

# One-pot Synthesis of Quinazoline Derivatives via [2+2+2] Cascade Annulation of Diaryliodonium Salts and Two Nitriles

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## 1. General Comments

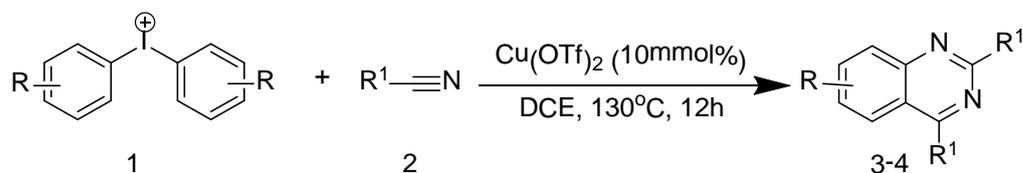
All the reactions were carried out in pre-dried a screwcapped tube with a Teflon-lined septum under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. Ph<sub>2</sub>IPF<sub>6</sub> was purchased from Alfa-aesar. Diaryliodonium reagents except Ph<sub>2</sub>IPF<sub>6</sub> were prepared according to the literatures<sup>[1]</sup>. All of the solvents were fresh distilled. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (particle size 10-40 μm, Ocean Chemical Factory of Qingdao, China). <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL AL-300MHz or AL-400MHz spectrometer at ambient temperature with CDCl<sub>3</sub> as the solvent. Chemical shifts (δ) were given in ppm, referenced to the residual proton resonance of CDCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26), to the carbon resonance of CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.16). Coupling constants (*J*) were given in Hertz (Hz). The term m, dq, q, t, d, s referred to multiplet, doublet quartet, quartet, triplet, doublet, singlet. Mass spectra were obtained using Bruker Esquire ion trap mass spectrometer in positive mode. The reaction progress was monitored by GC-MS if applicable, using n-Dodecane as internal standard.

## 2 Experimental Section

### Starting diaryliodonium salts

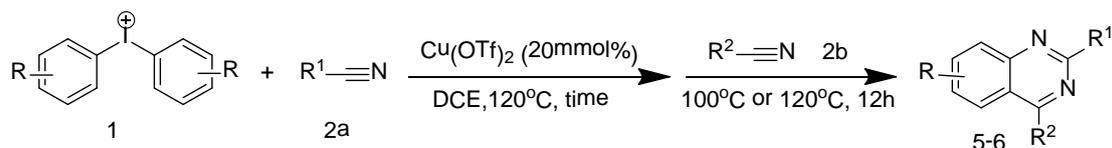
Diaryliodonium salts were synthesized according to the literature procedures except  $\text{Ph}_2\text{IPF}_6$  (commercially available).<sup>1</sup>

### General procedure for the preparation of desired compound 3-4



A sealed tube was charged with the mixture of diaryliodonium salt **1** (1.0 mmol) and  $\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$  (0.1 mmol, 36.1 mg). The tube was evacuated and recharged with  $\text{N}_2$  for 3 times. Appropriate nitrile **2** (3.0 mmol) and dichloroethane (5.0 mL) were added, then the tube was sealed and the mixture was allowed to stir at 130 °C for 12h. After completion, the mixture was cooled to room temperature,  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  solid (2 mmol, 276 mg) was added and the mixture was extracted with DCM, dried by anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/diethyl ether/triethylamine: 50/5/1 to 1000/2/1) to afford the corresponding product as a white or yellow solid or yellow oil.

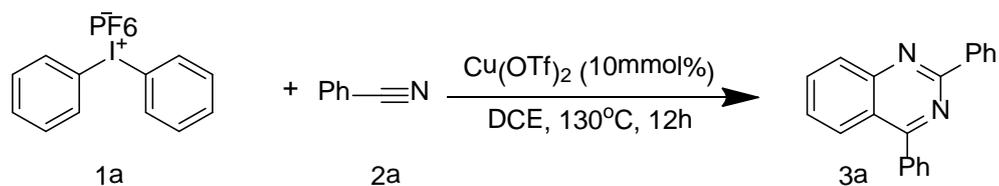
### General procedure for the preparation of desired compound 5-6



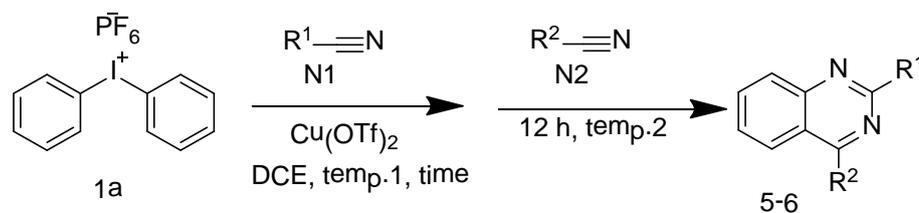
A sealed tube was charged with the mixture of diaryliodonium salt **1** (1.1 mmol) and  $\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$  (0.2 mmol, 72.2 mg). The tube was evacuated and recharged with  $\text{N}_2$  for 3 times. Appropriate nitrile **2a** (1.0 mmol) and dichloroethane (5.0 mL) were added, the tube was sealed and the mixture was allowed to stir at 120 °C for the indicated period of time (0.5 h-2 h). Then the mixture was cooled to room temperature, evacuated and recharged with  $\text{N}_2$  for 3 times, appropriate nitrile **2b** (1.0 or 2.0 mmol) was added and further stirred for 12 h at 100 °C or 120 °C. After completion, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, then  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  solid (2 mmol, 276 mg) was added and the mixture

was extracted with DCM, dried by anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . Evaporation of the solvent followed by purification on silica gel (petroleum ether/diethyl ether/triethylamine: 50/5/1 to 1000/5/1) provided the corresponding product as white or yellow solid.

### 3 Condition Optimization



entry	1a : 2a	Solvent	Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub> (eq.)	Temp. (°C)	Yield <sup>a</sup>
1	1:2	DCE	0.1	130	64%
2	1:2.4	DCE	0.1	130	73%
3	1:3	DCE	0.1	130	84%
4	1:4	DCE	0.1	130	75%

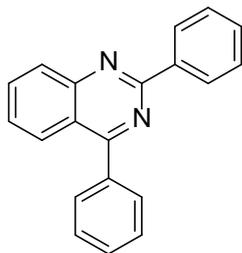


entry	1 : N1 : N2	R <sup>1</sup>	Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub> (eq.)	Temp.1 (°C)	Time (h)	R <sup>2</sup>	Temp.2 (°C)	Yield <sup>a</sup>
5	1:1:1.5	Ph	0.1	130	0.5	Bu	130	34%
6	1:1:1.5	Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Bu	130	49%
7	1.1:1:2	Ph	0.2	120	0.75	Bu	120	61%
8	1.1:1:2	2-thienyl	0.2	120	0.75	Bu	120	63%
9	1.1:1:2	4-CF <sub>3</sub> -Ph	0.2	120	0.75	Bu	120	48%
10	1.1:1:2	4-CF <sub>3</sub> -Ph	0.2	120	1.5	Bu	120	56%
11	1.1:1:1	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Bu	120	69%
12	1.1:1:2	1-Naphthyl	0.2	120	0.75	Bu	120	trace
13	1.1:1:2	1-Naphthyl	0.2	120	2	Bu	120	60%
14	1.1:1:1	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Ph	120	isomer
15	1.1:1:1	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Ph	80	NP

16	1.1:1:1	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Ph	100	isomer
17	1.1:1:1	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	4-CF <sub>3</sub> -Ph	100	72%
18	1.1:1:2	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Bn	120	50%
19	1.1:1:2	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Cl-CH <sub>2</sub>	120	57%
20	1.1:1:2	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Br-CH <sub>2</sub>	120	55%
21	1.1:1:2	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Br	120	65%
22	1.1:1:2	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	Et <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> C	120	60%
23	1.1:1:2	4-OMe-Ph	0.2	120	0.5	(EtO) <sub>2</sub> PO	120	67%

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<sup>a</sup> Isolated yield.

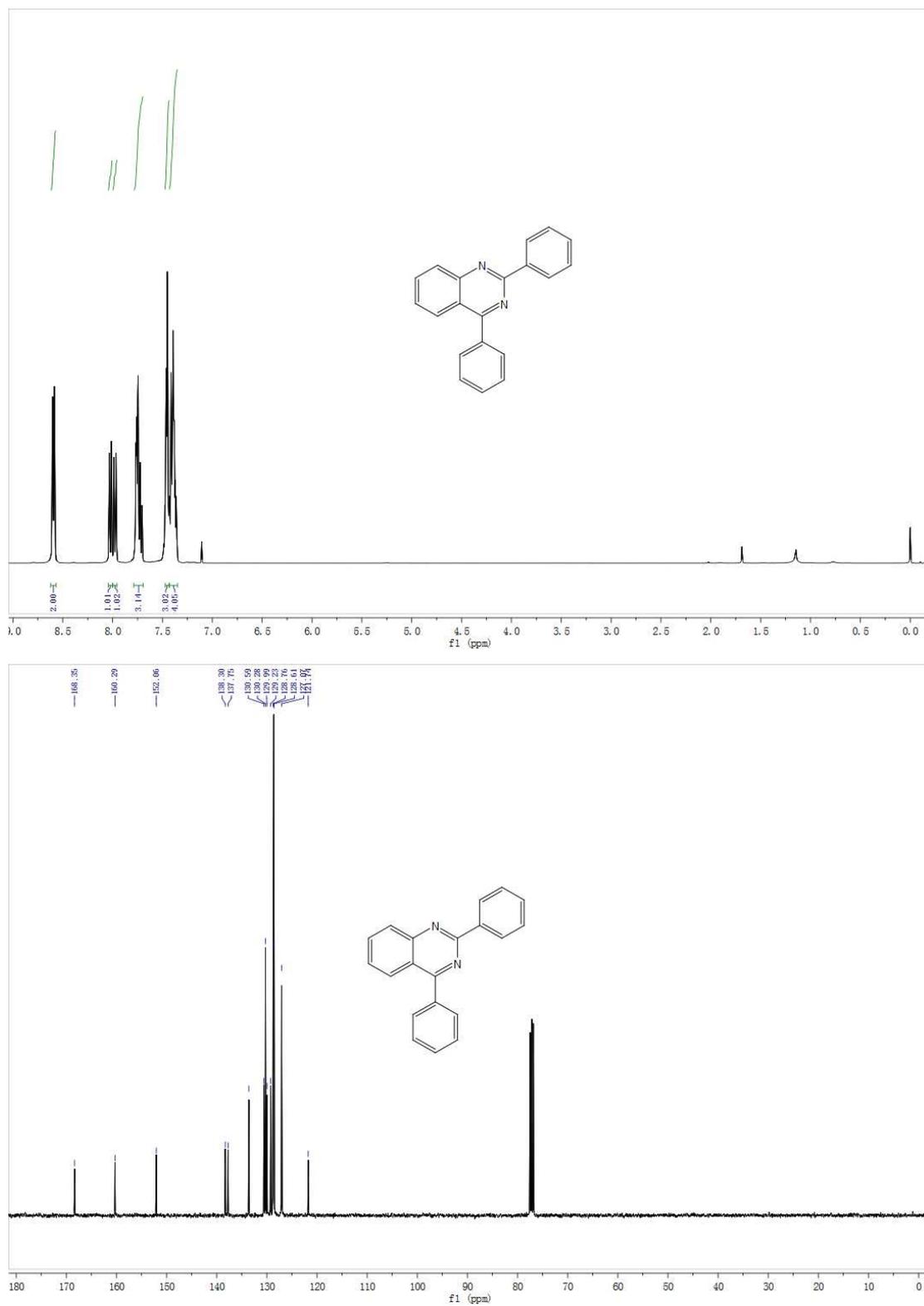


**2,4-diphenylquinazoline (3a)**<sup>2</sup>: white solid, 237 mg, yield: 84%.

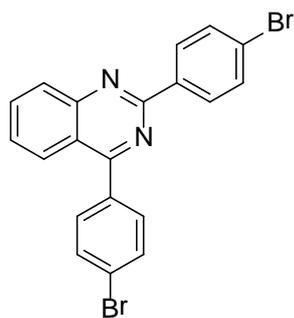
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.62 - 8.57 (m, 2H), 8.02 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.79 - 7.69 (m, 3H), 7.47 - 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.43 - 7.35 (m, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  168.35, 160.29, 152.06, 138.30, 137.75, 133.60, 130.59, 130.28 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.99, 129.23, 128.76 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.61 (CH $\times$ 4), 127.07 (CH $\times$ 2), 121.74.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 283.1230; found: 283.1233.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

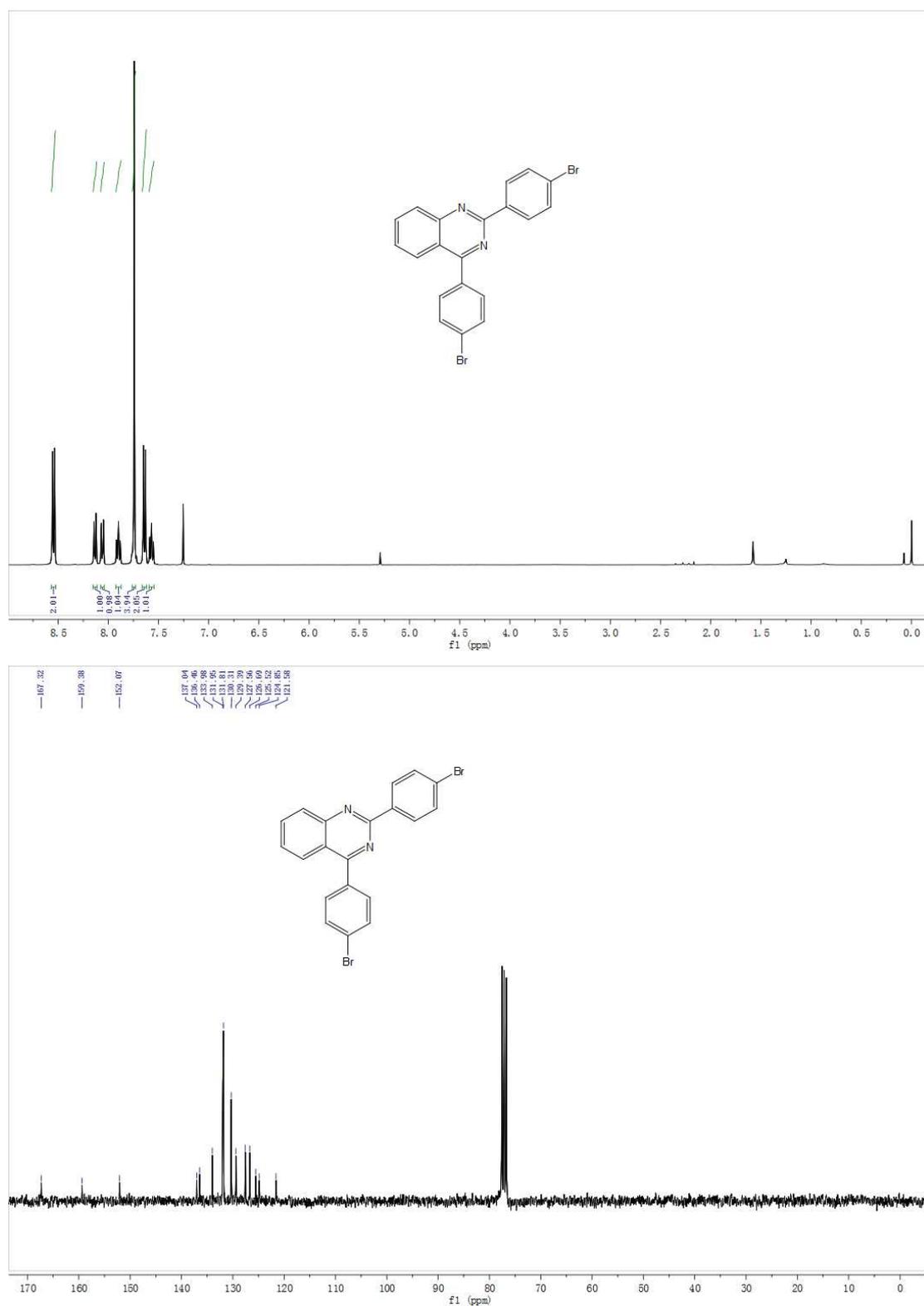


**2, 4-bis(4-bromophenyl)quinazoline (3b):** white solid, 258 mg, yield: 59%.

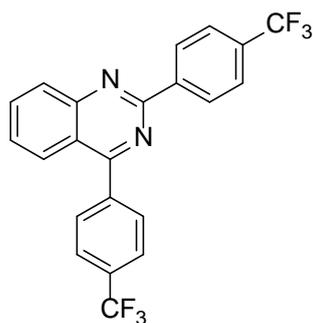
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.54 (d,  $J = 8.9\text{Hz}$ , 2H), 8.13 (d,  $J = 8.4\text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 8.06 (d,  $J = 8.2\text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.90 (t,  $J = 7.4\text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.74 (s, 4H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 8.9\text{ Hz}$ , 2H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 7.8\text{ Hz}$ , 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.32, 159.38, 152.07, 137.04, 136.46, 133.98, 131.95 (CH $\times$ 2), 131.81 (CH $\times$ 4), 130.31 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.39, 127.56, 126.69, 125.52, 124.85, 121.58.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{12}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 440.9421; found: 440.9420.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)



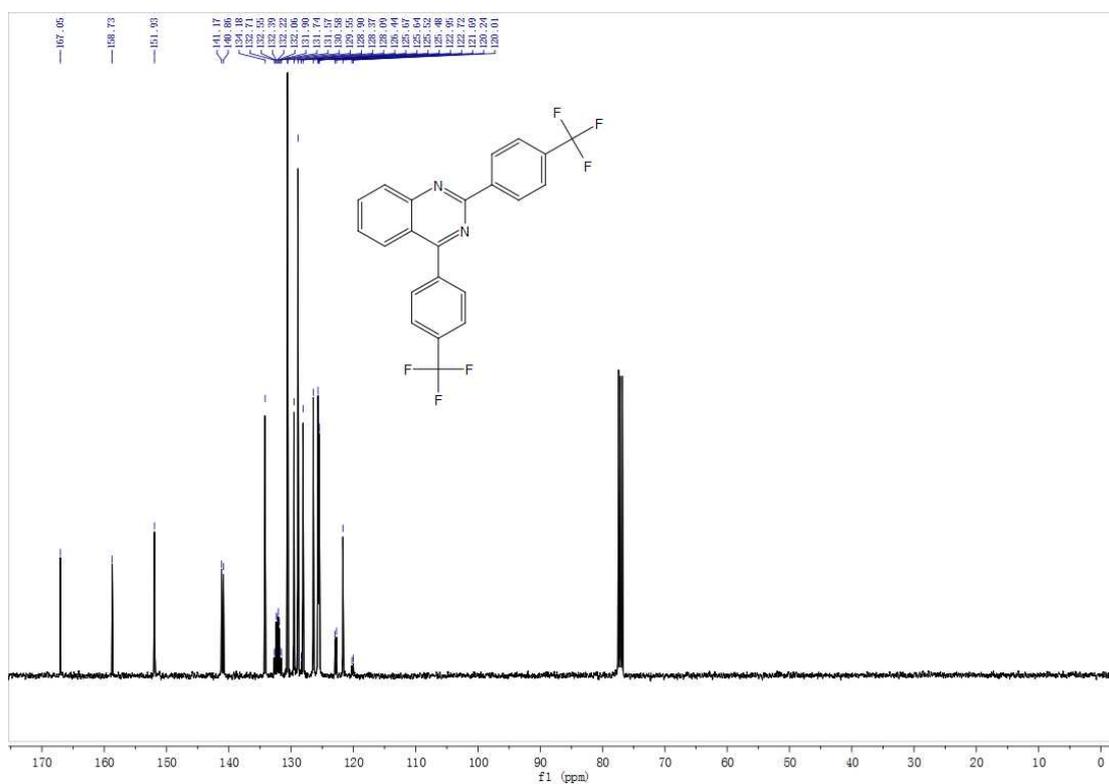
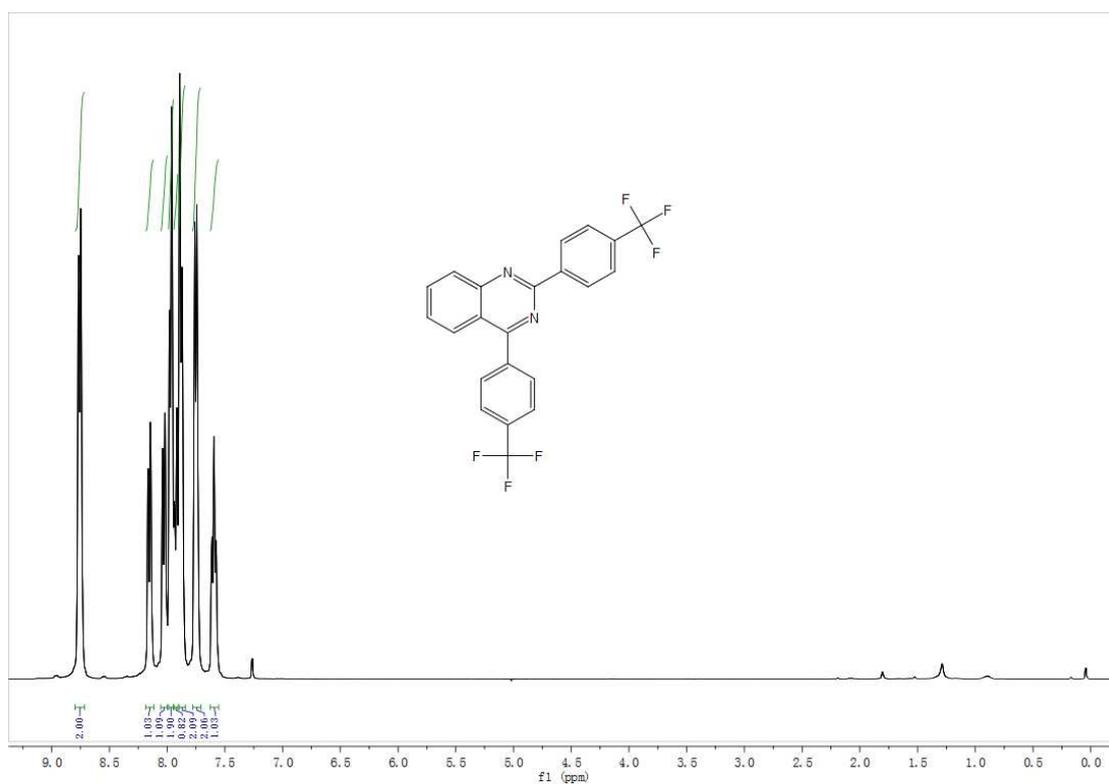
**2,4-bis(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinazoline (3c):** white solid, 276 mg, yield:

66%.

