

# Supporting Information

## Photoredox initiated azole-Nucleophilic Addition: oxo-azolation of *gem*-Difluoroalkenes.

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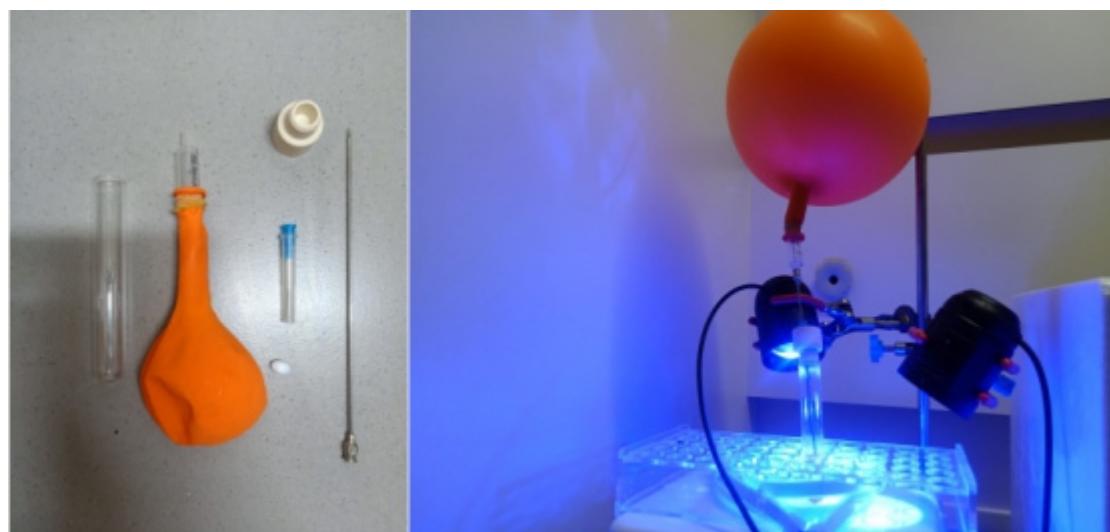
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## **1. Materials and Methods:**

All commercially available reagents were used without further purification. Analytical grade solvents were bought from Energy Chemical Co., LTD and used without processed. The reactions were carried out under blue light, an oxygen atmosphere (realized by inserting a balloon), magnetically stirred, and monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC), visualized by fluorescence quenching under UV light. Flash chromatography was performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh). All deuterated solvents were purchased from Meryer (Shanghai) chemical technology Co., LTD. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Ascend 300 spectrometer operating at 300 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H acquisitions, 75 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C acquisitions and 282 MHz for <sup>19</sup>F acquisitions. Chemical shifts were referenced to the residual proton solvent peaks (<sup>1</sup>H: CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ 7.26; (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO, δ 2.50; CD<sub>3</sub>OD, δ 3.31; CD<sub>3</sub>CN, δ 1.94), solvent <sup>13</sup>C signals (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ 77.16; (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO, δ 39.52; CD<sub>3</sub>OD, δ 49.00), dissolved or external neat PhCF<sub>3</sub> (<sup>19</sup>F, δ -63.3 relative to CFCl<sub>3</sub>). Signals are listed in ppm, and multiplicity identified as s = singlet, br = broad, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet; coupling constants in Hz; integration. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained using Agilent LC-UV-TOFmass spectrometer. Yields refer to purified and spectroscopically pure compounds.

## **2. Information for reaction set up:**



### 3. Optimization of the reaction

#### 3.1 Screen different photoredox catalyst

		Cat. (1 mol%) $O_2$ (balloon)		
		solvent, additives Blue LED		
		1a	2a	3a
Entry	Catalyst (1 mol%)	Solvent (0.25 M)	Additives (10 mol%)	Yield <sup>a</sup>
1	PC-I	o-DCB	TEMPO, $O_2$	64%
2	[Ir]-2	o-DCB	TEMPO, $O_2$	NR
3	[Ru]-1	o-DCB	TEMPO, $O_2$	NR
4	PC-II	o-DCB	TEMPO, $O_2$	<5%
5	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO, $O_2$	83%

PC-I: Acr-Me  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  (redox potential:  $E^{\star\text{red}} = +2.20 \text{ V}$ )
   
 PC-II: 2,4,6-triphenyl-pypyliumfluoroborate (redox potential:  $E^{\star\text{red}} = +2.55 \text{ V}$ )
   
 PC-III:  $[\text{Ir}(\text{dF})(\text{CF}_3)(\text{ppy})_2(5,5'\text{-dCF}_3\text{bpy})]\text{PF}_6^-$  (redox potential:  $E^{\star\text{red}} = +1.94 \text{ V}$ )
   
 PC-IV:  $\text{Ir}(\text{dF-CF}_3\text{-ppy})_2(\text{dtbpy})\text{PF}_6^-$  (redox potential:  $E^{\star\text{red}} = +1.69 \text{ V}$ )
   
 PC-V:  $\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3\text{Cl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (redox potential:  $E^{\star\text{red}} = +1.29 \text{ V}$ )

<sup>a</sup>NMR yield using trifluorotoluene as an internal standard.

### 3.2 Screen different solvent.

		Cat. (1 mol%) $\text{O}_2$ (balloon) solvent, additives Blue LED		
		0.5 mmol	1.0 mmol	3a
Entry	Catalyst (1 mol%)	Solvent (0.25 M)	Additives (10 mol%)	Yield <sup>a</sup>
1	PC-I	THF	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	16%
2	PC-I	DMF	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	NR
3	PC-I	DCM	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	35%
4	PC-I	DMSO	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	NR
5	PC-I	MeCN	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	18%
6	PC-I	tBuOMe	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	NR
7	PC-I	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	55%
8	PC-I	HFIP	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	NR
9	PC-I	NMP	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	NR
10	PC-I	o-DCB	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	64%
11	PC-I	o-DCB/DCE (1:1)	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	53%
12	PC-III	m-DCB	TEMPO, $\text{O}_2$	72%

<sup>a</sup>NMR yield using trifluorotoluene as an internal standard.

### 3.3 Screen different additives.

		Cat. (1 mol%) $\text{O}_2$ (balloon) solvent, additives Blue LED		
		0.5 mmol	1.0 mmol	3a
Entry	Catalyst (1 mol%)	Solvent (0.25 M)	Additives (10 mol%)	Yield <sup>a</sup>
1	PC-I	o-DCB	TEMPO, NaCO <sub>3</sub>	48%
2	PC-I	o-DCB	TEMPO, t-BuONa	33%
3	PC-I	o-DCB	TEMPO, 2,6-Lutidine	28%
4	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO	70%
5	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO, LiCl	83%
6	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO, Li <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	80%
7	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO, AcOONa	75%
8	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO, 4 Å	94% (88%)
9	PC-III	o-DCB	TEMPO, KI	NR
10	PC-III	o-DCB	4 Å	64%
11	PC-III	o-DCB	Sc(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	35%
12	PC-III	o-DCB	Zn(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	28%

<sup>a</sup>NMR yield using trifluorotoluene as an internal standard. Isolated yield shows in bracket

### 3.4 Screen different nucleophile.

A messy mixture was formed when we use other nucleophiles (as shown in the table below) to react with *gem*-difluoroalkene (**1a**) under optimal conditions.

N Center	NH <sub>3</sub>	Boc-NH-Boc	MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -NHTs	TMSN <sub>3</sub>
C Center	Me-C(=O)-C(=O)-OEt	TMSCF <sub>3</sub>	TMSC≡CH	TMSCN
O, S Center	PhSO <sub>2</sub> Na	Me <sub>3</sub> SiSCN	Ph-OH	

The table of nucleophiles

## 4. Mechanistic studies

### 4.1 The effect of irradiation time on the experiment



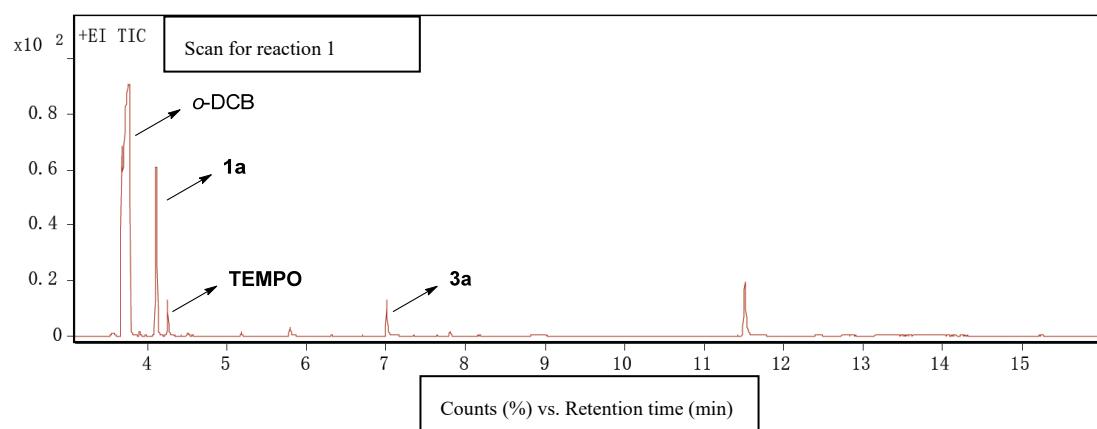
To gain insights into the reaction mechanism, intermittent light illumination of the reaction was carried out and results indicated that continuous irradiation is necessary to maintain conversion. The reaction was conducted under standard condition with light illumination for different time. The reaction was monitored by GC-Ms.

Reaction 1: After 1 hour light irradiation, the reaction was carried out in dark environment for 11 h.

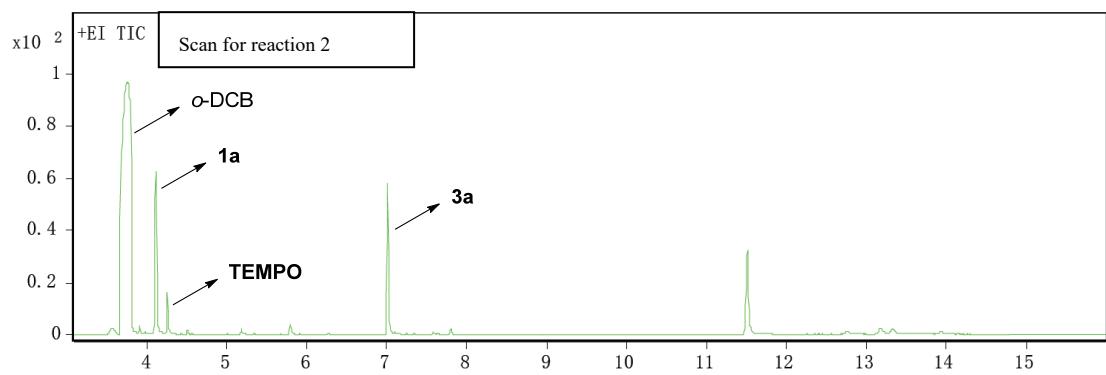
Reaction 2: The reaction was conducted under light irradiation for 5h, and then, stir at dark environment.

Reaction 3: The reaction was performed under 12 hour continued light irradiation, and the reaction was monitored by GC-MS per 2 h.

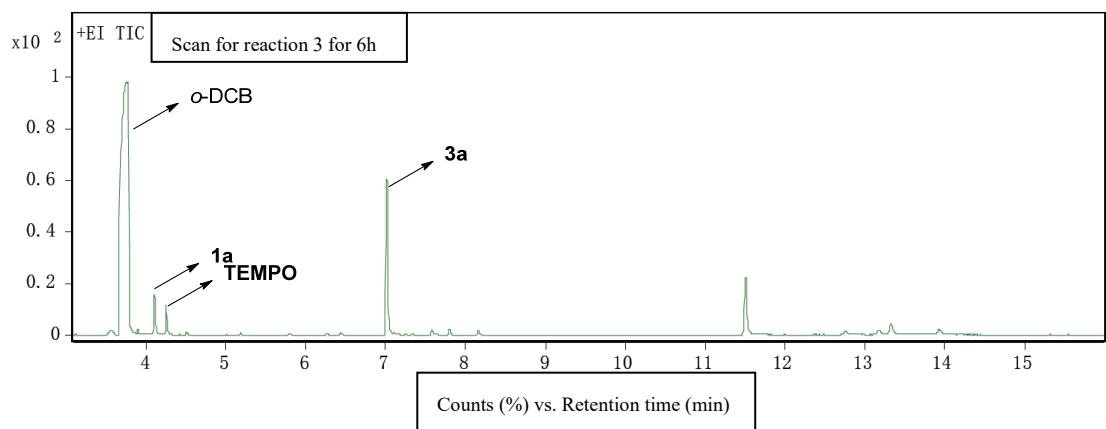
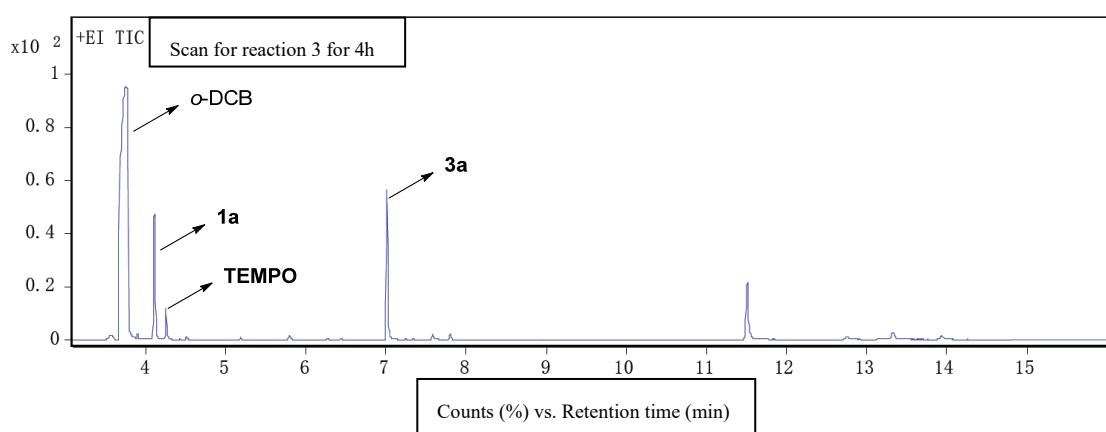
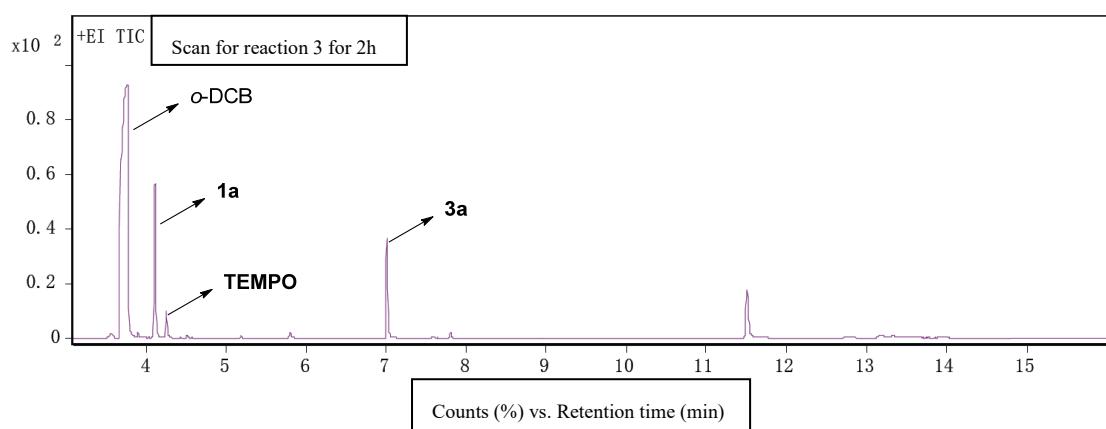
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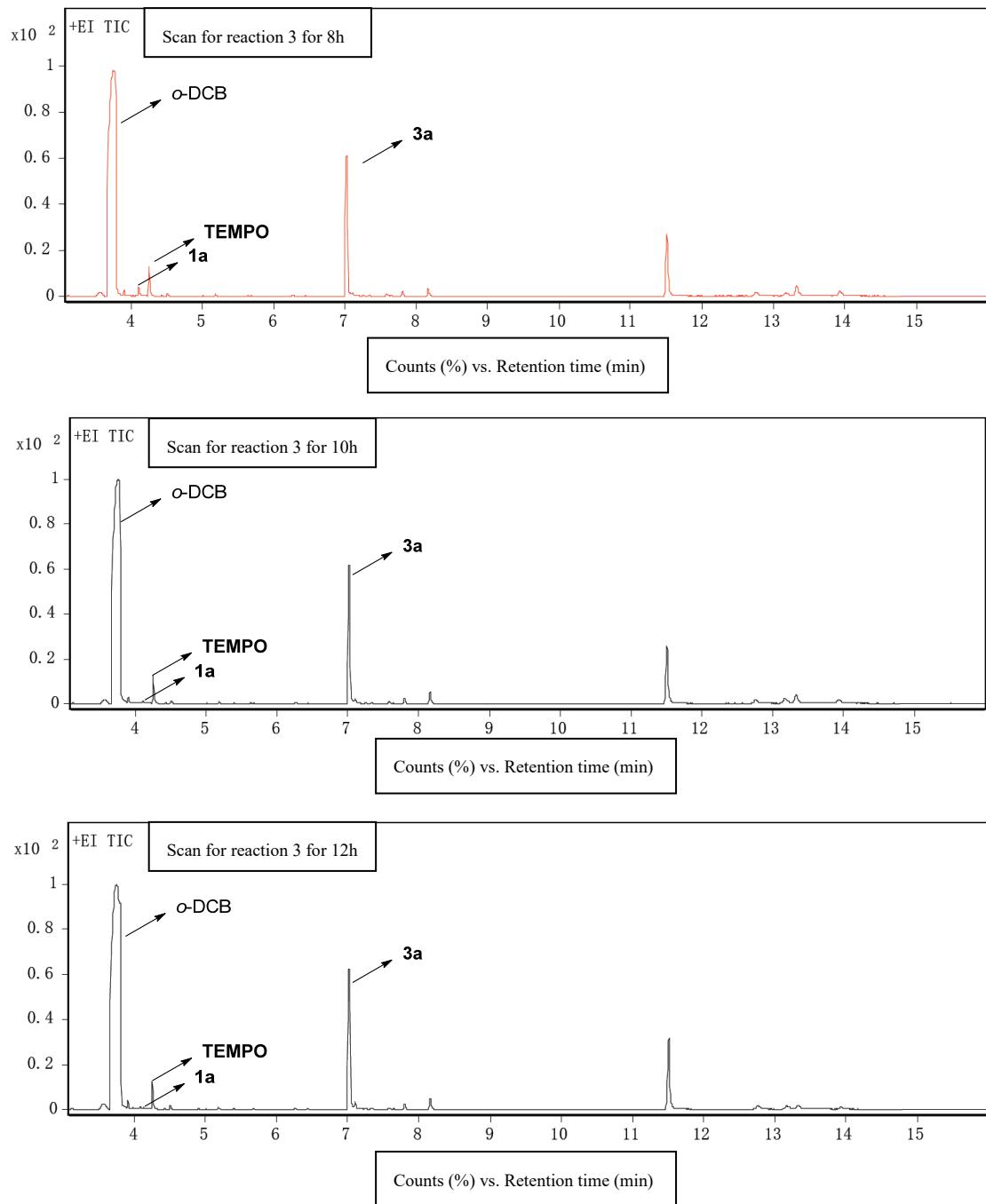


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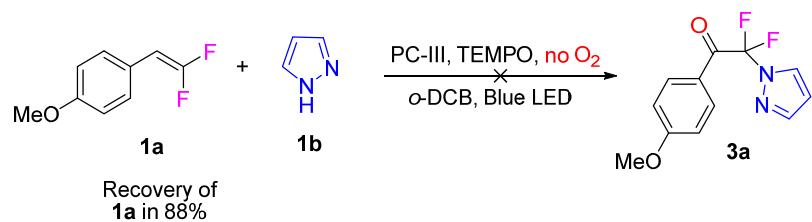
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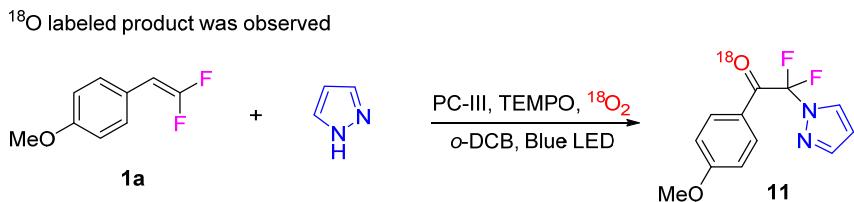
## 4.2. Reaction without O<sub>2</sub>

The reaction runs without O<sub>2</sub>

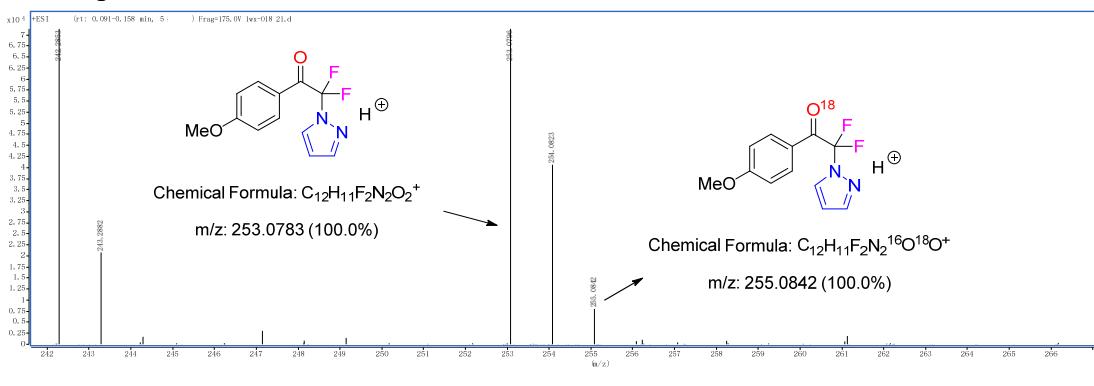


The reaction was conducted under the optimized condition without  $O_2$ . After 8 hours light irradiation, the product of **3a** was not observed. The starting material of **1a** could be recovered in 88% yield after column chromatography.

### 4.3. Reaction with $^{18}O_2$

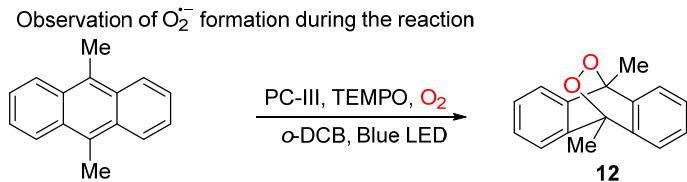


The reaction was conducted under the optimized condition, and a 10% purity of  $^{18}O_2$  was used instead of pure normal oxygen. The product was isolated. Further HRMS analysis was confirmed the formation of product **11**. The result indicated the oxygen atom of product comes from  $O_2$ .

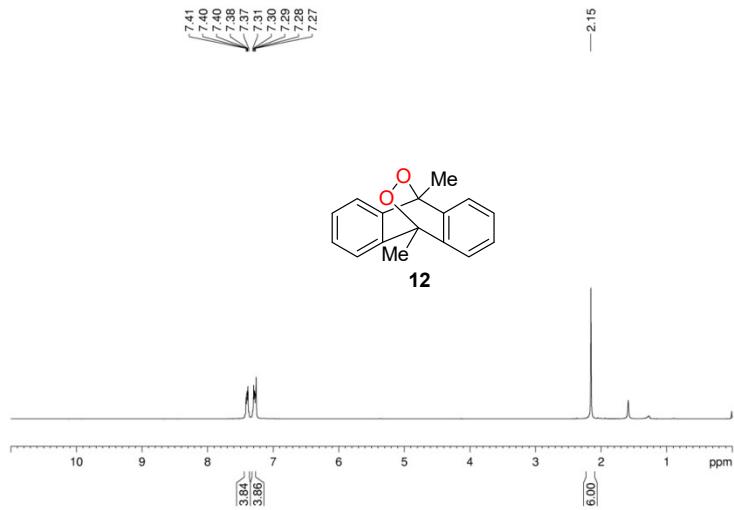


HMRS of compound **11** mixed with compound **3a**

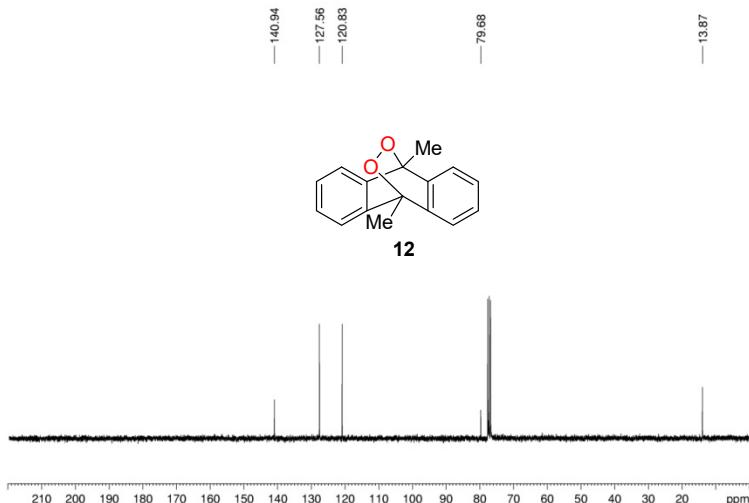
### 4.4. Investigation the formation of $O_2^-$ species



It is well known that singlet oxygen or  $O_2^-$  species could be generated by the energy transfer from photosensitizer to molecular oxygen under light. It is confirmed that oxygen and photoredox are necessary for this transformation. However, it is not clear how oxygen participate in the reaction. One possibility is that  $O_2^-$  species is produced, which is responsible for the oxidative procedure coupling process under standard reaction condition. Trapping experiments using 9,10-dimethylanthracene under the standard conditions afforded **12** formed. The result supported the generation of  $O_2^-$  species (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, *126*, 15999-16006). Compound **12** (white solid), NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25°C,  $\delta$ ): 7.41-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 4H), 2.15 (m, 6H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (75 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 140.9, 127.6, 120.8, 79.7, 13.9. The data is consistent with the published literature (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, *126*, 15999-16006).



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 12

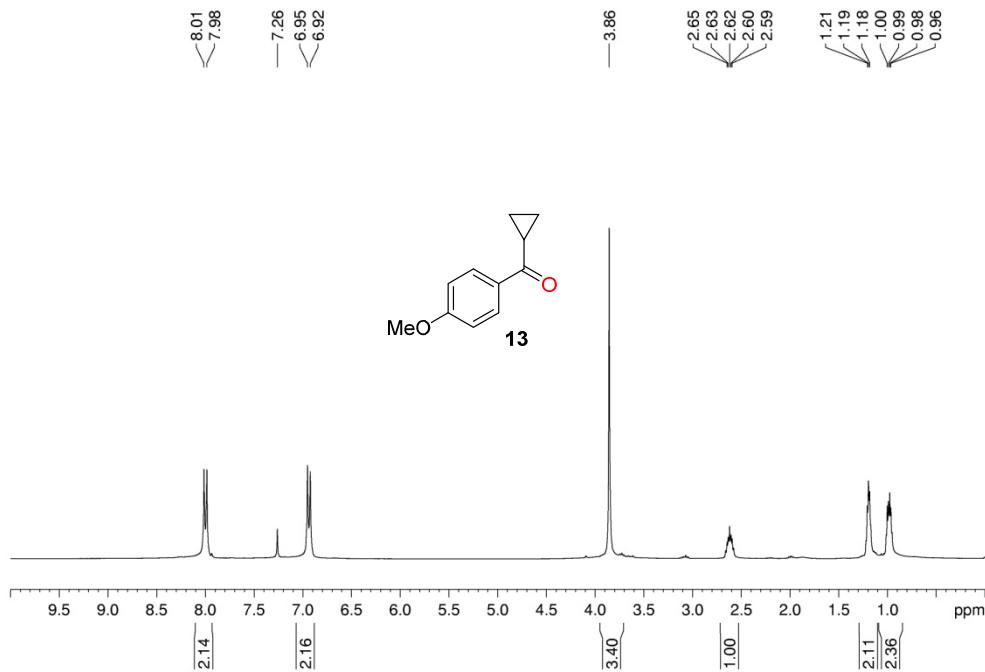


<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 12

#### 4.5. Observation of ketone and alcohol formation

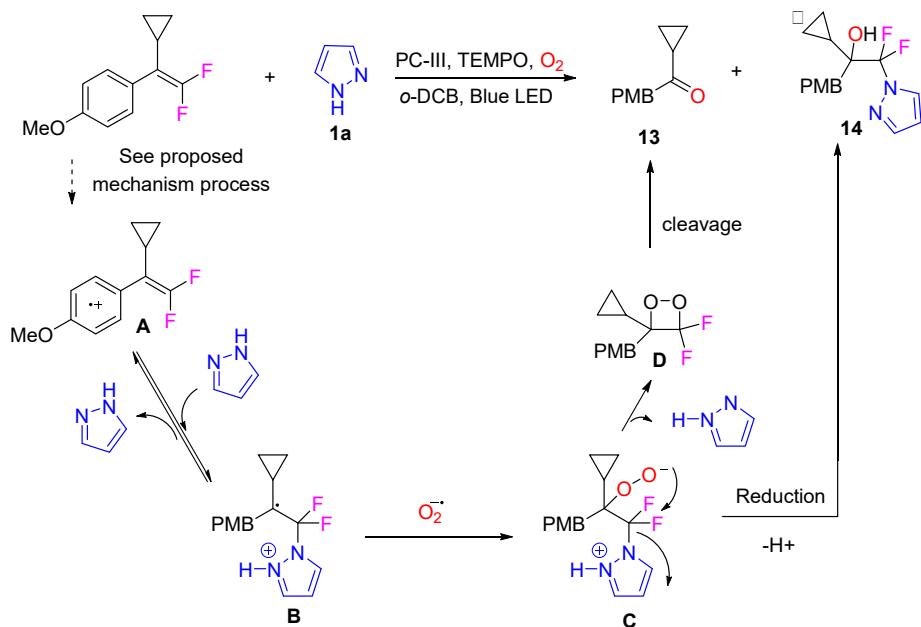
Next, cyclopropane substituted *gem*-difluoroalkene and pyrazole were mixed in the standard condition. The result turned out that ketone **13** was separated in 51% yield and tertiary alcohol was detected by HRMS, without identifying any cyclopropane ring cleavage product. These implicate the involvement of long live benzylic radicals in the transformation is not possible. It is proposed that the reversible intermediate **B** could readily trapped by O<sub>2</sub><sup>•-</sup> species to gain intermediate **C** which could undergo a fast intramolecular substitution reaction to form dioxetane intermediate **D**. Trace amount of

14 was possibly formed by reduction of C. Intermediate **D** could proceed a ring cleavage process to gain product **13**.

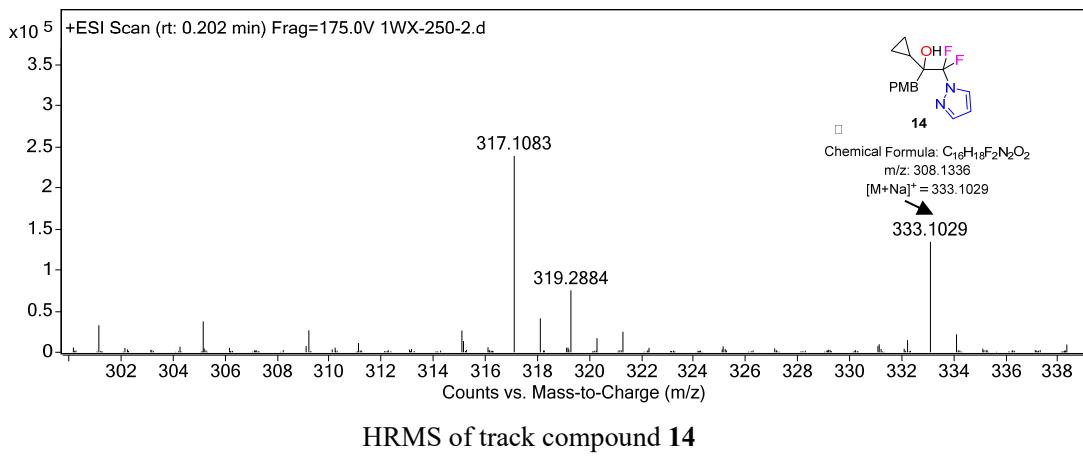


<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **13**

Observation of ketone and alcohol formation during the reaction



Proposed pathway to gain compound **13** and **14**

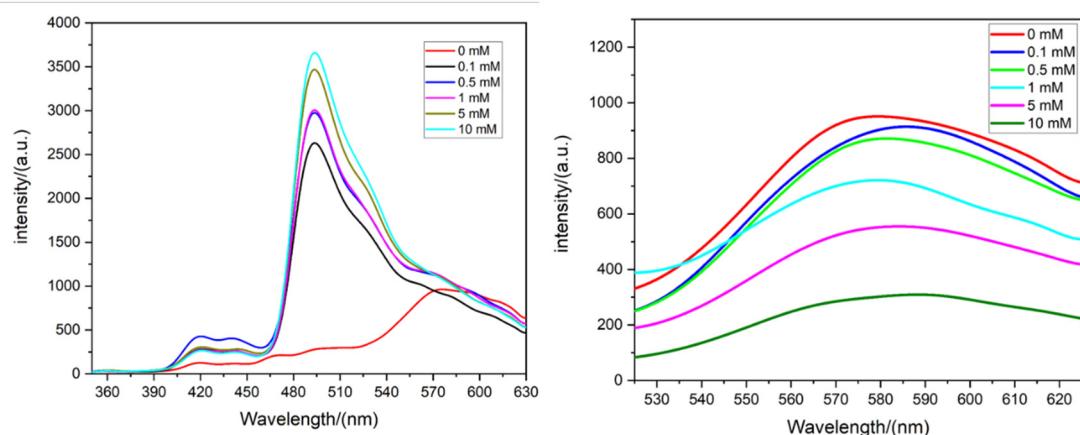


#### 4.6. Luminescence Quenching Studies

Visible light luminescence intensities were recorded using an Thermo Scientific Lumina spectrophotometer. All luminescence measurements were recorded using a fluorescence glass cuvette (10 x 10 mm, 3.5 mL).

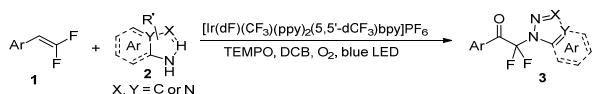
In a typical procedure, pyrazole (6.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) was dissolved and diluted to a final volume of 10 mL ( $c = 10$  mM) with a stock solution of  $\text{Ir}[(\text{dF})(\text{CF}_3)(\text{ppy})_2(5,5'-\text{dCF}_3)\text{bpy}]\text{PF}_6$  in *o*-DCB ( $c = 10$   $\mu\text{M}$ ). Serial dilution of this 10 mM pyrazole solution was carried out by dilution of 5 mL of the 10 mM pyrazole solution to 10 mL (5 mM) with the 10  $\mu\text{M}$  stock solution of  $\text{Ir}[(\text{dF})(\text{CF}_3)(\text{ppy})_2(5,5'-\text{dCF}_3)\text{bpy}]\text{PF}_6$ . All subsequent solutions were prepared by dilution of preceding pyrazole solution to a final volume of 10 mL. All solutions were excited at 320 nm and the emission was measured from 330 to 650 nm.

Fluorescence quenching experiments revealed that the excited state Ir(III) compound was quenched by gem-difluoroalkenes rather than pyrazole, thus indicating a possible SET process between gem-difluoroalkenes and the excited state Ir(III) compound.



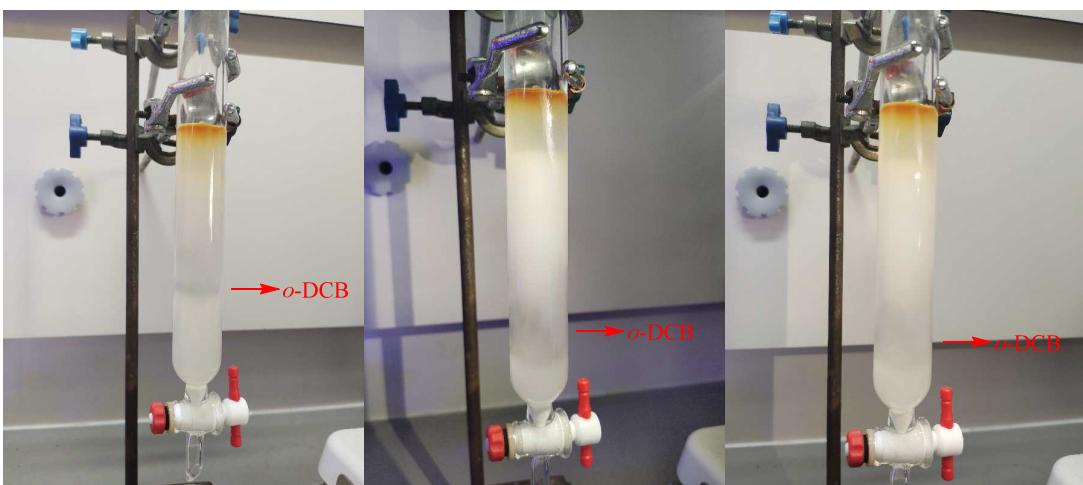
Emission spectra for  $\text{Ir}[(\text{dF})(\text{CF}_3)(\text{ppy})_2(5,5'-\text{dCF}_3)\text{bpy}]\text{PF}_6$  luminescence quenching by pyrazole (left) and *gem*-difluoroalkenes (right).

## 5. General Procedure for Photoredox initiated azole-Nucleophilic Addition



A solution of *gem*-difluoroalkenes **1** (0.5 mmol), azoles **2** (1.0 mmol), TEMPO (10% mmol) and  $[\text{Ir}(\text{dF})(\text{CF}_3)(\text{ppy})_2(5,5'\text{-dCF}_3)\text{bpy}] \text{PF}_6$  (PC-III)(1% mmol) in *o*-DCB (2.0 mL, 0.25 M of **1**) was stirred at room temperature under  $\text{O}_2$  atmosphere in a test tube with rubber plug. The tube was sealed with an oxygen balloon and then the mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature with the irradiation of blue LED for 8 h or until the totally consumption of **1** which was detected by TLC. Upon completion of the reaction, the mixture was directly purified column chromatography on silica gel, using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to get pure product.

