

Pre-carbonized nitrogen-rich polytriazines for the controlled growth of silver nanoparticles: catalysts for enhanced CO₂ chemical conversion at atmospheric pressure

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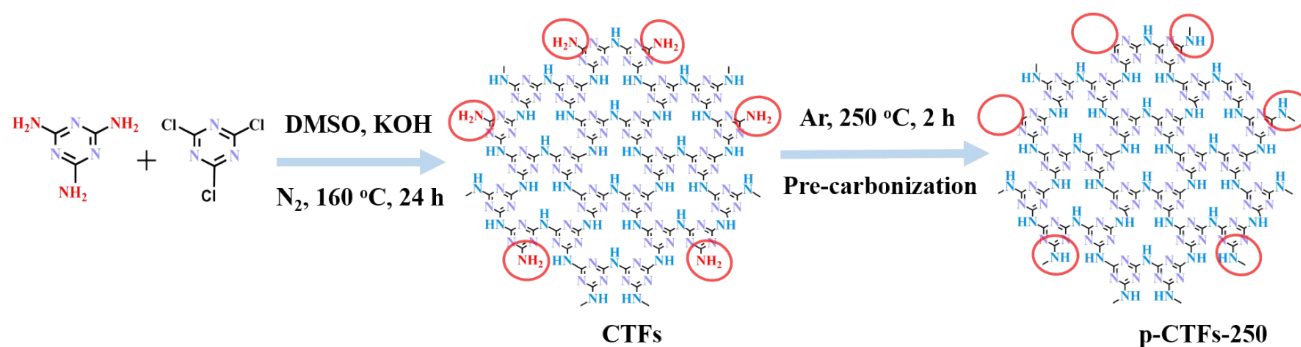
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Section 1: Characterization data of polytriazines and Ag@polytriazines



Scheme S1. Synthetic route of typical p-CTFs-250. primary amino groups ($-\text{NH}_2$) were decomposed or condensed.

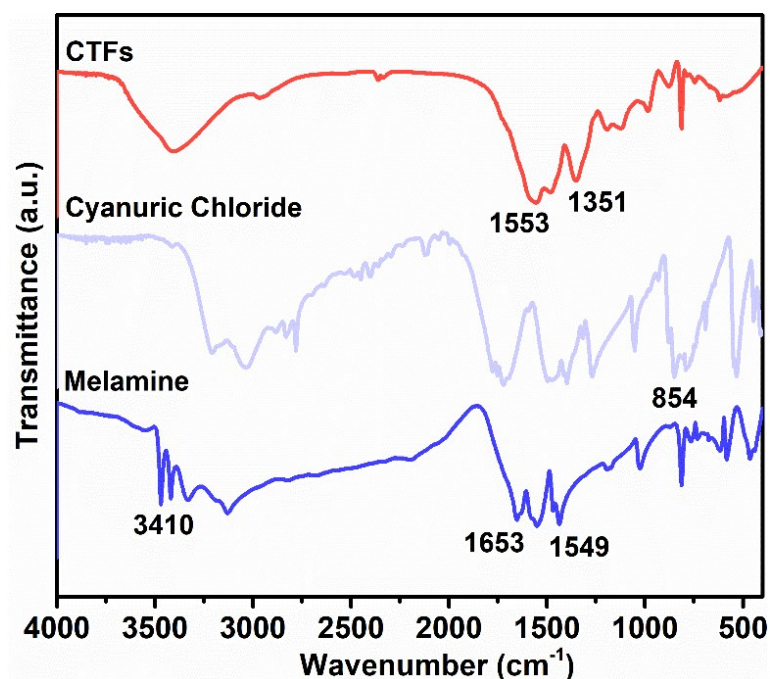


Figure S1. FT-IR spectra of melamine, cyanuric chloride, and CTFs.

The successful formation of CTFs was first confirmed using FT-IR spectroscopy in Figure S1. It showed a representative peak for C–NH–C stretching vibration (1351 cm^{-1}) in CTFs along with the absence of the band for C–Cl stretching vibration in cyanuric chloride (854 cm^{-1}), indicating that two triazine rings were coupled by $-\text{NH}-$ through HCl molecule removal. The peak at 814 cm^{-1} is attributed to the deformation

vibrations of the triazine ring [1]. Only a broadband at 3410 cm^{-1} region in CTFs, instead of multiple bands for melamine, is related to the N–H (C–NH–C/ C–NH₂) in condensed copolymers [2]. Similarly, the broad band at 1553 cm^{-1} belongs to the coupling vibration between C=N and N–H, which is different from the C=N stretching vibration at 1549 cm^{-1} and the –NH₂ bending vibration at 1653 cm^{-1} in melamine [3].

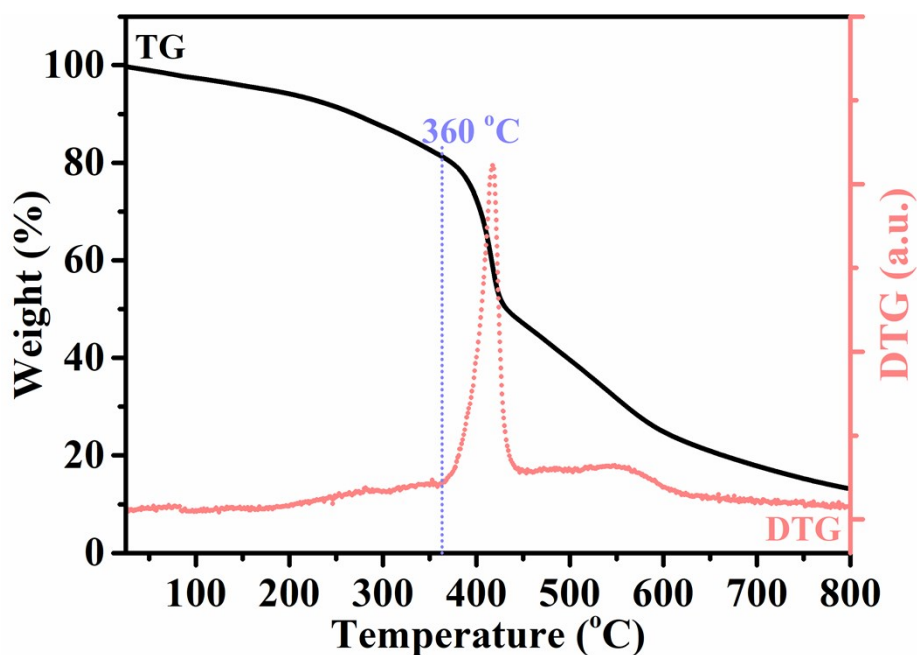


Figure S2. TG and DTG curves of CTFs.

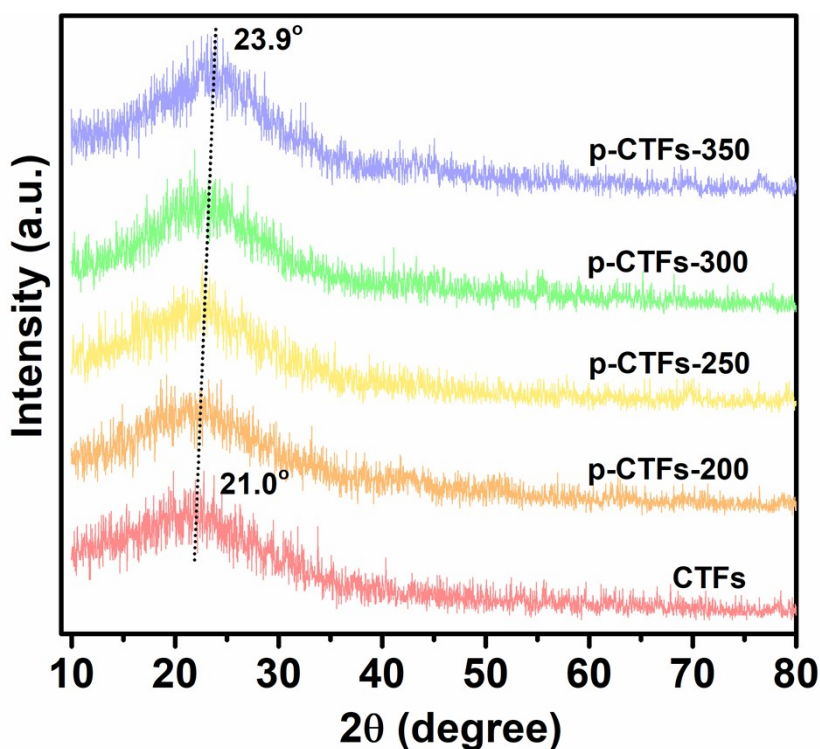


Figure S3. XRD spectra of CTFs and p-CTFs-x.

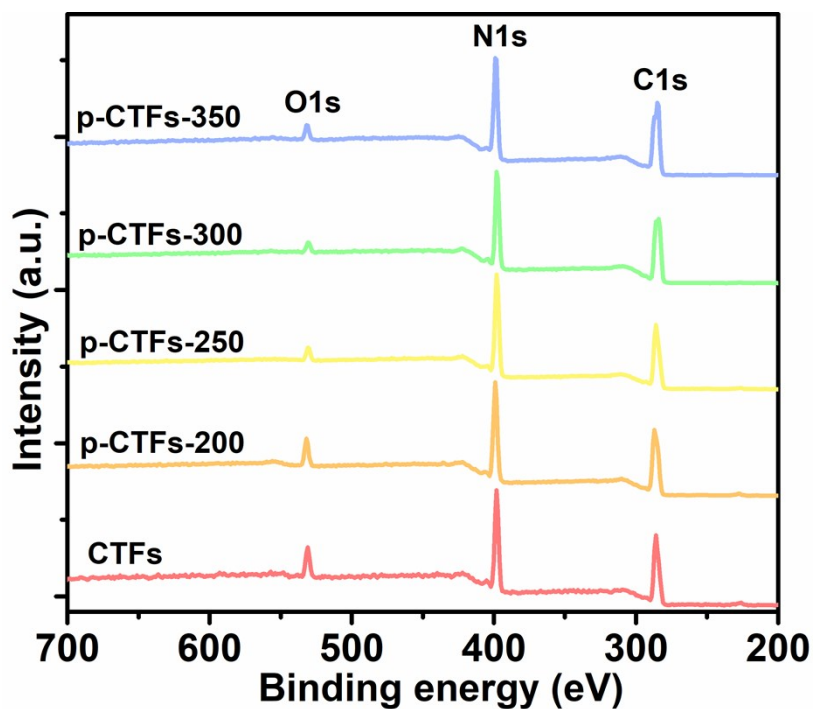


Figure S4. XPS spectra of CTFs and CTFs-T.

Table S1. Chemical compositions and nitrogen functional groups from XPS data of CTFs and p-CTFs-x.

Samples	Elemental analysis (wt%)				at.% of total N1s			
	<i>C</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>O and other elements</i>	<i>-C=N-</i>	<i>-C-NH- -C-NH₂</i>	<i>N-(C)3</i>	<i>π-π^* satellite</i>
CTFs	34.73	58.98	4.74	1.55	35.5	60.2	0	4.3
p-CTFs-200	35.78	58.10	4.46	1.66	36.0	59.4	0	4.6
p-CTFs-250	37.52	56.95	4.43	1.10	36.6	58.3	0	5.1
p-CTFs-300	38.19	56.24	4.42	1.15	43.7	50.4	0	5.9
p-CTFs-350	39.61	55.65	3.77	0.97	42.4	39.4	10.6	7.6

Determination of the vanishing of -NH_2 groups in polytriazines

Diazotization reaction: mixture of polytriazine (0.75 ml, 0.5 mg ml⁻¹), NaNO₂ (0.75 ml, 1 mg ml⁻¹), and H₂SO₄ (0.75 ml, 0.1 M) was stirred 1 h at 0 °C. Then Na₂B₄O₇-NaOH buffer solution (3 ml, 0.08 M-0.12M)) and α -naphthol (0.75 ml, 1 mg ml⁻¹) were added quickly and incubated 30 min at 50 °C. The suspensions were used directly for fluorescence detection. ($E_x = 340$ nm, $E_m = 466$ nm) Controlled experiments were conducted by replacing NaNO₂ with equal volume of H₂O.

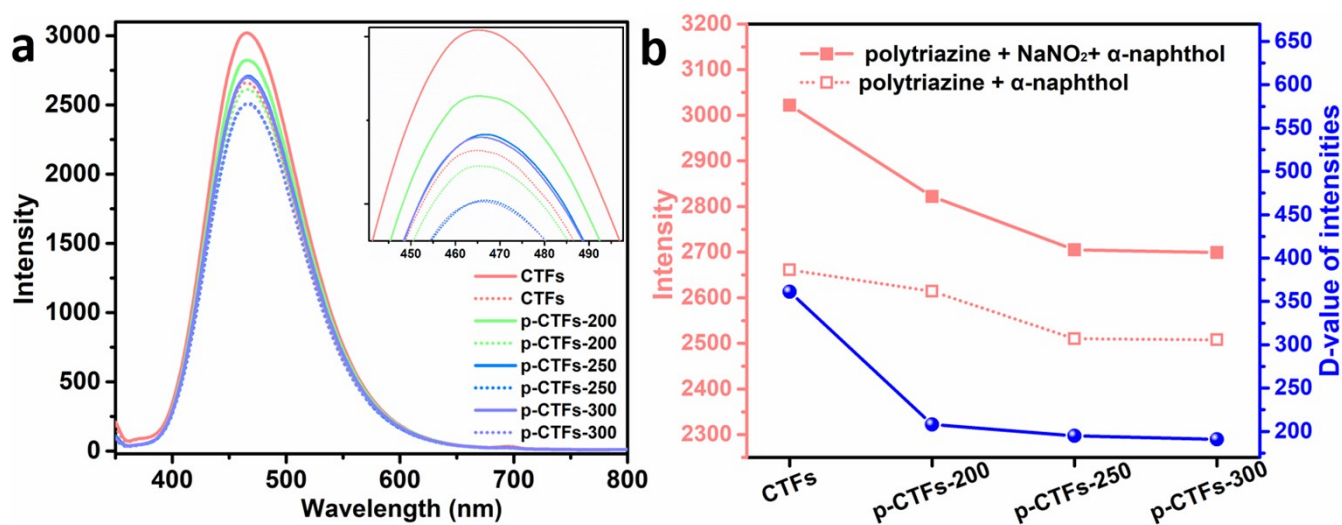
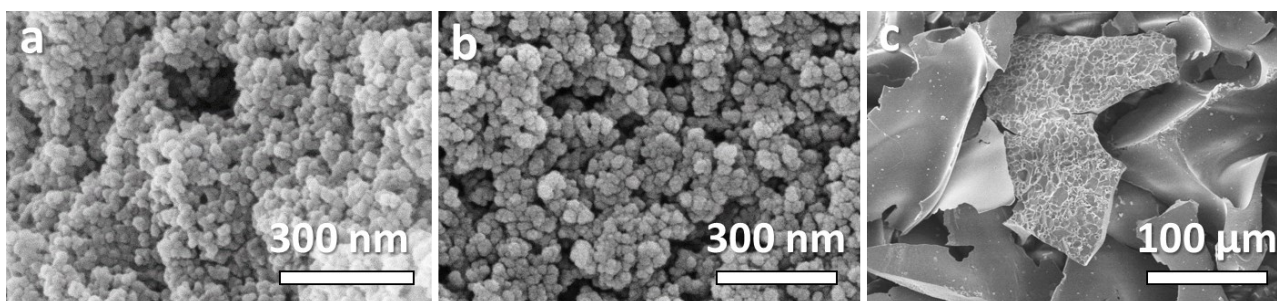


Figure S5. (a) the fluorescence spectra of α -naphthol in different polytriazine conditions with NaNO₂ (solid lines) or without NaNO₂ (dashed lines). (b) the corresponding intensity values ($E_m = 466$ nm) and the D-value of the intensities.

