

Supporting Information
Direct nitration of aromatic sulfonamides with
sodium nitrite

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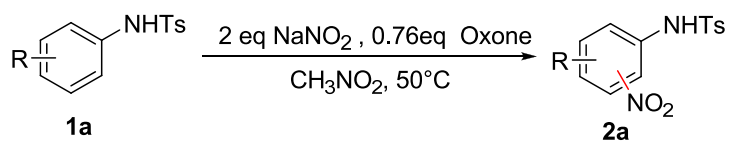
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1. General Remarks

Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHz in CDCl_3 and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHz in CDCl_3 . IR spectra were recorded on a FT-IR spectrometer and only major peaks are reported in cm^{-1} . Melting points were determined on a microscopic apparatus and were uncorrected. All compounds were further characterized by HRMS; copies of their ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra are provided in the Supporting Information. Room temperature is 20–25°C. Commercially available reagents and solvents were used without further purification.

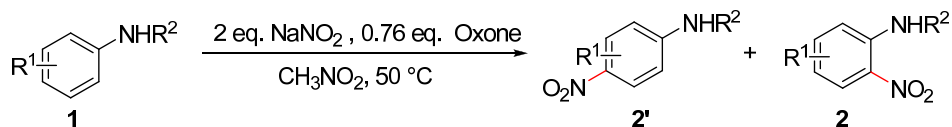
2. General experimental procedure



A mixture of aromatic sulfonamide derivative (0.3 mmol) **1a**, 2 eq NaNO_2 (41.4 mg, 0.6 mmol), 2 eq KHS_2O_8 (139.2 mg, 0.6 mmol) and nitromethane (3.0 mL) was stirred at 50°C under air for 3 h. The reaction was concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography using mixture of petroleum ether and ethyl acetate as eluent to afford the corresponding product **2** as a yellow solid.

3. Optimization of the reaction conditions

Table SI Optimization of the reaction conditions^a



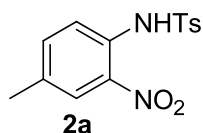
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R² = Ts, Ac, Boc, CPh, CO(CH₃)₃, Bn, CH₃

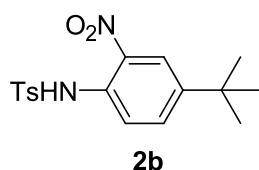
Entry	R ²	Oxidant [eq.]	Solvent	Temp. [°C]	t [h]	Yield [%] ^b
1	-TS	PhI(OAc) ₂ (3)	DCM	r.t.	3	82
2	-TS	DDQ (3)	DCM	r.t.	36	67
3	-TS	BQ (3)	DCM	r.t.	36	NR
4	-TS	PPTS (3)	DCM	r.t.	36	8
5	-TS	(NH ₄) ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2)	DCM	r.t.	36	30
6	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	DCM	r.t.	36	86
7	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	DCE	r.t.	36	42
8	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	83
9	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ CN	r.t.	36	48
10	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	Toluene	r.t.	36	41
11	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	THF	r.t.	36	NR
12	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	1,4-Dioxane	r.t.	36	26
13	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	DMF	r.t.	36	19
14	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	DMSO	r.t.	28	NR
15	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ OH	r.t.	36	28
16	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	98
17	-Ac	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	52
18	-Boc	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	26
19	-COPh	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	58
20	-COC(CH ₃) ₃	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36h	52
21	-Bn	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	48
22	-CH ₃	Oxone (0.76)	CH ₃ NO ₂	r.t.	36	41
23	-TS	Oxone (0.76)	CH₃NO₂	50	2	98

^a Conditions: 0.3 mmol **1a**, 0.6 mmol NaNO₂ and oxidant in nitromethane (3 mL) at RT to 50 °C. ^b Isolated yield.

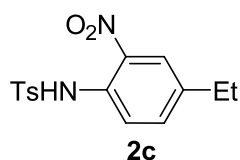
4. Characterization Data of 2a-2v



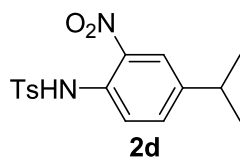
4-Methyl-N-(4-methyl-2-nitrophenyl)benzenesulfonamide (2a): 98% yield; yellow solid; mp: 99–101 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.64 (s, 1H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.74-7.67 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.38 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 3H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 144.6, 137.2, 136.7, 135.6, 134.5, 131.2, 129.9, 127.1, 125.9, 121.4; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3292, 1533, 1348, 1168; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 329.0566$; found: 329.0561.



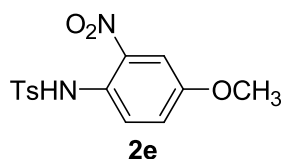
N-(4-tert-butyl-2-nitrophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2b): 63% yield; yellow solid; mp: 121–123 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.75 (s, 1H), 8.09-8.08 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.73 (d, 3H), 7.63-7.60 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 147.5, 144.6, 136.7, 135.9, 133.3, 131.3, 129.9, 127.2, 122.5, 120.7, 34.5, 30.8, 21.5; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3289, 1158, 543; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 371.1036$; found: 371.1031.



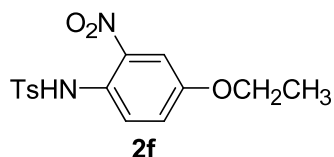
N-(4-ethyl-2-nitrophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2c): 97% yield; yellow oil; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.69 (s, 1H), 7.91-7.90 (d, $J = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.70 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.41 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 2.67-2.61 (q, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.24-1.20 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 144.6, 140.5, 137.2, 135.7, 135.6, 131.4, 129.9, 127.1, 124.7, 121.4, 27.7, 21.5, 14.8; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3292, 1169, 548; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 343.0723$; found: 343.0716.



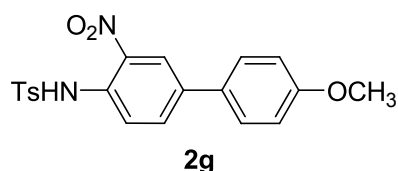
***N*-(4-isopropyl-2-nitrophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2d):** 97% yield; yellow solid; mp: 176–178 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 8.23 (s, 1H), 7.98 (s, 2H), 7.49-7.43 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.22 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.13-3.03 (m, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 149.8, 146.5, 145.3, 134.4, 130.1, 127.6, 126.9, 122.4, 33.6, 23.1, 21.6; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3326, 1536, 545; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: $\text{M}^+ = 334.0982$; found: 334.0976.



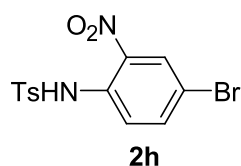
***N*-(4-methoxy-2-nitrophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2e):** 63% yield; yellow solid; mp: 71–73 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.27 (s, 1H), 7.81-7.78 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.48 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.17 (m, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 156.1, 144.6, 138.9, 135.4, 129.9, 127.1, 126.5, 124.7, 123.0, 109.0, 55.9, 21.5; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3299, 1167, 551; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$: $\text{M}^+\text{Na} = 345.0518$; Found: 345.0508.



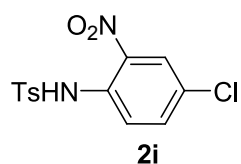
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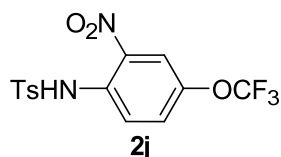
***N*-(4'-methoxy-3-nitrobiphenyl-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2g):** 62% yield; yellow oil; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.40 (s, 1H), 7.79-7.76 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.64 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.51 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H), 6.95-6.88 (m, 4H), 3.80 (m, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 156.7, 155.0, 148.1, 144.6, 138.4, 135.4, 129.9, 127.6, 124.0, 124.7, 123.9, 121.1, 115.1, 112.9, 55.5, 21.5; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3297, 1490, 549; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S}$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 437.0778$; fFound: 437.0768.



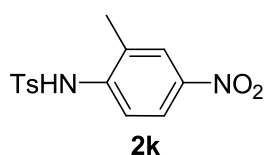
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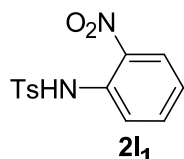
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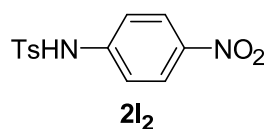
4-Methyl-N-(2-nitro-4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)benzenesulfonamide (2j): 90% yield; yellow oil, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.86 (s, 1H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.94-7.92 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.50-7.48 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.31 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 145.2, 143.7, 136.5, 135.3, 132.7, 130.1, 128.7, 127.2, 124.0, 122.1, 121.4, 118.8, 118.7, 21.5, 21.6; IR (neat, cm^{-1}) 3297, 2925, 1265, 741; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 399.0233$; found: 399.0223.



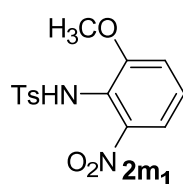
4-Methyl-N-(2-methyl-4-nitrophenyl)benzenesulfonamide (2k): 83% yield; yellow solid; mp: 158–160 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 8.46-8.45 (d, $J = 0.8$ Hz, 2H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.41 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.27-7.25 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 145.6, 145.5, 145.0, 144.2, 134.5, 134.0, 130.6, 130.3, 127.2, 118.1, 21.7, 20.4; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3295, 1543, 1345, 1167; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 329.0566$; 329.0576.



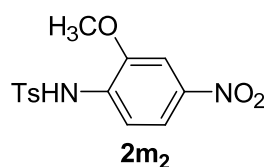
4-Methyl-N-(2-nitrophenyl)benzenesulfonamide (2k₁): 31% yield; yellow solid; mp: 113–115 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 9.87 (s, 1H), 8.12-8.10 (dd, $J_1 = 1.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.82 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.73 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.61-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ ppm 145.0, 142.6, 130.1, 127.3, 125.4, 118.6, 21.6; IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3288, 1186, 546; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$: $\text{M}+\text{Na} = 315.0410$; found: 315.0404.



4-Methyl-*N*-(4-nitrophenyl)benzenesulfonamide (2k₂): 62% yield; yellow solid; mp: 113–115 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 8.14-8.12 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.78-7.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.29 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 135.5, 132.3, 131.1, 130.3, 125.9, 124.4 (q, *J* = 276.0 Hz, CF₃), 123.4, 117.9, 39.5 (q, *J* = 30.0 Hz, CH₂CF₃), 30.8 (q, *J* = 3.0 Hz, CHCN); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -64.97 (s, 3F); IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3330, 2924, 1159; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₃H₁₂N₂O₄S: M+Na = 315.0410; found: 315.0421.

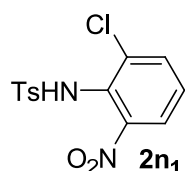


***N*-(2-methoxy-6-nitrophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2m₁):** 50% yield; yellow solid; mp: 138–140 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 7.84-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.65-7.64 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.59 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 147.7, 144.7, 143.6, 135.6, 132.6, 129.9, 127.2, 117.4, 116.7, 105.8, 56.4, 21.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3286, 2923, 741; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₄N₂O₅S: M+Na = 345.0516; found: 345.0508.

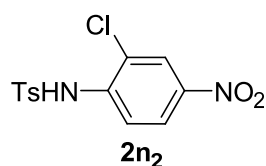


***N*-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2m₂):** 32% yield; yellow solid; mp: 157–159 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 8.74 (s, 1H), 8.56-8.55 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90-7.89 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 161.6, 135.5, 124.6 (q, *J* = 276.0 Hz, CF₃), 118.4, 105.3, 100.4, 55.4, 39.5 (q, *J* = 30.0 Hz, CH₂CF₃), 31.3 (q, *J* = 3.0 Hz, CHCN); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -65.18 (s, 3F); IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3285, 2924, 1546, 1345; HRMS (ESI) Calcd

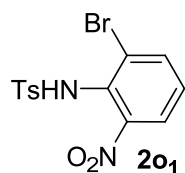
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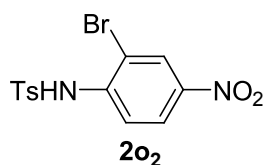
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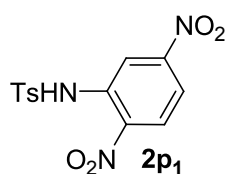
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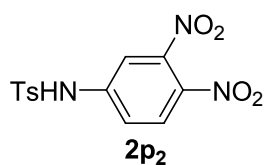
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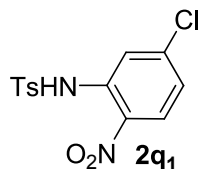
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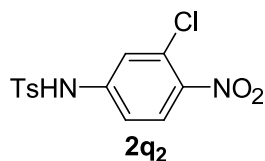
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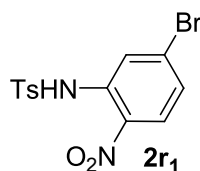
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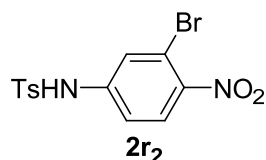
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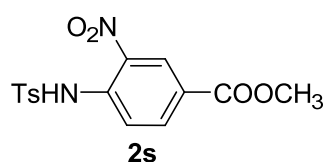
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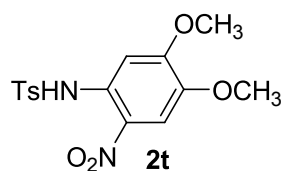
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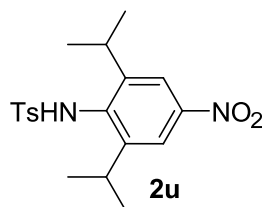
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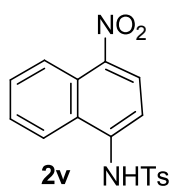
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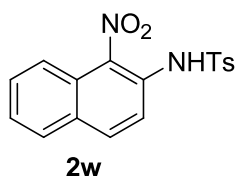
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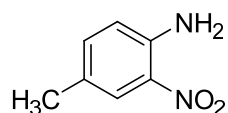


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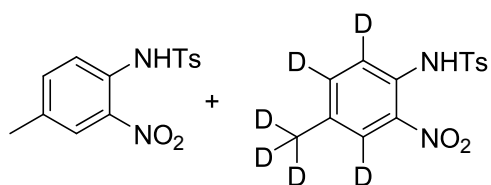


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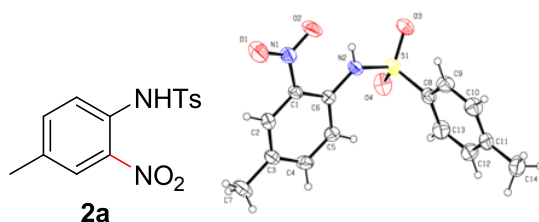


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5. Crystallographic data of 2a



