

# Supporting Information

## Dynamic kinetic resolution of atropisomeric *N*-arylindoles *via* chiral *N*-triflyl phosphoramide catalyzed asymmetric reductive amination

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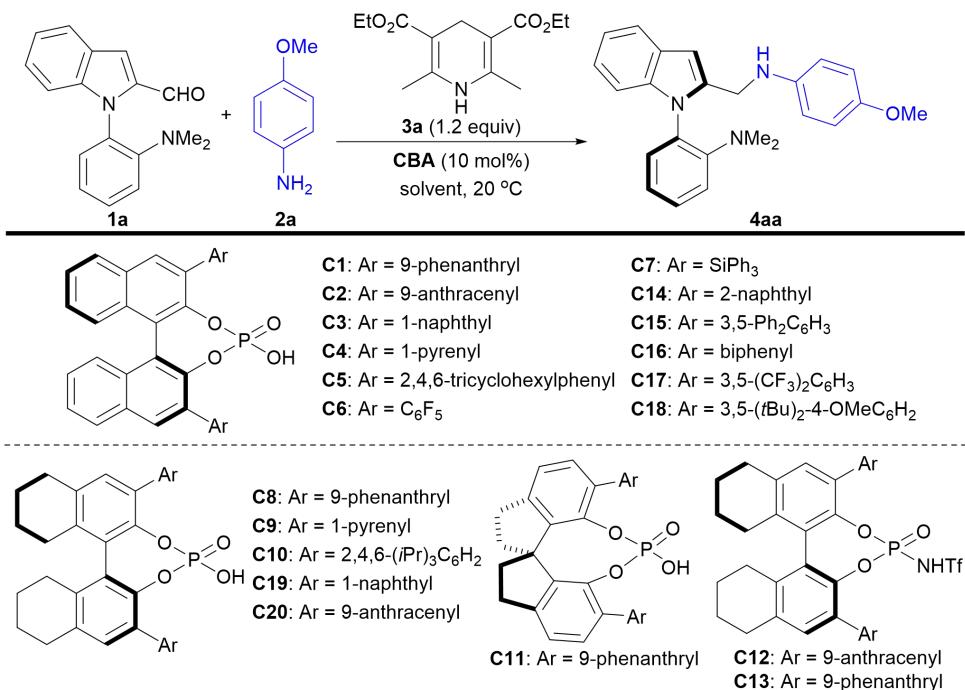
## General Information

<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AC-400 FT (400 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H NMR, 100 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C NMR and 376 MHz for <sup>19</sup>F NMR respectively) or a Bruker AVANCE NEO 600 (600 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H NMR, 150 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C NMR and 565 MHz for <sup>19</sup>F NMR respectively) using tetramethylsilane as an internal reference. Chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) and coupling constants ( $J$ ) were expressed in ppm and Hz, respectively. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a LC-TOF spectrometer (Micromass). ESI-HRMS data were acquired using a Thermo LTQ Orbitrap XL Instrument equipped with an ESI source and controlled by Xcalibur software. High pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC) analyses were performed on a Thermo Scientific UltiMate 3000 instrument equipped with an isostatic pump, using a chiral stationary phase column (Daicel Co. CHIRALPAK). The chiral HPLC methods were calibrated with the corresponding racemic mixtures. Optical Rotation was measured on an Anton Paar MCP 100/150 polarimeter.

Chemicals were purchased from the Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Co., Adamas, Acros, Alfa Aesar, and TCI, and used as received. Catalysts **C1-C3**, **C14** and **C17** were prepared according to the literatures.<sup>1</sup> Other Catalysts were purchased from Daicel Chiral Technologies (China) CO., LTD. and used directly. Hantzsch esters **3** were prepared in accordance with the previously described procedure.<sup>2</sup>

## Screening of Catalysts and Condition Optimization

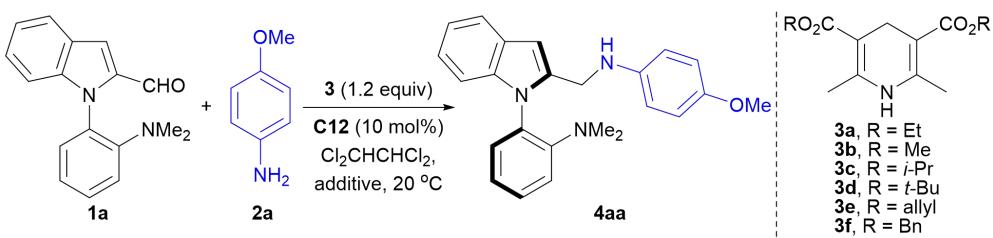
**Table S1. Screening of catalysts and solvents.<sup>a</sup>**



entry	<b>CBA</b>	solvent	yield <sup>b</sup> [%]	ee <sup>c</sup> [%]
1	<b>C1</b>	DCM	90	34
2	<b>C2</b>	DCM	90	37
3	<b>C3</b>	DCM	92	25
4	<b>C4</b>	DCM	85	40
5	<b>C5</b>	DCM	87	5
6	<b>C6</b>	DCM	90	32
7	<b>C7</b>	DCM	81	-4
8	<b>C8</b>	DCM	89	55
9	<b>C9</b>	DCM	85	52
10	<b>C10</b>	DCM	86	35
11	<b>C11</b>	DCM	88	2
<b>12</b>	<b>C12</b>	DCM	92	<b>71</b>
13	<b>C13</b>	DCM	90	60
14	<b>C14</b>	DCM	92	7
15	<b>C15</b>	DCM	86	12
16	<b>C16</b>	DCM	88	0
17	<b>C17</b>	DCM	91	4
18	<b>C18</b>	DCM	87	4
19	<b>C19</b>	DCM	92	4
20	<b>C20</b>	DCM	92	55
21	<b>C12</b>	<i>n</i> -hexane	76	48
22	<b>C12</b>	EtOH	84	51
23	<b>C12</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	88	42
24	<b>C12</b>	THF	78	68
25	<b>C12</b>	EtOAc	80	60
26	<b>C12</b>	toluene	82	48
27	<b>C12</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	85	66
28	<b>C12</b>	PhCl	85	55
29	<b>C12</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	90	65
30	<b>C12</b>	DCE	91	73
31	<b>C12</b>	CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	88	56
<b>32</b>	<b>C12</b>	<b>Cl<sub>2</sub>CHCHCl<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>94</b>	<b>80</b>

<sup>a</sup>Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were carried out with 1-(2-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1a** (13.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), 4-methoxyaniline **2a** (7.3 mg, 0.06 mmol), Hantzsch ester **3a** (0.06 mmol), **CBA** (10 mol%) and solvent (1.0 mL) at 20 °C in a sealed tube for 4 h. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup>Determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis.

**Table S2. Screening of Hantzsch esters 3, additive, temperatures *et al.*<sup>a</sup>**

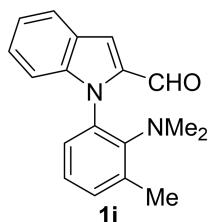


entry	3	additive	yield <sup>b</sup> [%]	ee <sup>c</sup> [%]
1	<b>3a</b>	none	94	80
2	<b>3b</b>	none	92	79
3	<b>3c</b>	none	92	83
4	<b>3d</b>	none	94	<b>87</b>
5	<b>3e</b>	none	90	78
6	<b>3f</b>	none	91	82
7	<b>3d</b>	4Å MS (50 mg)	<b>94</b>	<b>89</b>
8	<b>3d</b>	5Å MS (50 mg)	94	87
9	<b>3d</b>	3Å MS (50 mg)	92	86
10	<b>3d</b>	MgSO <sub>4</sub> (50 mg)	91	88
11	<b>3d</b>	4Å MS (150 mg)	90	87
12 <sup>d</sup>	<b>3d</b>	4Å MS (50 mg)	85	86

<sup>a</sup>Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were carried out with **1a** (13.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), 4-methoxyaniline **2a** (7.3 mg, 0.06 mmol), Hantzsch ester **3** (0.06 mmol), **C12** (10 mol%) and Cl<sub>2</sub>CHCHCl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) at 20 °C in a sealed tube for 4 h. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup>Determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis. <sup>d</sup> The reaction was run at 0 °C for 8 h.

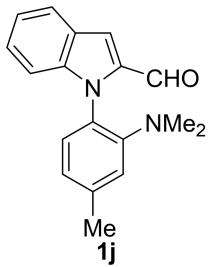
### Preparation and Analytic Data of 1

1-(2-(Dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehydes **1** were prepared in accordance with literature methods.<sup>3</sup> The new compounds were characterized in this report.

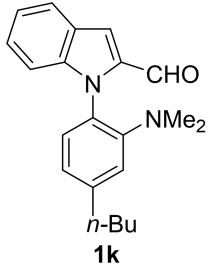


1-(2-(Dimethylamino)-3-methylphenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1i** was obtained as a brown solid. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 83-84 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.72 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.29 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.08 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 182.1, 148.6, 141.0, 136.7, 132.8, 132.8,

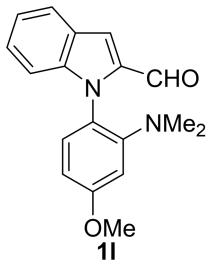
132.0, 127.3, 126.7, 126.6, 123.9, 123.1, 121.5, 113.4, 111.8, 42.1, 19.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 279.1492, found 279.1486.



1-(2-(Dimethylamino)-4-methylphenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1j** was obtained as a brown solid. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 75-76 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.55 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 1H), 6.96-6.88 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 182.6, 149.0, 139.2, 138.9, 135.7, 128.8, 126.9, 126.4, 125.7, 123.1, 122.6, 121.6, 119.8, 111.3, 110.7, 42.0, 21.7; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 279.1492, found 279.1486.

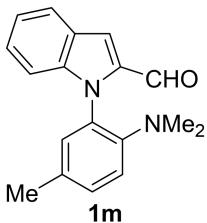


1-(4-Butyl-2-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1k** was obtained as a brown solid. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 93-94 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.54 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 1H), 6.99-6.86 (m, 2H), 2.68 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.28 (s, 6H), 1.72-1.64 (m, 2H), 1.48-1.38 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 181.7, 147.9, 143.2, 137.7, 134.6, 127.7, 125.9, 125.2, 124.7, 122.0, 120.9, 120.5, 118.0, 110.3, 109.1, 40.9, 34.8, 32.5, 21.5, 13.0; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 321.1961, found 321.1953.



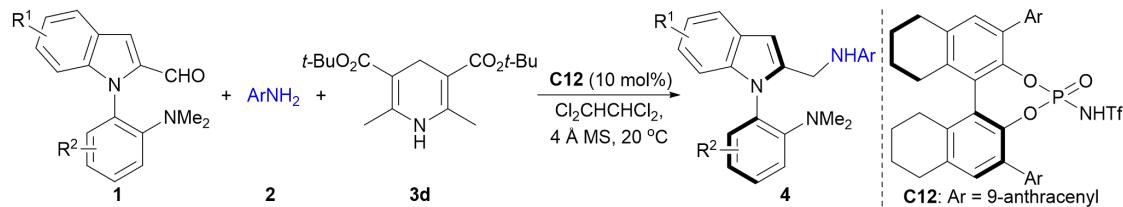
1-(2-(Dimethylamino)-4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1l** was obtained as a brown solid. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 70-71 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600

MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.58 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 1H), 6.69-6.56 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 182.7, 160.2, 150.6, 139.2, 135.7, 130.1, 126.8, 126.4, 123.1, 121.5, 121.1, 111.4, 110.9, 105.8, 105.5, 55.5, 41.9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 295.1441, found 295.1433.



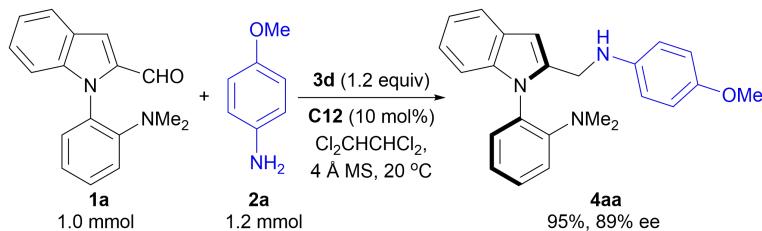
1-(2-(Dimethylamino)-5-methylphenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1m** was obtained as a brown solid. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 85-86 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.54 (s, 1H), 7.79-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.13 (m, 3H), 7.06-6.99 (m, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 182.5, 146.8, 138.7, 135.7, 131.9, 129.8, 129.3, 128.4, 127.0, 126.3, 123.1, 121.6, 119.2, 111.3, 110.5, 42.2, 20.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 279.1492, found 279.1485.

### General Procedure for the Synthesis of Atropisomeric *N*-Arylindoles via Catalytic Asymmetric Reductive Amination



To a flame dried sealed tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar were added *N*-arylindole aldehydes **1** (0.10 mmol), chiral *N*-triflyl phosphoramide **C12** (8.4 mg, 0.010 mmol), Hantzsch ester **3d** (37.1 mg, 0.12 mmol), 4 Å MS (100 mg), Cl<sub>2</sub>CHCHCl<sub>2</sub> (2.0 mL) and aromatic amines **2** (0.12 mmol) successively. The resulting mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 4 h, and directly charged onto silica gel. Products **4** were isolated using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20:1 to 10:1) as eluent.

### Procedure for the Scale-up Experiment



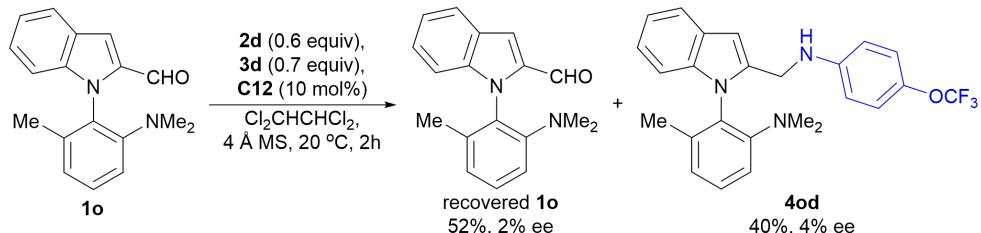
To a flame dried sealed tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar were added 1-(2-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indole-2-carbaldehyde **1a** (1.0 mmol), chiral *N*-triflyl phosphoramide **C12** (83.9 mg, 0.10 mmol), Hantzsch ester **3d** (371.0 mg, 1.2 mmol), 4 Å MS (1.0 g), Cl<sub>2</sub>CHCHCl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and 4-methoxyaniline **2a** (147.7 mg, 1.2 mmol) successively. The resulting mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 4 h, and directly charged onto silica gel. Product **4aa** was isolated using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20:1 to 10:1) as eluent.

#### Procedure for the Transformation of Product **4aa**



To a solution of **4aa** (37.1 mg, 0.10 mmol, 89% ee) and NEt<sub>3</sub> (20.2 mg, 27.8 uL, 0.20 mmol) in DCM (1.0 mL) was added 4-toluene sulfonyl chloride (28.6 mg, 0.15 mmol) at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, and directly charged onto silica gel, eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1) to afford product **5** (48.8 mg, 93%, 88% ee).

#### Procedure for the Kinetic Resolution



To a flame dried sealed tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar were added chiral *N*-triflyl phosphoramide **C12** (8.4 mg, 0.01 mmol), **1o** (27.8 mg, 0.10 mmol), Hantzsch ester **3d** (21.6 mg, 0.07 mmol), 4 Å MS (100 mg), Cl<sub>2</sub>CHCHCl<sub>2</sub> (2.0 mL) and 4-(trifluoromethoxy)aniline **2d** (10.6 mg, 0.06 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 2 h, and directly charged onto silica gel. Product **4od** (17.6 mg, 40%, 4% ee) and recovered **1o** (14.5 mg, 52%, 2% ee) were isolated using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1 to 5:1) as eluent respectively.

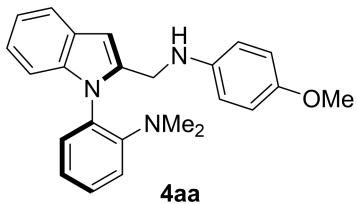
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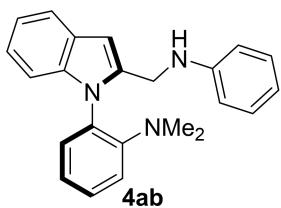
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### Analytic Data for the Products

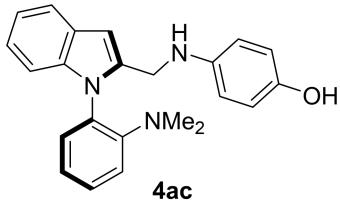


2-(2-((4-Methoxyphenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4aa** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 94% yield (34.9 mg) and 89% ee.  $R_f = 0.20$  (petroleum ether/dichloromethane = 1:2). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak AS, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 8.00 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 8.86 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -30.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.58–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.20–7.16 (m, 1H), 7.12–7.05 (m, 4H), 7.04–6.99 (m, 1H), 6.74–6.68 (m, 2H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.54–6.49 (m, 2H), 4.23 (dd,  $J = 22.4$ , 10.4 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (s, br., 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  152.3, 150.3, 142.2, 139.5, 138.2, 130.8, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 121.8, 121.6, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 114.9, 114.7, 110.4, 101.8, 55.8, 42.5, 41.9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $M-\text{H}$ )<sup>+</sup> 370.1925, found 370.1971.

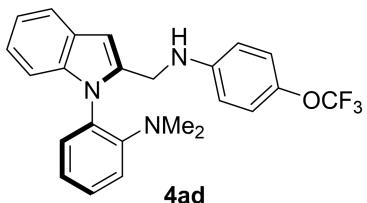


*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-(2-((phenylamino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4ab** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 92% yield (31.4 mg) and 87% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 7.70 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 9.14 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -33.3$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.52–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.32–7.20 (m, 1H), 7.13–7.08 (m, 1H), 7.07–6.96 (m, 6H), 6.96–6.90 (m,

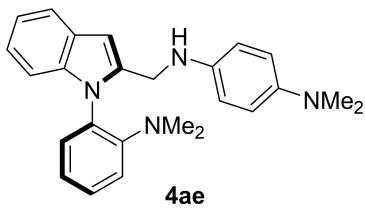
1H), 6.62-6.54 (m, 1H), 6.53-6.42 (m, 3H), 4.37-3.96 (m, 3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{NH}$ ), 2.33 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.3, 148.0, 139.2, 138.3, 130.8, 129.4, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 121.8, 121.6, 120.3, 120.2, 118.7, 117.6, 113.2, 110.4, 101.8, 42.5, 40.9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_3$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  340.1819, found 340.1853.



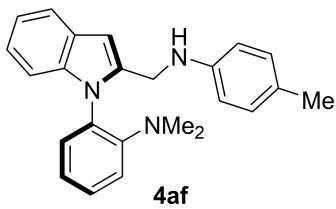
**4-(((1-(2-(Dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)methyl)amino)phenol **4ac**** was obtained as a brown oil in 95% yield (33.9 mg) and 86% ee.  $R_f = 0.20$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:2). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak AS, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 26.37 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 32.07 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -37.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.59-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.20-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.05 (m, 4H), 7.05-7.00 (m, 1H), 6.57 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.47 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.20 (s, 2H), 2.40 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 148.5, 141.4, 139.1, 138.2, 130.8, 129.4, 128.6, 128.2, 121.8, 121.6, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 116.2, 115.5, 110.4, 102.1, 42.4, 42.2; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  356.1768, found 356.1753.



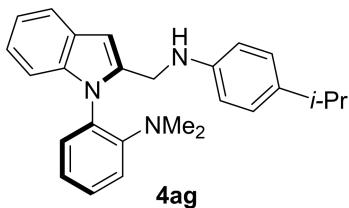
**N,N-Dimethyl-2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4ad**** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 94% yield (40.0 mg) and 89% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 5.10 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.76 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -38.5$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.64-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.19 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.06 (m, 4H), 7.04 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.40 (s, br, 1H), 4.29 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 146.7, 140.5 (q,  $J = 2.0$  Hz), 138.6, 138.3, 130.8, 129.5, 128.7, 128.2, 122.3, 122.0, 121.7, 120.8 (q,  $J = 253.5$  Hz), 120.3, 120.2, 118.8, 113.4, 110.4, 102.0, 42.5, 41.1;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.36; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  424.1642, found 424.1632.



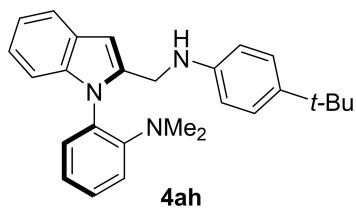
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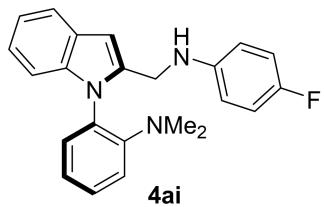
*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-((*p*-tolylamino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-ylaniline **4af** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 92% yield (32.7 mg) and 85% ee.  $R_f$  = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$  = 254 nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 5.48 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.54 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = -31.0 (c = 0.60, EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.59-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.05 (m, 4H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 6.53-6.45 (m, 2H), 4.34-4.19 (m, 2H), 4.15 (s, br, 1H), 2.42 (s, 6H), 2.20 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  150.3, 145.7, 139.4, 138.2, 130.8, 129.7, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 126.8, 121.7, 121.5, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 113.4, 110.3, 101.8, 42.4, 41.2, 20.5; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>3</sub> (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 354.1976, found 354.1961.



2-(2-(((4-Isopropylphenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4ag** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 93% yield (35.6 mg) and 87% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 5.58 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.95 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -29.7$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.60-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.05 (m, 4H), 7.04-7.01 (m, 1H), 7.00-6.97 (m, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 6.55-6.49 (m, 2H), 4.32-4.18 (m, 2H), 2.83-2.70 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 6H), 1.18 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.3, 146.0, 139.5, 138.3, 138.1, 130.8, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 127.1, 121.7, 121.5, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 113.3, 110.4, 101.8, 42.4, 41.2, 33.2, 24.3; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_3$  ( $M-\text{H}$ )<sup>-</sup> 382.2289, found 382.2275.

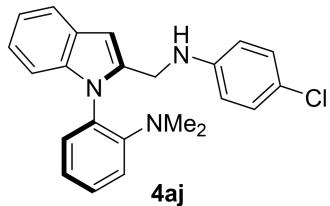


2-(2-(((4-(*Tert*-Butyl)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4ah** was obtained as a colourless oil in 94% yield (37.3 mg) and 89% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 5.43 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.72 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -39.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.60-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.05 (m, 6H), 7.05-6.98 (m, 1H), 6.62-6.57 (m, 1H), 6.56-6.48 (m, 2H), 4.44-4.04 (m, 3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{NH}$ ), 2.42 (s, 6H), 1.25 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.3, 145.6, 140.3, 139.5, 138.3, 130.8, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 126.0, 121.7, 121.5, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 112.9, 110.4, 101.8, 42.4, 41.1, 33.9, 31.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_3$  ( $M-\text{H}$ )<sup>-</sup> 396.2445, found 396.2431.

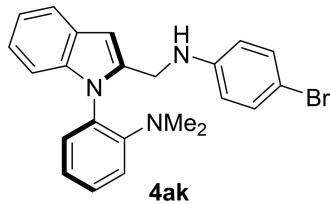


2-(2-(((4-Fluorophenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4ai** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 90% yield (32.3 mg) and 89% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 7.45 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 9.55 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -40.2$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$

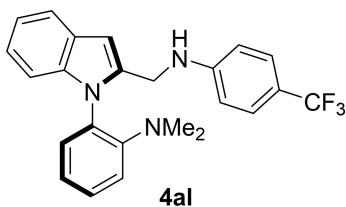
7.60-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.06 (m, 4H), 7.04 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.86-6.77 (m, 2H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.52-6.43 (m, 2H), 4.41-3.96 (m, 3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{NH}$ ), 2.42 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  155.9 (d,  $^1J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 233.7$  Hz), 150.2, 144.2 (d,  $^4J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 1.9$  Hz), 139.0, 138.2, 130.8, 129.4, 128.6, 128.2, 121.9, 121.6, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 115.6 (d,  $^2J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 22.2$  Hz), 114.1 (d,  $^3J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 7.4$  Hz), 110.3, 101.9, 42.4, 41.6;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -127.83; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{FN}_3$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  358.1725, found 358.1713.



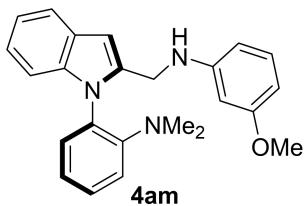
**2-(2-(((4-Chlorophenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4aj** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 88% yield (33.0 mg) and 86% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 6.27 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 8.09 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -37.2$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.61-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 1H), 7.15-6.96 (m, 7H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.46 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.31 (s, br., 1H), 4.27 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 146.5, 138.7, 138.3, 130.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.6, 128.2, 122.1, 121.9, 121.7, 120.3, 120.2, 118.7, 114.3, 110.3, 101.9, 42.5, 41.1; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{ClN}_3$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  374.1429, found 374.1463.**



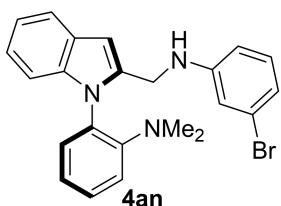
**2-(2-(((4-Bromophenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4ak** was obtained as a yellow solid in 88% yield (36.9 mg) and 84% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 76-77 °C. The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak AS-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 6.66 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 7.46 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -38.3$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 3H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 4H), 7.04 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.42 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.53-3.94 (m, 3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{NH}$ ), 2.41 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 146.9, 138.6, 138.3, 131.8, 130.8, 129.5, 128.6, 128.2, 121.9, 121.7, 120.3, 120.2, 118.7, 114.8, 110.3, 109.1, 101.9, 42.5, 40.9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrN}_3$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  418.0924, found 418.0914.**



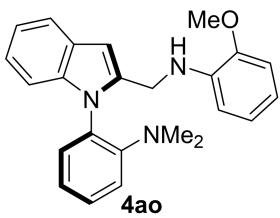
*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-((4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)amino)methyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4al** was obtained as a yellow solid in 86% yield (35.2 mg) and 83% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 53-54 °C. The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak AD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 8.65 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 14.18 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -37.7$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.63-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.17-6.96 (m, 5H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 6.54 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.66 (s, br., 1H), 4.44-4.13 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.4, 150.2, 138.4, 138.2, 130.8, 129.5, 128.6, 128.1, 126.5 (q,  $J = 3.8$  Hz), 125.0 (q,  $J = 268.4$  Hz), 122.1, 121.8, 120.3, 118.9 (q,  $J = 32.4$  Hz), 118.8, 112.2, 111.8, 110.3, 102.0, 42.5, 40.5;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -60.91; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ )<sup>-</sup> 408.1693, found 408.1649.



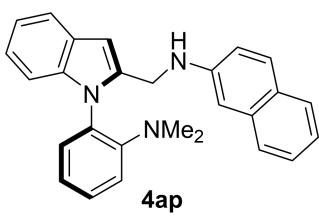
2-((3-methoxyphenyl)amino)methyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4am** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 90% yield (33.4 mg) and 80% ee.  $R_f = 0.30$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 9.13 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 10.92 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -40.2$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.59-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.19 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.05 (m, 4H), 7.05-6.96 (m, 2H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 6.24 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.15 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.38 (s, br., 1H), 4.28 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  160.8, 150.3, 149.3, 139.1, 138.3, 130.8, 129.9, 129.4, 128.6, 128.2, 121.8, 121.6, 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 110.3, 106.5, 102.5, 101.8, 99.4, 55.1, 42.4, 40.9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ )<sup>-</sup> 370.1925, found 370.2021.



2-(2-((3-Bromophenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4an** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 86% yield (36.0 mg) and 79% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 8.71 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 11.45 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -59.5$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.60-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.20 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.01 (m, 5H), 6.94 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.69 (t,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.47 (dd,  $J = 8.4, 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.43 (s, br., 1H), 4.29 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 149.2, 138.5, 138.3, 130.8, 130.4, 129.5, 128.7, 128.2, 123.3, 121.9, 121.8, 120.3, 120.2, 120.2, 118.8, 115.5, 112.0, 110.3, 101.8, 42.5, 40.8; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrN}_3$  ( $M-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  418.0924, found 417.0880.

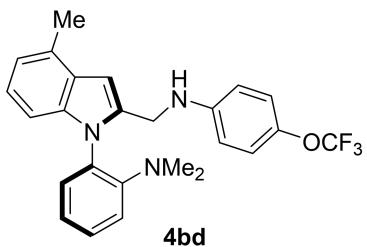


2-(2-((2-Methoxyphenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4ao** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 88% yield (32.7 mg) and 65% ee.  $R_f = 0.30$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldpak AD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 6.63 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 7.51 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -24.8$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.59-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.05 (m, 4H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 1H), 6.82-6.76 (m, 1H), 6.74 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.68-6.56 (m, 3H), 4.71 (s, br., 1H), 4.40 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.3, 147.1, 139.4, 138.0, 137.8, 130.7, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 121.6, 121.3, 121.2, 120.1, 120.0, 118.6, 116.8, 110.5, 110.3, 109.5, 101.4, 55.4, 42.3, 40.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $M-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  370.1925, found 370.1915.

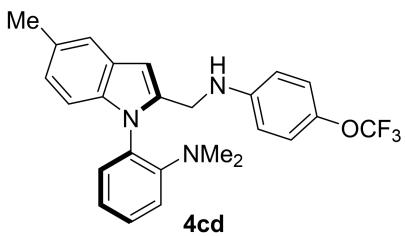


*N*-((1-(2-(Dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)methyl)naphthalen-2-amine **4ap** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 89% yield (34.8 mg) and 72% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 8.16 min,

$t_r$  (minor) = 10.39 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -33.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 4H), 7.06-7.00 (m, 1H), 6.84-6.74 (m, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 4.53 (s, br., 1H), 4.42-4.30 (m, 2H), 2.45 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.3, 145.6, 138.9, 138.3, 135.2, 130.9, 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 127.7, 127.7, 126.3, 126.0, 122.1, 121.9, 121.7, 120.3, 120.2, 118.8, 118.1, 110.4, 105.1, 102.0, 42.6, 41.0; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_3$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  390.1976, found 390.1964.

