

## Copper-Catalyzed [1,3]-Alkoxy Rearrangement for Selective Synthesis of Polycyclic *ortho*-Aminoarenol Derivatives

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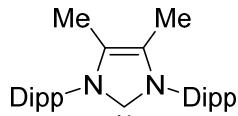
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## 1. General information.

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL JNM-ECS400 (400 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and 100 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C) or JEOL ECA-600 (600 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and 151 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to CHCl<sub>3</sub> (for <sup>1</sup>H, δ 7.26), and CDCl<sub>3</sub> (for <sup>13</sup>C, δ 77.00). <sup>1</sup>H NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, br = broad, m = multiplet) and coupling constants (Hz). Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR- 4100 spectrometer. High-resolution mass spectra analysis was performed on a Bruker Daltonics APEX III FT-ICR-MS spectrometer and Bruker Daltonics solariX FT-ICR-MS spectrometer at the Instrumental Analysis Center for Chemistry, Graduate School of Science, Tohoku University. Flash column chromatography was performed on silica gel 60N (Merck 40-63 μm or Kanto 40-50 μm). Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck precoated TLC plates (silica gel 60 F254). All reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere.

## Materials

Anhydrous acetonitrile, 1,4-dioxane, and toluene were purchased from Fujifilm WAKO and anhydrous PhCl, and DCE were purchased from Aldrich. These solvents were used as received. IPrCuBr,<sup>[1]</sup> SIPrCl,<sup>[2]</sup> and **L1·HCl**<sup>[3]</sup> were prepared in accordance with the literature method. Substrates **1** and **3** were synthesized in accordance with the literature method<sup>[1]</sup>, except for **1I**. AgSbF<sub>6</sub> was purchased from Aldrich.



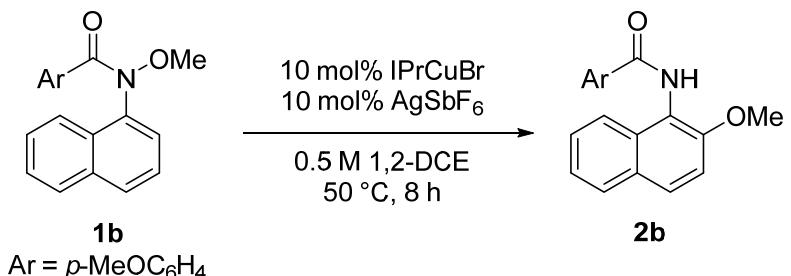
**L1·HCl**  
(Dipp: 2,6-diisopropylphenyl)

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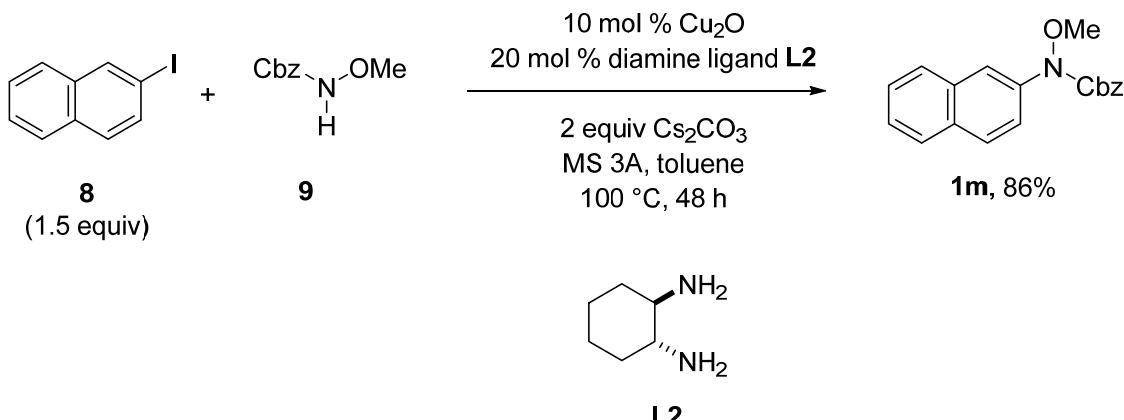
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## 2. Representative procedure for Cu-Catalyzed reaction of 1



To a mixture of **1b** (122.9 mg, 0.4 mmol), IPrCuBr (21.3 mg, 0.04 mmol), and AgSbF<sub>6</sub> (7.79 mg, 0.04 mmol) in a pressure vial was added toluene (0.8 mL) under argon atmosphere. After stirring at 50 °C for 8 h, the reaction mixture was passed through a short pad of silica with EtOAc (50 mL), then the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography using hexane/EtOAc (5/1) as eluent to give pure **2b** (0.388 mmol 119.3 mg, 97%) in an analytically pure form.

### 3. Preparation of **1m** by Cu-catalyzed coupling reaction



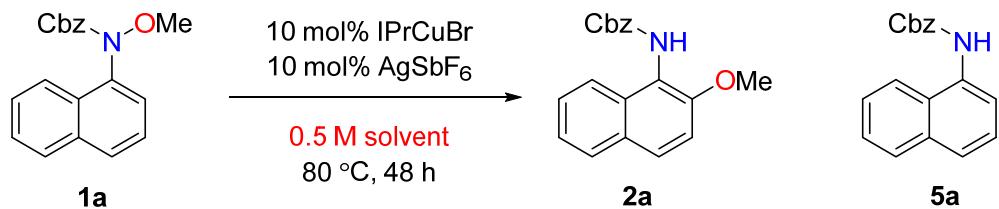
To a mixture of **8**<sup>[4]</sup> (81.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), **9**<sup>[5]</sup> (36.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), Cu<sub>2</sub>O (2.9 mg, 0.02 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (130.3 mg, 0.4 mmol), and MS3A (18 mg) were added *trans*-1,2-diaminocyclohexane **L2** (4.6 mg, 0.04 mmol) and toluene (2 mL) under argon atmosphere. After stirring the solution at 100 °C for 48 h, the reaction mixture was passed through a short pad of celite with EtOAc (50 mL), then the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography using hexane/EtOAc (5/1) as eluent to give pure **1m** (52.9 mg, 0.172 mmol, 86%).

[4] Yang, H.; Li, Y.; Jiang, M.; Wang, J.; Fu, H. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2011**, *17*, 5652.

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#### 4. Optimization of reaction conditions

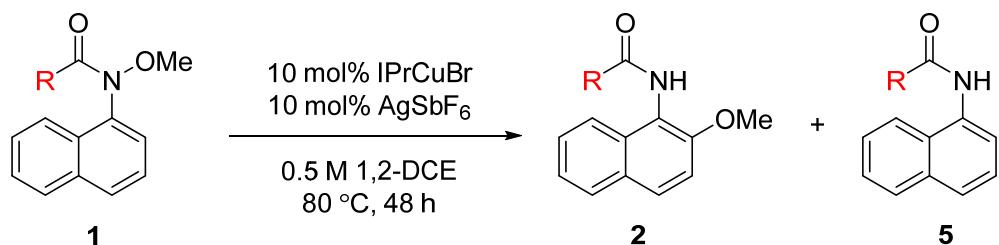
Table S1. Solvent Effect



Entry	Solvent	$\text{2a} (\%)^a$	$\text{5a} (\%)^a$	$\text{1a} (\%)^a$
1	DCE	(84)	(9)	<1
2	1,4-dioxane	72	15	<1
3	toluene	72	12	<1
4	DMF	<1	<1	96
5	MeCN	<1	<1	96

<sup>a</sup>  $^1\text{H}$  NMR yields using  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  as the internal standard. Isolated yield in a parenthesis.

Table S2. Effect of the protective group



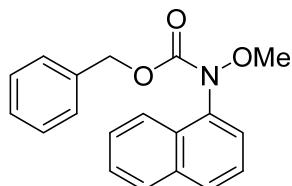
Entry	R	Yield (%) <sup>a</sup>	<b>5</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>	<b>1</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>
1	3,4,5-MeOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	(93)	(3)	<1
<b>2</b>	<b>4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (1b)</b>	<b>(2b, 93)</b>	<b>trace</b>	<b>&lt;1</b>
3	Ph	85	trace	<1
4	4-F <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	86	4	<1
5	BnO ( <b>1a</b> )	(2a, 84)	(9)	<1

<sup>a</sup> <sup>1</sup>H NMR yields using CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub> as the internal standard. Isolated yield in a parenthesis.

## 5. Gram-scale experiment



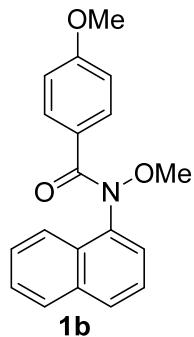
## 6. Analytical data of substrates 1 and 3



**1a**

**Benzyl methoxy(naphthalen-1-yl)carbamate (1a).** Dark red oil.  $R_f = 0.37$  [hexane/EtOAc = 3:1 (v/v)].

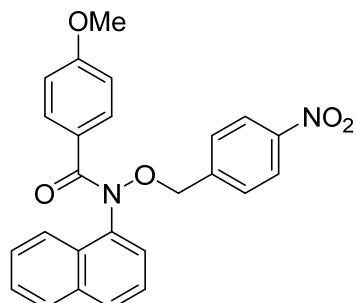
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.80 (s, 3H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 7.23 (, 2H), 7.28-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.88 (dd, 2H) 7.93 (dd, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  62.0, 67.6, 123.0, 125.0, 125.9, 126.2, 126.9, 127.7, 127.9, 128.0, 128.2, 129.5, 130.1, 134.3, 135.3, 135.8, 155.7. IR (neat) 3062, 2966, 2933, 2894, 2811, 1726, 1597, 1508, 1497, 1455, 1440, 1397, 1315, 1266, 1237, 1214, 1176, 1091, 1055, 1006, 934, 905, 864, 803  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  330.1101, found 330.1101.



**1b**

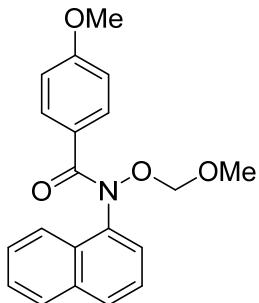
**N,N-Dimethoxy-N-(naphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (1b).** Brown solid.  $M_p: 141.8 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ .  $R_f = 0.21$  [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.74 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 6.70 (d, 2H), 7.30 (br, 1H), 7.38 (t, 1H), 7.52 (d, 2H), 7.56 (t, 1H), 7.62 (t, 1H), 7.86 (d, 1H), 7.90 (d, 1H), 8.21 (d, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  55.2, 60.9, 113.2, 123.5, 125.0, 126.1, 126.7, 127.4, 128.3, 129.7, 130.3, 130.4, 134.6, 135.7, 161.5, 168.5. IR (neat) 3040, 3004, 2977, 2936, 2841, 2360, 1653, 1604, 1576, 1510, 1458, 1435, 1417, 1392, 1380, 1350, 1338, 1306, 1255, 1180, 1158, 1140, 1111, 1030, 1015, 989, 947, 934, 909, 885, 867, 842, 816  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  330.1101, found 330.1101.



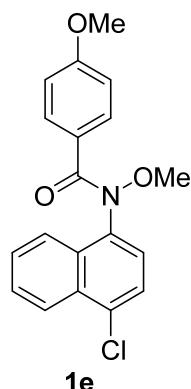
**1c**

**4-Methoxy-N-(naphthalen-1-yl)-N-[(4-nitrobenzyl)oxy]benzamide (1c).** Brown solid. Mp: 141.9°C. Rf = 0.19 [hexane/EtOAc = 3:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.73 (s, 3H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.25 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.2, 74.1, 113.3, 123.4, 123.5, 125.0, 125.8, 126.9, 127.5, 127.6, 128.5, 129.5, 130.0, 130.3, 130.4, 134.6, 136.3, 142.3, 147.8, 161.7, 169.0. IR (neat) 3062, 3011, 2935, 2840, 1663, 1605, 1521, 1346, 1256, 1174 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 451.1264, found 451.1264.



**1d**

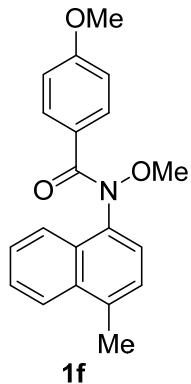
**4-Methoxy-N-(methoxymethoxy)-N-(naphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (1d).** Colorless liquid. Rf = 0.27 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.70(s, 3H), 5.06(s, 2H), 6.64(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.40(t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.55(m, 4H), 7.60(dt, J = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85(t, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 8.24(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.2, 57.0, 99.2, 113.1, 123.3, 125.1, 126.3, 126.6, 127.4, 128.2, 128.3, 129.8, 130.4, 130.6, 134.5, 137.3, 161.4, 169.8. IR (neat) 3055, 2934, 2837, 1661, 1604, 1576, 1509, 1462, 1441, 1416, 1395, 1304, 1253, 1212, 1173, 1155, 1110, 1084, 1028, 961, 922, 881, 839, 804, 774, 735, 703, 665, 607 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 360.1206, found 360.1206.



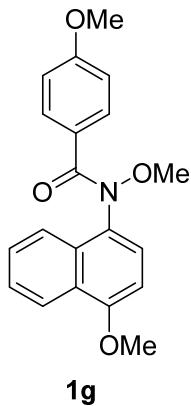
**1e**

**N-(4-Chloronaphthalen-1-yl)-N,4-dimethoxybenzamide (1e).** Orange oil. Rf = 0.57 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 6.72 (s, 2H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.68 (m, 5H), 8.14-8.33 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 56.1, 60.9, 113.20, 113.23, 122.7, 124.0, 125.0, 125.3, 125.7, 126.0, 127.0, 127.8, 128.1, 130.4, 133.3, 161.6, 168.6. IR (neat) 3006, 2967, 2933, 2900, 2839, 1659, 1605, 1509, 1457, 1441, 1418, 1382, 1331, 1305, 1254, 1219, 1173, 1111, 1028, 1001, 962,

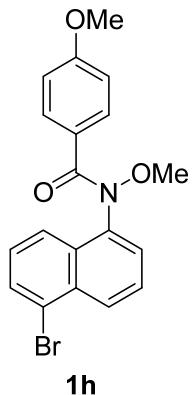
928, 892, 839 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>CINO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 364.0711, found 364.0711.



**N,4-Dimethoxy-N-(4-methylnaphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (1f).** Dark red oil. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.28 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.67 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 6.65 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.63 (m, 3H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 19.4, 55.0, 60.5, 121.7, 123.9, 124.5, 125.6, 125.8, 126.1, 126.4, 126.9, 127.1, 130.1, 130.2, 133.5, 133.9, 136.5, 161.3, 168.4. IR (neat) 3003, 2970, 2933, 2899, 2839, 2349, 2309, 1658, 1605, 1577, 1510, 1462, 1441, 1419, 1391, 1338, 1305, 1220, 1173, 1111, 1078, 1027, 998, 973, 876, 840 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 344.1257, found 344.1257.

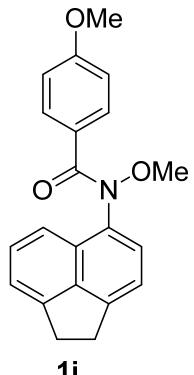


**N,4-Dimethoxy-N-(4-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (1g).** Dark red oil. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.24 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 6.66 (m, 3H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.63 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.3, 55.8, 60.6, 102.7, 113.2, 122.6, 123.4, 126.1, 126.5, 127.4, 128.0, 128.3, 128.6, 130.4, 131.4, 156.5, 161.4. IR (neat) 3004, 2965, 2934, 2901, 2840, 1653, 1605, 1579, 1510, 1463, 1442, 1423, 1390, 1329, 1304, 1281, 1252, 1238, 1172, 1139, 1110, 1096, 1072, 1025, 998, 982, 961, 906, 876, 839, 817 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 360.1206, found 360.1206.



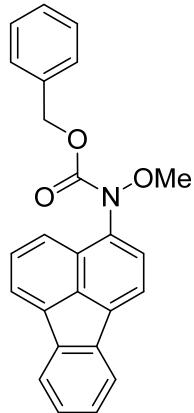
**1h**

**N-(5-Bromonaphthalen-1-yl)-N,4-dimethoxybenzamide (1h).** Pink solid. Mp: 92.0 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 6.72 (s, 2H), 7.30-7.51 (m, 5H), 7.86 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.2, 60.9, 113.3, 123.2, 123.6, 125.8, 126.3, 127.6, 128.0, 128.9, 130.5, 130.9, 131.7, 133.1, 136.1, 161.7, 168.6. IR (neat) 3069, 3014, 2962, 2930, 2893, 2838, 1659, 1636, 1603, 1569, 1507, 1454, 1439, 1417, 1393, 1355, 1309, 1255, 1220, 1171, 1140, 1106, 1073, 1028, 1016, 1006, 973, 875, 844 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrNO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 330.1101, found 330.1101.



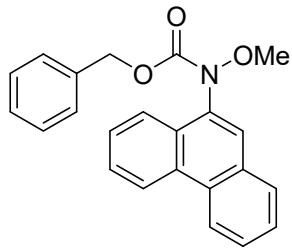
**1i**

**N-(1,2-Dihydroacenaphthylen-5-yl)-N,4-dimethoxybenzamide (1i).** Brown oil. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.37 (dd, 2H), 3.44 (dd, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 6.68 (br, 2H), 7.16-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.61 (m, 3H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 30.0, 30.6, 55.0, 60.6, 112.9, 118.4, 118.7, 120.0, 126.2, 128.4, 128.9, 129.1, 130.3, 131.7, 140.3, 146.2, 147.9, 161.2, 168.4. IR (neat) 3006, 2963, 2931, 2838, 2810, 1652, 1605, 1577, 1509, 1460, 1440, 1417, 1406, 1370, 1333, 1304, 1254, 1214, 1173, 1110, 1053, 1025, 973, 886, 837, 805 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 356.1257, found 356.1257.



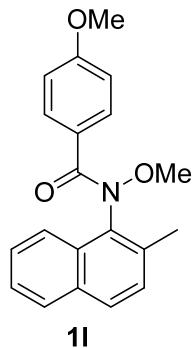
**1j**

**Benzyl fluoranthen-3-yl(methoxy)carbamate (1j).** Dark red oil.  $R_f = 0.62$  [hexane/EtOAc = 3:1 (v/v)].  
 $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.83 (s, 3H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 7.28-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.37-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.85-7.92 (m, 5H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  62.3, 68.0, 119.6, 120.5, 121.65, 121.74, 123.3, 127.1, 127.2, 127.8, 127.95, 127.99, 128.1, 128.4, 128.8, 133.4, 135.4, 135.8, 137.1, 138.0, 138.7, 139.9, 155.7. IR (neat) 3320, 3060, 3034, 2964, 2933, 2894, 1725, 1610, 1537, 1492, 1475, 1452, 1403, 1388, 1322, 1270, 1236, 1213, 1153, 1094, 1022, 1007, 938, 909, 843, 822  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  404.1257, found 404.1257.

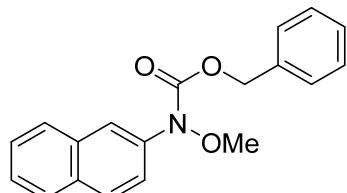


**1k**

**Benzyl methoxy(phenanthren-9-yl)carbamate (1k).** Dark red oil.  $R_f = 0.41$  [hexane/EtOAc = 3:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.86 (s, 3H), 5.24 (s, 2H), 7.24-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.60-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 8.69 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 8.72 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  62.2, 67.9, 122.7, 122.9, 124.0, 127.0, 127.1, 127.2, 127.4, 127.8, 127.9, 128.1, 128.4, 128.9, 129.1, 130.7, 131.0, 131.5, 133.9, 136.9, 156.1. IR (neat) 2934, 2369, 1730, 1603, 1527, 1496, 1453, 1396, 1453, 1396, 1332, 1297, 1226, 1151, 1095, 1009, 896  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  380.1257, found 380.1257.

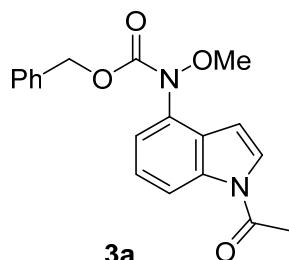


**N,4-Dimethoxy-N-(2-methylnaphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (1l).** Colorless solid. Mp: 92.0 °C. Rf = 0.35 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.23 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 6.52 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (br, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 18.7, 55.1, 60.9, 113.0, 123.5, 125.9, 126.0, 127.6, 128.1, 128.6, 129.7, 129.8, 130.9, 131.3, 133.1, 135.0, 161.3, 168.0. IR (neat) 3274, 3056, 3009, 2977, 2934, 2840, 1643, 1606, 1576, 1512, 1458, 1436, 1416, 1386, 1367, 1354, 1333, 1308, 1254, 1191, 1179, 1160, 1150, 1140, 1111, 1097, 1035, 1012, 990, 872, 843, 822 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 344.1257, found 344.1257.



