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Rh(III)-Catalyzed C-7 Arylation of Indolines with Arylsilanes

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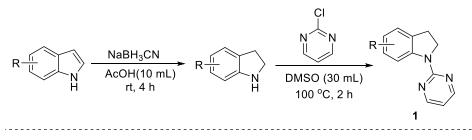
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I. General Informations

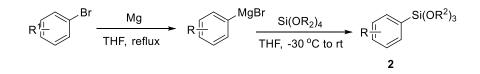
Analytical methods: Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) and carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectroscopy were performed on a Bruker Advance 300, 400 and 500 NMR spectrometers. Chemical shifts ¹H NMR spectra are reported as in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (0.0) and relative to the signal of chloroform-*d* (J = 7.264, singlet). Multiplicities were given as: s (singlet); d (doublet); t (triplet); q (quartet); dd (doublet of doublets); ddd (doublet of doublets); ddd (doublet of doublets of doublets); ddd (doublet of triplets); m (multiplets) and etc. The number of protons (n) for a given resonance is indicated by nH. Coupling constants are reported as a *J* value in Hz. Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹³C NMR) are reported as d in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (0.0) and relative to the signal of chloroform-*d* (J = 77.03, triplet). High resolution mass spectral analysis (HRMS) was performed on Water XVEO G2 Q-TOF (Waters Corporation). Infrared spectra were recorded on a Nicolet IS50 Fourier transform spectrometer (FT-IR) and are reported in wave numbers (cm⁻¹).

Materials: All commercial available reagents were used without further purification unless otherwise noted. It must be point out that tetrahydrofuran was dried by sodium and distilled until the diphenylmethanone turned blue. All substituted indoline,¹⁻² arylsilanes³ were prepared according to the known methods (Scheme 1). In addition, column chromatography was performed using 200-300 mesh silica gels.

i) Syntheis of various N-(2-pyrimidyl)-indolines 1



ii) Syntheis of various arylsilanes 2



Scheme 1

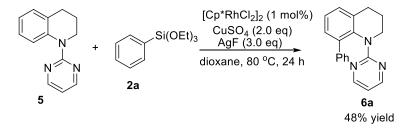
II. Experimental Procedures

1. General procedure for Rh(III)-catalyzed C-7 arylation of indoline with arylsilanes

To a septum capped 15 mL of dried sealed tube with a magnetic stirring bar were added 1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (**1f**, 0.3 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (1.9 mg 1 mol%), CuSO₄ (95.8 mg, 0.6 mmol), AgF (114.2 mg, 0.9 mmol) and 2 mL Dioxane, followed by addition of triethoxy(phenyl)silane (**2a**, 217.2 μ L, 0.9 mmol) by microsyringe. The sealed tube was screw capped and heated to 80 °C for 24 h (oil bath). After completed, the reaction was cooled to room temperature, and then the mixture was diluted with 10 mL water. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified with silica gel chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to provide pure product **3fa**.

2. Rh(III)-catalyzed the direct C-8 arylation of *N*-(2-pyrimidyl)-tetrahydroquinoline with phenyltriethoxysilane

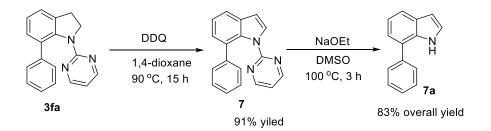
To a septum capped 15 mL of dried sealed tube with a magnetic stirring bar were added *N*-(2-pyrimidyl)-tetrahydroquinoline (**5**, 63.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (1.9 mg 1 mol%), CuSO₄ (95.8 mg, 0.6 mmol), AgF (114.2 mg, 0.9 mmol) and 2 mL Dioxane, followed by addition of triethoxy(phenyl)silane (**2a**, 217.2 μ L, 0.9 mmol) by microsyringe. The sealed tube was screw capped and heated to 80 °C for 24 h (oil bath). After completed, the reaction was cooled to room temperature, and then the mixture was diluted with 10 mL water. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified with silica gel chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to provide pure product **6** (41.4 mg, 48 %).



3. Transformation of C-7-arylated indoline 3fa to the corresponding indole^[4]

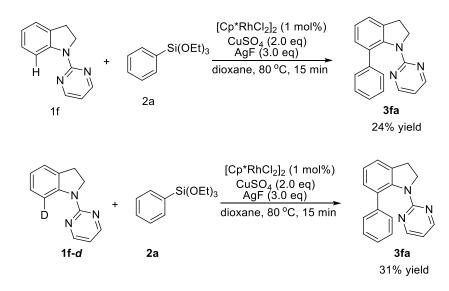
To a stirred solution of 7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline **3fa** (0.1 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane, DDQ (0.2 mmol) was added at room temperature. The resultant solution was further stirred at 90 °C for 15 h. After completion, as indicated by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with ethyl acetate (1 x 20 mL). The mixture was successively washed with brine (2 x 10 mL) and water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using n-hexane and ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford 7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1H-indole **7** as a yellowish liquid. Next, indole **7** was dissolved

in DMSO (2 mL) and NaOEt (5 equiv.) in EtOH (0.5 mL) was added to the mixture. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 3 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with ethyl acetate (1 x 15 mL). The mixture was then washed with 2 N HCl (1 x 10 mL), brine (2 x 10 mL) and water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using n-hexane and ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford 7-phenyl-1H-indole **7a** as a brown liquid.



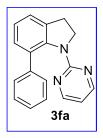
4. Parallel kinetic Isotope experiment^[4]

In a set of two experiments: in first set, Phenyl-triethoxysilane **2a** (0.6 mmol) was reacted with 1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline **1f** (0.2 mmol) for 15 min under standard reaction condition. Whereas in another set, 1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline-7-*d* **1f**-*d* (0.2 mmol, 97% D) was used instead of **1f** in the reaction with Phenyl-triethoxysilane **2a** (0.6 mmol) under the standard reaction conditions. The two reactions were allowed to stir at 80 °C for 15 min. For the both cases, The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified with silica gel chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to provide pure product **3fa**. The yield of **3fa** was obtained as 24% (13.1 mg) and 31% yields (16.9 mg), respectively. The KIE value of 0.80 was determined by the ratio of obtained yield of **3fa** (KIE = 24%/31%/97% = 0.80).



III. Spectroscopic Data for Arylated Products

7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fa)



The product **3fa** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 8:1, Rf = 0.35) to give product as a yellowish solid (80.4 mg, 98% yield).

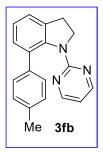
¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.36 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.18 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.13, 156.43, 142.21, 141.01, 134.90, 130.30, 128.89, 127.83, 126.62, 125.97, 123.69, 123.57, 111.72, 52.13, 29.51.

IR (KBr disk): 3028, 2957, 2848, 1687, 1576, 1551, 1456, 1421, 1128 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-7-(p-tolyl)indoline (3fb)



The product **3fb** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 10:1, Rf = 0.45) to give product as a yellowish solid (81.7 mg, 95% yield).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.36 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.20, 156.41, 140.95, 139.18, 135.55, 134.84, 130.30, 128.82, 128.48, 126.39, 123.68, 123.29, 111.69, 52.14, 29.52, 21.02.
IR (KBr disk): 3023, 2994, 2847, 1607, 1517, 1451, 1379, 1273, 1216 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{19}H_{18}N_3^+$ [M + H]⁺288.1495, found: 288.1498.

7-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fc)



The product **3fc** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 9:1, Rf = 0.30) to give product as a yellowish solid (81.4 mg, 90% yield). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (s, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 6.35 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.15 (s, 6H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.02, 156.16, 141.75, 140.81, 137.09, 134.62, 129.81, 128.71, 127.40, 124.39, 123.36, 123.28, 111.51, 52.04, 29.39, 20.98. **IR** (KBr disk): 3025, 2964, 2914, 2878, 2839, 1573, 1465, 1414, 1277 cm⁻¹. **HRMS (ESI)** calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₃⁺ [M + H]⁺302.1652, found: 302.1656.

