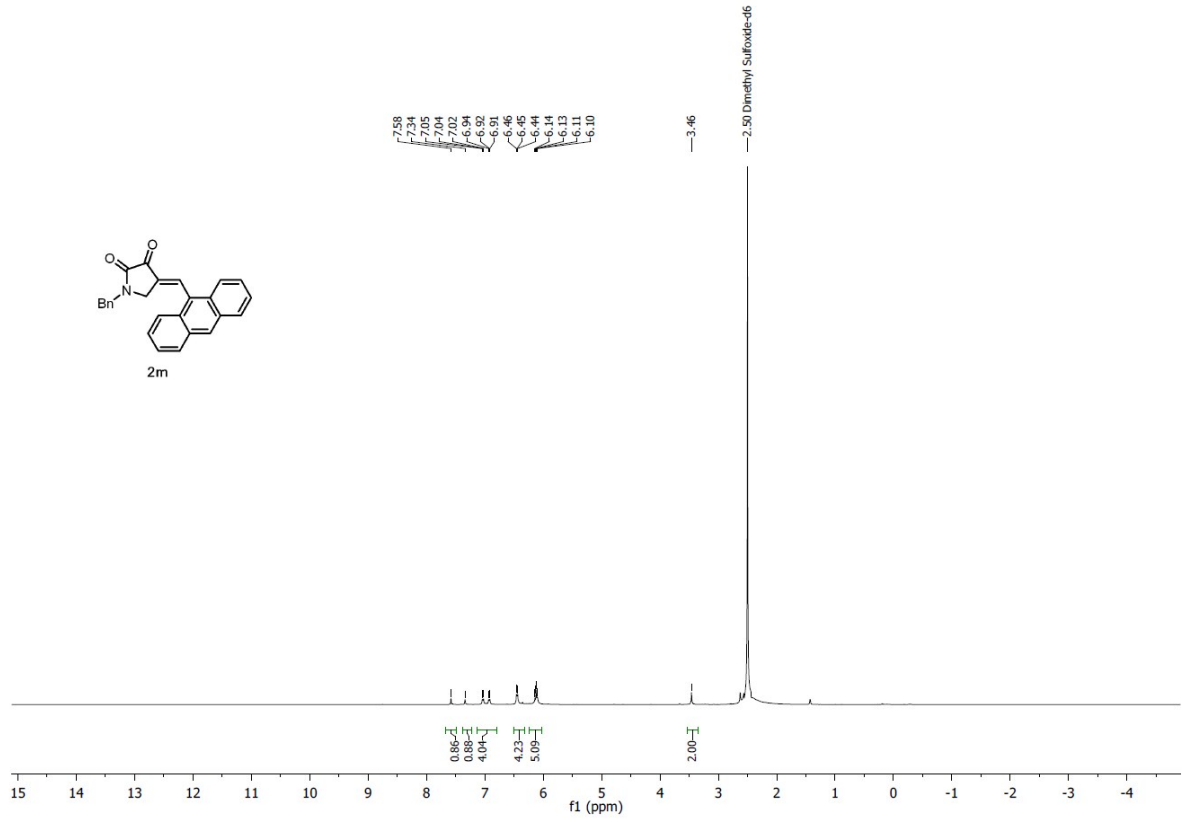


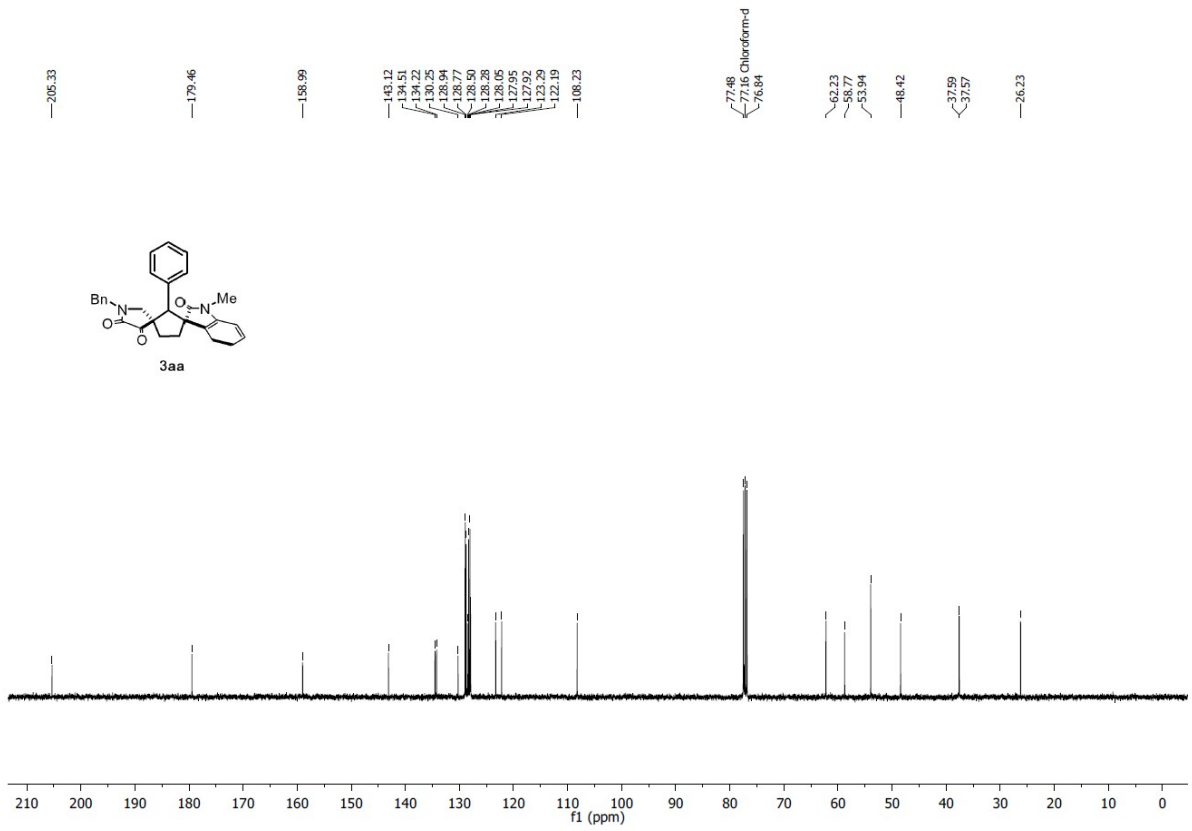
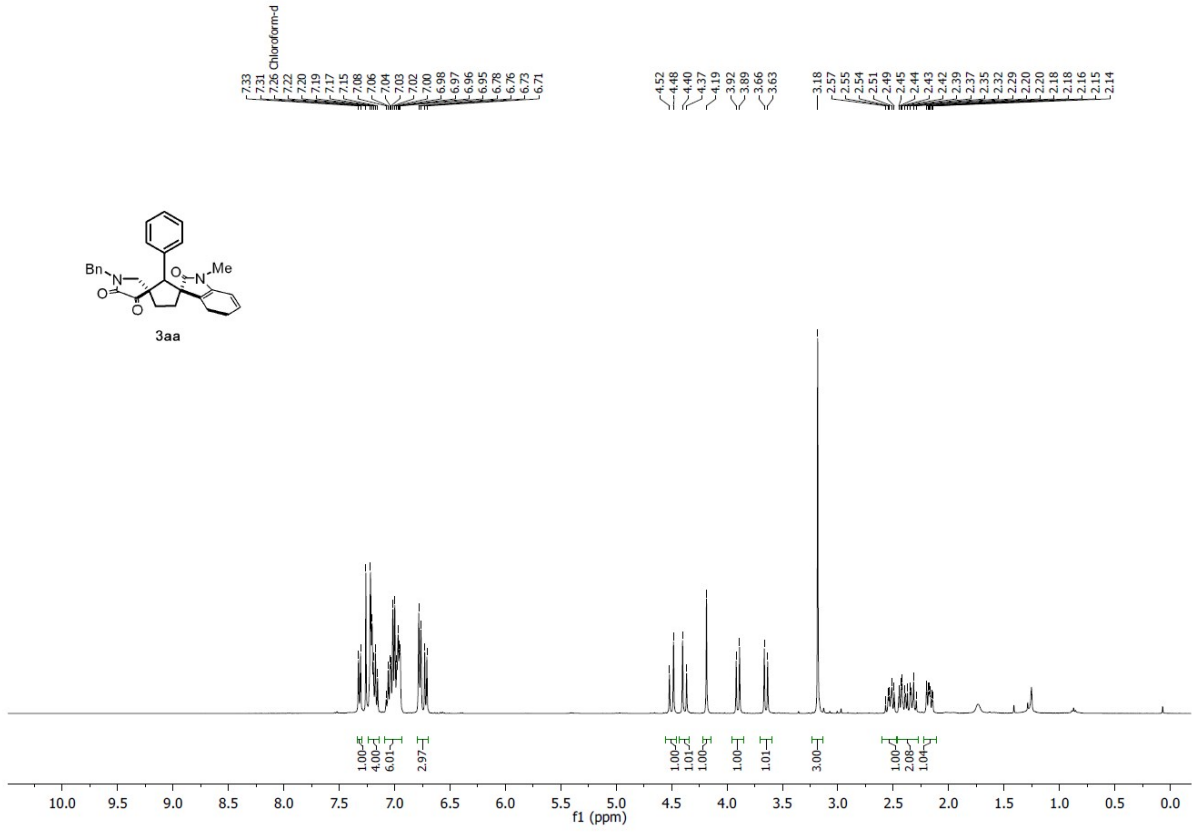


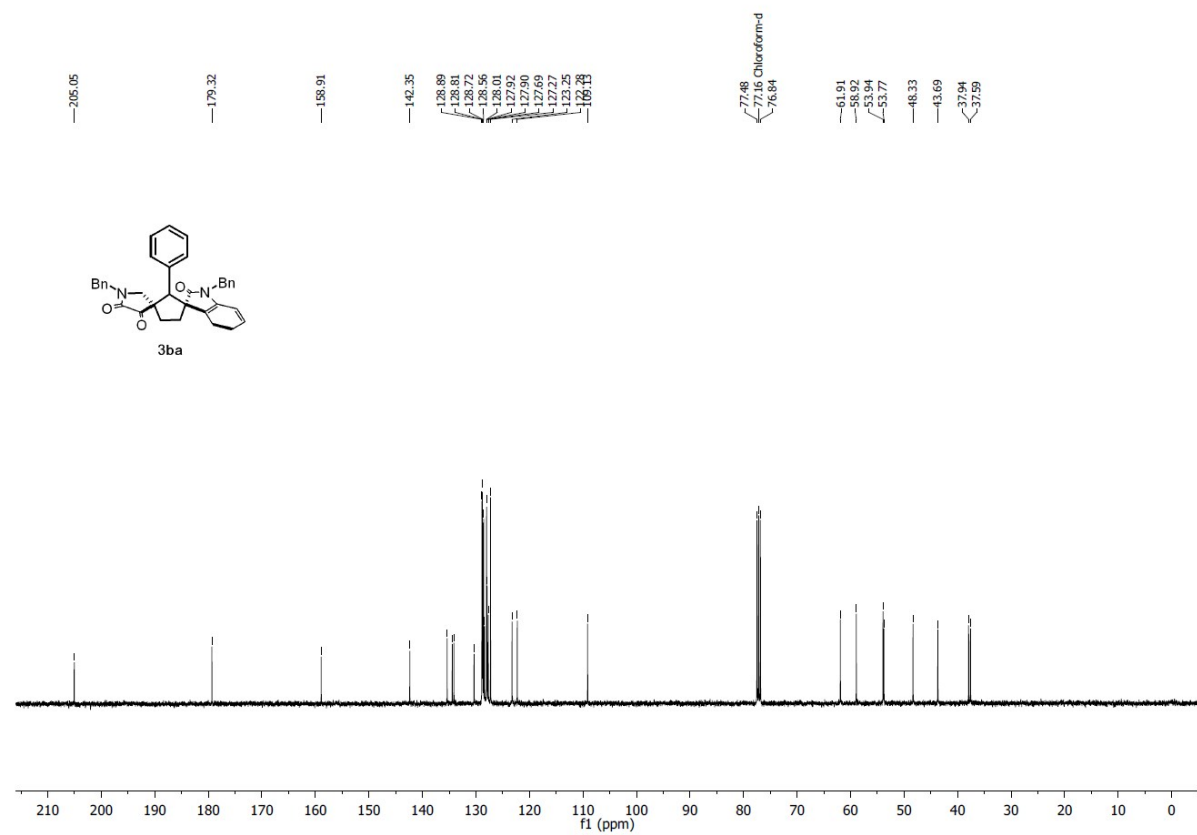
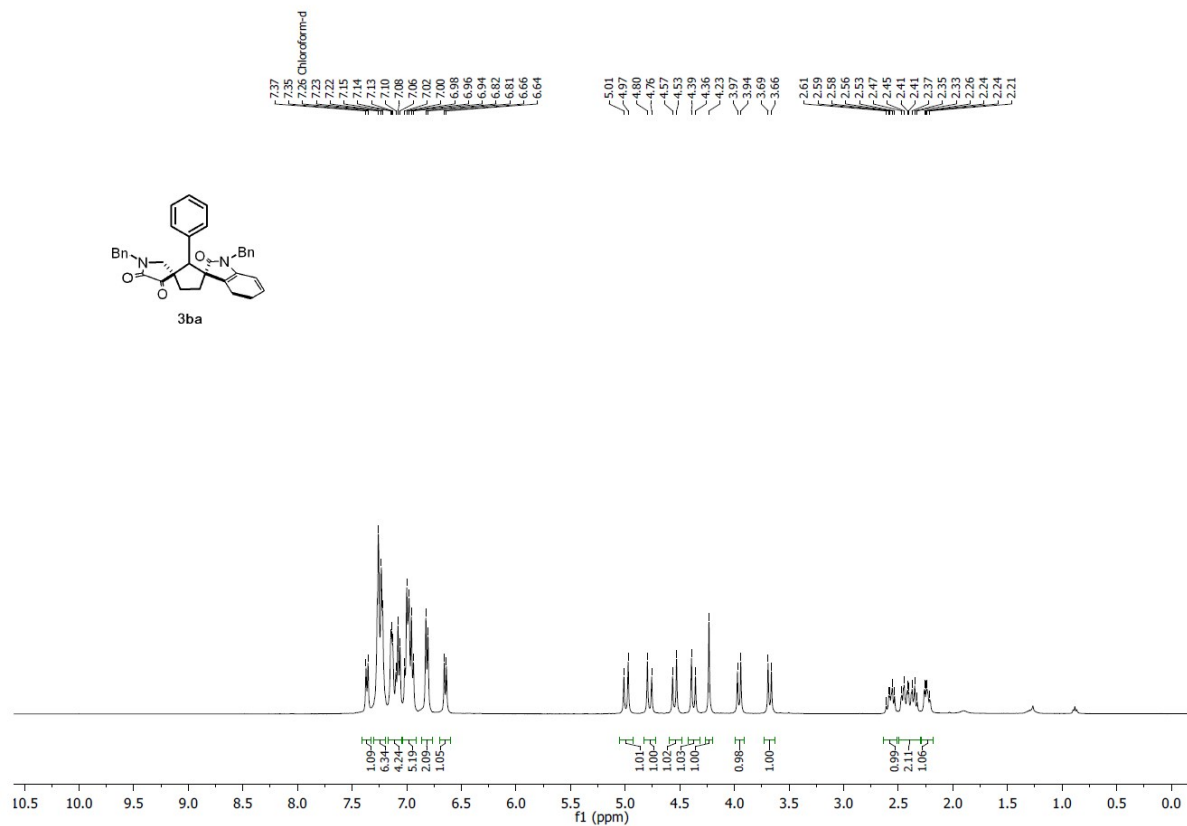


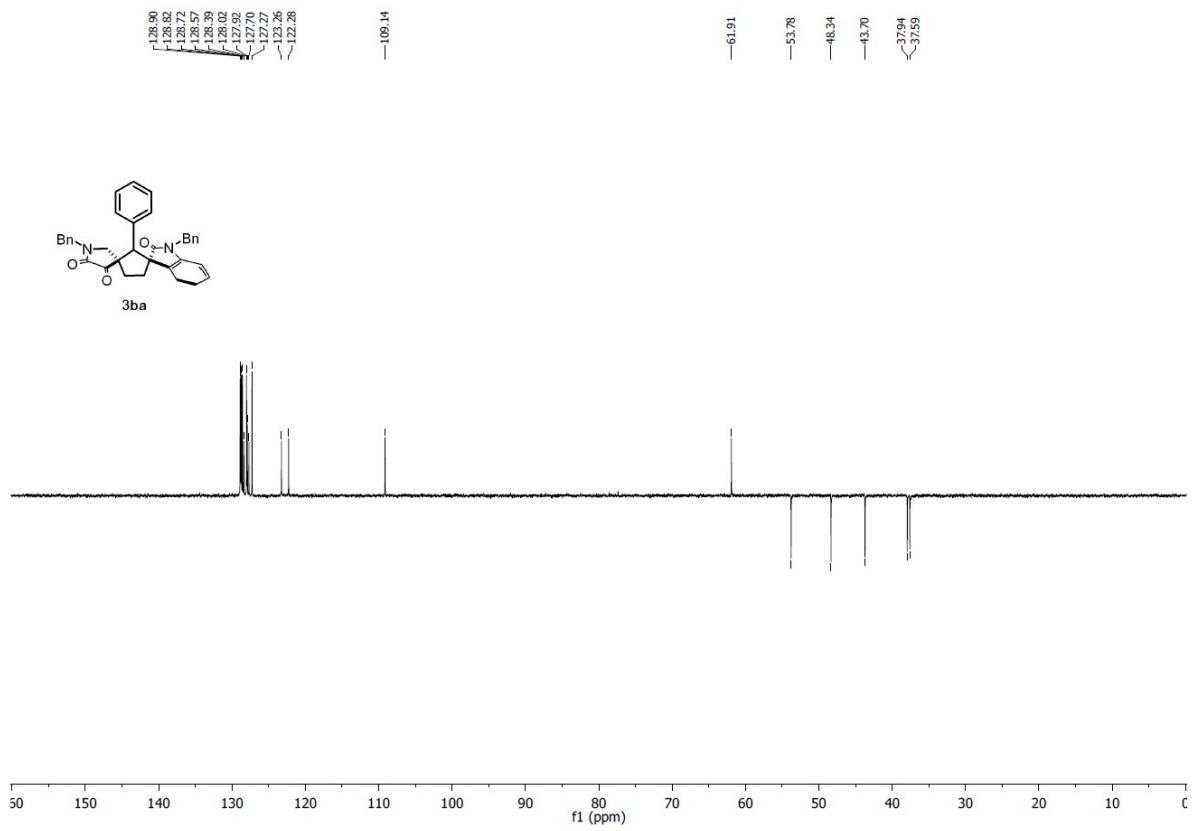


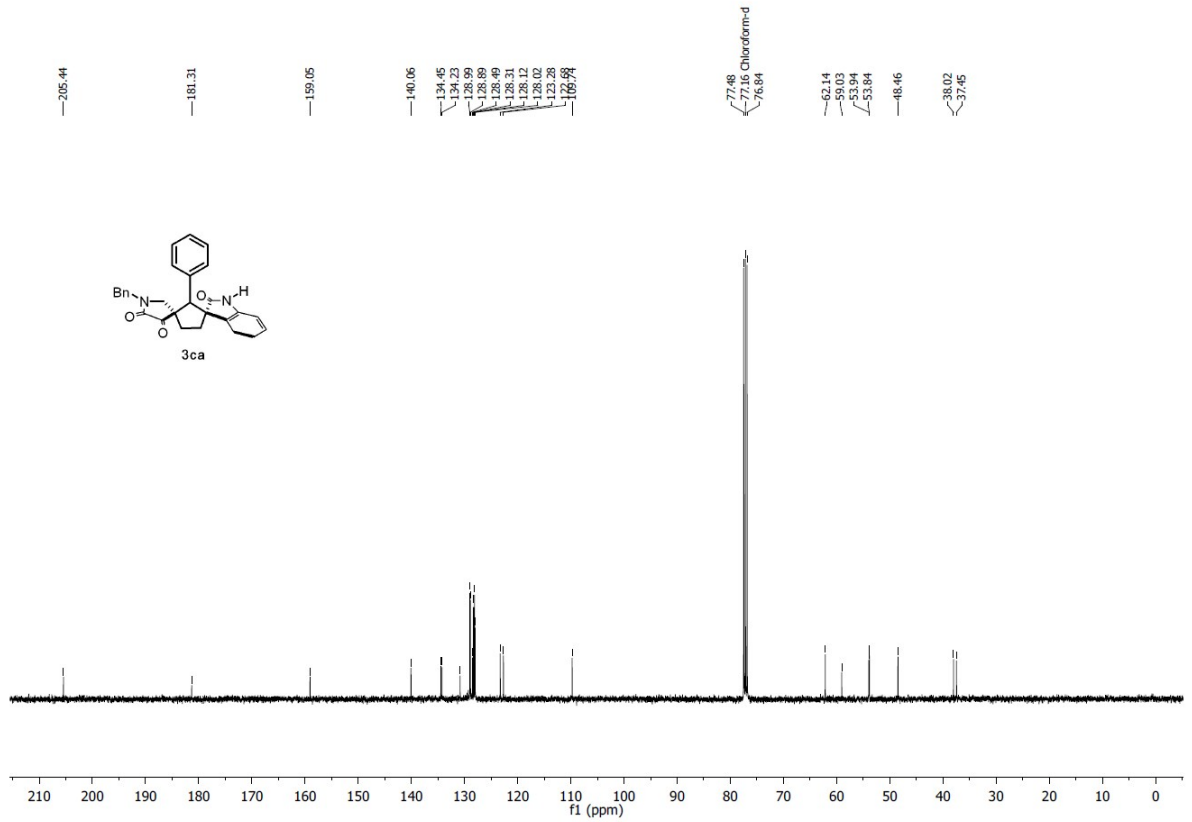
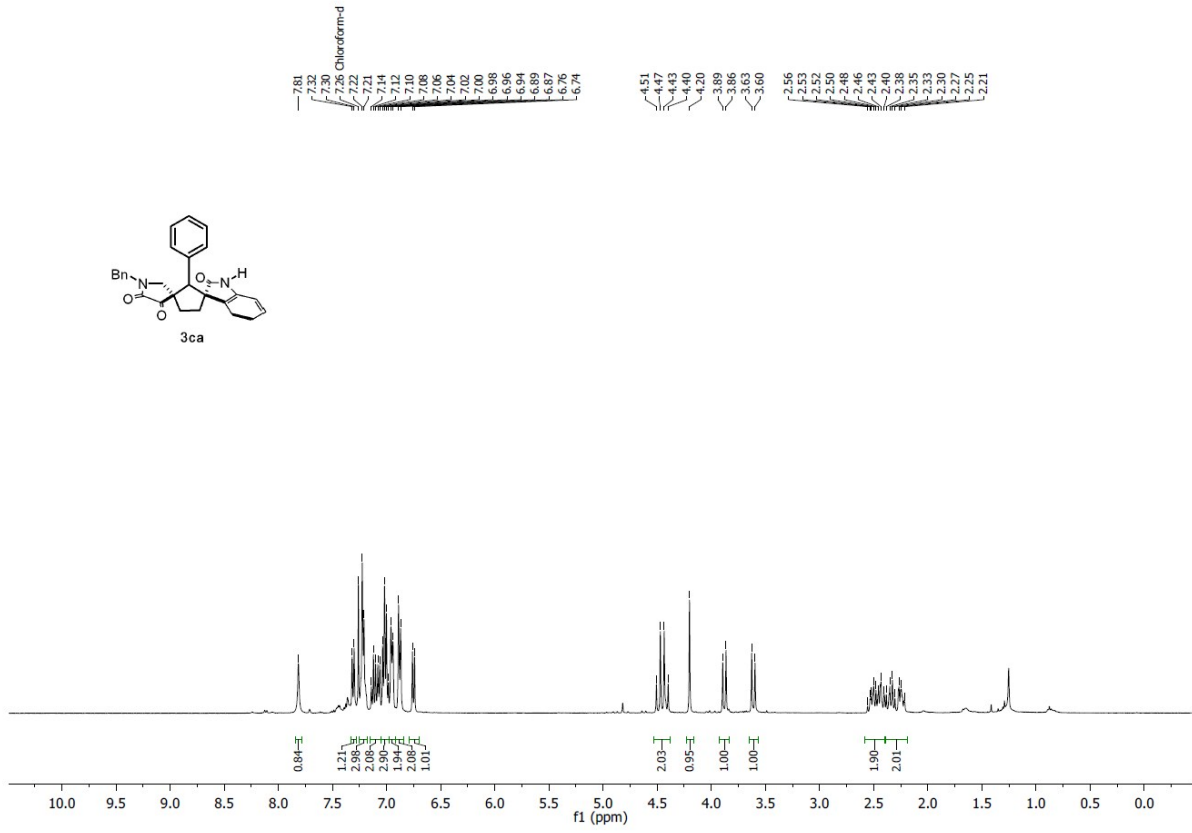


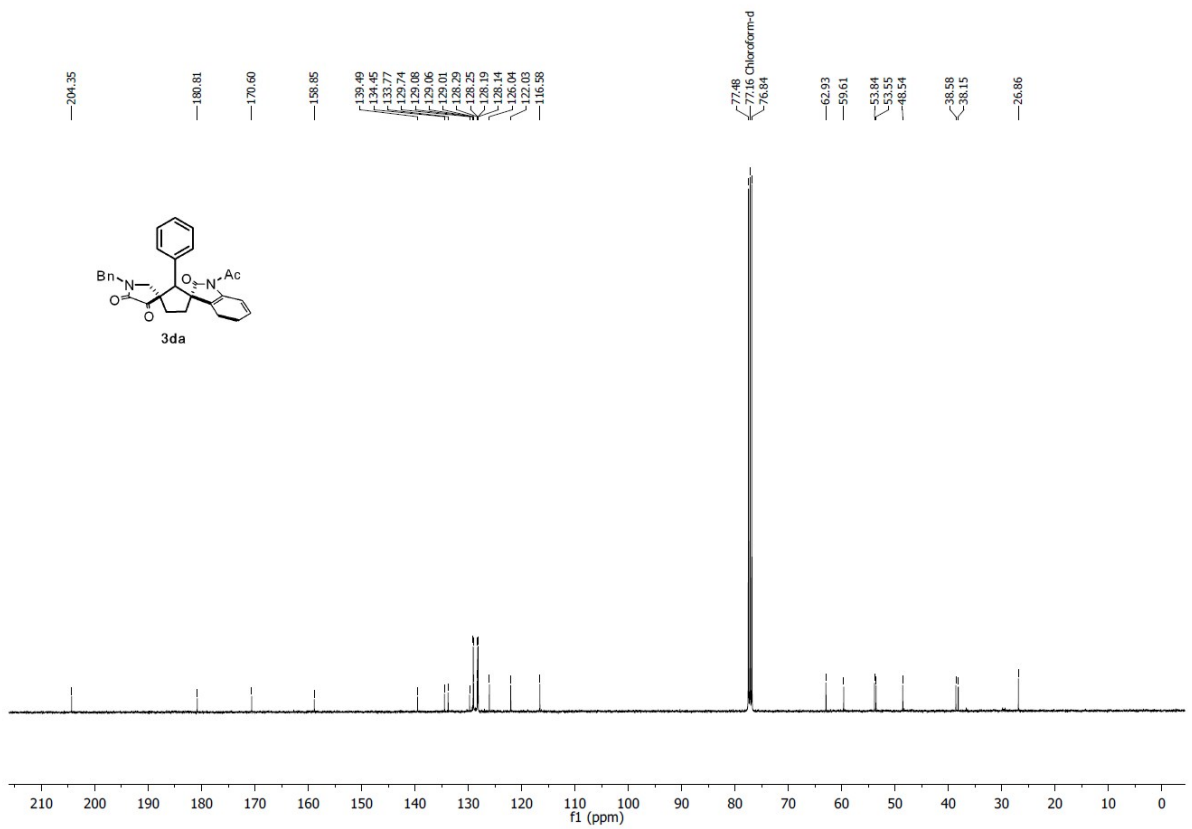
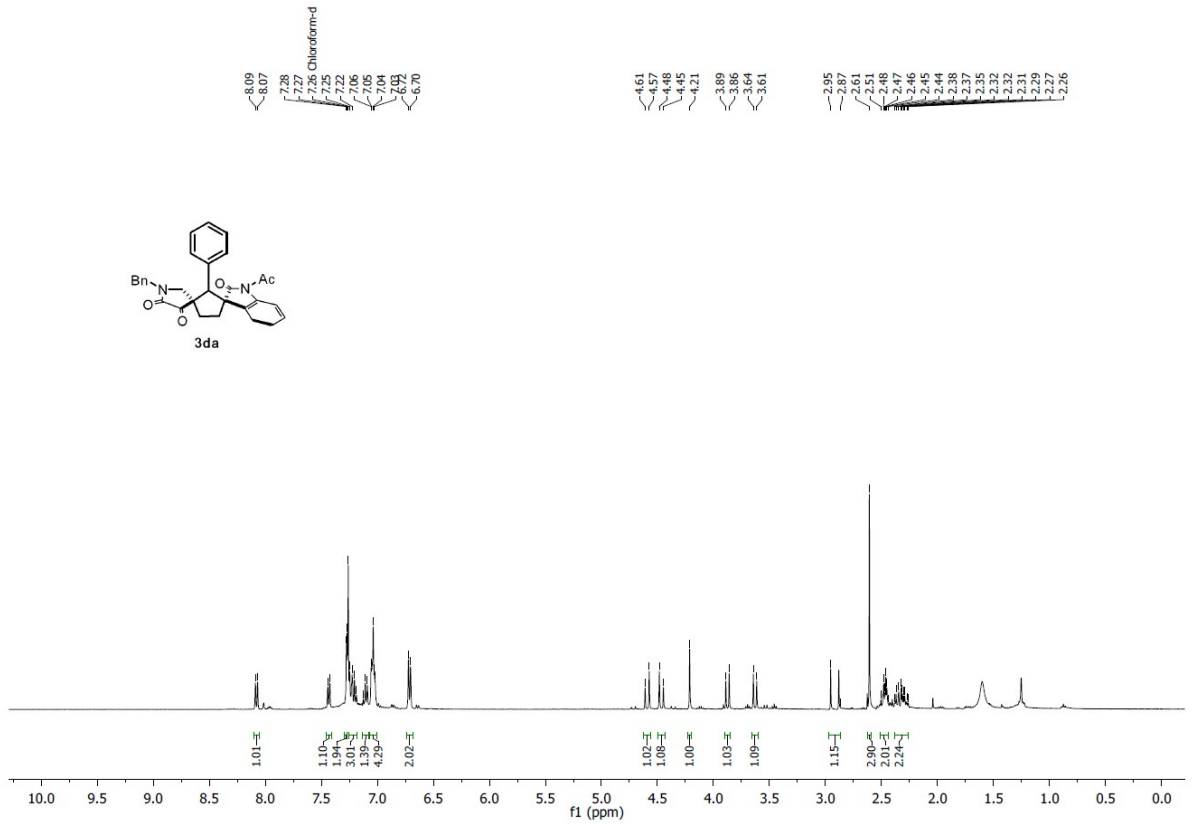


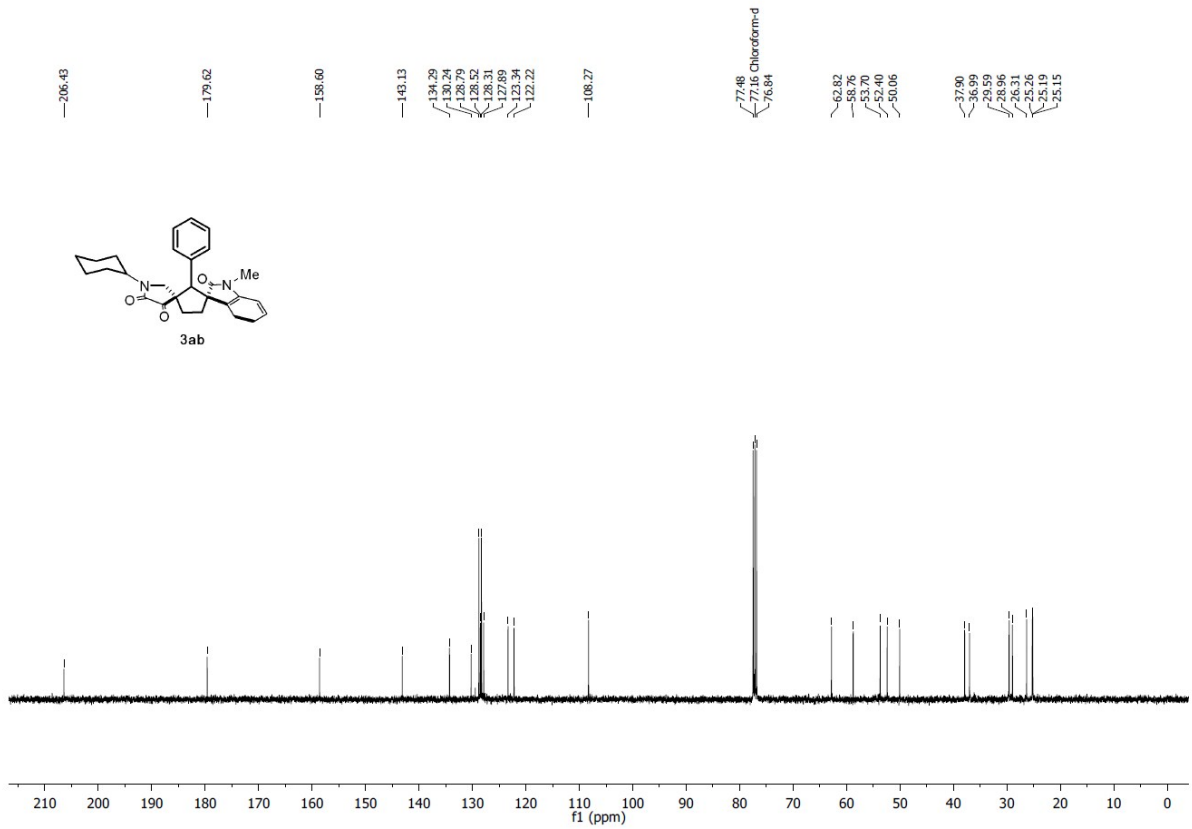
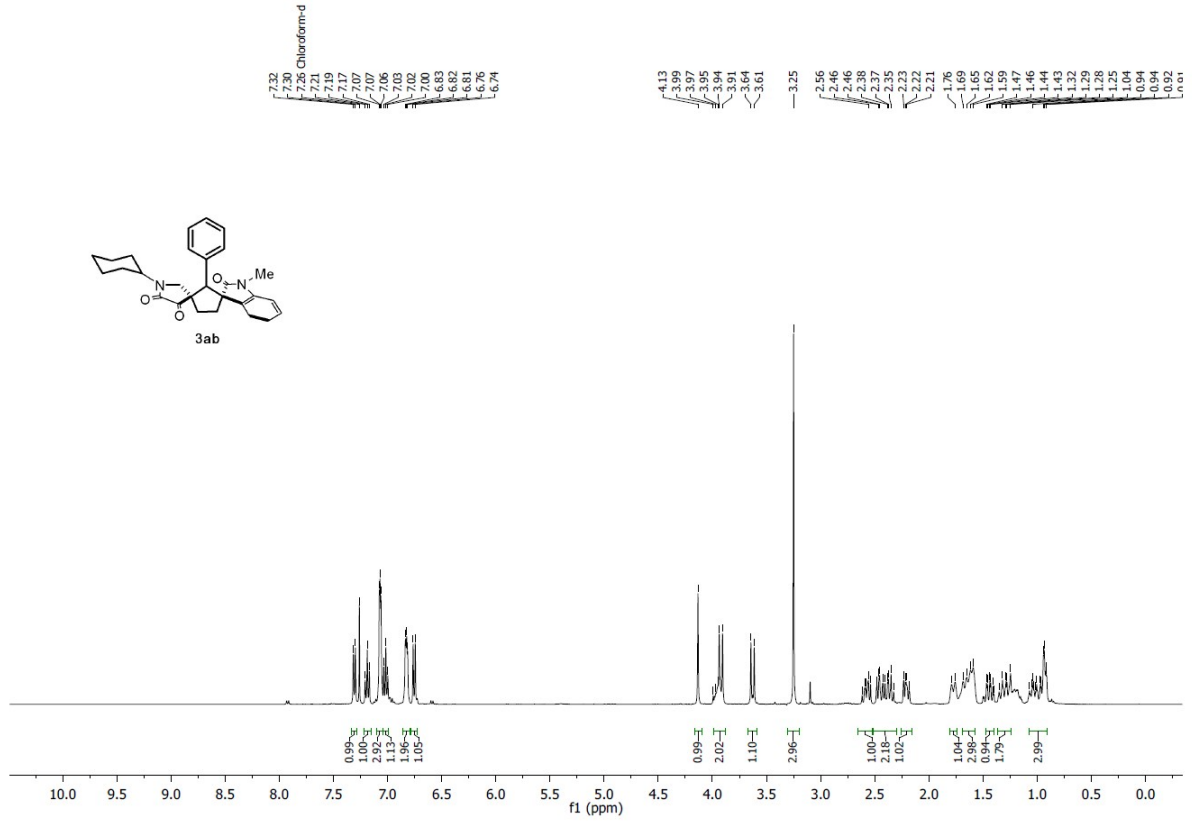