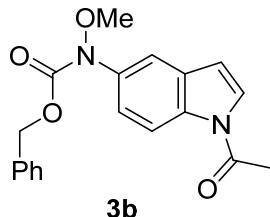
**1m**

**Benzyl methoxy(naphthalen-2-yl)carbamate (1m).** Brown oil. Rf = 0.62 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.81 (s, 3H), 5.32 (s, 2H), 7.33-7.50 (m, 8H), 7.65 (dd, J = 2.1, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.81-7.85 (m, 3H), 7.91 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 62.4, 68.0, 119.5, 121.2, 127.6, 127.9, 128.1, 128.3, 128.5, 128.6, 131.5, 133.3, 135.8, 136.9, 154.3. IR (neat) 3060, 3034, 2935, 2895, 2815, 1715, 1632, 1599, 1509, 1467, 1390, 1362, 1315, 1270, 1105, 1038, 957, 886, 857, 816 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 330.1100, found 330.1100.

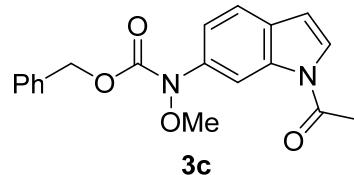


**Benzyl (1-acetyl-1H-indol-4-yl)(methoxy)carbamate (3a).** Yellow solid. Mp: 86.3 °C. Rf = 0.35 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.65 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 6.66 (d,

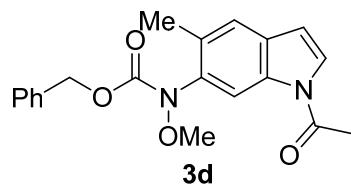
*J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.41 (m, 5H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  24.0, 62.3, 67.9, 107.4, 116.5, 121.1, 125.1, 125.6, 126.7, 128.0, 128.2, 128.5, 131.3, 135.8, 136.5, 154.9, 168.6. IR (neat) 3163, 3113, 3068, 2968, 2935, 1732, 1708, 1535, 1482, 1428, 1392, 1369, 1323, 1310, 1260, 1221, 1179, 1165, 1098, 1055, 1031, 952, 933, 914, 891, 863, 822  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  361.1159, found 361.1159.



**Benzyl (1-acetyl-1H-indol-5-yl)(methoxy)carbamate (3b).** Colorless solid. Mp: 63.4 °C.  $R_f$  = 0.38 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.65 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  23.85, 62.15, 67.88, 109.17, 115.63, 116.64, 120.80, 126.19, 128.03, 128.21, 128.53, 130.61, 133.80, 135.30, 135.92, 154.62, 168.47. IR (neat) 3019, 2976, 2923, 1707, 1613, 1584, 1540, 1466, 1382, 1319, 1278, 1263, 1236, 1214, 1184, 1090, 1029, 983, 933, 881  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  361.1159, found 361.1159.

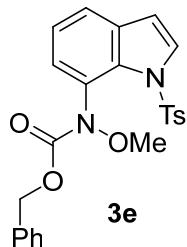


**Benzyl (1-acetyl-1H-indol-6-yl)(methoxy)carbamate (3c).** Orange solid. Mp: 91.4 °C.  $R_f$  = 0.36 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.64 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.40 (m, 6H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  23.9, 62.2, 67.9, 108.8, 112.4, 120.0, 120.7, 126.1, 128.0, 128.1, 128.5, 129.0, 135.3, 135.9, 136.7, 154.6, 168.5. IR (neat) 2979, 2921, 1720, 1698, 1530, 1481, 1437, 1388, 1366, 1330, 1299, 1220, 1090, 1026, 931, 916, 885, 833  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  361.1159, found 361.1159.

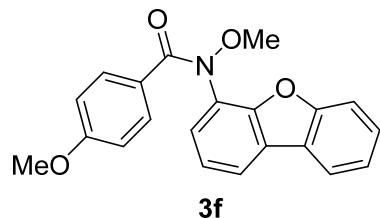


**Benzyl (1-acetyl-5-methyl-1H-indol-6-yl)(methoxy)carbamate (3d).** Orange solid. Mp: 113.7 °C.  $R_f$  = 0.32 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.30 (s, 3H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.47 (m, 7H), 8.39 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

$\delta$  17.8, 23.8, 61.7, 67.7, 108.6, 116.9, 122.2, 126.7, 127.9, 128.0, 128.4, 131.0, 132.2, 133.6, 135.2, 136.1, 155.5, 168.3. IR (neat) 3141, 3116, 2979, 2958, 2932, 2817, 1732, 1712, 1692, 1531, 1458, 1442, 1378, 1329, 1310, 1272, 1254, 1225, 1212, 1154, 1113, 1091, 1073, 1032, 1005, 962, 935, 905, 888, 875 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 375.1315, found 375.1315.

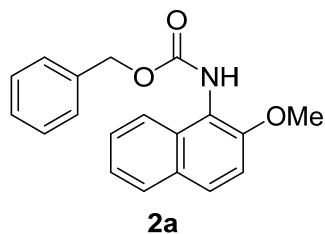


**Benzyl methoxy(1-tosyl-1H-indol-7-yl)carbamate (3e).** Brown oil. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.36 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.29 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 6.69 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.40 (m, 6H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  21.3, 61.2, 67.6, 109.4, 122.3, 123.8, 126.1, 126.3, 126.9, 127.6, 127.8, 128.2, 129.2, 130.4, 131.2, 134.6, 135.6, 135.9, 144.2, 154.7. IR (neat) 3033, 2934, 1729, 1596, 1547, 1496, 1480, 1456, 1411, 1378, 1362, 1338, 1253, 1221, 1101, 1064, 1030, 985, 909, 806 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 473.1142, found 473.1142.

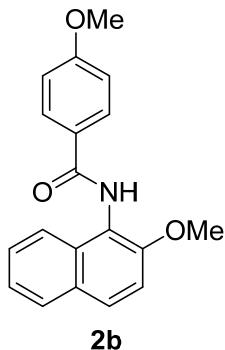


**N-(Dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-yl)-N,4-dimethoxybenzamide (3f).** Orange solid. Mp: 110.6 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.36 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.74 (s, 3H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.49 (dt, J = 0.9, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (dd, J = 0.9, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  55.2, 62.1, 112.0, 113.2, 120.8, 121.1, 123.2, 123.2, 123.7, 125.4, 126.0, 126.10, 126.14, 127.7, 130.6, 150.9, 156.2, 161.7, 168.6. IR (neat) 2937, 1673, 1606, 1510, 1452, 1426, 1306, 1257, 1220, 1194, 1027, 845 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 370.1050, found 370.1050.

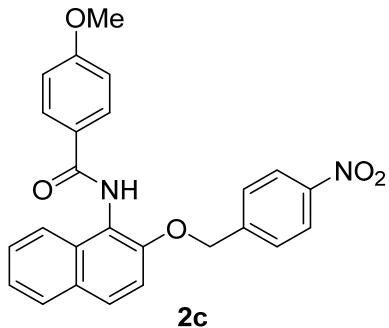
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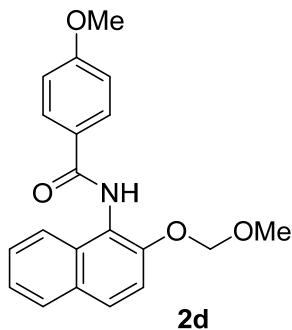
**Benzyl (2-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)carbamate (2a).** 103.0 mg (0.335 mmol, 84%). Colorless solid. Mp: 123.3 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.93 (s, 3H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 6.53 (br, 1H), 7.28-7.51 (m, 8H), 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 56.3, 67.2, 112.9, 118.5, 122.5, 123.8, 126.8, 127.7, 127.9, 128.1, 128.4, 128.5, 129.0, 131.2, 136.4, 151.7, 156.4. IR (neat) 3256, 1693, 1506, 1338, 1262, 1242, 1112 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 330.1100, found 330.1100.



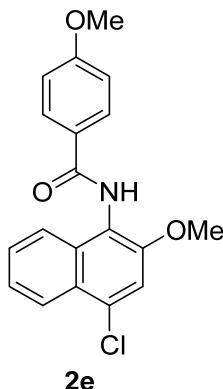
**4-Methoxy-N-(2-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (2b).** 119.3 mg (0.388 mmol, 97%). Colorless solid. Mp: 167.8 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.43 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 7.02 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (br, 1H), 7.80-7.84 (m, 3H), 8.01 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.41, 56.36, 112.79, 113.75, 119.20, 123.02, 123.82, 126.66, 127.95, 128.39, 129.05, 129.41, 130.68, 151.28, 162.39, 166.30. IR (neat) 3230, 3053, 3016, 2992, 2965, 2935, 2836, 1634, 1606, 1599, 1577, 1530, 1495, 1474, 1461, 1441, 1392, 1345, 1292, 1251, 1214, 1189, 1145, 1122, 1081, 1054, 1030, 938, 867, 853, 844, 812, 806 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 330.1101, found 330.1101.



**4-Methoxy-N-{2-[4-nitrobenzyl]oxy}naphthalen-1-yl}benzamide (2c).** 135.9 mg (0.317 mmol, 79%). Colorless solid. Mp: 193.0 °C. Rf = 0.23 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.91 (s, 3H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.57 (m, 4H), 7.61 (br, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.91-7.95 (m, 3H), 8.14 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.5, 70.5, 114.0, 114.8, 122.8, 123.8, 124.6, 126.4, 127.1, 127.6, 128.1, 128.9, 129.3, 129.8, 131.2, 144.3, 147.5, 150.5, 162.6. IR (neat) 3225, 2993, 2953, 2844, 1648, 1630, 1605, 1582, 1515, 1498, 1452, 1350, 1337, 1296, 1280, 1246, 1202, 1182, 1174, 1146, 1131, 1106, 1095, 1056, 1024, 906, 862, 850, 833 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 451.1265, found 451.1265.

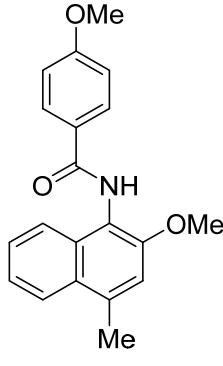


**4-Methoxy-N-[2-(methoxymethoxy)naphthalen-1-yl]benzamide (2d).** 82.2 mg (0.244 mmol, 61%). Colorless solid. Mp: 183.4 °C. Rf = 0.15 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.48 (s, 3H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (dt, J = 0.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.81 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (br d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.5, 56.4, 95.9, 113.9, 116.6, 120.9, 123.3, 124.5, 126.7, 128.1, 128.5, 129.4, 130.0, 130.7, 149.6, 162.6. IR (neat) 2952, 2926, 2852, 2340, 1727, 1653, 1559, 1495, 1263, 1107, 795 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 360.1206, found 360.1206.



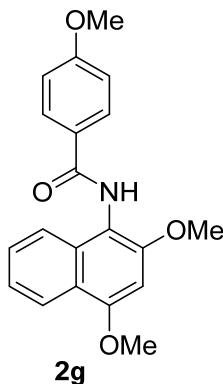
**2e**

**N-(4-Chloro-2-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-4-methoxybenzamide (2e).** 58.1 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.170 mmol, 85%). Colorless solid. Mp: 197.3 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.44 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (br, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 8.21 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.5, 56.6, 113.6, 113.8, 118.6, 123.4, 124.6, 125.0, 126.3, 126.4, 127.5, 129.5, 131.5, 131.8, 150.9, 162.6, 166.4. IR (neat) 3263, 3073, 3009, 2964, 2934, 2901, 2837, 1646, 1627, 1602, 1566, 1526, 1487, 1461, 1441, 1419, 1385, 1330, 1311, 1296, 1248, 1218, 1175, 1157, 1126, 1096, 1054, 1026, 948, 914, 901, 857, 846, 839 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClNO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 364.0711, found 364.0711.

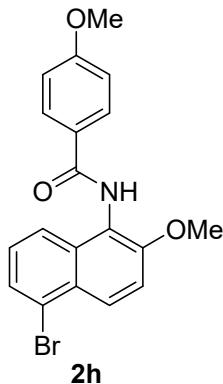


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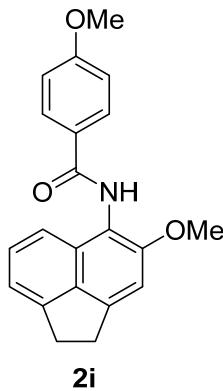
**4-Methoxy-N-(2-methoxy-4-methylnaphthalen-1-yl)benzamide (2f).** 56.6 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.176 mmol, 88%). Colorless solid. Mp: 197.1 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.52 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.73 (s, 3H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (br, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 19.9, 56.4, 56.5, 113.8, 114.0, 117.2, 123.4, 123.7, 124.3, 126.5, 126.8, 128.1, 129.4, 131.0, 135.5, 151.0, 162.4, 166.4. IR (neat) 3233, 3065, 3013, 2992, 2965, 2935, 2844, 1634, 1602, 1578, 1529, 1497, 1474, 1460, 1440, 1391, 1349, 1296, 1262, 1250, 1189, 1159, 1132, 1112, 1098, 1053, 1028, 936, 853, 845, 816 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 344.1257, found 344.1257.



**N-(2,4-dimethoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-4-methoxybenzamide (2g).** 57.9 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.172 mmol, 86%). Colorless solid. Mp: 185.4 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.22 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 4.04 (s, 3H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (br, 1H), 7.77 (m, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 8.19 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.5, 55.8, 56.7, 93.2, 111.9, 113.8, 121.3, 122.2, 122.4, 123.3, 127.0, 127.6, 129.4, 131.6, 152.3, 156.1, 162.4, 166.6. IR (neat) 3283, 3003, 2962, 2936, 2842, 1637, 1602, 1524, 1494, 1381, 1354, 1274, 1250, 1218, 1175, 1157, 1137, 1110, 1097, 1025, 983, 931, 845 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 360.1206, found 360.1206.

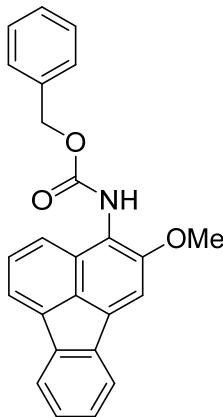


**N-(5-Bromo-2-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-4-methoxybenzamide (2h).** 73.9 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.191 mmol, 96%). Colorless solid. Mp: 191.1 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.24 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (br, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 8.25 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.5, 56.3, 113.6, 113.8, 119.4, 122.9, 123.2, 126.4, 126.9, 127.4, 127.8, 127.9, 129.5, 132.0, 151.8, 162.6, 166.4. IR (neat) 3247, 1637, 1606, 1596, 1578, 1530, 1488, 1460, 1442, 1392, 1334, 1293, 1262, 1249, 1189, 1127, 1090, 1067, 1049, 1029, 939, 852, 844 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrNO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 408.0206, found 408.0206.



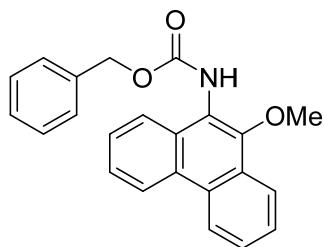
**2i**

**4-Methoxy-N-(4-methoxy-1,2-dihydroacenaphthylen-5-yl)benzamide (2i).** 51.8 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.155 mmol, 78%). Colorless solid. Mp: 213.5 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.42 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.40 (m, 4H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (br, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 30.4, 30.6, 55.5, 56.7, 106.8, 113.8, 116.0, 117.3, 119.0, 127.0, 128.1, 128.7, 129.4, 134.7, 145.9, 146.3, 152.9, 162.3, 165.9. IR (neat) 3227, 2928, 2837, 1636, 1605, 1526, 1502, 1460, 1399, 1374, 1352, 1316, 1281, 1249, 1219, 1190, 1174, 1093, 1060, 1029, 963, 945, 922, 841 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 356.1257, found 356.1257.



**2j**

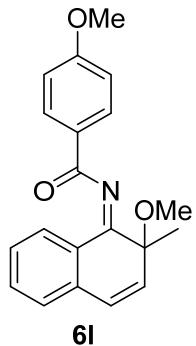
**Benzyl (2-methoxyfluoranthen-3-yl)carbamate (2j).** 69.7 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.182 mmol, 91%). Yellow solid. Mp: 217.6 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.44 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.05 (s, 3H), 5.26 (s, 3H), 6.74 (br, 1H), 7.35-7.43 (m, 7H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.87 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 56.9, 67.4, 107.3, 118.5, 119.8, 121.1, 121.5, 123.6, 127.5, 127.6, 127.8, 128.2, 128.3, 128.45, 128.53, 136.2, 136.3, 136.7, 138.8, 140.0, 152.9, 155.3. IR (neat) 3270, 3033, 1705, 1521, 1489, 1461, 1454, 1442, 1354, 1275, 1249, 1219, 1176, 1161, 1147, 1110, 1168, 1042, 1024, 852 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 404.1257, found 404.1257.



**2k**

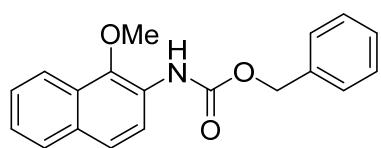
**Benzyl (10-methoxyphenanthren-9-yl)carbamate (2k).** 42.2 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.118 mmol, 59%).

Colorless solid. Mp: 174.2 °C. Rf = 0.48 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.93 (s, 3H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 6.60 (br, 1H), 7.35-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.60-7.67 (m, 3H), 7.69 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (m, 1H), 8.21 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.67 (m, 1H), 8.69 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 61.7, 67.6, 121.7, 122.9, 123.0, 123.1, 123.7, 126.1, 127.0, 127.2, 127.4, 127.6, 127.9, 128.4, 128.6, 128.7, 130.2, 131.1, 136.3, 146.5, 149.9. IR (neat) 3254, 3076, 3029, 2954, 1690, 1531, 1489, 1450, 1362, 1328, 1245, 1214, 1197, 1177, 1125, 1111, 1074, 1019, 987, 961 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 380.1257, found 380.1257.



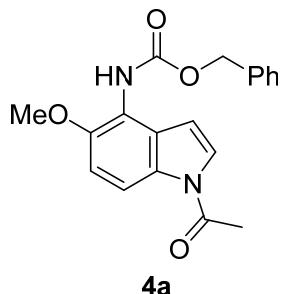
**6l**

**(E)-4-methoxy-N-[2-methoxy-2-methylnaphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene]benzamide (6l).** 43.1 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.134 mmol, 67%). Colorless solid. Mp: 170.1 °C. Rf = 0.43 [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.58 (s, 3H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 5.97 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.19 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 27.7, 54.5, 55.4, 80.2, 113.4, 127.0, 127.4, 127.5, 127.7, 128.2, 129.2, 130.8, 132.9, 134.7, 135.0, 162.7, 166.4, 178.7. IR (neat) 3053, 2989, 2967, 2938, 2842, 2828, 1923, 1643, 1594, 1508, 1482, 1458, 1451, 1393, 1360, 1315, 1302, 1270, 1255, 1240, 1226, 1208, 1184, 1165, 1092, 1057, 1025, 1006, 971, 942, 884, 849, 810 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 344.1257, found 344.1257.

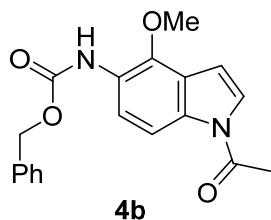


**2m**

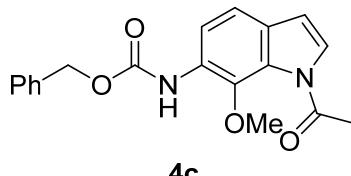
**Benzyl (1-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)carbamate (2m).** 19.4 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.063 mmol, 32%). Brown oil.  $R_f$  = 0.48 [hexane/EtOAc = 3:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.92 (s, 3H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 7.35-7.52 (m, 8H), 7.65 (d,  $J$  = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  61.4, 67.2, 118.8, 121.0, 121.7, 124.7, 126.3, 127.2, 127.7, 128.2, 128.40, 128.42, 128.7, 130.9, 136.0, 142.3, 153.5. IR (neat) 3412, 3323, 3062, 3032, 2938, 2843, 1730, 1631, 1602, 1519, 1503, 1455, 1427, 1363, 1290, 1259, 1209, 1193, 1148, 1092, 1060, 931  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  330.1100, found 330.1100.



**Benzyl (1-acetyl-5-methoxy-1H-indol-4-yl)carbamate (4a).** 54.0 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.160 mmol, 80%). Colorless solid. Mp: 155.8 °C.  $R_f$  = 0.56 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.61 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.92-6.96 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.45 (m, 6H), 8.27 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  23.8, 56.4, 67.3, 108.8, 108.9, 113.8, 117.5, 125.4, 125.8, 128.25, 128.34, 128.5, 131.2, 136.1, 147.6, 154.1, 168.4. IR (neat) 3283, 3149, 3063, 3032, 3006, 2970, 2954, 2934, 2833, 1697, 1619, 1590, 1545, 1519, 1487, 1452, 1423, 1385, 1370, 1326, 1263, 1232, 1184, 1151, 1124, 1099, 1063, 1044, 970, 940, 923, 913, 845  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  361.1159, found 361.1159.