1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-7-(o-tolyl)indoline (3fd)



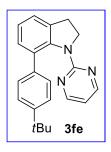
The product **3fd** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.50) to give product as a yellow liquid (28.4 mg, 33% yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 6.97 (m, 3H), 6.34 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 158.85, 156.17, 141.93, 141.48, 134.72, 134.41, 129.85, 129.74, 129.45, 128.66, 126.20, 125.12, 123.40, 122.87, 111.56, 51.77, 29.39, 19.67.
IR (KBr disk): 3021, 2963, 2921, 2878, 1575, 1550, 1457, 1382, 1283, 1081 cm⁻¹.

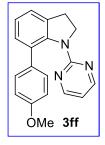
This compound is known.^[4]

7-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fe)



The product **3fe** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.40) to give product as a yellow solid (89.1 mg, 90% yield). ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.12 (dt, J=8.52,1.96Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.91, 156.19, 149.11, 141.08, 139.18, 134.75, 129.82, 128.68, 126.27, 124.58, 123.50, 123.36, 111.37, 52.08, 34.33, 31.38, 29.49. IR (KBr disk): 3029, 2954, 2900, 2865, 1576, 1455, 1433, 1266, 1194, 1109 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₂₄N₃⁺ [M + H]⁺ 330.1965, found: 330.1966.

7-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3ff)



The product **3ff** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate =7:1, Rf = 0.40) to give product as a yellow solid (78.3 mg, 86 % yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.74 – 6.60 (m, 2H), 6.39 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.16, 158.00, 156.44, 140.92, 134.89, 134.73, 130.00, 128.69, 127.62, 123.72, 123.12, 113.24, 111.73, 55.17, 52.20, 29.53.

IR (KBr disk):3030, 2992, 2974, 2933, 2846, 1578, 1451, 1431, 1279, 1238, 1175 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (**ESI**) calcd for $C_{19}H_{18}N_3O^+$ [M + H]⁺304.1445, found: 304.1449.

7-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fg)



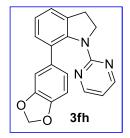
The product 3fg was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate

= 9:1, Rf = 0.30) to give product as a yellow solid (87.0 mg, 96 % yield).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.06 (dt, *J* = 15.4, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.92 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.65 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 2.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.25, 159.08, 156.31, 143.36, 140.78, 134.77, 129.74, 128.69, 128.65, 123.57, 123.53, 119.18, 112.22, 111.72, 111.35, 55.01, 52.03, 29.34.
IR (KBr disk): 3000, 2955, 2882, 1575, 1548, 1472, 1429, 1292, 1225, 1171 cm⁻¹.
This compound is known. ^[4]

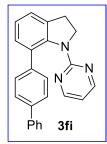
7-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fh)



The product **3fh** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 10:1, Rf = 0.25) to give product as a yellowish solid (78.3 mg, 82% yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.04 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (s, 2H), 4.43 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.21, 156.42, 147.21, 145.65, 140.83, 136.23, 134.89, 129.98, 128.61, 123.65, 123.27, 119.99, 111.78, 107.72, 107.27, 100.51, 52.06, 29.44. **IR** (KBr disk): 3027, 2958, 2894, 1575, 1552, 1467, 1423, 1252, 1226, 1036 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (**ESI**) calcd for C₁₉H₁₆N₃O₂⁺ [M + H]⁺318.1237, found: 318.1238.

7-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fi)



The product **3fi** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.50) to give product as a yellowish solid (82.0 mg, 78 % yield).

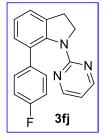
¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (dt, *J* = 8.1, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6H), 7.30 (tdd, *J* = 7.3, 5.2, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.05, 156.35, 141.20, 140.99, 140.78, 138.63, 134.87, 129.64, 128.66, 128.59, 126.96, 126.91, 126.73, 126.43, 123.63, 123.60, 111.76, 52.06, 29.42.

IR (KBr disk): 3034, 2959, 2913, 2842, 1574, 1548, 1454, 1436, 1329, 1285, 1184, 1042 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{24}H_{20}N_3^+$ [M + H]⁺350.1652, found: 350.1657.

7-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fj)



The product **3fj** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 8:1, Rf = 0.30) to give product as a yellowish solid (84.6 mg, 97% yield).

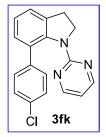
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 5.3, 2.6 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.41 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.37 (d, $J_{C-F} = 244.9$ Hz), 159.12, 156.52, 140.99, 138.23 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3.4$ Hz), 135.02, 129.37, 128.70, 128.11 (d, $J_{C-F} = 7.9$ Hz), 123.77, 123.66, 114.64 (d, $J_{C-F} = 21.2$ Hz), 111.94, 52.17, 29.47.

IR (KBr disk): 3049, 2959, 2885, 1575, 1549, 1509, 1454, 1428, 1212, 1154 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

7-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (3fk)



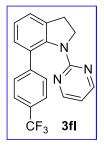
The product **3fk** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.45) to give product as a yellow solid (90.5 mg, 98% yield).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.07 (m, 3H), 6.43 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.11, 156.57, 140.95, 140.73, 135.05, 131.72, 129.16, 128.63, 127.97, 127.90, 123.89, 123.81, 112.09, 52.13, 29.43.

IR (KBr disk): 3030, 2963, 2914, 2850, 1576, 1548, 1451, 1425, 1285, 1266, 1087 cm⁻¹. This compound is known.^[4]

1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-7-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)indoline (3fl)



The product **3fl** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.40) to give product as a yellowish solid (94.2 mg, 92% yield).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (q, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.18 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.94 , 156.49 , 145.99 (d, J_{C-F} = 1.6 Hz), 141.04 , 135.11 , 128.80 , 128.63 , 128.03 (q, J_{C-F} = 32.2 Hz), 126.83, 124.73 (q, J_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 124.36, 123.79, 112.07, 52.05, 29.33.

IR (KBr disk): 3047, 2956, 2899, 2848, 1616, 1578, 1553, 1463, 1435, 1328, 1287, 1156, 1110, 1067 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{19}H_{15}F_3N_3^+$ [M + H]⁺342.1213, found: 342.1213.

1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-7-(thiophen-2-yl)indoline (3fm)



The product **3fm** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 6:1, Rf = 0.50) to give product as a yellow solid (43.3 mg, 52% yield).

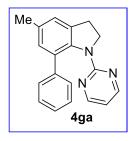
¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.93 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.86, 156.64, 143.57, 141.34, 135.27, 128.71, 126.54, 124.00, 123.91, 123.82, 112.12, 52.58, 29.62.

IR (KBr disk): 3030, 2967, 2887, 2841, 1573, 1552, 1447, 1414, 1351, 1280, 1228, 1183, 1045 cm⁻¹.

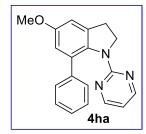
HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{16}H_{14}N_3S^+$ [M + H]⁺280.0903, found: 280.0909.

5-methyl-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4ga)



The product **4ga** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.40) to give product as a fawn solid (84.5 mg, 98% yield). ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (dt, *J* = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.22 - 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.15 - 7.07 (m, 3H), 6.36 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 156.32, 142.09, 134.99, 133.25, 130.01, 129.12, 127.68, 126.49, 125.81, 124.22, 111.36, 52.09, 29.43, 20.88. IR (KBr disk): 3027, 2913, 2887, 2850, 1603, 1576, 1548, 1471, 1449, 1225, 1101 cm⁻¹. This compound is known.^[4]

5-methoxy-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4ha)



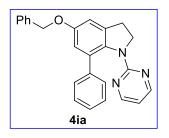
The product **4ha** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 8:1, Rf = 0.30) to give product as a yellow solid (85.6 mg, 94 % yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 6.83 (s, 2H), 6.31 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.12 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.24, 156.56, 156.40, 141.92, 136.49, 134.52, 131.05, 127.78, 126.48, 126.11, 113.21, 111.23, 110.06, 55.66, 52.20, 29.87.