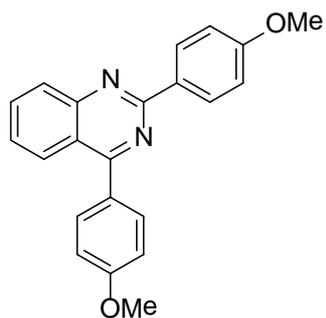
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.76 (d,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 8.15 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.95 - 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.64 - 7.56 (m, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.05, 158.73, 151.93, 141.17, 140.86, 134.18, 132.22 (q,  $J = 32.2$  Hz), 132.06 (q,  $J = 32.7$  Hz), 130.58 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.55, 128.90 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.09, 126.44, 125.66 (q,  $J = 3.4$  Hz, CH $\times$ 2), 125.50 (q,  $J = 3.5$  Hz, CH $\times$ 2), 124.31 (q,  $J = 272.5$  Hz), 124.07 (q,  $J = 272.5$  Hz), 121.69.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 419.0977; found: 419.0976..



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

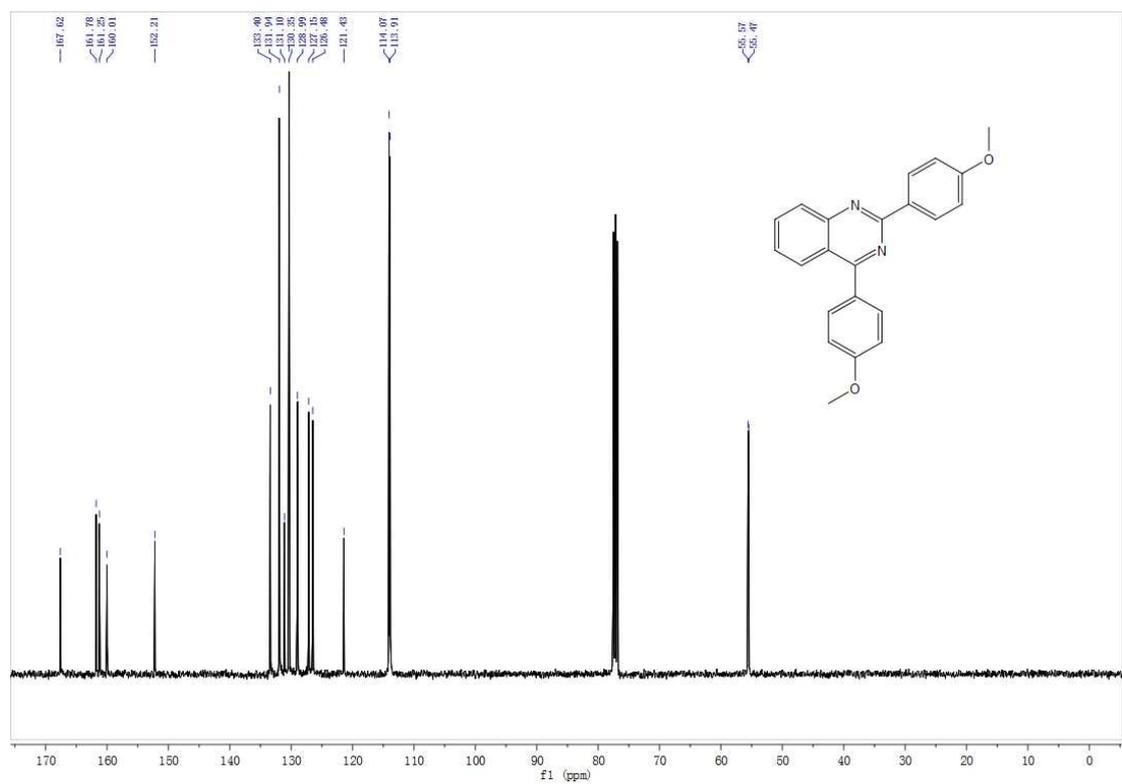
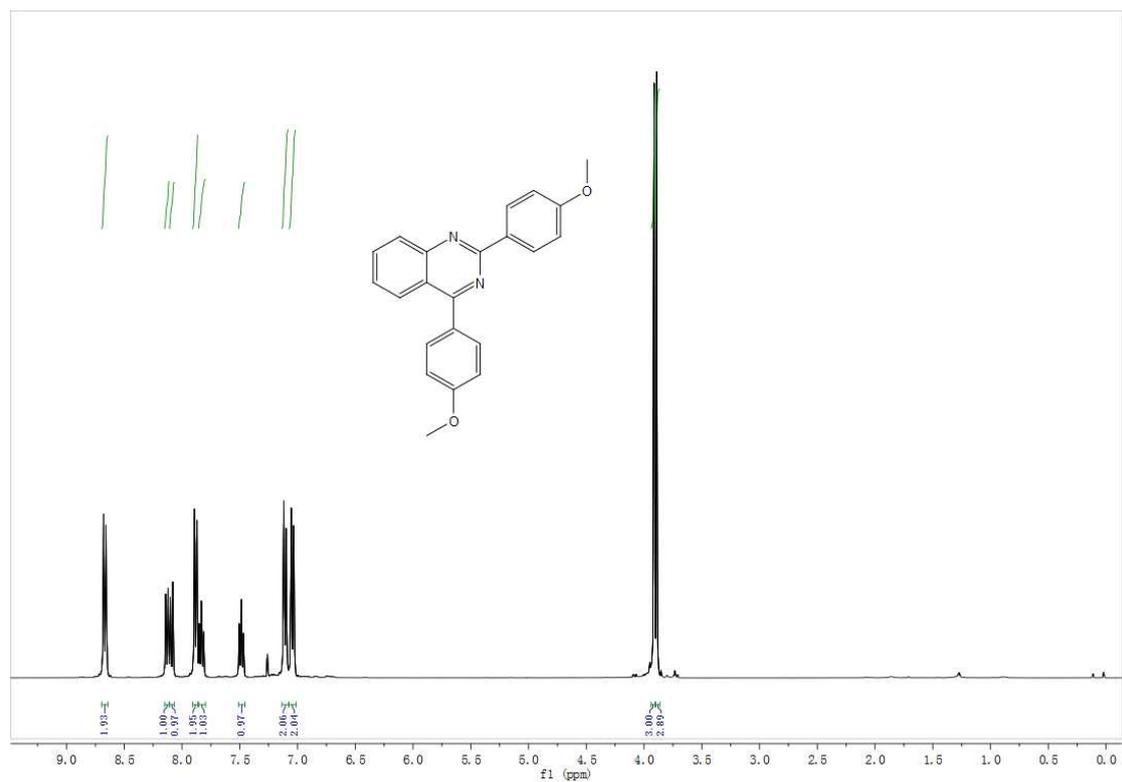


**2, 4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (3d):** white solid, 308 mg, yield: 90%.

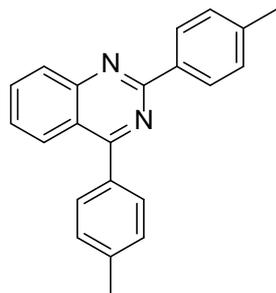
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.70 - 8.64 (m, 2H), 8.13 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d,  $J$  = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (m, 1H), 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.14 - 7.08 (m, 2H), 7.07 - 7.01 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.62, 161.78, 161.25, 160.01, 152.21, 133.40, 131.94, 131.10, 130.35(CH $\times$ 2, C $\times$ 1), 128.99, 127.15, 126.48, 121.43, 114.07(CH $\times$ 2), 113.91(CH $\times$ 2), 55.57, 55.47.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 343.1441; found: 343.1440.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

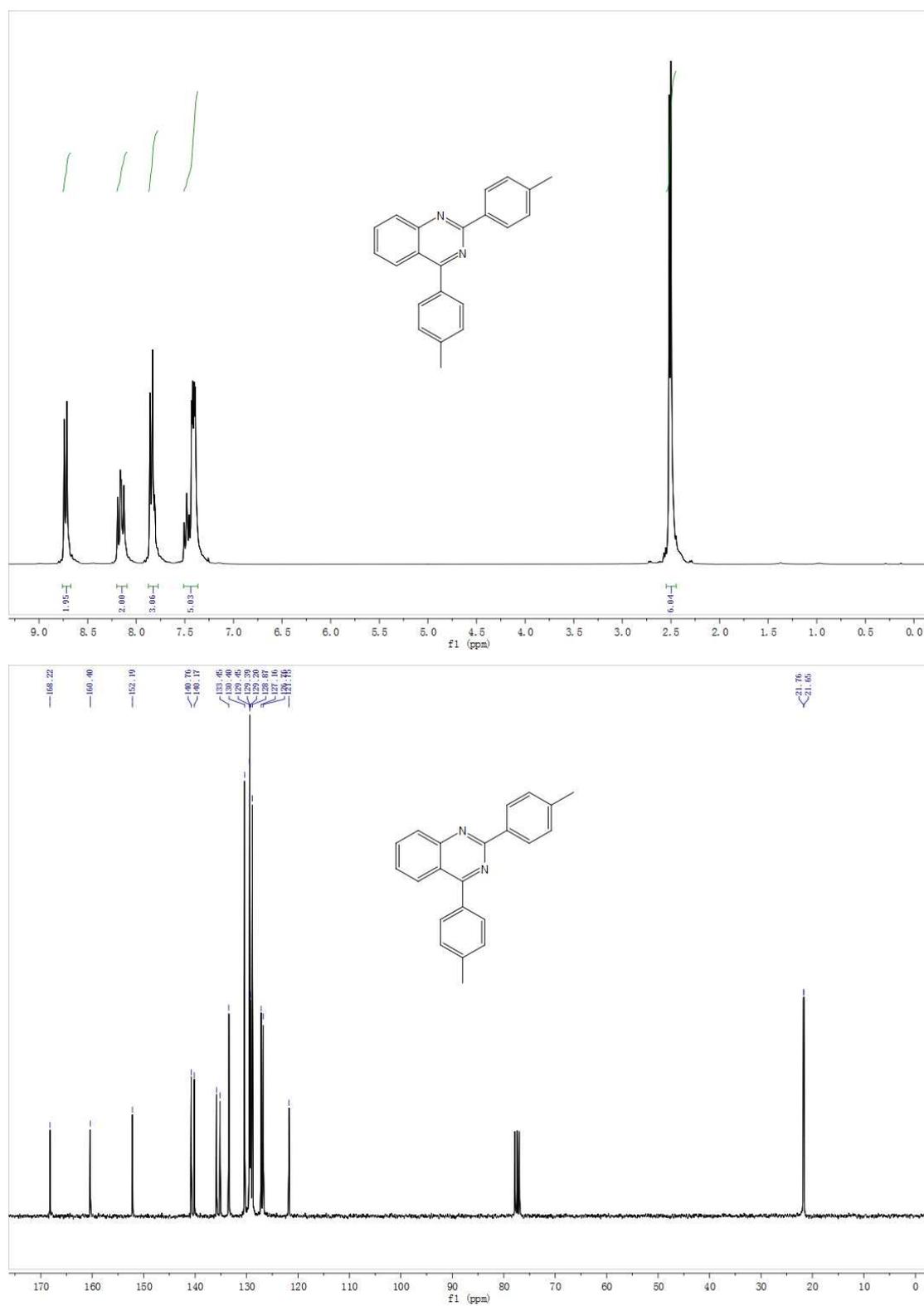


**2,4-dip-tolylquinazoline (3e):** white solid, 273 mg, yield: 88%.

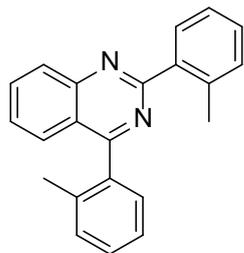
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.73 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 8.16 (dd,  $J$  = 11.0, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (dd,  $J$  = 13.8, 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.51 - 7.37 (m, 5H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 2.50 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  168.22, 160.40, 152.19, 140.76, 140.17, 135.83, 135.14, 133.45, 130.40 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.45 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.39 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.20, 128.87 (CH $\times$ 2), 127.16, 126.76, 121.75, 21.76, 21.65.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 311.1543; found: 311.1544.



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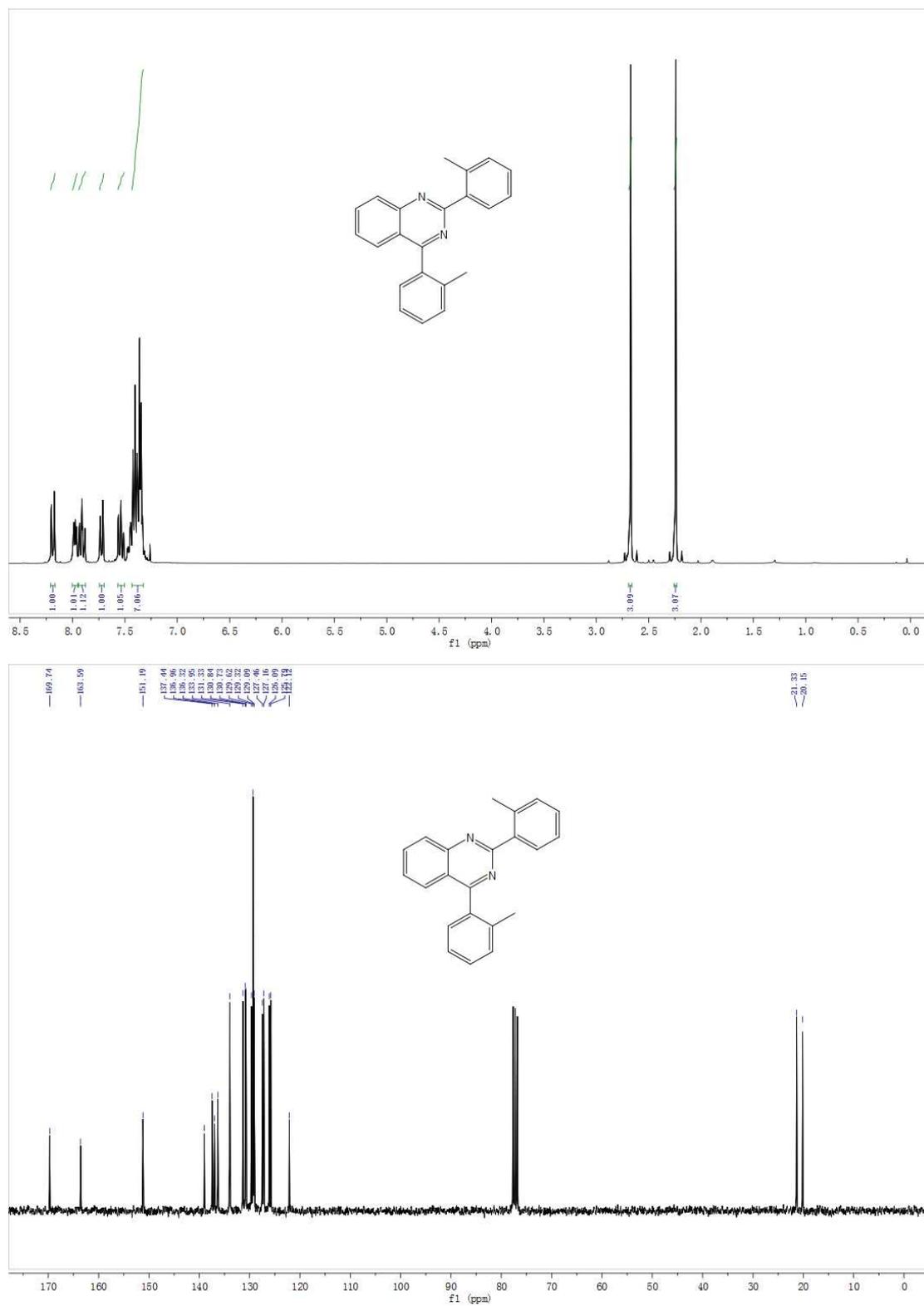


**2,4-dio-tolylquinzoline (3f):** white solid, 254 mg, yield: 82%.

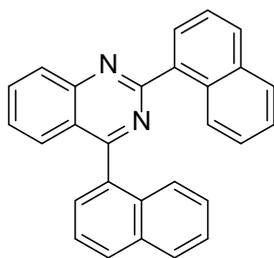
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$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  169.74, 163.59, 151.19, 139.00, 137.44, 136.96, 136.32, 133.95, 131.33, 130.84, 130.73, 129.62, 129.32 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.09, 127.46, 127.16, 126.09, 125.79, 122.12, 21.33, 20.15.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 311.1543; found: 311.1543.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

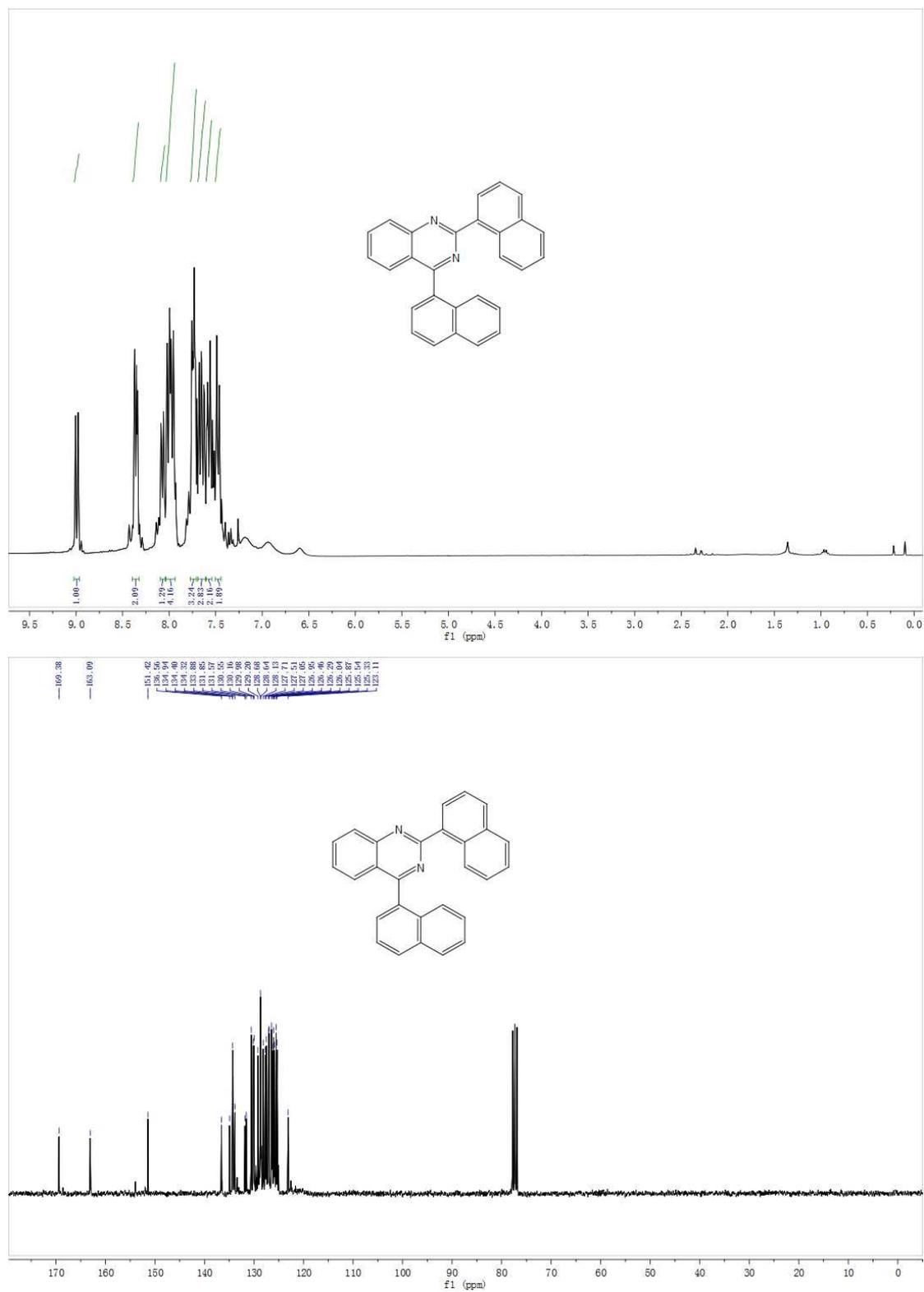


**2,4-di(naphthalene-1-yl)quinazoline** (3g): yellow solid, 271 mg, yield: 71%.

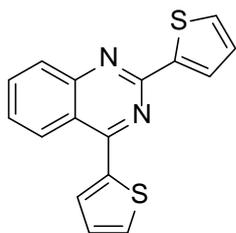
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.99 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.39 - 8.32 (m, 2H), 8.07 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd,  $J = 12.7, 7.7$  Hz, 4H), 7.77 - 7.71 (m, 3H), 7.69 - 7.61 (m, 3H), 7.60 - 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.50 - 7.44 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  169.38, 163.09, 151.42, 136.56, 134.94, 134.40, 134.32, 133.88, 131.85, 131.57, 130.55, 130.16, 129.98, 129.20, 128.68, 128.64, 128.13, 127.71, 127.51, 127.05, 126.95, 126.46, 126.29, 126.04, 125.87, 125.54, 125.33, 123.11.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 383.1543; found: 383.1544.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

