

# Supplementary Information

## Convenient One-Step Construction of Yne-Functionalized Aryl Halides through Domino Cyclization from Tetraynes

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## 1. General experimental procedures

All the catalytic reactions were performed under an argon atmosphere using the oven-dried Schlenk flask. The chemicals were purchased from Alfa Aesar and Acros Chemicals. All solvents and materials were pre-dried, redistilled or recrystallized before use.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz or 500 MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 or 125 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 300 (500) spectrometer with  $\text{CDCl}_3$  as the solvent. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm by assigning TMS resonance in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra as 0.00 ppm and  $\text{CDCl}_3$  resonance in the  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra as 77.0 ppm. All coupling constants ( $J$  values) were reported in Hertz (Hz). Column chromatography was performed on silica gel 300–400 mesh. Melting points were determined using a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. The FT-IR spectra were recorded from KBr pellets or thin film from  $\text{CHCl}_3$  on the NaCl window in the 4000–400  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ranges on a Nicolet 5DX spectrometer. All HRMS spectra were record using EI or APCI at 70 eV. X-ray Crystallography diffraction data of **ba**, **bb**, and **hb** were collected at room temperature with a Bruker SMART Apex CCD diffractometer with Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ) with a graphite monochromator using the  $\omega$ -scan mode. Data reductions and absorption corrections were performed with SAINT and SADABS software, respectively. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined on  $F^2$  by full-matrix least squares using SHELXTL. All non-hydrogen atoms were treated anisotropically. The positions of hydrogen atoms were generated geometrically.

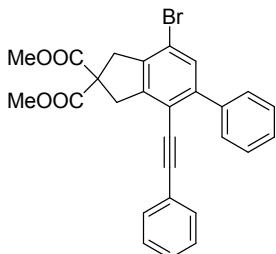
### General procedures:

**Preparation of tetrayne:** To a stirred mixture of 8.69 g (48.0 mmol) of (bromoethynyl)benzene, 380 mg (2.0 mmol) of CuI, and 700 mg (1.0 mmol) of  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$  in 50 mL of THF was added 10.1 g (75.0 mmol) of triethylamine. A solution of 4.16 g (20.0 mmol) of dimethyl 2,2-di(prop-2-yn-1-yl)malonate in 10 mL of THF was then added over 12 h. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was treated with pentane. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to give dimethyl 2,2-bis(5-phenylpenta-2,4-diyn-1-yl)malonate (**a**). Yellow solid; 3.06 g (75 % yield); m.p. 96–97°C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.48–7.46 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.25 (m, 6H), 3.81 (s, 6H), 3.21 (s, 4H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  168.7, 132.6, 129.2, 128.4, 121.5, 77.6, 76.0, 73.8, 68.5, 56.7, 53.5, 52.9, 50.6, 24.2, 19.6 ppm; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3462, 1744, 1491, 1300, 1207, 1069, 758, 691, 527  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ : 409.1434; found: 409.1435.

**Preparation of aryl halides:** Tetrayne **a-l** (1.0 equiv), allyl halides (1.2 equiv),  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1.2 equiv),  $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$  (2 mol %), and  $\text{PPh}_3$  (4 mol %), were added to the degassed solution of  $n\text{Bu}_3\text{N}$  (2 equiv) in DMF (10 mL), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for half an hour and then heated at 100 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled, quenched with water, and extracted with ethyl acetate

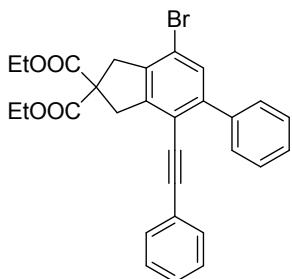
(30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with hydrochloric acid (5 %), sodium carbonate (5 %), and saturated sodium chloride solution, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to give **aa-ib**.