Diazotization reaction between the -NH_2 groups in polytriazines and NO₂⁻ in acidic medium will generate aryl diazonium salt, which will further couple with α -naphthol in basic medium (pH $\approx$ 8.0) and enhance the fluorescence intensity of α -naphthol due to the electrophilicity of the aryl diazonium salt [4]. As shown in Figure S5, the fluorescence intensity of α -naphthol increased obviously in alkaline aqueous condition after CTFs treated with NO₂⁻ in acidic medium. The D-values of intensities were not further changed when polytriazines (p-CTFs-250 and p-CTFs-300) were introduced, indicating that no -NH_2 groups were remained there.

Table S2. BET surface area and CO₂ sorption capacity of polytriazines and other porous materials.

Materials	BET surfaces area (m ² g ⁻¹)	CO ₂ up take at at 298 K and 1 atm. (mg g ⁻¹)	CO ₂ sorption capacity in per unit BET surface area (mg m ⁻²)	Ref.
CTFs	667.7	61.9	0.093	<i>This work</i>
p-CTFs-200	615.7	65.0	0.106	
p-CTFs-250	532.5	74.1	0.139	
p-CTFs-300	416.7	40.2	0.096	
p-CTFs-350	83.2	23.3	0.280	
Ag@CTFs	575.6	55.6	0.097	
Ag@p-CTFs-250	455.0	63.5	0.140	
Ag@ p-CTFs-350	13.3	13.9	1.045	
3AM3CL	894	88	0.098	5
PAN-N2	1035	98.2	0.095	6
MIL-101	3083	96.8	0.031	7
POP-Byp	1123	70	0.062	8
NENP-1-350	880	182	0.206	9
CTF-DEC	1355	165	0.121	10
IIERP-COF	1230	96.5	0.078	11
Ag/PCNF-600	96	32.406	0.338	12
KAPS-Py	199	47.725	0.239	13
MIL-100(Fe)	1828	63.83	0.035	14
ZIF-8	1670	37.4	0.022	15

**Figure S6.** SEM images of (a) Ag@CTFs, (b) Ag@p-CTFs-250, (c) Ag@p-CTFs-350.

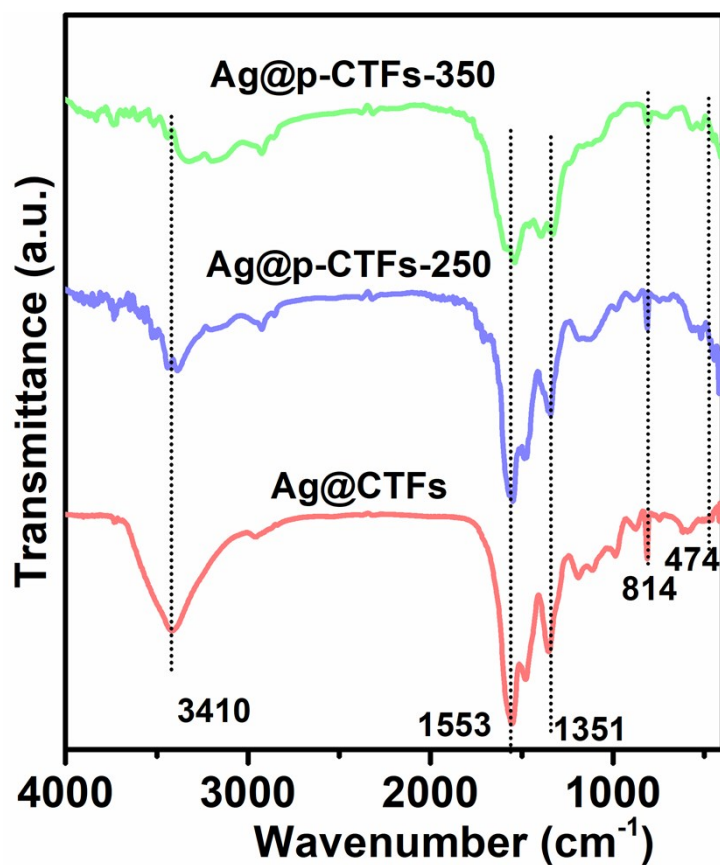


Figure S7. FT-IR spectra of Ag@CTFs, Ag@p-CTFs-250, and Ag@p-CTFs-350.

Section 2: Catalysis performance for the carboxylation of terminal alkynes

Table S3. Comparison with previous reported catalysts for 3-phenylpropionic acid from CO₂ and 1-ethynylbenzene.

Entry	Catalyst	CO ₂ pressure (atm)	Runs	Yield(%) ^b	Ref.
1	AgI	15	-	92	16
2	Ag@P-NHC	1	5	98	17
3	Ag(I)	1	-	91	18
4	-	2.5	-	95	19
5	Ag@MIL-101	1	5	96.5	7
6	rare-earth metal complexes	1	-	94	20
7	Ag ₂ WO ₄	1	-	96	21
8	AgNPs@C ₀ -MOF	1	6	96	22
9	Ag ₂ O/NHC	1	-	98	23

10	Ag@MIL-100(Fe)	1	5	94.6	14
11	Ag@UIO-66(Zr)	1	5	98.7	14
12	Ag/Schiff-SiO ₂	1	-	98	24
13	Ag/KAPs-P	1	5	92	13
14	CTF-DCE-Ag	1	-	90.2	10
15	Ag ⁰ @CTFN	1	6	97	25
16	Ag@NOMP	1	5	96	26
17	Ag/PCNF-T	1	5	90	12
18	UiO-66@UiO-67-BPY-Ag	1	5	96	27
19	TBAA- CH ₃ CN(no metal)	10	-	85	28
20	Ag@PHNCT	1	5	98	29
21	Ag@p-CTFs-250	1	5	96	<i>This work</i>

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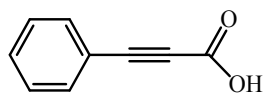
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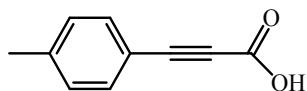
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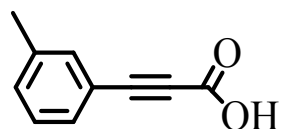
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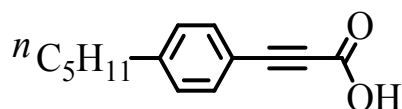
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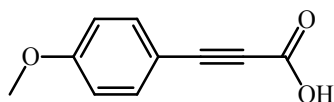
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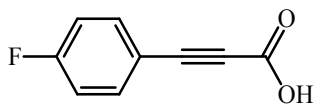
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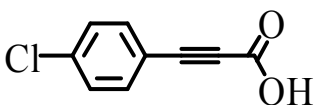
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Compound **5**: White solid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, d -DMSO) δ (ppm): 7.57–7.61 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.01–7.04 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.40 (br, s, 1H, $-\text{COOH}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, d -DMSO) δ (ppm): 161.58 ($-\text{COOH}$), 154.94, 135.01, 115.19, 113.70, 85.63, 81.52, 55.53.

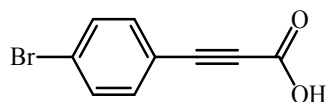


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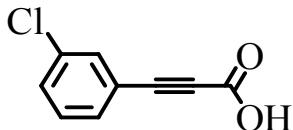


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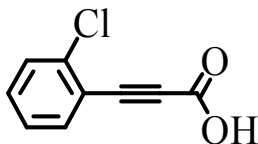
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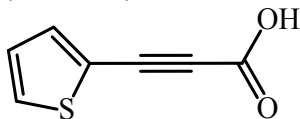
Compound **8**: White solid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, *d*-DMSO) δ (ppm): 7.52-7.57 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.46-7.50 (m, 2H, Ar- H), 3.39 (br, s, 1H, $-\text{COOH}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, *d*-DMSO): δ (ppm): 154.73 ($-\text{COOH}$), 134.96, 132.67, 125.20, 118.74, 83.55, 83.25.



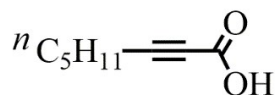
Compound **9**: White solid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, *d*-DMSO) δ (ppm): 7.72-7.63 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.62-7.61 (m, 2H, Ar- H), 7.60-7.49 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 3.31 (br, s, 1H, $-\text{COOH}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, *d*-DMSO): δ (ppm): 154.43 ($-\text{COOH}$), 153.91, 136.27, 134.09, 132.26, 121.45, 118.34, 83.51, 82.74.



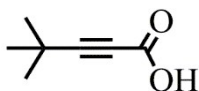
Compound **10**: White solid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, *d*-DMSO) δ (ppm): 7.78-7.66 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 (m, 1H, Ar- H), 7.60-7.59 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.57-7.47 (m, 1H, Ar- H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, *d*-DMSO): 154.55 ($-\text{COOH}$), 136.23, 135.17, 132.89, 130.15, 128.14, 119.54, 86.53, 80.97.



Compound **11**: Yellow solid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm): 8.86 (br, s, 1H, $-\text{COOH}$), 7.52-7.56 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.07-7.10 (m, 1H, Ar-H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm): 158.10 ($-\text{COOH}$), 137.37, 133.82, 132.02, 127.67, 84.48, 82.93.



