Supporting Information

Electrochemically enabled Nickel-catalyzed controllable synthesis of monoaryl or diaryl amines from aryl halides and trimethylsilyl azides

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1. General considerations

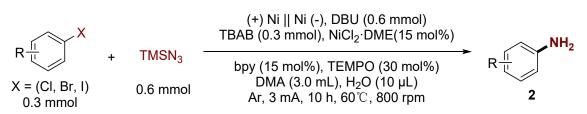
General. Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out under an air atmosphere. Analytical thin- λ ayer chromatography (TLC) was performed on glass plates coated with 0.25 mm 230–400 mesh silica gel containing a fluorescent indicator. Visualization was accomplished by exposure to a UV lamp. All the products in this article are compatible with standard silica gel chromatography. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200–300 mesh) using standard methods.

Structural analysis. NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker Ascend 400 spectrometer and chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz in NMR solvents and referenced internally to corresponding solvent resonance, and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 101 MHz and referenced to corresponding solvent resonance. Coupling constants are reported in Hz with multiplicities denoted as s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet) and br (broad). Infrared spectra were collected on a Thermo Fisher Nicolet 6700 FT-IR spectrometer using ATR (Attenuated Total Reflectance) method. Absorption maxima (v max) are reported in wavenumbers (cm⁻¹). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were acquired on Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL with an APCI or ESI source.

Materials. Commercial reagents and solvent were purchased from Adamas, J&K, Energy, Sigma-Aldrich, Alfa Aesar, Acros Organics, TCI and used as received unless otherwise stated.

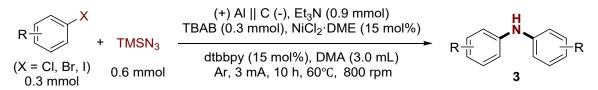
2. General procedure for amination of aryl halides

2.1 General procedure A for generating monoaryl amines



General Procedure A: aryl halides (0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TMSN₃ (0.60 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), NiCl₂·DME (0.045 mmol, 15 mol%), bpy (0.045 mmol, 15 mol%), DBU (0.60 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), TBAB (0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and DMA (3.0 mL) were added to a dried 25 mL reaction tube, and electrolyze with Ni as anode and cathode at a constant current of 3 mA for 10 hours in an Ar atmosphere at 60 °C. After the reaction, the reaction mixture was diluted with 15 mL of water and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum to yield the crude product, which was subsequently purified by column chromatography on silica gel using a PE/EA (2:1) mixture as the eluent to obtain the desired products.

2.2 General procedure B for generating diaryl amines



General Procedure B: aryl halides (0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TMSN₃ (0.60 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), NiCl₂·DME (0.045 mmol, 15 mol%), dtbbpy (0.045 mmol, 15 mol%), TEA (0.90 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), TBAB (0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and DMA (3.0 mL) were added to a dried 25 mL reaction tube, and electrolyze with Al as anode and Carbon as cathode at a constant current of 3 mA for 10 hours in an Ar atmosphere at 60 °C. After the reaction, the reaction mixture was diluted with 15 mL of water and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum to yield the crude product, which was subsequently purified by column chromatography on silica gel using a PE/EA (5:1) mixture as the eluent to obtain the desired products.

3. Optimization of nickel-catalyzed amination of aryl halides

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol +	(+) Ni Ni (-), DBU (0.6 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl₂·DME(15 mol%)	NH ₂	H N	
NC	bpy (15 mol%), TEMPO (30 mol%) Solvent , H₂O (10 µL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60℃, 800 rpm	NC		
0.3 mmol				
Entry	Solvent (3.0 mL)	2a (%)	3r (%)	
1	DMA	70	10	
2	DMF	52	trace	
3	MeCN	30	trace	
4	DMSO	18	trace	
5	МеОН	trace	trace	
6	DCM	trace	trace	

3.1 Optimization of solvent (Table SI-1)

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), Solvent, Ar, 60°C, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + Br	(+) Ni Ni (-), Base TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl ₂ ·DME(15 mol%) bpy (15 mol%), TEMPO (30 mol%) DMA (3.0 mL), H ₂ O (10 μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60 °C, 800 rpm	NC 2a NH ₂ + NC	H N 3r
NC ² 0.3 mmol		Lu	
Entry	Base (2.0 equiv.)	2a (%)	3r (%)
1	DBU	70	10
2	MTBD	53	13
3	TBD	33	19
4	DBN	48	7
4	TMG	62	15
5	CsCO ₃	trace	trace
6	NaH ₂ PO ₄	19	11
7	[#] BuOK	trace	trace
8	TMEDA	24	22
9	DIPEA	27	14
10	DIPA	22	8
2	Et₃N	27	27

3.2 Optimization of base (Table SI-2)

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), Base, TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, 60°C, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol	(+) Ni Ni (-), DBU (0.6 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl ₂ ·DME(15 mol%)	NH ₂	H N
NC	bpy (15 mol%), TEMPO (30 mol%) DMA (3.0 mL), H ₂ O (10 μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, Temperature , 800 rpm	NC 2a + NC	3r CN
0.3 mmol			
Entry	Temperature	2a (%)	3r (%)
1	60 °C	70	10
2	25 ℃	43	2
4	40 °C	55	13
5	80 ℃	66	11

3.3 Optimization of temperature (Table SI-3)

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, Temperature, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + NC 0.3 mmol	(+) Ni Ni (-), DBU (0.6 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), [Ni] Source bpy (15 mol%), TEMPO (30 mol%) DMA (3.0 mL), H ₂ O (10 μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60°C, 800 rpm	NC 2a NH ₂ + NC	H 3r CN
Entry	[Ni] source (15 mol%)	2a (%)	3r (%)
1	NiCl ₂ ·DME	70	10
2	NiBr ₂ ·DME	64	6
3	NiBr ₂	43	Trace
4	NiCl ₂	40	Trace
5	Nil ₂	28	Trace
6	NiCl ₂ ·2PCy ₃	36	Trace
7	NiCl ₂ ·2PPh ₃	27	Trace

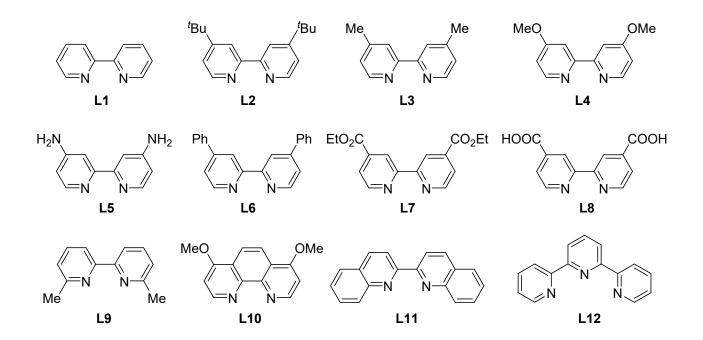
3.4 Optimization of [Ni] Source (Table SI-4)

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), [Ni] Source (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, 60°C, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

3.5 Optimization of ligand (Table SI-5)

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + NC 0.3 mmol	(+) Ni Ni (-), DBU (0.6 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl ₂ ·DME(15 mol%) Ligand , TEMPO (30 mol%) DMA (3.0 mL), H ₂ O (10 μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60°C, 800 rpm	NC 2a NH ₂ + NC	Sr CN
Entry	Ligand (15 mol%)	2a (%)	3r (%)
1	L1	70	10
2	L2	53	15
3	L3	50	12
4	L4	39	12
5	L5	33	14
6	L6	34	17
7	L7	48	15
8	L8	27	16
9	L9	41	trace
10	L10	38	trace
11	L11	66	trace
12	L12	62	8

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), Ligand, DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, 60°C, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.



TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + NC 0.3 mmol	Electrodes , DBU (0.6 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl ₂ ·DME(15 mol%) bpy (15 mol%), TEMPO (30 mol%) DMA (3.0 mL), H ₂ O (10 μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60°C, 800 rpm	NC 2a NH ₂ + NC	H N CN 3r	
Entry	Eectrodes	2a (%)	3r (%)	
1	(+) Ni Ni (-)	70	10	
2	(+) Ni C (-)	63	12	
3	(+) Al C (-)	23	23	
4	(+) Al Ni (-)	27	14	
5	(+) Fe C (-)	31	11	
6	(+) SS C (-)	42	4	
7	(+) Zn C (-)	16	24	

3.6 Optimization of electrodes (Table SI-6)

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, 60 °C, 800 rpm, Eectrodes at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + Br NC 0.3 mmol	(+) Ni Ni (-), DBU (0.6 mmol) Electrolyte , NiCl ₂ ·DME(15 mol%) bpy (15 mol%), TEMPO (30 mol%) DMA (3.0 mL), H ₂ O (10 μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60 °C, 800 rpm	$ \begin{array}{c} & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & $	
Entry	Temperature (0.1 M)	2a (%)	3r (%)
1	ТВАВ	70	10
2	TBAI	43	6
4	TBACI	31	trace
5	Nal	33	trace
6	NaCl	24	trace
7	LiBr	50	10
8	<i>n</i> Bu₄NPF ₆	54	7

3.7 Optimization of electrolyte (Table SI-7)

Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), electrolyte, TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, 60°C, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + NC 0.3 mmol	(+) Ni Ni (-), DBU (0.6 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl ₂ ·DME(15 mol%) bpy (15 mol%), Additive DMA (3.0 mL), H₂O (X μL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60°C, 800 rpm	NH ₂ + NC 2a	H 3r CN
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Entry	Additive	2a (%)	3r (%)
1	TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (10 μL)	70	10
3	TEMPO (20 mol%), H₂O (10 μL)	61	13
4	TEMPO (40 mol%), H ₂ O (10 μL)	57	11
5	TEMPO (50 mol%), H ₂ O (10 μL)	39	4
6	TEMPO (100 mol%), H₂O (10 μL)	22	Trace
7	TEMPO (0 mol%), H₂O (10 μL)	50	17
8	TEMPO (30 mol%), H₂O (0 μL)	58	16
9	TEMPO (30 mol%), H ₂ O (20 μL)	68	7
10	TEMPO (30 mol%), H ₂ O (30 μL)	62	8
11	TEMPO (30 mol%), H ₂ O (50 μL)	49	6
12	Without TEMPO and H ₂ O	44	18

3.8 Optimization of additive (Table SI-8)

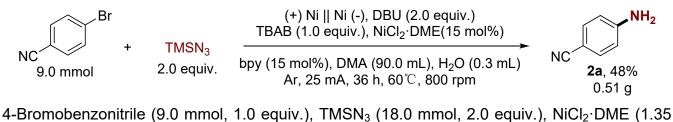
Reaction conditions: 4-Bromobenzonitrilel (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), TMSN₃ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%), bpy (15.0 mol%), DBU (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), Additive, H₂O (10.0 μ L), DMA (3.0 mL), Ar, Temperature, 800 rpm, Ni as Anode and cathode at 3 mA for 10h, isolated yields are shown.

3.9 Optimization of diaryl amination

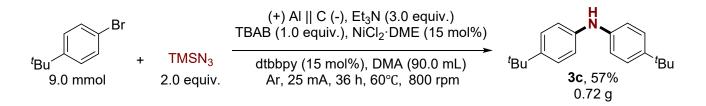
TMSN ₃ 0.6 mmol + - <i>t</i> Bu 0.3 mmol	(+) AI C (-), Et ₃ N (0.9 mmol) TBAB (0.3 mmol), NiCl ₂ ·DME (15 mol%) dtbbpy (15 mol%), DMA (3.0 mL) Ar, 3 mA, 10 h, 60°C, 800 rpm f	Bu 3c tBu
Entry	Variations from the 'standard' conditions	s Yield 3c (%)
1	None	76
2	Without electrolysis	N.R. ^[b]
3	Without dtbbpy	Trace
4	Without Et ₃ N	Trace
5	without NiCl ₂ ·DME	Trace
6	DMF instead of DMA	66
7	MeCN instead of DMA	33
8	DBU instead of Et ₃ N	55
9	TMG instead of DBU	42
10	(+) Ni C (-) as electrodes	60
11	(+) Al Pt (-) as electrodes	27

Standard conditions B: aryl halides (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), $TMSN_3$ (2.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), AI (+)|| C (-), NiCl₂·DME (15.0 mol%, 0.045 mmol), dtbbpy (15.0 mol%, 0.045 mmol), TBAB (1.0 equiv., 0.3 mmol), Et₃N (3.0 equiv., 0.9 mmol), DMA (3.0 mL), 800 rpm, 60°C, constant current = 3 mA in Ar for 10h (3.7 F/mol), isolated yields are shown and in an undivided cell.

4. Gram-scale experiment

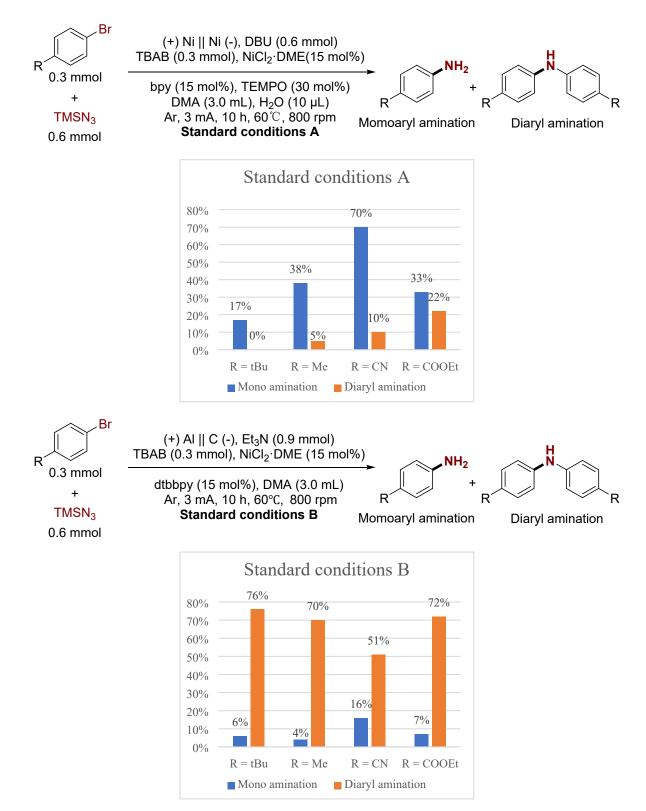


4-Bromobenzonitrile (9.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TMSN₃ (18.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), NICl₂-DME (1.35 mmol, 15 mol%), bpy (1.35 mmol, 15 mol%), DBU (18.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), H₂O (0.3 mL), TBAB (9.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and DMA (90.0 mL) were added to a dried 250 mL reaction tube, and electrolyze with Ni as anode and cathode at a constant current of 25 mA for 36 hours in an Ar atmosphere at 60 °C. After the reaction, the reaction mixture was diluted with 200 mL of water and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum to yield the crude product, which was subsequently purified by column chromatography on silica gel using a PE/EA (2:1) mixture as the eluent to afford **2a** (0.51 g) with a yield of 48%.

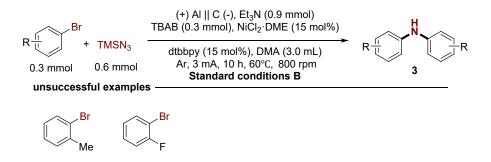


1-Bromo-4-(tert-butyl)benzene (9.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TMSN₃ (18.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), NiCl₂·DME (1.35 mmol, 15 mol%), dtbbpy (1.35 mmol, 15 mol%), TEA (27.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), TBAB (9.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and DMA (90.0 mL) were added to a dried 250 mL reaction tube, and electrolyze with AI as anode and Carbon as cathode at a constant current of 25 mA for 36 hours in an Ar atmosphere at 60 °C. After the reaction, the reaction mixture was diluted with 200 mL of water and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum to yield the crude product, which was subsequently purified by column chromatography on silica gel using a PE/EA (5:1) mixture as the eluent to afford **3a** (0.72 g) with a yield of 57%.

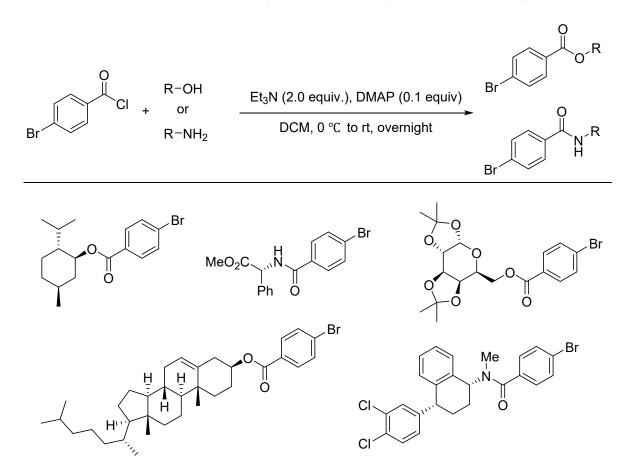
5. Comparison of standard condition A and standard condition B



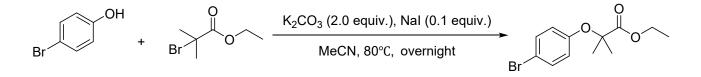
6. Unsuccessful substrate



7. General procedure for the synthesis of aryl bromide drugs

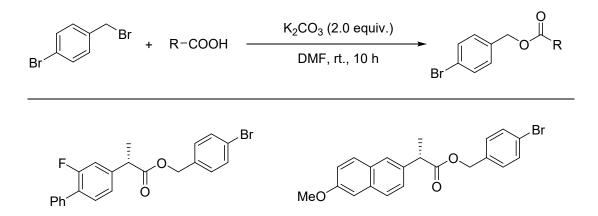


To a solution of alcohol or amine (5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), DMAP (0.5 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) and Et_3N (10 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in DCM (10.0 mL) was added the solution of 4-bromobenzoylchloride (5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DCM (10.0 mL) dropwise using syringe at 0 °C. After stirring for 30 minutes, the mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature overnight. Then the mixture was diluted with saturated NH₄Cl solution (20 mL), and extracted with DCM (3 × 10 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated. The residue was purified with flash column chromatography to give the desired aryl bromide.¹



To a solution of 4-bromophenol (5.78 mmol, 1 equiv.), ethyl 2-bromoisobutyrate (5.78 mmol, 1 equiv.), K₂CO₃ (11.56 mmol, 2 equiv.) and Nal (0.58 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) in MeCN (30.0 mL)

was heated at 80 $^{\circ}$ C overnight. The solvent was removed and the residue was partitioned between EtOAc and H₂O. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated. The residue was purified with flash column chromatography to give the desired aryl bromide.²



To carboxylic acid (1.5 mmol) in DMF (10.0 mL) was added K_2CO_3 (2.0 mmol) and 4bromobenzyl bromide (1.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h, after which time the reaction mixture was diluted with H₂O and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated. The residue was purified with flash column chromatography to give the desired aryl bromide.³

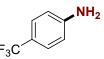
8. Characterization data of products

Preparation and Characterization Data for Isolated Products. 2a,⁴ 2b,⁴ 2c,⁵ 2d,⁴ 2e,⁶ 2f,⁷ 2g,⁸ 2h,⁷ 2i,⁶ 2j,⁹ 2k,⁸ 2l,⁷ 2m,¹⁰ 2n,⁴ 2o,¹¹ 2p,¹² 2q,¹³ 2r,⁴ 2s,⁶ 2t,⁷ 2u,⁷ 2v,¹⁴ 2w,⁴ 2x,⁴ 2y,¹⁵ 2za,⁴ 2zb,¹⁶ 2zc,¹⁷ 2zd,¹⁸ 2ze,¹⁹ 3a,²⁰ 3b,²¹ 3c,²² 3d,²¹ 3e,²² 3f,²⁰ 3g,²⁰ 3h,²⁰ 3j,²⁰ 3k,²⁰ 3l,²⁰ 3m,²⁰ 3n,²⁰ 3o,²³ 3r,²⁰ 3t,²² 3v,²⁴ 3x,²² 3zb,²⁴ and 4d²⁵ are known compounds, and the characterization data were in accordance with the literature. ¹H/¹³C/¹⁹F NMR data for these compounds are provided here for completion's sake.



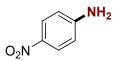
(2a) 4-aminobenzonitrile (CAS: 873-74-5)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 4bromobenzonitrile (54.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2a was obtained as a yellow solid (24.8 mg, 70%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.6, 133.8, 120.3, 114.5, 100.0.



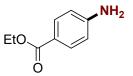
(2b) 4-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (CAS: 455-14-1)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 1bromo-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (67.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2b was obtained as a yellow oil (30.5 mg, 63%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.4, 126.7 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.9 (q, *J* = 271.5 Hz), 120.1 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 114.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -61.16.

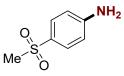


(2c) 4-nitroaniline (CAS: 100-01-6)⁵: Following the General Procedure A with 1-bromo-4nitrobenzene (60.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2c was obtained as a yellow solid (25.7 mg, 62%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.40 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.5, 139.1, 126.34, 113.4.

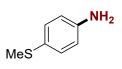


(2d) ethyl 4-aminobenzoate (CAS: 94-09-7)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with ethyl 4bromobenzoate (68.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2d was obtained as a white solid (16.3 mg, 33%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 6.67 – 6.59 (m, 2H), 4.31 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 1.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.7, 150.8, 131.6, 120.1, 113.8, 60.3, 14.4.

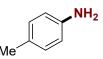


(2e) 4-(methylsulfonyl)aniline (CAS: 5470-49-5)⁶: Following the General Procedure A with 1bromo-4-(methylsulfonyl)benzene (70.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2e was obtained as a white solid (38.0 mg, 74%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 6.74 – 6.67 (m, 2H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 3.00 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.6, 129.4, 128.5, 114.1, 45.0.



(2f) 4-(methylthio)aniline (CAS: 104-96-1)⁷: Following the General Procedure A with (4-bromophenyl)(methyl)sulfane (60.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2f was obtained as a yellow oil (16.7 mg, 40%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.66 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.1, 131.0, 125.7, 115.7, 18.7.

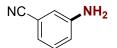


(2g) p-toluidine (CAS: 106-49-0)⁸: Following the General Procedure A with 1-bromo-4methylbenzene (51.3 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2g was obtained as a yellow oil (12.2 mg, 38%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (s, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.9, 129.8, 127.8, 115.3, 20.5.



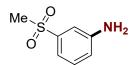
(2h) aniline (CAS: 62-53-3)⁷: Following the General Procedure A with bromobenzene (47.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2h was obtained as a yellow oil (11.5 mg, 41%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.78 – 6.72 (m, 1H), 6.70 – 6.64 (m, 2H), 3.60 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.4, 129.3, 118.6, 115.1.



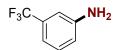
(2i) 3-aminobenzonitrile (CAS: 2237-30-1)⁶: Following the General Procedure A with 3bromobenzonitrile (54.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2i was obtained as a yellow solid (20.5 mg, 58%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.92 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.0, 130.1, 121.9, 119.24, 119.22, 117.4, 112.9.



(2j) 3-(methylsulfonyl)aniline (CAS: 35216-39-8)⁹: Following the General Procedure A with 1bromo-3-(methylsulfonyl)benzene (70.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2j was obtained as a yellow solid (30.8 mg, 60%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.27 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 – 6.87 (m, 1H), 4.04 (s, 2H), 3.03 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.5, 141.34, 130.3, 119.7, 116.6, 112.8, 44.4.



(2k) 3-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (CAS: 98-16-8)⁸: Following the General Procedure A with 1bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (67.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2k** was obtained as a yellow solid (29.0 mg, 60%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

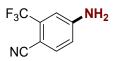
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.90 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.7, 131.6 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 129.8, 124.2 (q, *J* = 272.2 Hz), 118.0 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 115.0 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 111.3 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.95.



(2I) 2-aminobenzonitrile (CAS: 1885-29-6)⁷

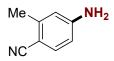
Following the General Procedure A with 2-bromobenzonitrile (54.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2I** was obtained as a yellow solid (17.4 mg, 49%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.77 – 6.68 (m, 2H), 4.45 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 133.9, 132.2, 117.8, 117.6, 115.1, 95.8.



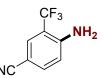
(2m) 4-amino-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzonitrile(CAS: 98-16-8)¹⁰: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromo-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzonitrile (75.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2m** was obtained as a yellow solid (47.5 mg, 85%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.3, 136.3, 134.5 (q, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 122.4 (q, *J* = 273.7 Hz), 116.8, 116.3, 112.1 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 62.55.



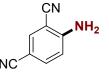
(2n) 4-amino-2-methylbenzonitrile (CAS: 72115-06-1)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromo-2-methylbenzonitrile (58.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2n** was obtained as a yellow solid (23.8 mg, 60%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.53 – 6.44 (m, 2H), 4.15 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.4, 143.5, 134.0, 119.4, 115.3, 112.0, 100.6, 20.4.



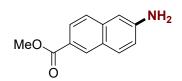
(20) 4-amino-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzonitrile (CAS: 327-74-2)¹¹: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromo-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzonitrile (75.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **20** was obtained as a yellow solid (30.2 mg, 54%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.0, 136.2, 131.6 (q, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 123.7 (q, *J* = 272.4 Hz), 118.8, 117.2, 113.5 (q, *J* = 31.3 Hz), 99.8. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.63.



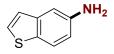
(2p) 4-aminoisophthalonitrile (CAS: 19619-22-8)¹²: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromoisophthalonitrile (62.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2p was obtained as a yellow solid (24.9 mg, 58%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (s, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 154.8, 138.8, 137.1, 119.2, 116.8, 116.1, 97.3, 94.1.

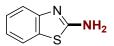


(2q) methyl 6-amino-2-naphthoate (CAS: 5159-59-1)¹³: Following the General Procedure A with methyl 6-bromo-2-naphthoate (79.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2q was obtained as a yellow solid (38.6 mg, 64%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 8.34 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 167.2, 149.9, 138.1, 131.1, 131.0, 125.6, 125.5, 125.3, 121.9, 119.5, 105.6, 52.2.



(2r) benzo[b]thiophen-5-amine (CAS: 20532-28-9)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 5-bromobenzo[b]thiophene (63.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2r was obtained as a yellow solid (17.0 mg, 38%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.5, 140.8, 130.4, 127.0, 123.00, 122.95, 114.8, 108.2.



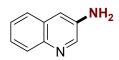
(2s) benzo[d]thiazol-2-amine (CAS: 136-95-8)⁶: Following the General Procedure A with 2bromobenzo[d]thiazole (64.2 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2s** was obtained as a yellow solid (23.0 mg, 51%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 5.56 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 152.0, 131.6, 126.0,



122.3, 120.9, 119.2.

(2t) quinolin-4-amine (CAS: 578-68-7)⁷: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromoquinoline (64.2 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2t was obtained as a yellow solid (24.6 mg, 57%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.19 – 8.12 (m, 1H), 7.79 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.62 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 151.9, 150.8, 149.3, 129.4, 129.3, 123.9, 122.8, 119.1, 102.8.



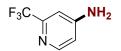
(2u) quinolin-3-amine (CAS: 578-68-7)⁷: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromoquinoline (62.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2u was obtained as a yellow solid (24.7mg, 57%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.51 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.99 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.1, 142.8, 139.7, 129.10, 129.07, 126.9, 125.8, 125.6, 114.9.



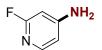
(2v) pyridin-4-amine (CAS: 504-24-5)¹⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 4bromopyridine (47.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2v was obtained as a white solid (14.7 mg, 52%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.95 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 6.44 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 5.95 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 154.7, 150.0, 109.3.

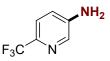


(2w) 2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-4-amine (CAS: 147149-98-2)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromo-2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (67.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2w** was obtained as a yellow solid (44.3 mg, 91%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (s, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.93, 150.29, 148.93 (q, J = 33.7 Hz), 121.7 (q, J = 275.3 Hz), 111.13, 106.24 (q, J = 3.1 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -68.53.

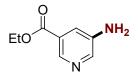


(2x) 2-fluoropyridin-4-amine (CAS: 18614-51-2)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 4bromo-2-fluoropyridine (52.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2x was obtained as a yellow solid (20.9 mg, 62%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 6.43 – 6.36 (m, 1H), 6.08 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.44 (d, *J* = 232.2 Hz), 157.20 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz), 147.50 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz), 108.21 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 92.78 (d, *J* = 41.8 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -69.93.



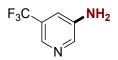
(2y) 6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-amine (CAS: 106877-33-2)¹⁵: Following the General Procedure A with 5-bromo-2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (67.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2y** was obtained as a yellow solid (31.1 mg, 64%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.1 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.4 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.8, 137.8 (q, *J* = 34.9 Hz), 136.9, 122.2 (q, *J* = 273.3 Hz), 121.2 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 120.5. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -66.63.



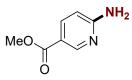
(2z) ethyl 5-aminonicotinate: Following the General Procedure A with ethyl 5-bromonicotinate (69.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2z was obtained as a yellow solid (37.9 mg, 76%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.40 – 8.16 (m, 2H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 4.37 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 143.7, 140.8, 129.9, 121.6, 116.1, 61.3, 14.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₂₆NO₇ (M+H)⁺ 380.17038, found 380.17043.



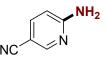
(2za) 5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-amine (CAS: 112110-07-3)⁴: Following the General Procedure A with 3-bromo-5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (67.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2za was obtained as a yellow solid (34.1 mg, 70%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 – 8.22 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.3, 140.3 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 136.1 (q, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 126.9 (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz), 123.6 (q, *J* = 273.5 Hz), 117.4 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.73.

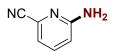


(2zb) methyl 6-aminonicotinate (CAS: 36052-24-1)¹⁶: Following the General Procedure A with methyl 6-bromonicotinate (64.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2zb** was obtained as a yellow solid (35.6 mg, 78%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 8.54 (s, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (s, 2H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 166.2, 163.1, 151.5, 138.0, 113.8, 107.7, 51.8.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_7H_9N_2O_2(M+H)^+$ 153.06585, found 153.06573.

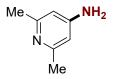


(2zc) 6-aminonicotinonitrile (CAS: 4214-73-7)¹⁷: Following the General Procedure A with 6bromonicotinonitrile (54.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2zc** was obtained as a yellow solid (21.1 mg, 59%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.1, 153.12, 140.2, 118.1, 108.0, 98.5.



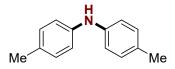
(2zd) 6-aminopicolinonitrile (CAS: 370556-44-8)¹⁸: Following the General Procedure A with 6-bromopicolinonitrile (54.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), 2zd was obtained as a yellow solid (15.4 mg, 43%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.9, 138.2, 131.6, 119.0, 117.6, 112.8.



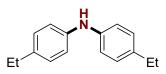
(2ze) 2,6-dimethylpyridin-4-amine (CAS: 3512-80-9)¹⁹: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromo-2,6-dimethylpyridine (55.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **2ze** was obtained as a yellow solid (17.2 mg, 47%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.24 (s, 2H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 2.39 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 153.4, 106.3, 24.4.



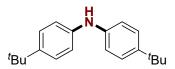
(3a) di-p-tolylamine (CAS: 620-93-9)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4methylbenzene (51.3 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3a** was obtained as a yellow solid (29.6 mg, 70%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 6.96 – 6.91 (m, 4H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 2.28 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.2, 130.2, 129.9, 117.9, 20.7.



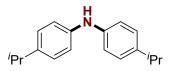
(3b) bis(4-ethylphenyl)amine (CAS: 7268-62-4)²¹: Following the General Procedure B with 1-

bromo-4-ethylbenzene (55.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3b** was obtained as a yellow solid (19.3 mg, 57%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.01 – 6.94 (m, 4H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 2.59 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 1.22 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.3, 136.7, 128.7, 117.9, 28.2, 15.9.



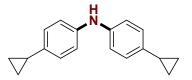
(3c) bis(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)amine (CAS: 4627-22-9)²²: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-(tert-butyl)benzene (63.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3c** was obtained as a yellow solid (30.1 mg, 76%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 – 7.24 (m, 4H), 7.02 – 6.97 (m, 4H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 1.30 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.6, 141.0, 126.1, 117.4, 34.12, 31.5.



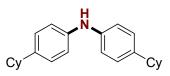
(3d) bis(4-isopropylphenyl)amine (CAS: 63451-41-2)²¹: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-isopropylbenzene (59.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3d** was obtained as a yellow solid (28.9 mg, 76%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 2.91 – 2.78 (m, 2H), 1.23 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 12H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.4, 128.8, 127.2, 117.8, 33.4, 24.2.



(3e) bis(4-cyclopropylphenyl)amine (CAS: 2722001-27-4)²²: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-cyclopropylbenzene (59.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3e** was obtained as a yellow solid (25.4 mg, 68%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

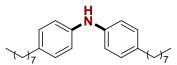
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.95 (q, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 8H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 1.89 – 1.78 (m, 2H), 0.97 – 0.82 (m, 4H), 0.68 – 0.54 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.2, 136.2, 126.7, 117.9, 14.8, 8.6.



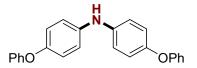
(3f) bis(4-cyclohexylphenyl)amine (CAS: 163687-39-6)²⁰: Following the General Procedure

B with 1-bromo-4-cyclohexylbenzene (71.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3f** was obtained as a yellow solid (27.0 mg, 54%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 2.50 – 2.37 (m, 2H), 1.90 – 1.79 (m, 8H), 1.77 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.32 (m, 8H), 1.29 – 1.18 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.4, 140.7, 127.5, 117.8, 43.8, 34.7, 27.0, 26.2.

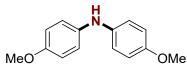


(3g) bis(4-octylphenyl)amine (CAS: 101-67-7)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1bromo-4-octylbenzene (80.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3g** was obtained as a yellow solid (33.1 mg, 56%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 2.58 – 2.47 (m, 4H), 1.64 – 1.54 (m, 4H), 1.34 – 1.23 (m, 20H), 0.92 – 0.84 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.3, 135.4, 129.2, 117.8, 35.3, 31.9, 31.8, 29.6, 29.4, 29.3, 22.7, 14.2.

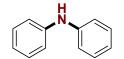


(3h) bis(4-phenoxyphenyl)amine (CAS: 18162-30-6)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-phenoxybenzene (74.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3h** was obtained as a yellow solid (29.7 mg, 56%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 6.93 (m, 14H), 5.55 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 150.8, 139.7, 129.7, 122.6, 120.7, 119.3, 117.8.

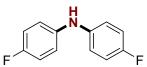


(3i) bis(4-methoxyphenyl)amine (CAS: 101-70-2)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-methoxybenzene (56.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3i was obtained as a yellow solid (16.5 mg, 48%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.85 – 6.79 (m, 4H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3, 138.0, 119.6, 114.7, 55.7.

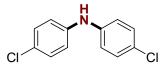


(3j) diphenylamine (CAS: 122-39-4)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with bromobenzene (47.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3j was obtained as a yellow solid (17.3 mg, 68%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

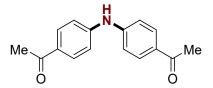
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.09 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.95 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 5.68 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.2, 129.4, 121.0, 117.8.



(3k) bis(4-fluorophenyl)amine (CAS: 330-91-6)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1bromo-4-fluorobenzene (52.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3k was obtained as a yellow solid (25.2 mg, 82%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.95 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 8H), 5.46 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8 (d, *J* = 239.7 Hz), 139.8 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 119.4 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 116.0 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -122.63.

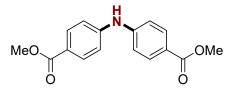


(3I) bis(4-chlorophenyl)amine (CAS: 6962-04-5)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-chlorobenzene (57.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3I was obtained as a yellow solid (24.6 mg, 69%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 5.66 (s, 1H).¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.4, 129.4, 126.1, 119.1.



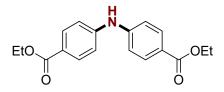
(3m) 1,1'-(azanediylbis(4,1-phenylene))bis(ethan-1-one) (CAS: 20255-76-9)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 1-(4-bromophenyl)ethan-1-one (59.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3m** was obtained as a yellow solid (15.6 mg, 41%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.36 (s, 1H), 2.57 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.4, 145.8, 131.0, 130.5, 117.0, 26.3.

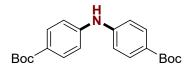


(3n) dimethyl 4,4'-azanediyldibenzoate (CAS: 17104-81-3)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with methyl 4-bromobenzoate (64.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3n** was obtained as a yellow solid (34.7 mg, 81%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 145.9, 131.5, 123.1, 116.9, 51.9.

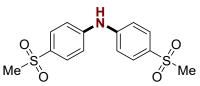


(30) diethyl 4,4'-azanediyldibenzoate (CAS: 53884-32-5)²³: Following the General Procedure B with ethyl 4-bromobenzoate (68.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **30** was obtained as a yellow solid (33.8 mg, 72%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 4.36 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 145.8, 131.4, 123.4, 116.9, 60.7, 14.4.



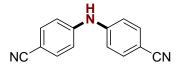
(**3p**) **di-tert-butyl 4,4'-azanediyldibenzoate (CAS: 386218-10-6):** Following the General Procedure B with tert-butyl 4-bromobenzoate (77.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3p** was obtained as a yellow solid (38.8 mg, 70%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 1.59 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.5, 145.6, 131.24, 124.9, 116.7, 80.6, 28.3.

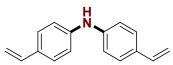


(3q) bis(4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl)amine (CAS: 1140964-63-1): Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-4-(methylsulfonyl)benzene (70.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3q** was obtained as a yellow solid (28.8 mg, 59%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 9.45 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 3.16 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 146.9, 132.4, 129.4, 117.3, 44.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₅NO₄S₂ (M+H)⁺ 326.05153, found 326.05096.

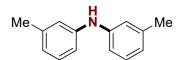


(3r) 4,4'-azanediyldibenzonitrile (CAS: 36602-05-8)²⁰: Following the General Procedure B with 4-bromobenzonitrile (54.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3r was obtained as a yellow solid (16.8 mg, 51%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 9.45 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 146.2, 134.3, 119.9, 117.8, 102.6.



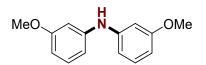
(3s) bis(4-vinylphenyl)amine (CAS: 852360-34-0): Following the General Procedure B with 1bromo-4-vinylbenzene (54.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3s was obtained as a yellow solid (14.3 mg, 43%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.66 (dd, *J* = 17.6, 10.8 Hz, 2H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 2H), 5.12 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.5, 136.3, 130.7, 127.3, 117.7, 111.4.



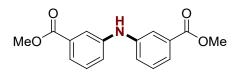
(3t) di-m-tolylamine (CAS: 626-13-1)²²: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-3methylbenzene (51.3 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3t** was obtained as a yellow solid (18.6 mg, 63%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.84 (m, 4H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.2, 139.2, 129.2, 121.8, 118.6, 115.0, 21.6.



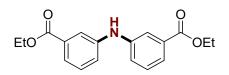
(3u) bis(3-methoxyphenyl)amine (CAS: 92248-06-1)²²: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-3-methoxybenzene (56.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3u** was obtained as a yellow solid (21.3 mg, 62%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.70 – 6.62 (m, 4H), 6.52 – 6.45 (m, 2H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 3.77 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.7, 144.3, 130.1, 110.7, 106.5, 103.8, 55.2.



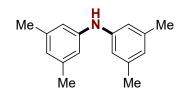
(3v) dimethyl 3,3'-azanediyldibenzoate (CAS: 1359968-14-1)²⁴: Following the General Procedure B with methyl 3-bromobenzoate (64.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3v was obtained as a yellow solid (24.0 mg, 56%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (s, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.0, 142.9, 131.5, 129.5, 122.5, 122.0, 118.9, 52.2.



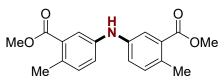
(3w) diethyl 3,3'-azanediyldibenzoate: Following the General Procedure B with ethyl 3bromobenzoate (68.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3w** was obtained as a yellow solid (21.2 mg, 45%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 4.37 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.5, 142.9, 131.9, 129.4, 122.5, 121.8, 118.9, 61.1, 14.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO₄ (M+H)⁺ 314.13868, found 314.13803.



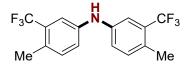
(3x) bis(3,5-dimethylphenyl)amine (CAS: 5369-25-5)²²: Following the General Procedure B with 1-bromo-3,5-dimethylbenzene (55.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3x was obtained as a yellow solid (24.6 mg, 73%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.68 (s, 4H), 6.57 (s, 2H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 2.26 (s, 12H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.3, 139.0, 122.7, 115.8, 21.5.



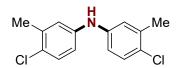
(3y) dimethyl 5,5'-azanediylbis(2-methylbenzoate): Following the General Procedure B with methyl 5-bromo-2-methylbenzoate (68.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3y** was obtained as a yellow solid (20.7 mg, 44%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.17 – 7.06 (m, 4H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 6H), 2.52 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 140.9, 132.6, 130.4, 121.4, 120.0, 51.9, 20.9. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO₄ (M+H)⁺ 314.13868, found 314.13803.

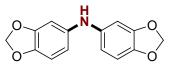


(3z) bis(4-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)amine (CAS: 2732894-05-0): Following the General Procedure B with 4-bromo-1-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (71.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), 3z was obtained as a yellow solid (31.0 mg, 62%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.11 – 7.06 (dm, 2H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.7, 133.0, 129.9 (q, *J* = 29.9 Hz), 129.1 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 124.3 (q, *J* = 274.8 Hz) 120.6, 115.5 (q, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 18.5 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz).

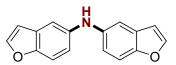


(3za) bis(4-chloro-3-methylphenyl)amine: Following the General Procedure B with 4-bromo-1-chloro-2-methylbenzene (61.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3za** was obtained as a yellow solid (26.8 mg, 67%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.6, 137.0, 129.7, 126.3, 120.3, 116.7, 20.3.

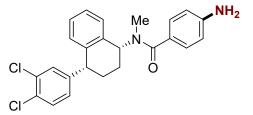


(3zb) bis(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)amine (CAS: 941689-87-8)²⁴: Following the General Procedure B with 5-bromobenzo[d][1,3]dioxole (60.3 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3zb** was obtained as a yellow solid (16.2 mg, 42%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.70 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 6.42 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 5.91 (s, 4H), 5.31 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.3, 142.2, 139.1, 110.9, 108.6, 100.99, 100.95. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₁NO₄ (M+H)⁺ 252.07608, found 252.07556.

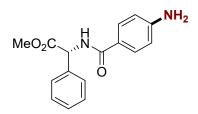


(3zc) di(benzofuran-5-yl)amine (CAS: 2254556-98-2): Following the General Procedure B with 5-bromobenzofuran (59.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3zc** was obtained as a yellow solid (21.3 mg, 57%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.7, 145.6, 140.2, 128.3, 117.0, 111.9, 109.8, 106.5.



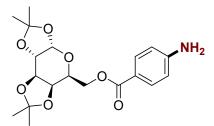
(4a) 4-amino-N-((1R,4R)-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-yl)-Nmethylbenzamide: Following the General Procedure A with 4-bromo-N-((1R,4R)-4-(3,4dichlorophenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-yl)-N-methylbenzamide (146.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **4a** was obtained as a yellow solid (90.2 mg, 71%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.90 – 6.73 (m, 1H), 6.70 – 6.58 (m, 2H), 6.09 – 5.00 (m, 1H), 4.26 – 4.11 (m, 1H), 3.94 (s, 2H), 2.80 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 3H), 2.40 – 1.71 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.2, 172.7, 148.1, 147.0, 146.8, 138.2, 137.7, 136.1, 132.2, 130.9, 130.7, 130.5, 130.0, 129.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 127.2, 126.5, 125.6, 114.3, 114.0, 58.7, 52.9, 43.0, 42.7, 33.3, 23.0, 29.1, 22.4, 20.9, 14.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₂₃Cl₂N₂O (M+H)⁺425.11820, found 425.11873.

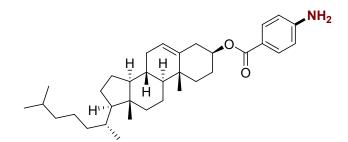


(4b) methyl (R)-2-(4-aminobenzamido)-2-phenylacetate: Following the General Procedure A with methyl (R)-2-(4-bromobenzamido)-2-phenylacetate (104.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), 4b was obtained as a yellow solid (34.1 mg, 40%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.62 – 6.58 (m, 2H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 166.3, 150.1, 136.8, 128.88, 128.86, 128.4, 127.3, 122.7, 113.9, 56.6, 52.7. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₇N₂O₃ (M+H)⁺ 285.12337, found 285.12361.



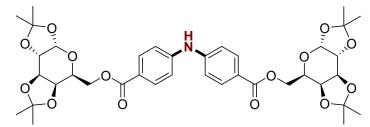
(4c) ((3aS,5aR,8aR,8bS)-2,2,7,7-tetramethyltetrahydro-5H-bis([1,3]dioxolo)[4,5-b:4',5'-d]pyran-5-yl)methyl 4-aminobenzoate: Following the General Procedure A with ((3aS,5aR,8aR,8bS)-2,2,7,7-tetramethyltetrahydro-5H-bis([1,3]dioxolo)[4,5-b:4',5'-d]pyran-5-yl)methyl 4-bromobenzoate (133.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **4c** was obtained as a yellow solid (39.8 mg, 35%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 6.62 – 6.56 (m, 2H), 5.54 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38 – 4.27 (m, 3H), 4.17 – 4.07 (m, 3H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.4, 151.0, 131.7, 119.3, 113.6, 109.5, 108.7, 96.2, 71.1, 70.6, 70.49, 66.2, 63.2, 26.0, 25.9, 24.9, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₂₆NO₇ (M+H)⁺ 380.17038, found 380.17043.