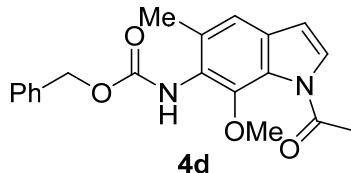


**Benzyl (1-acetyl-4-methoxy-1H-indol-5-yl)carbamate (4b).** 54.3 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.161 mmol, 80%). Colorless solid. Mp: 97.3 °C.  $R_f$  = 0.54 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.63 (s, 3H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 7.28 (br, 1H), 7.37-7.45 (m, 6H), 8.41 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  23.9, 61.1, 67.0, 105.8, 111.9, 116.9, 122.0, 125.2, 125.6, 128.35, 128.38, 128.6, 133.1, 136.1, 140.6, 153.5, 168.3. IR (neat) 3429, 3161, 3138, 3071, 3030, 2999, 2971, 2948, 2893, 1959, 1843, 1715, 1693, 1619, 1593, 1551, 1527, 1469, 1455, 1440, 1420, 1388, 1372, 1340, 1261, 1241, 1199, 1176, 1135, 1094, 1065, 1027, 990, 971, 963, 947, 914  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  361.1159, found 361.1159.



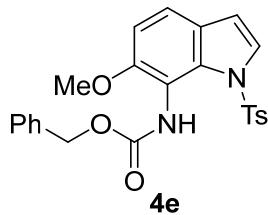
**4c**

**Benzyl (1-acetyl-7-methoxy-1H-indol-6-yl)carbamate (4c).** 49.2 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.146 mmol, 73%). Dark red oil.  $R_f = 0.27$  [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.67 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 5.24 (s, 2H), 6.59 (d,  $J = 3.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.45 (m, 7H), 8.11 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  24.7, 60.7, 67.0, 109.0, 115.9, 117.0, 126.7, 126.8, 128.2, 128.3, 128.6, 129.2, 129.3, 136.0, 136.8, 153.5, 167.7. IR (neat) 3414, 3324, 3153, 3089, 3063, 3031, 3006, 2938, 2830, 1718, 1614, 1585, 1547, 1521, 1464, 1417, 1364, 1311, 1259, 1228, 1192, 1086, 1051, 1028, 964, 906, 816  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  361.1159, found 361.1159.

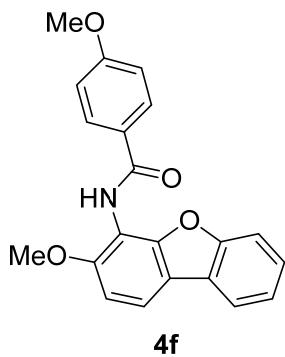


**4d**

**Benzyl(1-acetyl-7-methoxy-5-methyl-1H-indol-6-yl)carbamate (4d).** 35.1 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.100 mmol, 50%). Orange solid. Mp: 98.0 °C.  $R_f = 0.19$  [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.35 (s, 3H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 6.45 (br, 1H), 6.54 (d,  $J = 3.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.47 (m, 5H), 7.50 (d,  $J = 4.1$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  18.3, 24.9, 61.0, 67.2, 108.3, 117.8, 125.8, 126.3, 127.9, 128.1, 128.2, 128.5, 132.7, 133.1, 136.4, 143.9, 155.1, 168.1. IR (neat) 3254, 3017, 2960, 2934, 2837, 1722, 1694, 1576, 1549, 1517, 1474, 1455, 1432, 1363, 1331, 1302, 1287, 1238, 1197, 1092, 1050, 1029, 1019, 954, 919, 896, 868, 844  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  375.1315, found 375.1315.

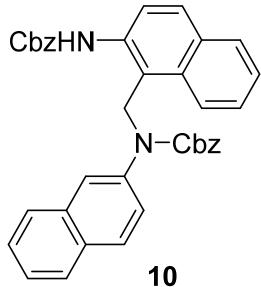


**Benzyl (6-methoxy-1-tosyl-1H-indol-7-yl)carbamate (4e).** 37.8 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.084 mmol, 42%). Colorless solid. Mp: 146.0 °C.  $R_f = 0.28$  [hexane/EtOAc = 2:1 (v/v)].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.32 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.96 (s, 2H), 6.63 (d,  $J = 3.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.95 (br, 1H), 7.10 (br, 2H), 7.28-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.55 (m,  $J = 5.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.68 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  21.5, 56.8, 66.5, 107.6, 112.2, 120.3, 126.1, 126.8, 127.6, 127.9, 128.1, 128.4, 129.8, 131.7, 136.4, 136.6, 144.4, 153.7. IR (neat) 3322, 3032, 2958, 2932, 2849, 1735, 1617, 1594, 1547, 1504, 1451, 1414, 1344, 1279, 1248, 1219, 1177, 1165, 1138, 1114, 1090, 1067, 1032, 1014, 898, 871, 814  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI) calcd. for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ) $^+$  473.1142, found 473.1142.



**4f**

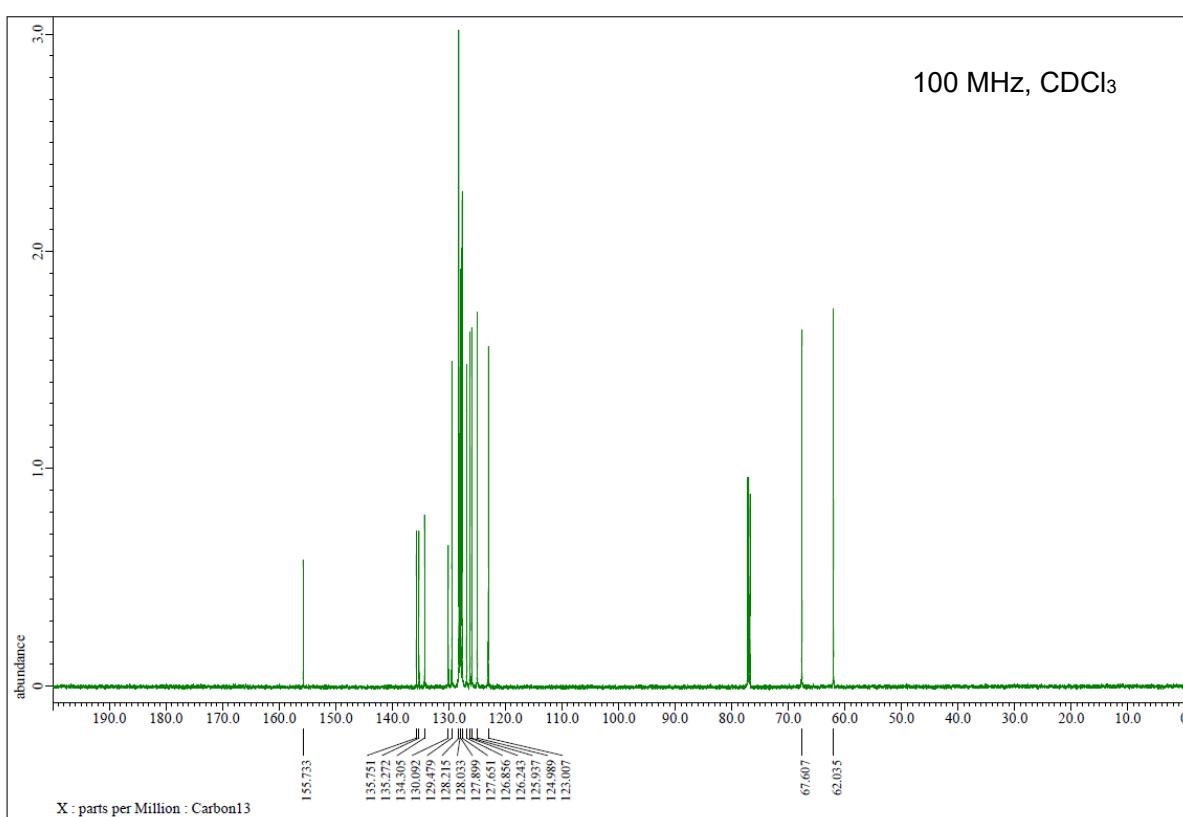
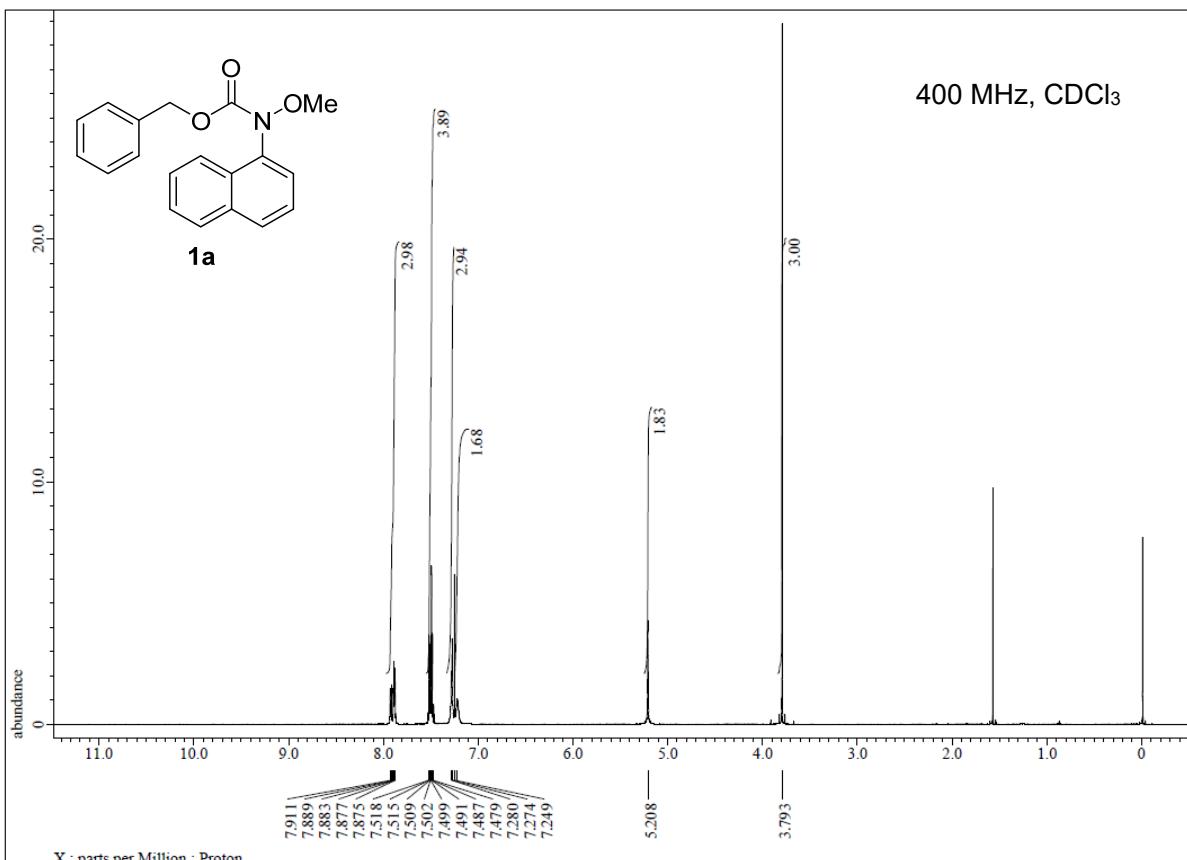
**4-methoxy-N-(3-methoxydibenzo[b,d]furan-4-yl)benzamide (4f).** 66.4 mg (0.2 mmol scale, 0.191 mmol, 96%). Colorless solid. Mp: 173.0 °C. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.50 [hexane/EtOAc = 1:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 6.99-7.02 (m, 3H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (br, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 55.4, 56.5, 106.6, 111.3, 111.8, 113.7, 117.9, 119.0, 119.9, 122.7, 124.3, 126.1, 126.4, 129.6, 151.2, 152.6, 156.6, 162.5, 165.2. IR (neat) 3392, 3078, 3017, 2961, 2936, 2906, 2837, 1666, 1643, 1605, 1576, 1512, 1470, 1456, 1439, 1415, 1355, 1325, 1313, 1255, 1239, 1216, 1194, 1178, 1123, 1091, 1024, 958, 942, 925, 882, 855, 840, 816 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 370.1050, found 370.1050.

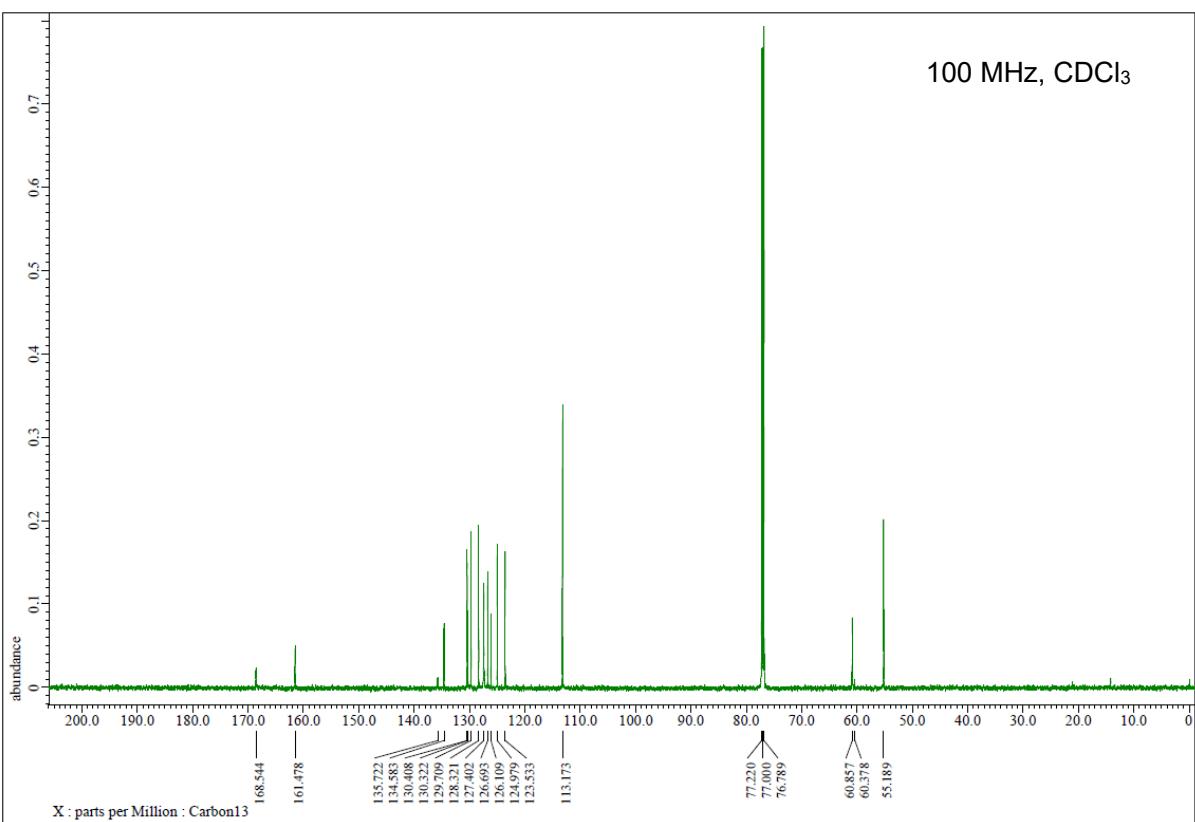
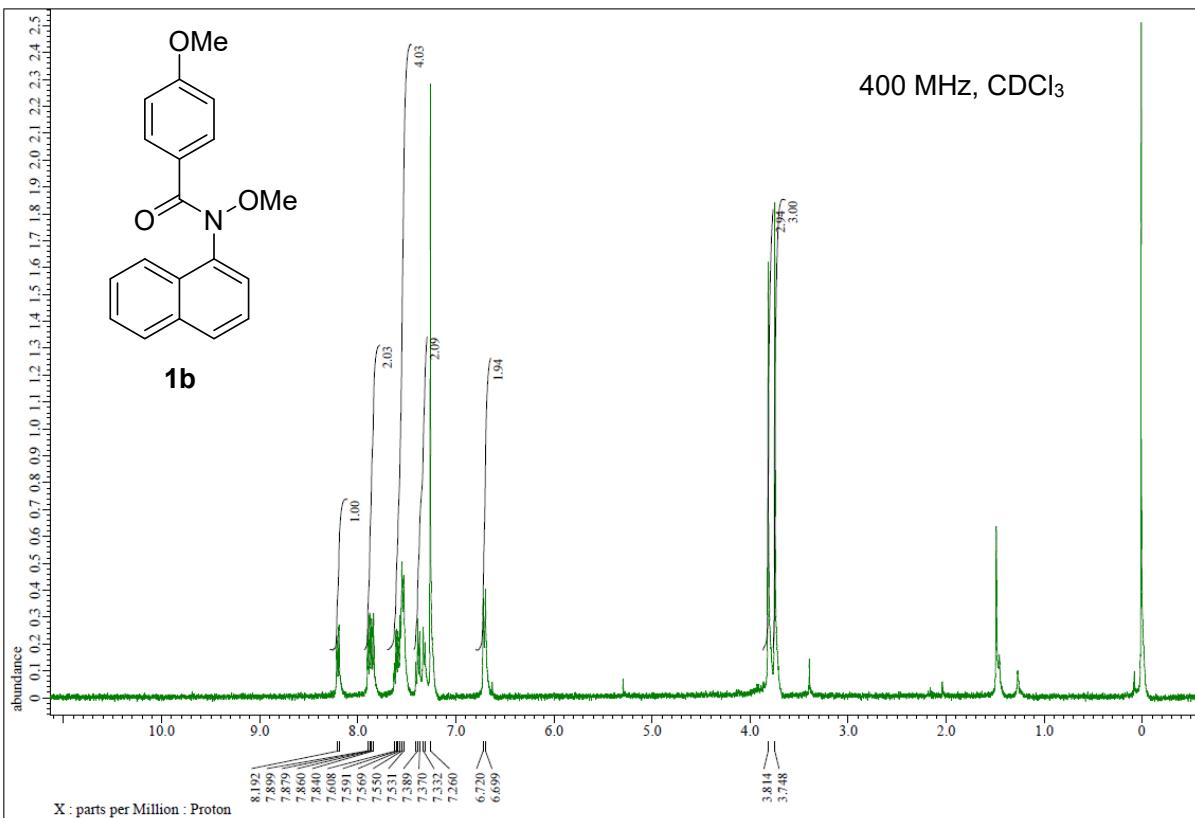