IR (KBr disk): 3007, 2939, 2881, 2842, 1600, 1577, 1549, 1470, 1431, 1336, 1177 cm⁻¹. This compound is known. ^[4]

5-(benzyloxy)-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4ia)



The product **4ia** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 6:1, Rf = 0.20) to give product as a yellowish solid (98.3 mg, 86% yield).

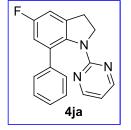
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¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.27, 156.44, 155.84, 141.93, 137.16, 136.50, 134.79, 131.10, 128.48, 127.83, 127.81, 127.37, 126.53, 126.15, 114.50, 111.30, 110.91, 70.51, 52.24, 29.92.

IR (KBr disk): 3031, 2916, 2854, 1609, 1577, 1547, 1467, 1445, 1412, 1375, 1354, 1244, 1225, 1189, 1166 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

5-fluoro-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4ja)



The product **4ja** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 8:1, Rf = 0.25) to give product as a light brown yellow solid (75.6 mg, 86% yield).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (ddd, *J* = 18.2, 8.9, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 6.36 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H).

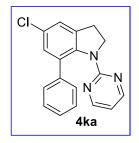
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IR (KBr disk): 3025, 2923, 2849, 1603, 1577, 1547, 1460, 1430, 1344, 1294, 1196, 1150

cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

5-chloro-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4ka)



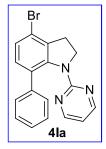
The product **4ka** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.30) to give product as a yellow solid (78.2 mg, 85% yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 (t, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.06 (m, 4H), 6.38 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.87, 156.42, 140.89, 136.75, 131.23, 128.47, 128.40, 127.92, 126.45, 126.37, 123.50, 112.01, 52.17, 29.30.

IR (KBr disk): 3027, 2929, 2858, 1576, 1547, 1443, 1427, 1287, 1225, 1195 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (**ESI**) calcd for $C_{18}H_{15}ClN_3^+$ [M + H]⁺308.0949, found: 308.0955.

4-bromo-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4la)



The product **4la** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate

= 7:1, Rf = 0.50) to give product as a brown solid (70.7 mg, 67 % yield).

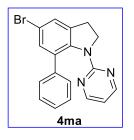
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.18 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.92, 156.43, 141.97, 141.28, 135.21, 130.52, 129.04, 127.92, 126.43, 126.32, 126.21, 118.20, 112.27, 51.40, 30.91.

IR (KBr disk): 3029, 2960, 2900, 1575, 1552, 1457, 1432, 1287, 1225, 1127 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

5-bromo-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4ma)



The product **4ma** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.25) to give product as a yellow brown solid (66.7 mg, 63% yield). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 - 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.32 - 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.06 (m, 3H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, *J* = 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.32 - 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.06 (m, 3H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, *J* = 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.32 - 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.06 (m, 3H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1

8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H).

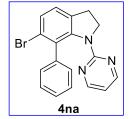
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131.43, 127.98, 126.52, 126.45, 116.00, 112.12, 52.18, 29.28.

IR (KBr disk): 3027, 2920, 2854, 1575, 1550, 1463, 1441, 1292, 1223, 1192cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

6-bromo-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4na)



The product 4**na** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.30) to give product as a yellow solid (17.6 mg, 17 % yield).

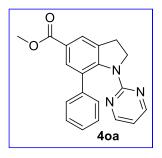
¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (tt, *J* = 7.4, 3.8 Hz, 2H), 6.39 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.11 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.81, 156.46, 143.57, 139.77, 134.55, 130.32, 129.63, 127.89, 127.10, 126.68, 124.71, 122.46, 112.12, 53.04, 29.41.

IR (KBr disk): 3032, 2919, 2854, 1577, 1556, 1444, 1421, 1206, 1175 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{18}H_{15}BrN_3^+[M + H]^+352.0444$, found: 352.0448.

methyl 7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline-5-carboxylate (40a)



The product **4oa** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 7:1, Rf = 0.45) to give product as a yellow brown solid (65.9 mg, 66% yield).

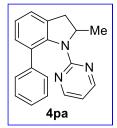
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 – 7.94 (m, 3H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (dt, *J* = 13.9, 7.0 Hz, 3H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.24 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.98, 158.62, 156.44, 145.25, 141.37, 134.99, 131.75, 129.08, 127.93, 126.55, 126.32, 124.90, 124.77, 112.65, 52.38, 51.92, 28.76.

IR (KBr disk): 3034, 2918, 2850, 1699, 1606, 1570, 1552, 1454, 1441, 1337, 1305, 1281, 1234, 1202, 1126 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

2-methyl-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4pa)



The product **4pa** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 6:1, Rf = 0.50) to give product as a yellowish solid (74.4 mg, 86% yield).

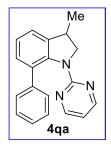
¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.33 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (p, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 1.54 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.63, 156.40, 142.28, 139.45, 133.68, 130.64, 128.78, 127.81, 126.42, 125.88, 124.04, 123.70, 111.68, 59.43, 36.74, 21.09.

IR (KBr disk): 3027, 2969, 2856, 1577, 1548, 1463, 1436, 1280, 1211, 1117 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

3-methyl-7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (4qa)



The product **4qa** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 10:1, Rf = 0.40) to give product as a yellow solid (77.6 mg, 90% yield).

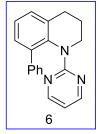
¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.35 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (h, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.16, 156.44, 142.05, 140.57, 140.02, 130.16, 128.95, 127.80, 126.59, 125.94, 123.86, 122.34, 111.64, 59.91, 36.10, 18.94.

IR (KBr disk): 3030, 2959, 2870, 1737, 1575, 1441, 1241, 1132, 1047 cm⁻¹.

This compound is known.^[4]

8-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoline (6)

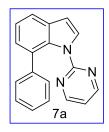


The product **6** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 15:1, Rf = 0.45) to give product as a yellow solid (41.4 mg, 48% yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.06 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 6.24 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 2H), 2.77 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.18 – 2.04 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.22, 156.95, 141.11, 137.49, 137.26, 135.42, 128.40, 127.92, 127.69, 127.31, 126.19, 125.05, 110.92, 45.07, 27.28, 25.10. This compound is known.^[5]

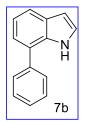
7-phenyl-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1H-indole (7a)



The product **7a** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 4:1, Rf = 0.45) to give product as a yellowish liquid (49.3 mg, 91% yield). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.16 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 2.9 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.7 Hz, 3H), 6.83 – 6.69 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 156.99, 156.87, 142.05, 132.73, 132.00, 129.22, 128.51, 127.71, 127.48, 125.86, 125.57, 122.09, 120.16, 116.63, 106.32.
This compound is known.^[4]

7-phenyl-1H-indole (7b)



The product **7b** was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether /Ethyl Acetate = 10:1, Rf = 0.41) to give product as a brown liquid (32.1 mg, 83% overall yield).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.37 (s, 1H), 7.66 – 7.59 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 6.61 (dd, J = 3.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³**C** NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 139.25, 133.68, 129.10, 128.24, 128.21, 127.37, 125.57, 124.31, 121.86, 120.27, 120.01, 103.03.

