

Supporting Information for

Synthesis of Nitrogen-Tethered 1,6-Enynes through CuI/TFA

Catalysis

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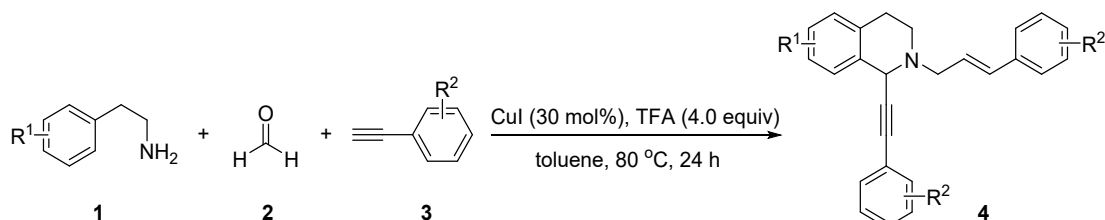
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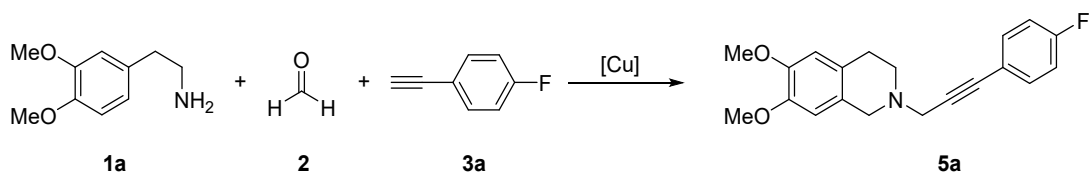
General Information

All commercially available reagents were used without purification unless otherwise noted. All reactions performed under air atmospheric pressure condition. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (100-200 mesh). Visualization of the compounds was accomplished with UV light (254 nm) and iodine. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 operating at 400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively. Proton chemical shifts are reported relative to the residual proton signals of the deuterated solvent CDCl_3 (7.29 ppm) or TMS. Carbon chemical shifts were internally referenced to the deuterated solvent signals in CDCl_3 (77.10 ppm). Chemical shifts are reported in δ (parts per million) values. Coupling constants J are reported in Hz. Proton coupling patterns were described as singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t), quartet (q), and multiple (m). High-resolution mass spectra were recorded on a liquid chromatograph mass spectrometer (LCMS-IT-TOF).

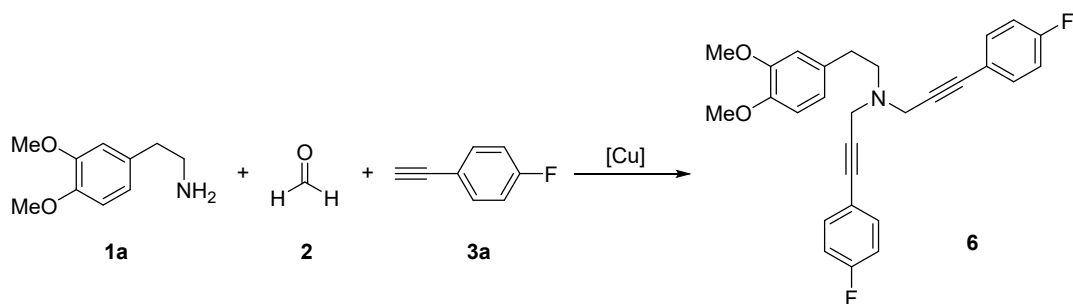
Experiment and Characterization Data



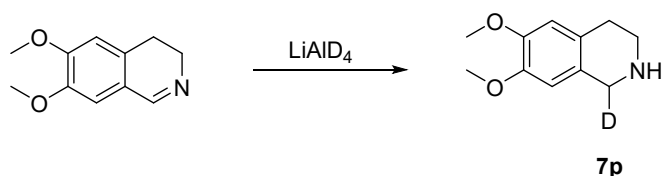
General Procedure for Synthesis of Compounds 4: In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the corresponding amine **1** (0.5 mmol), 37 w/w% solution **2** (1.5 mmol), alkyne **3** (1.0 mmol), CuI (30 mol%), TFA (4.0 equiv) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at $80\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 24 h. Afterwards, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated Na_2CO_3 (5.0 mL), then H_2O (5.0 mL) was added to the mixture and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL \times 3). Combined organic phase was washed with brine and dried over Na_2SO_4 , and then filtered, the solvent was removed in a rotary evaporator. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **4a–4z**.



Synthesis of Compounds 5a¹: In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethan-1-amine **1a** (905 mg, 5 mmol), 37 w/w% formaldehyde solution **2** (891 mg, 11 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (720 mg, 6 mmol), CuCl (30 mol%, 148 mg), TFA (570 mg, 1.0 equiv) and toluene (5.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. Afterwards, the reaction system was directly purified by running silica gel flash column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **5a** (1.12 g, 70% yield).



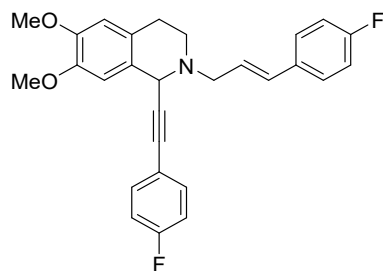
Synthesis of Compounds 6¹: In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethan-1-amine **1a** (905 mg, 5 mmol), 37 w/w% formaldehyde solution **2** (891 mg, 11 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene (1.2g, 10 mmol), CuI (20mol%, 190 mg), and toluene (5.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. Afterwards, the reaction system was directly purified by running silica gel flash column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **6** (1.78 g, 80% yield).



Synthesis of Compounds 7p²: 50 mL dry THF were added to 7 mmol LiAlD₄ (336 mg) followed by addition of 6,7-dimethoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline (0.764 mL, 4

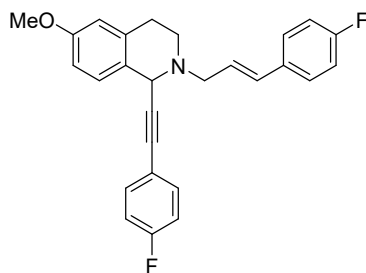
mmol) under nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was refluxed for 40 h, cooled to 0 °C, and a 30% NaOH solution (100 mL) was added slowly. The aqueous phase was separated and extracted with THF (200 mL). The combined organic phase was dried using Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to **7p** as yellow oil.

(E)-2-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



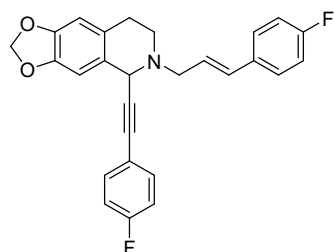
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4a** (144.6 mg, 65% yield) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.46–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 4H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 6.36–6.27 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.57 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.14–2.88 (m, 3H), 2.78 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 163.6 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 9.5 Hz), 161.1 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 7.0 Hz), 148.3, 147.5, 133.6 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 8.2 Hz), 133.2 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 3.3 Hz), 132.1, 127.9 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 8.0 Hz), 127.1, 126.5 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 2.4 Hz), 126.0, 119.3 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 3.6 Hz), 115.6 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 1.8 Hz), 115.4 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 1.5 Hz), 111.4, 110.5, 87.1 (d, *J*_(C-F) = 1.5 Hz), 85.7, 57.7, 56.0, 55.9, 54.2, 45.9, 28.5. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.18 (s, 1F), -114.45 (s, 1F). HRMS *m/z* (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆F₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 446.1926, found 452.1935.

(E)-2-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-6-methoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4b** (118.2 mg, 57% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.47–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.25 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.08–6.99 (m, 4H), 6.81–6.79 (m, 1H), 6.71–6.65 (m, 2H), 6.36–6.29 (m, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.66–3.52 (m, 2H), 3.14–3.00 (m, 2H), 2.95–2.80 (m, 2H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 163.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 7.0$ Hz), 161.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 4.7$ Hz), 158.6, 135.1, 133.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.2$ Hz), 133.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.3$ Hz), 132.1, 128.8, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.0$ Hz), 127.6, 126.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.2$ Hz), 119.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.7$ Hz), 115.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.3$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.8$ Hz), 113.4, 112.5, 87.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 1.5$ Hz), 85.6, 57.7, 55.2, 54.2, 45.7, 29.1. $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.21 (s, 1F), -114.48 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{F}_2\text{NO}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 416.1820, found 416.1826.

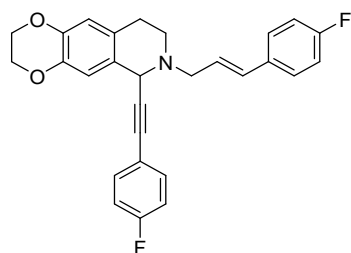
(E)-6-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-5-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-g]isoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4c** (128.7 mg, 60% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.46–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.06–6.99 (m, 4H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 6.33–6.26 (m, 1H), 5.96–5.91 (m, 2H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.60–3.49 (m, 2H), 3.09–3.02 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.94 (m, 1H), 2.92–2.86 (m, 1H), 2.79–2.72 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 163.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 10.3$

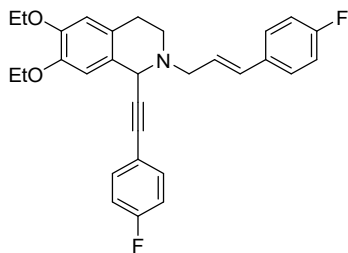
Hz), 161.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 7.8$ Hz), 146.9, 146.0, 133.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.4$ Hz), 133.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.3$ Hz), 132.3, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.0$ Hz), 127.1, 126.1, 119.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.4$ Hz), 115.5 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 21.9$ Hz), 108.5, 107.5, 100.9, 86.7, 85.8, 57.6, 54.5, 45.7, 28.8. **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.17 (s, 1F), -114.46 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₇H₂₁F₂NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺):452.1433, found 452.1439.

(E)-7-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-6-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-2,3,6,7,8,9-hexahydro-[1,4]dioxino[2,3-g]isoquinoline



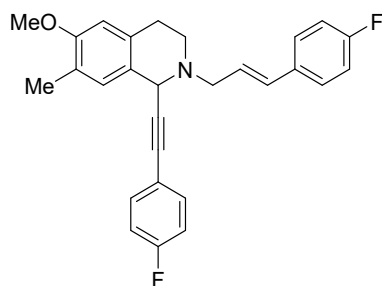
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4d** (155.0 mg, 70% yield) as yellow oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.39–7.29 (m, 4H), 6.95 (q, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 4H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.56 (d, $J = 12.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.26–6.17 (m, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 4.18 (s, 4H), 3.54–3.38 (m, 2H), 3.01–2.96 (m, 1H), 2.92–2.83 (m, 1H), 2.79 (d, $J = 13.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.68 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 163.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.2$ Hz), 161.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 5.7$ Hz), 142.8, 141.9, 133.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.2$ Hz), 133.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.3$ Hz), 132.1, 128.1, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.0$ Hz), 126.8, 126.3, 119.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.5$ Hz), 116.8, 115.9, 115.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.9$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.3$ Hz), 87.0, 85.6, 64.4, 64.4, 57.6, 54.1, 45.8, 28.1. **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.33 (s, 1F), -114.56 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₄F₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 444.1770, found 444.1771.

(E)-6,7-diethoxy-2-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4e** (125.3 mg, 53% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.45–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.03 (q, J = 8.6 Hz, 4H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 6.37–6.27 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 4.13–4.03 (m, 4H), 3.59–3.55 (m, 2H), 3.13–3.06 (m, 1H), 3.05–2.96 (m, 1H), 2.93 (d, J = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 1.48–1.45 (m, 3H), 1.45–1.42 (m, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 163.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 8.4 Hz), 161.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 6.1 Hz), 148.2, 147.1, 133.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 8.3 Hz), 133.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 3.2 Hz), 132.3, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 8.0 Hz), 127.0, 126.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 2.3 Hz), 126.0, 119.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 3.4 Hz), 115.5 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 22.3 Hz), 113.6, 112.8, 87.0, 85.7, 64.7, 64.5, 57.6, 54.1, 45.8, 28.3, 14.9, 14.8. $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ -111.30 (s, 1F), -114.53 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{30}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 474.2239, found 474.2241.

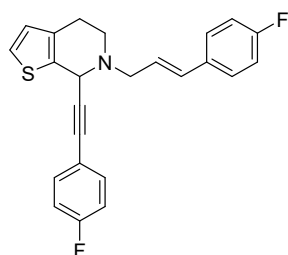
(E)-2-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-6-methoxy-7-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4f** (111.5 mg, 52% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.47–7.39 (m, 4H), 7.10–6.99 (m, 5H), 6.71–6.59 (m, 2H), 6.37–6.28 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.57 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.14–3.07 (m, 1H), 3.06–3.01 (m, 1H), 2.95–2.89 (m, 1H), 2.88–2.78 (m, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 163.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 5.4 Hz), 161.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 3.1 Hz), 156.9,

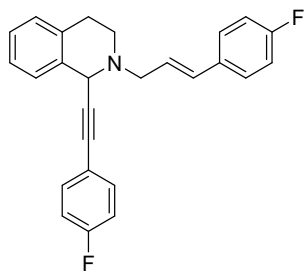
133.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.3$ Hz), 133.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.4$ Hz), 132.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 18.0$ Hz), 129.7, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.0$ Hz), 126.8, 126.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.2$ Hz), 124.7, 119.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.4$ Hz), 115.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 4.0$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 4.4$ Hz), 109.9, 87.4, 85.4, 57.7, 55.3, 54.0, 45.8, 29.0, 15.9. **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.47 (s, 1F), -114.63 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆F₂NO ([M+H]⁺): 430.1977, found 430.1983.

***(E)*-6-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-7-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrothieno[2,3-c]pyridine**



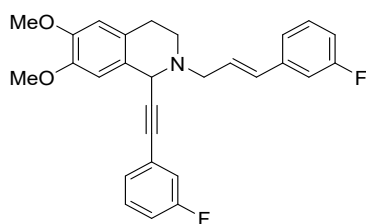
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4g** (78.2 mg, 40% yield) as light yellow oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.49–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.09–6.98 (m, 4H), 6.81 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.36–6.24 (m, 1H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 3.69–3.62 (m, 1H), 3.57–3.49 (m, 1H), 3.20–3.10 (m, 1H), 2.95–2.70 (m, 3H). **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 163.7 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 18.4$ Hz), 161.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 15.8$ Hz), 134.0 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 11.4$ Hz), 133.7 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.3$ Hz), 133.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.1$ Hz), 132.3, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.0$ Hz), 126.8, 126.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.3$ Hz), 123.8, 119.0 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.5$ Hz), 115.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 1.6$ Hz), 115.4, 86.4, 85.6, 57.2, 51.7, 46.2, 25.7. **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -110.94 (s, 1F), -114.42 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₄H₂₀F₂NS ([M+H]⁺): 392.1279, found 392.1286.

***(E)*-2-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline**



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4h** (100 mg, 52% yield) as light yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.47–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.16 (m, 1H), 7.10–6.98 (m, 4H), 6.68 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.37–6.26 (m, 1H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 3.58 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.19–3.04 (m, 2H), 2.98–2.82 (m, 2H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 163.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 9.0 Hz), 161.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 6.6 Hz), 135.1, 133.8, 133.7, 133.6, 133.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 3.3 Hz), 132.2, 129.0, 127.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 7.9 Hz), 127.8, 127.1, 126.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 2.4 Hz), 126.0, 119.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 3.6 Hz), 115.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 1.2 Hz), 115.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 1.7 Hz), 86.9, 85.9, 57.6, 54.6, 45.6, 28.7. **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.21 (s, 1F), -114.48 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₆H₂₂F₂N([M+H]⁺): 386.1715, found 386.1715.

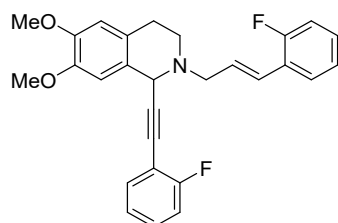
(E)-2-(3-(3-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((3-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4k** (140.1 mg, 63% yield) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.34–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.07–6.93 (m, 2H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.71–6.63 (m, 2H), 6.45–6.37 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.58 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.14–2.87 (m, 3H), 2.78 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 164.0 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 79.9 Hz), 161.5 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 81.0 Hz), 148.4, 147.5, 139.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 7.7 Hz), 132.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)}$ = 2.5 Hz), 130.1 (d,

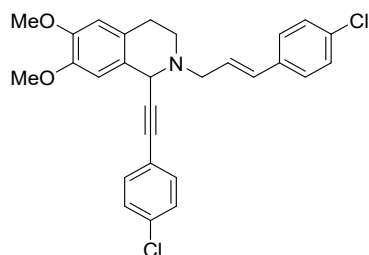
$J_{(C-F)} = 8.4$ Hz), 129.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.7$ Hz), 128.1, 127.7 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.0$ Hz), 126.7, 125.9, 124.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 9.5$ Hz), 122.3 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.7$ Hz), 118.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 22.7$ Hz), 115.5 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 21.1$ Hz), 114.4 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 21.3$ Hz), 112.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 21.7$ Hz), 111.4, 110.4, 88.3, 85.7 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.4$ Hz), 57.6, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.9, 28.4. **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -113.01 (s, 1F), -113.41 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆F₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 446.1926, found 446.1931.

(E)-2-(3-(2-fluorophenyl)allyl)-1-((2-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



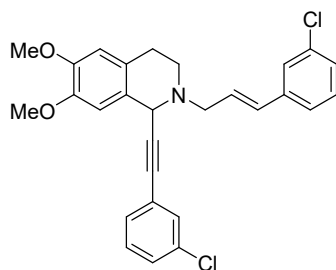
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4l** (142.4 mg, 64% yield) as yellow oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.57–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.19 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.03 (m, 4H), 6.92 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 6.56–6.44 (m, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.63 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.18–2.87 (m, 3H), 2.79 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 251.1$ Hz), 160.2 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 249.3$ Hz), 148.3, 147.5, 133.5, 129.8 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 7.8$ Hz), 129.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 4.6$ Hz), 128.8 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 8.3$ Hz), 127.5 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.8$ Hz), 126.7, 125.9 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 7.6$ Hz), 124.8 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 12.1$ Hz), 124.1 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.6$ Hz), 123.8 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.7$ Hz), 115.9, 115.6 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 10.3$ Hz), 115.3, 111.7 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 15.8$ Hz), 111.4, 110.5, 92.7 (d, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.6$ Hz), 80.1, 58.0, 56.0, 55.9, 54.3, 46.0, 28.5. **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -109.79 (s, 1F), -118.07 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆F₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 446.1926, found 446.1933.

(E)-2-(3-(4-chlorophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-chlorophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



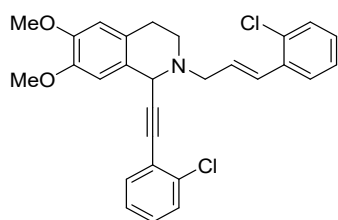
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4m** (119.5 mg, 50% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.40–7.34 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 4H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 2H), 6.41–6.32 (m, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 6H), 3.55 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.11–2.87 (m, 3H), 2.82–2.73 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 148.4, 147.5, 135.4, 134.2, 133.2, 133.0, 132.2, 128.8, 128.6, 127.6, 127.3, 126.7, 125.9, 121.6, 111.4, 110.4, 88.3, 85.7, 57.6, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.9, 28.4. **HRMS** m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 478.1335, found 478.1336.

(E)-2-(3-(3-chlorophenyl)allyl)-1-((3-chlorophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



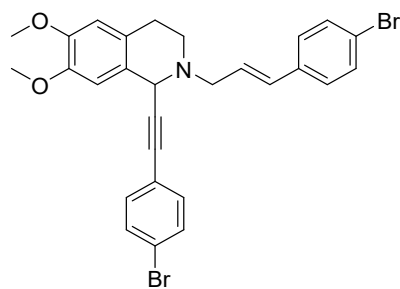
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4n** (104.9 mg, 44% yield) as light yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.44 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 3H), 7.26 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.69–6.61 (m, 2H), 6.46–6.36 (m, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.57 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.12–2.88 (m, 3H), 2.78 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 148.4, 147.5, 138.8, 134.6, 134.1, 132.0, 131.7, 129.9, 129.8, 129.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.5, 126.7, 126.4, 125.9, 124.8, 124.6, 111.4, 110.4, 88.6, 85.5, 57.6, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.9, 28.4. **HRMS** m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 478.1335, found 478.1336.

***(E)*-2-(3-(2-chlorophenyl)allyl)-1-((2-chlorophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline**



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4o** (140.4 mg, 59% yield) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.63–7.61 (m, 1H), 7.50–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.27–7.21 (m, 3H), 7.21–7.13 (m, 2H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 6.44–6.37 (m, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.73–3.66 (m, 2H), 3.22–3.12 (m, 1H), 3.07–3.01 (m, 1H), 2.99–2.92 (m, 1H), 2.84–2.75 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.3, 147.5, 136.0, 135.1, 133.4, 133.0, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 129.1, 128.5, 126.9, 126.9, 126.7, 126.4, 126.0, 123.1, 111.4, 110.5, 92.8, 83.7, 57.7, 56.0, 55.9, 54.4, 46.0, 28.5. HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆Cl₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 478.1335, found 478.1336.

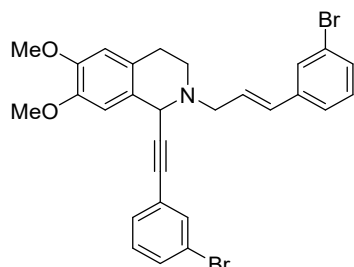
***(E)*-2-(3-(4-bromophenyl)allyl)-1-((4-bromophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline**



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4p** (163.8 mg, 58% yield) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.48–7.44 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.64 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.43–6.34 (m, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 6H), 3.55 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.12–2.88 (m, 3H), 2.77 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.4, 147.5, 135.9, 133.2, 132.2, 131.7, 131.5, 127.9, 127.5, 126.7, 125.9, 122.3,

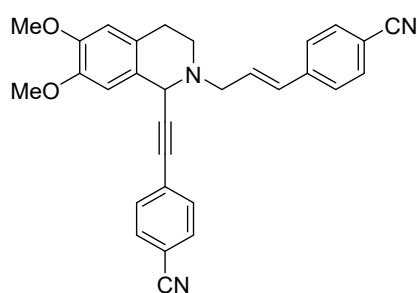
122.1, 121.4, 111.4, 110.4, 88.5, 85.8, 57.6, 56.0, 55.9, 54.2, 45.9, 28.4. **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆Br₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 566.0325, found 566.0325.

(E)-2-(3-(3-bromophenyl)allyl)-1-((3-bromophenyl)ethynyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4q** (157.9 mg, 56% yield) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.59 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.17 (m, 2H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 6.67–6.60 (m, 2H), 6.45–6.35 (m, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.56 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.11–2.88 (m, 3H), 2.77 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.4, 147.5, 139.1, 134.5, 131.9, 131.3, 130.4, 130.3, 130.1, 129.7, 129.4, 128.3, 126.6, 125.9, 125.1, 125.0, 122.8, 122.1, 111.4, 110.4, 88.7, 85.4, 57.6, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.9, 28.4. **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₂₈H₂₆Br₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 566.0325, found 566.0325.

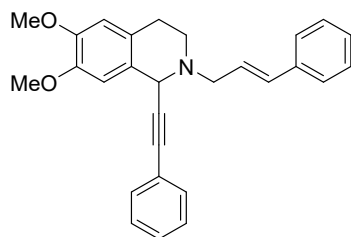
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Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4r** (84.9mg, 37 w/w% yield) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.62 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 7.56–7.47 (m, 4H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.71 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.58–6.46 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 6H), 3.59 (d,

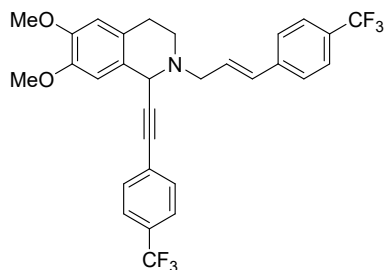
$J=6.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.12–2.90 (m, 3H), 2.80 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 148.6, 147.6, 141.3, 132.5, 132.3, 132.0, 131.6, 130.8, 127.9, 126.9, 126.0, 125.9, 118.9, 118.4, 111.6, 111.5, 110.9, 110.3, 92.0, 85.5, 57.5, 56.1, 55.9, 54.3, 46.0, 28.3. HRMS m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 460.2020, found 460.2020.

2-cinnamyl-6,7-dimethoxy-1-(phenylethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4s** (77.7 mg, 38% yield) as light yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.50–7.44 (m, 4H), 7.40–7.32 (m, 5H), 7.28 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 6.73 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 6.46–6.37 (m, 1H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.60 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.18–2.86 (m, 3H), 2.82–2.74 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 148.3, 147.5, 137.0, 133.4, 131.8, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 127.2, 126.7, 126.4, 126.0, 123.2, 111.4, 110.5, 87.4, 86.8, 57.8, 56.0, 55.9, 54.2, 45.9, 28.5. HRMS m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 410.2115, found 410.2112.

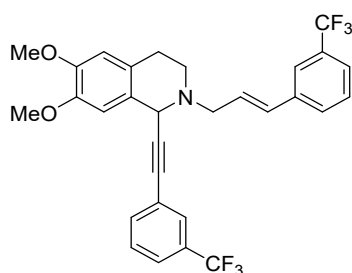
(E)-6,7-dimethoxy-2-(3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)allyl)-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4t** (109.0 mg, 40% yield) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.63–7.52 (m, 8H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.75 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.51 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H), 3.61 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H),

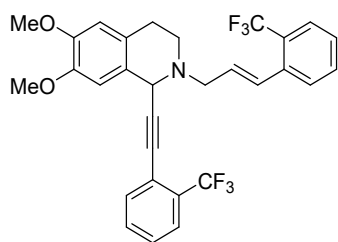
3.15–2.91 (m, 3H), 2.80 (d, $J=16.2$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.5, 147.6, 140.3, 132.2, 132.0, 130.1 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.7$ Hz), 129.2 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 19.0$ Hz), 128.2, 128.0, 126.8, 126.6, 126.2, 125.8, 125.6 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 4.0$ Hz), 125.2 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.7$ Hz), 111.4, 110.4, 89.7, 85.7, 57.5, 56.0, 55.7, 54.1, 45.9, 28.2. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -62.52 (s, 3F), -62.82 (s, 3F). HRMS m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{F}_6\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 546.1862, found 546.1862.

(E)-6,7-dimethoxy-2-(3-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)allyl)-1-((3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



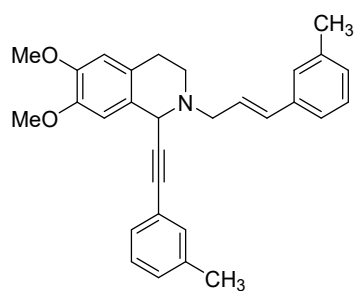
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4u** (133.5 mg, 49% yield) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.66–7.55 (m, 3H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.47 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.75 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.55–6.43 (m, 1H), 4.91 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.62 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 2H), 3.20–2.91 (m, 3H), 2.80 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.5, 147.6, 137.6, 134.9, 132.1, 131.0 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 32.4, 14.0$ Hz), 129.5, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.9$ Hz), 126.4, 125.8, 124.2 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 3.9$ Hz), 124.0, 123.2 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 4.0$ Hz), 122.7, 111.4, 110.3, 88.8, 85.5, 57.5, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.9, 28.3. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -62.82 (s, 3F), -62.95 (s, 3F). HRMS m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{F}_6\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 546.1862, found 546.1862.

(E)-6,7-dimethoxy-2-(3-(2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)allyl)-1-((2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4v** (144.1 mg, 53% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.12 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.43–6.31 (m, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H), 3.65 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.15–3.08 (m, 1H), 3.06–2.97 (m, 1H), 2.93 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 148.3, 147.5, 136.3 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 1.9$ Hz), 134.1, 131.9, 131.2 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 15.5$ Hz), 129.3, 129.2, 127.8, 127.5, 127.2, 126.6, 126.0, 125.7 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 5.3$ Hz), 125.0, 123.0, 122.3, 121.4 (q, $J_{(C-F)} = 2.4$ Hz), 111.4, 110.4, 93.6, 82.9, 57.5, 55.9, 55.9, 54.5, 45.9, 28.5. $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ -59.52 (s, 3F), -62.08 (s, 3F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{F}_6\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 546.1862, found 546.1862.

