

Supporting Information for

Fragile Intermediate Identification and Reactivity Elucidation in

Electrochemical Oxidative α -C(sp³)-H Functionalization of Tertiary Amines

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1. Experimental methods

1.1 Fabrication of the bipolar ultramicroelectrode (BPE) onto a nanopipette

The method for the fabrication of the BPE was adopted from a previous study¹ and is only briefly introduced here. A bare nanopipette was made from a quartz capillary (QF100-50-10, Sutter Instrument) using a laser-based P-2000 pipette puller (Sutter Instrument Co., Novato, CA, USA). The resulting nanopipette had an opening of ~500 nm. Method for depositing a thin layer of carbon into the nanopipette is based on the pyrolysis of butane. In brief, butane gas passes (~30 kPa) through the nanopipette from its rear end and heated by a butane fire under a nitrogen atmosphere by inserting the nanopipette into a thicker quartz tube (O.D. 3.0 mm and I.D. 1.5 mm) fed with ~5 kPa N₂. Typically, a pyrolysis time of 10 s is enough for depositing sufficient carbon into the tip, and the carbon film was measured to be around 150 nm thick.

1.2 Mass spectrometry

All the mass spectrometry experiments were carried out in the atmosphere. Mass spectra were acquired using an LTQ-XL mass spectrometer (Thermo-Fisher, Waltham, MA). The inlet capillary temperature of the mass spectrometer was maintained at 275 °C. The tube lens voltage on the LTQ-XL was set to be 0 V to avoid in-source fragmentation of the fragile radicals. The applied positive voltage was set to be 650-700 V in this study to trigger both the electrospray and oxidation reactions. Solutions of 1-phenylpyrrolidine (10 μM), mixture of 1-phenylpyrrolidine (10 μM) and phenyl *trans*-styryl sulfone (50 μM), tri-*n*-propylamine (50 μM), and mixture of tri-*n*-propylamine (50 μM) and phenyl *trans*-styryl sulfone (50 μM) filled in the BPE nanopipette were sprayed for mass analysis.

1.3 General procedure for electrochemical experiments

All glasswares were oven dried at 110 °C for hours and cooled down under vacuum. Vinyl sulfones were prepared according to reported procedures.² Unless otherwise noted, materials were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. The instrument for electrochemical reaction is dual display potentiostat (DJS-292B) (Shanghai Xinrui Instruments & Meters Co., Ltd., China). Cyclic voltammograms were obtained on a CorrTest® CS2350H

bipotentiostat. The anode electrode is carbon felt electrode (15 mm × 10 mm × 3 mm) and the cathode electrode is platinum plate electrode (15 mm × 15 mm × 0.3 mm). Thin layer chromatography (TLC) employed glass 0.25 mm silica gel plates. Flash chromatography columns were packed with 200-300 mesh silica gel in petroleum (bp.60-90°C). ¹H and ¹³C NMR data were recorded with Bruker Advance III (400 MHz) spectrometers with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. All chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm and coupling constants (*J*) in Hz. All chemical shifts were reported relative to tetramethylsilane (0 ppm for ¹H), CDCl₃ (77.16 ppm for ¹³C), respectively. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured with Thermo Orbitrap Elite, accurate masses were reported for the molecular ion + proton (M+H)⁺.

The synthesis of **3ca** is representative for the synthesis of allylic alkylamines: In an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (6 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with carbon felt anode (15 mm × 10 mm × 3 mm) and platinum plate cathode (15 mm × 15 mm × 0.3 mm). Tributylamine (**1c**, 0.9 mmol, 3 equiv.), phenyl *trans*-styryl sulfone (**2a**, 0.3 mmol, 1 equiv.), ⁿBu₄NBF₄ (0.6 mmol, 2 equiv.) in acetonitrile (MeCN, 6 mL) and H₂O (0.5 mL) were stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 6 mA under nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature for 3 h. After completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was extracted with DCM for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and evaporated in vacuum. The pure product was obtained by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (250/5/3).

The synthesis of **3ra** is representative for the synthesis of allylic arylamines: In an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (6 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with carbon felt anode (15 mm × 10 mm × 3 mm) and platinum plate cathode (15 mm × 15 mm × 0.3 mm). 1-Phenylpyrrolidine (**1r**, 0.6 mmol, 2 equiv.), phenyl *trans*-styryl sulfone (**2a**, 0.3 mmol, 1 equiv.), CsOAc (0.9 mmol, 3 equiv.), ⁿBu₄NBF₄ (0.6 mmol, 2 equiv.) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF, 6 mL) and H₂O (0.5 mL) were stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 6 mA under nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature for 3 h. After completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was extracted with DCM for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and evaporated in vacuum. Purification by removal of excess 1-phenylpyrrolidine by heating to 120

°C under vacuum. The pure product was obtained by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (250/1/1).

1.4 Optimization of reaction conditions

Table S1. Optimization of reaction conditions.

Entry	Variation from the standard conditions	Yield [%] ^b
1	None	74 ^a
2	No H ₂ O	21
3	THF (6 mL), H ₂ O (0.5 mL)	50
4	Nickel plate instead of platinum plate	70
5	Carbon felt instead of platinum plate	41
6	^t Bu ₄ NPF ₆ instead of ^t Bu ₄ NBF ₄	63
7	2.0 equiv. 1c	54
8	10 mA, 1.8 h	68
9	6 mA, 3.5 h	70
10	Under air atmosphere	52
11	No electricity	n.d.

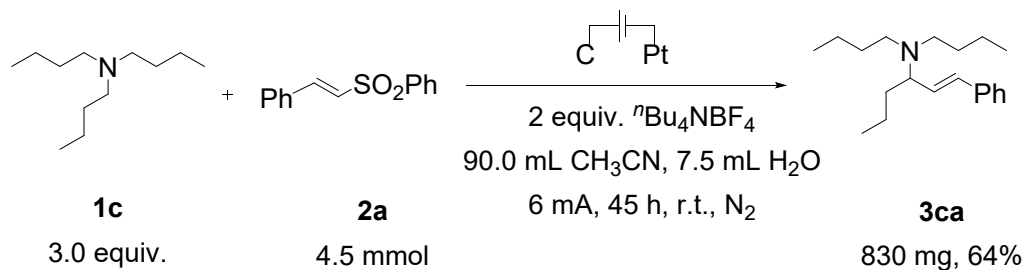
Standard conditions: Carbon felt anode (15 mm × 10 mm × 3 mm), platinum plate cathode (15 mm × 15 mm × 0.3 mm), constant current = 6 mA, **1c** (0.9 mmol, 3.0 equiv. based on **2a**), **2a** (0.3 mmol), ^tBu₄NBF₄ (2 equiv. based on **2a**), CH₃CN (6.0 mL), H₂O (0.5 mL), room temperature, N₂ atmosphere, 3 h, undivided cell. ^aIsolated yields were shown. ^bYields were determined by ¹H NMR, calibrated using CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

1.5 Cyclic voltammetry (CV) measurements

Cyclic voltammetry measurements were performed in a three-electrode cell connected to a Schlenk line under air atmosphere at room temperature. The working electrode was a glass carbon electrode, the counter electrode was a platinum wire. The reference was an Ag/AgCl electrode submerged in saturated aqueous KCl solution, and separated from reaction by a salt bridge. Commercially available MeCN (6 mL) containing ^tBu₄NBF₄ (0.1 M) was poured into the electrochemical cell in

all experiments. The concentration of substrates is 0.01 M. The scan rate is 0.1 V/s.

1.6 Scale-up experiments



In an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (100 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with carbon felt anode (15 mm $\times$ 10 mm $\times$ 3 mm) and platinum plate cathode (15 mm $\times$ 15 mm $\times$ 0.3 mm). Tributylamine (**1c**, 13.5 mmol, 3 equiv.), phenyl *trans*-styryl sulfone (**2a**, 4.5 mmol, 1 equiv.), $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NBF}_4$ (9 mmol, 2 equiv.) in acetonitrile (MeCN, 90 mL) and H_2O (7.5 mL) were stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 6 mA under nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature for 45 h. After completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was extracted with DCM for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and evaporated in vacuum. The pure product (830 mg, 64%) was obtained by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/ Et_3N (250/5/3).

2. Supporting experimental results

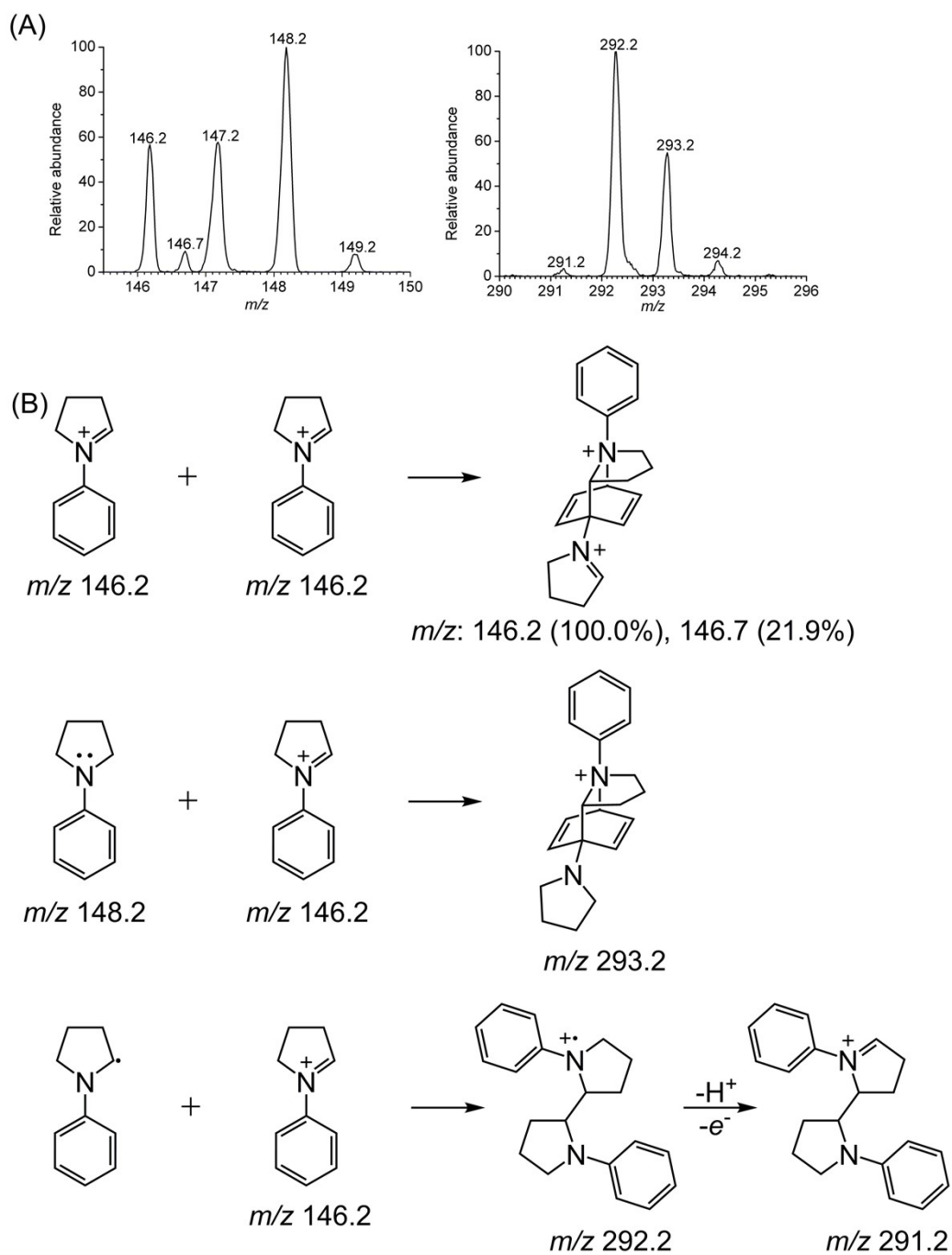
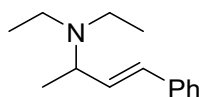
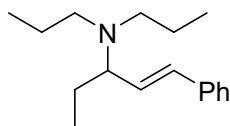


Figure S1. (A) Typical mass spectra showing the dimerization of the reactive species generated from 1-phenylpyrrolidine; (B) Possible structures accountable for the mass peaks from the dimerization.

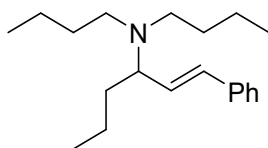
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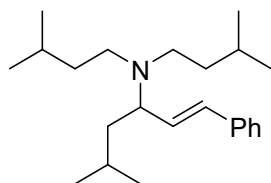
(E)-N, N-diethyl-4-phenylbut-3-en-2-amine (3aa): isolated yield (54%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.27 – 6.20 (m, 1H), 3.45 – 3.42 (m, 1H), 2.68 – 2.51 (m, 4H), 1.22 (dd, $J = 6.7, 1.7$ Hz, 3H), 1.05 (td, $J = 7.1, 1.7$ Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.46, 133.37, 130.05, 128.64, 127.28, 126.31, 57.56, 43.53, 17.49, 13.12. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 204.1747; found: 204.1743.



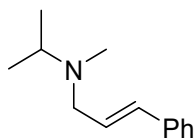
(E)-1-phenyl-N, N-dipropylpent-1-en-3-amine (3ba): isolated yield (55%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 6.39 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dd, $J = 15.9, 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.06 – 3.00 (m, 1H), 2.53 – 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.39 – 2.32 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.62 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.36 (m, 5H), 0.93 – 0.85 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.58, 131.75, 130.31, 128.62, 127.21, 126.32, 65.17, 52.83, 25.85, 21.96, 12.08, 11.59. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 246.2216; found: 246.2213.



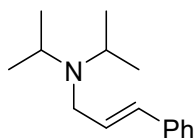
(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-phenylhex-1-en-3-amine (3ca): isolated yield (74%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 6.38 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dd, $J = 15.9, 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.18 – 3.13 (m, 1H), 2.58 – 2.51 (m, 2H), 2.43 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.70 – 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.52 – 1.22 (m, 11H), 0.93 – 0.89 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.60, 131.65, 130.48, 128.63, 127.21, 126.33, 62.93, 50.49, 35.26, 31.16, 20.81, 20.13, 14.33, 14.30. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 288.2686; found: 288.2679.



(E)-N, N-diisopentyl-5-methyl-1-phenylhex-1-en-3-amine (3da): ^1H NMR yield (80%), calibrated using CH_2Br_2 as the internal standard. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 6.39 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.12 (dd, $J = 15.9, 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.28 – 3.33 (m, 1H), 2.63 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.37 – 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.62 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.53 – 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.42 – 1.28 (m, 5H), 0.96 – 0.82 (m, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.59, 131.65, 130.43, 128.64, 127.24, 126.35, 60.63, 48.70, 42.16, 38.06, 26.44, 24.91, 23.38, 23.24, 22.76, 22.67. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 330.3155; found: 330.3148.

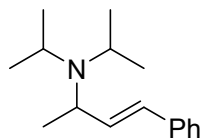


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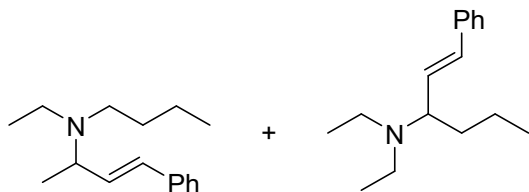


(E)-N, N-diisopropyl-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-amine (3fa): isolated yield (35%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.50 (dt, $J = 15.9, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.24 (dt, $J = 15.8, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.28 (dd, $J = 6.2, 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.14 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 1.04 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 12H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.74, 131.98, 130.10, 128.60, 127.07,

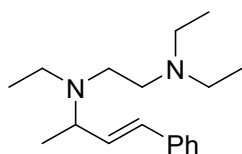
126.27, 48.41, 47.79, 20.85. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{15}H_{24}N^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 218.1903; found: 218.1896.



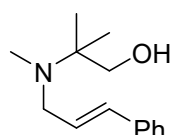
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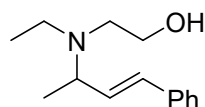
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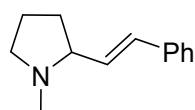
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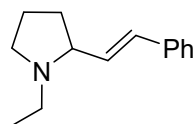
2-(Cinnamyl(methyl)amino)-2-methylpropan-1-ol (3ja): isolated yield (43%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (dt, *J* = 15.9, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (s, 2H), 3.19 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.17, 131.82, 128.94, 128.68, 127.50, 126.36, 68.40, 57.74, 52.64, 34.28, 20.87. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₄H₂₂NO⁺ (M+H)⁺: 220.1696; found: 220.1690.



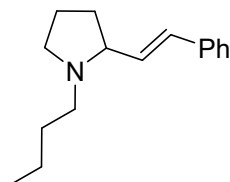
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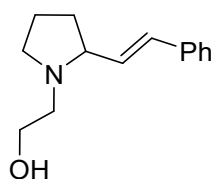
(*E*)-1-methyl-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3la)³: isolated yield (68%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (td, *J* = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (q, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.22 (q, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.06 – 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.94 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.82 – 1.68 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.13, 132.12, 131.84, 128.67, 127.51, 126.43, 69.81, 56.88, 40.48, 32.28, 22.45.



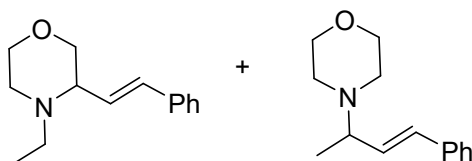
(*E*)-1-ethyl-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3ma): isolated yield (66%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (td, *J* = 8.5, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.96 – 2.77 (m, 2H), 2.19 – 1.95 (m, 3H), 1.95 – 1.66 (m, 3H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.15, 132.42, 131.73, 128.66, 127.47, 126.41, 68.67, 53.13, 48.26, 31.92, 22.22, 13.83. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₄H₂₀N⁺ (M+H)⁺: 202.1590; found: 202.1584.



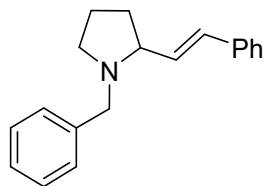
(*E*)-1-butyl-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3na)⁴: isolated yield (65%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (td, *J* = 8.6, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.87 – 2.79 (m, 2H), 2.16 (q, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.10 – 1.69 (m, 5H), 1.57 – 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.27 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.30, 132.86, 131.45, 128.67, 127.41, 126.42, 68.86, 54.50, 53.77, 31.93, 31.16, 22.39, 21.03, 14.22.



(E)-2-(2-styrylpyrrolidin-1-yl)ethan-1-ol (30a): isolated yield (55%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 6.48 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.05 (dd, J = 15.8, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.70 – 3.54 (m, 2H), 3.24 (td, J = 8.5, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.06 – 2.93 (m, 2H), 2.72 (s, 1H), 2.30 (dt, J = 12.4, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.26 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 2.05 – 2.97 (m, 1H), 1.92 – 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.63 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 136.93, 132.08, 131.93, 128.60, 127.52, 126.41, 68.39, 59.96, 55.47, 53.34, 31.90, 22.50. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 218.1539; found: 218.1533.

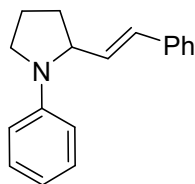


(E)-4-(4-phenylbut-3-en-2-yl)morpholine + (E)-4-ethyl-3-styrylmorpholine (3pa): ^1H NMR yield (33%, 3:1), calibrated using CH_2Br_2 as the internal standard. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.73H), 6.47 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 0.21H), 6.17 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.2 Hz, 0.23H), 6.05 (dd, J = 16.0, 8.8 Hz, 0.72H), 3.92 – 3.87 (m, 0.79H), 3.78 – 3.70 (m, 2H), 3.48 – 3.43 (m, 0.77H), 3.06 – 2.97 (m, 1H), 2.94 – 2.86 (m, 1.48H), 2.62 – 2.54 (m, 1H), 2.34 – 2.20 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.24 (m, 0.77H), 1.05 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2.18H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 136.63, 133.94, 131.55, 128.76, 128.72, 127.93, 127.64, 126.48, 126.41, 71.38, 67.35, 67.25, 64.77, 63.31, 50.86, 50.45, 49.11, 17.86, 11.11. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 218.1539; found: 218.1532.

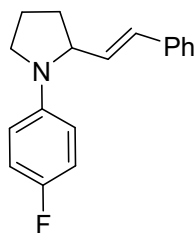


(E)-1-benzyl-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3qa): isolated yield (45%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 6.56 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (dd, J = 15.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.17 (q, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.07 – 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.87 – 1.69 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 139.51,

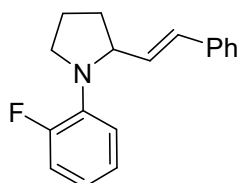
137.25, 132.72, 131.84, 129.16, 128.67, 128.27, 127.48, 126.89, 126.44, 68.03, 58.47, 53.50, 31.92, 22.27. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{19}H_{22}N^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 264.1747; found: 264.1740.



(E)-1-phenyl-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3ra)¹: isolated yield (80%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.33 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 6.67 – 6.63 (m, 3H), 6.45 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.21 (dd, $J = 15.8, 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.32 – 4.30 (m, 1H), 3.54 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (q, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.17 – 1.89 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 147.65, 137.13, 131.76, 129.55, 129.14, 128.60, 127.34, 126.46, 115.84, 112.30, 60.84, 48.85, 33.10, 23.49.

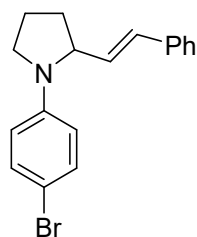


(E)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3sa)¹: isolated yield (74%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.41 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.98 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.61 – 6.49 (m, 2H), 6.43 (dd, $J = 15.8, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.19 (dd, $J = 15.8, 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 – 4.20 (m, 1H), 3.54 – 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.25 – 3.19 (m, 1H), 2.25 – 1.81 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 155.06 (d, $J = 234.3$ Hz), 144.34 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 137.03, 131.72, 129.67, 128.64, 127.43, 126.45, 115.47 (d, $J = 22.2$ Hz), 112.70 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 61.29, 49.37, 33.23, 23.60. ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -130.46.

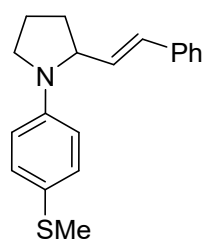


(E)-1-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3ta): isolated yield (44%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.36 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.99 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.78 – 6.73 (m, 1H), 6.67

– 6.62 (m, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.11 (dd, $J = 15.9, 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.45 (q, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.84 – 3.77 (m, 1H), 3.43 – 3.29 (m, 1H), 2.22 – 2.16 (m, 1H), 2.09 – 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.96 – 1.80 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 152.62 (d, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 137.15, 136.69 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz), 131.97, 130.19, 128.59, 127.36, 126.42, 124.28 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 117.92 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 116.80 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz), 116.26 (d, $J = 21.2$ Hz), 61.83 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 51.41 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 33.30, 23.90 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz). ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -125.14. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{FN}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 268.1496; found: 268.1488.

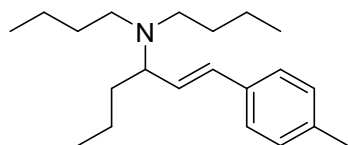


(*E*)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3ua)¹: ^1H NMR yield (70%), calibrated using CH_2Br_2 as the internal standard. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 – 7.14 (m, 7H), 6.57 – 6.46 (m, 2H), 6.39 (dd, $J = 15.9, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.17 (dd, $J = 15.9, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.24 (m, 1H), 3.53 – 3.48 (m, 1H), 3.24 (td, $J = 9.0, 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.22 – 2.15 (m, 1H), 2.11 – 1.96 (m, 2H), 1.94 – 1.88 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 146.49, 136.90, 131.73, 131.00, 129.86, 128.66, 127.51, 126.47, 113.94, 107.70, 60.89, 48.92, 33.12, 23.47.

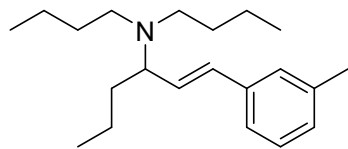


(*E*)-1-(4-(methylthio)phenyl)-2-styrylpyrrolidine (3va): ^1H NMR yield (75%), calibrated using CH_2Br_2 as the internal standard.. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.39 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 6.64 – 6.53 (m, 2H), 6.42 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.19 (dd, $J = 15.9, 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.29 (td, $J = 7.4, 6.9, 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (ddd, $J = 9.6, 7.3, 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (td, $J = 9.0, 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.23 – 1.88 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 146.61, 136.97, 131.96, 131.31, 129.73, 128.63, 127.44,

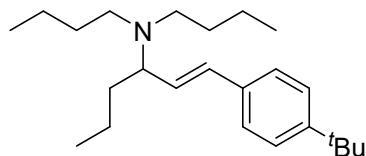
126.46, 122.33, 112.95, 60.87, 48.89, 33.09, 23.46, 19.75. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{19}H_{22}NS^+$ ($M+H$)⁺: 296.1467; found: 296.1461.



(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(p-tolyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ab): isolated yield (65%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.16 – 3.11 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.41 – 2.28 (m, 5H), 1.67 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.48 – 1.21 (m, 11H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.98, 134.79, 131.57, 129.32, 126.23, 63.00, 50.48, 35.27, 31.09, 21.27, 20.82, 20.14, 14.32, 14.29. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{21}H_{36}N^+$ ($M+H$)⁺: 302.2842; found: 302.2834.

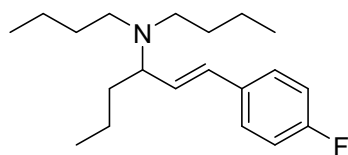


(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(m-tolyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ac): isolated yield (76%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.06 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.11 (m, 1H), 2.58 – 2.51 (m, 2H), 2.40 – 2.30 (m, 5H), 1.65 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.22 (m, 11H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.17, 137.52, 131.77, 130.18, 128.54, 128.01, 127.02, 123.50, 62.95, 50.49, 35.31, 31.16, 21.53, 20.81, 20.14, 14.32, 14.30. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{21}H_{36}N^+$ ($M+H$)⁺: 302.2842; found: 302.2834.

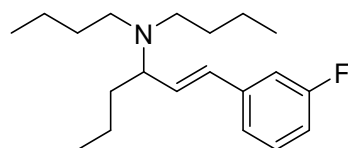


(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ad): isolated yield (54%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 6.42 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.22 – 3.17 (m, 1H), 2.67 – 2.52 (m, 2H), 2.43 – 2.37 (m, 2H), 1.78 – 1.60 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.25 (m, 20H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.32, 134.80, 131.47, 129.58,

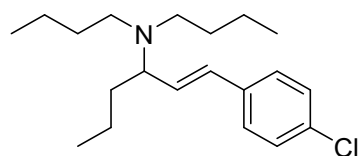
126.05, 125.57, 63.05, 50.50, 35.35, 34.66, 31.45, 31.08, 20.83, 20.13, 14.32, 14.30. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{24}H_{42}N^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 344.3312; found: 344.3303.



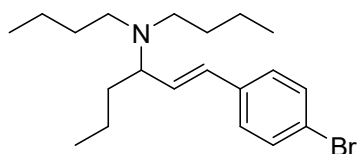
(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(4-fluorophenyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ae): isolated yield (72%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.38 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.99 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.34 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.04 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.11 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.38 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.23 (m, 11H), 0.93 – 0.89 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 162.18 (d, J = 249.5 Hz), 133.73 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 130.47, 130.20, 127.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 115.47 (d, J = 21.2 Hz), 62.87, 50.46, 35.15, 31.13, 20.79, 20.13, 14.31, 14.28. ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -115.28. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{20}H_{33}FN^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 306.2592; found: 306.2584.



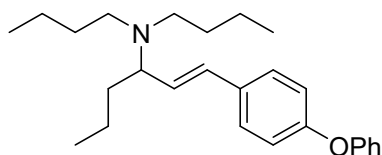
(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(3-fluorophenyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3af): isolated yield (52%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.25 (q, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, J = 20.1, 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.92 – 6.87 (m, 1H), 6.35 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.58 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.38 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.64 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.52 – 1.21 (m, 11H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 163.28 (d, J = 246.4 Hz), 139.95 (d, J = 7.1 Hz), 131.98, 130.60, 130.03 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 122.23 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 113.99 (d, J = 22.2 Hz), 112.72 (d, J = 22.2 Hz), 62.79, 50.47, 35.04, 31.12, 20.78, 20.11, 14.30, 14.28. ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -113.72. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{20}H_{33}FN^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 306.2592; found: 306.2583.



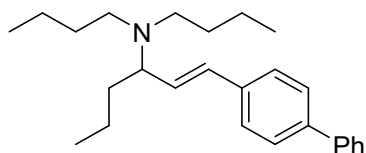
(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(4-chlorophenyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ag): isolated yield (58%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 6.34 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.12 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.37 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.56 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.20 (m, 11H), 0.91 (td, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 136.05, 132.77, 131.29, 130.41, 128.74, 127.52, 62.84, 50.46, 35.05, 31.13, 20.78, 20.12, 14.31, 14.28. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{33}\text{ClN}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 322.2296; found: 322.2293.



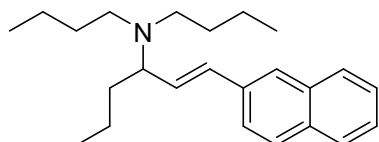
(E)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-N, N-dibutylhex-1-en-3-amine (3ah): isolated yield (50%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.32 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.11 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.37 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.69 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.50 – 1.21 (m, 11H), 0.91 (td, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 136.49, 131.69, 131.47, 130.44, 127.87, 120.87, 62.84, 50.46, 35.02, 31.13, 20.78, 20.11, 14.31, 14.28. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{33}\text{BrN}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 366.1791; found: 366.1790.



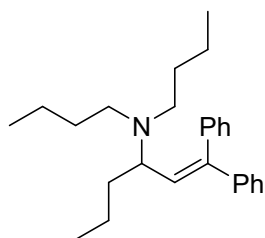
(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(4-phenoxyphenyl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ai): isolated yield (59%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.12 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.36 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.05 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.12 (m, 1H), 2.63 – 2.47 (m, 2H), 2.39 – 2.32 (m, 2H), 1.64 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.53 – 1.21 (m, 11H), 0.91 (td, J = 7.2, 1.9 Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.47, 156.43, 132.93, 130.83, 129.85, 129.57, 127.62, 123.29, 119.18, 118.83, 62.94, 50.48, 35.27, 31.14, 20.81, 20.15, 14.33, 14.30. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 380.2948; found: 380.2940.



(E)-1-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-N, N-dibutylhex-1-en-3-amine (3aj): isolated yield (49%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.43 (dd, J = 10.4, 7.9 Hz, 4H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 6.42 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.21 – 3.15 (m, 1H), 2.60 – 2.53 (m, 2H), 2.40 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.22 (m, 11H), 0.94 – 0.90 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 140.96, 140.07, 136.58, 131.27, 130.63, 128.90, 127.37, 127.34, 127.05, 126.75, 63.03, 50.51, 35.22, 31.10, 20.82, 20.15, 14.33, 14.30. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{38}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 364.2999; found: 364.2995.

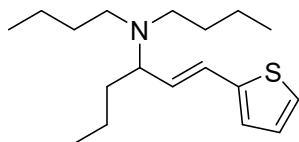


(E)-N, N-dibutyl-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3ak): isolated yield (49%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 6.55 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.24 – 3.19 (m, 1H), 2.61 – 2.54 (m, 2H), 2.42 – 2.36 (m, 2H), 1.69 – 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.56 – 1.23 (m, 11H), 1.02 – 0.80 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 134.99, 133.81, 132.93, 131.84, 130.89, 128.22, 127.99, 127.77, 126.32, 125.93, 125.74, 123.80, 63.09, 50.52, 35.21, 31.12, 20.82, 20.18, 14.35, 14.31. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 338.2842; found: 338.2837.