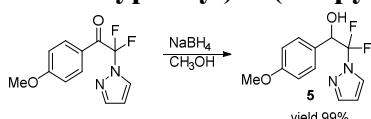
The solvent of *o*-DCB could be easily recovered by column chromatography (see the following pictures). It will firstly come down from the column and it can be recovered by concentration via vacuum. The solvent was reused for 5 times and the reaction efficiency was maintained.



Recover the solvent of *o*-DCB

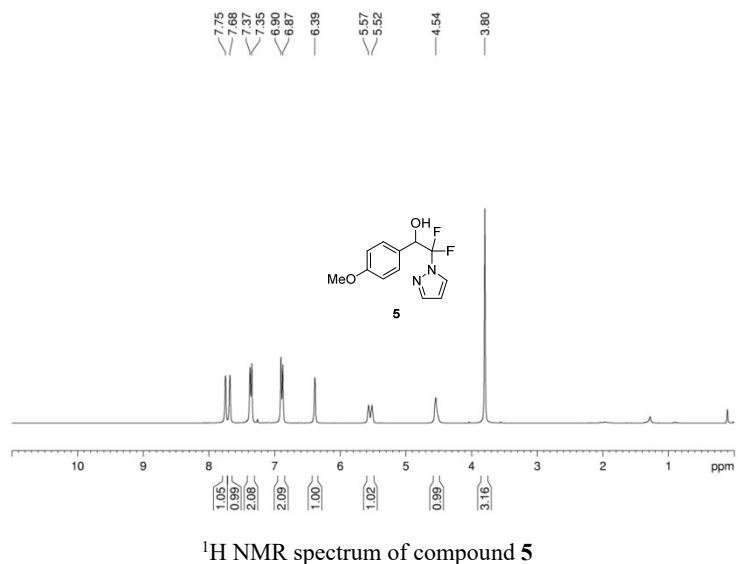
## 6. Product Transformation

### Synthesis of 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-ol (**5**)

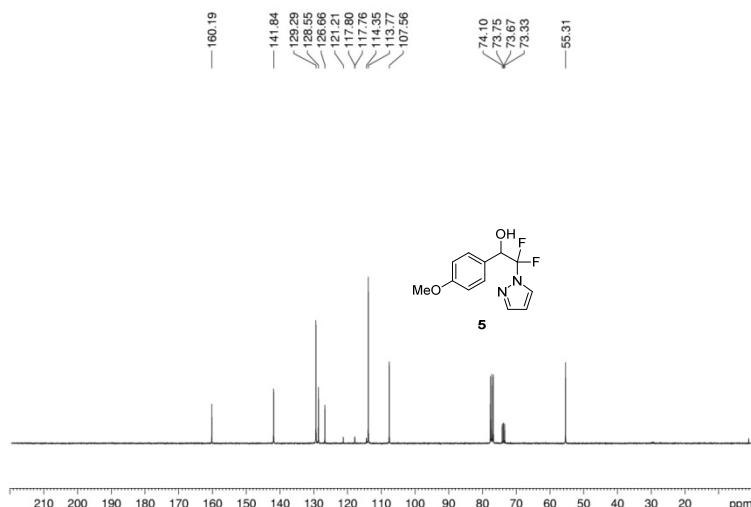


Under the temperature of 0 °C, to a solution of 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (1.0 mmol, 252 mg) in methanol (3.0 mL), sodium borohydride (1.0 mmol, 38 mg) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at 0 °C. The mixture was quenched by adding a few drops of 1.0 M HCl and then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. Finally, the mixture was extracted by

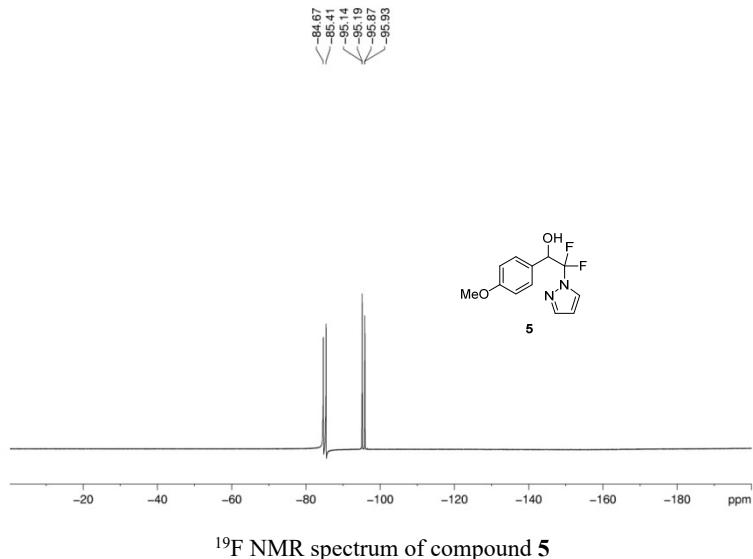
$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (8 mL  $\delta$  3). The organic phase was combined and dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , concentrated and purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with Petroleum ether:EtOAc = 10:1 (v/v), to afford the title product as a white solid. (250 mg, 99%).  $R_f$  = 0.17 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)). NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.36 (d,  $J$  = 8.22 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d,  $J$  = 8.49 Hz, 2H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 5.55 (d,  $J$  = 15 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 160.2, 141.8, 129.3, 128.6, 126.7, 117.8, (dd,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}}$  = 255.8, 258.5 Hz), 113.8, 107.6, 73.7 (dd,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}}$  = 25.9, 31.7 Hz), 55.3.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -85.0 (d,  $J$  = 207.4 Hz), -95.5 (d,  $J$  = 16.5, 207.2 Hz), Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ ), 277.0759, found, 277.0758.



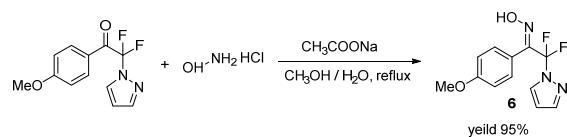
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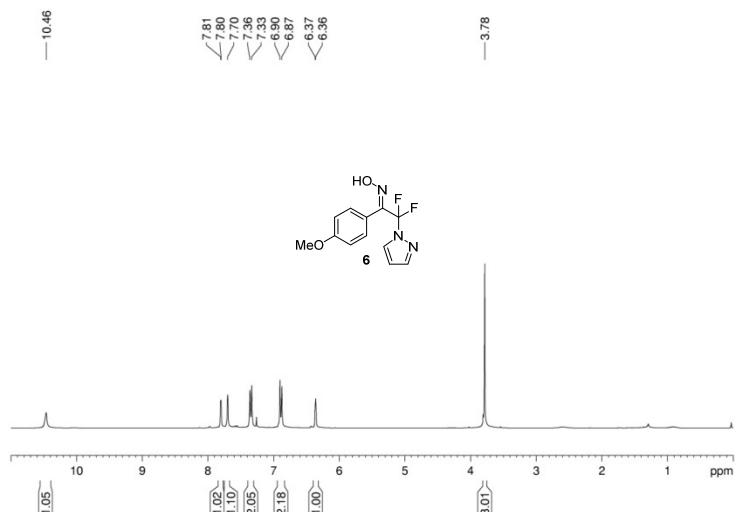
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound 5



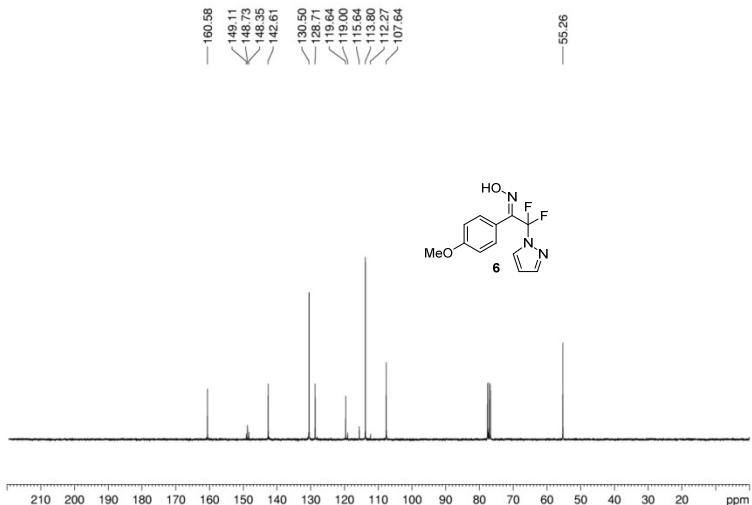
### Synthesis of (E)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one oxime



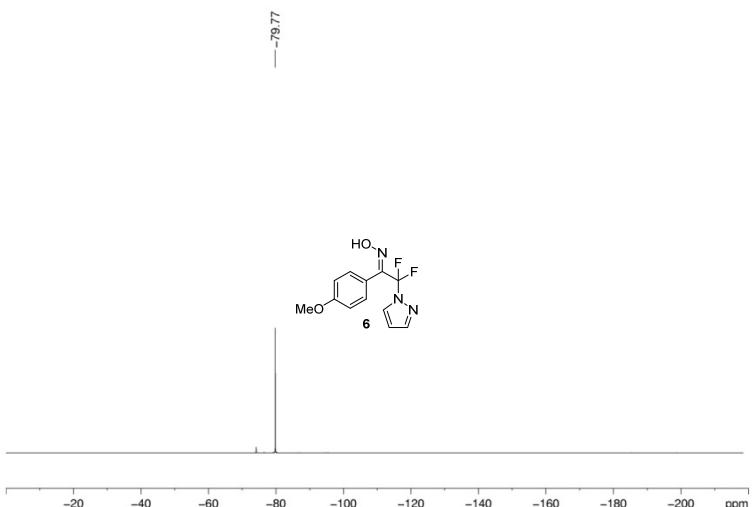
To a solution of ketone (0.6 mmol, 150 mg) and 2.3 equiv of hydrochloride (1.38 mmol, 95 mg) in 4 mL of MeOH, 2.5 equiv of sodium acetate (1.5 mmol, 123 mg) in 2 mL of water was added at room temperature, and the mixture was refluxed for 2.5 h. After completion of the reaction, the solution was evaporated under reduced pressure directly, and then, the mixture was extracted by EtOAc (6 mL  $\times$  3). The organic phase was combined and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated and purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with Petroleum ether: EtOAc 10:1 (v/v), to afford the title product as a colorless oil (152 mg, 95%). R<sub>f</sub> = 0.28 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)). NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 10.46 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 1.92 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.67 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.79 Hz, 2H), 6.37 (d, J = 1.89 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 160.6, 148.7(t, J<sub>2 C-F</sub> = 28.5 Hz), 142.6, 130.5, 128.7, 119.6, 115.6 (t, J<sub>1 C-F</sub> = 252 Hz), 113.8, 107.6, 55.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): -79.8. Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), 268.0892, found, 268.0885.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 6



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 6

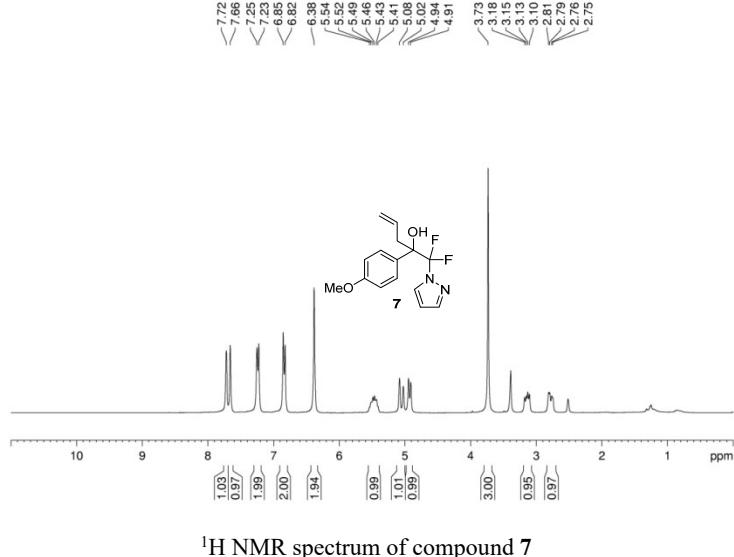


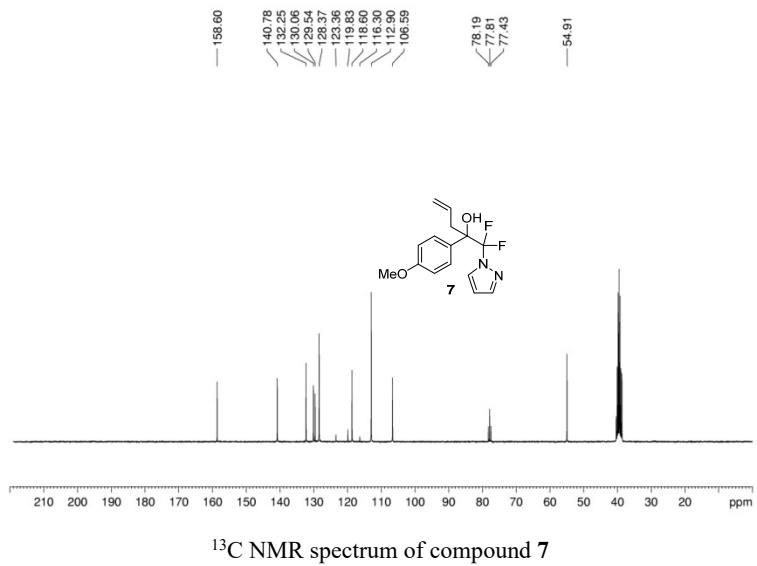
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### Synthesis of 1,1-difluoro-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol

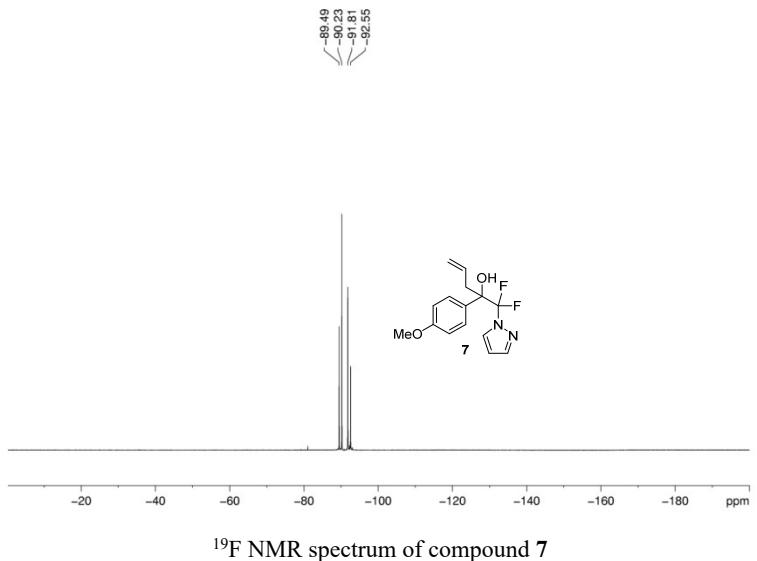


In an oven-dry round flask, 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (0.5 mmol, 126 mg) was dissolved in dry THF (5 mL) under argon atmosphere. Allylmagnesium bromide (0.6 mmol 87 mg) was added at 0 °C, and then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. When reaction finished, 1.0 M HCl was added to quench the mixture and then extracted by ethyl acetate. The combined organic phases were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and the solvent was removed. Purified by column chromatography ( $R_f = 0.26$ , petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) to give product as a white solid (97 mg, 66 %). NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO, 25 °C, δ): 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d,  $J = 8.16$  Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d,  $J = 8.49$  Hz, 2H), 6.38 (s, 2H), 5.54-5.41 (m, 1H), 5.05 (d,  $J = 18$  Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d,  $J = 10.05$  Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.18-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.78 (dd,  $J = 4.89, 9.45$  Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO, 25 °C, δ): 158.6, 140.8, 132.3, 130.1, 129.5, 128.4, 119.8 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 265.0$  Hz), 118.6, 112.9, 106.6, 77.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 28.4$  Hz), 54.9. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO, 25 °C, δ): -89.9 (d,  $J = 207.8$  Hz), -92.2 (d,  $J = 207.8$  Hz), Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), 295.1253, found, 295.1258.



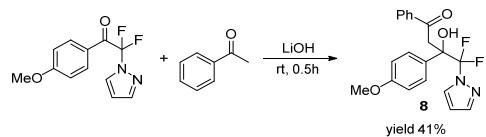


<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 7



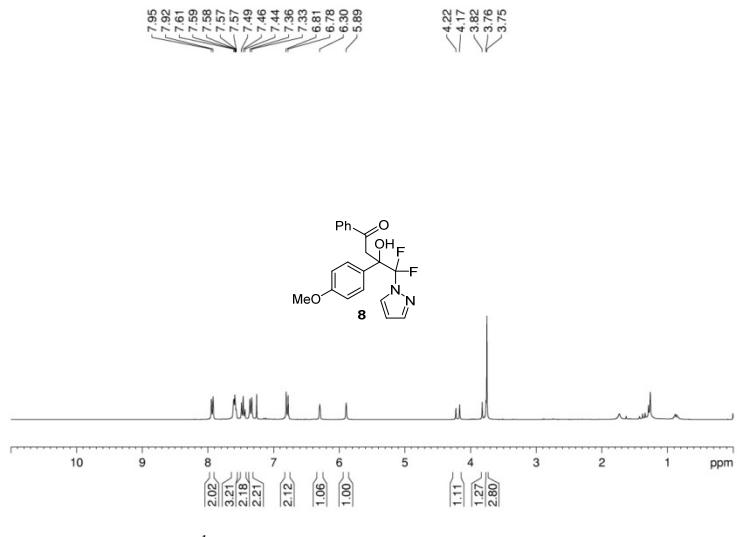
<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound 7

### Synthesis of 4,4-difluoro-3-hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenyl-4-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)butan-1-one 8

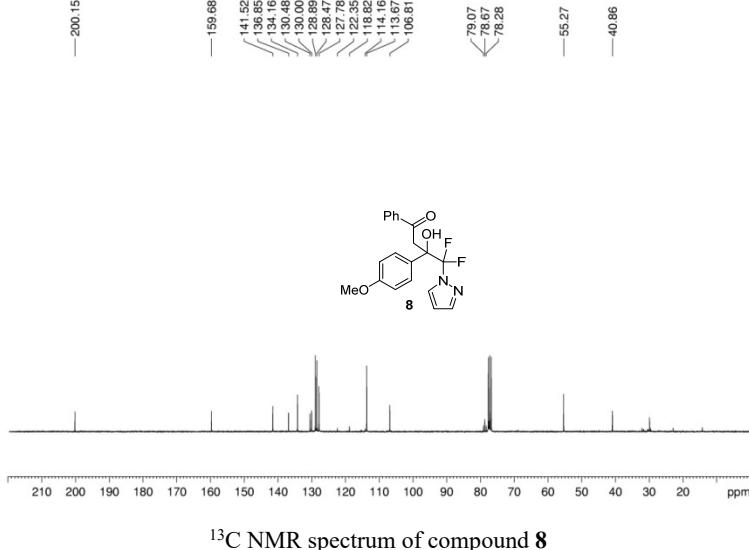


In a test tube, 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (0.55 mmol, 138 mg), acetophenone (0.5 mL), lithium hydroxide (0.66 mmol, 29 mg) were mixed together. This mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. When the reaction was completed (according to the TLC), the mixture was directly purified by column chromatography ( $R_f = 0.15$ , petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) to give product as a light yellow oil (85 mg, 41%). NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,

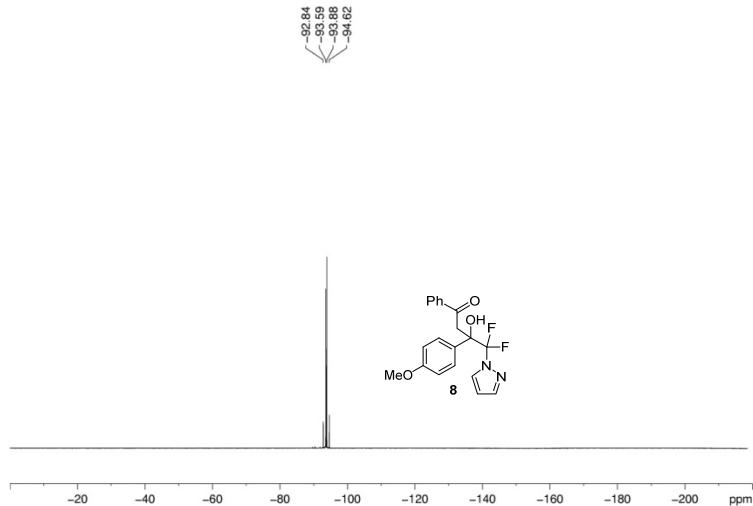
25 °C, δ): 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 7.32 Hz, 2H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.49-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d,  $J$  = 8.73 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d,  $J$  = 8.88 Hz, 2H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 5.89 (s, 1H), 4.20 (d,  $J$  = 17.31 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (d,  $J$  = 17.43 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 200.2, 159.7, 141.5, 136.9, 134.2, 130.5, 130.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.8, 118.8 (t,  $J_{\text{1 C-F}}$  = 264.8 Hz), 113.7, 106.8, 78.7 (t,  $J_{\text{2 C-F}}$  = 30 Hz), 55.3, 40.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -93.2 (d,  $J$  = 211.5 Hz), -94.3 (d,  $J$  = 208.7 Hz), Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 373.1358, found, 373.1355.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound 8

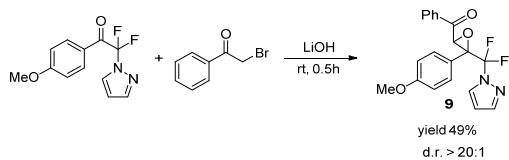


$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound 8

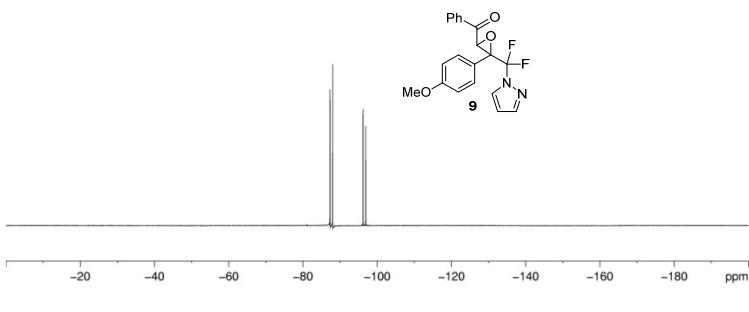
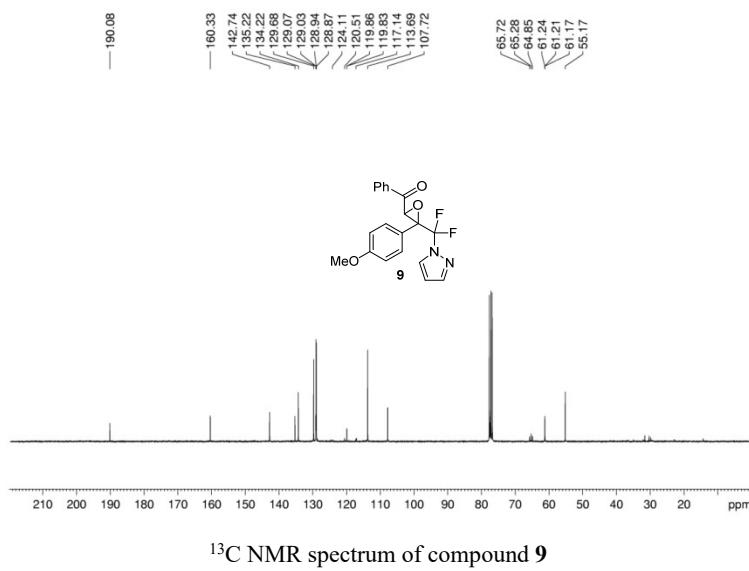
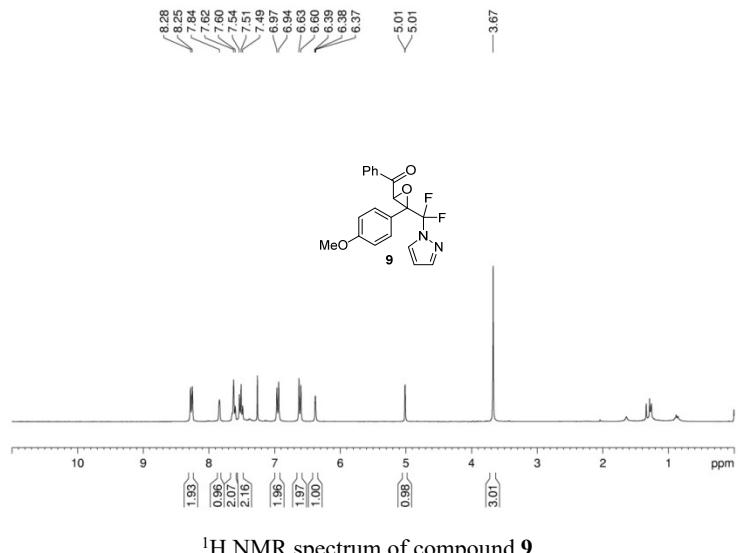


<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound 8

### Synthesis of 2-bromo-4,4-difluoro-3-hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenyl-4-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)butan-1-one

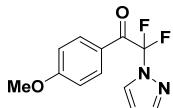


In a test tube, 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (0.6 mmol 150 mg), benzoyl bromide (0.6 mmol, 120 mg), lithium hydroxide (0.72 mmol, 29 mg) were directly mixed together, and then CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added to dissolve those solid compound. This mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. When the reaction was completed according to the TLC of **3a**, water was added and the reaction mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layers were combined and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and the solvent was removed. Purified by column chromatography (*R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.19, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) to give product as a white solid (109 mg, 49 %). NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 8.27 (d, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.56 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.71 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.64 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.76 Hz, 2H), 6.38 (t, *J* = 2.13 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 0.81 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 190.1, 160.3, 142.7, 135.2, 134.2, 129.7, 129.1 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 128.9 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 124.1, 120.5, 119.9 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 117.1 (dd, *J*<sub>1 C-F</sub> = 252.6, 264.7 Hz), 113.7, 107.7, 65.3 (t, *J*<sub>2 C-F</sub> = 32.3 Hz), 61.2 (t, *J* = 2.61 Hz), 55.2. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): -87.6 (d, *J* = 203.0 Hz), -96.5 (d, *J* = 203.0 Hz), Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), 371.1202, found, 371.1193.



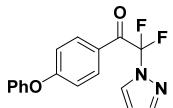
## Characterization of product

### 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3a)



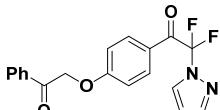
Yellow oil (110 mg, 88 % yield,  $R_f = 0.30$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C, δ): 7.99 (d,  $J = 2.16$  Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d,  $J = 8.82$  Hz, 2H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 6.89 (d,  $J = 8.97$  Hz, 2H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 181.3 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.8$  Hz), 164.8, 142.3, 132.8, 132.7, 132.7, 127.7, 124.3, 114.1, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.1$  Hz), 108.7, 55.6.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -81.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 253.0783, found, 253.0778.

### 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-phenoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3b)



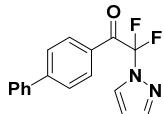
White solid (123 mg, 78 % yield,  $R_f = 0.53$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.06 (d,  $J = 2.13$  Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 8.55$  Hz, 2H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.77$  Hz, 2H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d,  $J = 7.79$  Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d,  $J = 8.82$  Hz, 2H), 6.57 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 181.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.0$  Hz), 163.7, 154.8, 142.5, 132.9 (d,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.0$  Hz), 130.3, 127.8, 125.9, 125.3, 120.8, 117.1, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 260.8$  Hz), 108.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -81.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 315.0940, found, 315.0947.

### 2,2-difluoro-1-(4-(2-oxo-2-phenylethoxy)phenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3c)



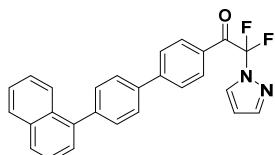
White solid (112 mg, 63 % yield,  $R_f = 0.14$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.58 (s, 1H), 8.02 (s, 2H), 7.77 (s, 3H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.57 (s, 2H), 7.13 (d,  $J = 5.7$  Hz, 2H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 5.79 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ , 25 °C, δ): 193.6, 180.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.1$  Hz), 163.4, 142.8, 134.1, 134.0, 132.1, 131.7, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 123.8, 115.3, 111.6 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 258.9$  Hz), 109.4, 70.4.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -79.9, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 357.1045, found, 357.1046.

### 1-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3d)



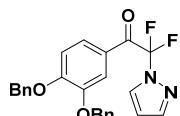
White solid (121 mg, 81 % yield,  $R_f = 0.52$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.05-7.99 (m, 3H), 6.68 (d,  $J = 6.93$  Hz, 3H), 7.61 (d,  $J = 5.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d,  $J = 7.26$  Hz, 3H), 6.55 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.6 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 30.2$  Hz), 147.5, 142.5, 139.5, 130.9, 130.3, 129.2, 128.8, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 261.0$  Hz), 109.0.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.2, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 299.0990, found, 299.0998.

### **2,2-difluoro-1-(4'-(naphthalen-1-yl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3e)**



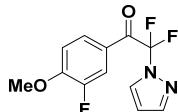
White solid (162 mg, 76 % yield,  $R_f = 0.35$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.10 (d,  $J = 6.78$  Hz, 3H), 8.02-7.92 (m, 3H), 7.80-7.71 (m, 5H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 7.95$  Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d,  $J = 7.50$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d,  $J = 5.25$  Hz, 3H), 6.57 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 30.2$  Hz), 146.9, 142.5, 141.3, 139.4, 138.2, 133.9, 131.5, 131.0, 130.8, 130.4, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 127.3, 127.3, 127.1, 126.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.5, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 261.0$  Hz), 108.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.0, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 425.1460, found, 425.1464.

### **1-(3,4-bis(phenoxy)methyl)phenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3f)**



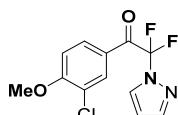
White solid (167 mg, 77 % yield,  $R_f = 0.24$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.63 (s, 2H), 7.51-7.33 (m, 11H), 6.91 (d,  $J = 8.58$  Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 181.3 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 29.9$  Hz), 154.7, 148.6, 142.4, 136.5, 136.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 127.7, 127.4, 127.1, 125.9, 125.9, 125.8, 124.6, 115.4, 112.8, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 209.9$  Hz), 108.7, 71.2, 70.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -80.6, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 435.1515, found, 435.1521.

### **2,2-difluoro-1-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3g)**



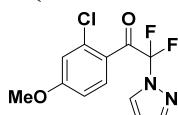
Colorless oil (68 mg, 50 % yield,  $R_f = 0.28$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 8.00 (d,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.63 (d,  $J = 7.74$  Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t,  $J = 8.28$  Hz, 1H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 180.8 (dd,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.2, 2.2$  Hz), 153.5 (t,  $J = 3.18$  Hz), 150.2, 142.5, 128.3 (q,  $J = 2.7$  Hz), 127.7, 124.5 (d,  $J = 5.9$  Hz), 117.9 (t,  $J = 2.0$  Hz), 117.6 (t,  $J = 2.1$  Hz), 112.6 (d,  $J = 1.4$  Hz), 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 260.7$  Hz), 109.0, 56.4. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): -81.0, -133.5 (t,  $J = 11.7$  Hz), Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), 271.0689, found, 271.0700.

### 1-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3h)



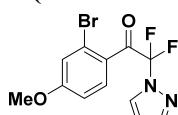
Colorless oil (102 mg, 71 % yield,  $R_f = 0.2$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 7.99 (d,  $J = 2.22$  Hz, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d,  $J = 8.61$  Hz, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 6.90 (d,  $J = 8.79$  Hz, 1H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 180.6 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.2$  Hz), 160.0, 142.4, 132.1, 131.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.6$  Hz), 127.6, 124.8, 123.2, 111.9 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 260.6$  Hz), 111.5, 108.9, 56.5. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): -81.0, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClF<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), 287.0393, found, 287.0400.

### 1-(2-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3i)



White solid (87 mg, 60 % yield,  $R_f = 0.26$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 7.95 (d,  $J = 2.55$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J = 8.91$  Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d,  $J = 2.46$  Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd,  $J = 2.49, 8.91$  Hz, 1H), 6.50-6.48 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): 182.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.2$  Hz), 163.3, 142.7, 136.8, 133.2 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.0$  Hz), 128.2, 123.6, 117.3, 112.4. 111.8 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 262.5$  Hz), 108.7, 55.9. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, δ): -82.5, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClF<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>), 287.0393, found, 287.0386.

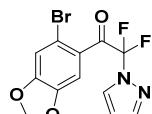
### 1-(2-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3j)



White solid (84 mg, 51 % yield,  $R_f = 0.41$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v))

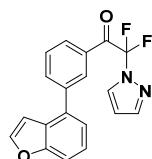
NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.95 (d,  $J = 2.04$  Hz, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.61 (d,  $J = 8.88$  Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd,  $J = 8.85, 2.28$  Hz, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 183.1 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 31.9$  Hz), 163.0, 142.7, 133.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{C}-\text{F}} = 3.7$  Hz), 128.3, 125.1, 124.5, 120.8, 112.8, 111.6 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 263.6$  Hz), 108.7, 56.0.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -82.4, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 330.9888, found, 330.9889.

**(6-bromobenzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3k)**



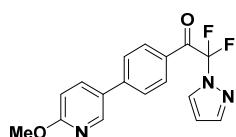
White solid (77 mg, 45 % yield,  $R_f = 0.30$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.94 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.51-6.49 (m, 1H), 6.05 (s, 2H),.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 184.0 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 33.0$  Hz), 151.6, 147.1, 142.8, 128.3, 126.6, 115.4, 114.9, 111.5 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 263.3$  Hz), 110.4 (t,  $J_{3\text{C}-\text{F}} = 3.0$  Hz), 108.7, 102.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -83.4, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 344.9681, found, 344.9686.

**1-(3-(benzofuran-4-yl)phenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3l)**



White solid (149 mg, 88 % yield,  $R_f = 0.38$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.07 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 8.04$  Hz, 2H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d,  $J = 6.93$  Hz, 4H), 7.55 (dd,  $J = 17.67, 8.46$  Hz, 2H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 30.1$  Hz), 155.2, 147.8, 146.0, 142.4, 134.5, 130.8, 129.9, 128.2, 127.7, 127.5, 123.9, 120.2, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 261.0$  Hz), 111.9, 108.9, 106.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.2, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 339.0940, found, 339.0948.

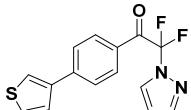
**2,2-difluoro-1-(4-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)phenyl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3m)**



White solid (86 mg, 52 % yield,  $R_f = 0.24$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.40 (d,  $J = 2.37$  Hz, 1H), 8.03-7.96 (m, 5H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.73$  Hz, 1H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.25 (dd,  $J = 8.64, 2.79$  Hz,

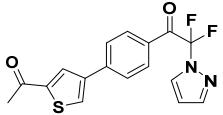
1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.1$  Hz), 155.8, 147.9, 144.9, 142.5, 138.0, 130.9, 130.8, 127.7, 126.5, 121.7, 121.0, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.0$  Hz), 108.9, 55.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.4, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 330.1049, found, 330.1055.

### **2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-1-(4-(thiophen-3-yl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (3n)**



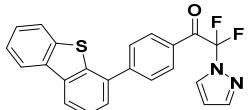
White solid (143 mg, 94 % yield,  $R_f = 0.43$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d,  $J = 7.98$  Hz, 3H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 2H), 6.53 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.3 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.1$  Hz), 142.5, 141.7, 140.7, 131.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.0$  Hz), 130.0, 127.7, 127.1, 126.5, 126.1, 123.0, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.0$  Hz), 108.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.2, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 305.0555, found, 305.0563.

### **1-(4-(5-acetylthiophen-2-yl)phenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3o)**



White solid (104 mg, 60 % yield,  $R_f = 0.19$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.04 (d,  $J = 1.95$  Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J = 8.01$  Hz, 3H), 7.85 (d,  $J = 3.15$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 3H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 2.61 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 190.6, 182.3 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.3$  Hz), 145.8, 142.5, 141.6, 140.6, 131.2, 130.7, 130.4, 127.8, 126.5, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.0$  Hz), 109.0, 27.0.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.3, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 347.0660, found, 347.0657.

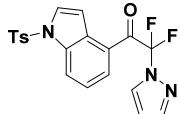
### **1-(4-(dibenzo[b,d]thiophen-4-yl)phenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3p)**



Yellow oil (111 mg, 55 % yield,  $R_f = 0.27$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.19 (d,  $J = 7.02$  Hz, 2H), 8.09 (d,  $J = 7.47$  Hz, 3H), 7.85 (d,  $J = 7.77$  Hz, 3H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.56 (t,  $J = 7.41$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d,  $J = 4.98$  Hz, 3H), 6.57 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.6 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 30.1$  Hz), 147.0, 142.6, 139.4, 138.4, 136.7, 135.6, 135.3, 131.0, 128.7, 127.8, 127.2, 127.2, 125.4, 124.8, 122.8, 121.9, 121.7, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.4$  Hz), 109.0.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF)

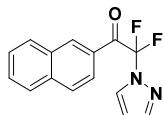
(m/z): calcd for  $C_{23}H_{15}F_2N_2OS^+$  ( $[M + H]^+$ ), 405.0868, found, 405.0878.

**2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-1-(1-tosyl-1H-indol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (3q)**



White solid (109 mg, 52 % yield,  $R_f = 0.17$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.28 (d,  $J = 8.28$  Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 2.16$  Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.74 (m, 3H), 7.58 (t,  $J = 4.80$  Hz, 3H), 7.31 (d,  $J = 8.07$  Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d,  $J = 8.07$  Hz, 2H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (75 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.8 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 29.9$  Hz), 145.7, 142.5, 135.6, 135.0, 131.3, 130.2, 129.9, 127.8, 127.4 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 4.2$  Hz), 127.0, 123.9, 123.7, 120.0, 111.9 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 261.5$  Hz), 109.7, 108.9, 21.7.  $^{19}F$  NMR (282 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -80.2, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $C_{20}H_{16}F_2N_3O_3S^+$  ( $[M + H]^+$ ), 416.0875, found, 416.0879.