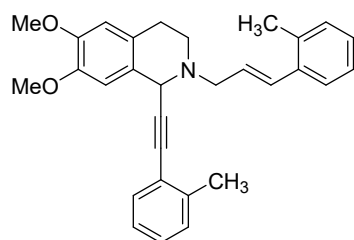
(E)-6,7-dimethoxy-2-(3-(*m*-tolyl)allyl)-1-(*m*-tolylethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4w** (72.1 mg, 33% yield) as light yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.30 (s, 3H), 7.28–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.74–6.63 (m, 2H), 6.45–6.36 (m, 1H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.59 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.17–2.88 (m, 3H), 2.79 (d, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.37 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz,

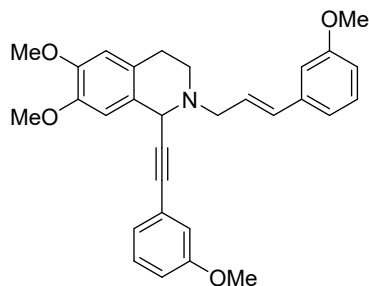
Chloroform-d) δ 148.2, 147.4, 138.2, 137.9, 137.0, 133.5, 132.4, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.3, 127.2, 126.5, 125.9, 123.6, 123.1, 111.4, 110.5, 87.0, 86.9, 57.8, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.9, 28.5, 21.4, 21.2. **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₀H₃₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 438.2428, found 438.2425.

***(E)*-6,7-dimethoxy-2-(3-(*o*-tolyl)allyl)-1-(*o*-tolylethynyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline**



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4x** (104.6 mg, 48% yield) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.57–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.12 (m, 6H), 6.95 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.35–6.27 (m, 1H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.64 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.16–3.09 (m, 1H), 3.08–2.99 (m, 1H), 2.95–2.92 (m, 1H), 2.80 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.2, 147.4, 140.0, 136.1, 135.3, 132.0, 131.2, 130.3, 129.4, 128.1, 127.9, 127.5, 126.2, 125.9, 125.7, 125.5, 123.1, 111.4, 110.4, 91.4, 85.8, 58.1, 56.0, 55.9, 54.3, 45.9, 28.6, 21.1, 19.9. **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₀H₃₂NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): 438.2428, found 438.2425.

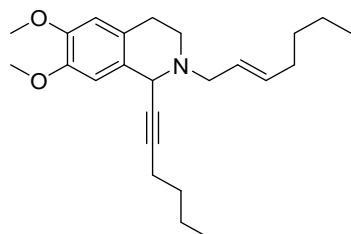
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Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4y** (131.3 mg, 56% yield) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz,

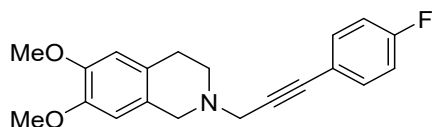
Chloroform-d) δ 7.32–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.12–7.03 (m, 2H), 7.01 (s, 2H), 6.93–6.86 (m, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.47–6.35 (m, 1H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.59 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.17–2.88 (m, 3H), 2.79 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 159.9, 159.3, 148.3, 147.5, 138.5, 133.3, 129.6, 129.3, 127.1, 127.0, 126.0, 124.4, 124.2, 119.2, 116.8, 114.6, 113.4, 111.6, 111.4, 110.5, 87.2, 86.6, 57.7, 56.0, 55.9, 55.3, 55.2, 54.2, 45.9, 28.5. **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_4$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 470.2326, found 470.2332.

***(E)*-2-(hept-2-en-1-yl)-1-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline**



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **4z** (72.1 mg, 39% yield) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 5.79–5.67 (m, 1H), 5.61–5.50 (m, 1H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.35–3.18 (m, 2H), 2.97–2.84 (m, 2H), 2.78–2.66 (m, 2H), 2.27–2.19 (m, 2H), 2.09 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.54–1.30 (m, 8H), 0.97–0.87 (m, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 148.06, 147.35, 134.83, 128.26, 126.40, 125.89, 111.43, 110.66, 86.64, 77.92, 57.32, 55.95, 55.84, 53.75, 45.42, 32.04, 31.43, 31.04, 28.39, 22.18, 21.92, 18.49, 13.86, 13.51. **HRMS** m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{36}\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 370.2741, found 370.2744.

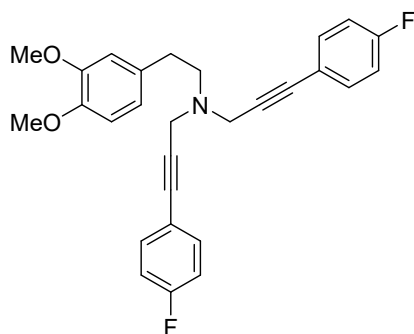
***2*-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline**



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **5a** (1.13 g, 70% yield) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz,

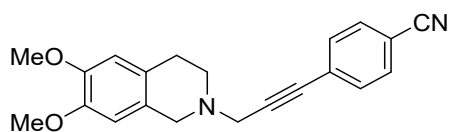
Chloroform-d) δ 7.44–7.40 (m, 2H), 6.99 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 2.89 (s, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.4 (d, $J = 249.1$ Hz), 147.7, 147.4, 133.6 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 126.4, 125.8, 119.2 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 115.6, 115.4, 111.5, 109.6, 84.3 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz), 55.9, 55.9, 54.2, 50.0, 47.5, 28.8. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.25 (s, 1F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{FNO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 326.1551, found 326.1542.

N-(3,4-dimethoxyphenethyl)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-*N*-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)prop-2-yn-1-amine



Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **6** (1.78g, 80% yield) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.48–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.01 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 4H), 6.81 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 4H), 2.98–2.94 (m, 2H), 2.88–2.84 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.4 (d, $J = 249.3$ Hz), 149.0, 147.6, 133.6 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 132.6, 120.6, 119.2 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 115.6, 115.4, 112.2, 111.5, 84.3 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz), 84.2, 56.0, 55.8, 55.1, 43.4, 33.9. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ -111.08 (s, 2F). **HRMS** m/z (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 446.1926, found 446.1925.

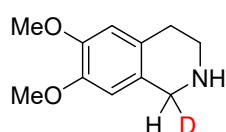
4-(3-(6,7-dimethoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)prop-1-yn-1-yl)benzotrile



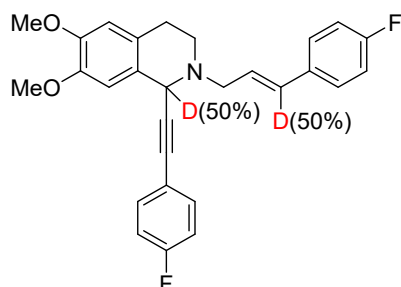
Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum

ether) afforded **5p** (83 mg, 50% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.59 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 3.85 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 6H), 3.76 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 4H), 2.90 (s, 4H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 147.7, 147.4, 132.2, 132.0, 128.0, 126.2, 125.6, 118.4, 111.6, 109.6, 89.5, 84.0, 56.0, 55.9, 54.2, 50.1, 47.5, 28.8. **HRMS** m/z (ESI $^+$): Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 333.1598, found 333.1588.

6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline



50 mL dry THF were added to 8 mmol LiAlD_4 (0.336 mg) followed by addition of 6,7-dimethoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline (4 mmol, 0.764 mL) under nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was refluxed for 40 h, cooled to 0 $^\circ\text{C}$, 30% NaOH (100 mL) was added slowly to the reaction. The aq. phase was separated and extracted with THF (200 mL). The combined org. phase was dried (Na_2SO_4) and concentrated under reduced pressure to (yield 60-70% in two steps) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.10 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.70 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.67 (s, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 147.6, 147.4, 126.5, 126.3, 112.1, 109.3, 55.9, 43.5, 29.6, 28.23

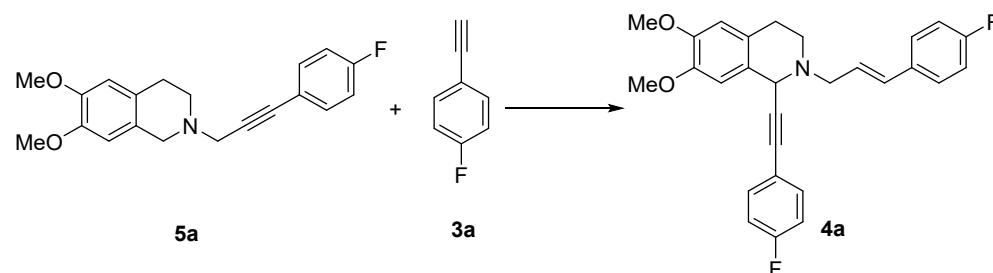


Purified by silica gel column chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) afforded **9** (64.2 mg, 58% yield) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 7.47–7.36 (m, 4H), 7.03 (q, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 4H), 6.79 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, $J = 19.0$ Hz, 1.5H), 6.37 – 6.25 (m, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 6H), 3.56 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.13 – 2.96 (m, 2H), 2.95 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 2.77 (d, $J = 15.1$ Hz, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 163.6 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz), 161.1 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz), 148.4, 147.5, 133.6, 133.6, 132.2, 127.9 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz), 127.8 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz), 126.3 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 126.2, 125.9, 119.2 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 115.6, 115.4, 111.5, 110.6 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz), 87.0 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz), 85.7 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz), 57.6, 56.0, 55.9, 54.1, 45.8, 28.4.
 ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -111.18(s,1F), -114.45(s,1F).

Control Experiments

Scheme 2a



Standard Conditions:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the propargylamine **5a** (81 mg, 0.25 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (30 mg, 0.25 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg), TFA (114 mg, 4.0 equiv) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The desired product **4a** not detected.

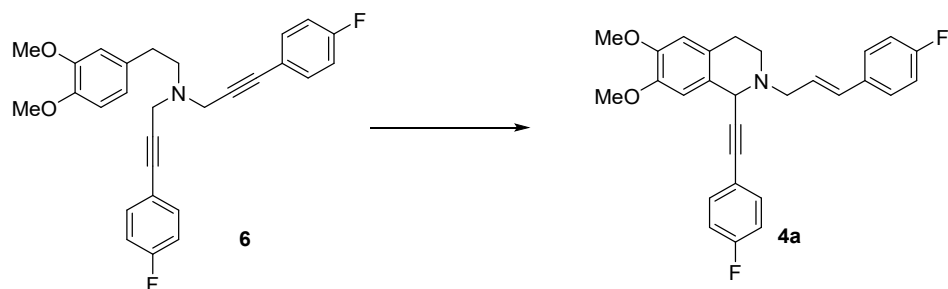
Conditions A:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the propargylamine **5a** (81 mg, 0.25 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (30 mg, 0.25 mmol), TFA (114 mg, 4.0 equiv) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The desired product **4a** not detected.

Conditions B:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the propargylamine **5a** (81 mg, 0.25 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (30 mg, 0.25 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **4a** in 25% yield.

Scheme 2b



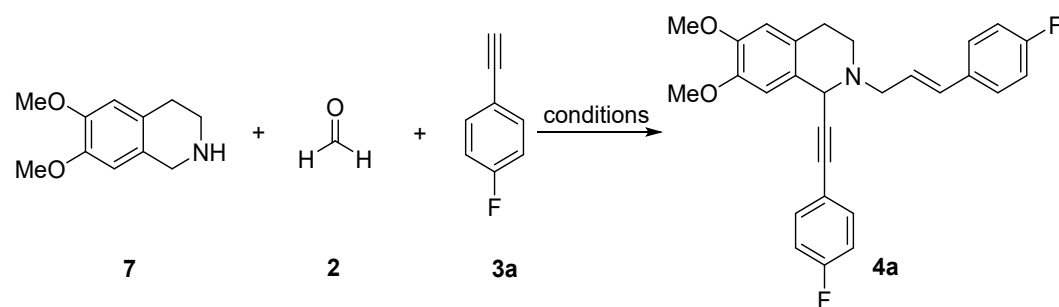
Standard Conditions:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the propargylamine **6** (111.25 mg, 0.25 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg), TFA (114 mg, 4.0 equiv), and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The desired product **4a** not detected.

Conditions A:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the propargylamine **6** (111.25 mg, 0.25 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The desired product **4a** not detected.

Scheme 2c



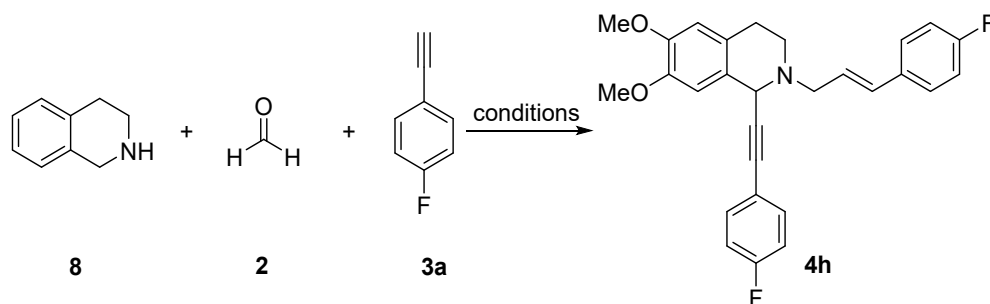
Standard Conditions:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the amine **7** (48 mg, 0.25 mmol), 37 w/w% formaldehyde solution **2** (49 mg, 0.6 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (72 mg, 0.6 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg), TFA (114 mg, 4.0 equiv) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **4a** in 71%.

Conditions A:

In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the amine **7** (48 mg, 0.25 mmol), 37 w/w% formaldehyde solution **2** (49 mg, 0.6 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (120 mg, 0.6 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **4a** in 20%.

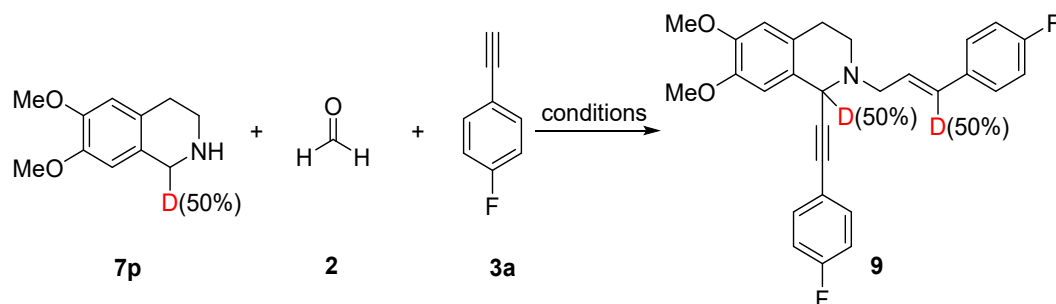
Scheme 2d



Standard Conditions:

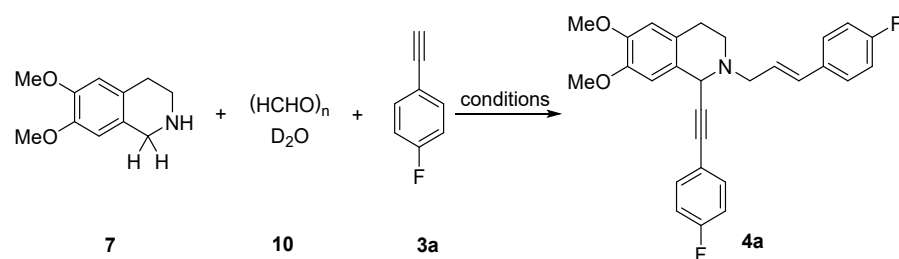
In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the amine **8** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol), 37 w/w% formaldehyde solution **2** (49 mg, 0.6 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (72 mg, 0.6 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg), TFA (114 mg, 4.0 equiv) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **4h** in 52%.

Scheme 2e



In the air atmosphere, a 10 mL reaction tube was charged with the amine **7p** (48 mg, 0.25 mmol), 37 w/w% formaldehyde solution **2** (49 mg, 0.6 mmol), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene **3a** (72 mg, 0.6 mmol), CuI (30 mol%, 14 mg), TFA (114 mg, 4.0 equiv) and toluene (2.0 mL), then sealed. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (25–50% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether) to afford the desired products **9** in 58%.

Scheme 2f



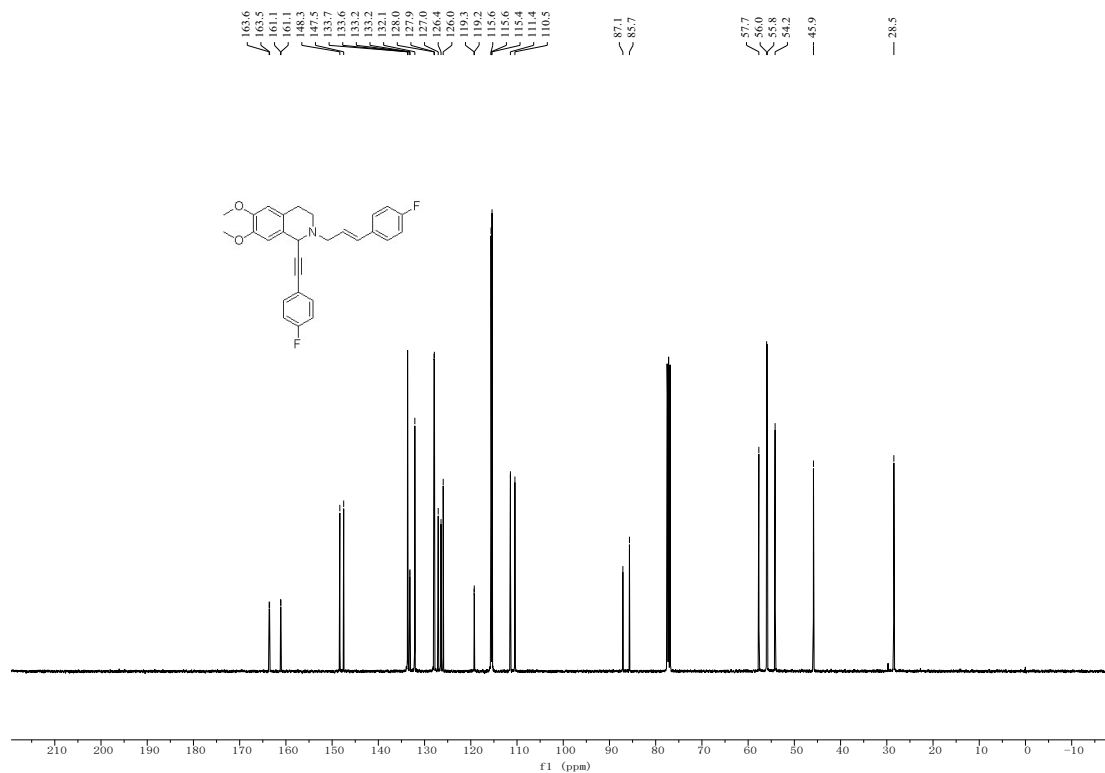
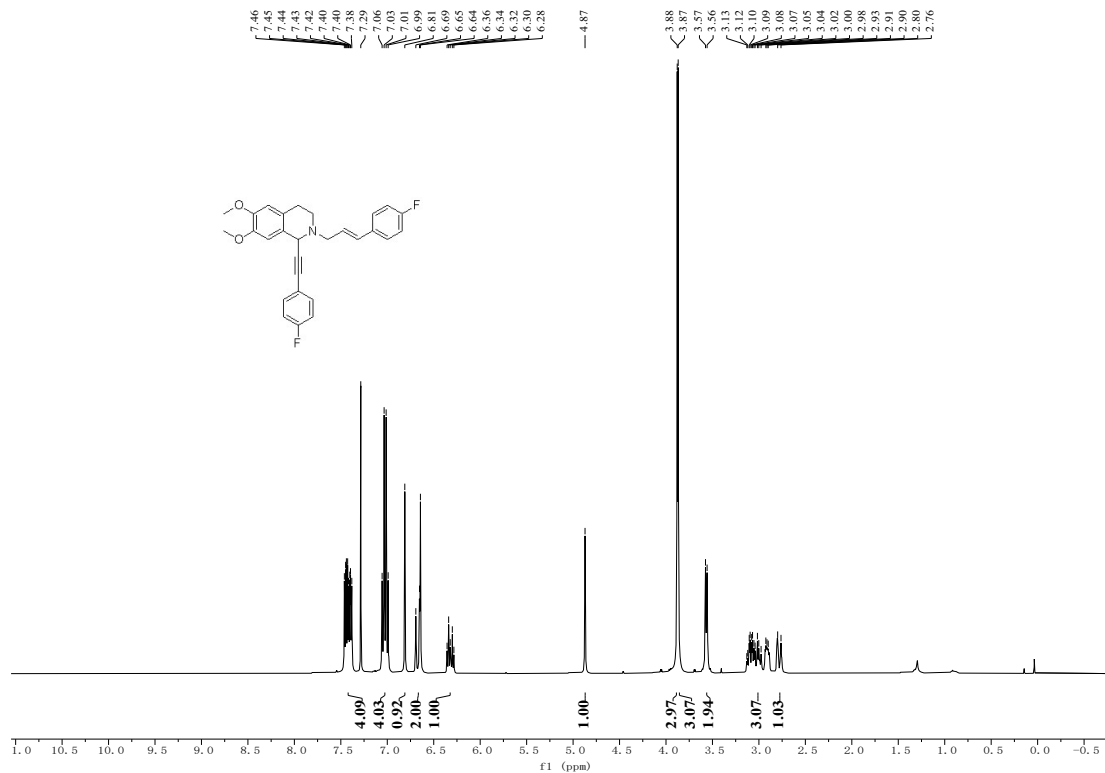
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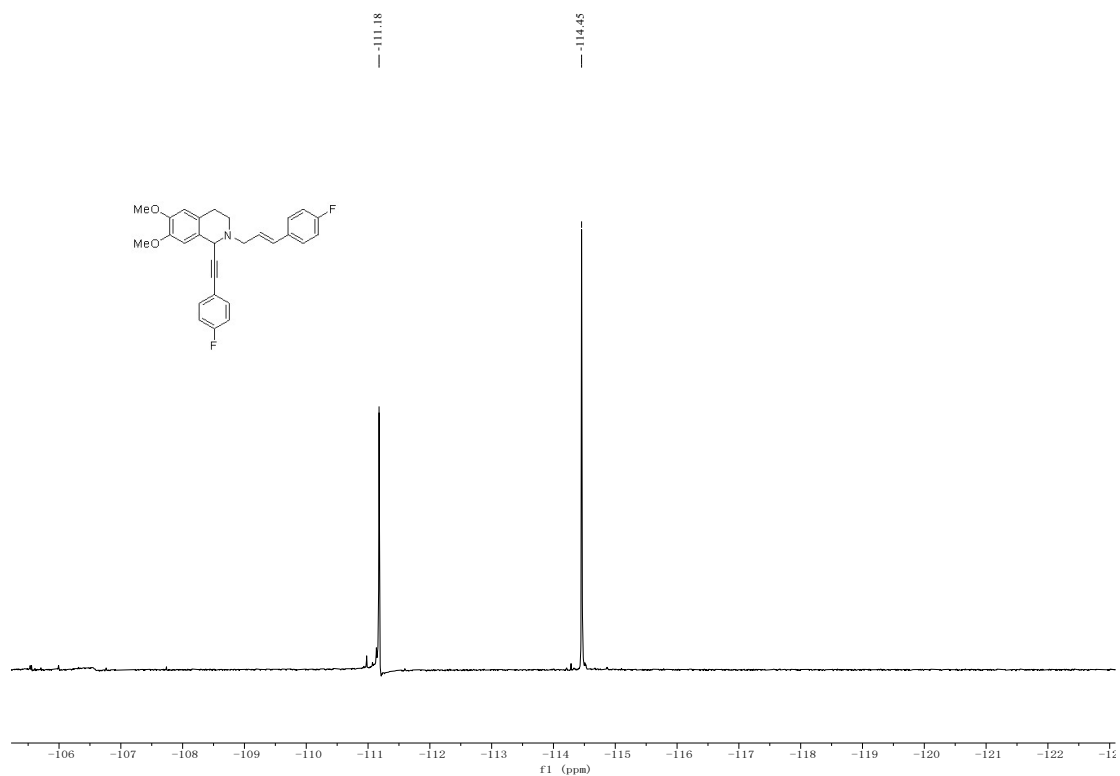
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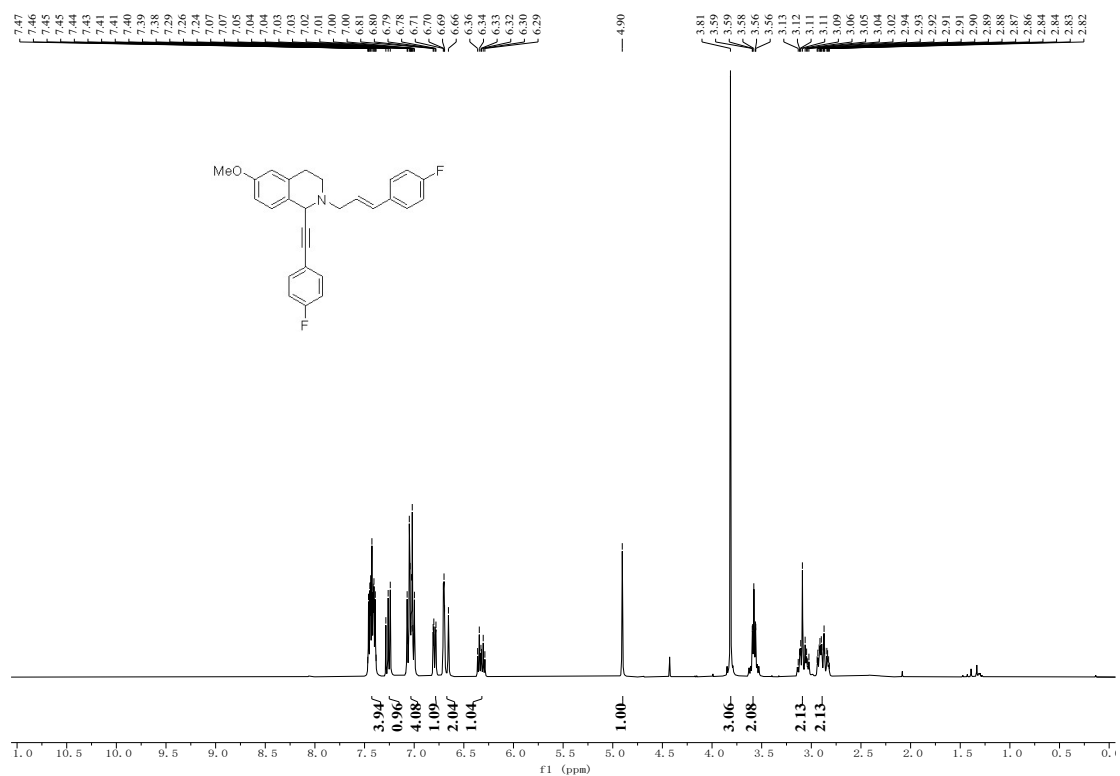
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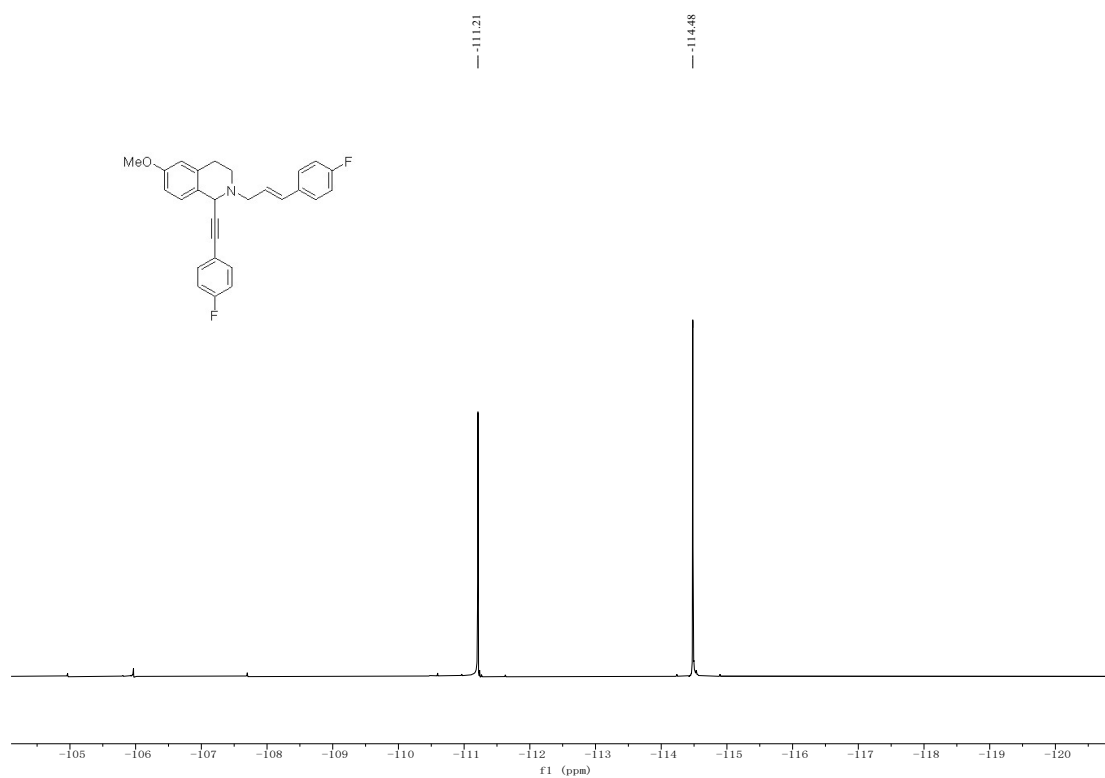
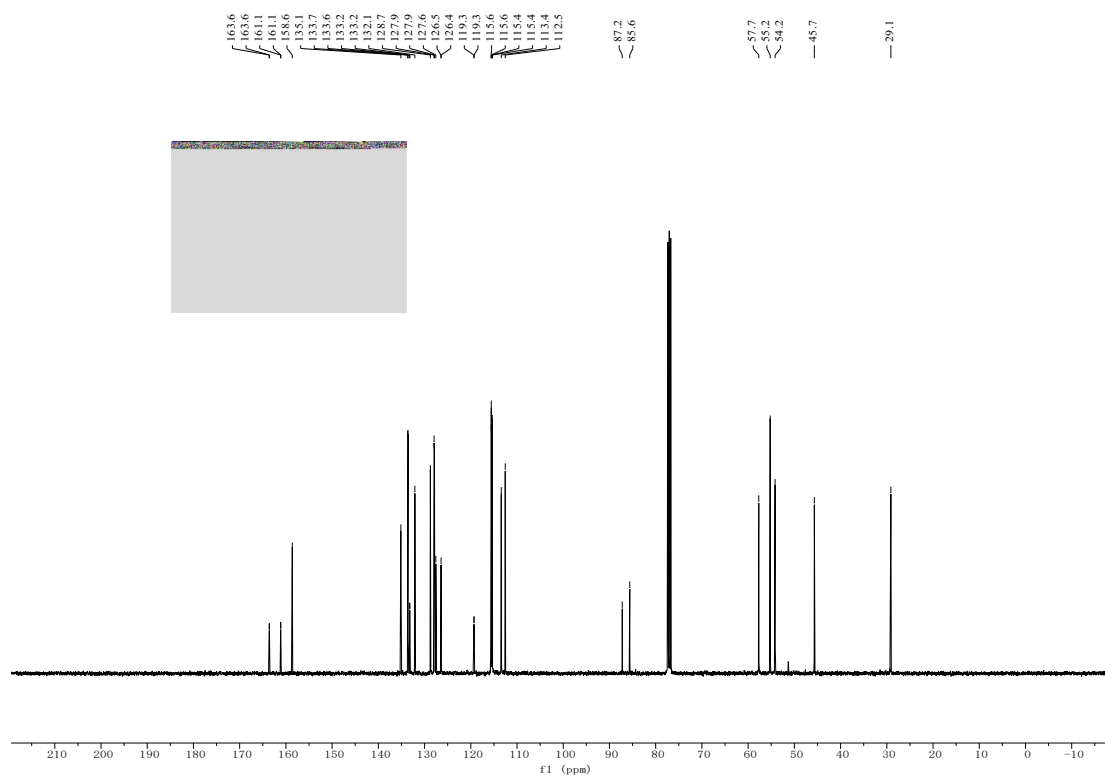
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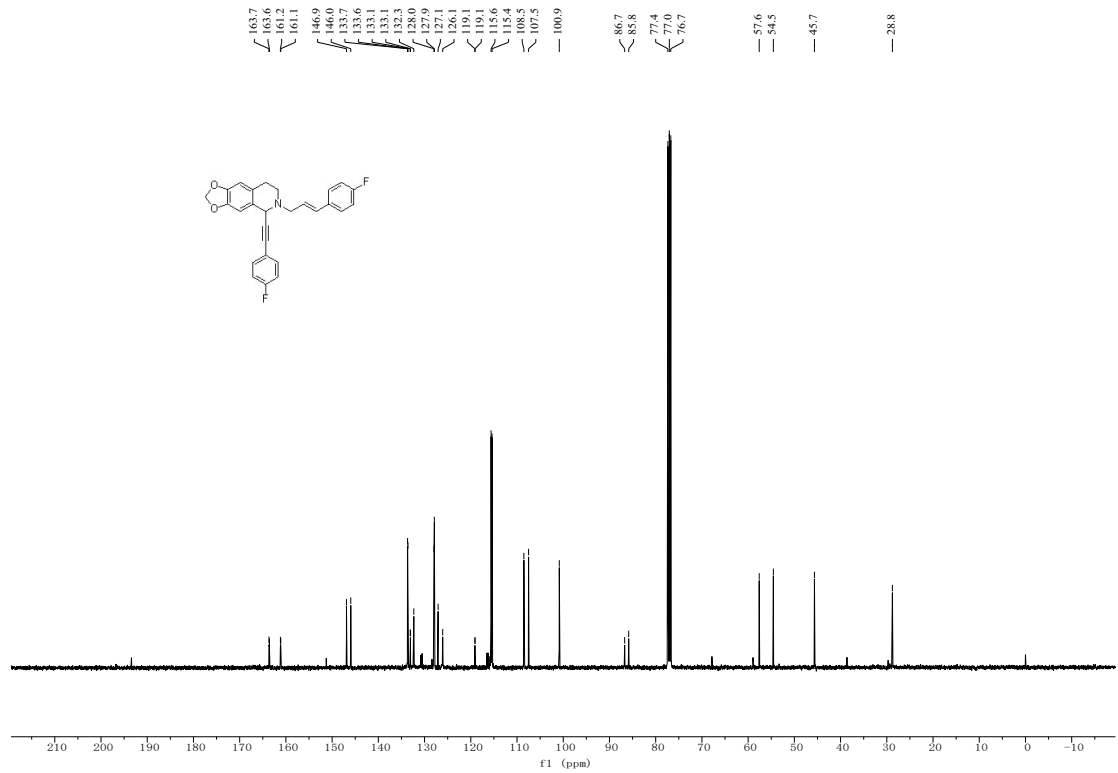
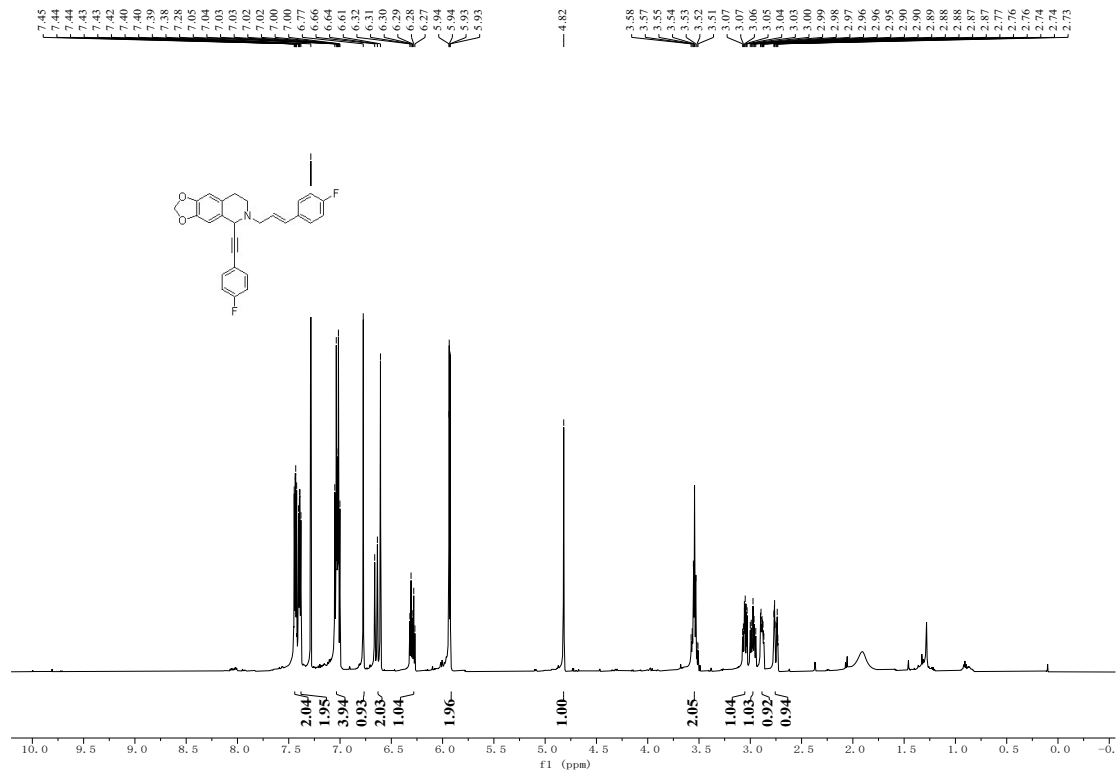