This compound is known.^[4]

IV. References

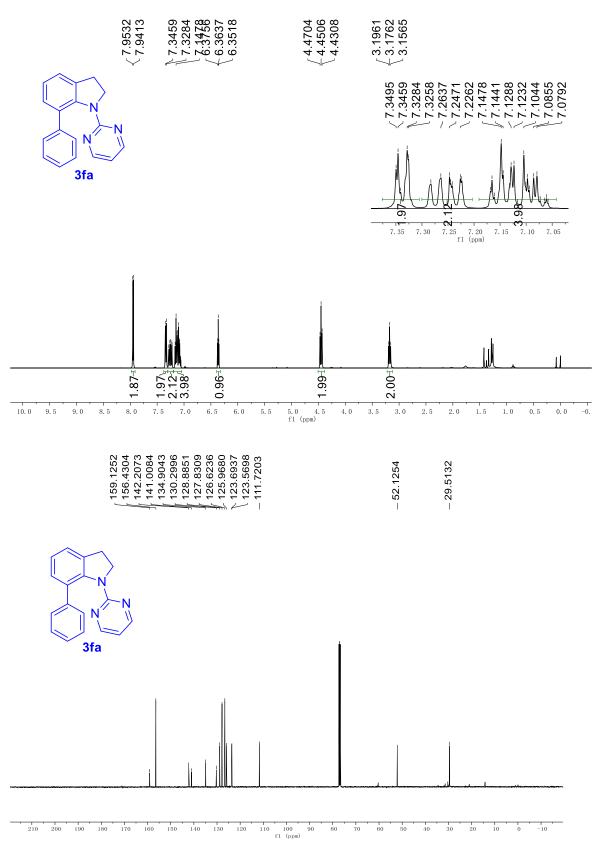
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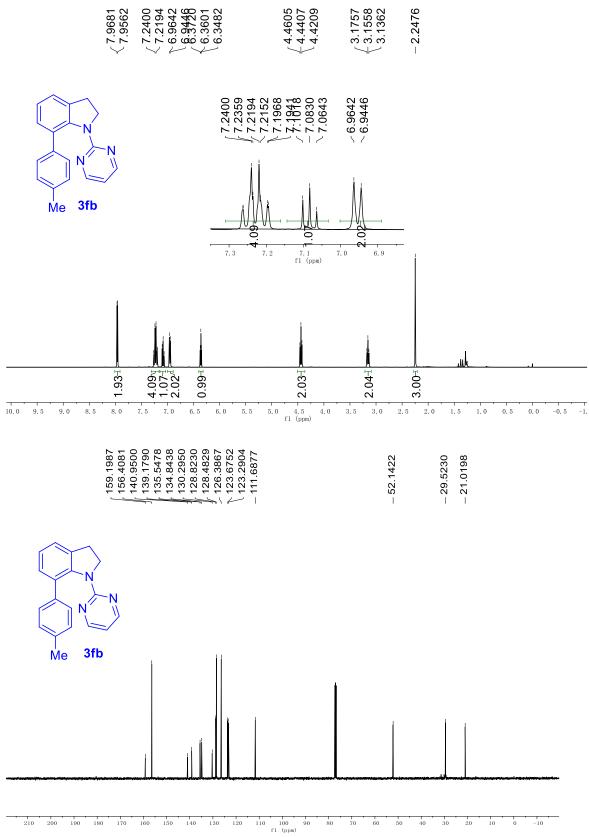
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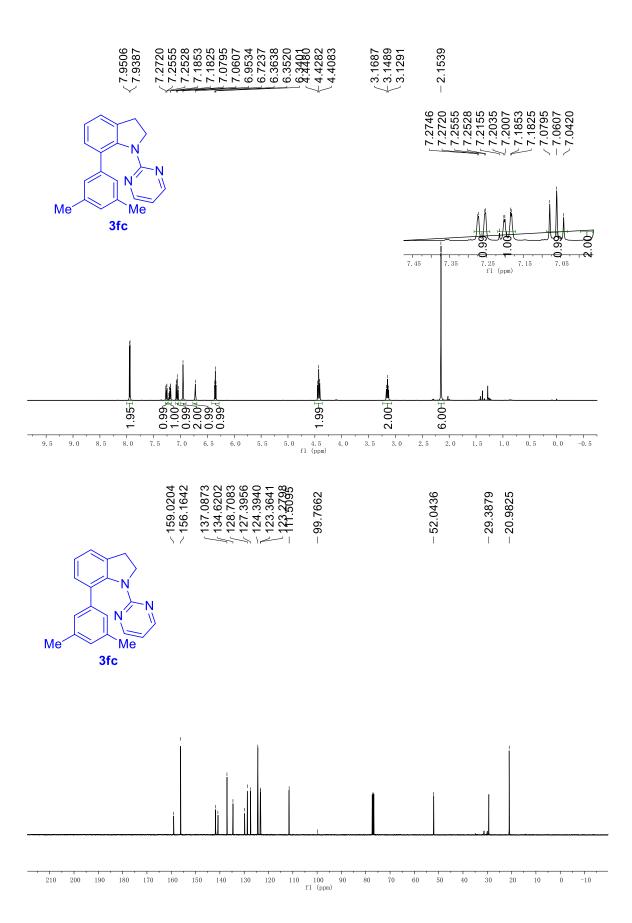
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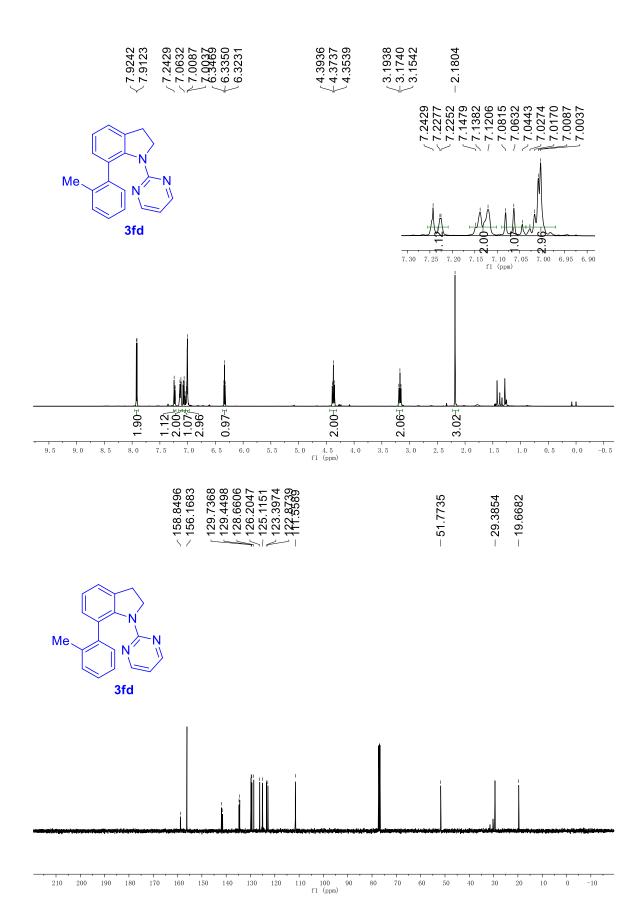
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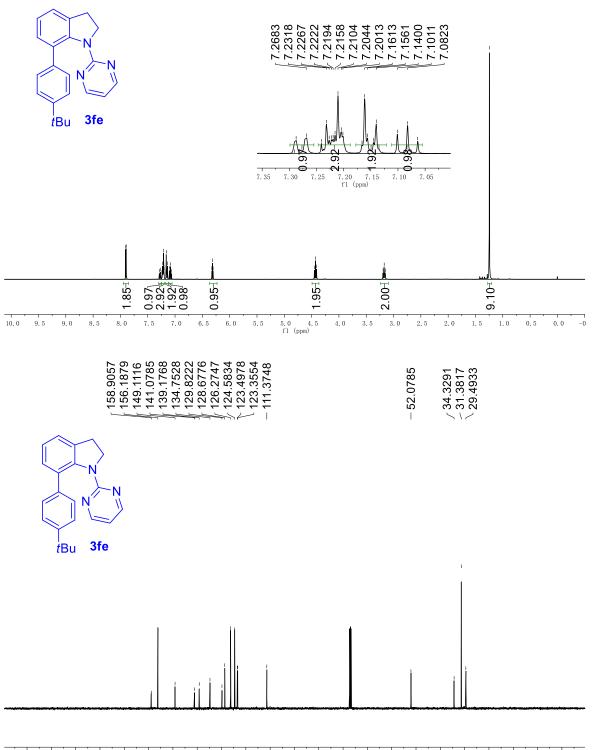