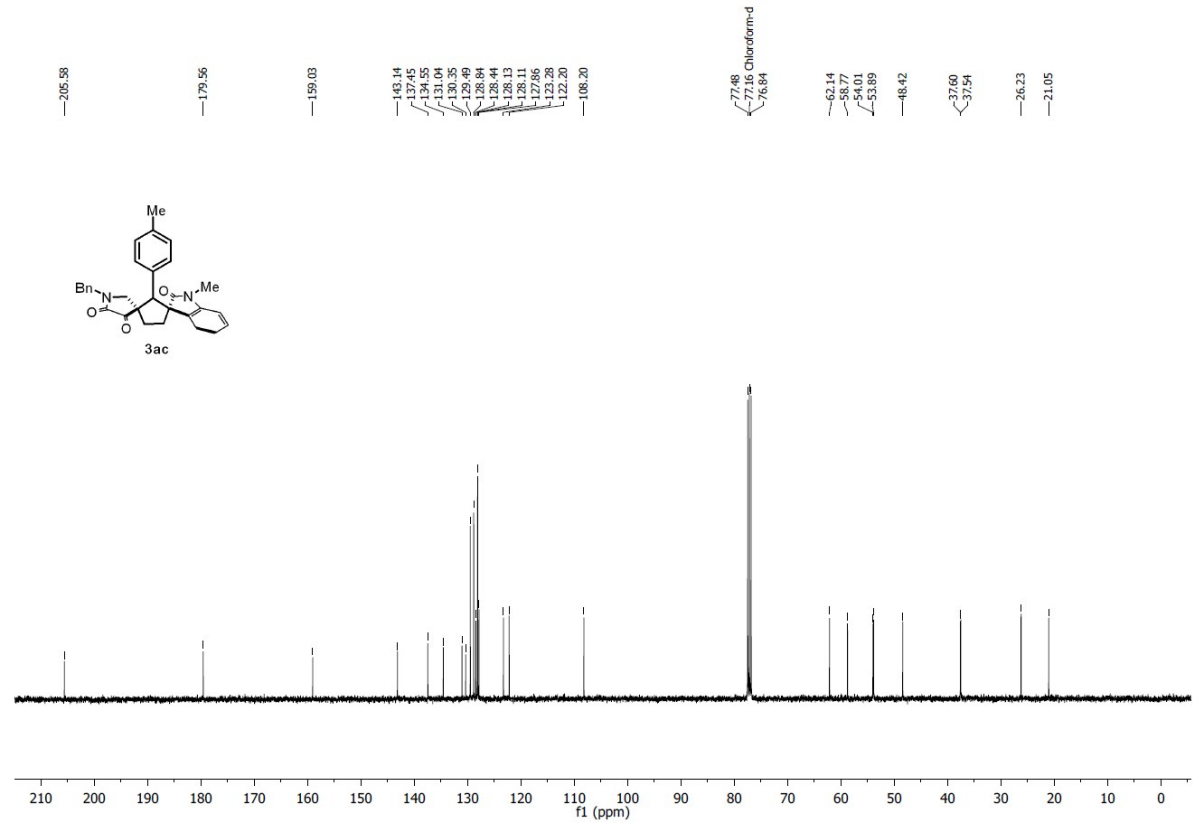
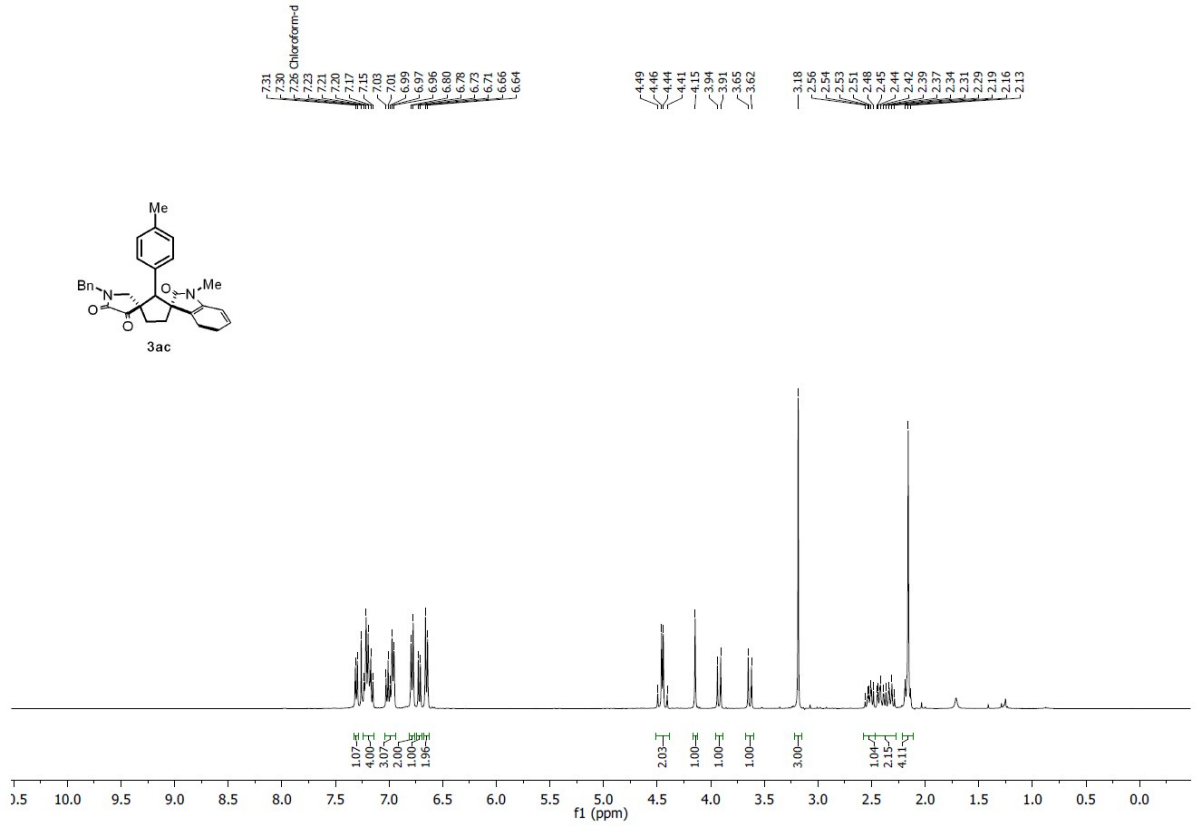


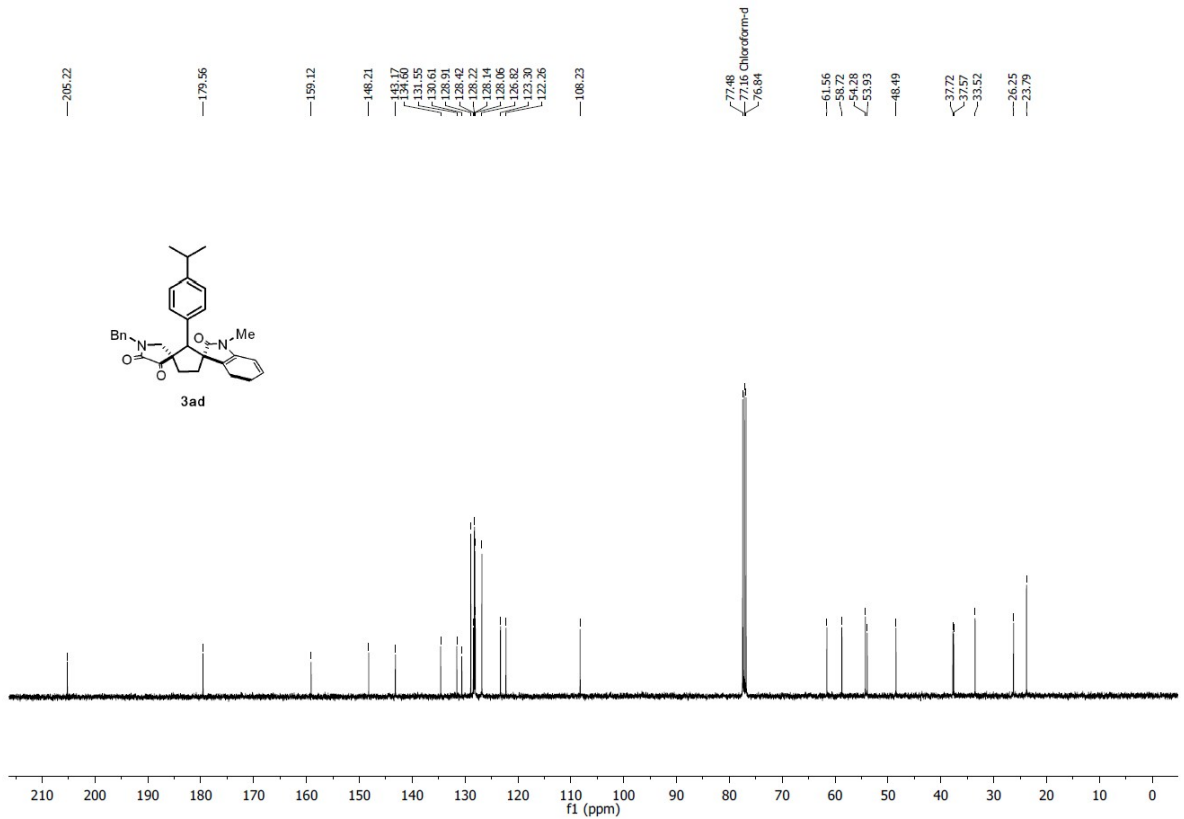
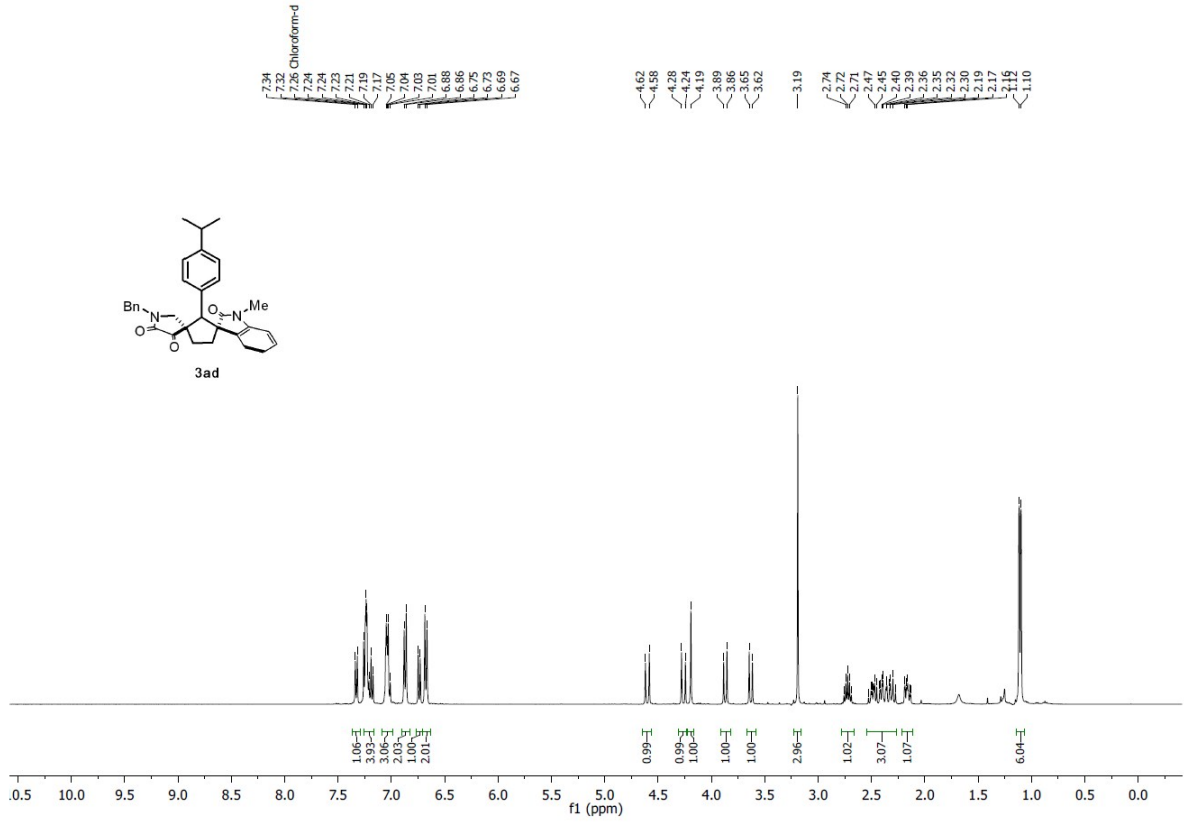


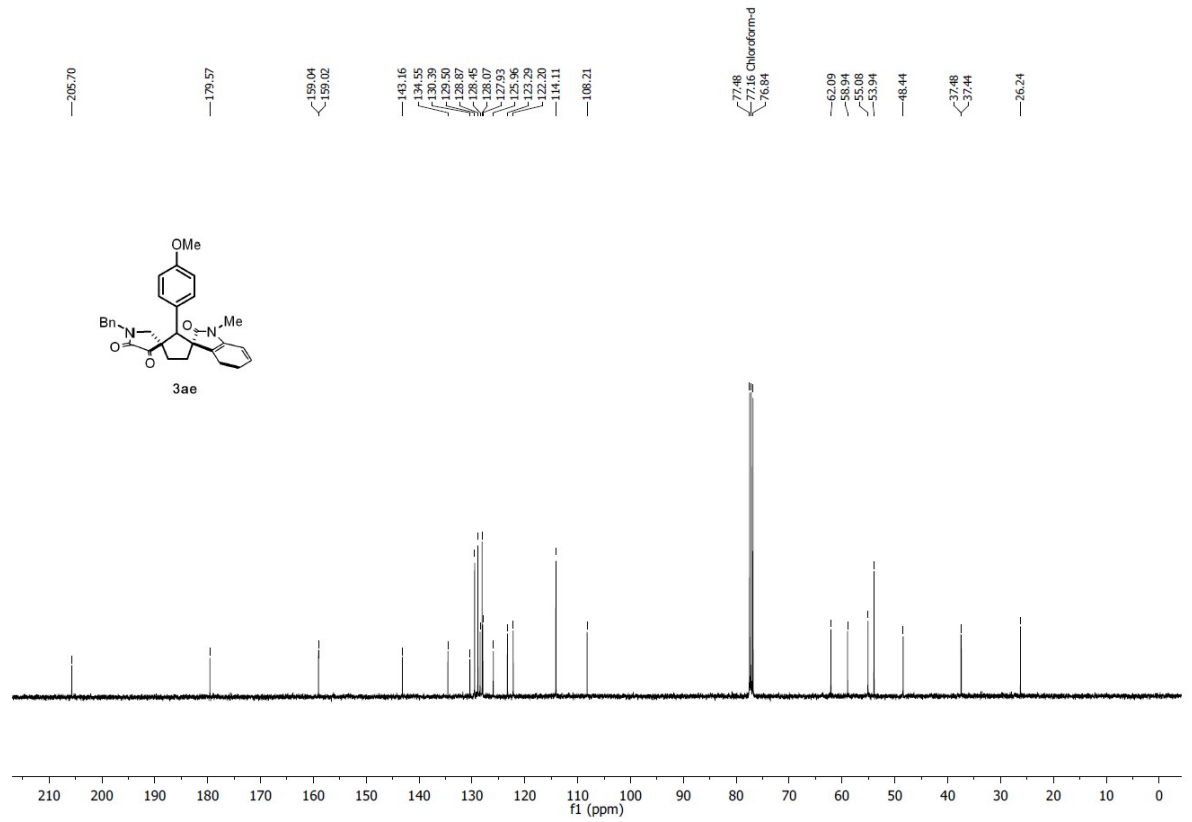
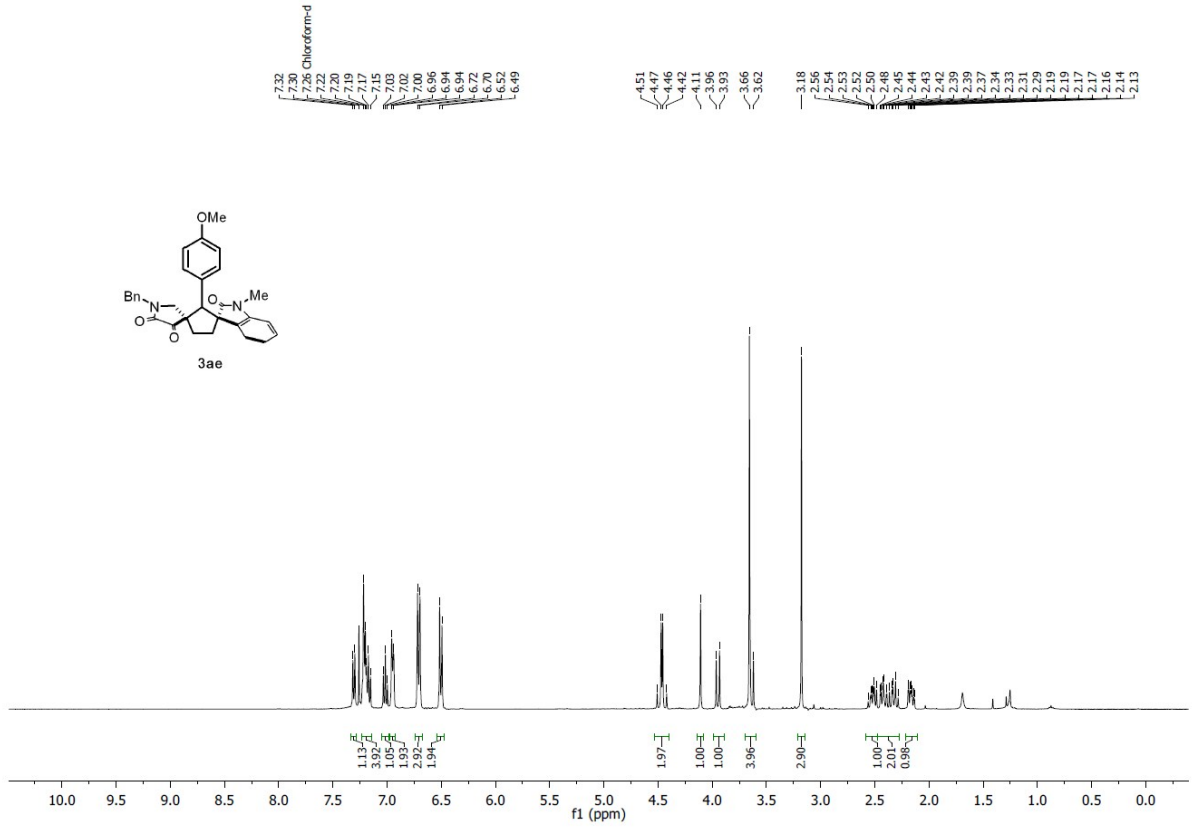


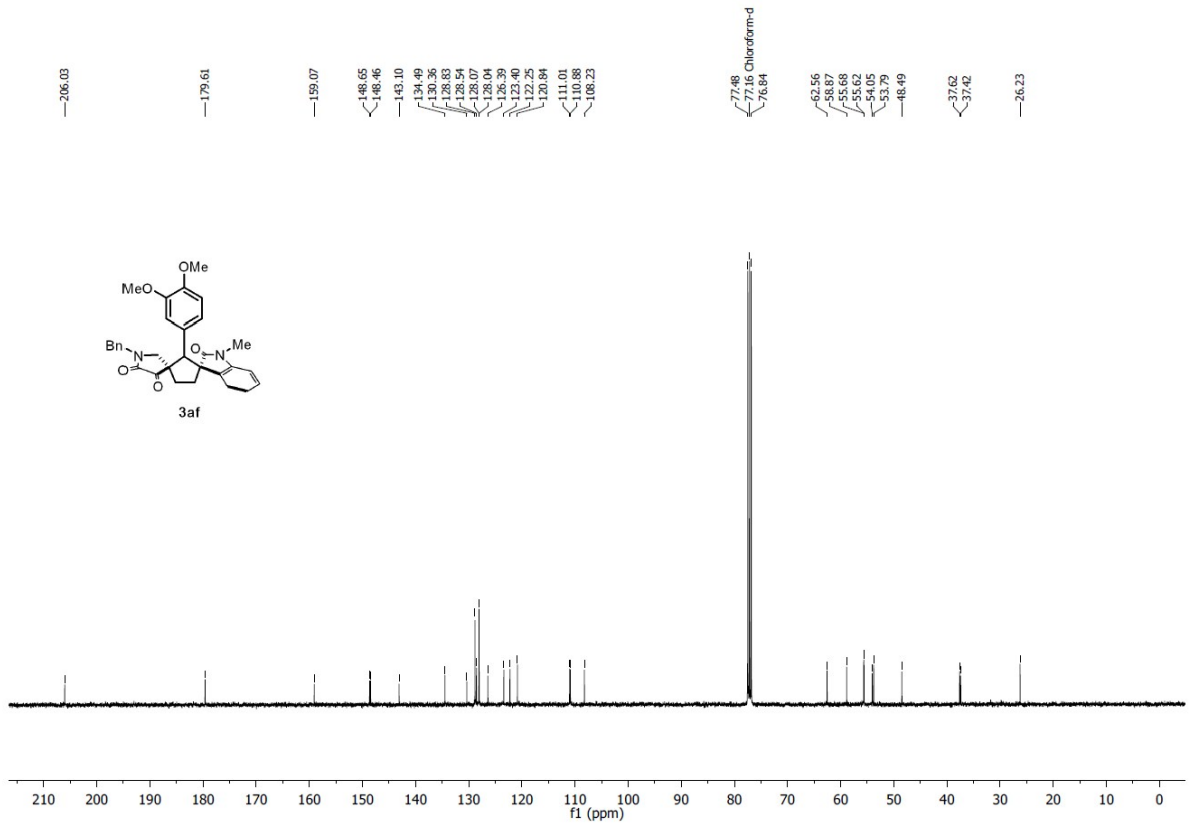
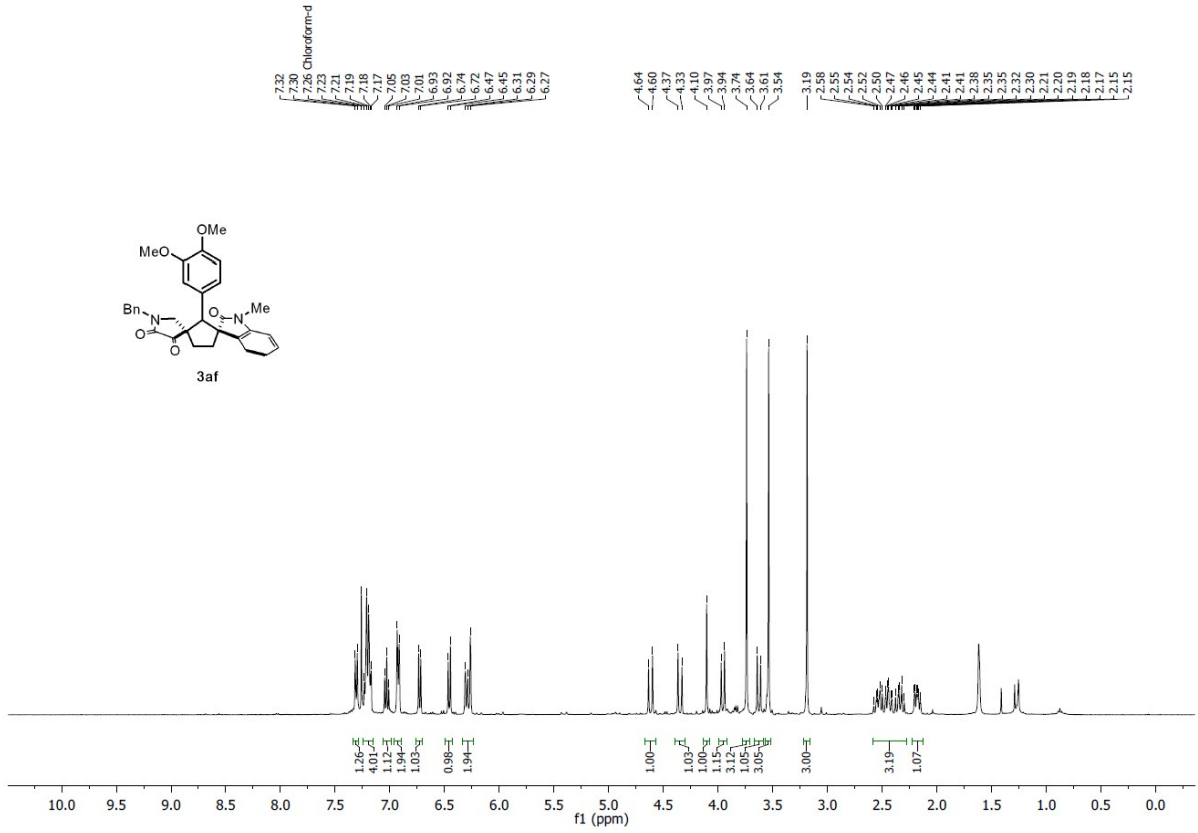


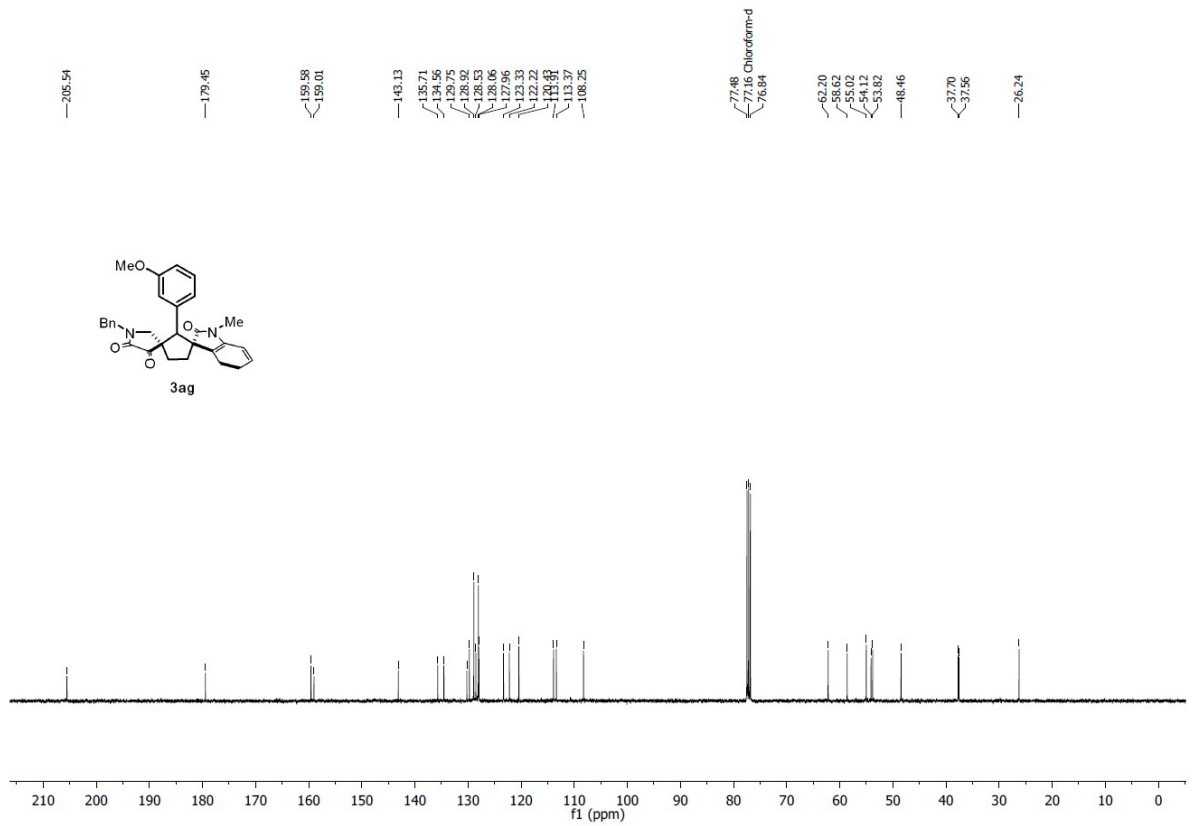
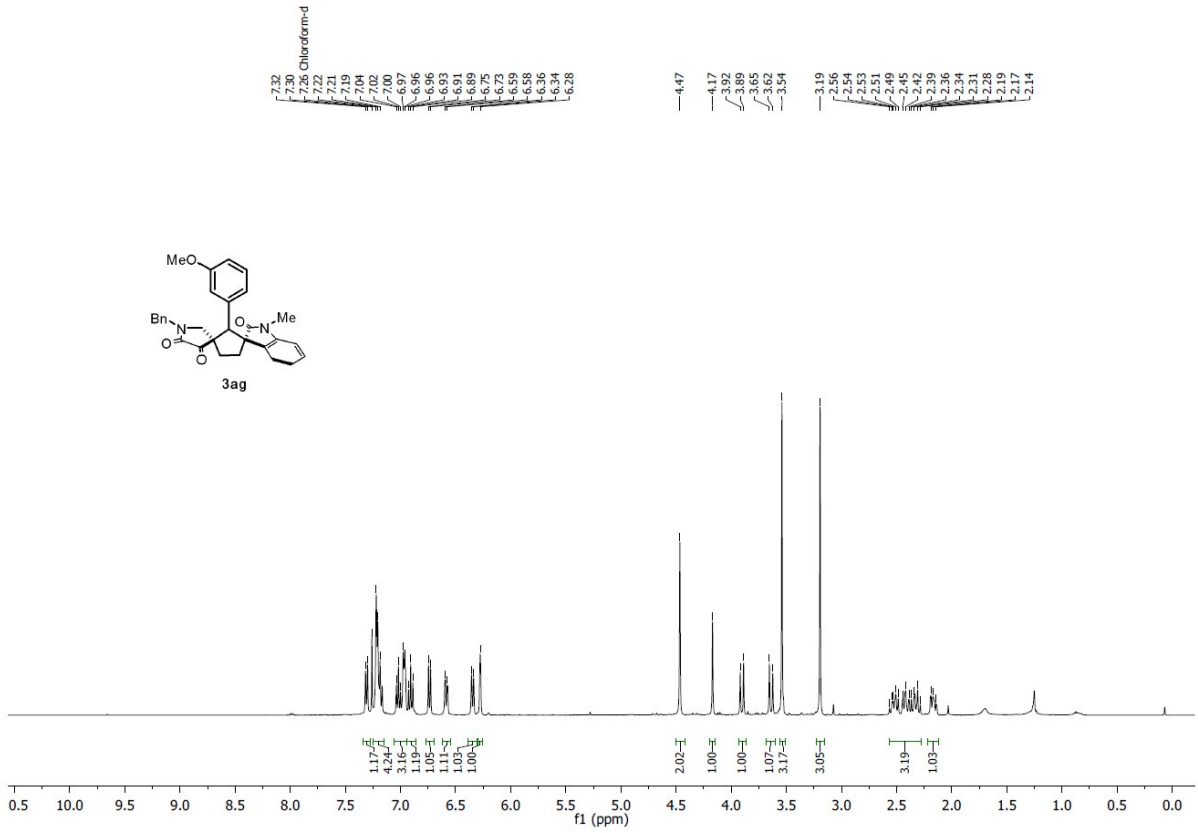


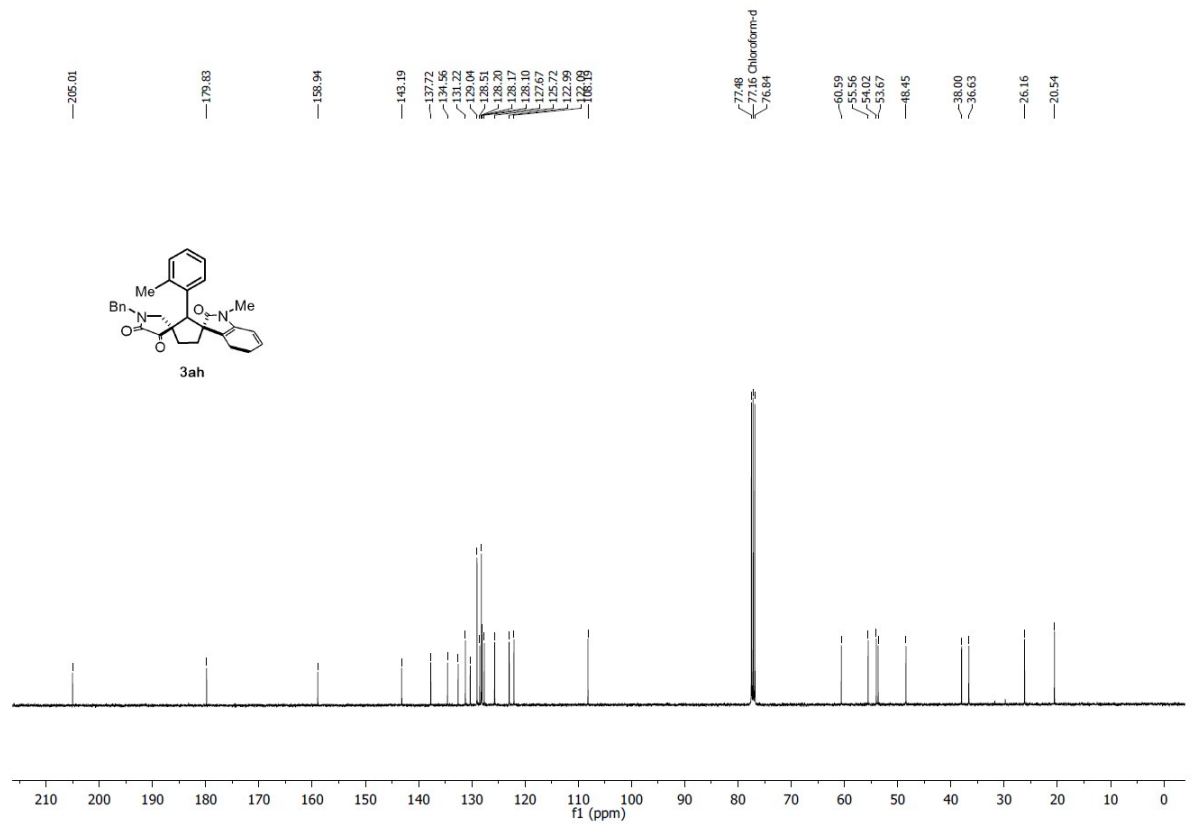
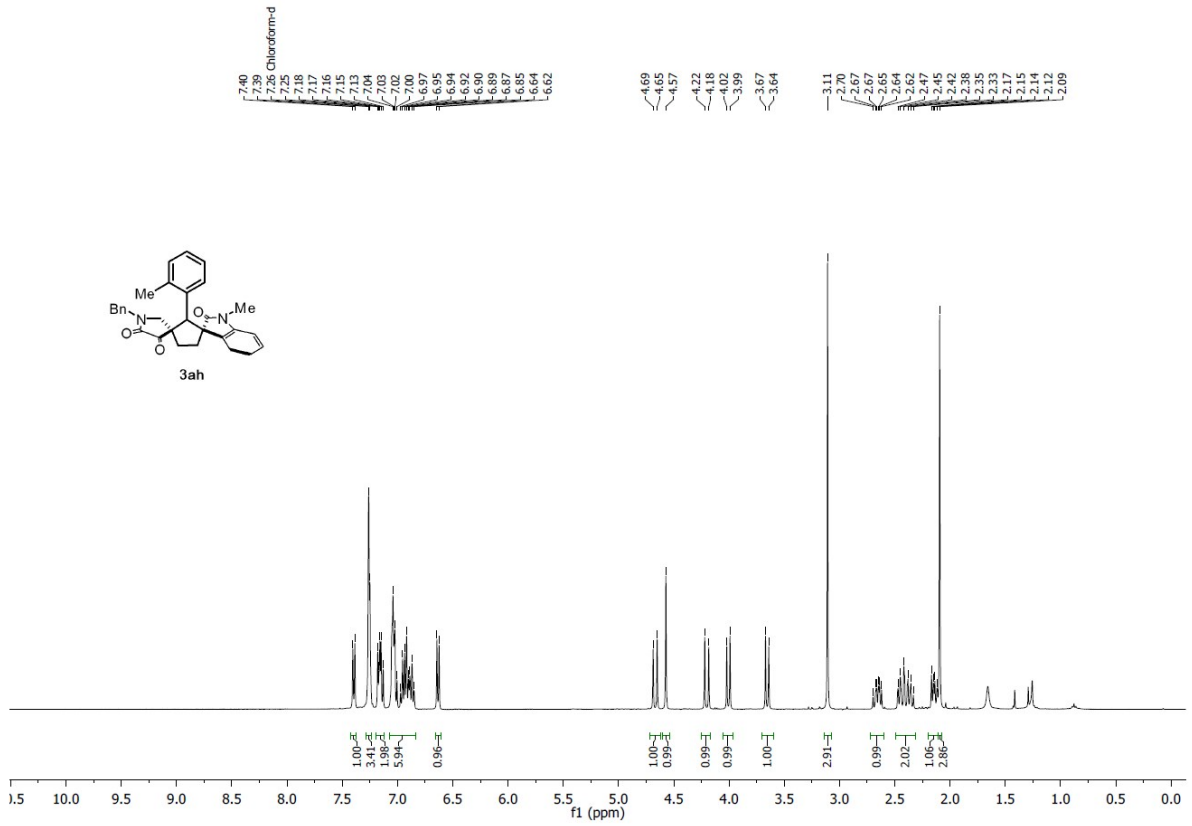