**2,2-difluoro-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3r)**



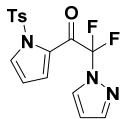
White solid (99 mg, 72 % yield,  $R_f = 0.45$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.47 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d,  $J = 2.13$  Hz, 1H), 7.97-7.85 (m, 4H), 7.63 (t,  $J = 5.82$  Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t,  $J = 5.82$  Hz, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (75 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 183.0 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 30.2$  Hz), 142.6, 136.2, 133.1 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 2.9$  Hz), 132.3, 130.2, 129.7, 129.0, 128.8, 127.9, 127.8, 127.2, 124.8, 112.2 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 261.2$  Hz), 108.9.  $^{19}F$  NMR (282 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -80.9, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $C_{15}H_{11}F_2N_2O^+$  ( $[M + H]^+$ ), 273.0834, found, 273.0840.

**2,2-difluoro-1-(2-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3s)**



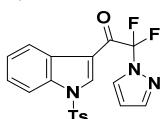
White solid (77 mg, 51 % yield,  $R_f = 0.37$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.99 (d,  $J = 9.12$  Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d,  $J = 1.56$  Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d,  $J = 9.03$  Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t,  $J = 7.29$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.47$  Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d,  $J = 9.09$  Hz, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (75 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 191.3 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 36.5$  Hz), 156.9, 142.8, 134.2, 131.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 124.7, 123.5, 117.7, 112.4, 111.4 (t,  $J_{C-F} = 267.0$  Hz), 107.6, 56.7.  $^{19}F$  NMR (282 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -89.5, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $C_{16}H_{13}F_2N_2O_2^+$  ( $[M + H]^+$ ), 303.0940, found, 303.0947.

**2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-1-(1-tosyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)ethan-1-one (3t)**



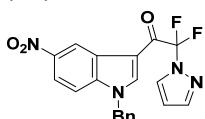
Colorless oil (88 mg, 48 % yield,  $R_f = 0.2$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.94 (d,  $J = 8.19$  Hz, 3H), 7.85 (d,  $J = 1.92$  Hz 1H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.10$  Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 1.77$  Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.37 (t,  $J = 3.24$  Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 171.2 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 32.3$  Hz), 145.6, 142.6, 135.0, 133.0, 129.7, 128.8, 128.2 (t,  $J_{3\text{C}-\text{F}} = 5.0$  Hz), 128.1, 127.6, 111.8 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 261.8$  Hz), 111.5, 108.5, 21.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -82.5, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 366.0718, found, 366.0727.

### 2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-1-(1-tosyl-1H-indol-3-yl)ethan-1-one (3u)



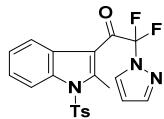
White solid (127 mg, 61 % yield,  $R_f = 0.75$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.37 (d,  $J = 7.83$  Hz, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d,  $J = 7.44$  Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.44-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 178.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 32.6$  Hz), 146.5, 142.7, 135.6 (t,  $J_{3\text{C}-\text{F}} = 7.2$  Hz), 134.4, 134.1, 130.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.4, 126.5, 125.6, 123.1, 115.1, 113.3, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 262.5$  Hz), 168.6, 21.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -84.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 416.0875, found, 416.0879.

### 1-(1-benzyl-5-nitro-1H-indol-3-yl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3v)



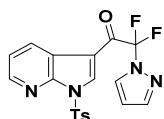
Yellow oil (59 mg, 30 % yield,  $R_f = 0.13$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 9.31 (d,  $J = 1.53$  Hz, 1H), 8.17-8.11 (m, 2H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 1.53$  Hz, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 4.2$  Hz, 2H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 5.42 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 177.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{C}-\text{F}} = 32.8$  Hz), 144.6, 142.7, 140.8 (t,  $J_{3\text{C}-\text{F}} = 7.4$  Hz), 139.3, 134.0, 129.4, 128.9, 128.4, 127.1, 127.0, 119.9, 119.5, 112.1, 112.2 (t,  $J_{1\text{C}-\text{F}} = 263.2$  Hz), 111.0, 108.3, 51.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -84.8, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_3^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ ), 419.0926, found, 419.0924.

### 2,2-difluoro-1-(2-methyl-1-tosyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3w)



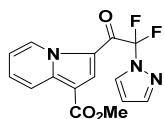
Light yellow oil (174 mg, 81 % yield,  $R_f = 0.2$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.33 (d,  $J = 8.67$  Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d,  $J = 2.22$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d,  $J = 8.25$  Hz, 2H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.21 (m, 5H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.0 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.7$  Hz), 147.3, 146.1, 142.4, 135.8, 135.5, 130.4, 128.3, 126.8, 125.9, 125.2, 124.6, 120.9 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.3$  Hz), 115.8, 114.4, 111.8 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 260.2$  Hz), 109.0, 21.7, 14.6.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -82.4, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 430.1031, found, 430.1037.

### **2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-1-(1-tosyl-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-3-yl)ethan-1-one(3x)**



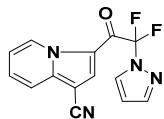
White solid (75 mg, 36 % yield,  $R_f = 0.22$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.61-8.58 (m, 1H), 8.50 (d,  $J = 3.69$  Hz, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d,  $J = 8.31$  Hz, 2H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 2.31$  Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 3H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 178.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.7$  Hz), 146.8, 146.7, 146.6, 142.8, 135.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 7.2$  Hz), 134.0, 131.7, 130.1, 128.9, 128.3, 121.0, 120.7, 112.5, 111.9 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.8$  Hz), 108.8, 21.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -83.9, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}_3\text{S}^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 417.0827, found, 417.0838.

### **methyl 3-(2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)acetyl)indolizine-1-carboxylate (3y)**



White solid (65 mg, 41 % yield,  $R_f = 0.28$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 9.96 (d,  $J = 7.02$  Hz, 1H), 8.44 (d,  $J = 8.85$  Hz, 1H), 8.03 (s, 2H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.56 (t,  $J = 7.35$  Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t,  $J = 7.35$  Hz, 1H), 6.50 (t,  $J = 2.19$  Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 172.0 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 31.4$  Hz), 164.0, 142.7, 140.9, 129.9, 129.7, 129.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 5.6$  Hz), 128.3, 119.9, 118.6, 116.7, 112.6 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.8$  Hz), 108.5, 108.3, 51.6.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -81.9, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_3^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 320.0841, found, 320.0843.

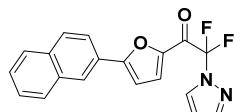
### **3-(2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)acetyl)indolizine-1-carbonitrile (3z)**



White solid (66 mg, 46 % yield,  $R_f = 0.12$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v));

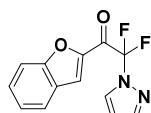
NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 9.96 (d,  $J = 6.99$  Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d,  $J = 2.04$  Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d,  $J = 8.76$  Hz, 1H), 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.67-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d,  $J = 4.29$  Hz, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 171.9 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.0$  Hz), 142.8, 141.8, 130.1, 129.8 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 5.4$  Hz), 128.2, 118.9, 117.9, 117.3, 114.3, 112.2 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.3$  Hz), 108.8, 87.5.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -82.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 287.0739, found, 287.0742.

**2,2-difluoro-1-(5-(naphthalen-2-yl)furan-2-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3aa)**



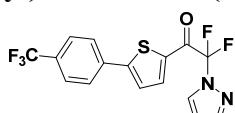
Yellow oil (51 mg, 30 % yield,  $R_f = 0.58$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.29 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.89-7.78 (m, 4H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.53 (d,  $J = 9.02$  Hz, 3H), 6.94 (d,  $J = 3.69$  Hz, 1H), 6.51 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 170.7 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 33.0$  Hz), 161.0, 147.3, 142.8, 134.1, 133.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.1, 128.0, 127.6, 127.1, 126.3 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 4.2$  Hz), 125.9, 125.6, 122.7, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.6$  Hz), 108.8, 108.5.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -84.7, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 339.0940, found, 339.0941.

**1-(benzofuran-2-yl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3ab)**



White solid (79 mg, 60 % yield,  $R_f = 0.32$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d,  $J = 12$  Hz, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.61-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 173.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 33.2$  Hz), 156.6, 147.9, 142.8, 130.1, 128.1, 126.8, 124.6, 124.2, 119.6 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 4.2$  Hz), 112.8, 111.7 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.1$  Hz), 108.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -84.5, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 263.0627, found, 263.0629.

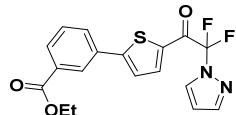
**2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-1-(5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)ethan-1-one (3ac)**



White solid (106 mg, 57 % yield,  $R_f = 0.38$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.05 (d,  $J = 8.04$  Hz, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d,  $J = 9.57$  Hz, 2H), 7.61-7.51 (m, 2H), 6.53 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 176.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.9$  Hz), 142.9, 142.6, 138.4, 135.0, 134.5 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.5$  Hz), 132.6, 131.6 (q,  $J = 32.3$  Hz), 129.8 (d,  $J = 4.8$

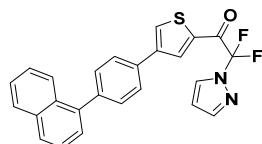
Hz), 128.1, 125.8, 124.8 (q,  $J = 3.7$  Hz), 123.2 (q,  $J = 3.7$  Hz), 122.2, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.8$  Hz), 108.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -62.8, -83.3, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_5\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 373.0429, found, 373.0431.

**ethyl 3-(5-(2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)acetyl)thiophen-2-yl)benzoate (3ad)**



Light yellow oil (86 mg, 46 % yield,  $R_f = 0.20$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.19 (s, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d,  $J = 7.11$  Hz, 2H), 7.96 (d,  $J = 0.96$  Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d,  $J = 11.61$  Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t,  $J = 7.71$  Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d,  $J = 0.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.41 (q,  $J = 7.11$  Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t,  $J = 7.11$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 176.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.8$  Hz), 166.3, 143.2, 142.9, 138.2, 134.7 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.6$  Hz), 134.5, 132.4, 131.5, 130.7, 130.6, 130.3, 129.2 (d,  $J_{4\text{ C-F}} = 3.3$  Hz), 128.1, 127.6, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.9$  Hz), 108.8, 61.4, 14.4.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -83.2, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 377.0766, found, 377.0775.

**2,2-difluoro-1-(4-(4-(naphthalen-1-yl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3ae)**



Yellow oil (77 mg, 36 % yield,  $R_f = 0.25$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.16 (s, 1H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.89 (m, 4H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.53 (m, 4H), 7.50-7.45 (m, 2H), 6.54 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 176.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.8$  Hz), 144.0, 142.8, 140.8, 139.5, 138.1, 134.8 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.9$  Hz), 133.9, 133.2, 131.9, 131.5, 130.8, 128.5, 128.1 (d,  $J = 3.3$  Hz), 127.0, 126.4, 126.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.5, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.9$  Hz), 108.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -83.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 431.1024, found, 431.1031.

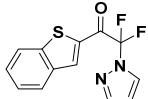
**2,2-difluoro-1-(4-(furan-3-yl)thiophen-2-yl)-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3af)**



Yellow oil (41 mg, 28 % yield,  $R_f = 0.48$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 8.00 (d,  $J = 2.49$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 1.02$  Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 0.93$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (s, 2H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 6.52-6.51(m, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 176.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.8$  Hz), 144.0, 142.8, 140.8, 139.5, 138.1, 134.8 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.9$  Hz), 133.9, 133.2, 131.9, 131.5, 130.8, 128.5, 128.1 (d,  $J = 3.3$  Hz), 127.0, 126.4, 126.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.5, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 261.9$  Hz), 108.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -83.1, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 377.0766, found, 377.0775.

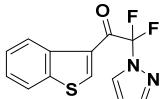
Hz), 144.0, 142.9, 139.2, 137.8, 135.5, 134.5 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 3.6$  Hz), 131.0, 128.1, 120.6, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 262.3$  Hz), 109.1, 108.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -83.3, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 295.0347, found, 295.0349.

### **1-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3ag)**



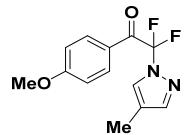
White solid (105 mg, 75 % yield,  $R_f = 0.45$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.06 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd,  $J = 4.5, 3.36$  Hz, 2H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.51 (t,  $J = 7.05$  Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t,  $J = 7.56$  Hz, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 177.9 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 32.7$  Hz), 143.5, 142.9, 139.0, 137.0, 134.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 4.2$  Hz), 128.9, 128.1, 127.1, 125.6, 122.9, 112.0 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 262.0$  Hz), 108.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -82.7, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 279.0398, found, 279.0403.

### **1-(benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3ah)**



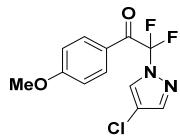
Yellow oil (92 mg, 66 % yield,  $R_f = 0.53$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.91 (d,  $J = 7.80$  Hz, 1H), 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 7.53$  Hz, 1H), 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.65 (t,  $J = 6.78$  Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t,  $J = 7.11$  Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 175.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 31.2$  Hz), 140.8, 140.5 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 5.7$  Hz), 137.1, 135.1, 126.5, 126.4, 124.7, 124.3, 123.4, 120.5, 110.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 262.4$  Hz), 106.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -82.0, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 279.0398, found, 279.0403.

### **(4-methoxyphenyl)(4-methyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)methanone (4a)**



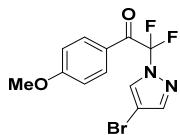
Colorless oil (81 mg, 61 % yield,  $R_f = 0.41$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 7.90 (d,  $J = 8.46$  Hz, 2H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 6.90 (d,  $J = 8.82$  Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 181.5 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.7$  Hz), 164.7, 143.4, 132.8, 125.7, 124.5, 119.5, 114.1, 112.1 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 259.9$  Hz), 55.6, 8.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -80.8, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 267.0940, found, 267.0949.

**2-(4-chloro-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4b)**



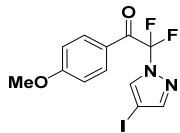
Yellow oil (116 mg, 81 % yield,  $R_f = 0.47$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.03 (d,  $J = 8.58$  Hz, 3H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.03 (d,  $J = 8.16$  Hz, 2H), 3.97 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 179.7 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.8$  Hz), 163.9, 140.1, 131.8, 124.8, 123.1, 113.3, 113.0, 110.9 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 263.4$  Hz), 54.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -81.5, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 287.0393, found, 287.0395.

**2-(4-bromo-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4c)**



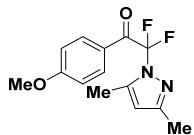
Colorless oil (125 mg, 76 % yield,  $R_f = 0.45$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.01 (s, 1H), 7.93 (d,  $J = 8.79$  Hz, 2H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 6.93 (d,  $J = 8.94$  Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 180.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.5$  Hz), 165.1, 143.1, 132.9 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.3$  Hz), 127.9, 124.2, 114.3, 111.9 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 263.8$  Hz), 97.4, 55.7.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -81.5, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 330.9888, found, 330.9884.

**(4-iodo-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (4d)**



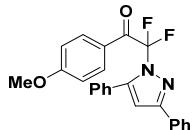
Colorless oil (119 mg, 63 % yield,  $R_f = 0.5$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.93 (d,  $J = 8.67$  Hz, 2H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 6.94 (d,  $J = 8.85$  Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 180.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.6$  Hz), 165.0, 147.3, 132.9 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.5$  Hz), 132.2, 124.2, 114.3, 111.7 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 263.7$  Hz), 60.9, 55.7.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -81.3, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{IN}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 378.9750, found, 378.9753.

**(3,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (4e)**



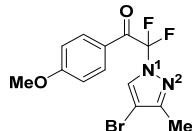
Colorless oil (57 mg, 41 % yield,  $R_f = 0.45$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.90 (d,  $J = 8.70$  Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d,  $J = 8.88$  Hz, 2H), 5.98 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 182.0 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 29.5$  Hz), 164.5, 150.9, 141.5, 133.0, 125.1, 113.9, 113.5 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 257.3$  Hz), 109.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -79.4, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ([M + H] $^+$ ), 281.1096, found, 281.1111.

### **2-(3,5-diphenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4f)**



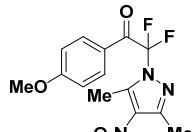
Colorless oil (105 mg, 52 % yield,  $R_f = 0.38$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.88 (d,  $J = 8.64$  Hz, 2H), 7.66-7.69 (m, 4H), 7.49-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 5.97$  Hz, 3H), 6.90 (d,  $J = 9.00$  Hz, 2H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 181.4 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 29.3$  Hz), 164.3, 152.7, 146.4, 132.7, 131.7, 129.6, 129.4 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 6.6$  Hz), 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 126.2, 125.1, 114.0, 113.5 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 260.6$  Hz), 107.8, 55.6.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -76.7, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ([M + H] $^+$ ), 405.1409, found, 405.1411.

### **2-(4-bromo-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4g)**



Light yellow oil (115mg, 67% yield,  $R_f = 0.45$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); isomers ( $\text{N}_1 : \text{N}_2 = 4:1$  based on NMR), NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.71-7.78 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d,  $J = 8.70$  Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3.7H), 2.39 (s, 0.8H), 2.02 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 180.9 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 30.2$  Hz), 164.6, 151.0, 141.4, 132.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 2.1$  Hz), 127.9, 124.0, 111.6 (t,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 263.1$  Hz), 98.4, 55.4, 11.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -79.9, -81.8, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2^+$  ([M + Na] $^+$ ), 366.9864, found, 366.9873.

### **2-(3,5-dimethyl-4-nitro-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4h)**



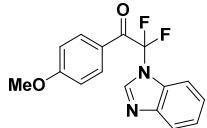
White solid (86 mg, 52 % yield,  $R_f = 0.7$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 7.90 (d,  $J = 8.76$  Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d,  $J = 8.91$  Hz, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.90 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 180.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 28.7$  Hz), 165.0, 147.3, 143.0, 133.0 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.2$  Hz), 124.3, 114.3, 113.8 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 264.6$  Hz), 55.8, 14.1, 11.7 (t,  $J = 3.2$  Hz).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -80.3, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_4^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 326.0947, found, 326.0949.

### 2-(6-bromo-1H-indazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4i)



Yellow oil (82 mg, 43 % yield,  $R_f = 0.35$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.52 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 8.34$  Hz, 2H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J = 9.00$  Hz, 1H), 7.26 (t,  $J = 7.95$  Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d,  $J = 8.88$  Hz, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 180.8 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 29.6$  Hz), 165.1, 150.4, 133.0, 128.0, 124.1, 122.5, 122.3, 122.0, 121.1, 120.4, 114.4, 112.8 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 266.4$  Hz), 55.7.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -82.4, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 381.0045, found, 381.0042.

### 2-(1H-benzo[d]imidazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4j)



Light yellow oil (68 mg, 45 % yield,  $R_f = 0.58$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.07 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 7.83 (t,  $J = 3.90$  Hz, 1H), 7.55 - 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.34 (t,  $J = 4.26$  Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d,  $J = 8.97$  Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 181.4 (t,  $J_{2\text{ C-F}} = 33.4$  Hz), 165.5, 143.8, 139.3, 133.1 (t,  $J_{3\text{ C-F}} = 2.6$  Hz), 131.3, 125.0, 124.1, 123.3, 121.0, 114.6, 113.5 (t,  $J_{1\text{ C-F}} = 266.0$  Hz), 112.2 (t,  $J = 2.5$  Hz), 55.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): -81.0, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ), 303.0940, found, 303.0943.

### 2-(1H-benzo[d][1,2,3]triazol-1-yl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (4k)

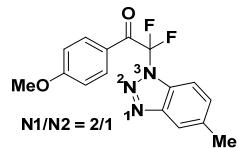


Yellow oil (61 mg, 40 % yield,  $R_f = 0.46$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C, δ): 8.13 (dd,  $J = 6.3, 0.54$  Hz,

1H), 7.99-7.97 (m, 2H), 7.90-7.88 (m, 1H), 7.68-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.49 (m, 1H), 6.93-6.90 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 180.4 (t,  $J_{\text{2 C-F}} = 28.6$  Hz), 165.2, 146.1, 133.2, 131.1, 129.9, 125.8, 124.1, 120.7, 114.4, 113.3 (t,  $J_{\text{1 C-F}} = 263.6$  Hz), 111.3, 55.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -82.9, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 304.0892, found, 304.0886.

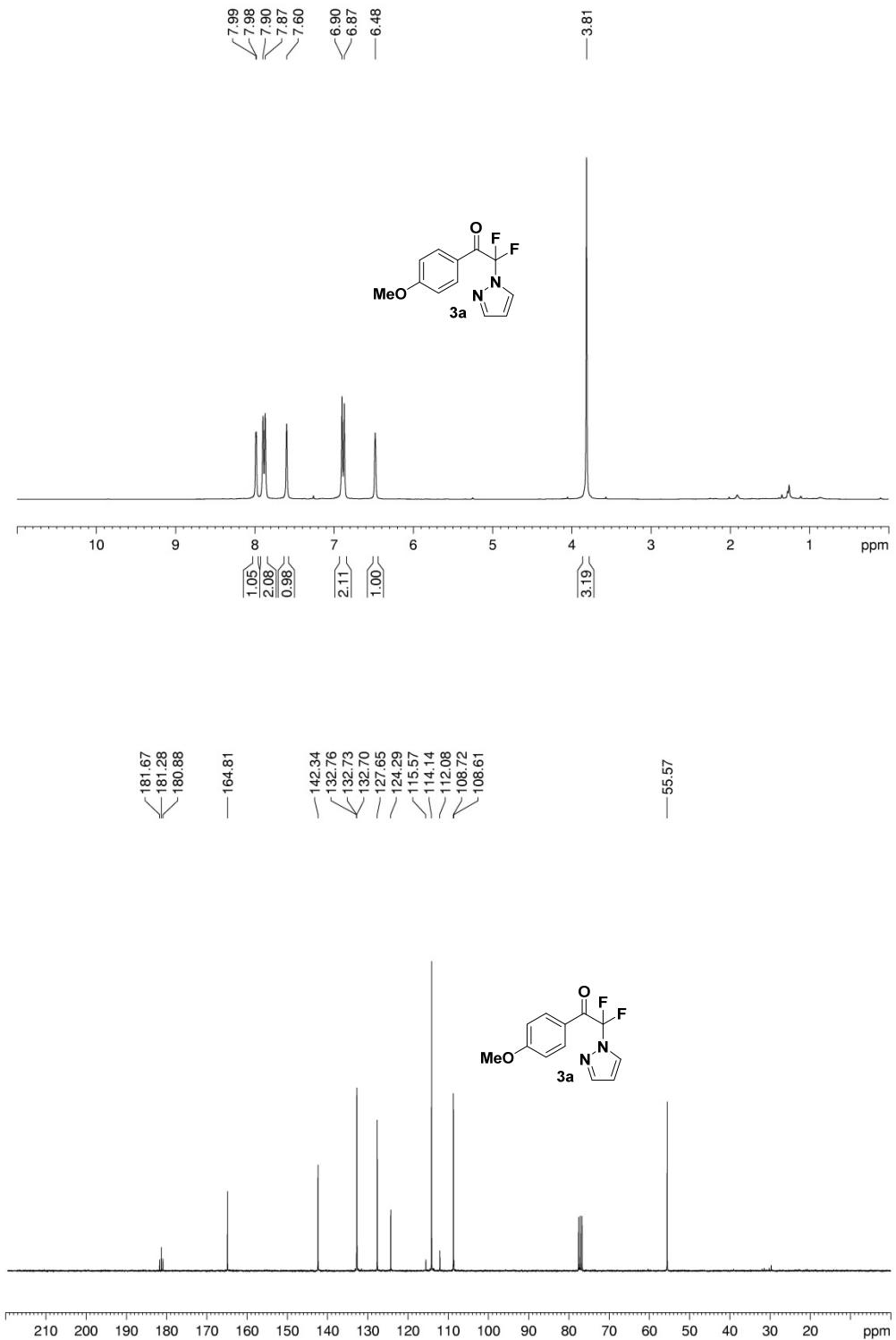
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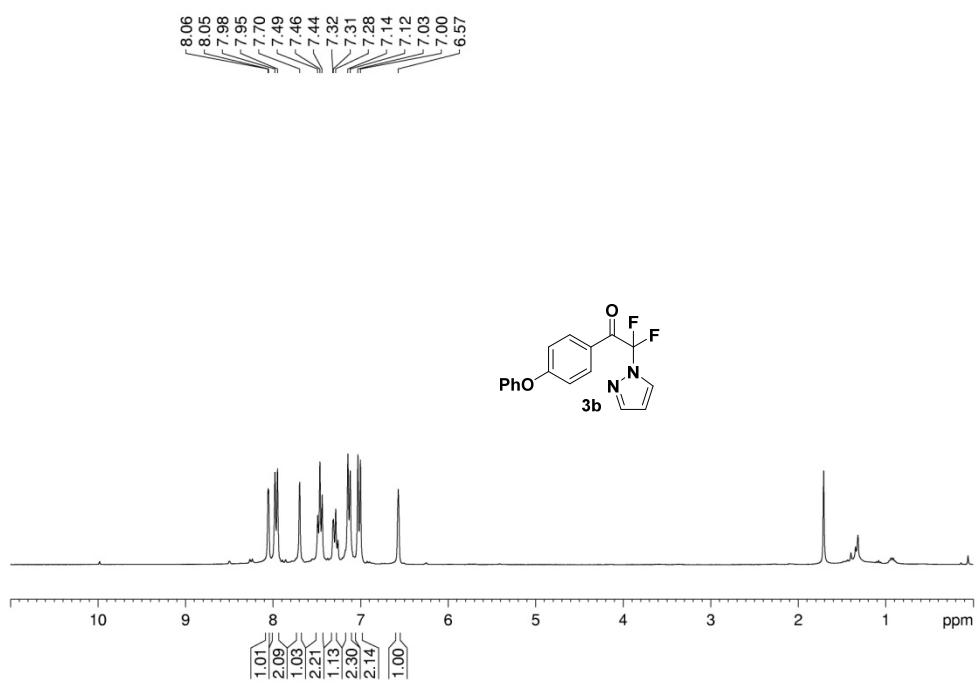
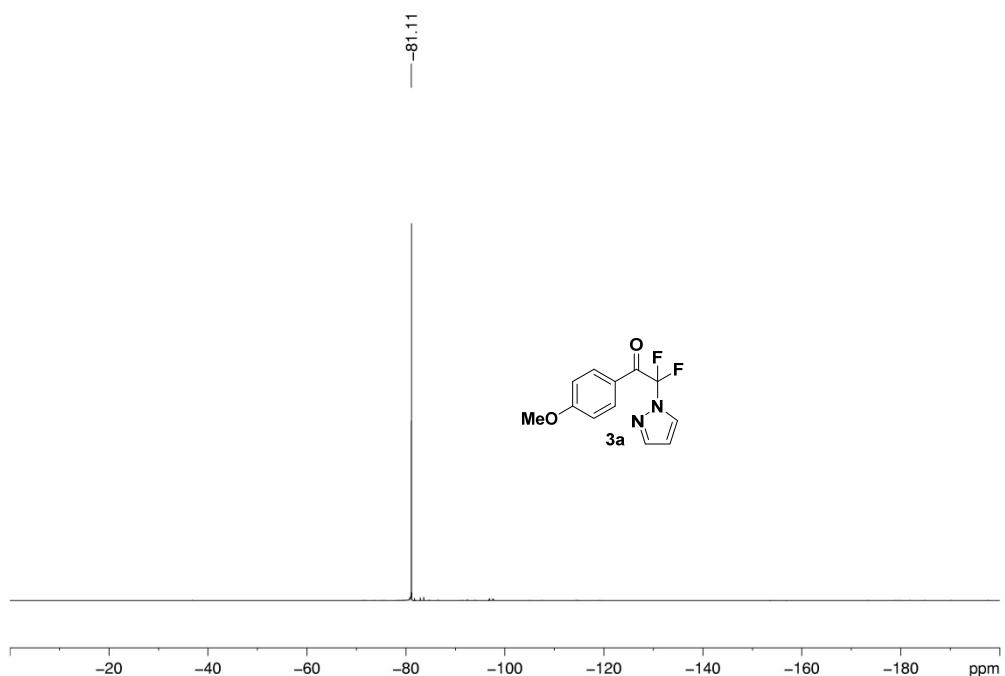
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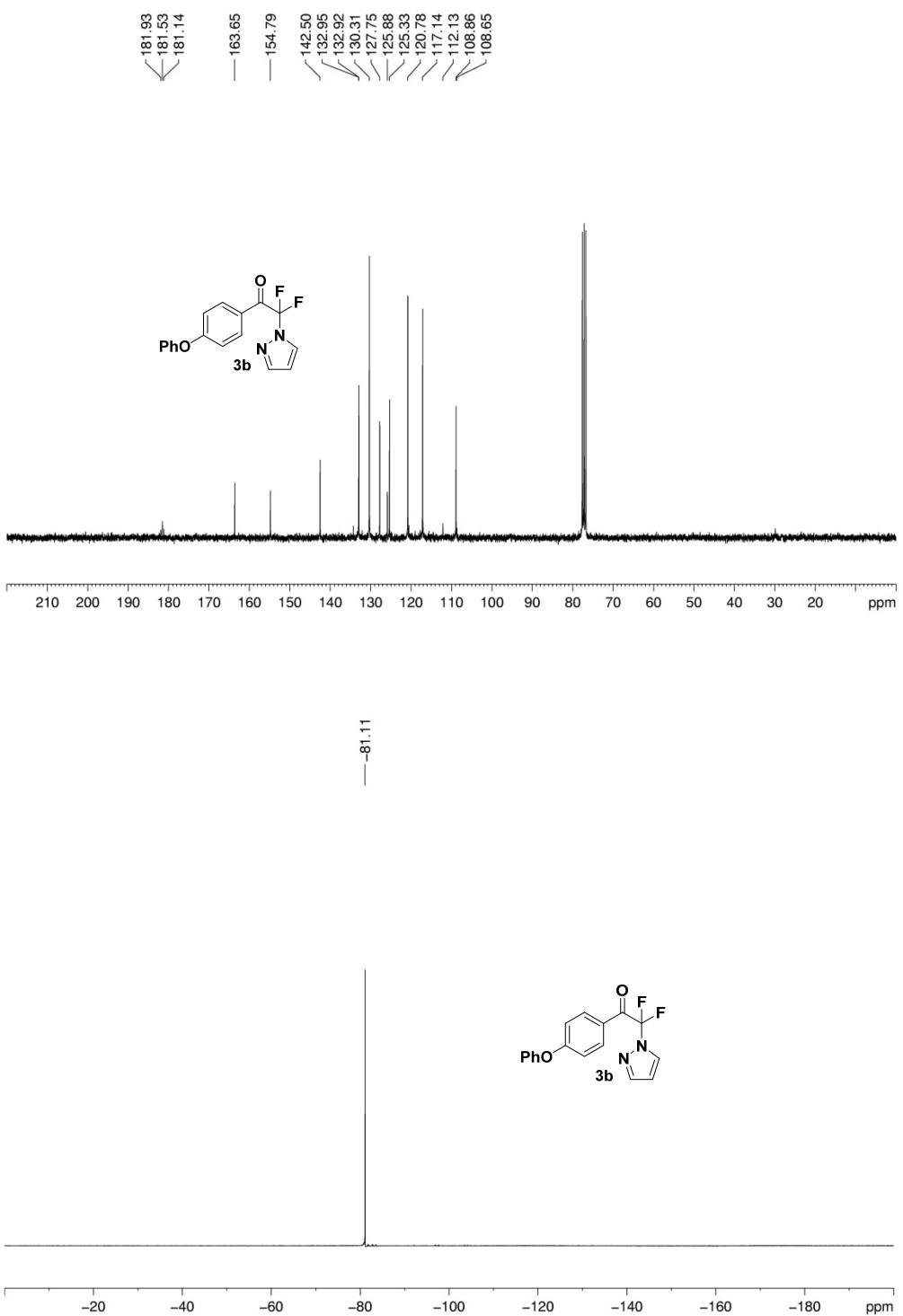


Colorless oil (68 mg, 43 % yield,  $R_f = 0.46$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5 : 1 (v/v)); isomers ( $\text{N}_1 : \text{N}_2 = 2:1$  based on NMR), NMR Spectroscopy:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 7.96 (t,  $J = 5.28$  Hz, 2H), 7.87 (s, 0.6H), 7.76 (d,  $J = 8.43$  Hz, 0.6H), 7.66 (s, 0.4H), 7.47 (d,  $J = 8.34$  Hz, 0.6H), 7.31 (d,  $J = 8.49$  Hz, 0.4H), 6.89 (d,  $J = 8.70$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.57 (s, 1H), 2.52 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): 180.4 (t,  $J_{\text{2 C-F}} = 28.7$  Hz), 165.1, 146.6, 144.6, 141.0, 136.1, 133.0, 131.9, 131.4, 129.4, 127.9, 124.1, 120.0, 119.6, 114.3, 113.2 (t,  $J_{\text{1 C-F}} = 263.2$  Hz), 110.6 (t,  $J_{\text{3 C-F}} = 7.4$  Hz), 55.7, 22.1, 21.5.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C,  $\delta$ ): -82.9, -83.0, Mass Spectrometry: HRMS (ESI-TOF) (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+ ([\text{M} + \text{H}]^+)$ , 318.1049, found, 318.1053.