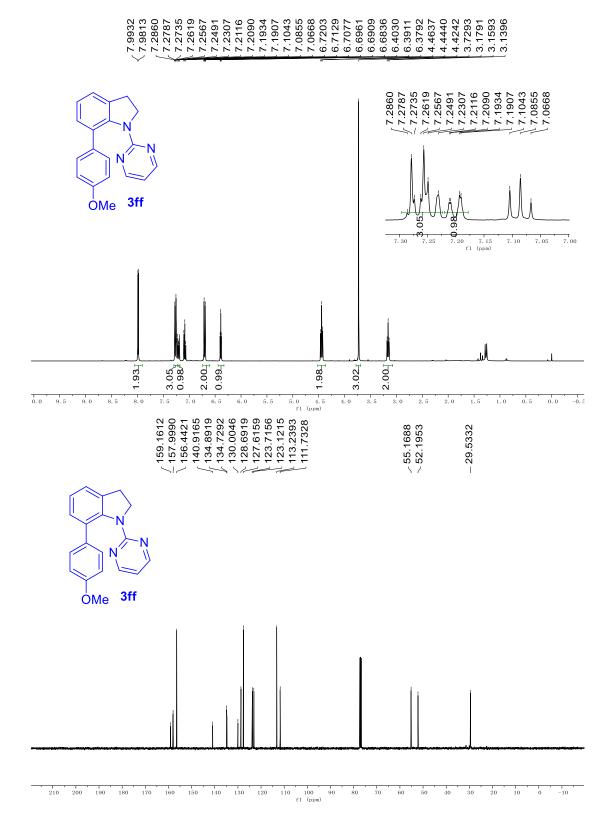


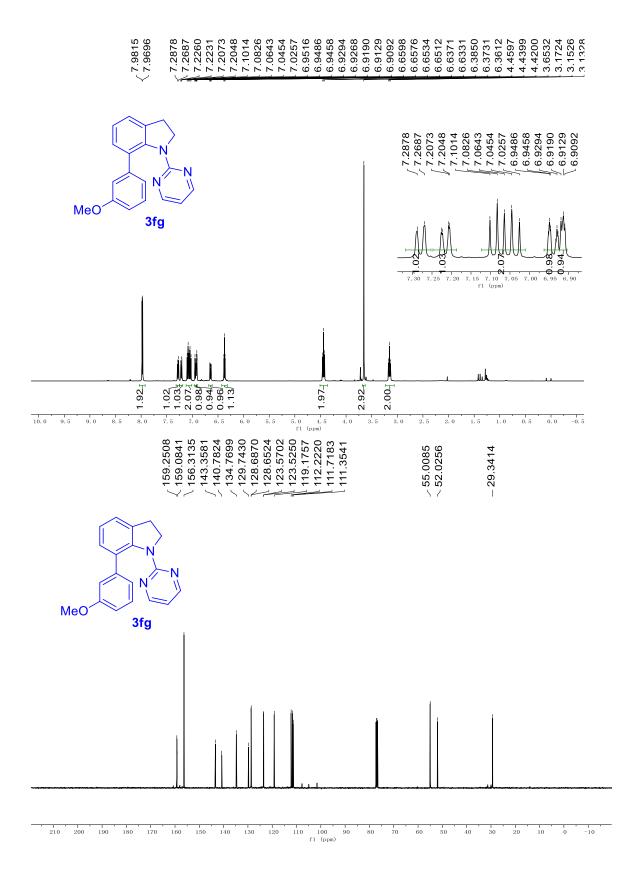


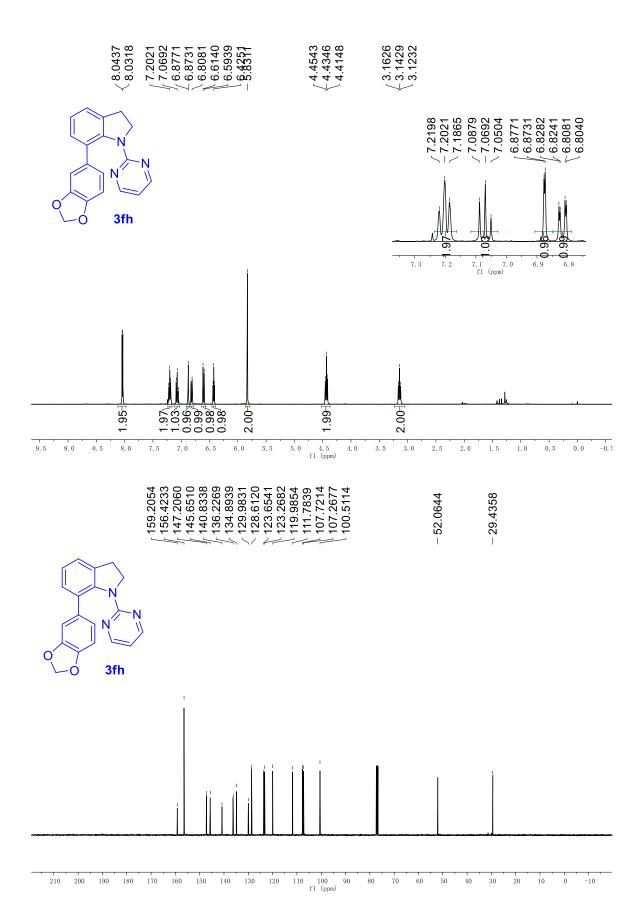


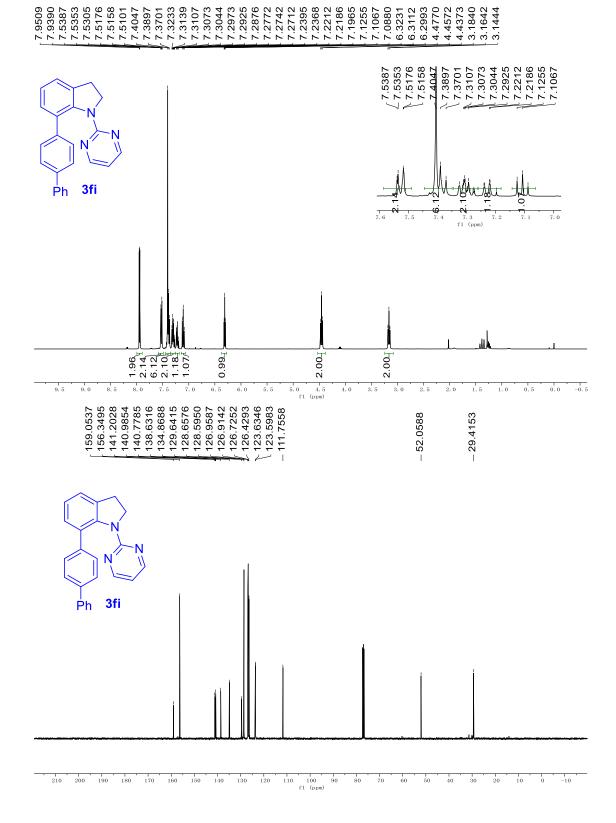


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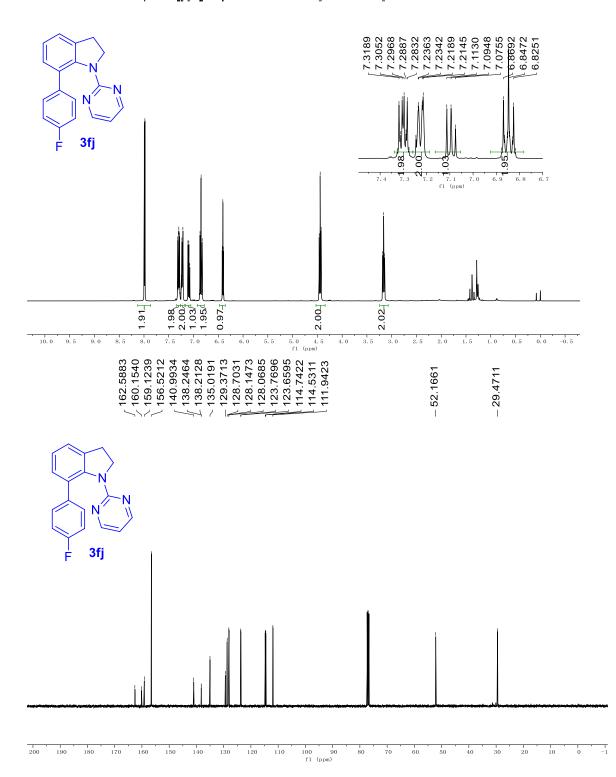




