Supporting Information

Cu and Ag catalyzed oxidative arylthiation of terminal acetylenes

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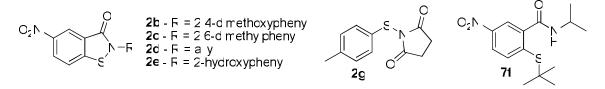
General Experimental.

¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at Bruker Avance 400 MHz NMR spectrometer with solvent residual peak (CDCl₃: ¹H = 7.24 ppm, ¹³C =77.23; (CD₃)₂CO: ¹H = 2.05 ppm, ¹³C = 206,68 ppm; (CD₃)₂SO: ¹H = 2.50 ppm, ¹³C = 39.51 ppm) as the internal reference unless otherwise noted. Data are reported in the following order: chemical shifts are given (δ); multiplicities are indicated b (broadened), s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), app (apparent); coupling constants, *J*, are reported in Hz. Peaks in IR are reported in cm⁻¹ with the following relative intensities: s (strong, 67-100%), m (medium, 40-67%), w (weak, 10-40%). HPLC analyses were carried out on an Acquity UPLC-MS Instrument (Waters Corporation), GC-MS analyses on Agilent GC-MS System (Agilent Technologies). Elemental analyses were carried out on Perkin Elmer PE 2400 Series II. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained on a LTQ Orbitrap XL (EI). IR spectra were measured with Bruker IFS 55 Equinox. Melting points were determined on a Boetius block and are not corrected. Column chromatography procedures were followed using 70-230 µm silica gel. Visualization was effected with ultraviolet light.

Terminal acetylenes, were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. Solvents such as DMF, DME for reaction media were obtained from commercial sources, dried over 4 Å molecular sieves and titrated for water level with a Karl Fischer Coulometer (Mettler Toledo DL 32) (water content below 10 ppm).

Synthesis of N-thioamides and Terminal Acetylenes

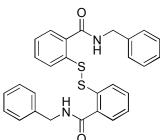
N-Thioamide **2b-2e**, *N*-Thioimide **2g**, *tert*-butylthio derivative **6f**, 2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoyl chloride and copper(I) 3-methylsalicylate (CuMeSal) were prepared according to the previously reported procedure.^{1,2}



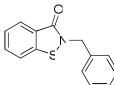
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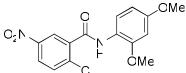
2,2'-Disulfanediylbis(*N*-benzylbenzamide) (7a). A mixture of 2,2'-dithiosalicylic acid (1.80 g; 5.86 mmol) and SOCl₂ (25 ml) was heated for 8 h at reflux. The excess SOCl₂ was evaporated and crude chloride was used in next step without a purification. Benzylamine (2,8 ml; 25.65 mmol) was disolved in dry THF (45 ml), the reaction mixture was cooled down to 0 °C under dry atmosphere and crude chloride was added stepwise. The mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C and for 2.5 h at room temperature. It was poured in ice cooled 5% aqueous hydrochloric acid, the formed solid was filtered after 1 h and washed with water. Amide **7a** was obtained after drying and recrystallization from EtOH/acetone as a white crystalline product in 75 % yield (2.13 g). M.p.206.5-209 °C, (lit. 206 °C).^{3 1}H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 9.21 (t, *J* = 6.0, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 7.7, 1H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 0.9, 8.1, 1H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 6.0, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 166.8, 139.2, 136.8, 133.79, 131.1, 128.2, 127.9, 127.2, 126.8, 125.9, 125.8, 42.6.



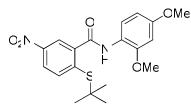
2-Benzylbenzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one (2a). Disulfide **7a** (200 mg; 0.41 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (1 ml) and CuMeSal (3.0 mg; 3 mol%) was added. Reaction mixture was stirred 2 days at 60 °C. When the reaction was complete, it was poured in ice cooled 5% hydrochloric acid. It was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x15 ml). The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄, filtered and the solvent was evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 5:1:2) to afford **2a** in 90 % yield (180 mg). M.p. 86-88,5 °C. (lit. 86-89 °C).⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.08 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 8.1, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 5.04 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 165.6, 140.6, 136.4, 132.0, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.0, 125.7, 124.7, 120.6, 47.8.

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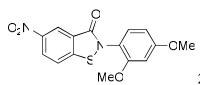


2-Chloro-*N***-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-5-nitrobenzamide** (8b). Amide **8b** was obtained from 2,4-dimethoxyaniline (5.0 g; 32.64 mmol) and 2-chloro-5nitrobenzoyl chloride (6.0 g; 27.27 mmol) as a yellow-orange crystalline product after recrystallization from acetone in 89% yield (8.20 g). M.p.186-186.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 9.86 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 2.7, 1H), 8.31 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 8.8, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.7, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1H), 6.56 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 8.8, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 163.0, 157.8, 152.5, 145.9, 137.9, 137.2, 131.2, 125.4, 124.6, 123.9, 119.2, 104.2, 99.0, 55.8, 55.4. IR (KBr): 3365 m (NH), 1666 s (CONH), 1650 s (CONH), 1528 s, 1348 s (NO₂), 1305 s, 1207 s, 1107 s, 1039 s, 1024 s, 936 s, 833 s, 740 s, 613 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₅H₁₃ClN₂O₅: C, 53.50; H, 3.89; N, 8.32. Found: C, 53.46; H, 3.76; N, 8.21.



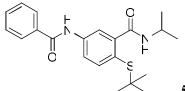
2-(tert-Butylthio)-N-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-5-nitrobenz-

amide (7b). *tert*-Butylthioether **7b** was obtained from amide **8b** (7.4 g; 21.98 mmol) as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from acetone in 92% yield (7.9 g). M.p.161-163 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 9.81 (s, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1H), 8.27 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 8.6, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.6, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.7, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1H), 6.56 (dd, *J* = 2.6, 8.8, 1H), 3.84 (s, *J* = 20.0, 3H), 3.77 (s, *J* = 5.1, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 164.3, 157.5, 152.2, 146.5, 143.2, 139.4, 137.6, 124.4, 123.6, 122.9, 119.7, 104.3, 99.0, 55.8, 55.4, 48.5, 31.0. IR (KBr): 3215 m (NH), 3194 m (NH), 1657 s (CONH), 1536 s (CONH), 1524 s (NO₂), 1348 s (NO₂), 1286 s, 1209 s, 1158 s, 1045 m, 1034 m, 930 m, 832 m, 741 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₉H₂₂N₂O₅S: C, 58.45; H, 5.68; N, 7.17. Found: C, 58.40; H, 5.66; N, 7.02.



2-(2,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-nitrobenzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-

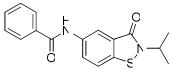
one (2b). *N*-thioamide **2b** was obtained from *tert*-butylthioether **7b** (4,0 g; 10.24 mmol) as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from THF/hexane in 82% yield (2.81 g). M.p. 199-200,5 °C (ethanol). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 8.56 (d, *J* = 1.9, 1H), 8.53 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.6, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1H), 6.65 (dd, *J* = 2.6, 8.7, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 162.9, 161.4, 156.6, 148.1, 145.5, 130.9, 126.2, 124.1, 123.7, 121.2, 116.2, 105.4, 99.5, 56.0, 55.6. IR (KBr): 1657 s (C=O), 1518 s (NO₂), 1509 s, 1340 s (NO₂), 1282 m, 1264 s, 1208 s, 1038 m, 1025 s, 827 m, 742 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₅S: C, 54.21; H, 3.64; N, 8.34. Found: C, 53.82; H, 3.61; N, 8.19.



5-Benzamido-2-(tert-butylthio)-N-isopropylbenzamide

(7f-2). *tert*-Butylthioether **7f** (7.4 g; 25.0 mmol) was dissolved in EtOH (250 ml). Charcoal (200 mg) and hydrazine hydrate (10 ml) were added and resulting reaction mixture was heated for 16 h at 50 °C under presure of Ar. After removing the solvent and excess of hydrazine by co-destialtion with ethanol (4x150 ml), the crude solid product was used without further purification in next step. The crude amine was dissolved in THF (100 ml), potassium carbonate (10 g) was added and the reaction mixture was cooled down to 0 °C. Benzoyl chloride (4.2 g; 3.5 ml) was slowly added and reaction was stirred for 6 h at 0 °C. The inorganic salts were filtered and the solvent was removed. Amide **6f-2** was obtained after drying as a white solid product in 78 % yield (7.22 g). M.p.206-208 °C (ethyl acetate/hexane). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.36 (dd, *J* = 2.6, 8.5, 1H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 7.4, 1H), 7.93 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.4, 1H), 7.52 (dt, *J* = 1.7, 2.5, 1H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 4.02 – 3.91 (m, 1H), 1.24 (s, 9H), 1.14 (d, *J* = 6.6, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 166.4, 166.3, 141.5, 141.1, 140.2, 135.0, 132.2, 128.9, 127.6, 123.5, 122.4, 121.7, 48.8, 42.4, 30.9, 22.8. IR (KBr): 3288 s (NH), 3253 m (NH), 3162 m(NH), 1672 s (CONH), 1633 s (CONH), 1590 s, 1580 s, 1538 s (CONH), 1523 s (CONH), 1468 s, 1456 s,

1311 s (CONH), 1258 s, 1165 m, 905 m, 893 m, 700 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₁H₂₆N₂O₂S: C, 68.08; H, 7.07; N, 7.56. Found: C, 67.92; H, 6.92; N, 7.47.



