## Supporting Information

# A simple method for arylation of secondary amides/amines through

## NaH-initiated aryne generation strategy

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## 1. General information

Unless otherwise noted, reagents, catalysts, and solvents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Reactions which proceeded under heating were performed in an oil bath. Reaction progress was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) performed on glass plates coated with silica gel GF254 with 0.2 mm thickness. Chromatograms were visualized by fluorescence quenching with UV light at 254 nm or by staining using potassium permanganate. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel 60 (200-300 mesh). Mass spectra were obtained using a TOF MS instrument ESI source.

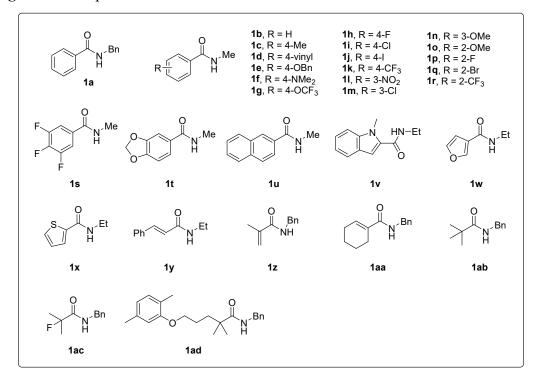
NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AV-400 spectrometer (<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>19</sup>F at 400 MHz, 101 MHz, 376 MHz, respectively). <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts were determined in reference to (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>Si (TMS) at  $\delta$  0.00 ppm, or to the residual un-deuterated solvent of CDCl<sub>3</sub> at  $\delta$  7.26 ppm,  $d_6$ -DMSO at  $\delta$  2.50 ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts were determined in reference to the signal of the solvent CDCl<sub>3</sub> triplet at  $\delta$  77.16 ppm,  $d_6$ -DMSO multiplet at  $\delta$  39.52 ppm. Data for <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>19</sup>F NMR were recorded as follows: chemical shift ( $\delta$ , ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublets, dt = doublet of triplets, td = triplet of doublets, qt = quartet of triplets, tq = triplet of quartets, br = broad).

## 2. Synthesis of starting materials (Figure S1-S3)

Amides 1a, 1b, pyridones 1dd and 1de, iodobenzene 2a-2c, 2j, 2n, 2o and dibromobenzene 2e are commercially available. Other substrates are synthesized according to the literature procedures as follows.

## **2.1 Preparation of amides**

Figure S1. compounds 1a-1ad

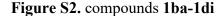


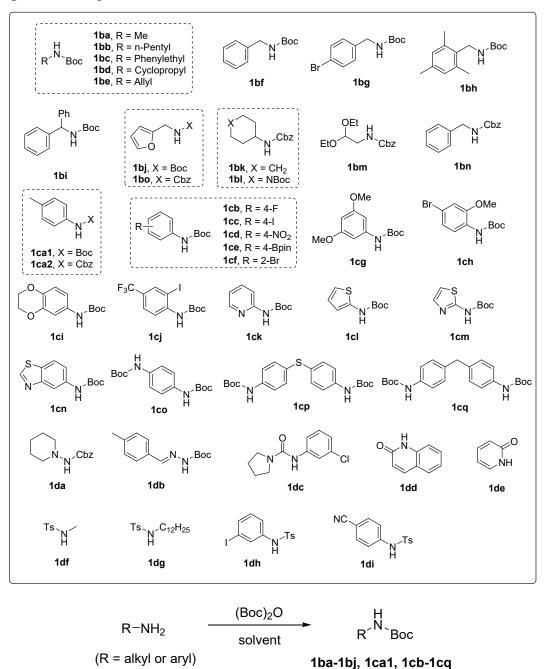
$$(Ar) OH \xrightarrow{CI} OH \xrightarrow{CI} OH \xrightarrow{CI} OH \xrightarrow{CI} OH \xrightarrow{CI} OH \xrightarrow{O} OH \xrightarrow{CI} OH \xrightarrow{O} O$$

General procedure for the synthesis of substrates 1c-1y:<sup>[1]</sup> To a solution of carboxylic acid (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL, 0.5 M), 1 drop of DMF was added, followed by the slow addition of oxalyl chloride (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously for 1-2 hours. After the suspension was turned into a homogeneous solution, the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The resulting crude acyl chloride was redissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 ml, 0.5 M). Methylamine hydrochloride (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv, for 1c-1u) or ethylamine hydrochloride (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv, for 1v-1y) and TEA (30 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added sequentially dropwise into the reaction mixture under ice-water bath and then stirred at room temperature overnight. Water (80 mL) was added into the suspension and the resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 100 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtrated and evaporated. The pure product was obtained by column chromatography on silica gel or crystallization using a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane or pentane.

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ R_1 \end{array} + H_2 N - Bn \end{array} \xrightarrow{EDCI, DMAP} O \\ DCM, rt, 12 h \end{array} \xrightarrow{O} R_1 \overset{O}{} Bn \\ 1z-1ad \end{array}$$

General procedure for the synthesis of substrates 1z-1ad:<sup>[2]</sup> The corresponding carboxylic acid (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMAP (5 mmol, 0.5 equiv) and EDCI (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv) were dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 ml, 0.5 M), and the mixture was stirred for 20 min. Then, benzylamine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Then 1 M HCl solution (15 mL) was added into the suspension and the resulting mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL), followed by washing with 1 M HCl solution for two times and then saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution for three times. The organic phase was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate and petroleum ether as the eluent.





General procedure for the synthesis of substrates **1ba-1bj**, **1ca1**, **1cb-1cc**, **1ce-1ci**, **1cl-1cn**:<sup>[3]</sup> To a solution of primary amine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (20 mL, 0.5 M) was added (Boc)<sub>2</sub>O (12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), then the mixture was stirred at 30-50 °C for 1-12 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated directly in vacuo. The pure product was obtained by column chromatography on silica gel or crystallization using a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane.

General procedure for the synthesis of substrates **1cd** and **1cj**:<sup>[4]</sup> To a solution of arylamine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (30 mL, 0.33 M) was added (Boc)<sub>2</sub>O (12 mmol, 1.2 equiv). After reflux at 100 °C for 4-6 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated directly in vacuo. The pure product was obtained by column

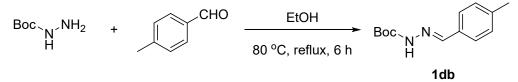
chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate and petroleum ether or hexane as the eluent.

Procedure for the synthesis of substrate 1ck:<sup>[5]</sup> To a solution of pyridin-2-amine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in *t*-BuOH (20 mL, 0.5 M) was added (Boc)<sub>2</sub>O (12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), then the mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated directly in vacuo. The pure product was obtained by crystallization using ethyl acetate and hexane.

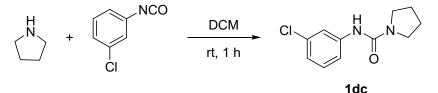
General procedure for the synthesis of substrates 1co-1cq:<sup>[3]</sup> To a solution of arylamine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (20 mL, 0.5 M) was added (Boc)<sub>2</sub>O (24 mmol, 2.4 equiv), then the mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated directly in vacuo. The pure product was obtained by crystallization using a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane.

$$\begin{array}{c} R - NH_2 \\ (R = alkyl \text{ or aryl}) \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} CbzCl, EtN(i-Pr)_2 \\ \hline DMAP, DCM, 0 \ ^{\circ}C \text{ to } rt \end{array}} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} H \\ R^{-N} Cbz \\ \hline 1bk-1bo, 1ca2, 1da \end{array}}$$

General procedure for the synthesis of substrates **1bk-1bo**, **1ca2**, and **1da**:<sup>[6]</sup> Benzyl chloroformate (11 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added dropwise to a solution of amine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMAP (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and DIPEA (21 mmol, 2.1 equiv) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (25 mL, 0.4 M) at 0 °C. The solution was warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was quenched with 1 M HCl solution (15 mL) and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> saturated solution and brine successively. Then, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered off and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate and petroleum ether as the eluent.



Procedure for the synthesis of substrate **1db**:<sup>[7]</sup> To the solution of *tert*-butyl hydrazinecarboxylate (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (40 mL, 0.25 M) was added 4-methylbenzaldehyde (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) at room temperature. After reflux at 80 °C for 6 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated directly in vacuo. The pure product was obtained by crystallization using a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane or pentane.

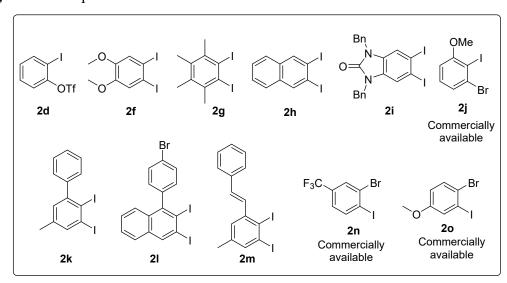


Procedure for the synthesis of substrate 1dc:<sup>[8]</sup> To the solution of pyrrolidine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (40 mL, 0.25 M) was added 3-chlorophenyl isocyanate (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) at 0 °C, then the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction

mixture was concentrated directly in vacuo. The pure product was obtained by crystallization using a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane.

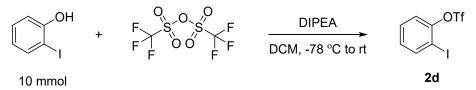
General procedure for the synthesis of substrates **1ce-1cg**:<sup>[9]</sup> To a solution of aniline (5 mmol) in DCM (20 mL) was added pyridine (791 mg, 10 mmol) and TsCl (1.91 g, 10 mmol). The resulting solution was stirred for 2 h. Then the mixture was washed with HCl (1 M aqueous solution, 20 mL) and water (20 mL). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under the reduced pressure. The obtained residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using ethyl acetate and petroleum ether as the eluent to afford the corresponding secondary sulfonamide.

## 2.2 Preparation of o-diiodoarenes



#### Figure S3. compounds 2d-2o

#### 2-Iodophenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (2d):

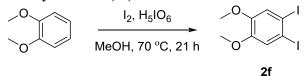


2-Iodophenol (2.20 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (25 mL) in a nitrogen-filled Schlenk flask and cooled to -78 °C. After the dropwise addition of DIPEA (2.15 mL, 1.64 g, 12.7 mmol, 1.3 equiv) and Tf<sub>2</sub>O (2.30 mL, 3.86 g, 13.7 mmol, 1.4 equiv), the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes and warmed to room temperature overnight. Addition of water was followed by extraction with ethyl acetate (three times). The combined organic phases were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated. The pure product was obtained as a colorless oil by column chromatography on silica gel using pentane as eluent, yield: 89%.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.91 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.33 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (td, J = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H).

#### **LR-MS (ESI):** m/z 352.9 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.

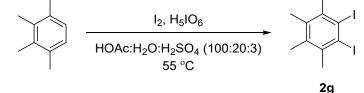
#### 1,2-Diiodo-4,5-dimethoxybenzene (2f):<sup>[10]</sup>



Iodine (10.6 g, 42 mmol, 0.8 equiv) and  $H_5IO_6$  (4.8 g, 21 mmol, 0.4 equiv) were dissolved in MeOH (80 mL, 0.66 M). 1,2-Dimethoxybenzene (7.2 g, 52.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added and the solution stirred at 70 °C for 21 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Saturated NaHSO<sub>3</sub> solution (5 mL) was added to reduce excessive iodine, filtered, and the filter cake was carefully collected and dried in an oven at 55 °C to obtain the title compound as a white solid (17.5 g, 86%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.24 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 6H).

**LR-MS (ESI):** m/z 390.8 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.

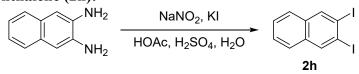
#### 1,2-Diiodo-3,4,5,6-tetramethylbenzene (2g):<sup>[11]</sup>



A mixture of 1,2,3,4-tetramethylbenzene (7.38 g, 55.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv),  $H_5IO_6$  (3.58 g, 15.7 mmol, 0.29 equiv) and iodine (11.96 g, 47.1 mmol, 0.86 equiv) were heated in a mixture of acetic acid, water and sulfuric acid (100:20:3, 100 mL) to 55 °C. The mixture was stirred overnight at 55 °C and then poured into a dilute solution of sodium bisulfite. The tan solid precipitate was filtered, and the remainder of the product in filtrate was extracted with dichloromethane for three times. The organic layer was evaporated, combined with the above precipitate, and recrystalized in methanol to afford **2g** as a white solid (17.0 g, 80%).

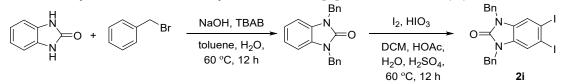
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.69 (s, 6H), 2.28 (s, 6H). LR-MS (ESI): m/z 386.9 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.

#### 2,3-Diiodonaphthalene (2h):<sup>[12]</sup>



To a solution of NaNO<sub>2</sub> (1.06 g, 15.4 mmol, 2.3 equiv) in concentrated sulfuric acid (15 mL) was added a solution of 2,3-diaminonaphthalene (1.06 g, 6.70 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in acetic acid (20 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 10 min at 0 °C, the purple suspension was added to a solution of potassium iodide (11.1 g, 66.9 mmol, 10.0 equiv) in water (30 mL). After stirring at 60 °C for 1 h, a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was added, and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The extract was washed with a saturated aqueous solution of sodium thiosulfate and brine, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After removal of the solvent, the residue was purified by column chromatography to obtain the pure product **2h** as a white solid (1.01 g, 39%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.41 (s, 2H), 7.67 (dd, J = 6.0, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (dd, J = 6.3, 3.2 Hz, 2H).

#### 1,3-Dibenzyl-5,6-diiodo-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[d]imidazol-2-one (2i):<sup>[13]</sup>



A mixture of NaOH (3.05 g, 76.2 mmol, 3.8 equiv), TBAB (0.65 g, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), 2-hydroxybenzimidazole (2.68 g, 20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and benzyl bromide (8.20 g, 48.0 mol, 2.4 equiv) in a mixture of water (15 mL) and toluene (15 mL) was stirred at 60 °C for 12 h and cooled to room temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with water and extracted with ethyl acetate (three times). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The pure intermediate (5.53 g, 88%) was obtained by column chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate and petroleum ether as the eluent.

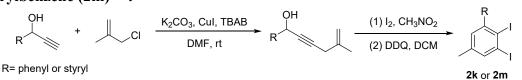
A mixture of the above intermediate (5.53 g, 17.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv), HIO<sub>3</sub> (1.55 g, 8.8 mmol, 0.5 equiv), and I<sub>2</sub>(4.52 g, 17.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in a mixture of solvents CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL), acetic acid (17.6 mL), and aqueous sulfuric acid solution (20% w/w, 10.6 mL) were stirred at 60 °C for 12 h and then cooled to room temperature. The reaction mixture was slowly poured into water, and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  for three times. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaHSO<sub>3</sub> solution and brine successively, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The pure product **2i** (6.28 g, 63%) was obtained by crystallization using a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.37 – 7.25 (m, 12H), 5.03 (s, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.0, 135.5, 130.8, 129.1, 128.1, 127.4, 118.2, 97.2, 45.2.

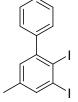
**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{17}I_2N_2O (M + H)]^+$ : 566.9430, found: 566.9431.

# **2,3-Diiodo-5-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl** (2k) and (*E*)-1,2-diiodo-5-methyl-3-styrylbenzene (2m)<sup>[14]</sup>:



To a stirred solution of 1-phenylprop-2-yn-1-ol (1.32 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) or (*E*)-1phenylpent-1-en-4-yn-3-ol (1.58 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dry DMF (10 mL) under nitrogen were sequentially added  $K_2CO_3$  (1.93 g, 14 mmol, 1.4 equiv), tetrabutylammonium bromide (483 mg, 1.5 mmol, 0.15 equiv), and copper(I) iodide (96 mg, 0.5 mmol, 0.05 equiv) at room temperature. After 15 min, 3-chloro-2methylprop-1-ene (1.36 g, 15 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. Then it was poured into water and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (3 x 30 mL) and brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and the solvents were removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the intermediate as a yellow oil. To a solution of the above intermediate (8.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in wet  $CH_3NO_2$  (115 mL, 0.07 M) was added I<sub>2</sub> (3.66 g, 14.4 mmol, 1.8 equiv) at room temperature and stirred for 2 h. After completion of the reaction monitored by TLC, an appropriate amount of saturated NaHSO<sub>3</sub> solution was added to reduce excessive iodine, and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 50 mL). The organic phase was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (160 mL, 0.05 M), and DDQ (3.63 g, 16 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added at room temperature. When the reaction was completed as determined by TLC, the reaction mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue sports of pressure. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel to afford corresponding 2,3-diiodobenzenes **2k** or **2m**.

#### 2,3-Diiodo-5-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl (2k):



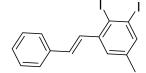
The title compound was obtained as colorless oil, yield 66%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H).

**LR-MS (ESI):** m/z 420.8 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.

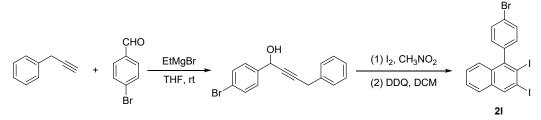
The <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **2k** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[14]</sup>.

## (*E*)-1,2-diiodo-5-methyl-3-styrylbenzene (2m):



The title compound was obtained as a yellow oil, yield 61%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.66 (s, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.25 (m, 5H), 6.79 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H). LR-MS (ESI): m/z 446.9 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **2m** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[14]</sup>.

## 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2,3-diiodonaphthalene (21)<sup>[15]</sup>:



To a solution of prop-2-yn-1-ylbenzene (6.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in THF (5 mL) was added EtMgBr (5.5 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 1.1 equiv) at room temperature, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at 50 °C. 4-Bromobenzaldehyde (925 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (1 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature for 1 h and then quenched with aqueous  $NH_4Cl$ . The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate, washed with water and saturated brine, dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ 

and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel to afford propargylic alcohol (1.2 g, 80%).

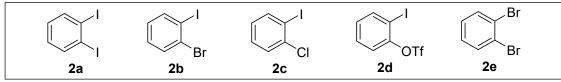
To a solution of propargylic alcohol (1.2 g, 4.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in wet CH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (60 mL, 0.067 M) was added I<sub>2</sub> (2.03 g, 8.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) at room temperature and stirred for 2 h. After completion of the reaction monitored by TLC, an appropriate amount of saturated NaHSO<sub>3</sub> solution was added to reduce excessive iodine, and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 30 mL). The organic phase was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (80 mL) at room temperature without purification, and then DDQ (2.72 g, 12 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added. When the reaction was completed as determined by TLC, the reaction mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was disconted pressure. The residue was glass of the reaction mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel to afford the title compound **2l** as a yellow solid (1.35 g, 63%).

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.53 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.48 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (ddd, J = 8.2, 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 7.04 (m, 2H).

**LR-MS (ESI):** m/z 535.7 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.

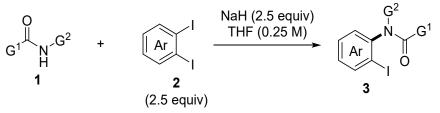
#### 3. Table S1. Optimization of the reaction conditions for amides

N <sup>Bn</sup> + aryne base (Y o				Bn N Ph			Bn		
N <sup>DII</sup> aryne <u>base (Y equiv)</u> N <sup>Ph</sup> + N <sup>Ph</sup>									
T, t									
1a	<b>i</b> , 0.6 mmol <b>2</b> , 2	X equiv	L	3a		4a			
entry	aryne precursor (X equiv)	base (Y equiv)	temp (°C)	solvent	time	yield <b>3a</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>	yield <b>4a</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>		
1	<b>2a</b> (2.0)	NaH (3.0)	30	THF	15 h	54	31		
2	<b>2a</b> (2.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	77	7		
3	<b>2a</b> (2.0)	NaH (2.0)	30	THF	15 h	86	0		
4	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (2.0)	30	THF	15 h	88	0		
5	<b>2a</b> (3.0)	NaH (2.0)	30	THF	15 h	88	0		
6	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (1.5)	30	THF	15 h	73	0		
7	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	90	0		
8	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (3.0)	30	THF	15 h	85	4		
9	<b>2a</b> (3.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	88	0		
10	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	1 h	90	0		
11	<b>2b</b> (3.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	74	0		
12	<b>2c</b> (3.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	8	4		
13	<b>2d</b> (3.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	67	7		
14	<b>2e</b> (3.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	THF	15 h	0	0		
15	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (2.5)	0	THF	24 h	0	0		
16	<b>2a</b> (2.5)	NaH (2.5)	50	THF	1 h	88	0		
17	<b>2a</b> (2.0)	KH (2.5)	30	THF	1 h	11	2		
18	<b>2a</b> (2.0)	$CaH_{2}(2.5)$	50	THF	1 h	<5	0		
19	<b>2a</b> (2.0)	LiH (2.5)	50	THF	1 h	<5	0		
20	<b>1a</b> (2.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	DMA	1 h	70	8		
21	<b>1a</b> (2.0)	NaH (2.5)	30	DME	1 h	68	2		



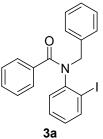
<sup>*a*</sup>Isolated yield. DMA = N, N-Dimethylacetamide, DME = 1,2-Dimethoxyethane.

## 4. The reaction of N-arylation of amides



**General procedure:** To NaH (60% in oil, 60 mg, 1.5 mmol, 2.5 equiv) in a vial was slowly added a solution of amides **1** (0.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in anhydrous THF (2.0 mL). After stirred at rt for 1-3 min, aryne precursor **2** (1.5 mmol, 2.5 equiv) in anhydrous THF (0.4 mL) was added and the mixture was warmed to 30 °C. After stirring at 30 °C for the indicated time, the reaction was slowly poured into ice water (5 mL). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate for three times. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated under vacuum. The pure product **3** was obtained by column chromatography on silica gel.

## N-benzyl-N-(2-iodophenyl)benzamide (3a):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 1 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 223 mg, yield 90%. Melting Point: 88-89 °C.

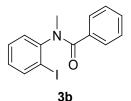
Scale-up: when 1a (1.0 g, 4.74 mmol) was employed in this reaction, 1.8 g of 3a was obtained, 92% yield.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.77 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (m, 5H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.5, 144.6, 140.2, 136.9, 136.0, 132.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 100.1, 52.5.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{17}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 414.0355, found: 414.0351. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3a** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[16]</sup>.

#### *N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (3b):



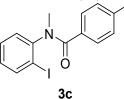
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 3 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 172 mg, yield 85%. Melting Point: 139-140 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.8, 147.0, 140.2, 135.7, 130.2, 129.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.4, 127.7, 99.1, 37.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{13}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 338.0042, found: 338.0039. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3b** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[17]</sup>.

*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzamide (3c):



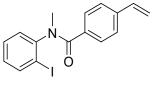
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 10 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 196 mg, yield 93%. Melting Point: 102-103 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.80 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.09 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 – 6.85 (m, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.8, 147.2, 140.1, 139.9, 132.7, 130.1, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 99.1, 37.6, 21.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{15}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 352.0198, found: 352.0197. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3c** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[18, 19]</sup>.

N-(2-iodophenyl)-N-methyl-4-vinylbenzamide (3d):



3d

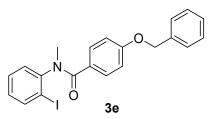
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 4 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 179 mg, yield 82%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.79 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (m, 1H), 5.68 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.5, 147.1, 140.2, 138.9, 136.1, 134.9, 130.1, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 125.5, 115.3, 99.1, 37.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{16}H_{15}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 364.0198, found: 364.0199.

4-(Benzyloxy)-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (3e):



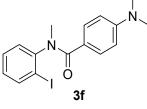
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 6 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 239 mg, yield 90%. Melting Point: 94-95 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.82 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.28 (m, 7H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.97 (s, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.3, 159.9, 147.4, 140.2, 136.4, 130.5, 130.0, 129.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 127.4, 113.8, 99.1, 69.9, 37.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{19}INO_2 (M + H)]$  +: 444.0460, found: 444.0458.

## 4-(Dimethylamino)-N-(2-iodophenyl)-N-methylbenzamide (3f):



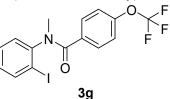
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 10 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 96 mg, yield 42%. Melting Point: 165-166 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.84 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.11 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 2.90 (s, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.8, 151.3, 148.1, 140.1, 130.6, 129.9, 129.4, 128.6, 122.2, 110.4, 99.2, 40.0, 38.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{16}H_{18}IN_2O (M + H)]^+$ : 381.0464, found: 381.0461.

## *N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methyl-4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzamide (3g):



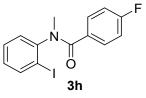
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 1 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 232 mg, yield 92%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.2, 149.8, 146.4, 140.2, 134.1, 130.1, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 120.1 (q, J = 258.6 Hz, 124.0, 121.4, 118.8, 116.3), 119.6, 98.9, 37.5. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -57.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{12}F_3INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 421.9865, found: 421.9862.

4-Fluoro-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (3h):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 2 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 192 mg, yield 90%. Melting Point: 80-81 °C.

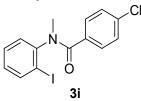
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.37 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  169.7, 163.3 (d, J = 250.5 Hz, 164.6, 162.1), 146.9, 140.3, 131.8 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 131.8, 131.7), 130.8 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 130.8, 130.7), 130.0, 129.5, 129.2, 114.7 (d, J = 21.8 Hz, 114.8, 114.6), 99.0, 37.7. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -109.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}FINO (M + H)]^+$ : 355.9948, found: 355.9946.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3h** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[18]</sup>.

#### 4-Chloro-N-(2-iodophenyl)-N-methylbenzamide (3i):



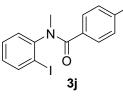
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 1 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 209 mg, yield 94%. Melting Point: 90-91 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (m, 3H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.5, 146.6, 140.3, 135.9, 134.1, 130.0, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 127.9, 99.0, 37.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}CIINO (M + H)]^+$ : 371.9652, found: 371.9647.

## 4-Iodo-N-(2-iodophenyl)-N-methylbenzamide (3j):

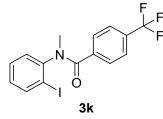


The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 2 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 241 mg, yield 87%. Melting Point: 120-121 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.06 (m, 3H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.7, 146.5, 140.2, 136.8, 135.1, 130.0, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 99.0, 96.6, 37.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}I_2NO (M + H)]^+$ : 463.9008, found: 463.9003.



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 10 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 221 mg, yield 91%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.81 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (s, 3H).

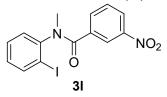
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.4, 146.3, 140.4, 139.2, 131.5 (d, J = 32.6 Hz, 131.7, 131.4), 130.1, 129.6 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 129.6, 129.6), 128.7, 124.7 (q, J = 3.5 Hz, 124.8, 124.8, 124.7, 124.7), 123.7 (q, J = 273.6 Hz, 127.7, 125.0, 122.3, 119.6), 99.0, 37.6.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -64.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{12}F_3INO (M + H)]^+$ : 405.9916, found: 405.9912.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3k** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[18]</sup>.

#### N-(2-iodophenyl)-N-methyl-3-nitrobenzamide (31):



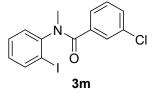
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 6 h, obtained as a white solid, 76 mg, yield 33%. Melting Point: 149-150 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 8.23 (s, 1H), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 168.1, 147.4, 146.0, 140.5, 137.3, 134.3, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 128.9, 124.6, 123.7, 99.1, 37.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}IN_2O_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 382.9893, found: 382.9892.

**3-**Chloro-*N*-(**2**-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (**3**m):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 2 h, obtained as a white solid, 187 mg, yield 84%. Melting Point: 123-124 °C.

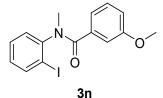
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.2, 146.5, 140.3, 137.4, 133.8, 130.1, 130.0, 129.6, 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 126.3, 99.0, 37.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}CIINO (M + H)]^+$ : 371.9652, found: 371.9651.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3m** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[20]</sup>.

#### *N*-(2-iodophenyl)-3-methoxy-*N*-methylbenzamide (3n):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 3 h, obtained as a white solid, 214 mg, yield 97%. Melting Point: 105-106 °C.

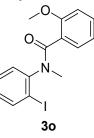
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.80 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.83 (m, 3H), 6.74 (m, 1H), 3.65 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 3H), 3.36 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.6, 158.8, 147.0, 140.1, 136.8, 130.1, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 120.8, 116.5, 113.0, 99.0, 55.3, 37.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{15}INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 368.0147, found: 368.0141.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **3n** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[21]</sup>.

#### *N*-(2-iodophenyl)-2-methoxy-*N*-methylbenzamide (30):

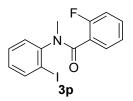


The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 10 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 207 mg, yield 94% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 77-78 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): major isomer:  $\delta$  7.72 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.38 (s, 3H); minor isomer:  $\delta$  7.94 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.40 (m, 5H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.11 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.1, 169.0 (minor), 155.6 (minor), 155.1, 145.9, 145.8 (minor), 139.9 (minor), 139.6, 130.7 (minor), 130.3, 129.8 (minor), 129.3, 129.2, 129.0 (minor), 128.6, 128.1 (minor), 127.5 126.4 126.1 (minor), 121.0 (minor), 120.0, 111.1 (minor), 110.4, 99.1, 55.7 (minor), 55.2, 38.9 (minor), 36.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{15}INO_2 (M + H)]$  +: 368.0147, found: 368.0144.

2-Fluoro-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (3p):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 10 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 187 mg, yield 88% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 129-130 °C.

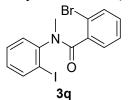
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** major isomer:  $\delta$  7.73 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 6.95 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H); minor isomer:  $\delta$  7.95 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 – 6.80 (m, 3H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 166.6, 166.4 (minor), 159.3, 157.2 (minor), 156.9, 145.4, 145.3 (minor), 140.1 (minor), 139.8, 131.6 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 131.6, 131.6) (minor), 131.1 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 131.2, 131.1), 129.9 (minor), 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 128.8 (minor), 128.6 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 128.6, 128.5), 125.0 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 125.1, 124.9) (minor), 124.7 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 124.8, 124.7) (minor), 123.6 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 123.7, 123.6), 115.9 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 116.0, 115.8) (minor), 115.5 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 115.5, 115.3), 99.1, 97.9 (minor), 39.2 (minor), 36.7.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -112.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}FINO (M + H)]$  +: 355.9948, found: 355.9947.

## 2-Bromo-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (3q):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 2 h, obtained as a white solid, 241 mg, yield 97% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 105-106 °C.

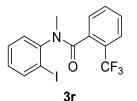
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** major isomer:  $\delta$  7.76 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.16 (ddd, J = 7.8, 2.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.86 (ddd, J = 7.8, 2.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 3H); minor isomer:  $\delta$  7.93 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.11 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 3.11 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 168.6, 145.6, 145.0 (minor), 140.0, 139.9 (minor), 138.2 (minor), 138.1, 132.8 (minor), 132.7, 130.6 (minor), 130.2, 130.0 (minor), 129.7, 129.5, 129.2, 128.8 (minor), 128.0 (minor), 127.9 (minor), 127.2, 126.8, 120.0, 119.2 (minor), 98.8, 39.2 (minor), 36.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}BrINO (M + H)]^+$ : 415.9147, found: 415.9151.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3q** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[19]</sup>.

## *N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (3r):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 2 h, obtained as a white solid, 216 mg, yield 89% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 141-142 °C.

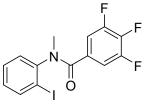
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** major isomer:  $\delta$  7.81 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.86 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (s, 3H); minor isomer:  $\delta$  7.95 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.55(m, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 168.1, 168.0 (minor), 145.7, 144.6 (minor), 140.2, 139.9 (minor), 135.0 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 135.1, 135.0) (minor), 134.5 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 134.5, 134.5), 132.3 (minor), 131.3, 130.1 (minor), 129.8, 129.5 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 129.6, 129.5), 129.4, 129.2, 128.6 (minor), 128.1 (minor), 127.8 (minor), 127.5, 127.1 (minor), 127.0, 126.7 (q, J = 4.5 Hz, 126.8, 126.7, 126.7, 126.6), 123.9 (q, J = 274.7 Hz, 128.0, 125.2, 122.5, 119.8), 99.0, 98.1 (minor), 39.6 (minor), 36.9.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -58.5, -59.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{12}F_3INO (M + H)]^+$ : 405.9916, found: 405.9915.

## 3,4,5-Trifluoro-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide (3s):



3s

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 3 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 171 mg, yield 73%. Melting Point: 57-58 °C.

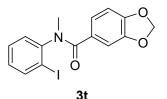
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 – 6.95 (m, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 167.2, 150.4 (ddd, J = 251.2, 10.0, 3.2 Hz, 151.7, 151.7, 151.6, 151.6, 149.2, 149.2, 149.1, 149.1), 146.1, 140.7 (dt, J = 30.1, 15.3 Hz, 142.2, 142.0, 141.9, 139.6, 139.5, 139.3), 140.6, 131.5 (dd, J = 11.9, 6.8 Hz, 131.6, 131.5, 131.5, 131.4), 129.9 (d, J = 208.7 Hz, 131.0, 128.9), 129.9, 129.7, 113.3 (dd, J = 16.6, 6.4 Hz, 113.4, 113.3, 113.2, 113.2), 98.8, 37.8.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (**377** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -133.5, -157.0.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{10}F_3INO (M + H)]^+$ : 391.9759, found: 391.9764.

*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methylbenzo[d][1,3]dioxole-5-carboxamide (3t):



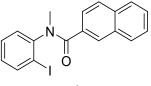
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 3 h, obtained as a white solid, 199 mg, yield 87%. Melting Point: 99-100 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.82 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (s, 2H), 3.34 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.0, 148.9, 147.2, 146.9, 140.2, 129.9, 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 123.5, 109.2, 107.4, 101.3, 98.9, 37.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{13}INO_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 381.9940, found: 381.9937.

