

## Supplementary Information

### Intramolecular [2+2+2] cycloaddition of dialkynylcarbodiimides: synthesis of L-shaped $\pi$ -extended compounds with pyrrolo[1,2-*a*][1,8]naphthyridine corner units

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## 1. Synthesis

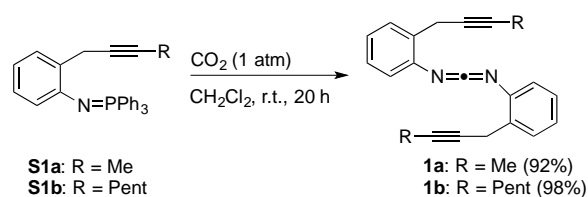
### 1.1 General Information

All melting points were determined on a Yanaco melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Horiba FT-710 model spectrophotometer.  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectral data were obtained with a Bruker Avance-600, a JEOL JNM-LA 500, or a JEOL JNM-AL 300 instrument and chemical shifts are reported in ppm down field from tetramethylsilane (TMS) using an internal standard of TMS,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , or  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . Accurate mass was measured by high-resolution electrospray ionization (ESI) mass to determine an elemental formula by comparing calculated exact mass. The elemental analyses (C, H, and N) were performed at the Advanced Technology Support of RIKEN Advanced Science Institute and the Microanalytical Laboratory of the University of Tokyo. Iminophosphoranes **S1a**<sup>S1</sup> and **S1b**,<sup>S1</sup> and 3-azido-2-naphthalenecarboxaldehyde (**S3**)<sup>S2</sup> were synthesized according to procedures previously described in the literature.

### 1.2 Synthesis of Carbodiimides

#### 1.2.1 Synthesis of Carbodiimides 1

**Scheme S1. Synthesis of Carbodiimides 1**



**Bis[2-(2-butyn-1-yl)phenyl]carbodiimide (1a).** A dichloromethane (40 mL) solution of iminophosphorane **S1a** (1.85 g, 4.6 mmol) was degassed, charged with  $\text{CO}_2$ , and stirred for 20 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was evaporated, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give carbodiimide **1a** (624 mg, 92%) as a colorless oil: IR (neat): 2915, 2298, 2144, 1589, 1488, 1172, 1087  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 7.52 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.20 (m, 4H), 7.18–7.14 (m, 2H), 3.64 (q,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 4H), 1.84 (t,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 136.3 (C  $\times$  2), 133.6 (C), 131.7 (C  $\times$  2), 129.3 (CH  $\times$  2), 127.7 (CH  $\times$  2), 125.6 (CH  $\times$  2), 124.7 (CH  $\times$  2), 84.1 (C  $\times$  2), 76.1 (C  $\times$  2), 21.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>  $\times$  2), 13.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>  $\times$  2); HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$  [ $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ]<sup>+</sup>: 299.1543, found 299.1550.

**Bis[2-(2-octyn-1-yl)phenyl]carbodiimide (1b).** The title compound (160 mg, 98%) was synthesized from **S1b** (369 mg, 0.80 mmol) using the same procedure described above. Colorless oil: IR (neat): 2931, 2298, 2152, 1581, 1481, 1172, 1087  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 7.55 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.12 (m, 6H), 3.66 (t,  $J = 2.3$  Hz, 4H), 2.21 (tt,  $J = 2.3, 7.1$  Hz, 4H), 1.58–1.47 (m, 4H), 1.43–1.25 (m, 8H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 136.3 (C  $\times$  2), 133.5 (C), 131.8 (C  $\times$  2), 129.2 (CH

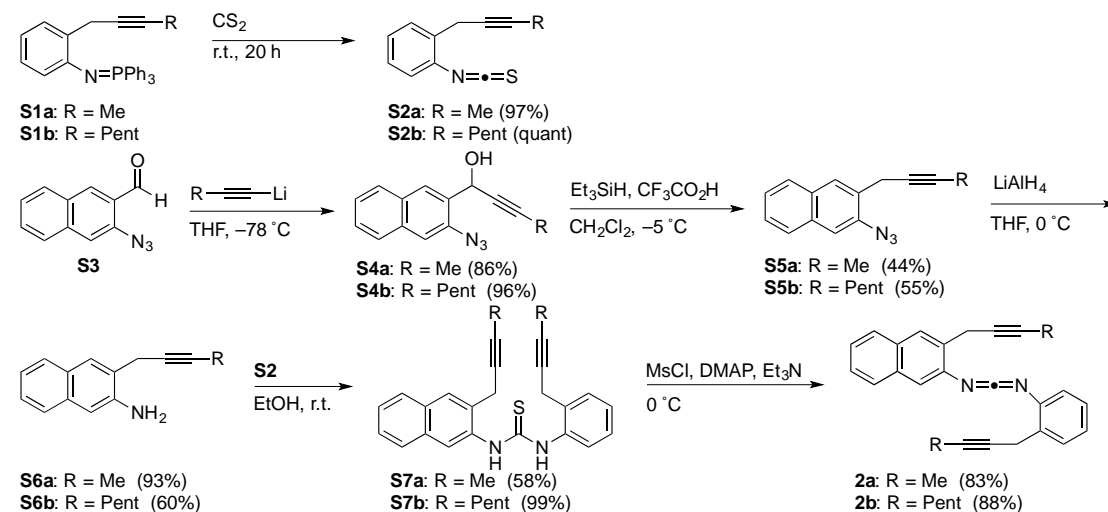
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× 2), 127.6 (CH × 2), 125.6 (CH × 2), 124.6 (CH × 2), 83.2 (C × 2), 76.6 (C × 2), 31.1 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 28.7 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 21.6 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 18.8 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> × 2); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 411.2795, found 411.2794.

## 1.2.2 Synthesis of Carbodiimides 2

### Scheme S2. Synthesis of Carbodiimides 2



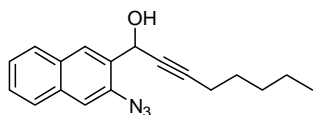
**2-(2-Butyn-1-yl)phenyl isothiocyanate (S2a).** Iminophosphorane **S1a** (810 mg, 2.00 mmol) was dissolved in carbon disulfide (5 mL) and the solution was stirred for 20 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give isothiocyanate **S2a** (364 mg, 97%) as a colorless oil: IR (neat): 2915, 2090, 1589, 1481, 1419, 1280, 1095 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.54–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 3H), 3.61 (q, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.87 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 139.1 (C), 133.9 (C), 129.7 (C), 129.3 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 79.1 (C), 74.6 (C), 22.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NSNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 210.0348, found 210.0348.

**2-(2-Octyn-1-yl)phenyl isothiocyanate (S2b).** The title compound (2.23 g, quant) was obtained from **S1b** (4.14 g, 8.97 mmol) and carbon disulfide (20 mL) using the same procedure described above. Colorless oil: IR (neat): 2931, 2098, 1581, 1481, 1218, 1172, 1095 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.19 (m, 3H), 3.62 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (tt, *J* = 2.4, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.57–1.49 (m, 2H), 1.41–1.30 (m, 4H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 134.0 (C), 129.6 (C), 129.2 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.6 (C), 127.5 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 83.9 (C), 75.4 (C), 31.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.21 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.18 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NSNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 266.0974, found 266.0978.

**3-Azido-α-(1-propyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenemethanol (S4a).** To a THF (10 mL) solution of 1-bromo-1-propene (0.68 mL, 7.98 mmol) was added 1.66 M hexane solution of *n*-butyllithium (7.05 mL, 11.7 mmol) at –78 °C. The mixture was stirred for 2 h, and a THF (10 mL) solution of 3-azido-2-naphthalenecarboxaldehyde (**S3**) (1.05 g, 5.32 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 20 min, and the reaction was quenched by addition of saturated aqueous ammonium chloride. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine,

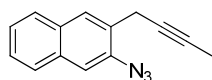
dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give alkynyl azide **S4a** (1.08 g, 86%) as a colorless solid: Mp 80.2–80.9 °C; IR (KBr) 3293, 2291, 2113, 1596, 863 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.74–5.70 (m, 1H), 2.72 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 135.7 (C), 133.6 (C), 131.3 (C), 130.8 (C), 128.2 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 115.9 (CH), 83.5 (C), 78.1 (C), 61.4 (CH), 3.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NaO [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 266.1264, found 266.1267.

**3-Azido-α-(1-heptyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenemethanol (S4b).** To a THF (10 mL) solution of 1-heptyne (0.94 mL, 7.2 mmol) was added a 1.66 M hexane solution of *n*-butyllithium (4.34 mL, 7.2 mmol) at -78 °C. After being stirred for 1 h, the mixture was warmed to room temperature, and a THF (10 mL) solution of **S3** (1.18 g, 6.00 mmol) was added. The reaction was quenched by addition of saturated aqueous ammonium chloride. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane, washed



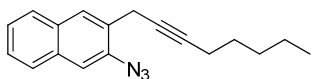
with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give alkynyl azide **S4b** (1.69 g, 96%) as a colorless solid: Mp 47.7–48.1 °C; IR (KBr): 3309, 2267, 2113, 1596, 863 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (td, *J* = 2.0, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.57 (tt, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.44–1.38 (m, 2H), 1.37–1.30 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 135.7 (C), 133.5 (C), 131.4 (C), 130.8 (C), 128.2 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 115.8 (CH), 88.1 (C), 78.8 (C), 61.4 (CH), 31.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NaO [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 316.1420, found 316.1415.

**2-Azido-3-(2-butyn-1-yl)naphthalene (S5a).** To a dichloromethane (30 mL) solution of alcohol **S4a** (1.08 g, 4.57 mmol) and triethylsilane (1.46 mL, 9.14 mmol) was added trifluoroacetic acid (0.509 mL, 6.86 mmol) at -5 °C. After being stirred for 16 h at -5 °C, the reaction was quenched by addition of saturated aqueous sodium hydrogen carbonate. The mixture



was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane) to give **S5a** (440 mg, 44%) as a colorless solid: Mp 82.0–82.4 °C; IR (KBr): 2206, 2113, 1596, 856 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.46 (dd, *J* = 1.0, 6.9, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (ddd, *J* = 1.0, 7.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (q, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 1.92 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 136.6 (C), 132.9 (C), 131.1 (C), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (C), 127.6 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 115.1 (CH), 78.9 (C), 75.7 (C), 21.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>3</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 221.0953, found 221.0950.

**2-Azido-3-(2-octyn-1-yl)naphthalene (S5b).** The title compound (0.88 g, 55%) was obtained from **S4b** (1.69 g, 5.76 mmol), triethylsilane (1.85 mL, 11.5 mmol), trifluoroacetic acid (0.86 mL, 11.5 mmol) and dichloromethane (30 mL) using the same procedure described above. Colorless solid: Mp 142.6–143.1 °C; IR (KBr): 2329, 2105, 1596, 863 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.80



(d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.46 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 7.3, 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.42 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 7.3, 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 2H), 2.28 (tt,  $J = 2.4, 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 1.59 (tt,  $J = 7.1, 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 1.47–1.41 (m, 2H), 1.40–1.33 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 136.6 (C), 132.8 (C), 131.0 (C), 128.4 (C), 128.3 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 115.0 (CH), 83.8 (C), 76.5 (C), 31.2 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 28.7 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.3 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 21.1 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 18.9 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 14.0 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_3\text{Na}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{Na}$ ] $^+$ : 300.1471, found 300.1470.

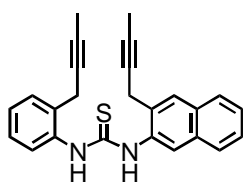
**3-(2-Butyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenamine (S6a).** To a suspension of lithium aluminum hydride (LAH) (214 mg, 5.65 mmol) in THF (30 mL) was added a THF (20 mL) solution of **S5a** (500 mg, 2.26 mmol) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 15 min and quenched by addition of aqueous THF (1:1) followed by 1 M aqueous HCl (5 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/4) to give **S6a** (408 mg, 93%) as a colorless solid: Mp 72.4–72.8 °C; IR (KBr): 3270, 2915, 2291, 1697, 1542, 1049, 879  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.34 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 6.8, 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 6.8, 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 4.10 (br, 2H), 3.56 (q,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 2H), 1.85 (t,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 143.1 (C), 134.0 (C), 128.1 (C), 128.0 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 125.3 (CH), 125.2 (C), 122.6 (CH), 109.9 (CH), 78.7 (C), 75.3 (C), 22.5 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 3.6 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 196.1121, found 196.1114.

**3-(2-Octyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenamine (S6b).** The title compound (529 mg, 60%) was synthesized from **S5b** (972 mg, 3.50 mmol), lithium aluminum hydride (LAH) (332 mg, 8.76 mmol), and THF (50 mL) using the same procedure described above. Colorless solid: Mp 50.6–51.6 °C; IR (KBr): 3363, 2931, 1635, 1511, 1280, 1018, 871  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 7.4, 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 7.4, 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 4.08 (br, 2H), 3.58 (t,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.21 (tt,  $J = 2.4, 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 1.56–1.49 (m, 2H), 1.41–1.28 (m, 4H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 143.1 (C), 134.0 (C), 128.2 (C), 128.0 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 125.3 (CH), 125.3 (C), 122.6 (CH), 109.8 (CH), 83.6 (C), 76.1 (C), 31.1 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 28.6 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.5 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.2 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 18.8 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 14.0 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{NNa}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{Na}$ ] $^+$ : 274.1566, found 274.1579.

**N-[3-(2-Octyn-1-yl)-2-naphthaleny]-N'-[2-(2-octyn-1-yl)phenyl]thiourea (S7b).** A mixture of isothiocyanate **S2b** (2.23 g, 9.20 mmol) and **S6b** (2.31 g, 9.20 mmol) in ethanol (10 mL) was stirred for 20 h at room temperature and then evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give **S7b** (4.38 g, 99%) as a colorless solid: Mp 58.2–58.5 °C; IR (neat): 3301, 2931, 1596, 1457, 1087, 879  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 8.13 (br, 2H), 7.93 (s, 2H), 7.79 (dd,  $J = 6.8, 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.48–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.33–7.23 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 2H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 2.14–2.04 (m, 2H), 1.80–1.60 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.40 (m, 2H), 1.37–1.10 (m, 10H), 0.89 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H), 0.82 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 181.0 (C), 135.5 (C), 134.5 (C), 133.4 (C), 132.7 (C), 132.7 (C), 132.5 (C), 129.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.64 (CH), 127.56 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 84.0 (C), 83.5 (C), 76.1 (C), 75.9 (C), 31.1 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 30.9 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 28.5 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 28.3 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.5 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.1 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.1 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 22.0 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ),

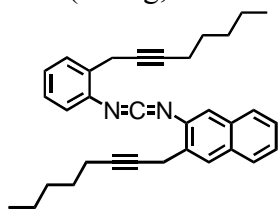
18.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 13.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 13.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>SNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 517.2648, found 517.2648.

*N*-[3-(2-Butyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenyl]-*N'*-[2-(2-butyn-1-yl)phenyl]thiourea (**S7a**). The title compound



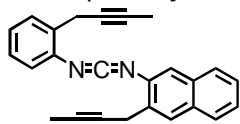
(261.7 mg, 58%) was obtained from **S2a** (221 mg, 1.18 mmol), **S6a** (230 mg, 1.18 mmol), and ethanol (10 mL) using the same procedure described above. Colorless solid: Mp 132.8–133.3 °C; IR (KBr): 3332, 3147, 2954, 1527, 1488, 1257, 1203, 755 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 8.11 (br, 1H), 8.01 (br, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.90 (br, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.40 (br, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (br, 2H), 3.51 (br, 2H), 1.72 (br, 3H), 1.34 (br, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 181.0 (C), 135.5 (br, C), 134.3 (br, C), 133.4 (br, C), 132.7 (C), 132.6 (C), 129.8 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 79.1 (C), 78.7 (C), 75.4 (C), 75.2 (C), 22.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>) (one quaternary carbon was not observed); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>SNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 405.1393, found 405.1393.

3-(2-Octyn-1-yl)-*N*-[[2-(2-octyn-1-yl)phenyl]carbonimidoyl]-2-naphthalenamine (**2b**). Thiourea **S7b** (4.38 g, 8.86 mmol) was dissolved in dichloromethane (10 mL). Triethylamine (3.83 mL, 27.5 mmol),



*N,N*-dimethyl-4-aminopyridine (DMAP) (55 mg, 0.46 mmol), and methanesulfonyl chloride (1.42 mL, 18.3 mmol) were added in this order at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 10 min and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give **2b** (3.57 g, 88%) as a colorless oil: IR (neat): 2931, 2144, 1581, 1496, 1172, 1087, 871 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (s, 2H), 7.36–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.21–7.09 (m, 3H), 3.77 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 2.26–2.21 (m, 2H), 2.19–2.14 (m, 2H), 1.56–1.45 (m, 4H), 1.43–1.23 (m, 8H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 136.1 (C), 134.8 (C), 132.8 (C), 131.8 (C), 131.7 (C), 131.3 (C), 130.8 (C), 129.1 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 125.4 (CH), 124.5 (CH), 121.8 (CH), 83.6 (C), 83.1 (C), 76.68 (C), 76.67 (C), 31.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.12 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.11 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 21.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.81 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.75 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 13.94 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 13.89 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 461.2951, found 461.2951.

3-(2-Butyn-1-yl)-*N*-[[2-(2-butyn-1-yl)phenyl]carbonimidoyl]-2-naphthalenamine (**2a**). The title



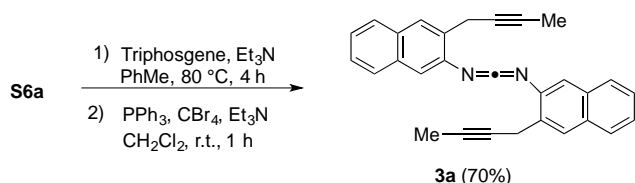
compound (199 mg, 83%) was obtained from **S7a** (262 mg, 0.68 mmol), triethylamine (0.29 mL, 2.05 mmol), DMAP (4.2 mg, 0.03 mmol), methanesulfonyl chloride (0.11 mL, 1.37 mmol), and dichloromethane (10 mL) using the same procedure described

above. Colorless solid: Mp 90.9–91.4 °C; IR (KBr): 2908, 2152, 2129, 1573, 1450, 1226, 748 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 2.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, *J* = 2.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.52 (dd, *J* = 2.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.24 (m, 3H), 3.77 (q, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (q, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 1.88 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 3H), 1.82 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 136.2 (C), 134.9 (C), 133.1 (C), 132.9 (C), 131.8 (C), 131.5 (C), 130.8 (C), 129.4 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 125.7 (CH), 125.6 (CH), 124.8 (CH), 122.1 (CH), 78.9 (C), 78.3 (C), 76.1 (C), 76.0

(C), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 21.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>Na [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 371.1519, found 371.1516.

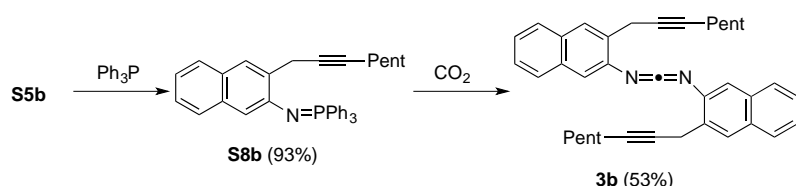
### 1.2.3 Synthesis of Carbodiimides 3

#### Scheme S3. Synthesis of Carbodiimides 3a



**Bis[3-(2-butyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenyl]carbodiimide (3a).** A mixture of **S6a** (68 mg, 0.35 mmol), triethylamine (0.11 mL, 0.77 mmol), triphosgene (17 mg, 0.056 mmol), and toluene (3 mL) was heated at 80 °C for 4 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and then volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. To the residue were added THF (5 mL), triphenylphosphine (118 mg, 0.46 mmol), and triethylamine (0.10 mL, 0.75 mmol). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and carbon tetrabromide (179 mg, 0.54 mmol) was added. After being stirred for 1 h, the mixture was condensed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/10) to give **3a** (98 mg, 70%) as a colorless solid: Mp 157.2–157.7 °C; IR (neat): 2375, 2144, 1581, 871 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.98 (s, 2H), 7.84–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.75–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.70 (s, 2H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 4H), 3.82 (q, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 4H), 1.88 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 141.1 (C), 134.8 (C × 2), 133.0 (C × 2), 131.5 (C × 2), 130.9 (C × 2), 128.0 (CH × 2), 127.5 (CH × 2), 126.6 (CH × 2), 126.2 (CH × 2), 125.7 (CH × 2), 122.3 (CH × 2), 78.9 (C × 2), 76.0 (C × 2), 22.3 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 3.7 (CH<sub>3</sub> × 2); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 399.1856, found 399.1865.

#### Scheme S4. Synthesis of Carbodiimides 3b



**3-(2-Octyn-1-yl)-N-(triphenylphosphoranylidene)-2-naphthalenamine (S8b).** Triphenylphosphine (912 mg, 3.48 mmol) was added to a solution of alkynyl azide **S5b** (877 mg, 3.16 mmol) in dichloromethane (20 mL) at room temperature. After being stirred for 10 h, the mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1/4) to give iminophosphorane **S8b** (1.53 g, 93%) as a colorless solid: Mp 129.5–130.4 °C; IR (KBr): 1589, 1450, 825 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.82–7.78 (m, 6H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 3H), 7.44 (ddd, *J* = 2.7, 7.4, 7.7 Hz, 6H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 2.30 (tt, *J* = 2.4, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.60–1.55 (m, 2H), 1.47–1.42 (m, 2H), 1.38–1.31 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.8 (C), 134.4 (C, d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 133.9 (C), 132.6 (CH × 6, d, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 131.7 (CH × 3, d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 131.1 (C × 3, d, *J* = 99.6 Hz), 128.6 (CH × 6, d, *J* = 11.8 Hz), 127.6 (C), 127.1 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 125.0 (CH),

124.5 (CH), 121.4 (CH), 114.0 (CH, d,  $J = 9.9$  Hz), 82.9 (C), 79.1 (C), 31.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 19.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>35</sub>NP [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 512.2502, found 512.2511.

**Bis[3-(2-octyn-1-yl)-2-naphthalenyl]carbodiimide (3b).** A dichloromethane (10 mL) solution of iminophosphorane **S8b** (1.53 g, 3.0 mmol) was degassed, charged with carbon dioxide, and stirred for 20 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was evaporated, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (dichloromethane/hexane = 1/2) to give carbodiimide **3b** (405 mg, 53%) as a colorless oil: IR (neat): 2931, 2244, 1573, 1295, 863 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ) 8.01 (s, 2H), 7.83–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.75–7.71 (m, 2H), 7.69 (s, 2H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 4H), 3.84 (q,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 4H), 2.25 (tt,  $J = 2.4, 7.1$  Hz, 4H), 1.61–1.50 (m, 4H), 1.46–1.28 (m, 8H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ) 134.8 (C × 2), 132.9 (C × 2), 132.6 (C), 131.5 (C × 2), 131.0 (C × 2), 128.0 (CH × 2), 127.5 (CH × 2), 126.6 (CH × 2), 126.2 (CH × 2), 125.6 (CH × 2), 122.3 (CH × 2), 83.9 (C × 2), 76.7 (C × 2), 31.2 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 28.7 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 22.3 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 18.9 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> × 2); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 511.3108, found 511.3104.

### 1.3 Synthesis of L-Shaped Molecules

#### 1.3.1 Synthesis of 4

**6,7-Dimethylbenzo[g]indolo[1,2-a][1,8]naphthyridine (4a).** To a heated toluene (2 mL) solution of Wilkinson catalyst (Rh(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Cl) (23 mg, 0.025 mmol) was added a toluene (3 mL) solution of **1a** (75 mg, 0.25 mmol) at 120 °C. After being stirred for 20 min, the mixture was cooled to room temperature. To the mixture was added manganese(IV) oxide (65 mg, 0.75 mmol). After being stirred for 6 h, the suspension was filtered through Celite and the filtrate was evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (chloroform/hexane = 1/2) to give **4a** (67 mg, 90%) as a yellow solid. Mp 221.0–221.7 °C; IR (KBr): 3046, 2923, 2854, 1596, 1542, 1457, 1396 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ) 9.71 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.74 (ddd,  $J = 1.3, 6.8, 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.39 (ddd,  $J = 1.0, 7.2, 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.0 (C), 145.0 (C), 137.7 (C), 134.7 (C), 131.1 (CH), 129.8 (C), 129.5 (CH), 127.7 (CH × 2), 125.4 (C), 125.3 (C), 124.8 (CH), 124.5 (C), 123.1 (CH), 122.7 (CH), 121.0 (C), 120.3 (CH), 118.0 (CH), 99.0 (CH), 15.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 297.1386, found 297.1380; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 85.11; H, 5.44; N, 9.34. Found: C, 84.93; H, 5.44; N, 9.34.

**6,7-Dipentylbenzo[g]indolo[1,2-a][1,8]naphthyridine (4b).** The title compound (142 mg, 93%) was obtained from **1b** (155 mg, 0.38 mmol), Rh(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Cl (35 mg, 0.038 mmol), and toluene (2 mL + 3 mL) using the same procedure described above. Yellow solid: Mp 110.5–110.9 °C; IR (KBr): 3054, 2923, 2854, 1589, 1535, 1457, 1396 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 9.73 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.72 (ddd,  $J = 1.5, 7.0, 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.39 (ddd,  $J = 1.0, 7.1, 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 2.92 (dd,  $J = 6.6, 9.7$  Hz, 2H), 2.84 (dd,  $J = 6.6, 9.6$  Hz, 2H), 1.78–1.66 (m, 4H), 1.57–1.50 (m, 4H), 1.48–1.40 (m, 4H), 0.97 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.4 (C), 145.6 (C), 137.1 (C), 134.6 (C), 131.2 (CH), 130.2 (C), 129.8 (C), 129.5 (CH), 129.0 (C), 127.7 (CH × 2), 125.4 (C), 124.7 (CH), 122.9 (CH), 122.7 (CH),

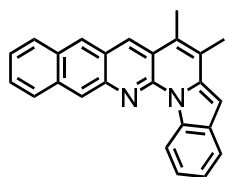


121.5 (C), 120.1 (CH), 118.1 (CH), 98.9 (CH), 32.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.1 (CH<sub>3</sub> × 2); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 409.2638, found 409.2631; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 85.25; H, 7.89; N, 6.86. Found: C, 85.14; H, 8.10; N, 6.77.

### 1.3.2 Synthesis of **5** and **6**

**Synthesis of 5a and 6a.** To a heated toluene (2 mL) solution of Rh(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Cl (17 mg, 0.018 mmol) was added dropwise a toluene (3 mL) solution of carbodiimide **2a** (60.9 mg, 0.175 mmol) at 120 °C. The mixture was heated for 20 min and cooled to room temperature. Manganese(IV) oxide (65 mg, 0.75 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for 6 h. The suspension was filtrated through Celite and the filtrate was evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (chloroform/hexane = 1/2) to give a mixture of **5a** and **6a** (31.9 mg, 52%). The ratio of **5a** to **6a** was determined as 51:49 from the integration of <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals. Crystallization of the mixture from toluene at 50 °C afforded almost pure **6a**, which was again recrystallized from toluene to give analytically and spectroscopically pure **6a** as red crystals. The combined filtrate was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in toluene by heating and diluted with ethanol. The resulting fine crystals which contain mainly **6a** was filtered off and the filtrate was evaporated. Recrystallization of the residue from toluene/ethanol at 50 °C yielded **5a** as cubic crystals together with a small amount of needles. Manual separation of the cubic crystals provided analytically and spectroscopically pure **5a** as brownish red crystals.

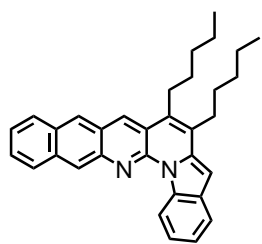
**6,7-Dimethylindolo[1,2-a]naphtho[2,3-g][1,8]naphthyridine (5a).** Brownish red solid: Mp 217.8–218.6 °C (dec); IR (KBr): 3046, 2923, 2360, 2337, 1542, 1457, 1403, 1349, 894, 779, 740 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 9.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (m, 4H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.2 (C), 142.2 (C), 137.5 (C), 135.2 (C), 134.2 (C), 130.8 (C), 130.7 (CH), 129.9 (C), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 125.0 (C), 124.9 (CH), 124.7 (C), 124.6 (C), 124.2 (CH), 123.4 (CH), 122.8 (CH), 121.7 (C), 120.3 (CH), 118.1 (CH), 100.2 (CH), 14.90 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 13.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 347.1543, found 347.1543; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 86.68; H, 5.24; N, 8.09. Found: C, 86.78; H, 5.31; N, 7.88.



**7,8-Dimethylbenzo[g]benzo[f']indolo[1,2-a][1,8]naphthyridine (6a).** Brownish red solid: Mp 268.5–269.0 °C (dec); IR (KBr): 3433, 3047, 2916, 2360, 2337, 1597, 1543, 1442, 1396, 872, 741 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 10.20 (s, 1H), 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (1H, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (m, 3H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.4 (C), 146.0 (C), 140.8 (C), 134.8 (C), 131.0 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.6 (C), 130.3 (C), 129.7 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.7 (C), 125.4 (C), 125.2 (C), 124.7 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 123.8 (CH), 121.1 (C), 117.4 (CH), 114.9 (C), 98.7 (CH), 15.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS-ESI (*m/z*): [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, 347.1543; found, 347.1540; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 86.68; H, 5.24; N, 8.09. Found: C, 86.04; H, 5.31; N, 7.96.

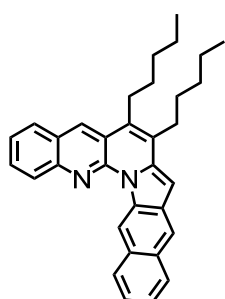
**Synthesis of 5b and 6b.** A 53:47 mixture of **5b** and **6b** (48.6 mg, 86%) was obtained from **2b** (56.8 mg, 0.123 mmol), Rh(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Cl (11.4 mg, 0.012 mmol), and toluene (1 mL + 2 mL) using the same procedure described above.

**6,7-Dipentylindolo[1,2-a]naphtho[2,3-g][1,8]naphthyridine (5b).** Brownish red solid: Mp 126.3–



126.9 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 10.20 (s, 1H), 8.29 (s, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, *J* = 1.1, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, *J* = 0.9, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (ddd, *J* = 1.4, 6.8, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.45 (m, 3H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 10.6 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 10.5 Hz, 2H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 2H), 1.73–1.68 (m, 2H), 1.59–1.51 (m, 4H), 1.49–1.42 (m, 4H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.8 (C), 145.9 (C), 140.3 (C), 134.7 (C), 131.1 (C), 131.0 (CH), 130.9 (C), 130.6 (C), 130.3 (C), 130.0 (C), 129.7 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 125.4 (C), 124.6 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 123.7 (CH), 120.1 (C), 117.3 (CH), 115.0 (CH), 98.6 (CH), 32.42 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.36 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.59 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.57 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.12 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.10 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 459.2795, found 459.2796; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 86.42; H, 7.47; N, 6.11. Found: C, 86.31; H, 7.53; N, 6.02.

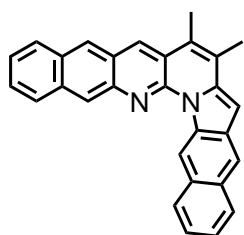
**7,8-Dipentylbenzo[*g*]benzo[*f'*]indolo[1,2-*a*][1,8]naphthyridine (6b).** Brownish red solid: Mp 174.1–



175.9 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 9.78 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H), 8.42 (s, 1H), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.47 (ddd, *J* = 1.0, 6.8, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (ddd, *J* = 0.9, 6.8, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 10.5 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 10.5 Hz, 2H), 1.77–1.70 (m, 4H), 1.60–1.41 (m, 8H), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 147.8 (C), 142.3 (C), 137.1 (C), 135.2 (C), 134.3 (C), 131.1 (CH), 130.9 (C), 130.1 (C), 130.0 (C), 129.2 (C), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 125.0 (CH), 124.8 (C), 124.4 (CH), 123.4 (CH), 122.9 (CH), 121.1 (C), 120.3 (CH), 118.2 (CH), 100.4 (CH), 32.401 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.400 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.64 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.57 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.599 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.597 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.13 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.11 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 459.2795, found 459.2793; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 86.42; H, 7.47; N, 6.11. Found: C, 86.19; H, 7.50; N, 5.99.