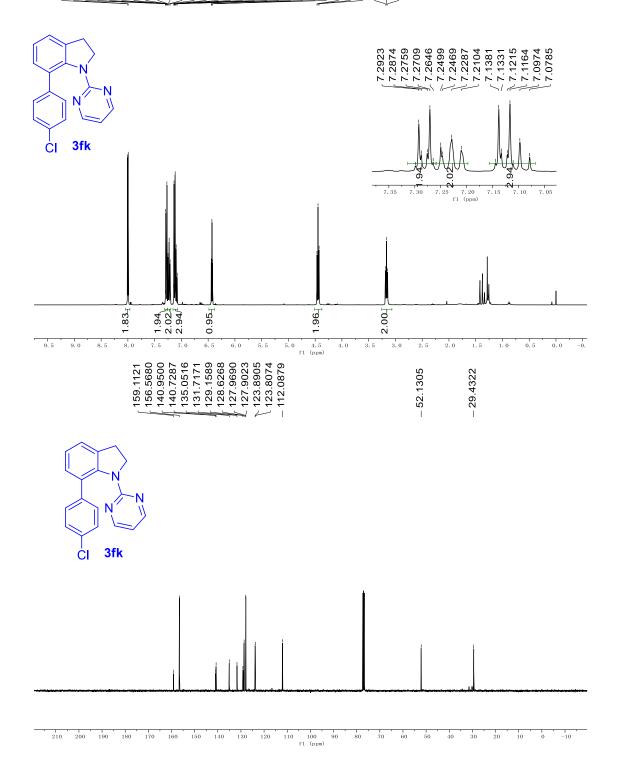


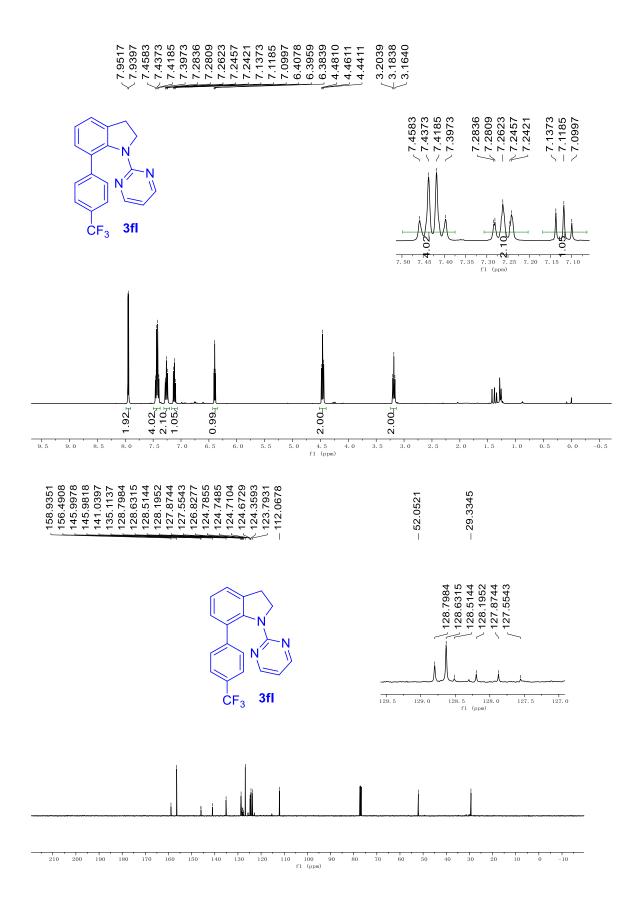


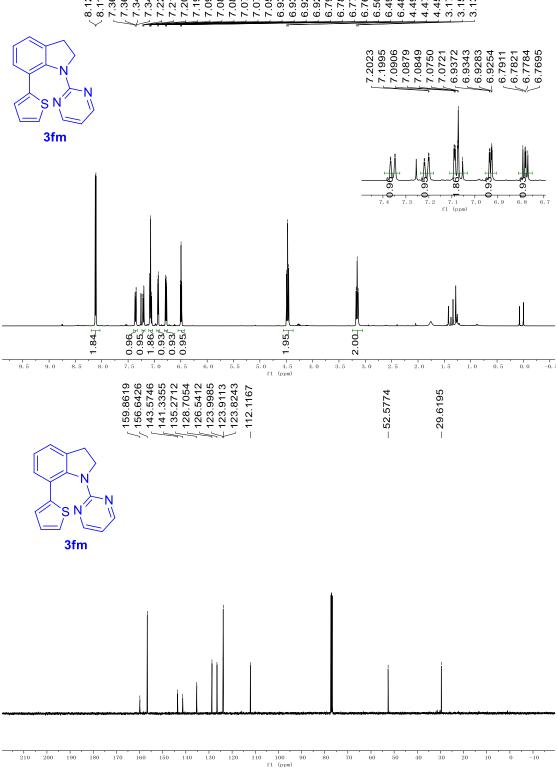


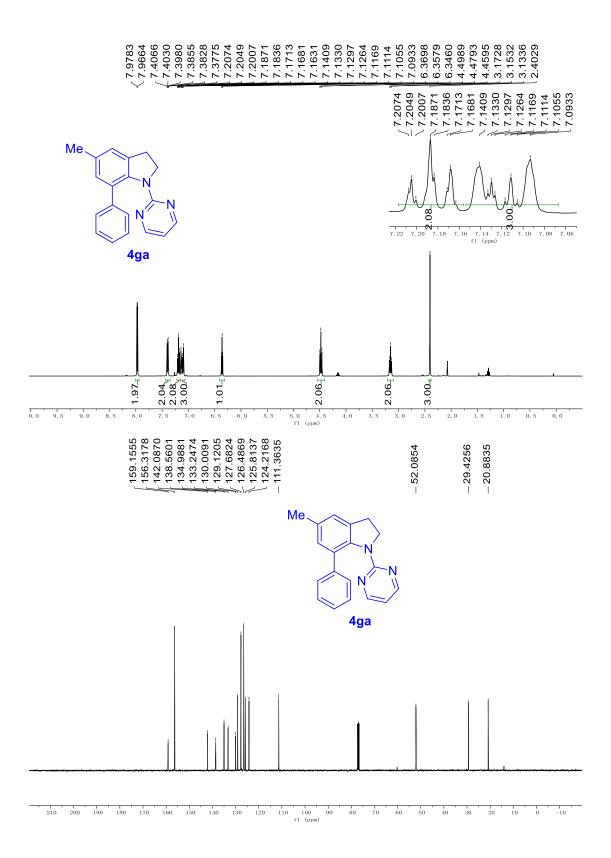


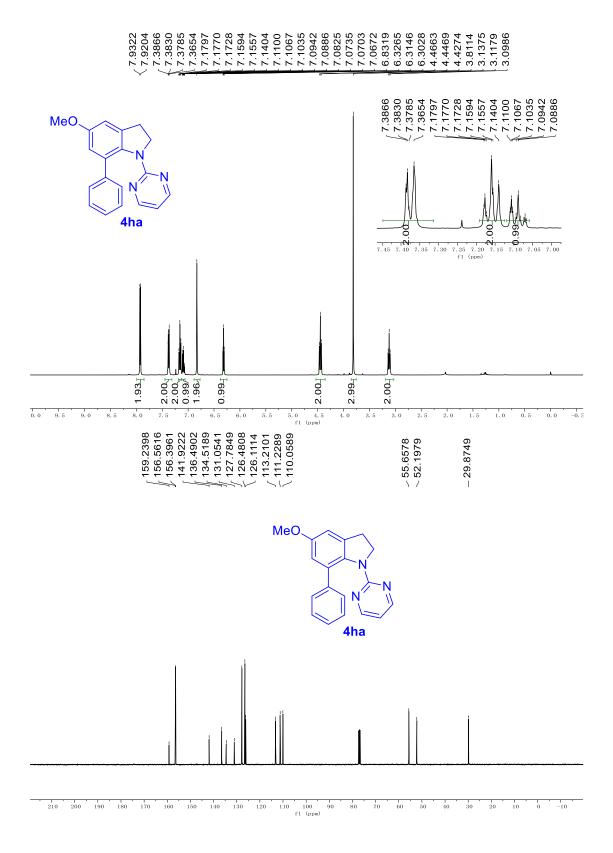
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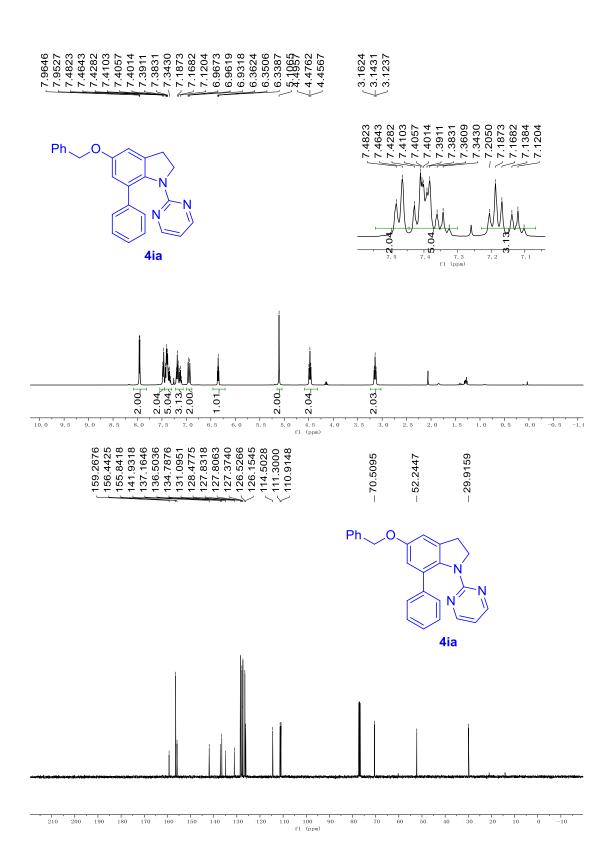