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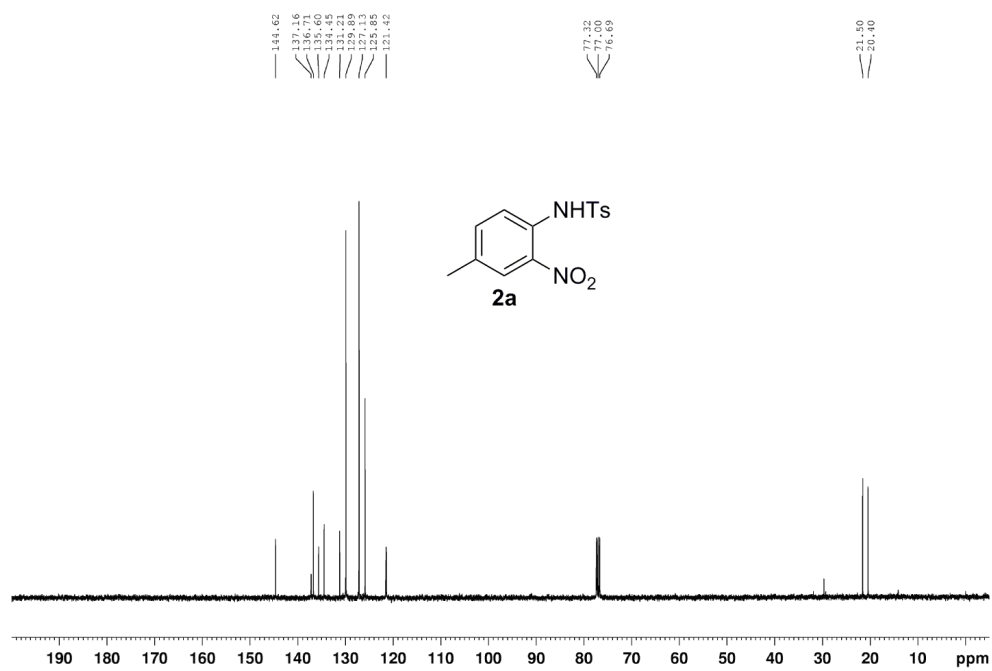
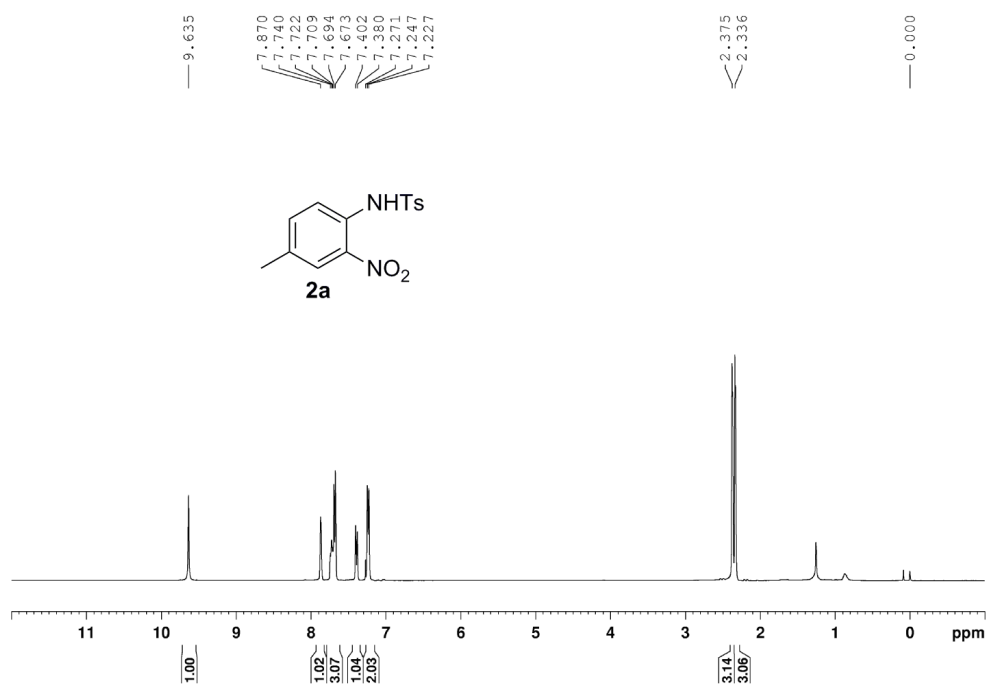
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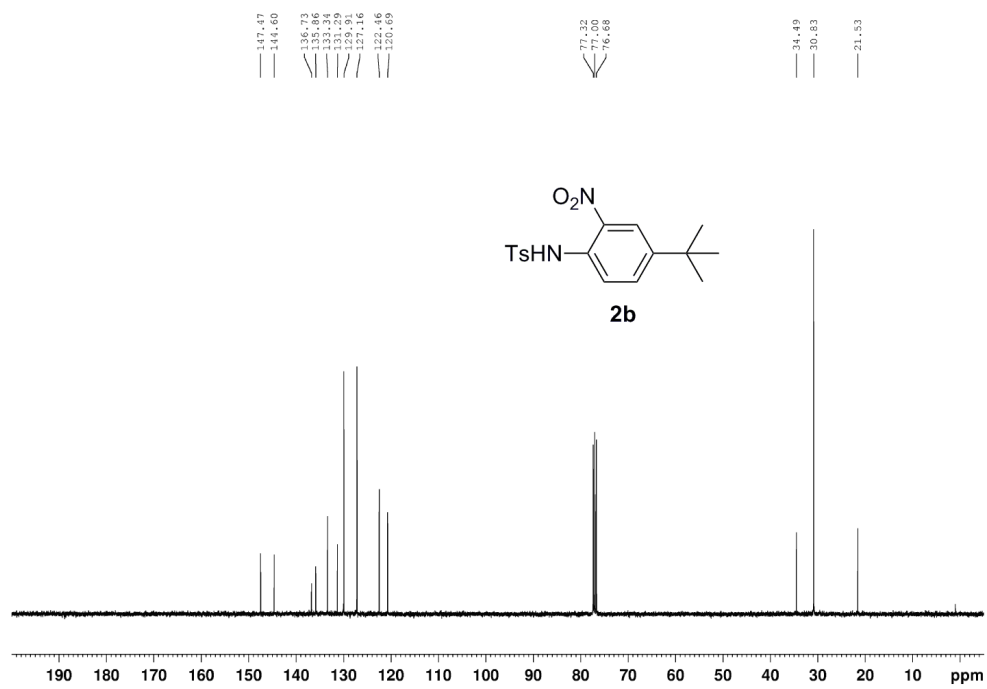
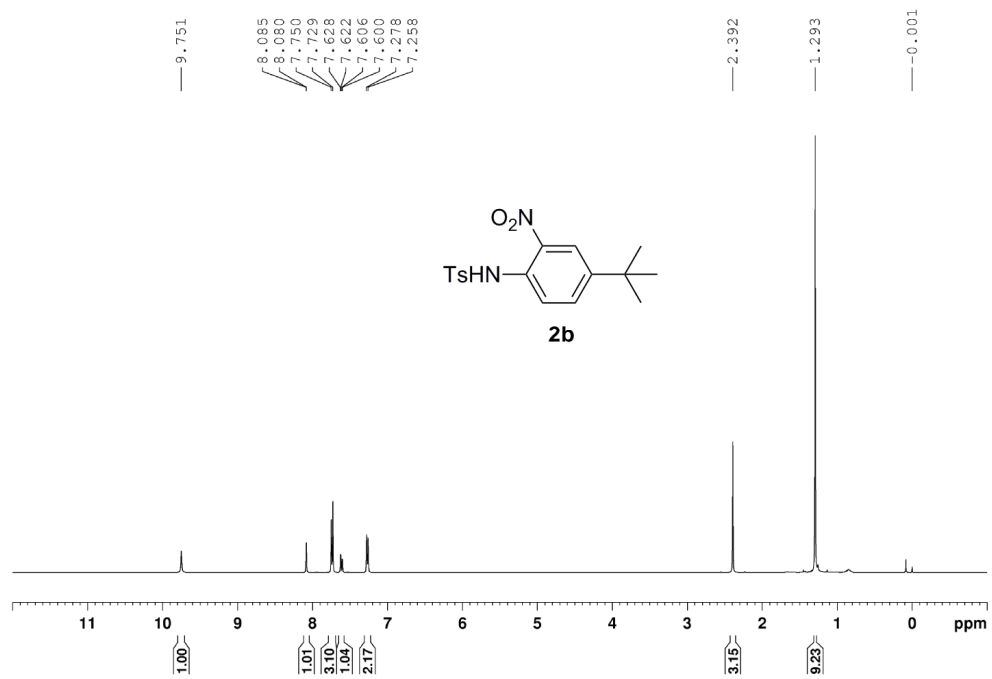
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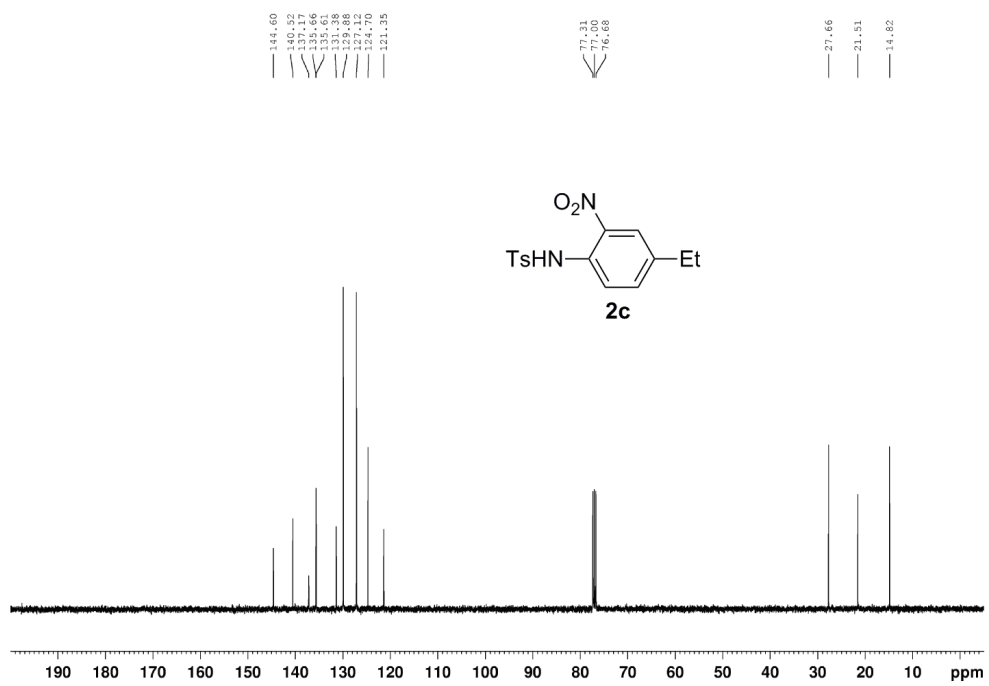
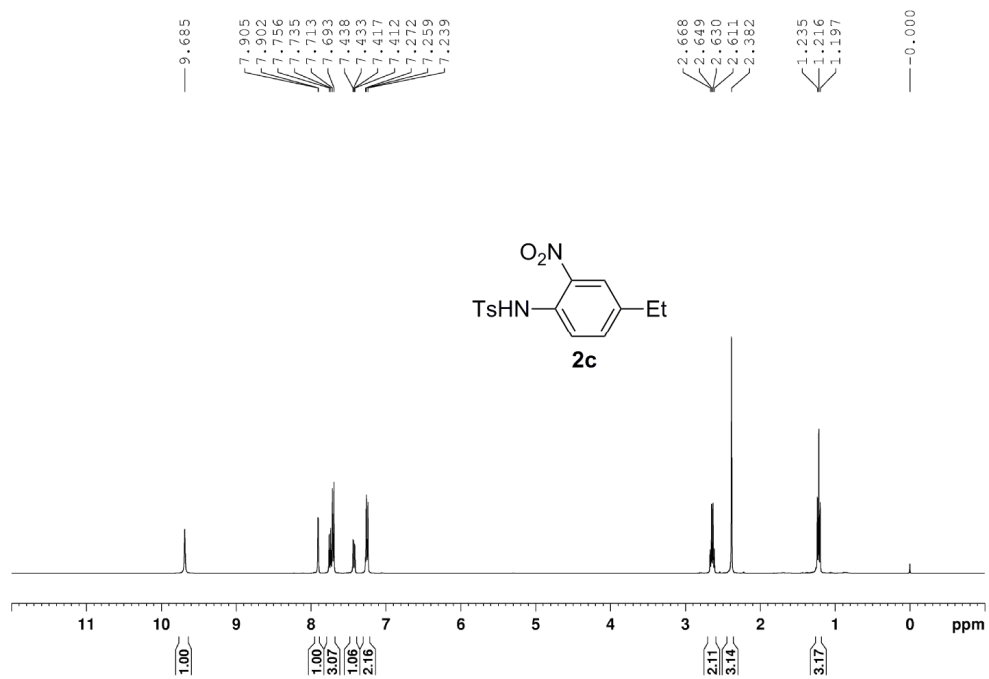
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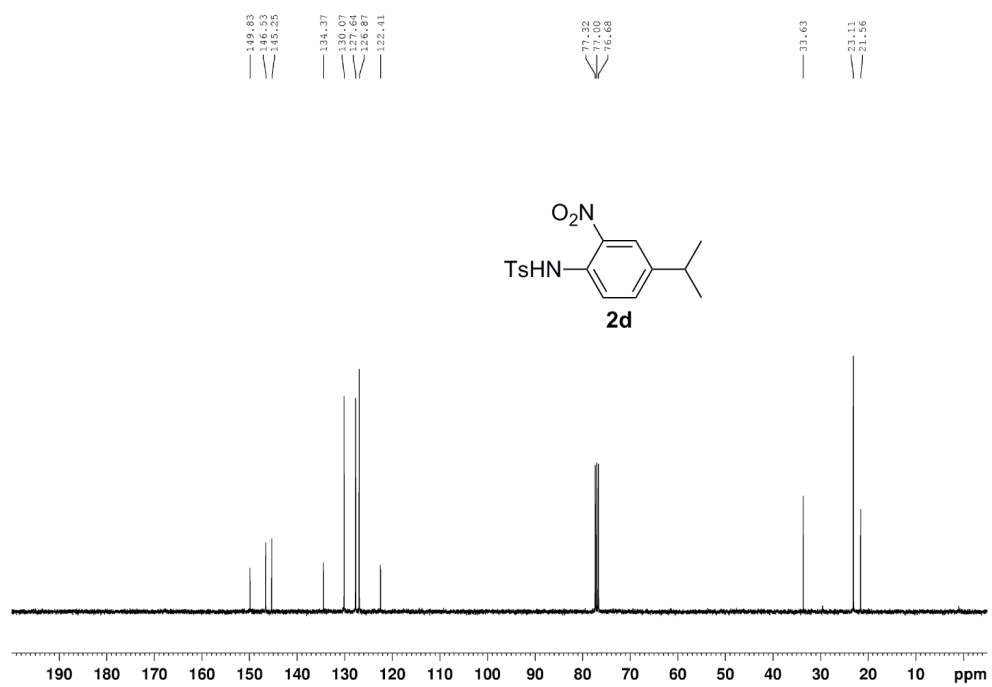
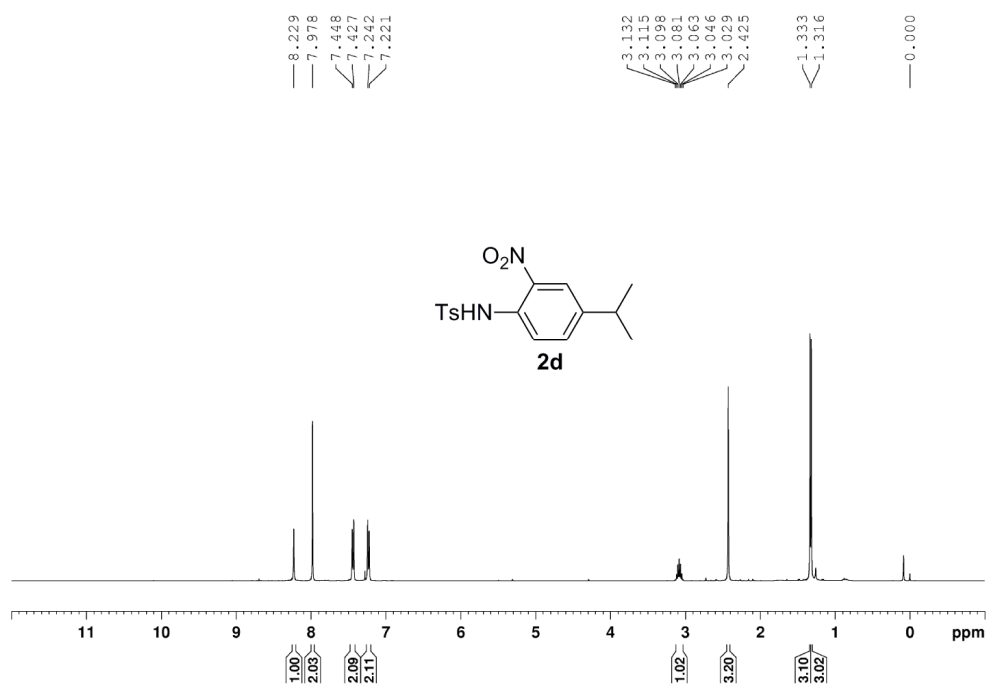
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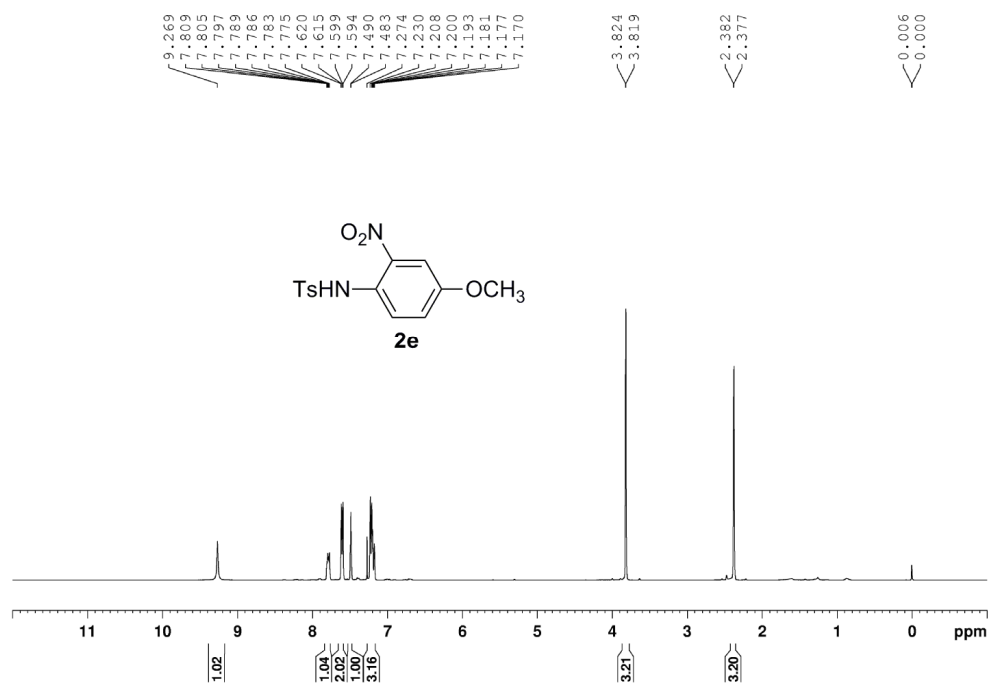
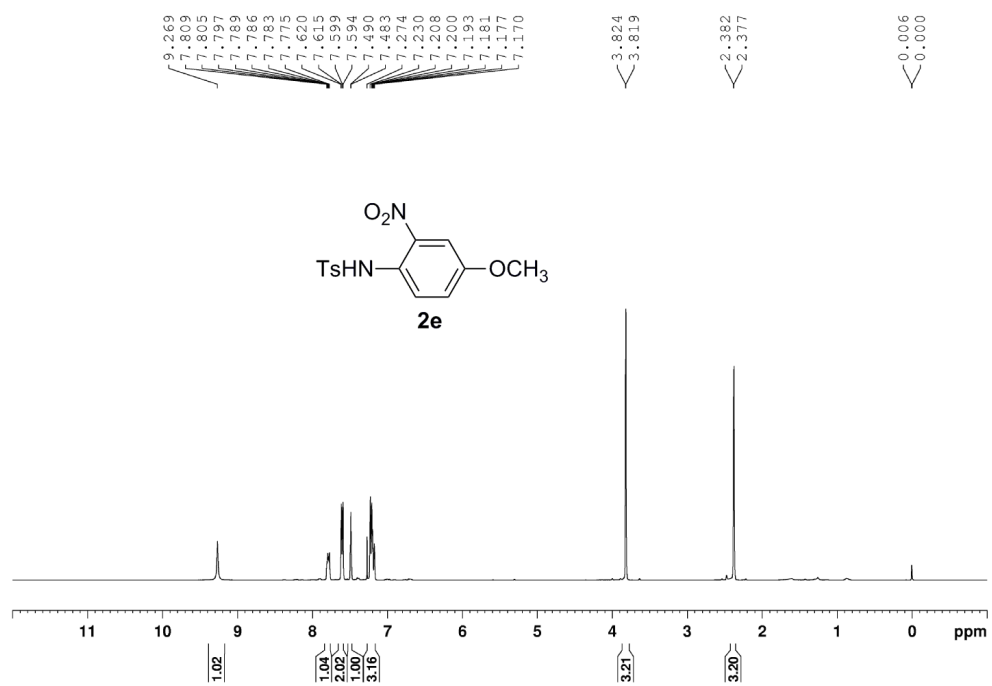
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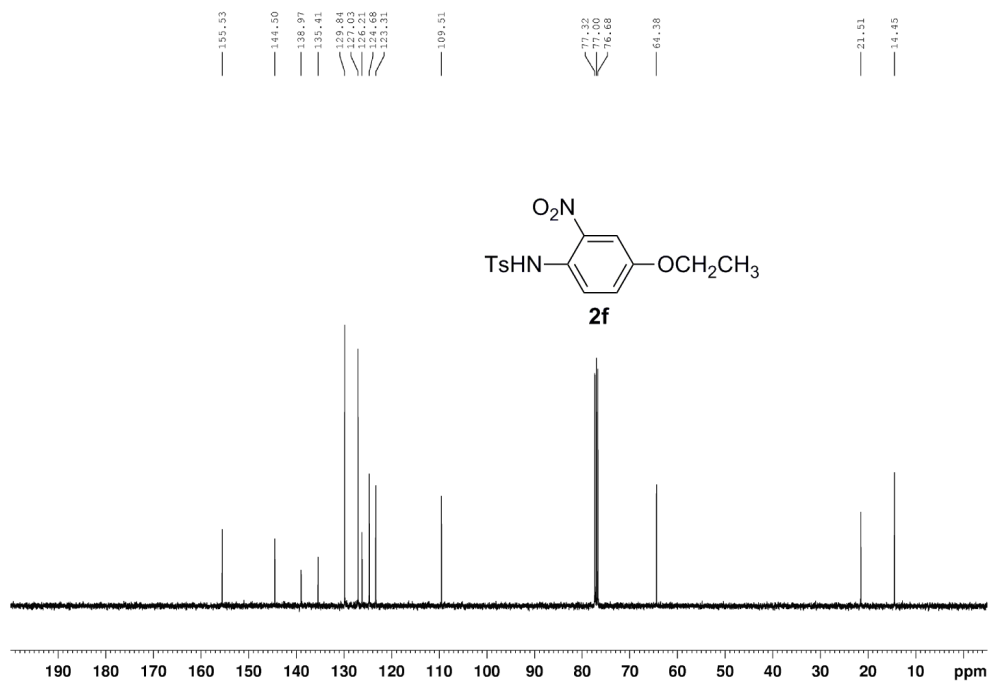
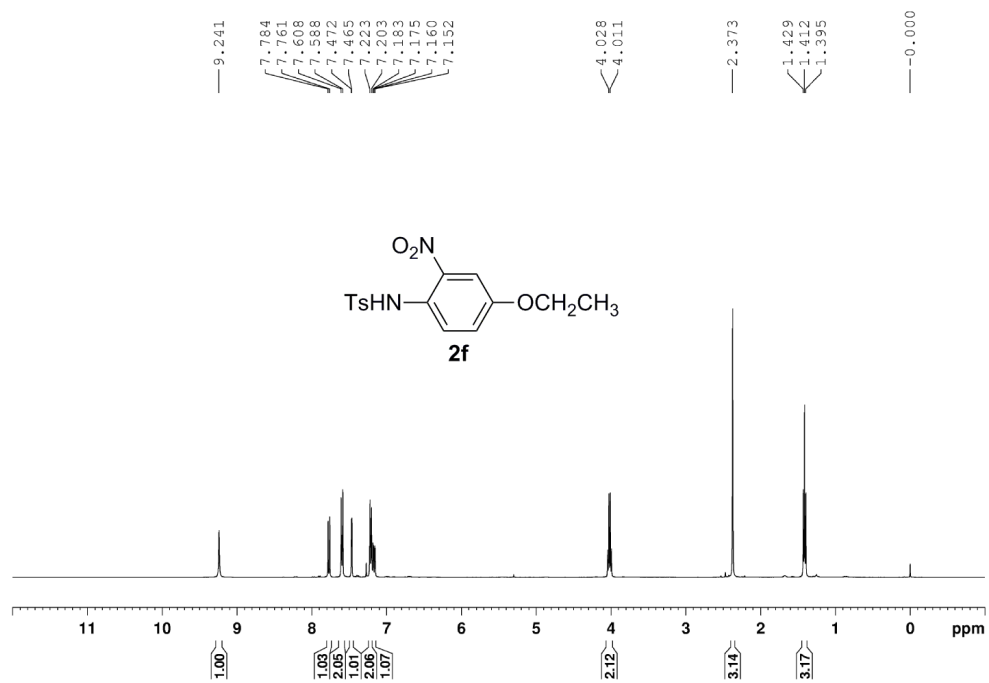


