

Exploiting reagent evolution in samarium-mediated reaction cascades: application in a tag removal-cyclisation approach to spirooxindole scaffolds

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General Experimental

All experiments were performed under an atmosphere of nitrogen using anhydrous solvents, unless stated otherwise. Glassware for inert atmosphere reactions was oven-dried and cooled under a flow of nitrogen. THF was freshly distilled from sodium/benzophenone, CH_2Cl_2 and Et_3N were freshly distilled from CaH_2 . Petroleum ether refers to the fraction of petroleum ether boiling in the range 40-60 °C. All other solvents and reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used as supplied. Except where indicated otherwise, imines were prepared according to literature procedures.

^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz or 500 MHz spectrometer, with chemical shift values being reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to residual CHCl_3 ($\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.27$) and CDCl_3 ($\delta_{\text{C}} = 77.0$) as internal standards unless otherwise stated. All coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz (Hz). NMR assignments were made with the aid of COSY, HMQC, DEPT135 and DEPT90 experiments.

Low resolution and high resolution mass spectra were obtained using positive or negative electrospray ionisation (ESI). Infrared spectra were recorded using an FTIR spectrometer as evaporated films or neat using sodium chloride windows. Melting points are uncorrected. Optical rotations (Sodium D line) are reported as unitless numbers for which the concentration c is in g/100 mL.

Routine TLC analysis was carried out on aluminium sheets coated with silica gel 60 F254, 0.2 mm thickness. Plates were visualised by UV (254 nm) and/or by staining with aqueous potassium permanganate, ethanolic *p*-anisaldehyde or ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid. Column chromatography was carried out using 35–70 μ , 60A silica gel.

Fluorous solid-phase extraction (FSPE) was performed using fluorous silica gel packed in a glass column. Crude products were dry-loaded onto silica gel and transferred onto the fluorous column. Elution with 40% water in MeCN (3 column volumes) provided the non-fluorous components of the mixture, then elution with

MeCN (3 column volumes) provided the fluorous components of the mixture. Fluorous columns were re-used up to 30 times. **FSPE** can be used to purify or part-purify all reactions involving fluorous-tagged starting materials.

General procedure A: Preparation of acetoxyamides using acetoxyacetic acid

EDCI.HCl (1.5 eq), HOBt.H₂O (0.2 eq) and acetoxyacetic acid (1.0 eq) were added to a stirred solution of amine (1.0 eq, 20.8 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 12-48 h, then a 1N aqueous solution of HCl (20 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with a 1N aqueous solution of HCl (20 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure B: Preparation of acetoxyamides using acetoxyacetyl chloride

Acetoxyacetyl chloride (1.1 eq) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of amine (1.0 eq, 32.6 mmol) and Et₃N (1.1 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) at 0 °C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was allowed to warm to room temperature, then stirred at room temperature for 12 h. A saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (100 mL) was added and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 50 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure C: Preparation of hydroxyamides

K₂CO₃ (4.0 eq) was added to a stirred solution of acetoxyamide (1.0 eq, 17.1 mmol) in MeOH (30 mL) and water (15 mL) at room temperature. The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, then was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resulting mixture was adjusted to pH7 using a 1N aqueous solution of HCl, and CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL) was added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 30 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure D: Preparation of glyoxamides

A solution of DMSO (2.0 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of oxalyl chloride (1.1 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) at -78 °C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 15 min, then a solution of hydroxyamide (1.0 eq, 8.88 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added dropwise at -78 °C *via* cannula. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min, then Et₃N (5.0 eq) was added dropwise at -78 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred at room temperature for 3 h. A saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (30 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 30 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude glyoxamide, which was used directly in the next step without further purification.

General procedure E: Tag introduction–Cyclisation: Preparation of fluorously-tagged oxindoles

Fluorous thiol (C₈F₁₇CH₂CH₂SH, 0.7 eq) was added to a solution of crude glyoxamide (1.0 eq, 8.88 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 16 h, then trifluoroacetic anhydride (9.0 eq) was added. After stirring at room temperature for 1 h, BF₃·OEt₂ (5.0 eq) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The mixture was slowly and carefully quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (until gas evolution ceased). CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) was added and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 50 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. **FSPE was used for purification.**

General procedure F: Tag introduction–Cyclisation: Preparation of fluorously-tagged oxindoles for (alternative procedure employing glyoxamides containing electron-rich aromatic rings)

Fluorous thiol (C₈F₁₇CH₂CH₂SH, 1.0 eq) was added to a solution of crude glyoxamide (1.0 eq, 4.48 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, then trifluoroacetic anhydride (2.0 eq) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred at room

temperature for 16 h. The mixture was slowly and carefully quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (until gas evolution ceased). CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 40 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. **FSPE was used for purification.**

General procedure G: Preparation of alkylated fluoros-tagged oxindoles

cis-1,4-Dichlorobut-2-ene (1.5 eq) and K₂CO₃ (5.0 eq) were added to a stirred solution of fluoros-tagged oxindole (1.0 eq, 1.55 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting suspension was stirred for 5-12 h at room temperature, then water (30 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the organic layer was washed with water (2 × 30 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. **FSPE was used for purification.**

General procedure H: Preparation of samarium diiodide (SmI₂)

Samarium diiodide was prepared by a modification of the procedure of Imamoto and Ono.¹ Samarium powder (2.00 g, 13.8 mmol, 1.2 eq) was added to an oven-dried round-bottomed flask and the flask was sealed and flushed with nitrogen gas for 20 min. THF (110 ml) was added and the resulting suspension bubbled with nitrogen gas for 15 min. Finally, iodine (2.80 g, 10.8 mmol, 1 eq) was added and the flask flushed again with nitrogen gas for 10 min. The flask was covered in aluminium foil and heated at 60 °C for 18 hours. The approx 0.1 M solution was allowed to cool to room temperature and then used directly.

General procedure I: Preparation of spirooxindoles

In a sealable tube, a solution of alkylated fluoros-tagged oxindole (1.0 eq, 0.12 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was deoxygenated by bubbling through nitrogen gas for 30 min. Then, SmI₂ (2.0 eq. of a 0.1 M solution in THF) was added dropwise over 20 min (using a syringe pump) at room temperature under nitrogen. On completion of the addition, a solution of imine (2.0 eq.) in THF (1 mL) was added, and the tube was sealed. The resulting suspension was heated at 80 °C in an oil bath for 12-18 h, and then allowed to cool to room temperature. A saturated aqueous solution of Na₂S₂O₃

(10 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2×10 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO_3 (10 mL), dried (MgSO_4) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. **Generally, FSPE was used to remove fluorosulfide by-product and to part-purify spirooxindole products.** In some cases, further purification by recrystallisation or chromatography on silica gel was used to isolate single isomers for characterisation.

General procedure J: Preparation of spirooxindole aldehydes

OsO_4 (0.1 eq. of a 2.5% (w/v) solution in *tert*-butanol) and NMO (3.0 eq.) were added to a stirred suspension of spirooxindole (0.20 mmol) in acetone (12 mL) and water (1.5 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 60 h, then a saturated aqueous solution of $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (10 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2×15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO_4) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude diol product. The crude product was dissolved in THF (10 mL) and water (2 mL), then NaIO_4 (1.5 eq.) was added. The resulting suspension was heated at reflux for 2 h then allowed to cool to room temperature. Et_2O (20 mL) and water (10 mL) were added and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with Et_2O (2×10 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO_4) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure K: Preparation of spirooxindole methyl esters

Oxidant solution [1.6 mL; freshly prepared from NaClO_2 (300 mg) and $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (300 mg) in water (2 mL)] was added in one portion to a stirred solution of aldehyde (0.17 mmol) in *tert*-butanol (4 mL), MeCN (4 mL) and 2-methyl-2-butene (2 mL) at room temperature. The resulting solution was stirred for 2 h at room temperature, then water (10 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2×20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (20 mL), dried (MgSO_4) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude carboxylic acid product. The crude product was dissolved in anhydrous MeOH (8 mL) and trimethylsilyldiazomethane (1.5 mL of a 2.0M

solution in hexanes, 5.0 eq.) was added dropwise at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, then evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure L: Preparation of spirooxindole amines

Nitrogen gas was bubbled (15 min) through a solution of *N*-benzyl amine (0.08 mmol) in a 0.05M solution of HCl in MeOH (8 mL; 50 mL stock solution of 0.05 M HCl in MeOH freshly prepared by diluting 208 μ L 12M HCl with MeOH). Pd(OH)₂ (8 mg, 20% wt.) was added, and the resulting suspension was stirred under an atmosphere of H₂ (1 atm) for 5 min then filtered through a plug of Celite, washing with MeOH. Et₃N (5 drops) was added, and the resulting solution was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc (10 mL), water (5 mL) was added and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 \times 5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure M: Preparation of *N*-Troc prolanylspirooxindoles

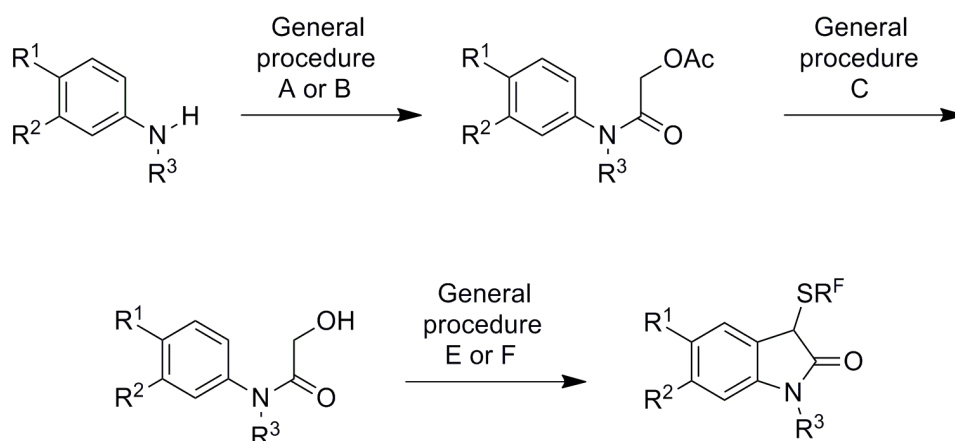
A solution of *N*-Troc (*S*)-prolinyl chloride² (1.0 or 3.0 eq.; freshly prepared from *N*-Troc (*S*)-proline)³ in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) was added dropwise at 0 °C to a stirred solution of amine (0.15 mmol) and Et₃N (0.9 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 12 h, then CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (10 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 \times 10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

General procedure N: Preparation of diketopiperazines

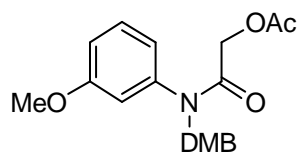
Zn dust (100 eq) was added to a stirred suspension of *N*-Troc amide (0.07 mmol) in THF (4 mL), MeOH (4 mL) and a saturated aqueous solution of NH₄Cl (4 mL) at room temperature. The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 24 h, filtered through Celite, and the filter cake was washed well with EtOAc. Water (10 mL) was added and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with

EtOAc (2×15 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO_4) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product.

Synthesis of fluorous-tagged oxindoles:



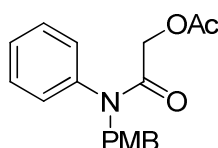
2-Acetoxy-N-(2,4-dimethoxybenzyl)-N-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide **S1**



NEt₃ (2.21 mL, 15.9 mmol, 1.1 eq) and acetoxyacetyl chloride (2.04 g, 15.9 mmol, 1.0 eq) were added sequentially to a solution of 2,4-dimethoxybenzyl-(3-methoxyphenyl)-amine⁷ (3.69 g, 13.6 mmol, 1.0 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (24.4 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h before water (20 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% EtOAc in hexane gave **S1** (5.32 g, 14.2 mmol, 100%) as a light yellow oil, ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.25-7.16 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-CH), 6.64 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.59 (s, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.33 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.86 (s, 2H; OCH₂), 4.40 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 3.78 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.73 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.56 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.15 (s, 3H; C(O)CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.6 (C=O), 166.3 (C=O), 160.4 (Ar-C), 160.3 (Ar-C), 158.6 (Ar-C), 141.5 (Ar-C), 131.3 (Ar-CH), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 120.5 (Ar-

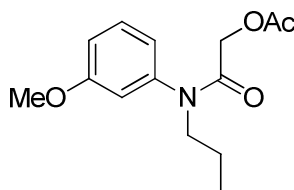
CH), 117.4 (Ar-C), 114.1 (Ar-CH), 113.8 (Ar-CH), 104.1 (Ar-CH), 98.3 (Ar-CH), 61.8 (NCH₂), 55.4 (OCH₃), 55.3 (OCH₃), 55.1 (OCH₃), 47.2 (CH₂O), 20.6 (C(O)CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2932, 2830, 1742 (C=O), 1671 (C=O), 1585, 1506, 1485, 1451, 1437, 1420, 1407, 1369, 1284, 1263, 1217, 1205, 1154, 1126, 1080, 1029, 932, 837, 783, 705; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 396 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₀H₂₃NO₆Na: 396.1418 [M + Na]⁺; found: 396.1401.

2-Acetoxy-N-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-phenylacetamide S2



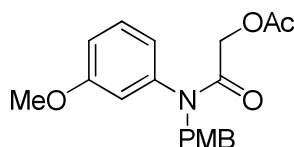
Using general procedure A, EDCI-HCl (5.97 g, 31.2 mmol), HOBt·H₂O (562 mg, 4.16 mmol), acetoxyacetic acid (2.45 g, 20.8 mmol) and (4-methoxybenzyl)phenylamine⁴ (4.43 g, 20.8 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 30% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **S2** (5.56 g, 17.7 mmol, 85%) as a white solid, m.p. (hexanes-Et₂O) 62–65 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37-7.33 (m, 3H; 3 × Ar-CH), 7.10 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 7.03-7.01 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.79 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 4.81 (s, 2H; CH₂N), 4.34 (s, 2H; CH₂O), 3.78 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.15 (s, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.6 (C=O), 166.4 (C=O), 159.0 (Ar-C), 140.0 (Ar-C), 130.3 (Ar-CH), 129.8 (Ar-CH), 128.8 (Ar-C), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 113.7 (Ar-CH), 61.8 (CH₂O), 55.2 (OCH₃), 52.6 (CH₂N), 20.6 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2997, 2947, 2936, 2835, 1748 (C=O), 1681 (C=O), 1613, 1594, 1513, 1494, 1435, 1406, 1371, 1298, 1245, 1225, 1175, 1085, 1022, 1015, 844, 820, 699 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 336 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO₄: 336.1206 [M + Na]⁺; found: 336.1216.

2-Acetoxy-N-(3-methoxyphenyl)-N-propylacetamide S3



Using general procedure B, acetoxyacetyl chloride (3.86 mL, 35.9 mmol), Et₃N (5.00 mL, 35.9 mmol) and *N*-propyl-3-methoxyaniline⁵ (5.39 g, 32.6 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 30% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **S3** (8.22 g, 31.0 mmol, 95%) as a colorless oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.81-6.78 (m, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.74 (t, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.35 (s, 2H; CH₂O), 3.81 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.63 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H; CH₂N), 2.21 (s, 3H; CH₃), 1.52 (sextet, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.5 (C=O), 166.1 (C=O), 160.6 (Ar-C), 141.5 (Ar-C), 130.6 (Ar-CH), 120.2 (Ar-CH), 113.96 (Ar-CH), 113.88 (Ar-CH), 61.6 (CH₂O), 55.4 (OCH₃), 50.9 (CH₂N), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 20.5 (CH₃), 11.1 (CH₂CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 2964, 2935, 2878, 1747 (C=O), 1680 (C=O), 1601, 1490, 1452, 1432, 1416, 1372, 1227, 1136, 1046, 847, 707 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 288 (50, [*M* + Na]⁺), 266 (100, [*M* + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₄H₁₉NO₄: 288.1206 [*M* + Na]⁺; found: 288.1214.

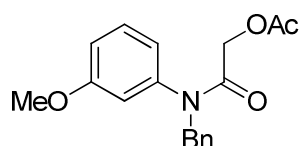
2-Acetoxy-*N*-(4-methoxybenzyl)-*N*-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide **S4**



Using general procedure A, EDCI.HCl (9.40 g, 49.2 mmol), HOBt.H₂O (0.60 g, 4.10 mmol), acetoxyacetic acid (4.80 g, 41.0 mmol) and *N*-(4-methoxybenzyl)-3-methoxyaniline⁶ (5.00 g, 20.5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (31 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **S3** (6.13 g, 17.9 mmol, 87%) as a white powder, m.p. (EtOAc/hexane) 87–89 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.54 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.80 (s, 2H; CH₂N), 4.39 (s, 2H; CH₂O), 3.79 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.73 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.16 (s, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6 (C=O), 166.3 (C=O), 160.4 (Ar-C), 159.0 (Ar-C), 141.1 (Ar-C), 130.5 (2 × Ar-CH), 130.3 (Ar-CH), 128.5 (Ar-C), 113.9 (Ar-CH), 113.7 (Ar-CH), 113.3 (2 × Ar-CH), 61.7 (CH₂O), 55.4

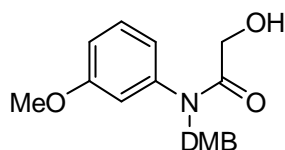
(OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 52.6 (CH₂N), 20.6 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 1754 (C=O), 1673 (C=O), 1588, 1513, 1492, 1407, 1244, 1198, 1172, 1025, 820, 703 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 366 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₁₉H₂₁NO₅: 366.1305 [M + Na⁺]; found: 366.1312.

2-Acetoxy-N-benzyl-N-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide S5



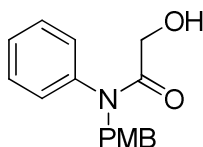
Using general procedure B, acetoxyacetyl chloride (0.79 mL, 7.30 mmol), Et₃N (1.02 mL, 7.30 mmol) and *N*-benzyl-3-methoxyaniline⁸ (1.42g, 6.64 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 30% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **S5** (1.71 g, 5.45 mmol, 82%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 69–72 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.31–7.20 (m, 6H; 6 × Ar-CH), 6.88 (ddd, J = 8.0, 2.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.64 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.55–6.54 (m, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.87 (s, 2H; CH₂N), 4.42 (s, 2H; CH₂O), 3.72 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.16 (s, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.6 (C=O), 166.5 (C=O), 160.5 (Ar-C), 141.7 (Ar-C), 136.8 (Ar-C), 130.5 (Ar-CH), 128.9 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 127.5 (Ar-CH), 120.4 (Ar-CH), 114.4 (Ar-CH), 113.8 (Ar-CH), 61.7 (CH₂O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 53.2 (CH₂N), 20.6 (CH₃); IR (film): ν 2966, 2940, 2928, 1743 (C=O), 1672 (C=O), 1426, 1412, 1285, 1241, 1219, 1159, 1076, 1044, 1006 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 336 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO₄: 336.1206 [M + Na⁺]; found: 336.1206.

2-Hydroxy-N-(2,4-dimethoxybenzyl)-N-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide S6



Using general procedure C, acetoxamide **S4** (5.32 g, 14.3 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (7.90 g, 57.2 mmol) in MeOH (44 mL) and water (22 mL) gave hydroxyamide **S6** (4.48 g, 13.5 mmol, 94%) as a colorless oil, 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.21 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.14 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.85 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.57 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.50 (t, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.41 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.35 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.90 (s, 2H; NCH_2), 3.82 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 2H; CH_2OH), 3.78 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.73 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.57 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.45 (t, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H; CH_2OH); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 171.6 (C=O), 160.5 (Ar-C), 160.2 (Ar-C), 158.6 (Ar-C), 140.6 (Ar-C), 131.3 (Ar-CH), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 120.5 (Ar-CH), 117.0 (Ar-C), 114.1 (Ar-CH), 113.9 (Ar-CH), 104.0 (Ar-CH), 98.3 (Ar-CH), 60.5 (CH_2OH), 55.3 ($2 \times OCH_3$), 55.1 (OCH_3), 47.6 (CH_2N); IR (film): ν_{max} 3429 (OH), 2993, 2937, 2835, 1650 (C=O), 1599, 1587, 1504, 1485, 1453, 1434, 1376, 1312, 1281, 1261, 1205, 1156, 1126, 1087, 1029, 990, 932, 922, 832, 781, 749, 700; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 354 (100, $[M + Na]^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{18}H_{21}NO_5Na$: 354.1312 $[M + Na]^+$; found: 354.1318.

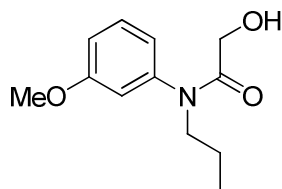
2-Hydroxy-*N*-(4-methoxybenzyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide **S7**



Using general procedure C, acetoxamide **S2** (5.37 g, 17.1 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (9.48 g, 68.6 mmol) in MeOH (30 mL) and water (15 mL) gave hydroxyamide **S7** (4.58 g, 16.9 mmol, 98%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 74–76 °C; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.37–7.33 (m, 3H; $3 \times$ Ar-CH), 7.11 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H; $2 \times$ Ar-CH), 6.96–6.92 (m, 2H; $2 \times$ Ar-CH), 6.81 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H; $2 \times$ Ar-CH), 4.86 (s, 2H; CH_2N), 3.79 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.77 (s, 2H; CH_2O); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 171.7 (C=O), 159.1 (Ar-C), 139.2 (Ar-C), 130.3 (Ar-CH), 129.8 (Ar-CH), 128.8 (Ar-CH), 128.7 (Ar-C), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 113.8 (Ar-CH), 60.5 (CH_2O), 55.2 (OCH_3), 53.0 (CH_2N); IR (film): ν_{max} 3434 (OH), 2930, 2835, 1659 (C=O), 1611, 1594, 1513, 1494, 1379, 1298, 1245, 1175, 1097, 1029, 1015, 999, 817, 699 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES+): m/z (%):

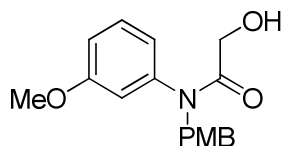
294 (100, $[M + Na]^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{16}H_{17}N_2O_3$: 294.1101 $[M + H]^+$;
found: 294.1091.

2-Hydroxy-*N*-(3-methoxyphenyl)-*N*-propylacetamide **S8**



Using general procedure C, acetoxamide **S3** (7.91 g, 29.8 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (16.5 g, 0.1 mol) in MeOH (60 mL) and water (30 mL) gave hydroxyamide **S8** (6.56 g, 29.4 mmol, 98%) as an off-white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 50–53 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.94 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.9$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.76-6.74 (m, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.69 (t, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 3.83 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.81 (s, 2H; CH₂O), 3.72-3.68 (m, 2H; CH₂N), 1.57 (sextet, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.6 (C=O), 160.6 (Ar-C), 140.6 (Ar-C), 130.6 (Ar-CH), 120.2 (Ar-CH), 113.99 (Ar-CH), 113.98 (Ar-CH), 60.4 (CH₂O), 55.4 (OCH₃), 51.2 (CH₂N), 20.9 (CH₂CH₃), 11.1 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 3436 (OH), 2965, 2930, 1659 (C=O), 1601, 1490, 1456, 1384, 1313, 1289, 1249, 1211, 1100, 1046, 706 cm⁻¹; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 246 (35, $[M + Na]^+$), 224 (100, $[M + H]^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{12}H_{17}NO_3$: 246.1101 $[M + Na]^+$; found: 246.1101.

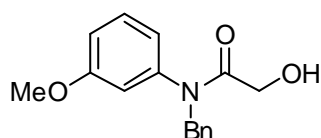
2-Hydroxy-*N*-(4-methoxybenzyl)-*N*-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide **S9**



Using general procedure C, acetoxamide **S4** (6.00 g, 17.4 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (9.60 g, 69.9 mmol) in MeOH (53 mL) and water (27 mL) gave hydroxyamide **S9** (5.38 g, 100%) as a colorless oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.92 (dd, $J = 8.1, 2.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.55 (dd, $J = 8.1, 0.8$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.48 (t, $J = 2.5$

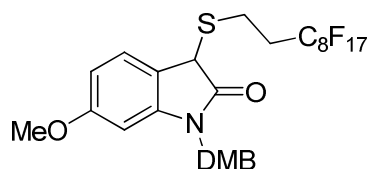
Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.86 (s, 2H; CH₂N), 3.85 (s, 2H; CH₂O), 3.81 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.75 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.45 (br s, 1H; OH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 166.3 (C=O), 160.4 (Ar-C), 159.1 (Ar-C), 140.3 (Ar-C), 130.4 (Ar-CH), 130.3 (Ar-CH), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 120.4 (Ar-C), 114.3 (Ar-CH), 113.9 (Ar-CH), 113.7 (Ar-CH), 60.4 (CH₂O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 52.8 (CH₂N); IR (film): ν_{max} 3427 (OH), 2926, 2863, 1715 (C=O), 1627, 1513, 1463, 1379, 1348, 1248, 1160, 1039, 921, 883 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 324 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₇H₁₉NO₄: 324.1204 [M + H⁺]; found: 324.1206.

N*-Benzyl-2-Hydroxy-*N*-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide **S10*



Using general procedure C, acetoxyamide **S5** (3.58 g, 11.4 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (6.31 g, 45.7 mol) in MeOH (40 mL) and water (20 mL) gave hydroxyamide **S10** (3.09 g, 11.4 mmol, 100%) as a colorless oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.24-7.12 (m, 6H; 6 × Ar-CH), 6.82 (ddd, *J* = 8.3, 2.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.48 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 2.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.38 (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.83 (s, 2H; CH₂N), 3.78 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 2H; CH₂O), 3.64 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.34 (t, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H; OH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.8 (C=O), 160.4 (Ar-C), 140.3 (Ar-C), 136.6 (Ar-C), 130.4 (Ar-CH), 128.9 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 127.7 (Ar-CH), 120.3 (Ar-CH), 114.4 (Ar-CH), 113.8 (Ar-CH), 60.4 (CH₂O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 53.4 (CH₂N); IR (film): ν_{max} 3440 (OH), 2936, 2837, 1653 (C=O), 1598, 1587, 1488, 1377, 1314, 1285, 1238, 1164, 1095, 1077, 1028, 993 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 294 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₆H₁₇NO₃: 294.1101 [M + Na⁺]; found: 294.1098.

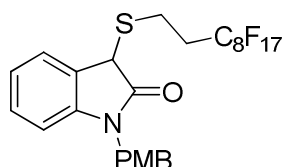
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Using general procedure D, DMSO (1.00 mL, 13.4 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.60 mL, 7.30 mmol), a solution of hydroxyamide **S6** (2.20 g, 6.70 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (22.3 mL) and Et_3N (3.39 mL, 33.5 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (22.3 mL) gave the crude glyoxamide product, which was used in the next step without further purification.

Using general procedure F, fluorous thiol ($\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SH}$, 2.00 mL, 6.70 mmol), TFAA (1.90 mL, 13.4 mmol) and the crude glyoxamide, in CH_2Cl_2 (44.5 mL) gave the crude product as a 6:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** gave **9** (4.40 g, 5.56 mmol, 82%) as yellow oil. Further purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 100% CH_2Cl_2 gave the major regioisomer as a white powder, m.p. (CH_2Cl_2) 93-95 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , major regioisomer): δ 7.24 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.55 (dd, $J = 8.1, 2.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.52 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.46 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.41 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.91 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{N}$), 4.79 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{N}$), 4.34 (s, 1H; CHS), 3.88 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.76 (s, 6H; $2 \times \text{OCH}_3$), 3.04-2.96 (m, 1H; $\text{SCH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}$), 2.77-2.86 (m, 1H; $\text{SCH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}$), 2.49-2.33 (m, 2H; SCH_2CH_2); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , major regioisomer): δ 175.8 (C=O), 161.0 (ArC), 160.5 (ArC), 157.9 (ArC), 144.8 (ArC), 129.7 (ArCH), 125.5 (ArCH), 116.5 (ArC), 116.0 (ArC), 107.0 (ArCH), 104.4 (ArCH), 98.5 (ArCH), 97.4 (ArCH), 55.4 ($2 \times \text{OCH}_3$), 55.3 (OCH_3), 44.6 (CHS), 38.1 (NCH_2), 31.9 (t, $J = 22.2$ Hz; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$); 20.9 (t, $J = 3.7$ Hz; SCH_2); IR (film): ν_{max} 2932, 2830, 1742, 1715 (C=O), 1613, 1587, 1508, 1462, 1372, 1237, 1203, 1145, 1129, 1110, 1030, 832, 749, 705, 665, 651; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 814 (100, $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{F}_{17}\text{SNa}$: 814.0890 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$; found: 814.0926.

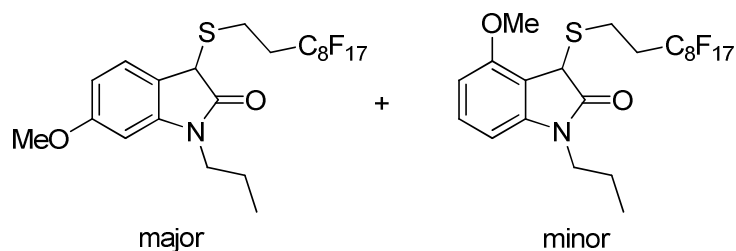
3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10-Heptadecafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one S11



Using general procedure D, DMSO (1.3 mL, 17.8 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.9 mL, 9.76 mmol), a solution of hydroxyamide **S7** (2.41 g, 8.88 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and Et₃N (6.2 mL, 44.38 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) gave the crude glyoxamide product, which was used in the next step without further purification.

Using general procedure E, fluorosulfonic thiol (C₈F₁₇CH₂CH₂SH, 1.8 mL, 6.21 mmol), the crude glyoxamide, trifluoroacetic anhydride (11.1 mL, 79.9 mmol) and BF₃·OEt₂ (5.6 mL, 44.4 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by FSPE gave **S11** (2.81 g, 3.84 mmol, 62%) as a yellow oil, ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.91 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H; NCH_ACH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.82 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H; NCH_ACH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.40 (s, 1H; CHS), 3.77 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.04-2.98 (m, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.85-2.79 (m, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.46-2.35 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 175.0 (C=O), 159.2 (Ar-C), 143.1 (Ar-C), 129.3 (Ar-CH), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 127.4 (Ar-C), 125.14 (Ar-CH), 125.06 (Ar-C), 123.0 (Ar-CH), 114.2 (Ar-CH), 109.4 (Ar-CH), 55.2 (OCH₃), 44.8 (CHS), 43.5 (NCH₂C₆H₄OMe), 31.8 (t, *J* = 22.0 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 21.0 (t, *J* = 4.6 Hz, CH₂S); IR (film): ν_{max} 2952, 2930, 2908, 2835, 1712 (C=O), 1614, 1513, 1485, 1466, 1435, 1357, 1345, 1242, 1214, 1150, 1113, 1088, 1029, 954, 898, 755 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 754 (25, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₆H₁₈F₁₇NO₂S: 754.0680 [M + Na]⁺; found: 754.0672.

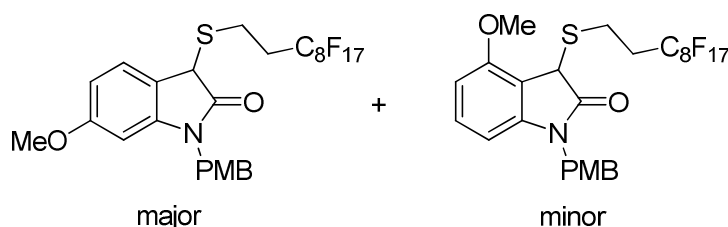
3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-Heptadecafluorodecylsulfanyl)-6-methoxy-1-propyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one S12



Using general procedure D, DMSO (636 μL , 8.96 mmol), oxalyl chloride (430 μL , 4.93 mmol), a solution of hydroxyamide **S8** (1.00 g, 4.48 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL) and Et_3N (3.12 mL, 22.4 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) gave the crude glyoxamide product, which was used in the next step without further purification. Using general procedure F, fluorous thiol ($\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SH}$, 1.28 mL, 4.48 mmol), TFAA (1.25 mL, 8.96 mmol) and the crude glyoxamide, in CH_2Cl_2 (40 mL) gave the crude product (as a 5:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy)). Purification by **FSPE** gave **S12** (2.50 g, 3.66 mmol, 82%) as a 5:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy) as a brown oil. Further purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH_2Cl_2 gave the major regioisomer as a white solid, m.p. (Et_2O) 59–60 $^\circ\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.27 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.59 (dd, $J = 8.2, 2.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.43 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.29 (s, 1H; CHS), 3.84 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.69 (dt, $J = 13.9, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{N}$), 3.62 (dt, $J = 13.9, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{N}$), 3.00–2.92 (m, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{S}$), 2.84–2.76 (m, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{S}$), 2.47–2.33 (m, 2H; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 1.71 (sextet, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.98 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 175.6 (C=O), 161.0 (Ar-C), 144.8 (Ar-C), 125.9 (Ar-CH), 116.8 (Ar-C), 106.4 (Ar-CH), 96.9 (Ar-CH), 55.6 (OCH_3), 44.5 (CHS), 41.9 (CH_2N), 31.9 (t, $J = 21.1$ Hz; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 20.8 (t, $J = 4.6$ Hz, CH_2S), 20.7 (CH_2CH_3), 11.3 (CH_3); IR (film): ν_{max} 2972, 2941, 1715 (C=O), 1626, 1600, 1504, 1463, 1367, 1243, 1207, 1150, 1104 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 706 (100, $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_{17}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$: 706.0679 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$; found: 706.0678 and the minor regioisomer as a white solid, m.p. (Et_2O) 65–67 $^\circ\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.32–7.27 (m, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.64 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.52 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.36 (s, 1H; CHS), 3.90 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.71 (dt, $J = 14.1, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{N}$), 3.61 (dt, $J = 14.1, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{N}$), 3.02 (ddd, $J = 13.4, 10.1, 6.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{S}$), 2.88 (ddd, $J = 13.4, 10.6, 6.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{S}$), 2.48–2.34 (m, 2H; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 1.71 (sextet, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.97 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz,

CDCl₃): δ 174.9 (C=O), 156.2 (Ar-C), 144.8 (Ar-C), 130.8 (Ar-CH), 111.2 (Ar-C), 105.9 (Ar-CH), 102.0 (Ar-CH), 55.6 (OCH₃), 43.3 (CHS), 42.0 (CH₂N), 31.9 (t, J = 22.0 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 20.9 (t, J = 3.3 Hz, CH₂S), 20.9 (CH₂CH₃), 11.3 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2970, 2941, 1713 (C=O), 1608, 1600, 1472, 1354, 1334, 1261, 1243, 1207, 1150, 1111, 1096, 1062, 769, 664 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 706 (100, [M + Na]⁺), 151 (20); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₂H₁₈F₁₇NO₂S: 706.0679 [M + Na]⁺; found: 706.0668.

6-Methoxy-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-*p*-methoxybenzyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one S13⁹

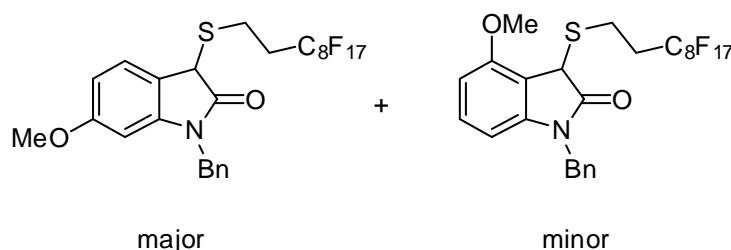


Using general procedure D, DMSO (1.41 mL, 19.9 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.96 mL, 11.0 mmol), a solution of hydroxyamide **S9** (3.00 g, 9.96 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (9.5 mL) and Et₃N (6.93 mL, 49.8 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (77.9 mL) gave the crude glyoxamide product, which was used in the next step without further purification.

Using general procedure F, fluorosulfonamide (C₈F₁₇CH₂CH₂SH, 2.62 mL, 9.96 mmol), TFAA (2.81 mL, 19.9 mmol) and the crude glyoxamide, in CH₂Cl₂ (77.9 mL) gave the crude product as a 5:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** gave **S13** (6.08 g, 7.98 mmol, 89%) as yellow oil. Further recrystallisation gave the major regioisomer as a white powder, m.p. (MeOH) 100-103 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, major regioisomer): δ 7.19-7.16 (m, 3H; 3 × Ar-CH), 6.76 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H; Ar-CH), 6.48 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.28 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.80 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.69 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.27 (s, 1H; CHS), 3.69 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.67 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.96-2.89 (m, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.77-2.70 (m, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.38-2.29 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, major regioisomer): δ 175.7 (C=O), 160.9 (Ar-C), 159.2 (Ar-C), 144.4 (Ar-C), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 127.4 (Ar-C), 125.8 (Ar-CH), 116.7 (Ar-C), 114.2 (Ar-CH), 106.7 (Ar-CH), 97.6 (Ar-CH), 55.4 (OCH₃), 55.2

(OCH₃), 44.5 (CHS), 43.5 (CH₂N), 31.8 (t, $J = 22.2$ Hz, CH₂C₈F₁₇), 20.9 (t, $J = 4.6$ Hz; CH₂S); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2926, 2850, 1715 (C=O), 1622, 1500, 1243, 1201, 1145, 1112, 1031, 648 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 784 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₇H₂₀NO₃SF₁₇: 784.0769 [M + Na]⁺; found: 784.0785.

6-Methoxy-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-benzyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one **S14**

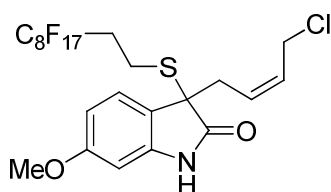


Using general procedure D, DMSO (514 μ L, 7.25 mmol), oxalyl chloride (348 μ L, 3.99 mmol), a solution of hydroxyamide **S10** (983 mg, 3.62 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and Et₃N (2.50 mL, 18.1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) gave the crude glyoxamide product, which was used in the next step without further purification.

Using general procedure F, C₈F₁₇CH₂CH₂SH (1.00 mL, 3.62 mmol), TFAA (1.01 mL, 7.25 mmol) and the crude glyoxamide, in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) gave the crude product as a 5:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** gave oxindole **S14** (2.07 g, 2.83 mmol, 78%) as a 5:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a brown oil. Further purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂ gave the major regioisomer as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 80–82 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35–7.26 (m, 6H; 6 \times Ar-CH), 6.57 (dd, $J = 8.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.33 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.94 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 4.85 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 4.38 (s, 1H; CHS), 3.75 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.04 (ddd, $J = 13.1, 9.6, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.85 (ddd, $J = 13.1, 9.8, 6.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.50–2.37 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 175.8 (C=O), 161.0 (Ar-C), 144.4 (Ar-C), 135.4 (Ar-C), 128.9 (Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 127.3 (Ar-CH), 125.9 (Ar-CH), 116.7 (Ar-C), 106.8 (Ar-CH), 97.5 (Ar-CH), 55.4 (OCH₃), 44.5 (NCH₂Ph), 44.0 (CHS), 31.9 (t, $J = 21.7$ Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇),

1H; CHS), 3.81 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.01-2.93 (m, 1H; SCH_AH_B), 2.85-2.77 (m, 1H; SCH_AH_B), 2.49-2.34 (m, 2H; SCH₂CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 178.0 (C=O), 161.0 (Ar-C), 142.3 (Ar-C), 126.1 (Ar-CH), 117.1 (Ar-C), 108.1 (Ar-CH), 97.3 (Ar-CH), 55.5 (OCH₃), 45.3 (CHS), 31.8 (t, *J* = 22.2 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 20.8 (SCH₂); IR (film): ν_{max} 3206 (NH), 2920, 1706 (C=O), 1623, 1506, 1457, 1335, 1235, 1198, 1145, 1113, 1030, 955, 827, 703, 649; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 664 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₉H₁₂NO₂F₁₇SNa: 664.0209 [M + Na]⁺; found: 664.0220.

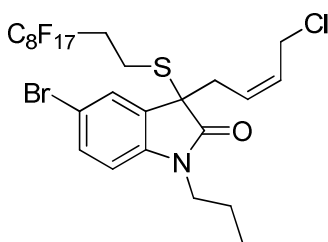
3-(4-Chlorobut-2-enyl)-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-6-methoxy-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one 10



cis-1,4-Dichlorobut-2-ene (825 μL of a 1.0 M solution in DMF, 0.83 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (434 mg, 3.14 mmol) were added sequentially to a stirred solution of **S15** (504 mg, 0.79 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting suspension was stirred for 45 min at room temperature, then water (30 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the organic layer was washed with water (2 × 30 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** gave alkylated oxindole **10** (418 mg, 0.57 mmol, 73%) as a yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.44 (s, 1H; NH), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.63 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.55 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.72-5.60 (m, 1H; =CHCH₂Cl), 5.39-5.32 (m, 1H; =CHCH₂C), 4.03 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H; CH₂Cl), 3.80 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.95 (ddd, *J* = 14.2, 8.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BC), 2.78 (ddd, *J* = 14.2, 6.9, 0.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BC), 2.65 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H; SCH₂), 2.32-2.07 (m, 2H; SCH₂CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 179.7 (C=O), 161.1 (Ar-C), 141.6 (Ar-C), 129.7 (ClCH₂CH=), 126.2 (CCH₂CH=), 125.1 (Ar-CH), 120.0 (Ar-C), 108.6 (Ar-CH), 97.4 (Ar-CH), 55.5 (OCH₃), 54.6 (C-C=O), 38.9 (CH₂Cl), 33.3 (CH₂C), 31.4 (t, *J* = 22.2 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 19.9 (t, *J* = 2.8

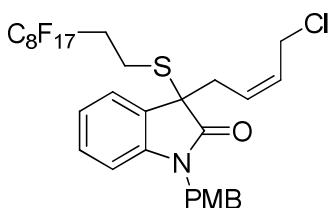
Hz; SCH₂); IR (film): ν_{\max} 3220 (NH), 1710 (C=O), 1606 (C=C), 1501, 1462, 1319, 1235, 1200, 1145, 1105, 779, 732, 705, 651; MS (ES⁻): m/z (%): 728 (100, [M - H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁻): m/z : calcd for C₂₃H₁₆NO₂F₁₇Cl: 728.0329 [M - H]⁺; found: 728.0324.

5-Bromo-3-(4-chlorobut-2-enyl)-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-propyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one 11



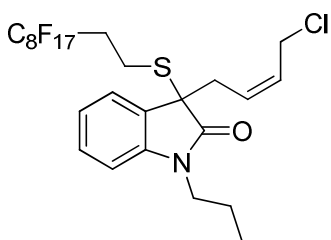
Using general procedure G, 5-bromo-3-((3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecyl)thio)-1-propylindolin-2-one⁹ (1.26 g, 1.72 mmol), *cis*-1,4-dichlorobut-2-ene (0.22 mL, 2.06 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (1.19 g, 8.61 mmol) in DMF (23.3 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by FSPE gave alkylated oxindole **11** (0.90 g, 1.10 mmol, 87%) as a pale brown oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.48-7.44 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.76 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.69-5.62 (m, 1H; =CH), 5.29-5.22 (m, 1H; =CH), 4.07 (ddd, J = 11.8, 8.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BCl), 3.97 (ddd, J = 11.8, 7.3, 0.8 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BCl), 3.72-3.59 (m, 2H; NCH₂CH₂), 2.97 (ddd, J = 14.1, 8.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_AH_BC), 2.79-2.59 (m, 3H; =CHCH_AH_BC and CH₂S), 2.28-2.15 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 1.67 (sextet, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.95 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 175.3 (C=O), 141.6 (Ar-C), 132.4 (Ar-CH), 130.5 (Ar-C), 130.1 (=CH), 127.4 (Ar-CH), 125.7 (=CH), 115.7 (Ar-C), 110.2 (Ar-CH), 53.6 (C-C=O), 42.0 (NCH₂CH₂), 38.8 (CH₂Cl), 33.3 (=CHCH₂C), 31.5 (t, J = 22.0 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 19.7 (t, J = 4.6 Hz; CH₂S), 11.3 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2971, 2922, 1731 (C=O), 1482, 1197, 1138 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 844 (100, [⁸¹BrM + Na]⁺), 842 (80, [⁷⁹BrM + Na]⁺); HRMS (EI⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₁H₁₅N₂O₃BrF₁₇S: 841.9769 [M + Na]⁺; found: 841.9764.

3-(4-Chlorobut-2-enyl)-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one 12



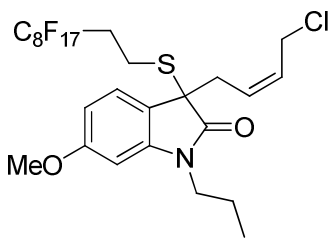
Using general procedure G, oxindole **S11** (1.13 g, 1.55 mmol), *cis*-1,4-dichlorobut-2-ene (0.23 mL, 1.86 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (1.07 g, 7.75 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** gave alkylated oxindole **12** (976 mg, 1.19 mmol, 77%) as a yellow oil, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.35 (dd, $J = 7.6, 0.8$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.26-7.21 (m, 3H; $3 \times$ Ar-CH), 7.10 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.85-6.79 (m, 3H; $3 \times$ Ar-CH), 5.66-5.58 (m, 1H; =CH), 5.31-5.23 (m, 1H; =CH), 4.91 (d, $J = 15.4$ Hz, 1H; $NCH_ACH_B C_6H_4OMe$), 4.78 (d, $J = 15.4$ Hz, 1H; $NCH_ACH_B C_6H_4OMe$), 4.07 (ddd, $J = 12.1, 8.3, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; =CH CH_ACH_BCl), 3.98 (dd, $J = 12.1, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; =CH CH_ACH_BCl), 3.77 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.03 (ddd, $J = 14.1, 8.8, 1.2$ Hz, 1H; =CH $CH_AH_B C$), 2.83 (ddd, $J = 14.1, 6.8, 1.2$ Hz, 1H; =CH $CH_AH_B C$), 2.71-2.62 (m, 2H; CH_2S), 2.23-2.09 (m, 2H; $CH_2C_8F_{17}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 176.0 (C=O), 159.2 (Ar-C), 142.3 (Ar-C), 129.8 (=CH), 129.5 (Ar-CH), 128.8 (Ar-CH), 128.2 (Ar-C), 127.4 (Ar-C), 126.3 (=CH), 124.1 (Ar-CH), 123.2 (Ar-CH), 114.1 (Ar-CH), 109.5 (Ar-CH), 55.1 (OCH_3), 53.8 (C-C=O), 43.5 ($NCH_2C_6H_4OCH_3$), 38.9 (=CH CH_2Cl), 33.4 (=CH CH_2C), 31.4 (t, $J = 22.0$ Hz; $CH_2C_8F_{17}$), 19.7 (t, $J = 3.7$ Hz, CH_2S); IR (film): ν_{max} 3030, 2946, 2924, 1712 (C=O), 1617, 1516, 1485, 1466, 1441, 1348, 1295, 1244, 1206, 1175, 1144, 1035, 953, 747, 646 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 844 (30, [$^{37}ClM + Na$] $^+$), 842 (100, [$^{35}ClM + Na$] $^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{26}H_{23}NO_2ClF_{17}S$: 842.0759 [$M + Na$] $^+$; found: 794.0748.