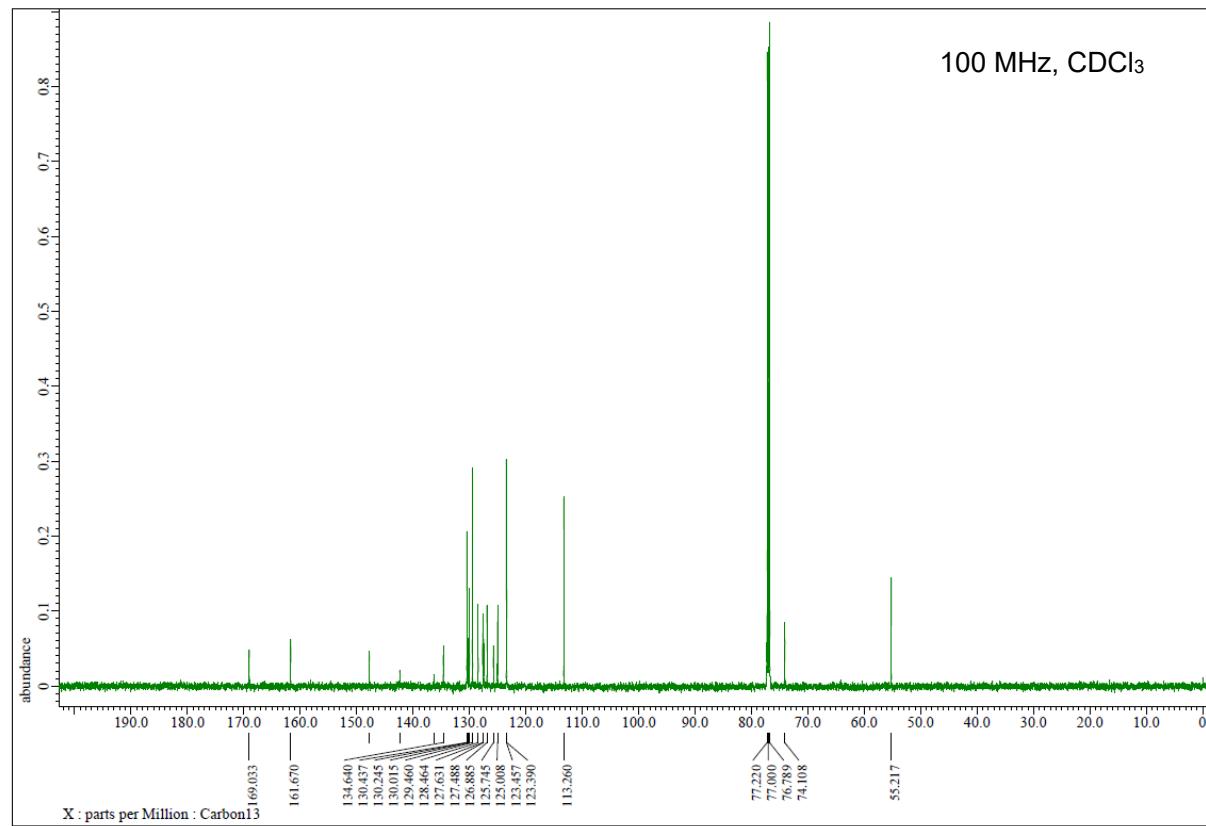
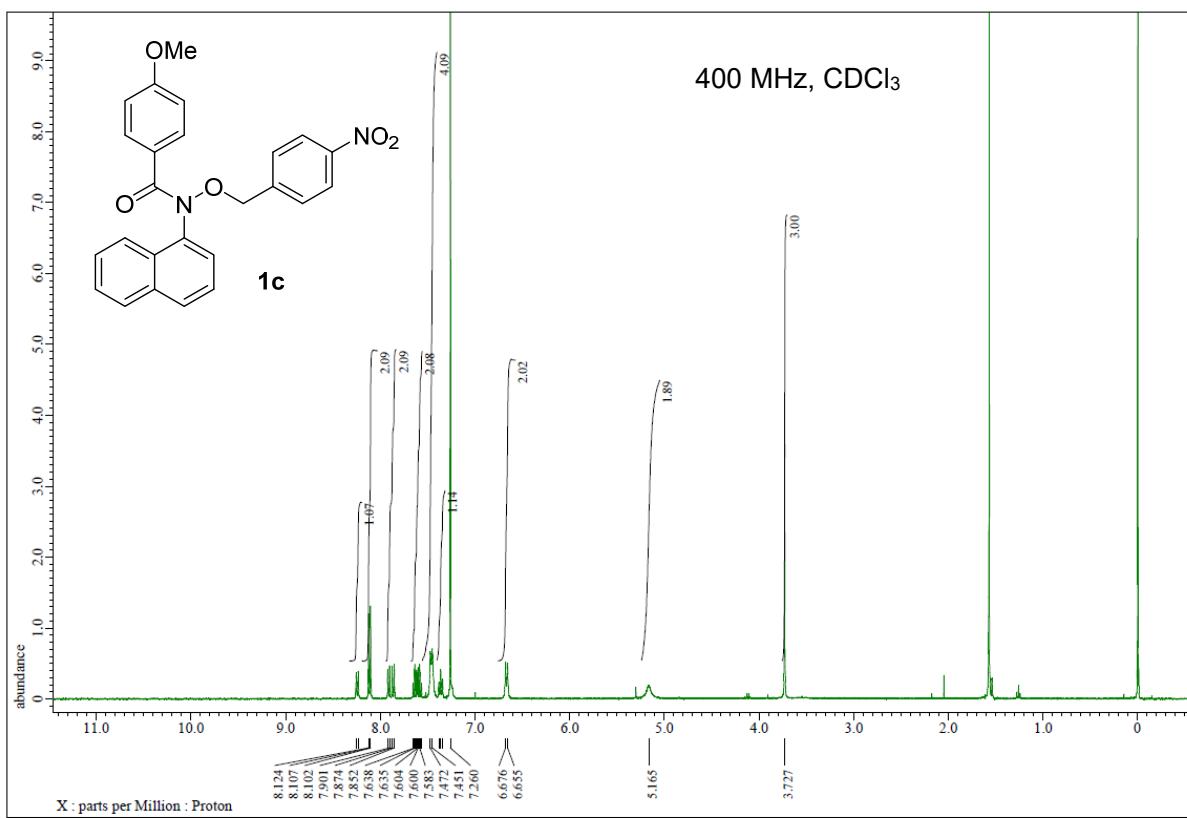
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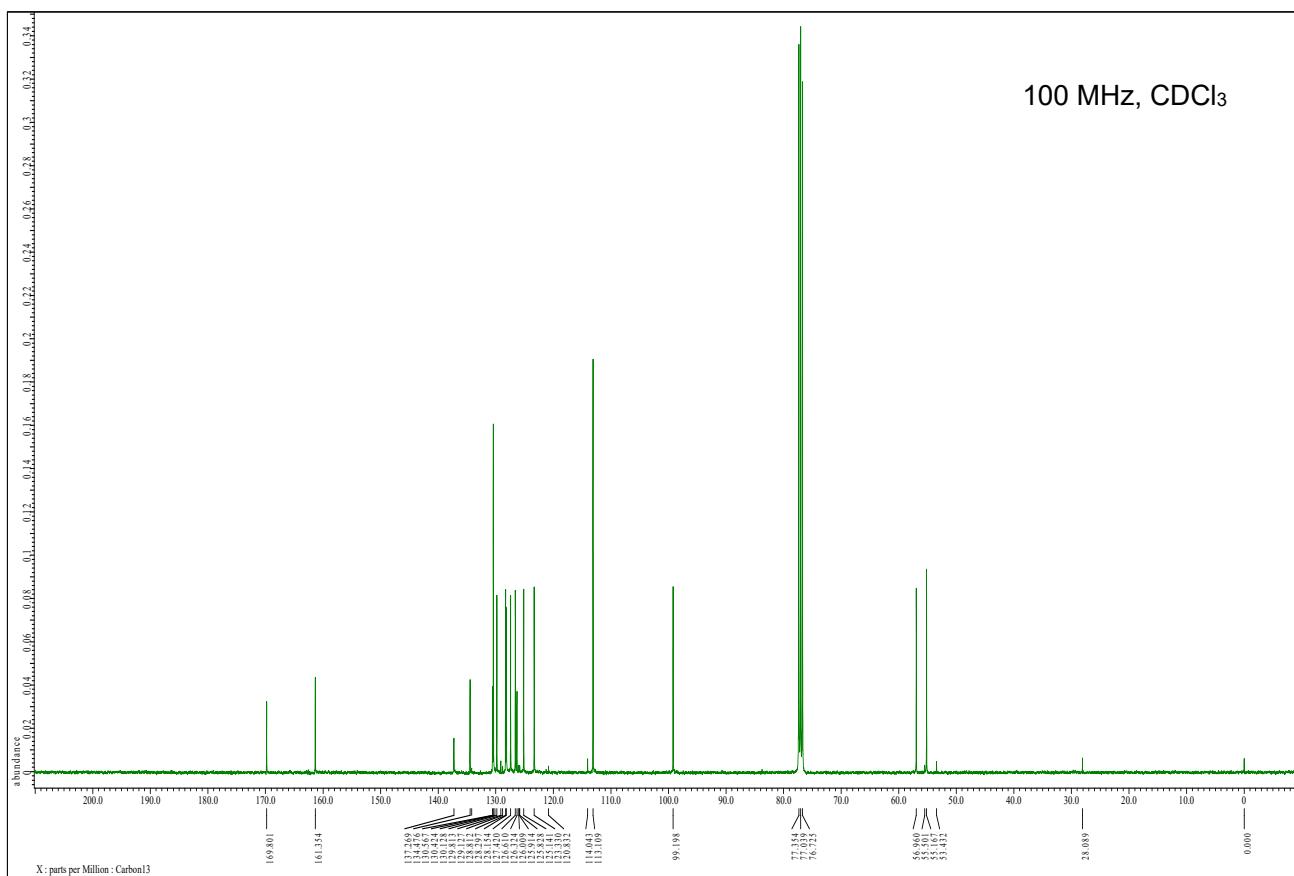
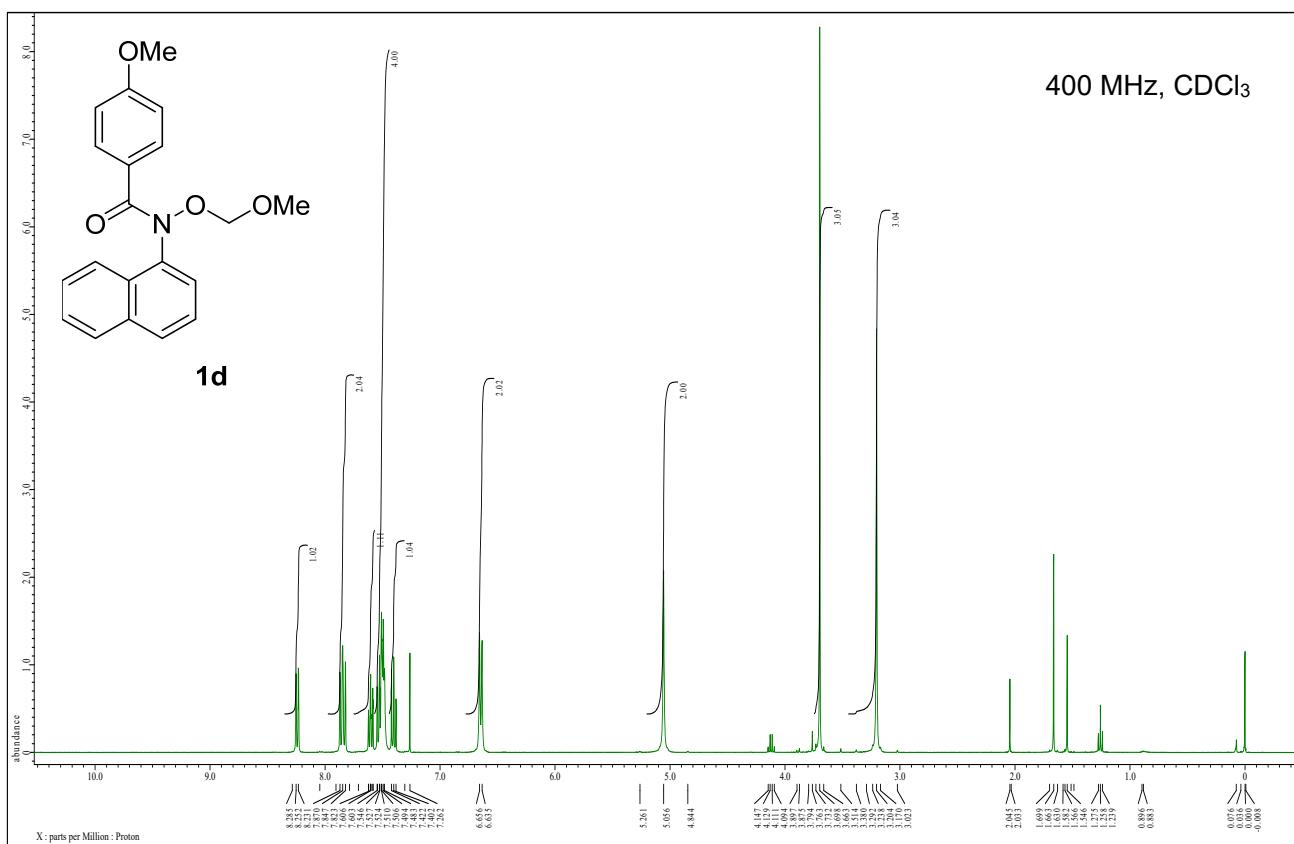
**10.** Colorless solid. Mp: 230.5 °C. R<sub>f</sub>=0.36 [hexane/EtOAc = 3:1 (v/v)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.12 (s, 2H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 5.36 (s, 2H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.12 (m, 3H), 7.20-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.2, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.2, 2H), 7.46-7.55 (m, 5H), 7.68-7.84 (m, 5H), 7.99(br, 1H), 9.42(br, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR(100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 47.2, 66.7, 67.8, 122.6, 124.0, 124.5, 126.1, 126.2, 126.5, 127.4, 127.7, 127.86, 127.91, 128.0, 128.1, 128.3, 128.5, 129.0, 129.3, 131.0, 132.3, 132.6, 133.5, 135.6, 136.1, 136.7, 139.2, 154.7, 156.9. IR (neat) 3247, 3060, 3032, 2957, 2925, 2854, 1730, 1682, 1626, 1601, 1586, 1508, 1455, 1430, 1410, 1341, 1287, 1263, 1241, 1218, 1120, 1090, 1039, 990, 861, 816, 749, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for (M+Na)<sup>+</sup> 589.2098, found 589.2098.

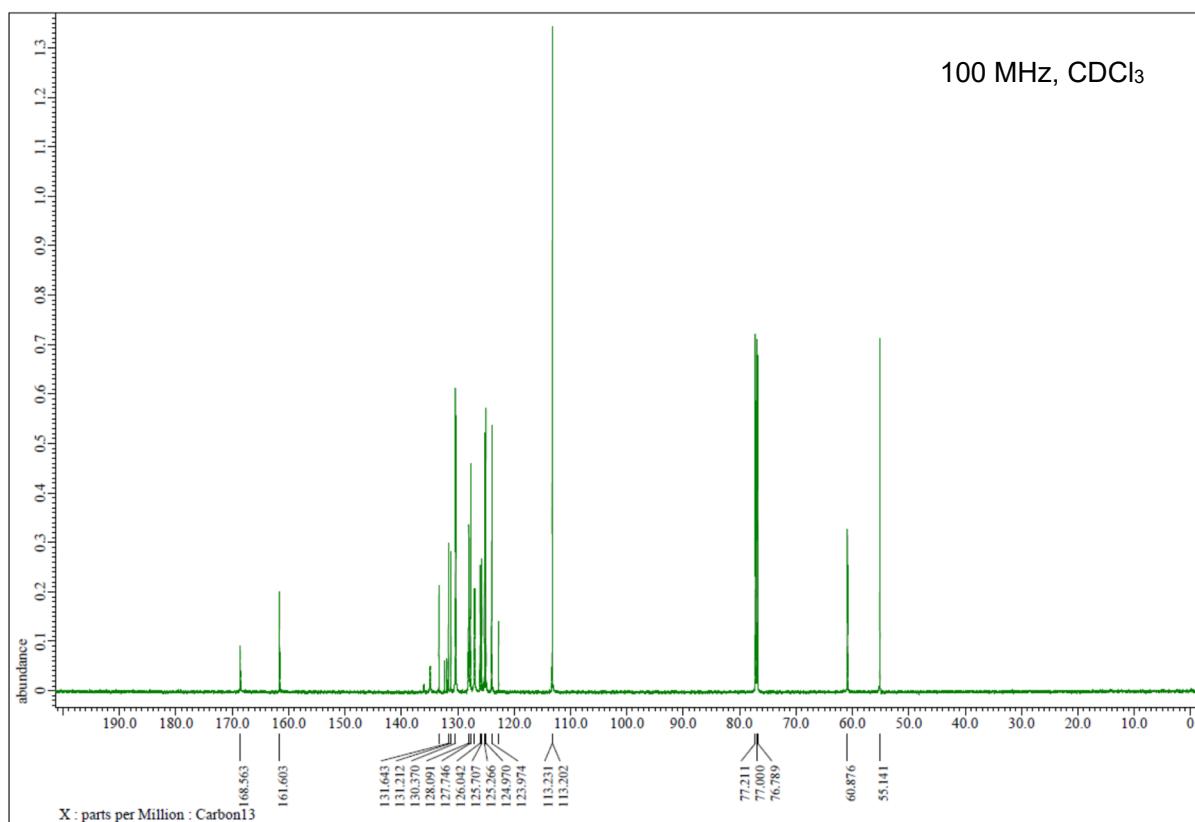
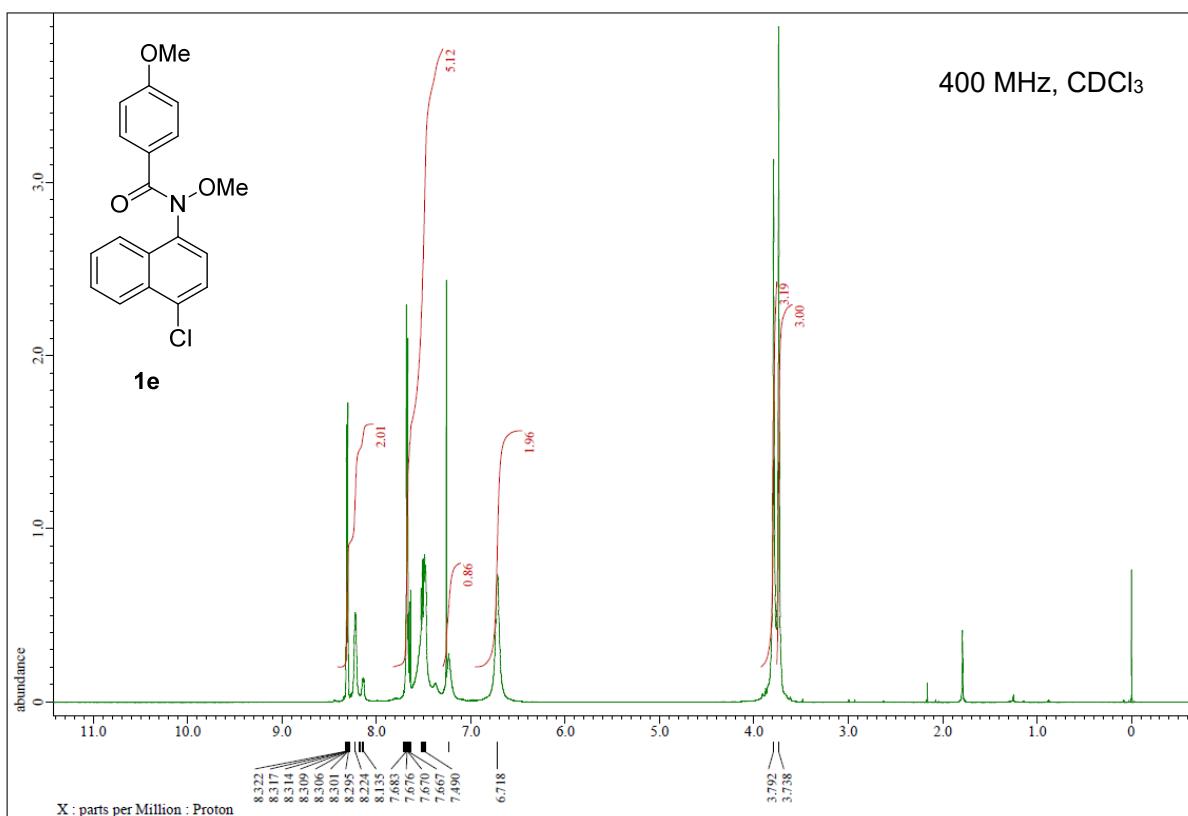
8. NMR charts of substrates **1** and **3**