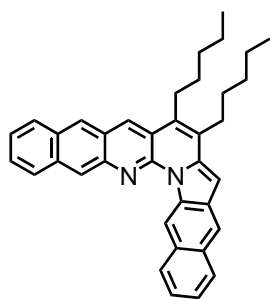
### 1.3.3 Synthesis of 7

**7,8-Dimethylbenzo[*f'*]indolo[1,2-*a*]naphtho[2,3-*g*][1,8]naphthyridine (7a).** To a heated toluene (1



mL) solution of RhCl(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (14.1 mg, 0.015 mmol) was slowly added toluene (3 mL) solution of carbodiimide **3a** (60.8 mg, 0.15 mmol) at 120 °C. After being stirred for 20 min at 120 °C, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, and manganese(IV) oxide was added. After being stirred for 38 h, the mixture was extracted with chloroform (100 mL), and the resulting insoluble material was removed by passing through Celite. The filtrate was condensed to ca. 1/5 volume, and the resulting solid was collected by filtration and washed with ethyl acetate to give red solid of **7a** (30 mg, 50%) as a first crop. The filtrate was evaporated and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (chloroform/hexane = 1/2) to give a second crop of **7a** (9.1 mg, 15%). Mp 296.1 °C (dec); IR (KBr): 3042, 2923, 2854, 1596, 1542, 1457, 1396 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 10.19 (s, 1H), 8.72 (s, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H), 8.31 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.57–7.47 (m, 4H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,

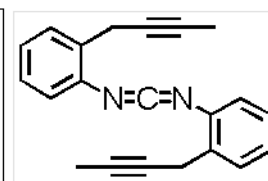
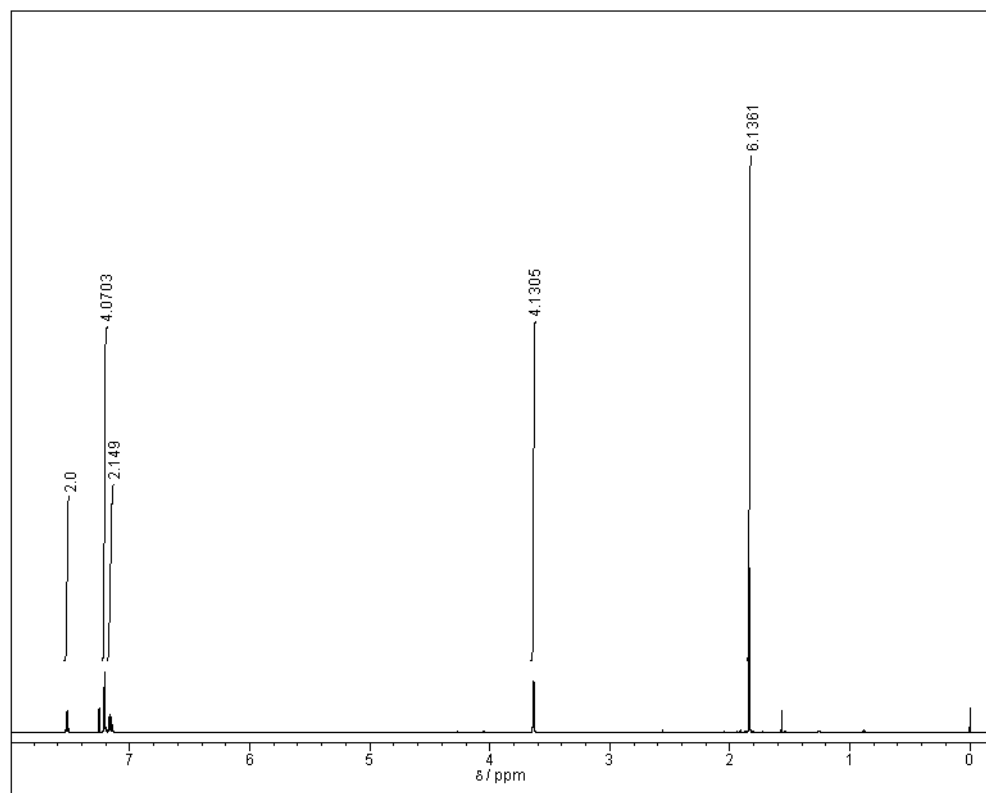
$\delta$ ): 147.7 (C), 142.7 (C), 140.7 (C), 135.2 (C), 134.5 (C), 131.3 (C), 130.9 (C), 130.8 (CH), 130.6 (C), 130.4 (C), 129.2 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 126.9 (C), 126.6 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 125.1 (C), 125.0 (CH), 124.8 (C), 124.2 (CH), 124.1 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 122.1 (C), 117.7 (CH), 115.1 (CH), 100.3 (CH), 15.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 397.1699, found 397.1699; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 87.85; H, 5.08; N, 7.07. Found: C, 87.59; H, 5.13; N, 6.88.



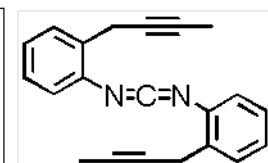
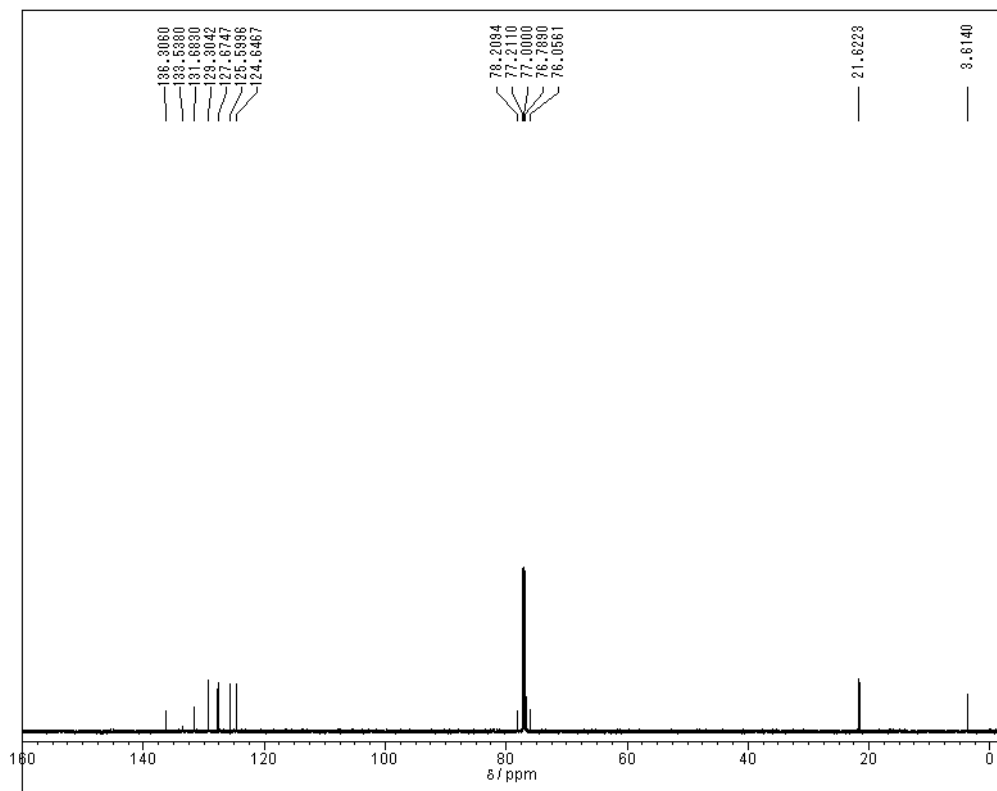
**7,8-Dipentylbenzo[*f*]indolo[1,2-*a*]naphtho[2,3-*g*][1,8]naphthyridine (7b).** To a heated toluene (1 mL) solution of RhCl(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (9.2 mg, 0.01 mmol) was slowly added a toluene (1 mL) solution of carbodiimide **3b** (50.9 mg, 0.10 mmol). After being stirred for 20 min, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, and manganese(IV) oxide (26.0 mg, 0.30 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 24 h, and the resulting insoluble material was removed by passing through Celite. The filtrate was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (chloroform/hexane = 1/2) to give **7b** (40.2 mg, 79%) as a red solid: Mp 174.7–175.1 °C; IR (KBr) 3046, 2923, 2854, 1589, 1535, 1457, 1396 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ) 10.21 (s, 1H), 8.72 (s, 1H), 8.37 (s, 1H), 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (s, 1H), 8.12 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.55–7.46 (m, 4H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 2.87 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 9.9 Hz, 2H), 2.78 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 9.8 Hz, 2H), 1.78–1.69 (m, 4H), 1.60–1.50 (m, 4H), 1.49–1.43 (m, 4H), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ) 148.0 (C), 142.6 (C), 140.2 (C), 135.1 (C), 134.5 (C), 131.3 (C), 131.2 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.8 (C), 130.7 (C), 130.4 (C), 129.9 (C), 129.2 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 125.0 (CH), 124.8 (C), 124.1 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 123.9 (CH), 121.2 (C), 117.6 (CH), 115.2 (CH), 100.2 (CH), 32.4 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 29.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.6 (CH<sub>2</sub> × 2), 14.1 (CH<sub>3</sub> × 2); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 509.2951, found 509.2952; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>36</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C, 87.36; H, 7.13; N, 5.51. Found: C, 87.15; H, 7.36; N, 5.43.

## 2. NMR Spectra

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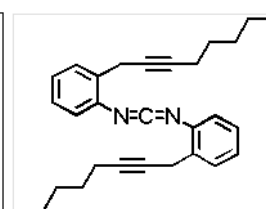
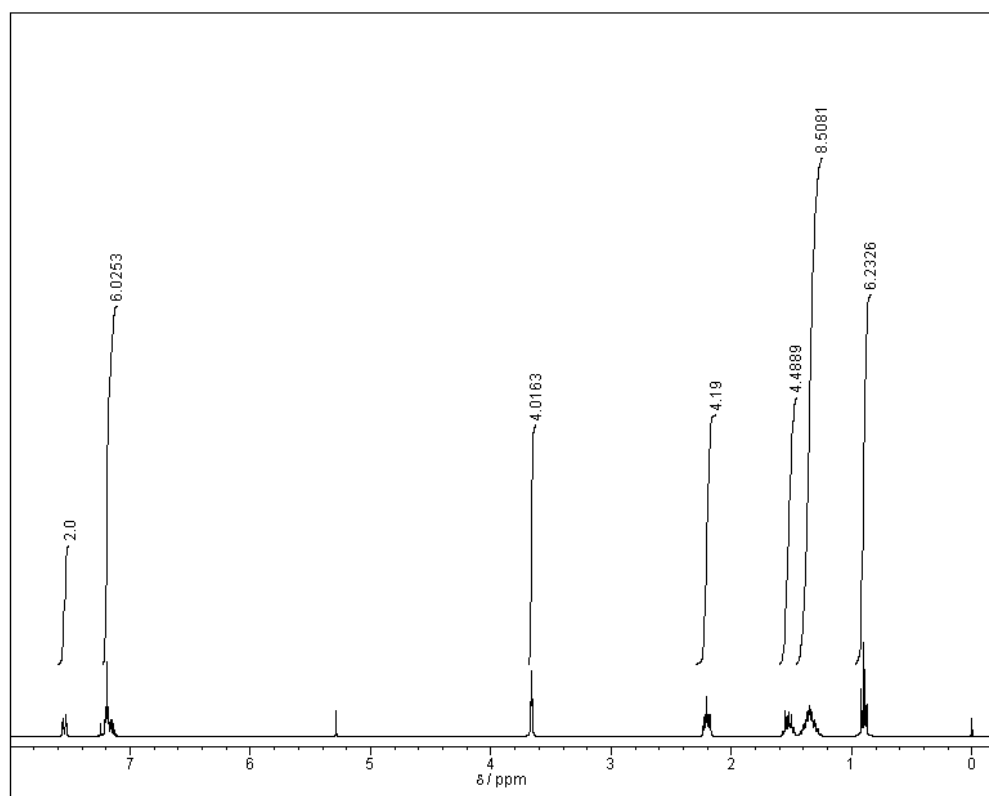


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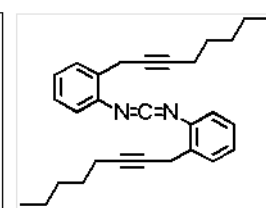
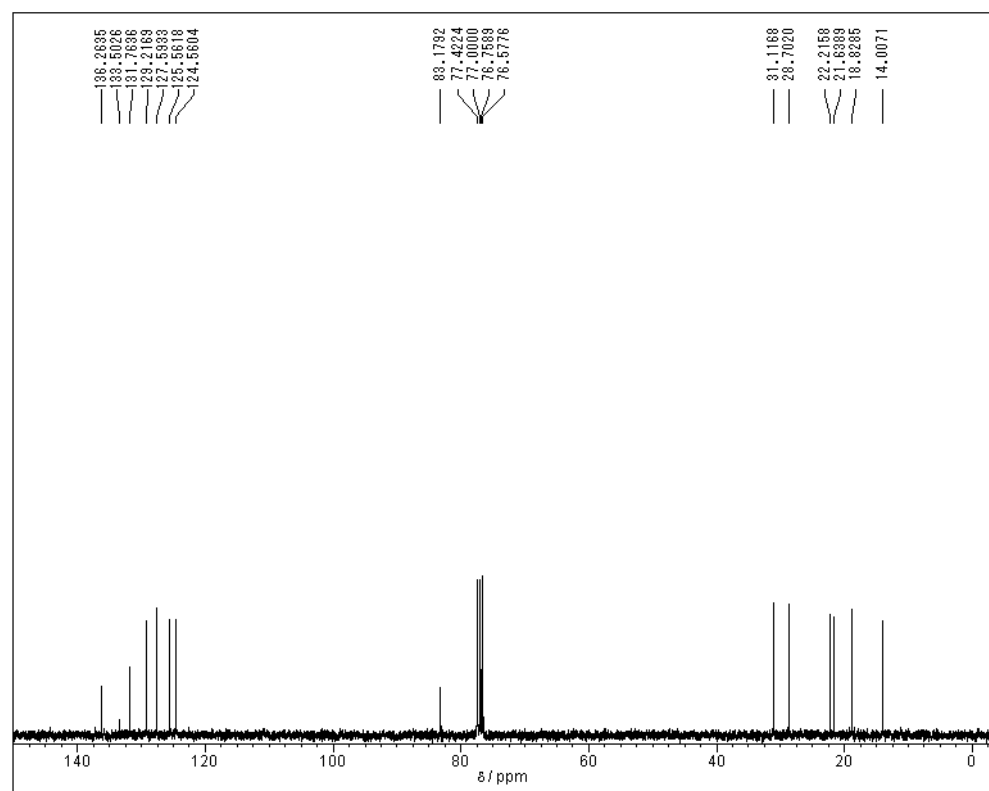


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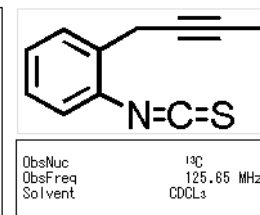
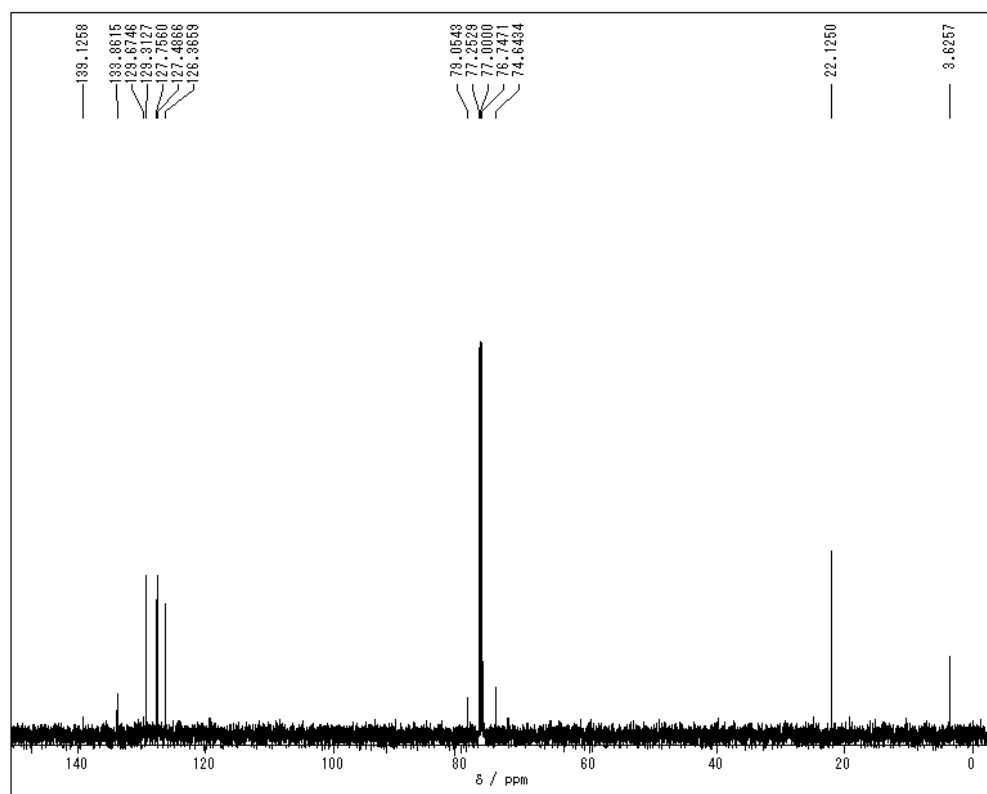
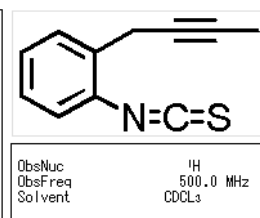
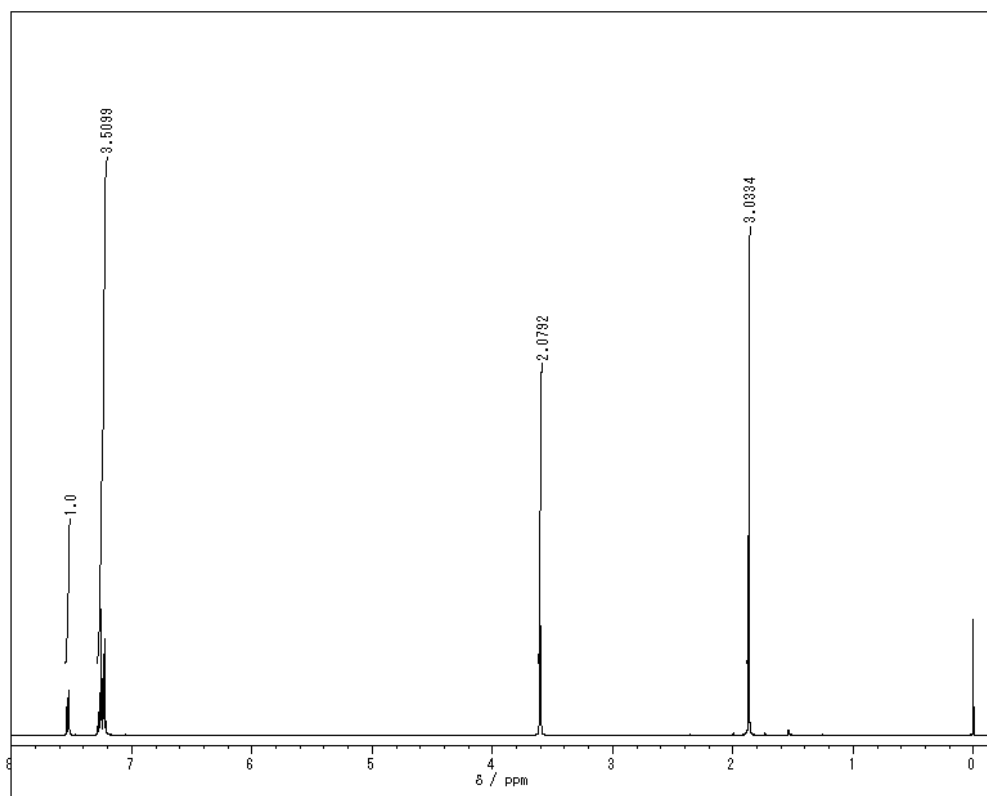


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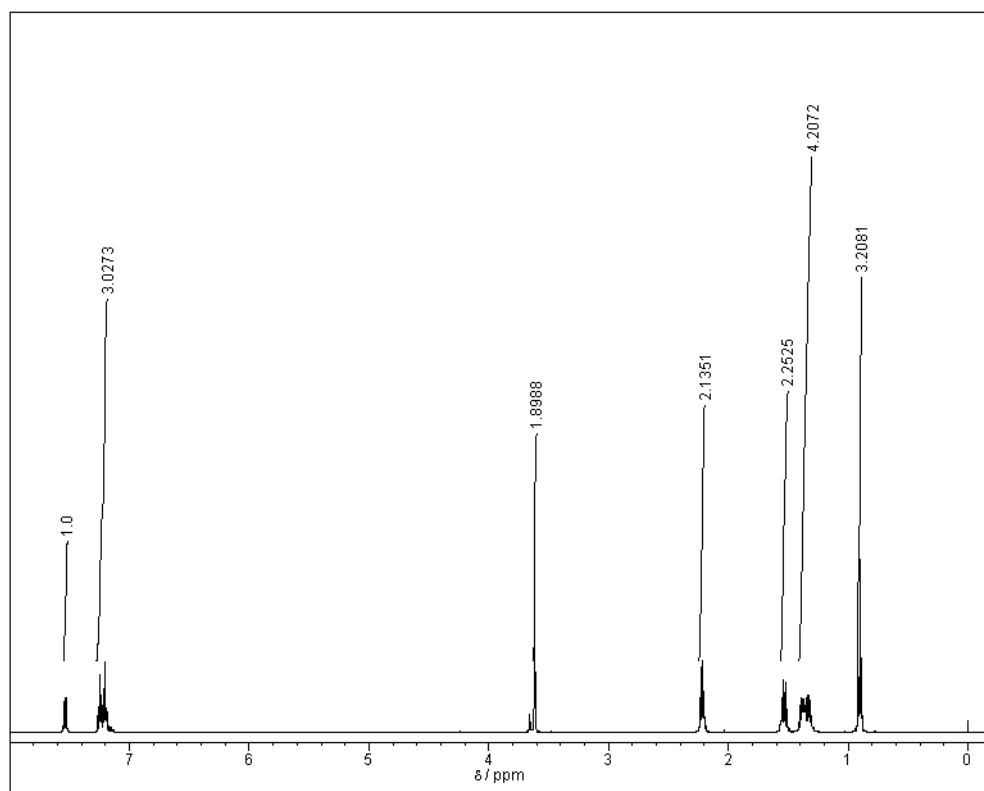


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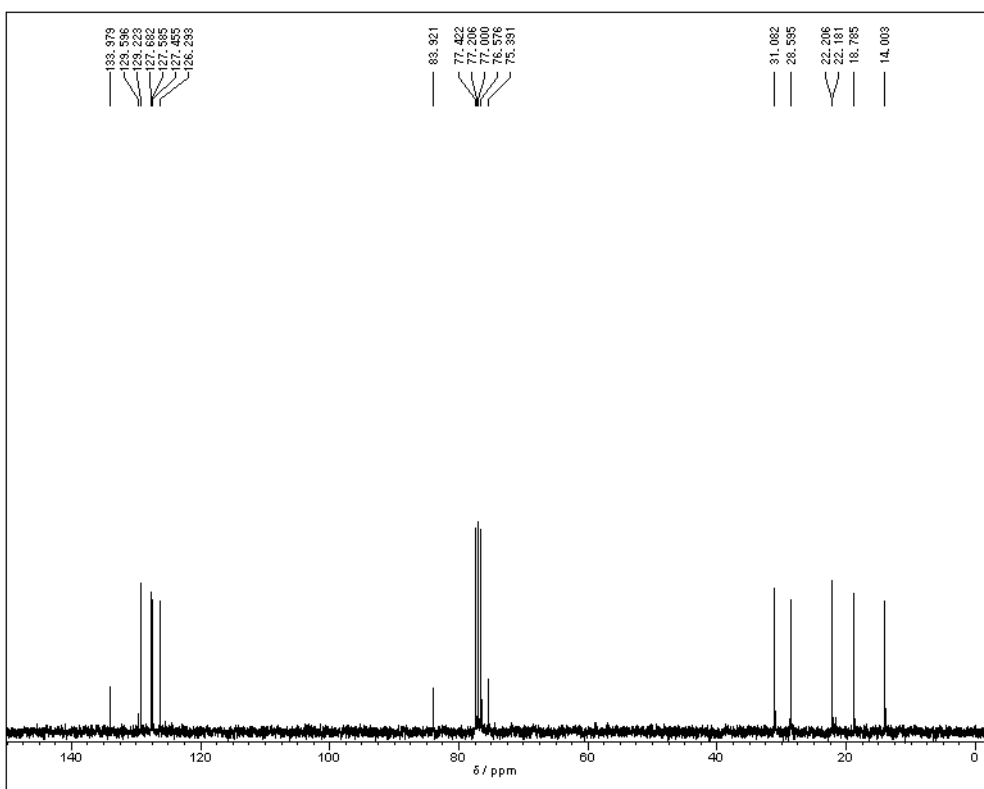
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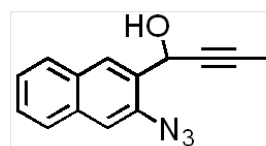
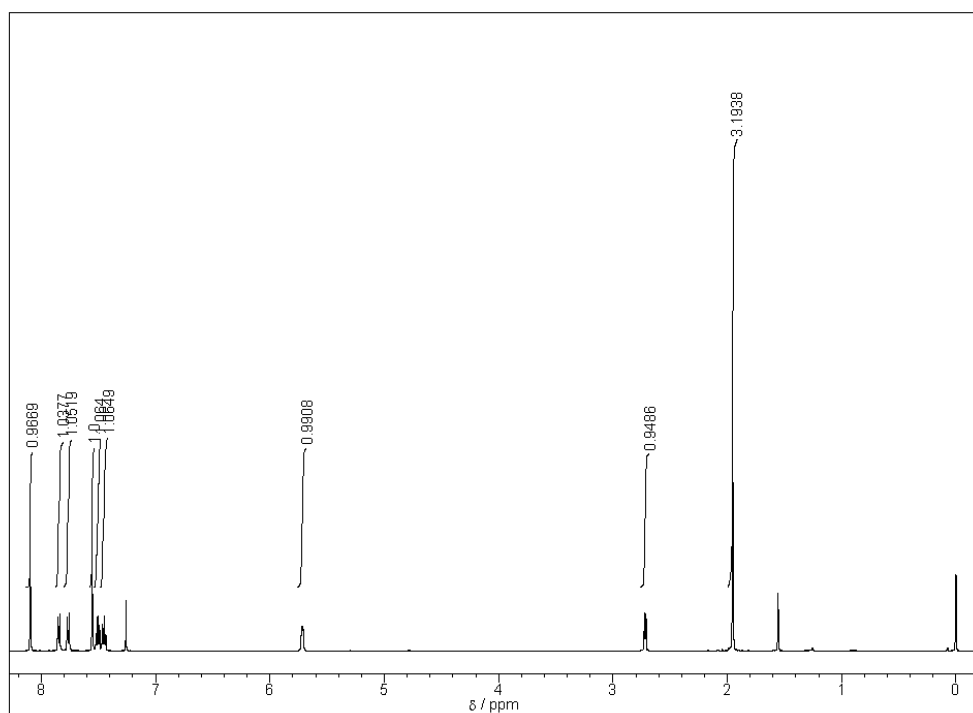


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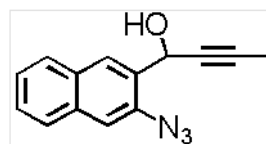
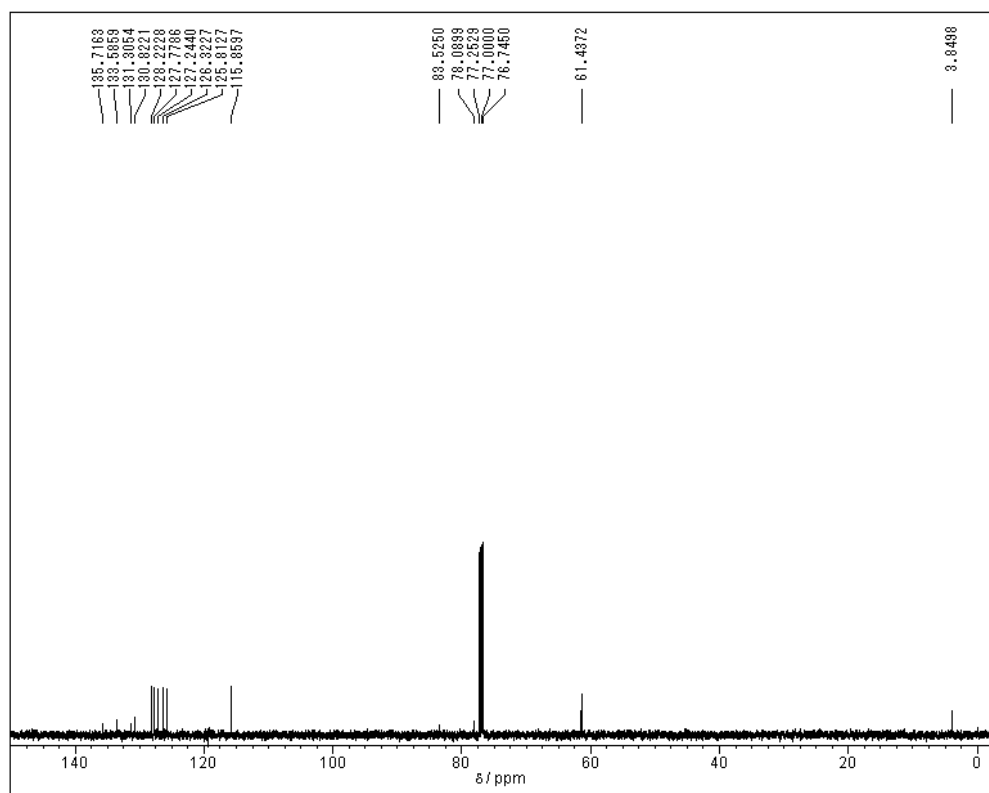