(4d) (8S,9S,10R,13R,14S,17R)-10,13-dimethyl-17-((R)-6-methylheptan-2-yl)-2,3,4,7,8,9,10, 11,12,13,14,15,16,17-tetradecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-3-yl4-aminobenzoate (CAS: 22575-25-3)²⁵: Following the General Procedure A with (8S,9S,10R,13R,14S,17R)-10,13-dimethyl-17-((R)-6-methylheptan-2-yl)-2,3,4,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-

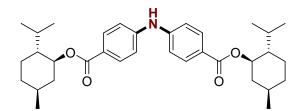
tetradecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren -3-yl 4-bromobenzoate (170.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), **4d** was obtained as a yellow solid (95.5 mg, 63%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 – 7.81 (m, 2H), 6.67 – 6.59 (m, 2H), 5.43 – 5.38 (m, 1H), 4.85 – 4.75 (m, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 2.48 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 2.04 – 1.93 (m, 3H), 1.93 – 1.86 (m, 1H), 1.86 – 1.78 (m, 1H), 1.76 – 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.66 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.58 – 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.49 (m, 2H), 1.46 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.40 – 1.30 (m, 3H), 1.29 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.22 – 1.08 (m, 6H), 1.06 (s, 3H), 1.04 – 0.96 (m, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.6 Hz, 6H), 0.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 150.6, 139.9, 131.6, 122.6, 120.5, 113.8, 73.9, 56.7, 56.2, 50.1, 42.3, 39.8, 39.5, 38.4, 37.1, 36.7, 36.2, 35.8, 32.0, 31.9, 28.3, 28.03, 27.99, 24.3, 23.9, 22.8, 22.6, 21.1, 19.4, 18.7, 11.9. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd for C₃₄H₅₁NO₂ (M+H)⁺ 506.39926, found 506.39862.



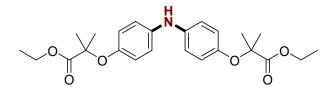
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 5.57 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.37 – 4.33 (m, 3H), 4.32 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.22 – 4.16 (m, 2H), 1.50 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 12H), 1.35 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 12H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 146.0, 131.6, 122.8, 116.9, 109.7, 108.8, 96.3, 71.2, 70.7, 70.6, 66.3, 63.7, 26.1, 26.0, 25.0, 24.5. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd for C₄₂H₃₉NO₆ (M-H)⁻ 740.29238, found 740.29297.



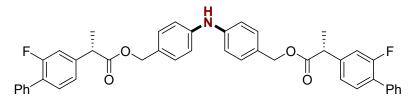
(4f) (1R,2S,5R)-2-isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl 4-((4-((((1S,2R,5S)-2-isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl) oxy)carbonyl)phenyl)amino)benzoate: Following the General Procedure B with (1S,2R,5S)-2-isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl 4-bromobenzoate (101.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), 4f was obtained as a yellow solid (55.2 mg, 69%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 4.91 (td, *J* = 10.8, 4.4 Hz, 2H), 2.16 – 2.07 (m, 2H), 2.01 – 1.91 (m, 2H), 1.72 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 4H), 1.60 – 1.48 (m, 4H), 1.19 – 1.04 (m, 4H), 0.98 – 0.86 (m, 14H), 0.80 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 145.8, 131.4, 123.7, 116.9, 74.5, 47.3, 41.1, 34.4, 31.5, 26.6, 23.7, 22.1, 20.8, 16.6. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd for C₃₄H₄₇NO₄ (M-H)⁻ 532.34323, found 532.34344.



(4g) diethyl 2,2'-((azanediylbis(4,1-phenylene))bis(oxy))bis(2-methylpropanoate): Following the General Procedure B with ethyl 2-(4-bromophenoxy)-2-methylpropanoate (86.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), 4g was obtained as a yellow solid (21.3 mg, 33%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

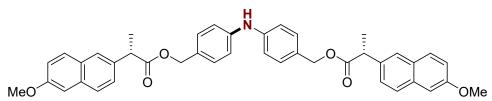
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.90 – 6.85 (m, 4H), 6.82 – 6.77 (m, 4H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 4.24 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.55 (s, 12H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.4, 149.4, 139.0, 121.4, 118.6, 79.6, 61.3, 25.3, 14.1. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₃₁NO₆ (M+H)⁺ 430.22241, found 430.22192.



(4h) 4-((4-((((R)-2-(2-fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)propanoyl)oxy)methyl)phenyl)amino) benzyl (S)-2-(2-fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)propanoate: Following the General Procedure B with 4-bromobenzyl (S)-2-(2-fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)propanoate (124.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), 4h was obtained as a yellow solid (35.8 mg, 35%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.20 – 7.07 (m, 8H), 7.03 – 6.97 (m, 4H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 23.2, 12.0 Hz, 4H), 3.78 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.54 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.9, 159.7 (d, *J* = 248.3

Hz), 142.9, 141.8 (d, J = 7.7 Hz), 135.5, 130.8 (d, J = 3.9 Hz), 129.8, 129.0 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 128.5, 128.3, 127.8 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 127.7, 123.6 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 117.6, 115.3 (d, J = 23.7 Hz), 66.7, 45.1, 18.4. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd for $C_{44}H_{37}F_2NO_4$ (M+H)⁺ 682.27634, found 682.27539.



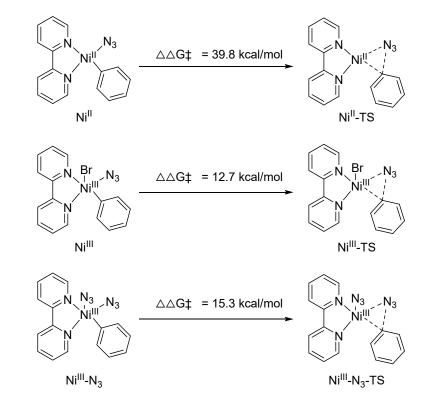
(4i) 4-((4-((((R)-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)propanoyl)oxy)methyl)phenyl)amino)benzyl (S)-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)propanoate: Following the General Procedure B with 4-bromobenzyl (S)-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)propanoate (119.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), 4i was obtained as a yellow solid (41.2 mg, 42%). This target product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 2:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 – 7.61 (m, 6H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.08 (m, 8H), 6.99 – 6.89 (m, 4H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 5.04 (dd, *J* = 28.8, 12.4 Hz, 4H), 3.89 (s, 6H), 1.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.6, 157.6, 142.8, 135.7, 133.7, 129.7, 129.3, 128.9, 128.5, 127.1, 126.3, 126.0, 119.0, 117.6, 105.6, 66.5, 55.3, 45.5, 18.6. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd for C₄₂H₃₉NO₆ (M+H)⁺ 654.28501, found 654.28418.

9. Computational methods and details

9.1 Computational Methods

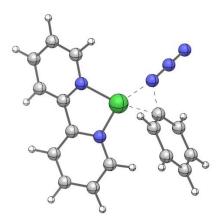
All calculations were carried out by using the Gaussian 16 suite of computational programs²⁶. The obtained transition states were fully optimized at the DFT level using the B3LYP[²⁷-D3(BJ) functional, which has been found reliable in calculating the configuration and energy barrier of the organic system.²⁸ The standard Def2SVP basis set²⁹ was applied for all atom.³⁰ Frequencies were analytically computed at the same level of theory to get the thermodynamic corrections and to confirm whether the structures are the corresponding transition states (only one imaginary frequency). All energies were reported in kcal/mol. The most stabilized conformation was reported herein, when several different conformations were obtained. Visualization was completed using CLYview20 software.³¹



9.2 Reductive Elimination Energy Barrier from Ni^{II} and Ni^{III}

10. Cartesian coordinates and energies of calculated structures



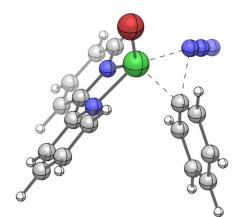


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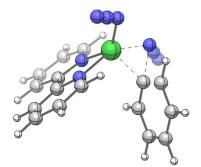


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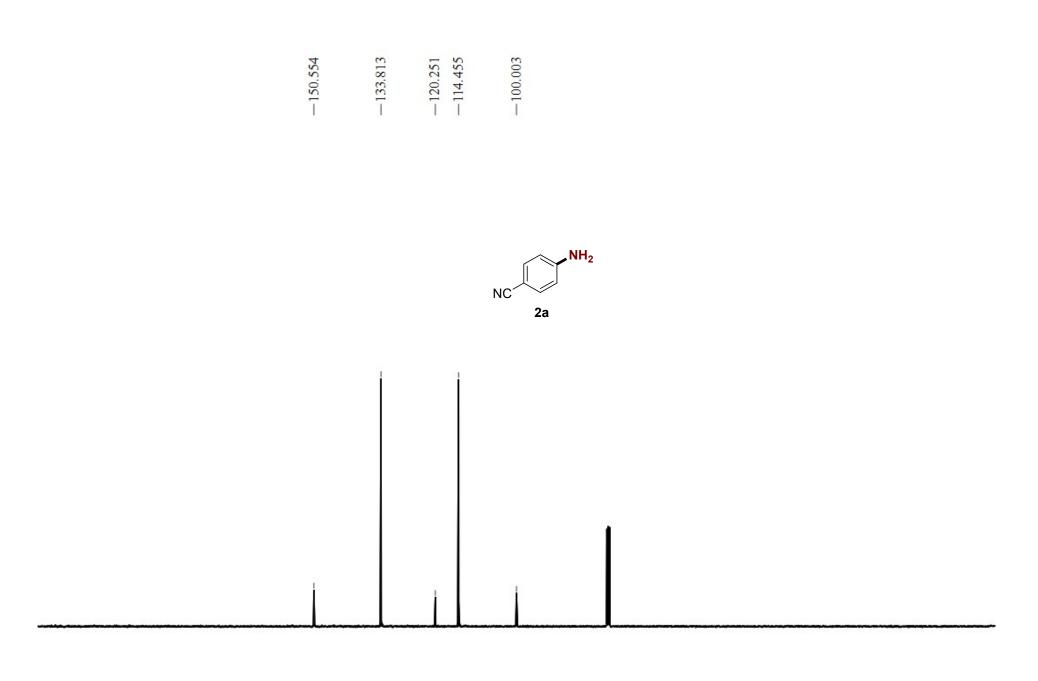
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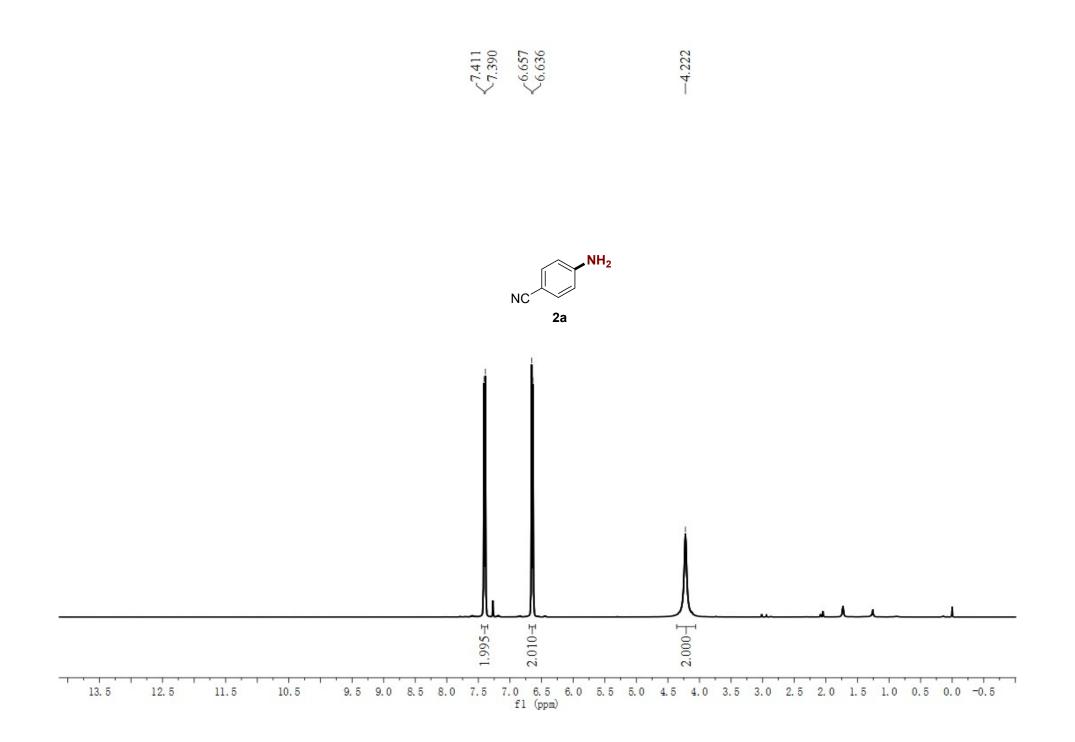
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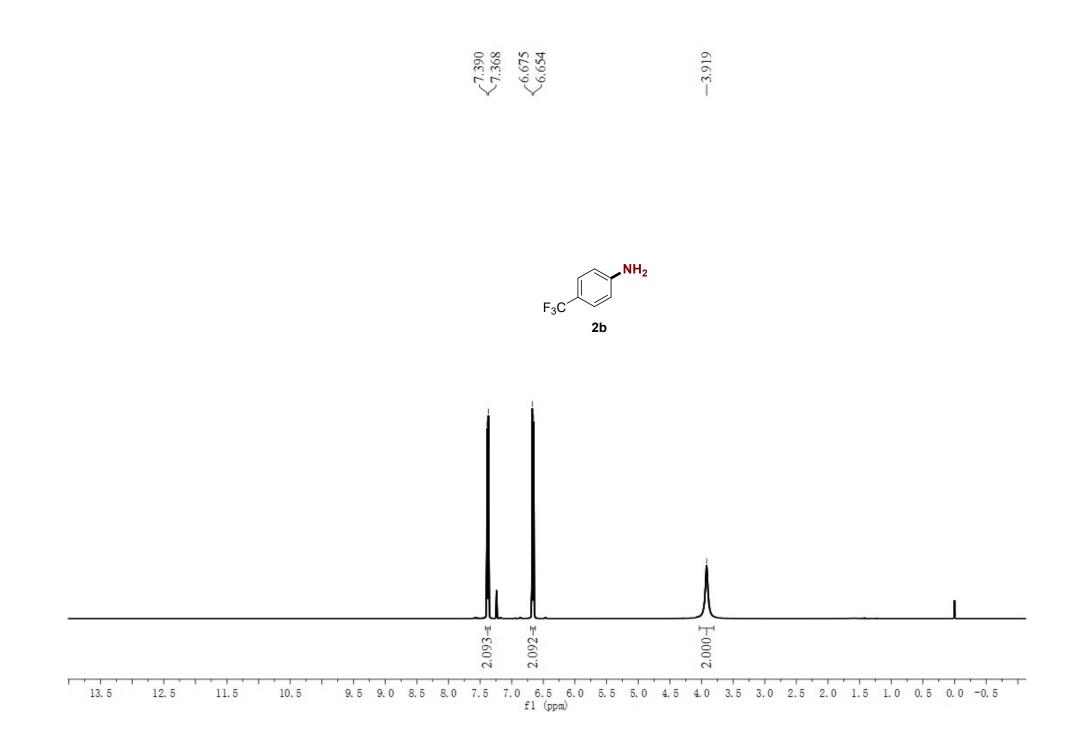
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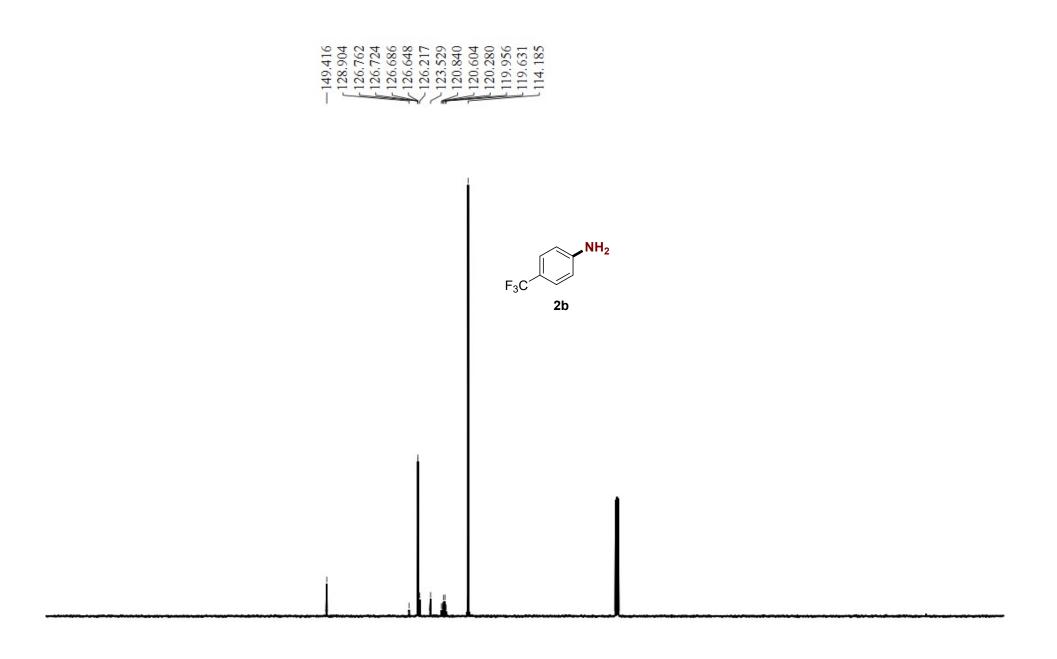
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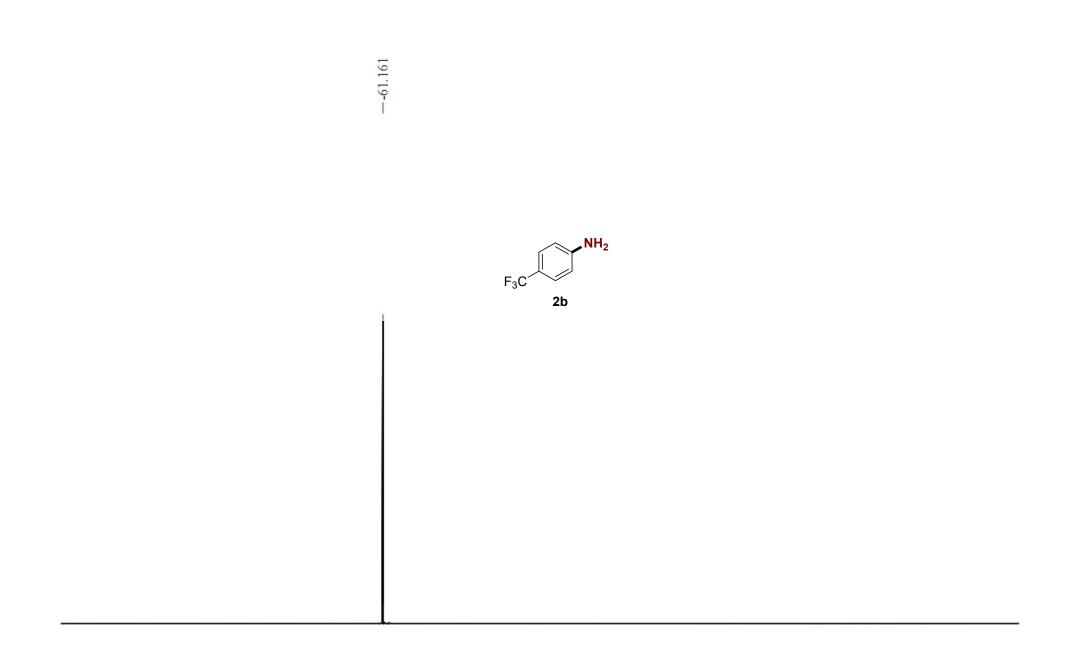
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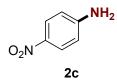
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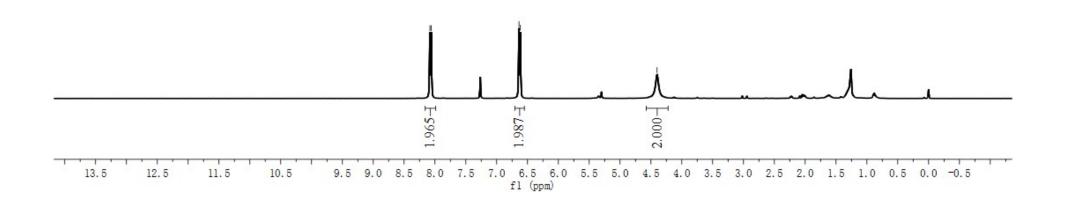


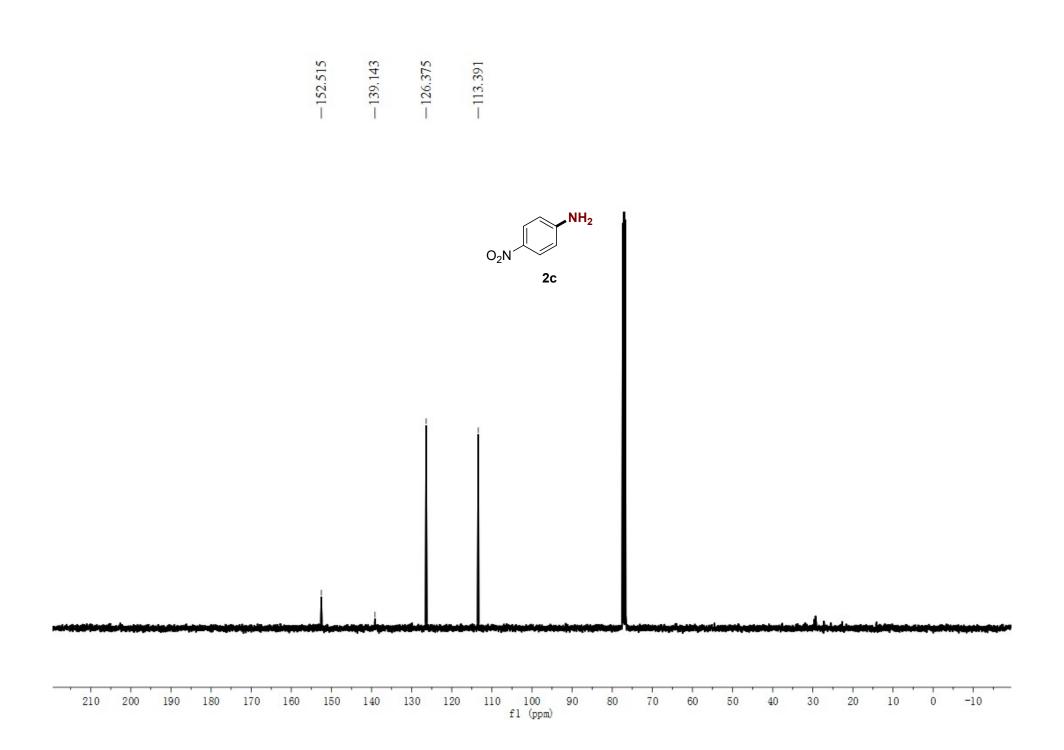
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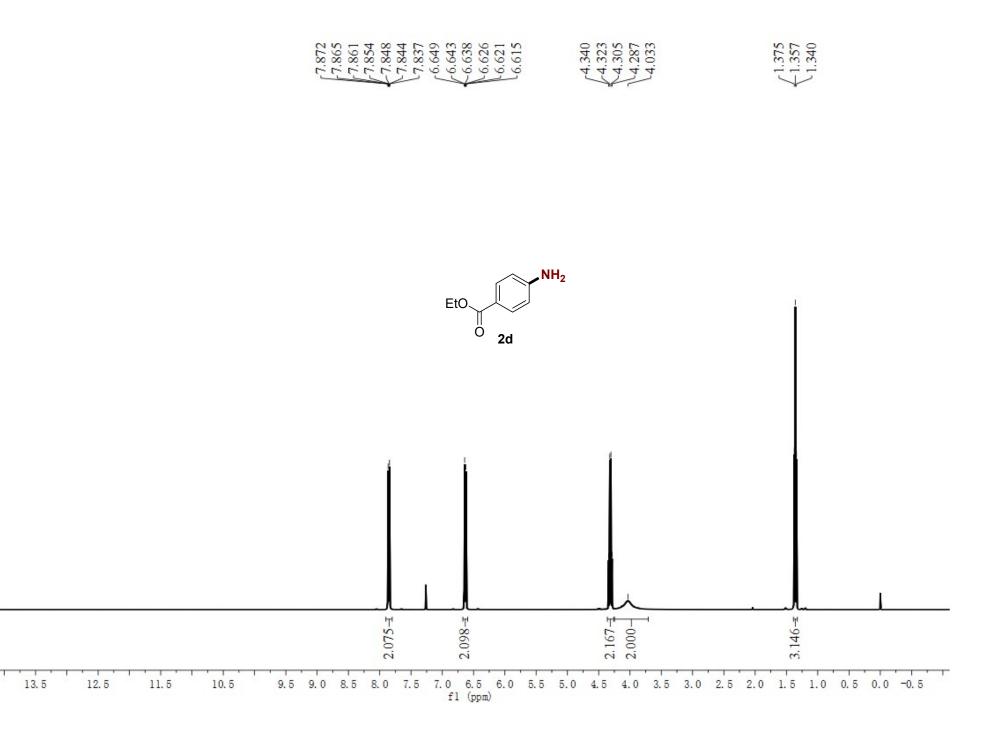


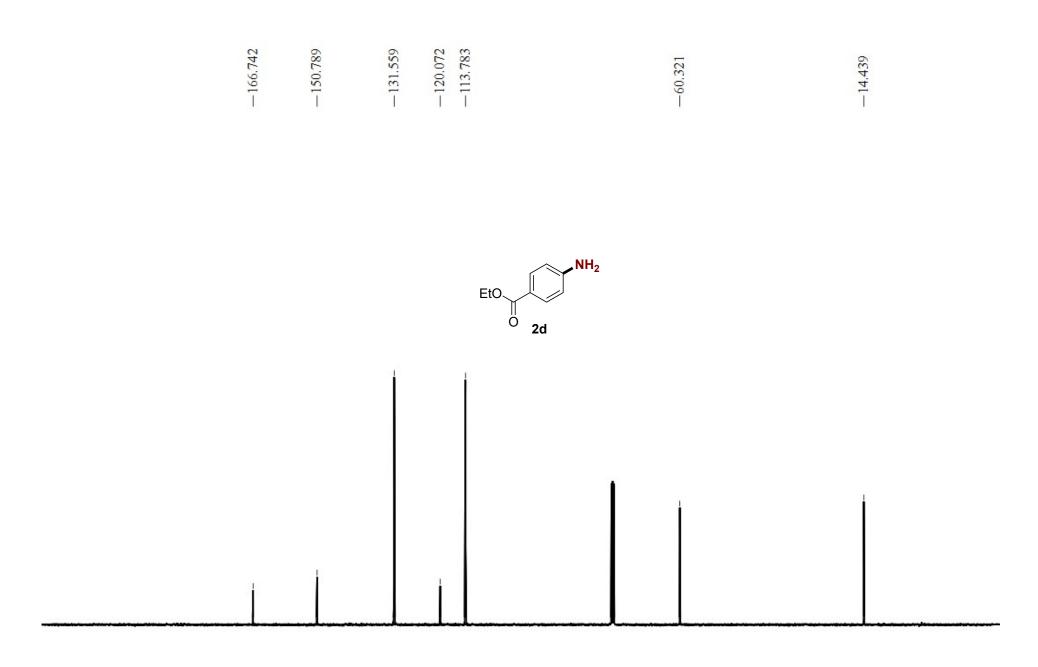
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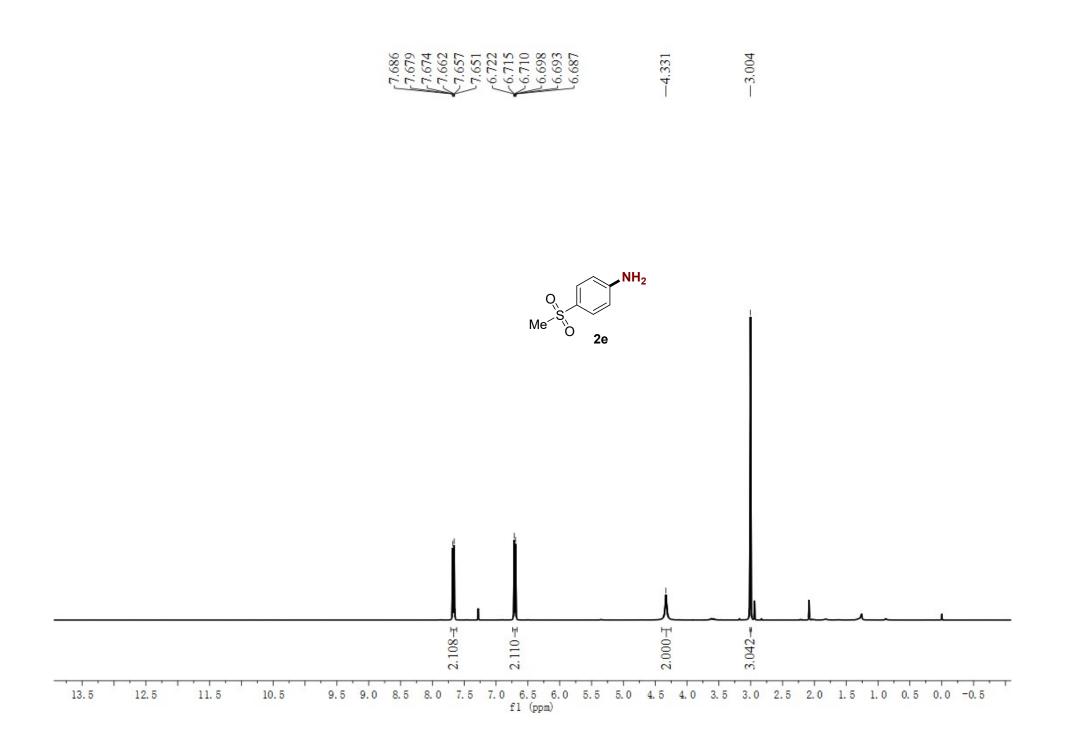


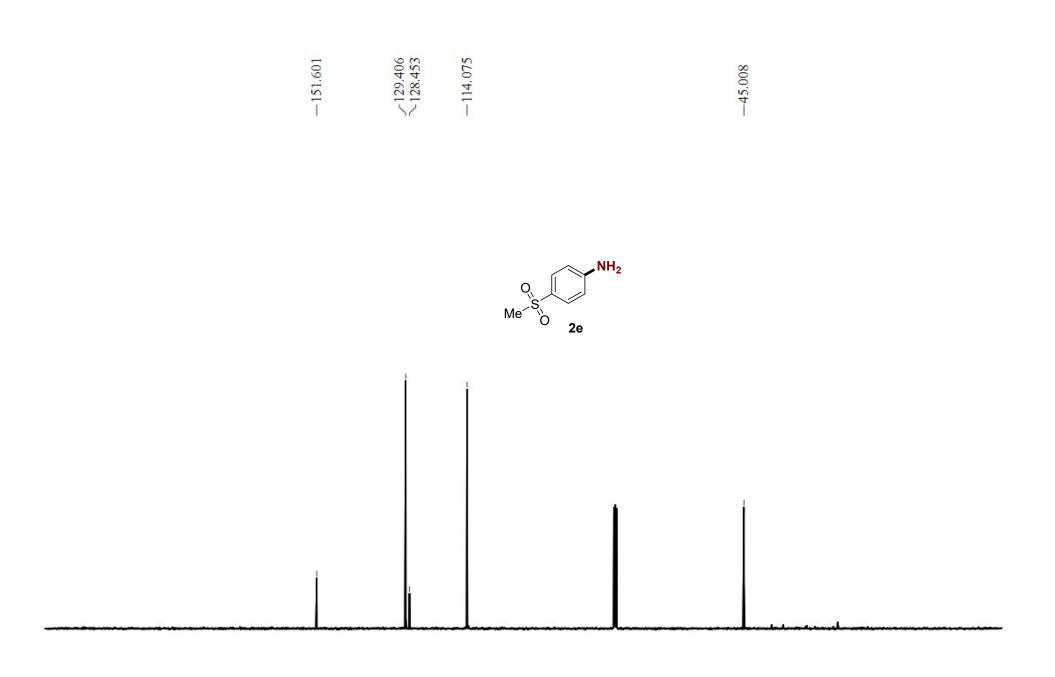




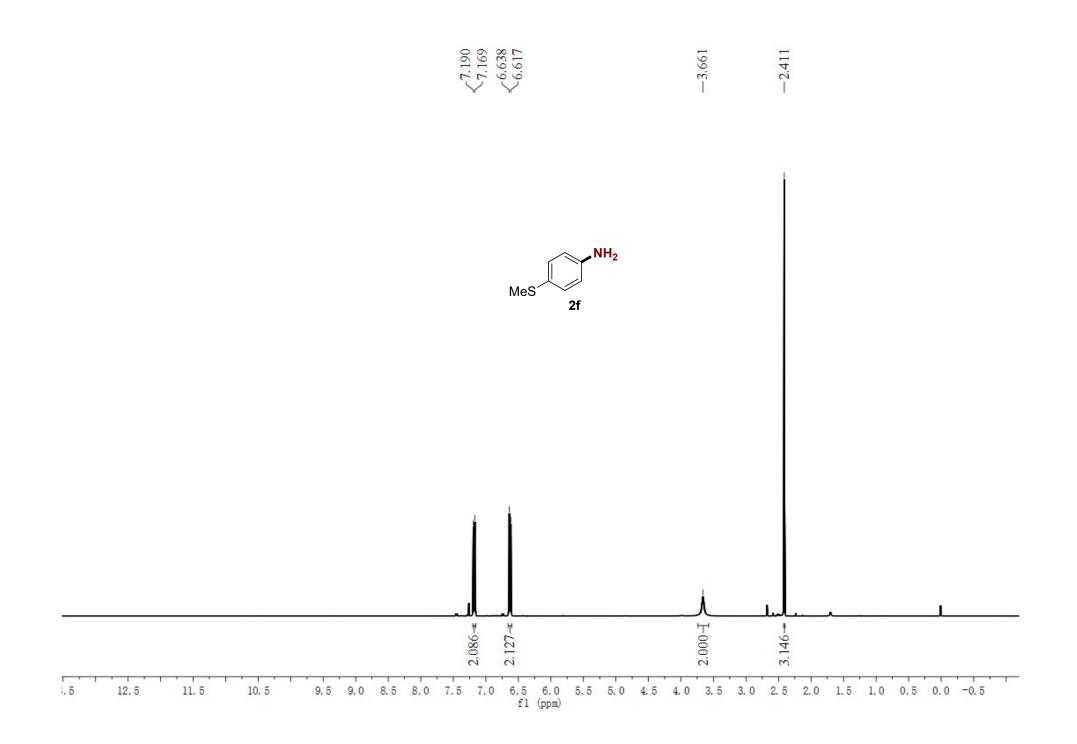


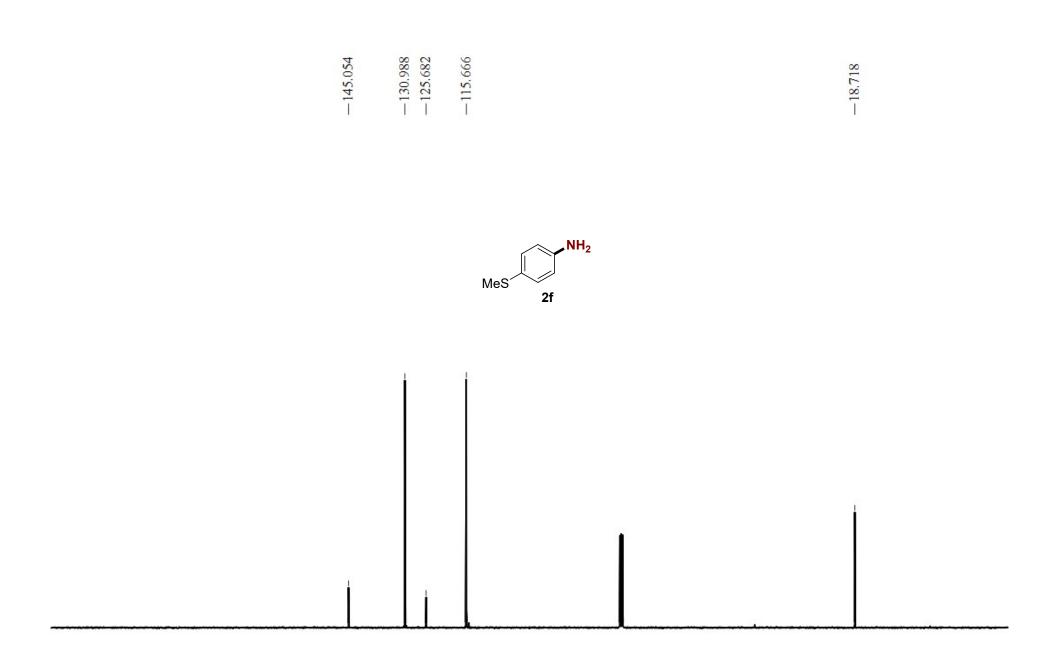
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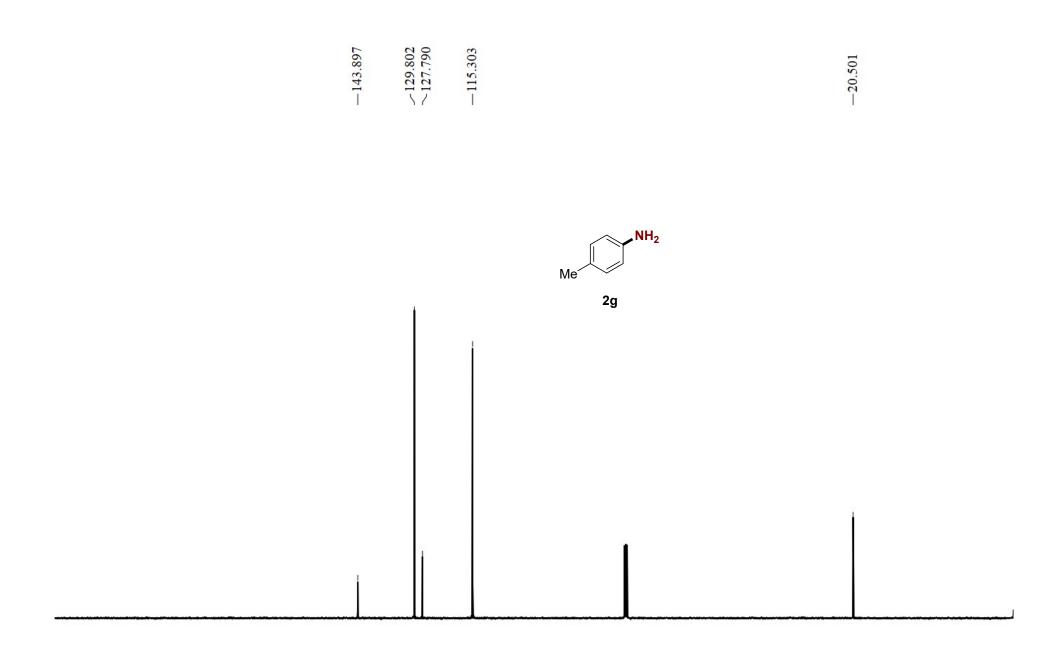


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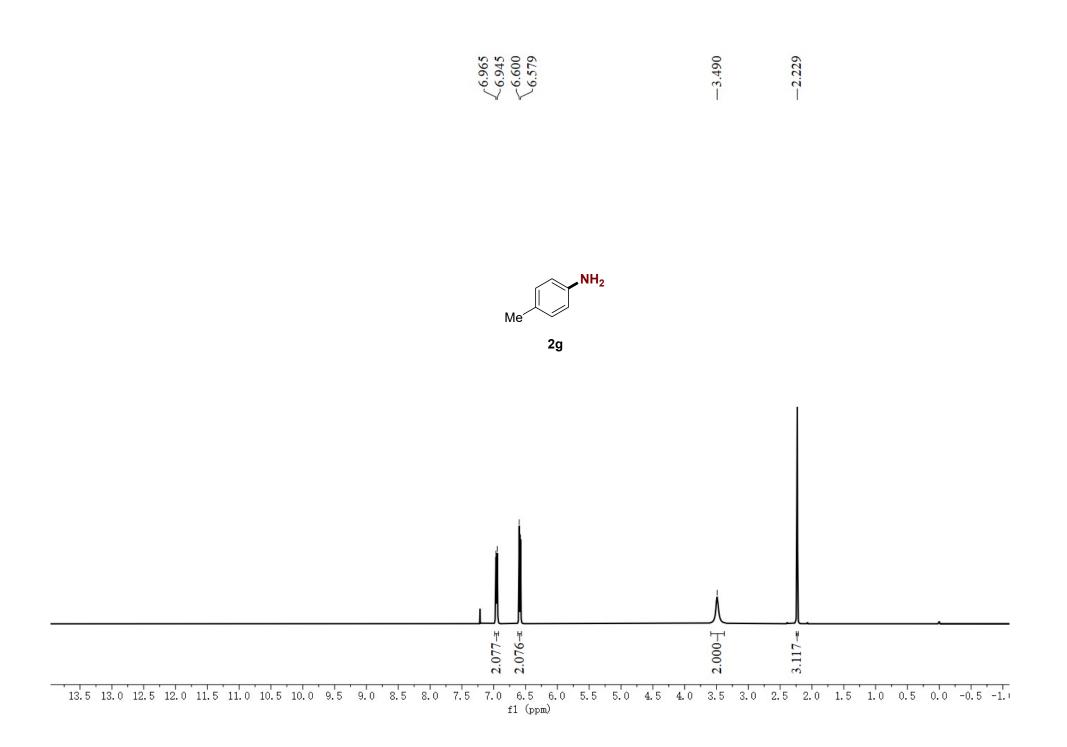