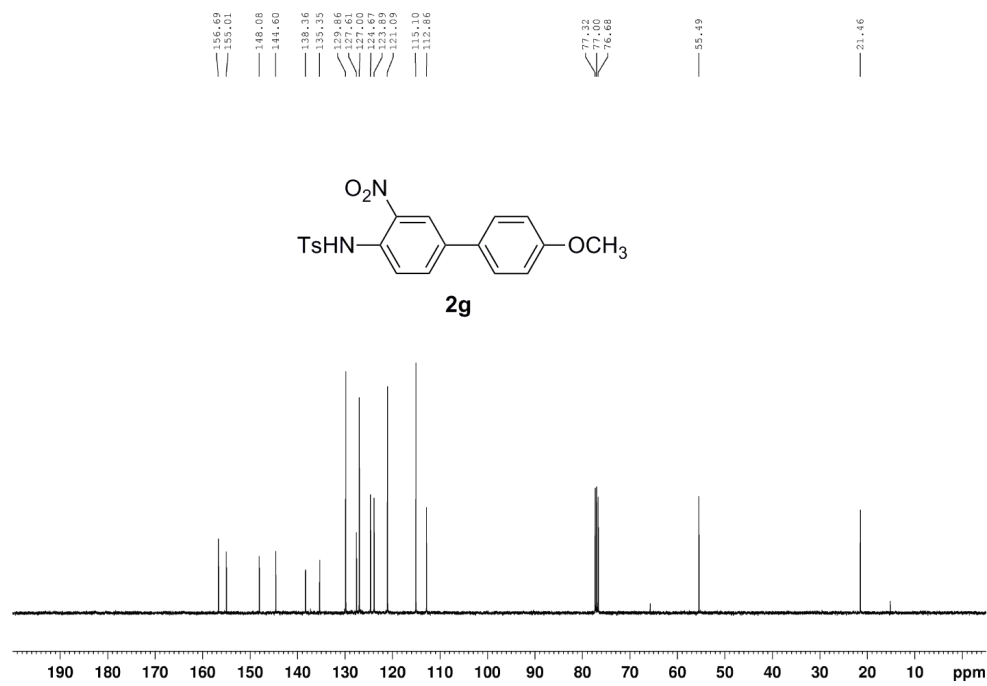
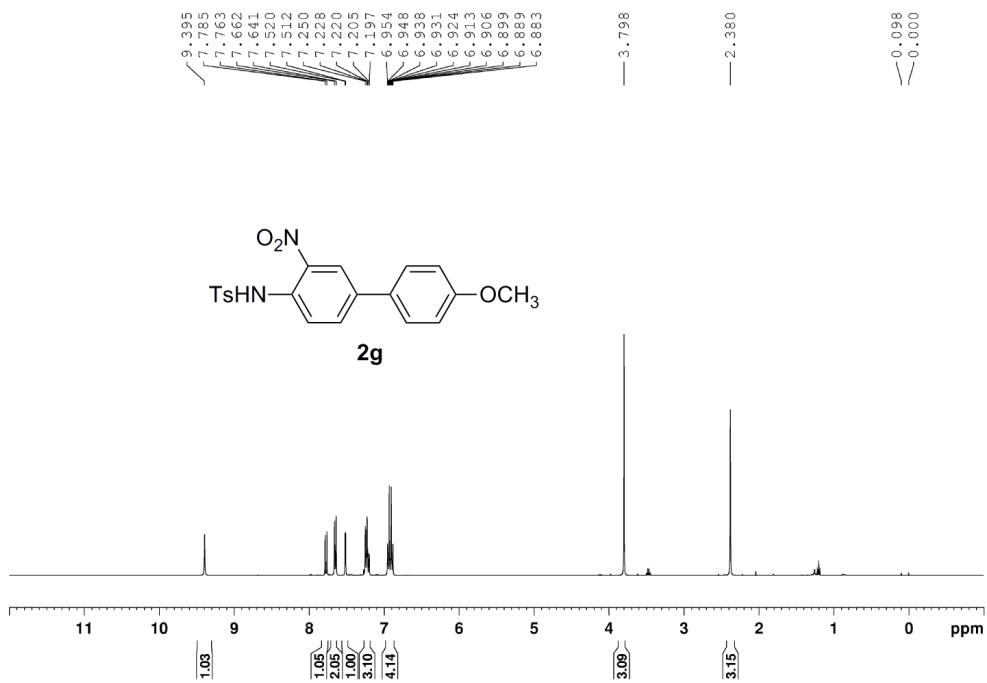


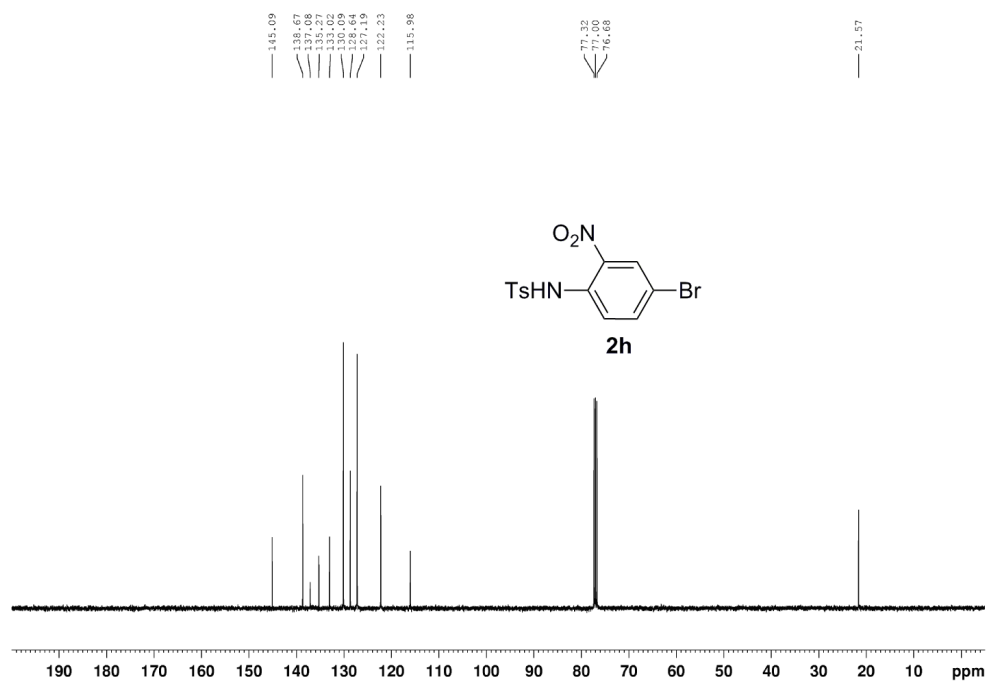
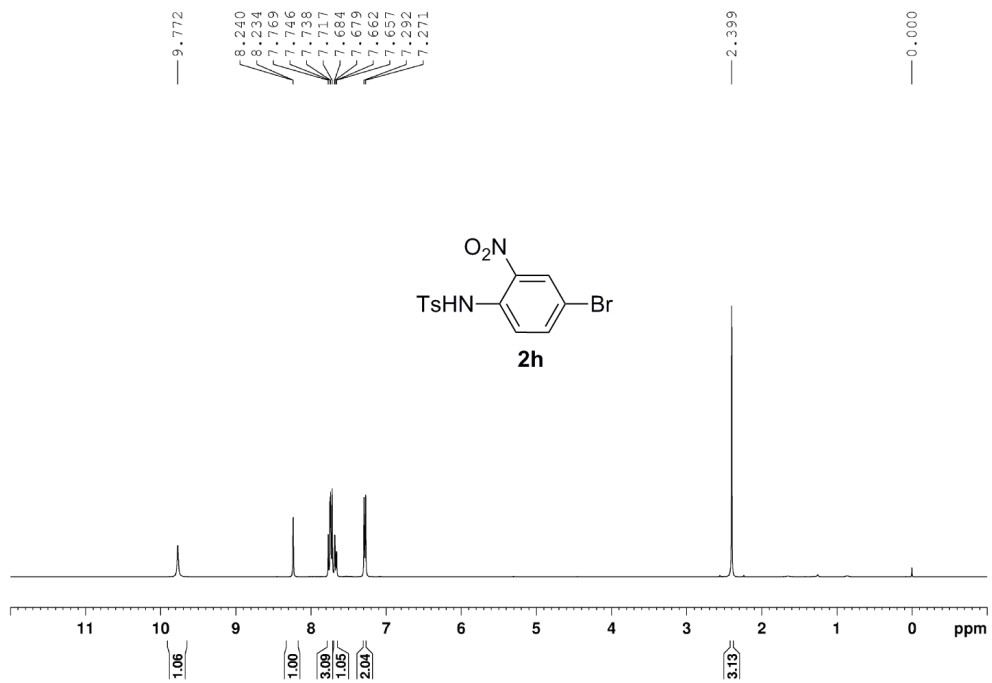


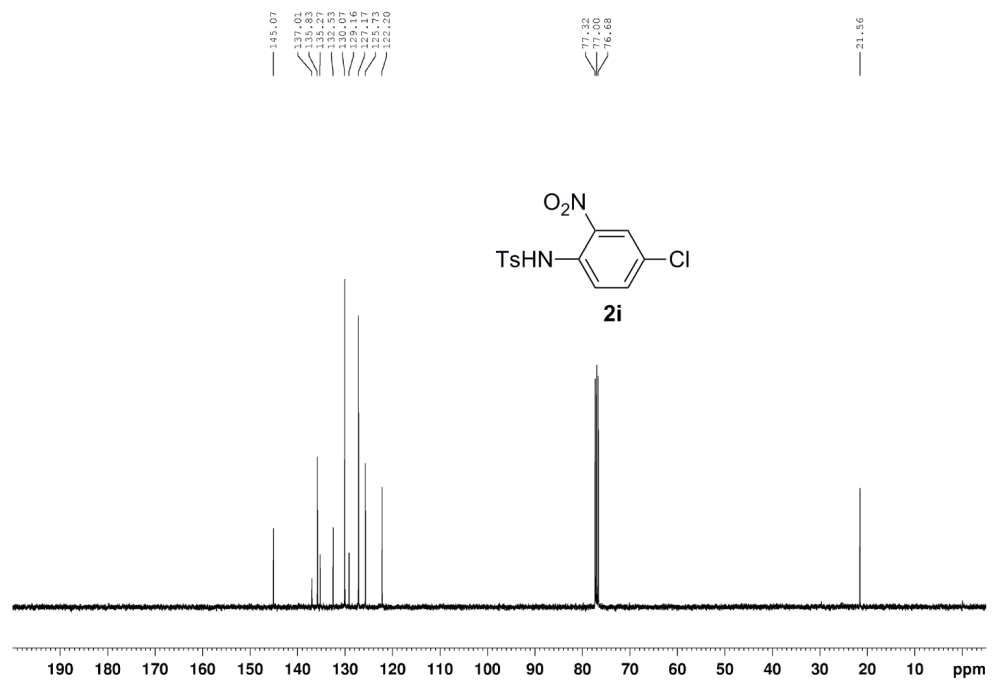
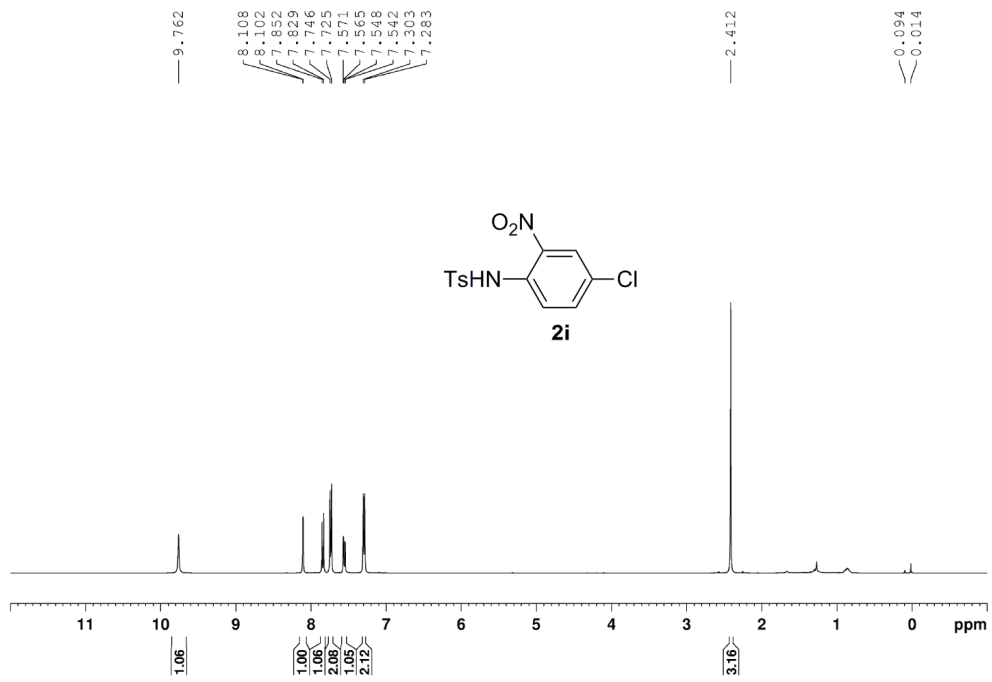


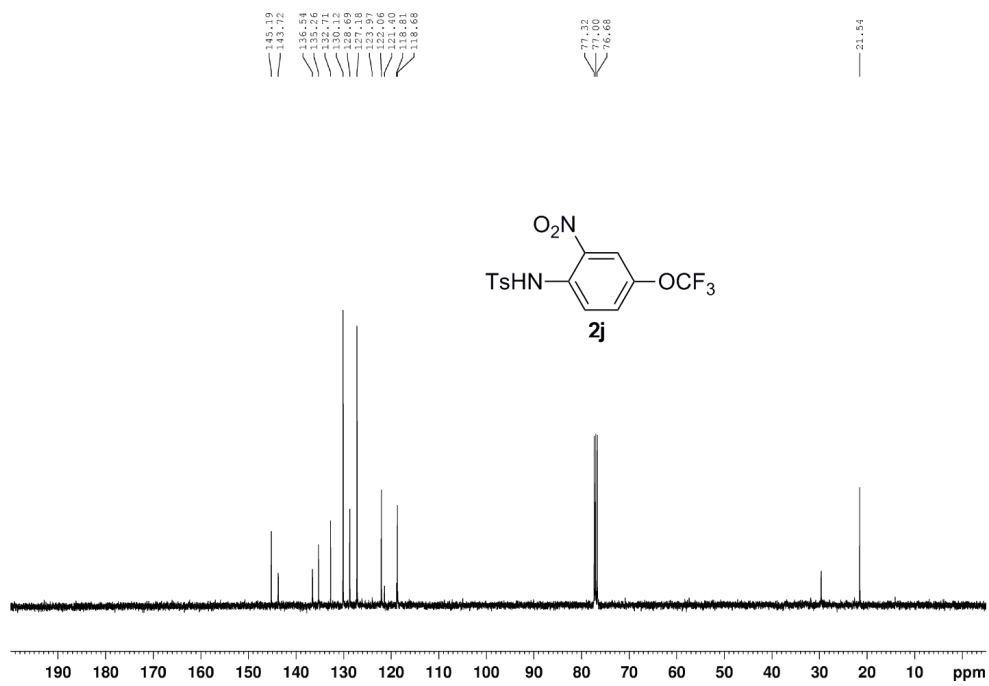
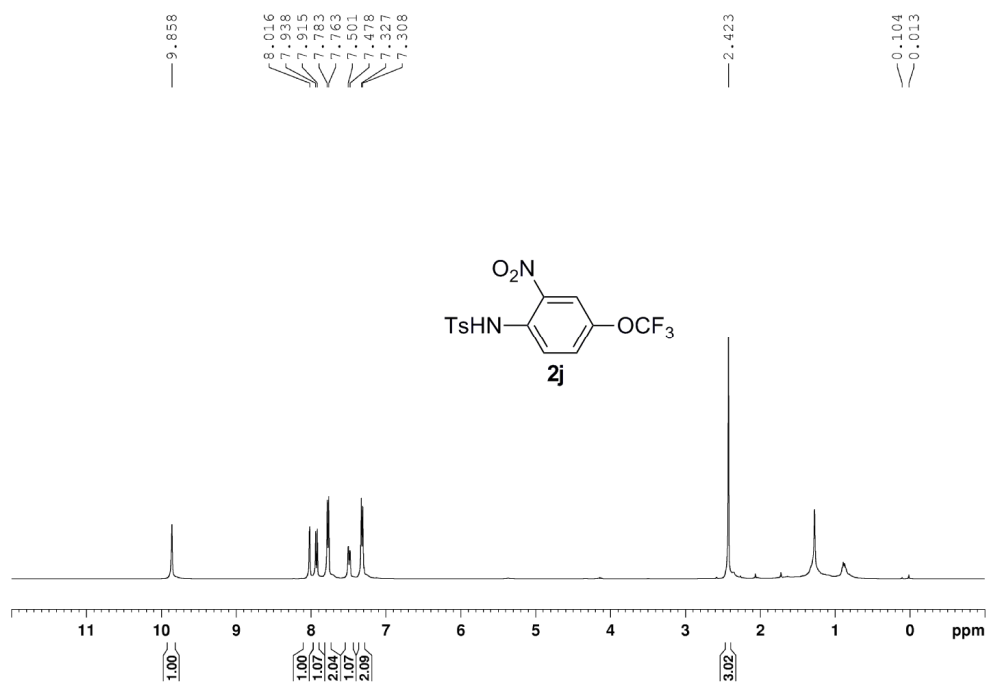


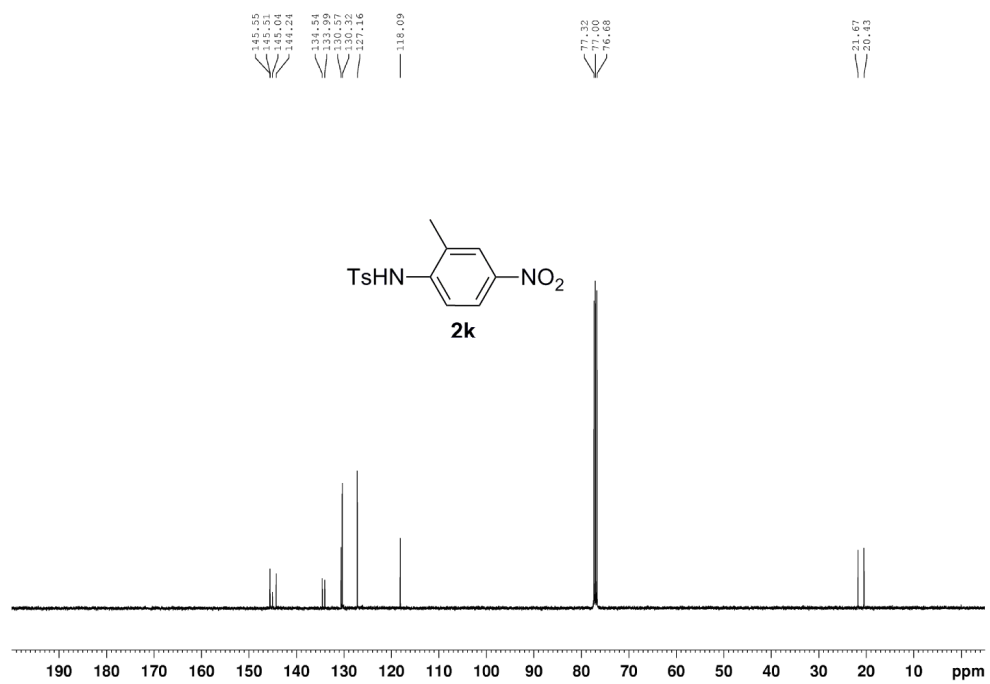
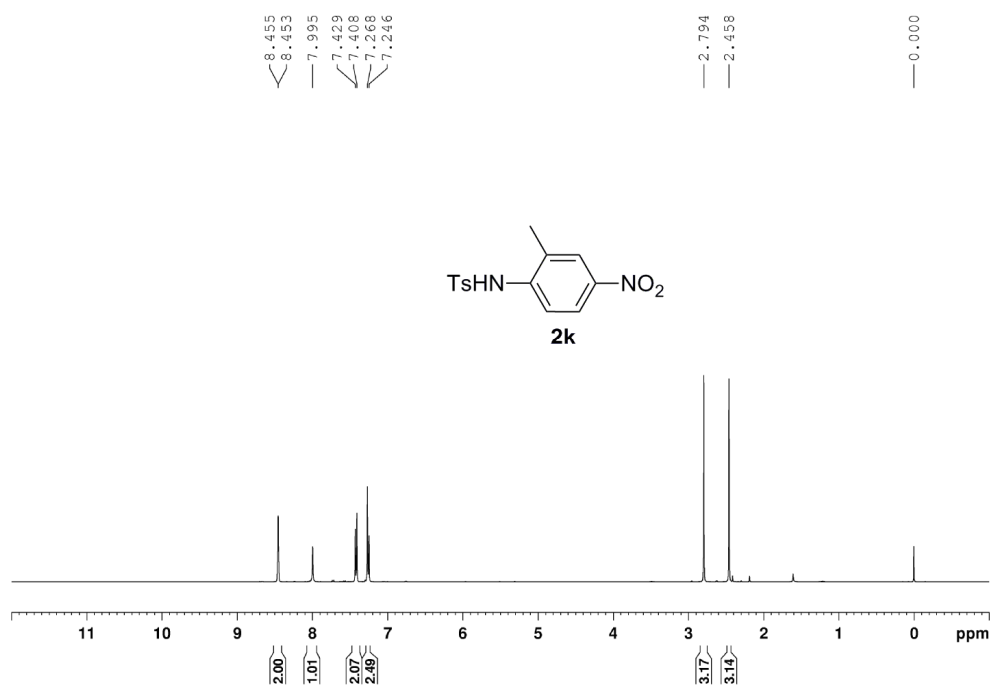