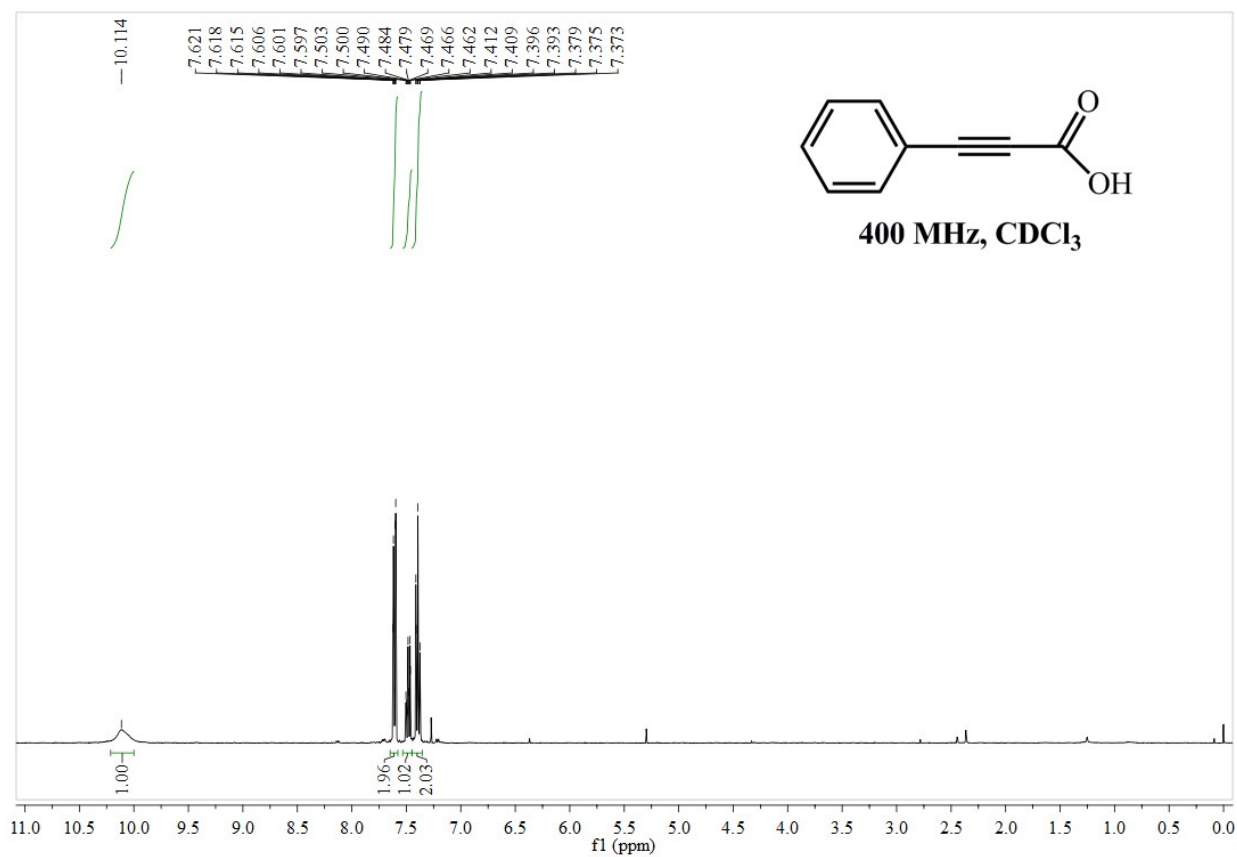
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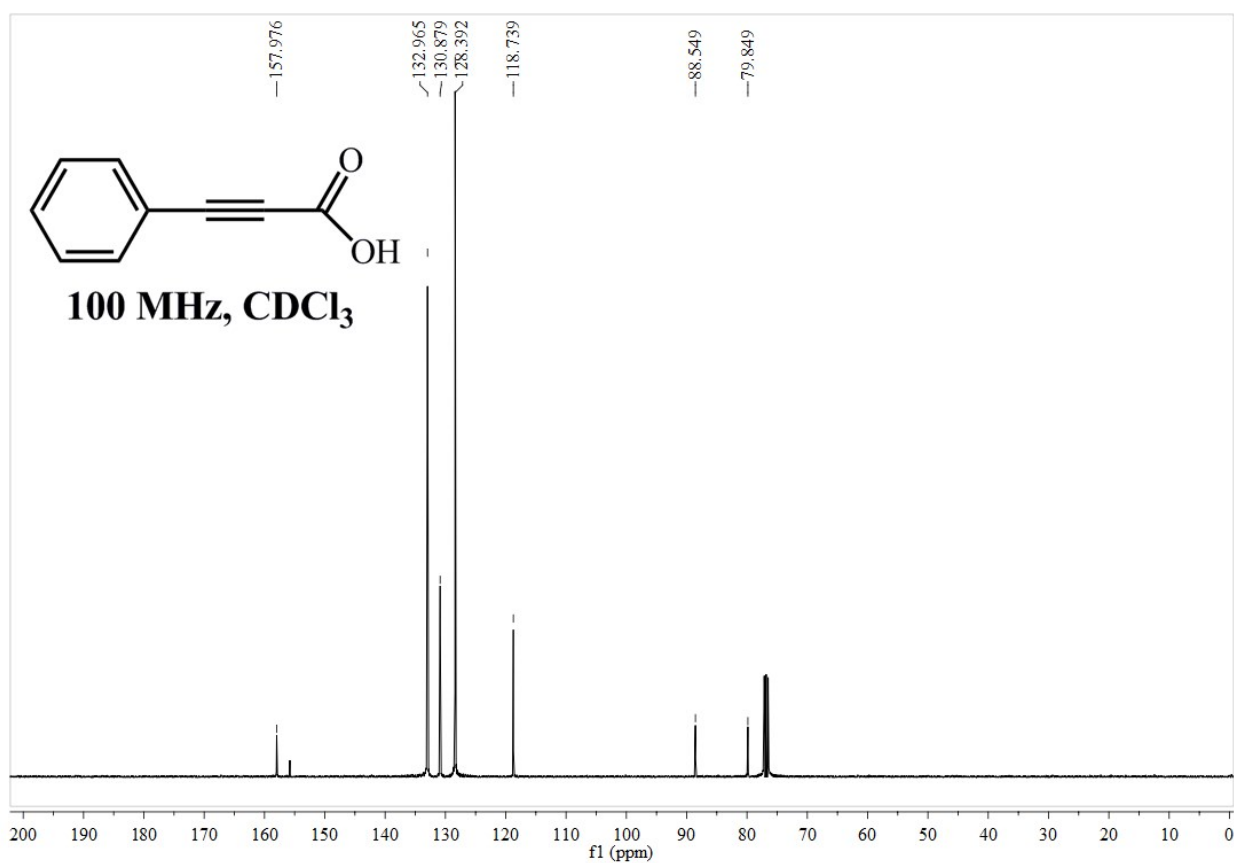


Compound **13**: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm): 7.64 (br, s, 1H, $-\text{COOH}$), 1.31 (s, 9H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm): 157.57 ($-\text{COOH}$), 98.78, 71.73, 30.08, 27.82.

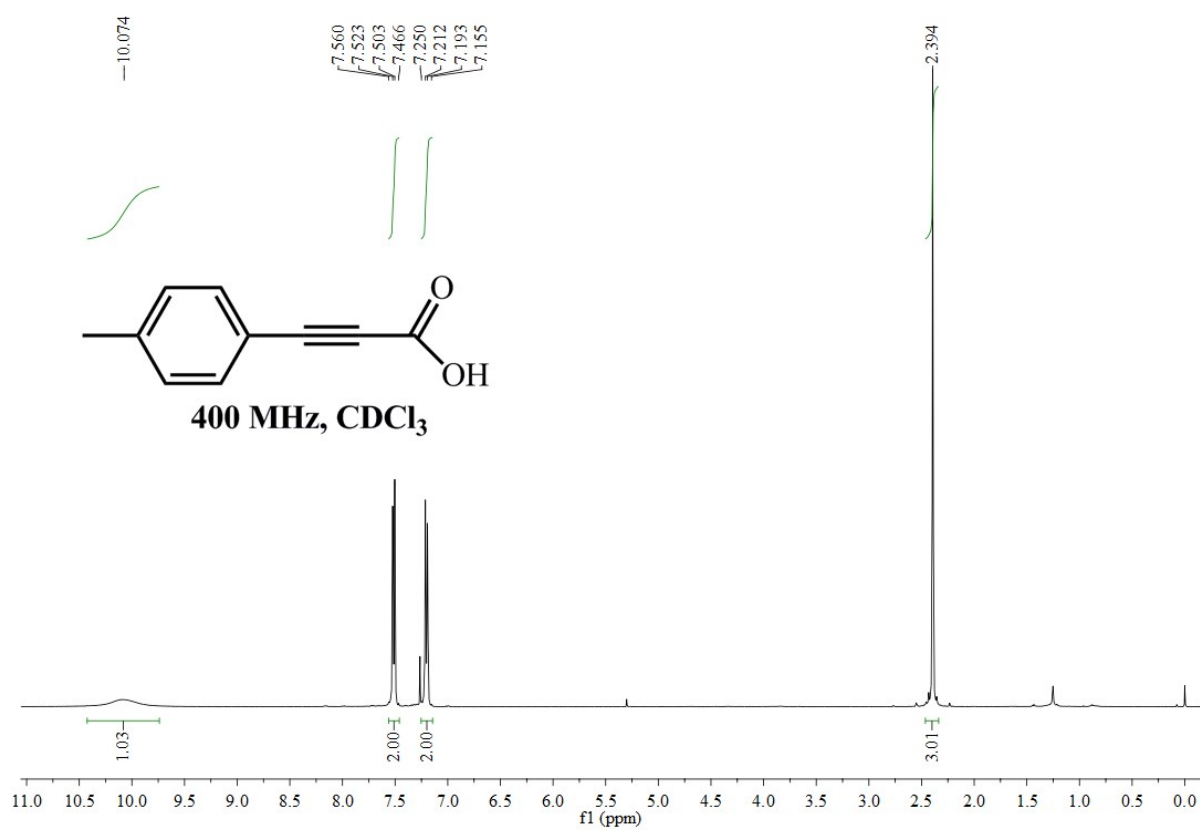
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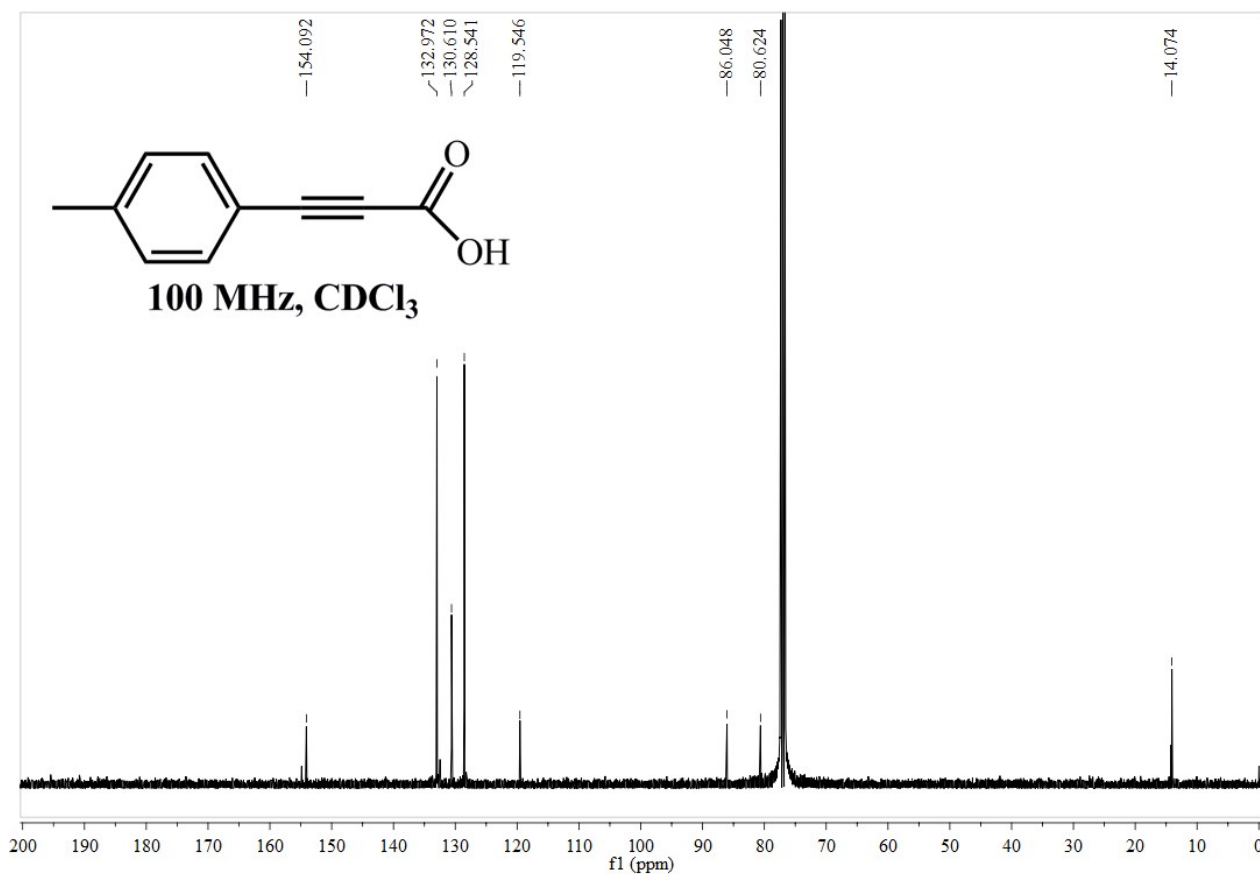
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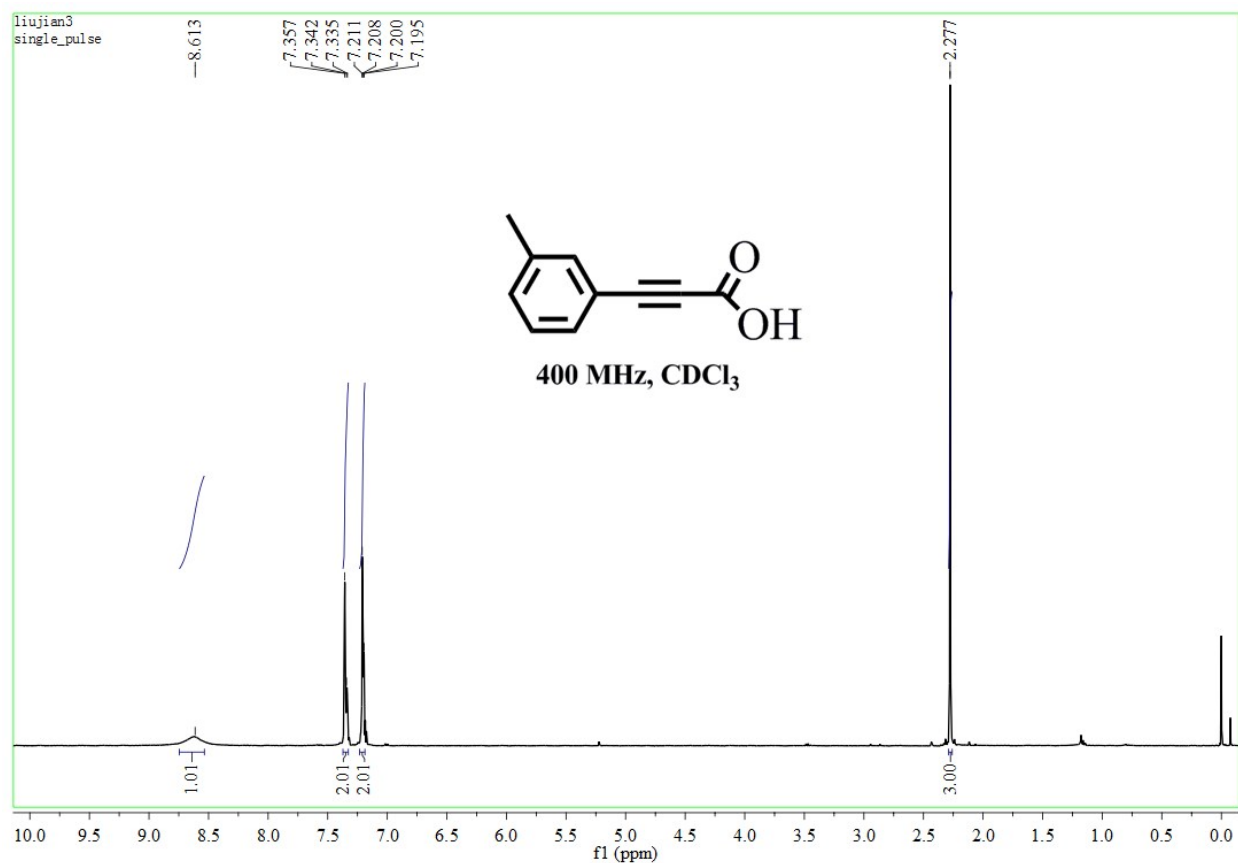