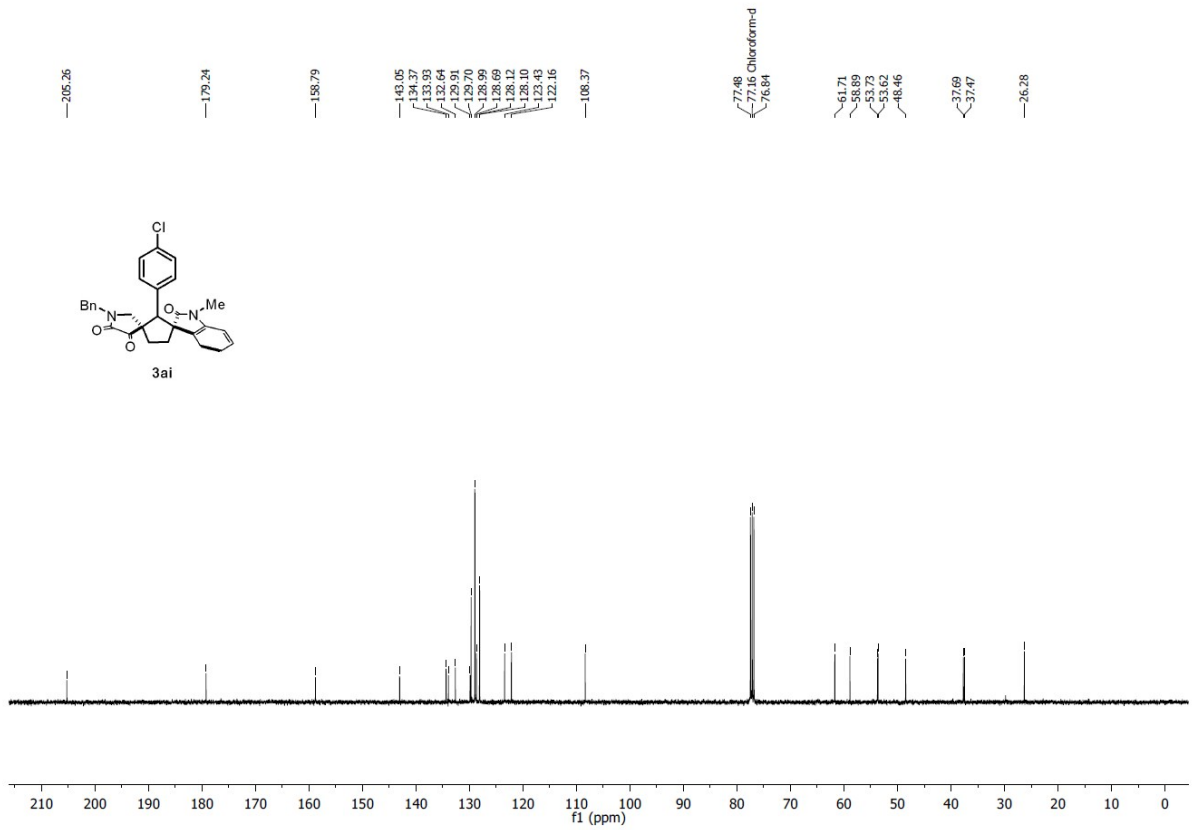
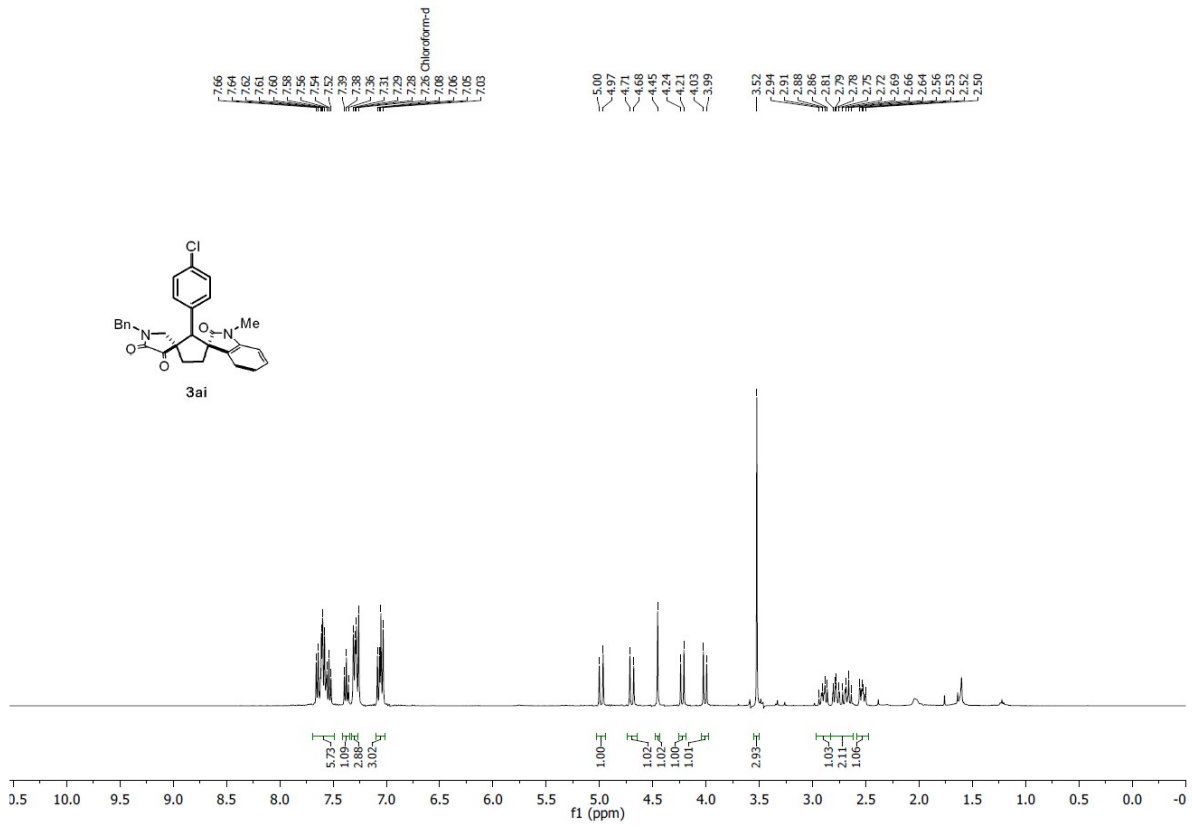


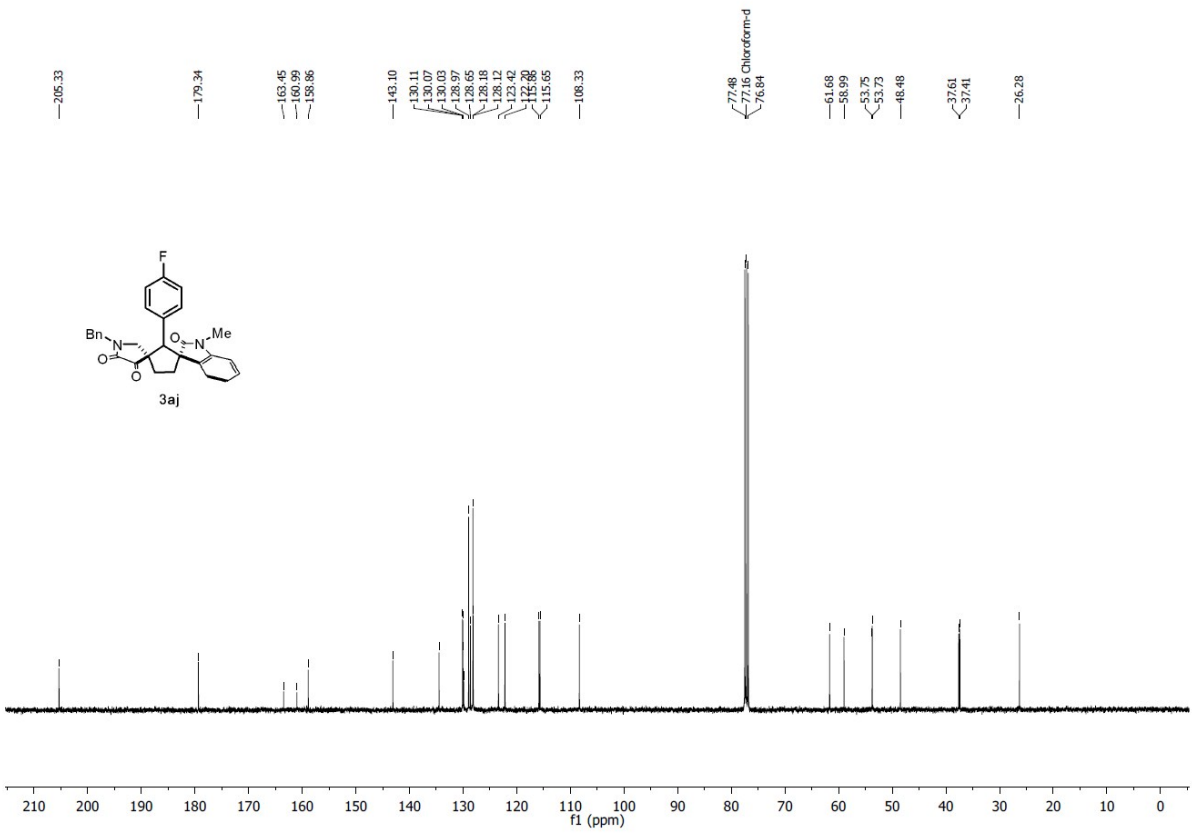
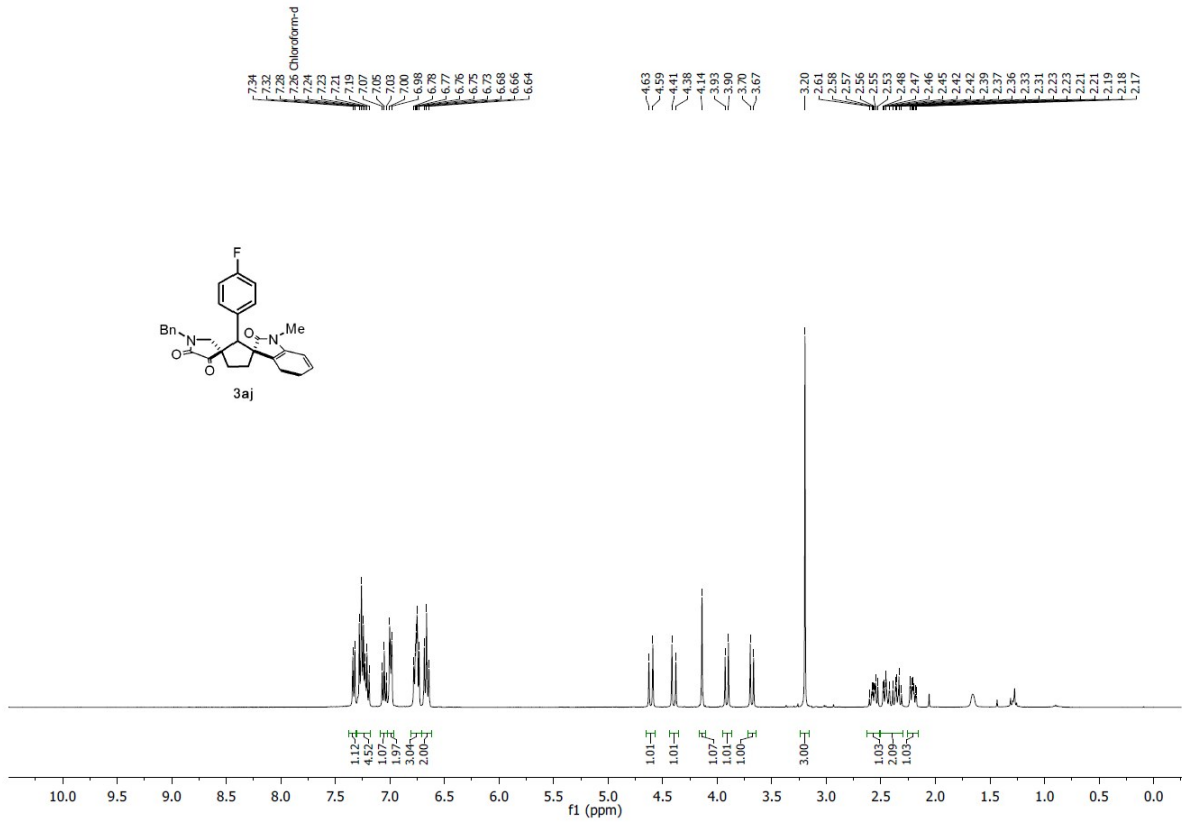


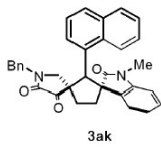
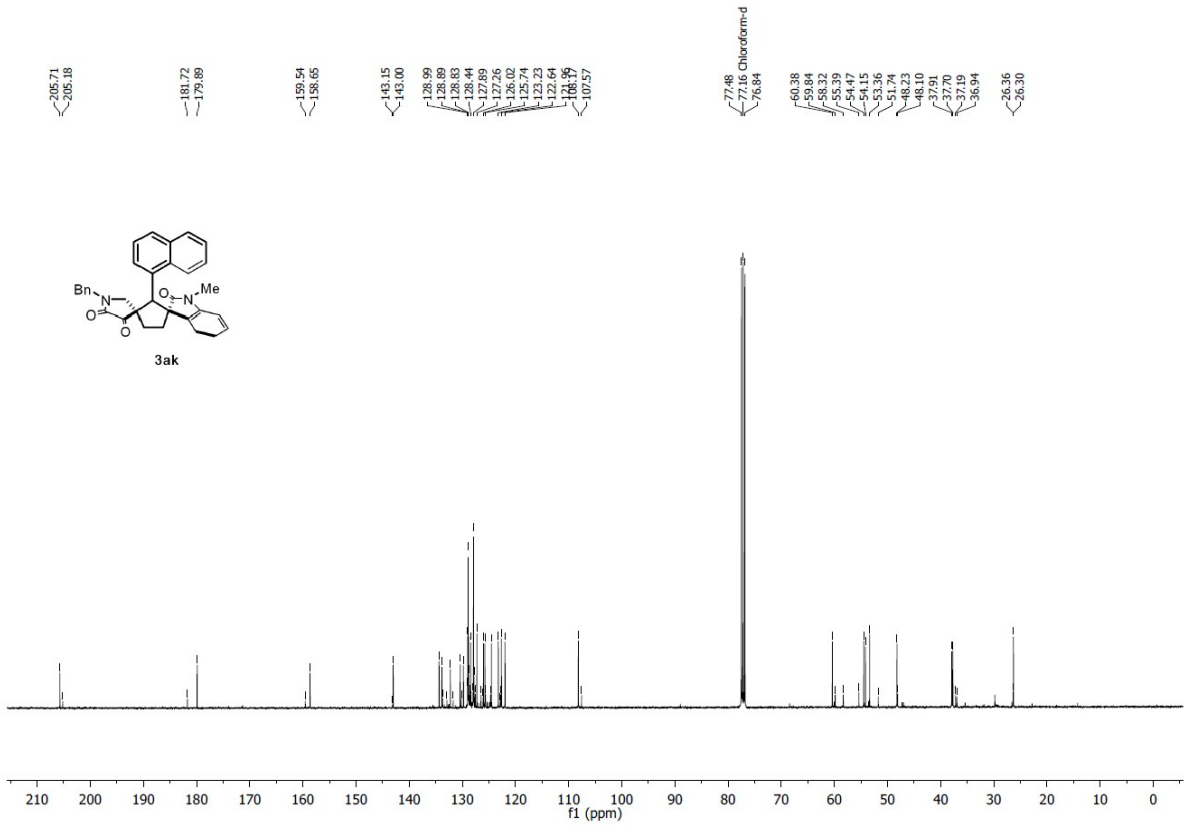
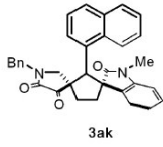
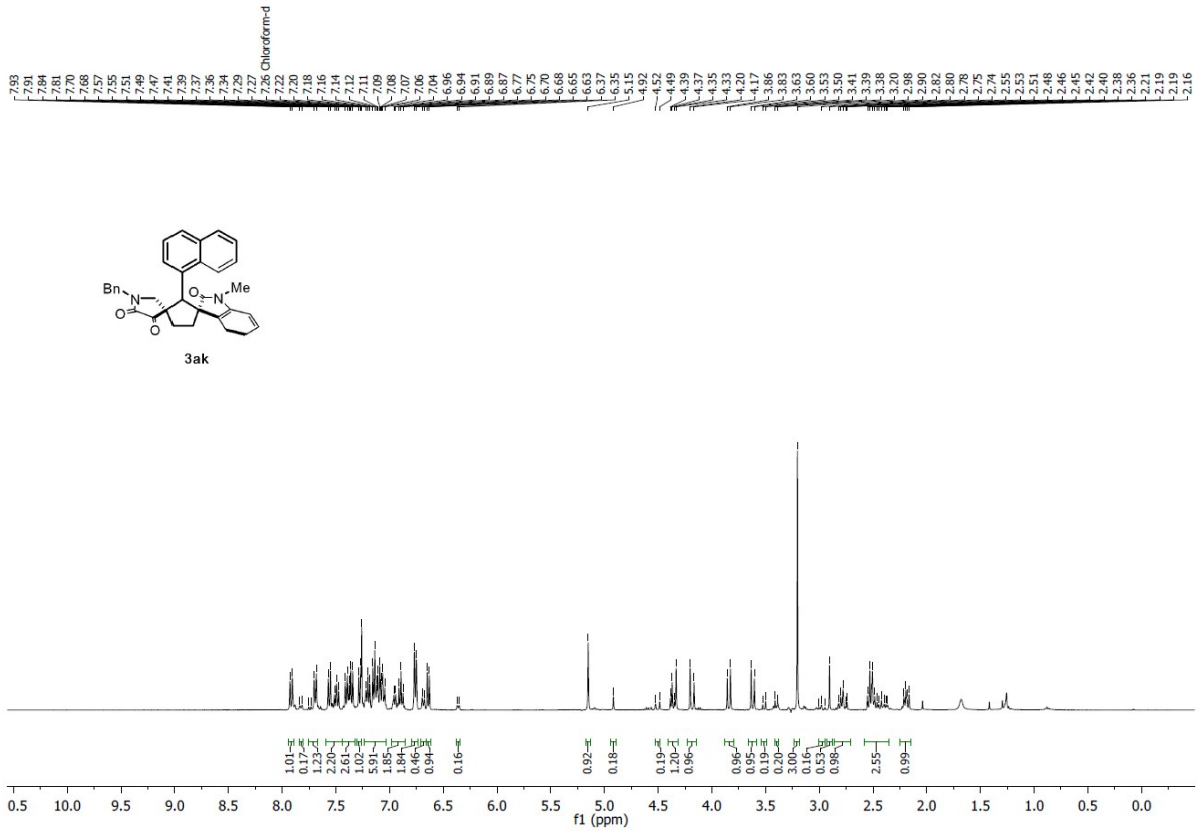


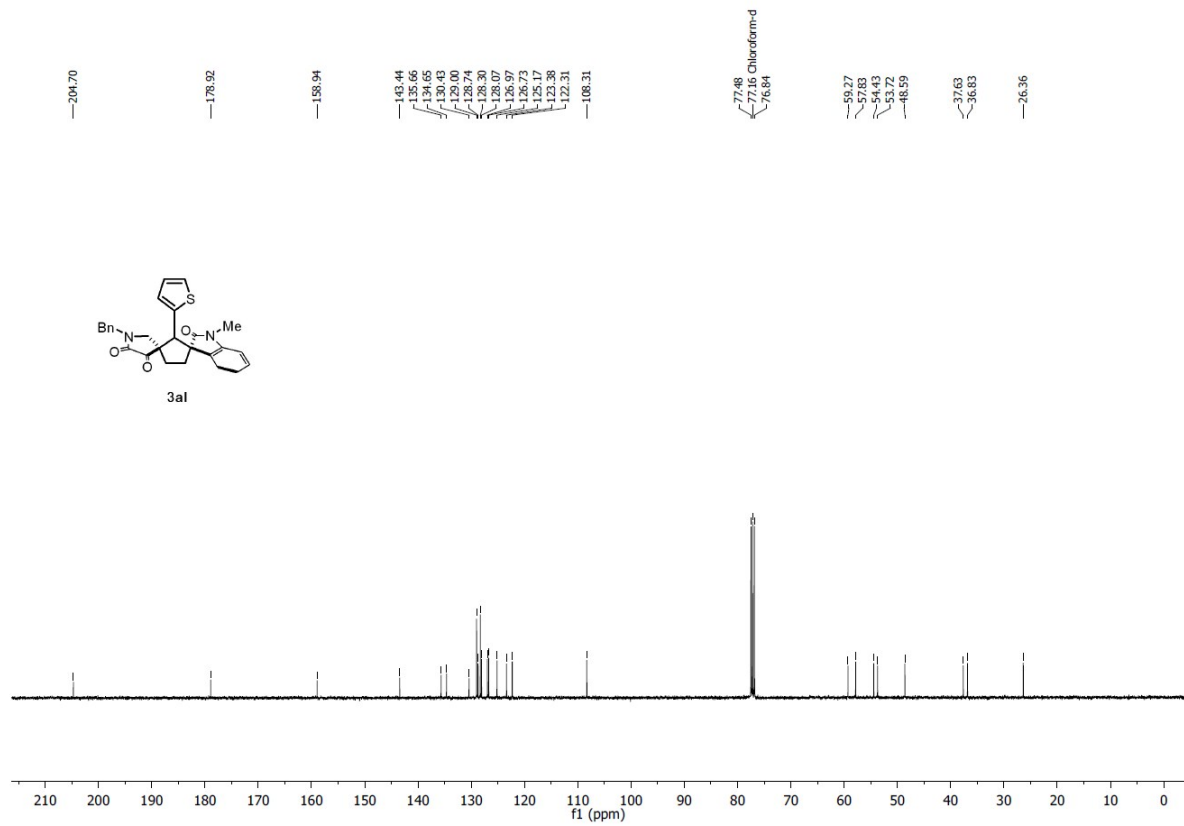
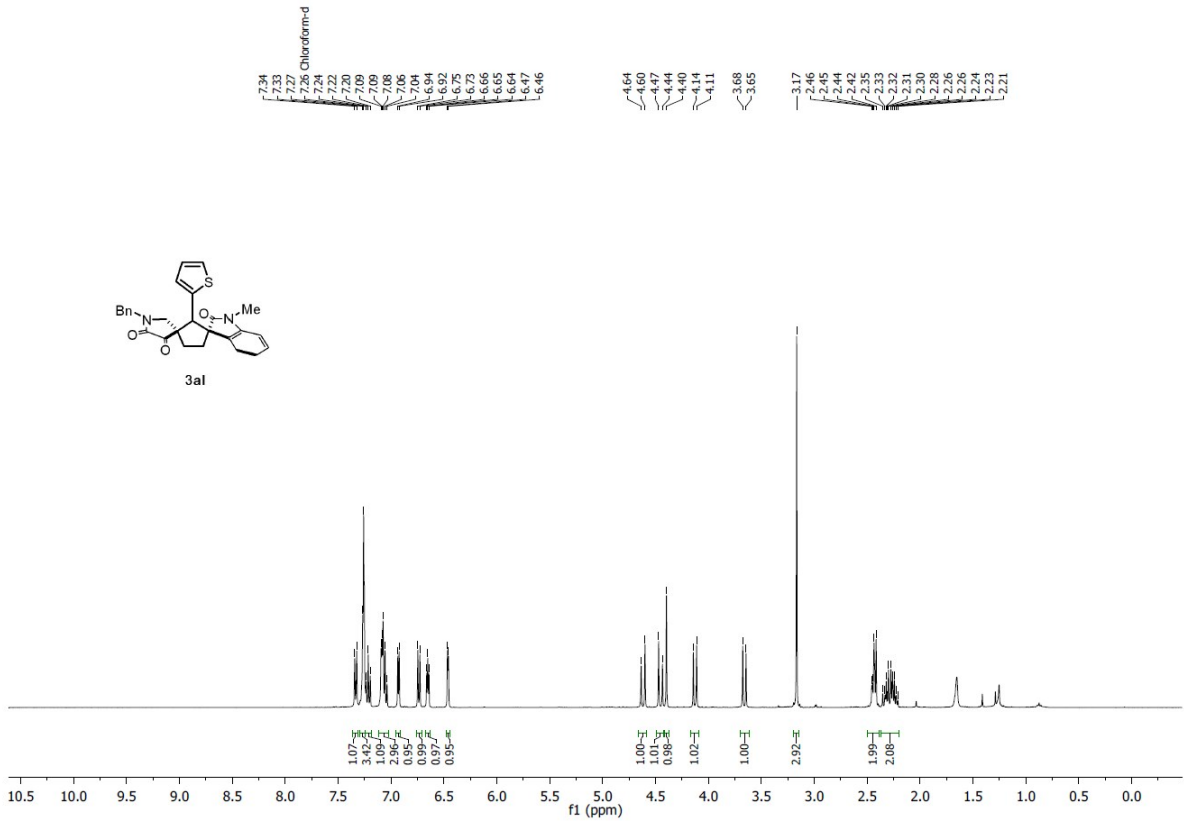


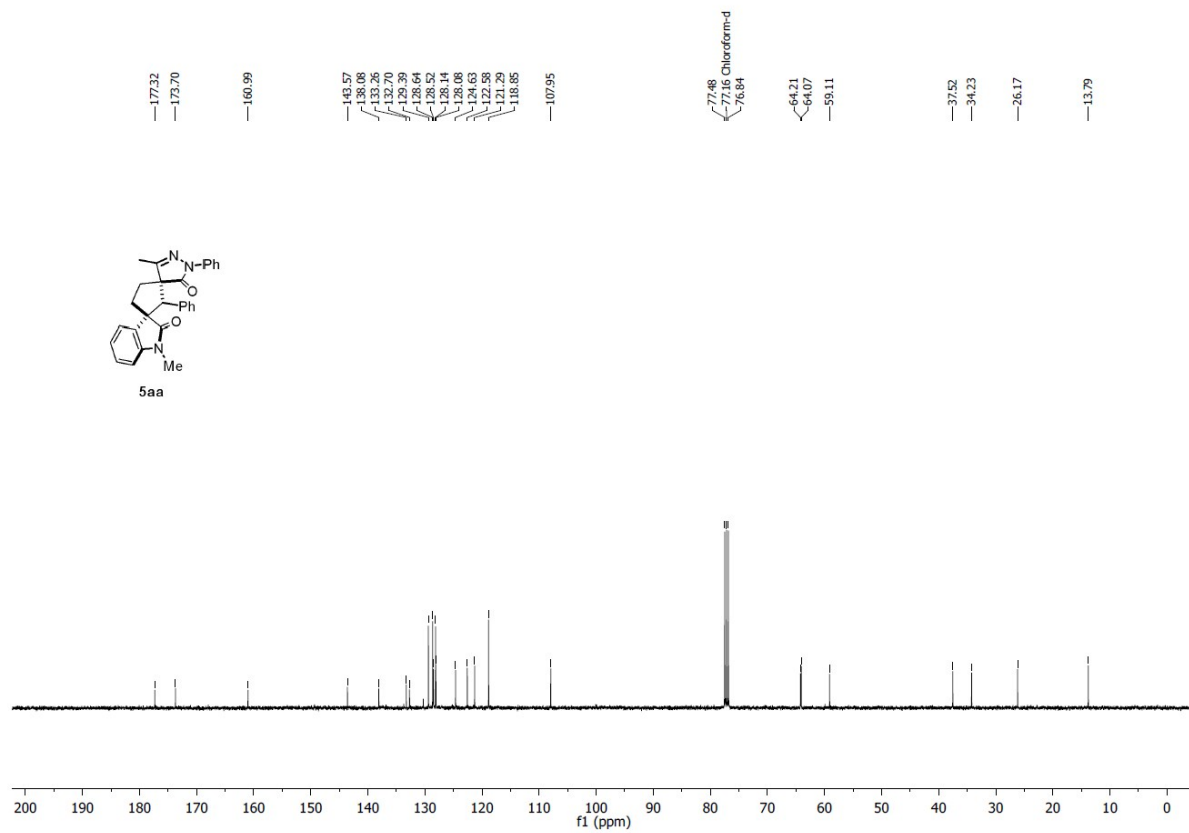
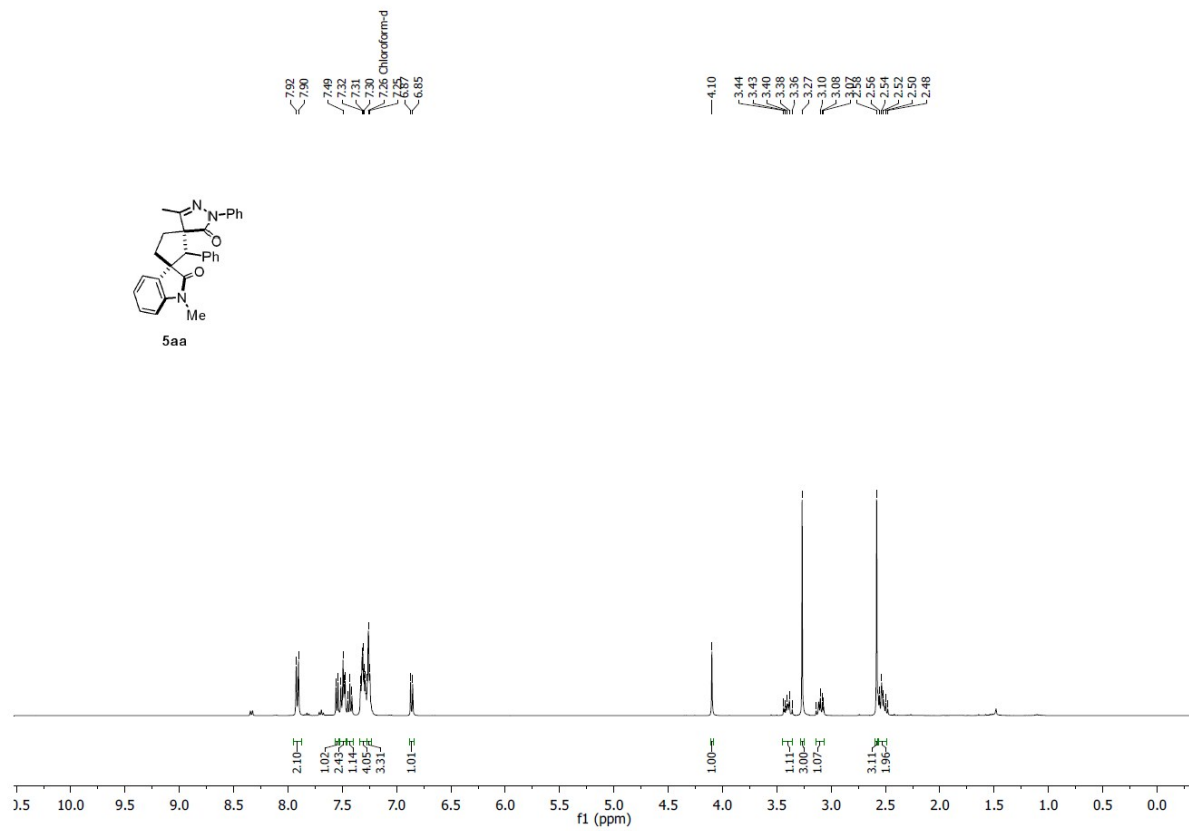


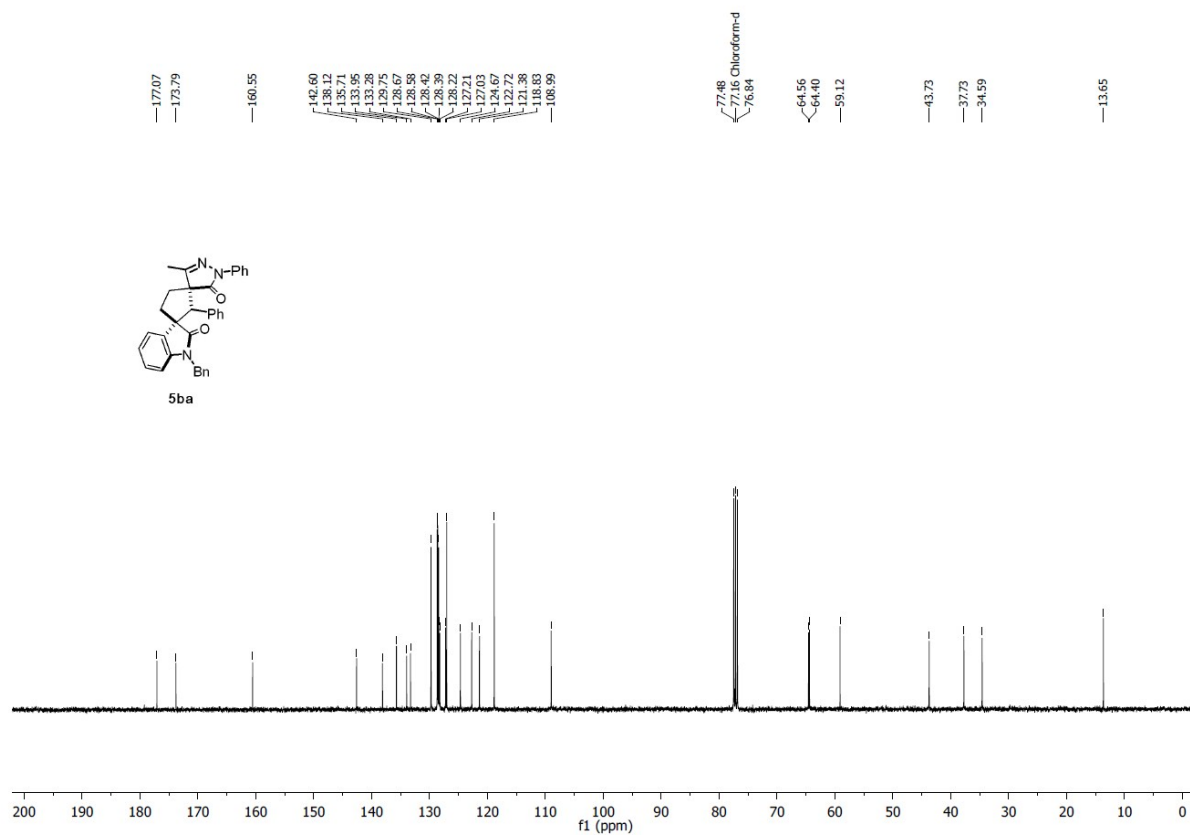
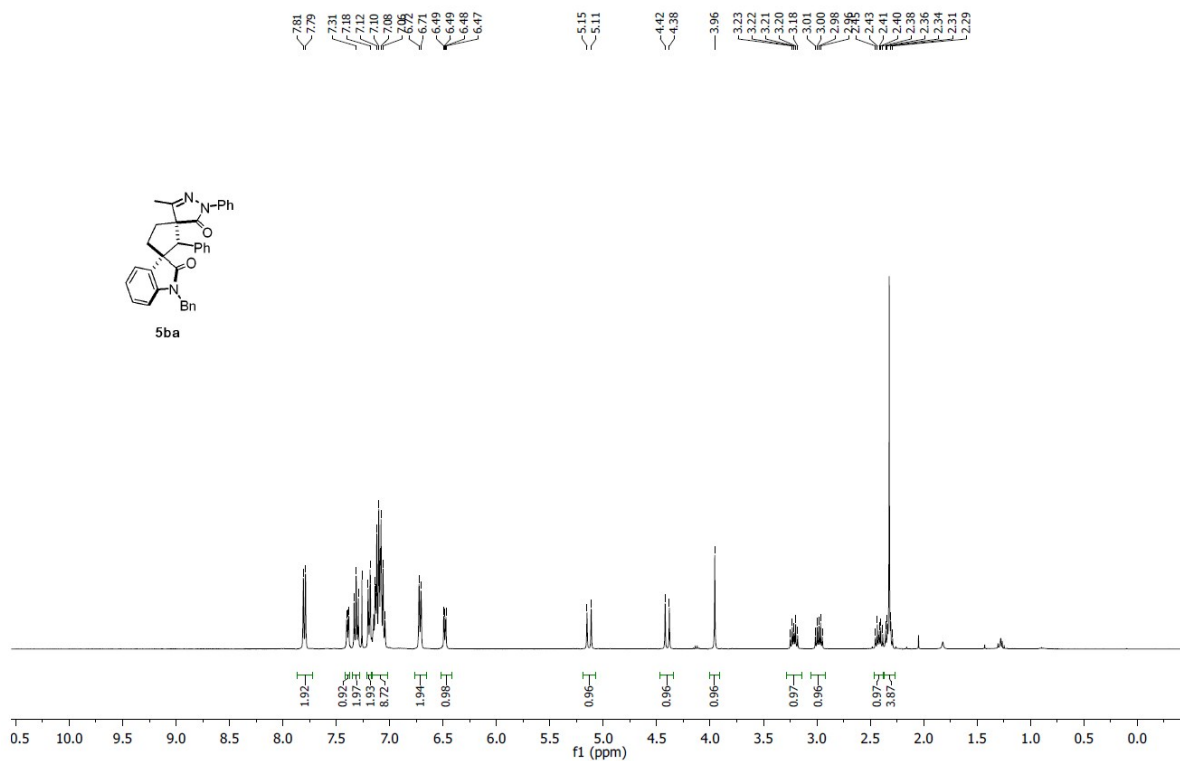