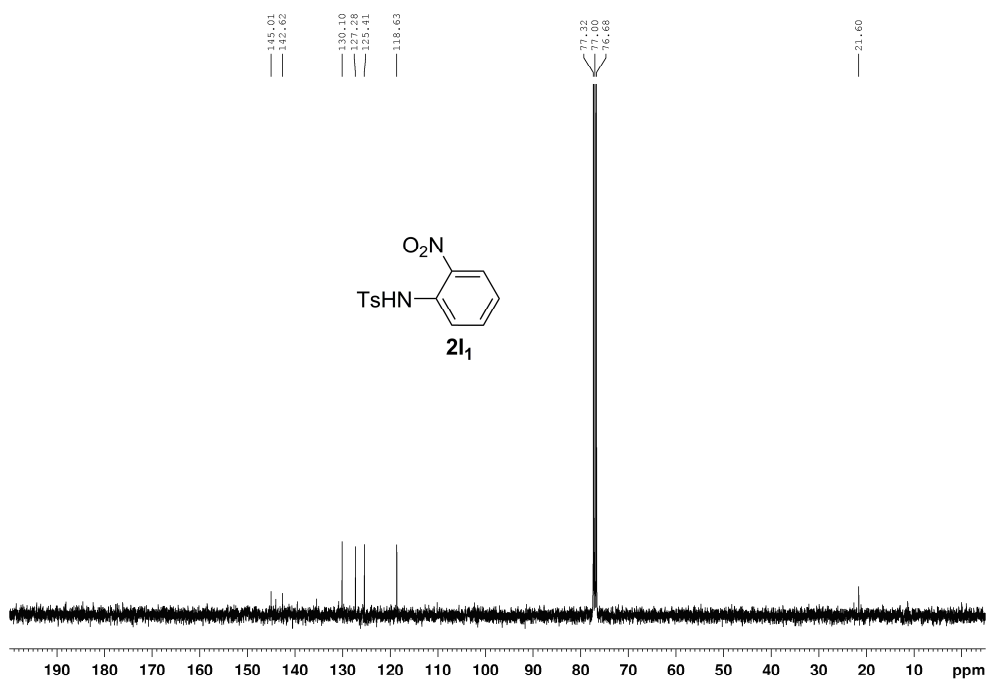
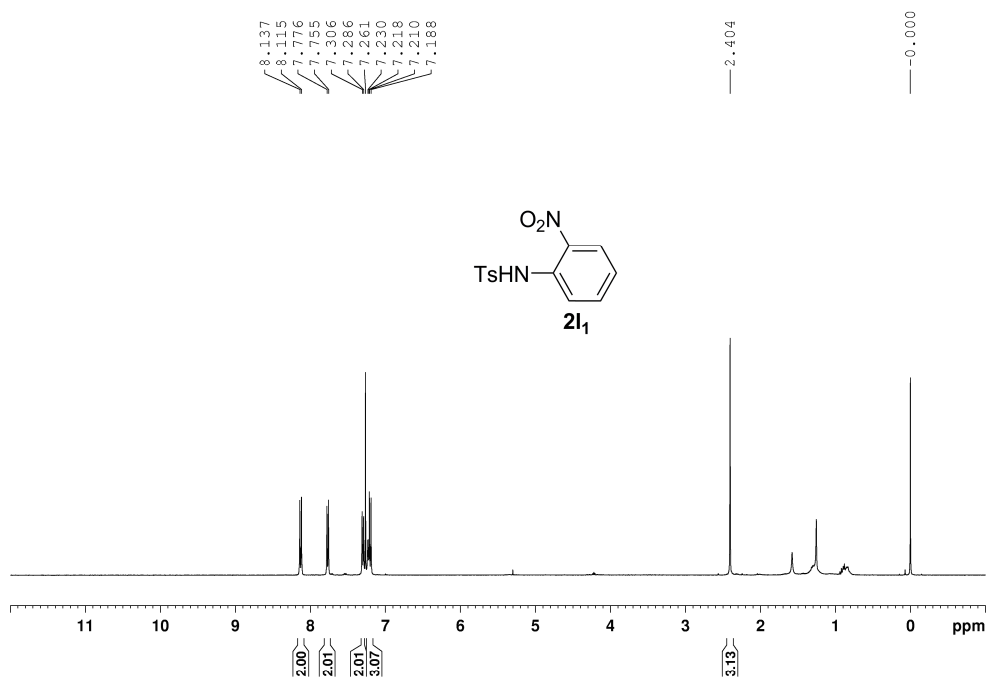


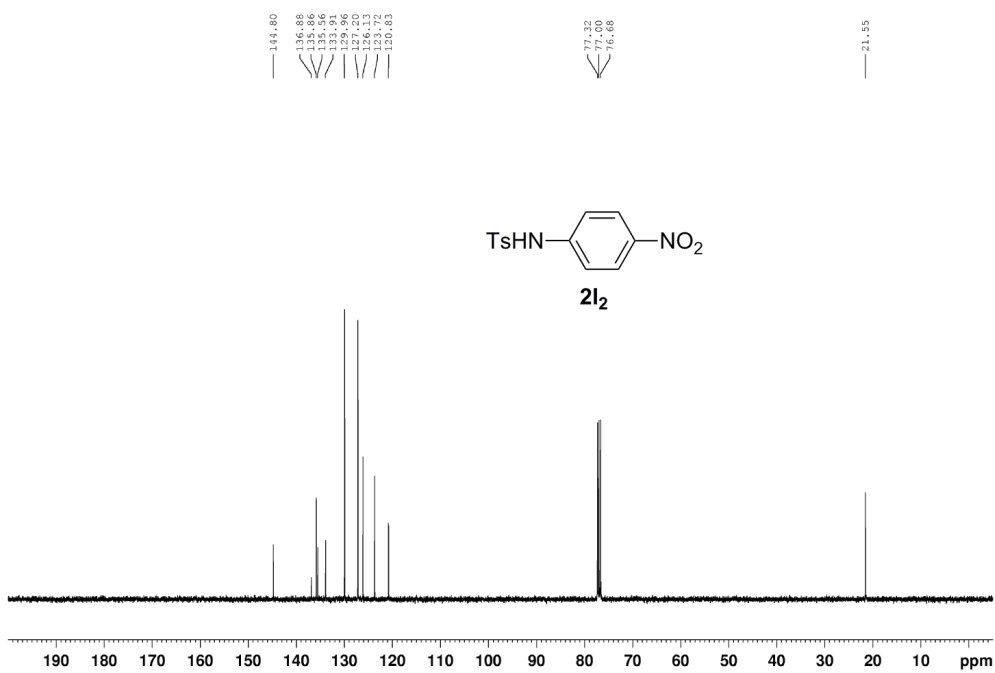
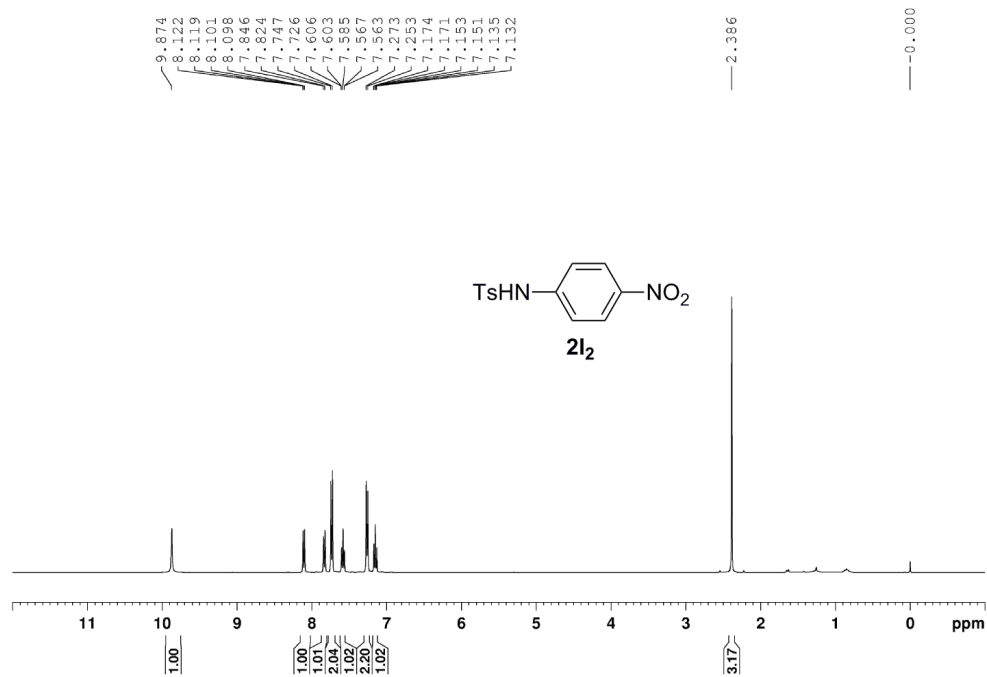


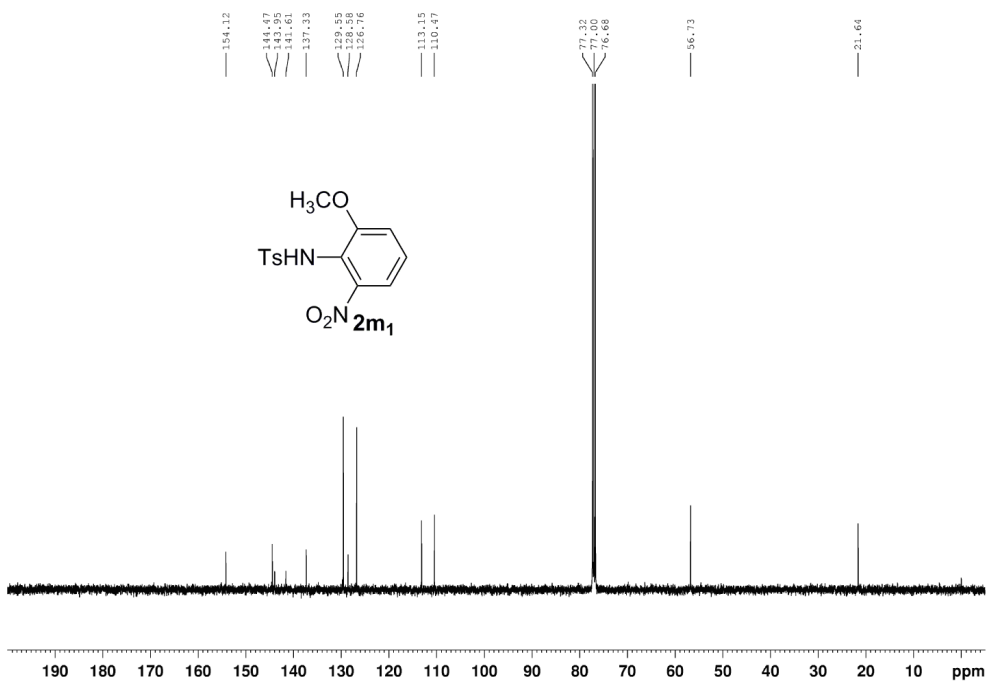
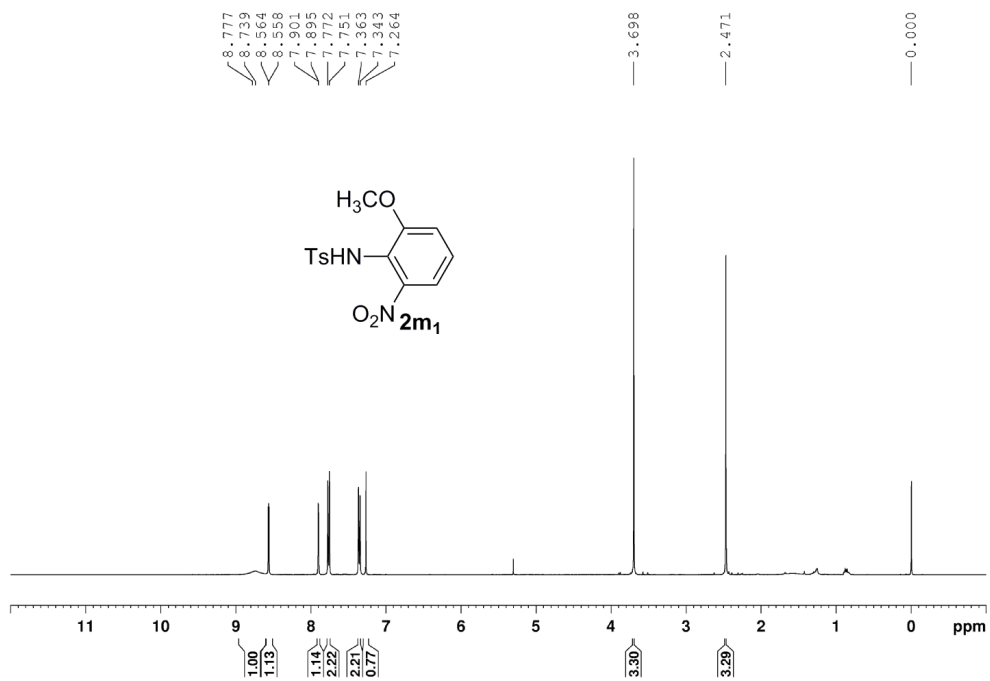


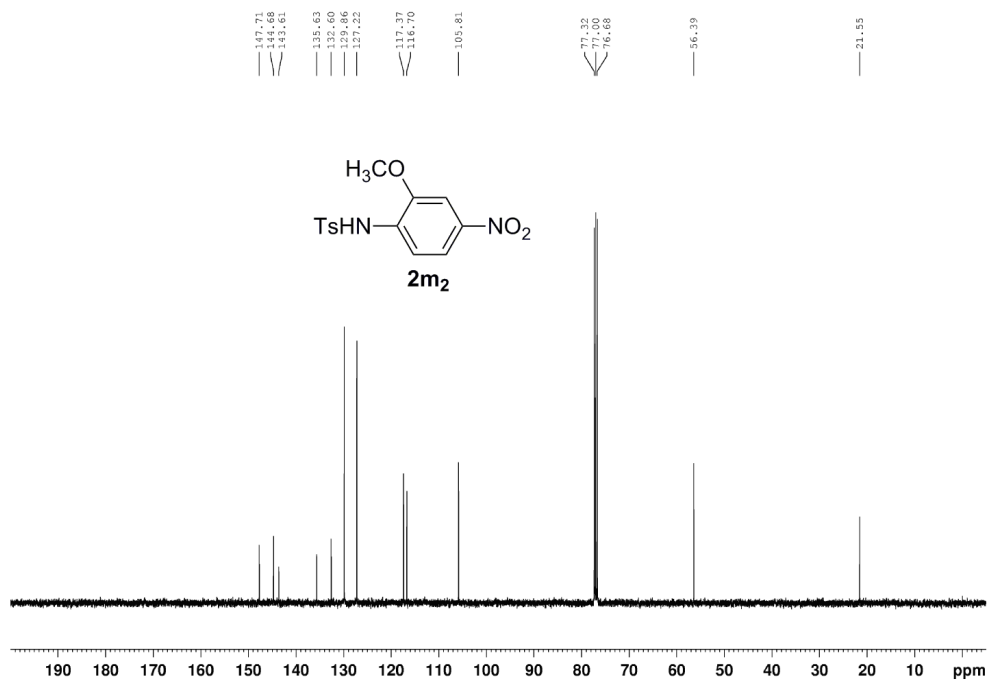
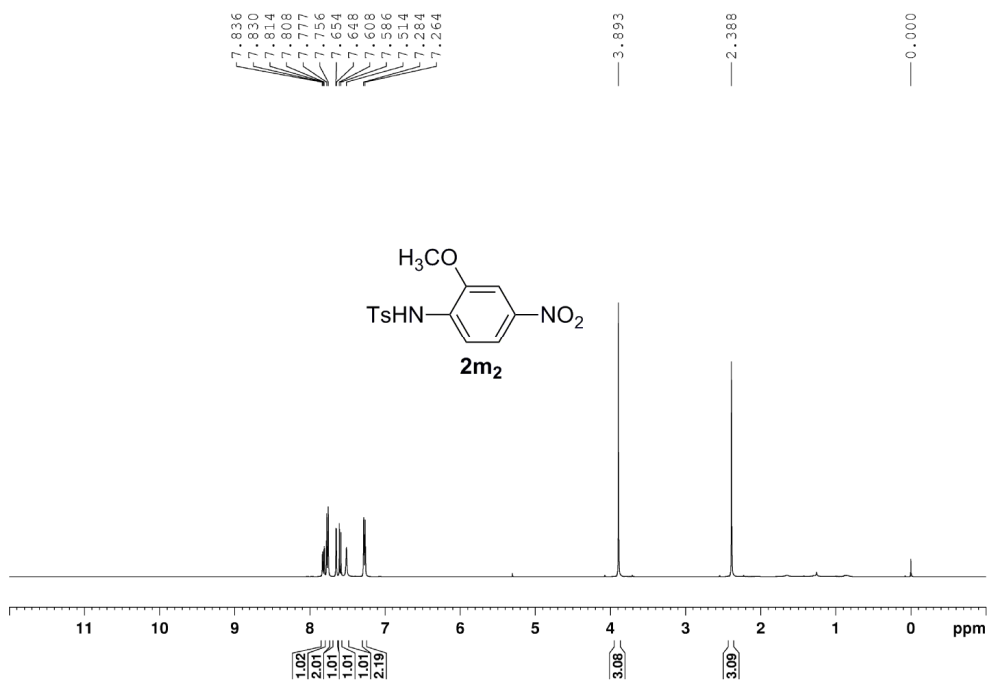