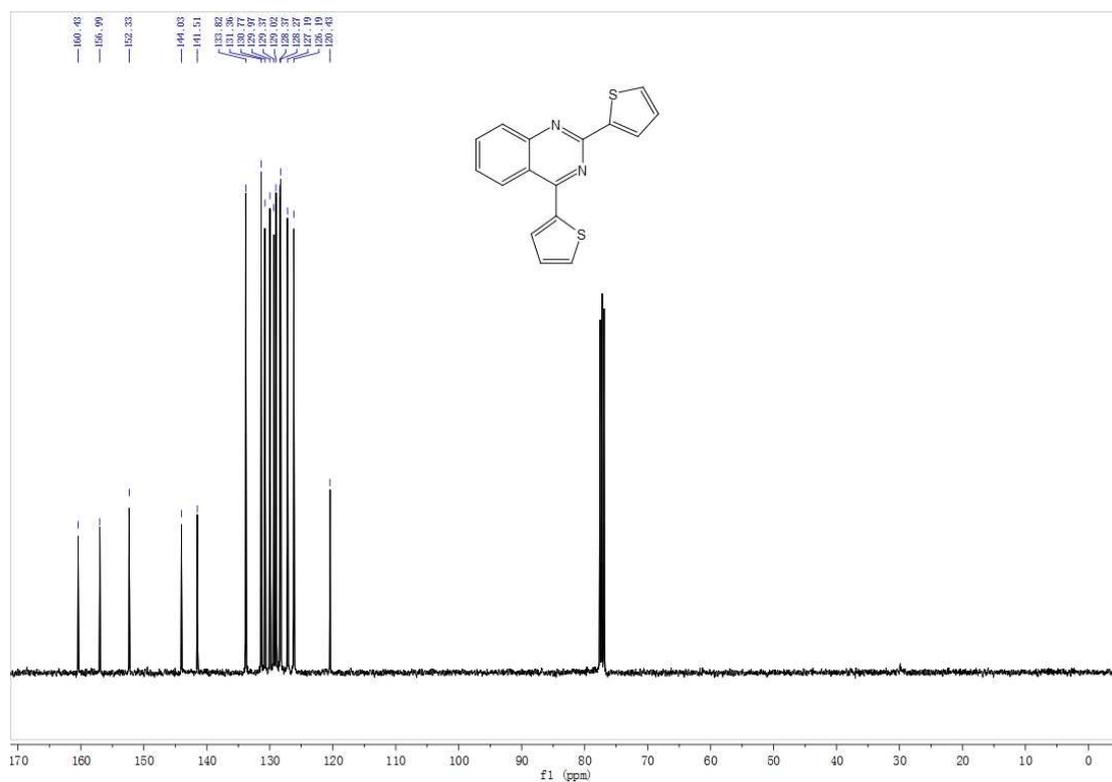
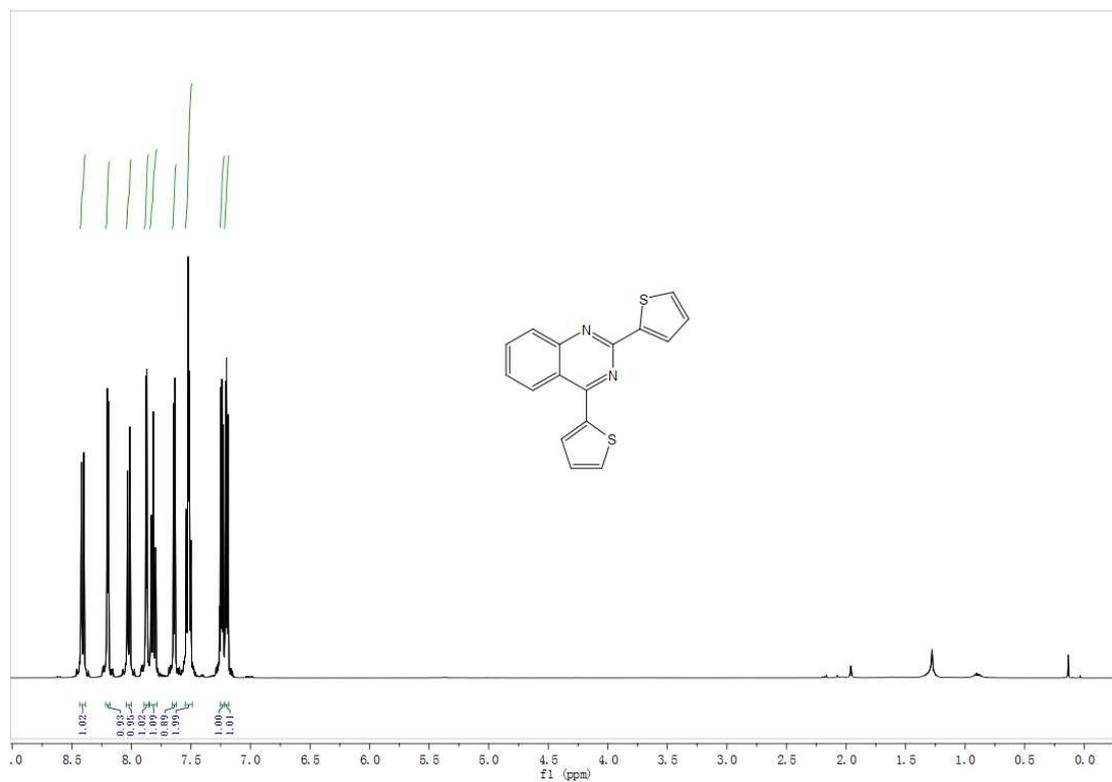


**2,4-di(thiophen-2-yl)quinazoline (3h):** yellow solid, 235 mg, yield: 80%.

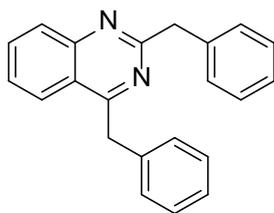
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.41 (dd,  $J = 11.0, 3.1$  Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd,  $J = 3.7, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.89 - 7.85 (m, 1H), 7.85 - 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.64 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.55 - 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.24 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 3.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 3.7$  Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  160.43, 156.99, 152.33, 144.03, 141.51, 133.82, 131.36, 130.77, 129.97, 129.37, 129.02, 128.37, 128.27, 127.19, 126.19, 120.43.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{S}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 295.0358; found: 295.0357.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

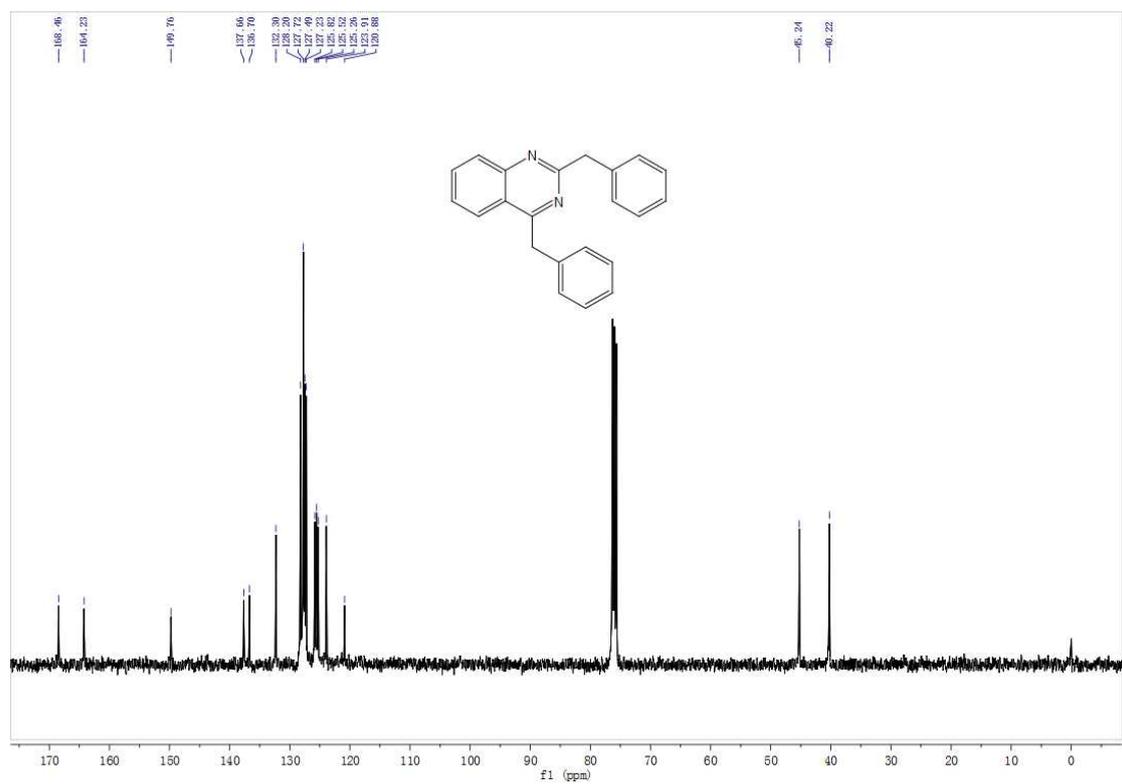
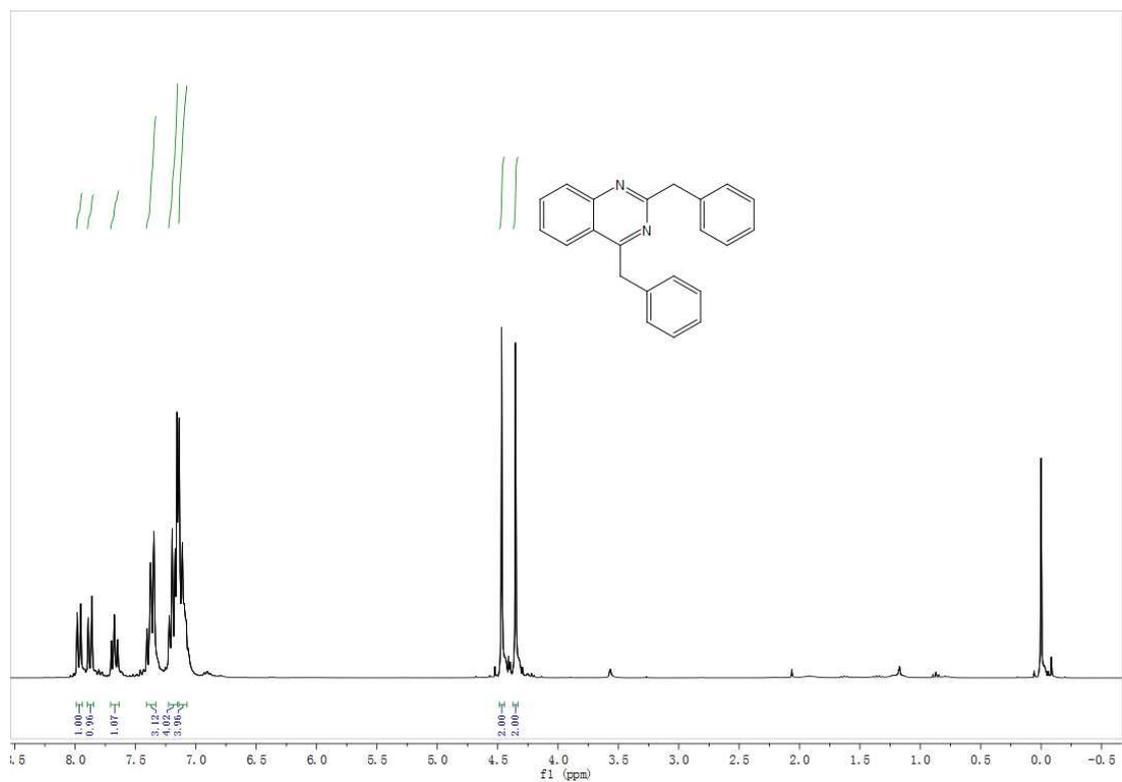


**2,4-dibenzylquinazoline (3i):** yellow oil, 161 mg, yield: 52%.

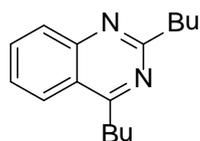
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  7.97 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71 - 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.41 - 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.23 - 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.14 - 7.07 (m, 4H), 4.47 (s, 2H), 4.35 (s, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  168.46, 164.23, 149.76, 137.66, 136.70, 132.30, 128.20(CH $\times$ 2), 127.72(CH $\times$ 3), 127.49(CH $\times$ 2), 127.23(CH $\times$ 2), 125.82, 125.52, 125.26, 123.91, 120.88, 45.24, 40.22.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$  [M+H] $^+$ : 311.1543; found: 311.1544.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

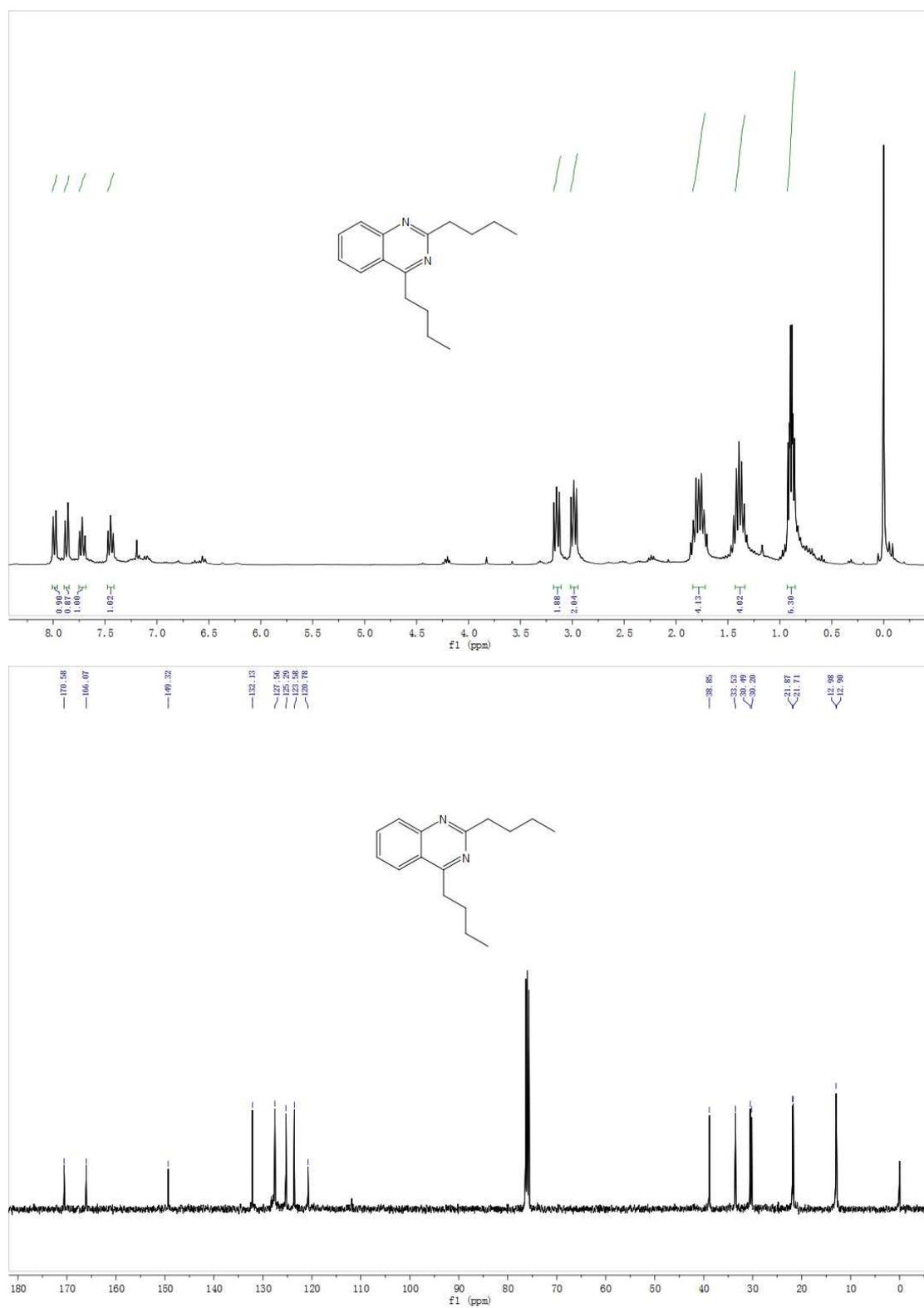


**2,4-dibutylquinazoline (3j):** yellow oil, 131 mg, yield: 54%.

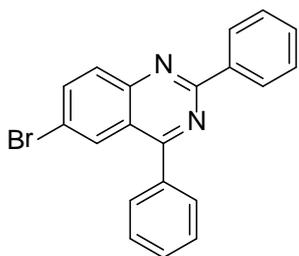
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  7.99 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.72 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 - 7.41 (m, 1H), 3.15 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.99 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 3H), 1.86 - 1.69 (m, 4H), 1.43 - 1.34 (m, 4H), 0.93 - 0.85 (m, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  170.58, 166.07, 149.32, 132.13, 127.56, 125.29, 123.58, 120.78, 38.85, 33.53, 30.49, 30.20, 21.87, 21.71, 12.98, 12.90.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 243.1856; found: 243.1849.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

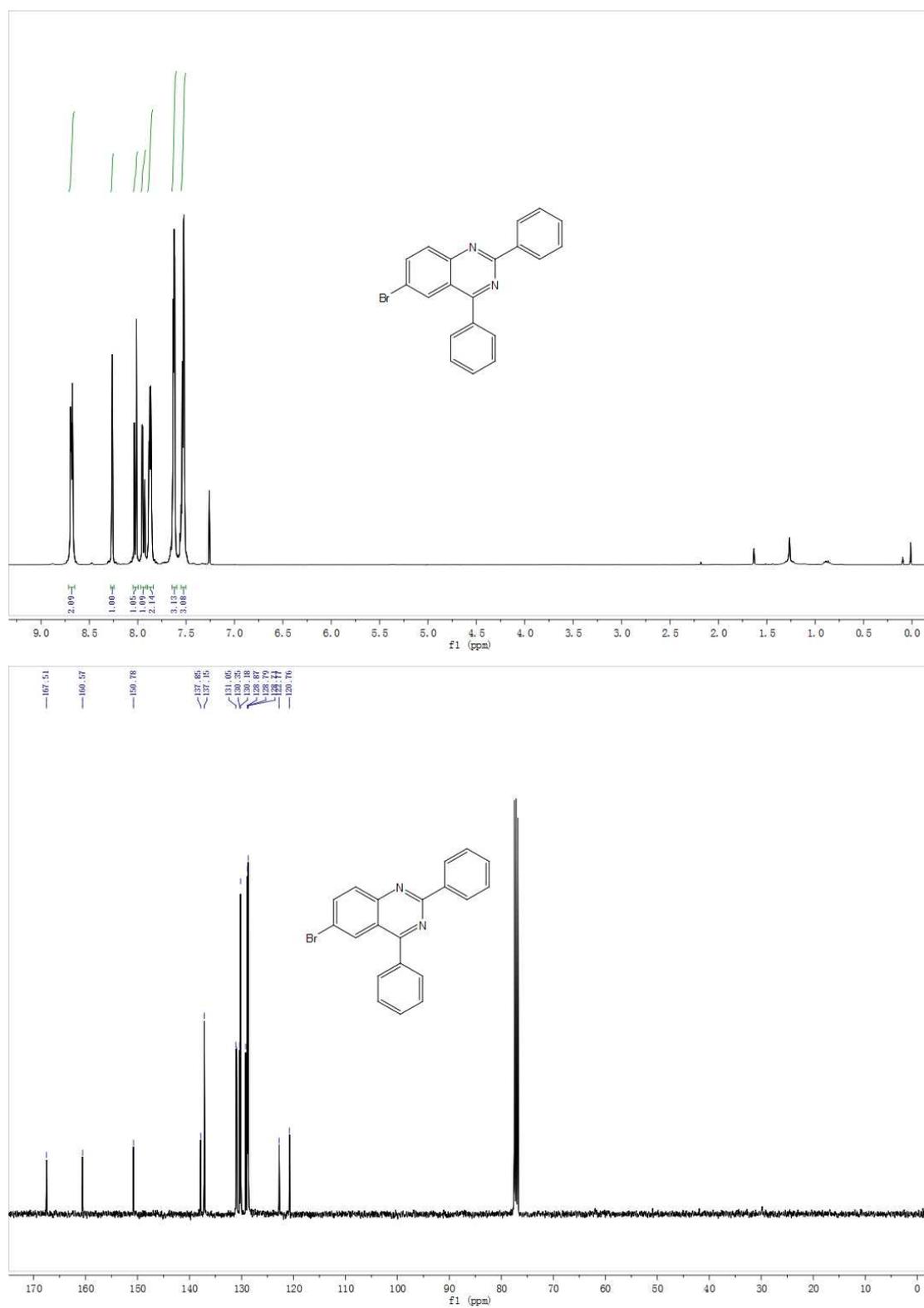


**6-bromo-2,4-diphenylquinazoline** (4a)<sup>2(a,b)</sup>: white solid, 259 mg, yield: 72%.

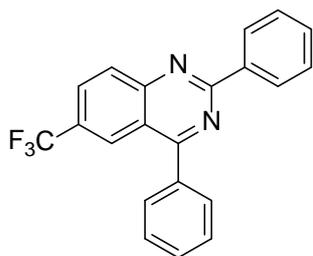
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.68 (dd,  $J = 7.2, 2.3$  Hz, 2H), 8.26 (d,  $J = 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd,  $J = 8.9, 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.90 - 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.65 - 7.60 (m, 3H), 7.55 - 7.50 (m, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.51, 160.57, 150.78, 137.85, 137.15(CH $\times$ 1, C $\times$ 1), 131.05, 130.91, 130.35, 130.18(CH $\times$ 2), 129.20, 128.87(CH $\times$ 2), 128.79(CH $\times$ 2), 128.71(CH $\times$ 2), 122.77, 120.76.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 361.0335; found: 361.0330.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

