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### Organic reaction in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365mfc: Homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes

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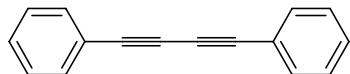
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## 1. General Methods

All of the reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) carried out on 0.25 mm Merck silica-gel (60-F254). The TLC plates were visualized with UV light and 7% phosphomolybdic acid or KMnO<sub>4</sub> in water/heat. Column chromatography was carried out on a column packed with silica-gel 60N spherical neutral size 63-210 µm. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (300 MHz), <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz), <sup>19</sup>F-NMR (282.3 MHz), <sup>19</sup>F-NMR (188.2 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (150.9 MHz) spectra for solution in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or THF-*d*<sub>8</sub> were recorded on a Bruker Avance 600 and Varian Mercury 200 or 300. Chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are expressed in ppm downfield from internal TMS or CHCl<sub>3</sub> or THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>. Mass spectra were recorded on a SHIMADZU GCMS-QP5050A. Infrared (IR), UV-vis and steady-state fluorescence spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-4100 Spectrometer, V-530 spectrometer and FP-6200 Fluorospectrometer, respectively. Fluorescence quantum yields were calculated following the procedure mentioned before. MALDI-TOF MS was measured by Shimadzu Axima CFR+. Reverse phase HPLC analyses were performed on a JASCO PU-2080 Plus using 4.6 x 250 mm Develosil ODS-HG-5 column and MD-2015 multiwavelength detector.

## 2. Homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes in Solkane®365mfc

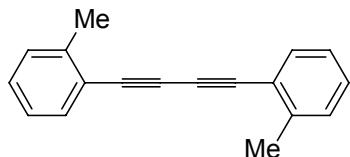
### 1,4-Diphenylbuta-1,3-diyne (2a)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1a** (54.9  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 1.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2a** as a white solid (47.1 mg, 93%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz)  $\delta$  7.28-7.36 (m, 6H), 7.48-7.53 (m, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  73.9, 81.5, 121.7, 128.4, 129.2, 132.5; IR (KBr) 3049, 2924, 2371, 2316, 2148, 1591, 1568, 1484, 1439, 754, 686 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 202 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

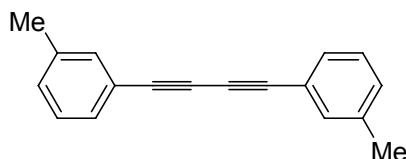
### 1,4-Di-*o*-tolylbuta-1,3-diyne (2b)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1b** (63.0  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), DBU (74.7  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 2.5 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2b** as a wheat solid (51.6 mg, 90%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz)  $\delta$  2.49 (s, 6H), 7.10-7.30 (m, 6H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  20.7, 77.5, 81.1, 121.7, 125.6, 129.1, 129.6, 132.9, 141.6; IR (KBr) 2950, 2925, 1728, 1595, 1455, 1288, 1276, 941, 750, 714 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 230 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>2</sup>

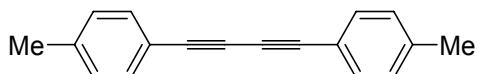
**1,4-Di-*m*-tolylbuta-1,3-diyne (**2c**)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1c** (64.5  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), DBU (74.7  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 3.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2c** as a lightyellow solid (50.0 mg, 87%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz)  $\delta$  2.33 (s, 6H), 7.14-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.30-7.34 (m, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  21.2, 73.6, 81.6, 121.6, 128.3, 129.6, 130.1, 132.9, 138.1; IR (KBr) 2916, 2142, 1596, 1577, 1480, 1090, 904, 876, 786, 686 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 230 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>2</sup>

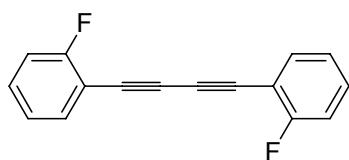
**1,4-Di-*p*-tolylbuta-1,3-diyne (**2d**)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1d** (63.4  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 1.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2d** as a white solid (51.0 mg, 89%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz)  $\delta$  2.36 (s, 6H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  21.6, 73.4, 81.5, 118.7, 129.2, 132.4, 139.5; IR (KBr) 2918, 2135, 1897, 1502, 1406, 1173, 1039, 1017, 808, 522 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 230 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

**1,4-Bis(2-fluorophenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2e**)**

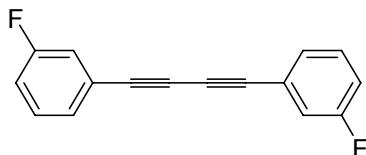


A mixture of terminal alkyne **1e** (56.7  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 3.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2e** as a wheat solid (54.2

mg, 91%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 7.07-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.33-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.55 (m, 2H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 75.8, 78.3, 110.4 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz), 115.7 (d, *J* = 20.5 Hz), 124.1 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 131.1 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 134.3, 163.7 (d, *J* = 253.7 Hz) ; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 282.3 MHz) δ -108.9 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 7.1 Hz, 2F) ; IR (KBr) 1570, 1483, 1445, 1269, 1231, 1203, 1100, 833, 750, 730 cm<sup>-1</sup> ; MS (EI, *m/z*) 238 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>2</sup>

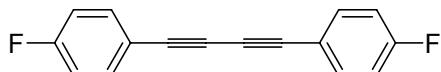
### 1,4-Bis(3-fluorophenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (2f)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1f** (57.8 µL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 µL, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 2.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2f** as a wheat solid (52.9 mg, 89%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 7.08-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.32 (s, 4H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 74.4, 80.6 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 116.9 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 119.2 (d, *J* = 23.1 Hz), 123.3 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 128.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 130.1 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 162.2 (d, *J* = 247.5 Hz) ; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 282.3 MHz) δ -112.7-112.8 (m, 2F) ; IR (KBr) 1604, 1582, 1482, 1463, 1429, 1265, 1131, 931, 869, 783 cm<sup>-1</sup> ; MS (EI, *m/z*) 238 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>3</sup>

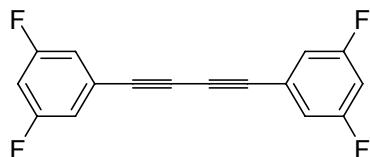
### 1,4-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (2g)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1g** (57.3 µL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 µL, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 4.5 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2g** as a lightyellow solid (51.2 mg, 86%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 7.04 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 4H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.7 Hz, 4H), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 73.5, 80.4, 115.9 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 117.8, 134.5 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 163.0 (d, *J* = 251.6 Hz) ; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 282.3 MHz) δ -109.0 (tt, *J* = 9.0, 4.8 Hz, 2F) ; IR (KBr) 2143, 1888, 1595, 1586, 1502, 1227, 1159, 1093, 828, 696 cm<sup>-1</sup> ; MS (EI, *m/z*) 238 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

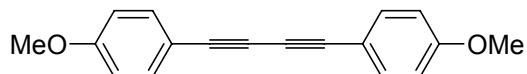
**1,4-Bis(3,5-difluorophenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2h**)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1h** (59.4  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 1.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2h** as a khaki solid (56.2 mg, 82%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz)  $\delta$  6.85 (tt, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00-7.05 (m, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  75.0, 80.0 (t, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 106.0 (t, *J* = 25.4 Hz), 115.5 (dd, *J* = 21.2, 6.0 Hz), 123.9 (t, *J* = 11.8 Hz), 162.6 (dd, *J* = 250.2, 13.1 Hz); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 188.2 MHz)  $\delta$  -108.2 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 4F); IR (KBr) 3097, 3075, 1615, 1587, 1450, 1428, 1328, 1123, 993, 963, 859, 846, 665 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 274 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>4</sup>

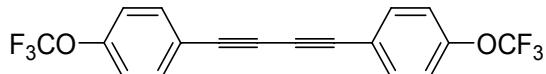
**1,4-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2i**)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1i** (64.8  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), DBU (74.7  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 5.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 90/10) to give **2i** as a lightyellow solid (55.7 mg, 85%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz)  $\delta$  3.82 (s, 6H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 4H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  55.3, 72.9, 81.2, 113.8, 114.1, 134.0, 160.2; IR (KBr) 2841, 2138, 1599, 1503, 1294, 1255, 1167, 1028, 841, 821 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 262 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

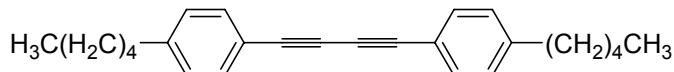
**1,4-Bis(4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2j**)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1j** (76.6  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 4.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2j** as a darkorange solid (77.6 mg, 84%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 74.4, 80.4, 120.27, 120.31 (q, *J* = 258.8 Hz), 120.9, 134.1, 149.6; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 282.3 MHz) δ -58.2 (s, 6F); IR (KBr) 2962, 2144, 1900, 1577, 1501, 1254, 1215, 1176, 1016, 836 cm<sup>-1</sup>; mp = 111-114 °C; MS (EI, *m/z*) 370 (M<sup>+</sup>); HRMS calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>: 370.0428 Found: 370.0400.

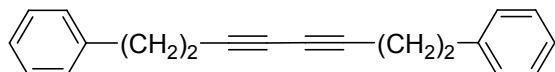
### 1,4-Bis(4-n-pentylphenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2k**)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1k** (97.3 μL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 μL, 0.050 mmol), DBU (74.7 μL, 0.50 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 5.5 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2k** as a white solid (83.6 mg, 98%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 6H), 1.27-1.38 (m, 8H), 1.53-1.67 (m, 4H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 14.0, 22.5, 30.8, 31.4, 35.9, 73.5, 81.5, 118.9, 128.5, 132.4, 144.5; IR (KBr) 2927, 2857, 2140, 1602, 1504, 1466, 1455, 1175, 1018, 839 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 342 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>3</sup>

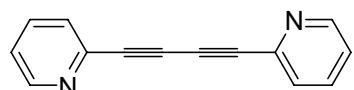
### 1,8-Di-phenylocta-3,5-diyne (**2l**)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1l** (70.3 μL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 μL, 0.050 mmol), DBU (74.7 μL, 0.50 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 6.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 99/1) to give **2l** as a white solid (61.4 mg, 95%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ 2.51 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 2.81 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.15-7.32 (m, 10H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 21.4, 34.6, 65.9, 76.8, 126.4, 128.3, 128.4, 140.1; IR (KBr) 2927, 1601, 1496, 1451, 1252, 1078, 1029, 751, 720, 700 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 258 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>5</sup>

### 1,4-Di(pyridin-2-yl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2m**)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1m** (50.5 μL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 μL, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was

stirred at rt for 6.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 70/30) to give **2m** as a darkkhaki solid (46.9 mg, 92%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ 7.29 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 4.9, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 8.61 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 73.0, 80.8, 123.7, 128.3, 136.1, 141.8, 150.3; IR (KBr) 1575, 1560, 1459, 1425, 1240, 986, 774, 734 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 204 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

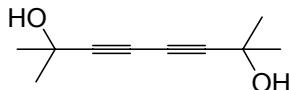
### 1,4-Di(thiophen-3-yl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2n**)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1n** (49.3 μL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 μL, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mf (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 3.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2n** as a darkkhaki solid (47.9 mg, 89%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 7.17 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 2.1, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 73.5, 76.5, 120.8, 125.6, 130.1, 131.2; IR (KBr) 3102, 2143, 1352, 1215, 1077, 928, 868, 781, 690, 622 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 214 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>6</sup>

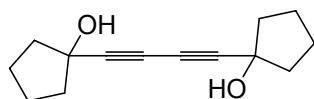
### 2,7-Dimethylocta-3,5-diyne-2,7-diol (**2o**)



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1o** (48.5 μL, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 μL, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mf (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 3.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 70/30) to give **2o** as a white solid (36.5 mg, 88%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ 1.53 (s, 12H), 1.93 (brs, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz) δ 31.0, 65.6, 66.3, 83.9; IR (KBr) 3217, 2981, 1448, 1382, 1364, 1171, 965, 954, 741, 710 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI, *m/z*) 166 (M<sup>+</sup>). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>2</sup>

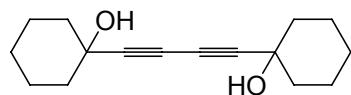
**1,1'-(Buta-1,3-diyne-1,4-diyl)dicyclopentanol (2p)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1p** (57.3  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5 $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 2.5 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 80/20) to give **2p** as a white solid (52.3 mg, 96%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz)  $\delta$  1.71-1.99 (m, 18H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  23.4, 42.4, 67.4, 74.8, 83.2 ; IR (KBr) 3279, 2978, 2962, 2948, 1385, 1206, 1092, 993, 906, 689 cm<sup>-1</sup> ; MS (EI, *m/z*) 200 (M<sup>+</sup>-H<sub>2</sub>O). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

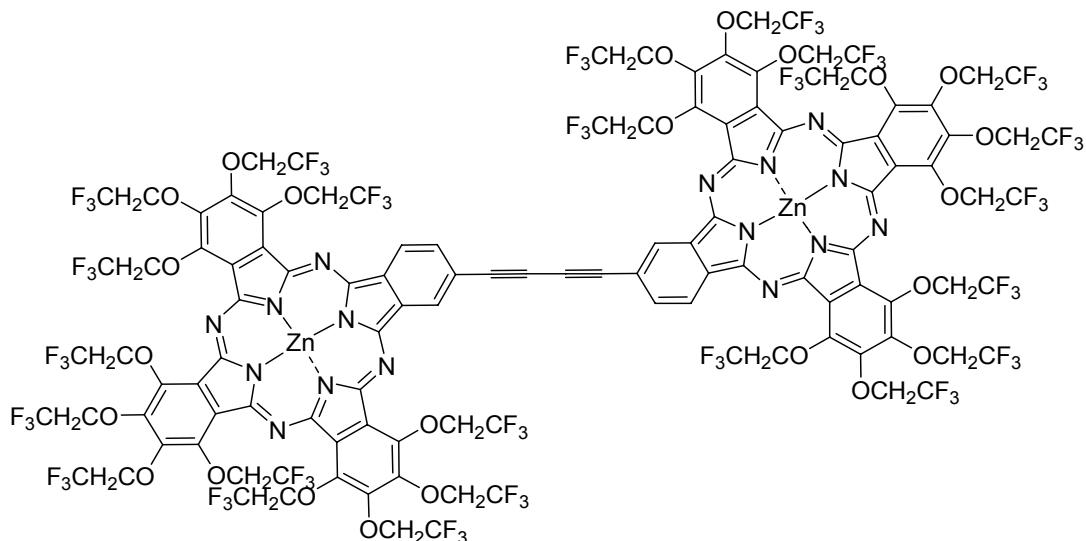
**1,1'-(Buta-1,3-diyne-1,4-diyl)dicyclohexanol (2q)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1q** (62.1 mg, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 24.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 80/20) to give **2q** as a white solid (56.0 mg, 91%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz)  $\delta$  1.25-1.27 (m, 4H), 1.52-1.72 (m, 12H), 1.91-1.95 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 2H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150.9 MHz)  $\delta$  23.1, 25.0, 39.6, 68.3, 69.2, 82.9 ; IR (KBr) 3253, 2935, 2855, 1453, 1396, 1340, 1188, 1160, 1061, 962 cm<sup>-1</sup> ; MS (EI, *m/z*) 228 (M<sup>+</sup>-H<sub>2</sub>O). These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>1</sup>

