

Construction of oxindole spiro medium-sized S-heterocycles via ring expansion [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement

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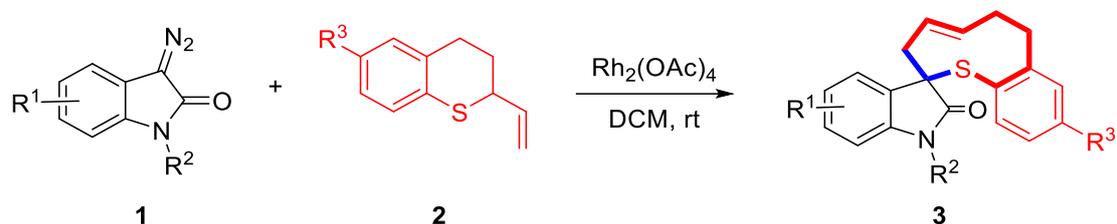
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1. General information

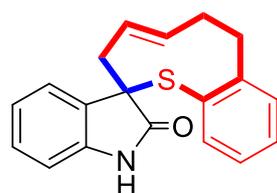
Unless otherwise noted, materials were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200~300 mesh). All ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance II 400 MHz, ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance II 101 MHz, and ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance II 377 MHz with chemical shifts reported as ppm (in CDCl_3 , TMS as an internal standard). Data for ^1H NMR are recorded as follows: chemical shift (δ , ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, dd = double doublet, coupling constants in Hz, integration). HRMS (ESI) was obtained with a HRMS/MS instrument (LTQ Orbitrap XL TM). The substrates diazooxindoles^[1] and vinyl/ethynyl thiochromanes^[2] were prepared based on literature procedures.

2. Experimental procedures and characterization of compounds 3



Substrates **2** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) and Rh₂(OAc)₄ (2 mol%) were introduced into a dried glass tube and add 2 mL dry DCM as solvent, then the diazooxindoles **1** (0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The product was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1 to 3:1) to give the product **3**.

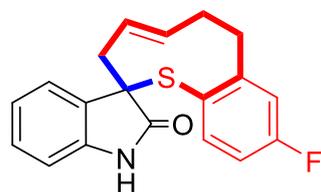
Compound 3a



3a

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (56.3 mg, 92% yield, 2.3:1 dr); mp 168.7-169.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.69 (s, 1H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (ddd, *J* = 15.5, 11.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 6.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.3, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.90 – 2.79 (m, 2H), 2.72 – 2.62 (m, 1H), 2.49 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.04 – 1.95 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.2, 146.1, 142.8, 141.4, 139.4, 132.2, 131.9, 130.7, 130.0, 128.8, 127.2, 125.9, 124.6, 121.4, 110.3, 69.5, 42.0, 37.1, 33.6; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆NOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 306.0958, Found 306.0957.

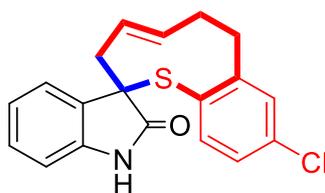
Compound 3b



3b

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (61.5 mg, 95% yield, 2.2:1 dr); mp 171.2-172.0 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.98 (s, 1H), 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (td, *J* = 8.3, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (ddd, *J* = 24.1, 9.8, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 6.12 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.19 – 3.09 (m, 1H), 2.88 – 2.79 (m, 2H), 2.66 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.8, 163.7 (d, *J* = 250.3 Hz), 148.8 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 144.5 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 139.8, 139.1, 130.5, 128.9, 127.5 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 127.1, 124.8, 121.5, 118.8 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 113.0 (d, *J* = 20.7 Hz), 110.3, 69.5, 41.8, 37.4, 33.3; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -111.42; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆FNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 324.0864, Found 324.0862.

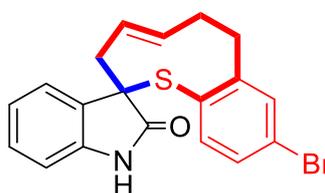
Compound 3c



3c

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (61.9 mg, 91% yield, 2.2:1 dr); mp 190.6-191.7 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.68 (s, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 2H), 7.12 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 – 6.79 (m, 2H), 6.17 (m, 2H), 5.20 (ddd, *J* = 15.5, 11.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.18 – 3.07 (m, 1H), 2.80 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.6, 147.9, 143.8, 142.5, 139.7, 139.1, 136.0, 132.0, 130.4, 129.0, 127.1, 126.0, 124.8, 121.6, 110.3, 69.7, 41.8, 37.1, 33.3; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆ClNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 340.0568, Found 340.0568.

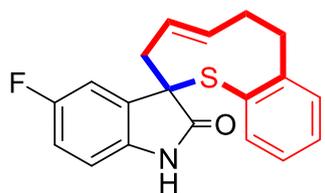
Compound 3d



3d

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (73.6 mg, 96% yield, 1.9:1 dr); mp 196.9-198.3 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.83 (s, 1H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.25 – 6.14 (m, 2H), 6.12 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.18 – 3.07 (m, 1H), 2.84 – 2.78 (m, 2H), 2.69 – 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.50 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.02 – 1.96 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.6, 148.2, 144.0, 139.1, 136.9, 134.9, 131.1, 130.4, 129.0, 129.0, 127.1, 124.9, 124.5, 121.6, 110.3, 69.6, 41.9, 37.0, 33.3; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆BrNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 384.0063, Found 384.0066.

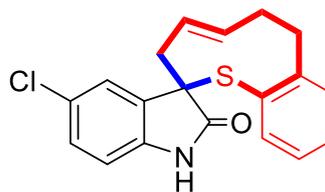
Compound 3e



3e

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (57.3 mg, 88% yield, 2.8:1 dr); mp 178.5-179.3 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (s, 1H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 6.97 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (ddd, *J* = 15.5, 11.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.19 – 3.09 (m, 1H), 2.93 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 2.76 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.04 – 1.97 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.5, 158.0 (d, *J* = 239.9 Hz), 146.2, 142.6, 139.8, 135.5 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 132.5, 132.0 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 131.5, 130.5, 125.9, 123.9, 115.2 (d, *J* = 25.1 Hz), 114.9 (d, *J* = 23.5 Hz), 110.4 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 69.5, 41.7, 37.1, 33.5; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -120.93; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆FNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 324.0864, Found 324.0861.

Compound 3f

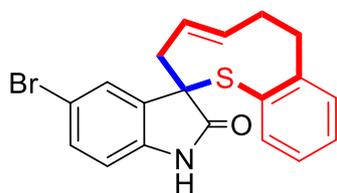


3f

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (58.0 mg, 85% yield, 3.5:1 dr); mp 176.6-177.3 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.27 (s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 16.5, 9.0 Hz, 3H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (s, 1H), 5.19 – 5.06 (m, 1H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1H),

2.77 (t, $J = 11.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.48 (dd, $J = 12.3, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.07 – 1.97 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.8, 146.1, 142.6, 139.7, 138.1, 132.5, 132.1, 131.4, 130.5, 128.5, 127.5, 126.9, 125.8, 124.0, 111.1, 69.4, 41.6, 37.1, 33.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClNOS}^-$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$) 340.0568, Found 340.0569.

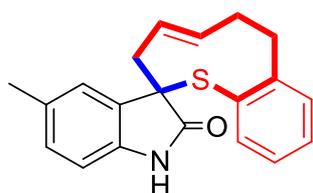
Compound 3g



3g

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (62.5 mg, 81% yield, 3.5:1 dr); mp 176.4-177.5 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.42 (ddd, $J = 10.6, 8.8, 2.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (dd, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.29 – 6.25 (m, 1H), 6.21 (td, $J = 11.0, 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.03 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.11 (ddd, $J = 15.4, 11.4, 4.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.13 (td, $J = 12.6, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dt, $J = 7.7, 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.81 – 2.72 (m, 2H), 2.51 – 2.45 (m, 1H), 2.04 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.8, 146.1, 142.7, 139.7, 138.6, 132.5, 131.4, 131.4, 130.5, 130.2, 125.9, 124.0, 114.2, 111.6, 69.5, 41.6, 37.0, 33.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrNOS}^-$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$) 384.0063, Found 384.0065.

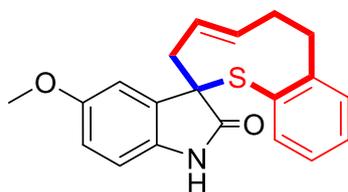
Compound 3h



3h

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (61.6 mg, 96% yield, 3:1 dr); mp 147.8-149.1 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 9.58 (s, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.07 (dd, $J = 12.7, 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.23 (dd, $J = 18.2, 9.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 5.18 (ddd, $J = 15.4, 11.3, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.16 (s, 1H), 2.89 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.76 (dd, $J = 12.0, 6.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.48 (dd, $J = 12.2, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.06 – 1.98 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 178.4, 146.2, 143.0, 139.1, 137.3, 132.1, 132.0, 130.6, 130.5, 129.9, 128.8, 128.1, 125.3, 124.7, 110.0, 69.7, 41.9, 37.1, 33.5, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{NOS}^-$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$) 320.1115, Found 320.1115.

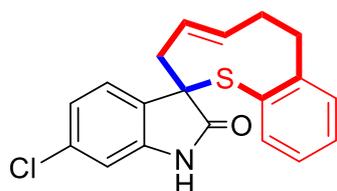
Compound 3i



3i

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (61.9 mg, 92% yield, 2.9:1 dr); mp 171.4-172.2 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 9.61 (s, 1H), 7.30 (td, $J = 8.7, 8.1, 4.6$ Hz, 3H), 6.94 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.35 (dd, $J = 7.9, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.29 – 6.17 (m, 1H), 5.63 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, $J = 12.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.89 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.77 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.49 (dt, $J = 12.2, 2.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.03 – 1.96 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 178.3, 154.5, 146.2, 142.8, 139.4, 133.3, 132.3, 131.8, 131.7, 130.0, 125.8, 124.4, 113.8, 110.8, 69.9, 55.6, 41.9, 37.1, 33.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_2\text{S}^-$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$) 336.1064, Found 336.1065.

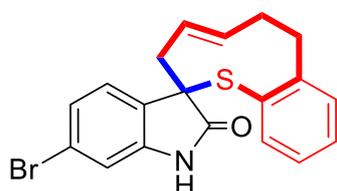
Compound 3j



3j

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (53.3 mg, 78% yield, 2.6:1 dr); mp 190.0-191.2 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.31 (s, 1H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.12 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (ddd, *J* = 15.7, 10.9, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.19 – 5.06 (m, 1H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (t, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.1, 146.2, 142.7, 140.9, 139.7, 134.6, 132.4, 131.7, 130.2, 129.0, 128.0, 126.1, 124.1, 121.4, 110.9, 69.0, 42.0, 37.1, 33.5; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆ClNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 340.0568, Found 340.0570.

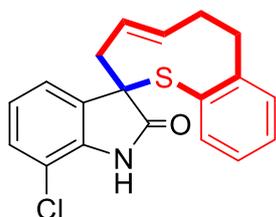
Compound 3k



3k

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (69.8 mg, 91% yield, 2.6:1 dr); mp 201.3-202.0 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.46 (s, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 3H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.29 – 6.16 (m, 1H), 5.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J* = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 2.92 – 2.86 (m, 1H), 2.81 – 2.72 (m, 2H), 2.51 – 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.00 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.4, 146.2, 142.7, 141.2, 139.7, 132.4, 132.4, 130.3, 129.6, 128.3, 126.1, 124.3, 124.1, 122.5, 113.9, 69.1, 42.0, 37.1, 33.6; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆BrNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 384.0063, Found 384.0065.

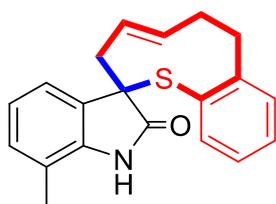
Compound 3l



3l

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (56.1 mg, 82% yield, 1.7:1 dr); mp 196.7-197.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 6.73 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.33 – 6.26 (m, 1H), 6.20 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (td, *J* = 12.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.92 – 2.80 (m, 2H), 2.67 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.9, 146.2, 142.7, 141.2, 139.7, 132.3, 131.9, 131.7, 130.2, 128.6, 125.9, 125.5, 124.1, 122.2, 115.1, 70.1, 41.8, 37.1, 33.5; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆ClNOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 340.0568, Found 340.0568.

Compound 3m

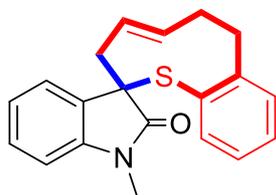


3m

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (60.8 mg, 95% yield, 1.9:1 dr); mp 201.8-202.7 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.07 (q, *J* = 5.8, 3.9 Hz, 2H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (ddd, *J* = 15.5, 11.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (ddd, *J* = 15.3, 11.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.20 – 3.12 (m, 1H), 2.87 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.81 – 2.73 (m, 2H), 2.48 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.03 – 1.97 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101

MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.5, 146.0, 142.9, 141.3, 139.2, 136.9, 132.1, 132.0, 130.0, 129.9, 125.8, 124.7, 124.6, 121.2, 119.7, 70.0, 42.0, 37.1, 33.6, 16.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈NOS⁻ ([M-H]⁻) 320.1115, Found 320.1112.

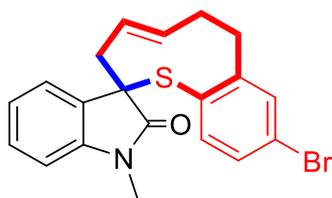
Compound 3n



3n

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (63.6 mg, 99% yield, 2.8:1 dr); mp 136.3-137.2 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 6.94 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.89 – 6.82 (m, 1H), 6.81 – 6.76 (m, 1H), 6.28 – 6.15 (m, 2H), 6.07 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 3.14 (td, *J* = 12.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 2.87 – 2.71 (m, 3H), 2.40 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.02 – 1.94 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.5, 146.1, 142.7, 141.4, 139.2, 132.1, 132.1, 130.1, 129.9, 128.7, 126.9, 125.7, 124.7, 121.3, 108.2, 68.9, 42.1, 37.0, 33.6, 26.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₀NOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 322.1260, Found 322.1257.

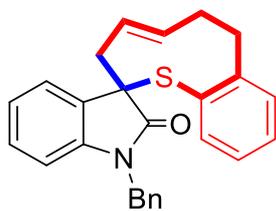
Compound 3o



3o

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (76.4 mg, 96% yield, 2.4:1 dr); mp 163.1-164.0 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.42 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 11.5, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 3.09 (td, *J* = 12.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (dd, *J* = 13.3, 10.2 Hz, 3H), 2.40 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.3, 148.2, 143.9, 142.4, 138.9, 134.8, 131.3, 129.8, 128.9, 128.8, 126.8, 125.0, 124.3, 121.5, 108.4, 69.1, 41.9, 36.9, 33.2, 26.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉BrNOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 400.0365, Found 400.0364.

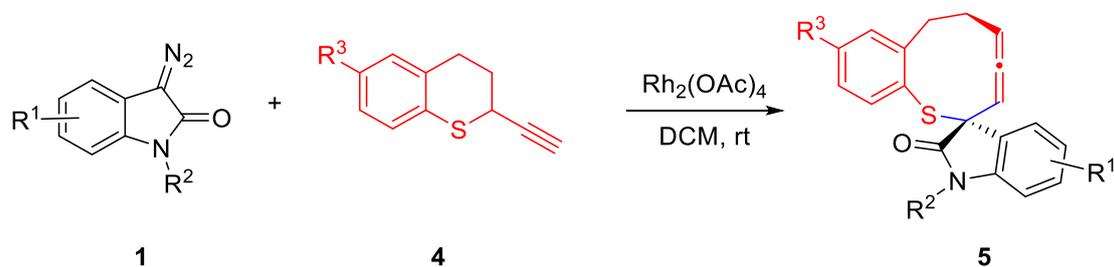
Compound 3p



3p

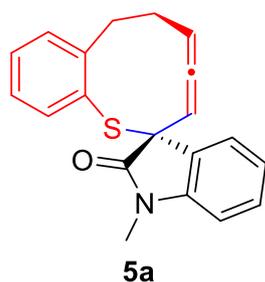
Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (73.5 mg, 93% yield, 2:1 dr); mp 148.9-150.2 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.37 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (ddd, *J* = 20.7, 13.9, 7.9 Hz, 3H), 6.25 (td, *J* = 14.1, 12.6, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dd, *J* = 28.8, 13.8 Hz, 2H), 4.89 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 2H), 2.76 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.03 – 1.94 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.7, 146.1, 142.8, 139.3, 135.7, 132.1, 130.1, 129.9, 128.8, 128.5, 127.6, 127.6, 127.1, 127.0, 125.8, 124.7, 124.5, 121.4, 109.2, 69.1, 43.8, 41.9, 37.1, 33.6; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₄NOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 398.1573, Found 398.1573.

3. Experimental procedures and characterization of compounds 5



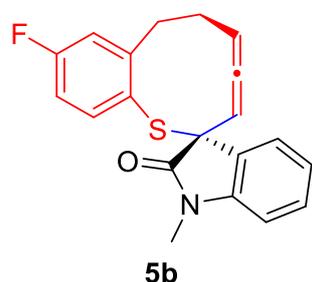
Substrates **4** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) and Rh₂(OAc)₄ (2 mol%) were introduced into a dried glass tube and add 2 mL dry DCM as solvent, then the diazooxindoles **1** (0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The product was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1 to 3:1) to give the product **5**.

Compound 5a



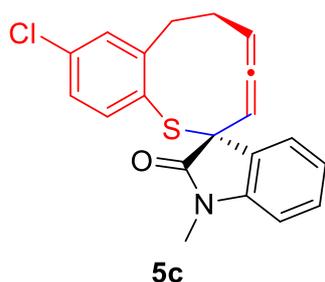
Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (60.5 mg, 95% yield); mp 158.3-159.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.07 – 6.91 (m, 1H), 6.88 – 6.53 (m, 3H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.16 – 2.76 (m, 2H), 2.69 – 2.55 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.8, 174.4, 149.8, 142.5, 141.9, 130.3, 130.0, 128.5, 125.7, 125.2, 121.7, 108.0, 97.0, 93.3, 54.6, 35.5, 30.6, 26.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈NOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 320.1104, Found 320.1100.

Compound 5b



Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (49.4 mg, 73% yield); mp 147.2-148.5 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.11 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 3H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 6.04 (s, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.07 (s, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.64 – 2.55 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.8, 174.2, 164.0 (d, *J* = 251.9 Hz), 152.6, 144.4, 142.0, 128.6, 126.0, 125.1, 121.7, 116.7 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 113.3 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 97.1, 93.1, 54.7, 35.5, 31.0, 26.7; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -109.85; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₇FNOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 338.1009, Found 338.1005.

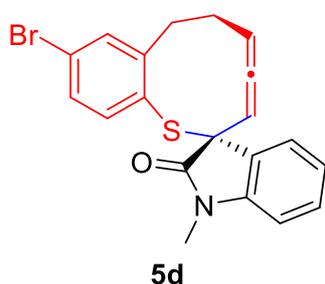
Compound 5c



5c

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (60.9 mg, 86% yield); mp 169.1-170.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.89 – 6.58 (m, 3H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 5.35 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.06 (s, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.64 – 2.55 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.8, 174.1, 151.6, 143.5, 142.0, 136.6, 130.1, 128.7, 126.1, 125.1, 121.8, 108.2, 97.0, 93.2, 54.7, 35.4, 30.8, 26.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₇ClNOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 354.0714, Found 354.0716.

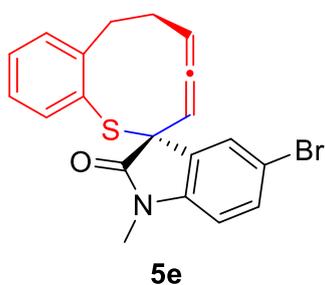
Compound 5d



5d

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (73.8 mg, 93% yield); mp 178.7-179.6 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.53 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 3.01 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 2.53 – 2.37 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.8, 171.6, 150.9, 142.5, 142.3, 133.1, 132.9, 129.6, 129.5, 129.1, 129.0, 125.0, 123.3, 122.8, 108.3, 108.2, 94.4, 92.4, 52.9, 34.5, 31.7, 26.5; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₇BrNOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 398.0209, Found 398.0210.

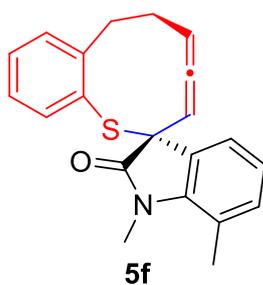
Compound 5e



5e

Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (67.0 mg, 84% yield); mp 173.3-174.0 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 3.50 (s, 1H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.07 – 2.76 (m, 2H), 2.64 – 2.55 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.6, 173.8, 149.7, 142.6, 140.9, 131.0, 130.7, 130.1, 128.4, 125.9, 114.5, 109.4, 96.4, 93.7, 54.4, 35.3, 30.5, 26.8; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₇BrNOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 398.0209, Found 398.0208.