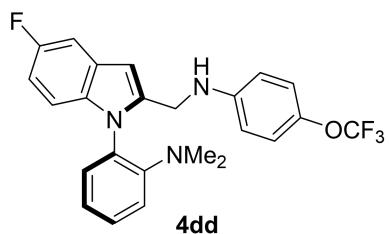


*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-((4-methyl-2-(((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4bd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 92% yield (40.4 mg) and 87% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 6.04 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 8.49 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -26.8$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.40-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.18 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd,  $J = 8.4, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.00 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.94-6.88 (m, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.42 (s, br., 1H), 4.27 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 146.7, 140.5, 138.1, 138.0, 130.8, 129.7, 129.4, 128.9, 128.0, 122.3, 122.1, 121.7, 120.8 (q,  $J = 253.7$  Hz), 120.5, 118.7, 113.4, 108.0, 100.5, 42.5, 41.2, 18.7;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.37; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  438.1799, found 438.1789.

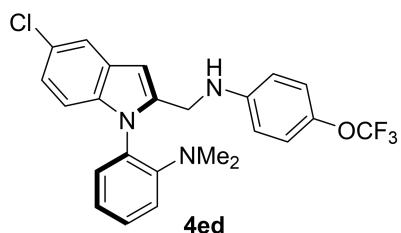


*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-((5-methyl-2-(((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4cd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 94% yield (41.3 mg) and 85% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 5.20 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.08 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -42.8$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.42-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.00-6.88 (m, 4H), 6.50 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 4.43 (s, br., 1H),

4.26 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.2, 146.7, 140.5, 138.6, 136.7, 130.7, 129.5, 129.3, 128.8, 128.4, 123.5, 122.3, 121.7, 120.8 (q,  $J = 253.9$  Hz), 120.0, 118.7, 113.4, 110.0, 101.5, 42.5, 41.2, 21.4;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.38; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O} (\text{M}-\text{H})^-$  438.1799, found 438.1789.

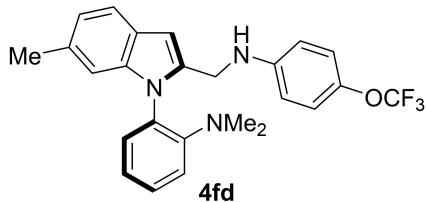


2-(5-Fluoro-2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N*, *N*-dimethylaniline **4dd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 95% yield (42.1 mg) and 89% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (05:95), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 7.33 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 7.95 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -26.5$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.39 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.01-6.93 (m, 3H), 6.89-6.82 (m, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.29 (d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.3 (d,  ${}^1J_{\text{C-F}} = 233.1$  Hz), 150.1, 146.5, 140.6, 140.3, 134.8, 130.6, 129.6, 128.4, 128.3 (d,  ${}^3J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$  Hz), 122.3, 121.7, 120.7 (q,  $J = 256.7$  Hz), 118.8, 113.4, 110.9 (d,  ${}^3J_{\text{C-F}} = 9.6$  Hz), 110.1 (d,  ${}^2J_{\text{C-F}} = 26.0$  Hz), 105.1 (d,  ${}^2J_{\text{C-F}} = 23.4$  Hz), 101.8 (d,  ${}^4J_{\text{C-F}} = 4.5$  Hz), 42.4, 41.1;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.40, -124.41; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_4\text{N}_3\text{O} (\text{M}-\text{H})^-$  442.1548, found 442.1536.

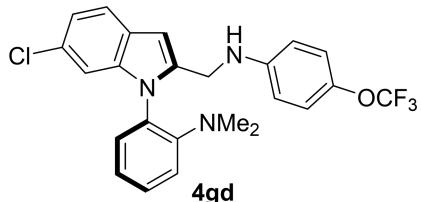


2-(5-Chloro-2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N*, *N*-dimethylaniline **4ed** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 89% yield (40.9 mg) and 83% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak IC, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 5.86 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.58 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -51.3$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.52 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.16 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd,  $J = 8.4, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.02 (m, 2H), 7.01-6.94 (m, 3H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, br., 1H), 4.29 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$

NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 150.1, 146.5, 140.6, 140.1, 136.7, 130.5, 129.7, 129.1, 128.2, 125.9, 122.3, 122.2, 121.8, 120.7 (q, *J* = 253.8 Hz), 119.7, 118.9, 113.3, 111.3, 101.4, 42.4, 41.1; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -58.37; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 458.1252, found 458.1349.

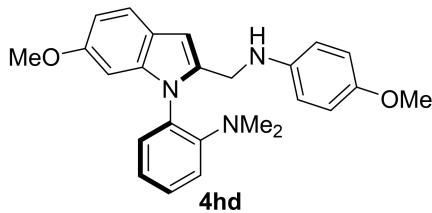


*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-((6-methyl-2-(((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4fd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 94% yield (41.3 mg) and 89% ee. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, t<sub>r</sub> (major) = 5.22 min, t<sub>r</sub> (minor) = 6.14 min]. [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = -41.3 (c = 0.60, EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.20-7.16 (m, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.02 (m, 1H), 6.99-6.91 (m, 3H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 6H), 2.38 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 150.2, 146.7, 140.5, 138.7, 137.9, 131.9, 130.8, 129.4, 128.7, 126.0, 122.3, 122.0, 121.6, 119.9 (q, *J* = 253.2 Hz), 119.8, 118.7, 113.4, 110.2, 101.8, 42.5, 41.1, 21.8; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -58.39; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>23</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 438.1799, found 438.1788.

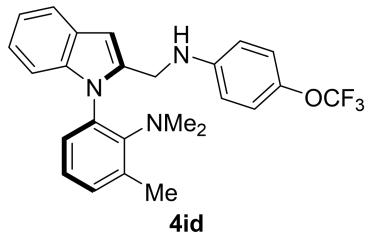


2-(6-Chloro-2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4gd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 90% yield (41.3 mg) and 83% ee. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak IC, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, t<sub>r</sub> (major) = 5.87 min, t<sub>r</sub> (minor) = 6.44 min]. [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = -49.5 (c = 0.60, EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.01 (m, 3H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.38 (s, br., 1H), 4.28 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 150.1, 146.5, 140.6, 139.5, 138.7, 130.5, 129.8, 128.0, 127.9, 126.7, 122.3, 121.9, 121.1, 120.9, 120.7 (q, *J* = 253.8 Hz), 118.9, 113.4, 110.3, 101.9, 42.5,

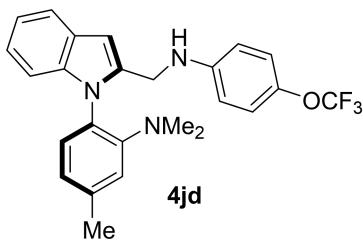
41.0;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.37; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClF}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  458.1252, found 458.1349.



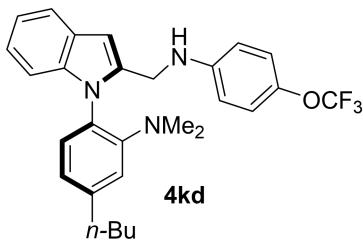
2-(6-Methoxy-2-(((4-methoxyphenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylaniline **4hd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 88% yield (35.3 mg) and 81% ee.  $R_f = 0.15$  (petroleum ether/dichloromethane = 1:2). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak IC, isopropanol/hexane (50:50), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (minor) = 6.60 min,  $t_r$  (major) = 7.72 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -44.7$  ( $c = 1.00$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.43 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.20 (dd,  $J = 7.8$ , 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 1H), 7.07-7.02 (m, 1H), 6.77 (dd,  $J = 8.4$ , 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.74-6.70 (m, 2H), 6.58-6.51 (m, 3H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 4.23-4.15 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.3, 152.3, 150.1, 138.8, 138.0, 130.7, 129.3, 128.6, 122.4, 121.5, 120.7, 118.6, 114.8, 114.8, 114.7, 109.7, 101.8, 94.0, 55.8, 55.7, 42.4; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  400.2031, found 400.2025.



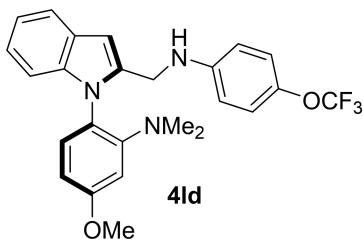
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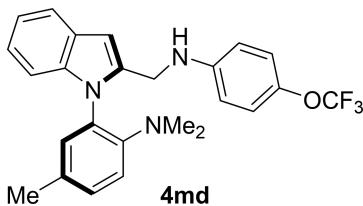
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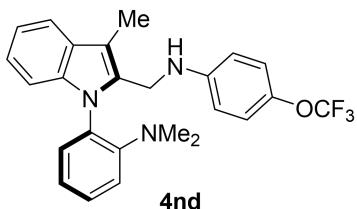
5-Butyl-*N, N*-dimethyl-2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4kd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 93% yield (44.8 mg) and 89% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak IC, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 4.97 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 5.65 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -44.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.63-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.04 (m, 4H), 6.96 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.89-6.80 (m, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.32-4.19 (m, 2H), 2.66 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 6H), 1.74-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.48-1.36 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  149.8, 146.7, 144.5, 140.5, 138.7, 138.4, 130.4, 128.1, 126.2, 122.3, 121.8, 121.7, 120.8 (q,  $J = 253.5$  Hz), 120.2, 120.1, 118.7, 113.4, 110.4, 101.8, 42.5, 41.1, 35.9, 33.6, 22.6, 14.0;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.38; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{29}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $M-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  480.2268, found 480.2254.



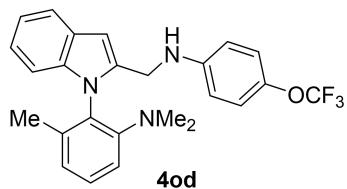
5-Methoxy-*N,N*-dimethyl-2-(2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4Id** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 90% yield (41.0 mg) and 80% ee.  $R_f = 0.30$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 8.65 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 9.95 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -34.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.57 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.03 (m, 4H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.59-6.54 (m, 2H), 6.51 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.29-4.18 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  160.3, 151.3, 146.6, 140.5, 138.8, 138.6, 131.6, 128.0, 122.3, 121.9, 121.5, 120.7 (q,  $J = 253.5$  Hz), 120.2, 120.1, 113.4, 110.4, 105.6, 105.3, 101.7, 55.5, 42.4, 41.0;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.39; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  454.1748, found 454.1735.



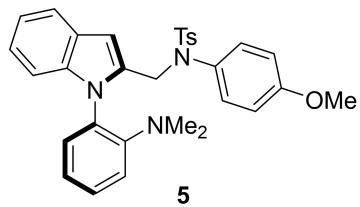
*N,N,N*, 4-Trimethyl-2-(2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4md** was obtained as a yellow solid in 94% yield (41.3 mg) and 91% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1); m.p. 73-74 °C. The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiralpak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 6.18 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 7.23 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -25.0$  ( $c = 0.60$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.18 (dd,  $J = 8.4, 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.06 (m, 3H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 6.57 (d,  $J = 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.52-6.44 (m, 2H), 4.30-4.21 (m, 2H), 2.40 (s, 6H), 2.29 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  147.8, 146.8, 140.5, 138.7, 138.4, 131.7, 131.2, 130.0, 128.9, 128.2, 122.3, 121.9, 120.8 (q,  $J = 253.5$  Hz), 120.3, 120.2, 118.8, 113.4, 110.4, 101.9, 42.8, 41.1, 20.3;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.34; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}$  ( $\text{M}-\text{H}$ ) $^-$  438.1799, found 438.1784.



*N,N*-Dimethyl-2-((3-methyl-2-(((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4nd** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 87% yield (38.2 mg) and 2% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak AD-H, isopropanol/hexane (10:90), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 4.33 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 4.95 min].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.11 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.00 (m, 2H), 6.95 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.44 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.44 (s, br., 1H), 4.32 (d,  $J = 13.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.04 (d,  $J = 13.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 6H), 2.40 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  150.4, 146.9, 140.4, 137.6, 133.8, 131.1, 129.4, 129.2, 128.8, 122.3, 122.3, 121.9, 120.7 (q,  $J = 253.7$  Hz), 119.6, 118.7, 118.6, 113.3, 110.6, 110.3, 42.7, 39.0, 9.1;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.41; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O} (\text{M}-\text{H})^-$  438.1799, found 438.1795.



*N, N-* 3-Trimethyl-2-((4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)amino)methyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)aniline **4od** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 52% yield (22.8 mg) and 2% ee.  $R_f = 0.40$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (02:98), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm].  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.54-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.07-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.91-6.85 (m, 4H), 6.84-6.78 (m, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 6.45-6.35 (m, 2H), 4.40 (s, br., 1H), 4.12 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 6H), 1.64 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  151.2, 146.7, 140.4, 139.3, 137.8, 137.7, 129.3, 128.2, 128.1, 124.0, 122.3, 122.1, 120.5, 120.0, 120.7 (q,  $J = 253.6$  Hz), 116.5, 113.2, 110.4, 102.0, 43.3, 41.0, 17.8;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.39; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O} (\text{M}-\text{H})^-$  438.1799, found 438.1795.

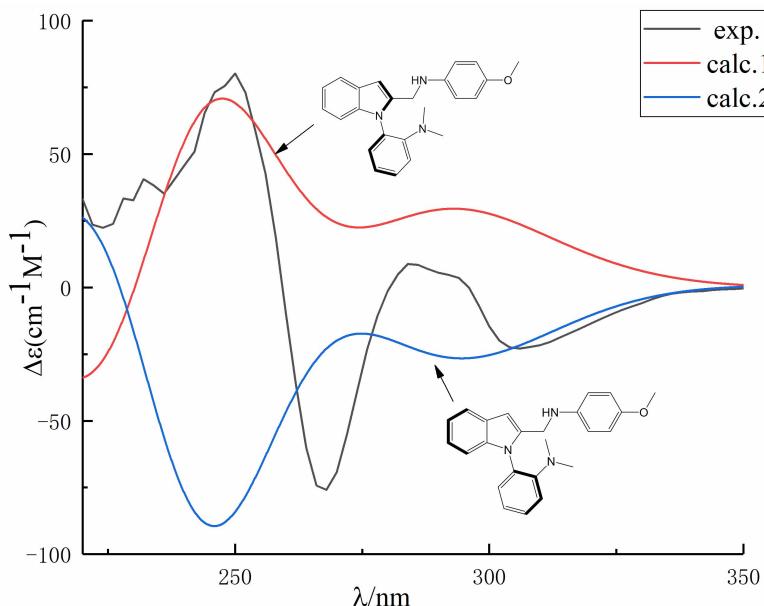


*N*-((1-(2-(Dimethylamino)phenyl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)methyl)-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzen sulfonamide **5** was obtained as a yellowish oil in 93% yield (48.8 mg) and 88% ee.  $R_f = 0.30$  (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). The ee value was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC analysis [Daicel Chiraldak OD-H, isopropanol/hexane (20:80), 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm,  $t_r$  (major) = 7.31 min,  $t_r$  (minor) = 8.40 min].  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = 117.0$  ( $c = 1.00$ , EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR

(600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.55-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.10-7.01 (m, 4H), 7.00-6.93 (m, 2H), 6.80-6.72 (m, 2H), 6.67-6.59 (m, 2H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 4.81 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.7, 149.8, 143.2, 137.8, 135.8, 135.4, 131.7, 130.5, 129.8, 129.3, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 121.8, 121.1, 120.2, 120.0, 118.6, 113.8, 110.2, 103.8, 55.3, 47.6, 41.9, 21.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 525.2092, found 525.2054.

### The Absolute Stereochemistry Discussion

In order to confirm the absolute configuration (AC) of compounds **4**, the ECD spectra were calculated by the TD-DFT method, which has been proven to be useful in predicting ECD spectra and assigning the AC of organic molecules.<sup>S1</sup> Gaussian 09 package of programs is applied for theoretical calculation.<sup>S2</sup> Geometries optimization and the Gibbs energy calculations were performed at the level of b3lyp/6-311+g(2d,p)//b3lyp/6-311++g(3df,2p). Calculations of ECD were performed based on the optimized conformations, and then the ECD spectra was obtained by Multiwfn.<sup>S3</sup> As shown in Figure S1, the simulated spectra are in good agreement with the experimental spectral data, and the *R*<sub>a</sub> configuration could be reliably assigned to compound **4aa** (sample concentration: 1.88 × 10<sup>-4</sup> mol/L in *i*-PrOH).



**Figure S1.** Experimental ECD spectra (black line) and simulated spectra (red line) proving *R*<sub>a</sub>-conformer **4aa** absolute configuration.

S1. N. Berova, L. D. Bari, G. Pescitelli, Application of electronic circular dichroism in configurational and conformational analysis of organic compounds. *Chem. Soc. Rev.*, **2007**, *36*, 914-931.

S2. M. Frisch, G. Trucks, H. Schlegel, G. Scuseria, M. Robb, J. Cheeseman, G. Scalmani, V. Barone, B. Mennucci, G. Petersson, *Gaussian, 09, Revision A.02*, Gaussian, Inc., Wallingford CT, 2009 (2015).

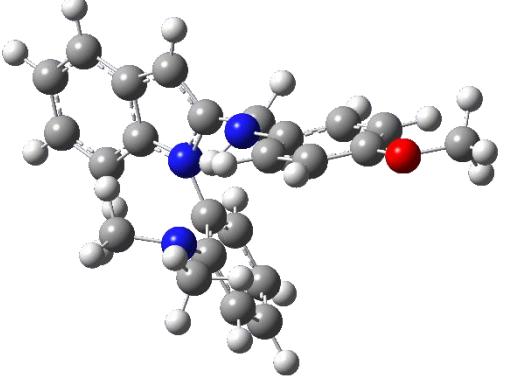
S3. T. Lu, F. Chen, Multiwfn: a multifunctional wavefunction analyzer. *J. Comput. Chem.*, **2012**, *33*, 580-592.

In order to obtain accurate ECD spectra, 9 major conformations are identified by configuration analysis and optimization. All cartesian coordinates of Gaussian optimized structures for the 9 conformations and the corresponding gibbs free energies are listed in Table S3. The Boltzmann average spectra of ECD is shown in Fig. S1. In addition, solvent corrections are carried out in the calculations.

**Table S3.** Optimized geometries labeled with Gibbs free energies (Hartree) and cartesian coordinates for the 9 conformations (named as P1~P9, P1, P3, P7 and P8 are  $S_\alpha$ -conformer of **4aa**, P2, P4, P5, P6 and P9 are  $R_\alpha$ -conformer of **4aa**).

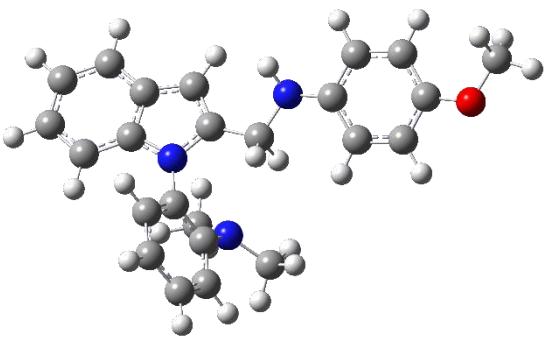
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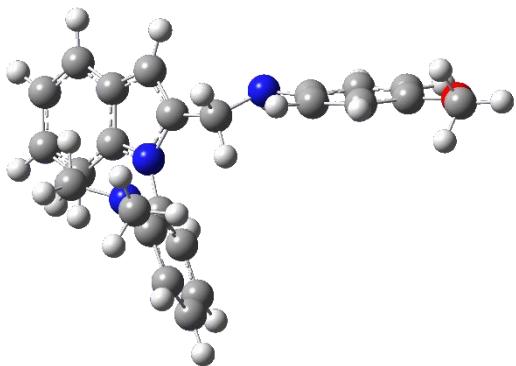
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	H	-1.2505	0.1969	2.918
	H	-2.2955	-1.5724	4.2768
	H	-3.9919	-3.3206	0.7711
	H	-3.6365	-3.3443	3.1756
	H	-2.8335	-3.5526	-1.4034
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	H	-3.4237	-2.6018	-2.7586
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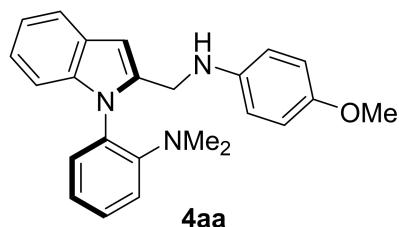
### Investigation on the Enantiomerization Barrier

The reaction was conducted at 1 mg/mL concentration in a sealed tube and heated at the specified temperature. The change in ee over time was determined by HPLC. The barrier to rotation for **4aa** was obtained by kinetic of racemization of an enantiomer.

This data was plotted as ( $\ln[ee_0/ee_t]$ ) versus time (seconds). The gradient of this graph gives the racemization constant ( $k_{\text{racemization}} = 2 \times k_{\text{enantiomerization}}$ ) at the specified temperature. The barrier to rotation,  $\Delta G^\ddagger_{\text{enantiomerization}}$ , was calculated using the following Eyring equation,  $R = \text{Gas constant} = 8.3145 \text{ J}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ,  $h = \text{Planck constant} = 6.62608 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$ ,  $k_B = \text{Boltzmann constant} = 1.38066 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ , and  $T_1 = \text{temperature racemization study was conducted at, in Kelvin.}$

$$\Delta G^\ddagger_{\text{enantiomerization}} = RT_1 \ln \frac{k_B T_1}{h k_{\text{enantiomerization}}}$$

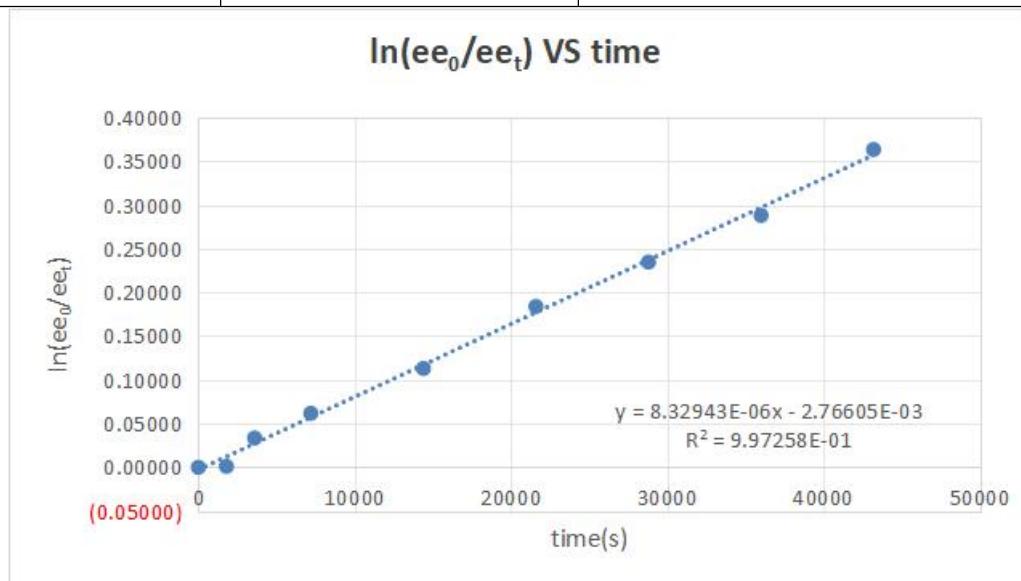
Racemization of **4aa** in *i*-PrOH at 80 °C



**Table S4. Investigation on the enantiomerization barrier of 4aa**

Time (seconds)	Enantiomeric Excess (ee)	First Order Racemization ( $\ln[ee_0/ee_t]$ )
0	91.50	0.00000
1800	91.40	0.00109
3600	88.48	0.03356

7200	86.02	0.06176
14400	81.72	0.11304
21600	76.13	0.18390
28800	72.36	0.23469
36000	68.60	0.28805
43200	63.62	0.36341



$$k_{\text{racemization}} (80 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}) = 8.32943 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

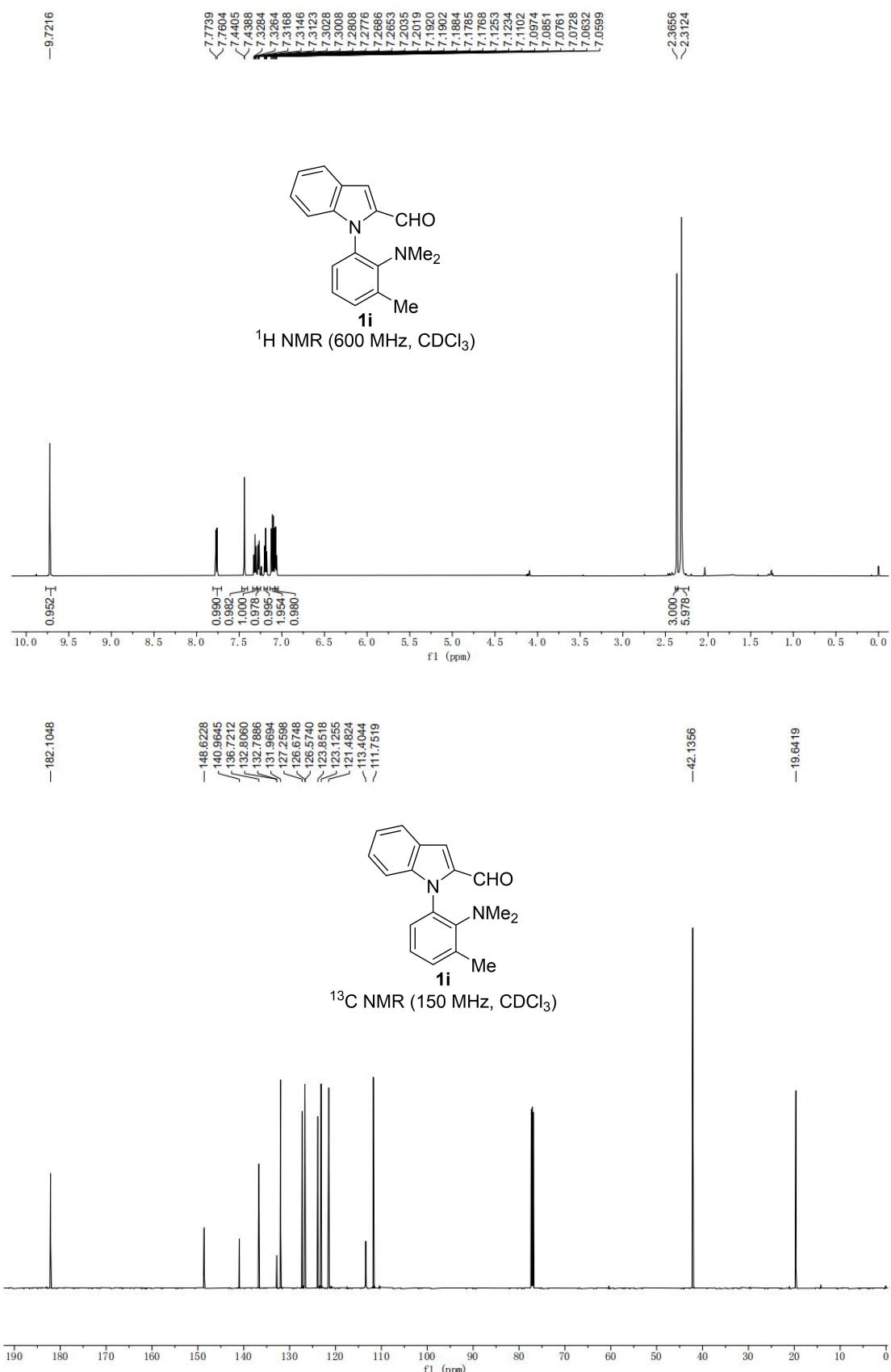
$$k_{\text{enantiomerization}} (80 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}) = 4.16472 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

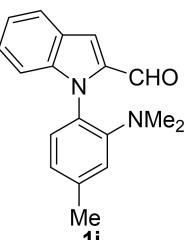
$$\Delta G^\ddagger_{\text{enantiomerization}} = 123.369 \text{ kJ/mol} = 29.486 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$k_{\text{racemization}} (25 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}) = 3.02746 \times 10^{-9} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

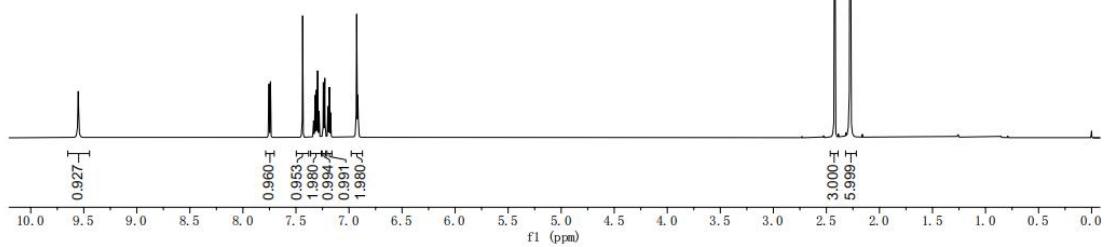
$$t_{1/2} (25 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}) = 7.26 \text{ years}$$

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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