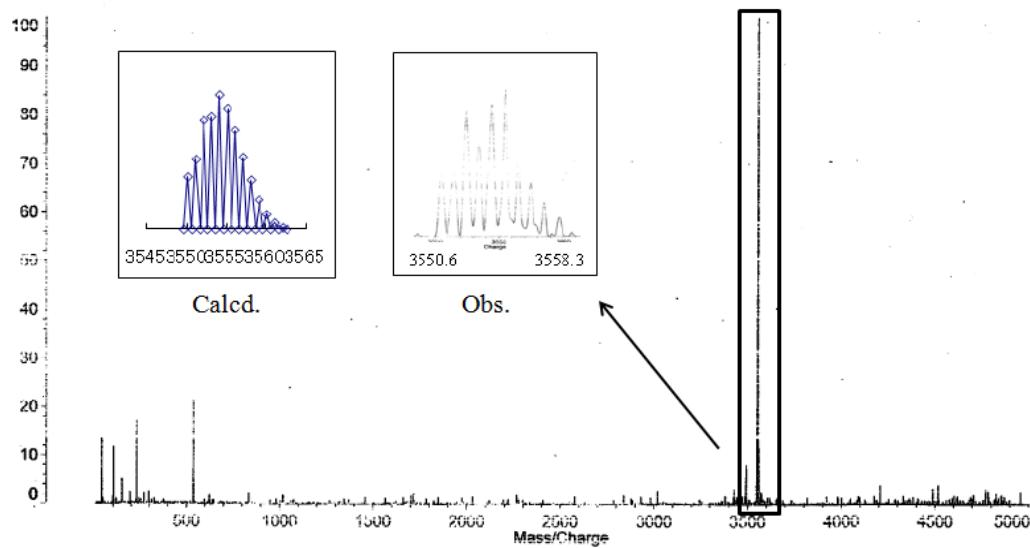
**Bis[zinc(II)(23-ethynyl-1,2,3,4,8,9,10,11,15,16,17,18-dodecakis(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)phthalocyaninate)]butadiyne (4)**



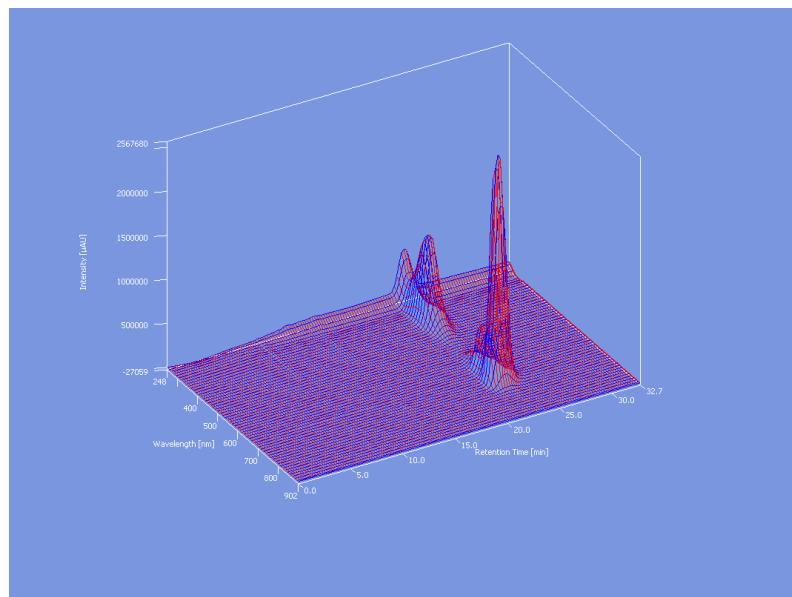
A mixture of terminal alkyne **3** (50.0 mg, 0.0281 mmol), TMEDA (4.2  $\mu$ L, 0.0281 mmol), DBU 4.2  $\mu$ L, 0.0281 mmol), CuCl (2.8 mg, 0.0281 mmol) in Solkane®365mfc (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 24.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 60/40) to give **4** as a green solid (32.9 mg, 66%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 300 MHz)  $\delta$  5.02-5.15 (m, 24H), 5.65-5.90 (m, 24H), 8.59 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 9.57 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 9.79 (s, 2H); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 282.3 MHz)  $\delta$  -73.4 - -73.5 (m, 12F), -74.0 - -74.1 (m, 24F), -74.5 - -74.7 (m, 36F); IR (KBr) 2968, 1487, 1439, 1274, 1158, 1120, 1069, 1022, 970, 924, 839, 762, 706, 663 cm<sup>-1</sup>; UV-vis (10<sup>-5</sup> M in PhCF<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) = 365 (5.08), 635 (4.86), 704 (5.55) nm, UV-vis (10<sup>-5</sup> M in Dioxane)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) = 364 (5.11), 636 (4.90), 708 (5.63) nm; Fluorescence (PhCF<sub>3</sub>)  $\lambda_{\text{em}}$  719 nm,  $\Phi_f$  = 0.0352, Fluorescence (Dioxane)  $\lambda_{\text{em}}$  724 nm,  $\Phi_f$  = 0.366.

MALDI-TOF MS (dithranol) : 3550.6-3558.5 ([M<sup>+</sup>] isotopic pattern).



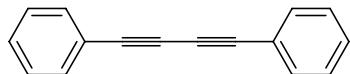
HPLC using an ODS columun ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{MeCN}/\text{THF} = 3.3/16.7/80$ , flow rate 0.3 mL/min,  $t_{\text{R}} = 27.9 \text{ min}$ )



These assignments are in good accord with those in the literature.<sup>7</sup>

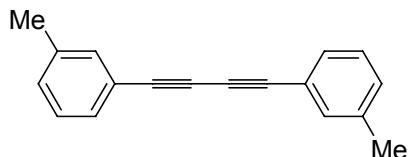
**3. Homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes in Solkane®365/227 (93/7)**

**1,4-Diphenylbuta-1,3-diyne (2a)**



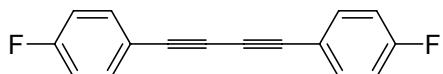
A mixture of terminal alkyne **1a** (54.9  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365/227 (93/7) (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 4.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2a** as a white solid (44.1 mg, 87%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum is completely much with homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes **1a** in Solkane®365mfc.

**1,4-Di-*m*-tolylbuta-1,3-diyne (2c)**



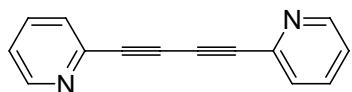
A mixture of terminal alkyne **1c** (64.5  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), DBU (74.7  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365/227 (93/7) (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 5.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2c** as a lightyellow solid (52.3 mg, 93%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum is completely much with homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes **1c** in Solkane®365mfc.

**1,4-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)buta-1,3-diyne (2g)**



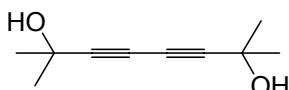
A mixture of terminal alkyne **1g** (57.3  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane®365/227 (93/7) (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 9.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane = 100) to give **2g** as a lightyellow solid (45.5 mg, 76%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum is completely much with homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes **1g** in Solkane®365mfc.

**1,4-Di(pyridin-2-yl)buta-1,3-diyne (**2m**)**



A mixture of terminal alkyne **1m** (50.5  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365/227 (93/7) (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 9.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 70/30) to give **2m** as a darkkhaki solid (44.6 mg, 87%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum is completely much with homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes **1m** in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365mfc.

**2,7-Dimethylocta-3,5-diyne-2,7-diol (**2o**)**

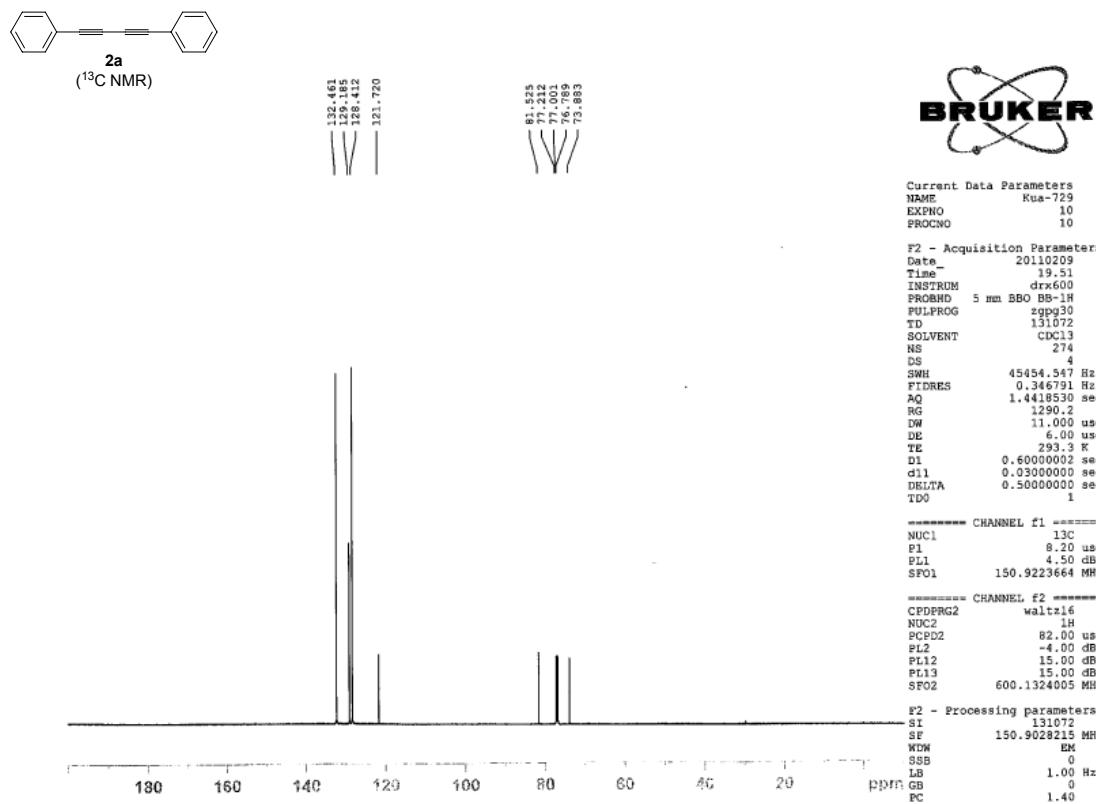
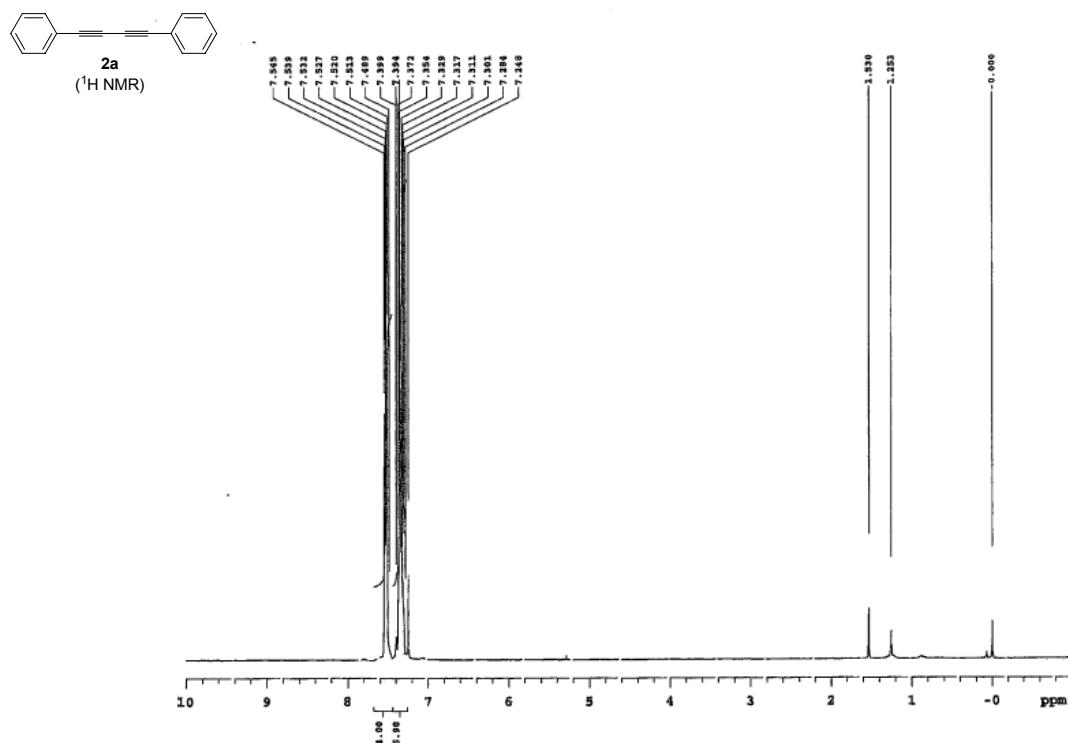