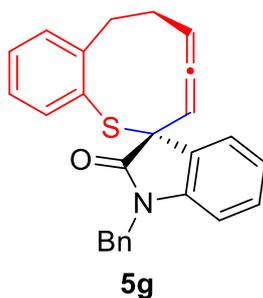
Compound 5f



5f

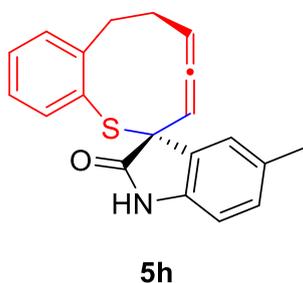
Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (64.4 mg, 97% yield); mp 164.7-165.9 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.45 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 78.1 Hz, 2H), 6.29 (s, 1H), 5.89 (s, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 3.58 (s, 4H), 3.16 – 2.80 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 4H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.9, 175.3, 149.9, 142.6, 139.7, 132.3, 130.3, 130.0, 129.2, 125.7, 123.3, 121.6, 119.5, 97.1, 93.3, 54.2, 35.5, 30.7, 30.1, 19.2; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₀NOS⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 334.1260, Found 334.1261.

Compound 5g



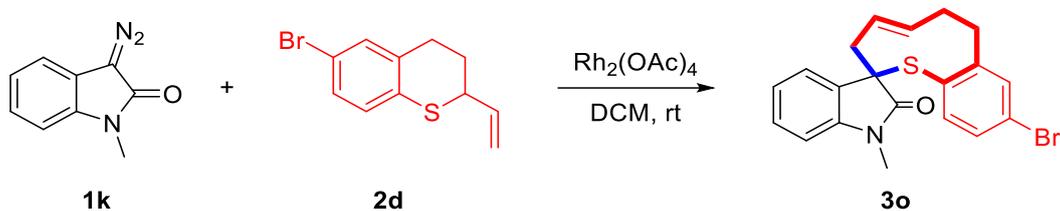
Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (70.4 mg, 89% yield); mp 139.4-140.6 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.9, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.13 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.83 – 6.55 (m, 3H), 6.38 (s, 1H), 6.02 (s, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 5.12 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 1H), 3.15 – 2.80 (m, 2H), 2.69 – 2.58 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.9, 174.5, 149.8, 142.6, 141.0, 135.6, 130.3, 130.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.6, 127.1, 125.7, 125.3, 121.7, 109.1, 96.9, 93.4, 54.9, 43.9, 35.5, 30.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z Calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{22}\text{NOS}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 396.1417, Found 396.1420.

Compound 5h

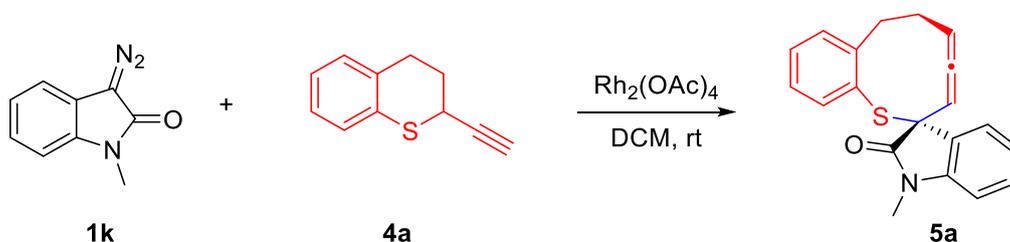


Prepared according to the procedure as pink solid (59.8 mg, 94% yield); mp 144.7-145.9 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.70 (s, 1H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 6.86 – 6.66 (m, 2H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 5.35 (s, 1H), 3.61 (s, 1H), 3.14 – 2.80 (m, 2H), 2.66 (s, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 207.6, 175.6, 149.9, 142.5, 138.1, 130.9, 130.7, 130.3, 129.9, 129.1, 126.3, 127.0, 109.7, 109.7, 96.7, 94.0, 55.4, 35.3, 30.7, 21.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{NNaOS}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$) 342.0923, Found 342.0925.

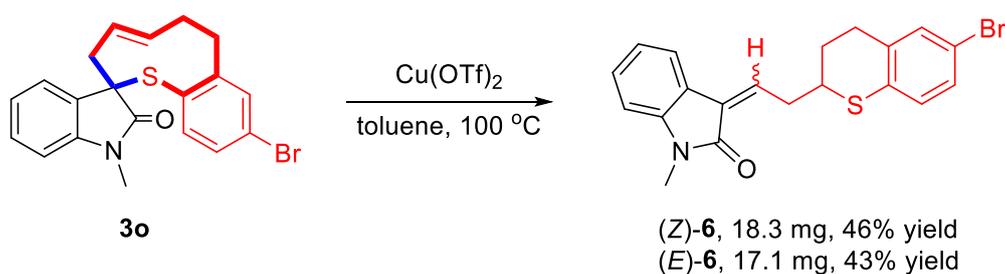
4. Scale-up reactions and transformations



Substrates **2d** (4 mmol, 1 equiv) and $\text{Rh}_2(\text{OAc})_4$ (2 mol%) were introduced into a dried glass tube and add 40 mL dry DCM as solvent, then the diazooxindole **1k** (4.8 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The product was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1 to 3:1) to give the product **3o** (1.52 g, 95% yield).

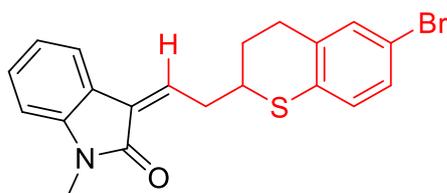


Substrates **4a** (2 mmol, 1 equiv) and $\text{Rh}_2(\text{OAc})_4$ (2 mol%) were introduced into a dried glass tube and add 20 mL dry DCM as solvent, then the diazooxindoles **1k** (2.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The product was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1 to 3:1) to give the product **5a** (586 mg, 92% yield).



Compound **3o** (0.1 mmol) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$ (10 mol%) were introduced into a dried glass tube and add 1 mL dry toluene as solvent, then the reaction was conducted at 100 °C. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The product was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1 to 3:1) to give the desired products.

Compound (Z)-6

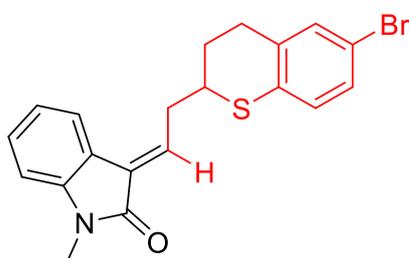


(Z)-6

Prepared according to the procedure as yellow solid (18.3 mg, 46% yield); mp 105.4-106.3 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.05 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 – 3.49 (m, 2H), 3.31 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 2.97 – 2.77 (m, 2H), 2.37 – 2.25 (m, 1H), 1.92 (dtd, *J* = 13.8, 9.7, 4.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.1, 142.4, 136.9, 135.8, 132.3, 132.3, 129.4, 129.1, 129.0, 128.0, 122.6, 122.0, 119.3, 117.3, 108.0, 41.9, 33.7, 29.1, 29.0, 25.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈BrNNaOS⁺ ([M+Na]⁺) 422.0185, Found 422.0179.

Compound (E)-6

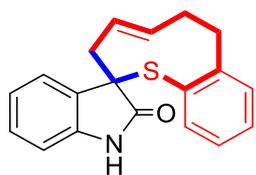


(E)-6

Prepared according to the procedure as yellow solid (17.1 mg, 43% yield); mp 107.6-108.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (ddd, *J* = 8.3, 4.2 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.04 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.95 – 2.77 (m, 2H), 2.42 – 2.26 (m, 1H), 2.01 – 1.79 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.5, 144.0, 136.4, 135.5, 132.3, 132.1, 129.6, 129.4, 128.0, 123.6,

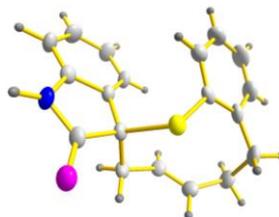
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4. X-ray crystal structures



3a

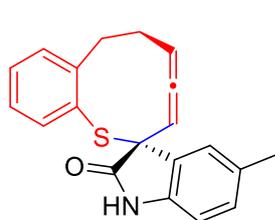
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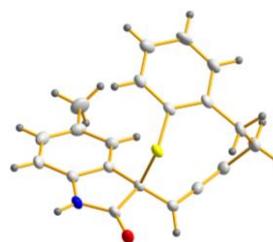
Crystal data and structure refinement for **3a**.

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Formula weight	307.39
Temperature/K	173.0
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c
a/Å	11.2703(15)
b/Å	9.7437(12)
c/Å	17.104(2)
α/°	90
β/°	94.312(3)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1872.9(4)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.090
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.174
F(000)	648.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.24 × 0.11 × 0.1
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	5.776 to 50.054
Index ranges	-13 ≤ h ≤ 13, -11 ≤ k ≤ 11, -20 ≤ l ≤ 20
Reflections collected	16332
Independent reflections	3271 [R _{int} = 0.0863, R _{sigma} = 0.0679]
Data/restraints/parameters	3271/0/203
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.031
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0688, wR ₂ = 0.1463
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0975, wR ₂ = 0.1602
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.41/-0.30



5h

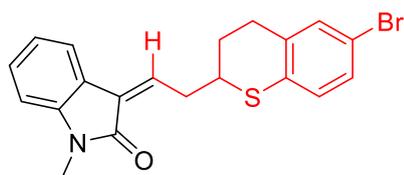
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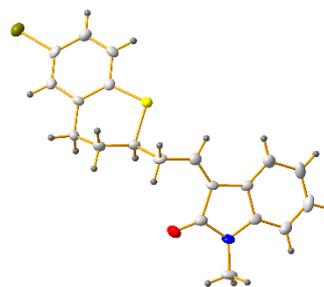
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b/Å	14.1257(11)
c/Å	14.1169(11)
α/°	90
β/°	95.904(2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1594.1(2)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.331
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.207
F(000)	672.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.2 × 0.2 × 0.2
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	4.09 to 58.81
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11, -19 ≤ k ≤ 19, -19 ≤ l ≤ 19
Reflections collected	24917
Independent reflections	4332 [R _{int} = 0.0782, R _{sigma} = 0.0738]
Data/restraints/parameters	4332/0/209
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.096
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0686, wR ₂ = 0.1561
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.1119, wR ₂ = 0.2076
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.82/-0.83



(Z)-6

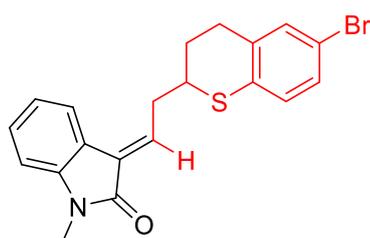
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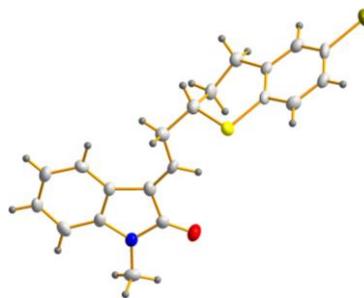
Crystal data and structure refinement for (Z)-6.

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a/Å	16.640(5)
b/Å	13.250(4)
c/Å	7.717(2)
α/°	90
β/°	95.778(8)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1692.8(9)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.571
μ/mm ⁻¹	2.558
F(000)	816.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.4 × 0.1 × 0.1
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	3.938 to 51.456
Index ranges	-20 ≤ h ≤ 20, -16 ≤ k ≤ 16, -9 ≤ l ≤ 9
Reflections collected	29292
Independent reflections	3228 [R _{int} = 0.1601, R _{sigma} = 0.1168]
Data/restraints/parameters	3228/0/218
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.977
Final R indexes [I >= 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0579, wR ₂ = 0.1220
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.1176, wR ₂ = 0.1510
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	1.28/-0.74



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Crystal data and structure refinement for (E)-6.

Identification code	(E)-6
Empirical formula	C ₂₀ H ₁₈ BrNOS
Formula weight	400.32
Temperature/K	120.0
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	7.0549(11)
b/Å	15.033(3)
c/Å	17.847(4)
α/°	65.113(6)
β/°	87.985(5)
γ/°	89.238(6)
Volume/Å ³	1716.0(5)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.550
μ/mm ⁻¹	2.523
F(000)	816.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.14 × 0.12 × 0.1
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	4.646 to 49.998
Index ranges	-8 ≤ h ≤ 8, -17 ≤ k ≤ 17, -21 ≤ l ≤ 21
Reflections collected	34519
Independent reflections	6044 [R _{int} = 0.1142, R _{sigma} = 0.0810]
Data/restraints/parameters	6044/0/436
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.100
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0730, wR ₂ = 0.1970
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.1049, wR ₂ = 0.2179
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.93/-1.14

5. Proposed model for the diastereoselective formation of compound 5a

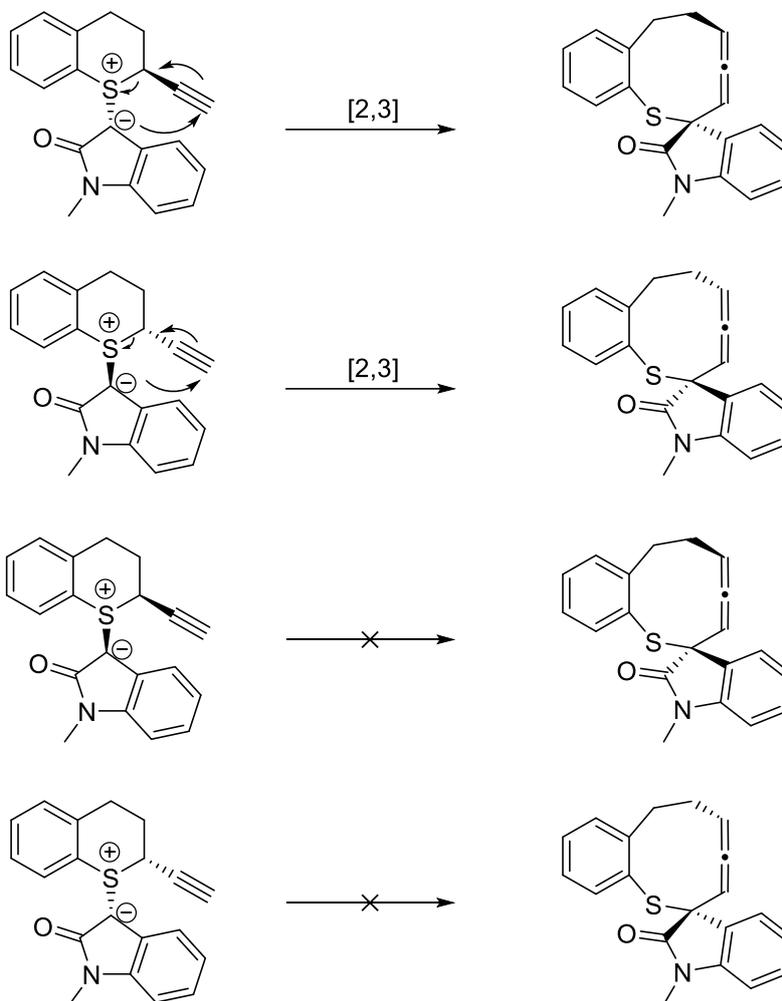
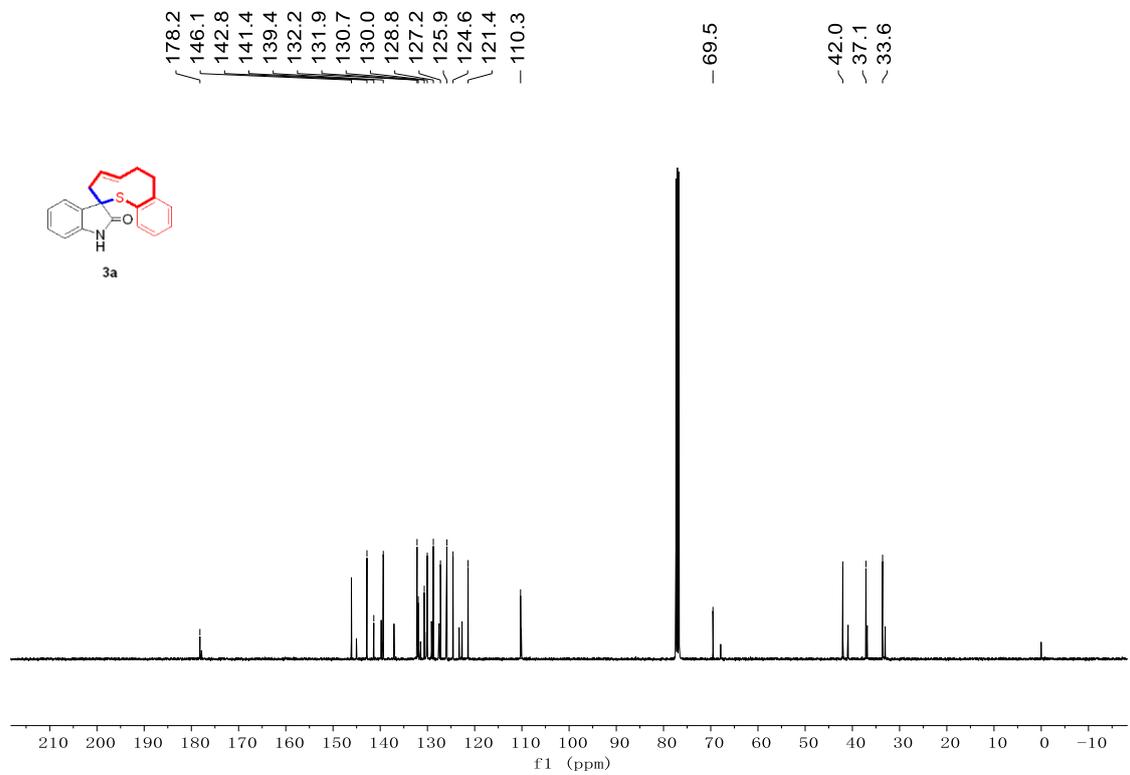
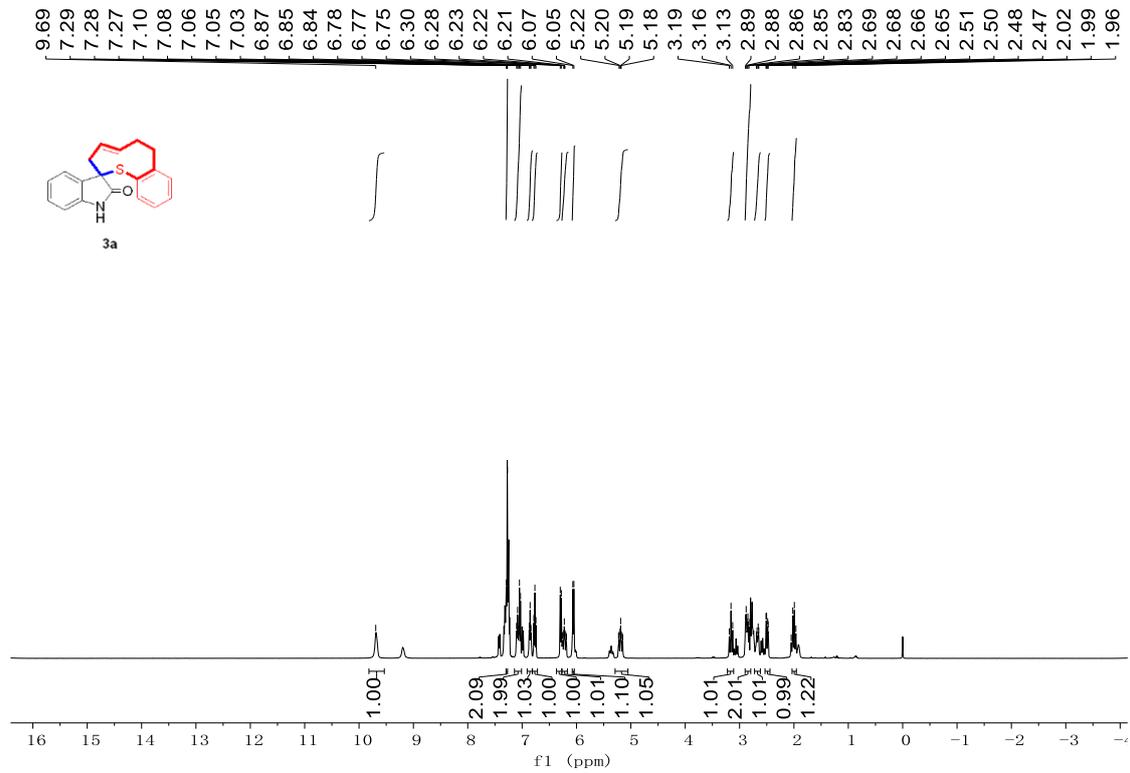