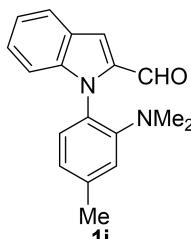


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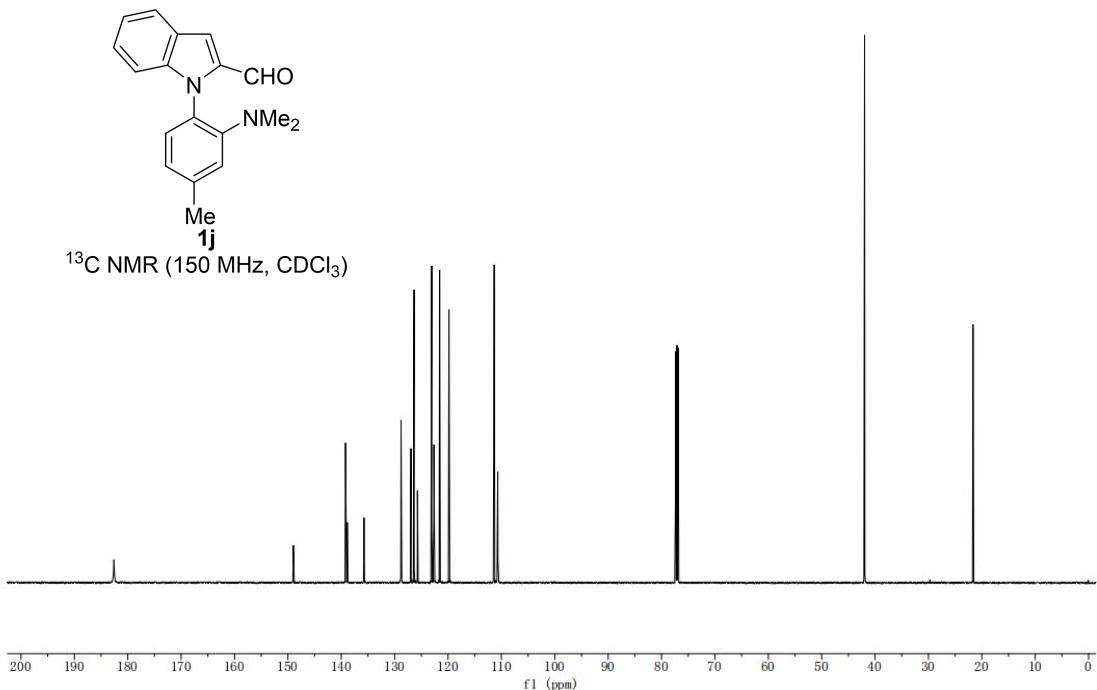
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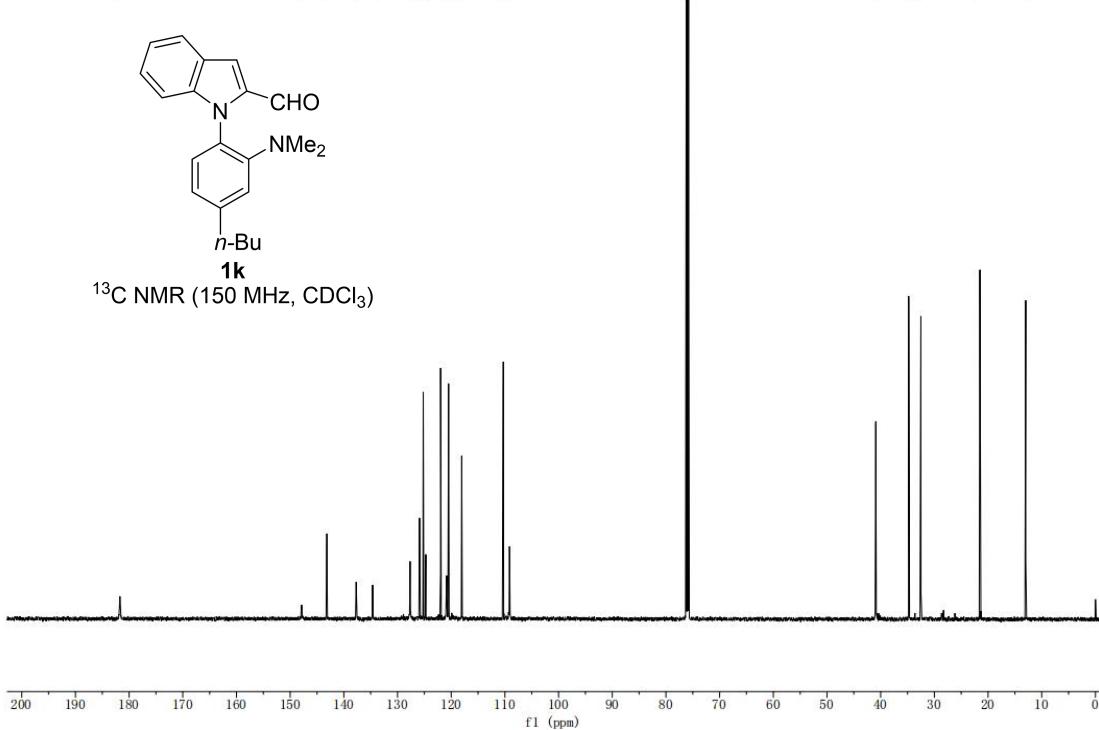
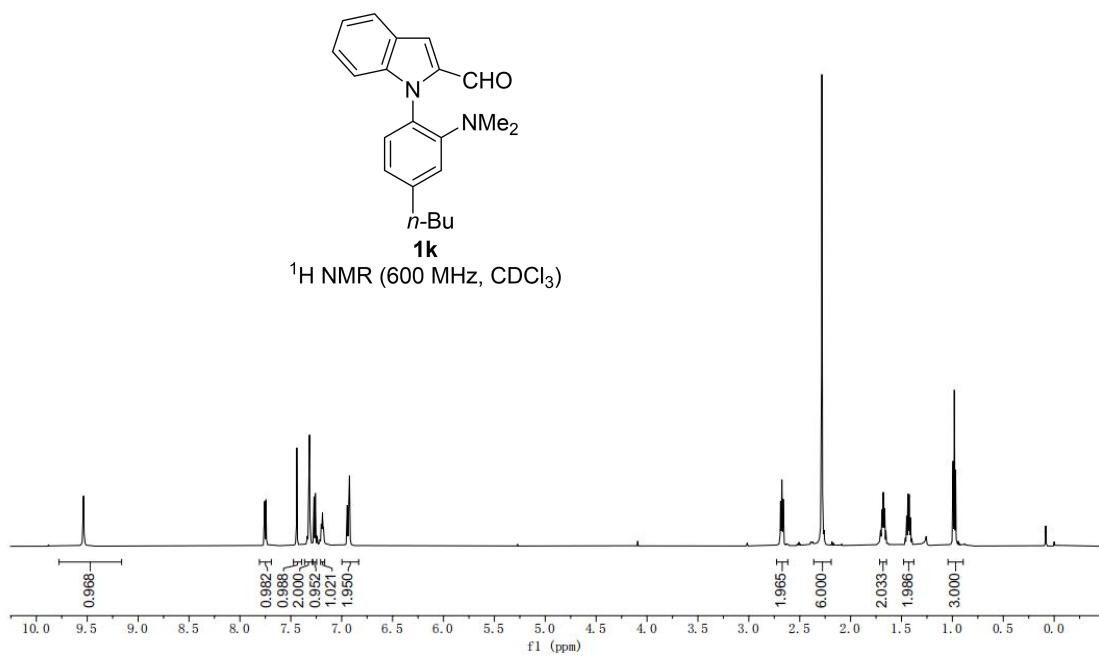
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<sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

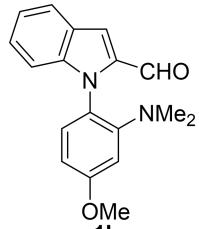




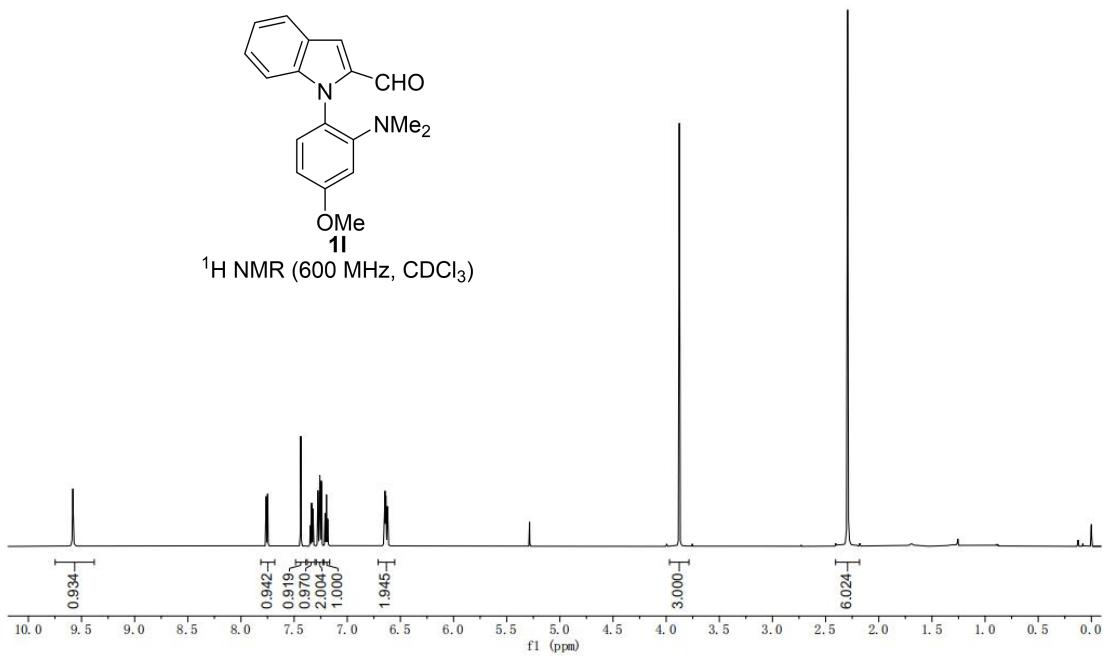
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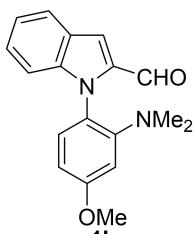
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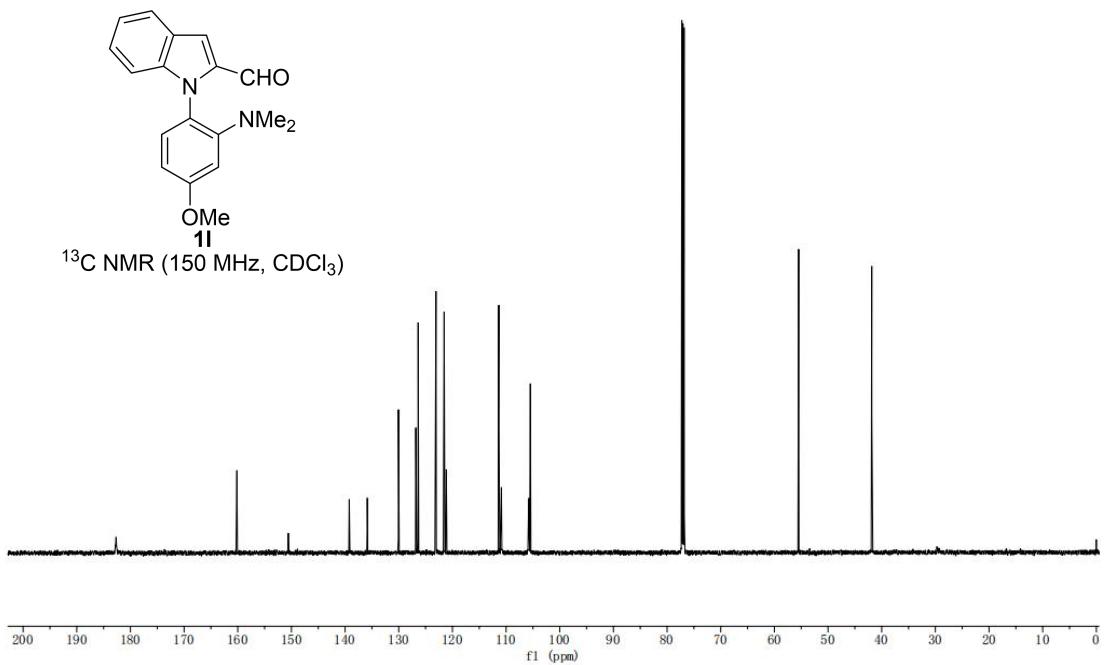
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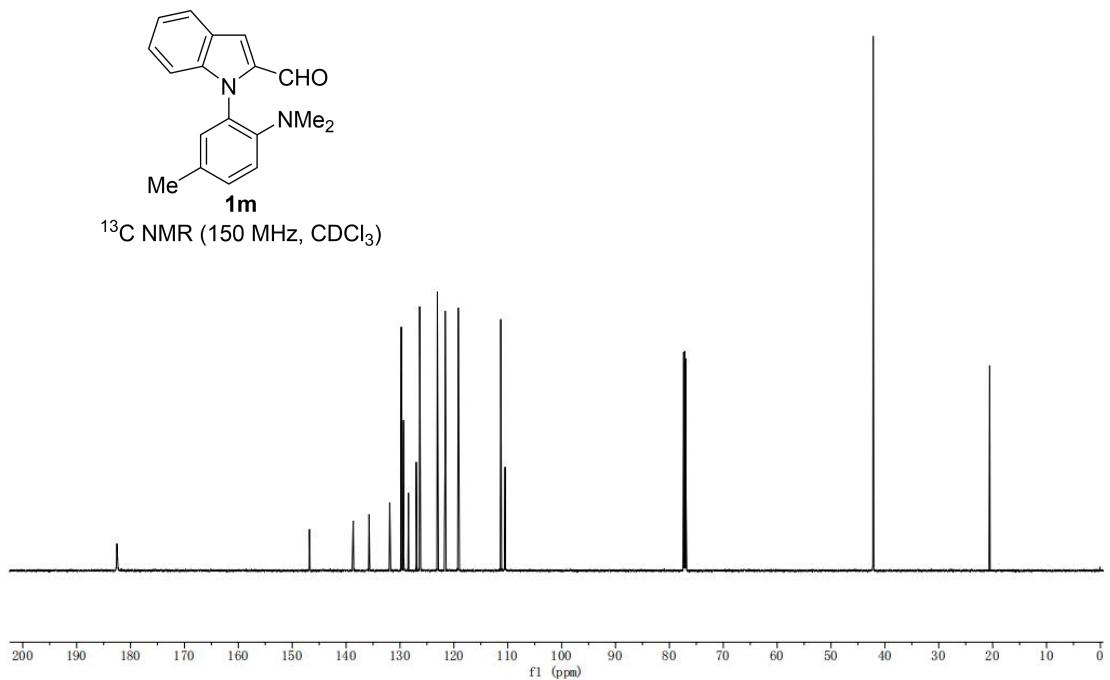
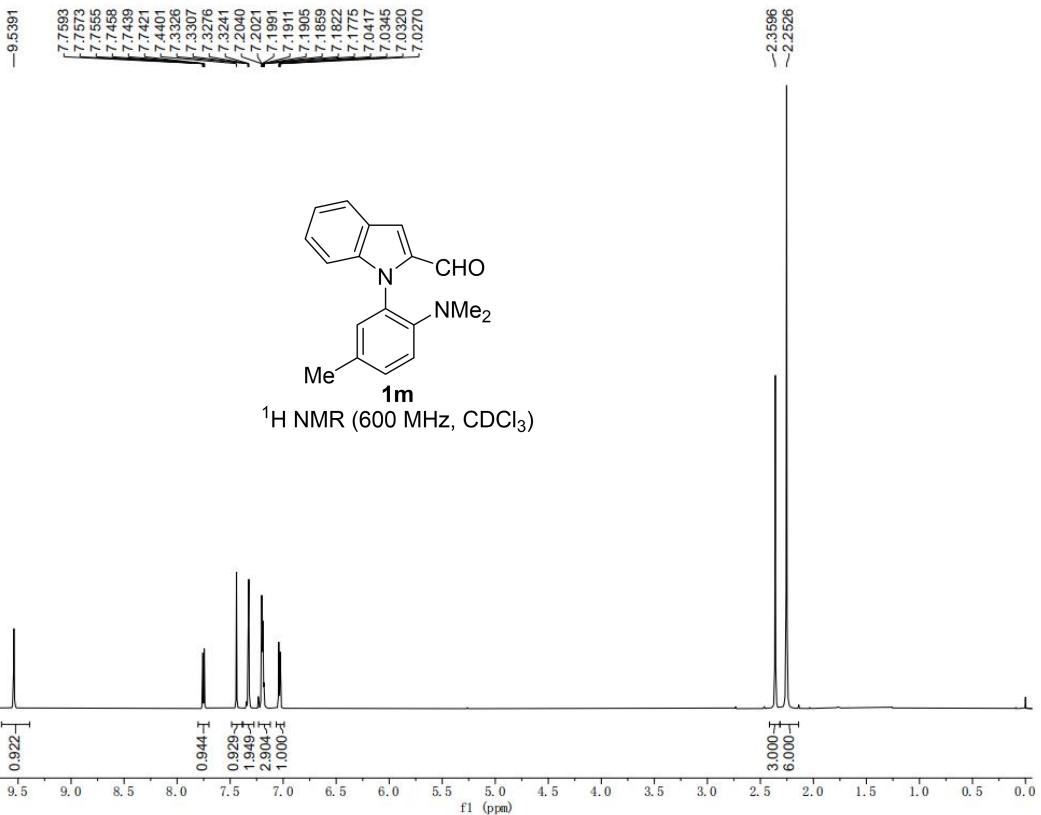
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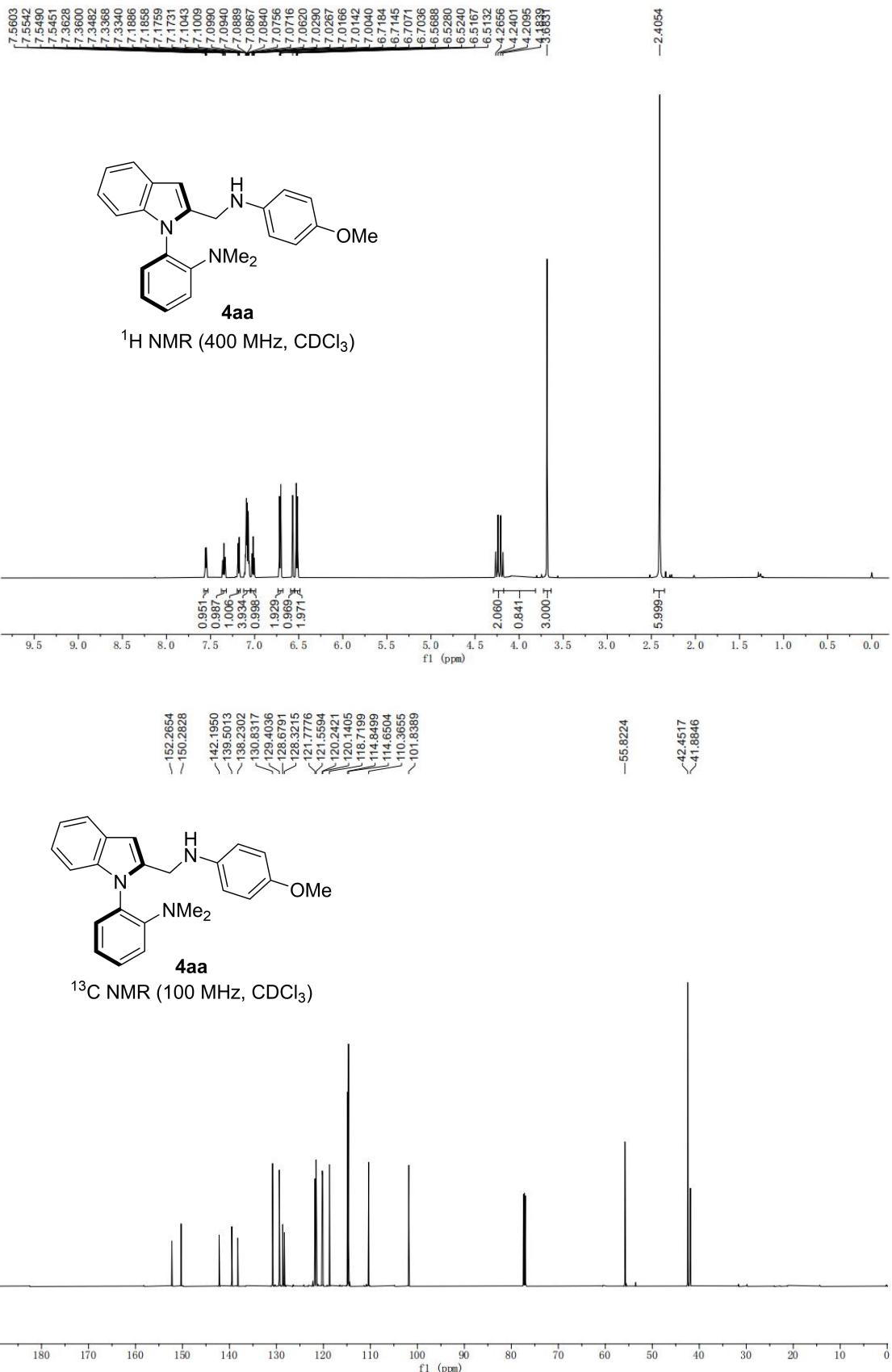


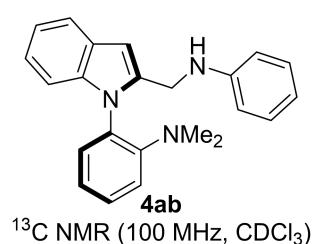
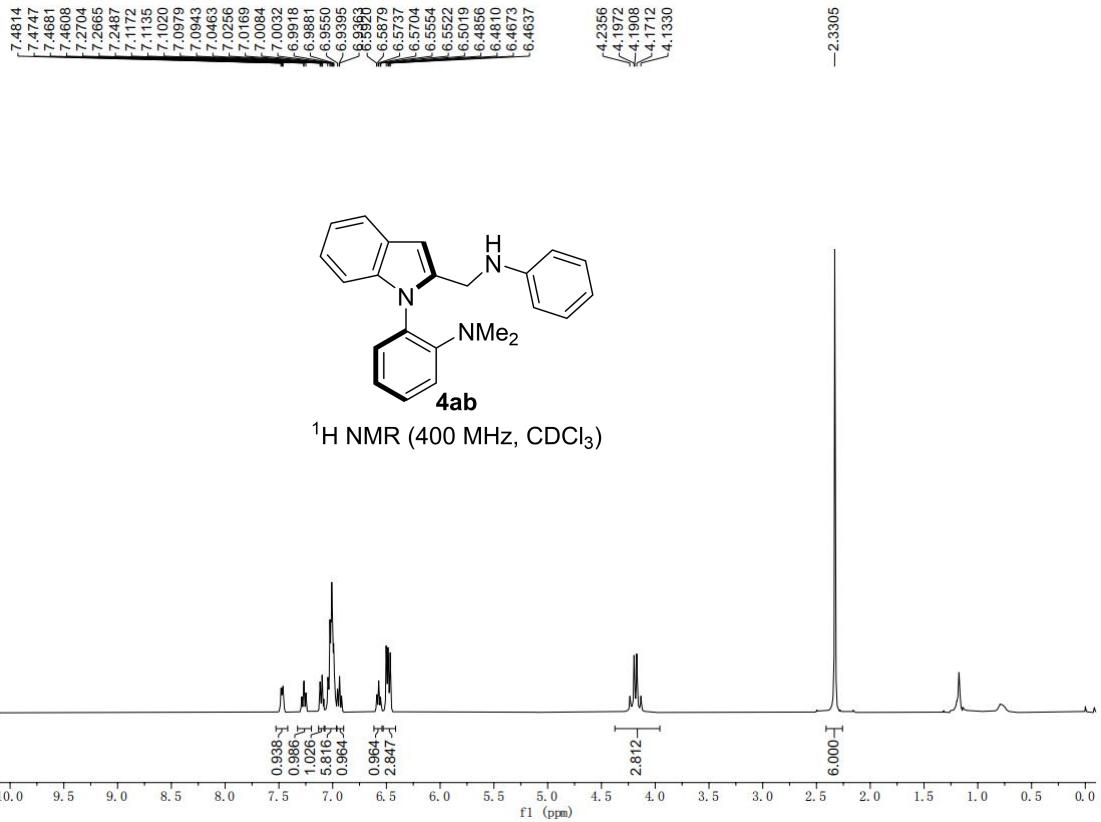
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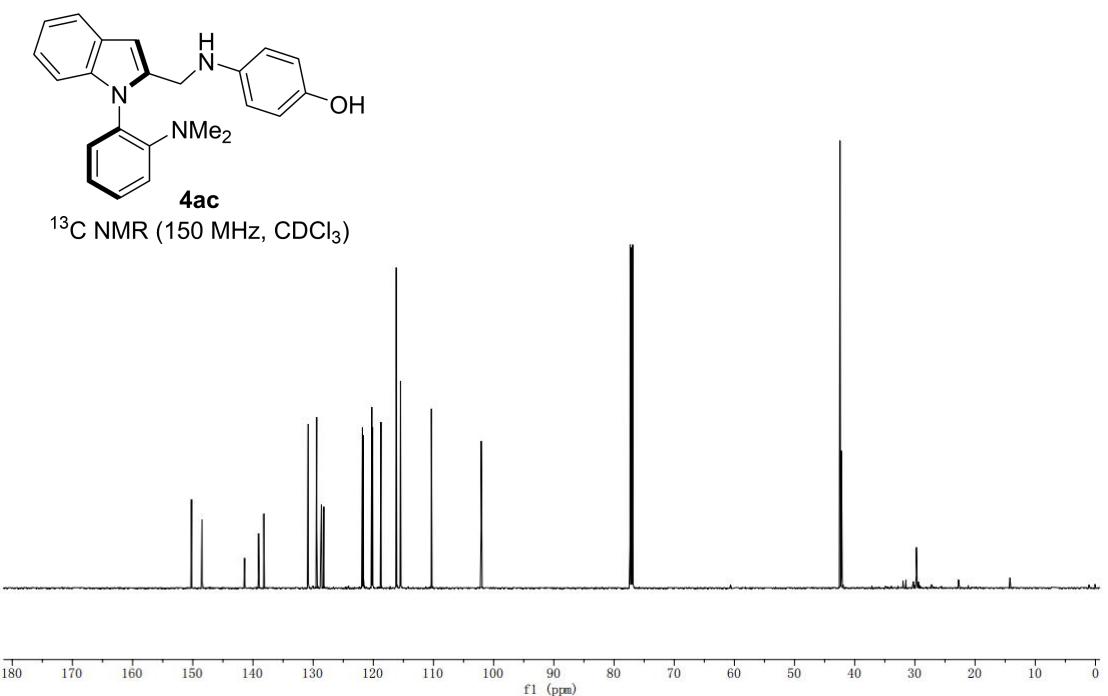
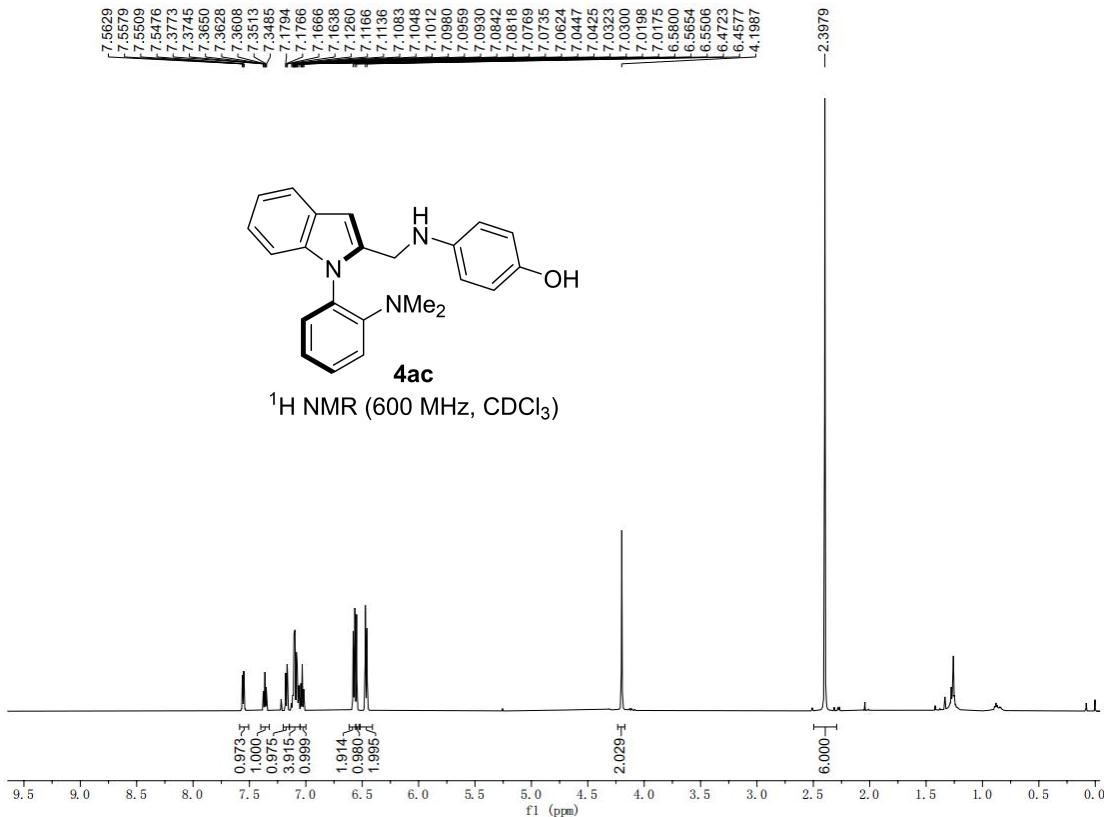