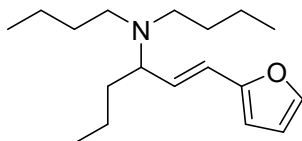


N, N-dibutyl-1,1-diphenylhex-1-en-3-amine (3al): isolated yield (46%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43 – 7.10 (m, 10H), 6.03 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.29 – 3.23 (m, 1H), 2.56 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.31 – 2.24 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.39 (m, 1H), 1.35 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.29 – 1.05

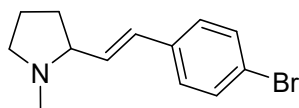
(m, 8H), 0.86 – 0.80 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 143.70, 142.92, 140.38, 130.10, 130.05, 128.23, 128.15, 127.39, 127.16, 127.03, 57.25, 50.14, 35.94, 31.07, 20.72, 19.92, 14.38, 14.23. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{38}\text{N}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 364.2999; found: 364.2992.



(*E*)-*N*, *N*-dibutyl-1-(thiophen-2-yl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3am): isolated yield (40%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.11 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 6.52 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (dd, J = 15.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.14 – 3.09 (m, 1H), 2.56 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.43 – 2.28 (m, 2H), 1.64 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.50 – 1.23 (m, 11H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 142.87, 130.44, 127.41, 124.91, 124.80, 123.59, 62.82, 50.47, 35.06, 31.16, 20.79, 20.14, 14.30. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{32}\text{NS}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 294.2250; found: 294.2245.

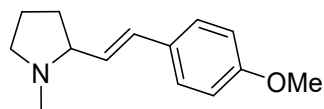


(*E*)-*N*, *N*-dibutyl-1-(furan-2-yl)hex-1-en-3-amine (3an): isolated yield (54%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (dd, J = 3.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.28 – 6.14 (m, 2H), 6.07 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (td, J = 8.3, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.56 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.36 – 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.53 (m, 1H), 1.48 – 1.22 (m, 11H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.07, 141.54, 129.25, 120.19, 111.29, 106.82, 62.68, 50.49, 35.17, 31.27, 20.79, 20.14, 14.29. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 278.2478; found: 278.2472.

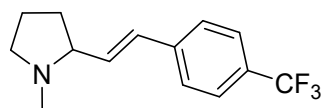


(*E*)-2-(4-bromostyryl)-1-methylpyrrolidine (3ao): isolated yield (62%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.43 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (dd, J = 15.8, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.12 (m, 1H), 2.67 (q, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.22 (q, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.08 – 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.96 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.84 – 1.65 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

136.07, 132.97, 131.73, 130.62, 127.95, 121.18, 69.63, 56.85, 40.49, 32.21, 22.48. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{13}H_{17}BrN^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 266.0539; found: 266.0539.

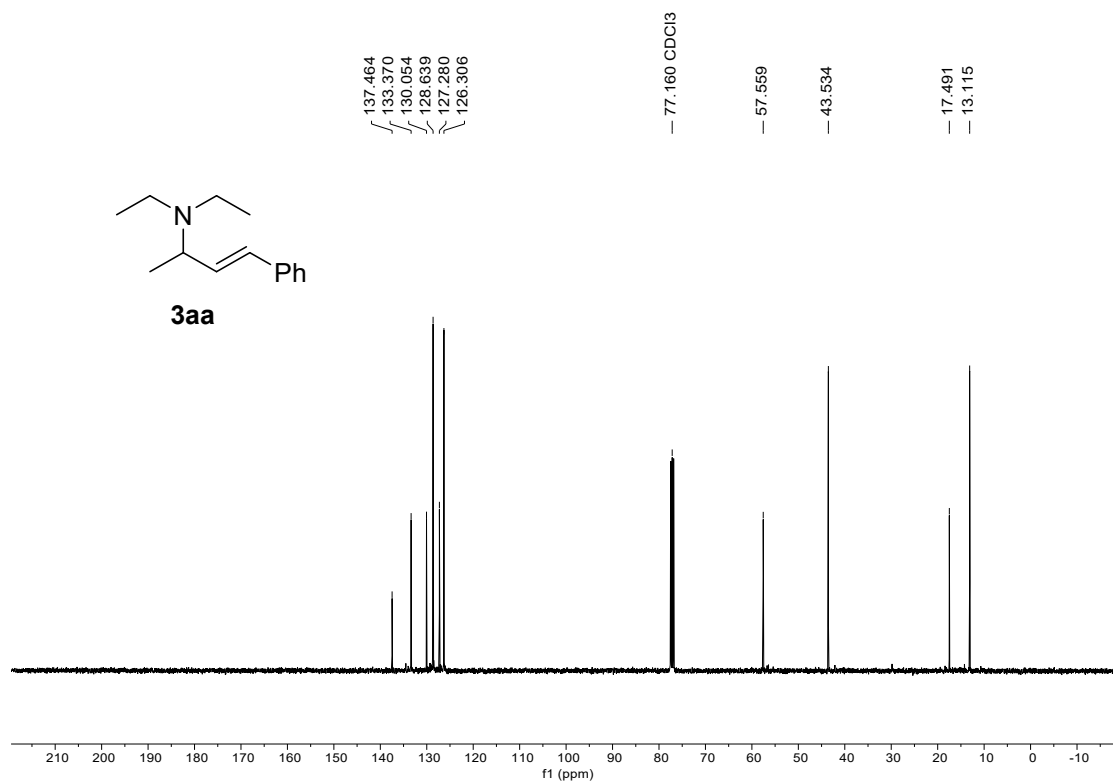
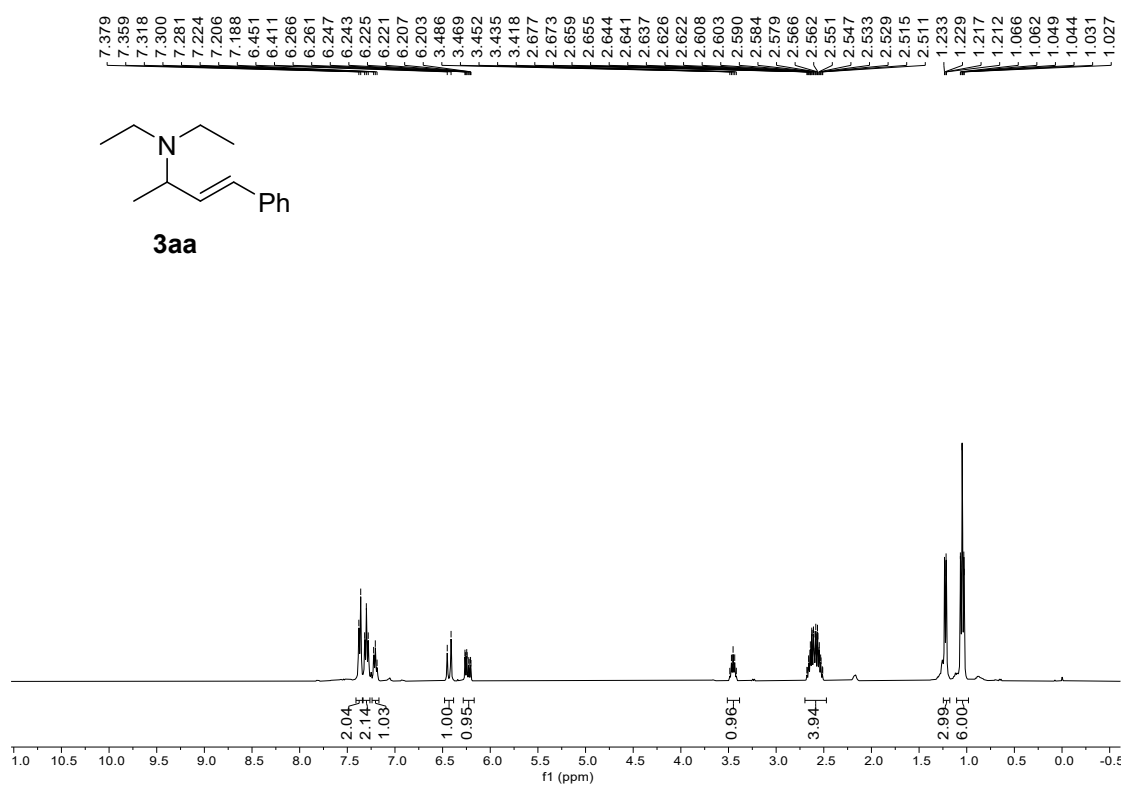


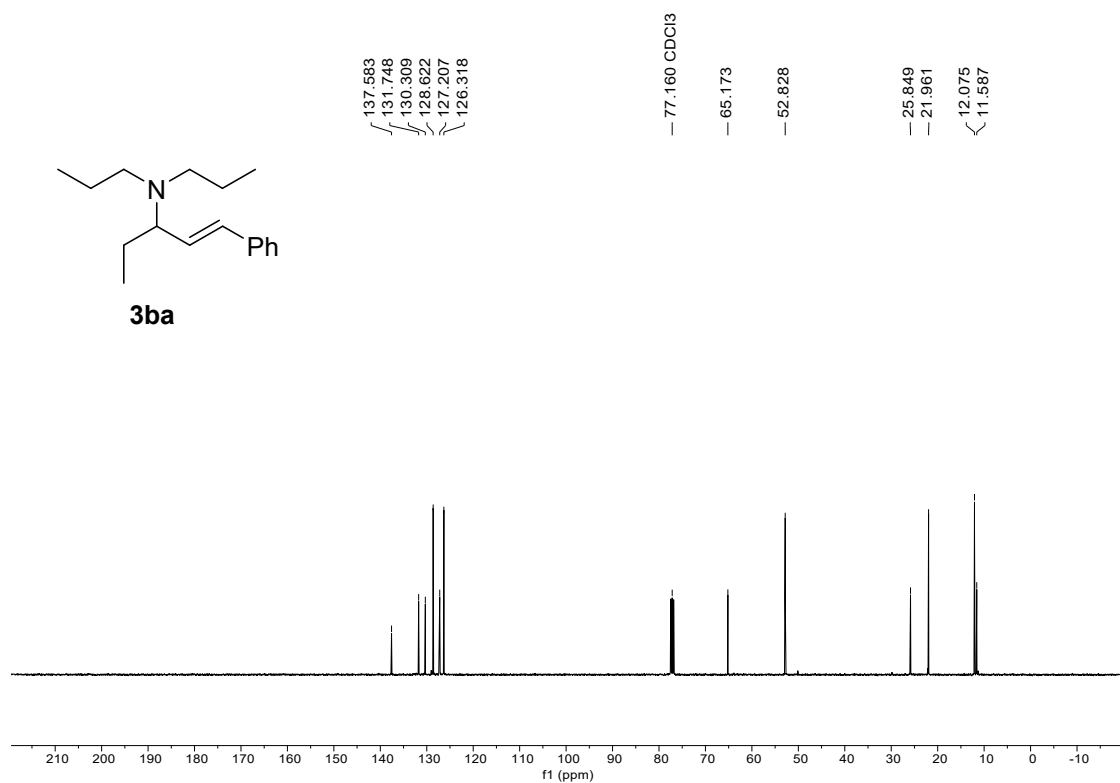
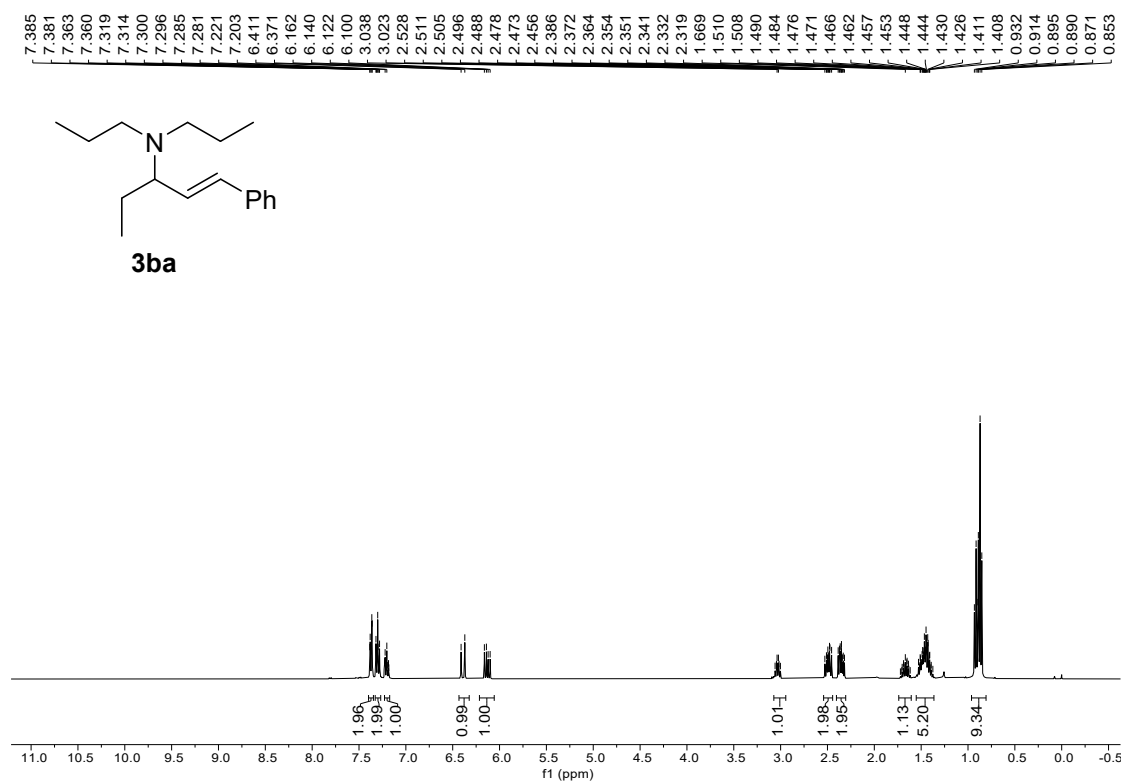
(E)-2-(4-methoxystyryl)-1-methylpyrrolidine (3ap): isolated yield (52%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.45 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (dd, J = 15.8, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.19 – 3.15 (m, 1H), 2.71 – 2.65 (m, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.24 (q, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.08 – 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.95 – 1.83 (m, 1H), 1.82 – 1.68 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 159.23, 131.59, 129.88, 129.41, 127.62, 114.10, 70.00, 56.74, 55.43, 40.33, 32.26, 22.37. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{14}H_{20}NO^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 218.1539; found: 218.1533.

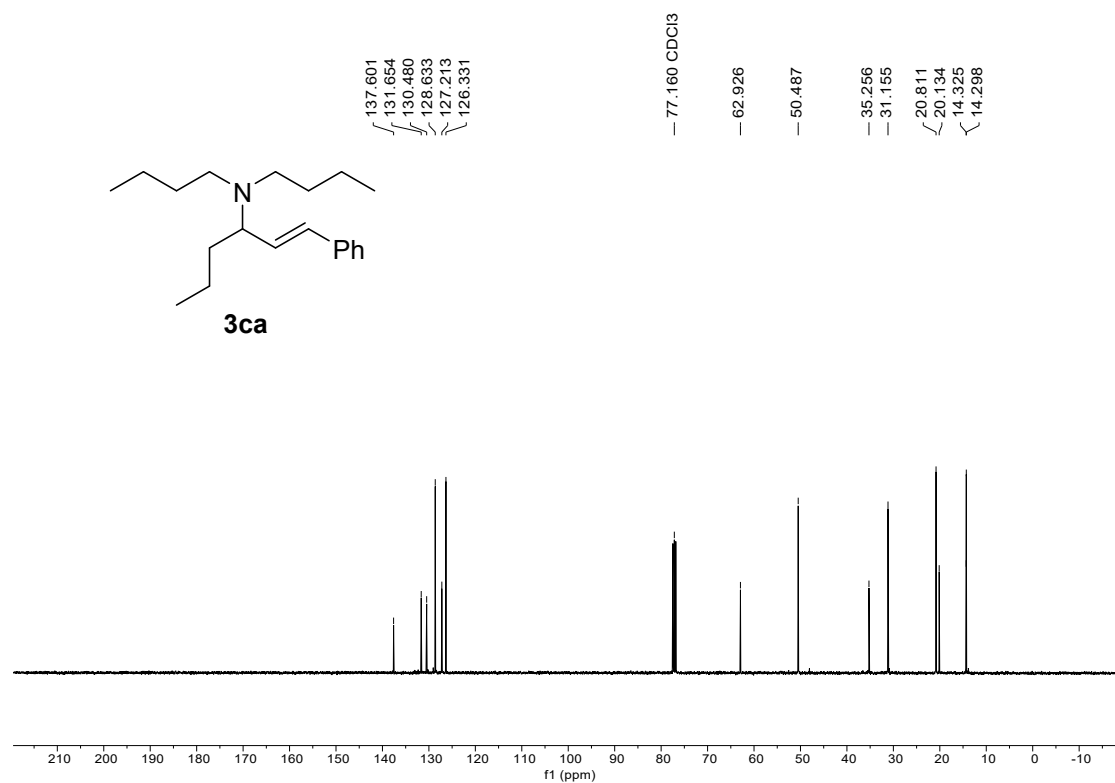
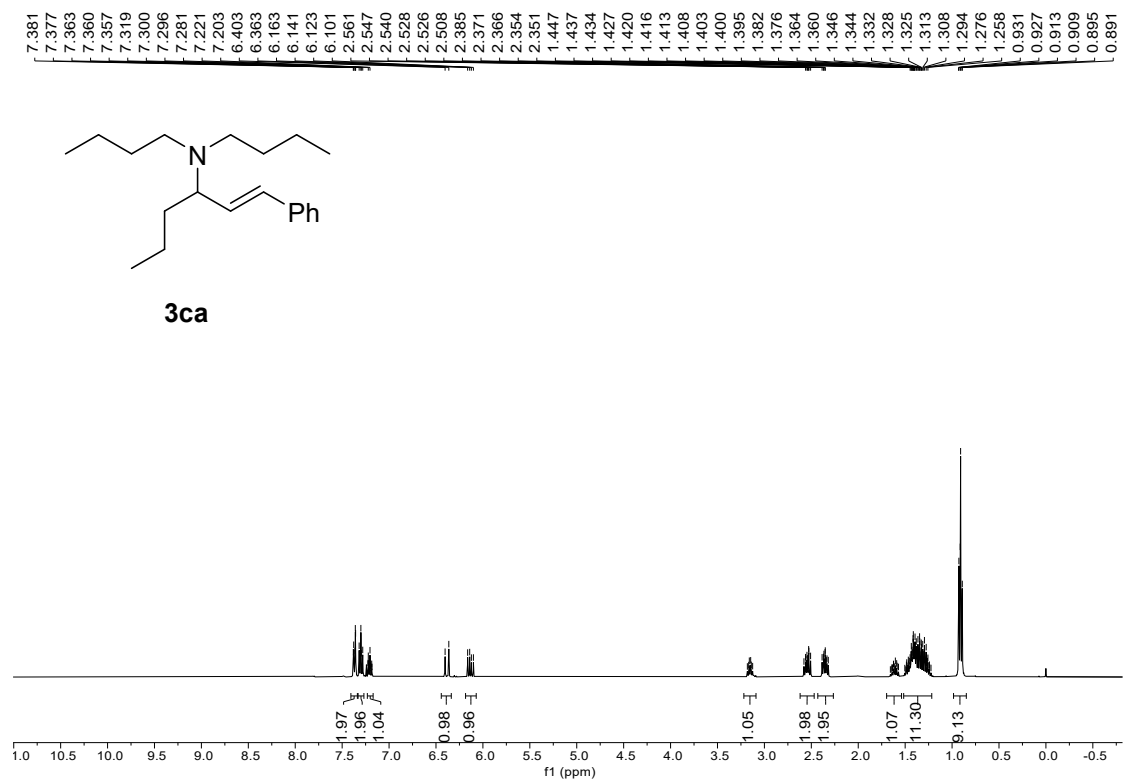


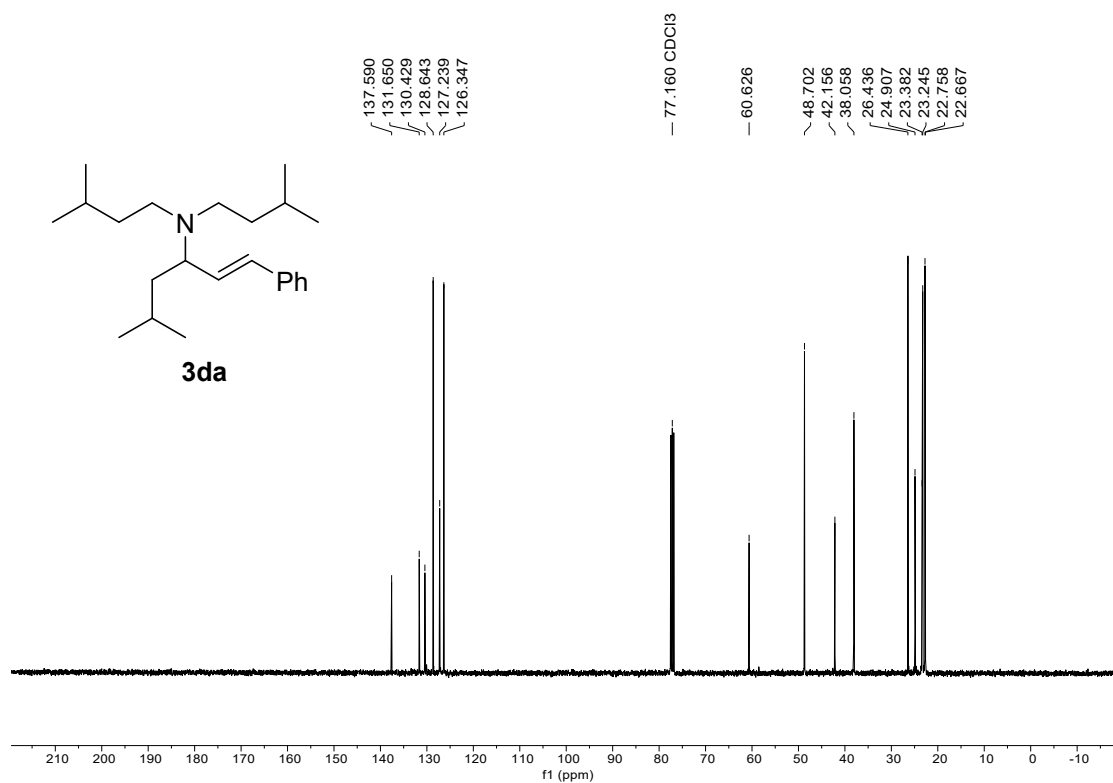
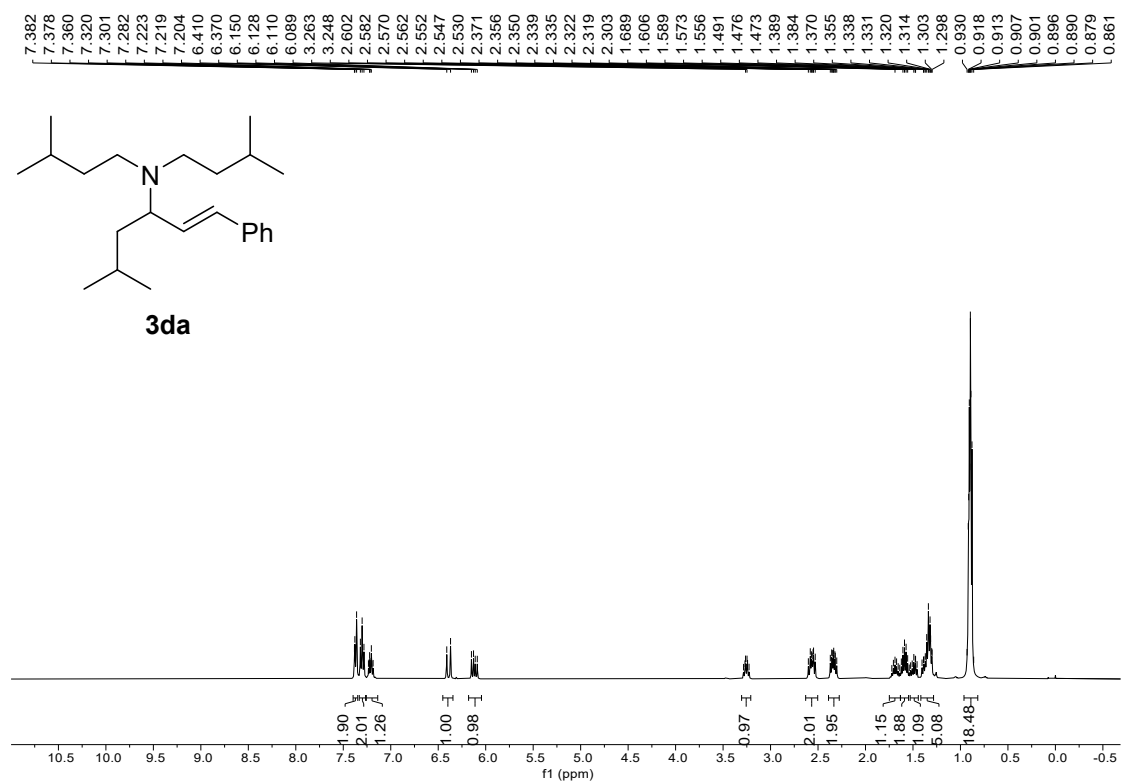
(E)-1-methyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)styryl)pyrrolidine (3aq): isolated yield (32%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.56 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.53 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 – 3.13 (m, 1H), 2.71 (q, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.28 – 2.20 (m, 1H), 2.10 – 2.01 (m, 1H), 1.96 – 1.85 (m, 1H), 1.85 – 1.66 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 140.67, 135.14, 130.36, 129.29 (q, J = 32.3 Hz), 126.56, 125.64 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 124.35 (d, J = 271.7 Hz), 69.52, 56.94, 40.57, 32.29, 22.58. ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -62.47. HRMS (ESI) calculated for $C_{14}H_{17}F_3N^+$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 256.1308; found: 256.1300.

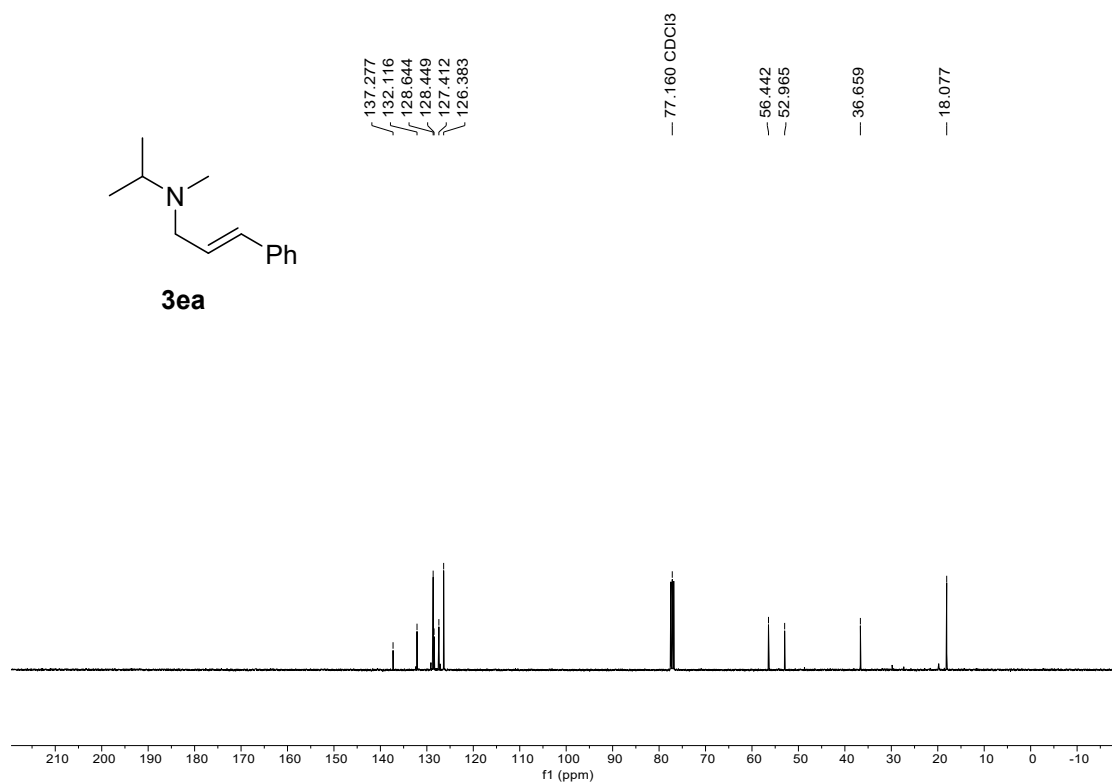
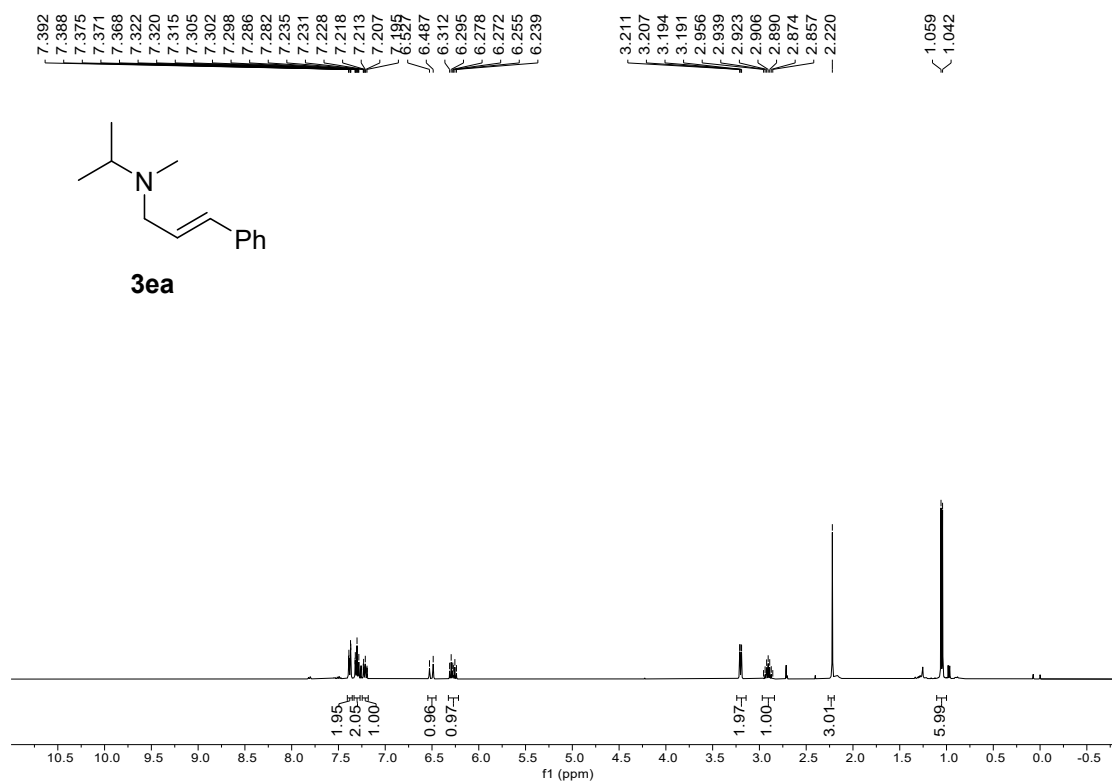
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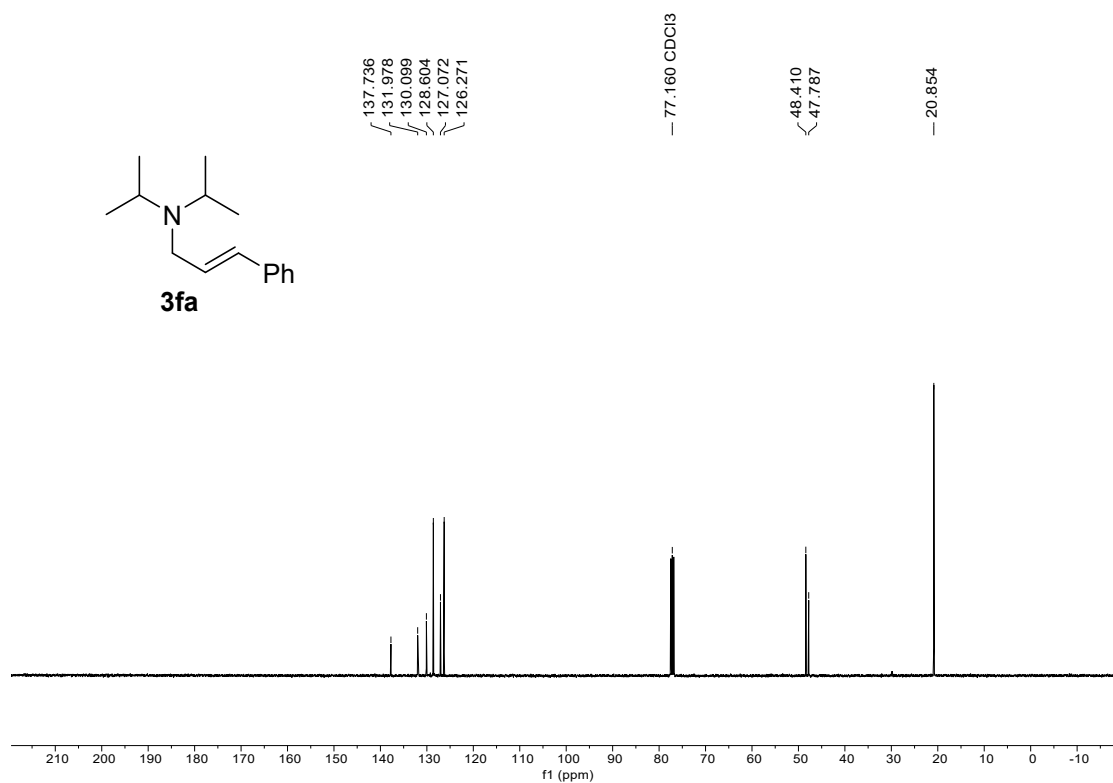
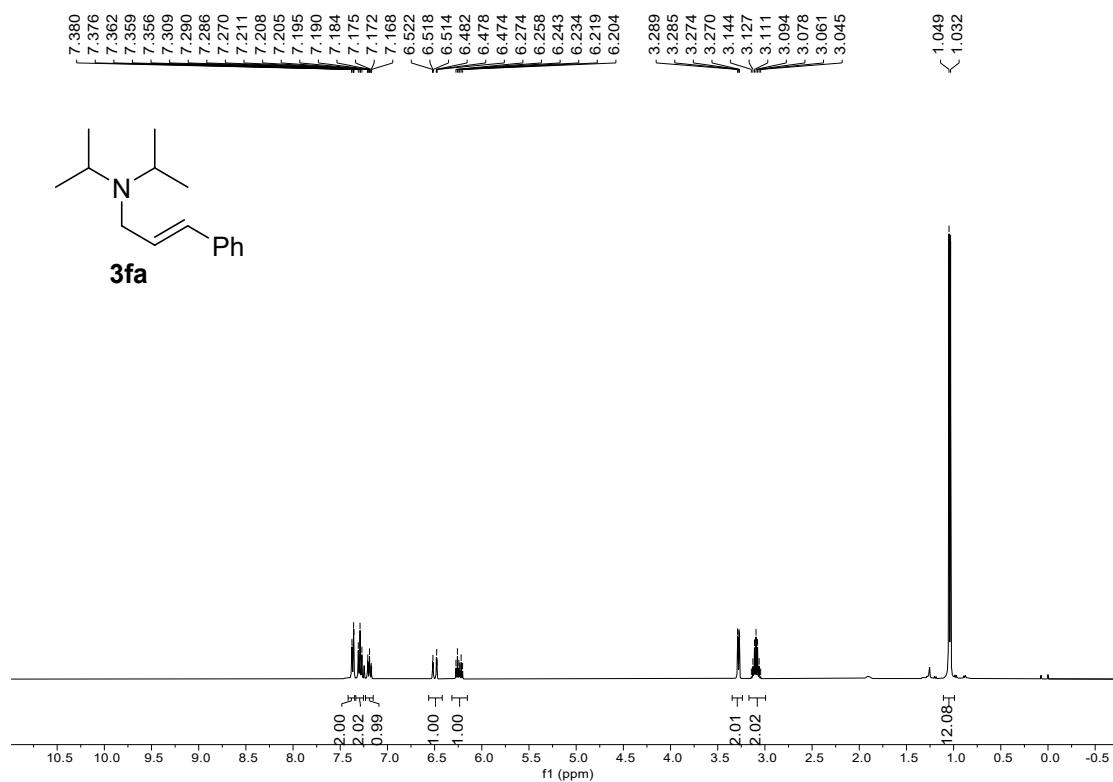