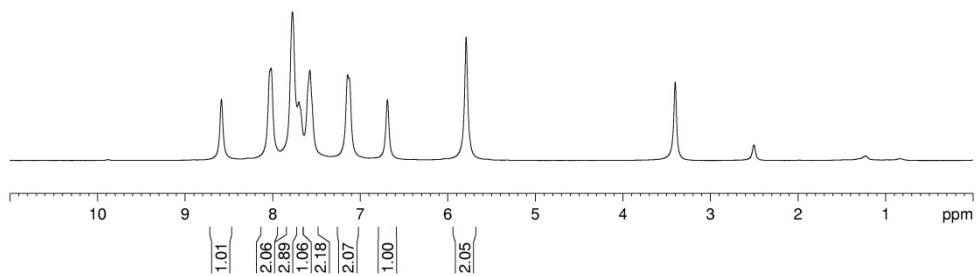
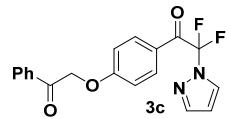
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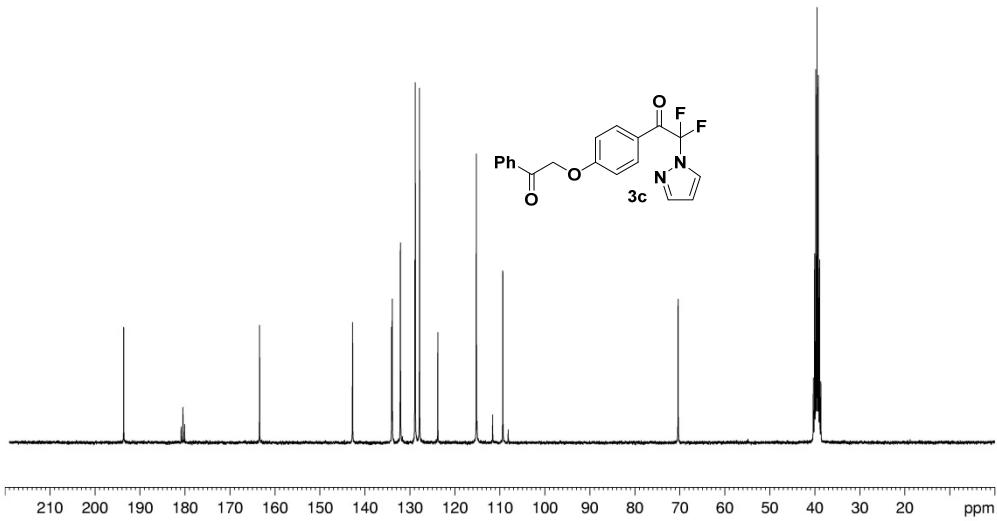
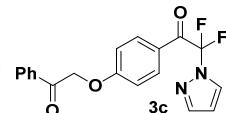


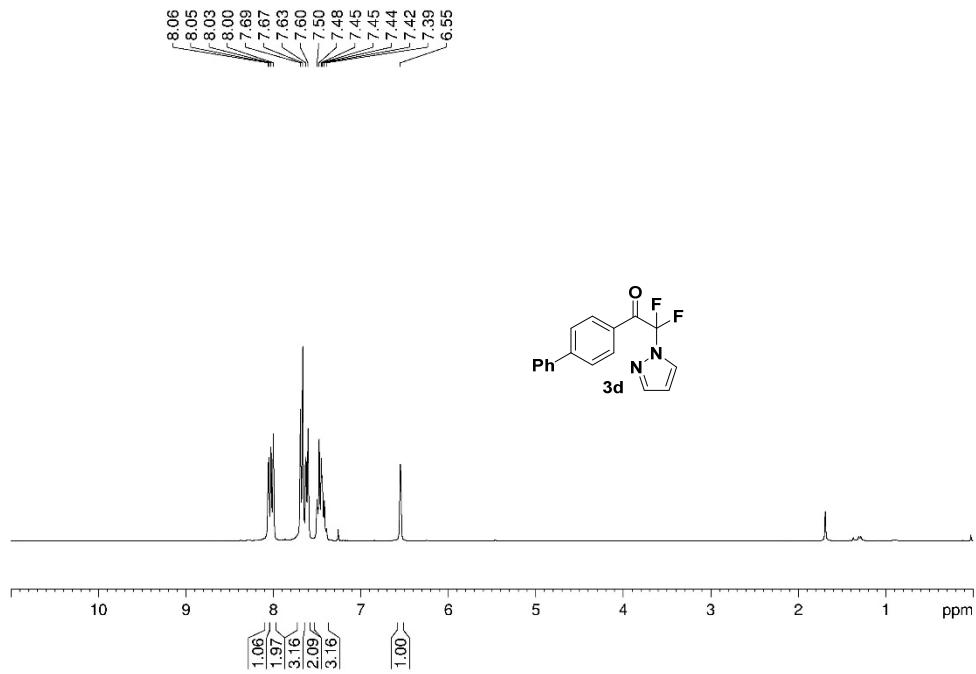
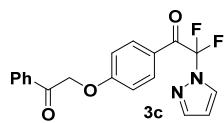
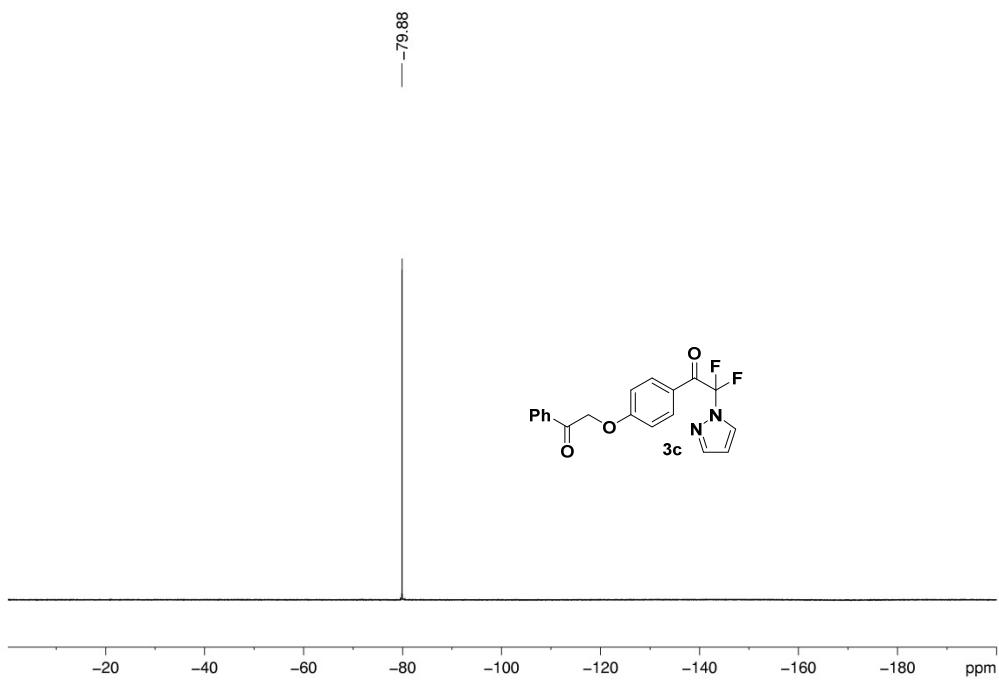
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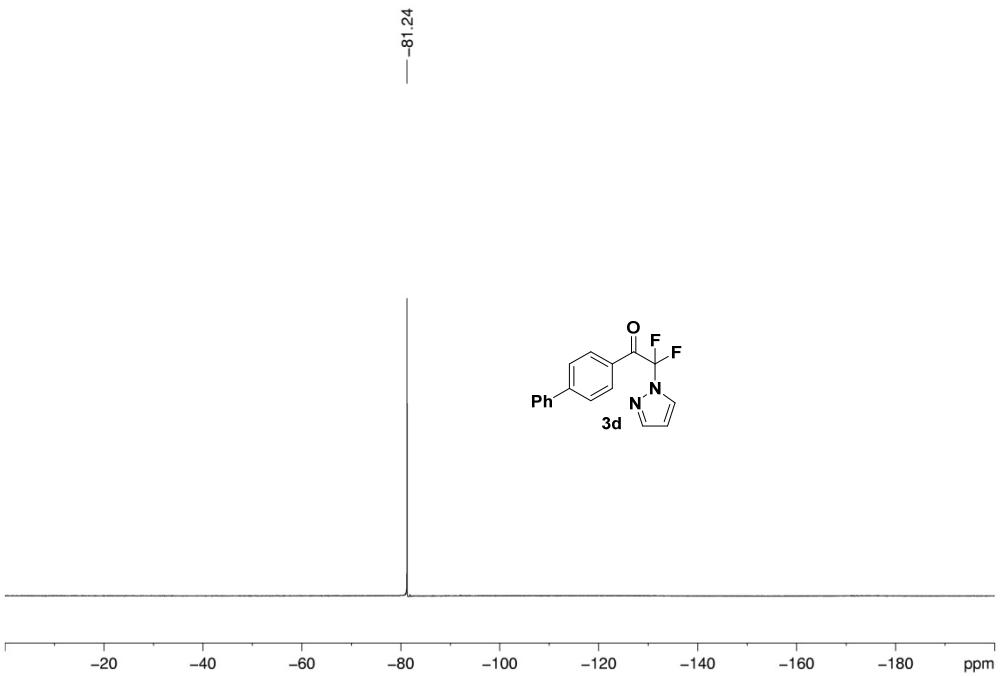
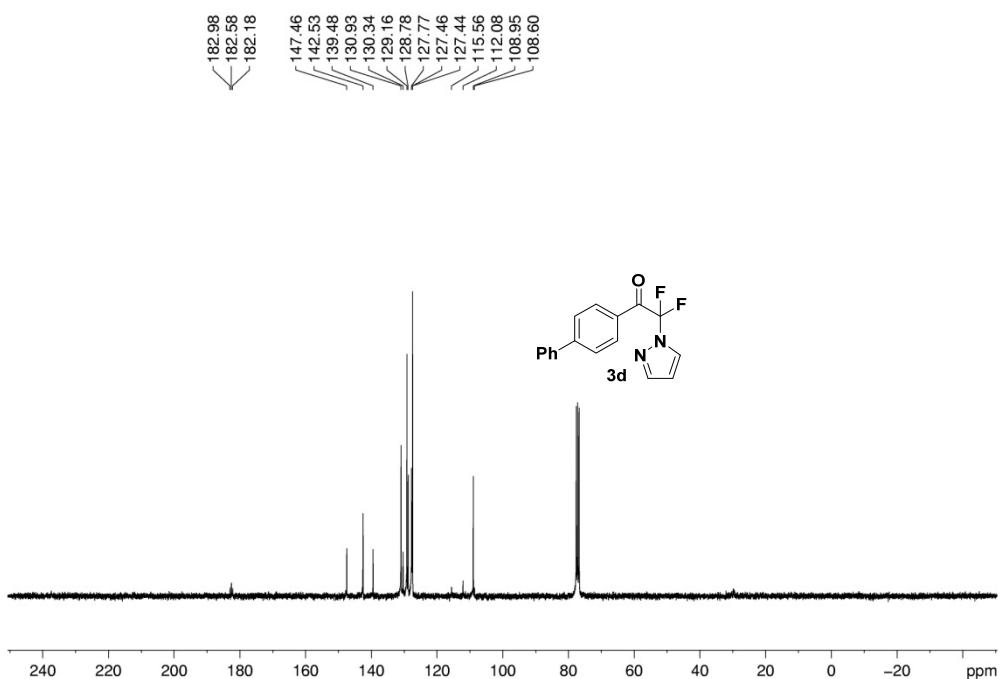


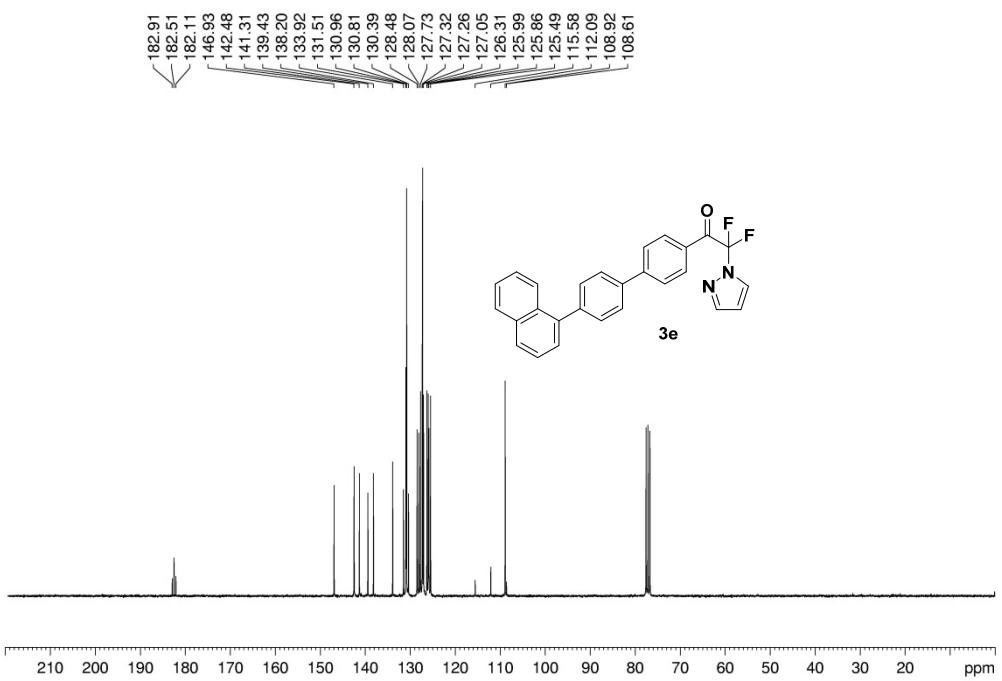
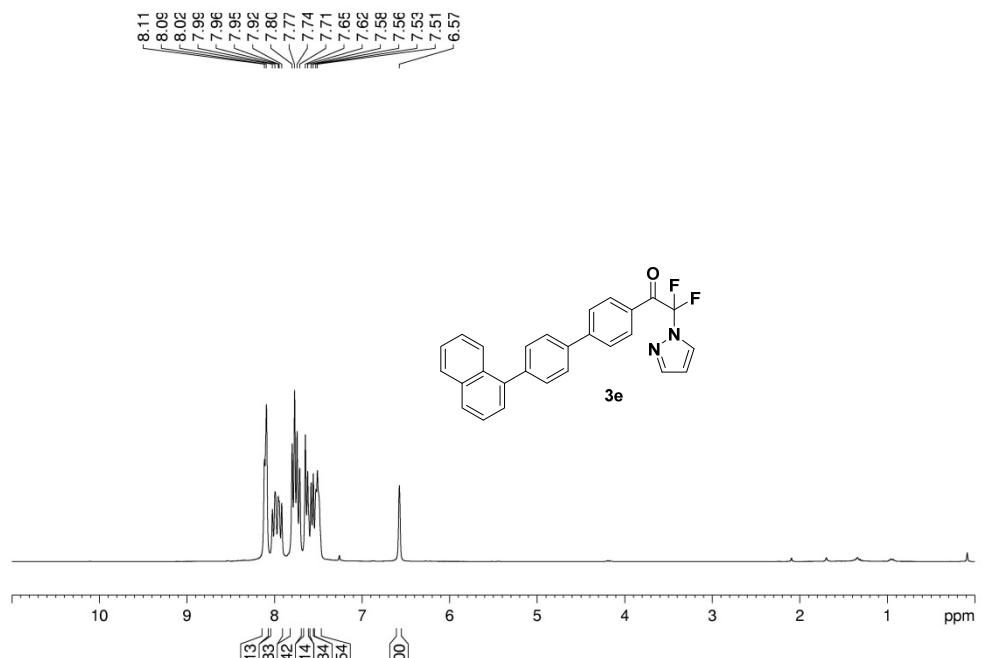
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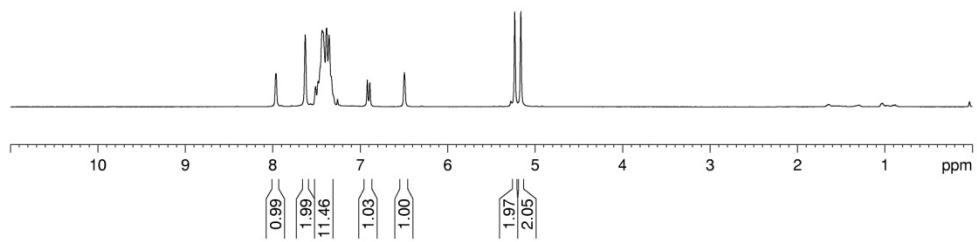
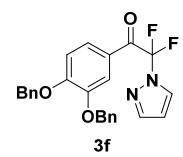
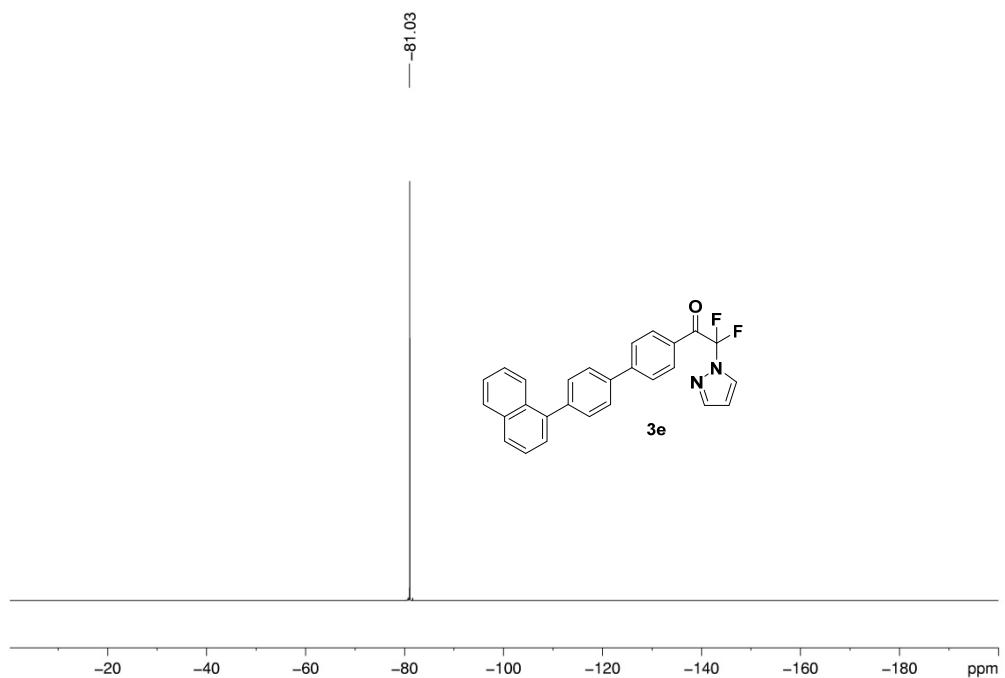
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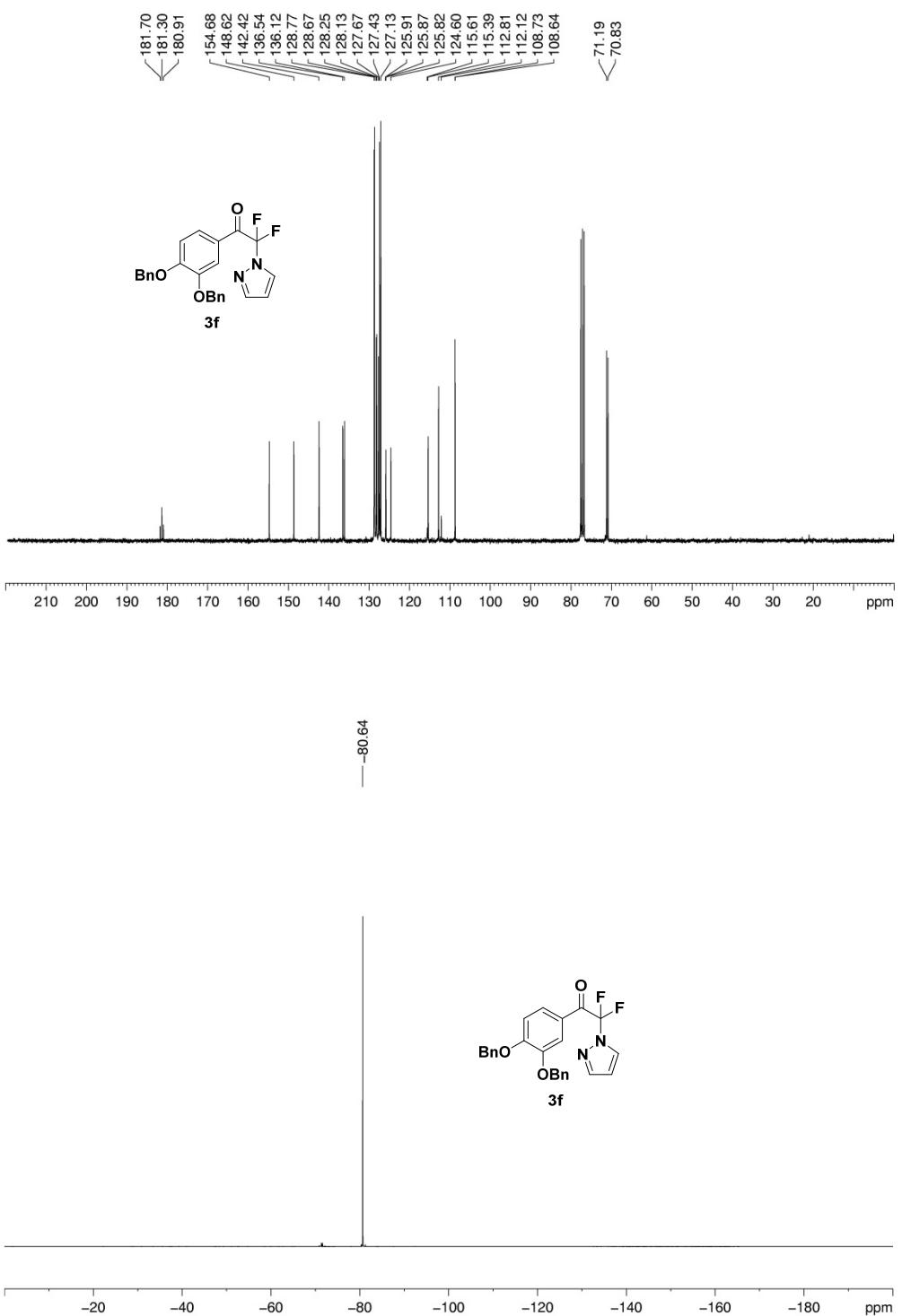


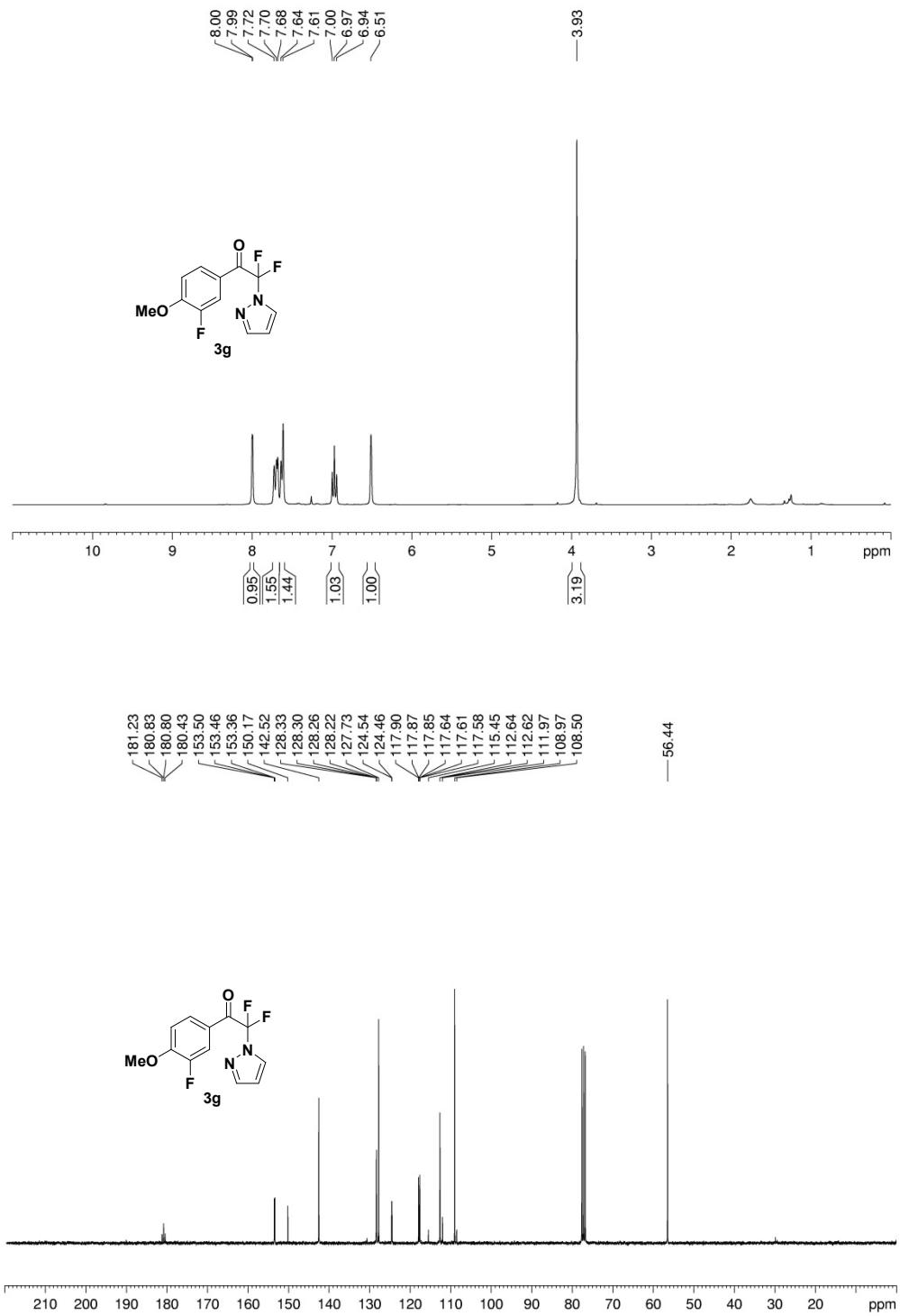


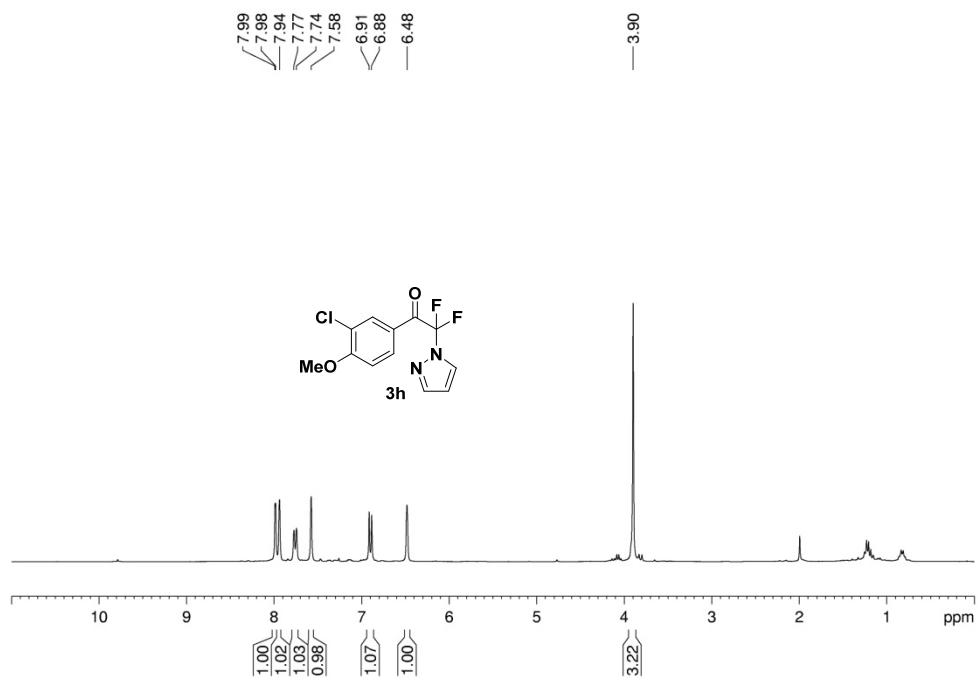
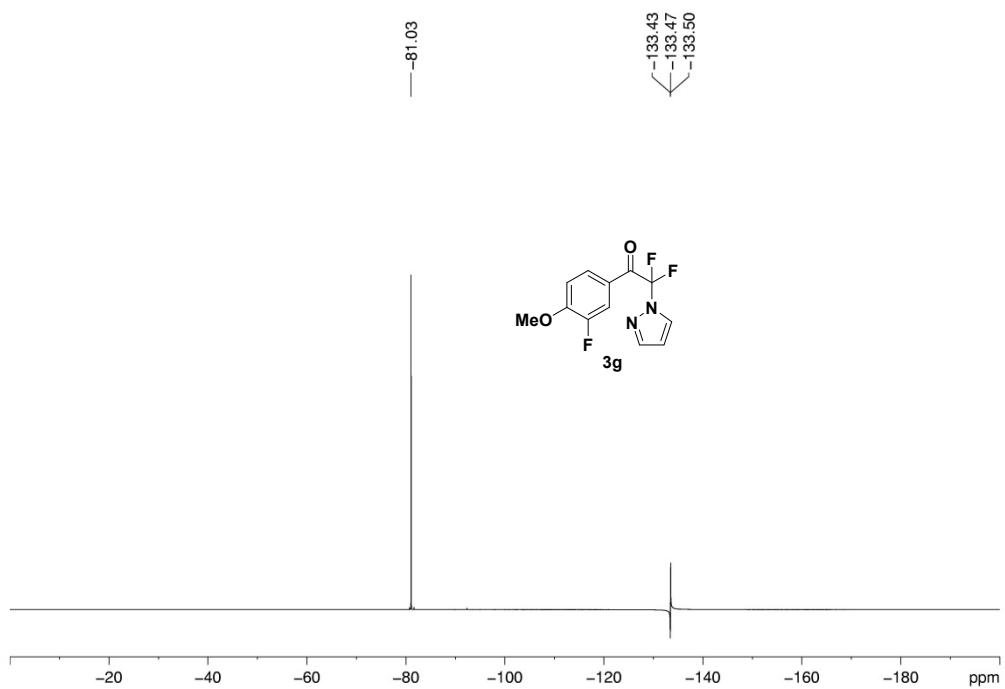


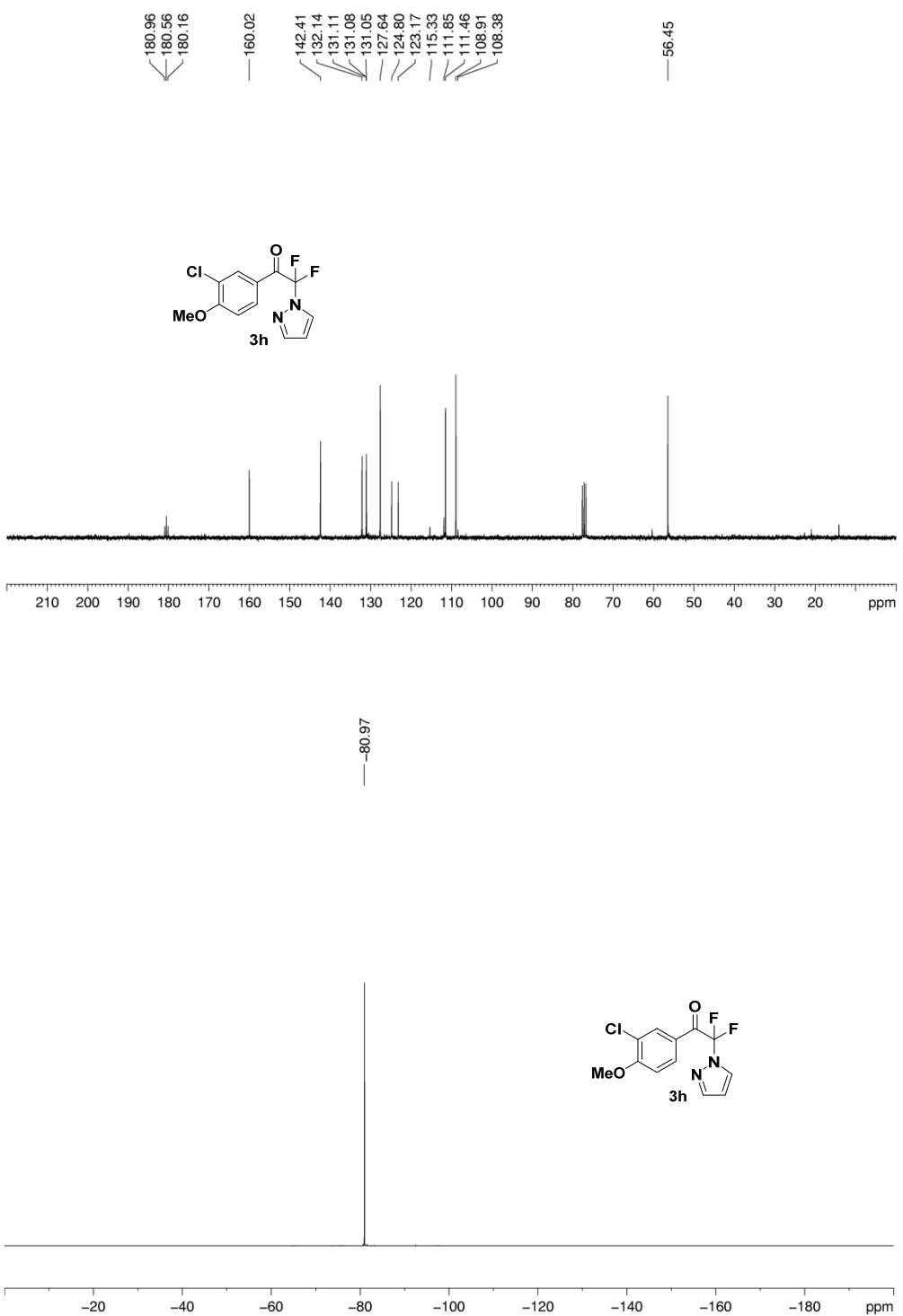


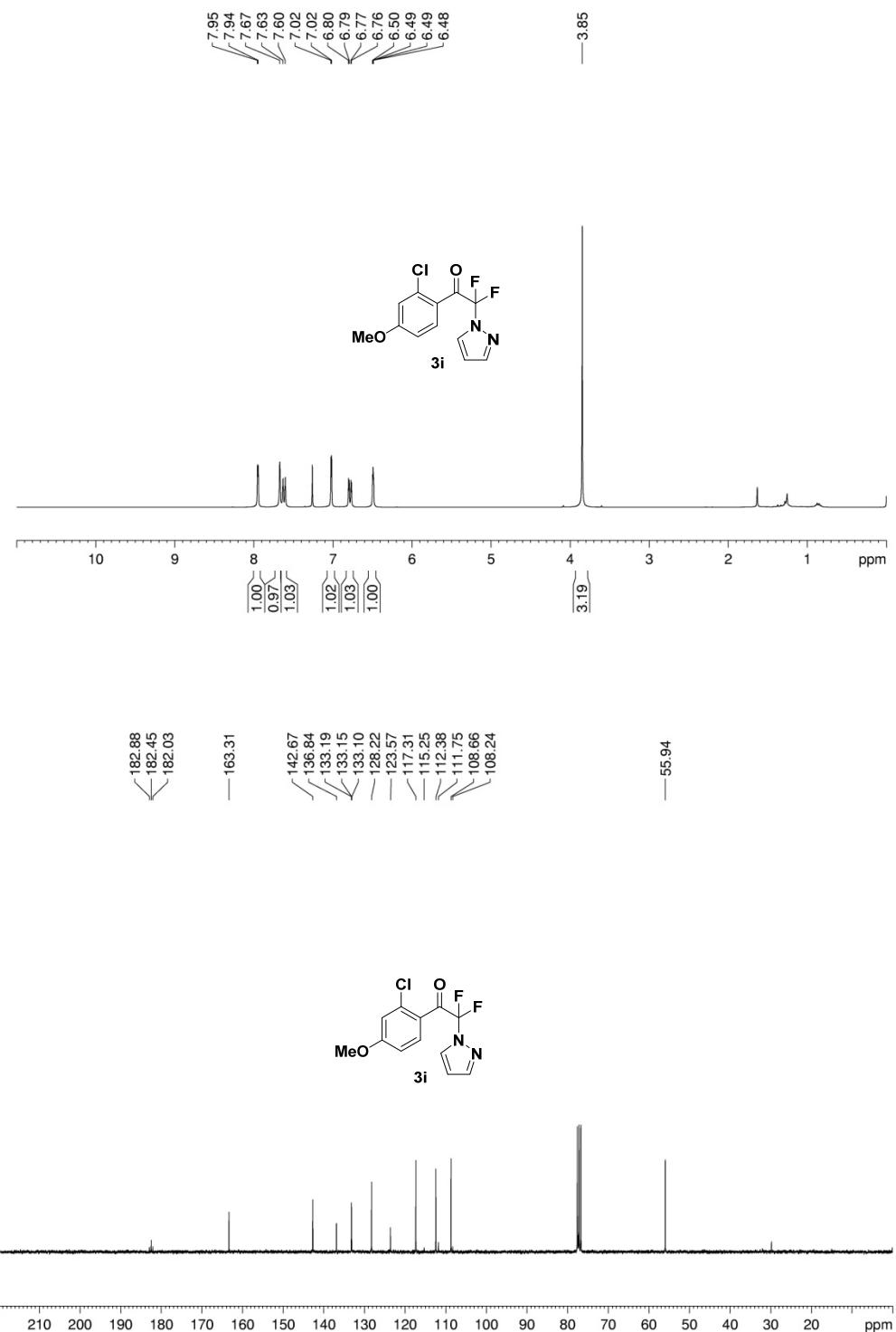


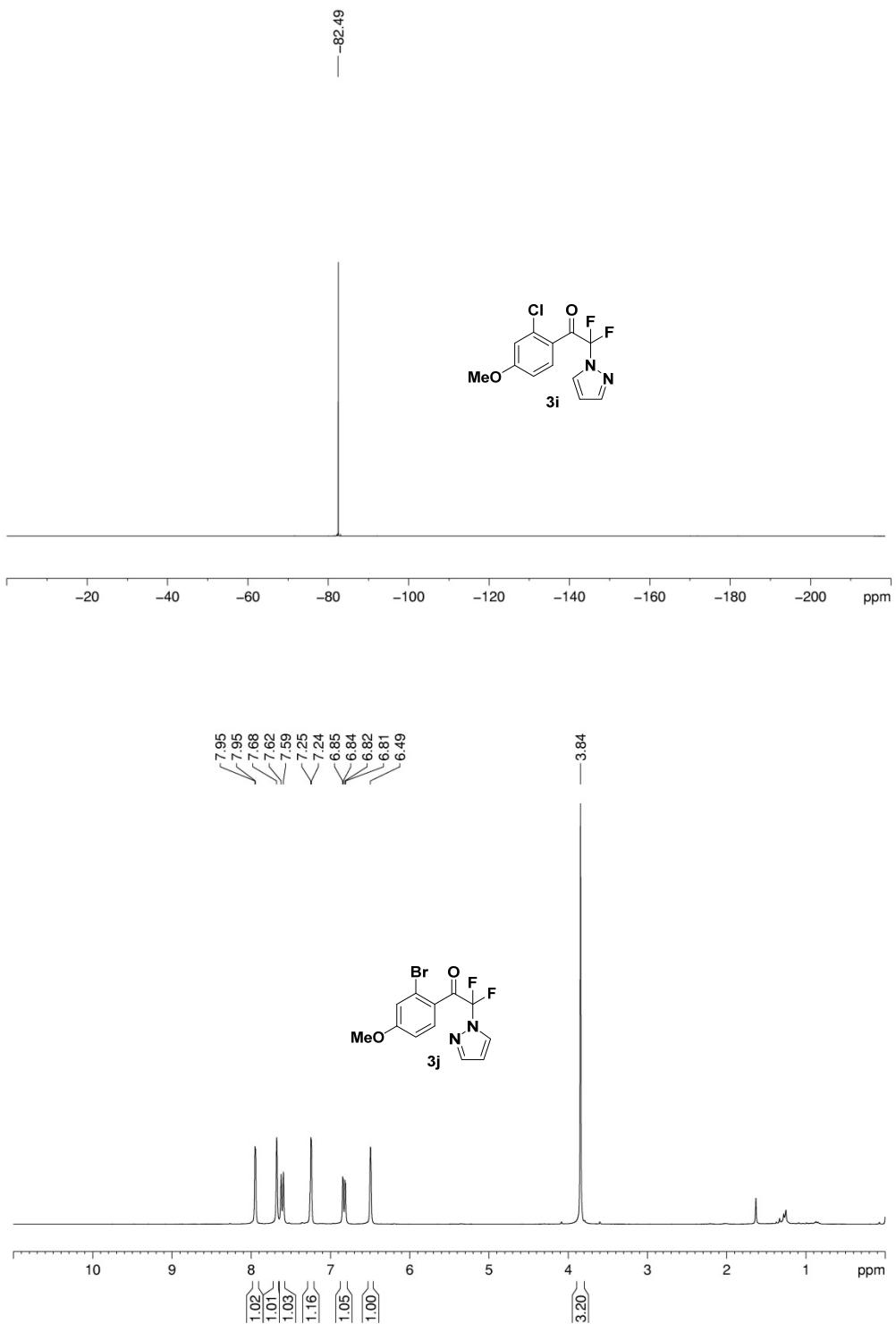


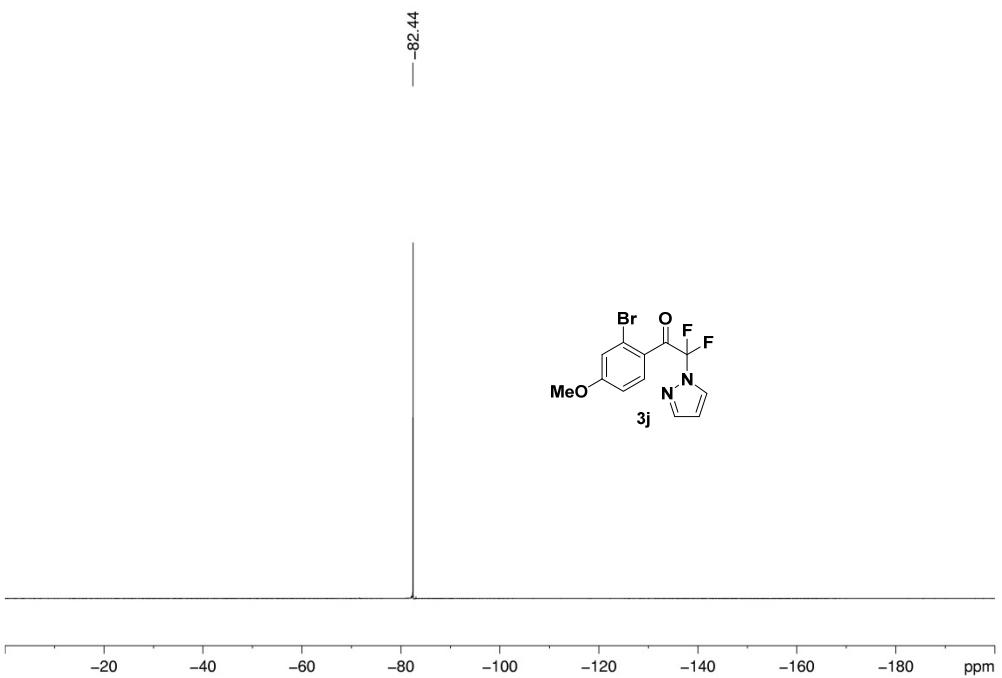
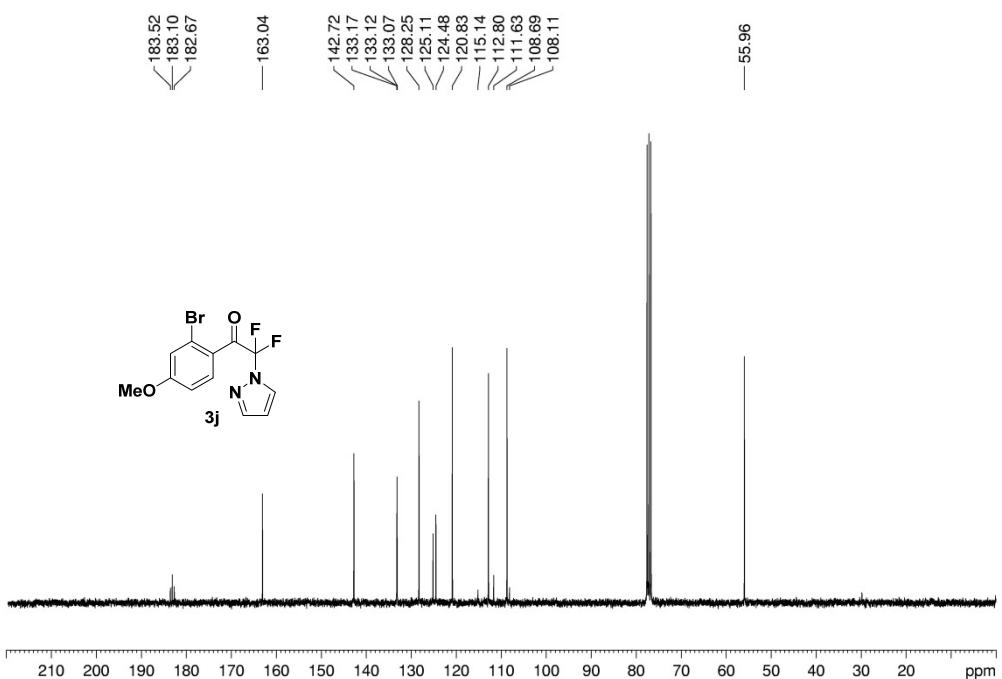