*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-naphthamide (3u):



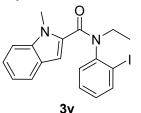
3u

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 3 h, obtained as colorless crystals, 211 mg, yield 91%. Melting Point: 118-120 °C.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.90 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.14 (s, 2H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 3.42 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  170.8, 147.0, 140.2, 133.7, 133.0, 132.2, 130.1, 129.4, 129.1, 128.9, 128.7, 127.6, 127.3, 127.1, 126.3, 125.3, 99.1, 37.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{15}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 388.0198, found: 388.0199. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3u** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[18, 19]</sup>.

## *N*-ethyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-1-methyl-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide (3v):



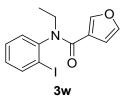
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 12 h, obtained as a brown solid, 225 mg, yield 93%. Melting Point: 135-137 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.77 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 5.93 (s, 1H), 4.18 (m, 1H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 3.70 (m, 1H), 1.29 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 163.0, 145.4, 140.3, 138.0, 132.0, 130.2, 129.3, 129.3, 126.1, 123.6, 121.9, 119.9, 109.9, 107.2, 100.7, 44.8, 32.0, 12.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{18}IN_2O (M + H)]^+$ : 405.0464, found: 405.0469.

*N*-ethyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)furan-3-carboxamide (3w):



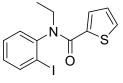
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 4 h, obtained as a brown solid, 115 mg, yield 56%. Melting Point: 63-65 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.96 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.21 (s, 1H), 4.32 (m, 1H), 3.35 (m, 1H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 162.6, 145.2, 144.5, 142.2, 140.5, 131.1, 130.2, 129.5, 122.2, 111.1, 101.1, 44.4, 12.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{13}INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 341.9991, found: 341.9985.

## *N*-ethyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)thiophene-2-carboxamide (3x):



3x

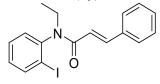
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 4 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 201 mg, yield 94%. Melting Point: 70-72 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (s, 2H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (m, 2H), 4.35 (m, 1H), 3.37 (m, 1H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 161.8, 144.4, 140.5, 138.1, 132.1, 131.4, 130.9, 130.2, 129.6, 126.8, 101.4, 45.1, 12.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{13}INOS (M + H)]^+$ : 357.9763, found: 357.9773.

## *N*-ethyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)cinnamamide (3y):





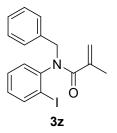
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 10 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 161 mg, yield 71%.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.00 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (m, 6H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.05 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (m, 1H), 3.36 (m, 1H), 1.21 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 165.4, 144.0, 142.4, 140.4, 135.2, 130.9, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.7, 127.9, 118.6, 101.0, 43.6, 13.0.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 378.0355, found: 378.0349.

*N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)methacrylamide (3z):



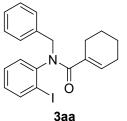
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 4 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 176 mg, yield 78%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.88 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (m, 5H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 27.0 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 1.85 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.4, 144.5, 140.2, 140.2, 136.8, 131.3, 129.4, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 127.6, 118.8, 100.0, 51.8, 20.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 378.0355, found: 378.0350. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3z** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[22]</sup>.

*N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)cyclohex-1-ene-1-carboxamide (3aa):



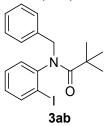
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 1 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 200 mg, yield 80%. Melting Point: 120-123 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.86 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 7.13 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (m, 1H), 5.64 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (t, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (m, 2H), 1.41 (m, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 172.0, 144.9, 140.0, 137.1, 134.2, 132.0, 131.3, 129.3, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 127.4, 100.1, 51.9, 26.2, 24.9, 22.1, 21.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{21}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 418.0668, found: 418.0678.

*N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)pivalamide (3ab):



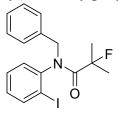
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 1 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 116 mg, yield 49%. Melting Point: 80-82 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.92 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 1.06 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 177.3, 145.0, 140.2, 137.4, 131.9, 129.6, 129.3, 128.3, 128.3, 127.4, 102.1, 54.4, 41.2, 29.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{21}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 394.0668, found: 394.0662. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3ab** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[23]</sup>.

*N*-benzyl-2-fluoro-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-2-methylpropanamide (3ac):



3ac

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 6 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 148 mg, yield 62%. Melting Point: 79-81 °C.

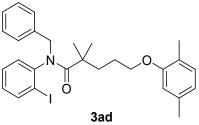
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.89 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.03 (m, 6H), 6.96 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (d, J = 21.4 Hz, 3H), 1.55 (d, J = 21.0 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  172.1 (d, J = 20.2 Hz, 172.2, 172.0), 144.6, 144.6, 139.6, 136.7, 130.0 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 130.0, 129.9), 129.5, 129.1, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 99.8 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 99.8, 99.7), 96.7 (d, J = 188.7 Hz, 97.7, 95.8), 54.0, 26.7 (dd, J = 127.5, 24.2 Hz, 27.5, 27.3, 26.2, 26.0).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -141.5.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{18}FINO (M + H)]^+$ : 398.0417, found: 398.0415.

*N*-benzyl-5-(2,5-dimethylphenoxy)-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-2,2-dimethylpentanamide (3ad):

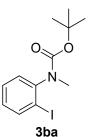


The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 6 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 214 mg, yield 66%. Melting Point: 84-86 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.92 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.10 (m, 6H), 6.99 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 5.85 (d, J = 14.1 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (d, J = 14.1 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.94 – 1.71 (m, 3H), 1.47 (t, J = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 1.02 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  176.1, 157.1, 144.9, 140.2, 137.4, 136.5, 131.9, 130.3, 129.6, 128.3, 128.3, 127.5, 123.6, 120.7, 112.2, 102.2, 68.3, 54.5, 44.5, 40.1, 27.4, 26.5, 25.4, 21.5, 15.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{28}H_{33}INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 542.1556, found: 542.1553.

Tert-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(methyl)carbamate (3ba):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 12 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 140 mg, yield 70% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 55-56 °C. Melting Point: 51-52 °C.

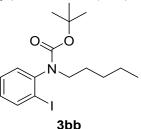
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.85 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 1.54 (minor)/1.36 (major) (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.4 (minor), 154.2, 146.1 (minor), 145.9, 139.7 (minor), 139.3, 129.5 (minor), 129.2, 129.1 (minor), 128.9 (minor), 128.6, 128.5, 99.5, 80.5 (minor), 80.1, 37.4 (minor), 36.4, 28.5 (minor), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{12}H_{16}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 356.0123, found: 356.0127.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3ba** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[24]</sup>.

## Tert-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(pentyl)carbamate (3bb):



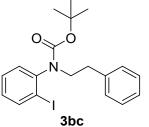
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 15 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 142 mg, yield 61% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.86 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.83 – 3.69 (m, 1H), 3.29 – 3.07 (m, 1H), 1.60 – 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.54 (minor)/1.34 (major) (br s, 9H),1.32 – 1.20 (m, 4H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.4 (minor), 154.1, 145.0 (minor), 144.8, 139.8 (minor), 139.5, 130.3 (minor), 129.8, 129.1 (minor), 128.8, 128.7 (minor), 128.5, 100.6, 80.5 (minor), 80.0, 50.3 (minor), 49.4, 29.2, 28.6, 28.4 (minor), 28.3, 28.1 (minor), 22.5, 22.4 (minor), 14.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{16}H_{24}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 412.0749, found: 412.0755.

## *Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(phenethyl)carbamate (3bc):



500

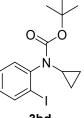
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 15 h, obtained as a yellowish oil, 170 mg, yield 67% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.88 (minor)/ 7.86 (major) (br d, J = 8.0 Hz 1H), 7.36 – 7.23 (br m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.14 (br m, 3H), 7.12 – 6.93 (br m, 2H), 4.13 – 3.94 (br m, 1H), 3.49 – 3.28 (br m, 1H), 2.94 (br t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.55 (minor)/1.36 (major) (br s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.2 (minor), 153.9, 145.0 (minor), 144.9, 139.8 (minor), 139.5, 139.0, 130.3 (minor), 129.8, 129.2 (minor), 128.9, 128.9 (minor), 128.8 (minor), 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3 (minor), 126.4 (minor), 126.3, 100.5, 80.8 (minor), 80.2, 52.3 (minor), 51.2, 35.5 (minor), 34.8, 28.5 (minor), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{22}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 446.0593, found: 446.0589.

## *Tert*-butyl cyclopropyl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bd):



3bd

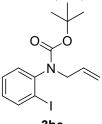
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 185 mg, yield 86% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 88-90 °C.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.84 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (br s, 1H), 1.53 (minor)/1.36 (major) (br s, 9H), 0.81 - 0.61 (br m, 3H), 0.58 - 0.44 (br m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.9, 144.9, 139.2, 129.2, 128.9, 128.4, 100.8, 80.5, 30.7, 28.3, 8.0, 6.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{19}INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 360.0460, found: 360.0459.

#### Tert-butyl allyl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3be):



3be

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 8 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 142 mg, yield 66% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 70-72 °C.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.85 (br d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.08 (br m, 1H), 6.98 (br t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (td, J = 16.0, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.18 – 4.96 (br m, 2H), 4.57 – 4.34 (br m, 1H), 3.83 – 3.61 (br m, 1H), 1.53 (minor)/1.35 (major) (br s, 9H).

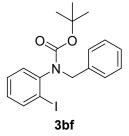
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.0 (minor), 153.9, 144.8 (minor), 144.3, 139.7 (minor), 139.4, 133.9 (minor), 133.7, 130.3 (minor), 130.0, 129.1 (minor),

129.0 (minor), 128.7, 128.7, 117.9, 117.3 (minor), 100.6, 80.8 (minor), 80.3, 53.3 (minor), 52.0, 28.5 (minor), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{19}INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 360.0460, found: 360.0459.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3be** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[25]</sup>.

## Tert-butyl benzyl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bf):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 15 h, obtained as a yellowish oil, 216 mg, yield 88% (a mixture of rotamers).

Scale-up: when 1bf (1.0 g, 4.83 mmol) was employed in this reaction (40 °C for 6 h), 1.76 g of 3bf was obtained, 89% yield.

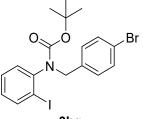
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.87 (minor)/ 7.84 (major) (br d, *J* = 7.6 Hz 1H), 7.34– 7.12 (br m, 6 H), 6.99–6.71 (br m, 2 H), 5.27 (major)/5.16 (minor) (br d, J = 14.8 Hz), 4.14 (minor)/4.10 (major) (br d, J = 14.8 Hz), 1.55 (minor)/1.37 (major) (br s, 9 H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.4, 154.2 (minor), 144.3 (minor), 144.2, 139.8 (minor), 139.4, 138.1 (minor), 137.8, 130.7 (minor), 130.3, 129.1, 129.1 (minor), 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.5, 100.3, 81.2 (minor), 80.4, 54.1 (minor), 52.7, 28.6 (minor), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{20}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 432.0436, found: 432.0436.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3bf** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[26]</sup>.

#### *Tert*-butyl (4-bromobenzyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bg):



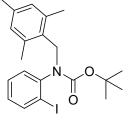
3bg

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 261 mg, yield 89% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.88 (minor)/ 7.84 (major) (br d, *J* = 7.6 Hz 1H), 7.46 – 7.30 (br m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.07 (br m, 3H), 6.94 (br t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (br d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (major)/ 5.08 (minor) (br d, *J* = 14.8 Hz 1H), 4.08 (br d, *J* = 14.8 Hz 1H), 1.54 (minor)/1.36 (major) (br s, 9 H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.2, 153.9 (minor), 144.1 (minor), 144.0, 139.9 (minor), 139.5, 137.0 (minor), 136.8, 131.5, 130.8, 130.5 (minor), 130.1, 129.1 (minor), 128.8, 128.7, 121.5, 100.2, 81.3 (minor), 80.6, 53.4 (minor), 52.1, 28.5 (minor), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{19}BrINNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 509.9542, found: 509.9539.



3bh

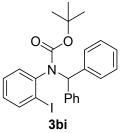
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 225 mg, yield 83% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 134-136 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.82 (minor)/ 7.79 (major) (br d, J = 7.6 Hz 1H), 6.99 (br t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (br t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (br s, 2H), 6.29 (br d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (major)/ 5.12 (minor) (br d, J = 14.4 Hz 1H), 4.47 (minor)/4.42 (major) (br d, J = 14.4 Hz 1H), 2.21 (minor)/2.02 (major) (br s, 9H), 1.60 (minor)/1.36 (major) (br s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.0 (minor), 153.9, 142.6, 139.3 (minor), 138.9, 138.4, 138.2 (minor), 137.1, 131.0, 130.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 100.7, 80.9 (minor), 80.1, 45.9 (minor), 44.4, 28.6 (minor), 28.3, 21.0, 19.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{26}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 474.0906, found: 474.0910.

## Tert-butyl benzhydryl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bi):



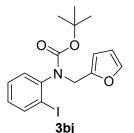
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 10 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 175 mg, yield 60% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 93-95 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.62 (dd, J = 7.9, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 7.19 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.15 – 7.03 (m, 6H), 6.77 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 1.38 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.0, 143.0, 142.1 (minor), 141.8, 139.4, 137.7, 131.3, 130.4 (minor), 128.6 (minor), 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.4 (minor), 127.3 (minor), 126.8, 103.9, 80.9, 66.5, 28.4 (minor), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{24}H_{24}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 508.0749, found: 508.0754.

*Tert*-butyl (furan-2-ylmethyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bj):



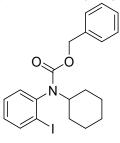
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 50 °C for 10 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 74 mg, yield 31% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.87 (minor)/ 7.84 (major) (br d, J = 7.6 Hz 1H), 7.35 (br s, 1H), 7.31–7.19 (br m, 1H), 7.11–6.85 (br m, 2H), 6.30 (minor)/ 6.26 (major) (br s, 1H), 6.13 (br s, 1H),5.12 (major)/5.02 (minor) (br d, J = 15.6 Hz), 4.26 (major)/4.22 (minor) (br d, J = 16.0 Hz), 1.55 (minor)/1.36 (major) (br s, 9 H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.9, 151.4 (major), 151.0, 144.4 (major), 143.9, 142.2, 142.1 (major), 139.6 (major), 139.3, 130.5 (major), 130.0, 129.2 (major), 128.8, 128.8, 110.4, 109.1, 108.5 (major), 100.3, 81.2 (major), 80.6, 46.7 (major), 45.1, 28.5 (major), 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{16}H_{18}INNaO_3 (M + Na)]^+$ : 422.0229, found: 422.0226.

## Benzyl cyclohexyl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bk):



3bk

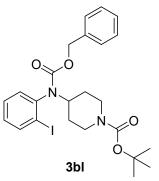
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40  $^{\circ}$ C for 10 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 170 mg, yield 65% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 115-118  $^{\circ}$ C.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3):  $\delta$  7.88 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (td, J = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.08 (m, 5H), 7.00 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (s, 2H), 4.13 (s, 1H), 2.20 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 1.82 – 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.73 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.60 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 1.49 – 1.29 (m, 3H), 1.06 – 0.82 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.4, 142.2, 139.7, 136.7, 130.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 103.5, 67.2, 58.5, 32.9 (isomer) / 30.5, 26.0 / 25.9 (isomer), 25.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{23}INO_2 (M + H)]$  +: 436.0773, found: 436.0767.

*Tert*-butyl 4-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl) (2-iodophenyl)amino)piperidine-1carboxylate (3bl):



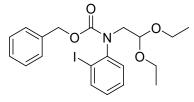
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 145 mg, yield 45% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 105-107 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.09 (m, 5H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (s, 2H), 4.30 (m, 1H), 4.13 (m, 2H), 2.76 (m, 2H), 2.14 (m, 1H), 1.93 (m, 1H), 1.58 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.27 (m, 1H), 1.10 (m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.5, 154.4, 141.5, 139.8, 136.4, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.2, 127.7, 127.6, 103.3, 79.6, 67.3, 56.5, 43.2, 31.6 / 29.6 (isomer), 28.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{24}H_{29}IN_2NaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 559.1070, found: 559.1066.

## Benzyl (2,2-diethoxyethyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bm):



3bm

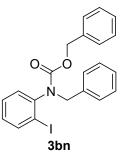
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 10 h, obtained as a yellowish oil, 155 mg, yield 55% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.91 – 7.82 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.14 (m, 7H), 6.99 (ddd, *J* = 8.9, 6.5, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 5.32 – 5.03 (m, 2H), 4.87 – 4.65 (m, 1H), 4.16 – 4.00 (m, 1H), 3.73 – 3.38 (m, 4H), 3.33 – 3.16 (m, 1H), 1.21 – 1.09 (m, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.1, 154.9 (minor), 144.6 (minor), 144.3, 139.6 (minor), 139.3, 136.4, 136.4 (minor), 130.9 (minor), 130.6, 129.2 (minor), 129.1, 129.0 (minor), 128.8, 128.5 (minor), 128.4 (minor), 128.2, 128.2 (minor), 127.7, 127.4 (minor), 127.4, 126.6 (minor), 100.8 – 99.3 (m, 100.6, 100.1, 99.8, 99.5), 67.8 (minor), 67.4, 62.3, 61.8, 52.1 (minor), 52.0, 15.3 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 15.3, 15.2), 15.2 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 15.3, 15.2) (minor).

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{24}INNaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 492.0648, found: 492.0648.

Benzyl benzyl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bn):



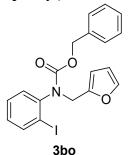
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 207 mg, yield 78% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.88 (minor)/ 7.86 (major) (br d, J = 8.0 Hz 1H), 7.42– 7.12 (br m, 11 H), 6.99–6.85 (br m, 1 H), 6.76 (br d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (br d, J =14.7 Hz, 1H), 5.28 – 5.07 (br m, 2H), 4.25–4.10 (br m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.3, 143.3, 139.9 (minor), 139.6, 137.2 (minor), 137.1, 136.5, 136.4 (minor), 130.6 (minor), 130.3, 129.3 (minor), 129.2, 129.0 (minor), 128.9 (minor), 128.8, 128.6 (minor), 128.5 (minor), 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6 (minor), 127.5, 100.1, 99.8 (minor), 67.8 (minor), 67.5, 53.8 (minor), 53.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF): calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{19}INO_2 (M + H)]$  +: 444.0460, found:

## Benzyl (furan-2-ylmethyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3bo):

444.0459.



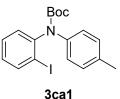
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as reddish-brown oil, 120 mg, yield 46% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.88 (minor)/ 7.85 (major) (br d, J = 8.0 Hz 1H), 7.48 – 7.32 (br m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.14 (br m, 5H), 7.06 – 6.89 (br m, 2H), 6.28 – 6.24 (br m, 1H), 6.15 (major)/ 6.05 (minor) (br d, J = 2.8 Hz 1H), 5.34 – 5.07 (br m, 3H), 4.34 – 4.25 (br m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.9, 154.7 (minor), 150.6 (minor), 150.4, 143.8 (minor), 143.1, 142.4, 142.3 (minor), 139.7 (minor), 139.5, 136.5, 130.4 (minor), 130.1, 129.5 (minor), 129.4, 129.3 (minor), 129.0, 128.5 (minor), 128.3, 128.2 (minor), 127.8, 127.5, 110.4, 109.5, 109.0 (minor), 100.2, 99.9 (minor), 67.9 (minor), 67.6, 46.4 (minor), 46.0.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{17}INO_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 434.0253, found: 434.0251.

*Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(p-tolyl)carbamate (3ca1):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 4 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 223 mg, yield 91%.

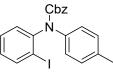
Scale-up: when 1ca1 (5.0 g, 24.2 mmol) was employed in this reaction (40 °C for 4 h), 9.21 g of 3ca1 was obtained, 93% yield.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.89 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.8, 145.2, 139.8, 139.3, 134.7, 130.1, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 125.0, 100.7, 81.3, 28.3, 20.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{20}INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 432.0436, found: 432.0436.

## Benzyl (2-iodophenyl)(p-tolyl)carbamate (3ca2):



3ca2

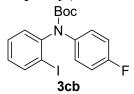
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 2 h, obtained as a white solid, 260 mg, yield 98%. Melting Point: 102-104 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.90 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.20 (m, 9H), 7.12 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 7.00 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.9, 144.5, 140.0, 138.9, 136.2, 135.3, 130.0, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 125.0, 100.3, 67.7, 20.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{19}INO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 444.0460, found: 444.0462.

## *Tert*-butyl (4-fluorophenyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3cb):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 3 h, obtained as a brown solid, 245 mg, yield 99%. Melting Point: 83-85 °C.

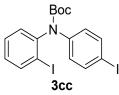
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.90 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (td, J = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.93 (m, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  160.0 (d, J = 244.9 Hz, 161.2, 158.8), 152.8, 144.9, 140.0, 137.8, 130.1, 129.4, 128.9, 126.9, 115.3 (d, J = 22.5 Hz, 115.4, 115.2), 100.5,

81.7, 28.3.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (**377** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -117.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}FINNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 436.0186, found: 436.0183.

## *Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(4-iodophenyl)carbamate (3cc):



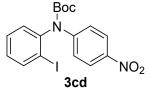
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 3 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 294 mg, yield 94%. Melting Point: 92-94 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.12 – 6.95 (m, 3H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.4, 144.4, 141.5, 140.0, 137.5, 130.2, 129.5, 129.1, 126.4, 100.6, 88.9, 81.9, 28.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}I_2NNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 543.9246, found: 543.9247.

## *Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(4-nitrophenyl)carbamate (3cd):



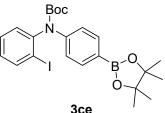
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 187 mg, yield 71%. Melting Point: 80-85 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.12 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.27 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.0, 147.3, 143.5, 143.4, 140.3, 130.2, 129.8, 129.8, 124.3, 122.8, 100.4, 82.9, 28.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}IN_2NaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 463.0131, found: 463.0131.

*Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl) (4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl) phenyl) carbamate (3ce):



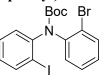
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 4 h, obtained as gray solid, 216 mg, yield 69%. Melting Point: 140-142 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.90 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.01 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.5, 144.8, 144.4, 139.9, 135.2, 130.3, 129.4, 128.9, 123.5, 100.8, 83.8, 81.7, 28.3, 24.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{23}H_{29}BINNaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 544.1132, found: 544.1133.

Tert-butyl (2-bromophenyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3cf):



3cf

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40  $^{\circ}$ C for 5 h, obtained as a white solid, 278 mg, yield 98% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 140-141  $^{\circ}$ C.

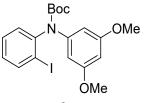
Scale-up: when 1cf (1.0 g, 3.69 mmol) was employed in this reaction (40 °C for 3 h), 1.71 g of 3cf was obtained, 98% yield.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.90 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 151.8 / 151.8, 145.6 / 145.4, 142.2 / 142.0, 140.1 / 139.8, 133.7 / 133.4, 129.8, 129.5 / 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6 / 128.5, 128.5 / 128.4, 123.4 / 123.2, 100.0 / 99.8, 81.7 / 81.7, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}BrINNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 495.9385, found: 495.9379.

#### *Tert*-butyl (3,5-dimethoxyphenyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3cg):



3cg

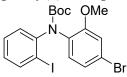
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 9 h, obtained as a white solid, 262 mg, yield 96%. Melting Point: 102-105 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.89 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (td, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 6.99 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 6.24 (t, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 6H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 160.5, 152.5, 144.9, 143.5, 139.8, 130.0, 129.4, 128.9, 103.5, 100.6, 96.9, 81.5, 55.4, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{22}INNaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 478.0491, found: 478.0492.

*Tert*-butyl (4-bromo-2-methoxyphenyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3ch):

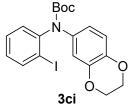


3ch

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 4 h, obtained as a white solid, 278 mg, yield 92%. Melting Point: 147-152 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.86 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 7.00 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.94 – 6.88 (m, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.6, 152.8, 145.6, 139.6, 131.4, 129.3, 128.9, 128.4, 123.9, 121.2, 116.0, 115.2, 100.2, 81.0, 55.9, 28.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{19}BrINNaO_3 (M + Na)]^+$ : 525.9491, found: 525.9490.

## *Tert*-butyl (2,3-dihydrobenzo[b][1,4]dioxin-6-yl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3ci):



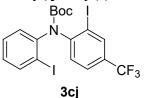
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 5 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 245 mg, yield 90%. Melting Point: 90-93 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.88 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (s, 4H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.9, 145.2, 143.1, 141.3, 139.8, 135.4, 130.0, 129.3, 128.7, 119.0, 116.8, 114.8, 100.5, 81.4, 64.4, 64.3, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{20}INNaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 476.0335, found: 476.0337.

#### *Tert*-butyl (2-iodo-4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3cj):



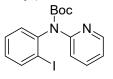
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 10 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 269 mg, yield 76% (a mixture of rotamers).

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.15 (s, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.43 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (td, J = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.51 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 151.0, 148.7, 145.0, 140.3 (d, J = 31.1 Hz, 140.4, 140.1), 137.1 (d, J = 36.2 Hz, 137.2, 136.9), 130.6, 130.3, 129.6 (minor), 129.5, 129.4 (minor), 129.2, 128.7, 126.5 (q, J = 3.5 Hz, 126.5, 126.5, 126.4), 125.7 (q, J = 3.5 Hz, 125.7, 125.7, 125.7, 125.6) (minor), 123.8, 122.8(q, J = 273.7 Hz, 126.8, 124.1, 121.4, 118.7), 100.7 / 99.8 / 99.6 / 99.5, 82.5, 82.3 (minor), 28.4, 28.2 (minor). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -62.6, -62.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{16}F_3I_2NNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 611.9120, found: 611.9127.

*Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(pyridin-2-yl)carbamate (3ck):



3ck

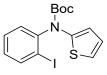
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 109 mg, yield 46%. Melting Point: 80-83 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.27 – 8.23 (m, 1H), 7.92 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.68 (ddd, J = 8.4, 7.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.05 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.0, 152.7, 147.9, 143.8, 139.4, 137.2, 130.9, 128.9, 128.9, 119.6, 118.9, 100.7, 81.9, 28.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{16}H_{18}IN_2O_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 397.0413, found: 397.0406.

## *Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(thiophen-2-yl)carbamate (3cl):



3cl

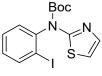
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as black solid, 192 mg, yield 80%. Melting Point: 111-115 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.93 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (m, 1H), 5.99 (m, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 151.6, 144.2, 143.6, 140.1, 129.7, 129.6, 124.2, 118.5, 113.7, 99.6, 82.4, 28.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{17}INO_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 402.0025, found: 402.0022.

#### *Tert*-butyl (2-iodophenyl)(thiazol-2-yl)carbamate (3cm):



3cm

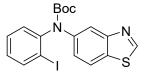
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 50 °C for 10 h, obtained as orange solid, 111 mg, yield 46%. Melting Point: 137-139 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 161.2, 151.7, 142.1, 141.3, 139.7, 138.2, 129.9, 129.4, 113.9, 99.4, 83.7, 28.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{16}IN_2O_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 402.9977, found: 402.9974.

#### *Tert*-butyl benzo[d]thiazol-5-yl(2-iodophenyl)carbamate (3cn):



3cn

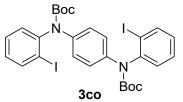
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40  $^{\circ}$ C for 10 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 176 mg, yield 65%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.95 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dtd, J = 9.7, 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (td, J = 7.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.9, 153.7, 152.8, 144.9, 140.6, 140.0, 130.3, 130.2, 129.5, 129.0, 123.8, 121.3, 119.6, 100.6, 81.9, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{18}IN_2O_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 453.0134, found: 453.0131.

Di-tert-butyl 1,4-phenylenebis((2-iodophenyl)carbamate) (3co):



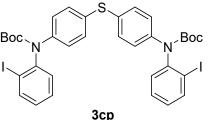
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (5.0 equiv of NaH and 5.0 equiv of **2a** were used) at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 158 mg, yield 37%. Melting Point: 195-200 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.88 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 6H), 6.98 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.8, 144.9, 139.8, 138.5, 130.2, 129.3, 128.8, 125.0, 100.7, 81.6, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{28}H_{30}I_2N_2NaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 735.0193, found: 735.0189.

*Tert*-butyl (4-((4-((tert-butoxycarbonyl) (2-iodophenyl)amino)phenyl)thio)phenyl) (phenyl)carbamate (3cp):



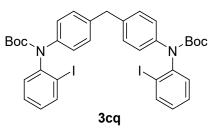
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (5.0 equiv of NaH and 5.0 equiv of **2a** were used) at 40 °C for 6 h, obtained as a white solid, 438 mg, yield 89%. Melting Point: 184-187 °C.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.90 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (td, J = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (m, 8H), 7.01 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.6, 144.6, 140.8, 139.9, 131.2, 130.2, 129.4, 129.0, 125.3, 100.7, 81.8, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{34}H_{34}I_2N_2NaO_4S (M + Na)]^+$ : 843.0226, found: 843.0226.

Di-tert-butyl (methylenebis(4,1-phenylene))bis((2-iodophenyl)carbamate) (3cq):



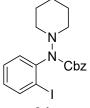
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (5.0 equiv of NaH and 5.0 equiv of 2a were used) at 40 °C for 6 h, obtained as a yellowish oil, 452 mg, yield 94%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.88 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (td, J = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.17 (m, 6H), 7.05 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.8, 145.1, 139.9, 139.8, 137.7, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 125.0, 100.7, 81.5, 40.8, 28.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{35}H_{36}I_2N_2NaO_4 (M + Na)]^+$ : 825.0662, found: 825.0651.

## Benzyl (2-iodophenyl)(piperidin-1-yl)carbamate (3da):



3da

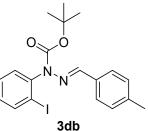
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 12 h, obtained as a white solid, 204 mg, yield 78%. Melting Point: 98-100 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.87 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.10 (m, 7H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H), 3.30 (m, 4H), 1.61 (m, 4H), 1.37 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.6, 144.3, 139.8, 136.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 99.8, 67.3, 53.4, 26.6, 23.5.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{22}IN_2O_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 437.0726, found: 437.0724.

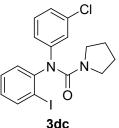
*Tert*-butyl (*E*)-1-(2-iodophenyl)-2-(4-methylbenzylidene)hydrazine-1-carboxylate (3db):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 2 h, obtained as a reddish brown solid, 84 mg, yield 32%. Melting Point: 150-153 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.49 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  142.1, 140.3, 140.1, 139.9, 131.7, 130.6, 130.5, 129.9, 129.8, 129.2, 127.4, 100.4, 82.1, 28.2, 21.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF): calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{22}IN_2O_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 437.0726, found: 437.0720.

*N*-(3-chlorophenyl)-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)pyrrolidine-1-carboxamide (3dc):

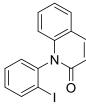


The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 6 h, obtained as orange solid, 115 mg, yield 45% (a mixture of rotamers). Melting Point: 112-115 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.85 (m, 3H), 3.28 (m, 4H), 1.85 – 1.73 (m, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 156.9, 152.4 (minor), 146.2, 145.3, 140.5 (minor), 140.1, 134.7, 134.2 (minor), 130.0, 129.7, 129.7, 128.2, 124.6, 124.5, 122.7, 122.2 (minor), 118.9 (minor), 116.9 (minor), 99.6, 47.9, 25.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{17}CIIN_2O (M + H)]^+$ : 427.0074, found: 427.0075.

#### 1-(2-Iodophenyl)quinolin-2(1*H*)-one (3dd):



3dd

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 6 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 62 mg, yield 30%. Melting Point: 195-200 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.06 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 6.79 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 161.4, 140.6, 140.6, 140.3, 140.0, 130.6, 130.5, 130.2, 130.0, 128.6, 122.7, 122.3, 120.4, 115.4, 99.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{11}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 347.9885, found: 347.9880.

#### 1-(2-Iodophenyl)pyridin-2(1*H*)-one (3de):



3de

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 15 h, obtained as a brown solid, 73 mg, yield 41%. Melting Point: 78-80 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.17 (ddd, J = 5.0, 1.9, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (ddd, J = 8.3, 7.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 6.94 (m, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 163.0, 154.0, 147.7, 139.8, 139.6, 129.6, 126.7, 123.0, 118.7, 111.7, 90.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{11}H_9INO (M + H)]^+$ : 297.9729, found: 297.9729.

*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (3df):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (a mixture of 6 mL of THF and 1.2 mL of DMA was use as the solvent) for 12 h, obtained as a white solid, 187 mg, yield 97%.

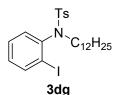
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.90 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 143.9, 140.4, 135.7, 130.0, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.3, 101.9, 38.9, 21.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{15}INO_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 387.9868, found: 387.9859.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **3df** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[27]</sup>.

*N*-dodecyl-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3dg):



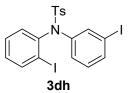
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (a mixture of 6 mL of THF and 1.2 mL of DMA was use as the solvent) for 12 h, obtained as a colorless oil, 230 mg, yield 85%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.92 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.02 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.70 – 3.54 (m, 1H), 3.42 – 3.28 (m, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.58 – 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.43 – 1.35 (m, 1H), 1.32 – 1.14 (m, 18H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 143.7, 141.9, 140.6, 136.4, 130.4, 129.9, 129.6, 128.9, 128.3, 103.5, 52.1, 32.0, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.3, 27.0, 22.8, 21.7, 14.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{25}H_{37}INO_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 542.1590, found: 542.1581.

*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-*N*-(3-iodophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3dh):



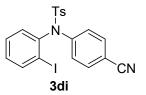
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (a mixture of 2.4 mL of THF and 2.4 mL of DMA was use as the solvent) for 12 h, obtained as white solid, 150 mg, yield 52%. Melting Point: 132 - 134 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.91 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 144.4, 142.3, 141.2, 141.1, 136.7, 136.4, 136.0, 131.0, 130.5, 130.3, 129.8, 129.2, 128.4, 127.2, 102.7, 93.7, 21.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{15}I_2NNaO_2S (M + Na)]^+$ : 597.8811, found: 597.8808.

#### *N*-(4-cyanophenyl)-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3di):



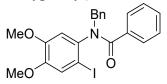
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (a mixture of 2.4 mL of THF and 2.4 mL of DMA was use as the solvent) for 12 h, obtained as a white solid, 119 mg, yield 50%. Melting Point: 133 - 135 °C

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.93 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 144.9, 144.4, 141.5, 141.3, 136.6, 133.0, 131.6, 130.9, 130.0, 129.4, 128.2, 125.5, 118.5, 109.2, 102.3, 21.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{16}IN_2O_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 474.9977, found: 474.9984.