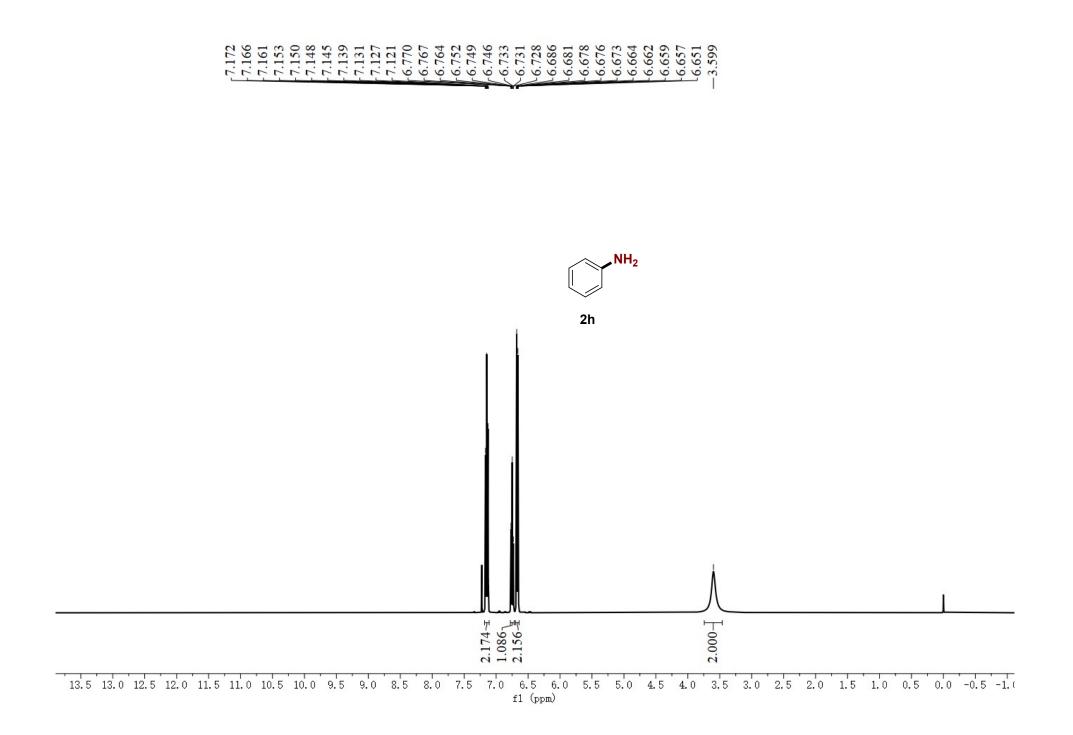


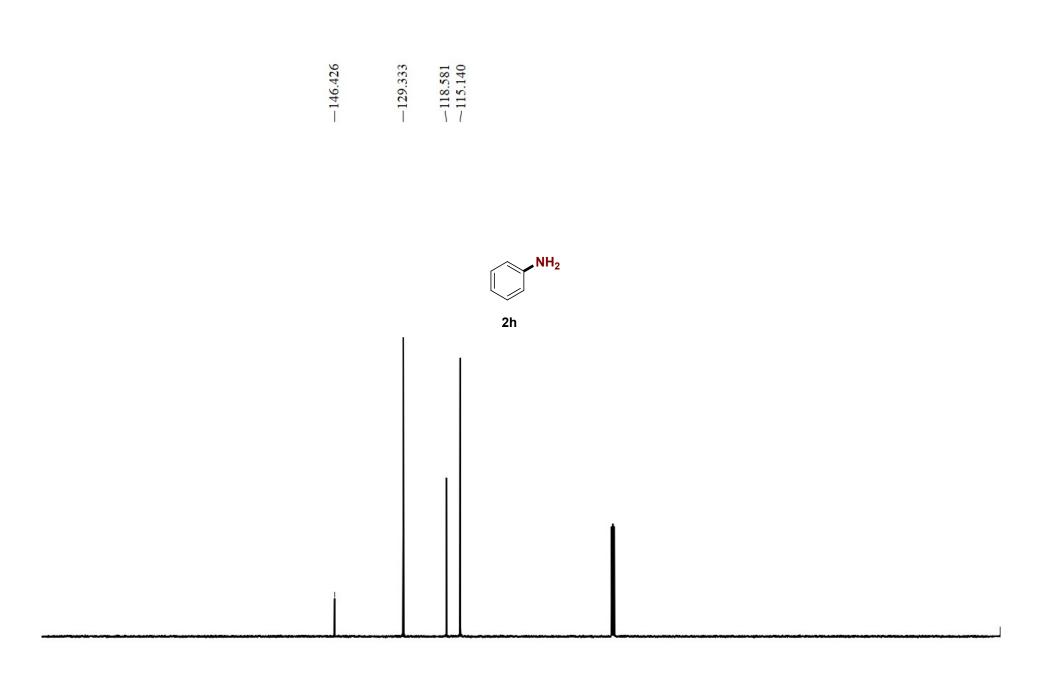
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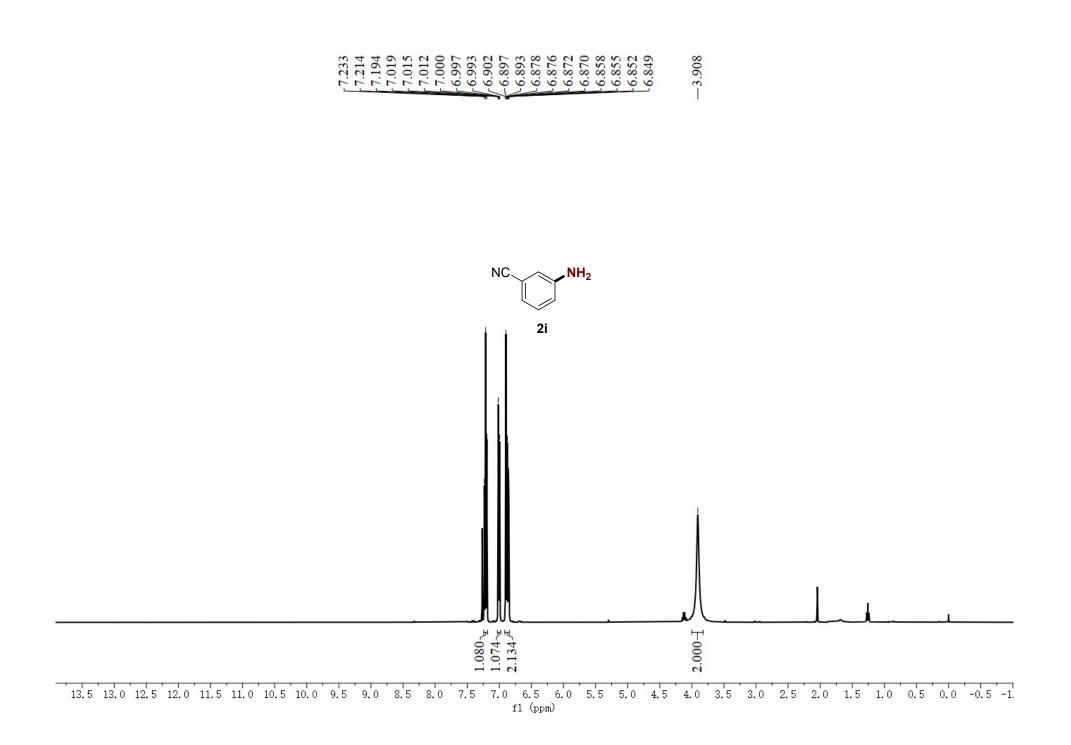
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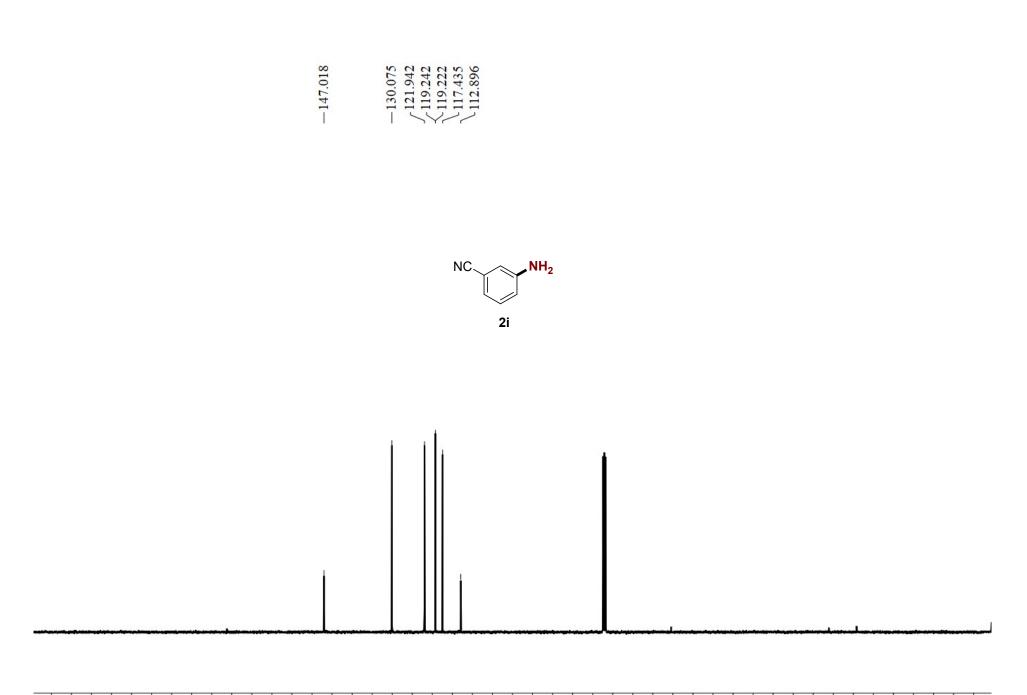




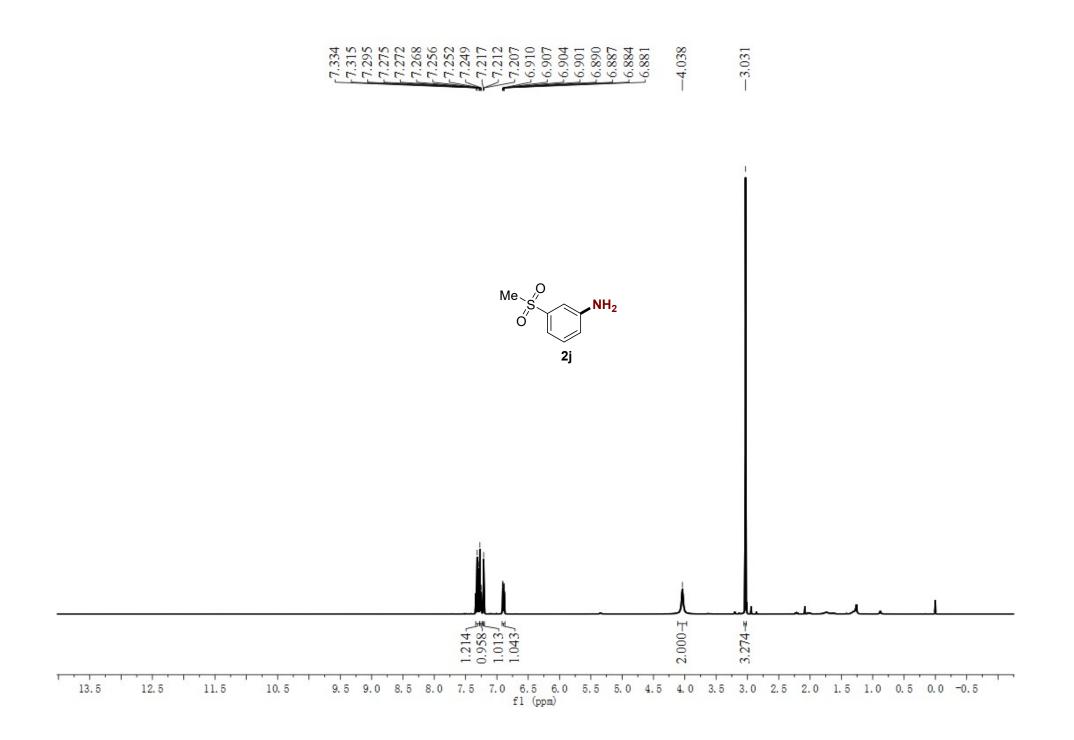


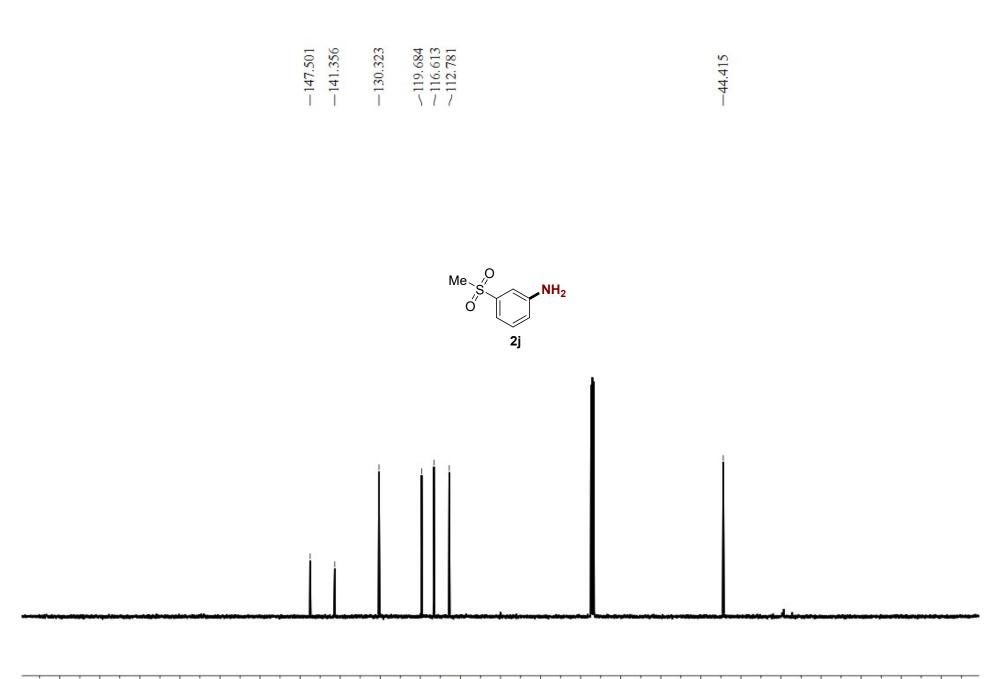
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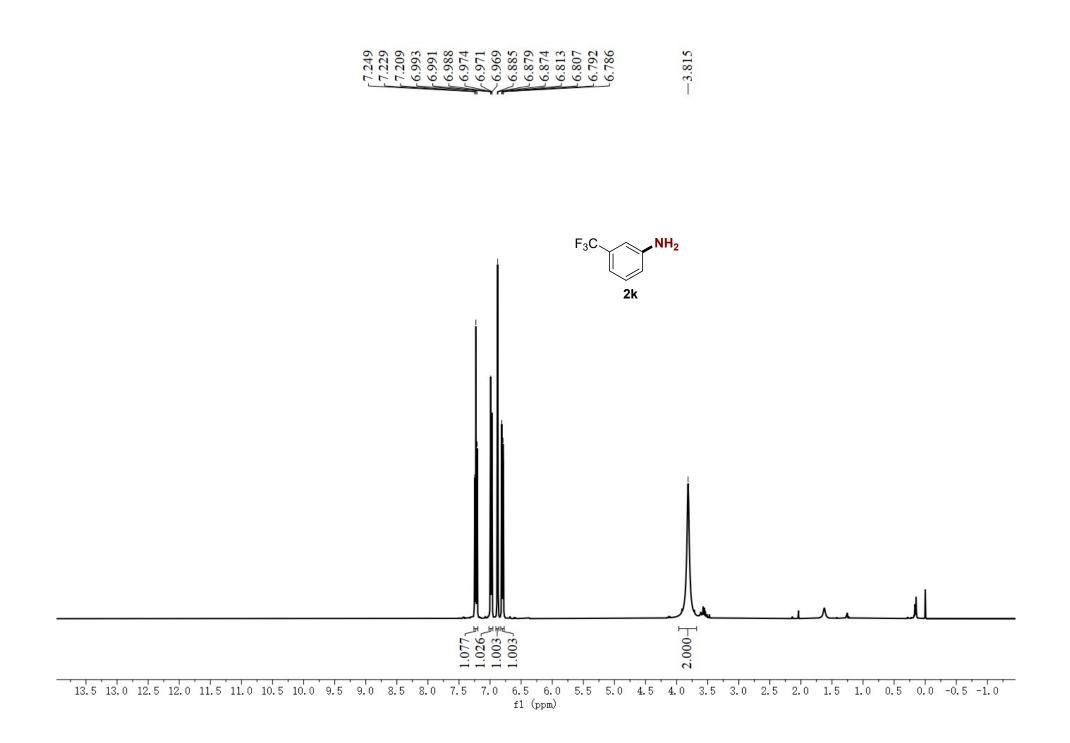


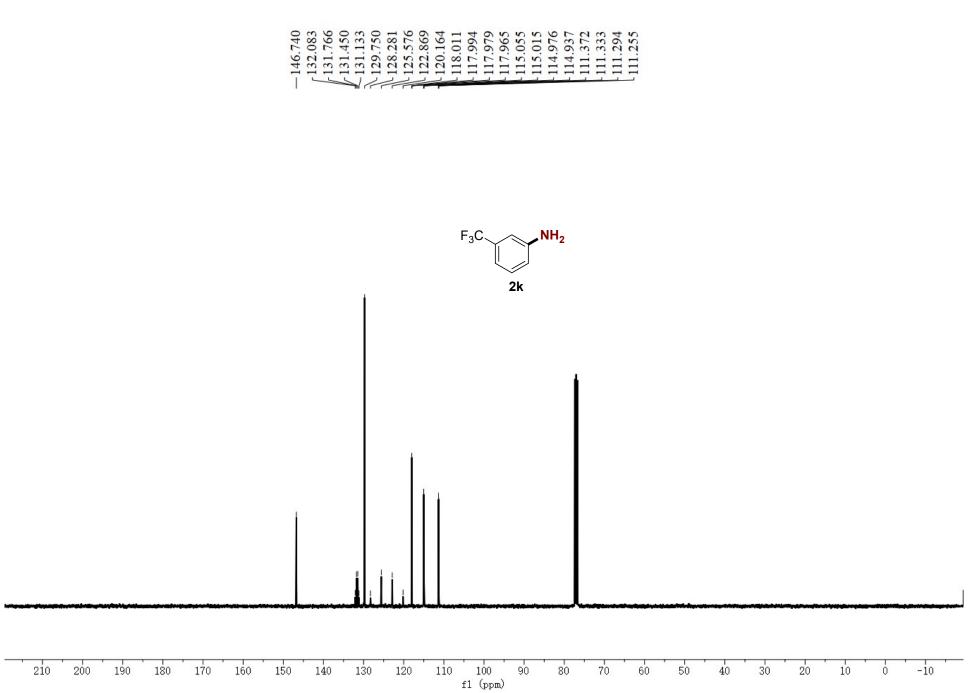
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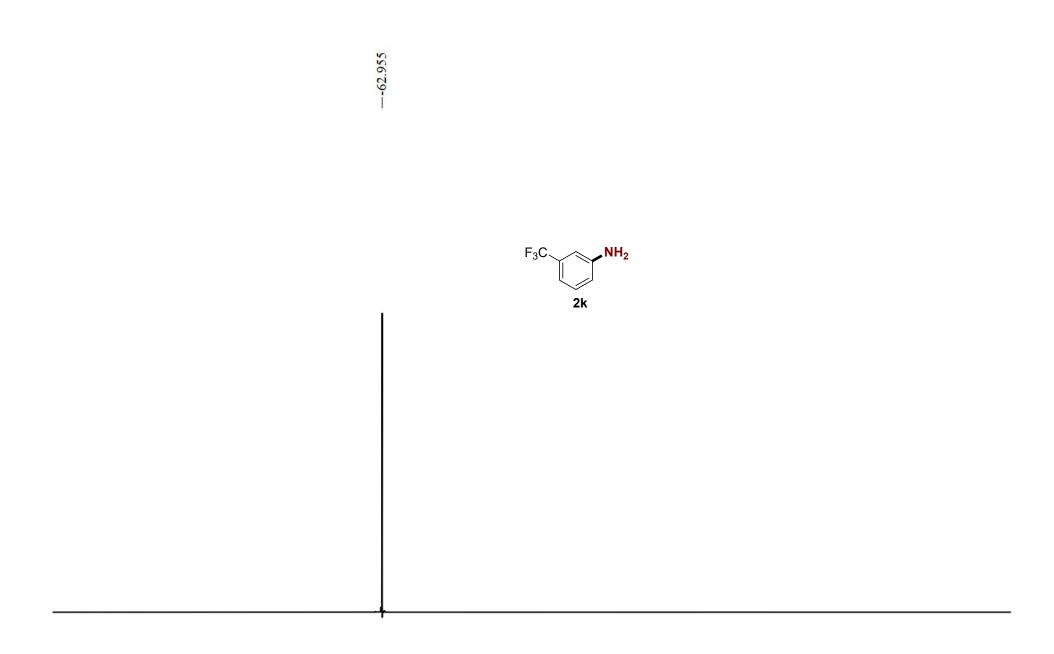




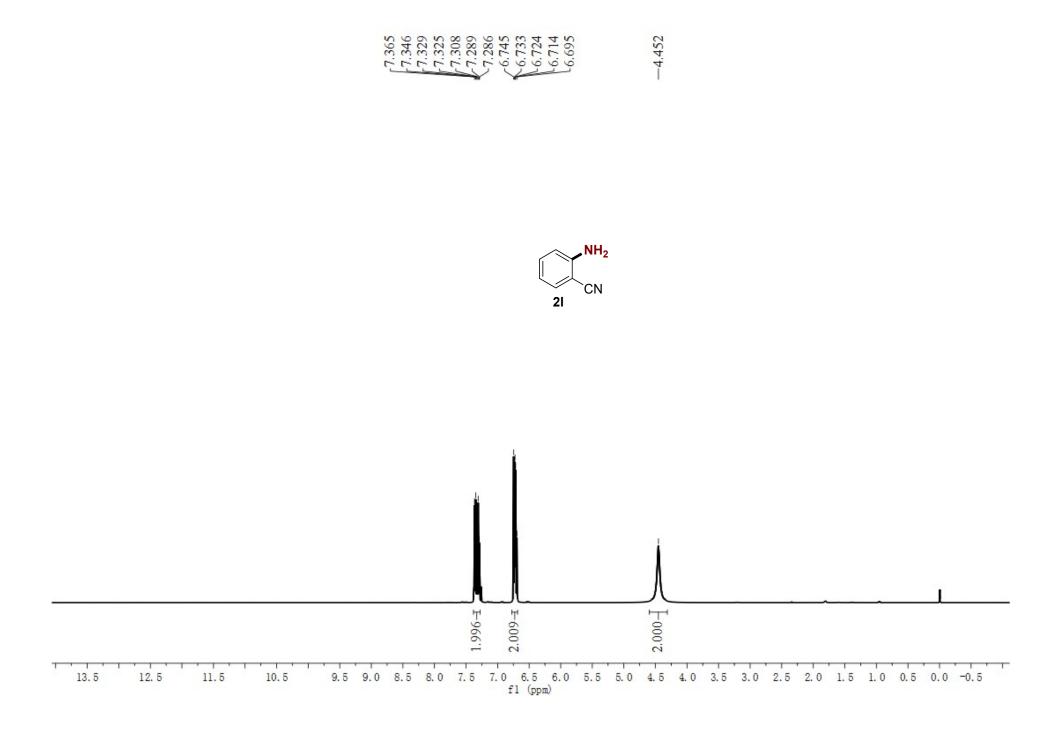
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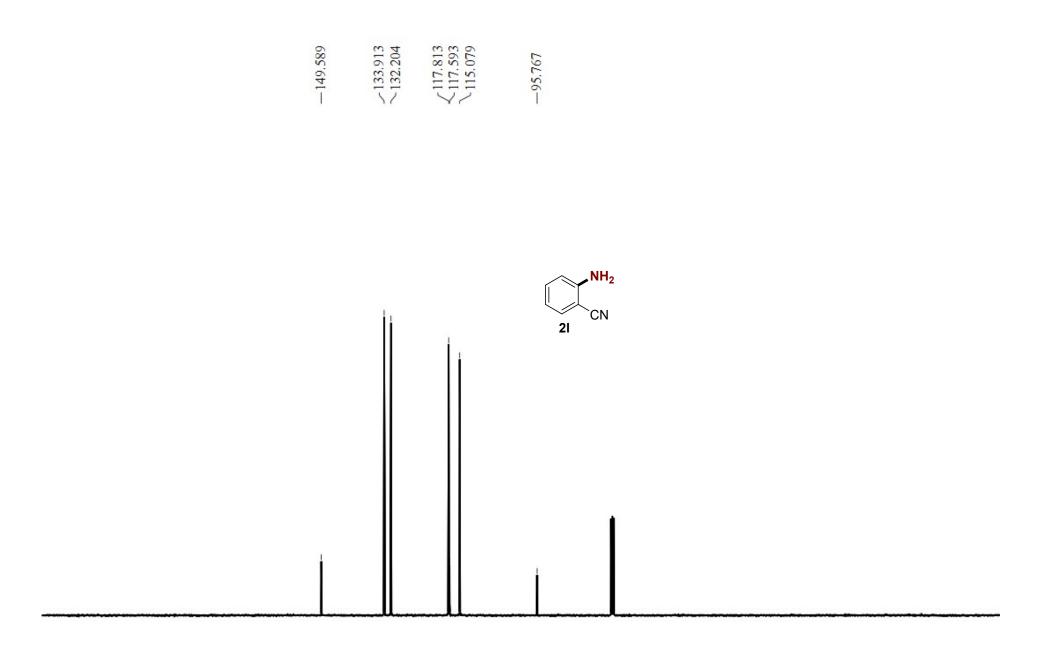




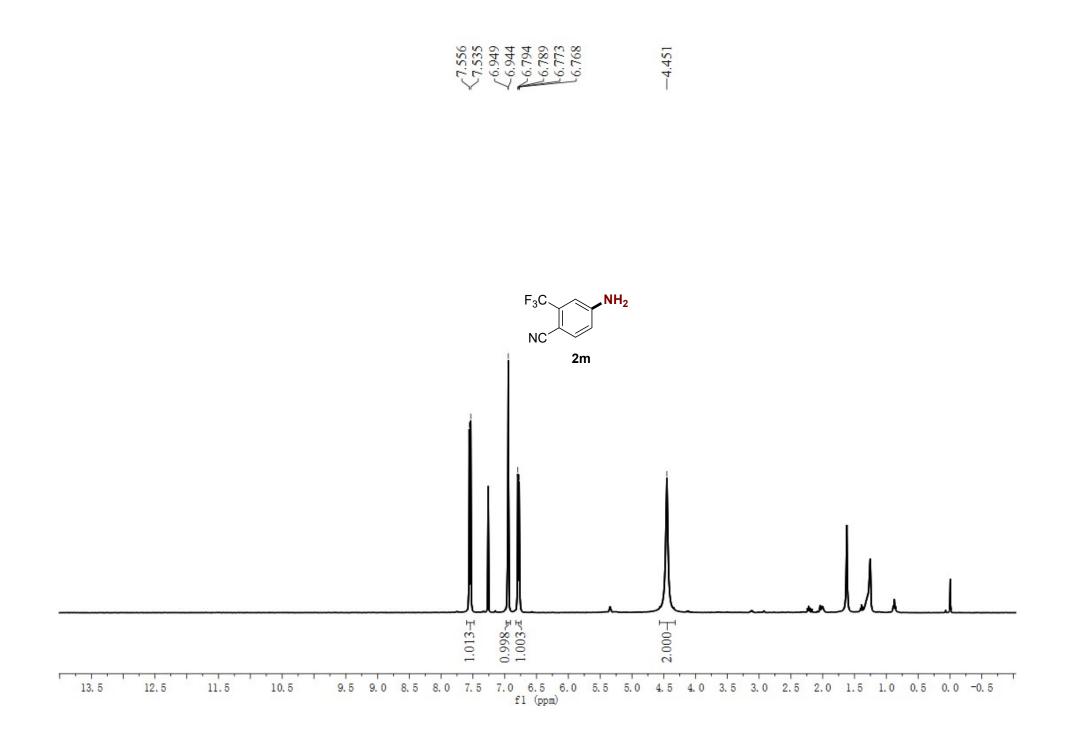


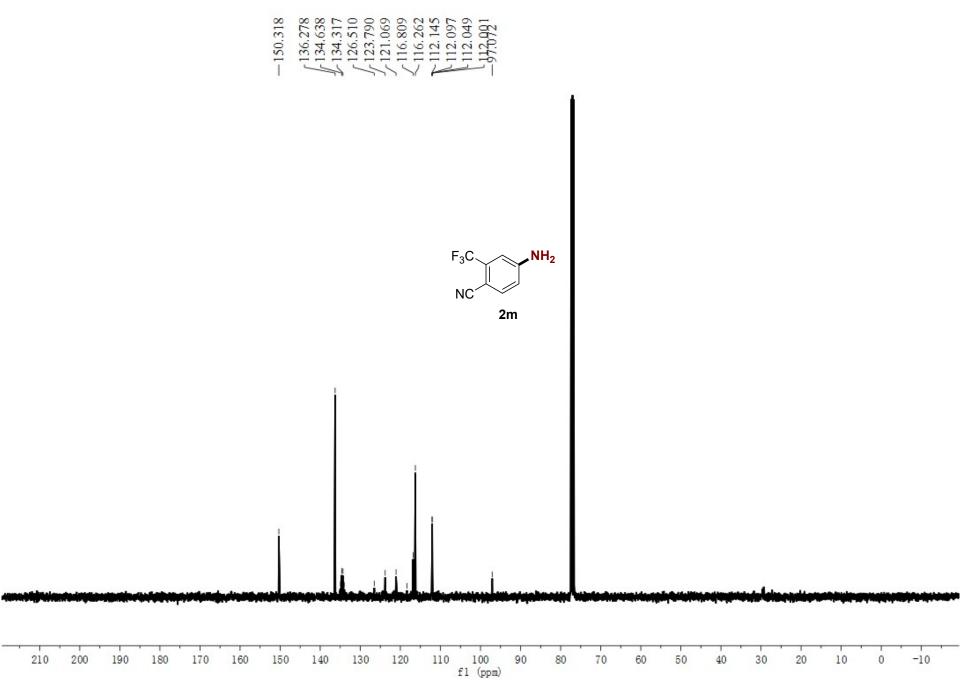
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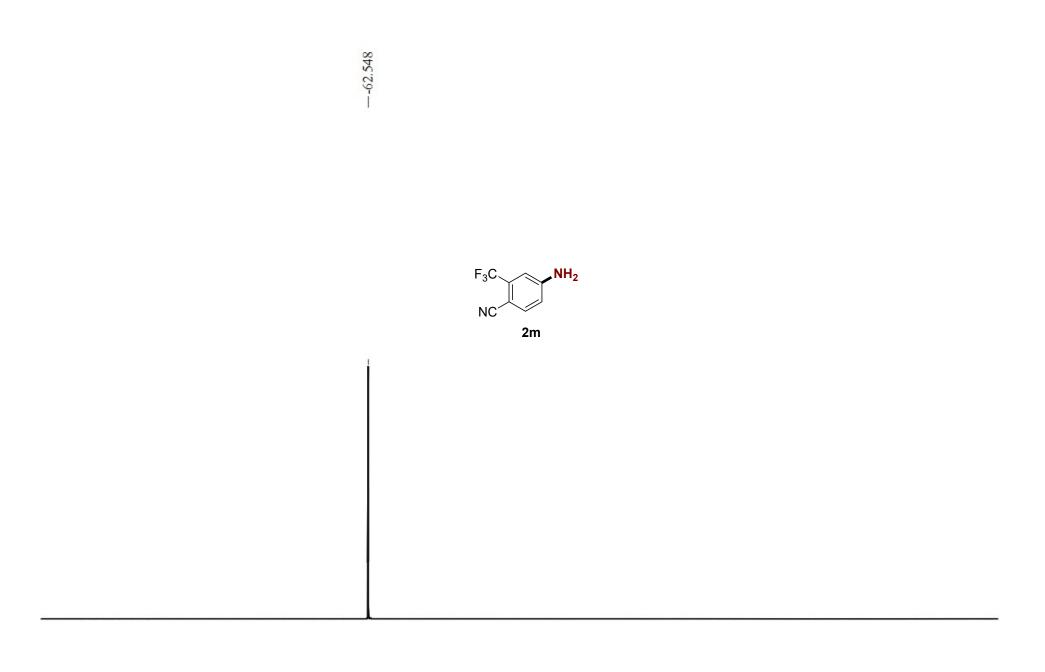




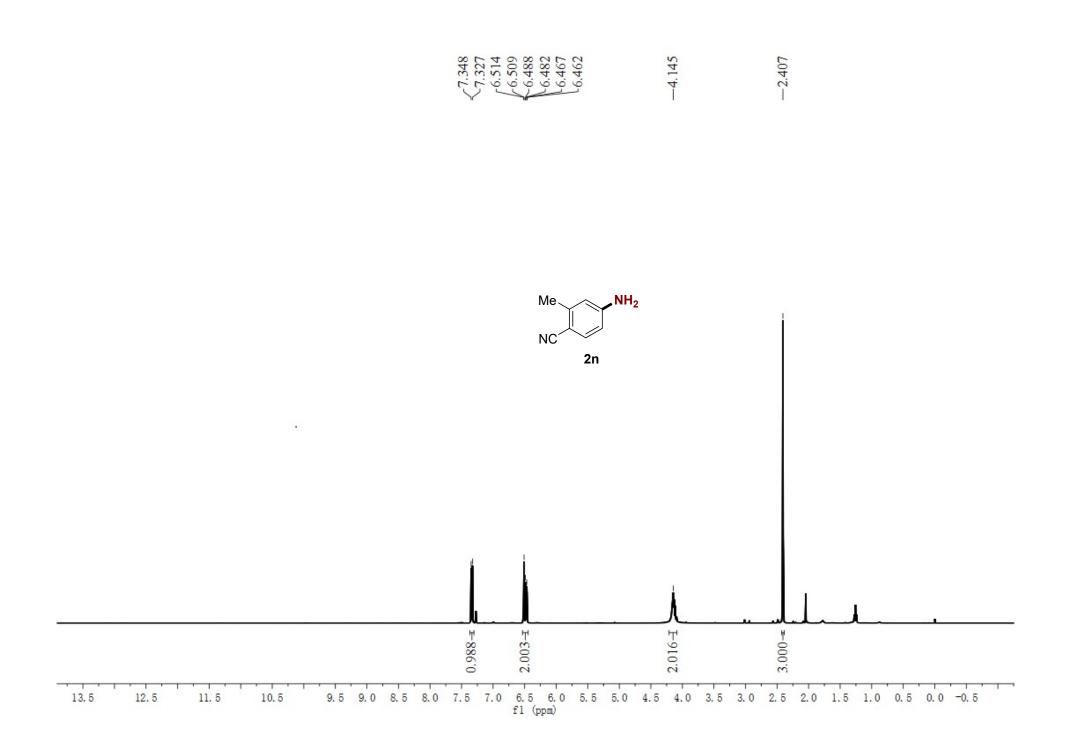
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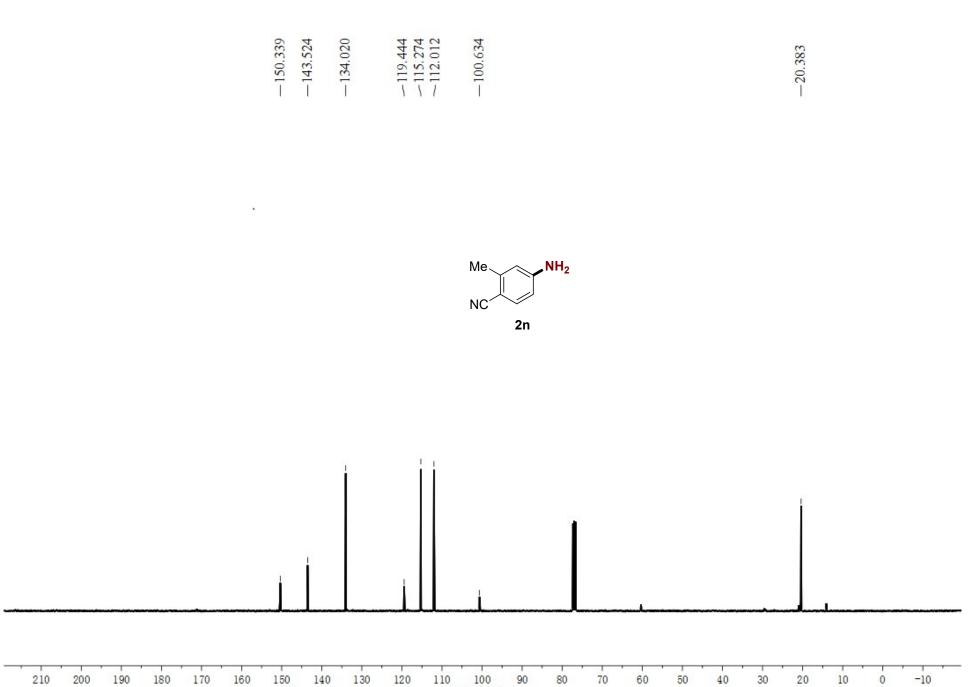




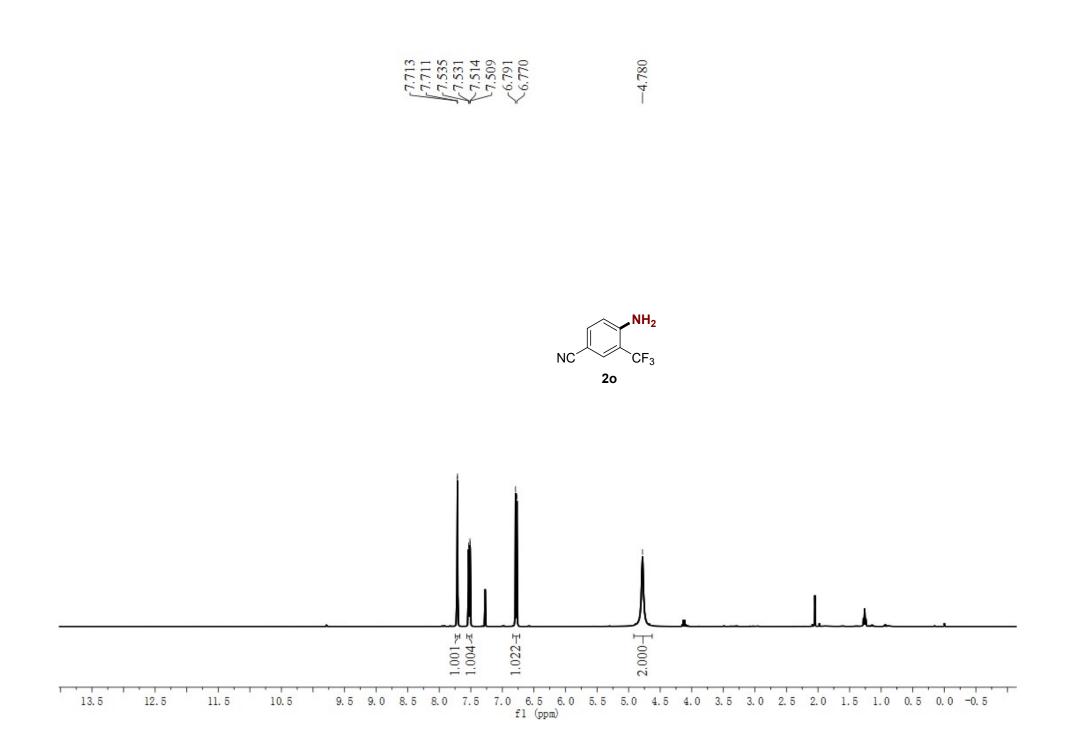


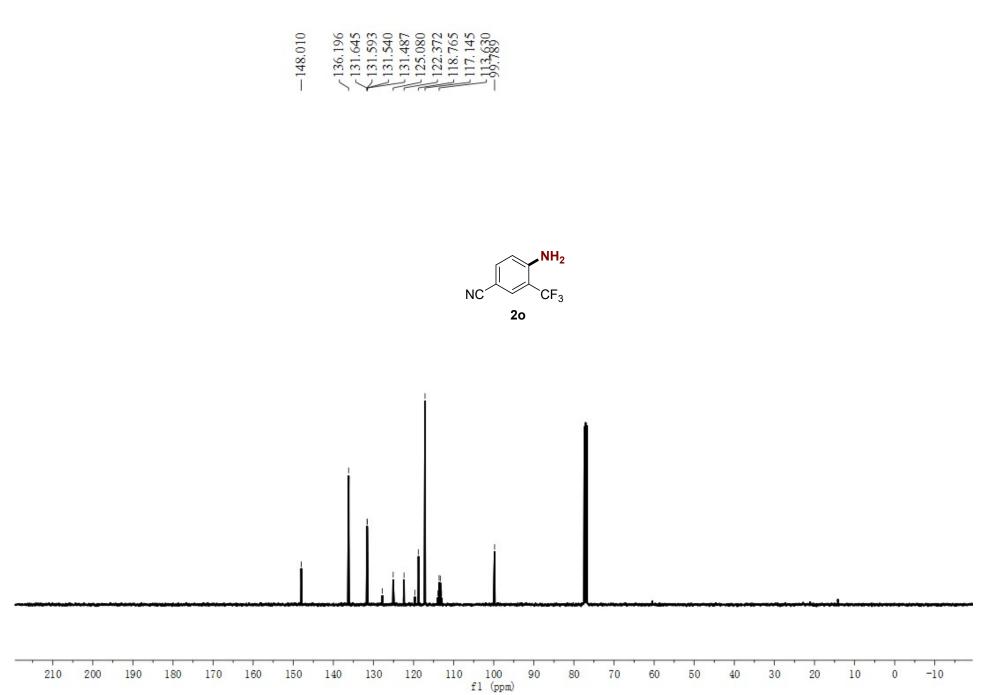
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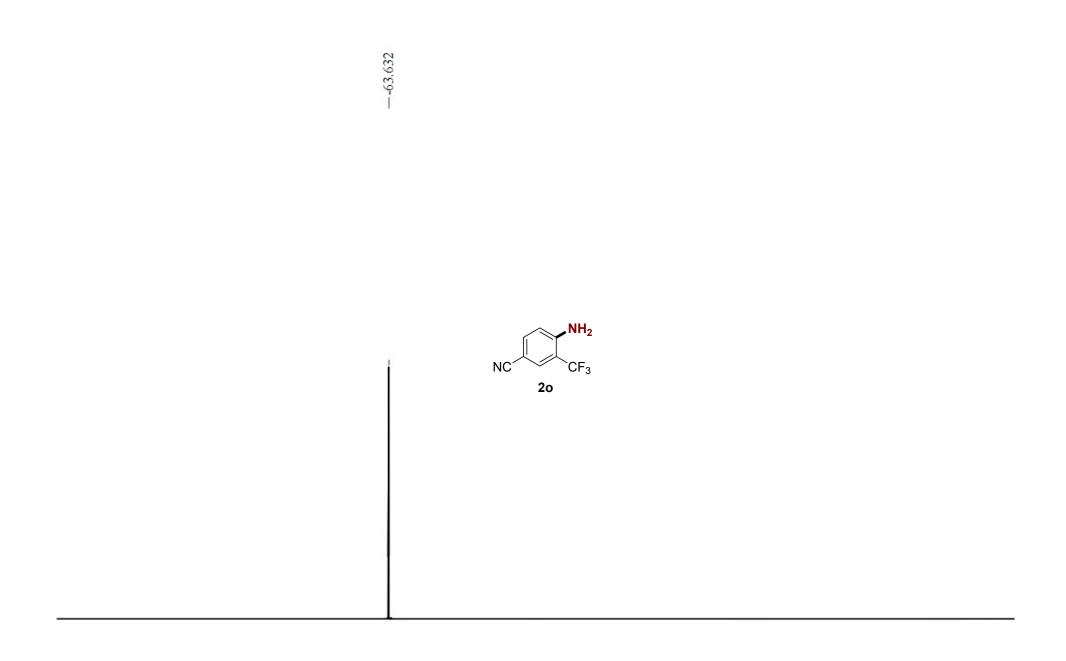




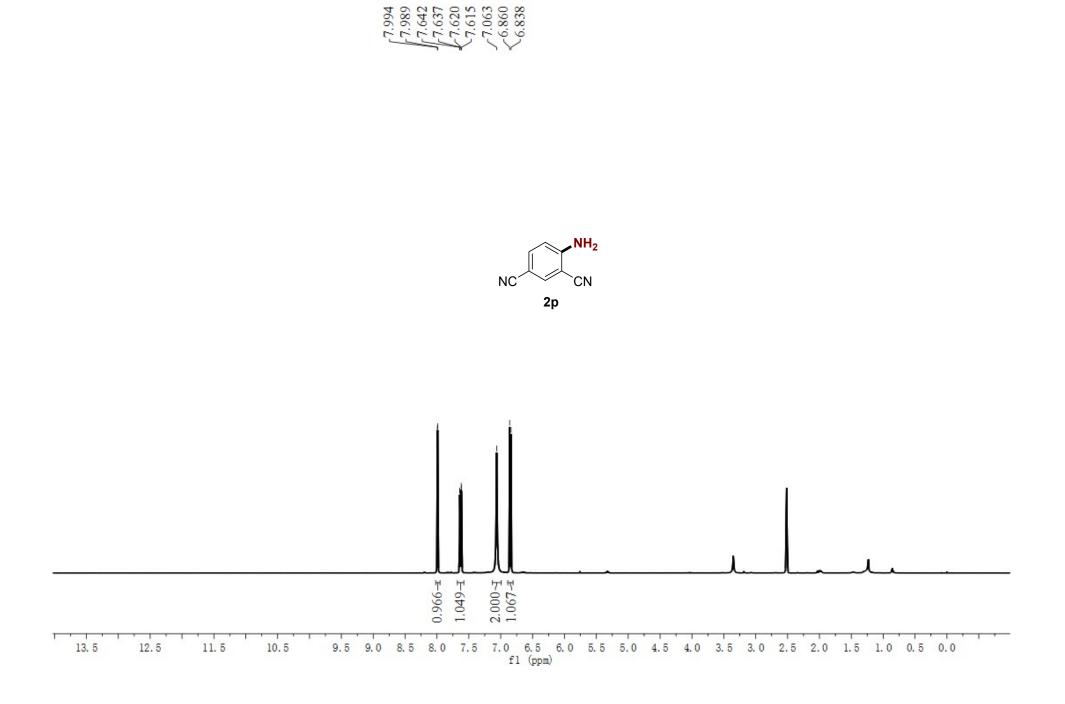
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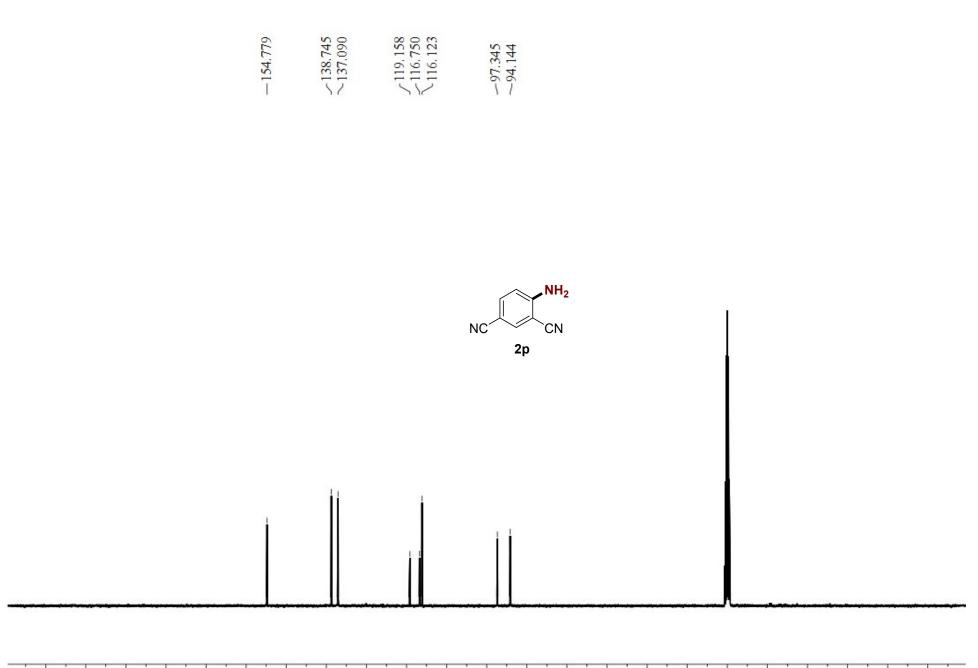