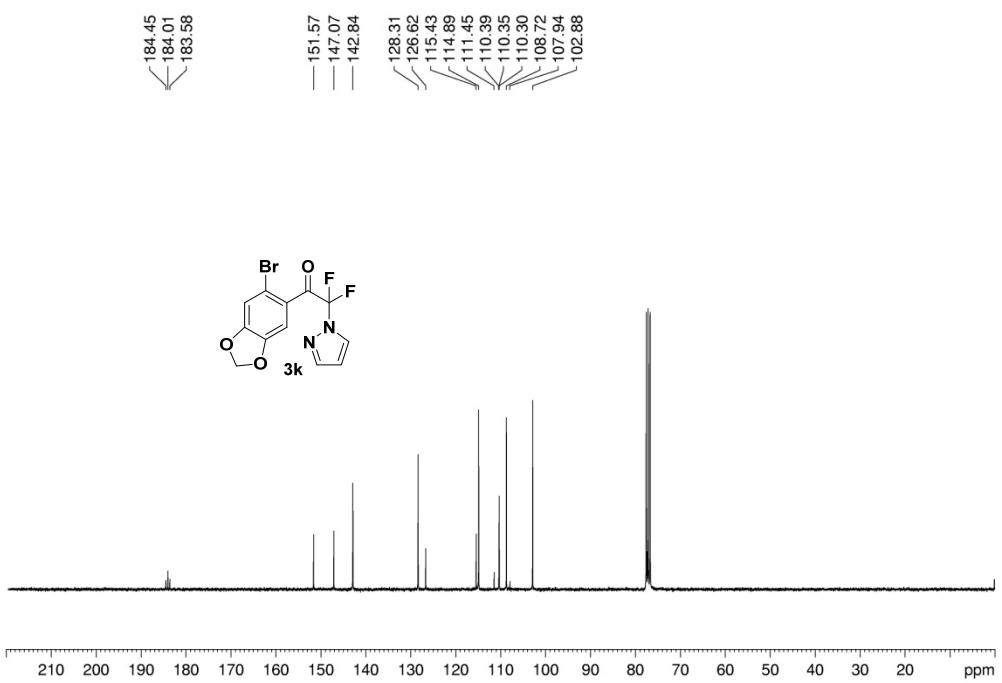
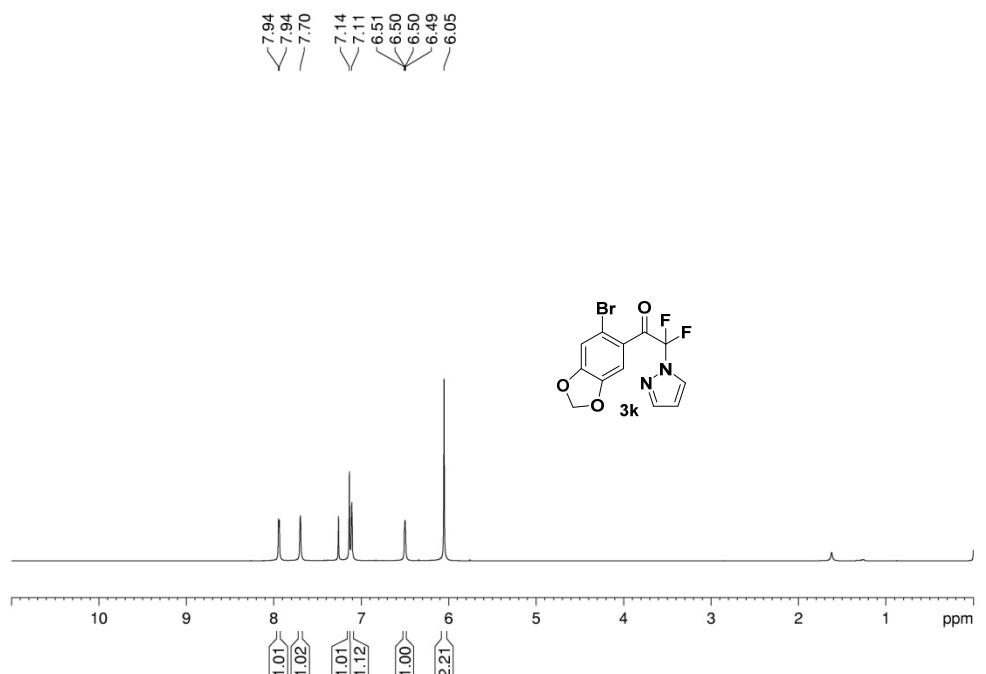


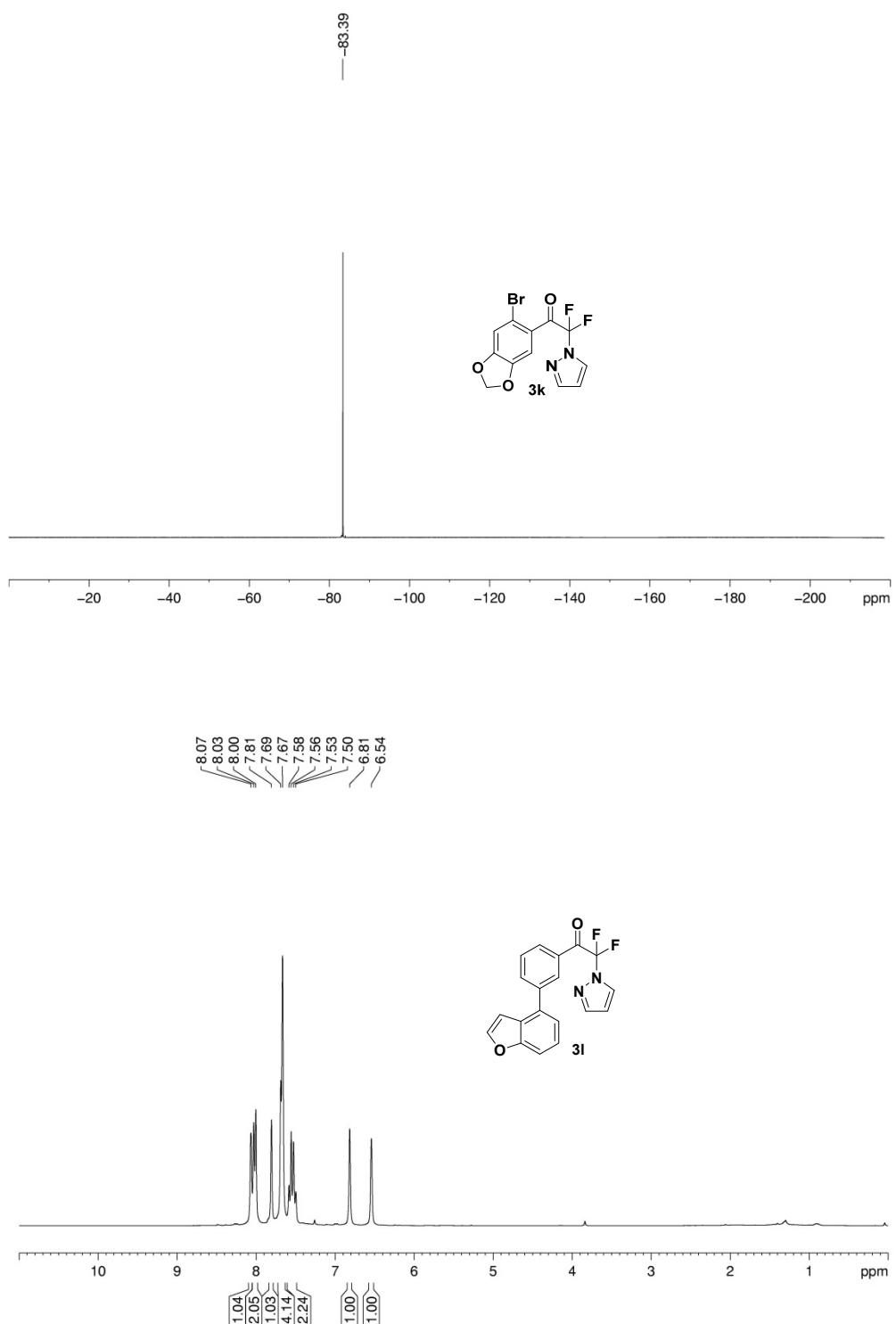


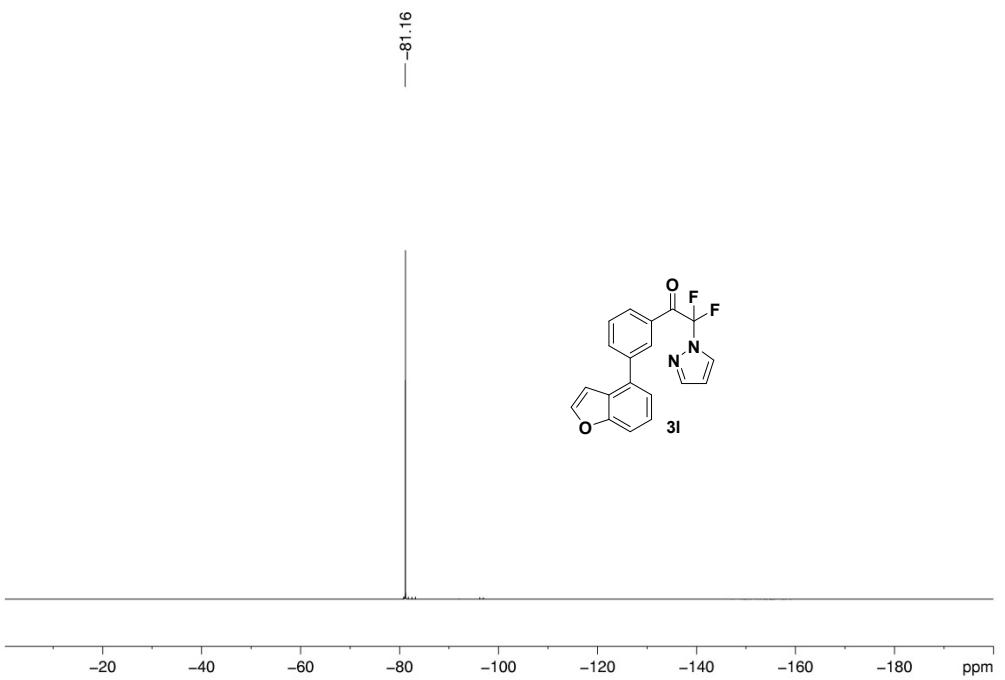
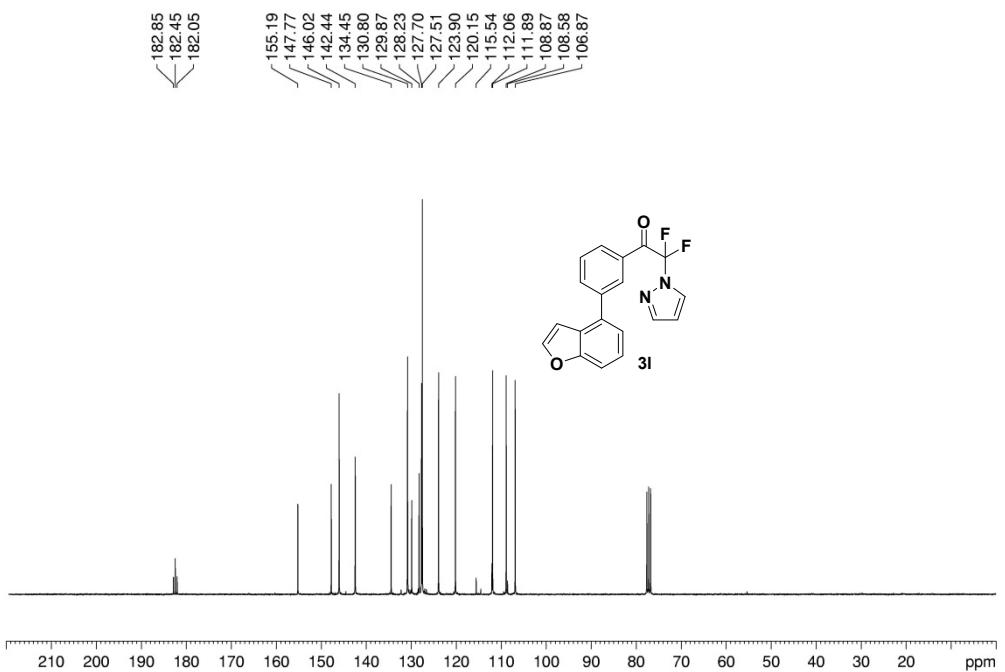


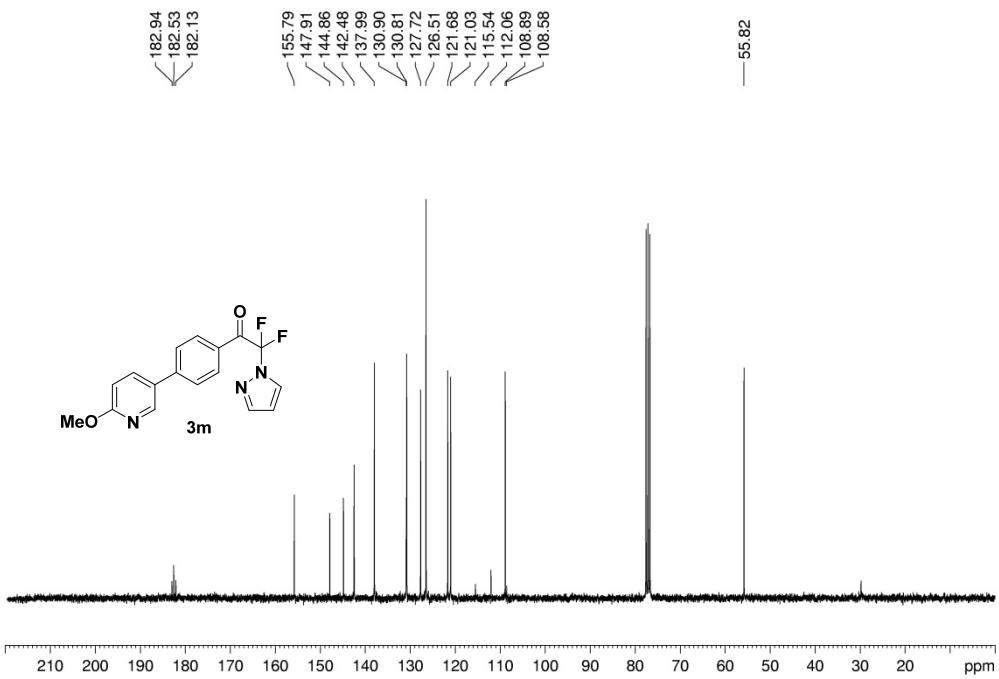
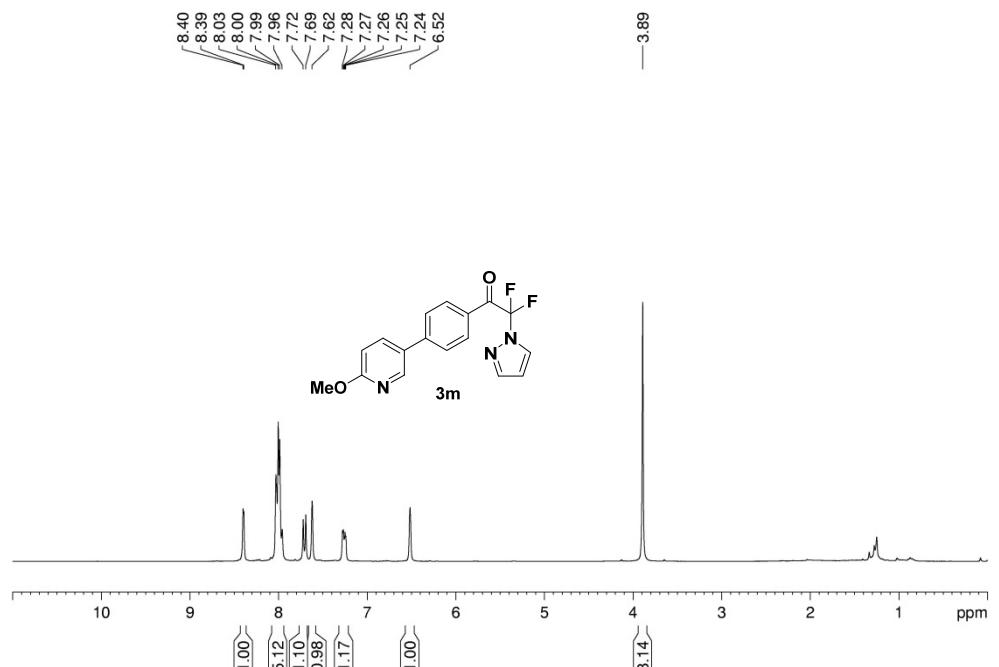


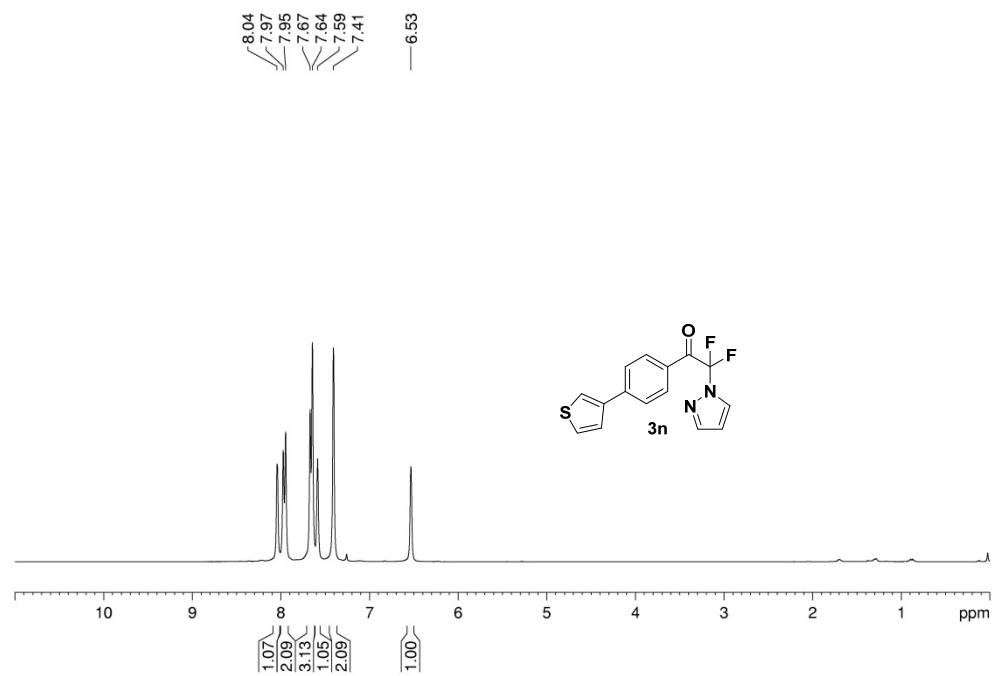
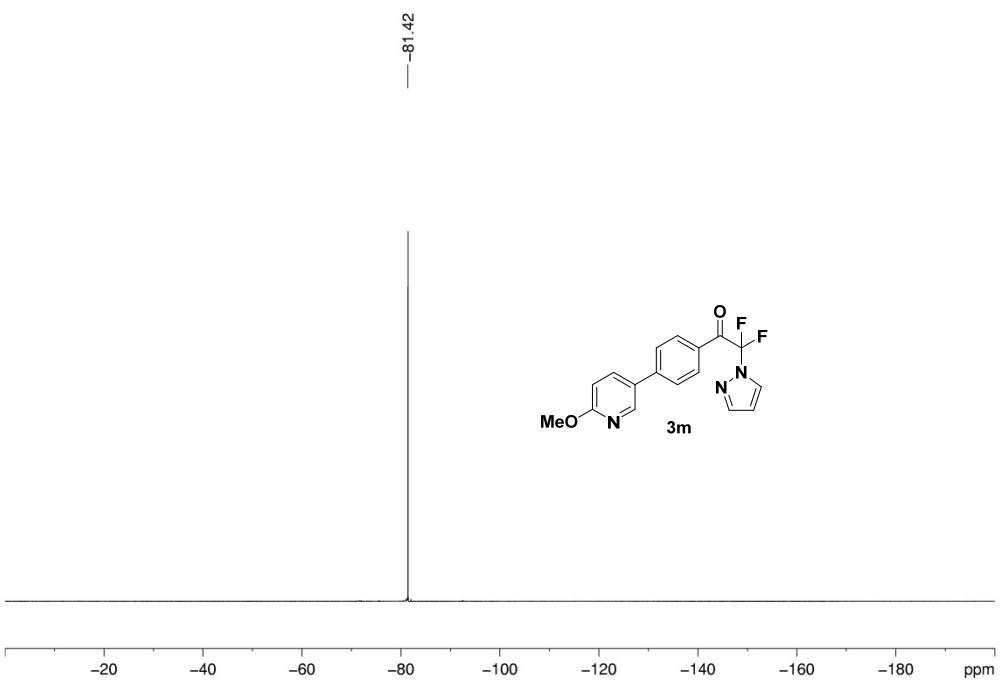


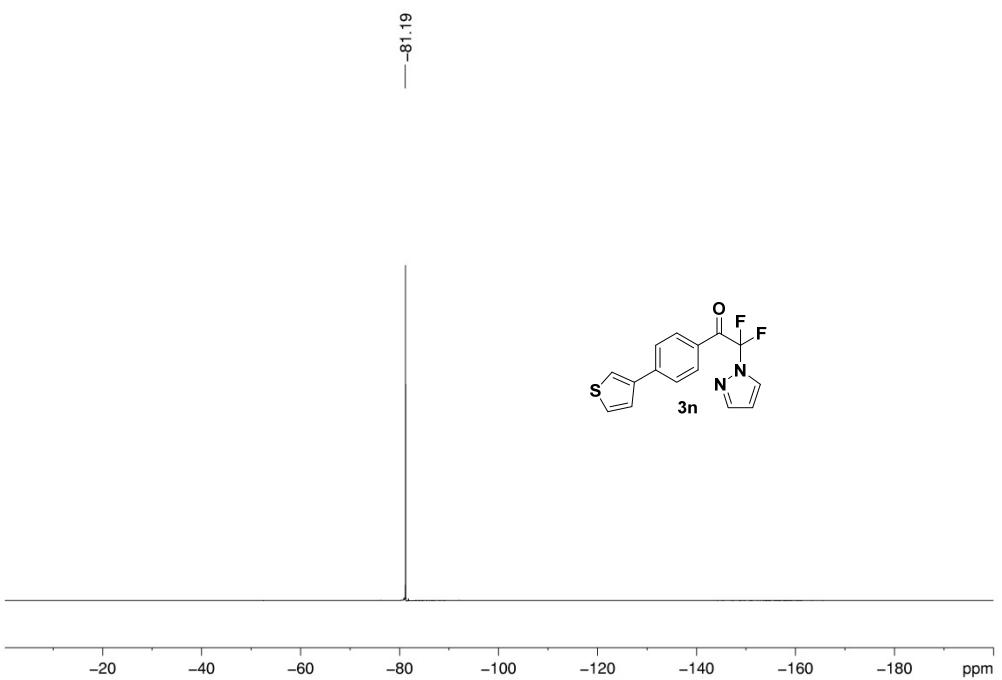
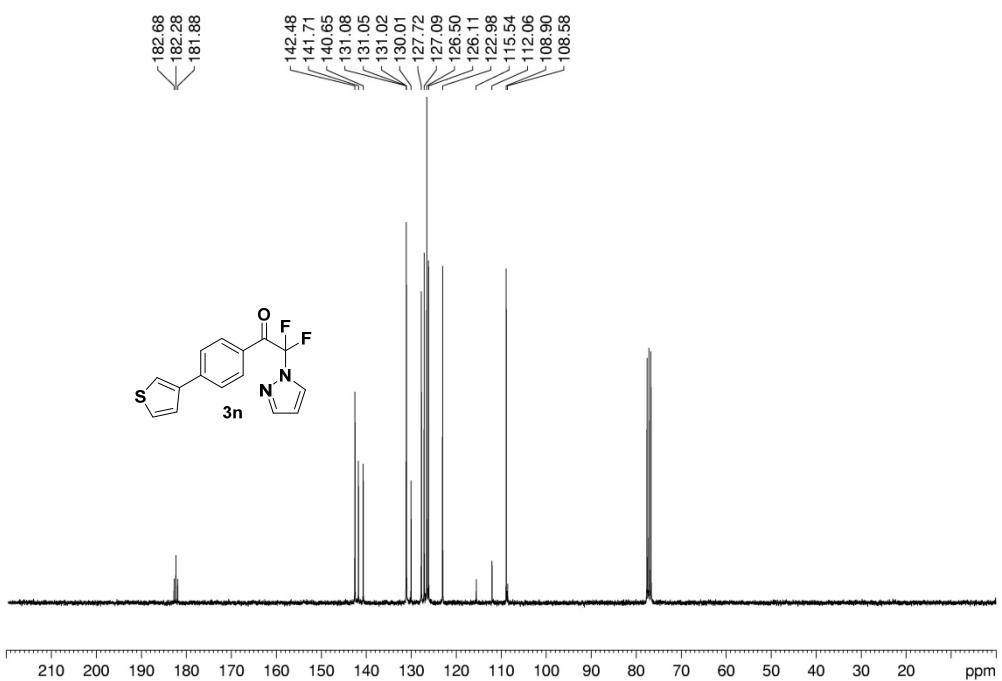


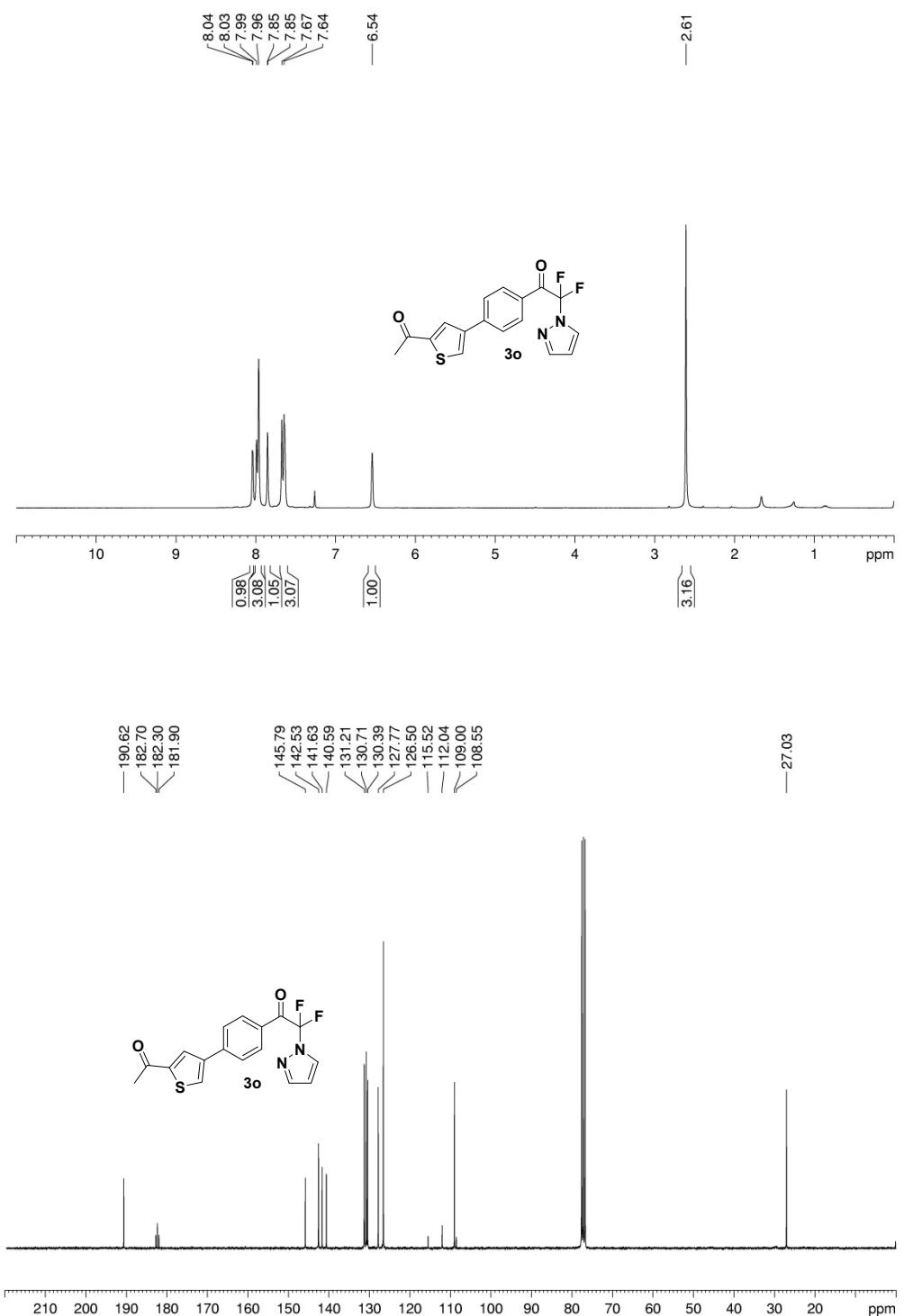


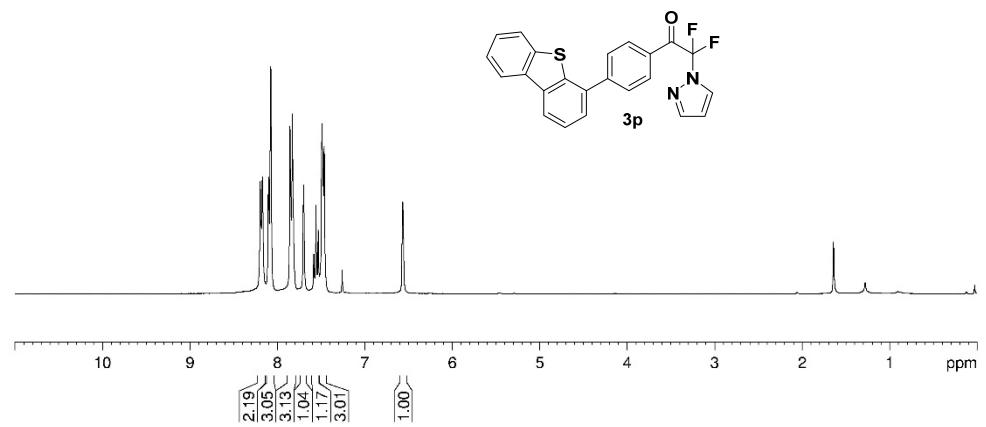
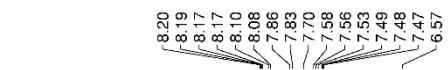
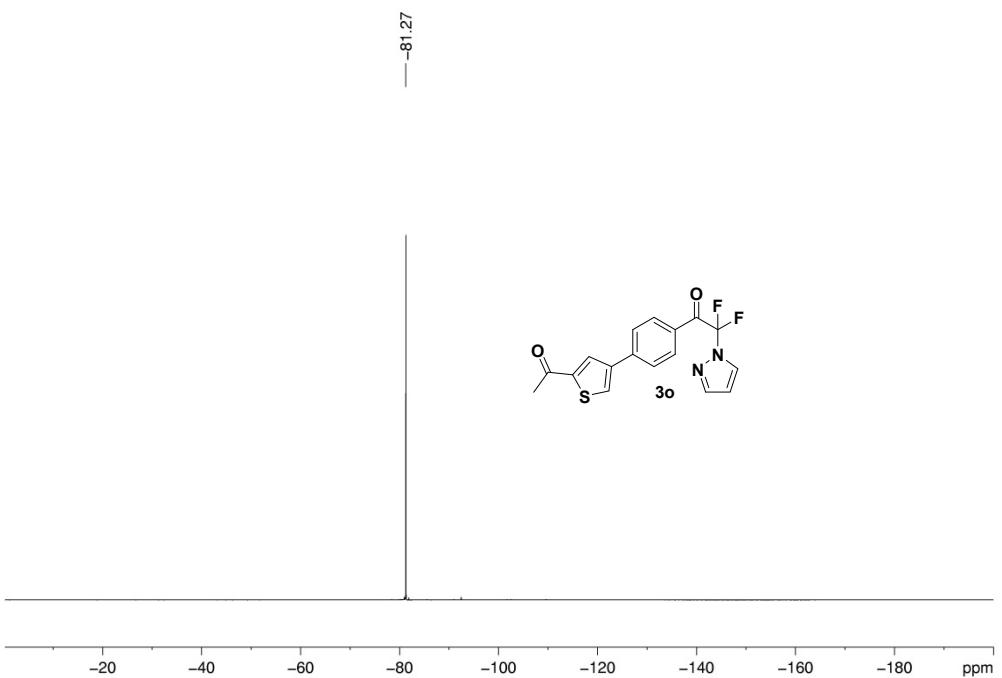