#### *N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodo-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)benzamide (3ef):



3ef

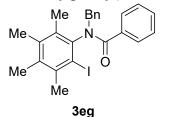
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 10 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 238 mg, yield 84%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.39 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 5H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (s, 1H), 5.98 (s, 1H), 5.86 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.37 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.6, 148.8, 148.7, 137.3, 137.1, 136.1, 129.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 120.9, 114.9, 88.2, 56.1, 55.8, 52.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{22}H_{21}INO_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 474.0566, found: 474.0563.

*N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodo-3,4,5,6-tetramethylphenyl)benzamide (3eg):



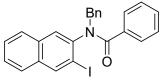
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 10 h, obtained as a yellowish solid, 211 mg, yield 75%. Melting Point: 150-152 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.15 (m, 6H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.1, 140.5, 138.8, 136.5, 136.5, 136.3, 135.4, 135.0, 130.8, 129.6, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 107.1, 53.9, 28.0, 18.5, 17.6, 16.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{24}H_{25}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 470.0981, found: 470.0988.

*N*-benzyl-*N*-(3-iodonaphthalen-2-yl)benzamide (3eh):



3eh

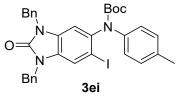
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 1.5 h, obtained as reddish-brown oil, 247 mg, yield 89%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.34 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.14 – 7.03 (m, 4H), 5.91 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.6, 140.7, 139.9, 136.9, 136.0, 133.6, 132.6, 130.6, 129.7, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.7, 127.7, 127.4, 127.1, 126.5, 97.1, 53.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{24}H_{19}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 464.0511, found: 464.0507.

*Tert*-butyl (1,3-dibenzyl-6-iodo-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-benzo[d]imidazol-5-yl)(*p*-tolyl)carbamate (3ei):



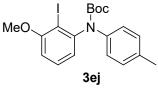
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure (1.5 equiv of 2g was used) at 45 °C for 10 h, obtained as a white solid, 271 mg, yield 70%. Melting Point: 144-146 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.38 – 7.22 (m, 11H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.13 – 4.97 (m, 4H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  154.5, 153.1, 139.1, 138.4, 135.7, 135.6, 134.6, 130.1, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.0, 127.9, 127.5, 127.5, 124.9, 118.0, 110.2, 90.4, 81.3, 45.2, 28.2, 20.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{33}H_{33}IN_3O_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 646.1567, found: 646.1559.

#### *Tert*-butyl (2-iodo-3-methoxyphenyl)(*p*-tolyl)carbamate (3ej):



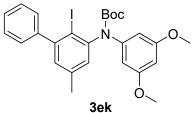
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 60 °C for 12 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 176 mg, yield 67%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.28 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 159.5, 152.9, 146.7, 139.3, 134.6, 129.7, 129.1, 124.9, 122.6, 109.4, 93.5, 81.3, 56.7, 28.3, 20.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{22}INNaO_3 (M + Na)]^+$ : 462.0542, found: 462.0543.

*Tert*-butyl(3,5-dimethoxyphenyl)(2-iodo-5-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)carbamate (3ek):



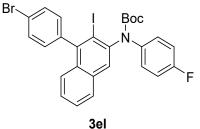
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 50 °C for 6 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 213 mg, yield 65%. Melting Point: 120-123 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.44 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 6.58 (s, 2H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 6H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.48 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 160.5, 152.7, 148.7, 145.3, 144.9, 143.7, 139.0, 129.7,

129.4, 129.2, 127.9, 127.7, 103.6, 101.8, 96.7, 81.5, 55.4, 28.4, 20.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{26}H_{29}INO_4 (M + H)]^+$ : 546.1141, found: 546.1132.

*Tert*-butyl(4-(4-bromophenyl)-3-iodonaphthalen-2-yl)(4-fluorophenyl)carbamate (3el):



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 50 °C for 4 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 329 mg, yield 89%. Melting Point: 140-145 °C.

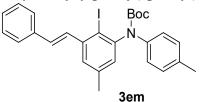
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.84 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.50 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 6.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 8 161.3, 158.8, 153.1, 146.2, 142.7, 141.6, 138.3, 133.5, 132.0, 131.8, 131.8, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 127.1, 126.9, 122.4, 115.4 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz, 115.5, 115.2), 105.6, 81.9, 28.4.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (**377** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -117.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{27}H_{23}BrFINO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 617.9941, found: 617.9933.

*Tert*-butyl (*E*)-(2-iodo-5-methyl-3-styrylphenyl)(*p*-tolyl)carbamate (3em):

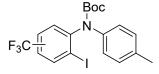


The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 50 °C for 3 h, obtained as a yellow solid, 161 mg, yield 51%. Melting Point: 133-135 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.55 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.45 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  153.0, 145.7, 142.4, 139.4, 139.1, 137.0, 134.6, 133.4, 131.8, 129.7, 129.1, 128.8, 128.1, 126.9, 125.9, 124.8, 103.6, 81.4, 28.4, 20.9, 20.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF): calculated for [C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>29</sub>INO<sub>2</sub> (M + H)] +: 526.1243, found: 526.1243.

*Tert*-butyl (2-iodo-4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)(*p*-tolyl)carbamate (3en) and *Tert*-butyl (2-iodo-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)(*p*-tolyl)carbamate (3en'):



3en and 3en', 1.5:1

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure at 40 °C for 6 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 238 mg, yield 83%.

Major isomer **3en**: <sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.14 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

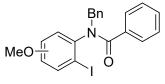
Minor isomer **3en'**: <sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**: δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

Mixture of **3en** and **3en**' <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  152.5, 152.4, 148.7, 146.1, 140.7, 138.8, 138.7, 136.9 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, 137.0, 136.9, 136.9, 136.9), 135.5, 135.5, 132.2, 131.8, 130.7, 130.3, 130.3, 129.5, 129.4, 129.4, 126.8 (q, J = 3.5 Hz, 126.8, 126.8, 126.8, 126.7), 126.4 (q, J = 3.4 Hz, 126.4, 126.4, 126.4, 126.3), 125.3, 125.2, 125.1 (q, J = 3.7 Hz, 125.2, 125.1, 125.1, 125.0), 124.8, 124.1, 122.1, 121.4, 105.3, 100.5, 82.0, 82.0, 28.3, 28.3, 21.0.

#### <sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -62.5, -62.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{19}F_3INNaO_2 (M + Na)]^+$ : 500.0310, found: 500.0320.

*N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodo-4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (3eo) and *N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-iodo-5-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (3eo'):



3eo and 3eo', 1:1

The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure for 12 h, obtained as a yellow oil, 221 mg, yield 83%.

Isomer **3eo**: <sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.38 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.25 – 7.11 (m, 4H), 6.57 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 4.22 (t, J = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H). Isomer **3eo**': <sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.59 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.25 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 5.81 (d, J = 14.1 Hz, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H).

Mixture of **3eo** and **3eo'** <sup>13</sup>C **NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 170.7, 170.3, 159.9, 158.7, 145.3, 140.1, 137.4, 137.0, 137.0, 136.2, 136.0, 132.1, 129.8, 129.6, 129.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.7, 127.6, 124.6, 117.8, 115.9, 114.4, 100.3, 88.3, 55.6, 55.4, 52.6, 52.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{19}INO_2 (M + H)]$  +: 444.0460, found: 444.0457.

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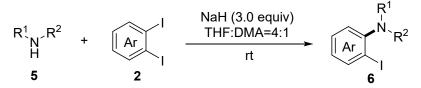
Entry	Deviation from standard conditions	Yield of 6 <b>e</b> (%) <sup>b</sup>	Yield of <b>6e'</b> (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	none	72	8
2	KH , LiH or $CaH_2$ instead of NaH	0	0
3	THF instead of THF/DMA (4:1)	54	18
4	DMF instead of THF/DMA (4:1)	trace	24
5	Toluene instead of THF/DMA (4:1)	0	0
6	CH <sub>3</sub> CN instead of THF/DMA (4:1)	0	0
7	DMA instead of THF/DMA (4:1)	43	23

## 5. Table S2. Optimization of the reaction conditions for amines<sup>a</sup>

8	2.0 equiv of NaH was used	54	trace
9	5.0 equiv of NaH was used	57	20

<sup>*a*</sup>Reaction conditions: NaH (1.8 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and **5e** (0.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF+DMA (1.0+0.5 mL) was stirred for 5 min before **2a** (1.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv, in 1.0 mL THF) was added, and the reaction was stirred at rt for 1 h. <sup>*b*</sup>Isolated yield by flash column chromatography

#### 6. The reaction of N-arylation of amines



General procedure: NaH (1.8 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was weighed in a vial at room temperature, and 1.0 mL of anhydrous THF was added. Secondary amine 5 (0.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv, dissolved in 0.5 mL DMA) was added dropwise. After stirring for 5 min, *o*-diiodoarene 2 (1.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv, dissolved in 1.0 mL THF) was added. After the reaction was completed monitored by TLC, the reaction solution was slowly added to ice water to quench the reaction, extracted with ethyl acetate for 3 times, and the combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated under vacuum. The pure product 6 was obtained by column chromatography on silica gel.

#### N, N-dibenzyl-2-iodoaniline (6a)



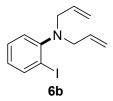
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a colorless oil, 139 mg, yield 58%.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  7.87 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (s, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 151.6, 140.2, 137.8, 129.0, 128.6, 128.3, 127.2, 125.9, 124.7, 99.9, 57.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{19}IN (M + H)]^+$ : 400.0562, found: 400.0564. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6a** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[16, 28]</sup>.

*N*, *N*-diallyl-2-iodoaniline (6b).



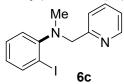
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a pale-yellow oil, 86 mg, yield 48%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.86 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.02 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (ddt, J = 16.4, 10.2, 6.2 Hz, 2H), 5.14 (m, 4H), 3.63 (dt, J = 6.2, 1.2 Hz, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.0, 140.1, 135.0, 128.6, 125.7, 124.3, 117.9, 100.5, 56.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{12}H_{15}IN (M + H)]^+$ : 300.0249, found: 300.0254. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6b** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[29, 30]</sup>.

iodo-N-methyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl) aniline (6c)



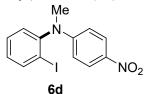
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a colorless oil, 122 mg, yield 63%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.64 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 8.54 – 8.47 (m, 1H), 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.26 (dd, J = 7.6, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.88 – 6.77 (m, 1H), 4.12 (s, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.5, 150.1, 148.7, 140.2, 136.5, 133.7, 129.2, 126.0, 123.4, 122.4, 98.8, 58.4, 41.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{14}IN_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 325.0202, found: 325.0205.

#### 2-iodo-N-methyl-N-(4-nitrophenyl) aniline (6d).



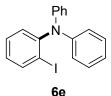
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a colorless oil, 121 mg, yield 57%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.0, 148.0, 140.8, 138.4, 130.7, 129.7, 126.0, 111.6, 99.6, 39.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{12}IN_2O_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 354.9943, found: 354.9946.

2-iodo-N, N-diphenylaniline (6e)



Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 161 mg, yield 72%. Mp.216~218°C.

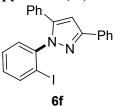
Scale-up: when 5e (10 mmol) was employed in this reaction (rt for 5 h), 2.12 g of 6e was obtained, 57% yield.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.91 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (td, *J* = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (m, 5H), 6.95 (m, 7H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 149.0, 147.0, 141.1, 131.5, 129.9, 129.2, 127.7, 122.2, 122.1, 100.3.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{15}IN (M + H)]^+$ : 372.0249, found: 372.0251. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6e** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[30]</sup>.

(2-iodophenyl)-3,5-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrazole (6f).



Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 114 mg, yield 45%. Mp.79~81°C.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.00 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.13 (ddd, J = 8.8, 6.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.2, 145.6, 143.2, 140.0, 133.1, 130.6, 130.0, 129.8, 129.1, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 126.0, 104.0, 98.0.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{16}IN_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 423.0358, found: 423.0360.

1-(2-iodophenyl) pyridin-4(1*H*)-one (6g).



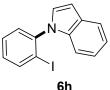
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 96 mg, yield 54%. Mp.85~88°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.37 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (td, J = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 149.7, 148.6, 140.9, 136.1, 135.3, 131.1, 129.7, 121.2, 107.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{11}H_9INO (M + H)]^+$ : 297.9729, found: 297.9729.

1-(2-iodophenyl)-1*H*-indole (6h).



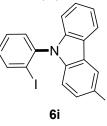
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white soild, 90 mg, yield 47%. Mp.65~68°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.04 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 4H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 142.2, 140.2, 136.8, 130.0, 129.5, 129.3, 128.7, 128.5, 122.4, 121.1, 120.4, 110.8, 103.2, 97.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{11}IN (M + H)]^+$ : 319.9936, found: 319.9939. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6h** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[31]</sup>.

3-iodo-9-(2-iodophenyl)-9*H*-carbazole (6i)



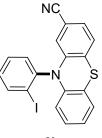
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 270 mg, yield 91%. Mp.102~104°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.47 (s, 1H), 8.16 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.65 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.82(d, J = 4 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 140.9, 140.7, 139.99, 139.96, 134.4, 130.8, 130.7, 130.0, 129.4, 126.9, 125.9, 122.1, 120.7, 120.6, 112.4, 110.4, 99.2, 82.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{12}I_2N(M + H)]^+$ : 495.9059, found: 495.9059.

#### 10-(2-iodophenyl)-10H-phenothiazine-4-carbonitrile (6j).



6j

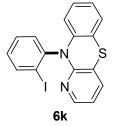
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 238 mg, yield 93%. Mp.190~193°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.15 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.96 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.87 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.08 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.99 – 5.92 (m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 142.5, 142.1, 141.4, 140.8, 132.6, 131.1, 130.8, 127.6, 126.9, 126.7, 126.1, 123.6, 118.9, 117.9, 117.2, 115.8, 110.2, 101.9.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{12}IN_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 426.9766, found: 426.9767.

#### 10-(2-iodophenyl)-10*H*-benzo[b]pyrido[2,3-e][1,4]thiazine (6k).



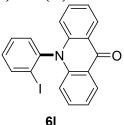
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 135 mg, yield 56%. Mp.92~94°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.06 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, J = 4.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, J = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.68 (dd, J = 7.5, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 6.04 – 5.89 (m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.7, 145.0, 142.30, 141.7, 140.7, 133.9, 133.2, 129.8, 129.7, 127.3, 126.5, 123.3, 118.7, 118.4, 116.4, 115.3, 102.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{12}IN_2S (M + H)]^+$ : 402.9766, found: 402.9773.

10-(2-iodophenyl) acridin-9(10*H*)-one (6l).



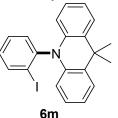
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as white solid, 159 mg, yield 67%. Mp.255~258°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.61 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.18 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, J = 12.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 178.3, 142.0, 141.6, 141.3, 133.7, 131.5, 131.3, 131.1, 127.7, 122.1, 122.0, 116.3, 100.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{13}INO (M + H)]^+$ : 398.0042, found: 398.0050.

10-(2-iodophenyl)-9,9-dimethyl-9,10-dihydroacridine (6m)



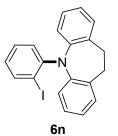
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 185 mg, yield 75%. Mp.180~183°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.20 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 – 6.95 (m, 4H), 6.23 – 6.08 (m, 2H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 1.75 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 143.4, 141.5, 139.2, 132.9, 130.9, 130.0, 129.8, 126.7, 126.0, 121.0, 113.6, 102.9, 36.0, 34.6, 31.10.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{19}IN (M + H)]^+$ : 412.0562, found: 412.0565.

5-(2-iodophenyl)-10,11-dihydro-5*H*-dibenzo [b, f] azepine (6n).



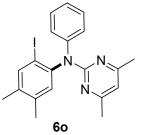
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 81 mg, yield 34%. Mp.140~142°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  8.04 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.11 (m, 3H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.26 (s, 4H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 148.4, 144.4, 141.8, 133.4, 133.0, 130.6, 129.9, 128.7, 126.3, 121.2, 120.5, 101.9, 37.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{17}IN (M + H)]^+$ : 398.0406, found: 398.0408.

*N*-(2-iodo-4,5-dimethylphenyl)-4,6-dimethyl-*N*-phenylpyrimidin-2-amine (60)



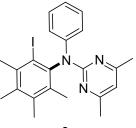
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 200 mg, yield 78%. Mp.143~147°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.36 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.12 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 2.24 (s, 6H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.4, 161.4, 145.2, 144.2, 140.5, 138.3, 136.8, 131.7, 128.4, 125.7, 124.2, 112.0, 97.2, 24.2, 19.6, 19.1.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{21}IN_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 430.0780, found: 430.0782.

#### *N*-(2-iodophenyl)-4,6-dimethyl-*N*-phenylpyrimidin-2-amine (6p)



6p

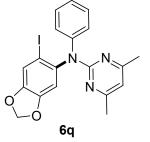
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 178 mg, yield 74%. Mp.102~104°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$ 7.31 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 6.98 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 6H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.3, 160.9, 142.9, 142.6, 138.2, 136.4, 135.0, 134.6, 128.0, 123.7, 122.9, 112.1, 108.3, 27.7, 24.2, 18.5, 17.1, 17.0.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{22}H_{25}IN_3 (M + H)]^+$ : 458.1093, found: 458.1093.

*N*-(6-iodobenzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-4,6-dimethyl-*N*-phenylpyrimidin-2-amine (6q).



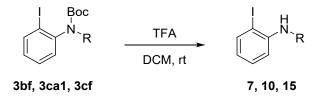
Following the general procedure, the title compound was obtained as a white solid, 155 mg, yield 58%. Mp.132~134°C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.38 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.15 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 5.99 (s, 2H), 2.29 (s, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.4, 161.4, 149.1, 146.9, 143.8, 141.3, 128.9, 128.5, 125.4, 124.3, 118.3, 112.2, 111.3, 102.2, 89.9, 24.2.

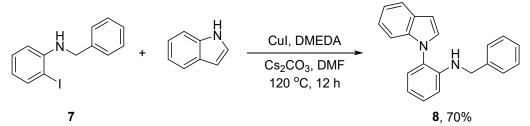
**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{17}IN_3O_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 446.0365, found: 446.0367.

#### 7. Synthetic applications



General procedure for preparation of 7, 10 and 15: To a solution of 3bf, 3ca1 or 3cf (1.0 equiv) in DCM (0.33 M) was added CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H (3.0 equiv) at room temperature. After being stirred at room temperature for 1-2 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and carefully neutralized (pH 7-8) with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. And then, the mixture was poured into water and the product was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> for three times, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the corresponding product in 89-96% yields.

N-benzyl-2-(1H-indol-1-yl)aniline (8)<sup>[32]</sup>:



To a solution of *N*-benzyl-2-iodoaniline 7 (86.5 mg, 0.28 mmol, 1.4 equiv) and DMEDA (*N*,*N'*-dimethylethylenediamine, 25 mg, 0.28 mmol, 1.4 equiv) in anhydrous DMF (0.5 mL) was added CuI (12 mg, 0.06 mmol, 30 mol%),  $Cs_2CO_3$  (130 mg, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and indole (23.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 120 °C under nitrogen for 12 hours. The reaction was cooled to rt and filtered through diatomite, and the filtrate was added water (10 mL), extracted with EtOAc for three times. The combined organic layer was washed with water for two times to remove DMF, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under

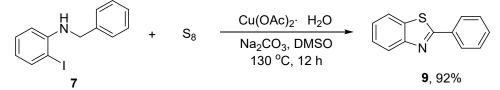
vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product  $\mathbf{8}$  as a yellow oil, 42 mg, yield 70%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.72 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.14 (m, 8H), 6.77 (ddd, J = 14.6, 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (s, 2H), 4.08 (br, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 144.5, 139.0, 136.7, 132.6, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.2, 127.0, 124.7, 122.3, 121.0, 120.3, 117.0, 111.9, 110.9, 103.5, 47.6.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{19}N_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 299.1548, found: 299.1550.

#### 2-Phenylbenzo[d]thiazole (9)<sup>[33]</sup>:



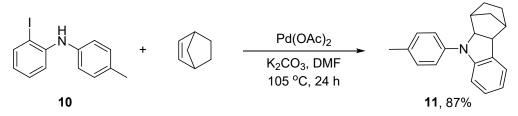
To a solution of *N*-benzyl-2-iodoaniline 7 (123.7 mg, 0.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and  $S_8$  (51.2 mg, 1.6 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in anhydrous DMSO (3.0 mL) was added Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O (16 mg, 0.08 mmol, 20 mol%) and Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (85 mg, 0.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv). Then the reaction mixture was stirred at 130 °C under nitrogen for 12 hours. The reaction was cooled to rt and filtered through diatomite, and the filtrate was added water (10 mL), extracted with EtOAc for three times. The combined organic layer was washed with water to remove DMSO, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product **9** as a yellow solid, 78 mg, yield 92%. Melting Point: 109-112 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 8.09 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 168.1, 154.2, 135.1, 133.7, 131.0, 129.1, 127.6, 126.4, 125.2, 123.3, 121.7.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{10}NS (M + H)]^+$ : 212.0534, found: 212.0536. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6a** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[33]</sup>.

#### 9-(P-tolyl)-2,3,4,4a,9,9a-hexahydro-1H-1,4-methanocarbazole (11)<sup>[34]</sup>:



To a solution of 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)aniline **10** (93 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and norbornene (28.5 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in anhydrous DMF (2.5 mL) was added  $Pd(OAc)_2$  (2.7 mg, 0.012 mmol, 4 mol%) and  $K_2CO_3$  (99.5 mg, 0.72 mmol, 2.4 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 105 °C under nitrogen for 24 hours. Then the reaction was quenched with water, extracted with EtOAc for three times. The combined organic layer was washed with water to remove DMF, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product **11** as a yellow oil, 72 mg, yield 87%.

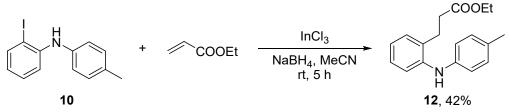
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  7.21 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.33

(m, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.58 - 1.48 (m, 3H), 1.37 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 1.28 - 1.18 (m, 1H), 1.09 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 149.4, 141.2, 133.4, 131.3, 129.8, 127.3, 124.9, 120.1, 118.0, 107.7, 71.3, 50.5, 43.5, 41.1, 32.4, 28.6, 25.3, 20.8.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{22}N (M + H)]^+$ : 276.1752, found: 276.1756.

Ethyl 3-(2-(*p*-tolylamino)phenyl)propanoate (12)<sup>[35]</sup>:



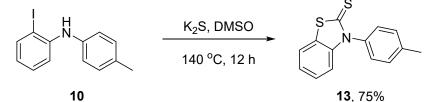
To a solution of 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)aniline **10** (93 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and ethyl acrylate (150 mg, 1.5 mmol, 5.0 equiv) in anhydrous MeCN (1.2 mL) was added InCl<sub>3</sub> (7 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (14 mg, 0.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water, extracted with EtOAc and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvents were removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product **12** as a yellow oil, 35.7 mg, yield 42%.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** 7.95 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (m, 3H), 6.49 – 6.43 (m, 2H), 4.11 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.98 – 3.88 (m, 2H), 2.74 – 2.68 (m, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 172.0, 148.6, 145.2, 140.6, 130.8, 129.9, 129.8, 128.3, 127.4, 114.0, 102.3, 60.7, 47.5, 32.8, 20.4, 14.2.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{18}H_{22}NO_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 284.1651, found: 284.1655.

3-(P-tolyl)benzo[d]thiazole-2(3H)-thione (13)<sup>[36]</sup>:



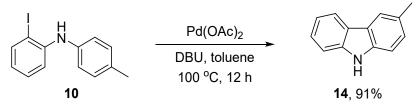
To a solution of 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)aniline **10** (93 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in DMSO (2.0 mL) was added K<sub>2</sub>S (132.3 mg, 1.2 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C under nitrogen for 12 hours. Water was added to quench the reaction, extracted with EtOAc and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvents were removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product **13** as a yellow solid, 58 mg, yield 75%. Melting Point: 102-105 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 7.46 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (pd, *J* = 7.5, 3.8 Hz, 2H), 6.82 – 6.75 (m, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 169.9, 139.5, 138.5, 132.2, 130.7, 127.7, 126.3, 123.6, 122.6, 119.2, 111.9, 21.4.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{12}NS_2 (M + H)]^+$ : 258.0411, found: 258.0413.

**3-Methyl-9***H***-carbazole (14)**<sup>[37]</sup>:



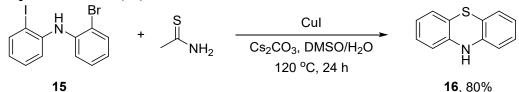
To a solution of 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl) aniline **10** (61.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in anhydrous toluene (1.0 mL) was added  $Pd(OAc)_2$  (11 mg, 0.05 mmol, 25 mol%) and DBU (182.6 mg, 1.2 mmol, 6.0 equiv). The reaction was stirred at 100 °C under nitrogen for 12 hours before water was added to quench the reaction. The mixture was extracted extracted with EtOAc for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product **14** as a white solid, 33 mg, yield 91%. Melting Point: 205-208 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.03 (dd, J = 7.8, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (br, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 2.52 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 139.9, 137.8, 128.8, 127.3, 125.7, 123.6, 123.3, 120.3, 120.3, 119.3, 110.6, 110.3, 21.5.

**HRMS (ESI-TOF):** calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{12}N (M + H)]^+$ : 182.0970, found: 182.0977. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **6a** are consistent with the reported spectra<sup>[37]</sup>.

**10***H*-phenothiazine (16)<sup>[38]</sup>:



A flask was charged with CuI (19 mg, 0.1 mmol, 10 mol%), CH<sub>3</sub>CSNH<sub>2</sub> (225 mg, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (978 mg, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv). 2-Bromo-*N*-(2-iodophenyl)aniline **15** (374 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in DMSO/H<sub>2</sub>O (0.5 mL/0.25 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 120 °C under nitrogen for 24 hours. The reaction was cooled to rt and filtered through diatomite, and the filtrate was added water (10 mL), extracted with EtOAc for three times. The combined organic layer was washed with water to remove DMSO, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the product **16** as a yellowish solid, 159 mg, yield 80%. Melting Point: 180-184 °C.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):** δ 6.97 (m, 4H), 6.81 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 5.80 (br, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 141.7, 127.4, 126.9, 122.7, 118.4, 114.5.

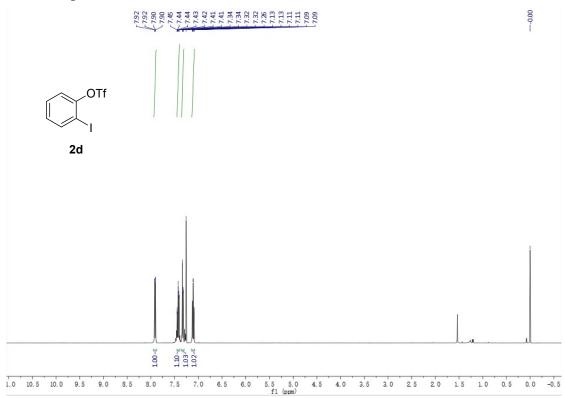
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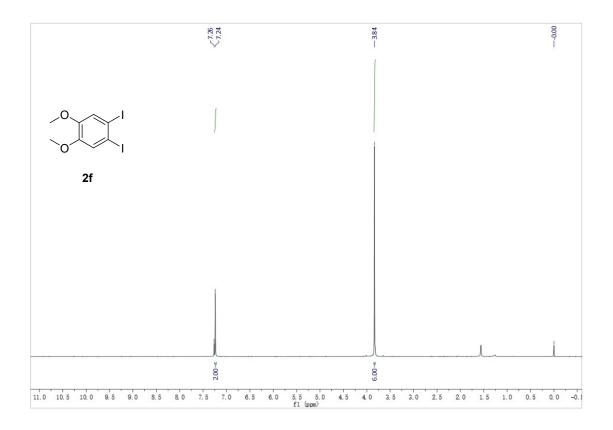
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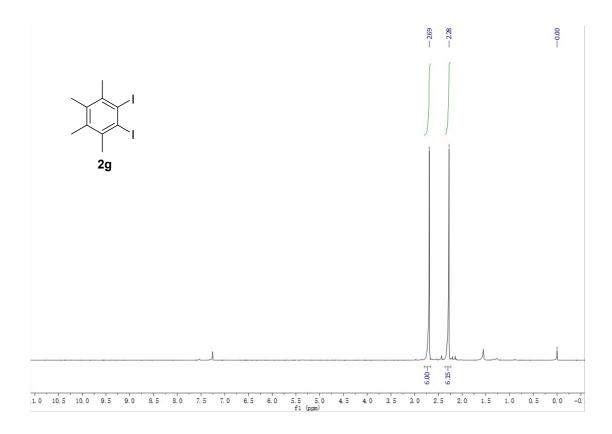
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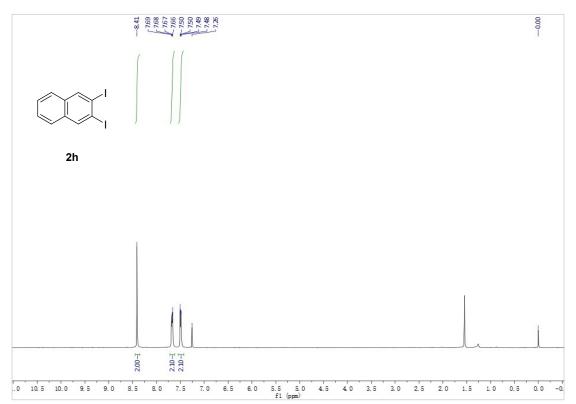
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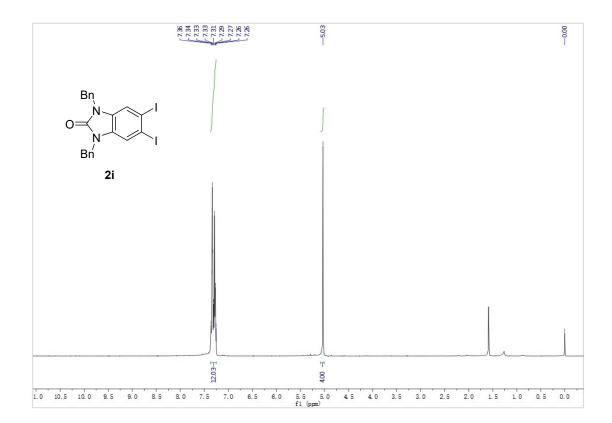


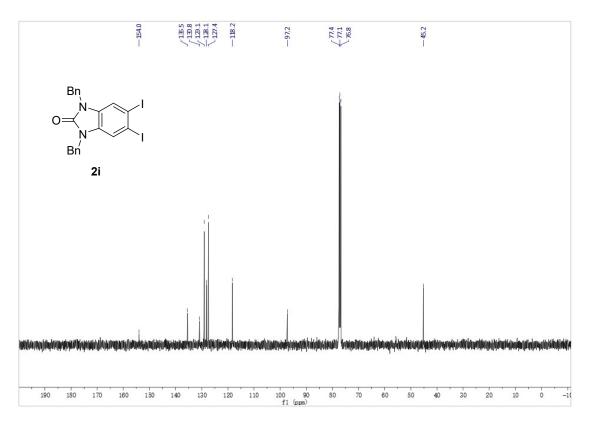


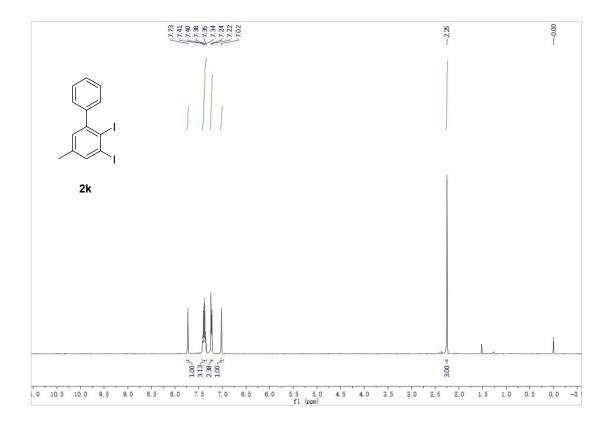
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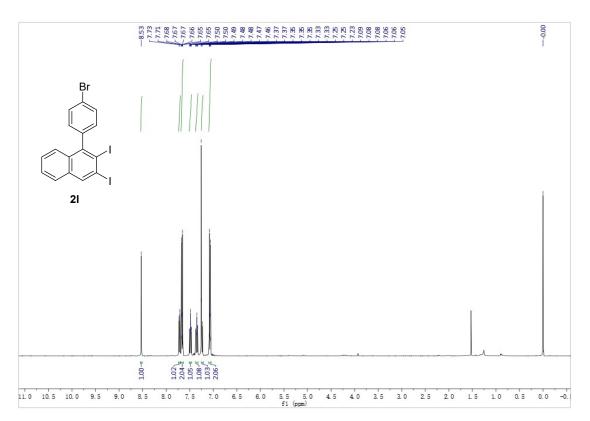