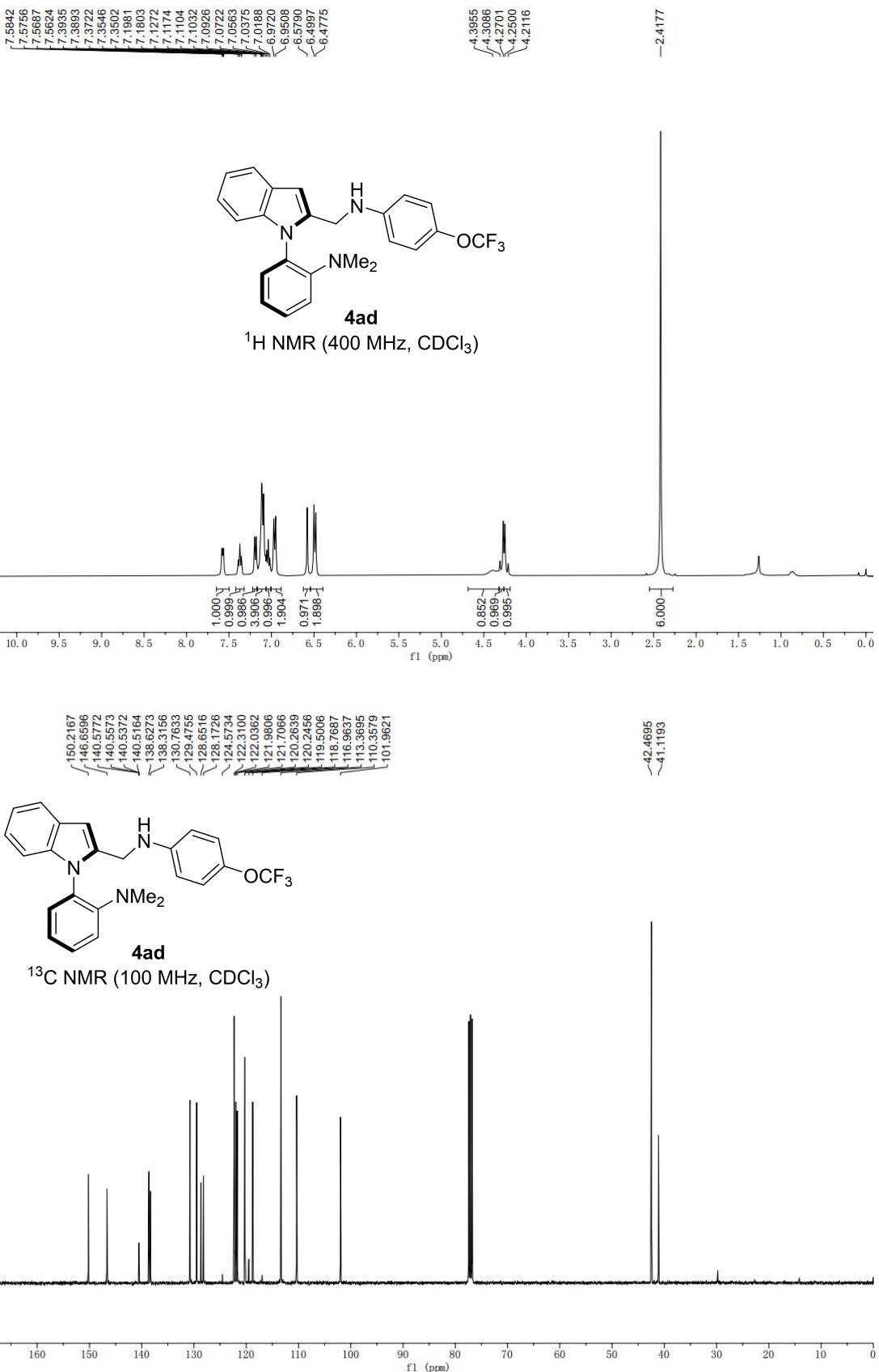


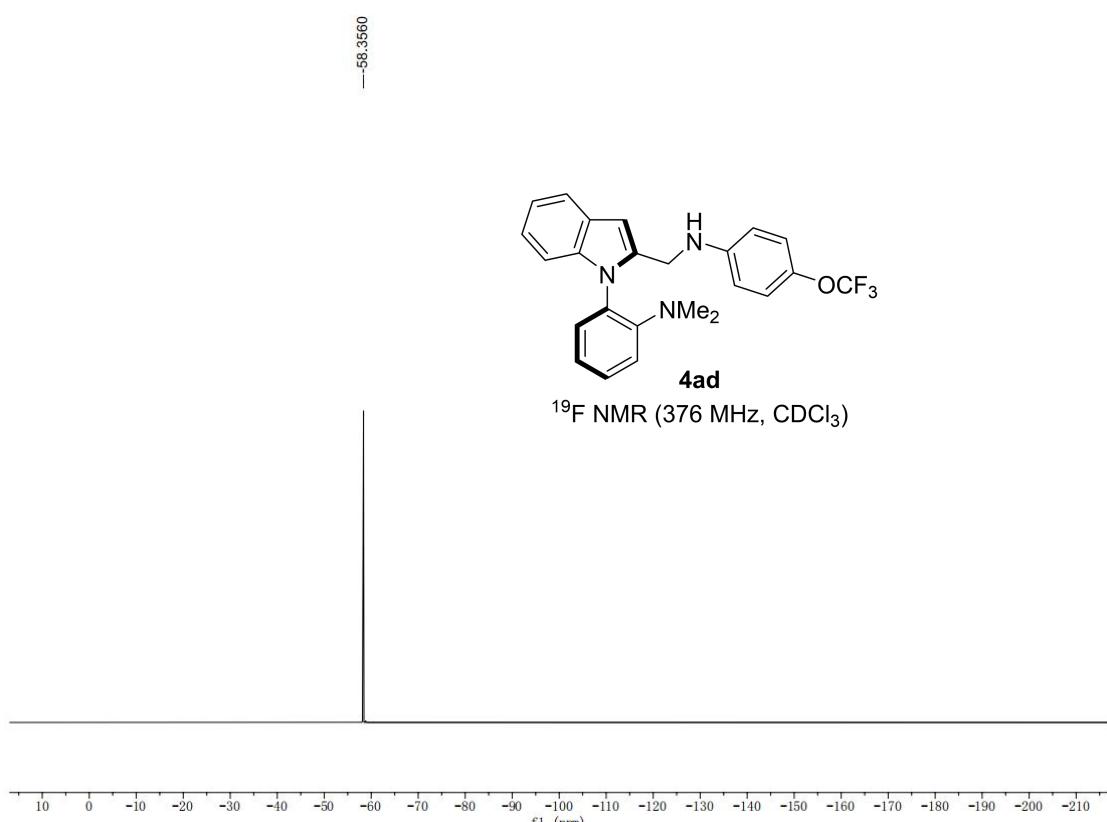
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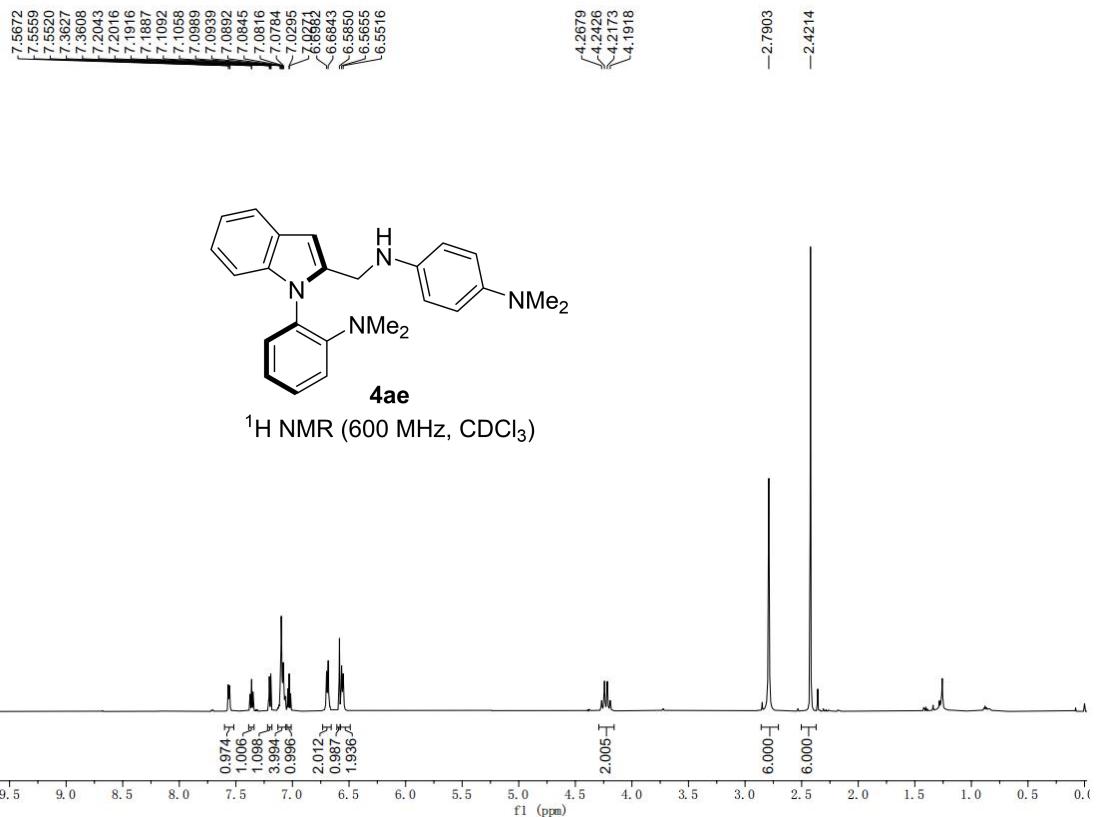




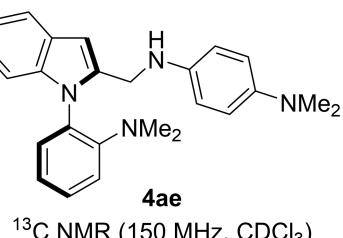




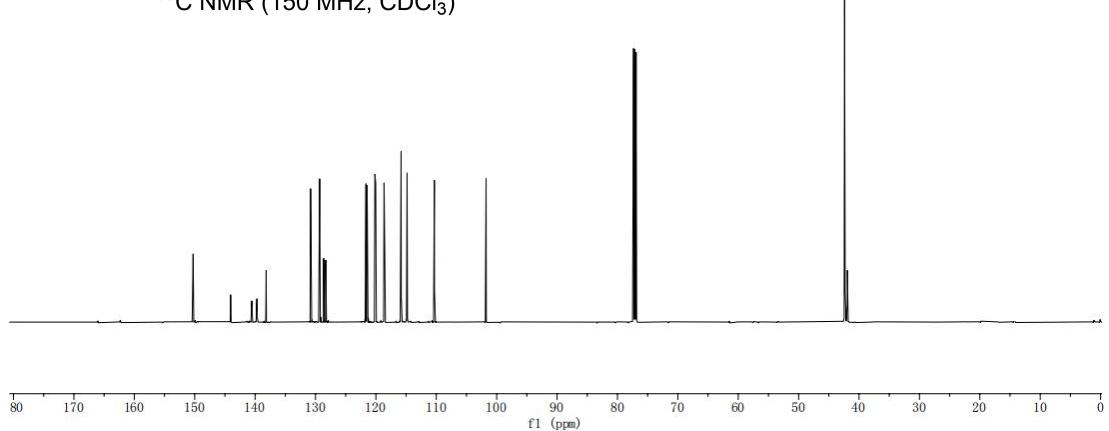


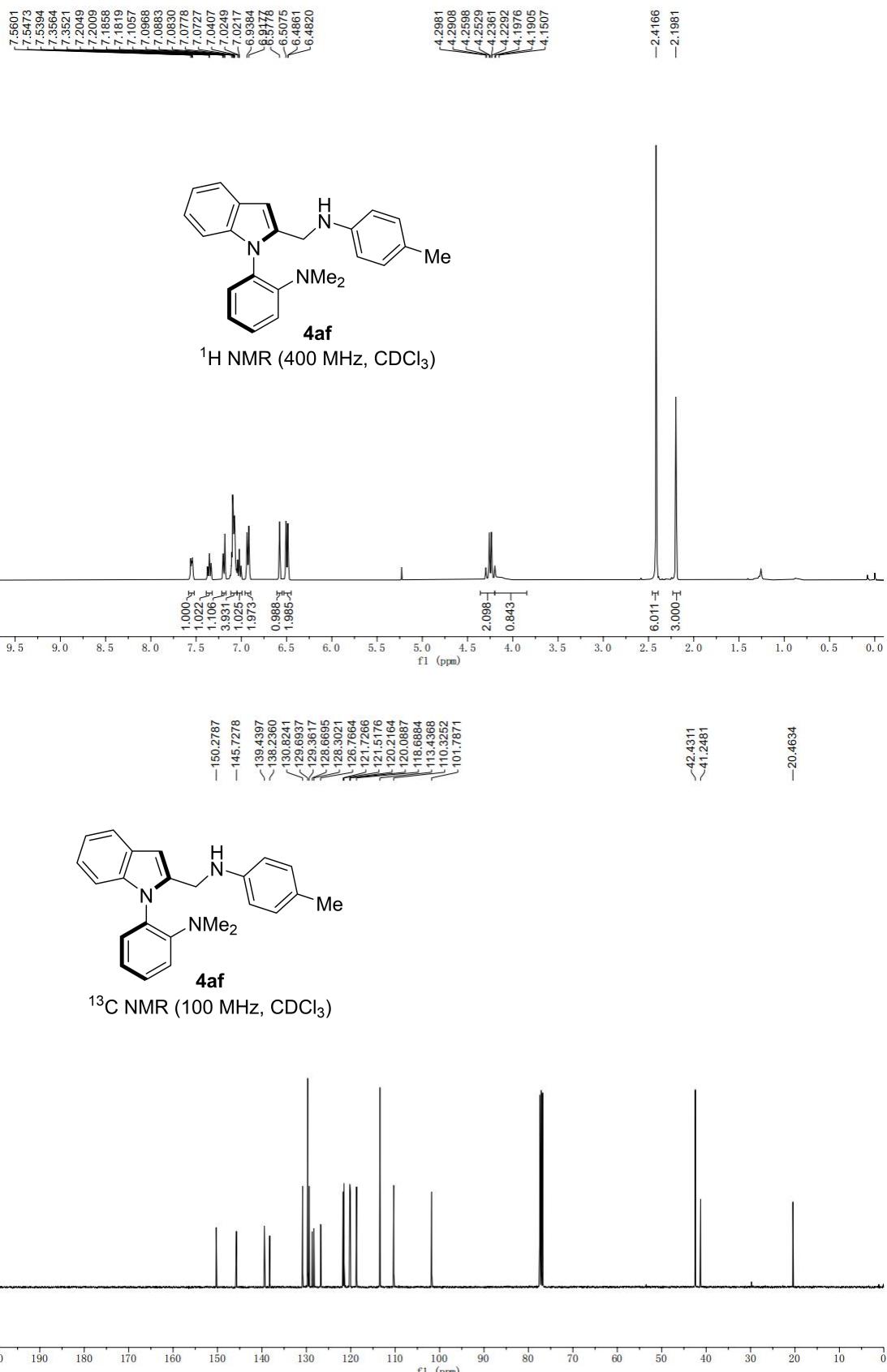


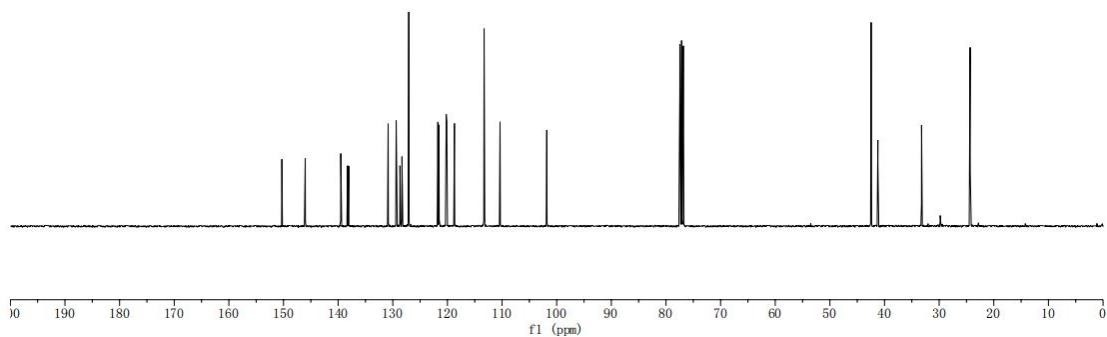
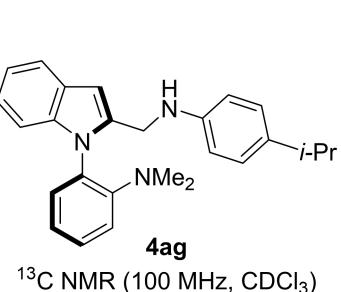
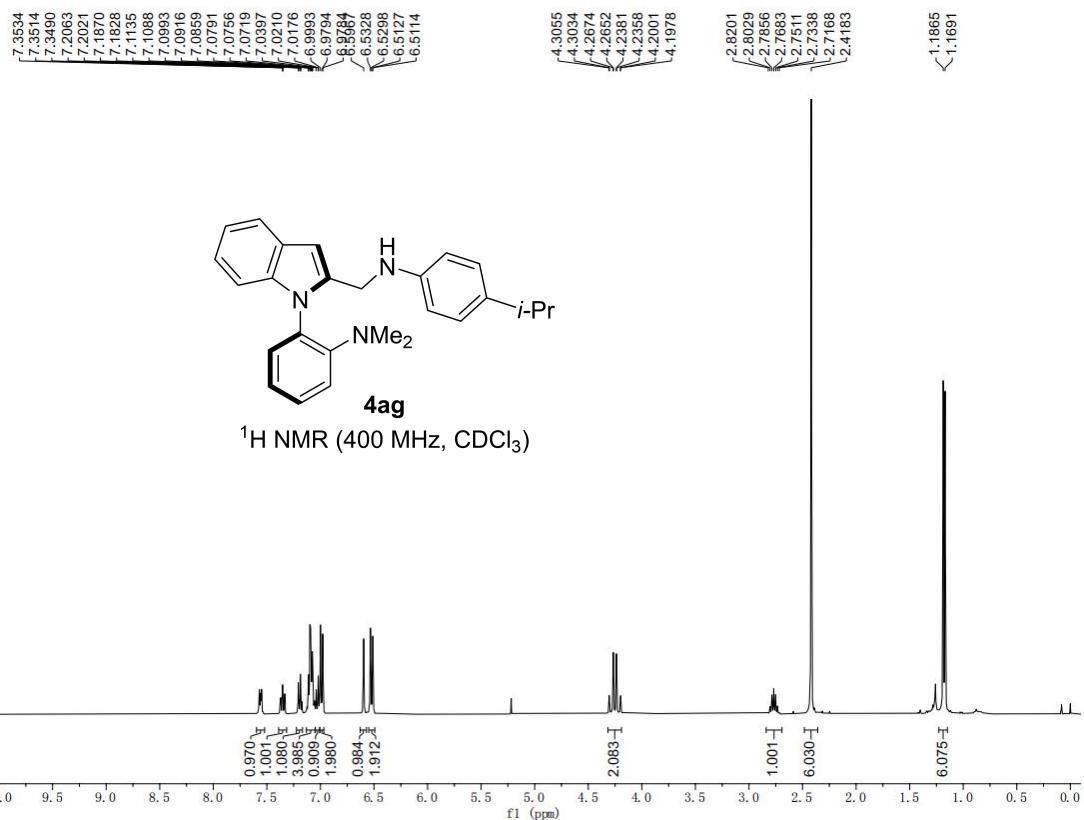
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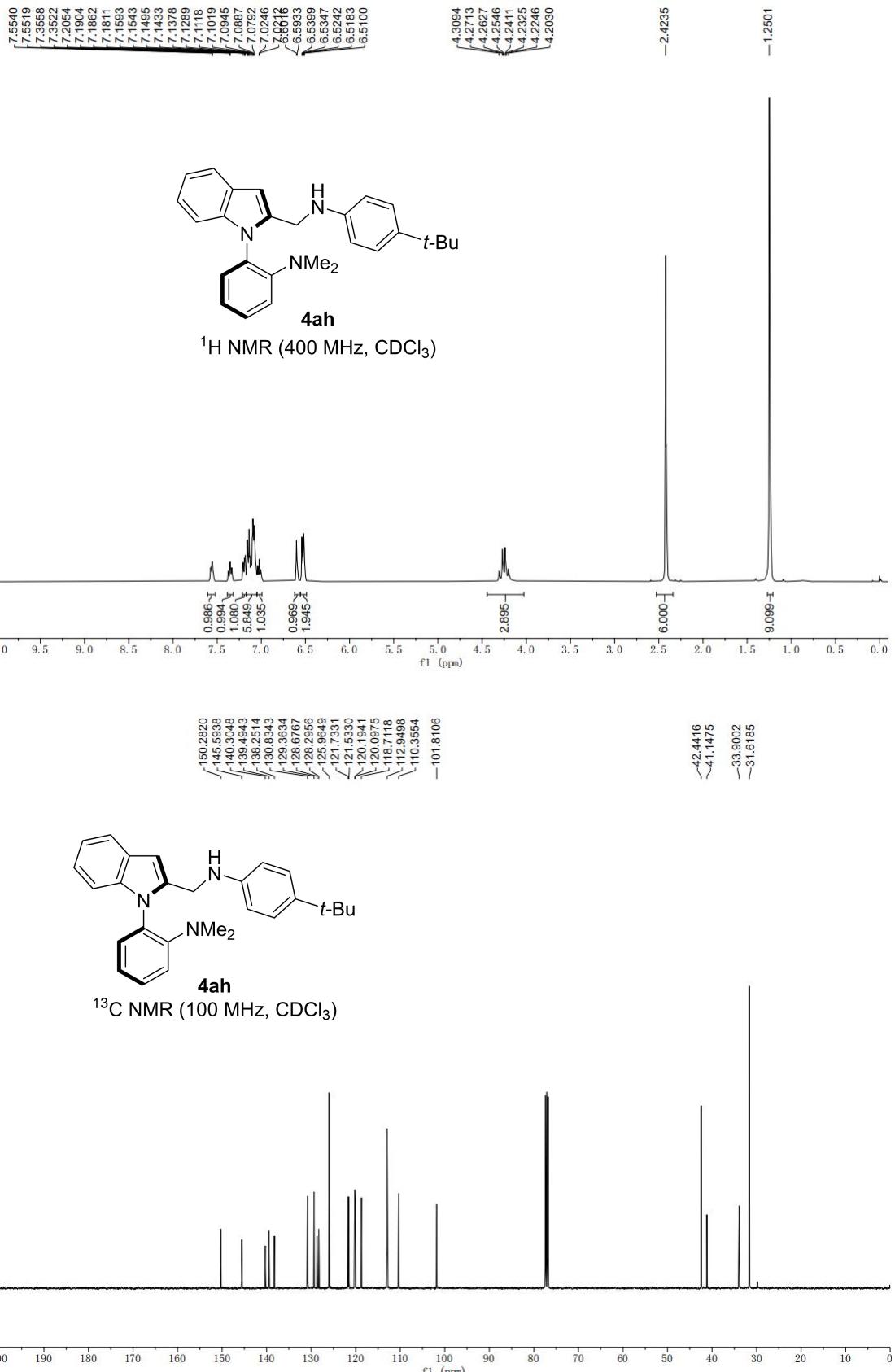


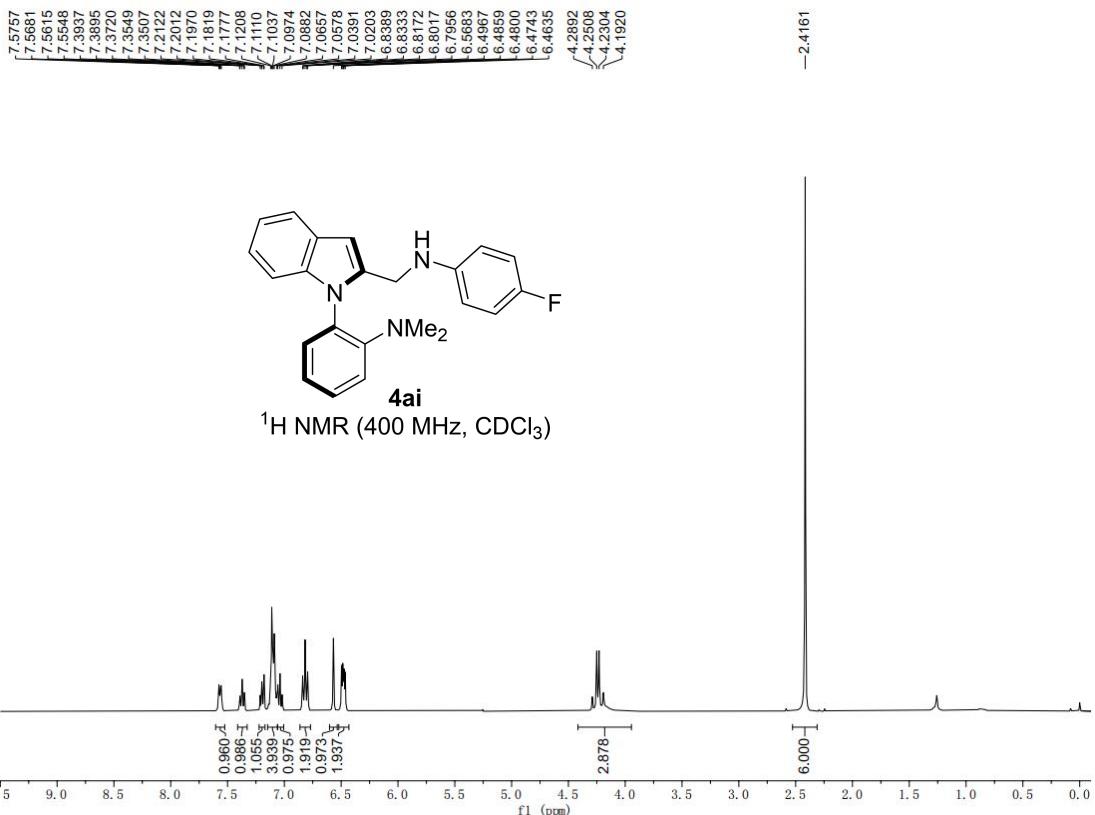
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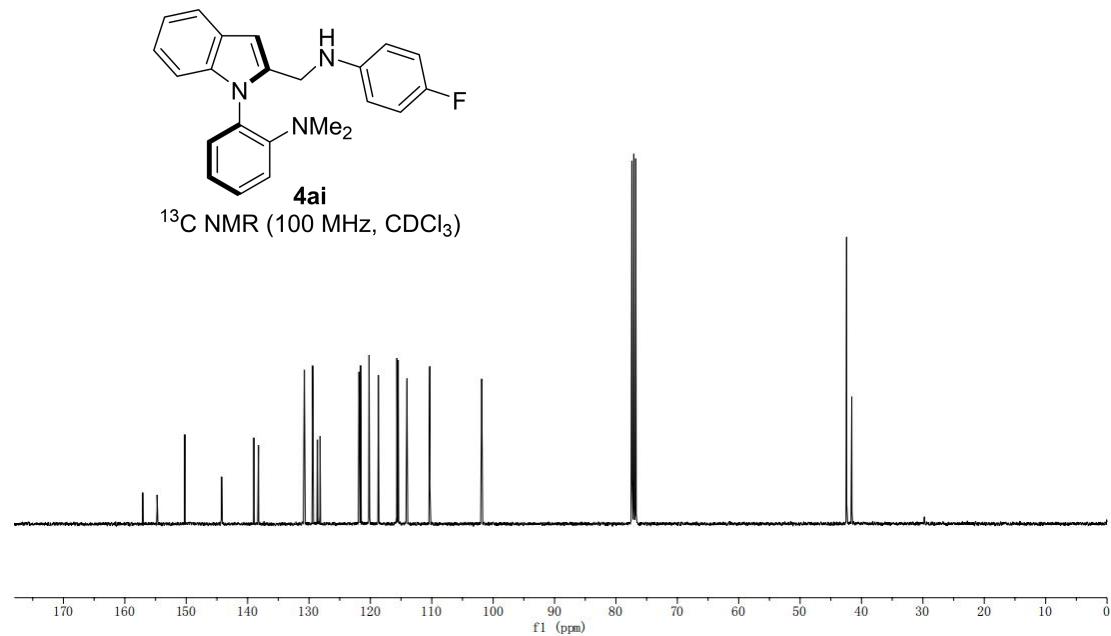


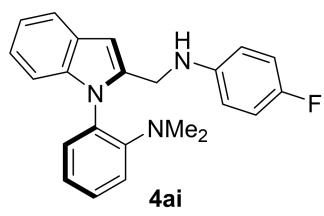






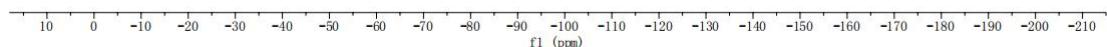
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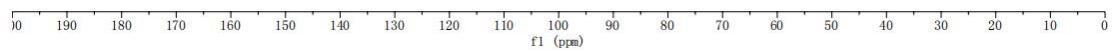
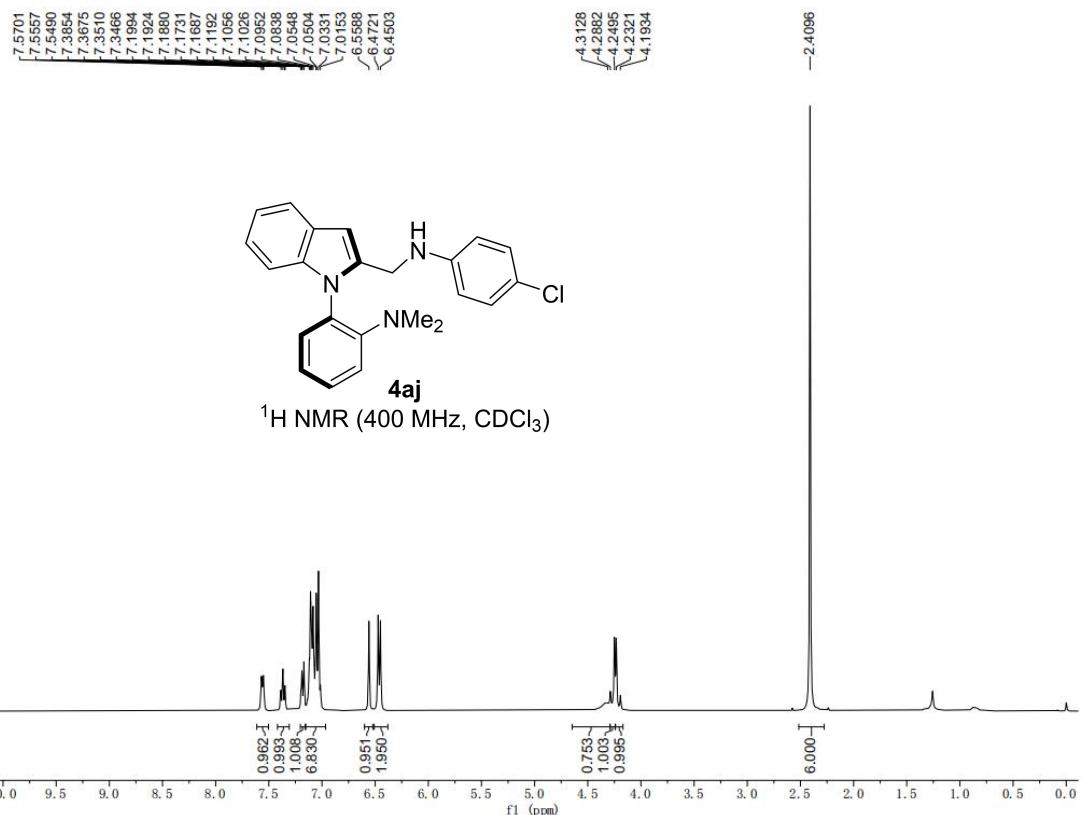