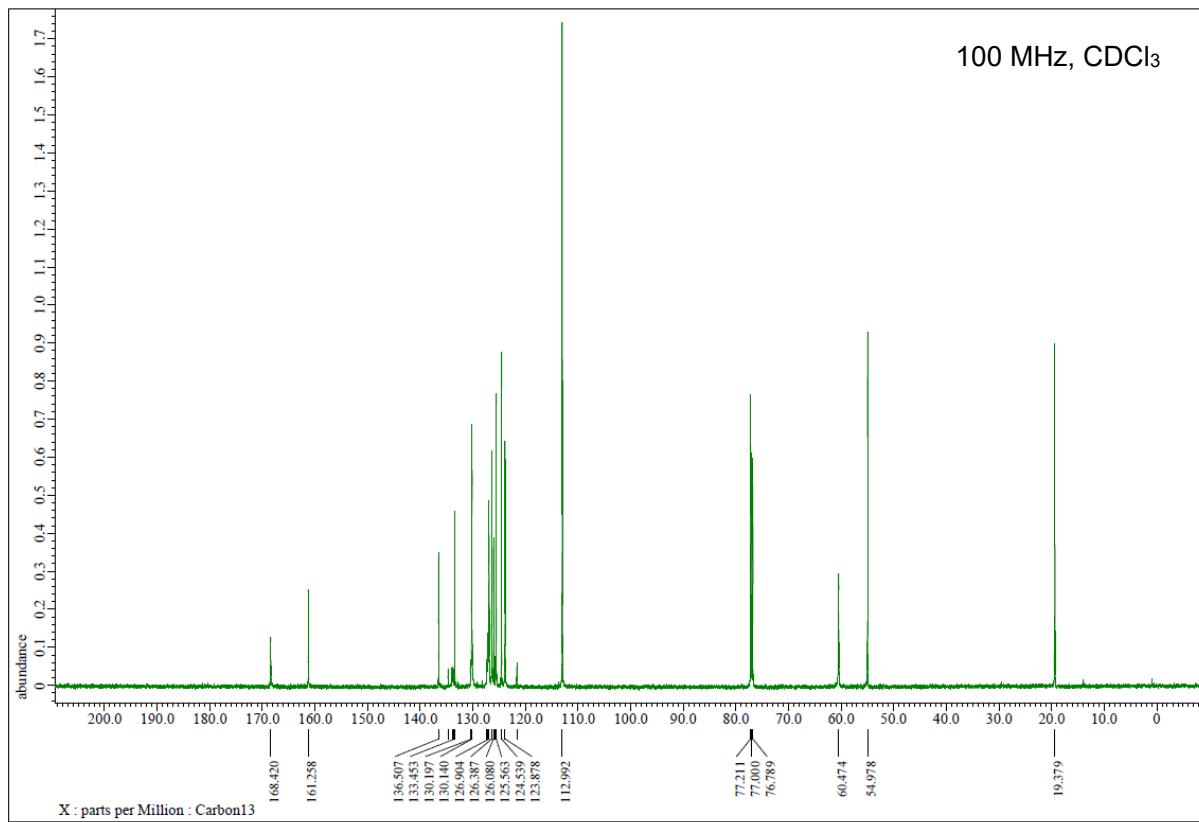
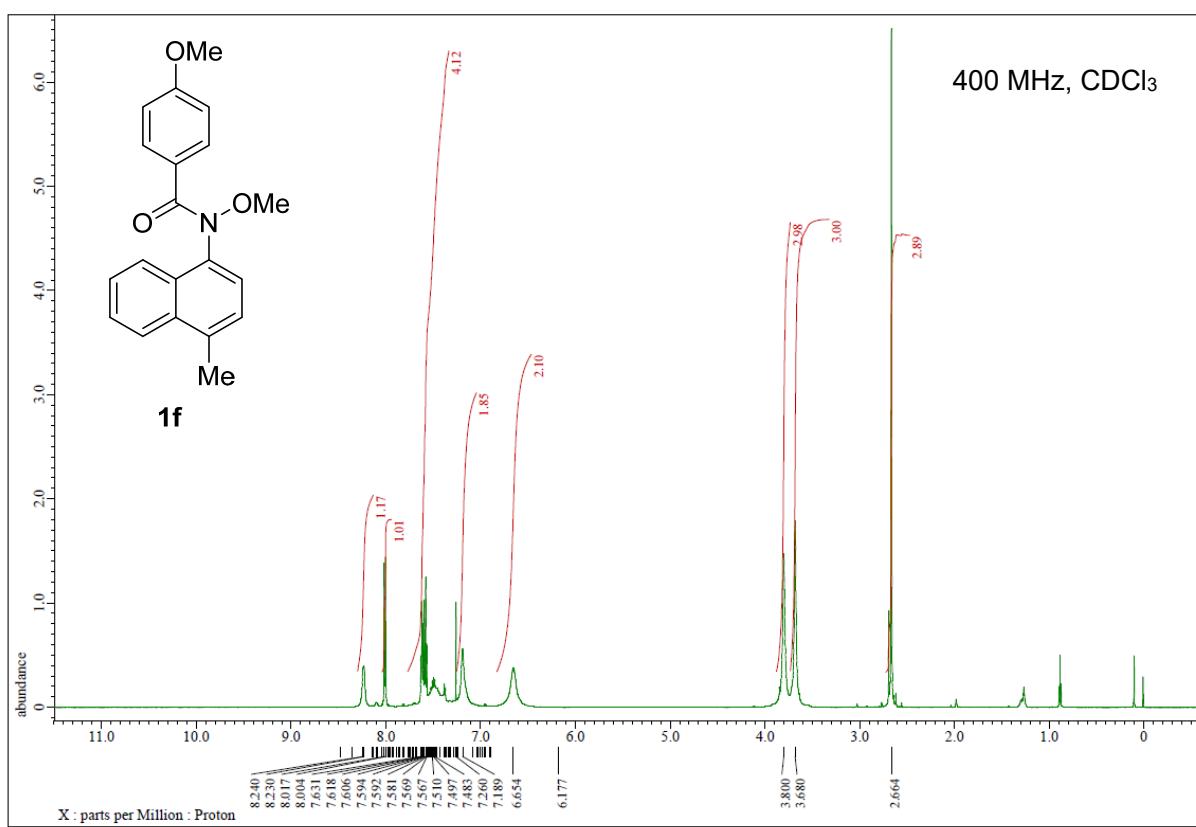


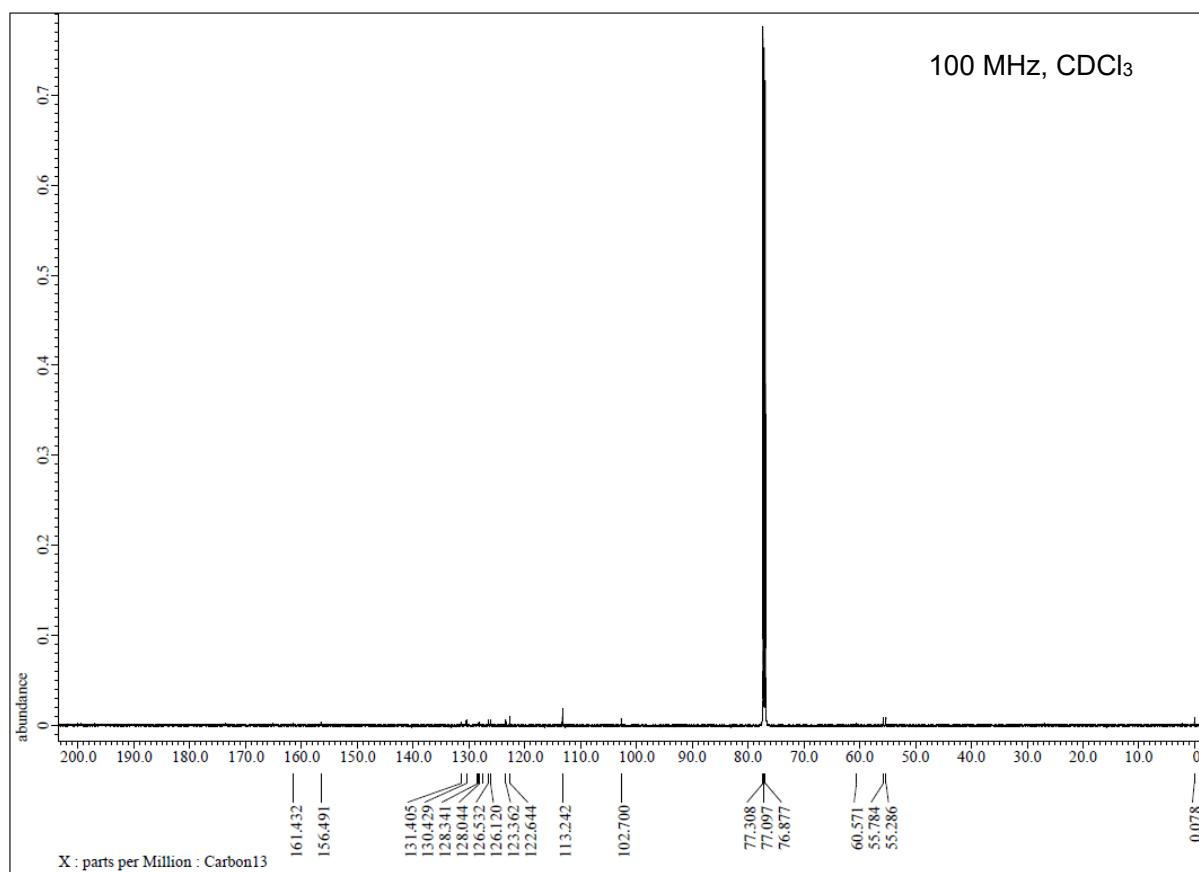
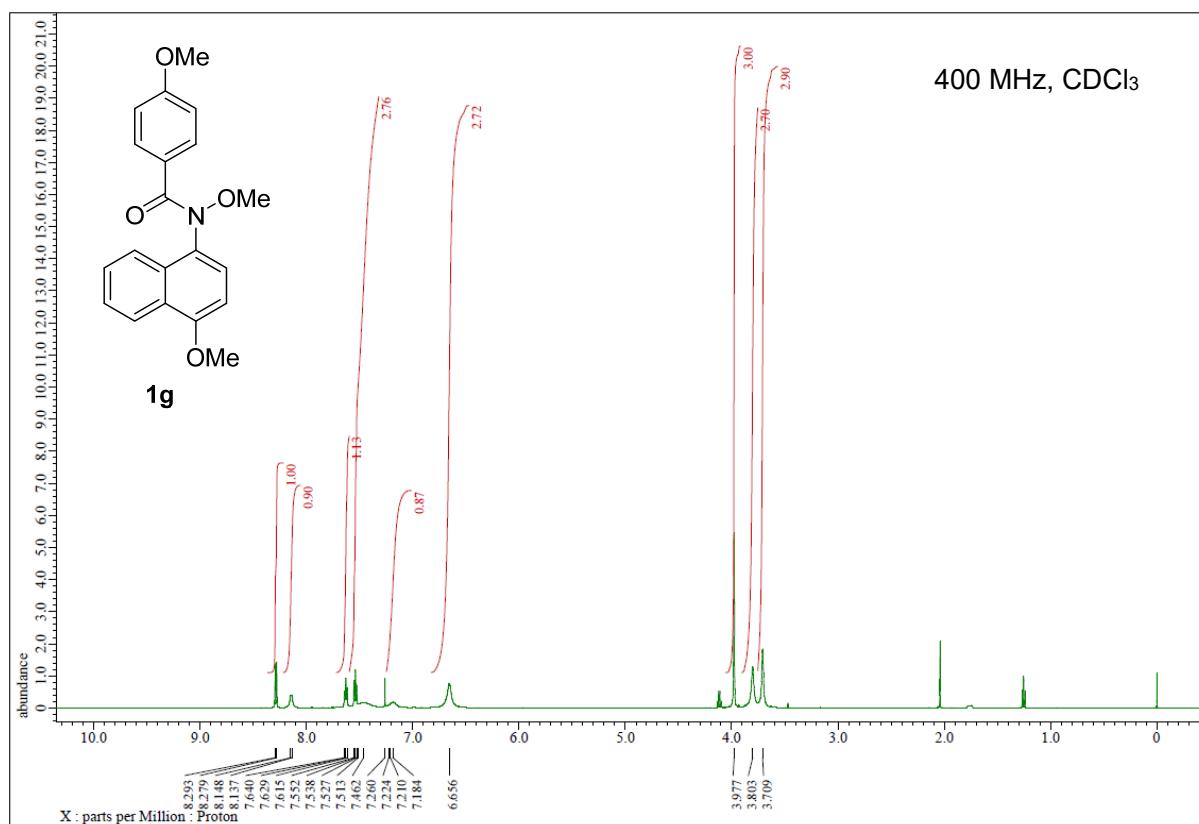


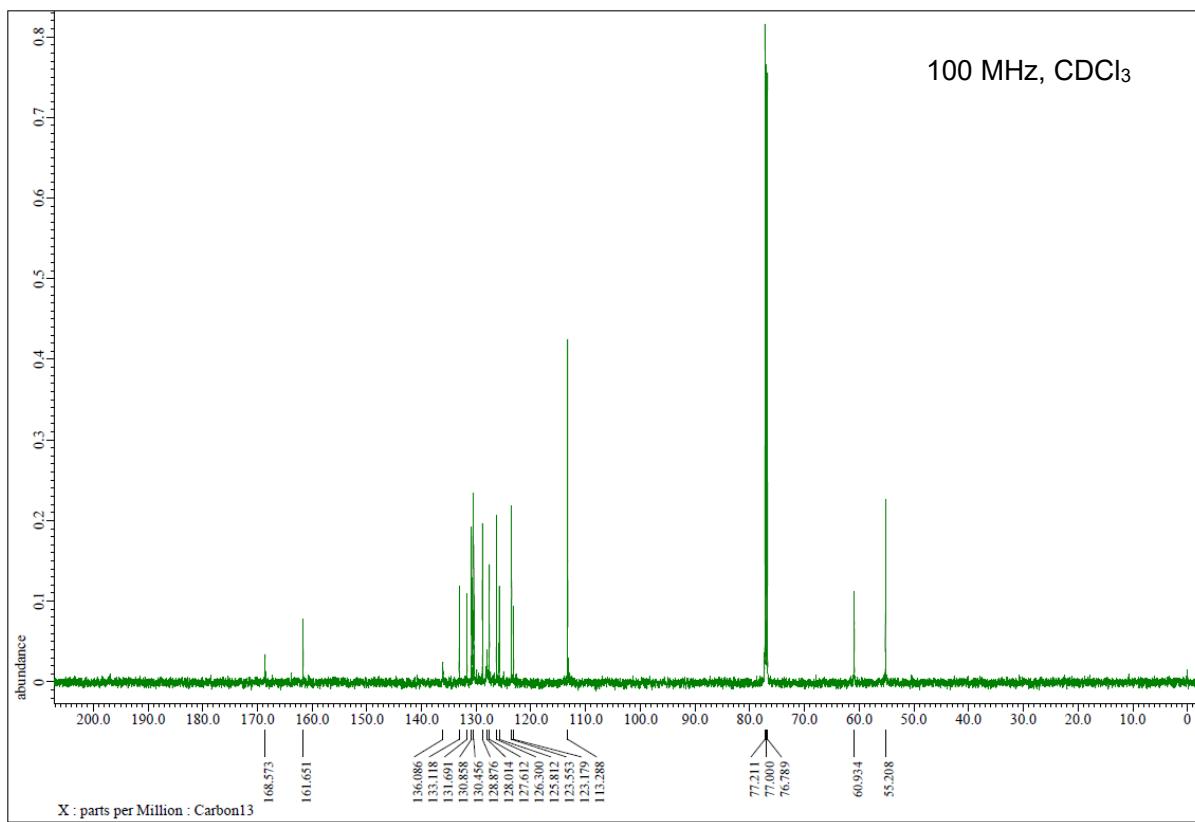
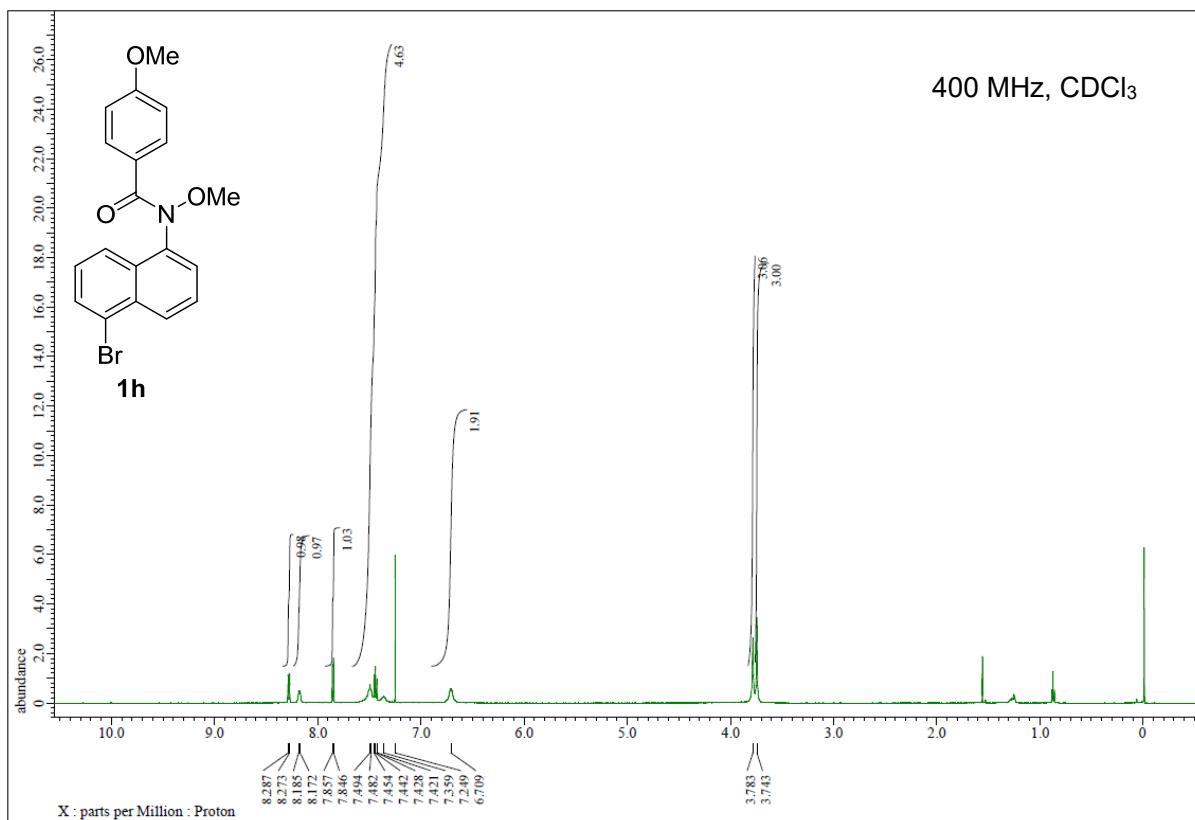


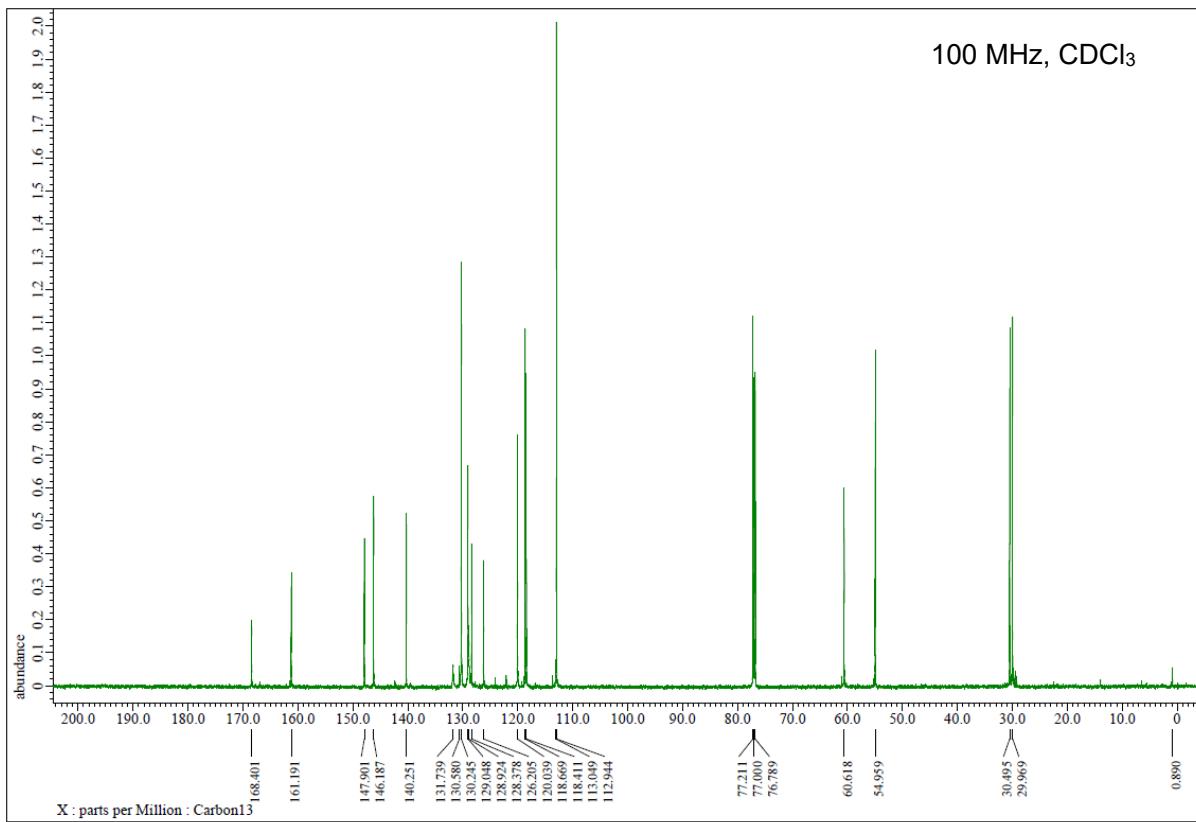
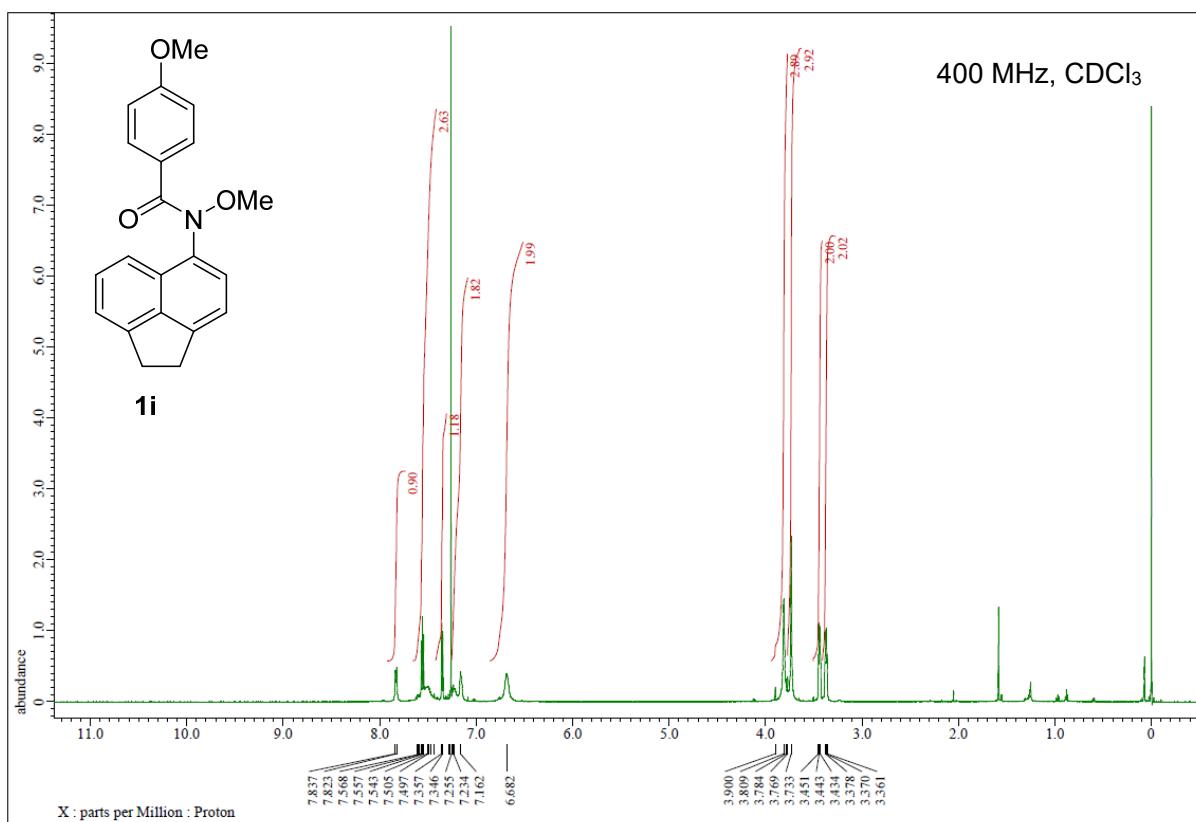