3-(4-Chlorobut-2-enyl)-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-propyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one 13



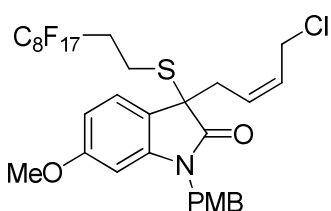
Using general procedure G, 3-((3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecyl)thio)-1-propylindolin-2-one⁹ (4.80 g, 7.70 mmol), *cis*-1,4-dichlorobut-2-ene (1.21 mL, 11.5 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (1.43 g, 38.4 mmol) in DMF (80 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** gave alkylated oxindole **13** (3.78 g, 5.20 mmol, 68%) as a yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37-7.30 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 7.12 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.87 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.65-5.59 (m, 1H; =CH), 5.23-5.31 (m, 1H; =CH), 4.05 (ddd, *J* = 11.8, 8.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BCl), 3.97 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 7.3 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BCl), 3.62-3.74 (m, 2H; CH₂N), 2.97 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 8.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BC), 2.80 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 7.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BC), 2.71-2.65 (m, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.64-2.58 (m, 1H; CH_AH_BS), 2.22-2.11 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 1.68 (sextet, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 175.6 (C=O), 142.7 (Ar-C), 129.7 (=CH), 129.5 (Ar-CH), 128.3 (Ar-C), 126.3 (=CH), 124.2 (Ar-CH), 123.0 (Ar-CH), 108.8 (Ar-CH), 53.8 (C-C=O), 41.9 (NCH₂), 38.9 (=CHCH₂Cl), 33.4 (=CHCH₂C), 31.6 (t, *J* = 22.0 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 20.8 (CH₂CH₃), 19.8 (t, *J* = 3.7 Hz; CH₂-S), 11.3 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 3060, 2971, 2939, 2878, 1712 (C=O), 1612, 1487, 1468, 1444, 1360, 1249, 1114, 1025, 953, 872, 751 cm⁻¹; MS (EI⁺): *m/z* (%): 764 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (EI⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₅H₂₁NOCIF₁₇S: 764.0655 [M + Na⁺]; found: 764.0659.

3-(4-Chlorobut-2-enyl)-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-6-methoxy-1-propyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one 14



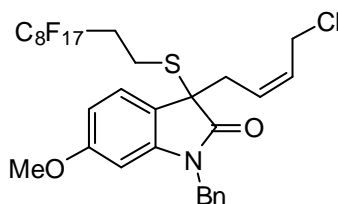
Using general procedure G, oxindole **S12** (606 mg, 0.89 mmol), *cis*-1,4-dichlorobut-2-ene (112 μ L, 1.06 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (490 mg, 3.55 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** gave alkylated oxindole **14** (600 mg, 0.78 mmol, 88%) as a yellow oil, 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.24 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.61 (dd, $J = 8.2, 2.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.43 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H, Ar-CH), 5.65-5.60 (m, 1H; $CH=CH_2Cl$), 5.31-5.25 (m, 1H; $CH=CH_2C$), 4.06 (dd, $J = 12.0, 8.5$ Hz, 1H; CH_ACH_BCl), 3.97 (dd, $J = 12.0, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_ACH_BCl), 3.67 (dt, $J = 14.2, 7.2$ Hz, 1H; $NCH_ACH_BCH_2$), 3.62 (dt, $J = 14.2, 7.2$ Hz, 1H; $NCH_ACH_BCH_2$), 2.94 (ddd, $J = 14.0, 8.5, 0.6$ Hz, 1H; $=CHCH_AH_B C$), 2.77 (dd, $J = 14.0, 7.0$, 1H; $=CHCH_AH_B C$), 2.69 (dt, $J = 13.4, 7.8$ Hz, 1H; $CH_AH_B S$), 2.62 (dt, $J = 13.4, 7.8$, 1H; $CH_AH_B S$), 2.24-2.13 (m, 2H; $CH_2C_8F_{17}$), 1.68 (sextet, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.96 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 176.5 (C=O), 161.1 (Ar-C), 143.9 (Ar-C), 129.5 ($CH=CH_2Cl$), 126.5 ($CH=CH_2C$), 125.0 (Ar-CH), 119.9 (Ar-C), 106.6 (Ar-CH), 96.8 (Ar-CH), 55.5 (OCH₃), 53.5 (C-C=O), 41.8 (CH_2N), 39.0 (CH_2Cl), 33.4 ($=CHCH_2C$), 31.6 (t, $J = 21.7$ Hz; $CH_2C_8F_{17}$), 20.8 (CH_2CH_3), 19.7 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz; CH_2S), 11.3 (CH_3); IR (film): ν_{max} 2966, 2941, 1716 (C=O), 1624, 1602, 1504, 1463, 1370, 1241, 1209, 1148, 1109, 1034 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 794 (100, $[M + Na]^+$), 533 (20), 151 (20); HRMS (EI⁺): m/z : calcd for $C_{26}H_{23}NO_2ClF_{17}S$: 794.0759 $[M + Na]^+$; found: 794.0775.

6-Methoxy-3-(4-chlorobut-2-enyl)-3-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecylsulfanyl)-1-*p*-methoxybenzyl-1,3-dihydroindol-2-one 15



Using general procedure G, oxindole **S13** (0.29 g, 0.40 mmol), *cis*-1,4-dichlorobut-2-ene (0.60 mL, 0.60 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (0.26 g, 1.90 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** gave alkylated oxindole **15** (0.24 g, 0.29 mmol, 77%) as a yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.17-7.11 (m, 3H; 3 × Ar-CH), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-CH), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.37 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.66-5.59 (m, 1H; =CH), 5.24-5.30 (m, 1H; =CH), 4.88 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.74 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.07 (ddd, *J* = 11.8, 8.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BCl), 3.97 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 7.3 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BCl), 3.77 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.76 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.00 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 8.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BC), 2.79 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 6.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H; =CHCH_ACH_BC), 2.73-2.62 (m, 2H; CH₂S), 2.25-2.11 (m, 2H, CH₂C₈F₁₇); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.6 (C=O), 160.9 (Ar-C), 159.2 (Ar-C), 143.6 (Ar-C), 130.9 (Ar-CH), 129.3 (=CH), 128.8 (Ar-CH), 127.4 (Ar-C), 126.5 (=CH), 124.9 (Ar-CH), 119.7 (Ar-C), 114.2 (2 × Ar-CH), 106.9 (Ar-CH), 97.5 (Ar-CH), 55.4 (OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 53.5 (C-C=O), 43.7 (NCH₂), 39.0 (=CHCH₂Cl), 33.5 (=CHCH₂C), 31.5 (t, *J*=22.2 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 19.7 (t, *J*=2.9 Hz; CH₂S); IR (film): ν=3006, 2942, 2841, 2364, 1714 (C=O), 1622, 1515, 1470, 1374, 1239, 1152, 1036 cm⁻¹; MS (EI⁺): *m/z* (%): 872 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (EI⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₃₁H₂₅NO₃ClF₁₇S: 872.0870 [M + Na]⁺; found: 872.0870.

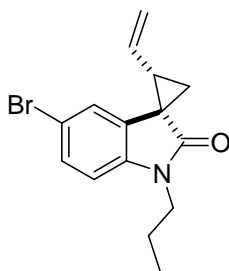
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Using general procedure G, oxindole **S14** (1.36 g, 1.86 mmol), *cis*-1,4-dichlorobut-2-ene (0.23 mL, 2.23 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (1.03 mg, 7.94 mmol) in DMF (16 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** gave alkylated oxindole **16** (1.23g, 2.78 mmol, 80%) as a yellow oil, ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.33-7.24 (m, 6H; 6 ×

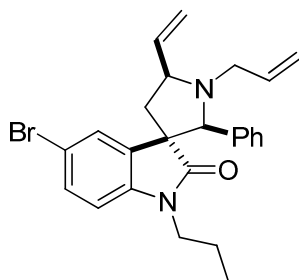
Ar-CH), 6.59 (dd, $J = 8.2, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.34 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H, Ar-CH), 5.66-5.61 (m, 1H; CH=CH₂Cl), 5.33-5.27 (m, 1H; CH=CH₂C), 4.95 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 4.81 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 4.07 (dd, $J = 12.0, 8.9$ Hz, 1H; CH_ACH_BCl), 3.97 (dd, $J = 12.0, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_ACH_BCl), 3.75 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.02 (dd, $J = 14.0, 8.8$ Hz, 1H; NCH_ACH_BC-C=O), 2.82 (dd, $J = 14.0, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; NCH_ACH_BC-C=O), 2.76-2.65 (m, 2H; CH₂S), 2.25-2.15 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.7 (C=O), 161.0 (Ar-C), 143.6 (Ar-C), 135.3 (Ar-C), 129.7 (CH=CH₂Cl), 128.8 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-CH), 127.3 (Ar-CH), 126.5 (CH=CH₂C), 124.9 (Ar-CH), 119.7 (Ar-C), 107.0 (Ar-CH), 97.5 (Ar-CH), 55.4 (OCH₃), 53.5 (C-C=O), 44.0 (NCH₂Ph), 39.0 (CH₂Cl), 33.4 (=CHCH₂C), 31.5 (t, $J = 27.5$ Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 19.7 (t, $J = 4.6$ Hz; CH₂S); IR (film): ν 2958, 2945, 1713 (C=O), 1624, 1501, 1456, 1375, 1236, 1200, 1145, 1114, 1081, 1033 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 844 (30, [³⁷ClM + Na]⁺), 842 (100, [³⁵ClM + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₆H₂₃NO₂ClF₁₇S: 842.0759 [$M + Na$]⁺; found: 794.0748.

rac*-(1*S*,2*S*)-5'-bromo-1'-propyl-2-vinylspiro[cyclopropane-1,3'-indolin]-2'-one **17*



A solution of oxindole **11** (452 mg, 0.55 mmol) in THF (17 mL) was deoxygenated by bubbling through nitrogen gas for 45 min. Then, SmI₂ (11.0 mL of a 0.1M solution in THF, 1.10 mmol) was added dropwise over 1 h (using a syringe pump) at rt under nitrogen. On completion of the addition, a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 10 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave vinylcyclopropane **17** (90 mg, 0.29 mmol, 53%) as a pale yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.95 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.76 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.21 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 10.3, 9.4 Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.27 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 1.5, 0.5 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.14 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 3.73-3.69 (m, 2H; NCH₂), 2.53-2.46 (m, 1H; CH₂CHN), 2.00 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 4.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.94 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.75-1.65 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.1 (C=O), 141.8 (Ar-C), 133.6 (CH=CH₂), 132.8 (Ar-C), 129.4 (Ar-CH), 121.4 (Ar-CH), 117.2 (=CH₂), 114.4 (Ar-C), 109.5 (Ar-CH), 42.0 (NCH₂), 37.7 (CH-CH=CH₂), 33.6 (C-C=O), 25.0 (CH₂CH), 21.0 (CH₂CH₃), 11.4 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 3417, 2080, 2965, 2359, 1716 (C=O), 1607, 1485, 1367, 1204, 1141 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 308 (100, [⁸¹BrM + H]⁺), 306 (100, [⁷⁹BrM + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₅H₁₆NO⁷⁹Br: 306.0488 [M + H]⁺; found: 306.0501.

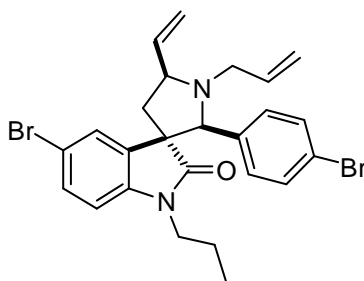
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Using general procedure I, oxindole **14** (101 mg, 0.12 mmol) and SmI_2 (2.5 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.25 mmol) in THF (4 mL), and a solution of imine (36 mg, 0.25 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 3:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% Et_2O in petroleum ether gave **19a** (30 mg, 0.07 mmol, 54%, major diastereoisomer) as an off-white solid, m.p. (Et_2O) 104–107 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.46 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.15 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.10-6.95 (m, 5H; $5 \times$ Ar-CH), 6.38 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.96 (ddd, $J = 17.1, 10.1, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.88 (ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.4, 6.9$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.33 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 1.6, 0.8$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.26 (dd, $J = 10.1, 1.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.13-5.10 (m, 1H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 4.96 (ddt, $J = 17.1, 2.0, 1.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 4.26 (s, 1H; CHPh), 3.79-3.73 (m, 1H; CH_2CHN), 3.66 (ddd, $J = 14.1, 8.3, 6.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}_2$), 3.42-3.32 (m, 2H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}_2$ and $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 3.22 (dd, $J = 14.9, 6.9$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 2.67 (dd, $J = 13.4, 9.1$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$), 1.88 (dd, $J = 13.4, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$), 1.56-1.45 (m, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.82 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 178.2 (C=O), 141.3 (Ar-C), 140.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 136.1 (Ar-C), 134.7 (Ar-C), 132.2 ($\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 128.8 (Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 127.47 (Ar-CH), 127.42 (Ar-CH), 118.9 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 117.1 ($\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 114.2 (Ar-C), 108.9 (Ar-CH), 74.8 (CHPh), 63.8 (CH_2CHN), 57.9 (C-C=O), 51.2 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 41.7 (NCH_2CH_2), 40.9 (CH_2CHN), 20.7 (CH_2CH_3), 11.4 (CH_3); IR (film): ν_{max} 2966, 2932, 1710 (C=O), 1606, 1480, 1456, 1426, 1349, 1336, 1142, 1114, 923, 806, 747, 703 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 475 (90, [$^{81}\text{BrM} + \text{Na}$]⁺), 473 (100, [$^{79}\text{BrM} + \text{Na}$]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2\text{O}^{81}\text{Br}$: 453.1365 [$M + \text{H}^+$]; found: 453.1372; and **19b** (13 mg, 0.03 mmol, 23%, minor diastereoisomer) as a yellow oil, which crystallized from aqueous

ethanol as an off-white solid, m.p. 132–134 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.48 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.34 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.19–7.00 (m, 5H; $5 \times$ Ar-CH), 6.49 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.08 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 9.9, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.84 (ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.31 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 1.8, 0.5$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.22 (dd, $J = 10.1, 1.8$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.12 (br dd, $J = 10.1, 1.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 4.93 (ddt, $J = 17.2, 2.0, 1.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 4.01 (s, 1H; CHPh), 3.63 (q, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_2CHN), 3.45 (ddd, $J = 14.5, 8.6, 6.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}_2$), 3.36 (br dd, $J = 14.7, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 3.14 (dd, $J = 14.7, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 2.95 (ddd, $J = 14.5, 8.3, 6.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}_2$), 2.32 (dd, $J = 13.2, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$), 2.24 (dd, $J = 13.2, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$), 1.11–0.82 (m, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.52 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 177.1 (C=O), 142.5 (Ar-C), 140.2 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 135.7 (Ar-C), 135.3 (Ar-C), 131.6 ($\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 130.7 (Ar-CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 127.7 (Ar-CH), 126.0 (Ar-CH), 119.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 117.1 ($\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 114.4 (Ar-C), 109.1 (Ar-CH), 77.4 (CHPh), 65.5 (CH_2CHN), 57.4 (C-C=O), 50.6 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 41.3 (NCH_2CH_2), 40.6 (CH_2CHN), 20.3 (CH_2CH_3), 11.1 (CH_3); IR (film): ν_{max} 2967, 2932, 1716 (C=O), 1605, 1486, 1455, 1423, 1348, 1208, 1189, 1137, 1114, 1098, 996, 923, 806, 748, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES $^+$): m/z (%): 475 (100, [$^{81}\text{BrM} + \text{Na}$] $^+$), 473 (85, [$^{79}\text{BrM} + \text{Na}$] $^+$); HRMS (ES $^+$): m/z : calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2\text{O}^{81}\text{Br}$: 473.1199 [$M + \text{Na}$] $^+$; found: 473.1206.

***rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Allyl-5-bromo-2'-(4-bromophenyl)-1-propyl-5'-vinyl-1*H*-spiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one 20**

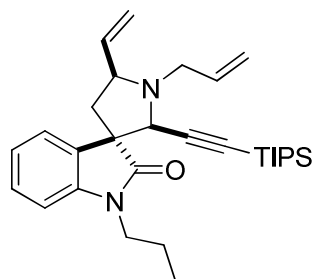


Using general procedure I, oxindole **11** (67 mg, 0.08 mmol) and SmI_2 (1.6 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.16 mmol) in THF (2 mL), and a solution of imine (37 mg,

0.16 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 3:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **20** (30 mg, 0.06 mmol, 69%) as a 3:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy), as a yellow oil. Further purification by flash chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% Et₂O in petroleum ether gave the minor diastereoisomer as a pale yellow oil, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.35 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.31-7.24 (m, 4H; 4 \times Ar-CH), 6.52 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.05 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH₂), 5.82 (ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CH=CH₂), 5.31 (dd, $J = 17.2, 1.8$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH_AH_B), 5.23 (dd, $J = 10.1, 1.8$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH_AH_B), 5.13 (dd, $J = 10.1, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CH=CH_AH_B), 4.92 (br dd, $J = 17.2, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH_AH_B), 3.96 (s, 1H; CHAr), 3.63 (q, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CHN), 3.48 (ddd, $J = 13.8, 8.3, 6.3$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_B), 3.34 (dd, $J = 14.9, 6.6$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCH=CH₂), 3.10 (dd, $J = 14.9, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCH=CH₂), 3.00 (ddd, $J = 13.8, 8.1, 6.6$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_B), 2.31 (dd, $J = 13.2, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.25 (dd, $J = 13.2, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.16-1.00 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.56 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H; CH₃); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 177.0 (C=O), 142.5 (Ar-C), 140.0 (CH=CH₂), 135.0 (2 \times Ar-C), 131.4 (CHCH=CH₂), 130.94 (Ar-CH), 130.89 (Ar-CH), 129.81 (Ar-CH), 126.1 (Ar-CH), 121.8 (Ar-C), 119.4 (CH₂CH=CH₂), 117.4 (CHCH=CH₂), 114.6 (Ar-C), 109.3 (Ar-CH), 76.7 (CHAr), 65.6 (CH₂CHN), 57.4 (C-C=O), 50.7 (CH₂CH=CH₂), 41.4 (CH₂N), 40.7 (CH₂CHN), 20.5 (CH₂CH₃), 11.1 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 2964, 2930, 1715 (C=O), 1606, 1483, 1348, 1206, 1189, 1110, 1069, 1007, 923, 806 and 736 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 555 (50, [$^{81}\text{Br}^{81}\text{Br}M + \text{Na}$]⁺), 553 (100, [$^{81}\text{Br}^{79}\text{Br}M + \text{Na}$]⁺), 551 (50, [$^{79}\text{Br}^{79}\text{Br}M + \text{Na}$]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd (%) for C₂₅H₂₆N₂O⁷⁹Br₂: 551.0304 [$M + \text{Na}$]⁺; found: 551.0298; and the major diastereoisomer as an off-white solid, m.p. 110–112 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.21-7.18 (m, 3H; 3 \times Ar-CH), 6.93 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H; 2 \times Ar-CH), 6.42 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.95 (ddd, $J = 17.1, 10.1, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH₂), 5.84 (ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CH=CH₂), 5.32 (br d, $J = 17.1$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH_AH_B), 5.25 (dd, $J = 10.1, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH_AH_B), 5.12 (dd, $J = 10.1, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CH=CH_AH_B), 4.94 (dd, $J = 17.2, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CH=CH_AH_B), 4.21 (s, 1H; CHAr), 3.78-3.72 (m, 1H; CH₂CHN), 3.65 (ddd, $J = 14.1, 8.1, 6.6$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_B),

3.42-3.34 (m, 2H; NCH_AH_B and $CH_AH_BCH=CH_2$), 3.16 (dd, $J = 14.9, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; $CH_AH_BCH=CH_2$), 2.68 (dd, $J = 13.4, 9.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.88 (dd, $J = 13.4, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.57-1.45 (m, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.83 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 177.9$ (C=O), 141.3 (Ar-C), 139.8 ($CHCH=CH_2$), 135.2 (Ar-C), 134.4 (Ar-C), 131.8 ($CH_2CH=CH_2$), 130.6 (Ar-CH), 130.4 (Ar-CH), 129.7 (Ar-CH), 128.6 (Ar-CH), 121.3 (Ar-C), 119.2 ($CH_2CH=CH_2$), 117.3 ($CHCH=CH_2$), 114.3 (Ar-C), 109.1 (Ar-CH), 74.1 (CHAr), 63.7 (CH_2CHN), 57.8 (C-C=O), 51.1 ($CH_2CH=CH_2$), 41.7 (CH_2N), 40.8 (CH_2CHN), 20.7 (CH_2CH_3), 11.3 (CH_3); IR (film): ν_{max} 2964, 2930, 1712 (C=O), 1606, 1483, 1427, 1348, 1141, 1069, 1010, 923 and 805 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 555 (50, [$^{81}Br^{81}BrM + Na$] $^+$), 553 (100, [$^{81}Br^{79}BrM + Na$] $^+$), 551 (50, [$^{79}Br^{79}BrM + Na$] $^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{25}H_{26}N_2O^{79}Br_2$: 529.0490 [$M + H$] $^+$; found: 529.0490.

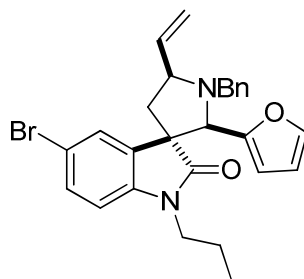
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Using general procedure I, oxindole **13** (0.23 g, 0.32 mmol) and SmI_2 (6.5 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.65 mmol) in THF (2 mL), and a solution of imine (0.16 g, 0.65 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 11:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by 1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% Et_2O in petroleum ether gave **21** (0.11 g, 0.23 mmol 75%) as a 11:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by 1H NMR spectroscopy) as a yellow oil, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.53 (dd, $J = 7.6, 1.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.20 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.02 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.78 (br d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.04-5.93 (m, 1H; $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.80 (ddd, $J = 17.1, 10.2, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.29-5.15 (m, 4H; $CHCH=CH_2$ and $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 3.87 (s, 1H; CH -

C≡CSi), 3.77-3.68 (m, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂),), 3.64-3.53 (m, 2H; CH_AH_BCH=CH₂ and NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.51-3.43 (m, 2H; CH_AH_BCH=CH₂ and CH₂CHN), 2.51 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 8.7 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.84 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.72-1.64 (m, 2 H; CH₂CH₃), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₂CH₃), 0.87-0.75 (m, 21 H; Si(CH(CH₃)₂)₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 178.3 (C=O), 142.5 (Ar-C), 139.5 (CHCH=CH₂), 134.0 (Ar-C), 131.6 (CH₂CH-CH₂), 127.6 (Ar-CH), 125.1 (Ar-CH), 122.4 (Ar-CH), 119.6 (CH₂CH=CH₂), 117.5 (CHCH=CH₂), 107.9 (Ar-CH), 102.9 (CHC≡CSi), 87.3 (CHC≡CSi), 63.6 (CH₂CHN), 62.6 (CH-C≡CSi), 55.4 (C-C=O), 50.8 (CH₂CH=CH₂), 41.9 (CH₂CHN), 41.7 (NCH₂CH₂), 20.8 (CH₂CH₃), 11.5 (CH₂CH₃), 11.1 (3 × CH(CH₃)₂), 10.9 (3 × CH(CH₃)₂); IR (film): ν_{max} 2944, 2866, 2167 (C≡C), 1643 (C=O), 1463, 1383, 1337, 1266, 1242, 1203, 1148, 1099, 996, 920, 883 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 477 (100, [M + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₃₀H₄₄N₂OSi: 477.3281 [M + H]⁺; found: 477.3296.

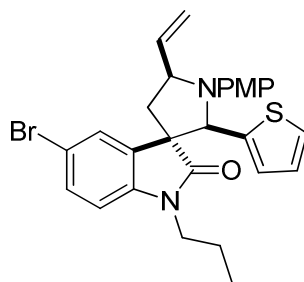
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Using general procedure I, oxindole **11** (102 mg, 0.12 mmol) and SmI₂ (2.5 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.25 mmol) in THF (4 mL), and a solution of imine (46 mg, 0.25 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 7:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **22** (38 mg, 0.08 mmol, 65%) as a 7:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow oil. Further purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 3% acetone in pentane gave the minor diastereoisomer as a pale yellow oil, and the major diastereoisomer as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 115–117 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.51 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.27-7.19 (m, 5H; 5 × Ar-CH), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.09 (br

d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H; furyl-CH), 6.53 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.08 (dd, $J = 3.3, 1.8$ Hz, 1H; furyl-CH), 5.96 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz, 1H; furyl-CH), 5.89 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 8.2$ Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.31 (dd, $J = 17.1, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.17 (dd, $J = 10.1, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 4.21 (s, 1H; CHfuryl), 3.92 (d, $J = 14.2$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.82 (d, $J = 14.2$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.69 (dt, $J = 14.1, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.63 (q, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CHN), 3.45 (dt, $J = 14.1, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 2.49 (dd, $J = 13.4, 8.2$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.92 (dd, $J = 13.4, 8.2$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.58 (sextet, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H; CH₂CH₃), 0.85 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 178.1 (C=O), 151.0 (furyl-C), 141.6 (furyl-CH), 141.5 (Ar-C), 139.8 (CH=CH₂), 136.1 (Ar-C), 134.6 (Ar-C), 130.3 (Ar-CH), 129.8 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-CH), 126.9 (Ar-CH), 117.3 (CH=CH₂), 114.5 (Ar-C), 109.9 (Ar-CH), 109.0 (furyl-CH), 108.8 (furyl-CH), 69.0 (CHfuryl), 64.5 (CH₂CHN), 56.4 (C-C=O), 53.8 (NCH₂Ph), 41.6 (NCH₂CH₂), 41.5 (CH₂CHN), 20.5 (CH₂CH₃), 11.1 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2964, 2930, 1712 (C=O), 1606, 1480, 1427, 1351, 1141, 1110, 920, 806, 733 and 702 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 515 (85, [⁸¹BrM + Na]⁺), 513 (100, [⁷⁹BrM + Na]⁺), 465 (25), 463 (25); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₇H₂₇N₂O₂⁷⁹Br: 491.1329 [$M + H^+$]; found: 491.1344.

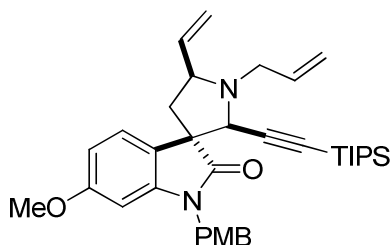
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Using general procedure I, oxindole **11** (99 mg, 0.12 mmol) and SmI₂ (2.4 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.25 mmol) in THF (4 mL), and a solution of imine (52 mg, 0.25 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 4:1:0.8 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **23** (47 mg, 0.09 mmol, 74%) as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow oil. Further purification by recrystallisation from

ethanol gave the major diastereoisomer as a white solid, m.p. (EtOH) 115–117 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.31 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.23 (dd, $J = 5.0, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; thienyl-CH), 6.95 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.5$ Hz, 1H; thienyl-CH), 6.81 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2H; $2 \times$ Ar-CH), 6.75 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2H; $2 \times$ Ar-CH), 6.65 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.58 (br d, $J = 3.5$ Hz, 1H; thienyl-CH), 6.22 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.09 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 7.5$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.47 (d, $J = 17.2$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.30 (d, $J = 10.1, 1.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 4.91 (s, 1H; CH thienyl), 4.80 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H; CH_2CHN), 3.72 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.65–3.60 (m, 2H; NCH_2CH_2), 2.44 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H; CH_2CHN), 1.68 (sextet, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H; CH_2CH_3), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 178.4 (C=O), 153.0 (thienyl-C), 146.9 (Ar-C), 141.9 (Ar-C), 141.8 (Ar-C), 140.0 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 130.9 (Ar-CH), 129.9 (Ar-C), 128.6 (Ar-CH), 127.0 (thienyl-CH), 124.8 (thienyl-CH), 124.7 (thienyl-CH), 116.8 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 116.6 (Ar-CH), 114.4 (Ar-C), 114.2 (Ar-CH), 109.2 (Ar-CH), 69.4 (CH thienyl), 61.8 (CH_2CHN), 57.3 (OCH_3), 55.6 (C-C=O), 41.5 (NCH_2CH_2), 41.3 (CH_2CHN), 20.6 (CH_2CH_3), 11.3 (CH_3); IR (film): ν_{max} 2964, 2924, 2874, 1712 (C=O), 1603, 1510, 1480, 1424, 1351, 1337, 1239, 1178, 1110, 1038, 993, 811, 730, 697 cm^{-1} ; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 547 (70, [$^{81}\text{BrM} + \text{Na}$] $^+$), 545 (70, [$^{79}\text{BrM} + \text{Na}$] $^+$), 525 (90), 523 (90), 521 (70), 519 (50), 144 (35), 130 (100); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ^{79}BrS : 523.1049 [$M + \text{H}^+$]; found: 523.1036.

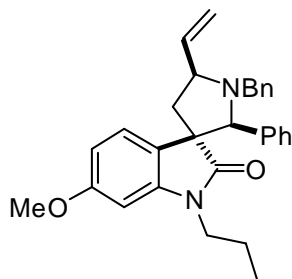
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((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-5'-vinylspiro[indoline-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one 24**



Using general procedure I, oxindole **15** (0.10 g, 0.11 mmol) and SmI_2 (2.3 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.23 mmol) in THF (2 mL), and a solution of imine (0.06 g, 0.23 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 8:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel

eluting with 10% Et₂O in petroleum ether gave **24** (40 mg, 0.07 mmol, 63%) as a 8:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-CH), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-CH), 6.50 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.29 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.05-5.93 (m, 1H; CH₂=CH-CH₂), 5.80 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.1, 8.3 Hz, 1H; CHCH=CH₂), 5.30-5.16 (m, 4H; 2H CHCH=CH₂ and CH₂CH=CH₂), 4.83 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.77 (1 H, d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 3.90 (s, 1H; CHC≡CSi), 3.77 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.72 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.57 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.3 Hz, 1H; CH₂CHN), 3.53-3.44 (m, 2H; NCH₂CH=CH₂), 2.55 (dd, *J* = 13.1, 8.3 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.85 (1 H, dd, *J* = 13.1, 8.1 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 0.84-0.80 (m, 21 H, Si(CH(CH₃)₂)₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 179.2 (C=O), 159.8 (Ar-C), 158.9 (Ar-C), 143.4 (Ar-C), 139.4 (CHCH=CH₂), 131.6 (CH₂CH=CH₂), 128.6 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-C), 126.0 (Ar-C), 125.5 (Ar-CH), 119.6 (CH₂CH=CH₂), 117.5 (CHCH=CH₂), 114.1 (Ar-CH), 106.2 (Ar-CH), 103.0 (CHC≡CSi), 96.9 (Ar-CH), 87.4 (CHC≡CSi), 63.6 (CH₂CHN), 62.6 (CHC≡CSi), 55.4 (C-C=O), 55.2 (OCH₃), 55.0 (OCH₃), 50.9 (NCH₂CH=CH₂), 43.4 (NCH₂CH₂), 42.2 (CH₂CHN), 18.3 (3 × CH(CH₃)₂), 10.9 (3 × CH(CH₃)₂); IR (film): ν_{max} 2941, 2863, 2172 (C≡C), 1716 (C=O), 1626, 1514, 1463, 1379, 1248, 1158, 1037, 995, 922 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 585 (100, [M + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₃₆H₄₈N₂O₃Si: 585.3489 [M + H]⁺; found: 585.3507.

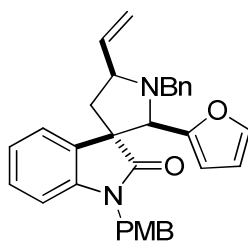
rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Benzyl-6-methoxy-2'-phenyl-1-propyl-5'-vinyl-1*H*-spiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one **25*



Using general procedure I, oxindole **14** (105 mg, 0.14 mmol) and SmI₂ (2.7 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.3 mmol) in THF (4 mL), and a solution of imine (53 mg, 0.27 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** eluting with

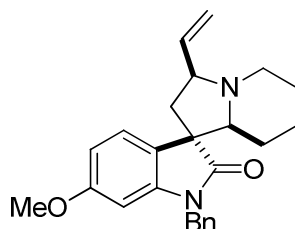
MeOH (100 mL) gave the non-fluorous crude product, then eluting with THF (100 mL) gave fluorous disulfide⁹ (45 mg, 0.05 mmol, 69%) as a white solid. Further purification of the non-fluorous crude product by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% EtOAc in hexane gave **25** (43 mg, 0.10 mmol, 70%) as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow oil. Recrystallisation from Et₂O-hexane (1:1) gave the major diastereoisomer as a white solid, m.p. (1:1 Et₂O-hexane) 117–120 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.27-7.19 (m, 3H; 3 × Ar-CH), 7.13-7.04 (m, 7H; 7 × Ar-CH), 6.45 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.09 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.94 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 10.1, 8.3 Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.25 (br d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 4.11 (s, 1H; CHPh), 3.94 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.74 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.70 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.66-3.60 (m, 2H; NCH_AH_BCH₂ and CH₂CHN), 3.31 (ddd, *J* = 14.6, 8.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 2.61 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 9.6 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.85 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.56-1.42 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.80 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 179.1 (C=O), 159.4 (Ar-C), 143.5 (Ar-C), 140.6 (CH=CH₂), 136.5 (Ar-C), 136.1 (Ar-C), 130.1 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 127.4 (Ar-CH), 127.1 (Ar-CH), 126.9 (Ar-CH), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 124.9 (Ar-C), 116.2 (CH=CH₂), 105.1 (Ar-CH), 95.6 (Ar-CH), 75.3 (CHPh), 64.2 (CH₂CHN), 57.3 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 53.3 (NCH₂Ph), 41.6 (NCH₂CH₂), 41.2 (CH₂CHN), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.4 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 2966, 2930, 1711 (C=O), 1624, 1597, 1501, 1455, 1379, 1210, 1106 cm⁻¹; MS (ES+): *m/z* (%): 475 (100, [M + Na]⁺), 453 (70, [M + H]⁺); HRMS (ES+): *m/z*: calcd (%) for C₃₀H₃₂N₂O₂: 453.2537 [M + H]⁺; found: 453.2547.

rac*-(2'*R*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Benzyl-2'-furan-2-yl-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-5'-vinyl-1*H*-spiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one **26*



Using general procedure I, oxindole **12** (138 mg, 0.17 mmol) and SmI₂ (3.4 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.34 mmol) in THF (4 mL), and a solution of imine (62 mg, 0.25 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 5:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% Et₂O in petroleum ether gave **26** (56 mg, 0.11 mmol, 68%) as a 5:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow oil. Further purification by slow crystallisation from ethanol gave the major diastereoisomer as a white solid, m.p. (EtOH) 138–140 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.28–7.25 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 7.22–7.20 (m, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.17–7.15 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 7.07–7.01 (m, 4H; 3 × Ar-CH and furyl-CH), 6.96 (td, *J* = 7.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.52 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.04 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H; furyl-CH), 5.91 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.1, 8.2 Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.90 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H; furyl-CH), 5.30 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.14 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.01 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.58 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BC₆H₄OCH₃), 4.32 (s, 1H; CHfuryl), 3.94 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.82 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.77 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.68–3.63 (m, 1H; CH₂CHN), 2.59 (dd, *J* = 13.3, 8.9 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.99 (dd, *J* = 13.3, 7.6 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 178.7 (C=O), 158.8 (Ar-C), 151.3 (Ar-C), 142.1 (Ar-C), 141.4 (furyl-CH), 140.1 (CH=CH₂), 136.5 (Ar-C), 132.6 (Ar-C), 129.8 (Ar-CH), 128.2 (Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 127.7 (Ar-C), 127.6 (Ar-CH), 126.8 (Ar-CH), 125.2 (Ar-CH), 122.1 (Ar-CH), 117.0 (CH=CH₂), 113.9 (Ar-CH), 109.9 (furyl-CH), 108.8 (furyl-CH), 108.5 (Ar-CH), 69.3 (CHfuryl), 64.8 (CH₂CHN), 56.3 (C-C=O), 55.2 (OCH₃), 54.1 (NCH₂Ph), 43.1 (NCH₂C₆H₄OMe), 41.8 (CH₂CHN); IR (film): ν_{max} 2924, 2835, 1712 (C=O), 1611, 1513, 1485, 1466, 1359, 1245, 1178, 1155, 1029, 1010, 920, 814, 736, 694 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 513 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₃₂H₃₀N₂O₃: 513.2149 [M + Na]⁺; found: 513.2164.

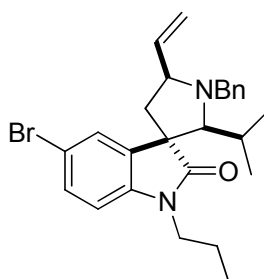
rac*-(1'S,3'S,8a'S)-1-Benzyl-6-methoxy-3'-vinyl-3',5',6',7',8',8a'-hexahydro-2'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-indolizin]-2-one **27*



Using general procedure I, oxindole **16** (134 mg, 0.16 mmol) and SmI_2 (3.3 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.33 mmol) in THF (3 mL), and a solution of imine (41 mg, 0.33 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) gave the crude product as a 5:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** eluting with MeOH (100 mL) gave the non-fluorous crude product, then eluting with THF (100 mL) gave fluorous disulfide (52 mg, 0.05 mmol, 66%) as a white solid. Further purification of the non-fluorous crude product by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **27** (37 mg, 0.10 mmol, 58%) as a 5:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow oil. Further purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave the major diastereoisomer as a pale yellow oil, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.35-7.23 (m, 6H; $6 \times \text{Ar-CH}$), 6.53 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.29 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.81 (ddd, $J = 17.1, 9.9, 8.2$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.25 (dd, $J = 17.1, 1.8$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.17 (dd, $J = 9.9, 1.8$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.03 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{Ph}$), 4.75 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{Ph}$), 3.73 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.20-3.14 (m, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}_2$), 3.04 (q, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 2.63-2.57 (m, 2H; $\text{NCHCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{C}$ and $\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$), 1.92 (td, $J = 12.1, 2.5$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CH}_2$), 1.76 (dd, $J = 13.4, 7.8$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCHCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{C}$), 1.66-1.57 (m, 2H; $2 \times \text{CH}$), 1.46-1.35 (m, 1H; CH), 1.26-1.10 (m, 2H; $2 \times \text{CH}$), 0.97-0.87 (m, 1H; CH); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 180.2 (C=O), 159.5 (Ar-C), 143.4 (Ar-C), 139.7 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 136.0 (Ar-C), 128.8 (Ar-CH), 127.6 (Ar-CH), 127.2 (Ar-CH), 125.7 (Ar-C), 125.4 (Ar-CH), 117.1 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 105.9 (Ar-CH), 96.9 (Ar-CH), 72.2 ($\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$), 68.6 ($\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 55.4 (C-C=O and OCH_3), 51.9 (NCH_2CH_2), 43.9 (NCH_2Ph), 42.4 ($\text{CH}_2\text{C-C=O}$), 26.6 (CH_2), 25.0 (CH_2), 23.7 (CH_2); IR (film): ν_{max} 2937, 2852, 2790, 1707 (C=O), 1624, 1598, 1499, 1455, 1378, 1341, 1263, 1210, 1164, 1147, 1119, 1036, 922, 825, 732; MS (ES⁺): m/z

(%): 411 (60, $[M + Na]^+$), 389 (100, $[M + H]^+$); HRMS (ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{25}H_{28}N_2O_2$: 389.2224 $[M + H]^+$; found: 389.2224.

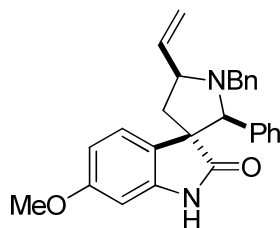
rac*-(2'*S*,3*S*,5'*S*)-1'-Benzyl-5-bromo-2'-isopropyl-1-propyl-5'-vinylspiro[indoline-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one **28*



Using general procedure I, oxindole **11** (109 mg, 0.13 mmol) and SmI_2 (2.7 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.27 mmol) in THF (2 mL), and a solution of imine (43 mg, 0.27 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) gave the crude product as a 3:1:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by 1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** eluting with MeOH (100 mL) gave the non-fluorous crude product, then eluting with THF (100 mL) gave fluorous disulfide (38 mg, 0.04 mmol, 60%) as a white solid. Further purification of the non-fluorous crude product by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% Et₂O in petroleum ether gave **28** (37 mg, 0.08 mmol, 60%, 3:1:1 mixture of diastereoisomers) as a yellow solid. Recrystallisation from Et₂O gave the major diastereoisomer, m.p. 128-130 °C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.72 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.38-7.30 (m, 5H; 5 \times Ar-CH), 7.28-7.21 (m, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.71 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.76 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 7.8$ Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.06 (br dd, $J = 17.2, 1.5$ Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 4.93 (br dd, $J = 10.1, 1.5$ Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 3.94 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.82 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.71 (dt, $J = 14.1, 6.8$ Hz, 1H, NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.57 (dt, $J = 14.1, 7.1$ Hz, 1H, NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.54-3.48 (m, 1H; CH₂CHN), 3.14 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H; NCHCH(CH₃)₂), 2.44 (dd, $J = 13.1, 9.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.05-1.96 (m, 1H; CH(CH₃)₂), 1.75-1.63 (m, 3H; CH_AH_BCHN and CH₂CH₃), 0.96 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH₂CH₃), 0.77 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H; CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 0.48 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H; CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 179.4 (C=O), 141.6 (Ar-C), 140.9 (CH=CH₂), 139.1 (Ar-C), 135.9 (Ar-C), 130.2 (Ar-CH), 129.9 (Ar-CH), 129.2 (Ar-

CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 126.7 (Ar-CH), 115.8 (CH=CH₂), 114.4 (Ar-C), 109.4 (Ar-CH), 76.4 (NCHCH(CH₃)₂), 66.6 (CH₂CHN), 56.4 (CH₂Ph), 55.5 (C-C=O), 43.9 (CH₂CHN), 41.8 (NCH₂CH₂CH₃), 29.1 (CHCH(CH₃)₂), 20.5 (CH₂CH₃), 19.5 (CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 18.8 (CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 11.4 (CH₂CH₃); IR (film): ν_{\max} 2965, 2929, 1698 (C=O), 1601, 1606, 1478, 1424, 1346, 1217, 1199, 1176, 1107, 917, 826, 704 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 491 (80, [⁸¹BrM + Na]⁺), 489 (100, [⁷⁹BrM + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₂₆H₃₁N₂O⁷⁹Br: 489.1512 [M + Na⁺]; found: 489.1510.

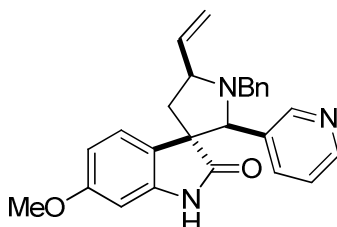
rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'Benzy-6-methoxy-2'-phenyl-5'-vinyl-1*H*-spiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one **29*



Using general procedure I, oxindole **10** (252 mg, 0.35 mmol) and SmI₂ (6.9 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.69 mmol) in THF (6 mL), and a solution of imine (135 mg, 0.69 mmol) in THF (1 mL) gave the crude product as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 30% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave **29** (109 mg, 0.27 mmol, 76%) as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow oil. Recrystallisation from EtOAc-hexane (1:1) gave the major diastereoisomer as an off-white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 137-140 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.31 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H; Ar-CH), 7.19-7.12 (m, 3H; 3 \times Ar-CH), 7.10-7.05 (m, 5H; 4 \times Ar-CH and NH), 6.46 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.13 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.93 (ddd, J = 17.3, 10.2, 8.2 Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.26 (dd, J = 17.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.11 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 4.10 (s, 1H; CHPh), 3.94 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.705 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.702 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.66-3.59 (m, 1H; CHCH=CH₂), 2.61 (dd, J = 13.4, 9.3 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.89 (dd, J = 13.4, 7.1 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 181.4 (C=O), 159.4 (Ar-C), 140.6 (Ar-C), 140.5 (CH=CH₂), 136.6 (Ar-C), 136.0 (Ar-C), 130.1 (2 \times

Ar-CH), 128.4 (2 × Ar-CH), 127.8 (2 × Ar-CH), 127.5 (2 × Ar-CH), 127.2 (Ar-CH), 126.9 (Ar-CH), 126.6 (Ar-CH), 125.0 (Ar-C), 116.4 (CH=CH₂), 106.7 (Ar-CH), 96.1 (Ar-CH), 75.2 (CHPh), 64.2 (CHCH=CH₂), 57.8 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 53.3 (NCH₂Ph), 41.5 (CH₂CHN); IR (film): ν_{\max} 3220 (NH), 2923, 2835, 1705 (C=O), 1627, 1596, 1501, 1453, 1335, 1305, 1277, 1191, 1152, 1119, 1108, 1024, 920, 823, 749, 698; MS (ES⁻): m/z (%): 409 (100, [M - H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁻): m/z : calcd for C₂₇H₂₅N₂O₂: 409.1921 [M - H]⁺; found: 409.1916.