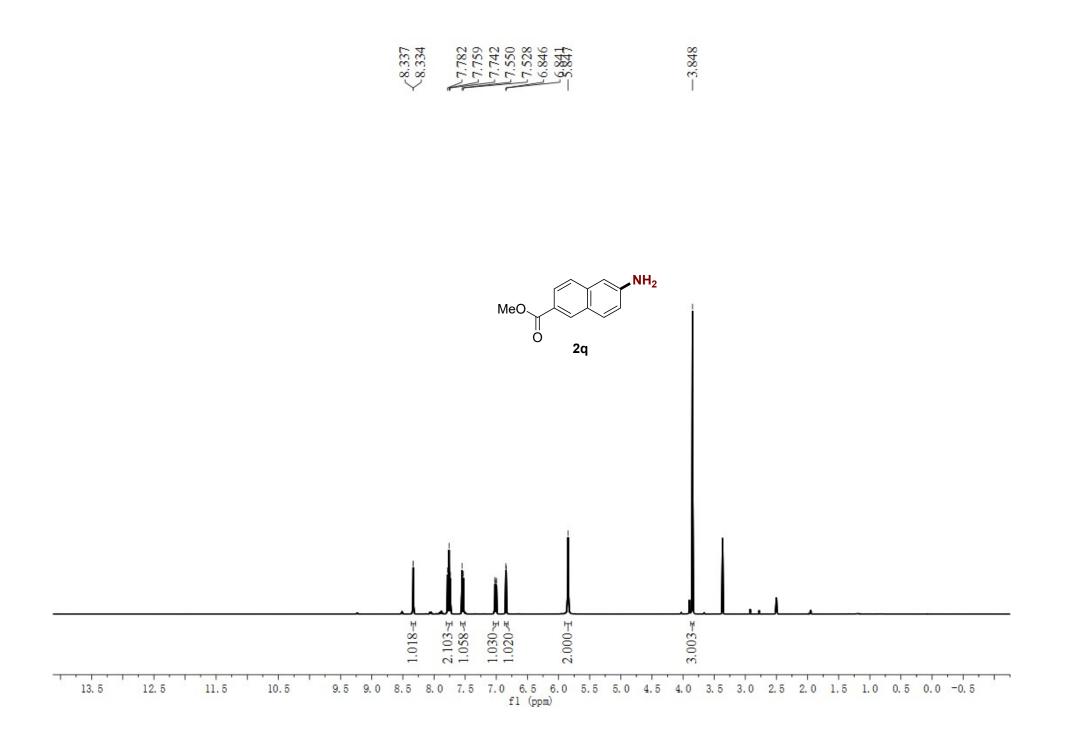


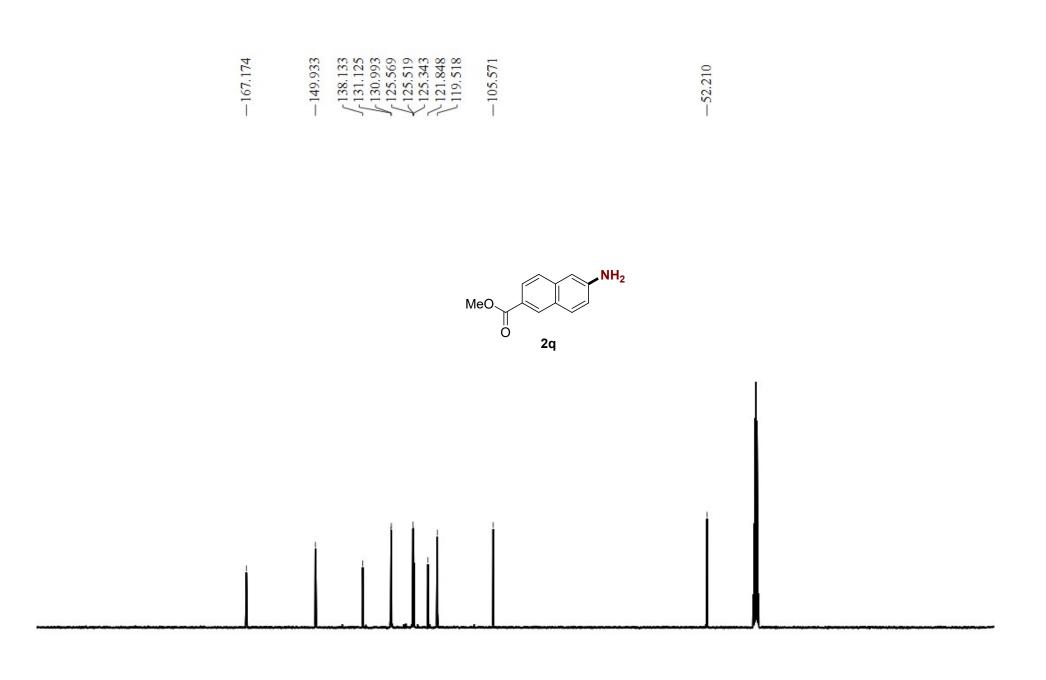
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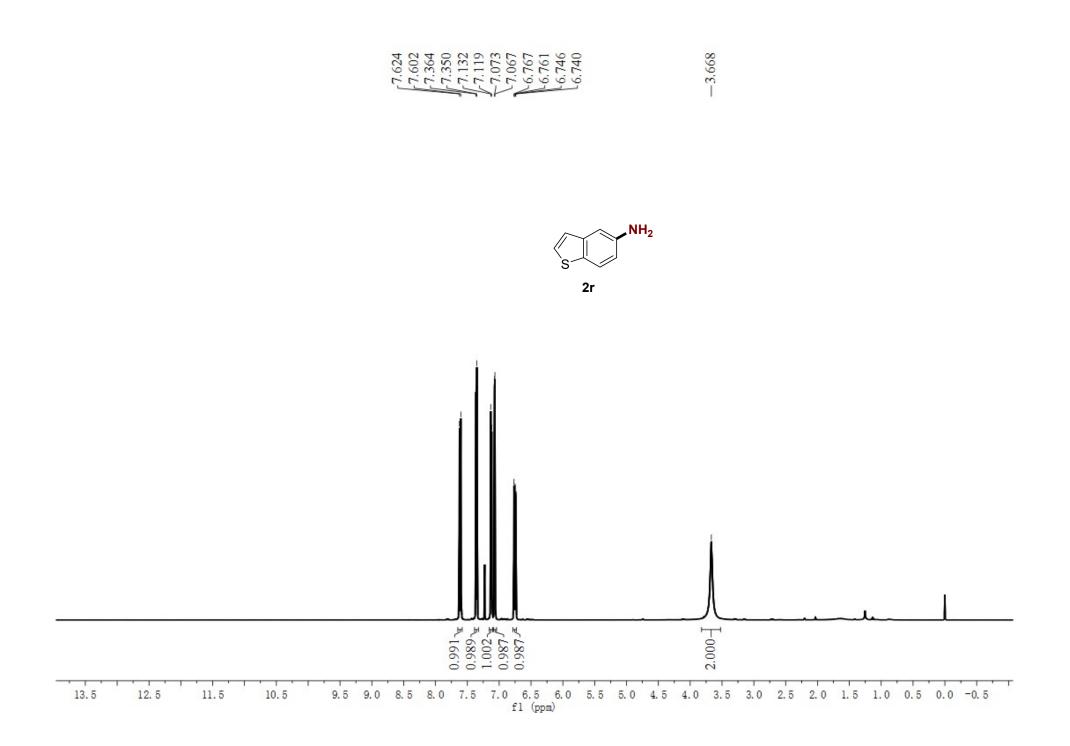


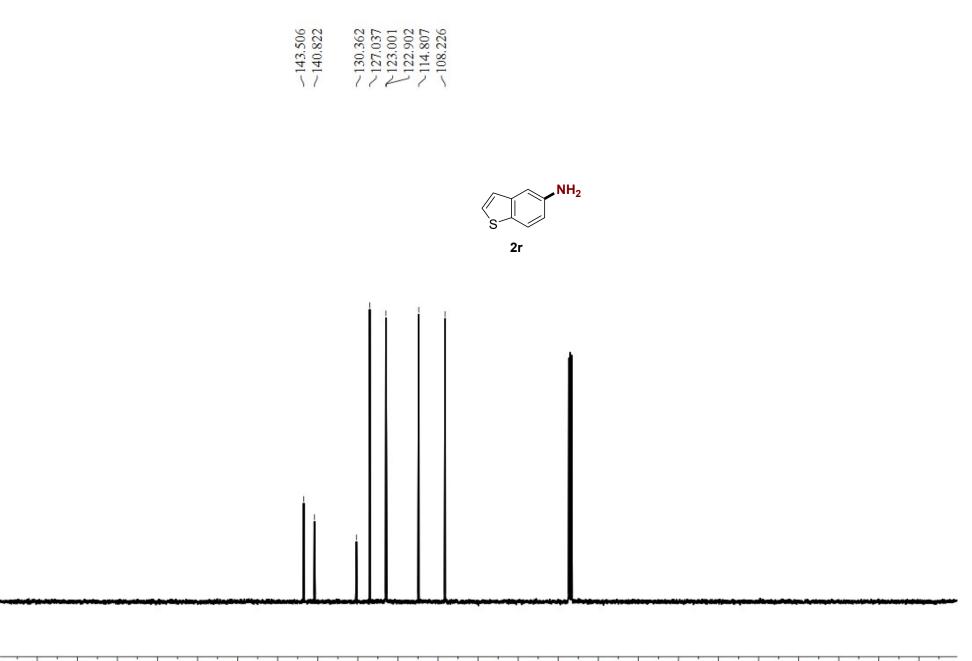
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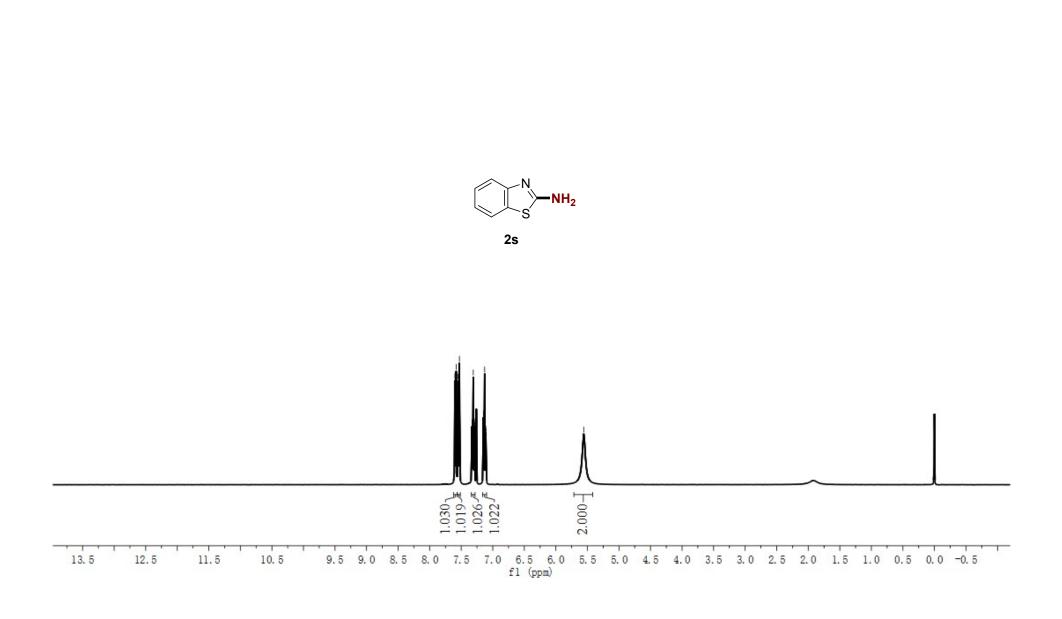


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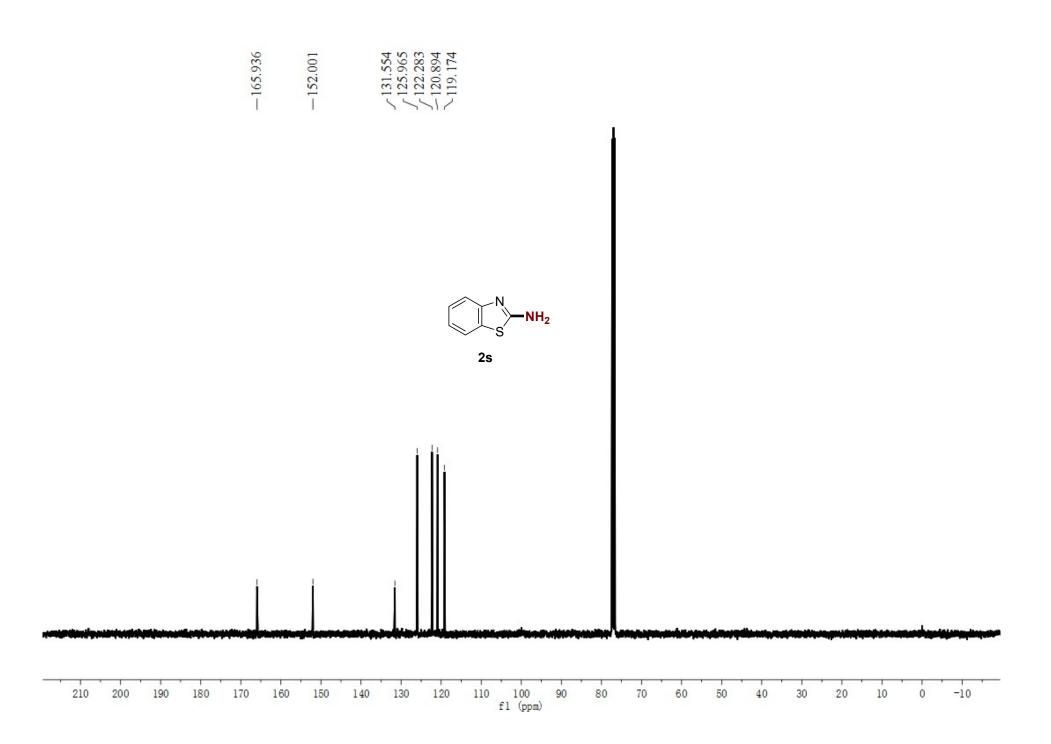


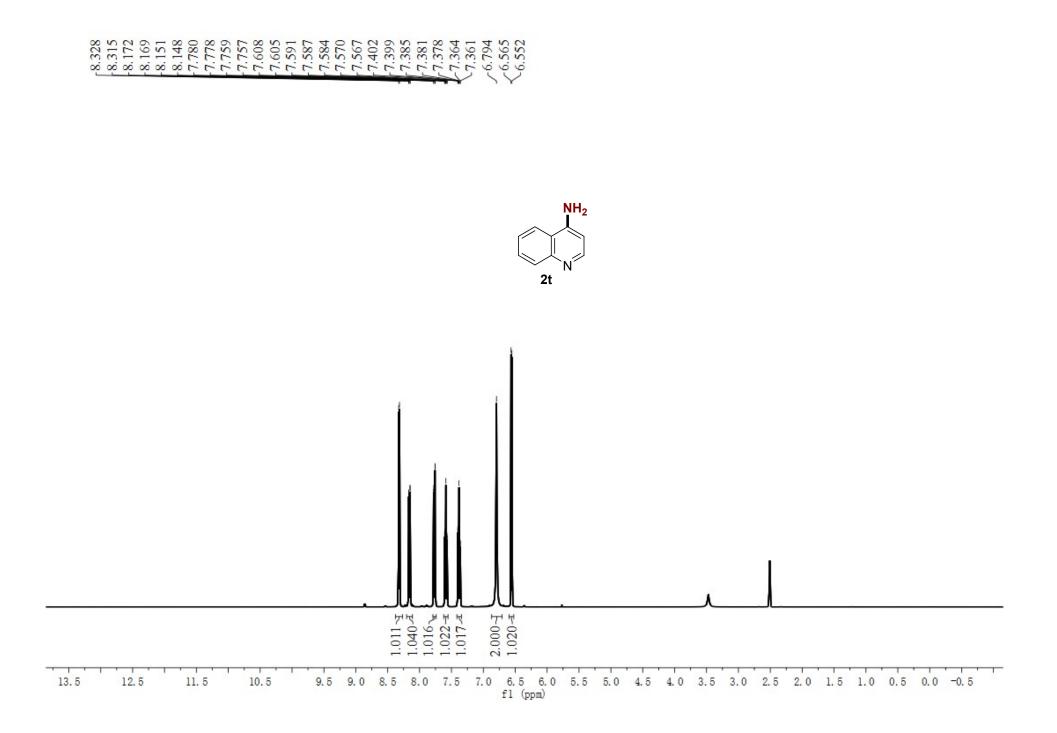


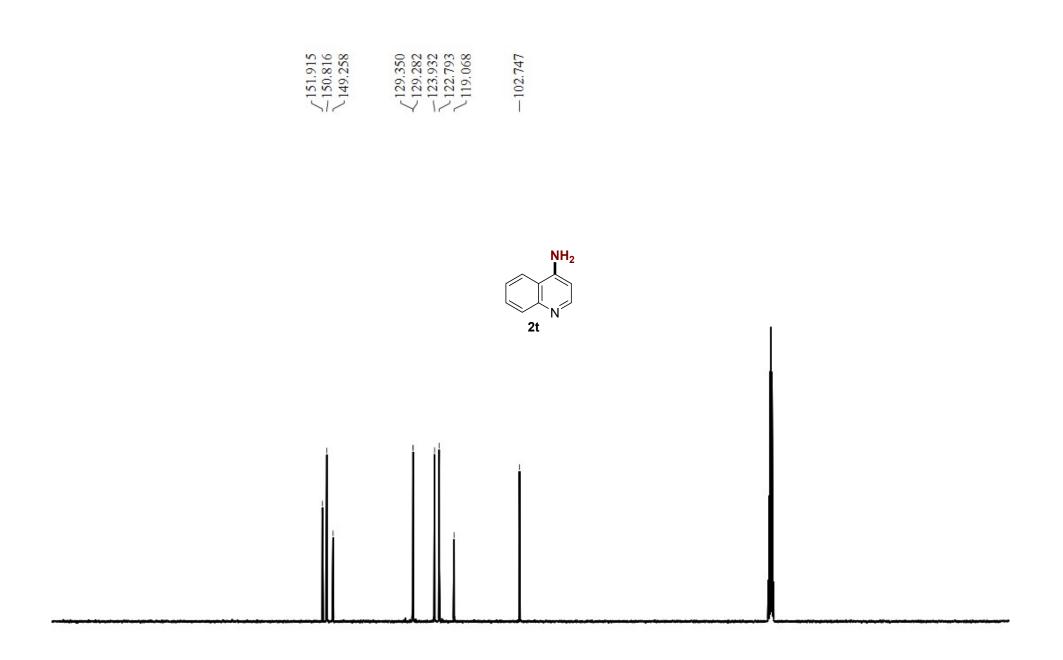
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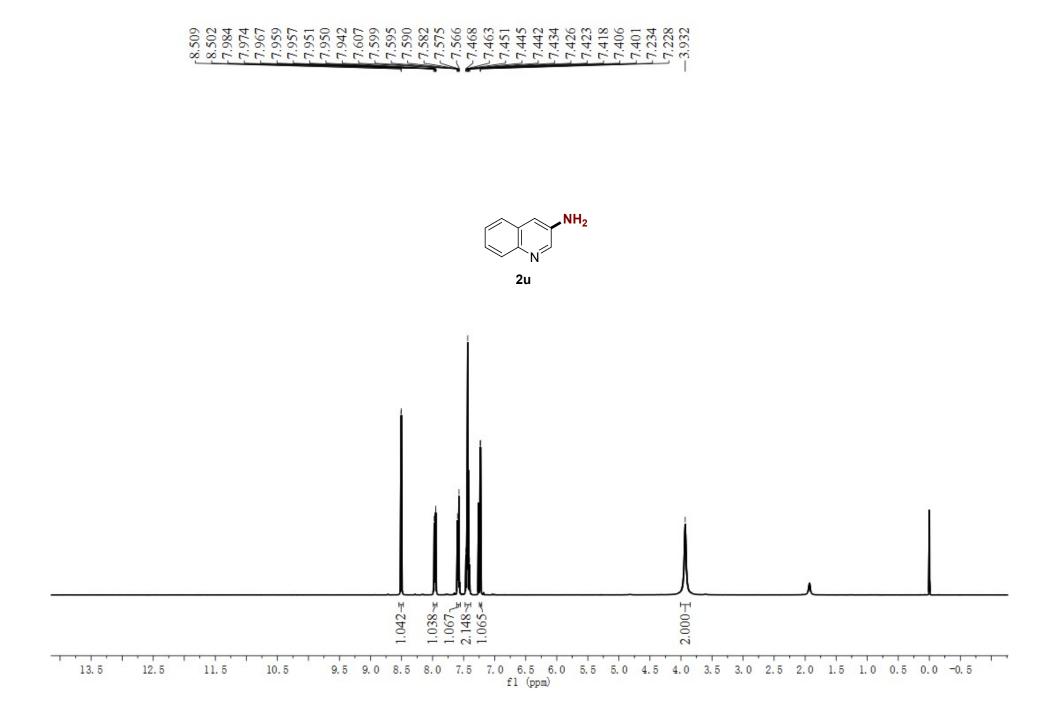
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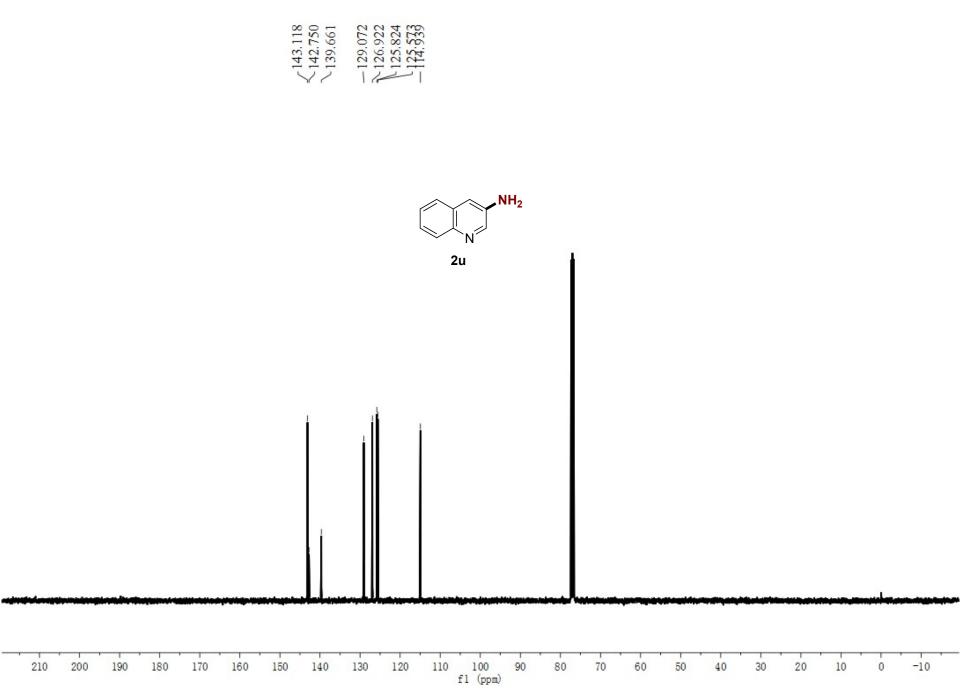


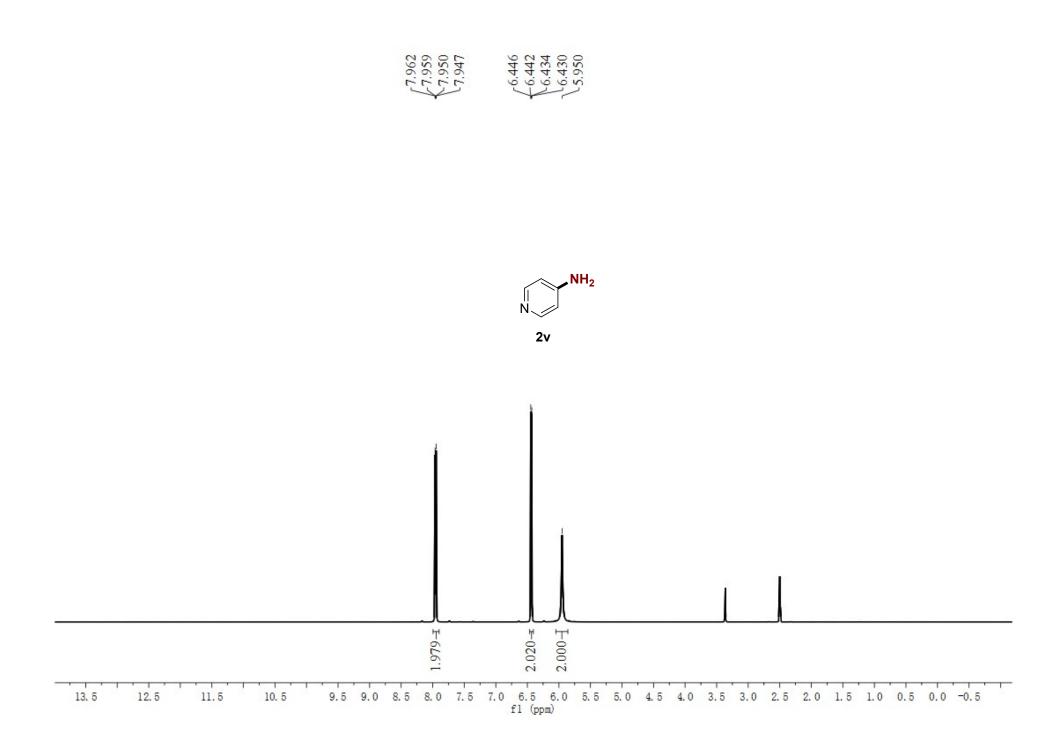


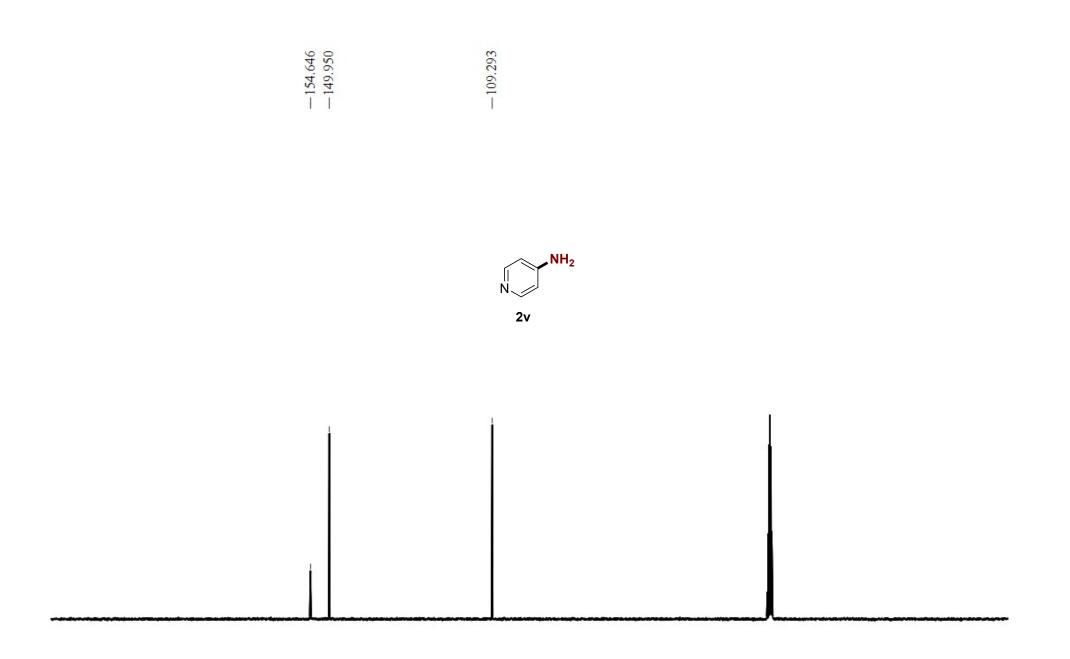


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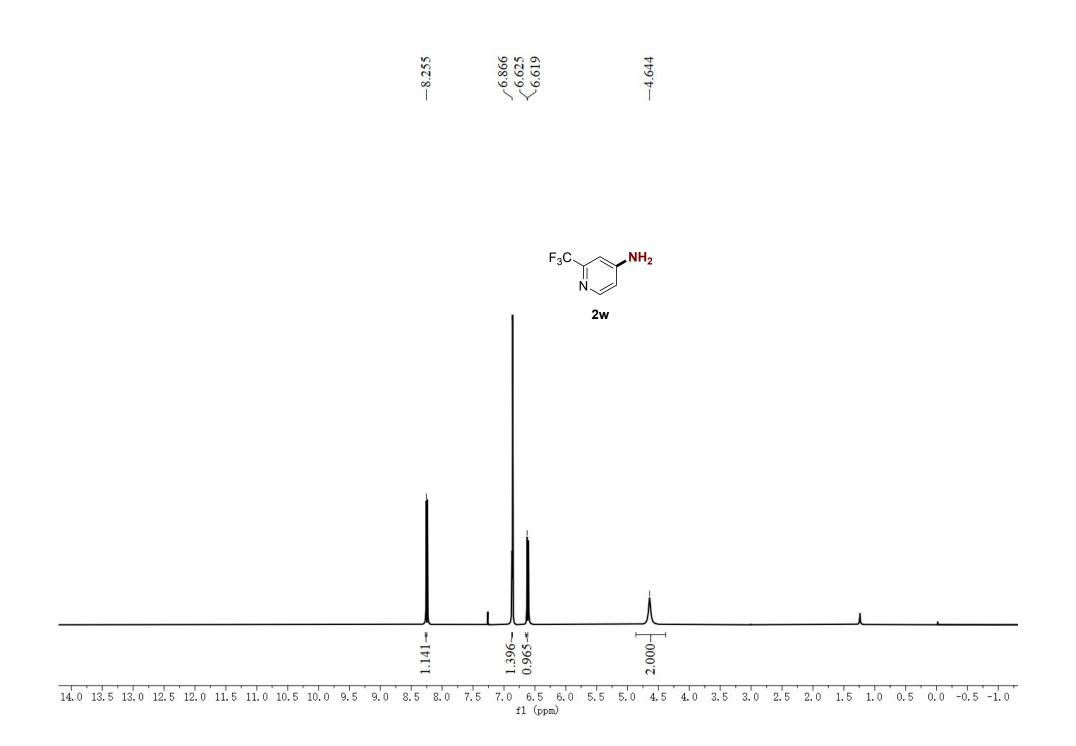


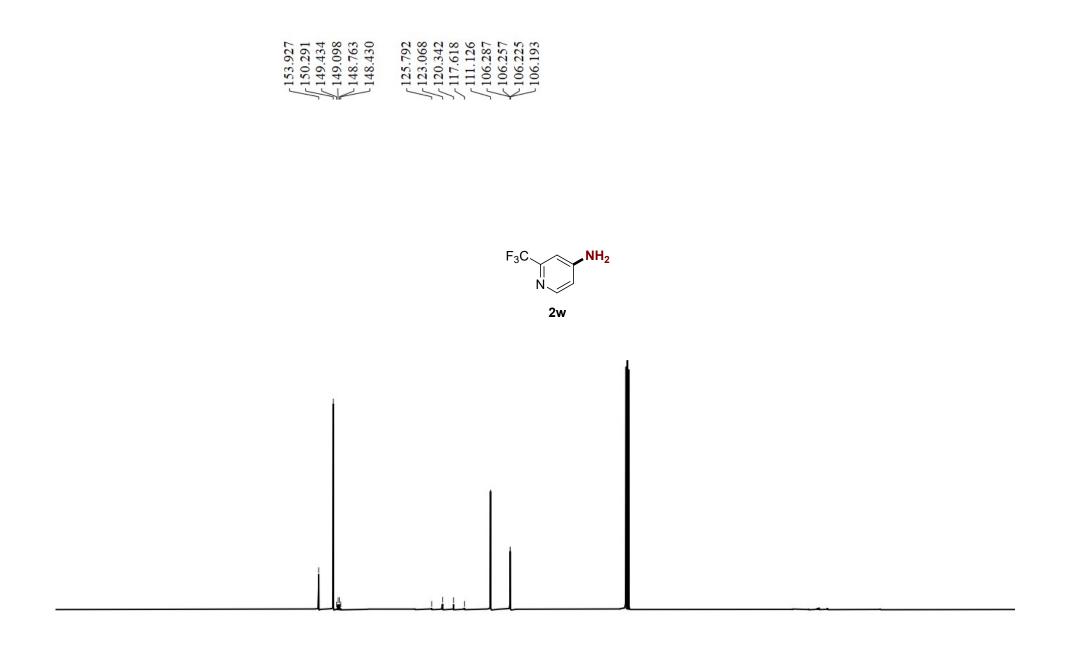




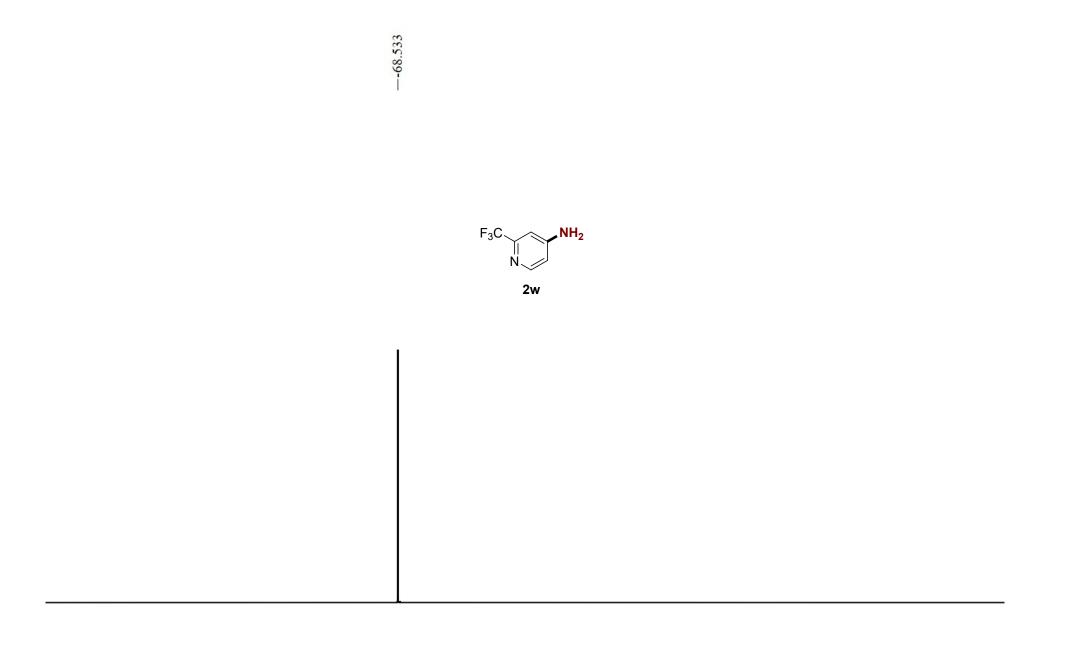


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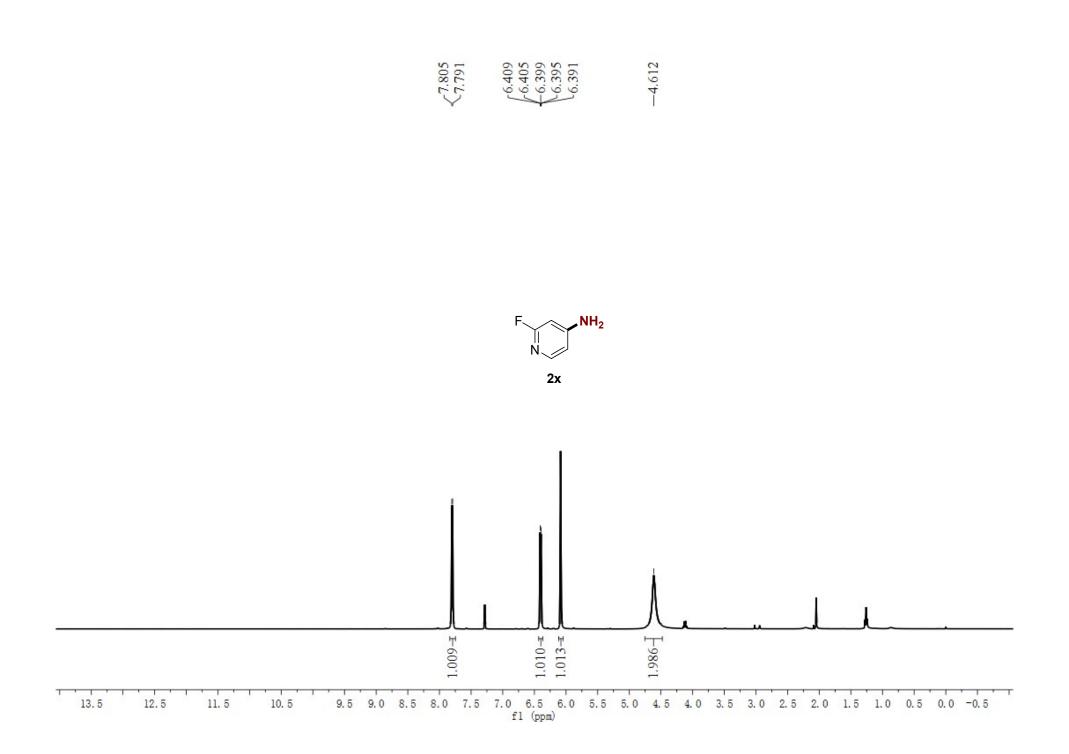


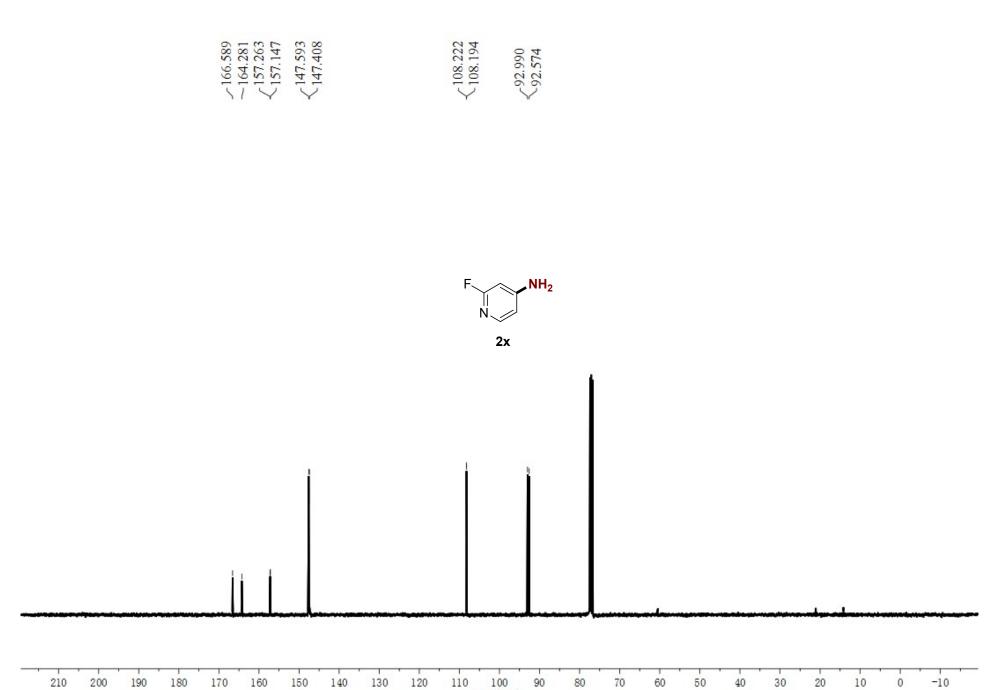


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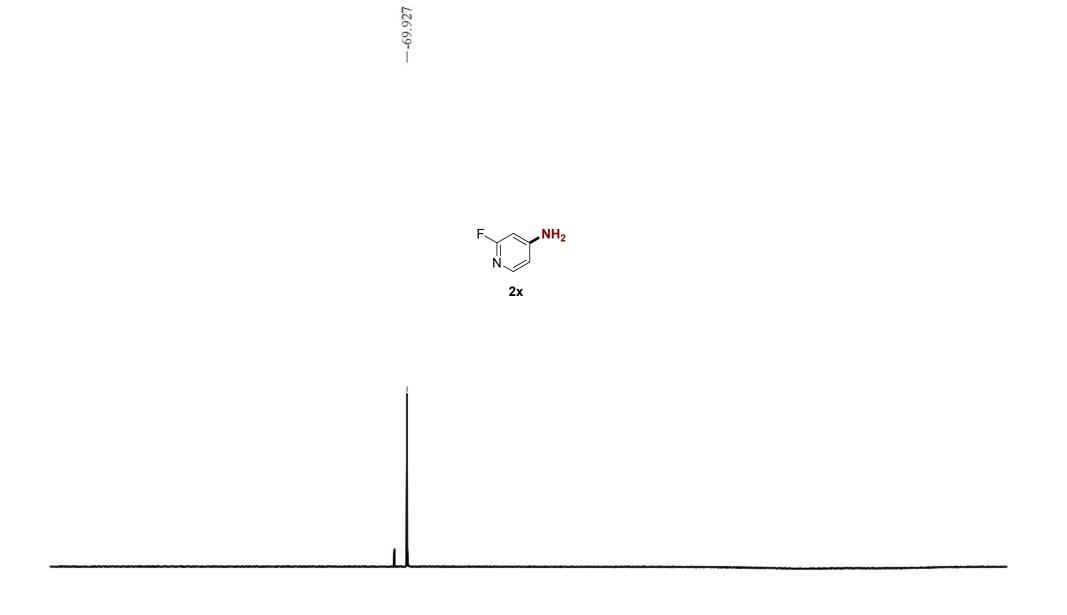


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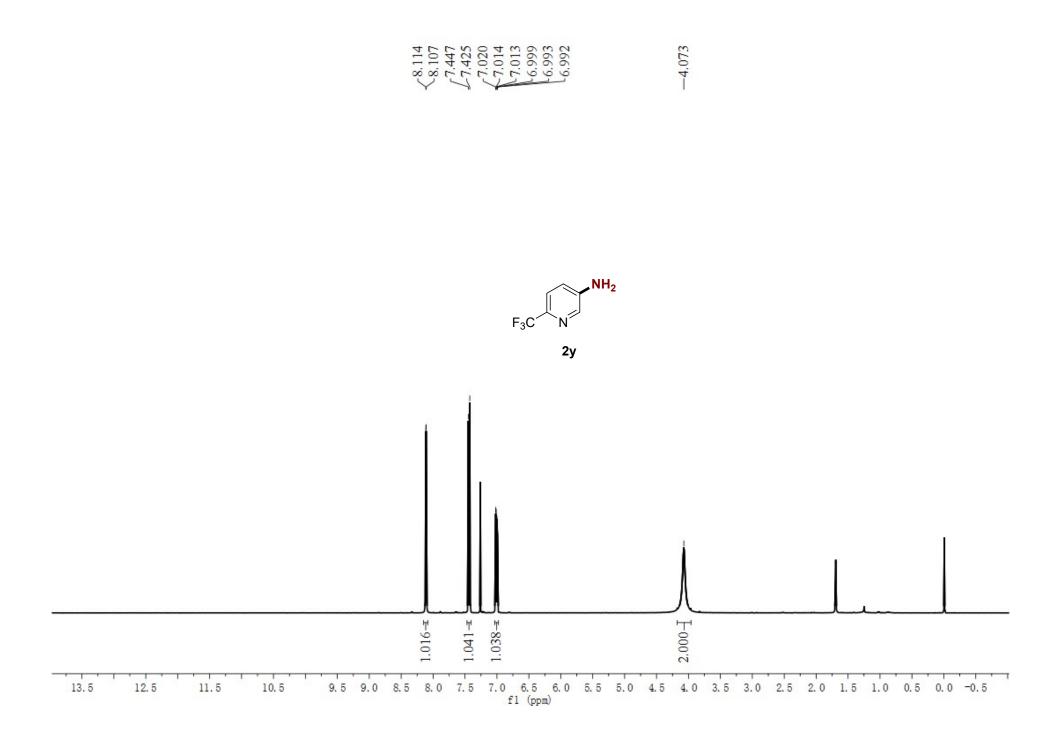