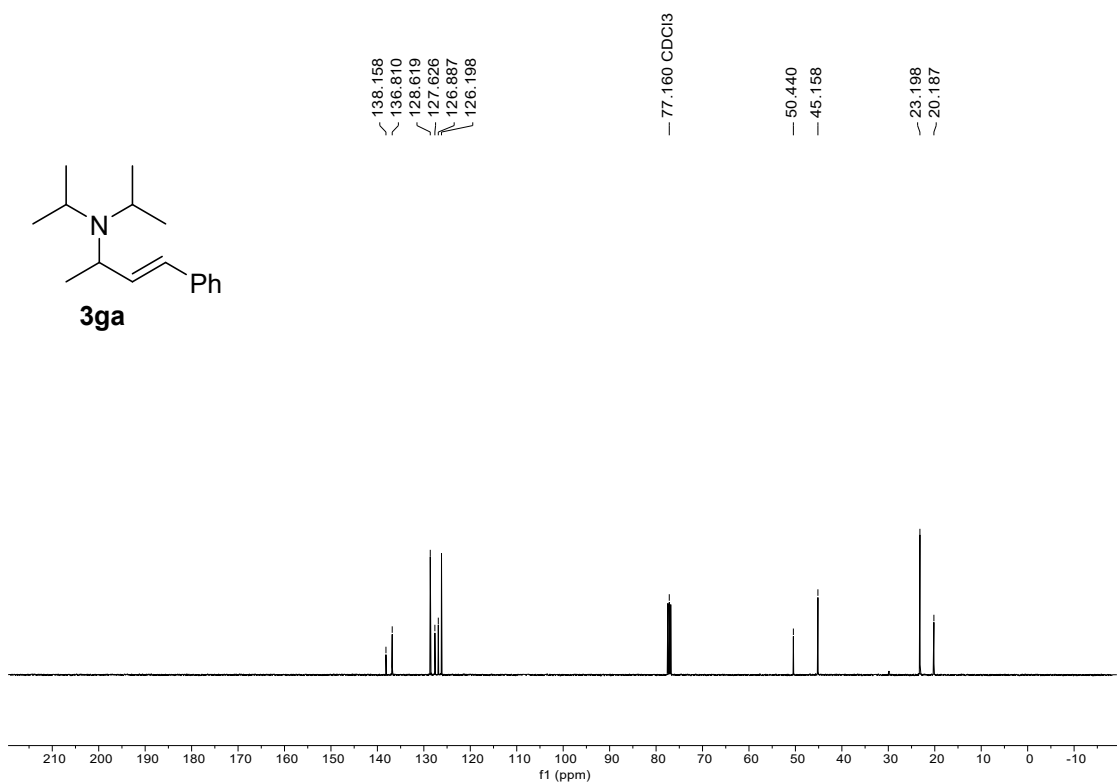
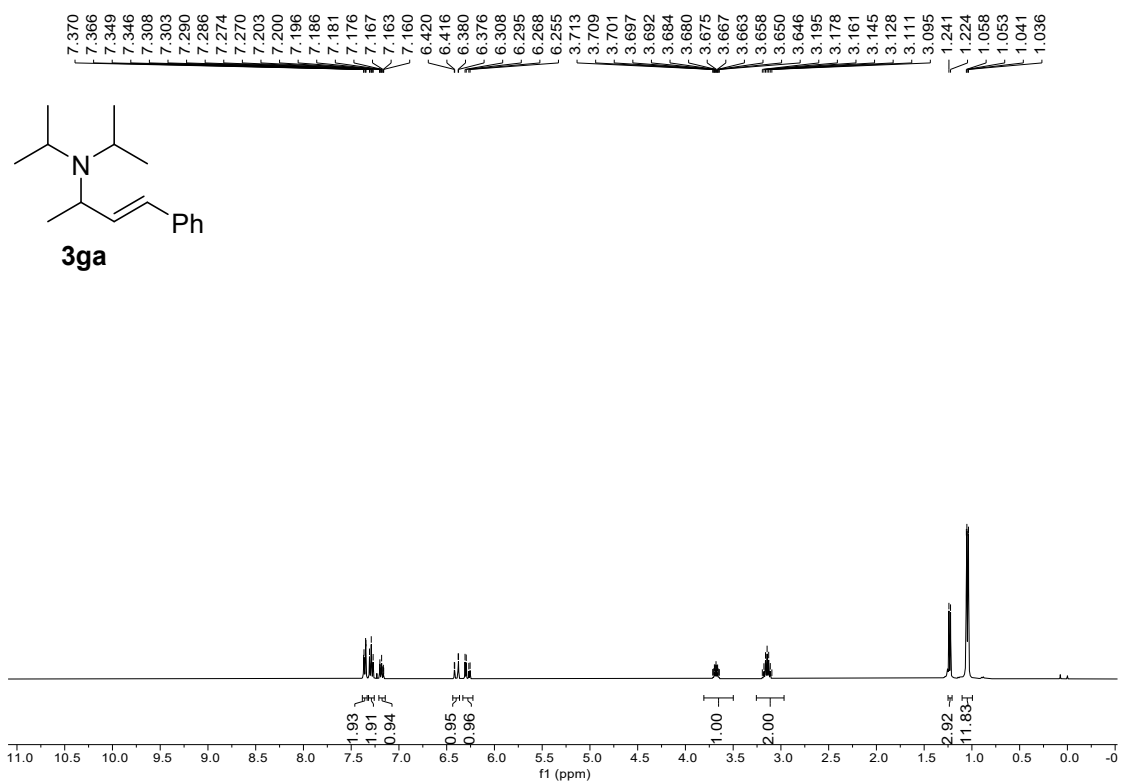


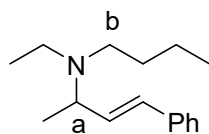
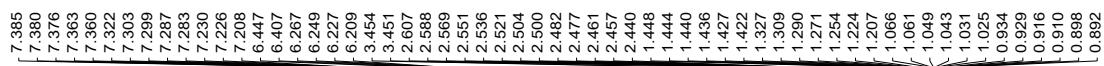




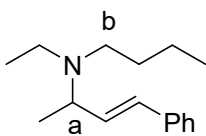
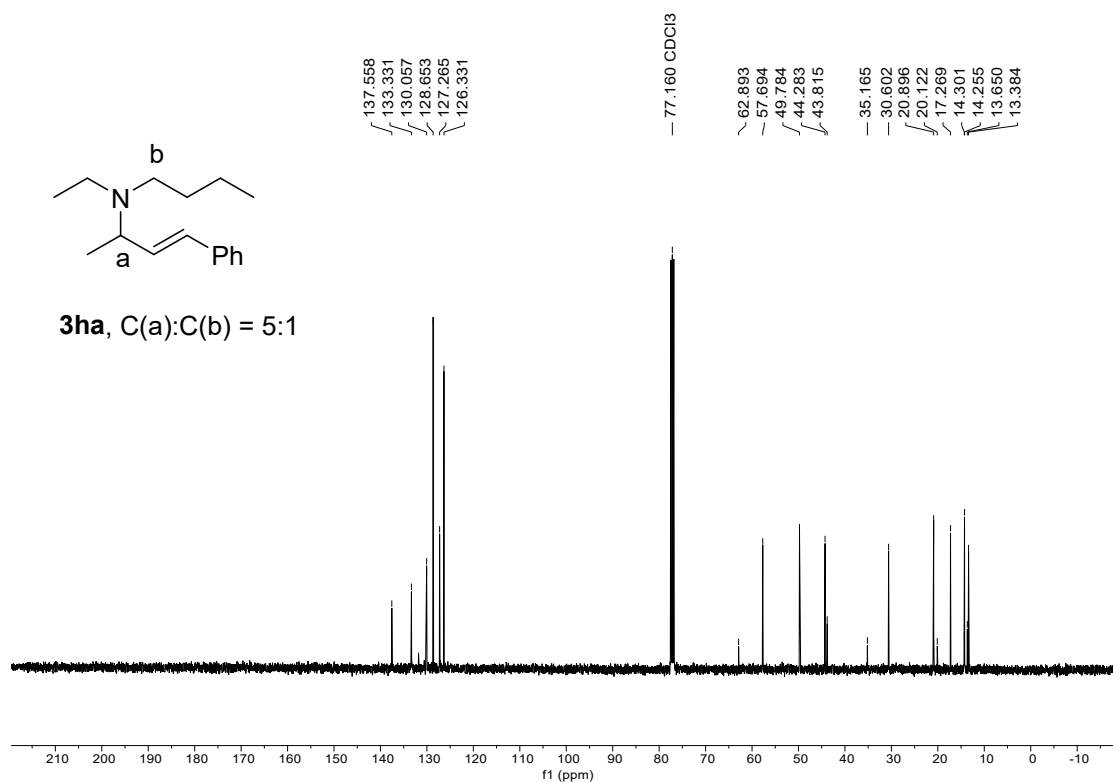
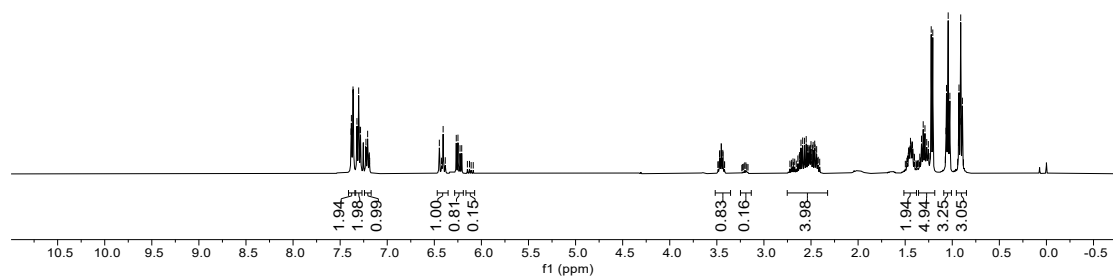




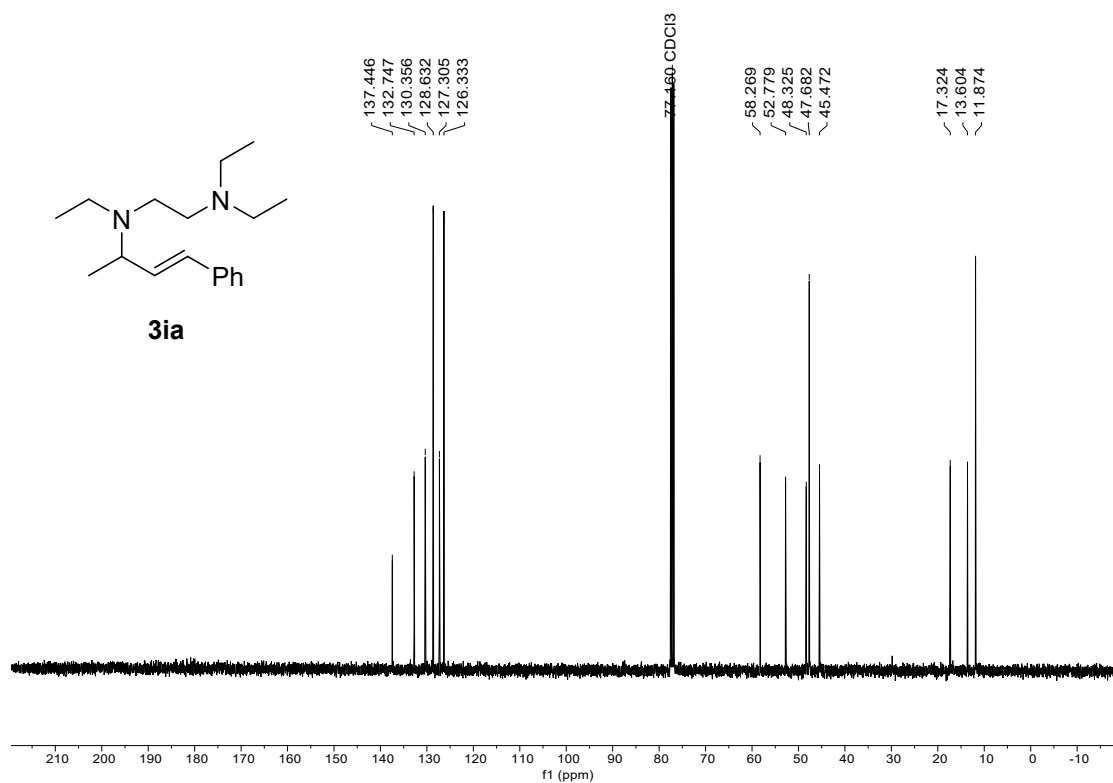
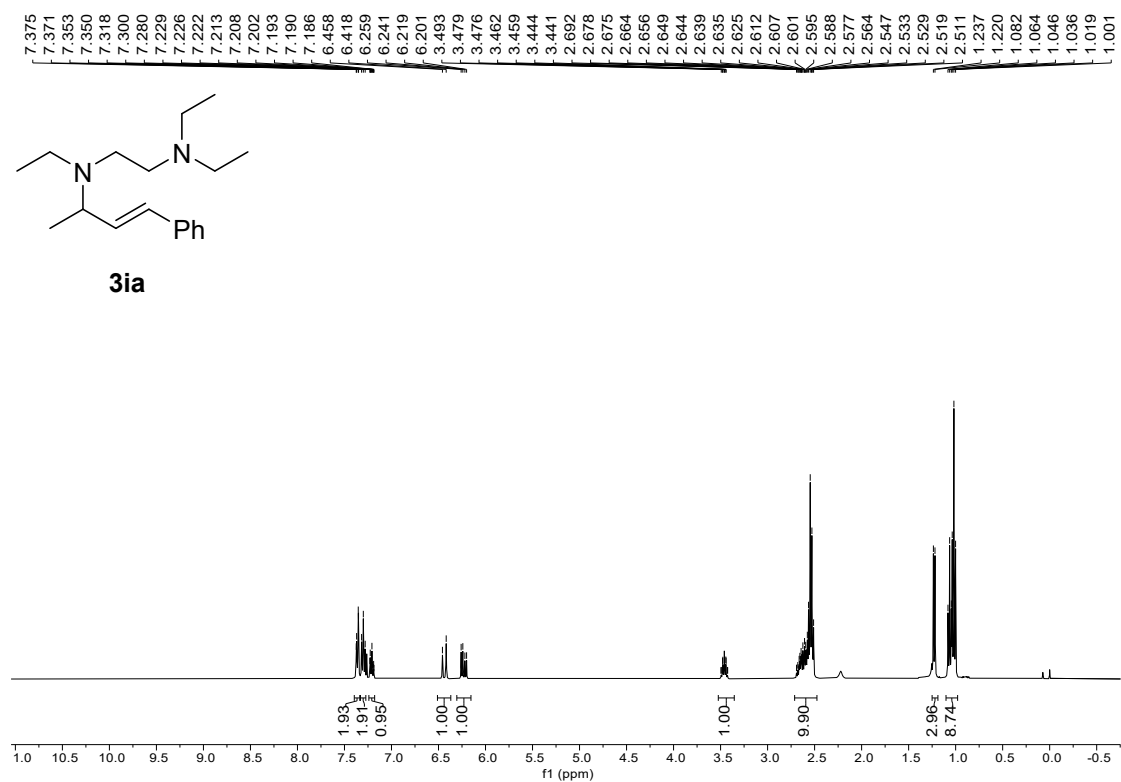


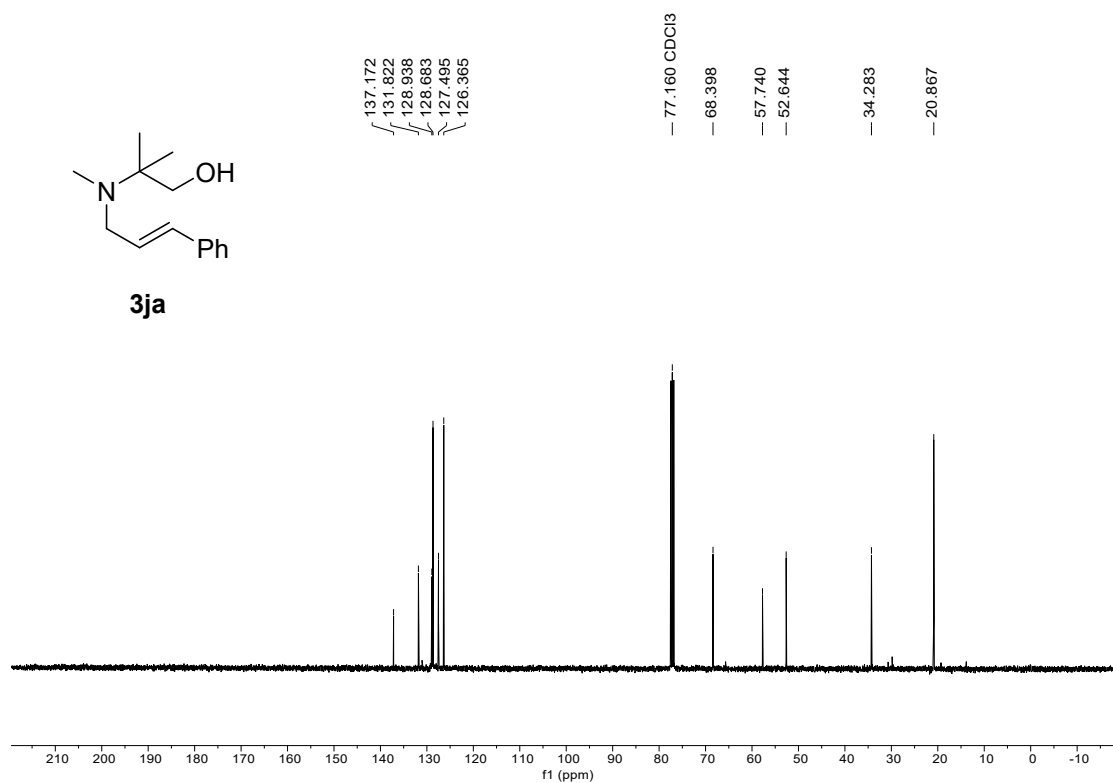
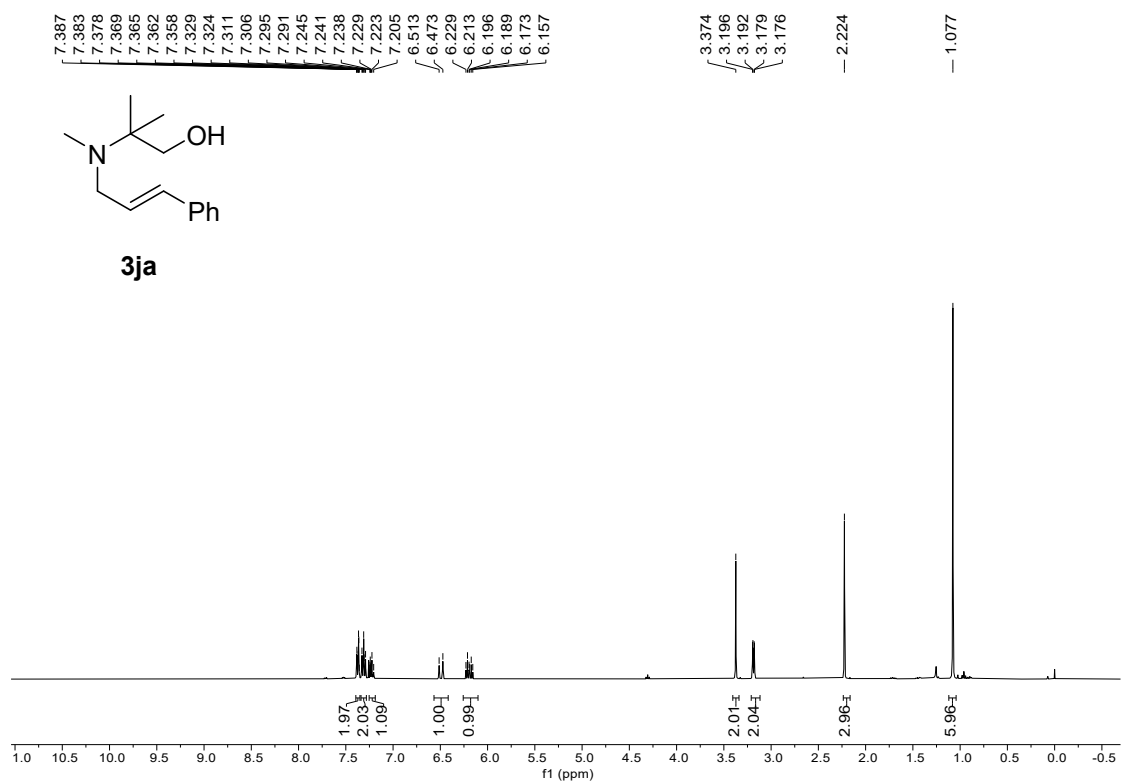


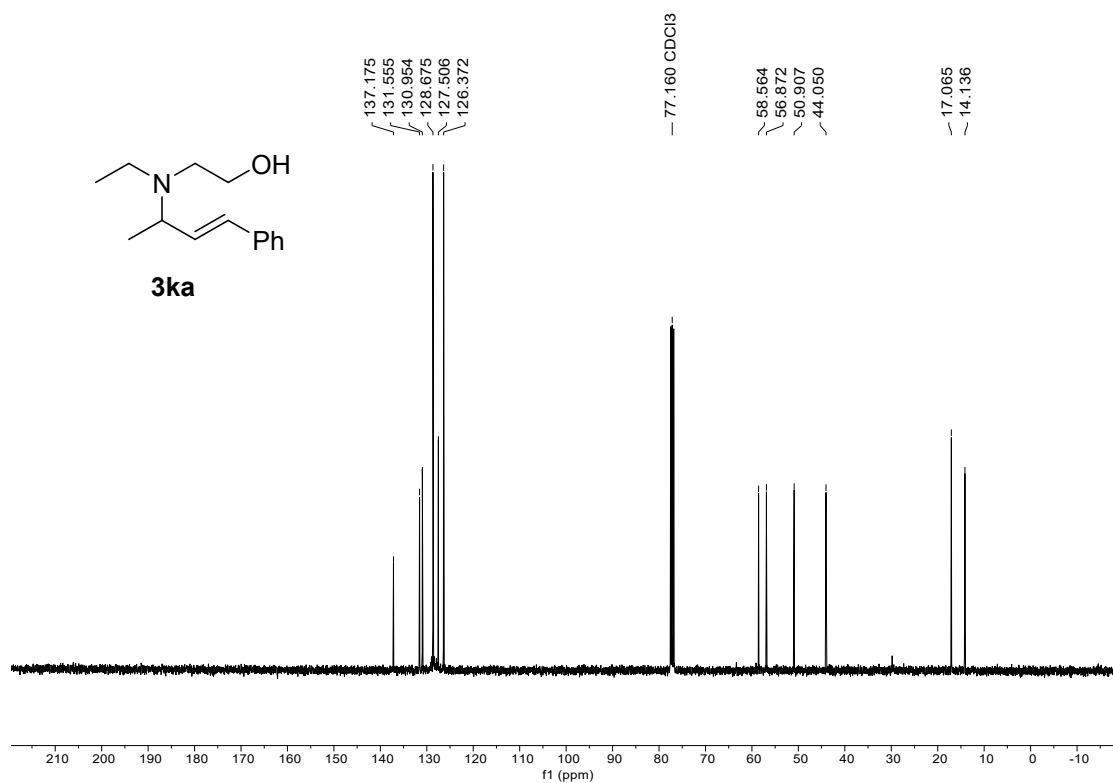
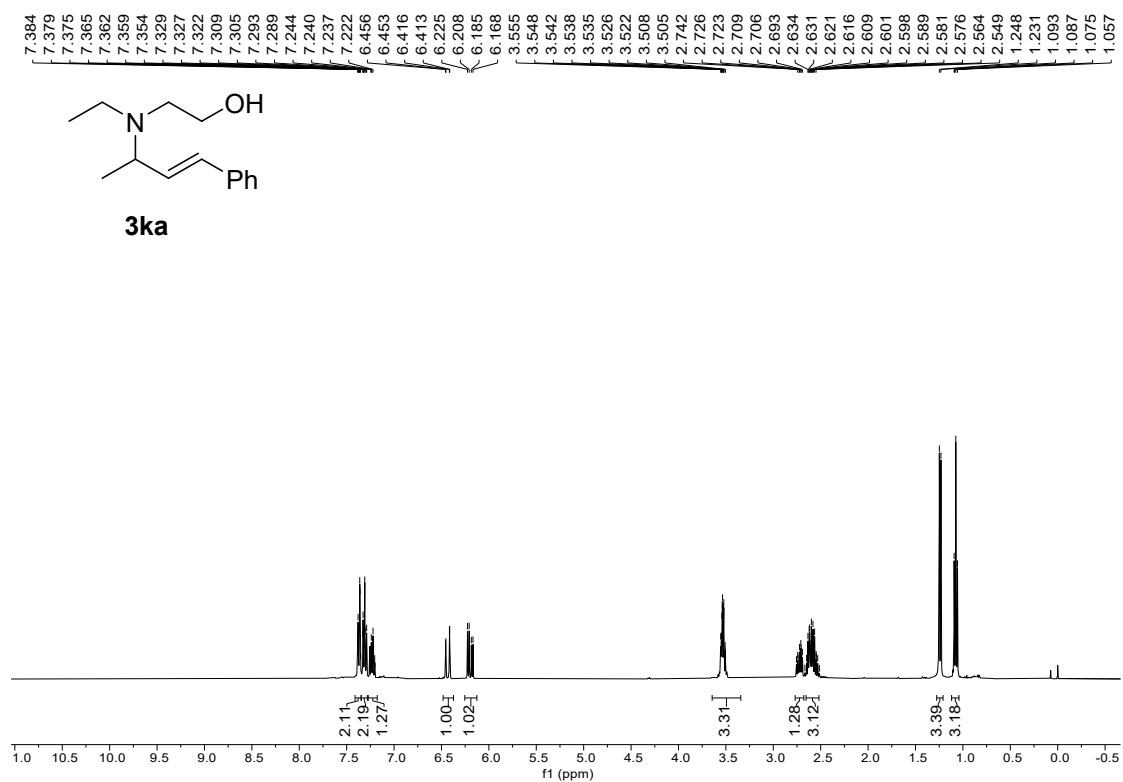
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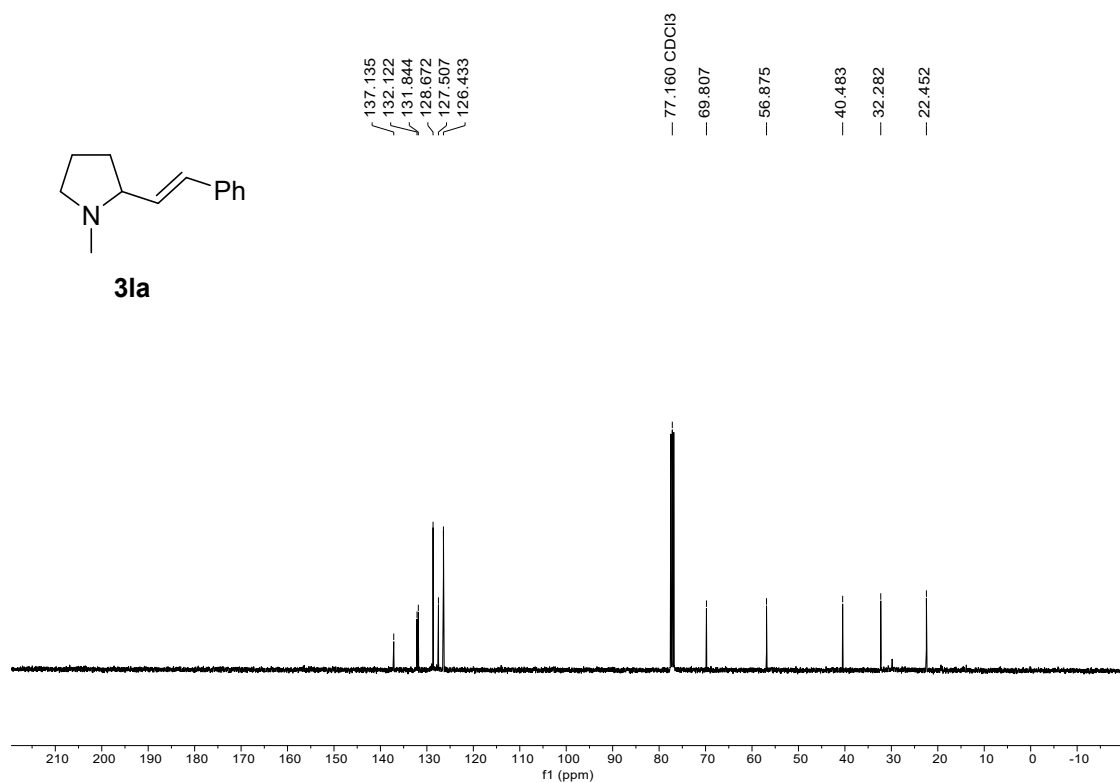
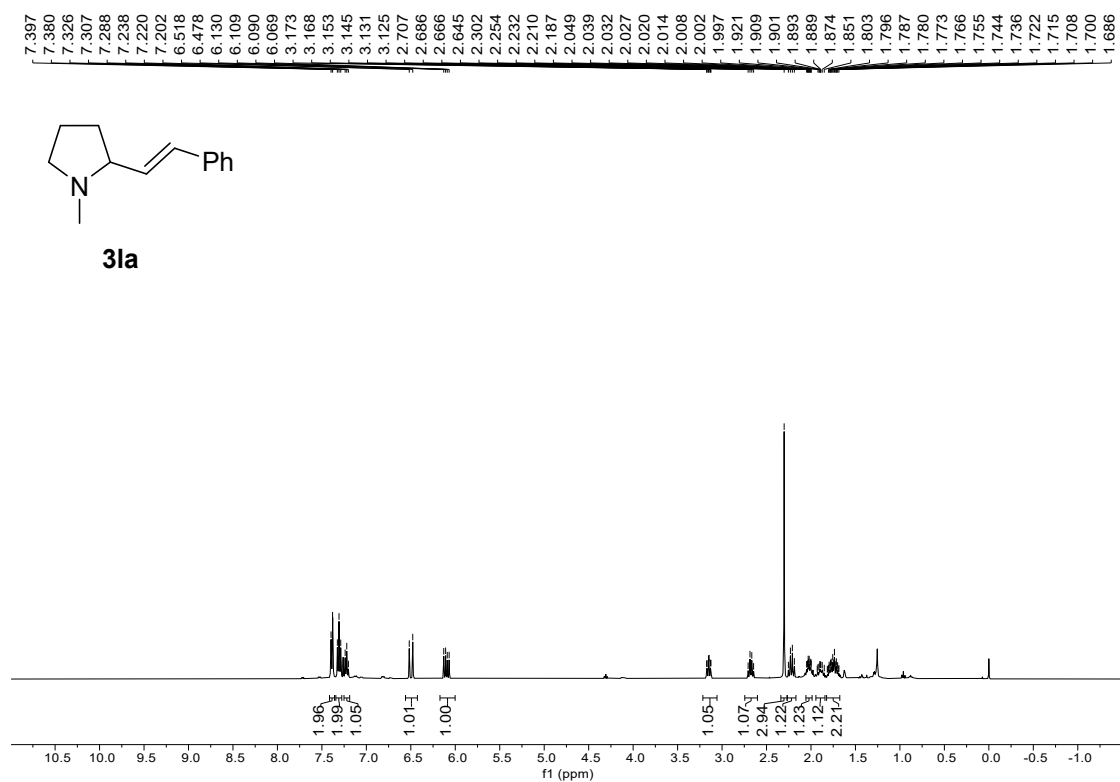