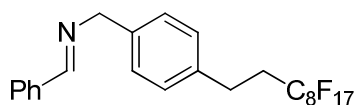
rac*-(2'S,3S,5'S)-1'-Benzyl-6-methoxy-2'-(pyridin-3-yl)-5'-vinylspiro[indoline-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one **30*



Using general procedure I, oxindole **10** (87 mg, 0.12 mmol) and SmI₂ (2.4 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.24 mmol) in THF (2 mL), and a solution of imine (47 mg, 0.24 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) gave the crude product as a 5:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** eluting with MeOH (100 mL) gave the non-fluorous crude product, then eluting with THF (100 mL) gave fluorous disulfide (41 mg, 0.04 mmol, 72%) as a white solid. Further purification of the non-fluorous crude product by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with EtOAc gave **30** (34 mg, 0.08 mmol, 69%) as a 5:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a yellow oil. Further purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with EtOAc gave the major diastereoisomer as a yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.36-8.29 (m, 3H; 2 × pyridyl-CH and NH), 7.41 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H; pyridyl-CH), 7.24-7.18 (m, 4H; 4 × Ar-CH), 7.03-7.01 (m, 2H; 2 × Ar-CH), 6.97 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H; pyridyl-CH), 6.44 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.15 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.96 (ddd, J = 17.3, 10.1, 8.0 Hz, 1H; CH=CH₂), 5.31 (dd, J = 17.3, 0.9 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 5.17 (dd, J = 10.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H; CH=CH_AH_B), 4.12 (s, 1H; CH-pyridyl), 3.86 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.73 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.69 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.71-3.65 (m, 1H; NCHCH=CH₂), 2.63 (dd, J = 13.4, 9.1 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.93

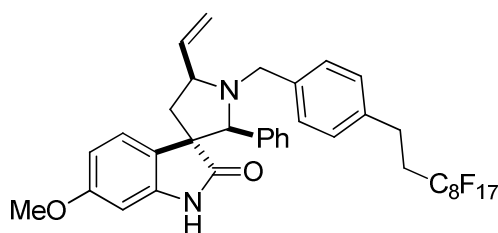
(dd, $J = 13.4, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 181.0 (C=O), 159.6 (Ar-C), 149.5 (pyridyl-CH), 148.5 (pyridyl-CH), 140.9 (Ar-C), 140.0 (CH=CH₂), 136.0 (pyridyl-CH), 135.7 (Ar-C), 132.7 (Ar-C), 129.9 (Ar-CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 127.1 (Ar-CH), 126.3 (Ar-CH), 124.1 (Ar-C), 122.5 (pyridyl-CH), 117.0 (CH=CH₂), 106.7 (Ar-CH), 96.5 (Ar-CH), 73.1 (CH-pyridyl), 64.6 (NCHCH=CH₂), 57.8 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 53.6 (NCH₂Ph), 41.1 (CH₂CHN); IR (film): ν_{max} 3204 (NH), 2924, 2834, 1697 (C=O), 1632, 1594, 1502, 1345, 1315, 1262, 1150, 1122, 1074, 1023, 923; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 434 (100, $[M + \text{Na}]^+$); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$: 434.1839 $[M + \text{H}]^+$; found: 434.1834.

Benzylidene-[4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecyl)-benzyl]-amine



Benzaldehyde (0.09 mL, 0.90 mmol, 1.0 eq) and MgSO_4 (excess) were added to a solution of 4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecyl)-benzylamine (500 mg, 0.90 mmol, 1.0 eq) in CH_2Cl_2 (5.00 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 18 h, then filtered through Celite. Evaporation of the filtrate gave benzylidene-[4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecyl)-benzyl]-amine (296 mg, 0.46 mmol, 51%) as a white powder, m.p. 95-97 °C (MeOH); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.41 (s, 1H; CH=N), 7.77-7.82 (m, 2H; 2 \times Ar-CH), 7.40-7.47 (m, 3H; 3 \times Ar-CH), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H; 2 \times Ar-CH), 7.21 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H; 2 \times Ar-CH), 4.82 (s, 2H; NCH₂), 2.88-2.95 (m, 2H; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 2.28-2.45 (m, 2H; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$); ^{13}C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.0 (CH=N), 137.8 (2 \times Ar-C), 136.1 (Ar-C), 130.8 (Ar-CH), 128.6 (Ar-CH), 128.45 (Ar-CH), 128.43 (Ar-CH), 128.3 (Ar-CH), 64.7 (NCH₂), 33.0 (t, $J = 21.2$ Hz; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 26.1 (t, $J = 4.2$ Hz; $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$); IR (film): ν 2917, 2848, 1640 (C=N), 1371, 1332, 1198, 1144, 1114, 1085, 955, 825, 703, 655; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 642 (100, $[M + \text{H}]^+$); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{NF}_{17}$: 642.1084 $[M + \text{H}]^+$; found: 642.1079.

rac*-(2'*S*,3*S*,5'*S*)-1'-(4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-Heptafluorodecyl)benzyl)-6-methoxy-2'-phenyl-5'-vinylspiro[indoline-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one **41*

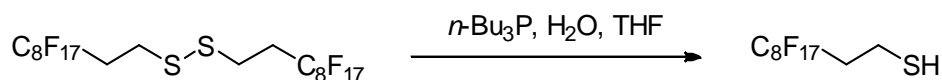


Using general procedure I, oxindole **10** (109 mg, 0.15 mmol) and SmI_2 (3.0 mL of a 0.1 M solution in THF, 0.30 mmol) in THF (4 mL), and imine (115 mg, 0.18 mmol) gave the crude product as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy). Purification by **FSPE** eluting with 60% aqueous MeCN gave the non-fluorous reaction components, then elution with MeOH (100 mL) gave spirooxindole **41** (87 mg, 0.10 mmol, 68%) as a 4:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (by ^1H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale yellow solid, then eluting with THF (100 mL) gave fluorous disulfide (60 mg, 0.06 mmol, 84%) as an off-white solid. Further purification of the fluorous fraction by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 3% acetone in CHCl_3 allowed separation of the diastereoisomers. **41** (major diastereoisomer): m.p. (Et_2O) 131-134 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.81 (s, 1H; NH), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.40-7.00 (m, 7H; Ar-CH), 6.99 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H; 2 \times Ar-CH), 6.46 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.16 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.95 (ddd, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 8.3$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.29 (dd, $J = 17.2, 1.1$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 5.15 (dd, $J = 10.1, 1.1$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}=\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B$), 4.08 (s, 1H; CHPh), 3.91 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{Ar}$), 3.72 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1H; $\text{NCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{Ar}$), 3.70 (s, 3H; OCH_3), 3.65-3.59 (m, 1H; $\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 2.90-2.86 (m, 2H; CH_2S), 2.60 (dd, $J = 13.4, 9.6$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$), 2.40-2.30 (m, 2H; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 1.89 (dd, $J = 13.4, 7.0$ Hz, 1H; $\text{CH}_A\text{H}_B\text{CHN}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 181.5 (C=O), 159.4 (Ar-C), 140.6 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 140.4 (Ar-C), 137.7 (Ar-C), 136.5 (Ar-C), 134.1 (Ar-C), 130.6 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 127.5 (Ar-CH), 127.2 (Ar-CH), 126.6 (Ar-CH), 124.9 (Ar-C), 116.6 ($\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 106.7 (Ar-CH), 96.2 (Ar-CH), 74.9 (CHPh), 63.8 ($\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$), 57.9 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH_3), 52.5 (NCH_2Ar), 41.3 (CH_2CHN), 33.0 (t, $J = 22.2$ Hz; $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_8\text{F}_{17}$), 26.0 (t, $J = 3.7$ Hz; CH_2S); IR (film): ν_{max} 3200 (NH), 3016, 2959, 2937, 1714 (C=O), 1624, 1505, 1455, 1237, 1199, 1146, 12113, 984,

835, 802, 701; MS (ES+): m/z (%): 879 (100, $[M + Na]^+$), 857 (20, $[M + H]^+$); HRMS
(ES+): m/z : calcd for $C_{37}H_{29}N_2O_2$: 857.2031 $[M + Na]^+$; found: 857.2031.

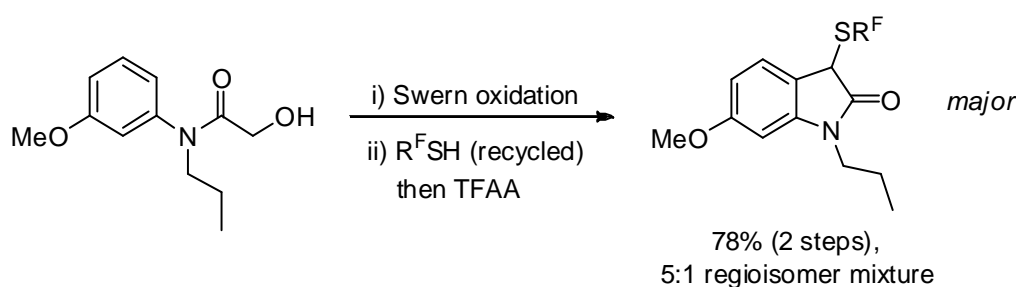
Reduction of fluororous disulfide to fluororous thiol:

In all tag-removal cyclisation reactions to form spirooxindoles, **FSPE** can be used to isolate fluororous disulfide for recycling.



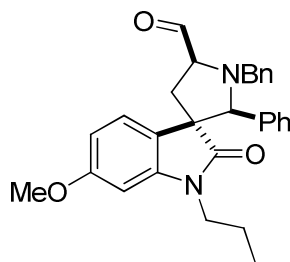
A solution of water (0.57 mL of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.57 mmol) and *n*-Bu₃P (141 μL, 0.57 mmol) were added sequentially to a stirred solution of disulfide⁹ (500 mg, 0.52 mmol) in THF (15 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 9 h, then evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Purification by Kugelrohr distillation (bp 60-70 °C, 10 mm Hg) gave fluororous thiol⁹ (349 mg, 0.73 mmol, 70%) as a colorless oil.

Use of recycled fluororous thiol in a Pummerer reaction:



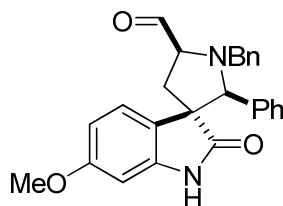
Using general procedure D, hydroxyamide **S7** (289 mg, 1.29 mmol) was oxidized to the corresponding glyoxamide. Using general procedure F, the crude glyoxamide, recycled fluororous thiol (621 mg, 1.29 mmol) and TFAA (360 μL, 2.59 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** eluting with 60% MeCN in water gave the non-fluorous components of the mixture, then elution with MeCN gave oxindoles **17** (688 mg, 1.01 mmol, 78%) as a 5:1 mixture of regioisomers (by ¹H NMR spectroscopy) as a pale brown oil.

rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Benzyl-6-methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1-propyl-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carbaldehyde **31*



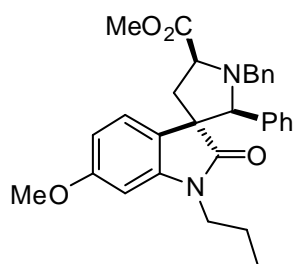
Using general procedure J, OsO₄ (207 μL of a 2.5% w/v solution in *tert*-butanol, 20.3 μmol), NMO (71 mg, 0.6 mmol) and spirooxindole **25** (92 mg, 0.20 mmol) in acetone (12 mL) and water (1.5 mL), then NaIO₄ (61 mg, 0.29 mmol) in THF (10 mL) and water (2 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave aldehyde **31** (80 mg, 0.18 mmol, 87% over two steps) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 148-151 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.22 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H; CHO), 7.30-7.17 (m, 7H; 7 × Ar-CH), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.08-7.03 (m, 3H; 3 × Ar-CH), 6.38 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.06 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.27 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.02 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.67 (OCH₃), 3.63-3.56 (m, 2H; CH₂CHN and NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.31 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.32-3.25 (m, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 2.71 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 11.4 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.97 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 5.6 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.51-1.38 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.74 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 201.7 (C=O), 177.8 (C=O), 159.8 (Ar-C), 143.6 (Ar-C), 137.0 (Ar-C), 135.9 (Ar-C), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 128.6 (Ar-CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-CH), 127.74 (Ar-CH), 127.71 (Ar-CH), 125.8 (Ar-CH), 123.0 (Ar-C), 105.4 (Ar-CH), 96.1 (Ar-CH), 76.8 (CHPh), 70.3 (CH₂CHN), 57.8 (NCH₂Ph), 57.3 (C-C=O), 55.4 (OCH₃), 41.7 (NCH₂CH₂), 36.3 (CH₂CHN), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.4 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 2961, 2934, 1726 (C=O), 1713 (C=O), 1624, 1600, 1503, 1455, 1379, 1210, 1107 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 477 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd (%) for C₂₉H₃₀N₂O₃: 477.2149 [M + Na]⁺; found: 477.2161.

rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Benzyl-6-methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'pyrrolidine]-5'-carbaldehyde **32*



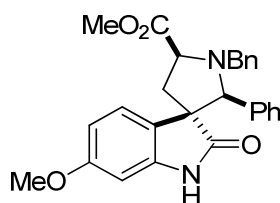
OsO₄ (0.27 mL of a 2.5% w/v solution in *tert*-butanol, 0.03 mmol) and NMO (95 mg, 0.81 mmol) were added to a stirred suspension of spirooxindole **29** (110 mg, 0.27 mmol) in acetone (9 mL) and water (1.5 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 48 h, then a saturated aqueous solution of Na₂S₂O₃ (10 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude diol product. The crude product was dissolved in EtOAc (6.8 mL), Pb(OAc)₄ (180 mg, 0.41 mmol) was added and the resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 15 min. The resulting mixture was filtered through a short silica plug, washing with EtOAc. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to give aldehyde **32** (100 mg, 0.24 mmol, 94% over two steps) as a white foam; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.29 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H; CHO), 7.64 (s, 1H; NH), 7.38-7.28 (m, 7H; 7 × ArCH), 7.19-7.11 (m, 4H; 4 × ArCH), 6.46 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 6.20 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 4.34 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.10 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BPh), 3.71 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.66 (ddd, *J* = 10.9, 5.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H; CHCHO), 3.40 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BPh), 2.78 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 10.9 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.10 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 201.5 (C=O), 179.9 (C=O), 159.8 (Ar-C), 140.7 (Ar-C), 136.8 (Ar-C), 136.0 (Ar-C), 130.0 (2 × Ar-CH), 128.6 (3 × Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (2 × Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 123.1 (Ar-C), 106.9 (Ar-CH), 96.7 (Ar-CH), 76.6 (CHPh), 70.3 (CHCHO), 57.9 (C-C=O), 57.8 (PhCH₂), 55.3 (OCH₃), 36.4 (CH₂CHN); IR (film): ν_{max} 3238 (NH), 2928, 2825, 1722 (2 × C=O), 1629, 1596, 1501, 1453, 1342, 1307, 1272, 1191, 1154, 1122, 1027, 825, 753, 698; MS (ES⁻): *m/z* (%): 411 (100, [M - H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₆H₂₅N₂O₃: 413.1860 [M + H⁺]; found: 413.1877.

rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Benzyl-6-methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1-propyl-1,2-dihydro-spiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester **33*



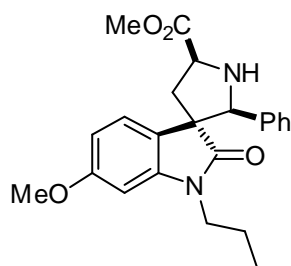
Using general procedure K, oxidant solution (1.60 mL), aldehyde **31** (77 mg, 0.17 mmol) in *tert*-butanol (4 mL), MeCN (4 mL) and 2-methyl-2-butene (2 mL) then trimethylsilyldiazomethane (1.50 mL of a 2.0 M solution in hexanes, 3.00 mmol) in anhydrous MeOH (8 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave methyl ester **33** (66 mg, 0.14 mmol, 80%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 116-118 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.32-7.22 (m, 7H; 7 × Ar-CH), 7.10-7.08 (m, 3H; 3 × Ar-CH), 6.51 (dd, *J* = 2.5, 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.09 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.19 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.04 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 5.6 Hz, 1H; NCHCO₂CH₃), 3.75 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.64 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 8.5, 6.3 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.51 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.45 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.31 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 8.2, 6.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 2.80 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 11.1 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.13 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.54-1.44 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.79 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 178.1 (C=O), 174.1 (C=O), 159.7 (Ar-C), 143.4 (Ar-C), 136.1 (Ar-C), 135.8 (Ar-C), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 128.3 (Ar-CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 127.5 (Ar-CH), 127.3 (Ar-CH), 127.2 (Ar-CH), 123.5 (Ar-C), 105.4 (Ar-CH), 95.7 (Ar-CH), 76.3 (CHPh), 63.3 (NCHCO₂Me), 57.4 (C-C=O), 56.2 (NCH₂Ph), 55.3 (OCH₃), 51.6 (OCH₃), 41.7 (NCH₂CH₂), 38.2 (CH₂CHN), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.4 (CH₃); IR (film): ν_{max} 2951, 2930, 1747 (C=O), 1711 (C=O), 1624, 1504, 1435, 1382, 1367, 1209, 1173, 1106 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 507 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₃₀H₃₂N₂O₄: 507.2254 [M + Na]⁺; found: 507.2262.

rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-1'-Benzyl-6-methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester **34*



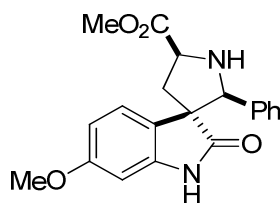
Using general procedure K, oxidant solution (2.4 mL), aldehyde **32** (100 mg, 0.24 mmol) in *tert*-butanol (10.4 mL), MeCN (10.4 mL) and 2-methyl-2-butene (5.2 mL) then trimethylsilyldiazomethane (2.1 mL of a 2.0 M solution in hexanes, 4.20 mmol) in anhydrous MeOH (14.9 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 40% EtOAc in petroleum ether gave methyl ester **34** (85 mg, 0.13 mmol, 80%) as a white solid, m.p. (EtOAc/hexane) 172 -175 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (s, 1H; NH), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 7.33-7.22 (m, 7H; 7 × ArCH), 7.13-7.10 (m, 3H; 3 × ArCH), 6.52 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 6.16 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 4.19 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.04 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.77-3.74 (m, 1H; CHCO₂CH₃), 3.71 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.51 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BPh), 3.46 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.80 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 10.9 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.18 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 180.3 (C=O), 174.0 (C=O), 159.6 (Ar-C), 140.5 (Ar-C), 136.8 (Ar-C), 135.9 (Ar-C), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 129.5 (Ar-CH), 128.5 (Ar-CH), 128.3 (Ar-CH), 128.2 (Ar-CH), 128.0 (2 × Ar-CH), 127.7 (Ar-CH), 127.65 (Ar-CH), 127.63 (Ar-CH), 127.3 (Ar-CH), 123.6 (Ar-C), 106.9 (Ar-CH), 96.2 (Ar-CH), 76.1 (CHPh), 63.2 (CHCO₂CH₃), 57.9 (C-C=O), 56.1 (NCH₂Ph), 55.4 (OCH₃), 51.7 (OCH₃), 38.4 (CH₂CHN); IR (film): ν 3243 (NH), 3030, 2941, 2830, 1708 (C=O), 1624 (C=O), 1596, 1453, 1342, 1240, 1200, 1149, 1024, 1110, 1027, 827, 751, 700, 668; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 465 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₇H₂₆N₂O₄: 465.1785 [M + Na]⁺; found: 465.1779.

rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-6-Methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1-propyl-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester **35*



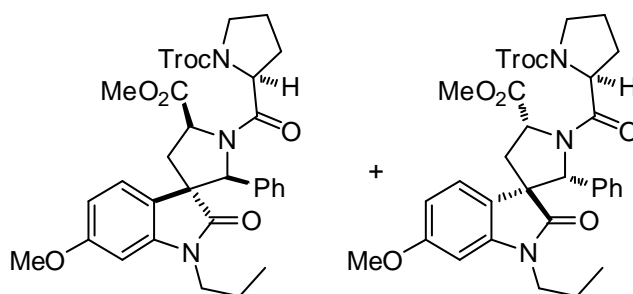
Using general procedure L, *N*-benzyl amine **33** (38 mg, 0.08 mmol) and Pd(OH)₂ (8 mg, 20% wt.) in a 0.05 M solution of HCl in MeOH (8 mL) gave amine **35** (30 mg, 0.08 mmol, 97%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 66-69 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.12-7.06 (m, 5H; 5 × Ar-CH), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.15 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.68 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.43 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 5.8 Hz, 1H; NCHCO₂CH₃), 3.85 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.72 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.68 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 8.3, 6.3 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.41 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 8.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂), 3.21 (br s, 1H; NH), 2.95 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 10.6 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.33 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 1.62-1.48 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 178.0 (C=O), 173.9 (C=O), 159.7 (Ar-C), 143.5 (Ar-C), 136.1 (Ar-C), 127.6 (Ar-CH), 126.6 (Ar-CH), 125.7 (Ar-CH), 122.8 (Ar-C), 105.5 (Ar-CH), 96.1 (Ar-CH), 71.2 (CHPh), 58.0 (C-C=O), 57.4 (NCHCO₂CH₃), 55.3 (OCH₃), 52.5 (OCH₃), 41.8 (CH₂N), 40.2 (CH₂CHN), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.4 (CH₃); IR (neat): ν_{max} 3337 (NH), 2956, 2933, 1739 (C=O), 1701 (C=O), 1625, 1599, 1500, 1380, 1204, 1175, 1097, 1013 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 395 (100, [M + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₃H₂₆N₂O₄: 395.1965 [M + Na⁺]; found: 395.1978.

rac*-(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-6-Methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-spiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester **36*



Using general procedure L, *N*-benzyl amine **34** (70 mg, 0.16 mmol) and Pd(OH)₂ (14 mg, 20% wt.) in a 0.05 M solution of HCl in MeOH (4.6 mL) gave amine **36** (41 mg, 0.25 mmol, 74%) as a white foam; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 (s, 1H; NH), 7.18-7.07 (m, 6H; 6 × Ar-CH), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.19 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.64 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.35 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H; NCHCO₂Me), 3.84 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.70 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.93 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 10.3 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.87 (br s, 1H; NHCHCO₂Me), 2.36 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 6.1 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 180.5 (C=O), 174.1 (C=O), 159.6 (Ar-C), 140.6 (Ar-C), 136.9 (Ar-C), 127.7 (2 × Ar-CH), 127.5 (Ar-CH), 126.7 (Ar-CH and Ar-C), 126.1 (Ar-CH), 123.4 (Ar-CH), 106.9 (Ar-CH), 96.5 (Ar-CH), 71.3 (CHPh), 58.5 (CHCO₂CH₃), 57.6 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 52.3 (OCH₃), 40.5 (CH₂CHN); IR (film): ν_{max} 3202 (NH), 2951, 2921, 2849, 1718 (broad; C=O), 1628, 1598, 1506, 1457, 1340, 1311, 1276, 1193, 1154, 1125, 1031, 833, 754, 699; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 353 (100, [M + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₀H₂₁N₂O₄: 353.1496 [M + H]⁺; found: 353.1498.

(2'S,5'S,3S)-6-Methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1-propyl-1'-[1-(3,3,3-trichloroethoxycarbonyl)-pyrrolidine-2S-carbonyl]-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester 37b and
(2'R,5'R,3R)-6-Methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1-propyl-1'-[1-(3,3,3-trichloroethoxycarbonyl)-pyrrolidine-2S-carbonyl]-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester 37a



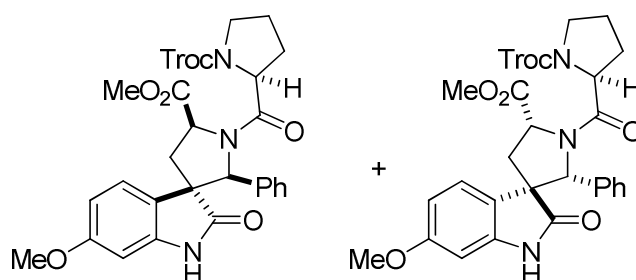
Using general procedure M, a solution of *N*-Troc (*S*)-prolinyl chloride (136 mg, 0.44 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL), amine **35** (58 mg, 0.15 mmol) and Et₃N (123 μL, 0.88

mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 50% EtOAc in hexane gave amide **37b** (49 mg, 0.07 mmol, 50%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 158-160 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{21} = +38.4$ (c 0.75, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz; CDCl₃, 3:1 mixture of rotamers; data given for major rotamer only): δ 8.32 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.53 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.33 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.48 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.35 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.08 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.46 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.44 (s, 1H; CHPh), 5.36 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCCl₃), 5.18 (dd, $J = 11.3, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; NCHCO₂CH₃), 4.59 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCCl₃), 4.34 (dd, $J = 8.5, 3.8$ Hz, 1H; NCHC(O)N), 3.85 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.80-3.72 (m, 1H; CHN), 3.73 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.66-3.60 (m, 1H; CHN), 3.50-3.44 (m, 2H; 2 × CHN), 2.43 (dd, $J = 13.3, 6.8$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHCO₂CH₃), 2.34 (dd, $J = 13.3, 11.3$ Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHCO₂CH₃), 2.12-2.04 (m, 1H; CH), 1.77-1.61 (m, 4H; 2 × CH₂), 1.46-1.38 (m, 1H; CH), 0.98 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, 3:1 mixture of rotamers; data given for major rotamer only): δ 178.1 (C=O), 173.3 (C=O), 172.7 (C=O), 160.5 (C=O), 151.7 (Ar-C), 144.2 (Ar-C), 139.6 (Ar-C), 129.0 (Ar-CH), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 127.6 (Ar-CH), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 117.2 (Ar-C), 105.5 (Ar-CH), 97.1 (CCl₃), 96.2 (Ar-CH), 73.5 (OCH₂CCl₃), 66.1 (CHPh), 58.0 (NCHCO₂CH₃), 57.3 (C-C=O), 56.7 (NCHC(O)N), 55.4 (OCH₃), 52.4 (OCH₃), 47.6 (NCH₂CH₂CH₂), 41.6 (NCH₂CH₂CH₃), 36.5 (CH₂CHN), 30.5 (CH₂), 23.3 (CH₂), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.4 (CH₃); IR (neat): ν_{\max} 2951, 2931, 1732 (C=O), 1717 (C=O), 1703 (C=O), 1656 (C=O), 1623, 1408, 1348, 1310, 1211, 1170, 1112, 1173 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 690 (85, [³⁵Cl₂³⁷ClM + Na]⁺); 688 (100, [³⁵Cl₃M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₃₁H₃₄N₃O₇Cl₃: 688.1365 [M + Na⁺]; found: 688.1355; and amide **37a** (47 mg, 0.07 mmol, 48%) as an amorphous white solid, $[\alpha]_D^{21} = +43.2$ (c 0.84, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz; D₆-DMSO, complex mixture of rotamers; data given for the two major rotamers only): δ 8.55-8.23 (br m, 2H; Ar-CH, both rotamers), 7.57-7.36 (br m, 2H; Ar-CH, both rotamers), 7.34 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 7.22-7.08 (br m, 2H; Ar-CH, both rotamers), 6.88-6.72 (br m, 2H; Ar-CH, both rotamers), 6.66 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 6.64 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 6.14 (dd, $J = 8.2, 2.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 6.10 (d, $J = 8.2, 2.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 5.32 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 5.27 (d, $J =$

8.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH, one rotamer), 4.98 (s, 2H; *CHPh*, both rotamers), 4.83 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H; $CH_AH_BCCl_3$, one rotamer), 4.79-4.75 (m, 1H; C(O)*NCH*, one rotamer), 4.76 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H; $CH_AH_BCCl_3$, one rotamer), 4.72 (dd, $J = 11.4, 7.3$ Hz, 1H; C(O)*NCH*, one rotamer), 4.64 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H; $CH_AH_BCCl_3$, one rotamer), 4.21 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H; $CH_AH_BCCl_3$, one rotamer), 4.16 (dd, $J = 8.8, 2.5$ Hz, 1H; C(O)*NCH*, one rotamer), 4.03 (dd, $J = 9.2, 2.2$ Hz, 1H; C(O)*NCH*, one rotamer), 3.74 (s, 3H; OCH₃, one rotamer), 3.72 (s, 3H; OCH₃, one rotamer), 3.72-3.61 (m, 4H; NCH₂CH₂CH₃, both rotamers), 3.69 (s, 3H; OCH₃, one rotamer), 3.68 (s, 3H; OCH₃, one rotamer), 3.66-3.51-3.34 (m, 4H; NCH₂CH₂CH₂, both rotamers), 2.37-2.30 (m, 4H; 2 × CH, both rotamers), 1.94-1.79 (m, 4H; 2 × CH, both rotamers), 1.71-1.57 (m, 4H; CH₂CH₃, both rotamers), 0.898 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH₃, one rotamer), 0.895 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H; CH₃, one rotamer); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, D₆-DMSO, complex mixture of rotamers; data given for the two major rotamers only): δ 178.4 (C=O, one rotamer), 178.3 (C=O, one rotamer), 172.0 (C=O, one rotamer), 171.8 (C=O, one rotamer), 171.3 (C=O, one rotamer), 171.2 (C=O, one rotamer), 160.2 (C=O, both rotamers), 152.0 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 151.5 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 144.2 (Ar-C, both rotamers), 138.3 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 138.2 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 128.2-127.5 (3 × Ar-CH, both rotamers), 125.6 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 125.4 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 116.8 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 116.7 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 106.0 (Ar-CH, both rotamers), 96.1 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 95.9 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 95.4 (CCl₃, both rotamers), 74.0 (OCH₂CCl₃, one rotamer), 73.7 (OCH₂CCl₃, one rotamer), 65.0 (*CHPh*, both rotamers), 58.4 (NCHC(O), both rotamers), 58.2 (NCHC(O), both rotamers), 56.4 (C-C=O, both rotamers), 55.4 (OCH₃, both rotamers), 52.1 (OCH₃, one rotamer), 52.0 (OCH₃, one rotamer), 47.6 (NCH₂CH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 46.7 (NCH₂CH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 40.7 (NCH₂CH₂CH₃, both rotamers), 35.5 (CH₂, one rotamer), 35.1 (CH₂, one rotamer), 29.3 (CH₂, one rotamer), 28.5 (CH₂, one rotamer), 23.2 (CH₂, one rotamer), 22.2 (CH₂, one rotamer), 20.3 (CH₂CH₃, both rotamers), 11.1 (CH₃, both rotamers); IR (film): ν 2955, 2930, 1704 (broad; C=O), 1668 (C=O), 1622, 1407, 1356, 1206, 1170, 1124, 1110 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 690 (80, [³⁵Cl₂³⁷ClM + Na]⁺); 688 (100, [³⁵Cl₃M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for C₃₁H₃₄N₃O₇Cl₃: 666.1535 [$M + H^+$]; found: 666.1537.

(2'*S*,5'*S*,3*S*)-6-Methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1'-[1-(3,3,3-trichloroethoxycarbonyl)-pyrrolidine-2*S*-carbonyl]-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester **38b** and

(2'*R*,5'*R*,3*R*)-6-Methoxy-2-oxo-2'-phenyl-1'-[1-(3,3,3-trichloroethoxycarbonyl)-pyrrolidine-2*S*-carbonyl]-1,2-dihydrospiro[indole-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylic acid methyl ester **38a**

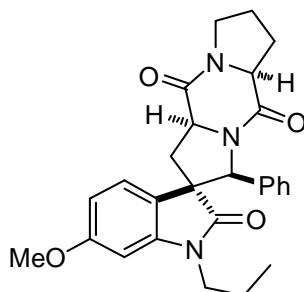


Using general procedure M, a solution of *N*-Troc-(*S*)-prolinyl chloride (14.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5.60 mL), amine **36** (16 mg, 0.05 mmol) and Et₃N (6.60 μL, 0.05 mmol) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 50% EtOAc in hexane gave amide **38b** (14 mg, 0.02 mmol, 50%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 110-113 °C; [α]_D²⁶ = +1.65 (c 2.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 1.5:1 mixture of rotamers): δ 8.29-8.37 (m, 2H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 7.91 (s, 1H; NH, one rotamer), 7.61 (s, 1H; NH; one rotamer), 7.57-7.50 (m, 2H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 7.37-7.30 (m, 2H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 7.19-7.12 (m, 2H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 6.63 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.53 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.43 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.41 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.12-6.07 (m, 2 H; ArCH, both rotamers), 5.48-5.46 (m, 3 H; ArCH both rotamers and CHPh, one rotamer), 5.45 (s, 1H; CHPh, one rotamer), 5.36 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCCl₃; one rotamer), 5.15-5.24 (m, 2H; CHCO₂CH₃, both rotamers), 4.95 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCCl₃; one rotamer), 4.52 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCCl₃; one rotamer), 4.51 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCCl₃; one rotamer), 4.37 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H; NCHCH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H; NCHCH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 3.87 (s, 3H; OCH₃, one rotamer), 3.86 (s, 3H; OCH₃, one rotamer), 3.73-3.71 (m, 6H; OCH₃, both rotamers), 3.69-3.60 (m, 2H; NCHCH₂CH₂CH_AH_B, both rotamers), 3.55-3.45 (m, 2H; NCHCH₂CH₂CH_AH_B, both rotamers), 2.47-2.40 (m, 4H; 2 × NCHCH₂C, both rotamers), 2.13-2.01 (m, 2H; NCHCH₂CH_AH_B, both rotamers),

1.78-1.63 (m, 4H; NCHCH₂CH_AH_B and NCHCH_AH_BCH₂, both rotamers), 1.47-1.29 ppm (m, 2H; NCHCH_AH_BCH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 1.5:1 mixture of rotamers): δ 180.6 (C=O, one rotamer), 180.3 (C=O, one rotamer), 171.1 (C=O, one rotamer), 173.3 (2 × C=O, both rotamers), 172.9 (C=O, one rotamer), 172.8 (C=O, one rotamer), 172.6 (C=O, one rotamer), 160.45 (ArC, one rotamer), 160.47 (ArC, one rotamer), 152.9 (ArC, one rotamer), 151.8 (ArC, one rotamer), 142.1 (ArC, one rotamer), 141.7 (ArC, one rotamer), 139.5 (ArC, one rotamer), 139.3 (ArC, one rotamer), 129.0 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 128.8 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 128.6 (2 × Ar-CH, both rotamers), 128.4 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 128.3 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 127.73 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 127.68 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 126.70 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 126.66 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 126.4 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 126.3 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 117.7 (CCl₃, one rotamer), 117.6 (CCl₃, one rotamer), 107.0 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 106.8 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 96.7 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 96.2 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 75.1 (CH₂CCl₃, one rotamer), 73.7 (CH₂CCl₃, one rotamer), 66.5 (CHPh, one rotamer), 66.3 (CHPh, one rotamer), 58.6 (C-C=O, one rotamer), 58.5 (C-C=O, one rotamer), 58.1 (2 × CHCO₂CH₃, both rotamers), 57.6 (NCHCH₂C, one rotamer), 57.4 (NCHCH₂C, one rotamer), 52.5 (OCH₃, one rotamer), 52.5 (OCH₃, one rotamer), 47.8 (NCHCH₂CH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 47.1 (NCHCH₂CH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 36.2 (2 × CHCH₂C, both rotamers), 29.8 (NCHCH₂, one rotamer), 29.7 (NCHCH₂, one rotamer), 24.4 (NCHCH₂CH₂, one rotamer), 23.1 (NCHCH₂CH₂, one rotamer); IR (film): ν 3238 (NH), 2955, 2918, 2844, 1719 (C=O), 1659 (C=O), 1655 (C=O), 1634 (C=O), 1599, 1504, 1453, 1432, 1413, 1339, 1307, 1284, 1256, 1205, 1193, 1159, 1124, 1031, 811, 753, 702; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 646 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₈H₂₈N₃O₇Cl₃Na: 646.0885 [M + Na]⁺; found: 646.0894; and amide **38a** (12.5 mg, 0.02 mmol, 45%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 155-157 °C; [α]_D²⁶ = +29.45 (c 2.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, complex mixture of rotamers; data given for the two major rotamer only): δ 8.64 - 8.42 (m, 2 H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 7.85-7.79 (m, 2 H; NH, both rotamers), 7.67-7.44 (m, 2 H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 7.37-7.09 (m, 2 H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 6.66-6.48 (m, 2 H; 2 × ArCH, both rotamers), 6.43 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.42 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.15 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.4 Hz, 1 H; ArCH, one rotamer), 6.11 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.4 Hz, 1 H; ArCH, one rotamer), 5.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H; ArCH, one rotamer), 5.34 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H; ArCH, one

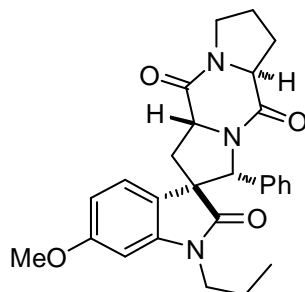
rotamer), 5.05-4.99 (m, 2 H; CHCO_2CH_3 , both rotamers), 4.98 (s, H; CHPh , one rotamer), 4.97 (s, H; CHPh , one rotamer), 4.86 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1 H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{CCl}_3$, one rotamer), 4.74 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1 H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{CCl}_3$, one rotamer), 4.52 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1 H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{CCl}_3$, one rotamer), 4.33 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1 H; NCHCH_2 , one rotamer), 4.22 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1 H; NCHCH_2 , one rotamer), 4.21 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1 H; $\text{CH}_\text{A}\text{H}_\text{B}\text{CCl}_3$, one rotamer), 3.86 (s, 6 H; OCH_3 , both rotamers), 3.75 (s, 3 H; OCH_3 , one rotamer), 3.73 (s, 3 H; OCH_3 , one rotamer), 3.68 - 3.72 (m, 2 H; $\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$, both rotamers), 3.41 - 3.52 (m, 2 H; $\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$, both rotamers), 2.37 - 2.50 (m, 4 H; $2 \times \text{CHCH}_2\text{C}$, both rotamers), 2.22 - 2.30 (m, 2 H, NCHCH_2 ; both rotamers), 2.11 - 2.15 (m, 4 H, NCHCH_2 and $\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$; both rotamers), 1.94 - 1.85 ppm (m, 2 H, $\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$; both rotamers); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , complex mixture of rotamers, data given only for the major rotamers): δ 180.9 (C=O), 180.6 (C=O), 174.1 (C=O), 173.3 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O), 172.2 (C=O), 171.8 (C=O), 171.7 (C=O), 160.53 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 160.51 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 152.6 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 152.3 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 141.6 ($2 \times$ Ar-C, both rotamers), 137.8 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 137.3 (Ar-C, one rotamer), 129.68 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 128.7 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 128.6 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 126.9 ($2 \times$ Ar-CH, both rotamers), 126.5 ($2 \times$ Ar-CH, both rotamers), 117.6 (CCl_3 , one rotamer), 117.4 (CCl_3 , one rotamer), 106.98 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 106.93 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 100 ($2 \times$ Ar-CH, both rotamers), 96.91 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 96.87 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 96.64 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 96.62 (Ar-CH, one rotamer), 75.1 (CH_2CCl_3 , one rotamer), 74.5 (CH_2CCl_3 , one rotamer), 65.9 (CHPh , one rotamer), 65.8 (CHPh , one rotamer), 58.8 (CHCO_2CH_3 , one rotamer), 58.6 (CHCO_2CH_3 , one rotamer), 58.51 (NCHCH_2 , one rotamer), 58.47 (NCHCH_2 , one rotamer), 57.63 (C-C=O, one rotamer), 57.59 (C-C=O, one rotamer), 52.53 (OCH_3), 52.50 (OCH_3), 47.7 ($\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$, one rotamer), 46.9 ($\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$, one rotamer), 36.1 (CHCH_2C , one rotamer), 35.8 (CHCH_2C , one rotamer), 30.0 (NCHCH_2 , one rotamer), 29.7 (NCHCH_2 , one rotamer), 23.7 ($\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$, one rotamer), 22.6 ($\text{NCHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$, one rotamer); IR (film): ν 3238 (NH), 2955, 2918, 2844, 1719 (C=O), 1659 (C=O), 1655 (C=O), 1634 (C=O), 1599, 1504, 1453, 1432, 1413, 1339, 1307, 1284, 1256, 1205, 1193, 1159, 1124, 1031, 811, 753, 702; MS (ES⁺): m/z (%): 646 (100, $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$); HRMS (ES⁺): m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_3\text{O}_7\text{Cl}_3\text{Na}$: 646.0885 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$; found: 646.0894.

(2*S*,3*S*,5*aS*,10*aS*)-6'-Methoxy-3-phenyl-1'-propyl-5*a*,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-
spiro[dipyrrolo[1,2-*a*:1'2'-*d*]pyrazine-2,3'-indoline]-2',5,10(3*H*,10*aH*)-trione **39b**



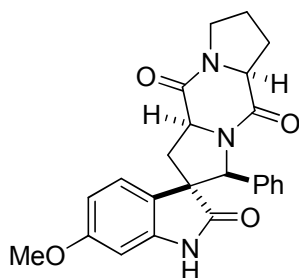
Using general procedure N, Zn dust (480 mg, 7.34 mmol), *N*-Troc amide **37b** (49 mg, 0.07 mmol) in THF (4 mL), MeOH (4 mL) and a saturated solution of NH₄Cl (4 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 3% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂ gave diketopiperazine **39b** (32 mg, 0.07 mmol, 95%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 129-132 °C; [α]_D²⁰ = +141.0 (c 0.52, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42-7.30 (br m, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.26 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.20-7.07 (br m, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.04-6.91 (br m, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.70-6.54 (br m, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.37 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.09 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.43 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.24 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 6.9 Hz, 1H; CCH₂CHN), 5.08 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.38 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H; CH₂CH₂CHN), 3.79-3.69 (m, 2H; NCH_AH_BCH₂CH₃ and NCH_AH_BCH₂CH₂), 3.73 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.65-3.60 (m, 2H; NCH_AH_BCH₂CH₃ and NCH_AH_BCH₂CH₂), 2.73 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 10.8 Hz, 1H; CCH_AH_BCHN), 2.35-2.29 (m, 1H; NCHCH_AH_BCH₂CH₂), 2.32 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 6.9 Hz, 1H; CCH_AH_BCHN), 2.27-2.19 (m, 1H; NCHCH_AH_BCH₂CH₂), 2.05-1.94 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₂CH₂), 1.75 (sextet, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 179.3 (C=O), 167.1 (C=O), 166.9 (C=O), 160.5 (Ar-C), 144.2 (Ar-C), 138.0 (Ar-C), 128.1 (3 × Ar-CH), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 117.5 (Ar-C), 105.6 (Ar-CH), 96.3 (Ar-CH), 65.2 (CHPh), 61.0 (CH₂CH₂NCH), 58.8 (CCH₂NCH), 55.7 (C-C=O), 55.4 (OCH₃), 45.3 and 41.4 (2 × CH₂N), 34.0 (CCH₂CHN), 27.4 (CH₂CH₂N), 23.7 (CH₂CH₂CH₂), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.3 (CH₃); IR (neat): ν_{max} 2964, 2933, 2876, 1716 (C=O), 1662 (C=O), 1624, 1422, 1379, 1277, 1208, 1107 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 482 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₇H₂₉N₃O₄: 460.2231 [M + H]⁺; found: 460.2224.

**(2*R*,3*R*,5*aS*,10*aR*)-6'-Methoxy-3-phenyl-1'-propyl-5*a*,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-
spiro[dipyrrolo[1,2-*a*:1'2'-*d*]pyrazine-2,3'-indoline]-2',5,10(3*H*,10*aH*)-trione **39a****



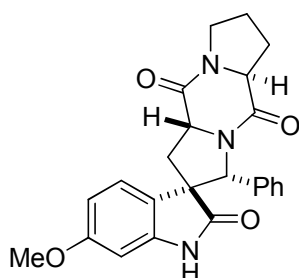
Using general procedure N, Zn dust (461 mg, 7.05 mmol), *N*-Troc amide **37a** (47 mg, 0.07 mmol) in THF (4 mL), MeOH (4 mL) and a saturated solution of NH₄Cl (4 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 3% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂ gave diketopiperazine **39a** (30 mg, 0.07 mmol, 93%) as an amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{28} = +69.3$ (c 0.56, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43-6.55 (br m, 5H; 5 × Ar-CH), 6.35 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.07 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.56 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 5.38 (ddd, *J* = 11.3, 6.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H; CCH₂CHN), 5.21 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.17 (ddd, *J* = 12.1, 9.3, 6.3 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂CH₂), 4.11 (ddd, *J* = 12.1, 5.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H; CH₂CH₂CHN), 3.72 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.70-3.66 (m, 2H; NCH₂CH₂CH₃), 3.30 (ddd, *J* = 12.1, 9.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BCH₂CH₂), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 12.8, 6.0 Hz, 1H; NCHCH_AH_BC), 2.48 (dd, *J* = 12.8, 11.3 Hz, 1H; NCHCH_AH_BC), 2.40-2.30 (m, 1H; CH), 2.13-1.79 (m, 3H; 3 × CH), 1.78-1.69 (m, 2H; CH₂CH₃), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H; CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 179.4 (C=O), 166.4 (C=O), 164.5 (C=O), 160.3 (Ar-C), 144.0 (Ar-C), 137.8 (Ar-C), 128.4 (2 × Ar-CH), 128.0 (Ar-CH), 126.0 (Ar-CH), 118.0 (Ar-C), 105.7 (Ar-CH), 96.3 (Ar-CH), 66.5 (CHPh), 63.2 (CH₂CH₂CHN), 57.8 (CCH₂CHN), 55.4 (OCH₃), 54.6 (C-C=O), 44.4 (NCH₂CH₂CH₂), 41.4 (NCH₂CH₂CH₃), 36.7 (CCH₂CHN), 28.2 (CH₂), 22.4 (CH₂), 20.7 (CH₂CH₃), 11.3 (CH₃); IR (neat): ν_{\max} 2964, 2934, 2876, 1702 (C=O), 1661 (C=O), 1622, 1427, 1378, 1305, 1209, 1177, 1106 cm⁻¹; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 482 (100, [M + Na]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₇H₂₉N₃O₄: 460.2231 [M + H⁺]; found: 460.2233.