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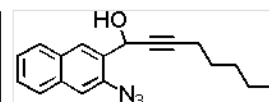
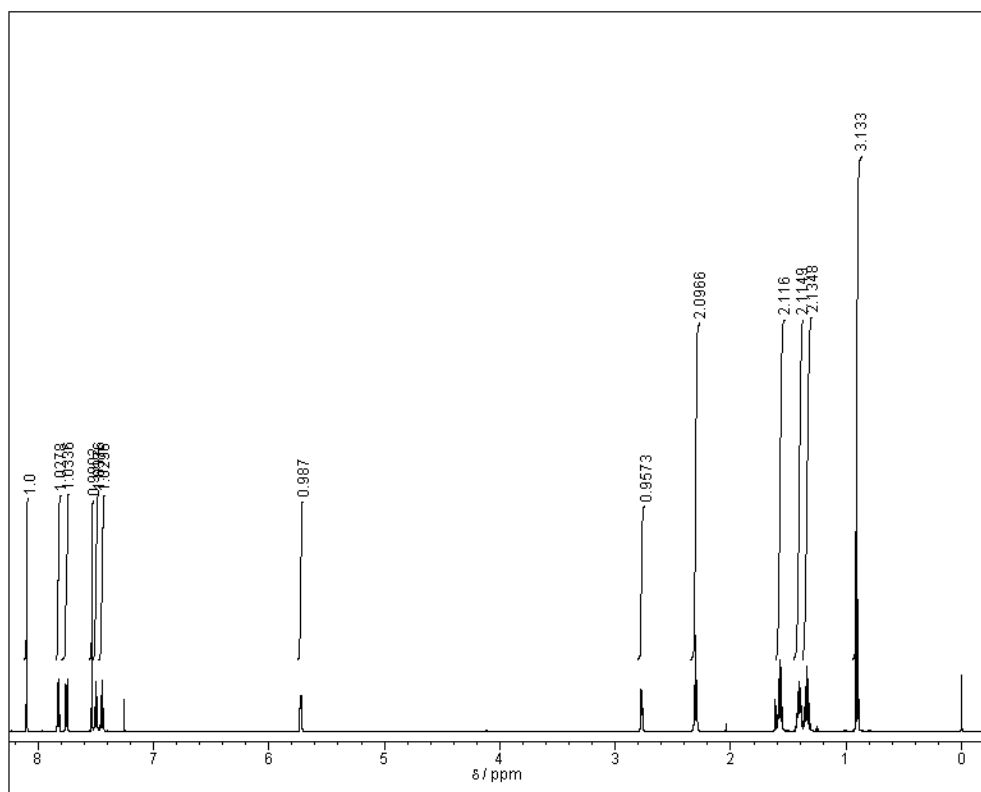
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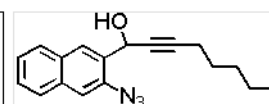
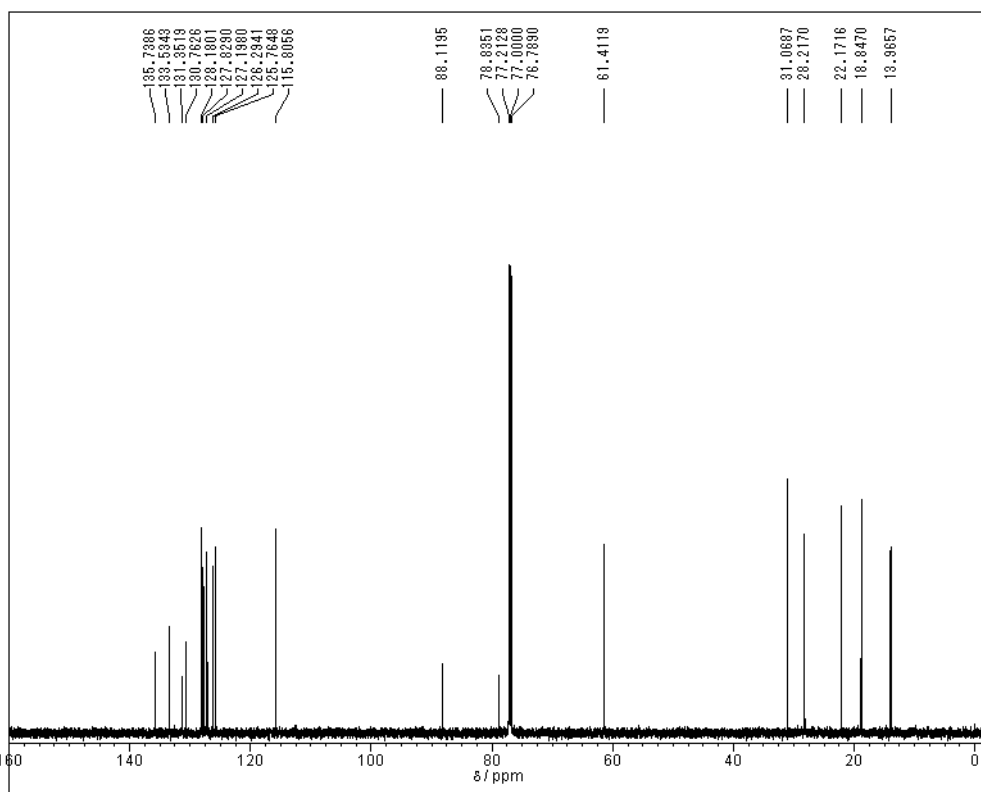
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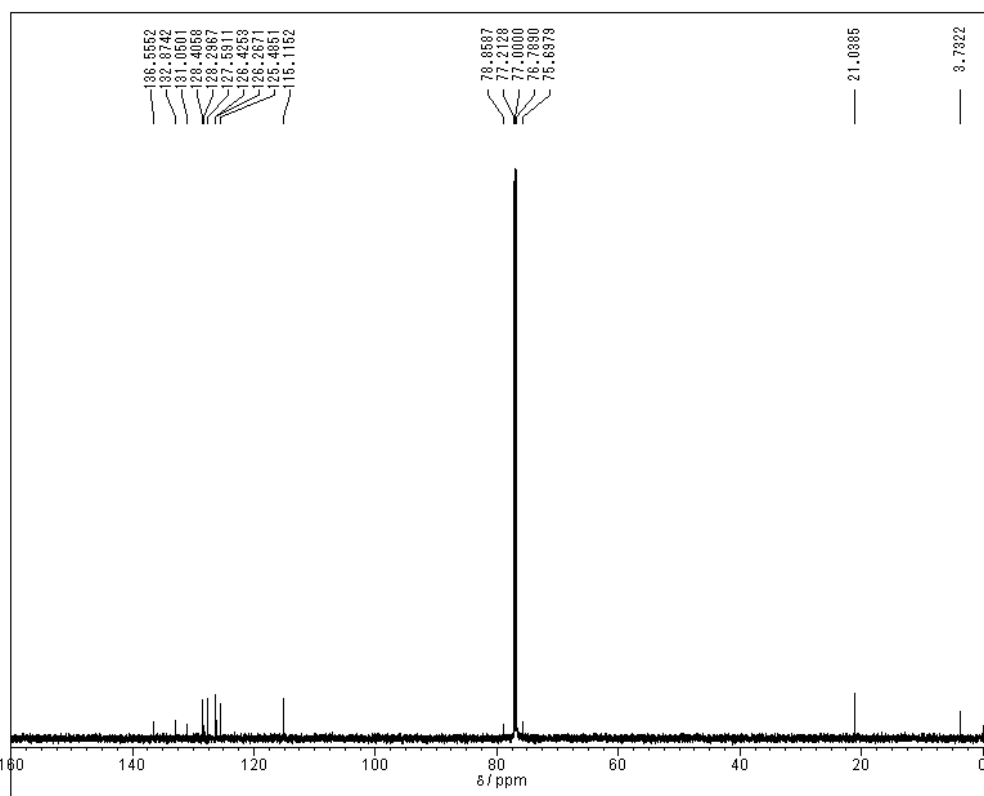
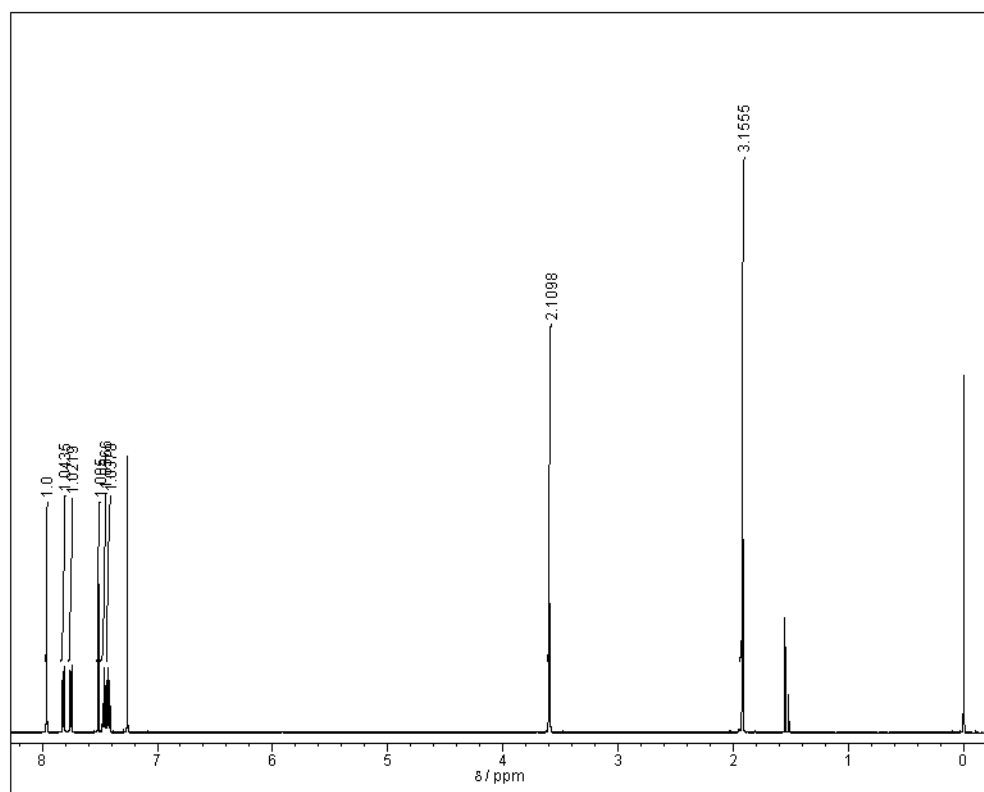


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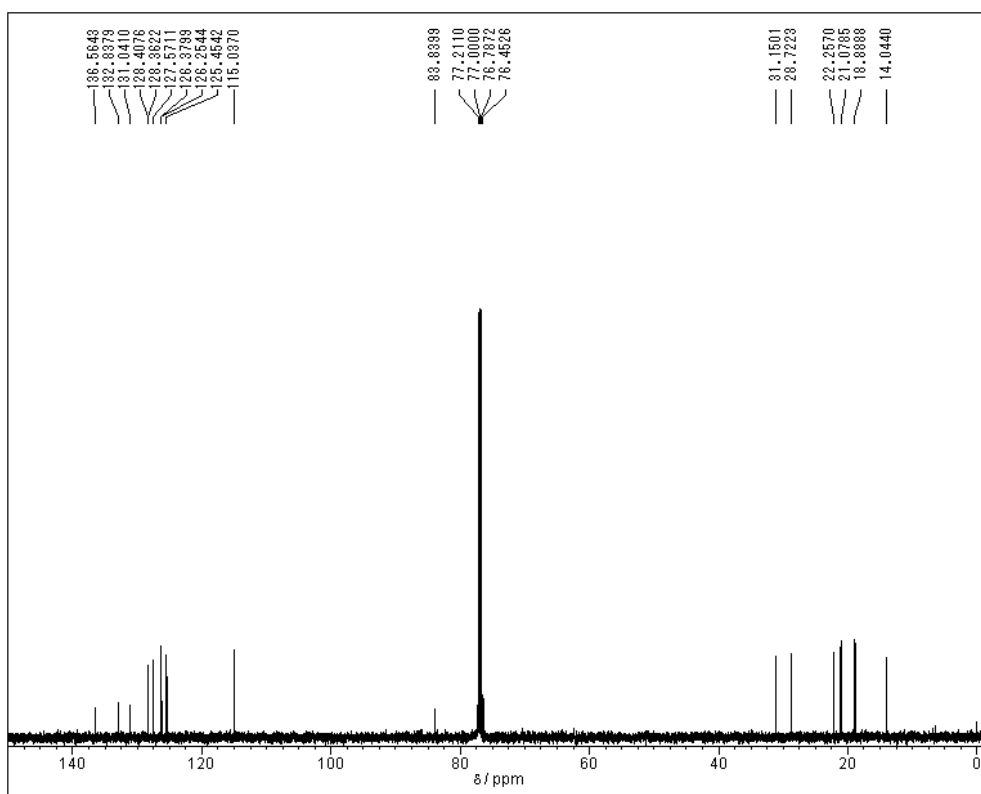
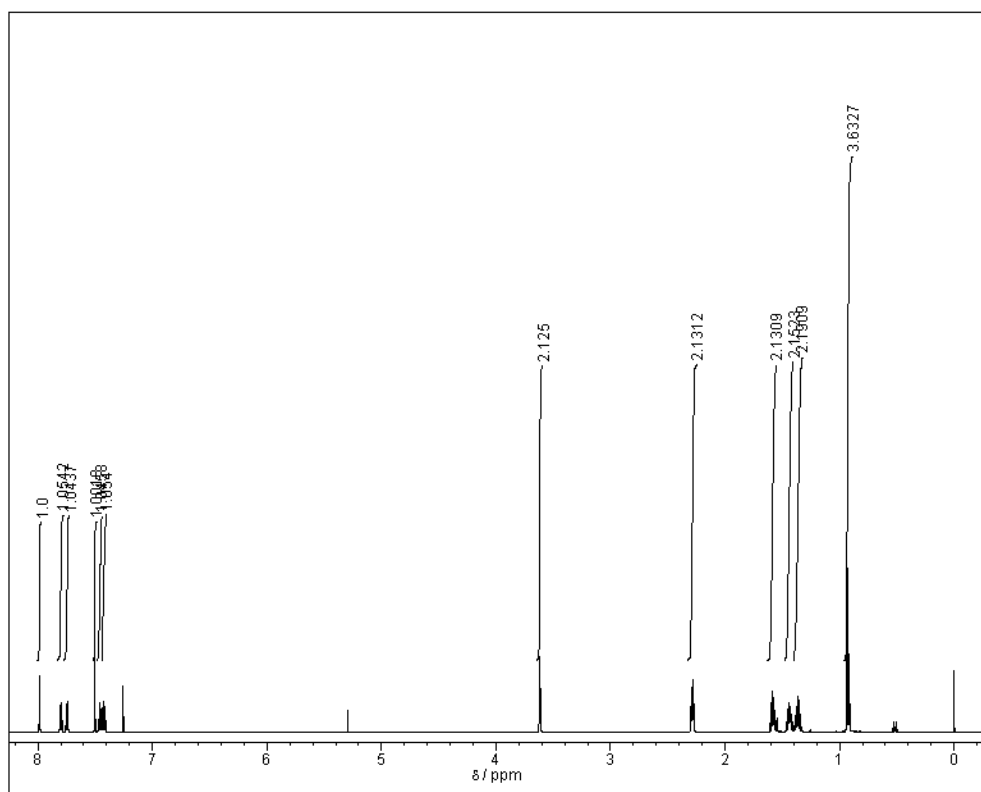


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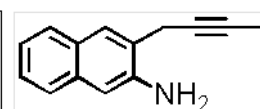
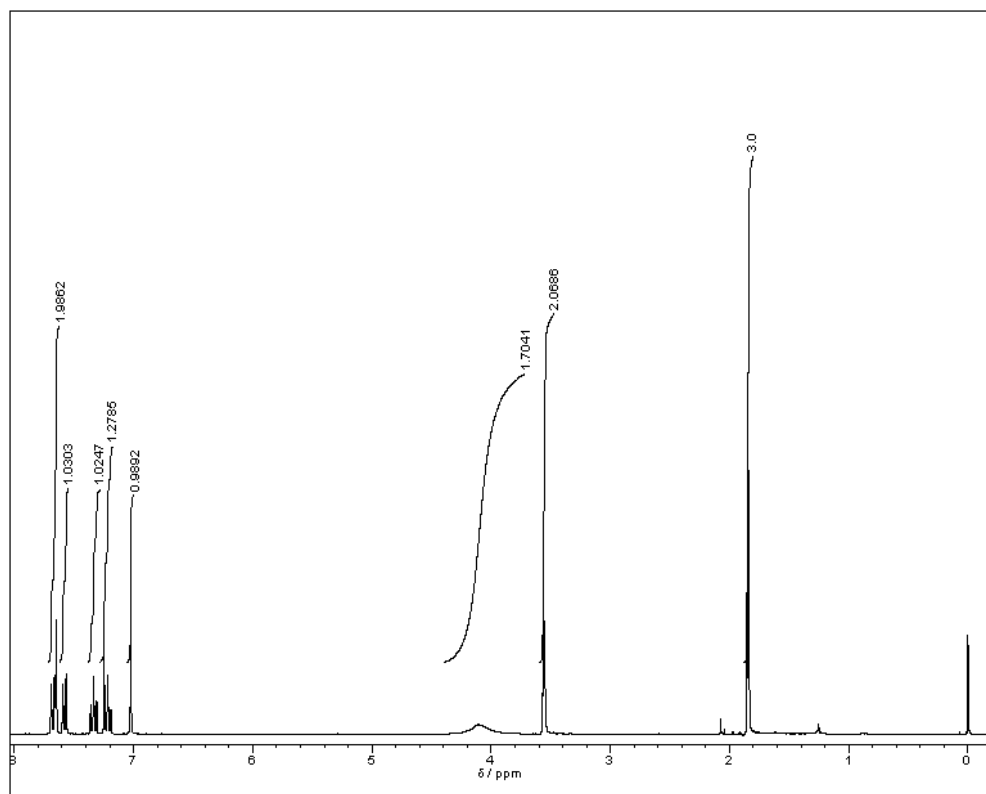
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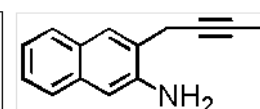
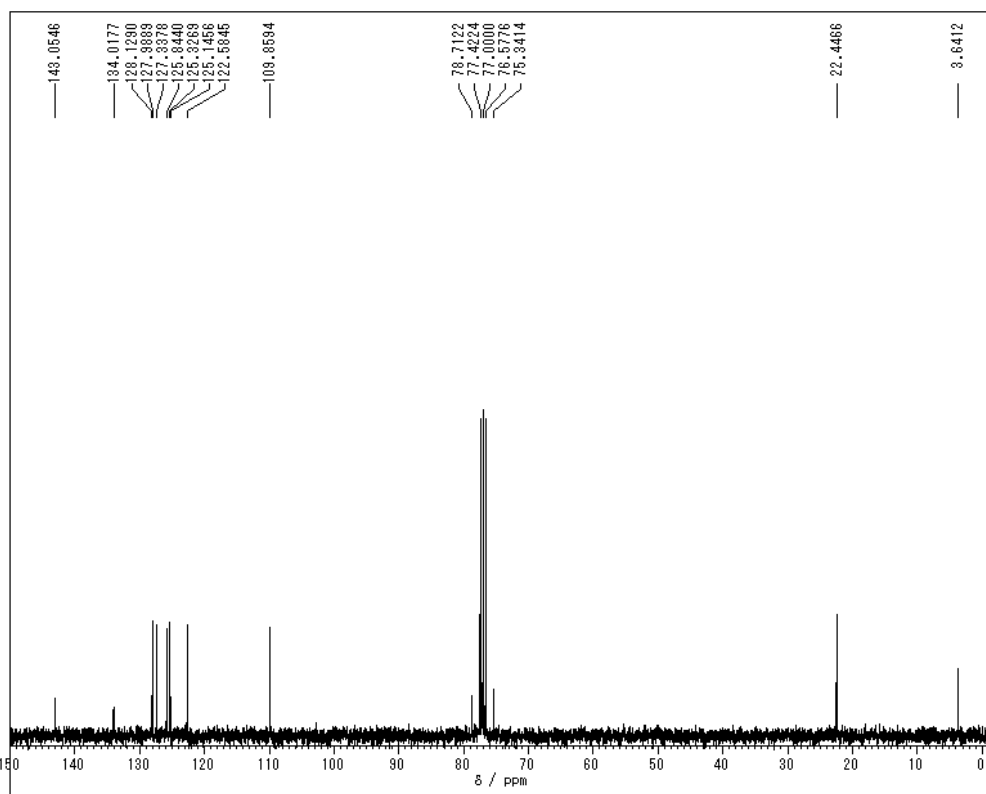
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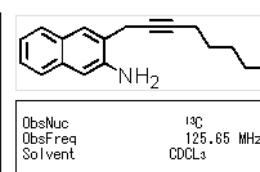
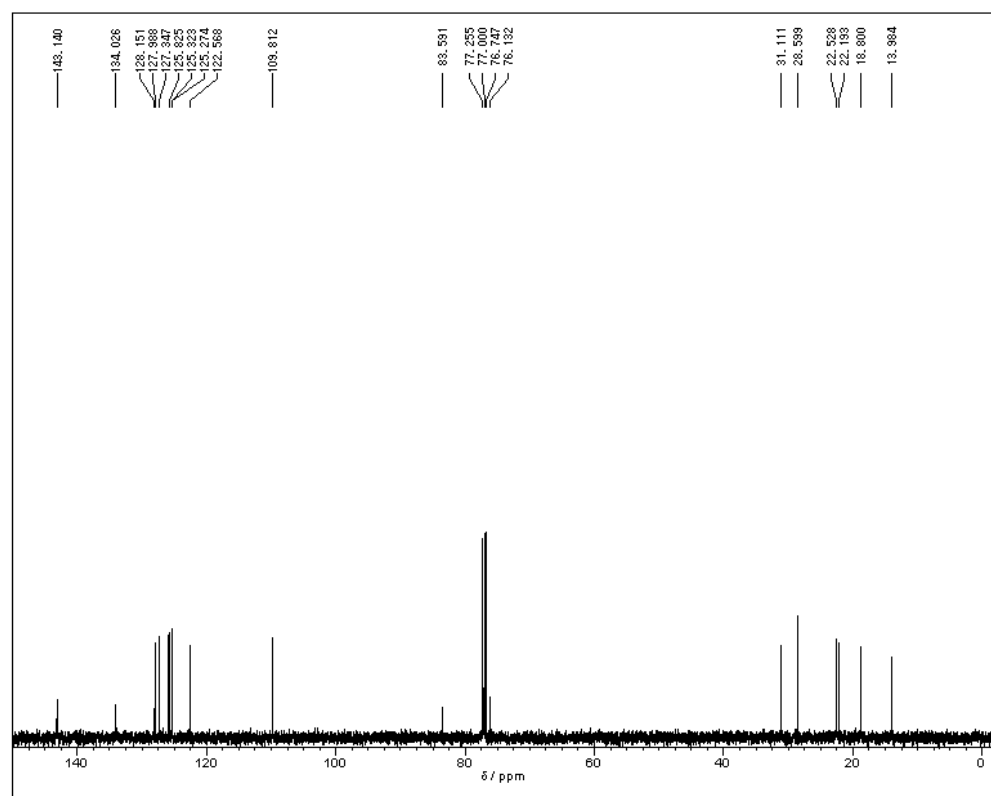
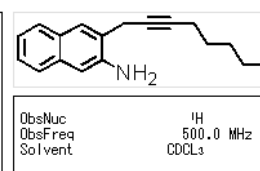
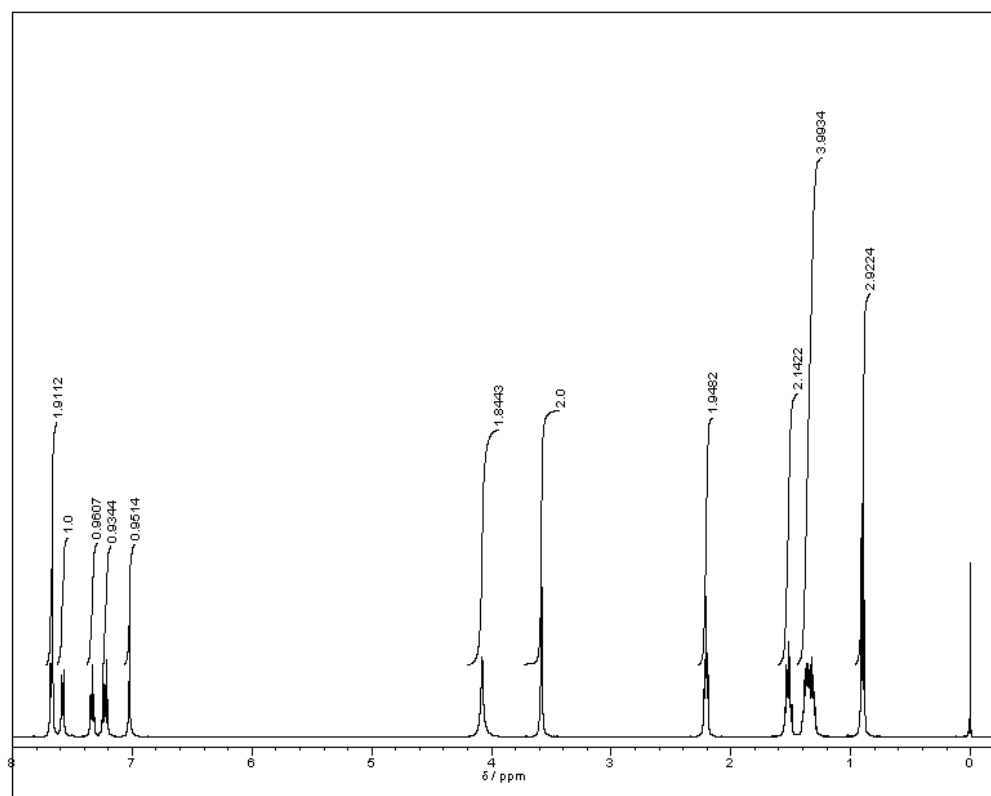


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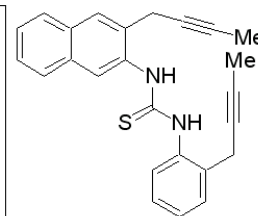
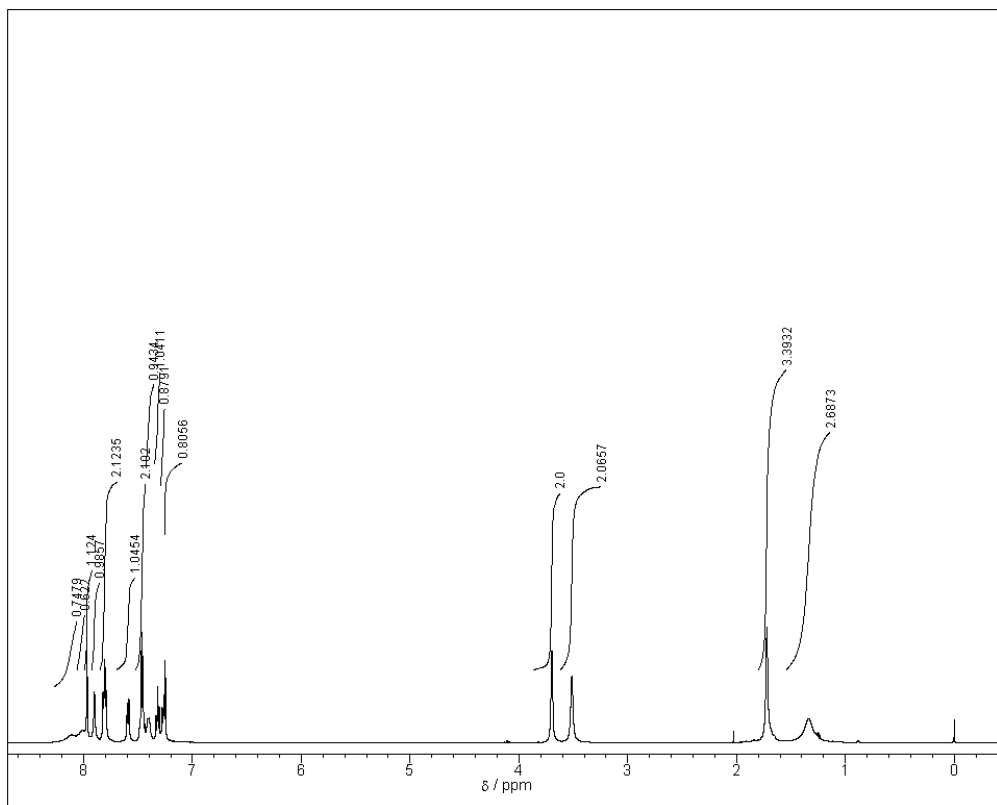