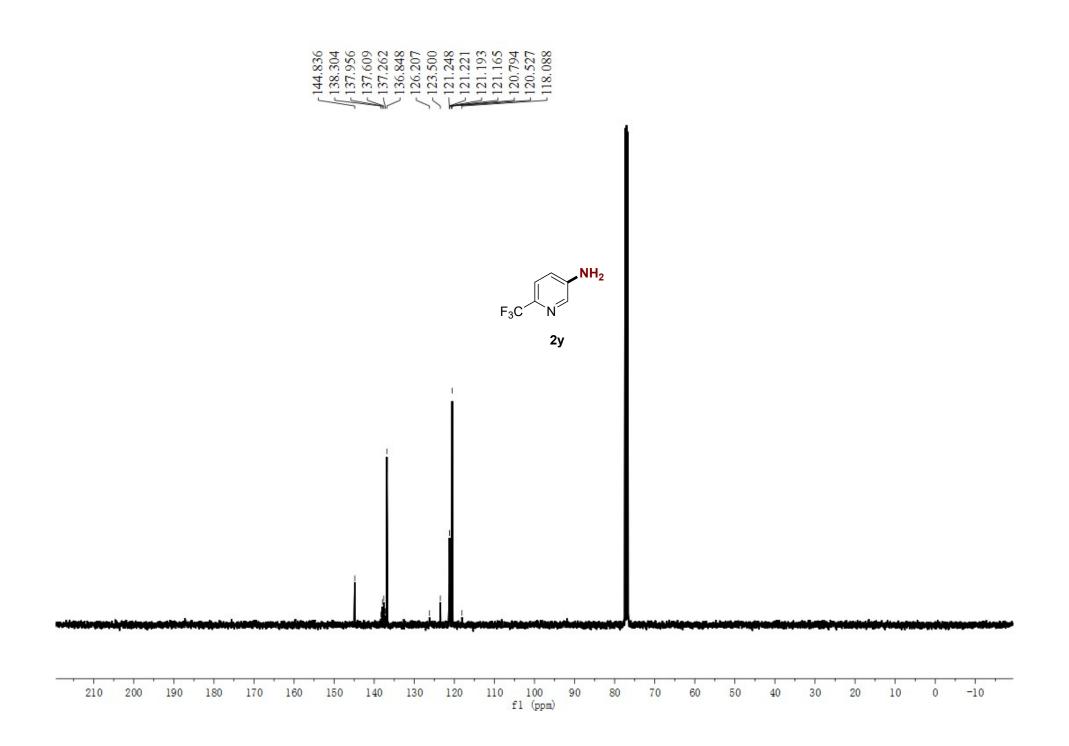


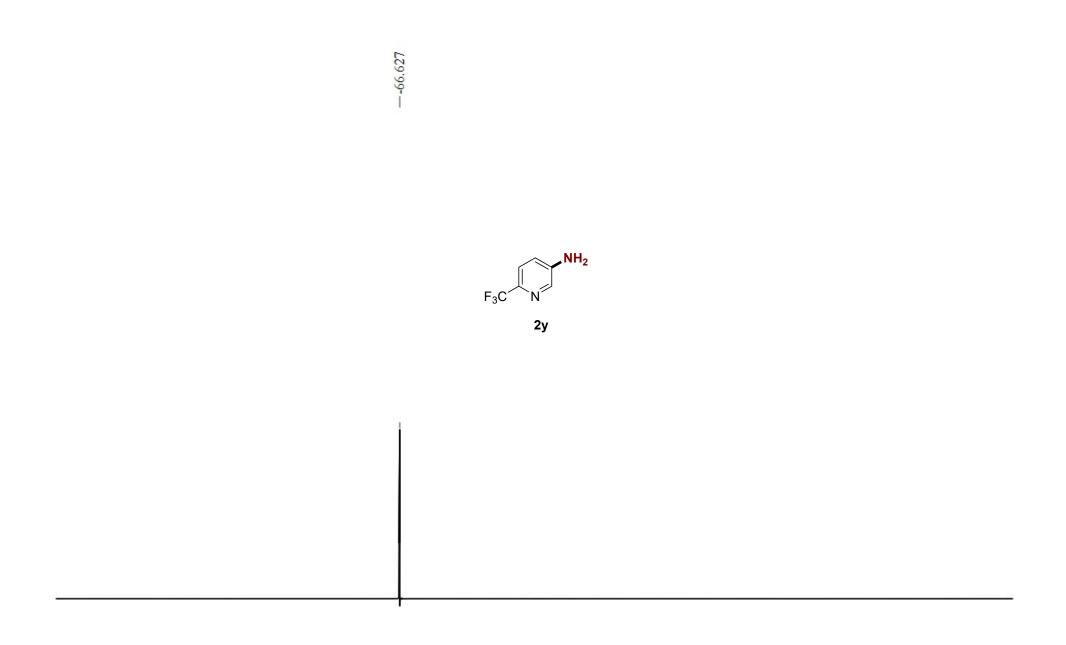
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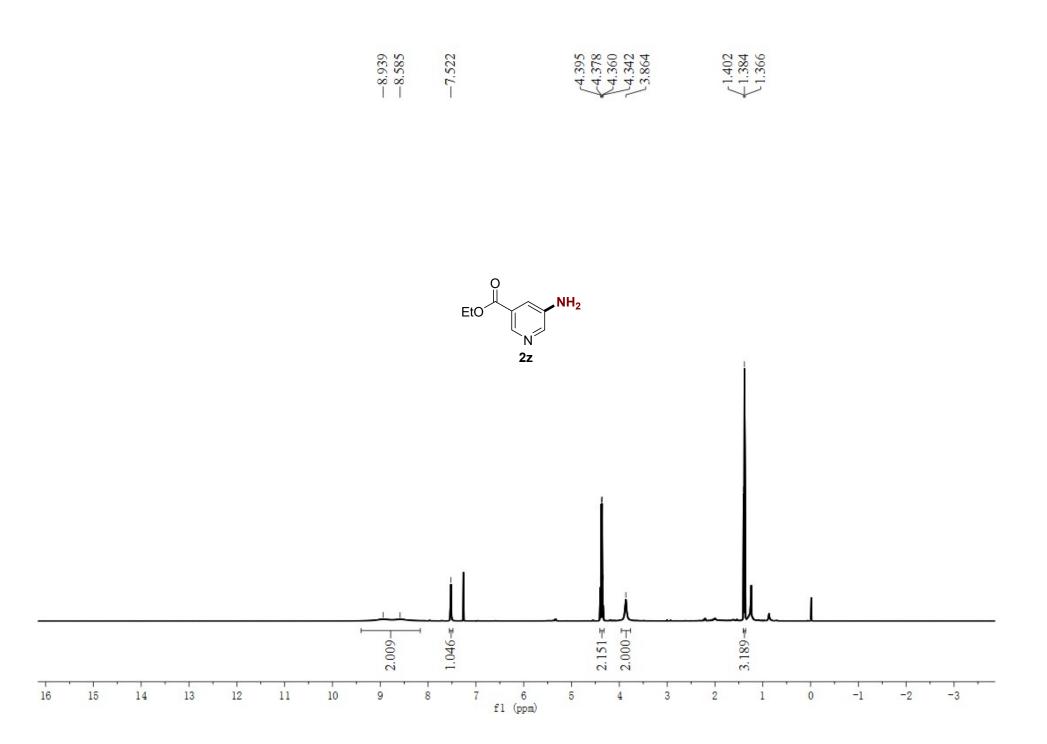
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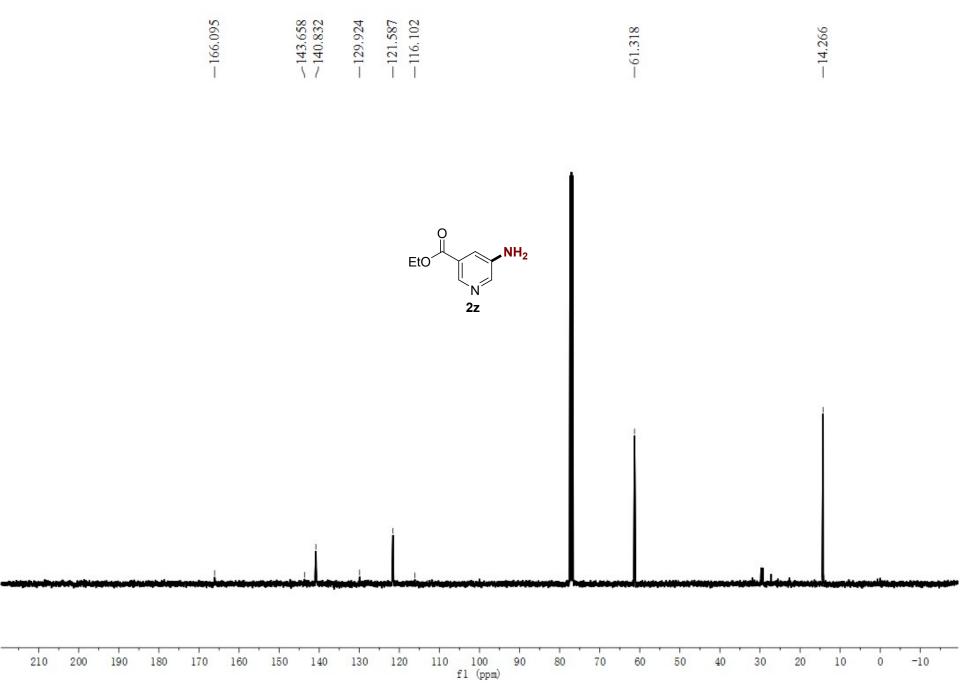


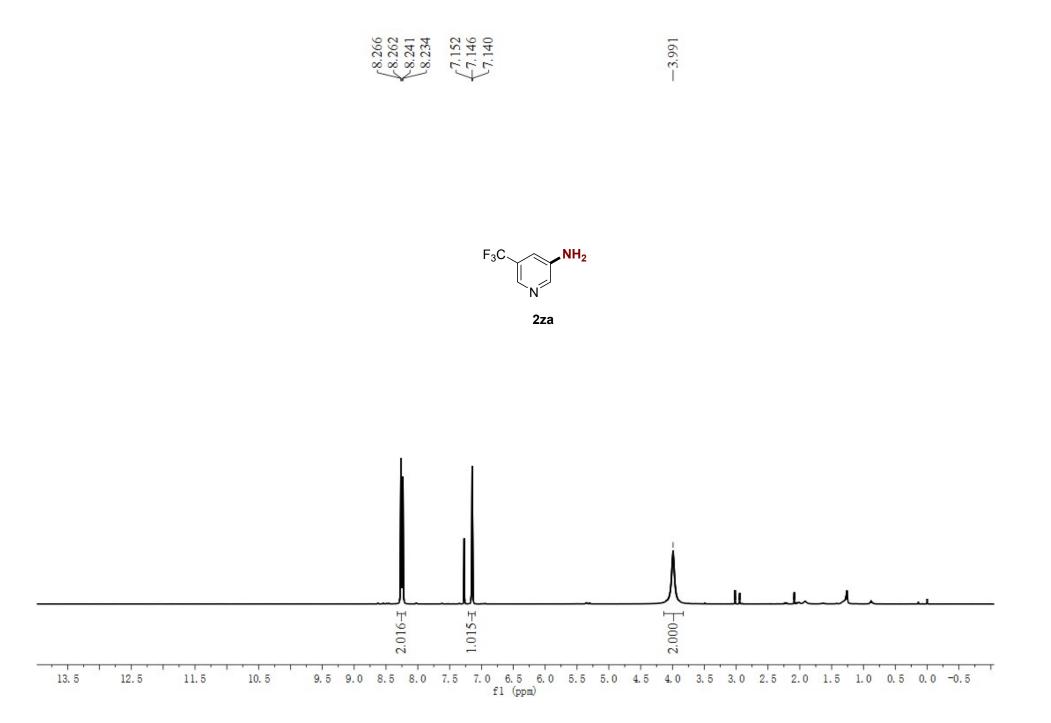


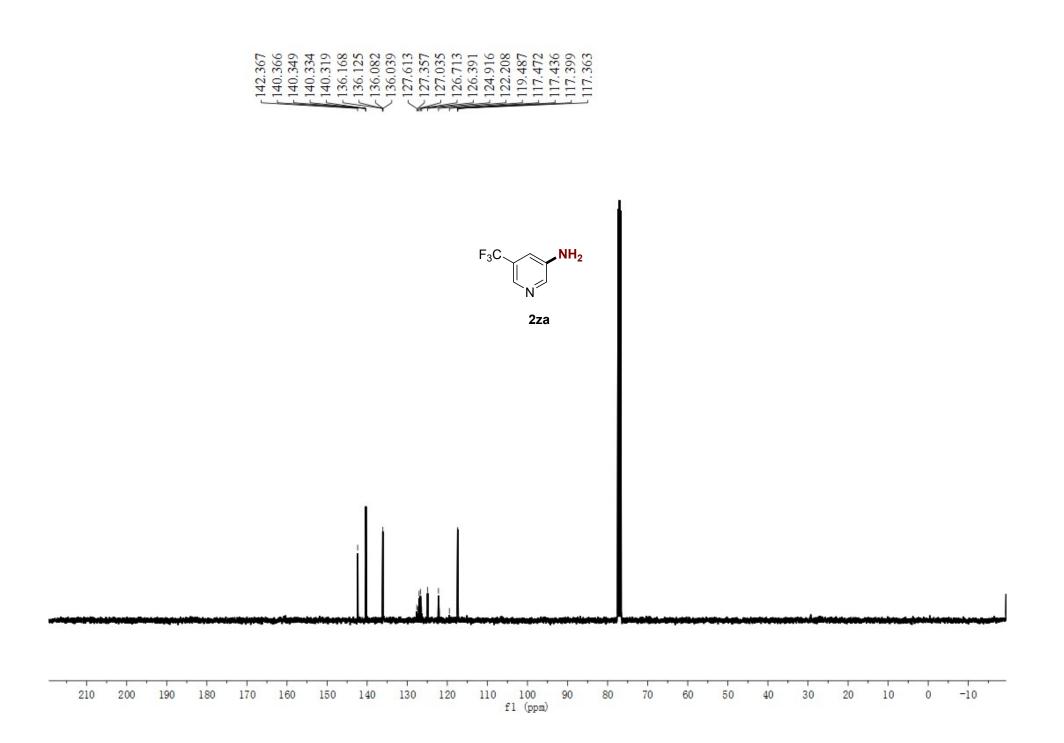


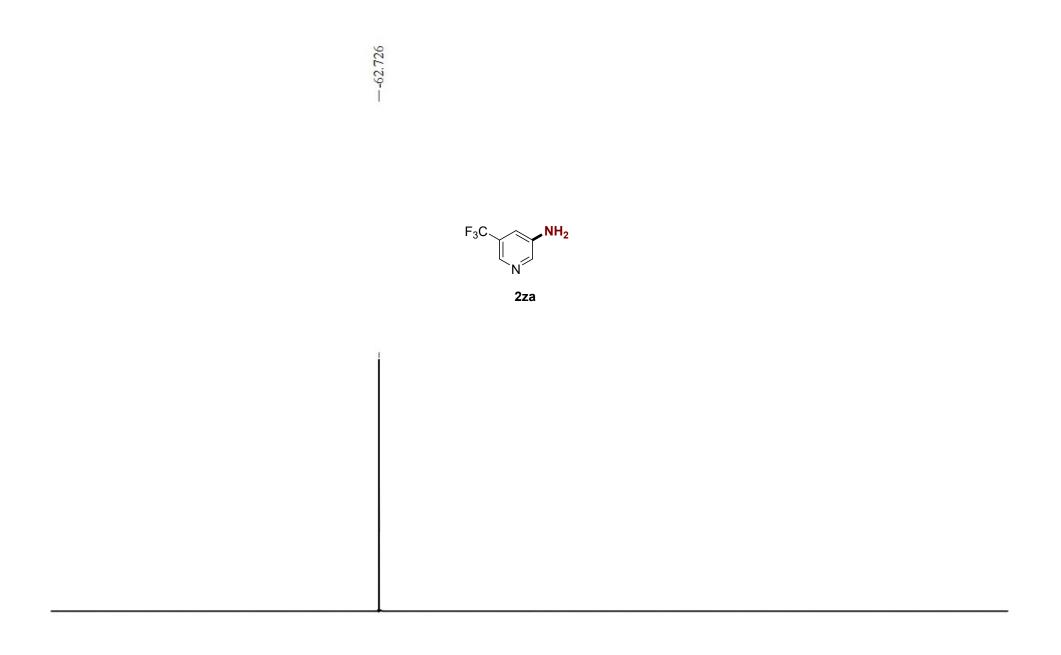
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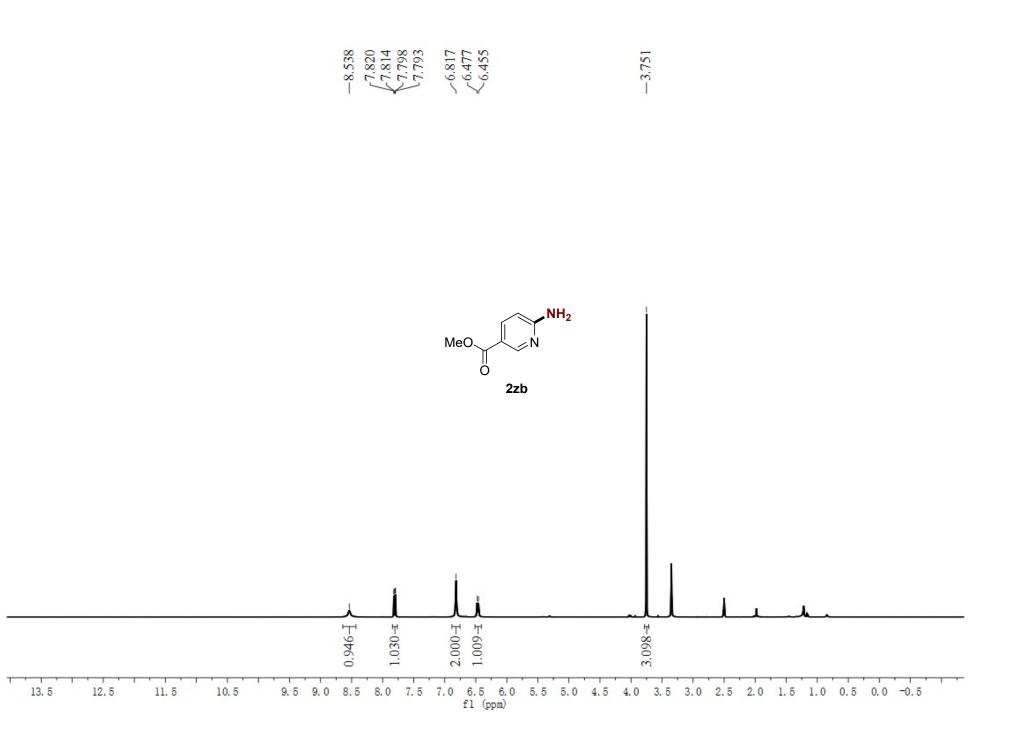


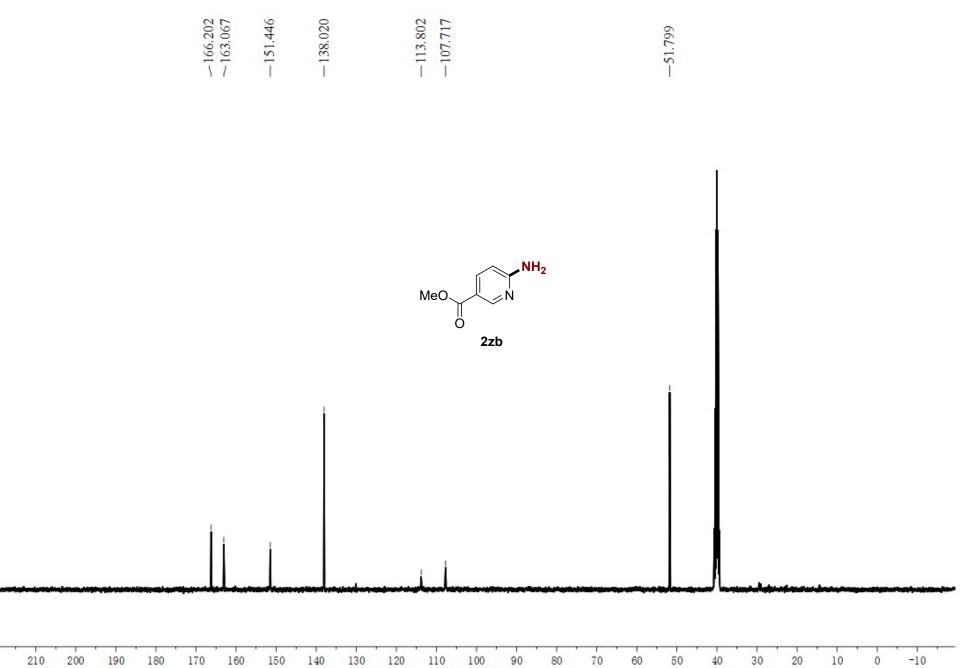




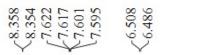


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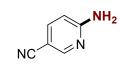
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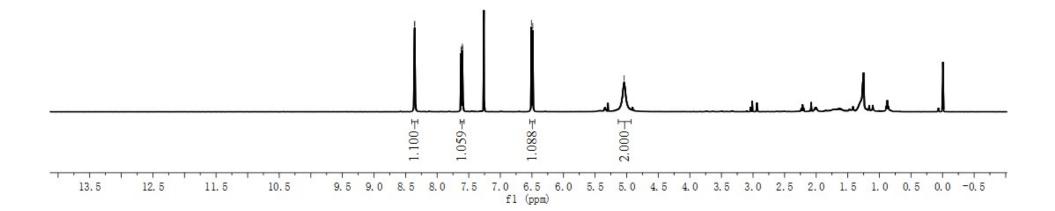


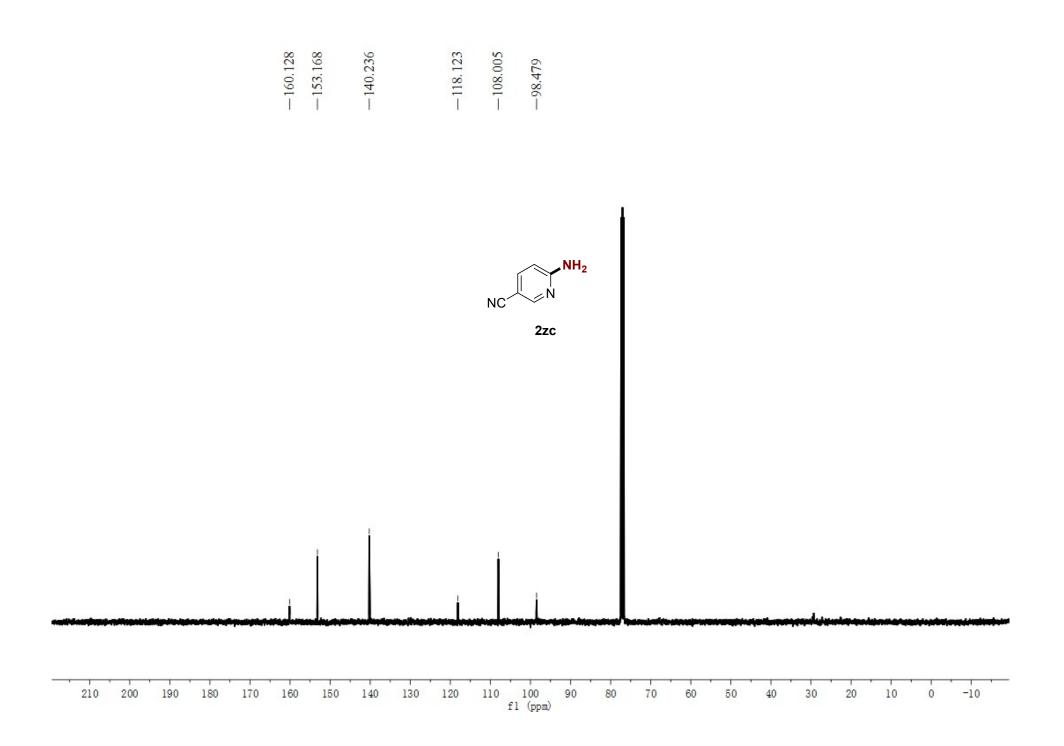


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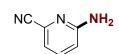


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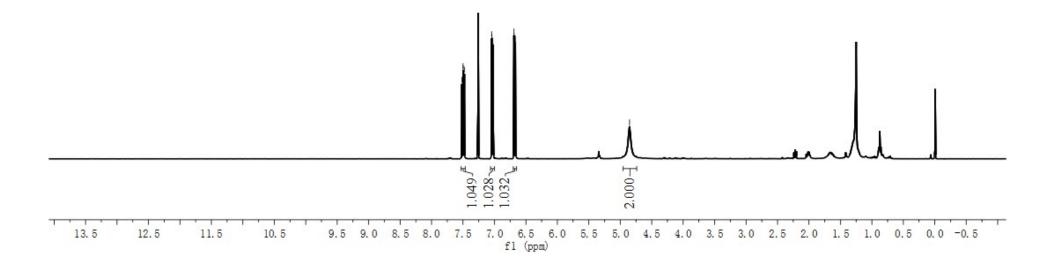


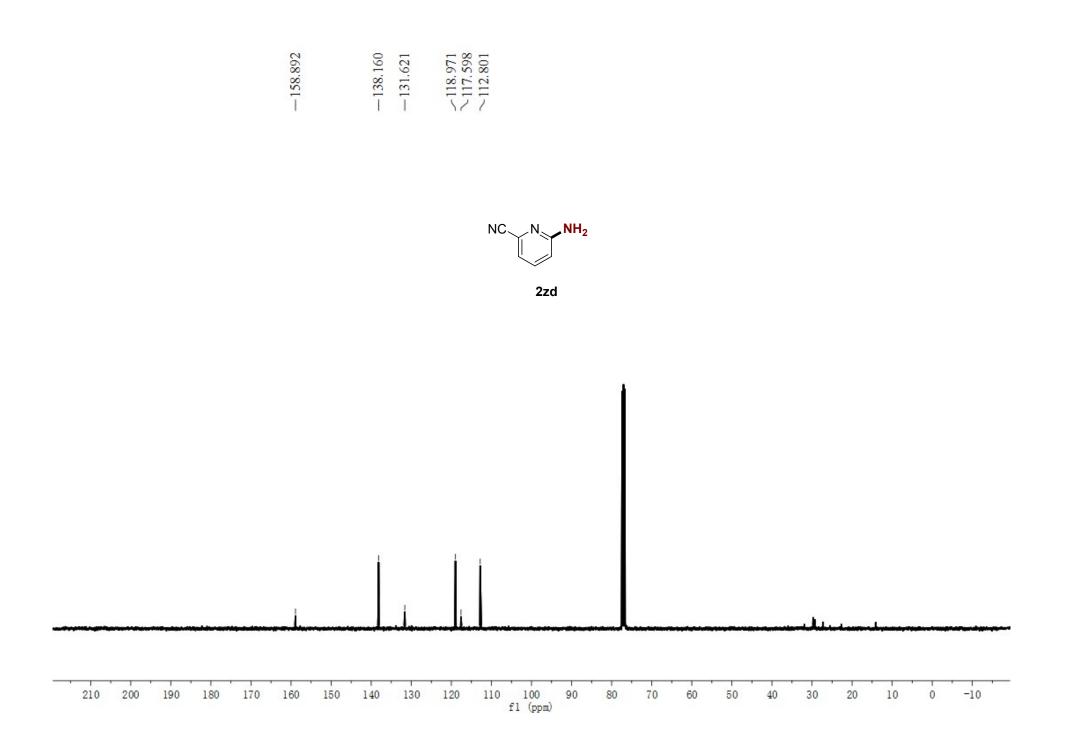


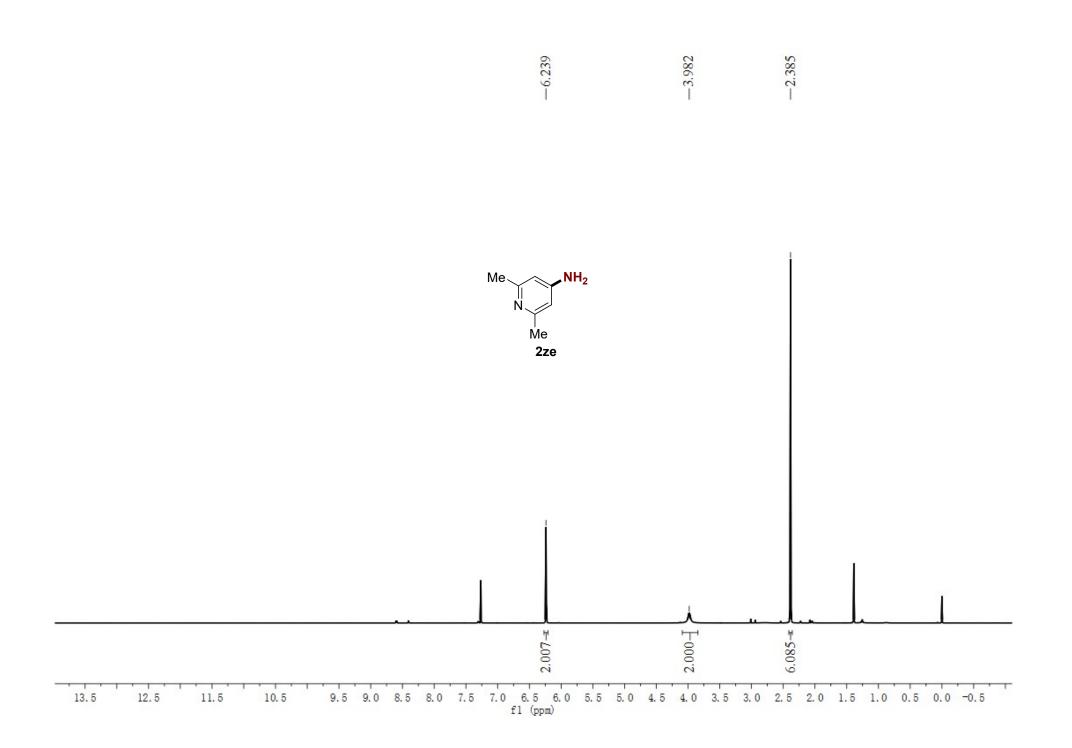


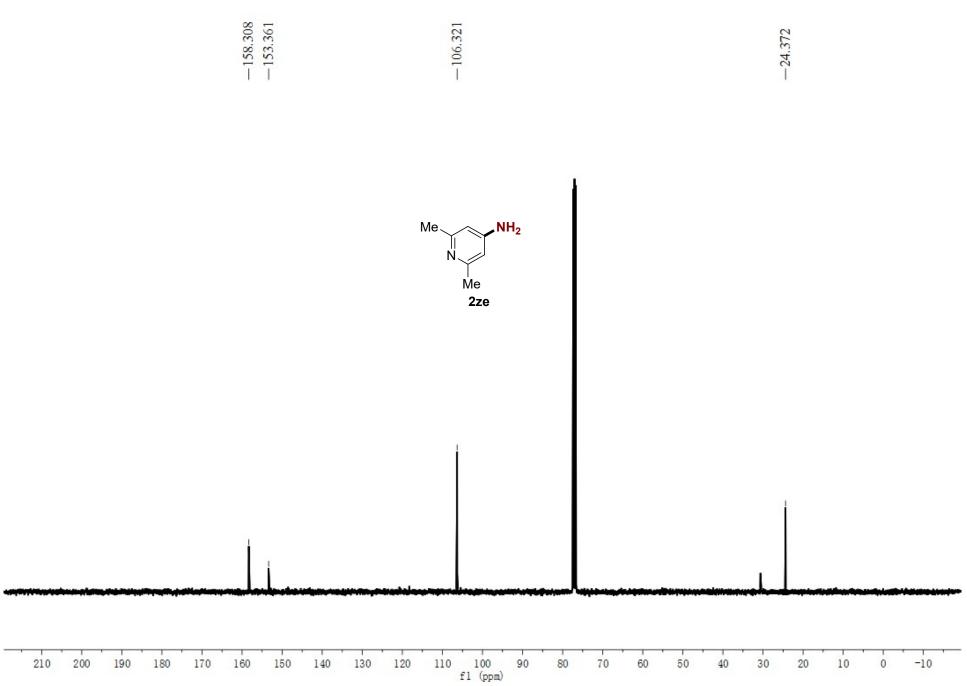


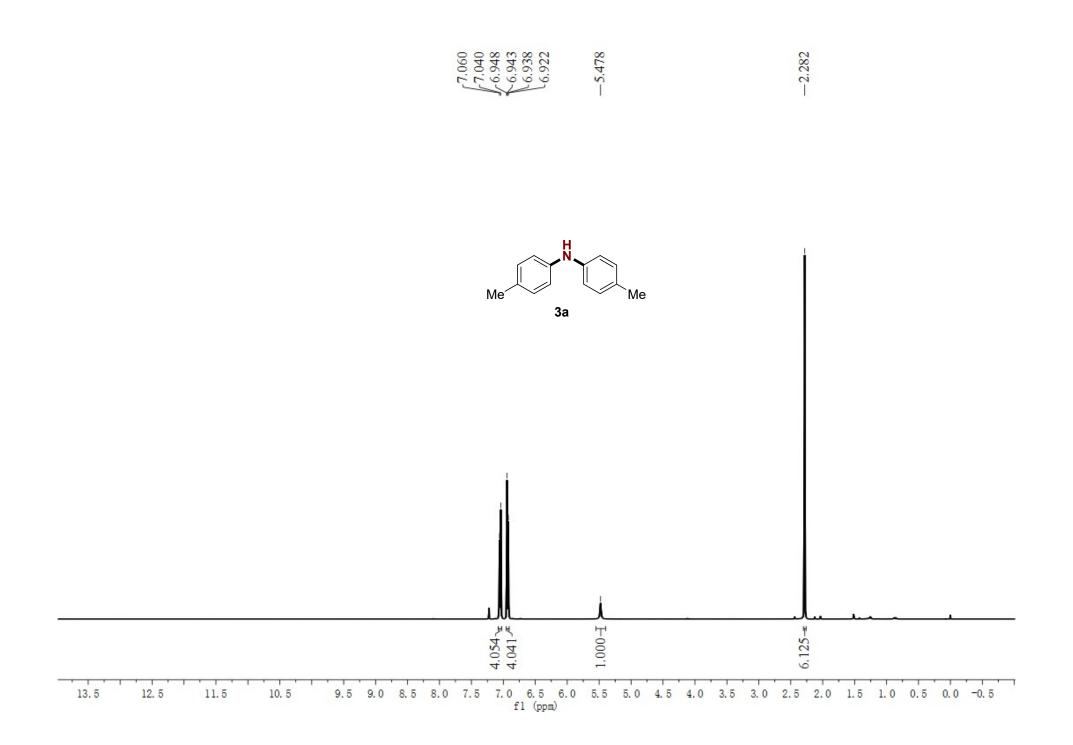








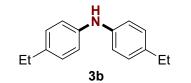


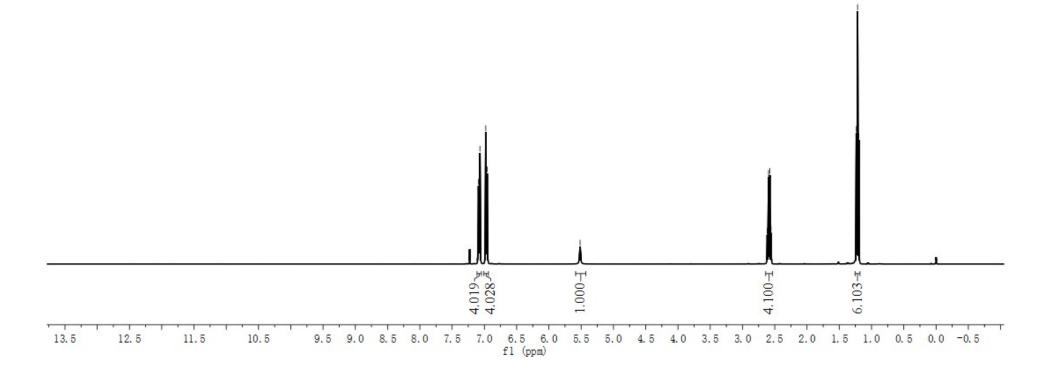


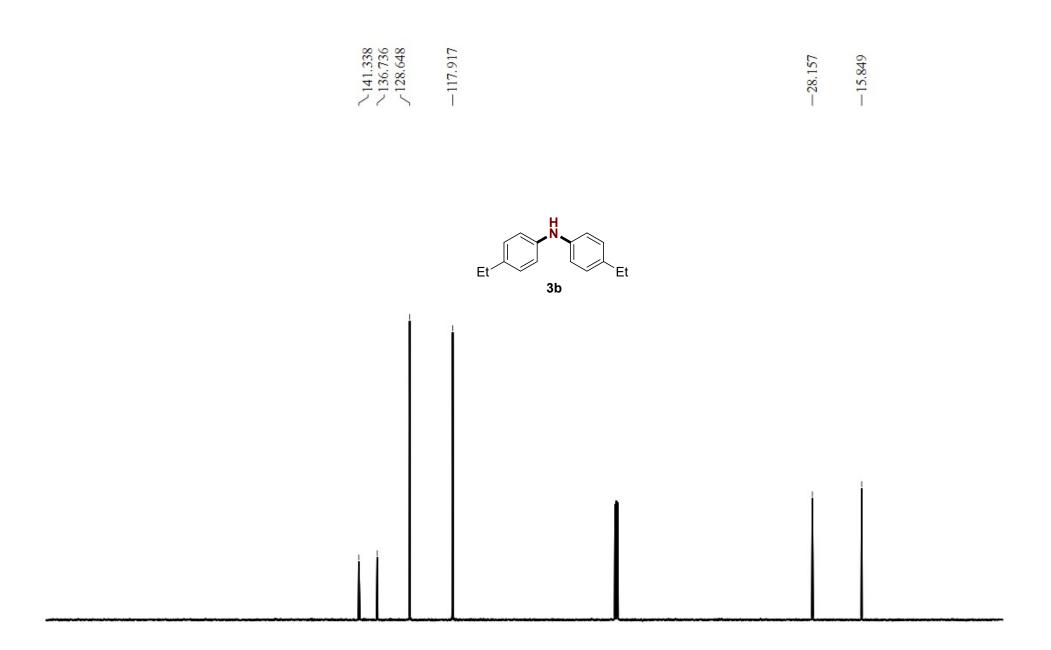


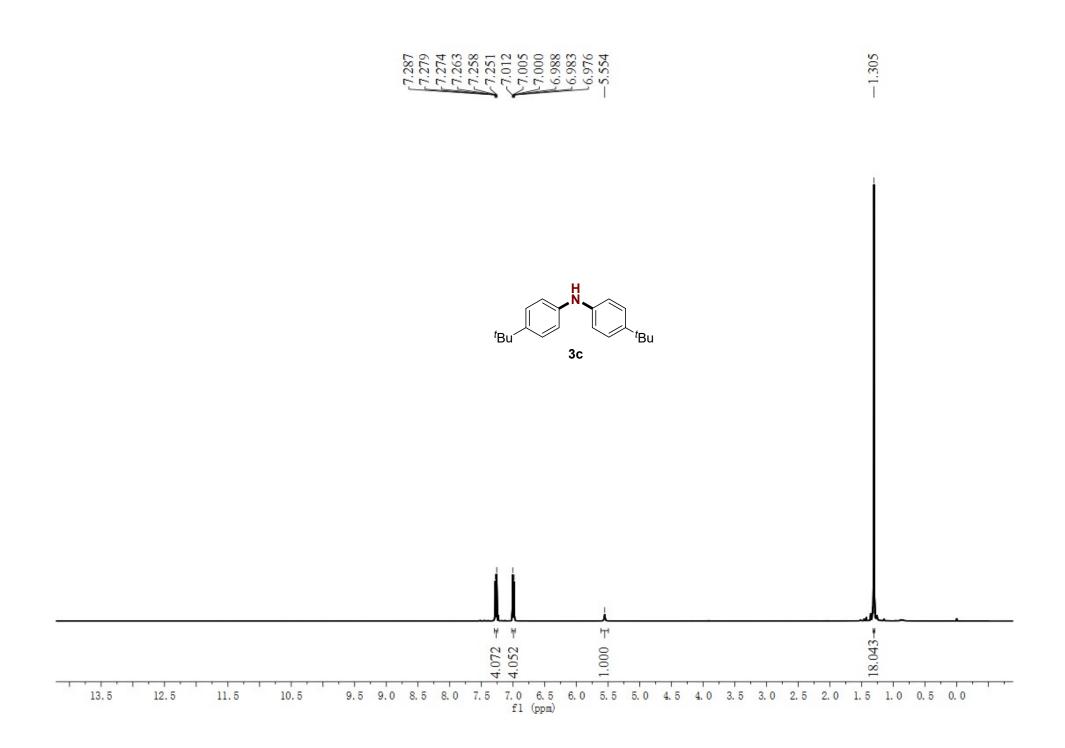
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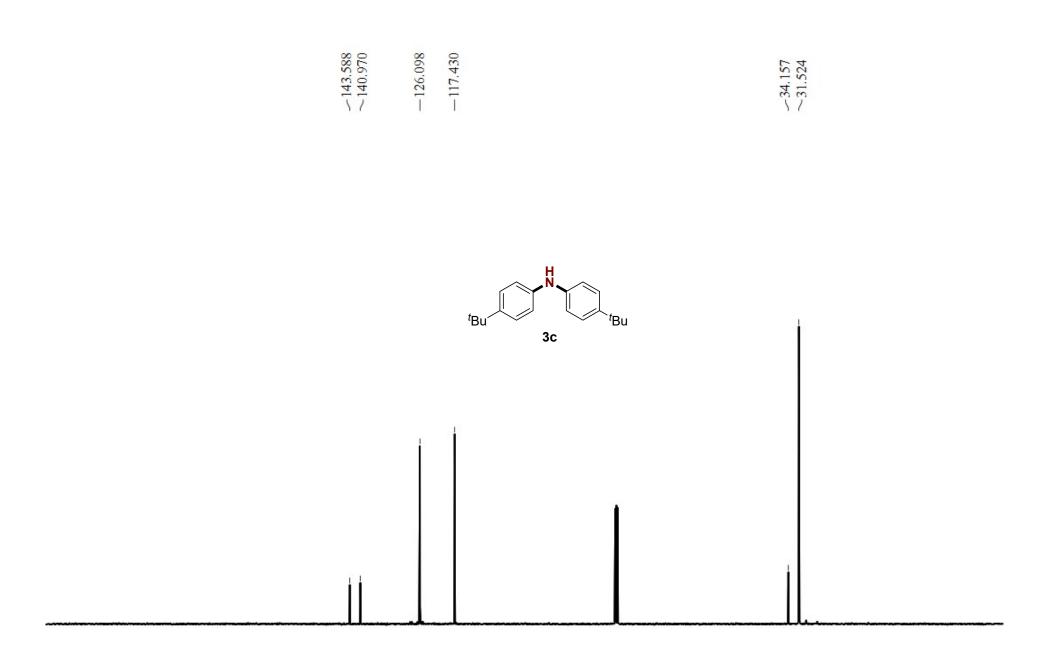