**(2*S*,3*S*,5*aS*,10*aS*)-6'-Methoxy-3-phenyl-5*a*,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-
spiro[dipyrrolo[1,2-*a*:1'2'-*d*]pyrazine-2,3'-indoline]-2',5,10(3*H*,10*aH*)-trione **40b****



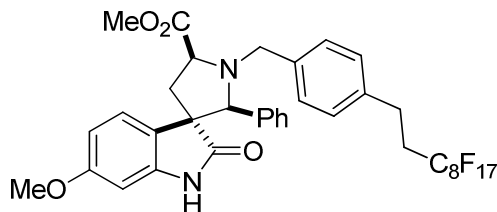
Using general procedure N, Zn dust (187 mg, 2.88 mmol), *N*-Troc amide **38b** (18 mg, 0.03 mmol) in THF (1 mL), MeOH (1 mL) and a saturated solution of NH₄Cl (1 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% MeOH in EtOAc gave diketopiperazine **40b** (11.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 96%) as a white solid, m.p. (EtOAc) 290-292 °C; [α]_D²⁴ = -74.7 (c 1.50, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.88 (s, 1H; NH), 7.42-7.31 (m, 1H; ArCH), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.19-7.08 (m, 1H; ArCH), 7.04-6.91 (m, 1H; ArCH), 6.71-6.60 (m, 1H; ArCH), 6.40 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 6.09 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 5.40 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H; NCHCH₂C), 5.16 (s, 1 H; CHPh), 4.41 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H; NCHCH₂CH₂), 3.81-3.73 (m, 1H; NCH_AH_B), 3.71 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.67-3.60 (m, 1H; NCH_AH_B), 2.73 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 11.0 Hz, 1H; NCHCH_AH_BC), 2.40 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H; NCHCH_AH_BC), 2.36-2.28 (m, 1H; NCHCH_AH_B), 2.28-2.19 (m, 1H; NCHCH_AH_B), 2.05-1.96 (m, 2H; NCHCH₂CH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 180.9 (C=O), 167.00 (C=O), 166.99 (C=O), 160.3 (ArC), 141.5 (ArC), 137.7 (ArC), 128.2 (ArCH), 126.5 (ArCH), 117.8 (ArC), 106.7 (ArCH), 96.8 (ArCH), 64.9 (CHPh), 61.1 (NCHCH₂CH₂), 58.7 (NCHCH₂C), 56.1 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 45.3 (NCHCH₂CH₂CH₂), 33.9 (NCHCH₂C), 27.4 (NCHCH₂), 23.7 (NCHCH₂CH₂); IR (film): ν_{\max} 3206 (NH), 2918, 2858, 1712 (C=O), 1661 (C=O), 1631 (C=O), 1594, 1501, 1453, 1425, 1337, 1307, 1281, 1189, 1156, 1124, 1108, 1031, 834, 749, 698; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 418 (100, [*M* + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₄H₂₄N₄O₃: 418.1770 [*M* + H]⁺; found: 418.1761.

**(2*R*,3*R*,5*aS*,10*aR*)-6'-Methoxy-3-phenyl-5*a*,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-
spiro[dipyrrolo[1,2-*a*:1'2'-*d*]pyrazine-2,3'-indoline]-2',5,10(3*H*,10*aH*)-trione 40*a***



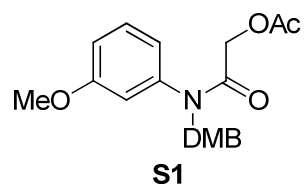
Using general procedure N, Zn dust (156 mg, 2.40 mmol), *N*-Troc amide **38a** (15 mg, 0.02 mmol) in THF (1 mL), MeOH (1 mL) and a saturated solution of NH₄Cl (1 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% MeOH in EtOAc gave diketopiperazine **40a** (8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 80%) as a white solid, m.p. (Et₂O) 239-241 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = +10.8 (c 0.75, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.80 (s, 1H; NH), 7.33-7.17 (m, 5H; 5 × ArCH), 6.39 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 6.08 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 5.52 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H; ArCH), 5.34 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 6.1 Hz, 1H; NCHCH₂C), 5.29 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.20-4.10 (m, 2H; NCHCH₂CH₂ and NCH_AH_B), 3.70 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.32 (m, 1H; NCH_AH_B), 2.50-2.00 (m, 2H; NCHCH₂C), 2.41-2.34 (m, 1H; NCHCH_AH_B), 2.14-2.06 (m, 1H; NCHCH₂CH_AH_B), 2.03-1.92 (m, 1H; NCHCH_AH_B), 1.92-1.82 (m, 1H; NCHCH₂CH_AH_B); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 181.1 (C=O), 166.2 (C=O), 164.6 (C=O), 160.2 (Ar-C), 141.4 (Ar-C), 137.6 (Ar-C), 128.5 (Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 126.3 (Ar-CH), 107.0 (Ar-CH), 96.7 (Ar-CH), 66.2 (CHPh), 63.2 (NCHCH₂CH₂), 57.7 (NCHCH₂C), 55.4 (C-C=O), 55.0 (OCH₃), 44.5 (NCHCH₂CH₂CH₂), 36.7 (NCHCH₂C), 28.2 (NCHCH₂), 22.4 (NCHCH₂CH₂); IR (film): ν_{max} 3206 (NH), 2918, 2858, 1712 (C=O), 1661 (C=O), 1631 (C=O), 1594, 1501, 1453, 1425, 1337, 1307, 1281, 1189, 1156, 1124, 1108, 1031, 834, 749, 698; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 418 (100, [M + H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁺): *m/z*: calcd for C₂₄H₂₄N₄O₃: 418.1770 [M + H]⁺; found: 418.1761.

rac*-(2'*S*,3*S*,5'*S*)-Methyl 1'-(4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,10-heptafluorodecyl)benzyl-6-methoxy-2'-oxo-2'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,3'-pyrrolidine]-5'-carboxylate **42*

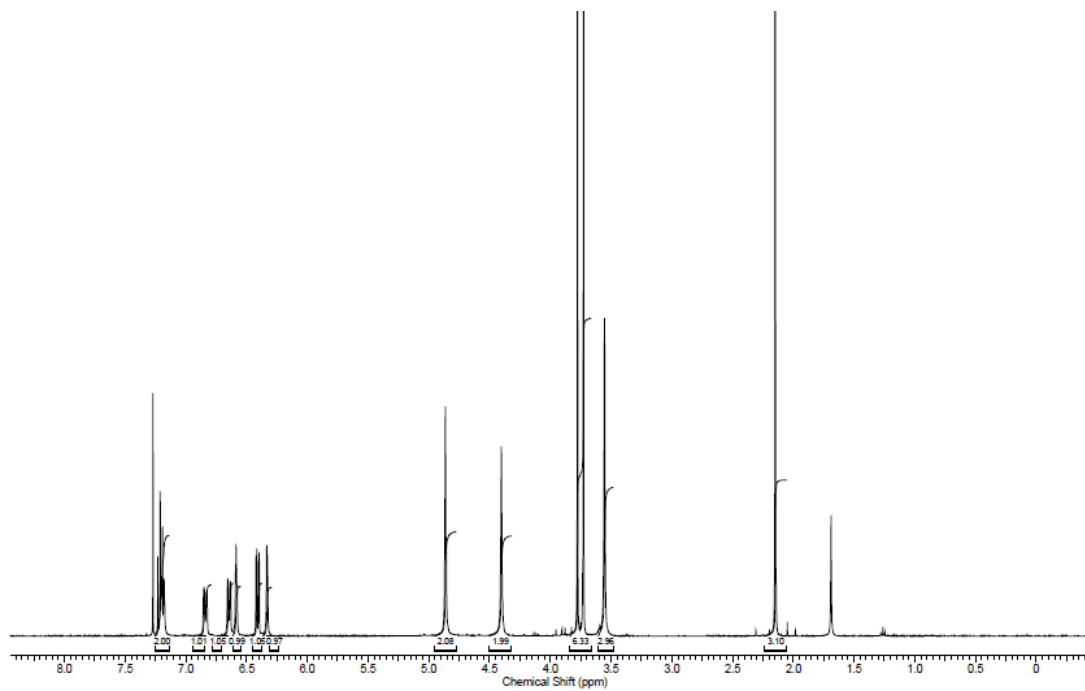


OsO₄ (82 μL of a 2.5% w/v solution in *tert*-butanol, 8.06 μmol) and NMO (28 mg, 0.24 mmol) were added to a stirred suspension of spirooxindole **41** (69 mg, 0.08 mmol) in acetone (5 mL) and water (1 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 84 h, then a saturated aqueous solution of Na₂S₂O₃ (5 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude diol product. The crude product was dissolved in EtOAc (5 mL), then Pb(OAc)₄ (54 mg, 0.12 mmol) was added and the resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 15 min. The resulting mixture was filtered through a short silica plug, washing with EtOAc. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude aldehyde product. Using general procedure K, oxidant solution (1.0 mL) and the crude aldehyde in *tert*-butanol (2 mL), MeCN (2 mL) and 2-methyl-2-butene (1 mL), then trimethylsilyldiazomethane (1.0 mL of a 2.0 M solution in hexanes, 2.0 mmol) in anhydrous MeOH (5 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by **FSPE** eluting with 60% aqueous MeCN gave the non-fluorous reaction components, then elution with MeOH (100 mL) gave methyl ester **42** (57 mg, 0.06 mmol, 80%) as a pale yellow solid, m.p. 69-71 °C (Et₂O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (s, 1H; NH), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 7.29-7.11 (m, 9H; 9 × Ar-CH), 6.51 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 6.16 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-CH), 4.17 (s, 1H; CHPh), 4.00 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BAr), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 6.0 Hz, 1H; NCHCO₂CH₃), 3.71 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.55 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H; NCH_AH_BAr), 3.52 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 2.92-2.88 (m, 2H; CH₂S), 2.79 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 10.8 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN), 2.44-2.30 (m, 2H; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 2.18 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H; CH_AH_BCHN); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 180.3 (C=O), 174.3 (C=O), 159.6 (Ar-C), 140.5 (Ar-C), 138.1

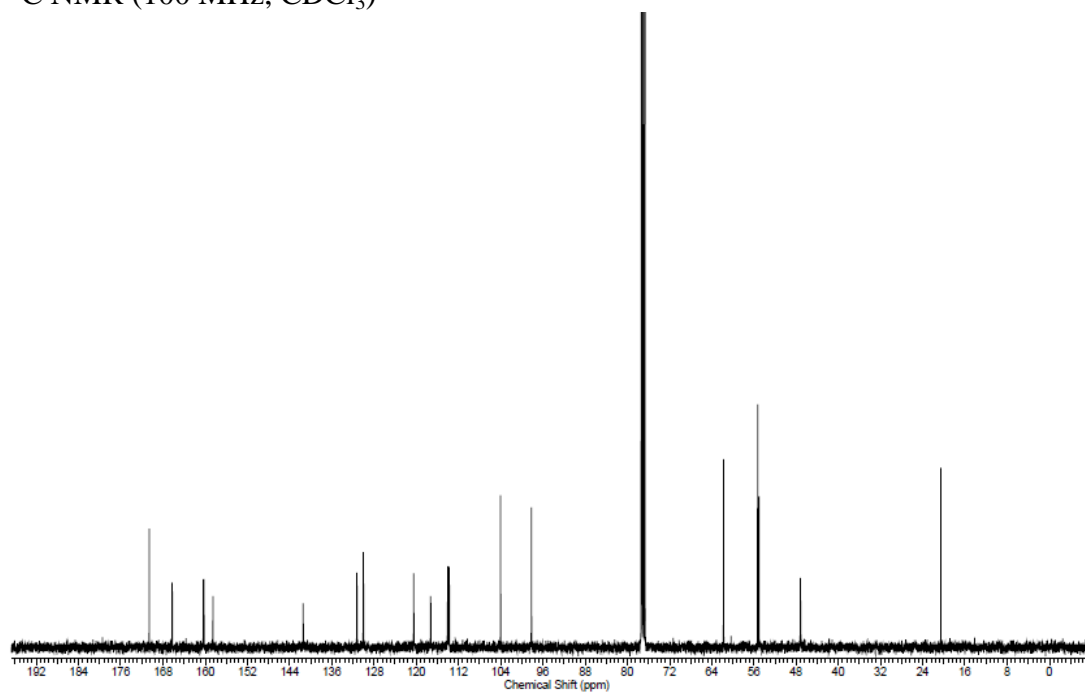
(Ar-C), 135.6 (Ar-C), 134.1 (Ar-C), 130.5 (Ar-CH), 128.3 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-CH), 127.7 (Ar-CH), 127.6 (Ar-CH), 127.5 (Ar-CH), 123.6 (Ar-C), 106.8 (Ar-CH), 96.2 (Ar-CH), 75.7 (CHPh), 62.7 (NCHCO₂CH₃), 57.9 (C-C=O), 55.3 (OCH₃), 55.1 (NCH₂Ar), 51.7 (OCH₃), 38.3 (CH₂), 32.9 (t, *J* = 22.1 Hz; CH₂C₈F₁₇), 26.1 (CH₂S); IR (film): ν_{\max} 3210 (NH), 2948, 2922, 2849, 1714 (2 × C=O), 1631, 1506, 1456, 1341, 1236, 1198, 1145, 1113, 1087, 1026, 806, 702; MS (ES⁺): *m/z* (%): 887 (100, [M - H]⁺); HRMS (ES⁻): *m/z*: calcd for C₃₇H₂₉F₁₇N₂O₄: 887.1783 [M - H]⁺; found: 887.1776.

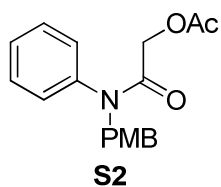


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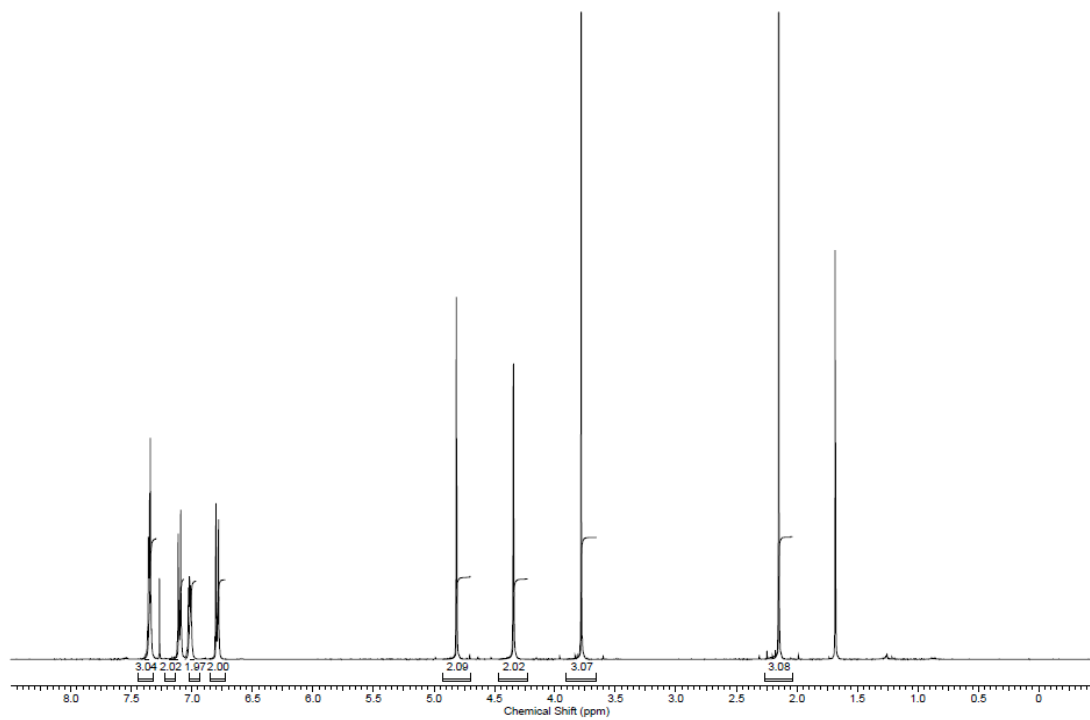


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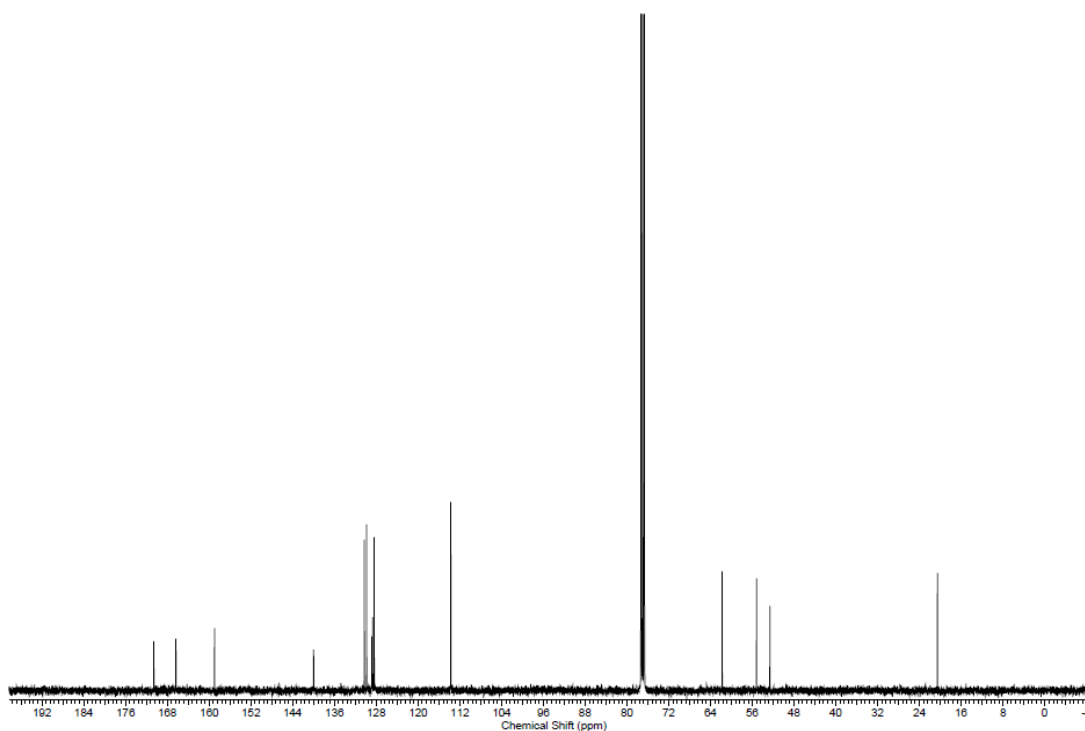


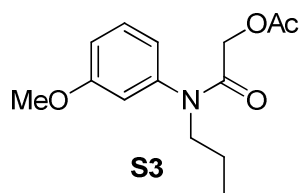


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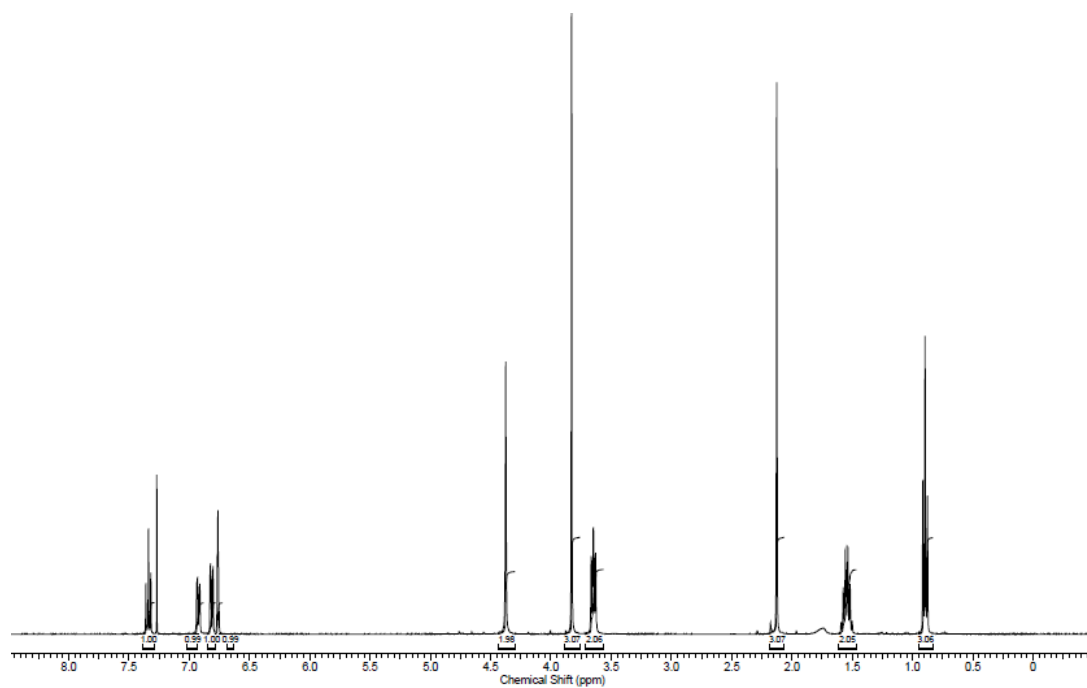


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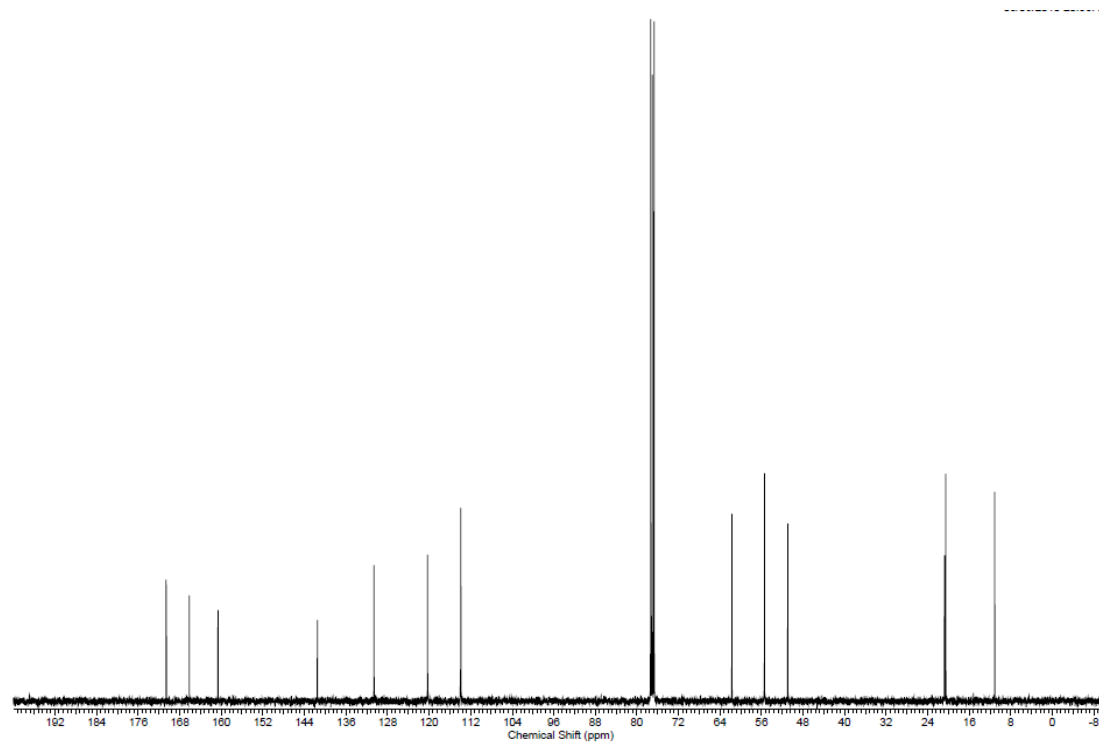


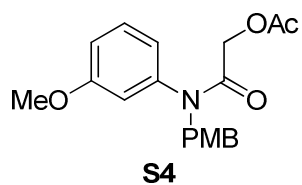


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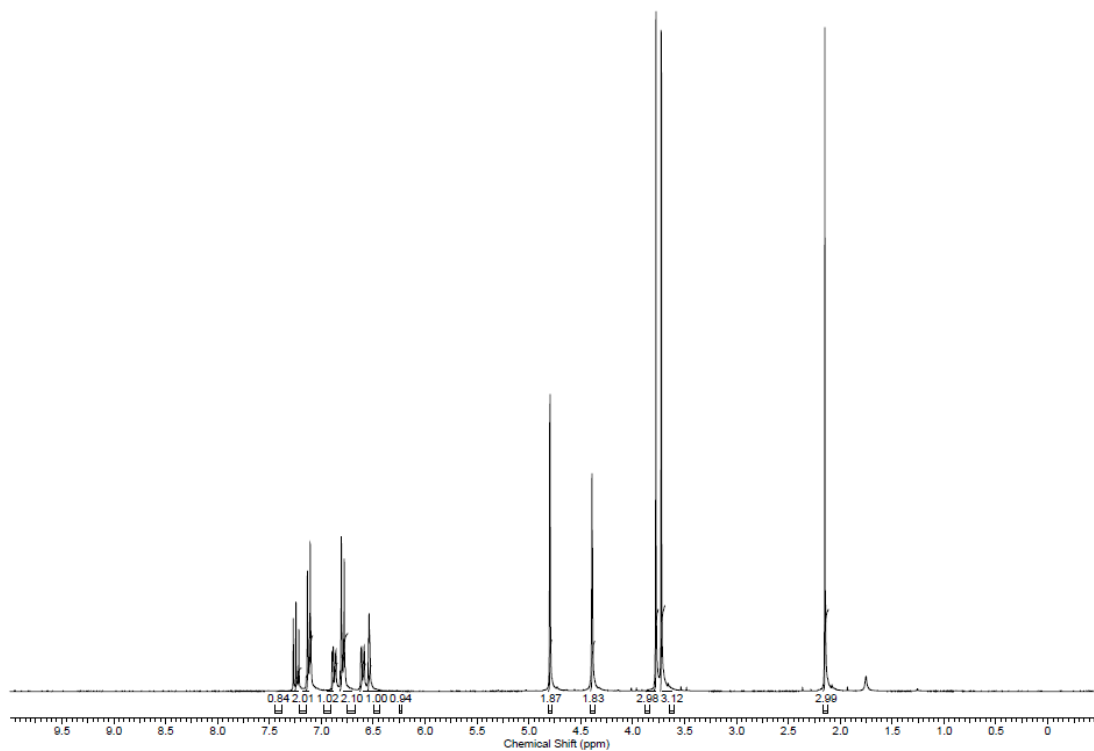


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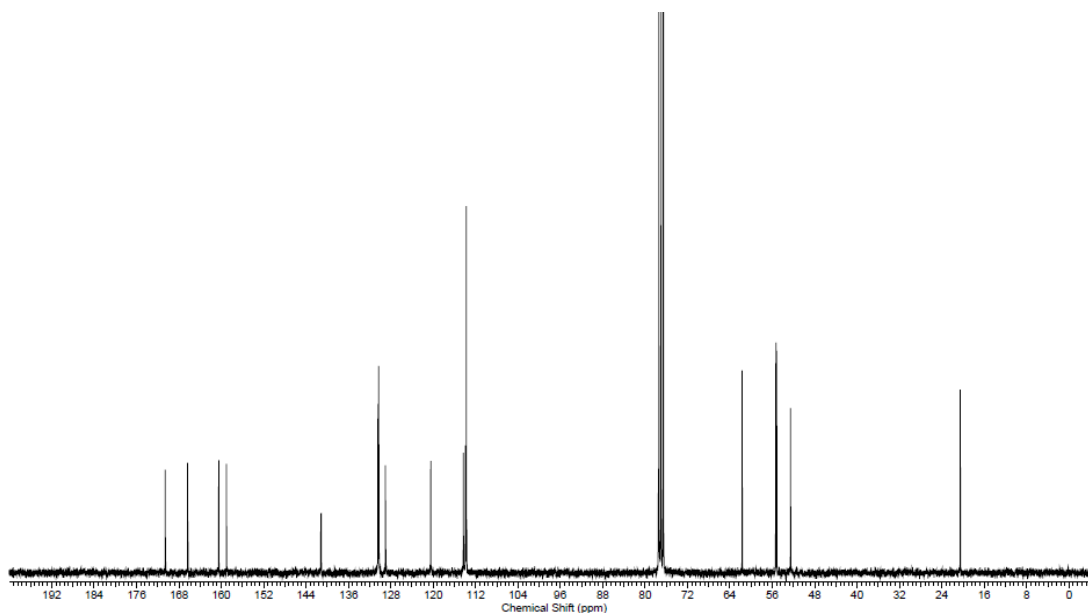


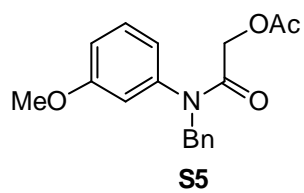


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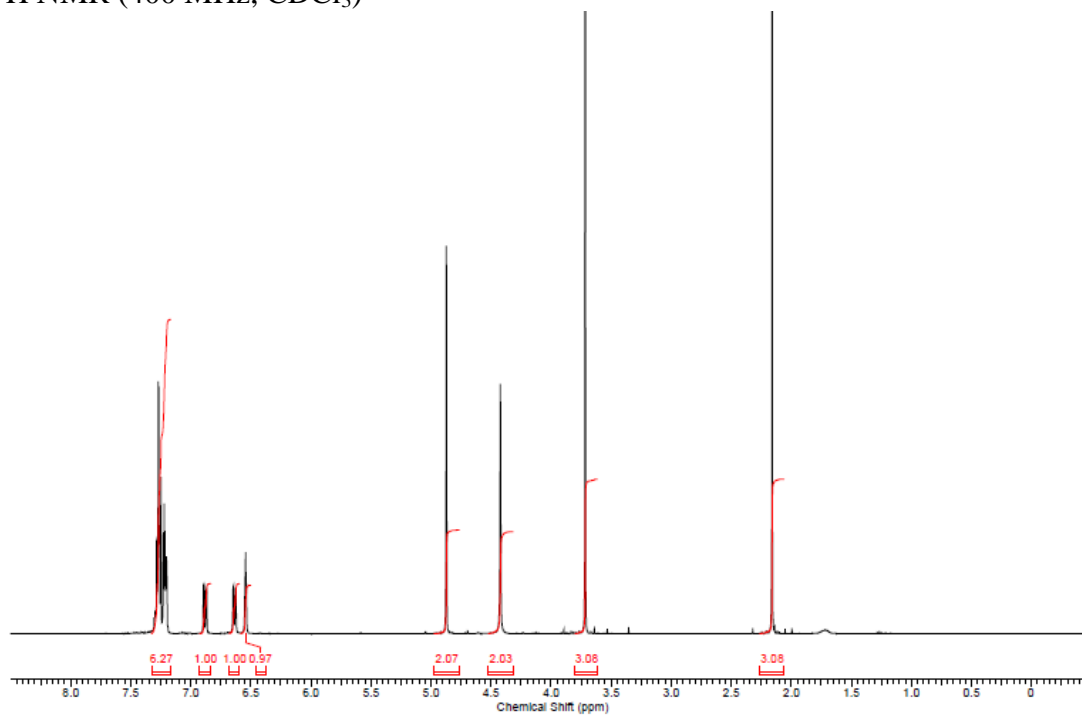


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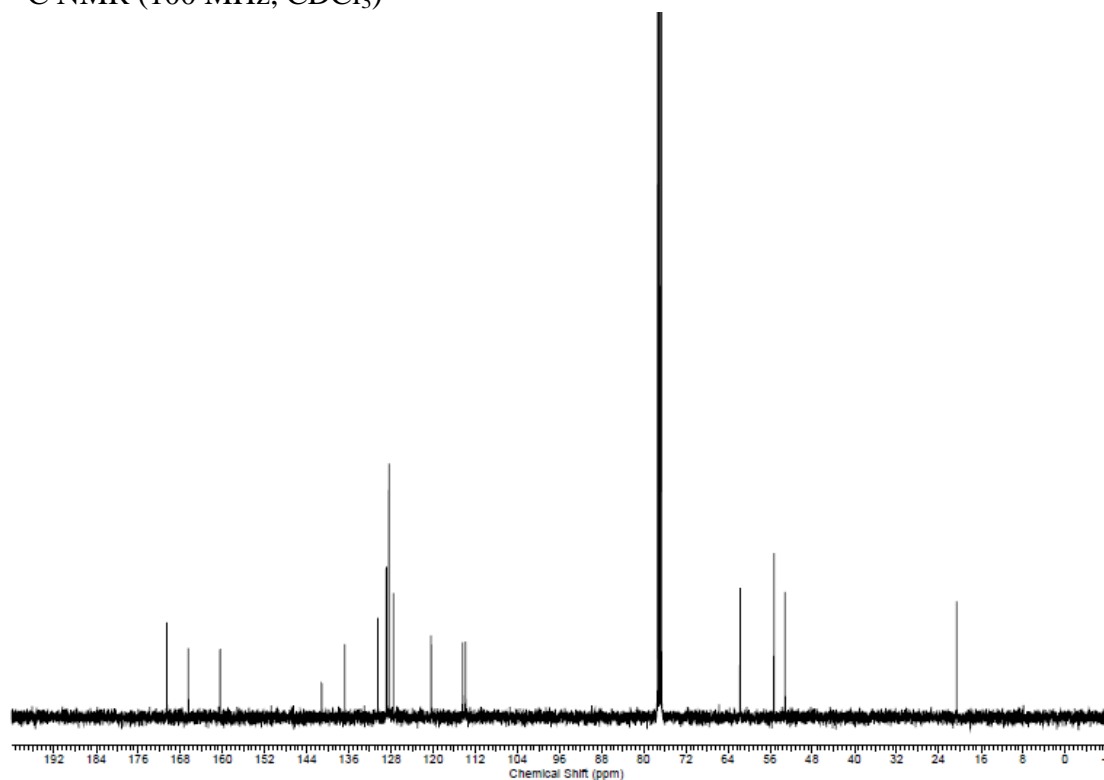


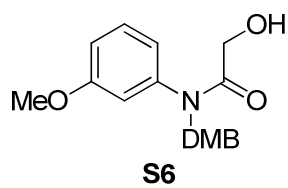


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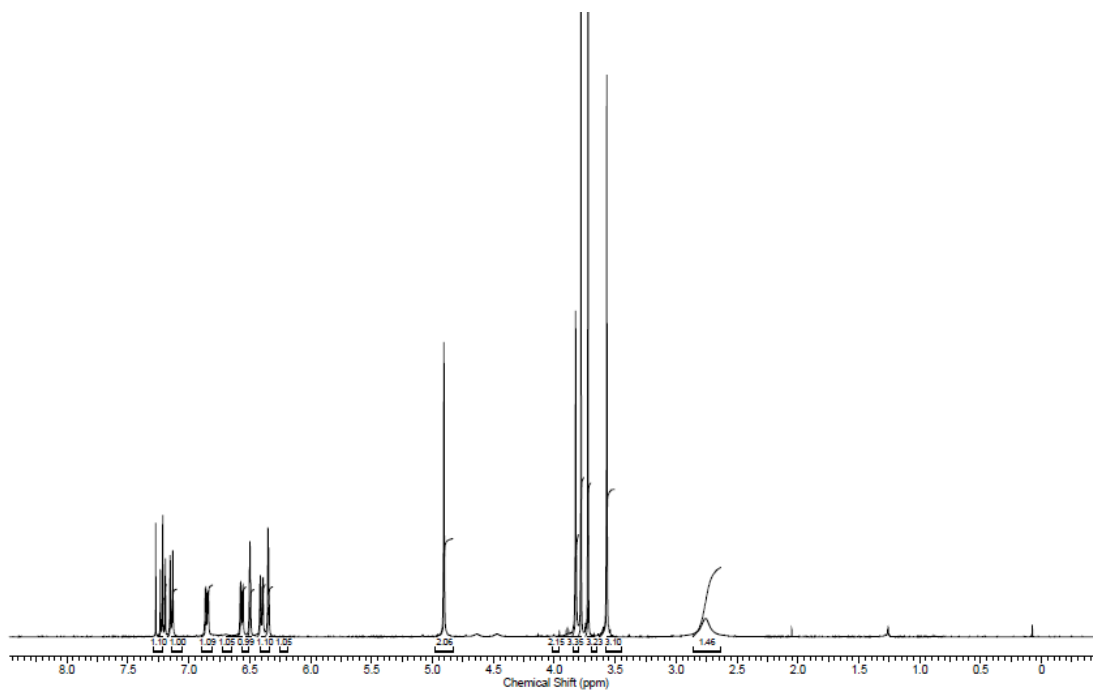


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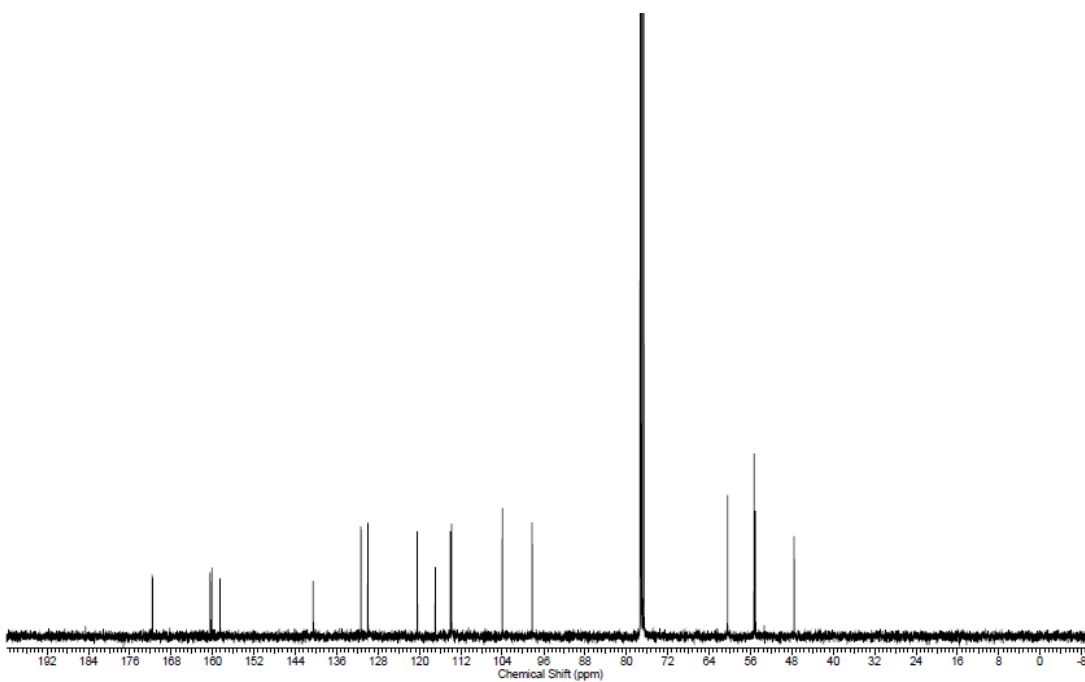


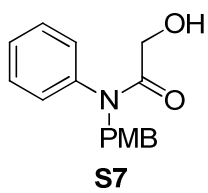


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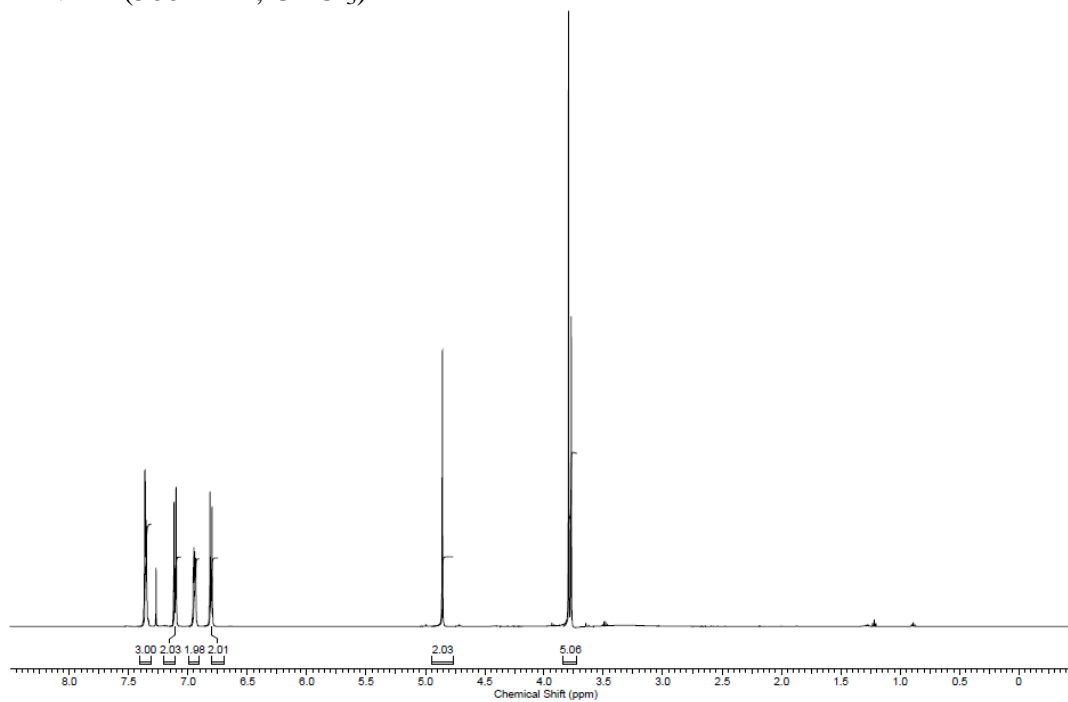


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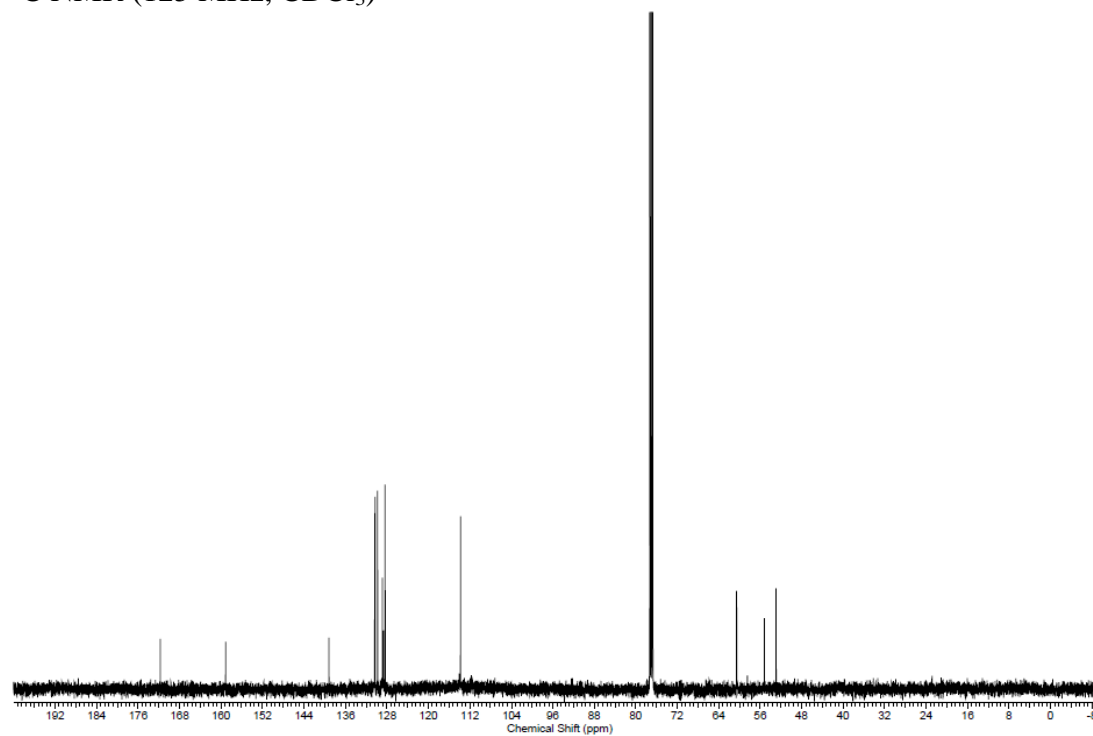


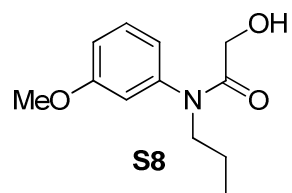


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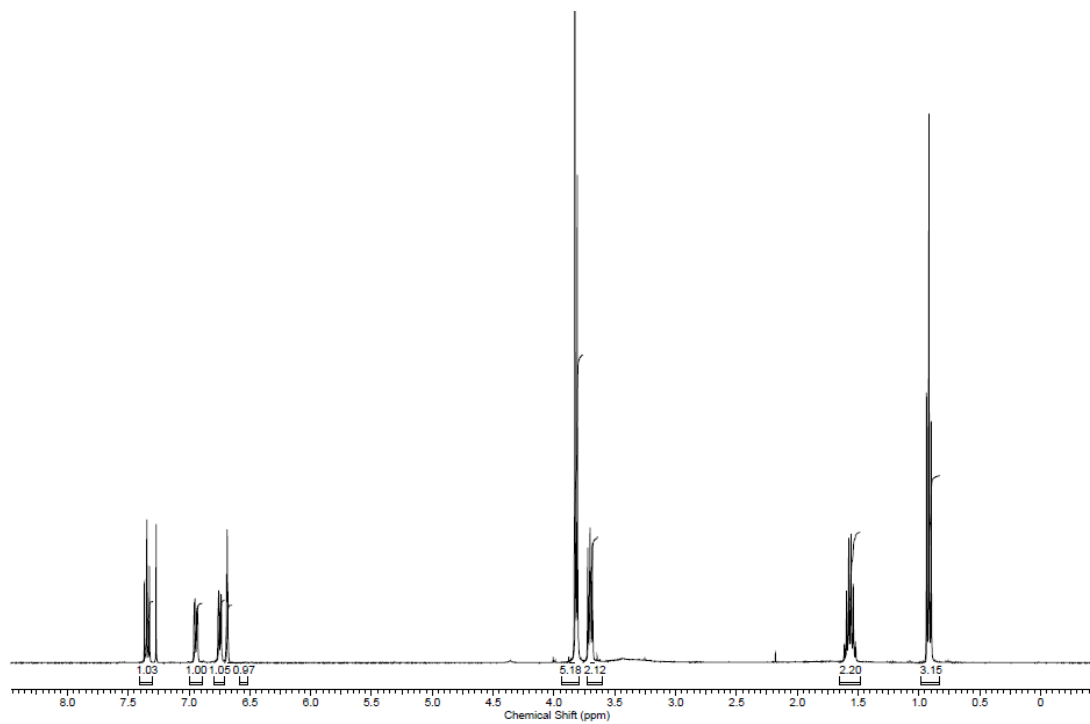