## 2. Characterization Data for the New Compounds



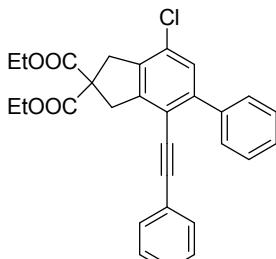
### **Dimethyl 7-bromo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (aa)**

White crystal; 410 mg (84 % yield); m.p. 148-149 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62-7.60 (d, 2H), 7.47-7.25 (m, 9H), 3.91 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 6H), 3.71 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75.5 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  171.74, 144.47, 144.41, 139.11, 131.42, 131.37, 129.25, 128.47, 128.33, 128.01, 127.86, 123.08, 119.11, 117.13, 96.85, 86.38, 58.51, 53.29, 42.26, 41.99 ppm; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3480, 2930, 1732, 1491, 1433, 1285, 1250, 1198, 1076, 871, 761, 694, 594, 527  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrO}_4$ : 489.0696; found: 489.0689.



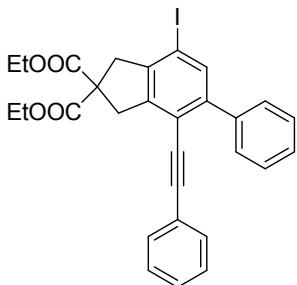
### **Diethyl 7-bromo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (ba)**

White crystal, 464 mg (90 % yield); m.p. 120-121 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62-7.60 (d, 2H), 7.44-7.26 (m, 9H), 4.30-4.23 (q,  $J = 6$  Hz, 4H), 3.90 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 1.33-1.28 (t,  $J = 6$  Hz, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75.5 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  171.31, 144.65, 144.37, 139.27, 139.15, 131.42, 131.32, 129.27, 128.44, 128.33, 128.01, 127.85, 123.12, 119.14, 117.16, 96.77, 86.44, 62.10, 58.61, 42.18, 41.88, 41.10; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3450, 2990, 1728, 1443, 1273, 1244, 1155, 1049, 1013, 860, 756, 691, 524  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{25}\text{BrO}_4$ : 518.1015; found: 518.1014.



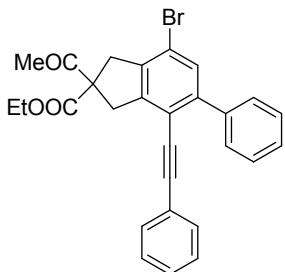
### **Diethyl 7-chloro-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (bb)**

White crystal, 420 mg (89 % yield); m.p. 120-121 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.63-7.60 (d, 2H), 7.47-7.26 (m, 9H), 4.30-4.23 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.87 (s, 2H), 3.73 (s, 2H), 1.33-1.28 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.30, 145.06, 144.37, 139.28, 137.14, 131.42, 130.15, 129.24, 128.40, 128.38, 128.31, 128.01, 127.82, 123.16, 116.52, 96.57, 86.39, 62.08, 58.92, 41.68, 40.20, 14.09; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3460, 2980, 1726, 1439, 1269, 1240, 1186, 1049, 761, 642, 523 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>25</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub>: 473.1514; found: 473.1508.



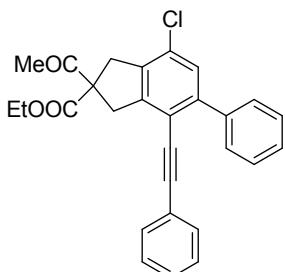
**Diethyl 7-iodo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (bc)**

White crystal, 439 mg (77 % yield); m.p. 123-124 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.68-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.30 (m, 9H), 4.31-4.24 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.95 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 1.33-1.28 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.31, 144.12, 143.37, 143.30, 138.97, 137.38, 131.43, 129.26, 128.47, 128.32, 127.99, 127.81, 123.11, 118.01, 97.00, 92.63, 86.51, 62.10, 58.12, 45.85, 42.19, 41.10; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3440, 2982, 1730, 1454, 1364, 1279, 1240, 1155, 1062, 860, 756, 691, 519 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>25</sub>IO<sub>4</sub>: 565.0870; found: 565.0856.