N-(2-Isopropyl-3-oxo-2,3-dihydrobenzo[d]isothiazol-5-

yl)benzamide (2f). TMSC1 (0.51 ml, 4.02 mmol) was added to a solution of *tert*butylthioether **6f-2** (800 mg; 2.21 mmol) and DMSO (0.3 ml; 4.22 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (35 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 0 °C and overnight at room temperature under drying tube. Hexane was added (aprox. 50 ml) and the mixture was allowed to stand for 3 h in freezer. The product was separated by filtration and washed with hexane. *N*-thioamide **2f** was obtained after drying as an yellowish crystalline product in 87 % yield (590 mg). M.p. 189-190.5 °C (ethyl acetate). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 10.50 (s, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 1.9, 1H), 8.04 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 8.8, 1H), 8.02 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 7.65 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 4.84 – 4.73 (m, 1H), 1.35 (d, *J* = 6.7, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 165.6, 163.7, 137.1, 134.6, 134.6, 131.6, 128.3, 127.6, 125.2, 124.6, 121.9, 116.1, 45.4, 21.7. IR (KBr): 3336 s (NH), 2979 m (CH₃), 1674 s, 1636 s (CONH), 1585 m, 1524 s (CONH), 1471 s, 1303 s (CONH), 1263 m, 1255 m, 888 m, 825 s, 766 m, 712 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₇H₁₆N₂O₂S: C, 65.36; H, 5.16; N, 8.97. Found: C, 65.09; H, 5.09; N, 8.79.

(Phenylethynyl)copper (1a) was prepared from phenylacetylene (1.07 g; 10.5 mmol) and CuI (2.02 g; 10.5 mmol) following the procedure described by Lei ⁵ in 32 % yield (0.55 g).

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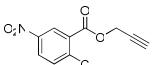
Diethyl 2-methyl-2-(prop-2-ynyl)malonate (1b) was prepared from diethyl 2-methylmalonate (1.74 g; 10 mmol) following the procedure described by Dénès and Renaud⁶ in 90 % yield (1.9 g). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 4.26 – 4.11 (m, 4H), 2.76 (d, *J*

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= 2.7, 2H), 1.99 (t, J = 2.7, 1H), 1.53 (d, J = 8.8, 3H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.1, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.0, 79.5, 71.4, 61.8, 53.3, 26.0, 19.9, 14.2.



Prop-2-ynyl 2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoate (1c). The solution of propargyl acohol (0.60 ml; 10.20 mmol), pyridine (0.80 ml; 10.2 mmol) and *N*,*N*-dimethylaminopyridine (5 mg) in dry dichloromethane (25 ml) was cooled down to 0 °C under atmosphere of Ar. Chloride **5** was added stepwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C , washed twice with HCl (5% water solution), brine and organic layer was dried with MgSO₄. After removing the solvent, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (dichloromethane) to afford **1c** in 96 % yield (1.57 g). M.p. 85.5-86.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.73 (d, *J* = 2.7, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 8.8, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 2.5, 2H), 2.56 (t, *J* = 2.5, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.8, 146.4, 141.3, 132.7, 130.5, 127.4, 127.0, 76.9, 76.2, 53.8. IR (CDCl₃): 3308 s, 2135 w, 1746 s (C=O), 1612 s, 1577 s, 1529 s (NO₂), 1469 s, 1352 s (NO₂), 1306 s, 1271 s, 1242 s, 1214 s, 1128 s, 1050 s, 983 m, 839 s, 787 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₀H₆ClNO₄: C, 50.13; H, 2.52; N, 5.85. Found: C, 50.07; H, 2.55; N, 5.48.

Copper Catalyzed Microwave Irradiation Experiments (Method A)

All microwave irradiation experiments were carried out in a CEM-Discover microwave system operating at a frequency of 2.45 GHz. *N*-Thioamide (0.5 mmol – 1.0 mmol), CuMeSal (1-3 mol%) and corresponding acetylene (1.3-2.0 eq.) (for solid acetylene) were added to a microwave tube (10 ml). The tube was sealed with a CEM "snap-on" cap and system was purged with Ar. DMF (purged with Ar before using) (1-2 ml) and corresponding acetylene (for liquid acetylene) were added via needle and syringe trough the septum directly into the microwave tube. Resulting reaction mixture was purged with Ar and irradiated in microwave oven with gas jet cooling (the power, exact times and temperature observed are included for individual trasformations below). The reaction progress was followed by UPLC. If the catalyst was added twice (for some of these experiments), the second portion was added as a solution in dry DMF, wich was purged with Argon before using. After the reaction was completed the mixture was poured in ice cooled 5% hydrochloric acid or water (in case of pyridine derivatives) and quenched reaction mixture was stirred for 0.5-3 h. The precipitate

was filtered, washed with water and dried (for solid crude product). It was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x). The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄, filtered and solvent was evaporated (for oil crude product). The product was purified by recrystallization or column chromatography.

Copper Catalyzed Non Irradiation Experiments (Method B)

N-Thioamide (1 mmol – 4.0 mmol), CuMeSal (1-3 mol%) and corresponding acetylene (1.3-2.0 eq.) (for solid acetylene) were added to a Schlenk flask (25 ml). The flask was sealed with a Suba-Seal and system was purged with Ar. DMF (purged with Ar before using) (3 ml) and corresponding acetylene (for liquid acetylene) were added via needle and syringe trough the septum directly into the Schlenk flask. The resulting reaction mixture was purged with Ar and stirred at 50-80 °C (exact times and temperature are included for individual trasformations below). The reaction progress was followed by UPLC. It was poured in ice cooled 5% hydrochloric acid or water (in case of pyridine derivatives) and the quenched reaction mixture was stirred for 0.5-3 h. The precipitate was filtered and washed with water. After drying the crude product was purified by recrystallization or column chromatography.

Silver Catalyzed Microwave Irradiation Experiments (Method C)

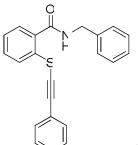
All microwave irradiation experiments were carried out in a CEM-Discover microwave system operating at a frequency of 2.45 GHz. *N*-Thioamide (0.7 mmol – 2.0 mmol), AgOAc (1-3 mol%) were added to a microwave tube (10 ml). The tube was sealed with a CEM "snap-on" cap. DMF (1-2 ml) and corresponding acetylene (1.2-2.0 eq.) were added. The resulting reaction mixture was irradiated in microwave oven with gas jet cooling (the power, exact times and temperature observed are included for individual trasformations below). The reaction progress was followed by UPLC. If the catalyst was added twice (for some of these experiments), the second portion was added as a solid. It was poured in ice cooled 5% hydrochloric acid. The quenched reaction mixture was stirred for 0.5-1 h. The precipitate was filtered, washed with water. Product was purified by recrystallization or column chromatography.

Silver Catalyzed Non Irradiation Experiments (Method D)

N-Thioamide (1 mmol – 1.5 mmol), AgOAc (1-3 mol%) were added to a reaction tube. DMF (1.5-3 ml) and corresponding acetylene were added and the reaction tube was sealed with a cap. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 50-70 °C (the exact times and temperature are included for individual trasformations below). The reaction progress was followed by UPLC. It was poured in ice cooled 5% hydrochloric acid and the quenched reaction mixture was stirred for 0.5-1 h. The precipitate was filtered and washed with water. After drying the crude product was purified by recrystallization or column chromatography.

Experiments with stoichiometric amount of phenylacetylide (1a).

N-Thioamide **2d** (0.1 mmol) or *N*-thioimide **2g** (0.1 mmol) or di(4-tolyldisulfide) and phenylacetylide **1a** (0,105 mmol) were dissolved in DMF (1 mL) (poured with Ar before using) under presure of Ar. The reaction mixture was stirred for 14 h at 60 °C. The reaction progerss was followed by HPLC.