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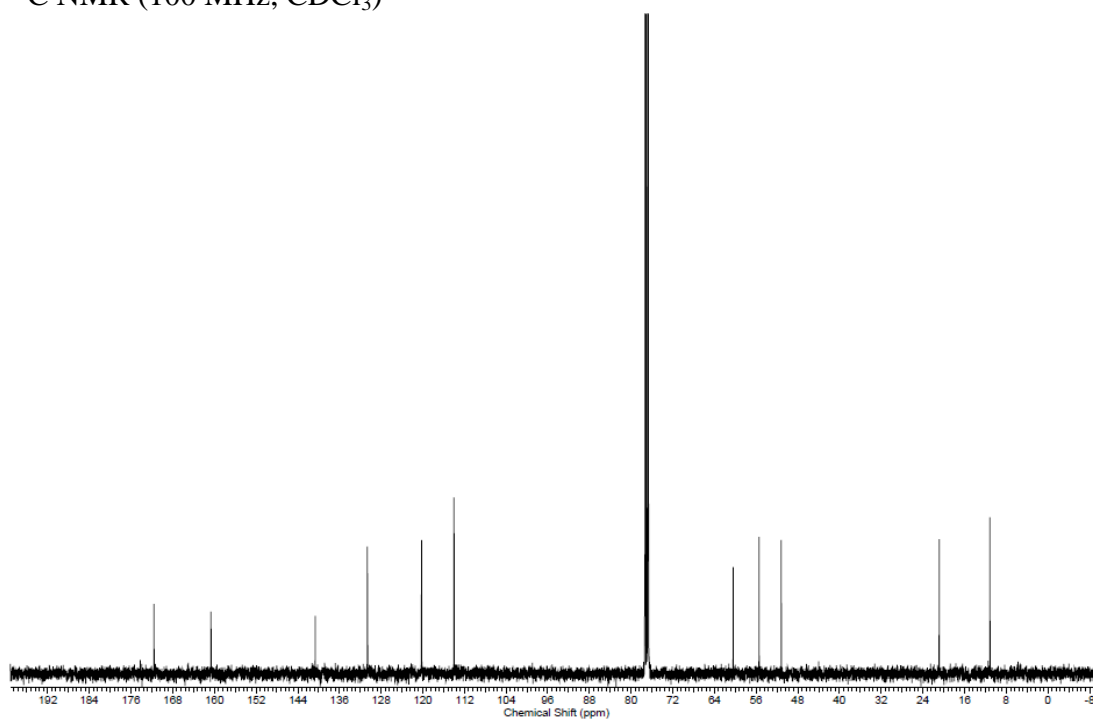


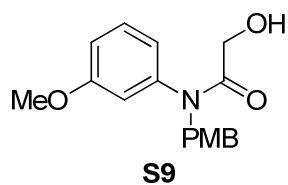


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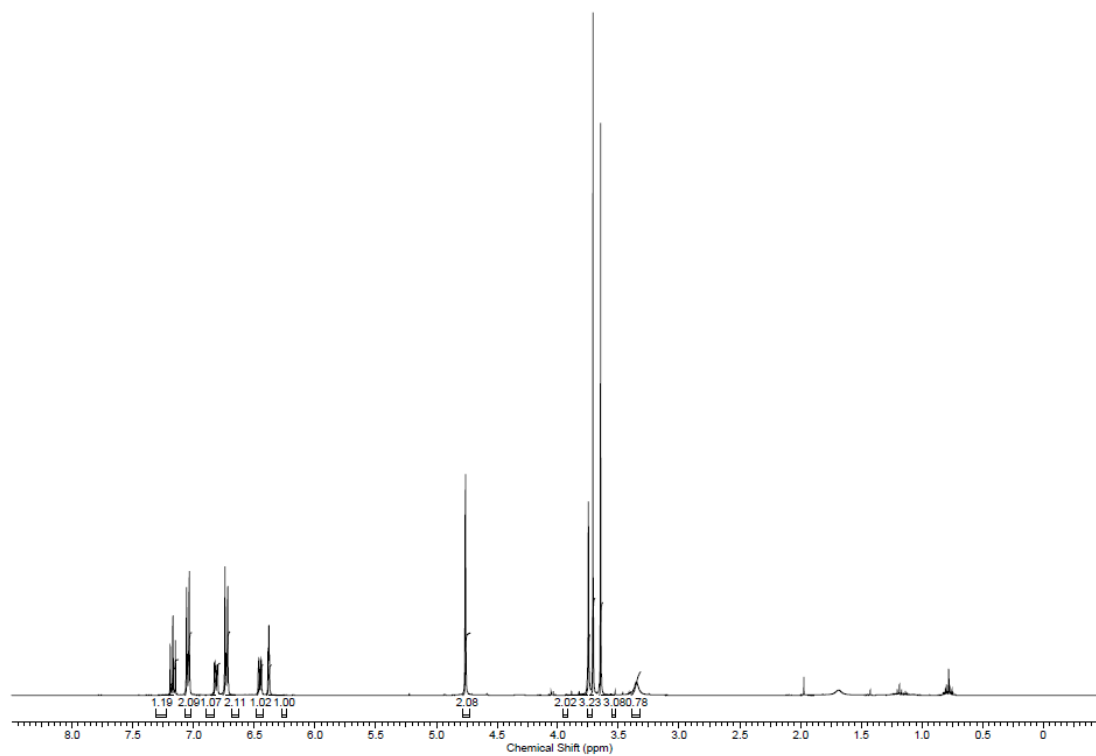


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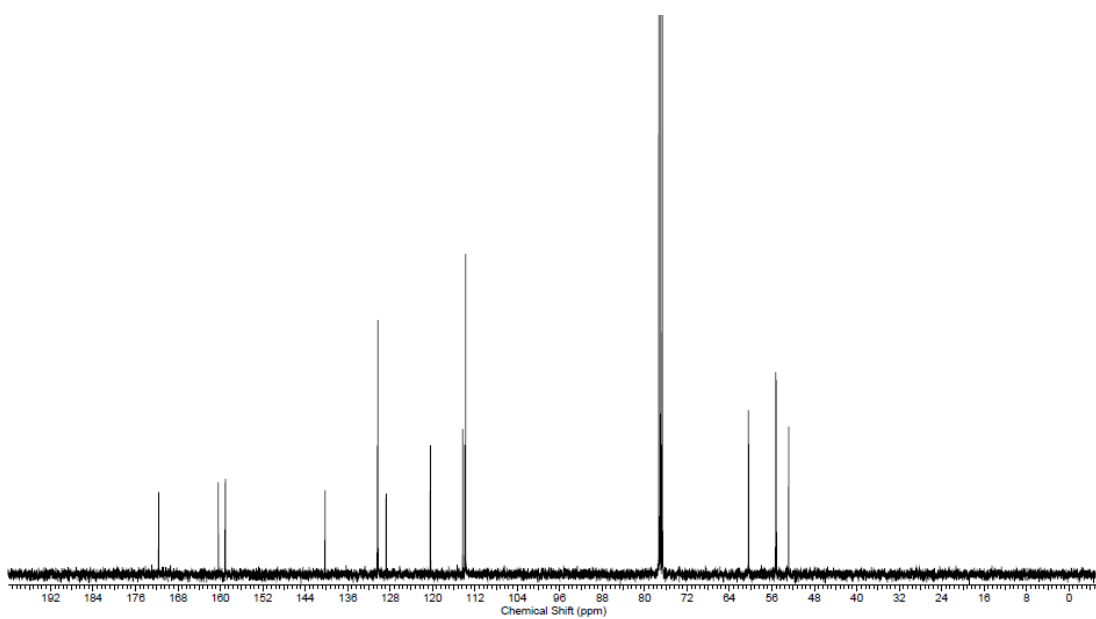


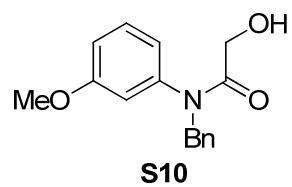


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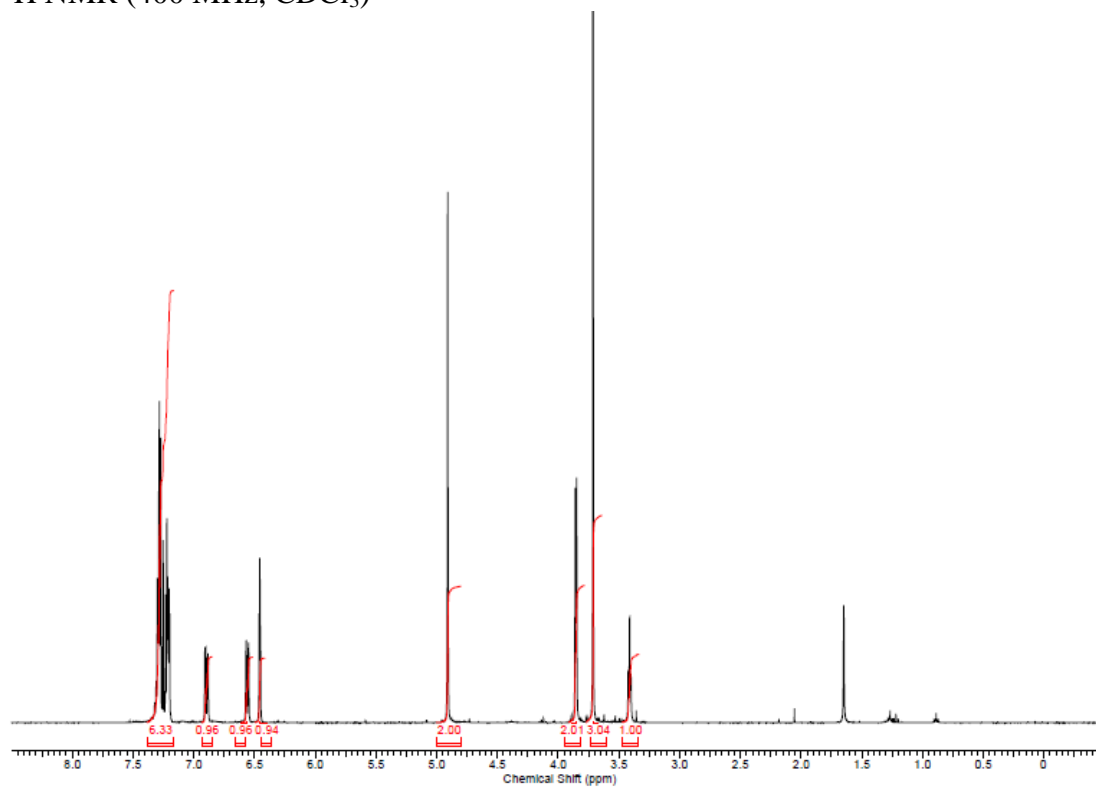


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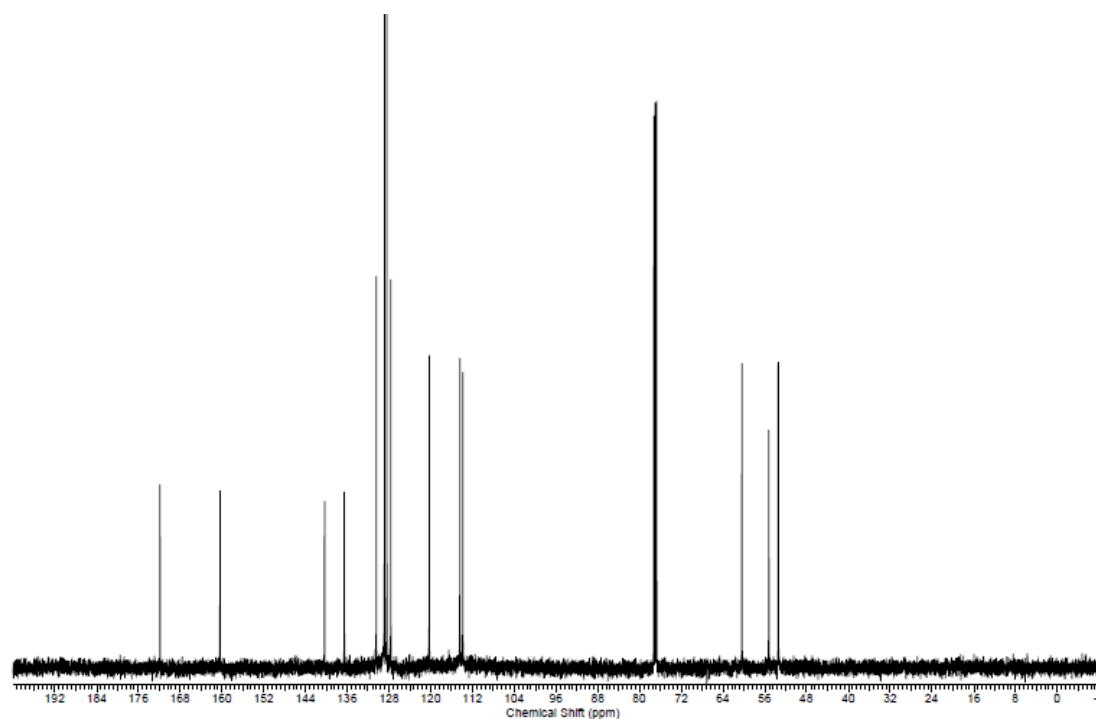


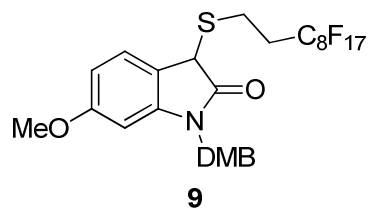


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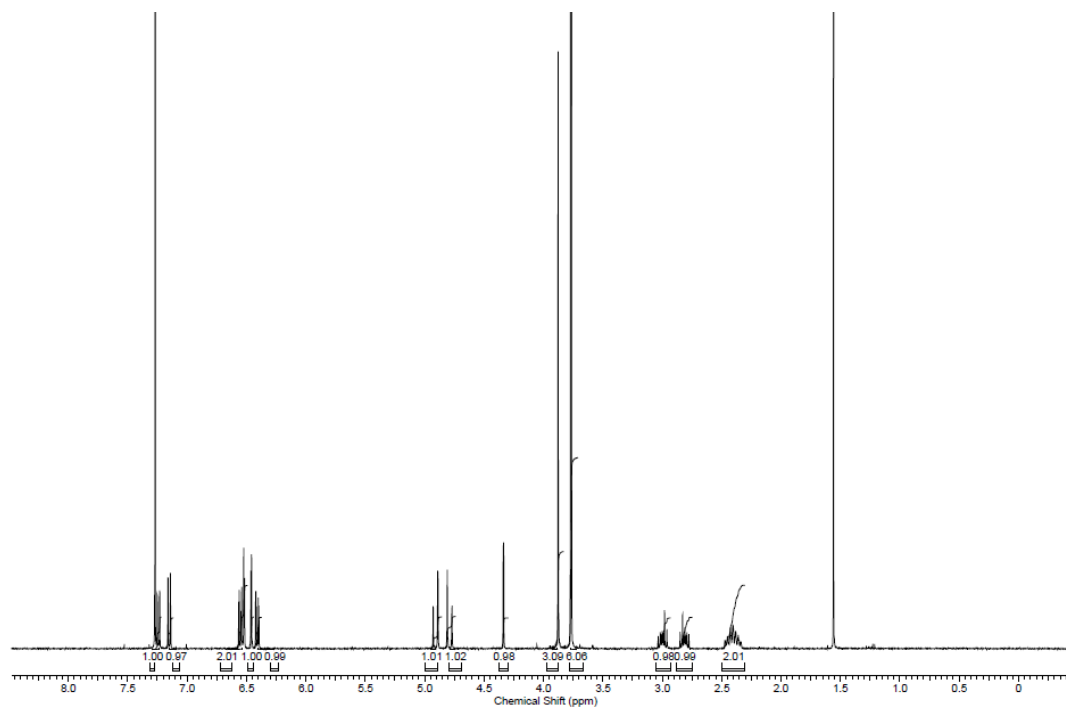


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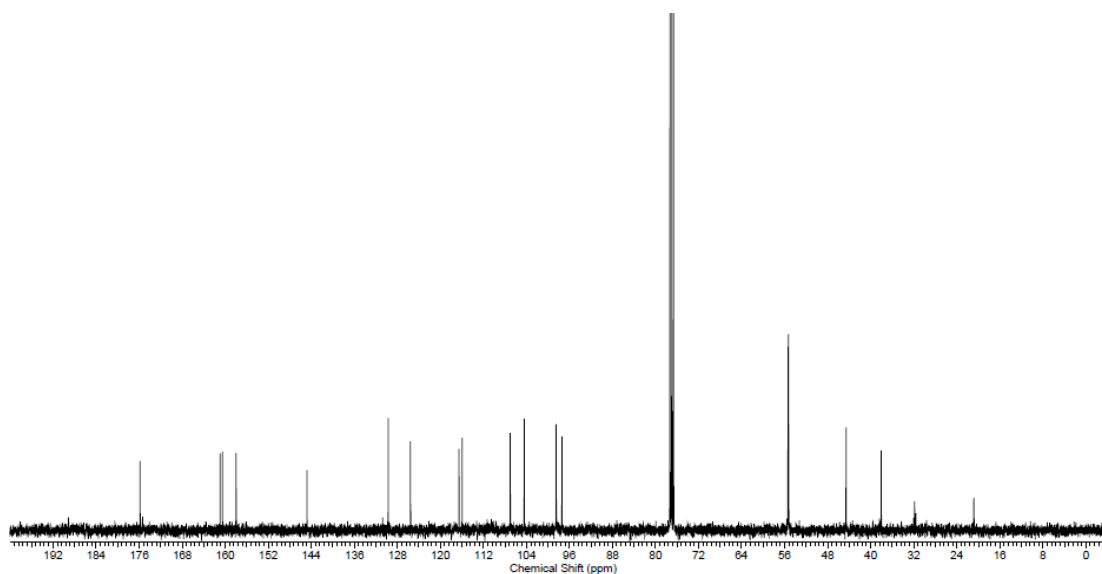


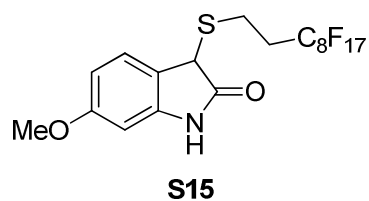


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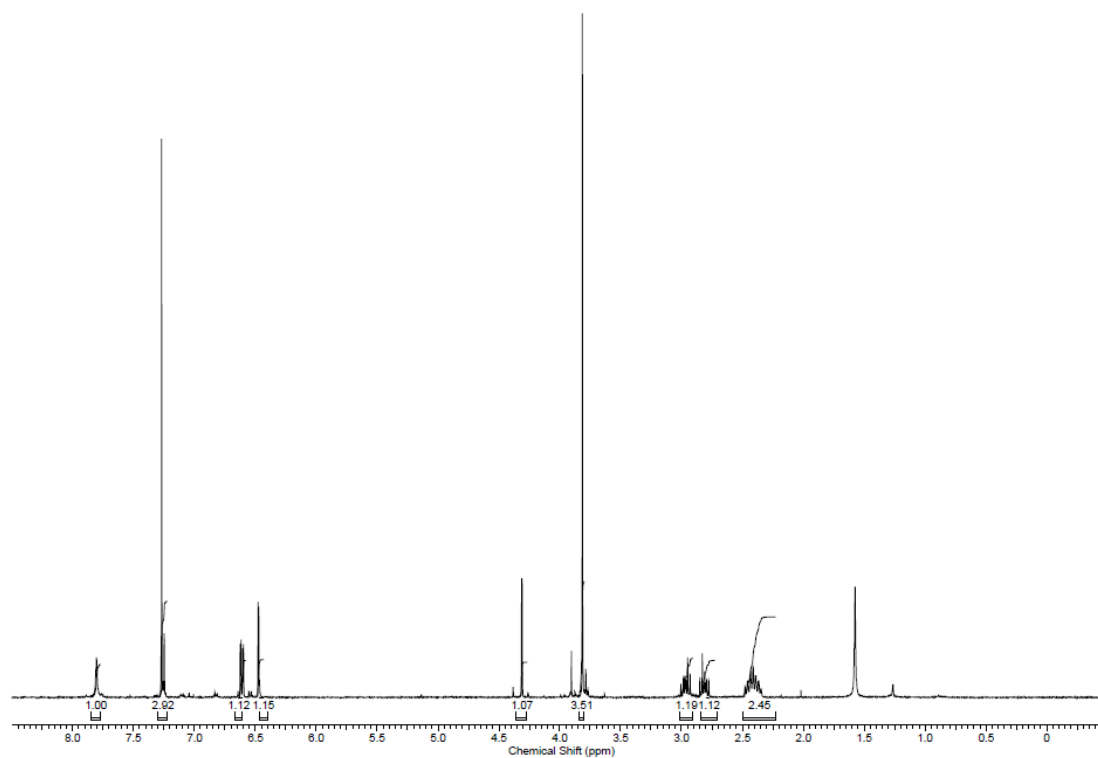


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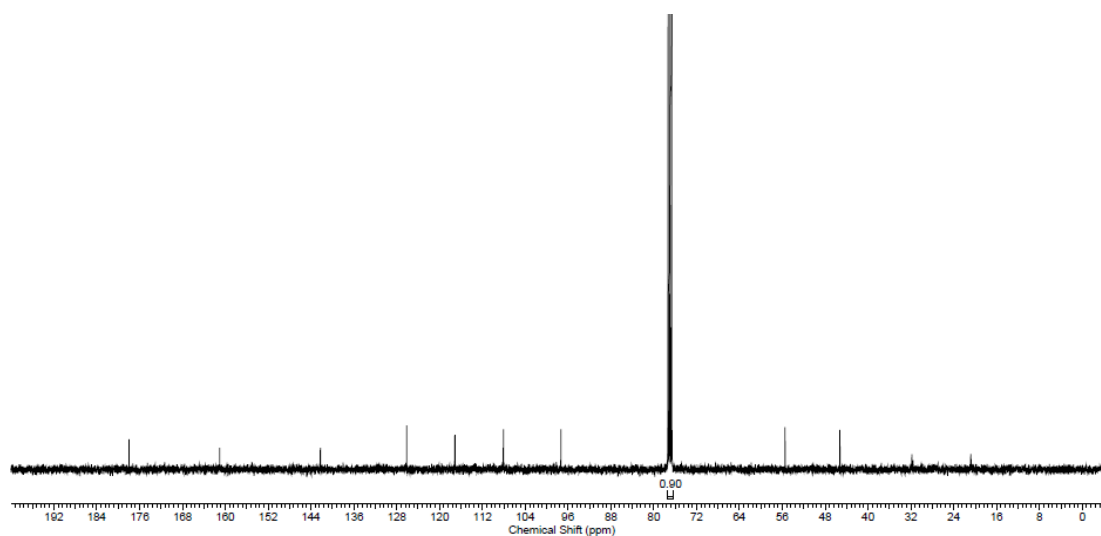


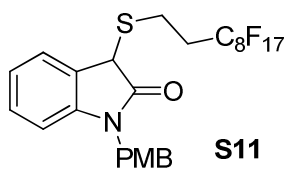


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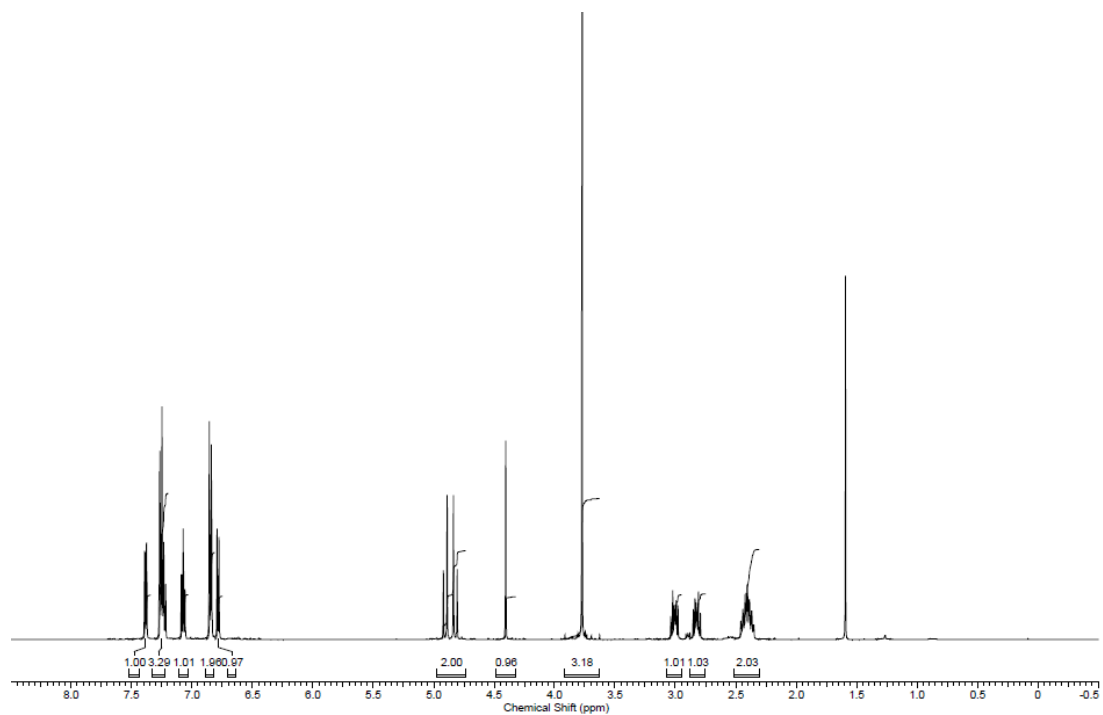


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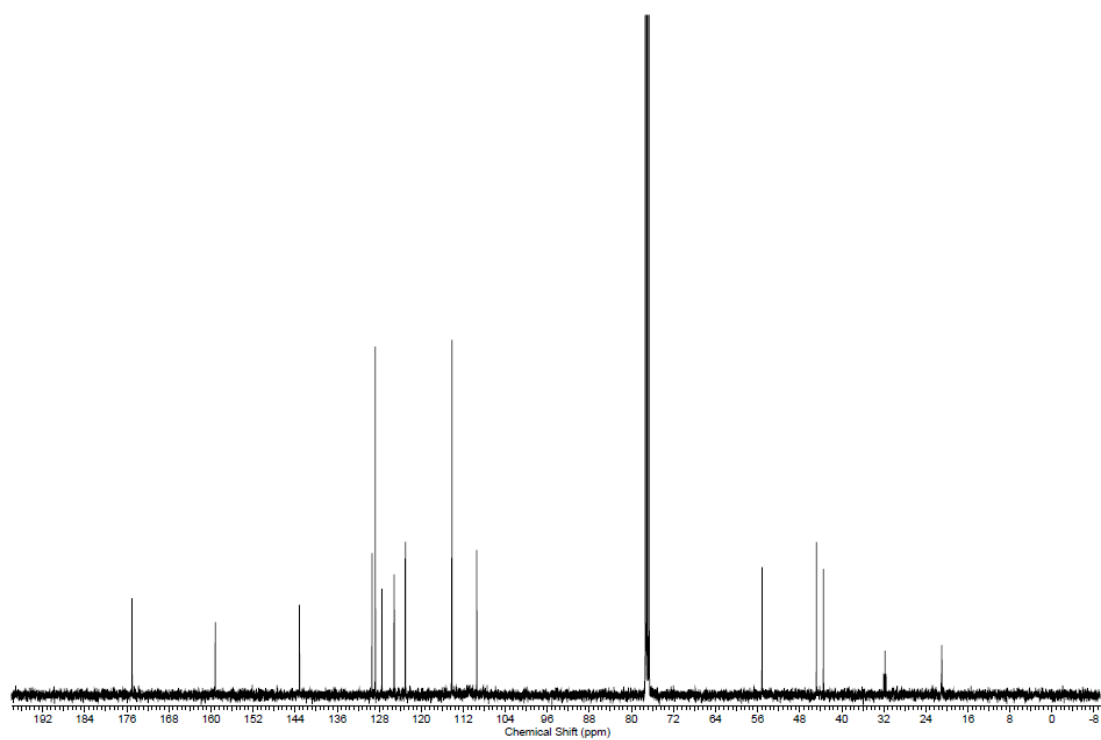


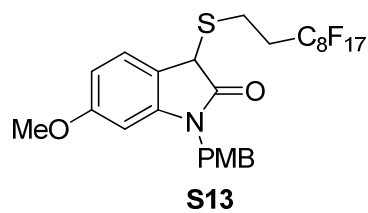


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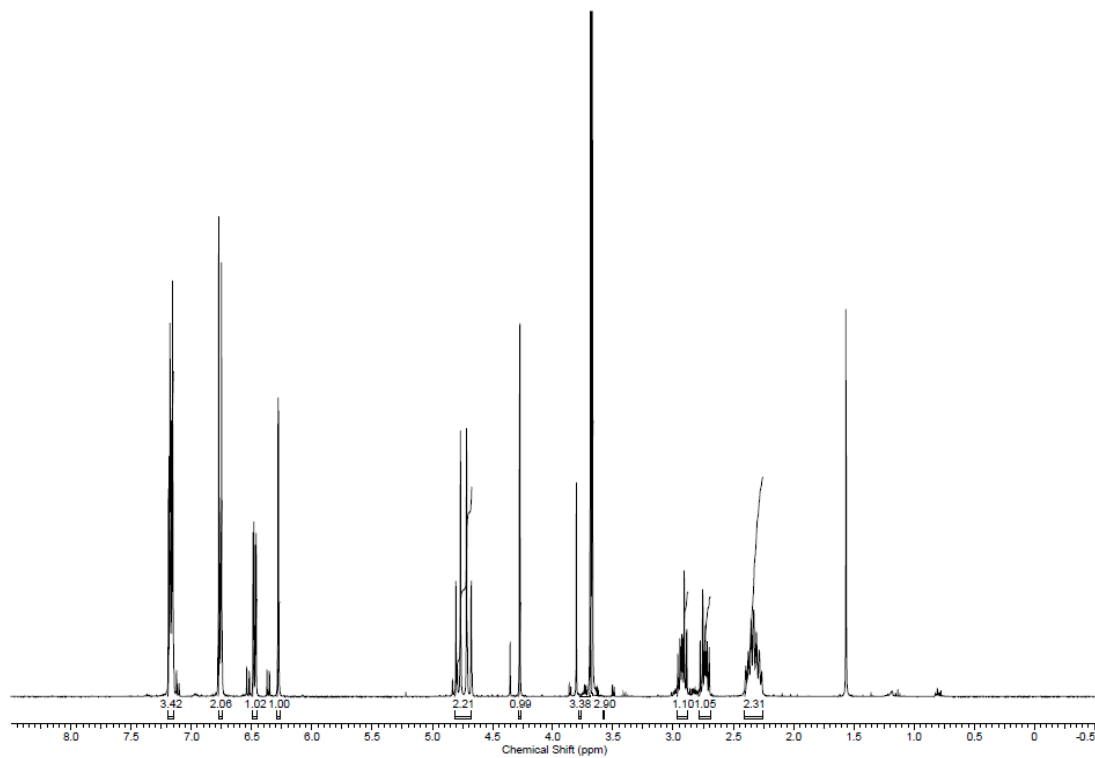


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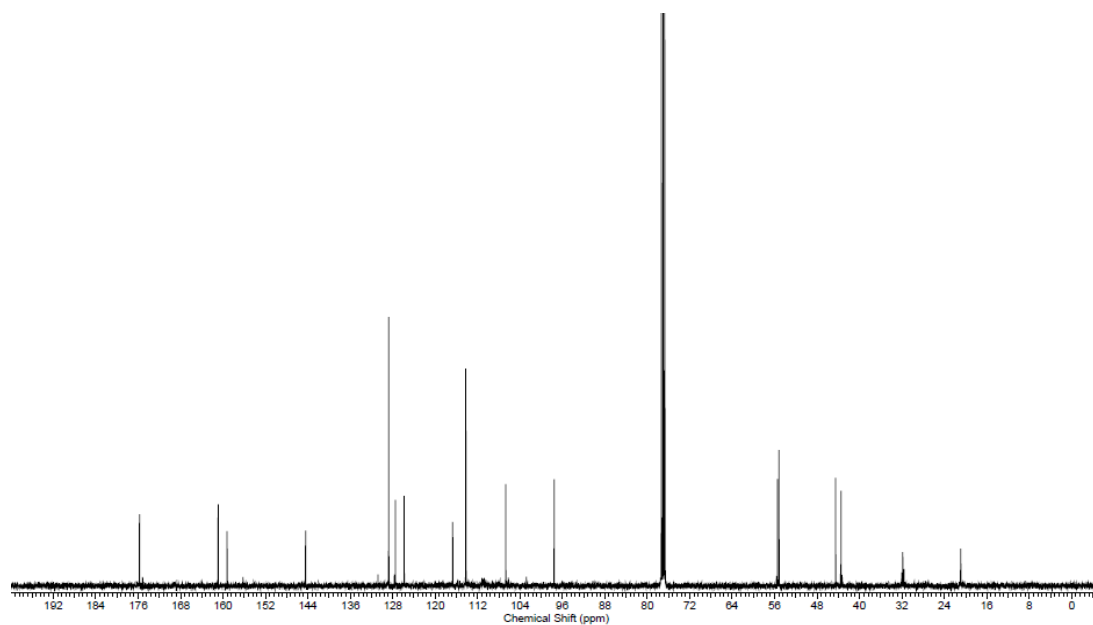


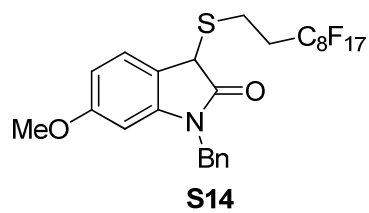


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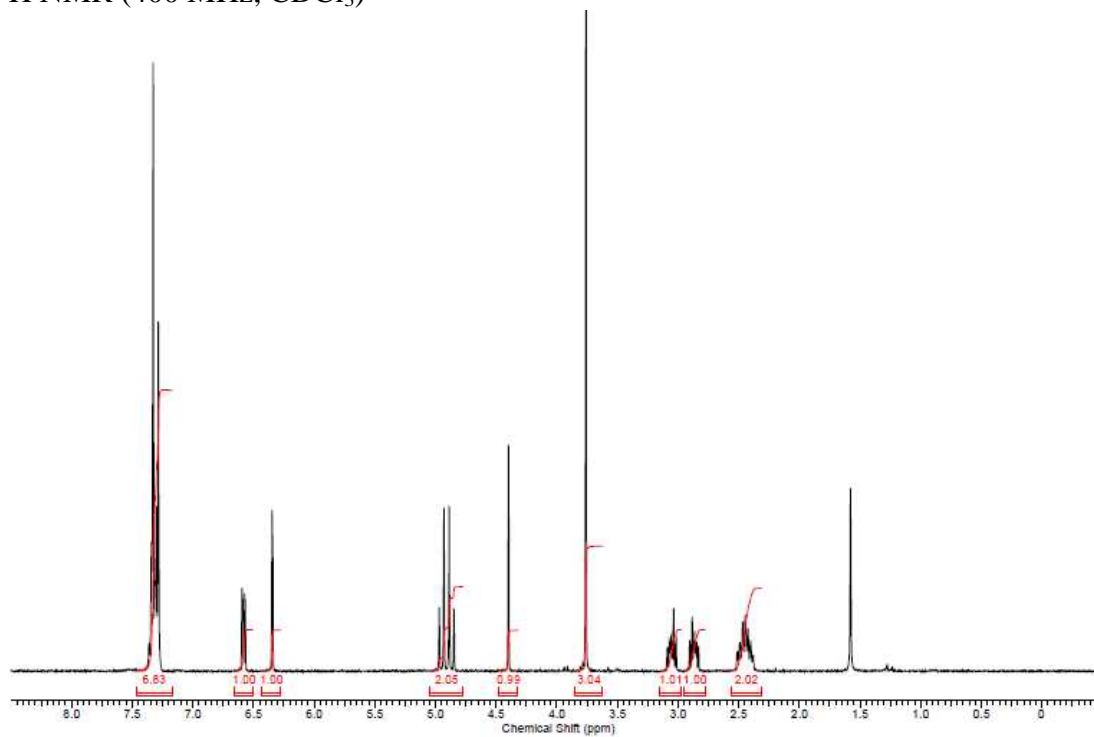


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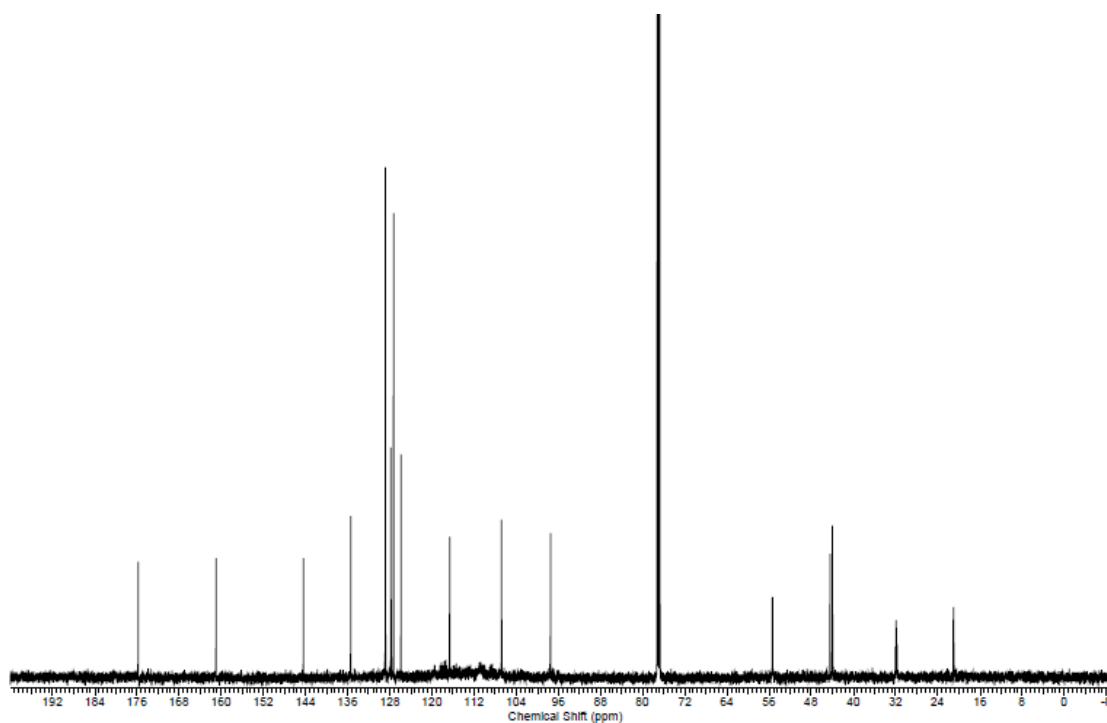


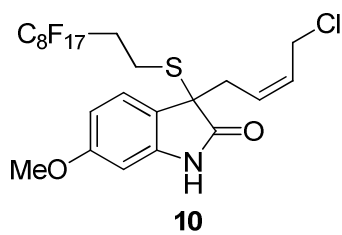


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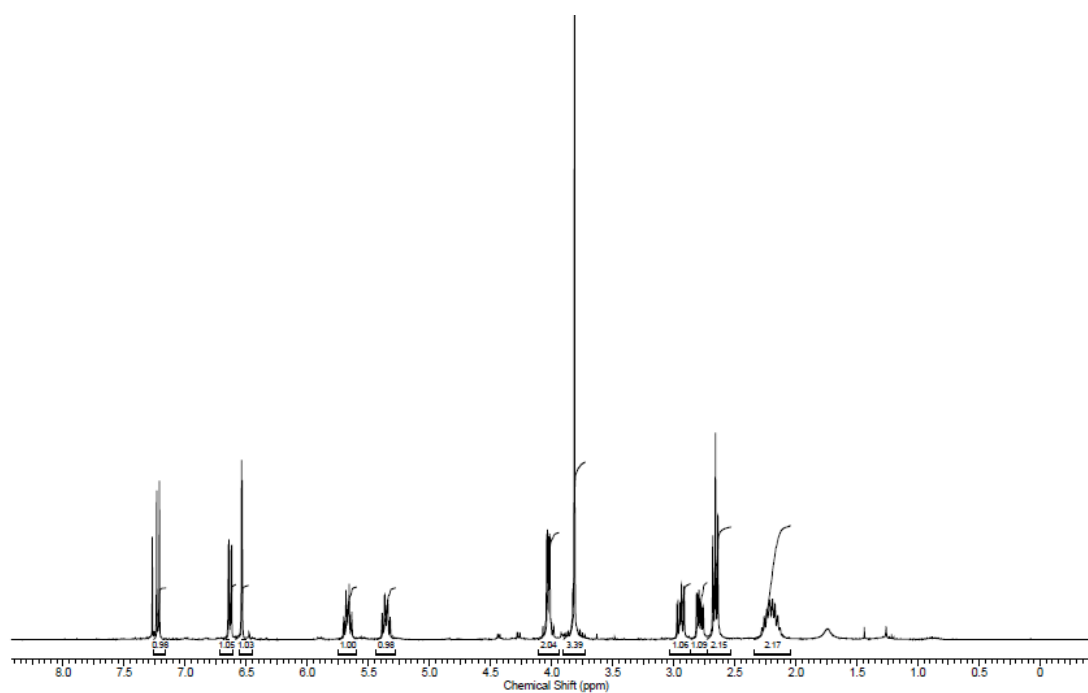


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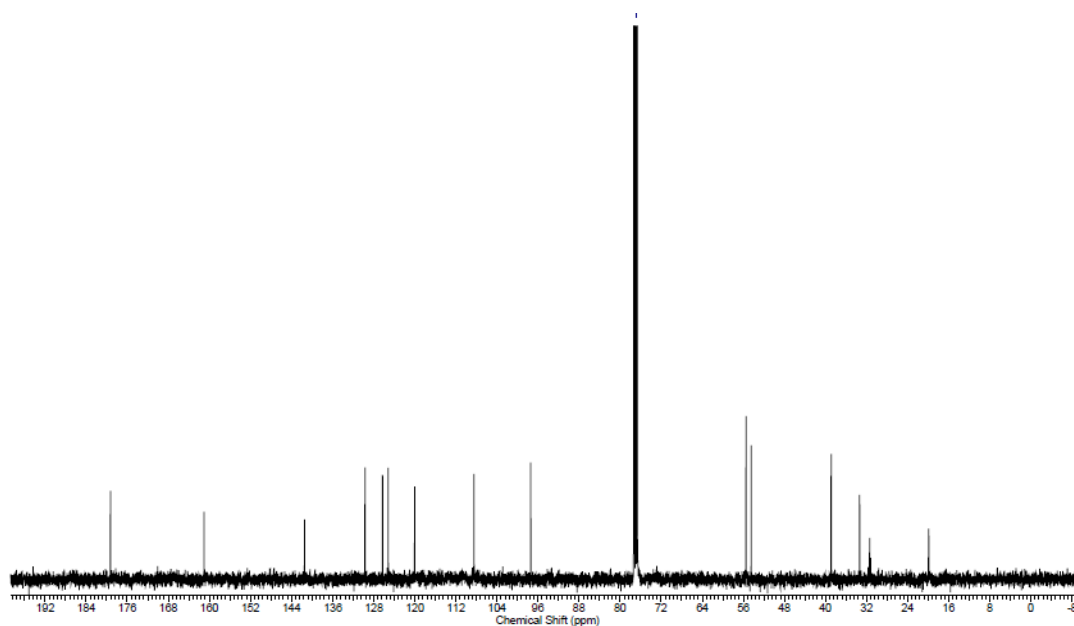


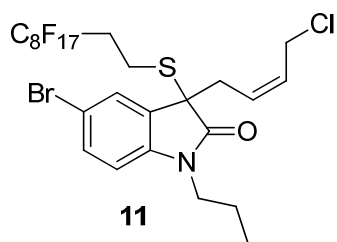


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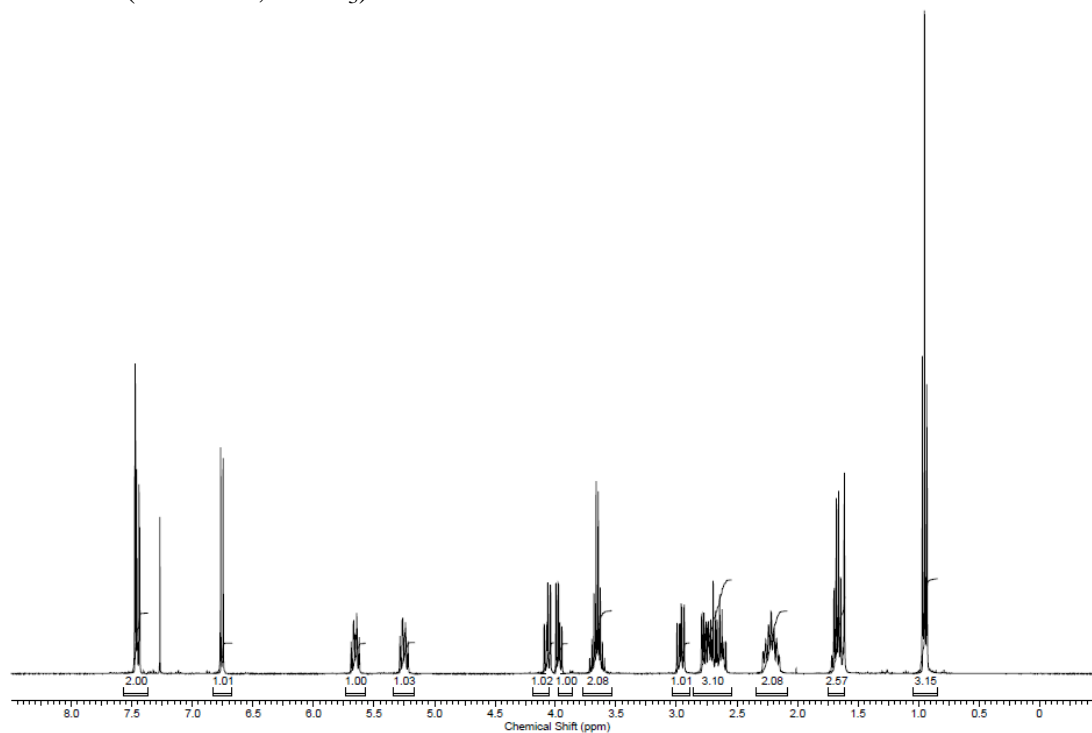