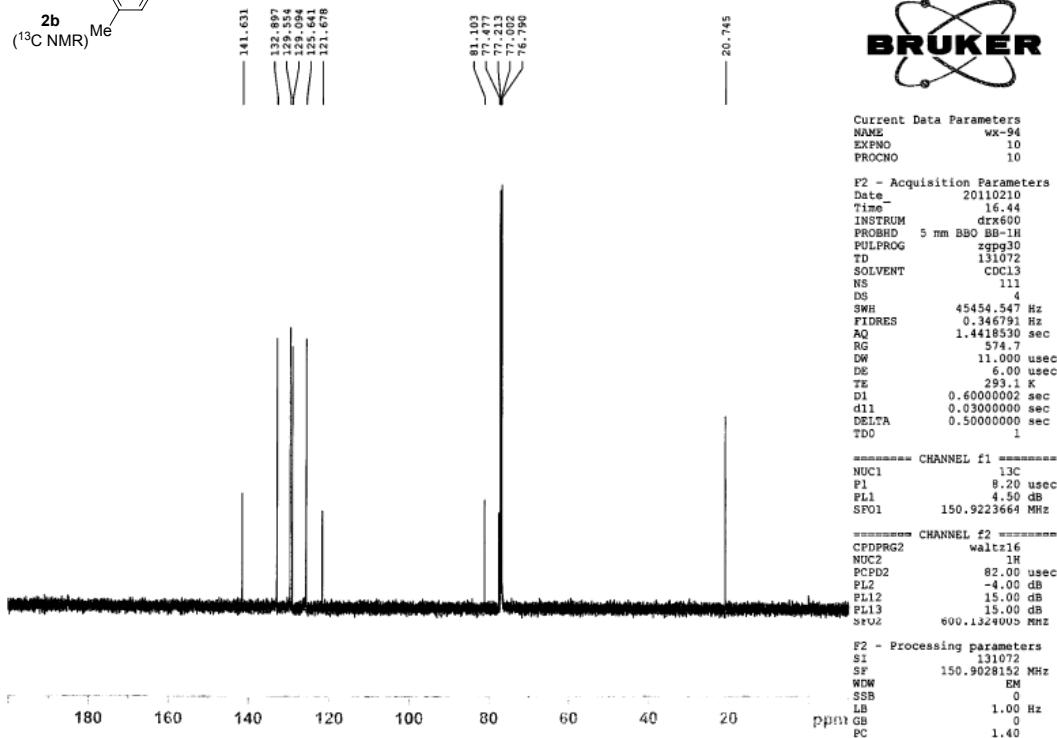
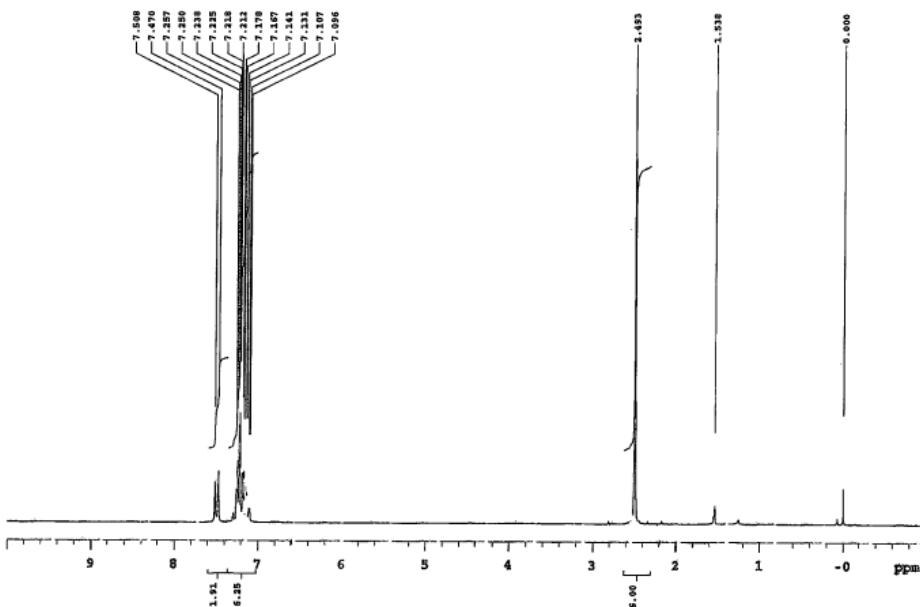
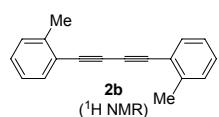
A mixture of terminal alkyne **1o** (48.5  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol), TMEDA (7.5  $\mu$ L, 0.050 mmol), CuCl (5.0 mg, 0.050 mmol) in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365/227 (93/7) (1.0 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of air at rt. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 3.0 h. After dilution with sat. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aq, aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 70/30) to give **2o** as a white solid (38.6 mg, 93%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum is completely much with homocoupling reaction of terminal alkynes **1o** in Solkane<sup>®</sup>365mfc.

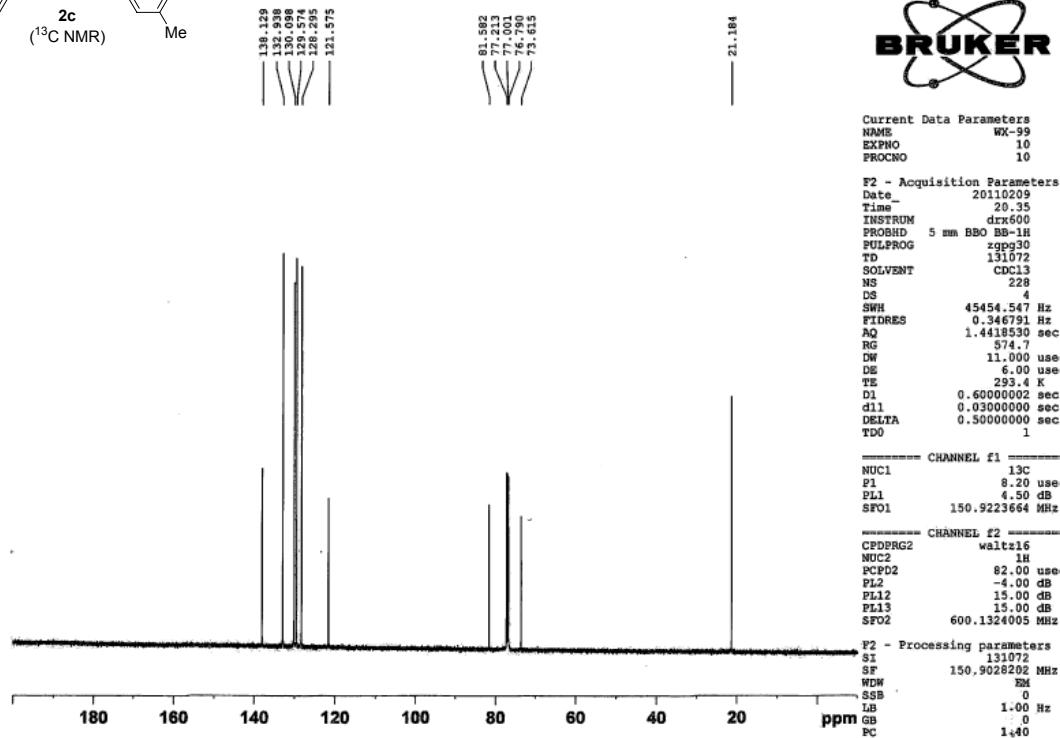
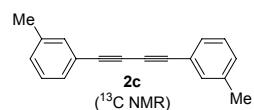
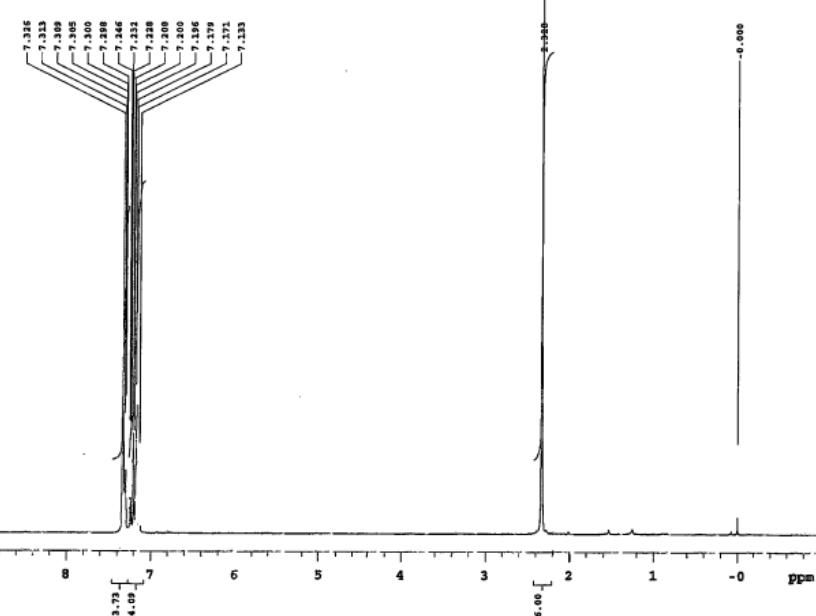
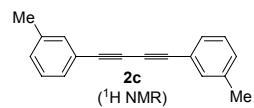
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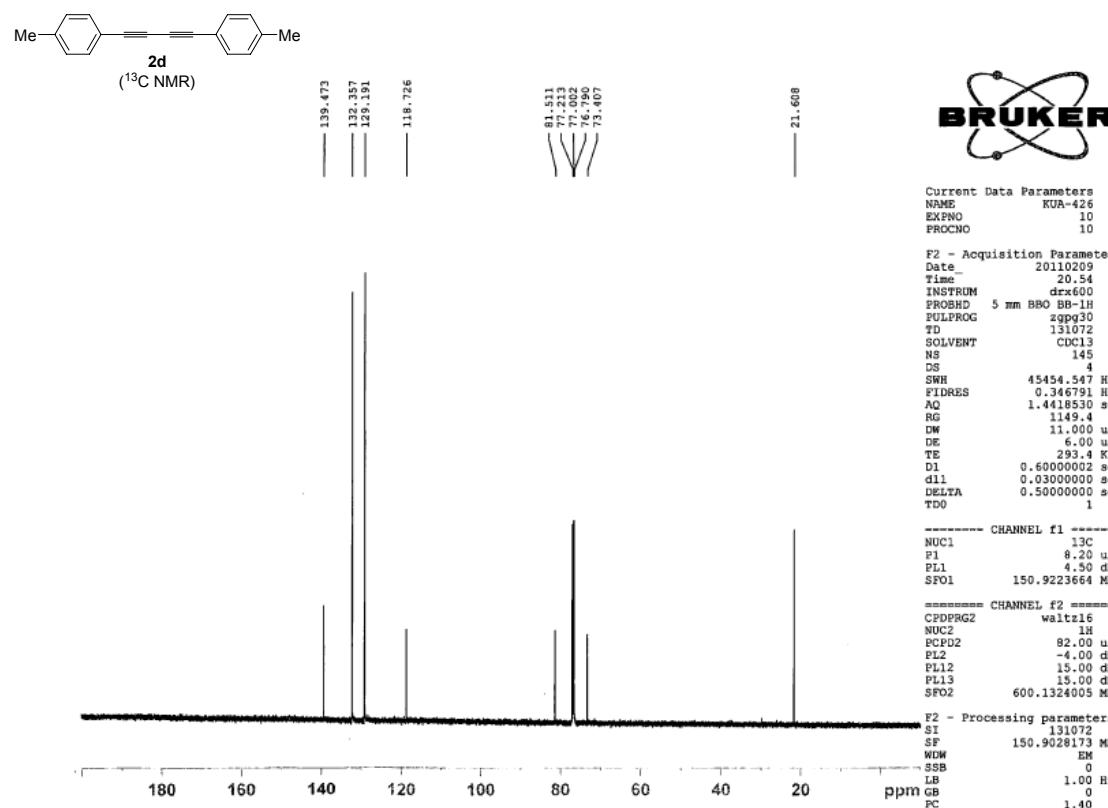
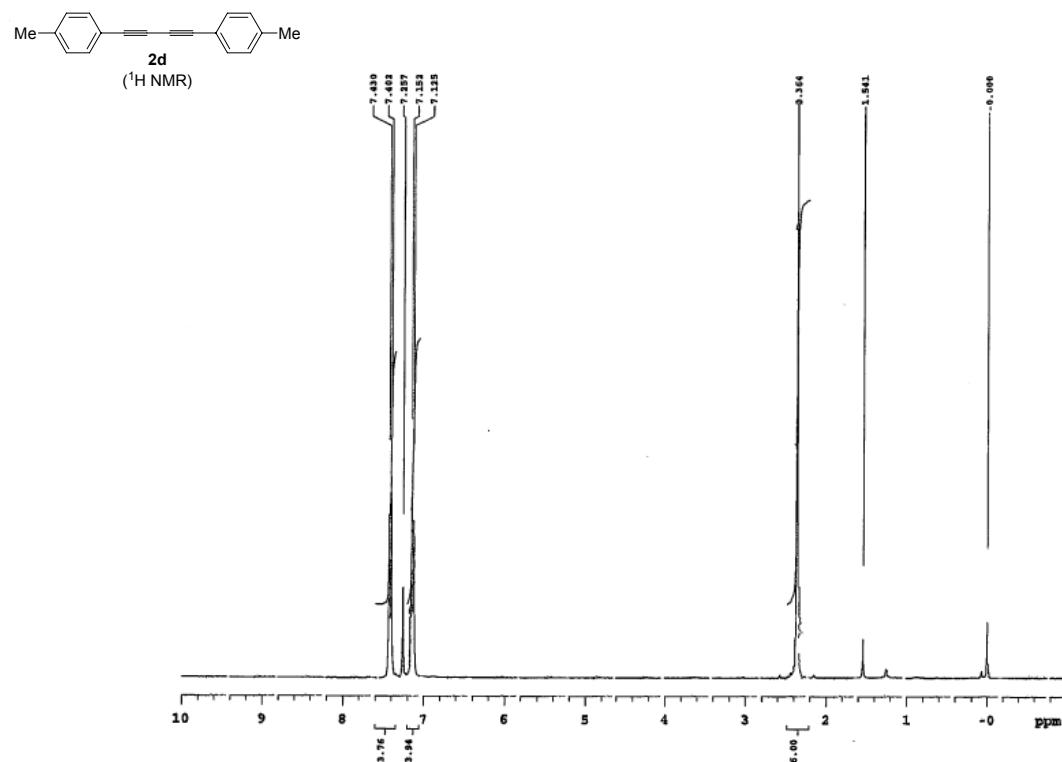
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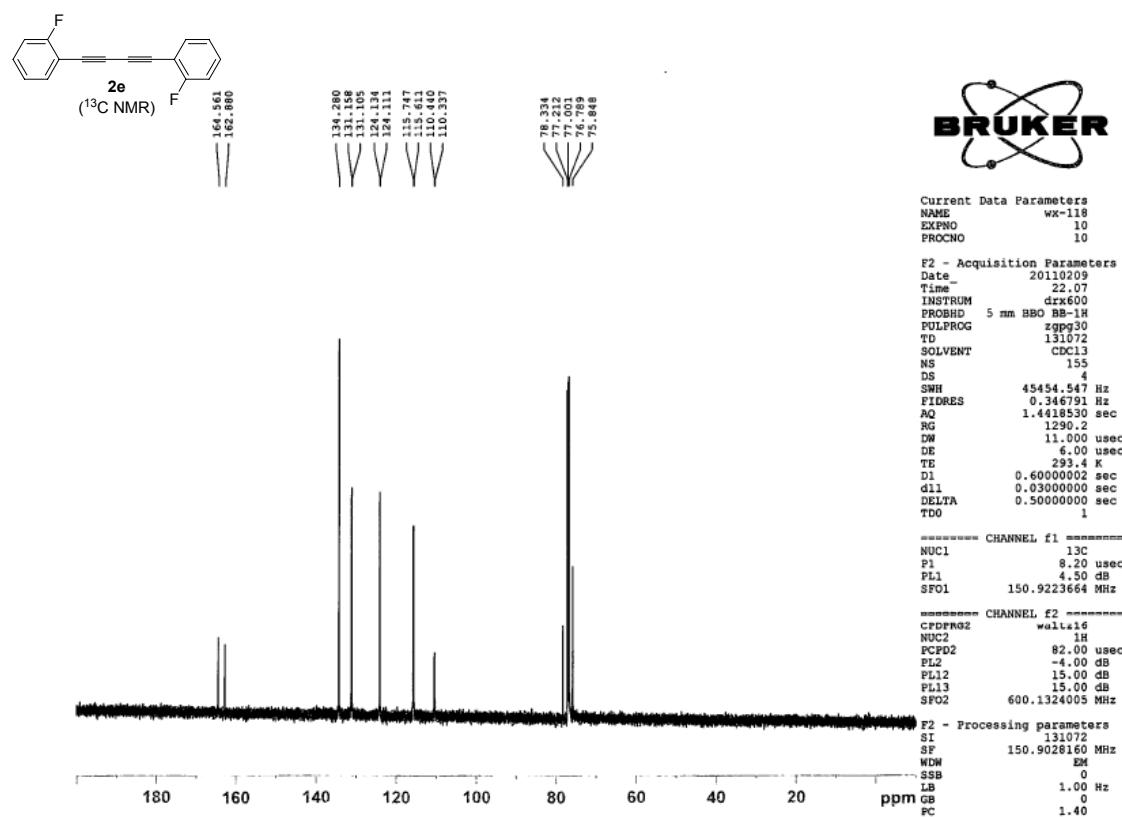
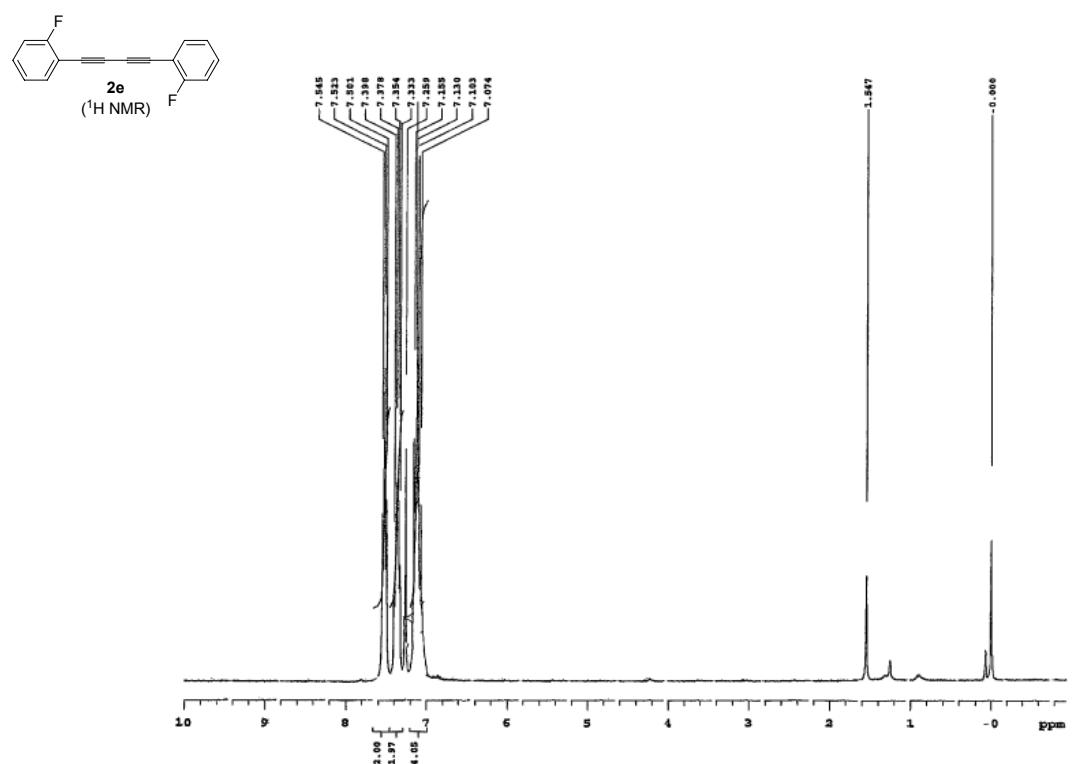
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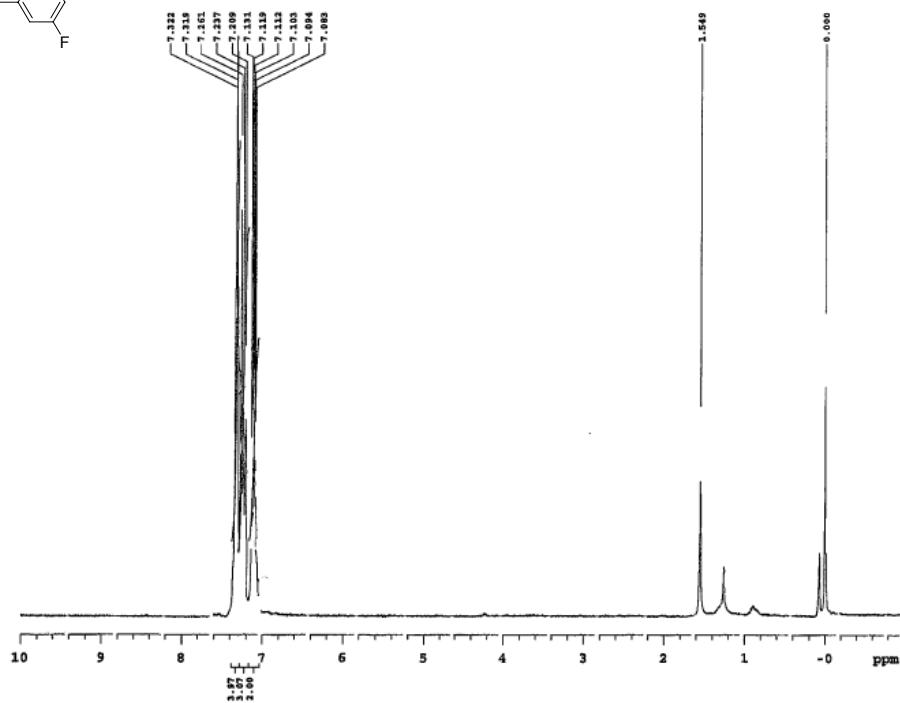
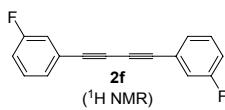
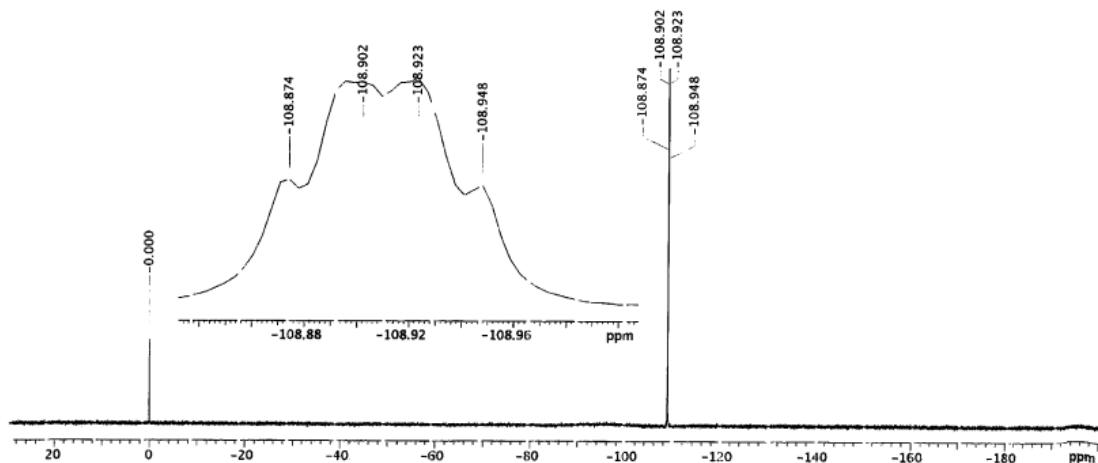
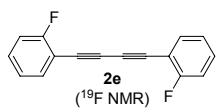