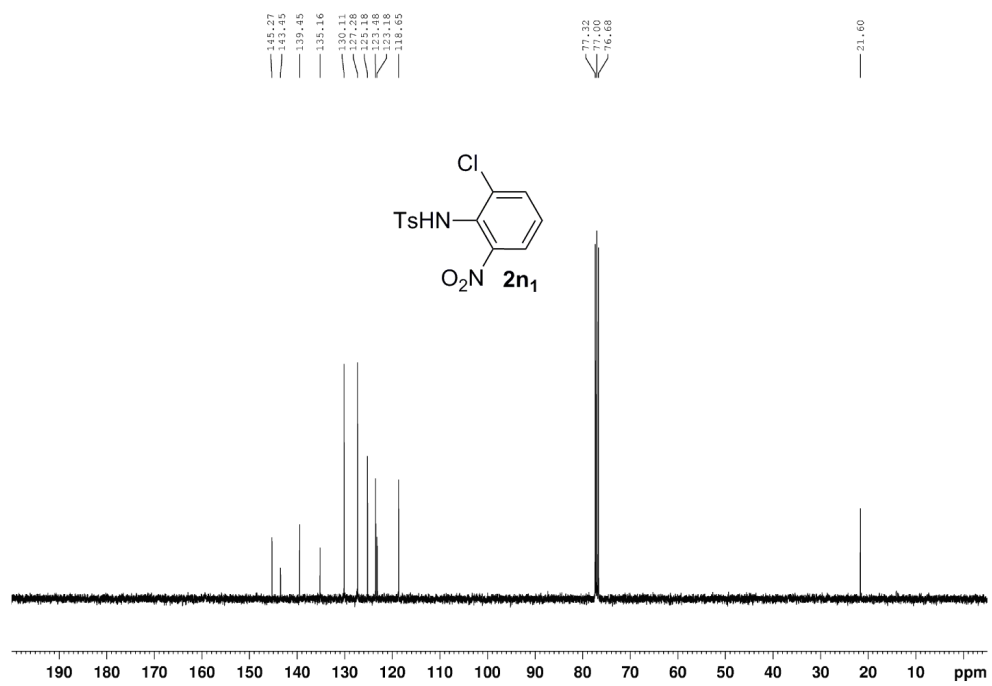
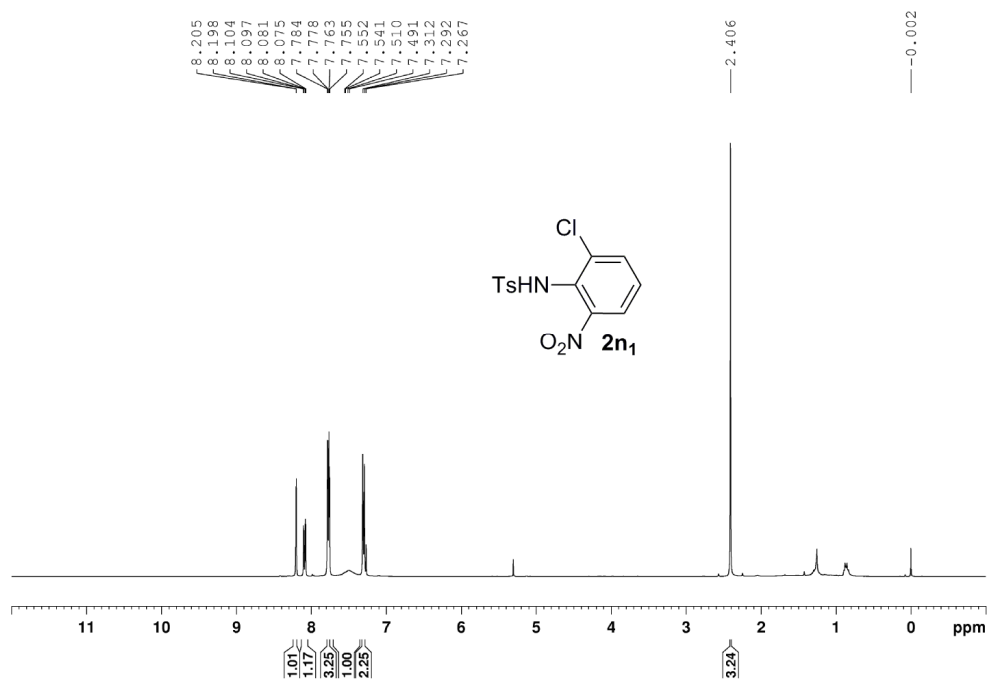


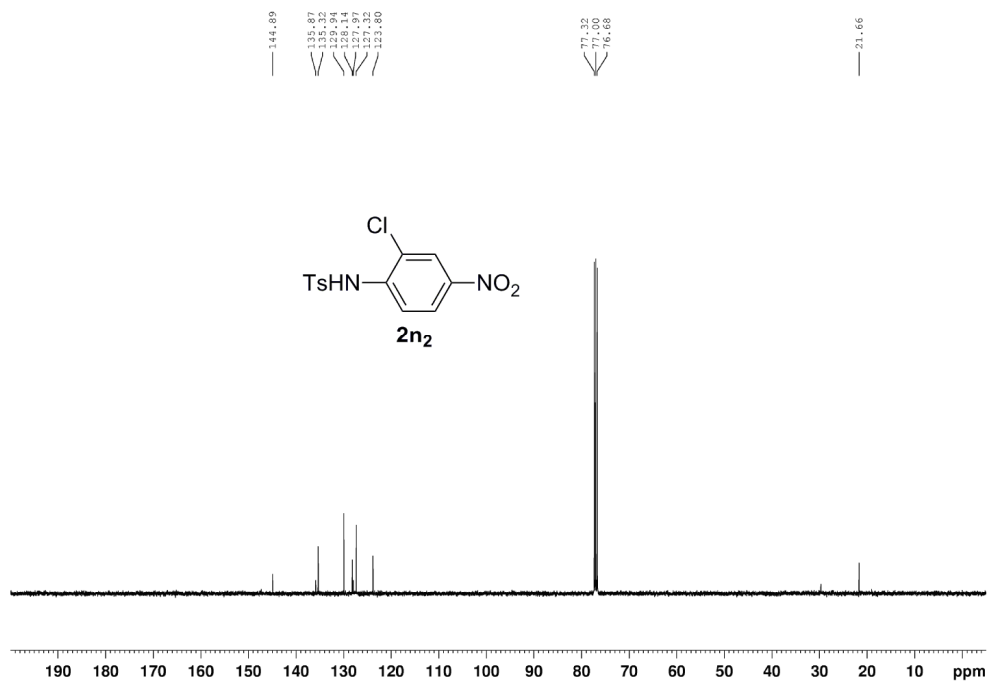
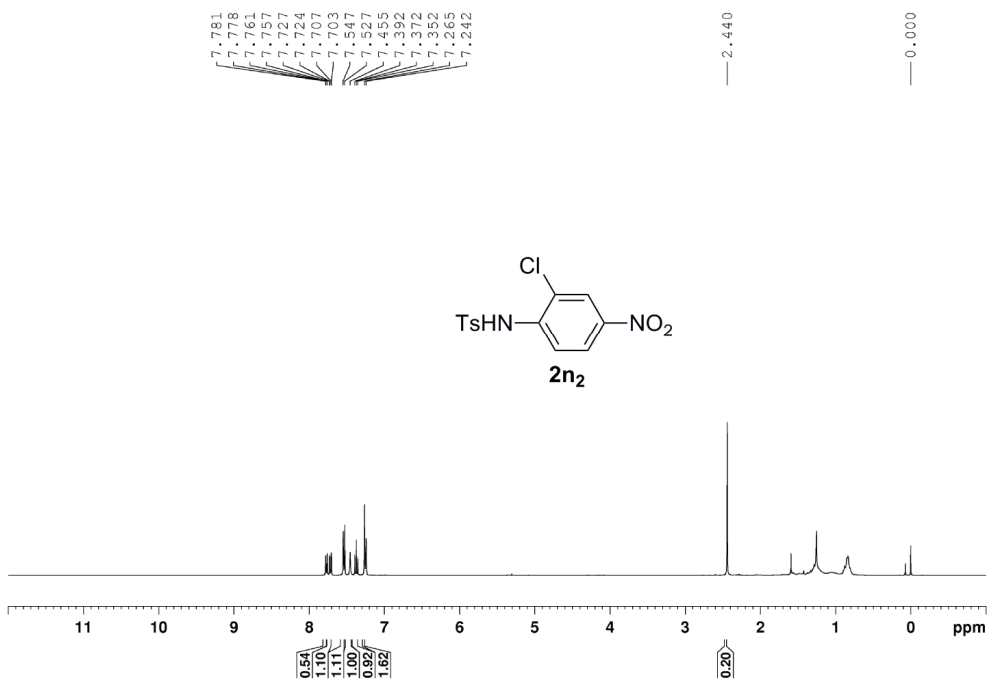


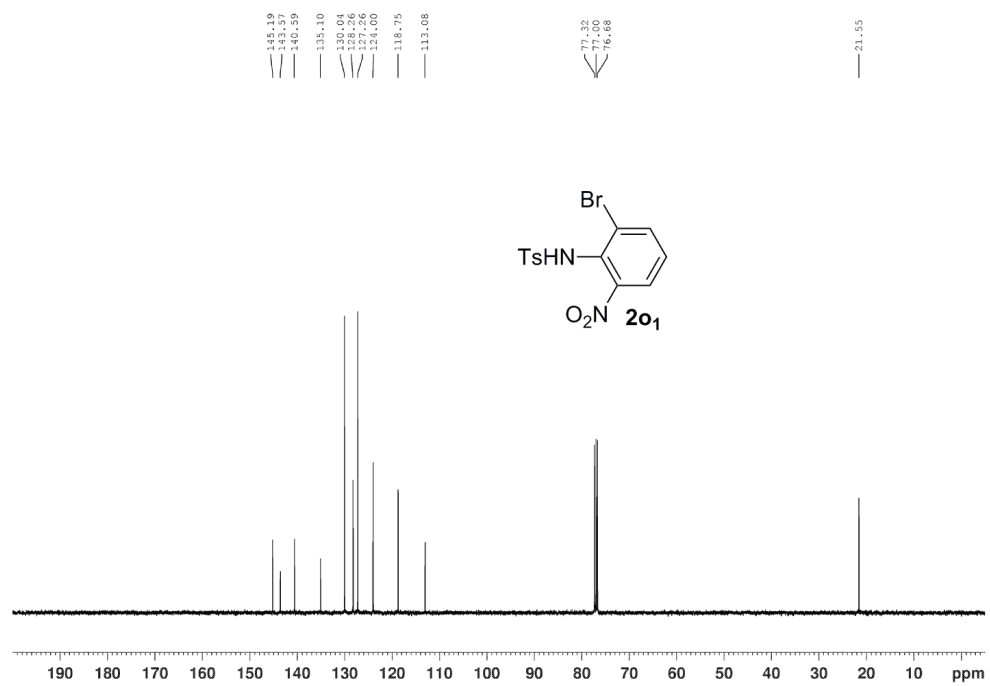
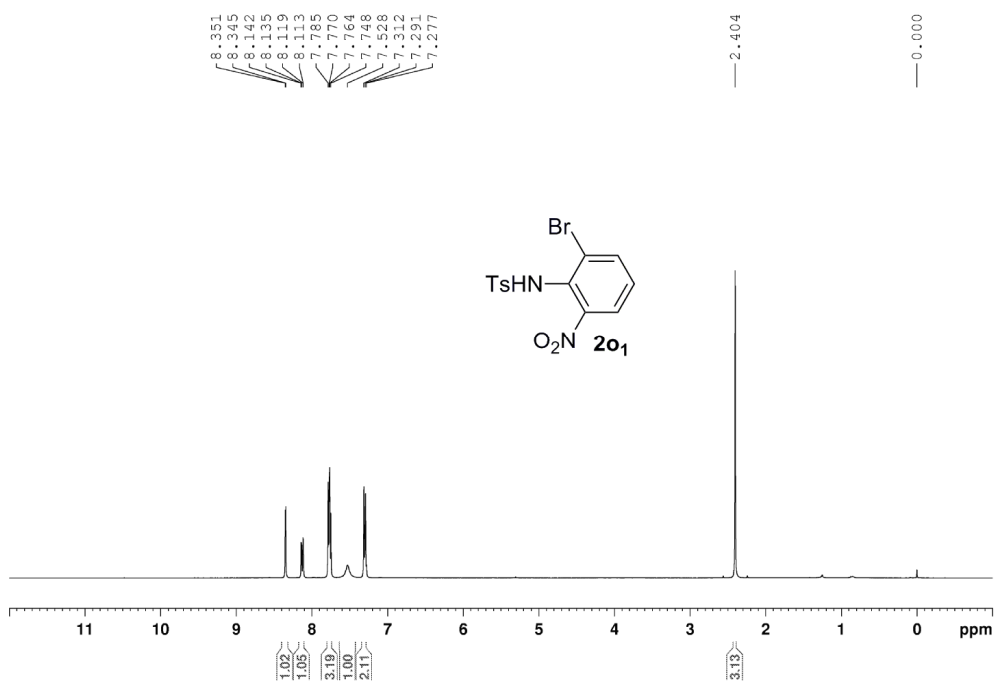


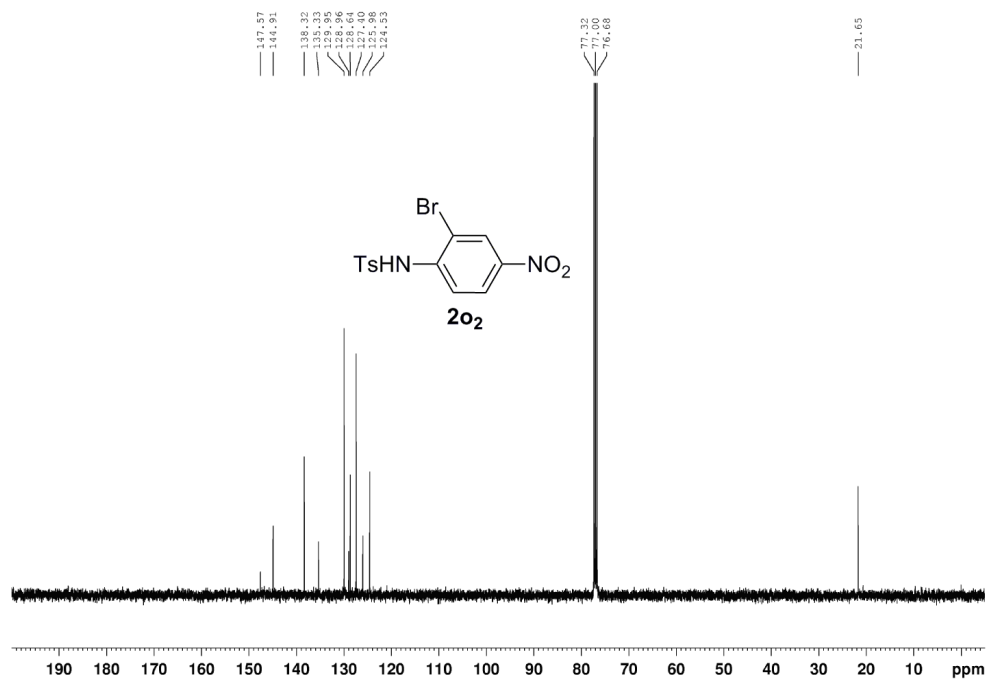
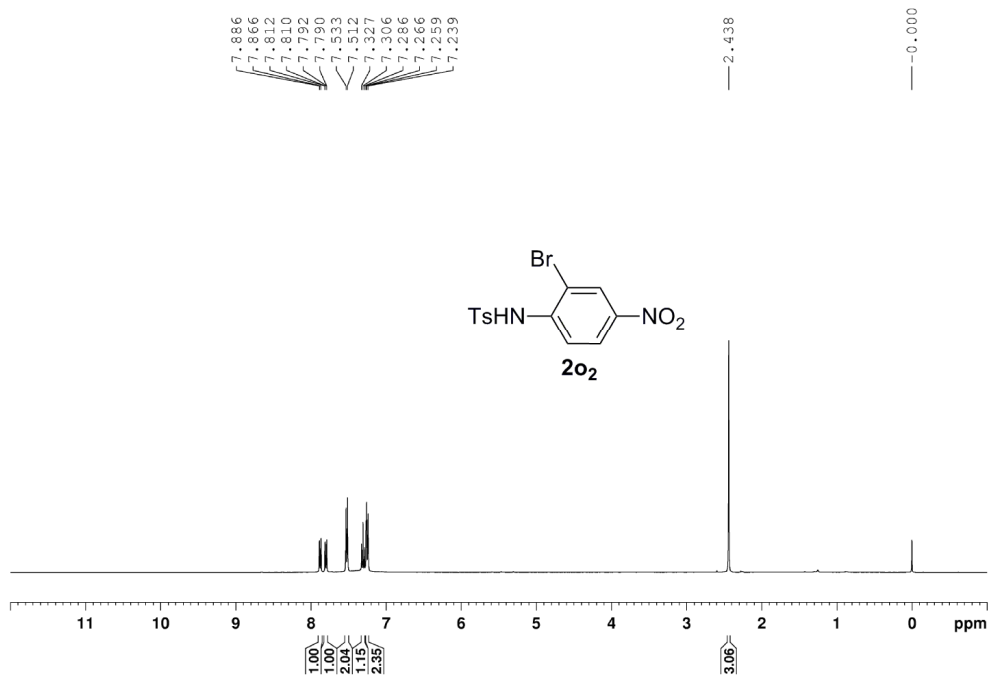


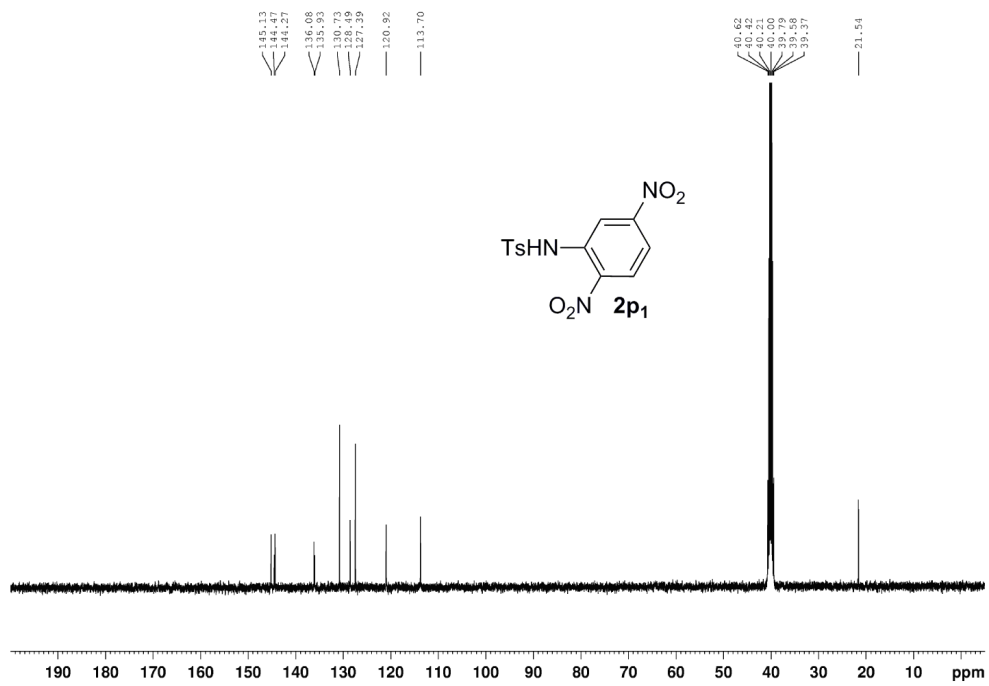
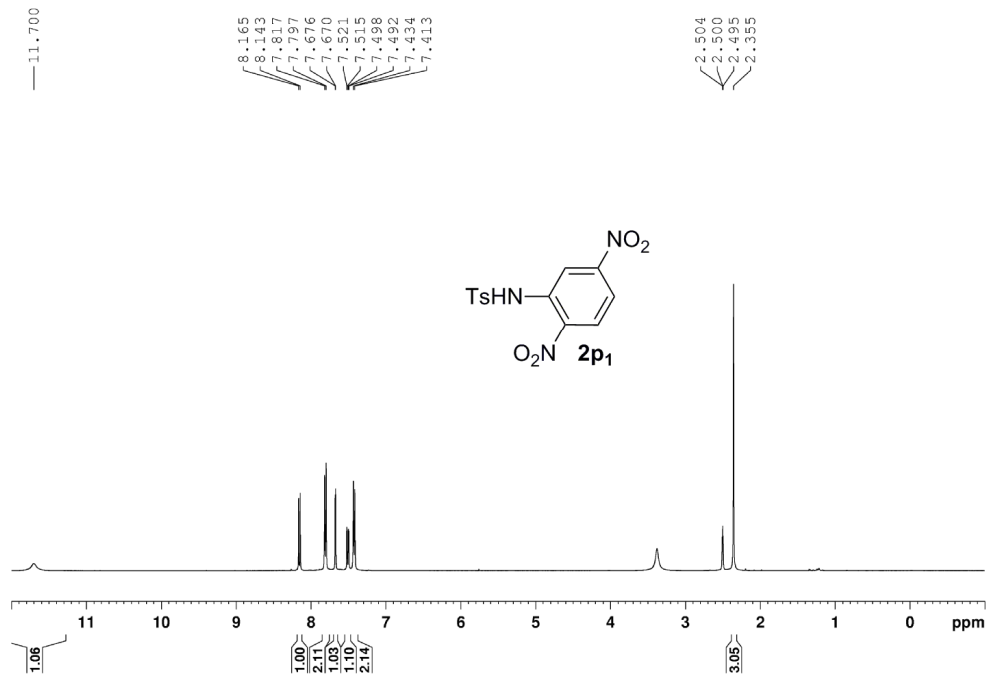