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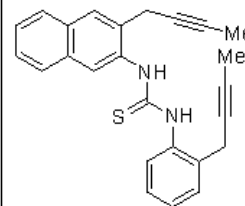
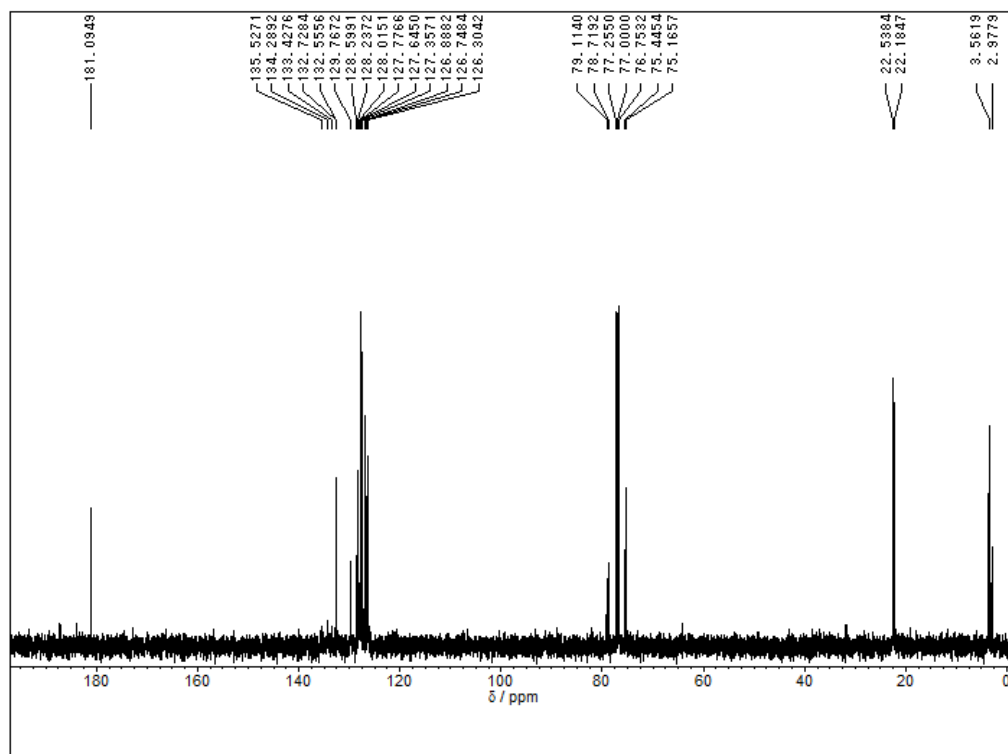
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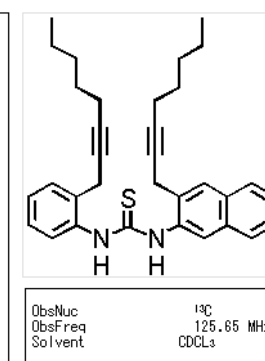
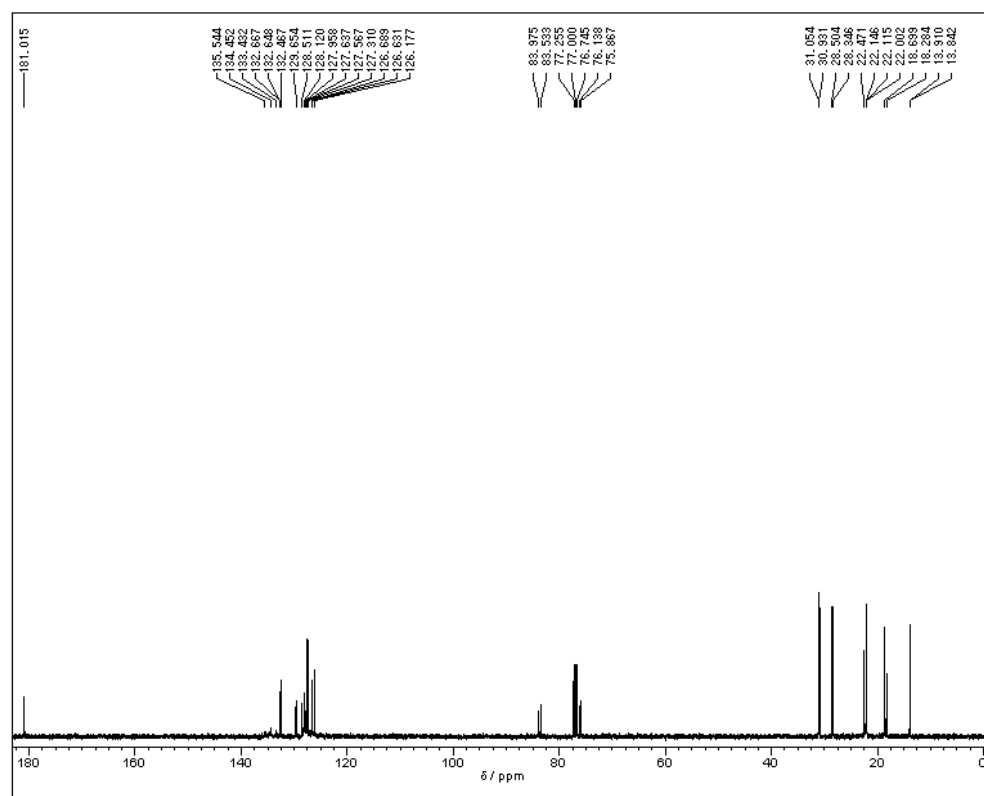
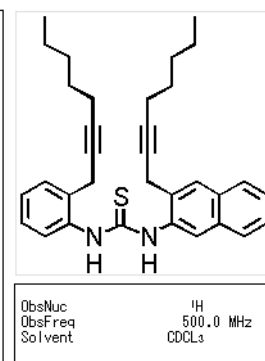
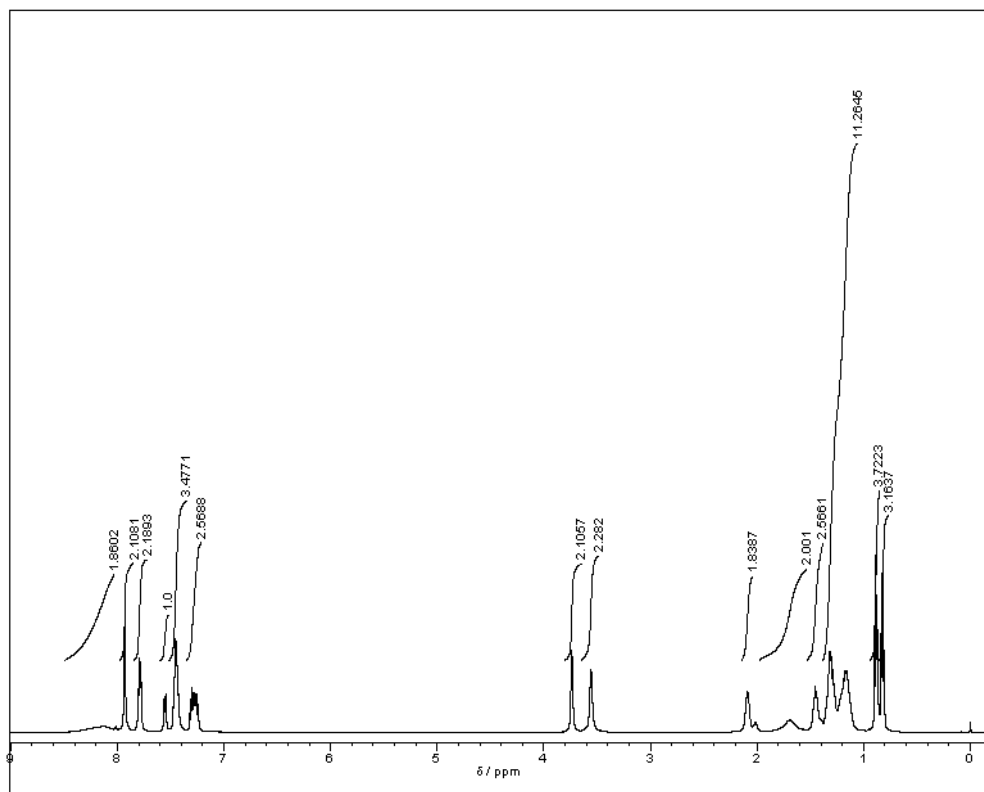


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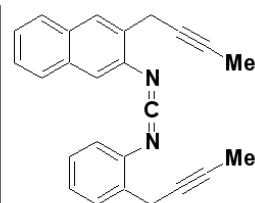
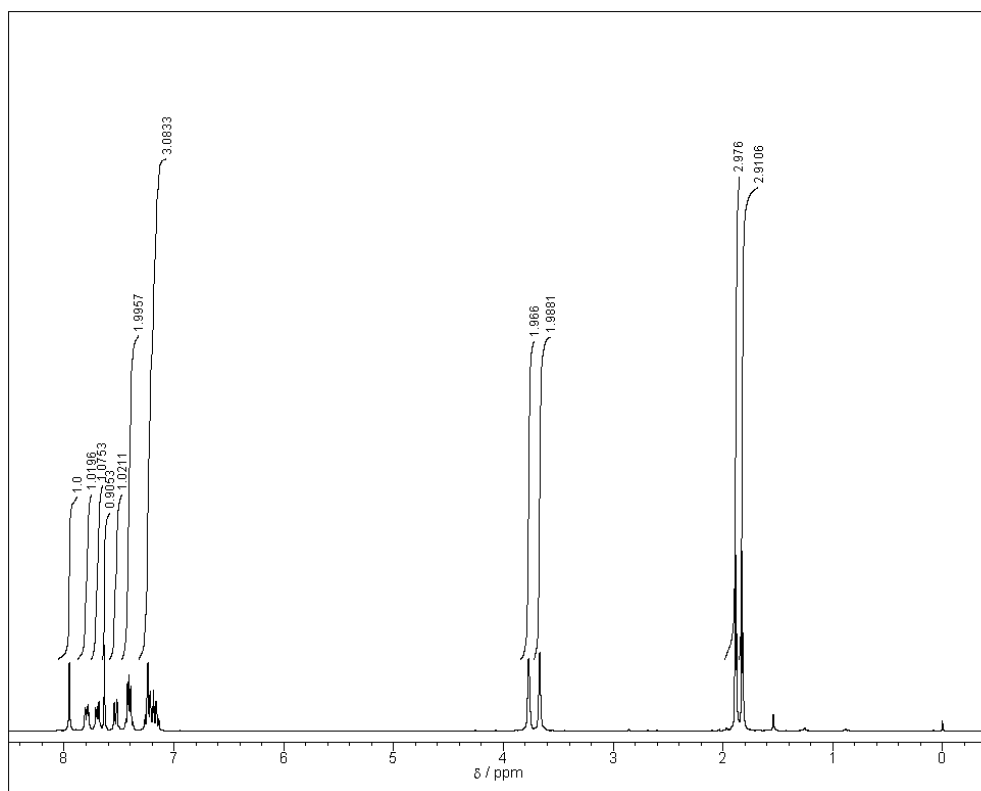


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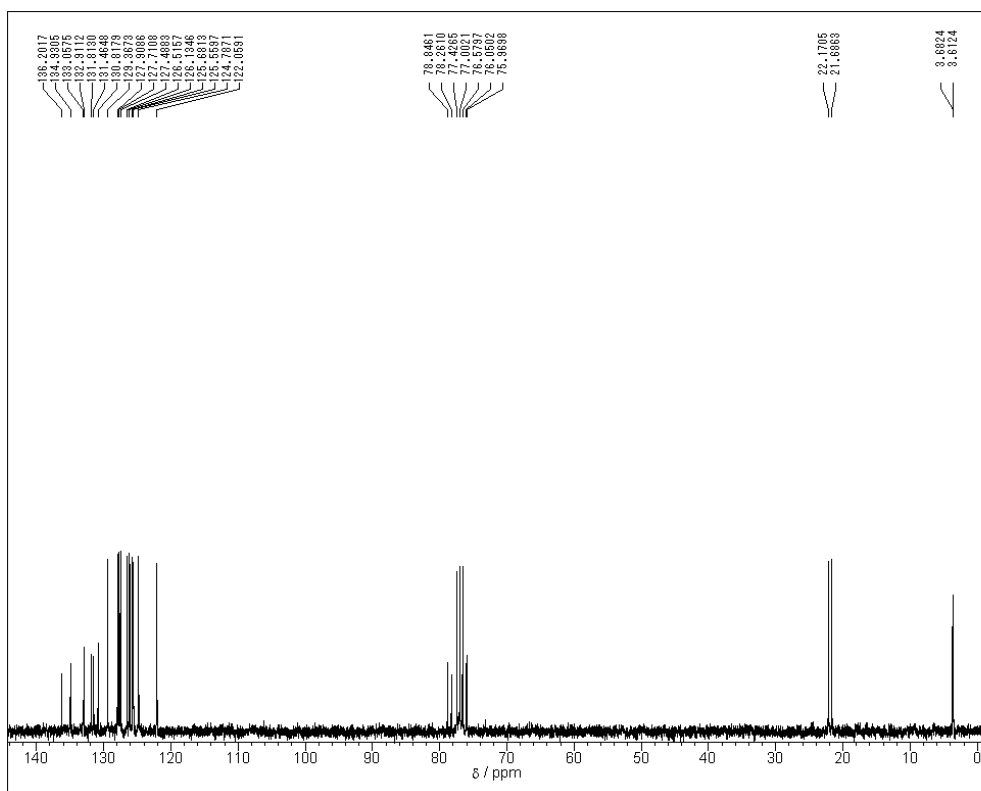
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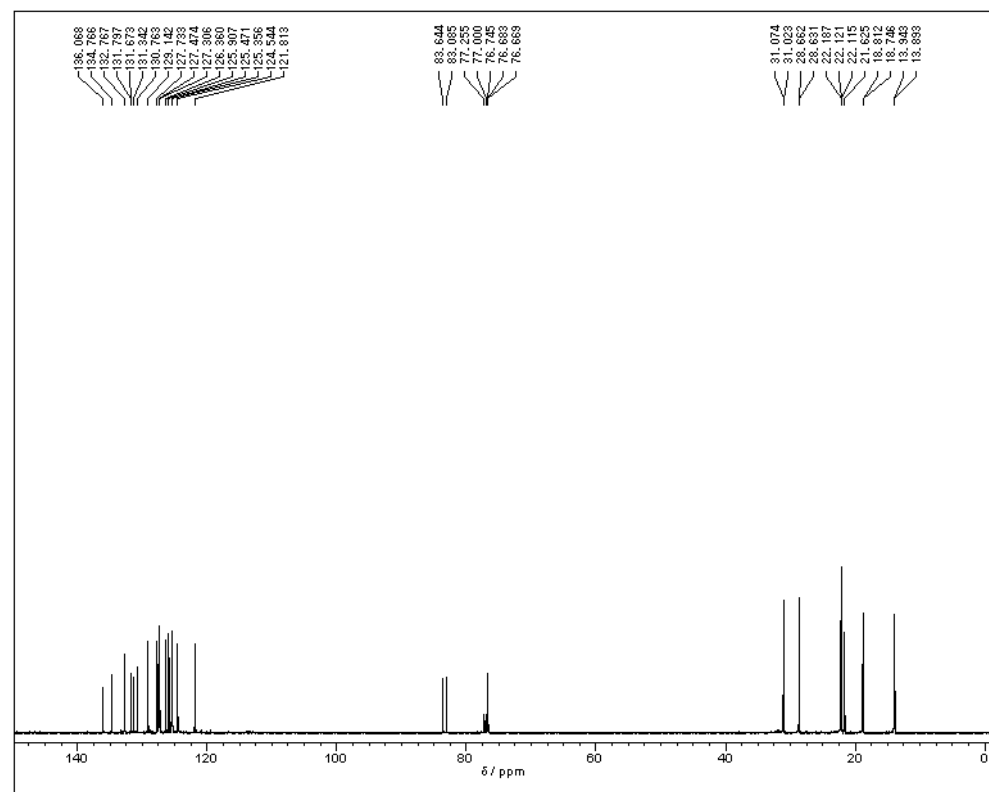
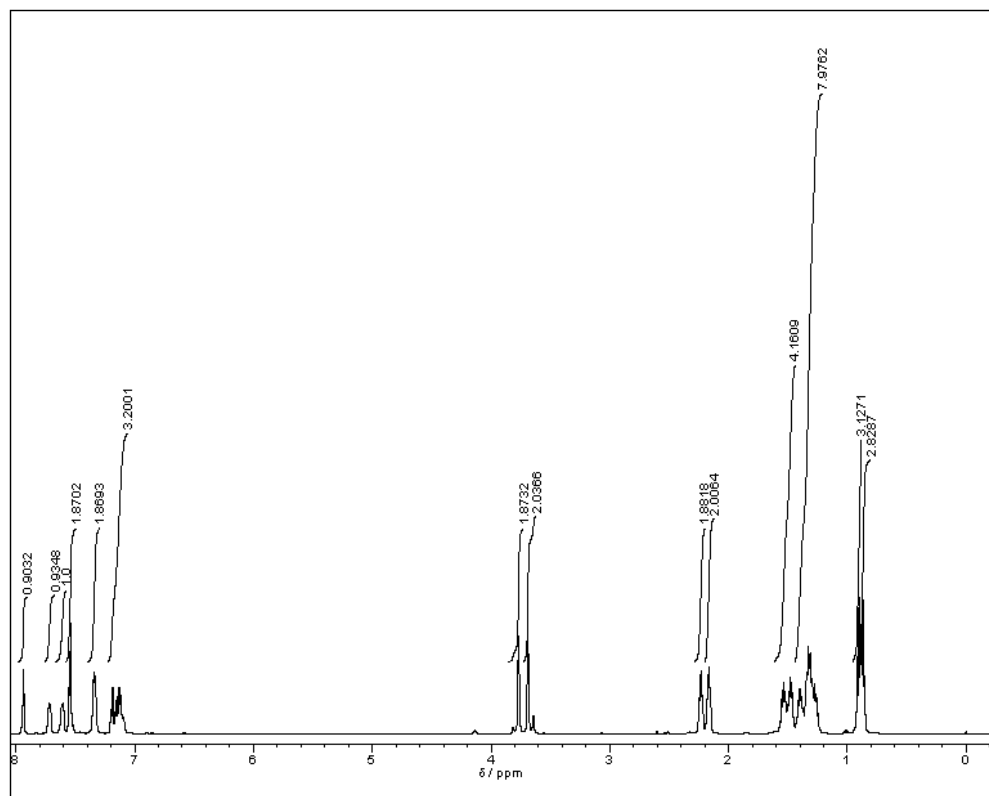
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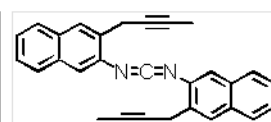
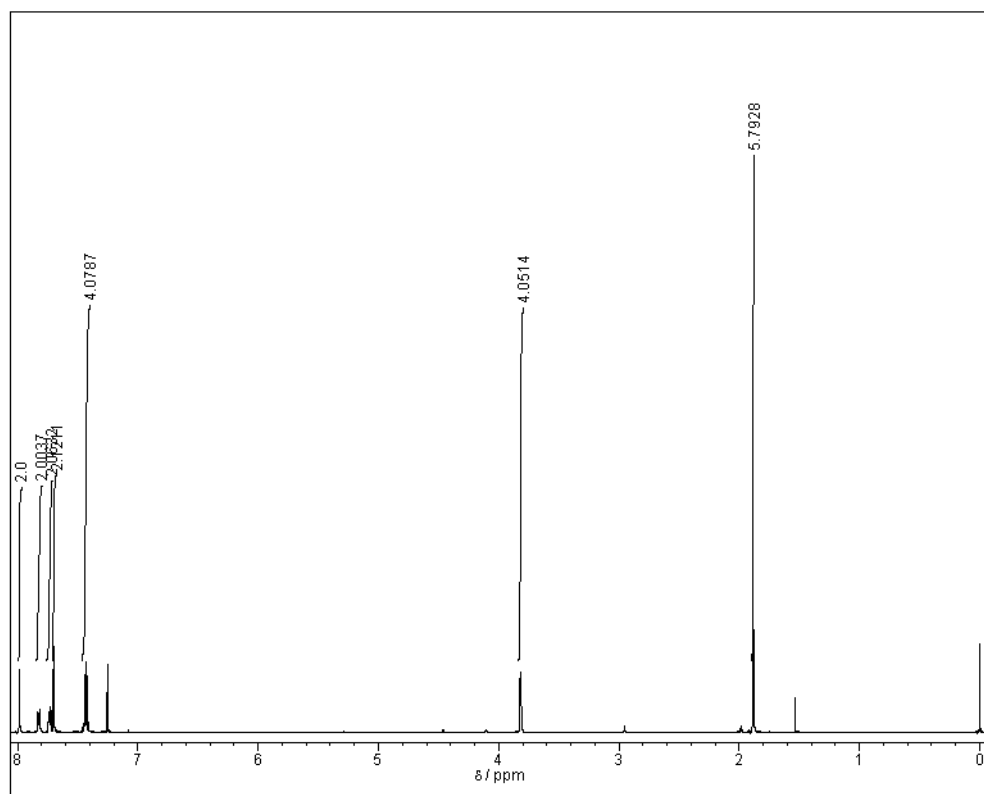
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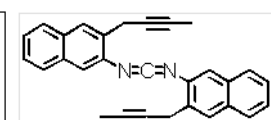
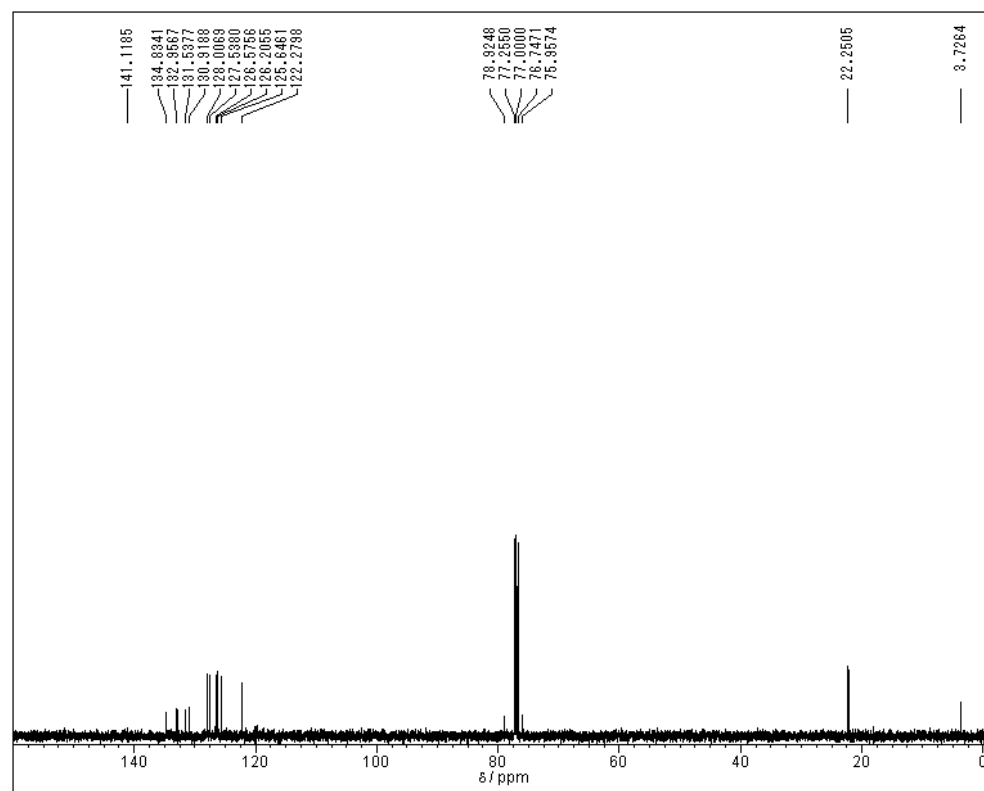
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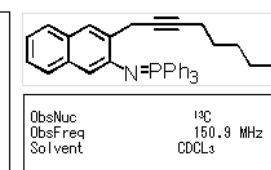
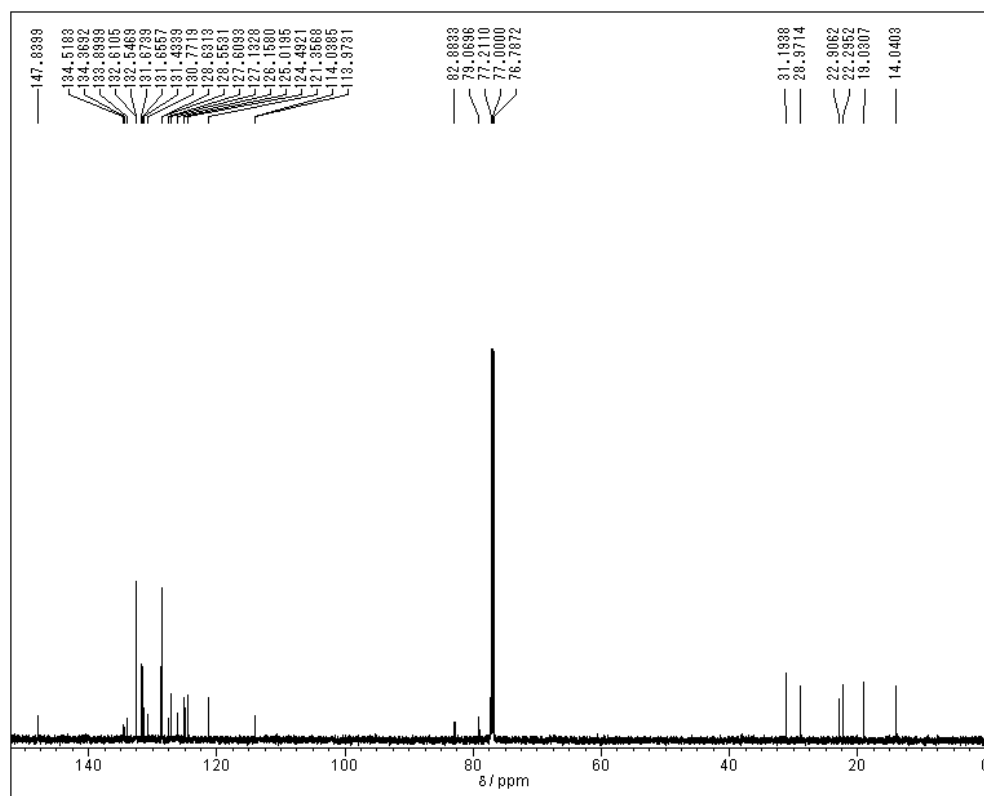
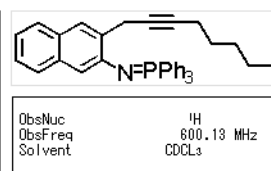
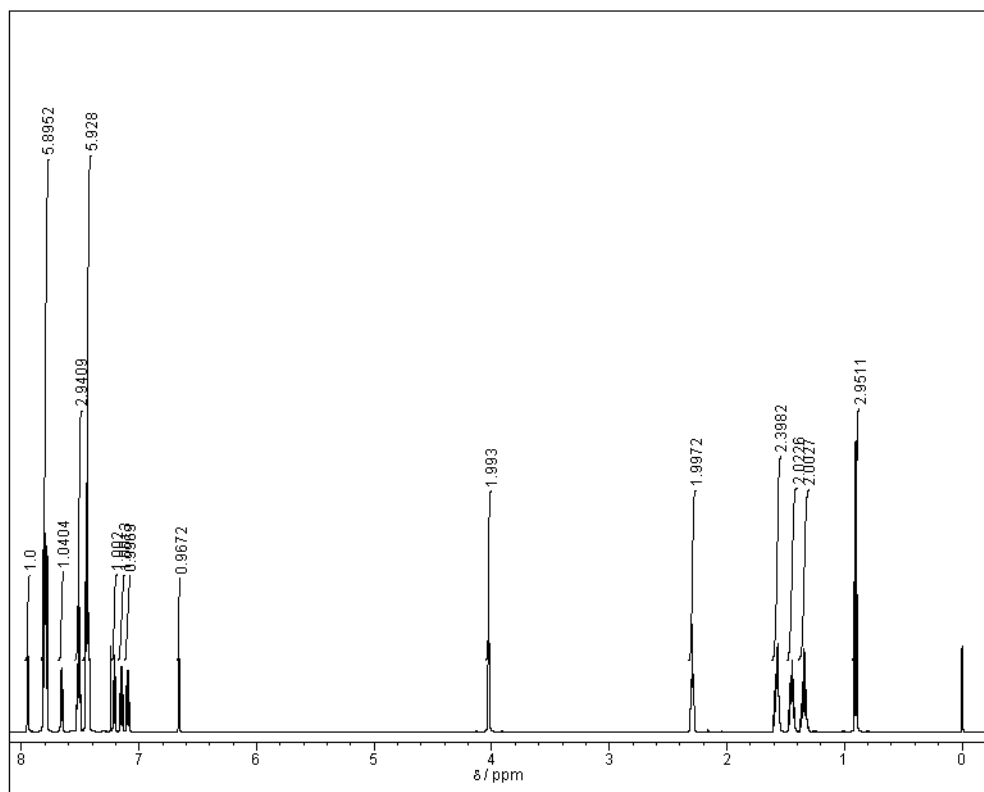


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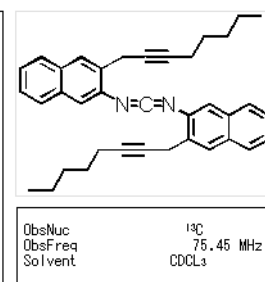
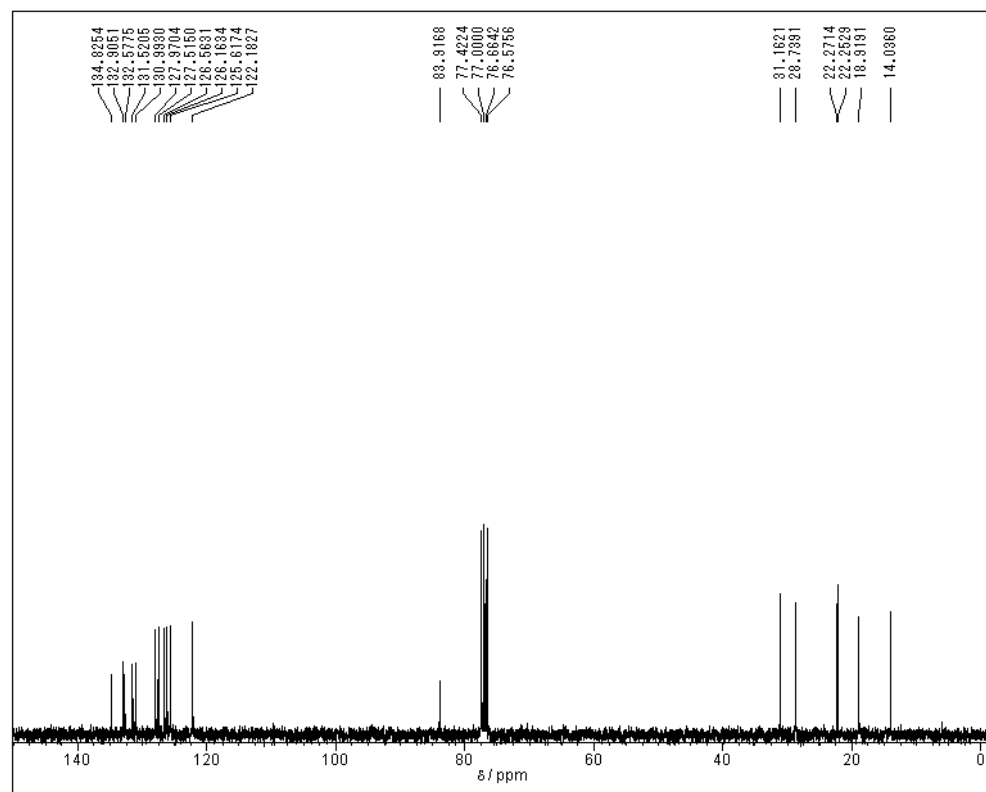
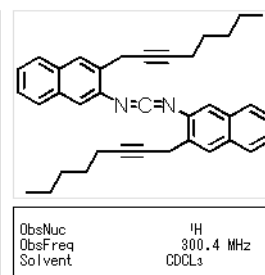
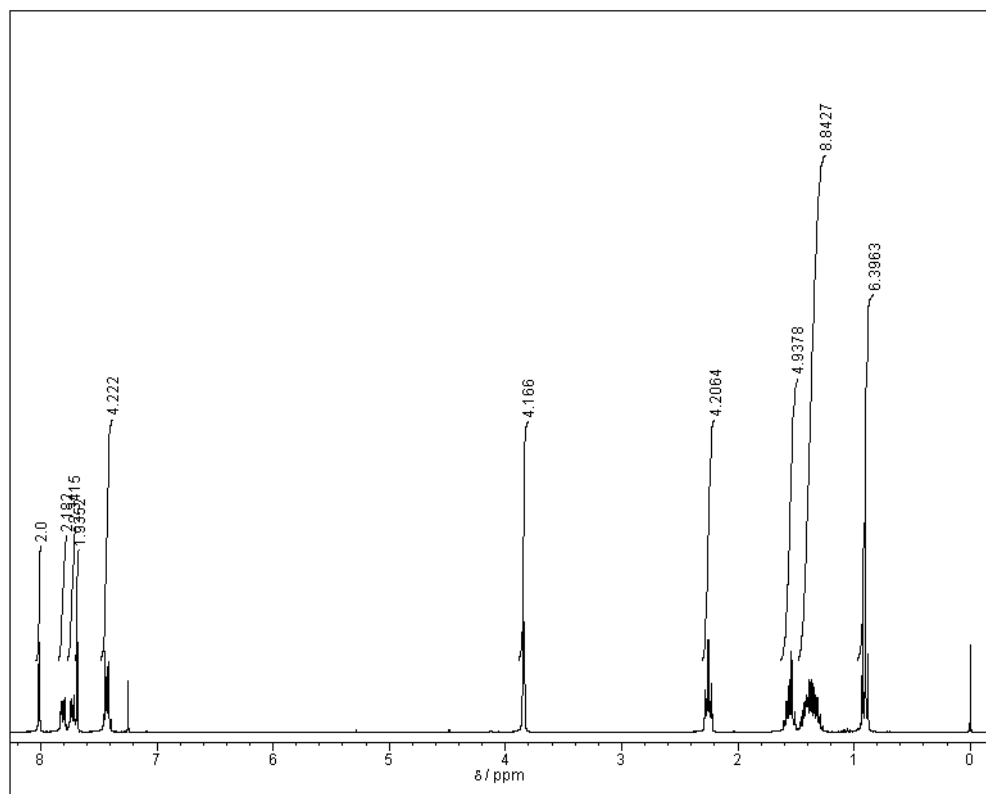