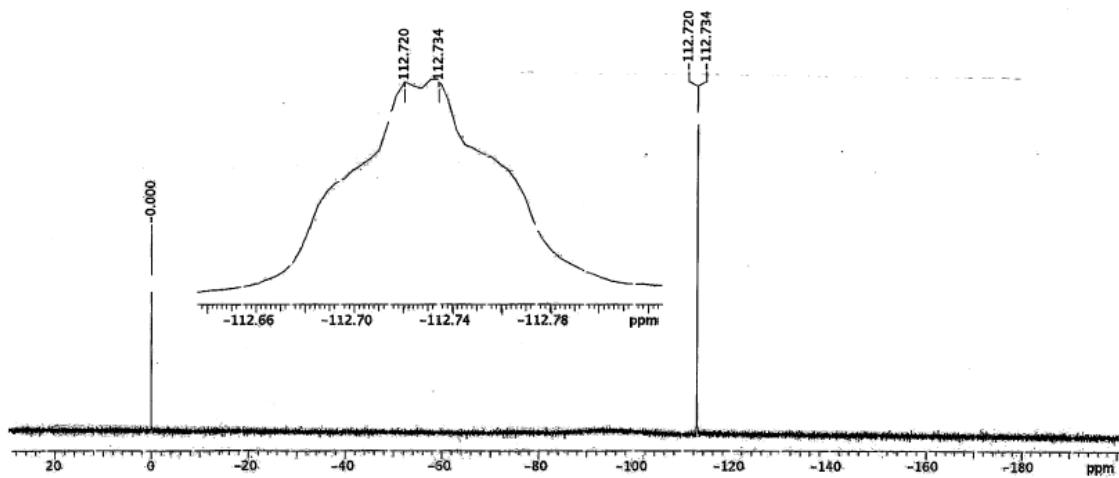
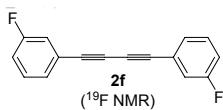
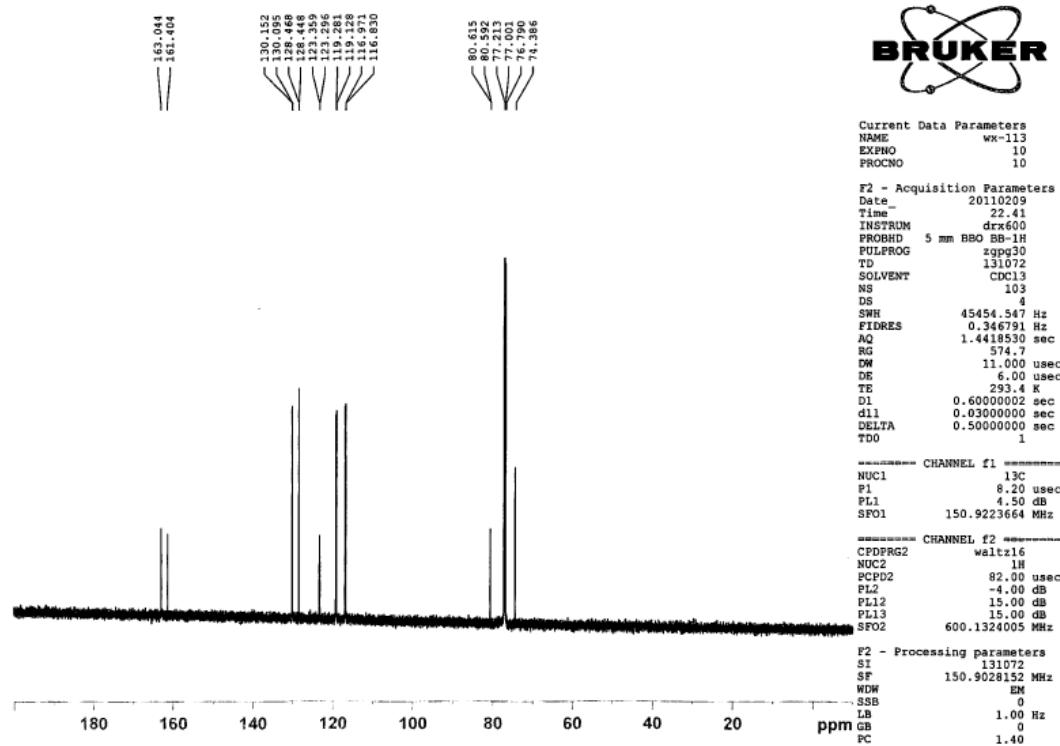
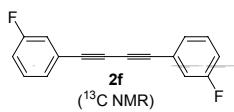