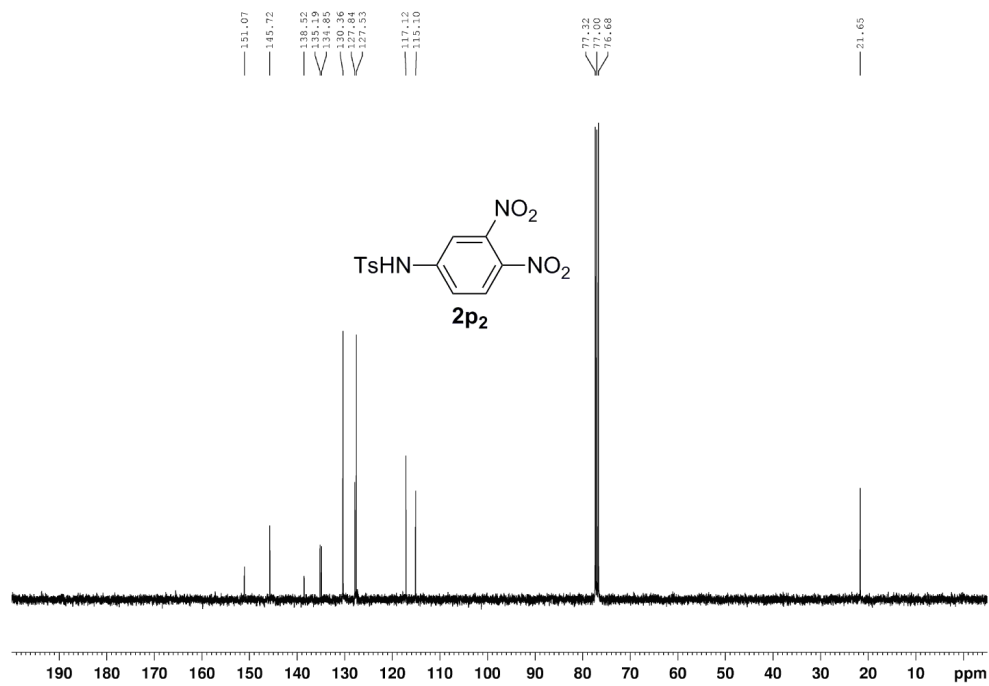
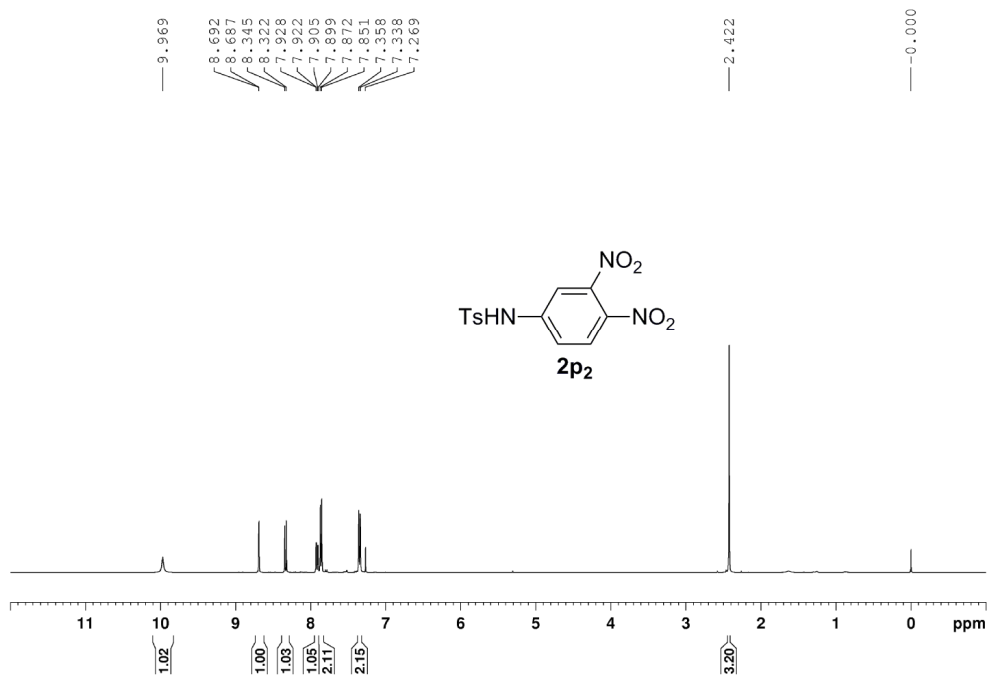


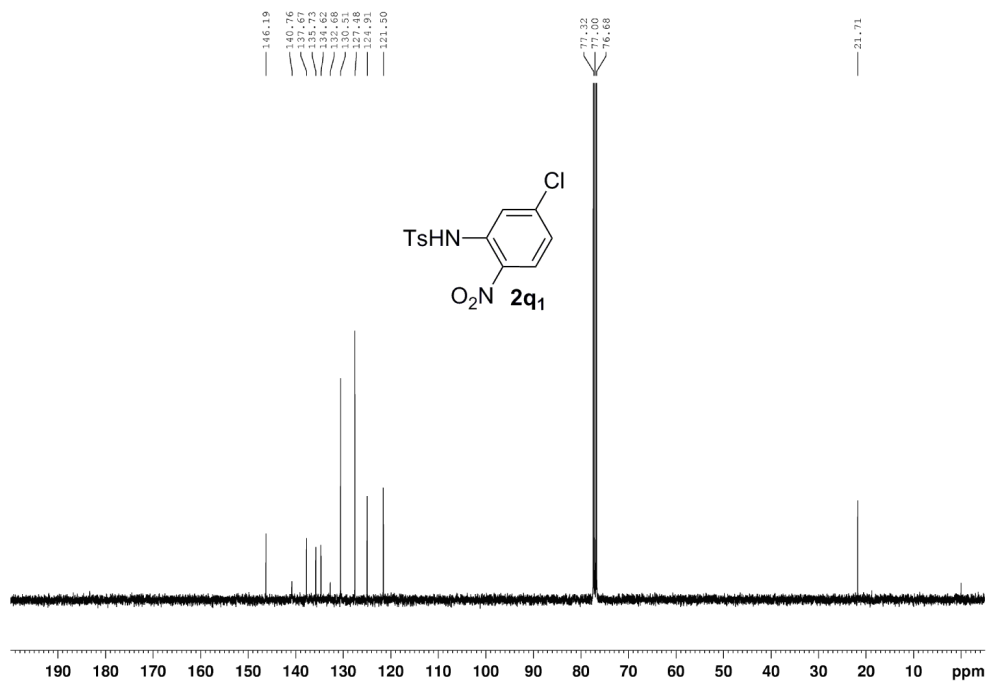
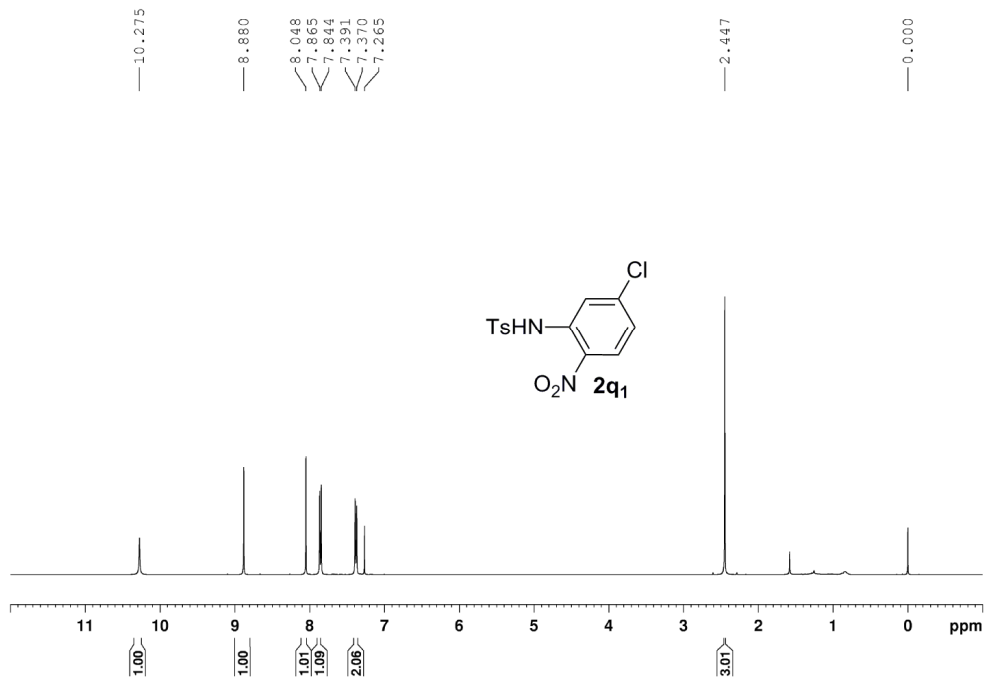


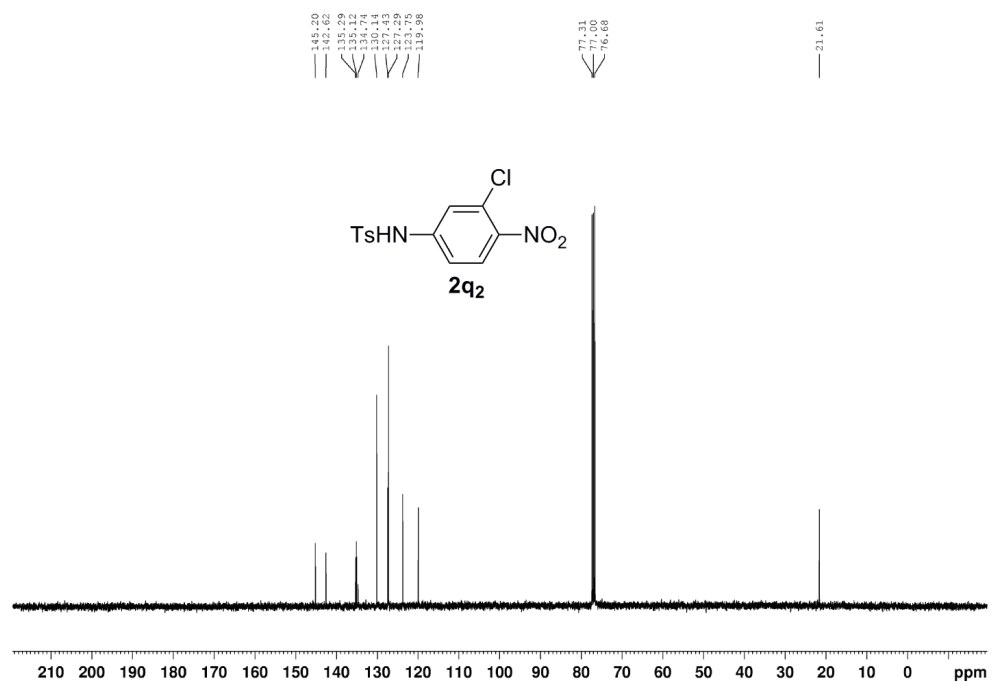
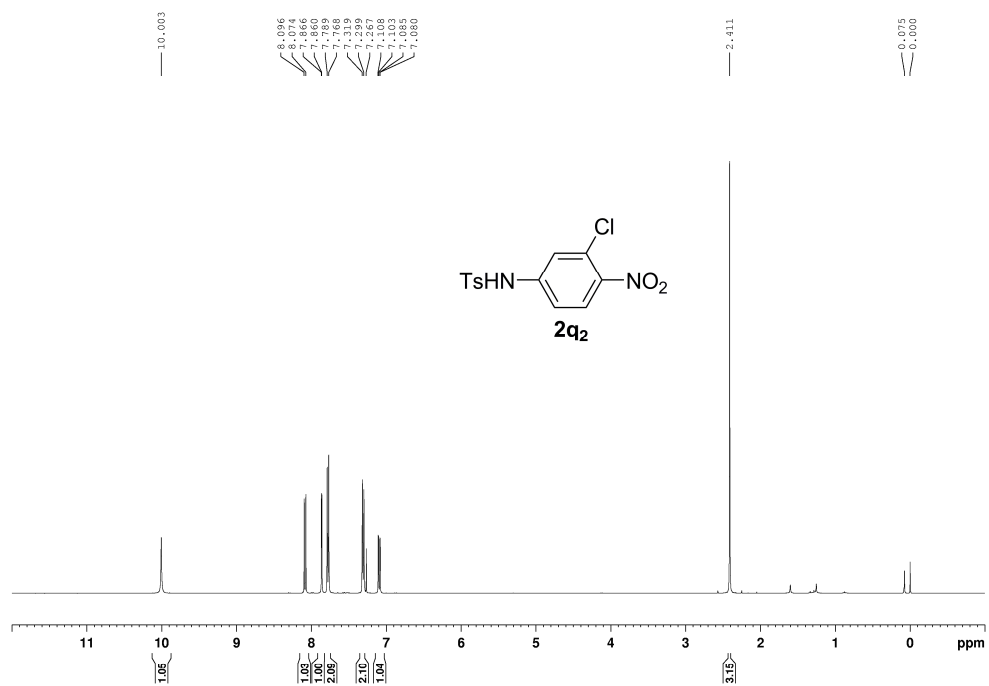


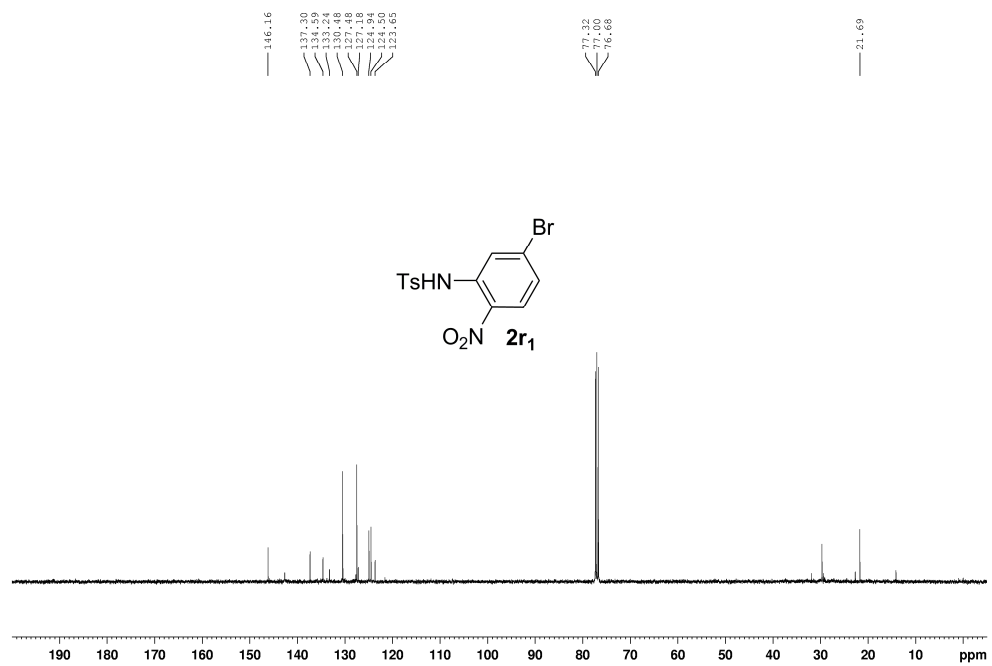
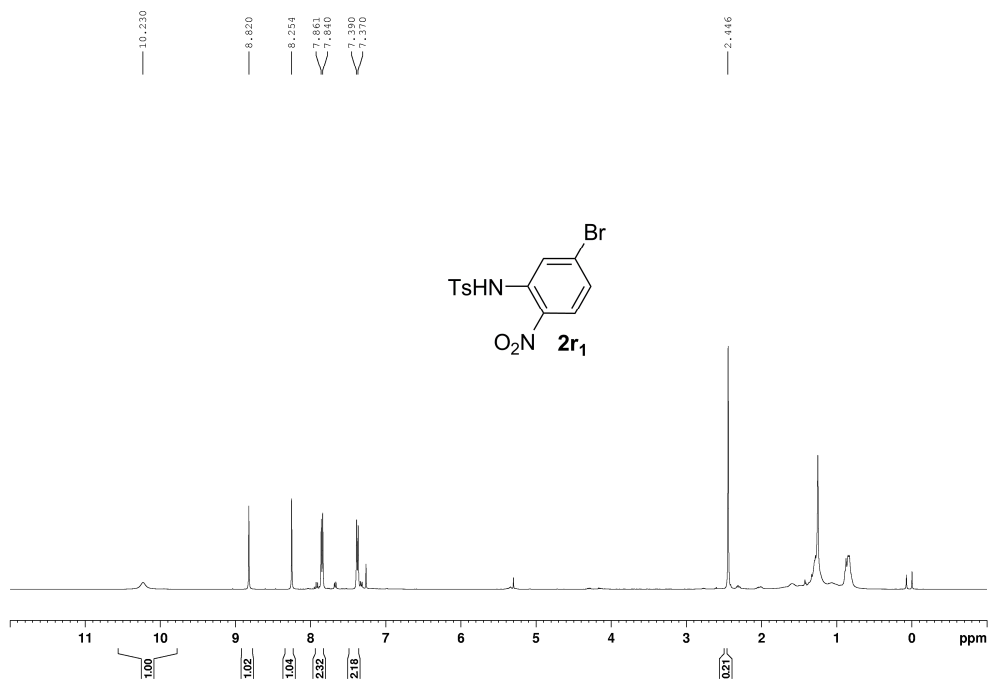


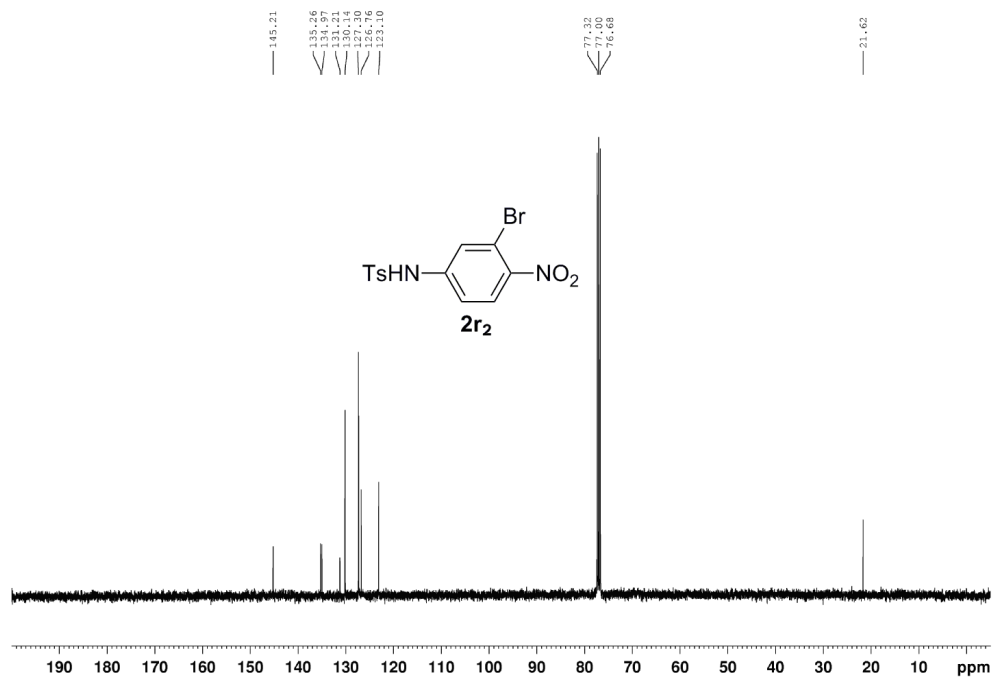
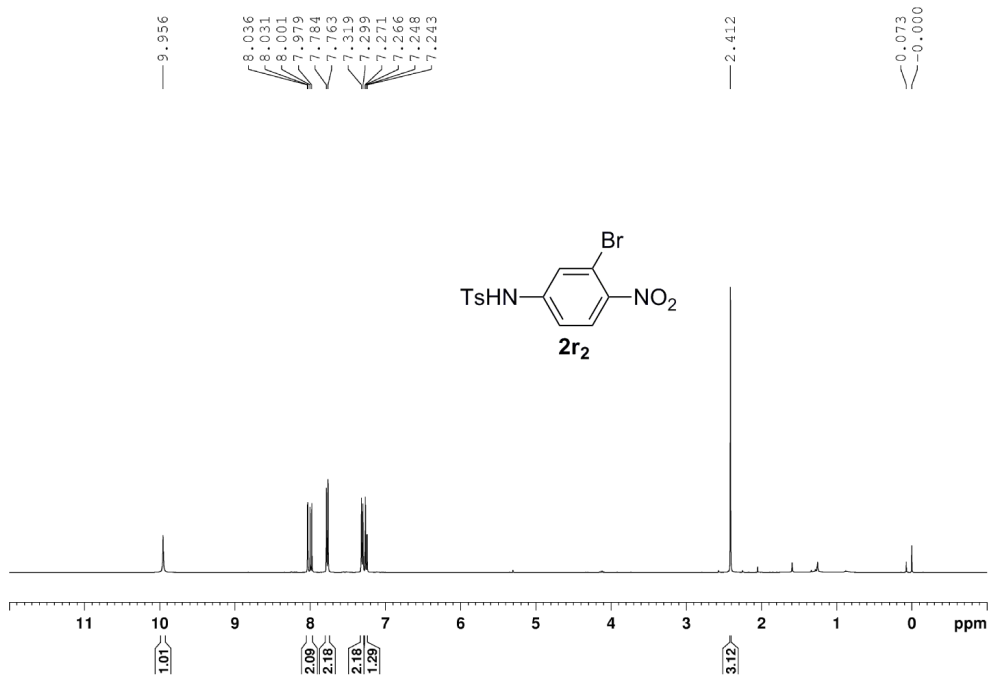