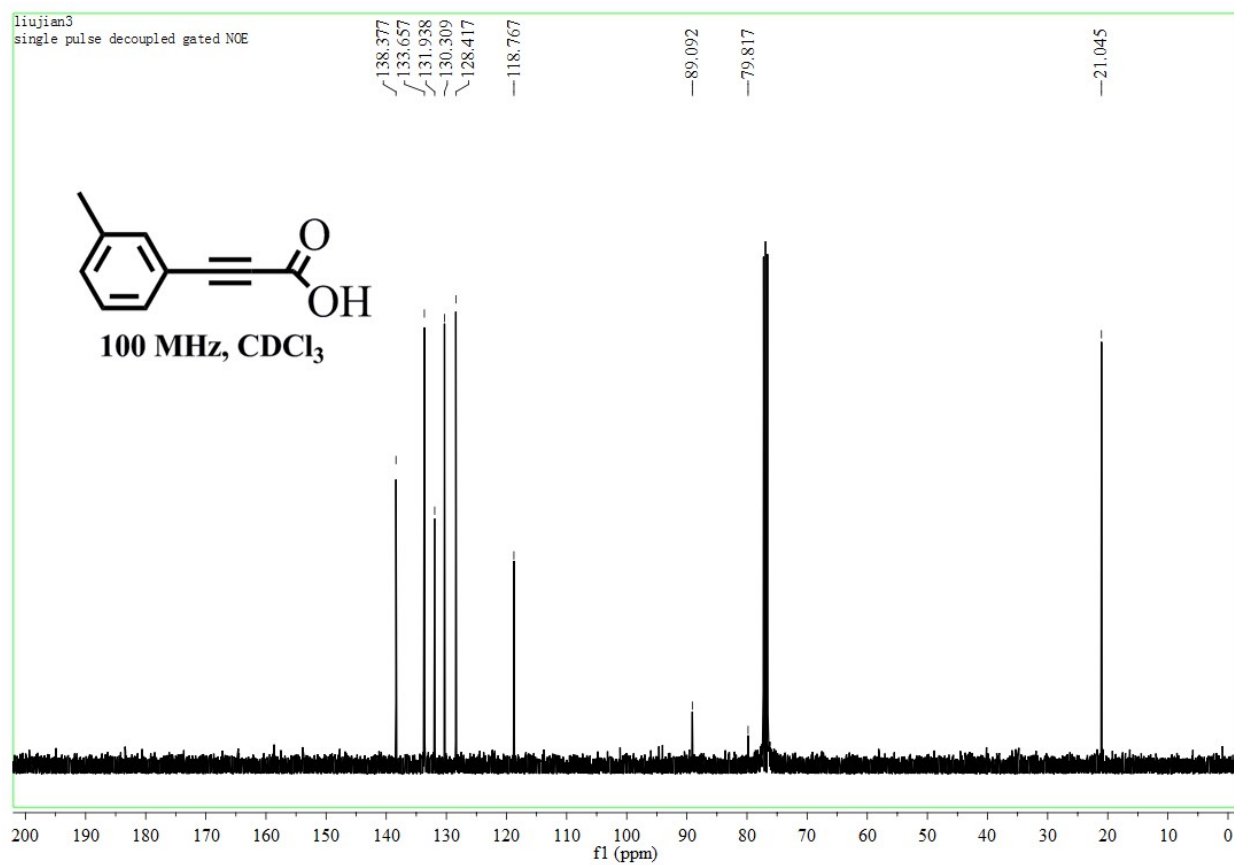
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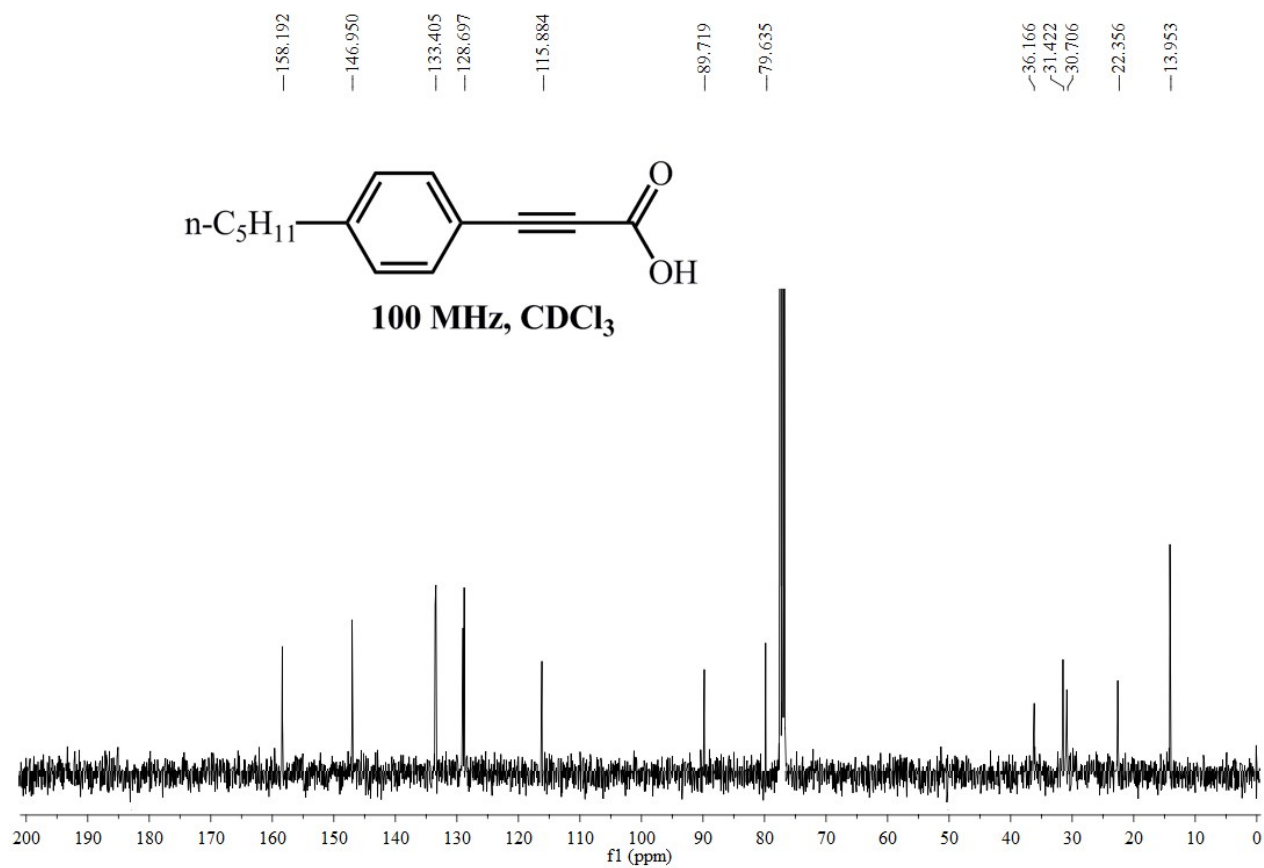
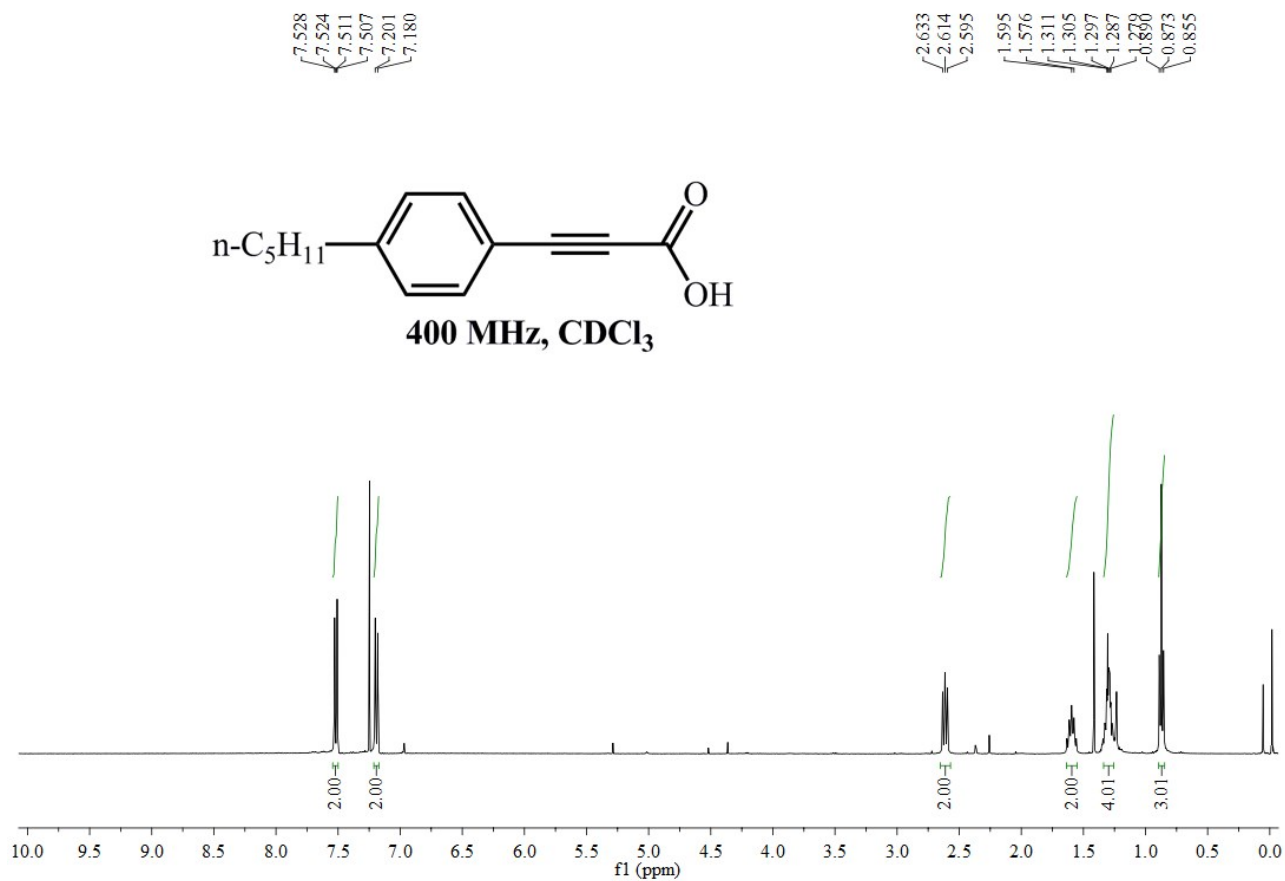


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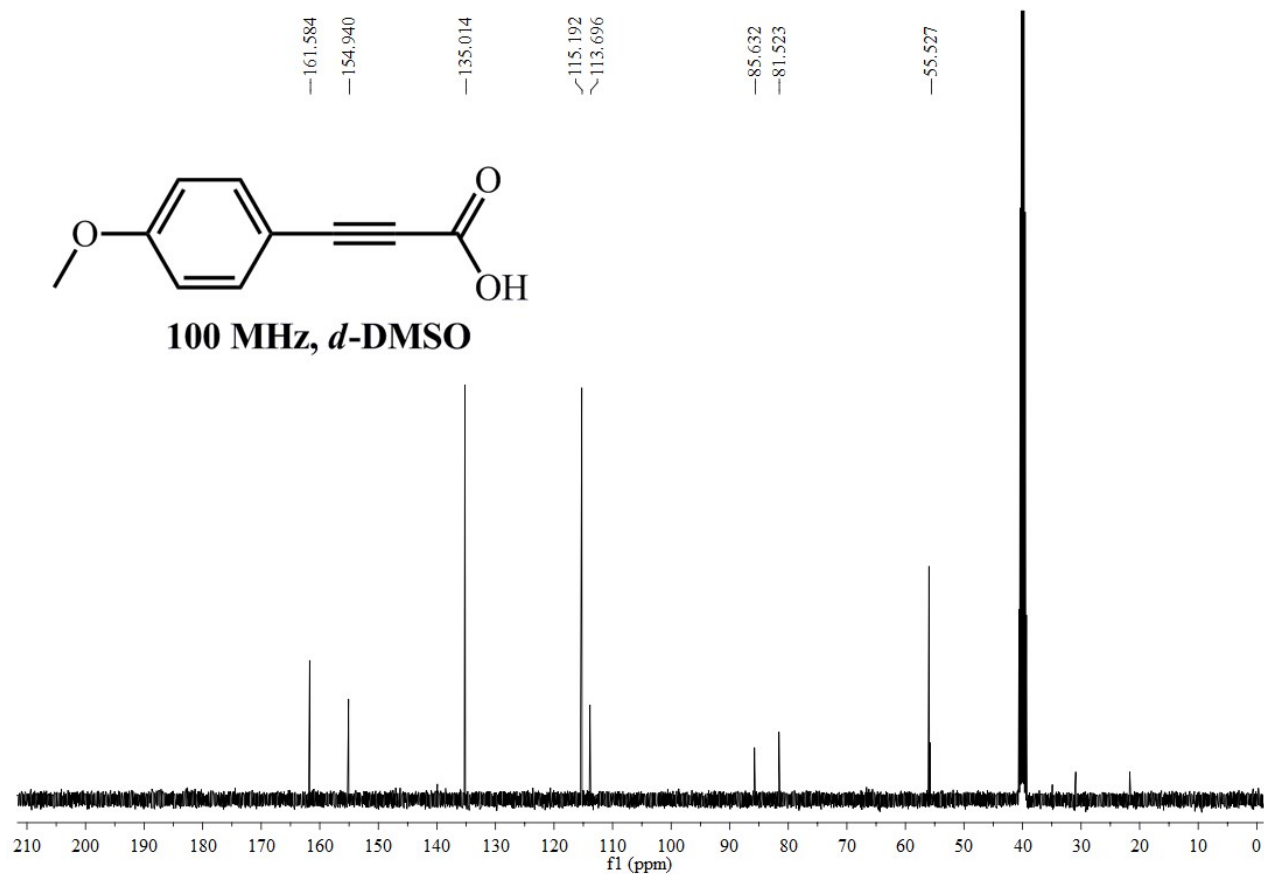
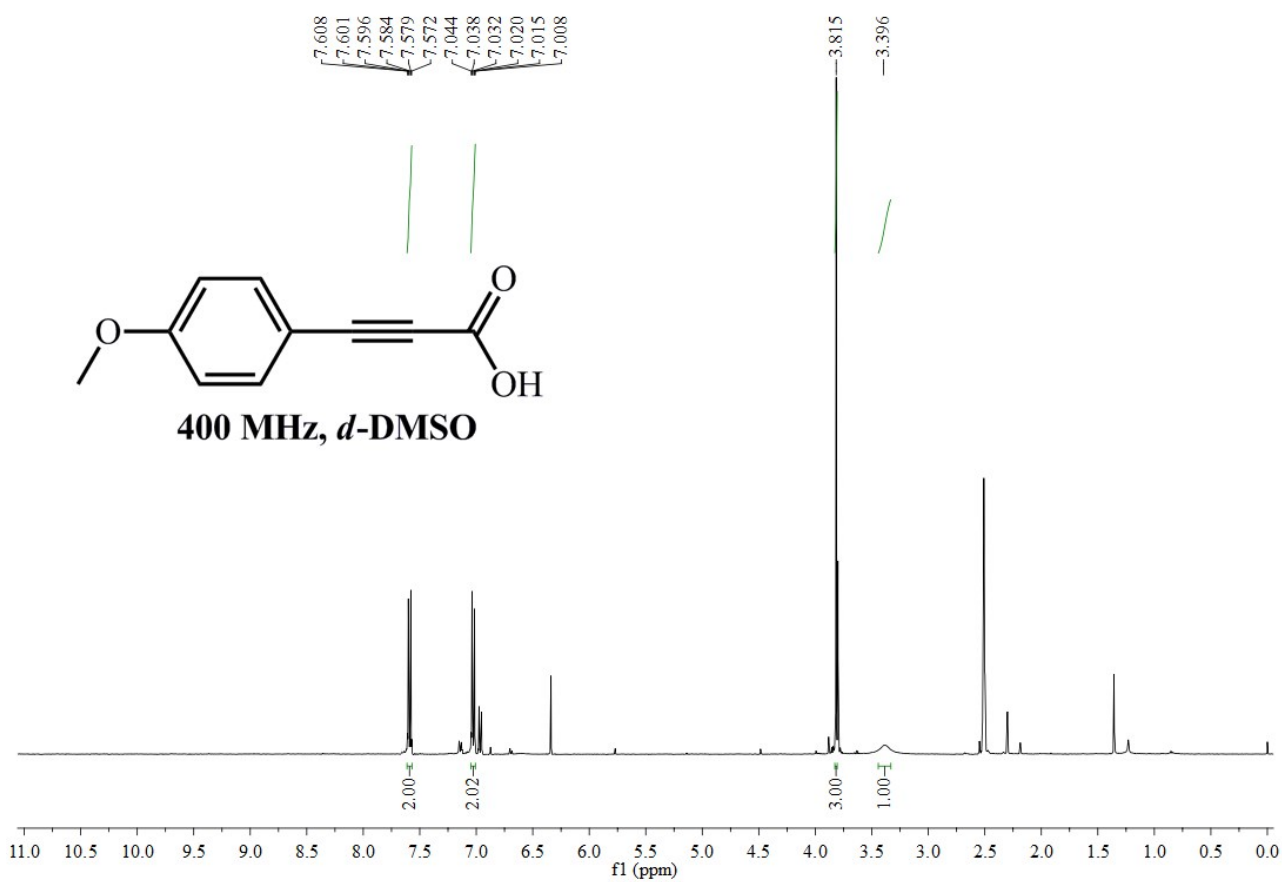