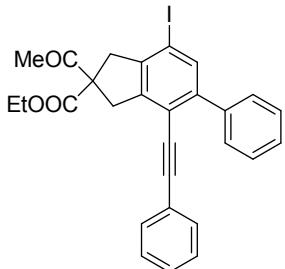
**Ethyl 2-acetyl-7-bromo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (ca)**

Yellow solid, 369 mg (76 % yield); m.p. 102-103 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.61-7.59 (d, 2H), 7.43-7.25 (m, 9H), 4.31-4.24 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.33-1.27 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 201.80, 172.04, 144.44, 139.10, 139.07, 131.41, 131.35, 129.25, 128.48, 128.33, 128.02, 127.86, 123.08, 119.22, 117.24, 96.86, 86.39, 65.01, 62.25, 40.63, 40.27, 26.13, 14.11; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3410, 2999, 1715, 1489, 1442, 1267, 1229, 1098, 1017, 876, 756, 690, 525 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrO<sub>3</sub>: 487.0903; found: 487.0898.



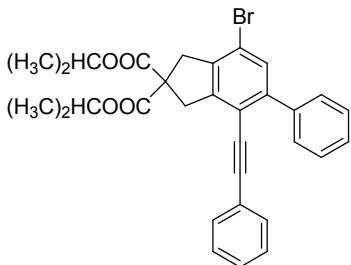
**Ethyl 2-acetyl-7-chloro-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (cb)**

Yellow solid, 376 mg (85 % yield); m.p. 97-98 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.62-7.60 (d, 2H), 7.46-7.26 (m, 9H), 4.32-4.25 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 2H), 3.65 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.34-1.29 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 3H,); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 201.77, 172.04, 144.86, 144.46, 139.23, 136.96, 131.42, 130.21, 129.24, 128.45, 128.42, 128.03, 127.86, 123.11, 116.66, 96.65, 86.36, 65.34, 62.24, 40.09, 38.64, 26.12, 14.10; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3430, 2990, 1715, 1489, 1443, 1267, 1231, 1155, 1098, 918, 756, 691 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>23</sub>ClO<sub>3</sub>: 443.1409; found: 443.1404.



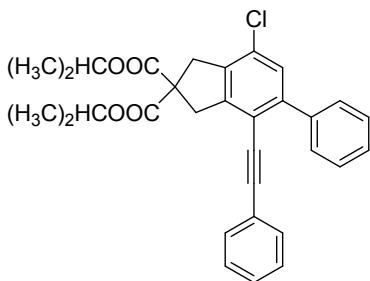
#### Ethyl 2-acetyl-7-iodo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (cc)

White crystal, 428 mg (80 % yield); m.p. 111-112 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.66-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.26 (m, 9H), 4.32-4.25 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.34-1.29 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 201.81, 171.96, 144.21, 143.16, 143.09, 138.93, 137.42, 131.42, 129.24, 128.50, 128.32, 128.03, 128.00, 127.82, 123.08, 118.00, 97.24, 92.74, 86.42, 64.53, 62.24, 44.34, 40.63, 26.13, 14.10; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3462, 2980, 1715, 1442, 1263, 1224, 1150, 877, 752, 685, 523 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>23</sub>IO<sub>3</sub>: 535.0765; found: 535.0765.



#### Diisopropyl 7-bromo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (da)

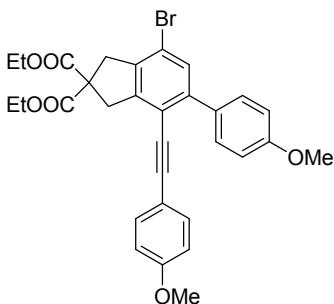
White crystal, 479 mg (88 % yield); m.p. 134-135 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.62-7.59 (d, 2H), 7.42-7.25 (m, 9H), 5.11-5.07 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.65 (s, 2H), 1.29-1.26 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.83, 144.75, 144.34, 139.37, 131.40, 131.25, 129.27, 128.38, 128.30, 127.98, 127.79, 123.18, 119.09, 117.08, 96.69, 86.50, 69.57, 58.66, 42.14, 41.79, 21.57; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3435, 2976, 1722, 1456, 1273, 1105, 1063, 775, 752, 700, 637 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BrO<sub>4</sub>: 545.1322; found: 545.1323.