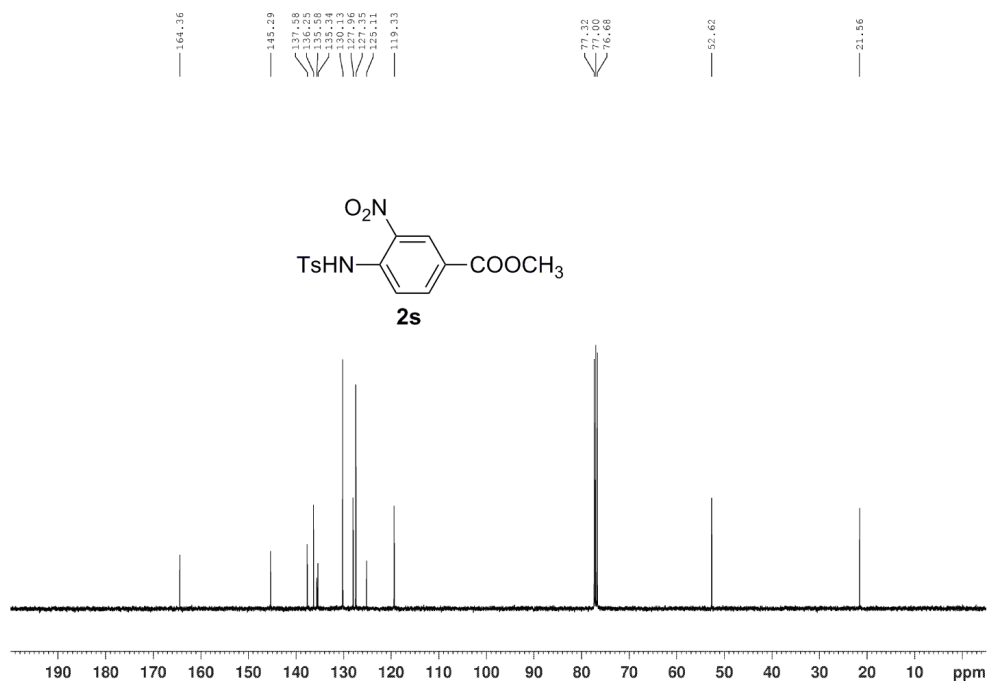
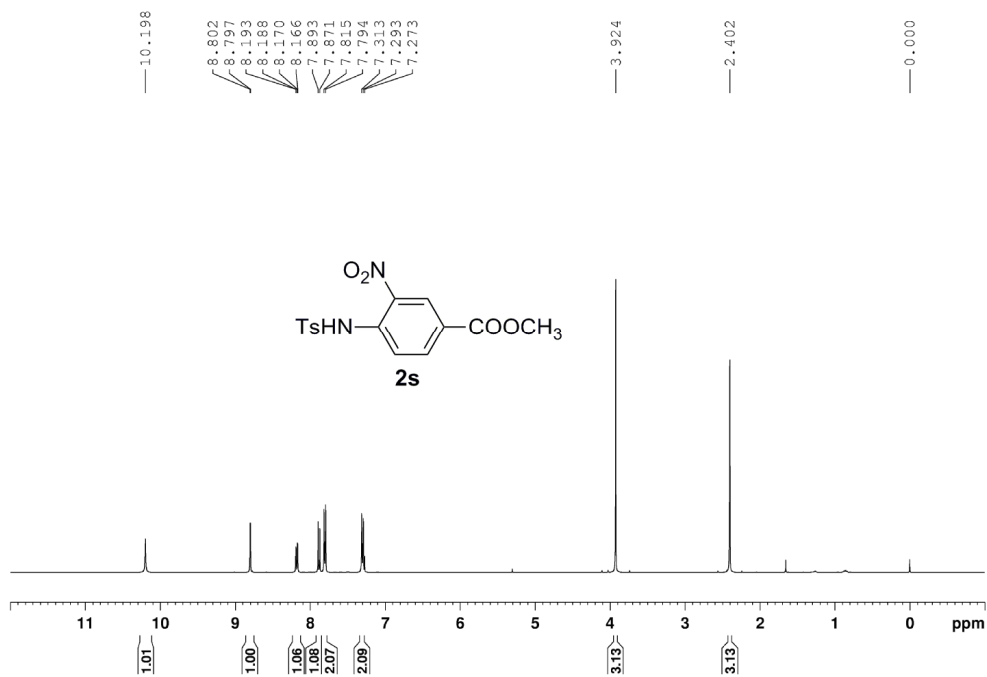


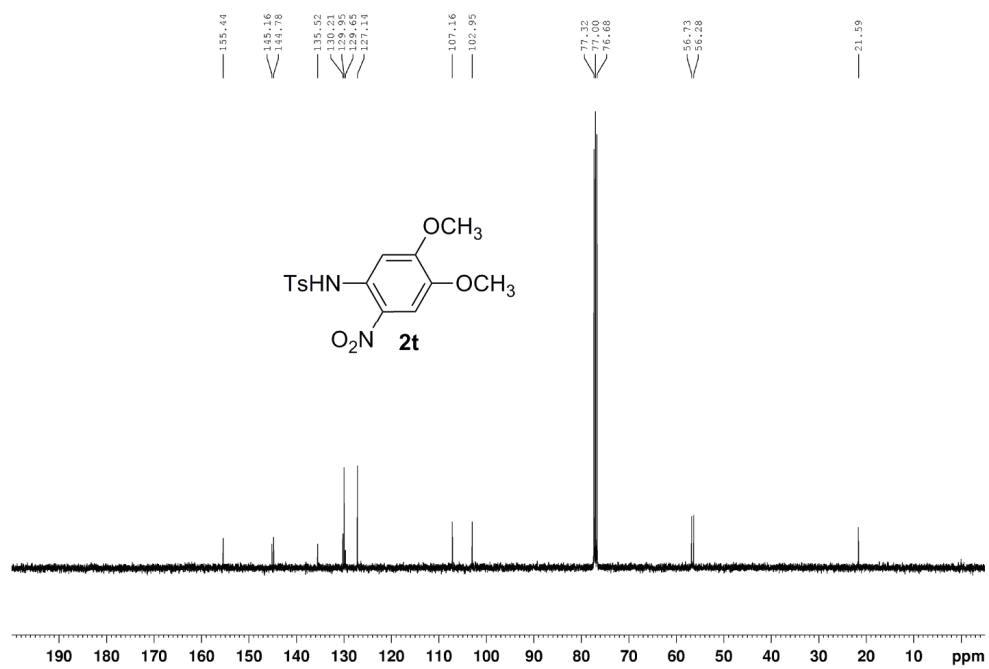
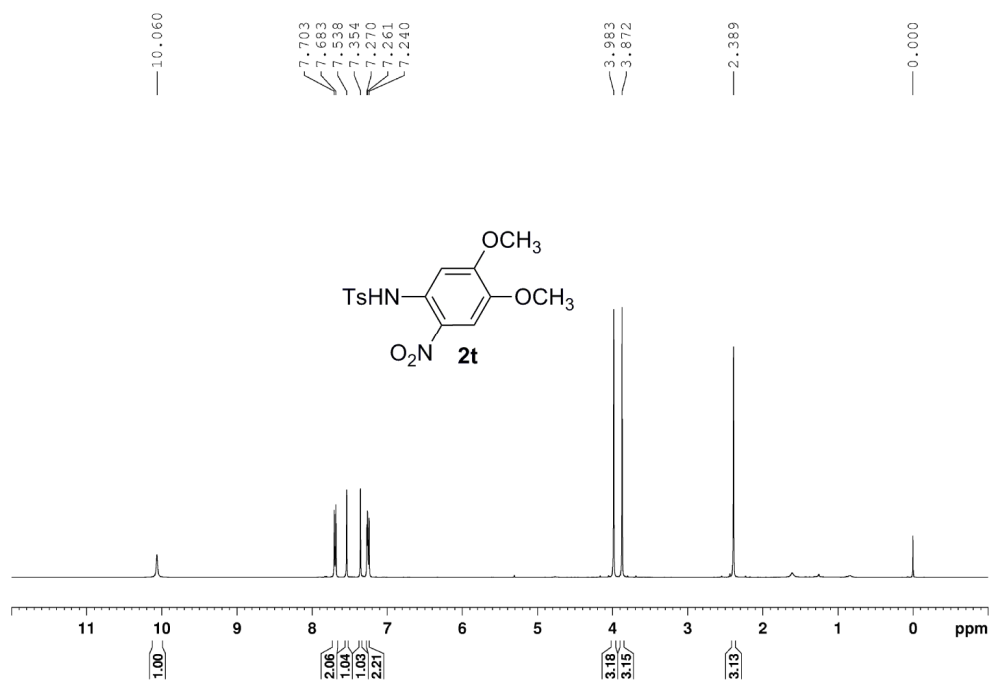


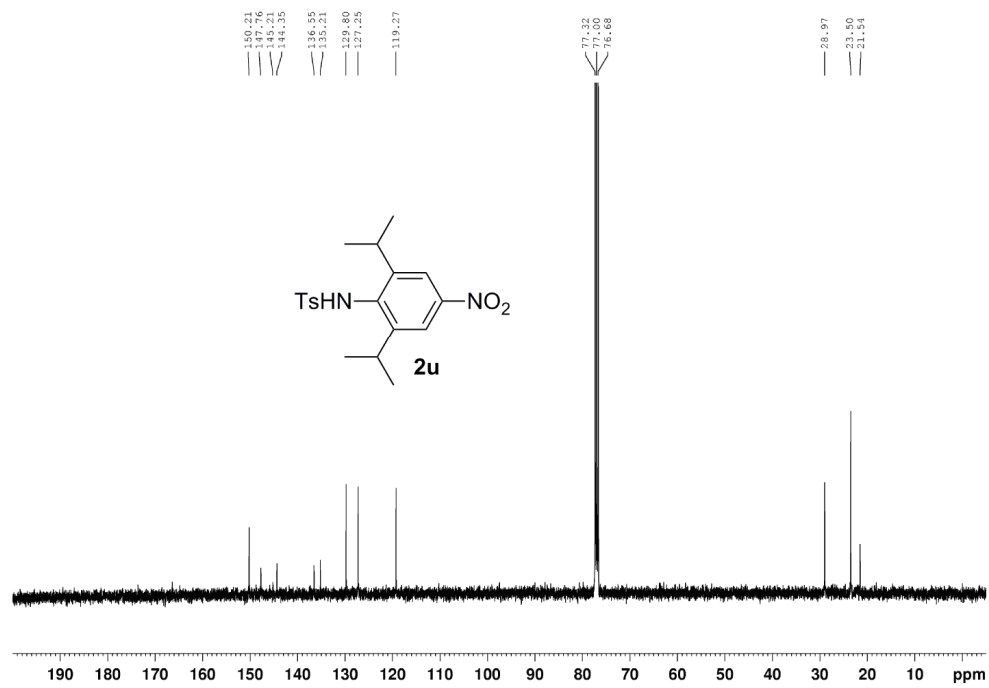
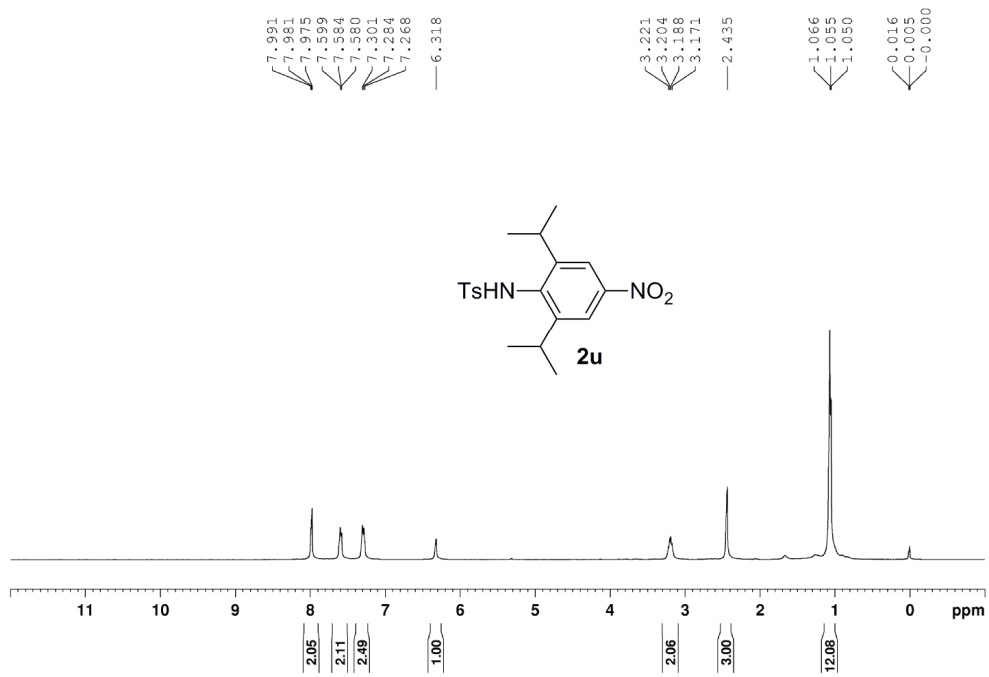


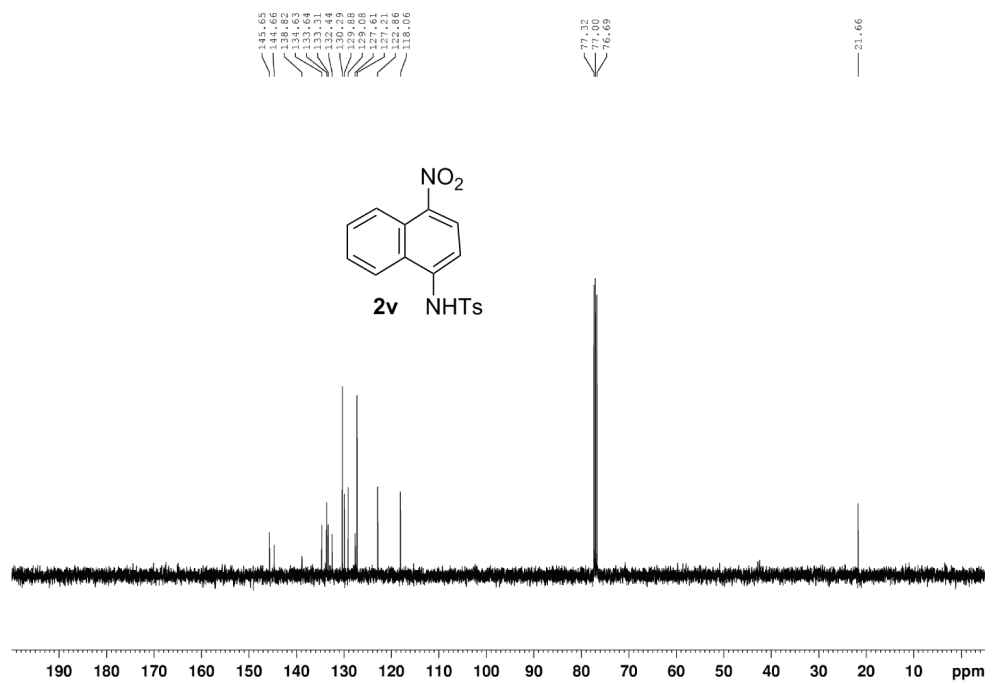
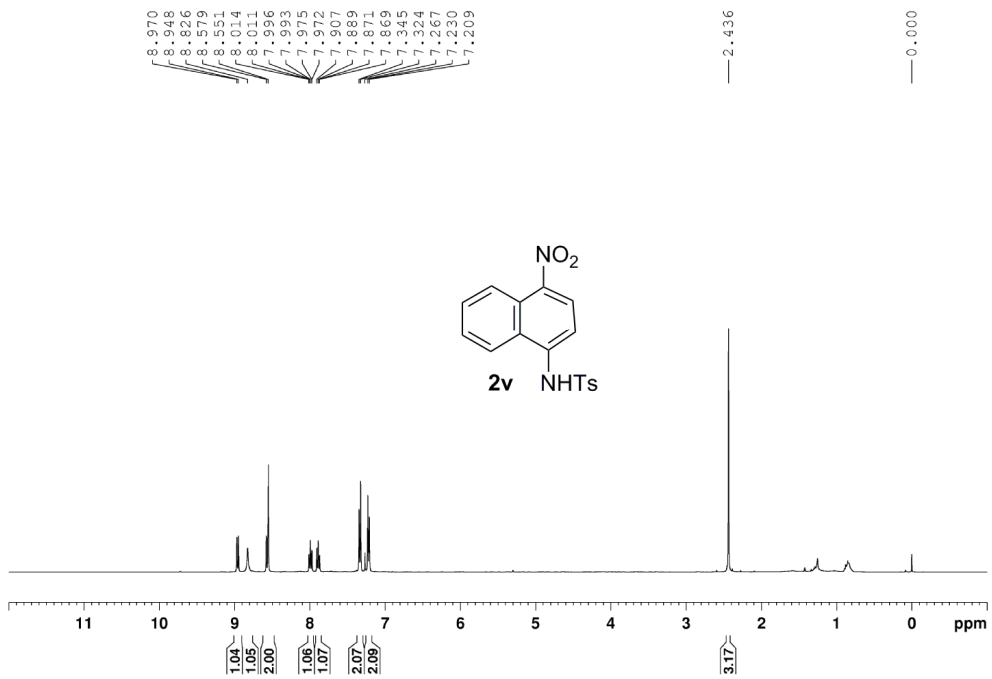