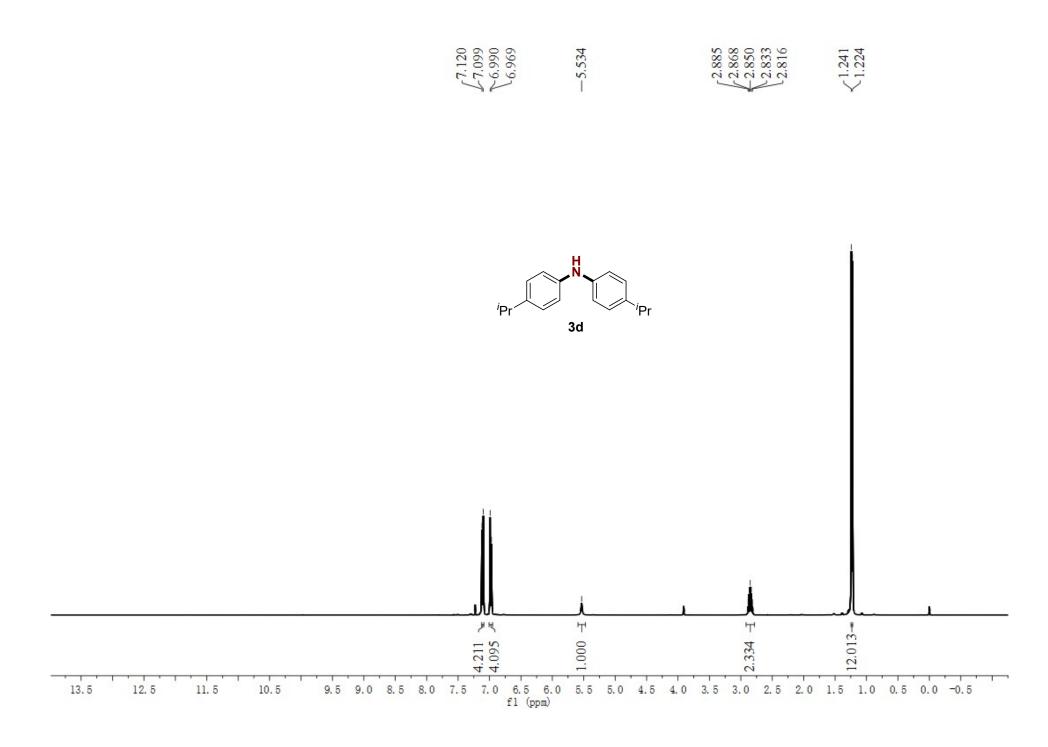


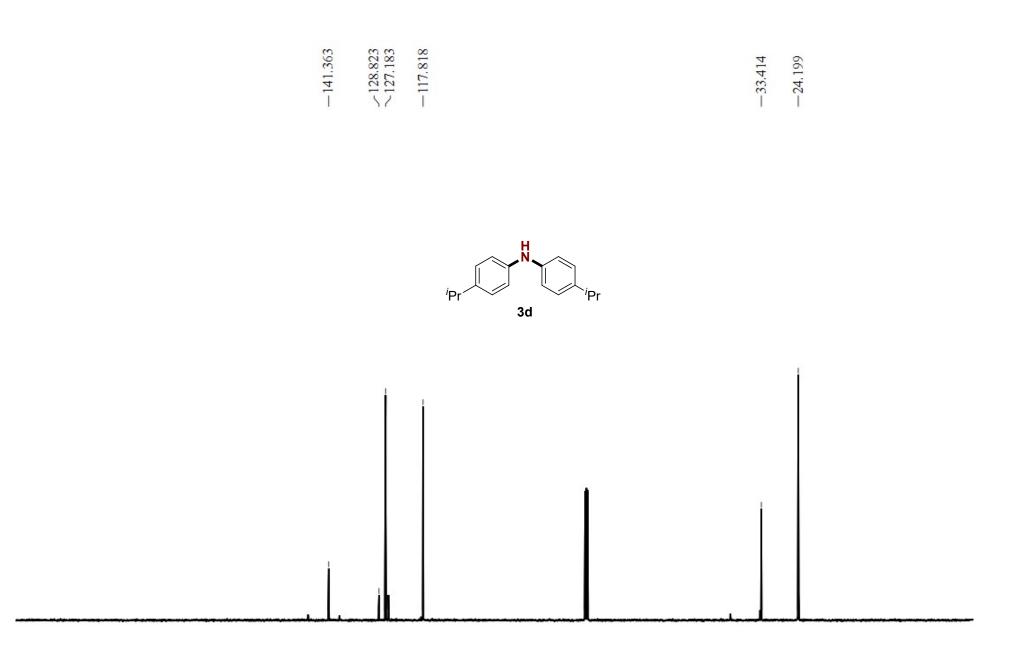


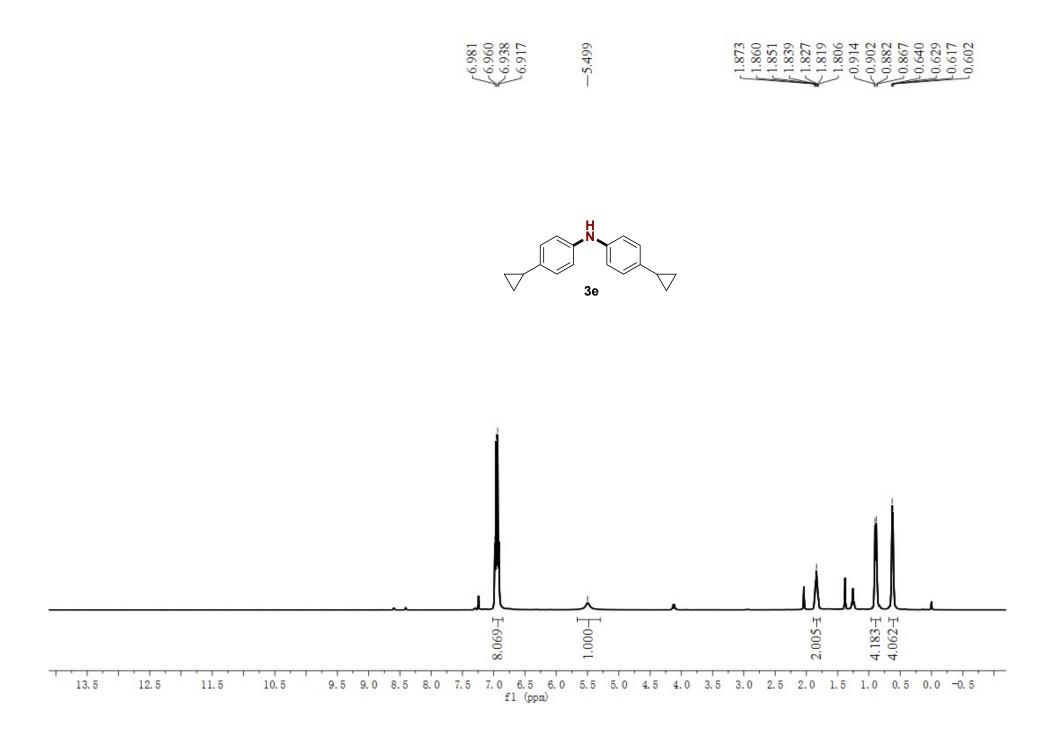


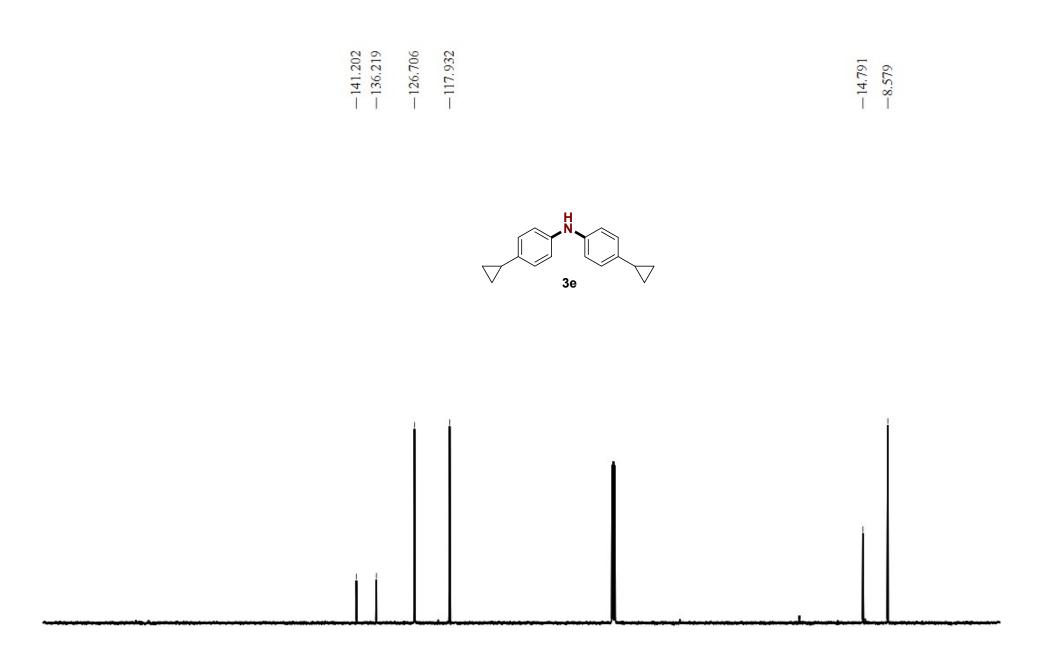




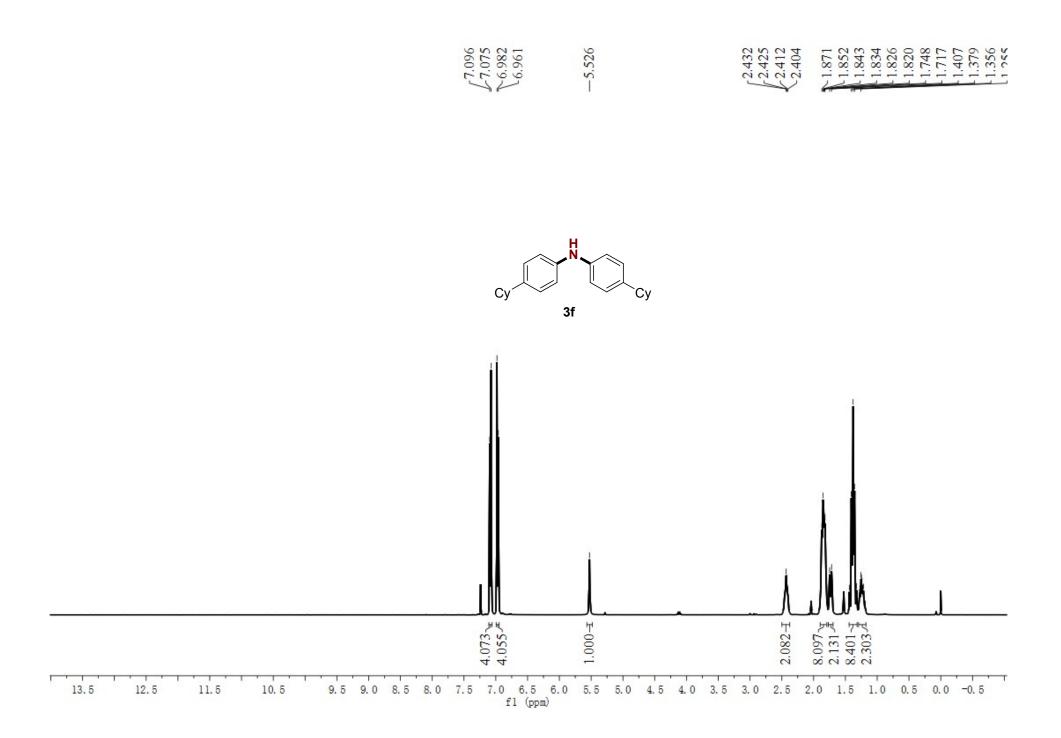


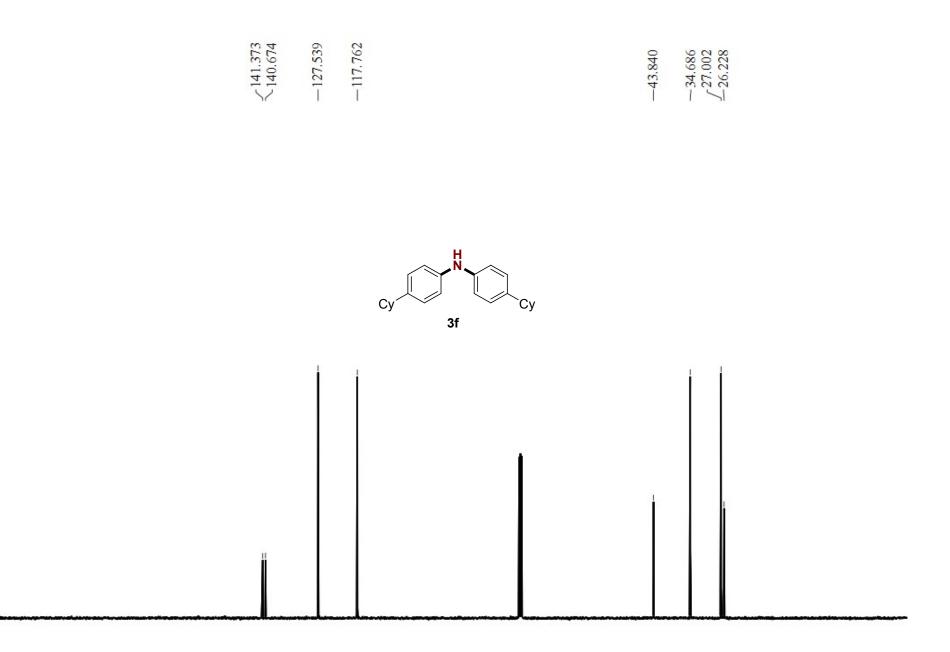


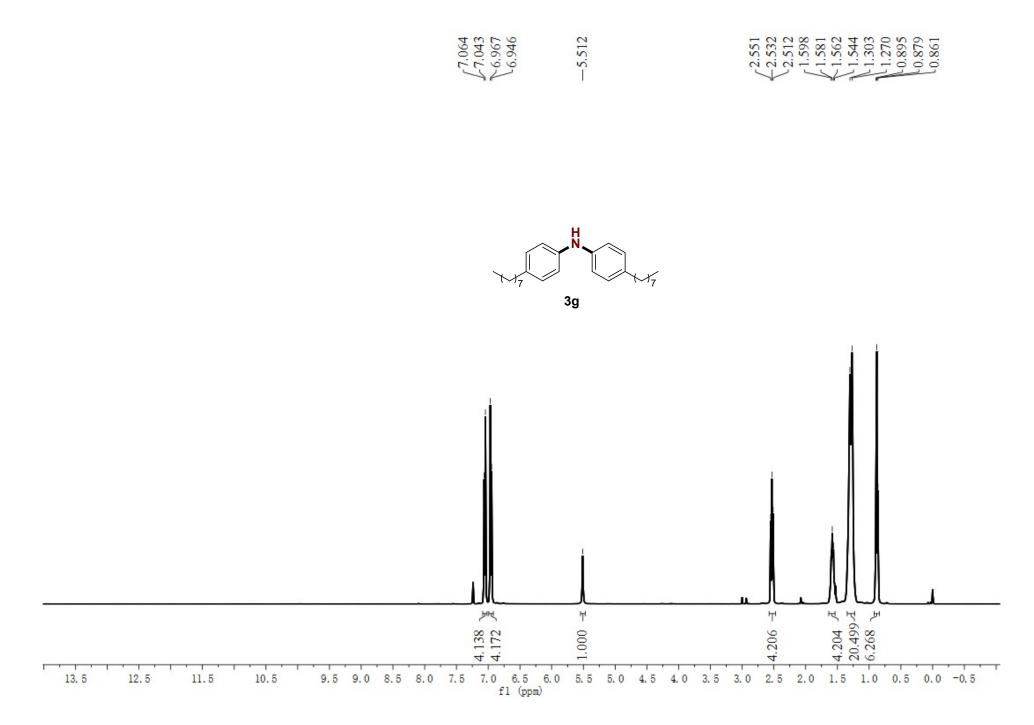


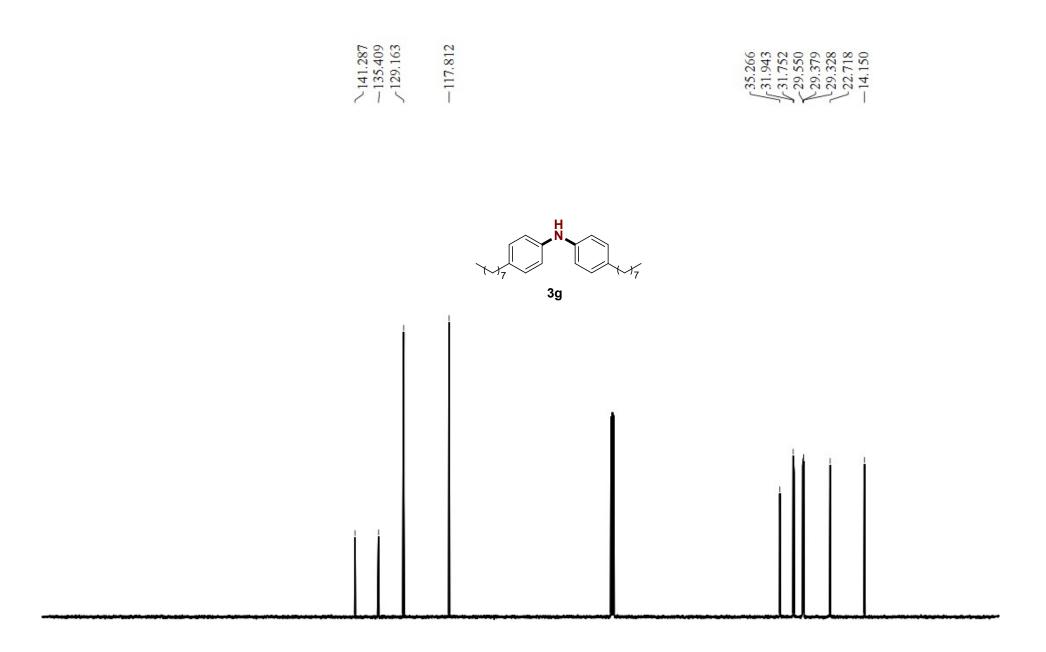


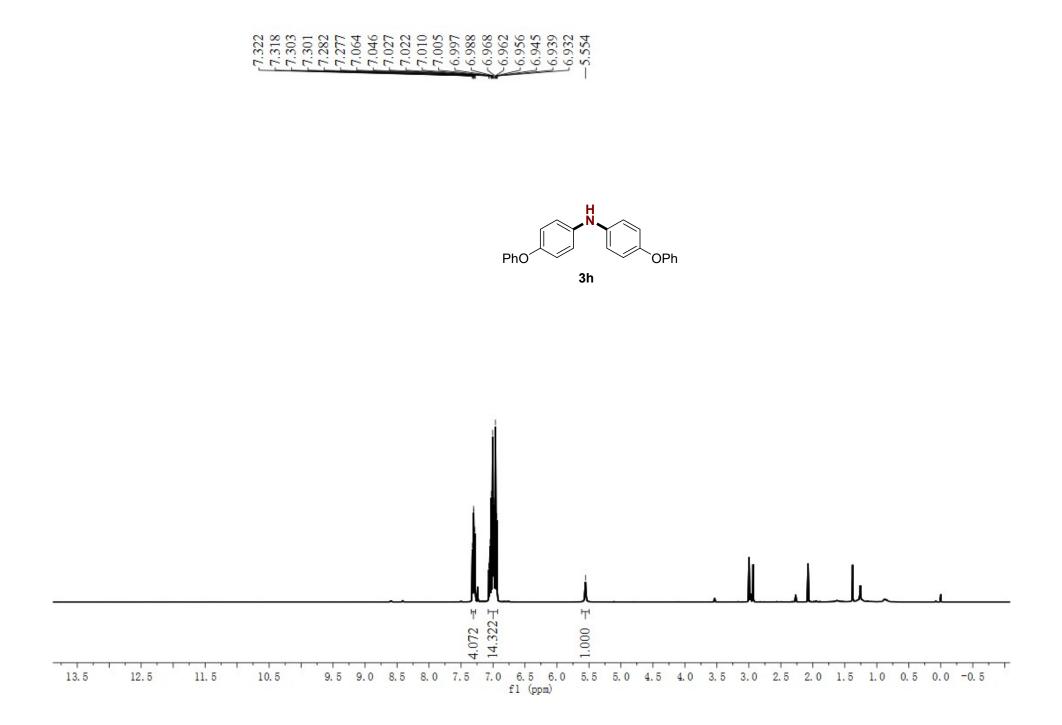
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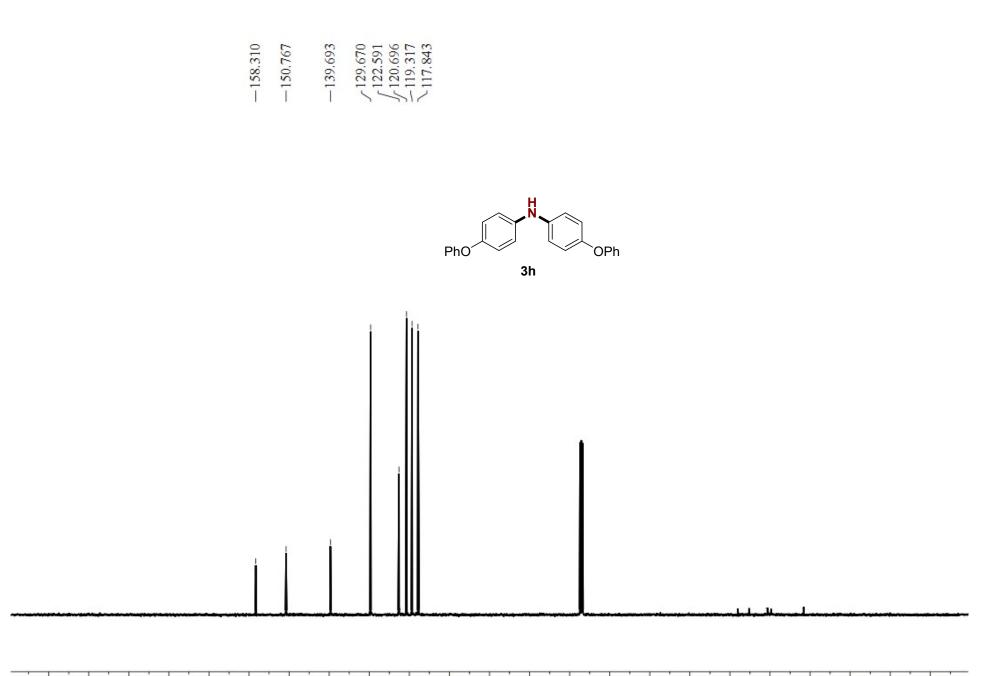


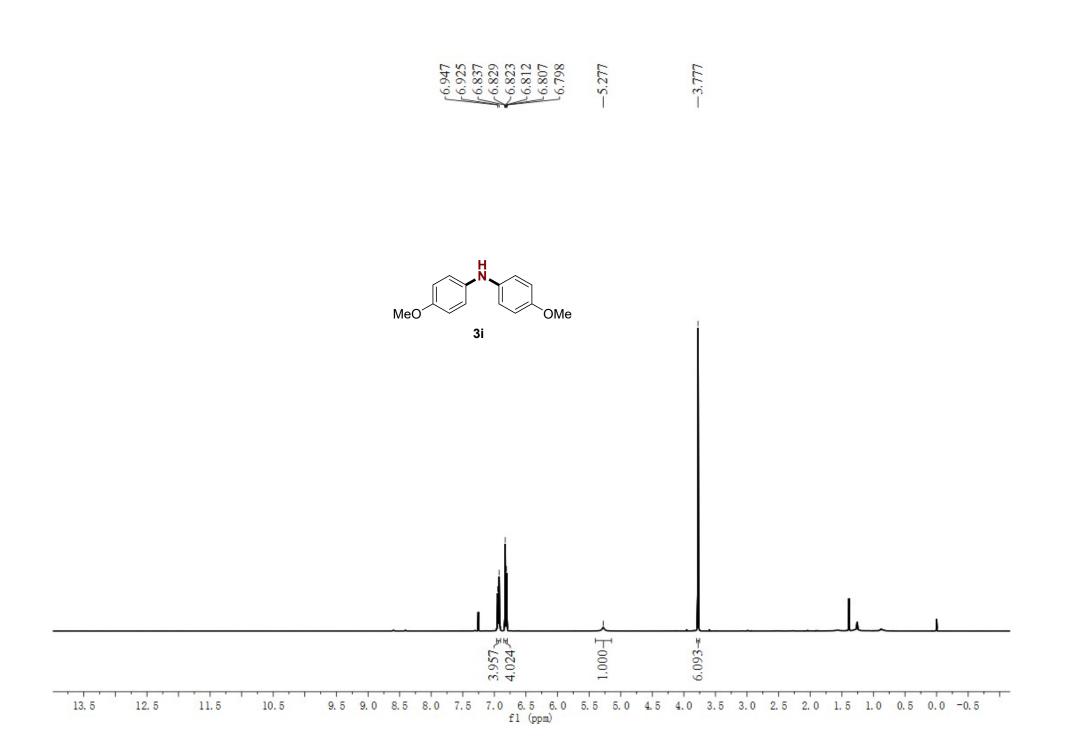


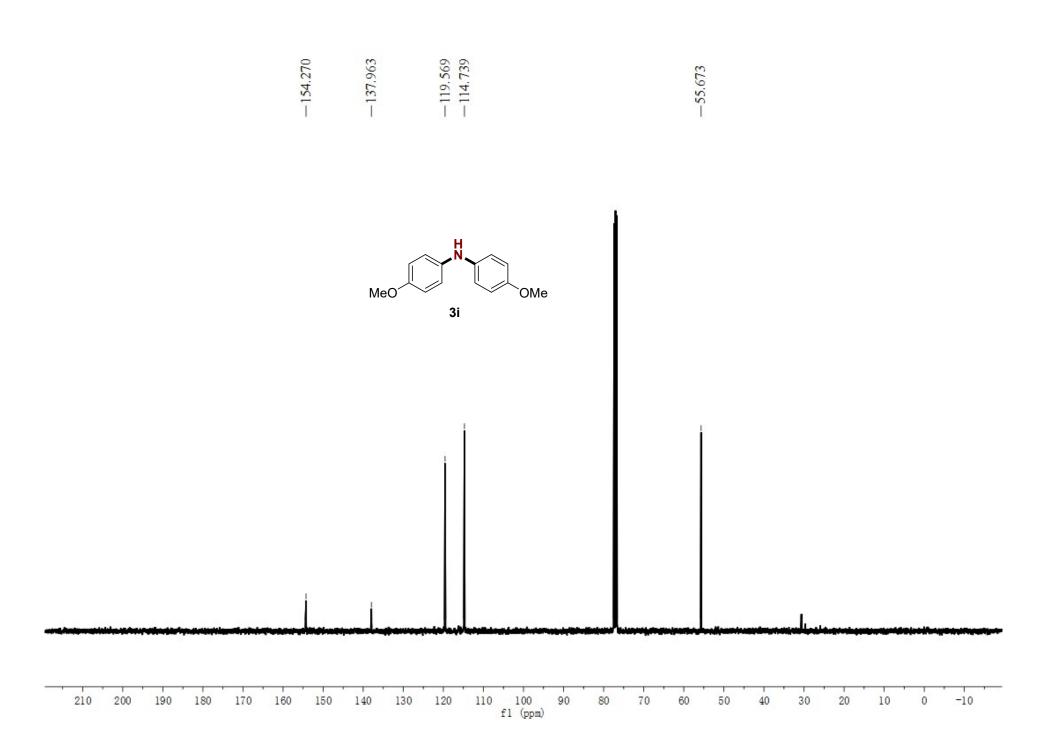


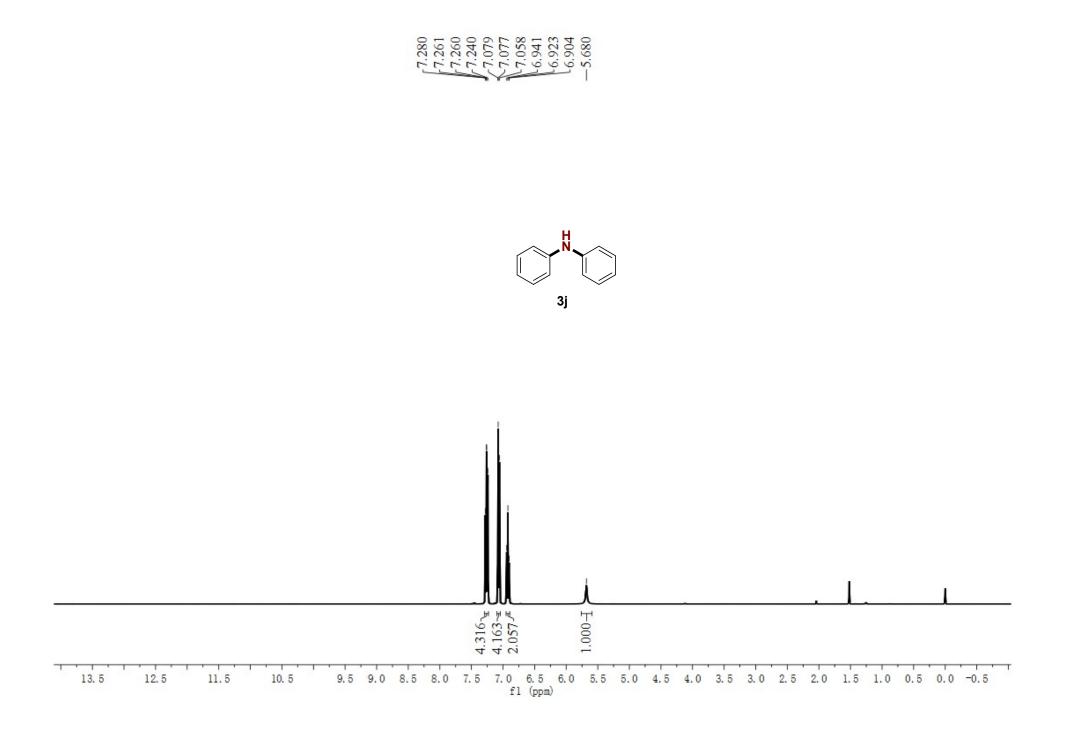


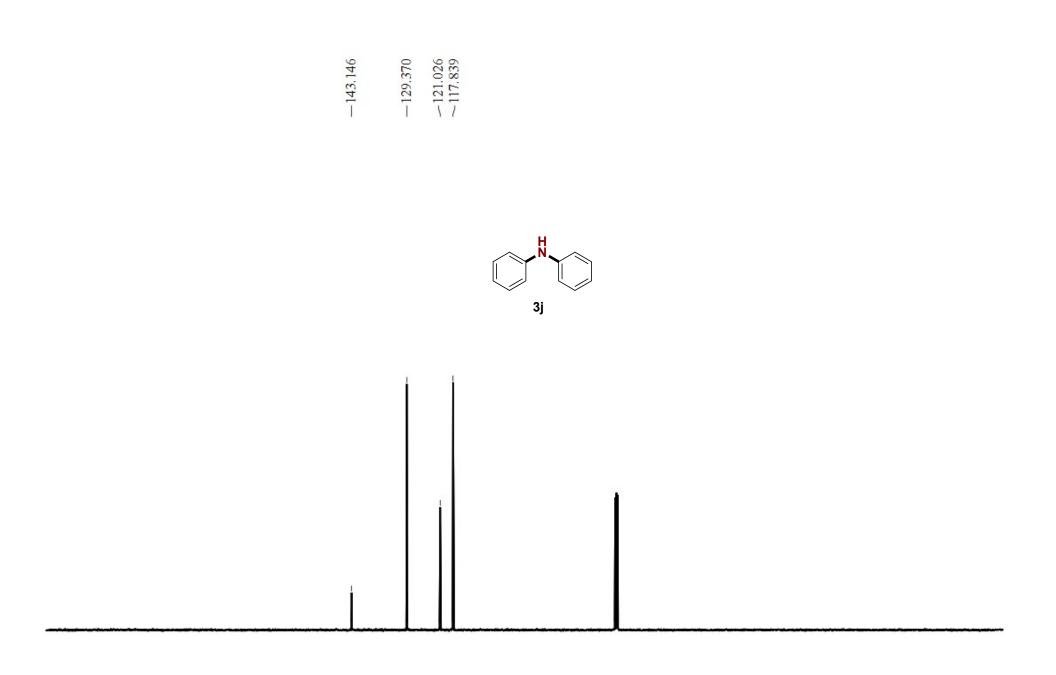




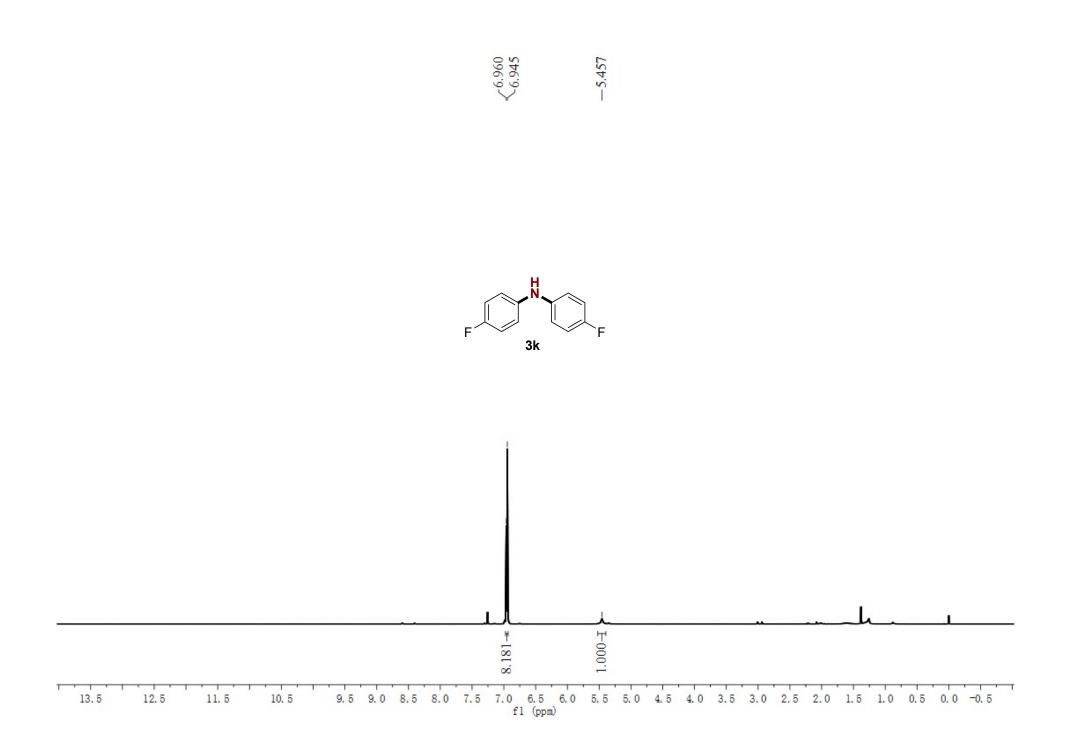


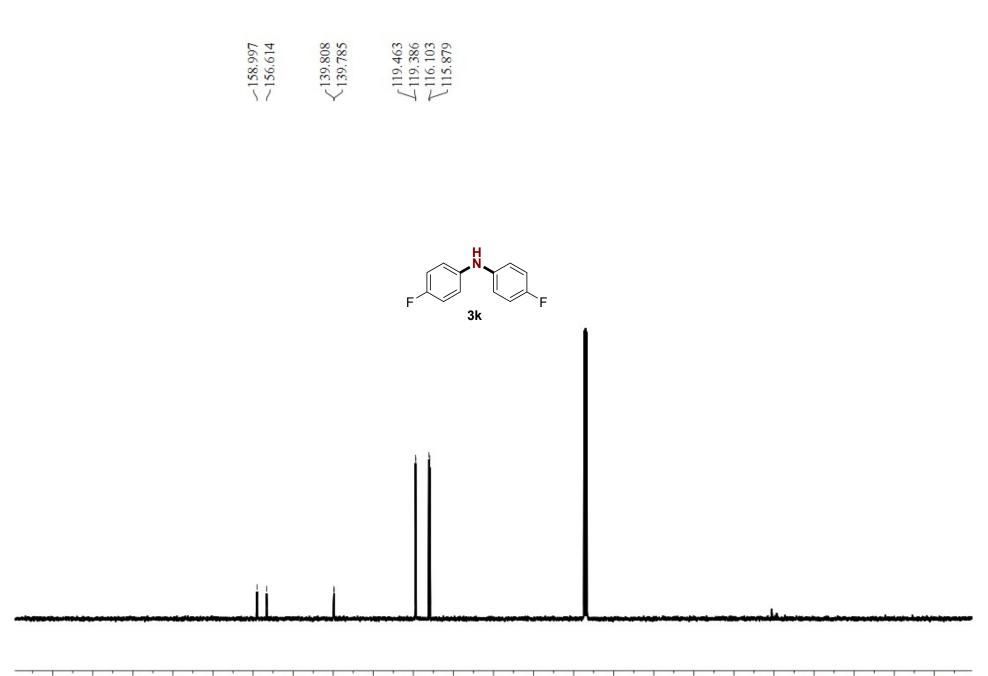




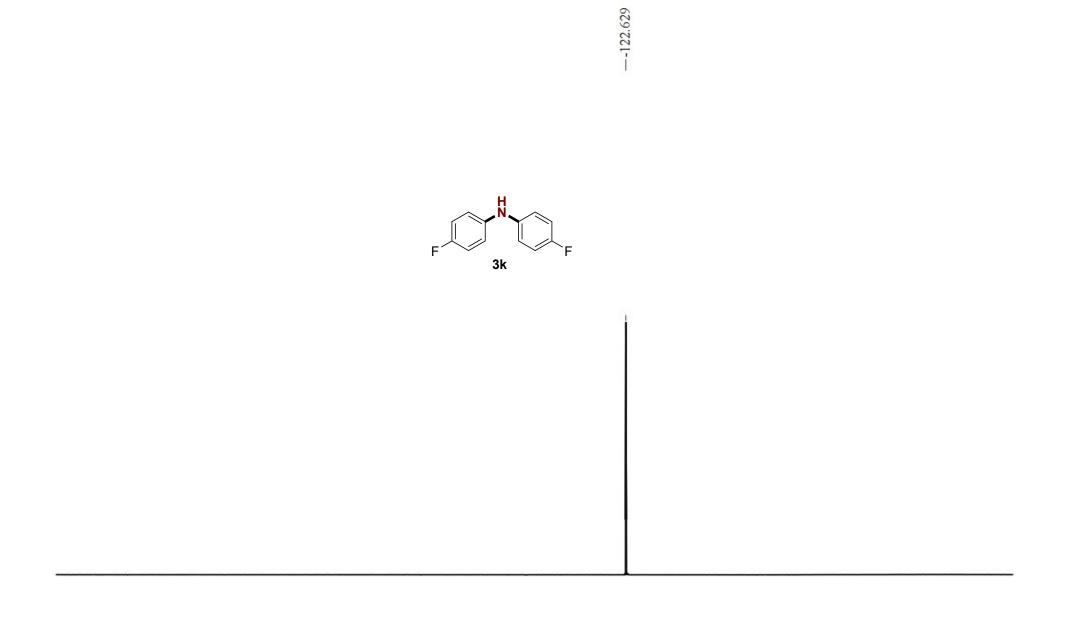


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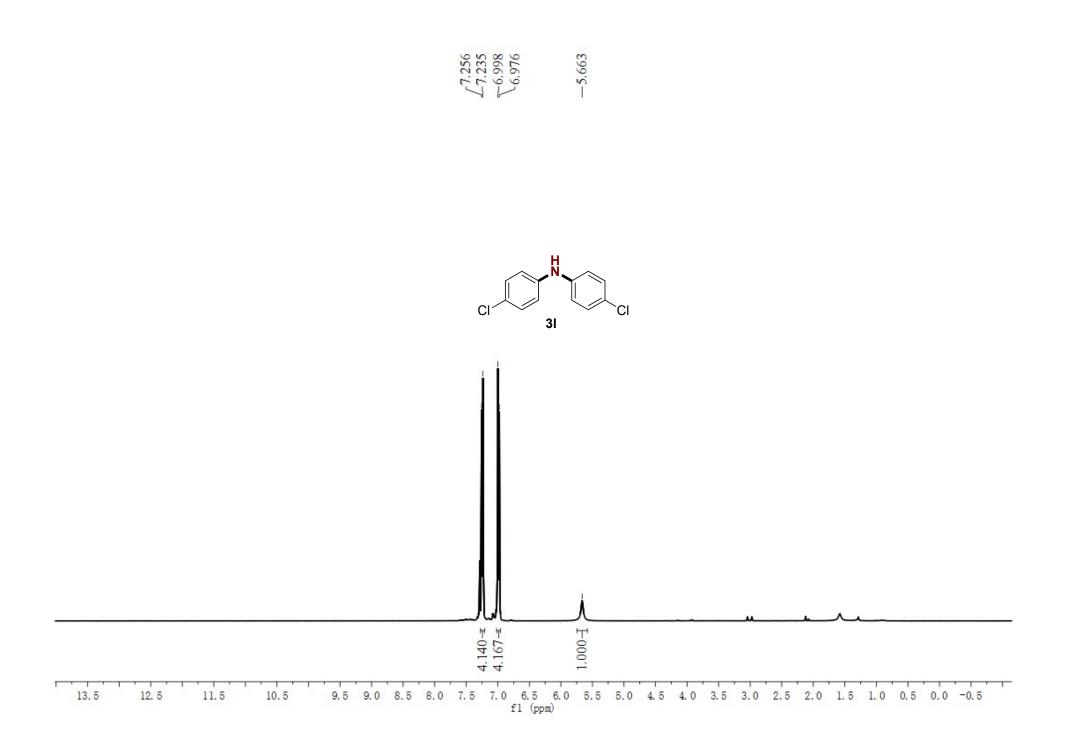


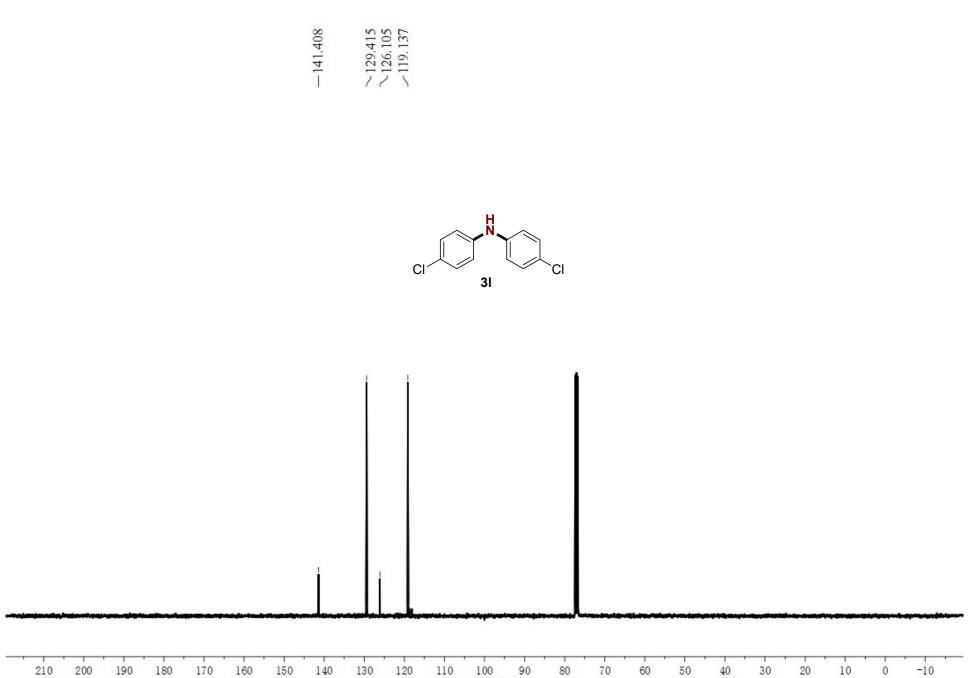


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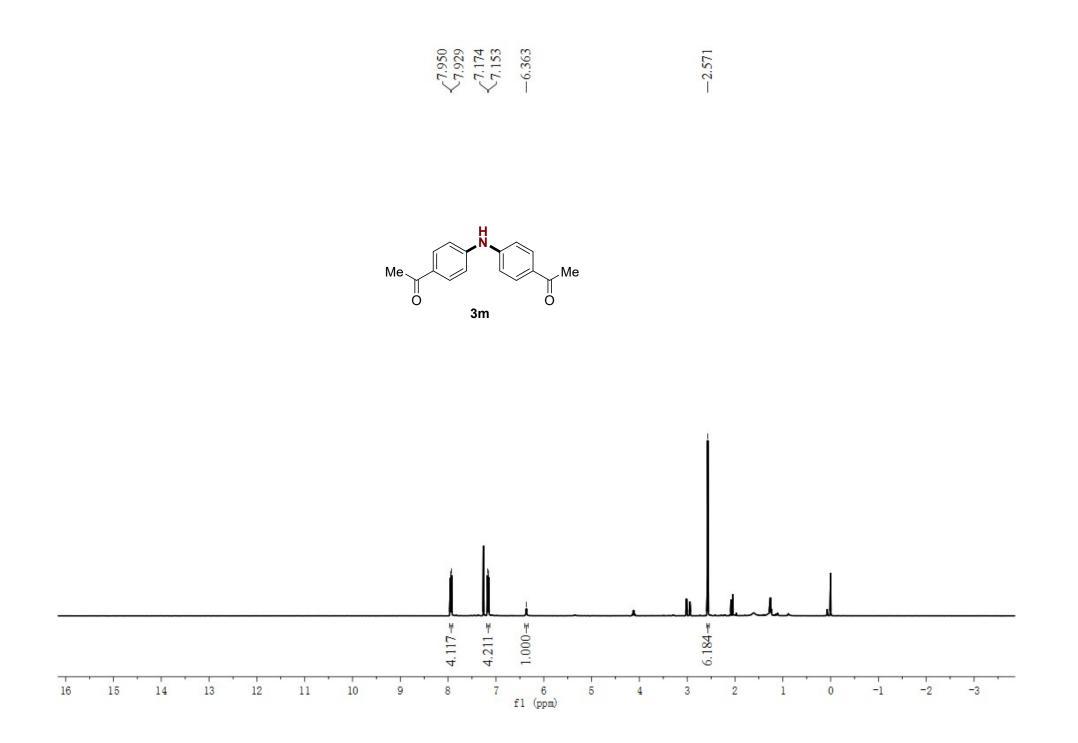


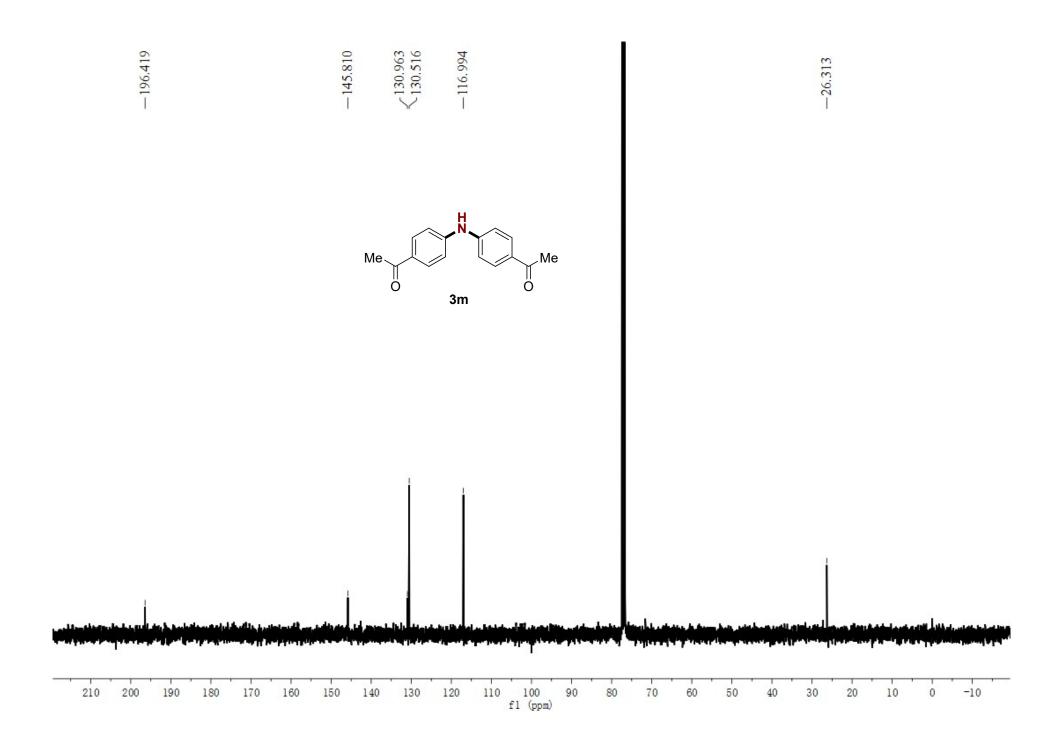
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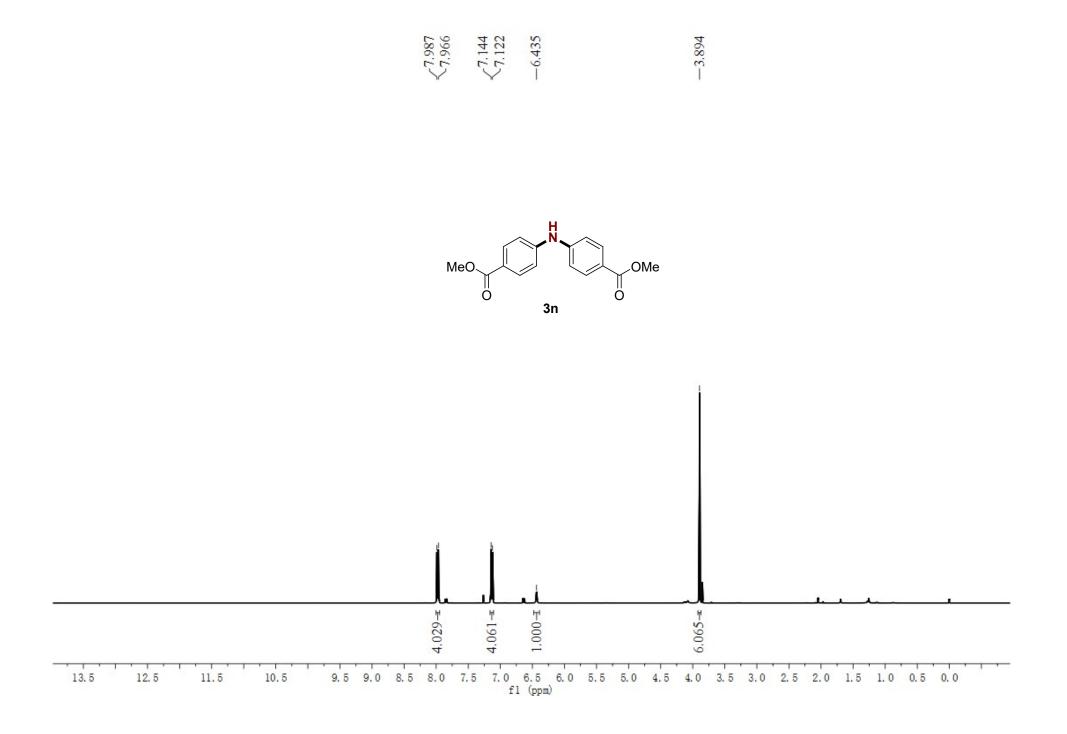