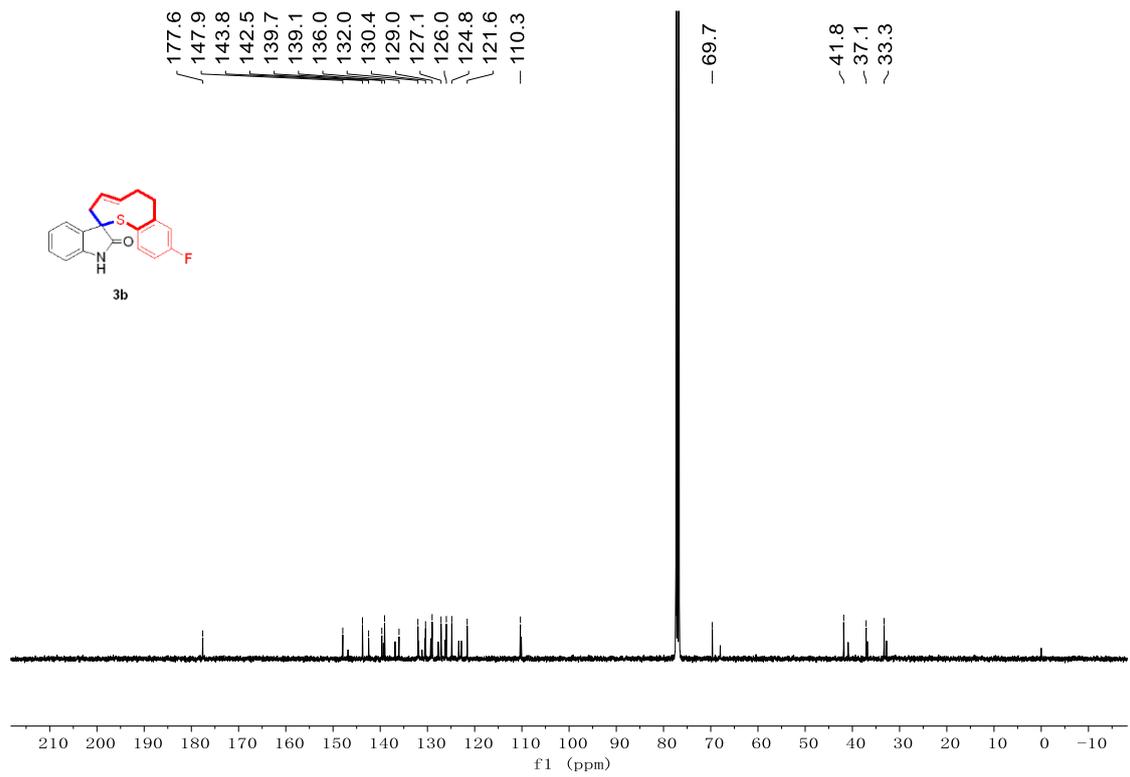
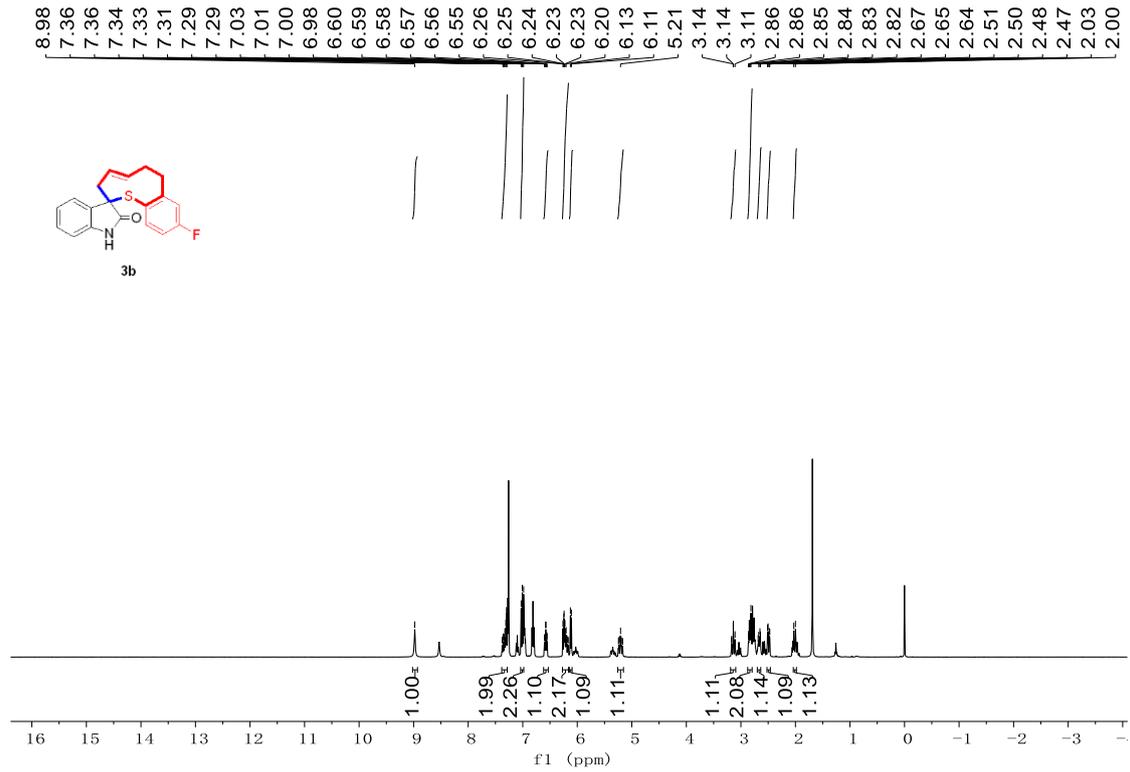
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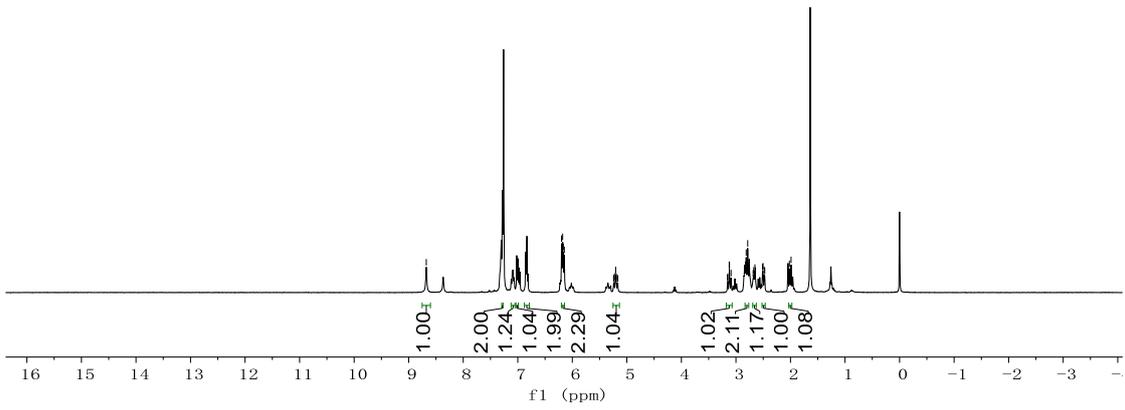
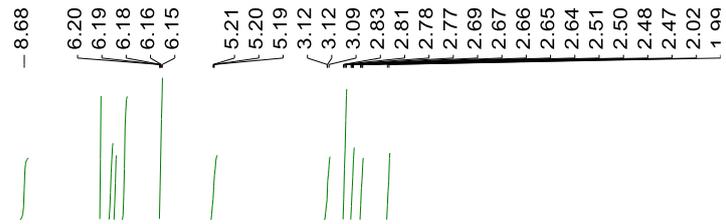
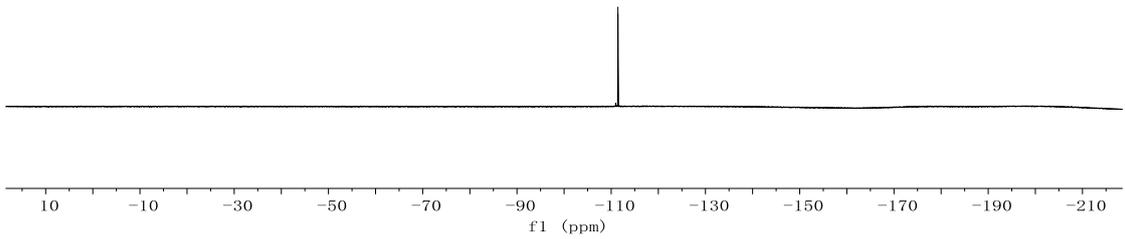
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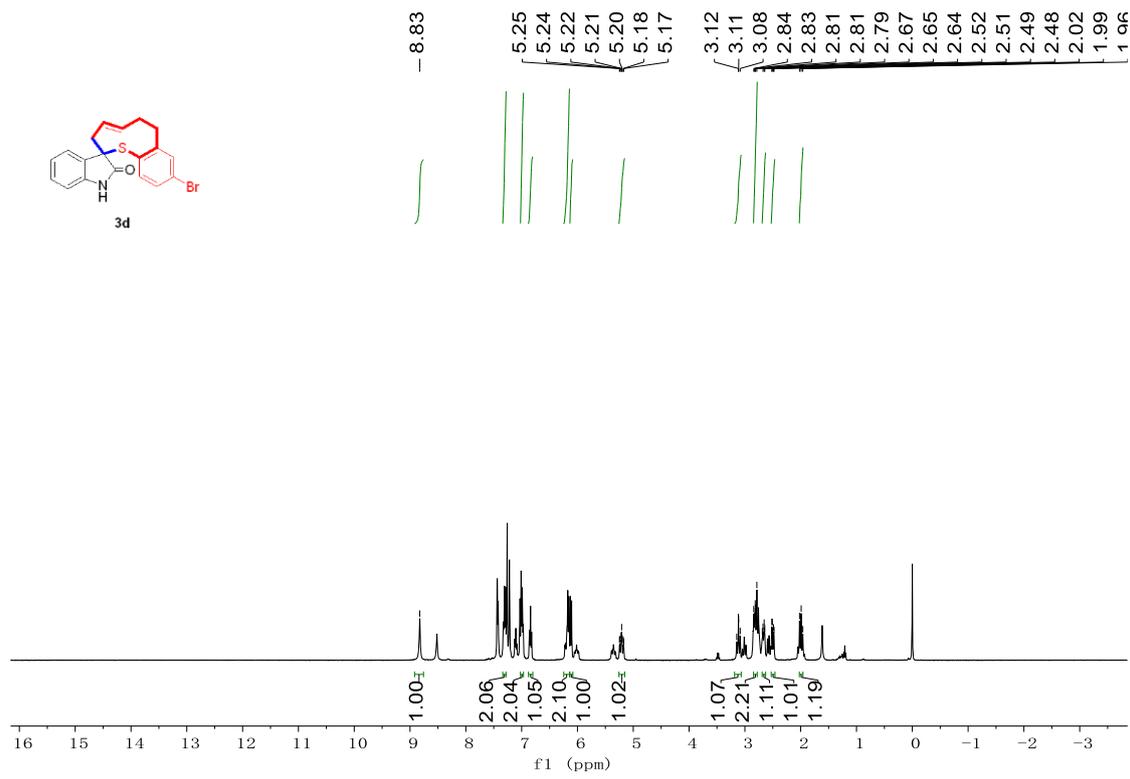
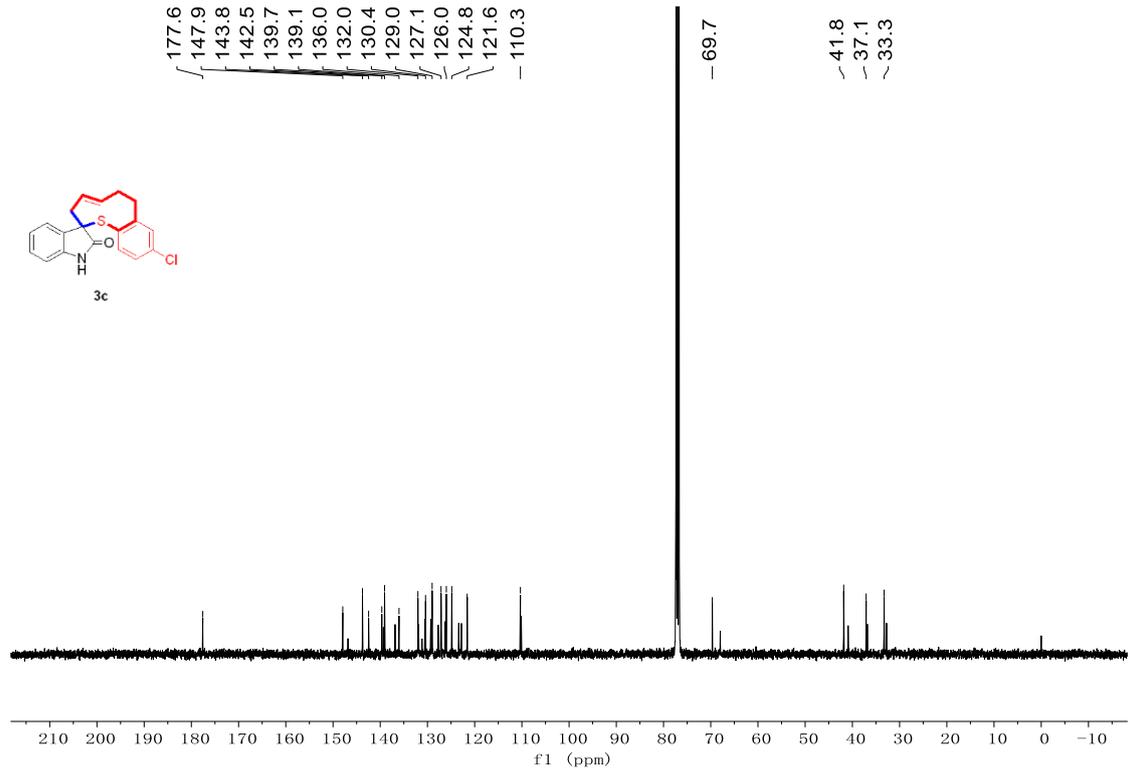


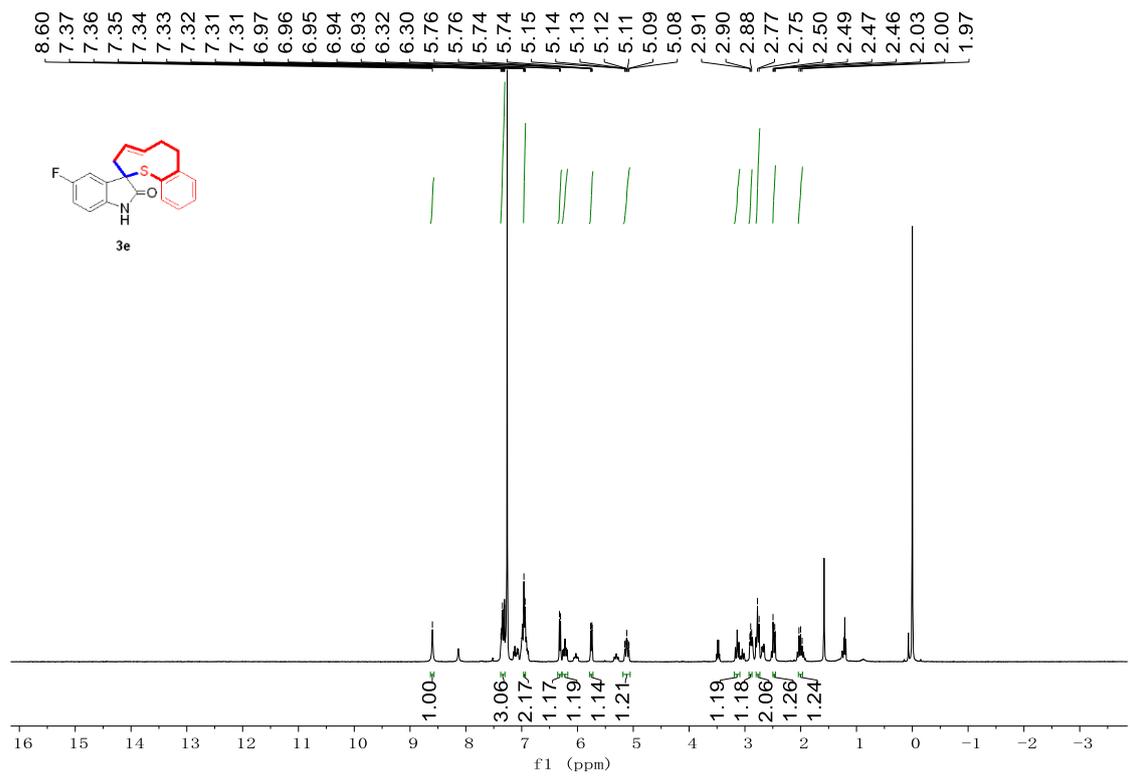
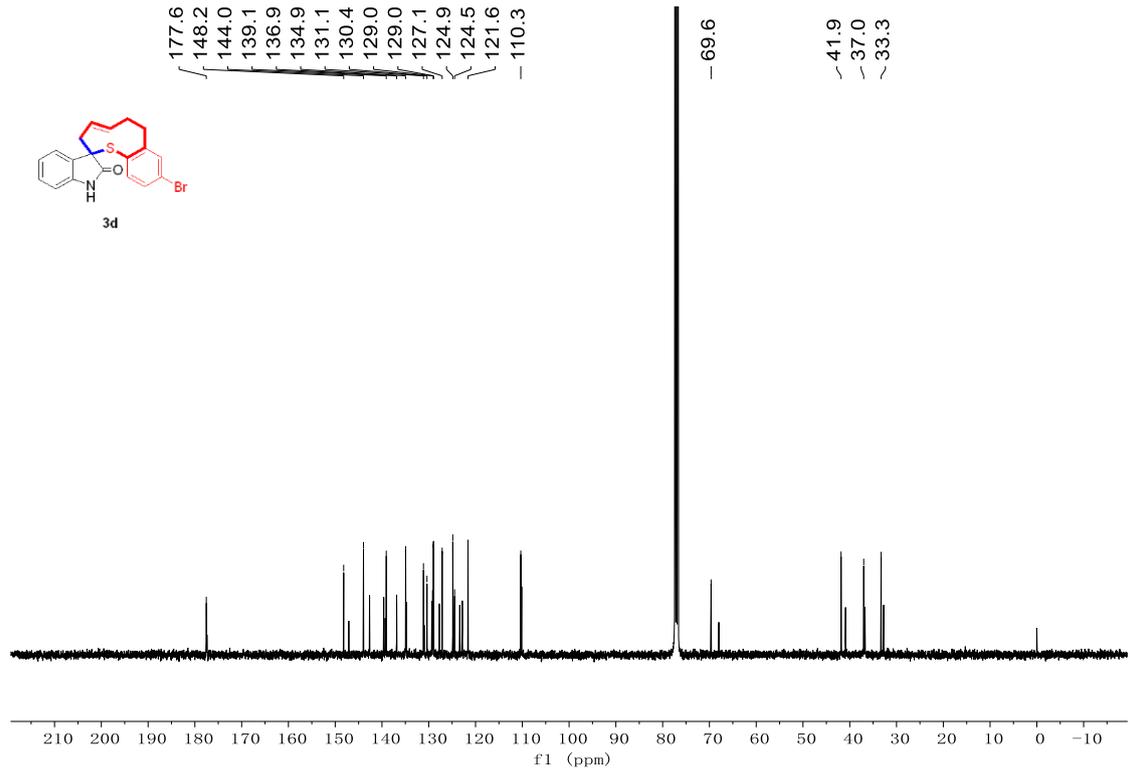