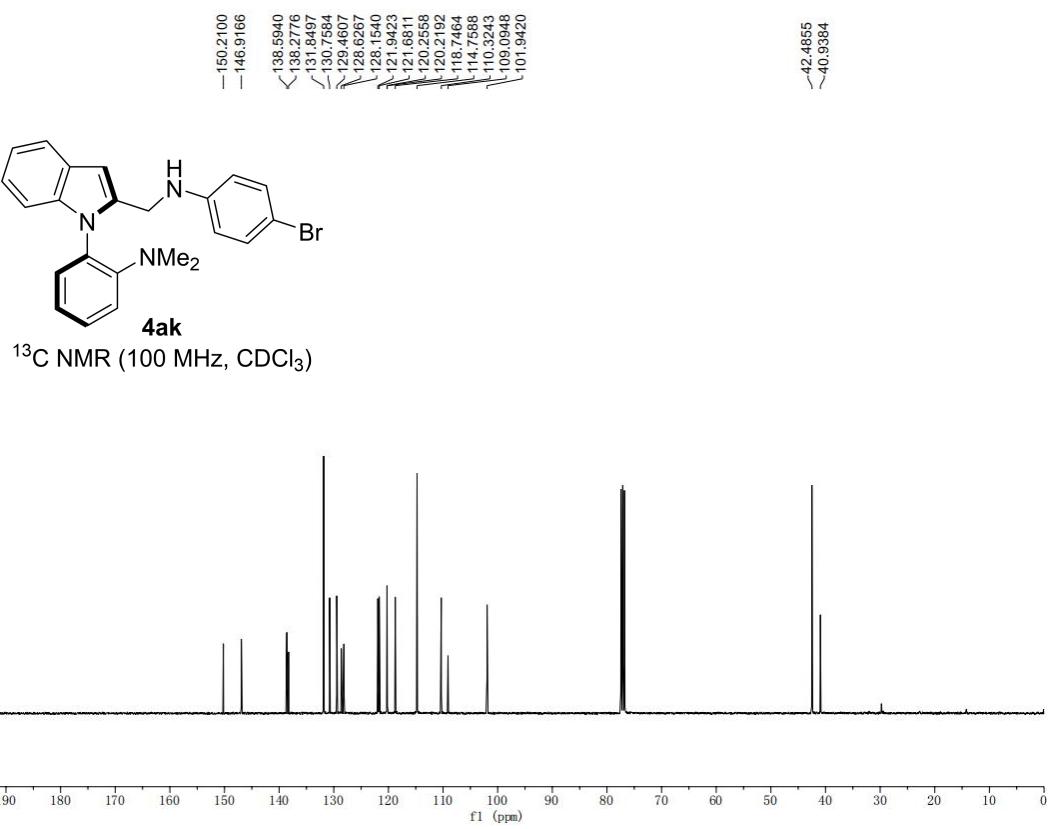
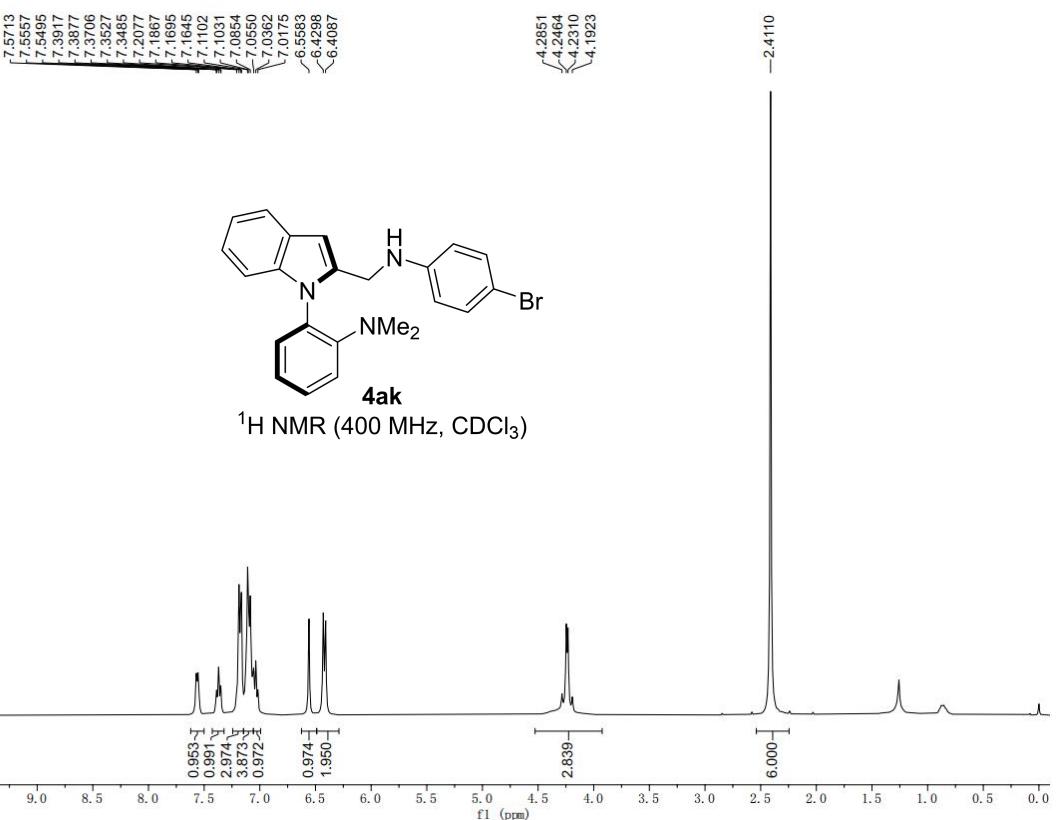


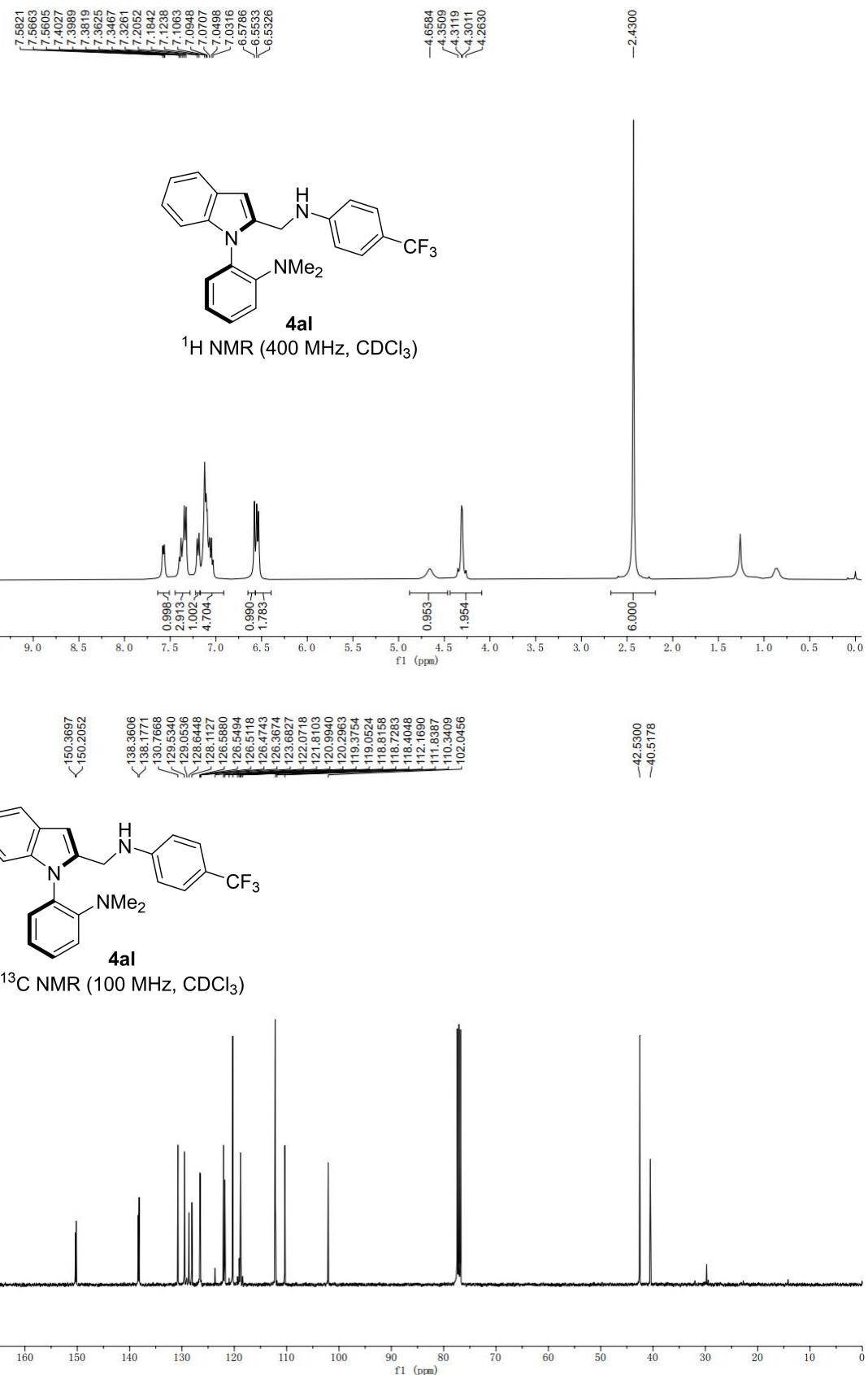
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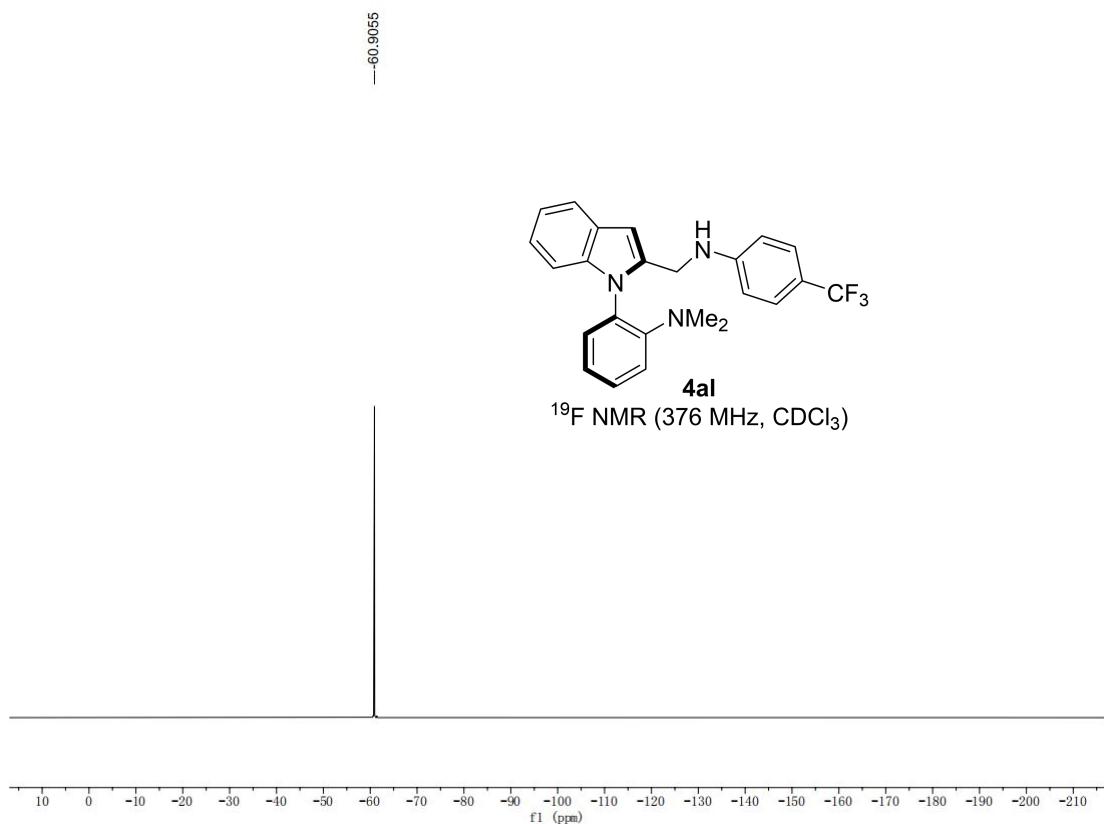
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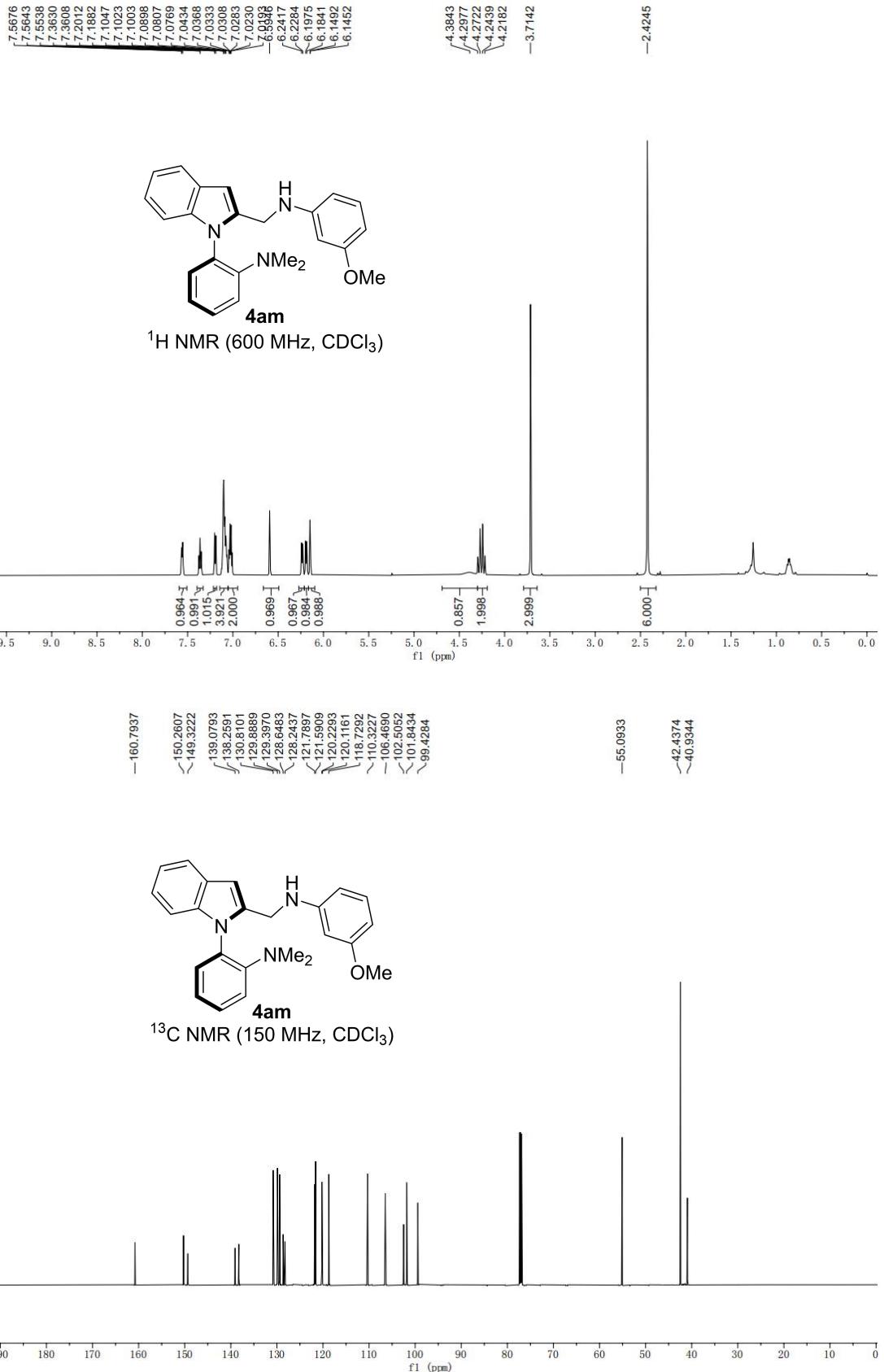


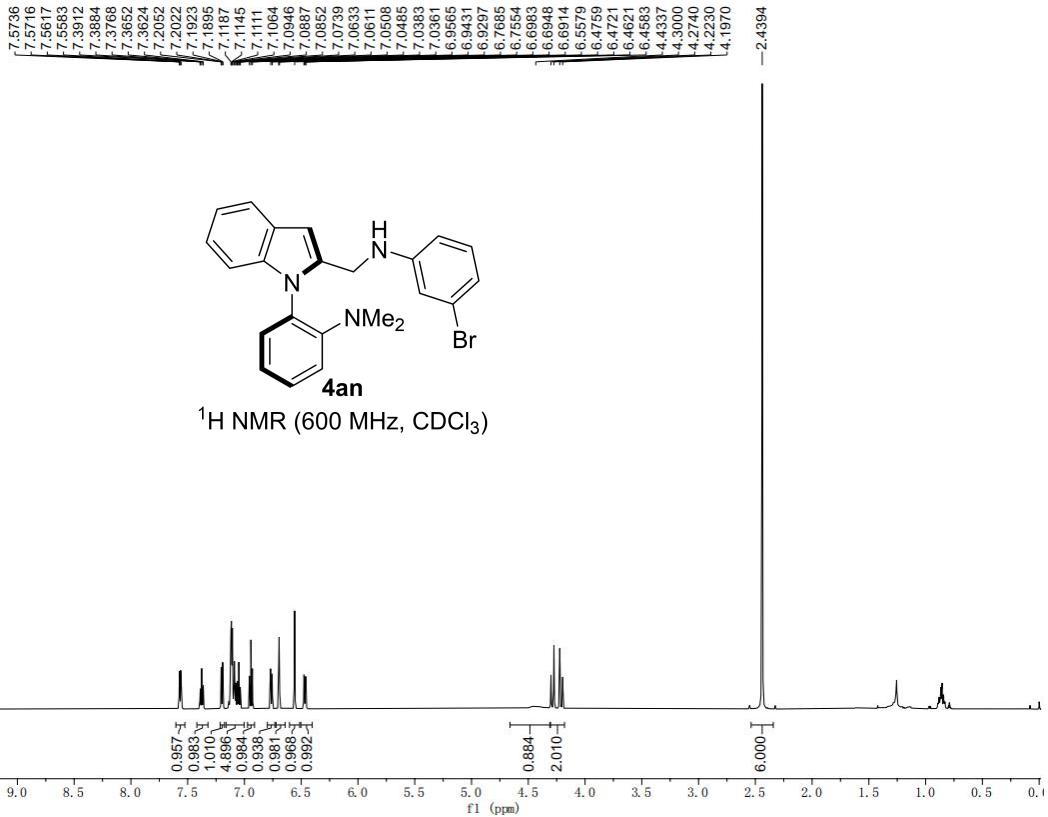




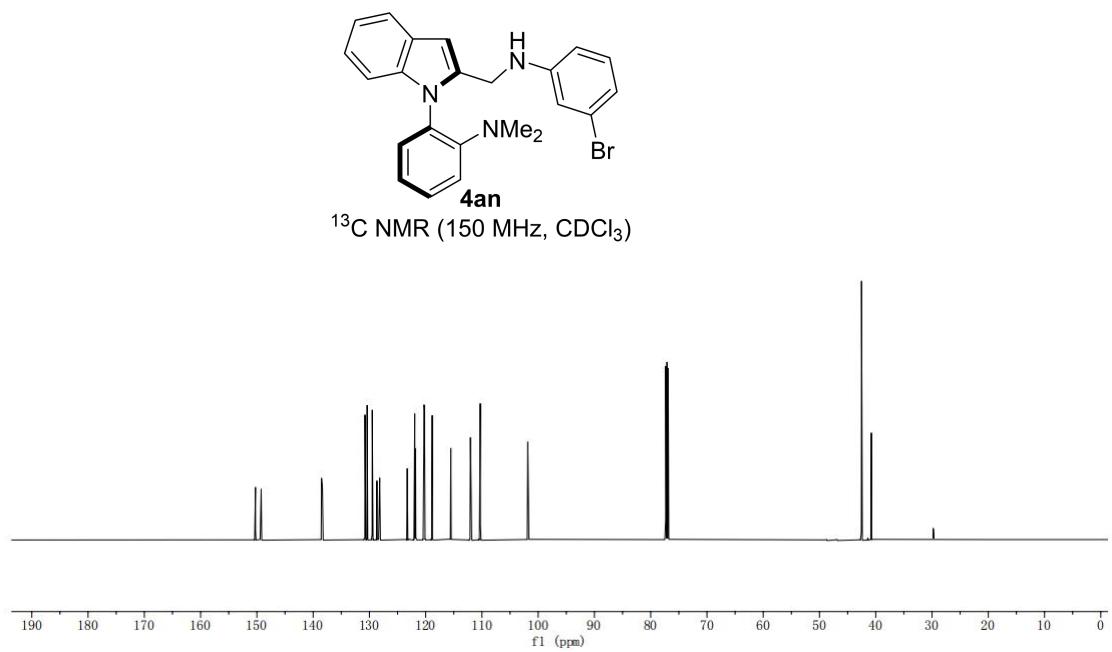


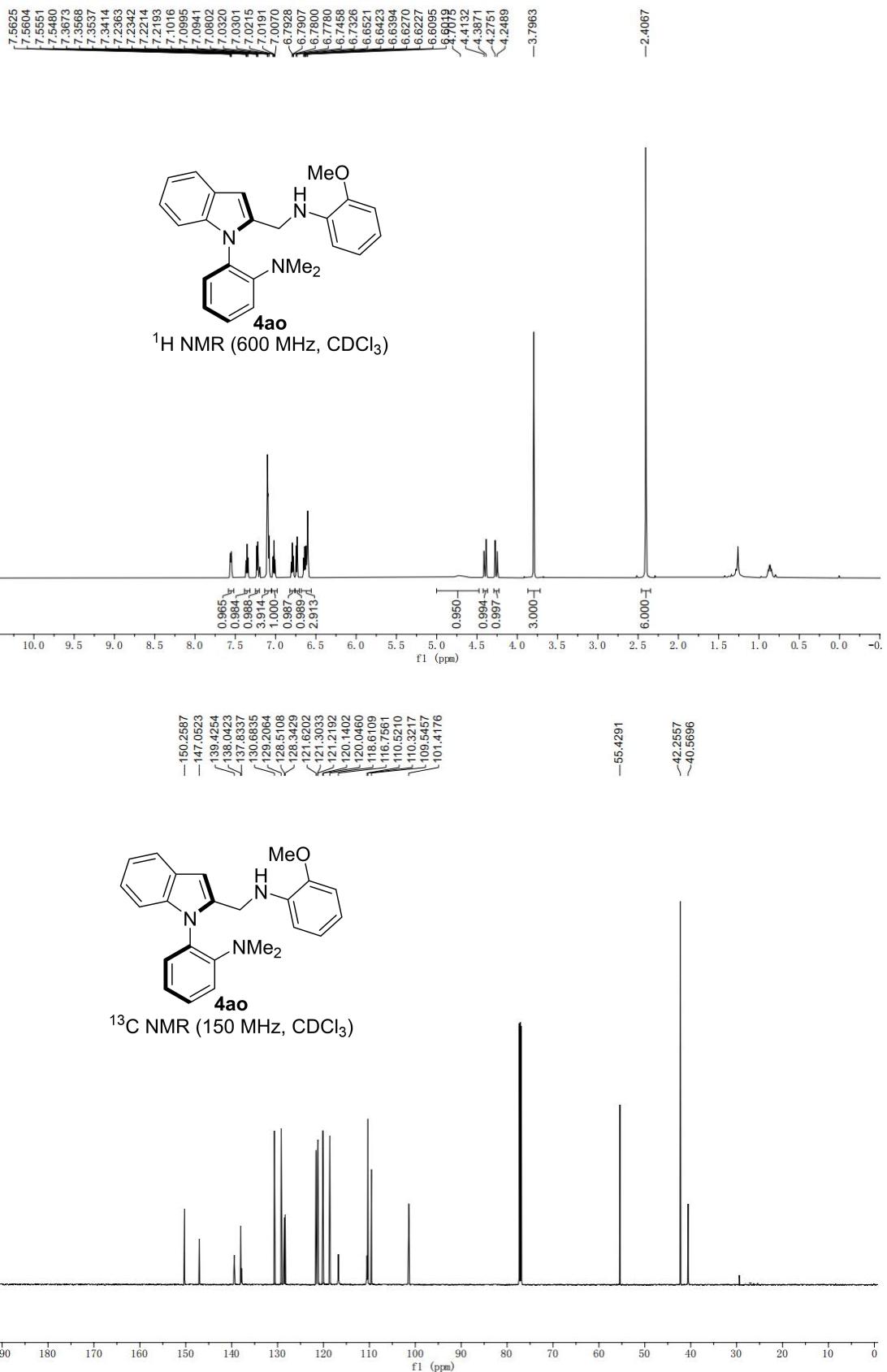




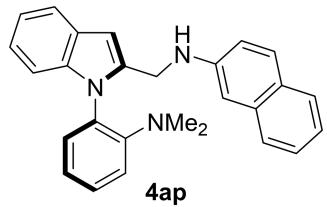


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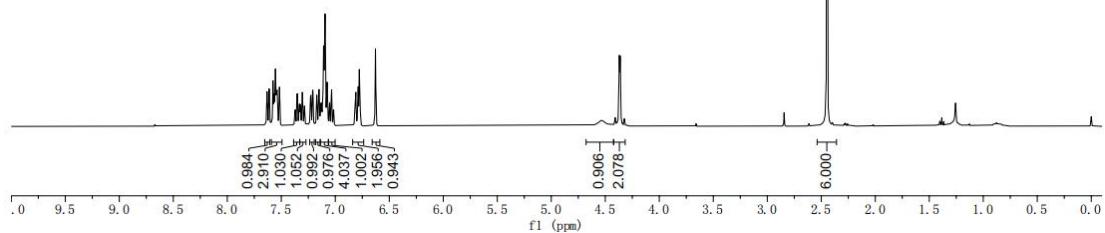




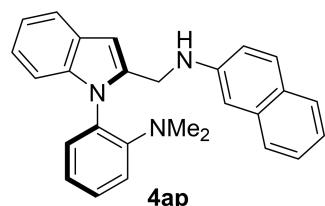
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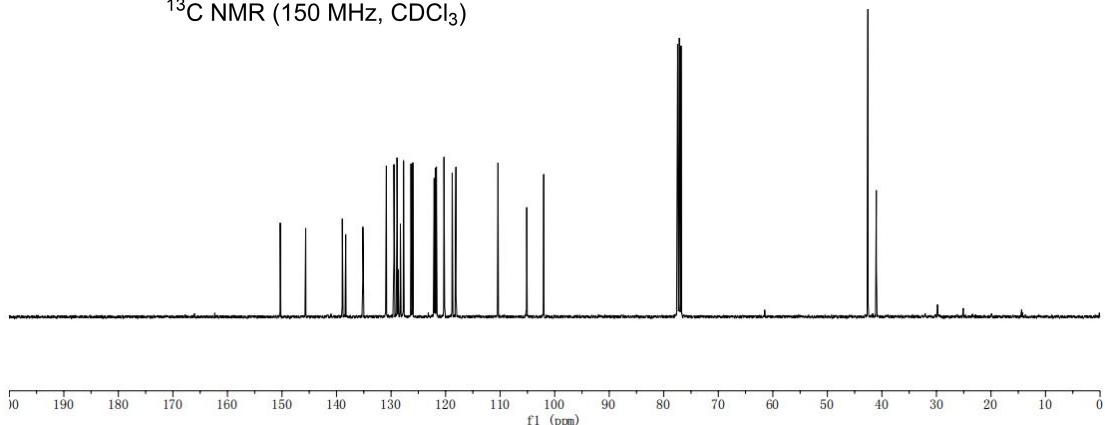
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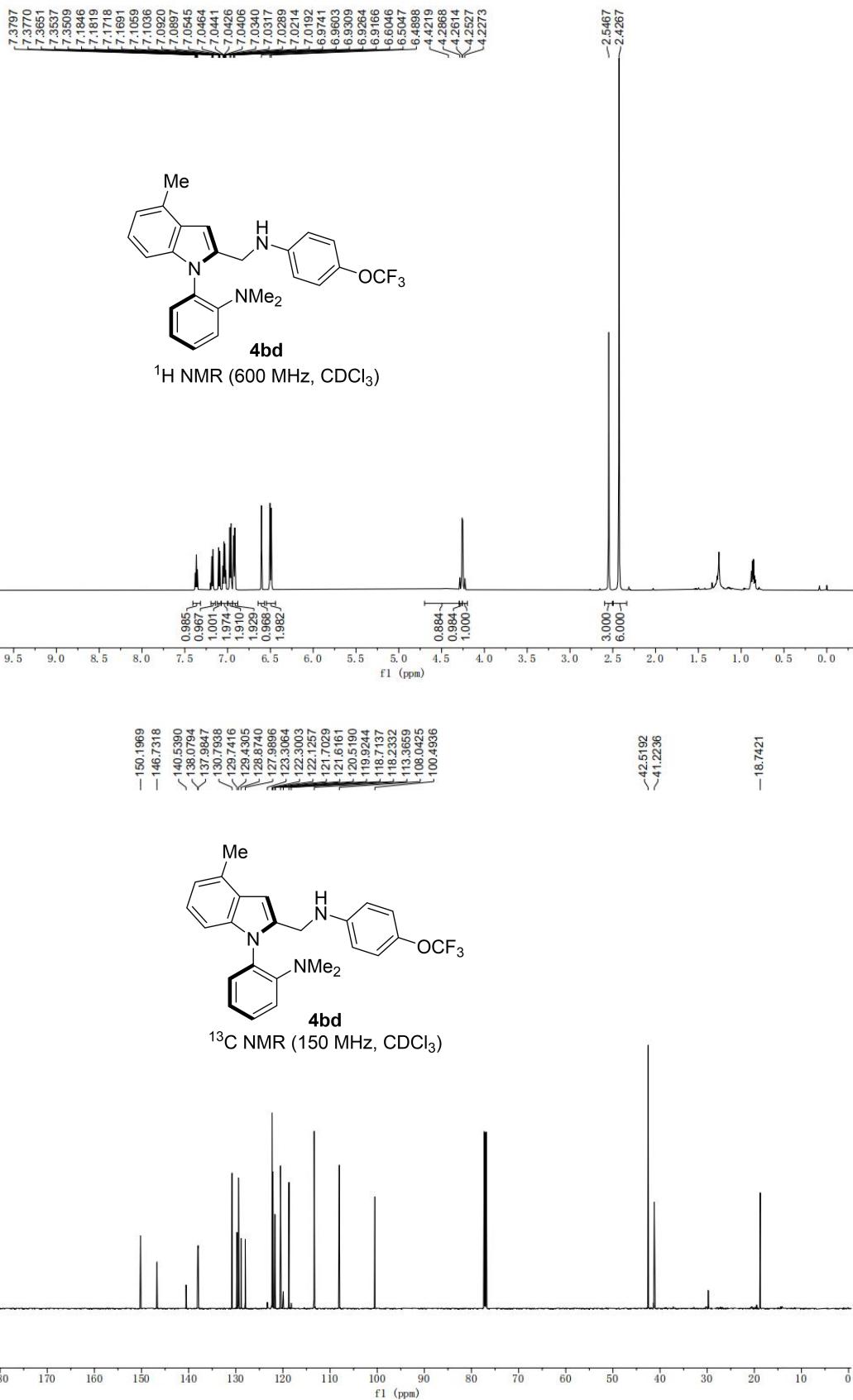