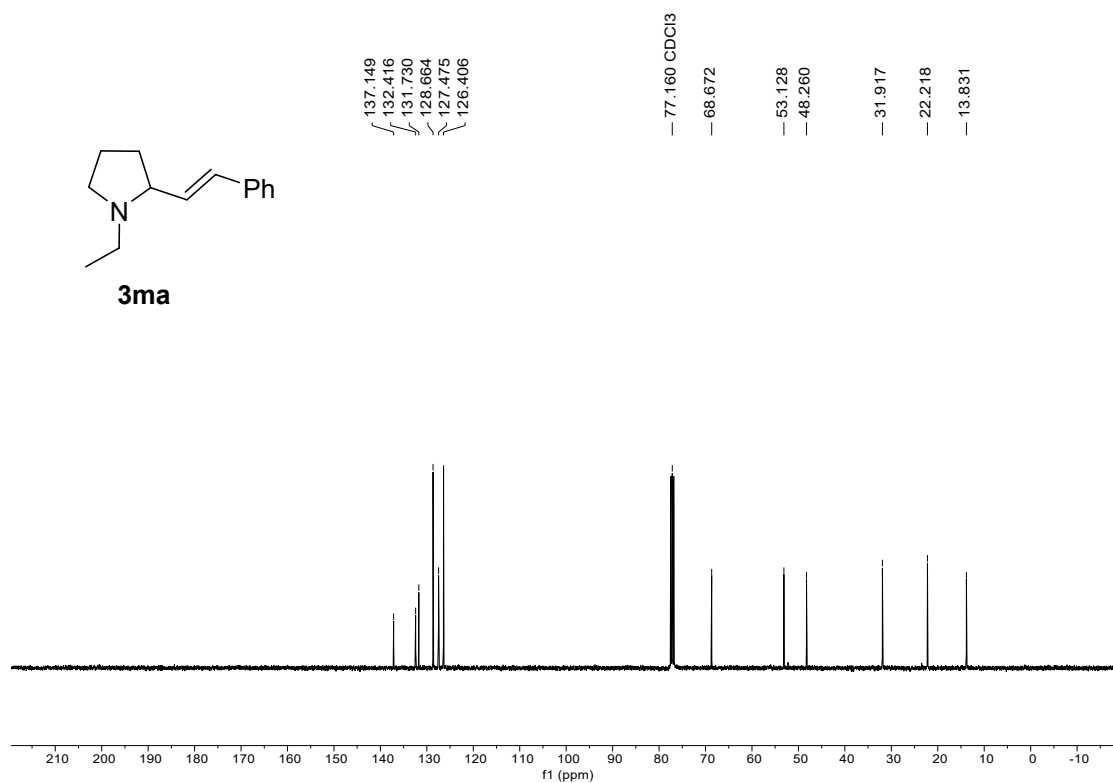
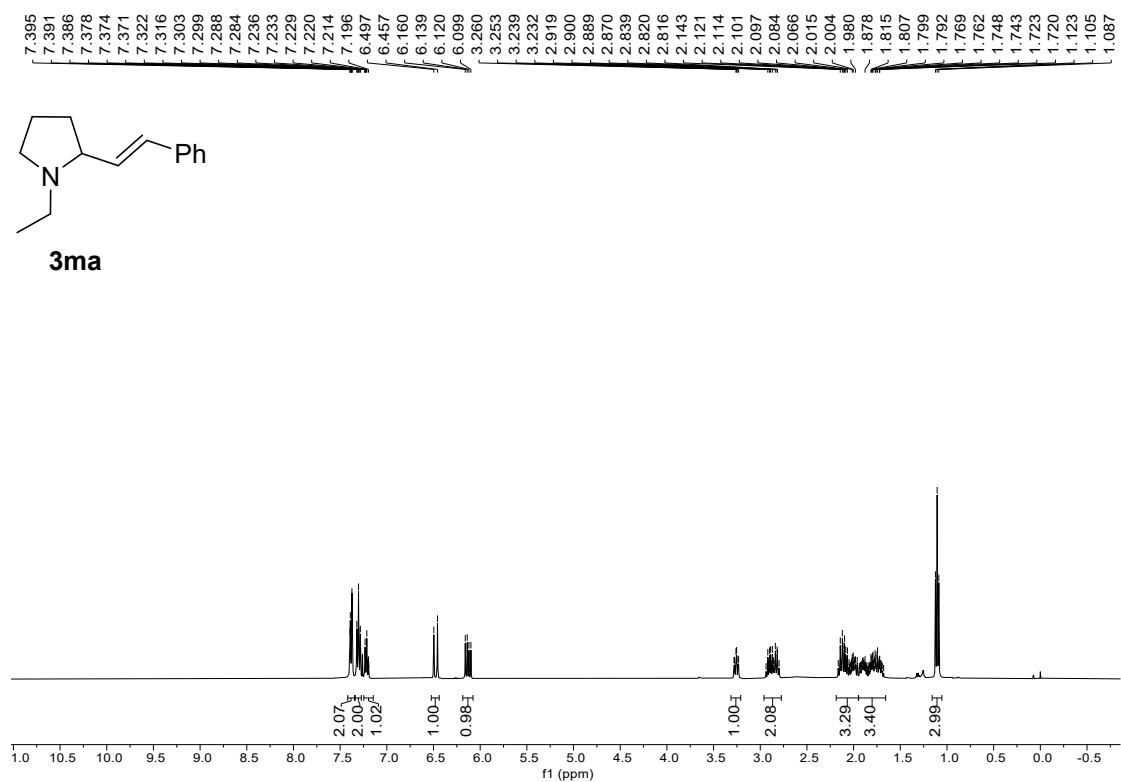
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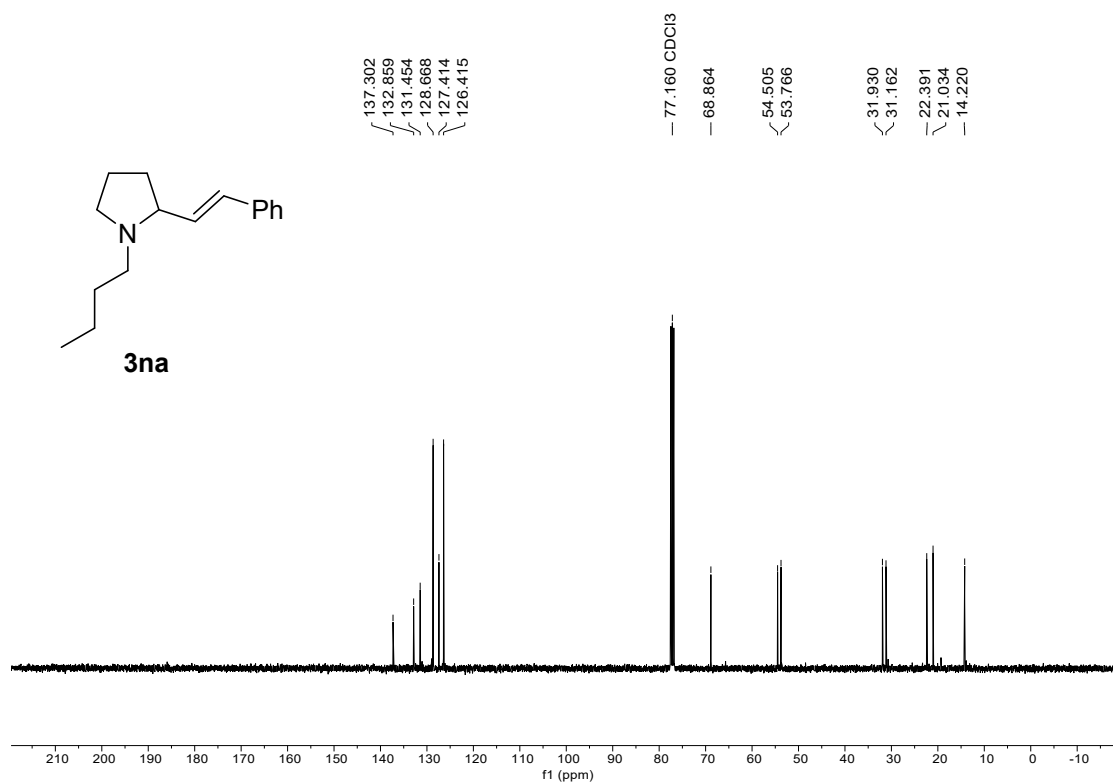
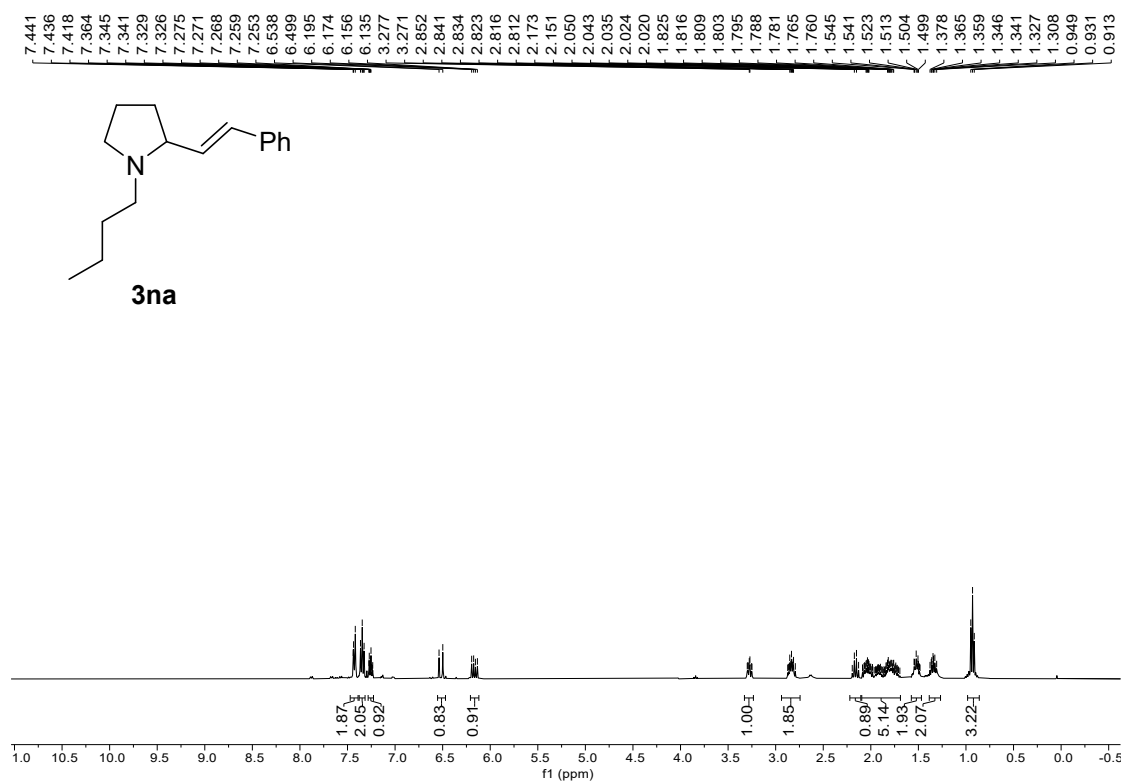


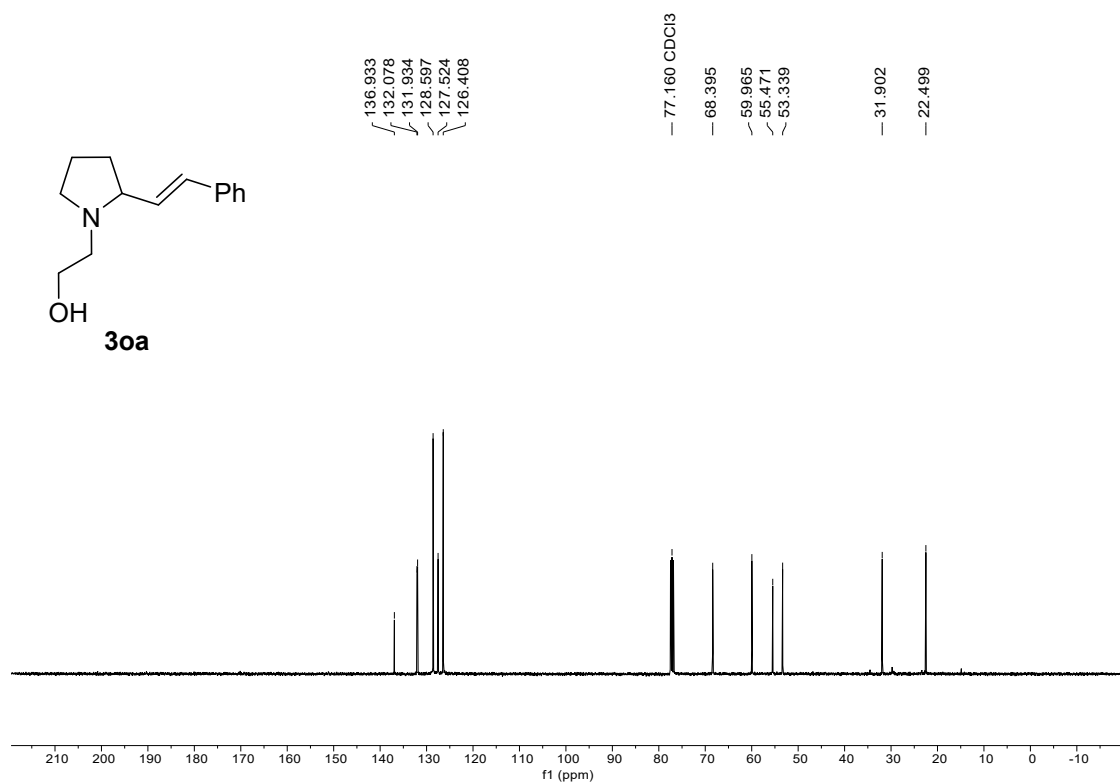
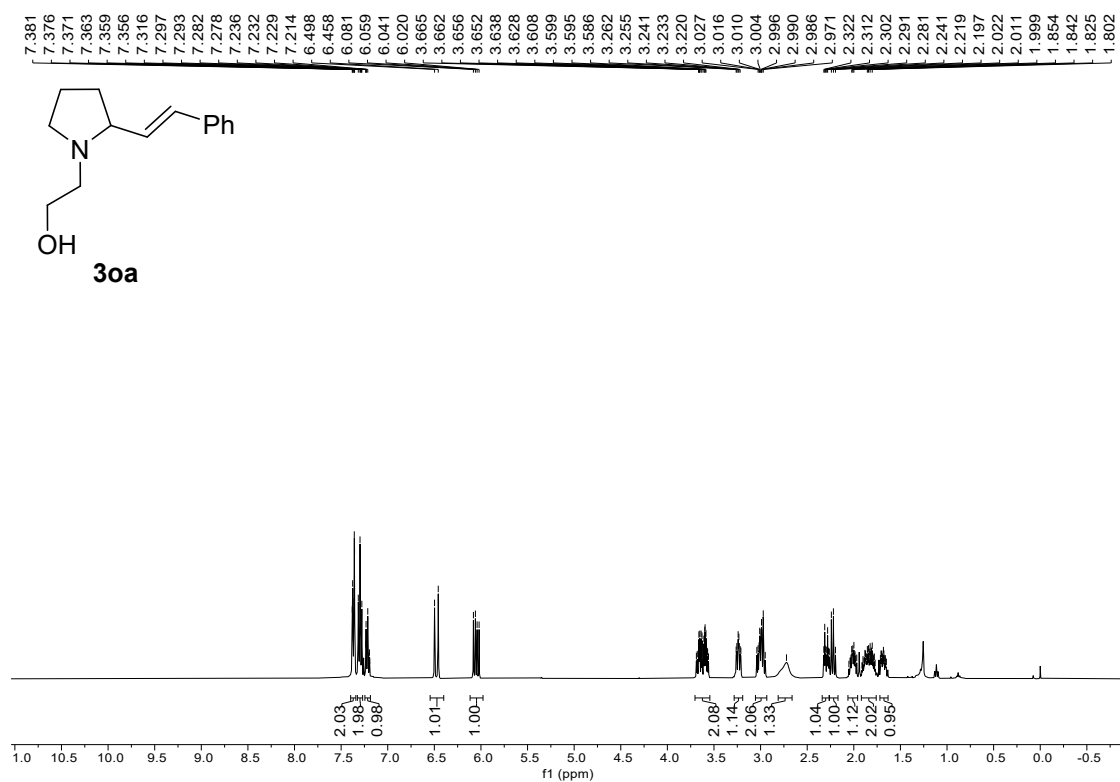


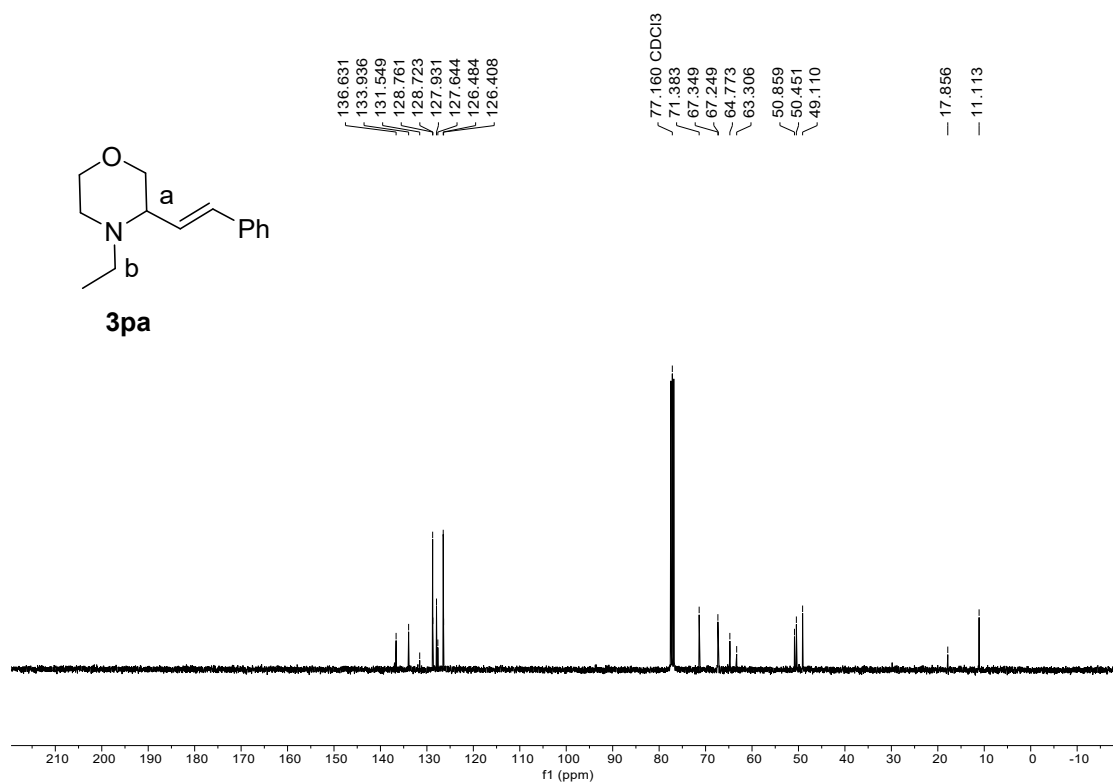
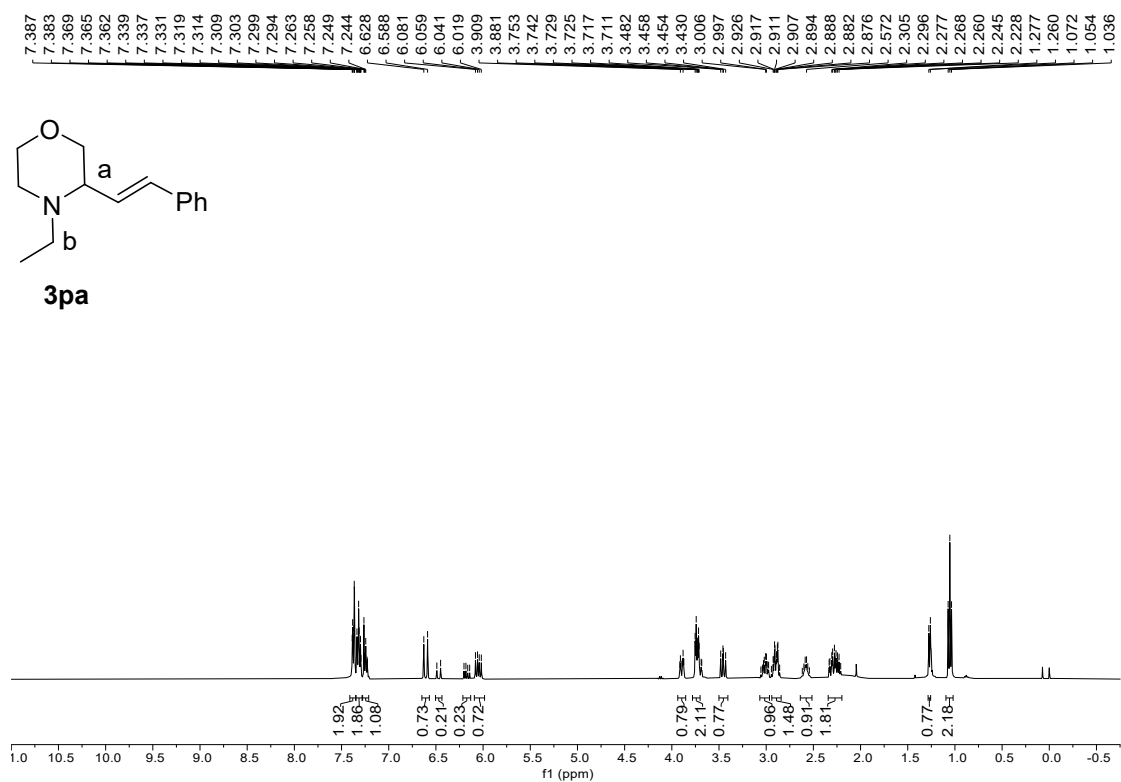


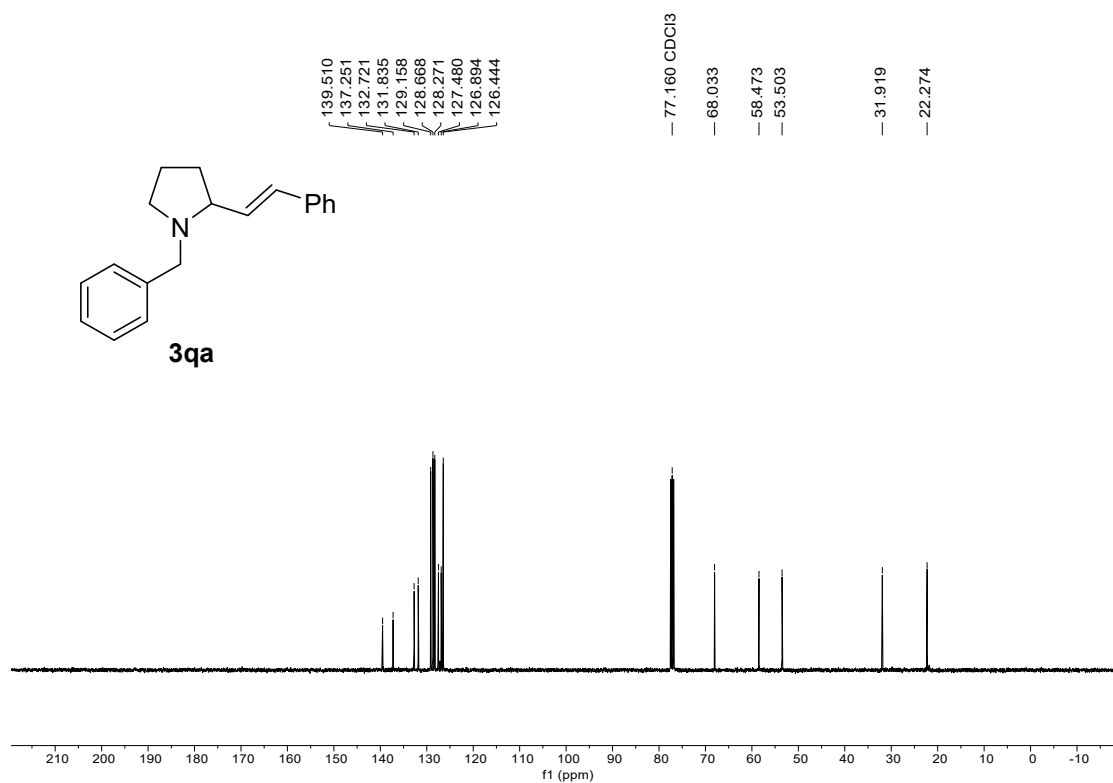
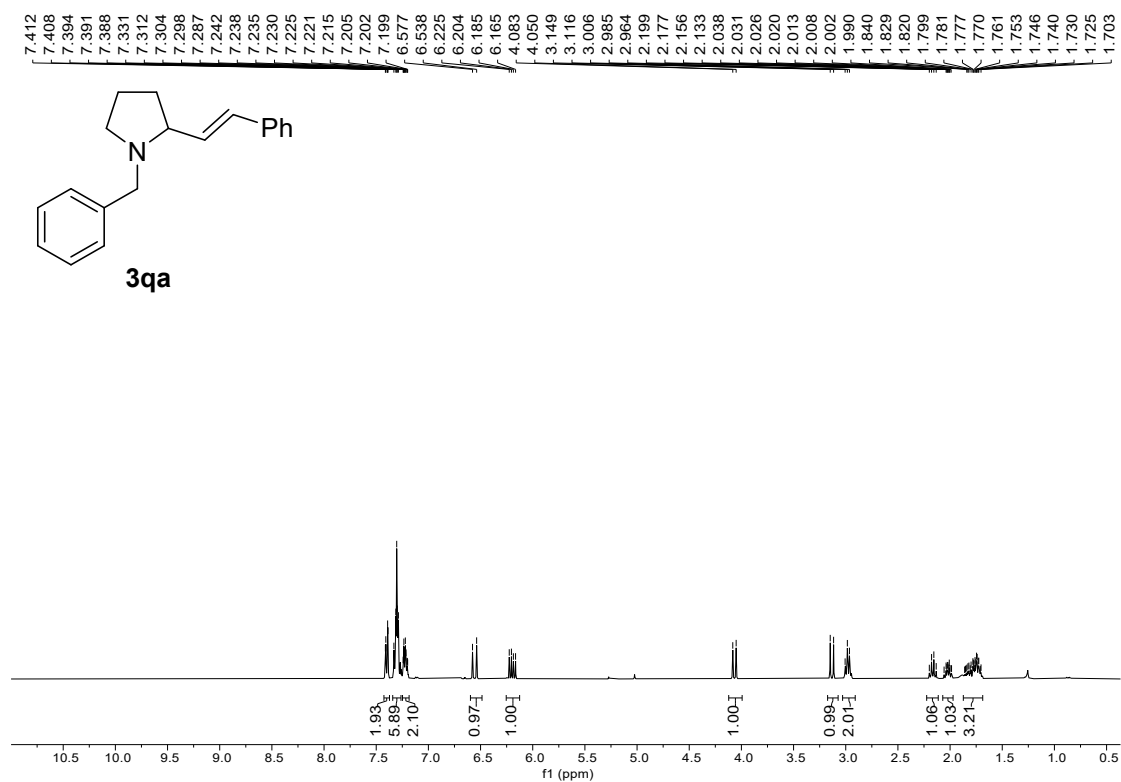