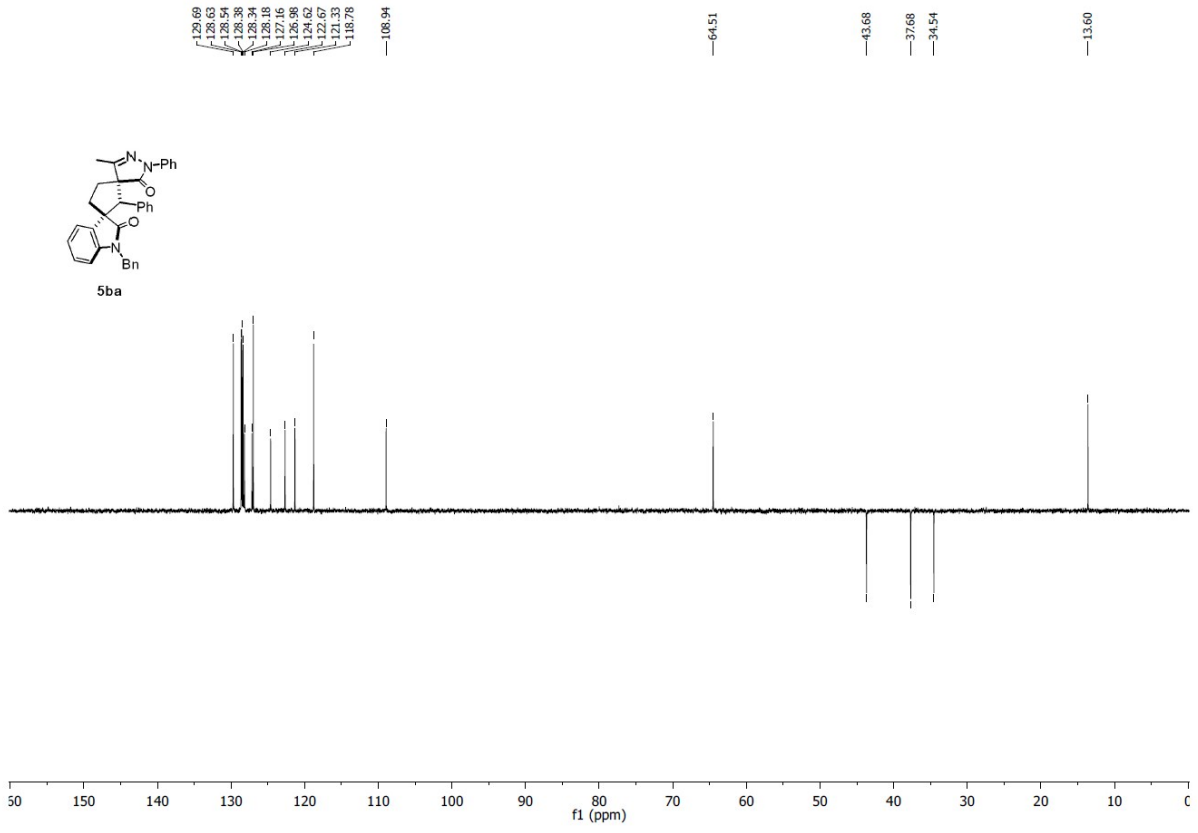


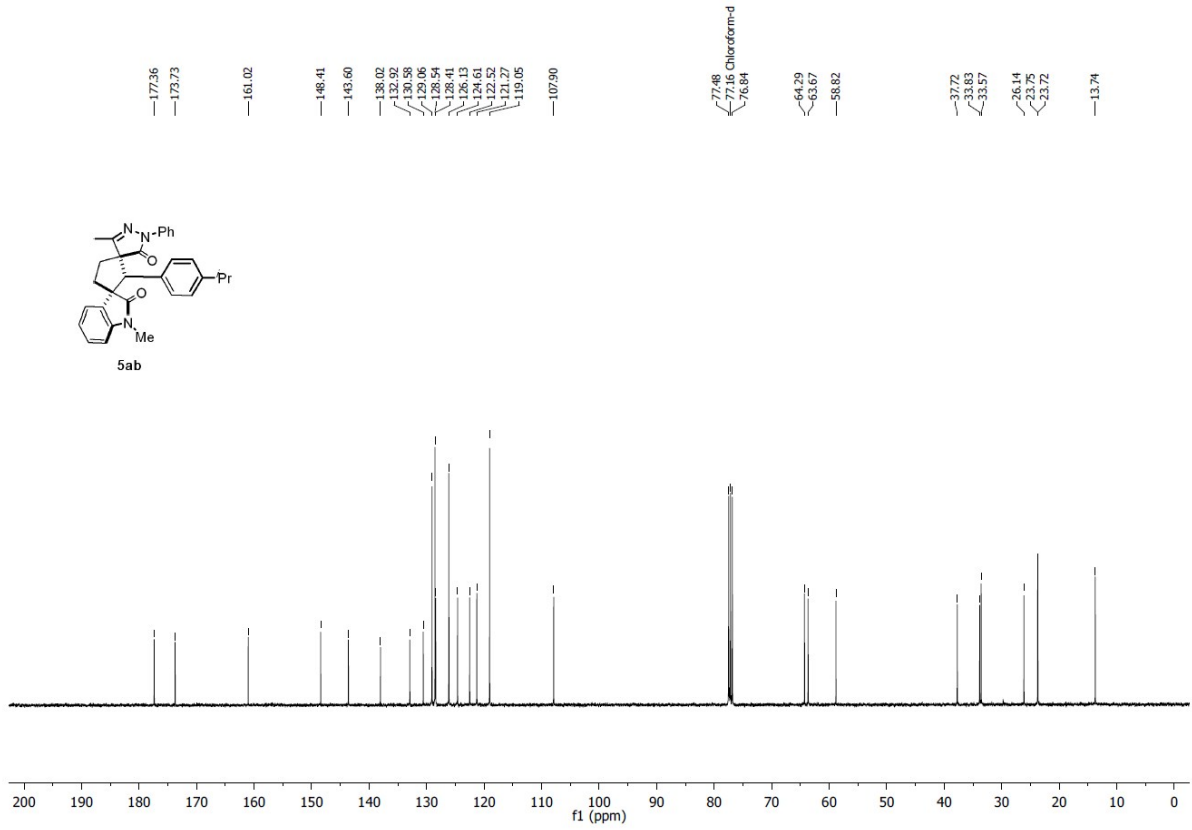
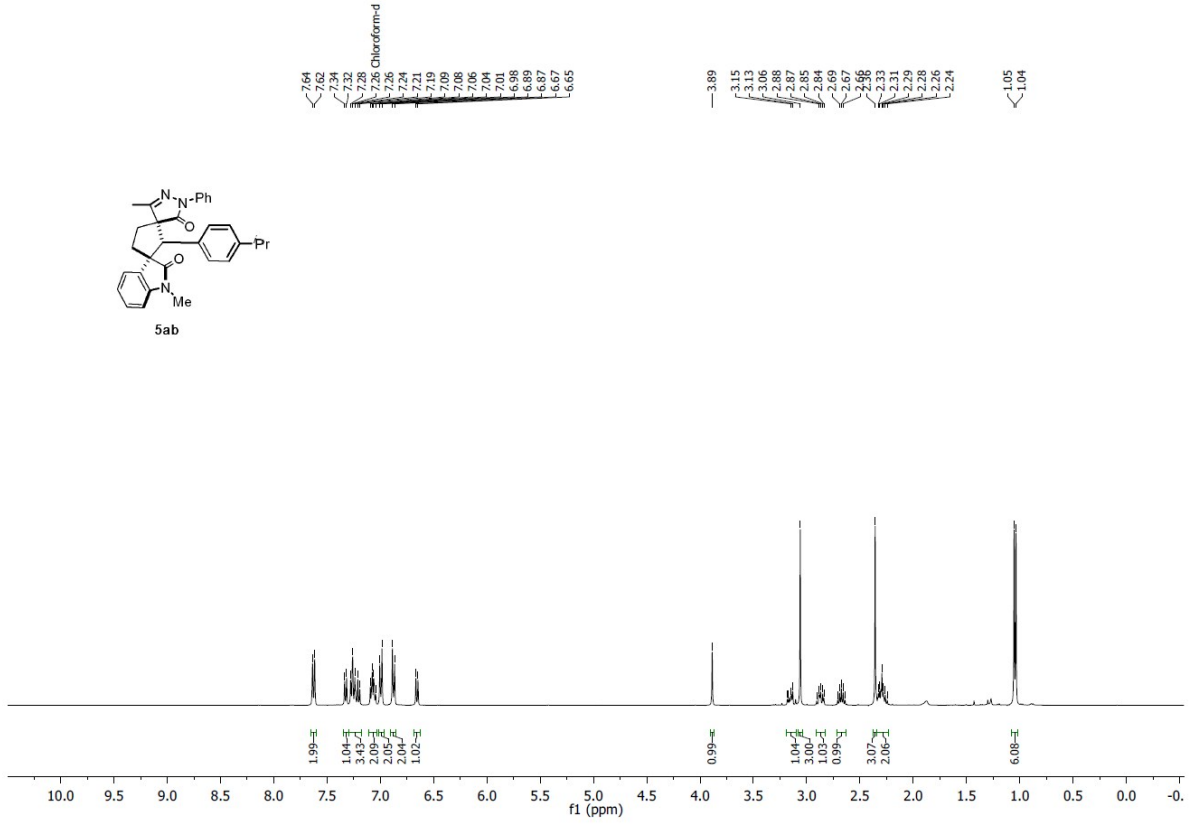


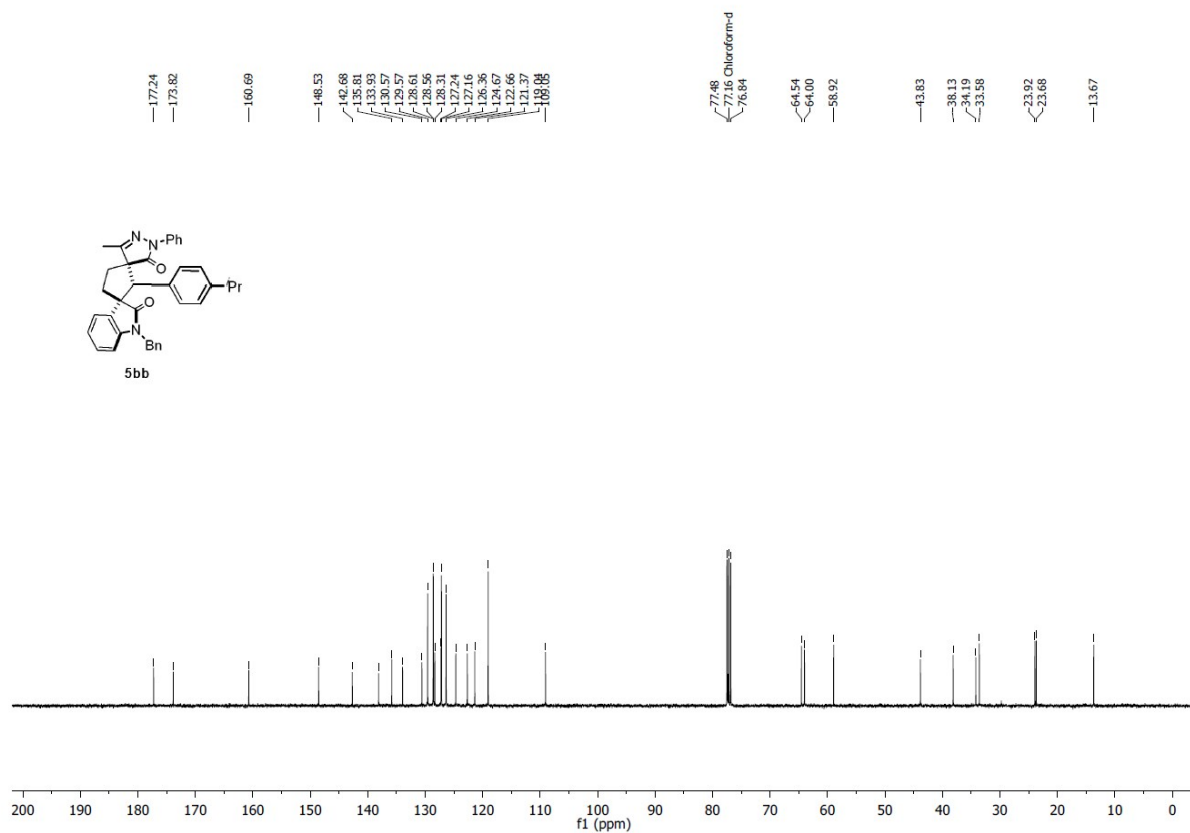
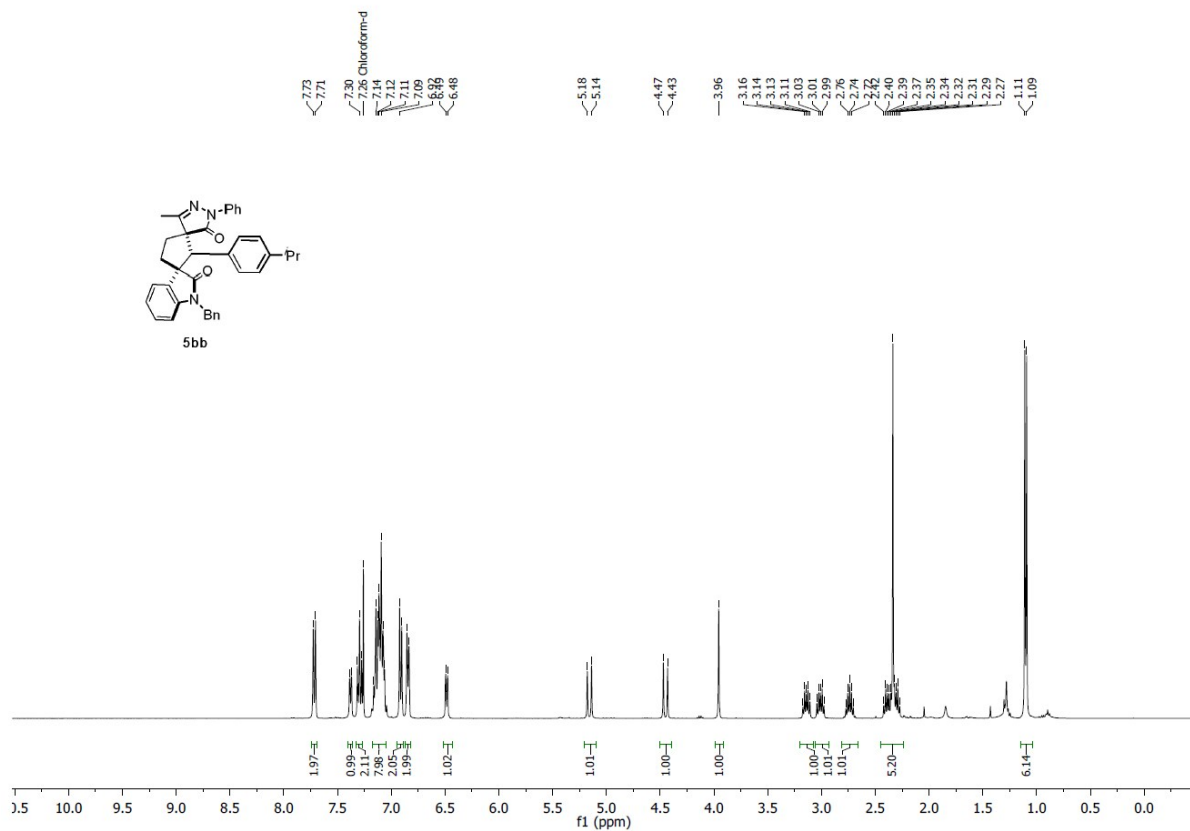


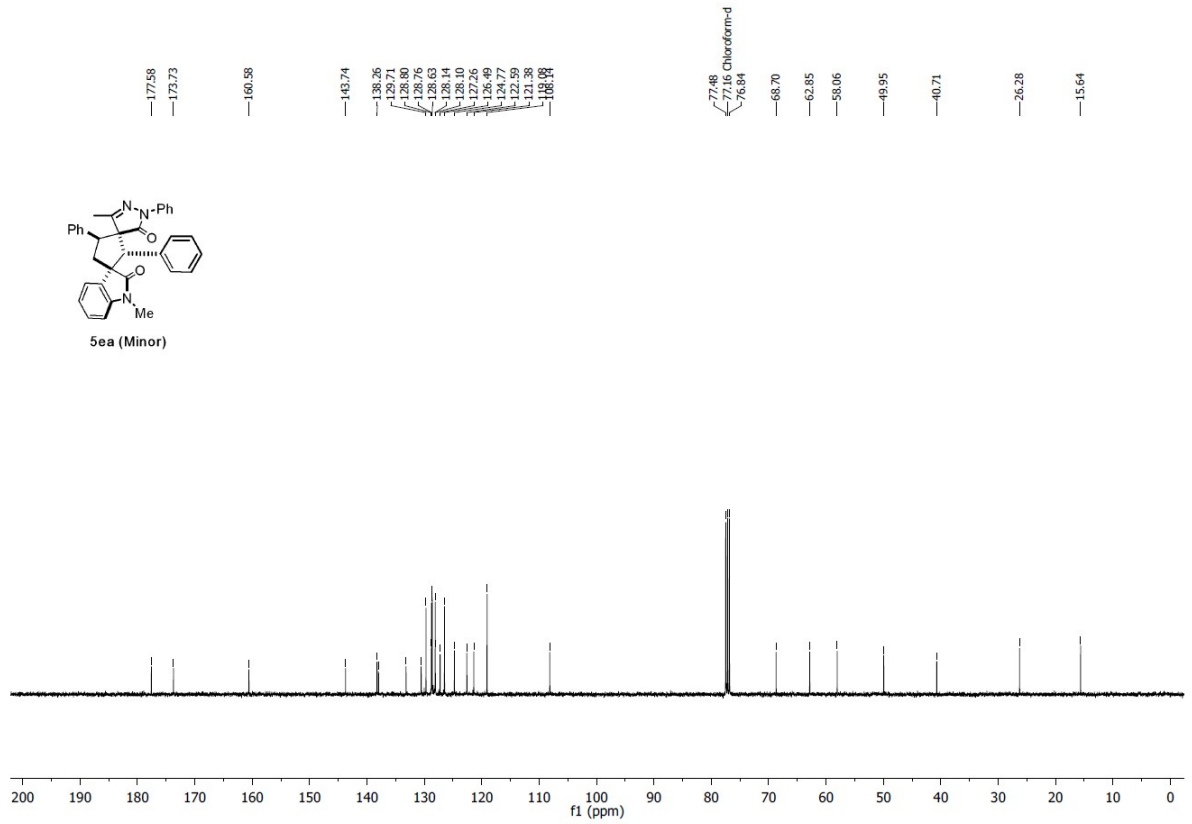
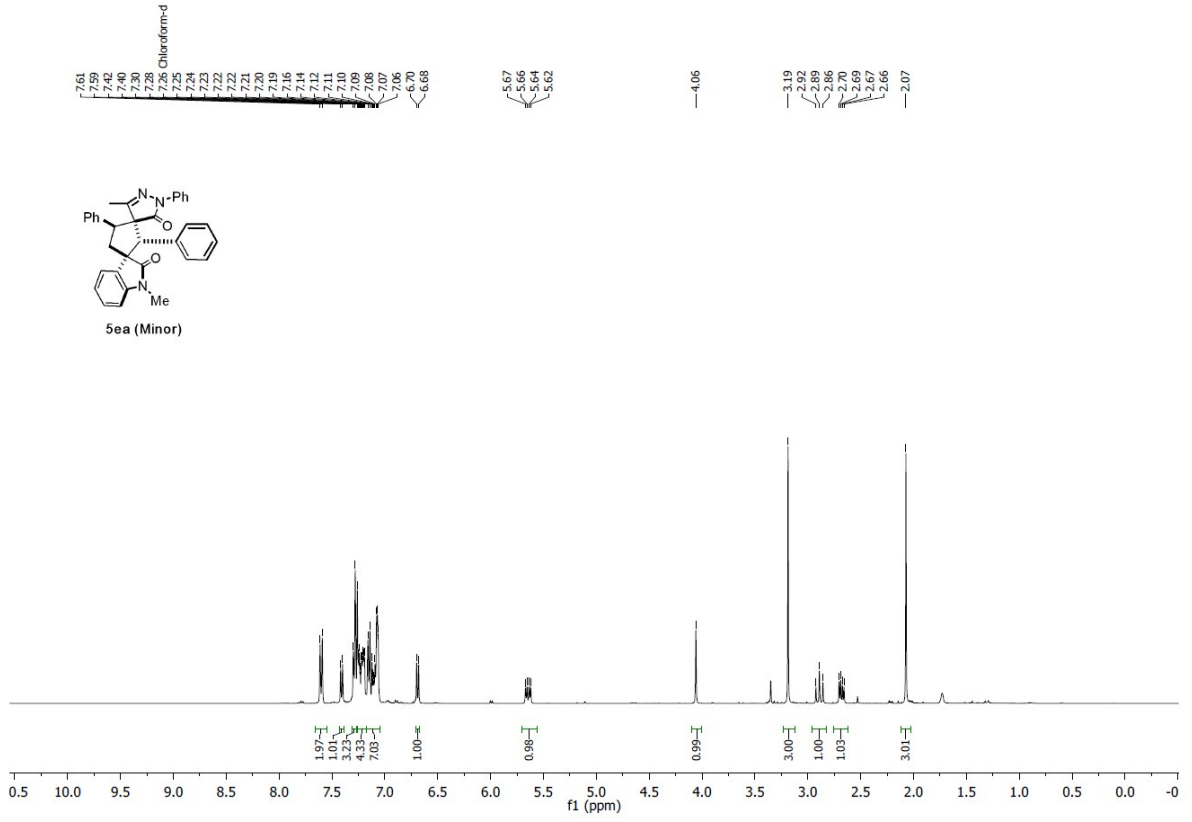


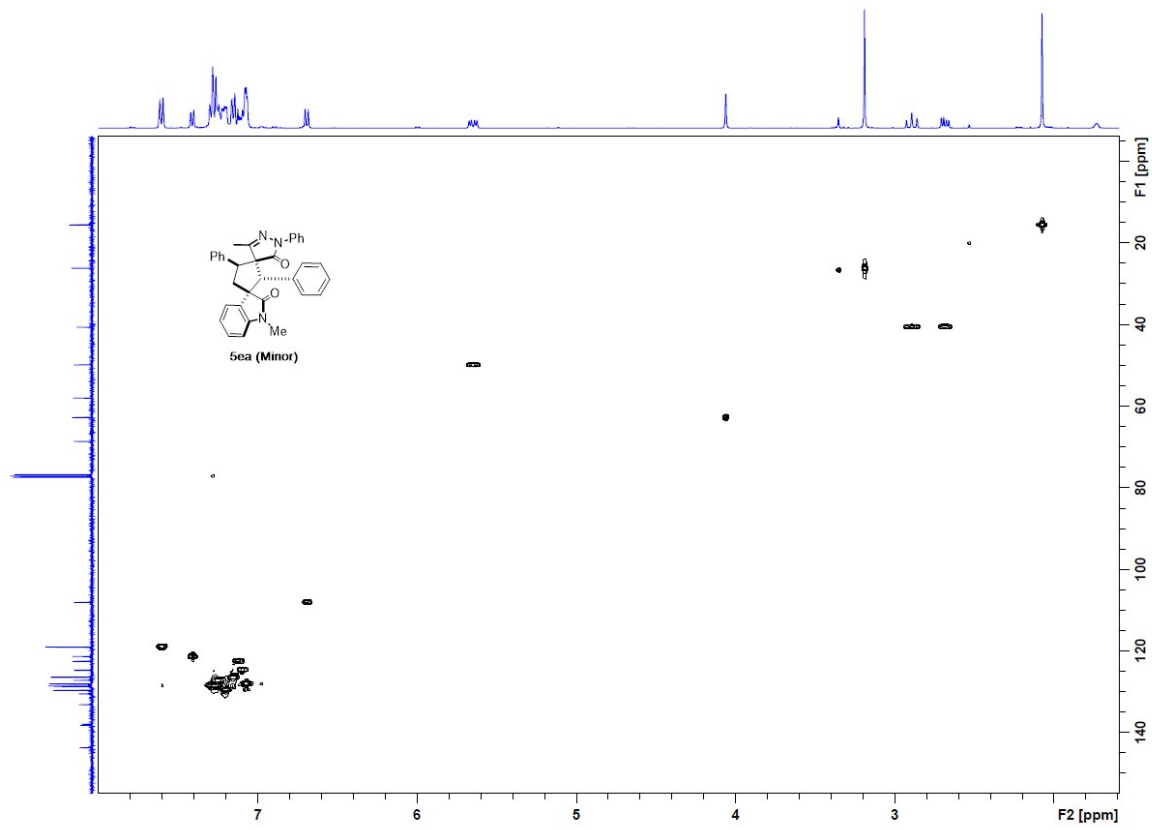
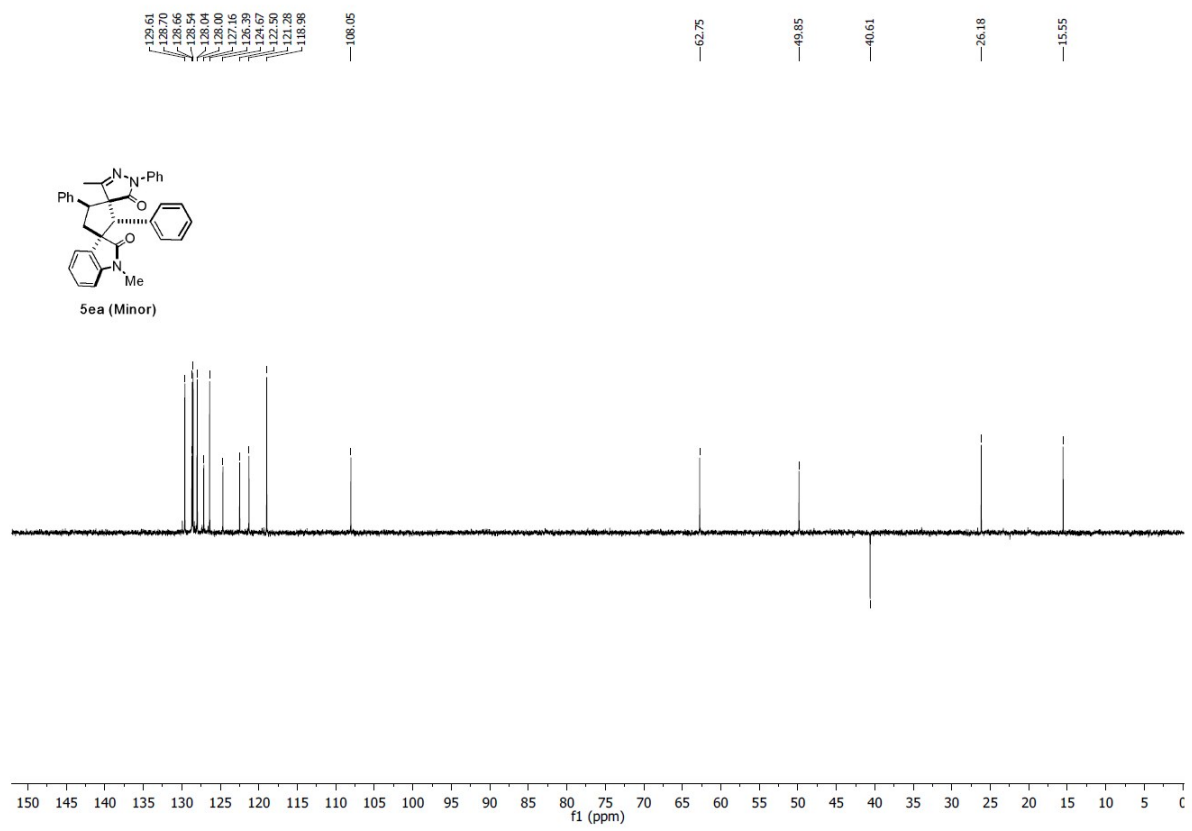


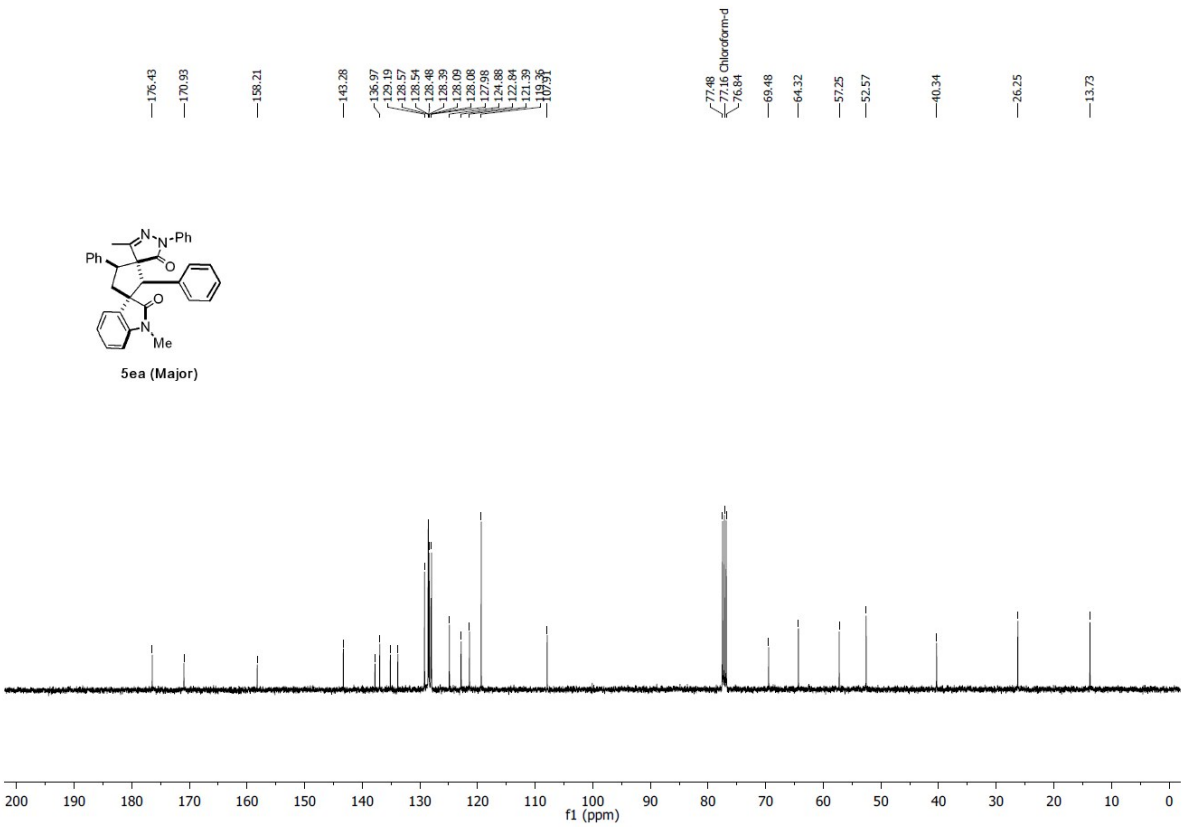
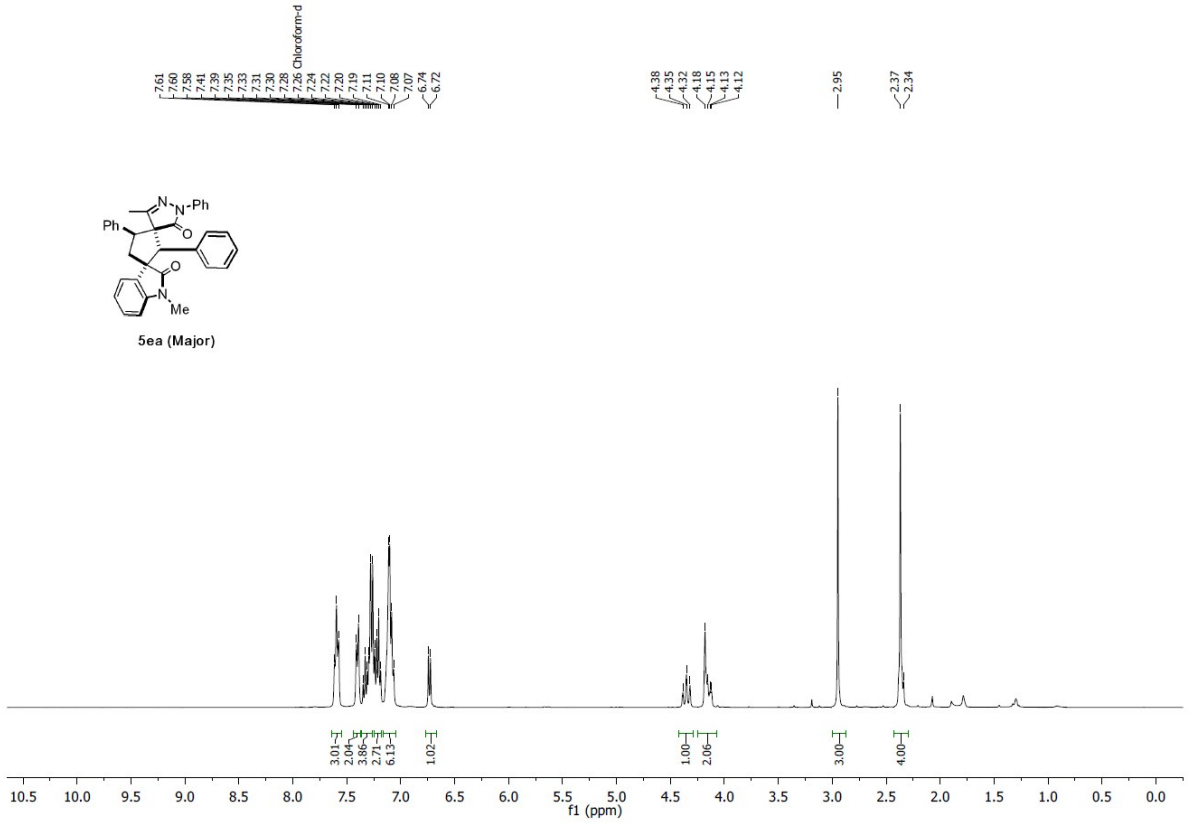


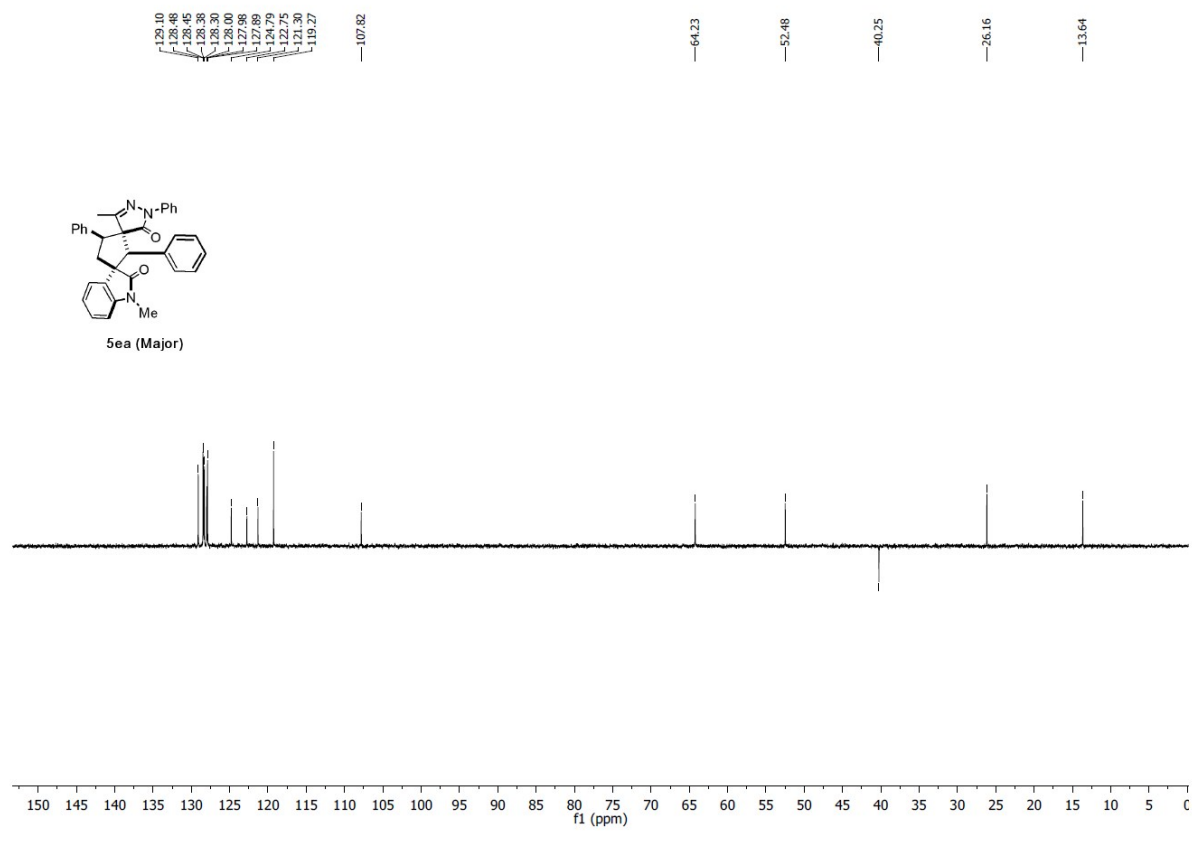


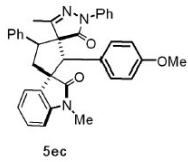
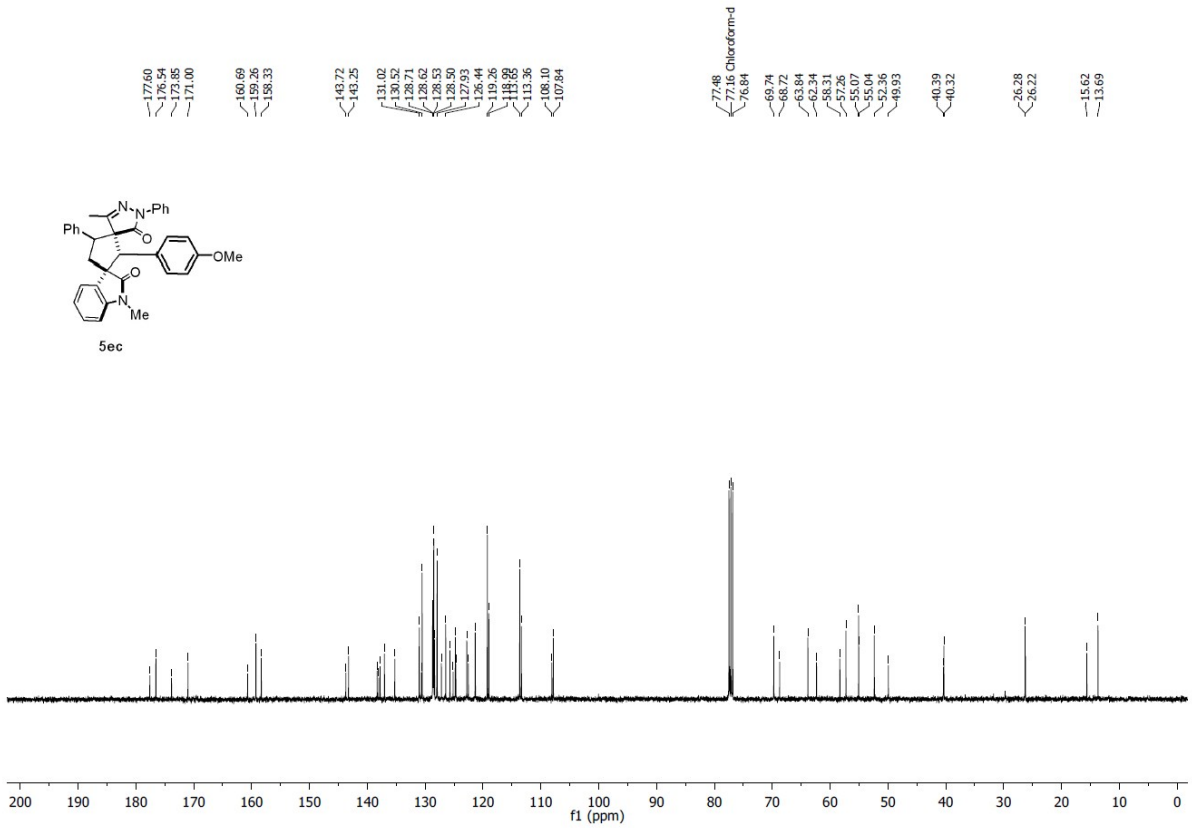
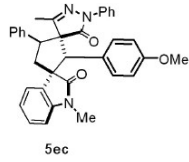
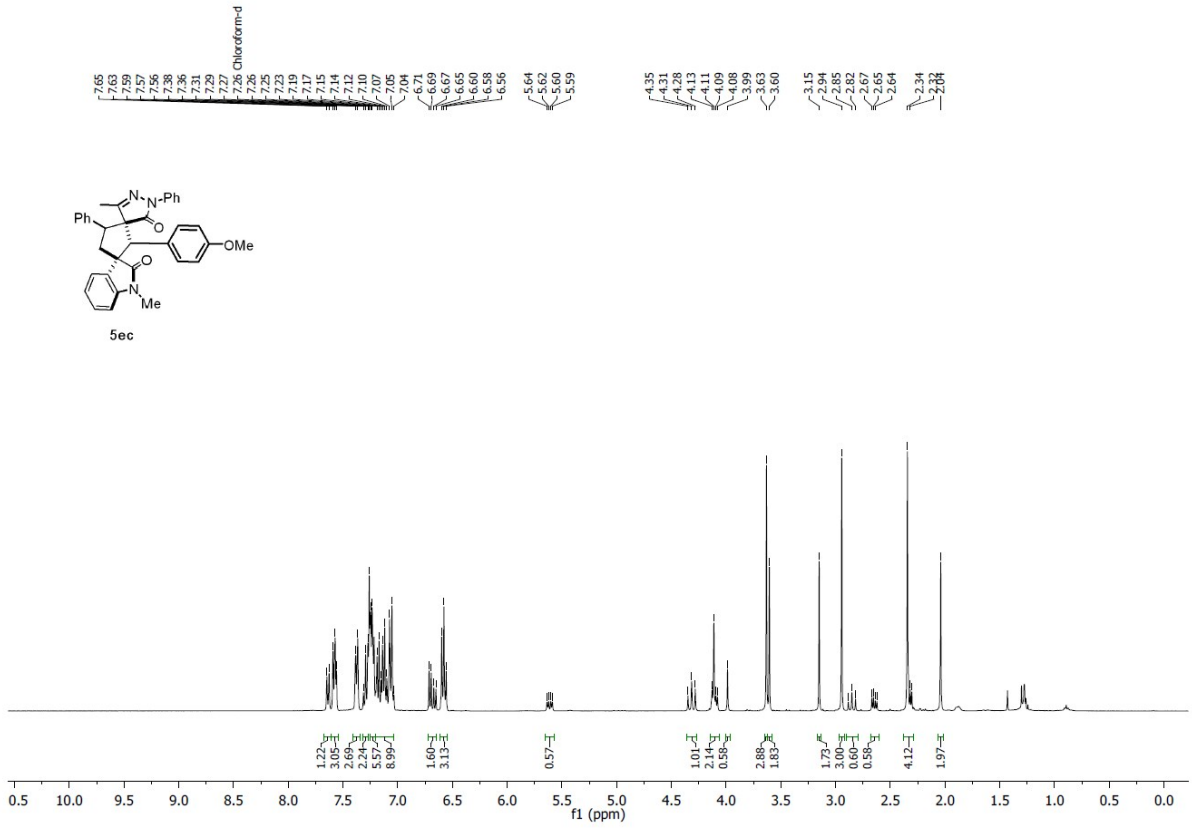