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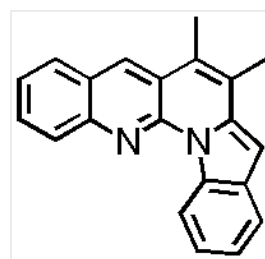
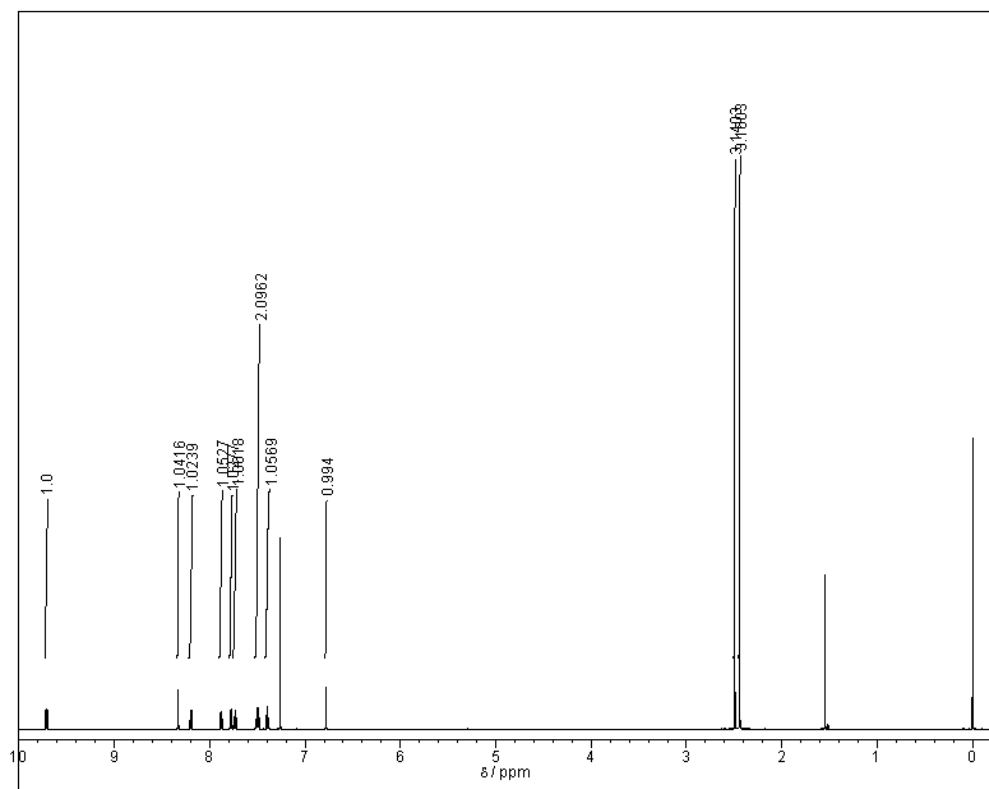
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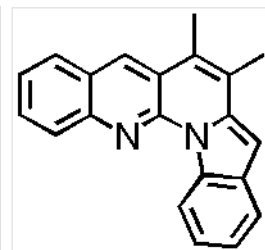
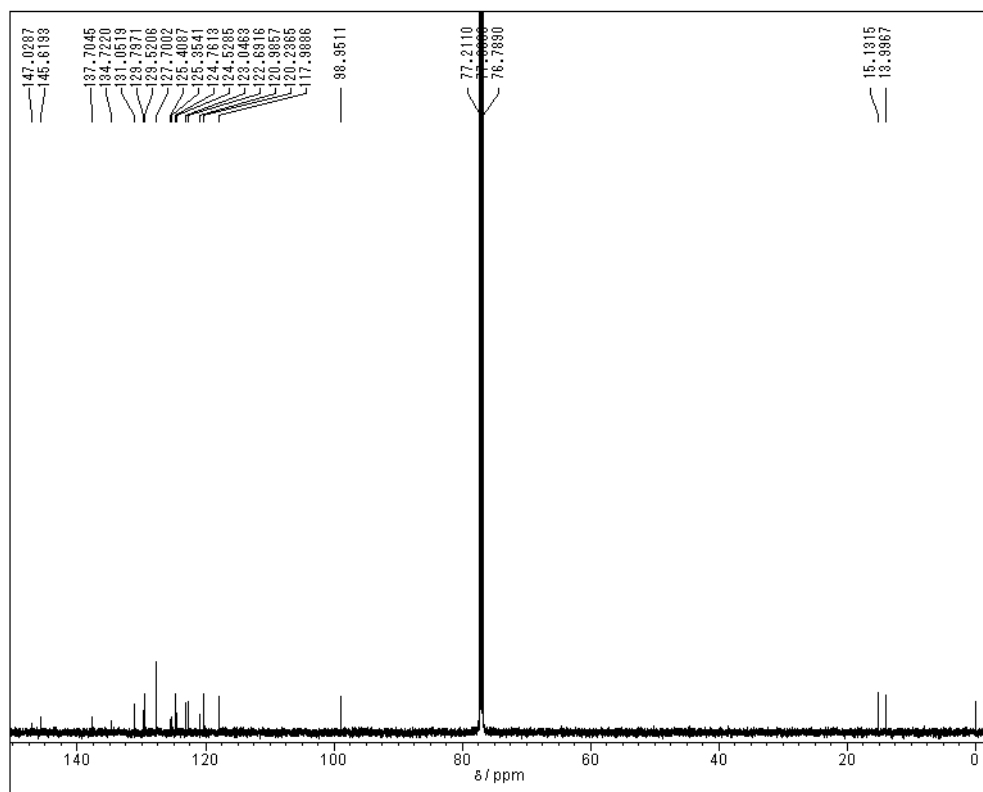
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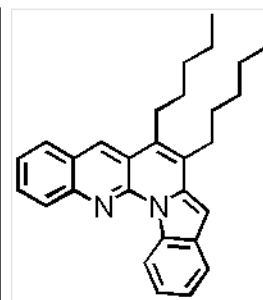
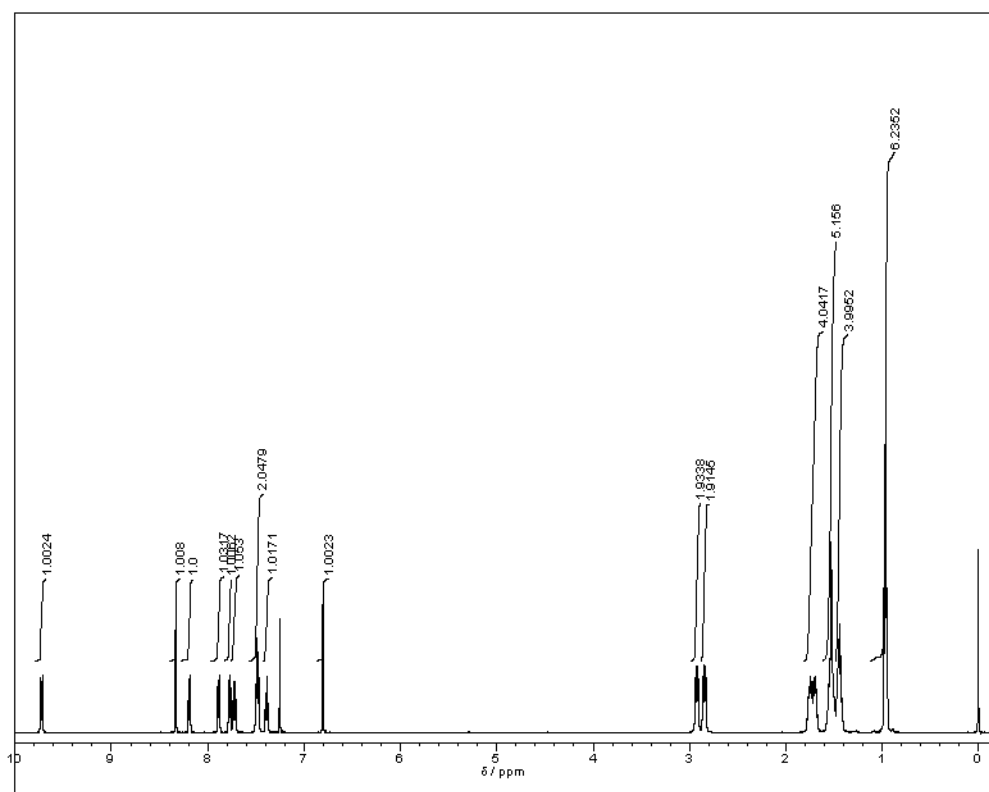


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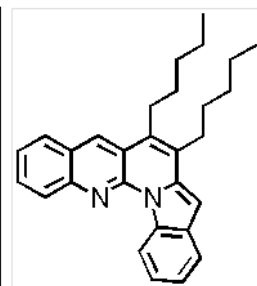
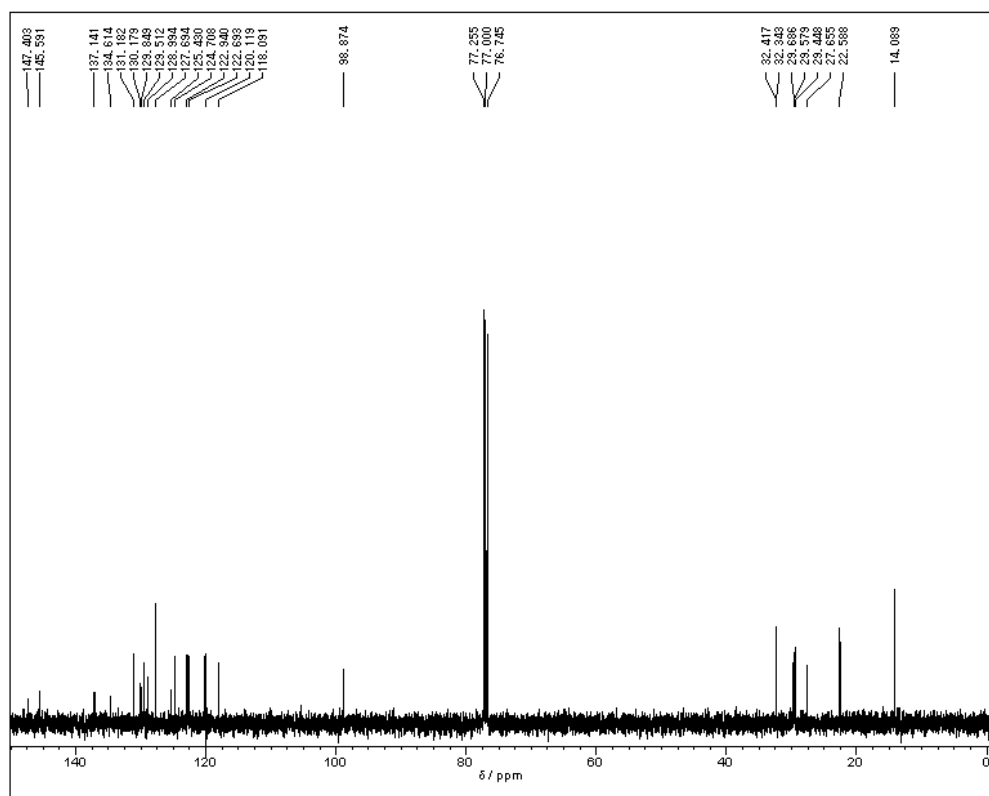


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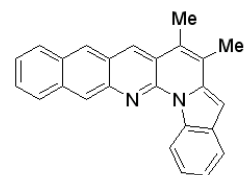
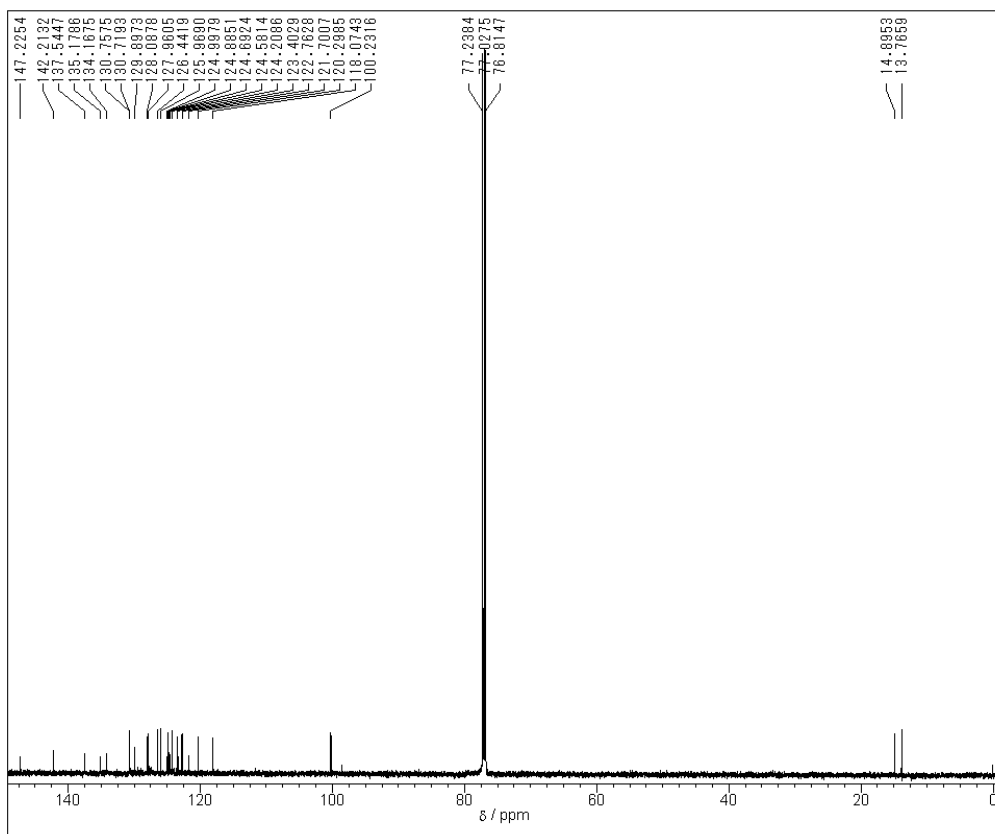
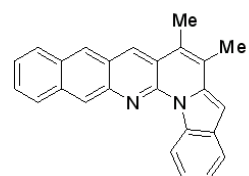
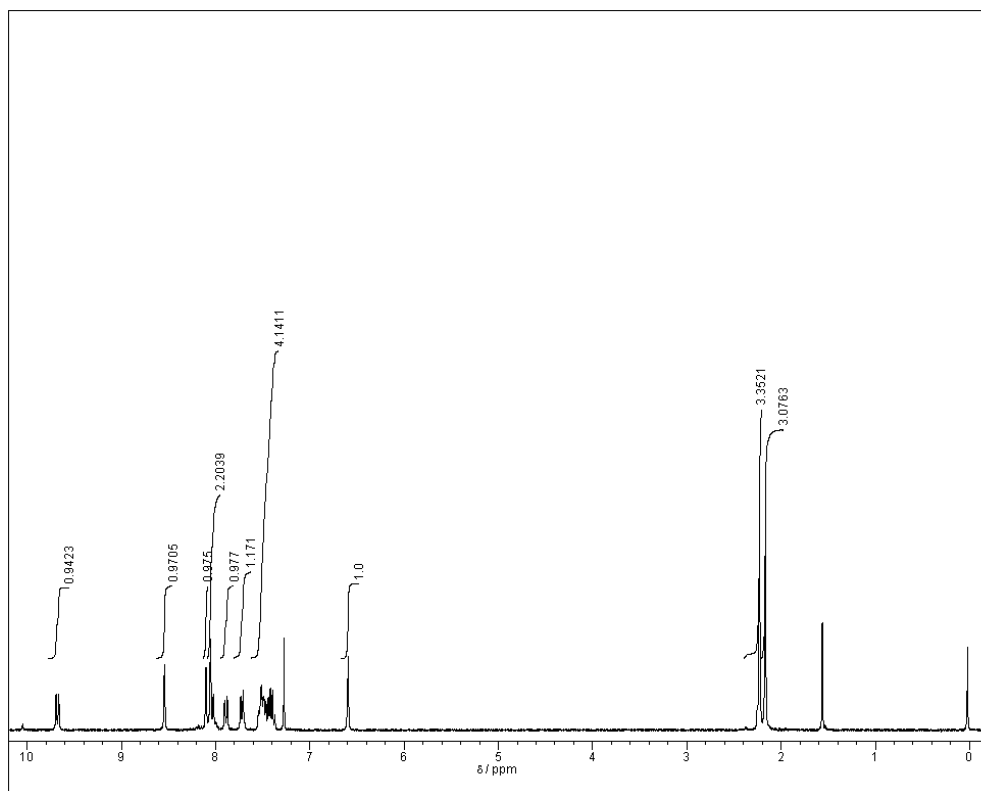


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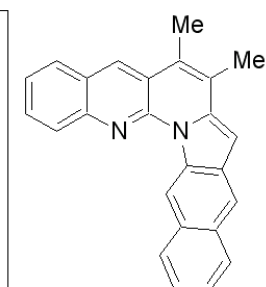
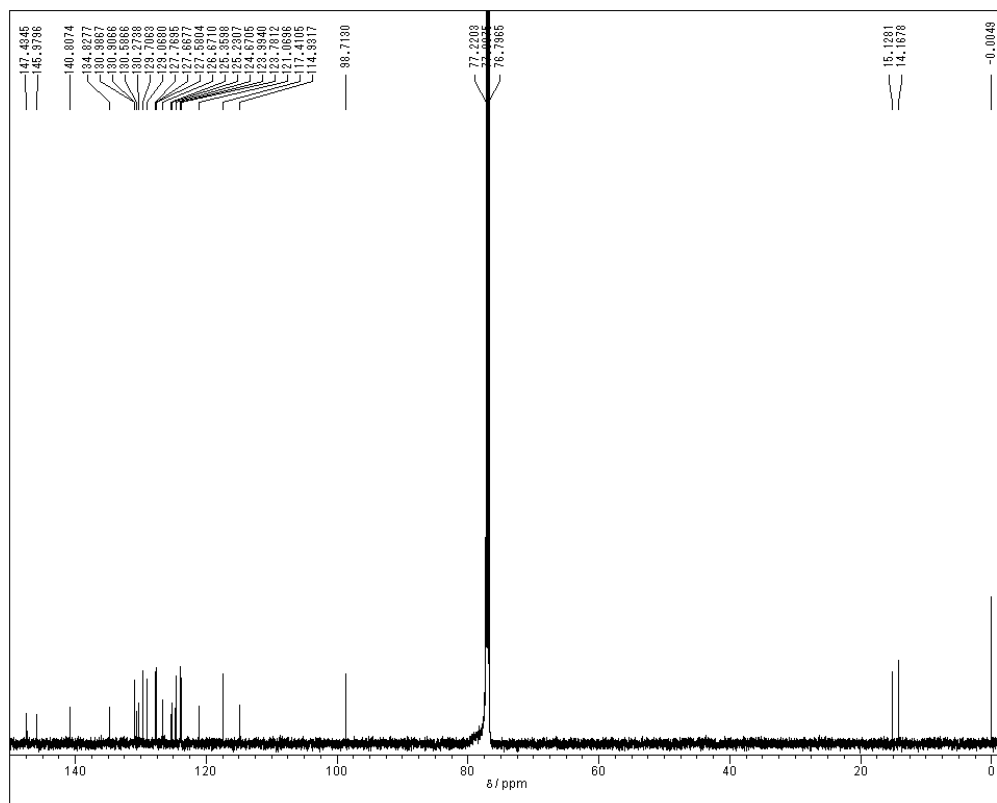
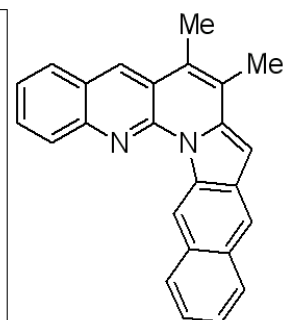
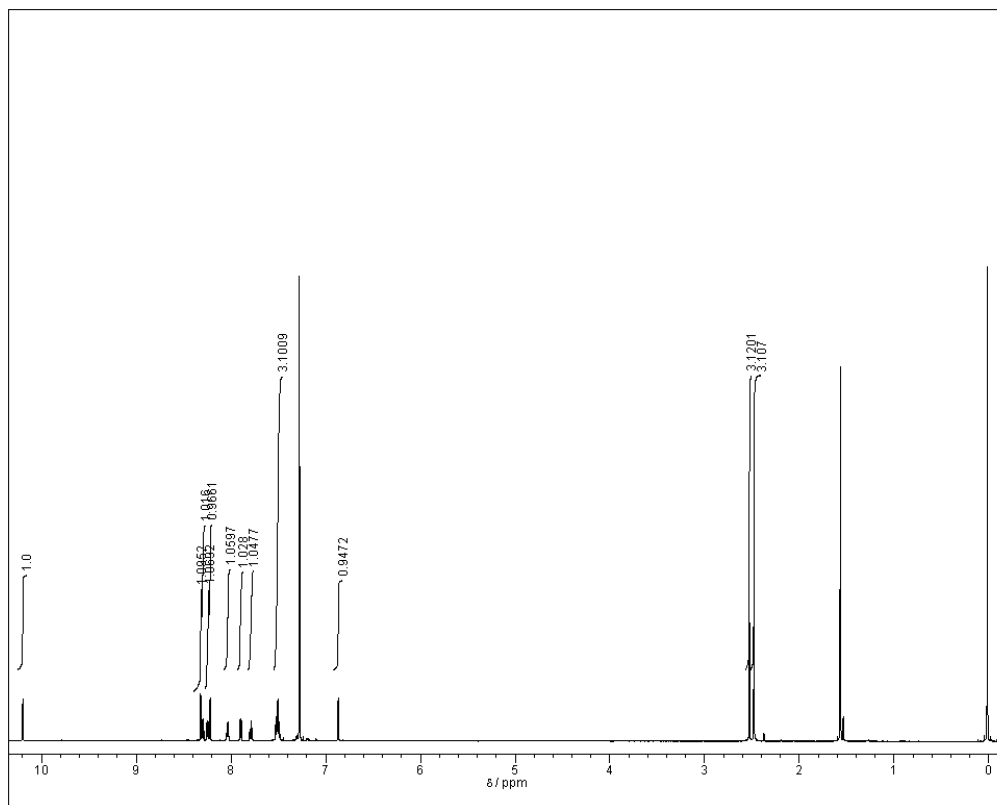


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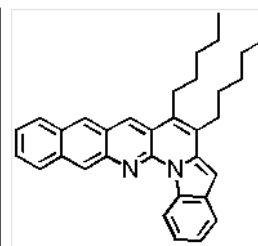
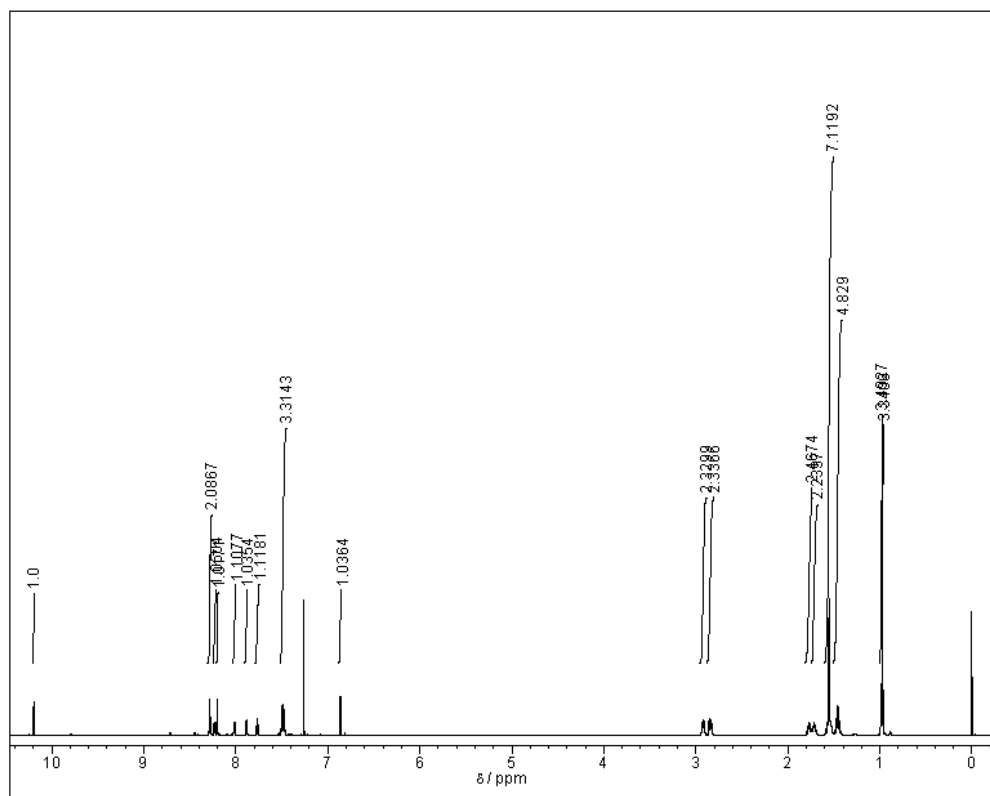


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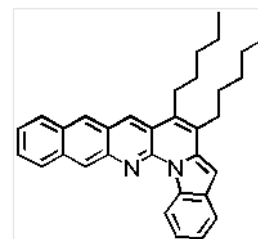
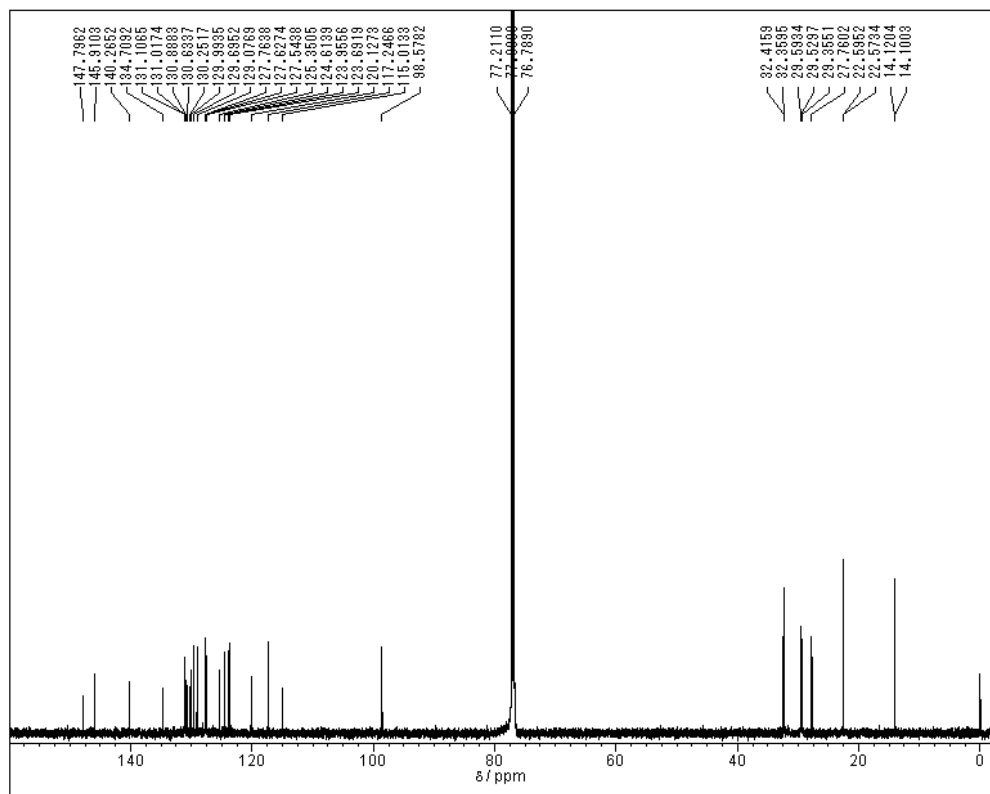




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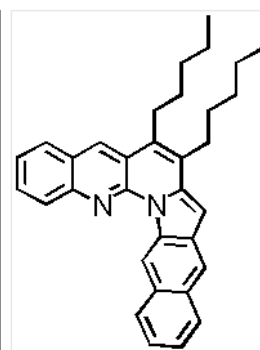
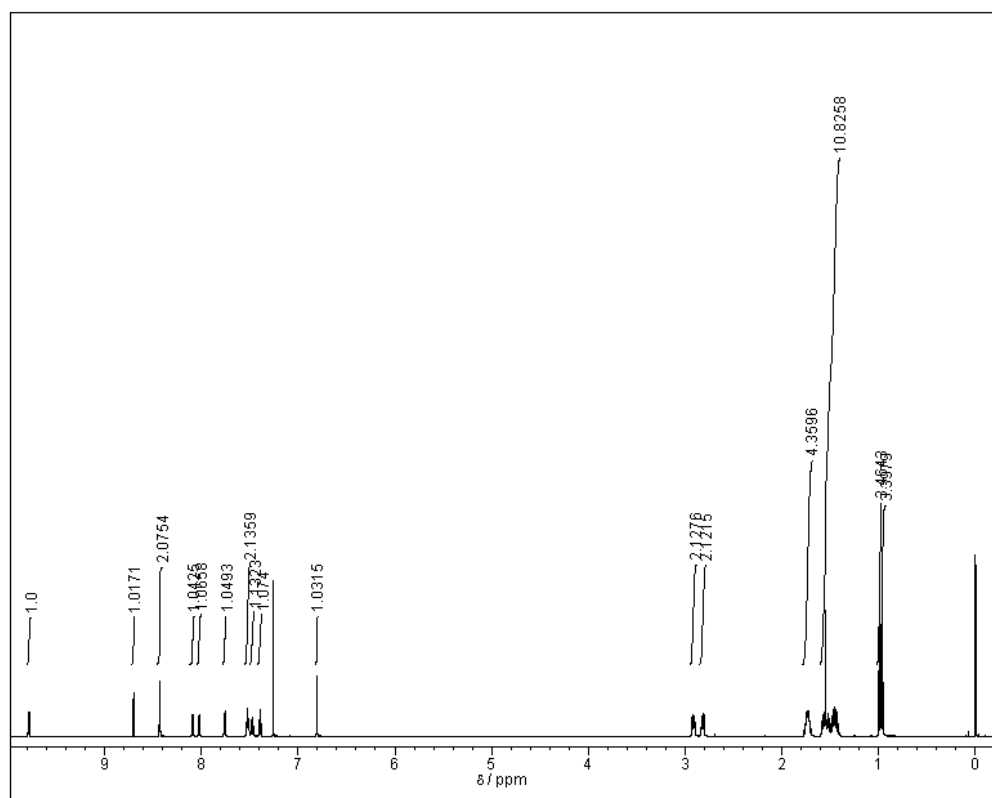


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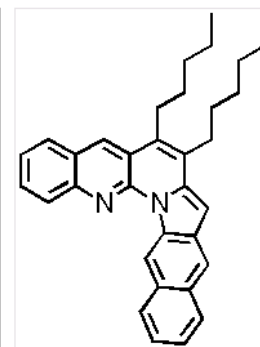
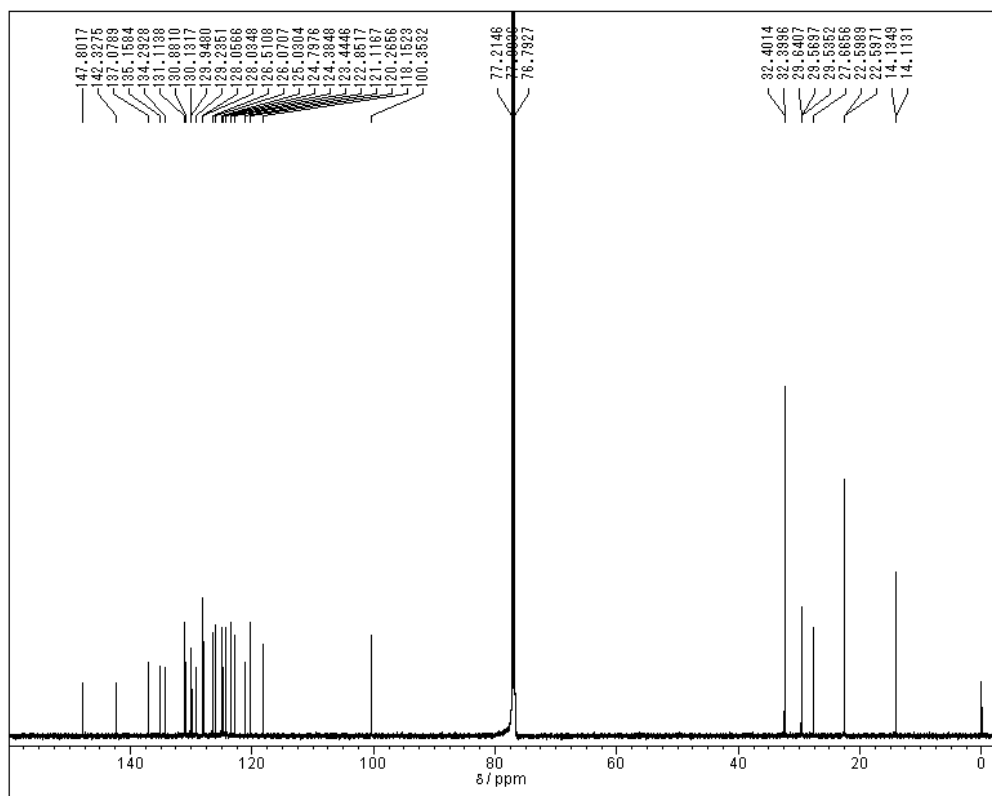