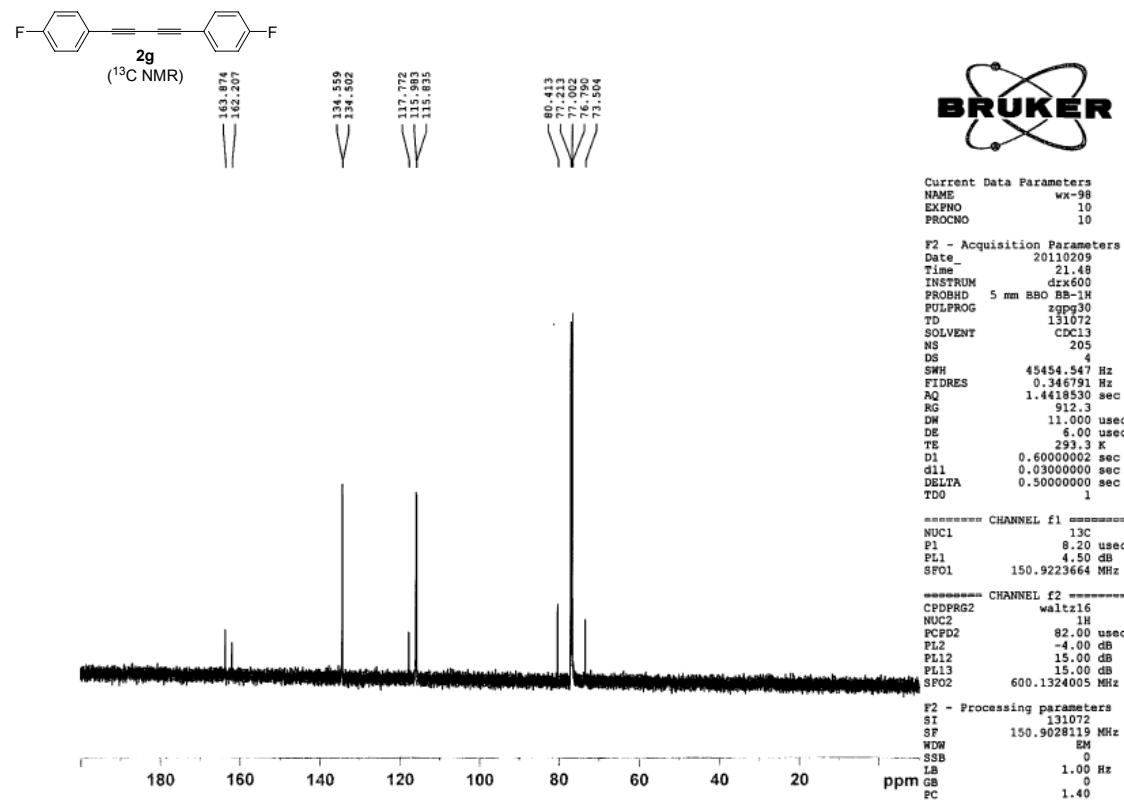
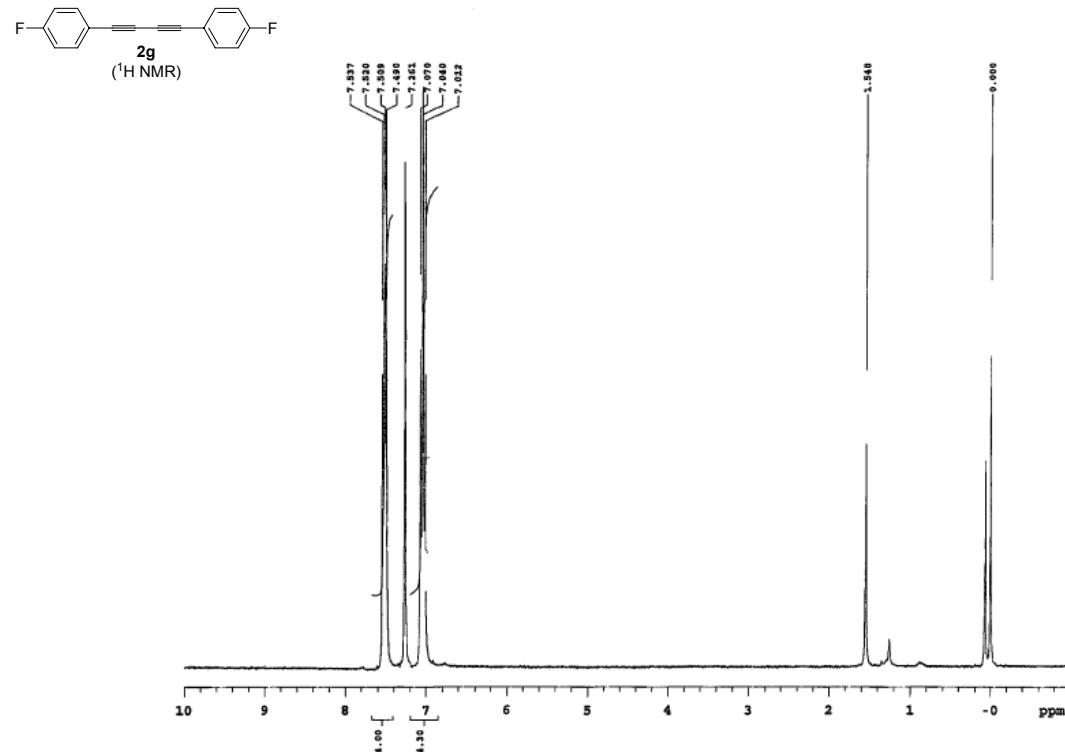


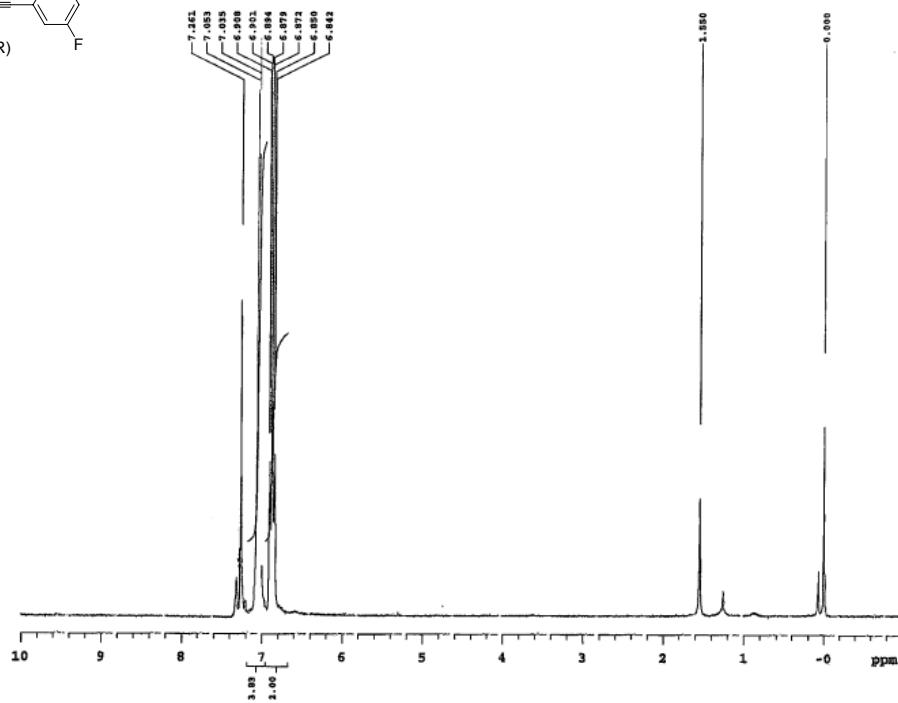
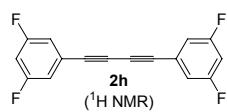
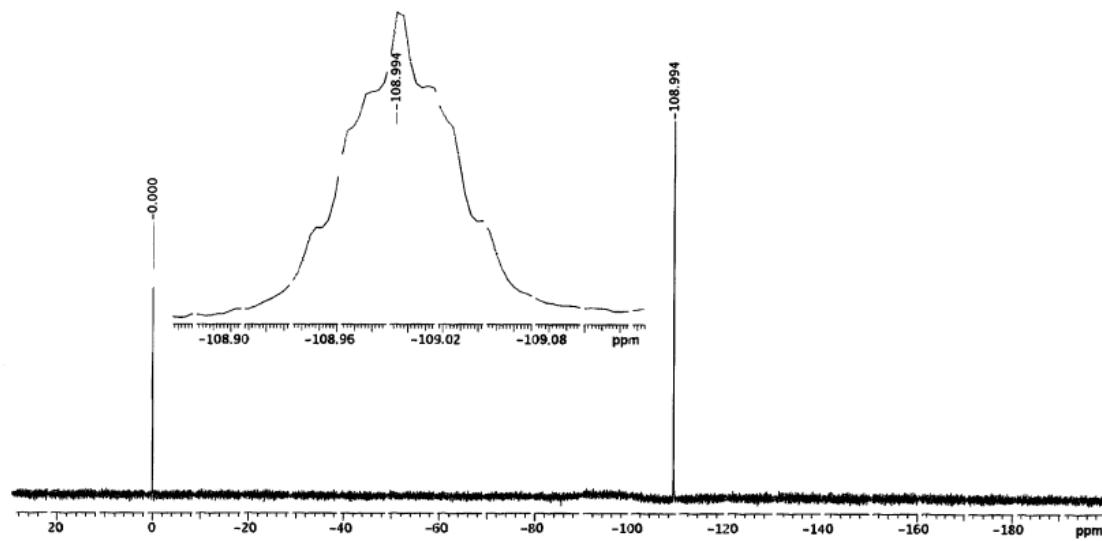
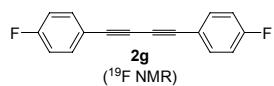


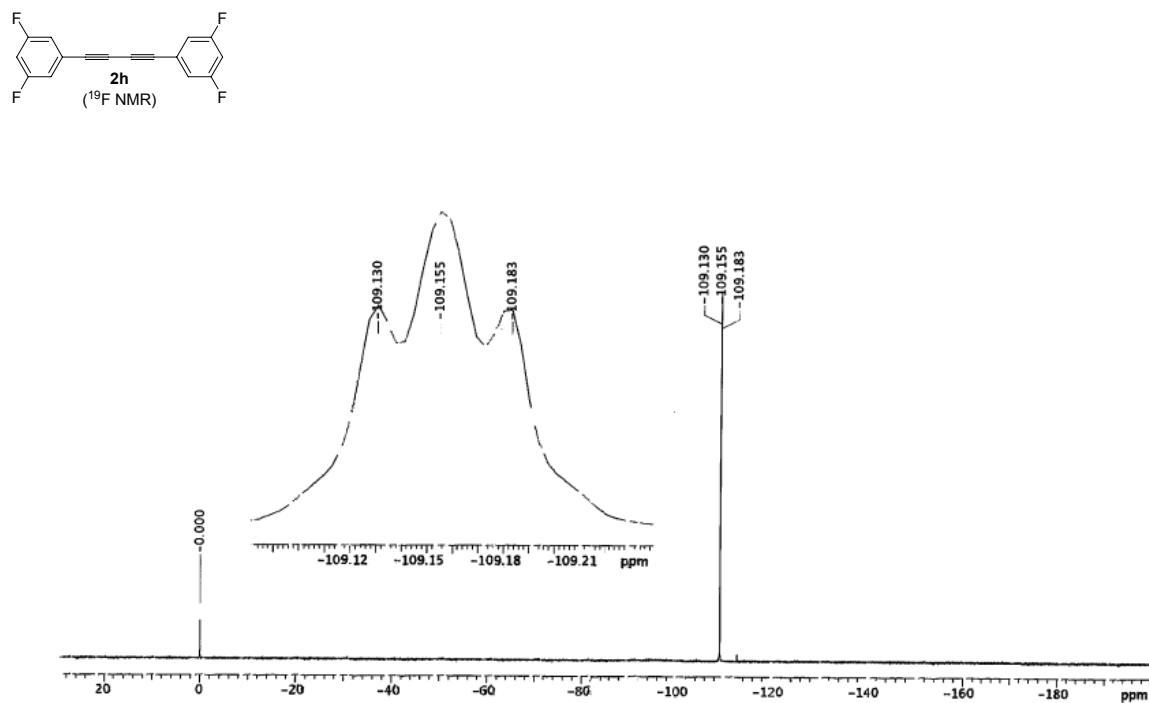
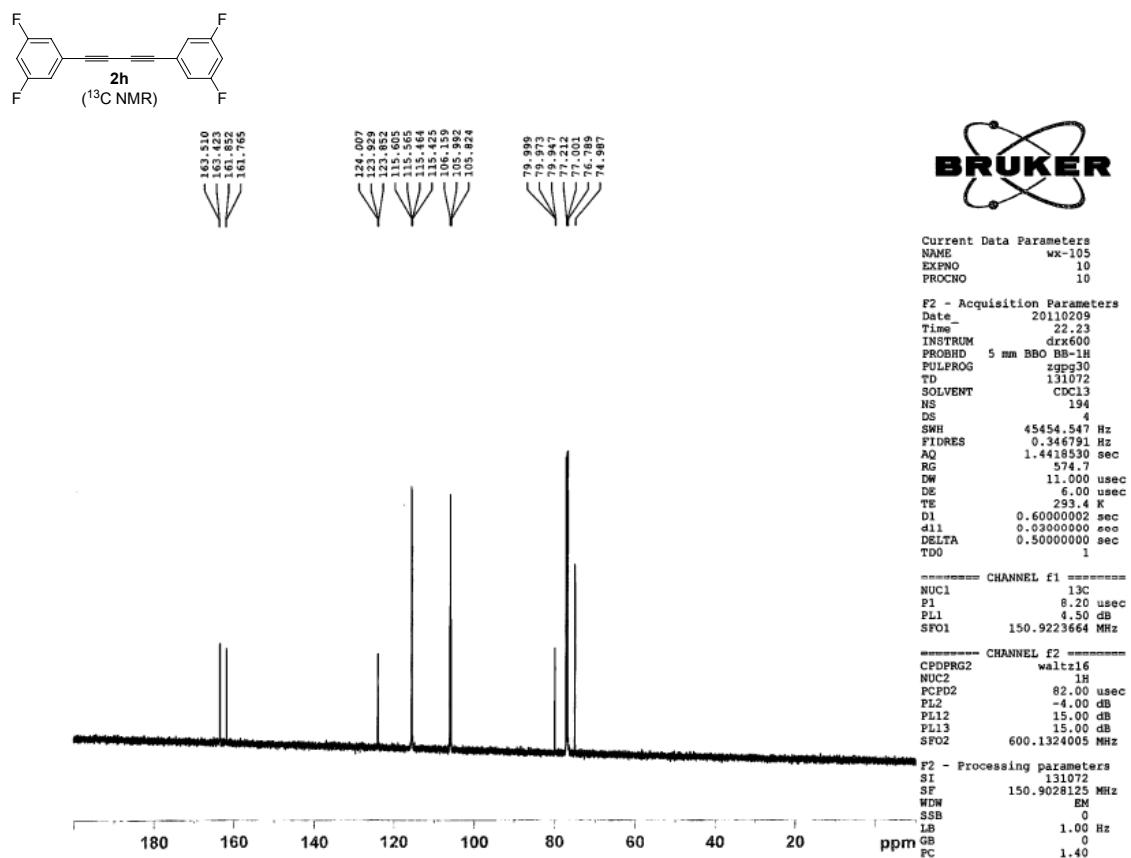