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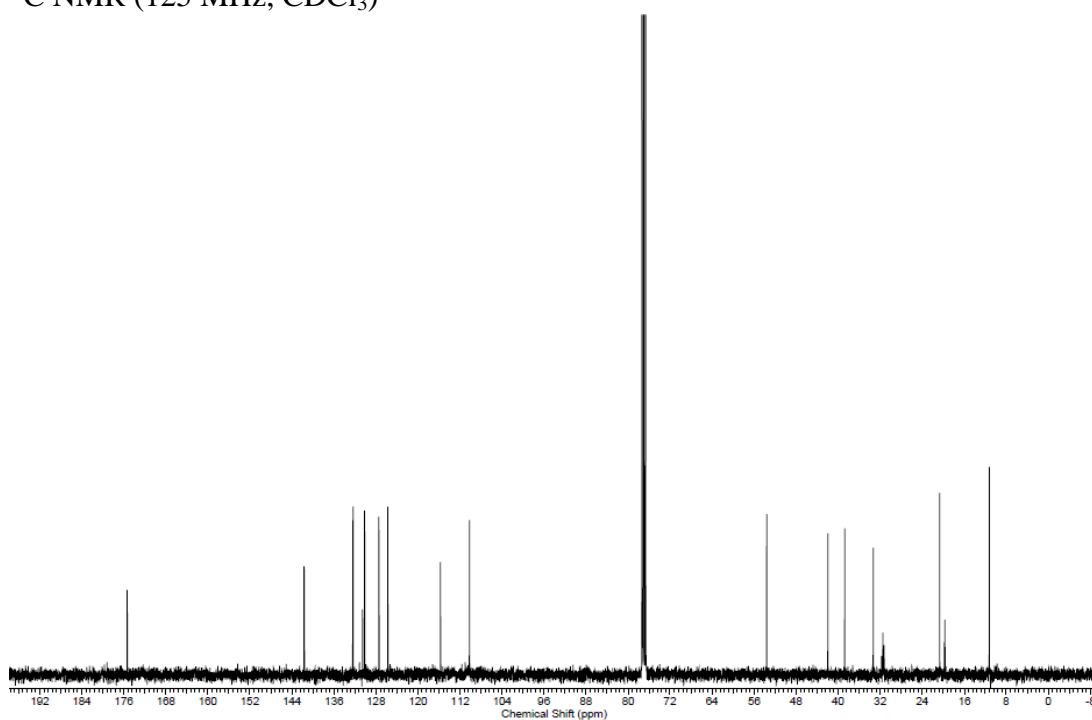


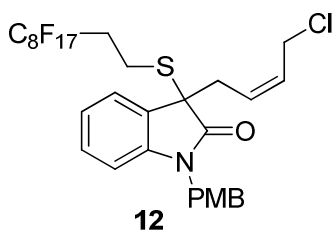


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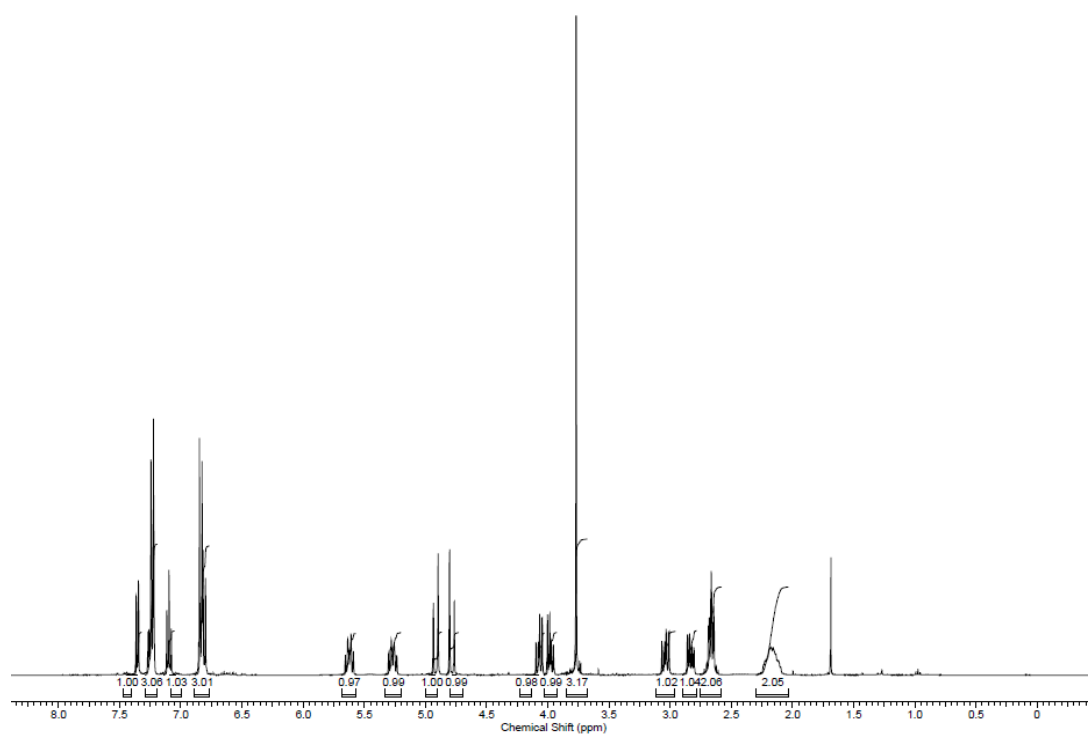


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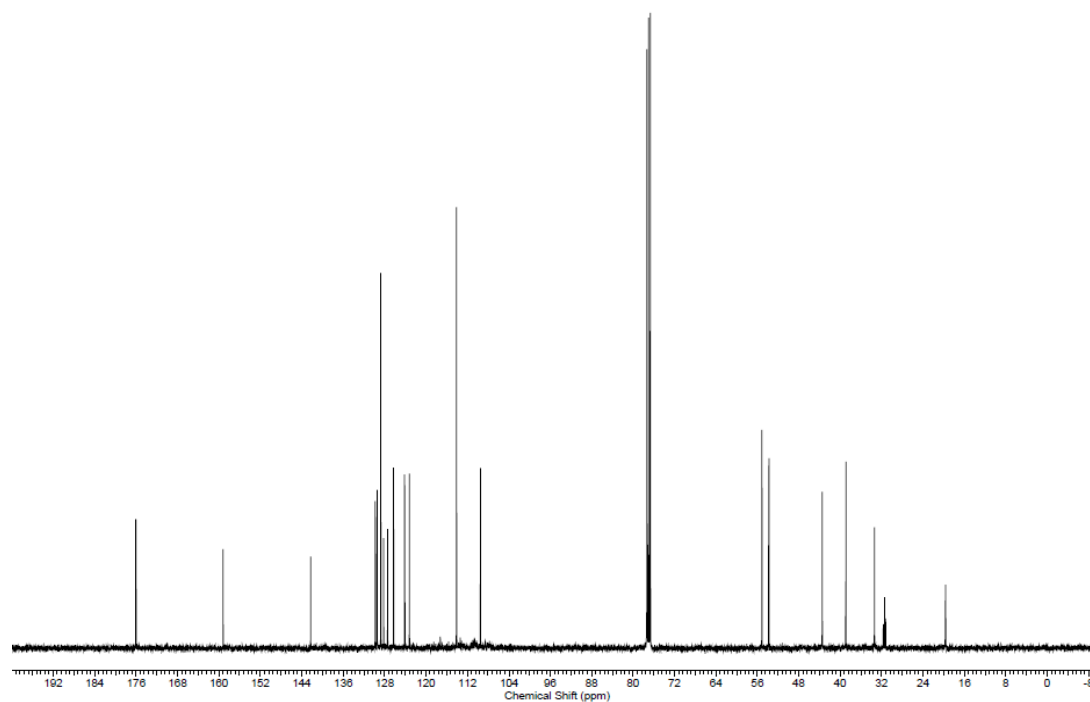


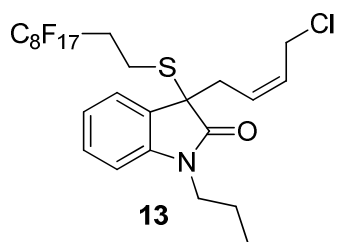


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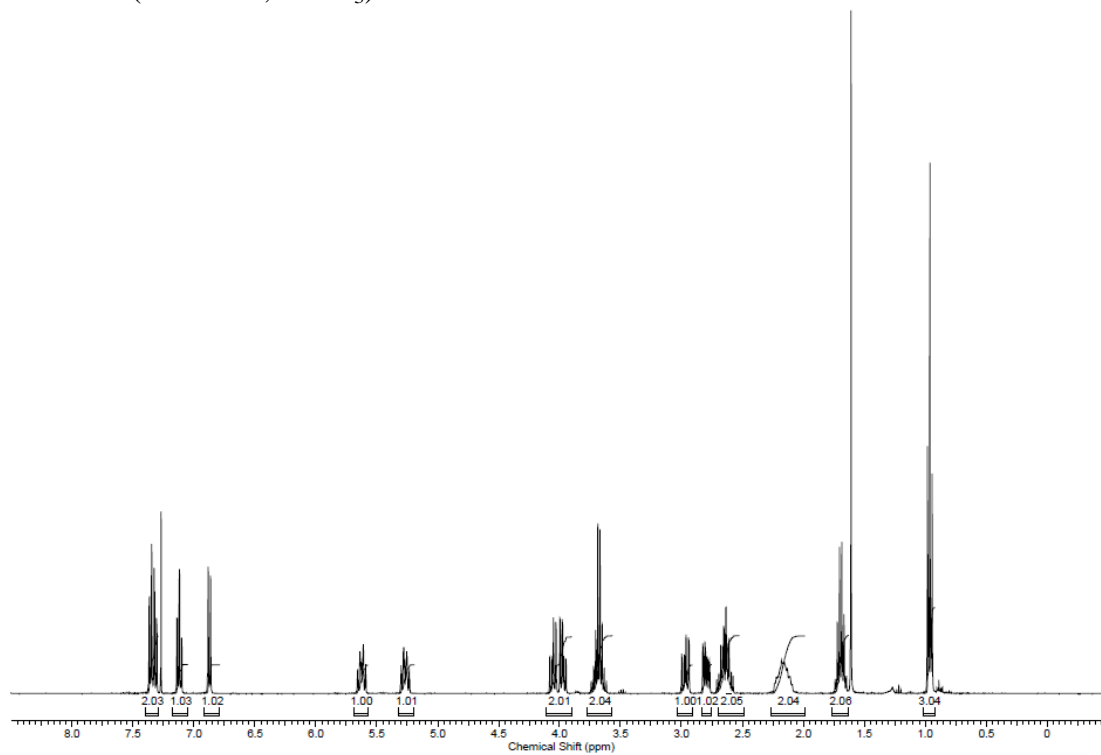


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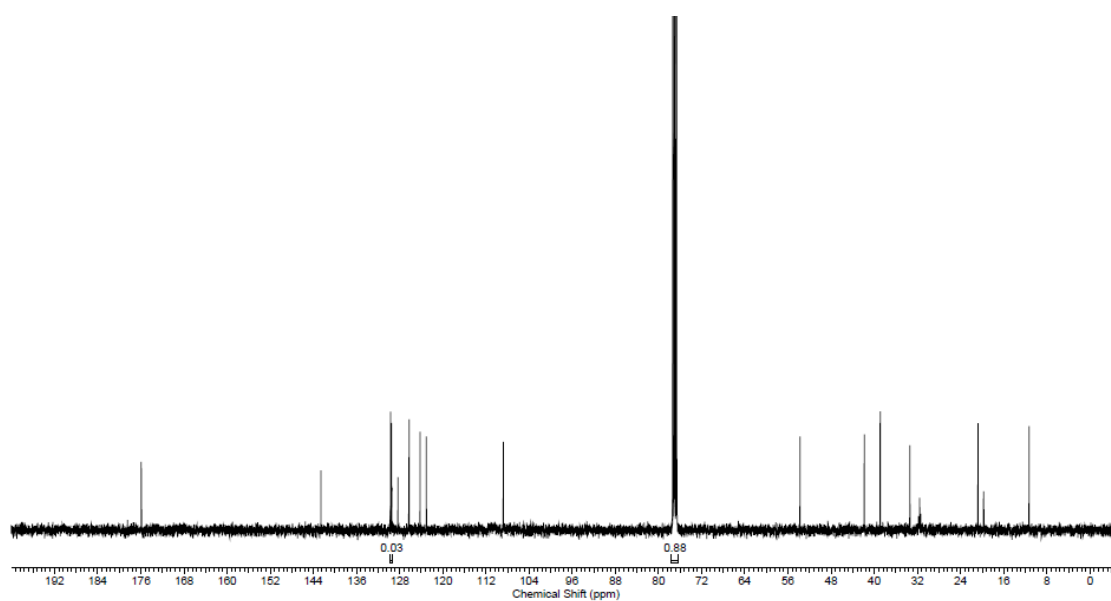


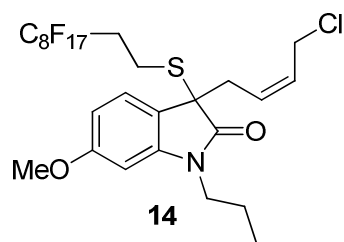


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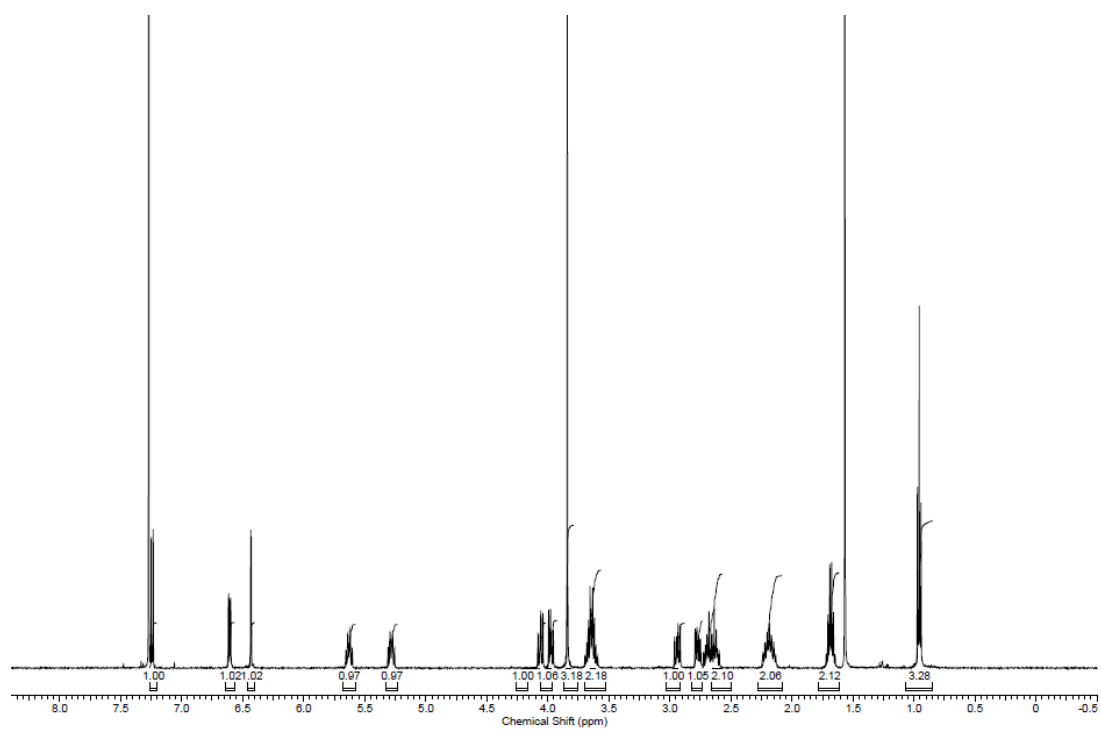


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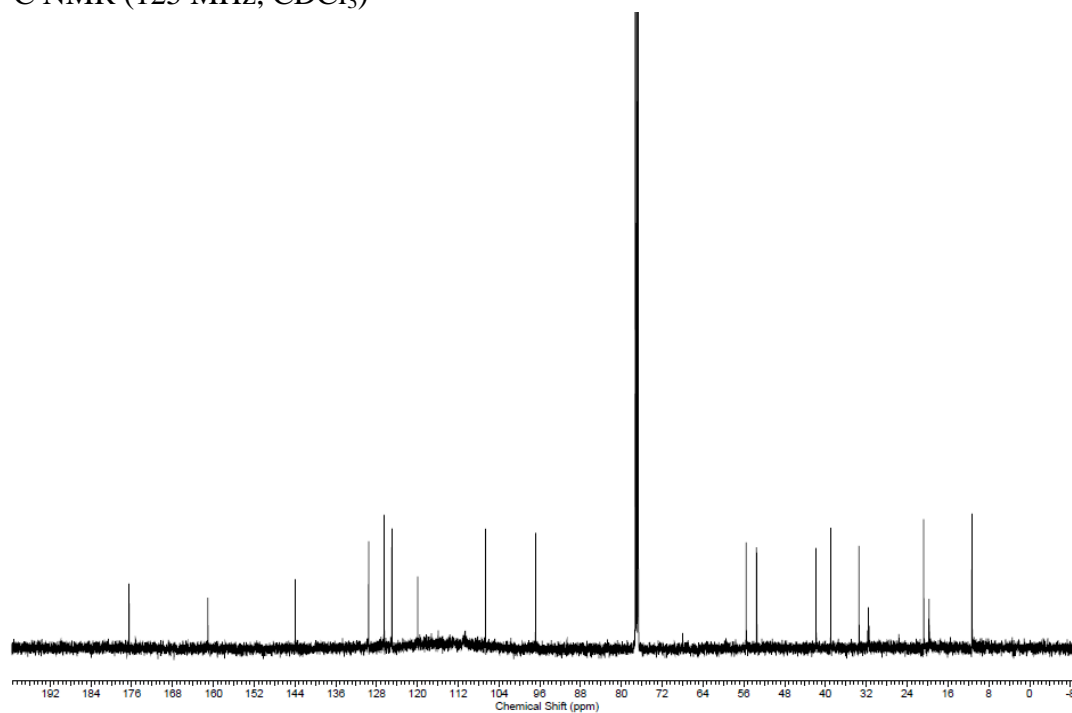


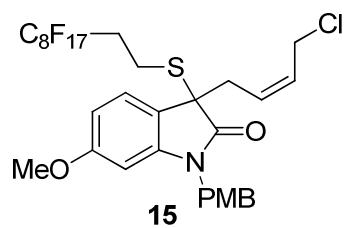


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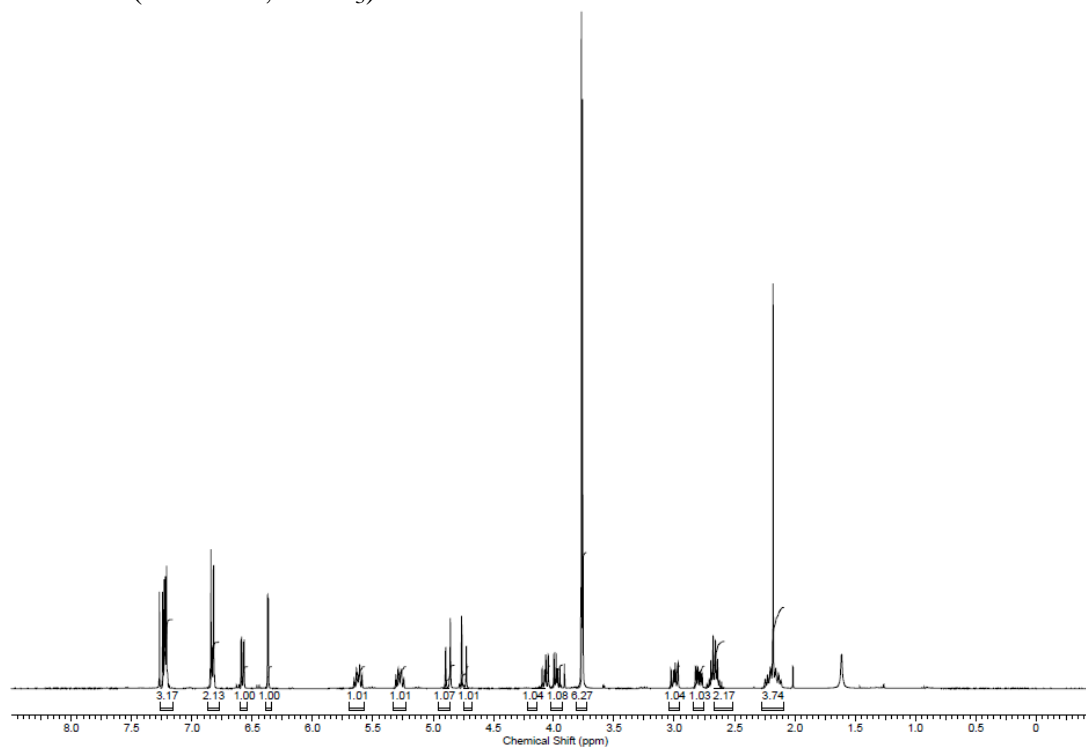


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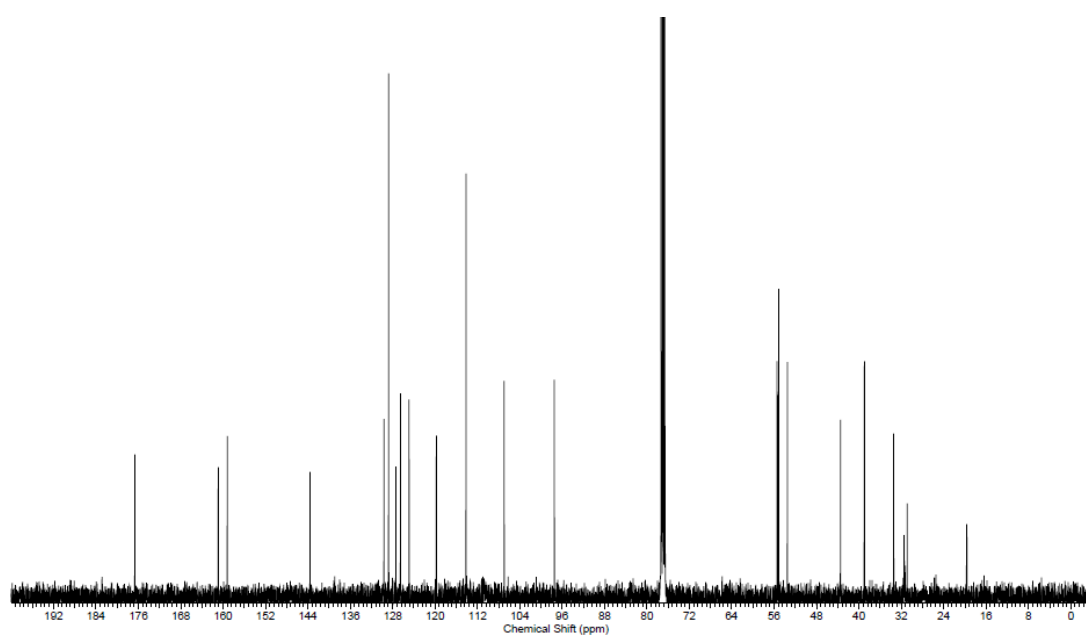


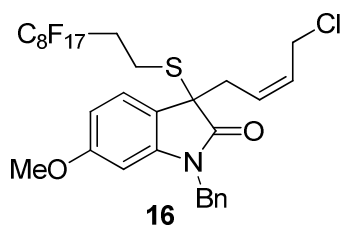


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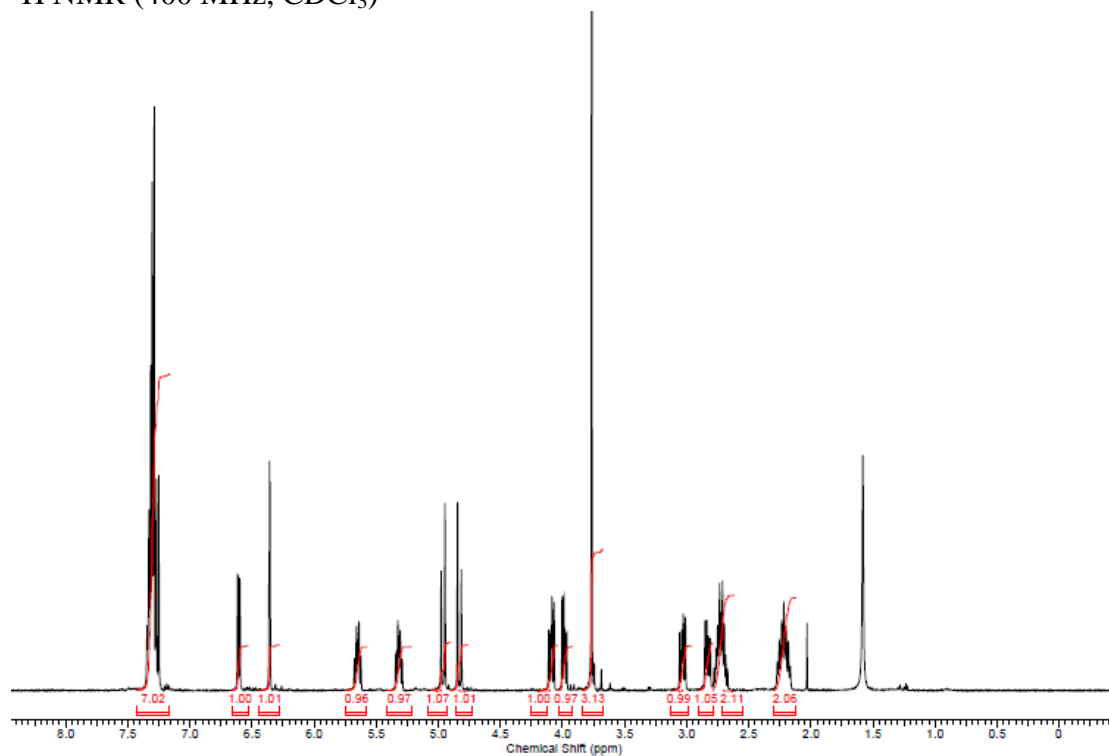


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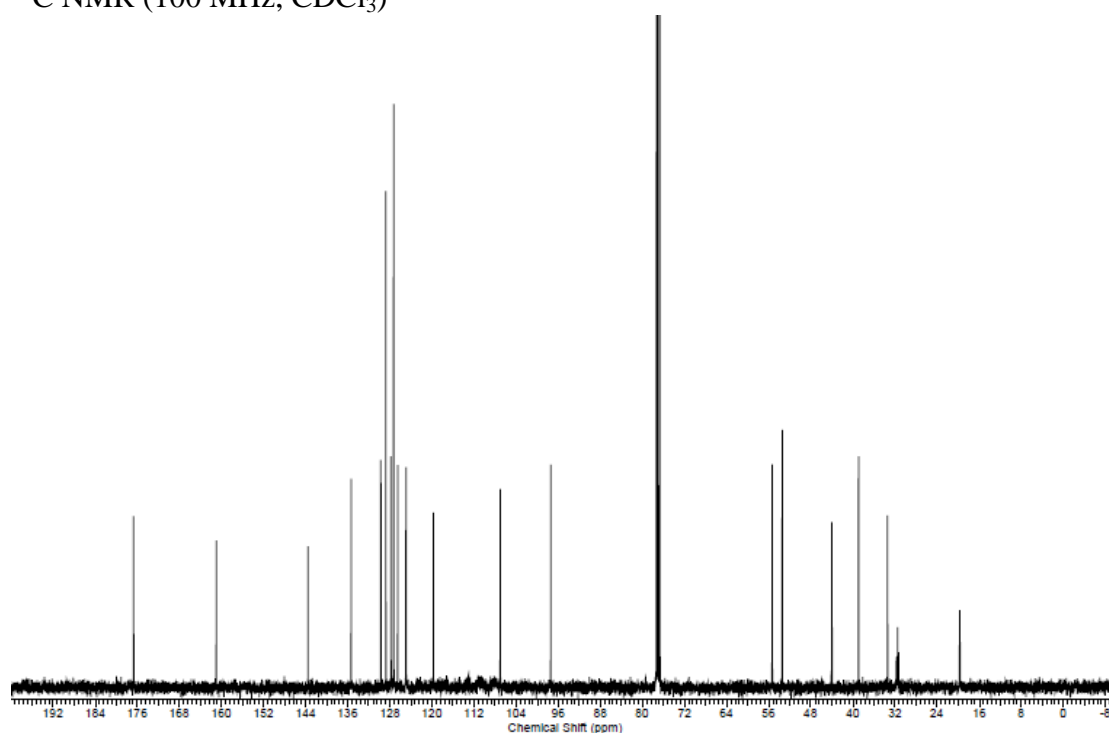


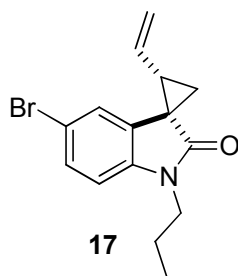


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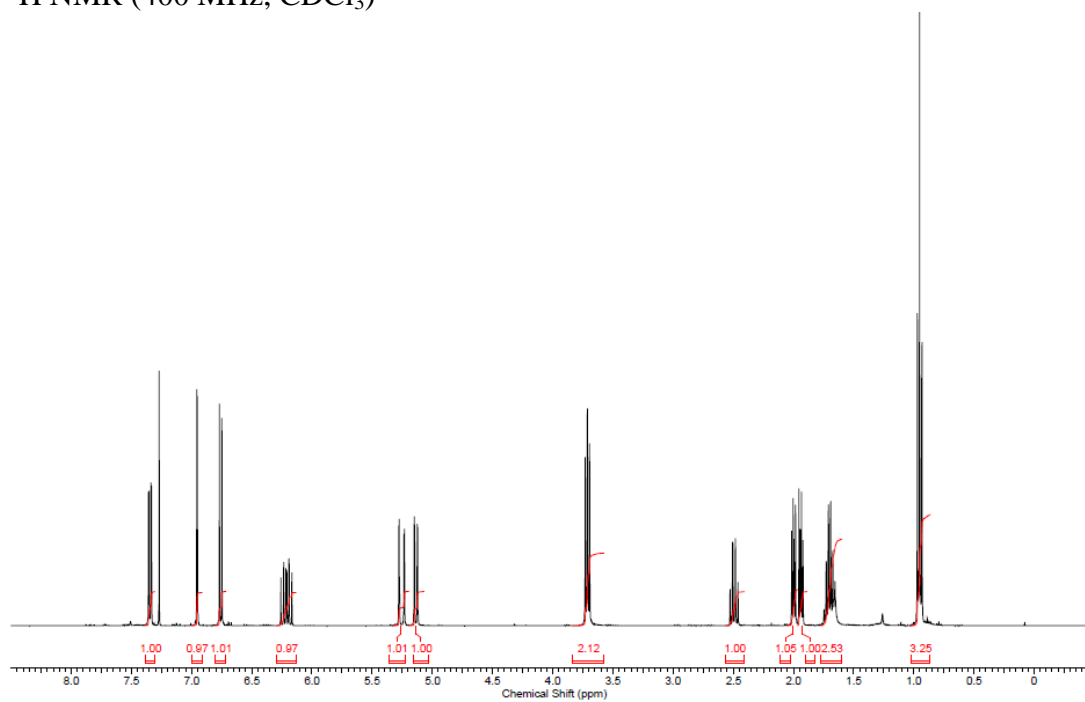


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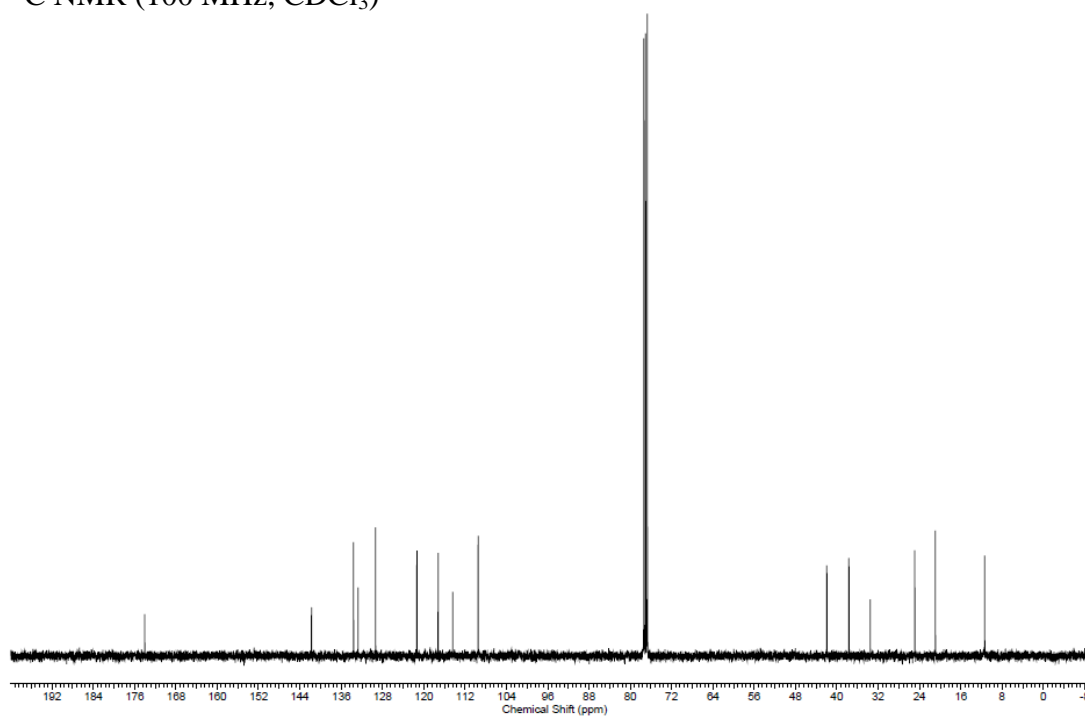


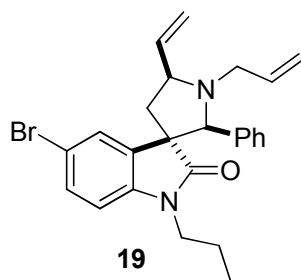


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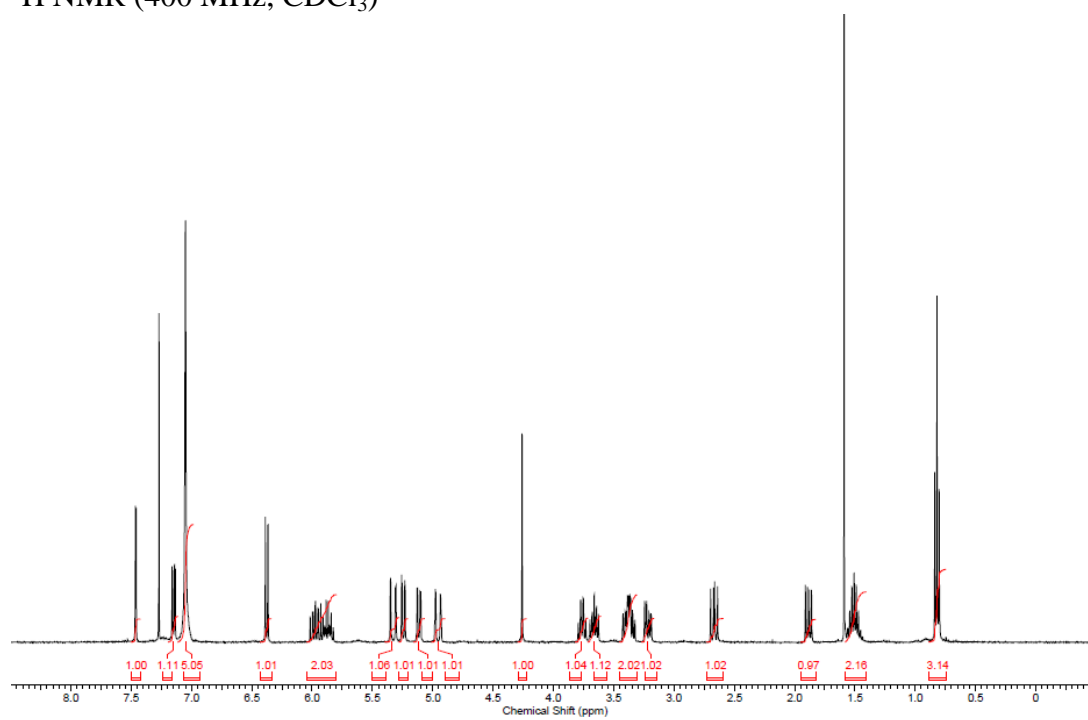


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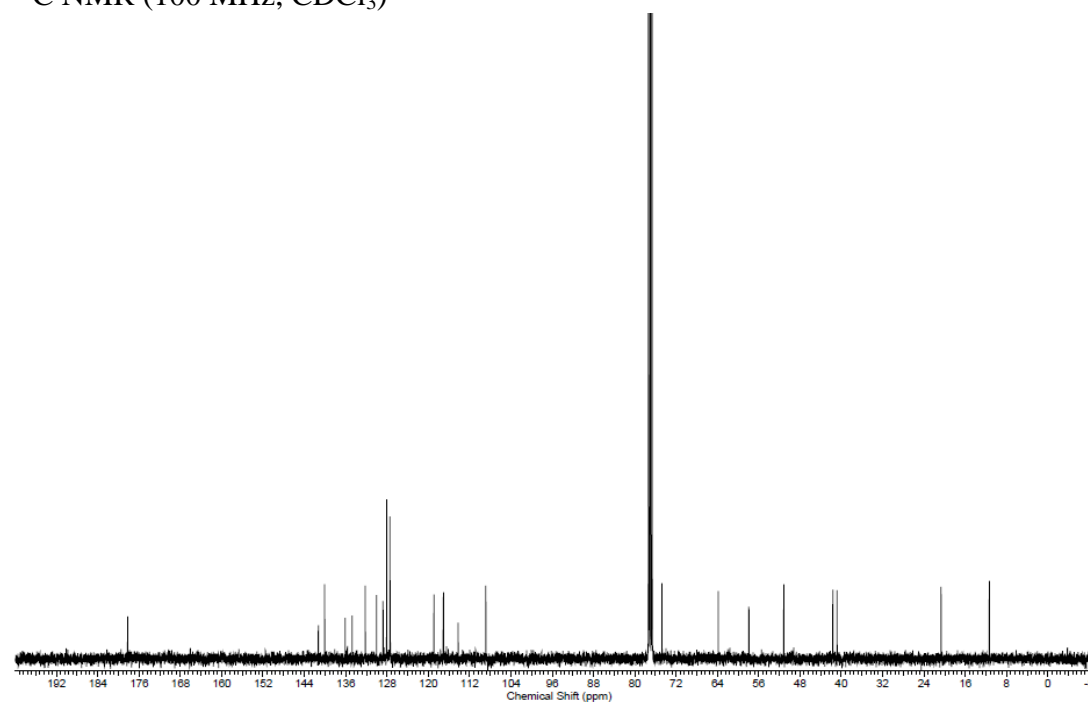


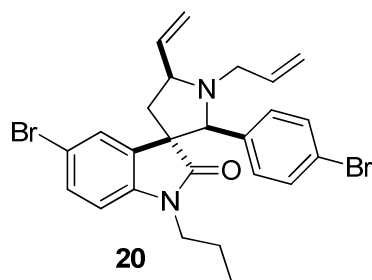


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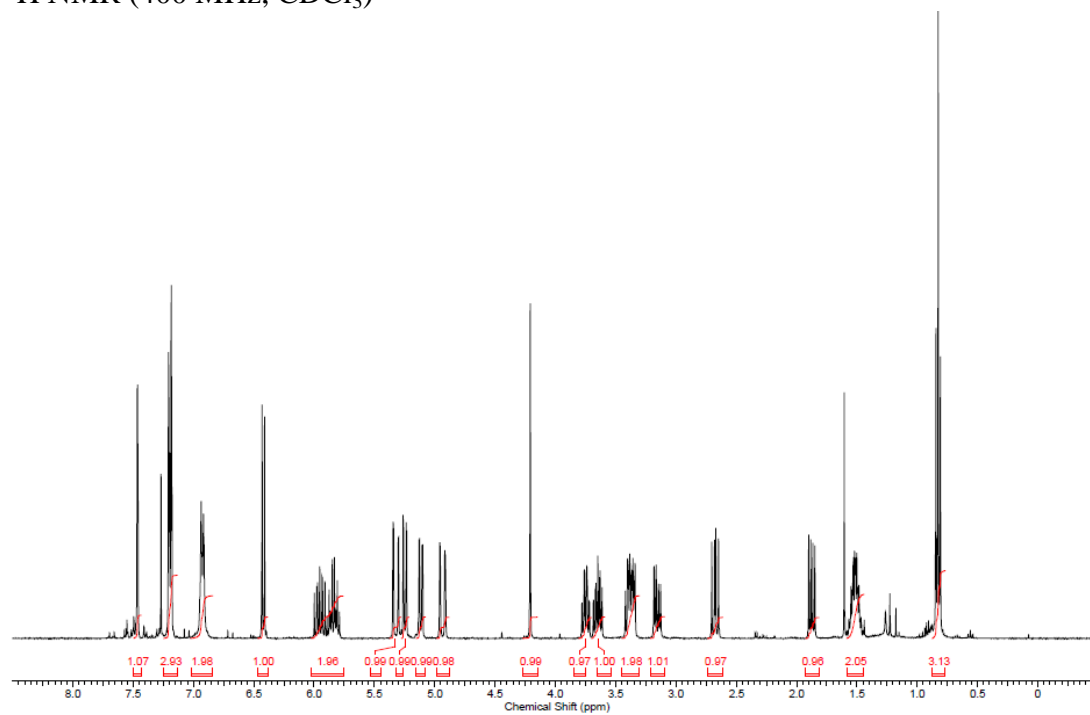


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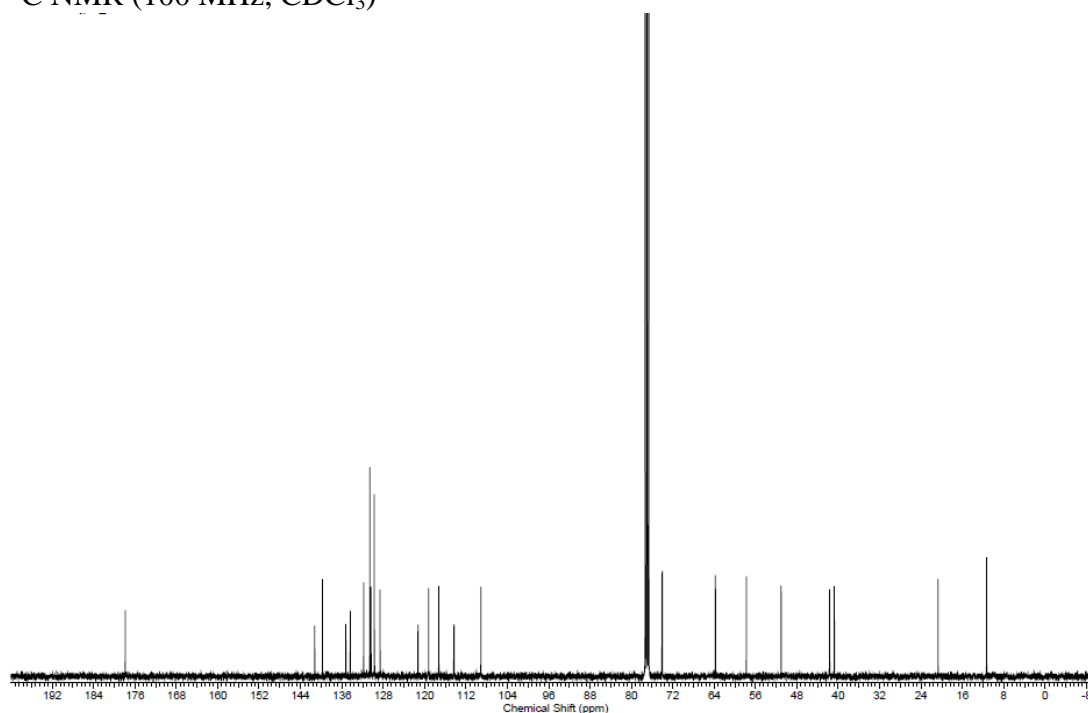