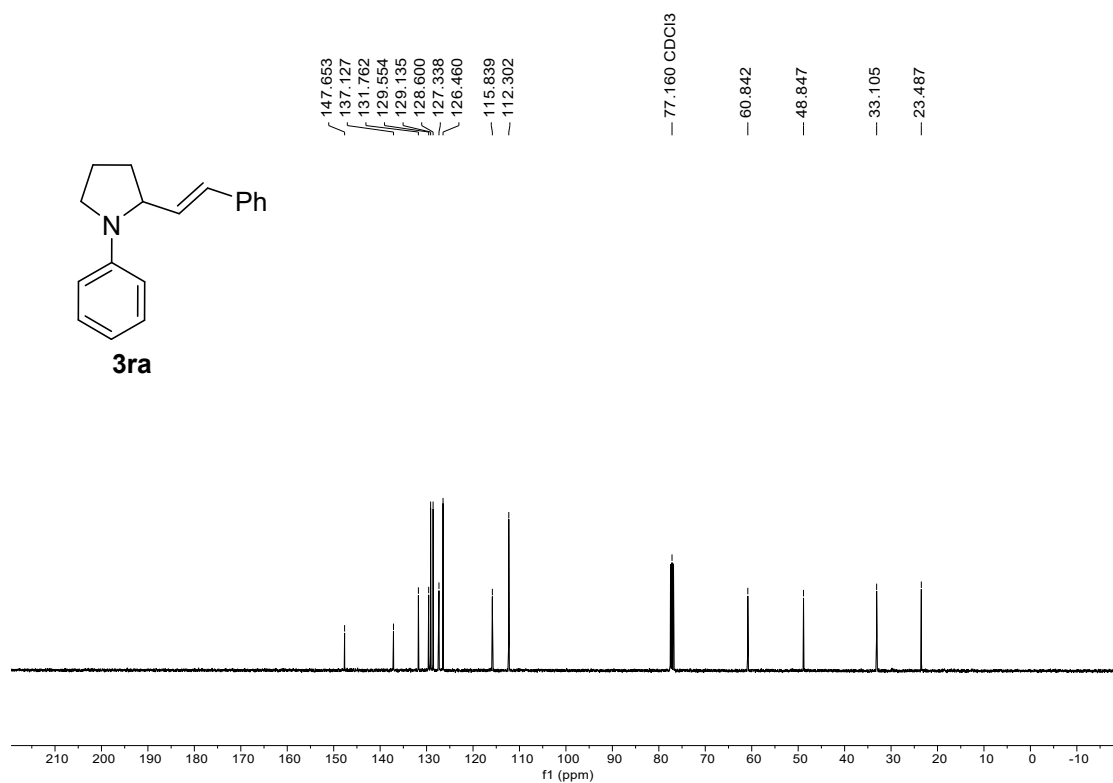
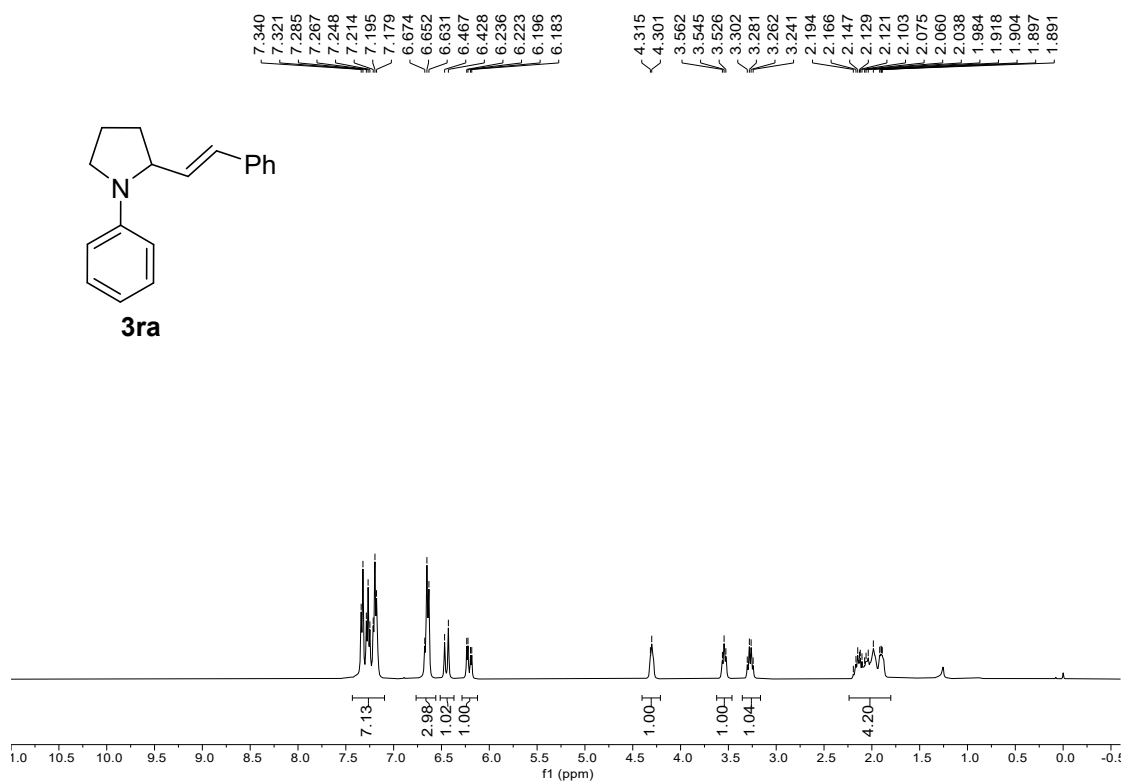


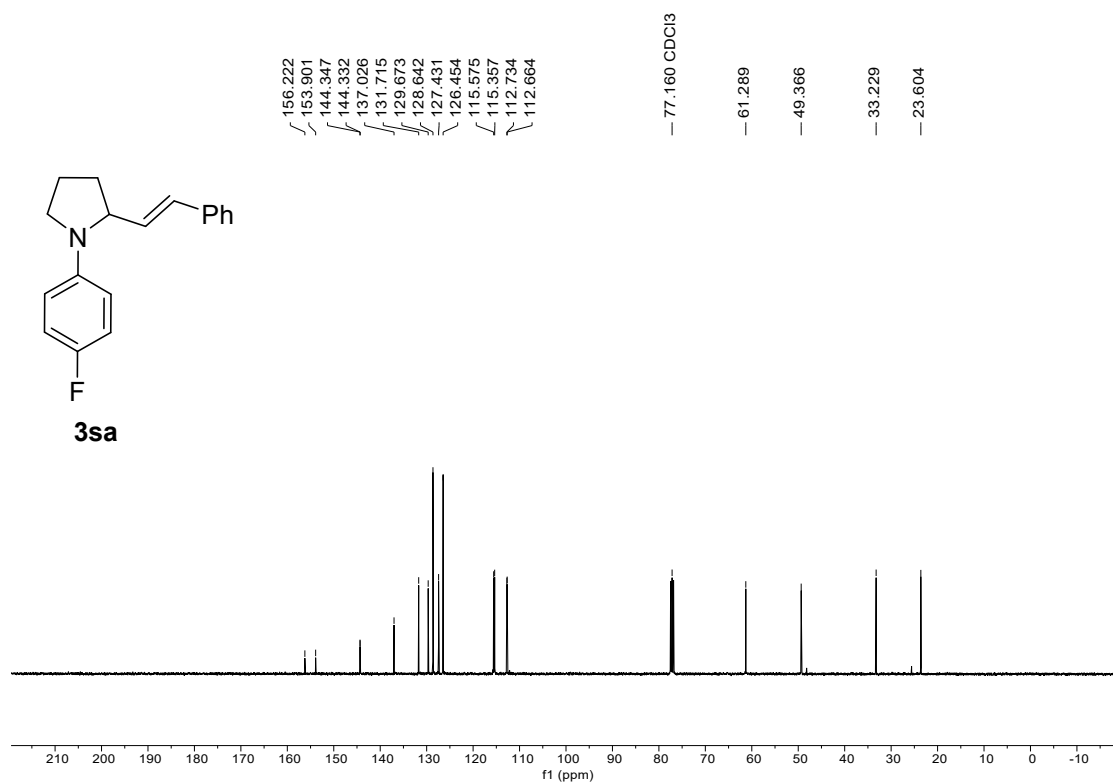
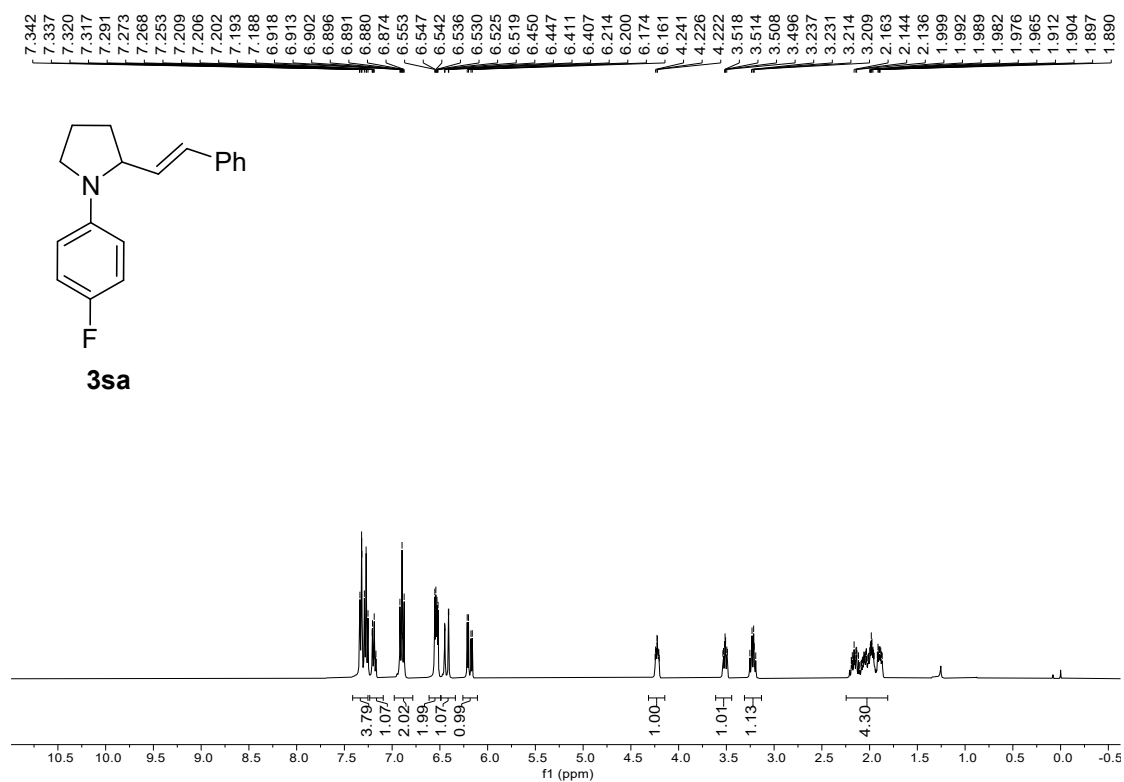


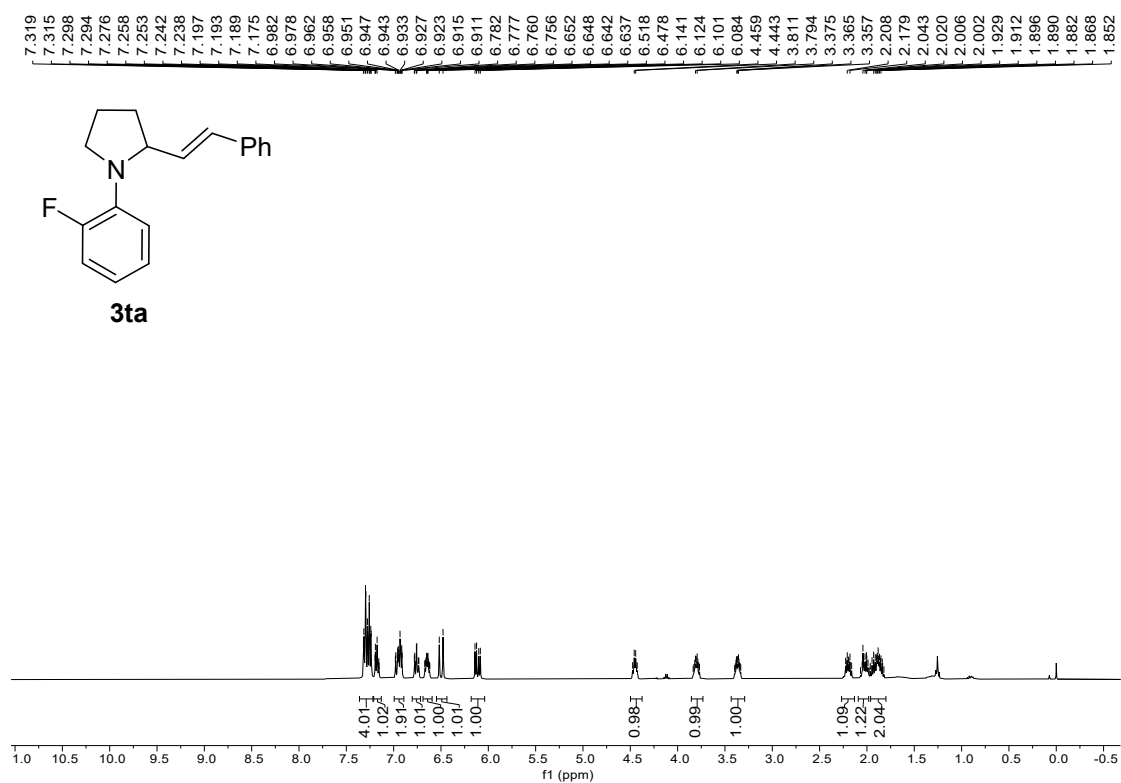
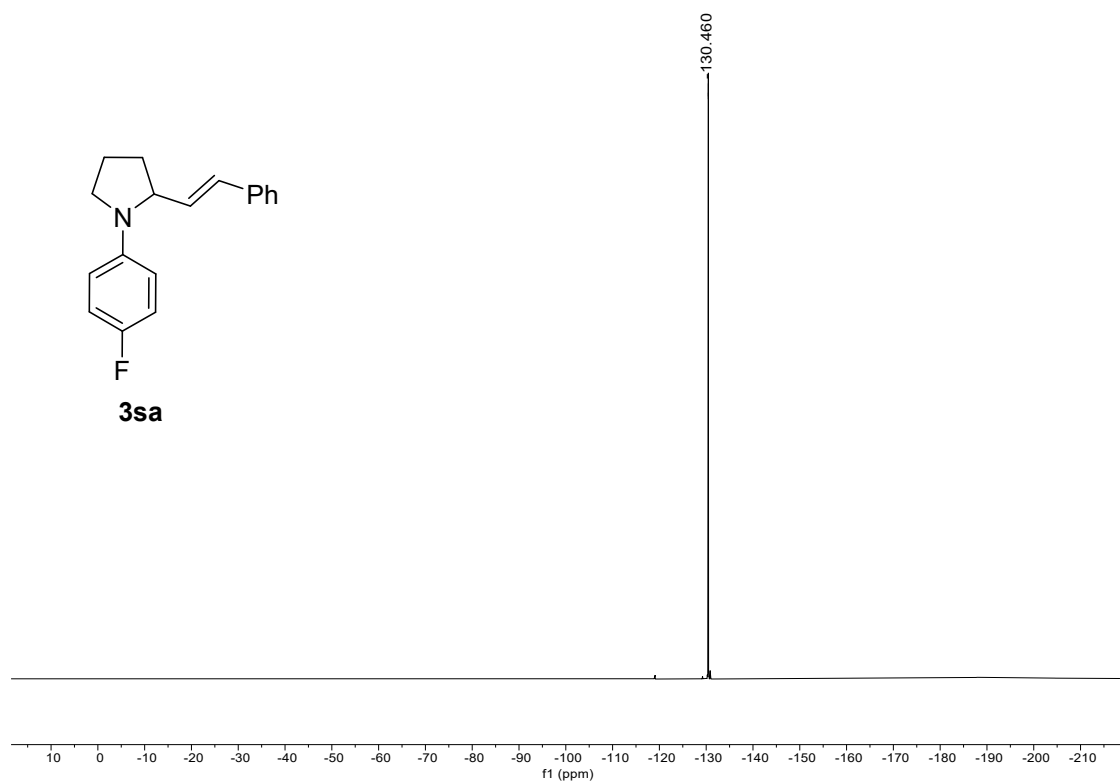


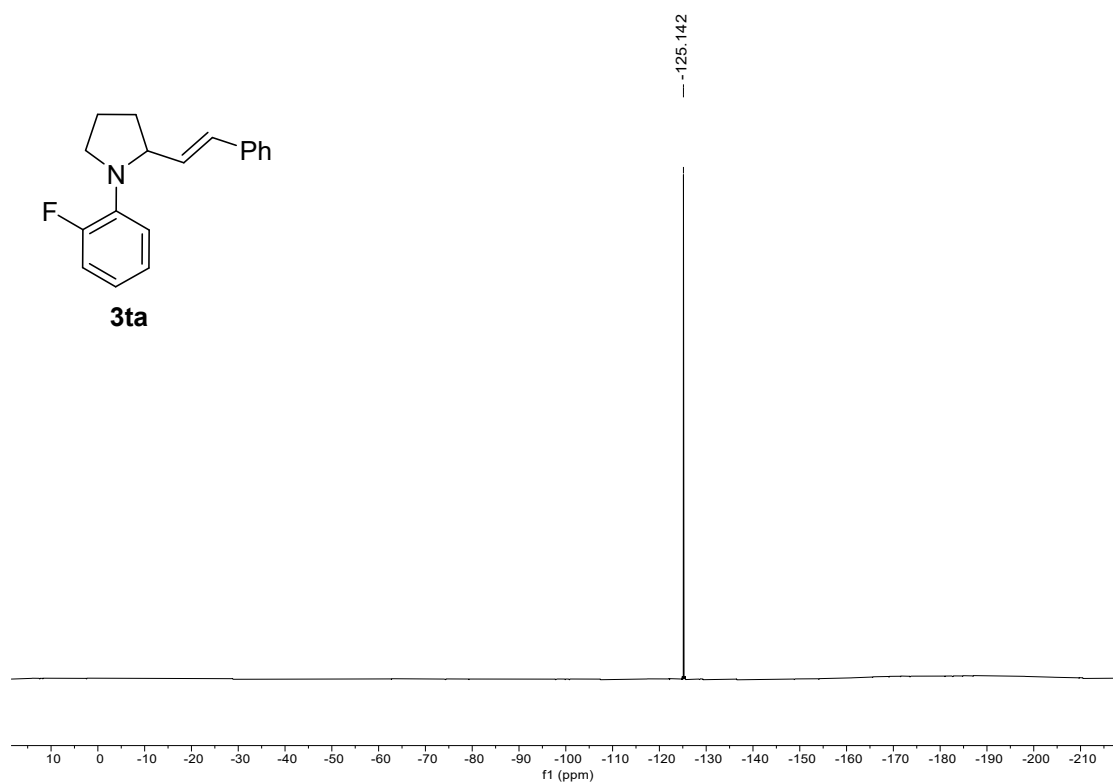
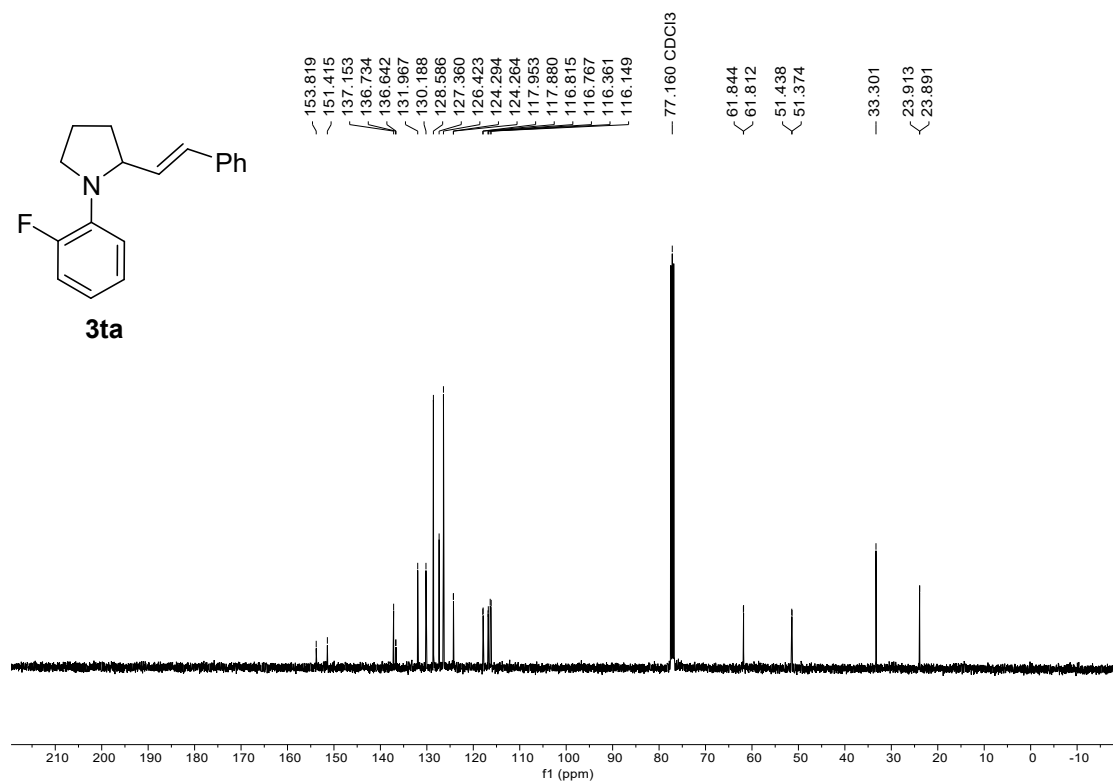


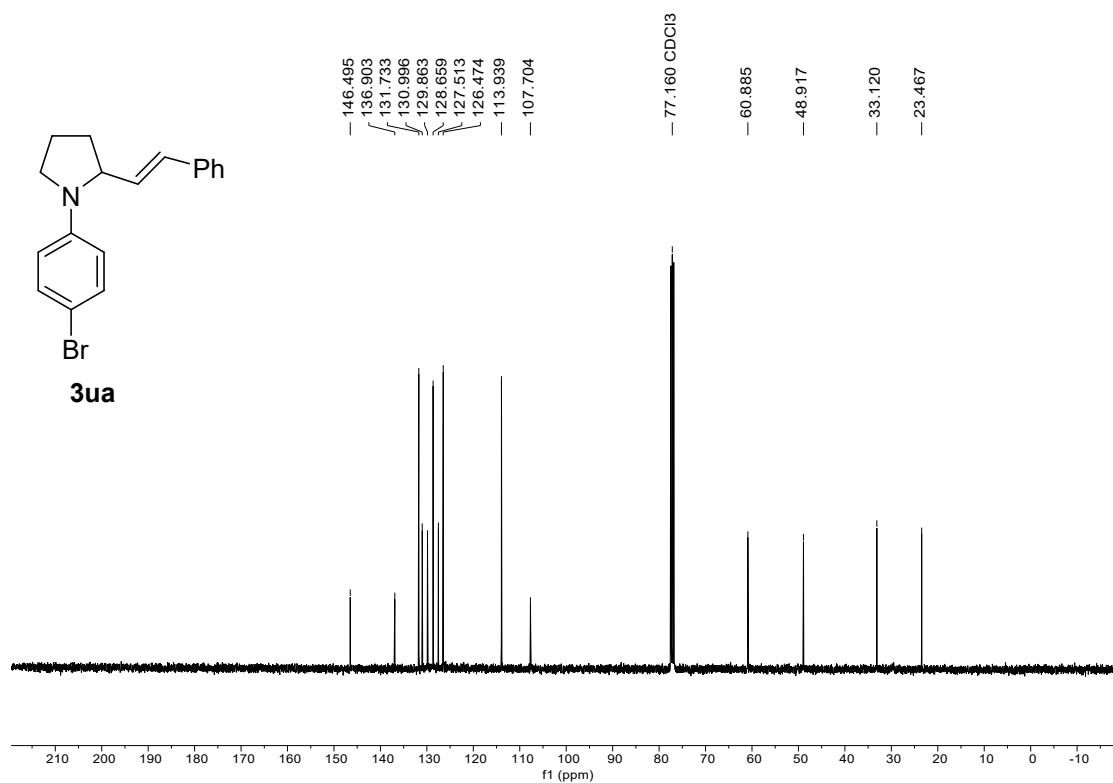
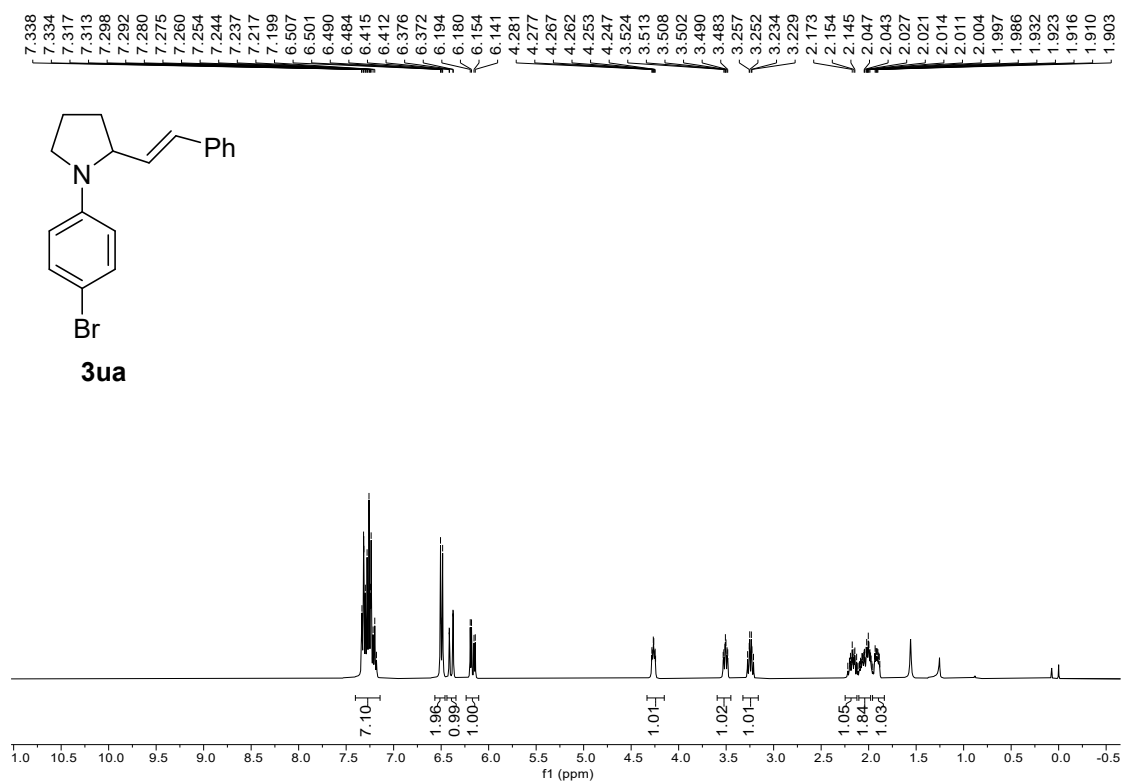


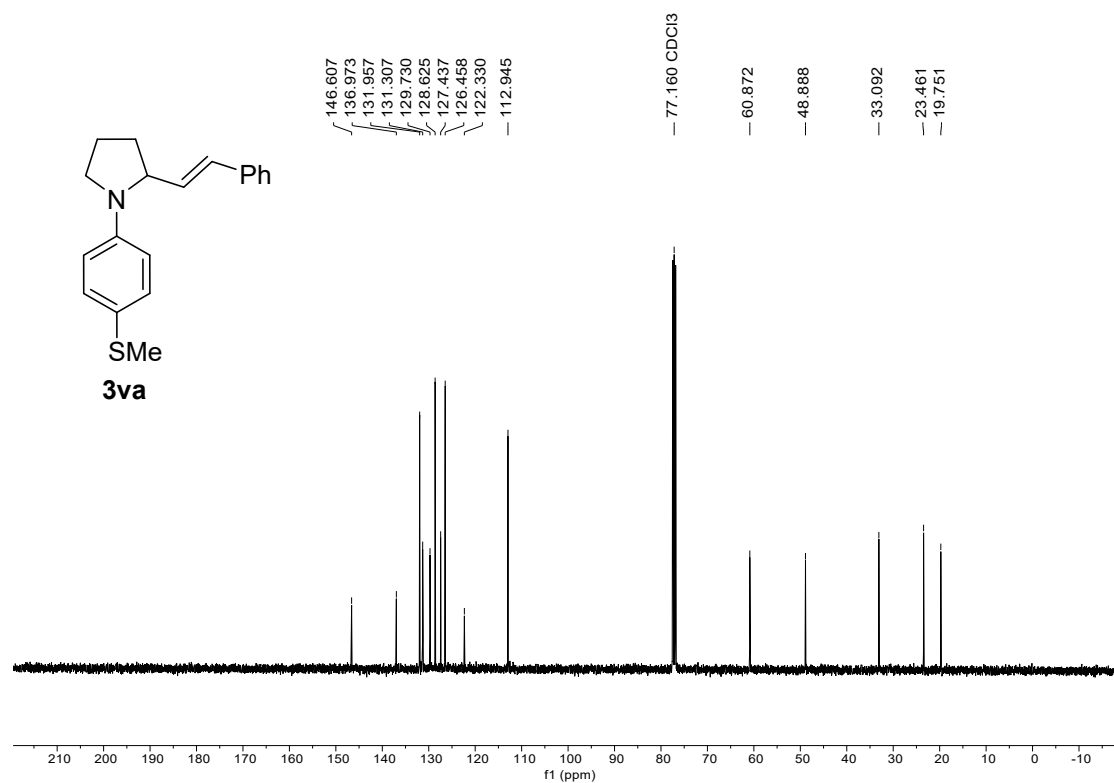
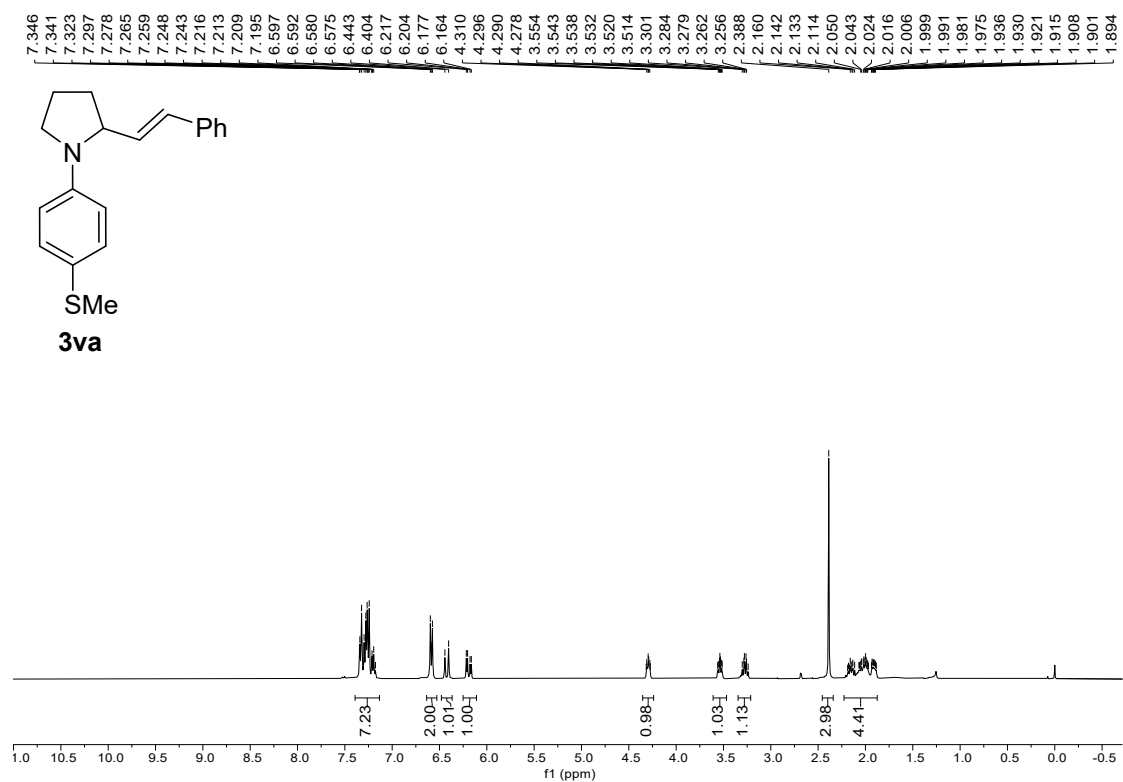