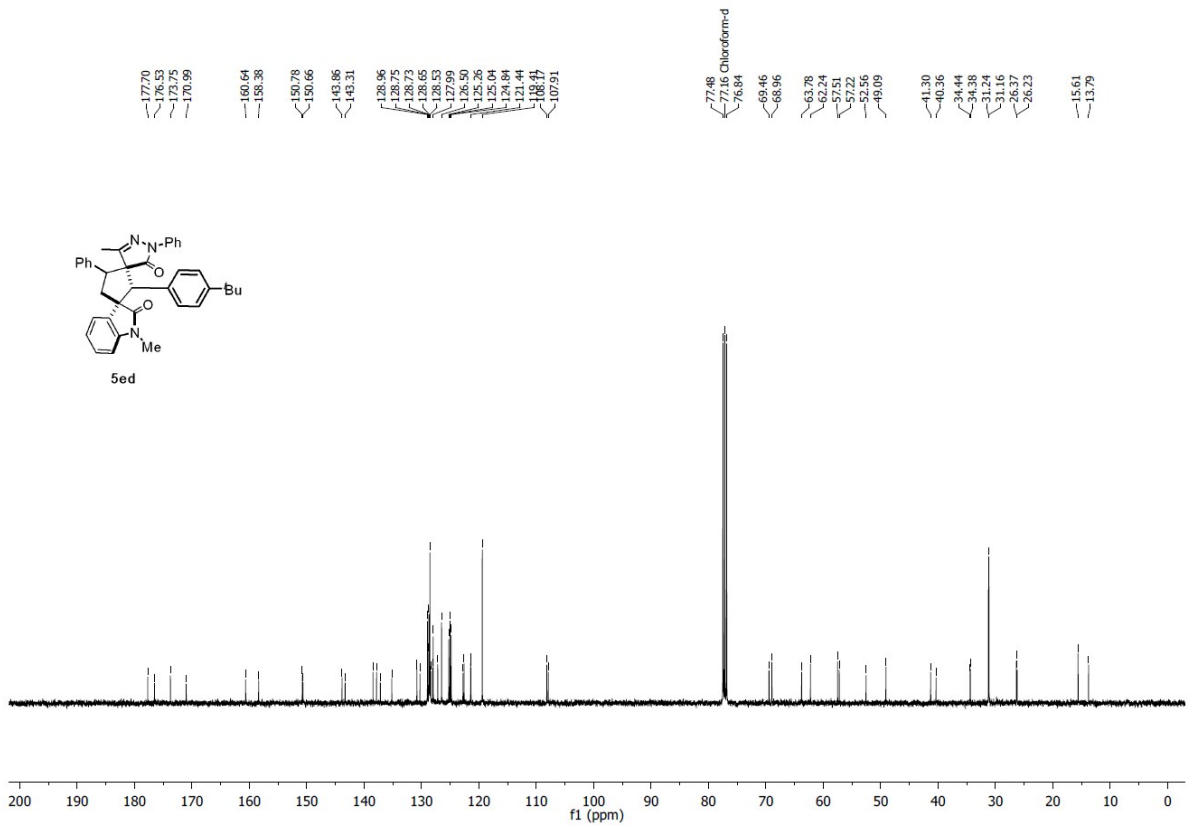
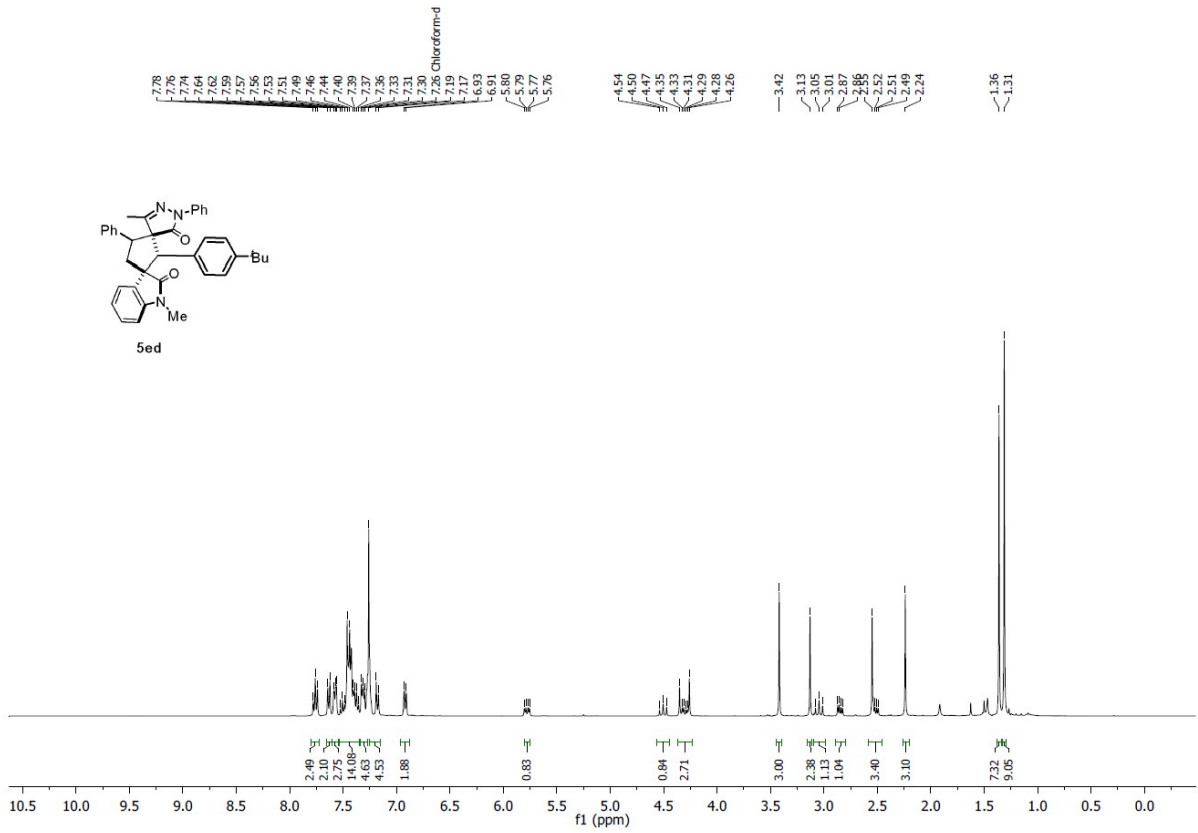


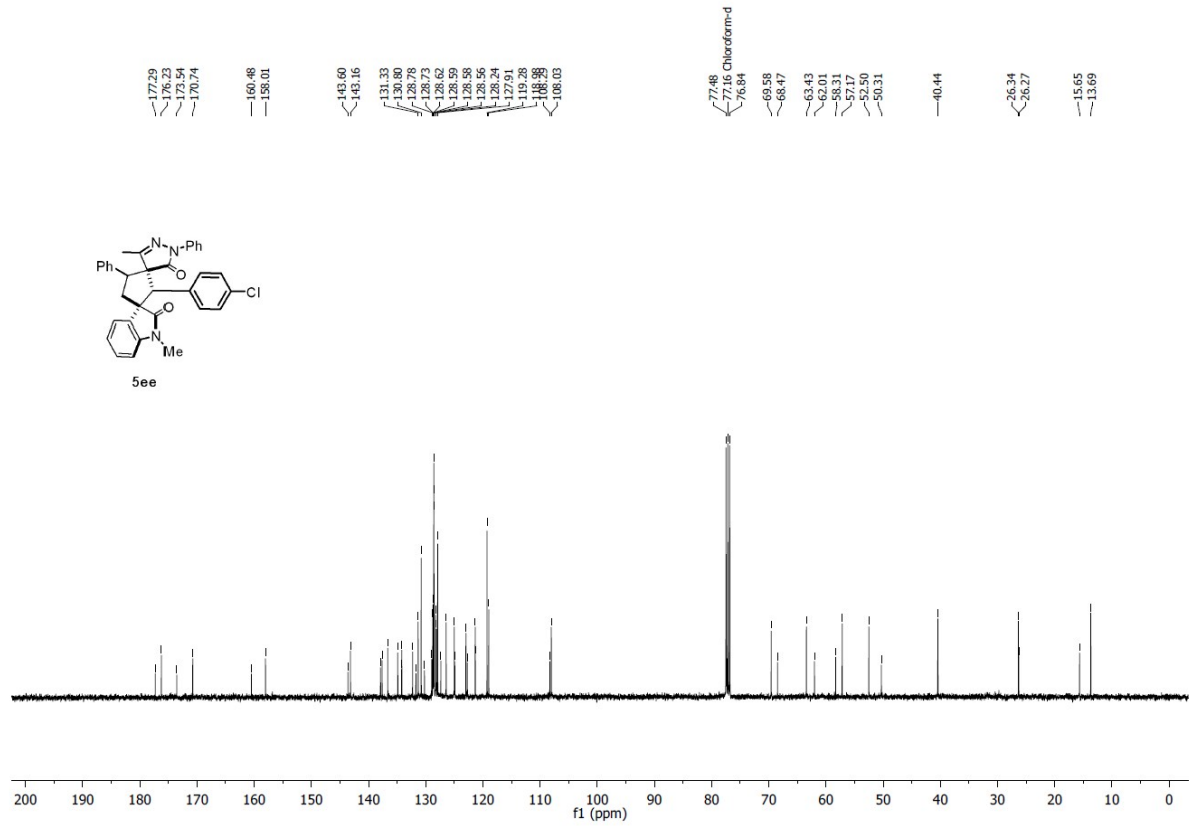
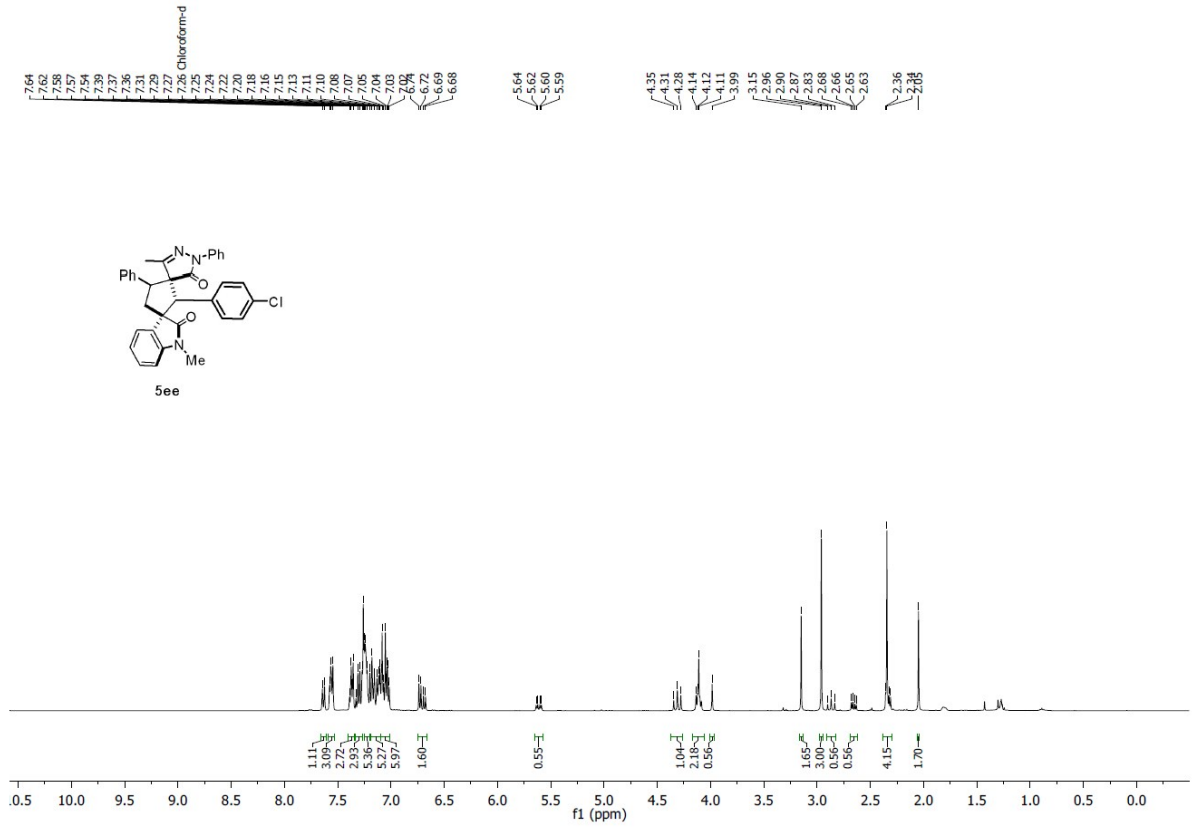


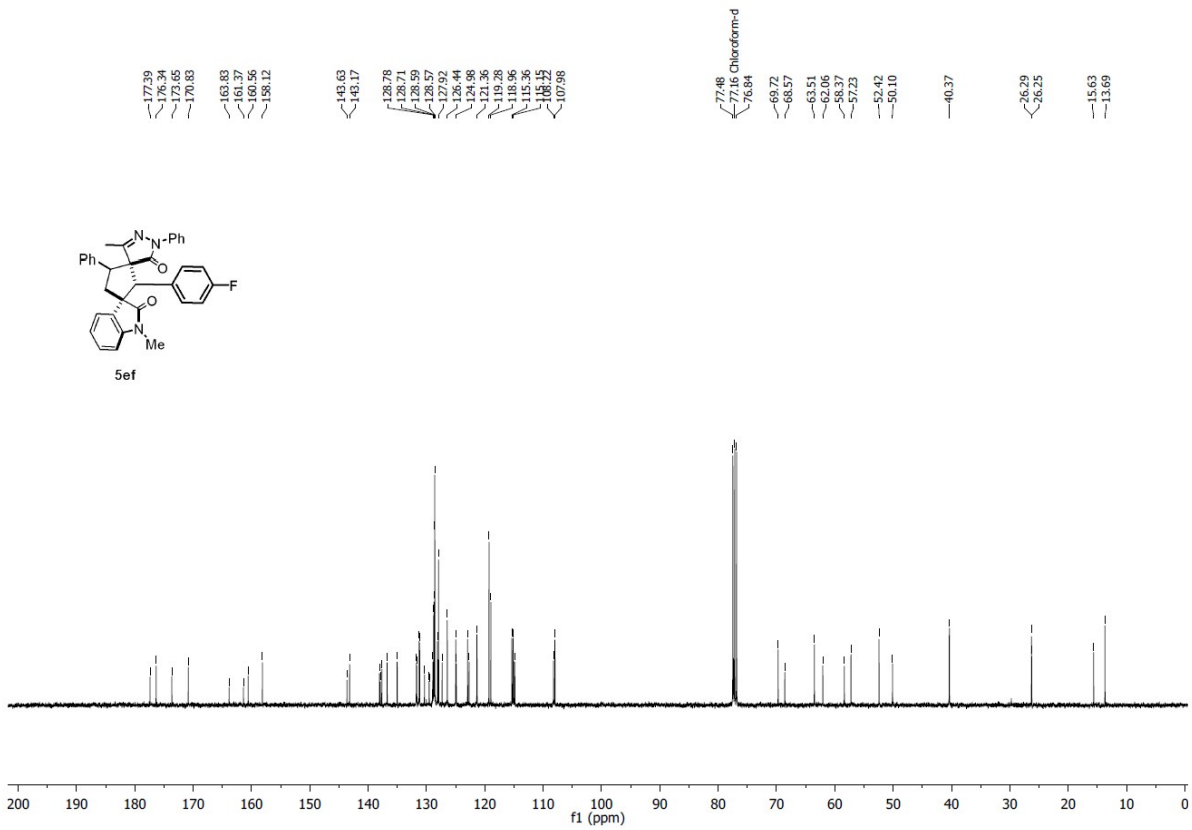
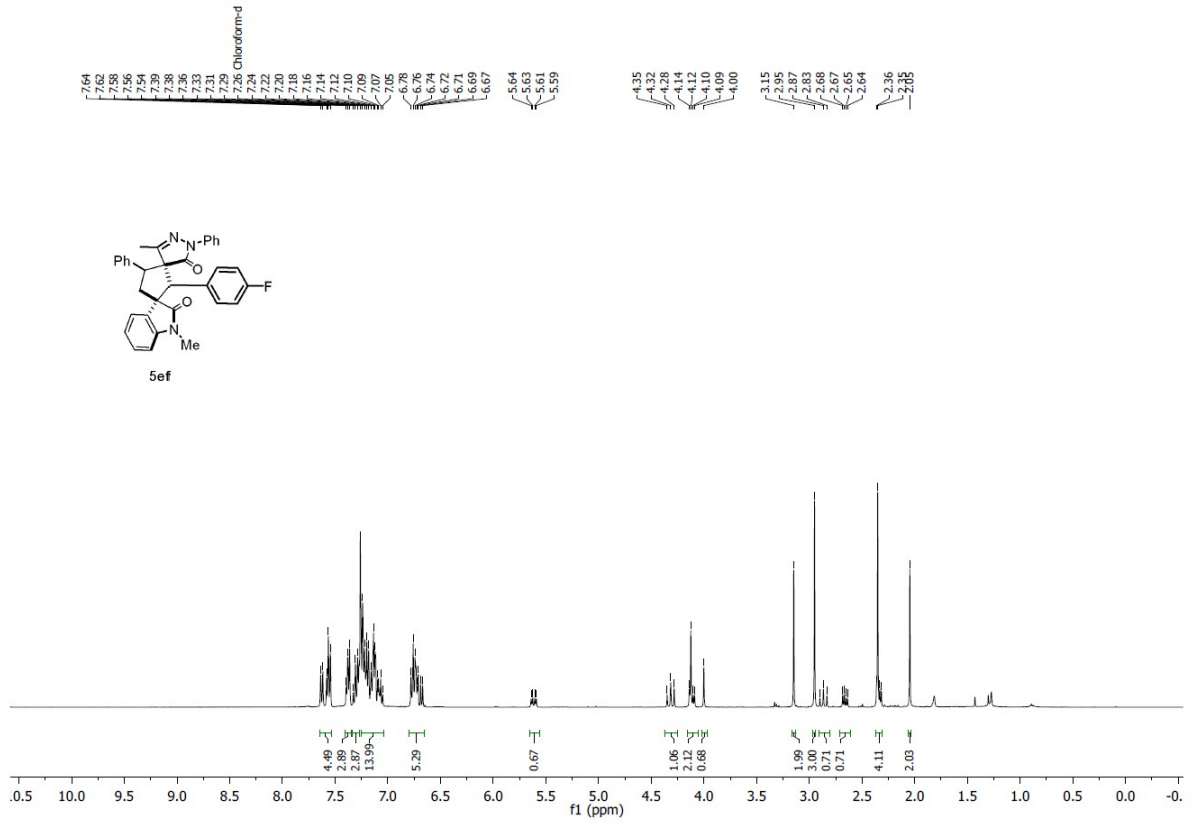


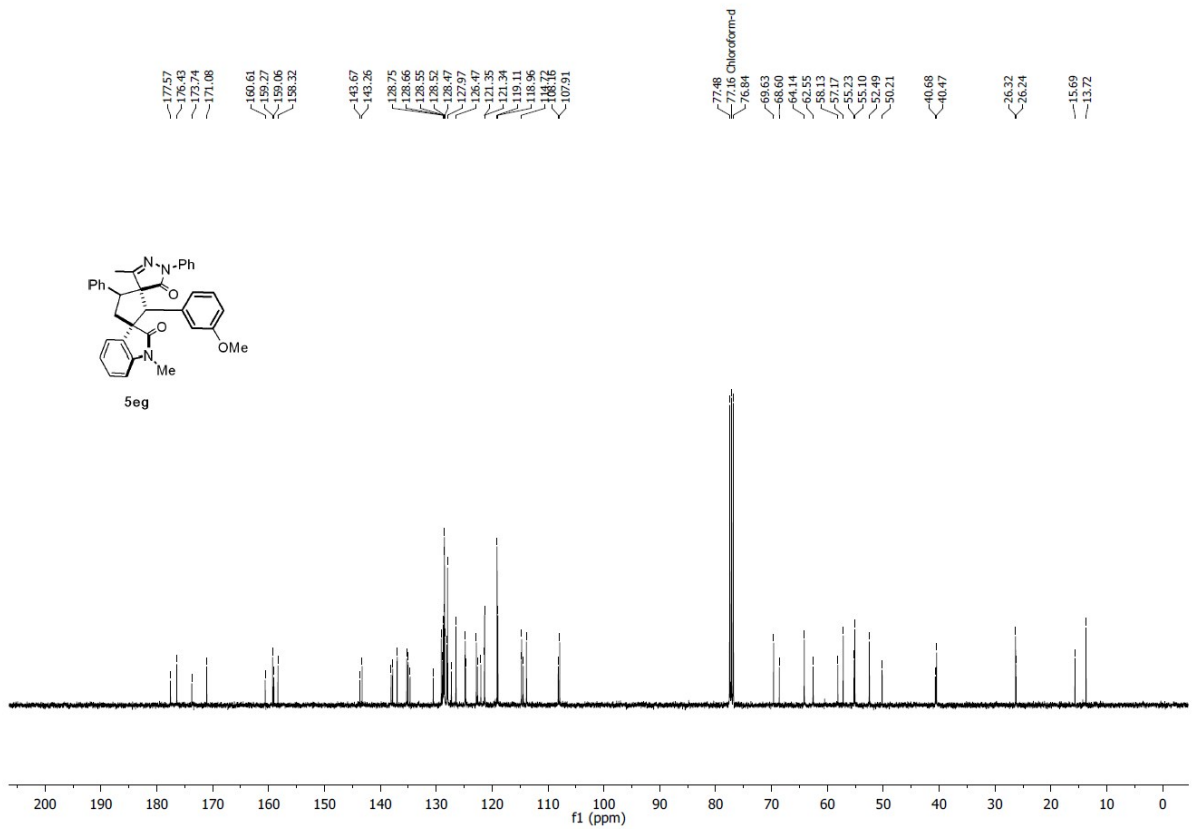
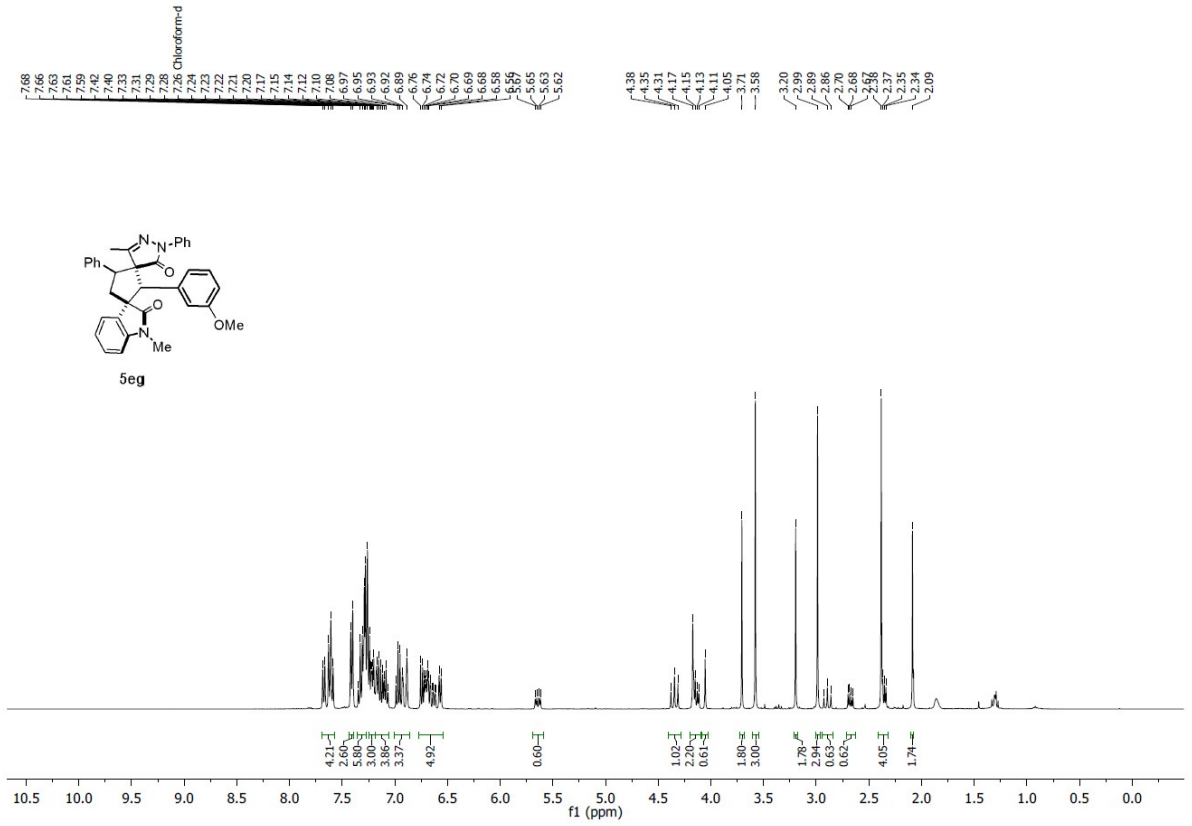


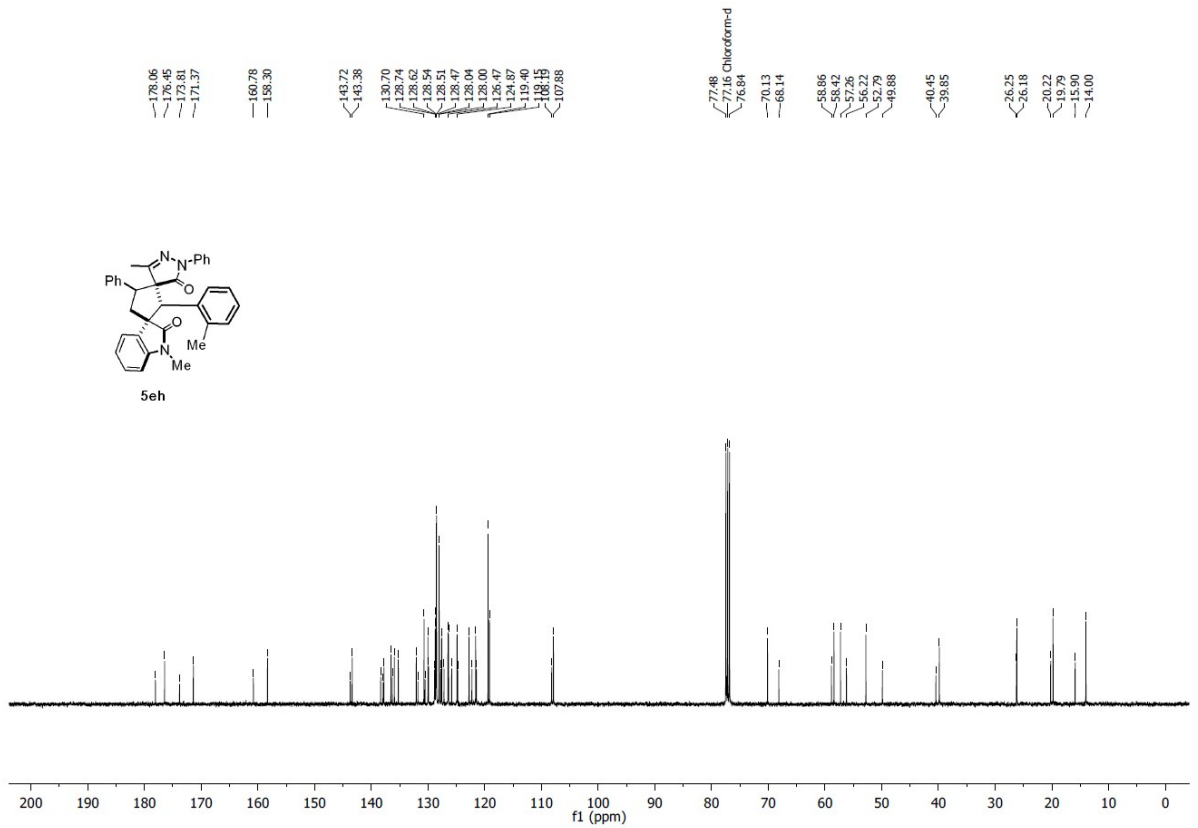
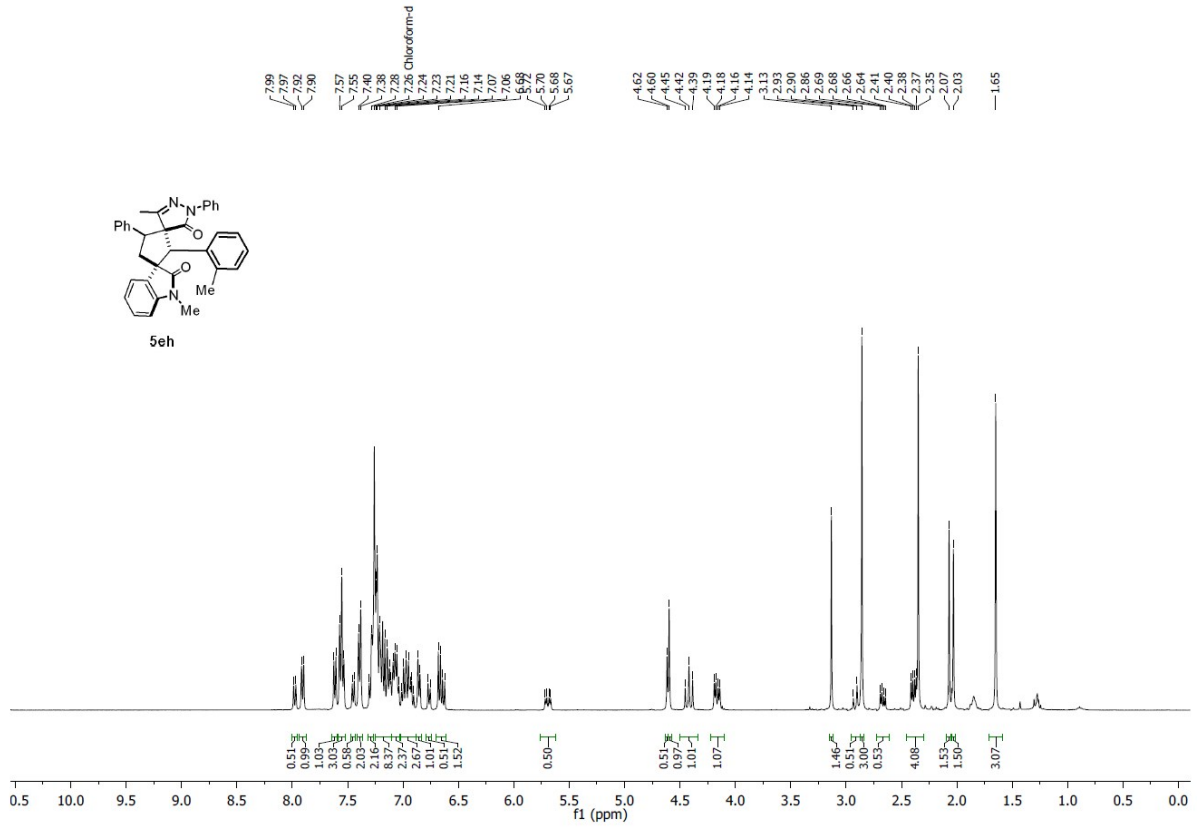


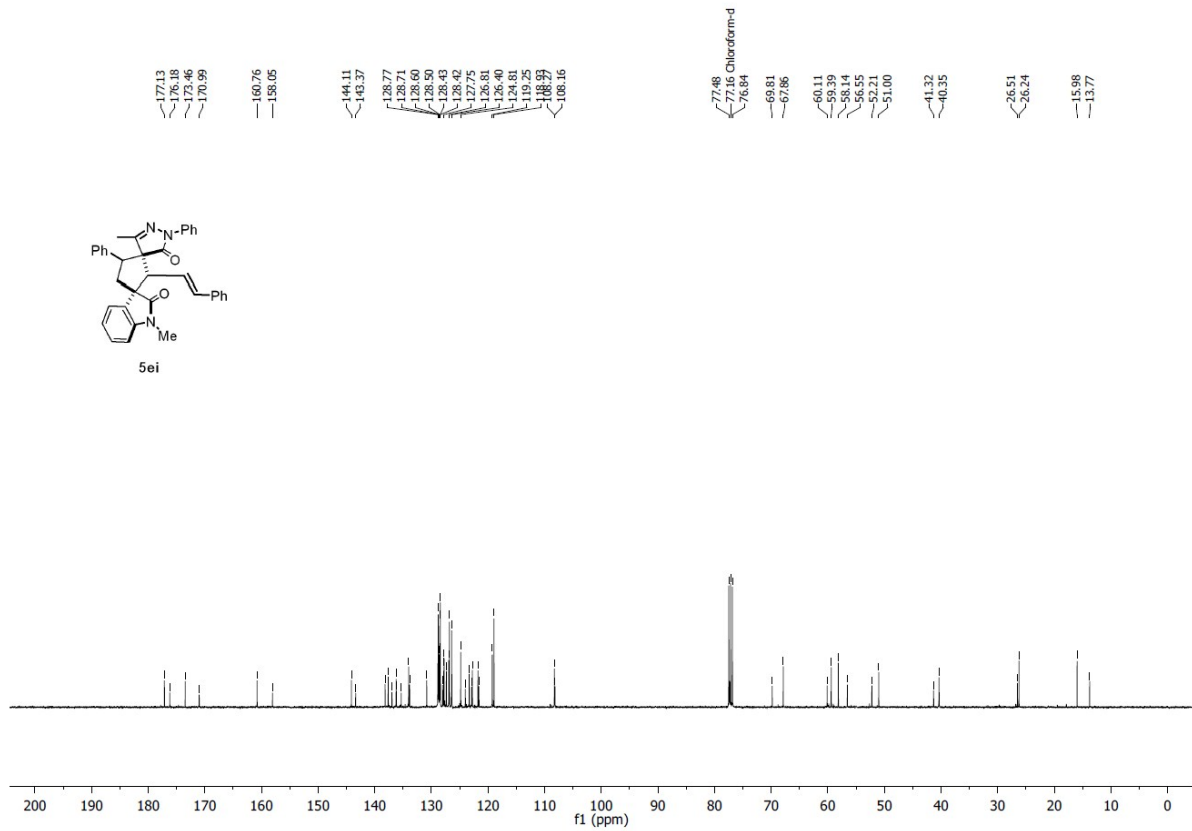
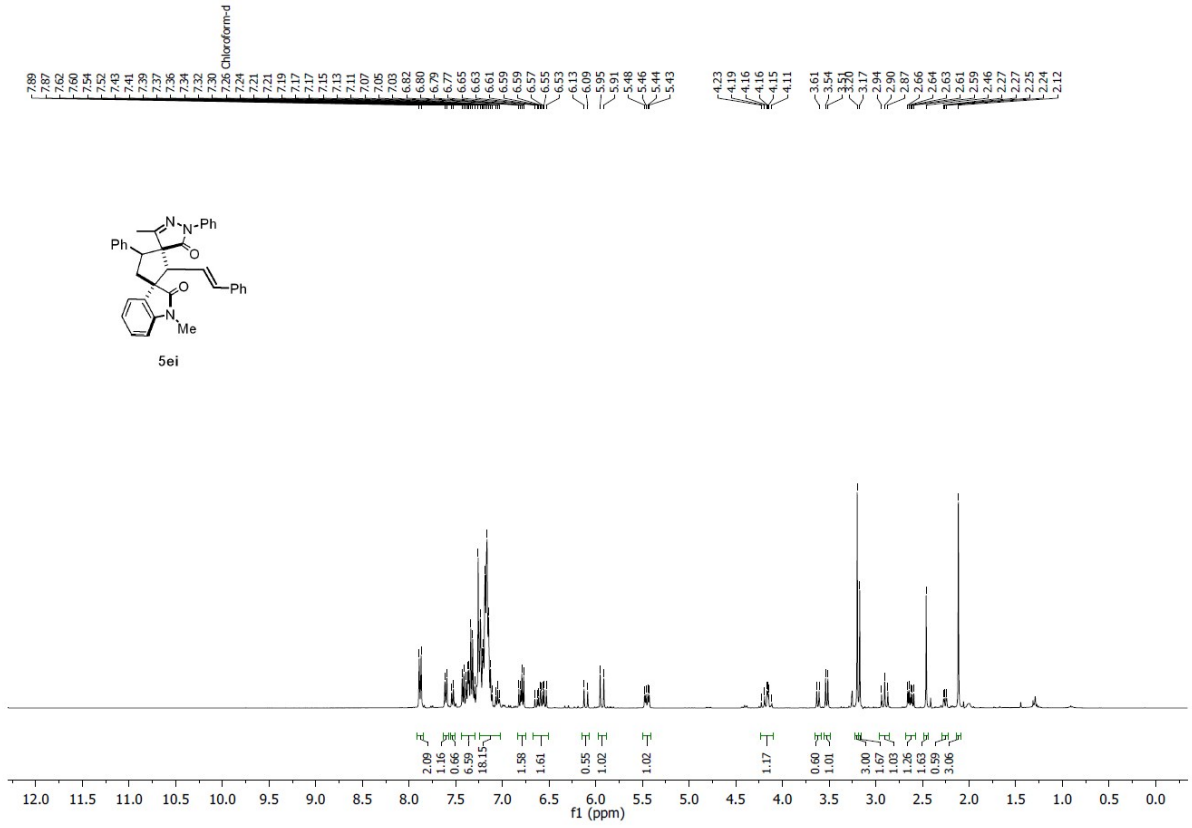