#### Diisopropyl 7-chloro-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (db)

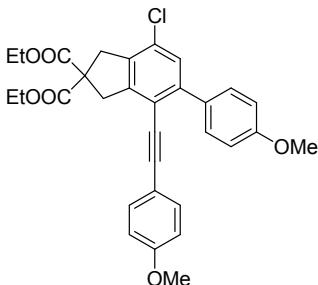
White crystal, 420 mg (84 % yield); m.p. 126-127 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.62-7.60 (d, 2H), 7.44-7.26 (m, 9H), 5.11-5.07 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 1.29-1.27 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.85, 145.29,

139.32, 137.24, 131.40, 130.07, 129.25, 128.36, 128.32, 128.30, 127.98, 127.79, 123.01, 116.64, 96.54, 86.39, 69.55, 58.96, 41.60, 40.16, 21.57; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3450, 2990, 1724, 1456, 1373, 1275, 1188, 1105, 910, 772, 687, 607 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub>: 501.1827; found: 501.1826.



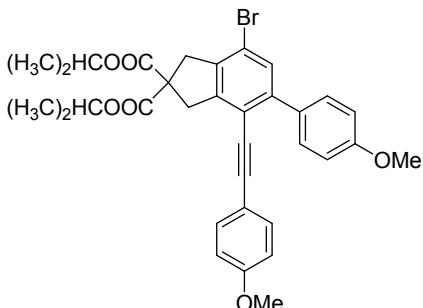
**Diethyl 7-bromo-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (ea)**

White crystal, 478 mg (83 % yield); m.p. 149-150 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.57-7.55 (d, 2H), 7.38-7.25 (m, 3H), 6.97-6.81 (m, 4H), 4.28-4.22 (q,  $J$  = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 1.31-1.27 (t,  $J$  = 6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  171.35, 159.72, 159.30, 144.38, 144.36, 143.66, 138.68, 132.89, 131.73, 131.07, 130.42, 118.66, 117.31, 117.30, 115.33, 113.98, 113.37, 113.33, 96.83, 85.41, 62.05, 58.62, 55.36, 55.34, 42.14, 41.90, 14.09; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3462, 2974, 1728, 1607, 1510, 1292, 1246, 1066, 1031, 829, 532 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BrO<sub>6</sub>: 577.1220; found: 577.1217.



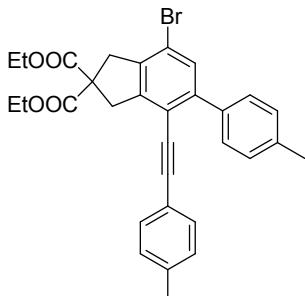
**Diethyl 7-chloro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (eb)**

White crystal, 458 mg (86 % yield); m.p. 133-134 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.58-7.55 (d, 2H), 7.32-7.22 (m, 3H), 6.98-6.82 (m, 4H), 4.29-4.22 (q,  $J$  = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 1.32-1.27 (t,  $J$  = 6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  171.37, 159.70, 159.29, 144.77, 143.63, 136.56, 132.88, 131.86, 130.40, 129.67, 128.14, 116.71, 115.36, 113.97, 113.37, 96.60, 85.34, 62.04, 58.91, 55.35, 41.70, 40.16, 14.08; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3440, 2972, 1730, 1607, 1292, 1244, 1179, 1030, 829, 633, 532 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>ClO<sub>6</sub>: 533.1725; found: 533.1724.