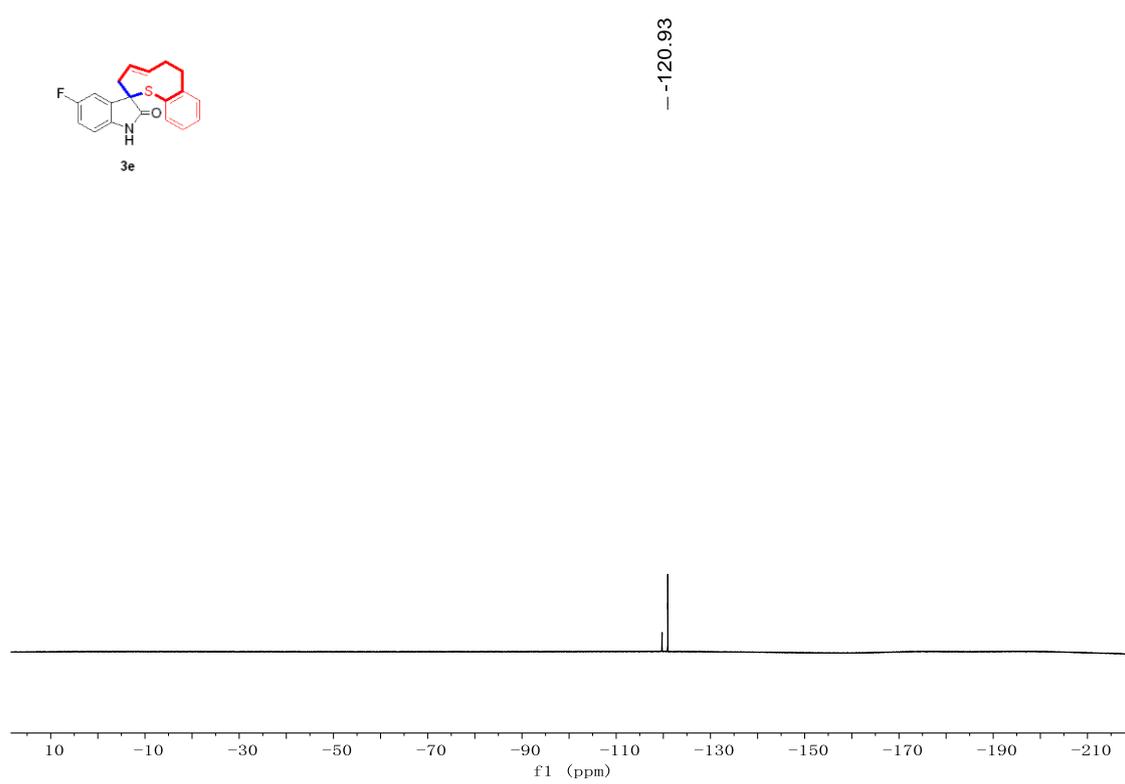
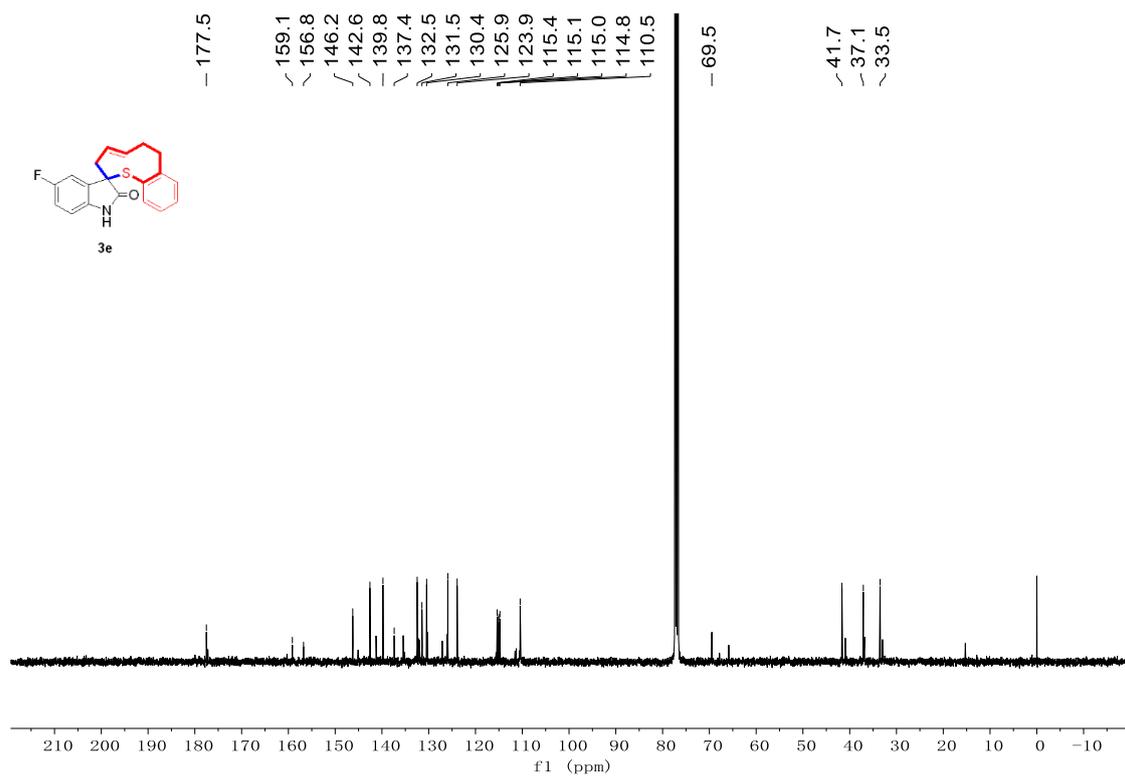


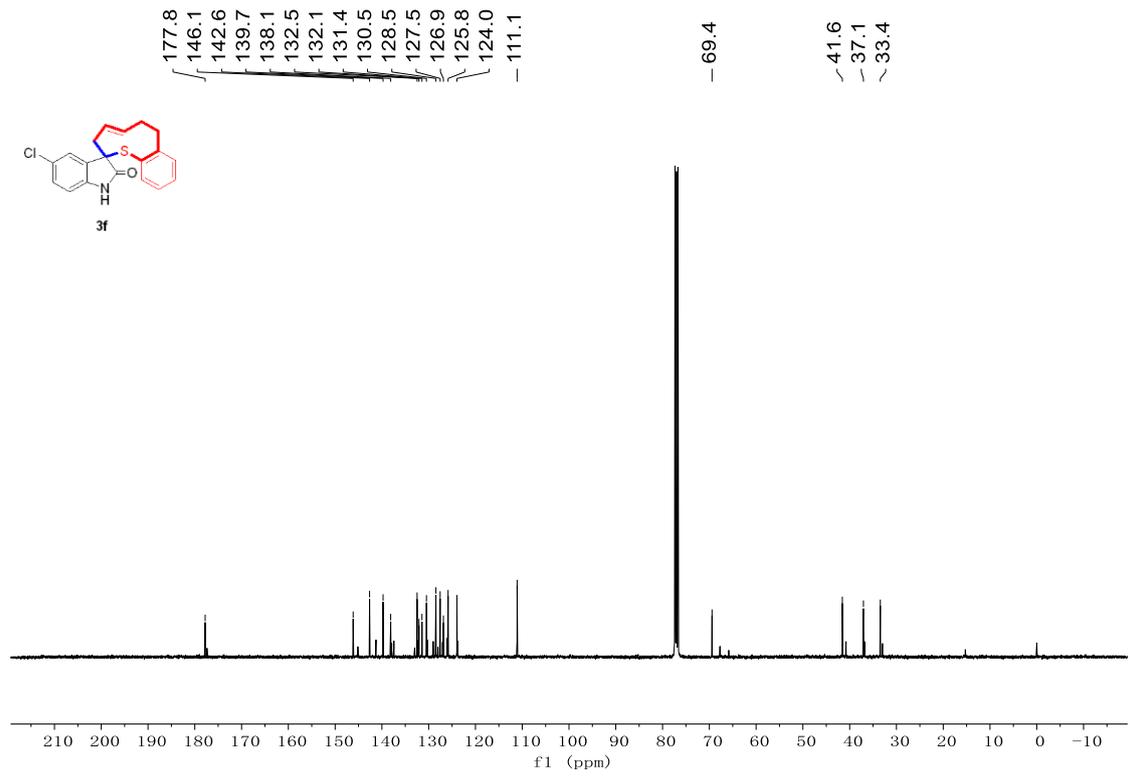
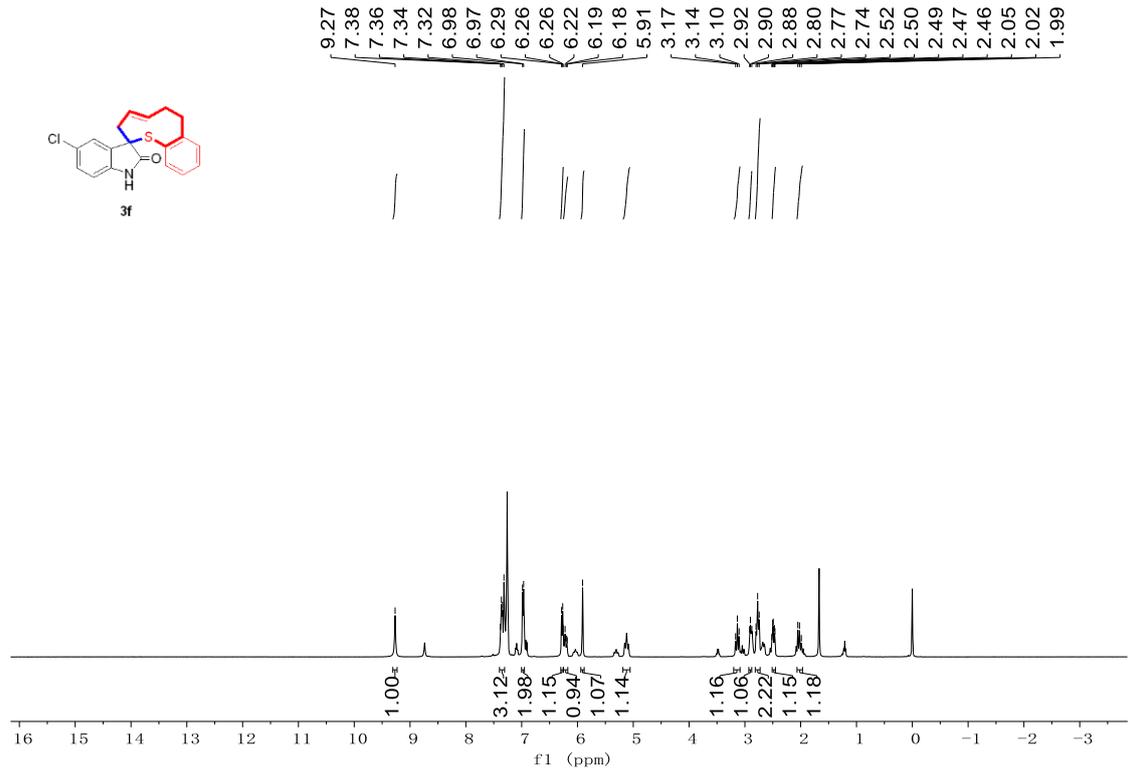
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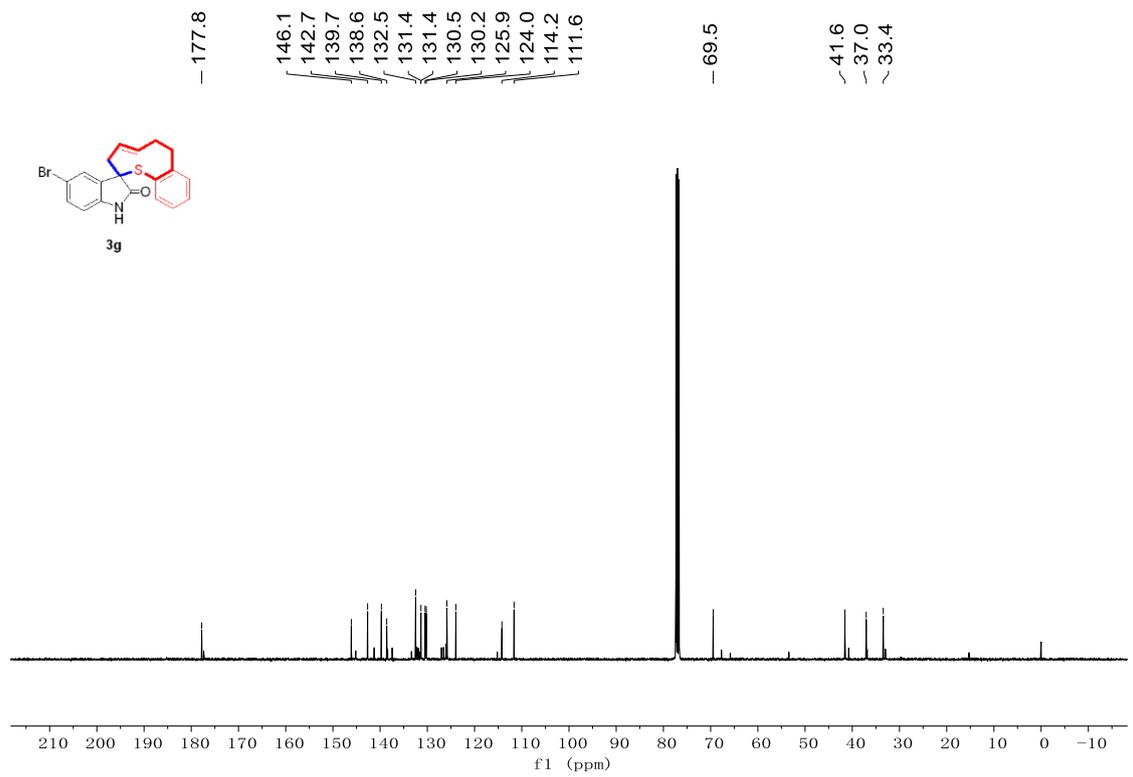
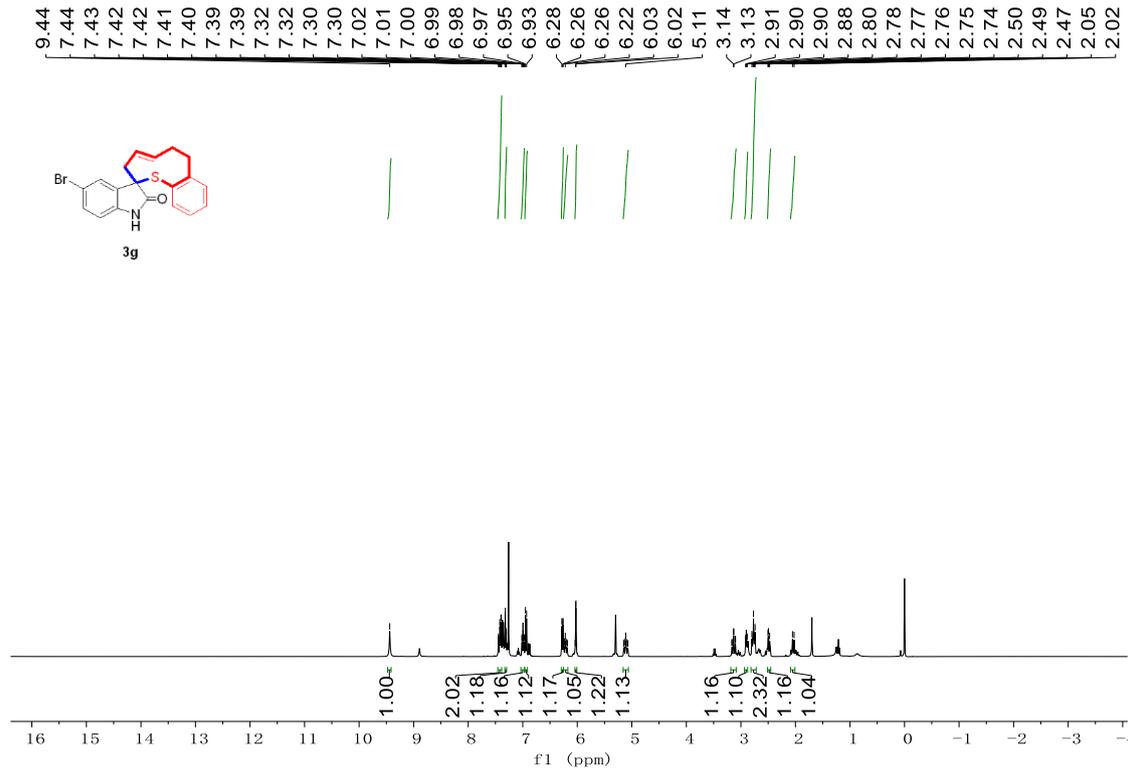


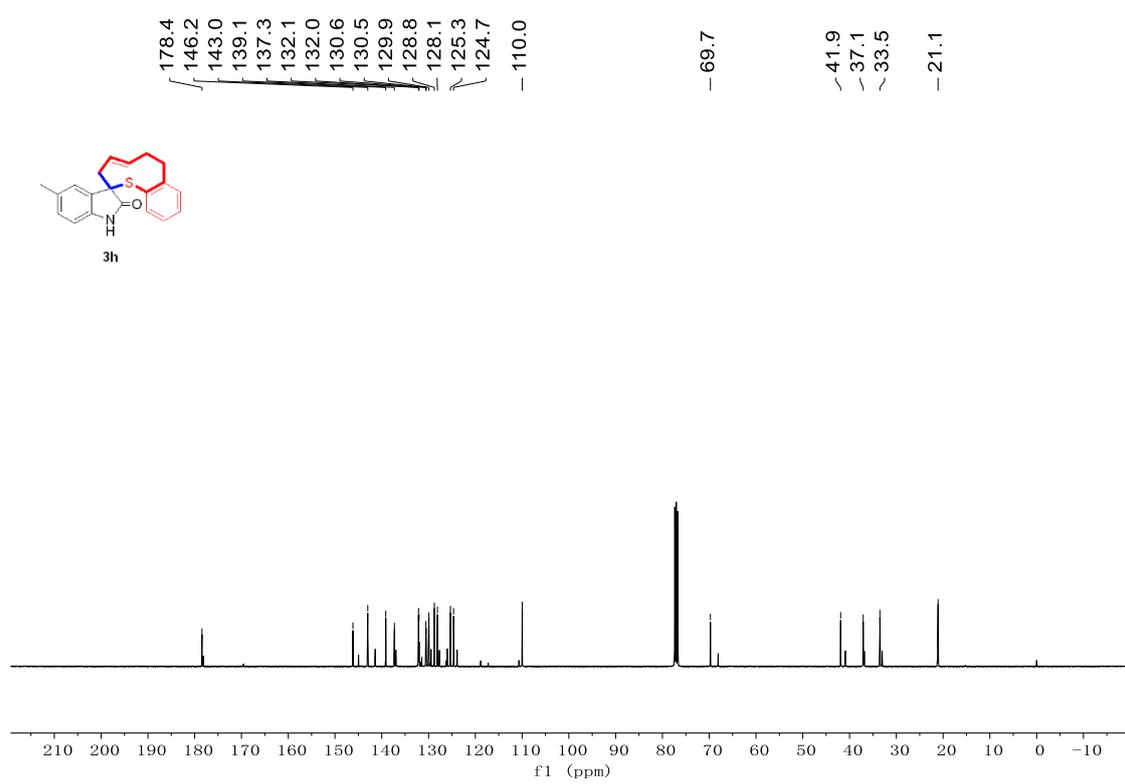
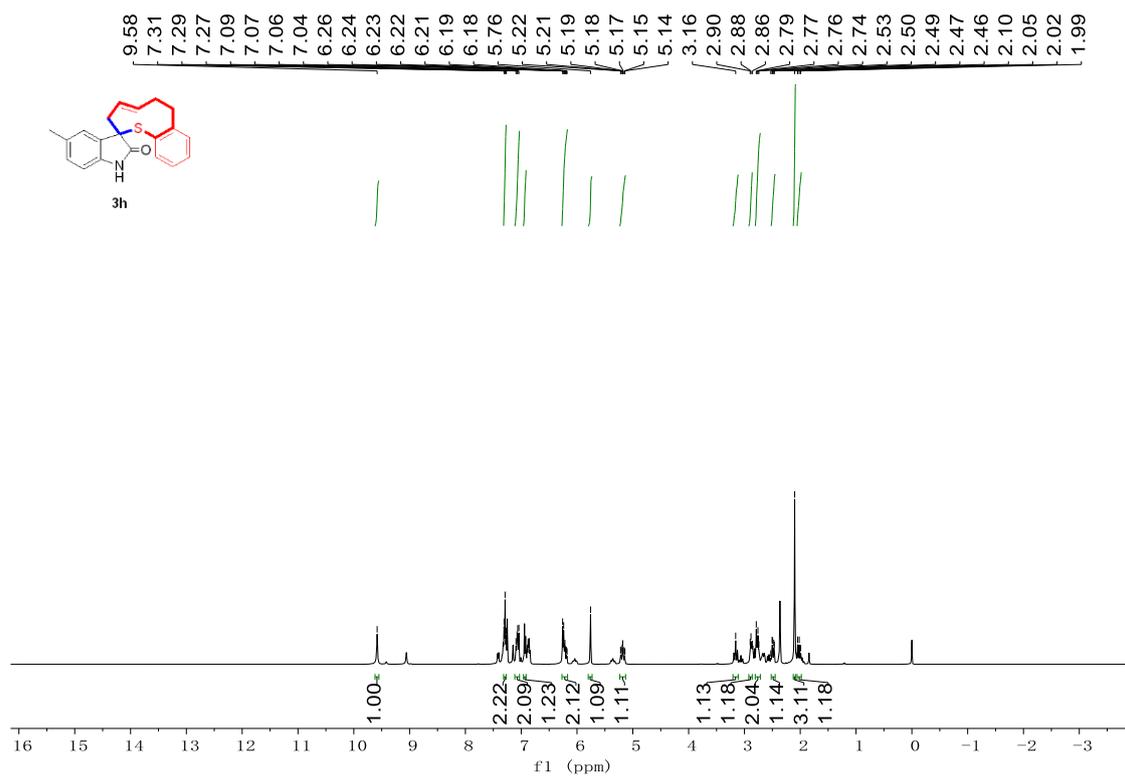