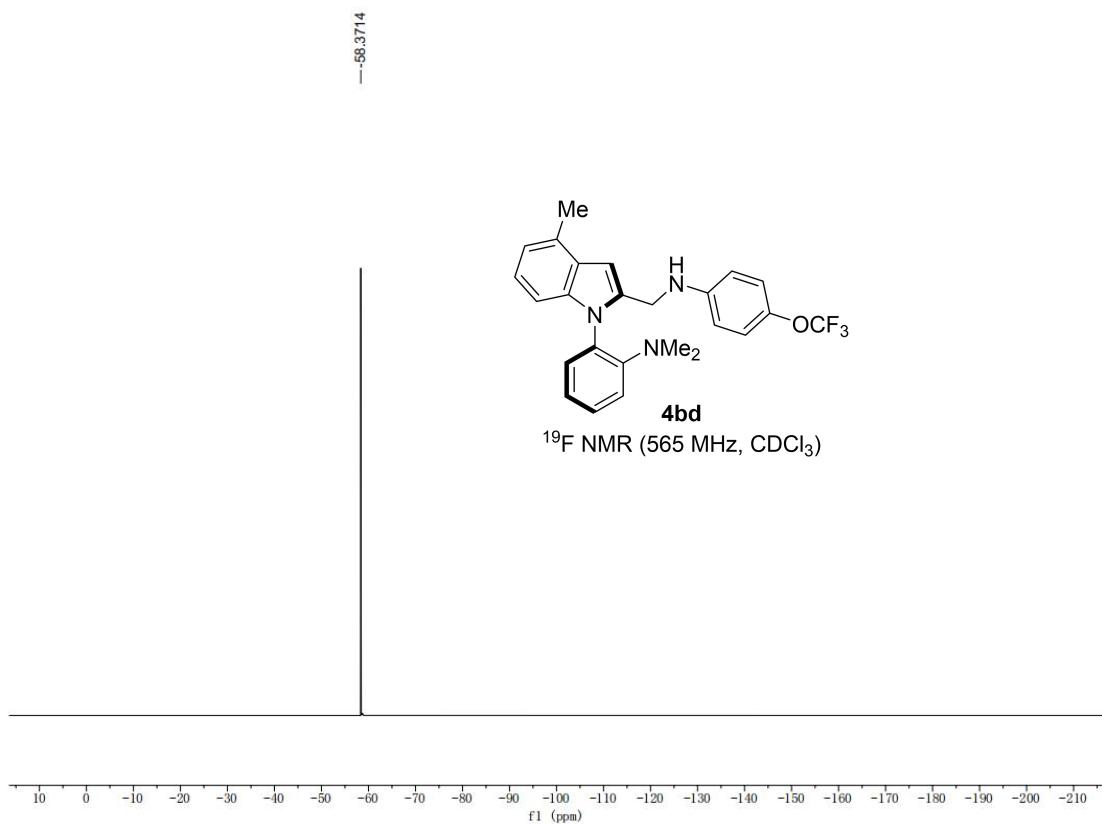
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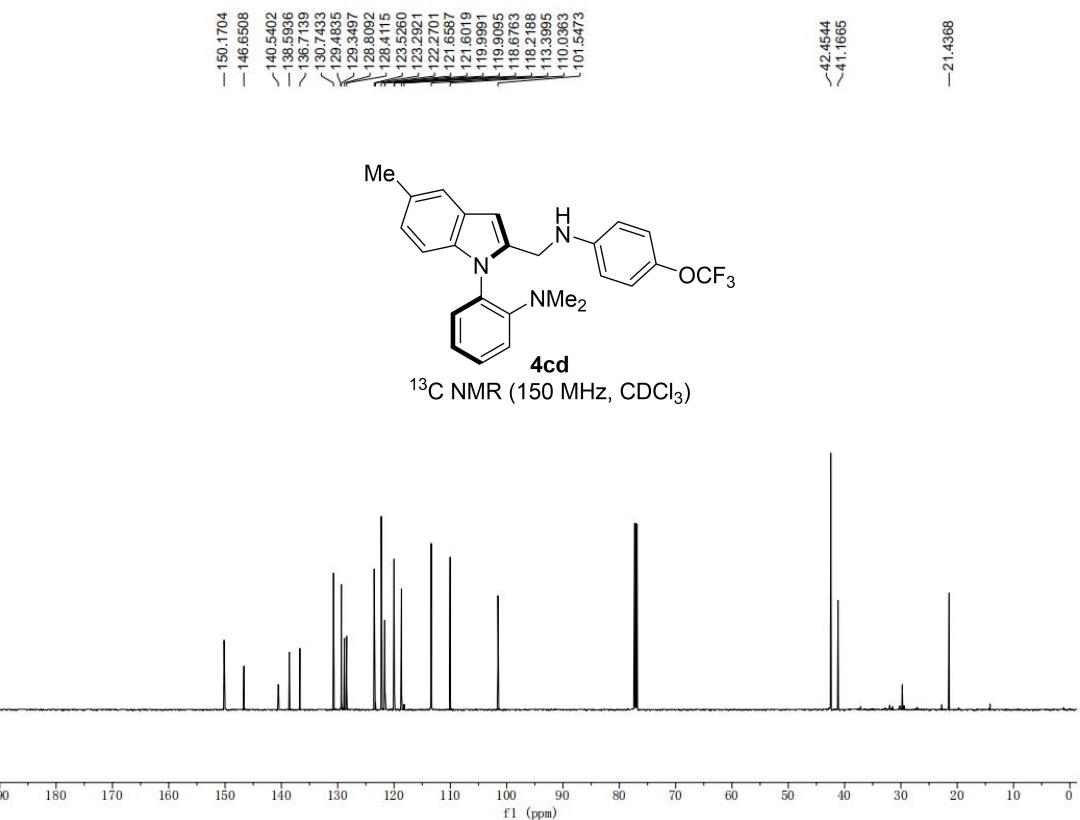
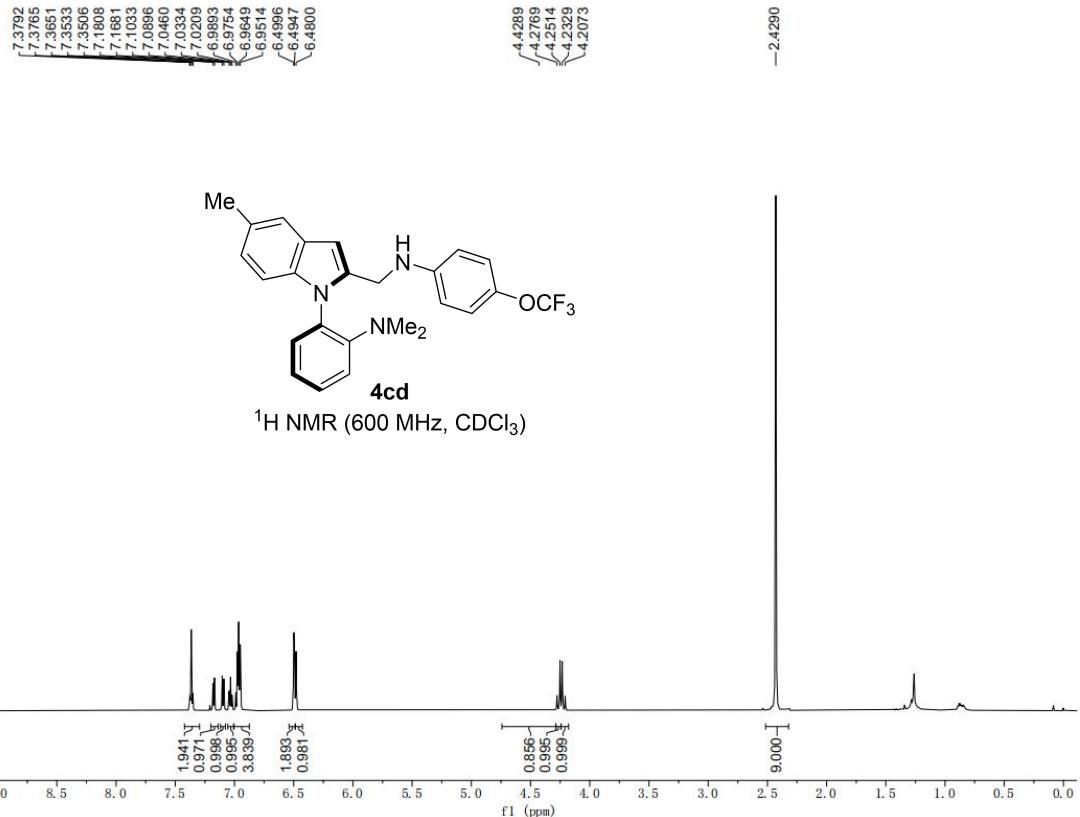


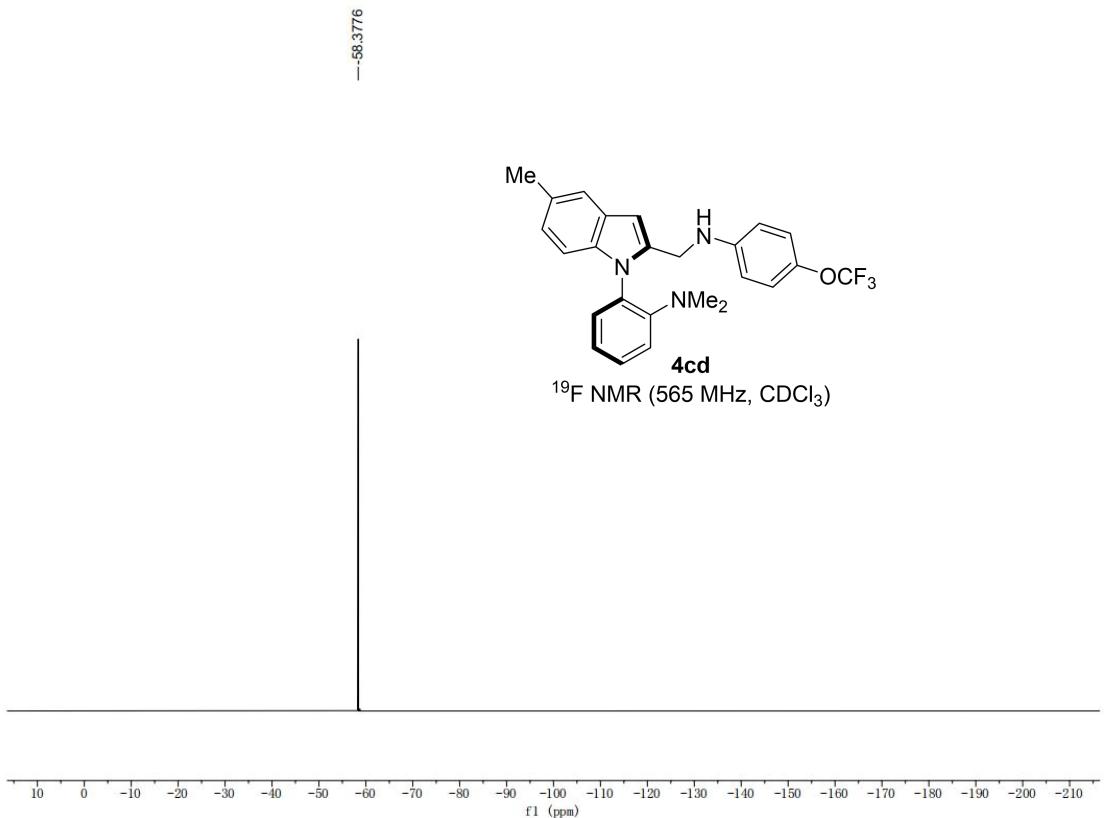
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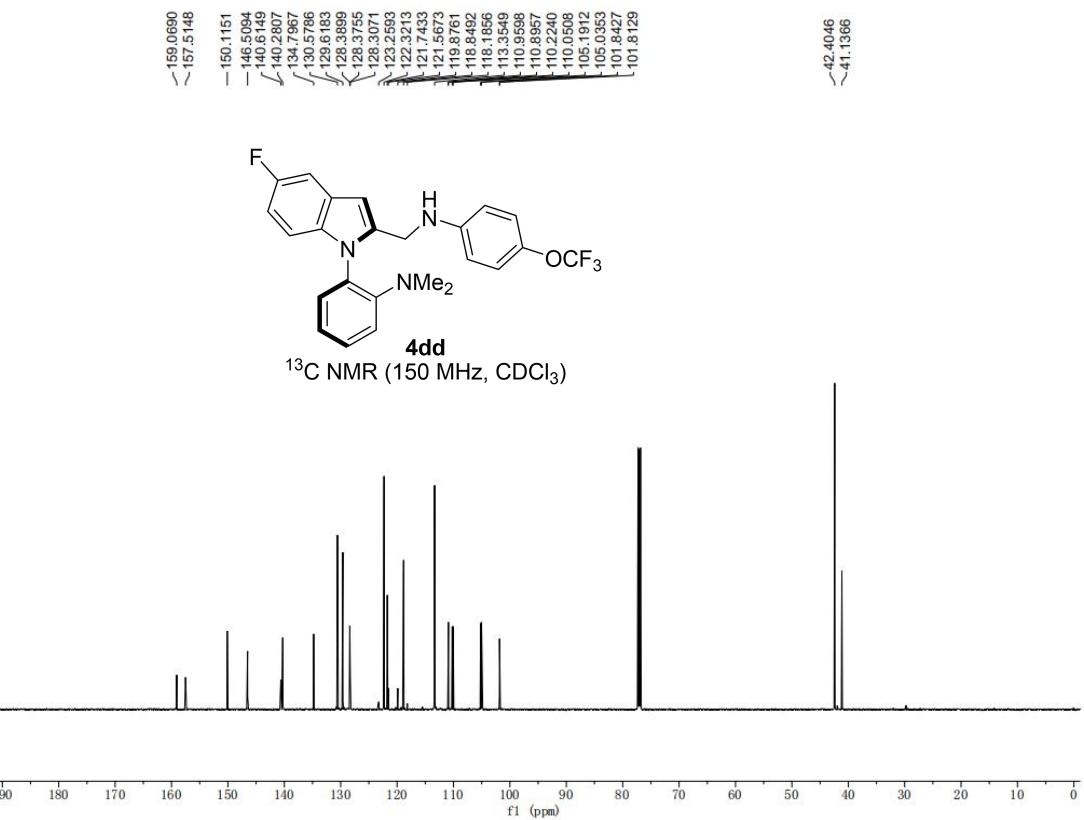
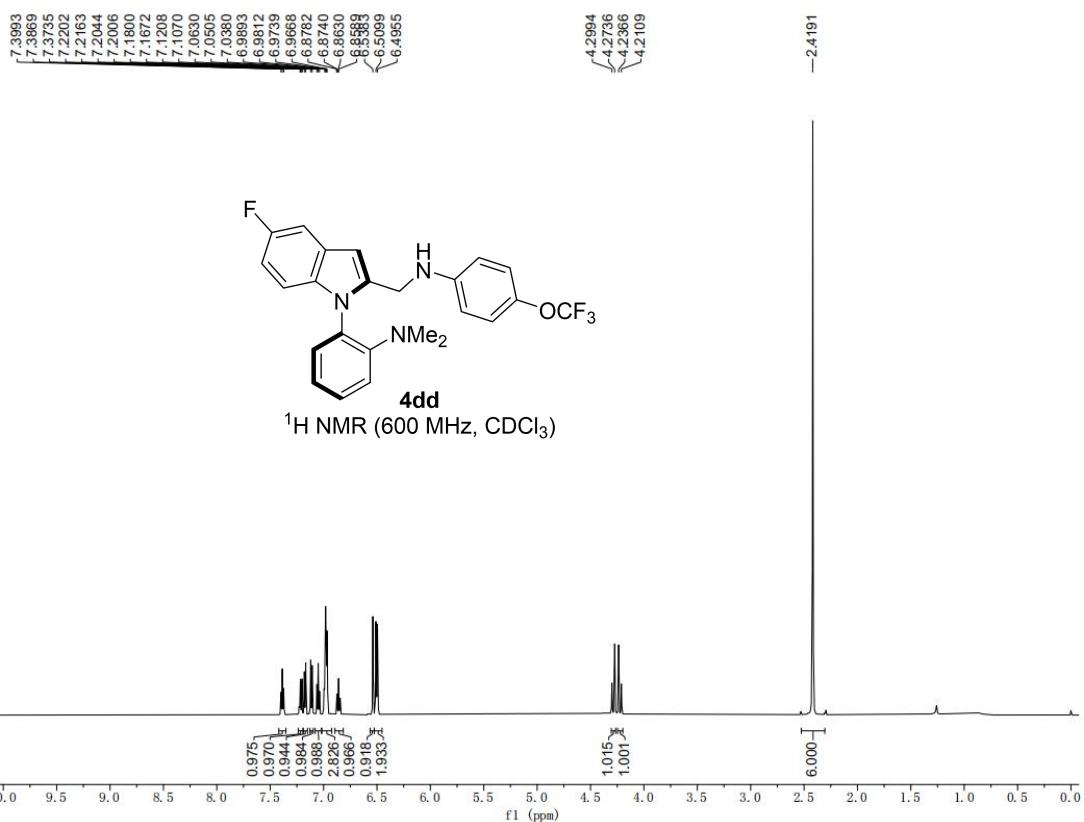