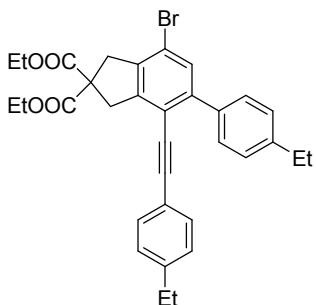
**Diisopropyl 7-bromo-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (fa)**

White crystal, 484 mg (80 % yield); m.p. 160-161 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.58-7.55 (d, 2H), 7.38-6.82 (m, 7H), 5.11-5.07 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H) 3.64 (s, 2H), 1.29-1.27 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.88, 159.75, 159.27, 144.49, 138.78, 132.89, 131.02, 130.43, 118.63, 117.24, 115.38, 113.97, 113.35, 96.68, 85.42, 69.51, 58.66, 55.32, 42.11, 41.82, 21.57; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3422, 2980, 1724, 1605, 1510, 1290, 1247, 1099, 829, 667, 532 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>33</sub>BrO<sub>6</sub>: 605.1533; found: 605.1519.



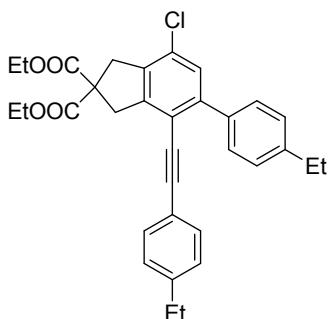
**Diethyl 7-bromo-5-(p-tolyl)-4-(p-tolylethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (ga)**

Yellow solid, 462 mg (85 % yield); m.p. 145-146 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.53-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.10 (m, 7H), 4.29-4.23 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.32-1.27 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.35, 144.60, 138.60, 137.57, 136.28, 131.32, 131.22, 129.18, 129.08, 128.80, 128.71, 120.14, 118.89, 117.24, 96.96, 85.96, 62.06, 58.61, 42.16, 41.92, 21.58, 21.31, 14.09; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3460, 2974, 1732, 1510, 1267, 1242, 1184, 1070, 814, 667, 525 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BrO<sub>4</sub>: 545.1322; found: 545.1319.



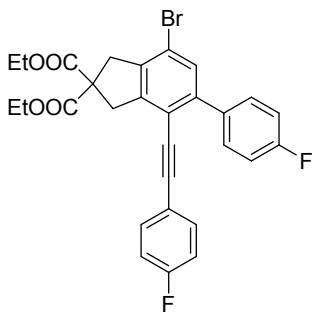
**Diethyl 7-bromo-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-4-((4-ethylphenyl)ethynyl)-1H-indene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (ha)**

White crystal, 486 mg (85 % yield); m.p. 140-141 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.55-7.53 (d, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.14-7.12 (d, 2H), 4.29-4.22 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.72-2.62 (m, 4H), 1.31-1.19 (m, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.34, 144.89, 144.54, 144.22, 143.89, 138.90, 136.52, 131.41, 131.21, 129.17, 127.87, 127.49, 120.42, 118.86, 117.29, 96.99, 86.00, 62.04, 58.60, 42.16, 41.90, 28.88, 28.66, 15.62, 15.41, 14.08; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3465, 2965, 1736, 1510, 1454, 1238, 1184, 1070, 829, 623, 556 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>33</sub>BrO<sub>4</sub>: 573.1635; found: 573.1628.



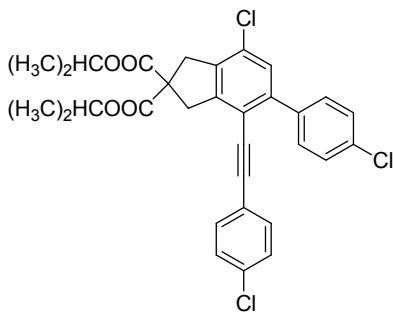
**Diethyl 7-chloro-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-4-((4-ethylphenyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-indene-2,2(3*H*)-dicarboxylate (hb)**

White crystal, 386 mg (73 % yield); m.p. 138-139 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.56-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 4.29-4.22 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 2H), 2.72-2.62 (m, 4H) 1.31-1.19 (m, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.36, 144.94, 144.85, 144.20, 143.88, 136.79, 136.64, 131.41, 129.87, 129.17, 128.28, 127.88, 127.51, 120.44, 116.69, 96.77, 85.95, 62.04, 58.90, 41.71, 40.20, 28.87, 28.66, 15.63, 15.43, 14.08; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3460, 2967, 1736, 1510, 1454, 1269, 1244, 1184, 1155, 1070, 829, 627, 557 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>33</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub>: 529.2140; found: 529.2139.