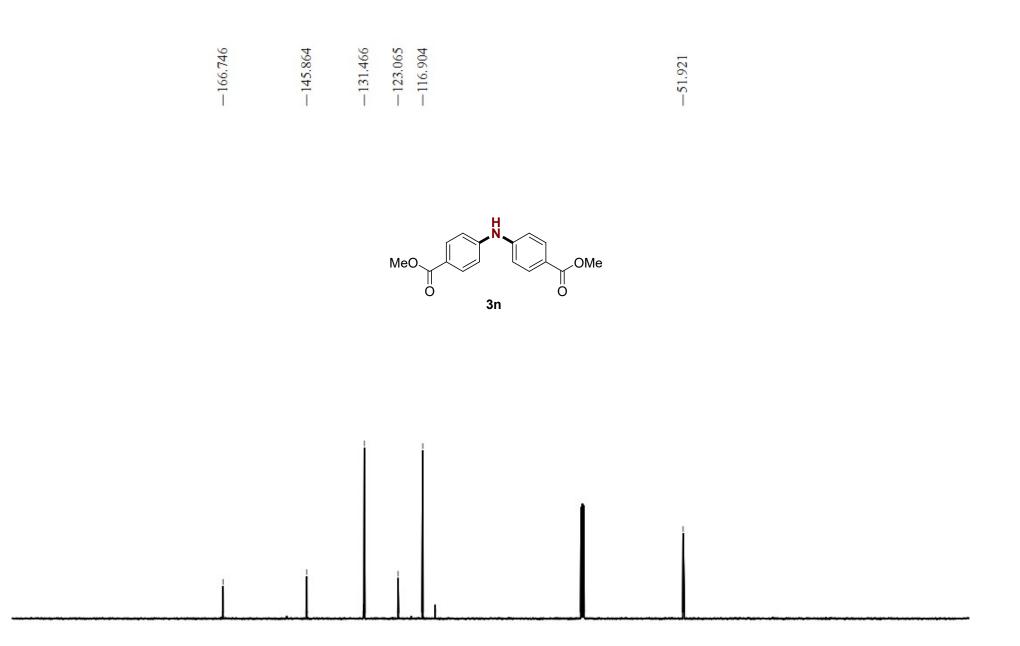


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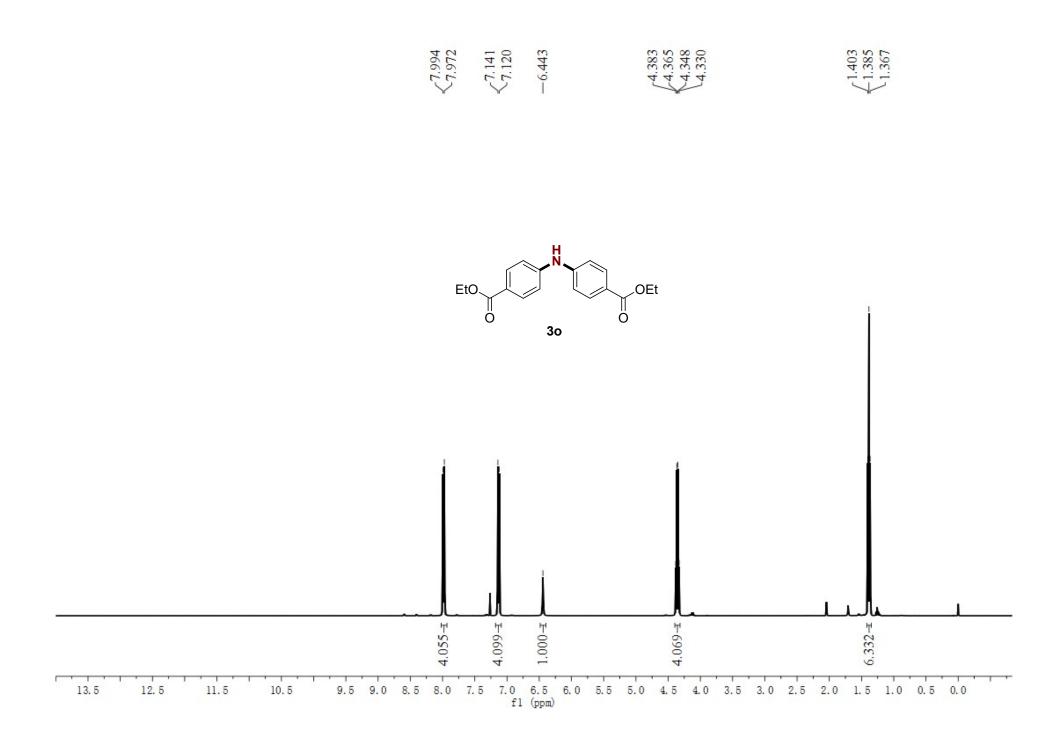


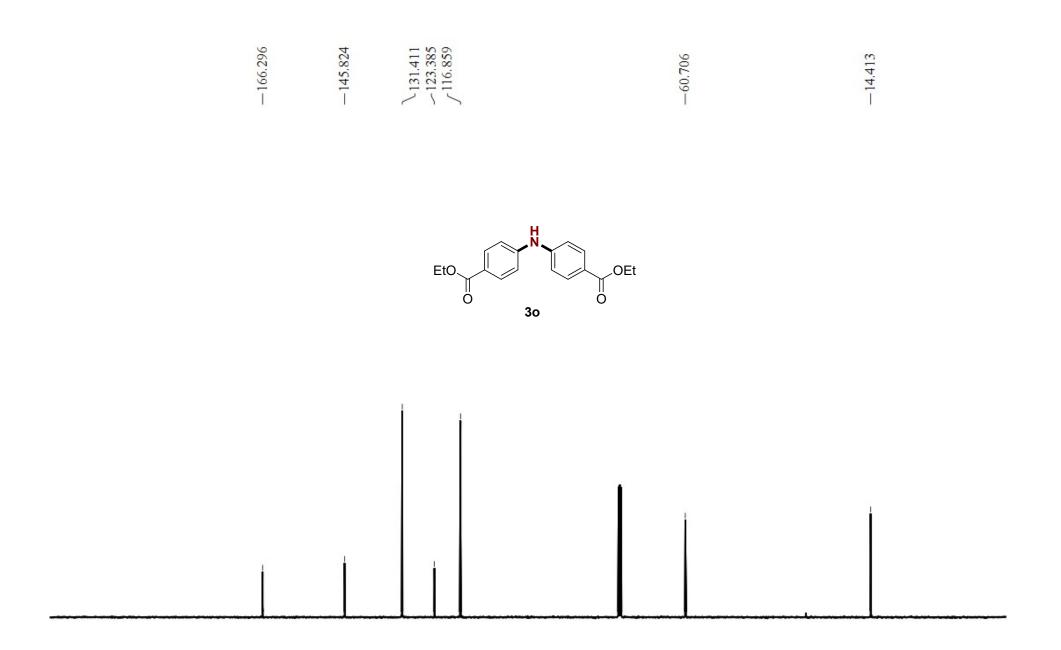




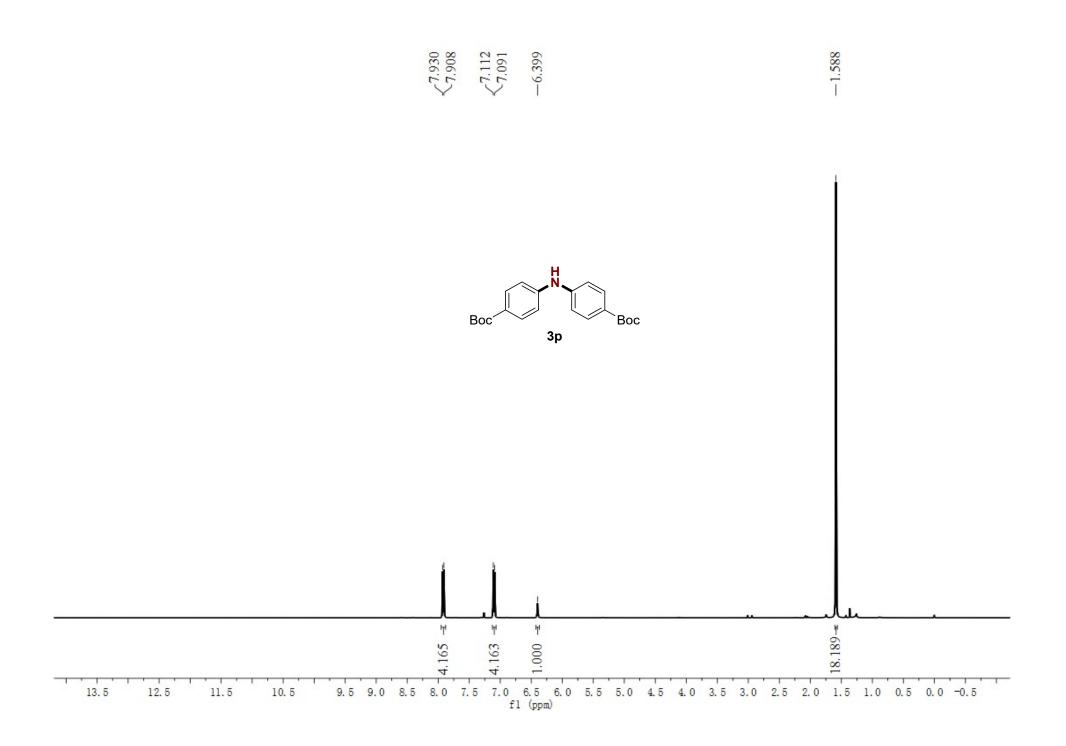


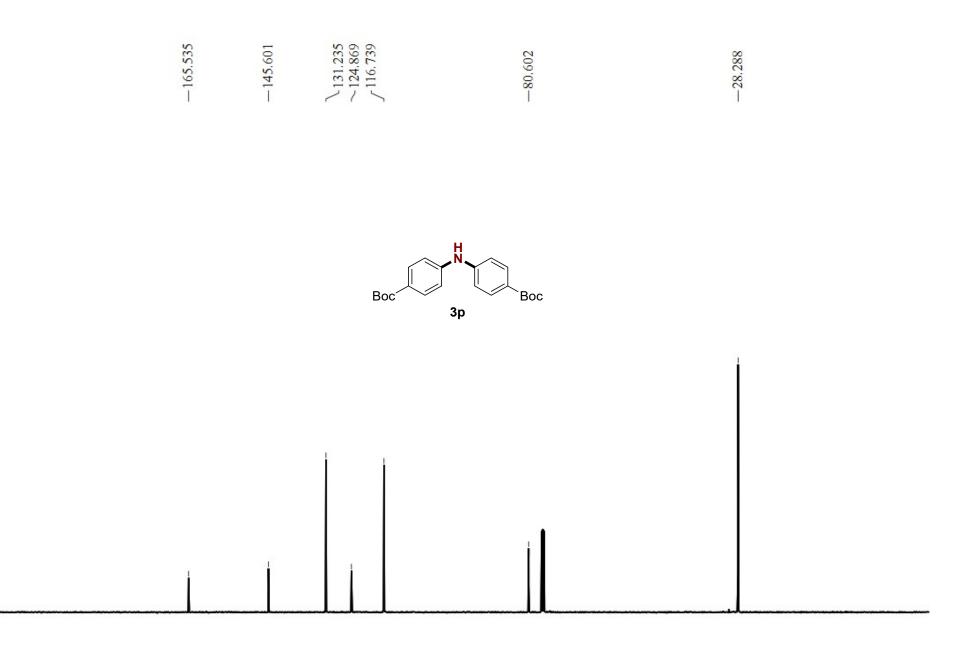
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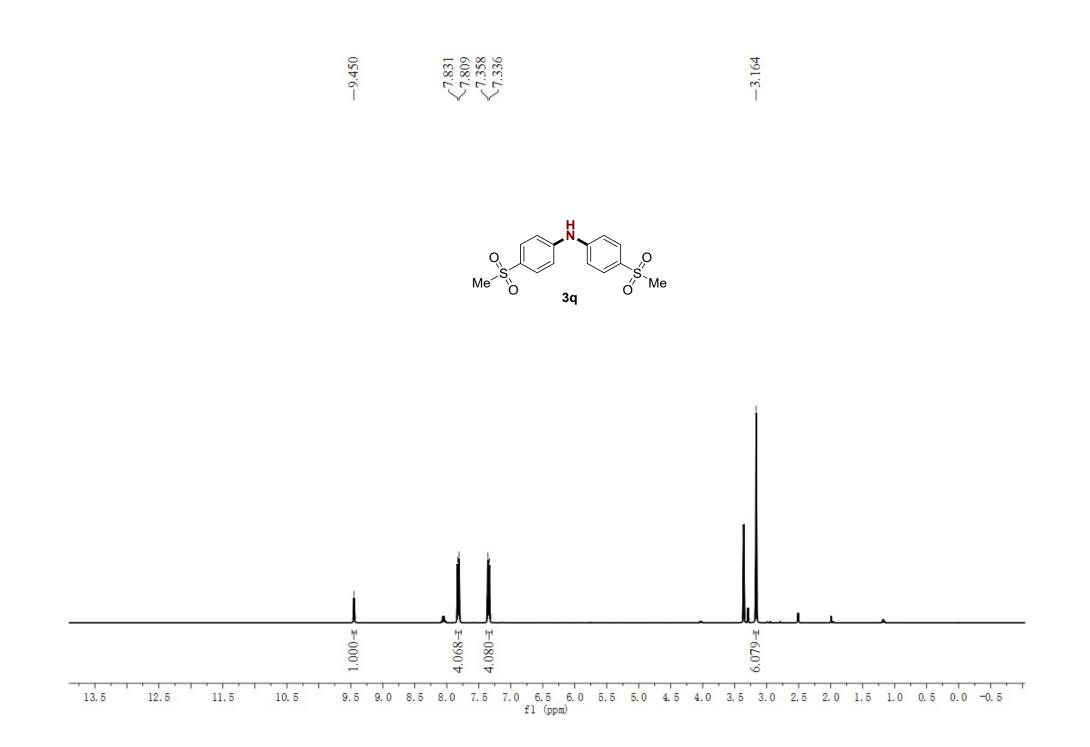


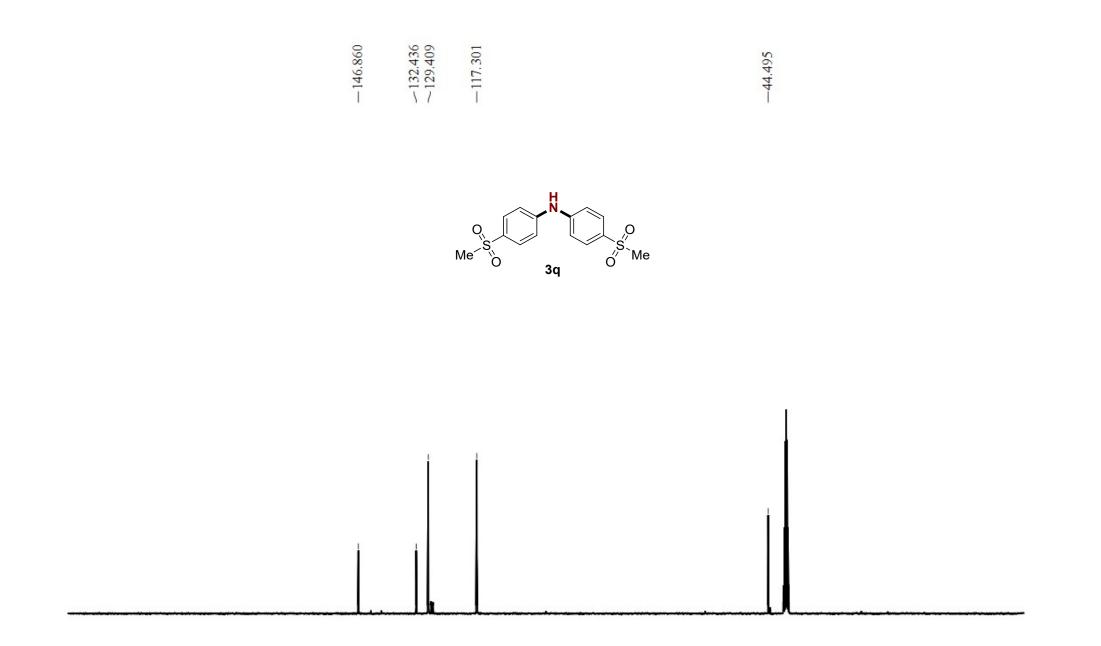
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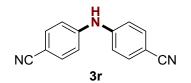
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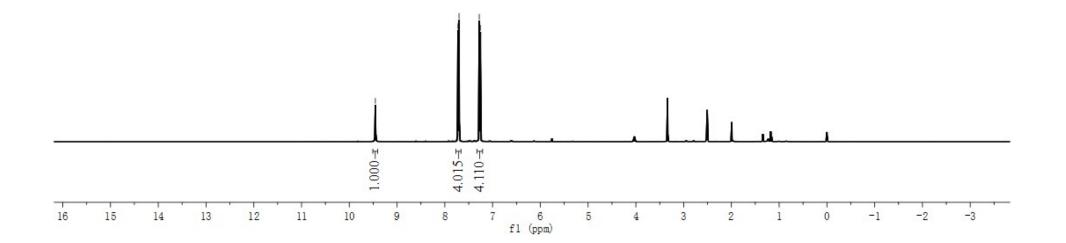


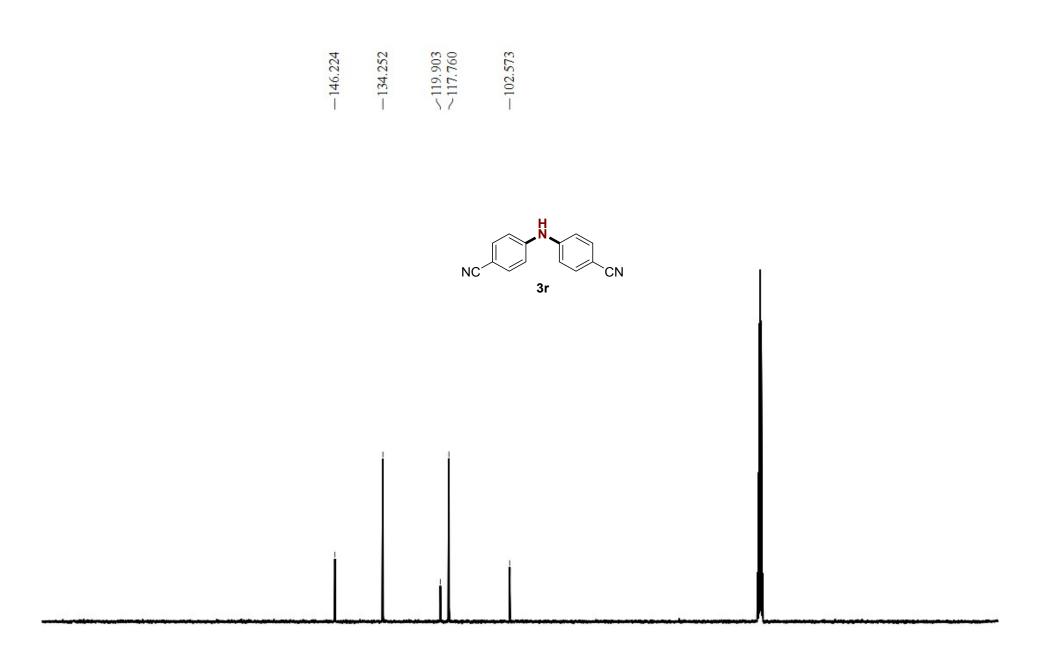


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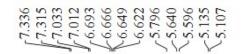


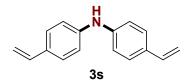


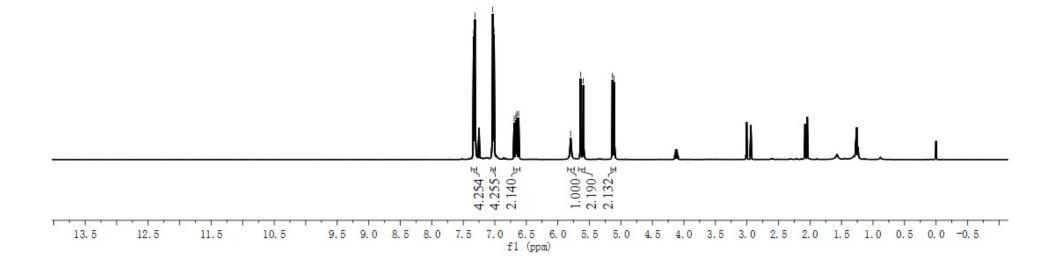


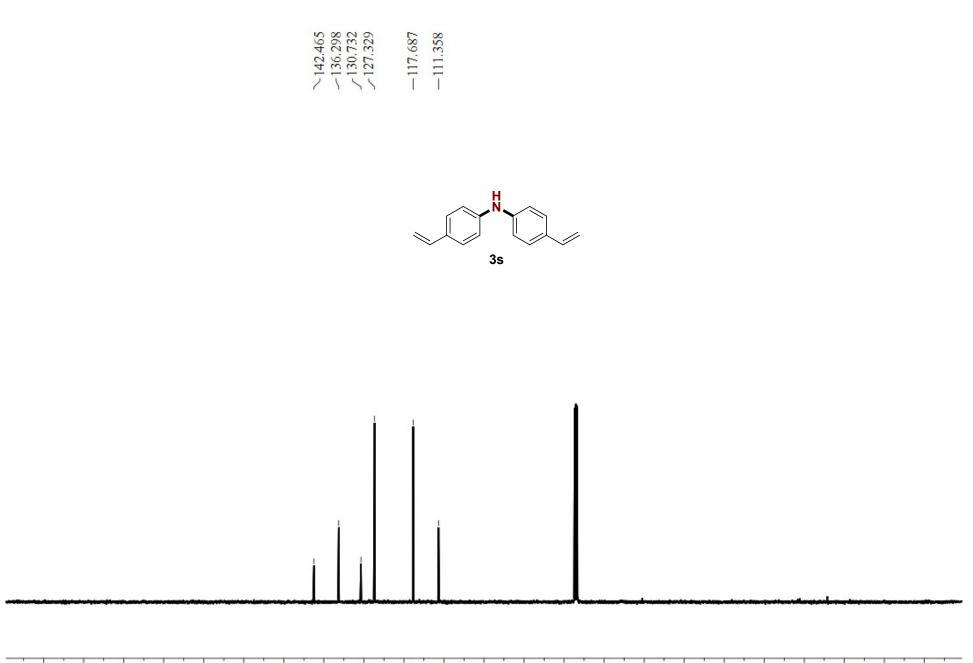


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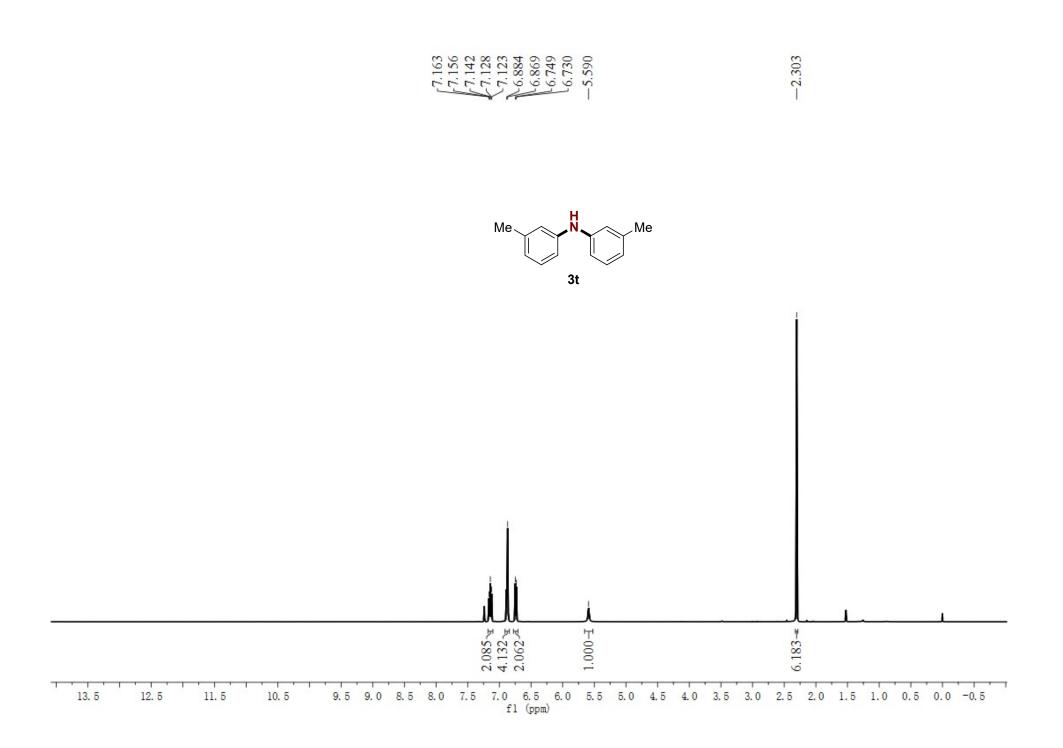


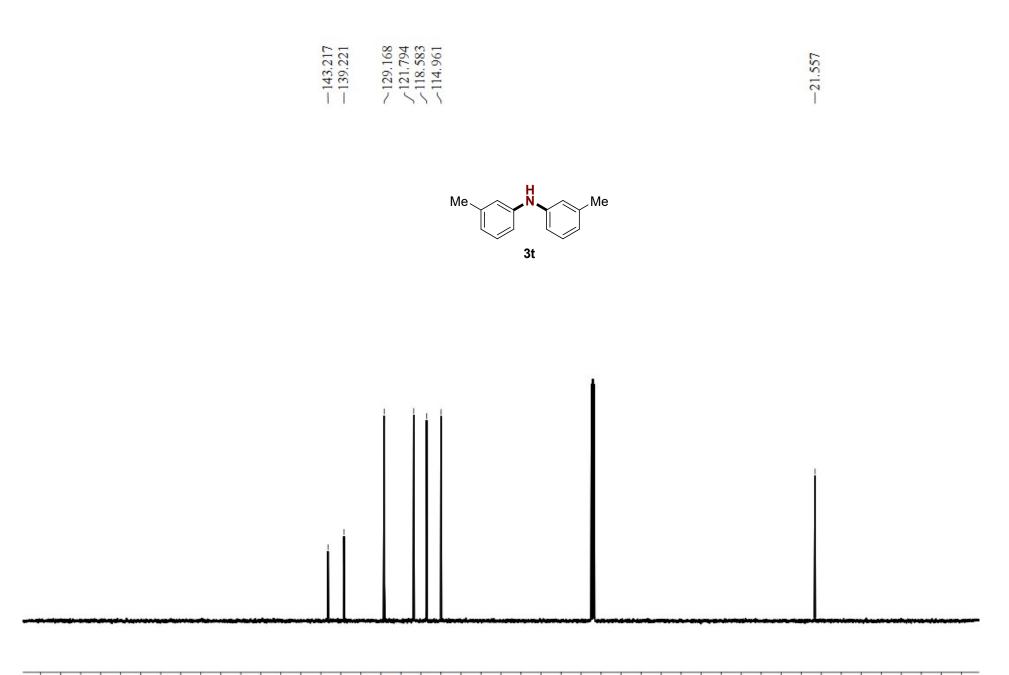




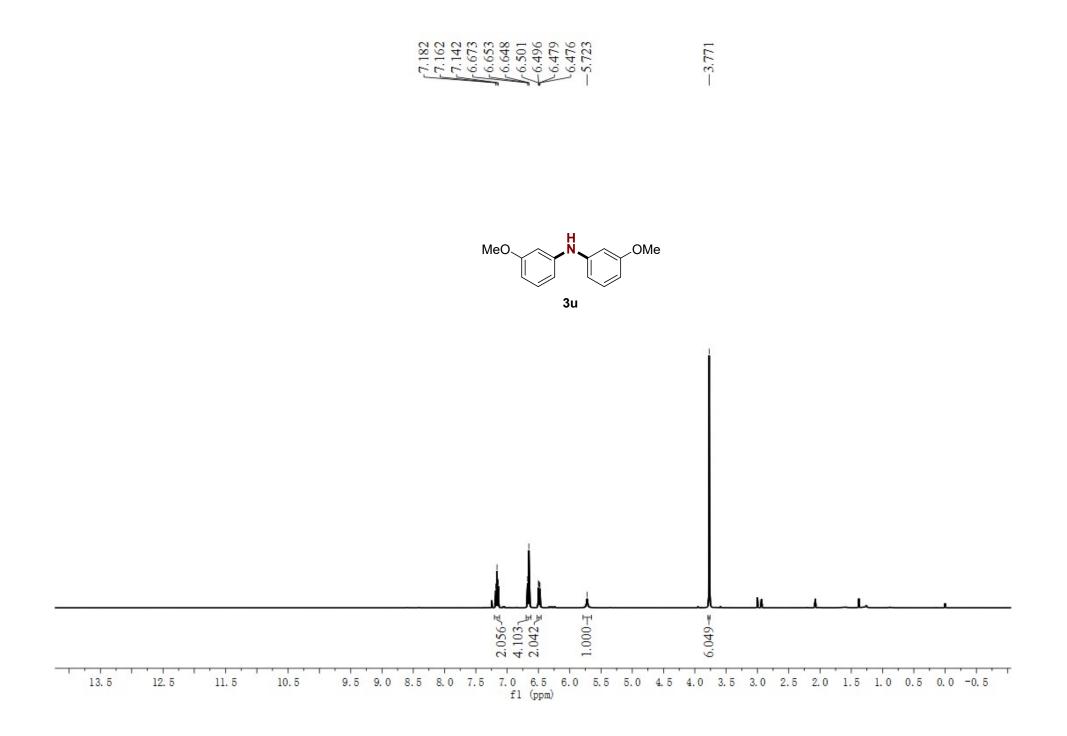


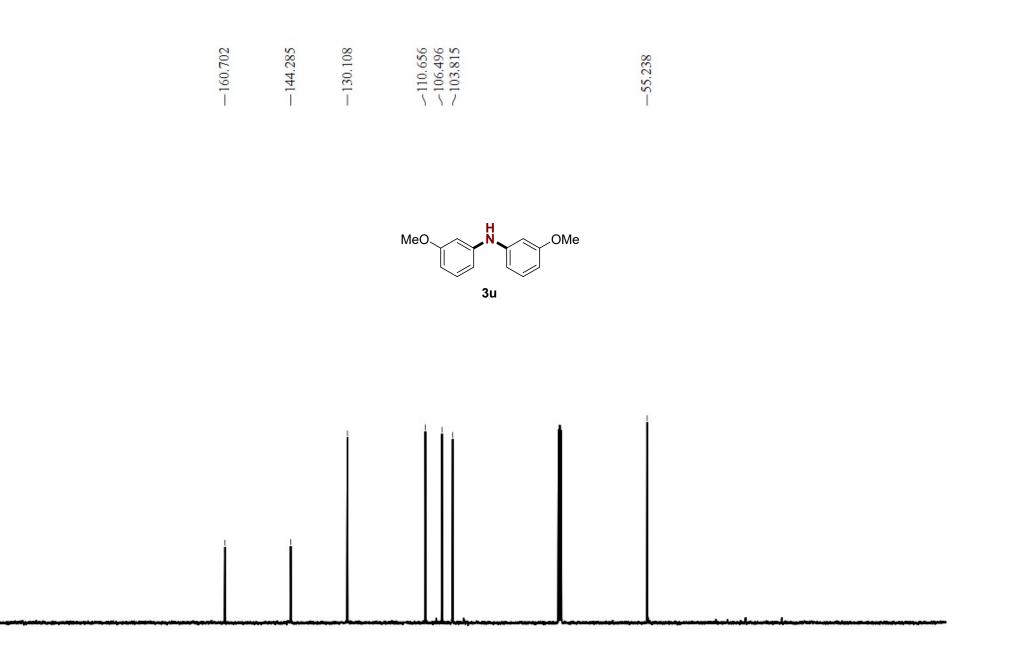
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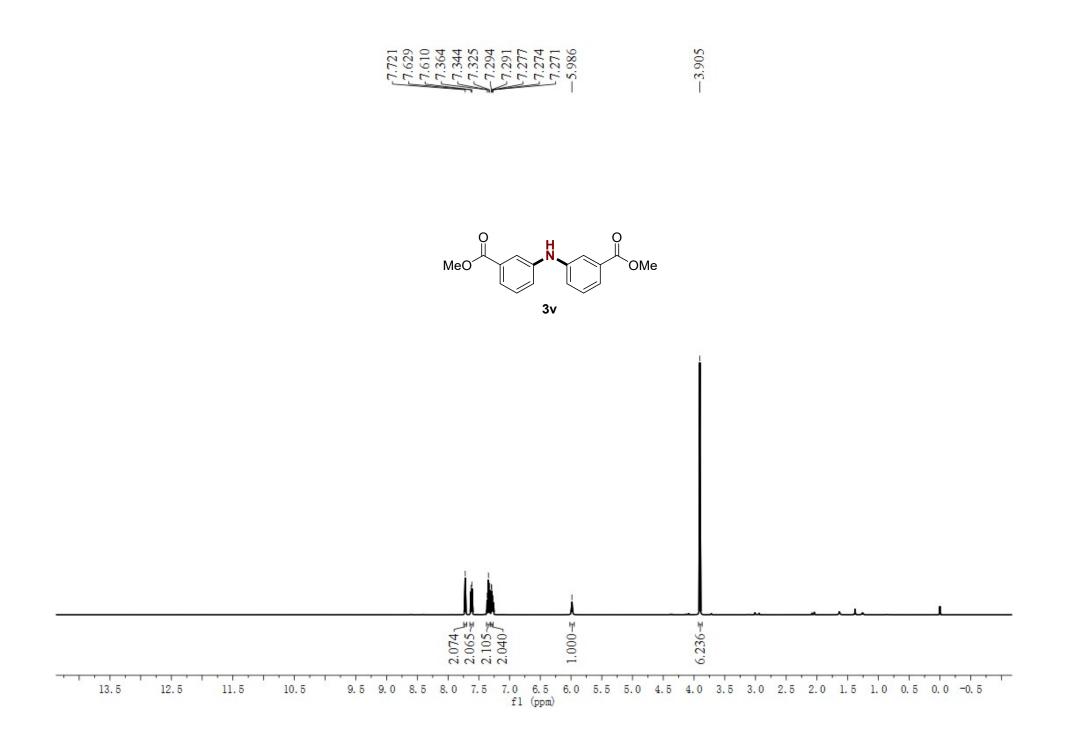


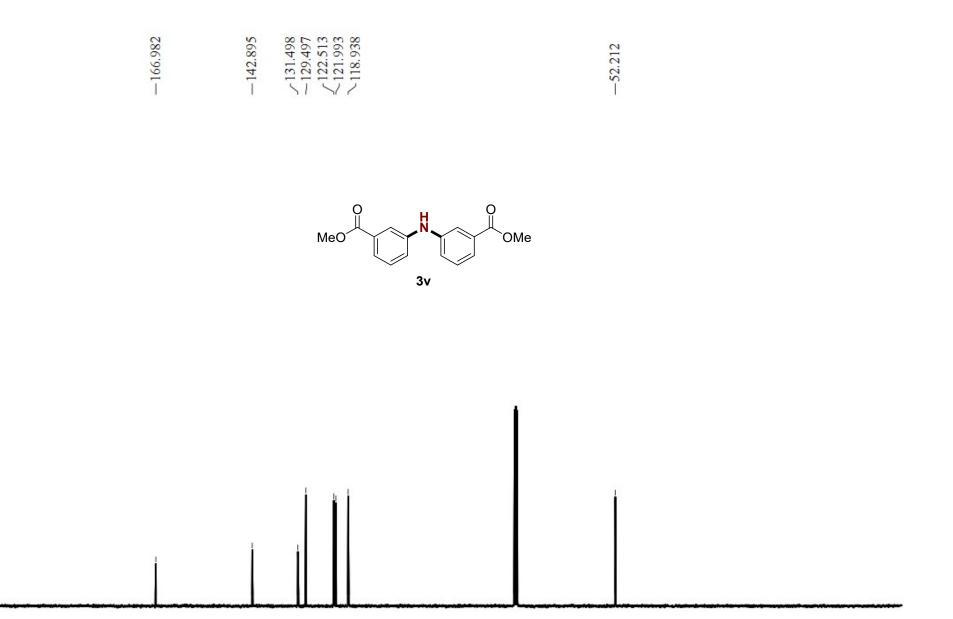
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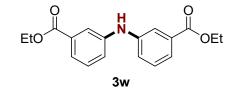
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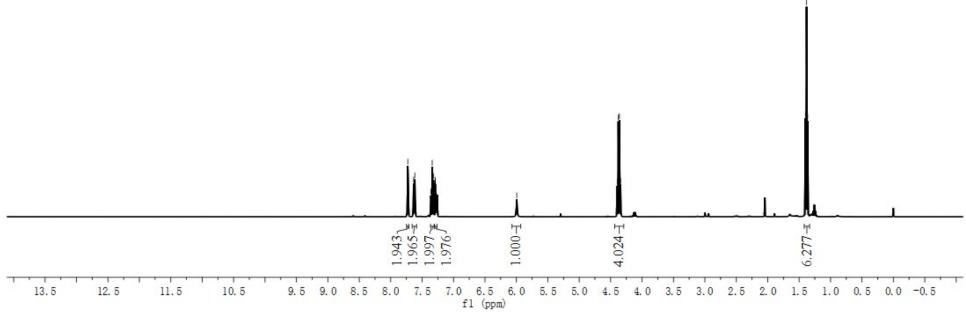


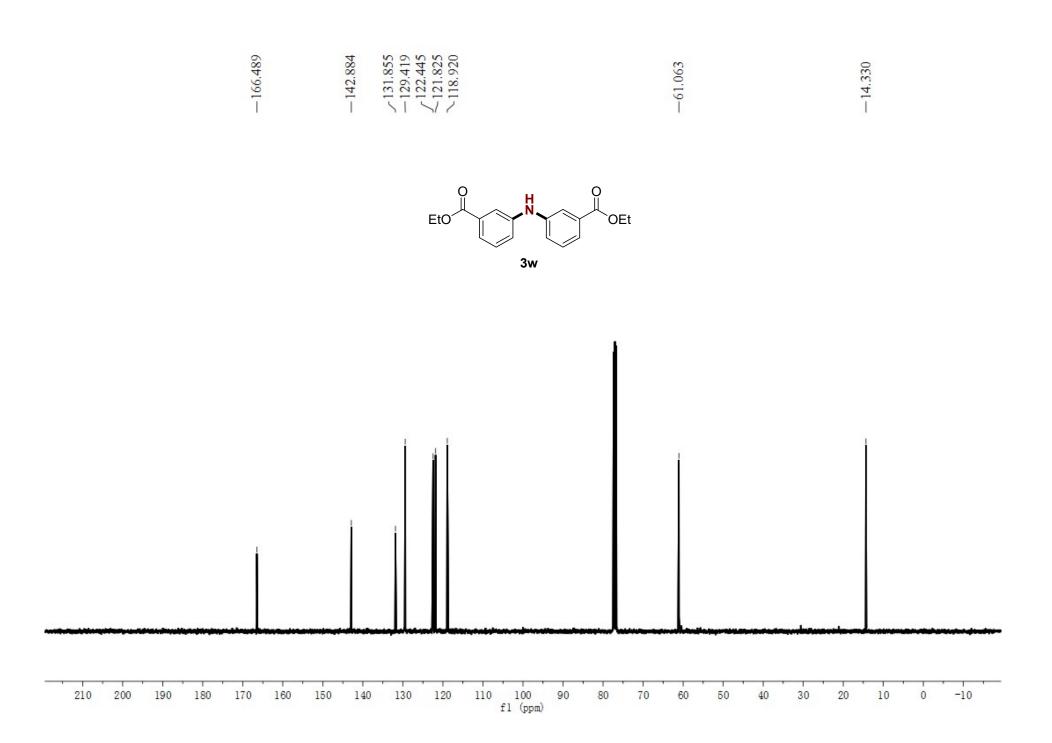


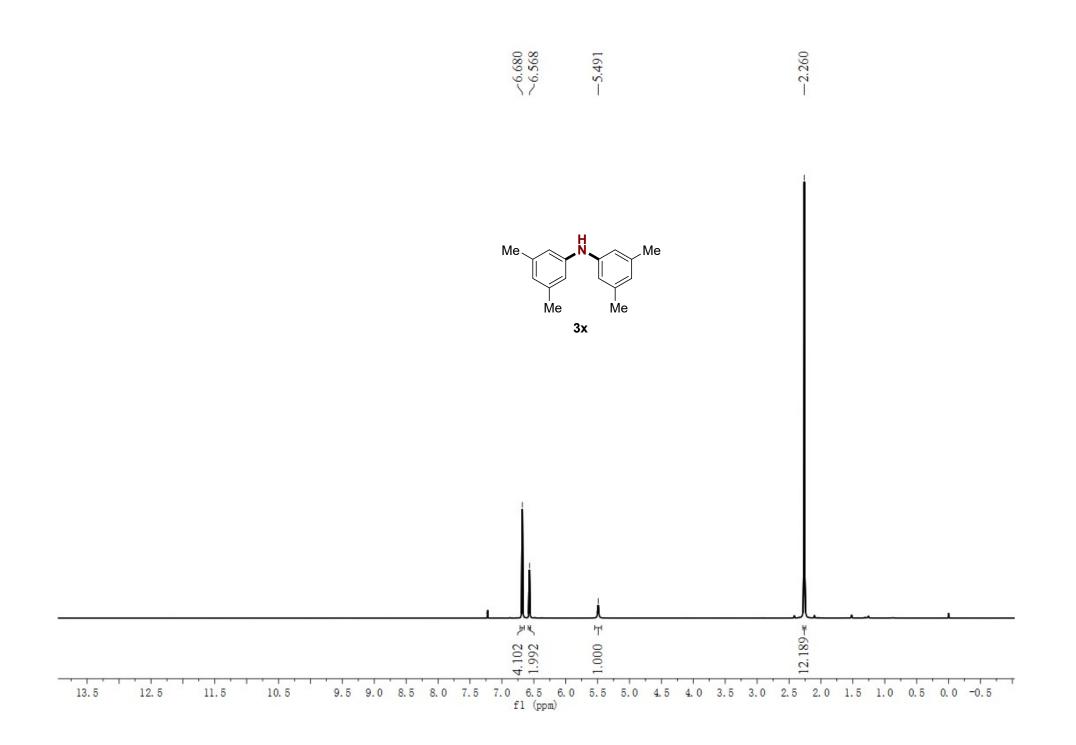
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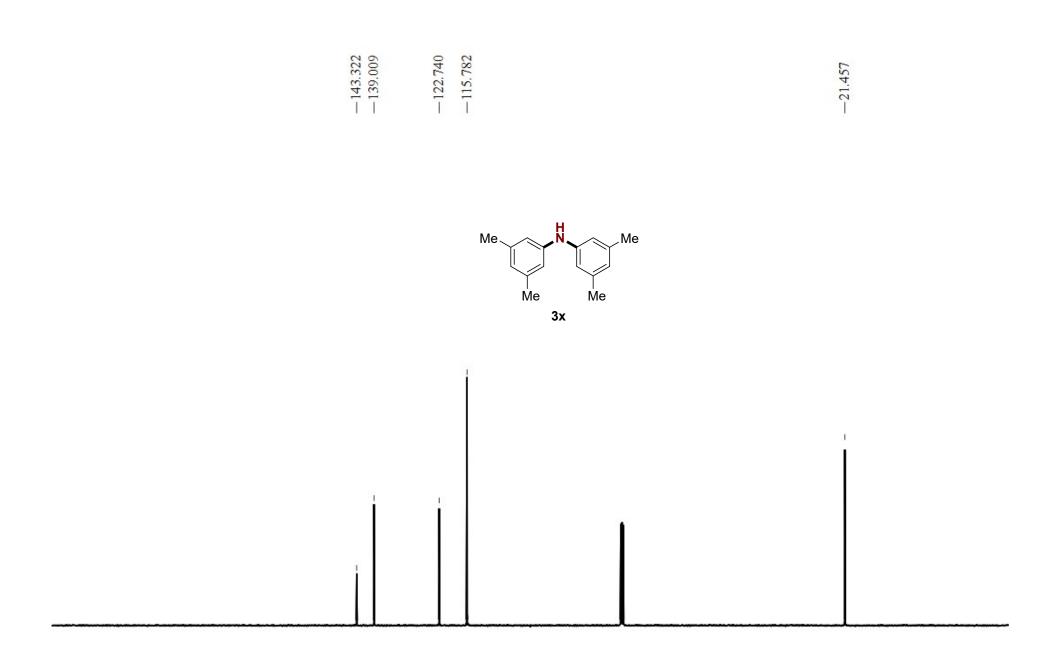