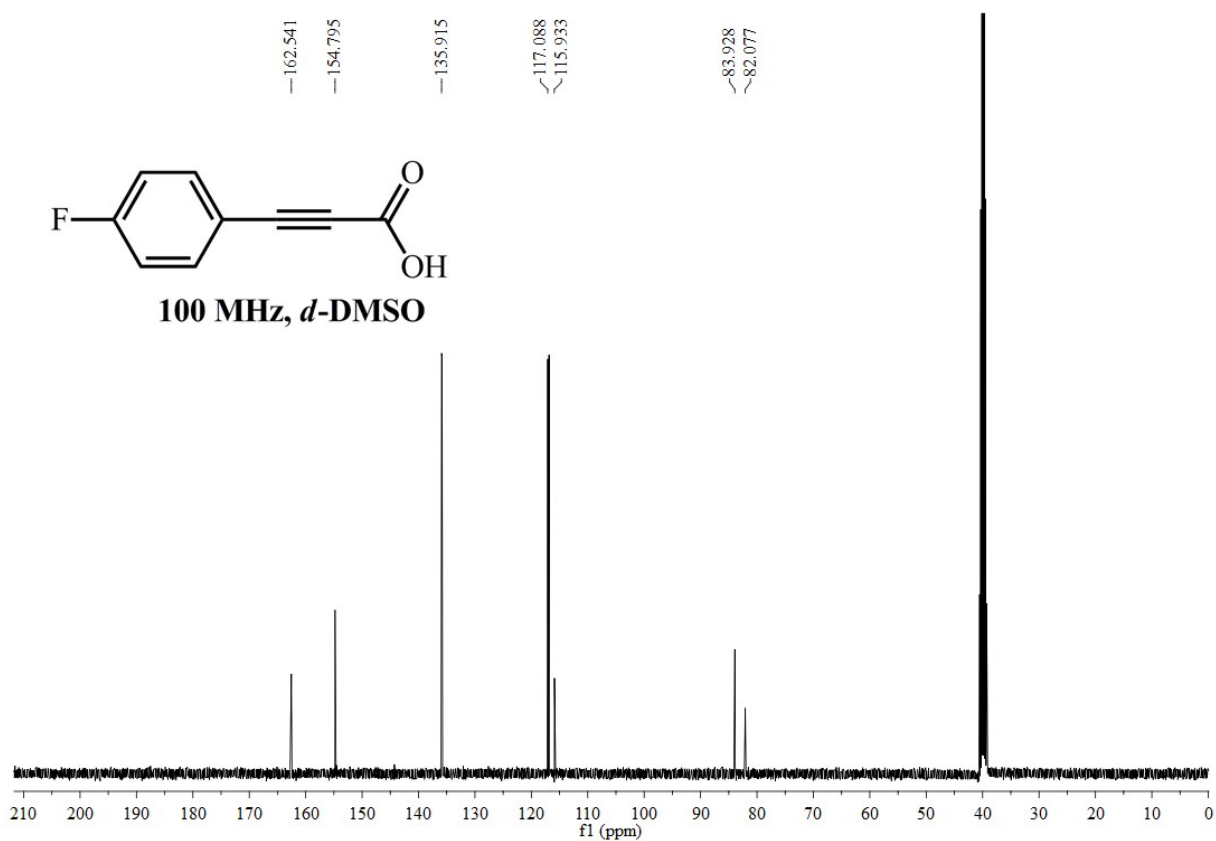
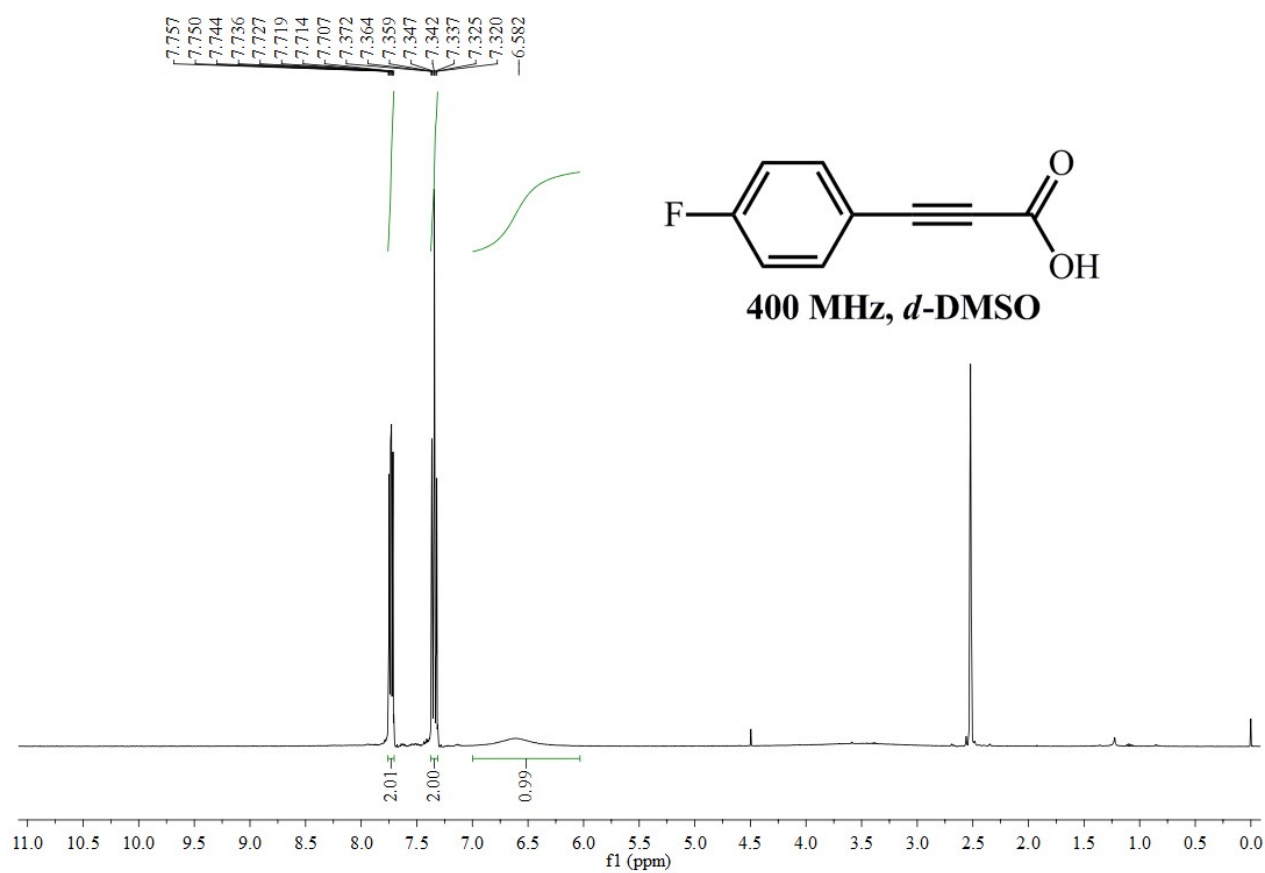
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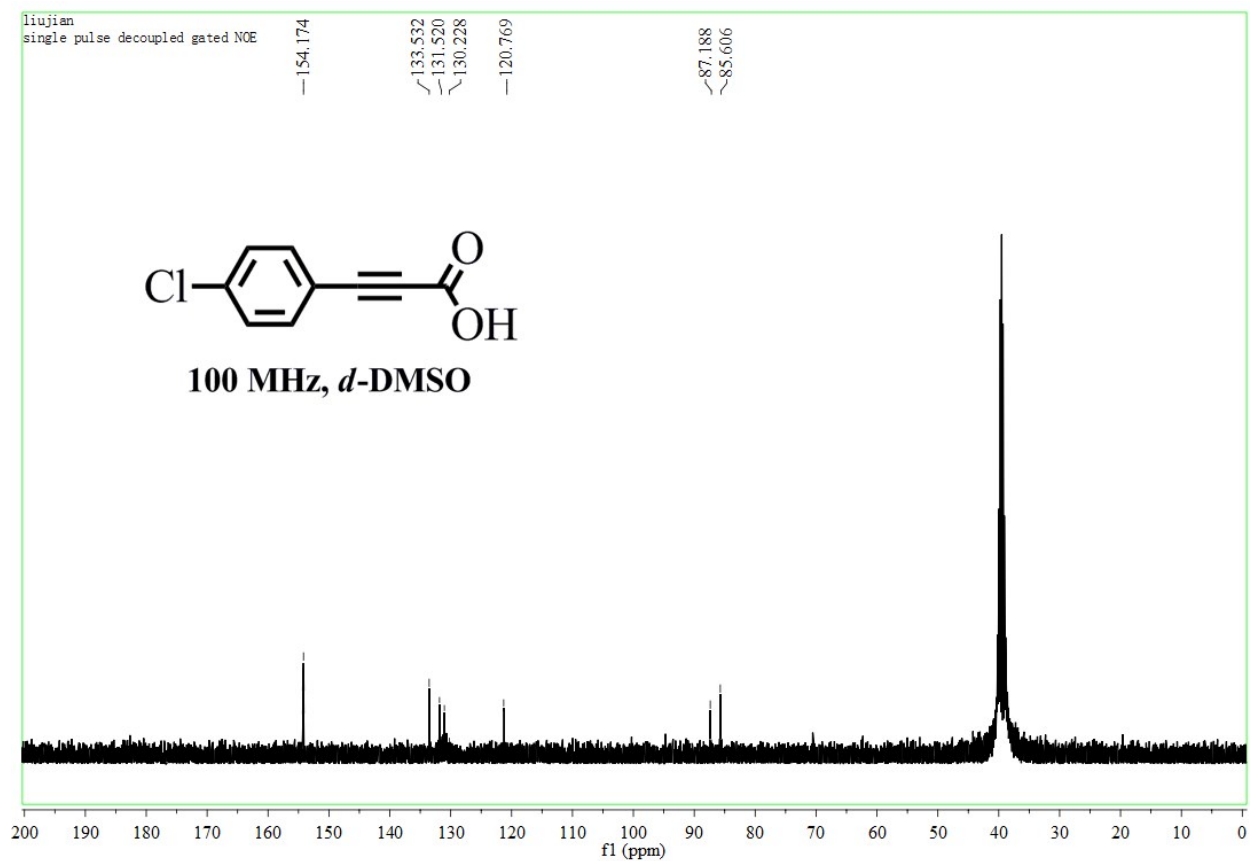
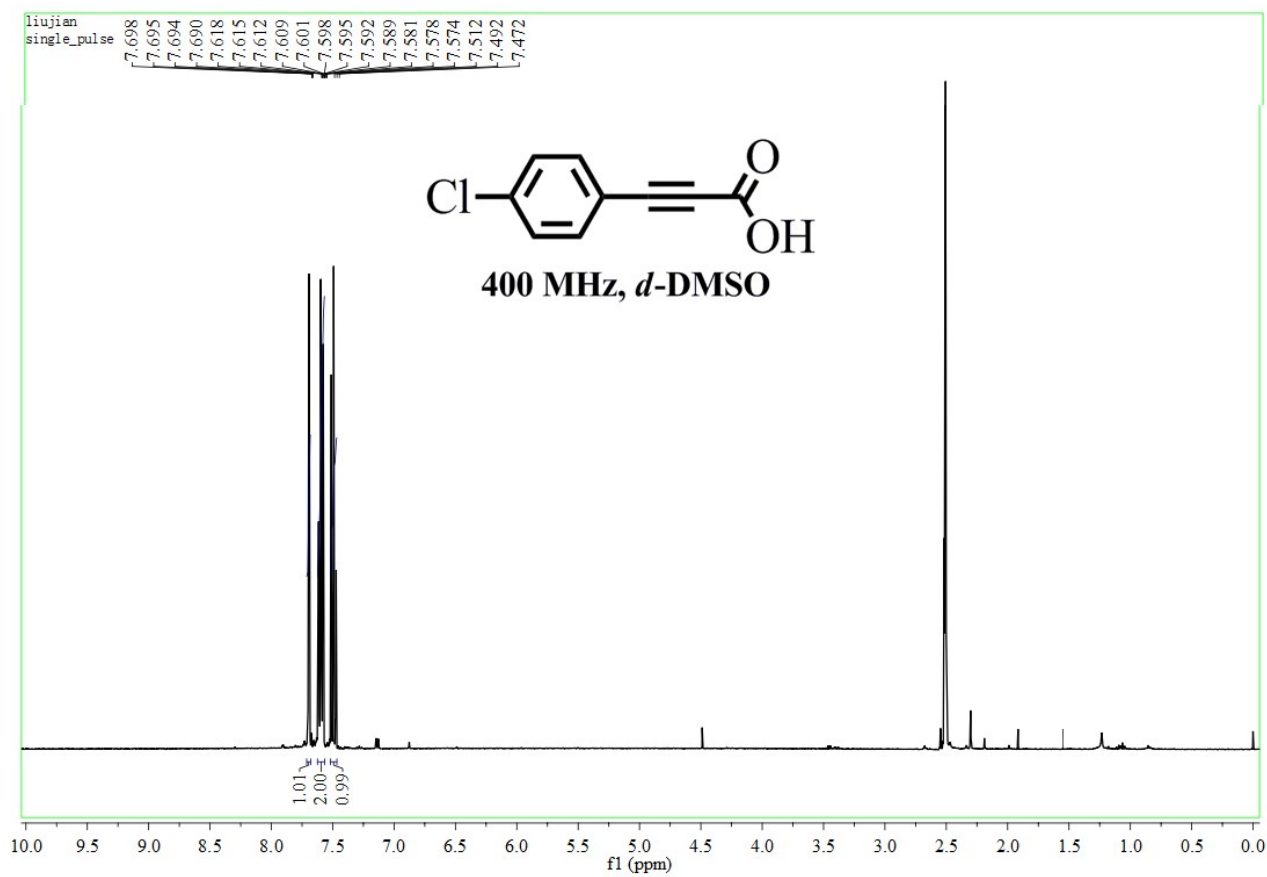
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