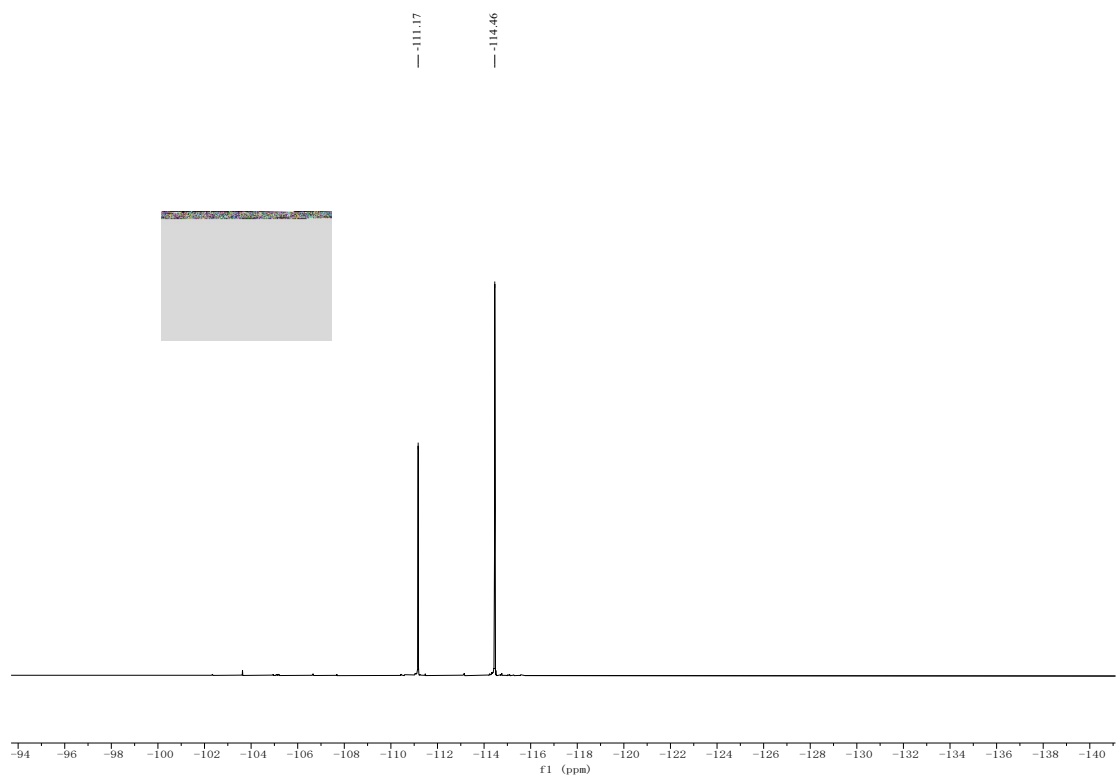
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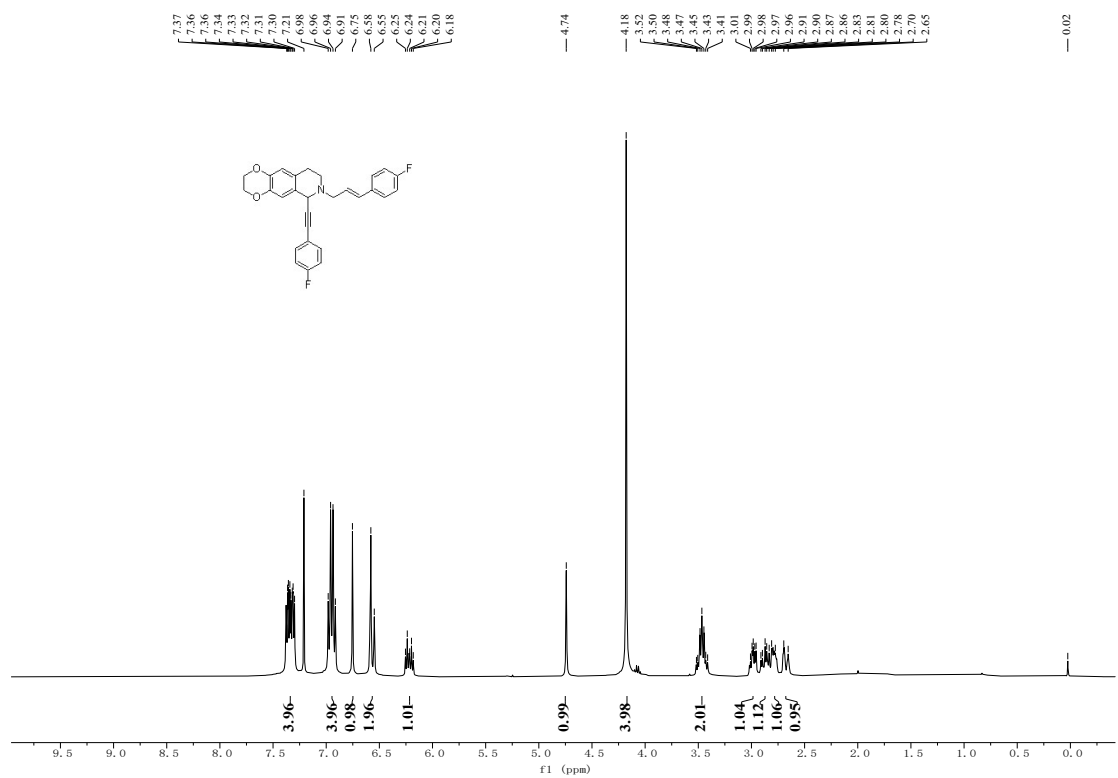


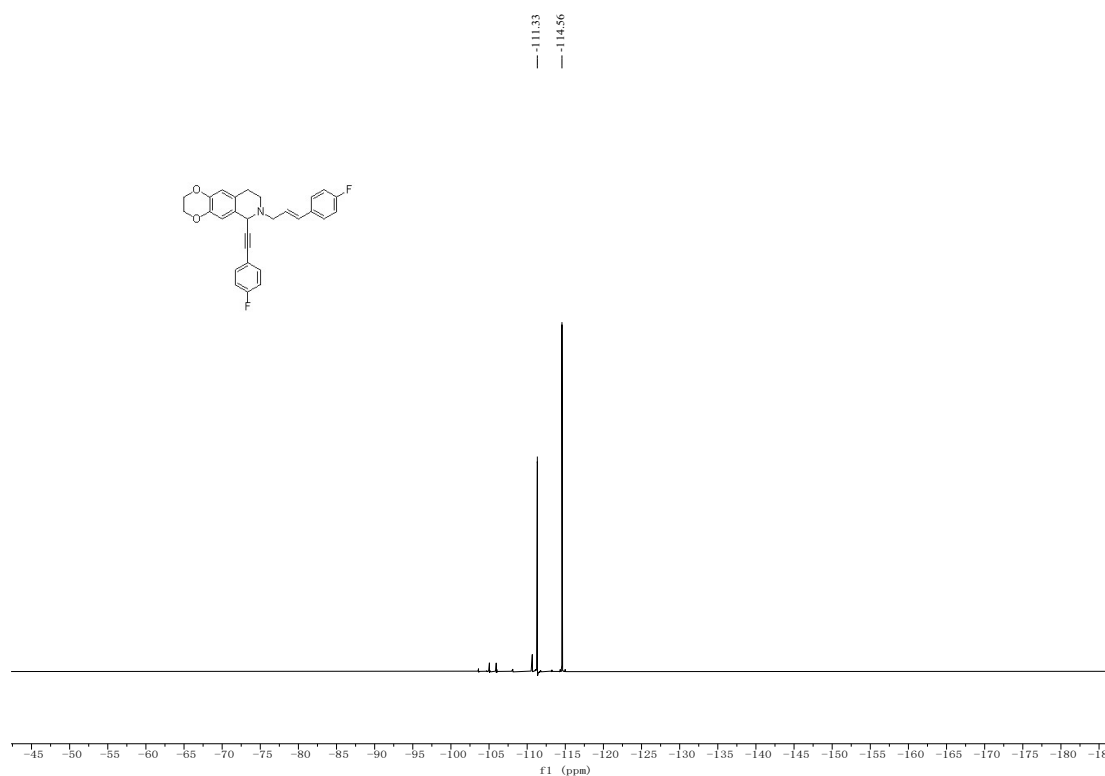
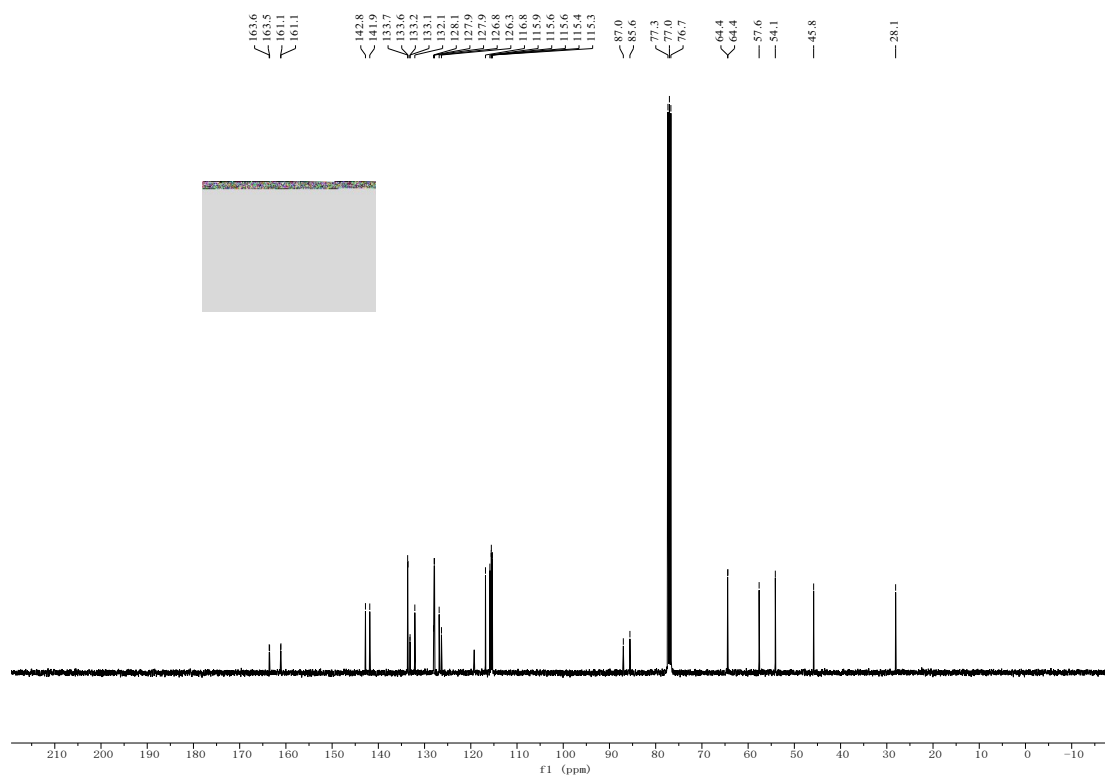
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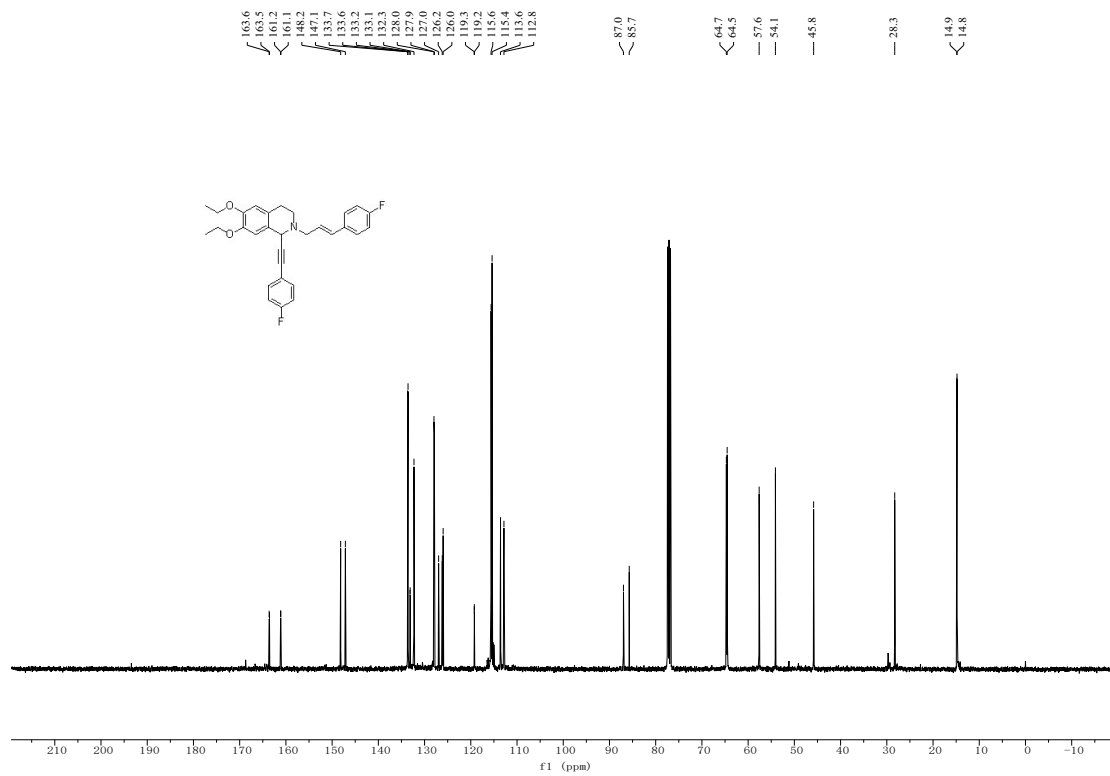
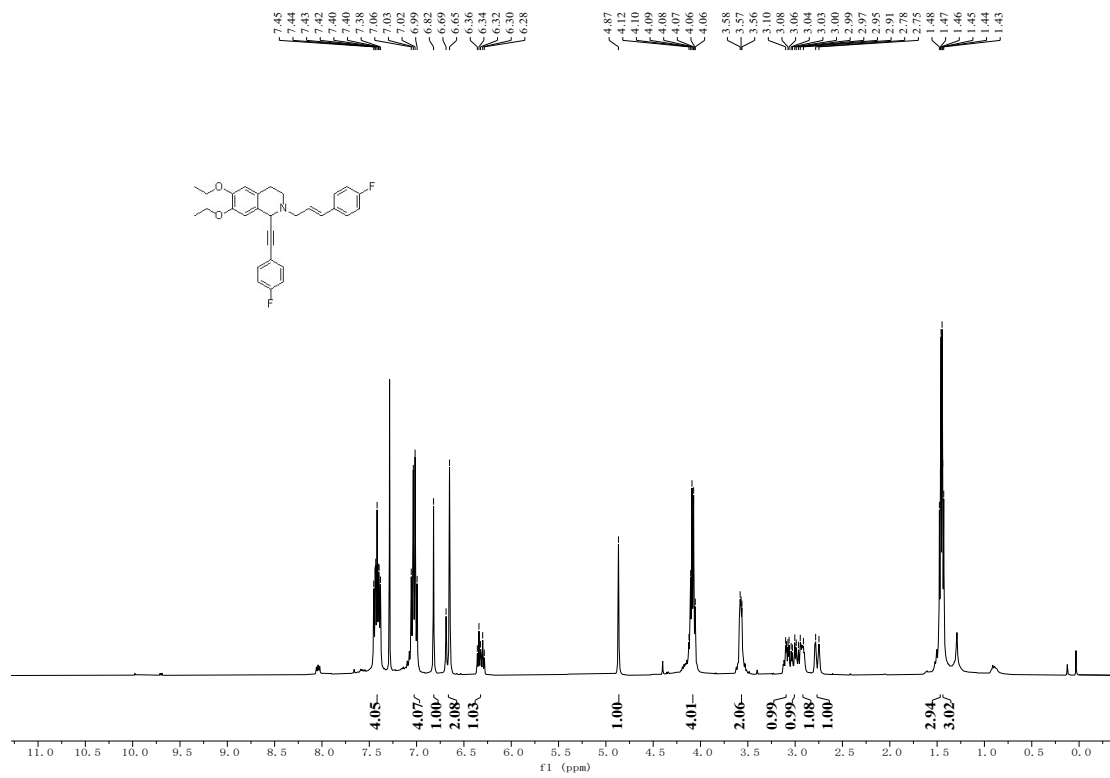


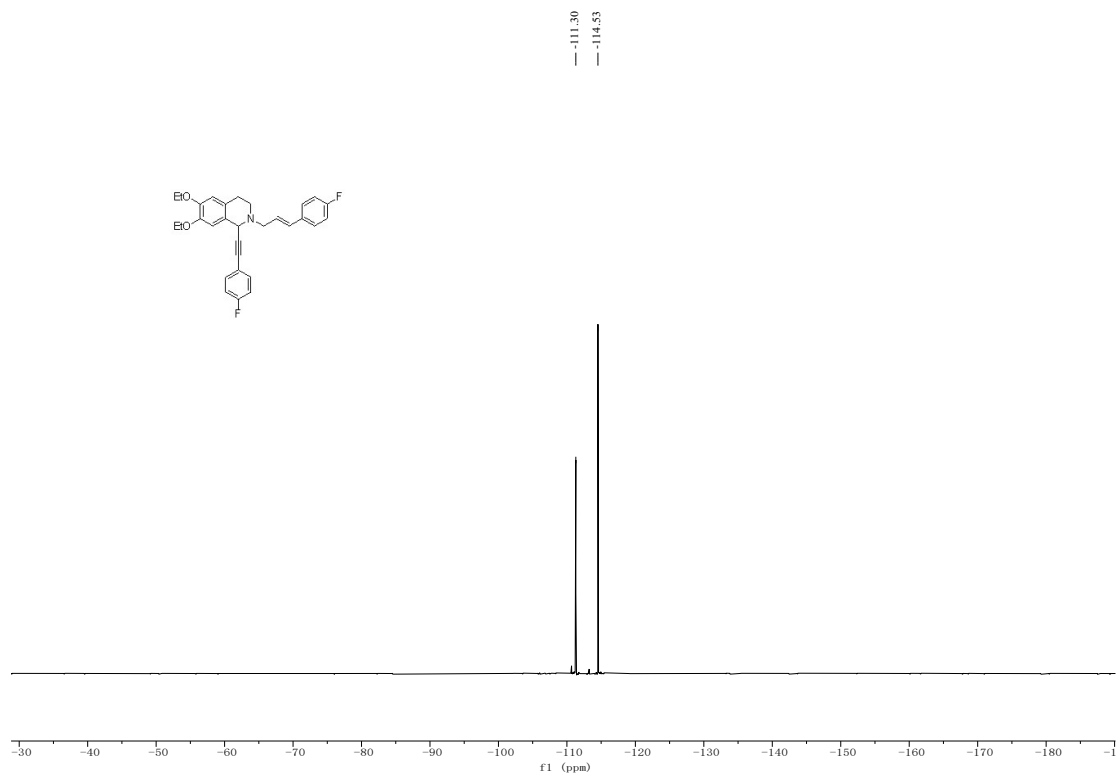
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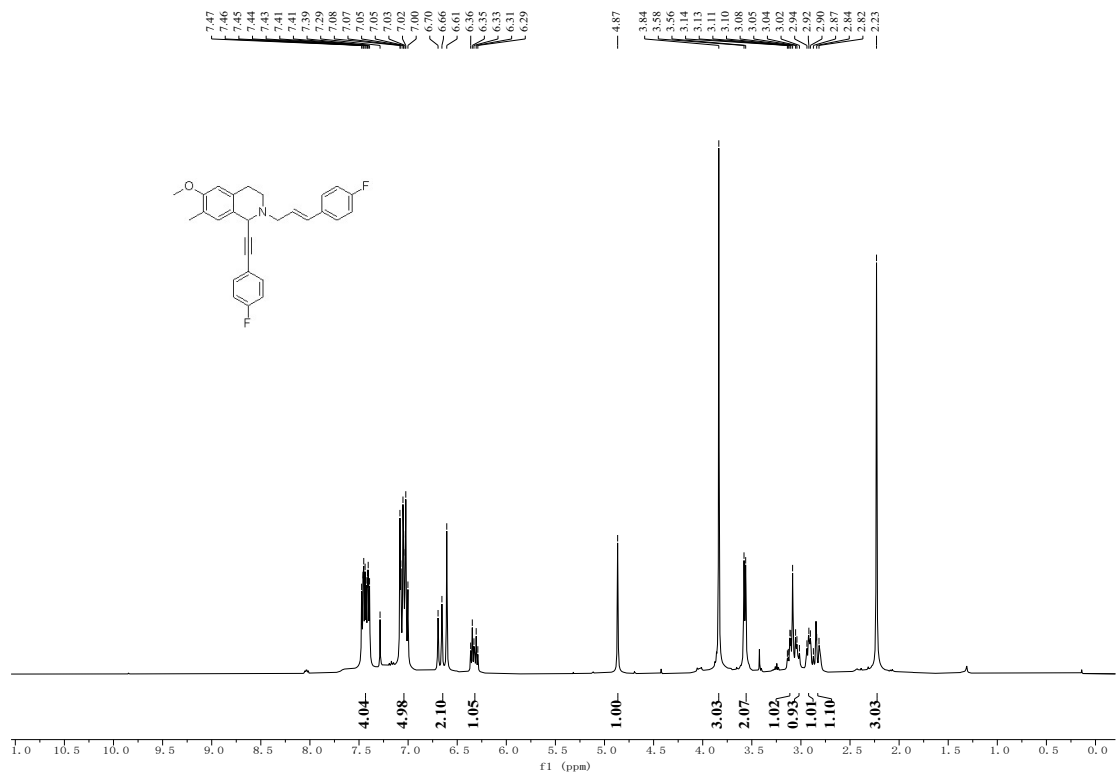