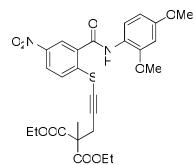


N-benzyl-2-(phenylethynylthio)benzamide (3a). The Method A was

followed, using *N*-thioamide **2a** (140 mg; 0.58 mmol) and phenylacetylene (0.13 ml; 1.16 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 150 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 175 °C and the temperature was maintained for 1 h. The next portion of CuMeSal (1 mol %) was added and the reaction mixture was irradiated under 250 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 200 °C and the temperature was maintained for 10 min. Thioacetylene **3a** was obtained as a white crystalline product after column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 5:1:2) in 90% yield (180 mg).

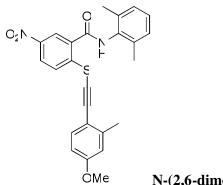
The Method C was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2a** (0.49 mg; 2.00 mmol) and phenylacetylene (0.45 ml; 4.00 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 130 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 165 °C and the temperature was maintained for 0.5 h. The next portion of AgOAc (1 mol %) was added and the reaction

mixture was irradiated under 130 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 165 °C and the temperature was maintained for 10 min. Thioacetylene **3a** was obtained as a white crystalline product after column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂) in 88% yield (610 mg). M.p.123.5-125.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00 (dd, J = 0.7, 8.1, 1H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.37 – 7.27 (m, J = 4.4, 7.5, 14.8, 8H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 6.33 (bs, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 5.7, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.3, 138.0, 135.4, 132.2, 132.0, 131.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.4, 126.2, 123.2, 98.7, 77.3, 44.4. IR (KBr): 3282 s (NH), 3078 w, 3062 w, 3032 w, 2166 w, 1635 (CONH), 1541 m (CONH), 1435 m, 1365 w, 1315 m, 752 s, 734 s, 691 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₂H₁₇NOS: C, 76.94; H, 4.99; N, 4.08. Found: C, 76.84; H, 4.99; N, 3.93.



Diethyl 2-(3-(2-(2,4-dimethoxyphenylcarbamoyl)-4-

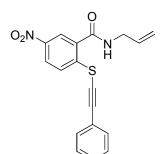
nitrophenylthio)prop-2-ynyl)-2-methylmalonate (3b). The Method A was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2b** (230 mg; 0.70 mmol) and diethyl 2-methyl-2-(prop-2-ynyl)malonate (0.19 ml; 0.91 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 100 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 150 °C and the temperature was maintained for 10 min. Thioacetylene **3b** was obtained as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOAc/hexane in 92 % yield (350 mg). M.p. 119-120.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 9.23 (bs, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 8.37 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.9, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.7, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1H), 6.57 (dd, *J* = 2.6, 8.8, 1H), 4.27 – 4.18 (m, 4H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.11 (s, 2H), 1.57 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.1, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 171.9, 164.9, 159.8, 153.6, 147.3, 146.3, 134.4, 129.6, 126.8, 125.2, 124.3, 121.6, 105.7, 100.3, 99.3, 69.9, 63.0, 57.0, 56.5, 54.7, 28.9, 21.0, 15.0. IR (KBr): 3397 m (NH), 3099 w, 3084 w, 2981 w, 2939 w, 2837 w, 2196 w, 1735 s (C=O), 1663 s (CONH), 1605 m, 1537 s (CONH), 1518 s (NO₂), 1456 m, 1417 m, 1343 s (NO₂), 1301 m, 1248 m, 1207 s, 1113 m, 1029 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₆H₂₈N₂O₉S: C, 57.34; H, 5.18; N, 5.14. Found: C, 57.18; H, 5.19; N, 5.02.



N-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-2-((4-methoxy-2-methylphenyl)ethynyl-

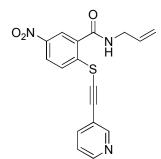
thio)-**5**-nitrobenzamide (3c). The Method A was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2c** (300 mg; 1.00 mmol) and diethyl 1-ethynyl-4-methoxy-2-methylbenzene (200 mg; 1.40 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 100 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 150 °C and the temperature was maintained for 20 min. Thioacetylene **3c** was obtained as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOH in 86 % yield (385 mg).

The Method D was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2c** (300 mg; 1.00 mmol) and diethyl 1ethynyl-4-methoxy-2-methylbenzene (200 mg; 1.40 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 h at 55 °C. Thioacetylene **3c** was obtained as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOH in 90 % yield (400 mg). M.p. 240-241 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.53 (d, *J* = 2.3, 1H), 8.31 (dd, *J* = 2.3, 8.9, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.9, 1H), 7.47 (bs, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.5, 1H), 7.19 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 2.4, 1H), 6.71 (dd, *J* = 2.5, 8.5, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 163.5, 160.2, 145.2, 144.5, 142.6, 135.3, 134.1, 134.1, 131.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.1, 126.2, 122.9, 115.2, 113.2, 111.9, 99.1, 76.9, 55.3, 20.6, 18.0. IR (KBr): 3222 m (NH), 3019 w, 2961 w, 2940 w, 2918 w, 2837 w, 2151 w, 1642 s (CONH), 1604 s, 1570 m, 1514 s (NO₂), 1496 s, 1467 m, 1376 w, 1342 s (NO₂), 1319 m (CONH), 1299 m, 1283 m, 1257 m, 1229 m, 1047 m, 831 m, 767 m, 739 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₀H₁₈N₂O₅S: C, 67.25; H, 4.97; N, 6.27. Found: C, 67.19; H, 4.86; N, 6.15.



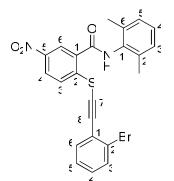
N-Allyl-5-nitro-2-(phenylethynylthio)benzamide (3d). The

Method B was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2d** (0.94 g; 4.00 mmol) and phenylacetylene (0.8 ml; 1.82 mmol). After 44 h at 65 °C thioacetylene **3d** was obtained as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOH/acetone in 93% yield (1.25 g). M.p.179-180 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 2.4, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.9, 1H), 7.57 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 6.30 (bs, 1H), 5.94 (ddt, *J* = 5.8, 10.2, 16.1, 1H), 5.36 – 5.27 (m, 1H), 5.27 – 5.21 (m, 1H), 4.10 (tt, *J* = 1.4, 5.8, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 165.2, 145.9, 145.6, 133.3, 132.3, 131.9, 129.6, 128.8, 128.8, 125.8, 122.3, 122.0, 118.0, 100.9, 75.2, 43.0. IR (KBr): 3290 m (NH), 3090 w, 3072 w, 3065 w, 2170 w, 1628 (CONH), 1600 m, 1532 m (CONH), 1517 s (NO₂), 1486 m, 1342 s (NO₂), 1314 m (CONH), 924 m, 757 m, 737 m 692 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₈H₁₄N₂O₃S: C, 63.89; H, 4.17; N, 8.28. Found: C, 63.74; H, 4.08; N, 8.07.



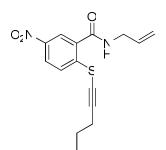
N-Allyl-5-nitro-2-(pyridin-3-ylethynylthio)benzamide (3e).

The Method B was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2d** (0.71 g; 3.00 mmol) and 3ethynylpyridine (0.43 g; 4.20 mmol). After 4 days at 55 °C thioacetylene **3e** was obtained as a beige crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOH in 96 % yield (0.98 g). M.p.170-172.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 9.32 (t, *J* = 5.6, 1H), 8.86 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, *J* = 2.5, 1H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 8.44 (dd, *J* = 2.5, 8.9, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.9, 1H), 8.07 (dt, *J* = 1.7, 7.9, 1H), 7.54 – 7.45 (m, *J* = 4.8, 7.8, 1H), 5.92 (ddt, *J* = 5.3, 10.5, 17.2, 1H), 5.27 – 5.19 (m, 1H), 5.18 – 5.11 (m, 1H), 3.98 – 3.88 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 164.4, 151.8, 149.4, 145.4, 143.1, 138.8, 134.5, 131.1, 128.2, 126.0, 123.5, 122.8, 118.7, 115.8, 96.6, 79.8, 41.7. IR (KBr): 3285 s (NH), 3089 w, 3074 w, 2173 w, 1651 s, 1637 s (CONH), 1602 m, 1552 s (CONH), 1512 s (NO₂), 1409 m, 1343 s (NO₂), 1314 m (CONH), 1287 m, 1248 m, 1047 m, 1022 m, 909 m, 817 m, 740 m, 703 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for $C_{17}H_{13}N_3O_3S$: C, 60.17; H, 3.86; N, 12.38. Found: C, 60.20; H, 4.00; N, 12.30.