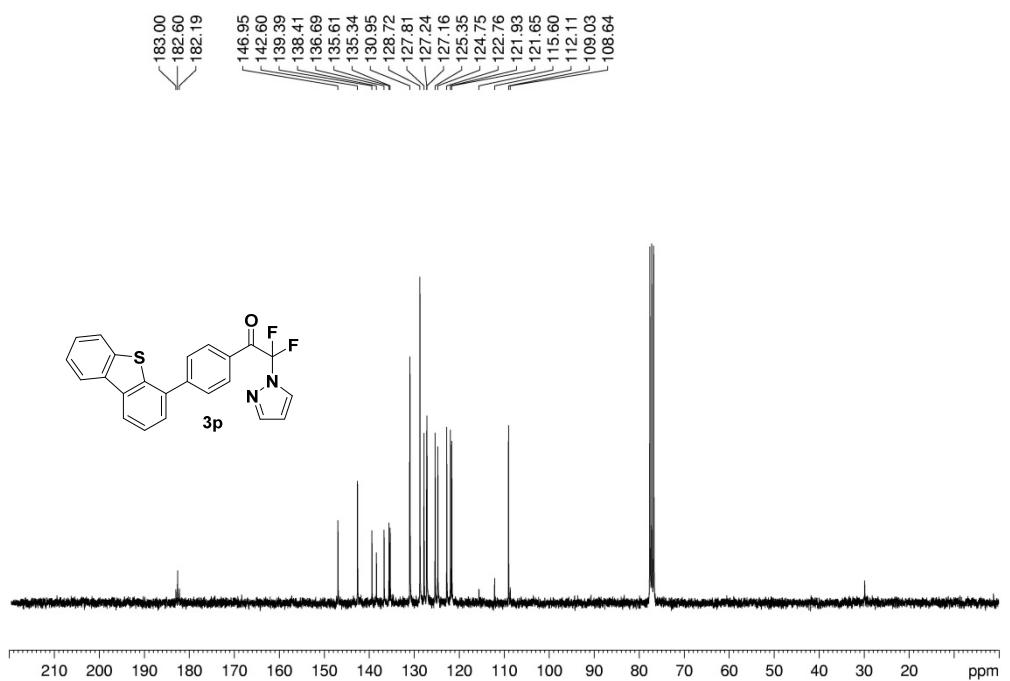


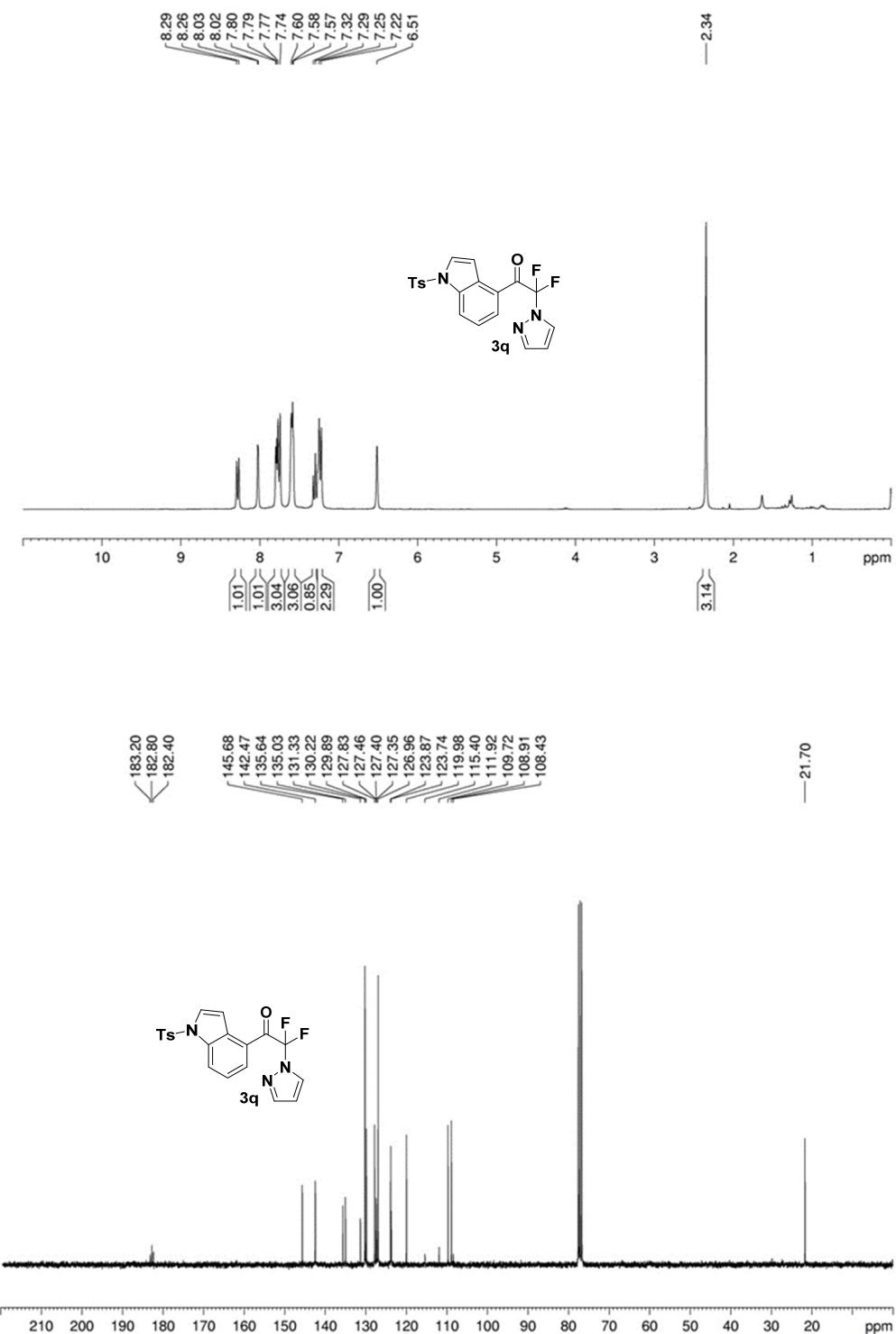


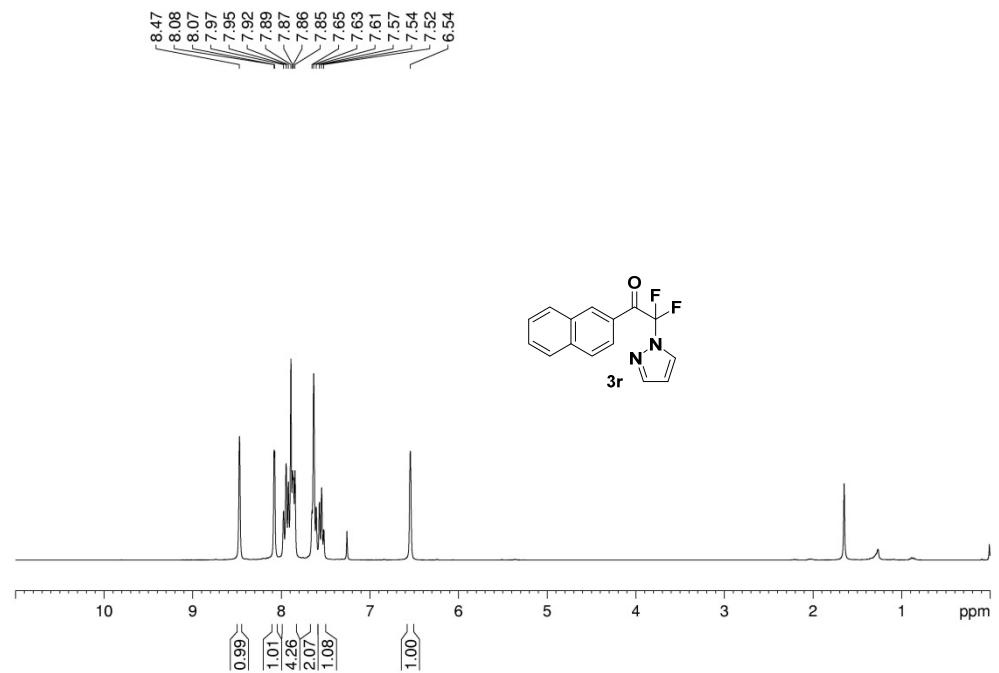
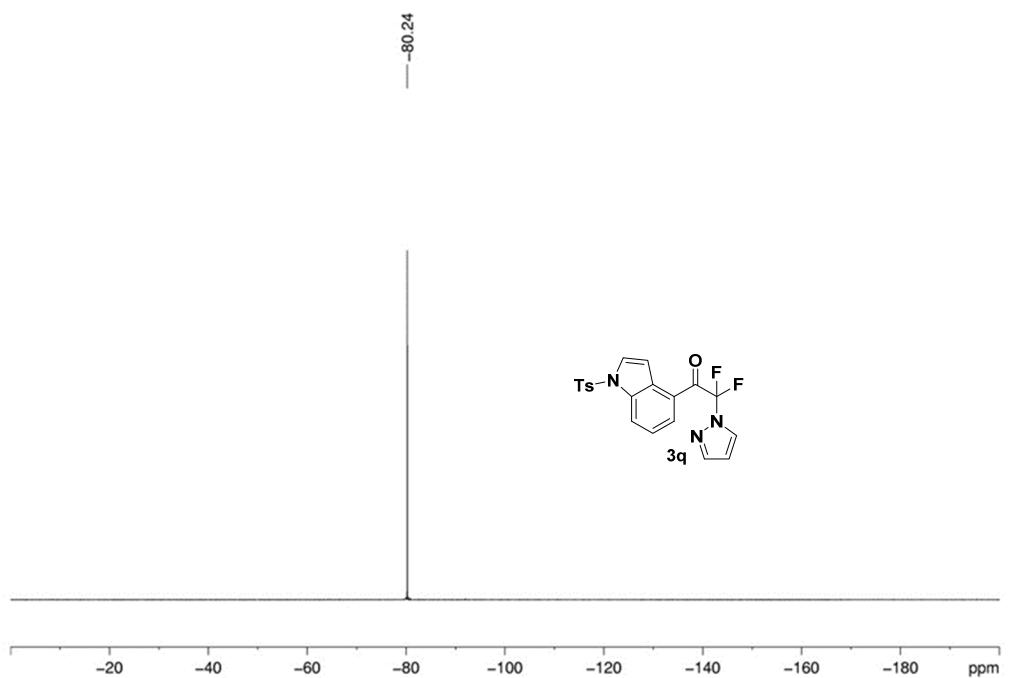


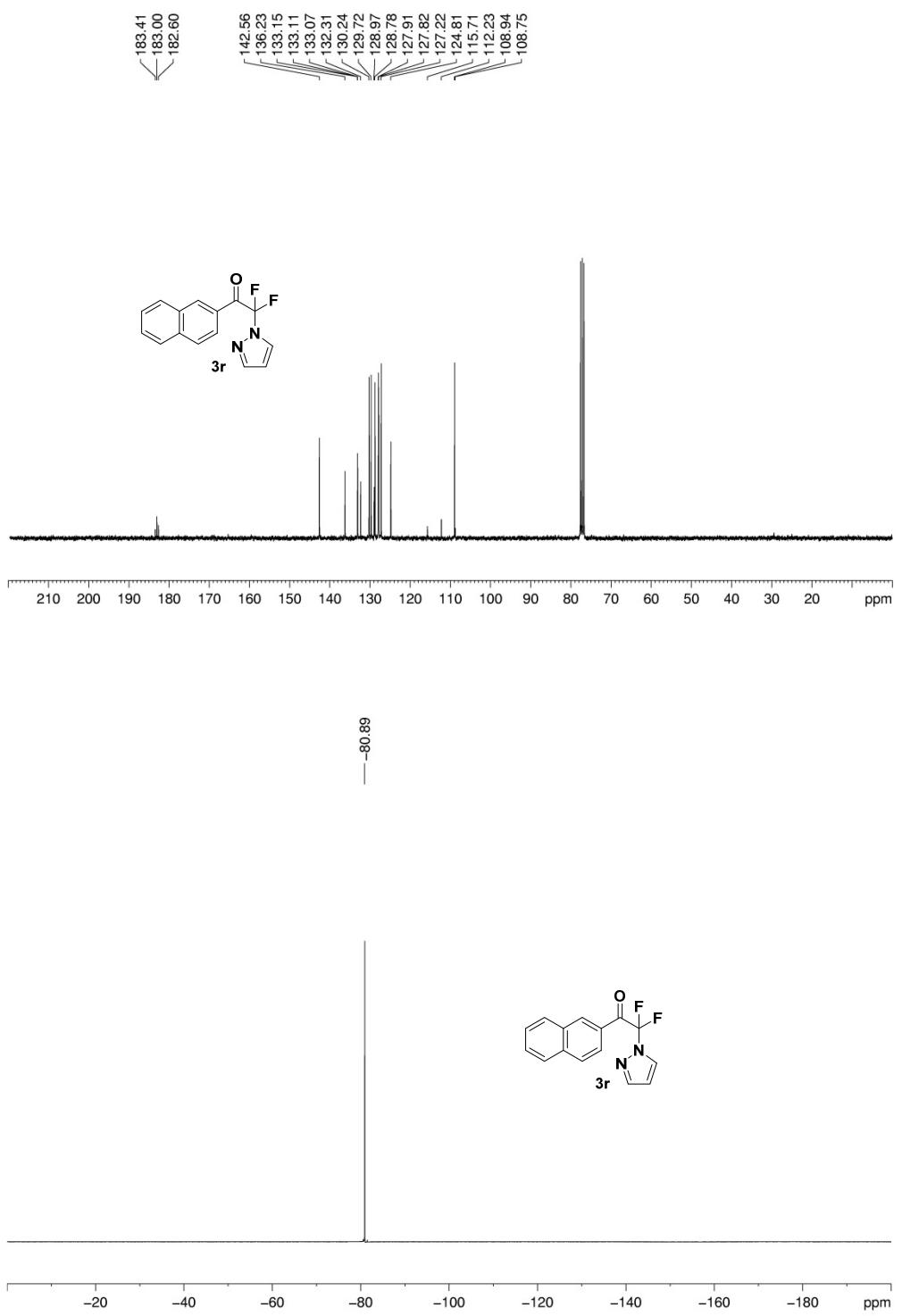


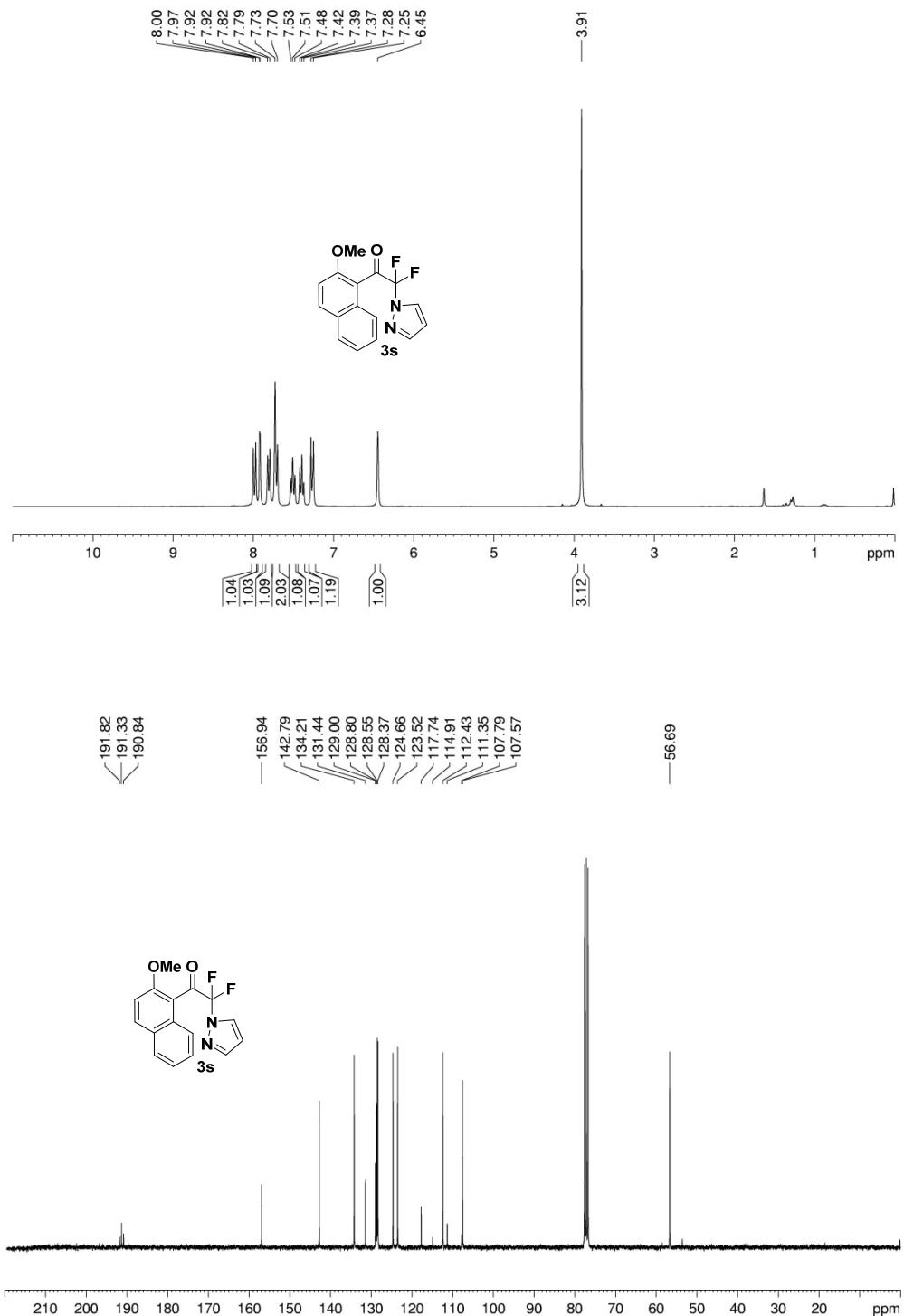


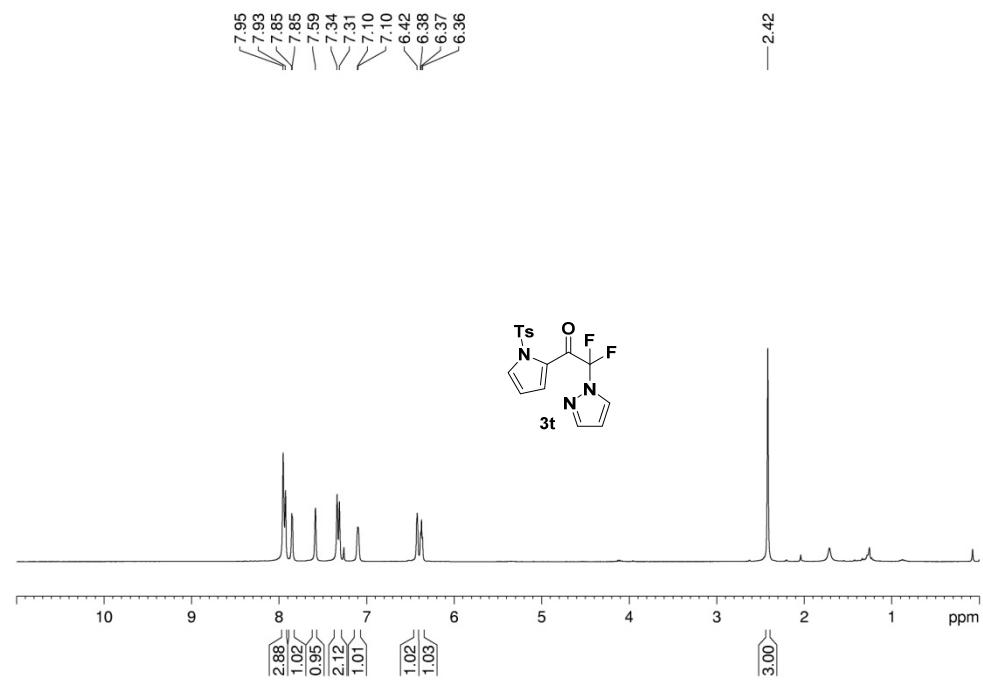
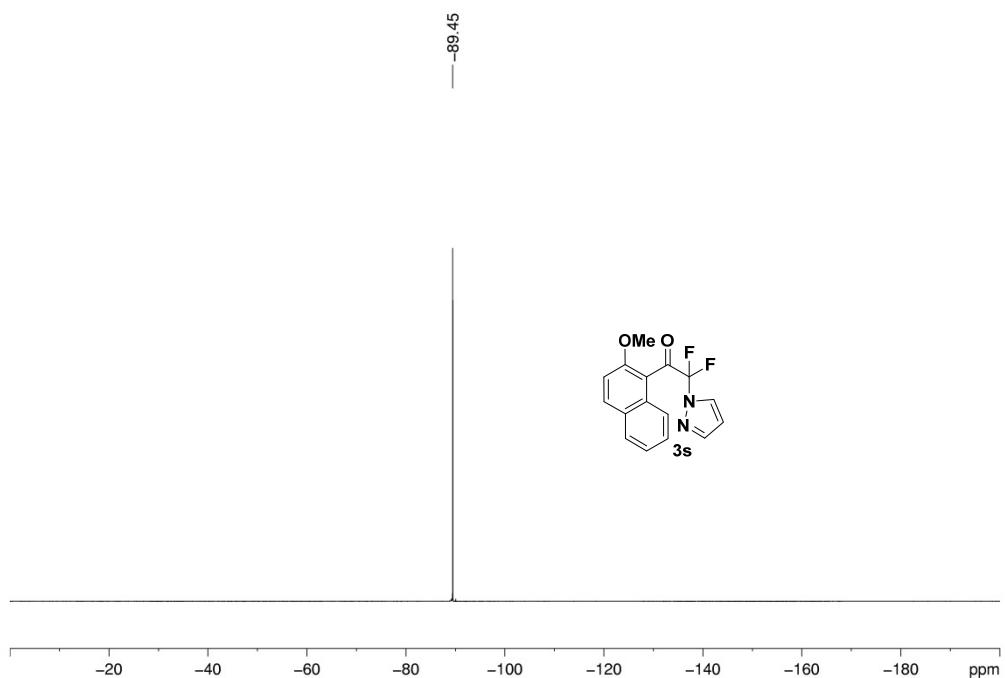


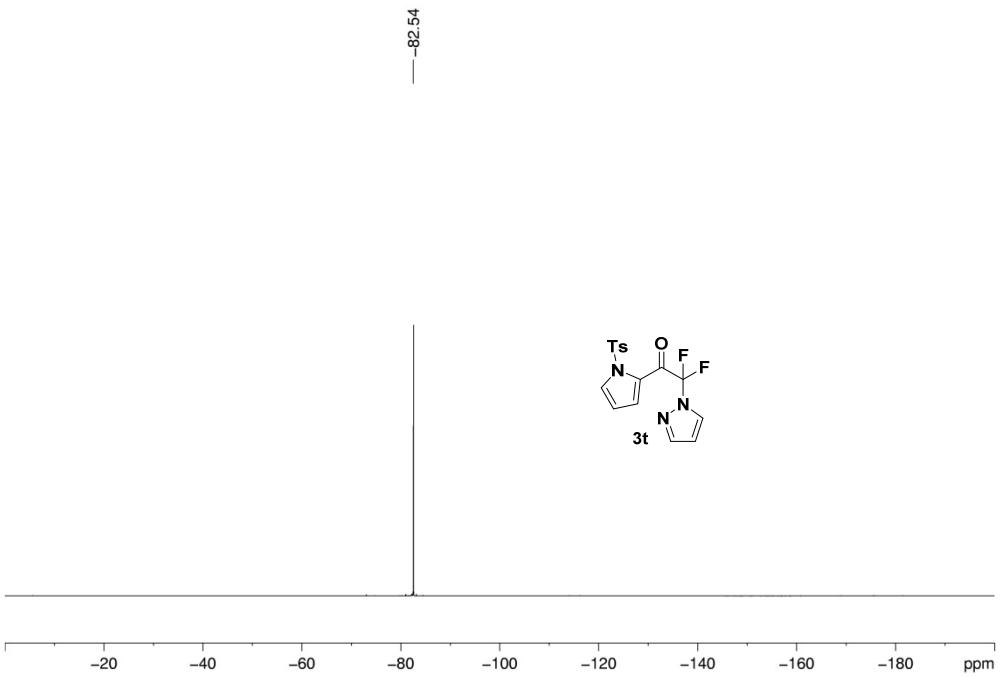
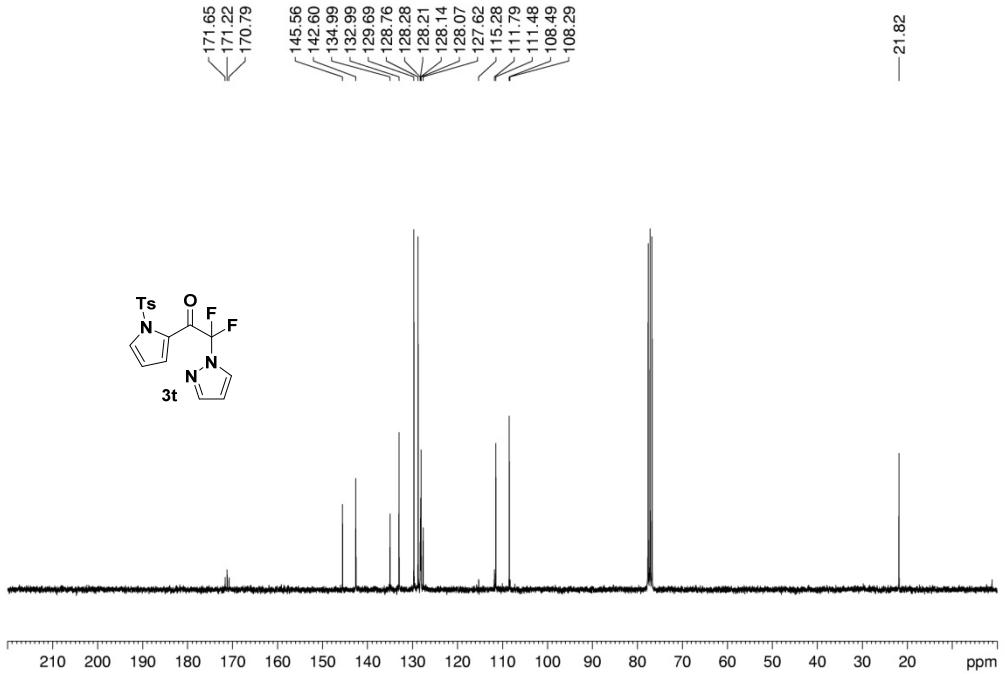


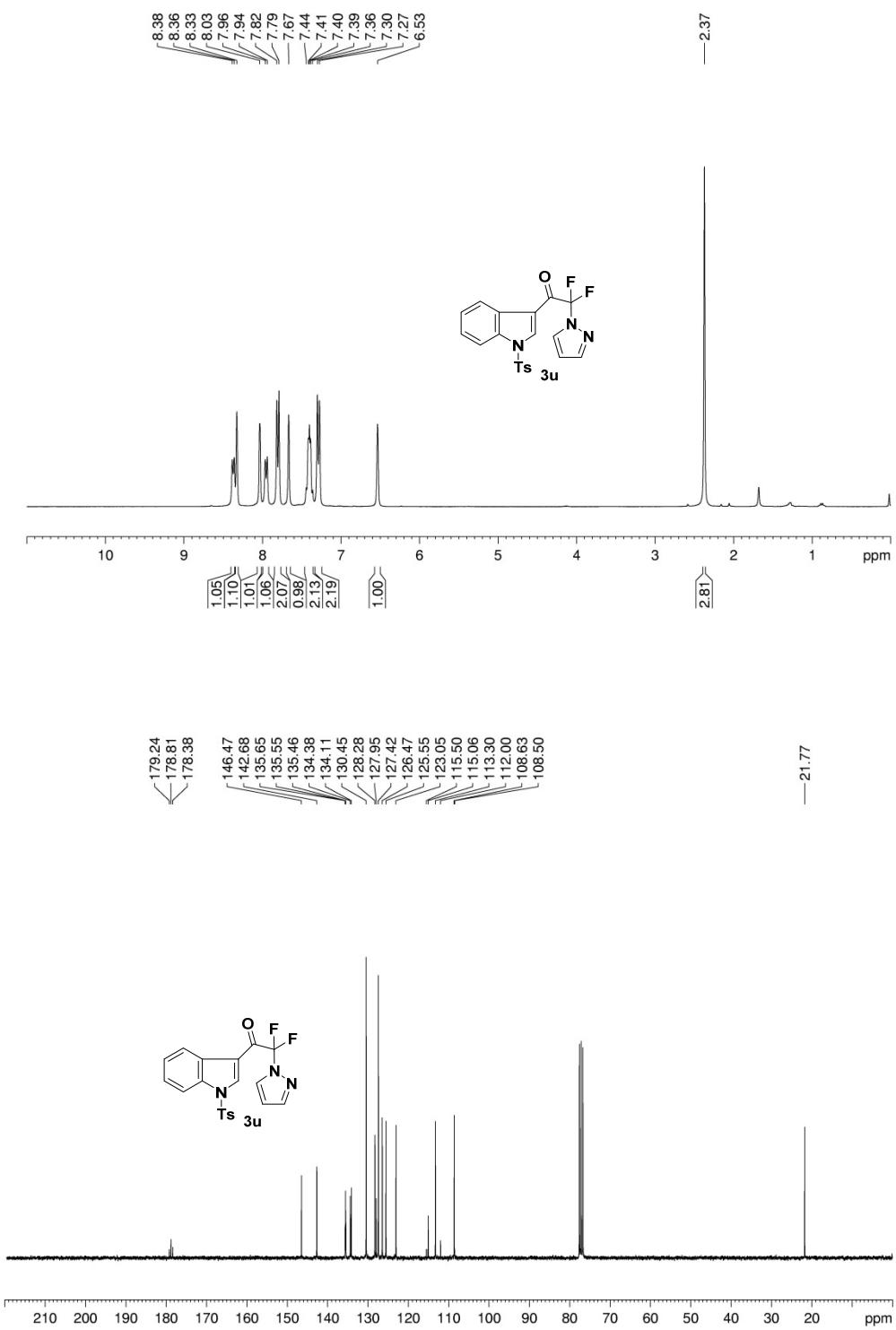


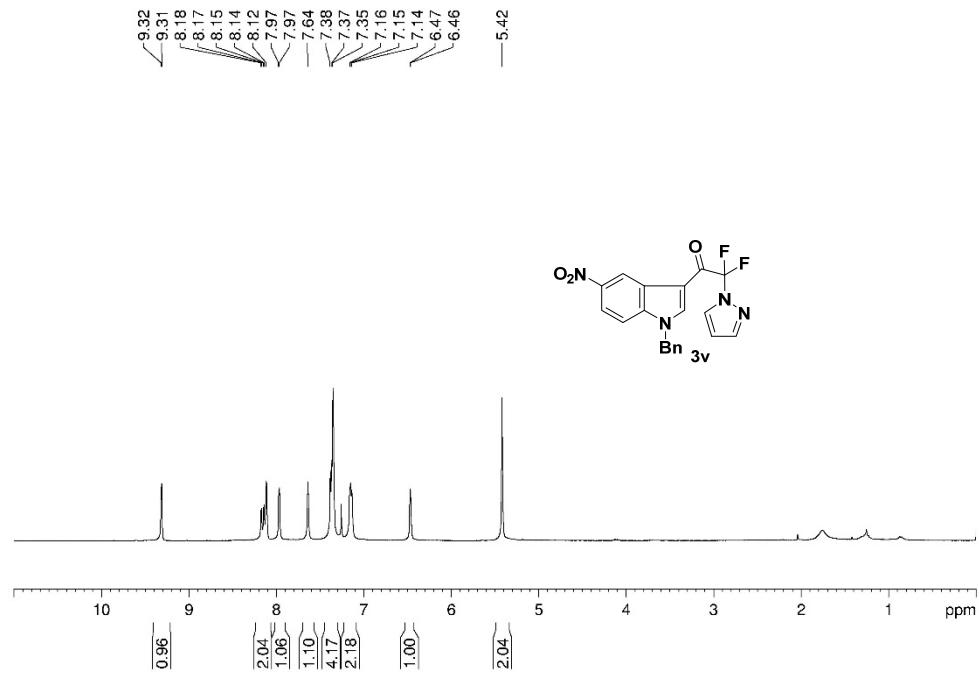
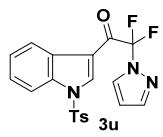
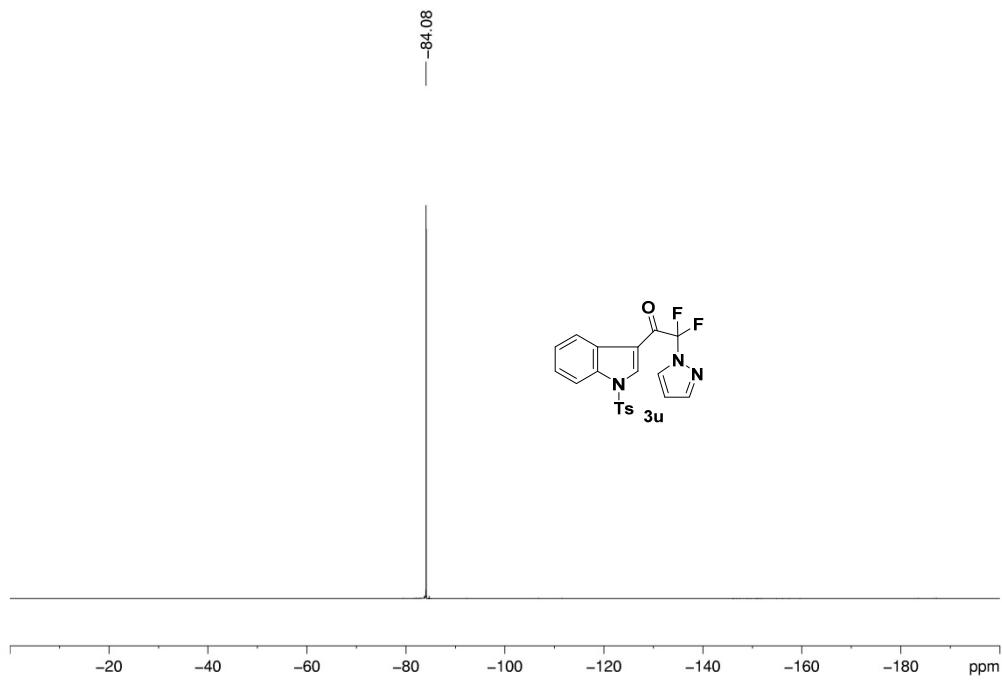


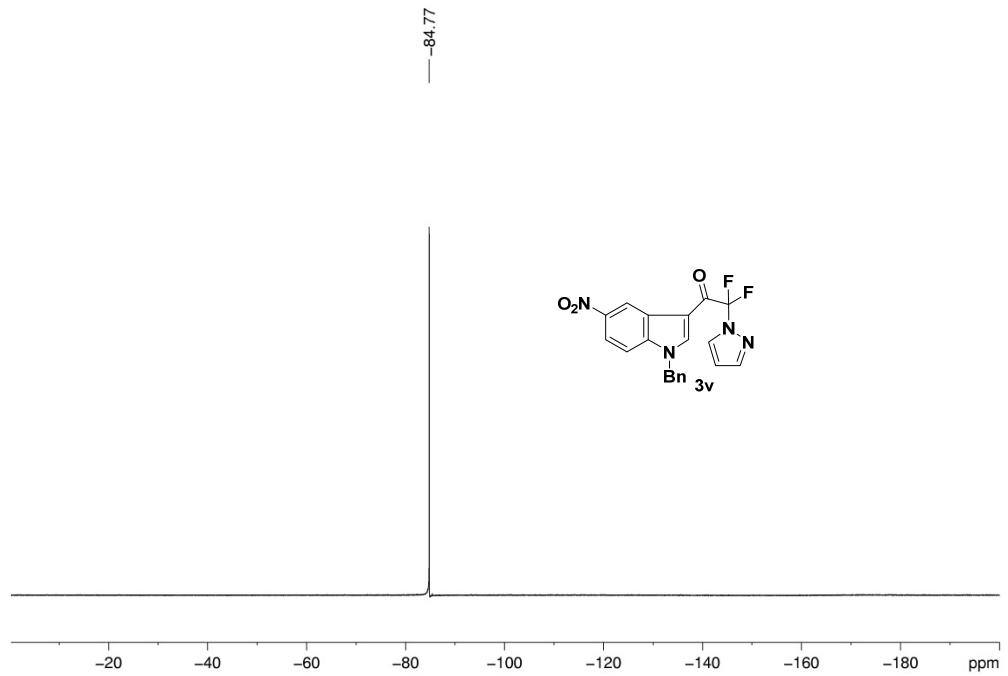
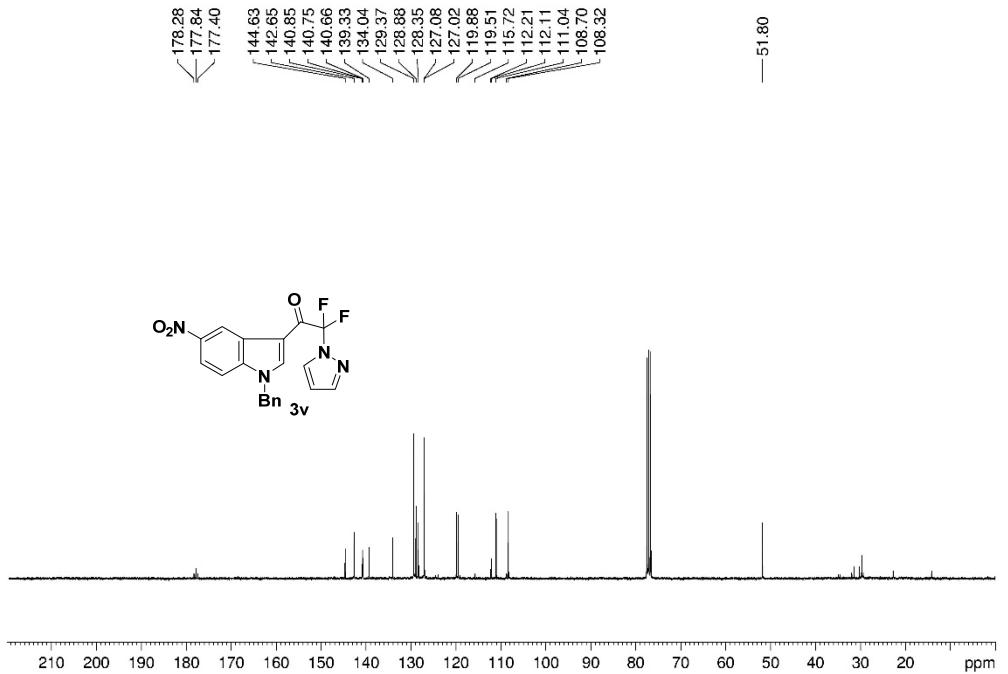