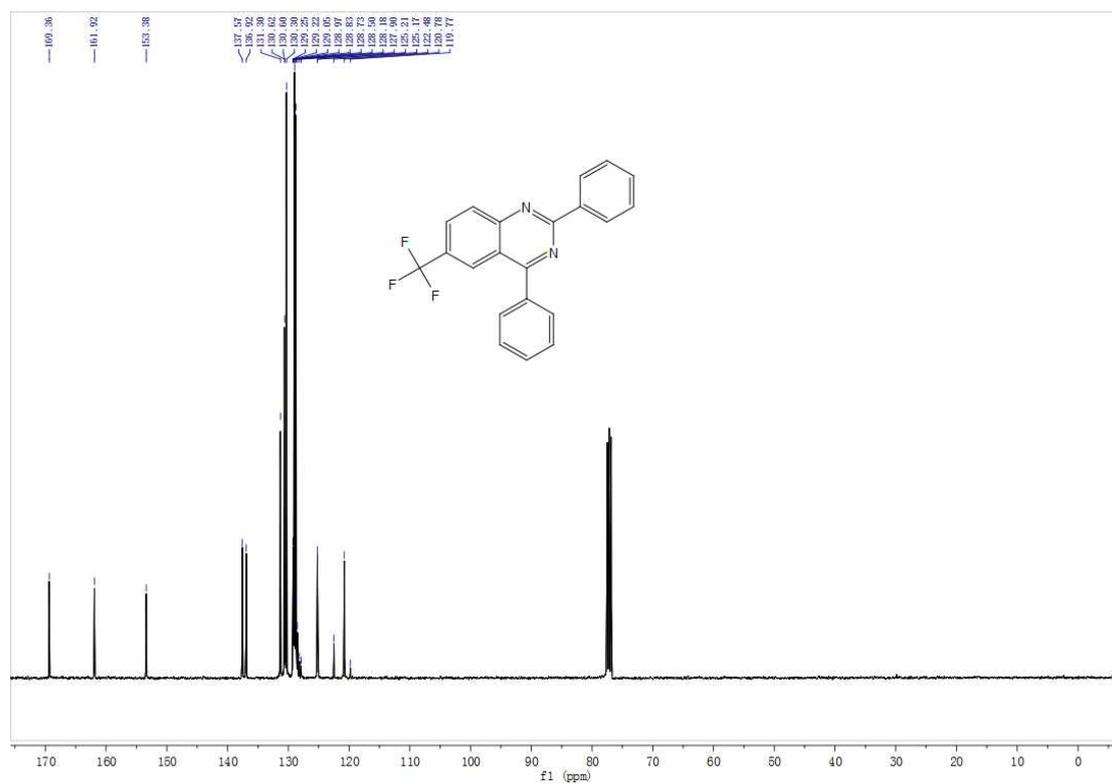
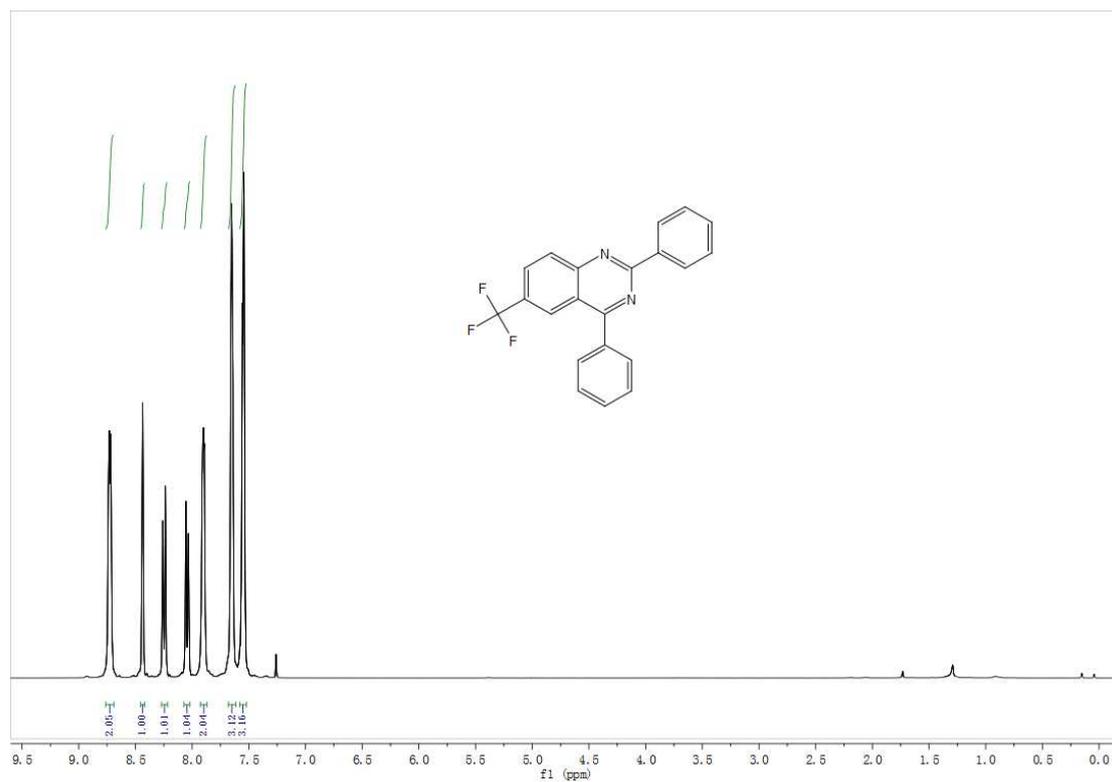


**2,4-diphenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)quinazoline (4b)**: white solid, 245 mg, yield: 70%.

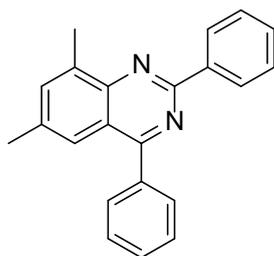
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.71 (dd,  $J = 5.5, 2.3$  Hz, 2H), 8.42 (s, 1H), 8.23 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.91 - 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.67 - 7.60 (m, 3H), 7.57 - 7.51 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  169.36, 161.92, 153.38, 137.57, 136.92, 131.30, 130.62, 130.60, 130.30 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.23 (q,  $J = 2.6$  Hz), 129.05 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.97 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.73 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.67 (q,  $J = 32.9$  Hz), 125.19 (q,  $J = 3.8$  Hz), 123.94 (q,  $J = 272.4$  Hz), 120.78.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 351.1104; found: 351.1100.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

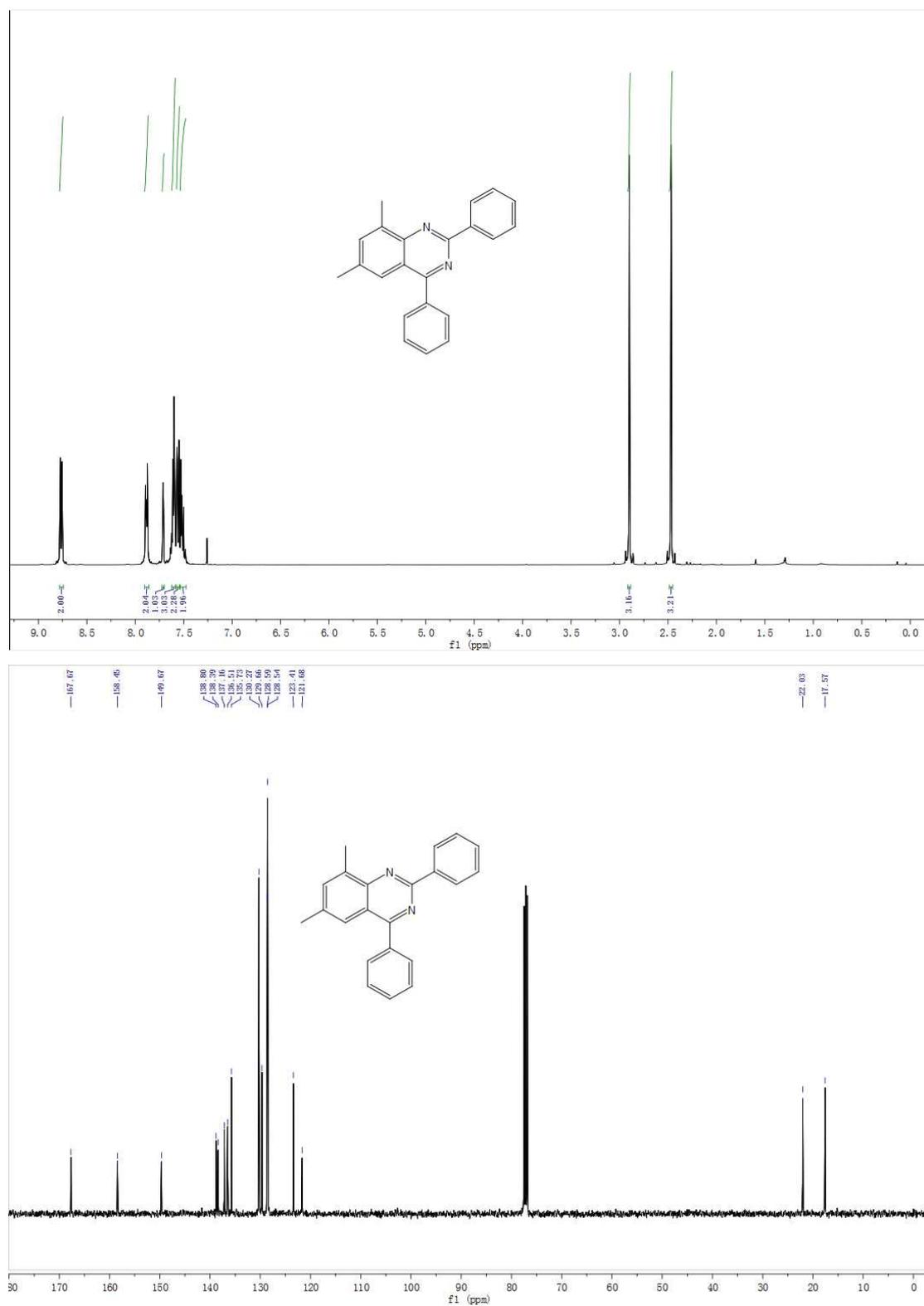


**6,8-dimethyl-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (4c):** white solid, 211 mg, yield: 68%.

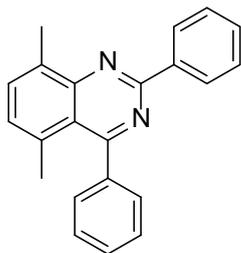
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.78 - 8.74 (m, 2H), 7.90 - 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.62 - 7.58 (m, 3H), 7.57 - 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.54 - 7.48 (m, 2H), 2.90 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.67, 158.45, 149.67, 138.80, 138.39, 137.16, 136.51, 135.73, 130.27 (CH $\times$ 3), 129.66, 128.59, 128.54 (CH $\times$ 4), 123.41, 121.68, 22.03, 17.57.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 311.1543; found: 311.1540.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

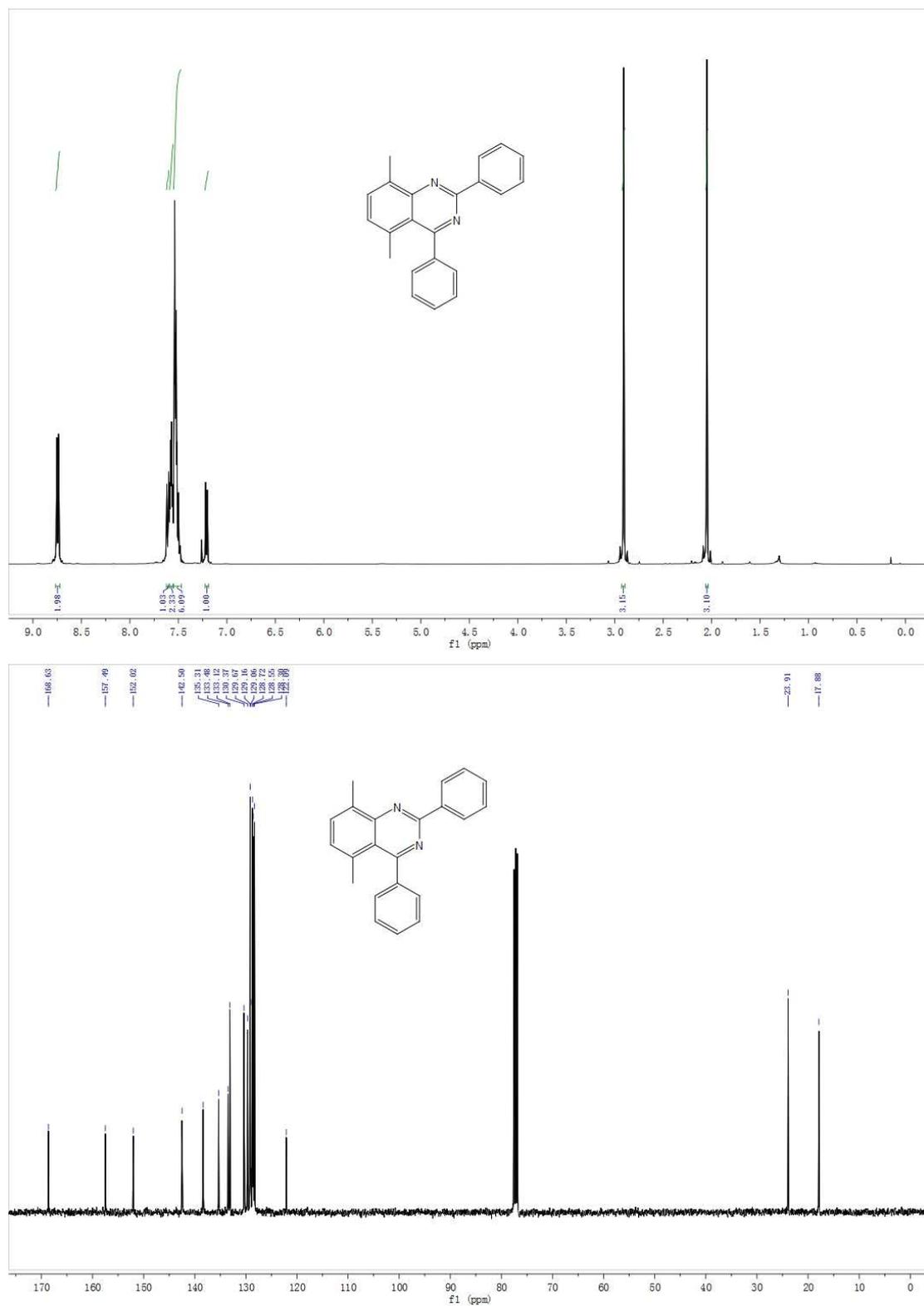


**5,8-dimethyl-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (4d):** white solid, 260 mg, yield: 84%.

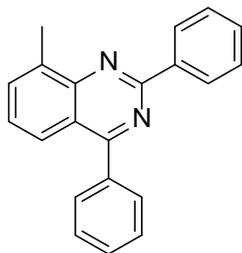
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.75 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.55 - 7.47 (m, 6H), 7.21 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  168.63, 157.49, 152.02, 142.50, 138.36, 135.31, 133.48, 133.12, 130.37, 129.67, 129.16 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.06, 128.72 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.55 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.30 (CH $\times$ 2), 122.09, 23.91, 17.88.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 311.1543; found: 311.1543.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

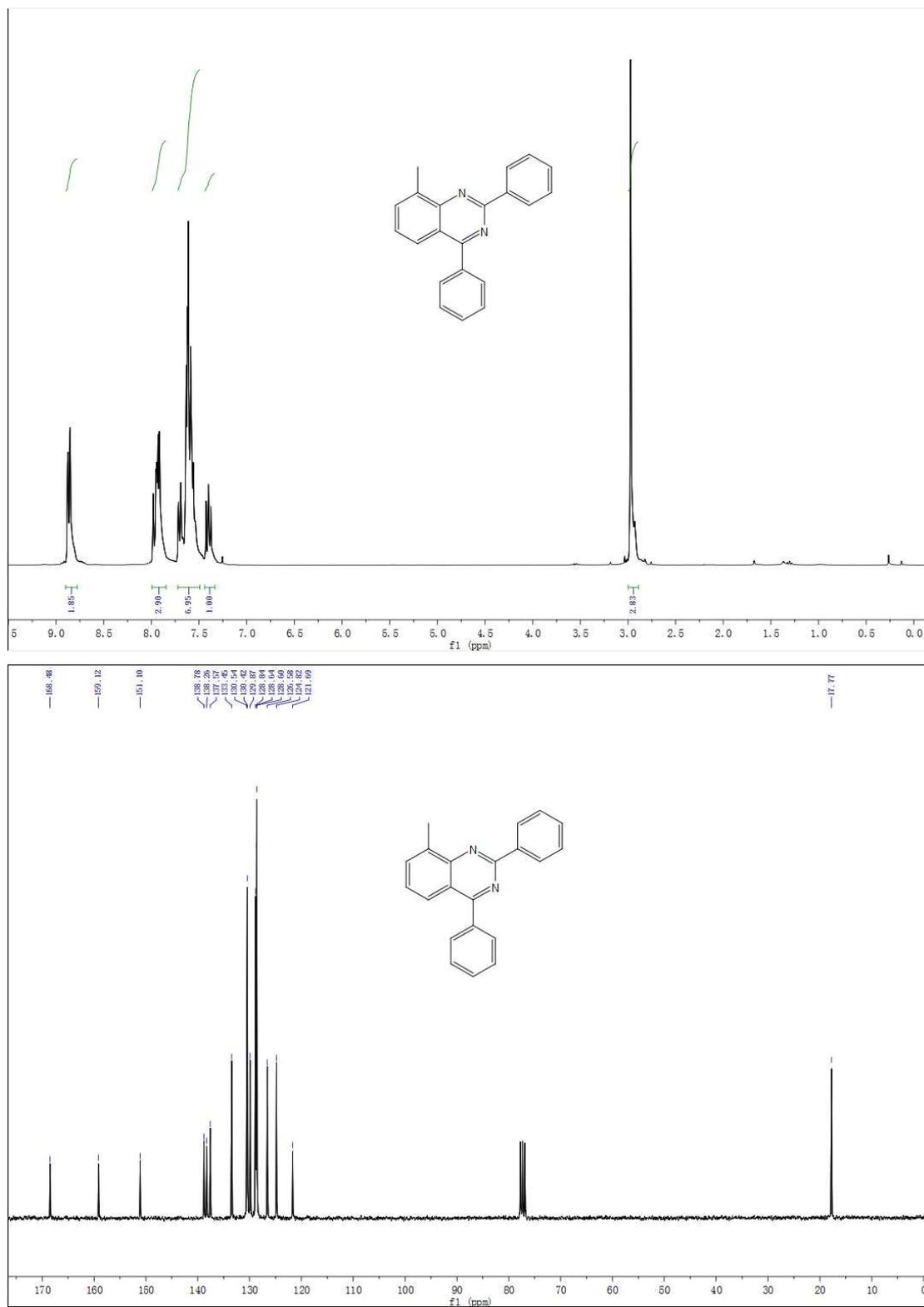


**8-methyl-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (4e):** white solid, 260 mg, yield: 88%.

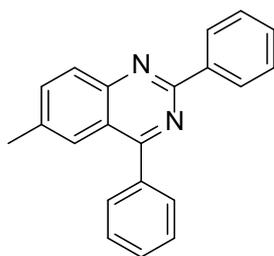
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.87 (dd,  $J = 7.3, 1.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.99 - 7.85 (m, 3H), 7.72 - 7.49 (m, 7H), 7.44 - 7.34 (m, 1H), 2.97 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  168.48, 159.12, 151.10, 138.78, 138.26, 137.57, 133.45, 130.54, 130.42 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.87, 128.84 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.64 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.60 (CH $\times$ 2), 126.58, 124.82, 121.69, 17.77.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 297.1386; found: 297.1386.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

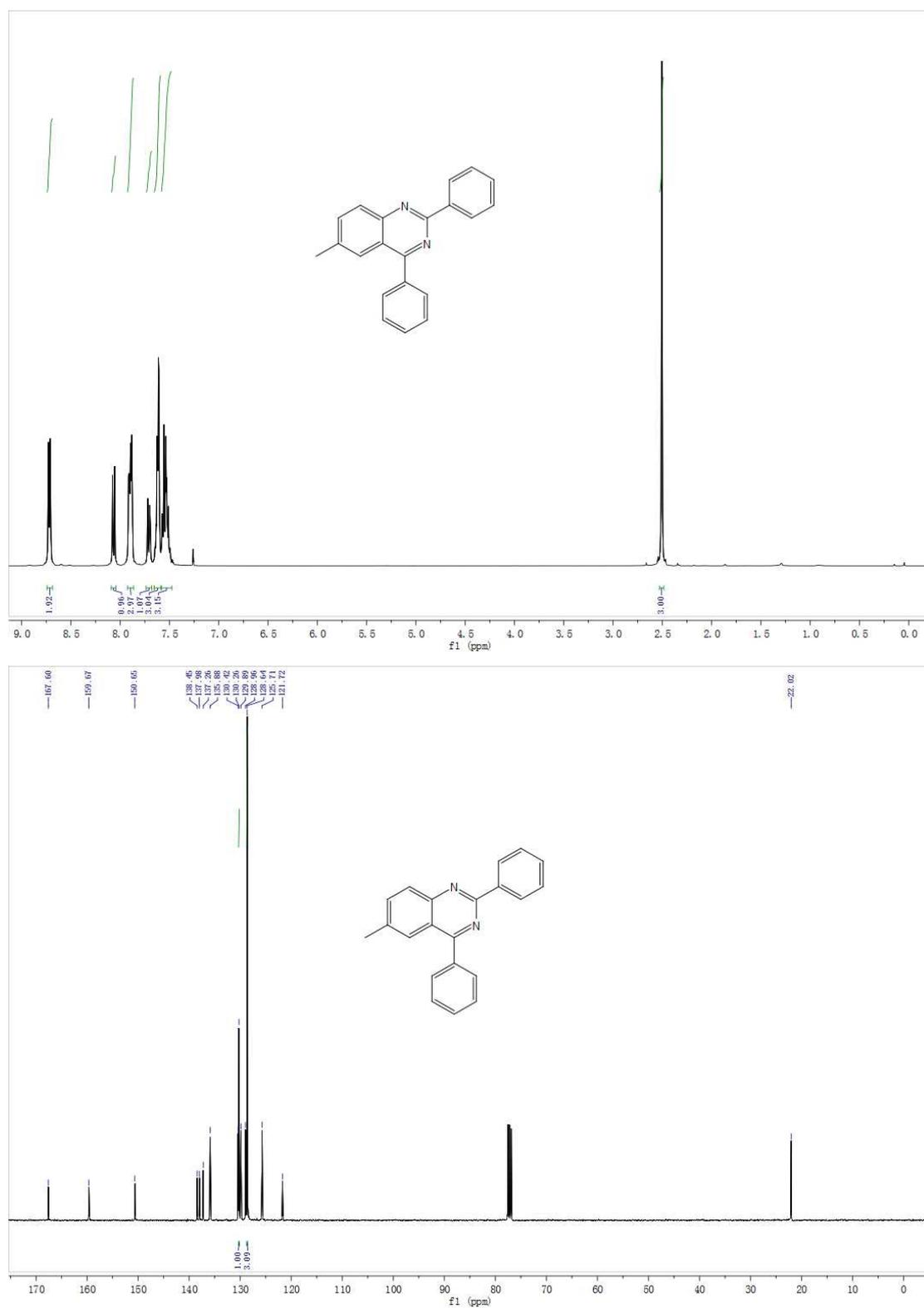


**6-methyl-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (4f)**<sup>3</sup>: white solid, 263 mg, yield: 89%.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.72 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.92 - 7.86 (m, 3H), 7.71 (dd,  $J = 8.6, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.65 - 7.59 (m, 3H), 7.58 - 7.48 (m, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.60, 159.67, 150.65, 138.45, 137.98, 137.26, 135.88, 130.42, 130.26(CH $\times$ 2), 129.89, 128.96, 128.64(CH $\times$ 6), 125.71, 121.72, 22.02.