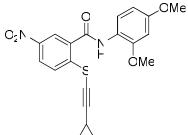


2-((2-Bromophenyl)ethynylthio)-N-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-5-

nitrobenzamide (3f). The Method A was followed, using N-thioamide 2c (150 mg; 0.50 mmol) and 1-bromo-2-ethynylbenzene (0.09 ml; 0.70 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 120 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 160 °C and the temperature was maintained for 15 min. Thioacetylene 3f was obtained as an yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOAc in 83 % yield (200 mg). M.p. 242-243.5 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMF-d7): 10.59 (bs, 1H, NH), 9.03 (d, $J_{6,4}$ = 2,4, 1H, H-6), 8.67 (dd, $J_{4,3} = 8.9$, $J_{4,6} = 2.4$, 1H, H-4), 8.60 (d, $J_{3,4} = 8.9$, 1H, H-3), 7.84 (dd, $J_{4',3'} = 8.1$, $J_{3',5'} = 1.2, 1H, H-3'$), 7.81 (dd, $J_{6',5'} = 87.7, J_{6',4'} = 1.7, 1H, H-6'$), 7.53 (ddd, $J_{5',6'} = 7.7, J_{5',4'}$ = 7.4, $J_{5',3'}$ = 1.2, 1H, H-5'), 7.45 (ddd, $J_{4',3'}$ = 8.1, $J_{4',5'}$ = 7.4, $J_{4',6'}$ = 1.7, 1H, H-4'), 7.20 (s, 3H, H-3",4",5"), 2.35 (s, 6H, 2xCH₃). ¹³C NMR (APT) (125.7 MHz, DMF-d7): 165.1 (C=O), 147.0 (C-5), 145.0 (C-2), 136.8 (C-2",6"), 135.8 (C-1"), 134.7 (CH-6"), 133.8 (CH-3[°]), 132. 8 (C-1), 132.0 (CH-4[°]), 129.8 (CH-3), 129.1 (CH-3[°], 5[′]), 129.0 (CH-5[°]), 128.3 (CH-4^{''}), 127.5 (CH-4), 125.5 (C-2[']), 125.2 (C-1[']), 124.4 (CH-6), 99.7 (C-8), 82.2 (C-7), 18.9 (CH₃). IR (KBr): 3245 m (NH), 2974 w, 2921 w, 2175 w, 1641 s (CONH), 1601 m, 1571 m, 1514 s (CONH, NO₂), 1467 m, 1342 s (NO₂), 1317 m, 1047 m, 764 m, 751 m, 738 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₃H₁₇N₂O₃S: C, 57.39; H, 3.56; N, 5.82. Found: C, 57.52; H, 3.70; N, 5.70.



N-Allyl-2-(hex-1-ynylthio)-5-nitrobenzamide The (3g). Method B was followed, using N-thioamide 2d (0.71 g; 3.00 mmol) and hex-1-yne (0.45 ml; 3.60 mmol). After 3 days at 50 °C next portion of hex-1-yne (0.35 ml; 3.00 mmol) was added. After 2 days at 50 °C thioacetylene **3g** was obtained as a yellow crystalline product after column chromatography (EtOAc/hexane 1:3) in 73% yield (0.69 g). M.p.140-141.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.31 (d, J = 2.4, 1H), 8.25 (dd, J = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.9, 1H), 6.28 (bs, 1H), 5.91 (ddt, J = 5.8, 10.2, 17.1, 1H), 5.32 - 5.25 (m, 1H), 5.24 - 5.19 (m, 1H), 4.07 (tt, J = 1.4, 5.8, 2H), 2.48 (t, J = 7.1, 2H), 1.64 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.40 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.3, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 165.3, 146.7, 145.4, 133.4, 131.8, 128.4, 125.6, 122.0, 117.9, 103.6, 64.8, 42.9, 30.8, 22.2, 20.3, 13.8. IR (CHCl₃): 3440 m (NH), 3388 w (NH), 3343 w (NH), 3090 w, 3026 m, 3013 m, 2961 s, 2935 s, 2875 m, 2865 m, 2191 w, 1664 (CONH), 1602 s, 1573 s, 1517 s (NO₂), 1456 m, 1343 s, 1278 m, 1053 m, 918 m, 836 m, 668 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for $C_{16}H_{18}N_2O_3S$: C, 60.36; H, 5.70; N, 8.80. Found: C, 60.36; H, 5.82; N, 8.73.

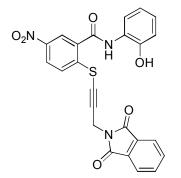


2-(Cyclopropylethynylthio)-N-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-5-

nitrobenzamide (3h). The Method B was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2b** (0.50 g; 1.50 mmol) and cyclopropylacetylene (0.19 ml; 2.25 mmol). After 41 h at 50 °C thioacetylene **3h** was obtained as a yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from acetone/EtOH in 89 % yield (535 mg).

The Method D was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2b** (0.50 g; 1.50 mmol) and cyclopropylacetylene (0.17 ml; 2.02 mmol). After 19 h at 50 °C thioacetylene **3h** was obtained as an yellow crystalline product after recrystallization from acetone/EtOH in 93 %

yield (555 mg). M.p. 202-203 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.42 (d, J = 2.1, 1H), 8.29 (dd, J = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.27 – 8.22 (m, 1H), 8.16 (bs, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.9, 1H), 6.53 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 1.54 – 1.47 (m, 1H), 0.96 – 0.90 (m, 2H), 0.89 – 0.83 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.9, 157.6, 150.0, 147.1, 145.6, 132.7, 128.5, 125.6, 122.0, 121.5, 120.5, 107.2, 104.2, 99.0, 60.4, 56.1, 55.8, 9.6, 1.2. IR (KBr): 3274 m (NH), 3099 w, 3006 w, 2960 w, 2939 w, 2832 w, 2168 w, 1641 s (CONH), 1614 s, 1602 m, 1573 m, 1540 s (CONH), 1518 s (NO₂), 1503 s, 1462 s , 1454 s, 1417 s, 1341 s (NO₂), 1311 s (CONH), 1284 s, 1211 s, 1160 s, 1121 s, 1041 s, 1033 s,872 m, 836 s, 829 s, 739 m cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₀H₁₈N₂O₅S: C, 60.29; H, 4.55; N, 7.03. Found: C, 60.16; H, 4.47; N, 6.89.



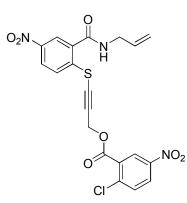
2-(3-(1,3-Dioxoisoindolin-2-yl)prop-1-ynylthio)-N-(2-

hydroxy-phenyl)-5-nitrobenzamide (3i). The Method B was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2e** (288 mg; 1.00 mmol) and *N*-propargylphtalimide (240 mg; 1.30 mmol). After 40 h at 55 °C thioacetylene **3i** was obtained as an yellowish crystalline product after recrystallization from acetone/EtOH/hexane in 92 % yield (435 mg). M.p.249-251.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 10.18 (bs, 1H), 9.72 (bs, 1H), 8.79 (s, 1H), 8.42 (dd, J = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.9, 1H), 7.95 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.90 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.49 (d, J = 7.3, 1H), 7.08 (td, J = 1.6, 8.0, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 1.1, 8.1, 1H), 6.82 (td, J = 1.3, 7.8, 1H), 4.75 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ 166.7, 163.6, 150.5, 145.3, 143.4, 134.6, 131.9, 131.4, 127.8, 126.7, 125.7, 125.7, 124.5, 123.6, 123.3, 118.8, 115.9, 96.2, 69.4, 28.2. IR (KBr): 3407 m (NH), 3205 m (OH), 3087 w, 1771 w (C=O), 1711 s (C=O), 1644 s (CONH), 1596 m, 1536 s (CONH), 1523 s (NO₂), 1454 s, 1418 s, 1393 s, 1346 s (NO₂), 1339 s, 1278 m, 1113 m, 939 m, 753 w, 742 w, 728 m, 712 w cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₄H₁₅N₃O₆S: C, 60.88; H, 3.19; N, 8.88. Found: C, 60.74; H, 3.27; N, 8.69.