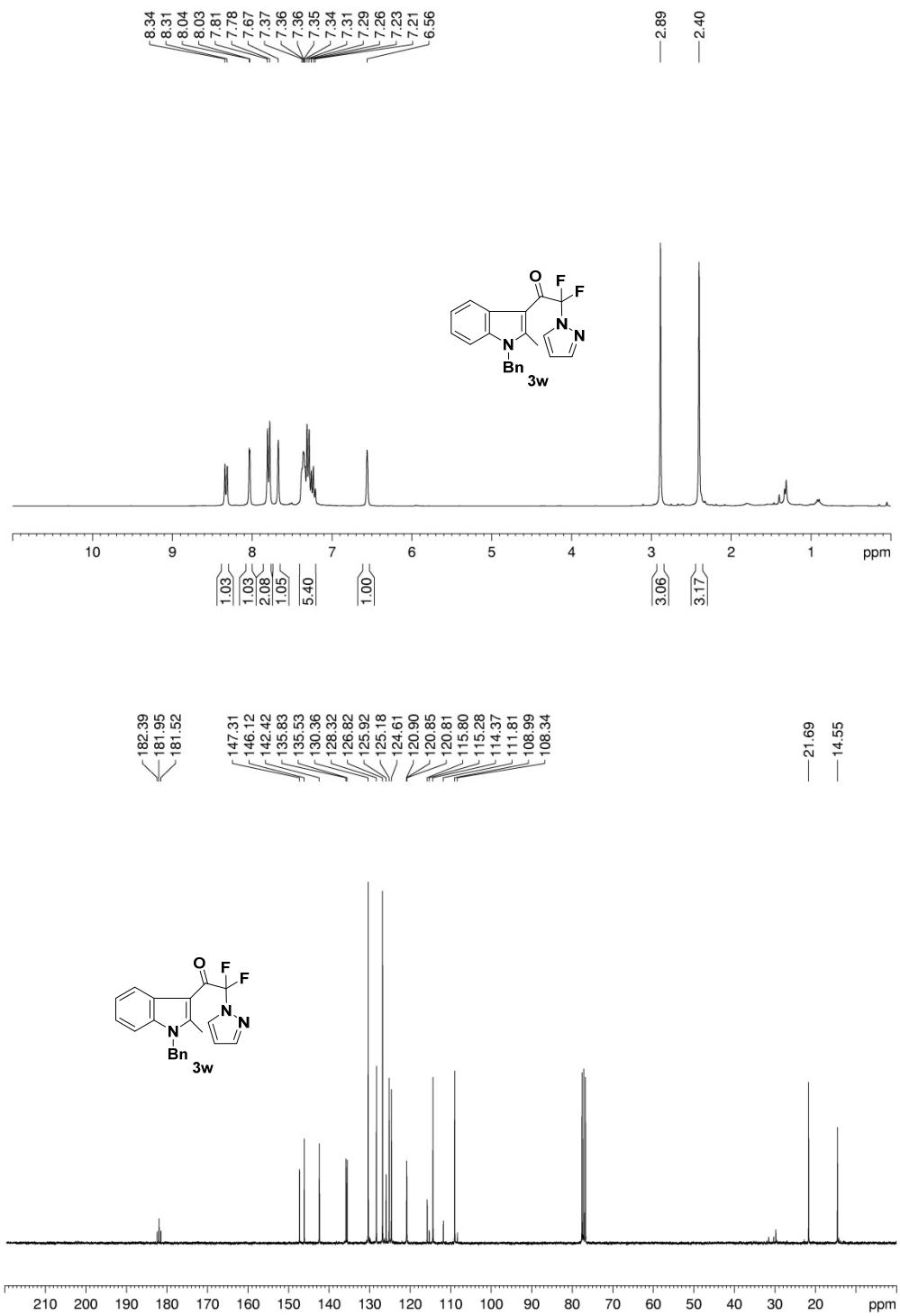


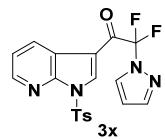
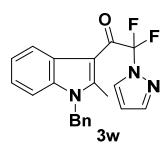
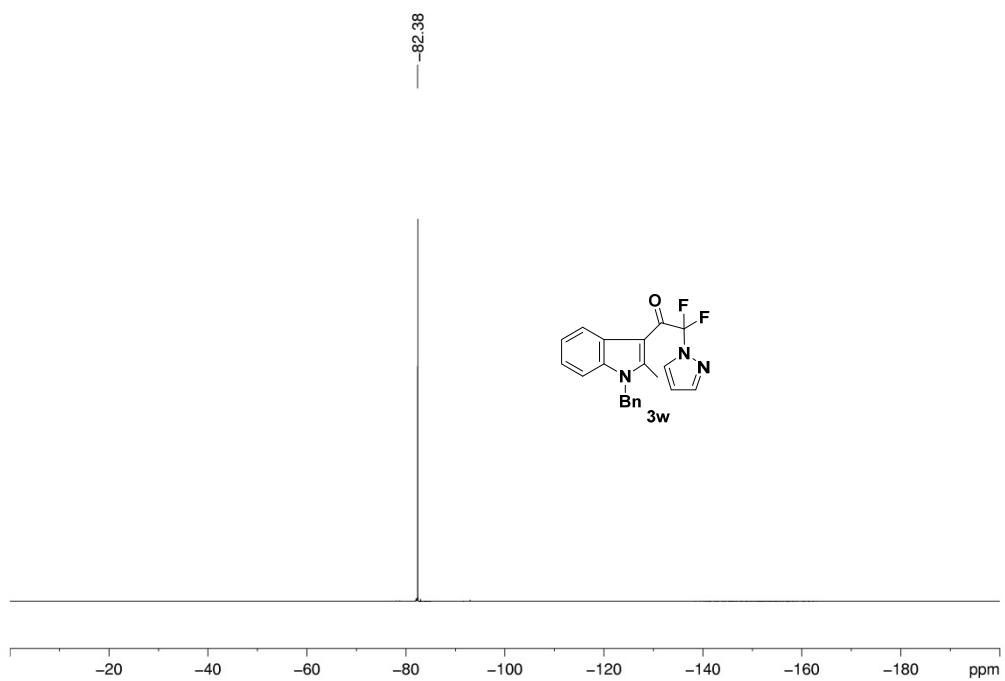


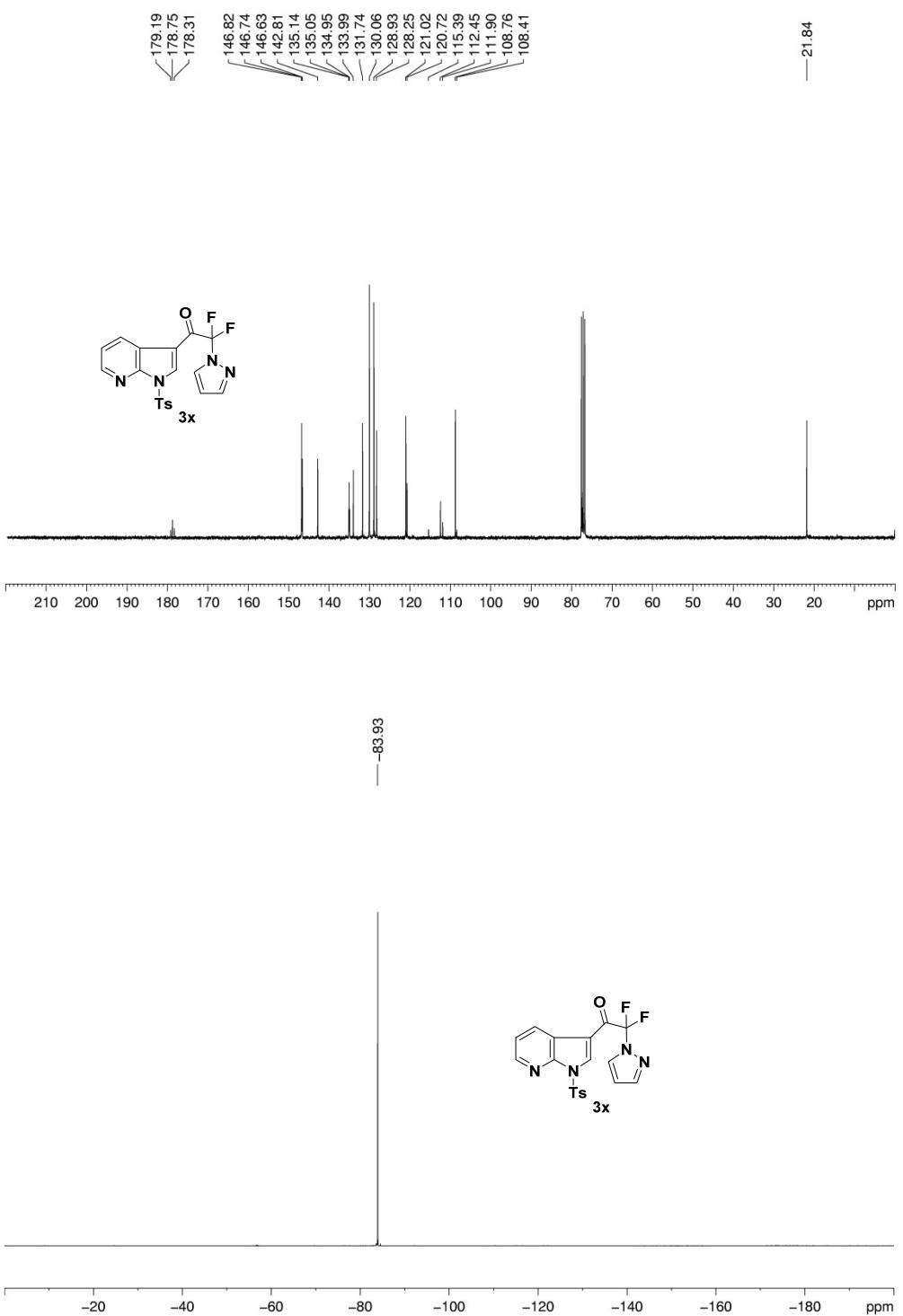


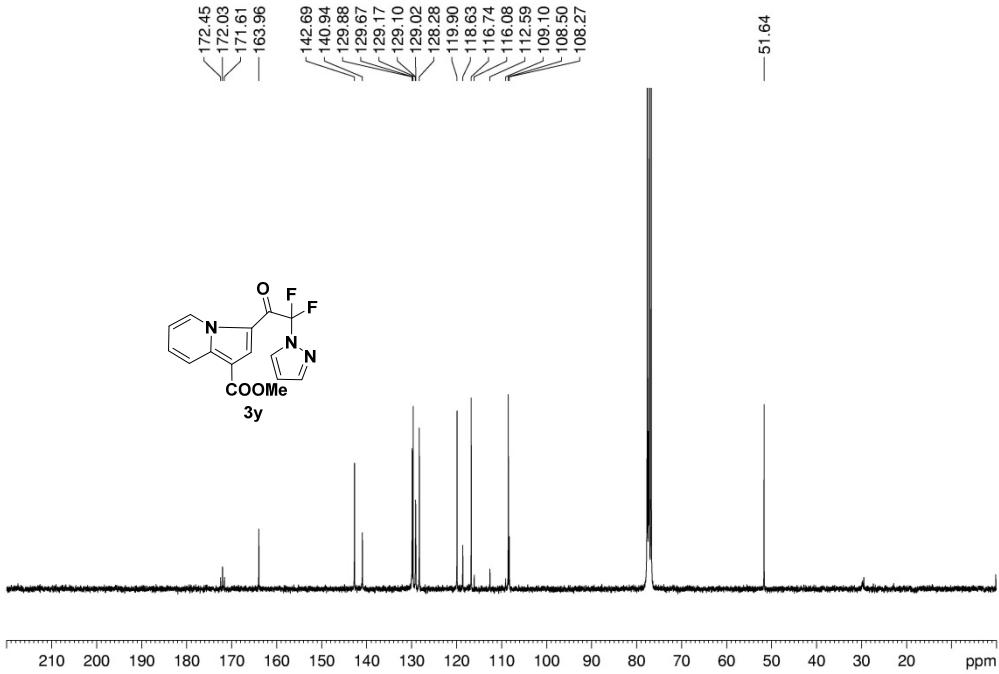
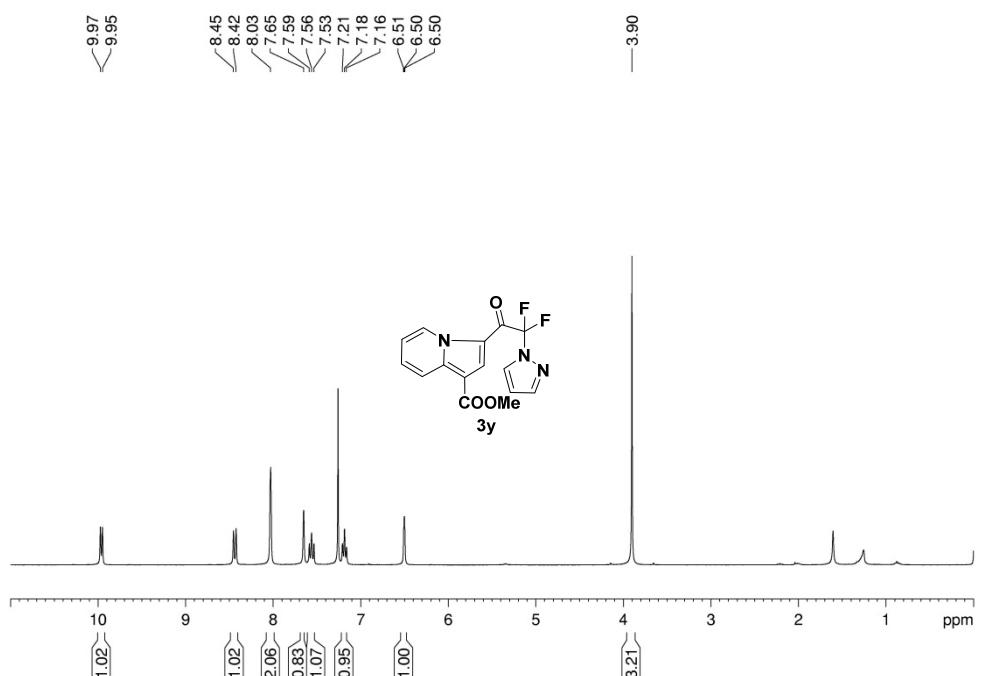


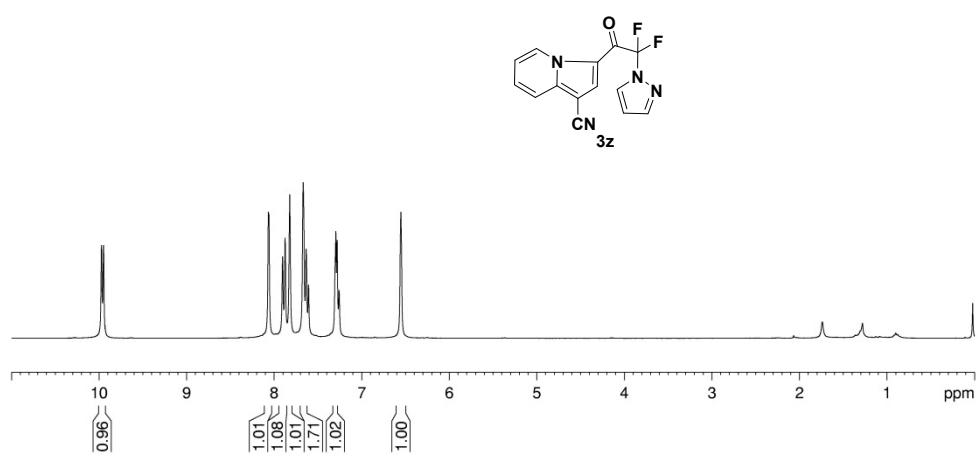
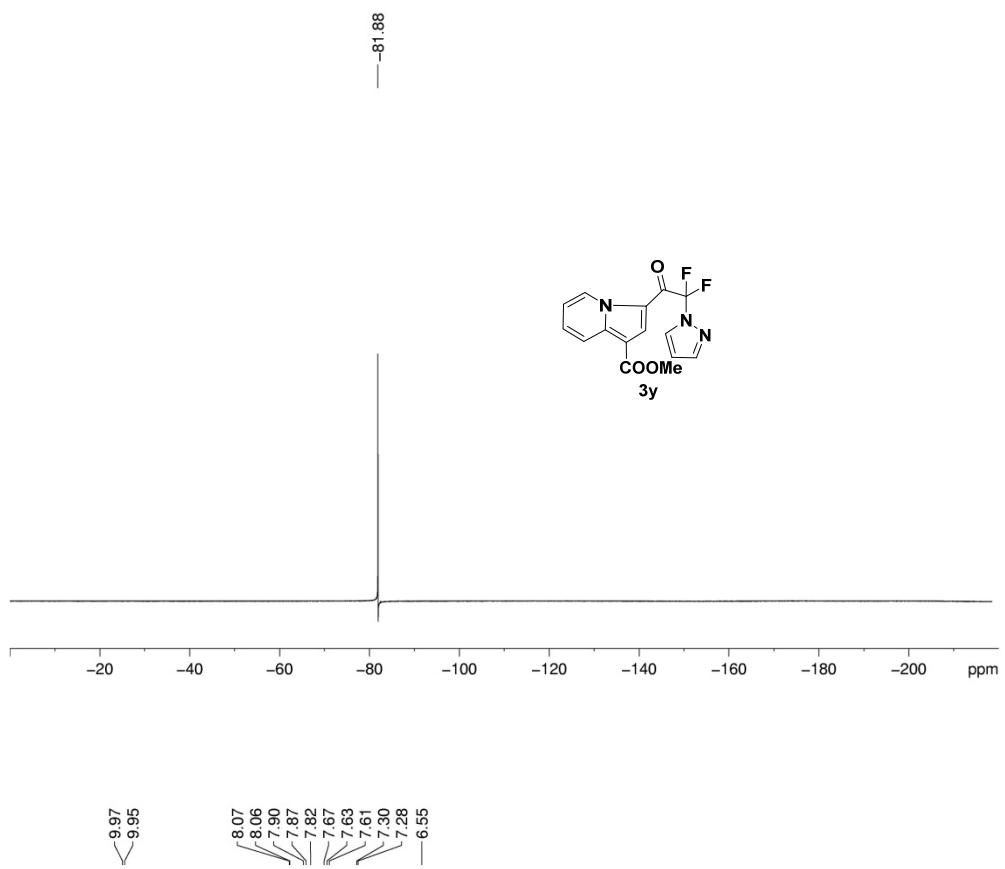


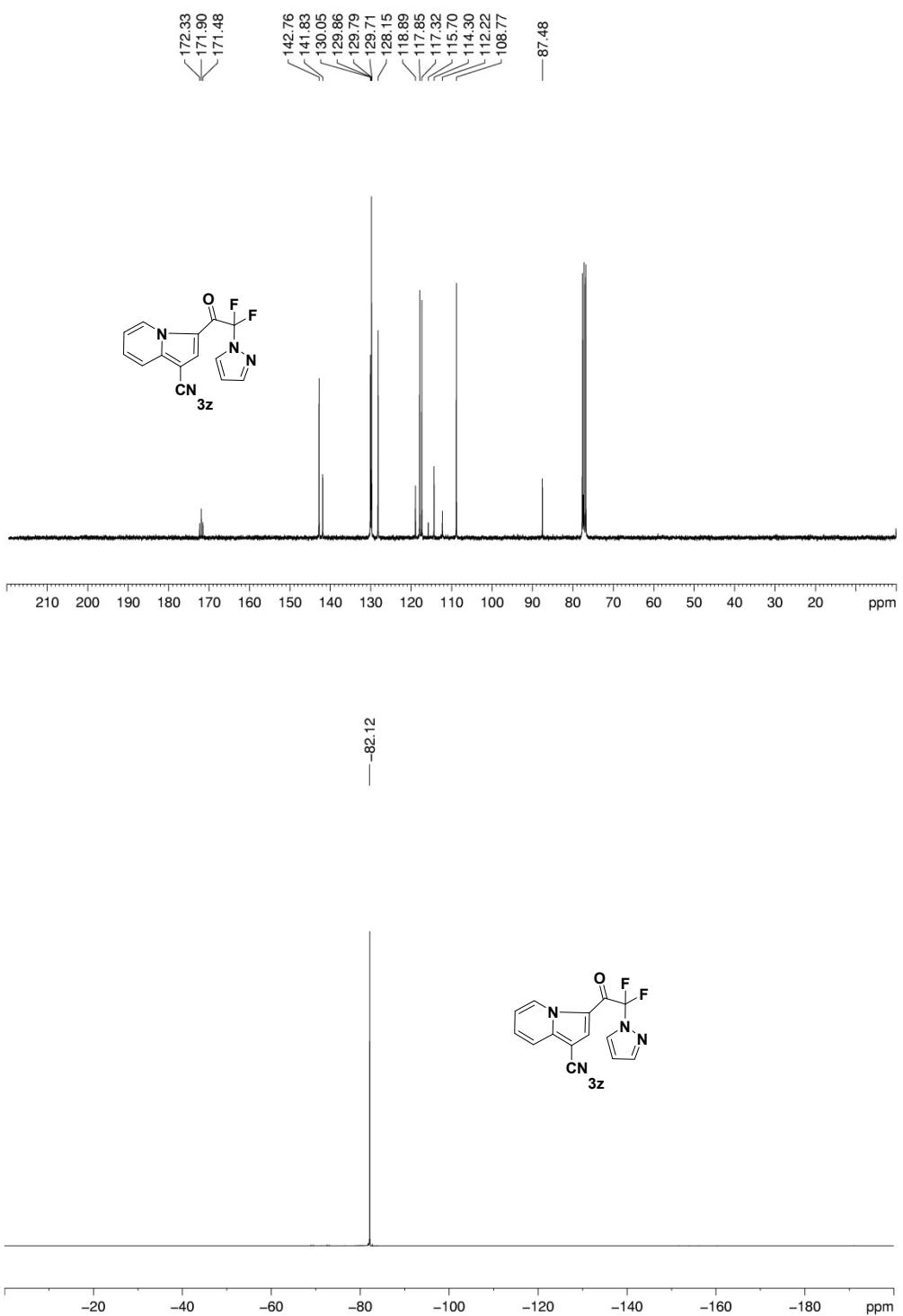


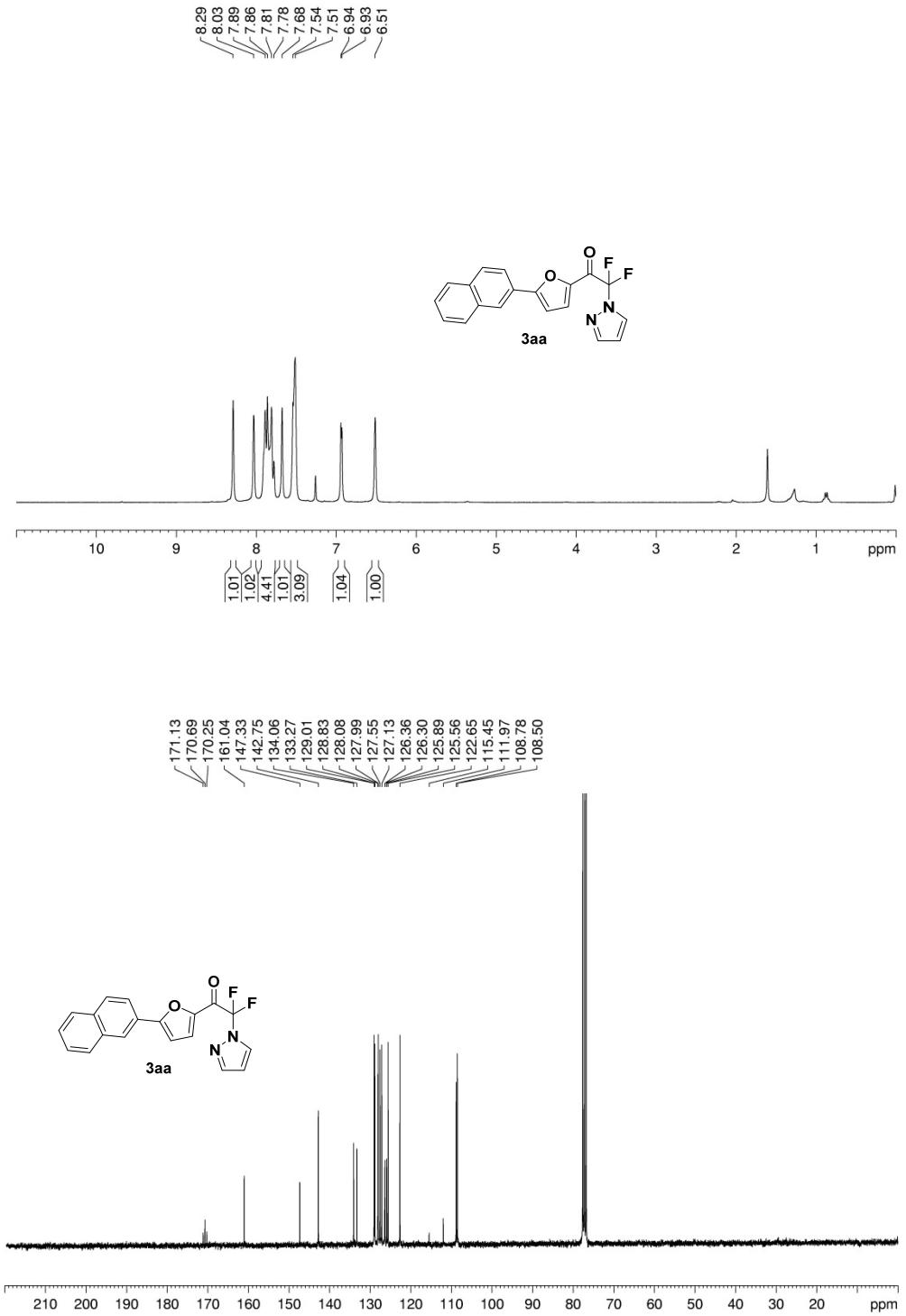


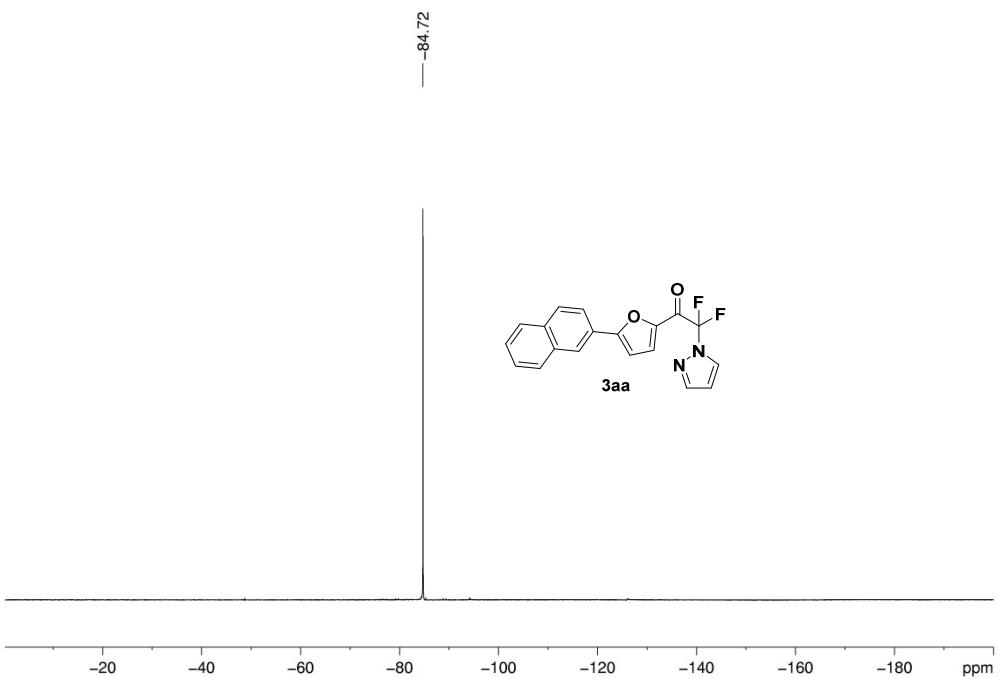




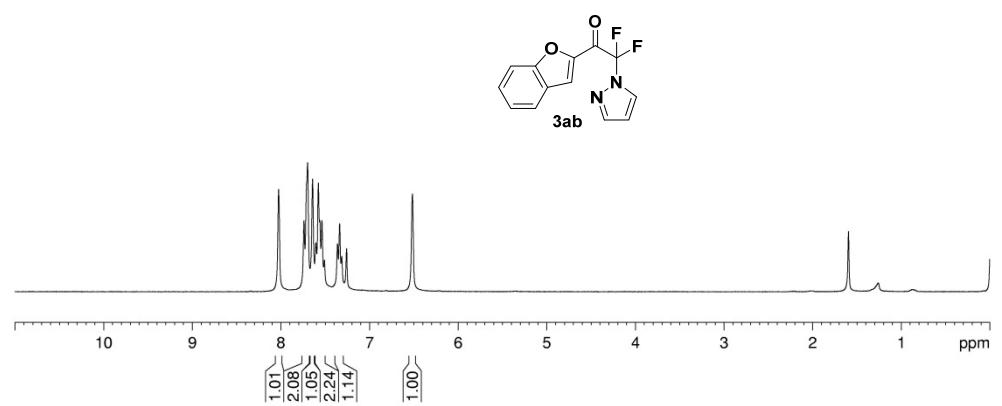


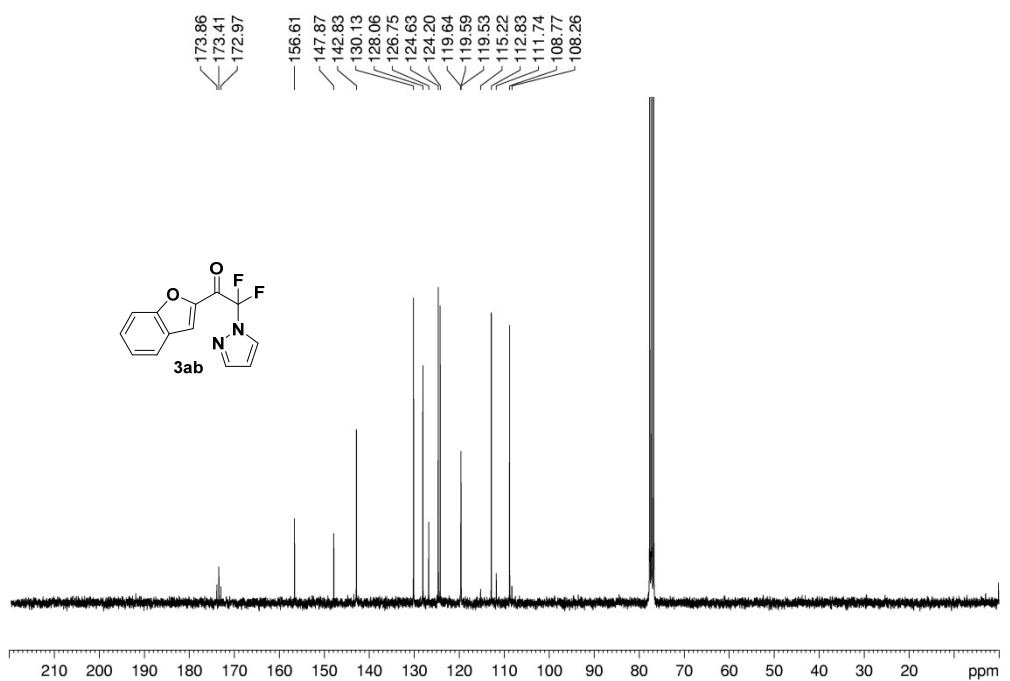


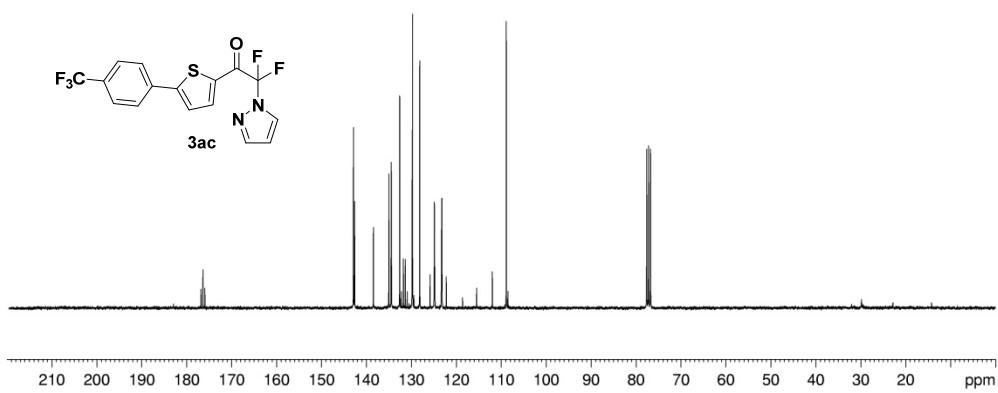
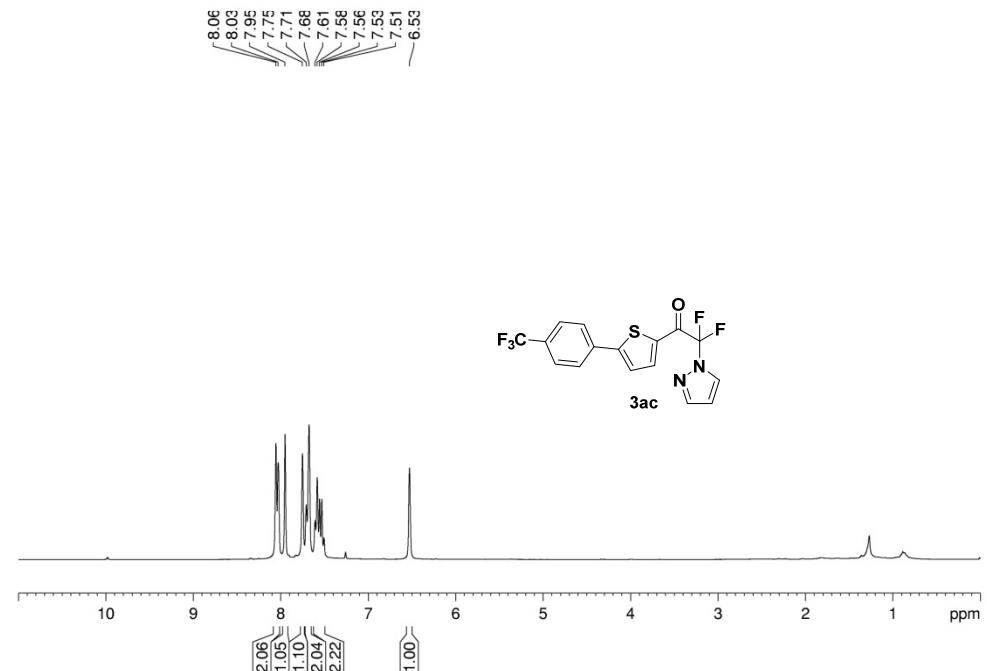


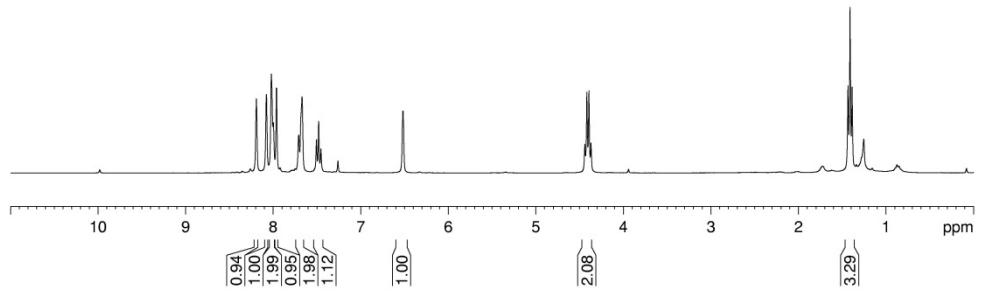
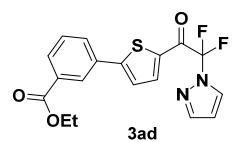
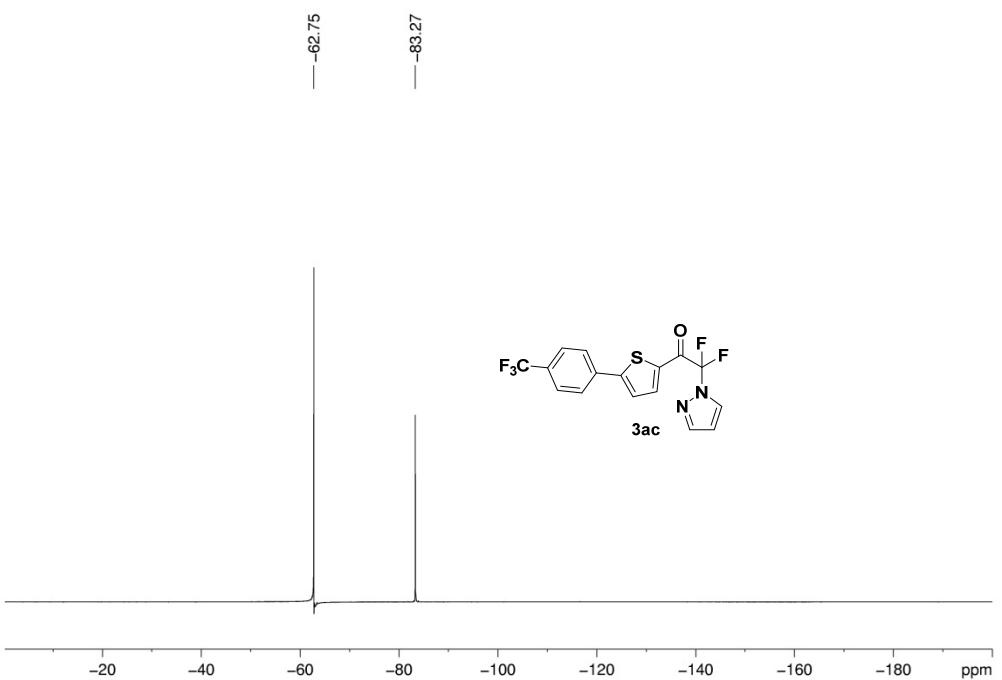