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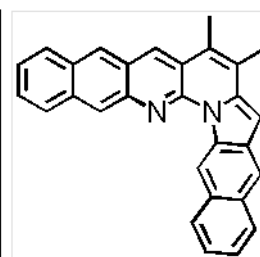
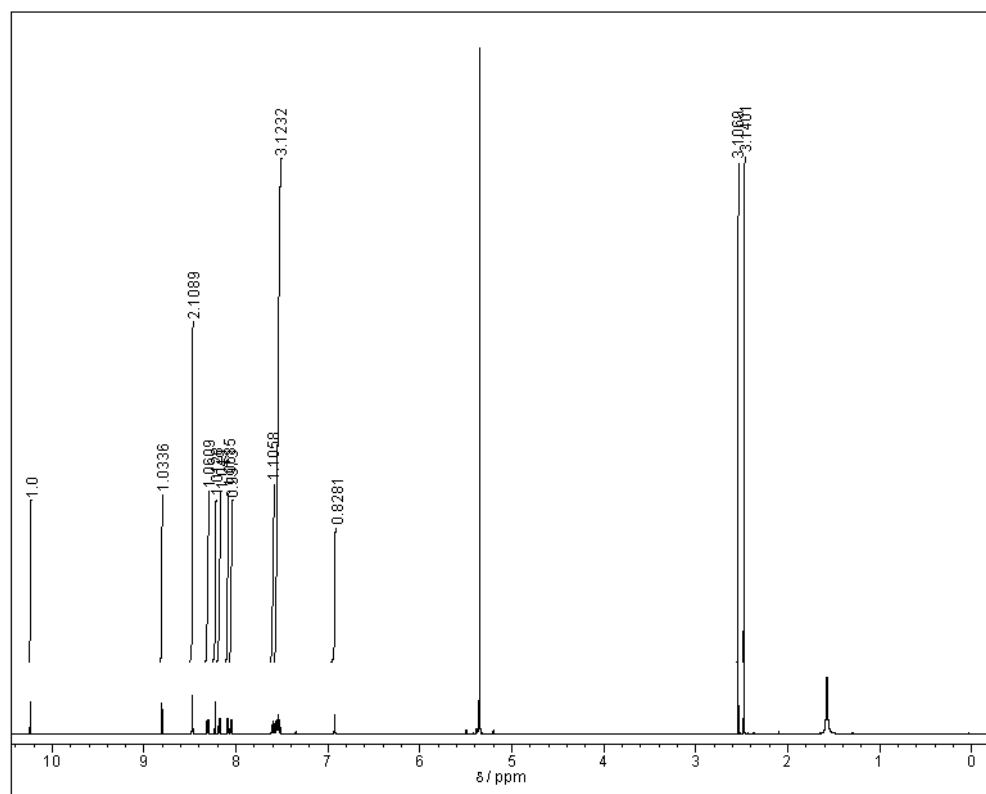


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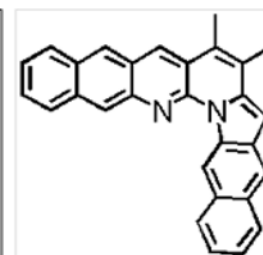
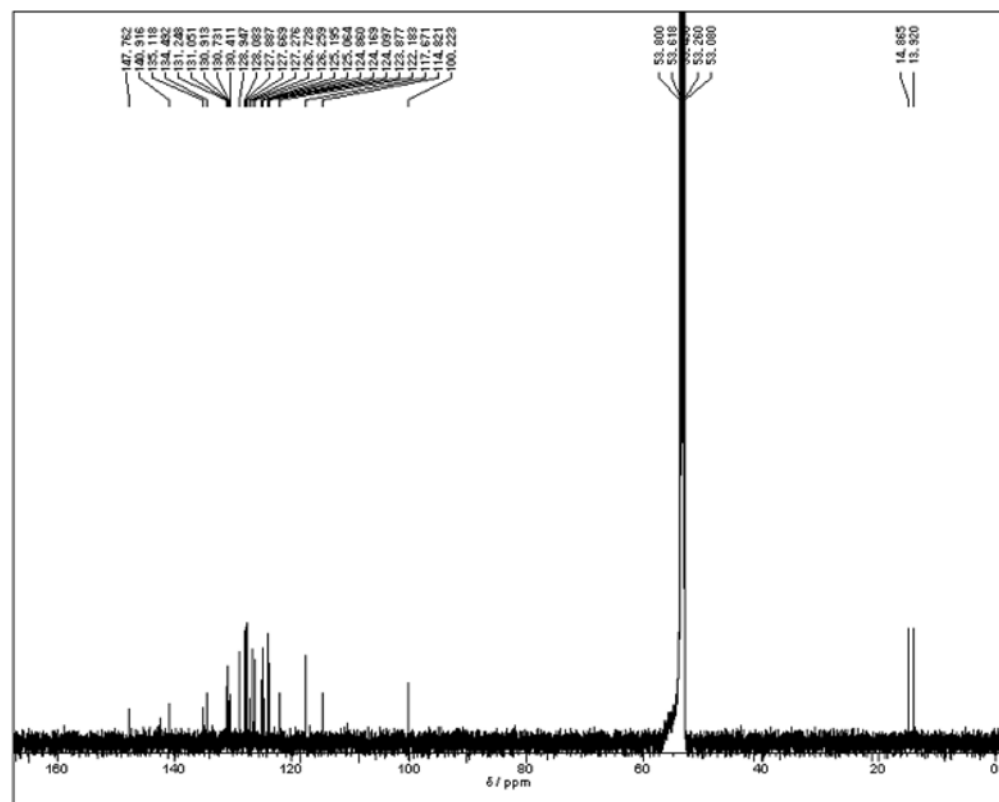


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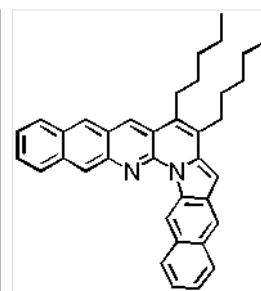
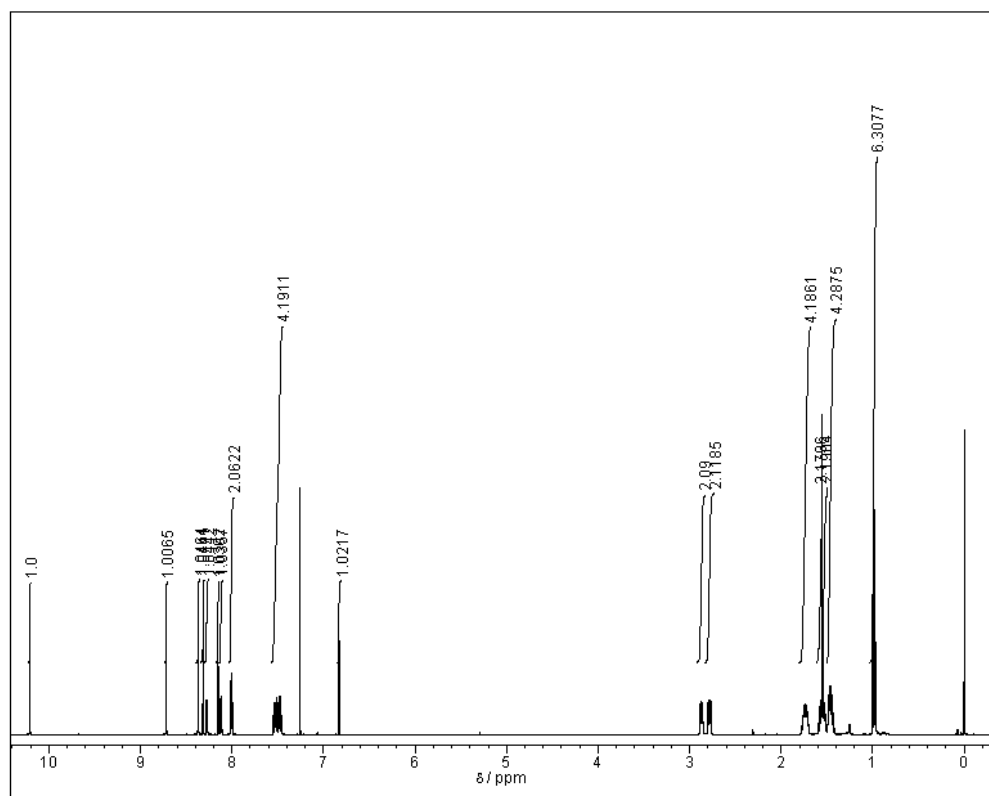


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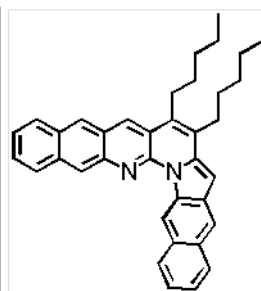
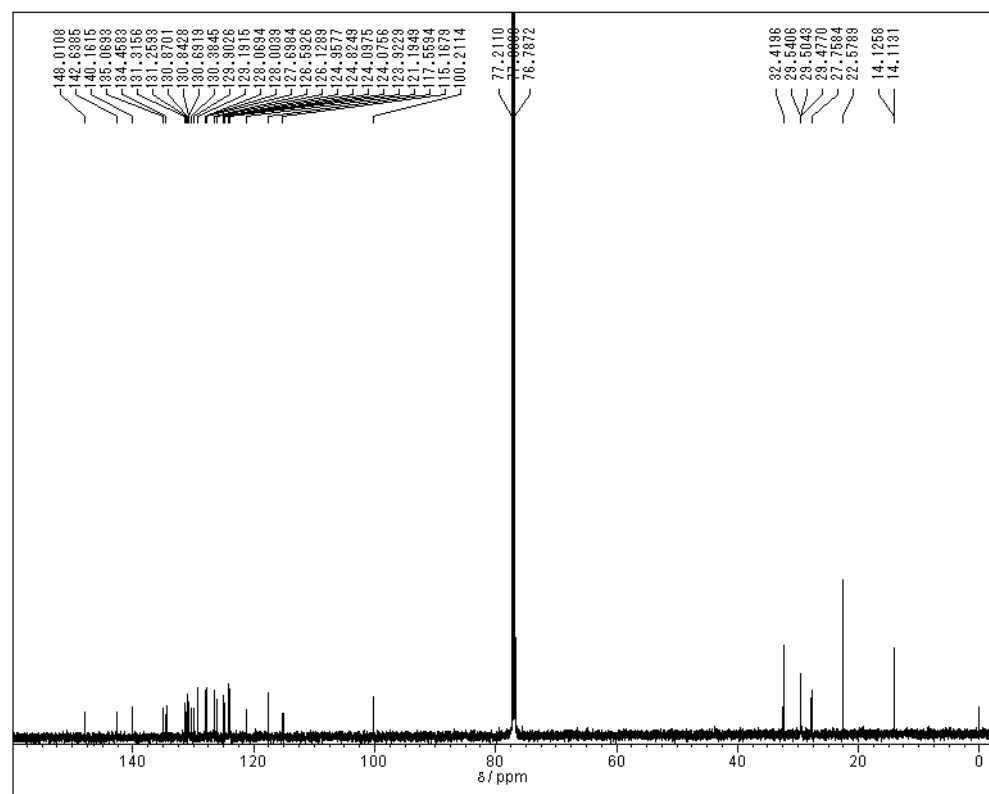


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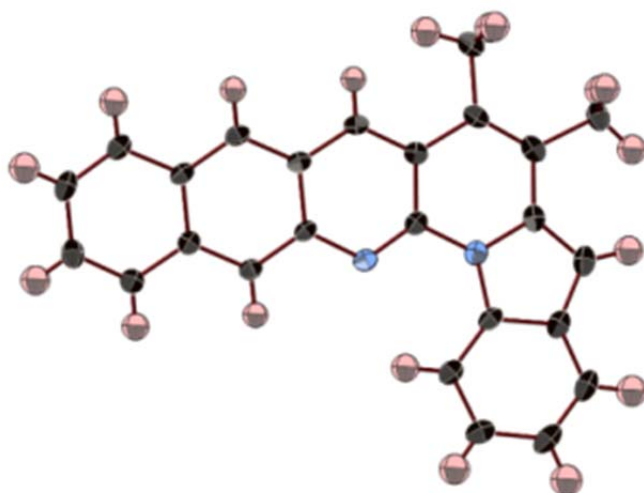


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### 3. X-ray Crystallographic Analysis

#### 3.1 Measurements

Crystallographic data of **5a** is summarized in Table S1. X-ray quality single crystals of **5a** were obtained from a hexane–dichloromethane solution as brownish red blocks. Single crystals of **5a** were coated with oil (Immersion Oil, type B: Code 1248, Cargille Laboratories, Inc.) and mounted on a MicroMount™ (MiTeGen, LLC). Diffraction data of **5a** were collected at 113 K under a cold nitrogen gas stream on a Rigaku AFC10 diffractometer equipped with a Saturn724+ CCD detector using graphite-monochromated MoK $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). The intensity data were collected by an  $\omega$ -scan method with 0.5° oscillation for each frame. Bragg spots were integrated using the CrystalClear program package,<sup>S3</sup> and the empirical absorption corrections (multi-scan) were applied using the REQAB program. The structures were solved by a direct method (SIR97),<sup>S4</sup> and refined by a full-matrix least squares (SHELXL-97).<sup>S5</sup> Anisotropic temperature factors were applied to all non-hydrogen atoms. The hydrogen atoms were put at calculated positions, and refined applying riding models.



**Figure S1.** Molecular structure of **5a**. One of the two crystallographically independent molecules is shown.

<sup>S3</sup> CrystalClear: Rigaku/MSK. Inc., 9009 New Trails Drive, The Woodlands TX 77381, USA (2005).

<sup>S4</sup> A. Altomare, M. C. Burla, M. Camalli, G. L. Cascarano, C. Giacovazzo, A. Guagliardi, A. G. G. Moliterni, G. Polidori and R. J. Spagna, *Appl. Cryst.*, 1999, **32**, 115–119.

<sup>S5</sup> G. M. Sheldrick, *Acta Crystallogr. Sect. A*, 2008, **64**, 112–122.

**Table S1.** Crystallographic Data for **5a**.

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formula	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>2</sub>
<i>M</i>	346.41
<i>T</i> / K	113
color	brownish red
size, mm	0.20 x 0.15 x 0.05
crystal system	triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> -1 (#2)
<i>a</i> / Å	8.4955(15)
<i>b</i> / Å	11.1198(19)
<i>c</i> / Å	19.241(3)
<i>α</i> / deg.	76.717(4)
<i>β</i> / deg.	87.166(5)
<i>γ</i> / deg.	83.238(5)
<i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>	1756.3(5)
<i>Z</i>	4
<i>D</i> <sub>x</sub> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.310
reflections collected	21415
unique reflections	7983
refined parameters	488
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.093
<i>R</i> 1 [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>a</sup>	0.0699
<i>wR</i> 2 (all data) <sup>b</sup>	0.1899
Δρ <sub>min, max</sub> / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	-0.56, 0.57

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<sup>a</sup> *R*1 = Σ ||*F*<sub>o</sub>| - |*F*<sub>c</sub>|| / Σ |*F*<sub>o</sub>|, <sup>b</sup> *wR*2 = [Σ {*w*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> - *F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup> / Σ *w*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>}]<sup>1/2</sup>

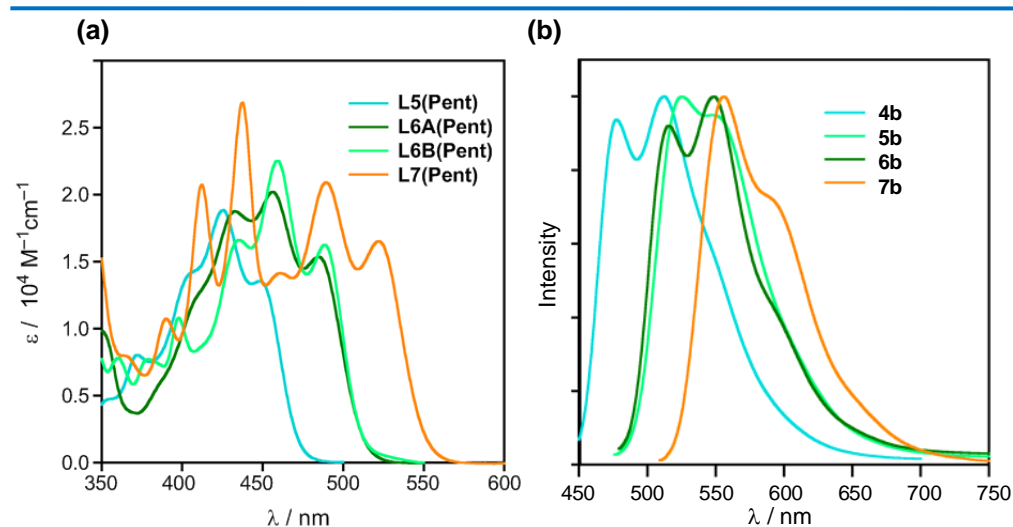
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## 4. Photophysical Data

### 4.1 Measurements

UV-visible spectra of the L-shaped compounds were obtained on Shimadzu UV-3101(PC)S spectrometer. Fluorescence spectra were measured by JASCO FP-6500 spectrofluorometer. Absolute fluorescence quantum yields were measured by a calibrated integrating sphere system C10027 (Hamamatsu Photonics K.K.). Fluorescence lifetimes were measured with a Quantaaurus-Tau<sup>®</sup> C1136703 (Hamamatsu Photonics K.K.).

### 4.2 Photophysical Properties of 4b–7b



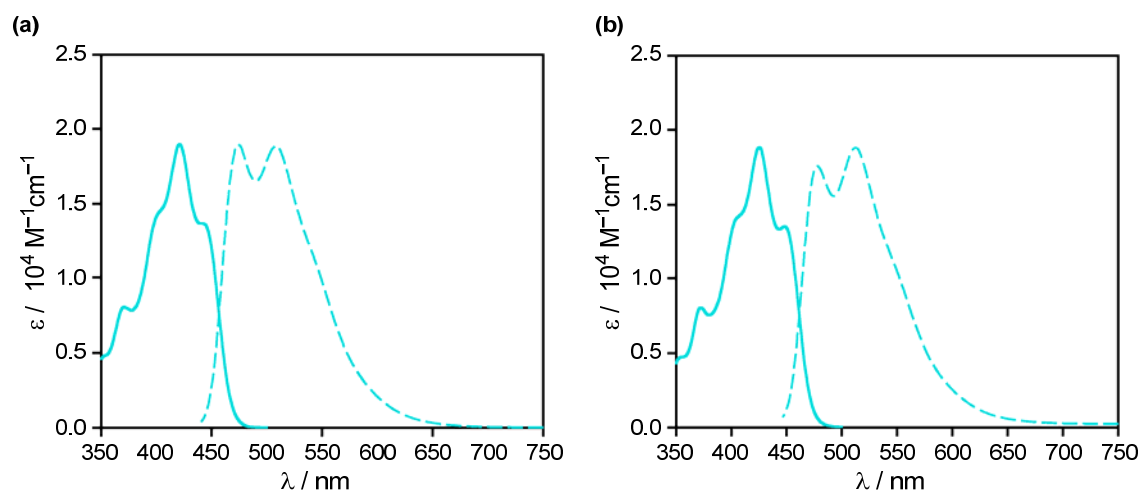
**Figure S2.** (a) UV-vis spectra of **4b–7b** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. (b) Fluorescence spectra (excited at  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (abs)) of **4b–7b** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

**Table S2. Photophysical Properties of 4b–7b<sup>a</sup>**

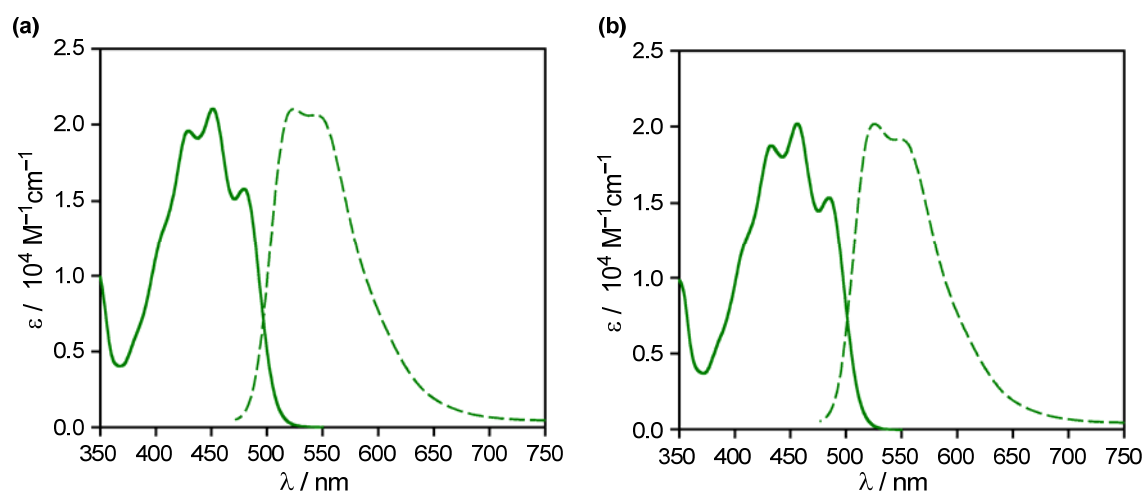
Compound	$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ (abs) [nm] ( $\epsilon$ [ $10^4 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ M}^{-1}$ ])	$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ (em) [nm] <sup>b</sup>	$\Phi_{\text{F}}$ <sup>b</sup>	$\tau_{\text{s}}$ [ns] <sup>b</sup>
<b>4b</b>	448 (1.35), 425 (1.88), 406 (1.42)	477, 512	0.82	5.78
<b>5b</b>	485 (1.54), 456 (2.02), 433 (1.87)	525, 547	0.74	6.26
<b>6b</b>	488 (1.62), 459 (2.25), 435 (1.66)	516, 549	0.77	6.29
<b>7b</b>	522 (1.65), 489 (2.09), 437 (2.68)	556, 585 (sh)	0.64	6.31

<sup>a</sup> In CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>b</sup> Excitation at  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ (abs).

### 4.3 Absorption and Emission Spectra of 4–7

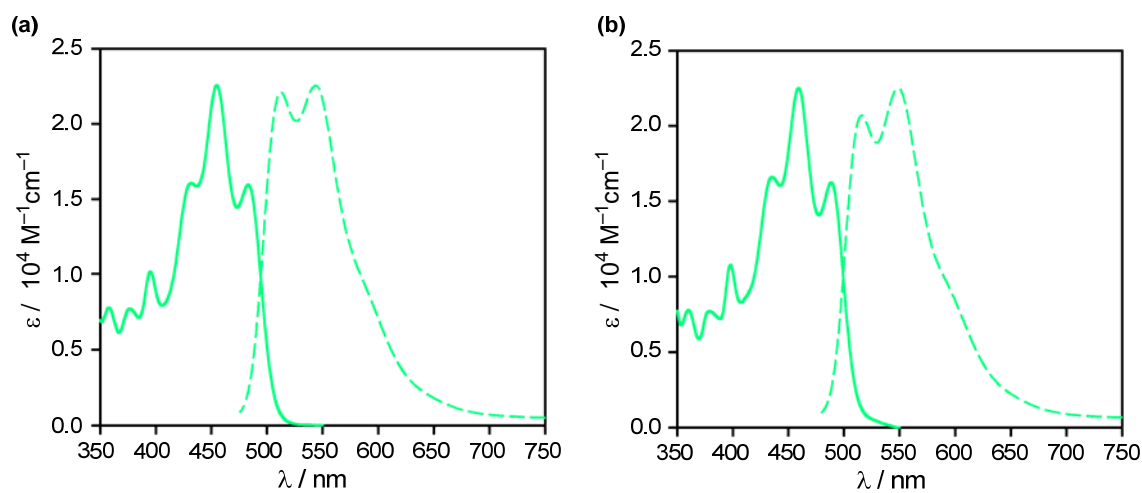


**Figure S3.** UV-vis spectra (solid line) and fluorescence spectra (dashed line) of **4a** (a) and **4b** (b) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .

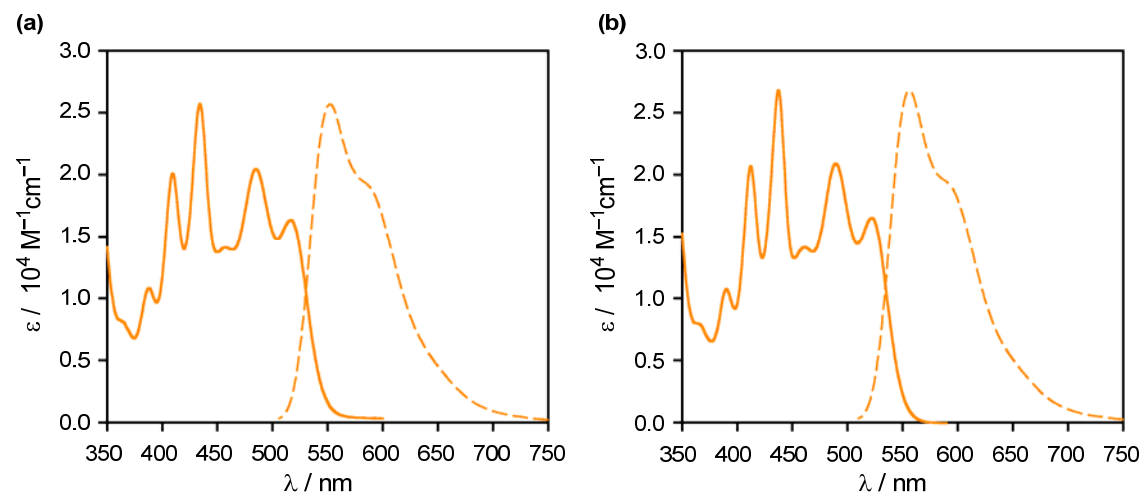


**Figure S4.** UV-vis spectra (solid line) and fluorescence spectra (dashed line) of **5a** (a) and **5b** (b) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



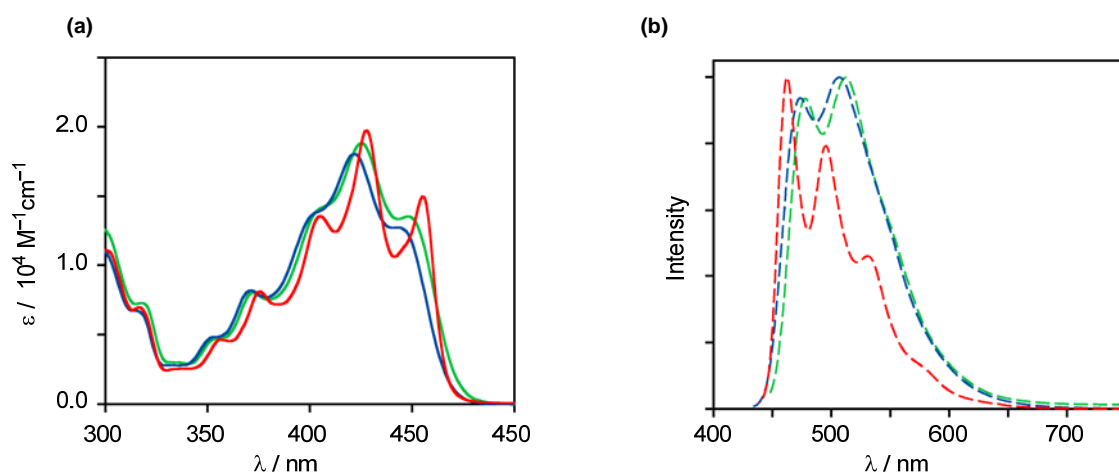


**Figure S5.** UV-vis spectra (solid line) and fluorescence spectra (dashed line) of **6a** (a) and **6b** (b) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .

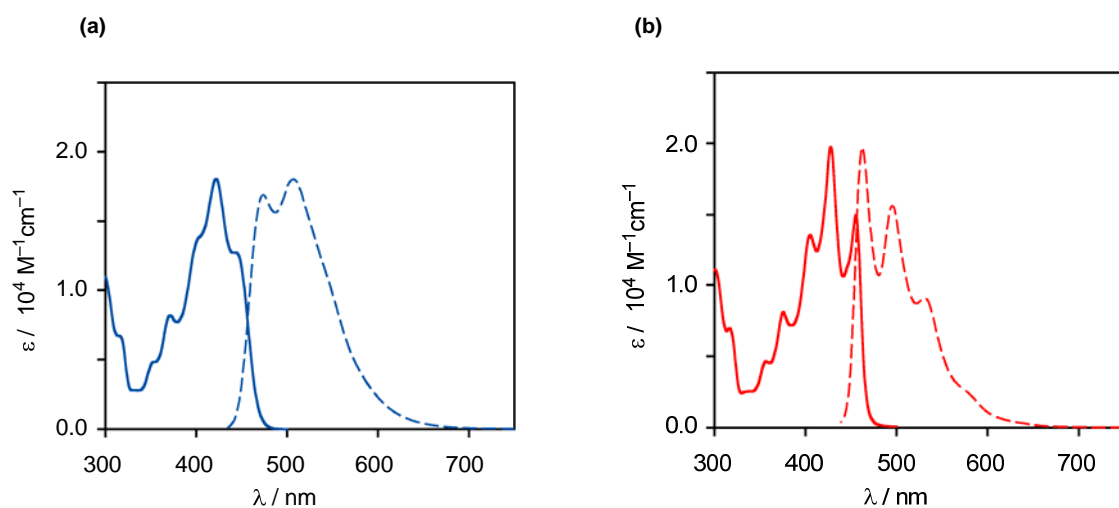


**Figure S6.** UV-vis spectra (solid line) and fluorescence spectra (dashed line) of **7a** (a) and **7b** (b) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .

#### 4.4 Solvent-dependent Photophysical Properties of 4b



**Figure S7.** UV-vis spectra (a) and fluorescence spectra (b) of **4b** in methanol (blue), in dichloromethane (green), and in hexane (red).



**Figure S8.** UV-vis spectra (solid line) and fluorescence spectra (dashed line) of **4b** in methanol (a) and in hexane (b). (For the spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , see **Figure S2(b)**)

## 5. Cyclic Voltammetry

### 5.1 Measurements

Electrochemical experiments of L-shaped compounds were carried out with an ALS/CHI 624C electrochemical analyzer using a glassy carbon working electrode, a Pt wire counter electrode, and a Ag/AgNO<sub>3</sub> reference electrode ([AgNO<sub>3</sub>] = 0.01 mM in 0.1 M TBAClO<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>CN). The measurements were carried out in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> or THF solution containing 0.1 M TBAPF<sub>6</sub> a supporting electrolyte with scan rate of 100 mVs<sup>-1</sup> in a glove box filled with argon at ambient temperature. The reported value is corrected to the ferrocene couple as an internal standard.