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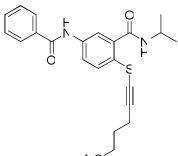
N-Benzyl-2-(pyridin-3-ylethynylthio)benzamide (3j). The Method A was followed, using N-thioamide 2a (170 mg; 0.70 mmol) and 3-ethynylpyridine (90 mg; 0.84 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 140 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 175 °C. The temperature was maintained for 60 min. The next portion of CuMeSal (2 mol %) was added. The reaction mixture was irradiated under 170 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 190 °C and the temperature was maintained for 15 min. Thioacetylene 3j was obtained as a yellowish crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOAc/hexane in 71 % yield (170 mg). M.p. 121-123.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 8.76 (d, J = 1.4, 1H), 8.58 (dd, J = 1.6, 4.9, 11H), 8.39 (bs, 1H), 8.10 (dd, J = 0.9, 8.1, 1H), 7.98 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J = 1.3, 7.7, 1H), 7.65 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.31 (m, 6H), 7.26 (tt, J = 7.3, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 6.1, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 168.2, 153.4, 150.5, 140.8, 139.8, 136.0, 133.6, 133.2, 129.9, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 127.7, 124.8, 121.5, 96.5, 83.3, 44.7. IR (KBr): 3203 m (NH), 3060 w, 3033 w, 3023 w, 2867 w, 2169 w, 1640 s (CONH), 1588 m, 1535 s (CONH), 1466 m, 1410 m, 1366 w, 1265 m, 1026 w, 751 m, 697 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for $C_{21}H_{16}N_2OS$: C, 73.23; H, 4.68; N, 8.13. Found: C, 73.17; H, 4.75; N, 7.97.



3-(2-(Allylcarbamoyl)-4-nitrophenylthio)prop-2-ynyl

2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoate (3k). The Method B was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2d** (0.47 g; 2.00 mmol) and prop-2-ynyl 2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoate (0.72 g; 2.80 mmol). After 4 days at 55 °C and 3 days at 80 °C thioacetylene **3k** was obtained as a yellowish crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOAc/hexane in 85 % yield (0.81 g).

The Method D was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2d** (235 mg; 1.00 mmol) and prop-2-ynyl 2chloro-5-nitrobenzoate (0.31 g; 1.30 mmol). After 26 h at 70 °C thioacetylene **3k** was obtained as a yellowish crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOAc/hexane in 91 % yield (435 mg). M.p.151.5-152.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 8.73 (d, *J* = 2.8, 1H), 8.64 (d, *J* = 2.2, 1H), 8.54 – 8.41 (m, 2H), 8.40 – 8.32 (m, 2H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 5.96 (ddt, *J* = 5.6, 10.4, 17.1, 1H), 5.39 (s, 2H), 5.32 – 5.24 (m, 1H), 5.16 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 4.08 – 4.03 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 166.3, 164.3, 148.2, 147.5, 145.5, 141.3, 136.0, 134.2, 133.6, 132.2, 129.9, 129.1, 127.8, 127.0, 124.0, 117.1, 97.3, 76.8, 55.9, 43.7. IR (KBr): 3406 w (NH), 3301 m (NH), 3095 m, 3078 m, 2192 w, 1721 (C=O), 1635 (CONH), 1609 m, 1574 m, 1520 s (NO₂), 1422 m, 1410 m, 1345 s (NO₂), 1281 s (C-O), 1262 s, 1241 m, 1147 m, 1133 m, 1046 m, 950 m, 935 m, 918 m, 837 m, 741 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₀H₁₄N₃O₇S: C, 50.48; H, 2.97; N, 8.83. Found: C, 50.26; H, 2.89; N, 8.61.

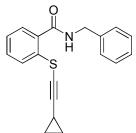


5-Benzamido-2-(5-cyanopent-1-ynylthio)-N-isopropyl-

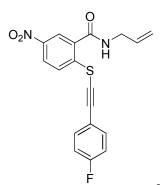
benzamide (31). The Method A was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2f** (160 mg; 0.50 mmol) and hex-5-ynenitrile (0.07 ml; 0.58 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 120 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 165 °C. The temperature was maintained for 30 min. The next portion of CuMeSal (2 mol %) and hex-5-ynenitrile (0.02 ml; 0.17 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was irradiated under 120 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 165 °C and the temperature was maintained for 40 min. Thioacetylene **31** was obtained as a white crystalline product after column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 3:1:2) in 88 % yield (180 mg).

The Method C was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2f** (225 mg; 0.70 mmol) and hex-5-ynenitrile (0.09 ml; 0.75 mmol). The reaction mixture was irradiated under 110 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 160 °C. The temperature was maintained for 20 min. The next portion of AgOAc (1 mol %) and hex-5-ynenitrile (0.03 ml; 0.26 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was irradiated under 130 W maximum microwave power to raise the internal temperature to 175 °C and the temperature was

maintained for 1 h. Conversion was 22 % (according HPLC). Product was not isolated. M.p. 130.5-131 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 9.68 (s, 1H), 8.11 (d, *J* = 2.3, 1H), 8.03 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.94 (dd, *J* = 2.3, 8.7, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.7, 1H), 7.63 – 7.49 (m, 4H), 4.25 – 4.14 (m, 1H), 2.71 – 2.63 (m, *J* = 7.1, 12.7, 4H), 2.01 – 1.93 (m, 2H), 1.26 (d, *J* = 6.6, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 166.9, 166.5, 138.4, 136.0, 134.7, 132.7, 129.5, 129.4, 128.5, 128.4, 123.6, 120.3, 120.1, 98.3, 70.0, 42.7, 25.6, 22.8, 19.9, 16.6. IR (CHCl₃): 3431 m (NH), 3312 m (NH), 3065 w, 3013 s, 2976 m, 2941 w, 2252 w (CN), 2190 w, 1651 s (CONH), 1601 m, 1580 s, 1525 s (CONH), 1490 s, 1468 s, 1400 s, 1309 s (CONH), 1251 m, 1171 m, 1046 m, 1028 m, 821 m, 709 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₂₃H₂₃N₃O₂S: C, 68.12; H, 5.72; N, 10.36. Found: C, 67.84; H, 5.65; N, 10.25.

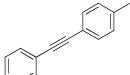


N-Benzyl-2-(cyclopropylethynylthio)benzamide (3m). The Method D was followed, using *N*-thioamide **2a** (0.30 g; 1.24 mmol) and cyclopropylacetylene (0.22 ml; 2.60 mmol). After 60 h at 70 °C thioacetylene **3m** was obtained as an yellowish crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOH/hexane in 97 % yield (370 mg). M.p. 116-117 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.6, 1H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 4.4, 4H), 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.17 (td, *J* = 1.1, 7.6, 1H), 6.29 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 5.7, 2H), 1.52 – 1.43 (m, 1H), 0.91 – 0.79 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.3, 138.0, 136.2, 132.2, 131.5, 129.0, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.4, 125.9, 104.6, 62.0, 44.4, 9.4, 1.2. IR (ATR): 3266 m (NH), 3011 w, 2944 w, 2185 w, 2162 w, 1625 s (CONH), 1524 s, 1496 m, 1451 m, 1432 m, 1306 m, 1281 m, 1263 m, 1156 w, 1028 m, 987 m, 836 w, 811 w, 789 w, 740 m, 732 m, 704 s, 665 s, 650 s, 602 s cm⁻¹. Anal. calcd for C₁₉H₁₇NOS: C, 74.24; H, 5.57; N, 4.56.03. Found: C, 74.25; H, 5.50; N, 4.44.



N-Allyl-2-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynylthio)-5-nitrobenzamide (3n). The Method D was followed, using *N*-thioamide 2d (0.74 g; 3.14 mmol) and 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene (0.45 ml; 3.93 mmol). After 27 h at 70 °C thioacetylene 3n was obtained as an yellowish crystalline product after recrystallization from EtOH in 94 % yield (1.05 g). M.p. 196.5-197.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 8.64 (d, *J* = 2.4, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.42 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.9, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 8.9, 1H), 7.72 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 6.04 – 5.93 (m, 1H), 5.29 (m, 1H), 5.14 (m, 1H), 4.11 – 4.05 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 165.8, 164.0 (d, ¹*J*_{C-*F*}= 249), 146.8, 145.6, 135.5, 135.2 (d, ²*J*_{C-*F*}= 8.7), 132.9, 129.3, 126.6, 123.4, 119.6 (d, ³*J*_{C-*F*}= 2.9), 117.0, 116.7 (d, ⁴*J*_{C-*F*}= 22.5), 99.8, 76.9, 43.1. IR (ATR): 3282 w (NH), 3074 w, 2166 w, 1634 s (CONH), 1599 m, 1546 m, 1514 m, 1503 s, 1456 m, 1339 s, 1316 m, 1283 m, 1258 m, 1233 m, 1154 m, 1051 m, 996 m, 926 m, 915 m, 834 s, 793 m, 736 m, 532 s cm⁻¹. HR-MS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₃N₂O₃SF 356.0623, found 356.0631.