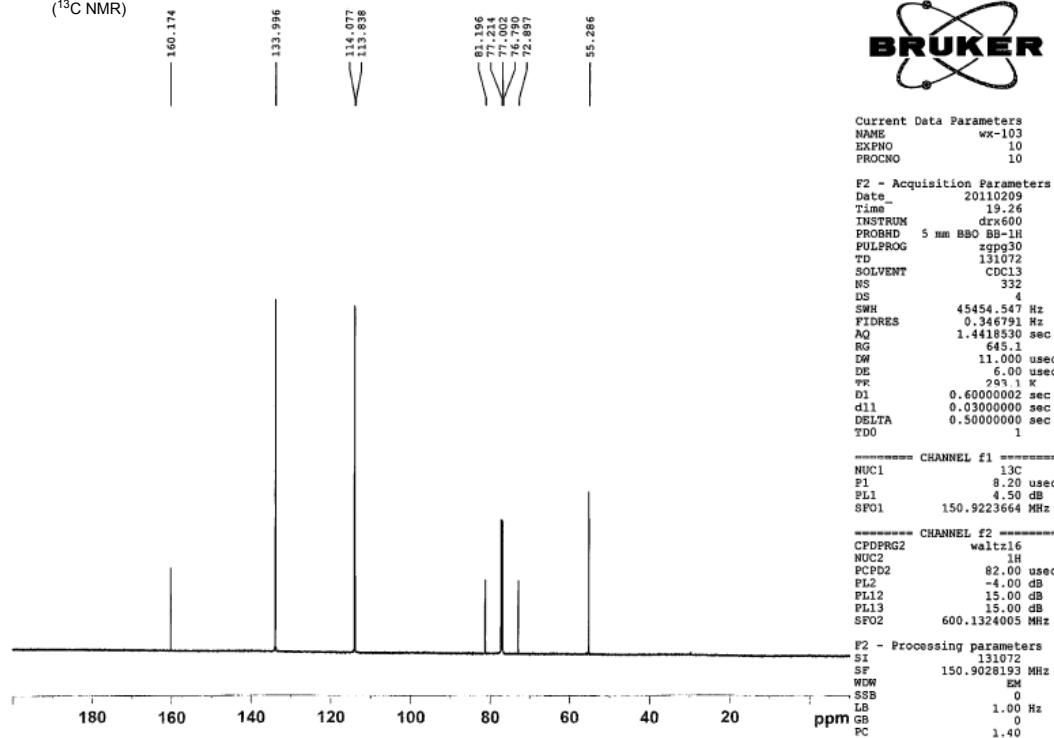
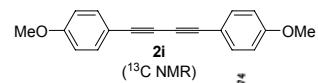
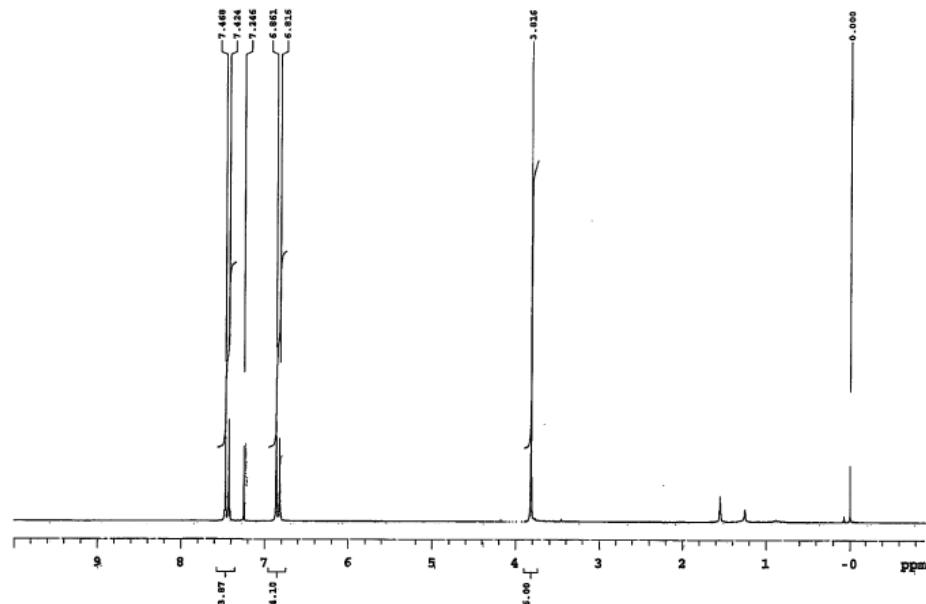
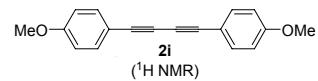


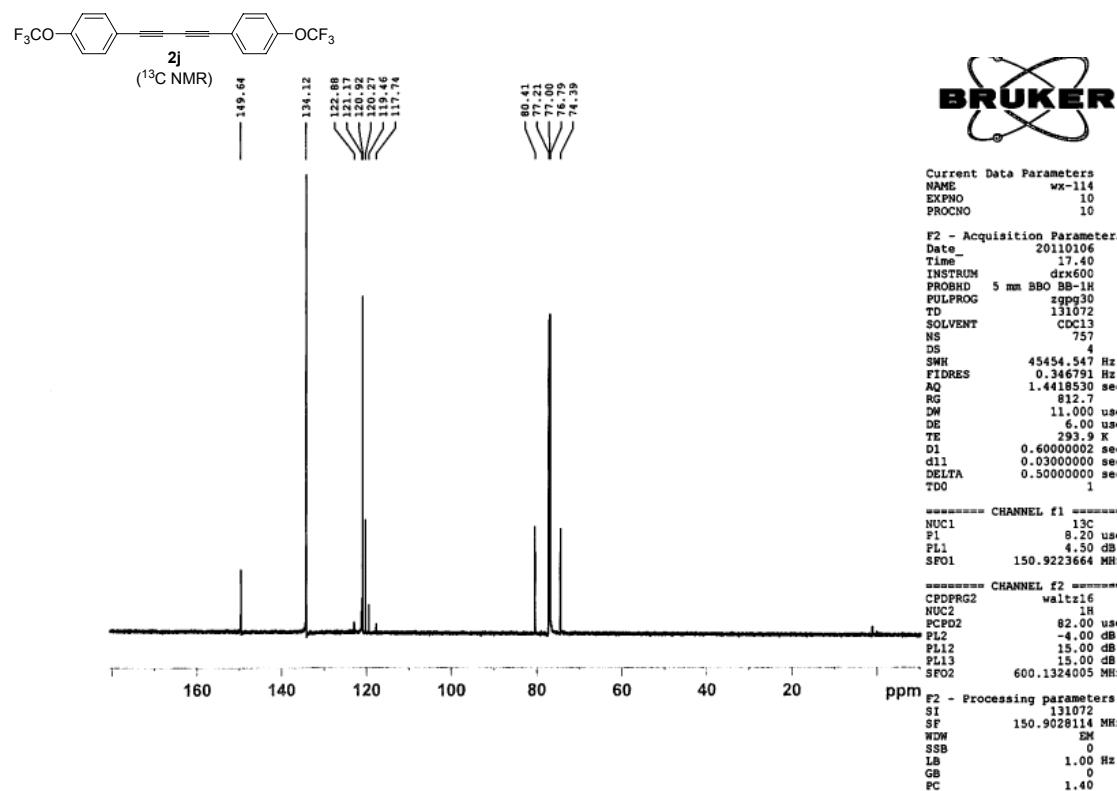
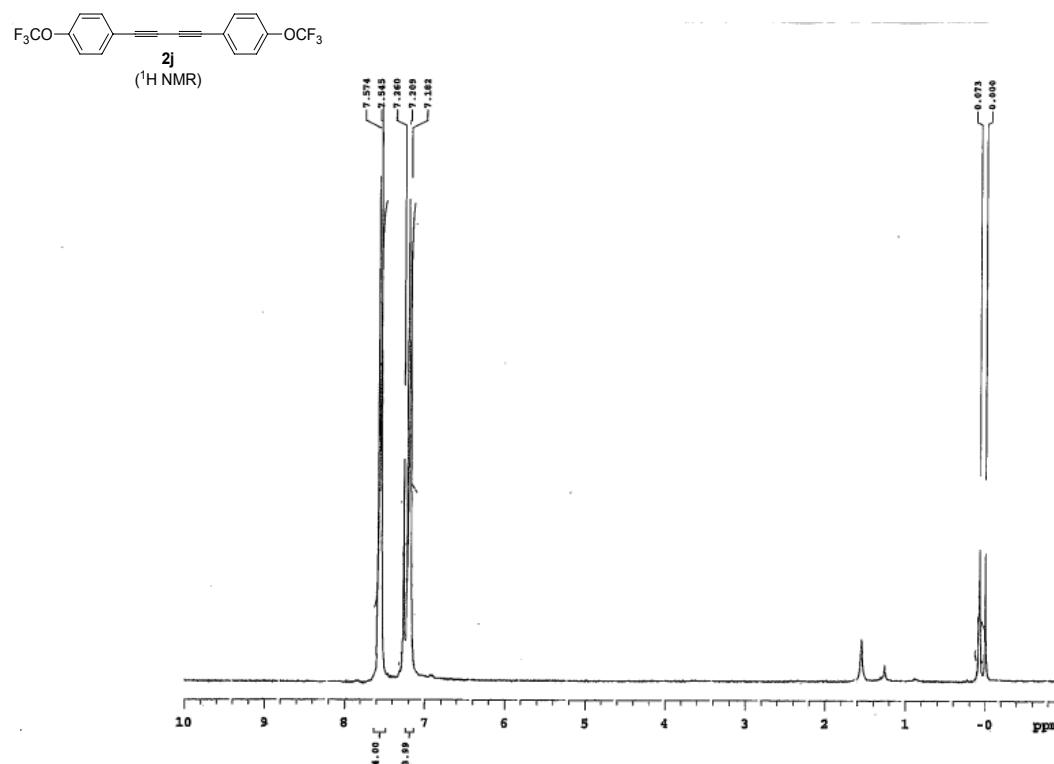


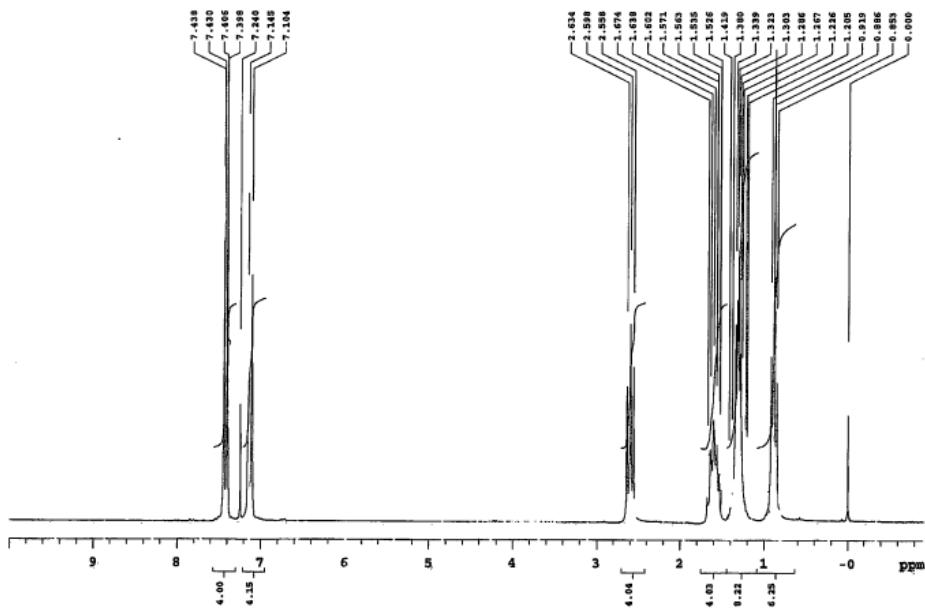
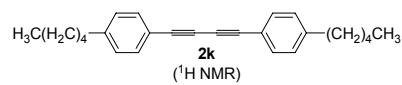
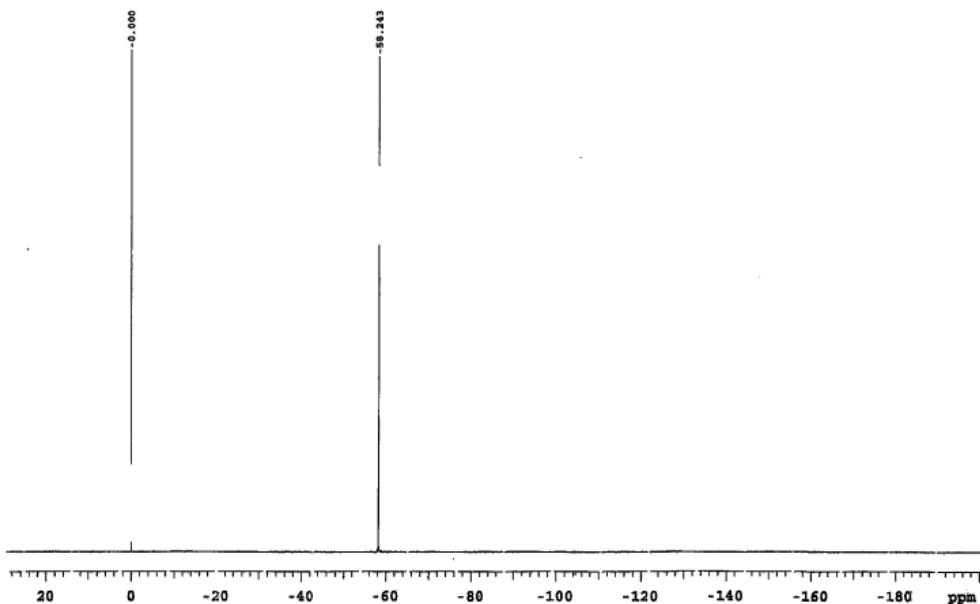
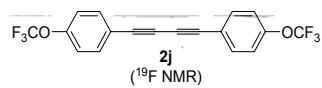