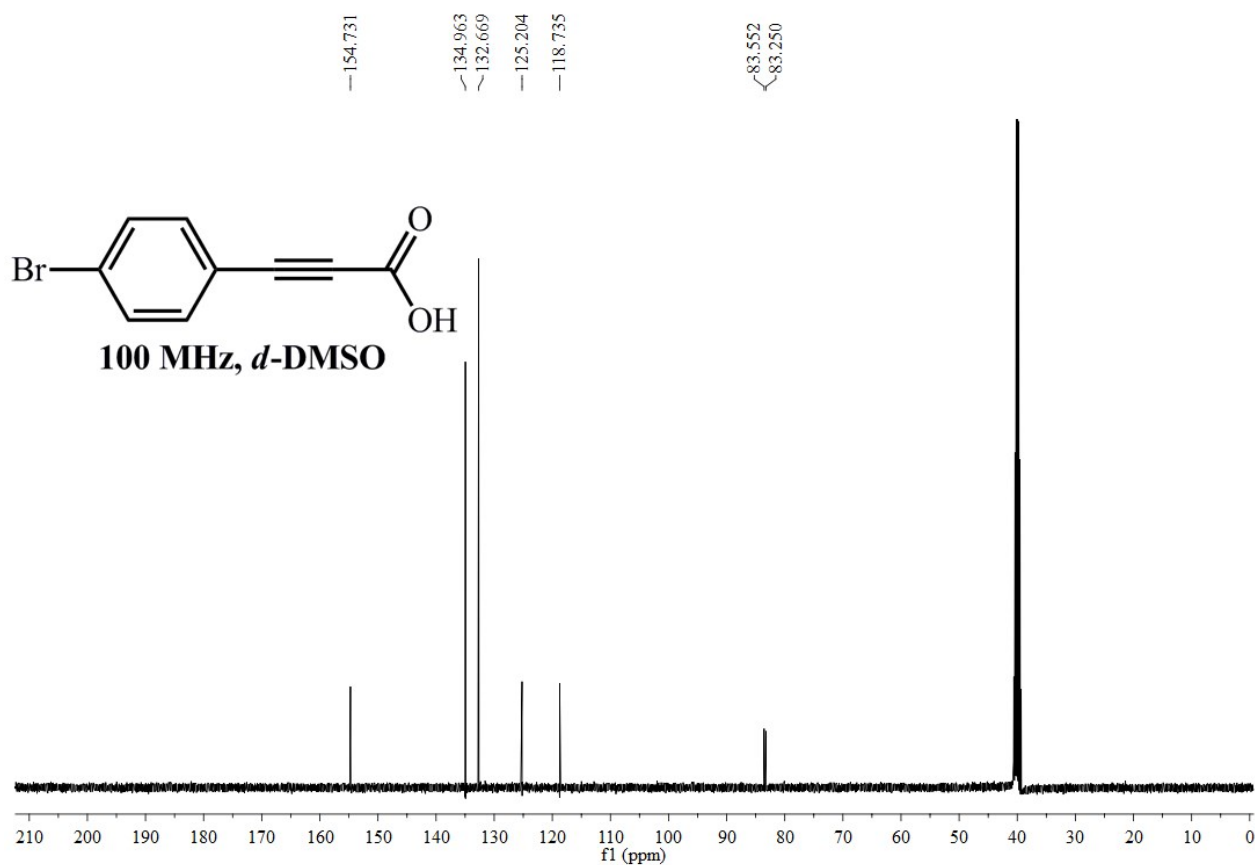
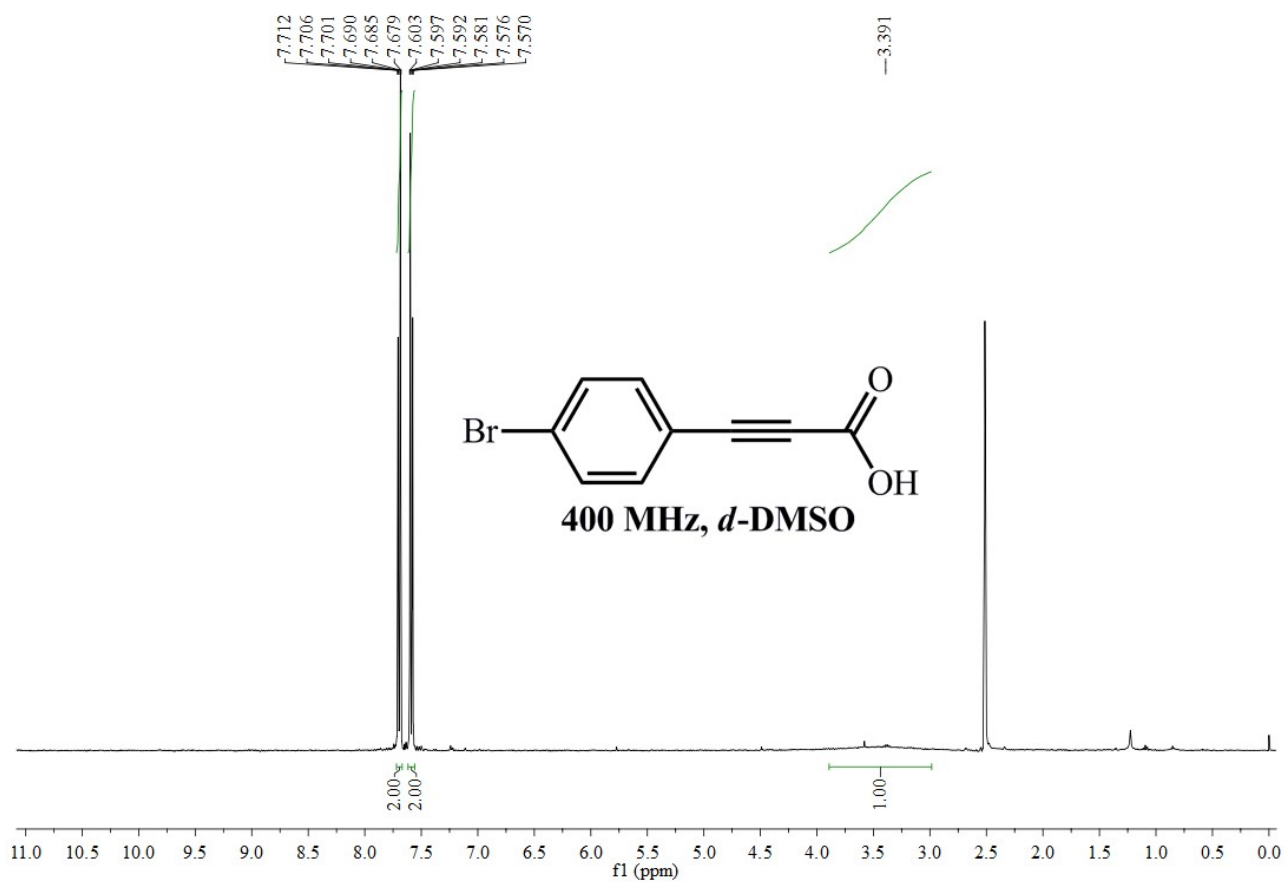
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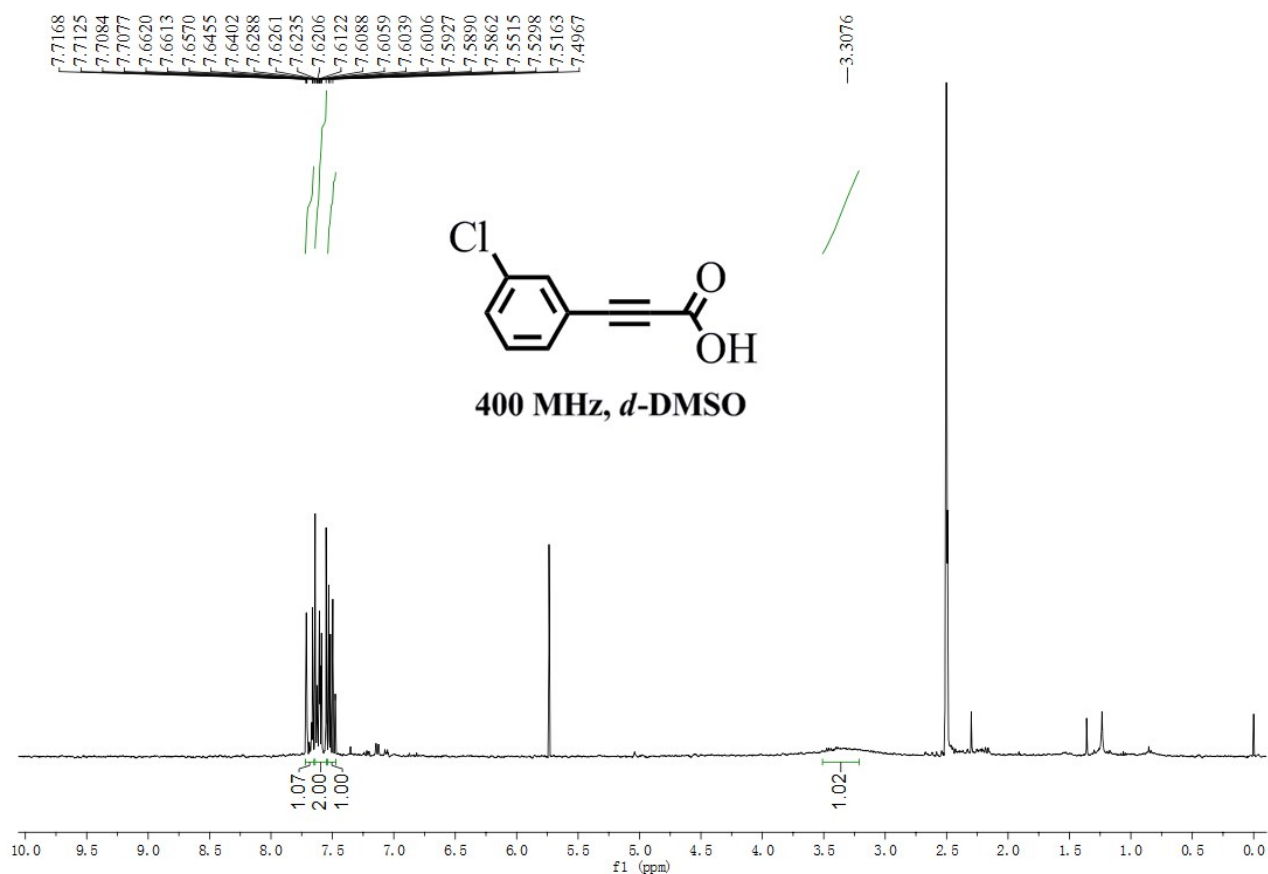
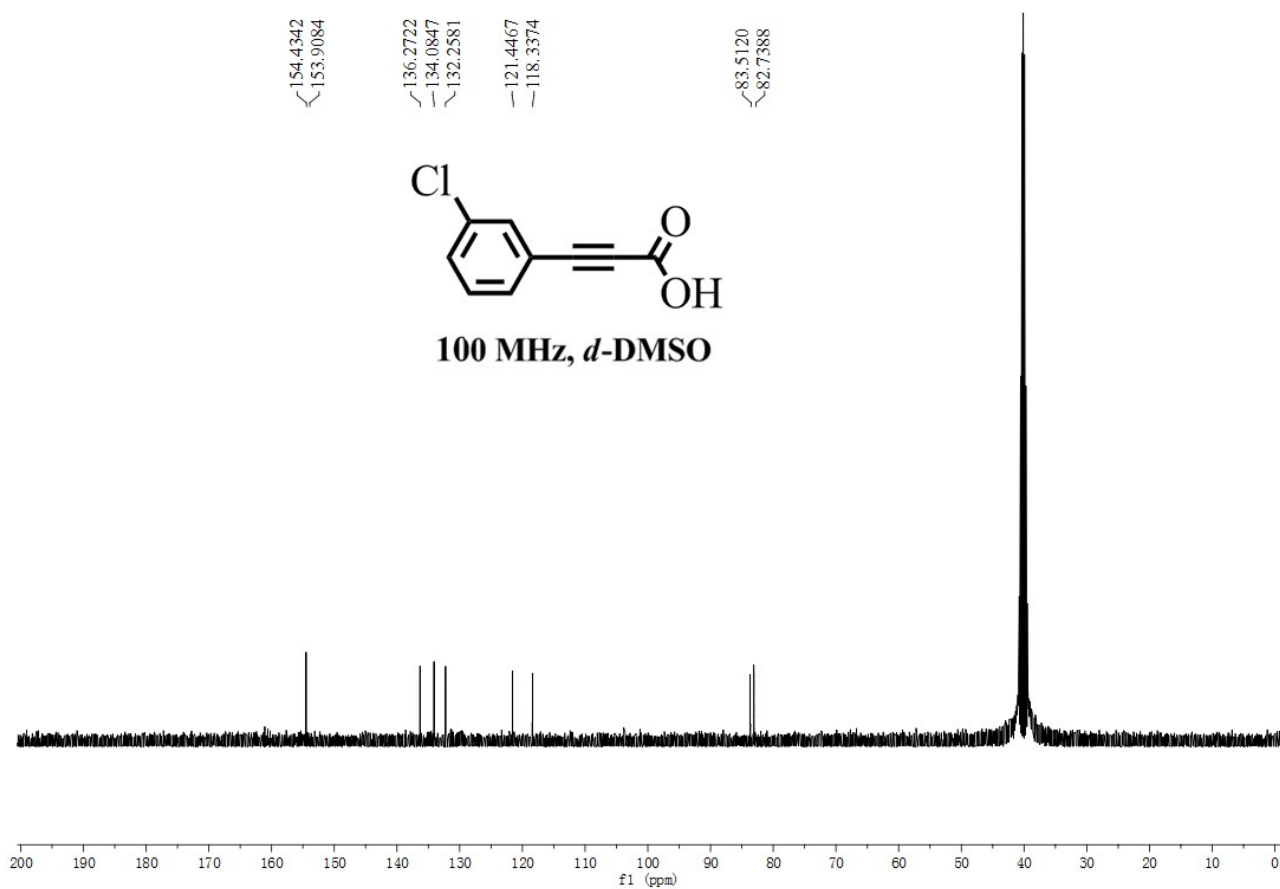