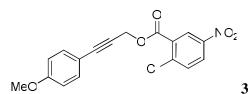
The General Method for Preparation of Acetylenes and Regeneration of N-thioamide



1-Methyl-4-(phenylethynyl)benzene (5a). Thioacetylene **3d** (340 mg; 1.00 mmol) and 4-methylphenylboronic acid (185 mg; 1.30 mmol), CuMeSal (262 mg; 1.2 eq) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (59 mg; 5 mol %) were added to a Schlenk flask (25 ml). The flask was sealed with a Suba-Seal and system was purged with Ar (3x). DME (8 ml) was added via needle and syringe trough the septum directly into the Schlenk flask. Resulting reaction

mixture was purged with Ar (3x) and stirred for 16-18 h at 40-45 °C under the presure of Ar. Reaction progres was followed by UPLC. Reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (10 ml) and black solid filtered through Celite. The solvent was removed in rotatory evaporator and crude product was purified by column chromatography (hexane/dichloromethane 30:1) to afford pure acetylene **5a** as an white crystalline product in 85 % yield (165 mg). M.p.73-74.5 °C (MeOH/water) (lit. 72.5-74 °C).⁷ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.1, 2H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 138.6, 131.8, 131.7, 129.3, 128.5, 128.3, 123.8, 120.5, 89.8, 89.0, 21.7.

The black solid was transfered back to the Schlenk flask, DMF (5 ml) and LiCl (1.5 eq) were added. The black solid was completely disolved to form a dark red solution after 10 min. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature in the presence of the air. The mixture was poured in ice cooled HCl (5 % water solution). The precipitate was filtered and washed with water. After drying the crude product was purified by column chromatography (EtOAc/hexane 1:3->1:2) to afford *N*-thioamide **2d** in 59 % yield (140 mg) which showed identical spectroscopic properties as the one previously reported.¹

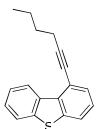


3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)prop-2-ynyl 2-chloro-5-nitro-

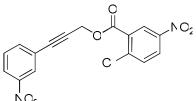
benzoate (5b). The general method was followed, by using thioacetylene **3k** (200 mg; 0.42 mmol) and 4-methoxyphenylboronic acid (83 mg; 0.55 mmol). Acetylene **5b** was obtained as a colorless oil after column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 7:1:2) in 83 % yield (120 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 8.71 (d, *J* = 2.8, 1H), 8.44 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 8.8, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 164.2, 162.0, 148.1, 141.2, 134.8, 134.1, 132.5, 128.9, 127.7, 115.7, 115.4, 88.3, 82.8, 56.4, 55.8. IR (CHCl₃): 3108 w, 3087 w, 3030 w, 3012 w, 2958 w, 2938 w, 2841 w, 2230 m, 1742 s (C=O), 1609 s, 1576 m, 1530 s (NO₂), 1511 s, 1467 m, 1351 s (NO₂), 1306 s, 1294 s, 1270 s, 1250 s, 1174 m, 1129 s, 1049 s, 1035 s, 943 m, 836 s, 743 s cm⁻¹. HR-MS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₂CINO₅ 345.0404, found 345.0414.

⁷ Seyferth, D.; Damrauer, R. J. Org. Chem. **1966**, 31, 1660

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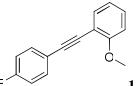


Ε 1-(Hex-1-ynyl)dibenzo[b,d]thiophene (5c). The general method was followed, by using thioacetylene **3g** (200 mg; 0.63 mmol) and 4-dibenzothiophenboronic acid (185 mg; 0.82 mmol). Acetylene **5c** was obtained as an colorless oil after column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 50:1) in 69 % yield (115 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 8.34 – 8.30 (m, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 1.3, 7.7, 1H), 8.05 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.46 (m, 4H), 2.58 (t, *J* = 6.9, 2H), 1.72 – 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 0.99 (q, *J* = 7.3, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, acetone-d6): δ 143.7, 140.8, 137.4, 137.0, 130.9, 128.8, 126.4, 126.3, 124.5, 123.6, 122.6, 120.4, 97.6, 79.8, 32.3, 23.3, 20.3, 14.6. IR (CHCl₃): 3070 m, 3011 s, 2961 s, 2935 s, 2874 m, 2864 m, 2228 w, 1576 w, 1442 s, 1386 s, 1305 m, 1251 s, 1101 m, 1047 m, 1022 m, 798 m cm⁻¹. HR-MS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₆S 264.0973, found 264.0977.

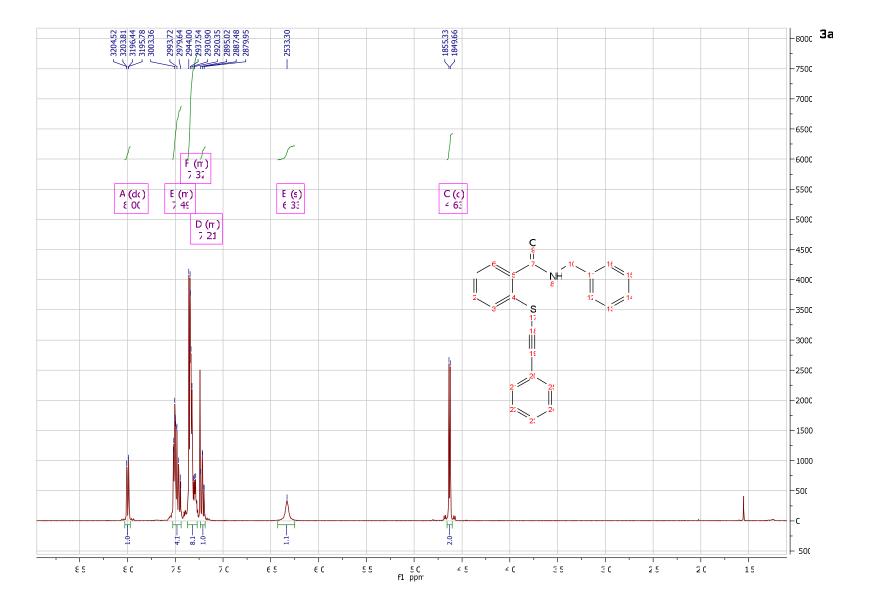


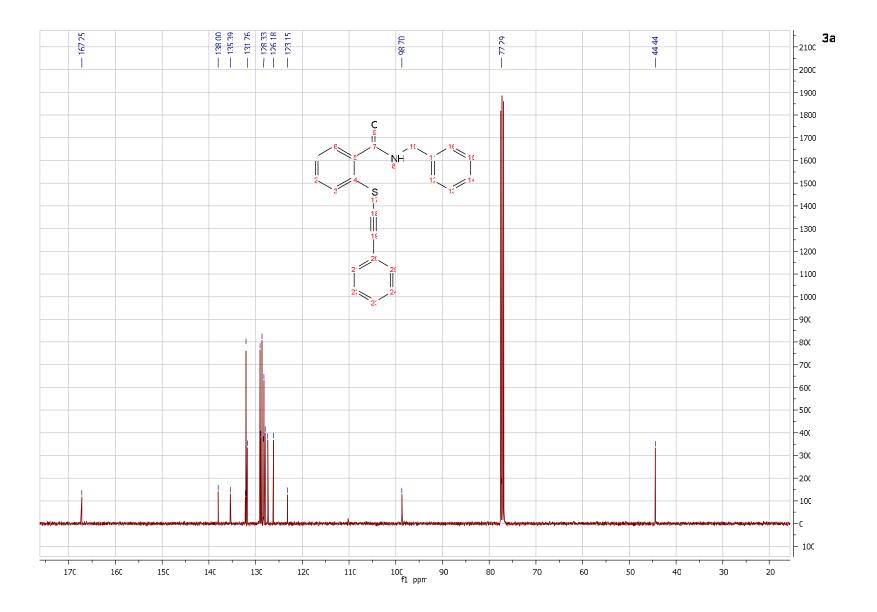
^{NO2} **3-(3-Nitrophenyl)prop-2-ynyl 2-chloro-5-nitro-benzoate** (5d). The general method was followed, by using thioacetylene **3k** (200 mg; 0.42 mmol) and 3-nitrophenylboronic acid (92 mg; 0.55 mmol). Acetylene **5d** was obtained as an white solid after column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 8:1:2) in 66 % yield (100 mg). M.p. 95-96 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.78 (d, *J* = 2.7, 1H), 8.33 – 8.27 (m, 2H), 8.19 (ddd, *J* = 1.1, 2.3, 8.3, 1H), 7.79-7.75 (m, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 8.0, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.9, 148.4, 146.5, 141.4, 137.8, 132.8, 130.4, 129.7, 127.5, 127.1, 127.0, 124.0, 123.9, 85.2, 84.8, 54.2. IR (ATR): 3109 w, 3089 w, 1722 s (C=O), 1607 s, 1516 s (NO₂), 1463 m, 1348 s (NO₂), 1304 s, 1136 s, 1046 s, 945 m, 921 s, 836 s, 805 m, 781 m, 734 s, 697 m, 668 s, 655 m, 595 m cm⁻¹. HR-MS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₉N₂O₆Cl 360.0148, found 360.0149.