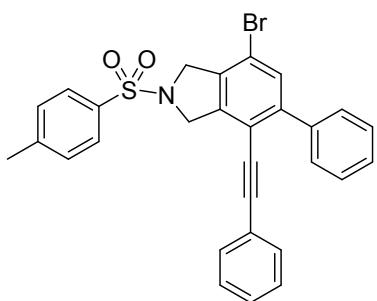
**Diethyl 7-bromo-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-indene-2,2(3*H*)-dicarboxylate (ia)**

White crystal, 425 mg (77 % yield); m.p. 128-129 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.57-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.6.97 (m, 7H), 4.29-4.22 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 4H), 3.87 (s, 2H), 3.68(s, 2H), 1.31-1.27(t, *J* = 6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.22, 164.28, 164.21, 160.97, 144.64, 143.25, 139.49, 135.19, 133.34, 133.22, 131.21, 130.97, 130.86, 119.21, 115.87, 115.57, 115.09, 114.80, 95.83, 85.90, 62.10, 58.61, 42.15, 41.82, 14.06; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3456, 2961, 1724, 1601, 1508, 1279, 1186, 1155, 1091, 837, 511 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrF<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 553.0821; found: 553.0821.



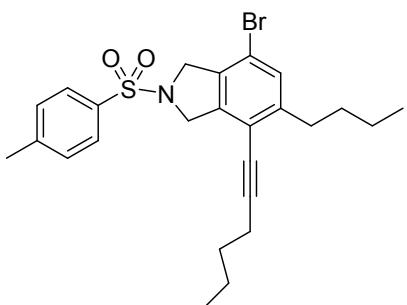
**Diisopropyl 7-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-((4-chlorophenyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-indene-2,2(3*H*)-dicarboxylate (ja)**

White crystal, 426 mg (75 % yield); m.p. 156-157 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.58-7.55 (d, 2H), 7.45-7.25 (m, 7H), 5.14-5.11 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 2H), 1.32-1.31(d, *J* = 6 Hz, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.73, 145.51, 143.10, 137.78, 134.70, 134.03, 132.93, 132.57, 130.51, 128.75, 128.22, 128.08, 121.47, 116.15, 95.64, 86.83, 69.63, 58.81, 41.53, 40.14, 21.55; FT-IR (KBr): ν 3460, 2980, 1728, 1491, 1253, 1190, 1101, 1012, 827, 525 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>27</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 569.1048; found: 569.1049.



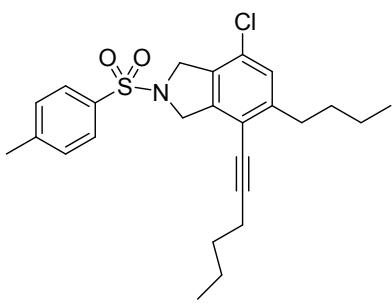
**7-Bromo-5-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-2-tosylisoindoline (ka)**

White solid; 458 mg (87 % yield); m.p. 198-199 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.85-7.82 (d, 2H), 7.57-7.55 (d, 2H), 7.46-7.26 (m, 11H), 4.89 (s, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  145.12, 144.02, 143.94, 141.05, 140.708, 138.41, 135.71, 133.65, 131.88, 131.48, 130.10, 129.95, 129.15, 129.00, 128.91, 128.46, 128.28, 128.20, 128.07, 127.86, 127.65, 127.47, 116.94, 115.93, 97.76, 85.01, 55.58, 55.28, 21.62 ppm; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3472, 1640, 1491, 1348, 1163, 1103, 756, 679, 578, 544  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{22}\text{BrNO}_2\text{S}$ : 528.0627; found: 528.0624.