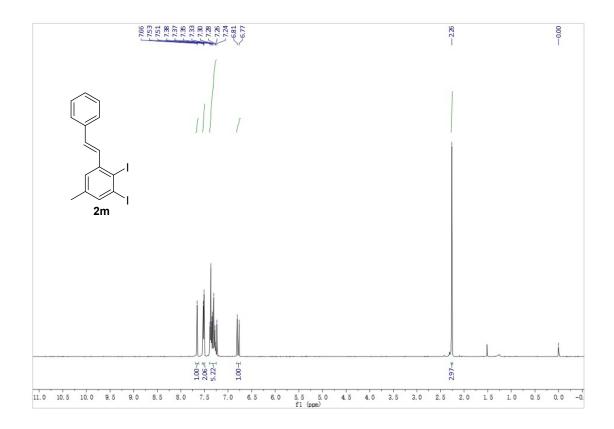


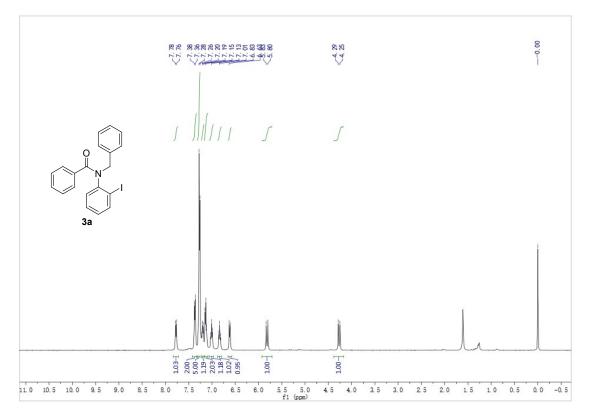


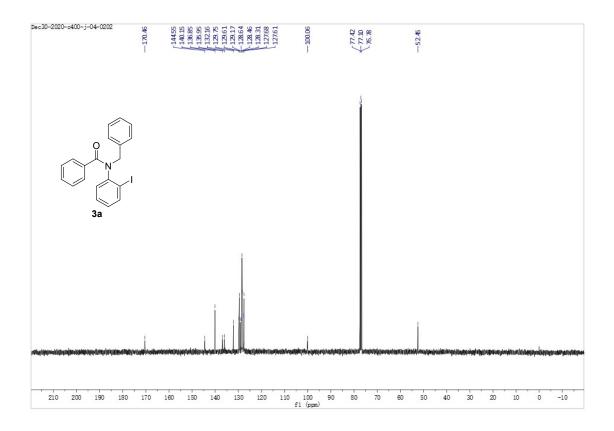


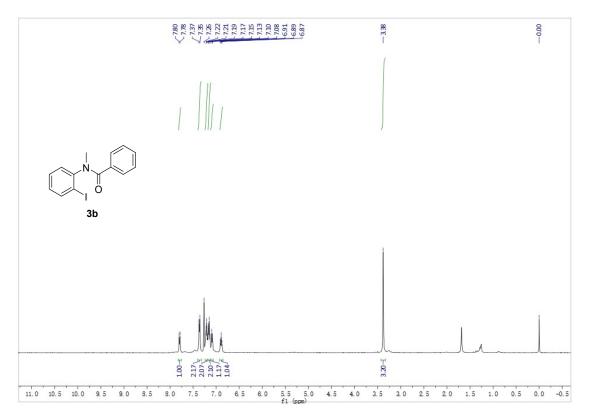


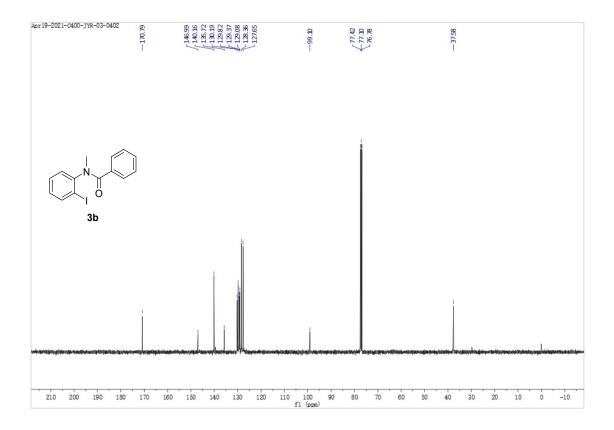


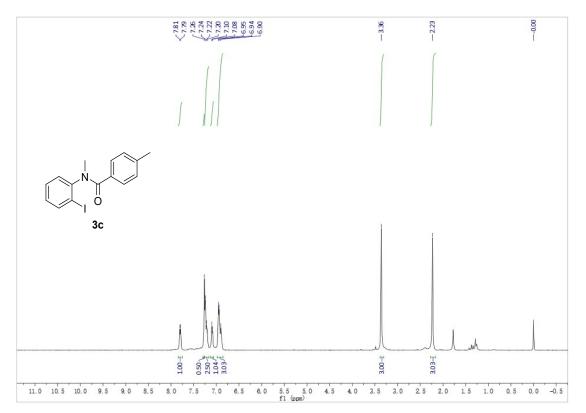


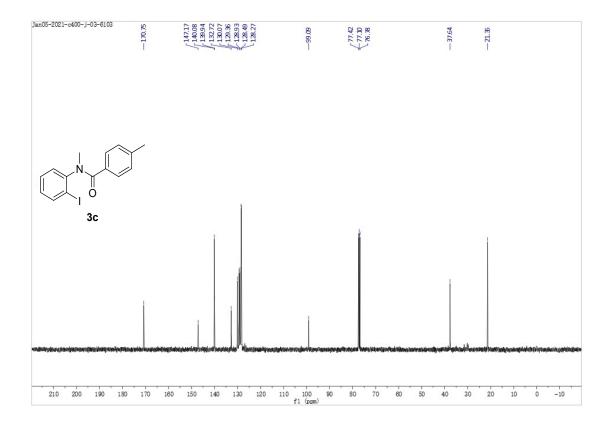


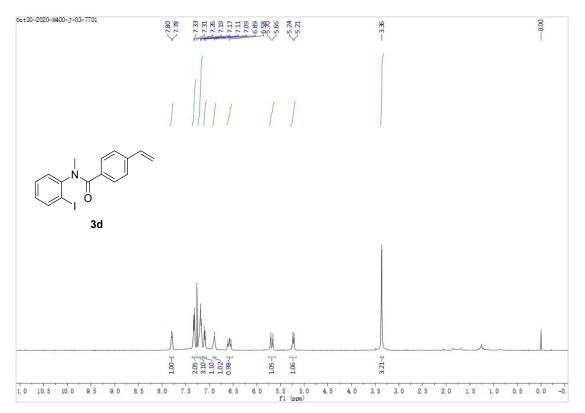


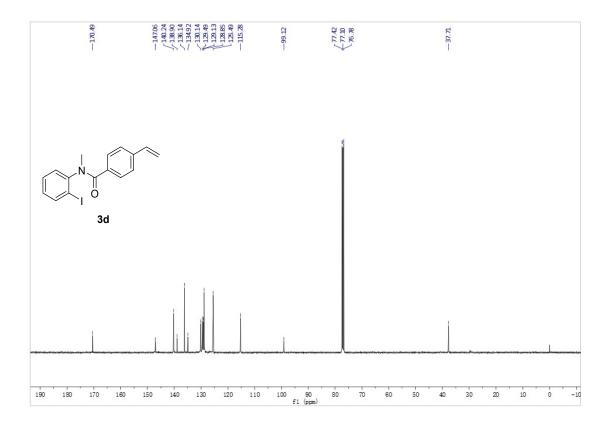


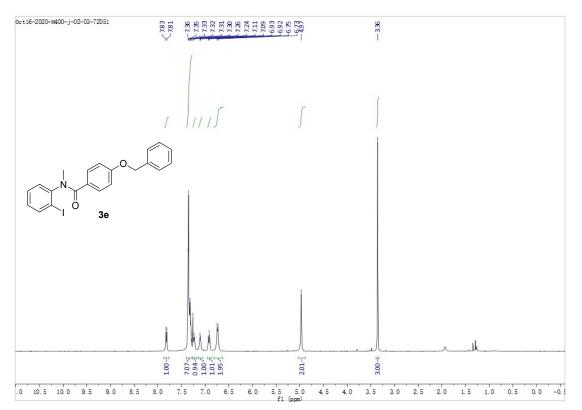


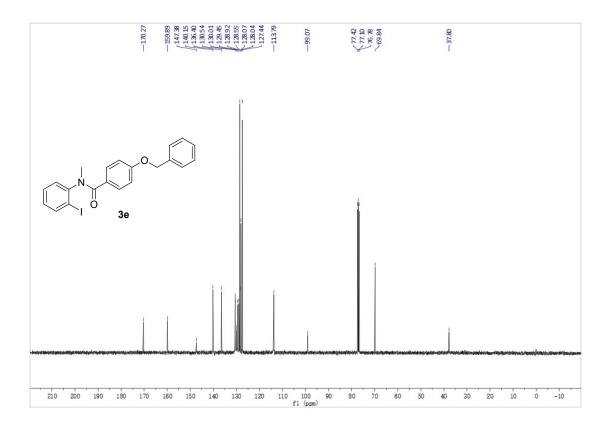


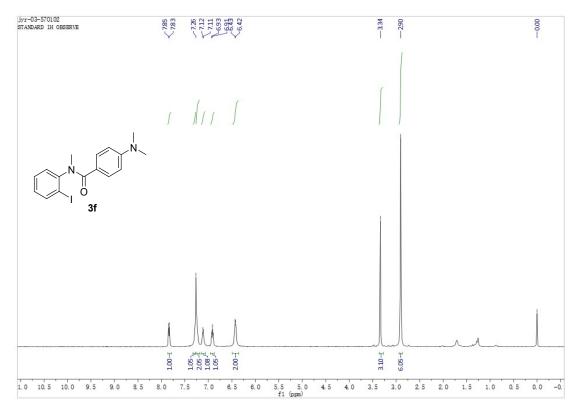


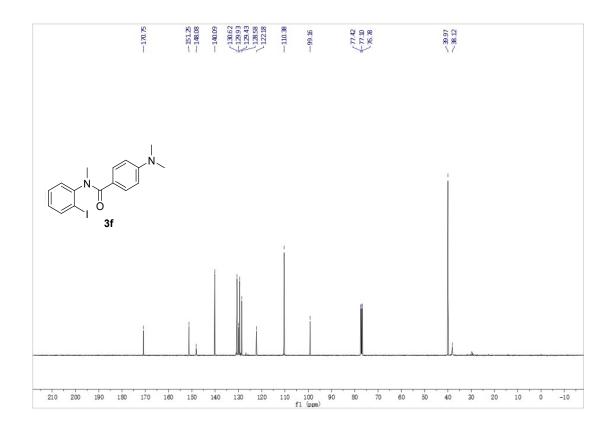


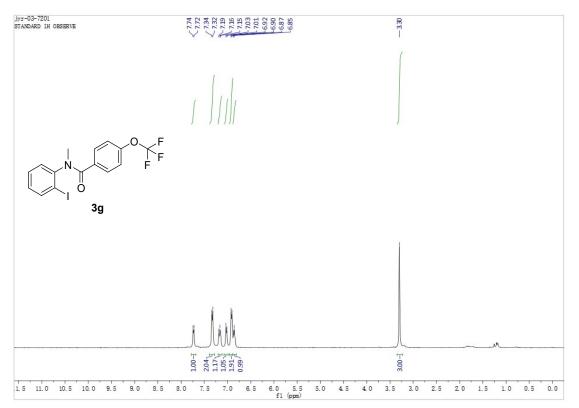


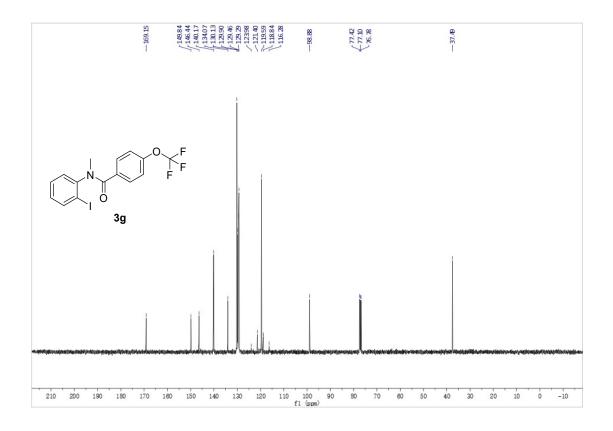


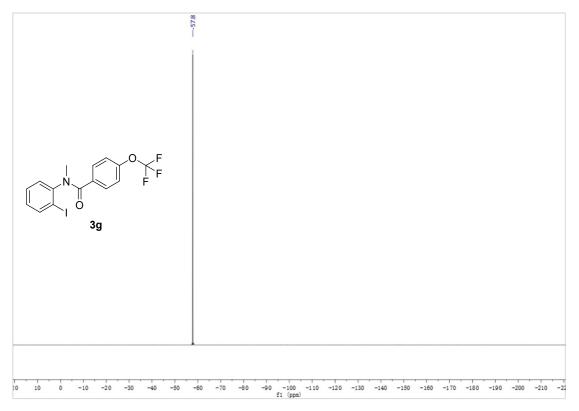


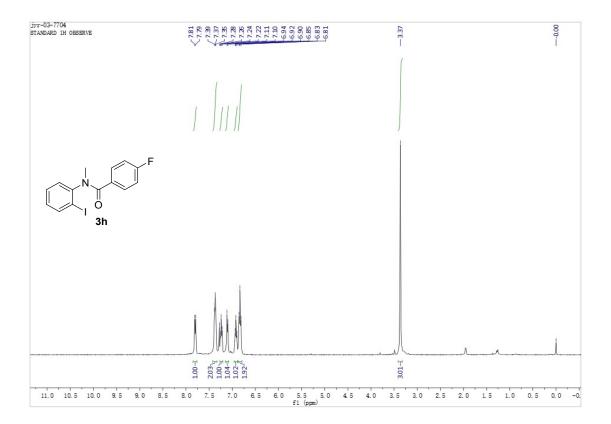


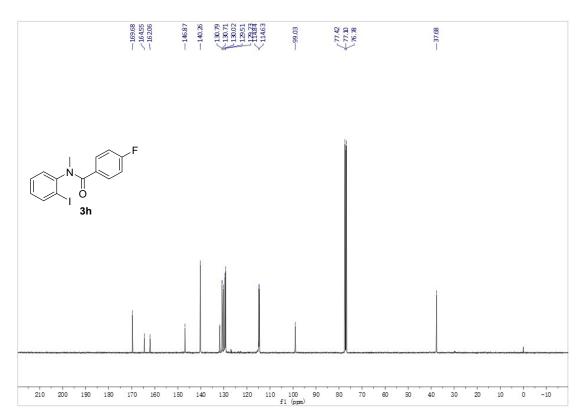


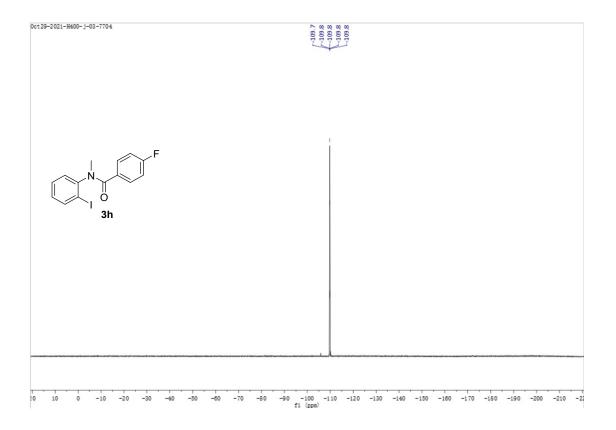


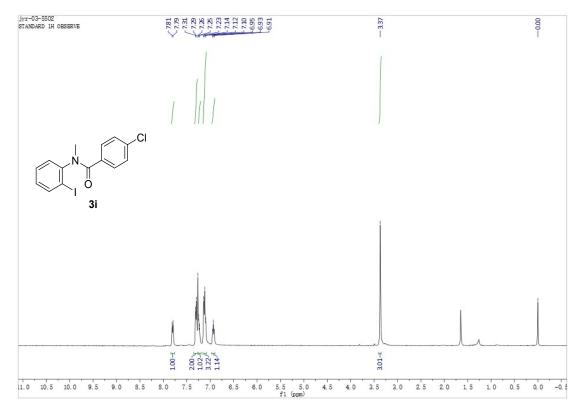


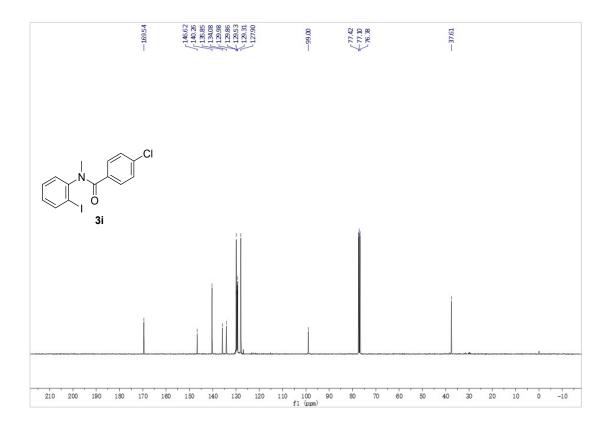


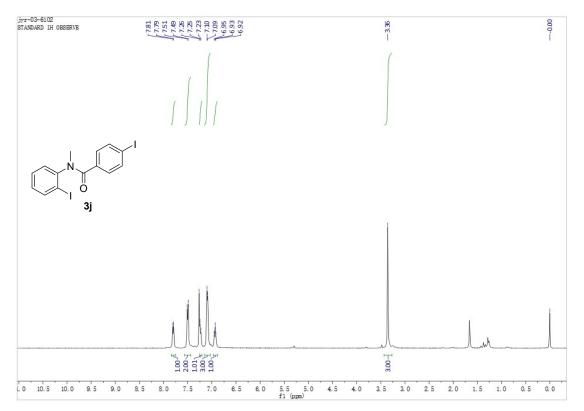


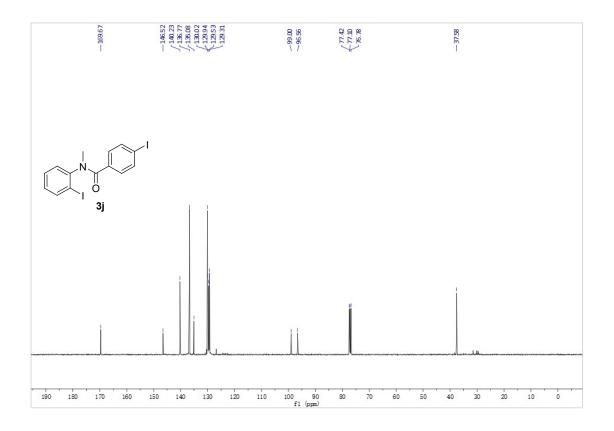


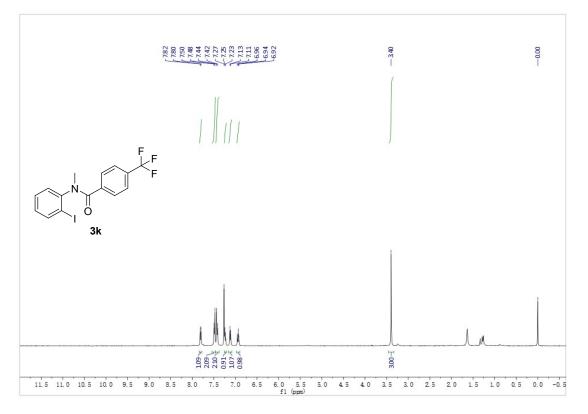


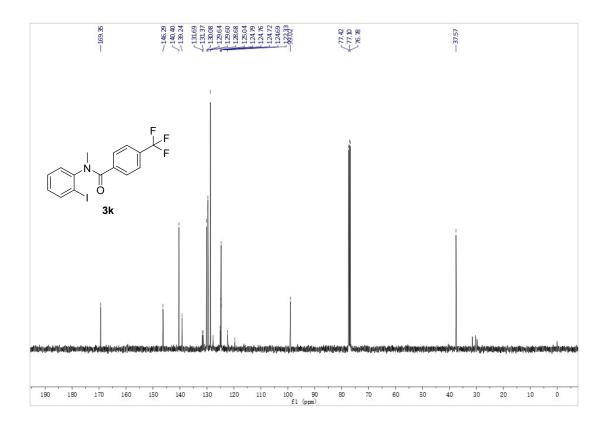


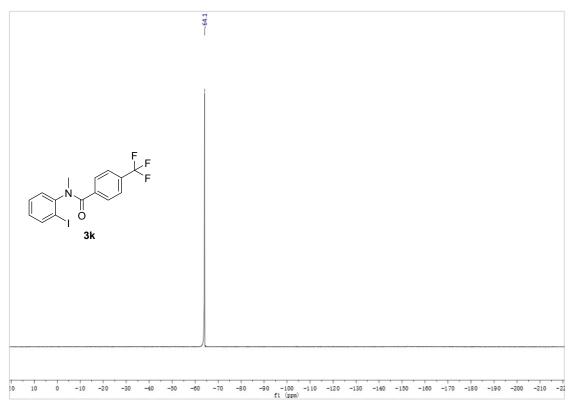


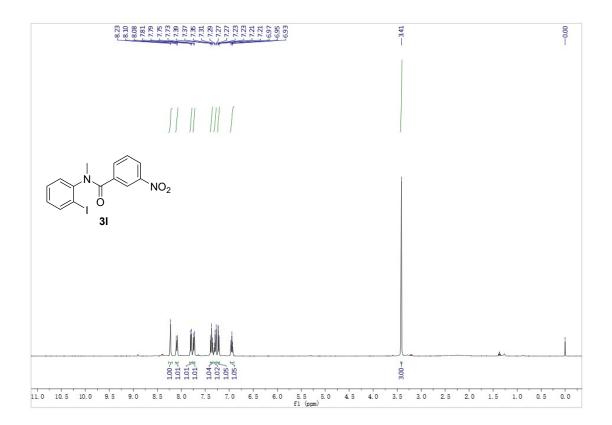


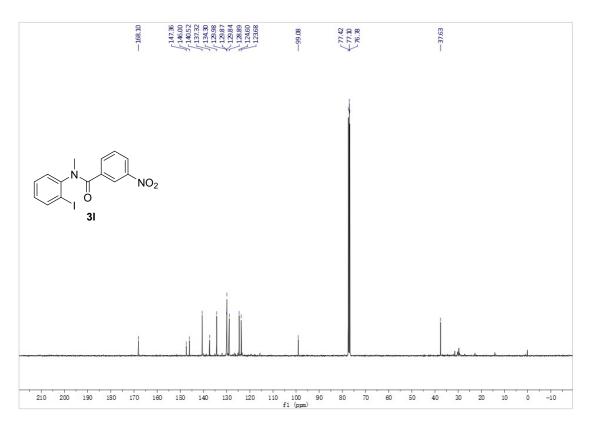


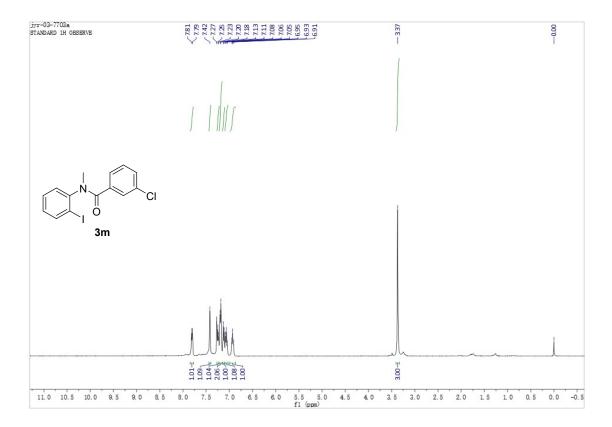


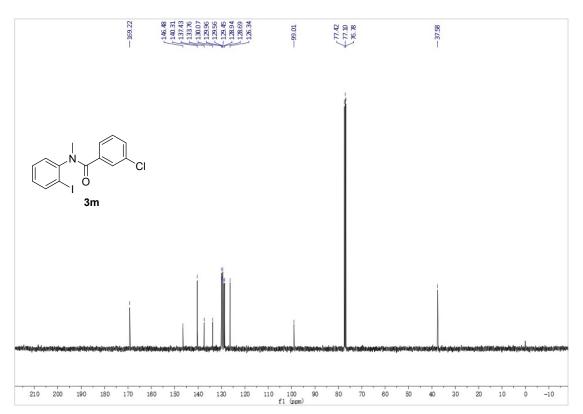


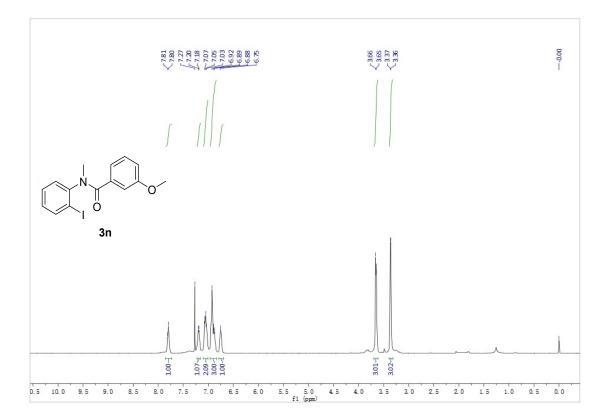


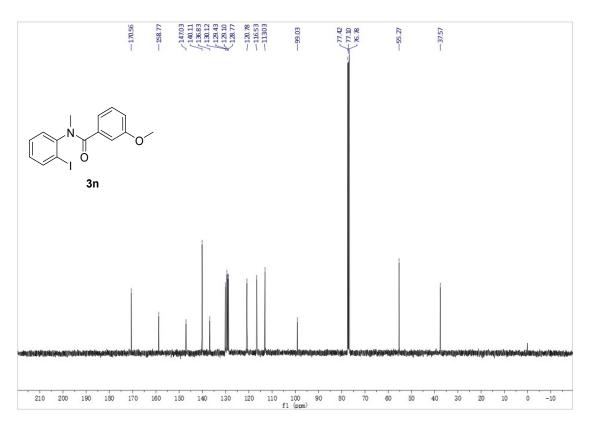


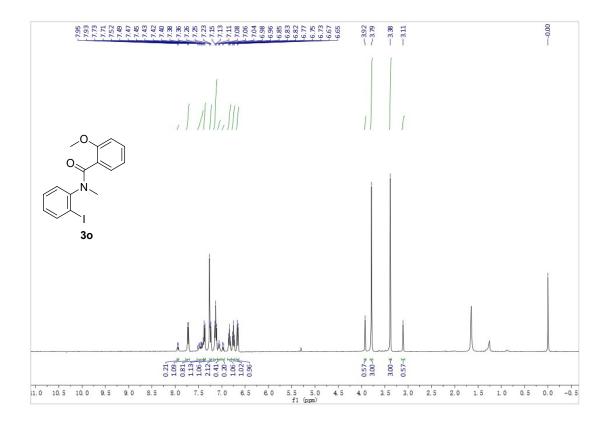


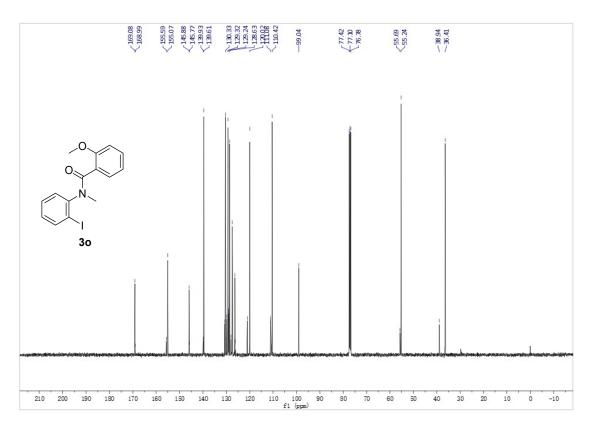


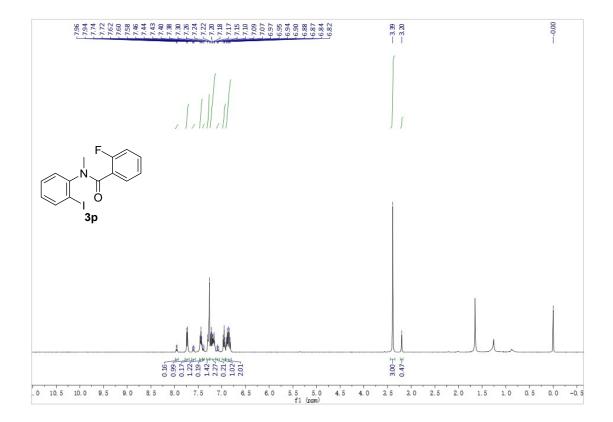


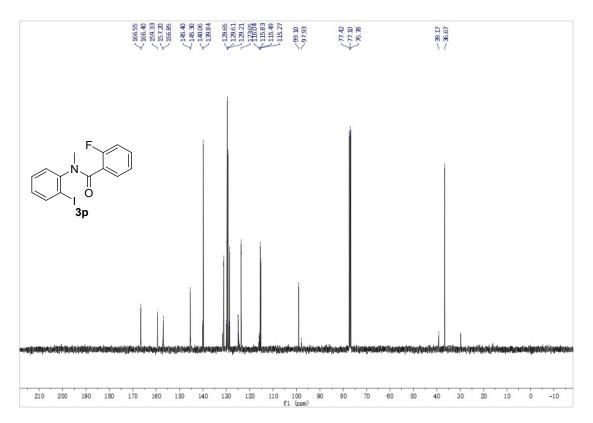


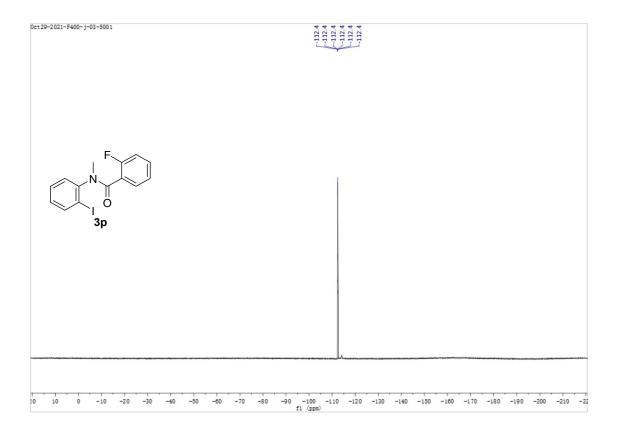


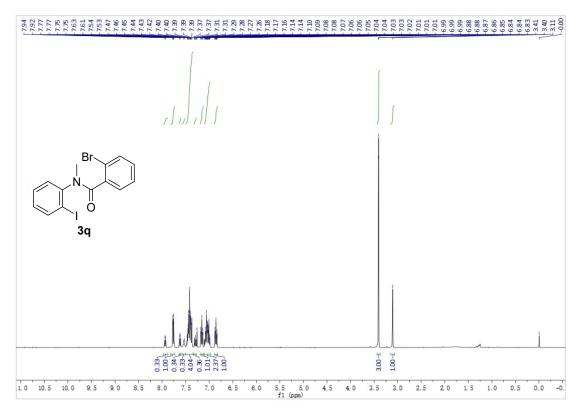


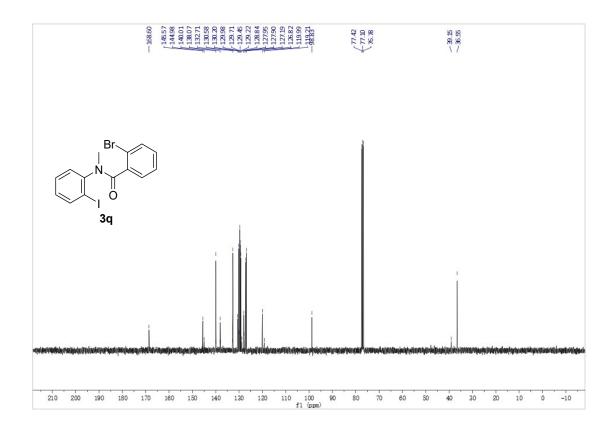