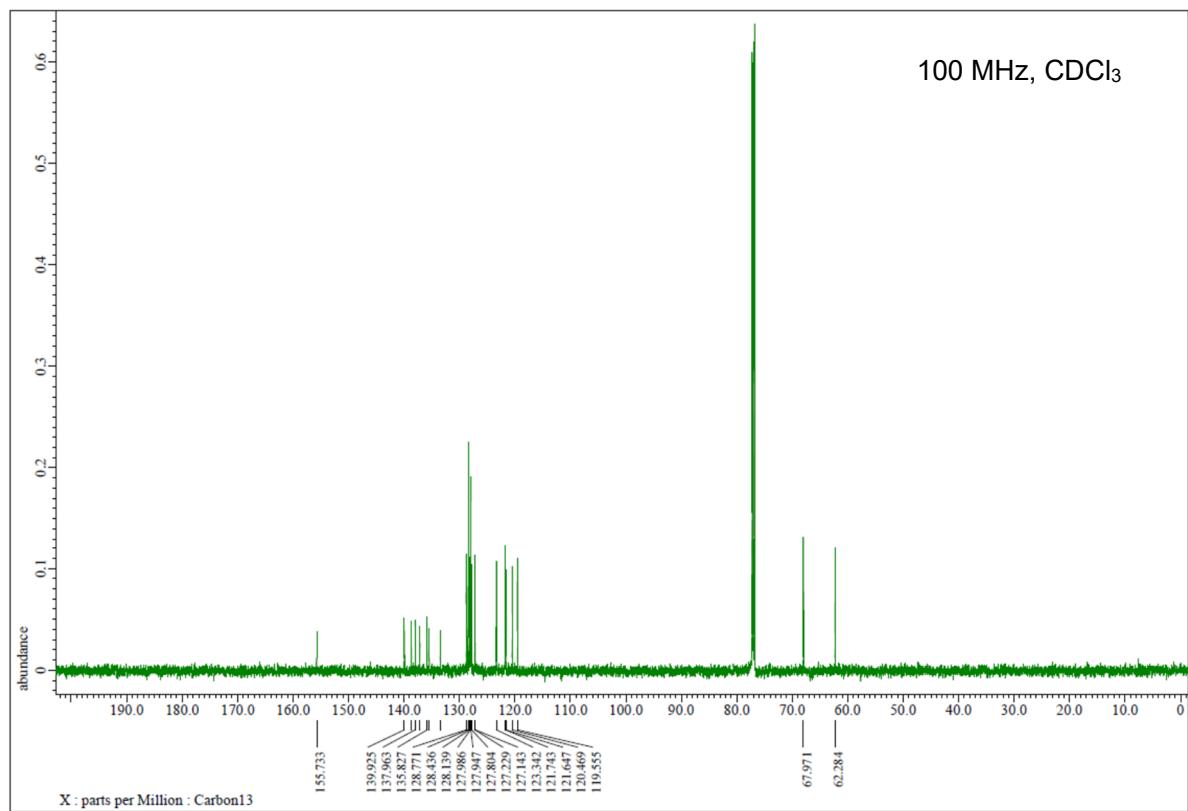
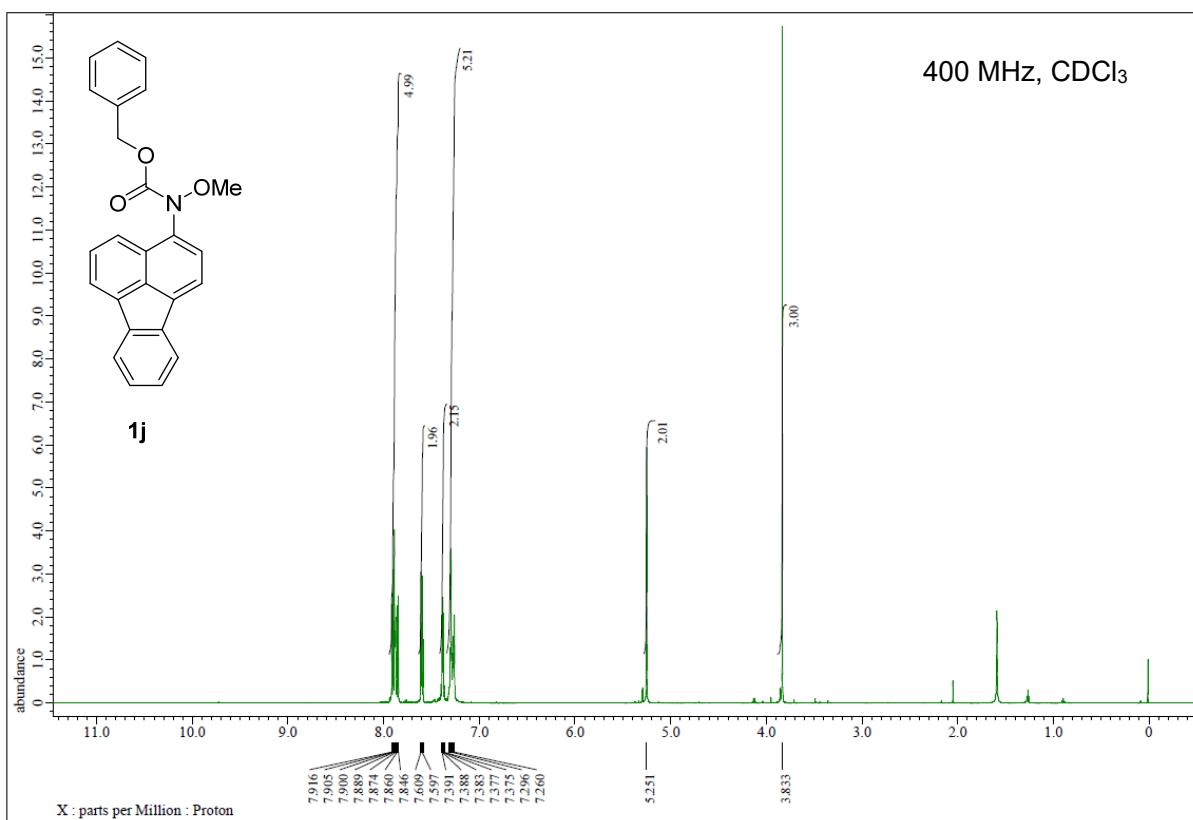


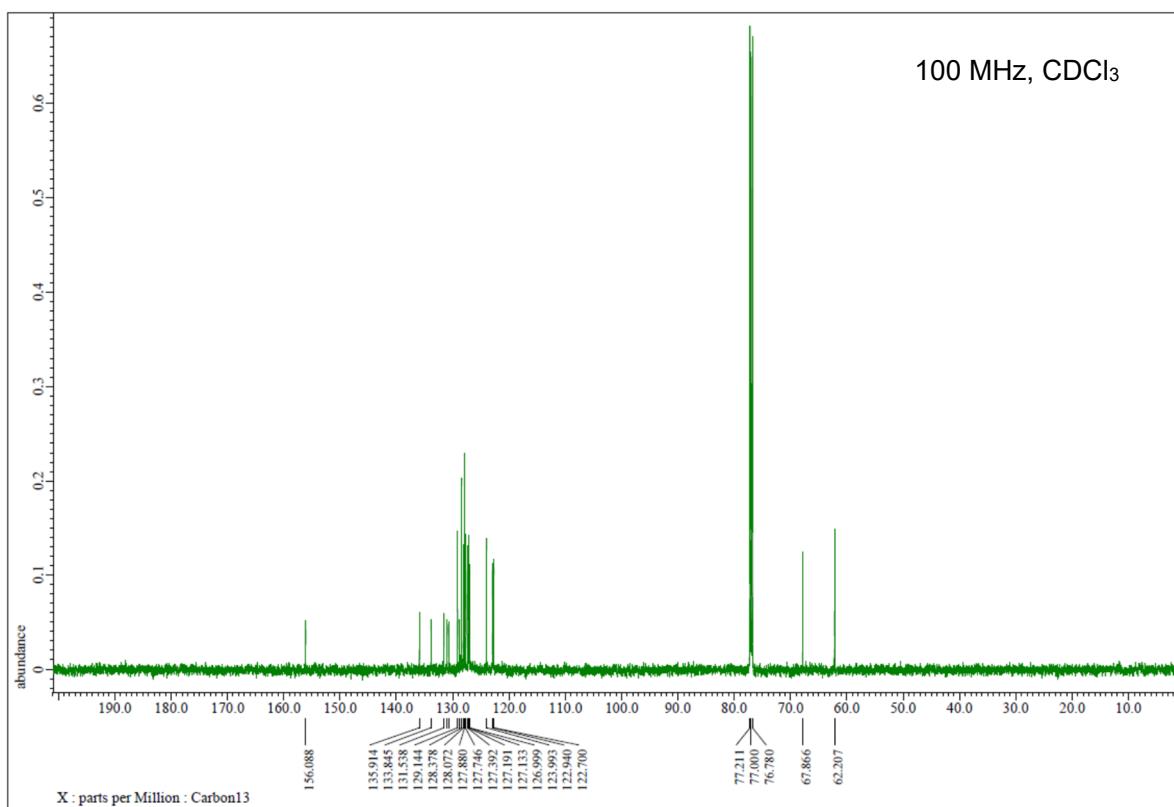
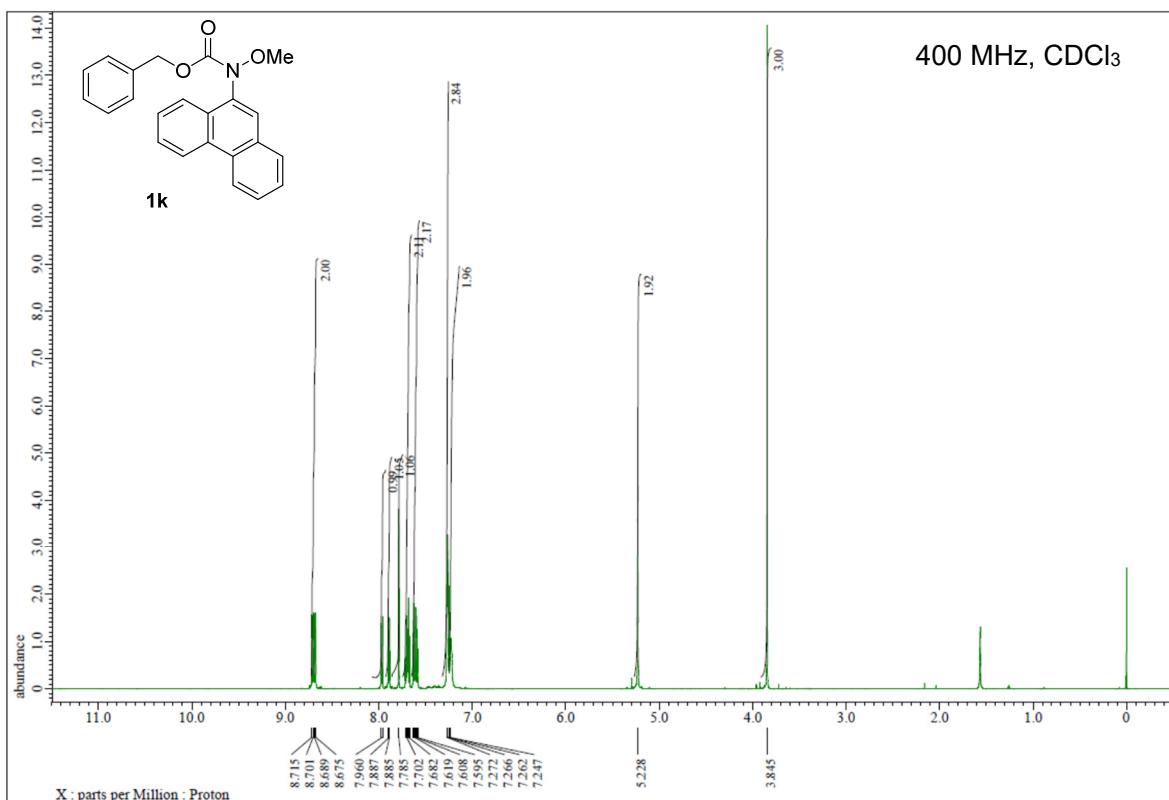


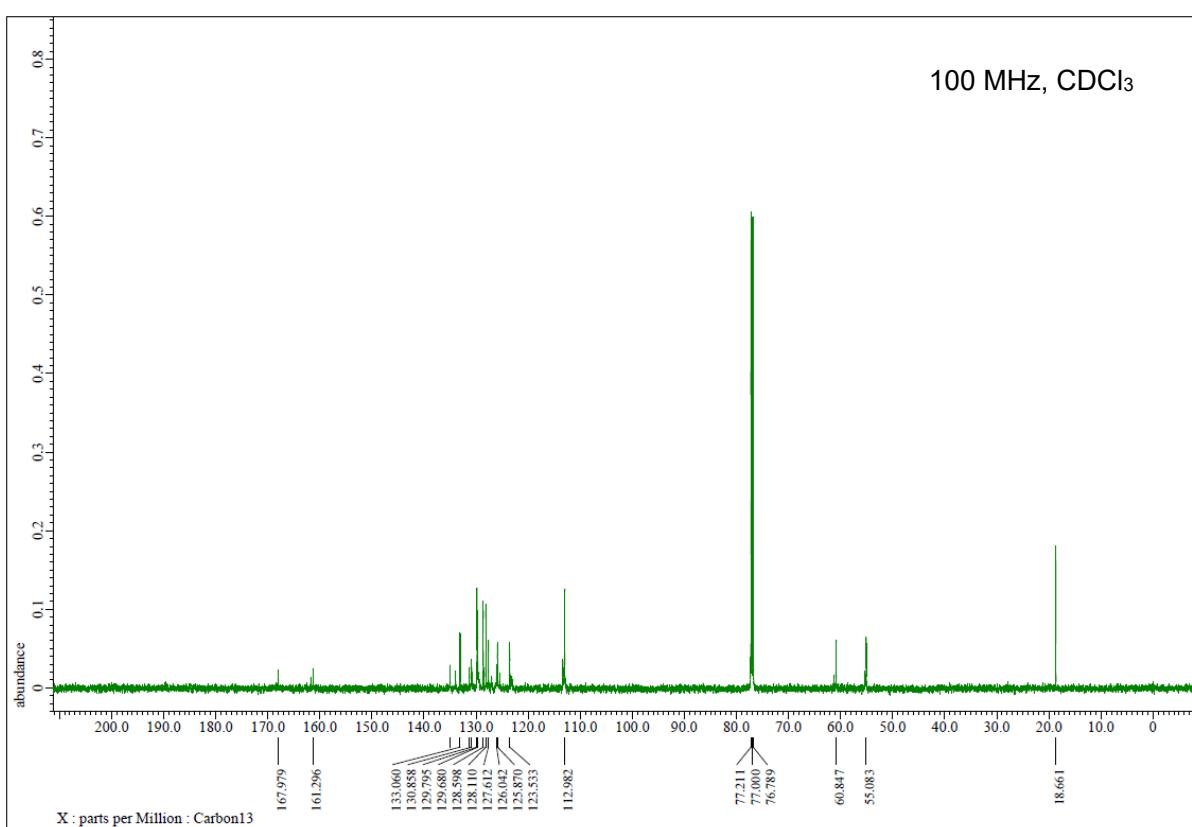
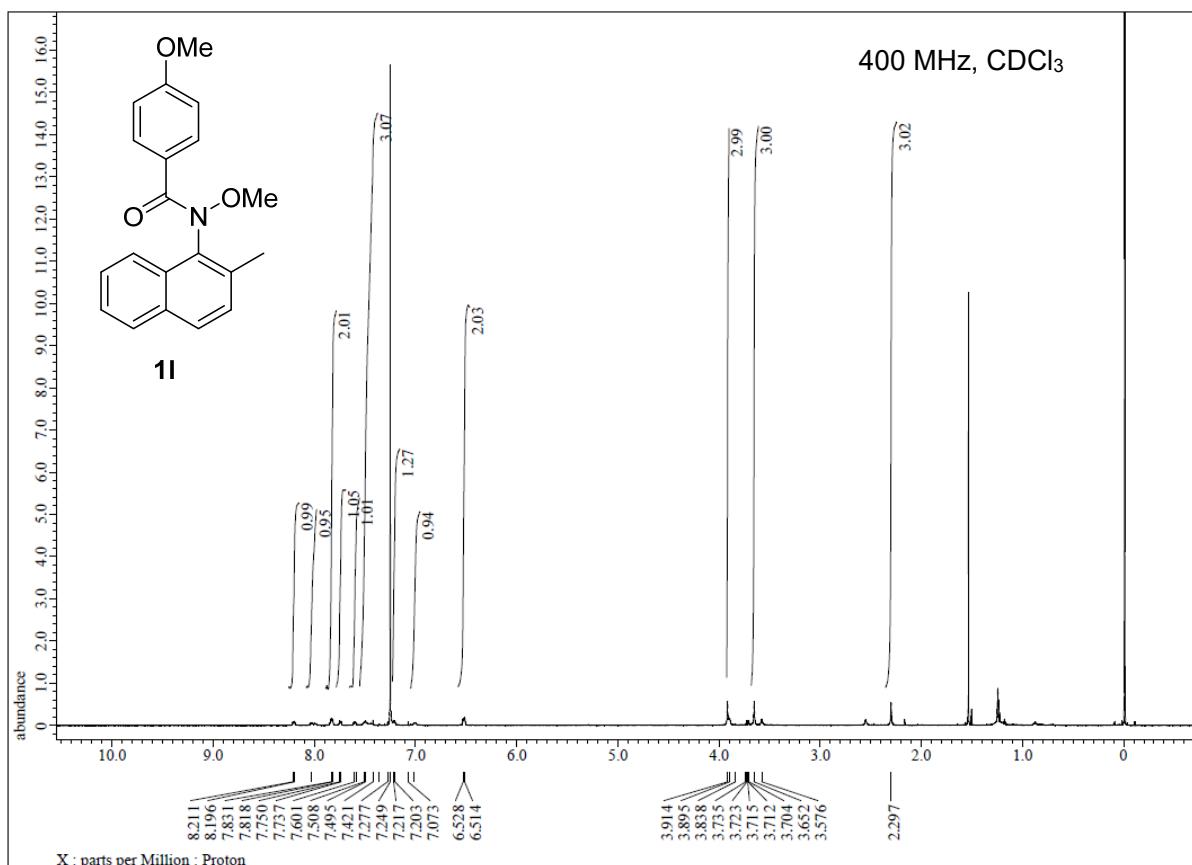