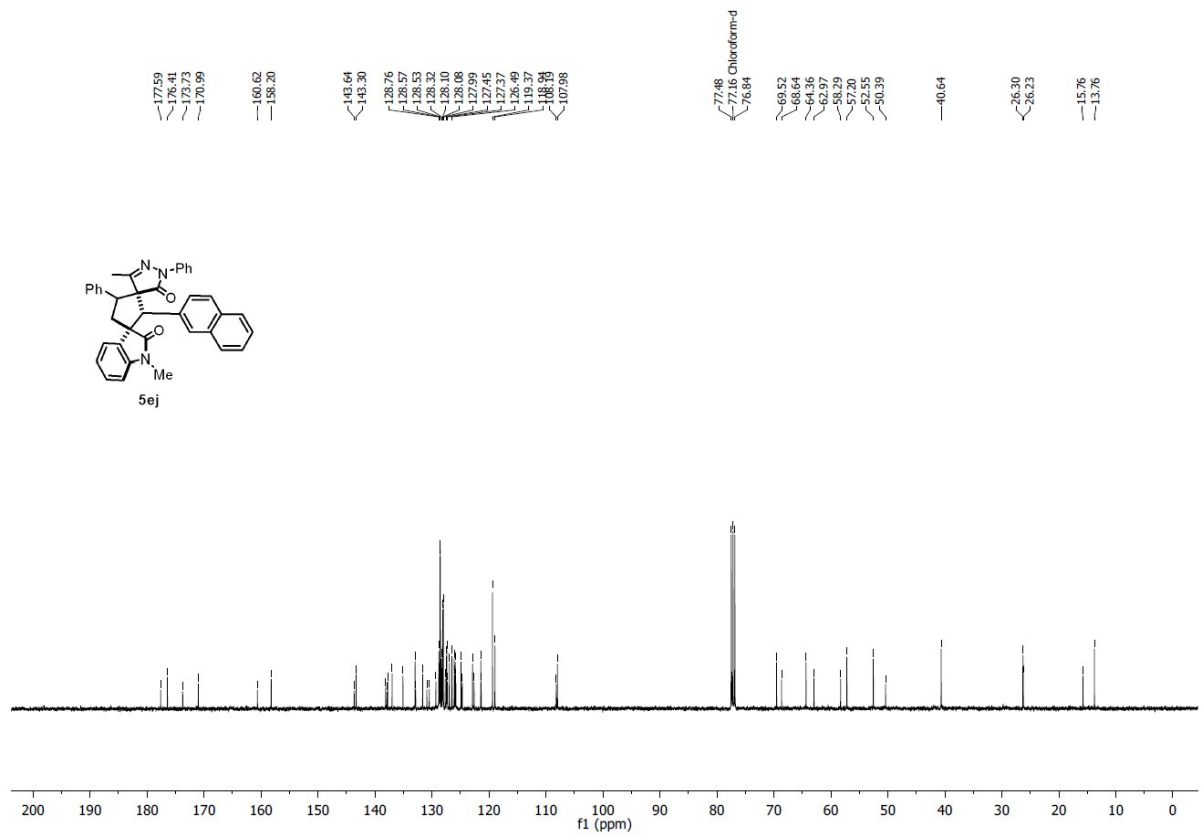
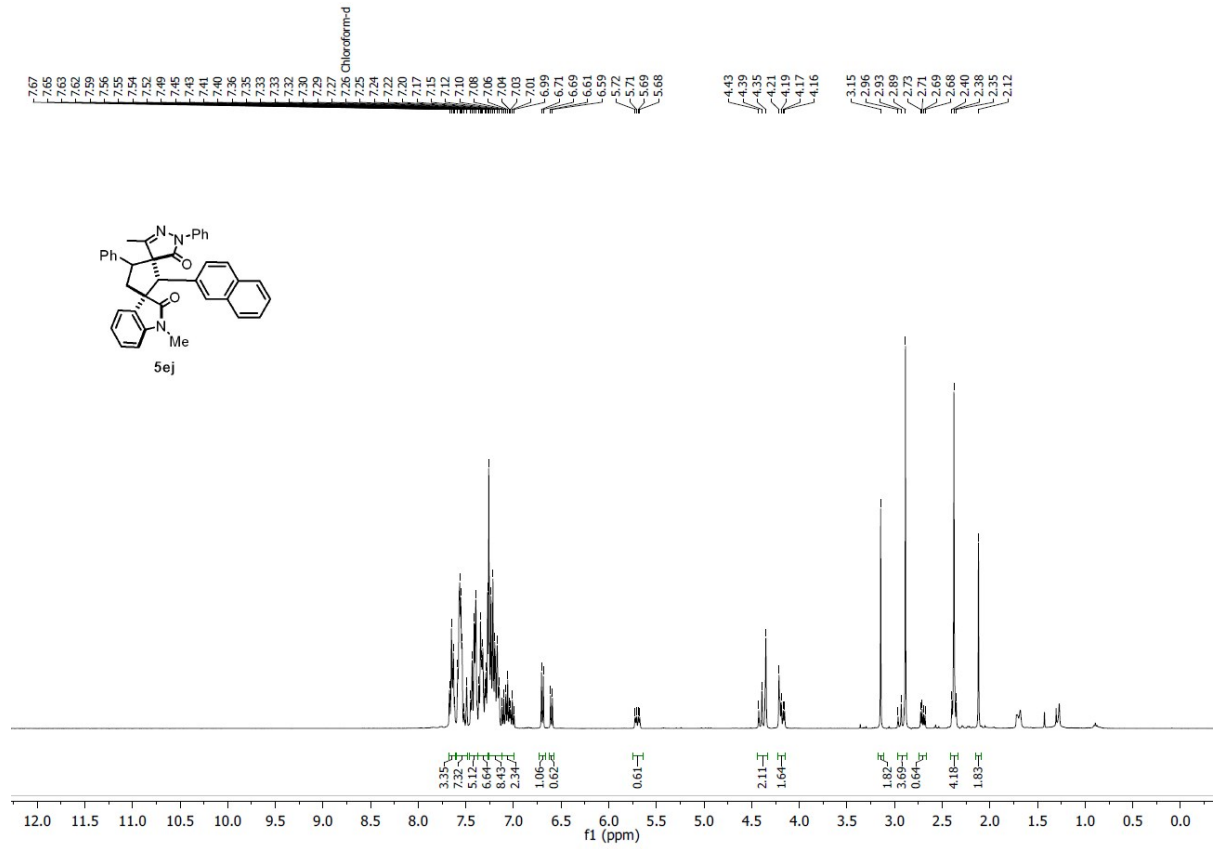


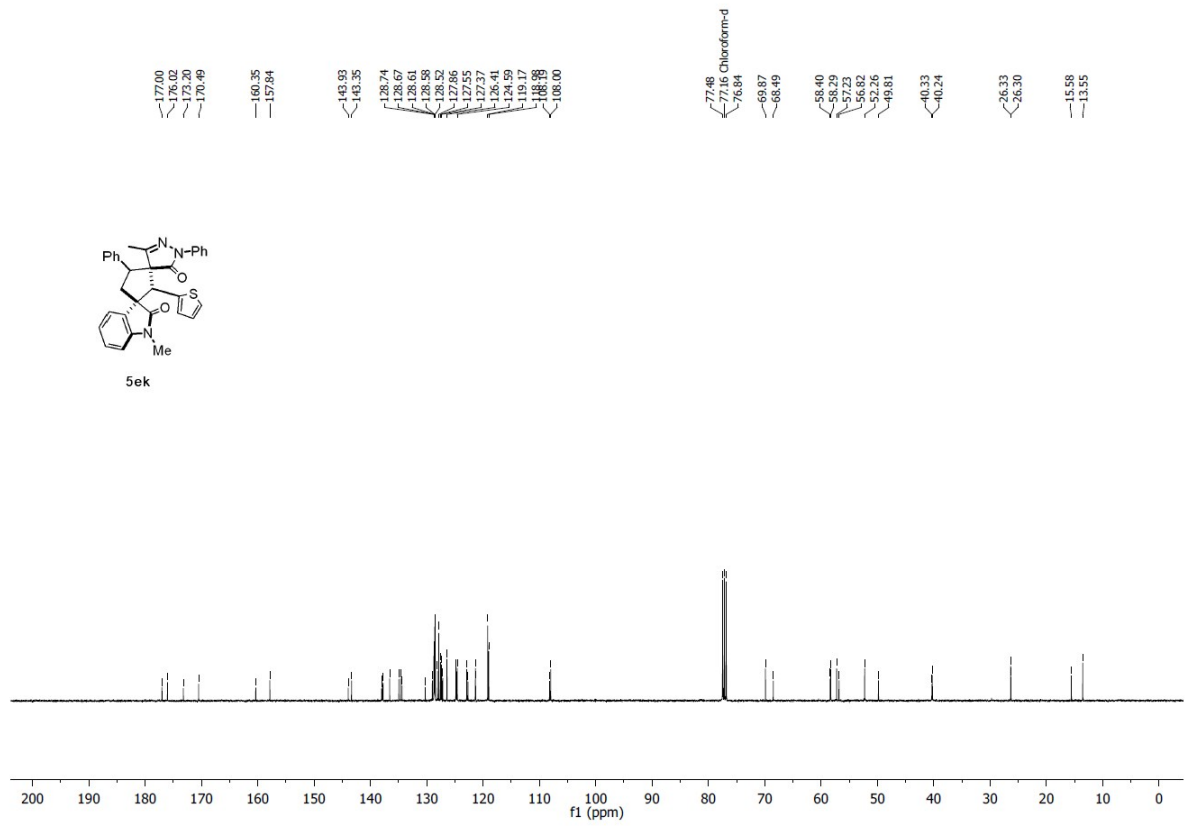
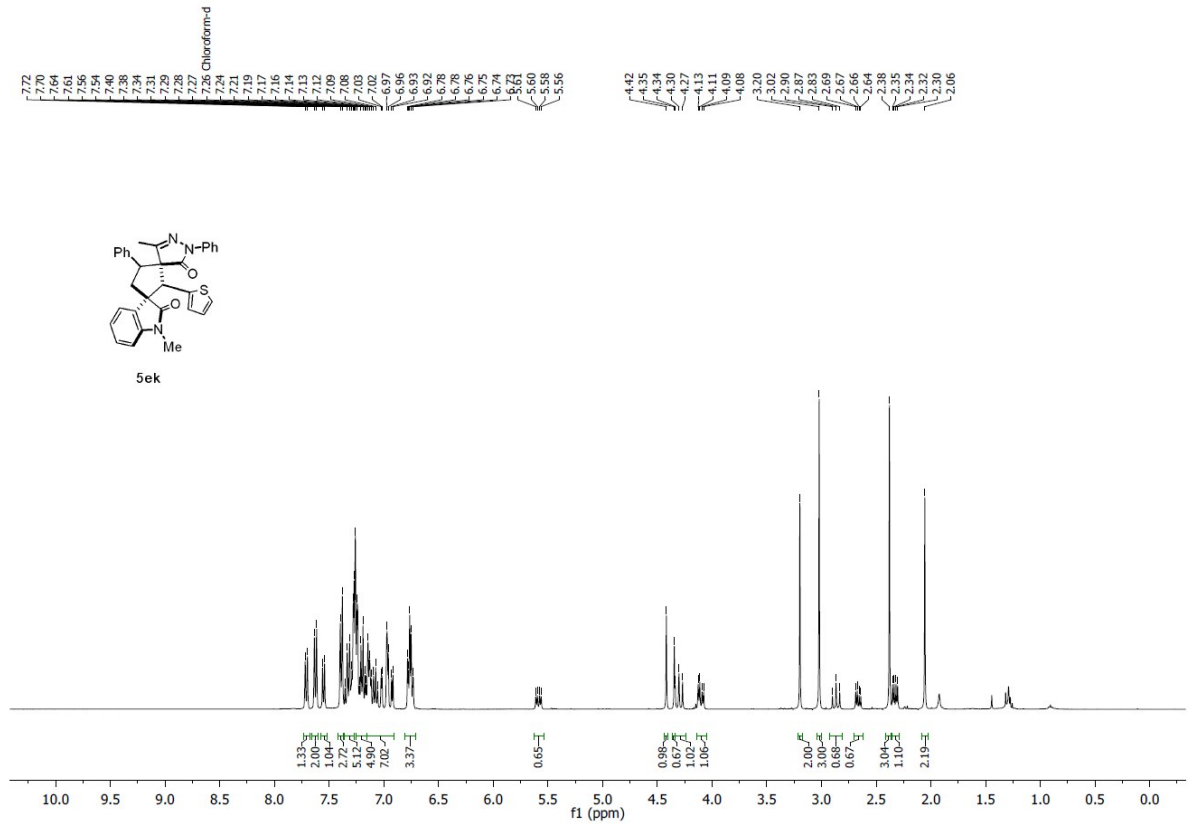


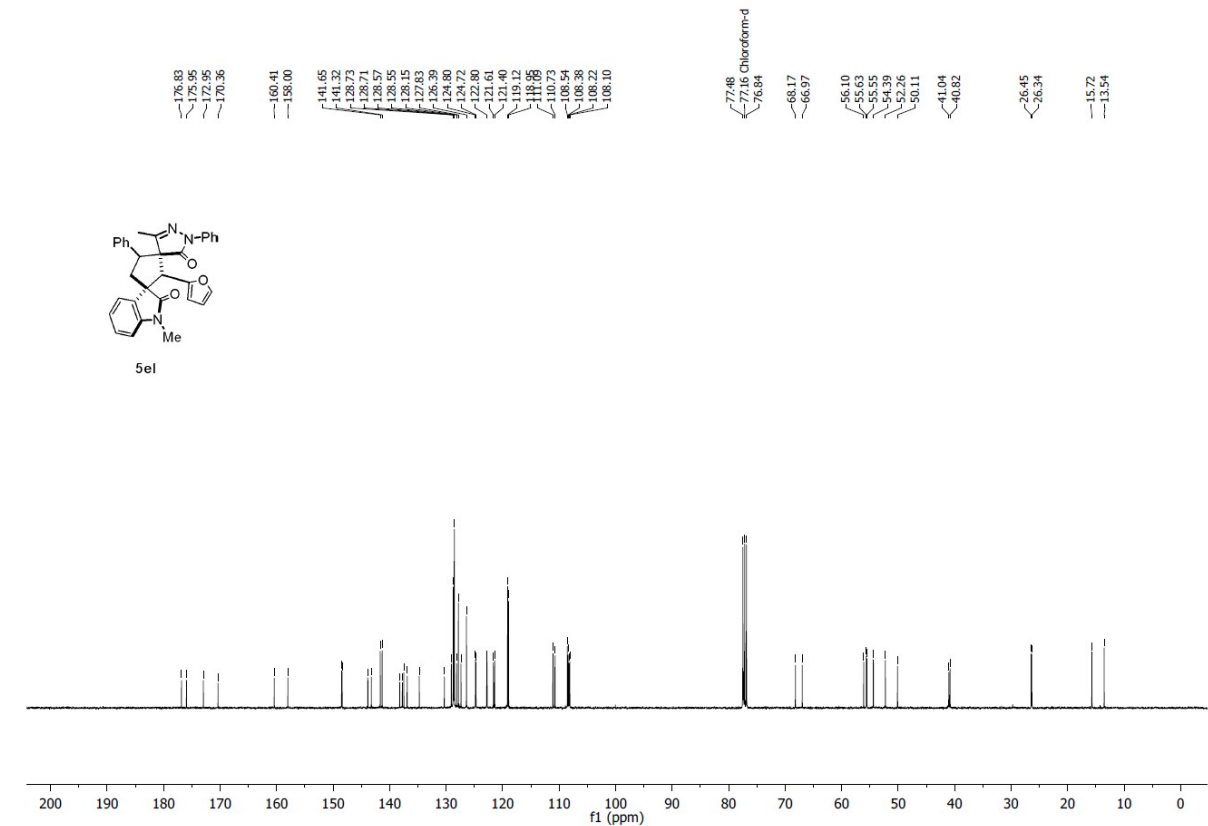
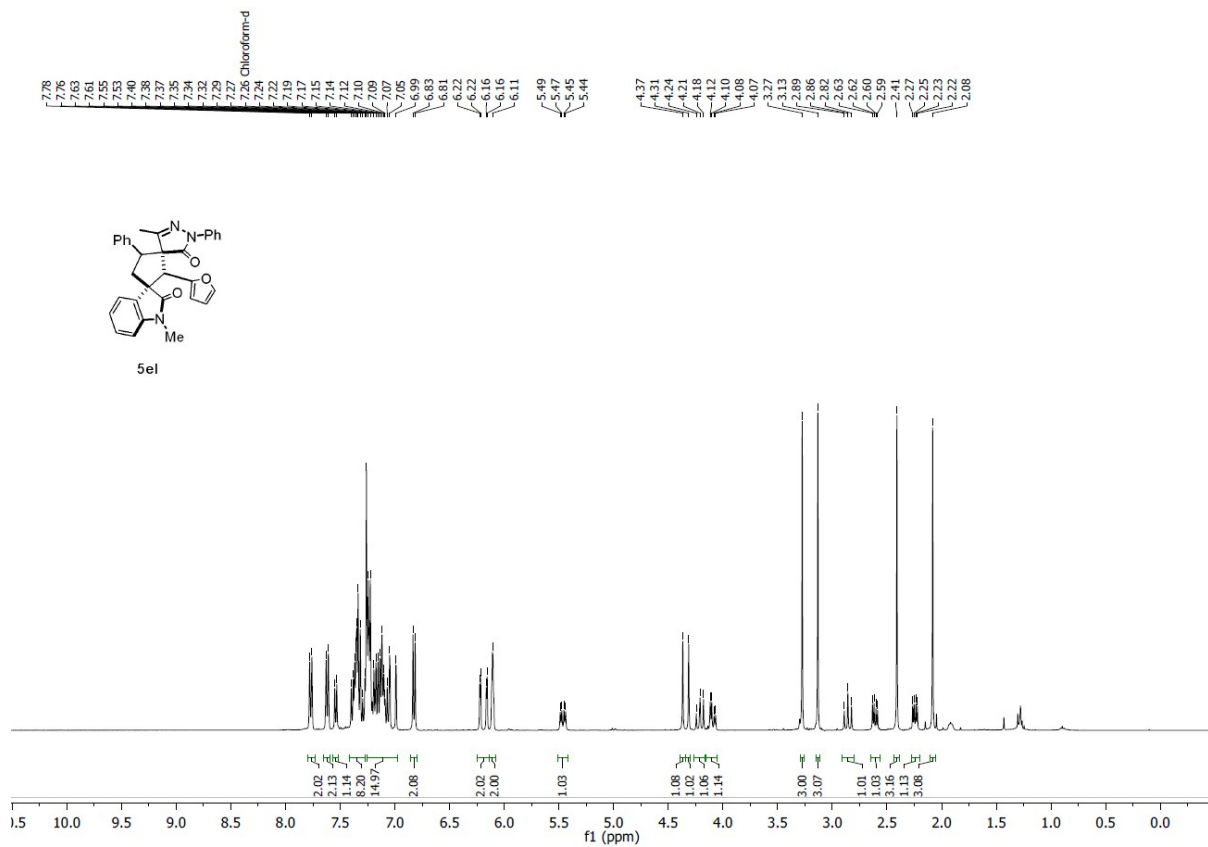


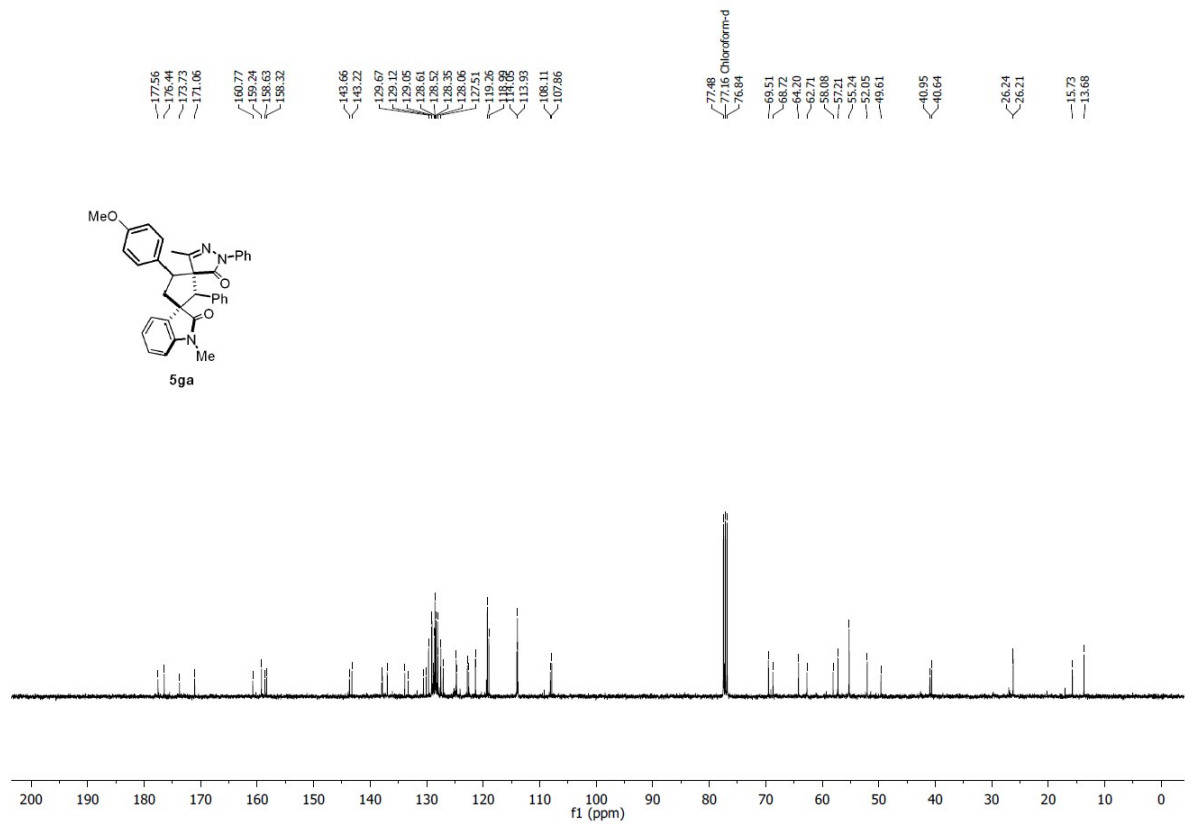
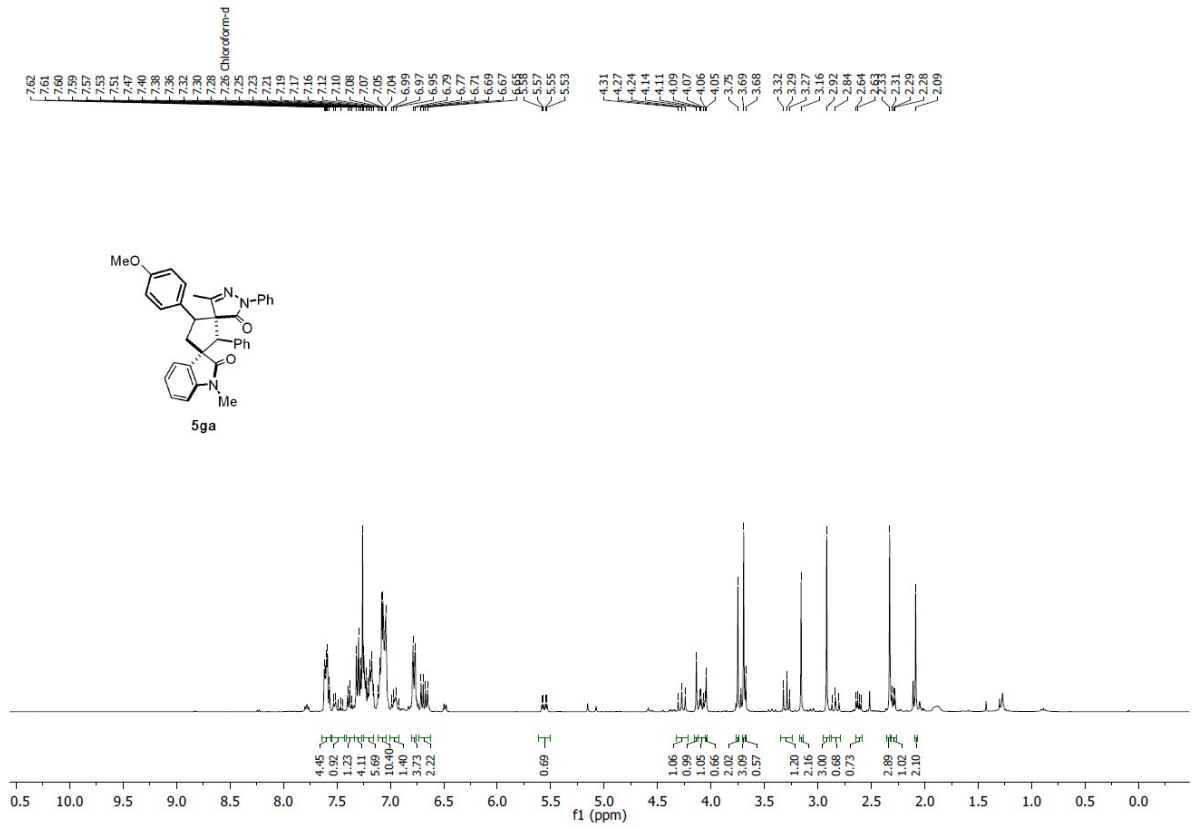


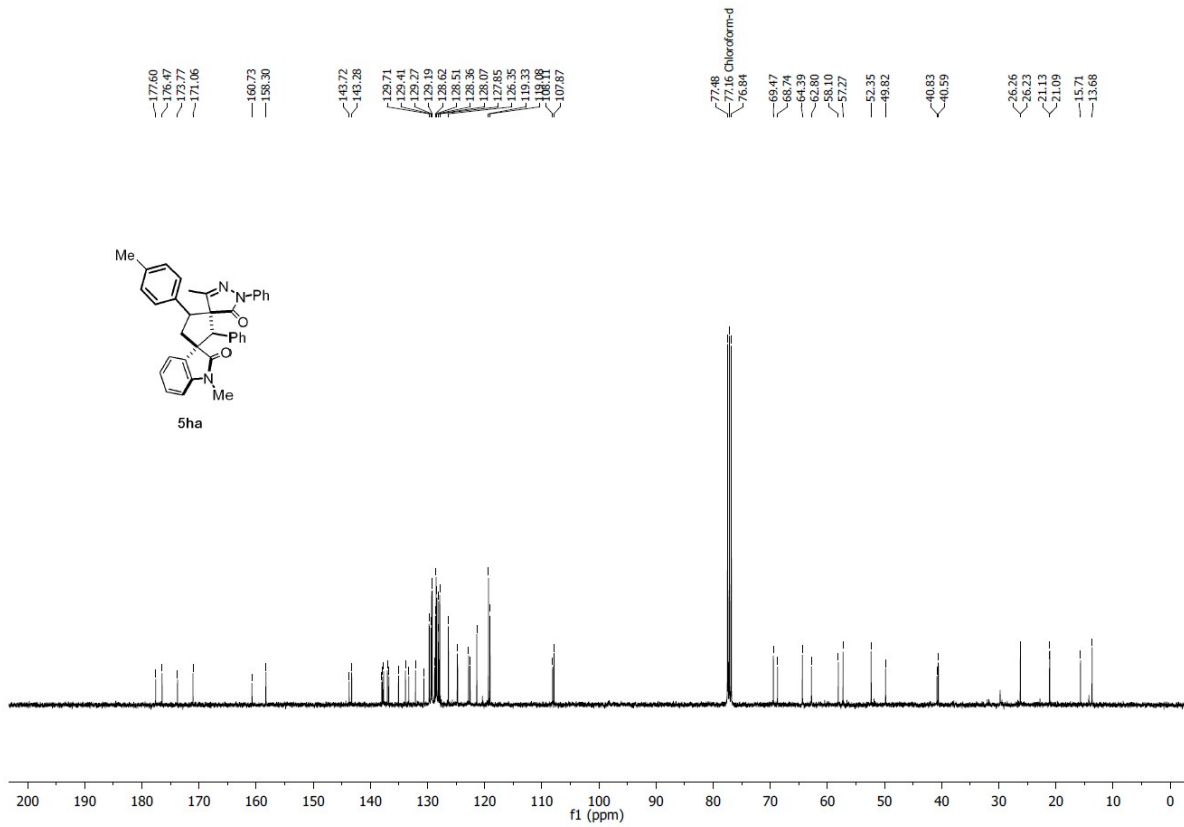
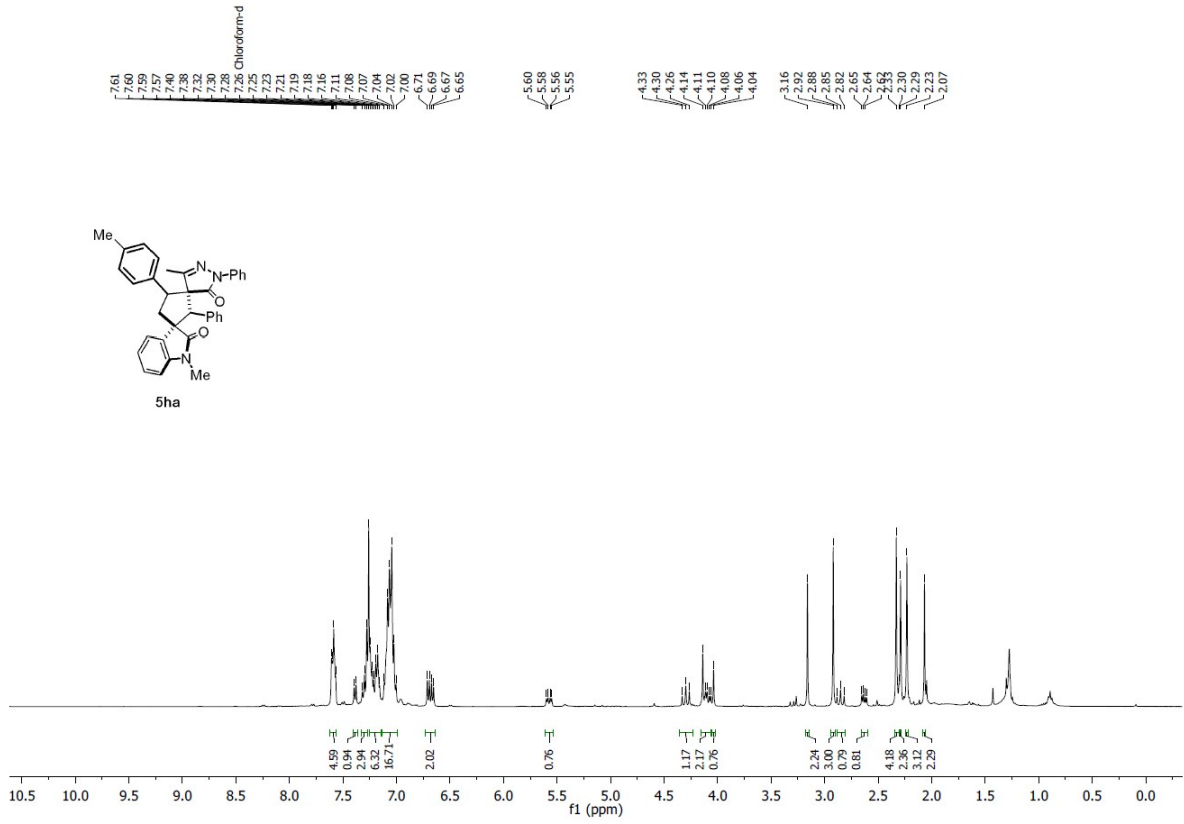


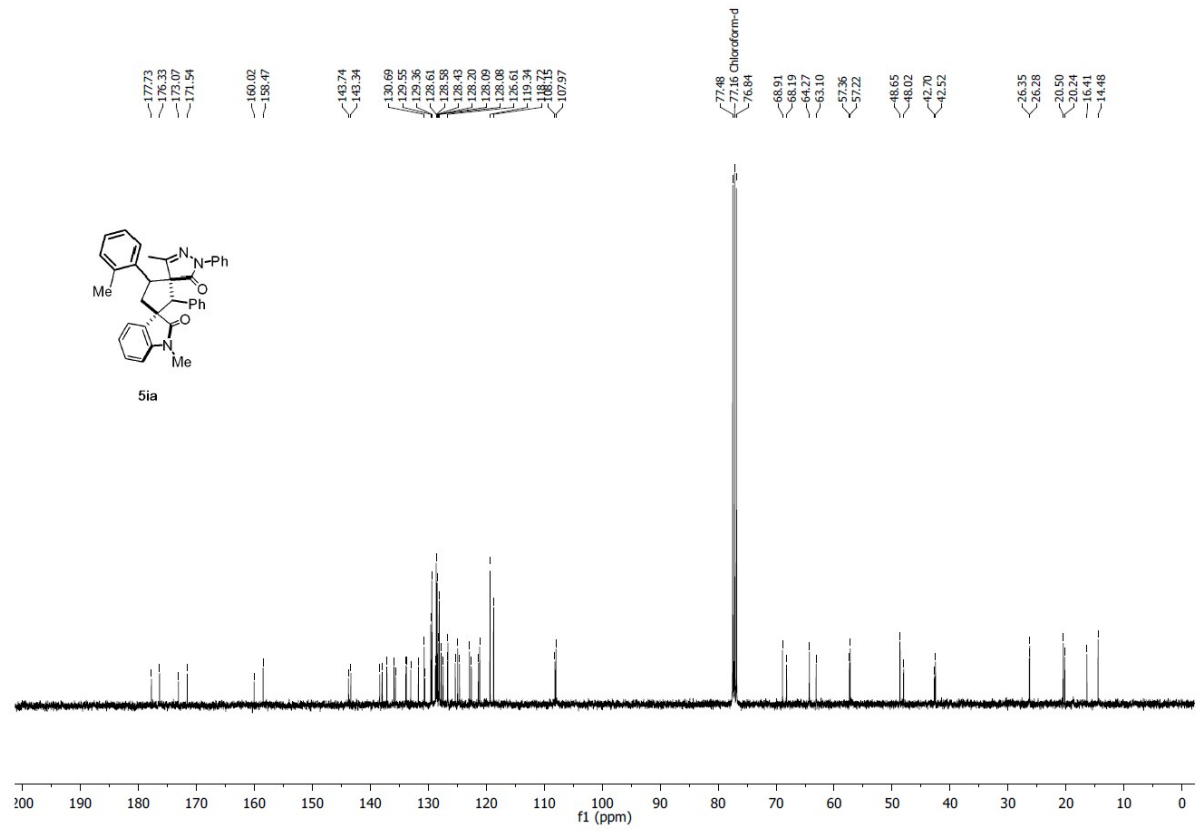
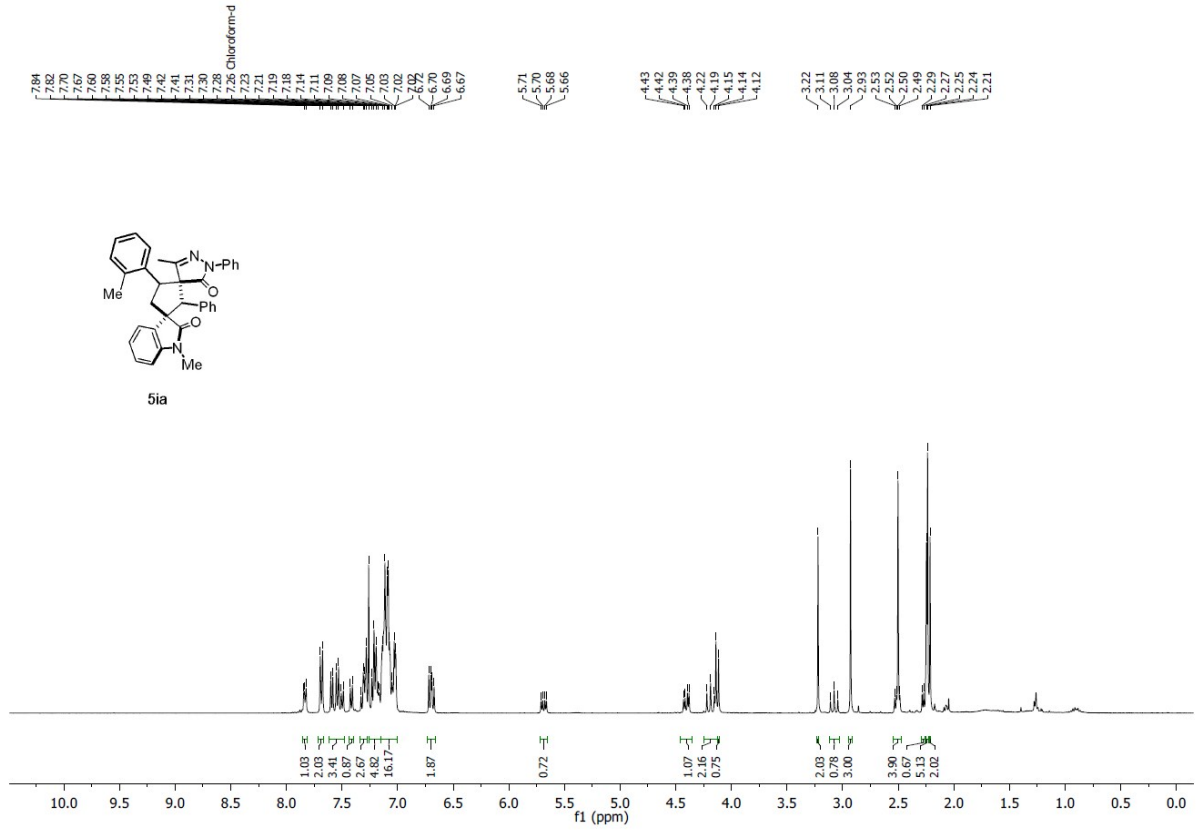