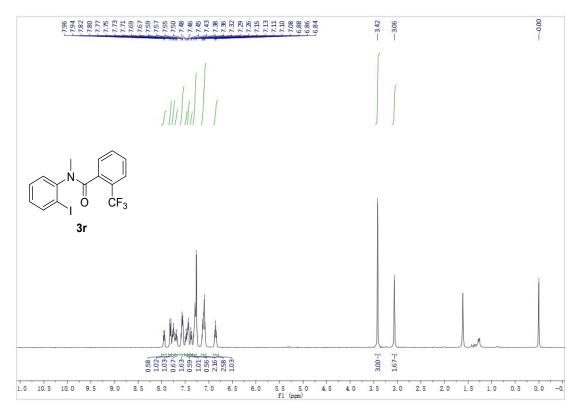


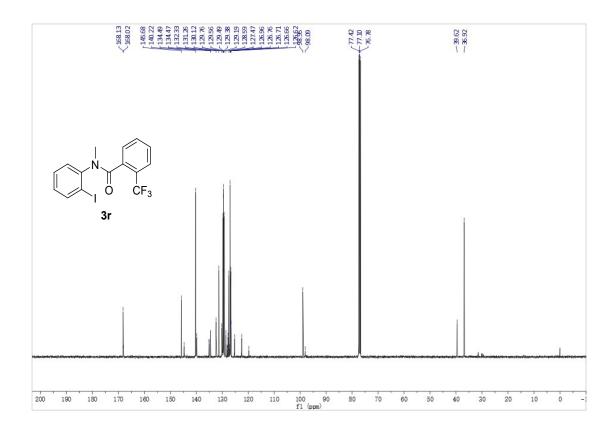


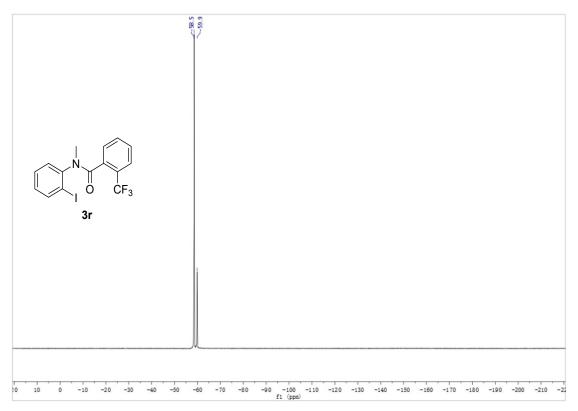


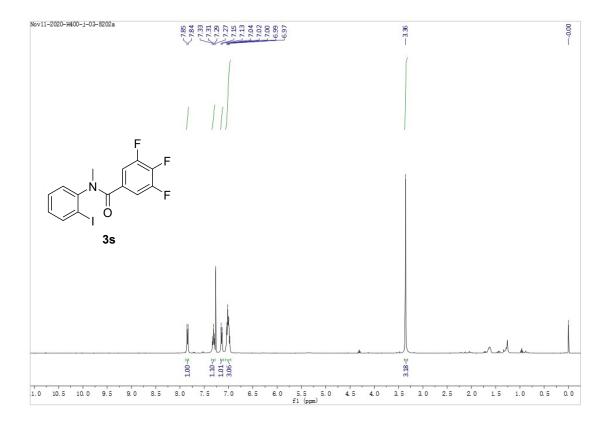


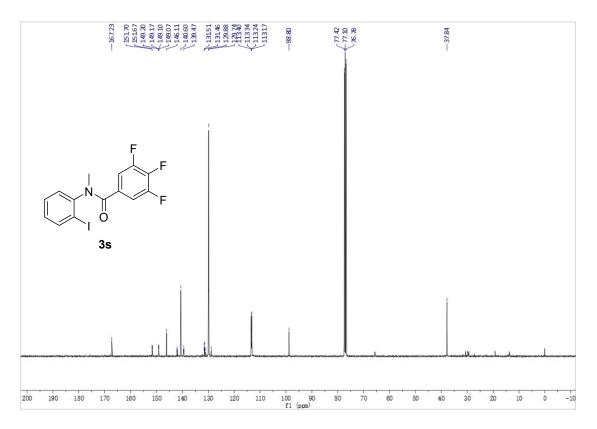


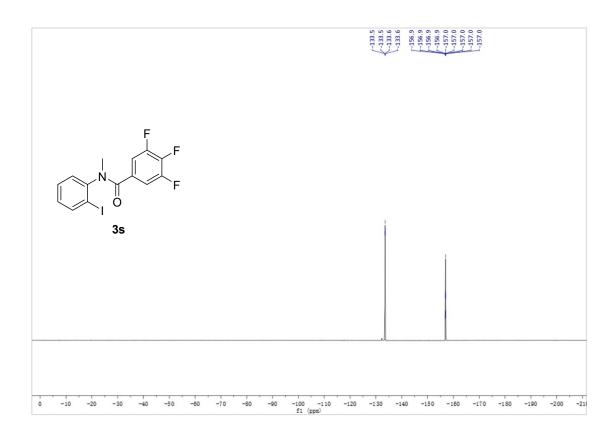


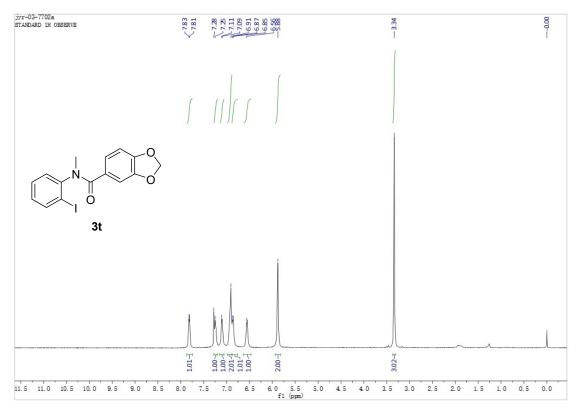


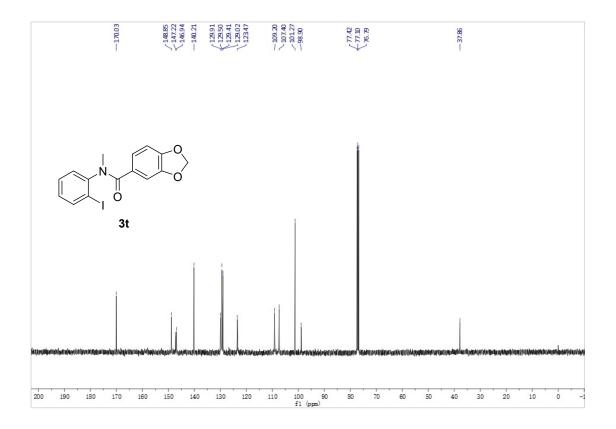


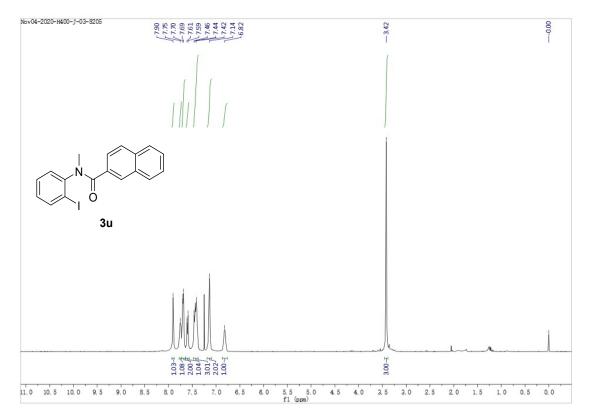


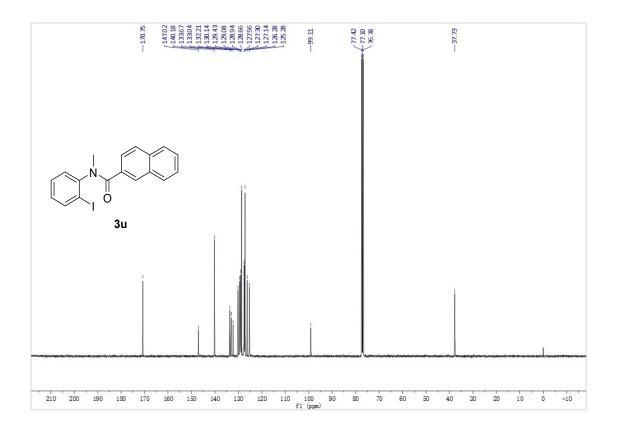


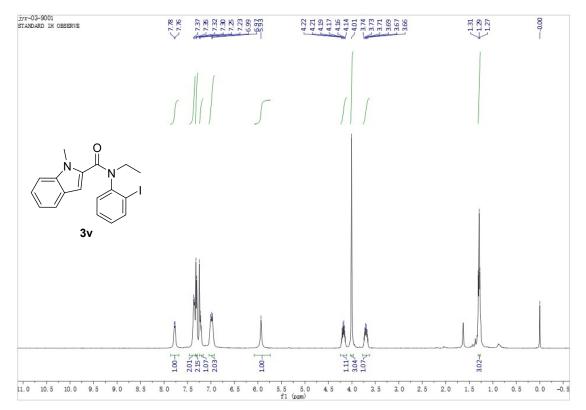


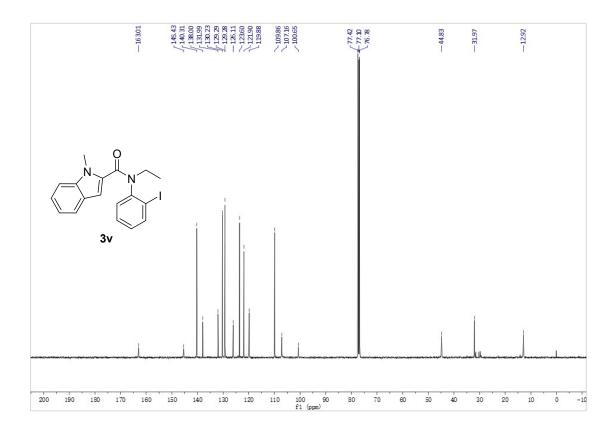


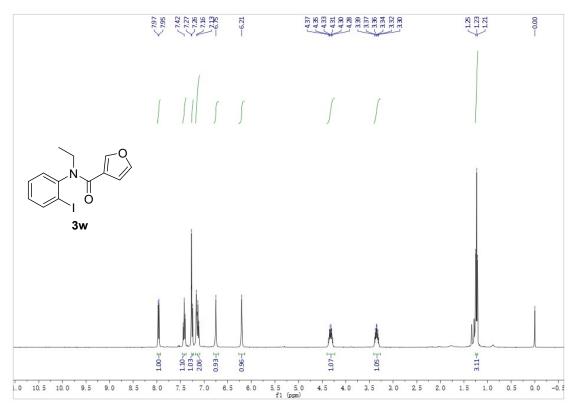


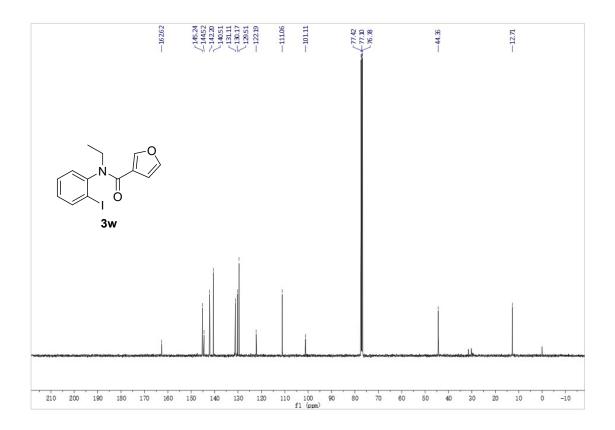


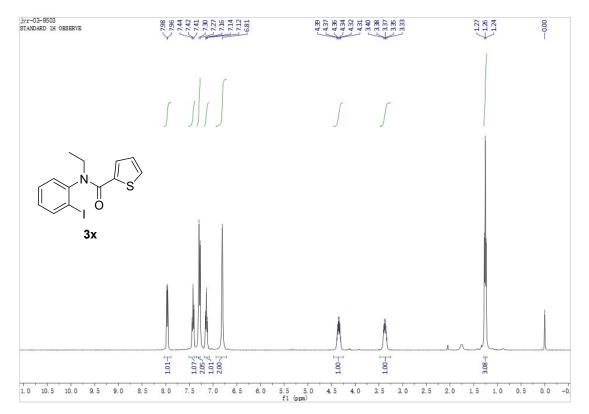


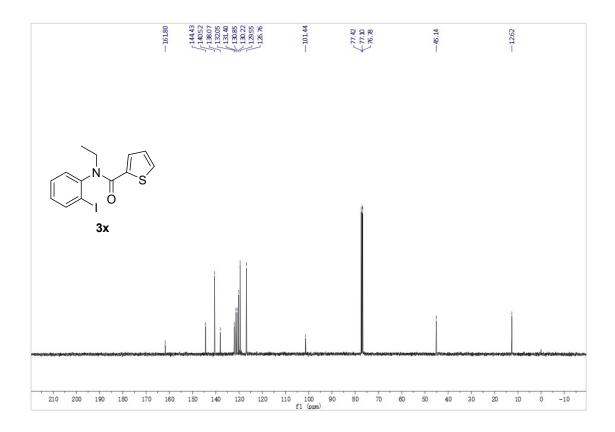


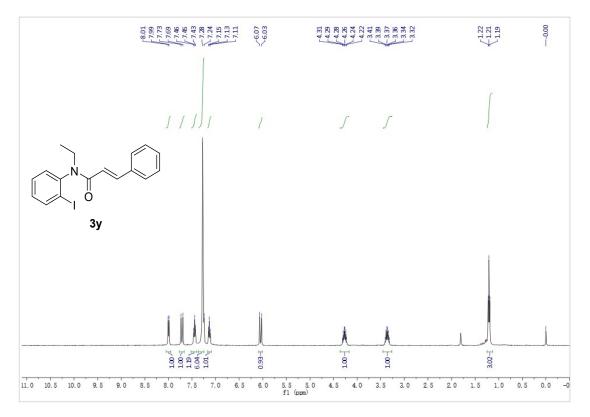


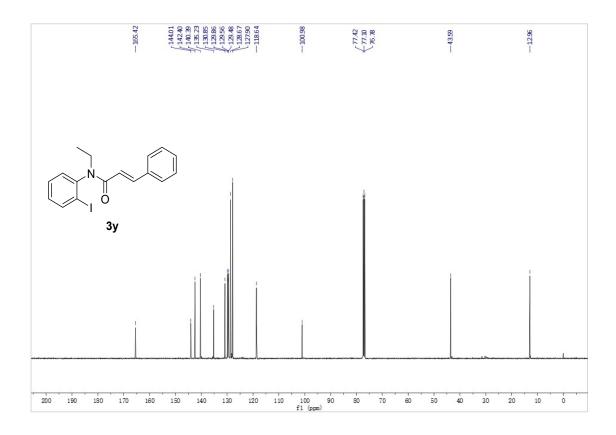


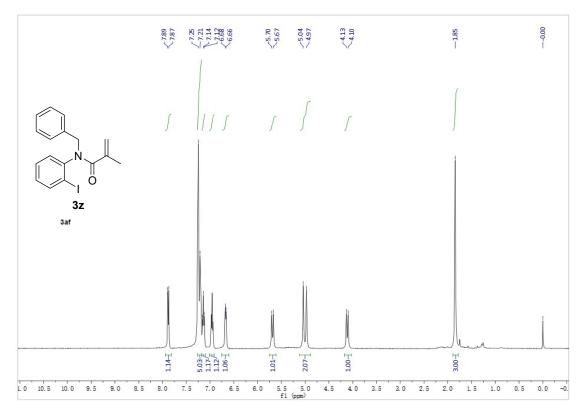


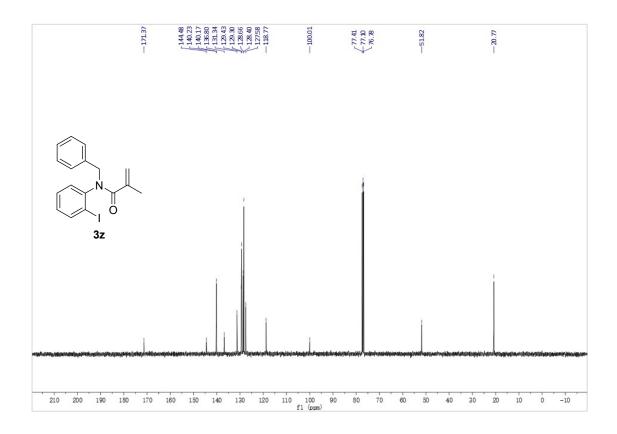


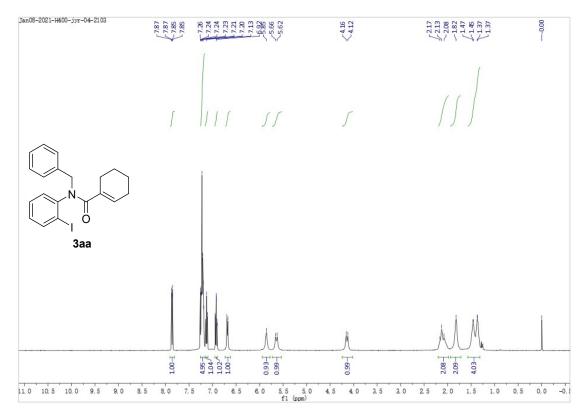


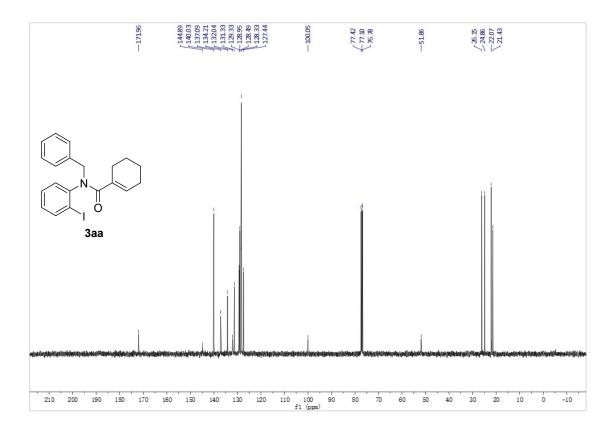


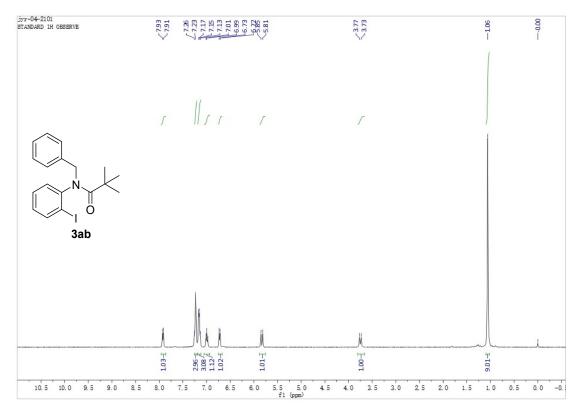


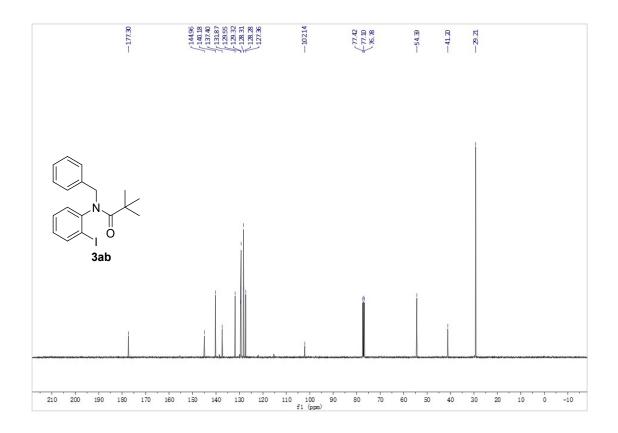


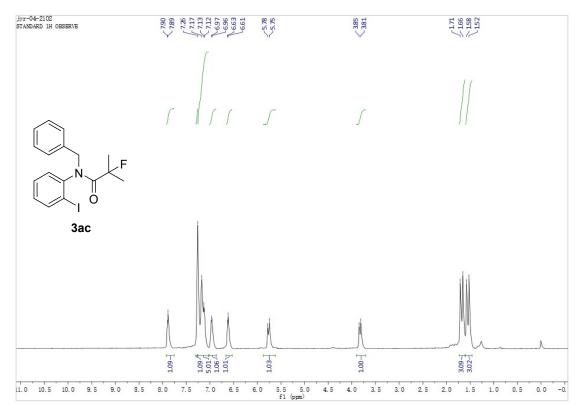


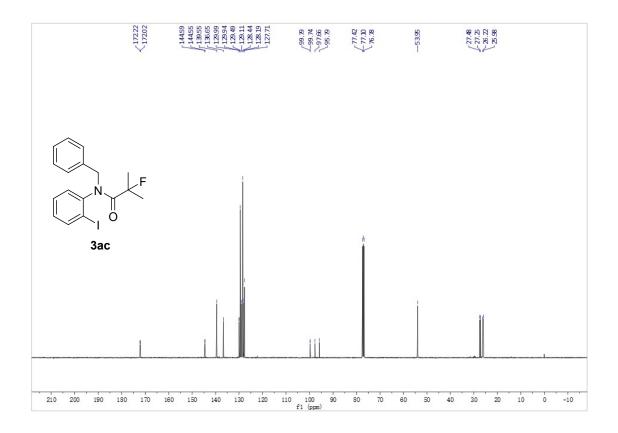


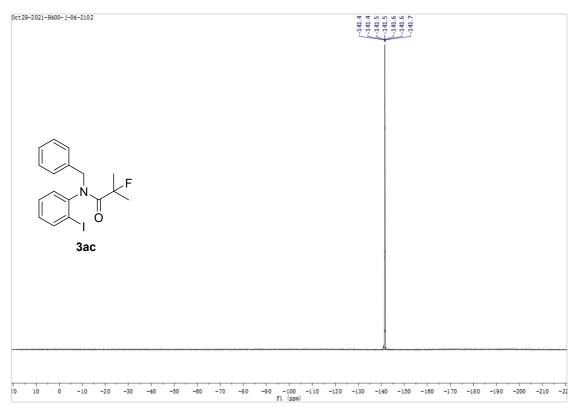


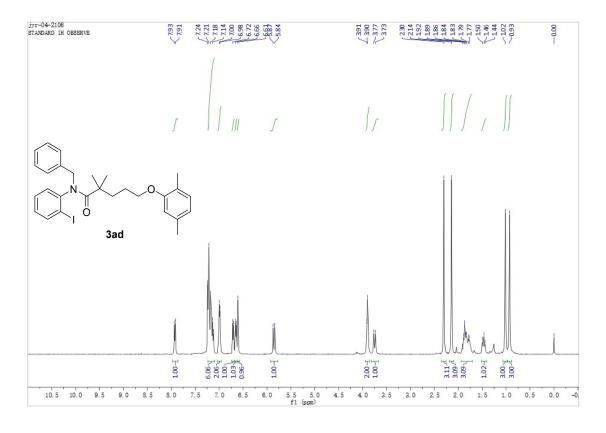


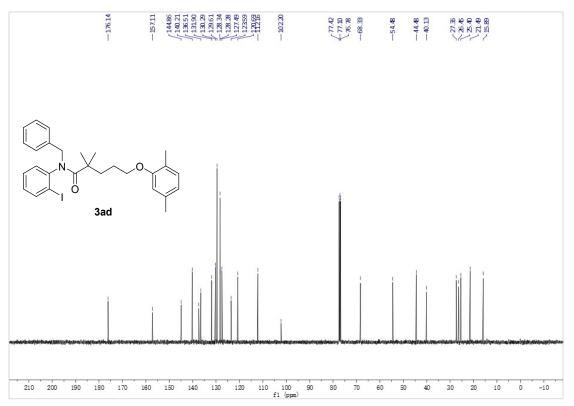


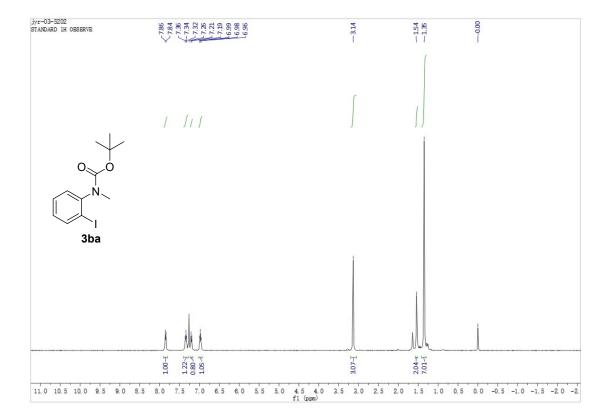


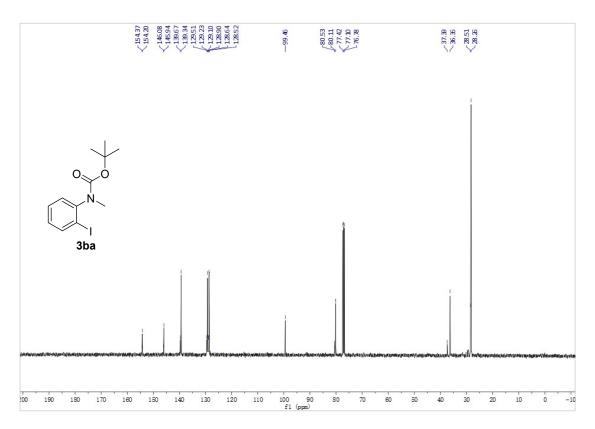


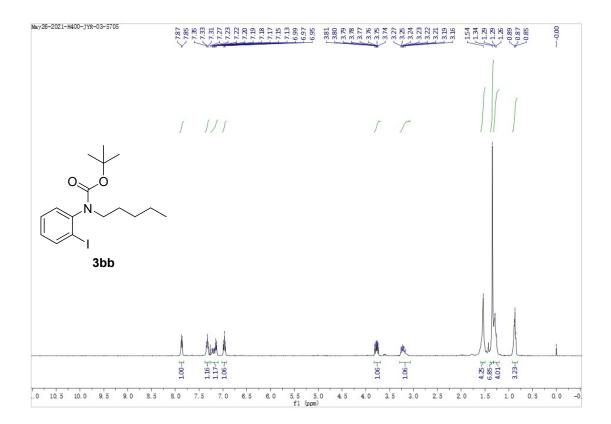


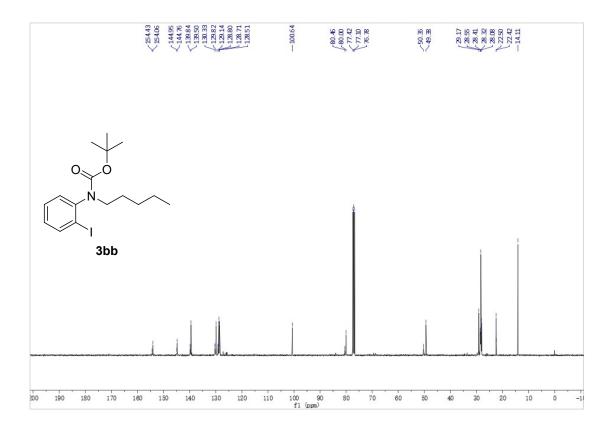


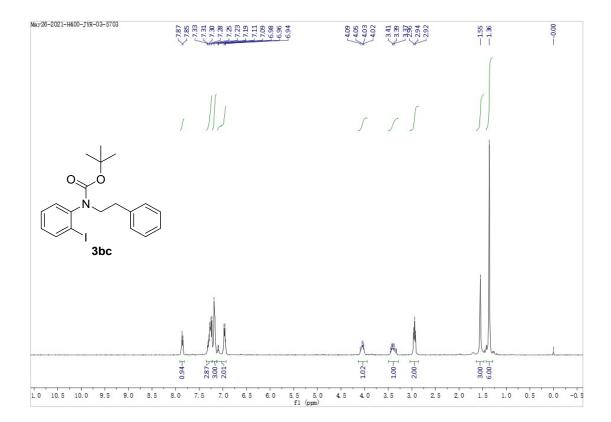


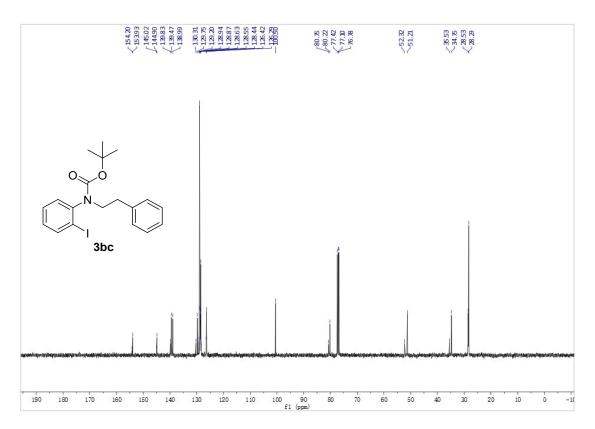


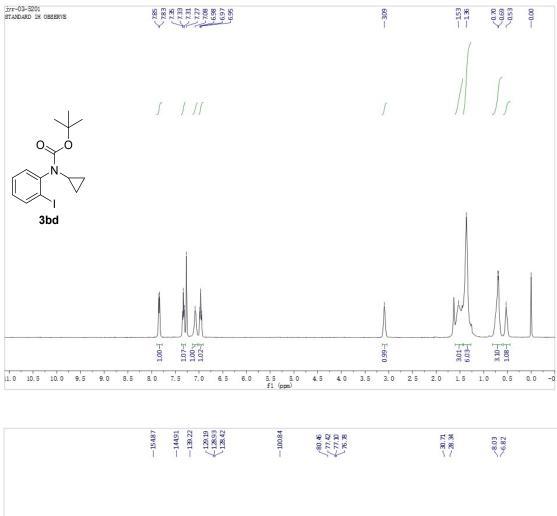


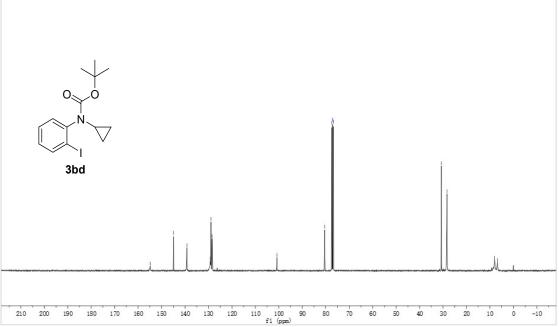


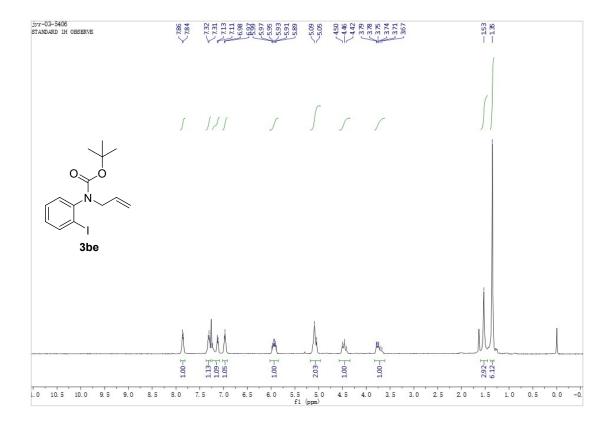