**7-Bromo-5-butyl-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)-2-tosylisoindoline (la)**

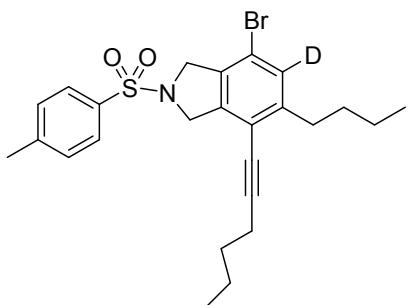
White solid; 410 mg (84 % yield); m.p. 110-111 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.78-7.76 (d, 2H), 7.33-7.31 (d, 2H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 2.65-2.62 (t, 2H), 2.44-2.43 (t, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.59-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.56-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.49-1.46 (m, 4H), 0.96-0.93 (t, 3H), 0.91-0.88 (t, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  146.75, 144.20, 140.55, 134.24, 134.02, 130.33, 127.97, 118.08, 115.92, 100.19, 97.76, 55.82, 55.54, 34.05, 33.10, 31.12, 22.86, 22.38, 21.95, 19.75, 14.31, 14.02 ppm; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  2951, 1637, 1458, 1346, 1154, 1101, 808, 677, 590, 543  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{31}\text{BrNO}_2\text{S}$ : 488.1271; found: 488.1270.



**5-Butyl-7-chloro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)-2-tosylisoindoline (lb)**

White solid; 364 mg (82 % yield); m.p. 95-96 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.77-7.76 (d, 2H), 7.32-7.30 (d, 2H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 4.64 (s, 2H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 2.65-2.62 (t, 2H), 2.45-2.43 (t, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.60-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.55-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.50-1.47 (m, 4H), 0.96-0.94 (t, 3H), 0.91-0.89 (t, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  146.76, 144.12, 140.82, 134.07, 132.13, 130.28, 128.36, 127.65, 117.48, 99.89, 55.32, 54.30, 34.14, 33.06, 29.60, 22.82, 22.35, 21.89, 19.68, 14.51, 14.25 ppm; FT-IR

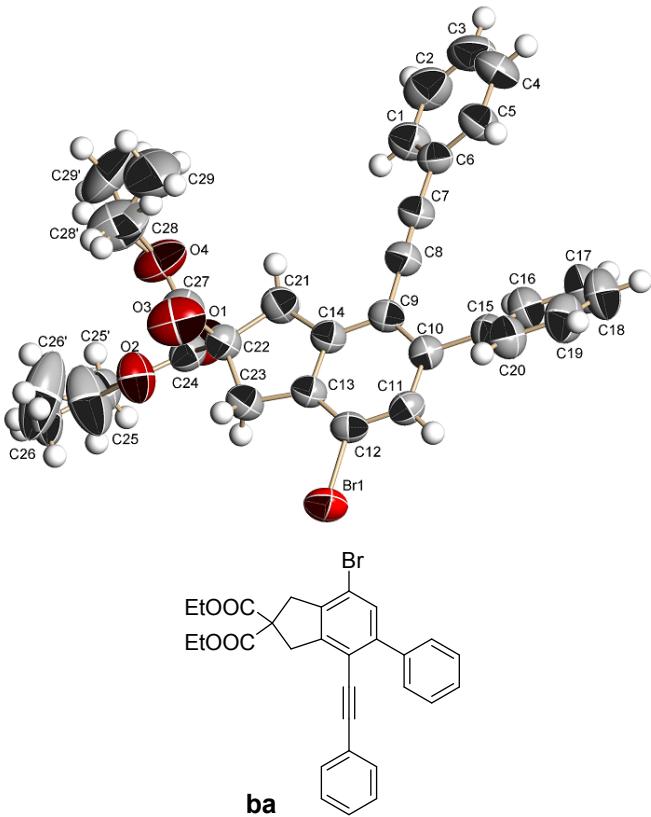
(KBr):  $\nu$  3448, 2870, 1637, 1458, 1344, 1151, 1099, 817, 667, 551 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>31</sub>BrNO<sub>2</sub>S: 444.1776; found: 444.1773.