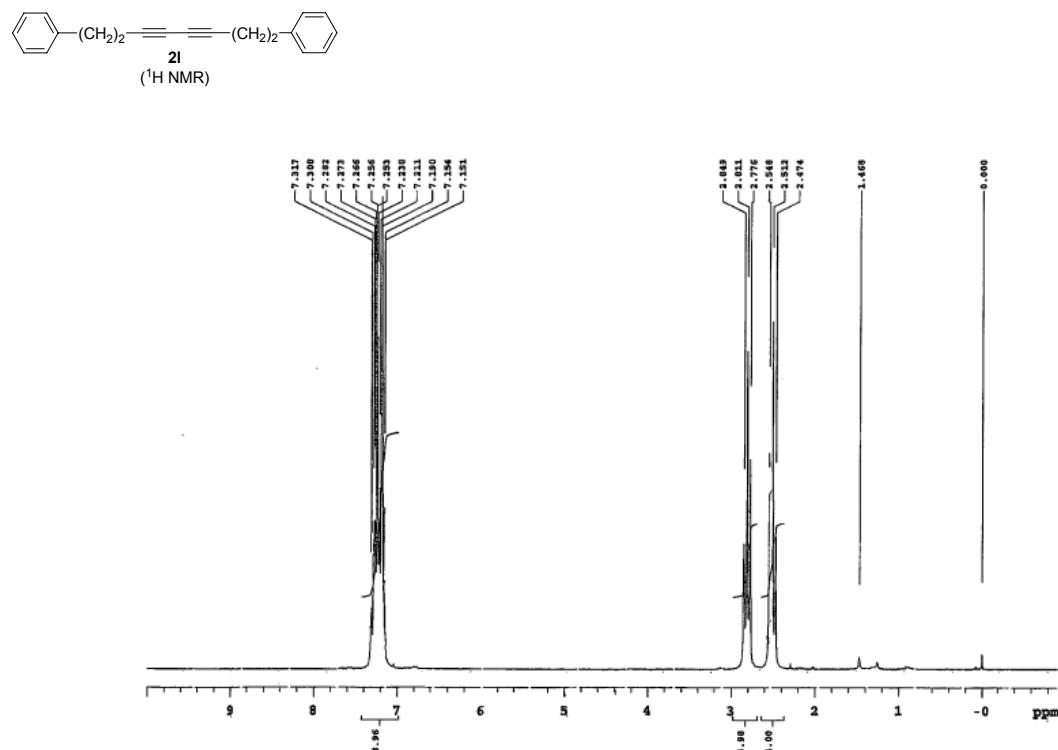
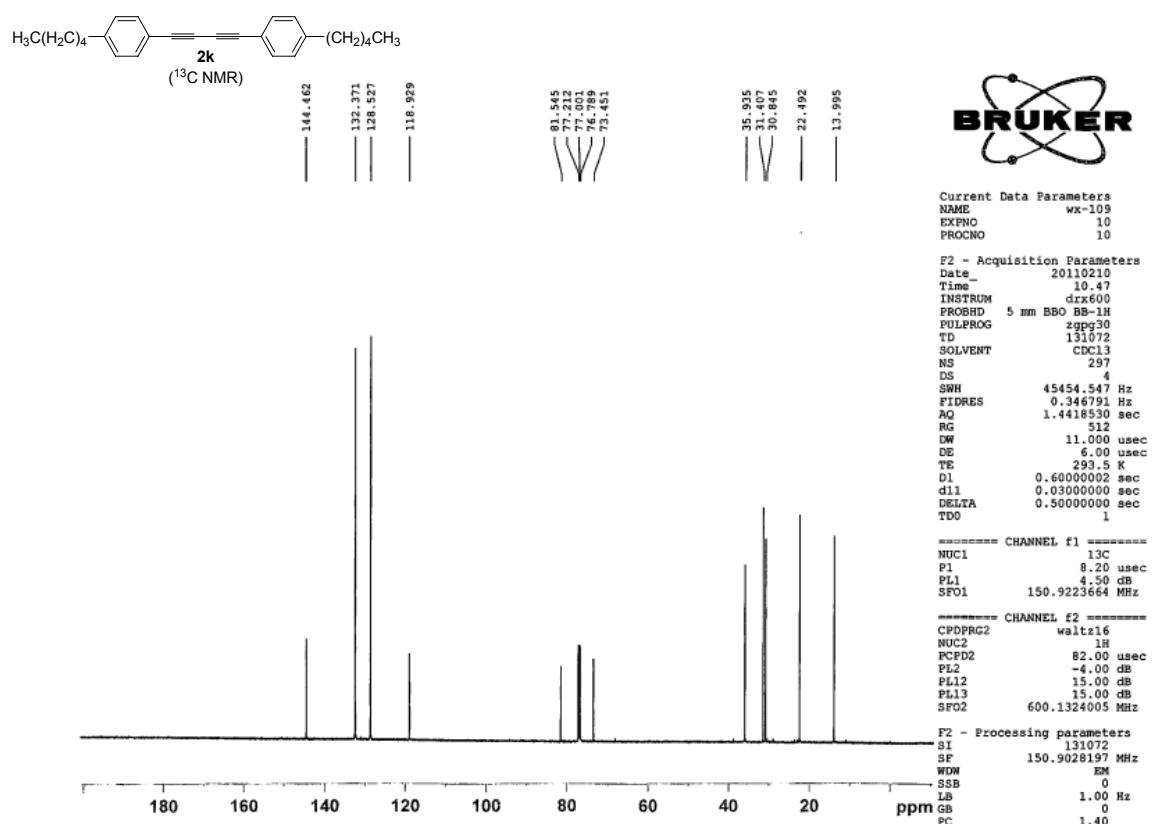




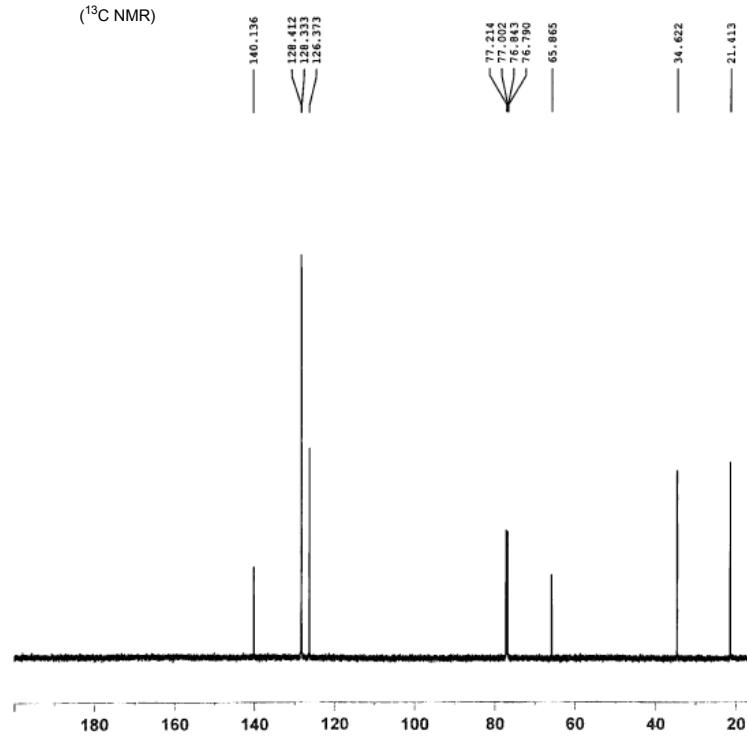
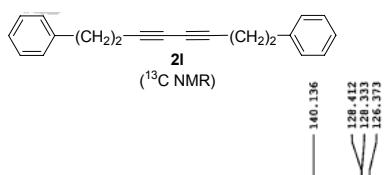