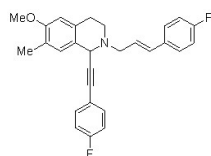
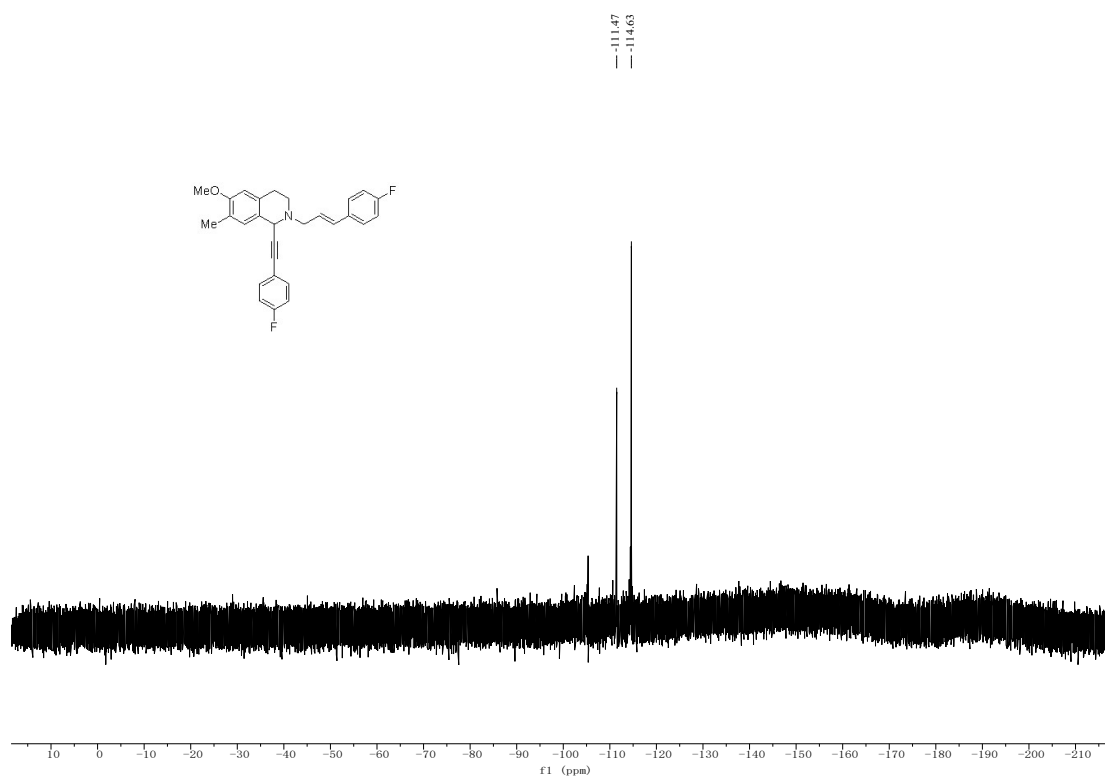
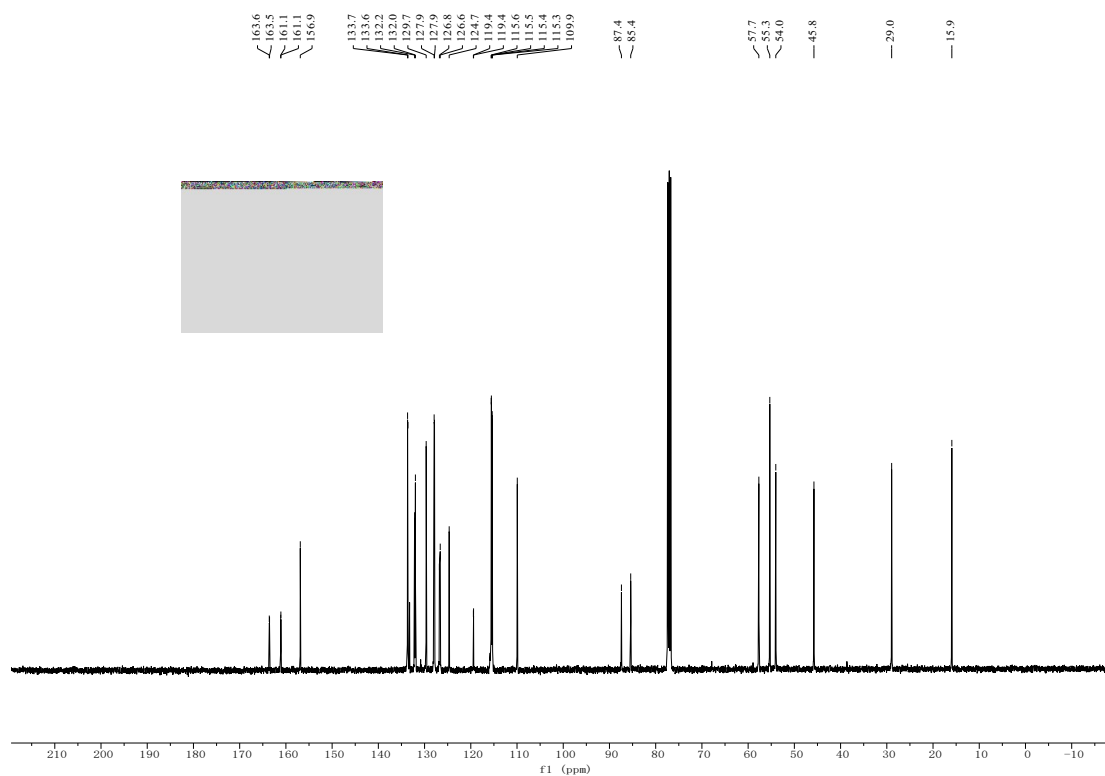
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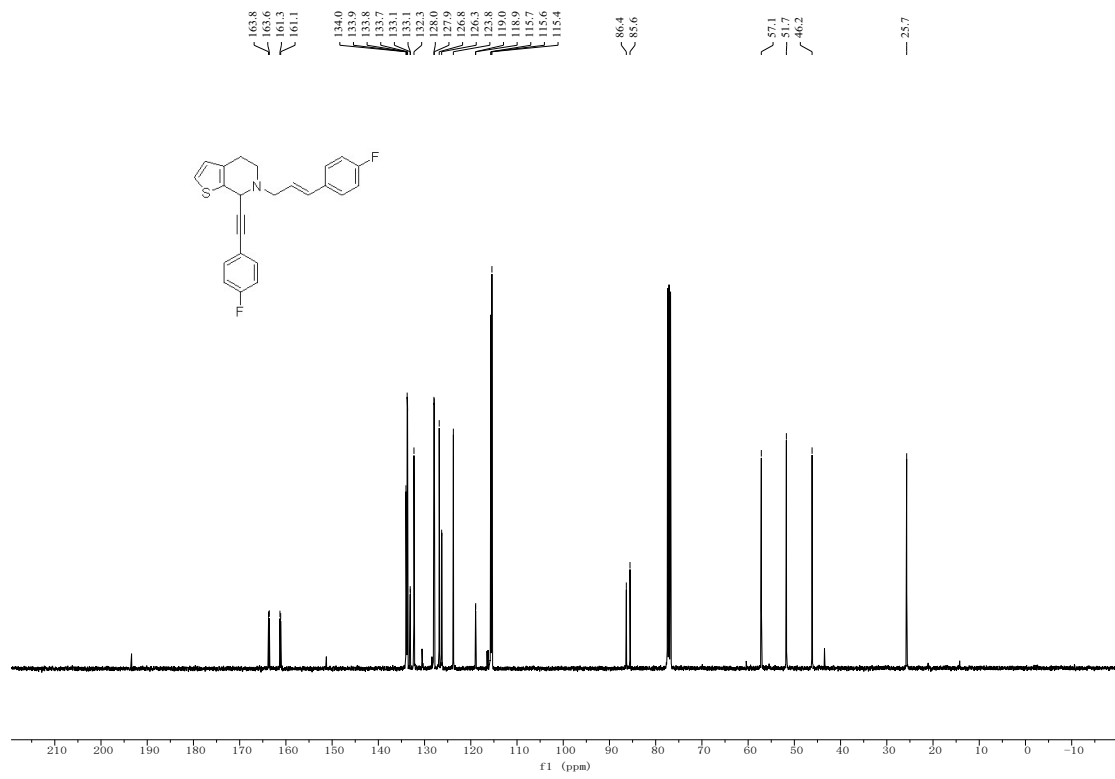
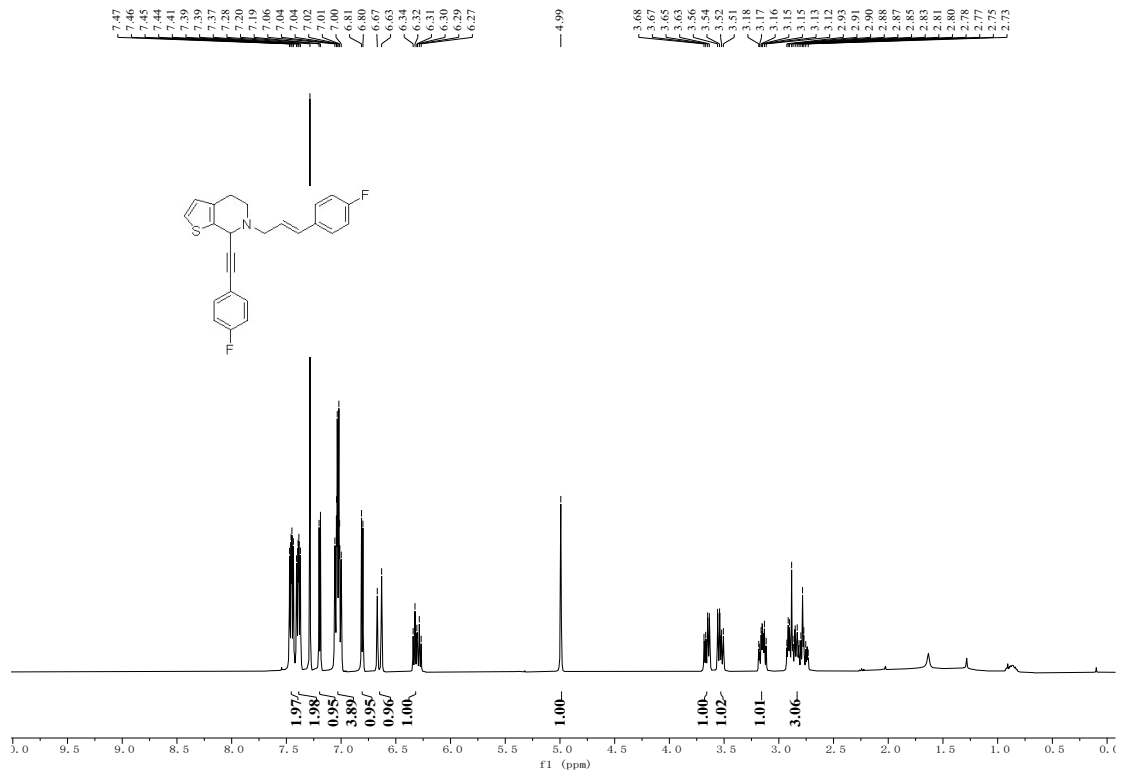


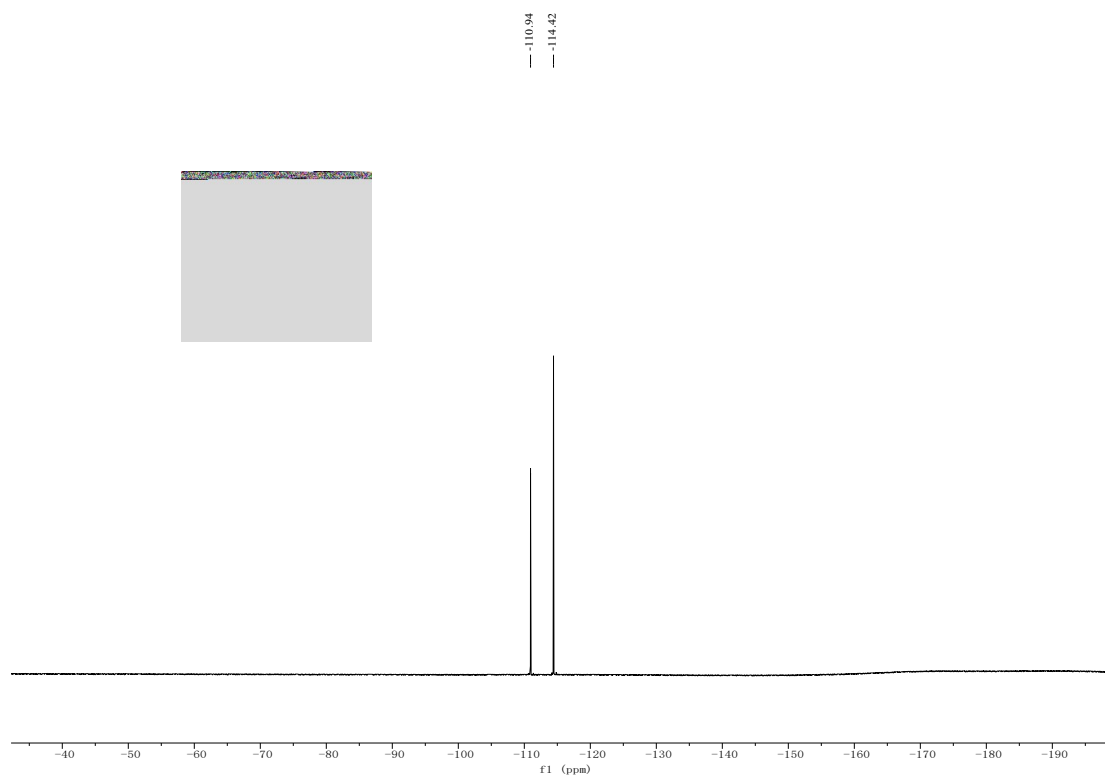
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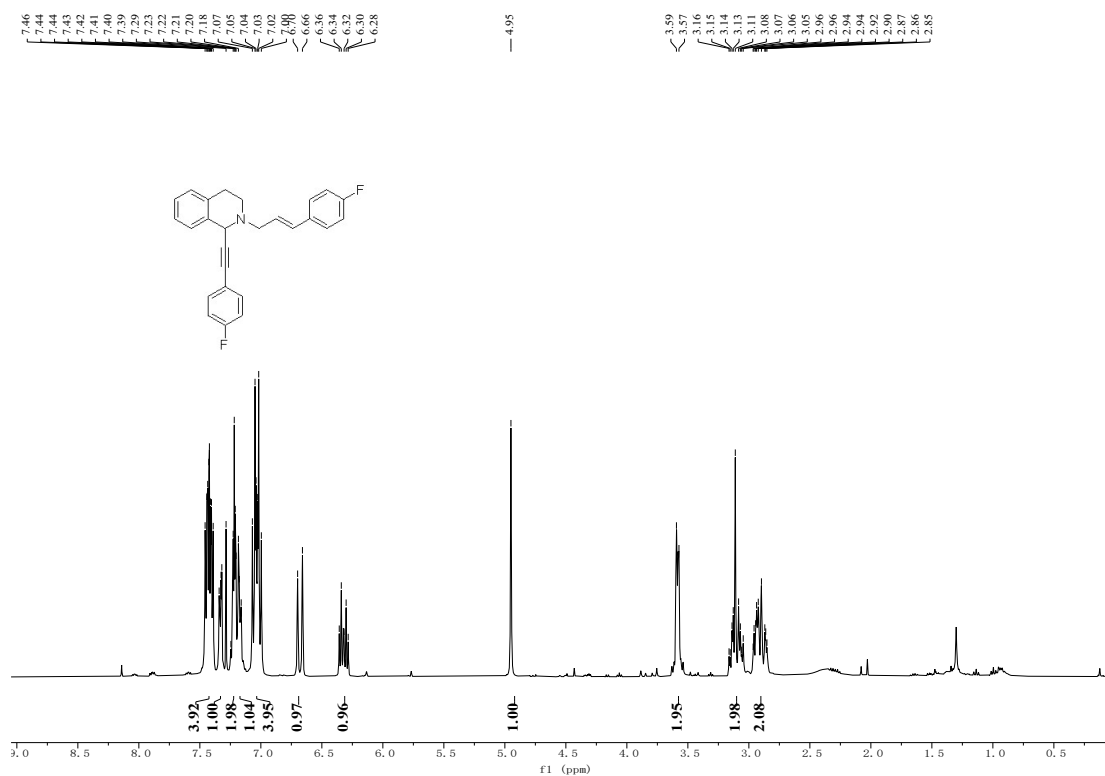


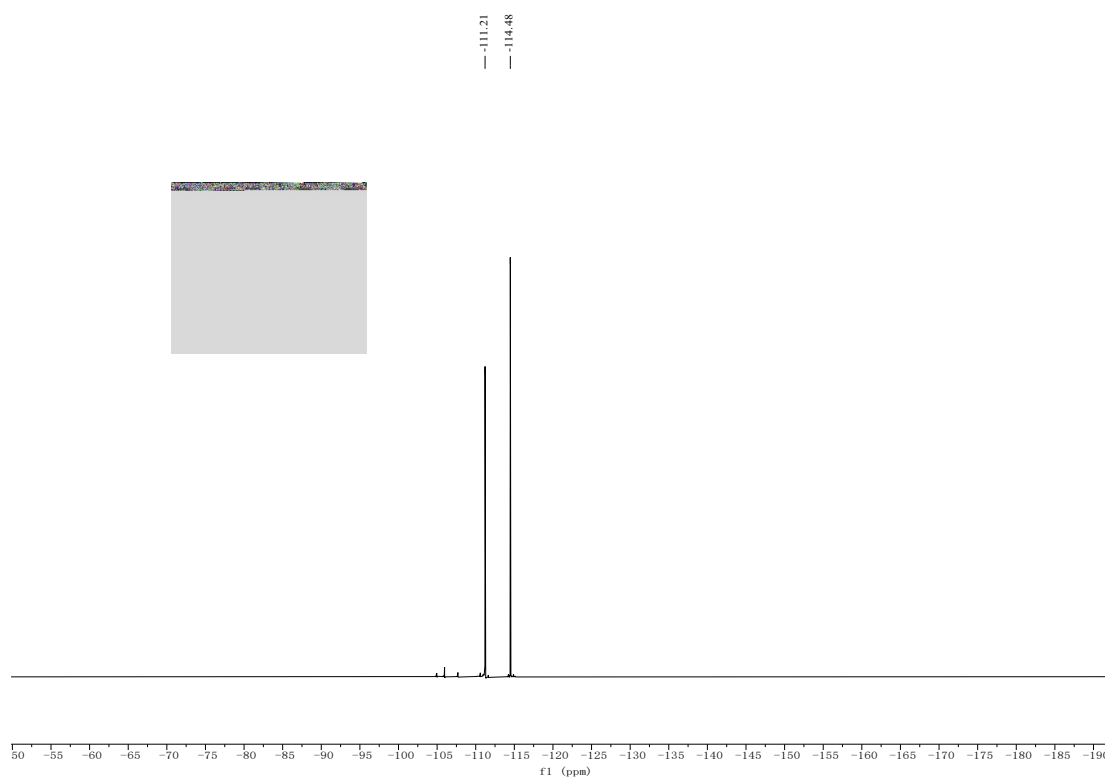
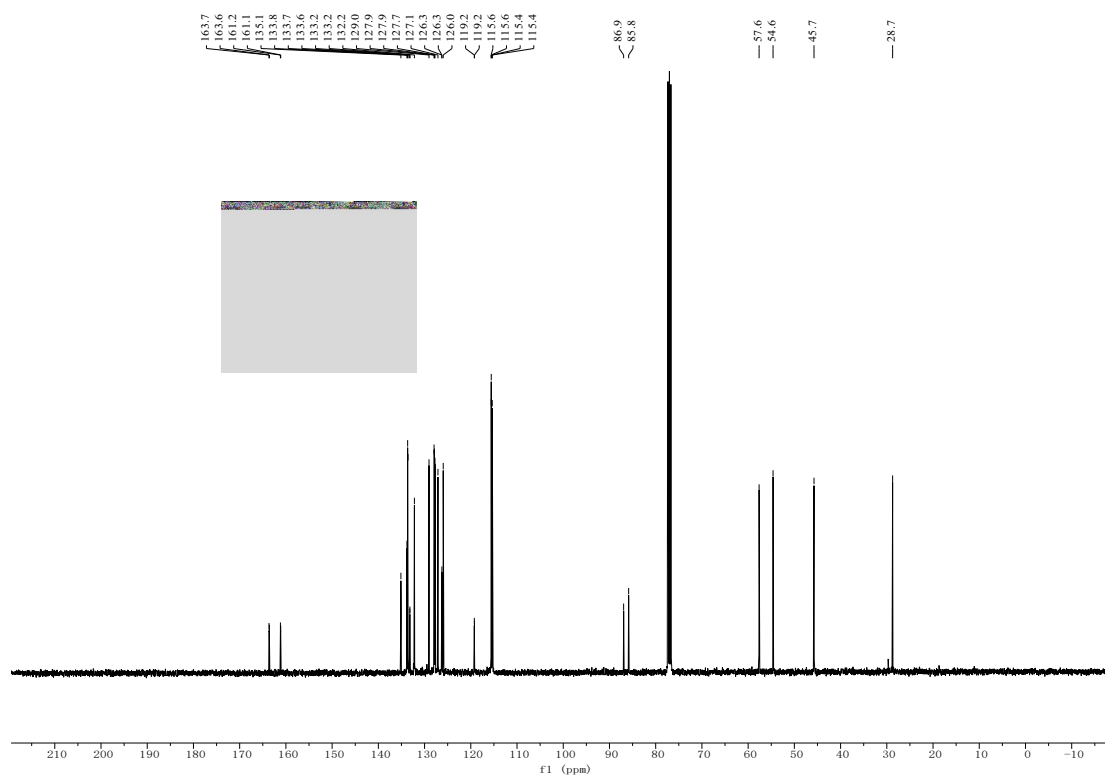
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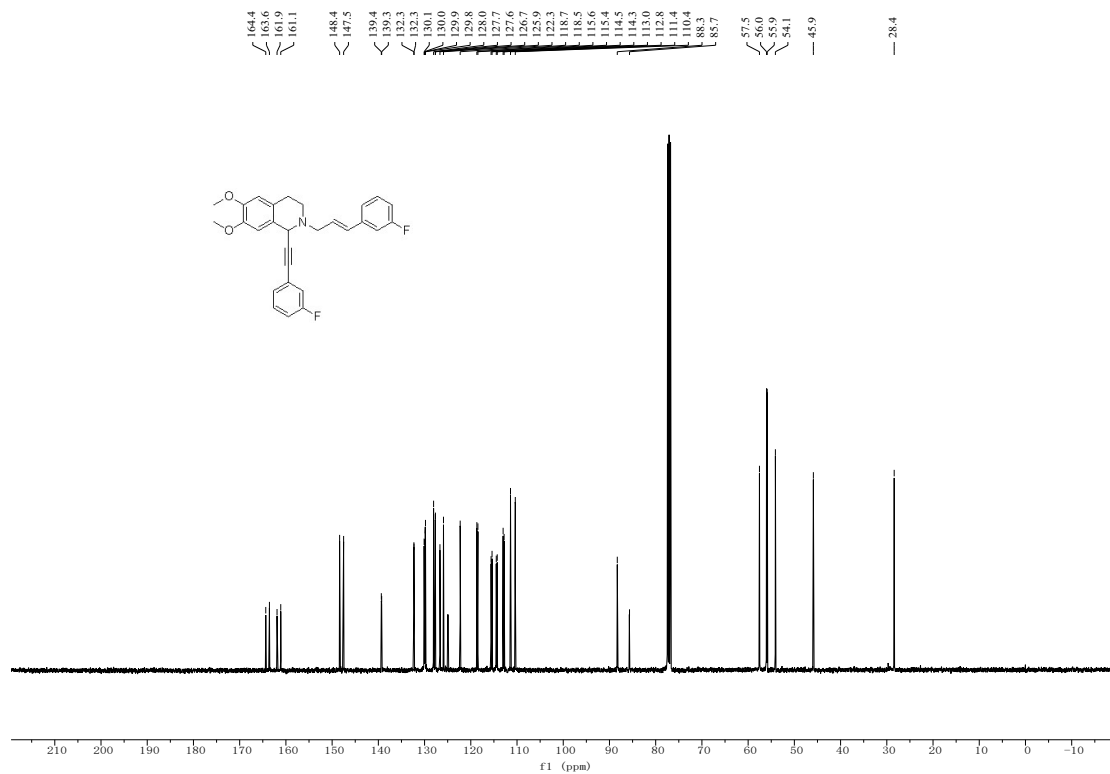
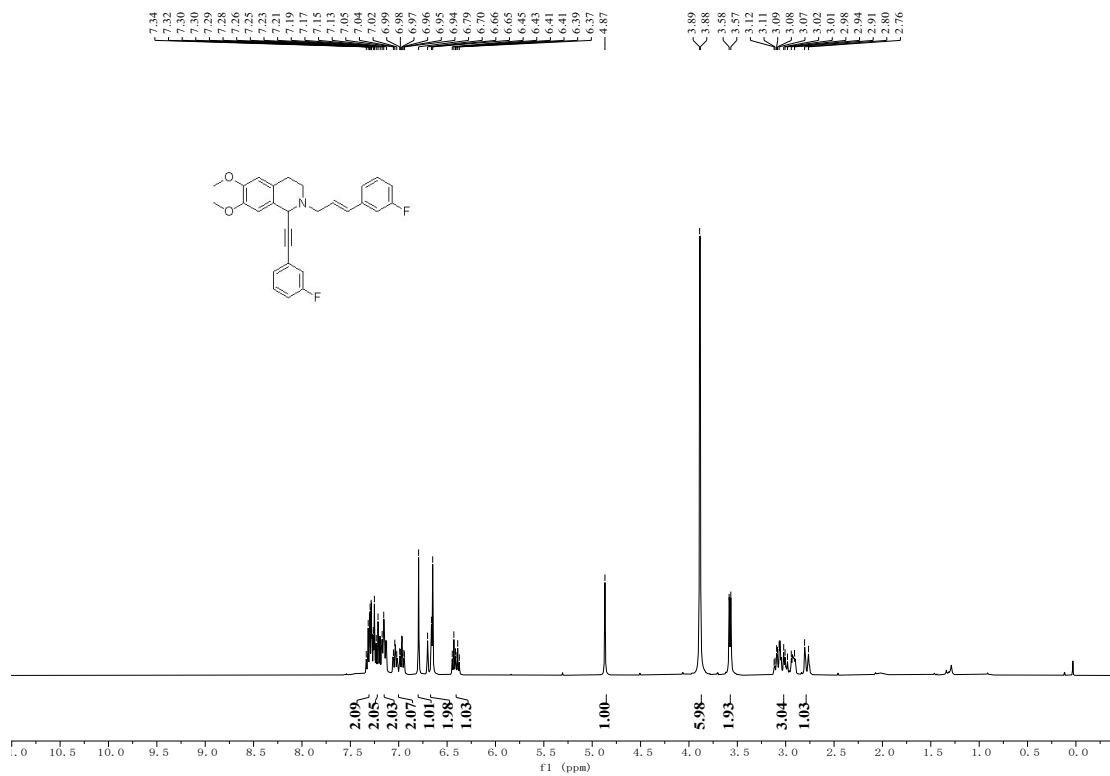