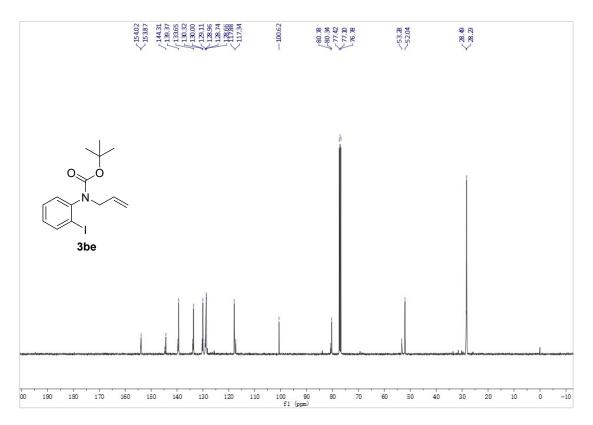


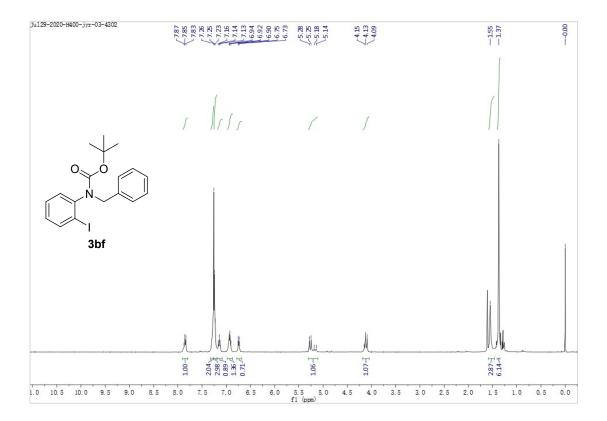


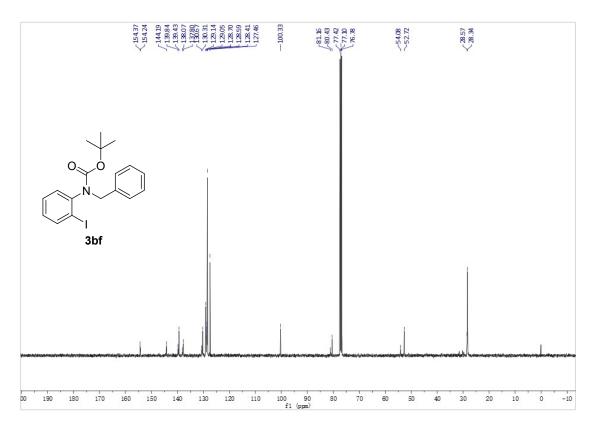


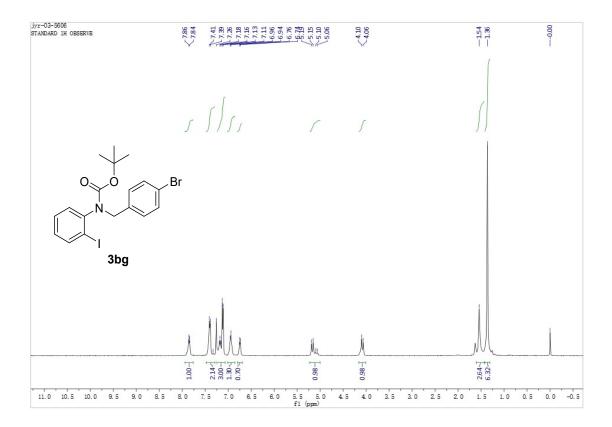


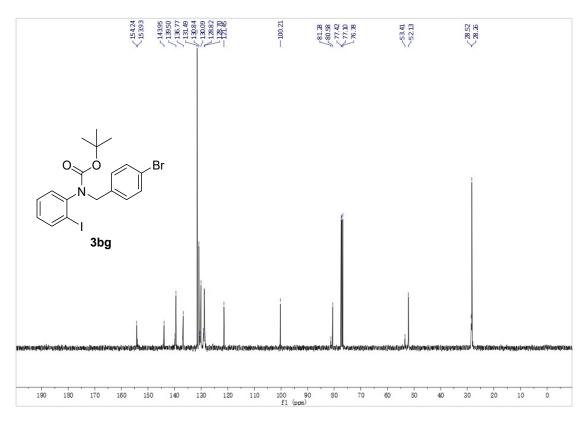


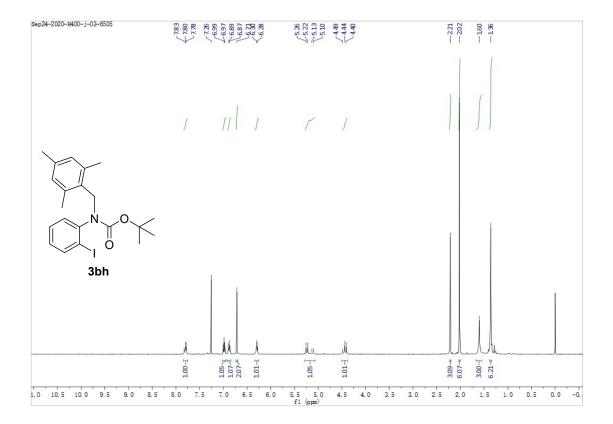


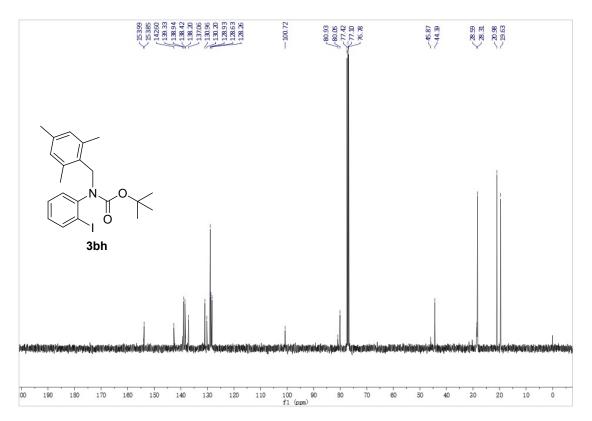


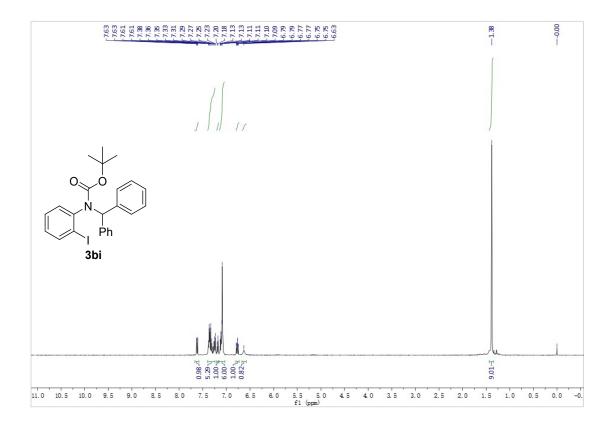


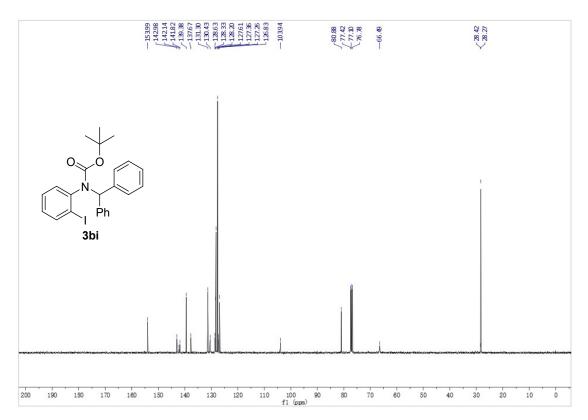


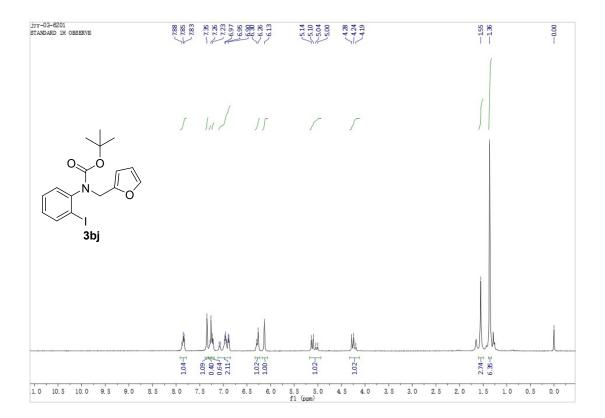


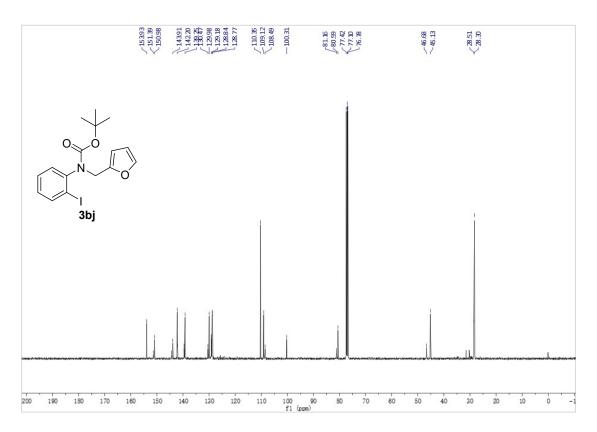


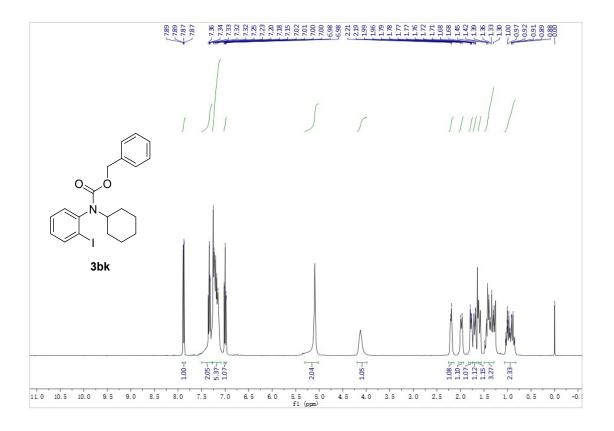


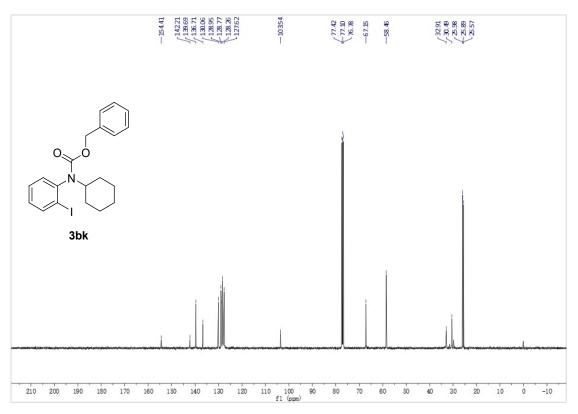


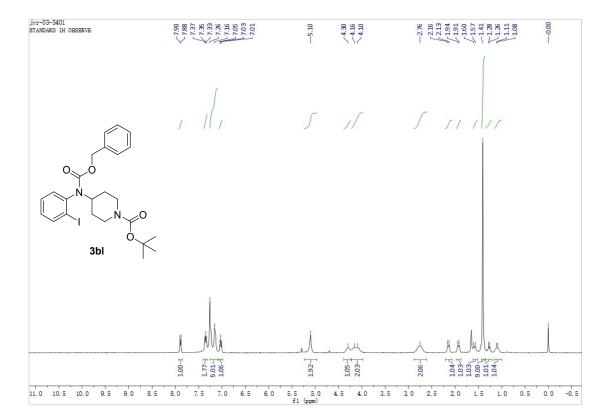


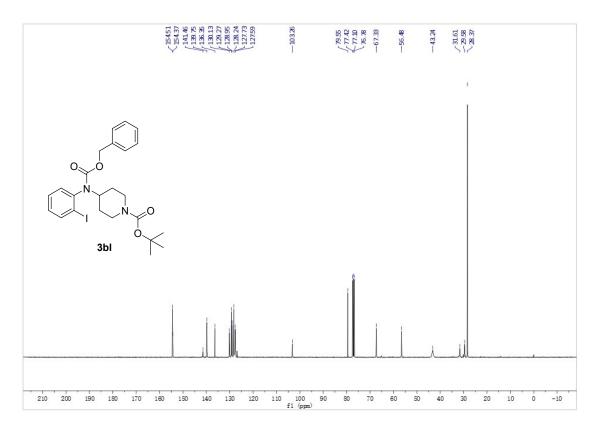


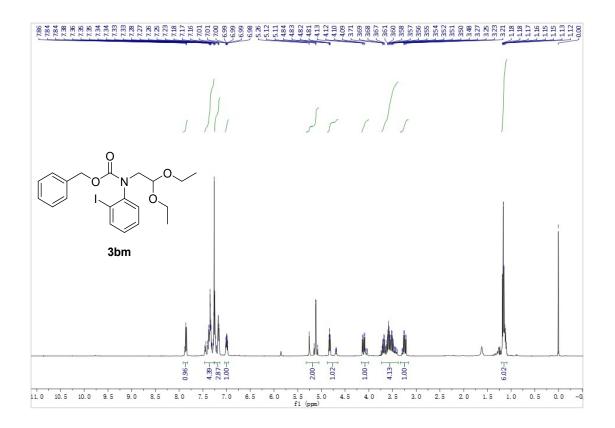


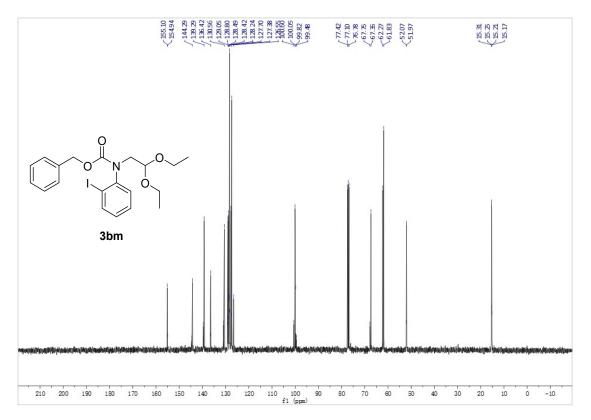


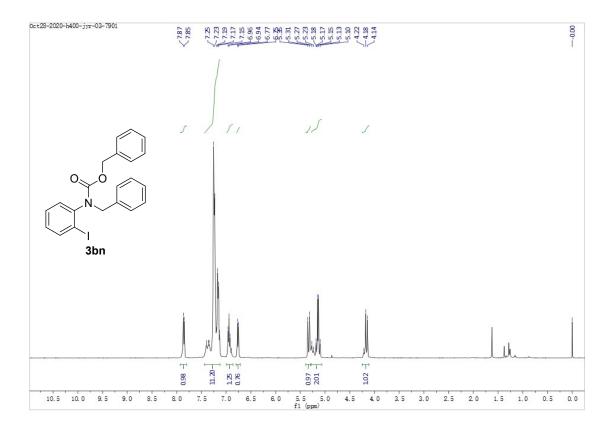


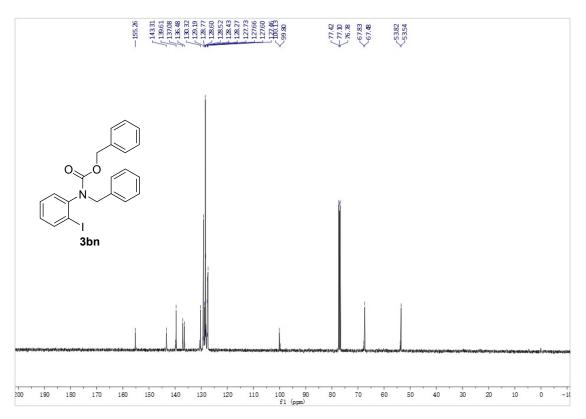


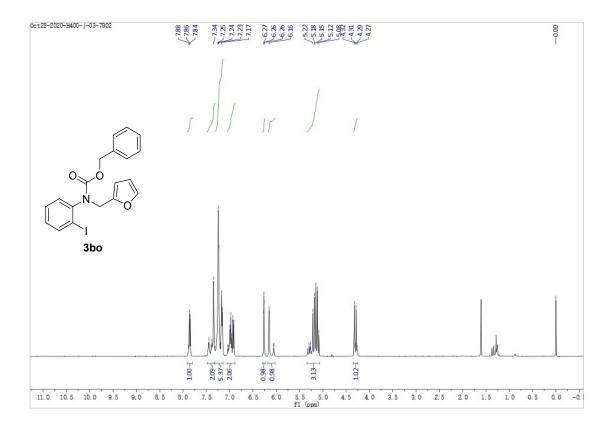


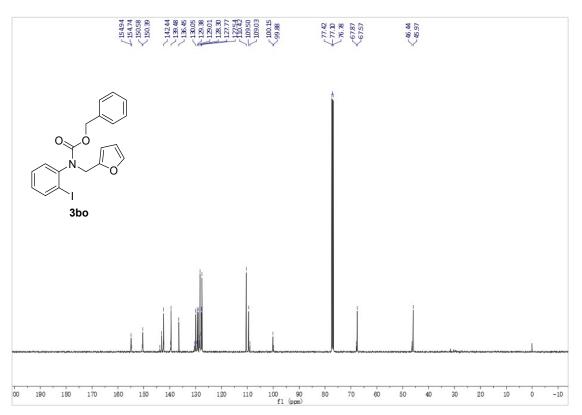


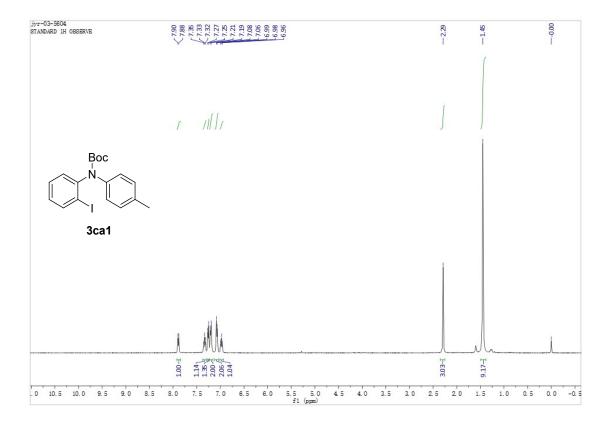


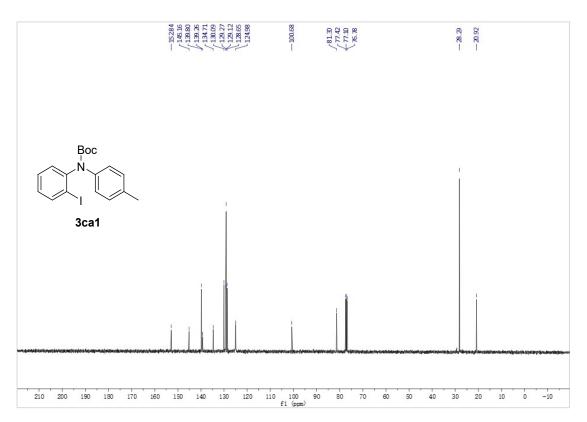


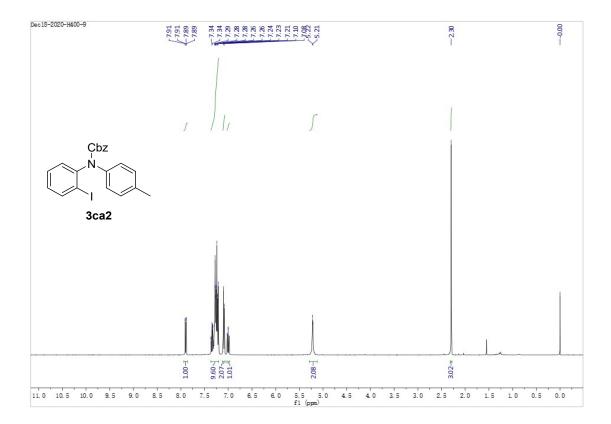


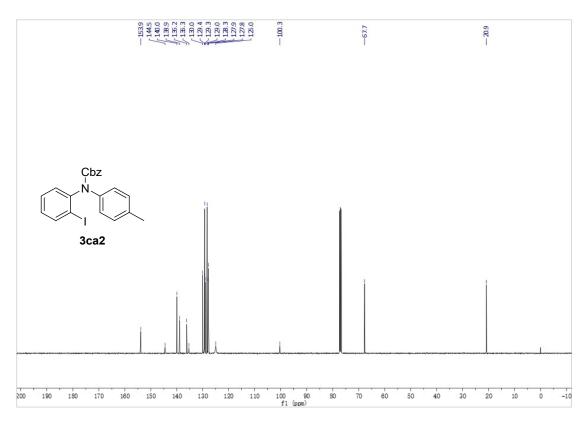


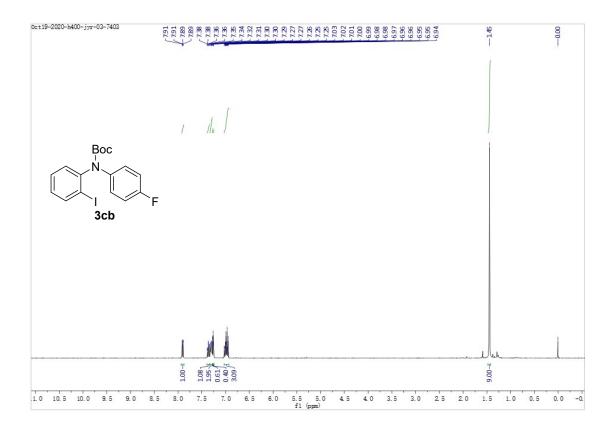


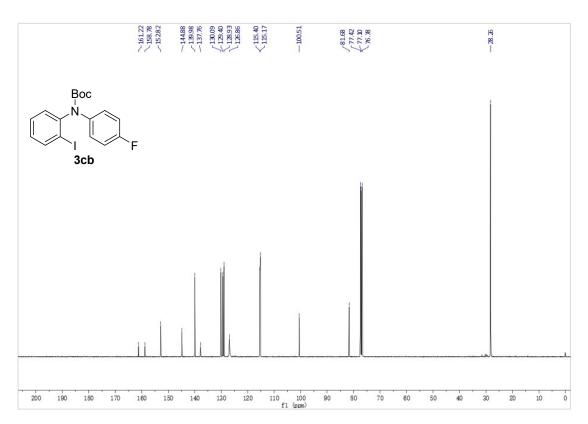


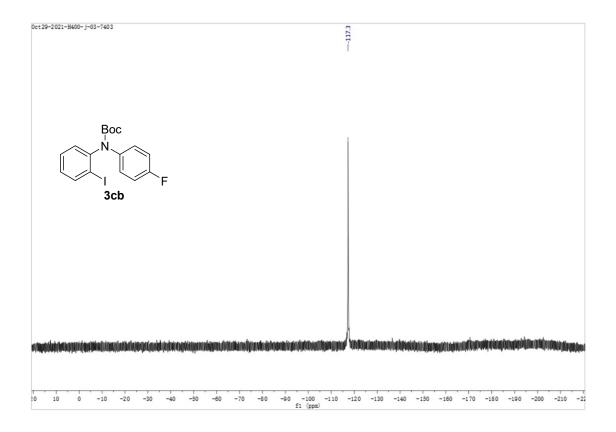


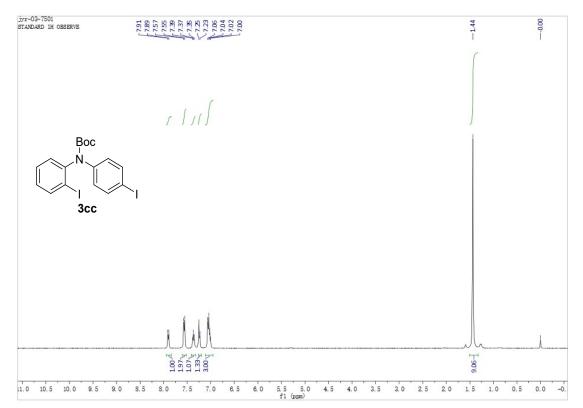


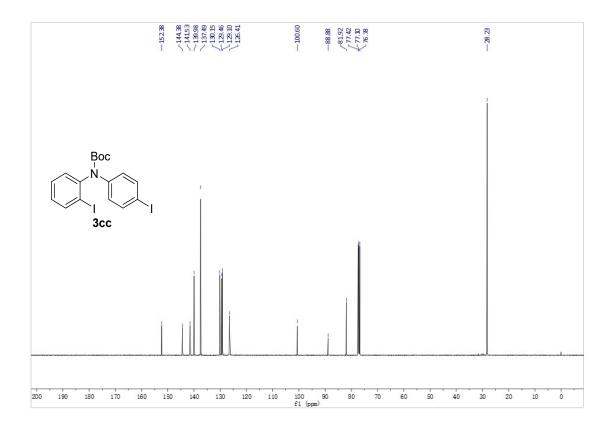


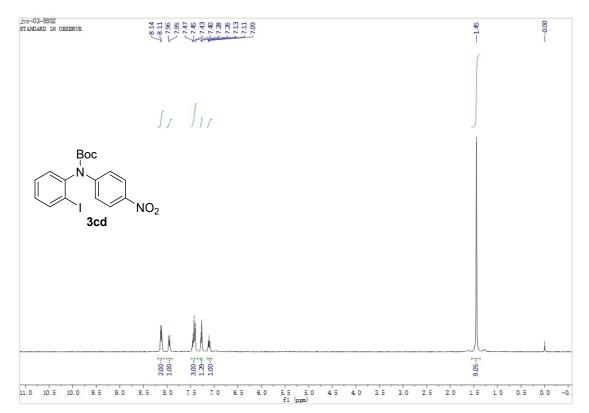


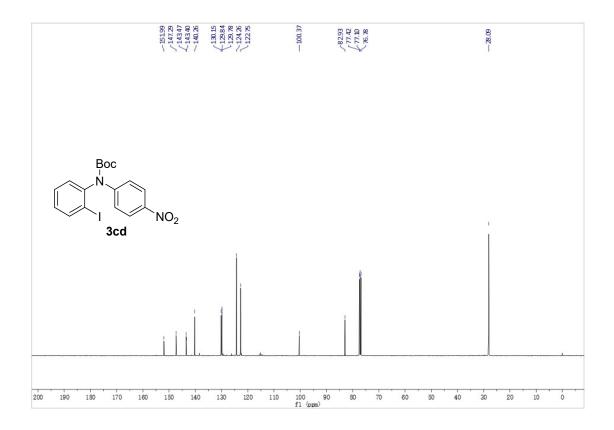


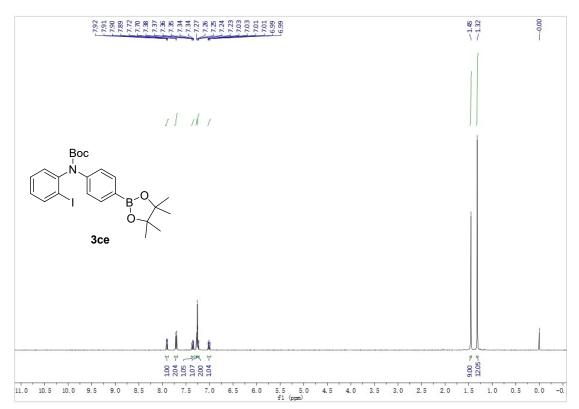


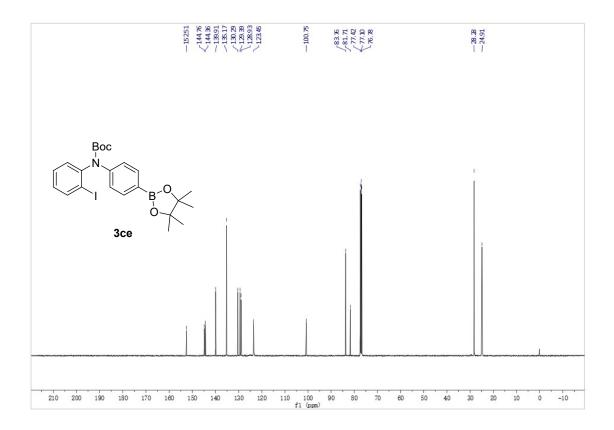


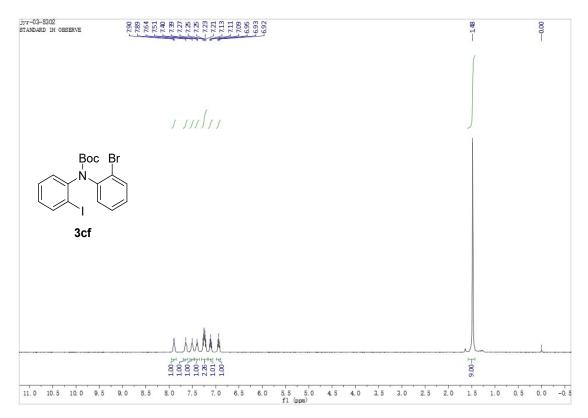


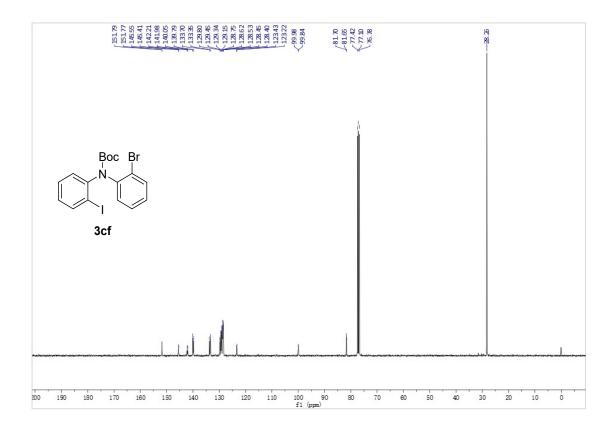


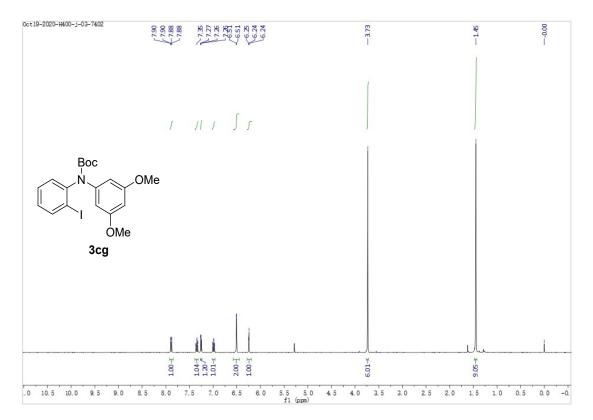


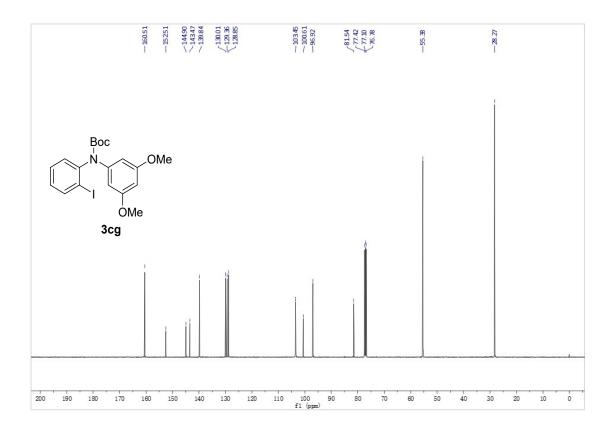


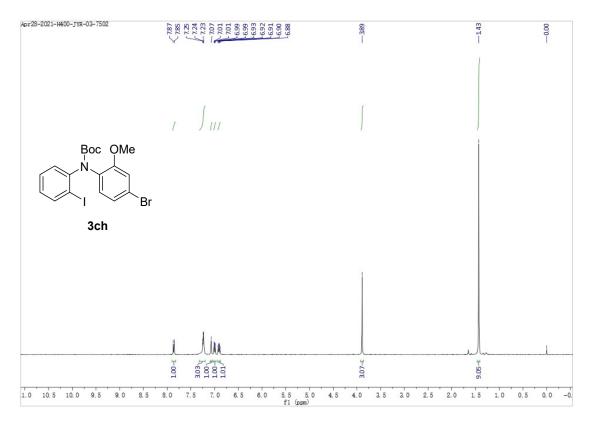