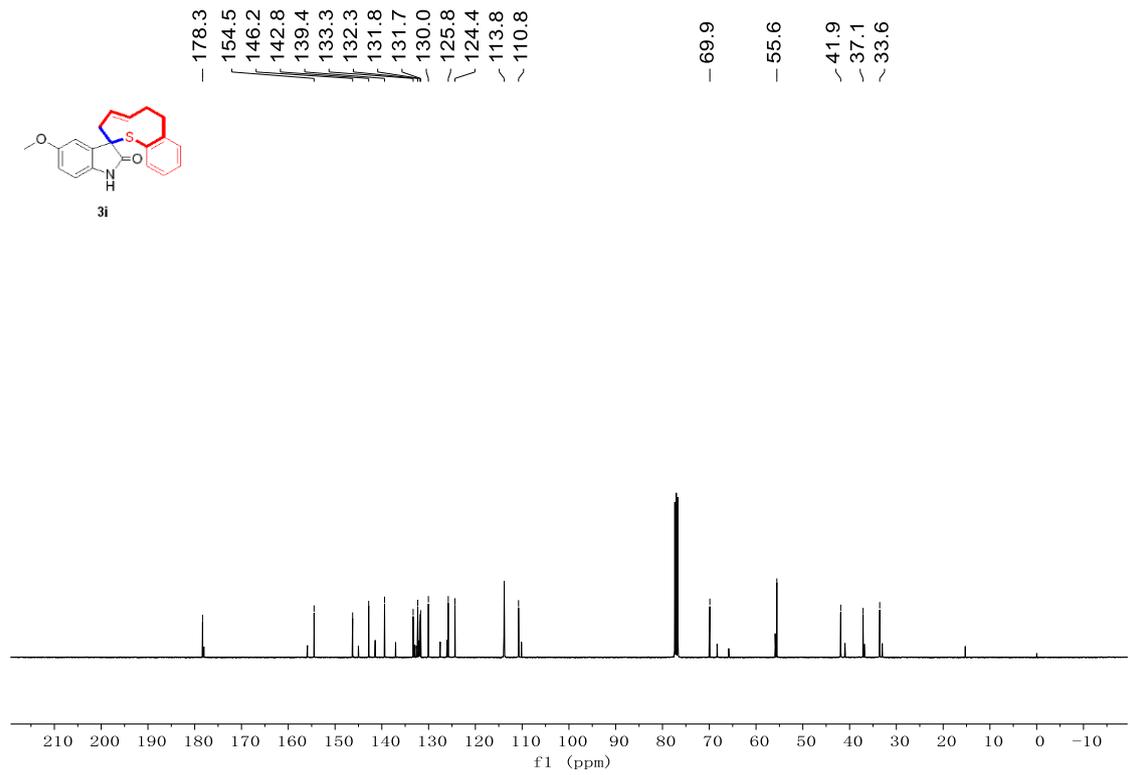
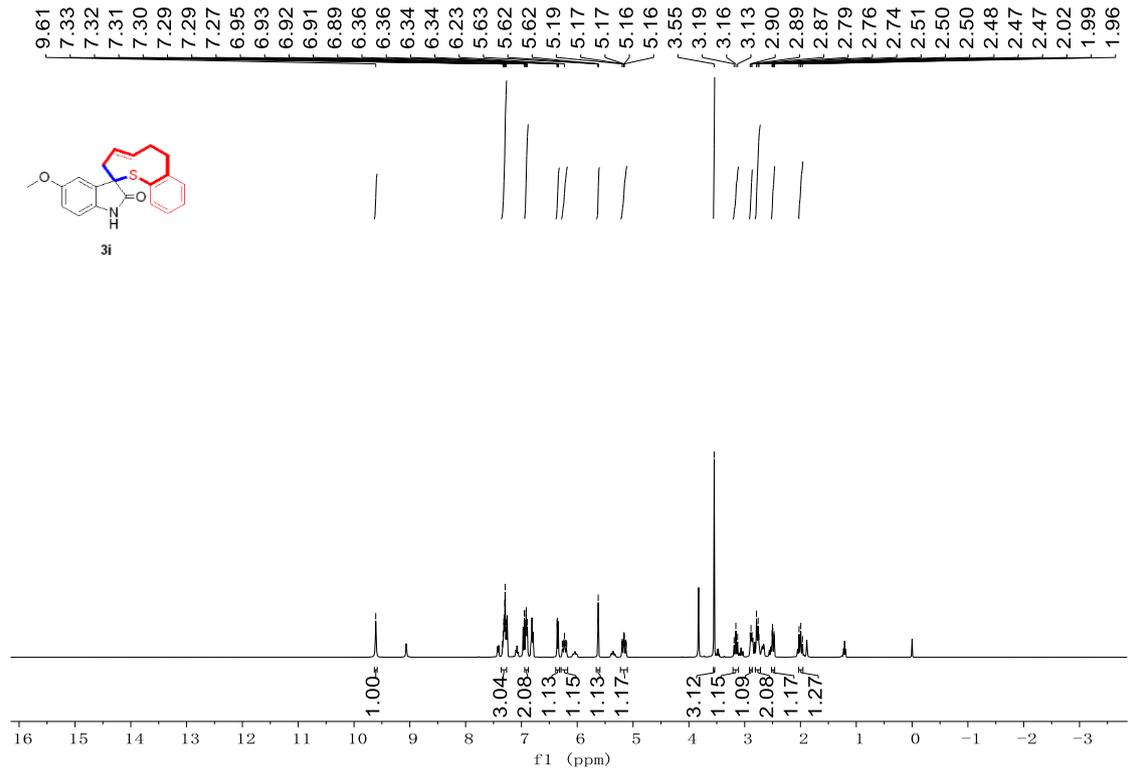


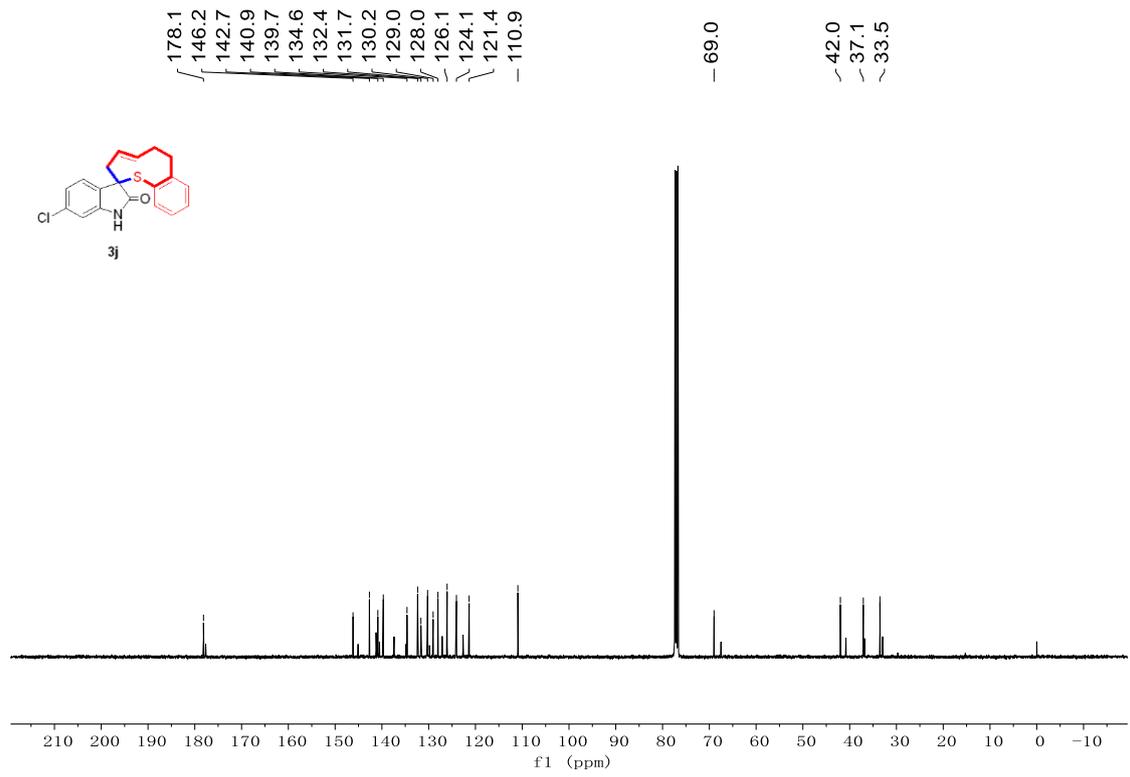
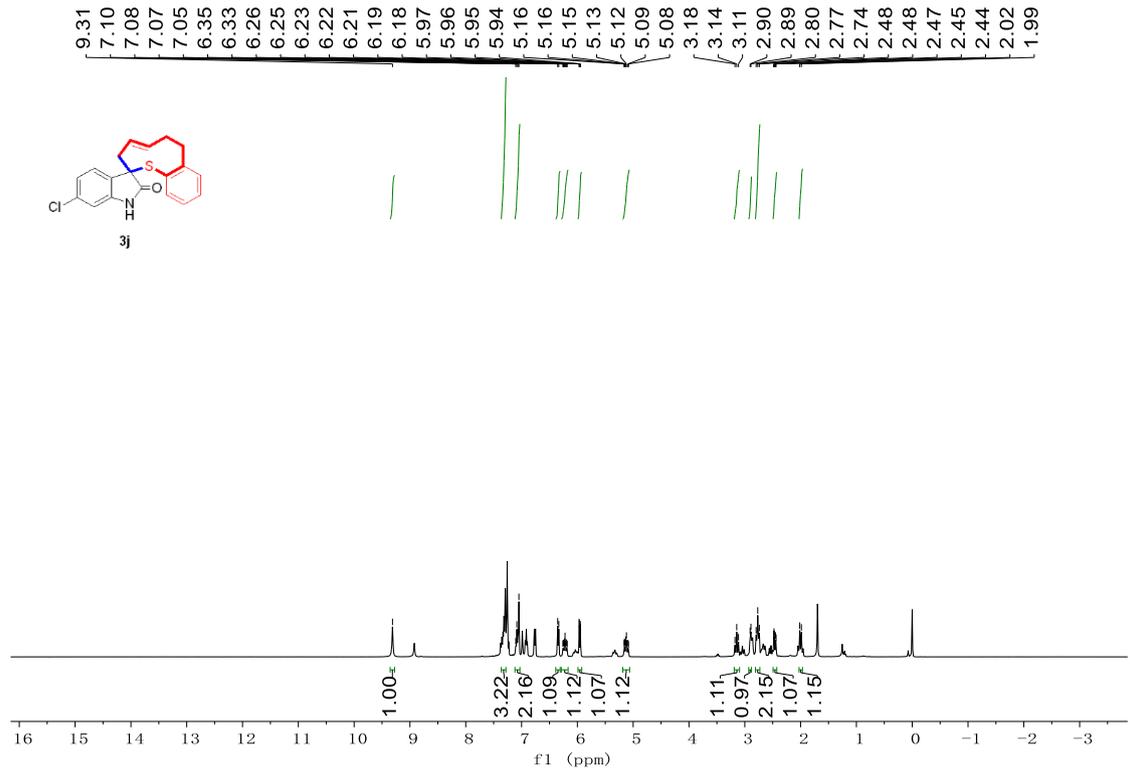


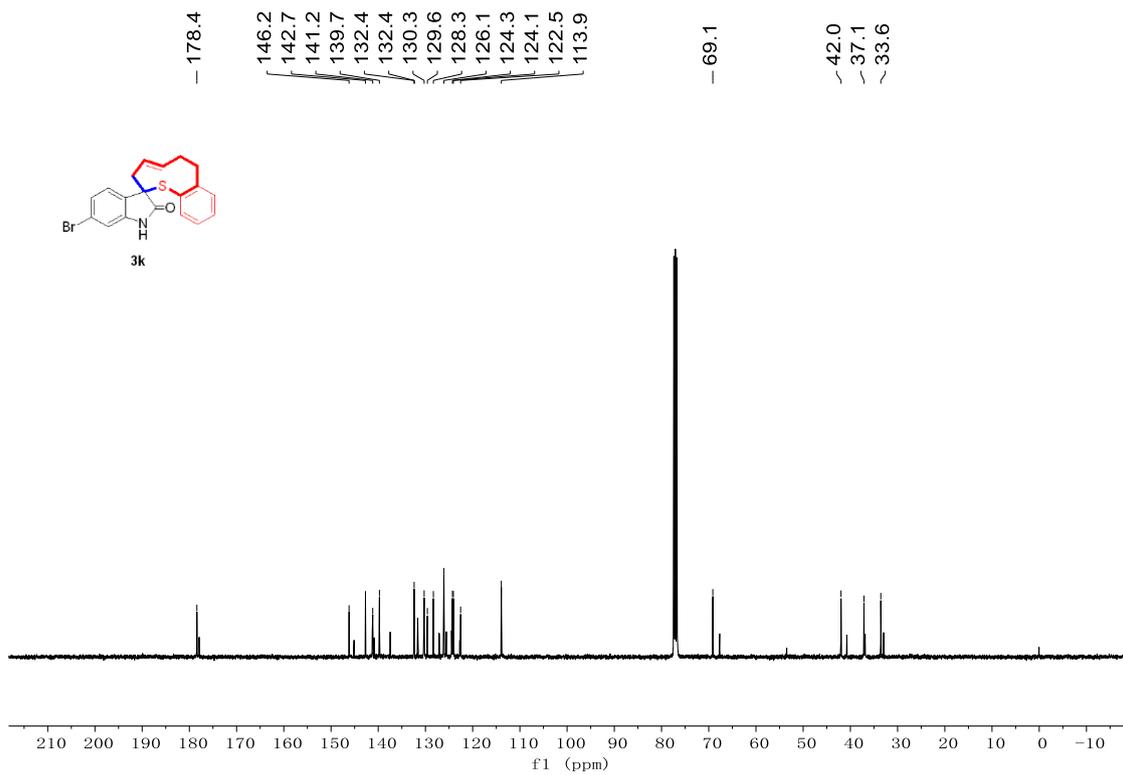
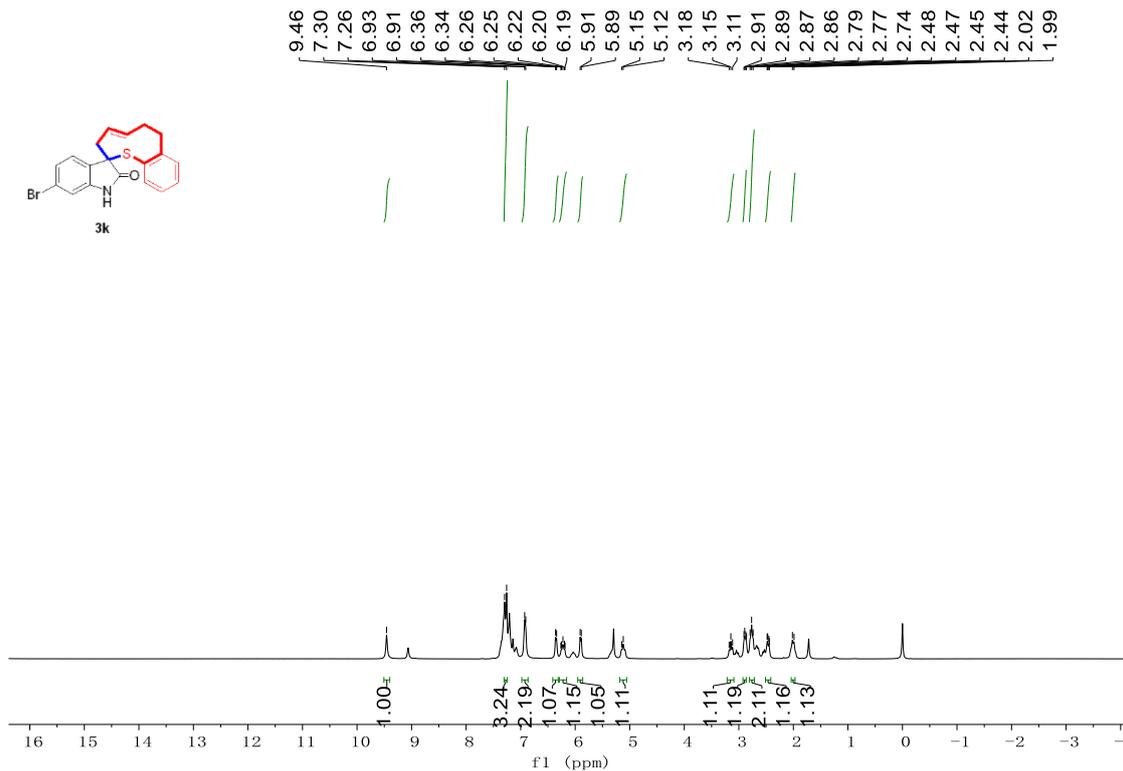


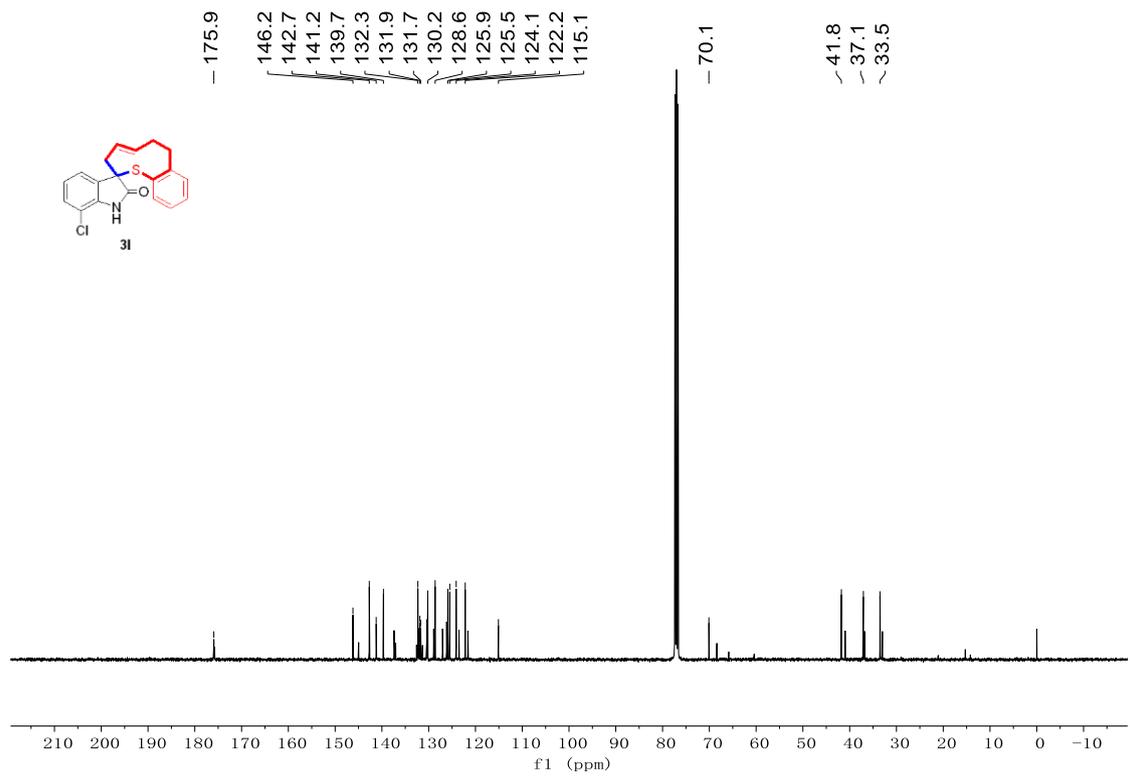
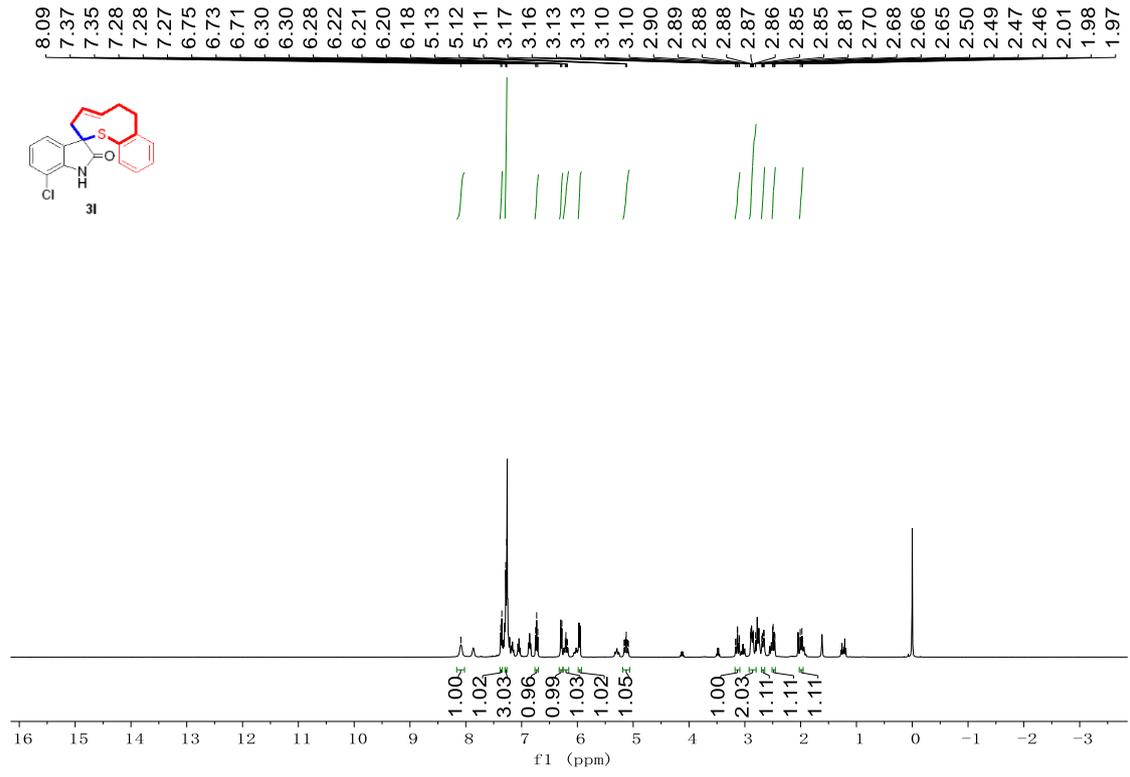