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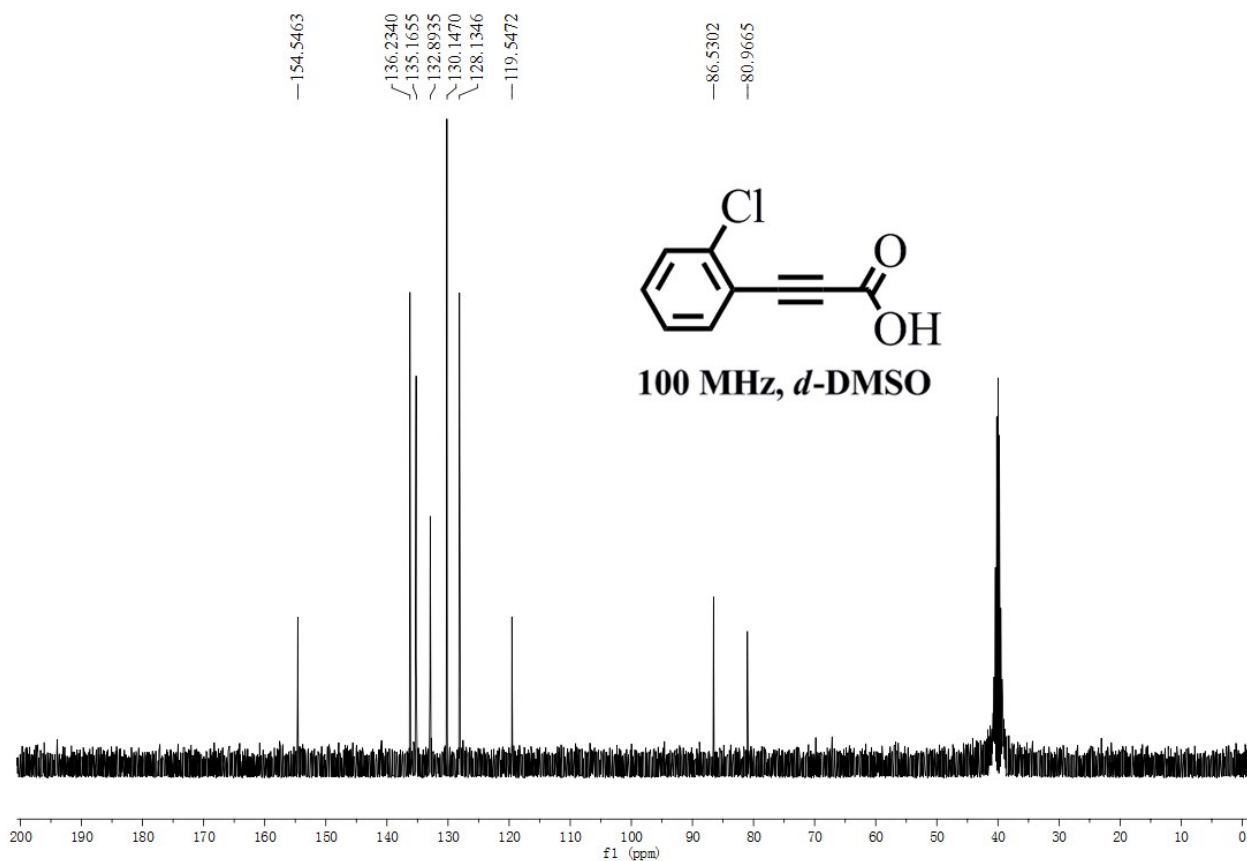
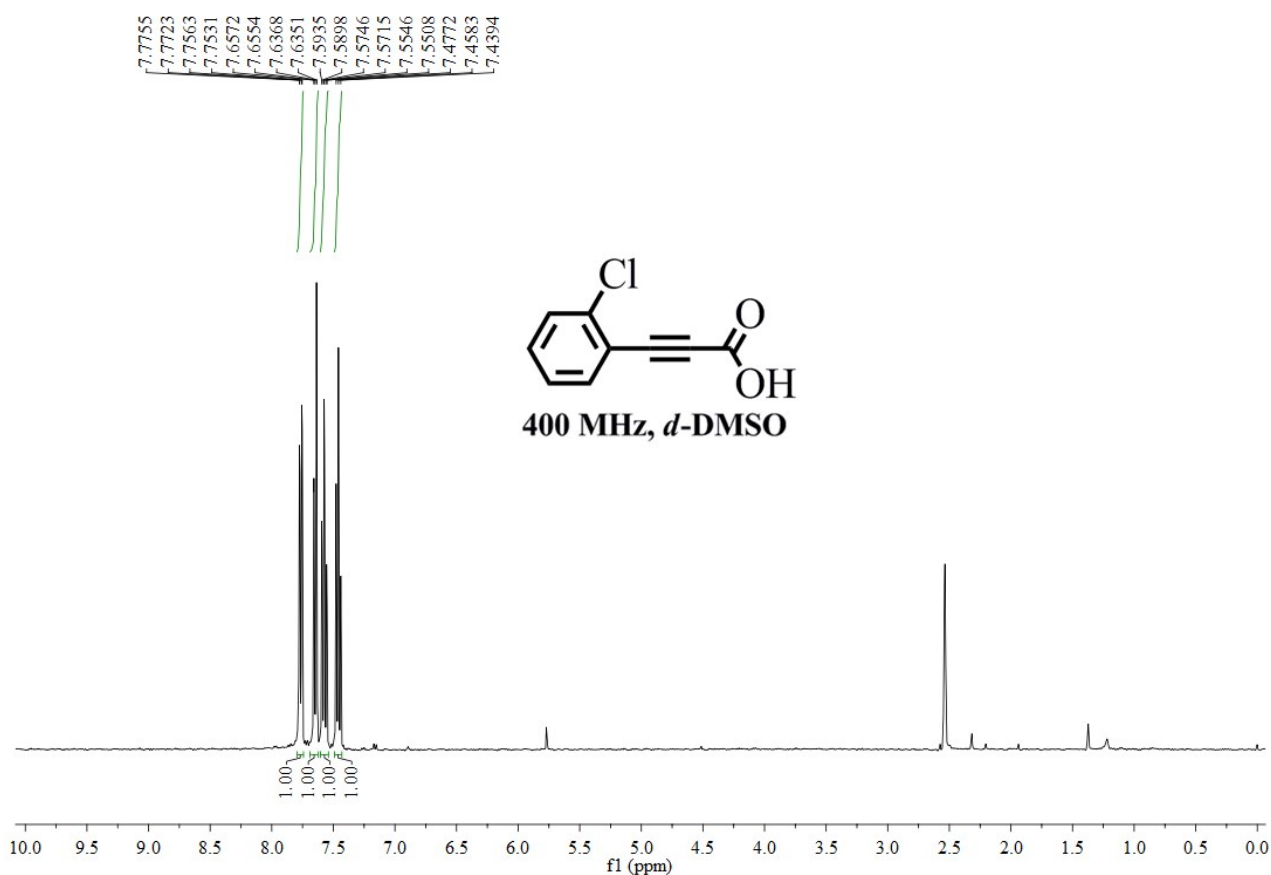
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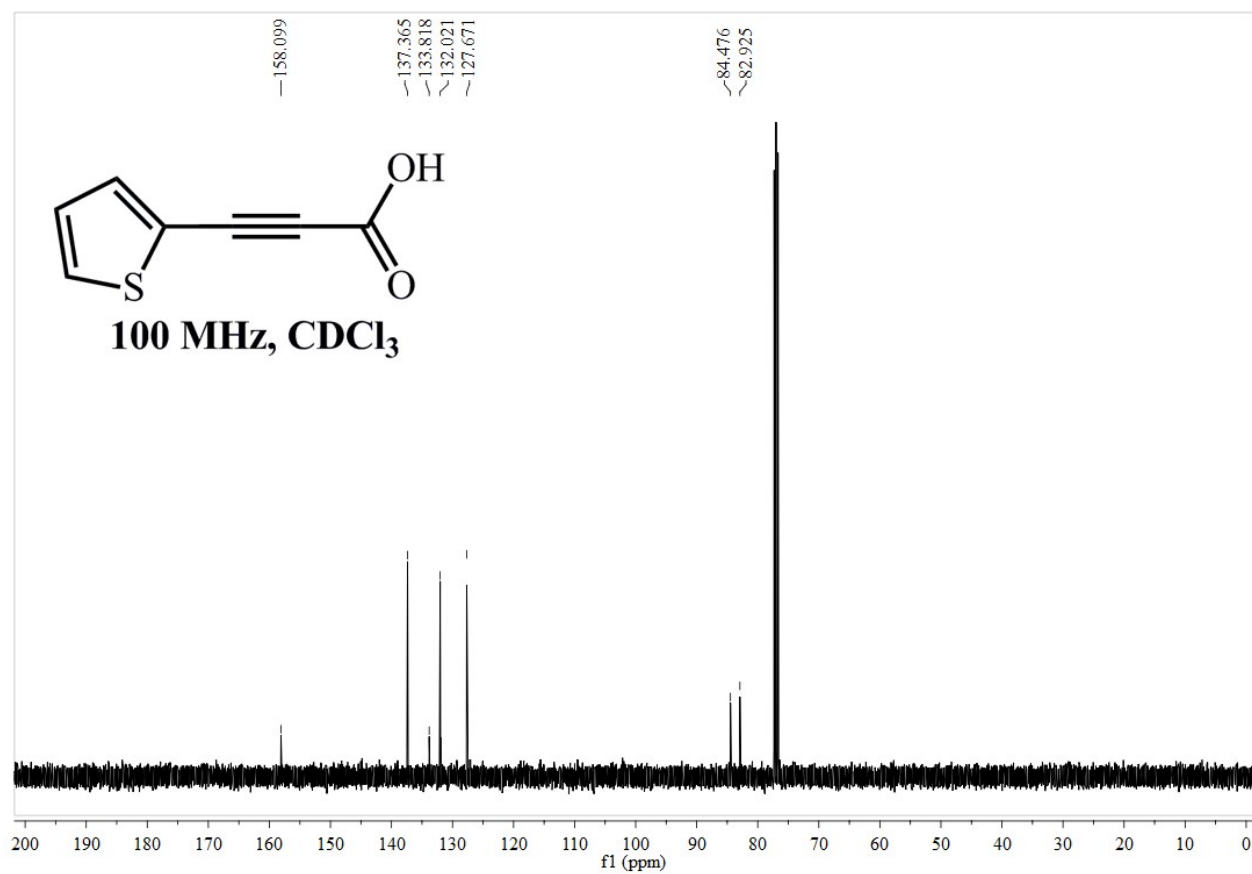
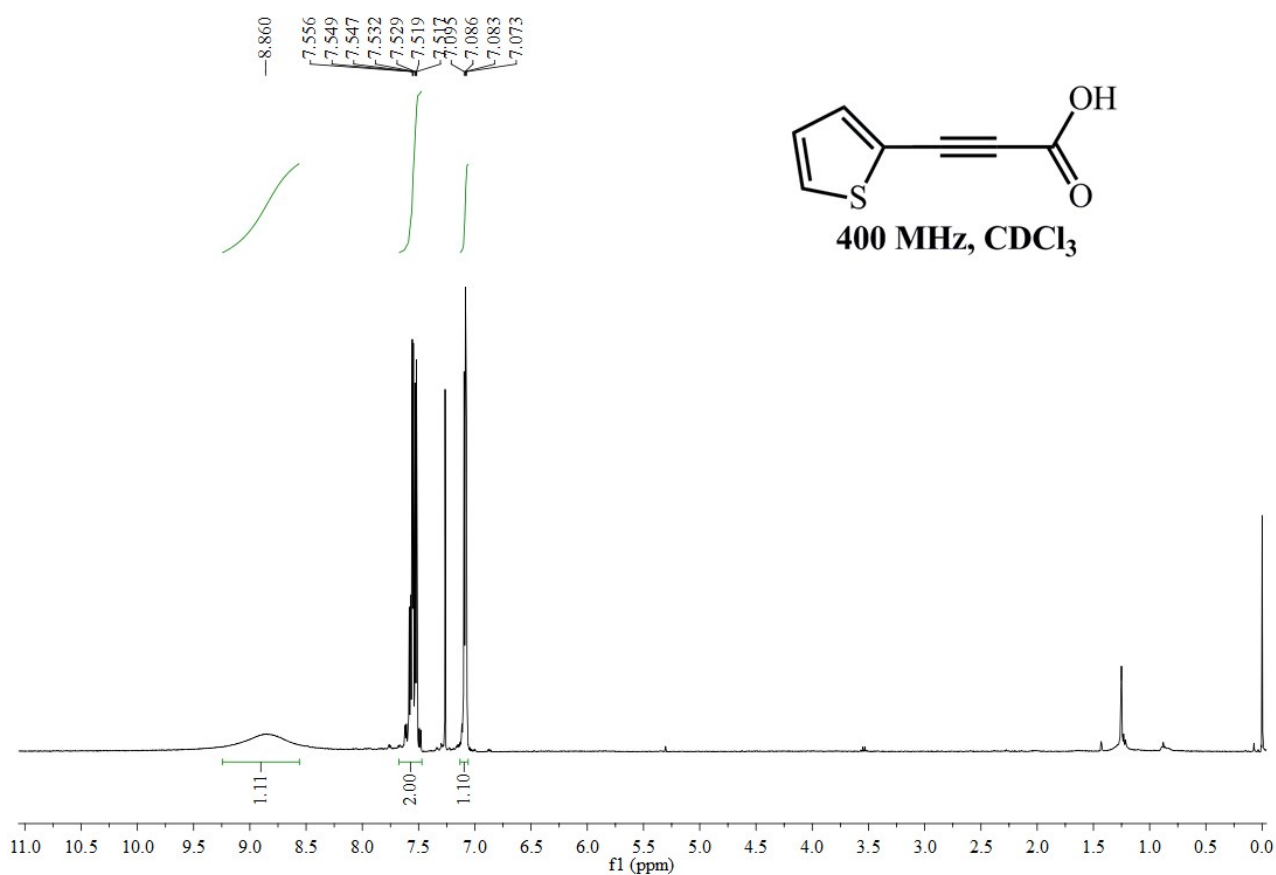