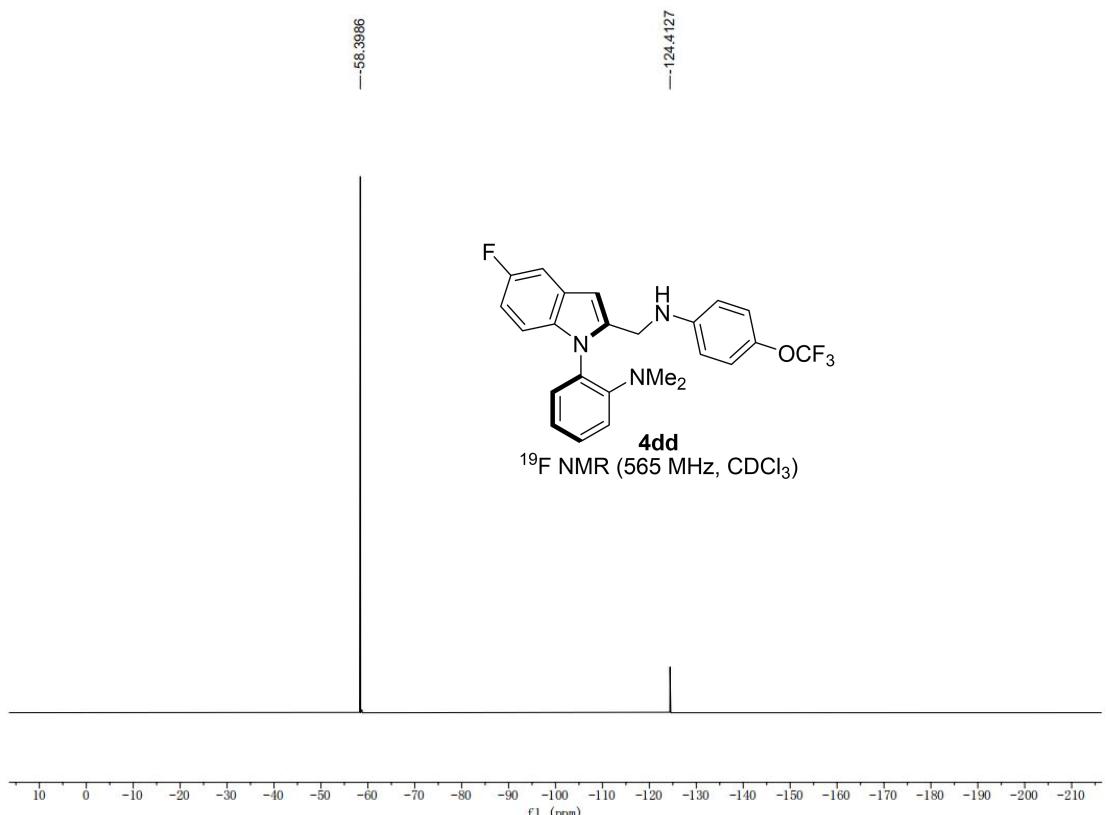


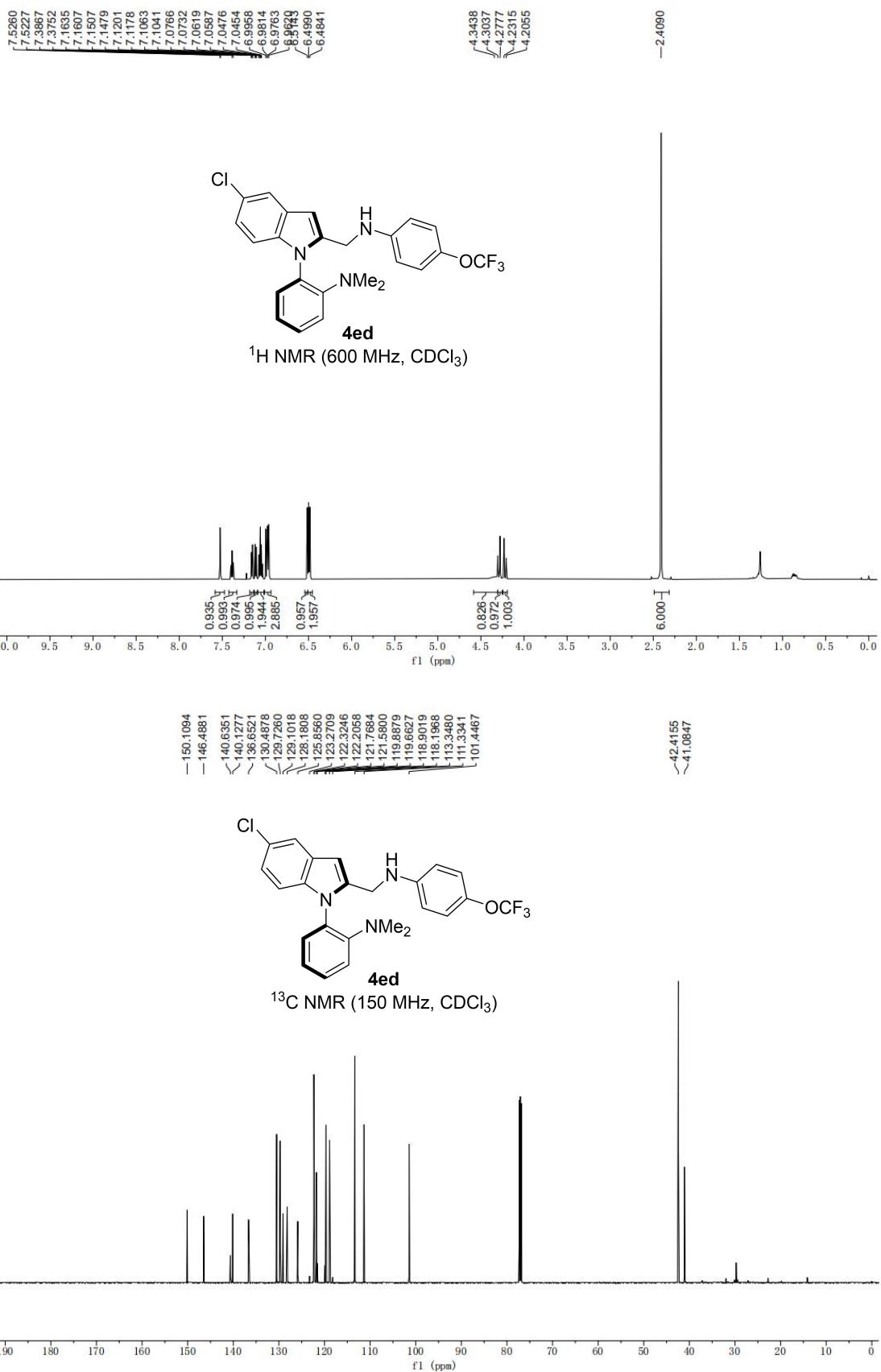


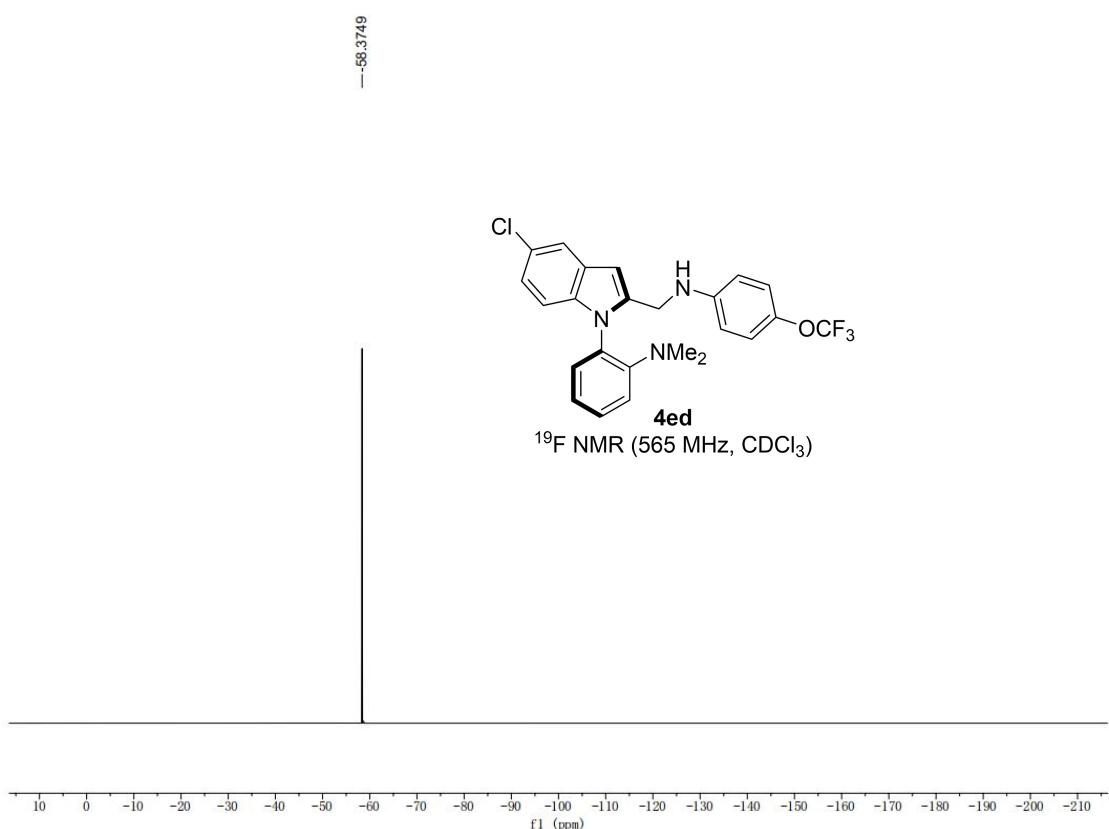


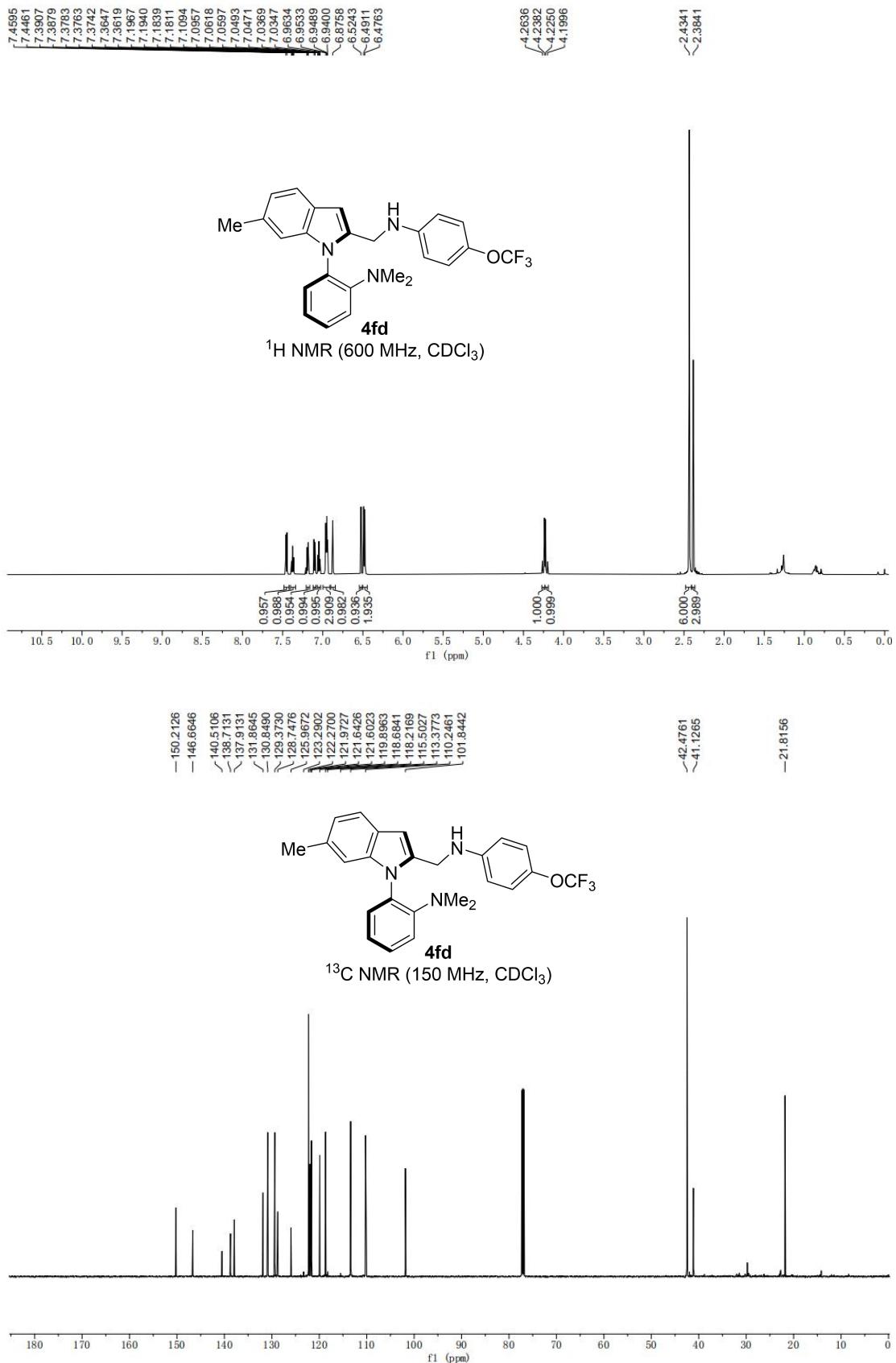


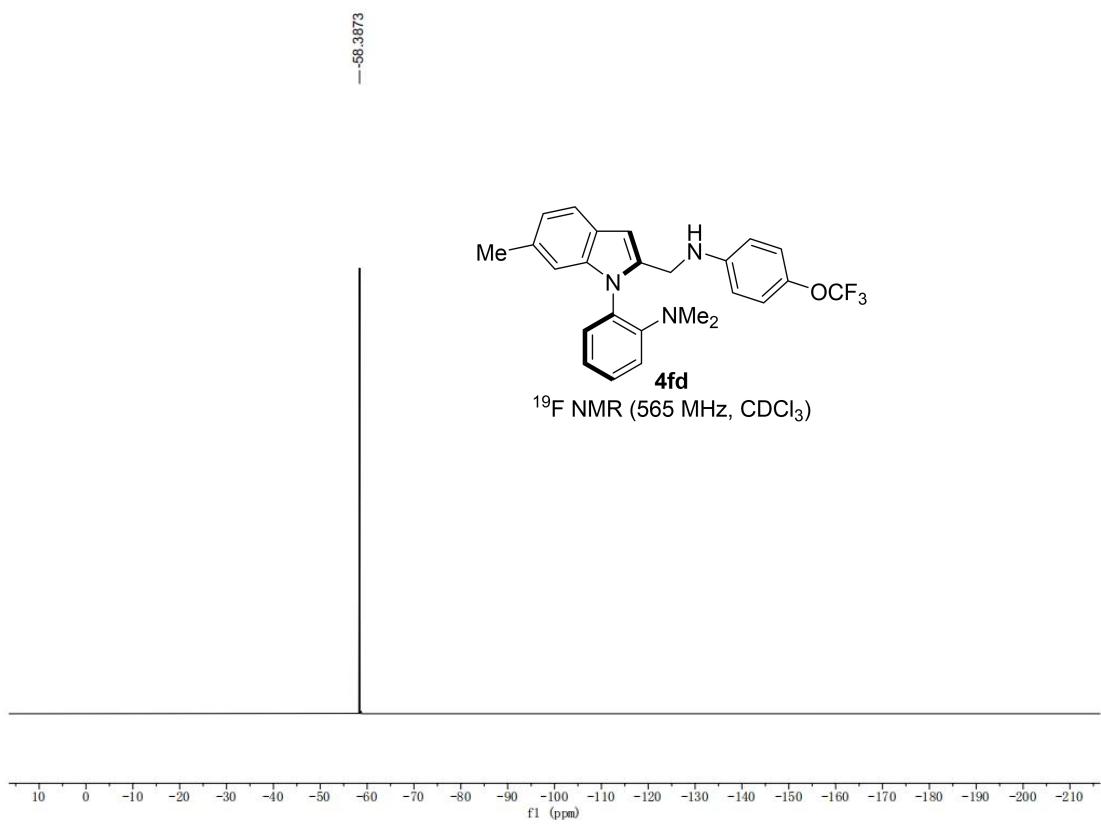


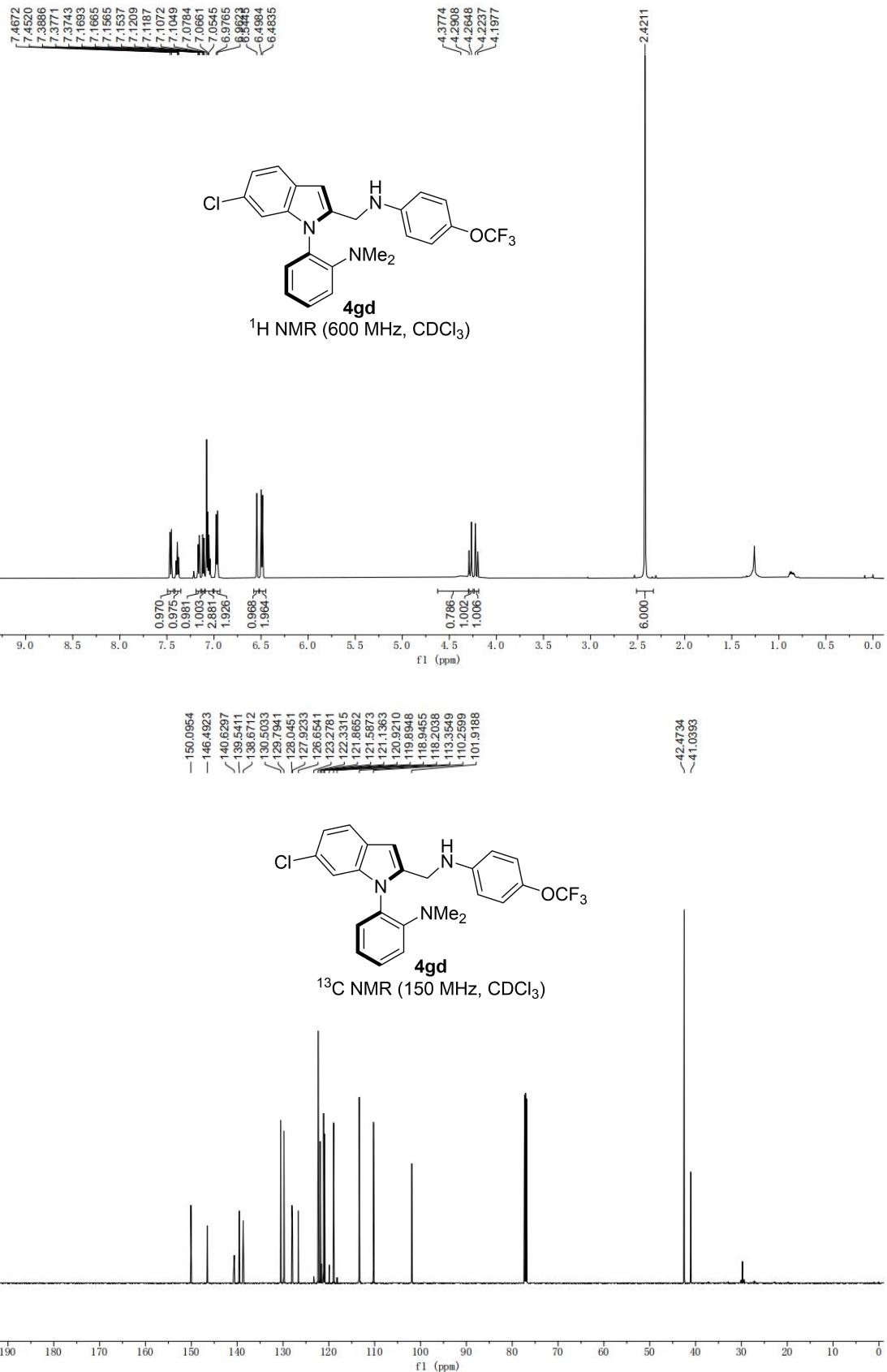


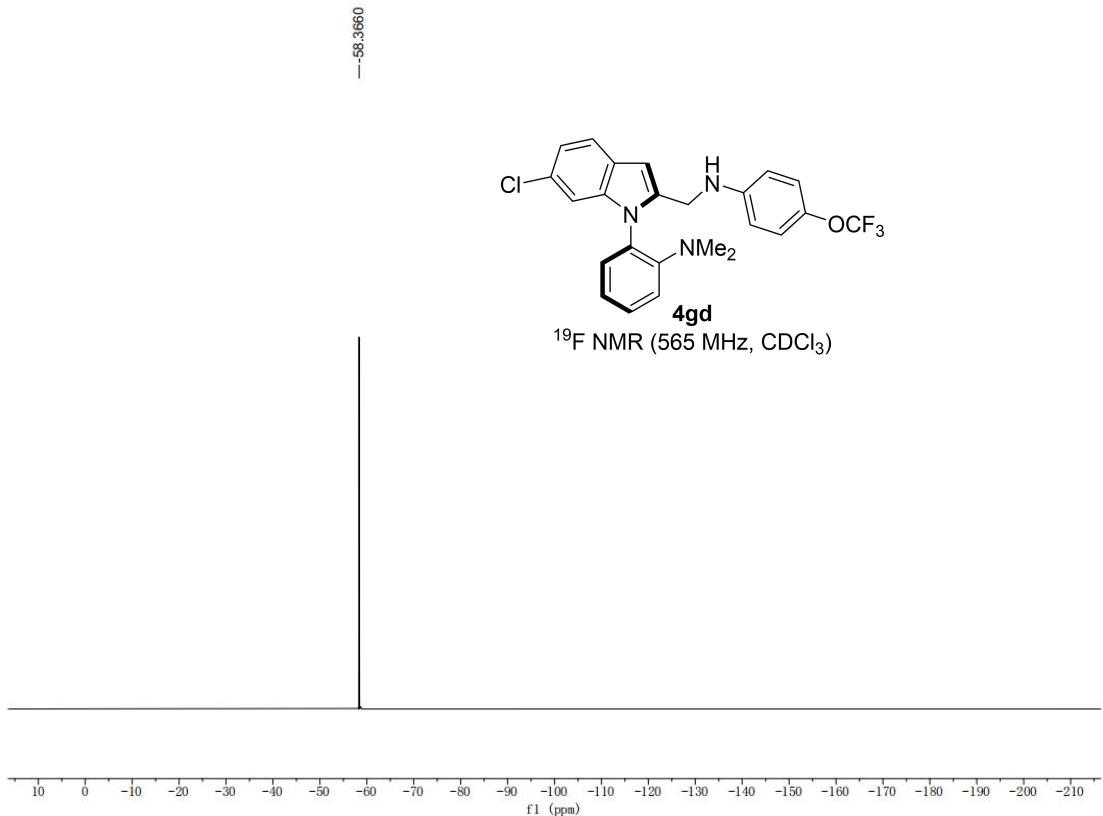


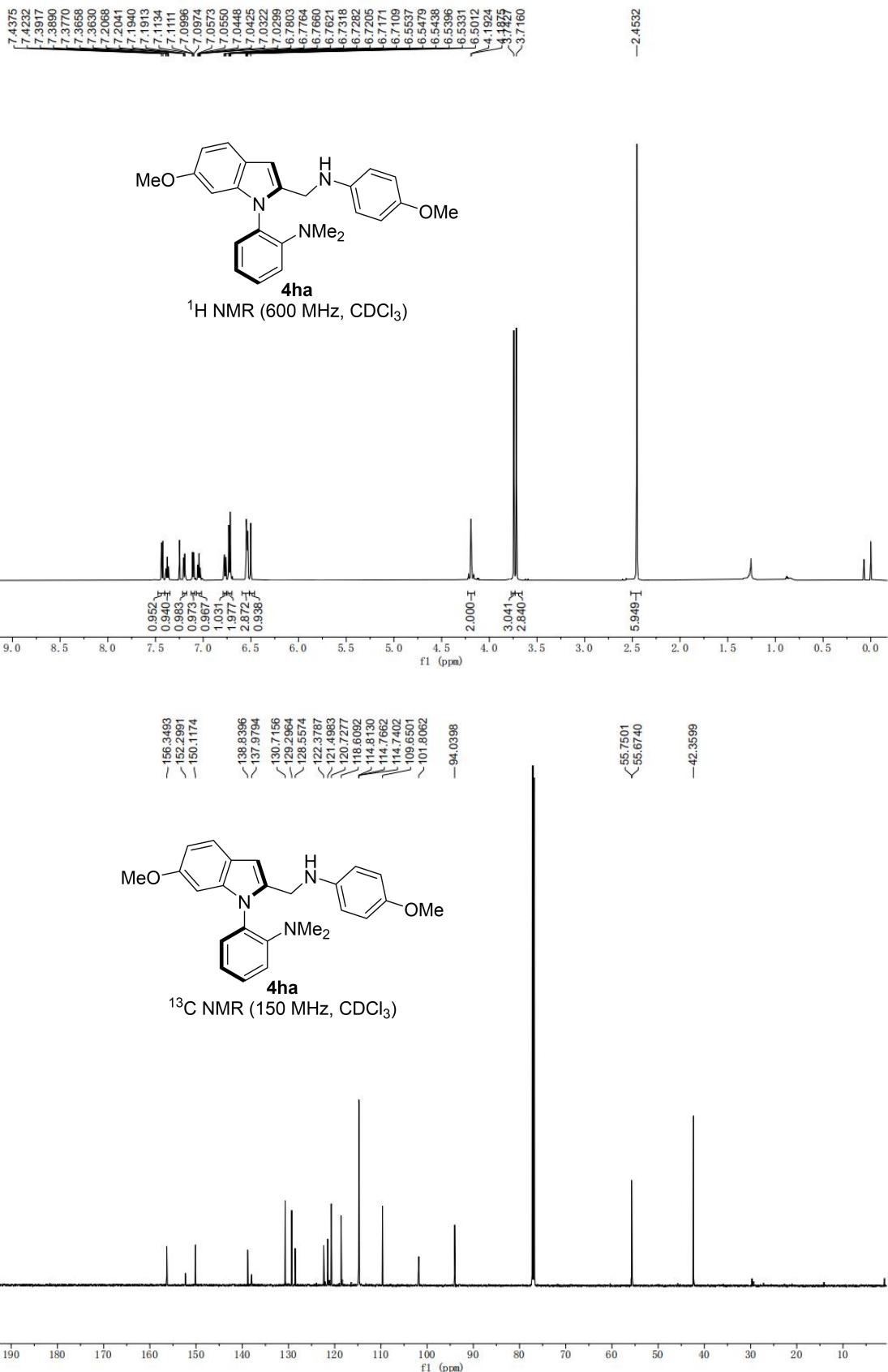


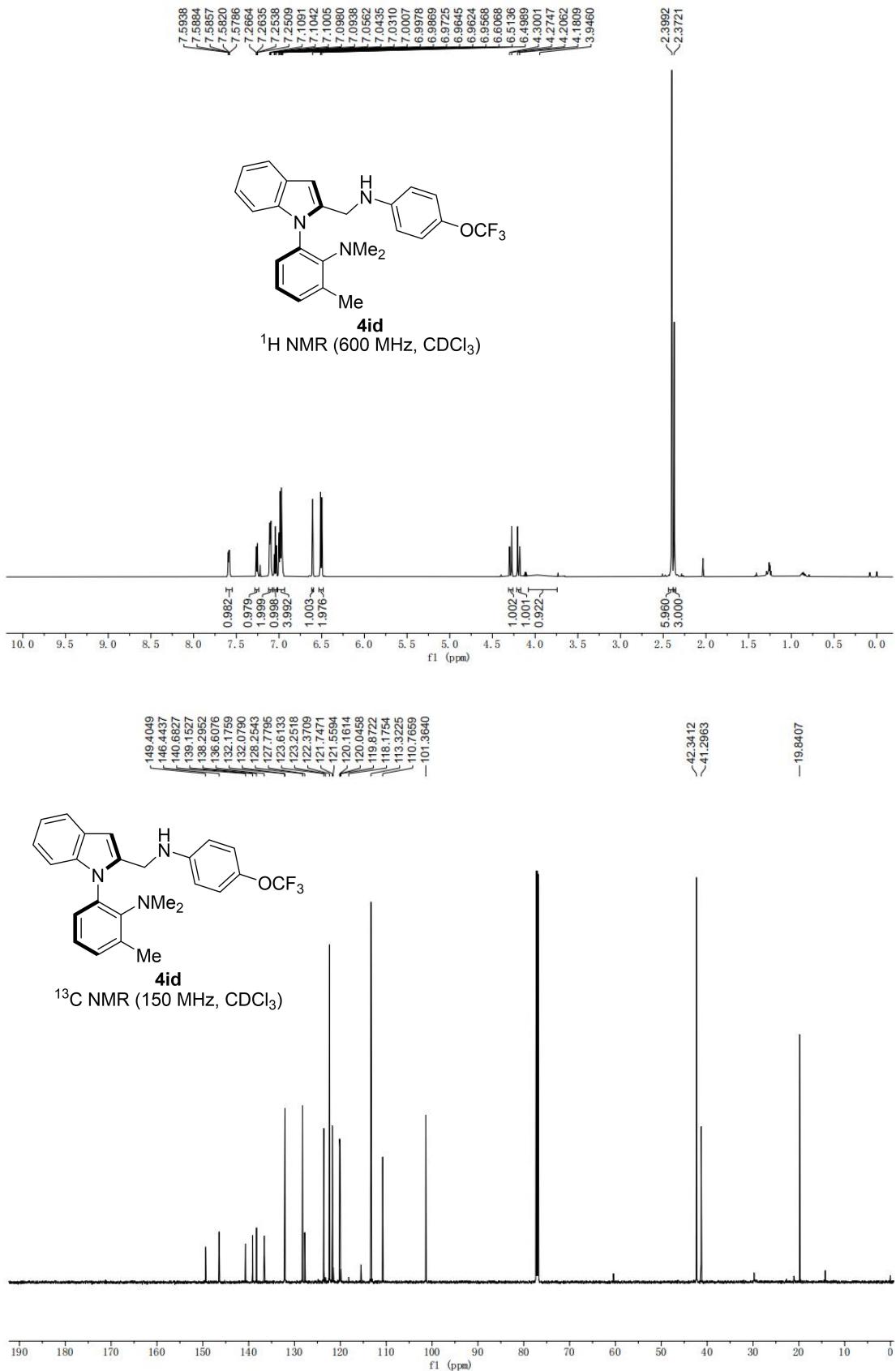


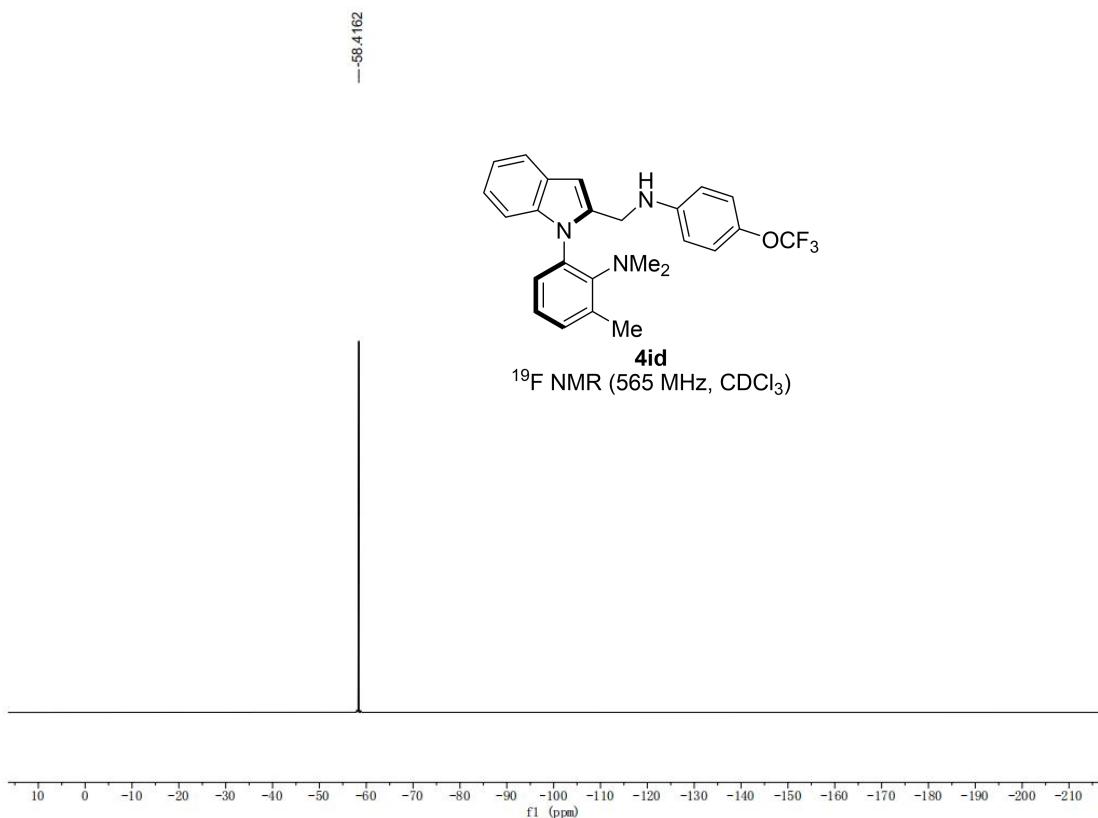


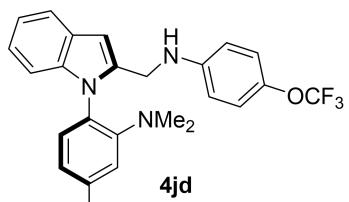
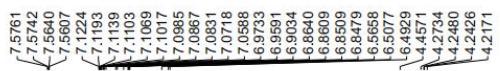




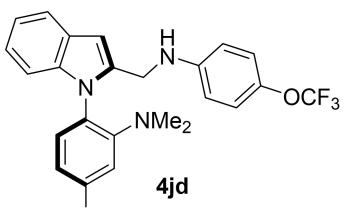
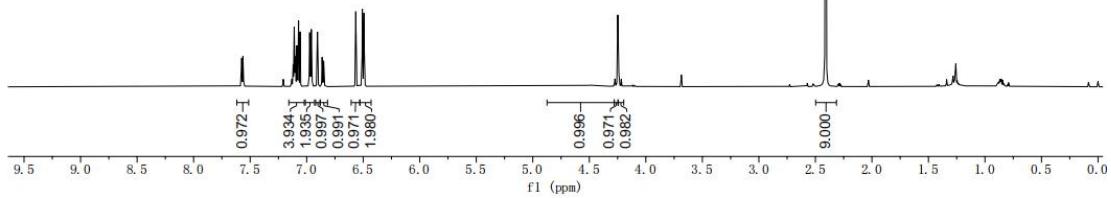




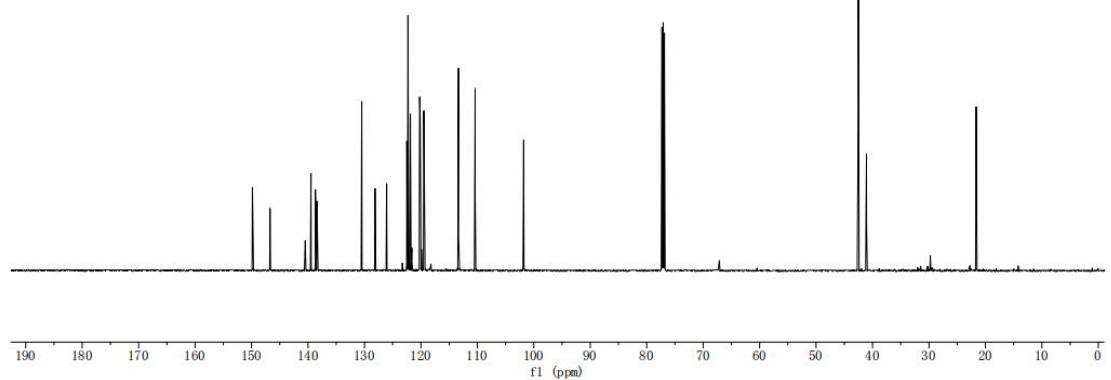




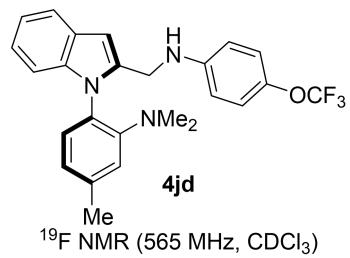
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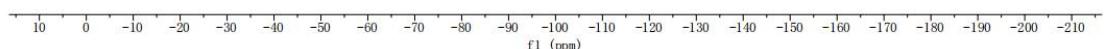
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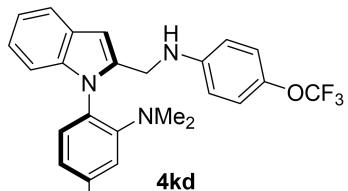


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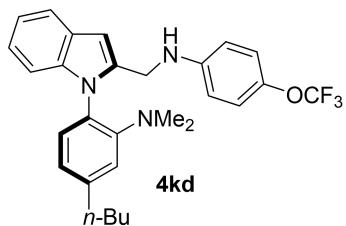
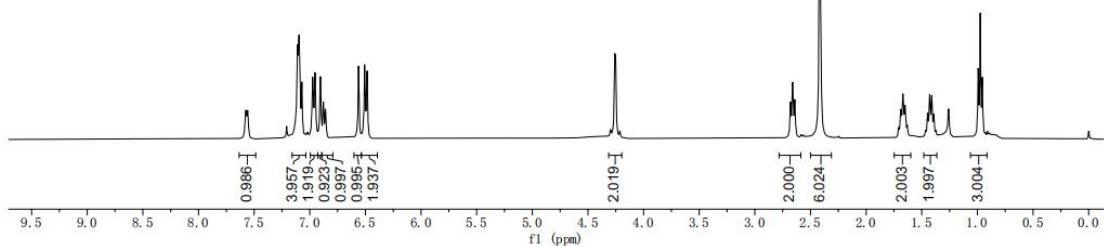


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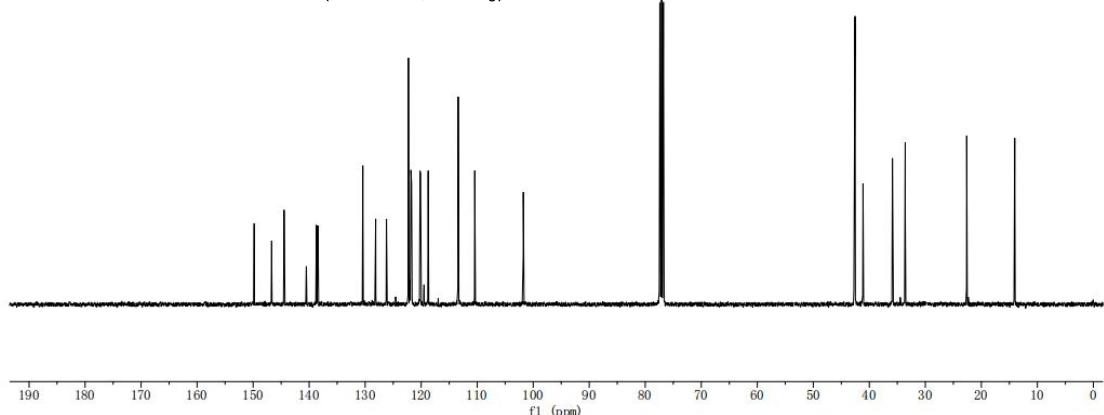