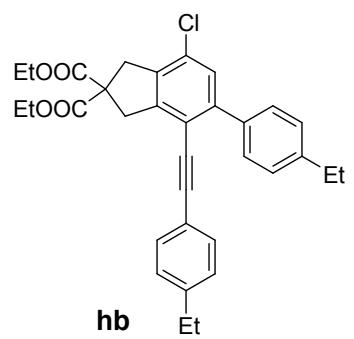
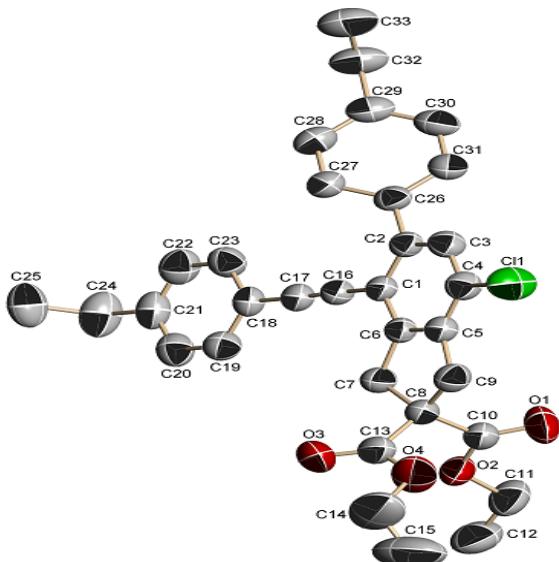
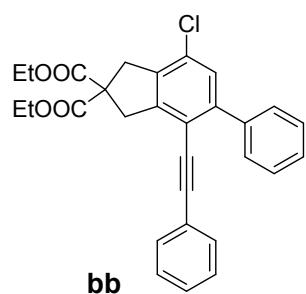
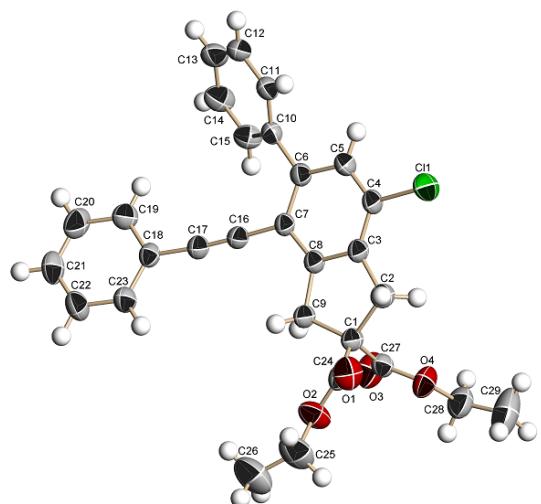


### 7-Bromo-5-butyl-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)-2-tosylisoindoline-6-d (lc)

White solid; 397 mg (81 % yield); m.p. 112-113 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.78-7.67 (d, 2H), 7.33-7.31 (d, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 2.65-2.62 (t, 2H), 2.44-2.43 (t, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.59-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.56-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.49-1.46 (m, 4H), 0.96-0.93 (t, 3H), 0.91-0.88 (t, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  146.84, 144.17, 140.59, 134.27, 134.12, 131.29, 130.32, 127.97, 118.09, 116.02, 100.18, 97.76, 55.82, 55.54, 34.10, 33.10, 31.11, 22.85, 22.37, 21.94, 19.73, 14.28, 14.00 ppm; FT-IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3032, 2951, 1903, 1637, 1598, 1431, 1344, 1159, 1101, 808, 675, 648, 547, 540 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (APCI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>30</sub>DBrNO<sub>2</sub>S: 489.1333; found: 489.1331.

## 4. X-Ray Structure for ba, bb and hb





#### 4. $^1\text{H}$ NMR & $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR Spectra for New Compounds