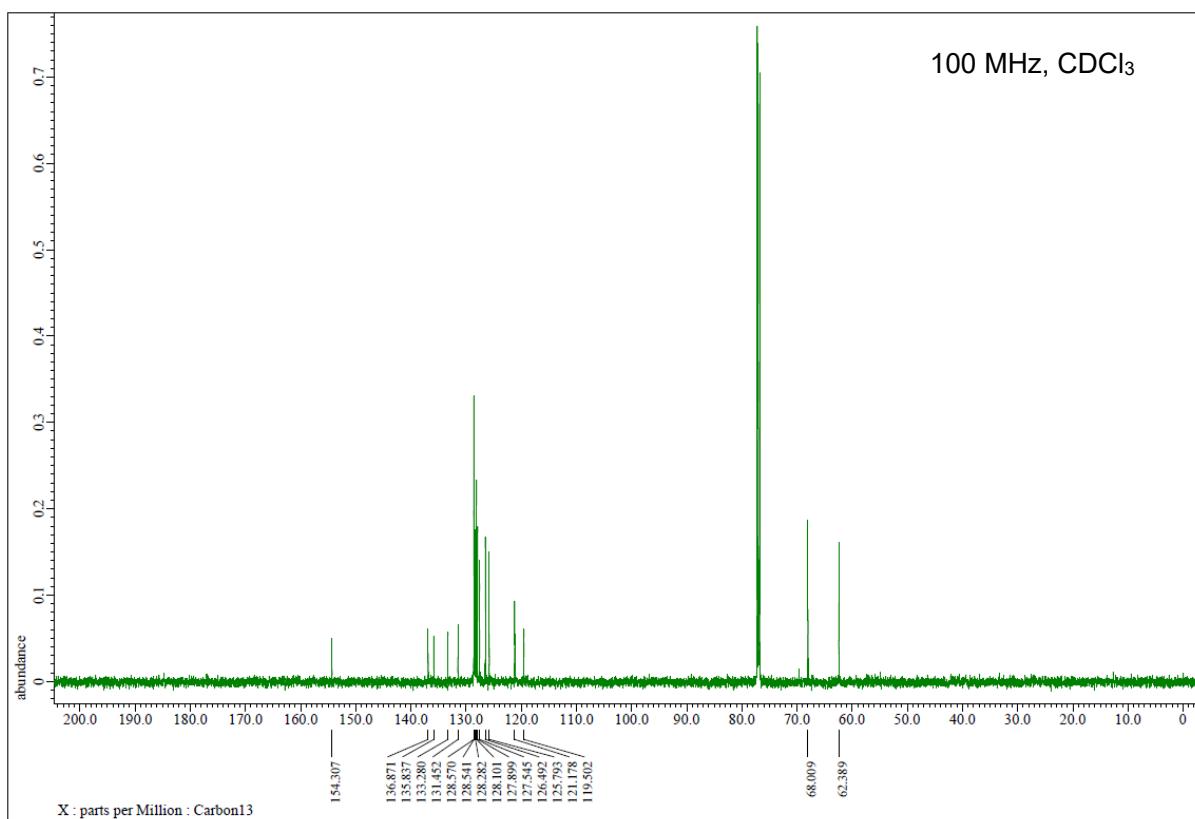
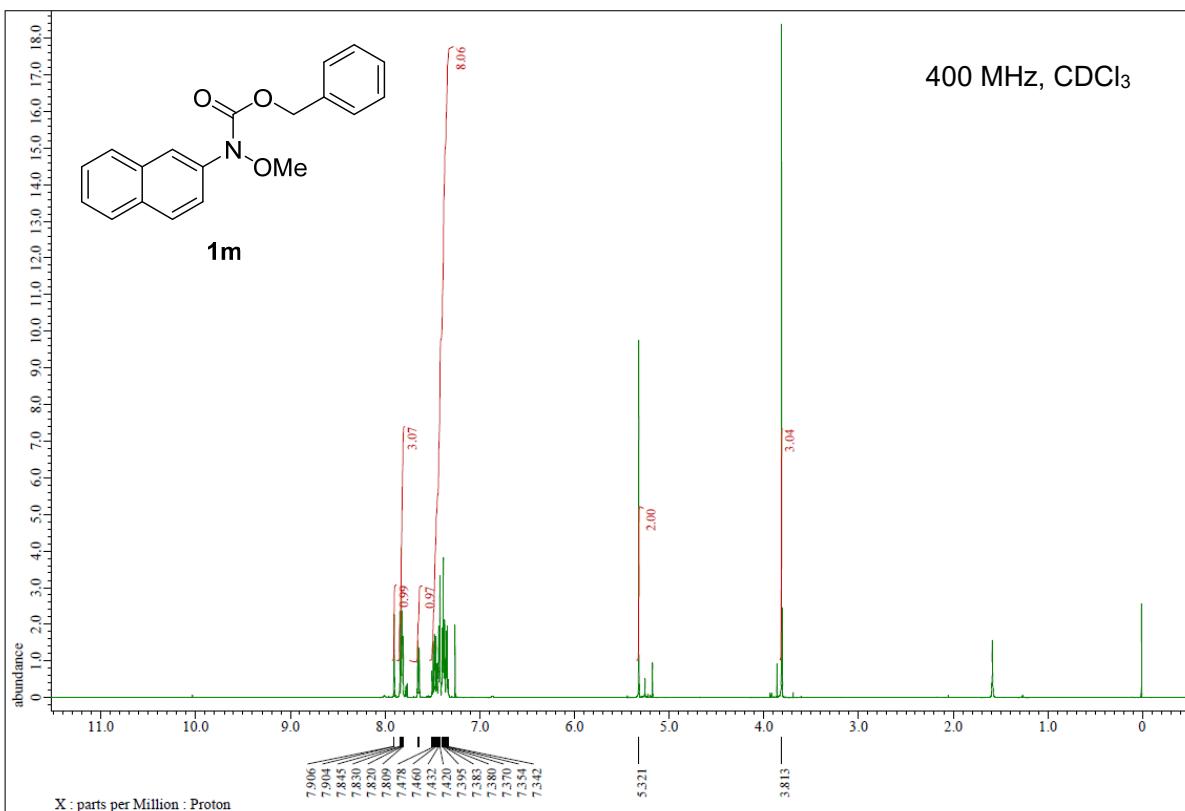


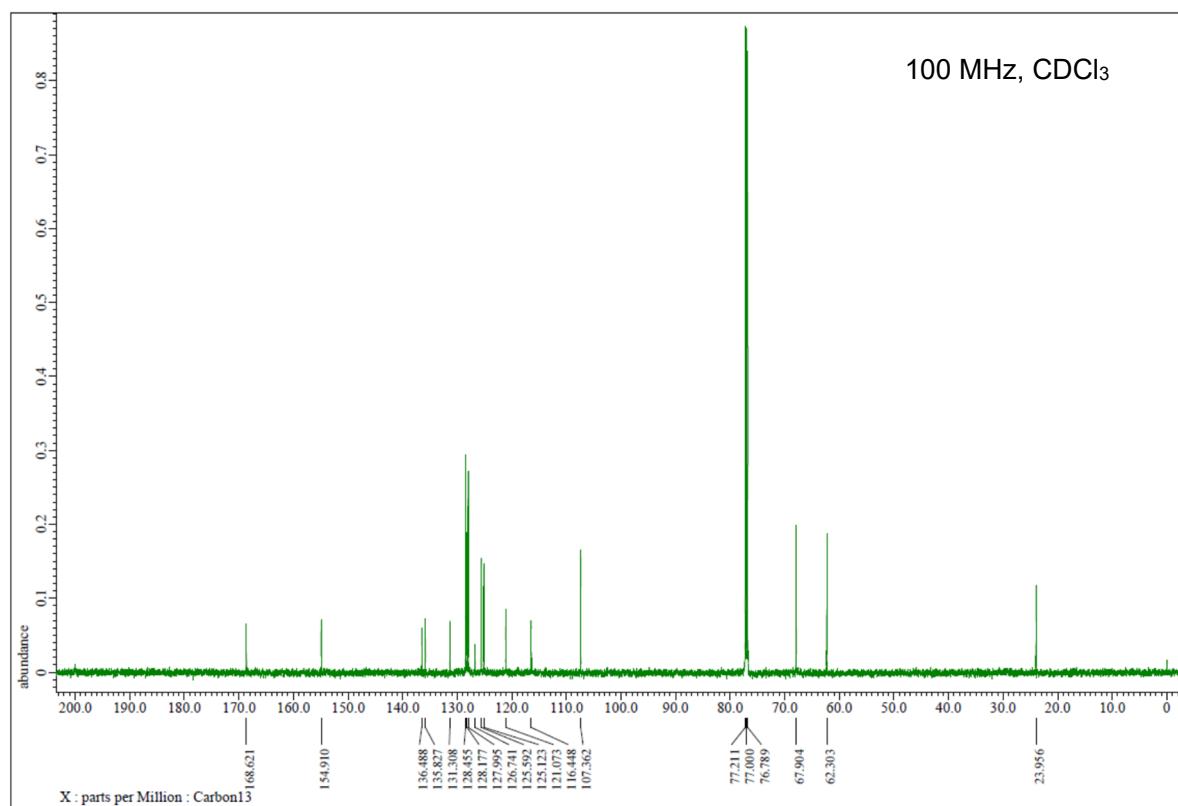
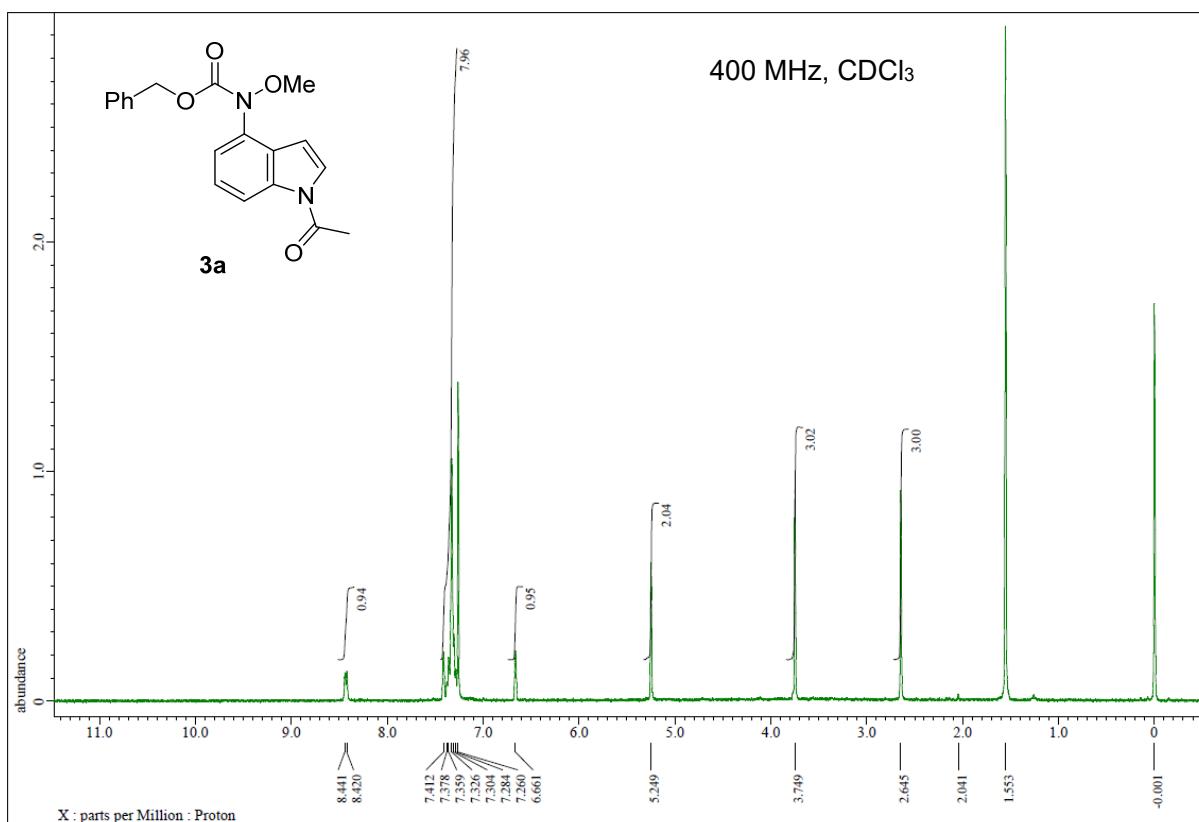


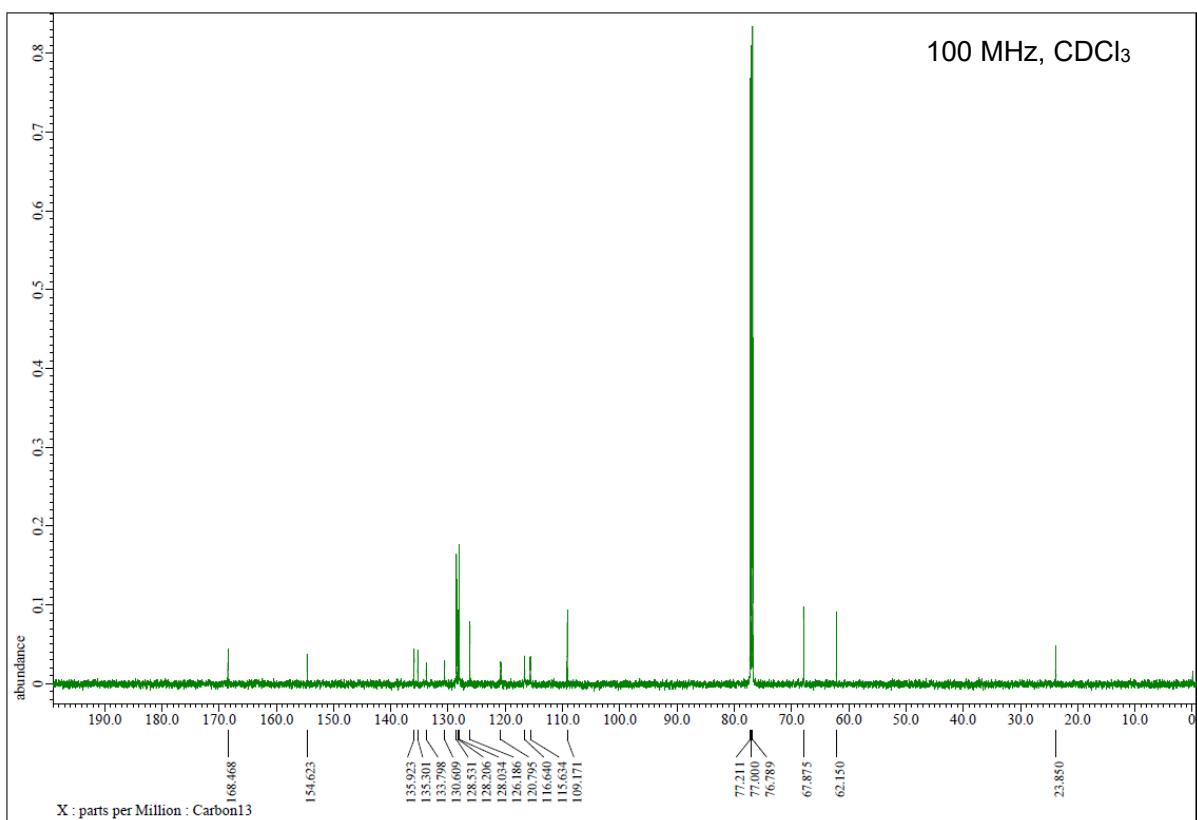
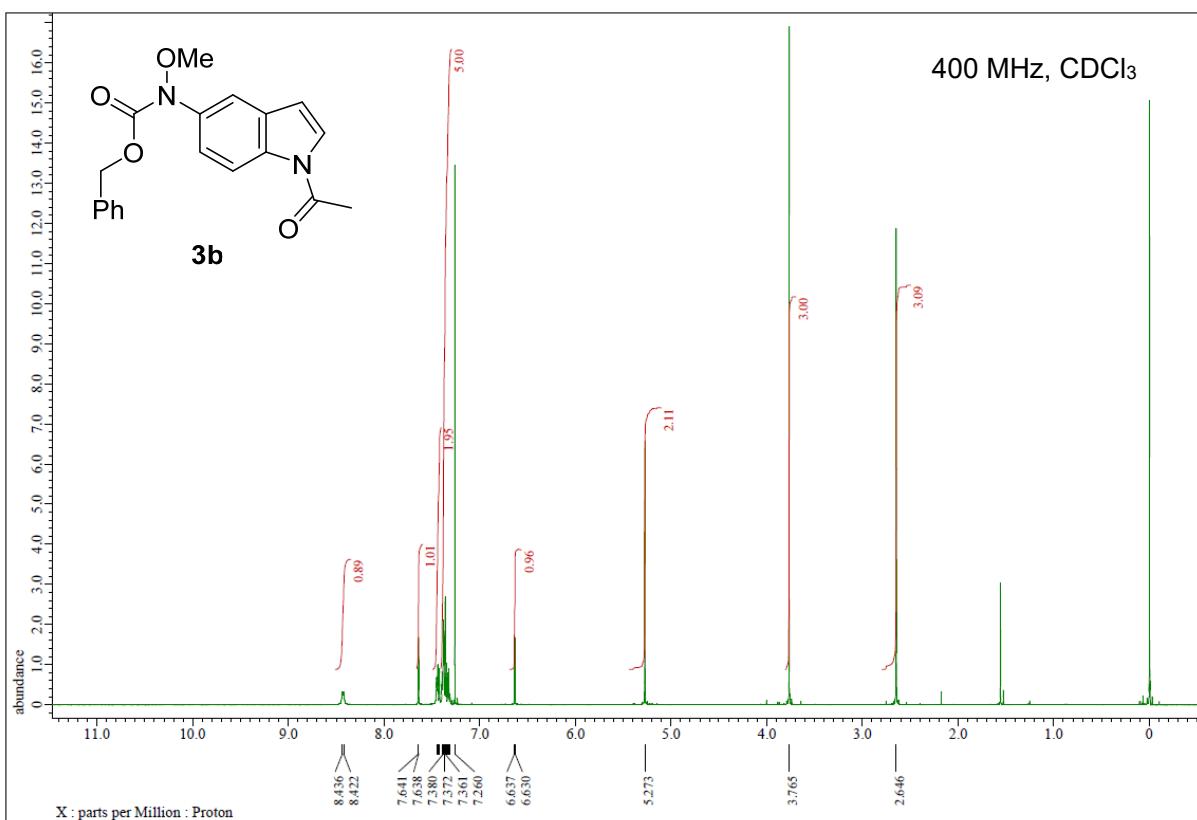