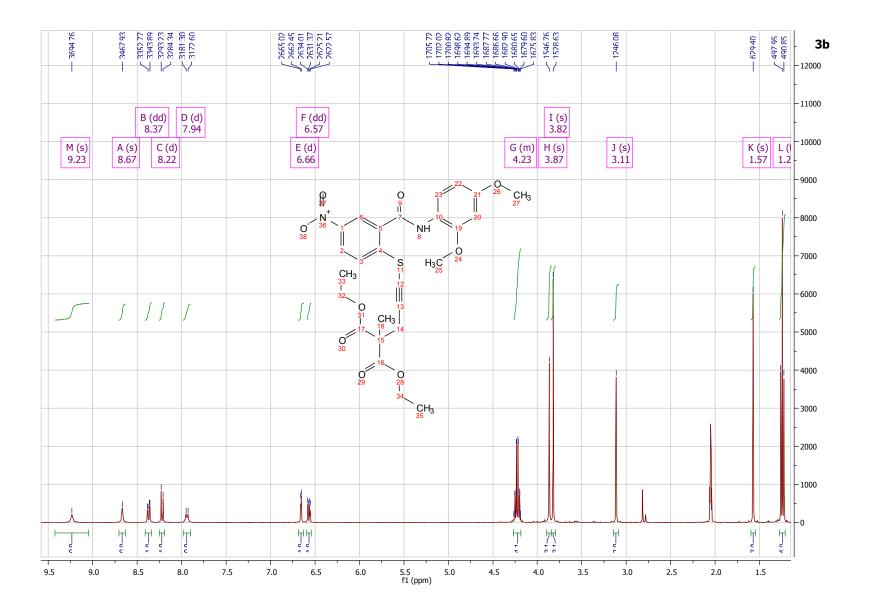
F² **2-((4-Fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-1,3-dimethylbenzene** (5e). The general method was followed, by using thioacetylene **3n** (300 mg; 0.84 mmol) and 2,6-dimethylphenylboronic acid (164 mg; 1.09 mmol). Acetylene **5e** was obtained as a colorless oil after column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 40:1:2) in 58 % yield (110 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.54 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 8.6, 1H), 7.07 – 7.01 (m, 4H), 2.49 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.7 (d, ¹*J*_{*C*-*F*}= 249), 140.4, 133.4 (d, ²*J*_{*C*-*F*</sup>= 8.3), 128.0, 127.0, 123.0, 120.2 (d, ⁴*J*_{*C*-*F*}= 3.5), 115.8 (d, ³*J*_{*C*-*F*}= 22.1), 96.9, 87.0 (d, ⁵*J*_{*C*-*F*}= 1.3), 21.3. IR (ATR): 3064 w, 2918 w, 1599 w, 1505 s, 1467 w, 1228 s, 1154 m, 1091 w, 831 s, 804 m, 767 s, 731 w, 592 w, 524 m, 481 m cm⁻¹. HR-MS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₃F 224.0998, found 224.1001.}

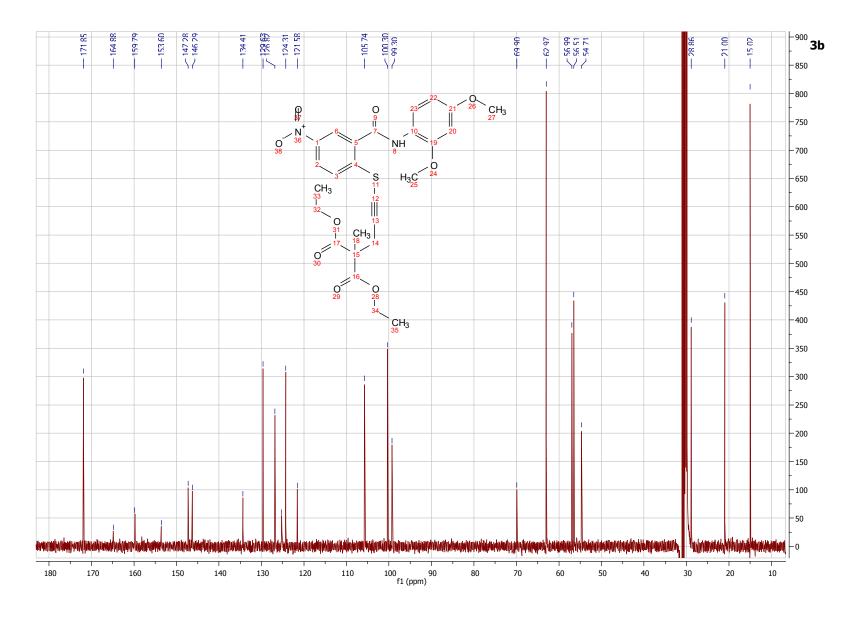


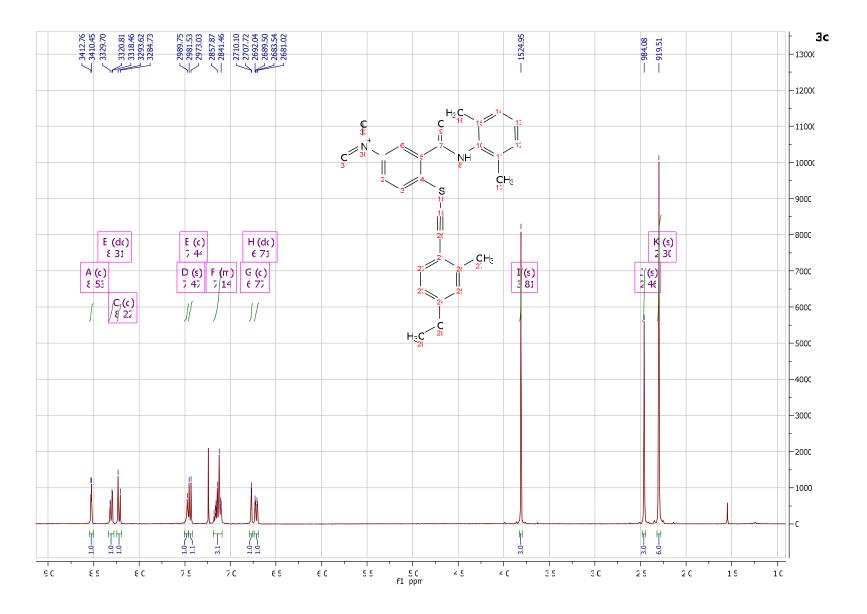
F 1-((4-Fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-2-methoxybenzene (5f). The general method was followed, by using thioacetylene **3n** (300 mg; 0.84 mmol) and 2-methoxyphenylboronic acid (166 mg; 1.09 mmol). Acetylene **5f** was obtained as a yellowish oil after column chromatography (hexane/Et₂O/acetone 10:1:2) in 76 % yield (145 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.47 (dd, J = 1.7, 7.6, 1H), 7.30 (ddd, J = 1.7, 7.5, 8.4, 1H), 7.05 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.92 (td, J = 1.0, 7.5, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.4, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.7(d, ¹ $J_{C-F}= 249$), 160.2, 133.8, 133.7(d, ² $J_{C-F}= 8.3$), 130.0, 120.7, 120.0 (d, ⁴ $J_{C-F}= 3.5$), 115.7 (d, ³ $J_{C-F}= 22.1$), 112.6, 111.0, 92.5, 85.66 (d, ⁵ $J_{C-F}= 1.4$), 56.1. IR (ATR): 3072 w, 2943 w, 2836 w, 1595 w, 1575 w, 1506 s, 1488 m, 1461 m, 1434 m, 1274 m, 1219 s, 1155 m, 1105 m, 1022 m, 833 s, 747 s, 526 m, 485 s cm⁻¹. HR-MS (EI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₁OF 226.0790, found 226.0794.