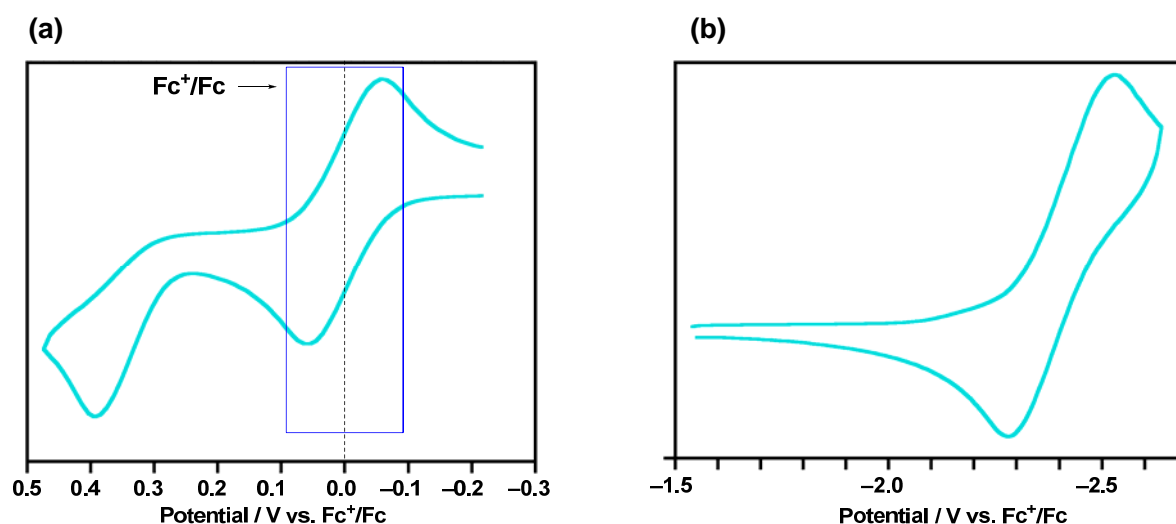
### 5.2 Electrochemical Properties of L-Shaped Compounds

**Table S3. Electrochemical properties of 4-7.**

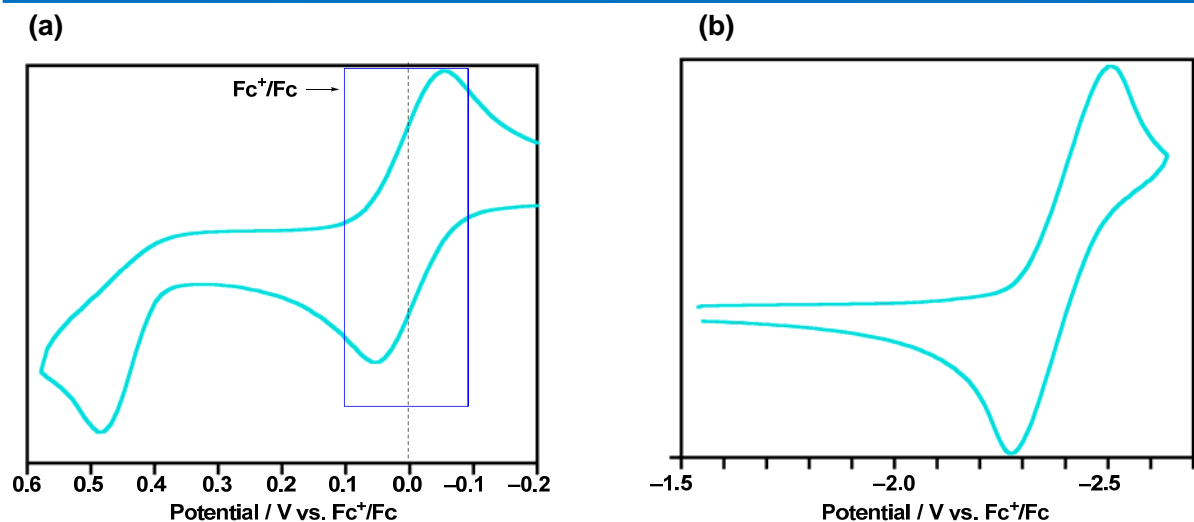
Compound	$E^{\text{ox}}$ [V vs. Fc <sup>+</sup> /Fc] <sup>a</sup>	$E_{1/2}^{\text{red}}$ [V vs. Fc <sup>+</sup> /Fc] <sup>b,c</sup>
<b>4a</b>	0.40	-2.40
<b>4b</b>	0.48	-2.36
<b>5a</b>	0.52	-2.10
<b>5b</b>	0.51	-2.11
<b>6a</b>	0.32	-2.30
<b>6b</b>	0.31	-2.27
<b>7a</b>	0.32	-2.04
<b>7b</b>	0.37	-2.13

<sup>a</sup> In CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. <sup>b</sup> In THF. <sup>c</sup> Irreversible.

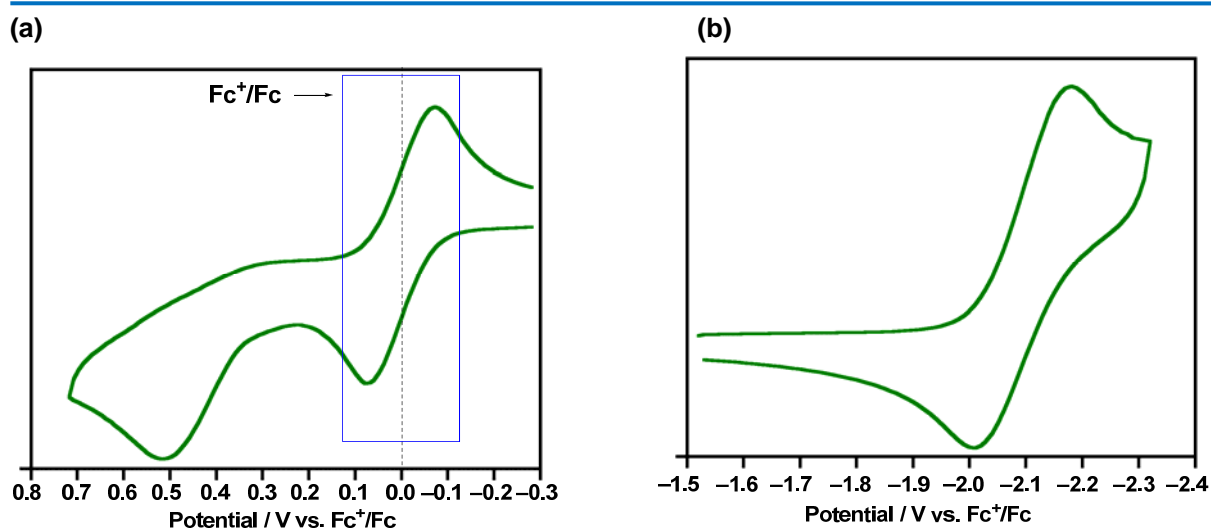
### 5.3 Cyclic Voltammograms



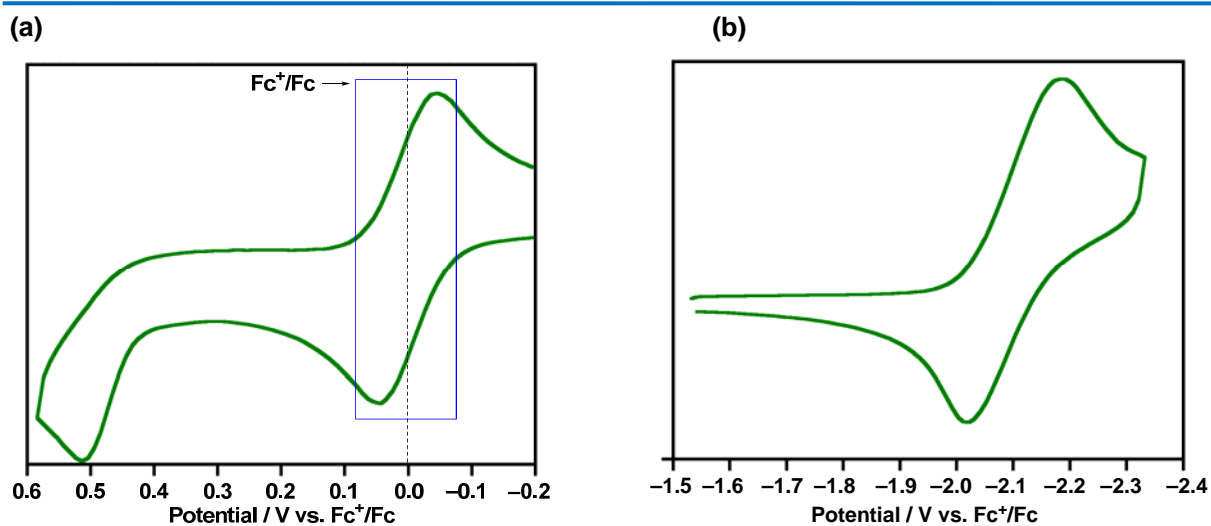
**Figure S9.** Cyclic voltammograms of **4a** in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-THF (b).



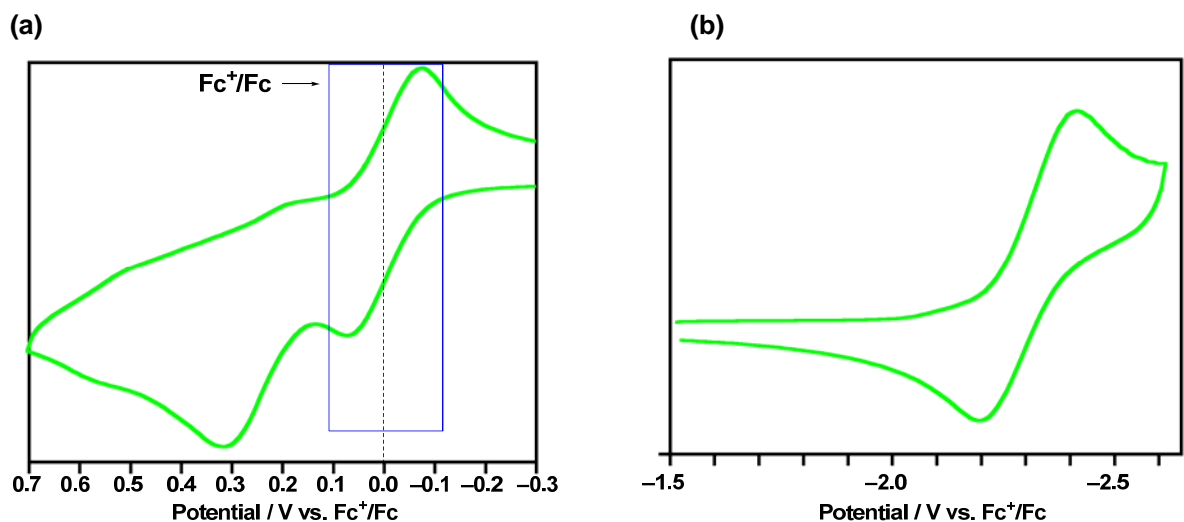
**Figure S10.** Cyclic voltammograms of **4b** in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -THF (b).



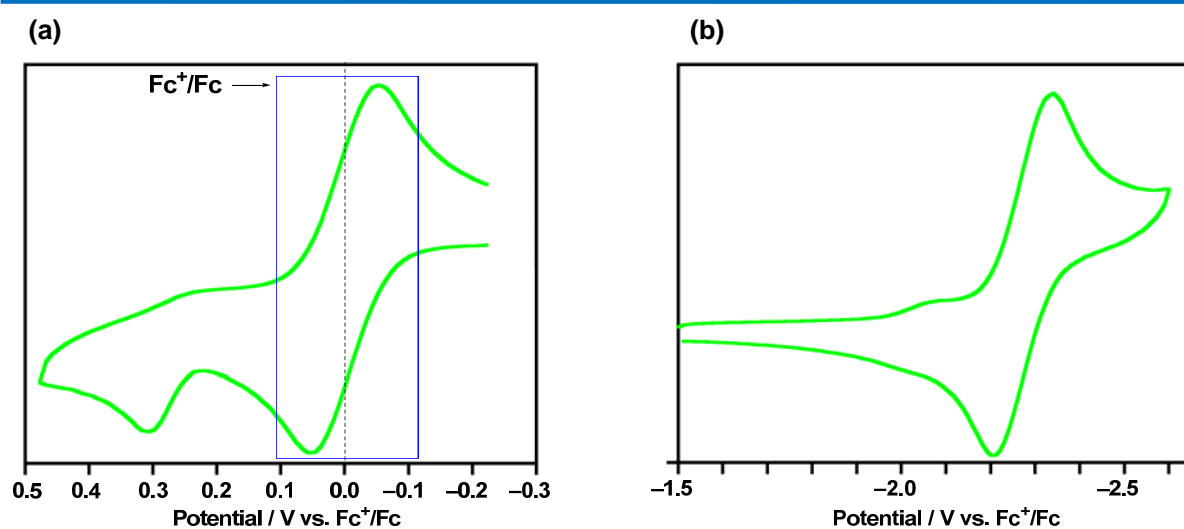
**Figure S11.** Cyclic voltammograms of **5a** in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -THF (b).



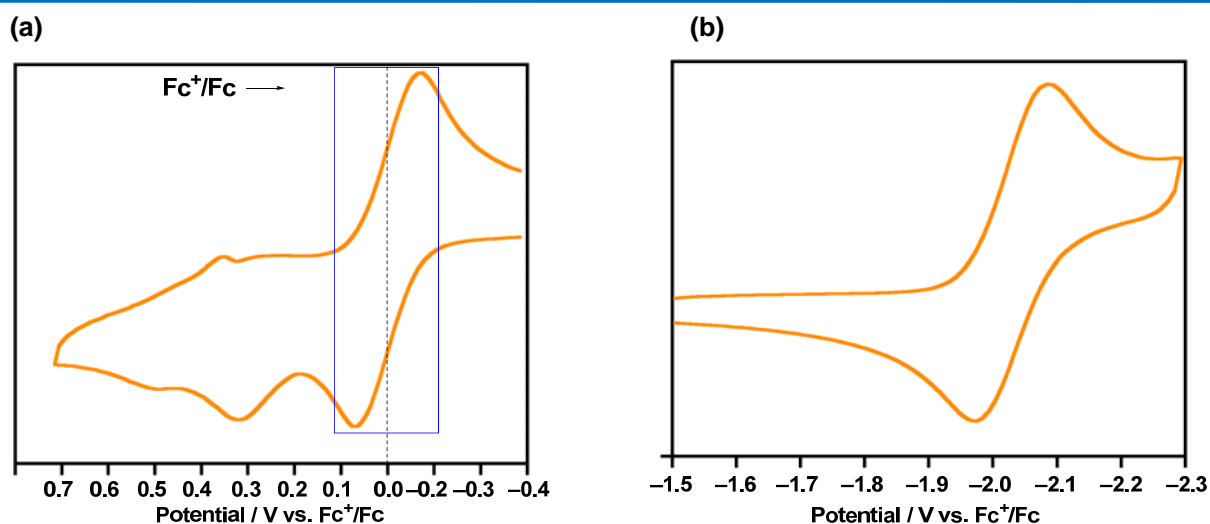
**Figure S12.** Cyclic voltammograms of **5b** in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -THF (b).



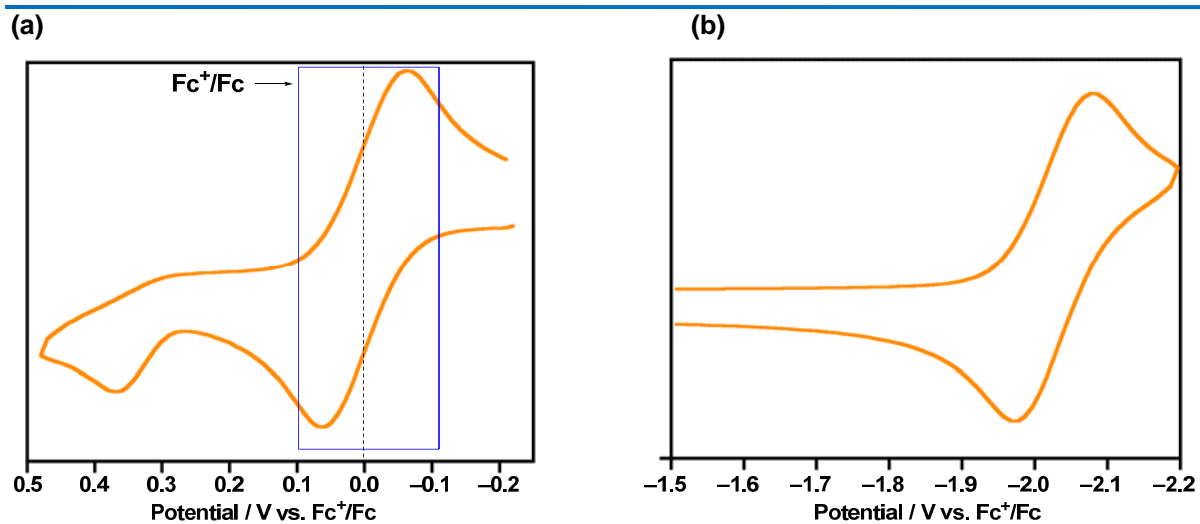
**Figure S13.** Cyclic voltammograms of **6a** in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-THF (b).



**Figure S14.** Cyclic voltammograms of **6b** in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-THF (b).



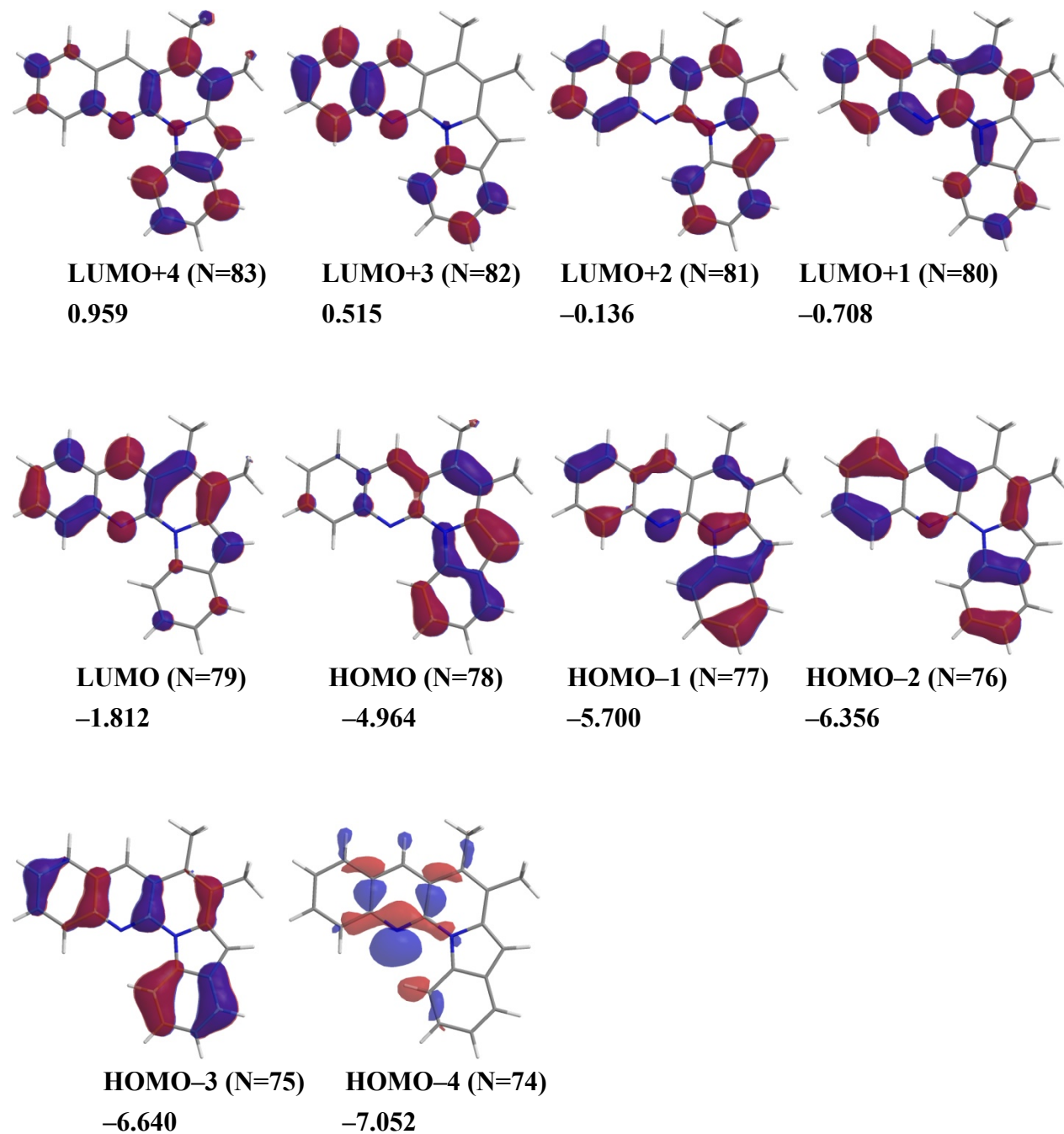
**Figure S15.** Cyclic voltammograms of **7a** in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NPF<sub>6</sub>-THF (b).



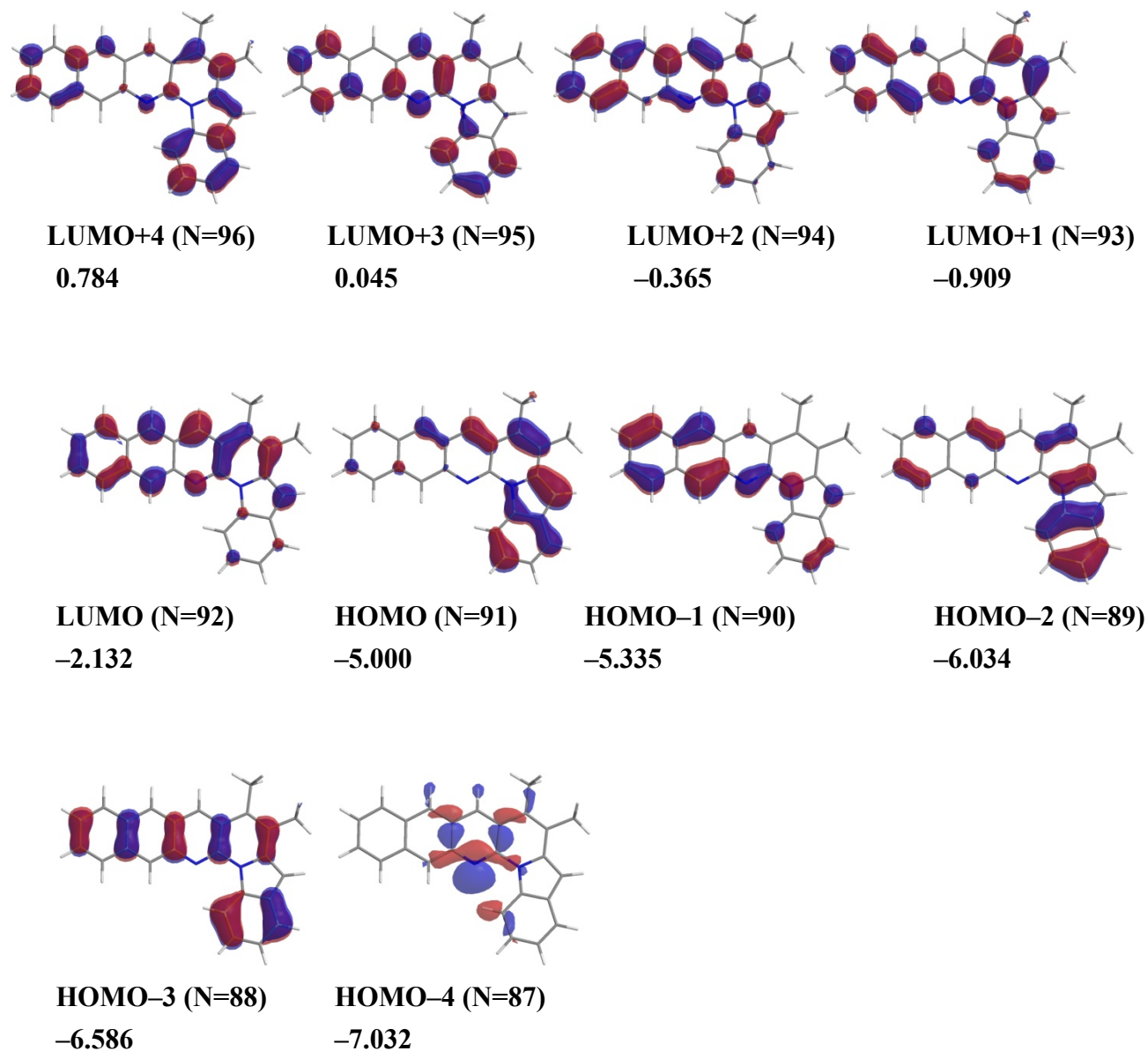
**Figure S16.** Cyclic voltammograms of **7b** in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -dichloromethane with ferrocene (a) and in 0.1 M  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ -THF (b).

## 6. Theoretical Calculations

### 6.1 Molecular Orbitals and Their Levels of L-Shaped Compounds

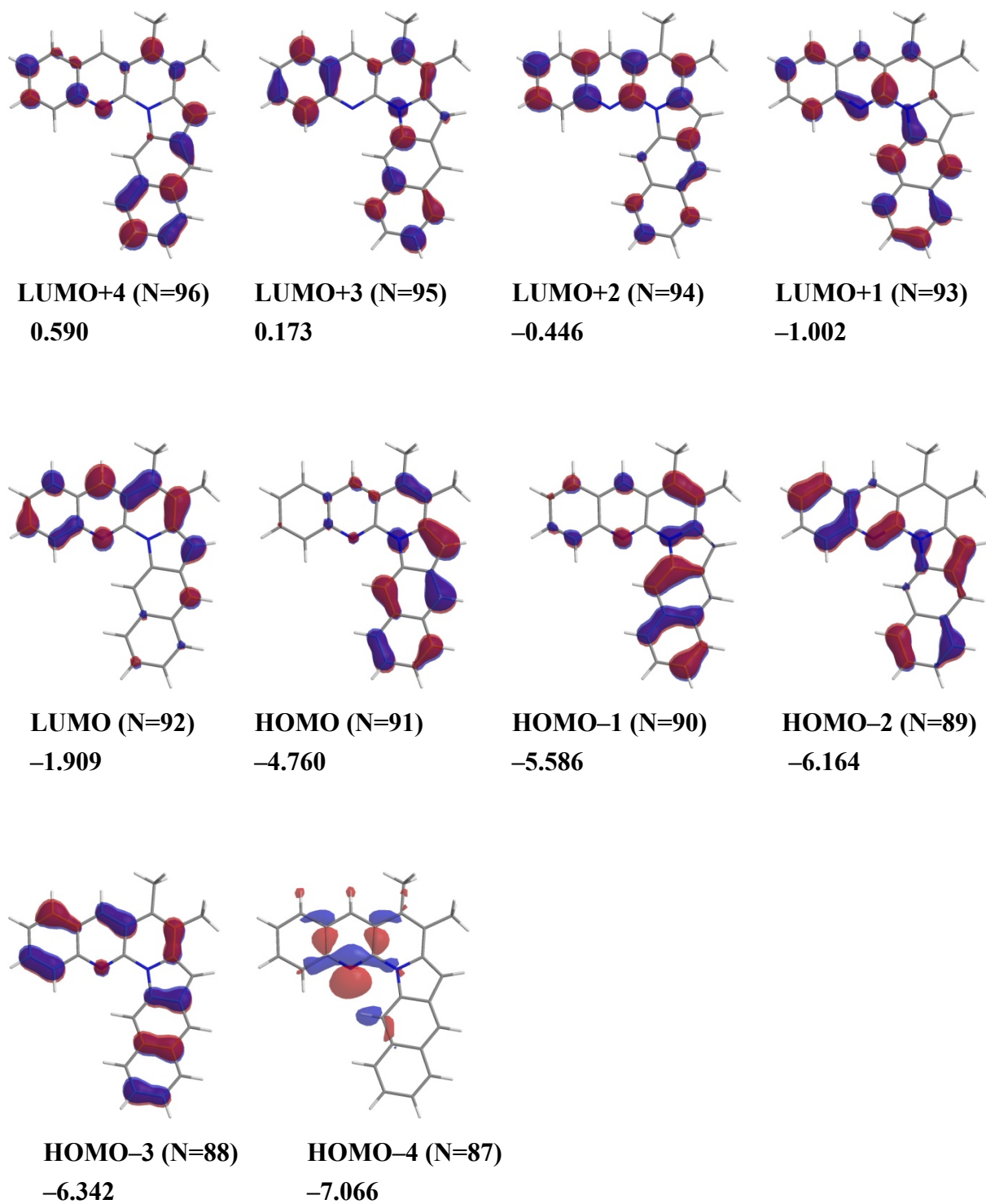


**Figure S17.** Selected molecular orbitals and their levels (eV) of 4a.

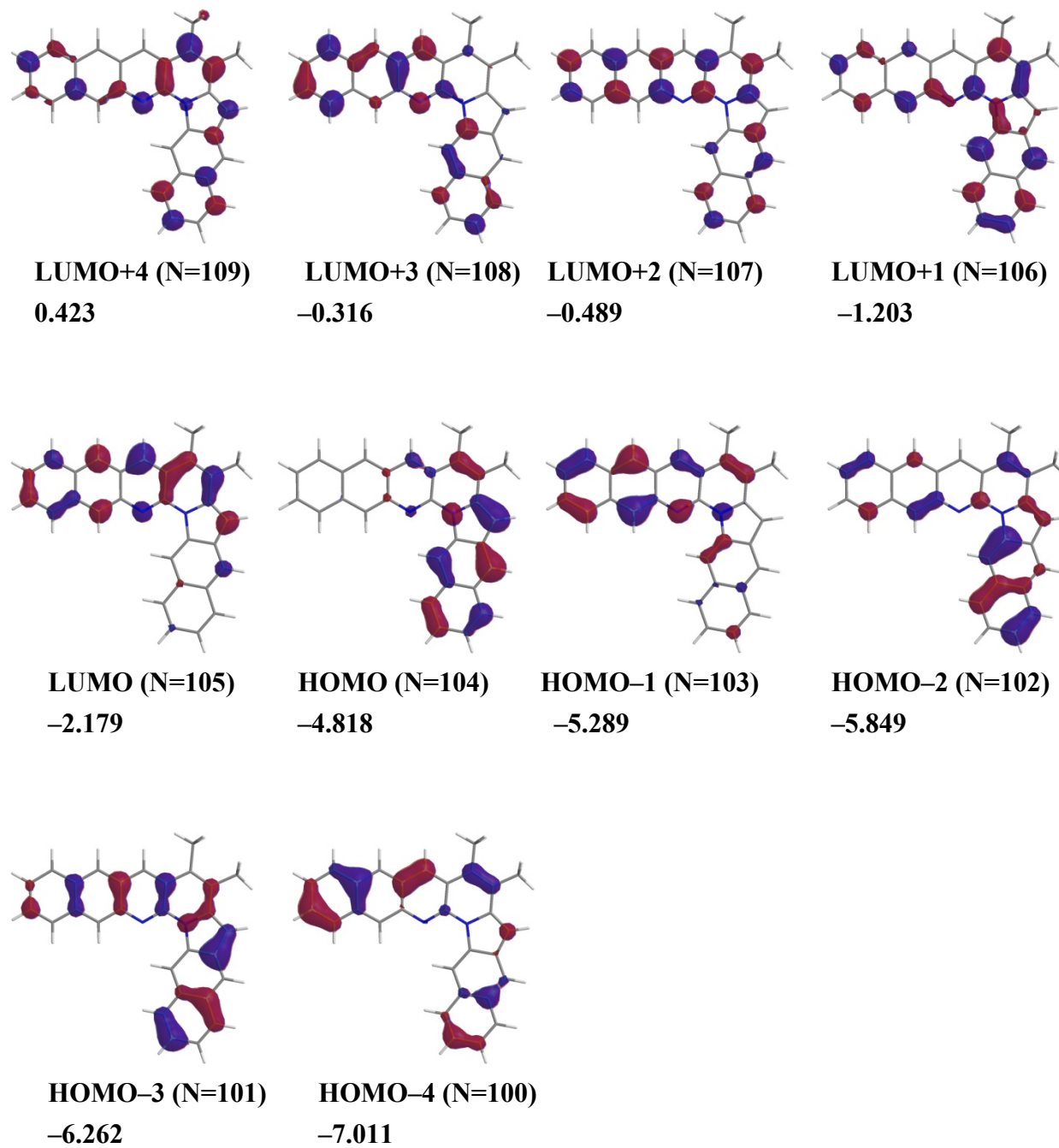


**Figure S18.** Selected molecular orbitals and their levels (eV) of **5a**.





**Figure S19.** Selected molecular orbitals and their levels (eV) of 6a.



**Figure S20.** Selected molecular orbitals and their levels (eV) of 7a.

## 6.2 TDDFT Calculation of L-Shaped Compounds

### Transition energy, wavelengths, and oscillator strengths of the electronic transitions of 4a (The 78th orbital is HOMO shown in Figure S16)