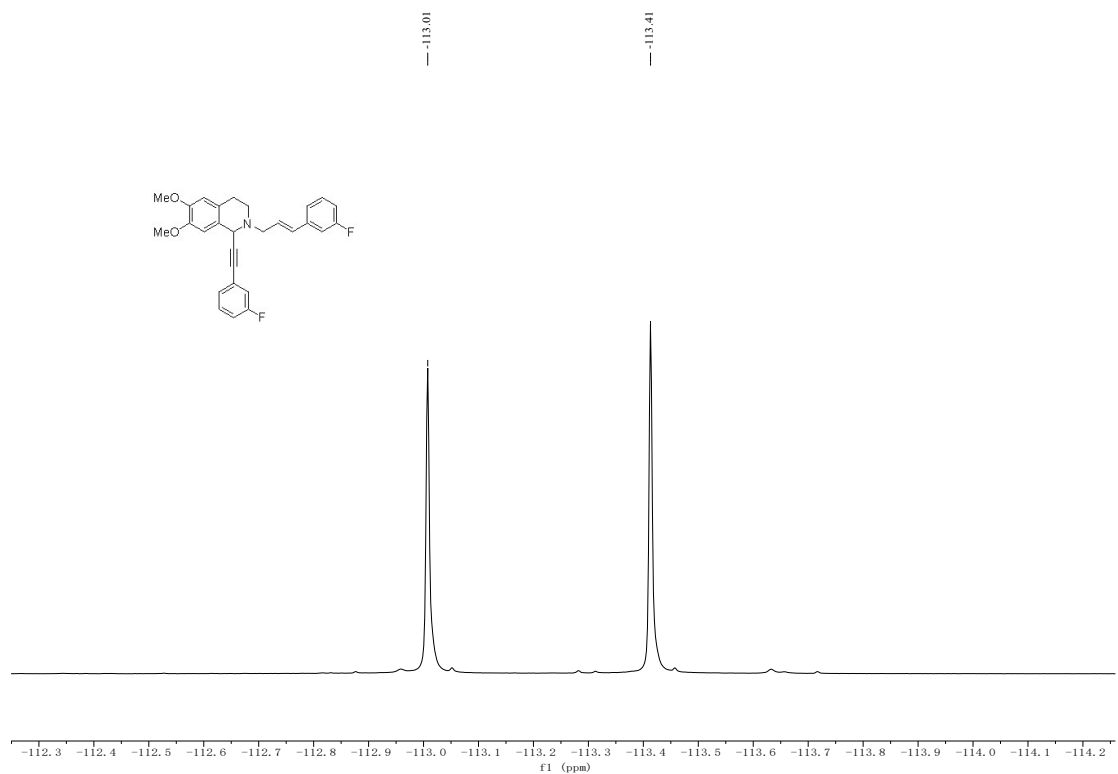
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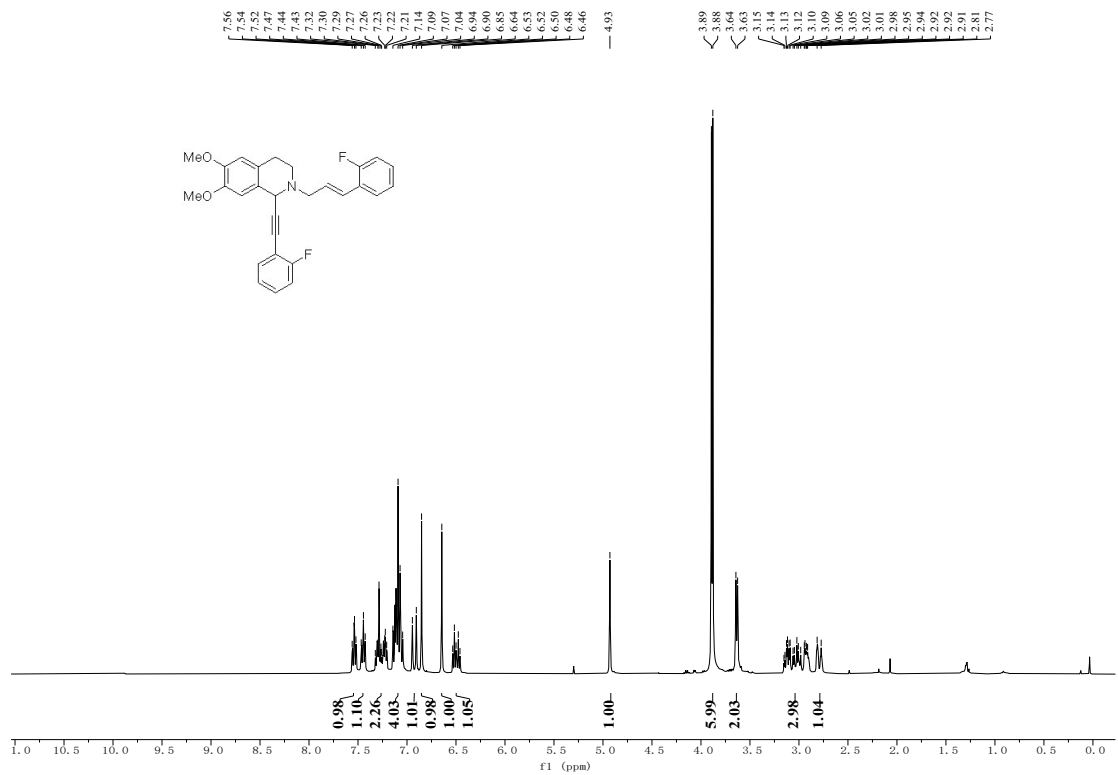


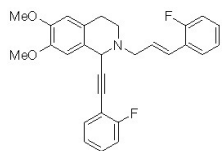
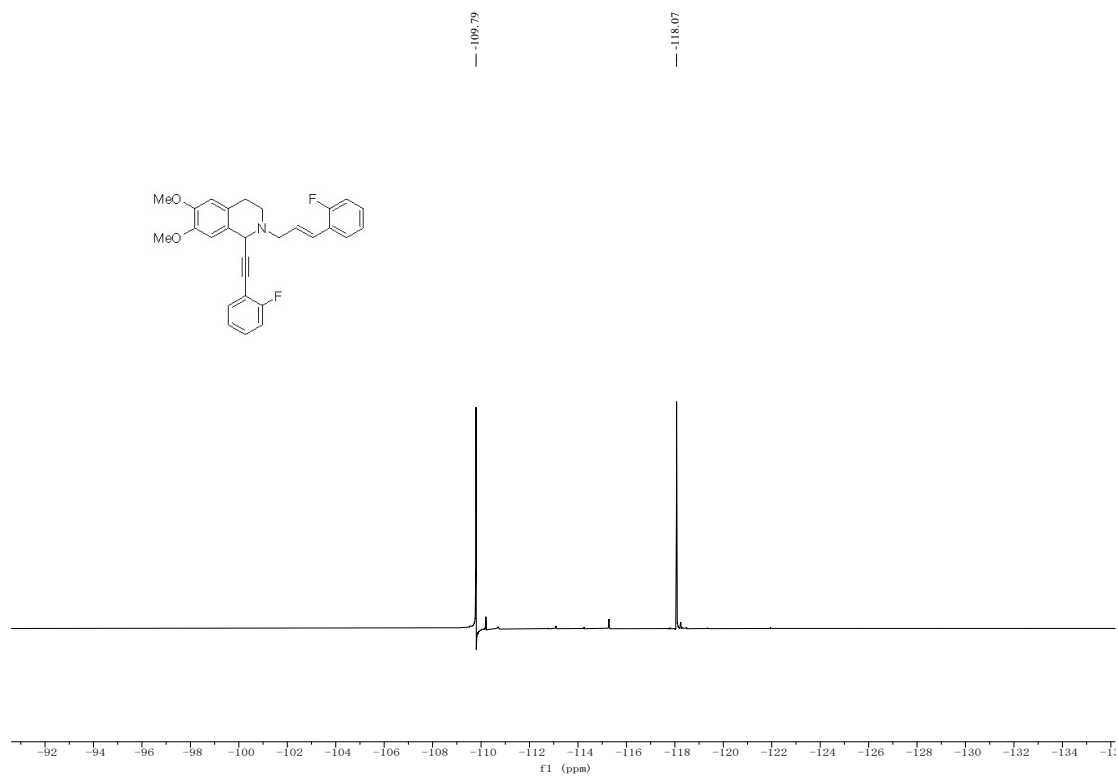
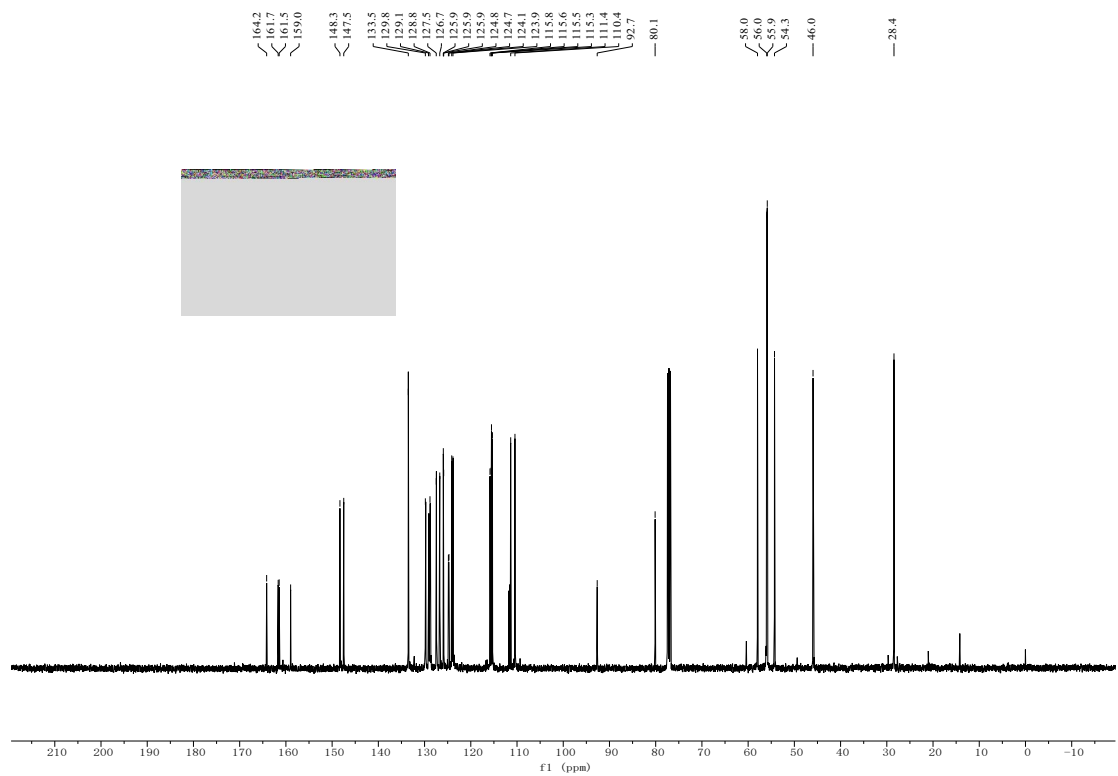
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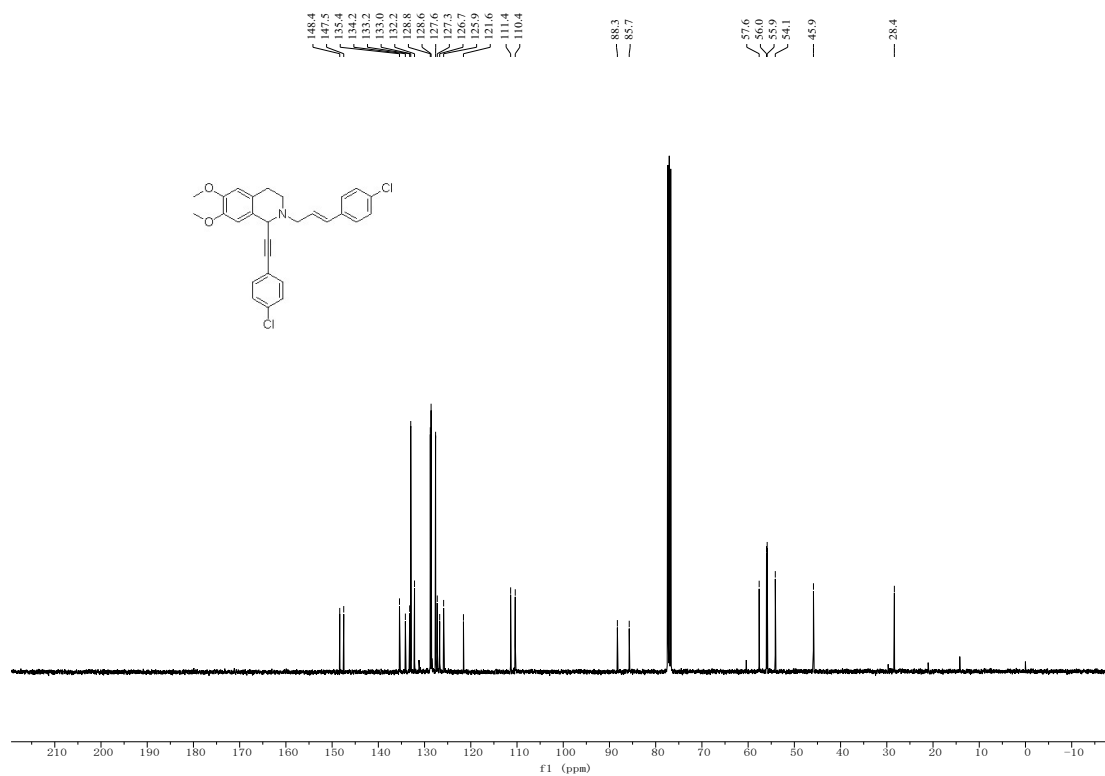
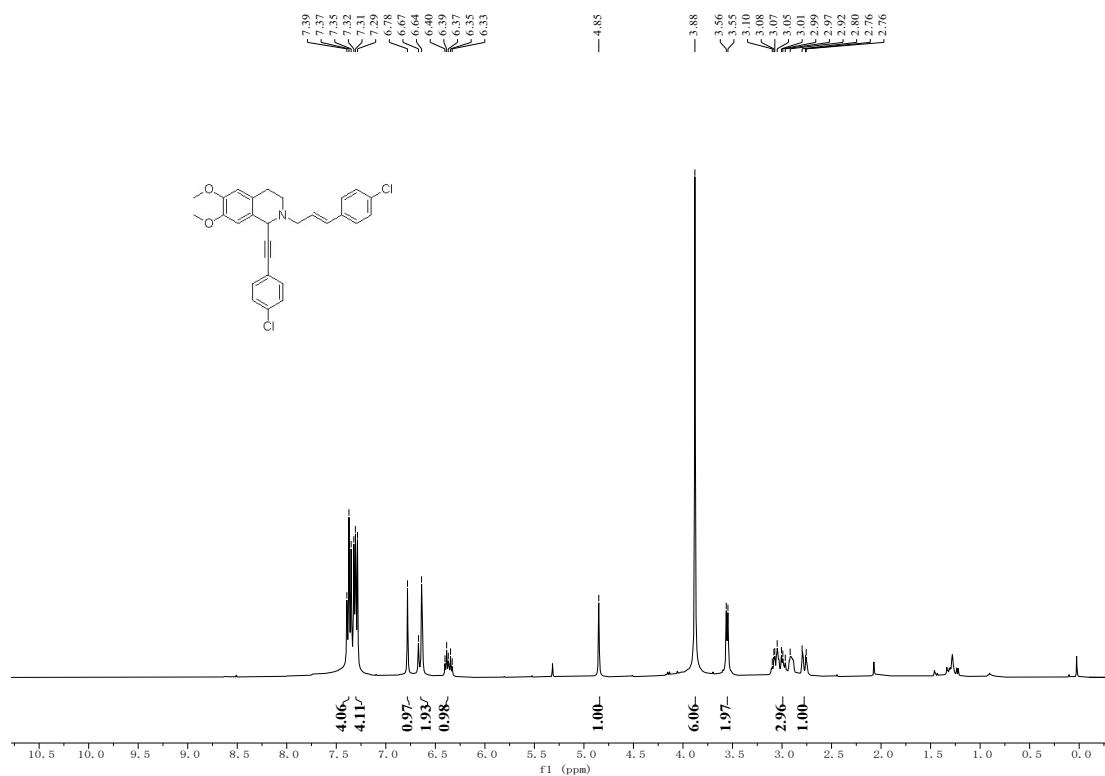


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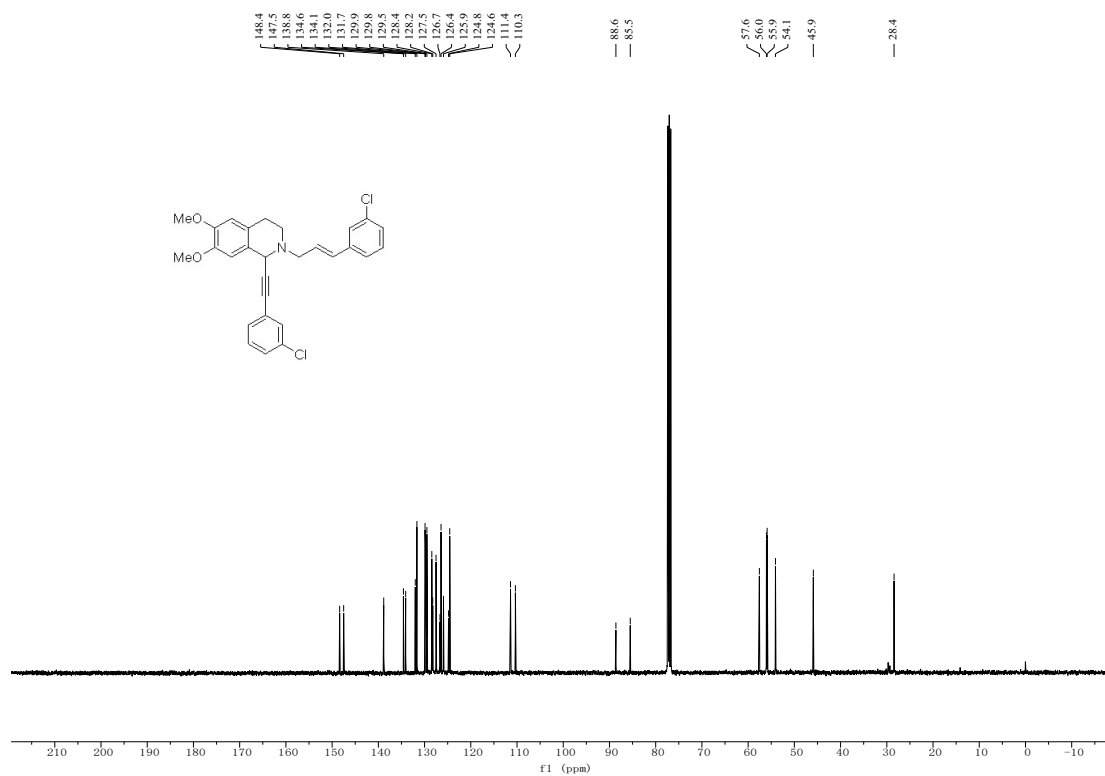
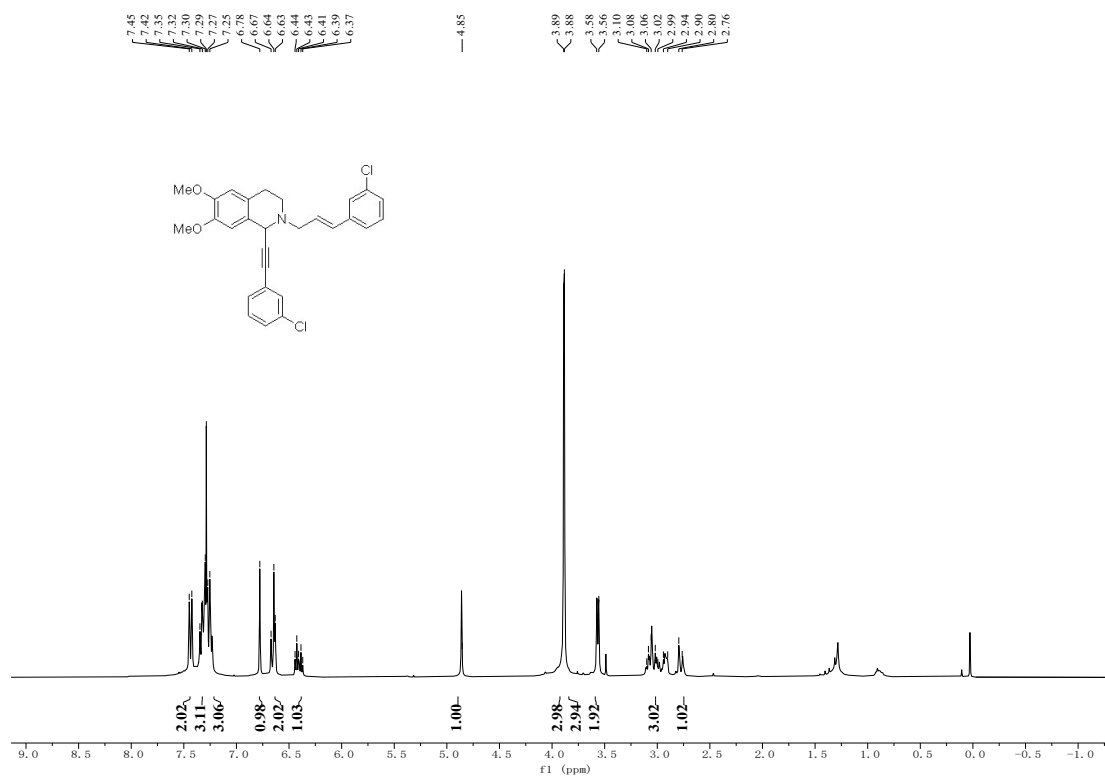