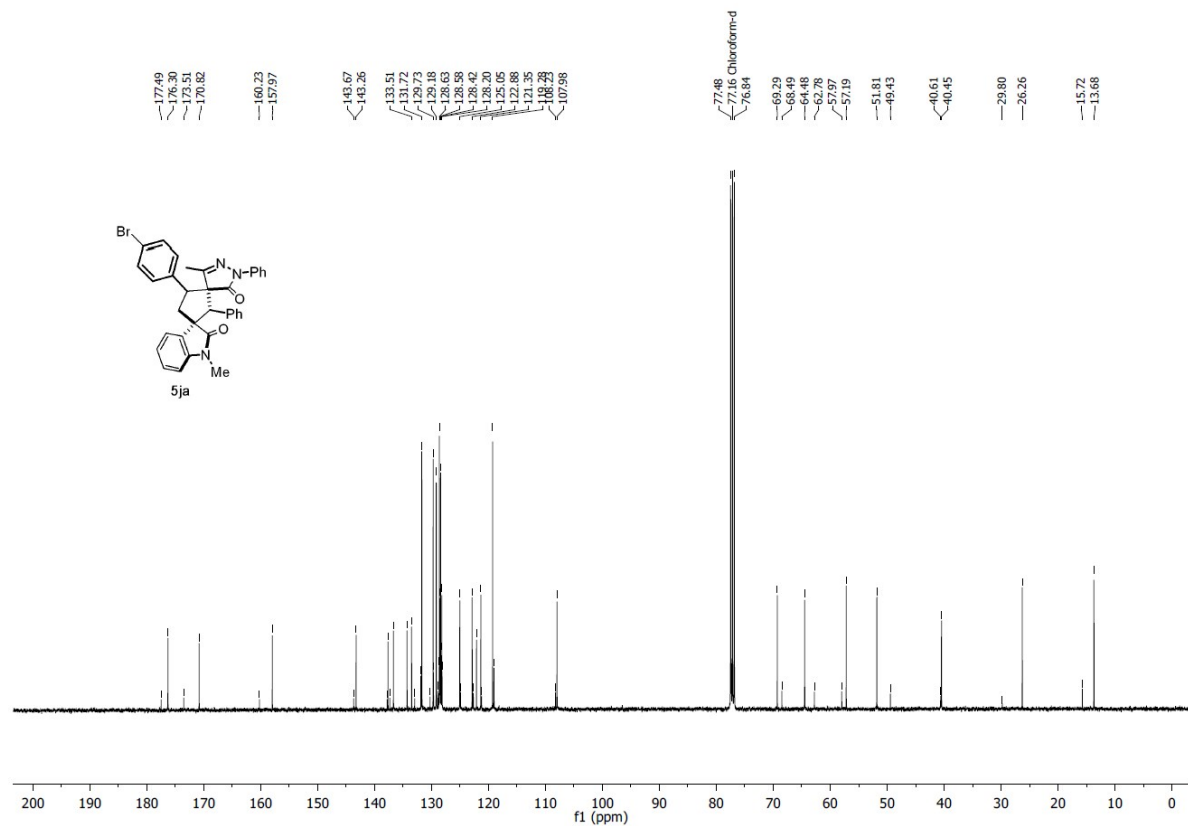
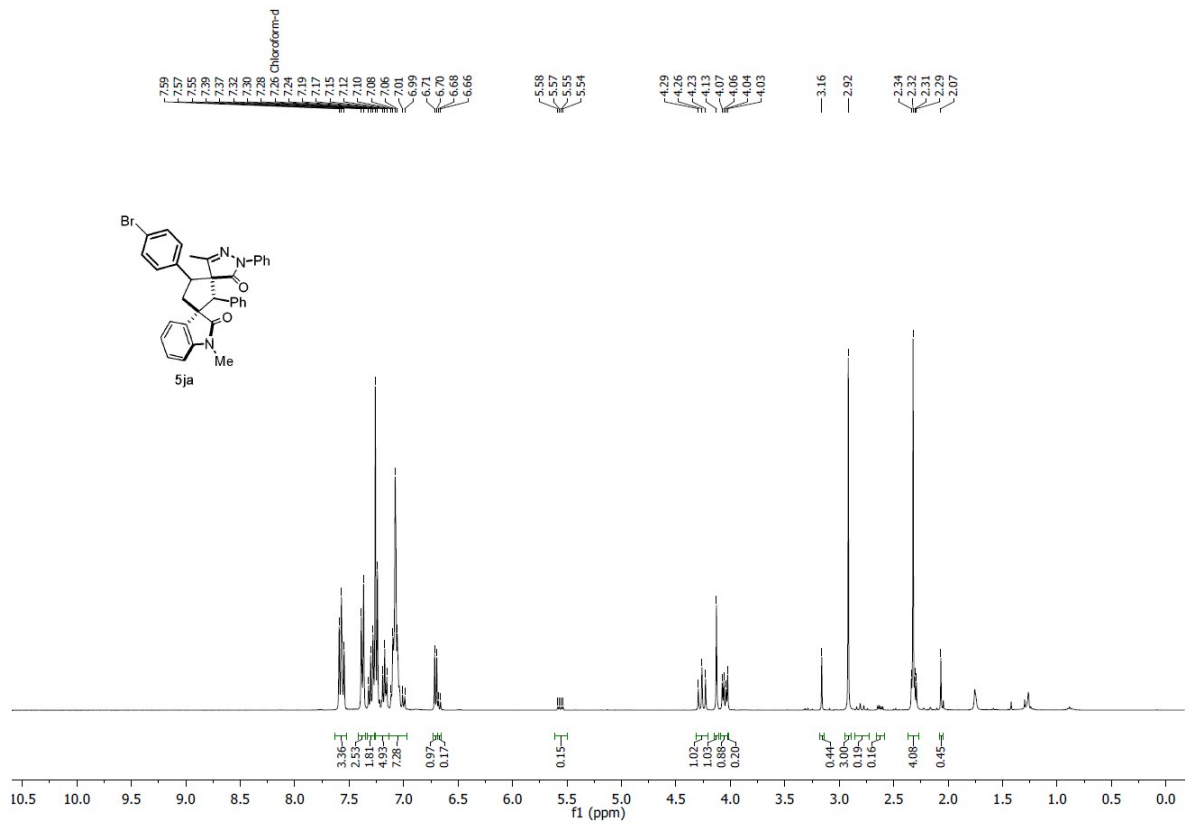


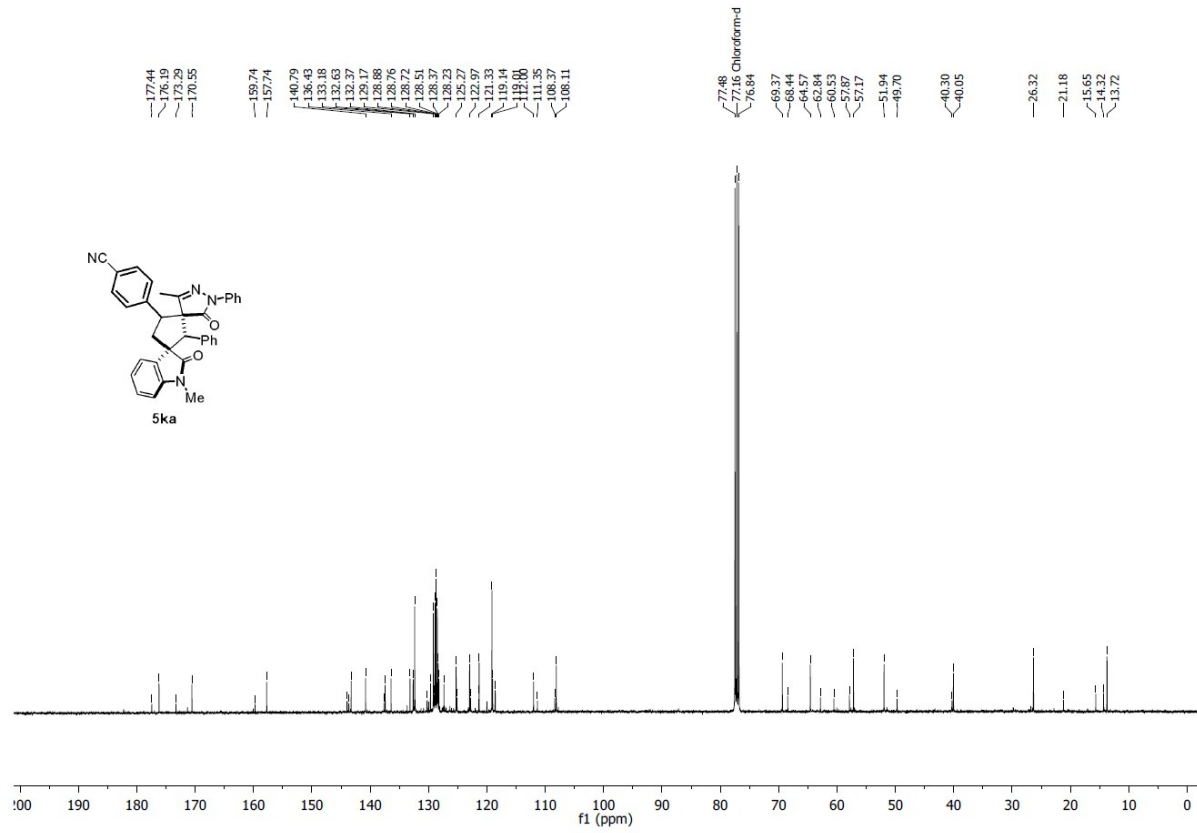
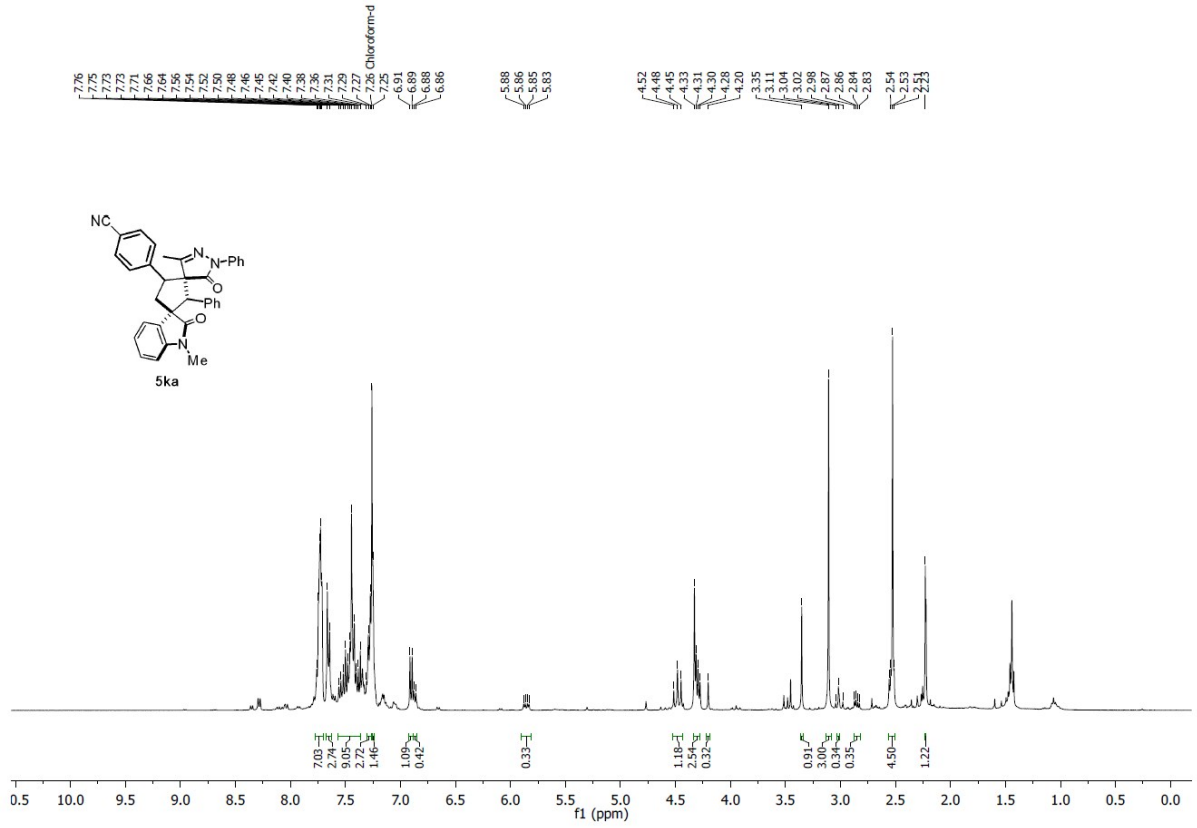


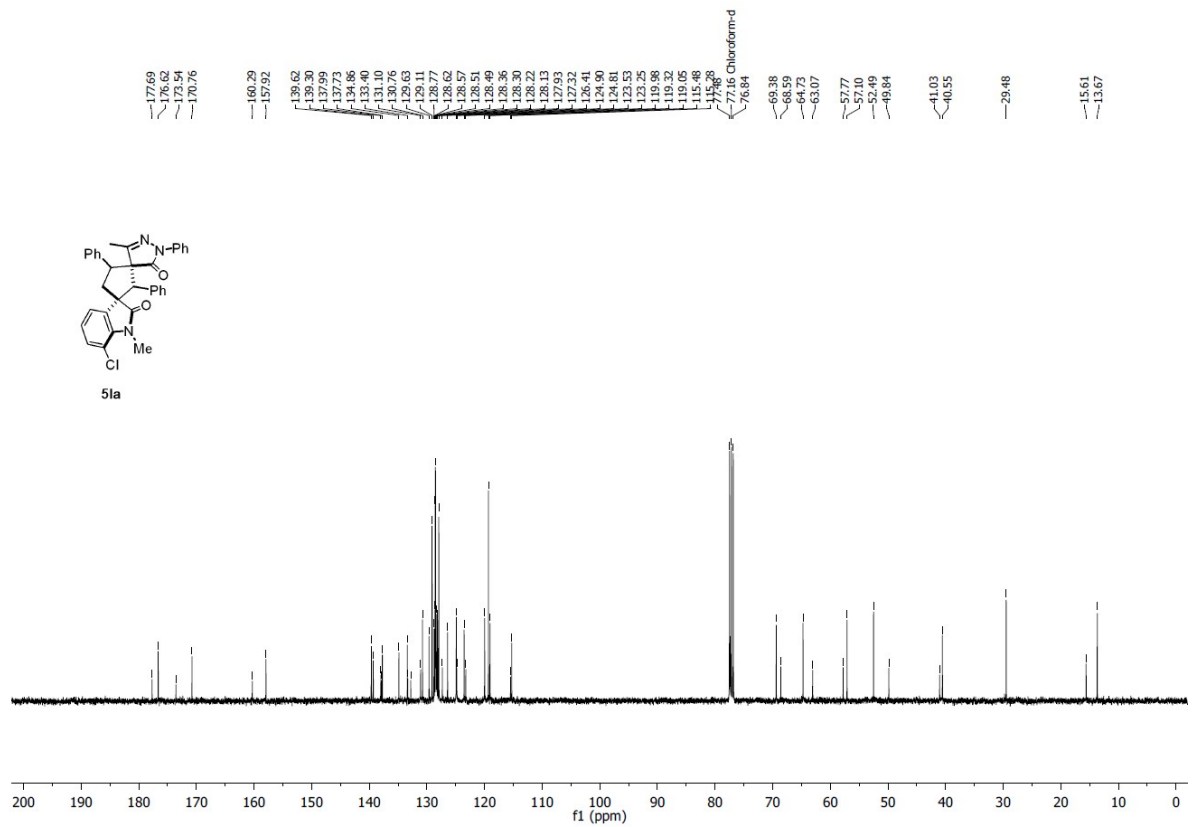
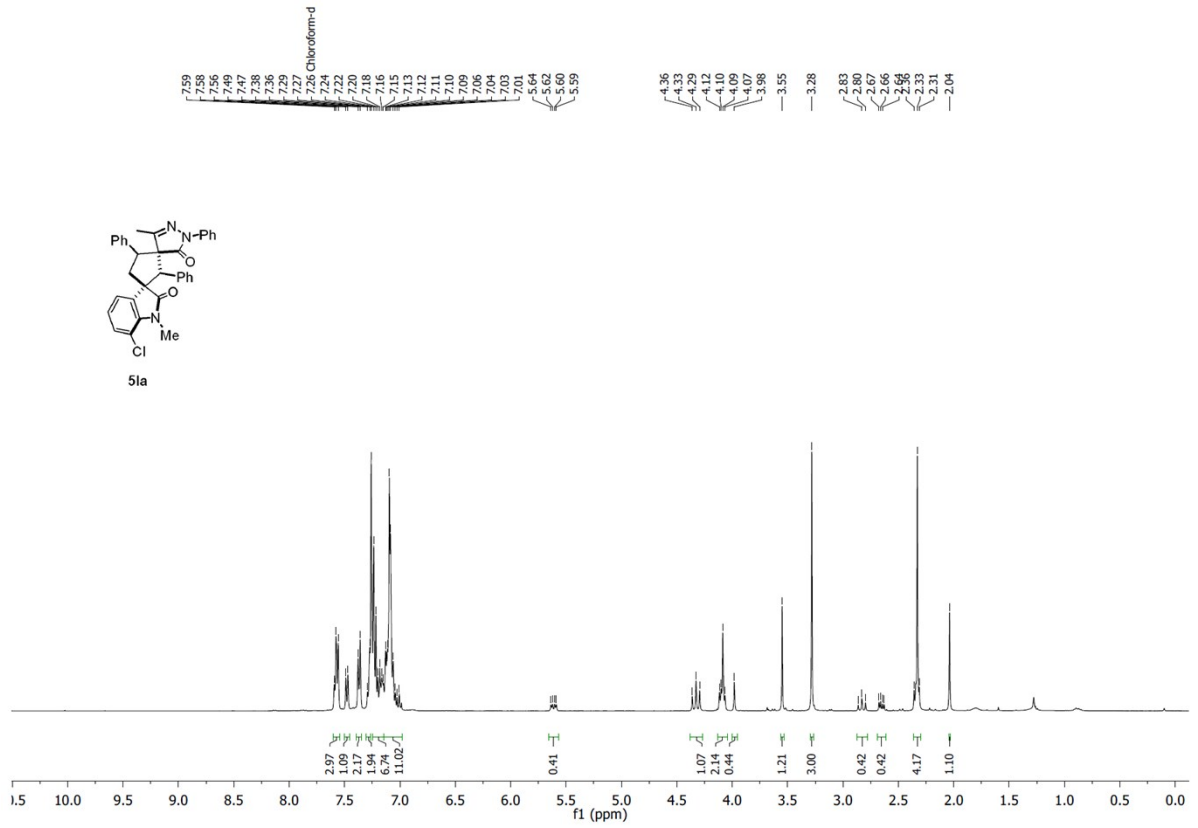


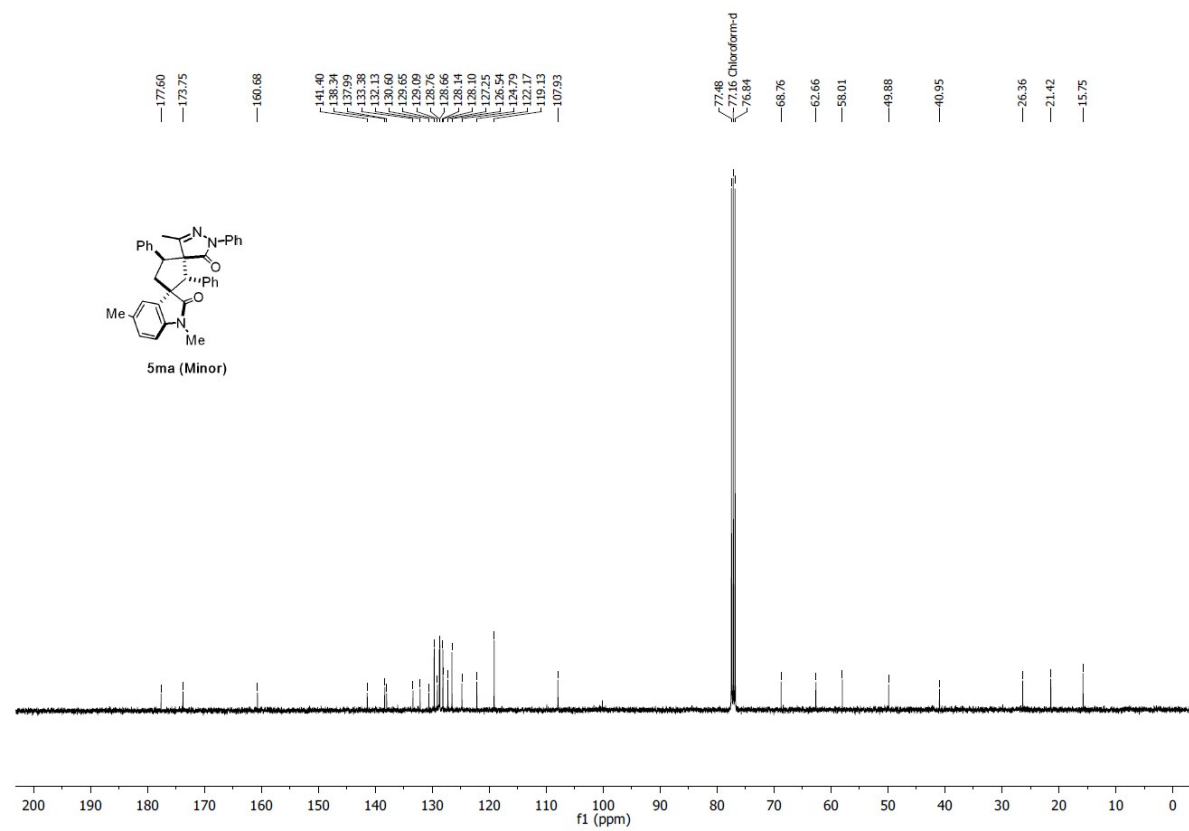
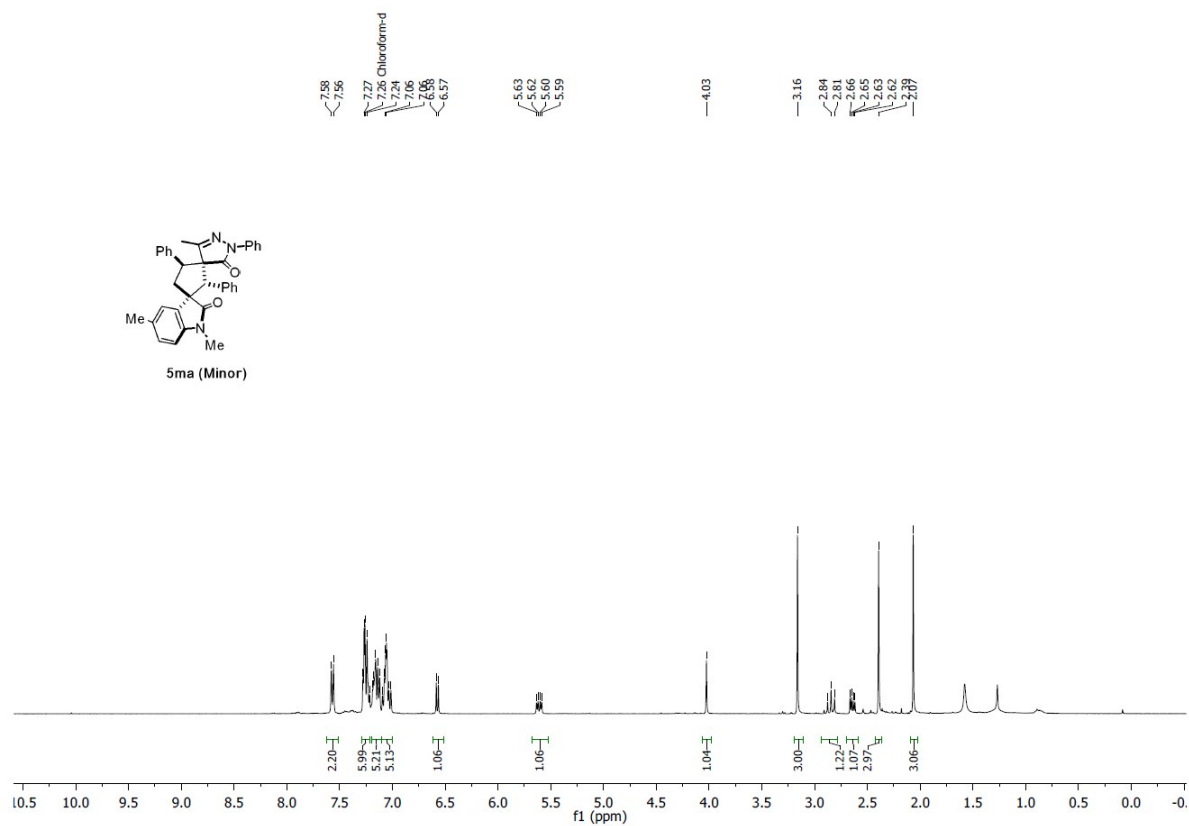


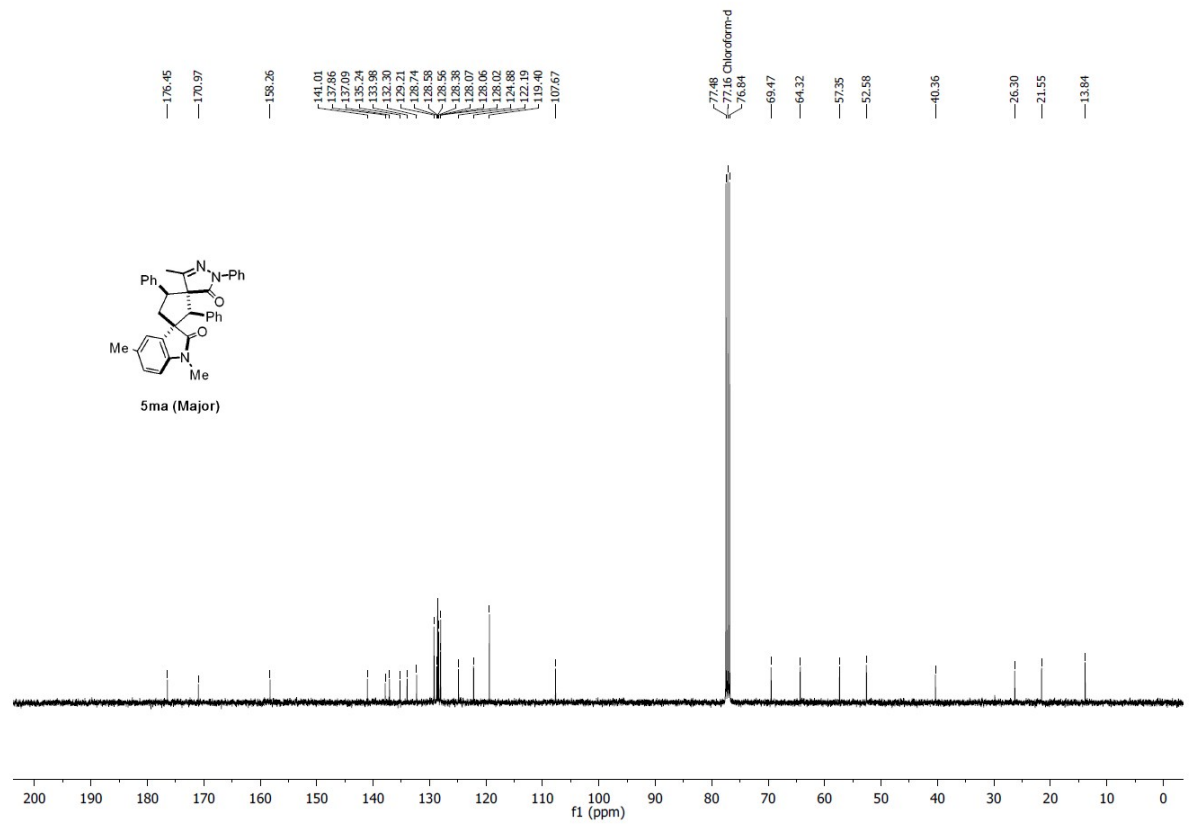
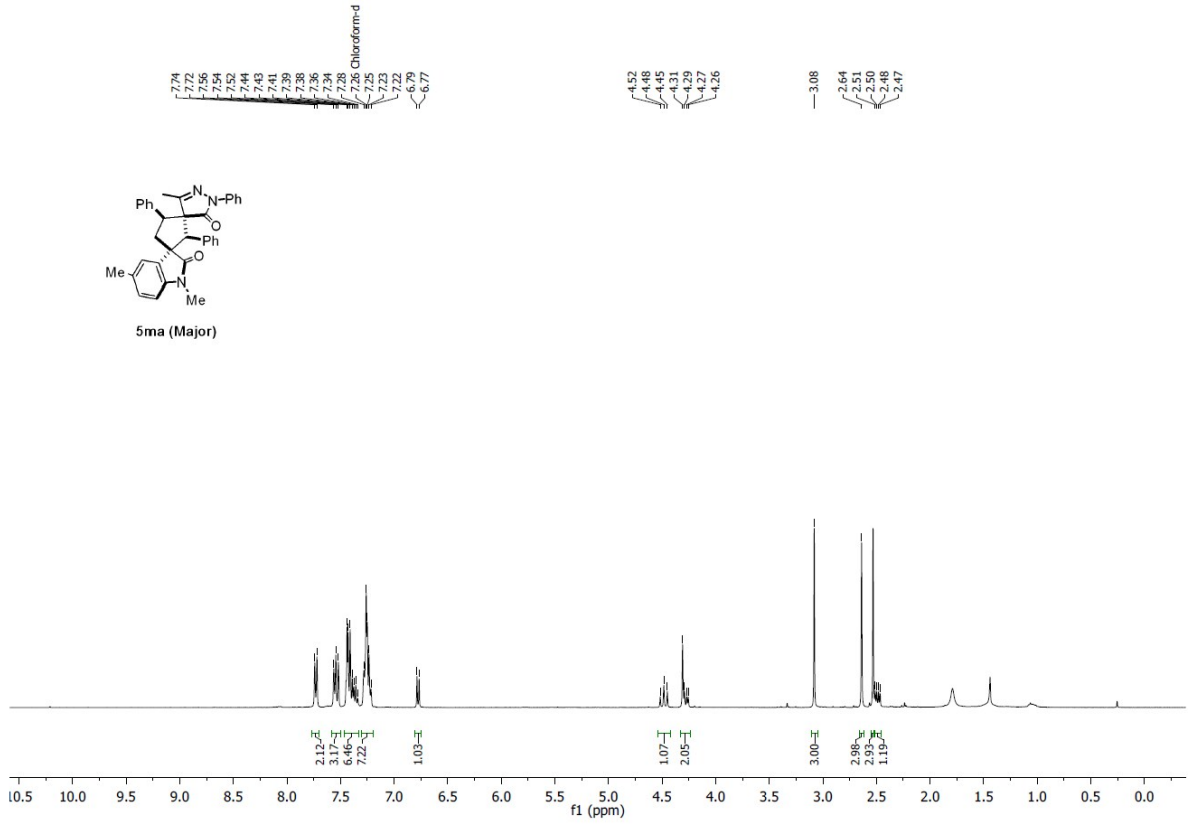


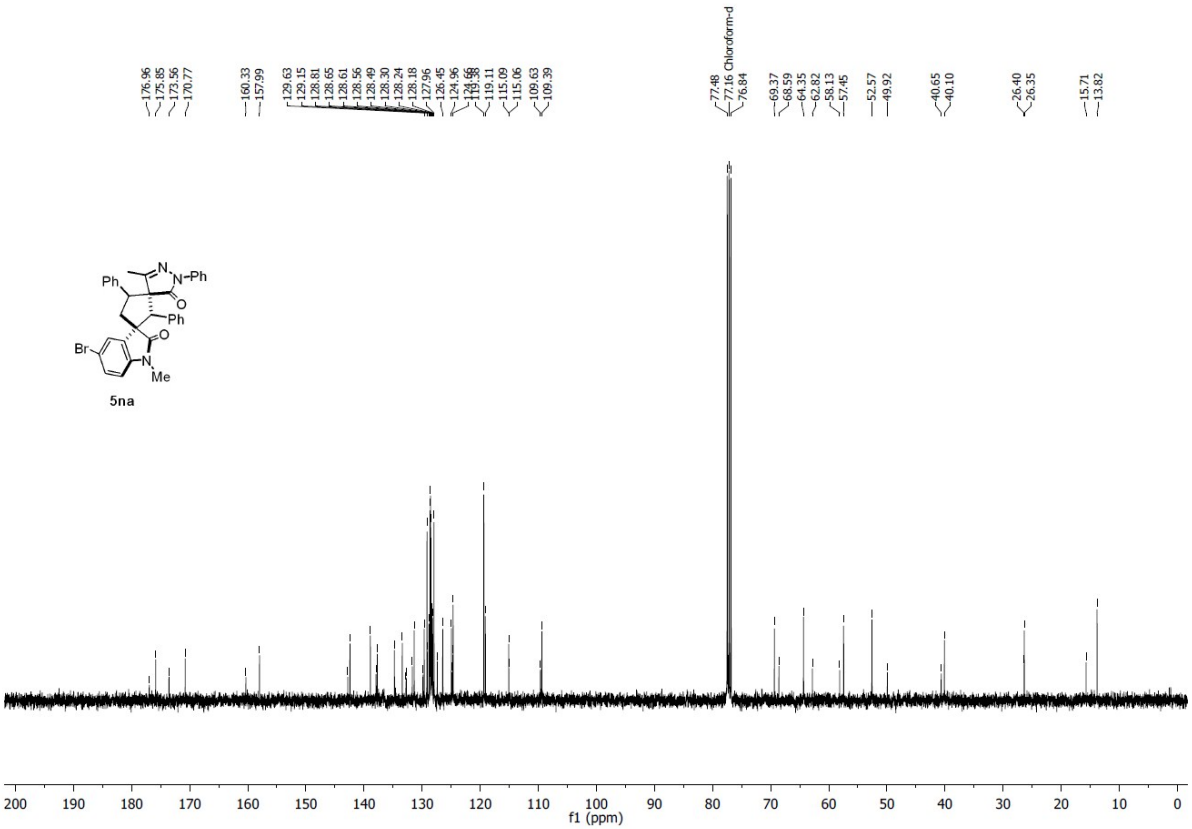
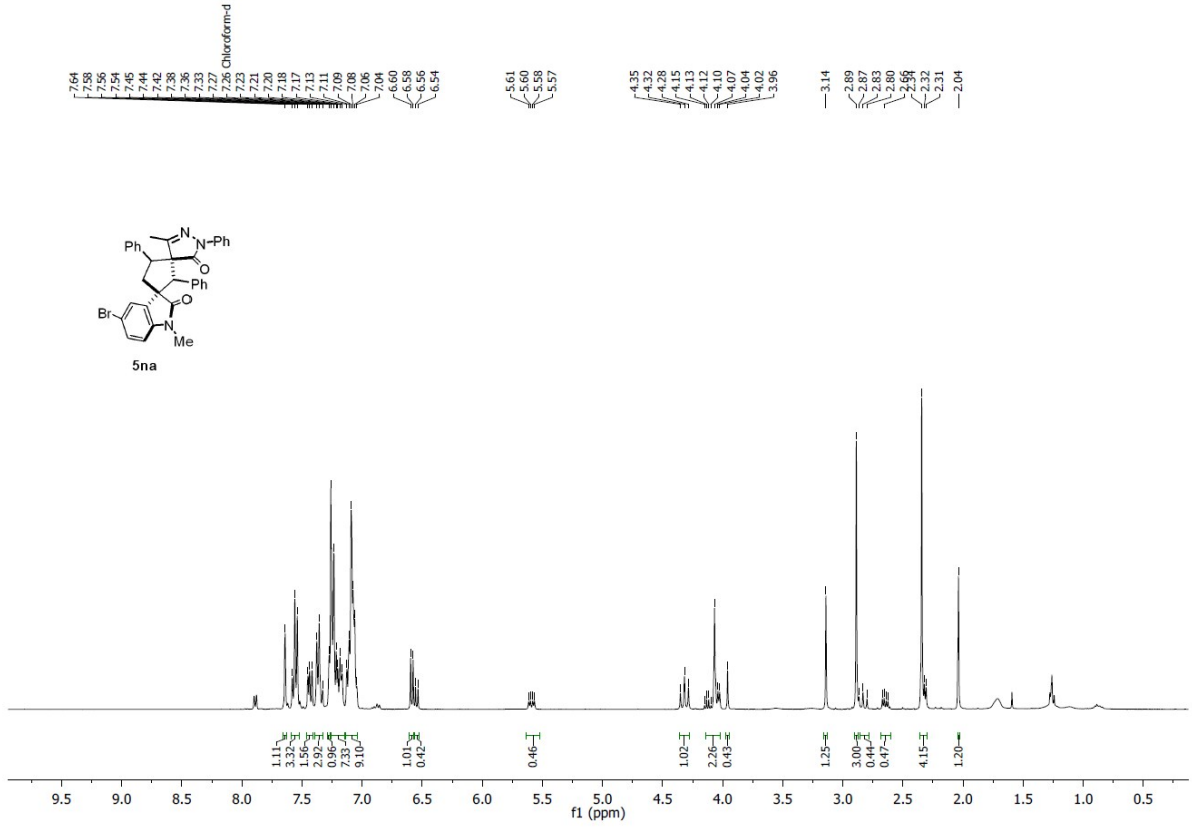