Excitation energies and oscillator strengths:

Excited State 1: Singlet-A'	2.8616 eV	433.27 nm	f=0.3051	75 -> 82	0.13006
77 -> 80	-0.13499			76 -> 81	0.39673
78 -> 79	0.63738			78 -> 84	-0.33219
Excited State 2: Singlet-A'	3.3257 eV	372.81 nm	f=0.0189	Excited State 19: Singlet-A'	5.8749 eV
77 -> 79	0.63829			70 -> 79	0.12259
78 -> 80	0.24744			71 -> 79	-0.11770
Excited State 3: Singlet-A'	3.6530 eV	339.41 nm	f=0.0082	72 -> 79	0.13146
77 -> 79	-0.21723			73 -> 80	0.13171
78 -> 80	0.63842			75 -> 80	0.12774
Excited State 4: Singlet-A'	4.0677 eV	304.80 nm	f=0.0512	75 -> 81	0.17273
76 -> 79	0.63989			76 -> 80	-0.12923
78 -> 81	0.11352			77 -> 81	0.10212
Excited State 5: Singlet-A'	4.1713 eV	297.23 nm	f=0.0039	77 -> 82	0.40950
75 -> 79	0.56802			77 -> 83	0.20813
77 -> 80	0.21023			77 -> 84	-0.20005
78 -> 81	0.33201			78 -> 84	-0.16861
Excited State 6: Singlet-A''	4.2556 eV	291.35 nm	f=0.0005	Excited State 20: Singlet-A'	5.9739 eV
74 -> 79	0.69195			73 -> 80	0.24605
Excited State 7: Singlet-A'	4.4572 eV	278.16 nm	f=0.1154	75 -> 80	-0.13900
75 -> 79	-0.24257			75 -> 81	0.28144
76 -> 79	-0.11611			76 -> 80	0.11865
76 -> 80	0.30423			76 -> 81	0.30023
77 -> 81	-0.18290			77 -> 83	0.34663
78 -> 81	0.50655			77 -> 84	0.16240
Excited State 8: Singlet-A'	4.6155 eV	268.62 nm	f=0.6709	Excited State 21: Singlet-A''	6.0143 eV
75 -> 79	-0.11702			74 -> 81	0.69080
77 -> 80	0.60913			Excited State 22: Singlet-A'	6.0882 eV
77 -> 81	-0.11513			72 -> 80	0.25628
78 -> 81	-0.13197			73 -> 80	-0.24300
Excited State 9: Singlet-A'	4.8534 eV	255.46 nm	f=0.0968	75 -> 81	-0.25238
73 -> 79	-0.15929			75 -> 84	-0.11831
75 -> 79	-0.18043			76 -> 81	-0.11045
77 -> 81	0.32150			77 -> 83	0.46197
78 -> 82	0.51066			78 -> 84	0.10107
78 -> 84	0.15533			78 -> 85	-0.12985
Excited State 10: Singlet-A'	4.9664 eV	249.65 nm	f=0.0398	Excited State 23: Singlet-A'	6.1810 eV
73 -> 79	0.45443			71 -> 79	0.23706
76 -> 80	0.15774			73 -> 80	0.33840
77 -> 81	-0.17332			75 -> 81	-0.28835
78 -> 82	0.38112			76 -> 82	0.18819
78 -> 83	-0.14639			77 -> 82	0.15476
78 -> 84	-0.17094			77 -> 84	0.32635
Excited State 11: Singlet-A'	5.0690 eV	244.59 nm	f=0.1033	Excited State 24: Singlet-A'	6.2946 eV
73 -> 79	0.25608			70 -> 79	-0.22413
75 -> 80	-0.16137			71 -> 79	0.12613
76 -> 80	0.33021			72 -> 80	0.15807
77 -> 81	0.45479			73 -> 80	0.15162
78 -> 82	-0.18693			75 -> 82	0.11570
78 -> 84	0.10816			76 -> 82	0.46926
Excited State 12: Singlet-A''	5.2146 eV	237.76 nm	f=0.0002	77 -> 84	-0.30354
74 -> 80	0.69107			Excited State 25: Singlet-A'	6.4032 eV
Excited State 13: Singlet-A'	5.2509 eV	236.12 nm	f=0.0656	71 -> 79	0.44489
72 -> 79	-0.20325			72 -> 80	0.23410
73 -> 79	-0.10674			73 -> 80	-0.13495
76 -> 80	0.24840			75 -> 81	0.12524
76 -> 81	-0.15061			75 -> 82	0.25290
77 -> 82	0.10001			76 -> 82	-0.18128
78 -> 83	0.45970			76 -> 83	0.10342
78 -> 84	-0.28411			76 -> 84	-0.10857
Excited State 14: Singlet-A'	5.3264 eV	232.77 nm	f=0.0955	78 -> 85	-0.11152
72 -> 79	0.52608			Excited State 26: Singlet-A'	6.4110 eV
73 -> 79	-0.21006			70 -> 79	0.40130
75 -> 80	0.19543			71 -> 79	0.27848
76 -> 80	0.26005			72 -> 80	-0.31801
Excited State 15: Singlet-A'	5.4293 eV	228.36 nm	f=0.0958	73 -> 80	-0.12694
72 -> 79	-0.33540			76 -> 82	0.14177
73 -> 79	-0.14911			76 -> 83	-0.10816
75 -> 80	0.37894			77 -> 84	-0.20575
75 -> 81	-0.11970			78 -> 85	-0.15070
76 -> 80	0.17688			Excited State 27: Singlet-A''	6.4650 eV
78 -> 83	-0.29682			69 -> 79	0.68184
78 -> 84	0.12518			Excited State 28: Singlet-A'	6.4843 eV
Excited State 16: Singlet-A'	5.4679 eV	226.75 nm	f=0.0025	70 -> 79	0.30437
73 -> 79	0.10447			71 -> 79	-0.12067
73 -> 80	-0.11818			72 -> 80	0.27748
75 -> 80	0.31319			73 -> 80	0.21545
76 -> 81	0.37051			75 -> 82	0.30117
78 -> 83	0.32267			76 -> 83	-0.24892
78 -> 84	0.29257			78 -> 85	-0.16183
Excited State 17: Singlet-A'	5.5496 eV	223.41 nm	f=0.2347	Excited State 29: Singlet-A''	6.5192 eV
73 -> 79	-0.13979			74 -> 82	0.65769
73 -> 80	-0.13481			74 -> 83	0.13169
75 -> 80	-0.31116			74 -> 84	-0.10749
75 -> 81	-0.10390			Excited State 30: Singlet-A''	6.5297 eV
76 -> 80	0.10714			78 -> 86	0.6971
77 -> 81	-0.19322				
77 -> 82	0.45421				
78 -> 84	0.18575				
Excited State 18: Singlet-A'	5.8066 eV	213.52 nm	f=0.0800		
73 -> 79	-0.13221				
73 -> 80	-0.14537				
75 -> 81	-0.29848				

## Transition energy, wavelengths, and oscillator strengths of the electronic transitions of 5a (The 91st orbital is HOMO shown in Figure S17).

Excitation energies and oscillator strengths:			
Excited State 1:	Singlet-A'	2.6101 eV	475.02 nm f=0.3594
91 -> 92		0.69248	
Excited State 2:	Singlet-A'	2.7833 eV	445.45 nm f=0.0186
90 -> 92		0.69382	
Excited State 3:	Singlet-A'	3.3799 eV	366.83 nm f=0.0514
89 -> 92		0.67845	
91 -> 93		-0.10638	
Excited State 4:	Singlet-A'	3.5726 eV	347.04 nm f=0.1051
89 -> 92		0.11973	
91 -> 93		0.66794	
91 -> 94		-0.12704	
Excited State 5:	Singlet-A'	3.8005 eV	326.23 nm f=0.0096
88 -> 92		0.54748	
90 -> 93		-0.37136	
90 -> 94		0.15634	
91 -> 94		0.10772	
Excited State 6:	Singlet-A''	3.9725 eV	312.11 nm f=0.0004
87 -> 92		0.70130	
Excited State 7:	Singlet-A'	4.0650 eV	305.01 nm f=0.2551
88 -> 92		0.22266	
90 -> 93		0.50566	
90 -> 94		0.13626	
91 -> 93		0.10996	
91 -> 94		0.38715	
Excited State 8:	Singlet-A'	4.1934 eV	295.66 nm f=0.0393
89 -> 93		-0.27140	
90 -> 93		-0.23036	
90 -> 94		-0.32391	
91 -> 94		0.44718	
91 -> 95		0.17346	
Excited State 9:	Singlet-A'	4.4021 eV	281.65 nm f=0.3270
86 -> 92		0.49777	
88 -> 92		0.21290	
90 -> 94		-0.31238	
91 -> 95		-0.19959	
91 -> 96		0.11355	
Excited State 10:	Singlet-A'	4.5419 eV	272.98 nm f=0.1782
85 -> 92		0.21378	
88 -> 92		0.18023	
89 -> 93		0.25136	
90 -> 94		-0.17843	
91 -> 94		-0.10349	
91 -> 95		0.53712	
Excited State 11:	Singlet-A'	4.5986 eV	269.61 nm f=0.2715
85 -> 92		-0.32930	
86 -> 92		0.38020	
90 -> 94		0.31726	
91 -> 95		0.30995	
Excited State 12:	Singlet-A'	4.6945 eV	264.10 nm f=0.3210
85 -> 92		0.47772	
86 -> 92		0.14417	
89 -> 93		-0.23655	
90 -> 94		0.28223	
90 -> 95		0.27911	
Excited State 13:	Singlet-A'	4.7827 eV	259.24 nm f=0.1662
86 -> 92		0.19163	
88 -> 92		-0.10584	
89 -> 93		0.46689	
90 -> 95		0.38436	
91 -> 94		0.18632	
91 -> 97		0.10541	
Excited State 14:	Singlet-A'	4.9316 eV	251.41 nm f=0.3597
85 -> 92		-0.21632	
88 -> 92		0.13404	
89 -> 93		-0.13686	
89 -> 94		-0.31746	
90 -> 95		0.43180	
90 -> 96		-0.11261	
91 -> 94		-0.15549	
91 -> 97		-0.17247	
Excited State 15:	Singlet-A''	5.1464 eV	240.91 nm f=0.0000
87 -> 93		0.68402	
87 -> 94		-0.15206	
Excited State 16:	Singlet-A'	5.1509 eV	240.70 nm f=0.0956
84 -> 92		-0.20229	
85 -> 92		0.13303	
88 -> 93		0.48756	
88 -> 94		0.13456	
89 -> 94		-0.25115	
89 -> 95		0.12453	
91 -> 97		-0.18111	
91 -> 98		0.10950	
Excited State 17:	Singlet-A'	5.2046 eV	238.22 nm f=0.0382
84 -> 92		0.60441	
88 -> 93		0.15819	
89 -> 94		-0.13113	
90 -> 97		-0.14597	
90 -> 98		-0.13198	
91 -> 98		-0.11991	
Excited State 18:	Singlet-A'	5.2414 eV	236.55 nm f=0.0799
86 -> 93		-0.17896	
88 -> 93		-0.13143	
89 -> 94		-0.15343	
89 -> 95		0.22324	
90 -> 95		-0.14040	
91 -> 96		0.53575	
91 -> 97		0.14525	
Excited State 19:	Singlet-A'	5.2919 eV	234.29 nm f=0.0342
86 -> 93		0.12857	
88 -> 93		0.17843	
88 -> 94		-0.12705	
89 -> 94		-0.30352	
89 -> 95		-0.27148	
90 -> 96		0.14715	
91 -> 97		0.44417	
Excited State 20:	Singlet-A'	5.4081 eV	229.25 nm f=0.2081
85 -> 92		-0.10823	
86 -> 93		-0.10677	
88 -> 93		0.31094	
89 -> 94		0.34691	
90 -> 95		0.12637	
90 -> 96		-0.34477	
91 -> 96		0.10915	
91 -> 97		0.17808	
91 -> 98		-0.12077	
Excited State 21:	Singlet-A'	5.5041 eV	225.26 nm f=0.0152
83 -> 92		0.19250	
84 -> 92		0.11817	
86 -> 93		-0.19426	
88 -> 93		-0.14783	
88 -> 94		0.29001	
88 -> 95		0.10117	
90 -> 96		-0.14439	
91 -> 96		-0.28018	
91 -> 97		0.33252	
91 -> 98		0.16349	
Excited State 22:	Singlet-A'	5.6040 eV	221.24 nm f=0.0276
83 -> 92		-0.12714	
85 -> 93		-0.10768	
86 -> 93		0.36845	
88 -> 94		-0.12508	
89 -> 95		0.25483	
90 -> 96		-0.12361	
90 -> 97		-0.21386	
91 -> 97		0.12513	
91 -> 98		0.37914	
Excited State 23:	Singlet-A'	5.6540 eV	219.29 nm f=0.1389
86 -> 93		-0.27333	
89 -> 95		-0.38639	
90 -> 97		-0.11191	
91 -> 98		0.42858	
Excited State 24:	Singlet-A'	5.6708 eV	218.64 nm f=0.0665
83 -> 92		-0.14272	
84 -> 92		0.11744	
85 -> 93		0.21770	
89 -> 95		0.24398	
90 -> 96		0.32404	
90 -> 97		0.39331	
91 -> 97		0.12683	
91 -> 98		0.17428	
Excited State 25:	Singlet-A'	5.7587 eV	215.30 nm f=0.0250
83 -> 92		0.55313	
85 -> 93		0.15192	
88 -> 94		-0.28770	
91 -> 98		0.13637	
91 -> 99		-0.12157	

## Transition energy, wavelengths, and oscillator strengths of the electronic transitions of 6a (The 91st orbital is HOMO shown in Figure S18).

Excitation energies and oscillator strengths:			
Excited State 1:	Singlet-A'	2.5726 eV	481.93 nm f=0.2871
91 -> 92		0.69443	
Excited State 2:	Singlet-A'	3.1211 eV	397.24 nm f=0.0571
90 -> 92		0.55408	
91 -> 93		-0.40653	
91 -> 94		-0.12201	
Excited State 3:	Singlet-A'	3.3382 eV	371.41 nm f=0.0608
90 -> 92		0.40483	
91 -> 93		0.55915	
Excited State 4:	Singlet-A'	3.6873 eV	336.25 nm f=0.0279
89 -> 92		0.55460	
91 -> 94		-0.40180	
Excited State 5:	Singlet-A'	3.8334 eV	323.43 nm f=0.1267
88 -> 92		0.16654	
88 -> 93		0.11721	
89 -> 92		0.39292	
90 -> 93		-0.14268	
91 -> 94		0.50549	
Excited State 6:	Singlet-A'	4.0133 eV	308.93 nm f=0.0785
88 -> 92		0.63732	
90 -> 93		0.13484	
90 -> 94		-0.12232	
91 -> 94		-0.11200	
Excited State 7:	Singlet-A'	4.1068 eV	301.90 nm f=0.2598
90 -> 93		0.59330	
91 -> 94		0.17450	
91 -> 95		0.27991	
91 -> 96		0.11914	
Excited State 8:	Singlet-A'	4.2251 eV	293.45 nm f=0.0004
87 -> 92		0.69610	
87 -> 93		-0.10501	
Excited State 9:	Singlet-A'	4.3937 eV	282.18 nm f=0.2119
86 -> 92		0.11830	
88 -> 93		-0.22763	
90 -> 93		-0.23523	
90 -> 94		-0.39450	
91 -> 95		0.40870	
Excited State 10:	Singlet-A'	4.5231 eV	274.12 nm f=0.1374
86 -> 92		-0.21495	
89 -> 93		-0.37035	
90 -> 94		0.25334	
91 -> 95		0.41678	
91 -> 96		-0.21607	
Excited State 11:	Singlet-A'	4.6925 eV	264.22 nm f=0.0135
85 -> 92		0.11087	
86 -> 92		-0.40939	
88 -> 93		0.14296	
89 -> 93		0.45987	
91 -> 96		-0.22553	
Excited State 12:	Singlet-A'	4.7925 eV	258.70 nm f=0.2644
85 -> 92		0.12962	
88 -> 93		0.50172	
89 -> 93		-0.20875	
89 -> 94		0.11460	
90 -> 94		-0.36762	
Excited State 13:	Singlet-A'	4.8274 eV	256.84 nm f=0.0584
85 -> 92		0.35990	
86 -> 92		0.36381	
88 -> 94		-0.17472	
89 -> 93		0.18574	
89 -> 94		-0.11153	
90 -> 94		0.13141	
91 -> 95		0.11218	
91 -> 96		-0.16000	
91 -> 97		0.27082	
Excited State 14:	Singlet-A'	4.9311 eV	251.43 nm f=0.0232
86 -> 92		-0.17366	
89 -> 94		-0.11787	
91 -> 96		0.43866	
91 -> 97		0.47265	
Excited State 15:	Singlet-A'	4.9721 eV	249.36 nm f=0.0164
85 -> 92		0.51490	
88 -> 93		-0.22733	
88 -> 94		0.22008	
89 -> 93		-0.10490	
89 -> 94		0.12674	
90 -> 95		-0.14091	
90 -> 96		0.11509	
91 -> 96		0.15623	
Excited State 16:	Singlet-A''	5.0599 eV	245.03 nm f=0.0003
87 -> 93		0.65741	
87 -> 94		0.22629	
Excited State 17:	Singlet-A'	5.1541 eV	240.56 nm f=0.3294
88 -> 93		-0.22003	
89 -> 94		0.41289	
90 -> 94		-0.14154	
90 -> 95		0.17732	
91 -> 96		-0.19640	
91 -> 97		0.37497	
Excited State 18:	Singlet-A'	5.2719 eV	235.18 nm f=0.1182
85 -> 92		0.12890	
86 -> 93		-0.11211	
88 -> 94		0.20978	
89 -> 94		-0.29381	
90 -> 94		-0.10182	
90 -> 95		0.53034	
Excited State 19:	Singlet-A'	5.3292 eV	232.65 nm f=0.1903
84 -> 92		0.41335	
86 -> 92		-0.10094	
86 -> 93		-0.22198	
88 -> 93		-0.11502	
88 -> 94		-0.18561	
90 -> 95		-0.15850	
91 -> 98		0.35634	
Excited State 20:	Singlet-A'	5.4471 eV	227.62 nm f=0.4501
85 -> 93		-0.18723	
86 -> 92		0.22263	
86 -> 93		0.15110	
88 -> 94		0.28943	
89 -> 94		0.16512	
89 -> 95		-0.18883	
90 -> 94		0.14475	
91 -> 98		0.37518	
Excited State 21:	Singlet-A'	5.4917 eV	225.77 nm f=0.0073
84 -> 92		0.43598	
86 -> 93		0.20135	
88 -> 94		0.15696	
89 -> 94		-0.16481	
89 -> 95		-0.18220	
90 -> 96		0.12551	
90 -> 97		-0.15462	
91 -> 96		-0.11603	
91 -> 98		-0.28836	
Excited State 22:	Singlet-A'	5.5566 eV	223.13 nm f=0.1594
84 -> 92		-0.27718	
89 -> 94		-0.23480	
89 -> 95		-0.26937	
90 -> 95		-0.22585	
90 -> 96		0.29889	
91 -> 96		-0.15626	
91 -> 97		0.12818	
91 -> 98		0.18623	
Excited State 23:	Singlet-A'	5.6187 eV	220.66 nm f=0.2488
85 -> 93		-0.18868	
86 -> 93		0.16932	
88 -> 94		-0.33024	
90 -> 95		0.18843	
90 -> 96		0.45412	
90 -> 97		0.17306	
Excited State 24:	Singlet-A''	5.6799 eV	218.29 nm f=0.0001
87 -> 93		-0.21458	
87 -> 94		0.65763	
Excited State 25:	Singlet-A'	5.7320 eV	216.30 nm f=0.0217
83 -> 92		0.21019	
85 -> 93		0.39956	
86 -> 93		0.27873	
88 -> 94		0.11282	
89 -> 95		0.13553	
90 -> 97		0.35311	
91 -> 98		0.14639	

## Transition energy, wavelengths, and oscillator strengths of the electronic transitions of 7a (The 104th orbital is HOMO shown in Figure S19).

Excitation energies and oscillator strengths:

Excited State 1: Singlet-A'	2.3847 eV	519.91 nm	f=0.3278	102 ->108	0.53899		
103 ->105	-0.16799			103 ->107	0.11749		
104 ->105	0.63012			104 ->110	-0.32056		
Excited State 2: Singlet-A'	2.7341 eV	453.47 nm	f=0.1691	Excited State 21: Singlet-A'	5.0981 eV	243.20 nm	f=0.5377
103 ->105	0.62984			100 ->106	0.31407		
104 ->105	0.13664			101 ->106	0.10405		
Excited State 3: Singlet-A'	3.1484 eV	393.80 nm	f=0.0038	101 ->107	-0.21171		
102 ->105	0.57608			102 ->106	0.11630		
104 ->106	-0.34924			102 ->107	0.25442		
Excited State 4: Singlet-A'	3.1858 eV	389.18 nm	f=0.0046	102 ->108	0.25098		
102 ->105	0.36449			103 ->107	-0.10791		
104 ->106	0.55590			103 ->109	0.16065		
Excited State 5: Singlet-A'	3.5679 eV	347.50 nm	f=0.0216	104 ->110	0.25607		
101 ->105	0.52096			Excited State 22: Singlet-A'	5.1830 eV	239.22 nm	f=0.0330
103 ->106	-0.36020			96 ->105	-0.19358		
103 ->107	0.17944			98 ->106	0.20900		
104 ->107	0.16080			101 ->107	0.13319		
Excited State 6: Singlet-A'	3.7099 eV	334.20 nm	f=0.2904	101 ->108	-0.16635		
101 ->105	0.33222			102 ->108	-0.14107		
102 ->106	-0.10504			103 ->109	0.50012		
103 ->106	0.54538			104 ->110	-0.15156		
103 ->107	0.17532			104 ->112	0.15415		
Excited State 7: Singlet-A'	3.8315 eV	323.59 nm	f=0.1351	Excited State 23: Singlet-A'	5.2457 eV	236.35 nm	f=0.0520
101 ->106	0.11712			96 ->105	0.47586		
102 ->106	0.16318			97 ->105	0.12471		
104 ->107	0.62948			98 ->106	0.17375		
Excited State 8: Singlet-A''	3.9635 eV	312.81 nm	f=0.0003	103 ->109	0.20033		
99 ->105	0.69335			103 ->110	0.33536		
Excited State 9: Singlet-A'	3.9805 eV	311.48 nm	f=0.0548	103 ->111	-0.12549		
102 ->106	-0.27057			Excited State 24: Singlet-A'	5.3055 eV	233.69 nm	f=0.0383
103 ->106	-0.10549			95 ->105	0.18448		
104 ->107	0.12029			96 ->105	-0.22998		
104 ->108	0.59137			98 ->106	0.32371		
104 ->110	0.10642			100 ->106	-0.24476		
Excited State 10: Singlet-A'	4.1885 eV	296.01 nm	f=0.1841	101 ->107	-0.29310		
98 ->105	0.25121			101 ->108	0.17820		
100 ->105	0.23901			103 ->110	0.22960		
101 ->105	-0.13176			104 ->110	0.10472		
101 ->106	-0.15370			104 ->112	0.15529		
102 ->106	0.32756			Excited State 25: Singlet-A'	5.3392 eV	232.22 nm	f=0.0153
103 ->107	0.42844			95 ->105	0.15915		
Excited State 11: Singlet-A'	4.2745 eV	290.06 nm	f=0.1113	96 ->105	-0.20545		
100 ->105	0.43184			98 ->106	-0.30280		
101 ->105	-0.11092			101 ->107	0.23433		
102 ->106	-0.36561			102 ->108	0.13442		
103 ->108	-0.20450			103 ->110	0.40473		
104 ->108	-0.23044			103 ->111	0.13857		
104 ->110	0.19667			104 ->111	0.11215		
Excited State 12: Singlet-A'	4.3684 eV	283.82 nm	f=0.1078	104 ->112	-0.15224		
98 ->105	0.55499			Excited State 26: Singlet-A'	5.3720 eV	230.80 nm	f=0.0544
100 ->105	-0.12526			98 ->106	0.15095		
102 ->106	-0.21173			100 ->106	0.34459		
103 ->108	0.27454			101 ->107	0.31513		
104 ->108	-0.11989			101 ->108	0.29624		
Excited State 13: Singlet-A'	4.4885 eV	276.23 nm	f=0.0721	104 ->111	-0.17701		
98 ->105	-0.21234			104 ->112	0.27988		
101 ->106	-0.22754			Excited State 27: Singlet-A'	5.4290 eV	228.37 nm	f=0.0307
102 ->107	-0.14786			95 ->105	0.30649		
103 ->107	0.13841			96 ->105	0.13988		
103 ->108	0.45799			98 ->106	0.12437		
104 ->110	0.28325			100 ->106	0.14387		
Excited State 14: Singlet-A'	4.5350 eV	273.39 nm	f=0.0522	103 ->110	-0.14787		
98 ->105	-0.11066			104 ->111	0.52653		
100 ->105	0.31656			Excited State 28: Singlet-A'	5.4428 eV	227.79 nm	f=0.0071
101 ->106	0.47435			95 ->105	0.43057		
103 ->108	0.28369			98 ->106	0.17147		
104 ->110	-0.12275			101 ->108	-0.14092		
Excited State 15: Singlet-A'	4.6394 eV	267.24 nm	f=0.5737	103 ->110	-0.11225		
100 ->105	-0.14781			104 ->111	-0.36365		
101 ->106	0.32022			104 ->112	-0.27147		
102 ->107	-0.30795			Excited State 29: Singlet-A'	5.4933 eV	225.70 nm	f=0.0061
103 ->107	0.27472			95 ->105	0.22154		
103 ->108	-0.17558			96 ->105	0.18286		
103 ->109	0.10344			97 ->106	-0.16043		
104 ->109	0.21948			98 ->106	-0.23895		
104 ->110	0.22995			101 ->108	-0.25067		
Excited State 16: Singlet-A'	4.7513 eV	260.95 nm	f=0.0141	102 ->109	-0.19098		
102 ->107	0.22119			103 ->112	-0.10211		
104 ->109	0.60838			104 ->112	0.38941		
Excited State 17: Singlet-A'	4.8414 eV	256.09 nm	f=0.0446	Excited State 30: Singlet-A'	5.6123 eV	220.92 nm	f=0.5679
97 ->105	0.61338			95 ->105	0.10401		
102 ->107	0.17008			100 ->106	0.30745		
Excited State 18: Singlet-A'	4.9304 eV	251.47 nm	f=0.4837	101 ->107	-0.23644		
97 ->105	-0.23712			102 ->108	-0.14878		
98 ->105	-0.12619			102 ->109	0.21068		
100 ->105	-0.19079			102 ->110	0.24655		
100 ->106	-0.14220			103 ->109	-0.10532		
101 ->108	0.16828			103 ->110	0.23060		
102 ->106	-0.12197			104 ->110	-0.16258		
102 ->107	0.39502			Excited State 31: Singlet-A''	5.6566 eV	219.19 nm	f=0.0000
103 ->107	0.21420			99 ->106	0.16161		
103 ->109	0.16652			99 ->107	0.66298		
104 ->109	-0.11082			99 ->108	-0.13951		
Excited State 19: Singlet-A''	4.9452 eV	250.71 nm	f=0.0001	Excited State 32: Singlet-A'	5.6703 eV	218.66 nm	f=0.0914
99 ->106	0.67763			97 ->106	0.16797		
99 ->107	-0.15728			98 ->106	-0.12622		
Excited State 20: Singlet-A'	5.0036 eV	247.79 nm	f=0.2212	98 ->107	-0.17522		
102 ->106	-0.11816			100 ->107	0.17814		
				100 ->108	0.11630		

101 ->108	0.30996		
101 ->110	-0.16061		
102 ->109	-0.13018		
102 ->110	0.17829		
103 ->109	0.15210		
103 ->111	-0.14145		
103 ->112	-0.10876		
104 ->111	-0.10561		
104 ->113	-0.19918		
Excited State 33: Singlet-A'	5.7378 eV	216.08 nm	f=0.1787
95 ->105	0.11340		
96 ->105	0.12283		
98 ->106	-0.13772		
100 ->108	-0.17141		
101 ->108	0.15023		
101 ->110	0.12016		
102 ->107	-0.11066		
102 ->109	0.46214		
102 ->110	-0.11724		
103 ->109	0.15862		
103 ->110	-0.11528		
103 ->111	0.10231		
Excited State 34: Singlet-A'	5.7721 eV	214.80 nm	f=0.0100
92 ->105	-0.15218		
93 ->105	-0.10284		
96 ->105	0.12634		
96 ->106	0.13949		
97 ->106	-0.22861		
101 ->107	-0.11690		
101 ->108	0.10429		
102 ->109	-0.16280		
103 ->111	0.46187		
104 ->113	-0.17783		
Excited State 35: Singlet-A"	5.8466 eV	212.06 nm	f=0.0008
99 ->107	0.13951		
99 ->108	0.65440		
99 ->111	-0.11881		
Excited State 36: Singlet-A'	5.8582 eV	211.64 nm	f=0.0319
93 ->105	0.11109		
95 ->105	-0.12334		
97 ->106	-0.25568		
98 ->108	0.16745		
101 ->110	-0.10678		
102 ->110	0.18191		
103 ->112	-0.19109		
104 ->112	-0.16631		
104 ->113	0.44254		
Excited State 37: Singlet-A'	5.8768 eV	210.97 nm	f=0.0212
92 ->105	-0.16298		
97 ->106	0.31366		
100 ->107	0.11127		
101 ->109	-0.11095		
102 ->109	0.13485		
102 ->110	0.33282		
103 ->111	0.25795		
103 ->112	0.21908		
104 ->112	0.10927		
Excited State 38: Singlet-A"	5.9934 eV	206.87 nm	f=0.0000
91 ->105	-0.17329		
94 ->105	0.65866		
Excited State 39: Singlet-A'	6.0325 eV	205.53 nm	f=0.0941
96 ->106	-0.13360		
97 ->106	-0.13296		
98 ->107	-0.20724		
98 ->108	0.20846		
100 ->107	0.36412		
101 ->108	-0.15416		
102 ->109	0.19760		
102 ->110	-0.14579		
104 ->113	-0.26055		
Excited State 40: Singlet-A'	6.0471 eV	205.03 nm	f=0.0785
93 ->105	0.25636		
96 ->106	0.11046		
98 ->107	-0.16345		
100 ->107	0.17645		
101 ->109	0.15605		
102 ->109	-0.13722		
102 ->110	-0.13252		
103 ->112	0.44231		
104 ->113	0.14590		

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