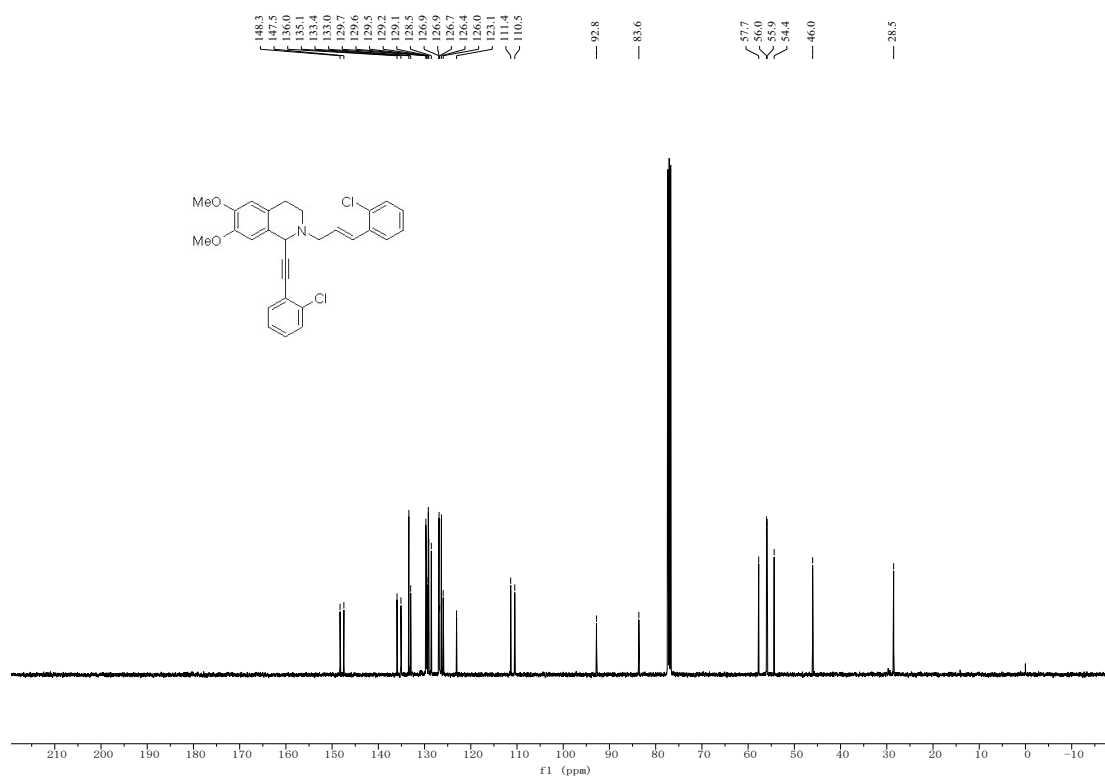
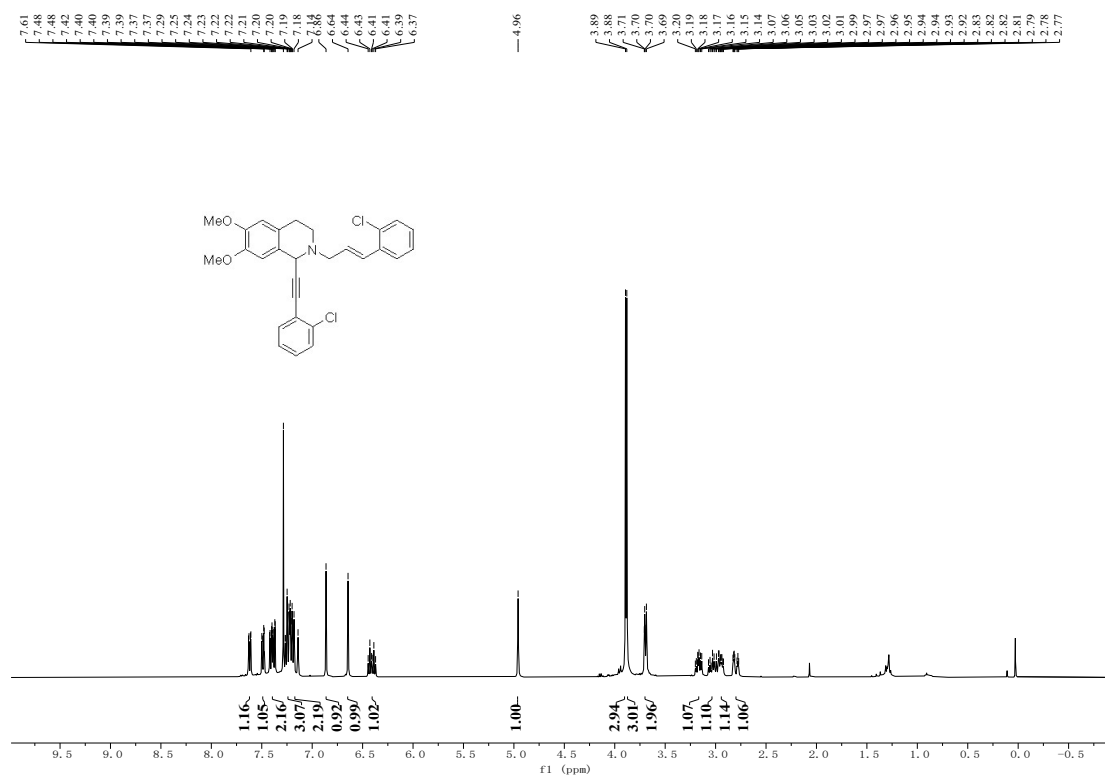
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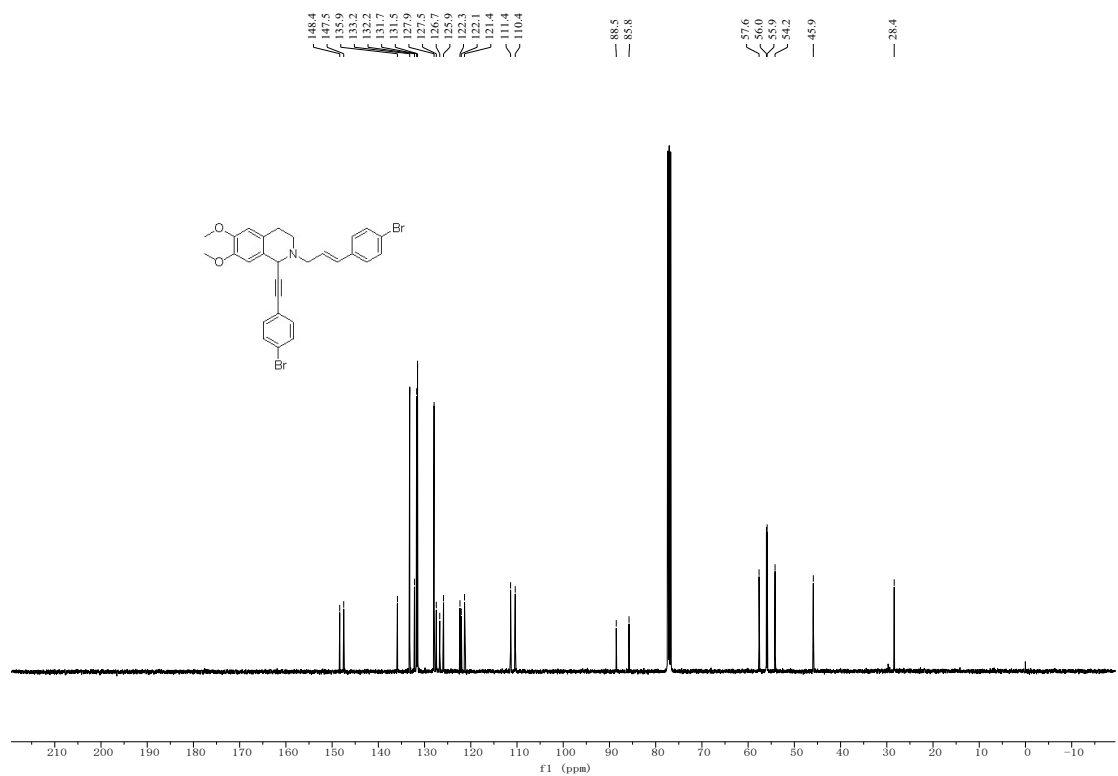
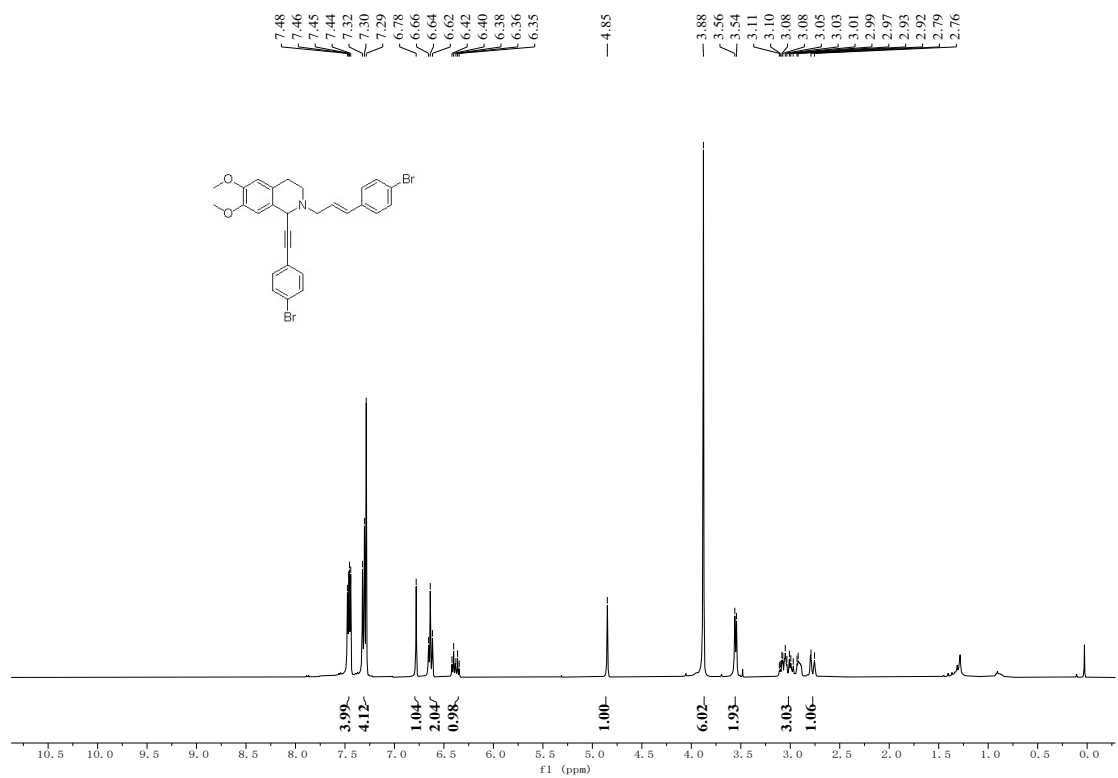
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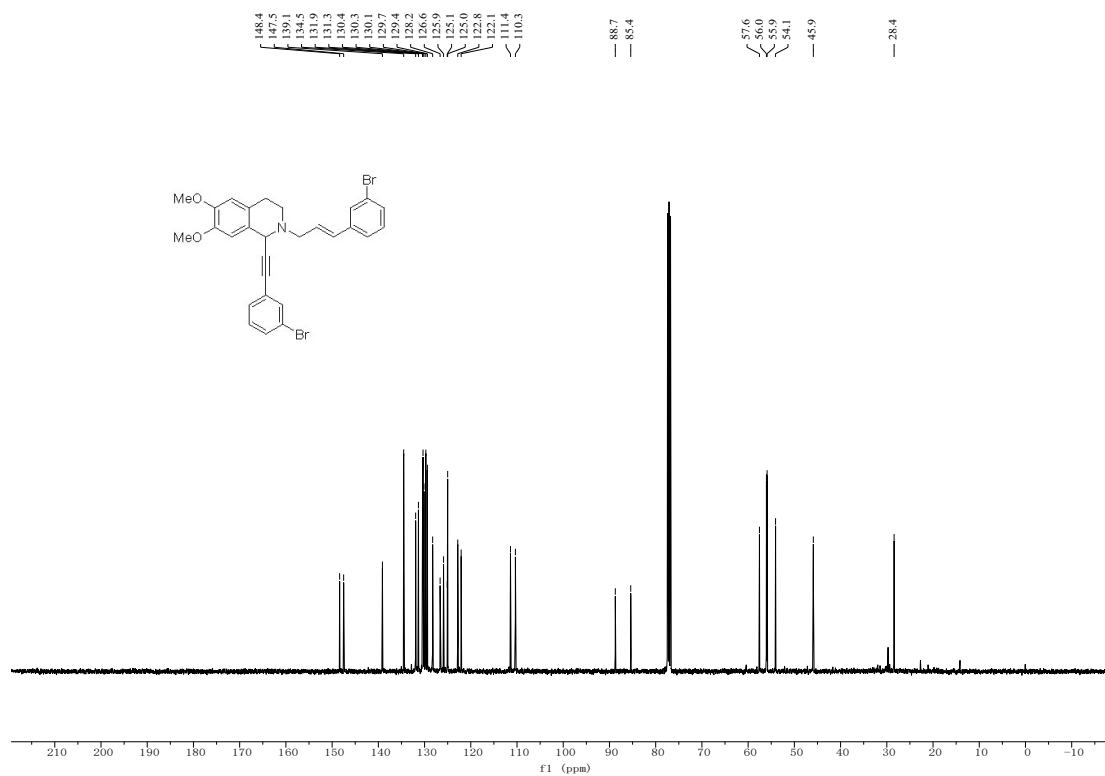
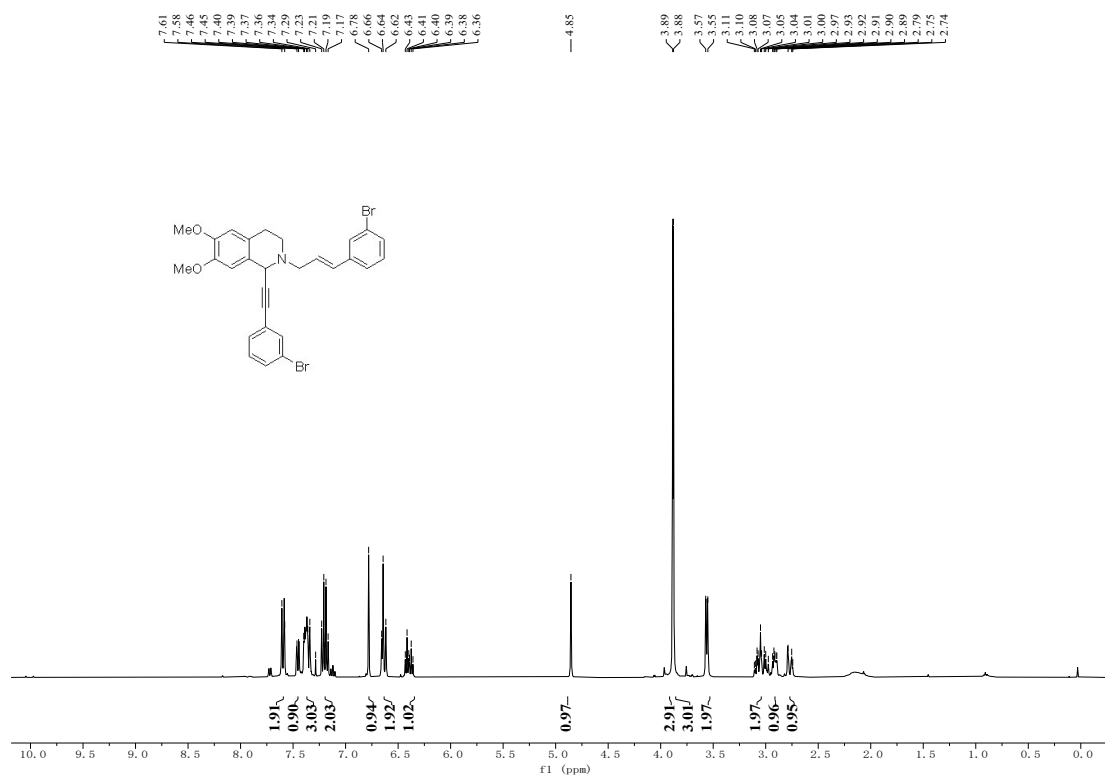
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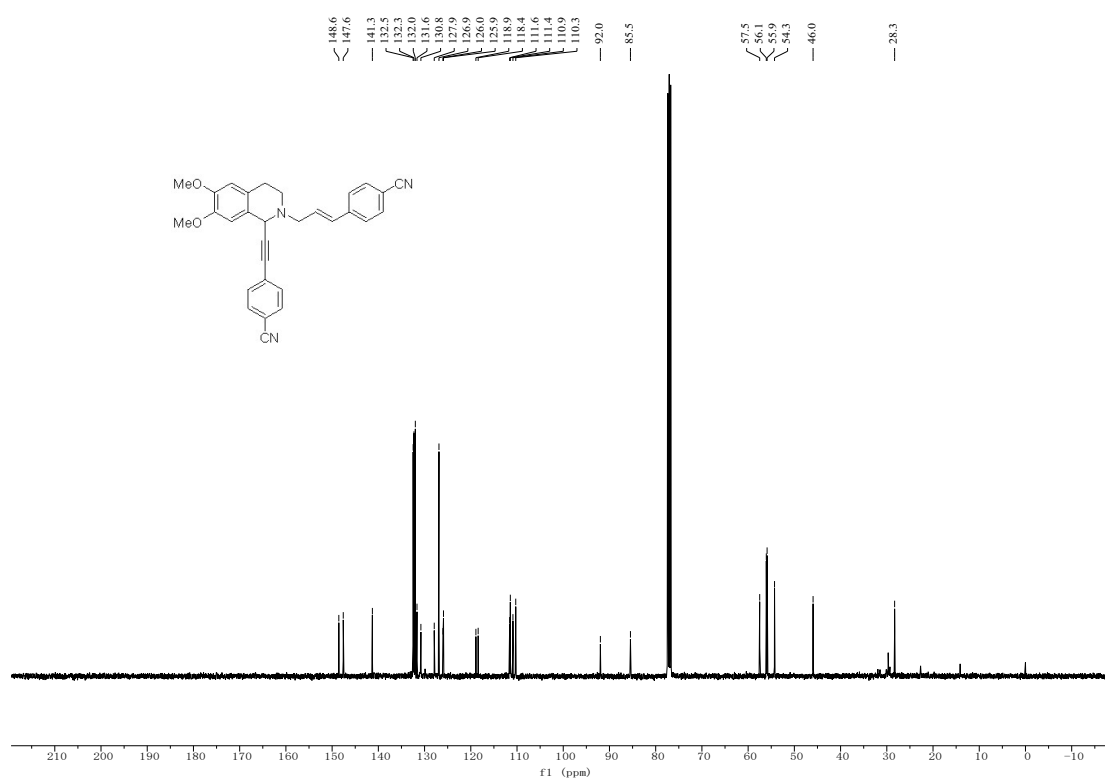
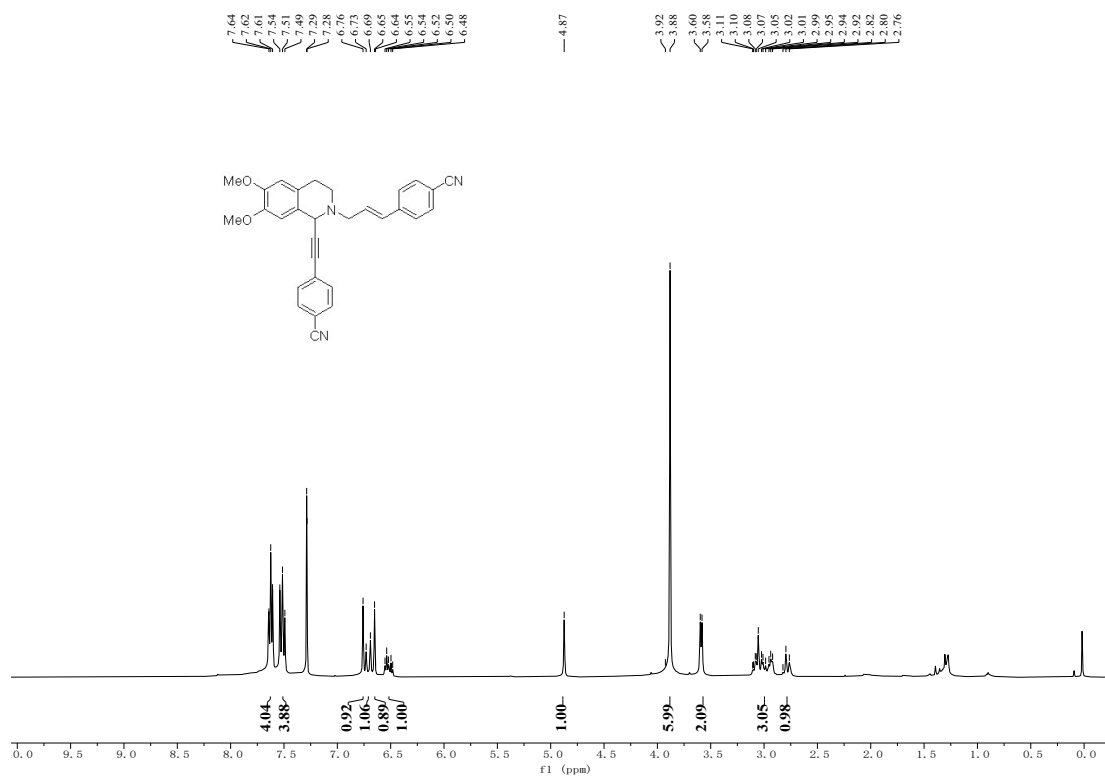
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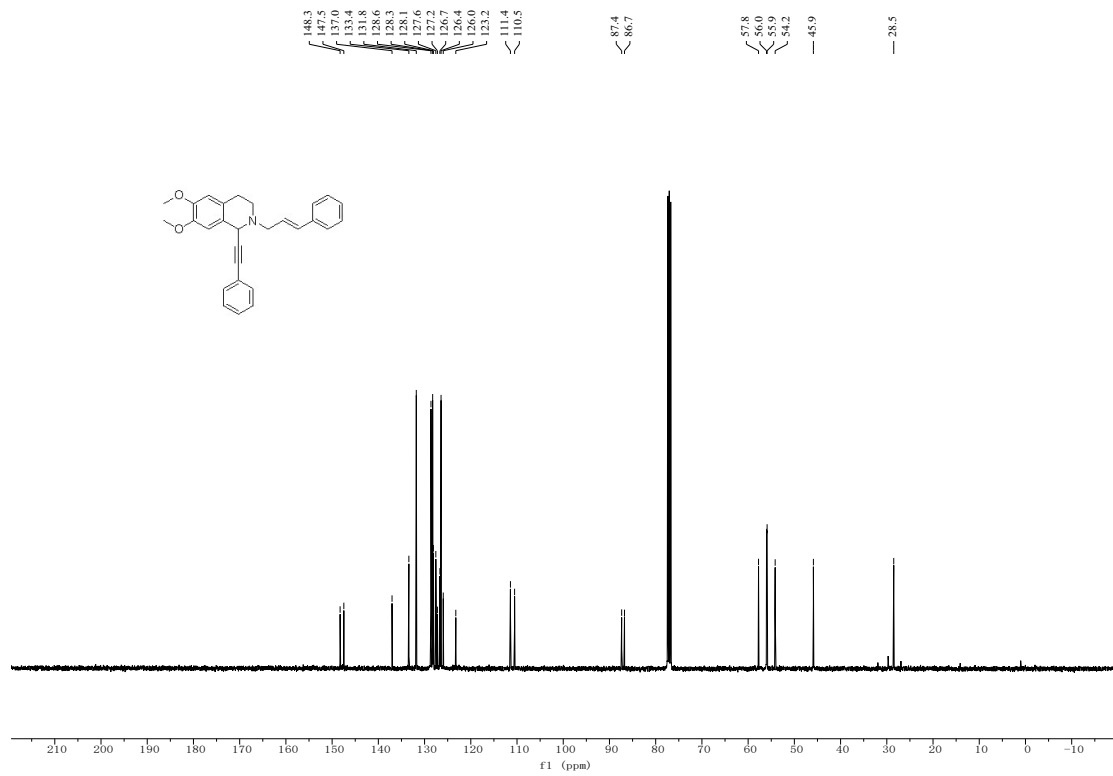
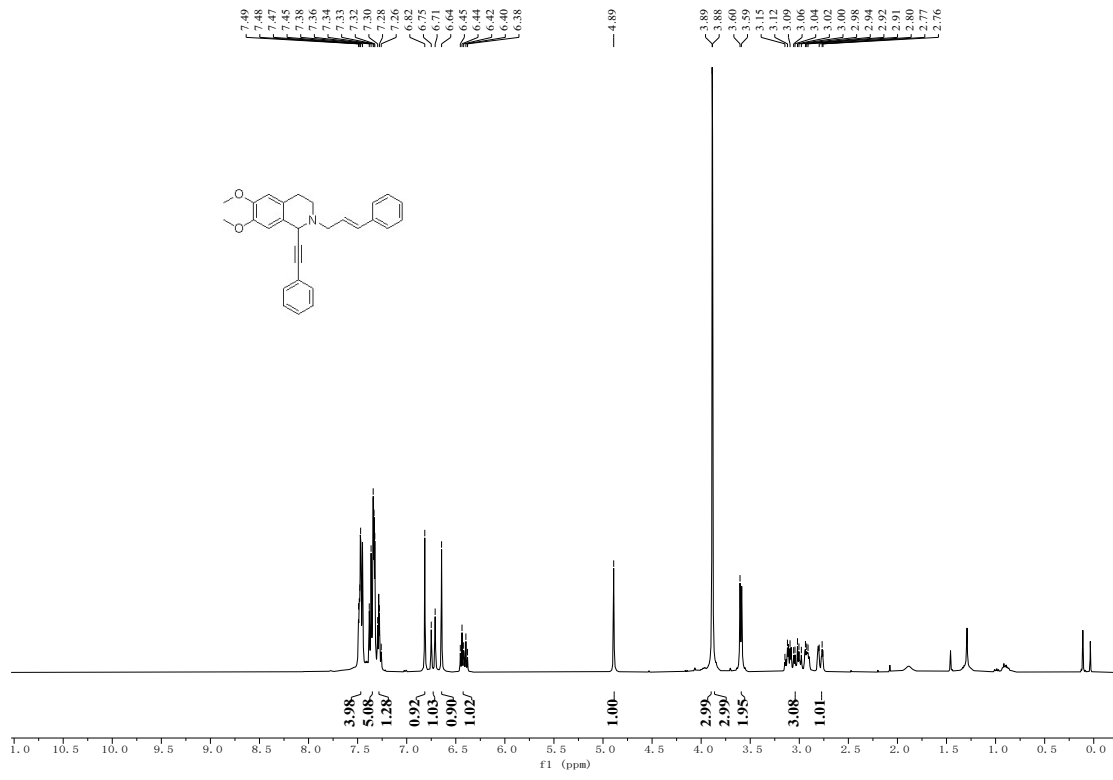
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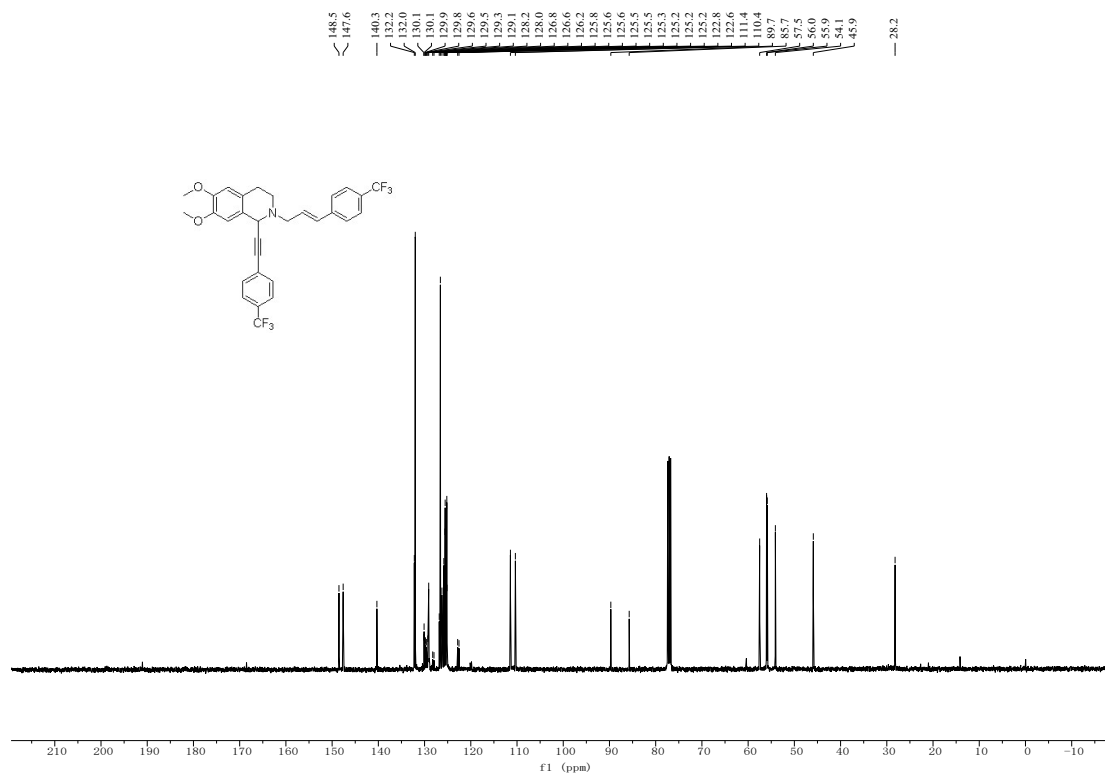
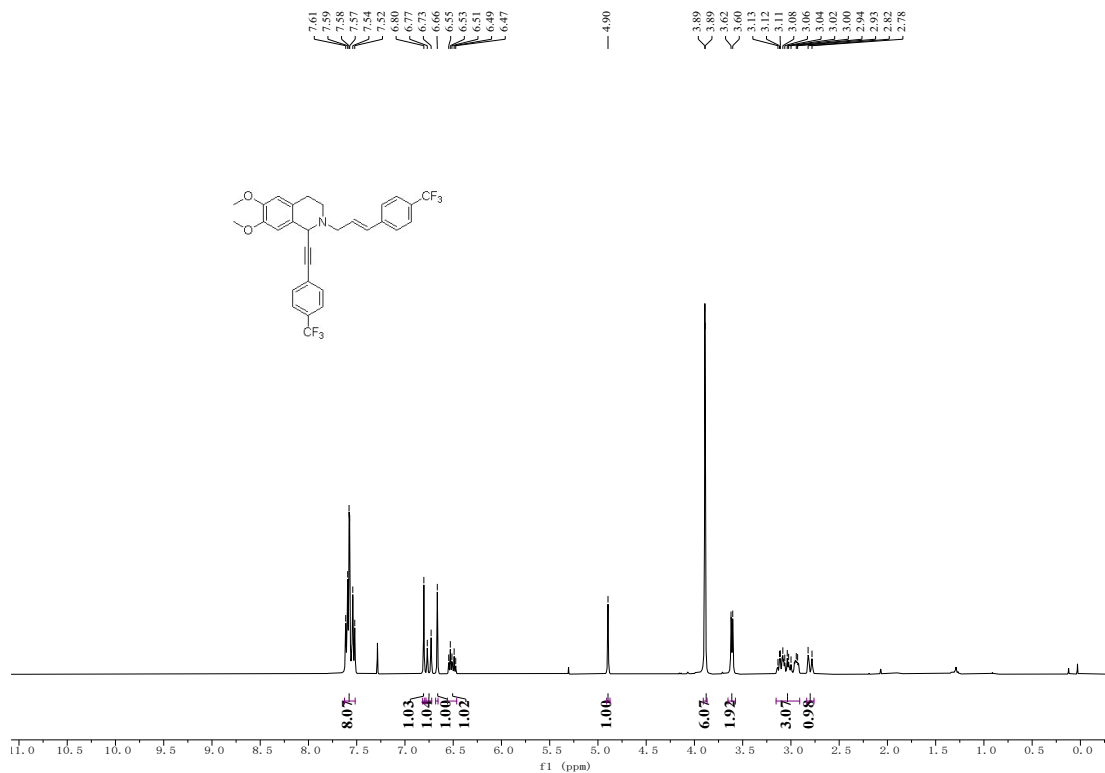
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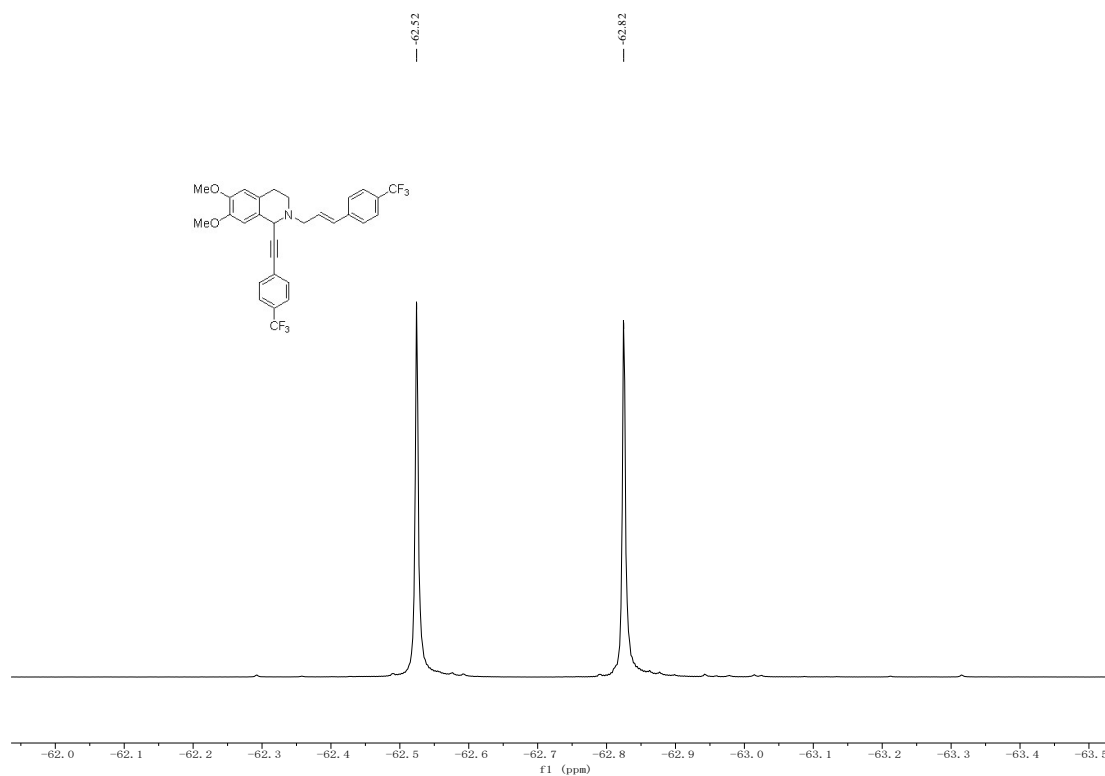