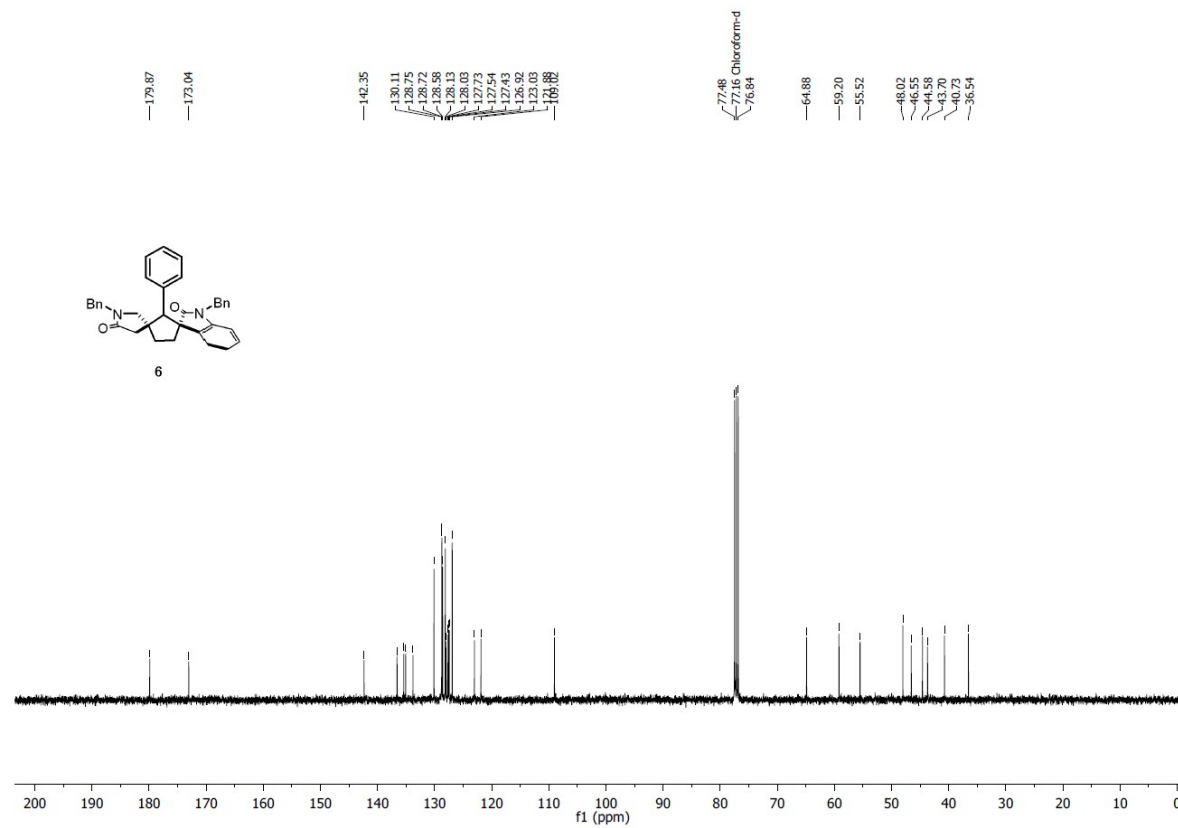
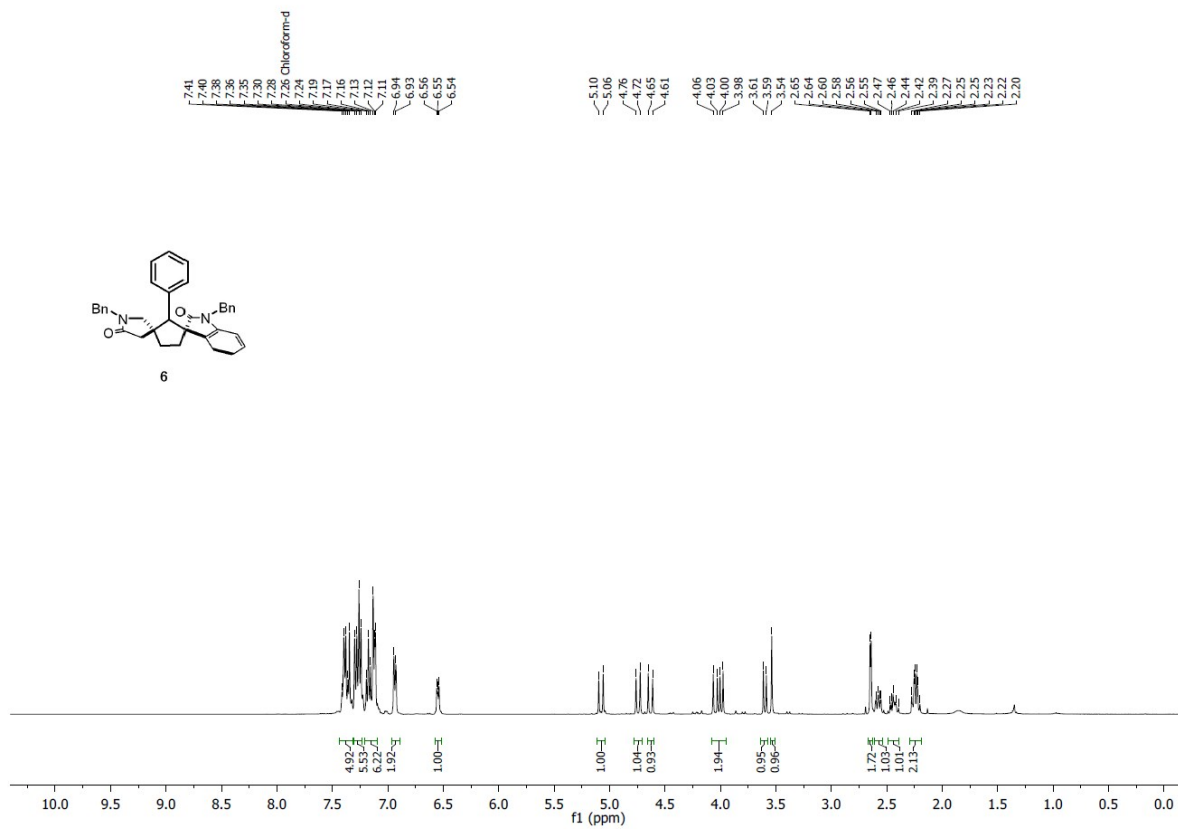


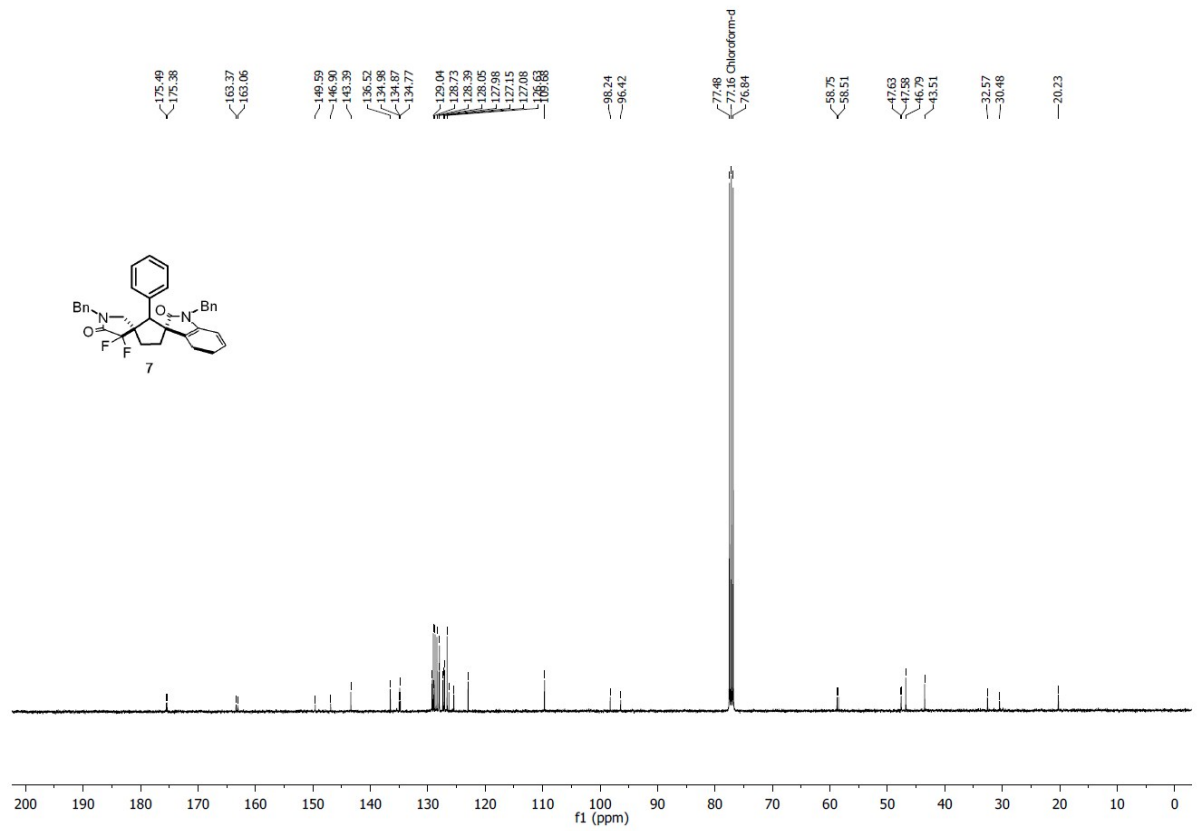
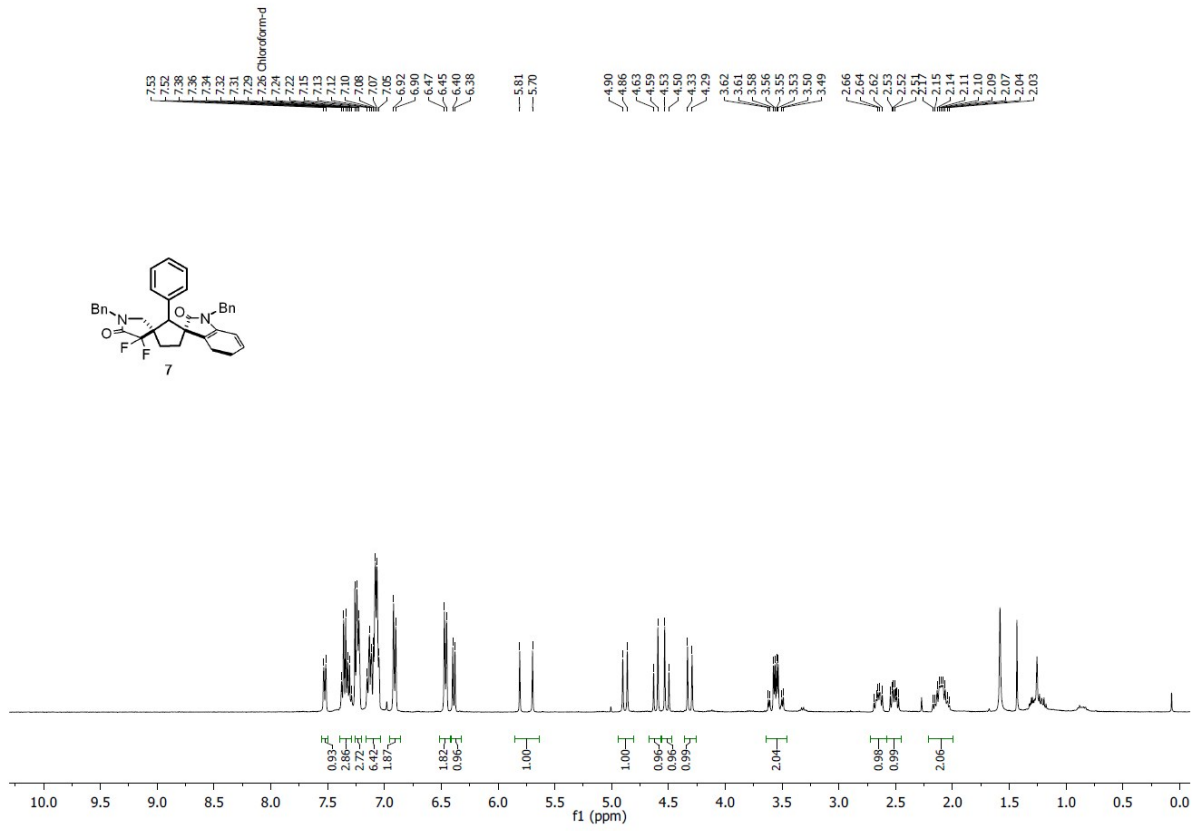


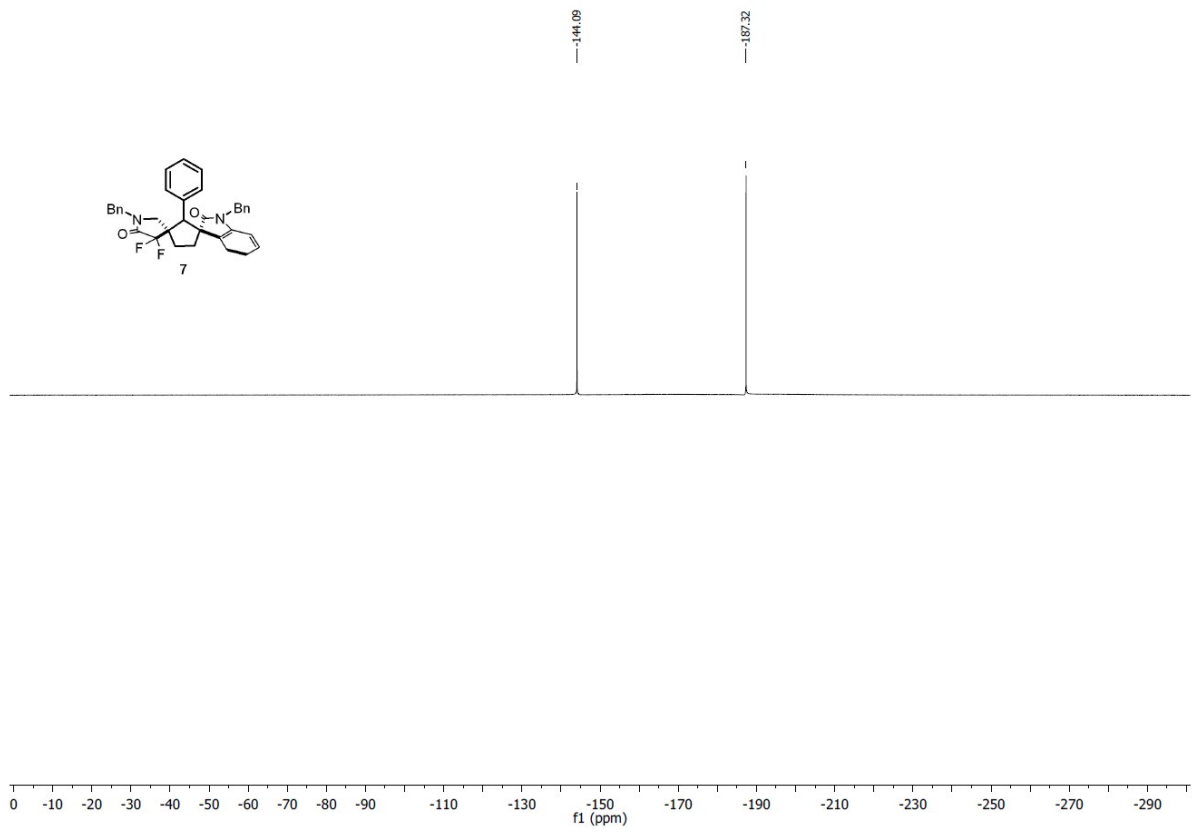


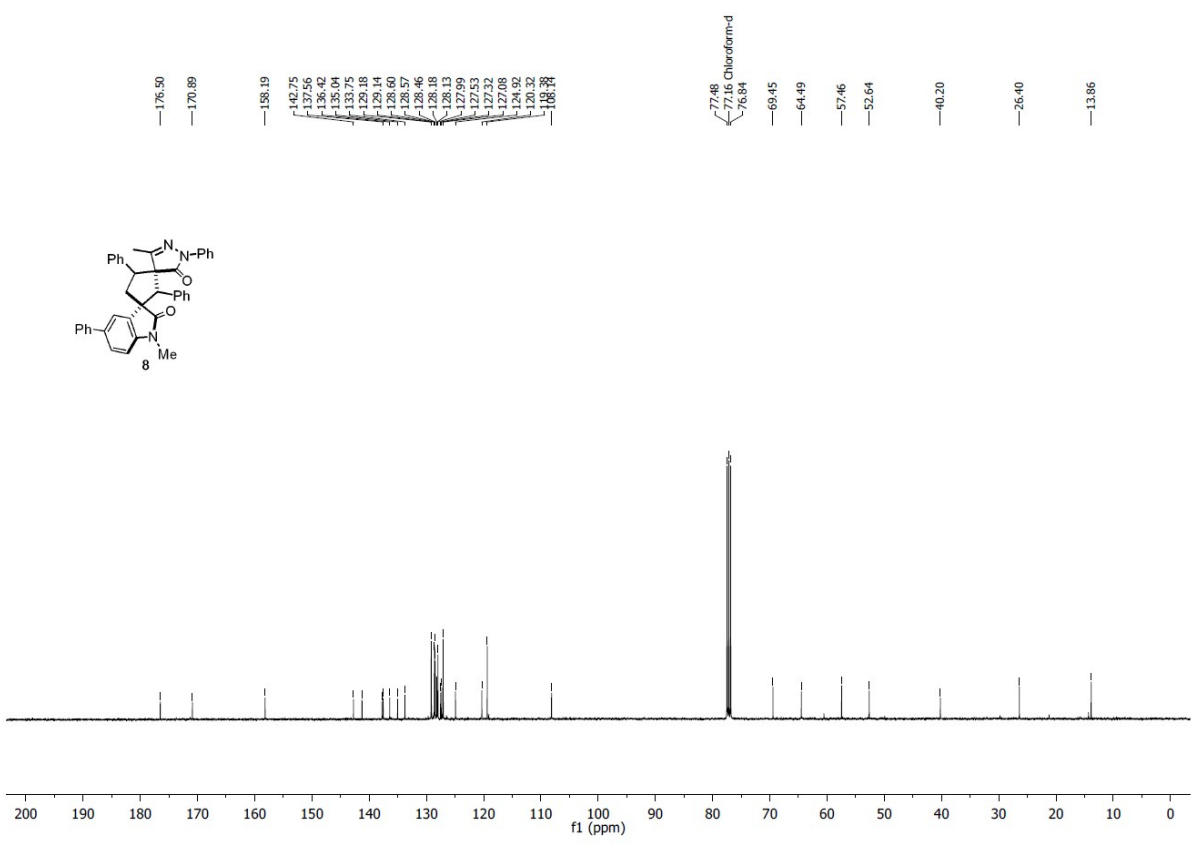
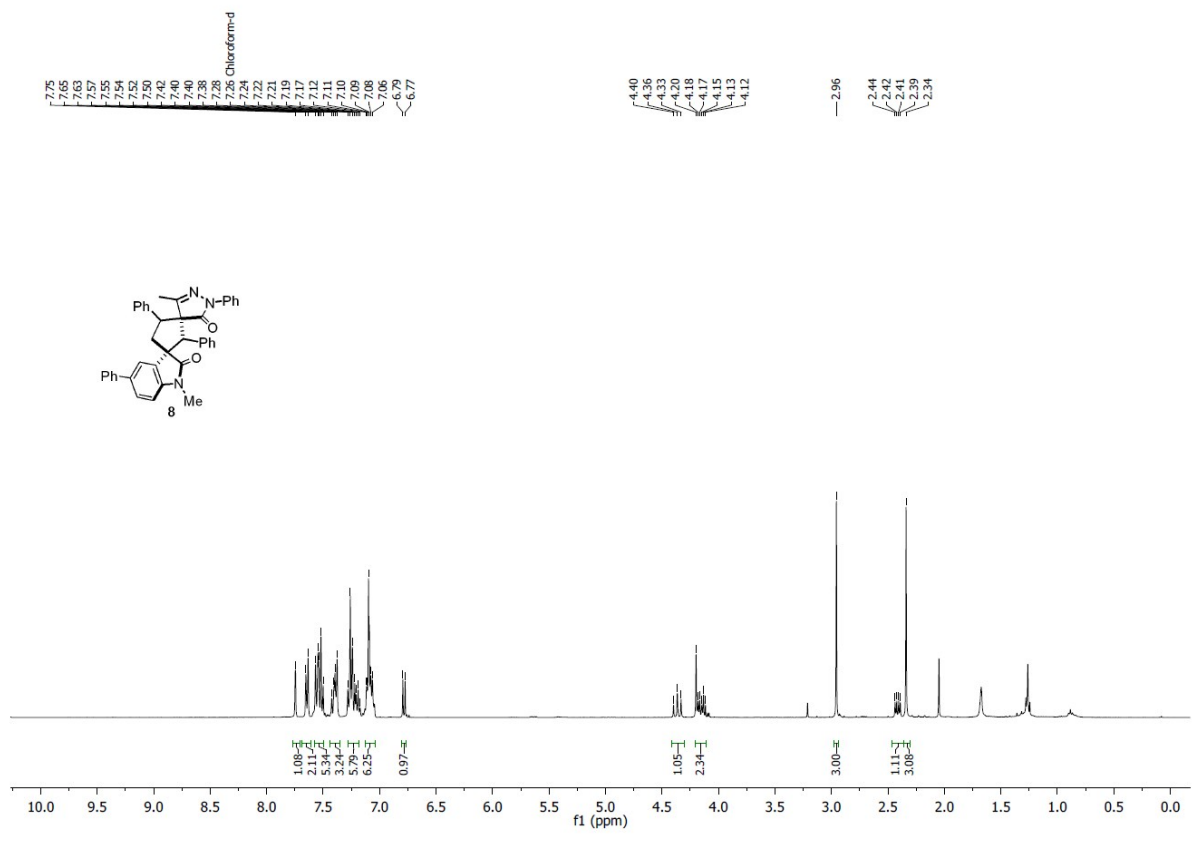








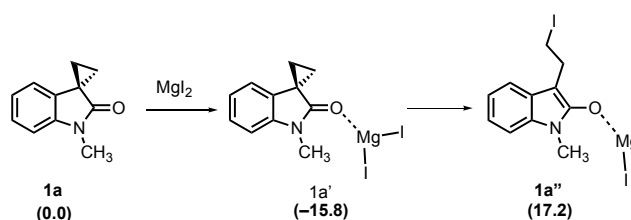




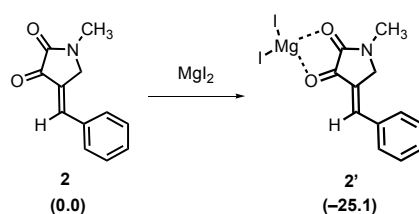
10. Computational Section

Computational Details

All optimizations of stationary points and vibrational analyses were carried out at OLYP¹/TZ2P² using ADF.³ The zeroth-order regular approximation (ZORA)⁴ accounted for scalar relativistic effects. Solvation effects of tetrahydrofuran (THF) were included in all computations using the COnductor-like Screening MOdel (COSMO).⁵ This level is referred to as COSMO(THF)-ZORA-OLYP/TZ2P. Energy minima and transition states were verified through vibrational analysis.⁶ All minima were found to have zero imaginary frequencies, while all transition states had a single imaginary frequency.

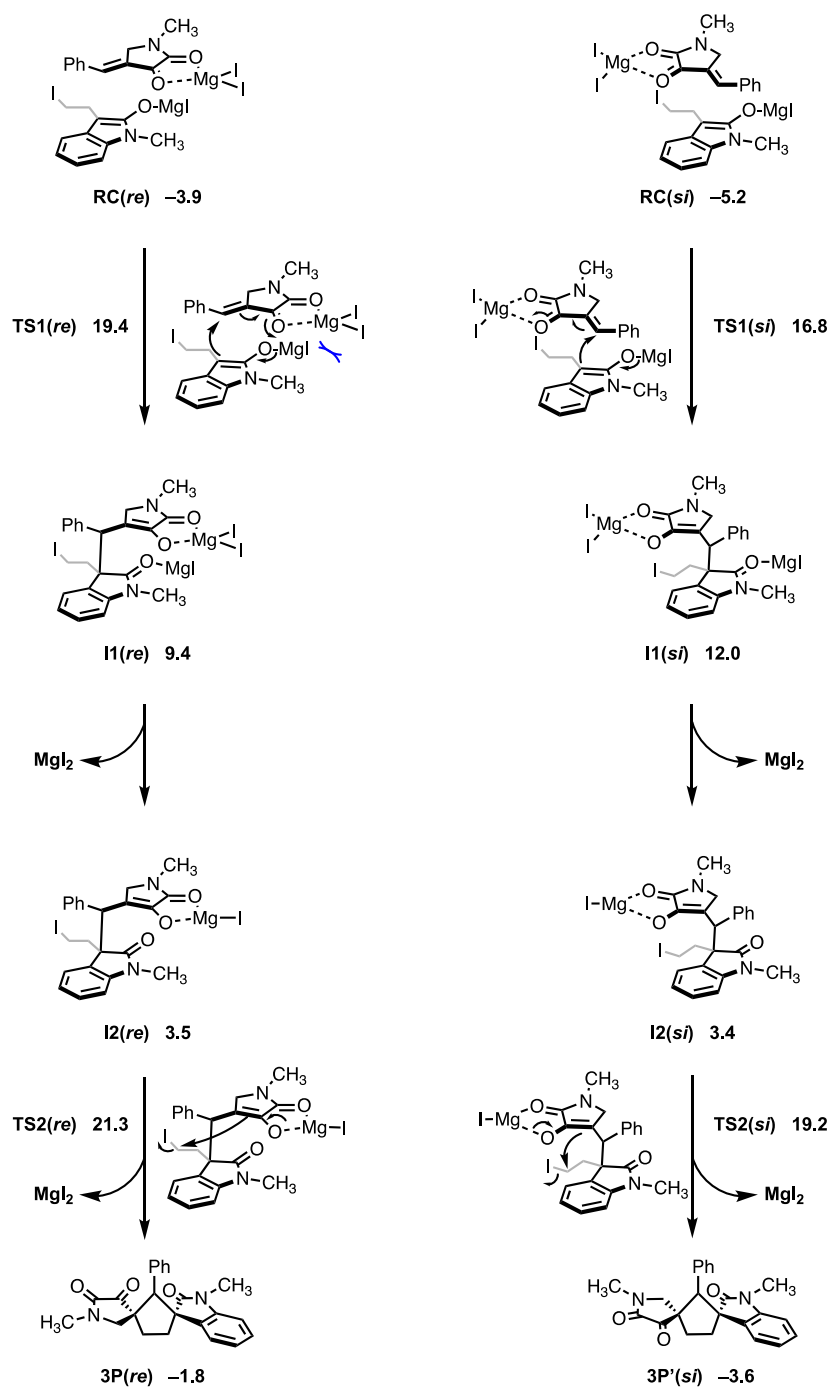


Scheme S3. Ring opening of the representative spirocyclopropyl oxindole **1a** by MgI_2 to ring-opened intermediate **1a''**. Energies (in kcal mol⁻¹) computed at COSMO(THF)-ZORA-OLYP/TZ2P.



Scheme S4. Lewis acid activation of a representative 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine substrate **2** via coordination of MgI_2 is shown. Energies (in kcal mol⁻¹) computed at COSMO(THF)-ZORA-OLYP/TZ2P.

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Scheme S5. Reaction pathways for a model [3+2] annulation reaction between DAC-1a with a representative 2,3-dioxopyrrolidine substrate **2** (see Scheme S1 and S2), with two different facial selectivity yielding diastereomeric products **3P** and **3P'** are shown. Energies (in kcal mol⁻¹) computed at COSMO(THF)-ZORA-OLYP/TZ2P. Where, RC = reactant complex, I = intermediate, TS = transition state, and 3P/3P' = products.

Table S1. Cartesian coordinates (Å), energies (kcal mol⁻¹), and imaginary vibrational frequencies of the optimized structures computed at COSMO(THF)-ZORA-OLYP/TZ2P.

MgI2

$E = -142.80$

$N_{\text{imag}} = 0$

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I	0.000000	0.000000	2.623989
I	0.000000	0.000000	-2.623989

1a

$E = -3431.52$

$N_{\text{imag}} = 0$

C	-1.847126	1.298057	-0.010139
C	-3.066973	0.640677	-0.091579
C	-3.091250	-0.760134	-0.045971
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C	-0.666210	-0.836917	0.162292
C	-0.658048	0.554092	0.115872
H	-3.996272	1.195939	-0.189047
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O	0.776812	3.722384	0.132738
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H	-1.490662	4.512188	-1.347730
H	-1.704570	4.594906	1.153781
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1a'

$E = -3590.08$

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ATOMS

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1a''

$E = -3557.09$

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2

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H	-2.570621	4.773483	-1.383160
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C	-2.825675	2.986453	-0.231122
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RC(re)

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TS1(si)

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C	-3.149223	0.995065	-2.900195
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H	-5.272021	-1.551099	-3.495806
H	-2.953442	-1.156982	-2.702056
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H	-4.986600	3.724224	-1.555742
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TS1(re)

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H	-1.850801	-1.002979	-2.715384
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I	3.548316	5.088898	-2.691018
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C	-3.866290	1.934247	0.195366
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C	-2.321529	1.321037	1.956234
C	-1.564006	2.458742	1.675881
C	-1.955845	3.325166	0.658928
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C	-4.839400	6.159552	-1.534226
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I	-9.072066	7.883856	-0.262209
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Mg	-6.920248	7.890942	-2.019189
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H	-1.927025	1.804597	2.276587
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H	-5.527545	-1.556821	-4.039695
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H	-1.490835	5.015763	-4.468085
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C	-3.244045	1.792278	0.057797
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C	-1.813498	3.656437	0.547565
H	-4.007918	1.306098	-0.537233
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C	-1.715582	2.904701	-2.204781
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H	-1.480304	5.066569	-4.069254
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I	-9.195569	9.099991	-2.782026
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C	-3.338676	1.925265	1.842337
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C	-5.693739	1.739413	1.392810
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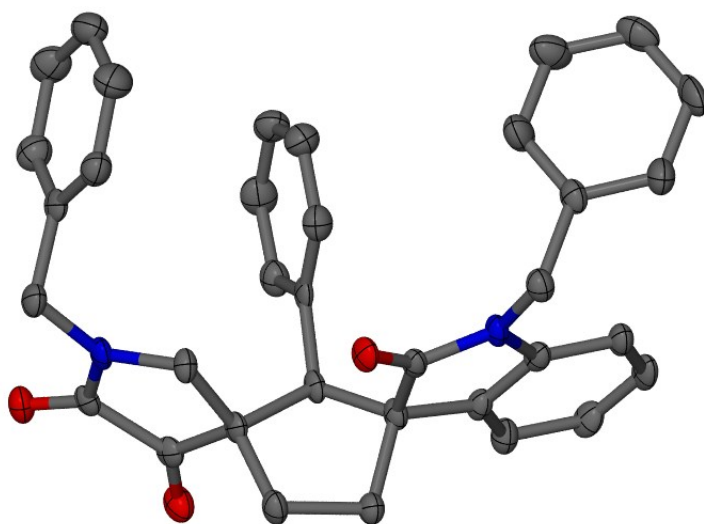
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11. Crystallographic Data

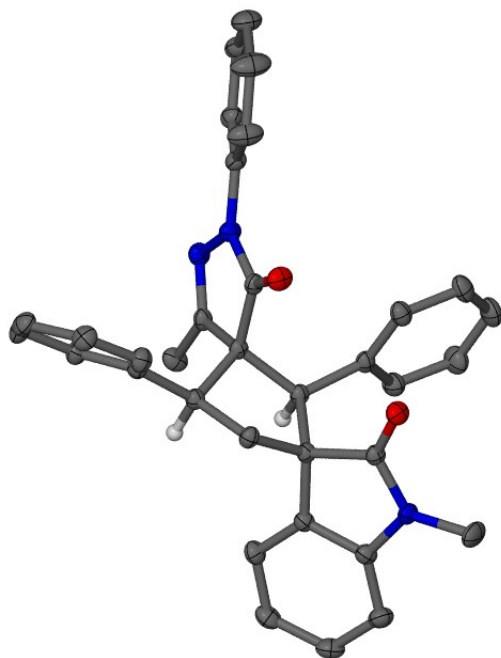
Crystal structures of all the compounds were determined by Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction (SCD) experiment. The structure of **3ba** was determined on a Bruker SMART APEX II CCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo K_{α} ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) radiation. Structure of syn-**5ea** and anti-**5ea** were determined on Bruker D8 Quest equipped with a microfocus anode (Mo) and a PHOTON 100 CMOS detector. Integration and scaling of data were performed by SAINT¹ and SADABS program². The structures were solved by direct methods using SHELXT-2018³ and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 using SHELXL-2018/3 version³. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically and all hydrogen atoms were placed at calculated positions using riding models.

ORTEP diagram: Atoms are shown with 50% probability of thermal ellipsoids

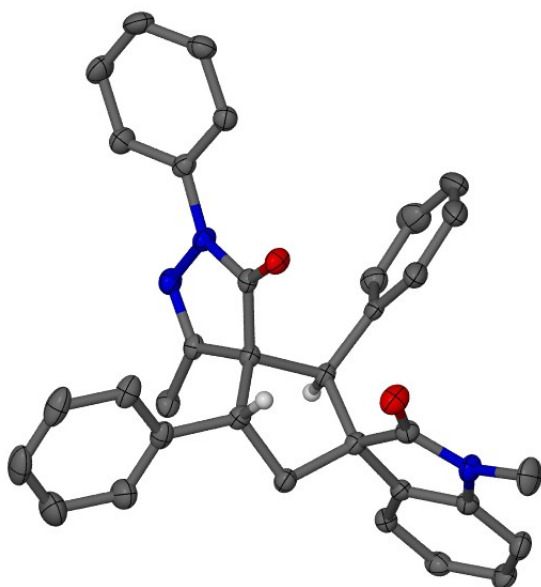
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Compound: *anti*-5ea [CCDC No. 1911437]



References:

1. SAINT, Version 6.45; Bruker AXS Inc.: Madison, WI, 2003.
2. SADABS, Version 2.05; Bruker AXS Inc.: Madison, WI, 2002.

Table S2. Crystal data and refinement parameters

Code	3ba	syn-5ea	anti-5ea
Empirical formula	C ₃₅ H ₃₀ N ₂ O ₃ , H ₂ O	C ₃₄ H ₂₉ N ₃ O ₂	C ₃₄ H ₂₉ N ₃ O ₂
Formula weight	544.62	511.60	511.60
Wavelength/ Å	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Crystal system	Triclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>
Crystal size (mm ³)	0.31 x 0.28 x 0.15	0.22 x 0.18 x 0.10	0.22 x 0.18 x 0.08
<i>a</i> /Å	9.854(3)	14.6308(9)	10.819(3)
<i>b</i> /Å	10.995(4)	11.7018(7)	18.779(4)
<i>c</i> /Å	13.297(5)	17.2952(10)	14.234(4)
<i>α</i> (°)	96.31(2)	90	90
<i>β</i> (°)	98.53(2)	103.047(2)	111.210(8)
<i>γ</i> (°)	100.45(3)	90	90
<i>V</i> /Å ³	1387.2(8)	2884.6(3)	2696.1(11)
<i>Z</i>	2	4	4
<i>D</i> _{cal} /g cm ⁻³	1.304	1.178	1.260
<i>T</i> /K	100	100	100
<i>μ</i> /mm ⁻¹	0.085	0.074	0.079
<i>F</i> ₀₀₀	576	1080	1080
Theta ranges for data collection	1.9° to 25.3°	2.1° to 30.6°	2.3° to 33.2°
Index ranges	-11 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 11, -13 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 13, -15 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 15	-19 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 20, -16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 16, -24 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 24	-16 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 16, -28 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 28, -21 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 19
Reflections measured	17877	40615	60389
Unique reflections	4941	8802	10227
Observed reflections	3717	7255	8168
Parameters	379	354	354
Data completeness	0.982	0.995	0.990
<i>R</i> _{int}	0.081	0.036	0.042
final <i>R</i> (<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>))	0.0667	0.0430	0.0456
final <i>R</i> (all data)	0.0854	0.0547	0.0622
final <i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>))	0.1699	0.1104	0.1159
final <i>wR</i> ₂ (all data)	0.1834	0.1205	0.1285
GOF on <i>F</i> ²	1.01	1.03	1.037

Highest peak and deepest hole	0.445 & -0.394	0.382 & -0.210	0.438 & -0.230
CCDC No.	1911435	1911436	1911437

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