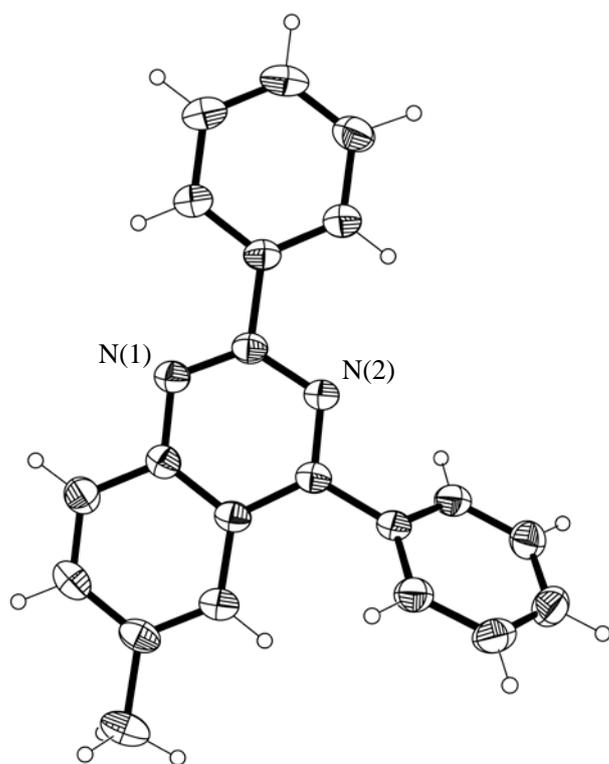
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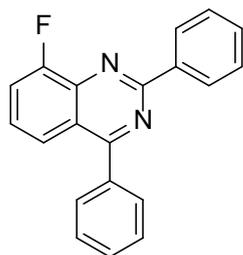


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

**X-ray crystal structure analysis of compound 4f:** Single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of its solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O. Formula:

C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, *M* = 296.3, colourless crystal, 0.30 x 0.40 x 0.40 mm, *a* = 7.4635(11), *b* = 10.487(3), *c* = 11.065(2) Å,  $\alpha$  = 71.601(18)°,  $\beta$  = 88.482(15)°,  $\gamma$  = 72.077(13)°, *V* = 779.5(3) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $\rho_{\text{calc}}$  = 1.263 g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\mu$  = 0.075 mm<sup>-1</sup>, *Z* = 2, triclinic, space group *P* $\bar{1}$ (No. 2),  $\lambda$  = 0.71073 Å, *T* = 295 K. Theta (max) = 25.1°, *R* (reflections) = 0.0571( 1809), *wR*2 (reflections) = 0.1211(2725).



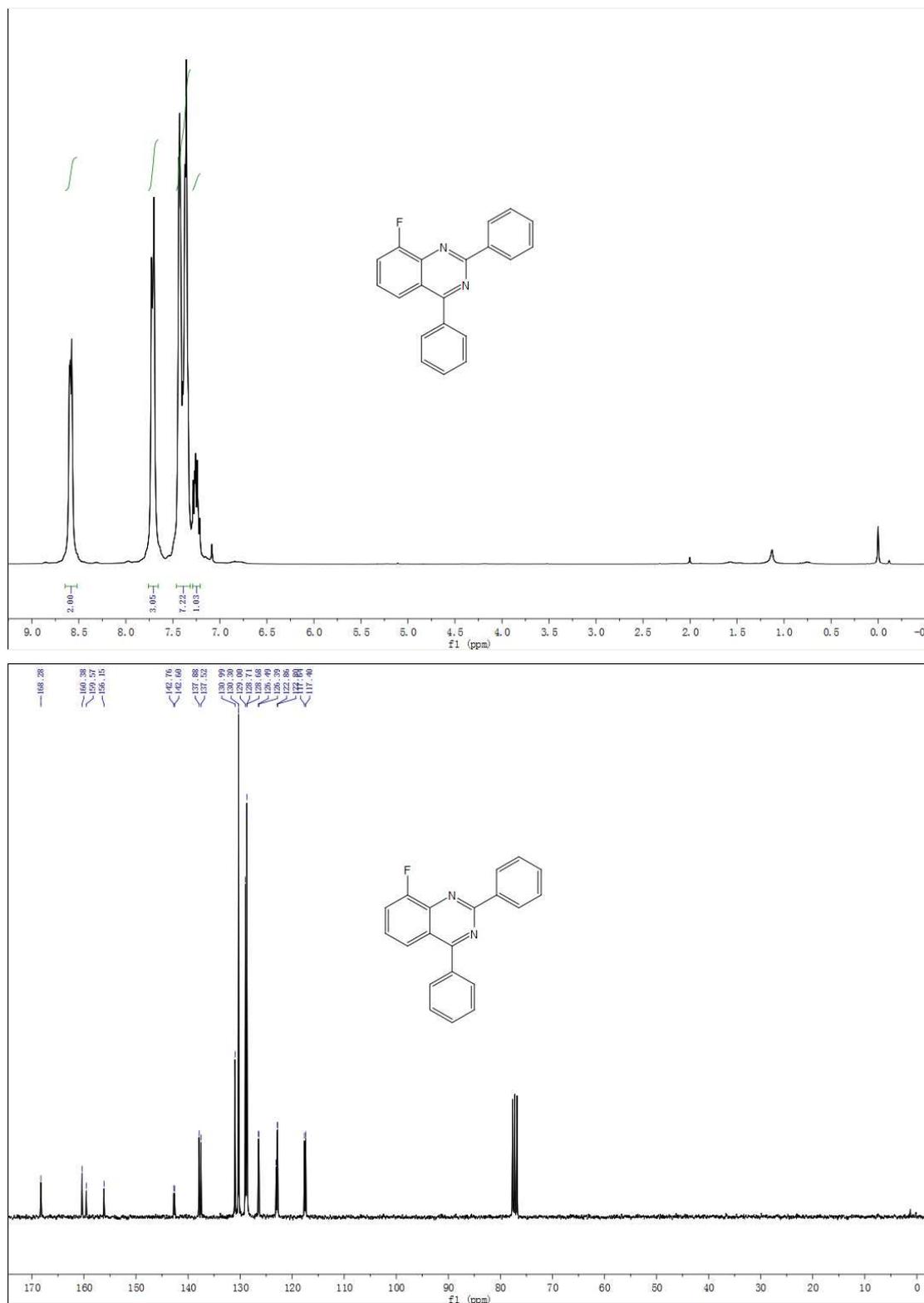


**8-fluoro-2,4-diphenylquinazoline** (4g): white solid, 282 mg, yield: 94%

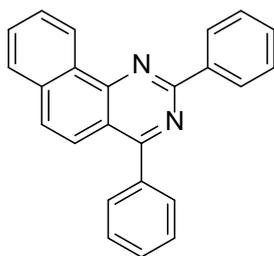
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.64 - 8.52 (m, 2H), 7.76 - 7.66 (m, 3H), 7.46 - 7.31 (m, 7H), 7.29 - 7.21 (m, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  168.28, 160.38, 157.86 (d,  $J = 258.5$  Hz), 142.68 (d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz), 137.88, 137.52, 130.99, 130.30 (CH $\times$ 3), 129.00 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.71 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.68 (CH $\times$ 2), 126.44 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 123.10, 122.83 (d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 117.52 (d,  $J = 18.3$  Hz).

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{13}\text{FN}_2$  [ $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 301.1136; found: 301.1136.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

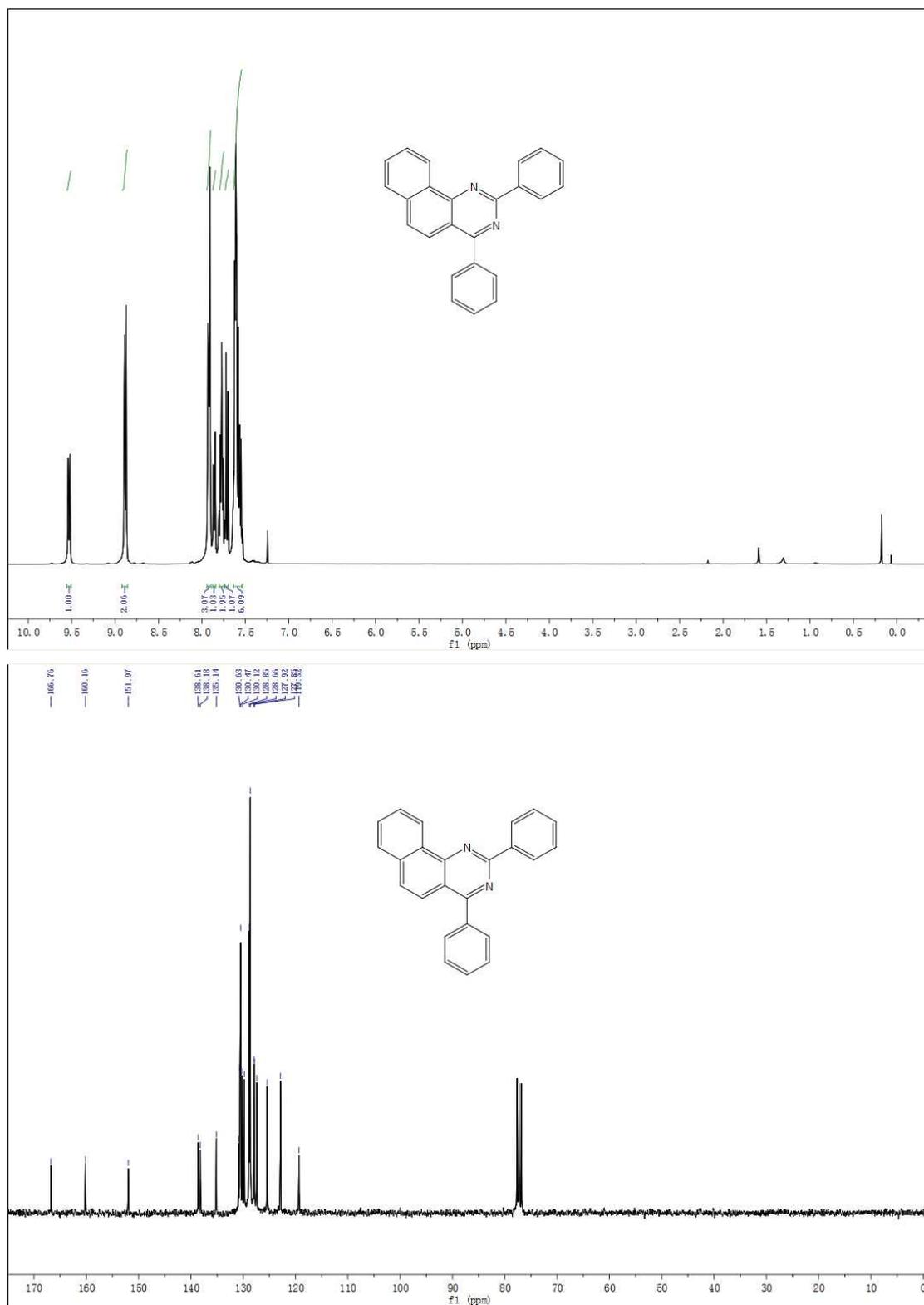


**2,4-diphenylbenzo[h]quinazoline (4h)<sup>4</sup>**: white solid, 219 mg, yield: 66%.

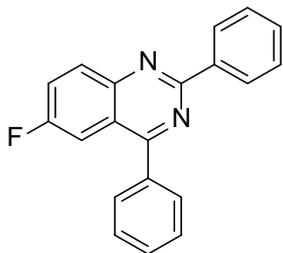
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D) δ 9.56 - 9.50 (m, 1H), 8.92 - 8.86 (m, 2H), 7.94 - 7.90 (m, 3H), 7.88 - 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.80 - 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.73 - 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.64 - 7.54 (m, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D) δ 166.76, 160.16, 151.97, 138.61, 138.18, 135.14, 130.83, 130.63, 130.47 (CH×2), 130.12, 129.79, 128.85 (CH×2), 128.66 (CH×4), 127.92, 127.85, 127.40, 125.43, 122.88, 119.32.

HRMS(ESI): m/z calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 333.1386; found: 333.1386.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

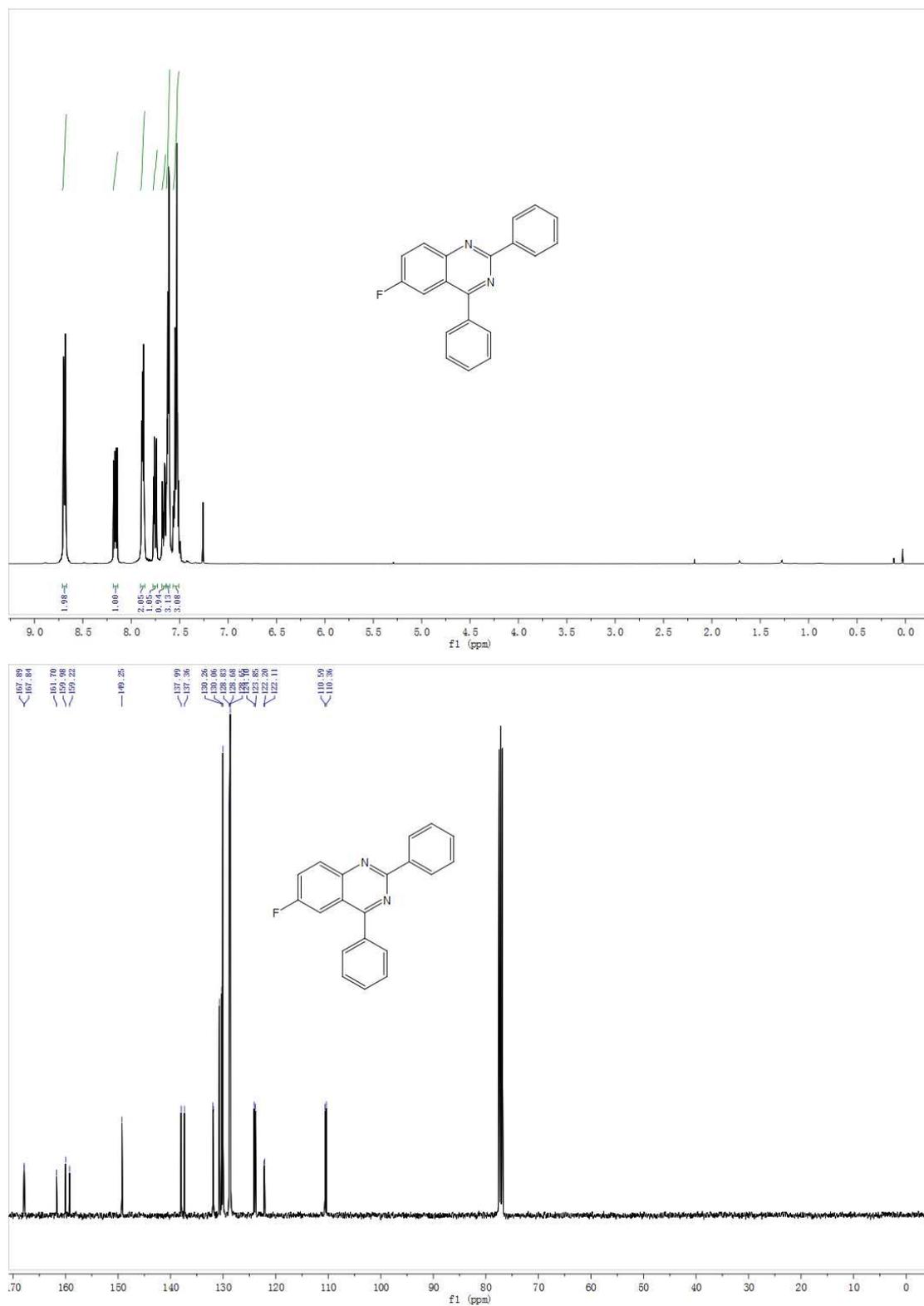


**8-fluoro-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (41):** white solid, 270 mg, yield: 90%.

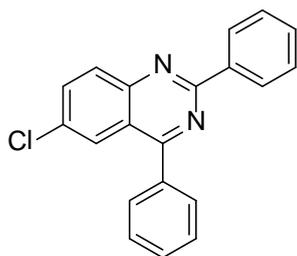
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.69 (m, 2H), 8.16 (dd,  $J = 9.2, 5.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.91 - 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.75 (dd,  $J = 9.2, 2.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.68 - 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.64 - 7.60 (m, 3H), 7.57 - 7.51 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.87 (d,  $J = 5.5$  Hz), 161.70, 159.98, 159.22, 149.25, 137.68 (d,  $J = 63.3$  Hz), 131.89 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz), 130.70, 130.26, 130.06(CH $\times$ 2), 128.83(CH $\times$ 2), 128.68(CH $\times$ 2), 128.65(CH $\times$ 2), 123.97 (d,  $J = 25.8$  Hz), 122.16 (d,  $J = 9.2$  Hz), 110.48 (d,  $J = 23.1$  Hz).

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{13}\text{FN}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 301.1136; found: 301.1130.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

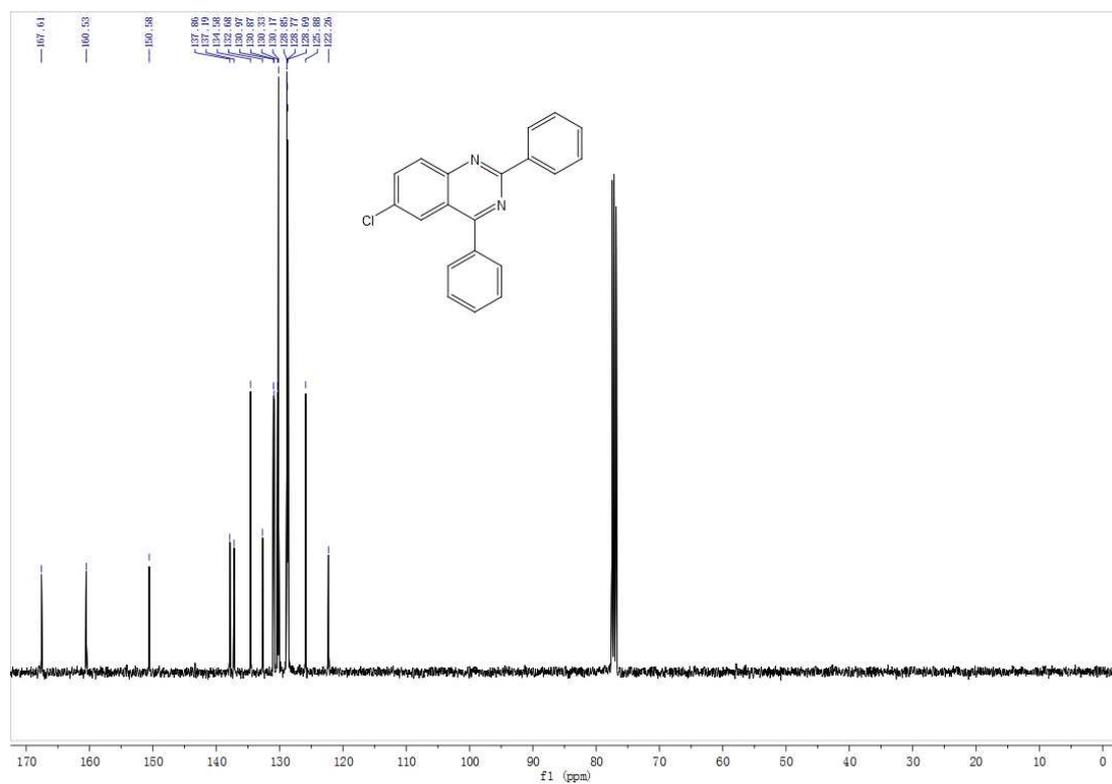


**6-chloro-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (4j)**<sup>5</sup>: white solid, 240 mg, yield: 76%.

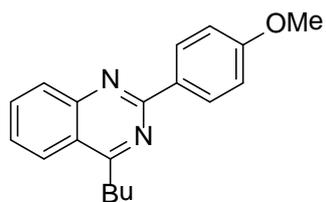
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.66 (dd,  $J = 5.5, 2.5$  Hz, 2H), 8.07 (dd,  $J = 5.5, 3.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.85 (dd,  $J = 6.4, 2.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.78 (dd,  $J = 9.0, 2.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.64 - 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.48 - 7.55 (m, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.61, 160.53, 150.58, 137.86, 137.19, 134.58, 132.68, 130.97, 130.87, 130.33, 130.17 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.85 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.77 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.69 (CH $\times$ 2), 125.88, 122.26.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 317.0840; found: 317.0837.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

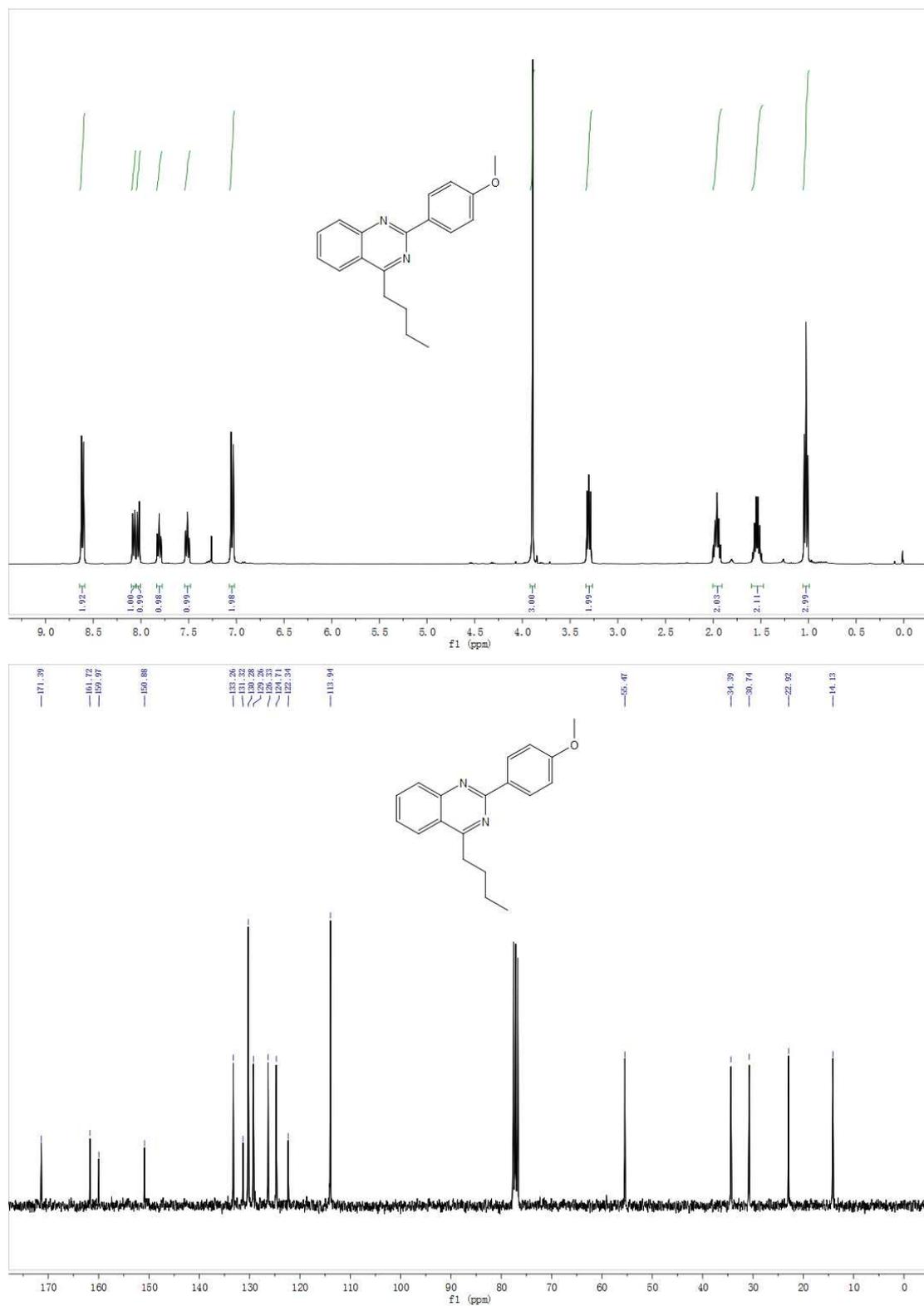


**4-butyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (5a):** white solid, 202 mg, yield: 69%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.61 (d,  $J$  = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 - 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.54 - 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.04 (d,  $J$  = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.30 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.00 - 1.91 (m, 2H), 1.60 - 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.03 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  171.39, 161.72, 159.97, 150.88, 133.26, 131.32, 130.28 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.26, 126.33, 124.71, 122.34, 113.94 (CH $\times$ 2), 55.47, 34.39, 30.74, 22.92, 14.13.