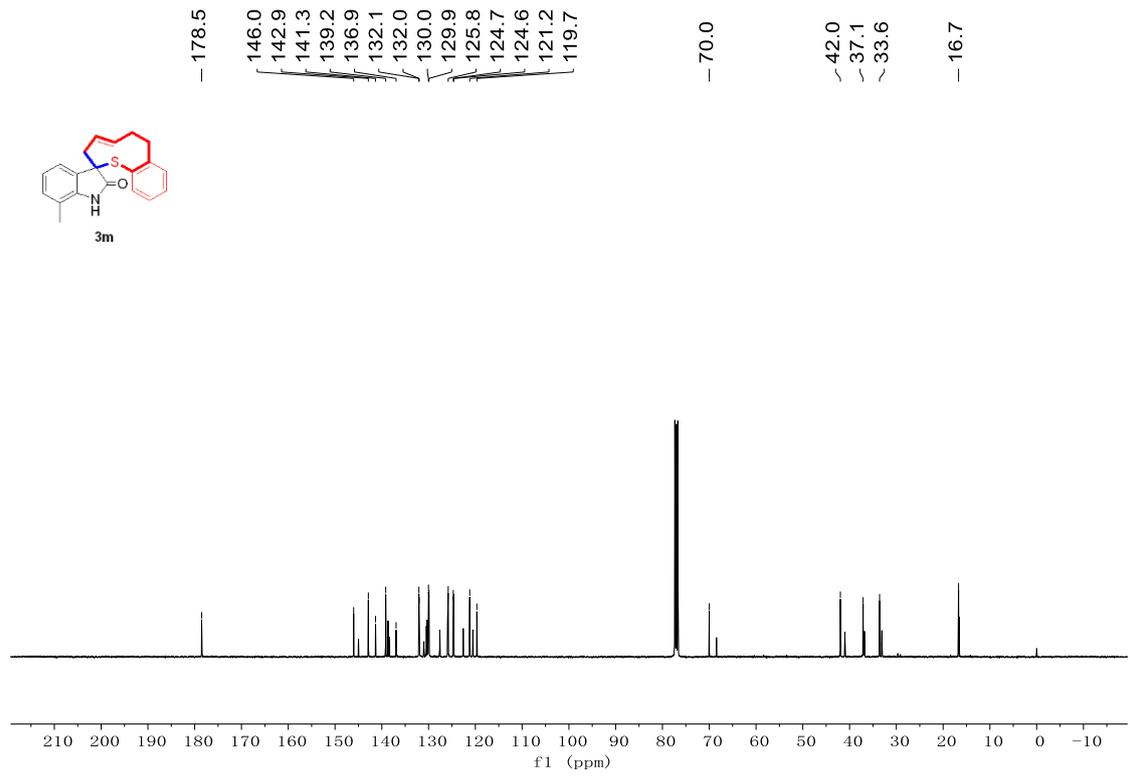
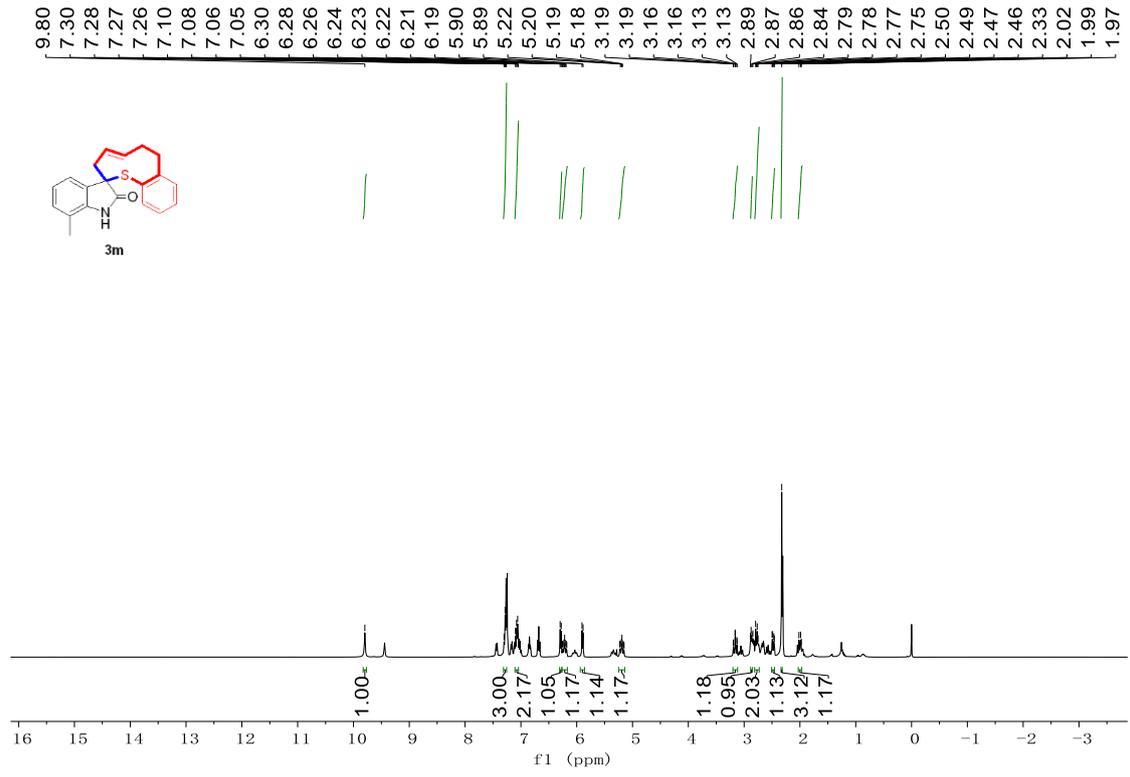


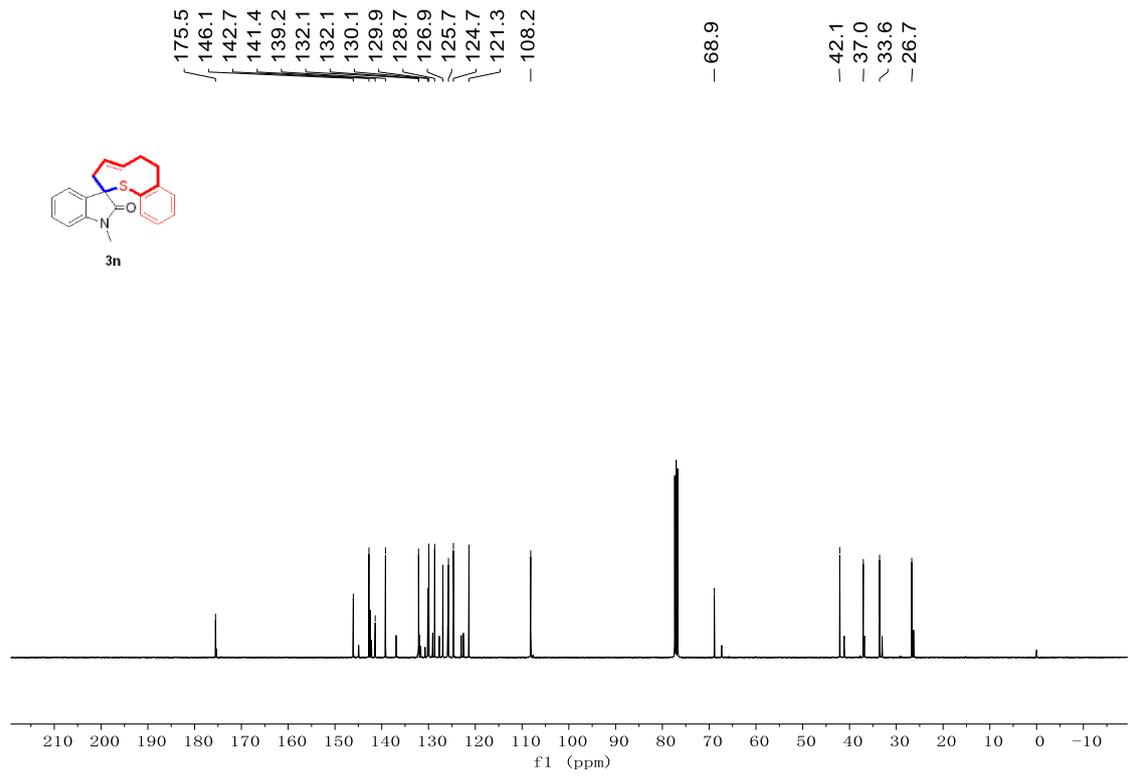
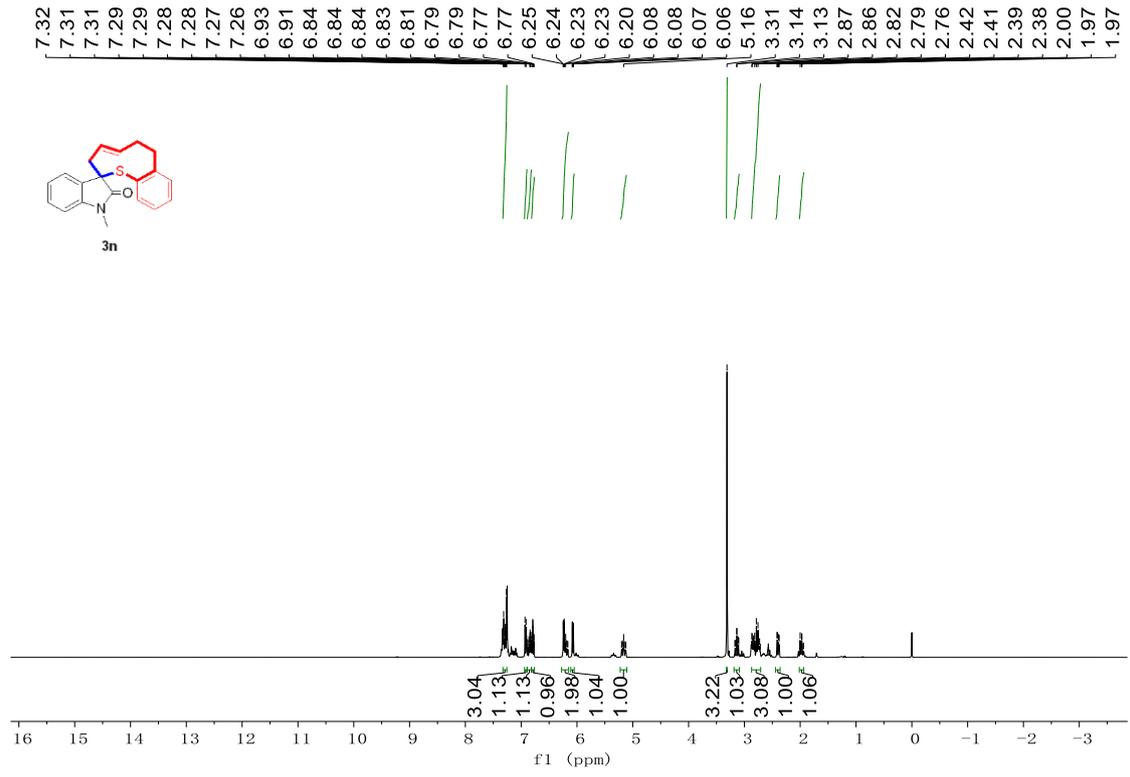


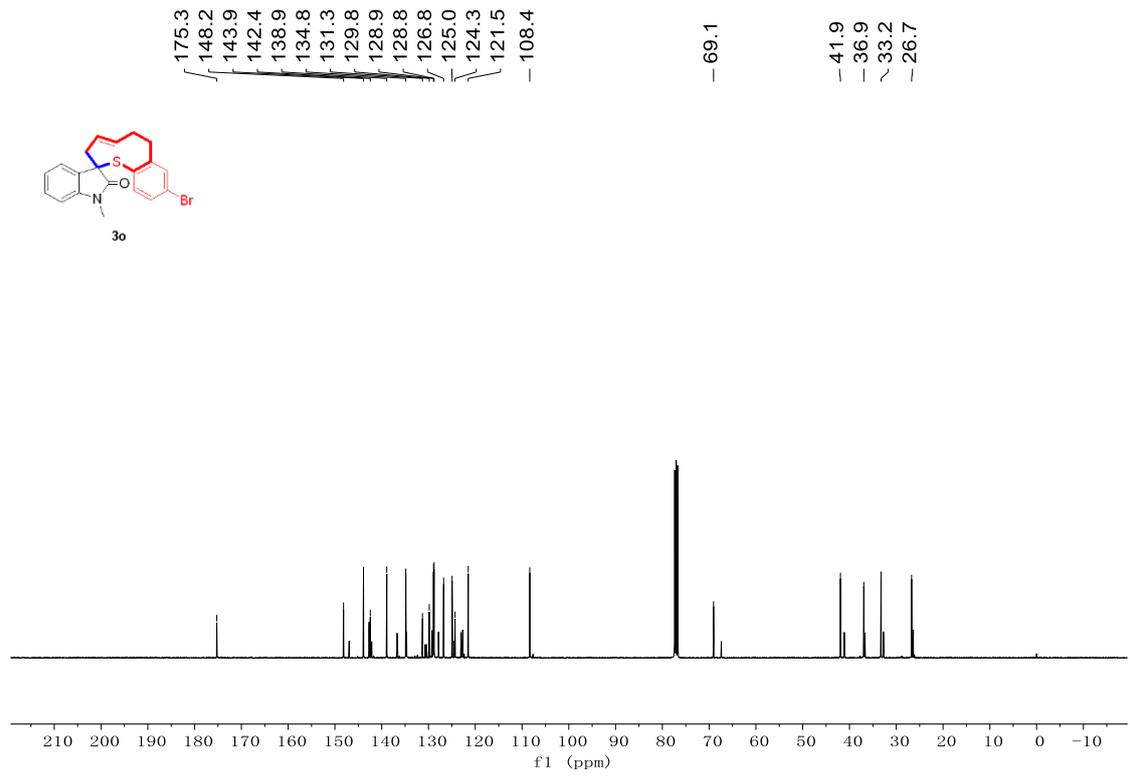
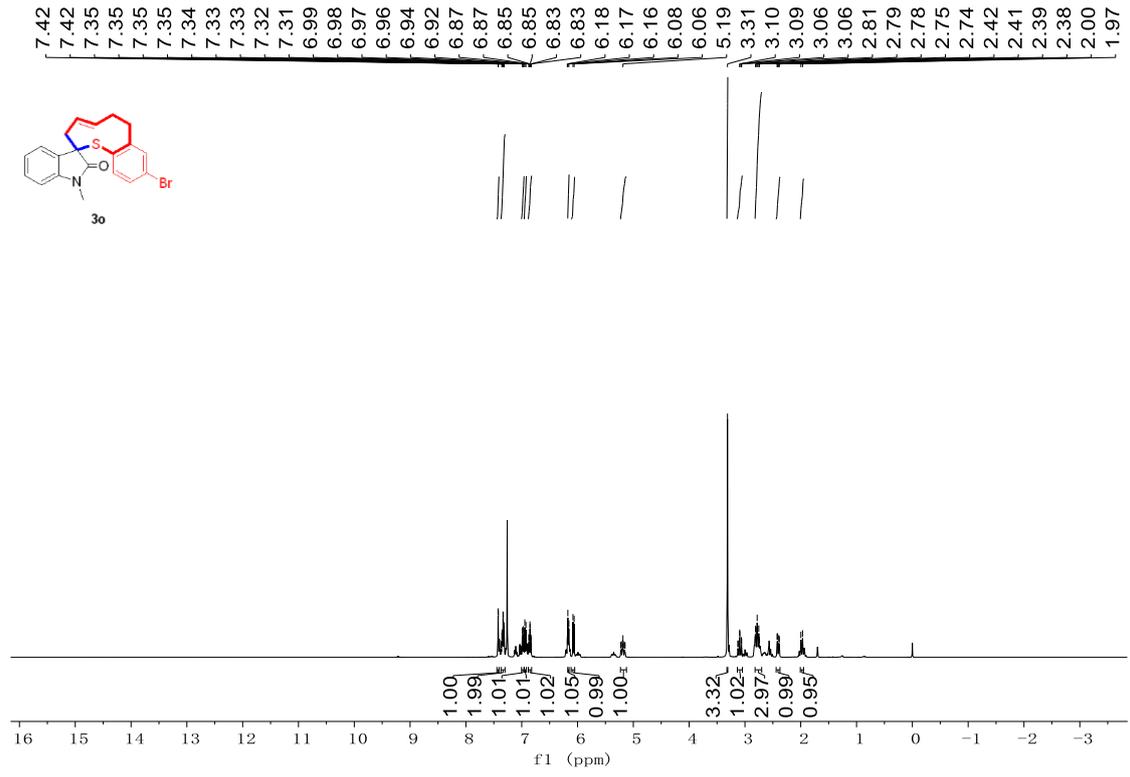


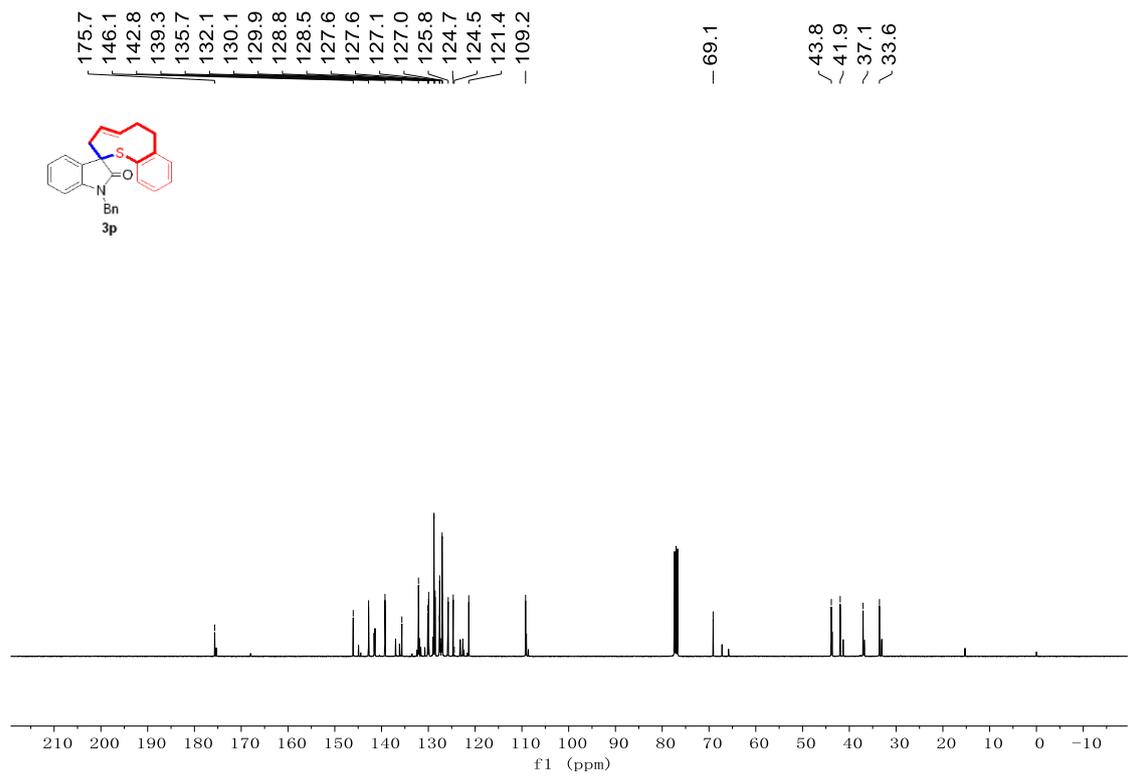
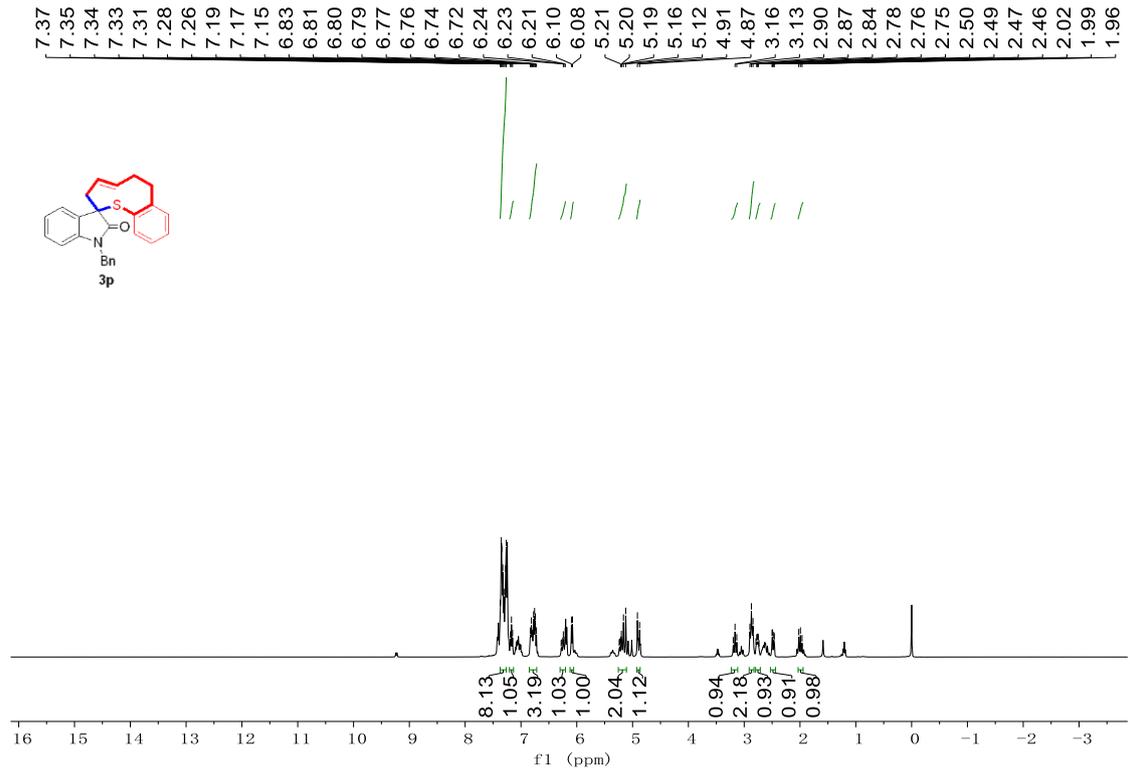