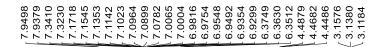


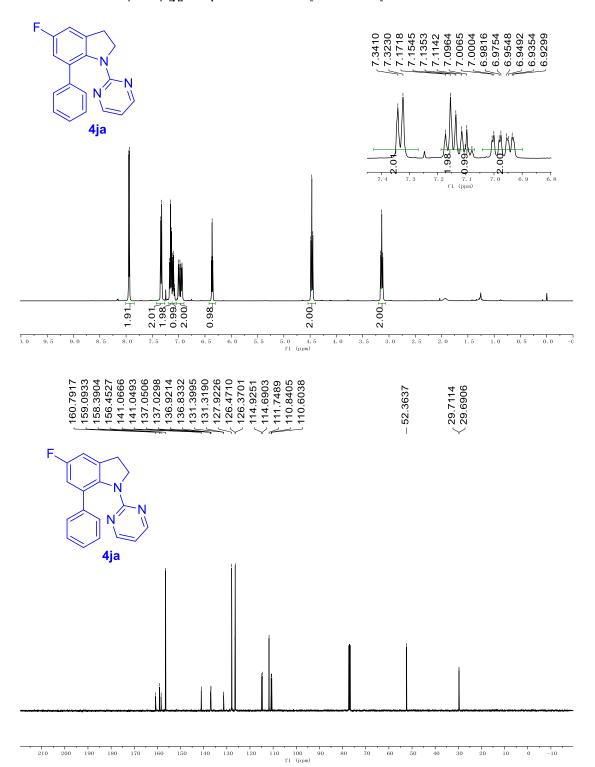


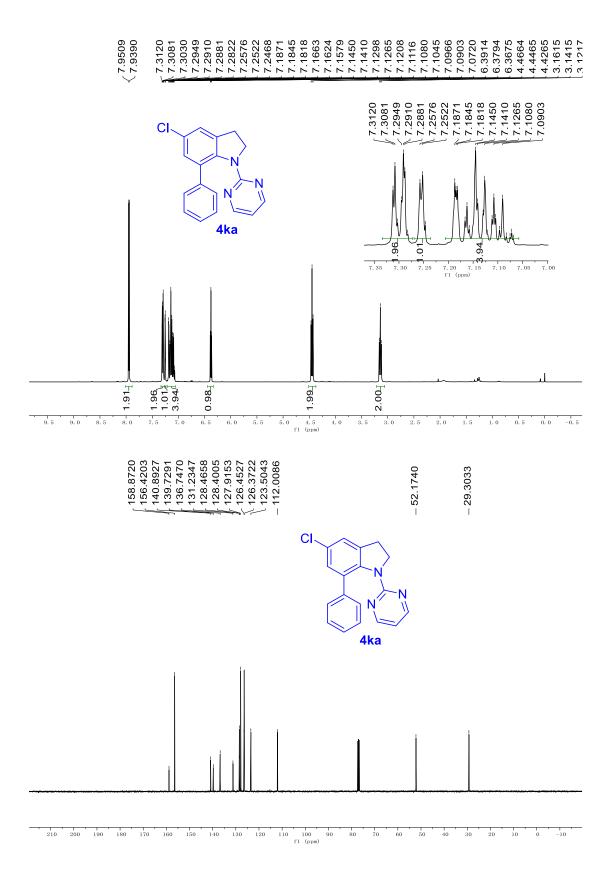


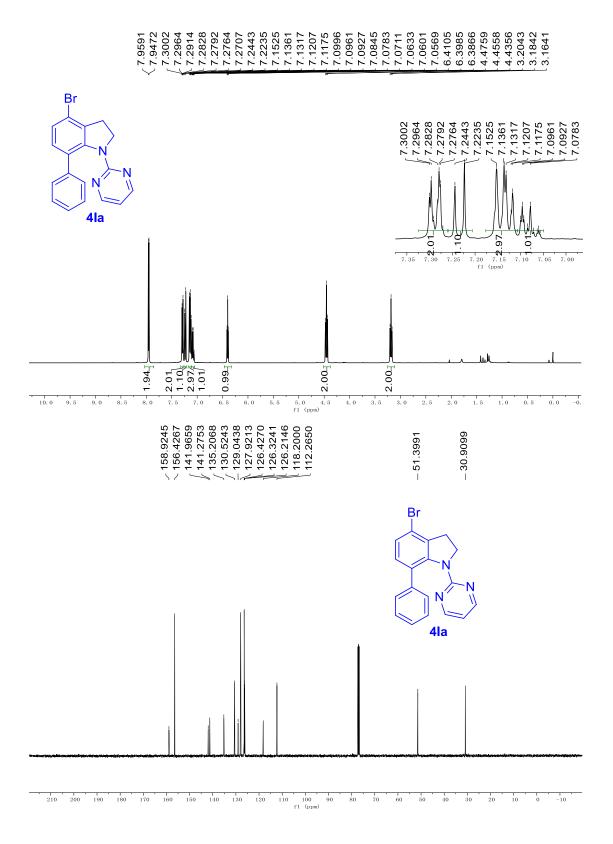




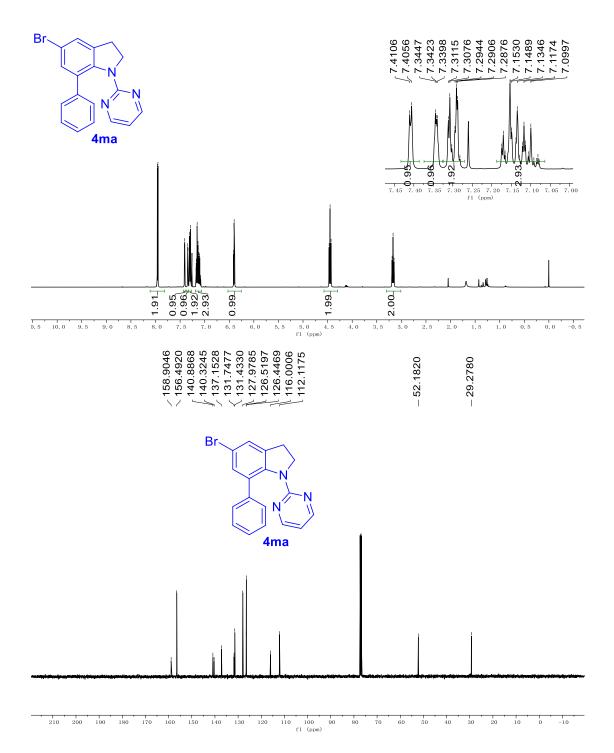




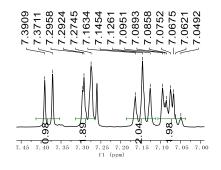




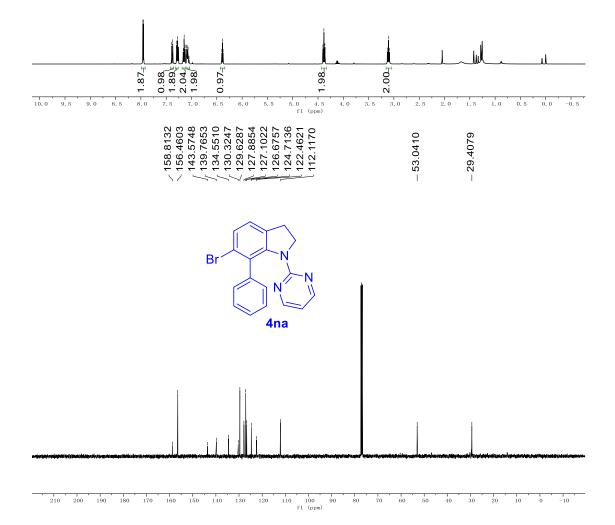


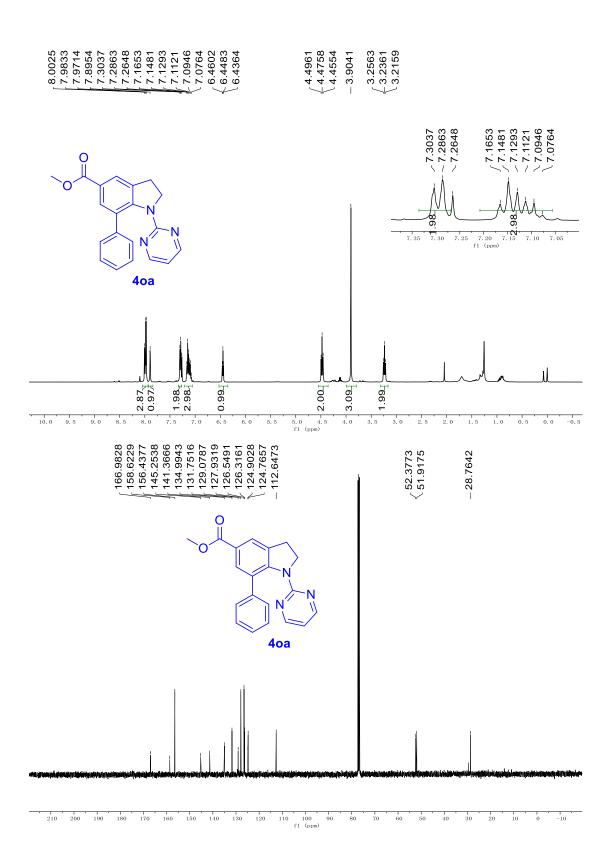