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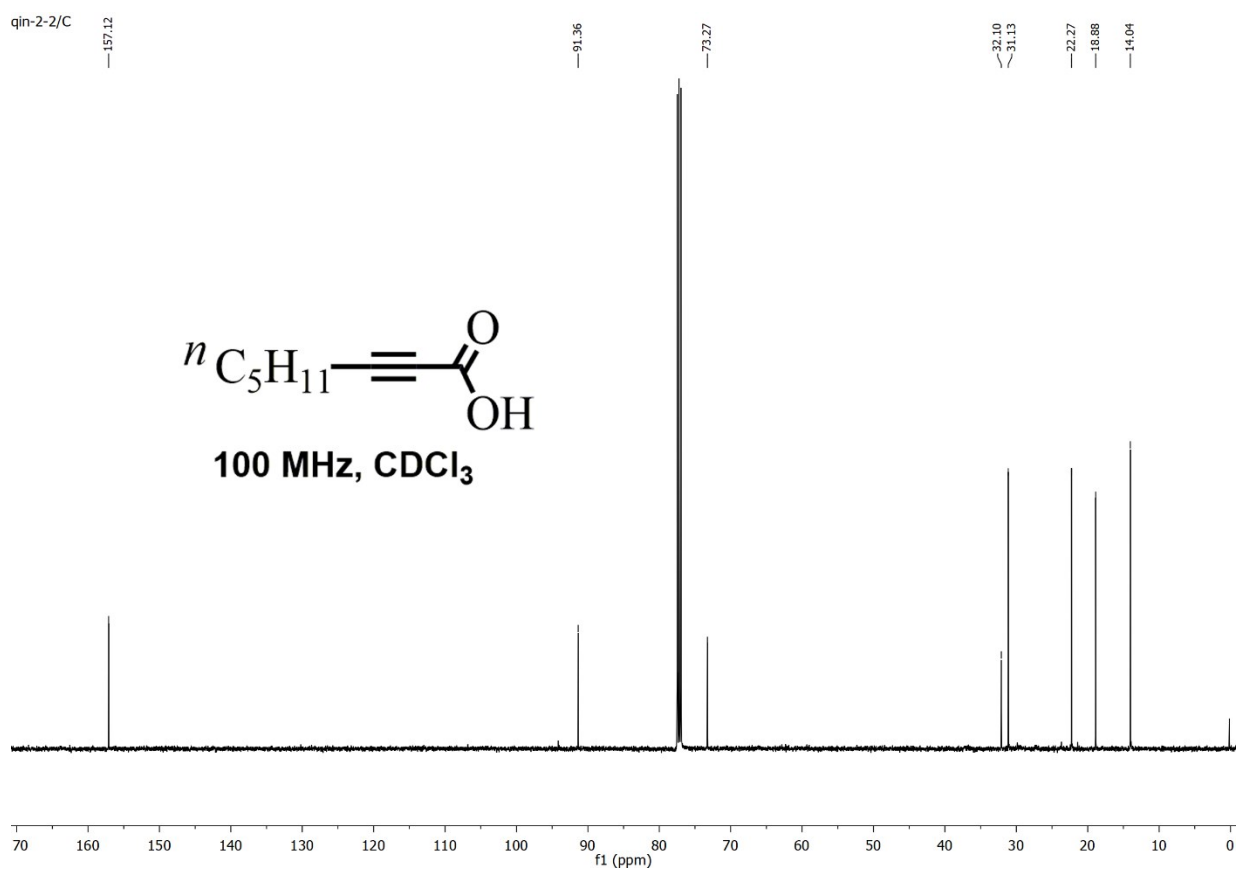
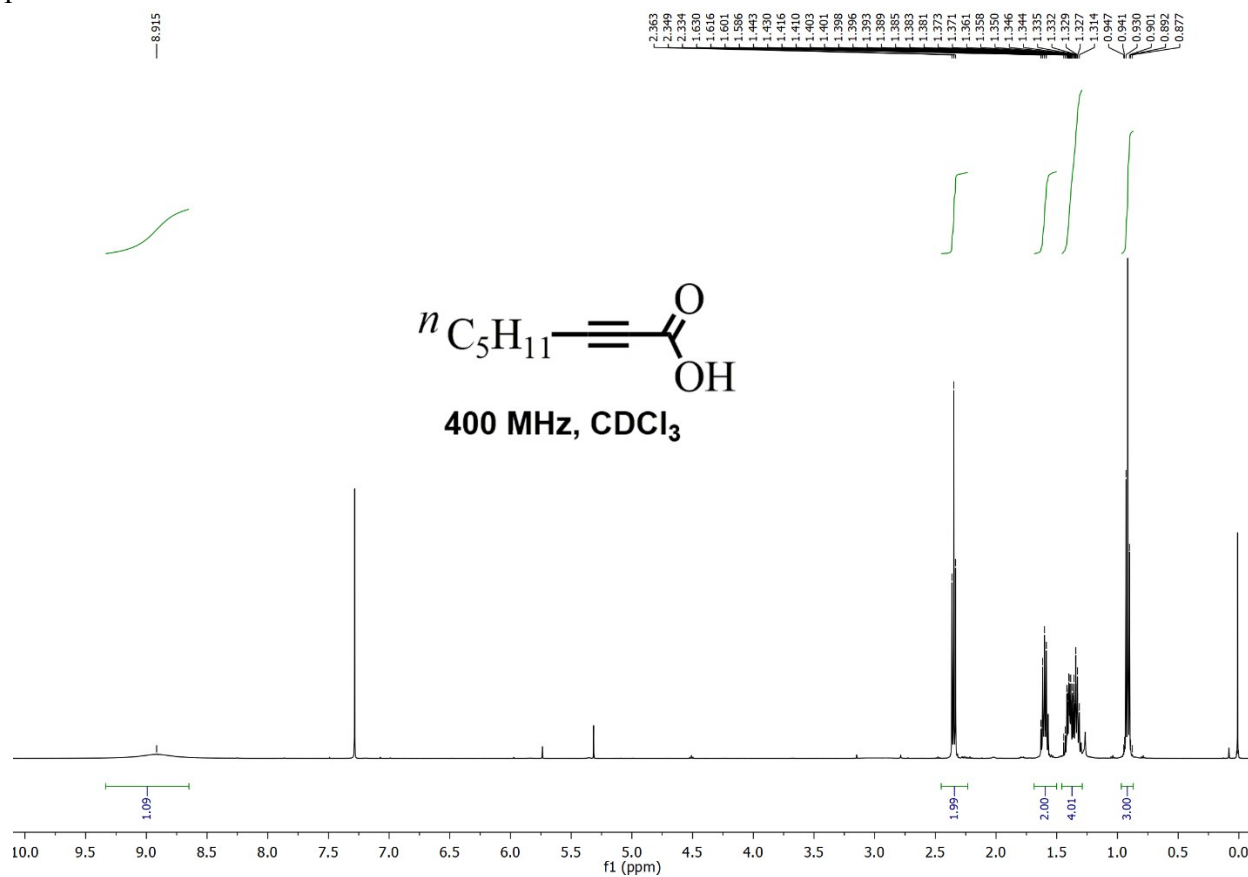
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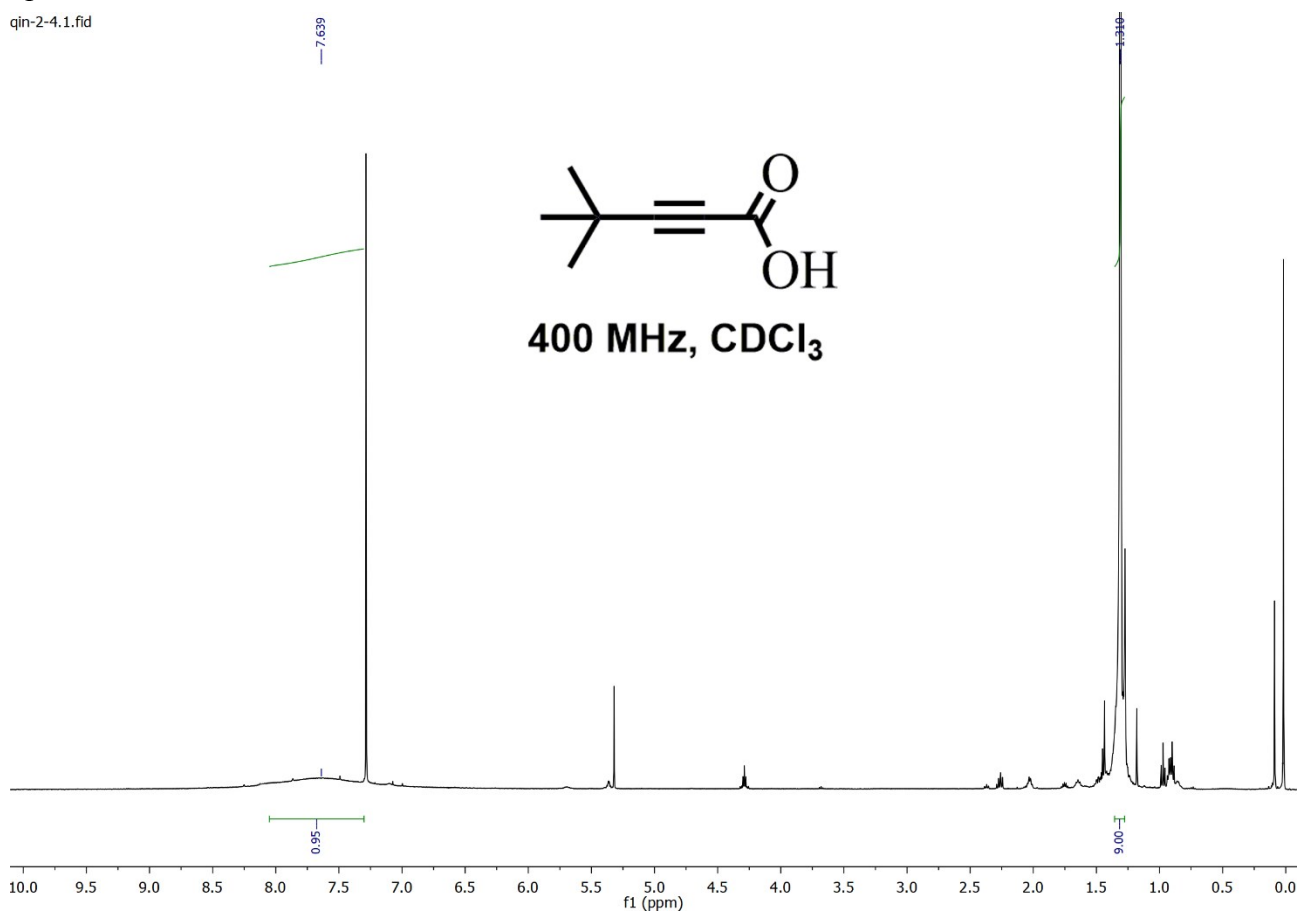


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