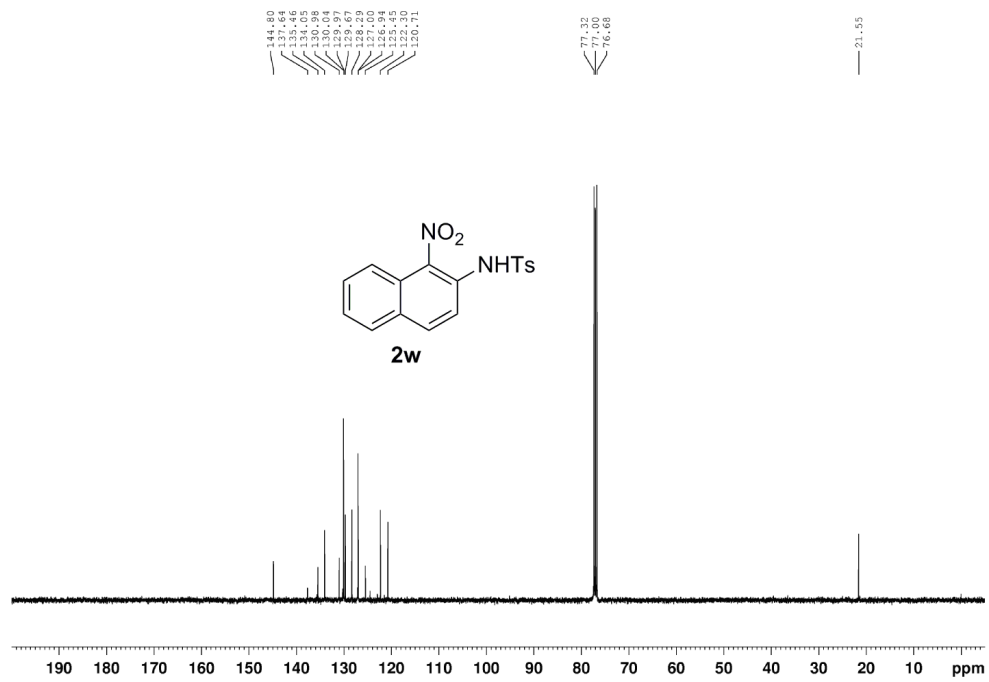
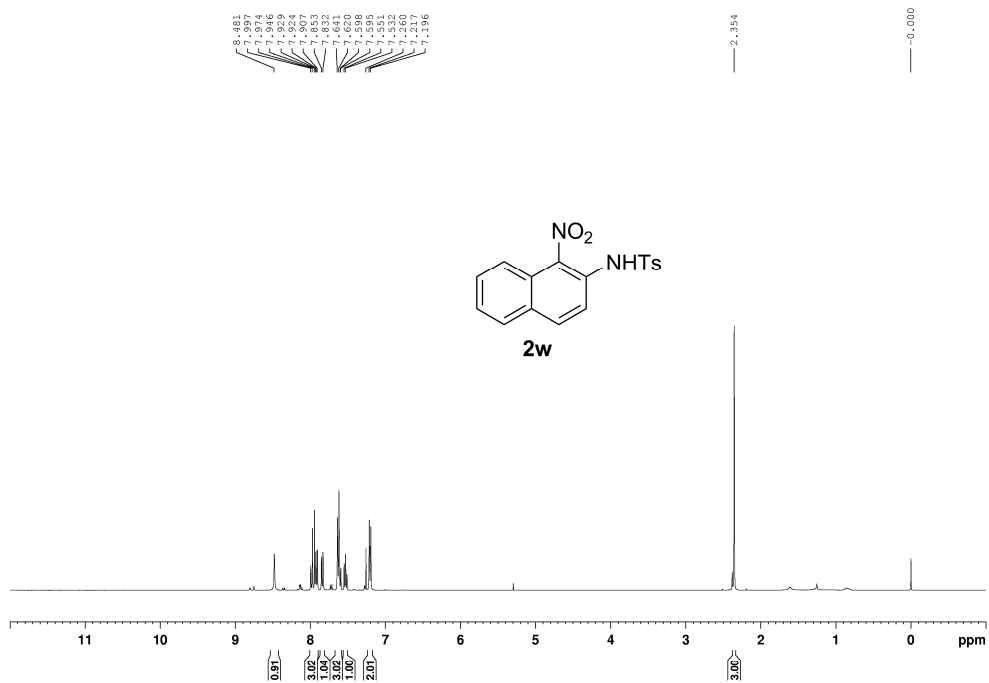


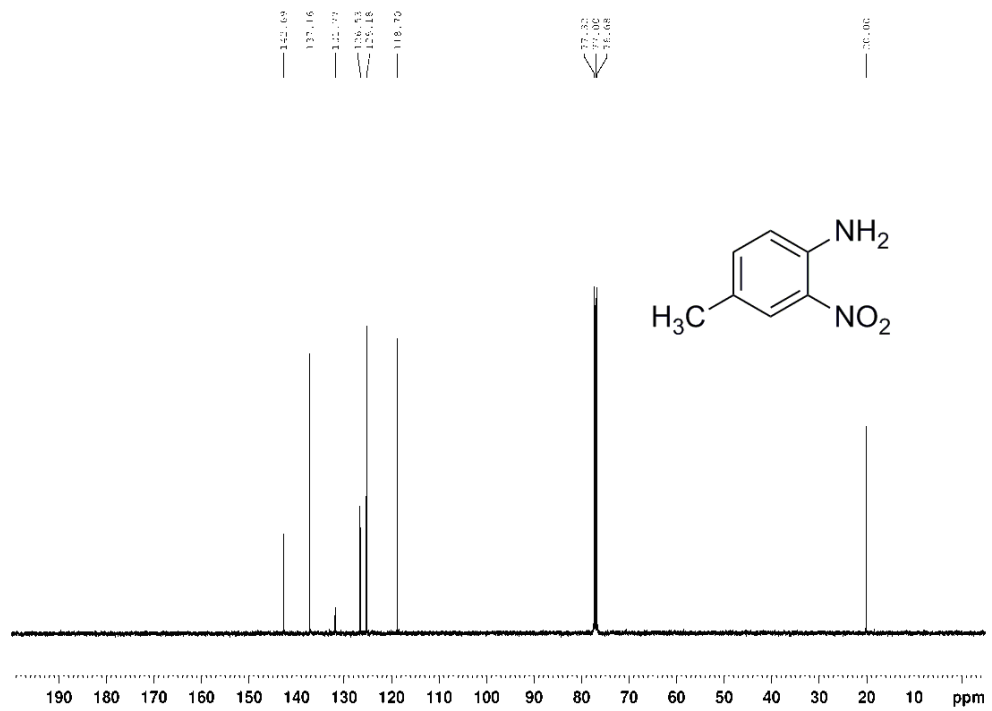
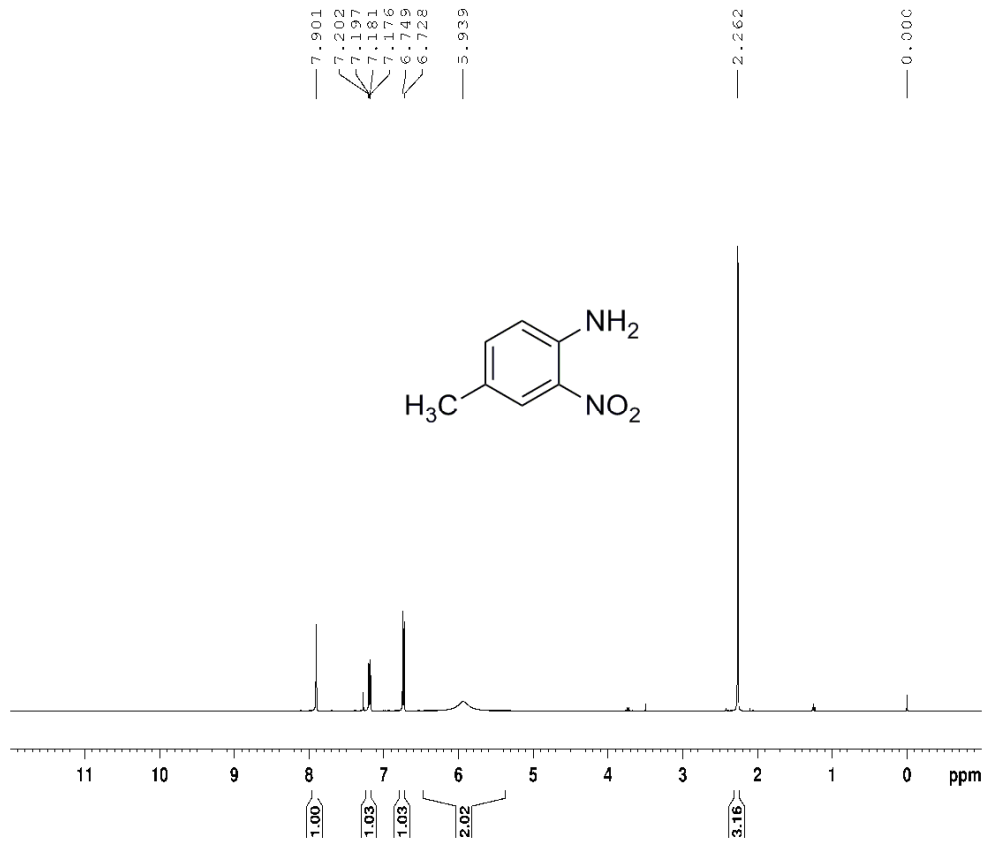


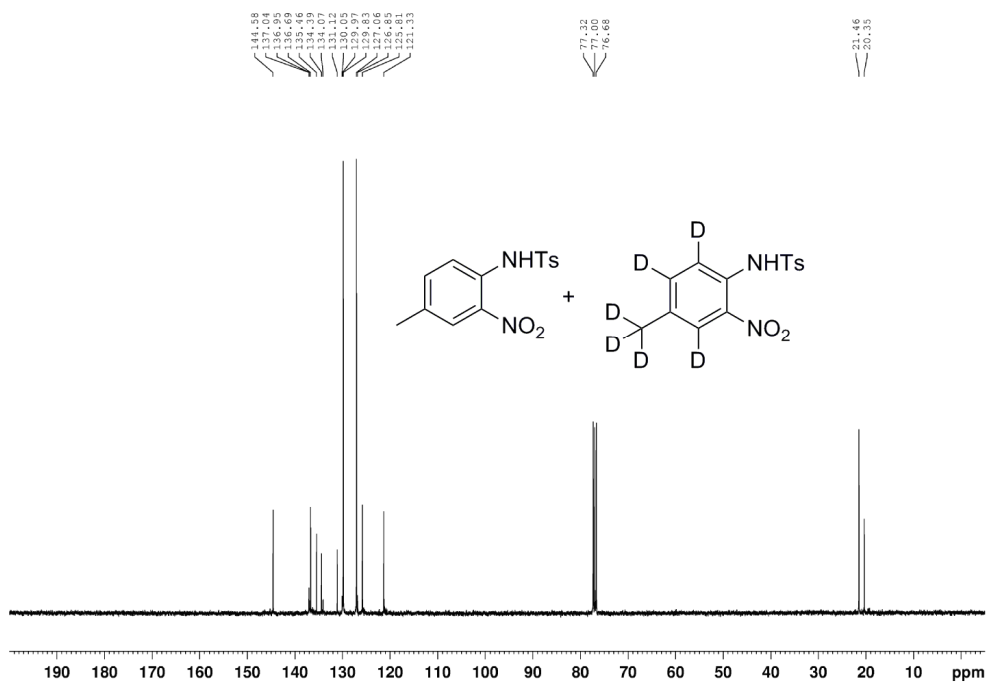
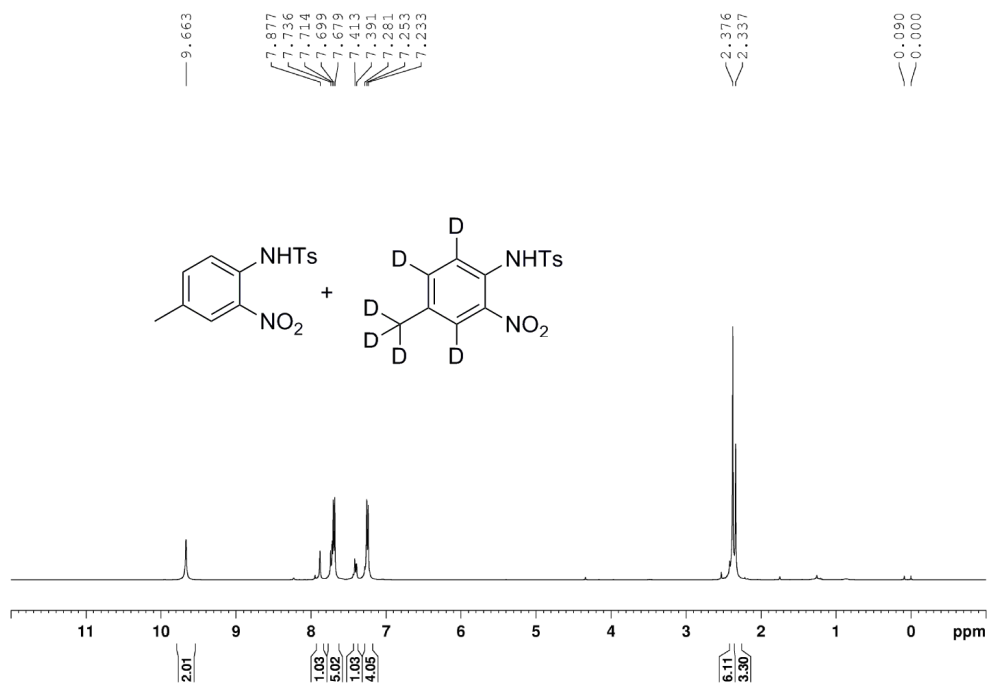










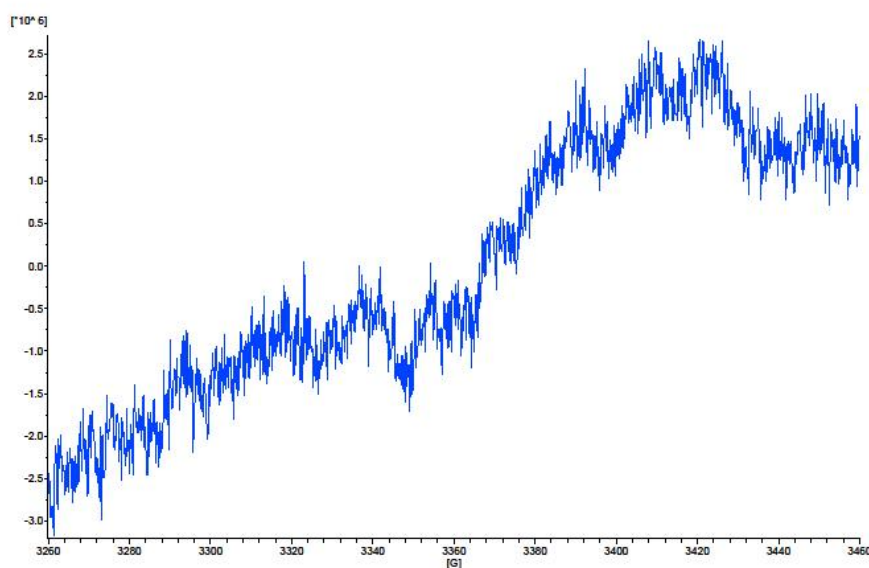


7. Electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) for 2a.

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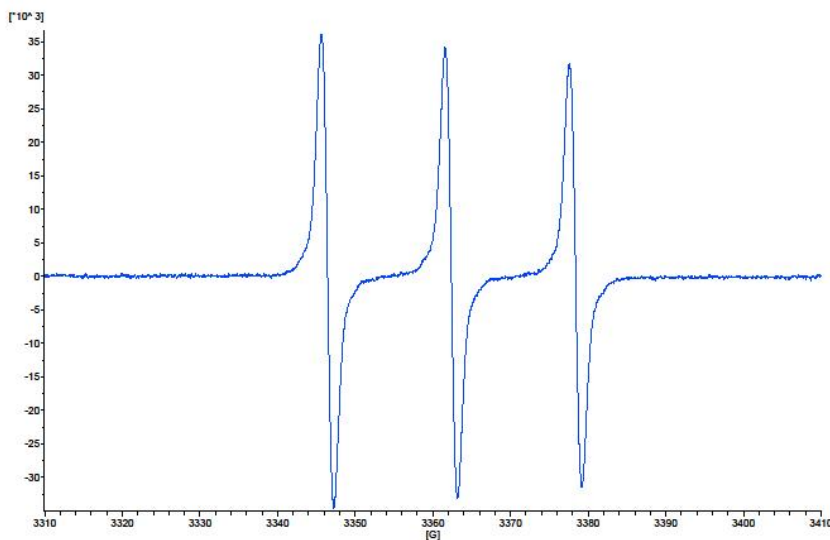


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Sweep Width:	200.000 G
Resolution:	1500 points
Microwave	
Frequency:	9.445 GHz
Power:	24.347 mW
Receiver	
Receiver Gain:	2.00e+005
Phase:	0.00 deg
Harmonic:	1
Mod. Frequency:	100.00 kHz
Mod. Amplitude:	1.00 G
Signal Channel	
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Time Constant:	20.480 ms
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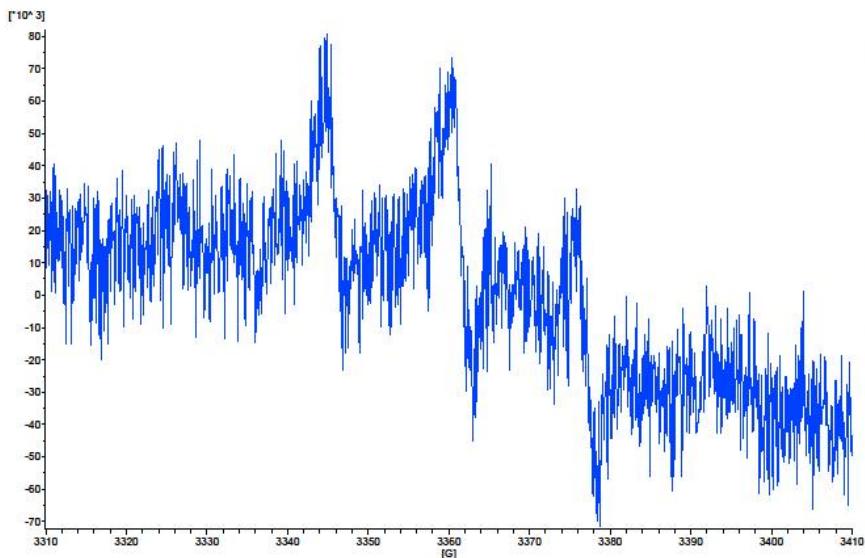


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Sweep Width:	100.000 G
Resolution:	1500 points
Microwave	
Frequency:	9.444 GHz
Power:	2.430 mW
Receiver	
Receiver Gain:	2.00e+002
Phase:	0.00 deg
Harmonic:	1
Mod. Frequency:	100.00 kHz
Mod. Amplitude:	1.00 G
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Conversion:	40.000 ms
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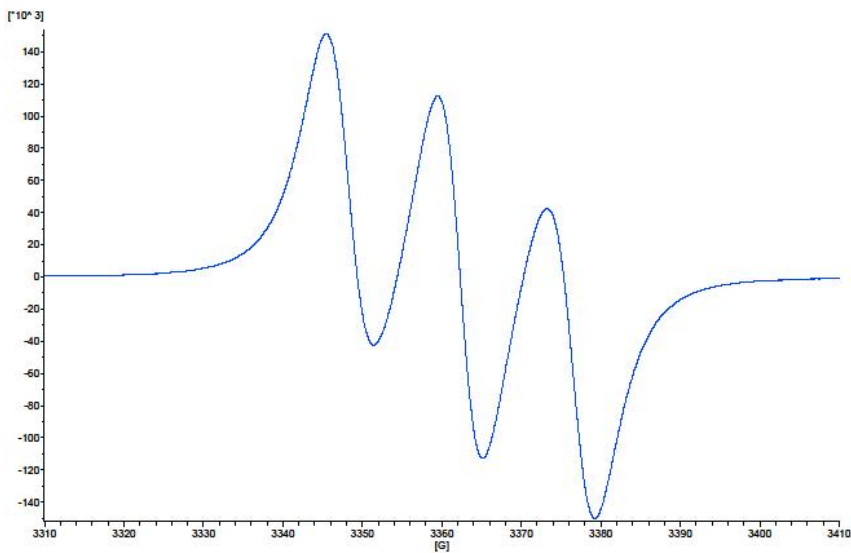


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Frequency:	9.442 GHz
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Receiver	
Receiver Gain:	2.00e+004
Phase:	0.00 deg
Harmonic:	1
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Mod. Amplitude:	1.00 G
Signal Channel	
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Sweep Time:	60.000 s

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Sweep Width:	100.000 G
Resolution:	1500 points
Microwave	
Frequency:	9.445 GHz
Power:	24.469 mW
Receiver	
Receiver Gain:	2.00e+001
Phase:	0.00 deg
Harmonic:	1
Mod. Frequency:	100.00 kHz
Mod. Amplitude:	1.00 G
Signal Channel	
Conversion:	40.000 ms
Time Constant:	5.120 ms
Sweep Time:	60.000 s