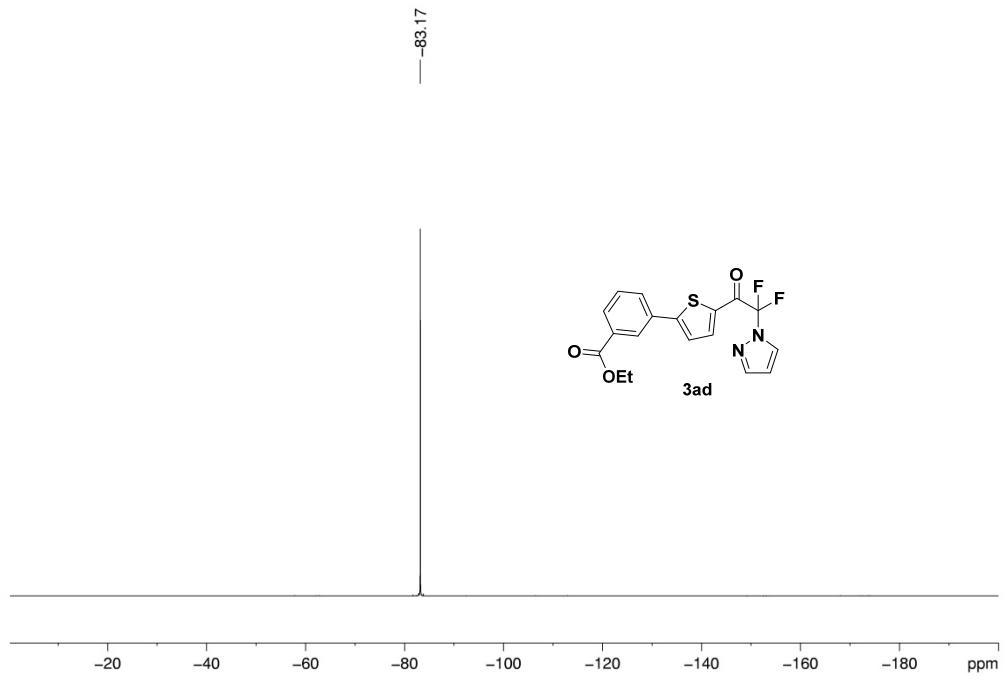
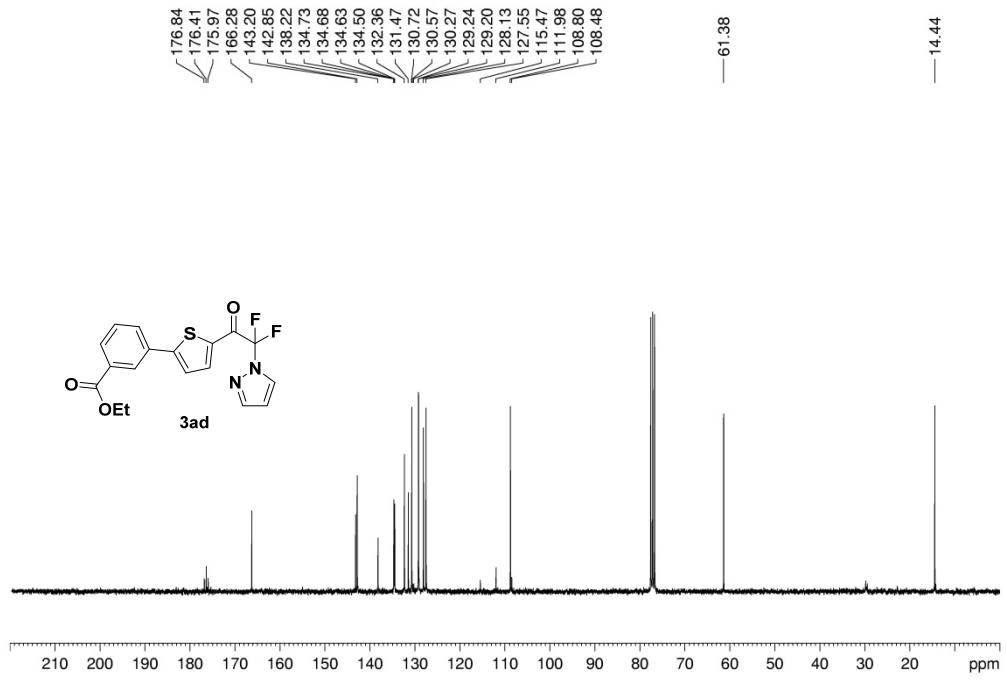
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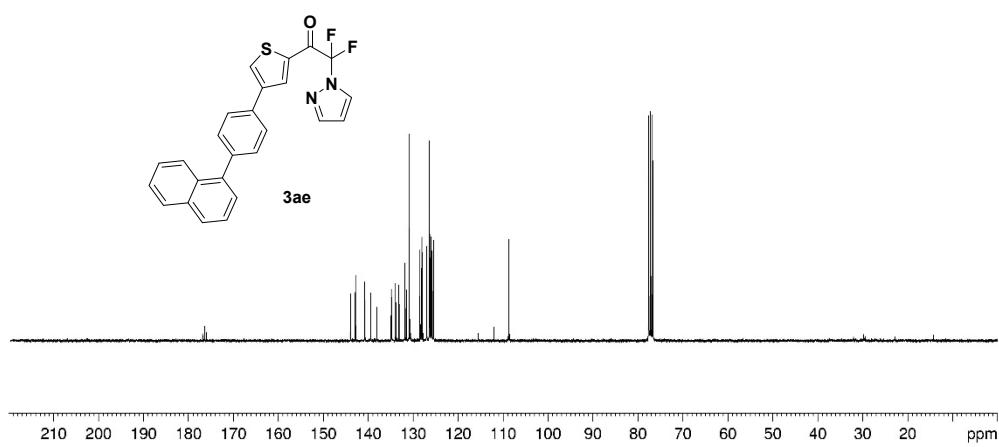
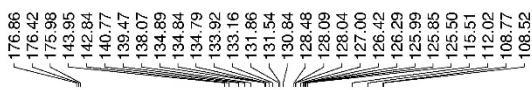
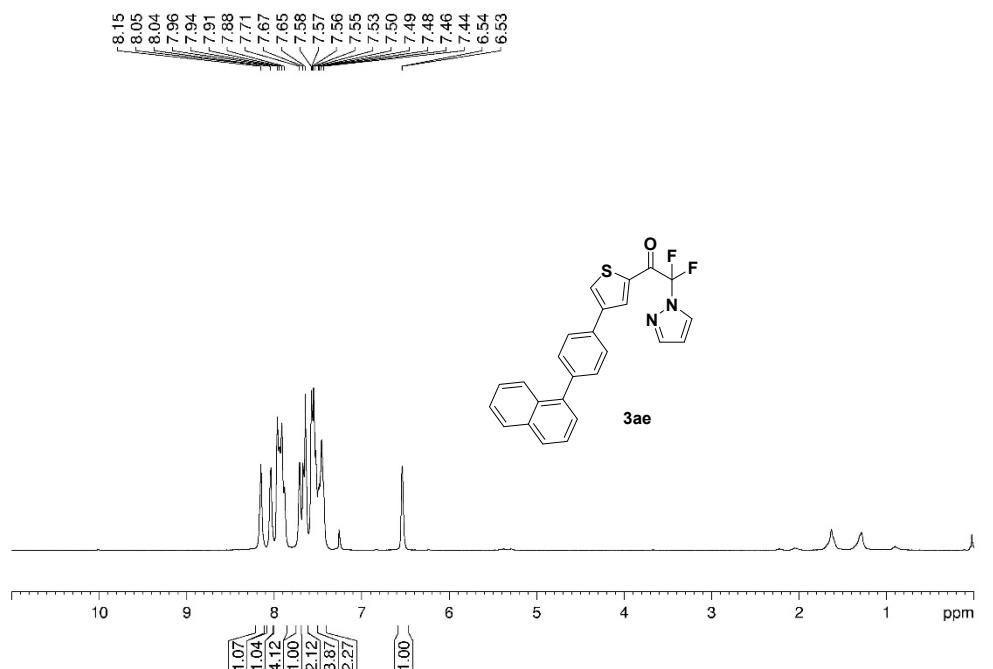


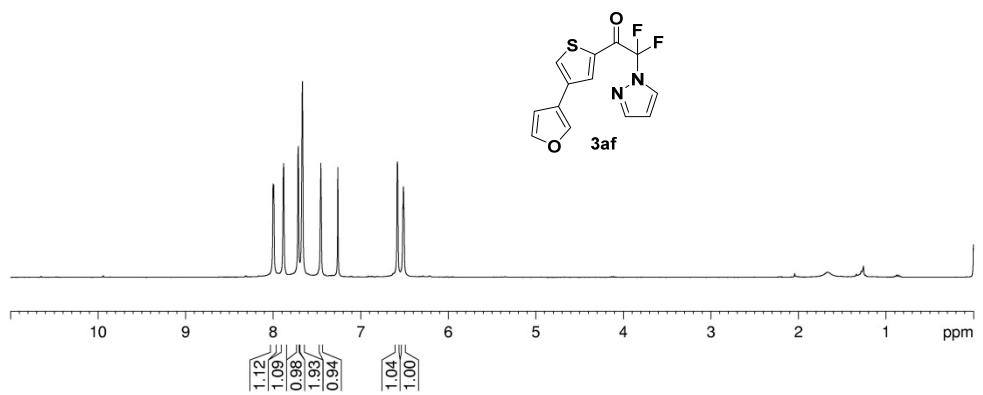
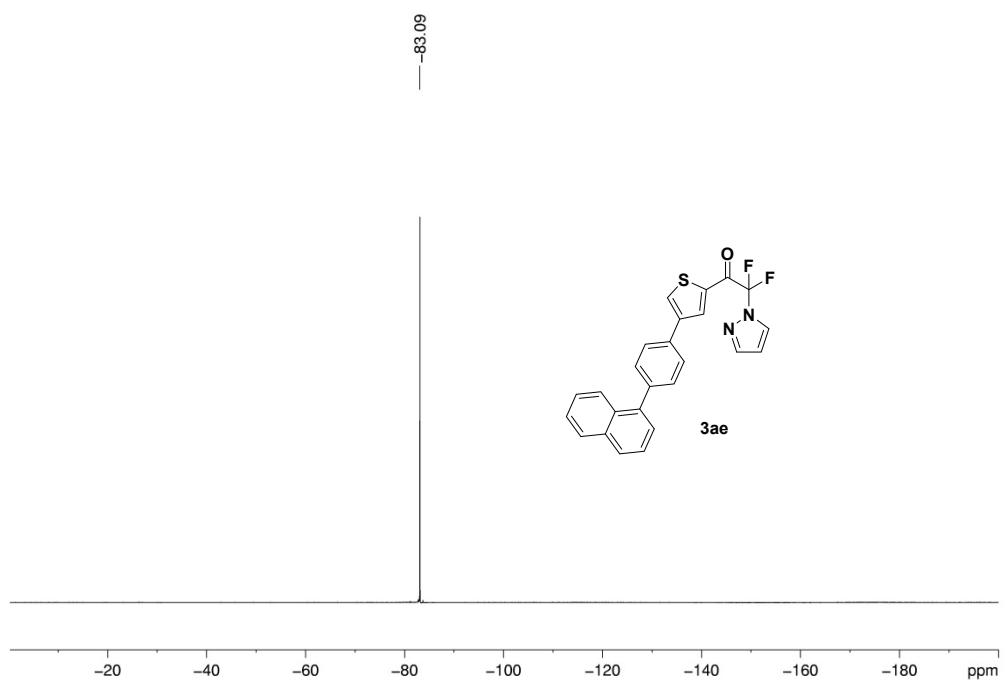


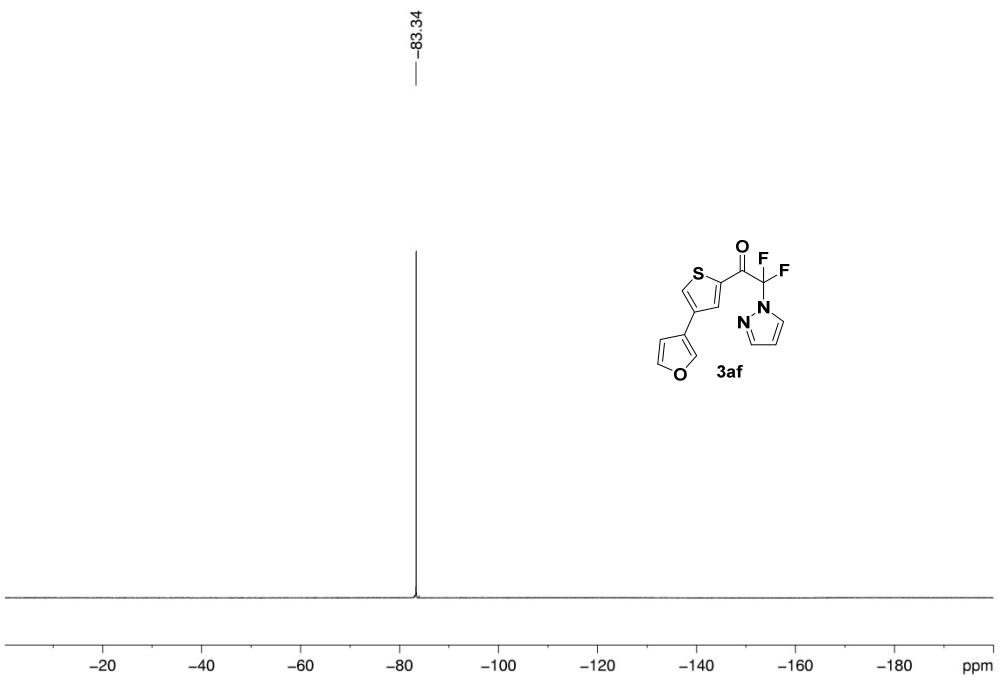
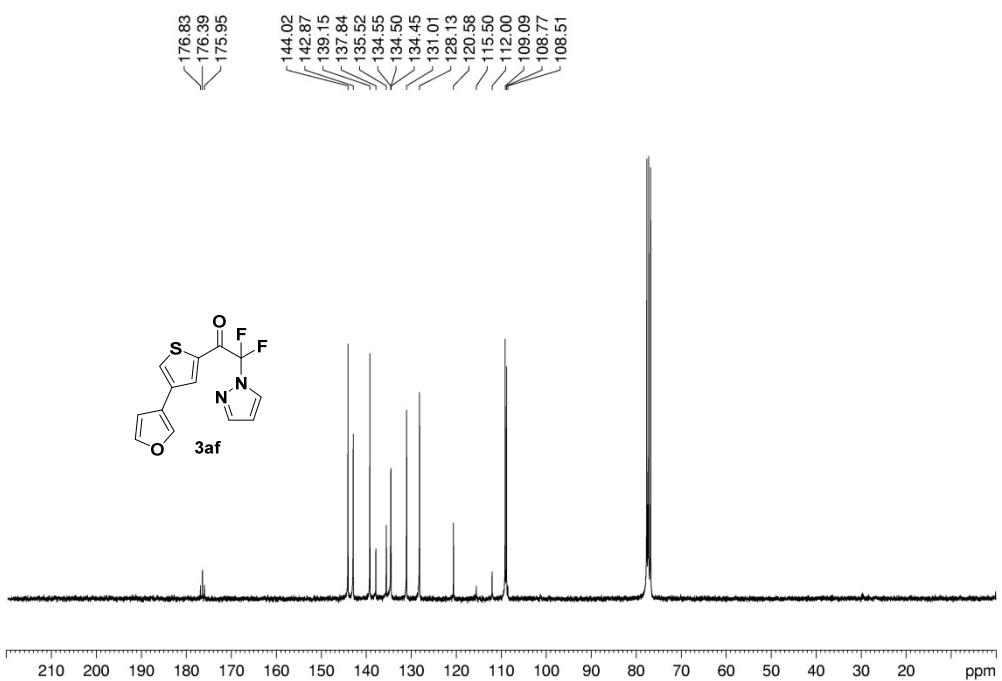


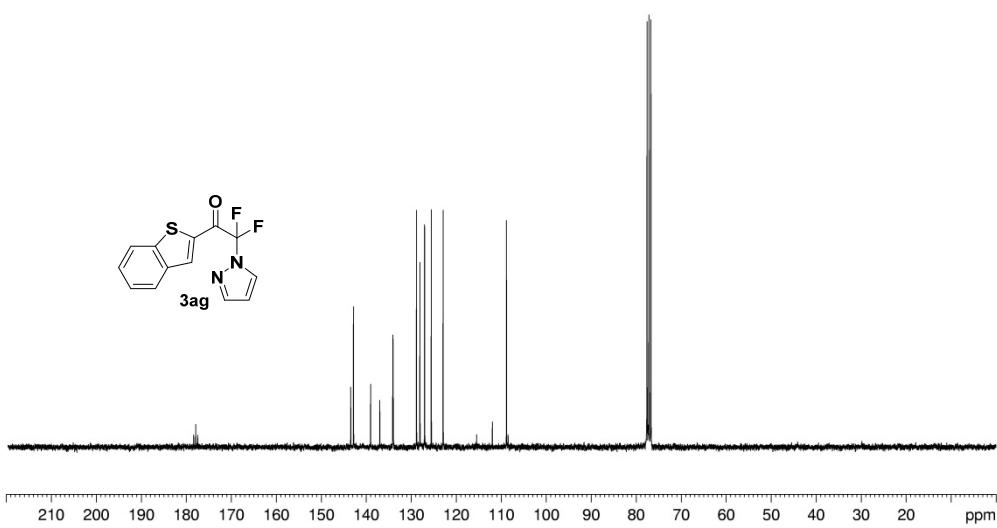
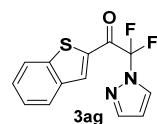
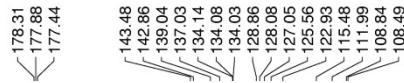
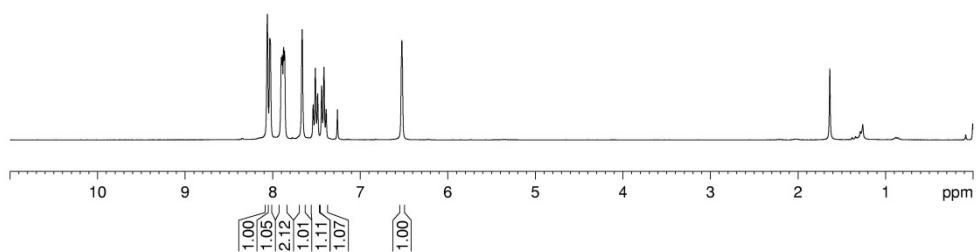
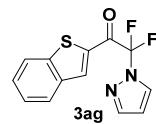


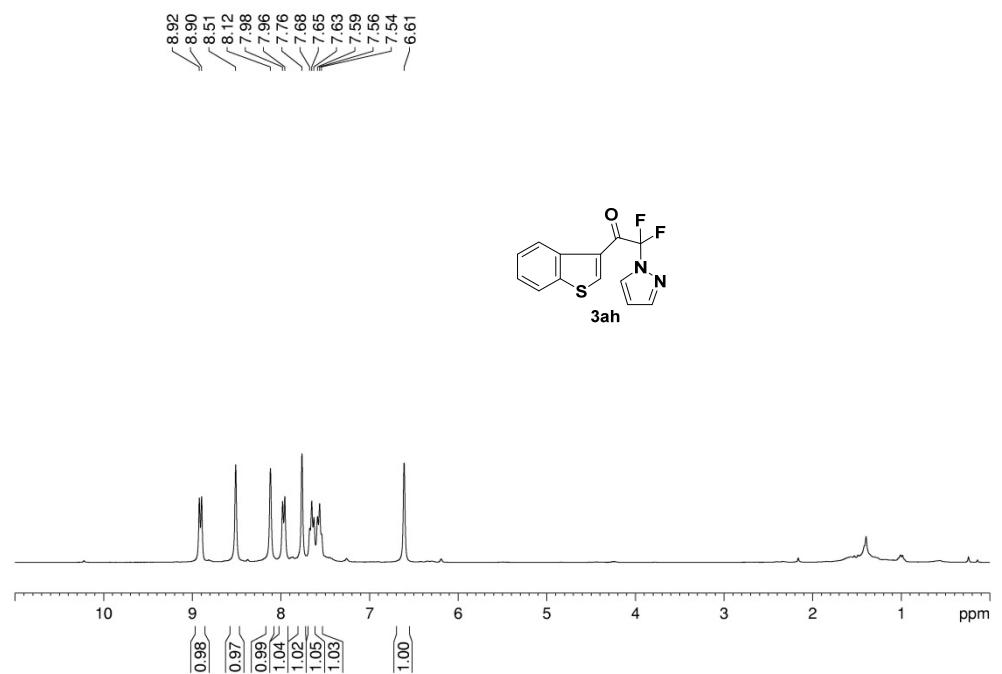
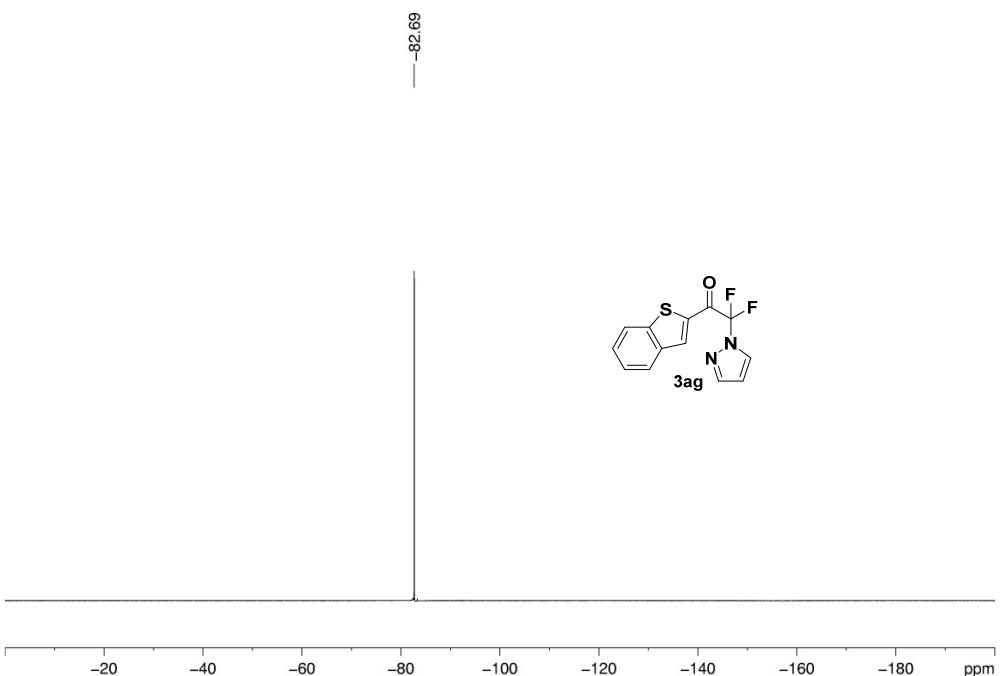


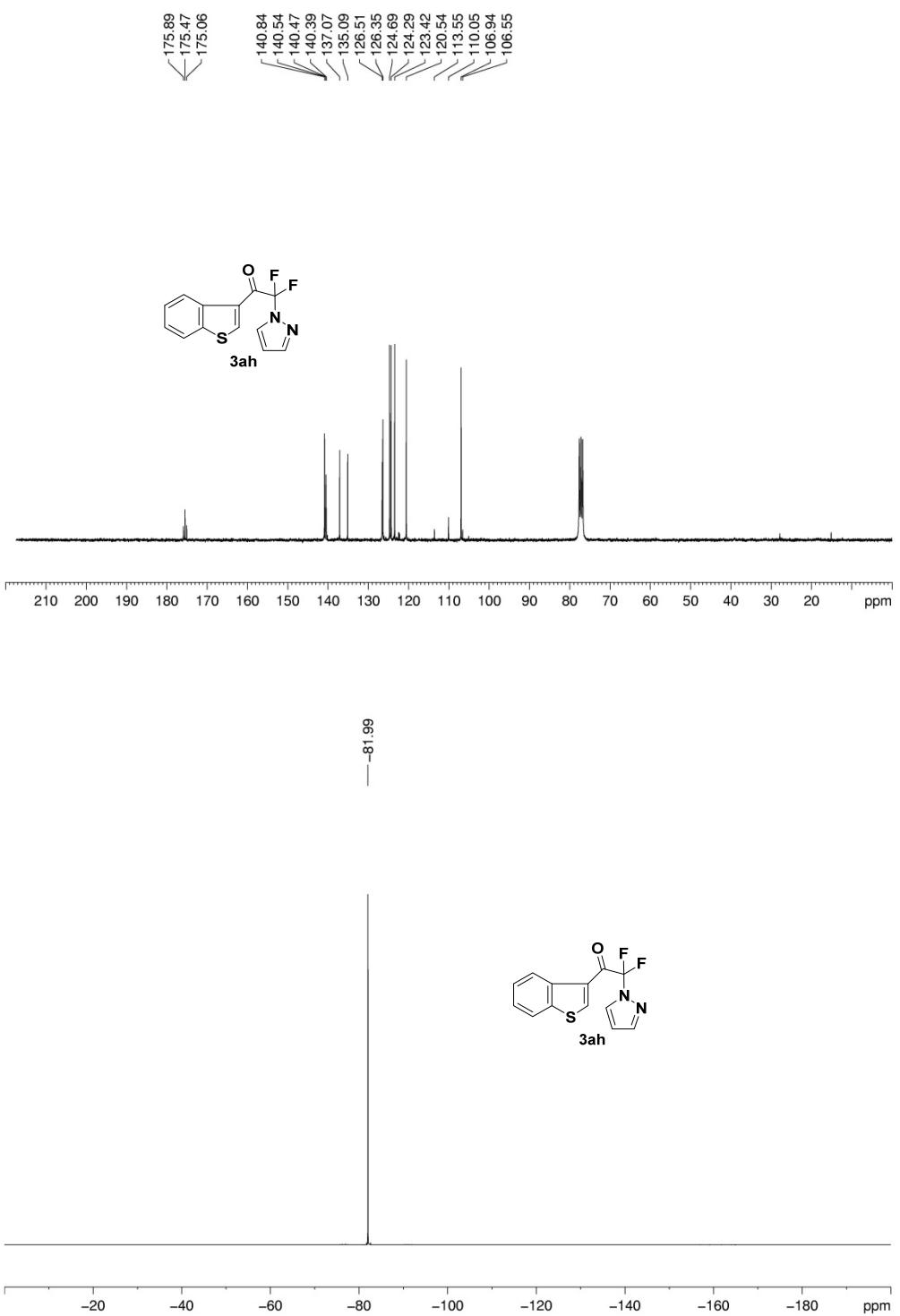


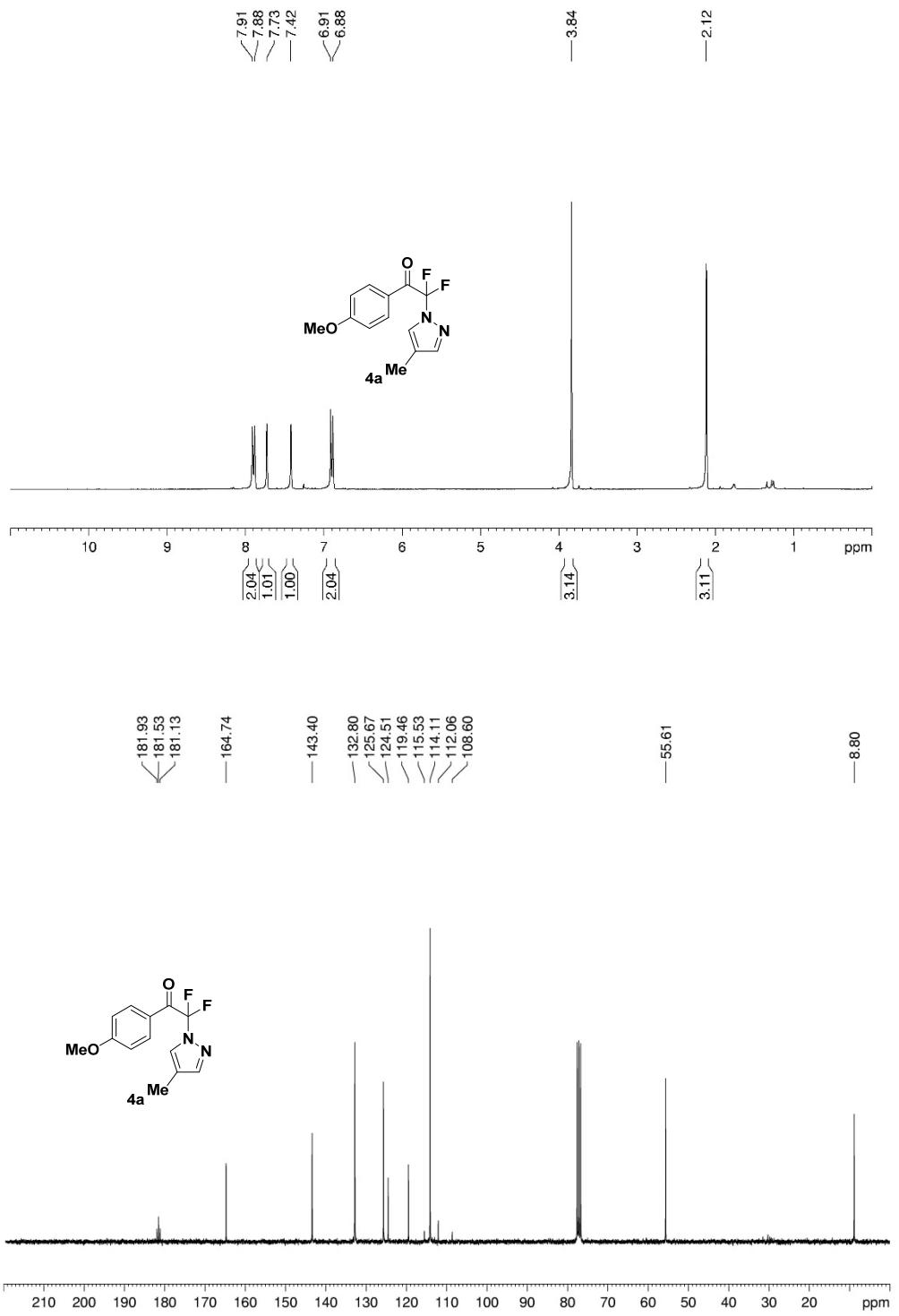


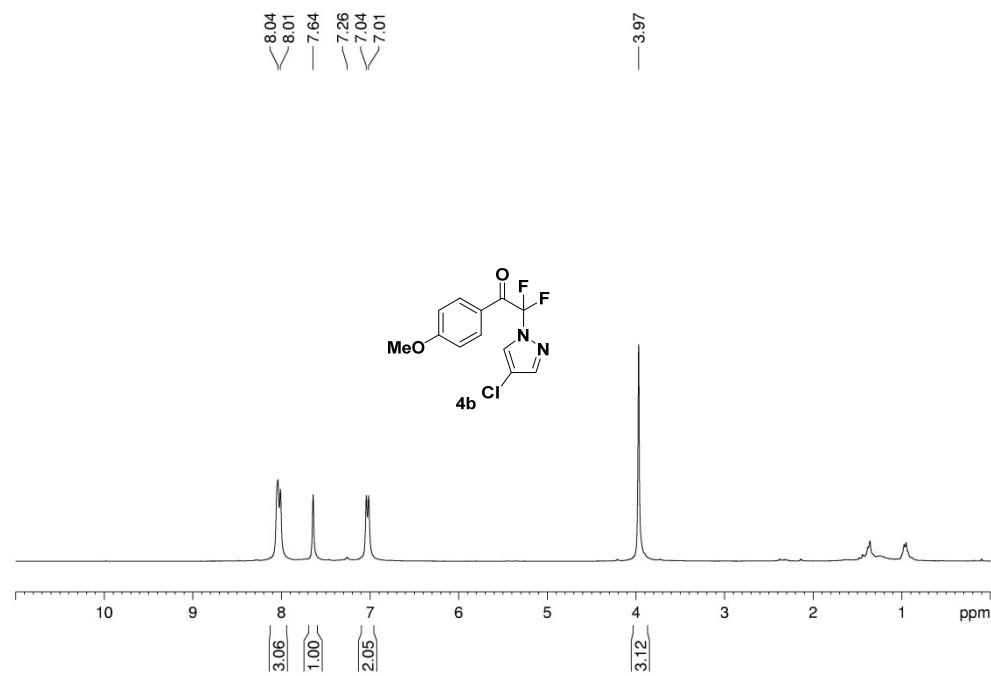
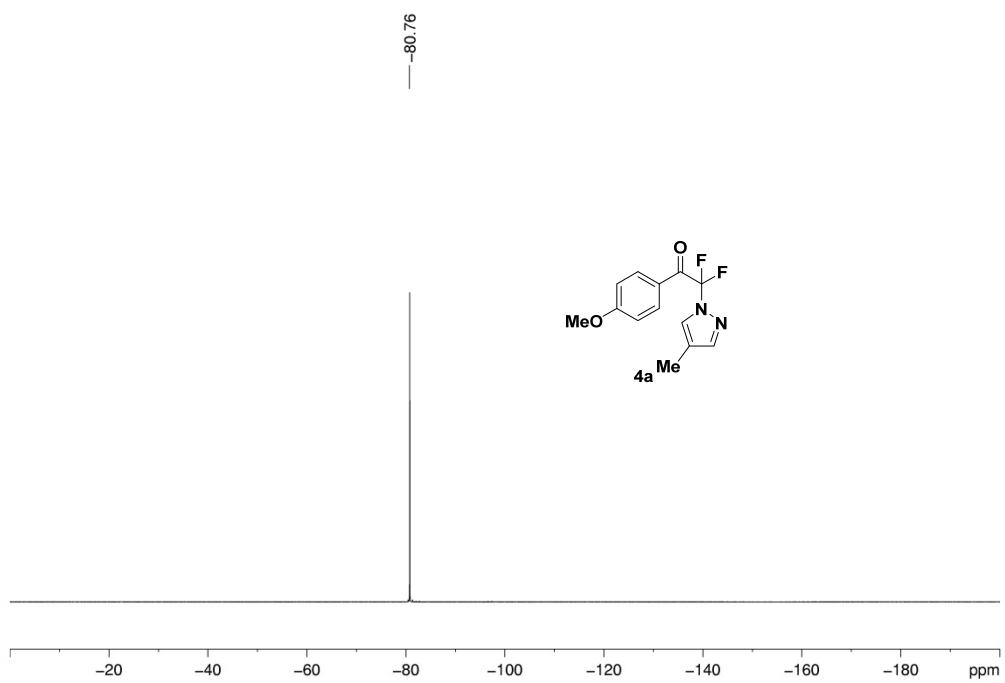


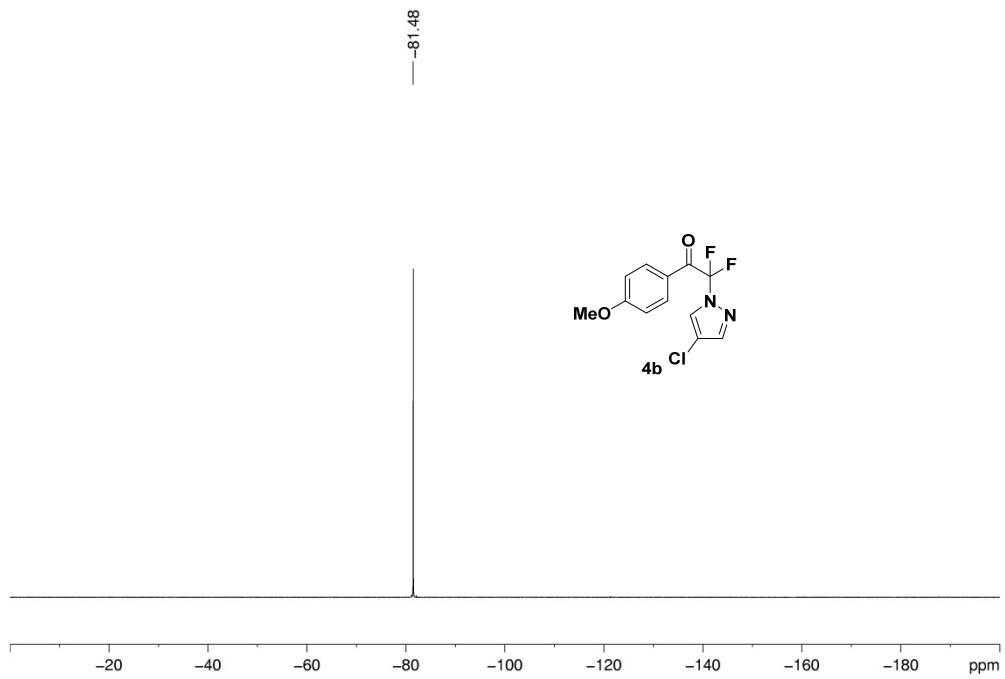
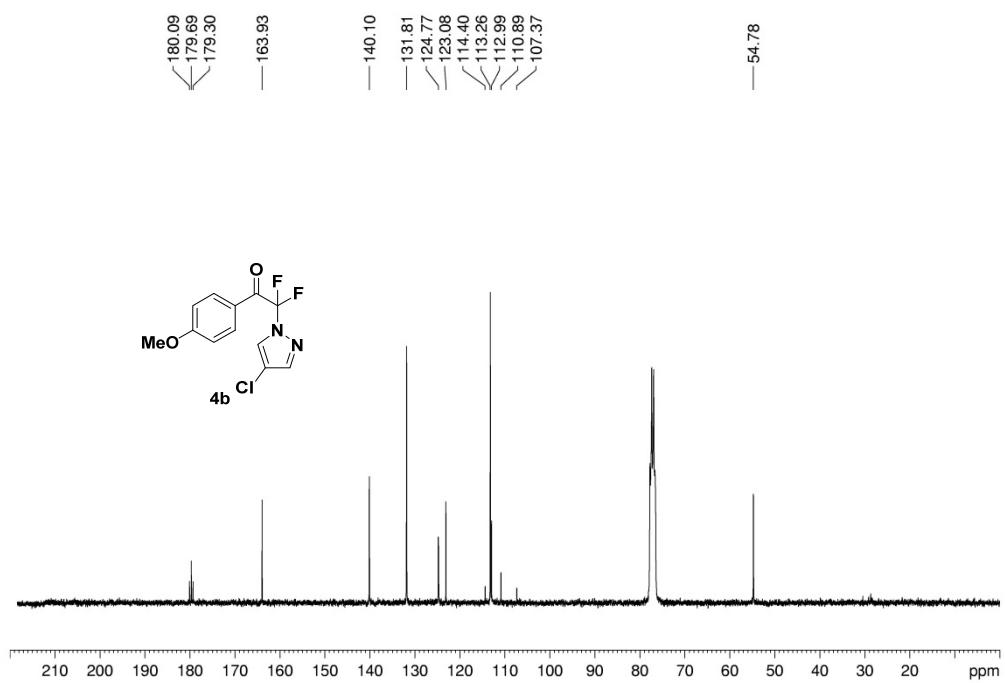


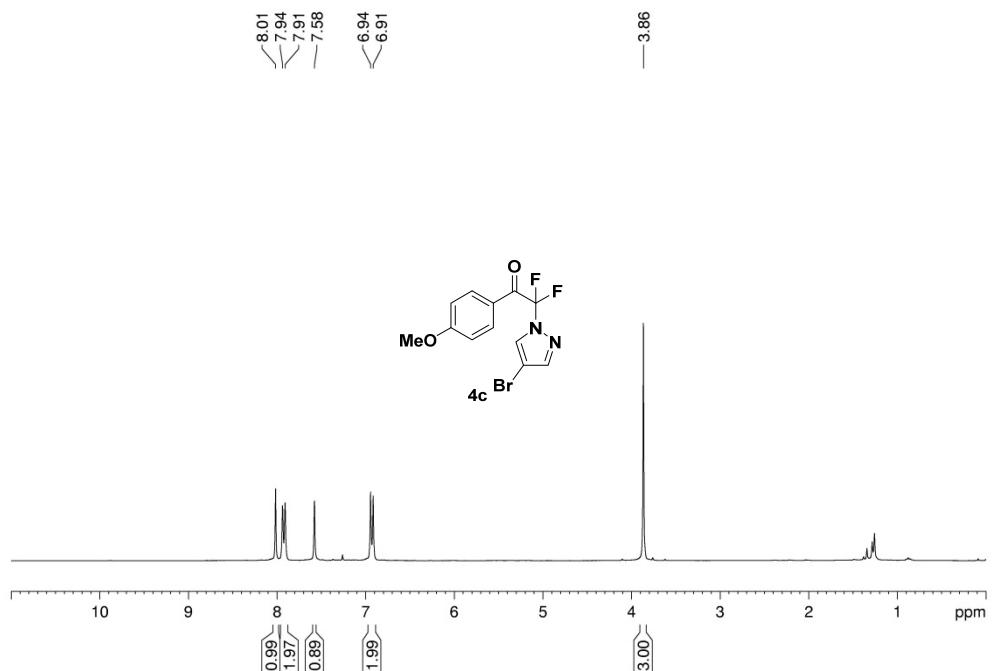












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