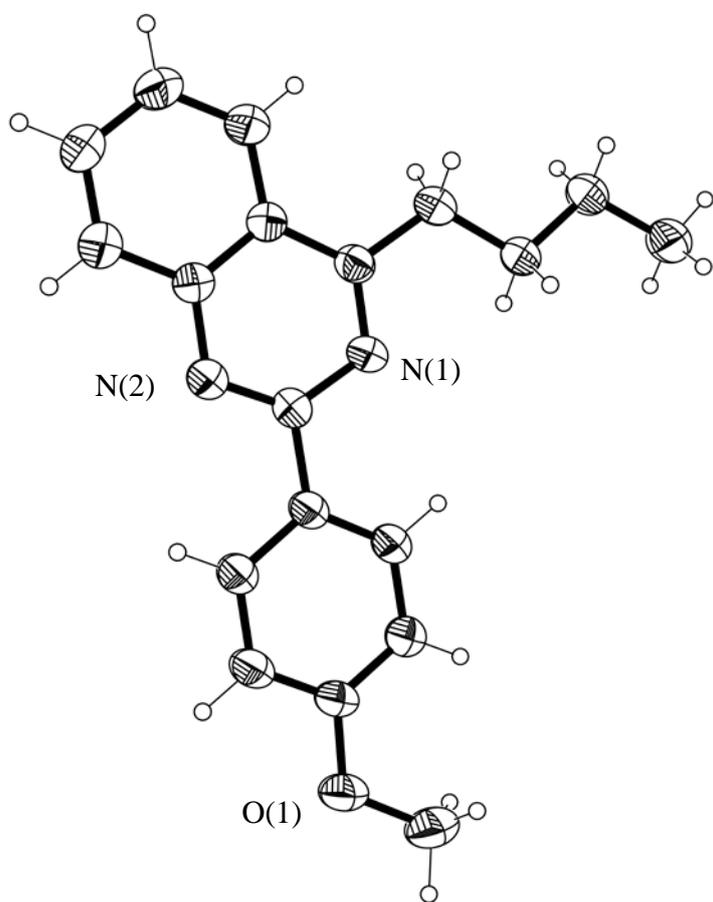
HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 293.1648; found: 293.1645.

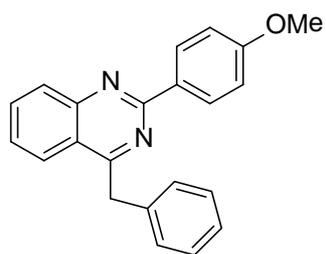


<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

**X-ray crystal structure analysis of compound 5a:** Single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of its solution in Et<sub>2</sub>O. Formula:

C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O, *M* = 292.37, colourless crystal, 0.20 x 0.40 x 0.60 mm, *a* = 7.482(2), *b* = 9.231(3), *c* = 12.345(3) Å,  $\alpha$  = 71.15(3)°,  $\beta$  = 75.16(2)°,  $\gamma$  = 86.82(3)°, *V* = 779.7(4) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $\rho_{\text{calc}}$  = 1.245 gcm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\mu$  = 0.078 mm<sup>-1</sup>, *Z* = 2, triclinic, space group *P* $\bar{1}$  (No. 2),  $\lambda$  = 0.71073 Å, *T* = 295 K. Theta (max) = 25.5°, *R* (reflections) = 0.0599(1462), *wR*<sub>2</sub> (reflections) = 0.1339(2871).



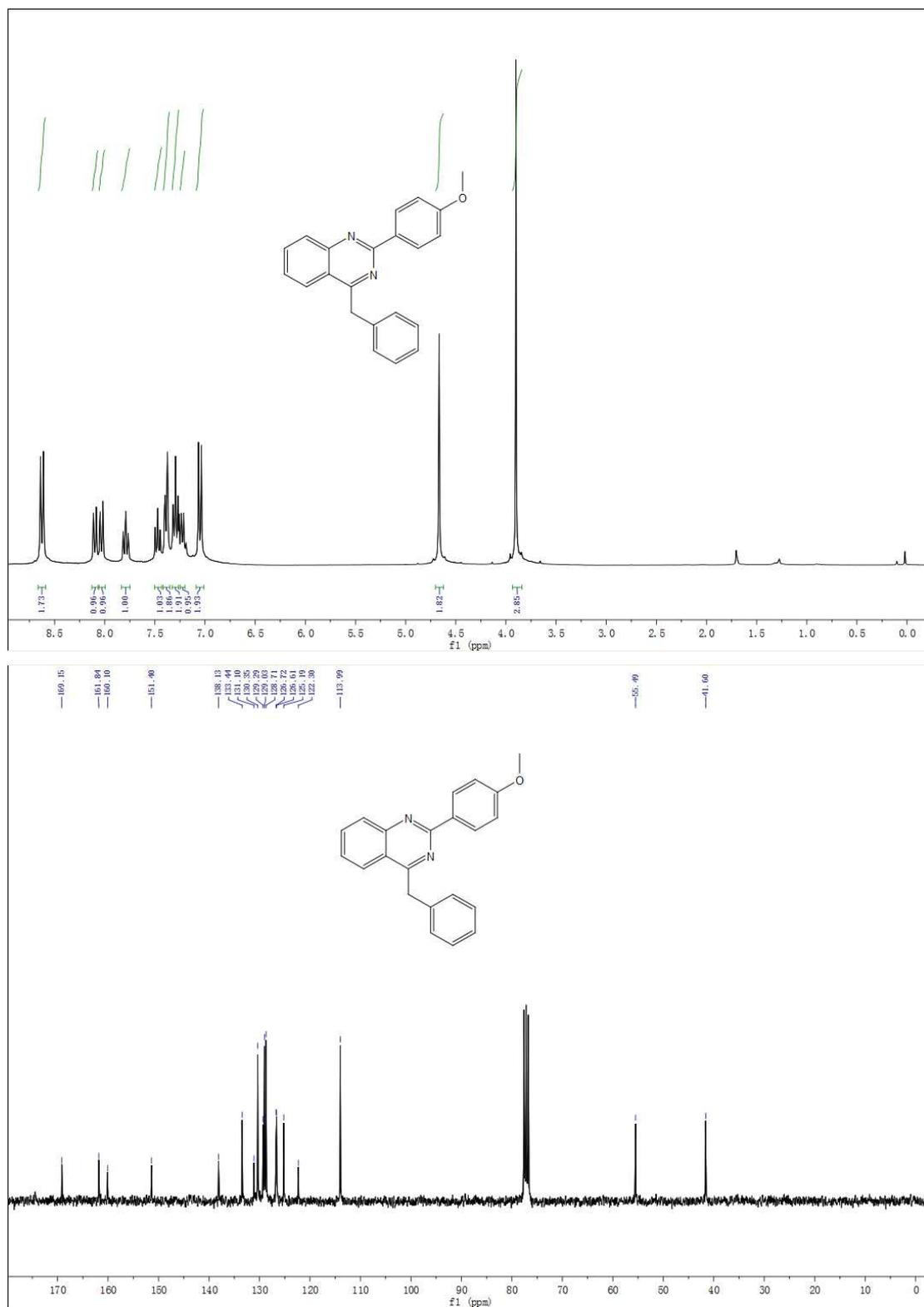


**4-benzyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (5b):** white solid, 162 mg, yield: 50%.

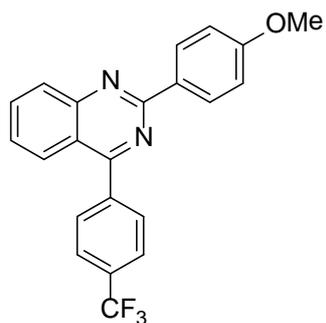
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.63 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 8.10 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.83 - 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.50 - 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.39 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  169.15, 161.84, 160.10, 151.40, 138.13, 133.44, 131.10, 130.35(CH $\times$ 2), 129.29, 129.03(CH $\times$ 2), 128.71(CH $\times$ 2), 126.72, 126.61, 125.19, 122.30, 113.99(CH $\times$ 2), 55.49, 41.60.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 327.1492; found: 327.1490.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

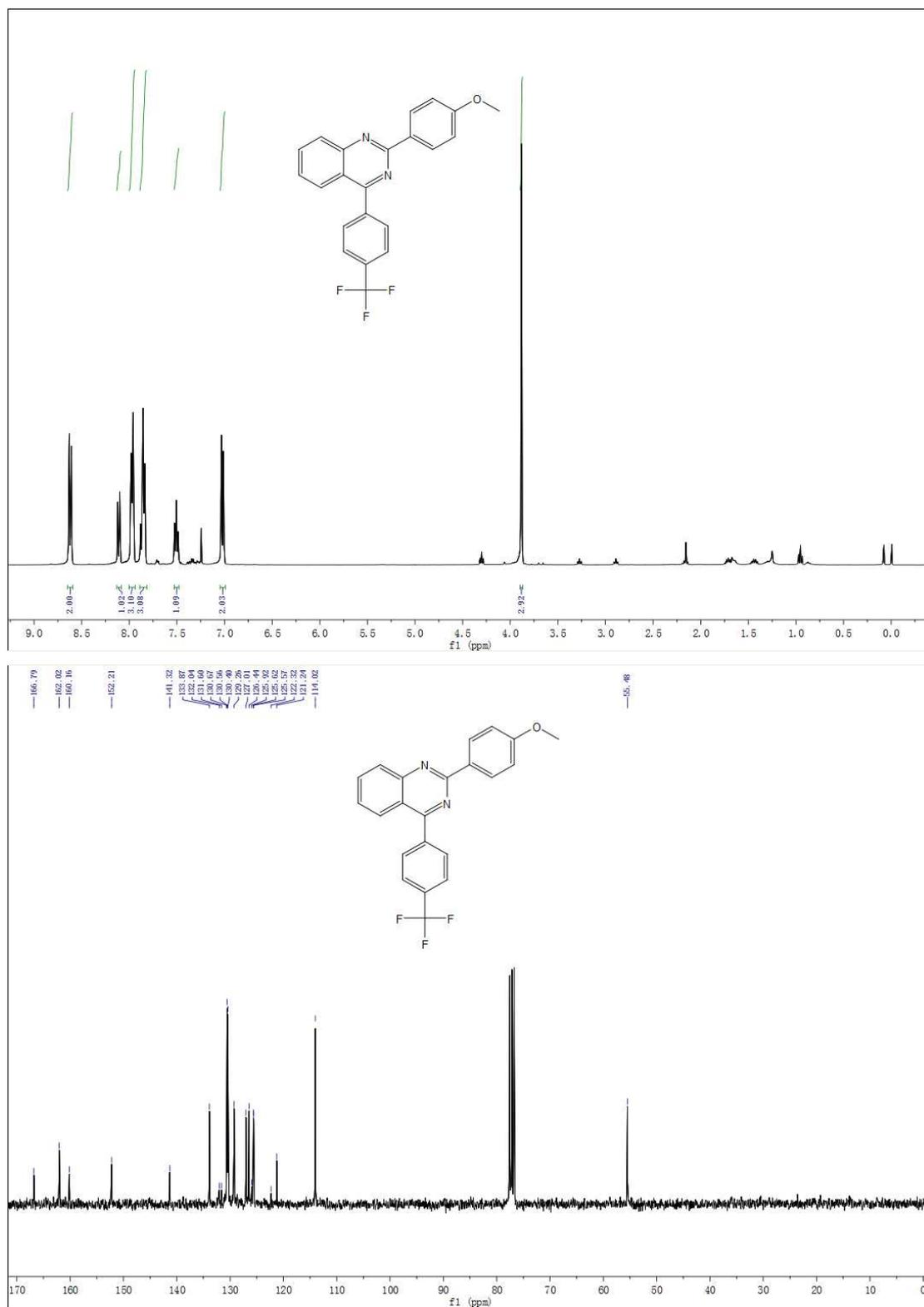


**2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinazoline (5c):** white solid, 270 mg, yield: 72%.

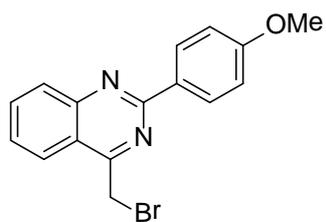
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.65 - 8.59 (m, 2H), 8.11 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H), 7.86 (t,  $J = 9.1$  Hz, 3H), 7.51 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.05 - 6.99 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  166.79, 162.02, 160.16, 152.21, 141.32, 133.87, 131.82 (q,  $J = 32.8$  Hz), 130.67, 130.56(CH $\times$ 2), 130.40 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.26, 127.01, 126.44, 125.59 (q,  $J = 3.6$  Hz, CH $\times$ 2), 124.12 (q,  $J = 272.3$  Hz), 121.24, 114.02 (CH $\times$ 2), 55.48.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 381.1209; found: 381.1210.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

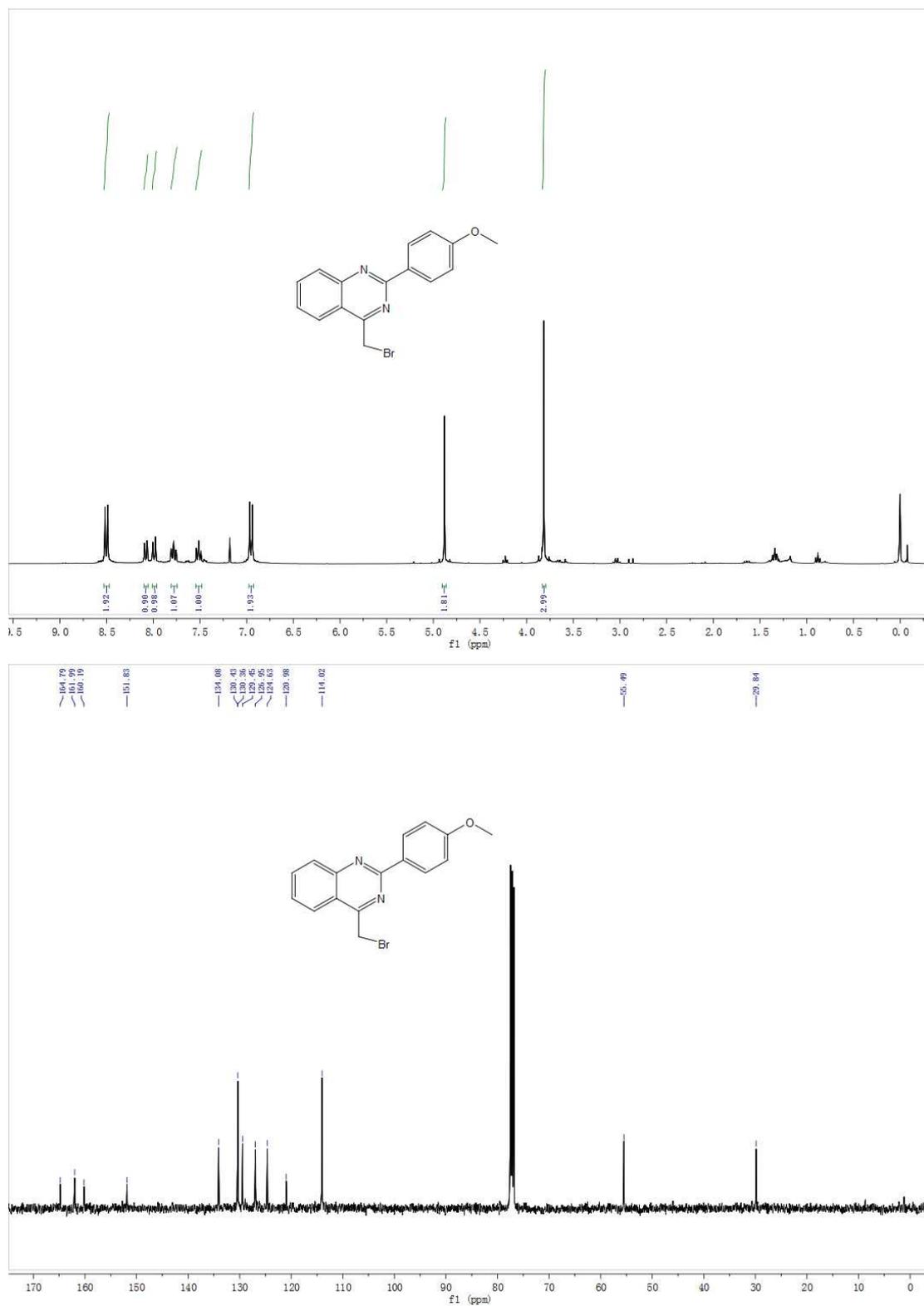


**4-(bromomethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (5d):** yellow solid, 179 mg, yield: 55%.

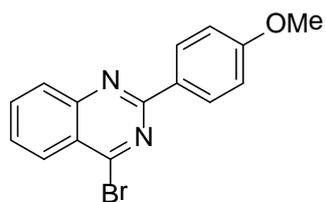
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.53 - 8.47 (m, 2H), 8.08 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81 - 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.55 - 7.48 (m, 1H), 6.97 - 6.92 (m, 2H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  164.79, 161.99, 160.19, 151.83, 134.08, 130.43, 130.36 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.45, 126.95, 124.63, 120.98, 114.02 (CH $\times$ 2), 55.49, 29.84.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 329.0284; found: 329.0288.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

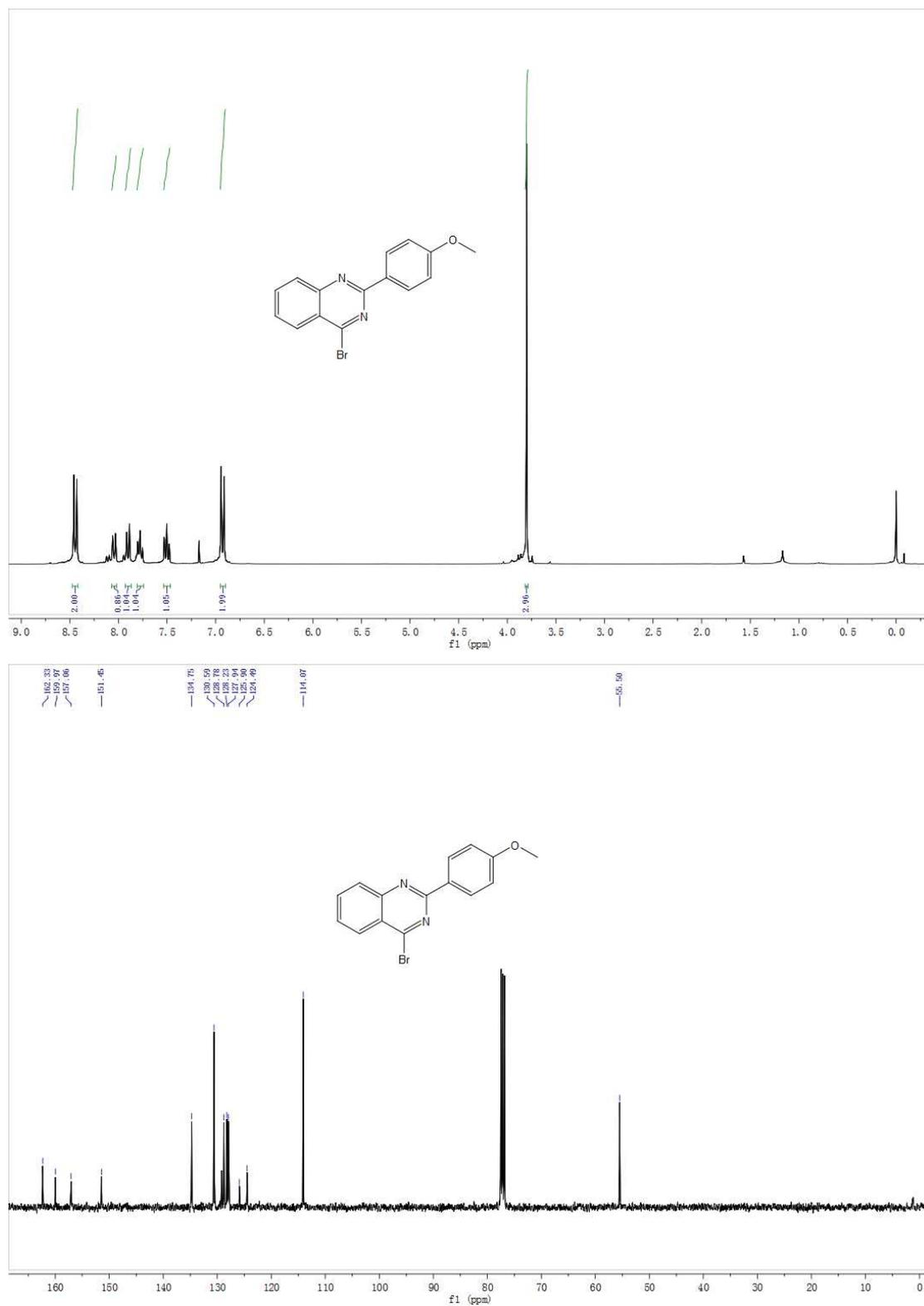


**4-bromo-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (5e):** white solid, 203 mg, yield: 65%.

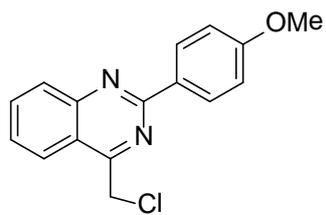
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.47 - 8.42 (m, 2H), 8.04 (dd,  $J$  = 8.3, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 - 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.47 (m, 1H), 6.92 (dd,  $J$  = 9.4, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  162.33, 159.97, 157.06, 151.45, 134.75, 130.59 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.78, 128.23, 127.94, 125.90, 124.49, 114.07 (CH $\times$ 2), 55.50.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 315.0128; found: 315.0127.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