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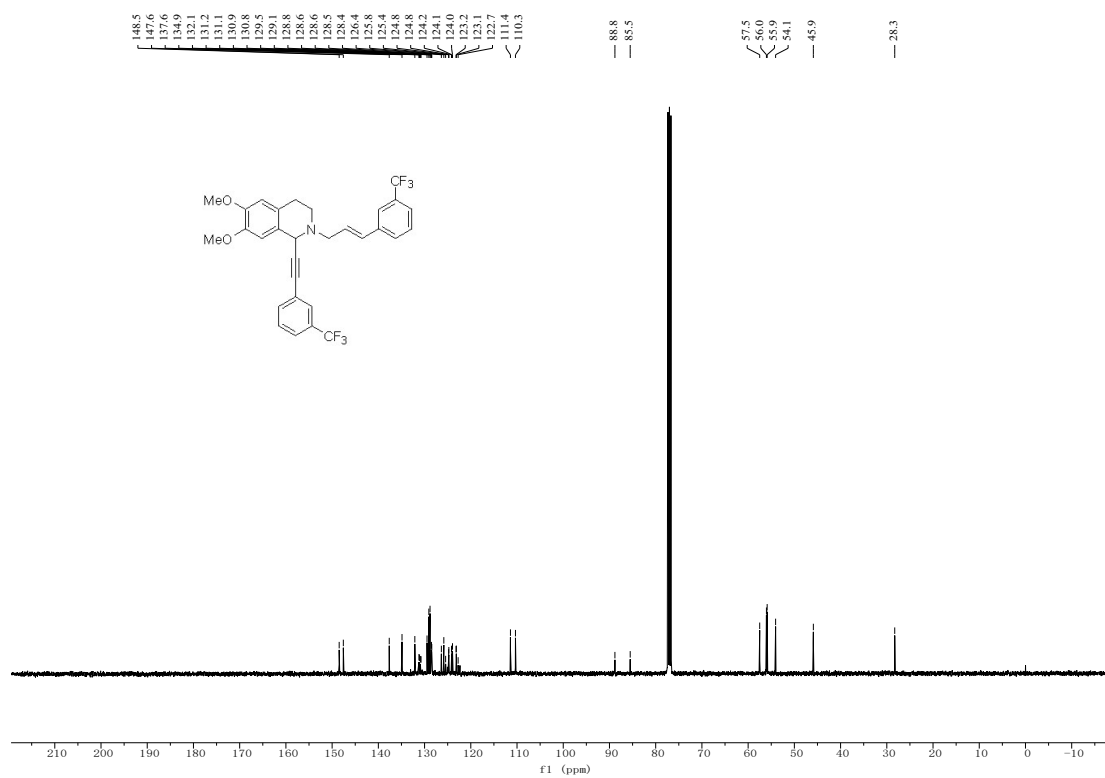
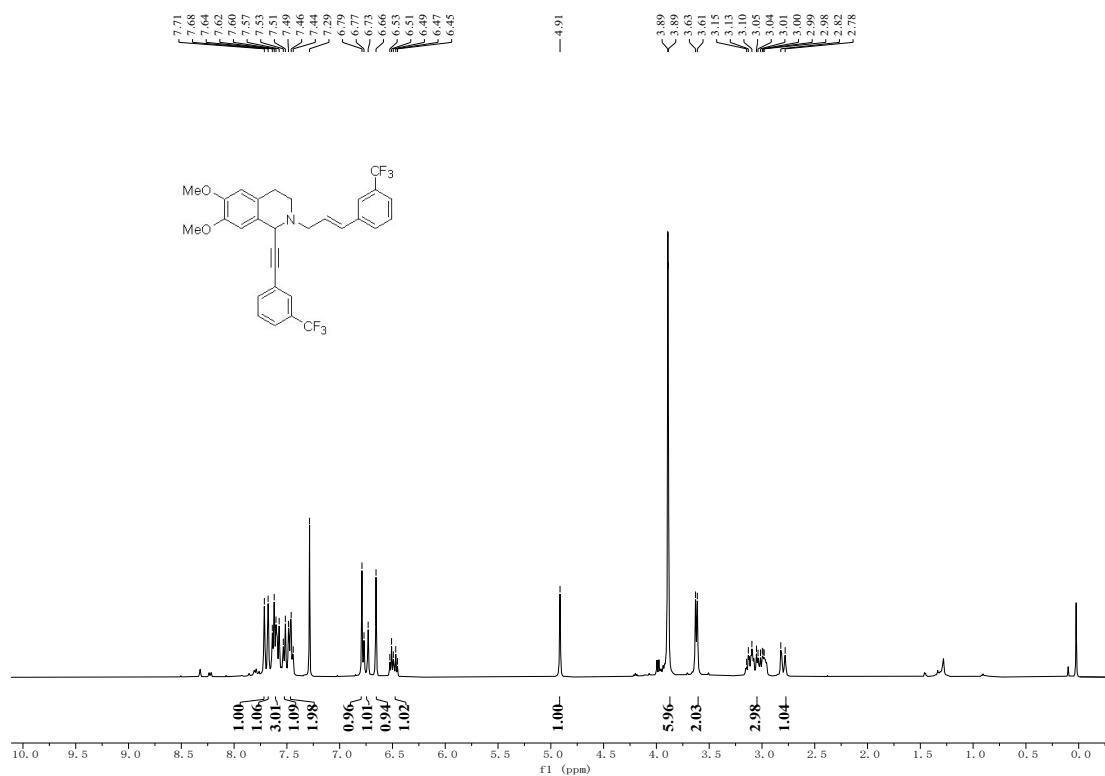


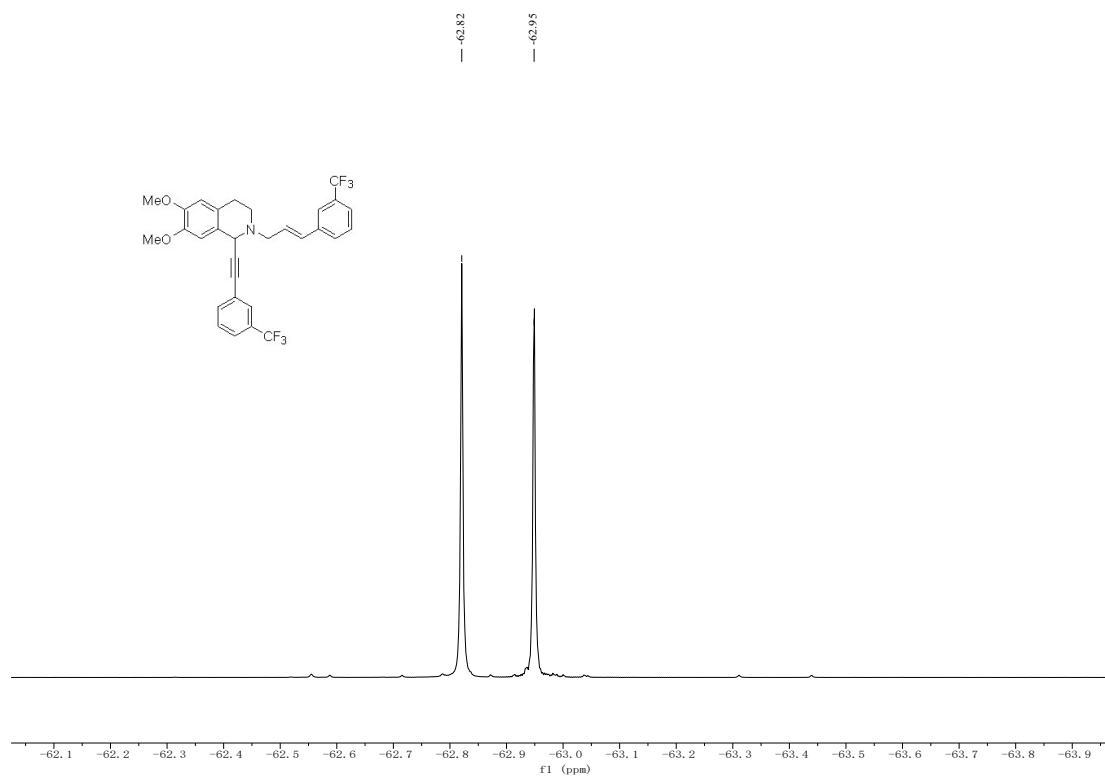
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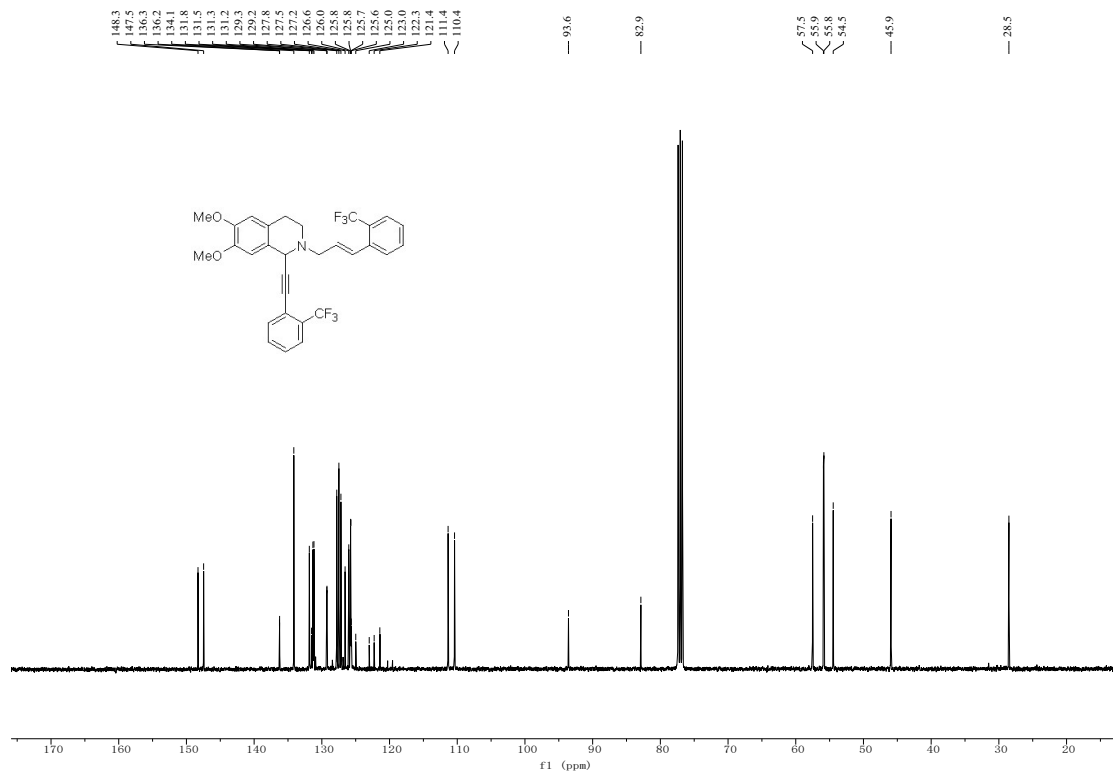
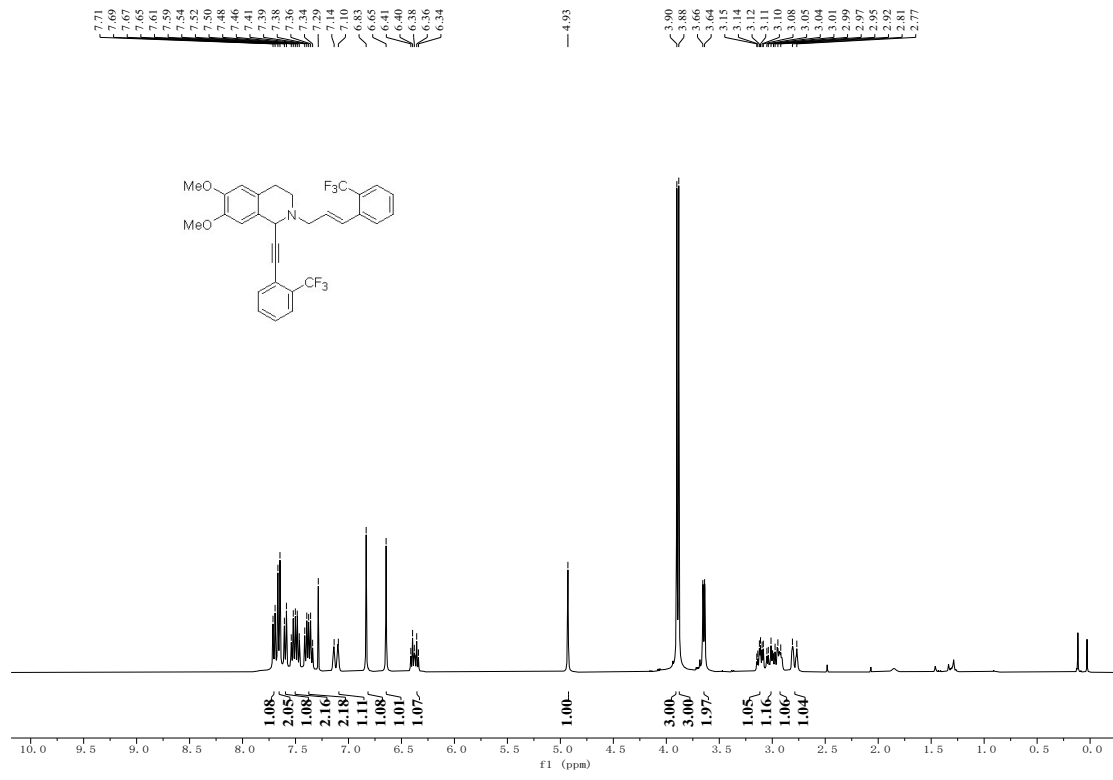


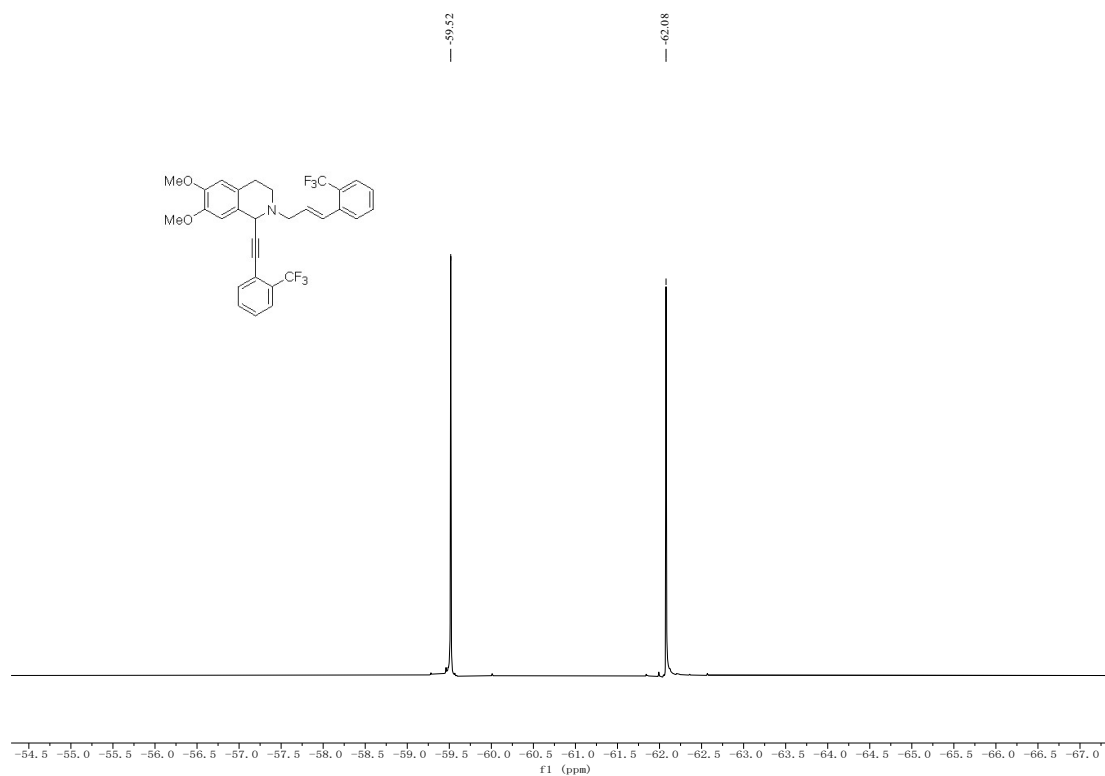
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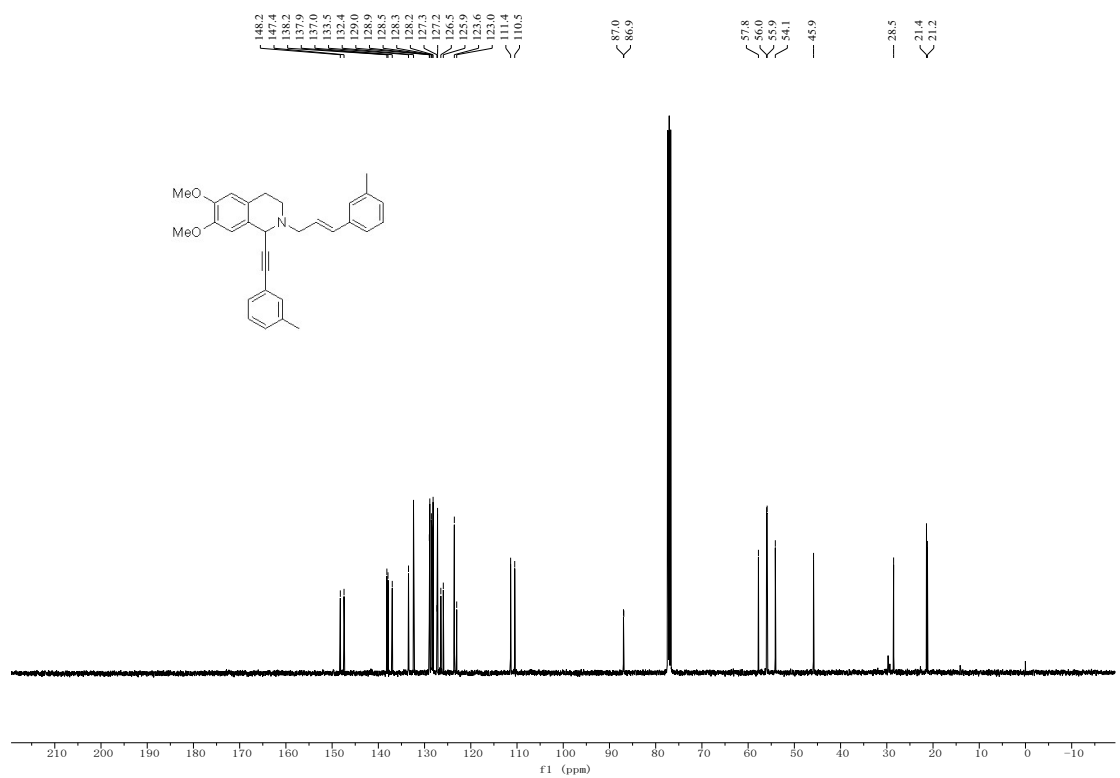
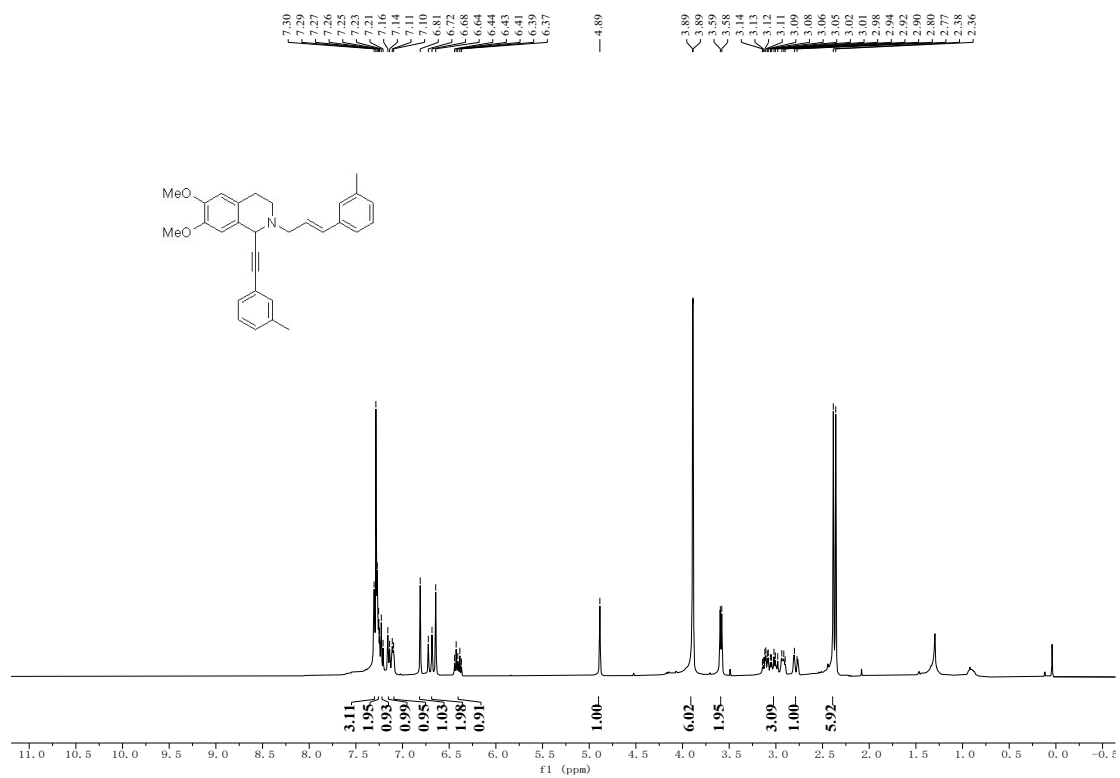


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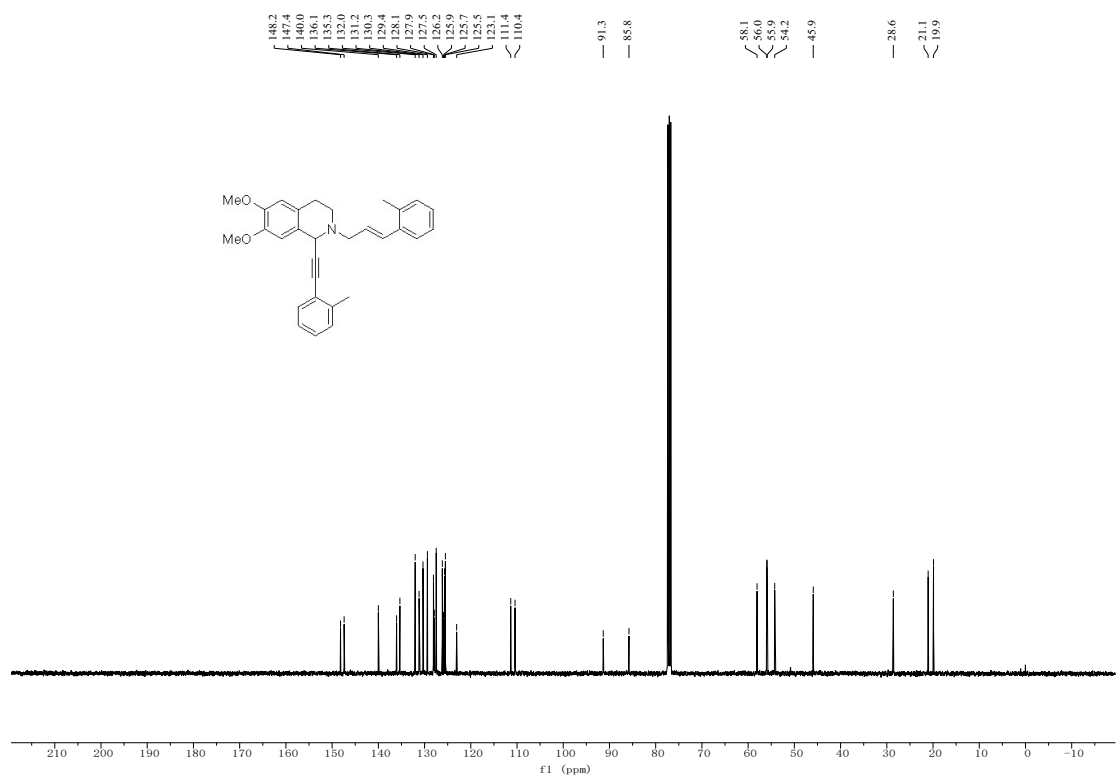
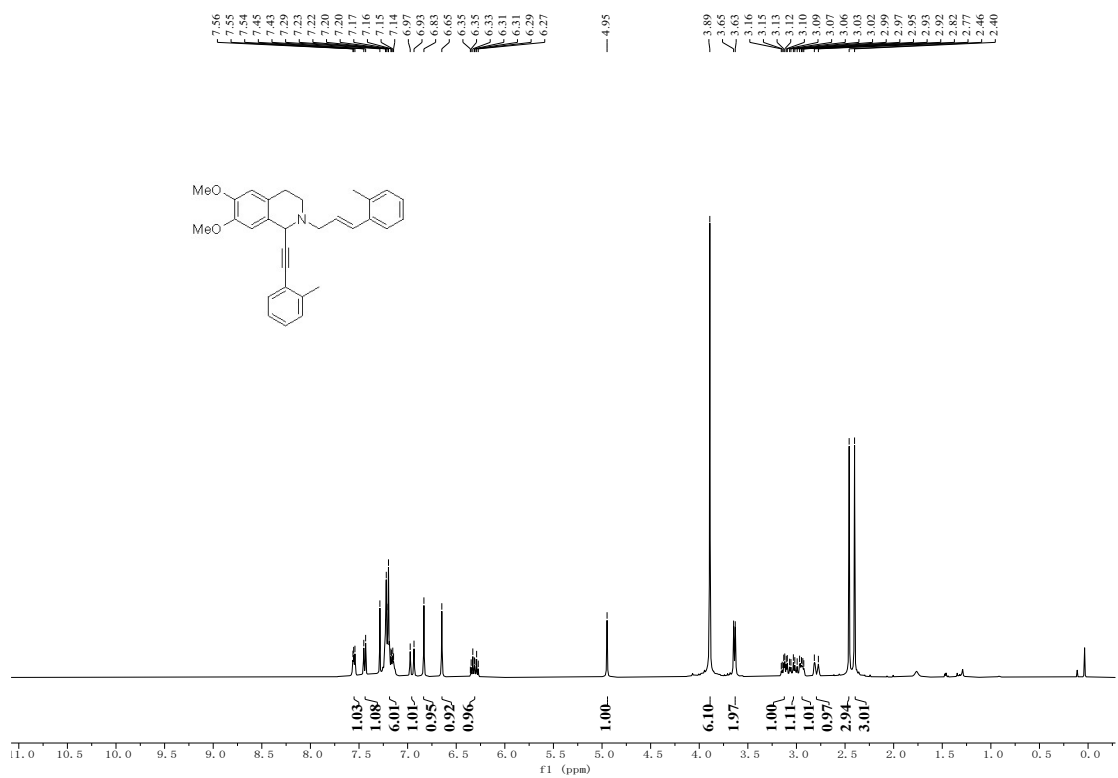