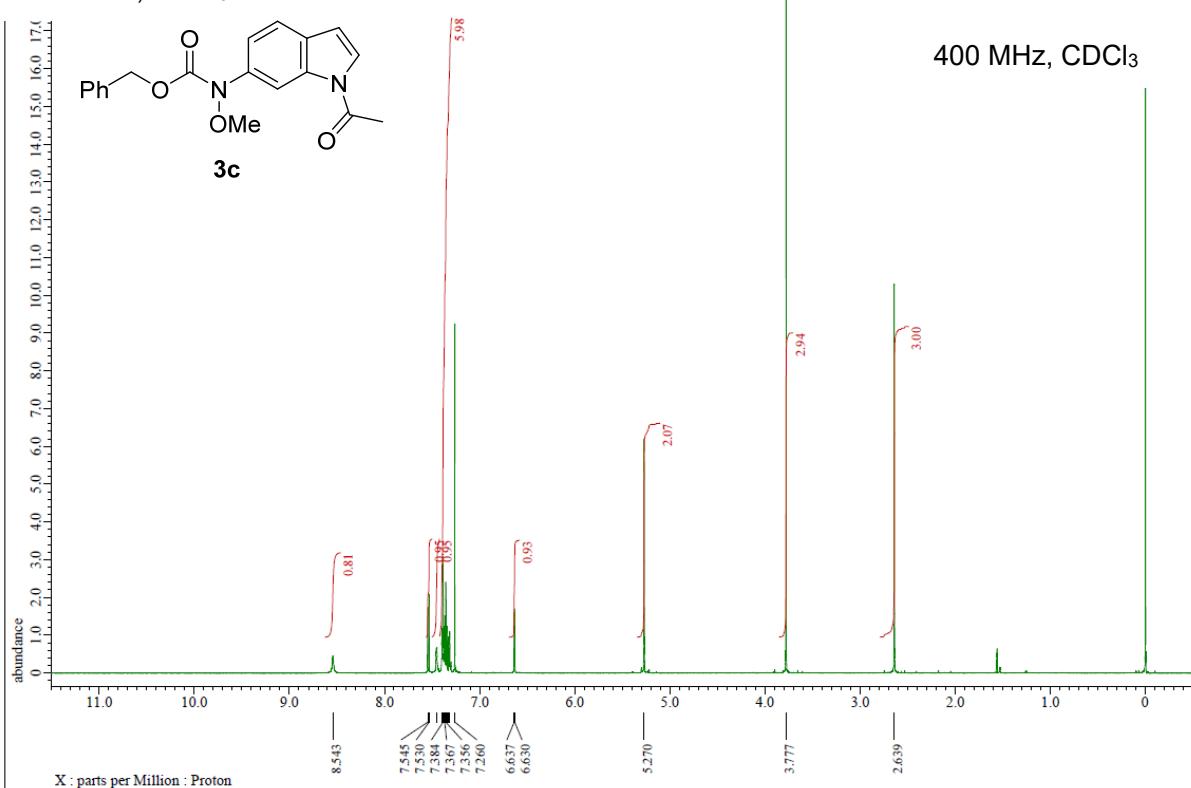




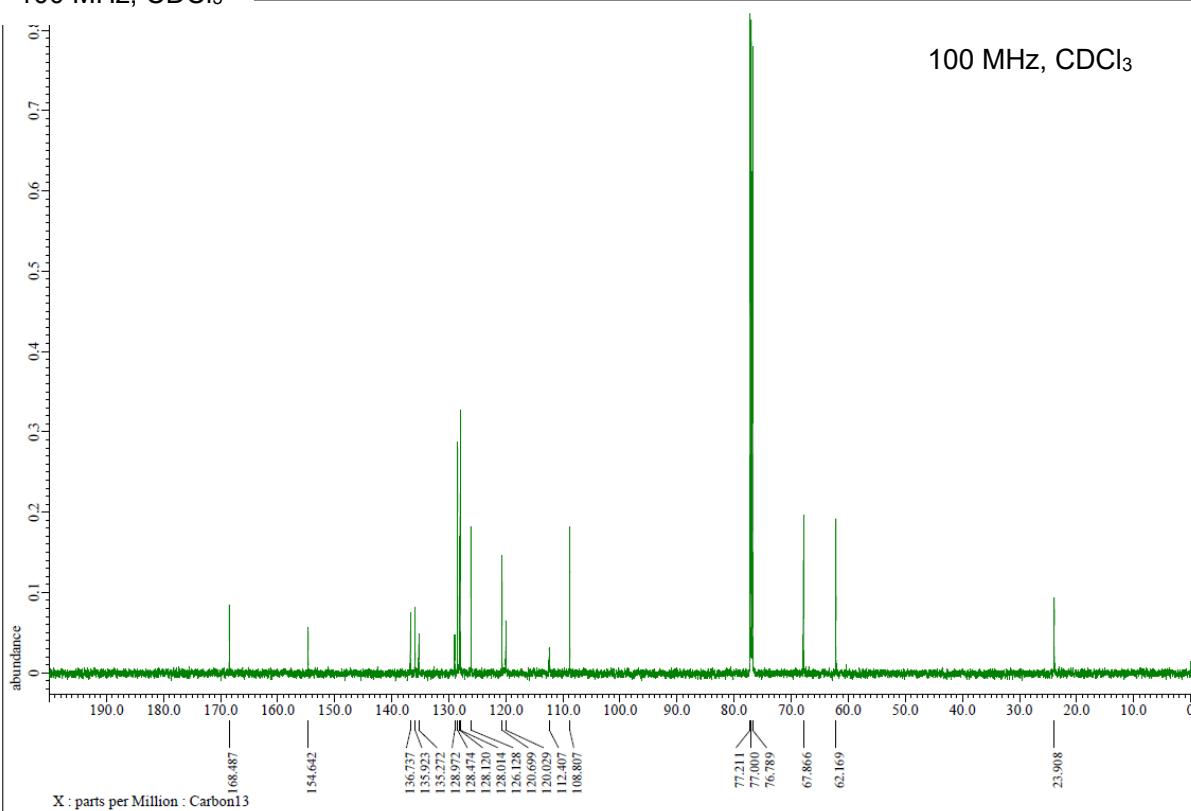


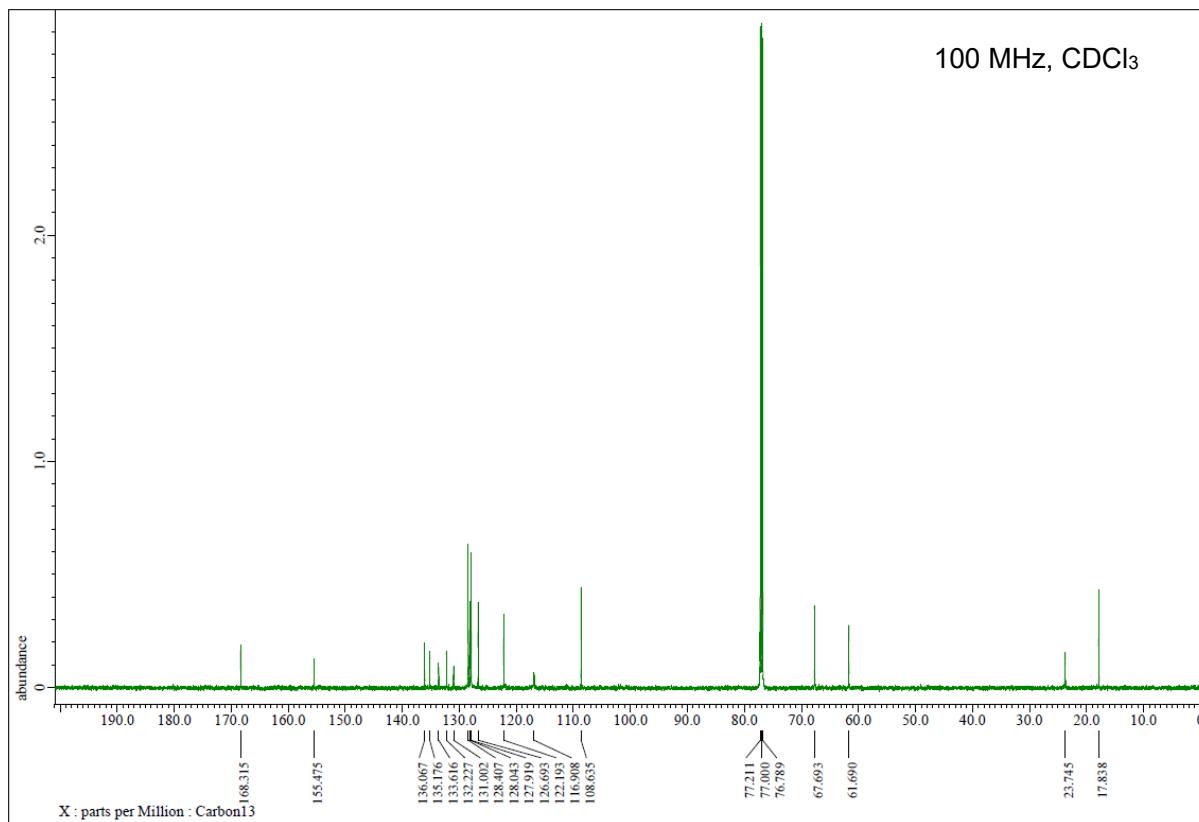
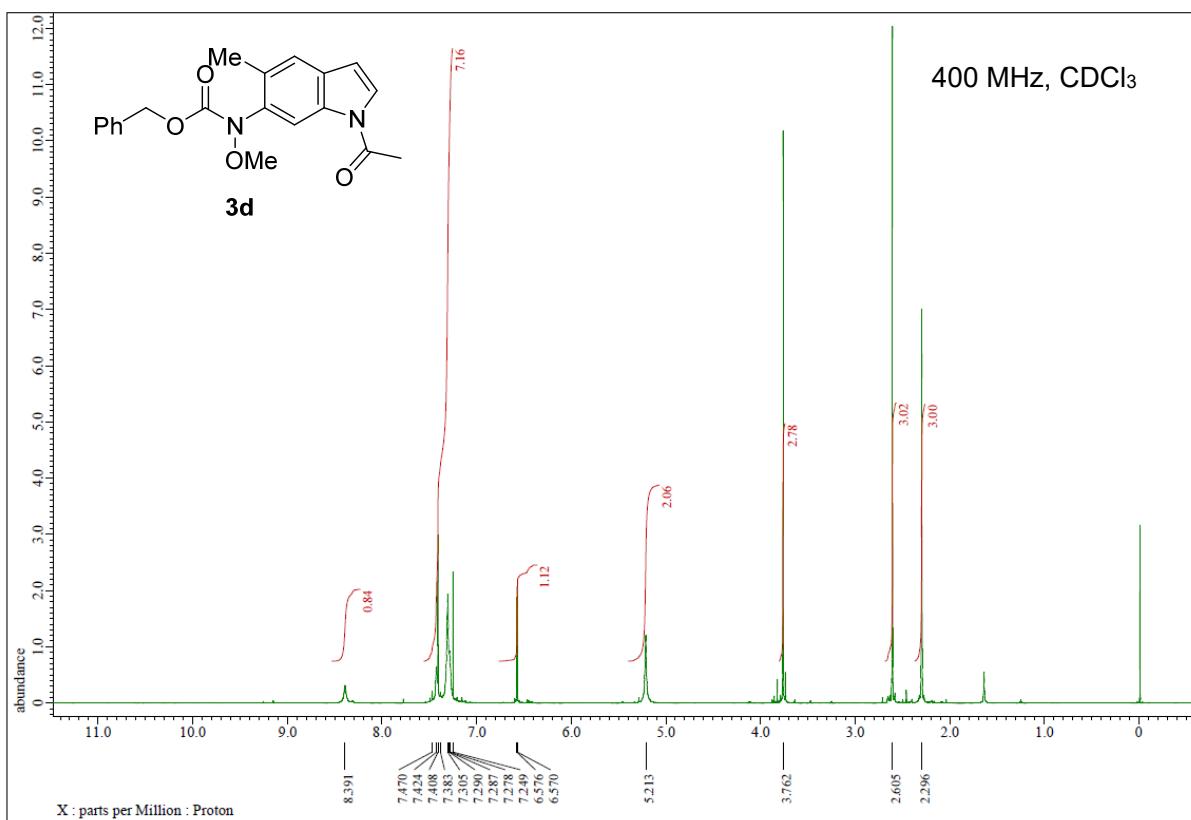


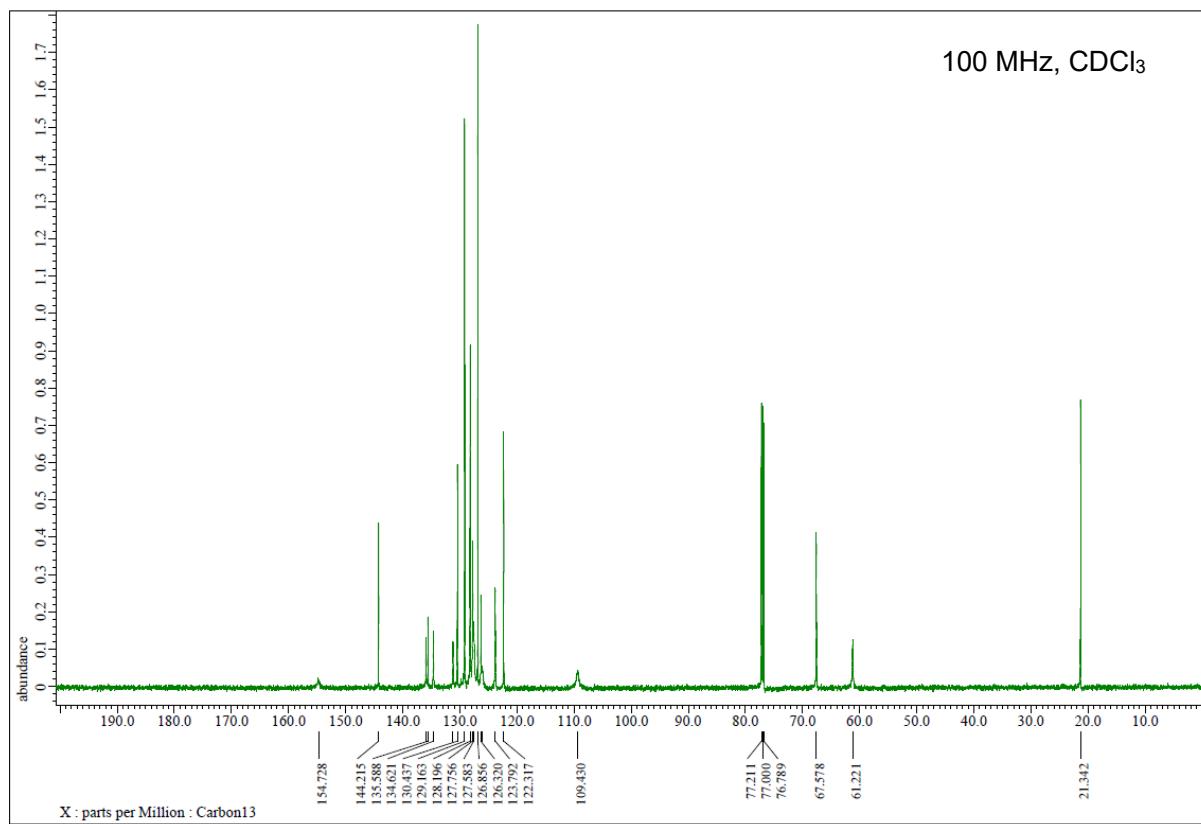
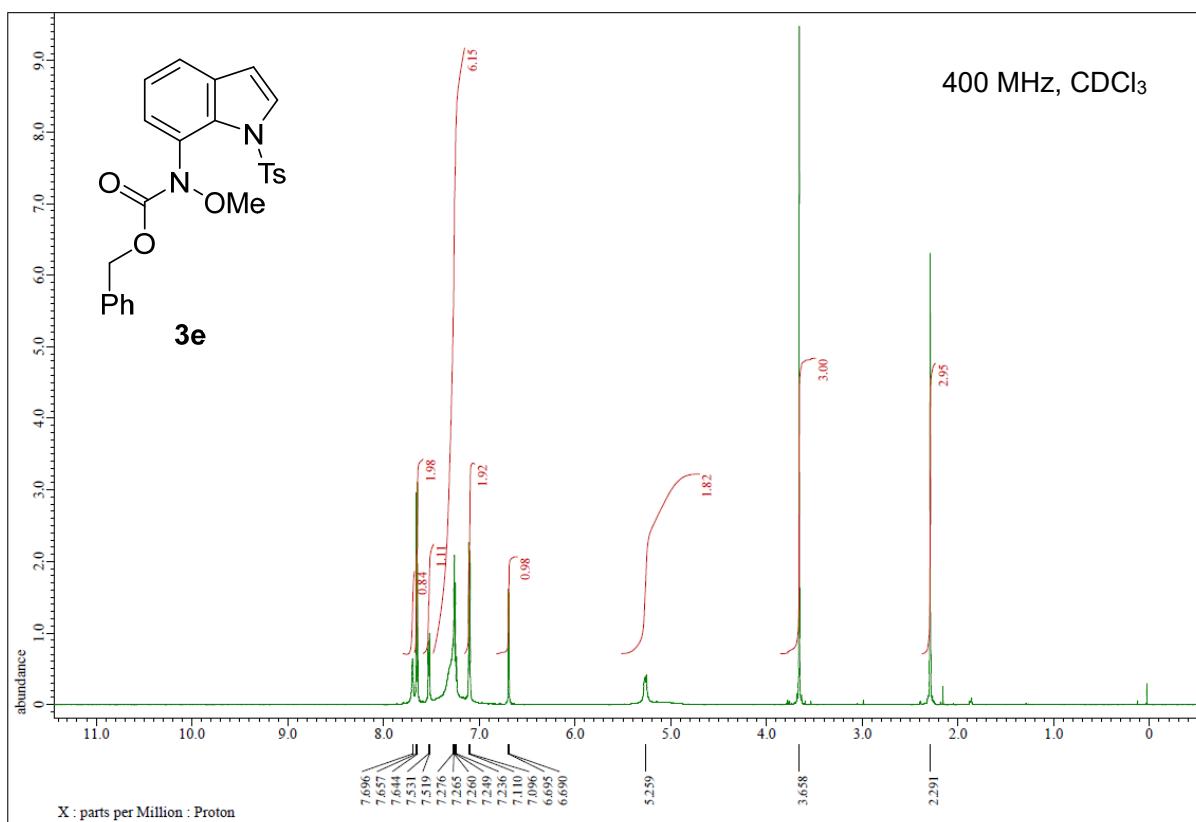
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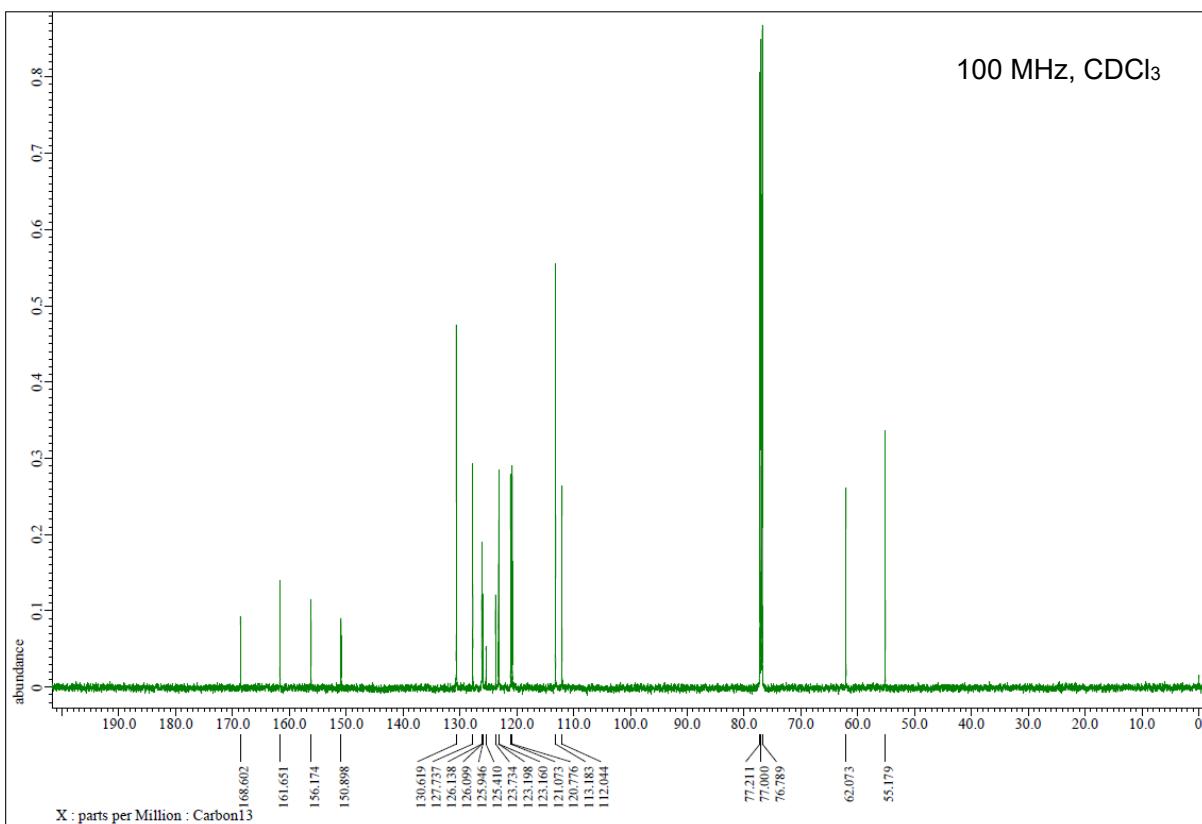
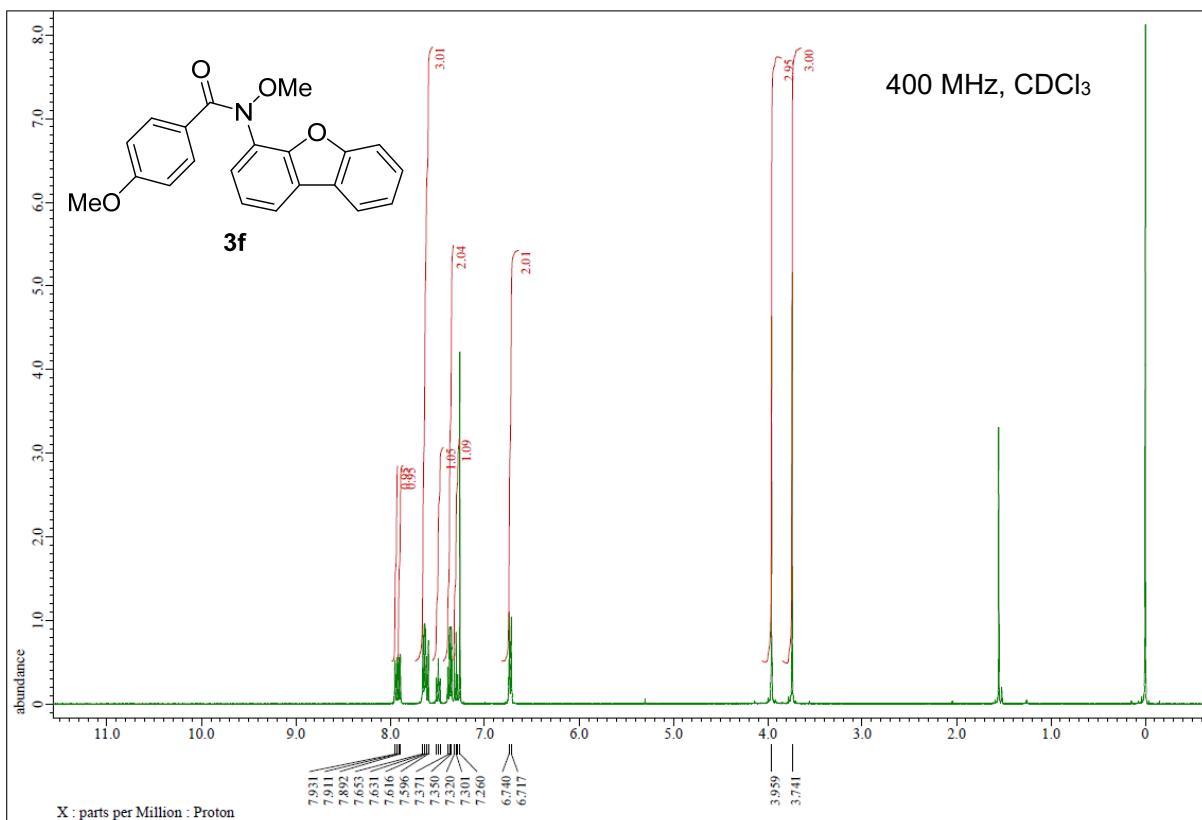


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## 9. NMR charts of products 2, 4, 6k, and 10