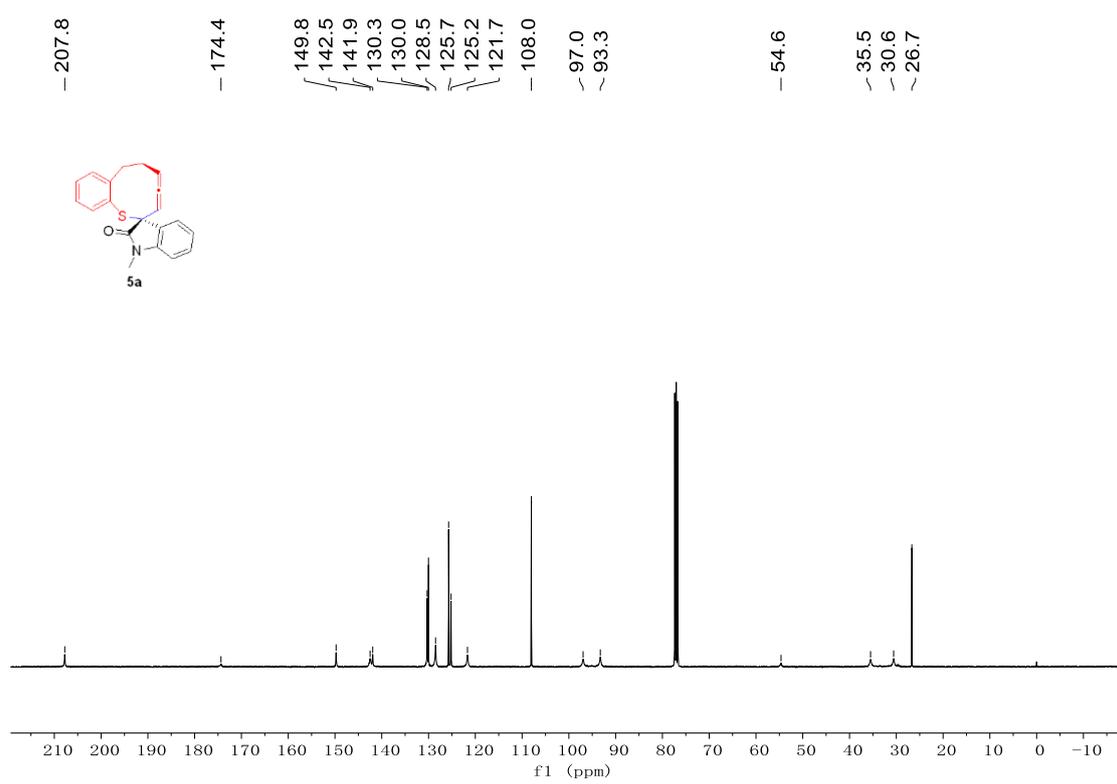
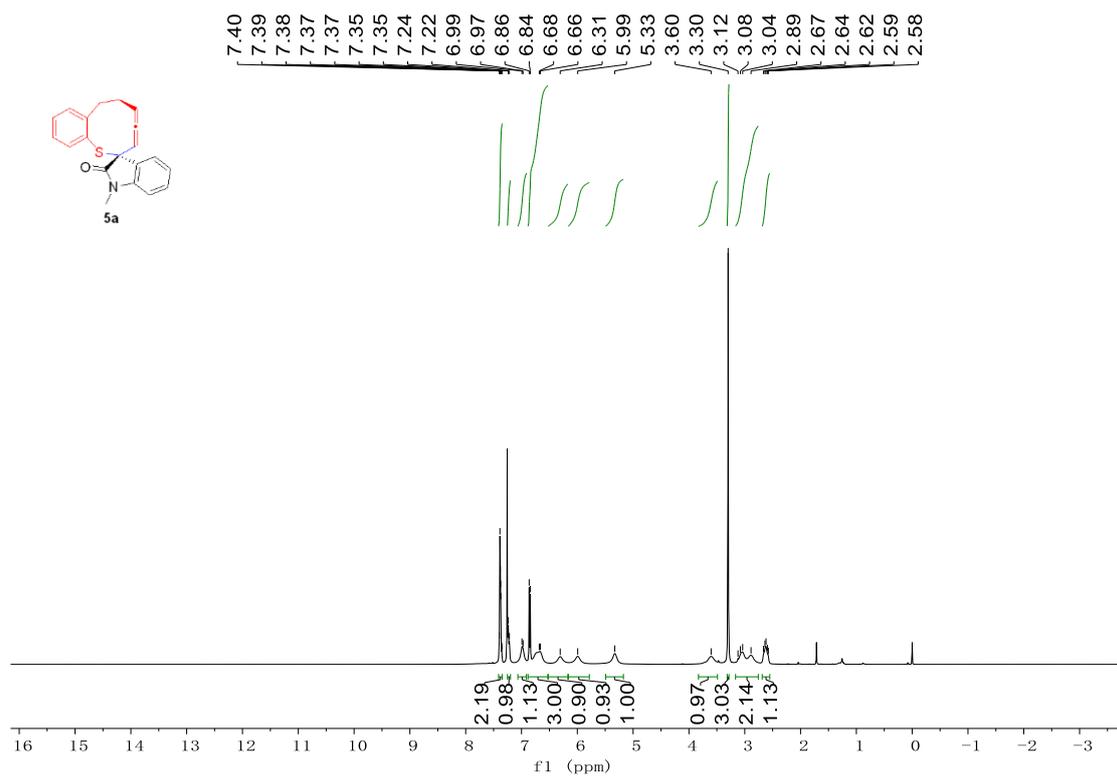


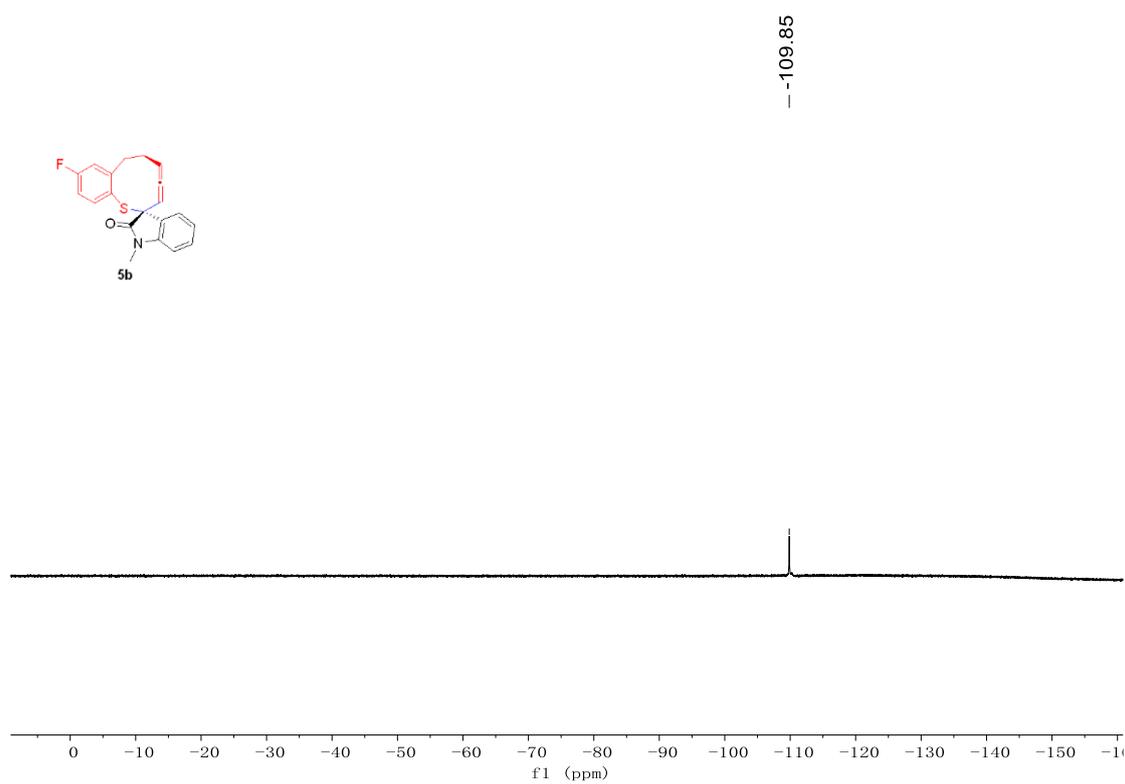
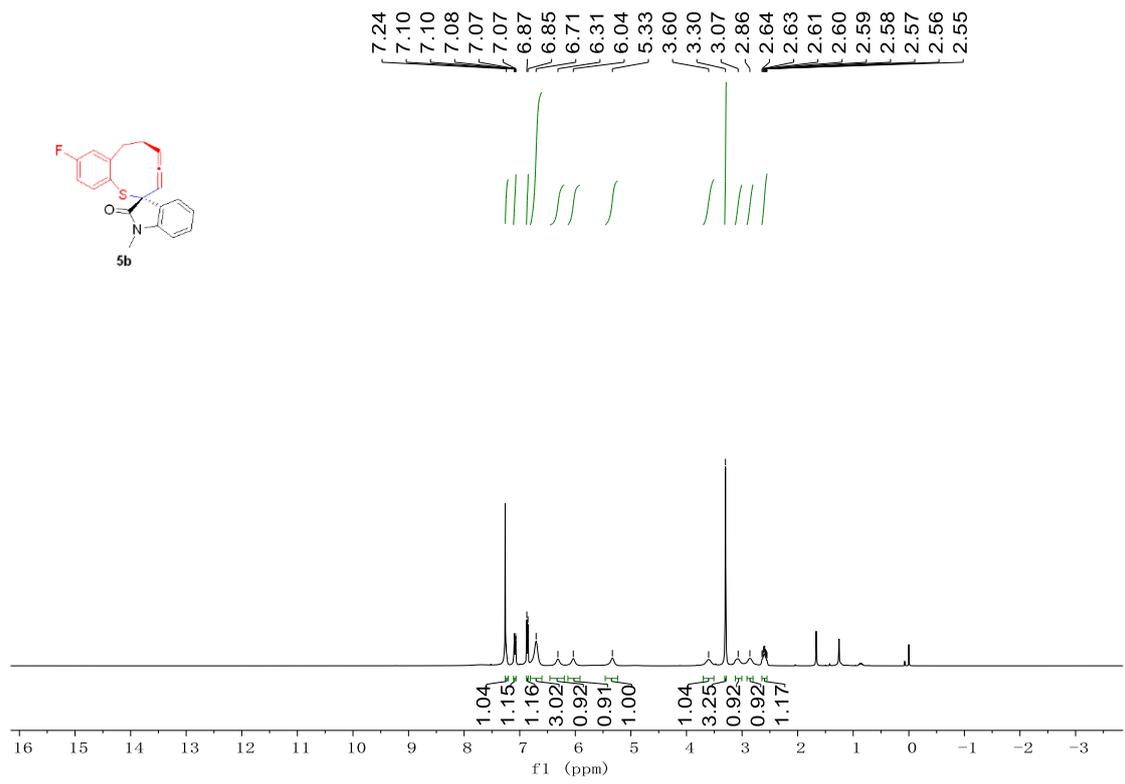


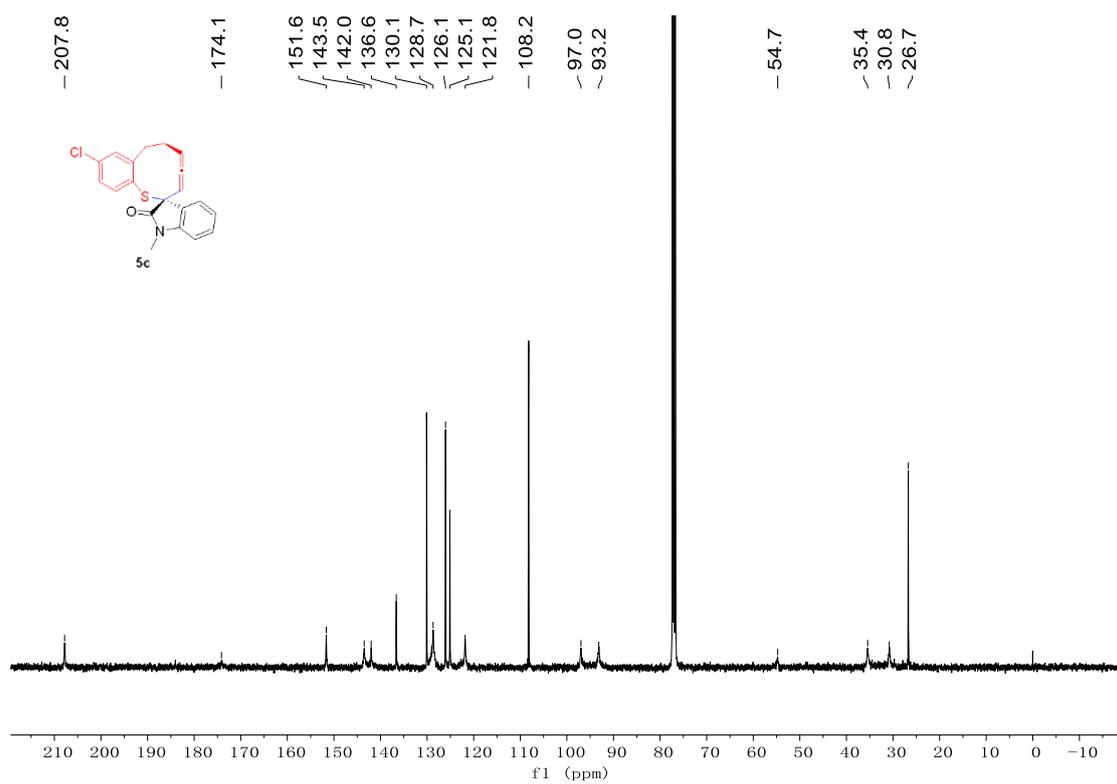
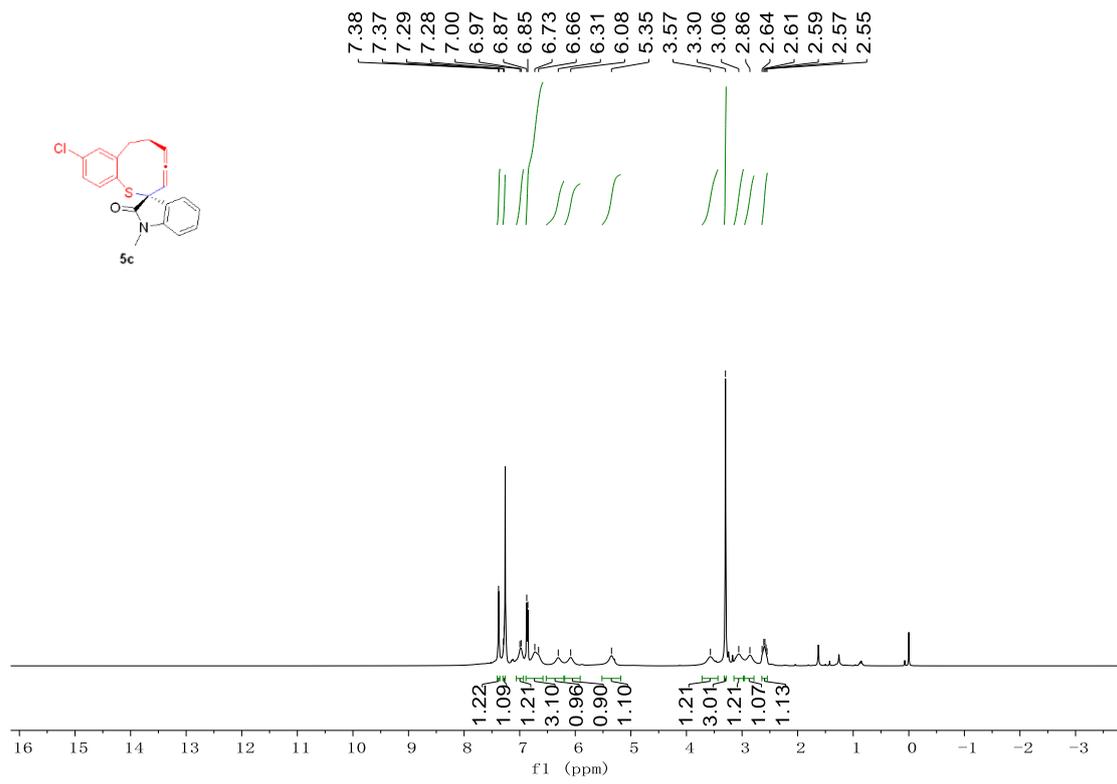