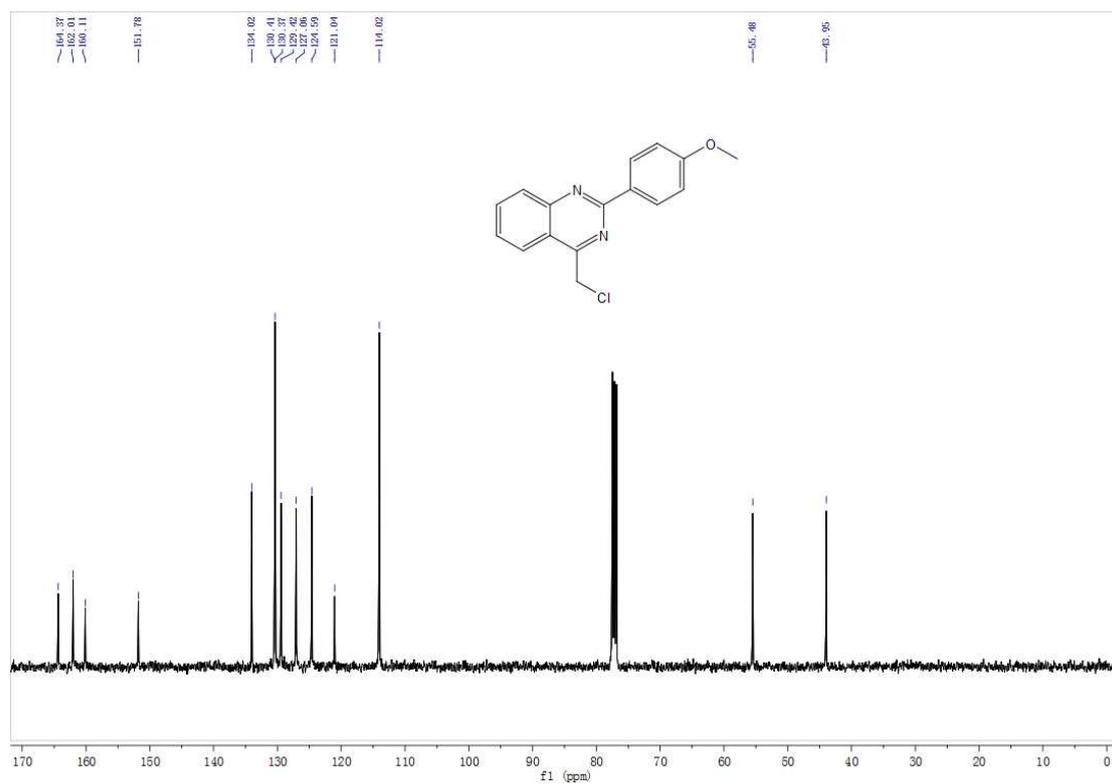
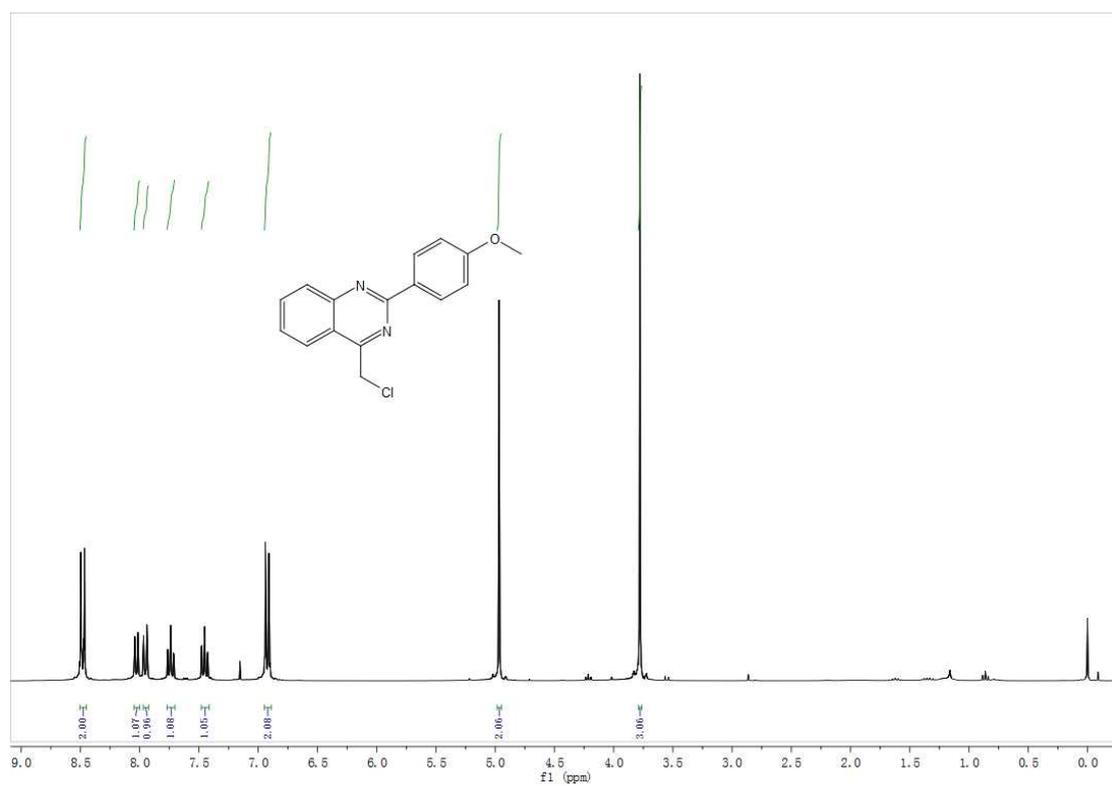


**4-(chloromethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (5f):** yellow solid, 162 mg, yield: 57%.

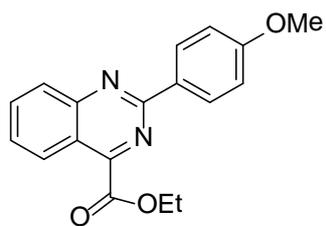
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.50 - 8.45 (m, 2H), 8.03 (d,  $J$  = 8.3Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77 - 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.41 (m, 1H), 6.95 - 6.89 (m, 2H), 4.97 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  164.37, 162.01, 160.11, 151.78, 134.02, 130.41, 130.37 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.42, 127.06, 124.59, 121.04, 114.02 (CH $\times$ 2), 55.48, 43.95.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 285.0789; found: 285.0792.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

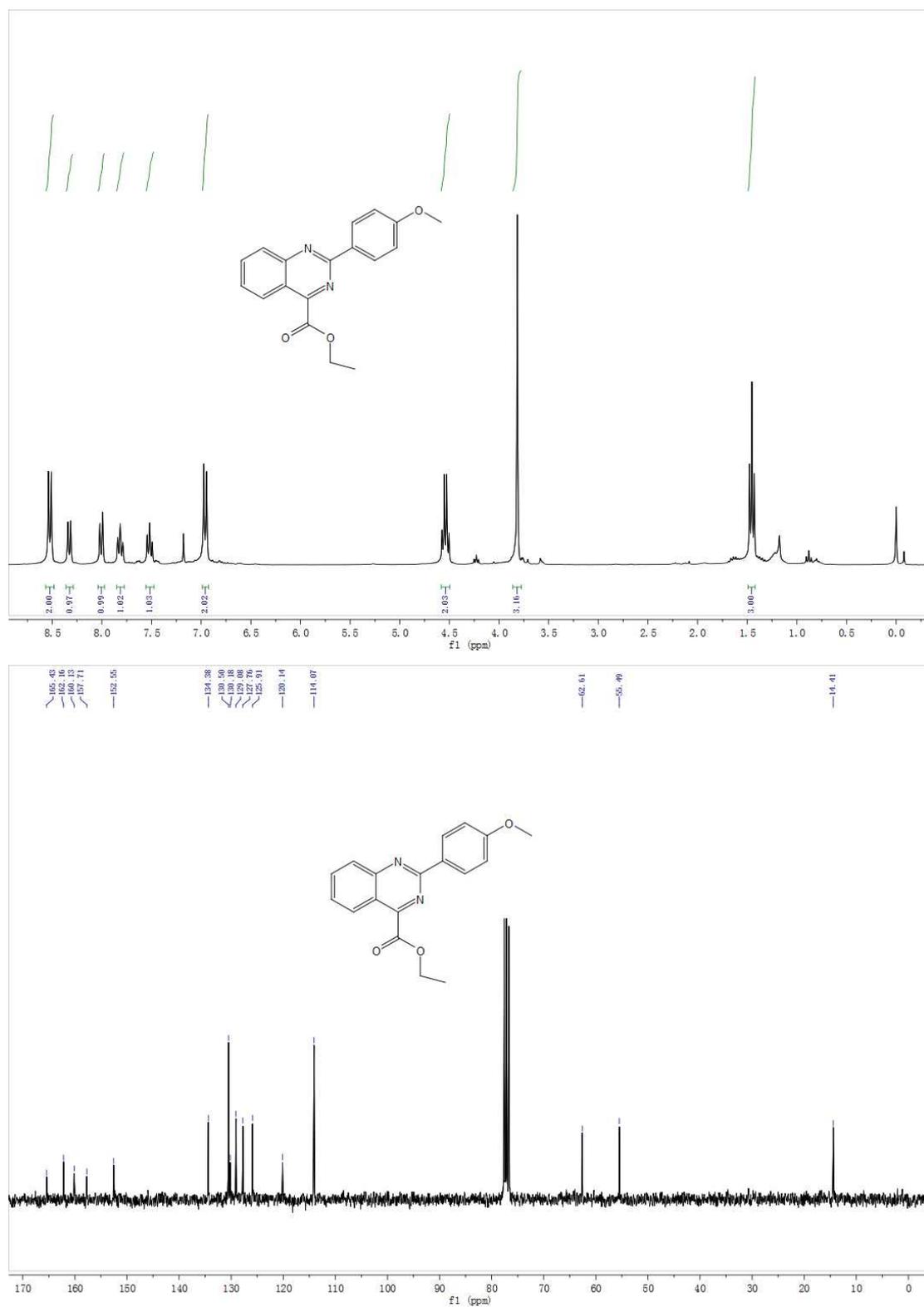


**Ethyl 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline-4-carboxylate** (5g): white solid, 185 mg, yield: 60%.

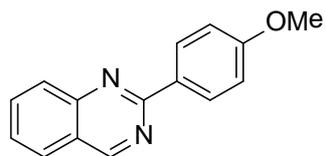
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.52 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 8.33 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.54 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 1.45 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  165.43, 162.16, 160.13, 157.71, 152.55, 134.38, 130.50 (CH $\times$ 2), 130.18, 129.08, 127.76, 125.91, 120.14, 114.07 (CH $\times$ 2), 62.61, 55.49, 14.41.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$  [M+H] $^+$ : 309.1234; found: 309.1235.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

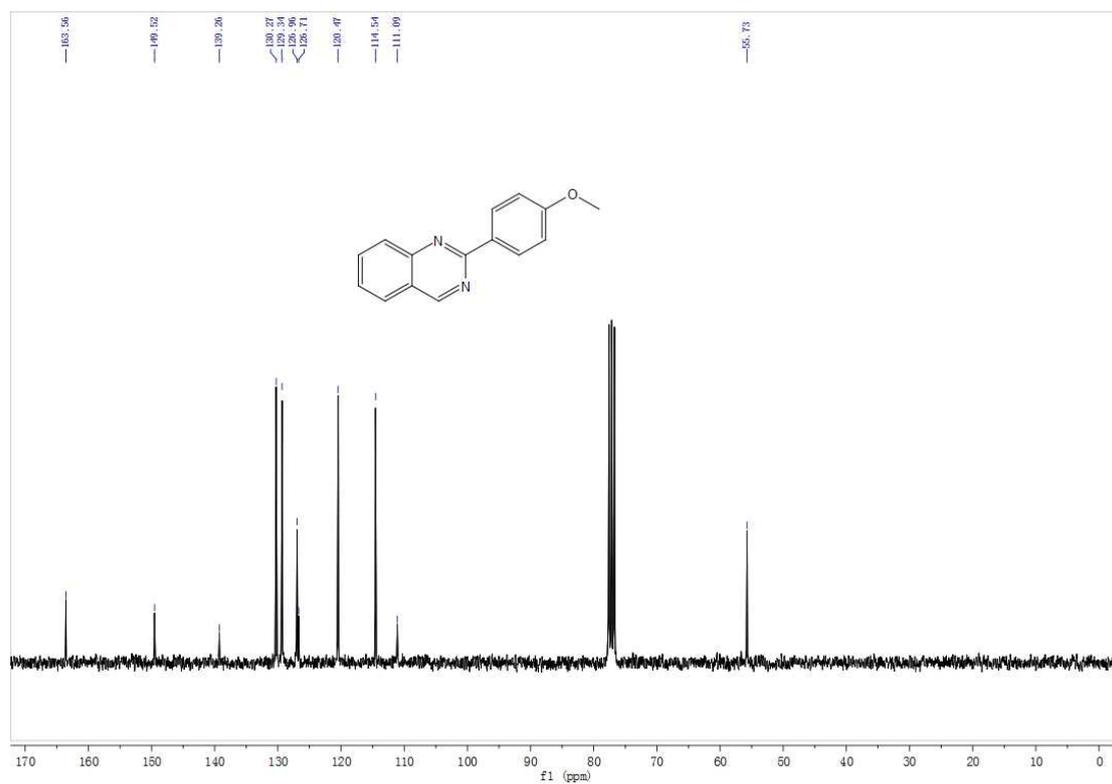
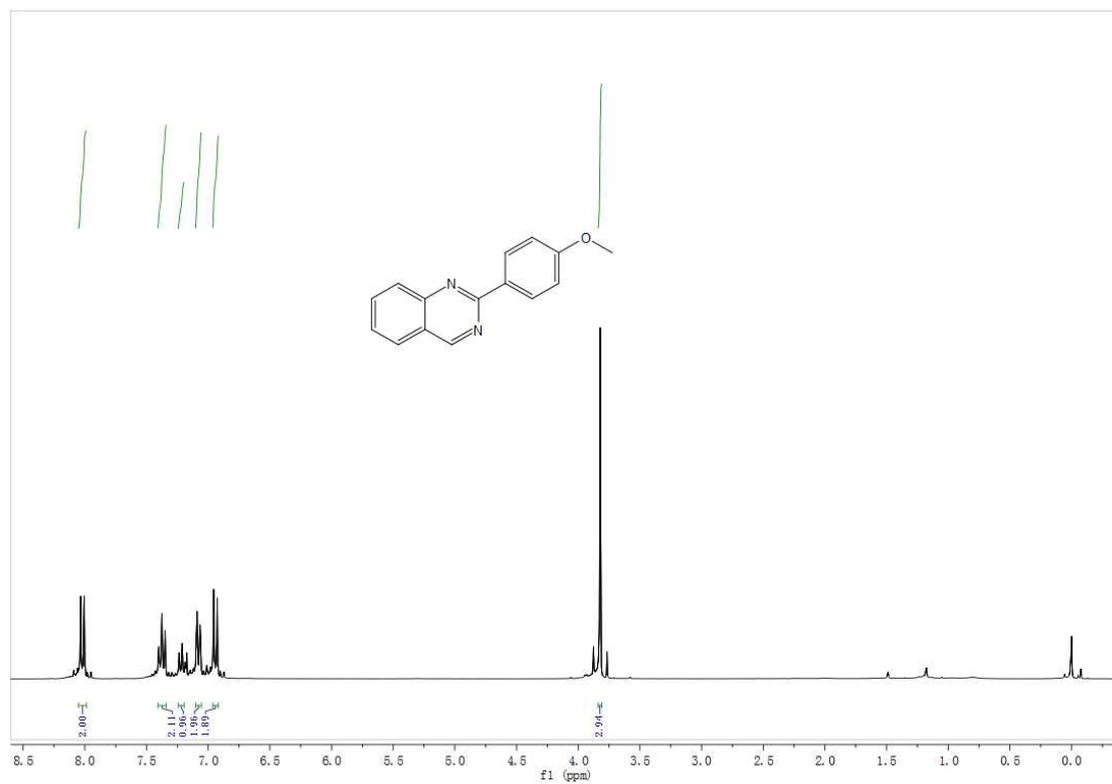


**2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazoline (5h)**<sup>6</sup>: yellow solid, 161 mg, yield: 67%.

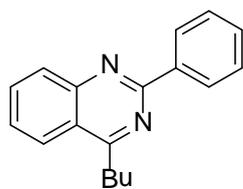
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.05 - 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.41 - 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 - 1.05 (m, 2H), 6.96 - 6.92 (m, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  163.56, 149.52, 139.26, 130.27 (CH $\times$ 2), 129.34 (CH $\times$ 2), 126.96, 126.71, 120.47 (CH $\times$ 2), 114.54 (CH $\times$ 2), 111.09, 55.73.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 237.1022; found: 237.1015.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

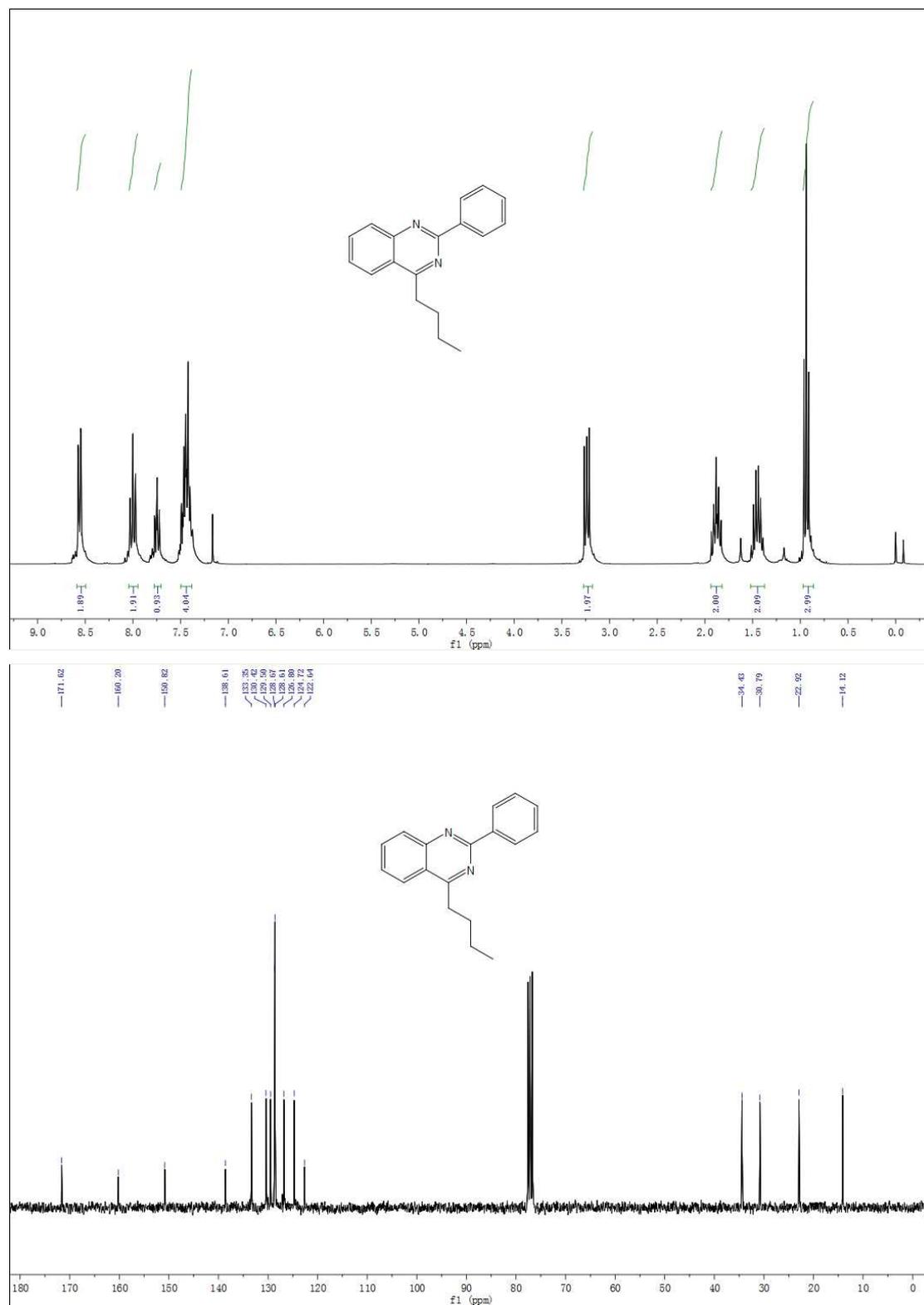


**4-butyl-2-phenylquinazoline (6a)**<sup>2(a,b,c),7</sup>: white solid, 160 mg, yield: 61%.

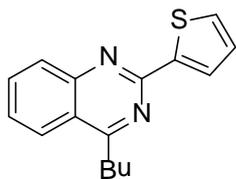
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.59 - 8.49 (m, 2H), 8.04 - 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.77 - 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.50 - 7.38 (m, 4H), 3.24 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 1.94 - 1.82 (m, 2H), 1.52 - 1.37 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  171.62, 160.20, 150.82, 138.61, 133.35, 130.42, 129.50, 128.67 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.61 (CH $\times$ 2), 126.80, 124.72, 122.64, 34.43, 30.79, 22.92, 14.12.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 263.1543; found: 263.1525.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