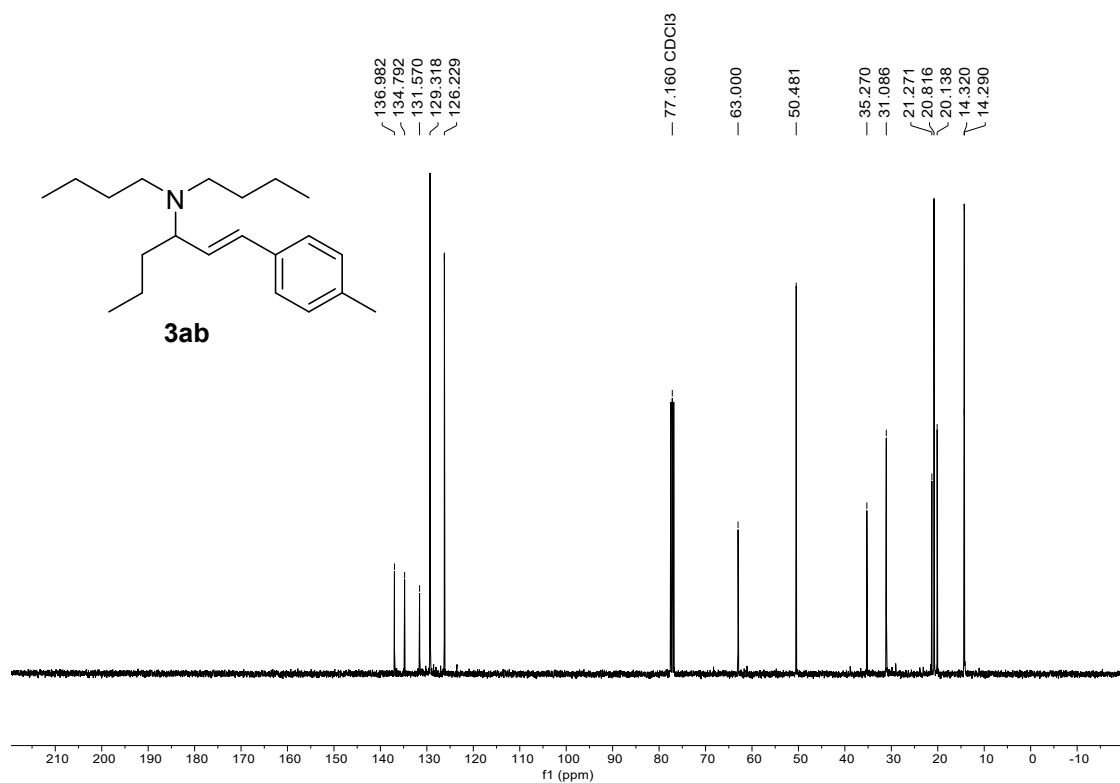
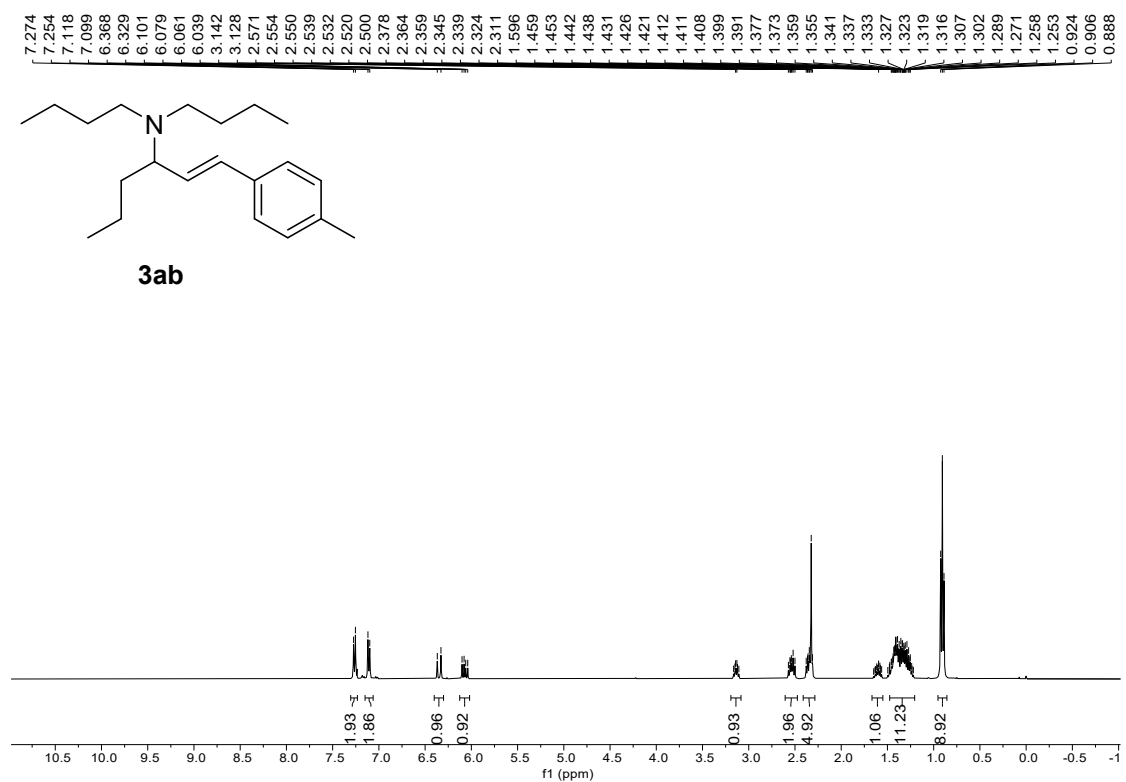


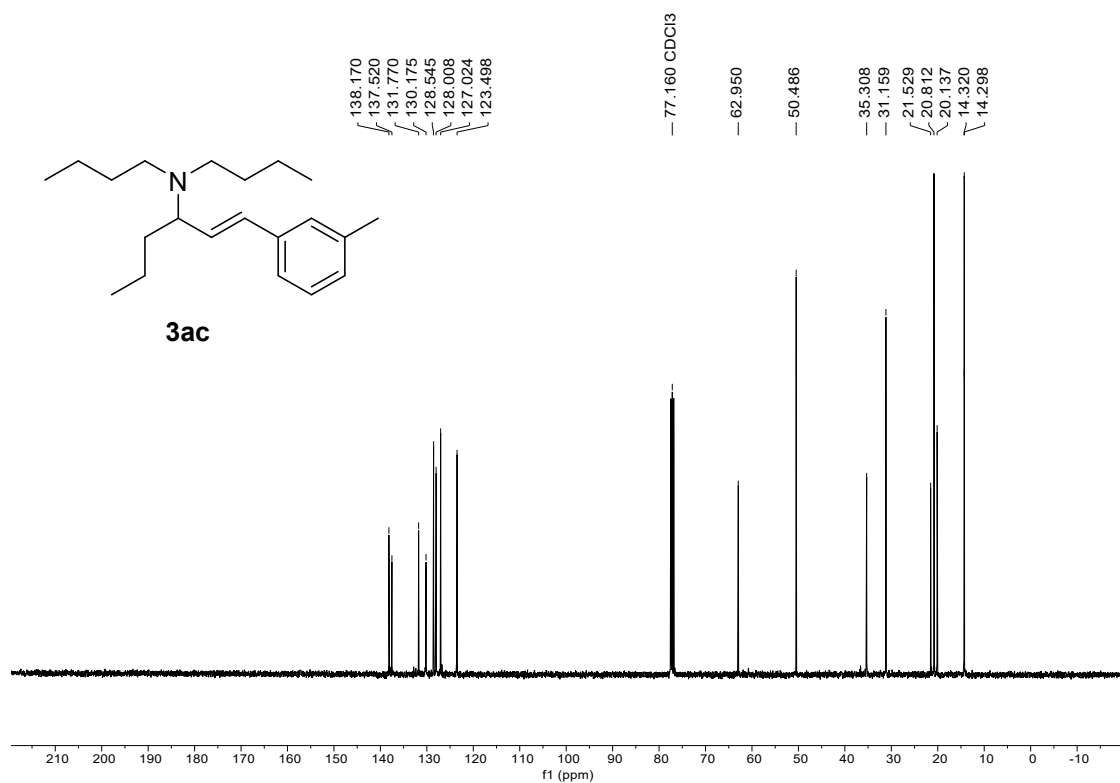
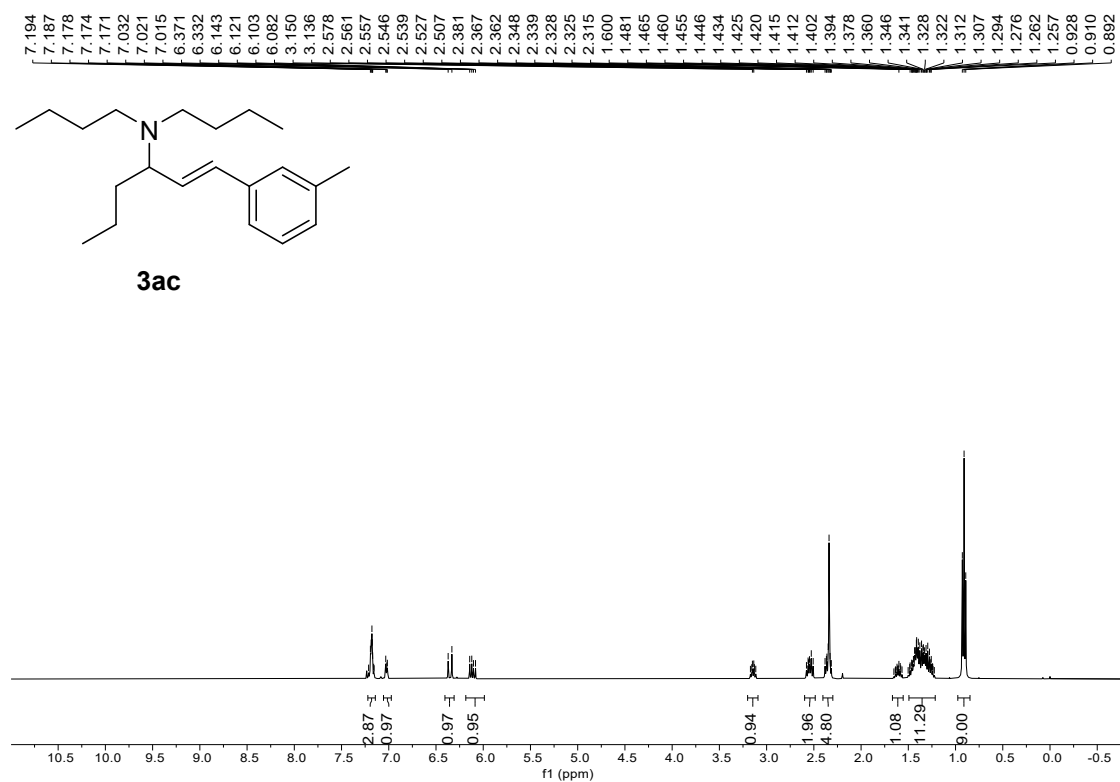


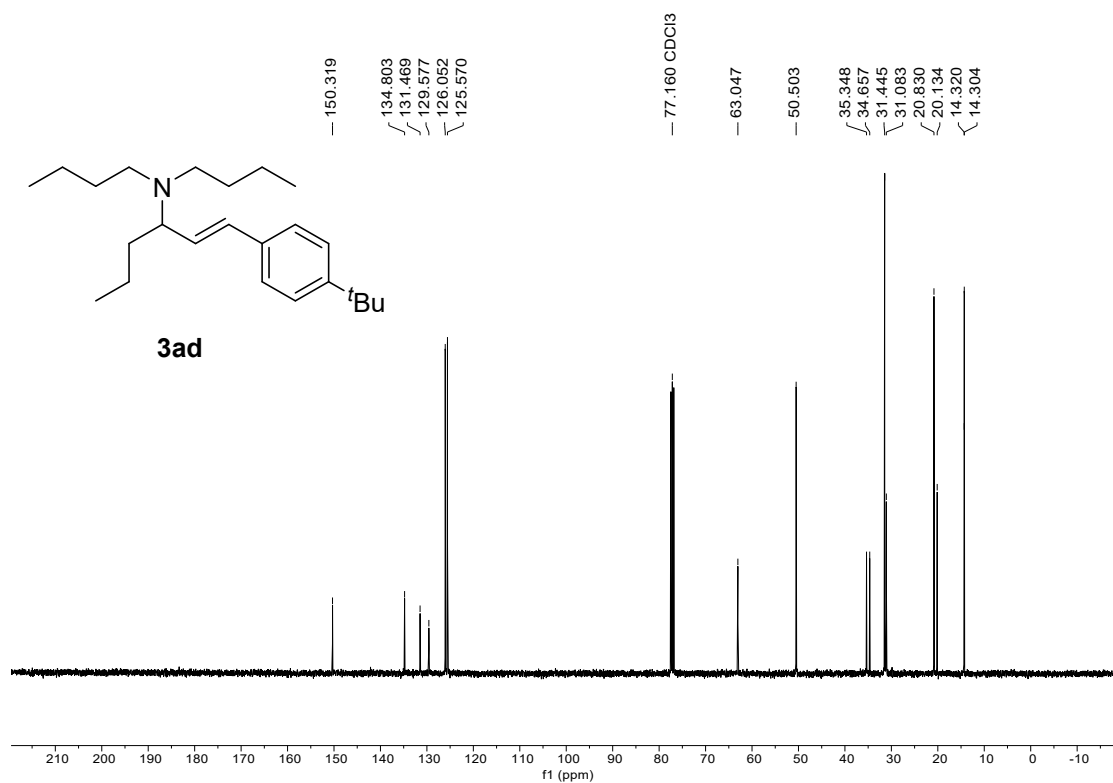
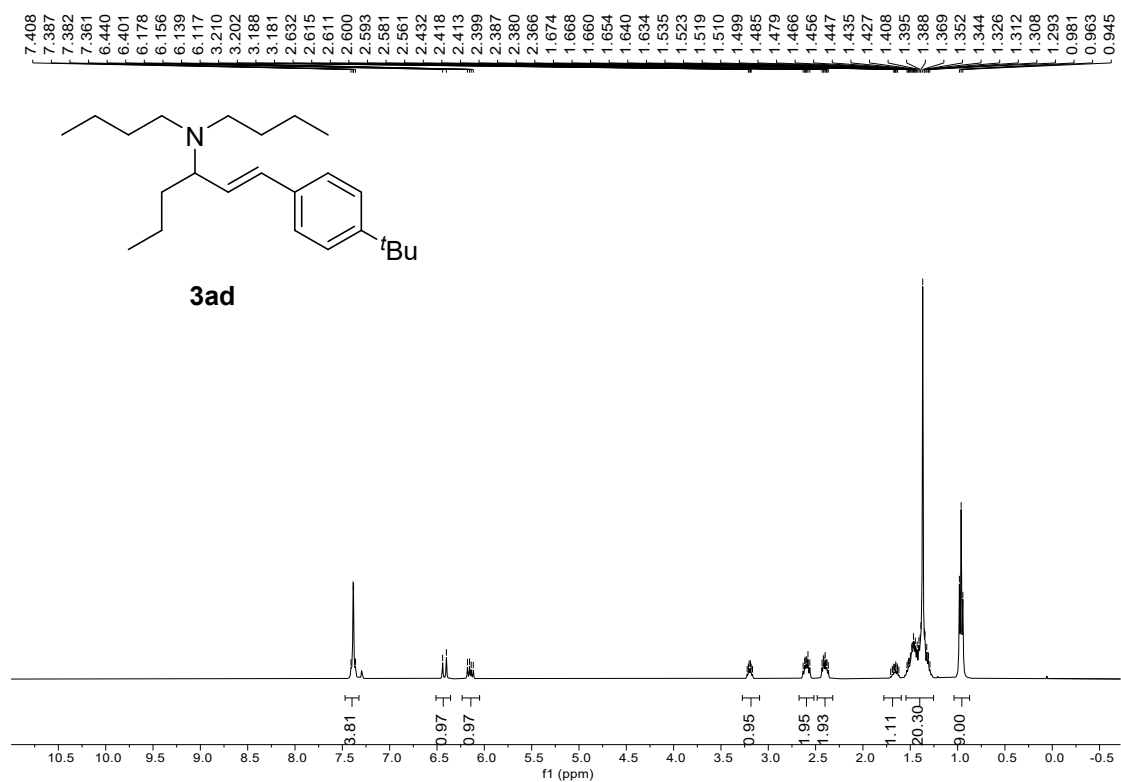


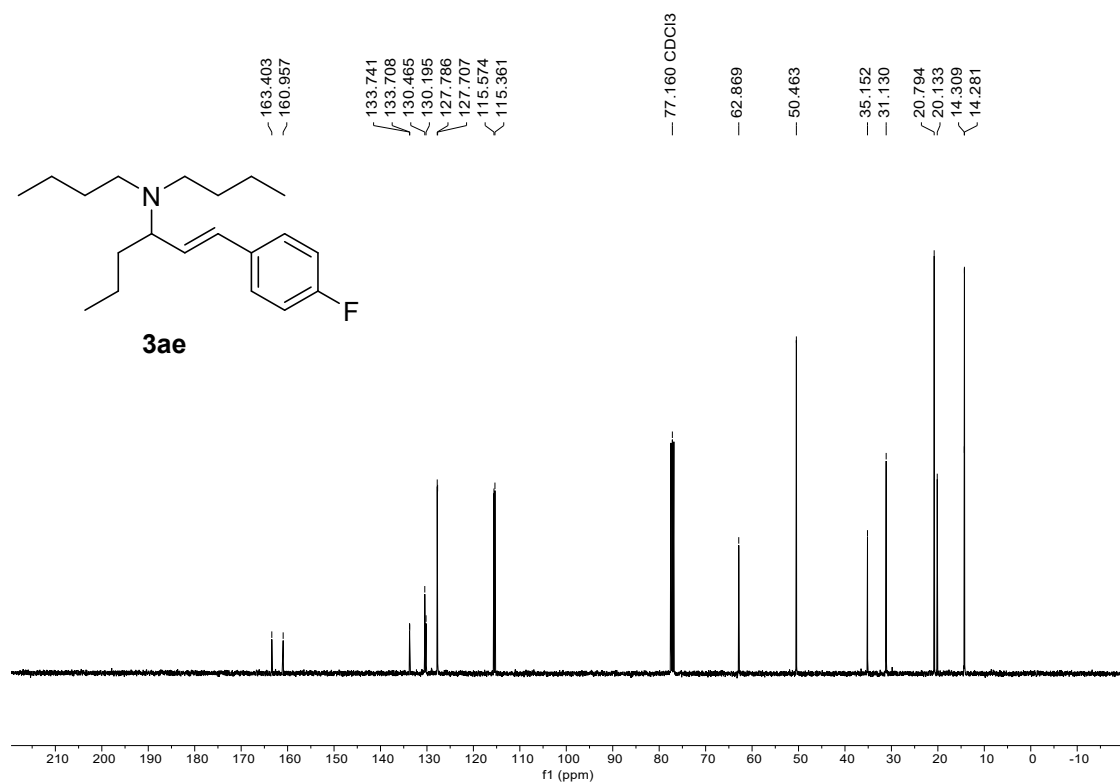
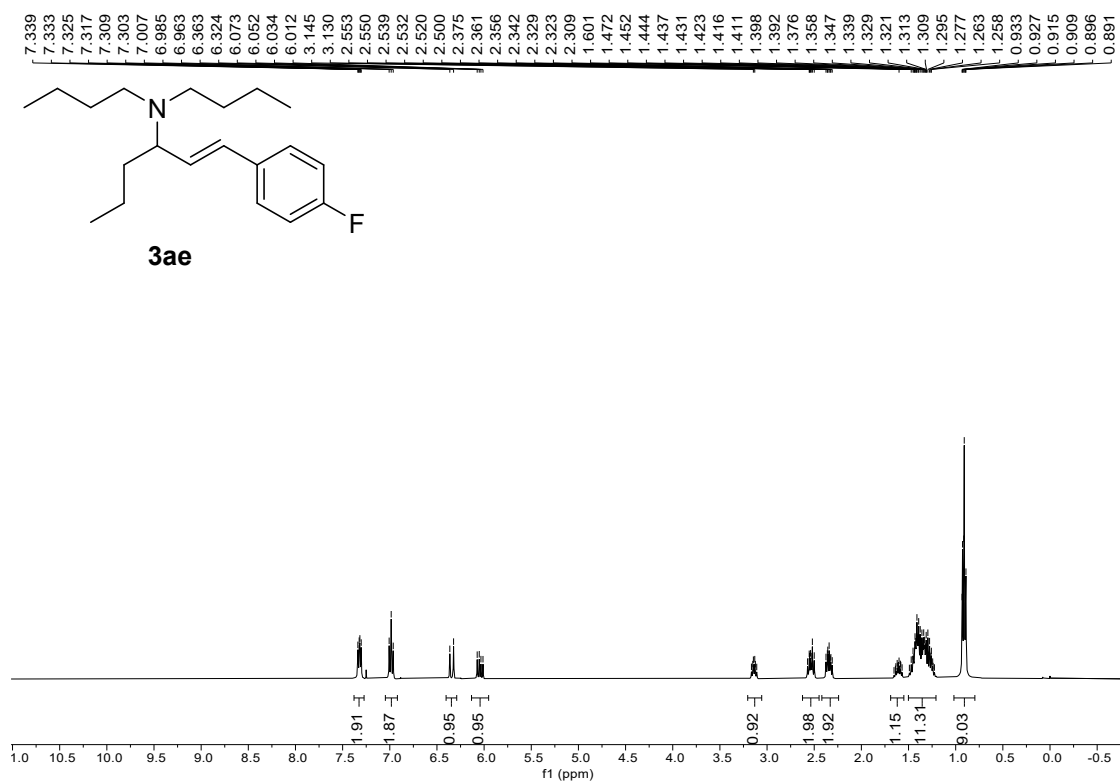


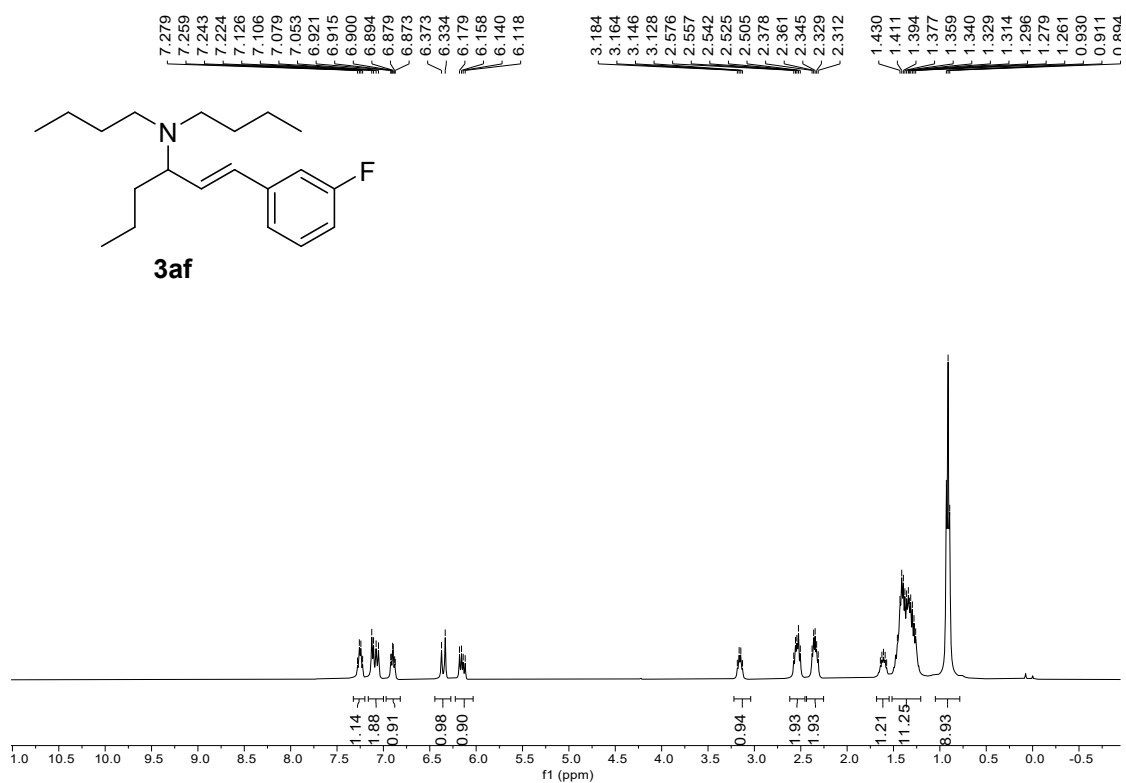
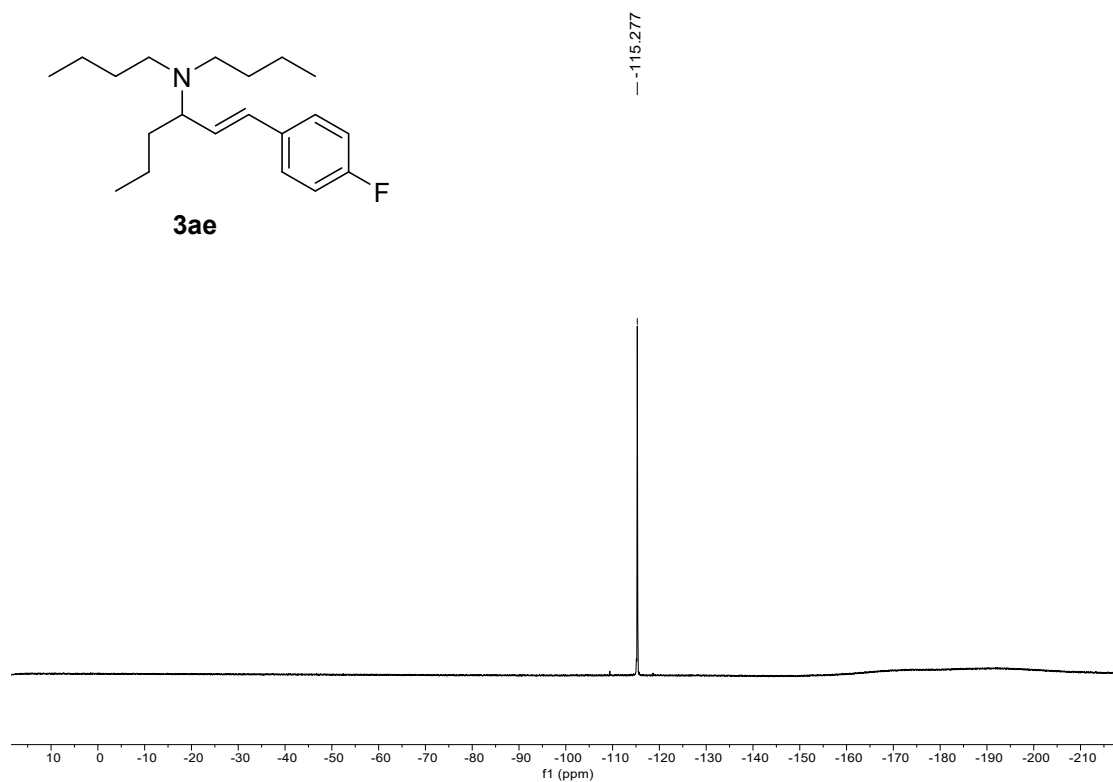


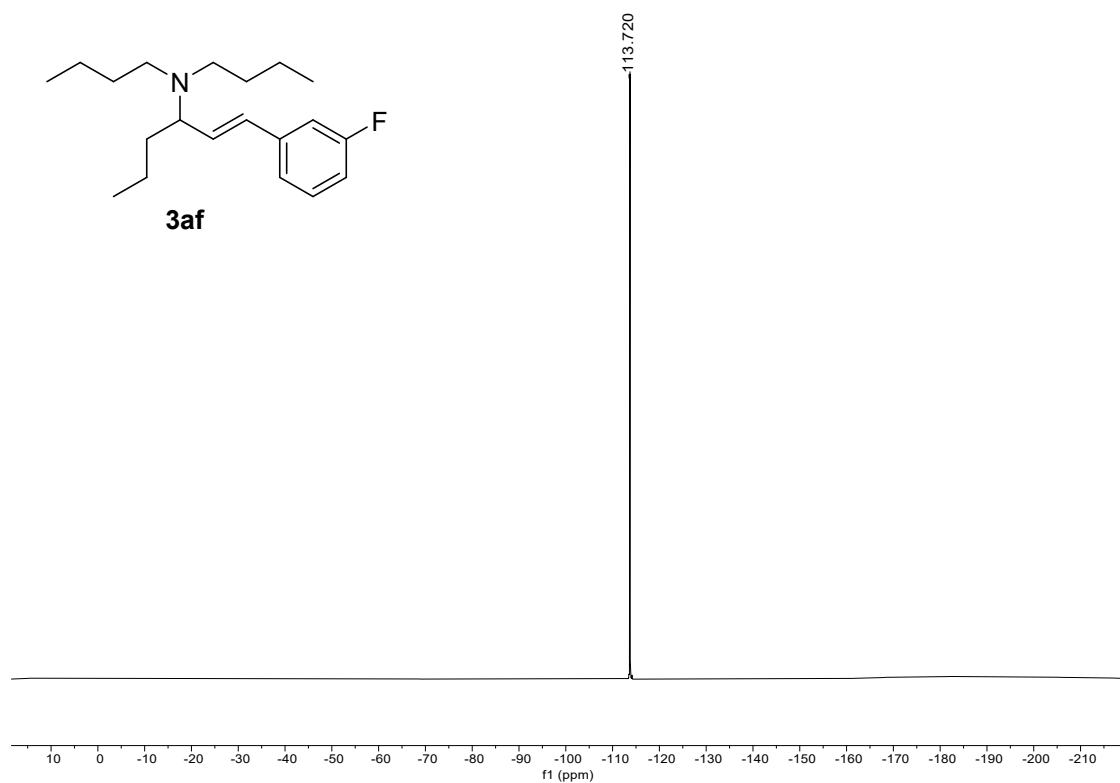
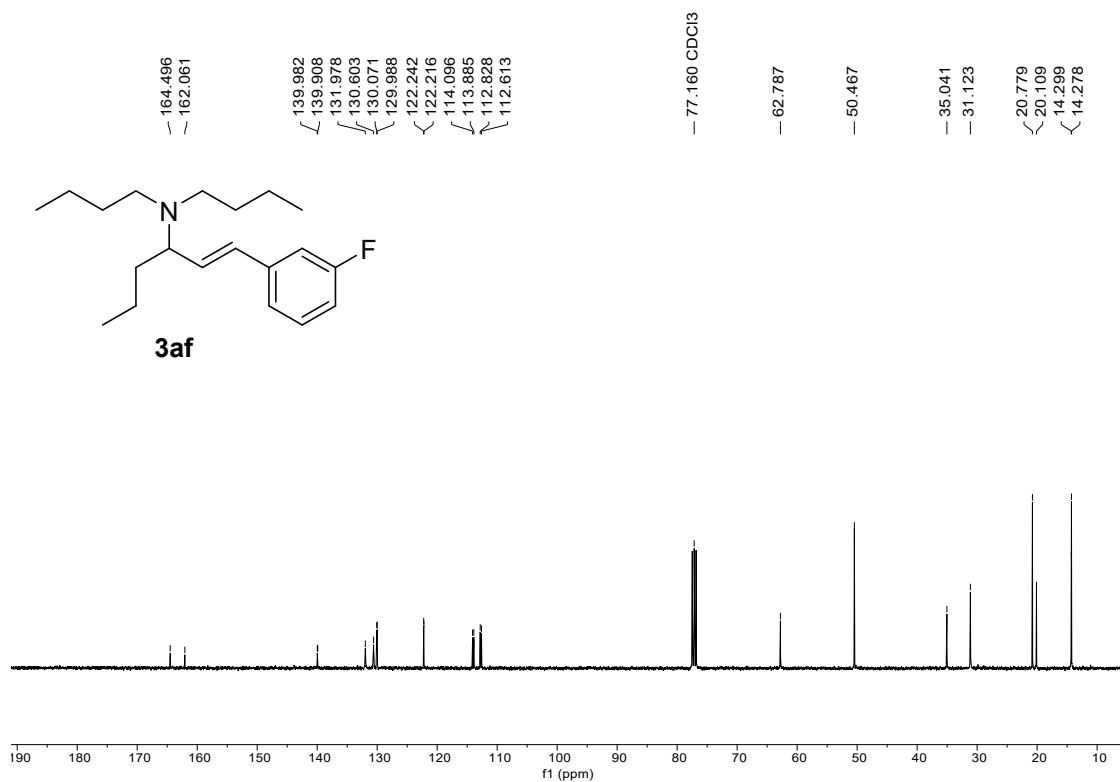