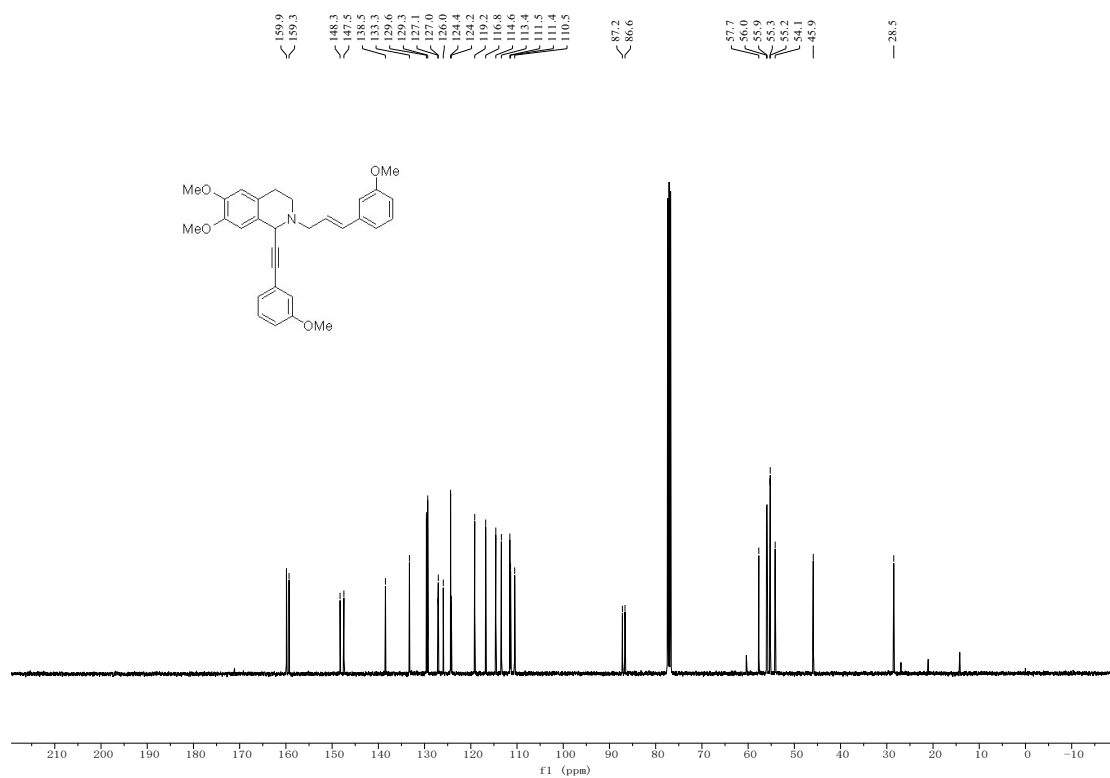
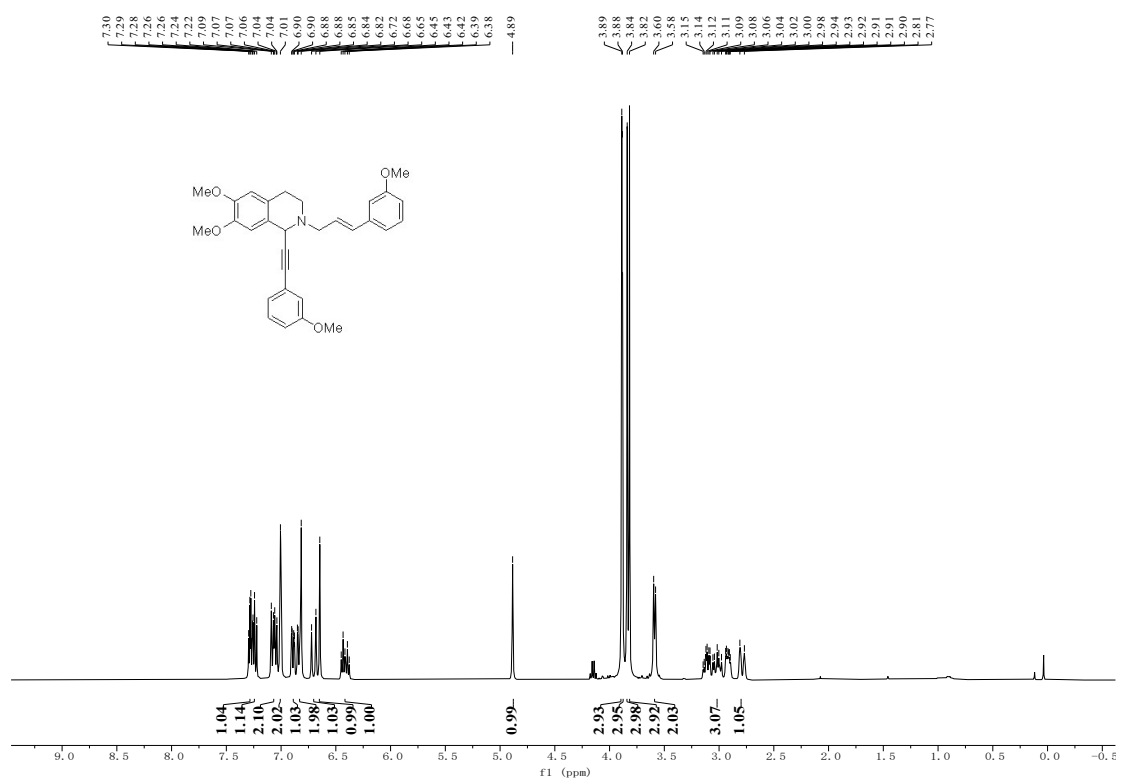
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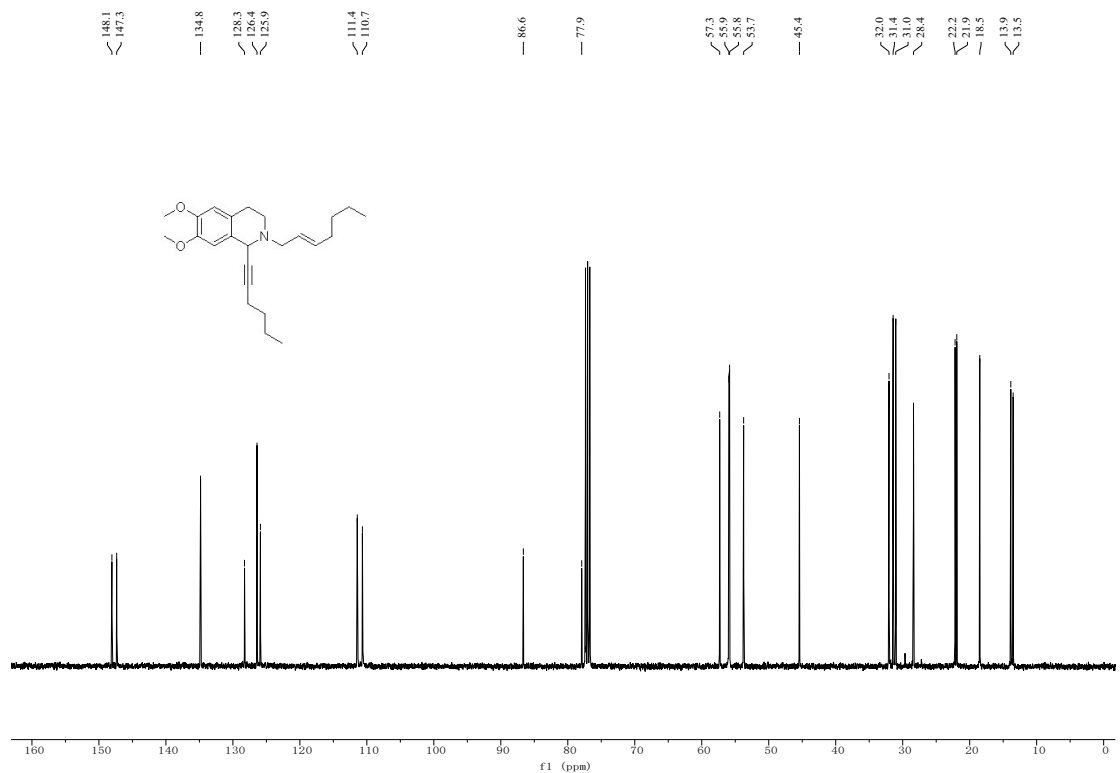
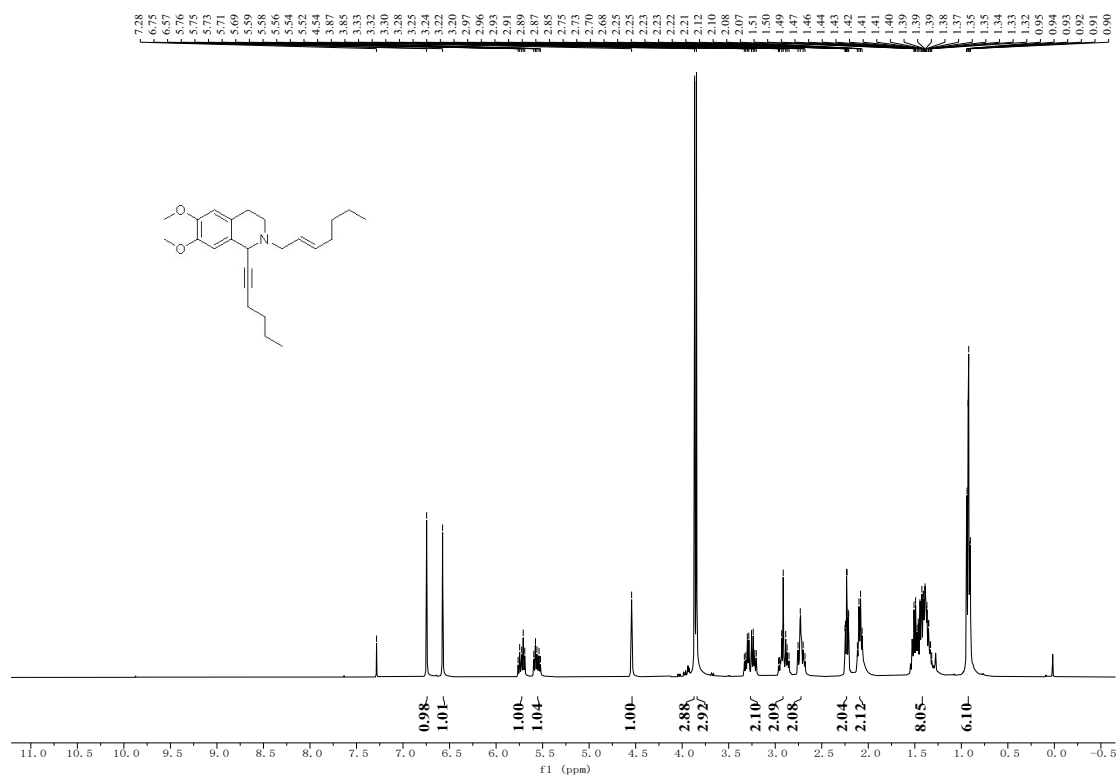
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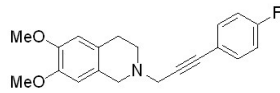
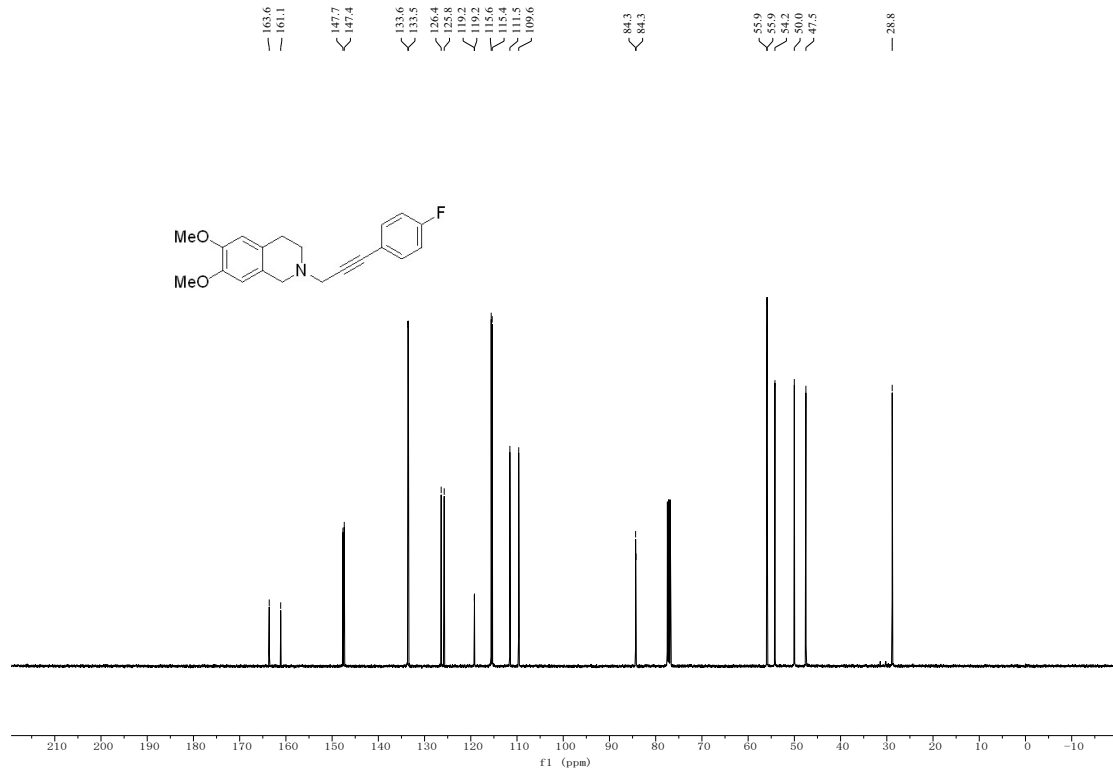
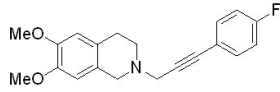
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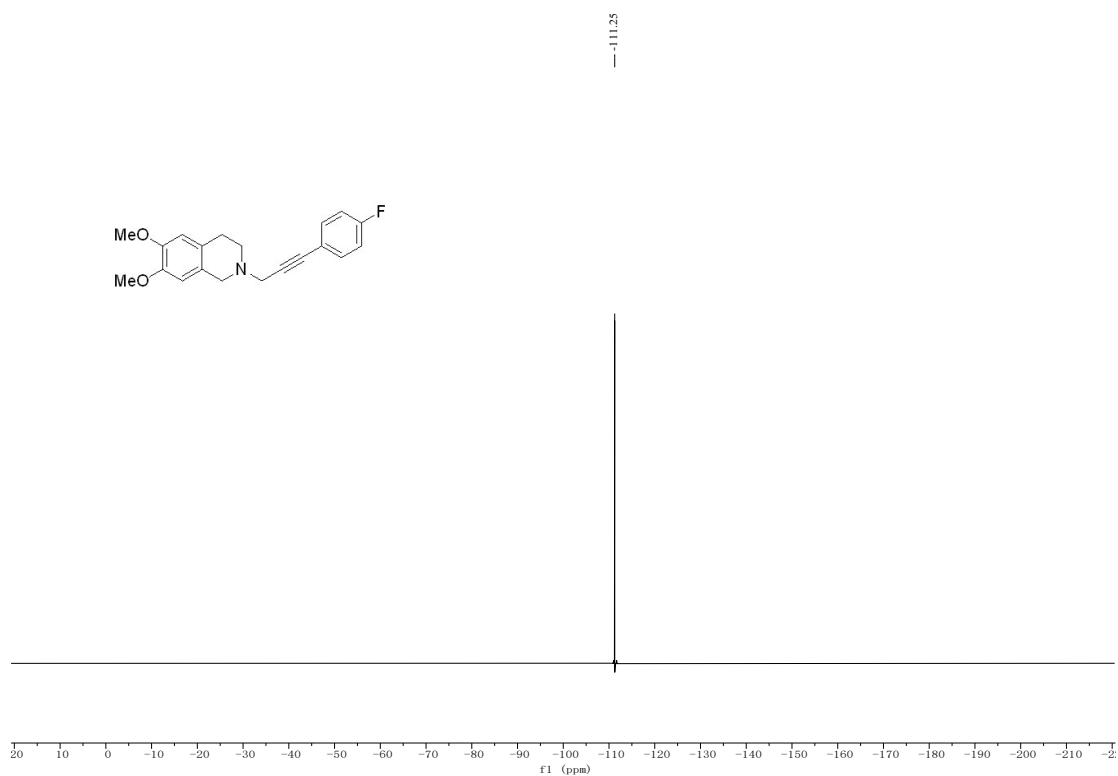


***(E)*-2-(hept-2-en-1-yl)-1-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)-6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline(4z)**

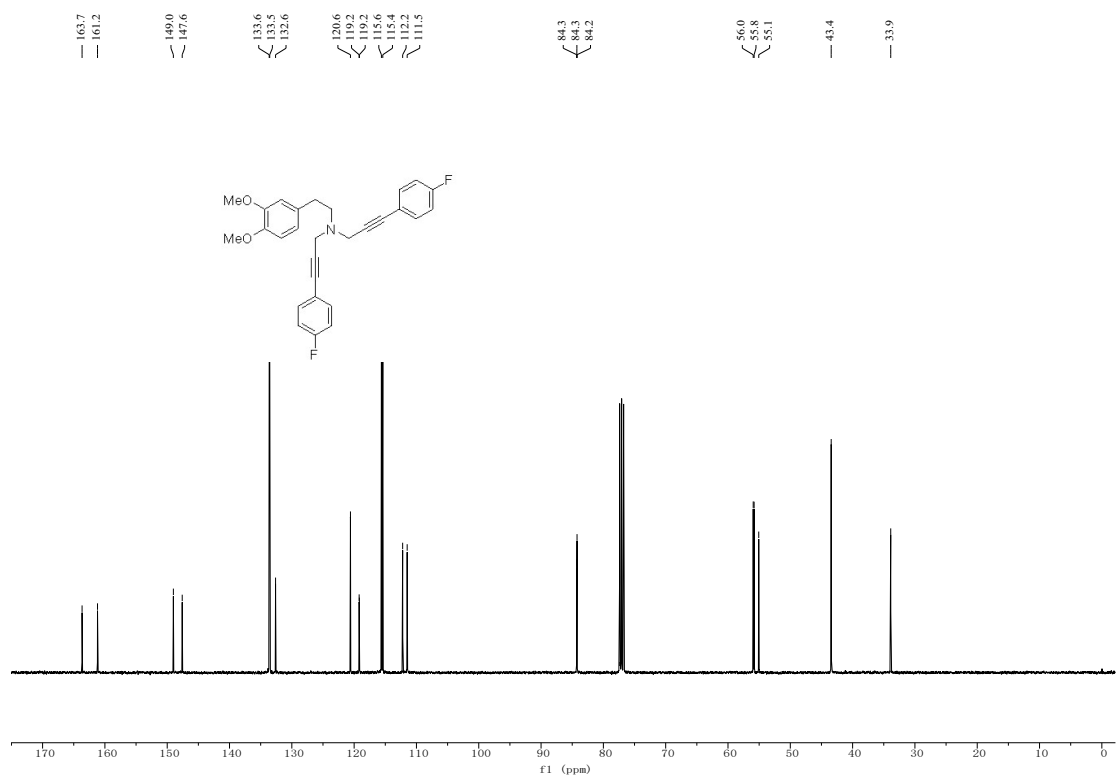
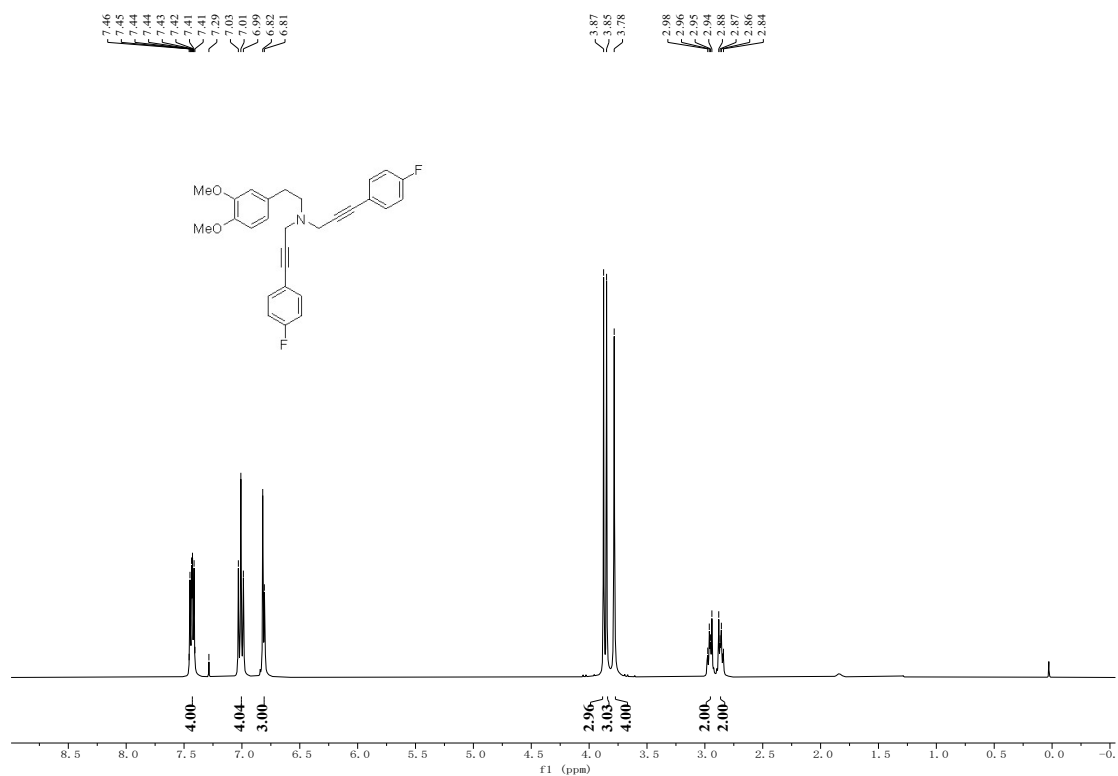


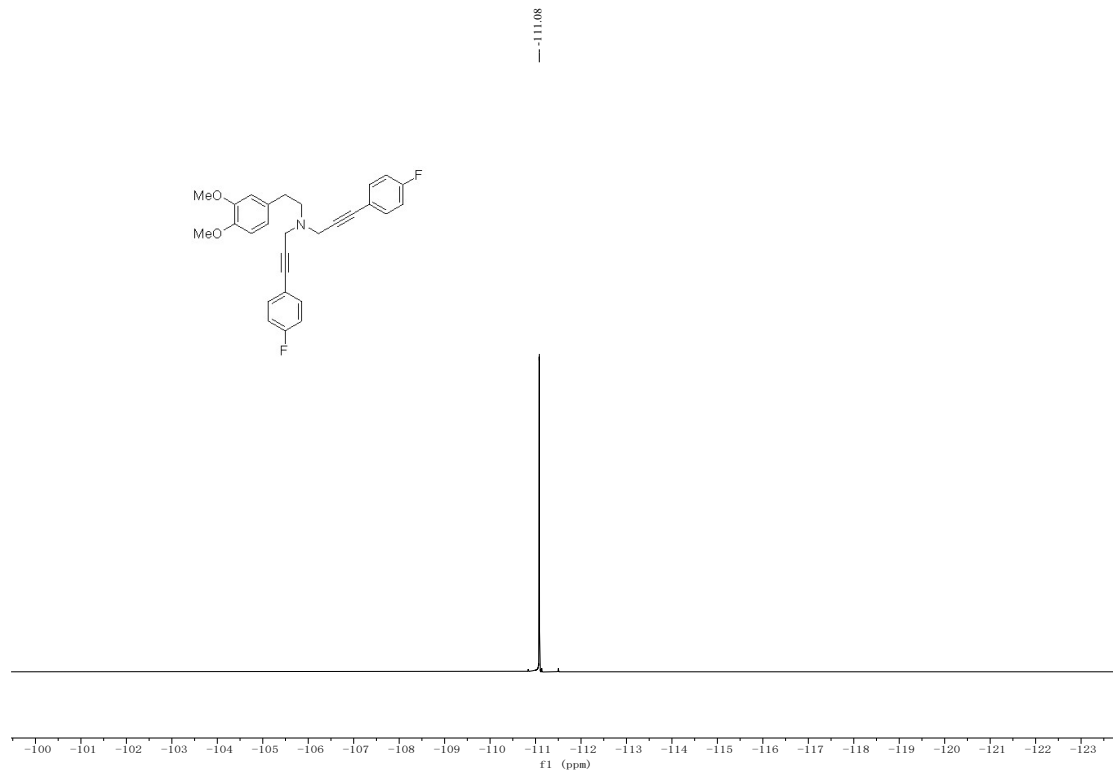
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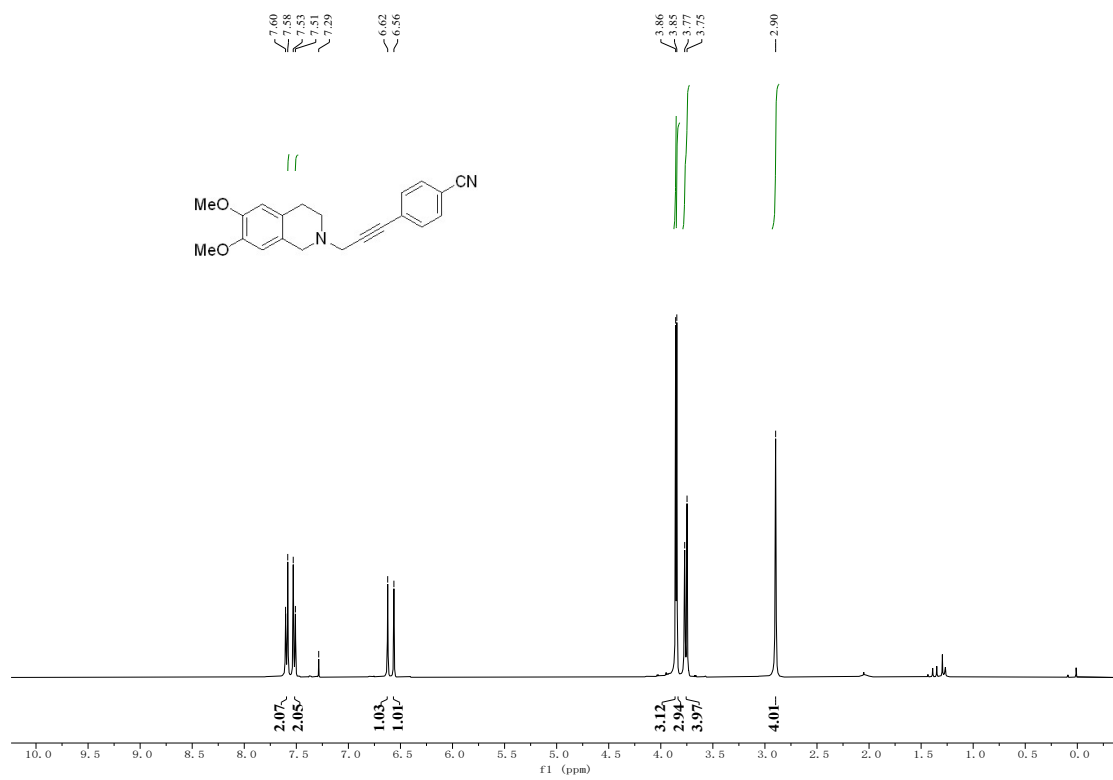


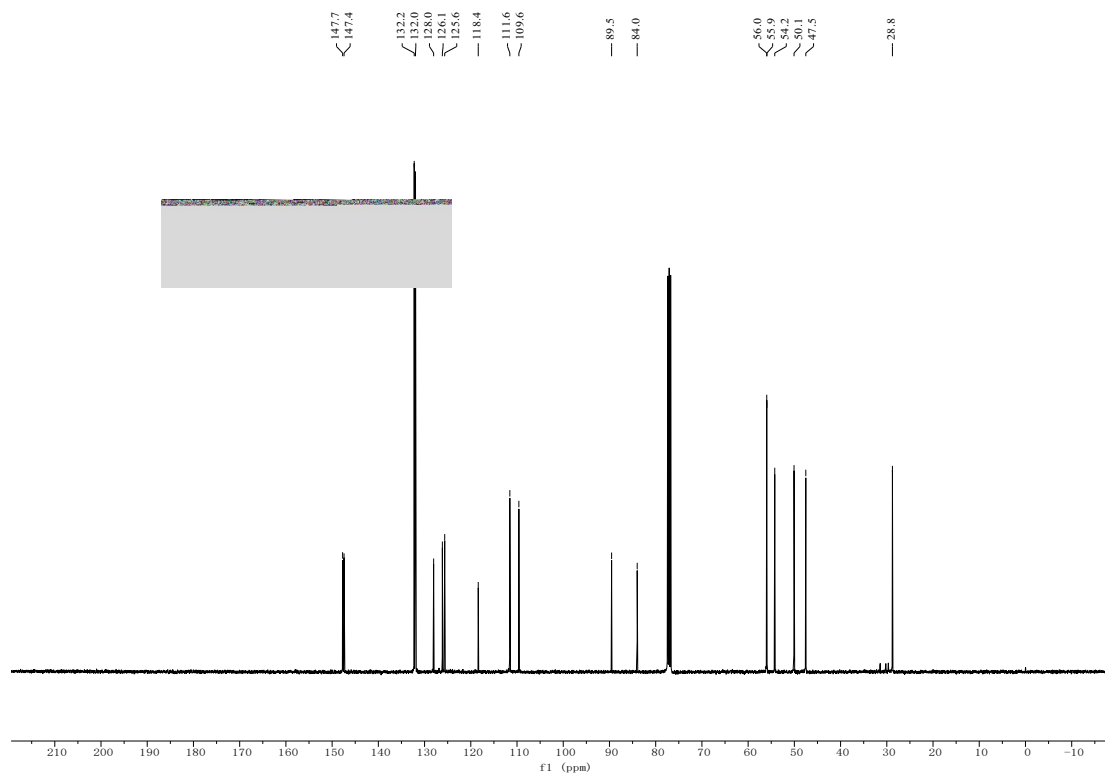
***N*-(3,4-dimethoxyphenethyl)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-*N*-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)prop-2-yn-1-amine(6)**





4-(3-(6,7-dimethoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)prop-1-yn-1-yl)benzonitrile(5p)





6,7-dimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline(7p)