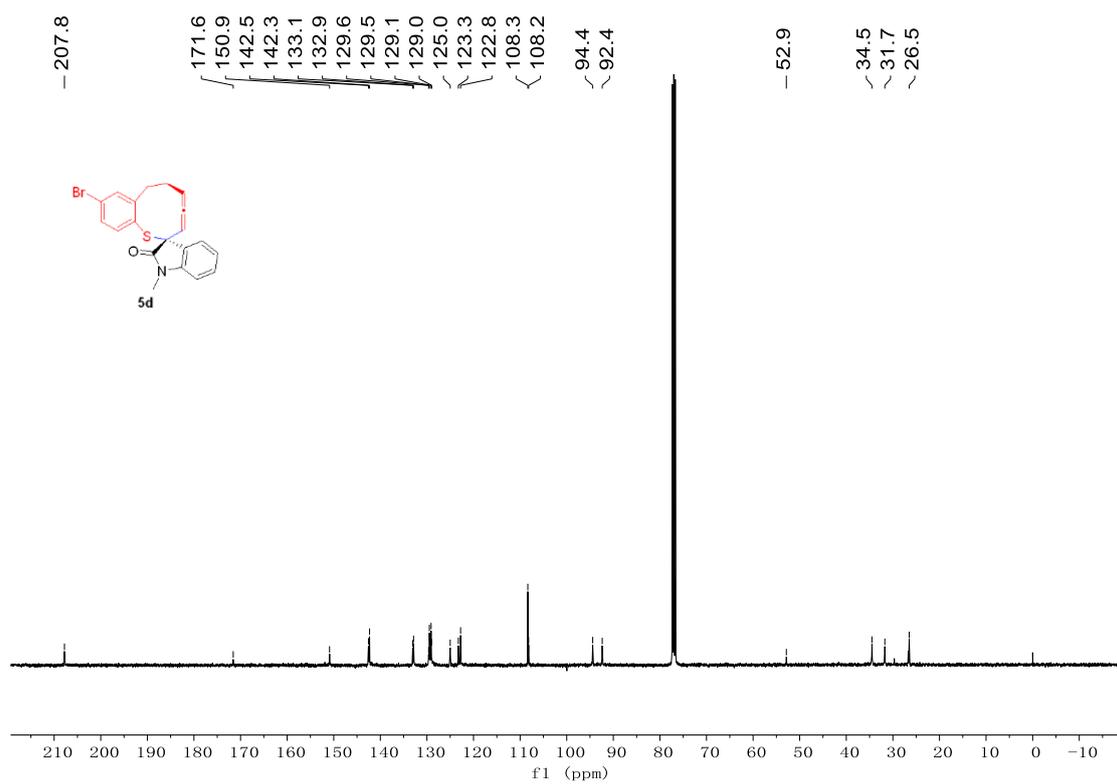
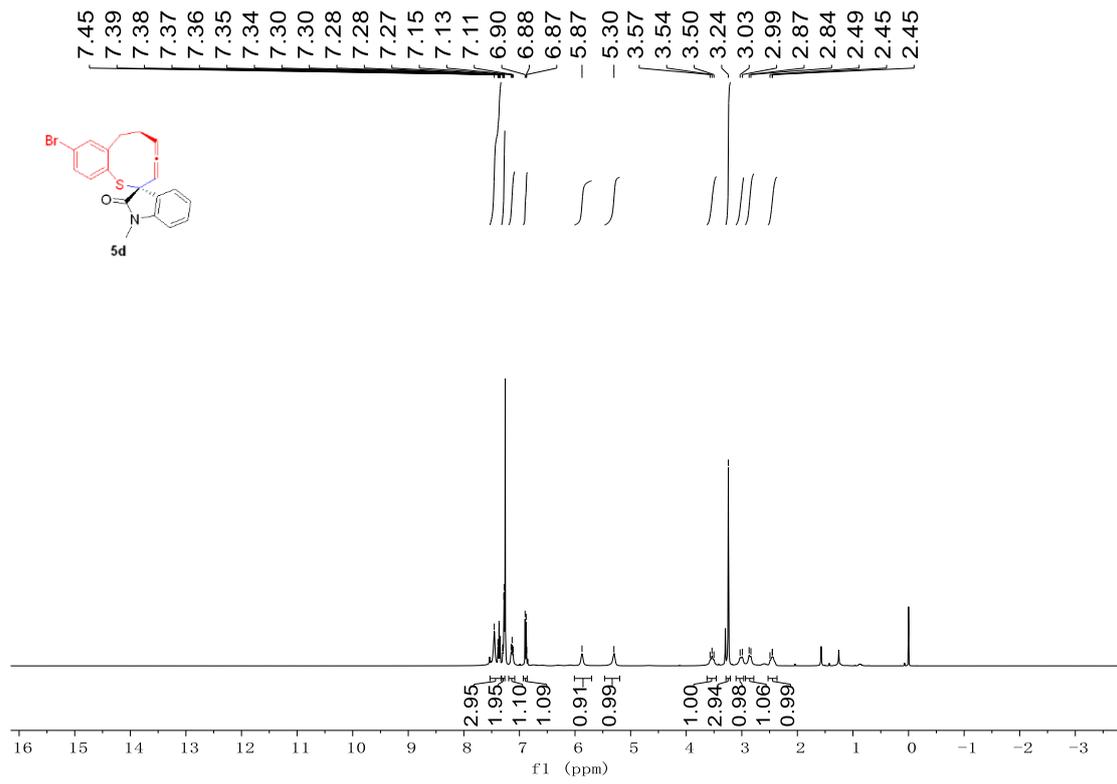


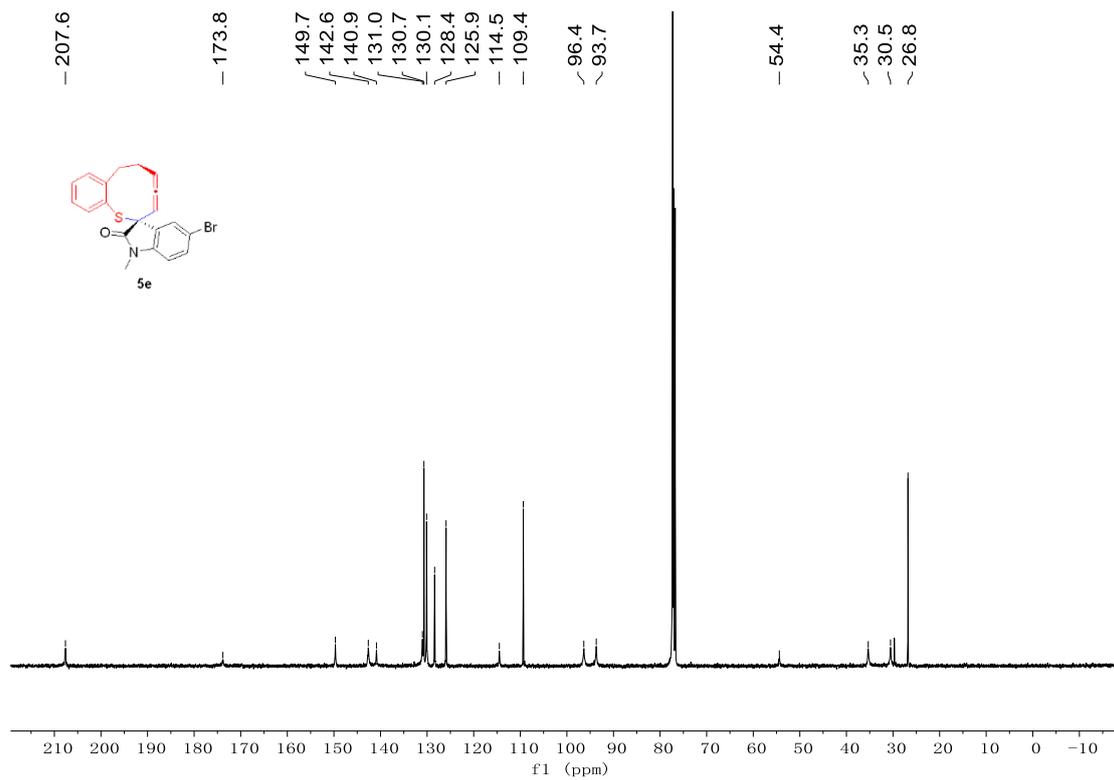
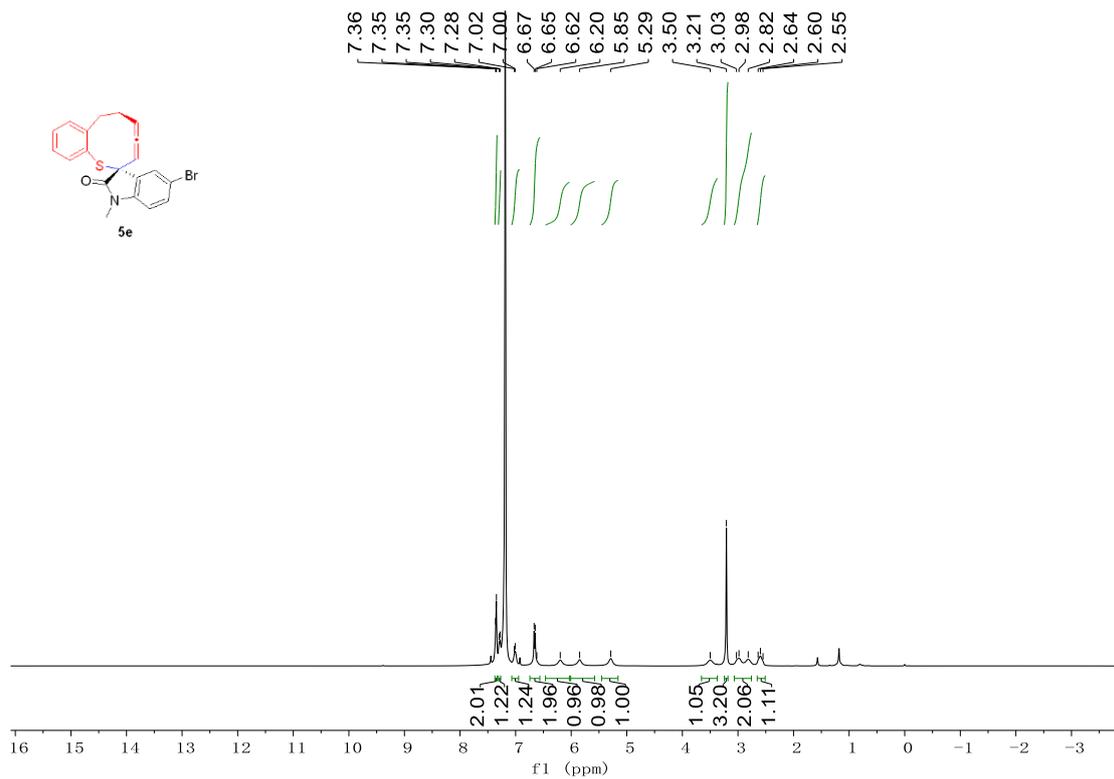


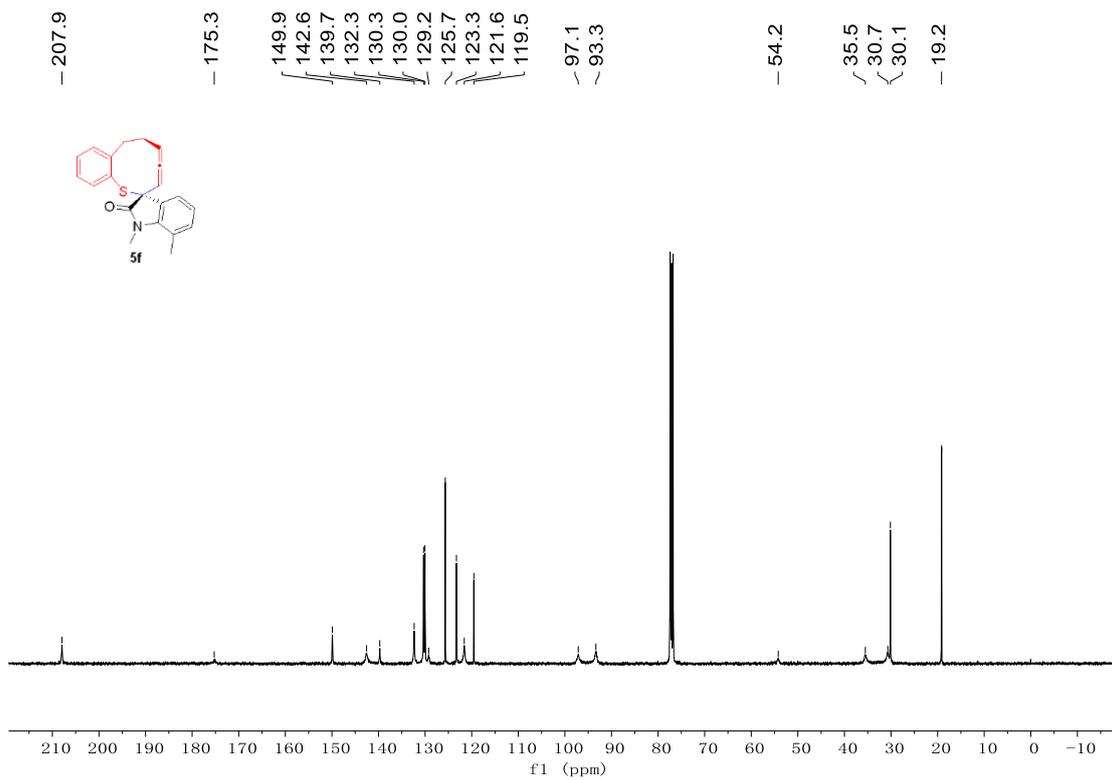
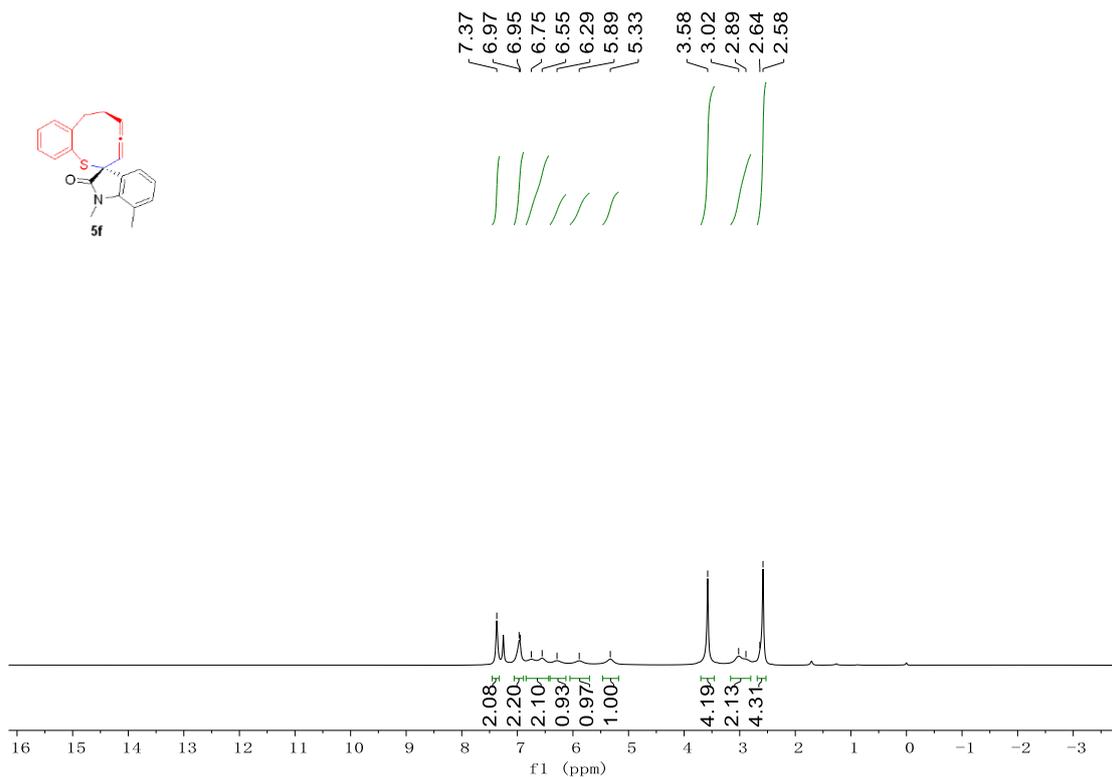
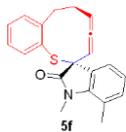


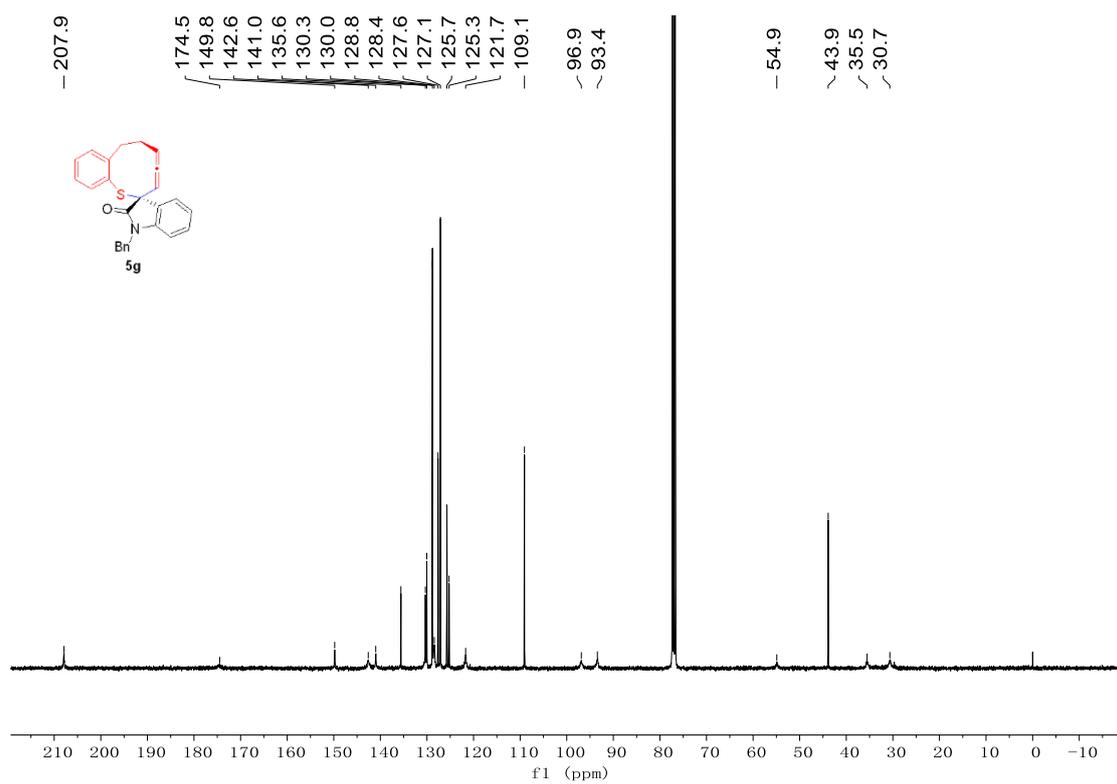
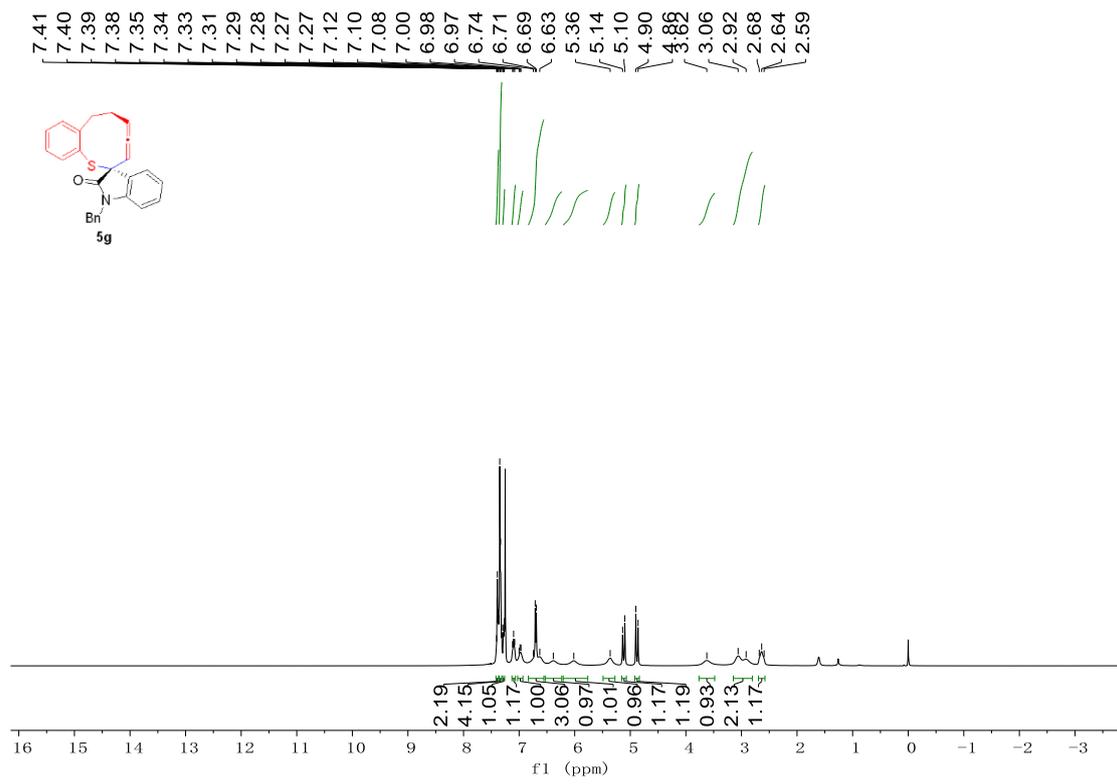






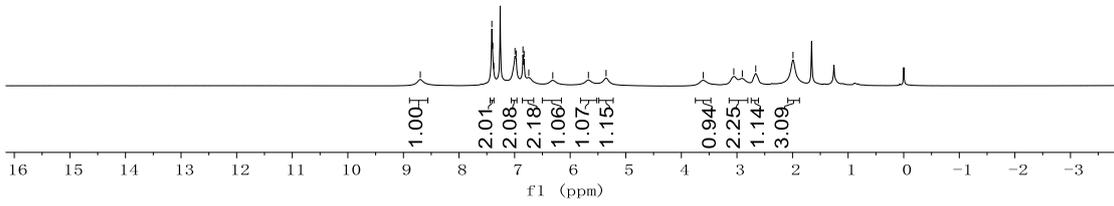








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