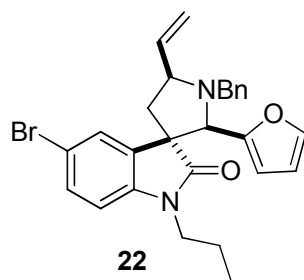


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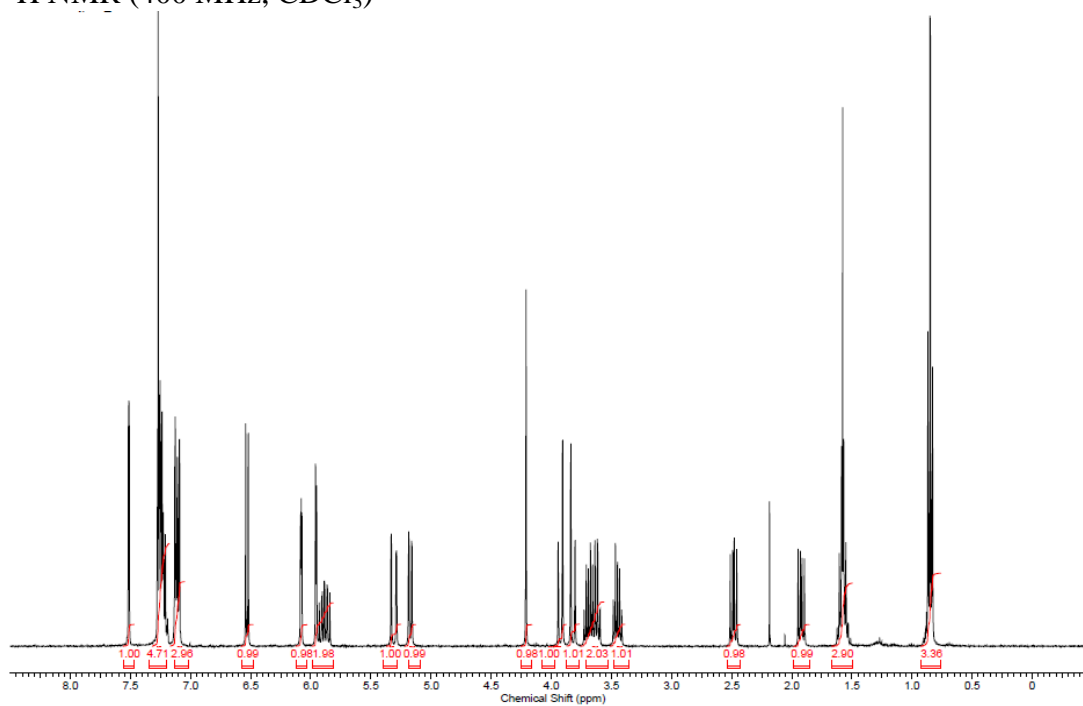


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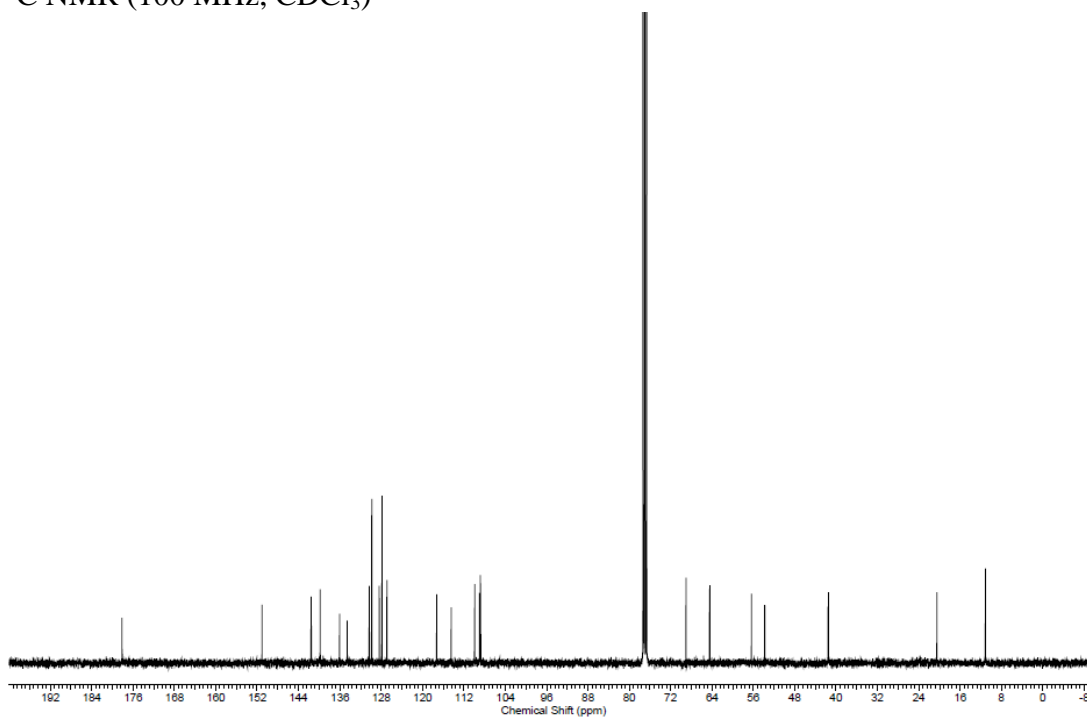


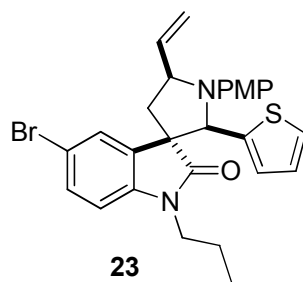


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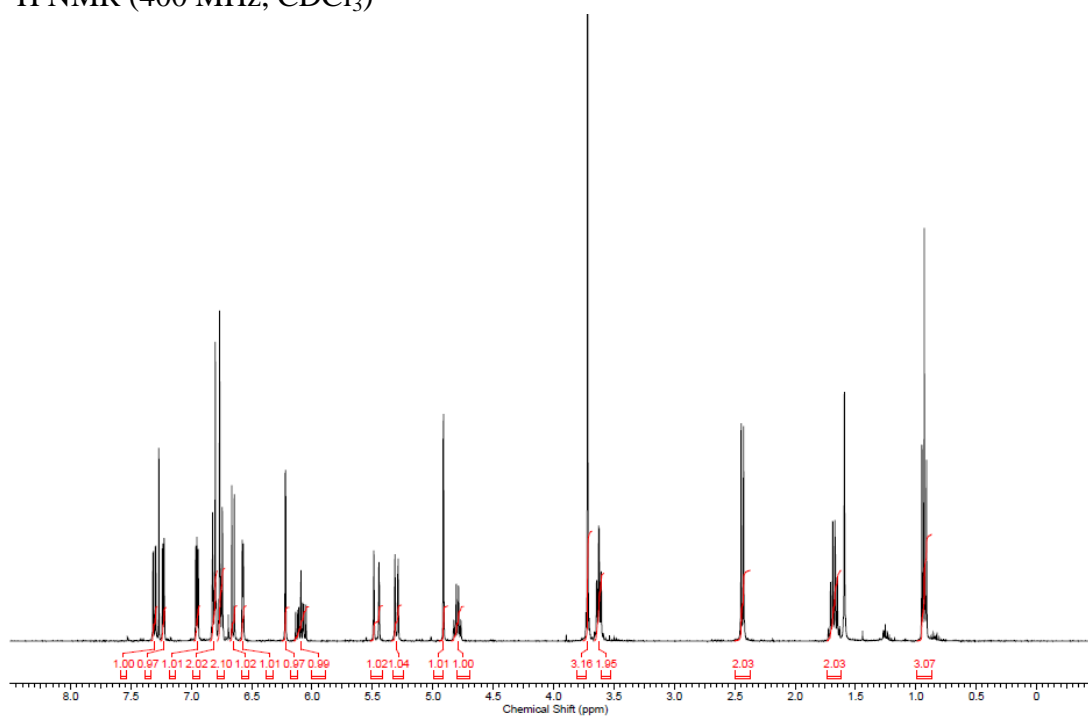


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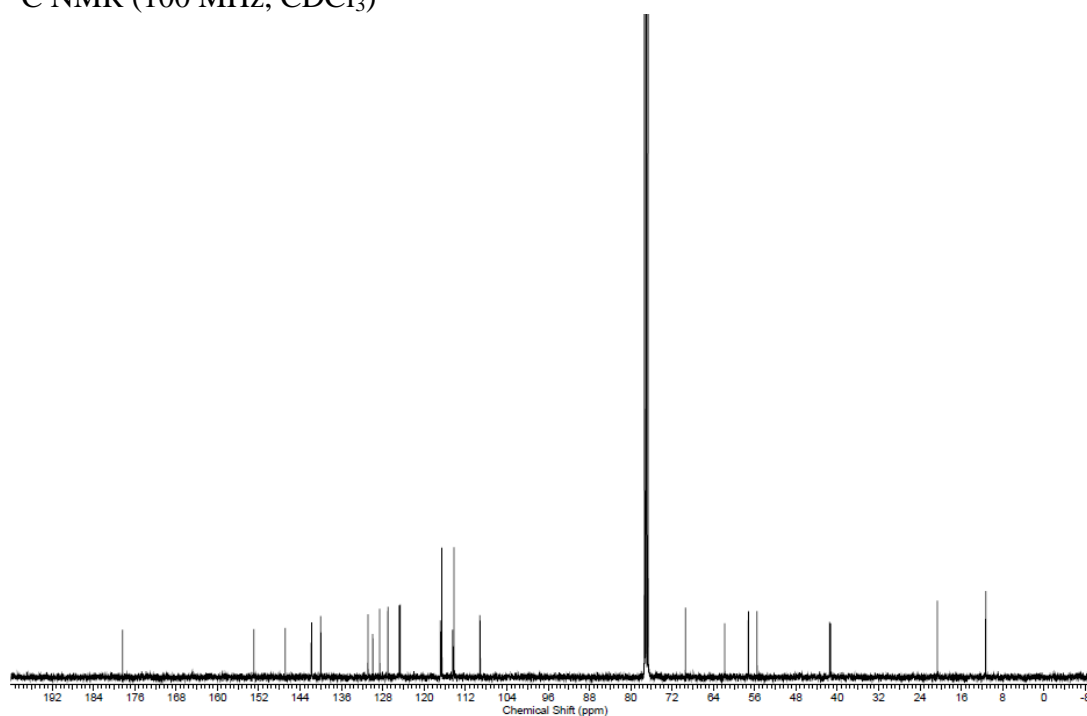


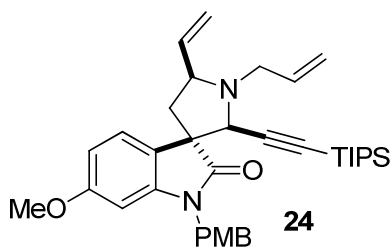


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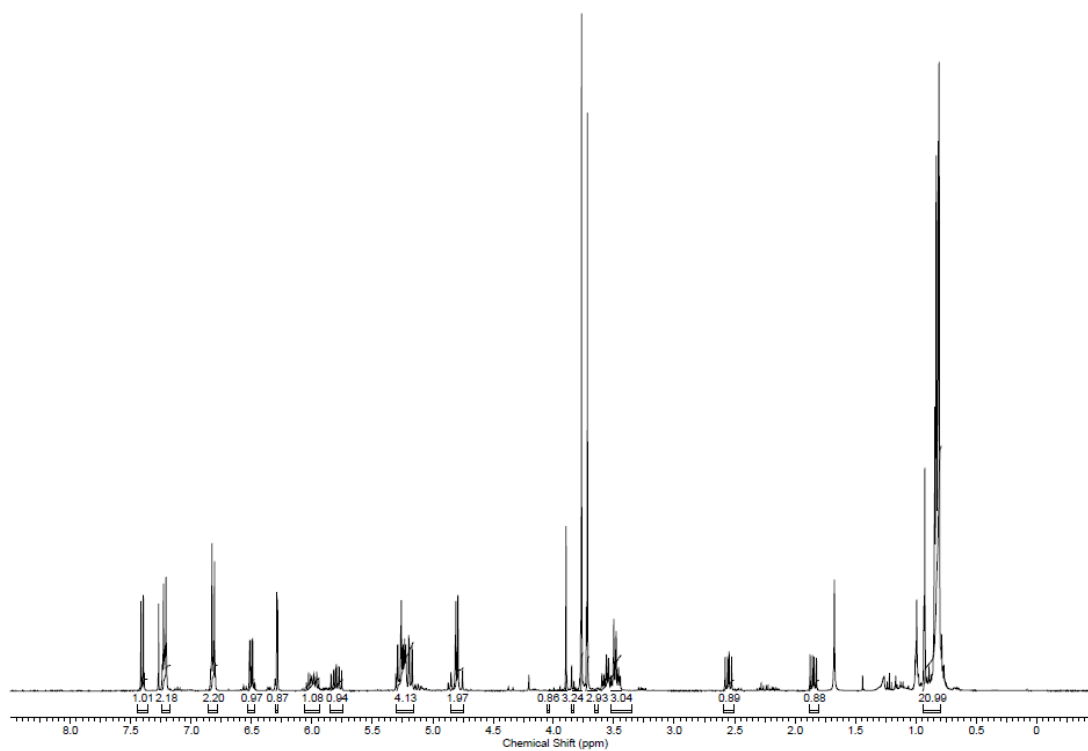


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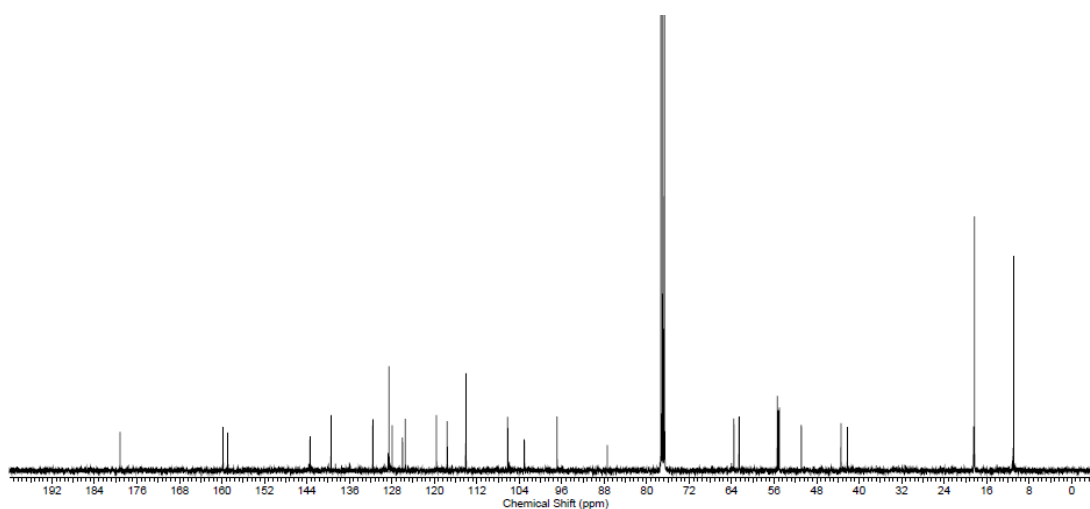


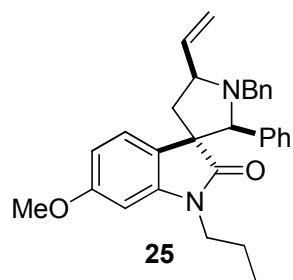


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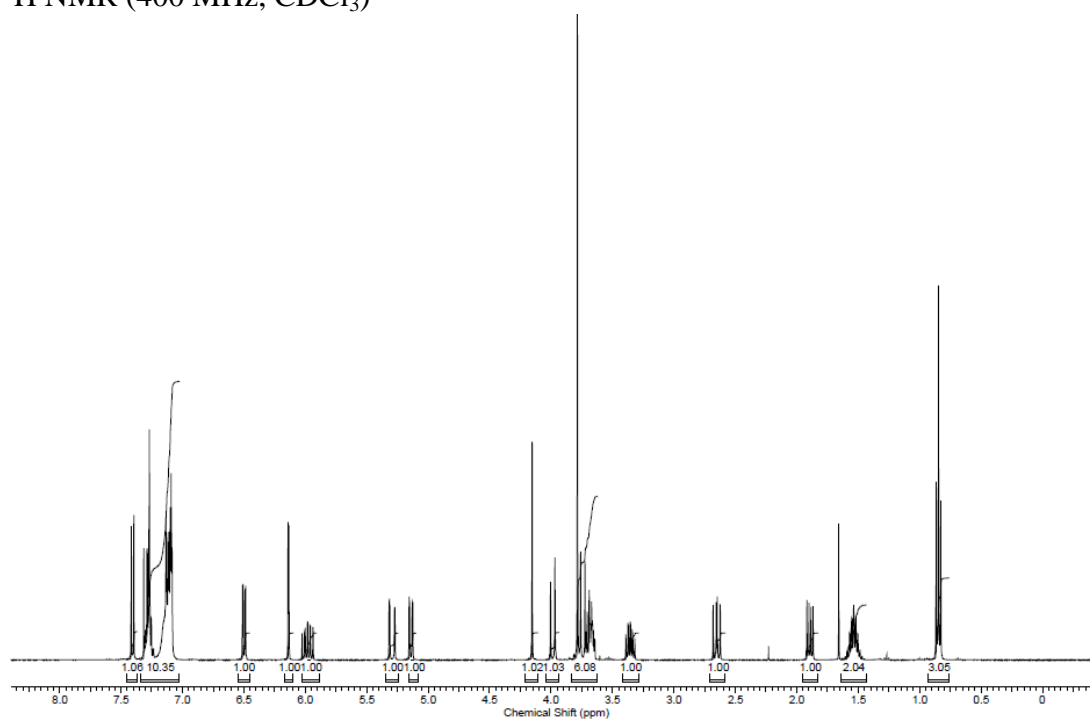


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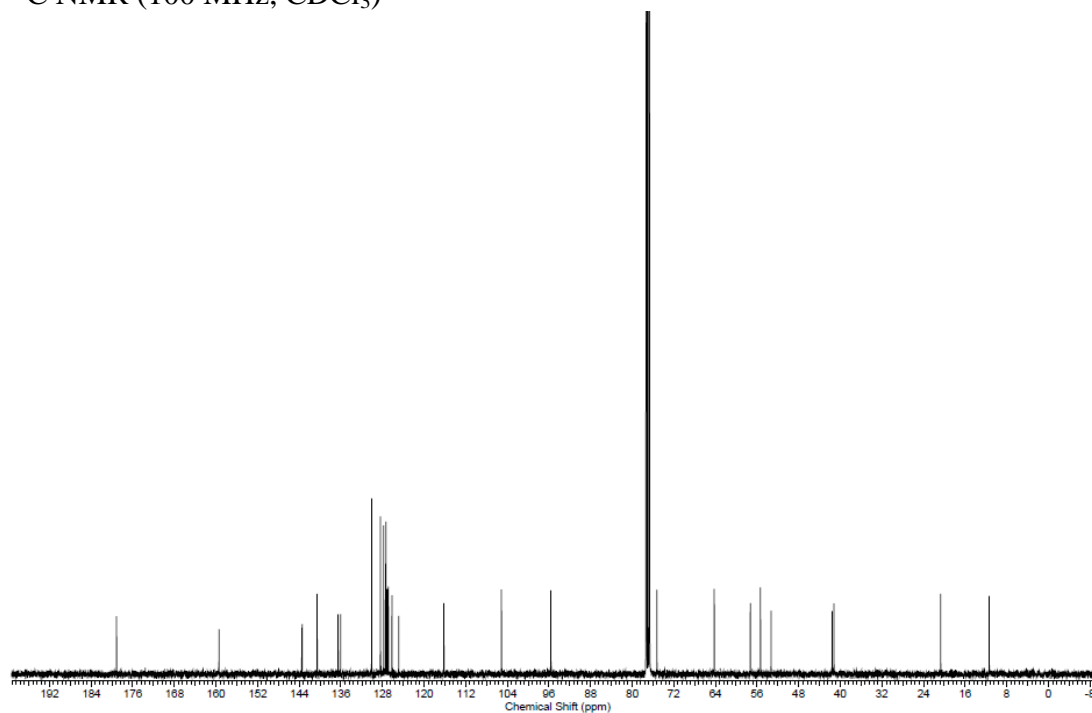


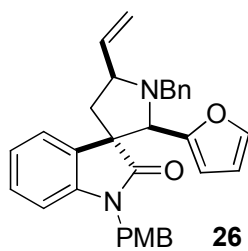


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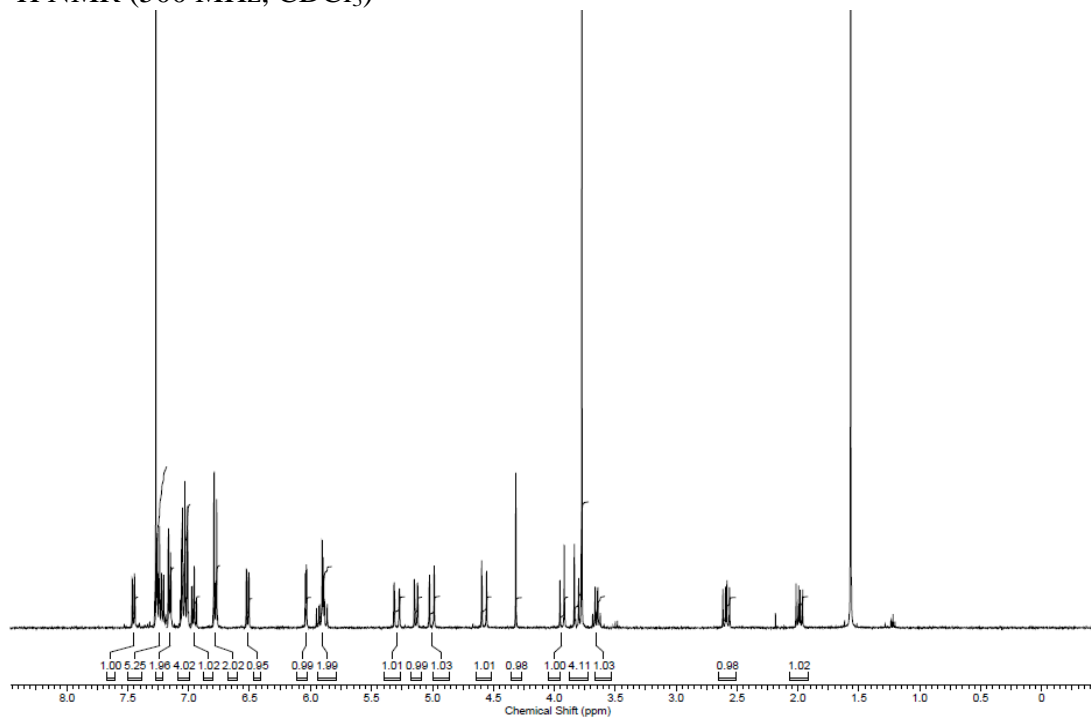


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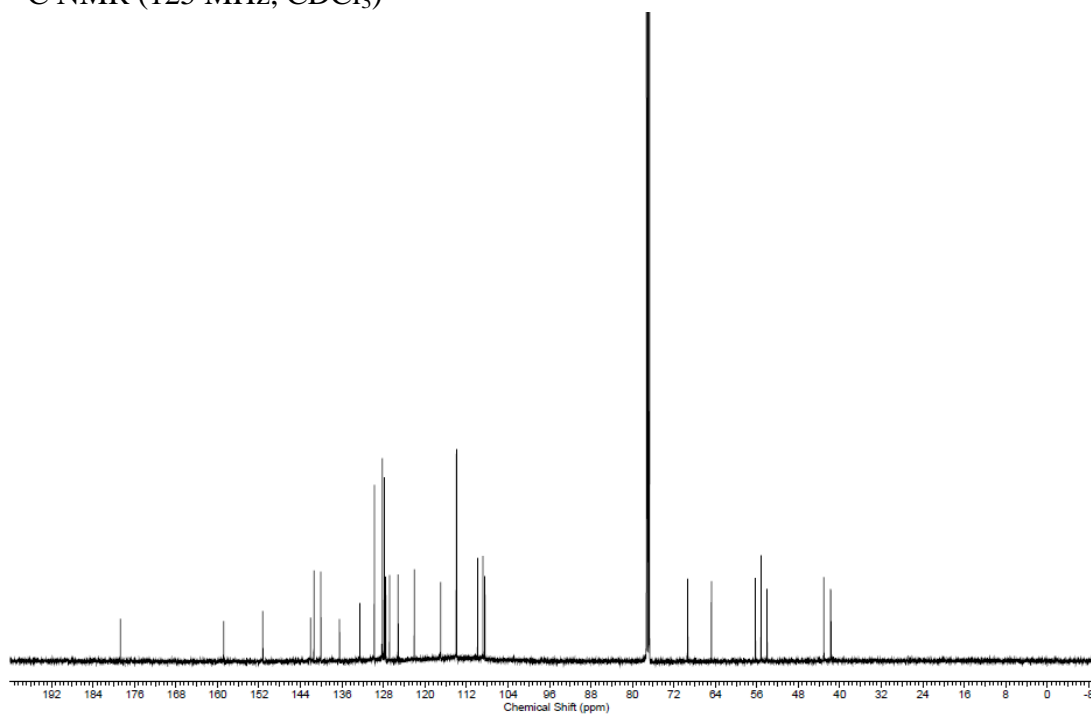


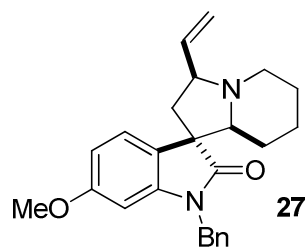


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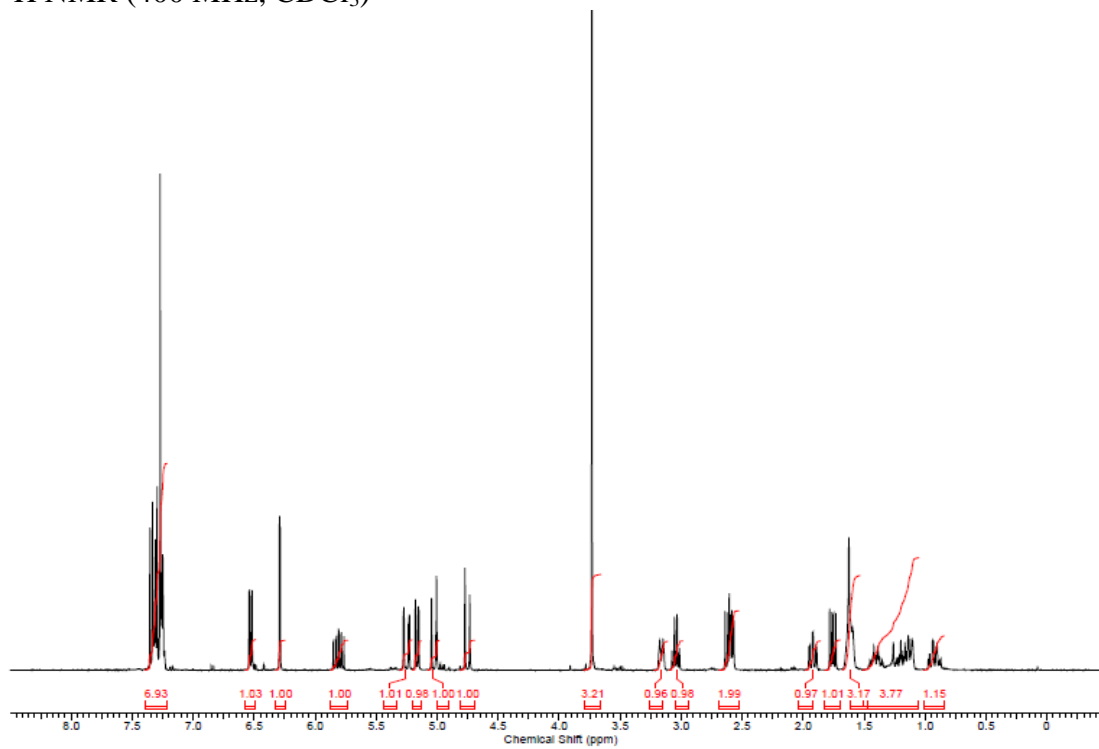


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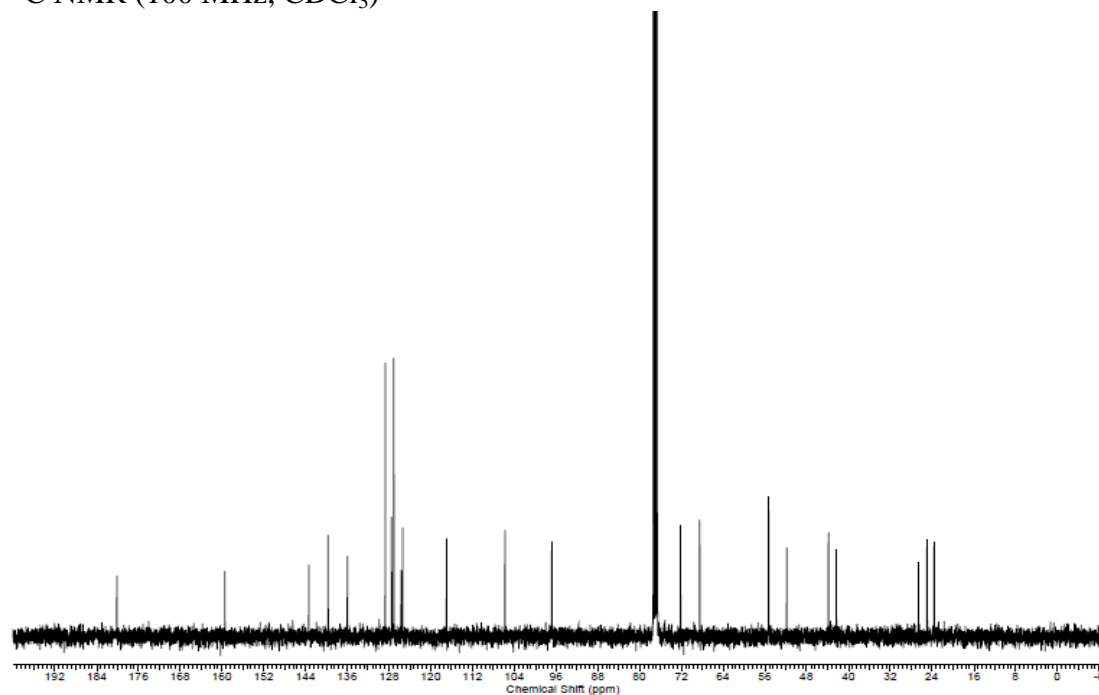


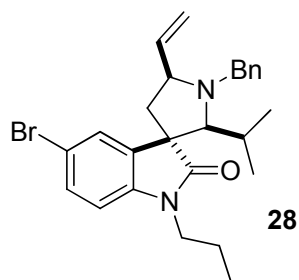


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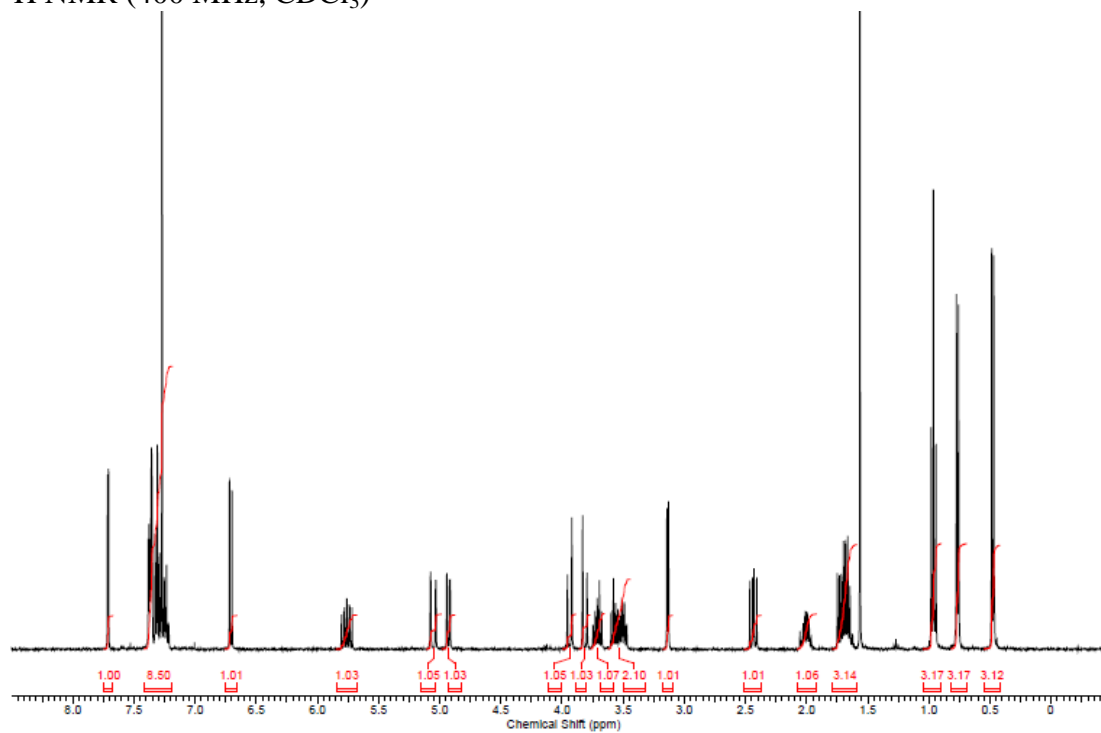


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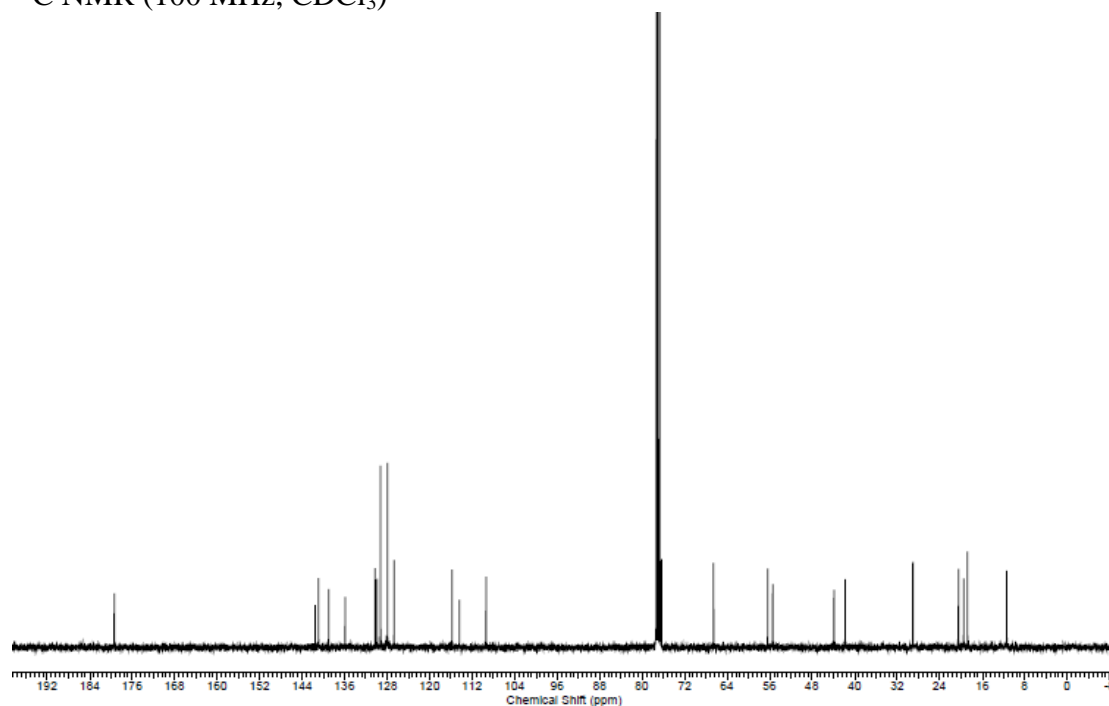


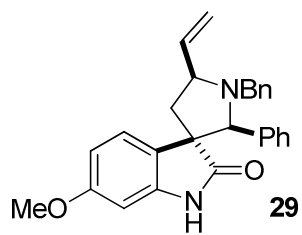


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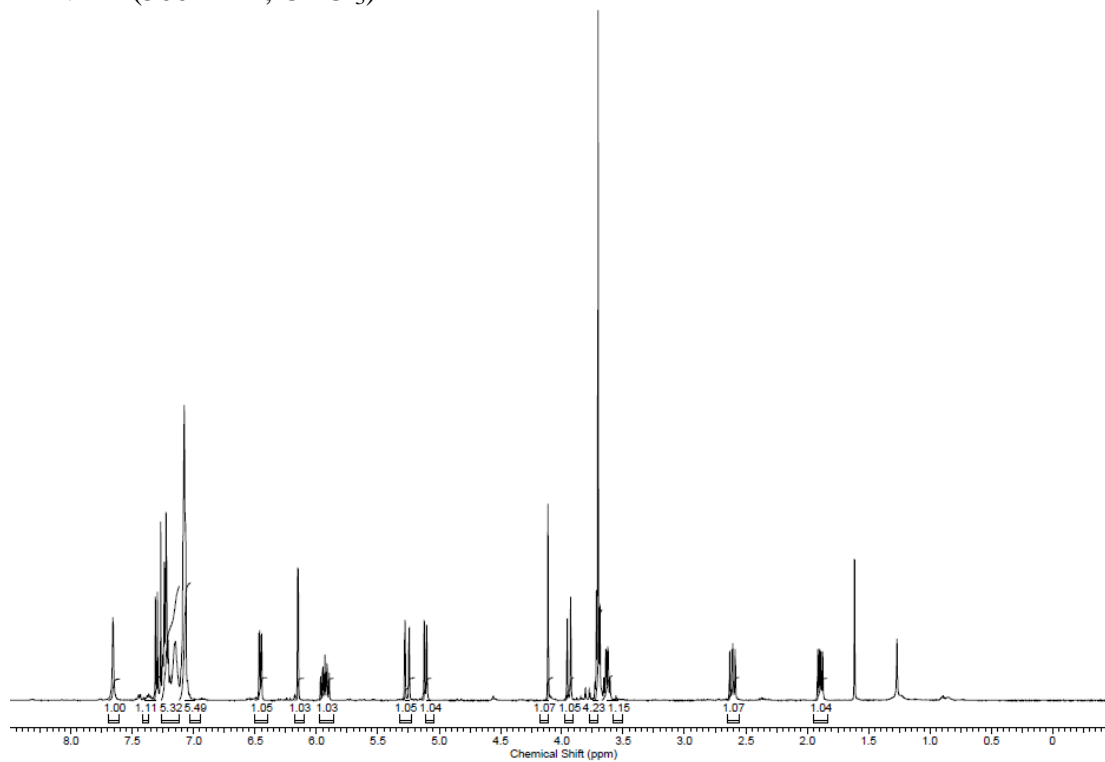


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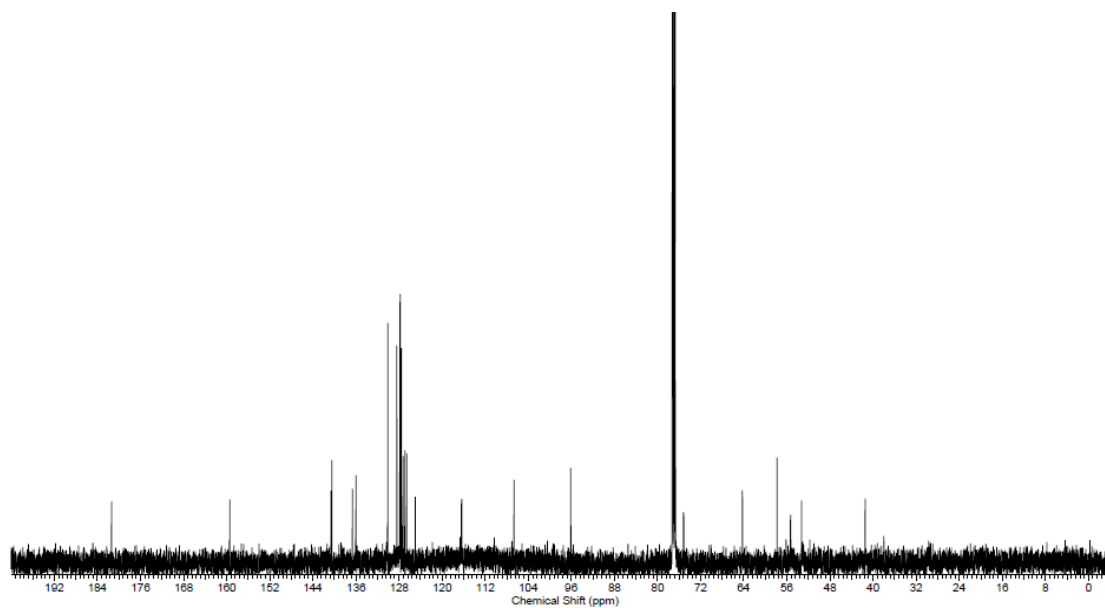


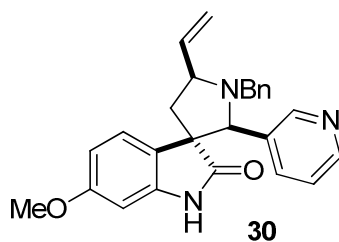


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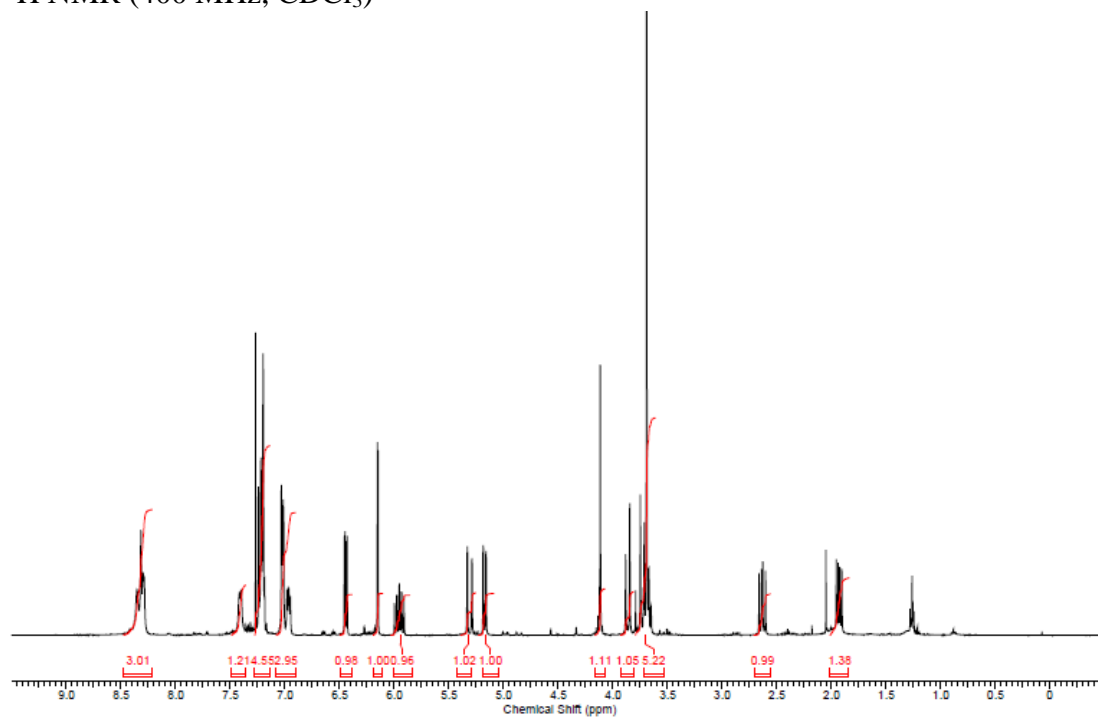


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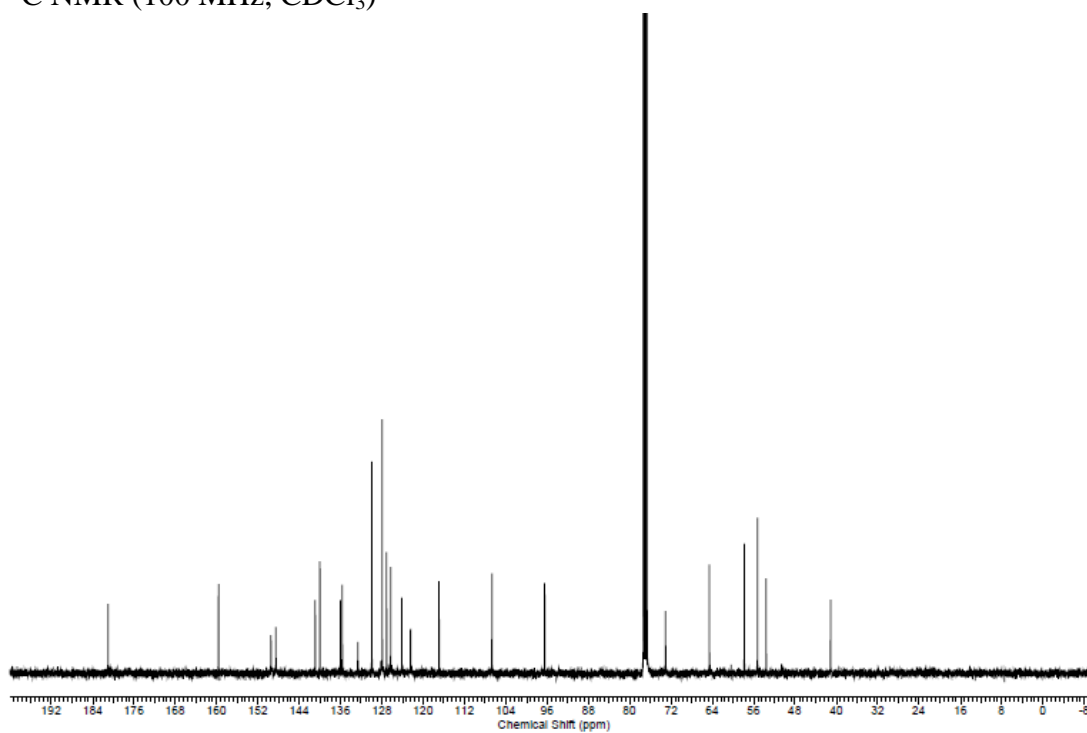