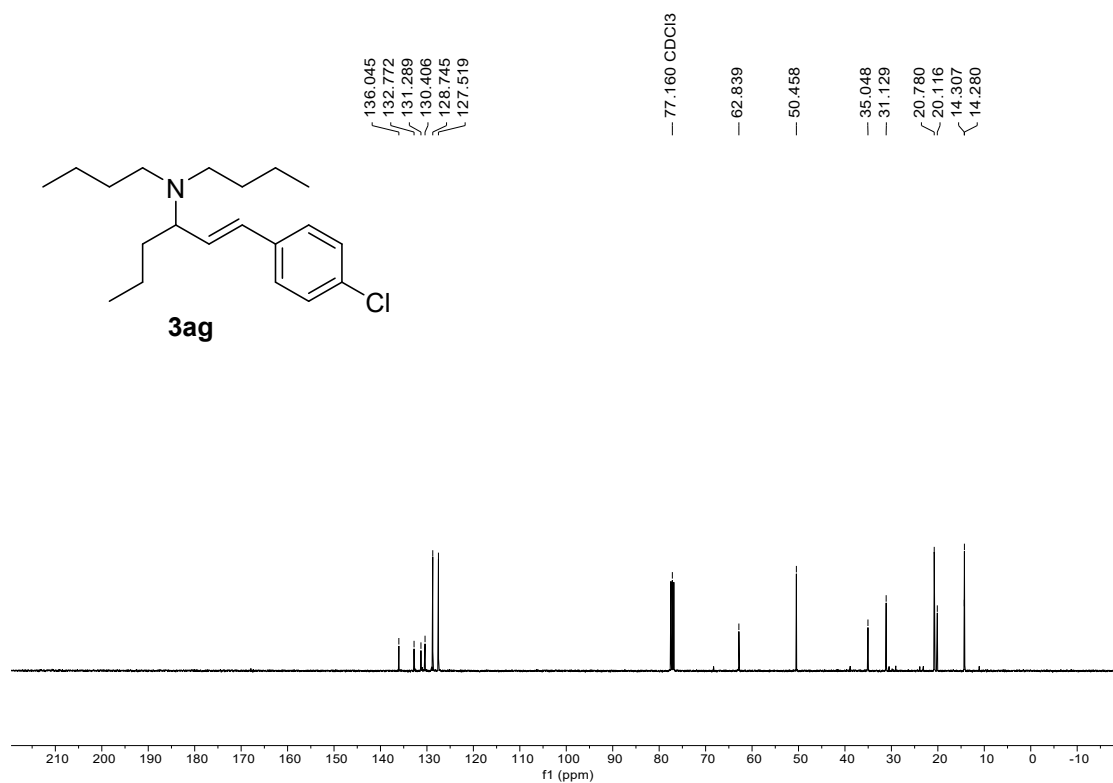
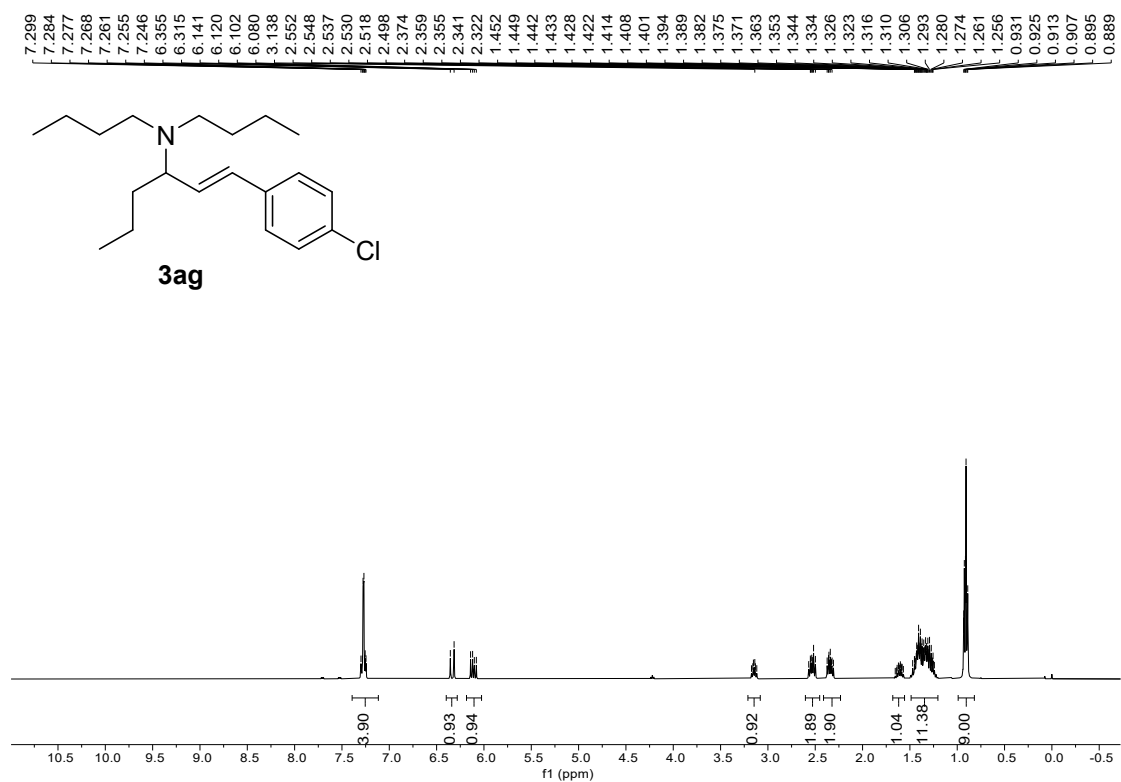


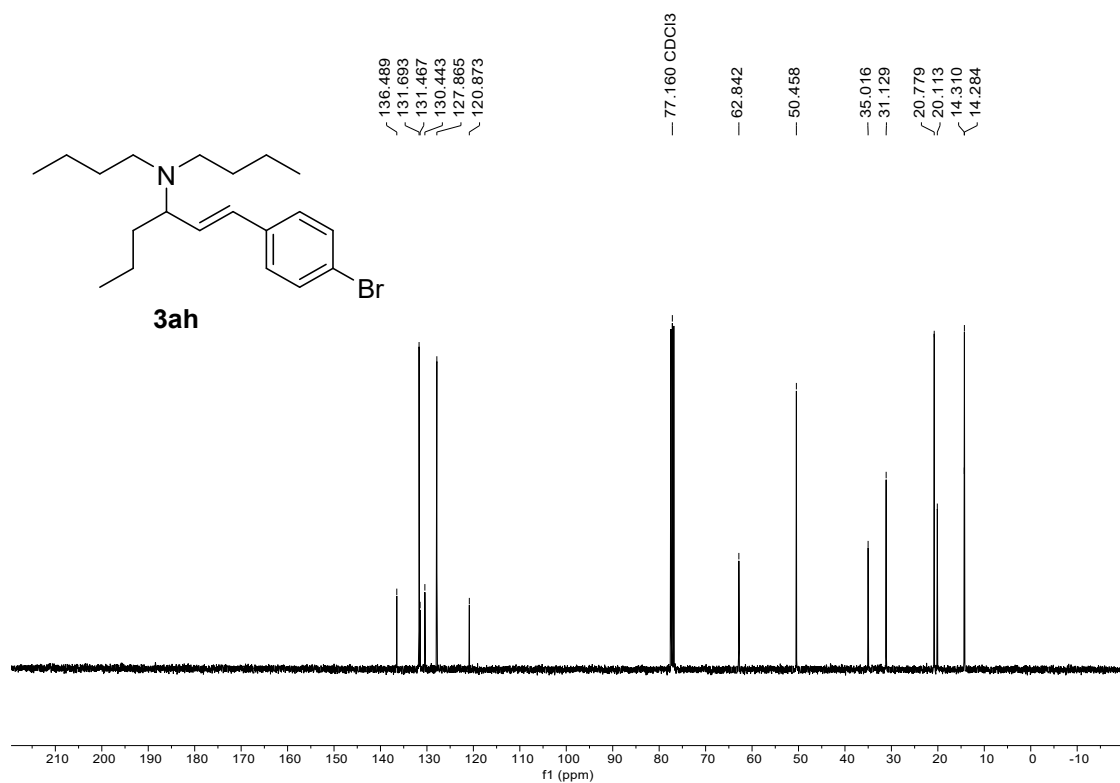
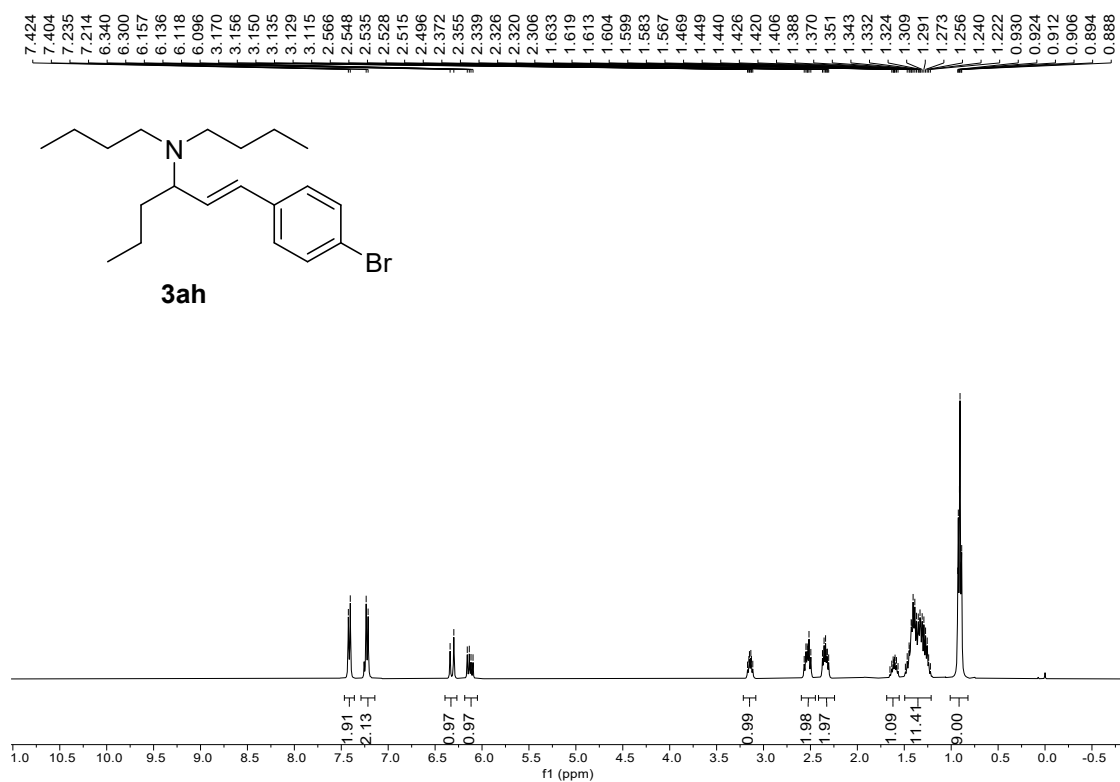


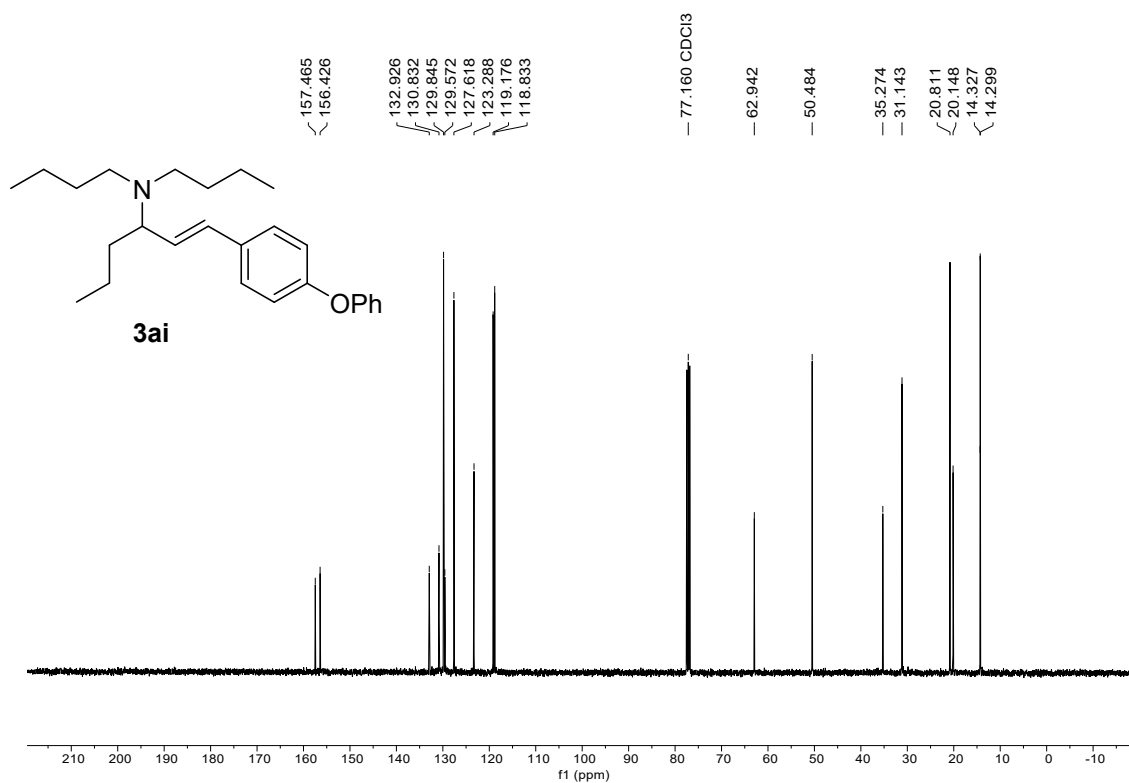
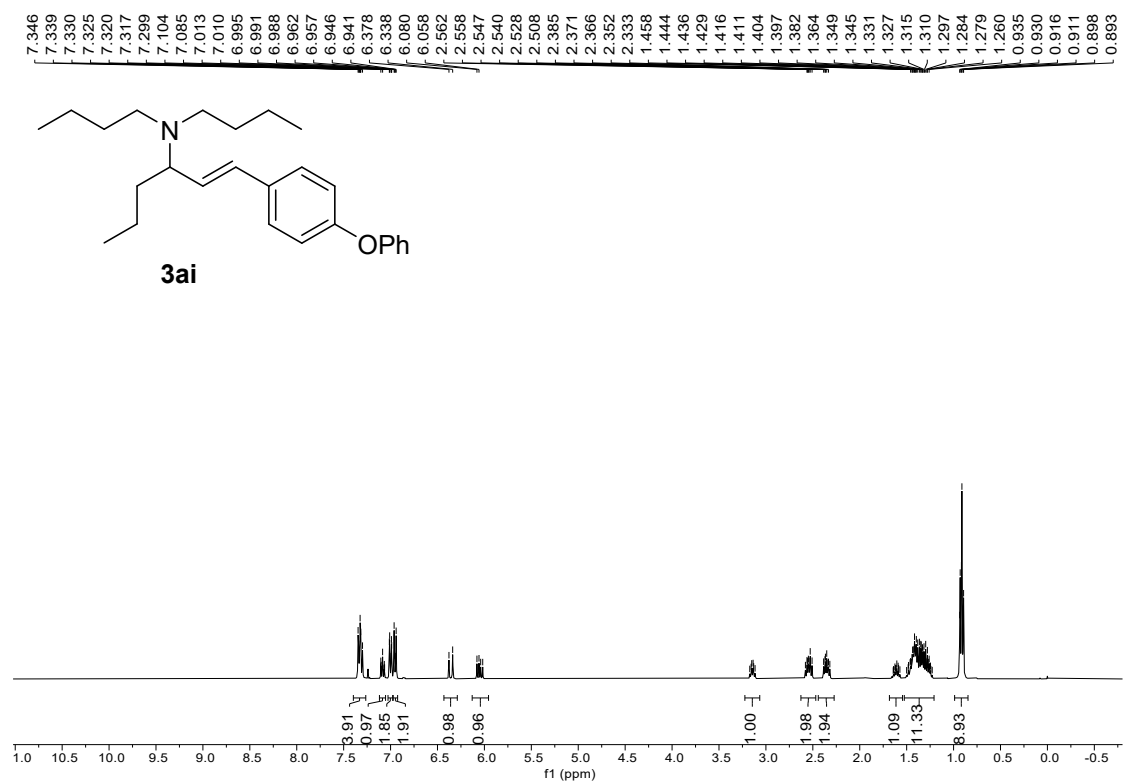


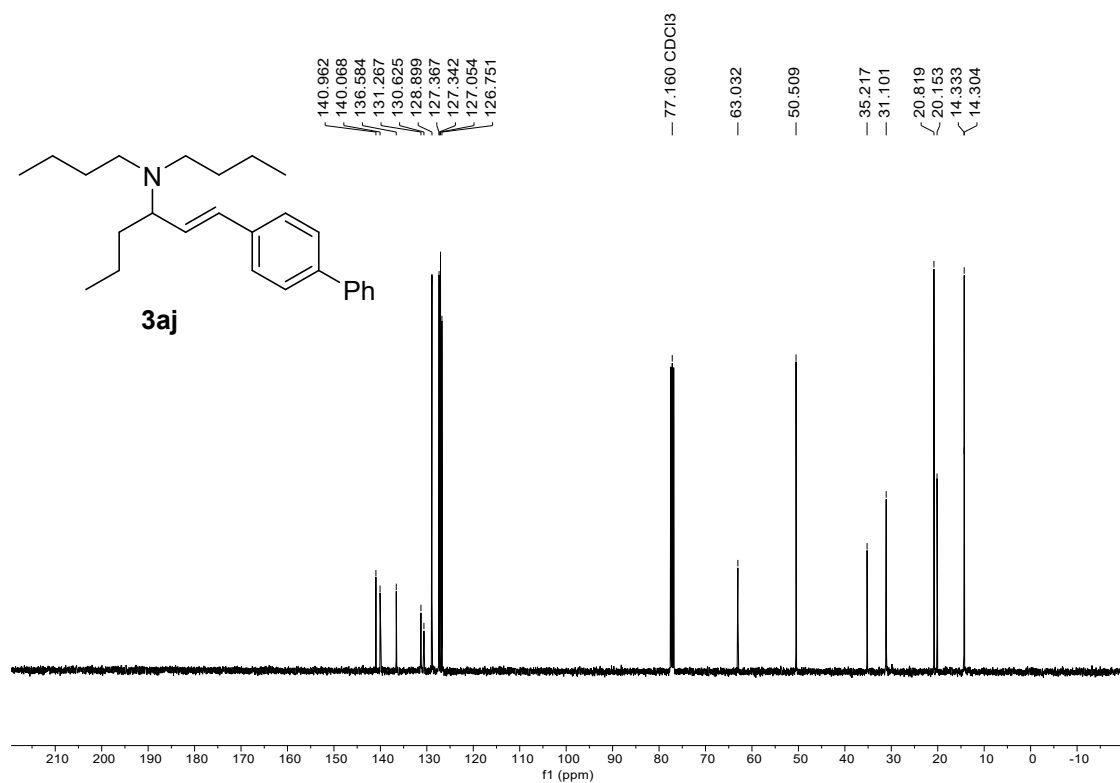
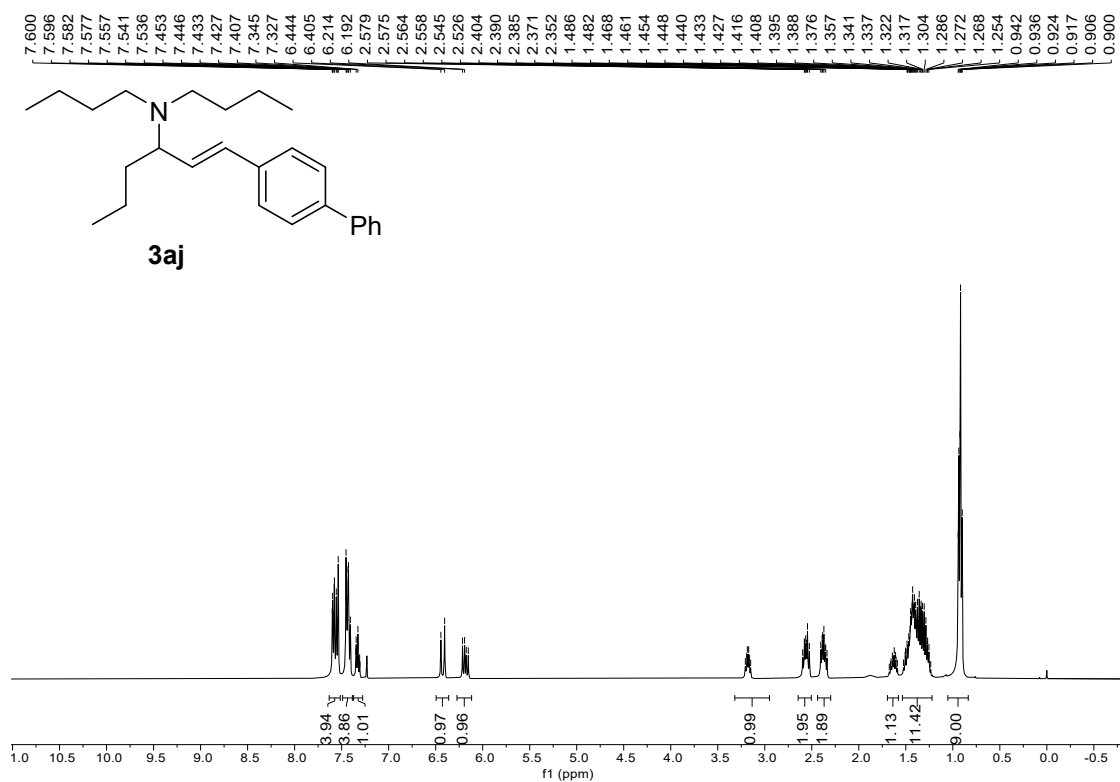


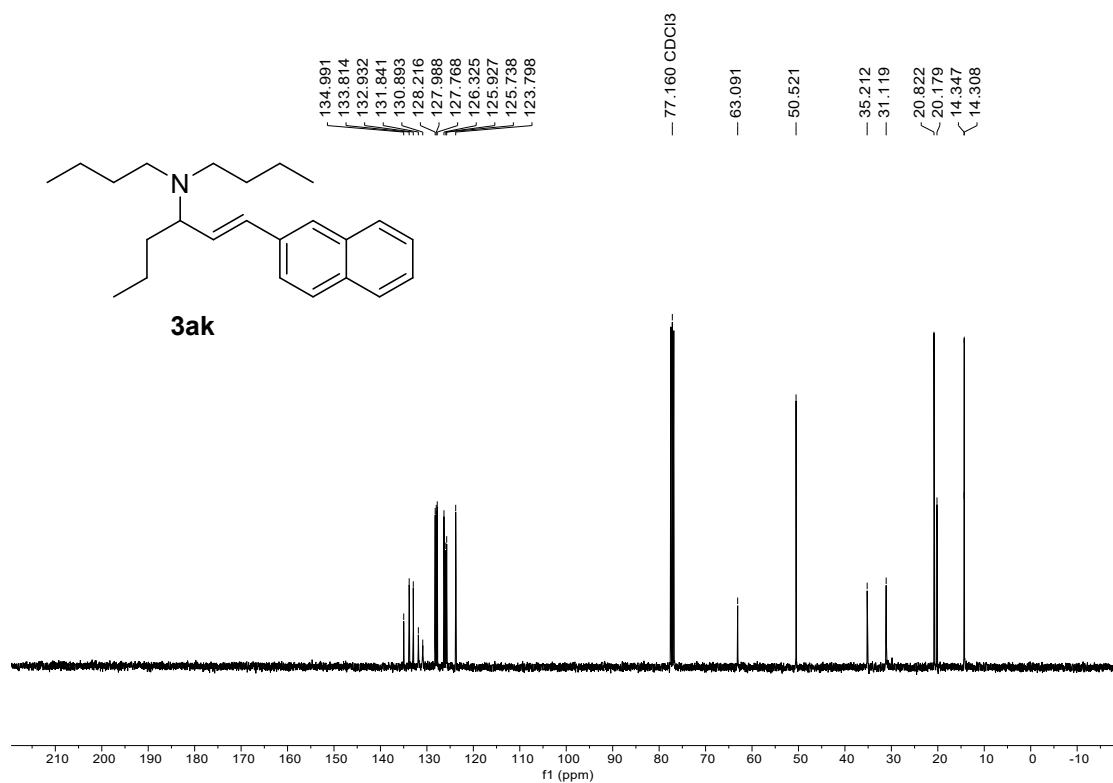
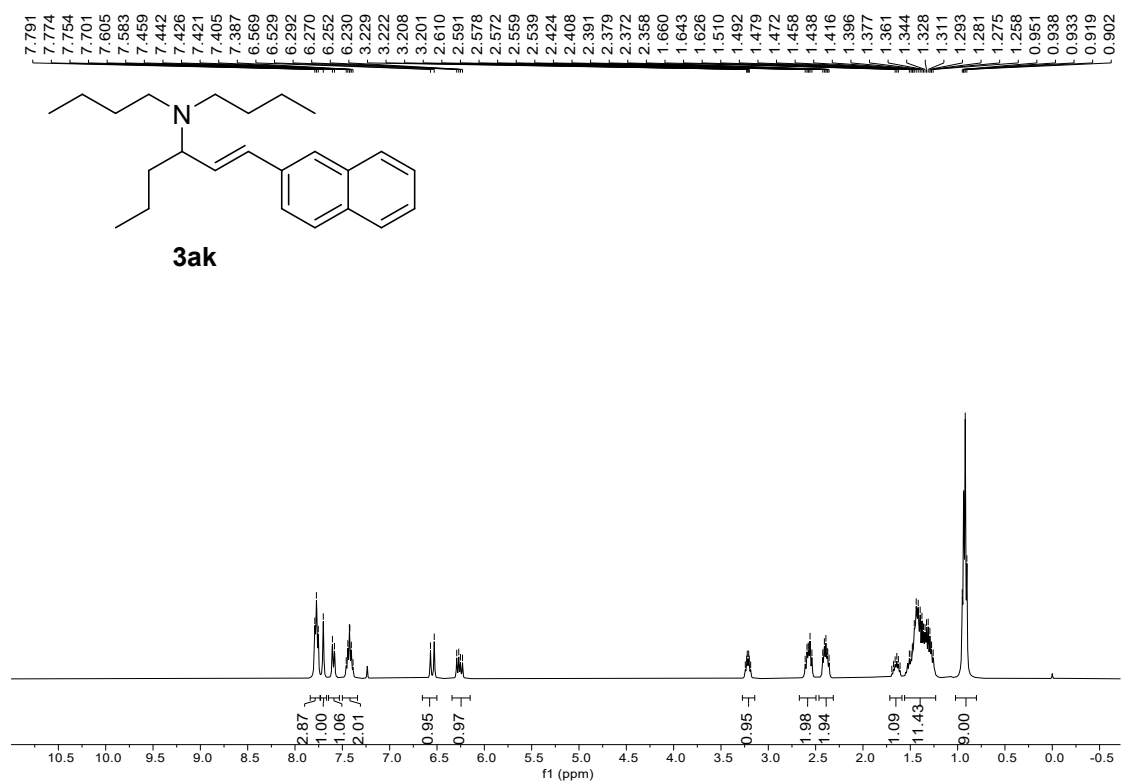


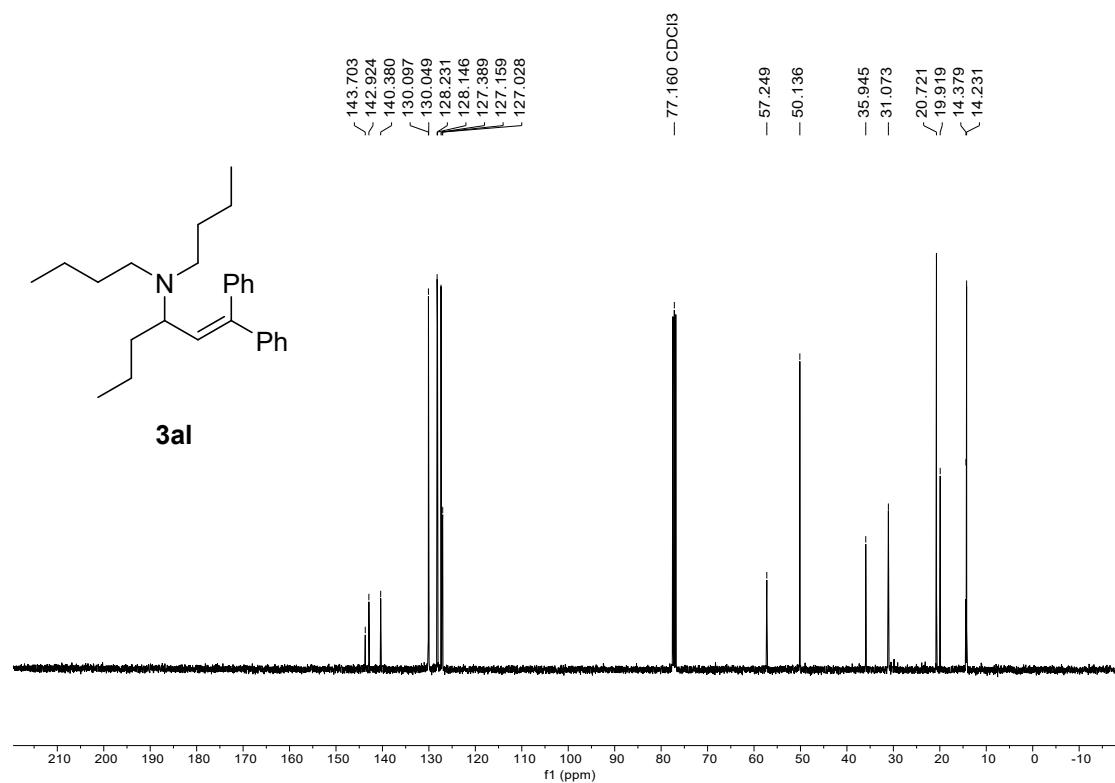
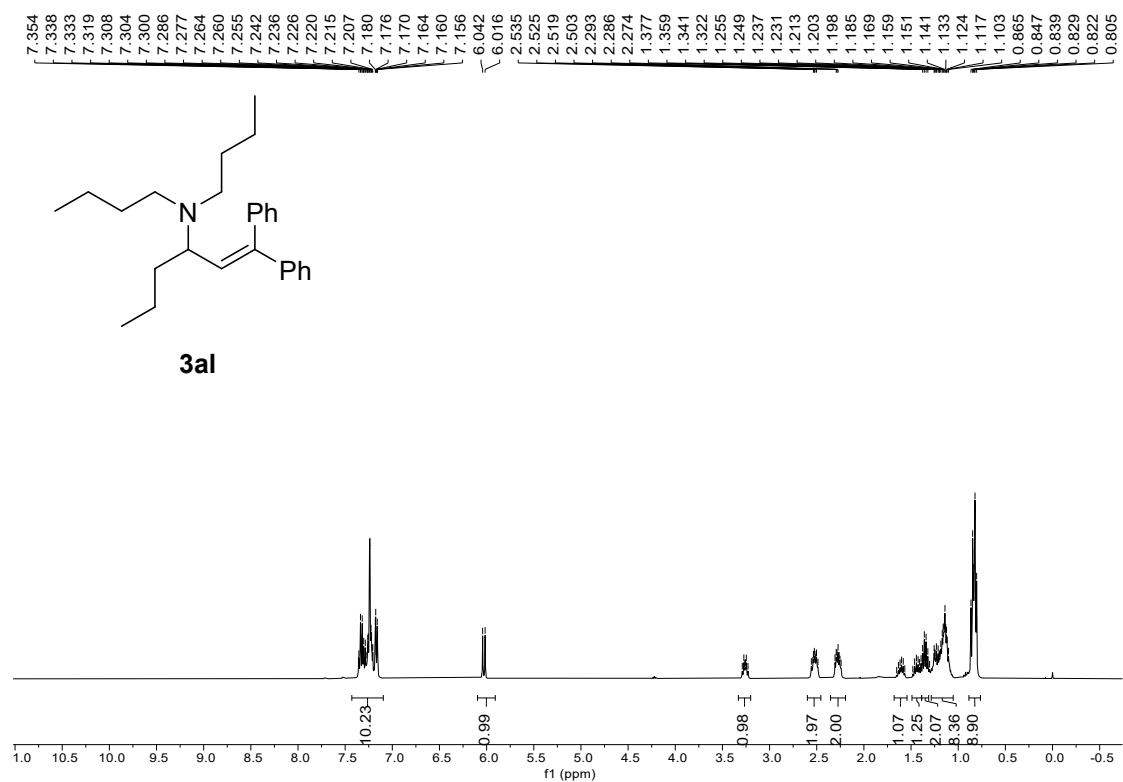