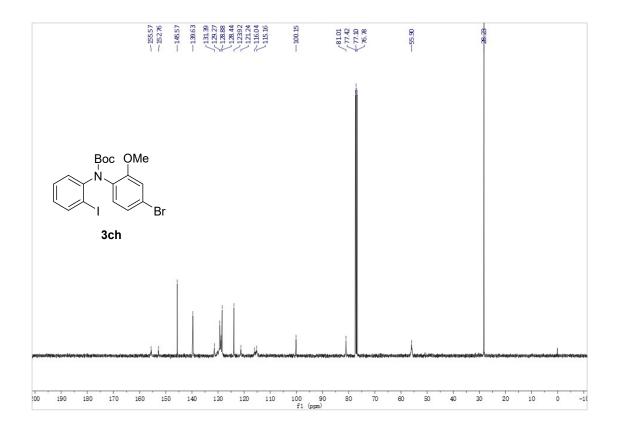


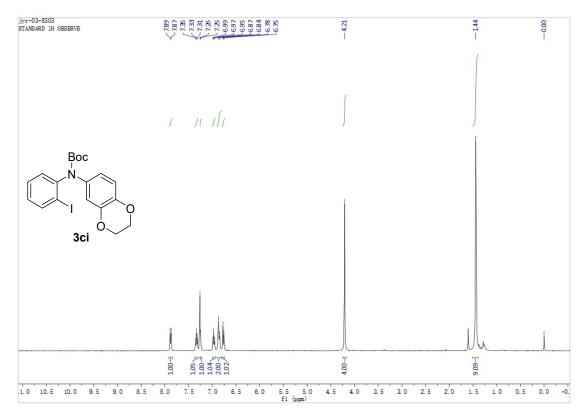


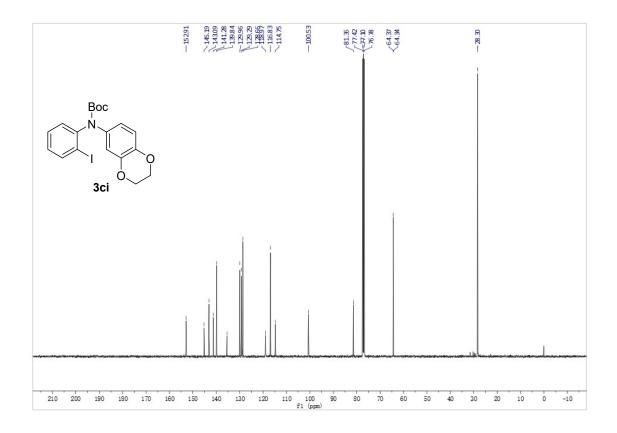


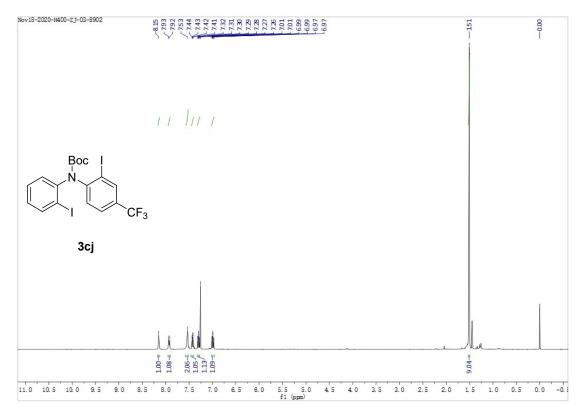


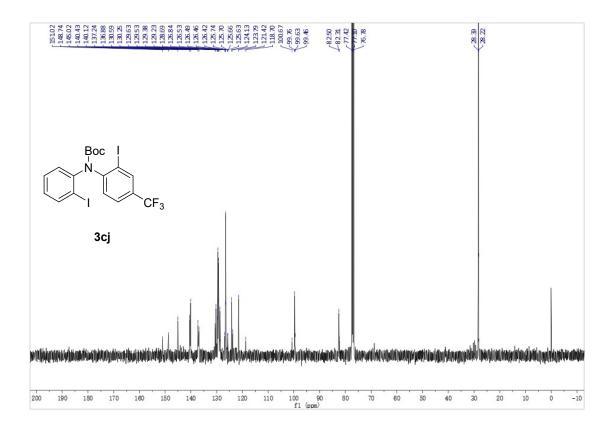


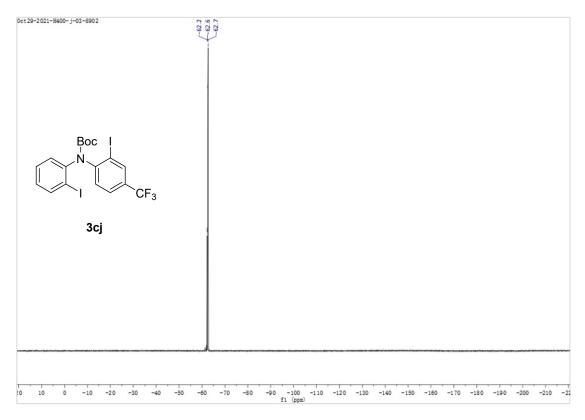


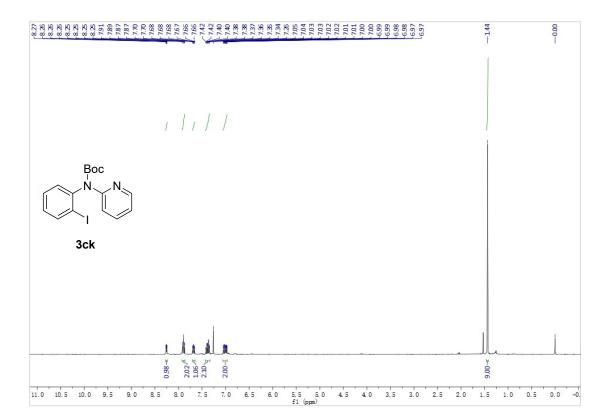


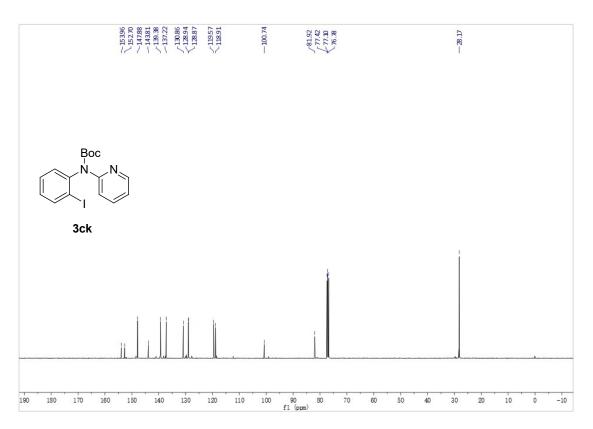


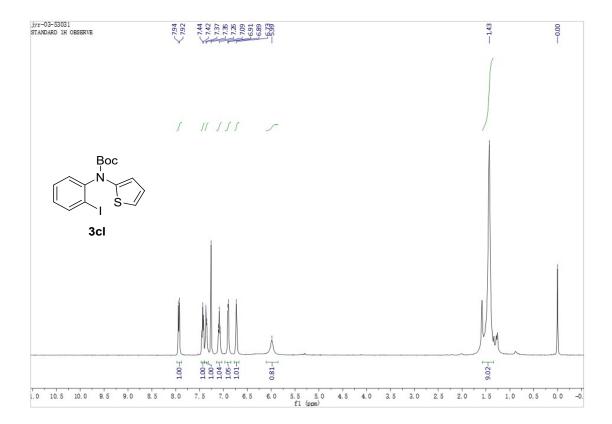


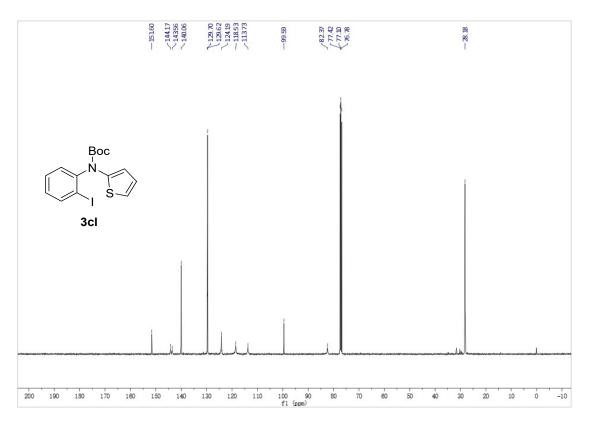


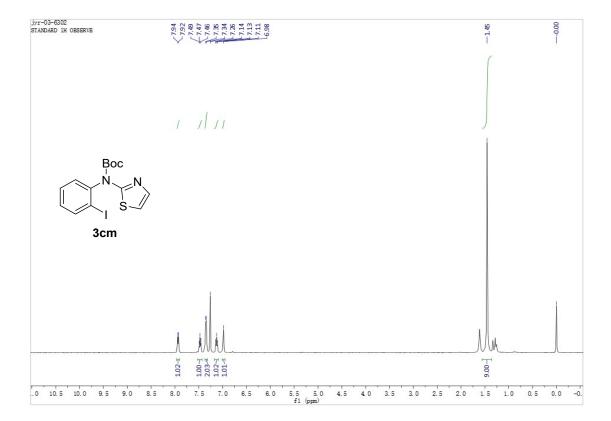


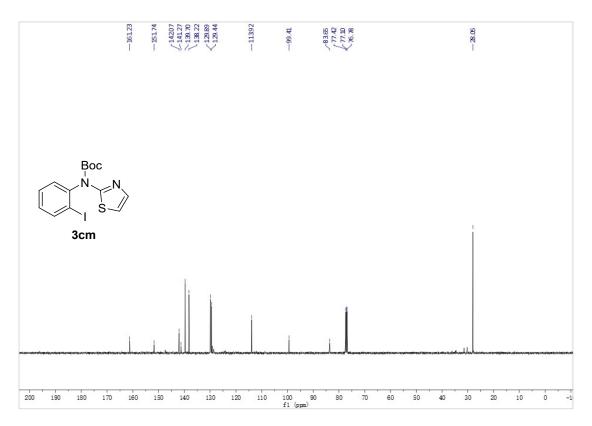


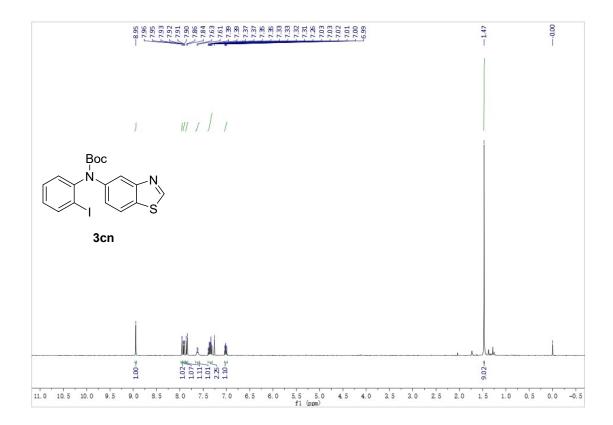


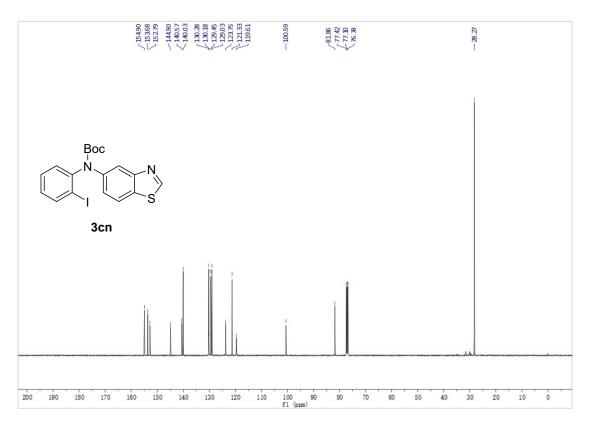


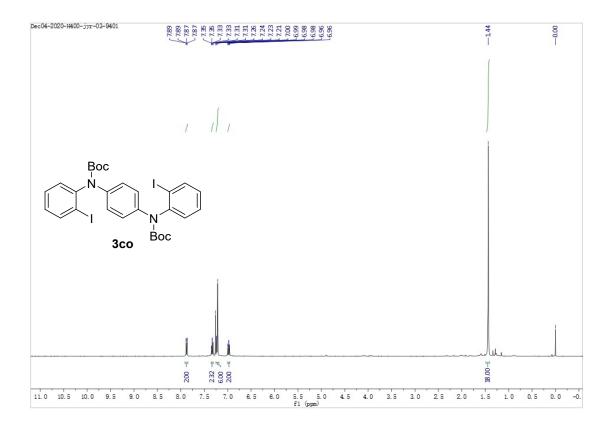


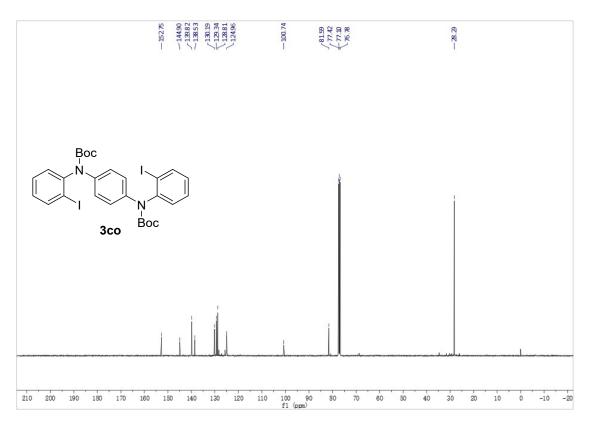


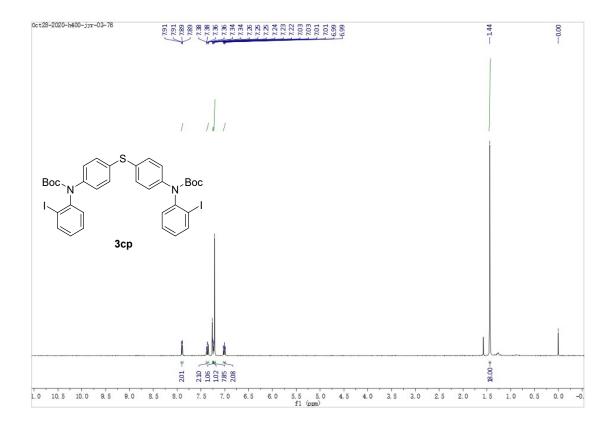


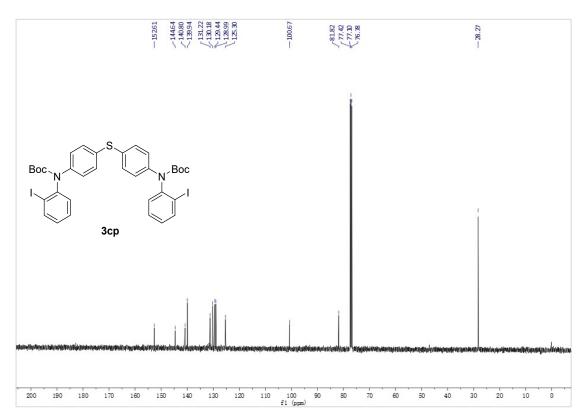


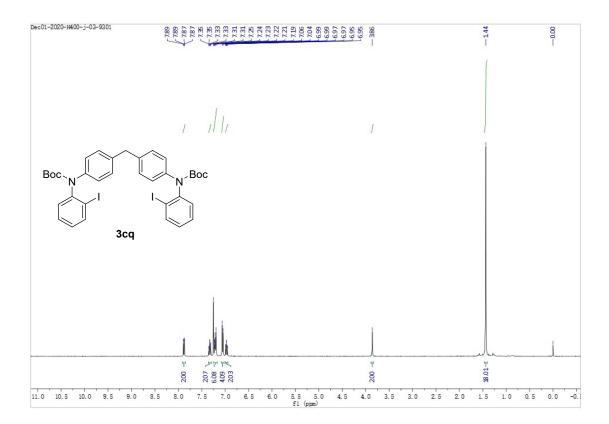


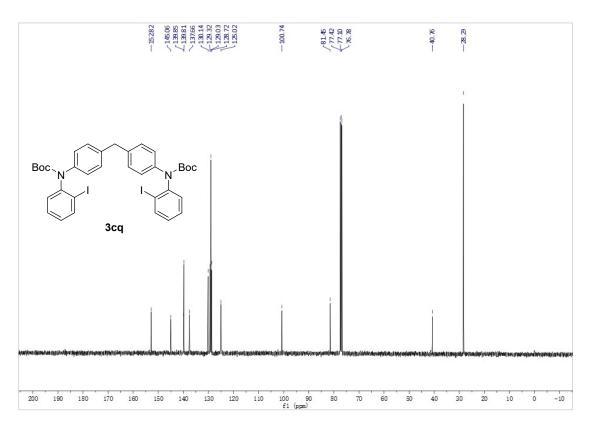


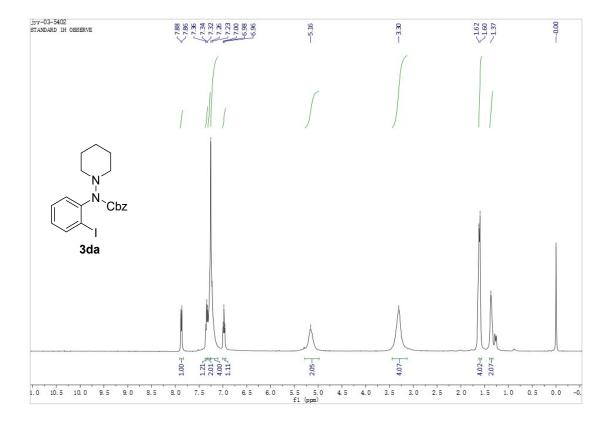


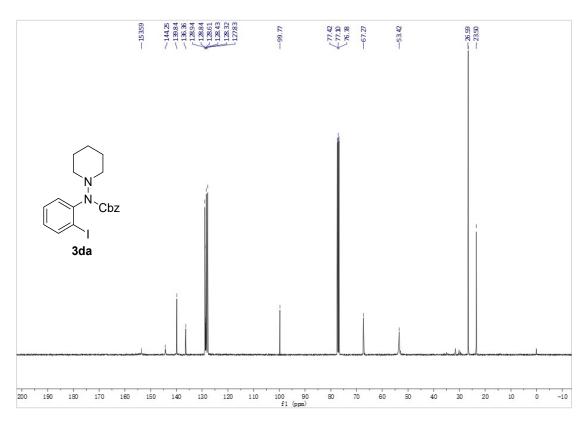


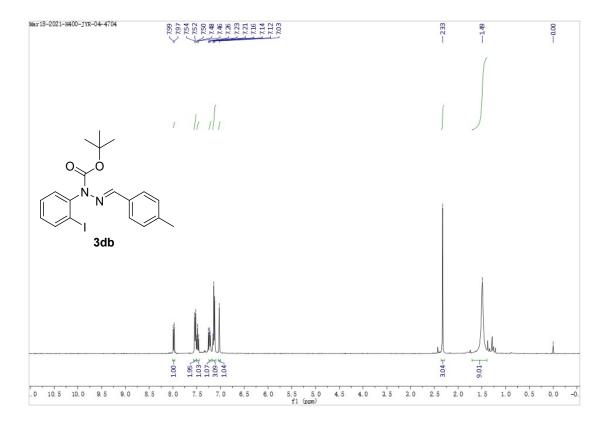


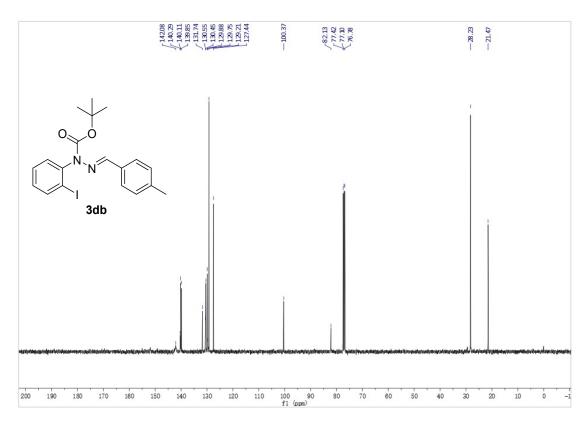


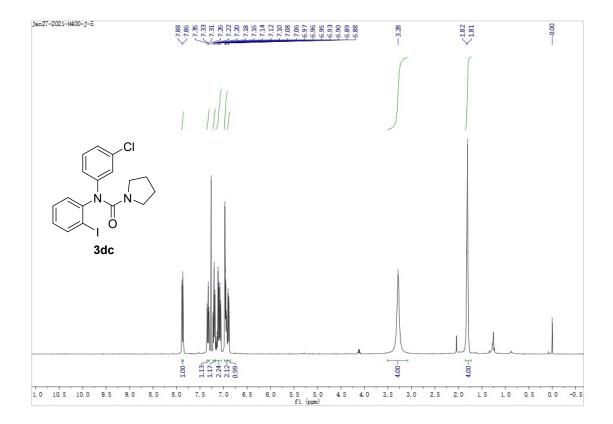


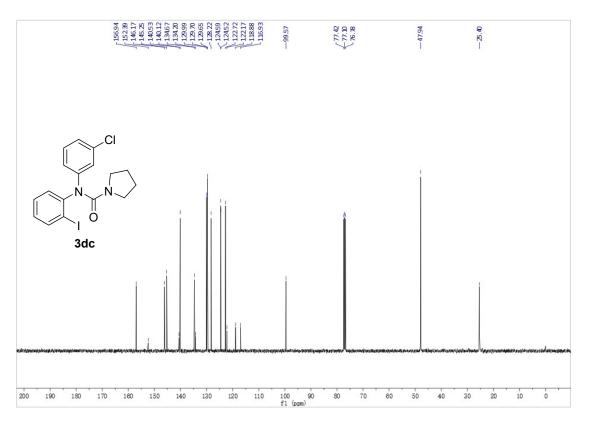


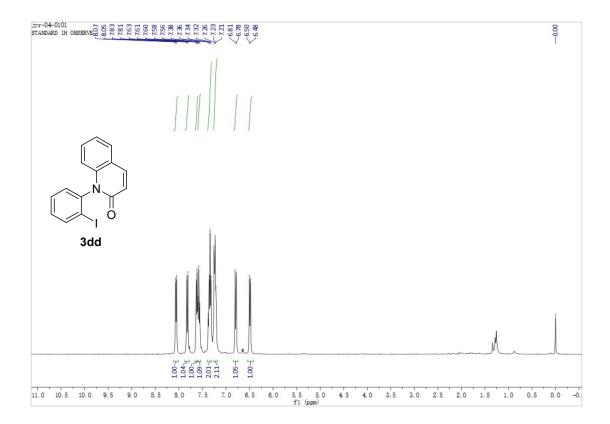


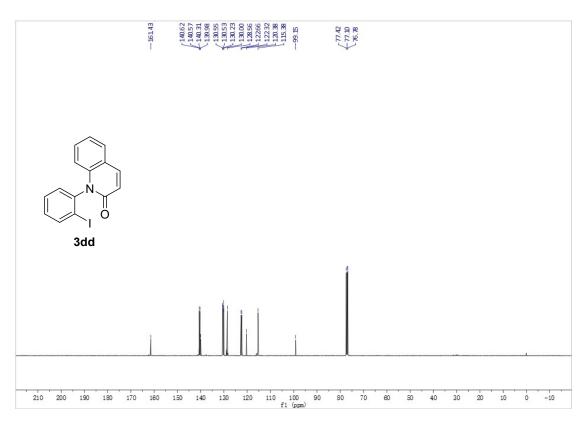


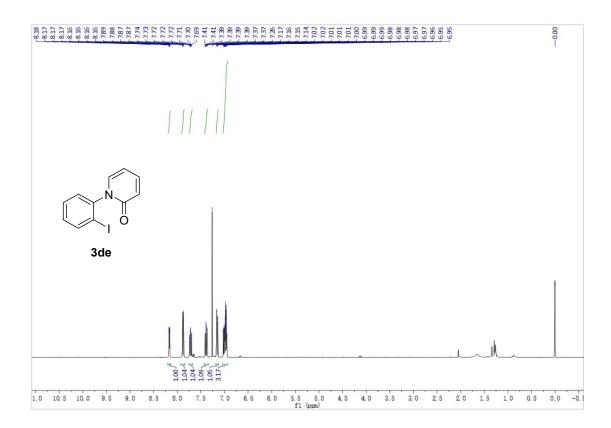


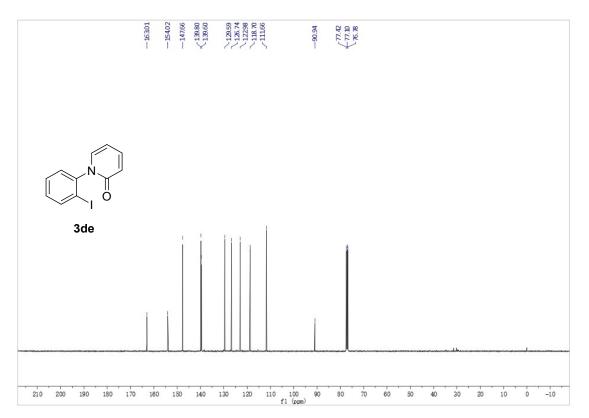


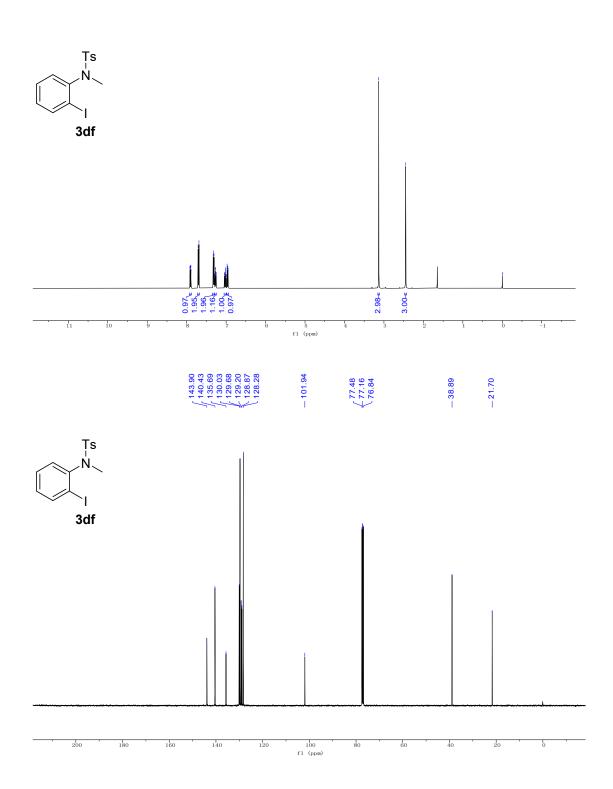




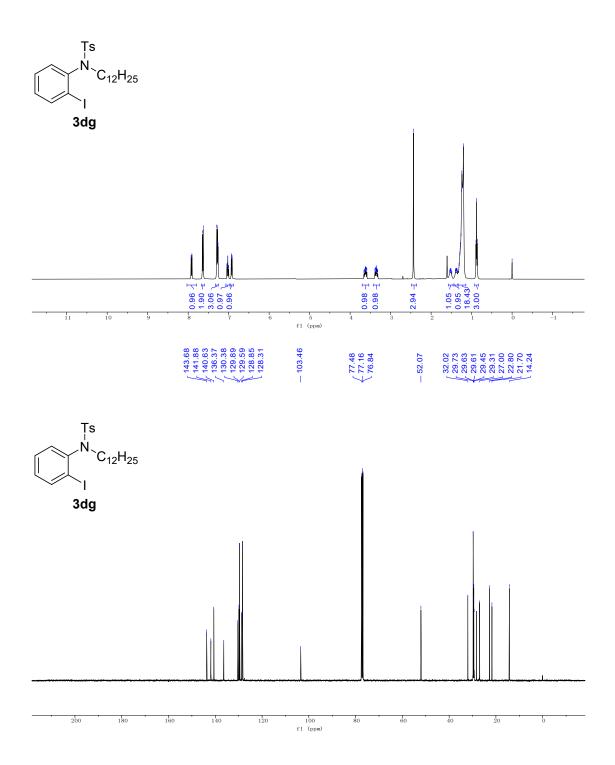


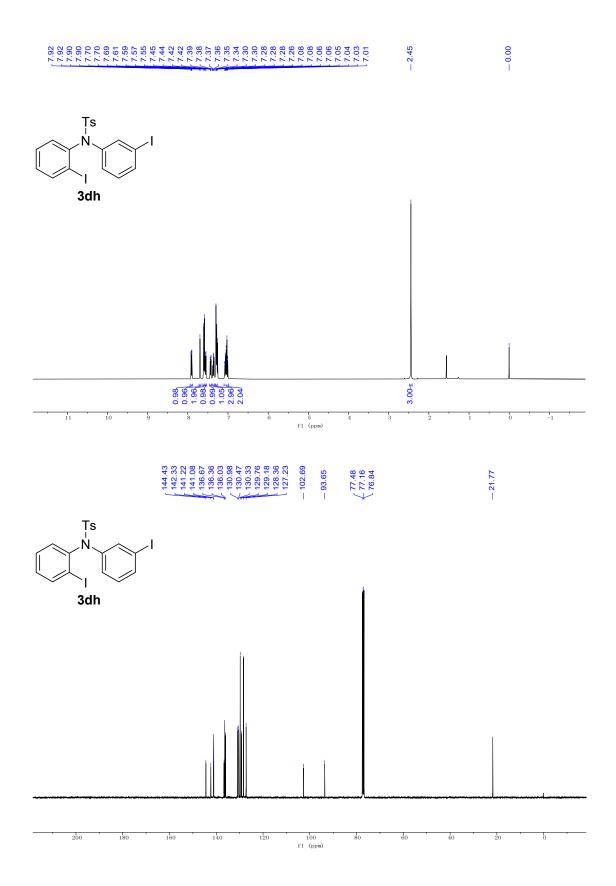


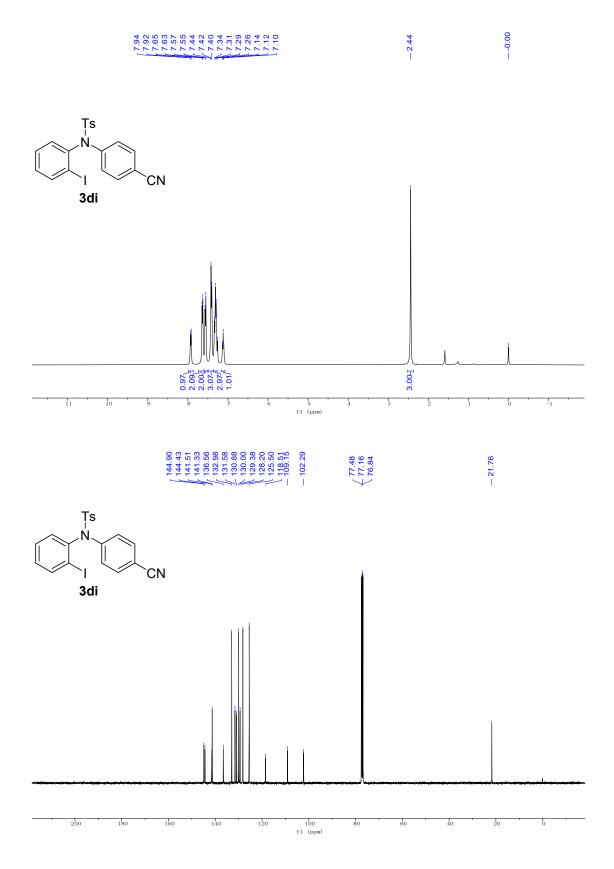


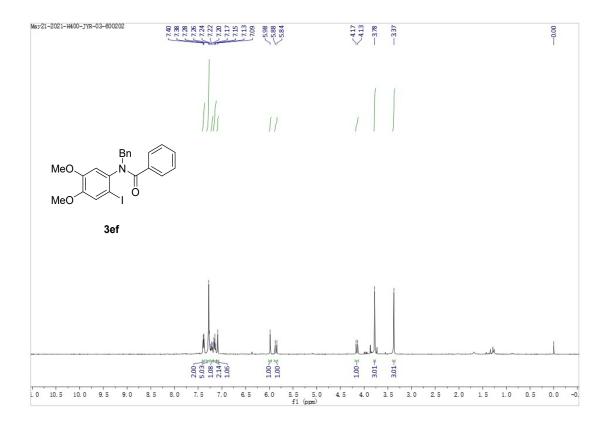


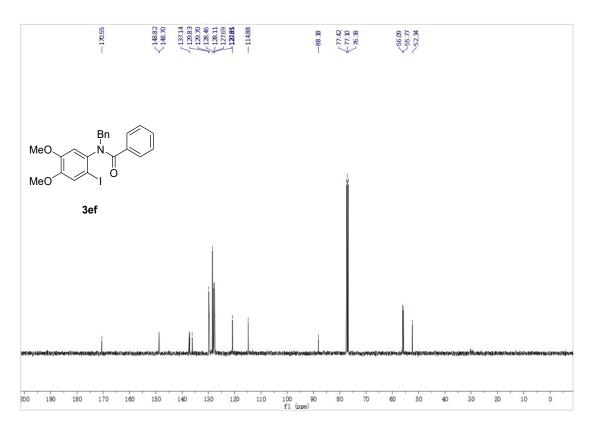
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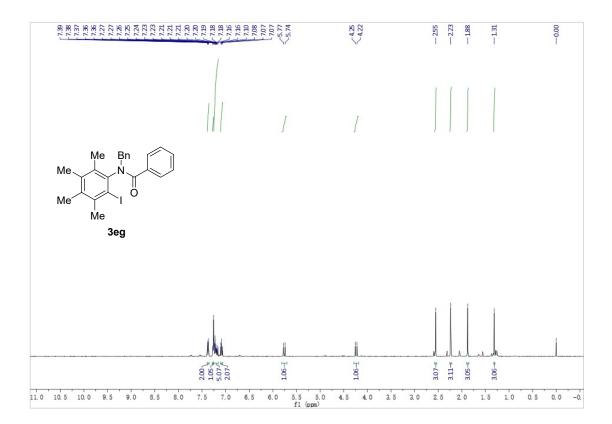