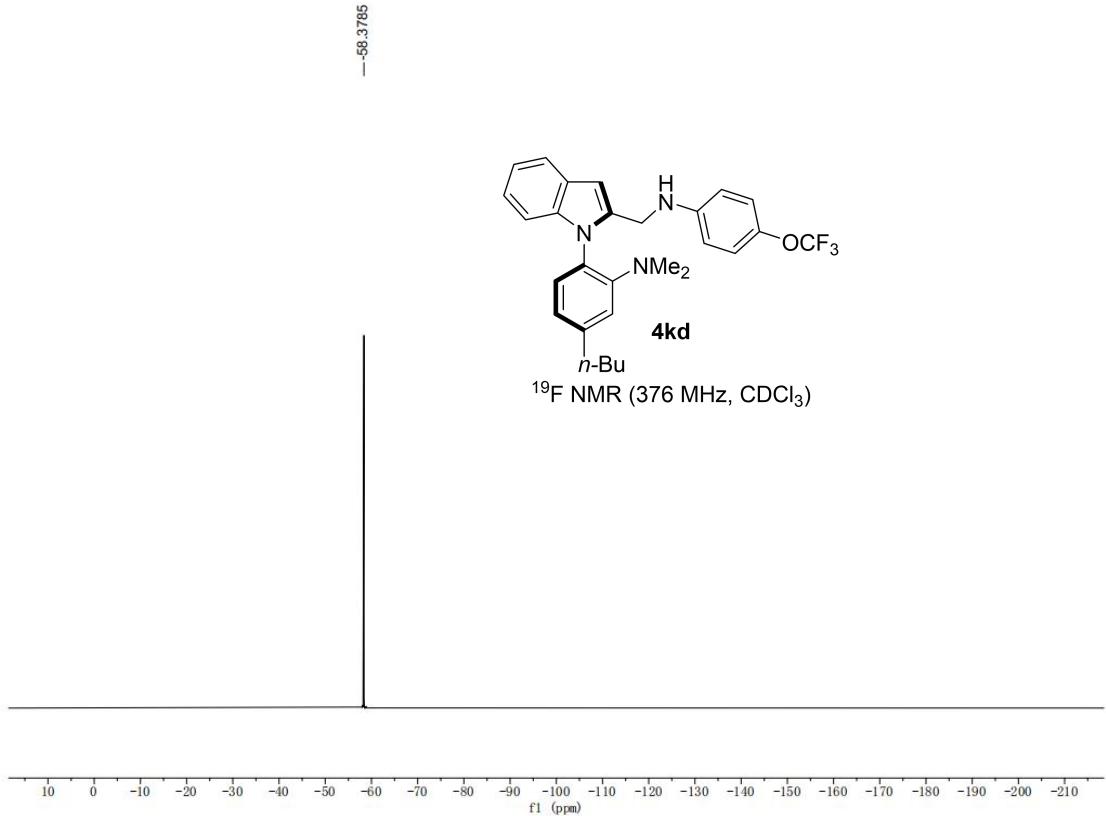


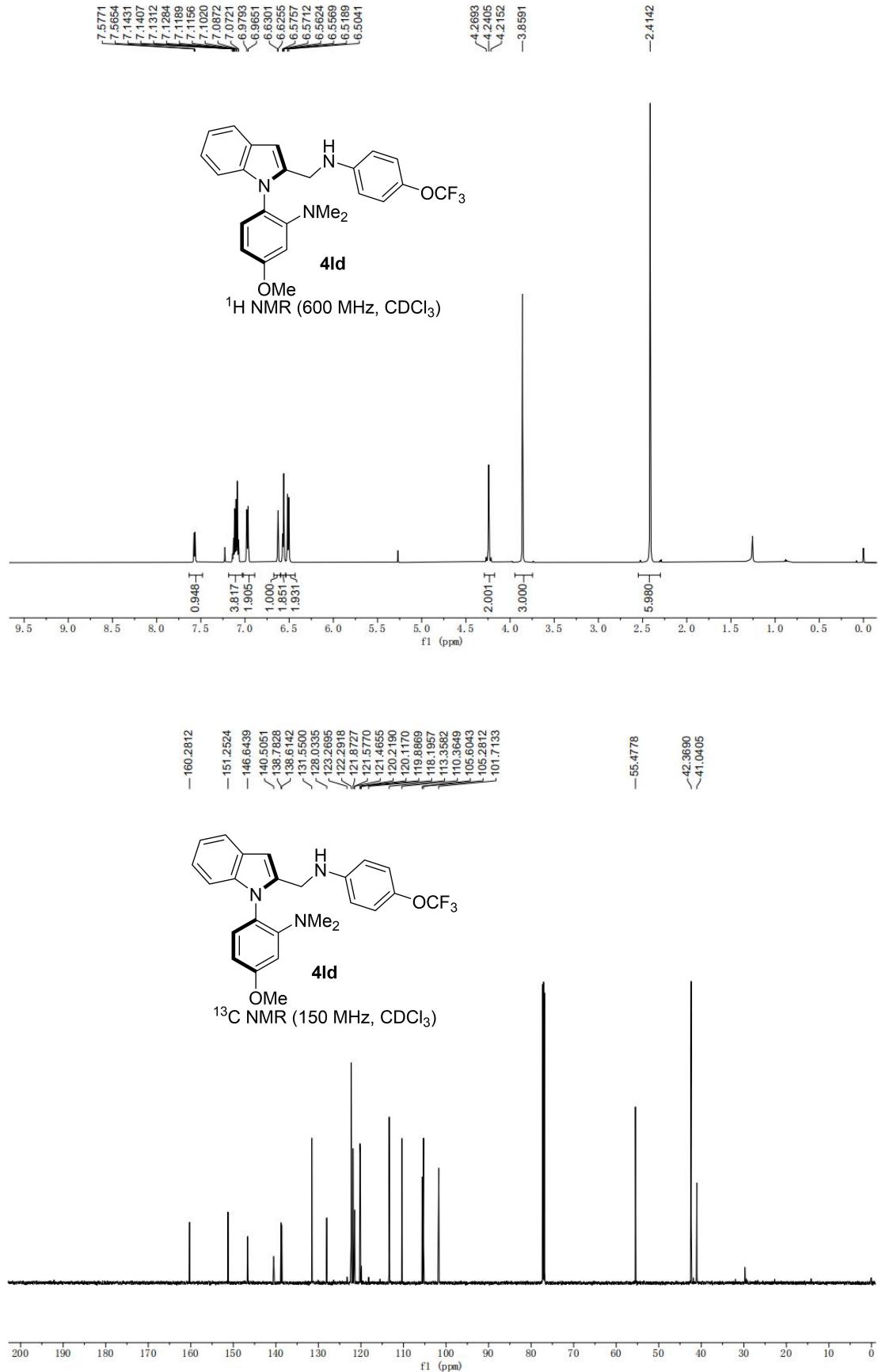
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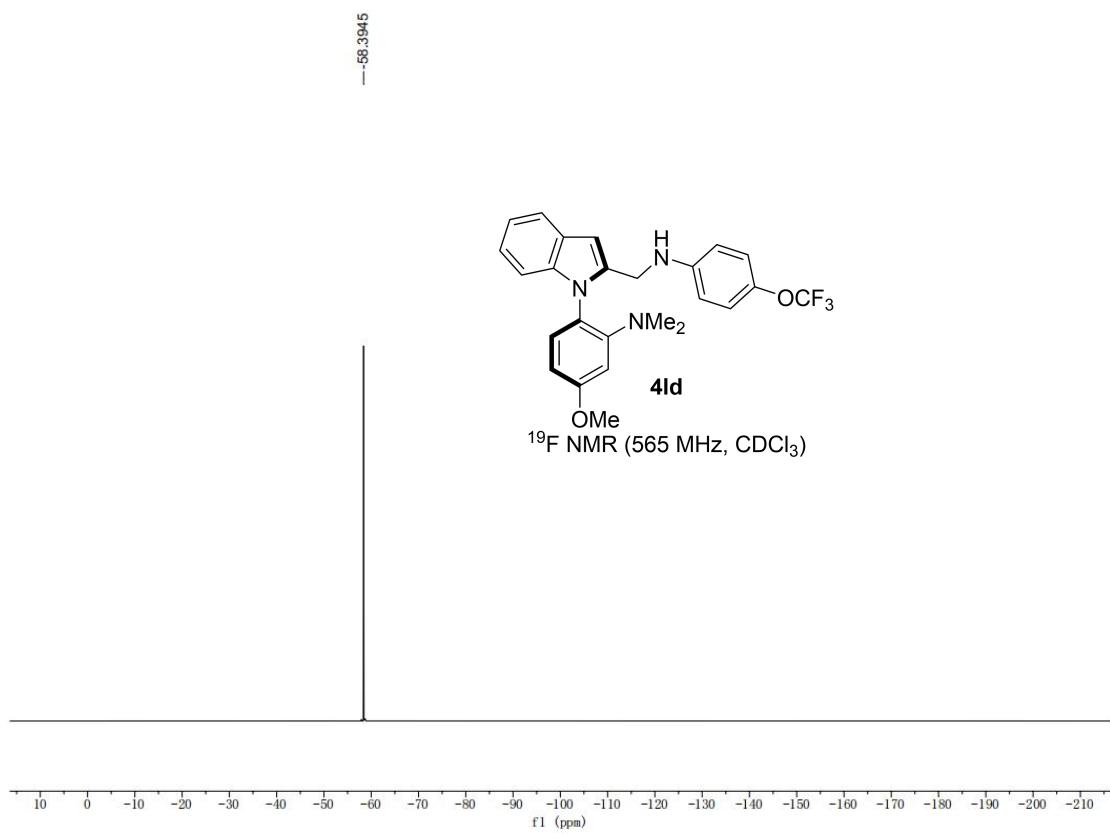


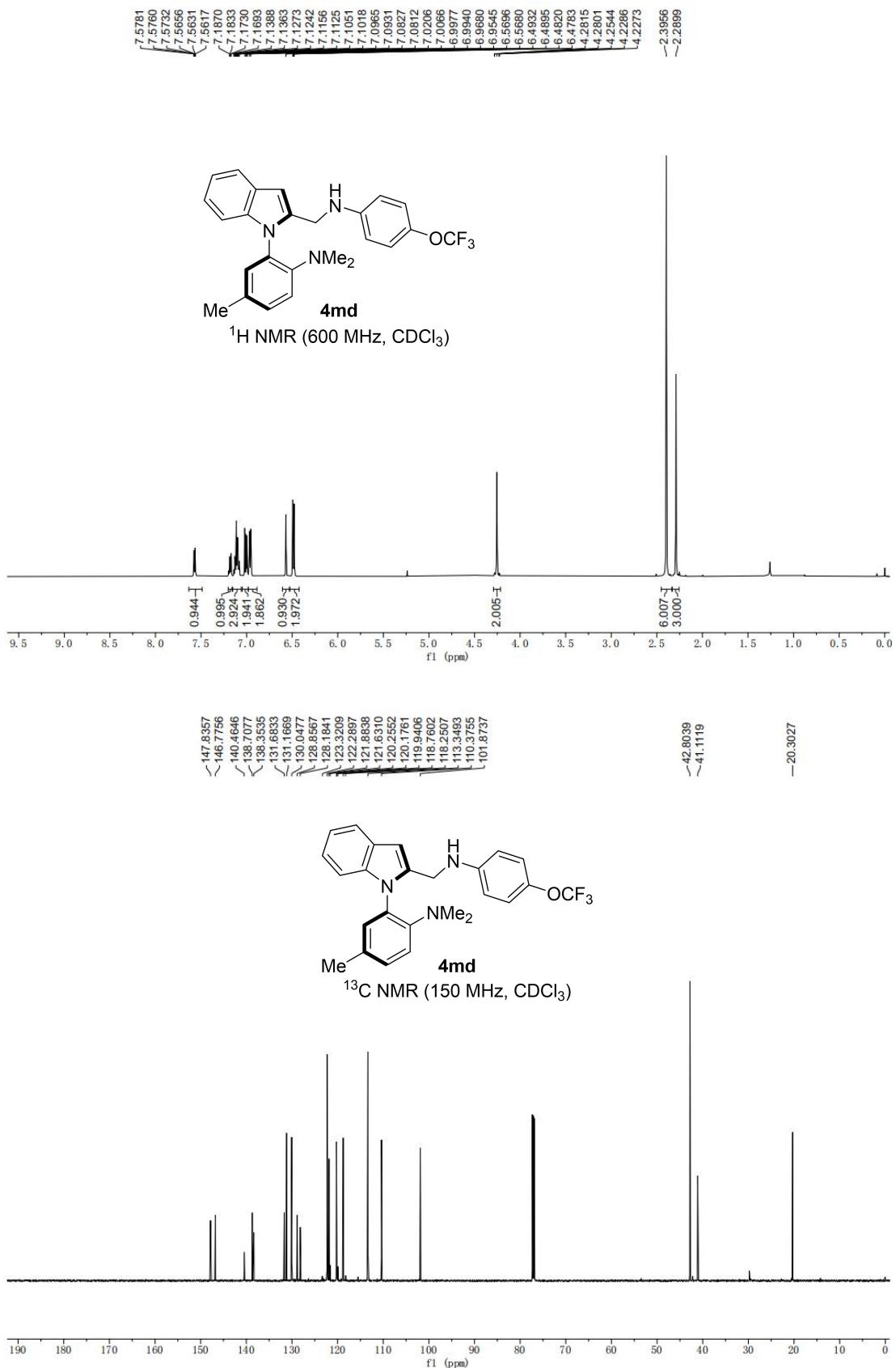
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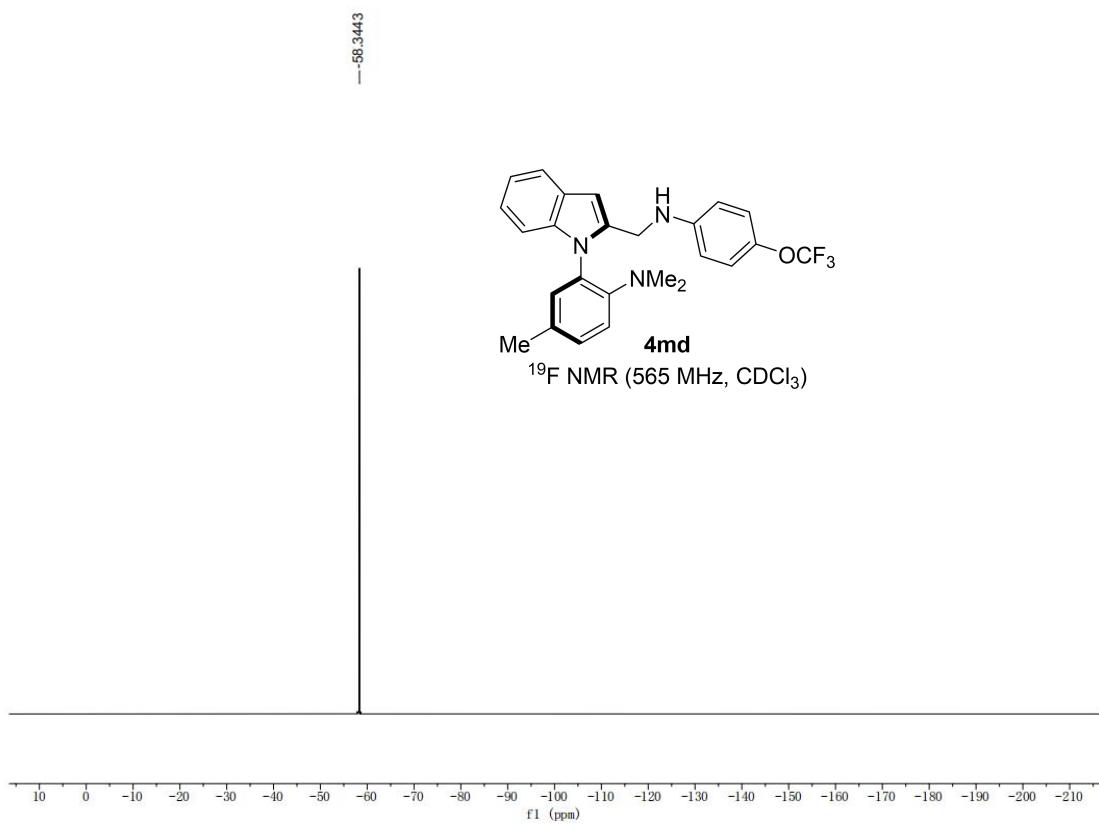


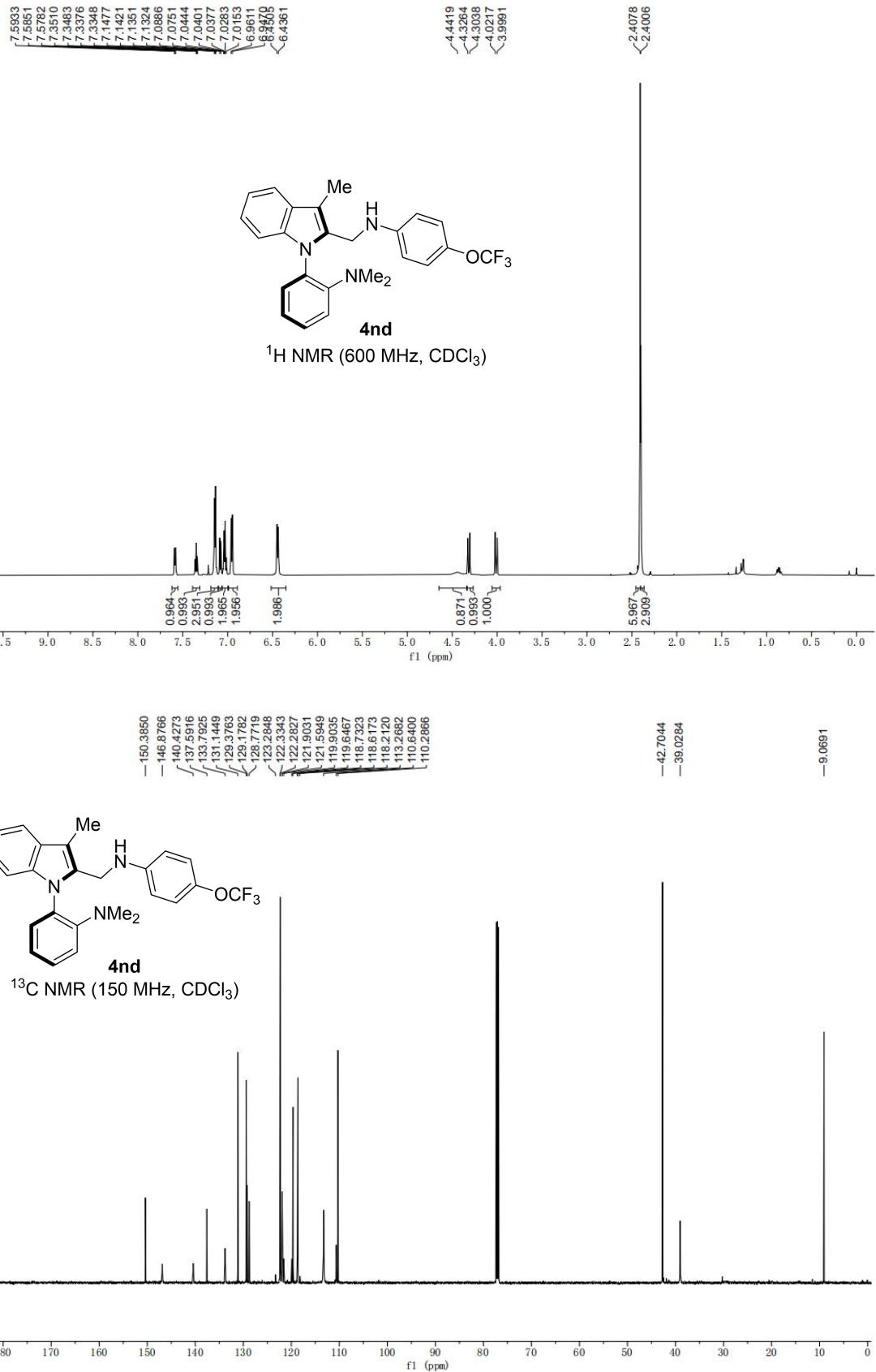


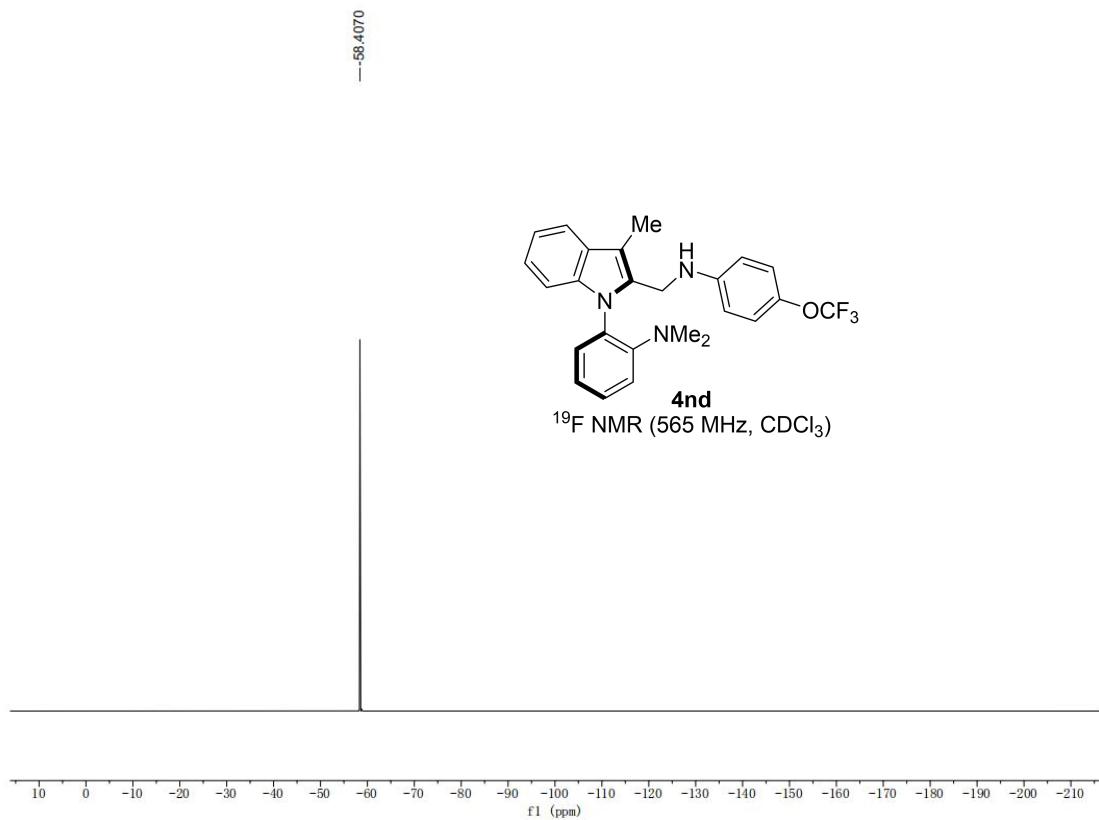


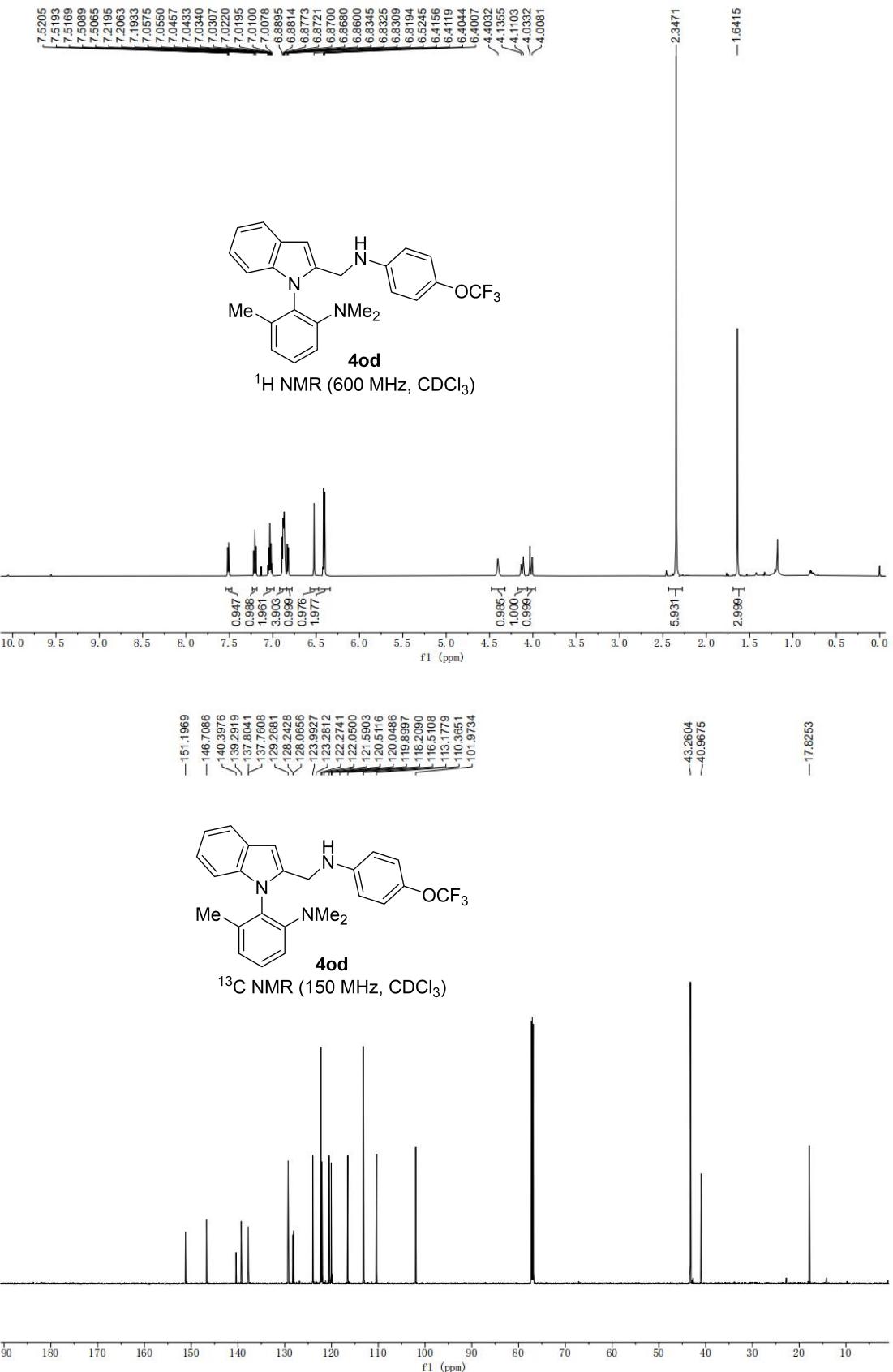


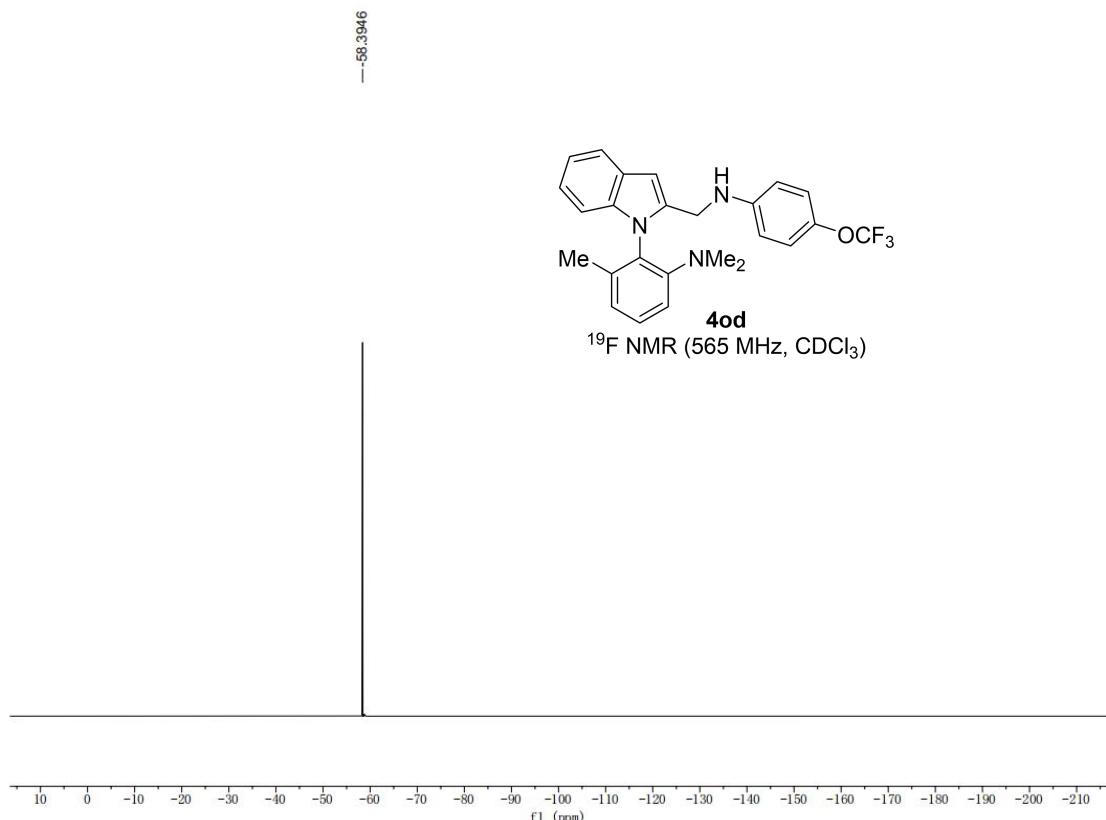


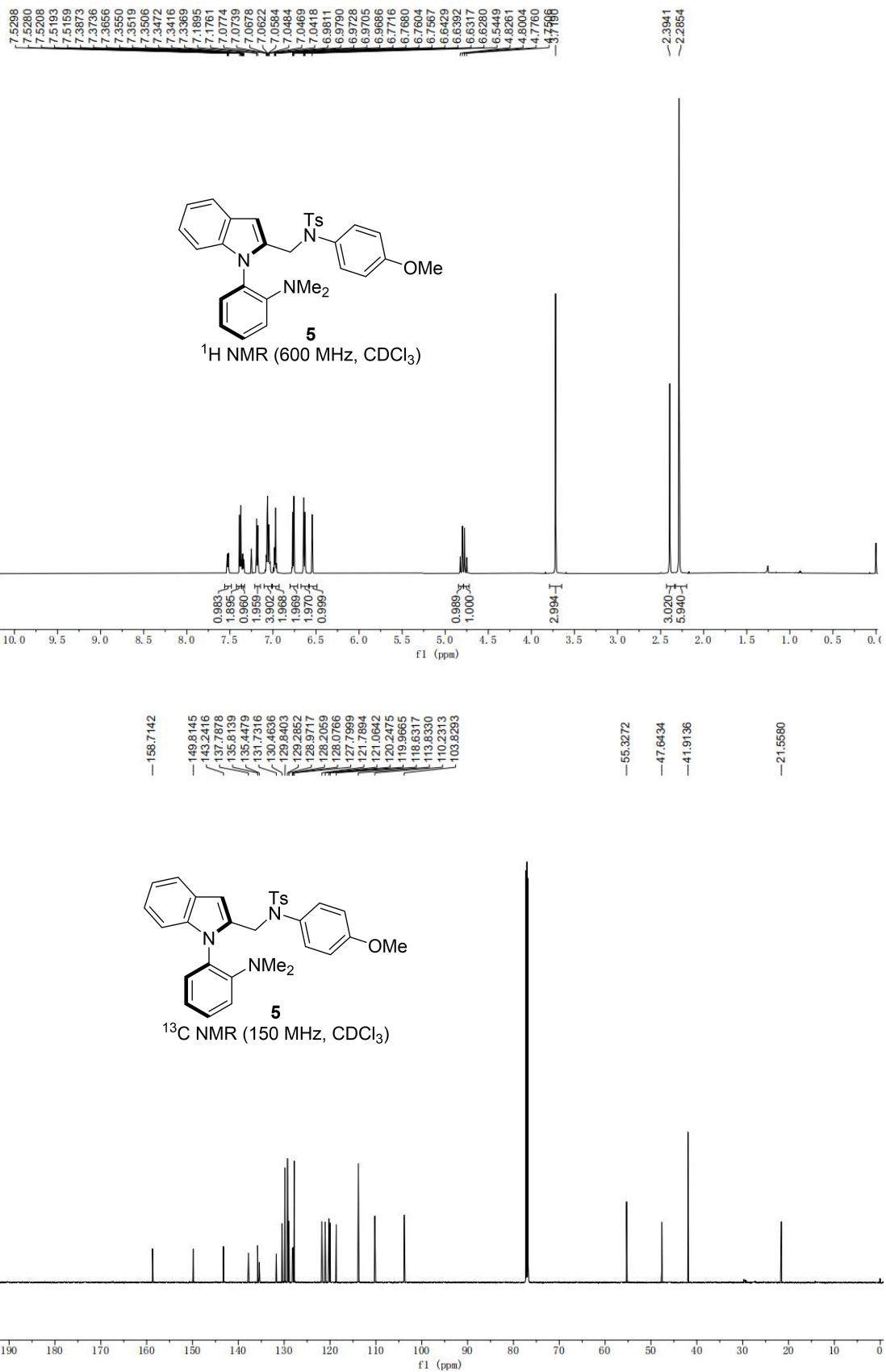












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