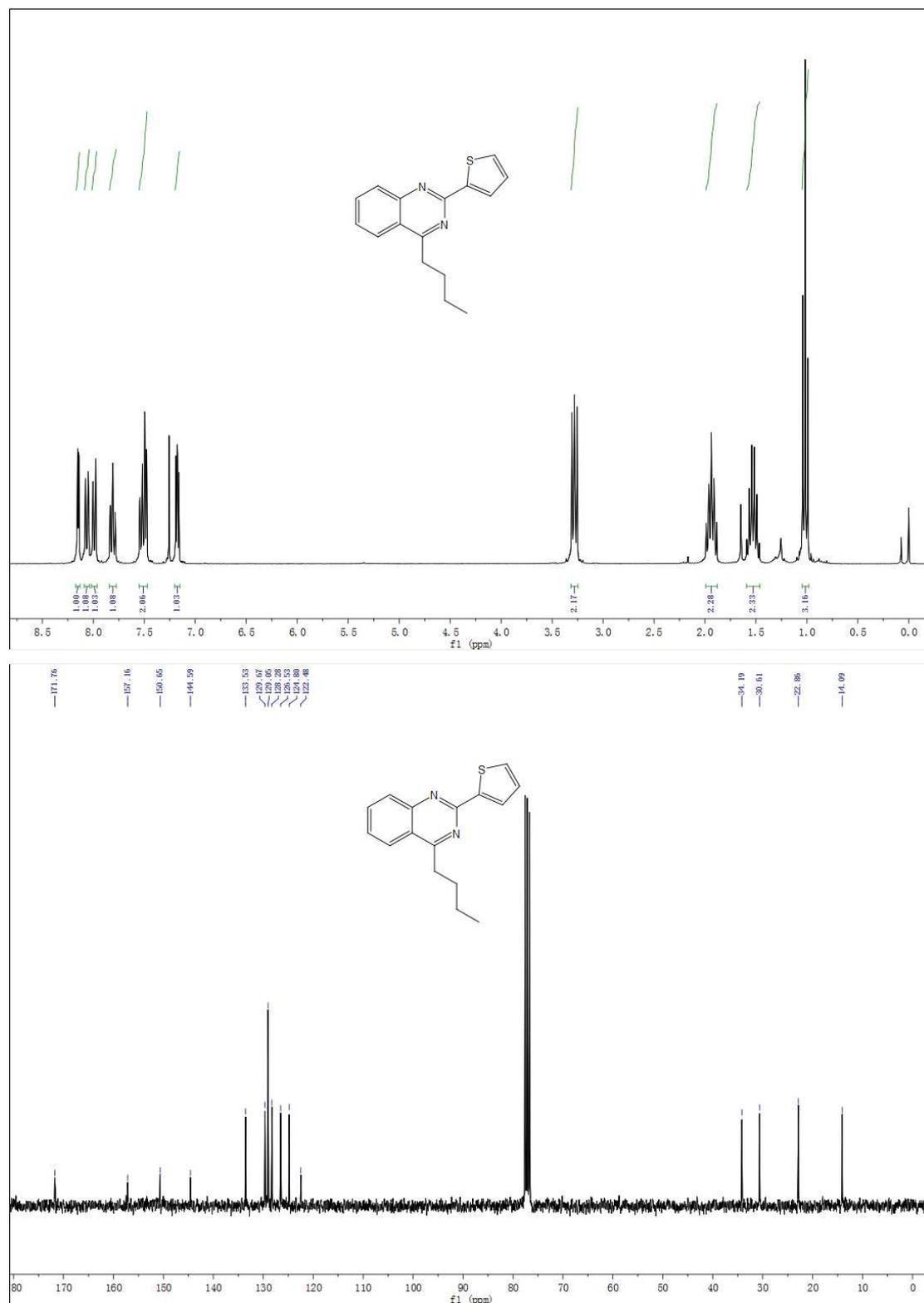


**4-butyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)quinazoline (6b):** white solid, 169 mg, yield: 63%.

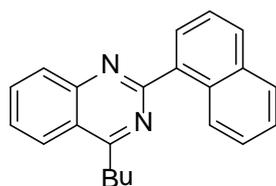
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.15 (dd,  $J = 3.7, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.06 (dd,  $J = 8.2, 0.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.81 (ddd,  $J = 8.3, 6.9, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.55 - 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.18 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 3.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.28 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 1.99 - 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.59 - 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.02 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  171.76, 157.16, 150.65, 144.59, 133.53, 129.67, 129.05 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.28, 126.53, 124.80, 122.48, 34.19, 30.61, 22.86, 14.09.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 269.1107; found: 269.1104.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

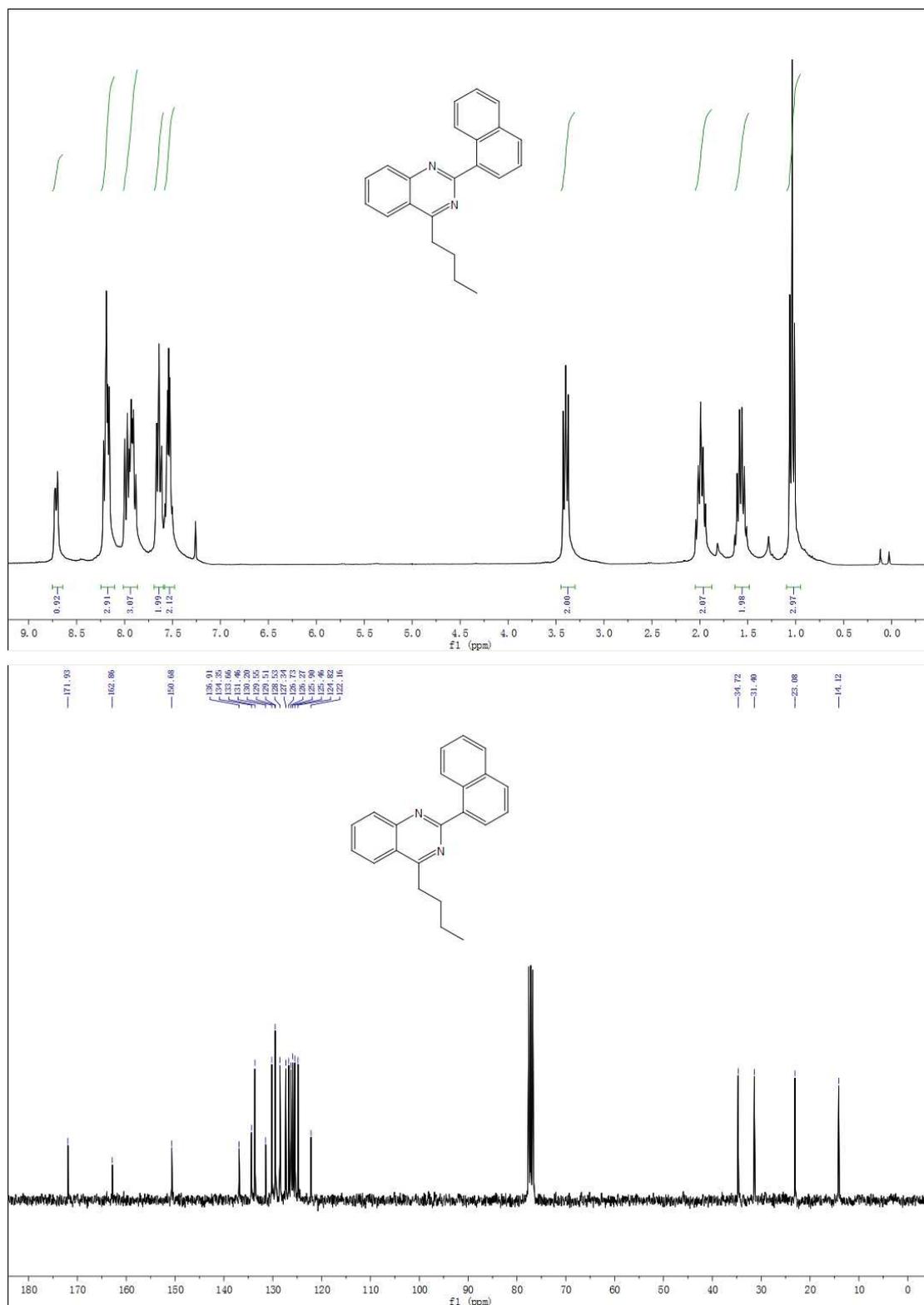


**4-butyl-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)quinazoline (6c):** white solid, 187 mg, yield: 60%.

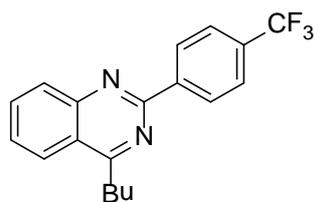
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.75 - 8.64 (m, 1H), 8.19 (dd,  $J = 10.7$ , 6.7 Hz, 3H), 8.01 - 7.87 (m, 3H), 7.64 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.58 - 7.48 (m, 2H), 3.40 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.05 - 1.87 (m, 2H), 1.64 - 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.04 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  171.93, 162.86, 150.68, 136.91, 134.35, 133.66, 131.46, 130.20, 129.55, 129.51, 128.53, 127.34, 126.73, 126.27, 125.90, 125.46, 124.82, 122.16, 34.72, 31.40, 23.08, 14.12.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 313.1699; found: 313.1696.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

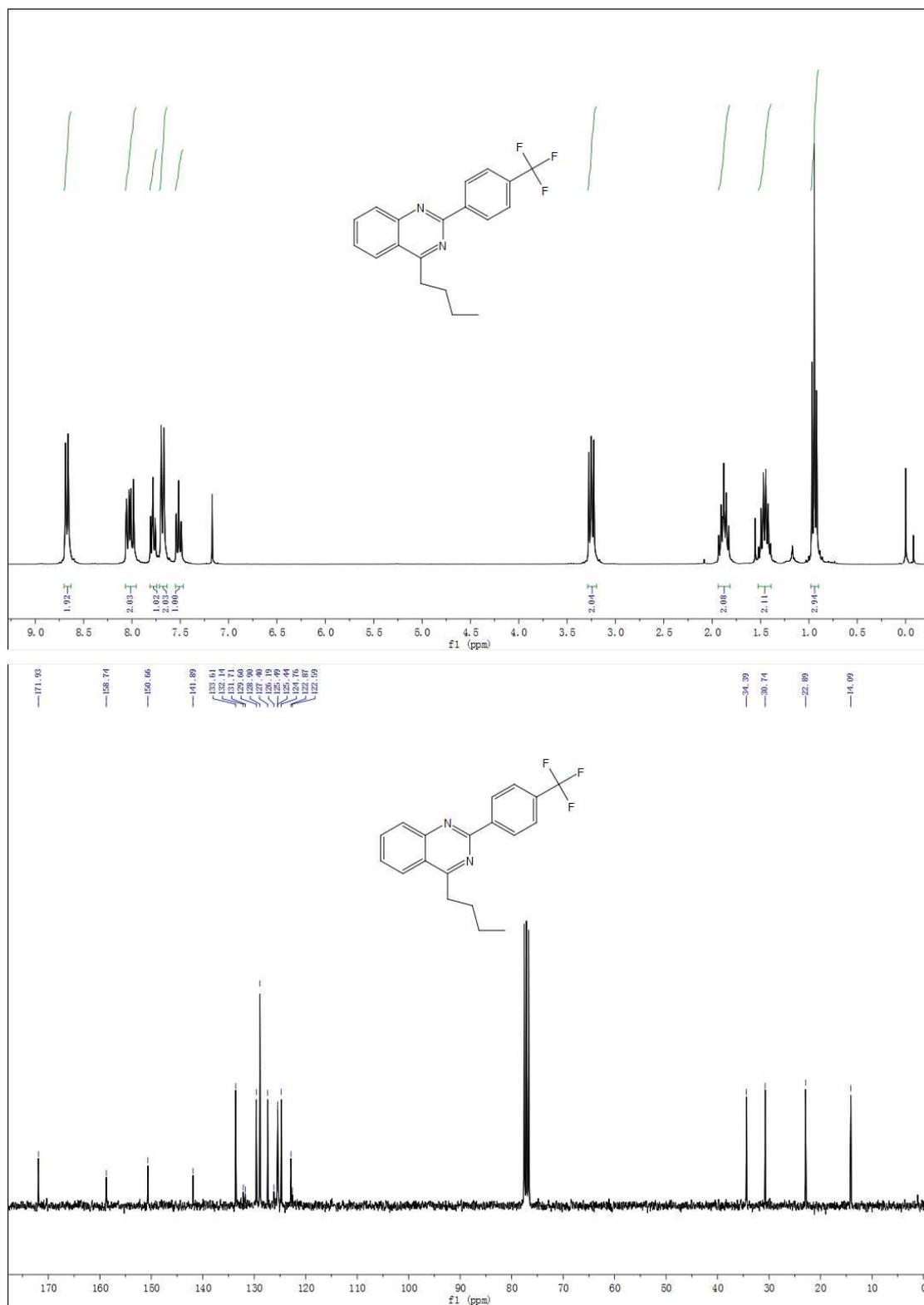


**4-butyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinazoline (6d):** white solid, 185 mg, yield: 56%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.67 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 8.07 - 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.78 (ddd,  $J = 8.4, 6.9, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.52 (ddd,  $J = 8.2, 6.9, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.25 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 1.94 - 1.82 (m, 2H), 1.52 - 1.39 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H).

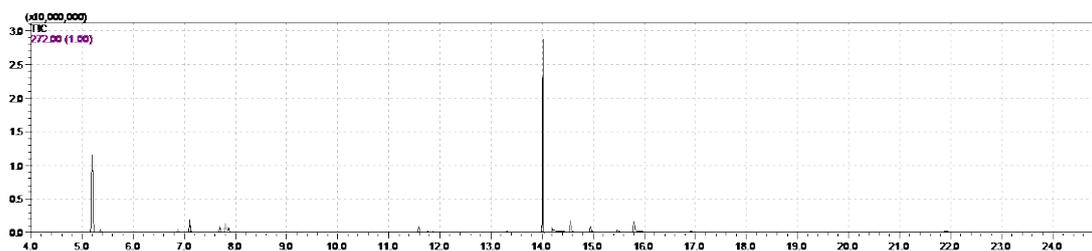
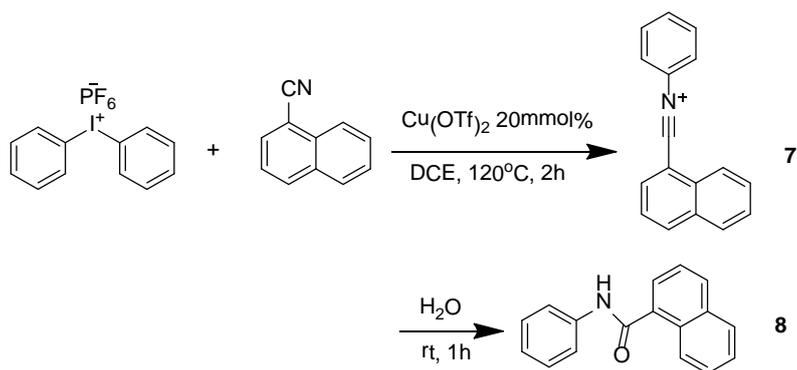
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  171.93, 158.74, 150.66, 141.89, 133.61, 131.93 (q,  $J = 32.1$  Hz), 129.60, 128.90(CH $\times$ 2), 127.40, 125.47 (q,  $J = 3.7$  Hz, CH $\times$ 2), 124.76, 124.39 (q,  $J = 272.2$  Hz), 122.87, 34.39, 30.74, 22.89, 14.09.

HRMS(ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{F}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 331.1417; found: 331.1420.

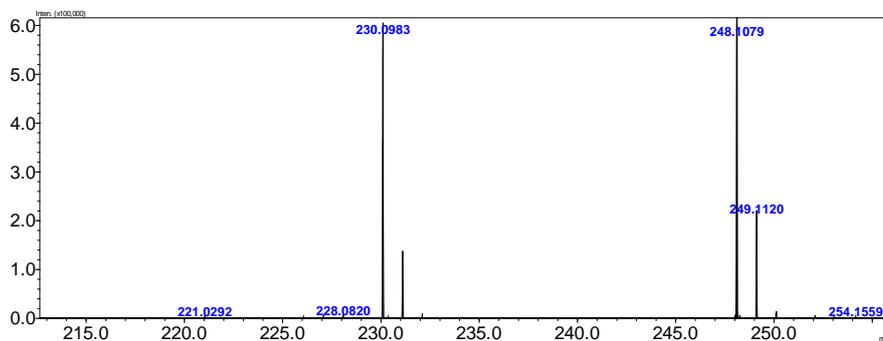


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (301 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (up) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (76 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) (down)

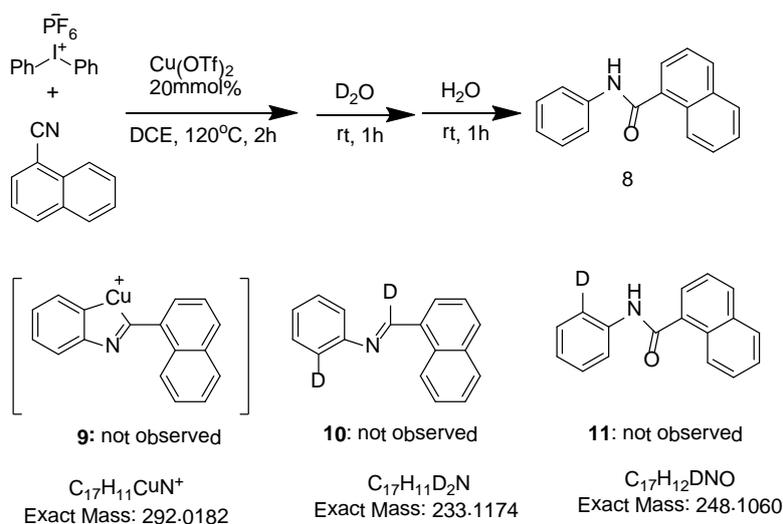
### Mechanistic experiment



The GC-MS spectra of the reaction mixture after it was quenched: the peak at 14 min. indicated the formation of **8** (with n-dodecane as internal standard at 5 min.)

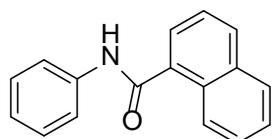


Identification of **7** by HRMS of the reaction mixture:  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}^+$ , Exact Mass: 230.0964, Found: 230.0983.



A sealed tube was charged with the mixture of  $Cu(OTf)_2$  (0.2 mmol, 72.2 mg) and diphenyliodonium hexafluorophosphate (1.0 mmol, 426.1 mg). The tube was evacuated and recharged with  $N_2$  for 3 times. Before 1-cyanonaphthalene (1.0 mmol, 153.2 mg), and dichloroethane (5.0 mL) were added, the tube was sealed and the mixture was allowed to stir at 120 °C for 2 h. After completion, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, then  $H_2O$  (5 mL) was added and the mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 1 h., extracted with DCM, dried by anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ . Evaporation of the solvent followed by purification on silica gel (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate: 10/1) provided **8** as a white solid.

In the preparation of quinazoline **6c**, compound **8** was found in the reaction mixture by GC-MS, around 10% yield.

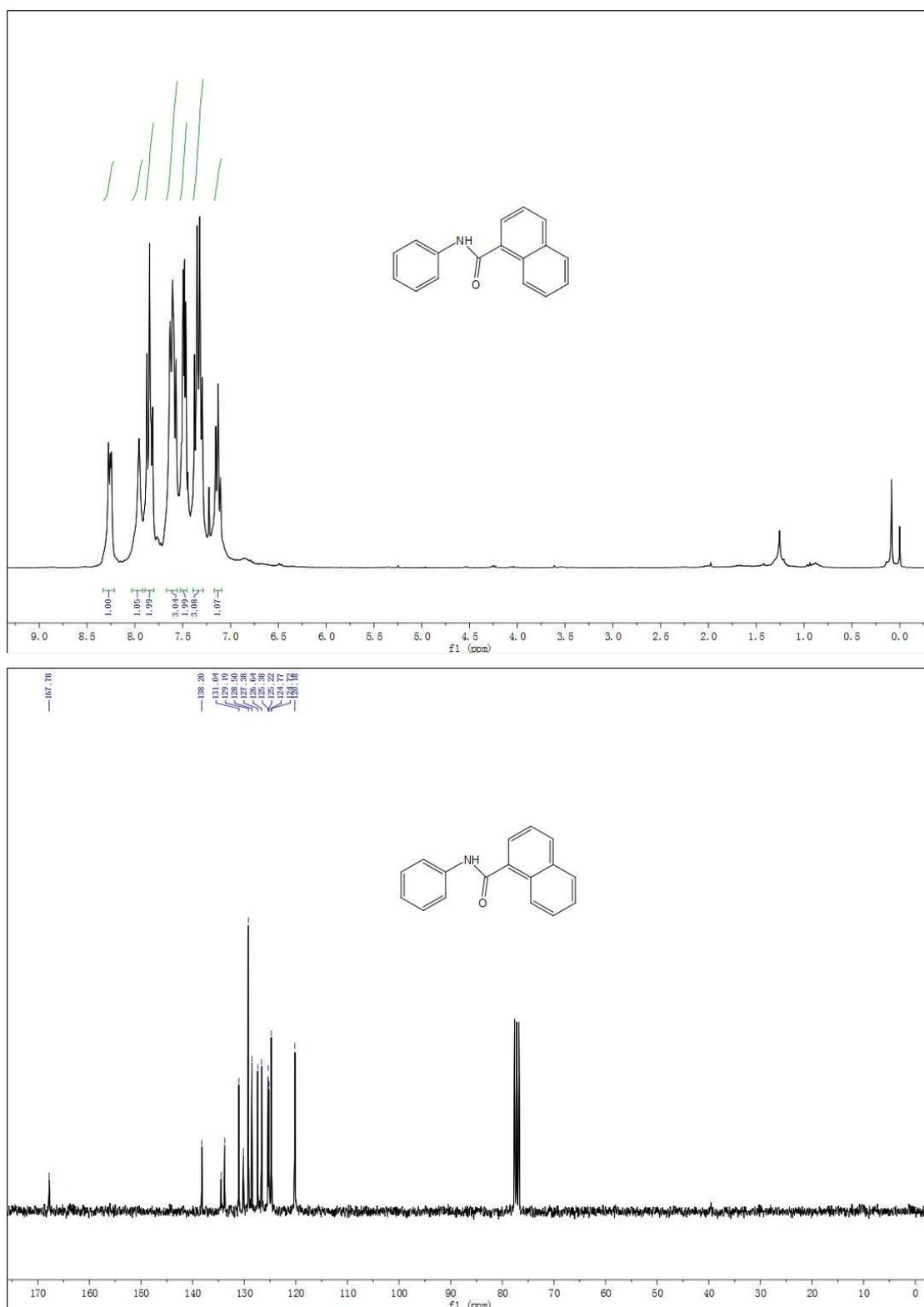


**N-phenyl-1-naphthamide** **8**<sup>8</sup>: white solid, 217 mg, yield: 88%.

$^1H$  NMR (301 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  8.33 - 8.21 (m, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.84 (dd,  $J$  = 11.1, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (dd,  $J$  = 10.9, 7.7 Hz, 3H), 7.49 (dd,  $J$  = 9.0, 4.9 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (dd,  $J$  = 16.5, 8.3 Hz, 3H), 7.13 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (76 MHz, CHLOROFORM-D)  $\delta$  167.78, 138.20, 134.48, 133.80, 131.04, 130.15, 129.19 (CH $\times$ 2), 128.50, 127.38, 126.64, 125.38, 125.22, 124.77, 124.72, 120.18 (CH $\times$ 2).

GC-MS: m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO: 247.1; found: 247.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (301 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (up) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (76 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (down)

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