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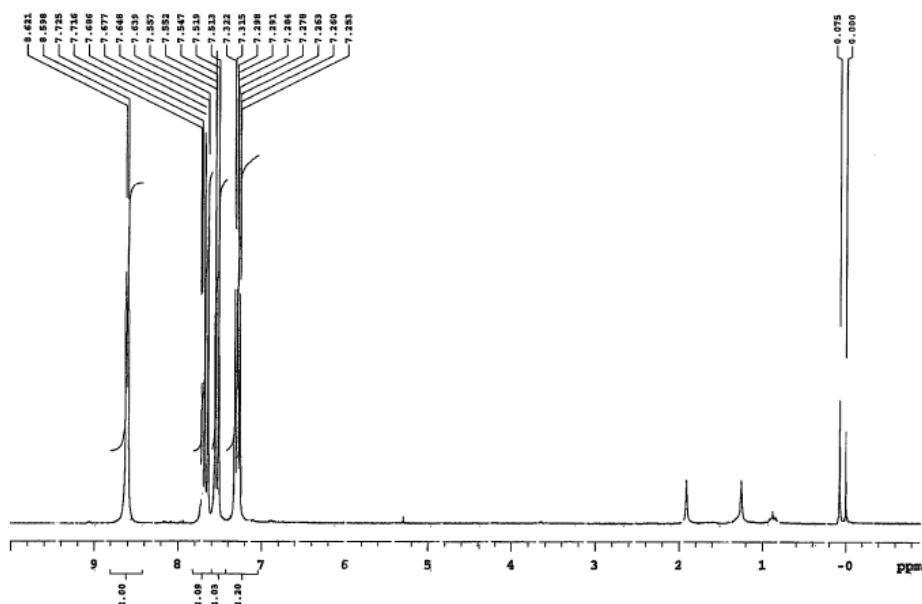
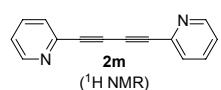
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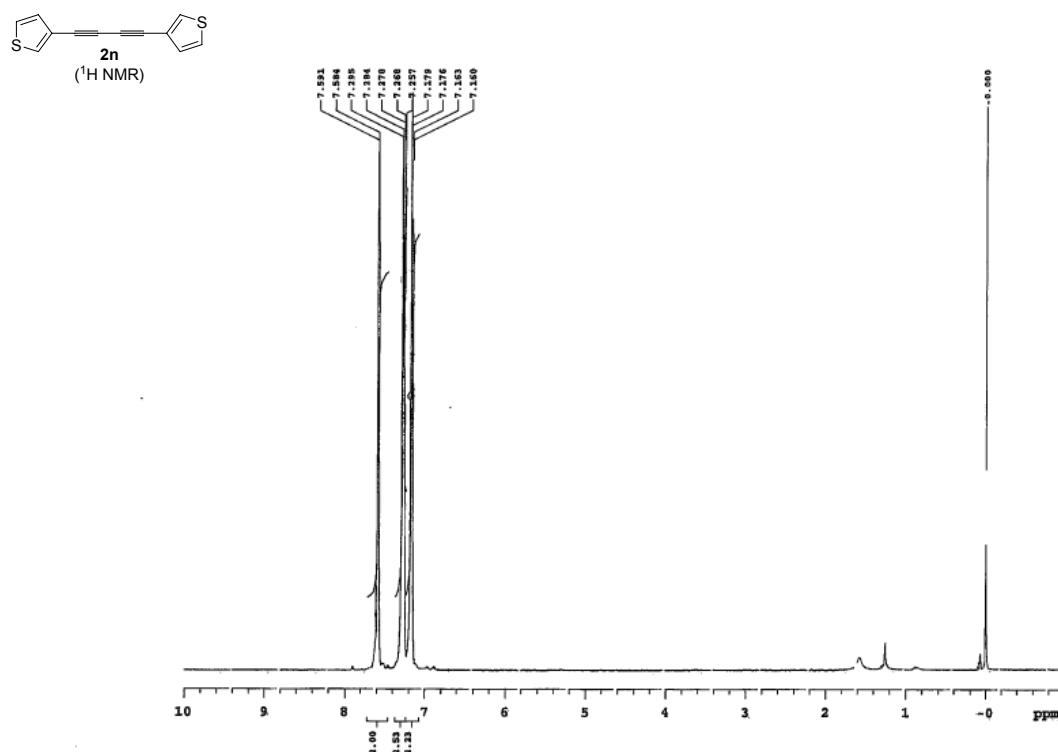
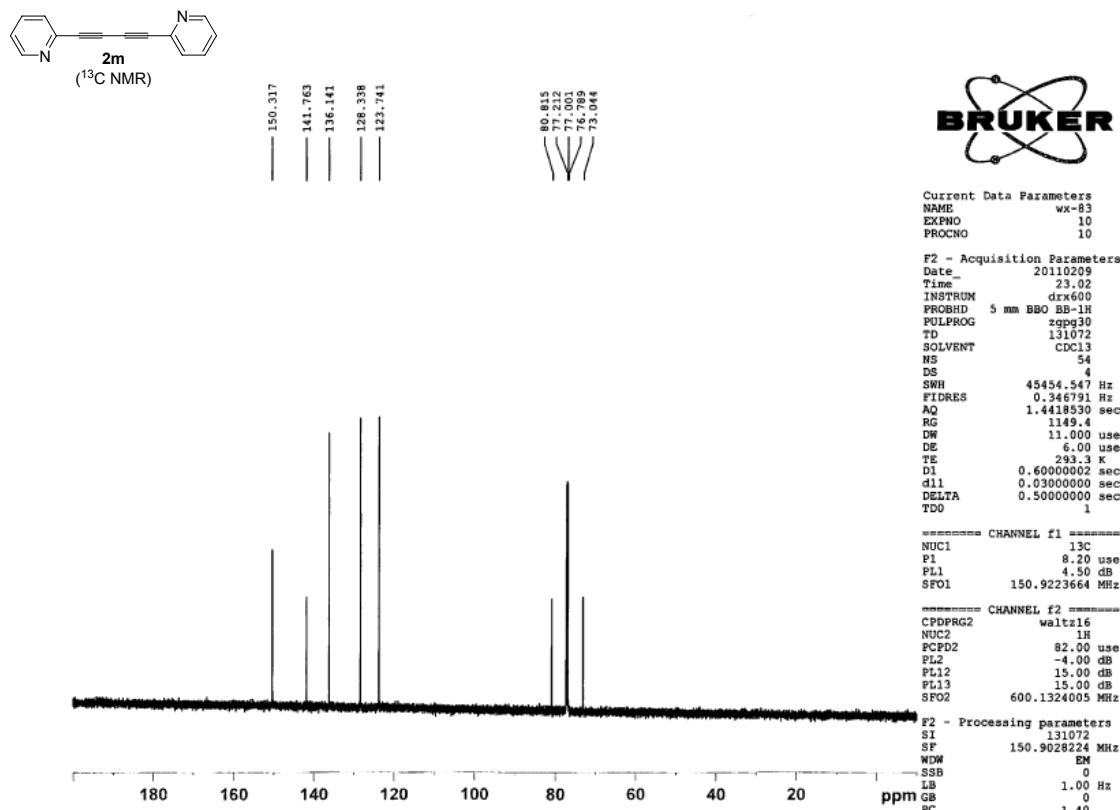
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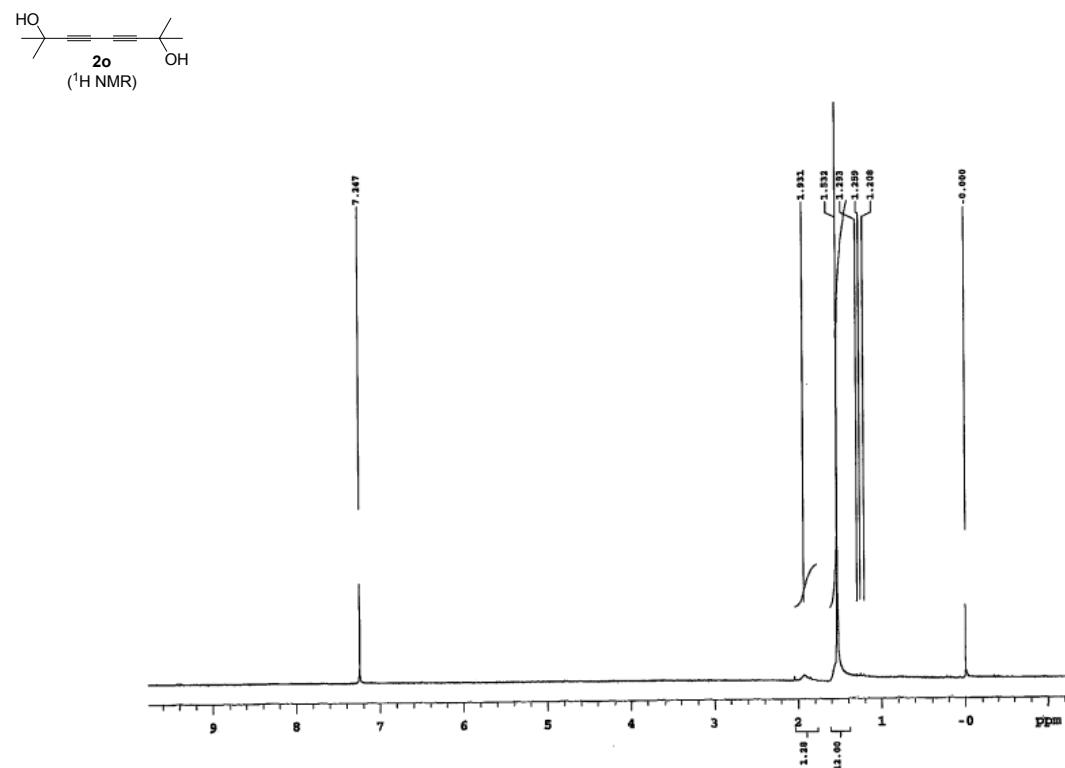
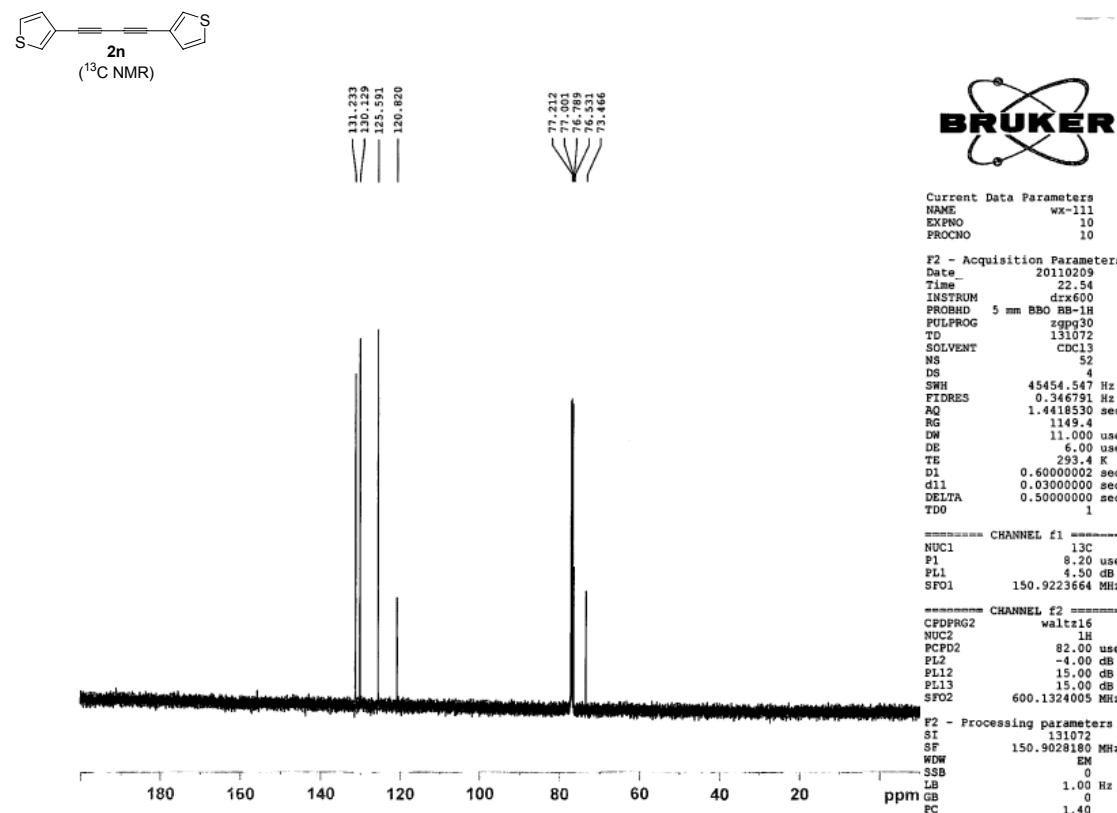
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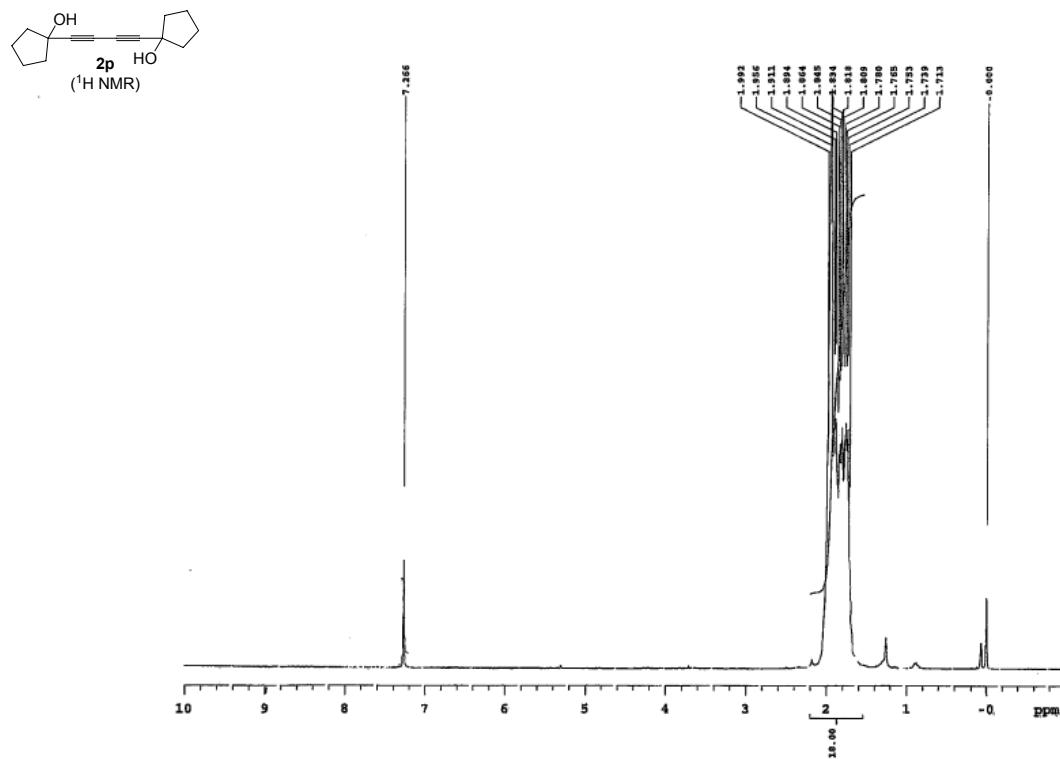
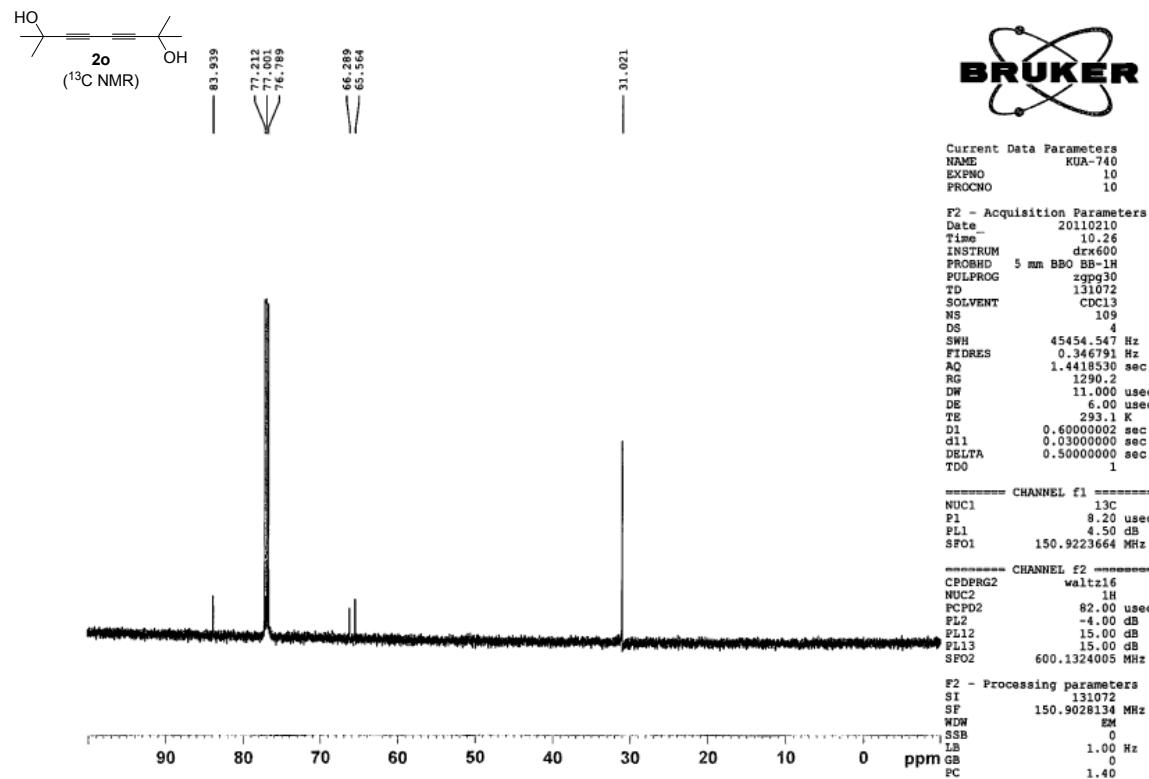
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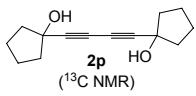
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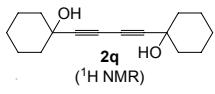
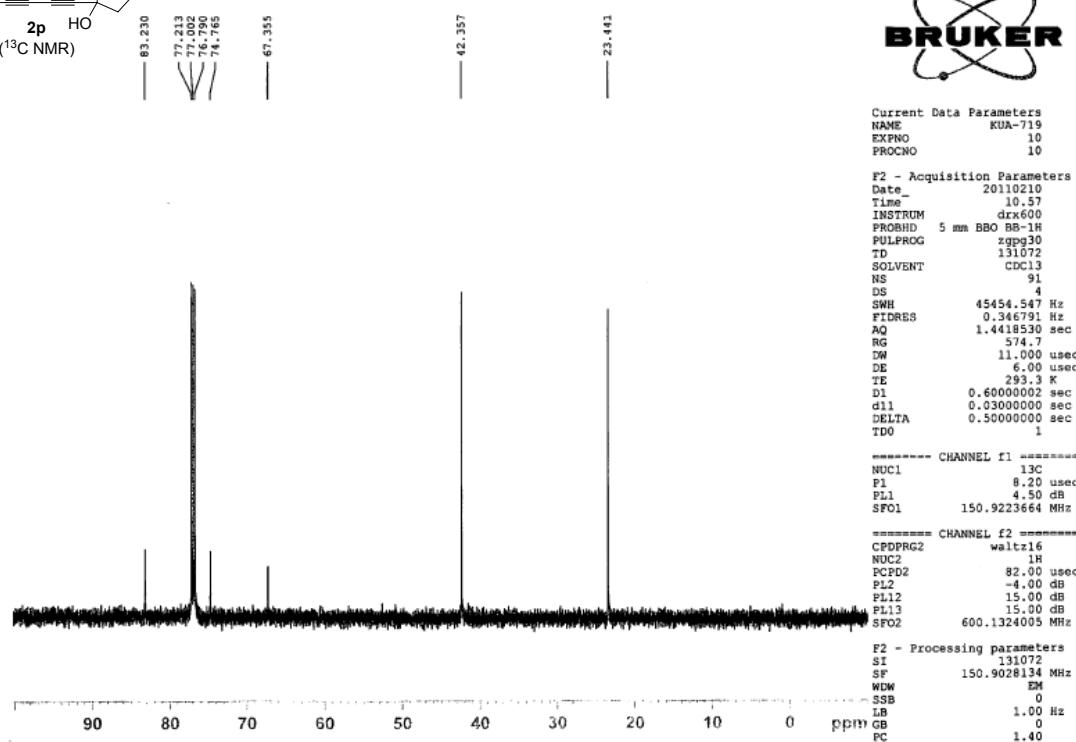








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