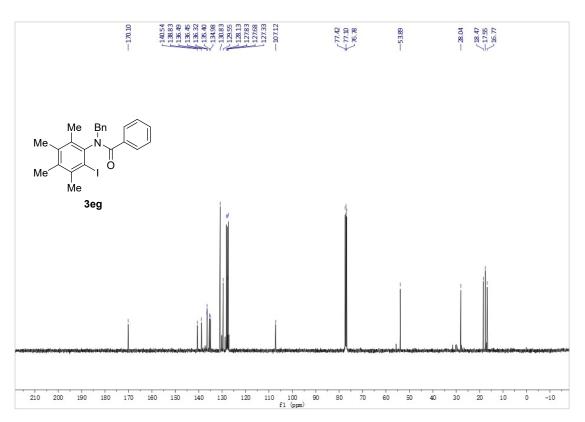


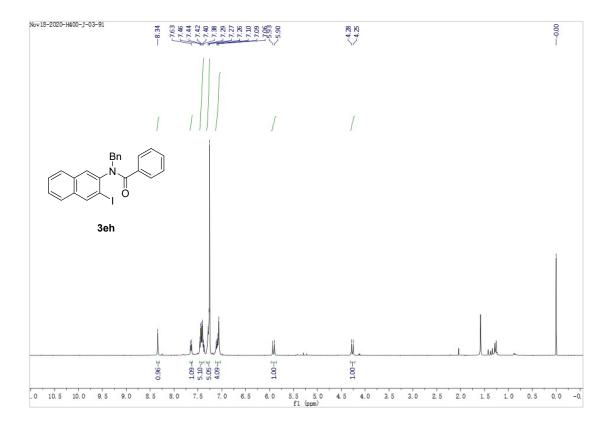


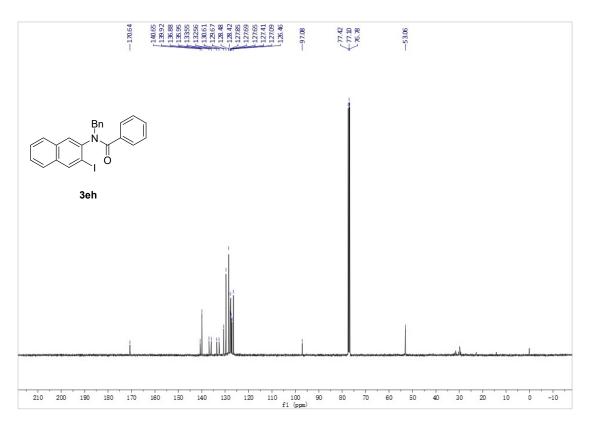


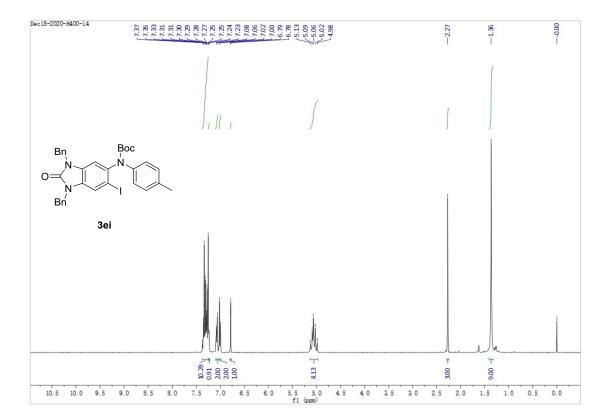


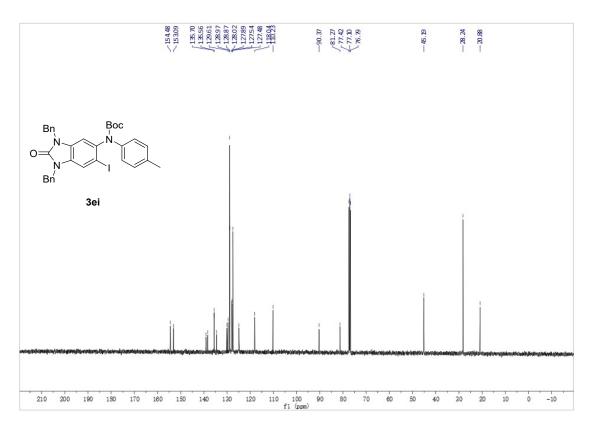


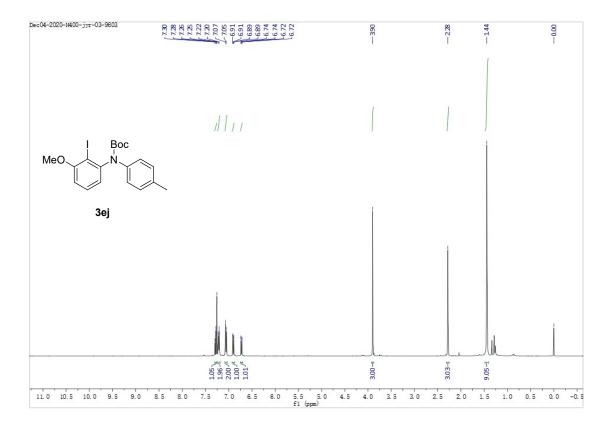


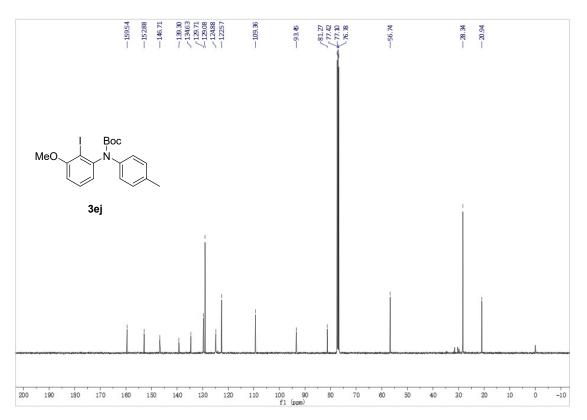


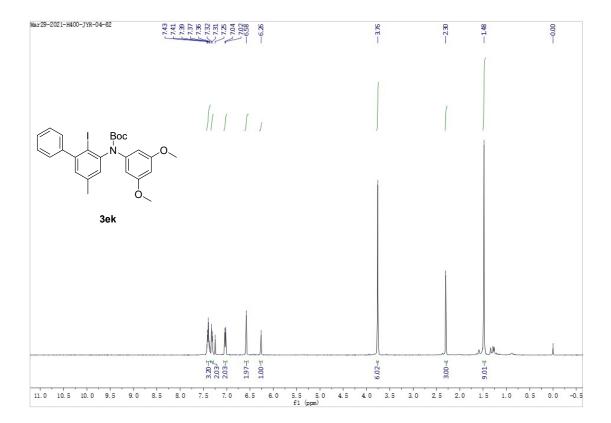


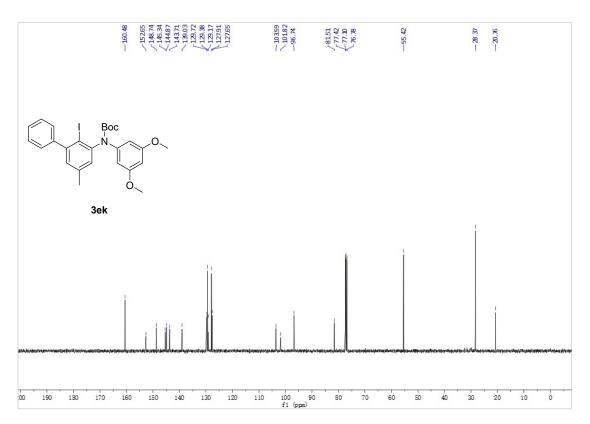


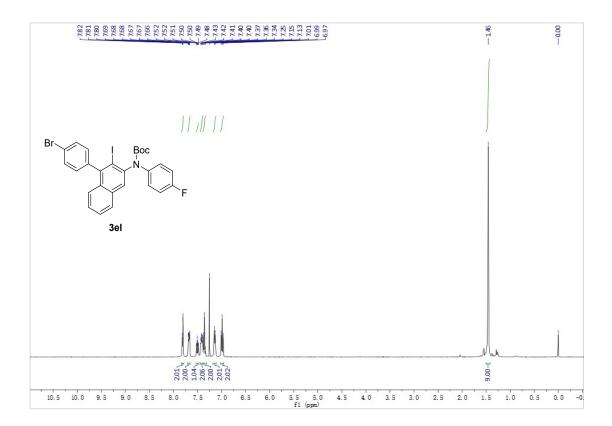


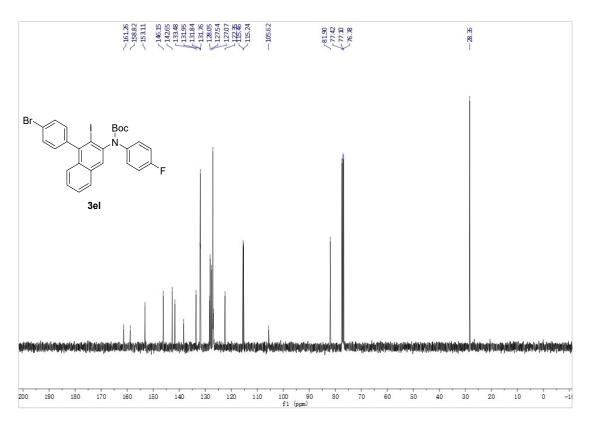


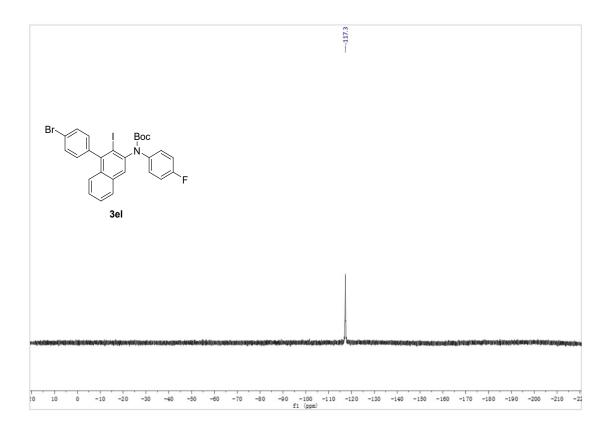


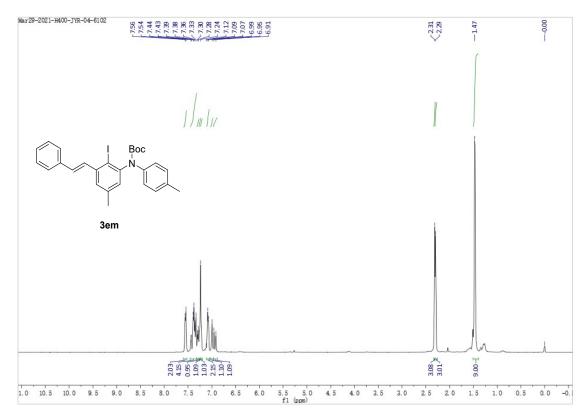


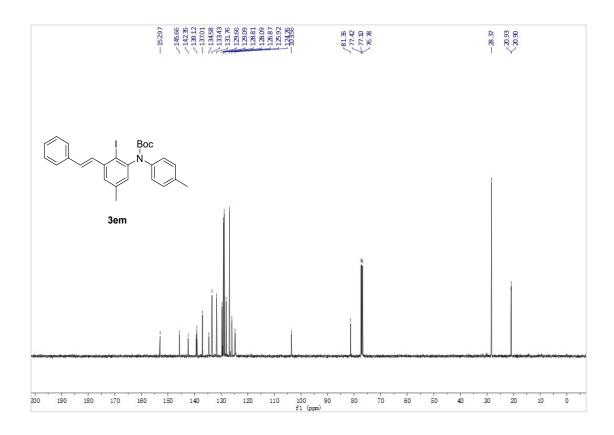


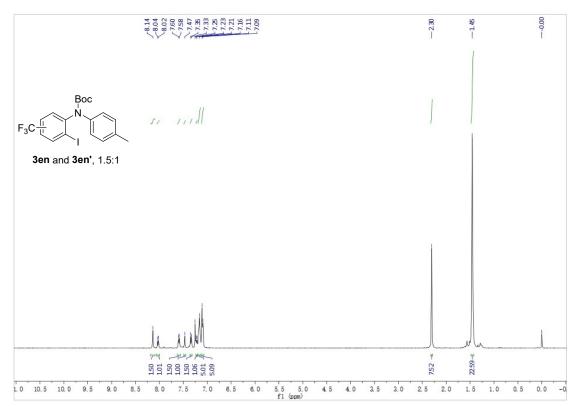


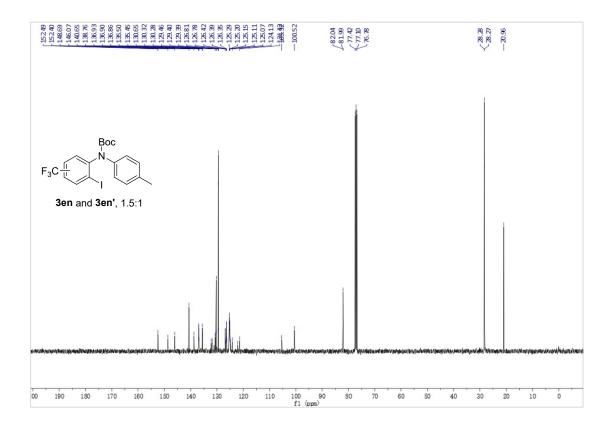


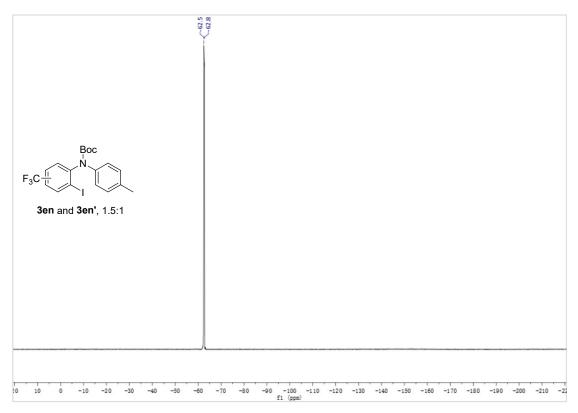


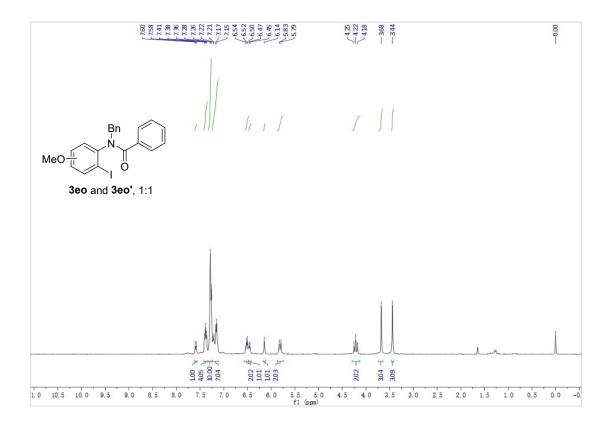


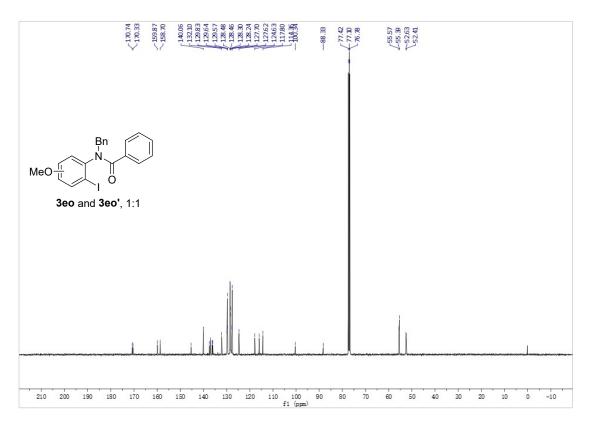


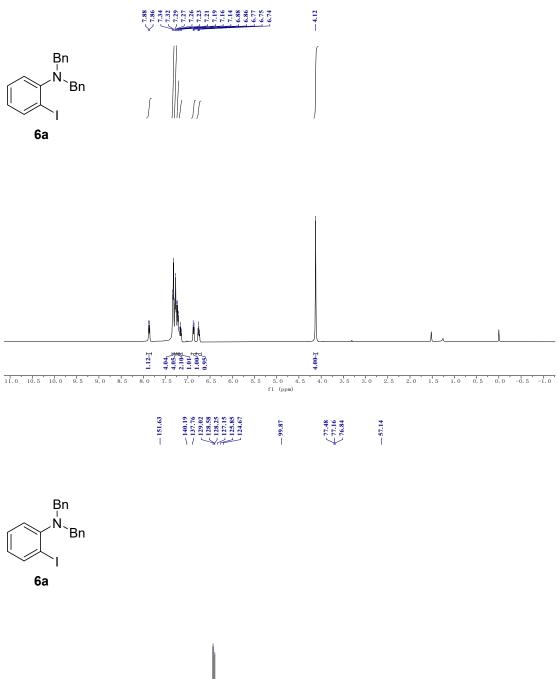






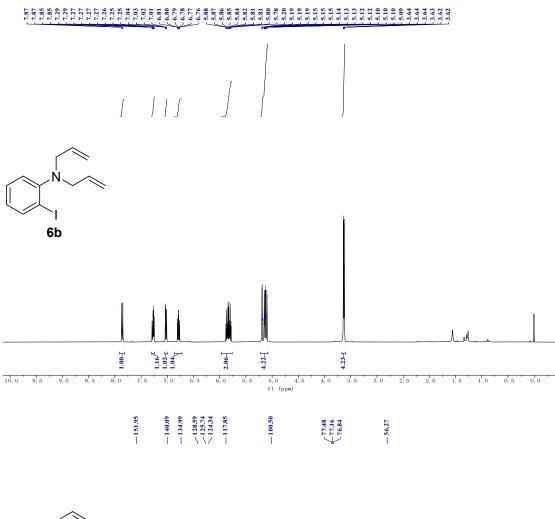


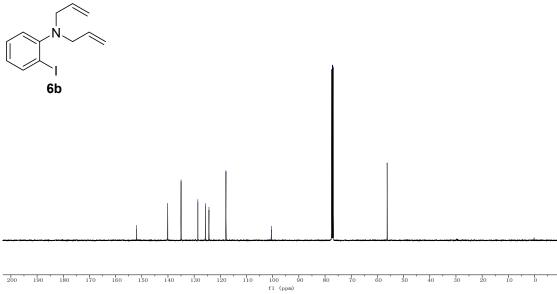


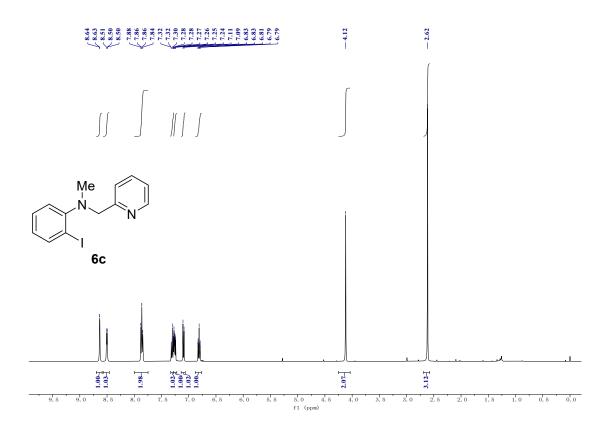




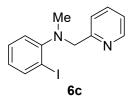
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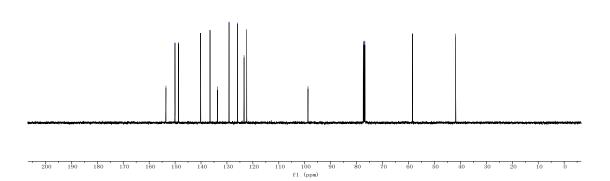


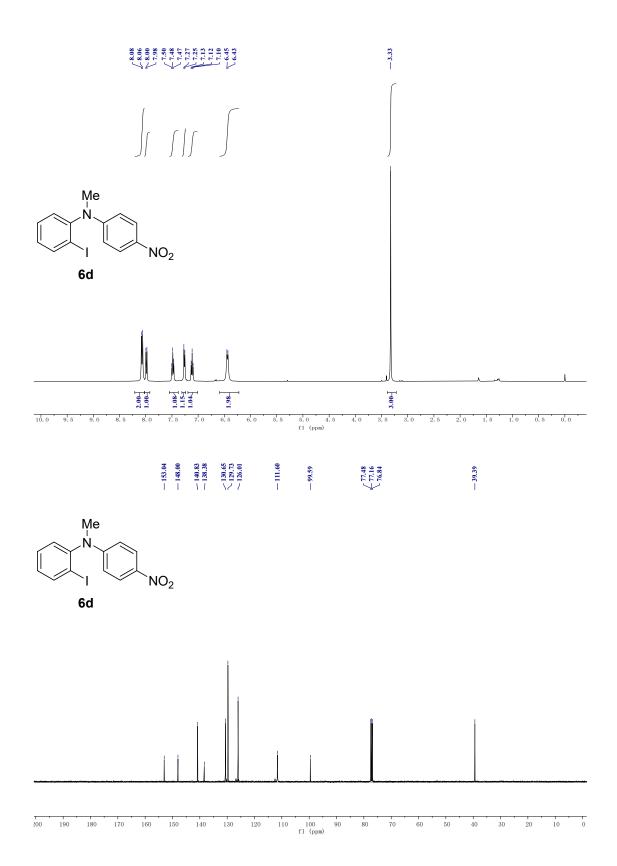


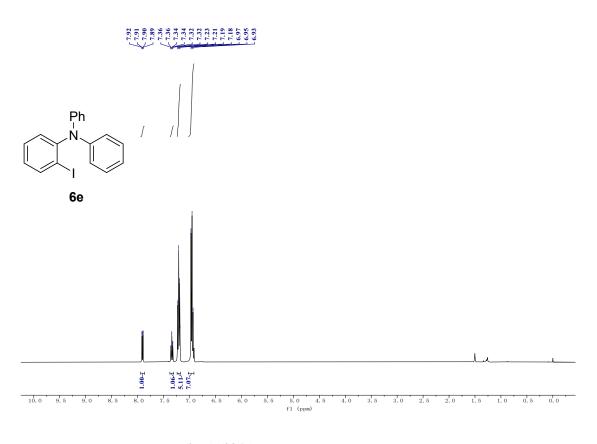




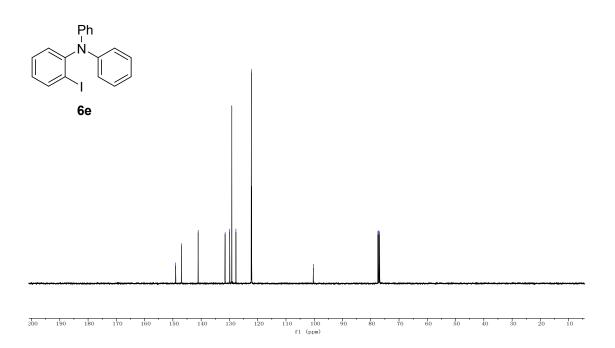


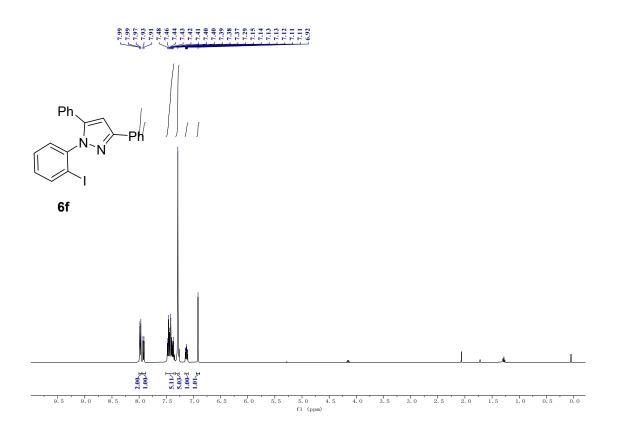




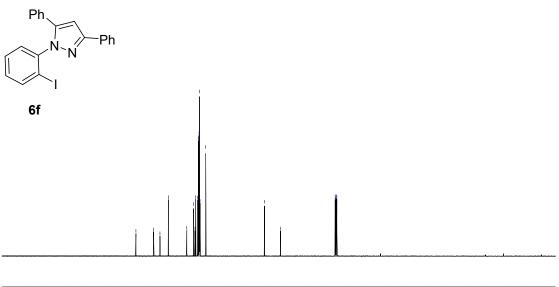


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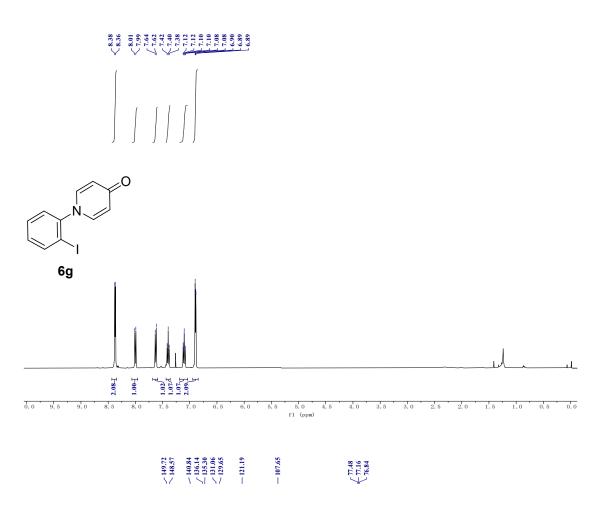


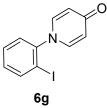


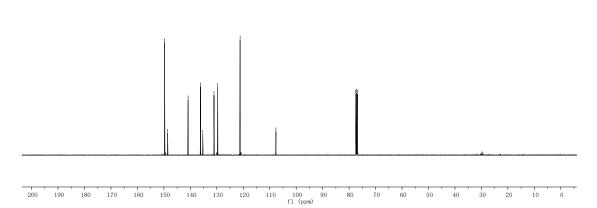
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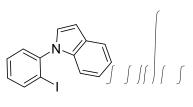
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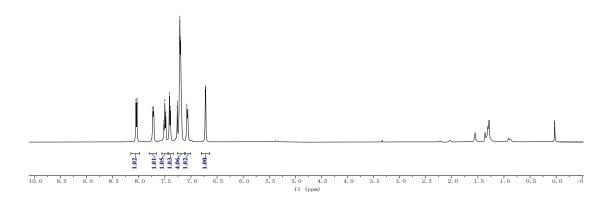




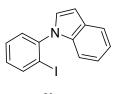




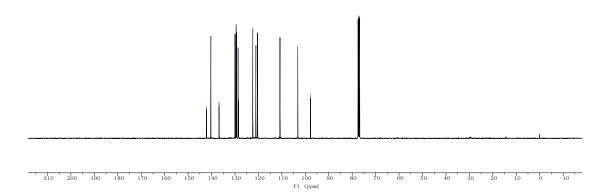


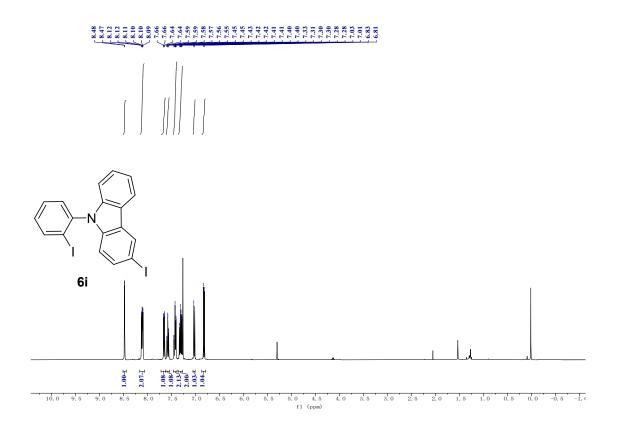


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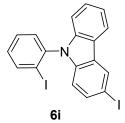


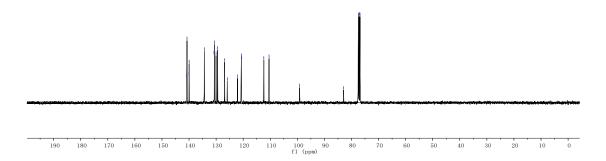


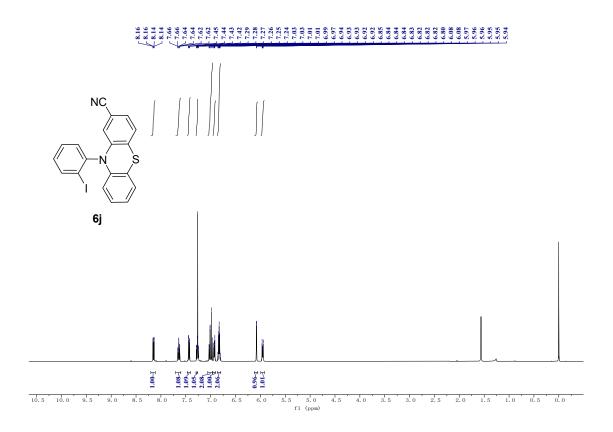




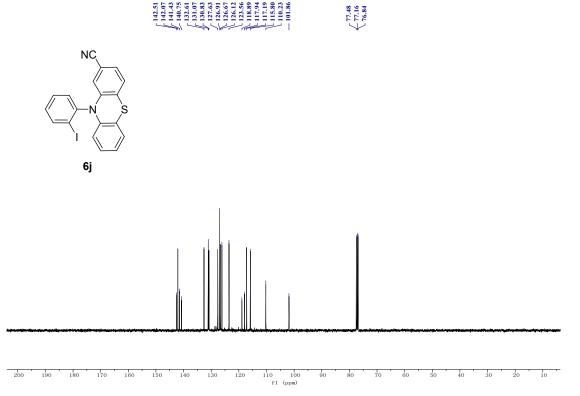
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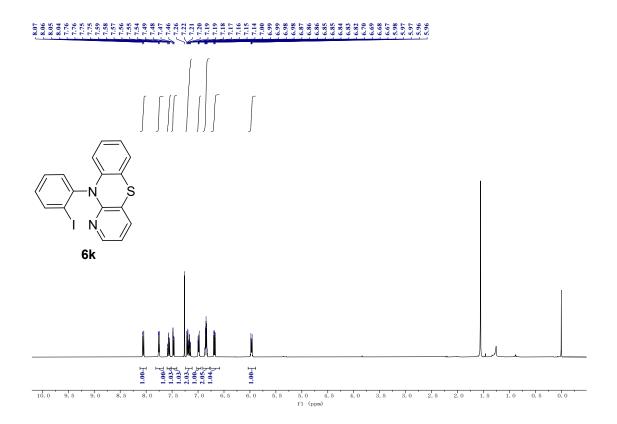




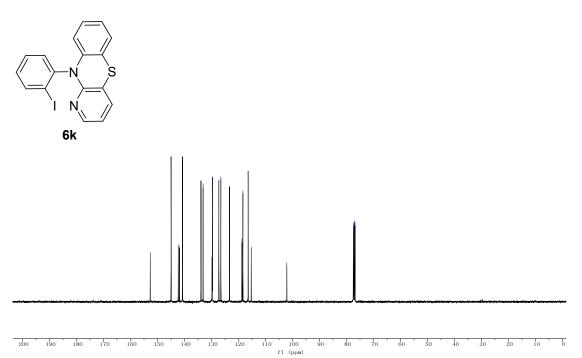


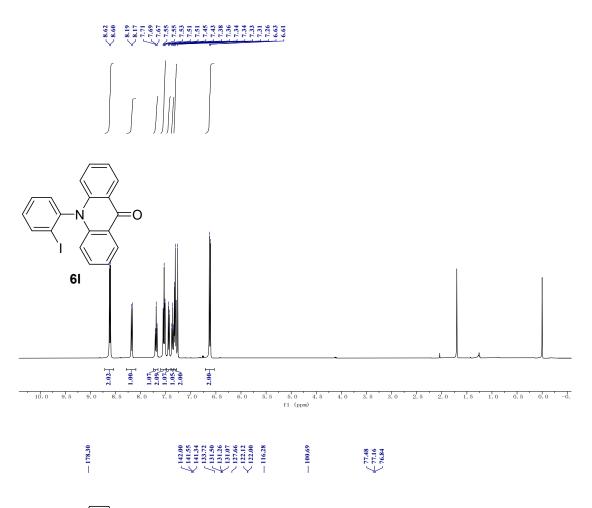
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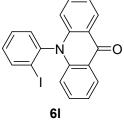


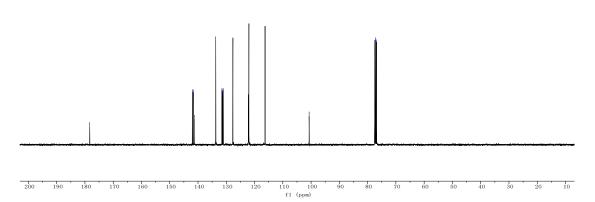


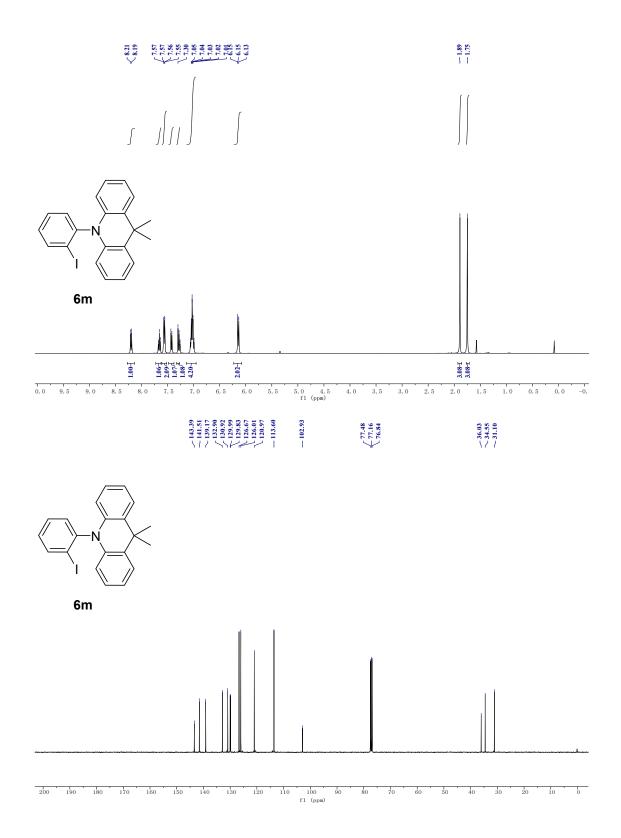
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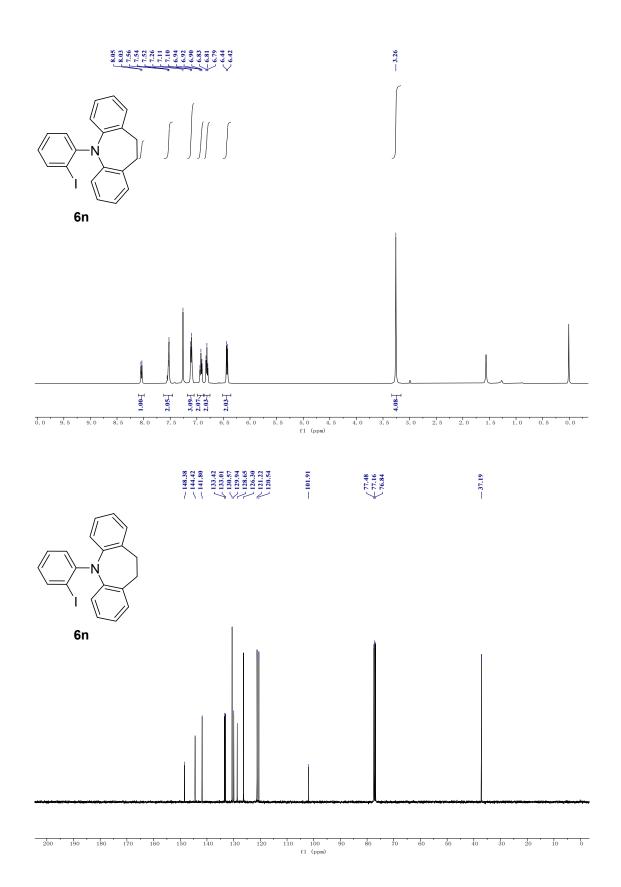


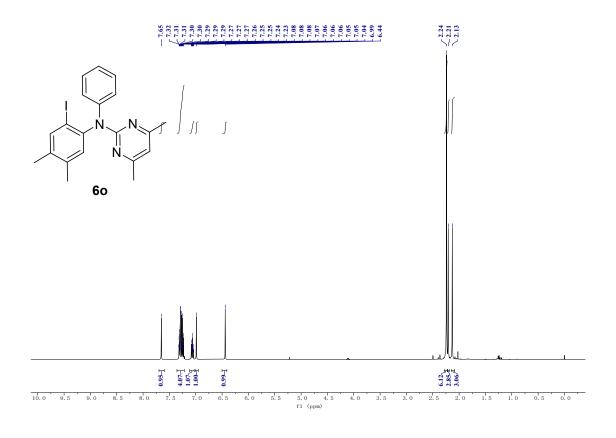




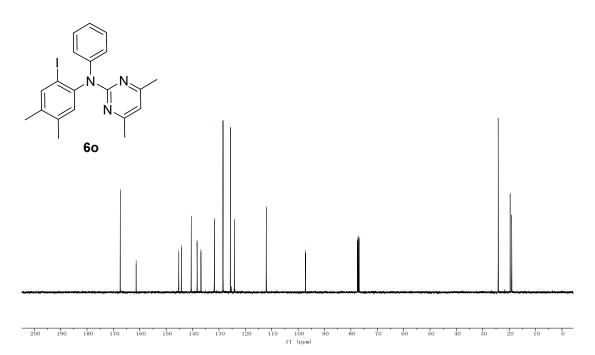


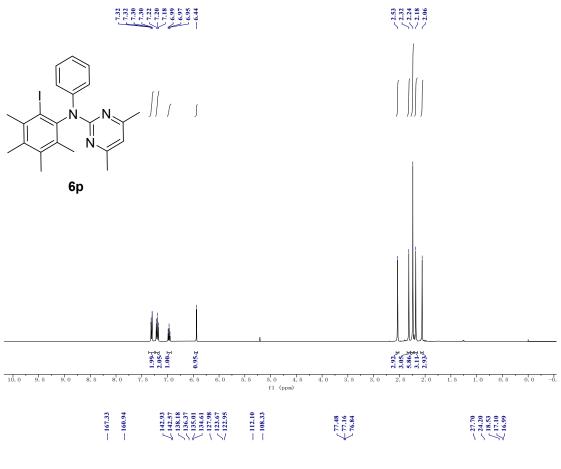


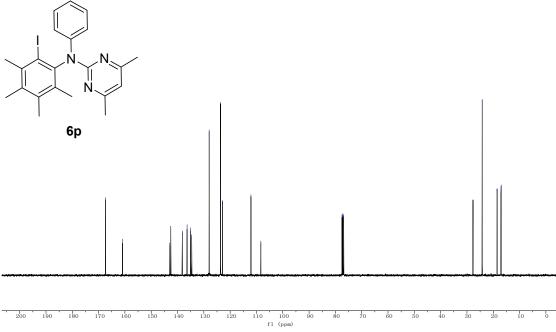


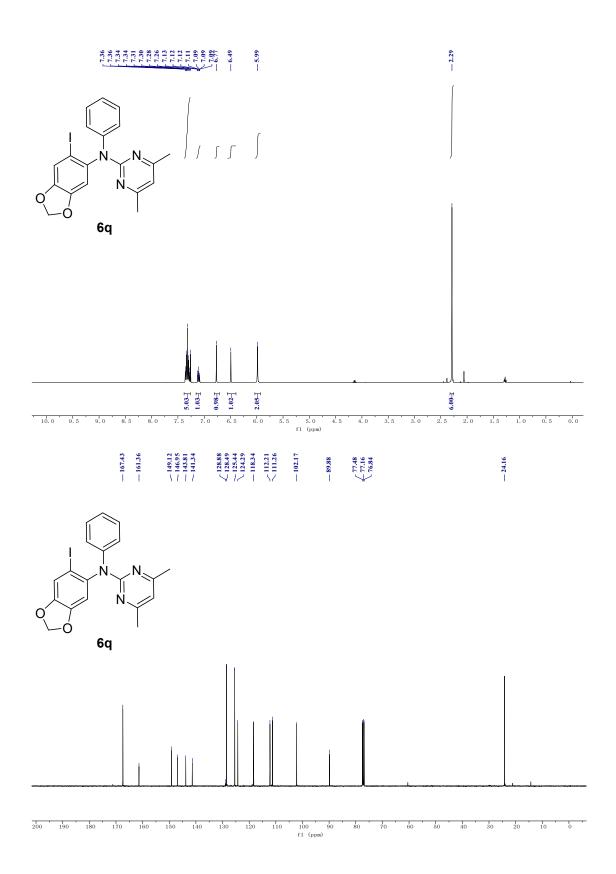












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