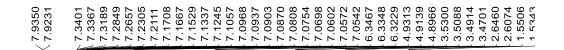


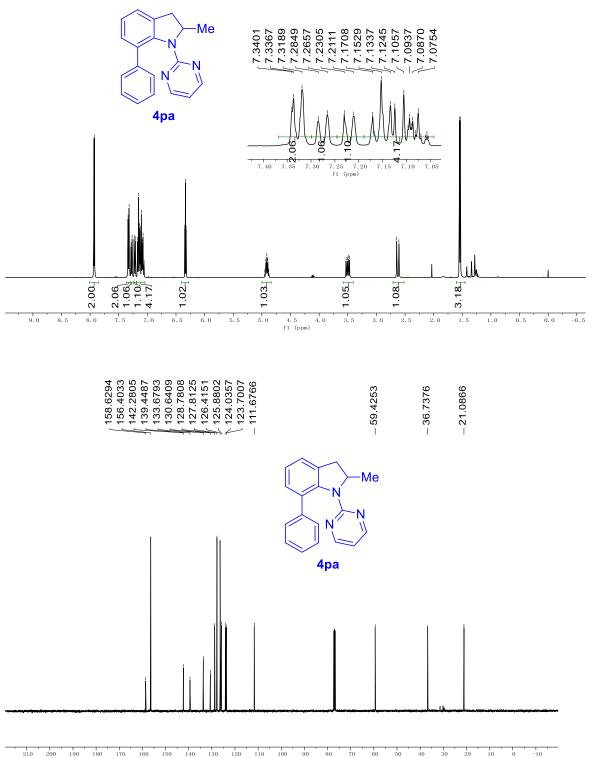




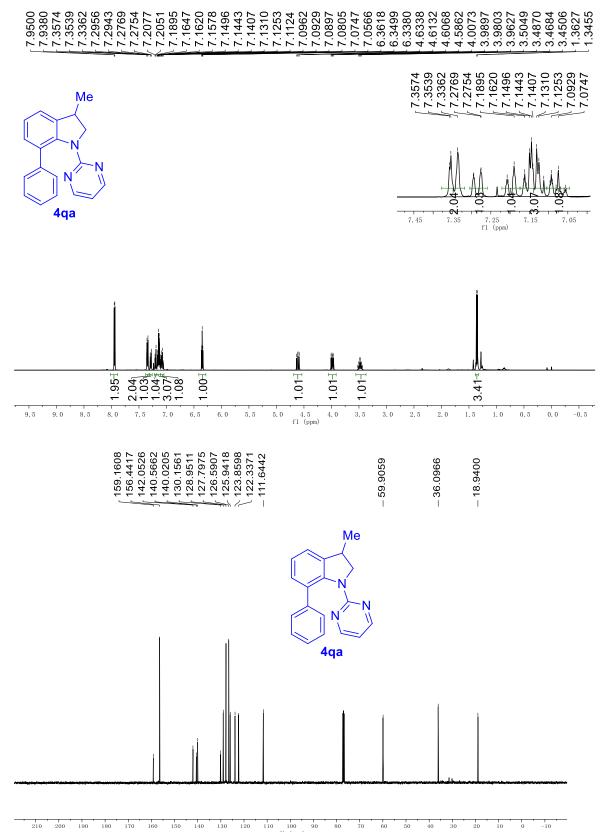








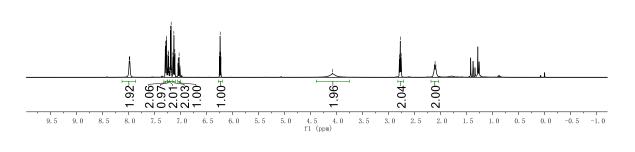
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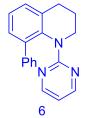


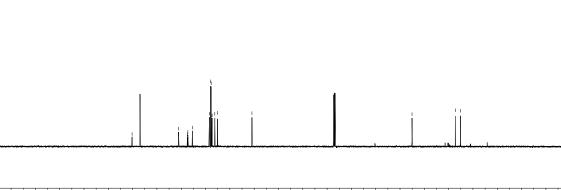


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