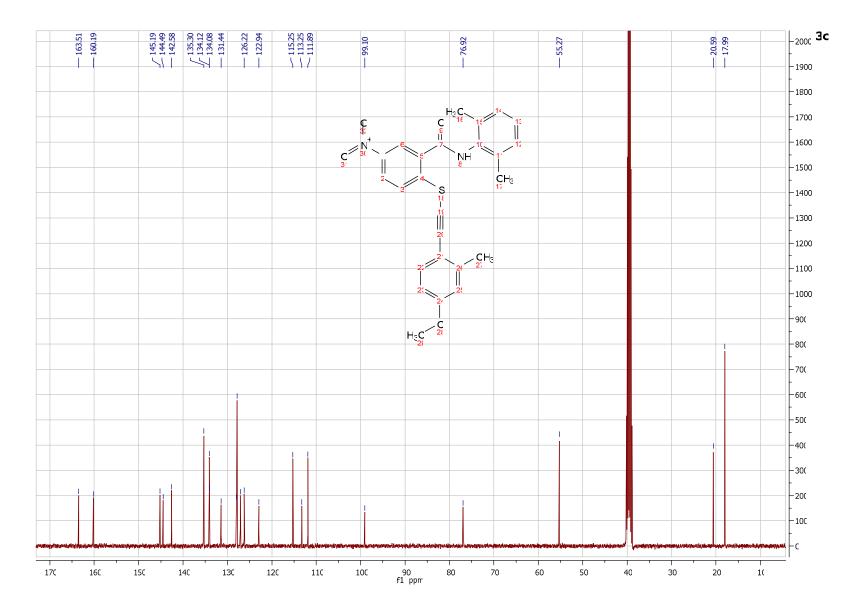


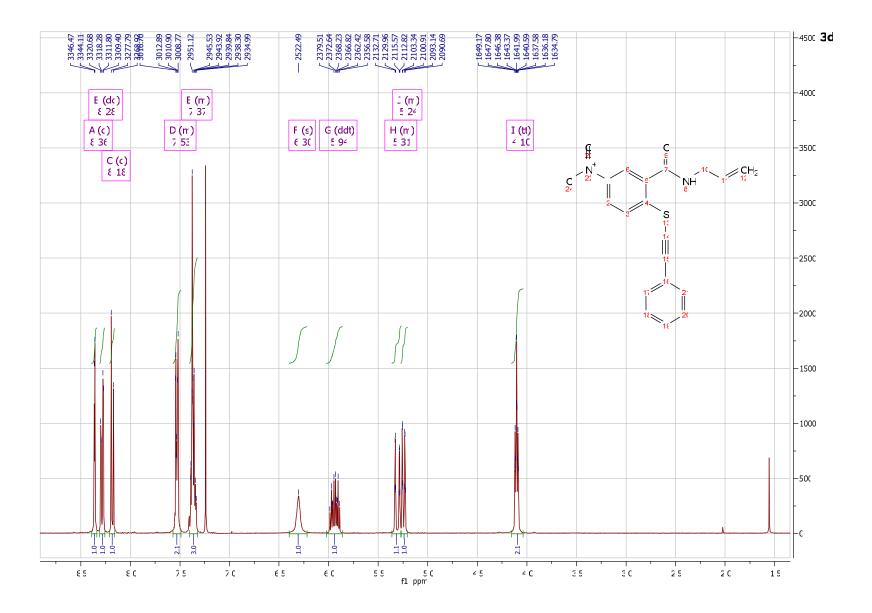


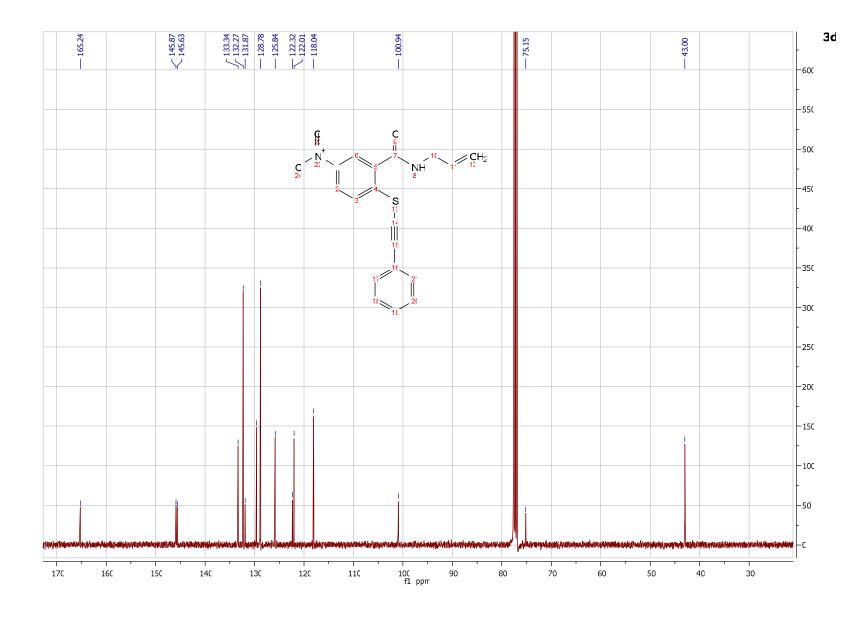


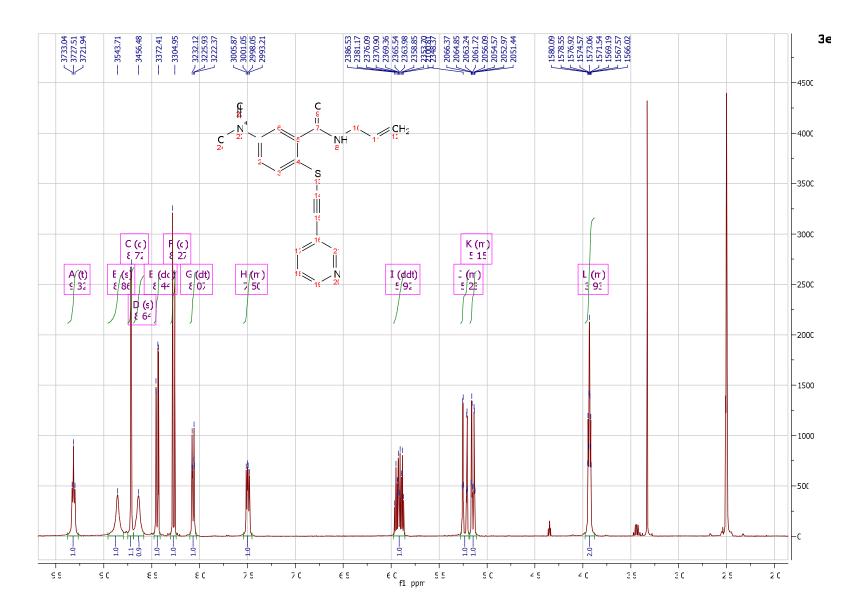


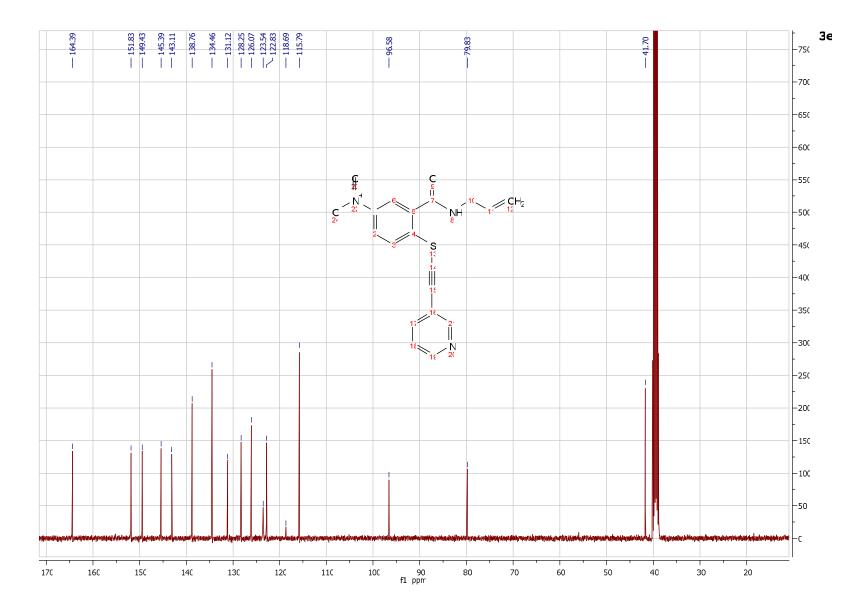












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