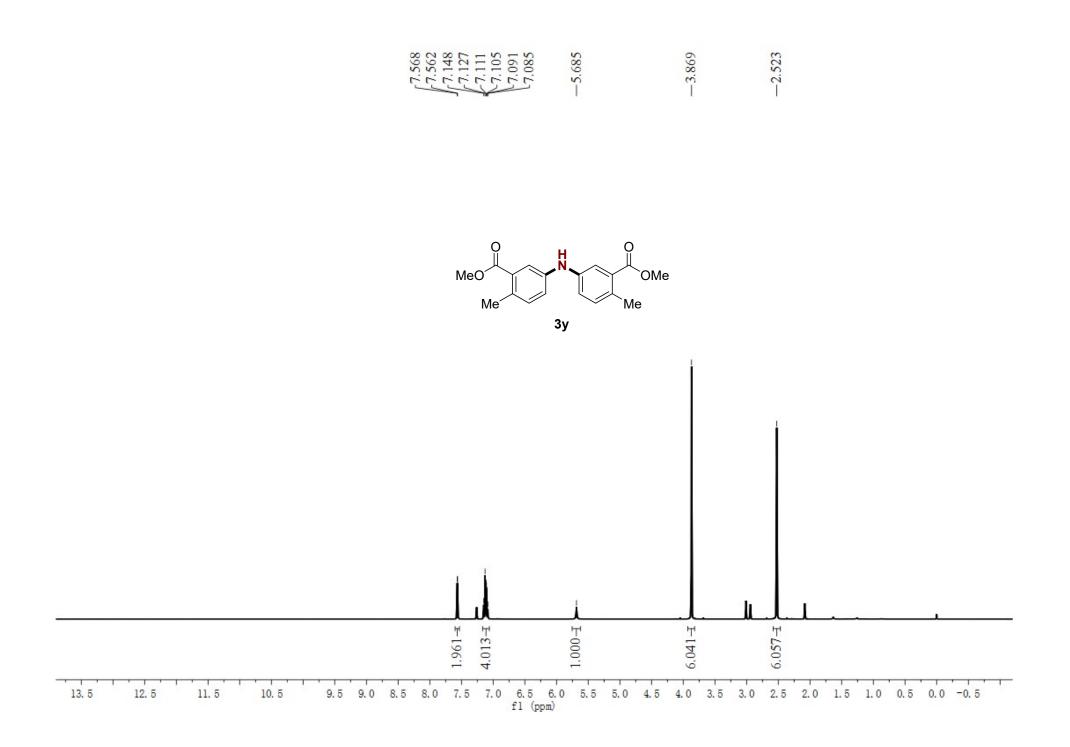


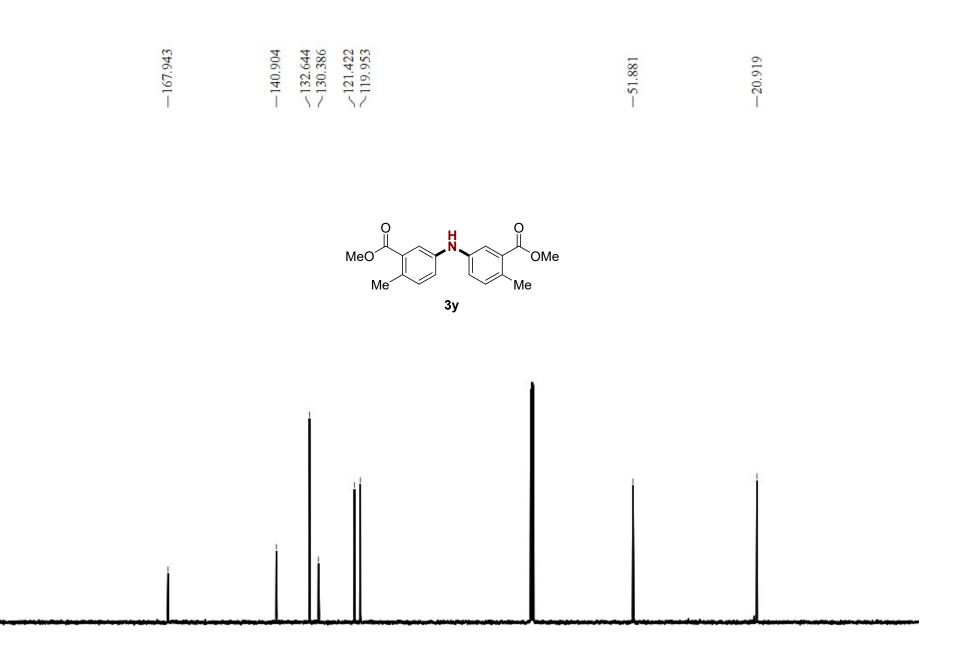






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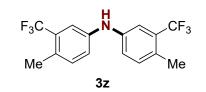


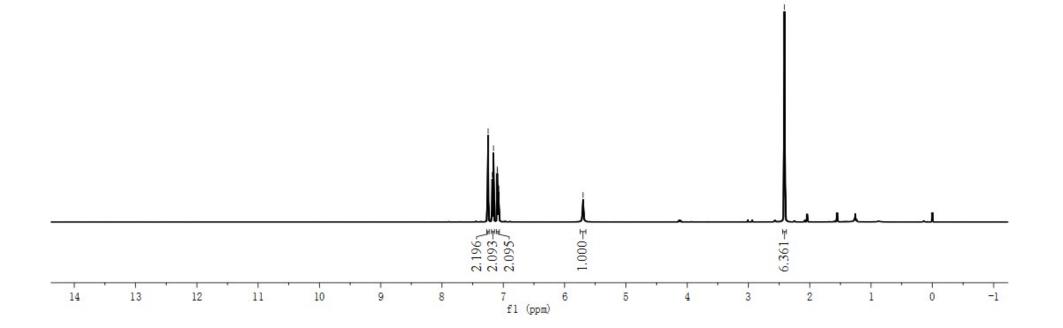


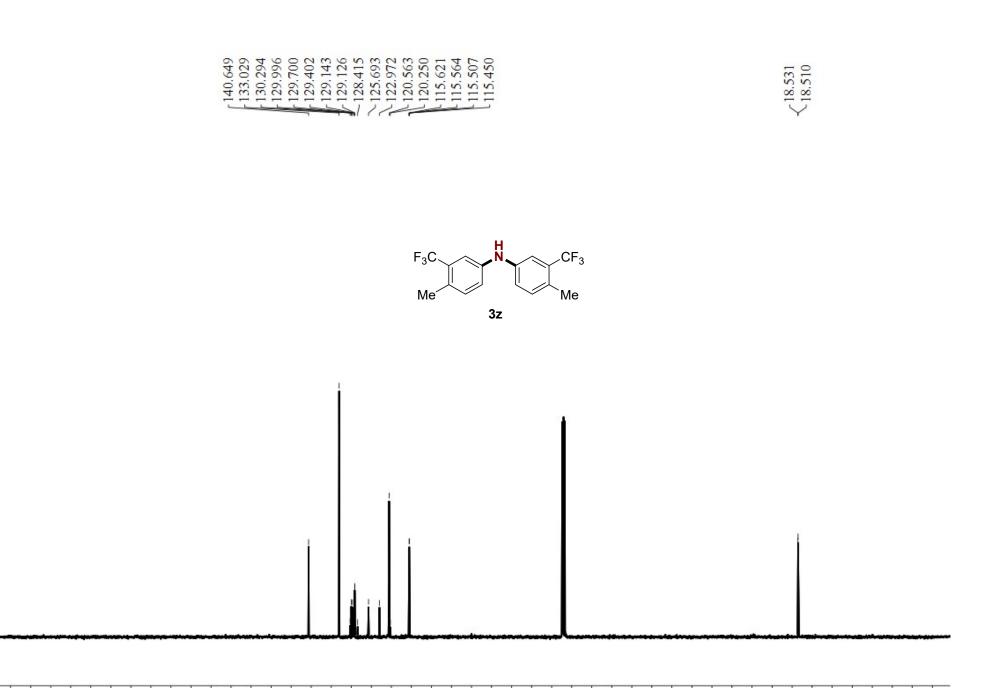
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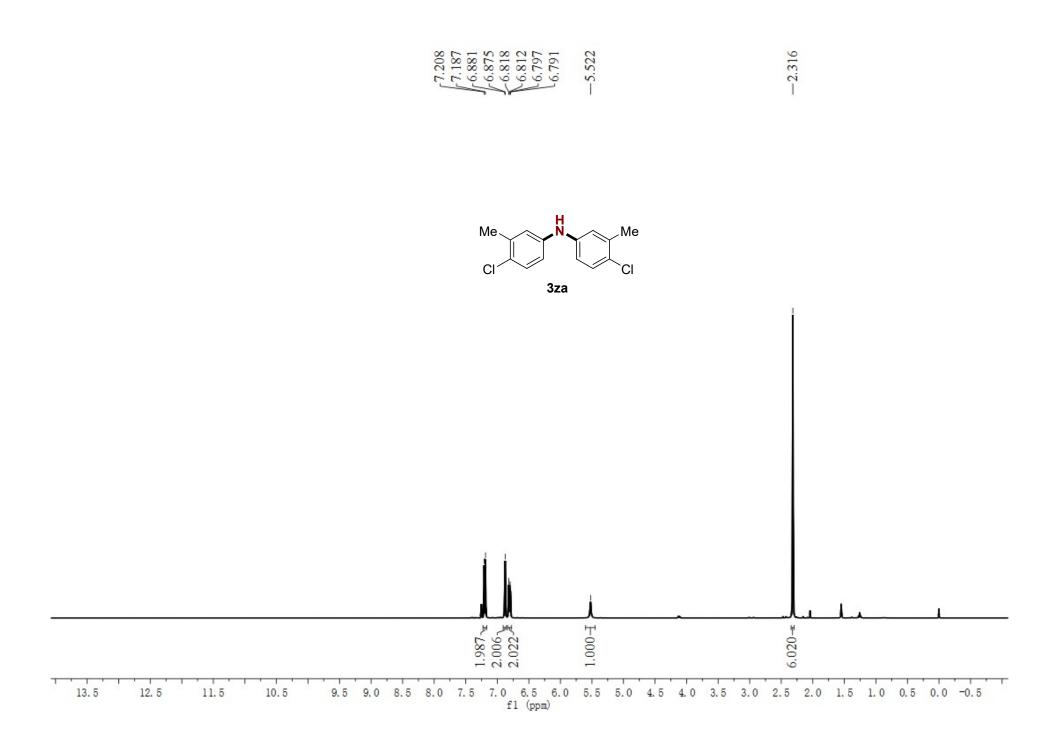
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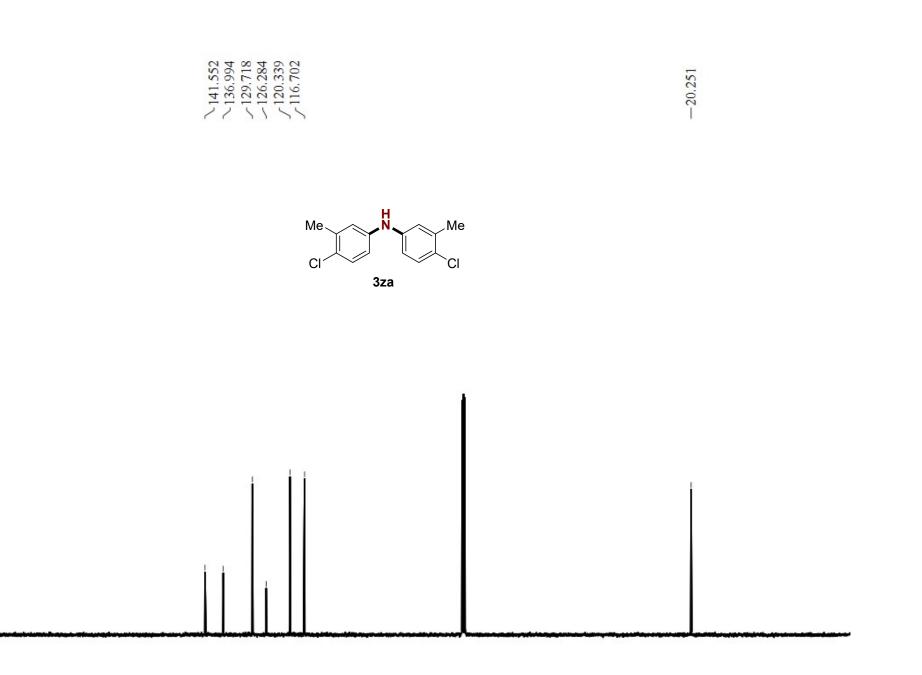




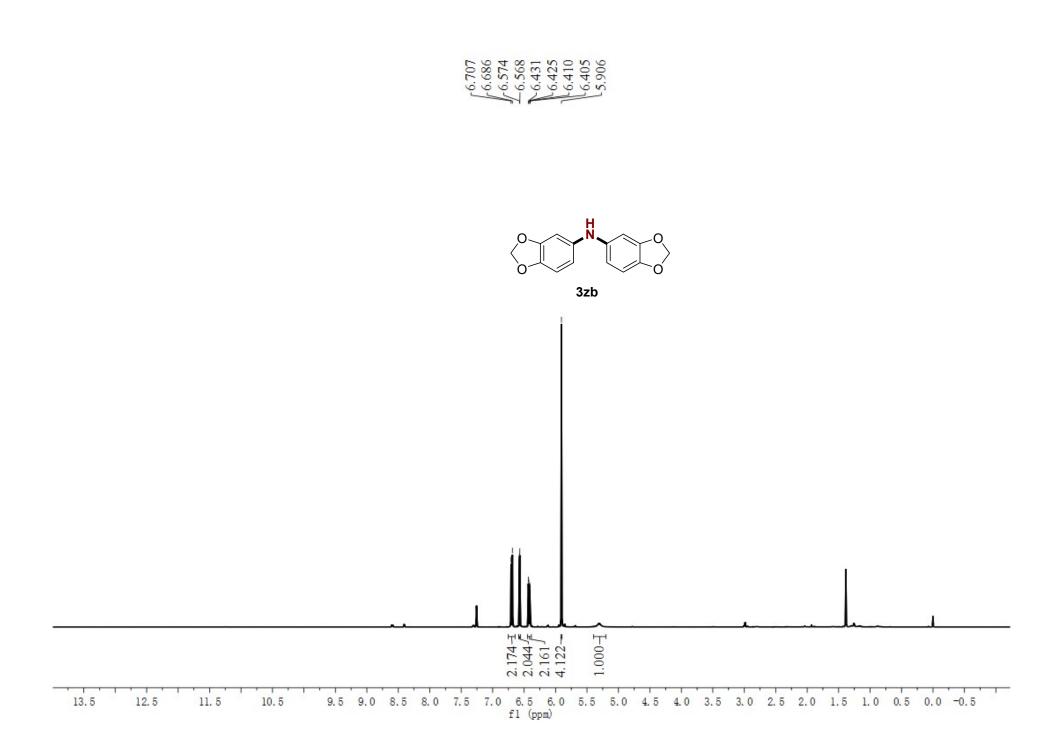


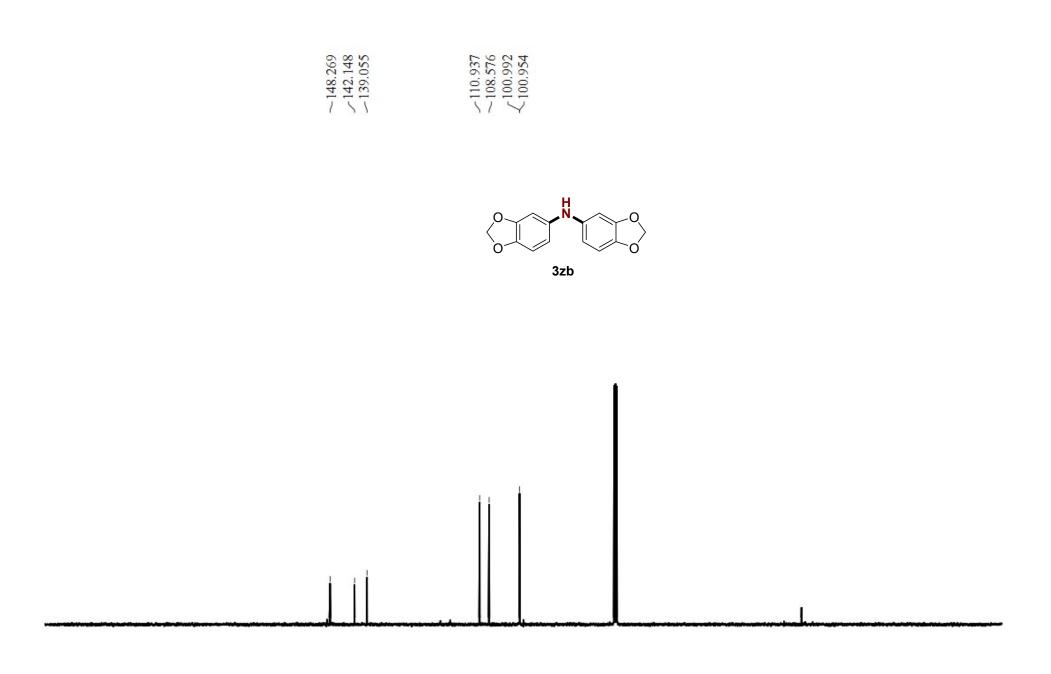
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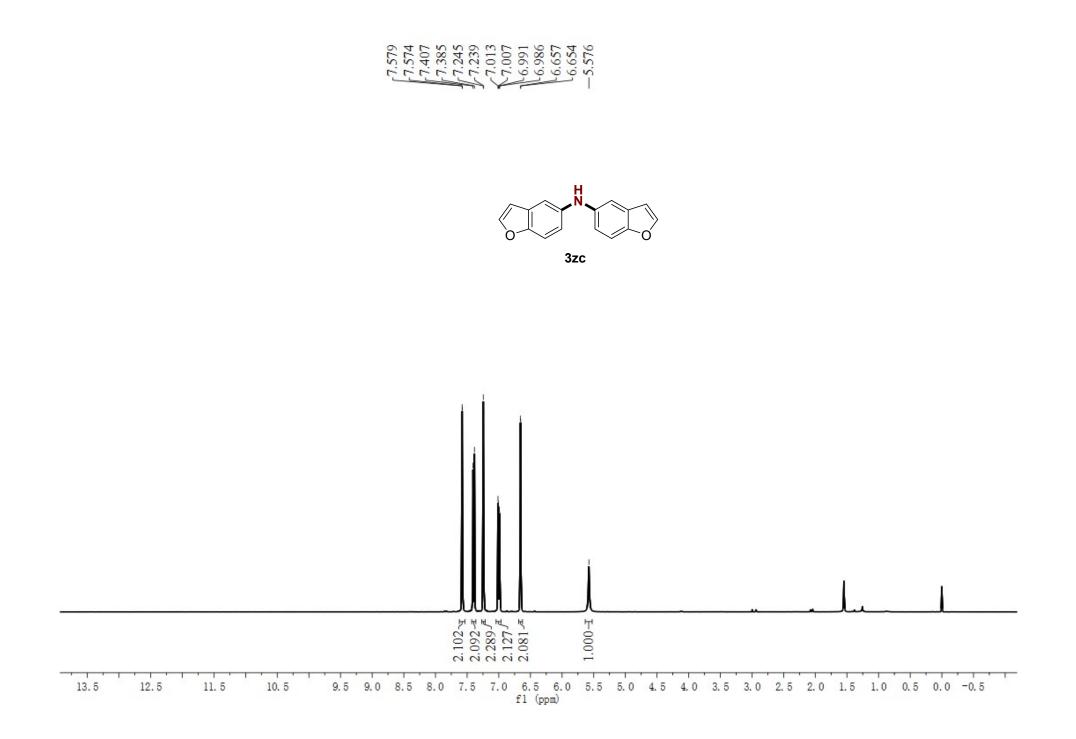


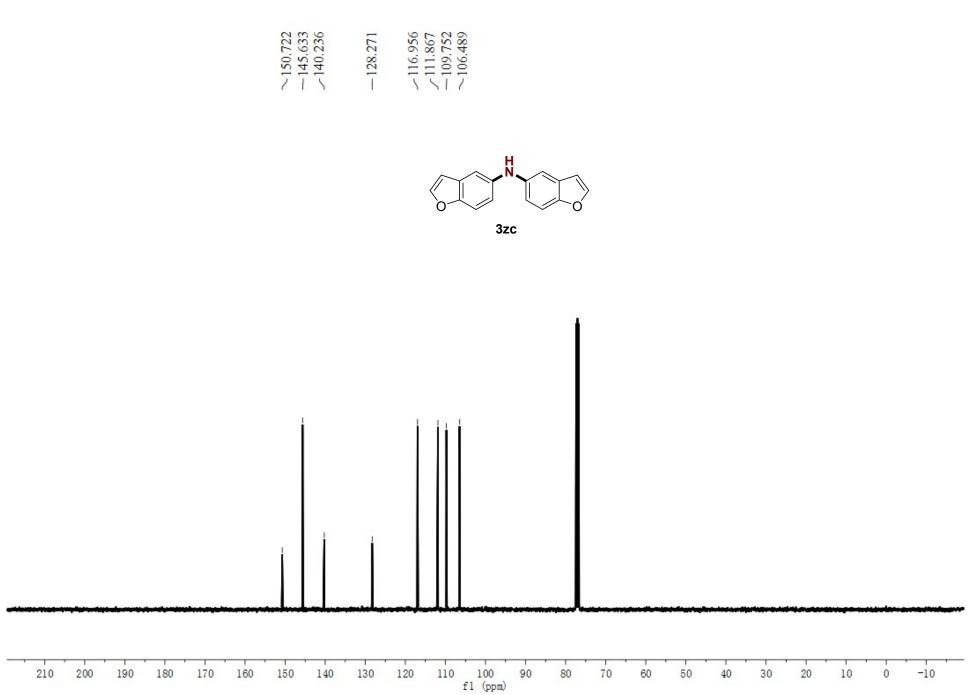
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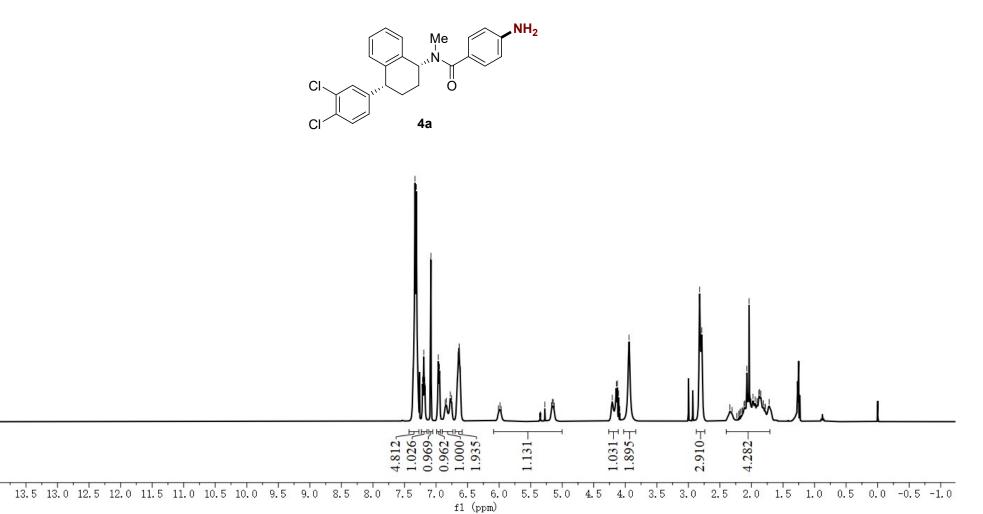


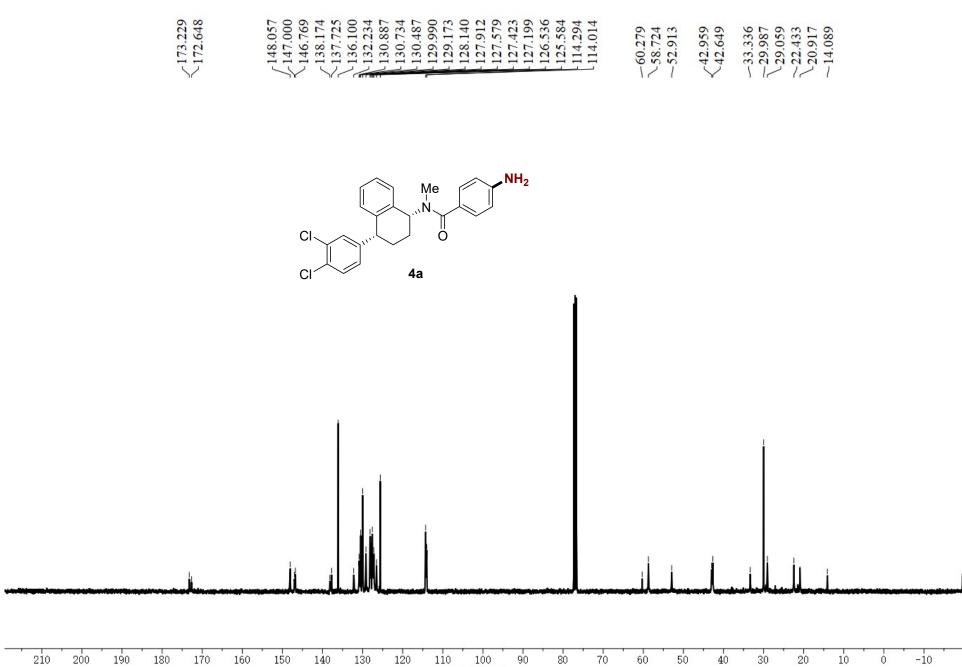
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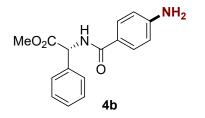
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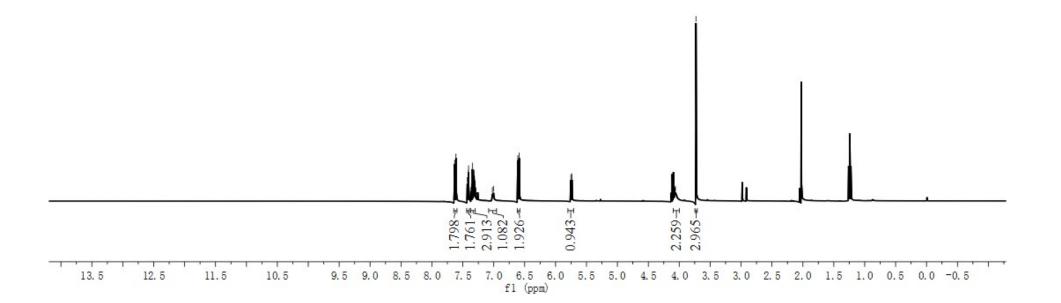


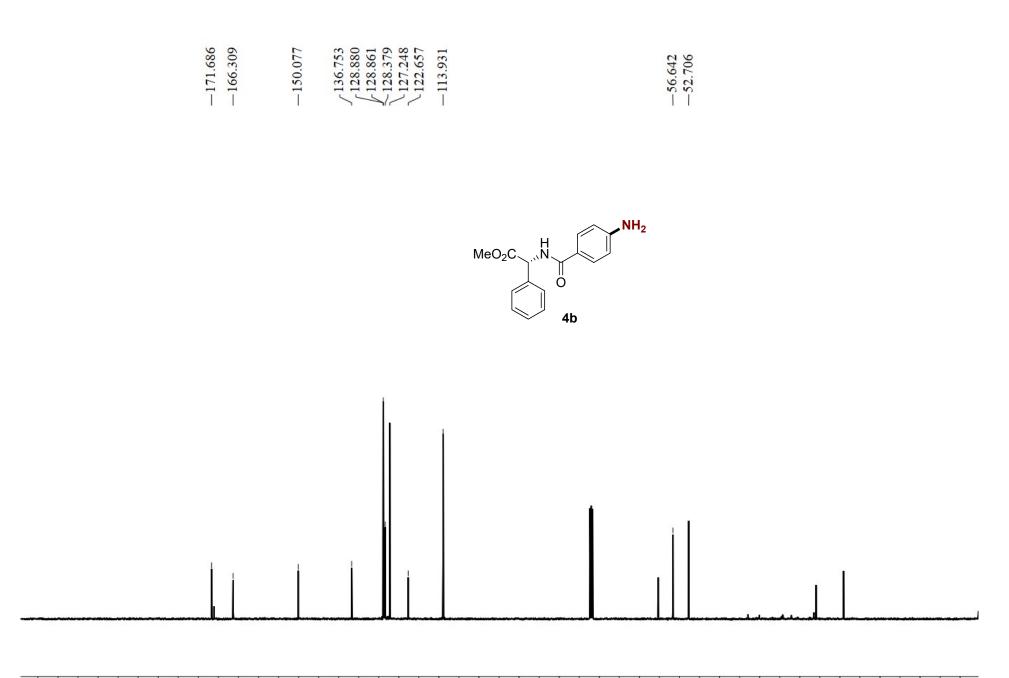


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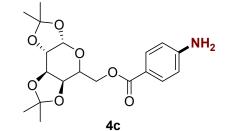


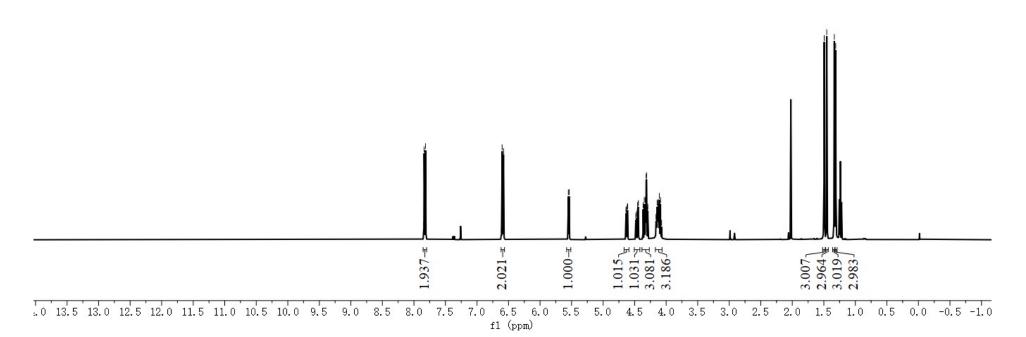


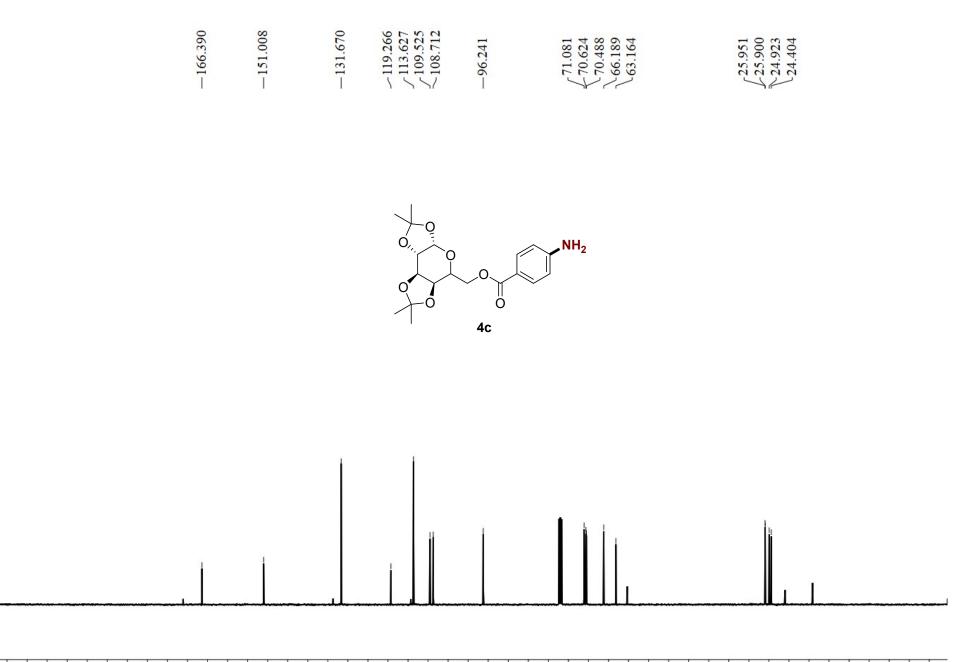


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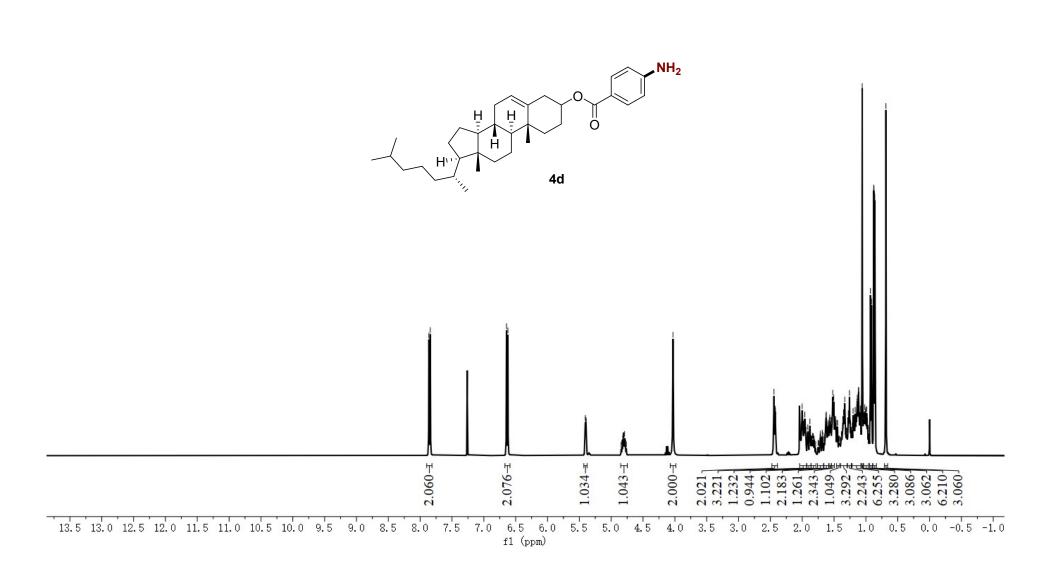


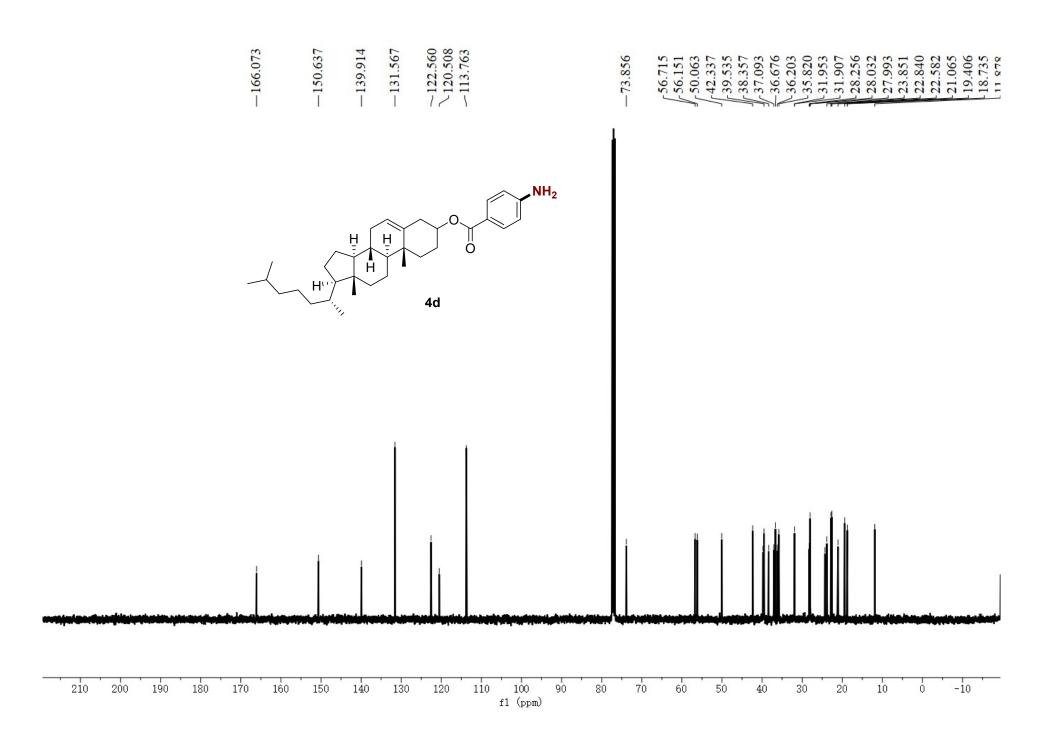




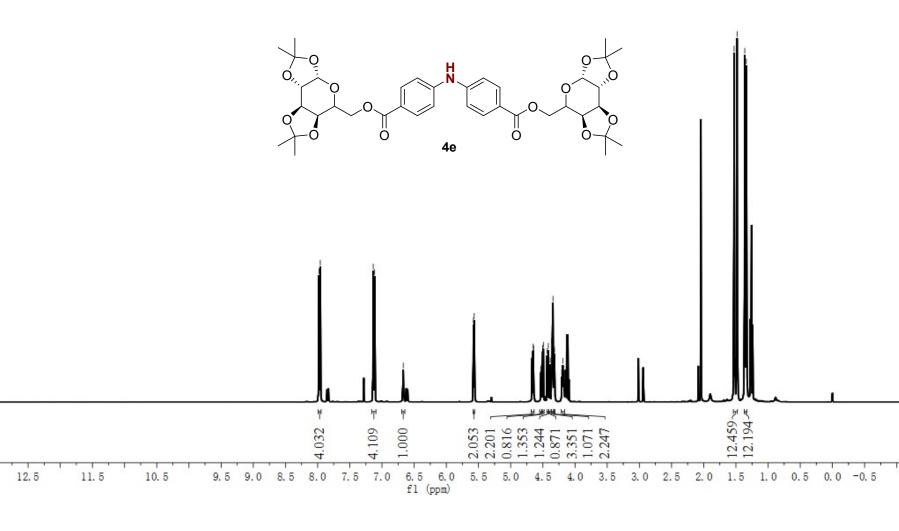
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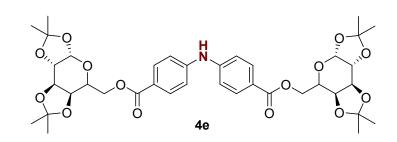


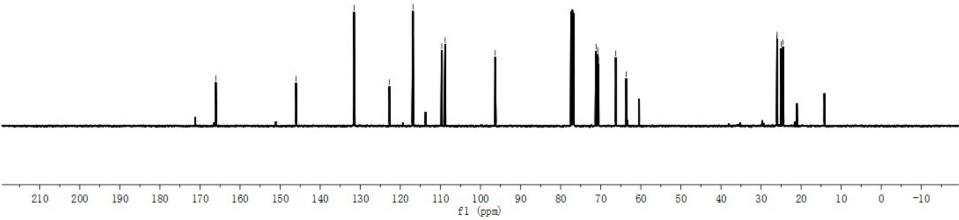


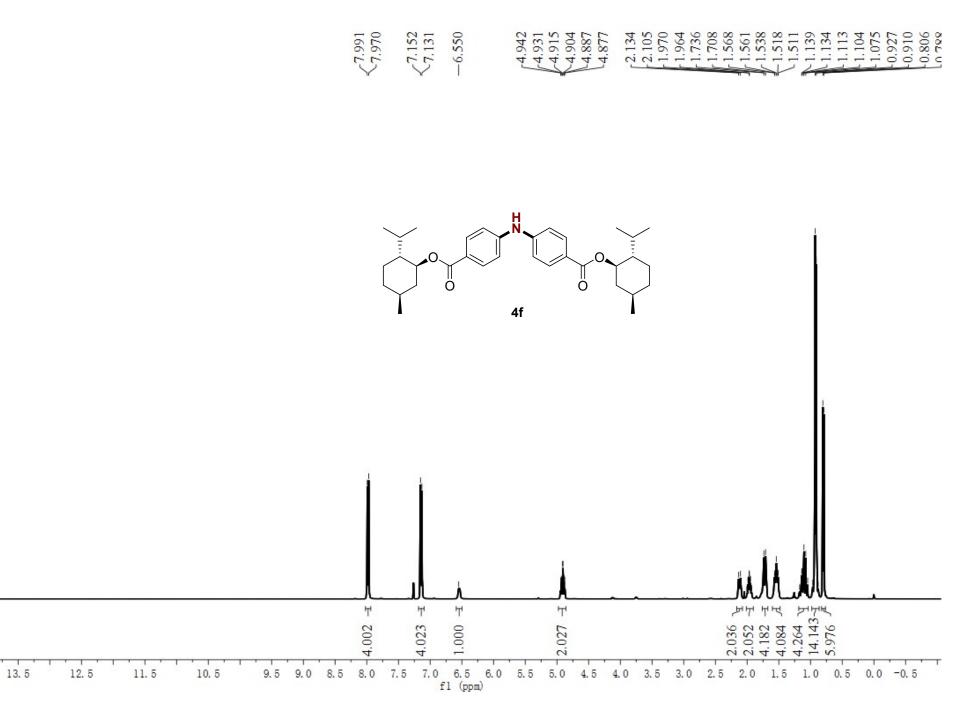


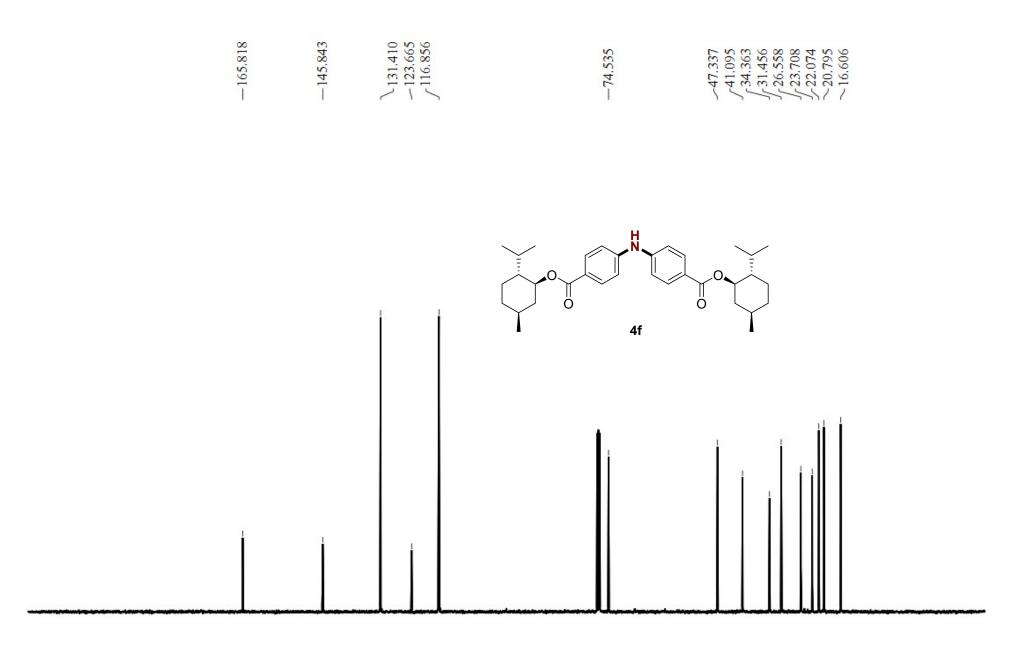
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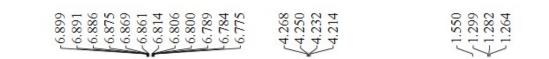


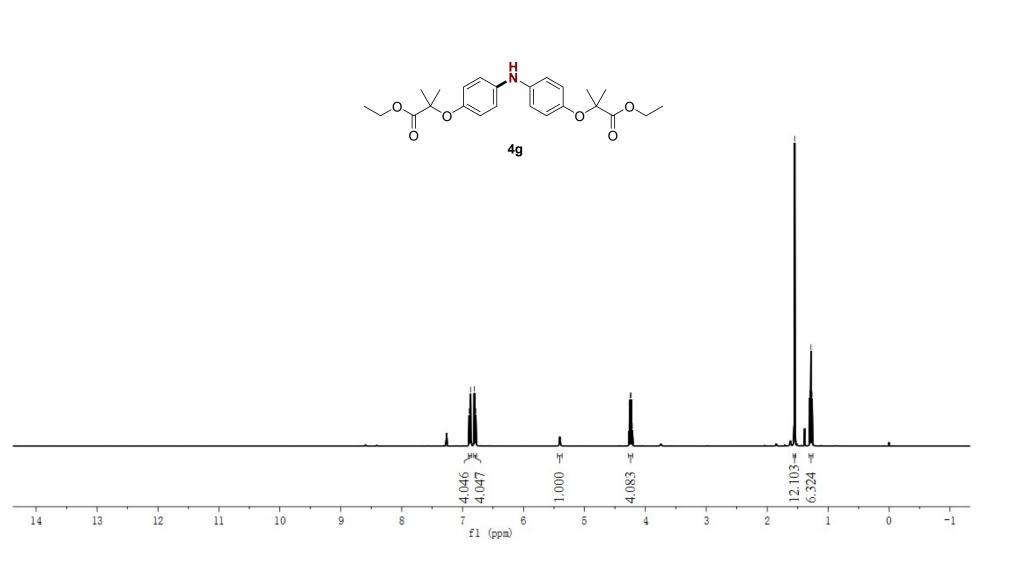


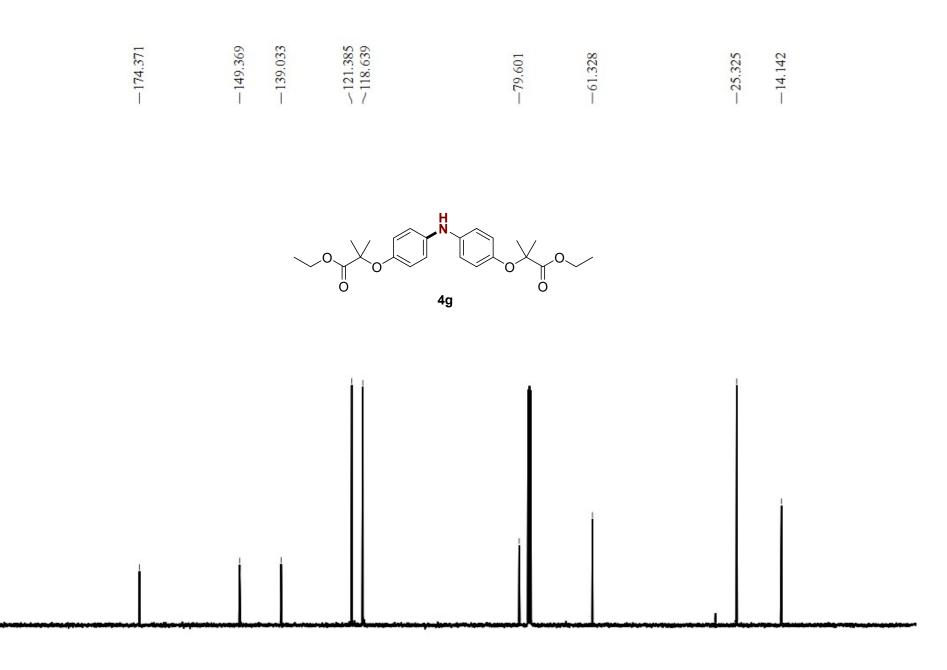




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