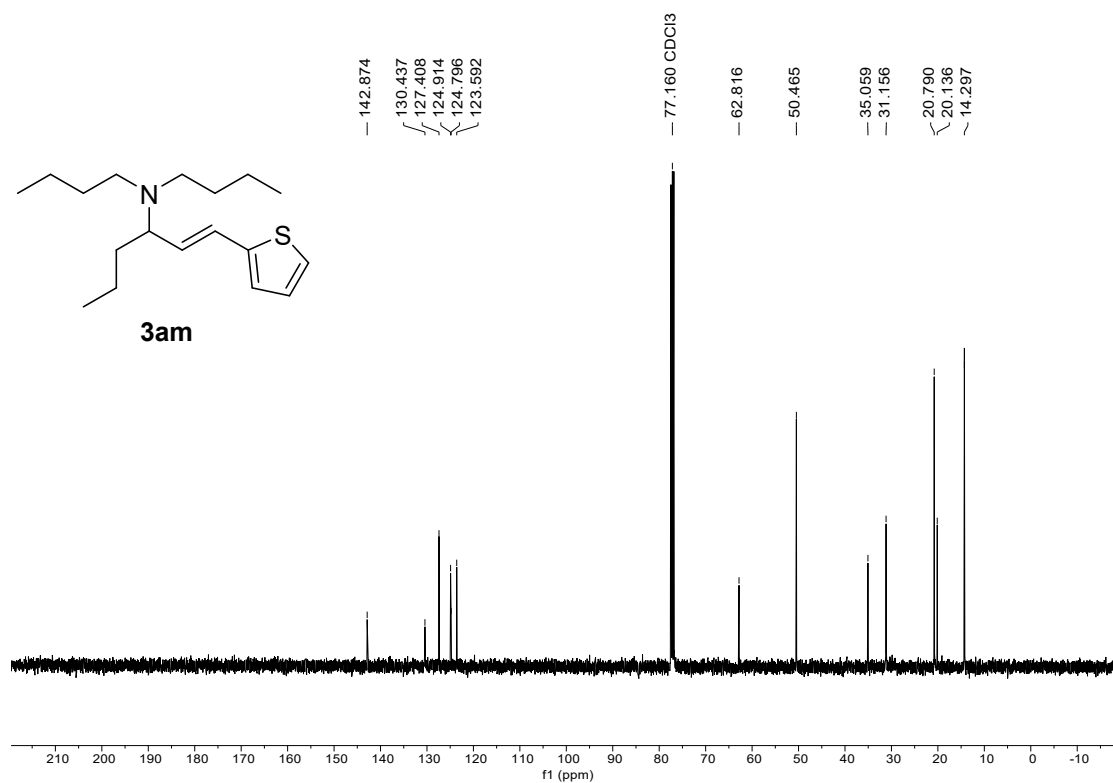
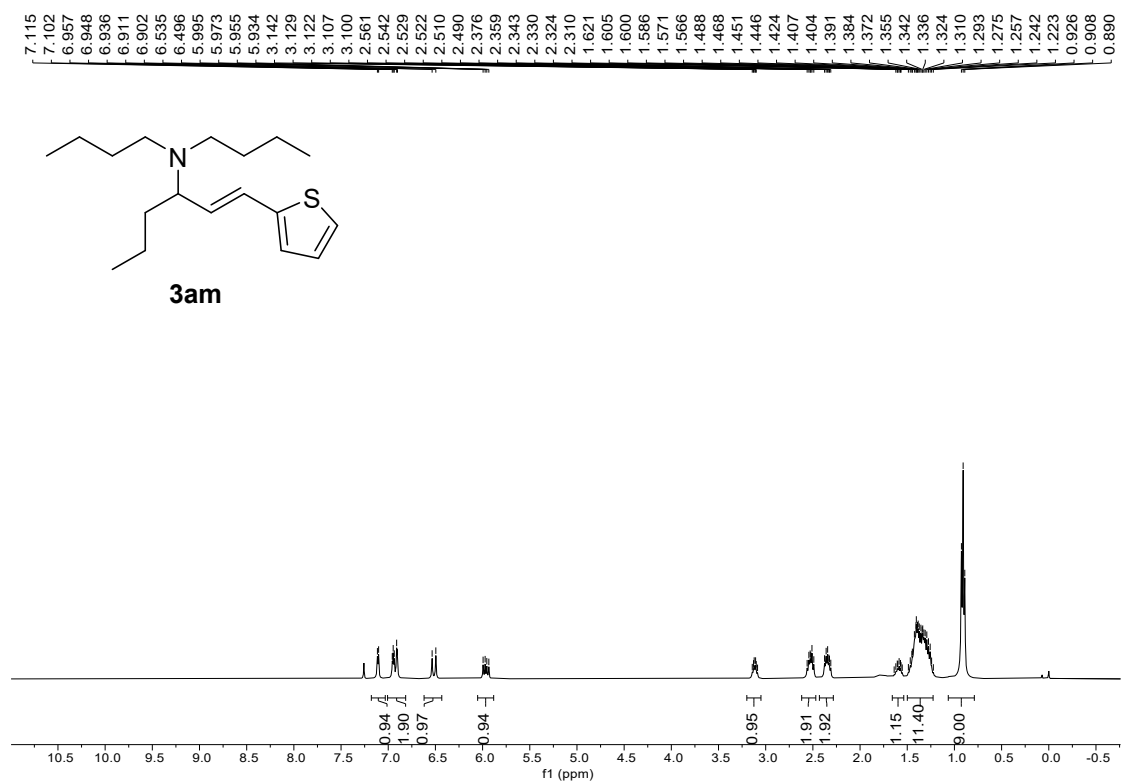


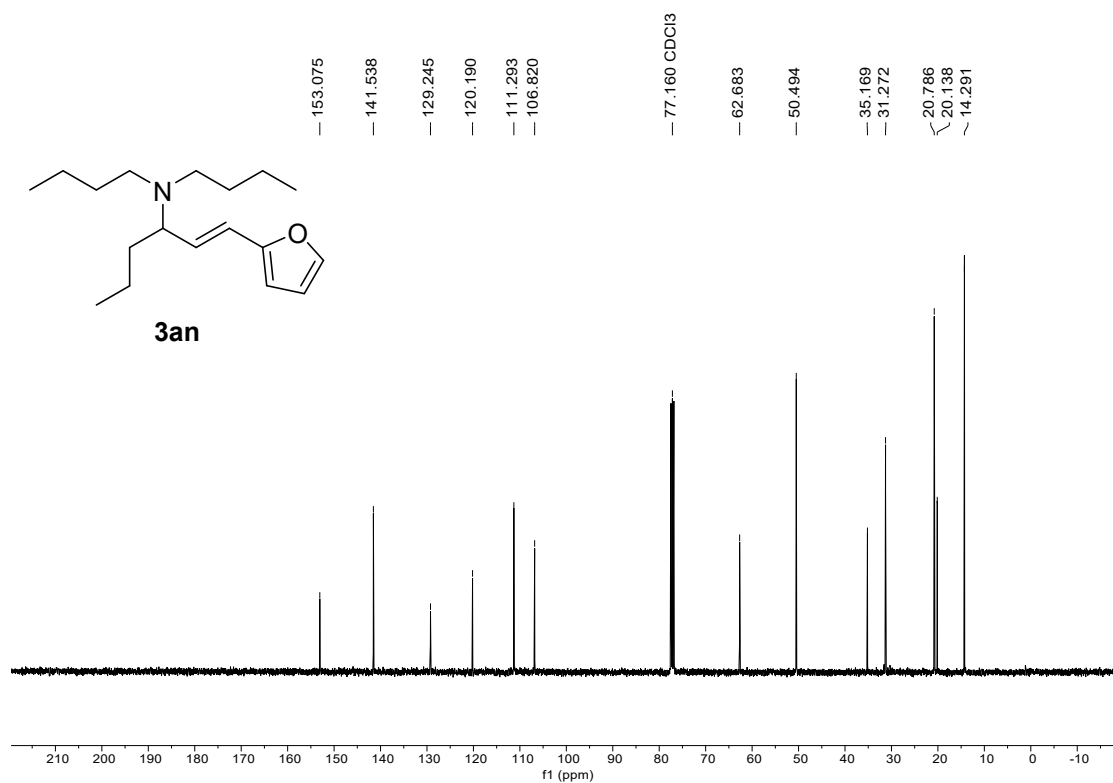
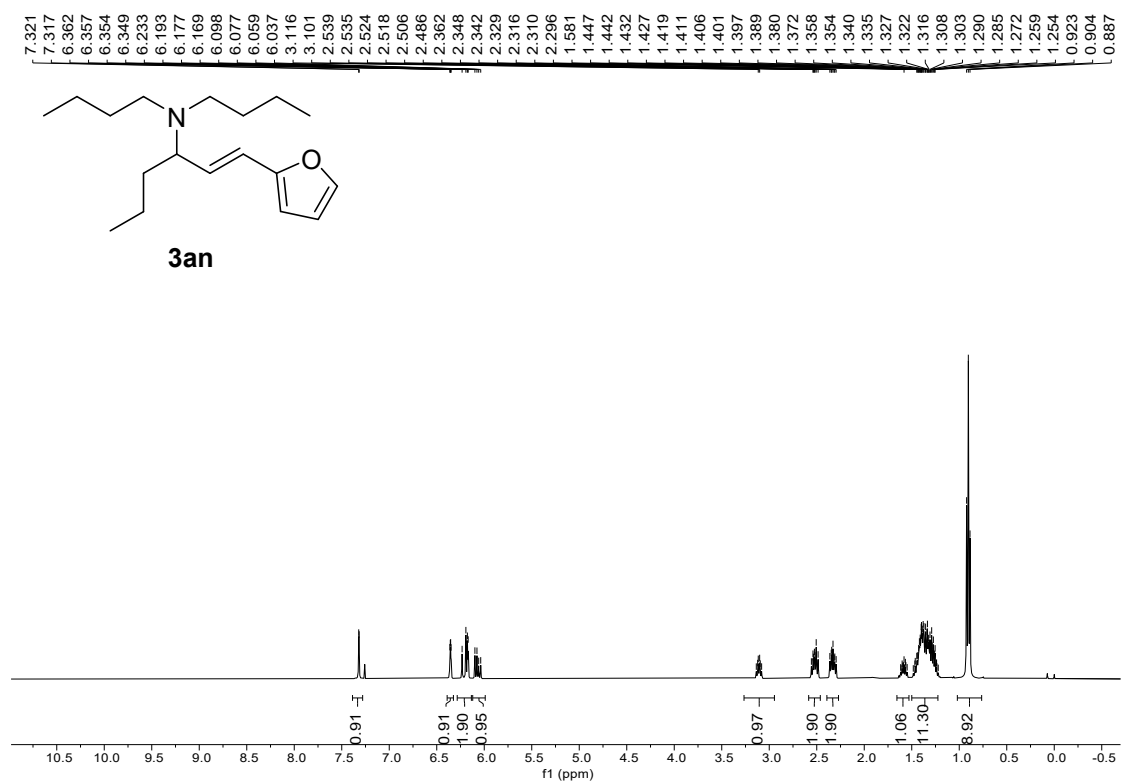


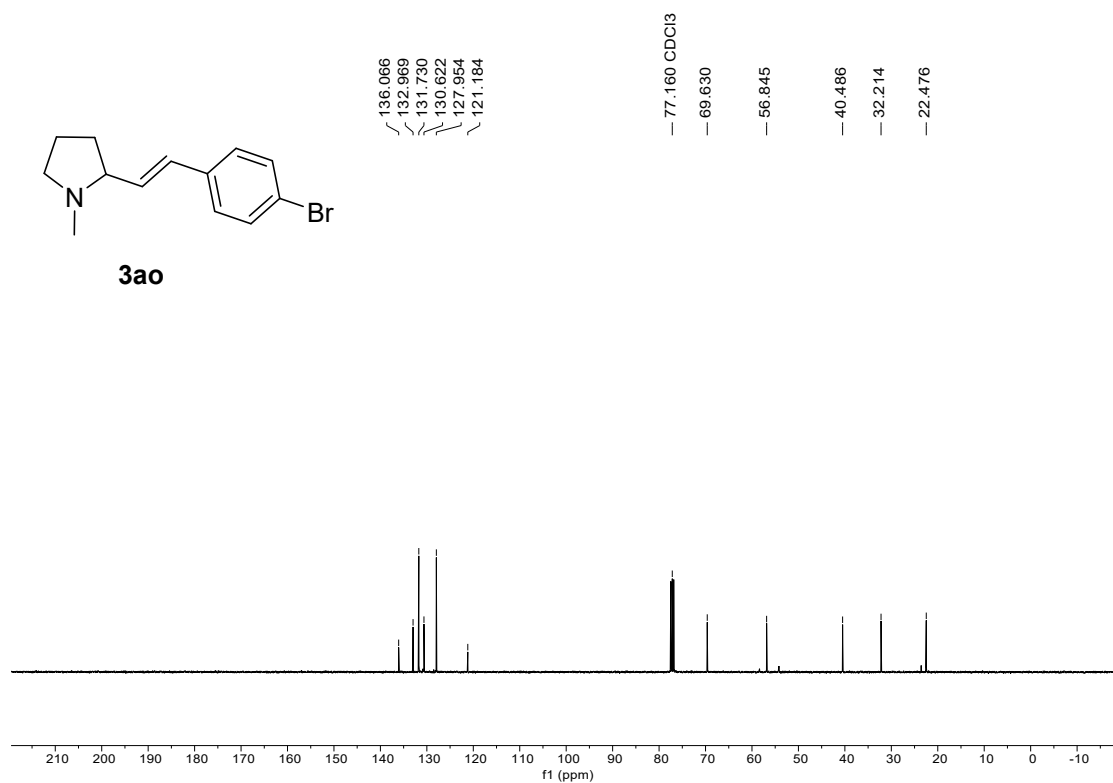
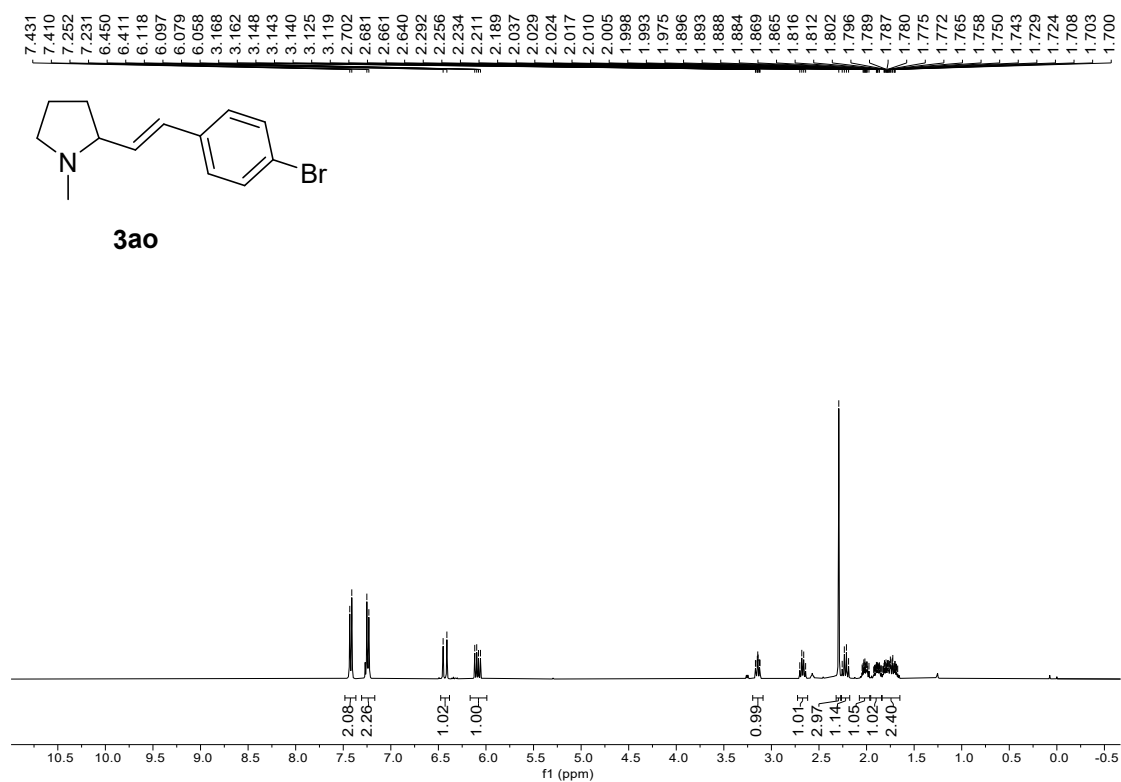


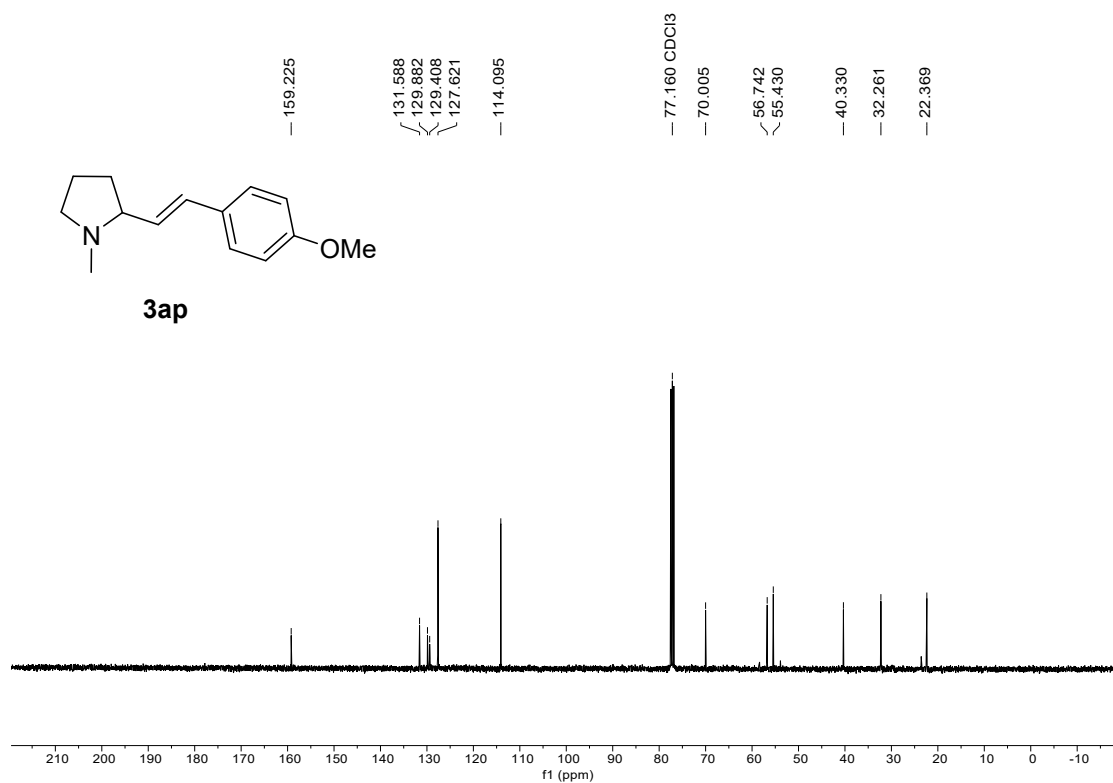
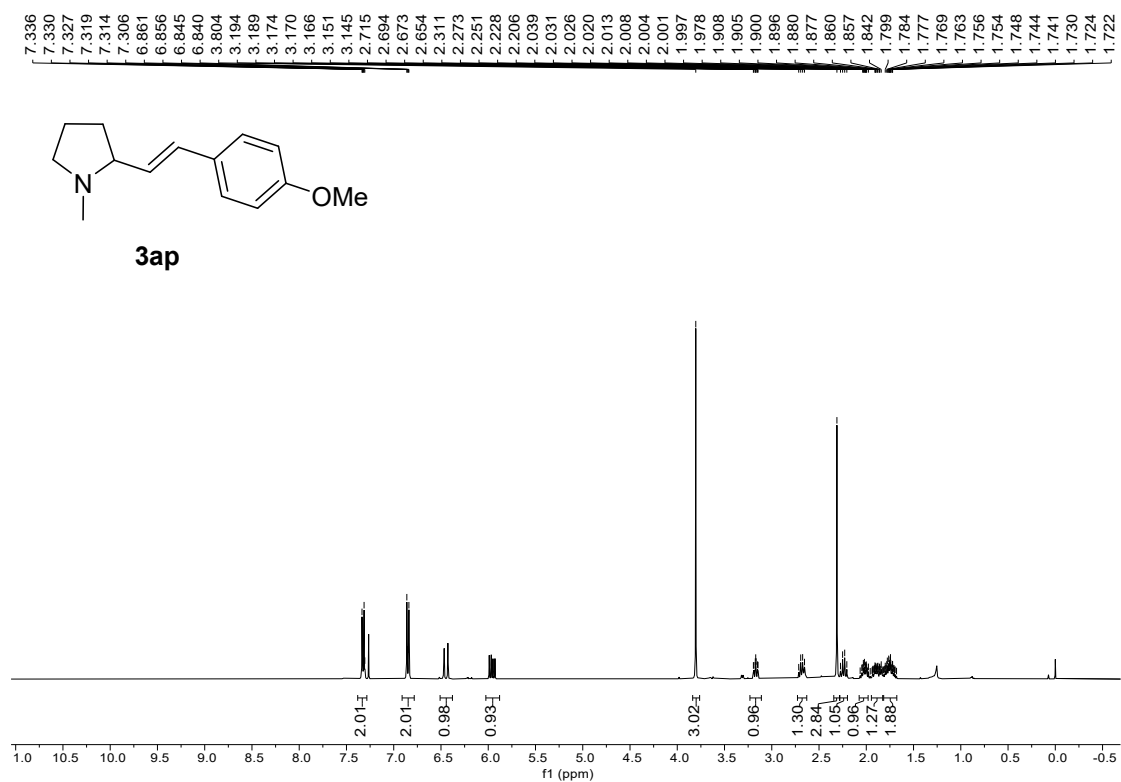


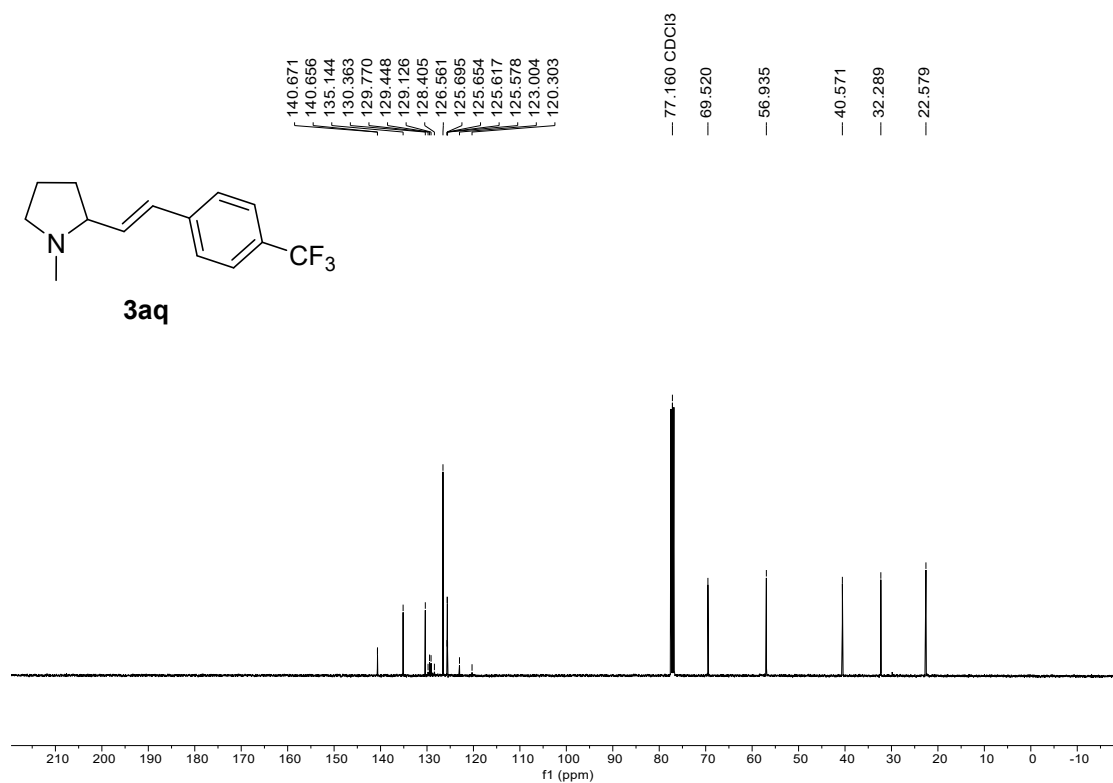
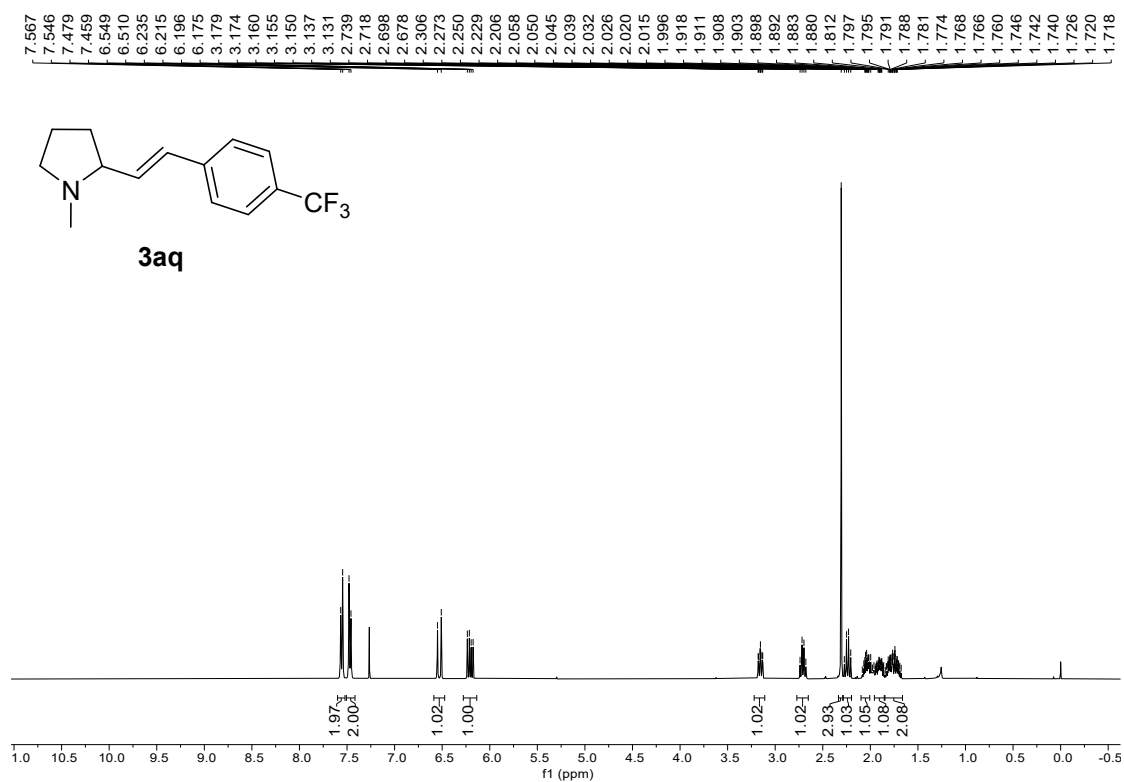


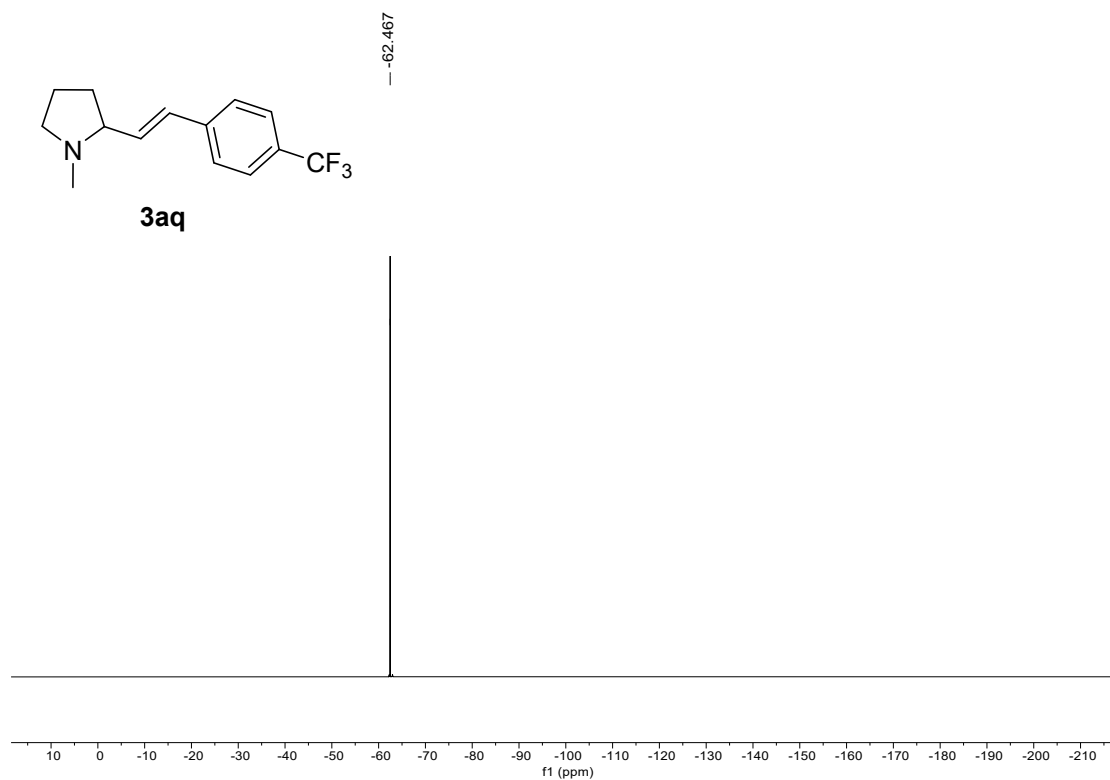












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