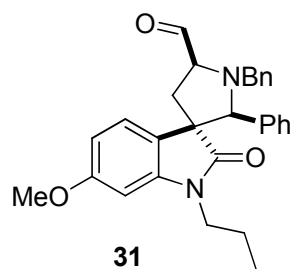


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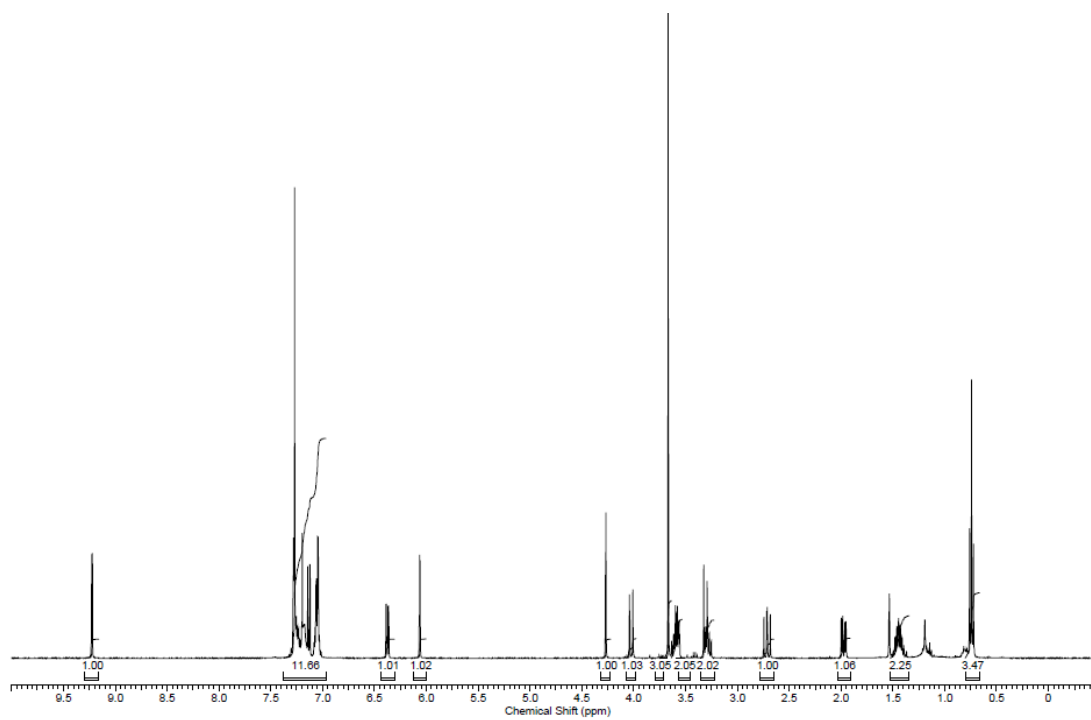


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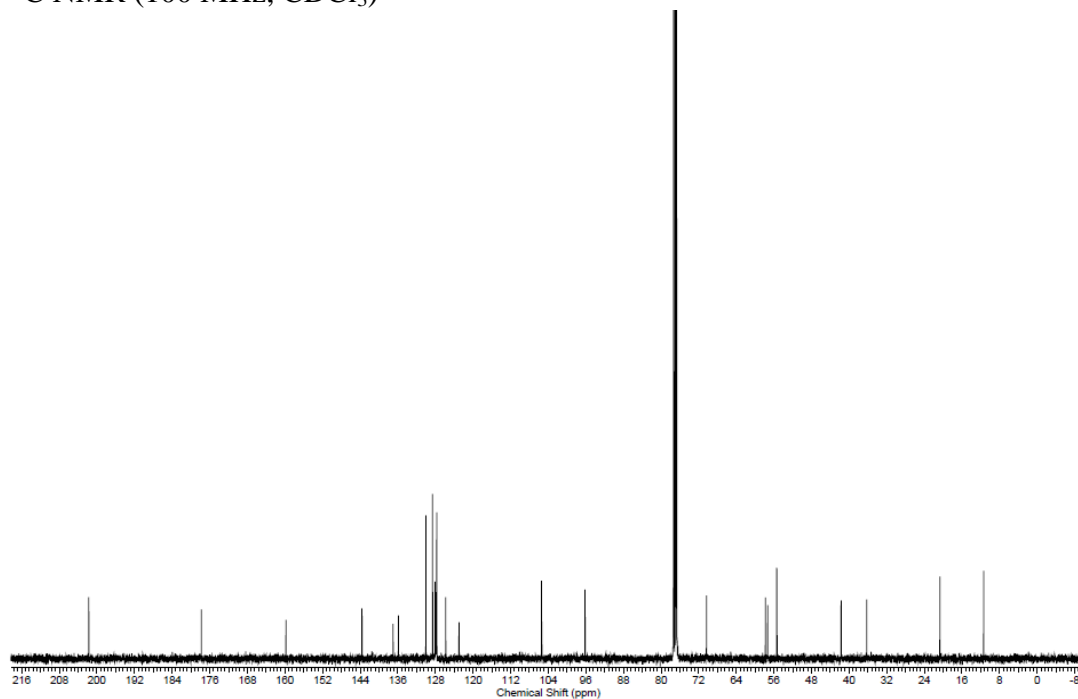


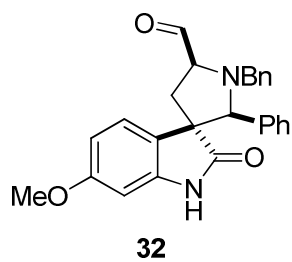


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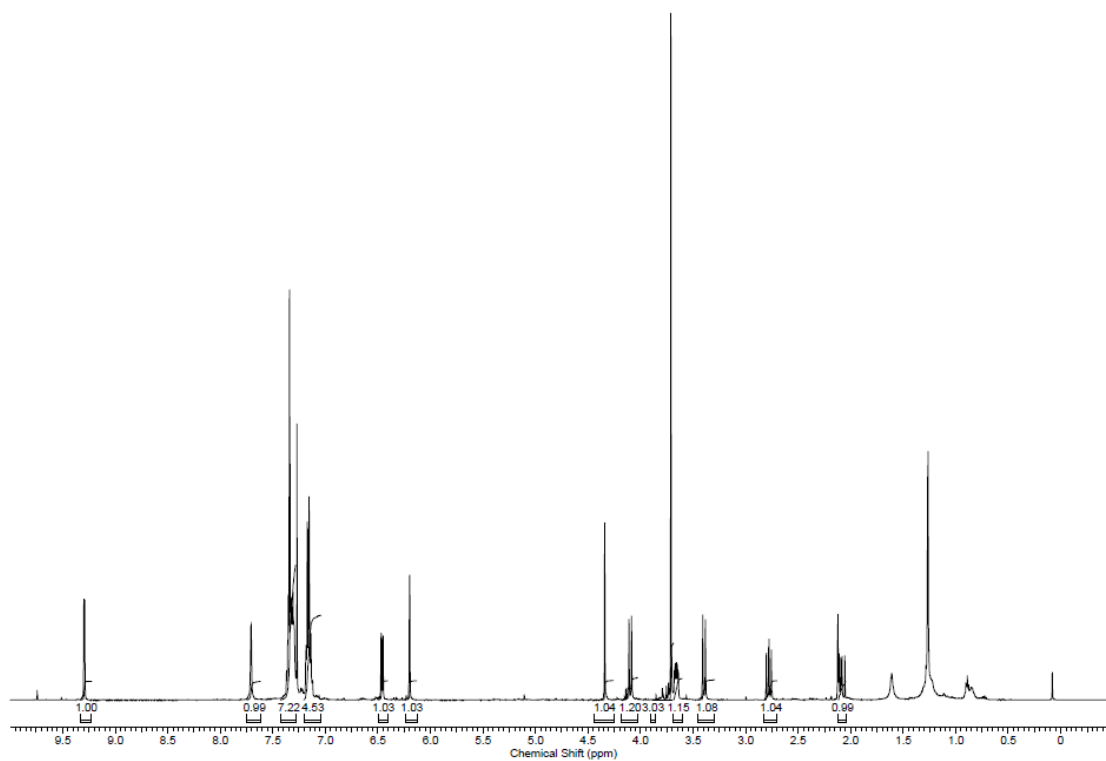


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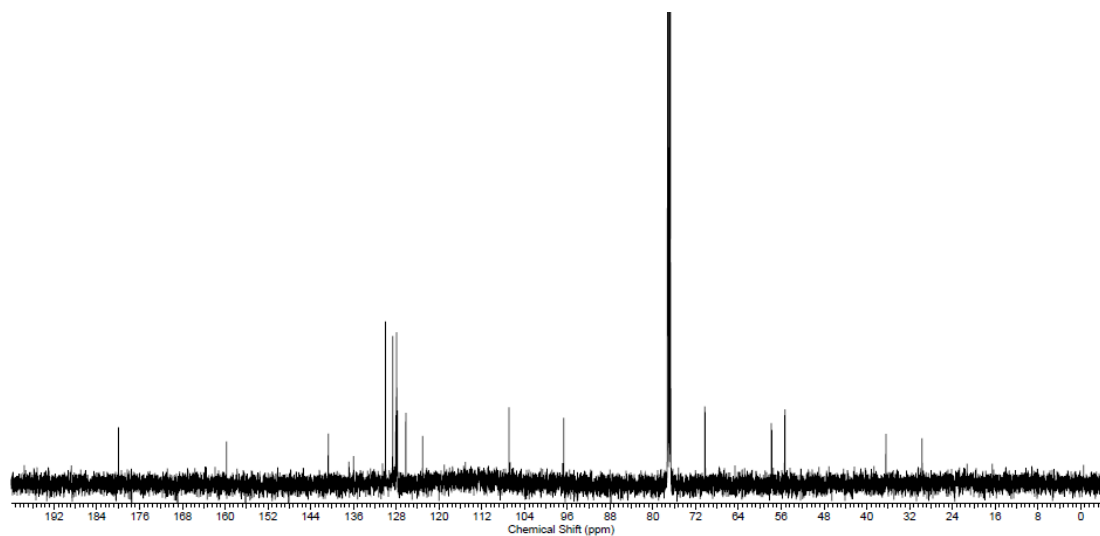


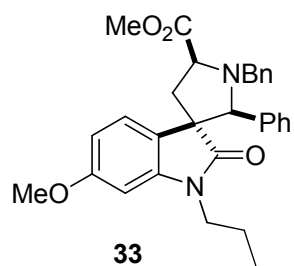


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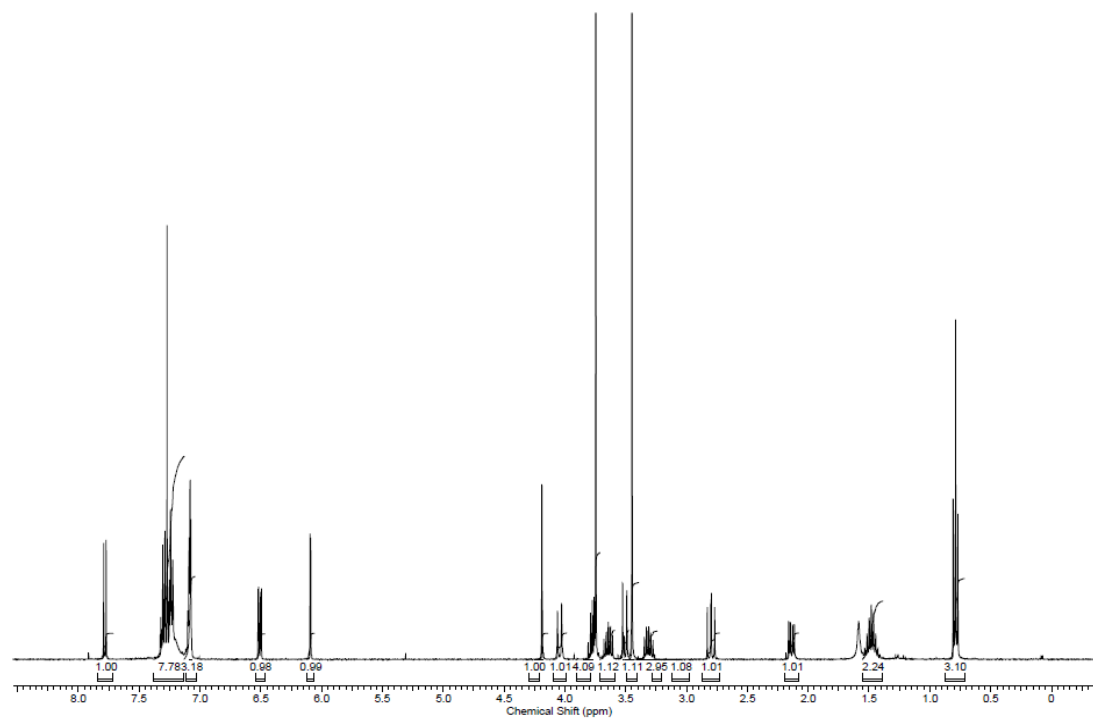


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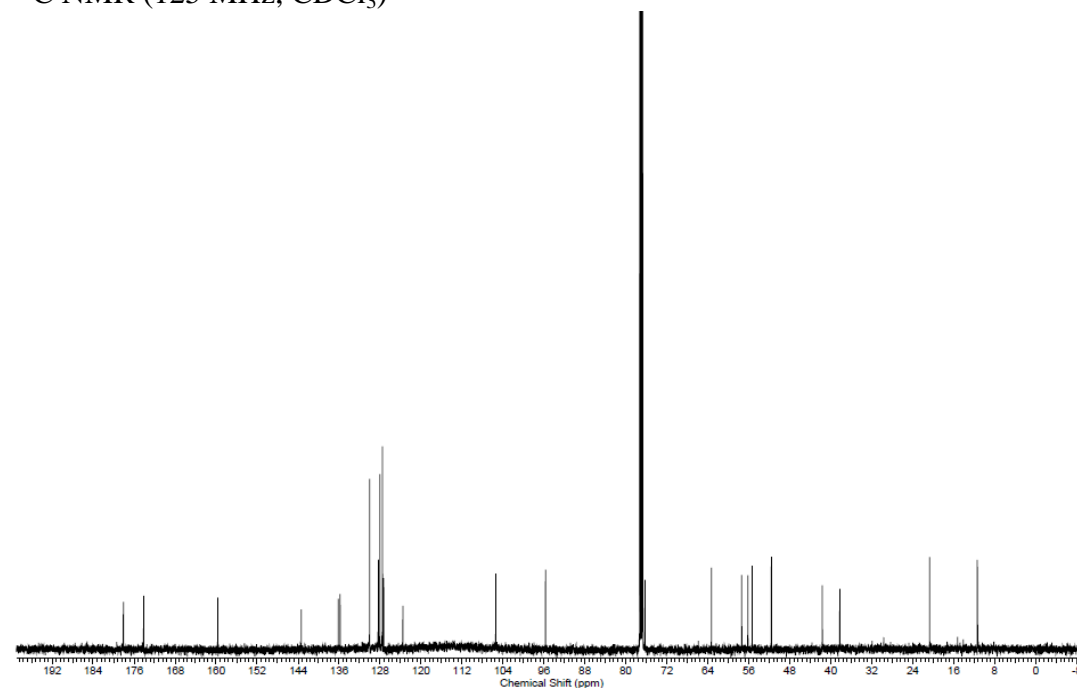


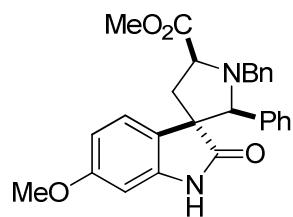


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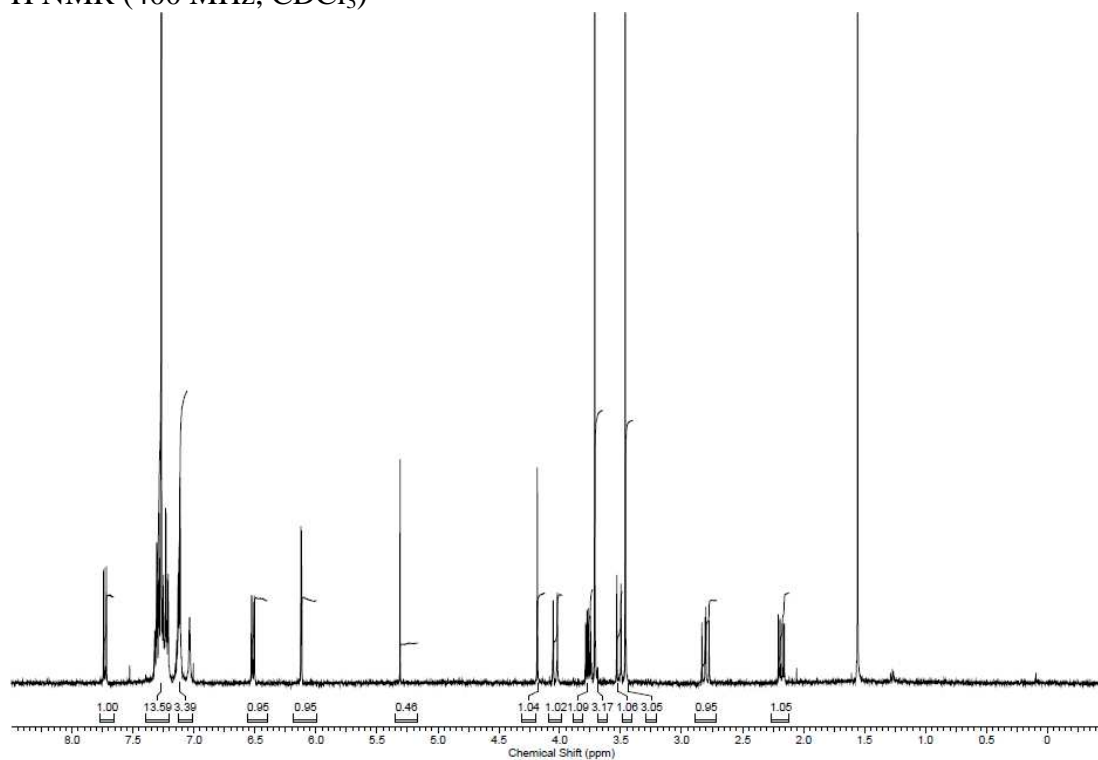
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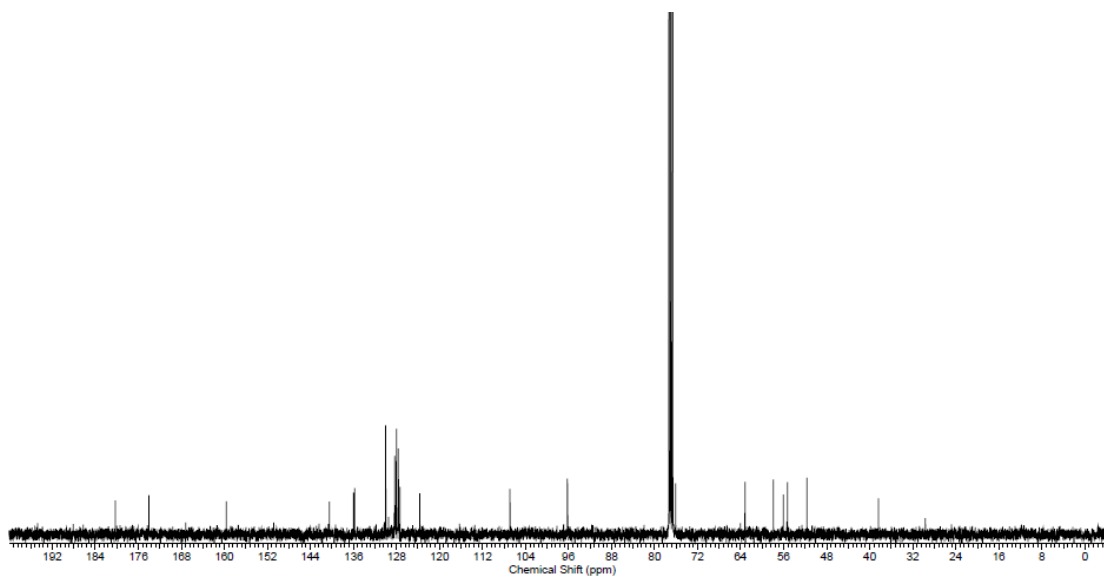


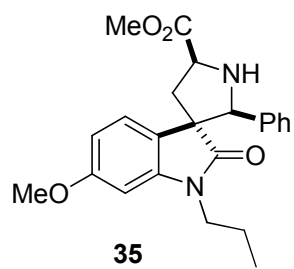
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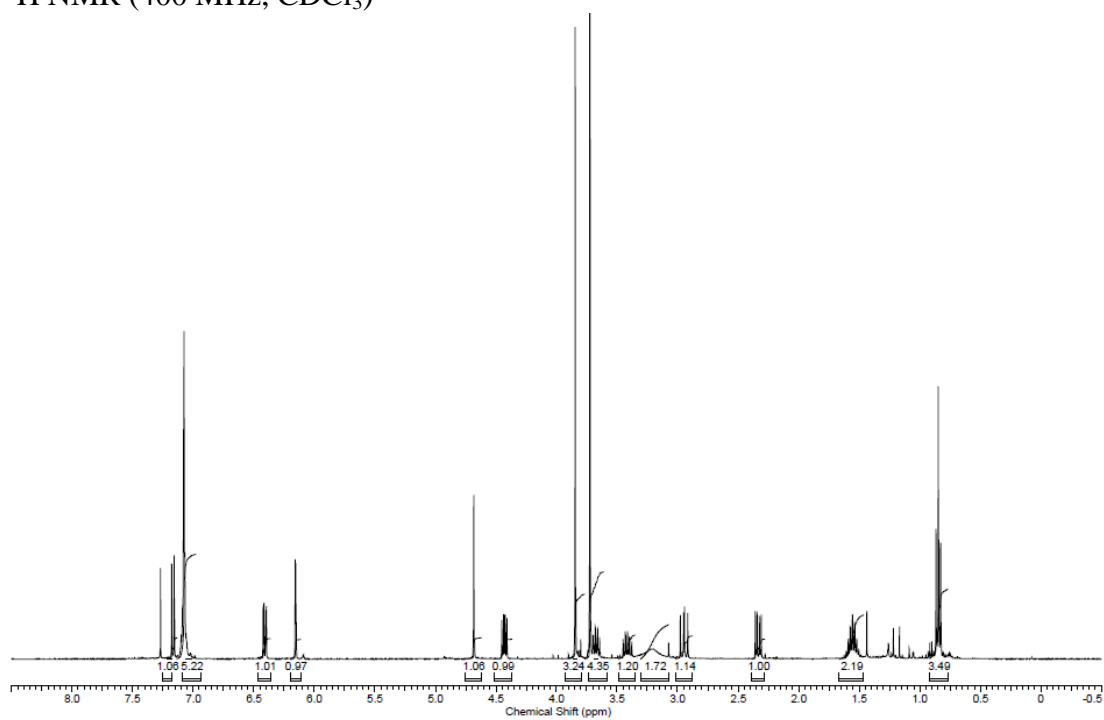


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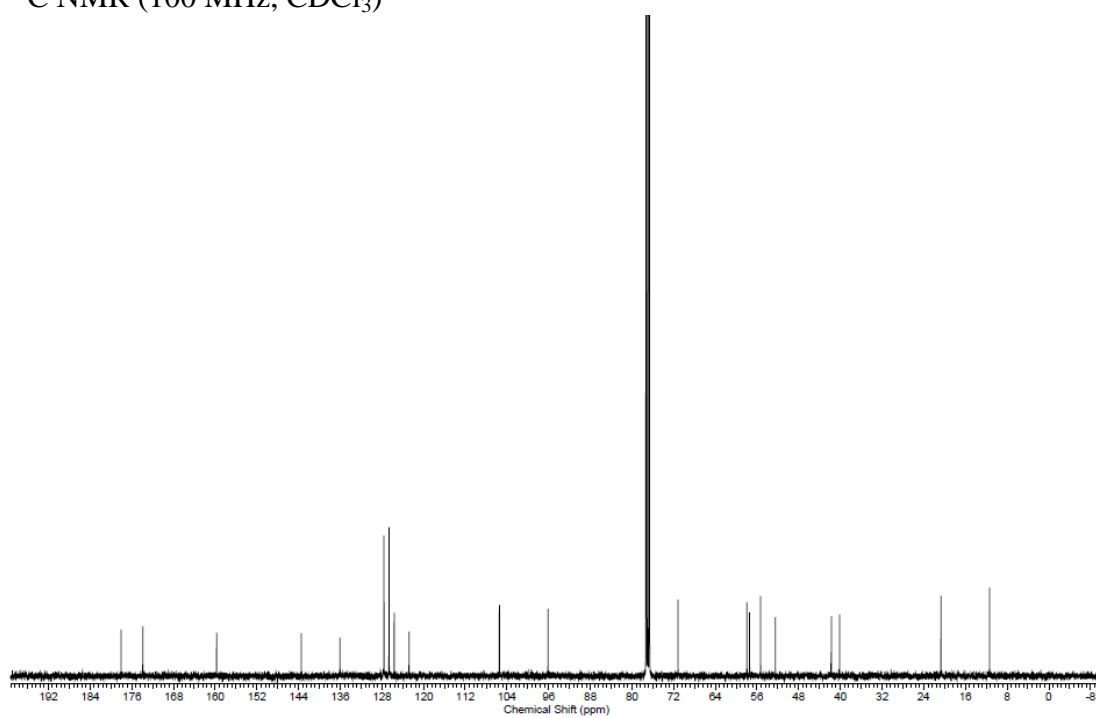


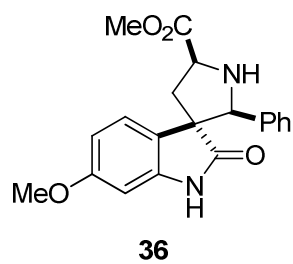


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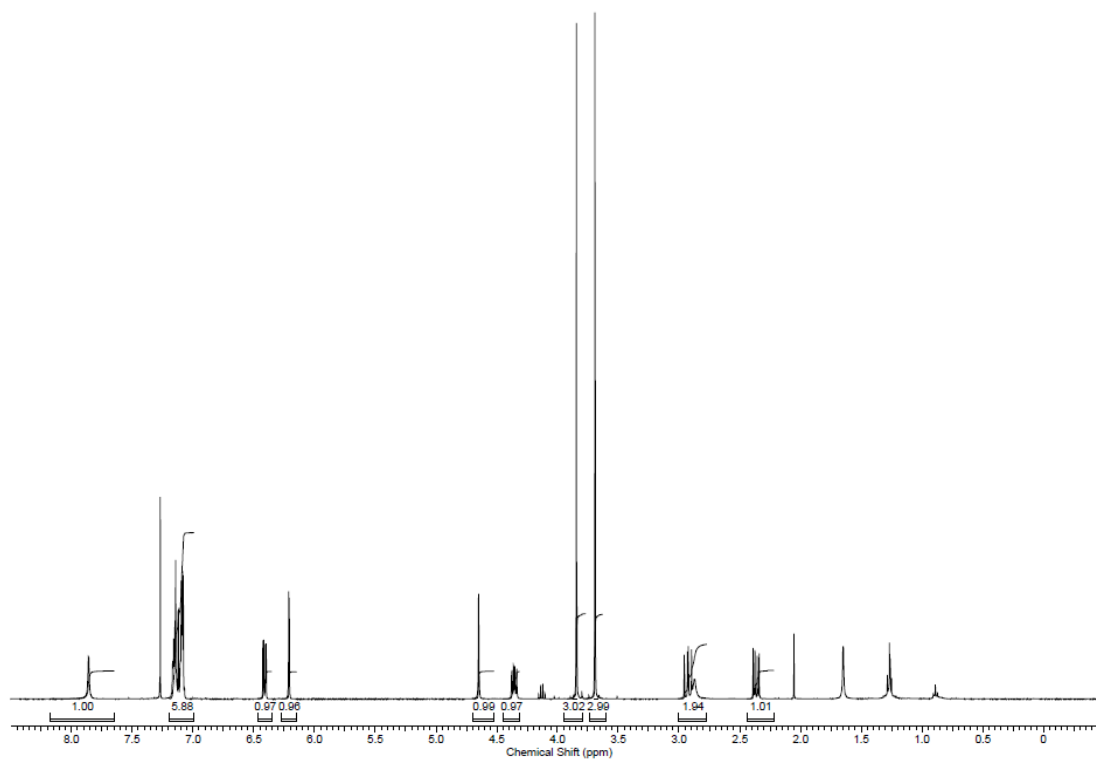


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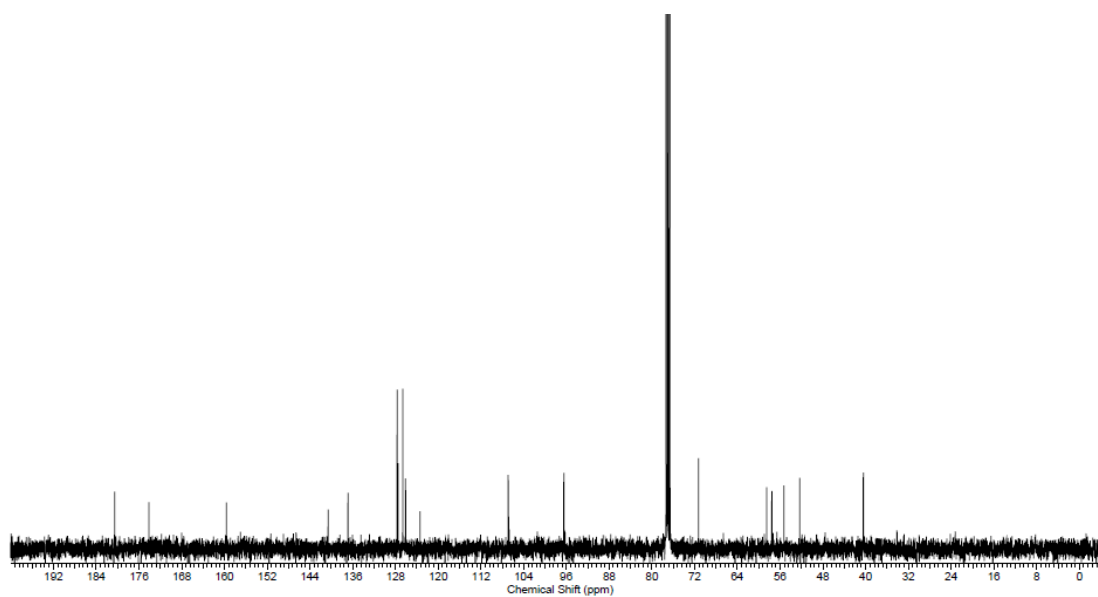


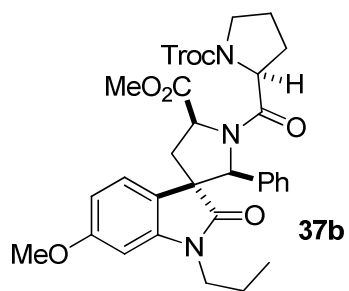


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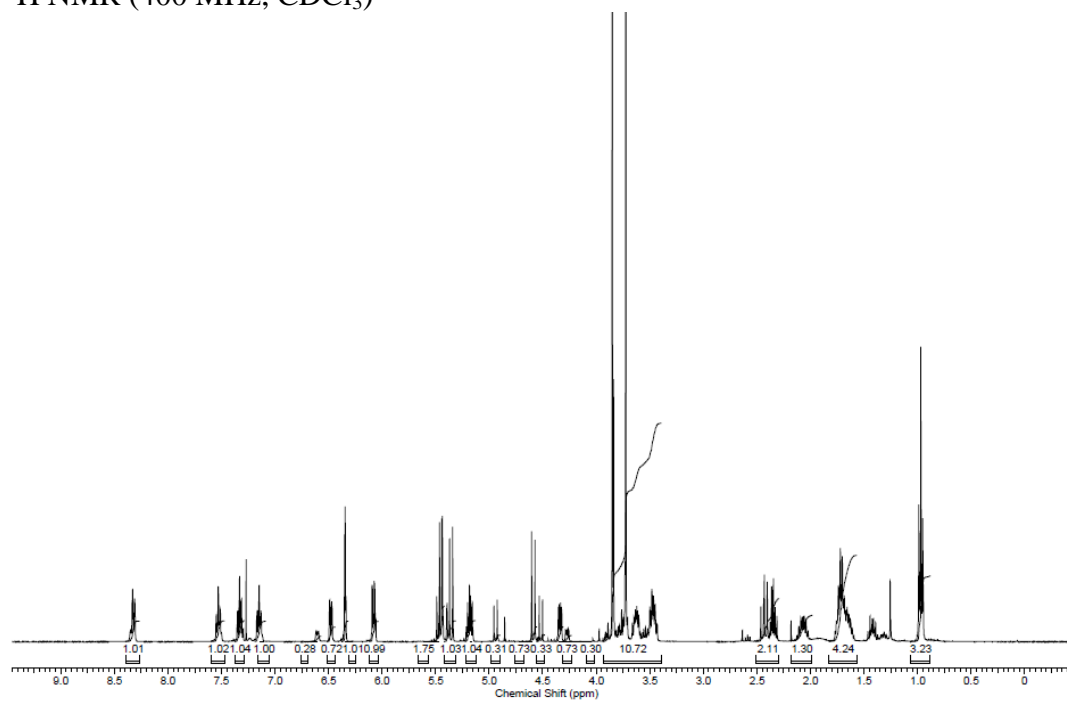


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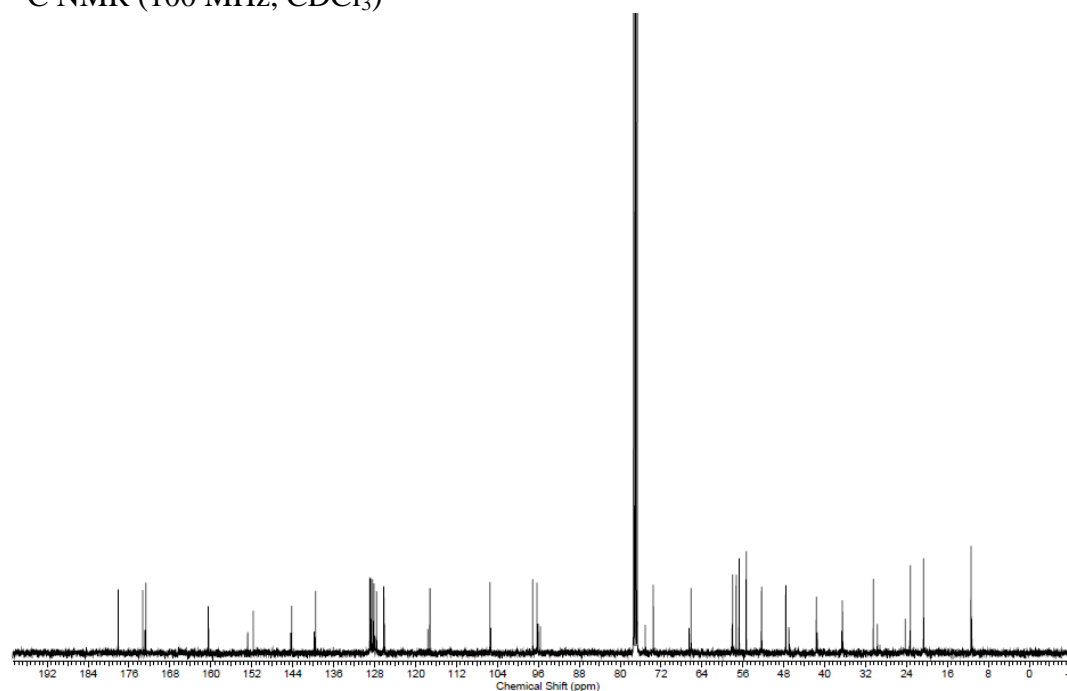


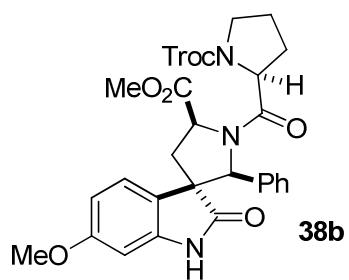


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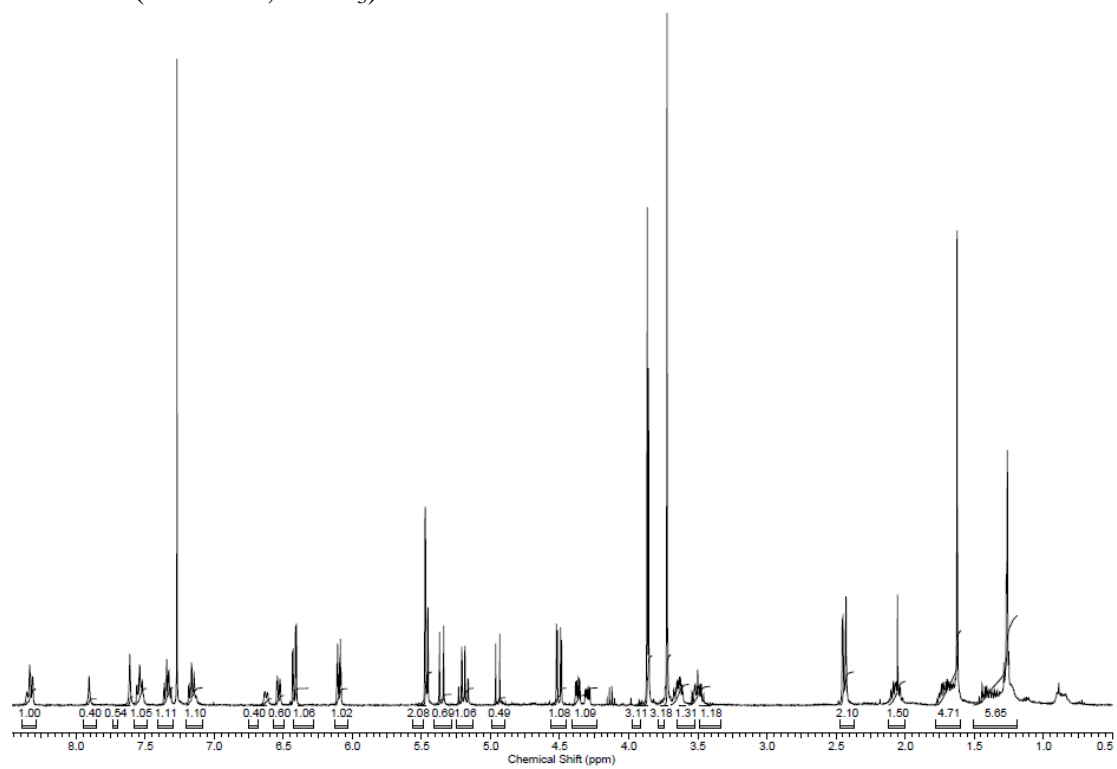


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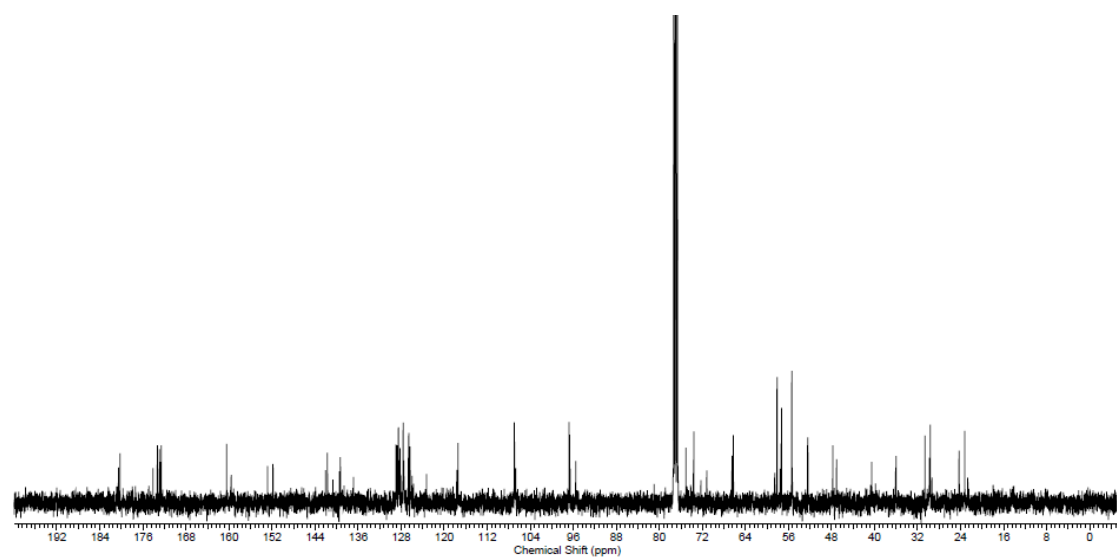


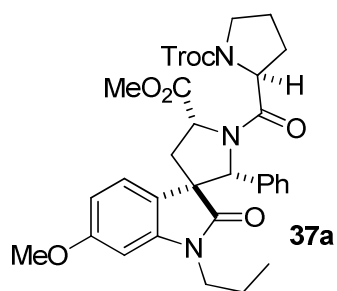


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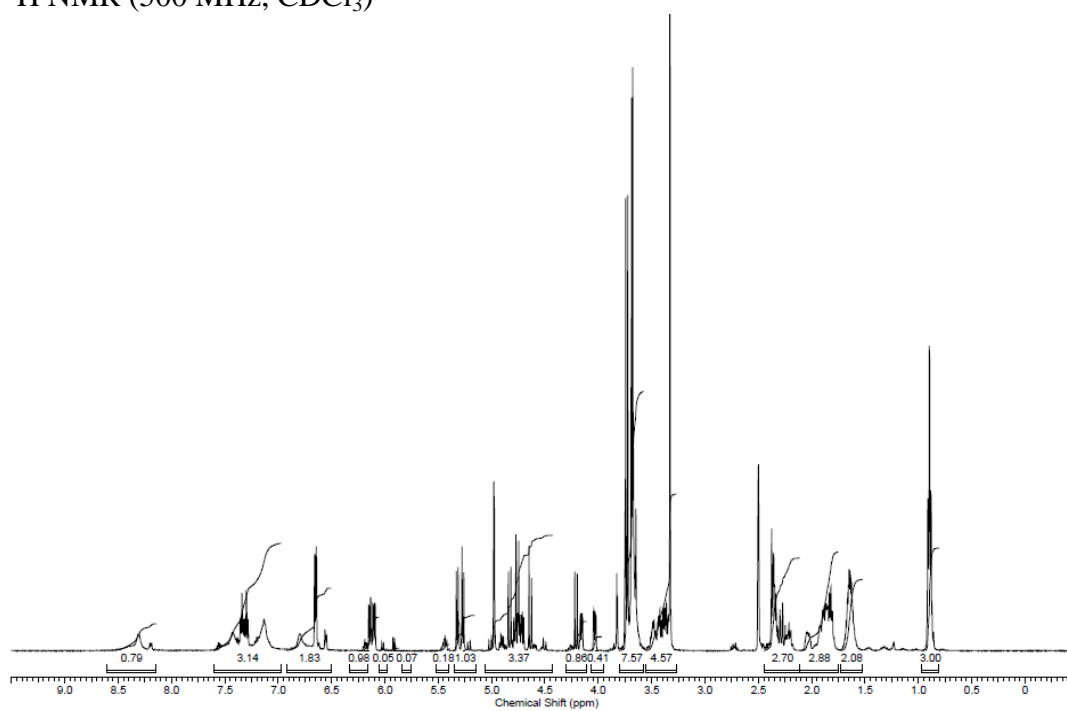


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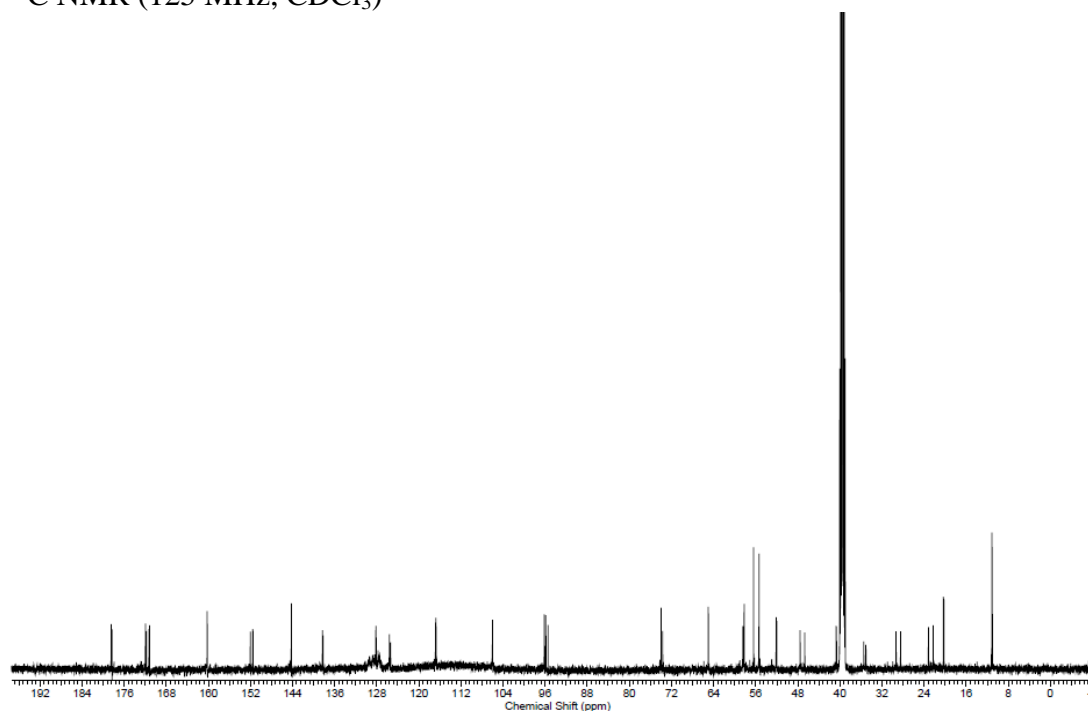


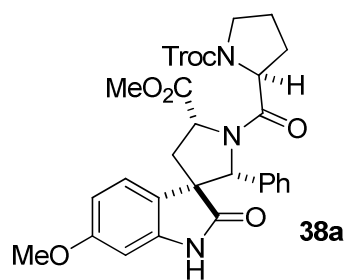


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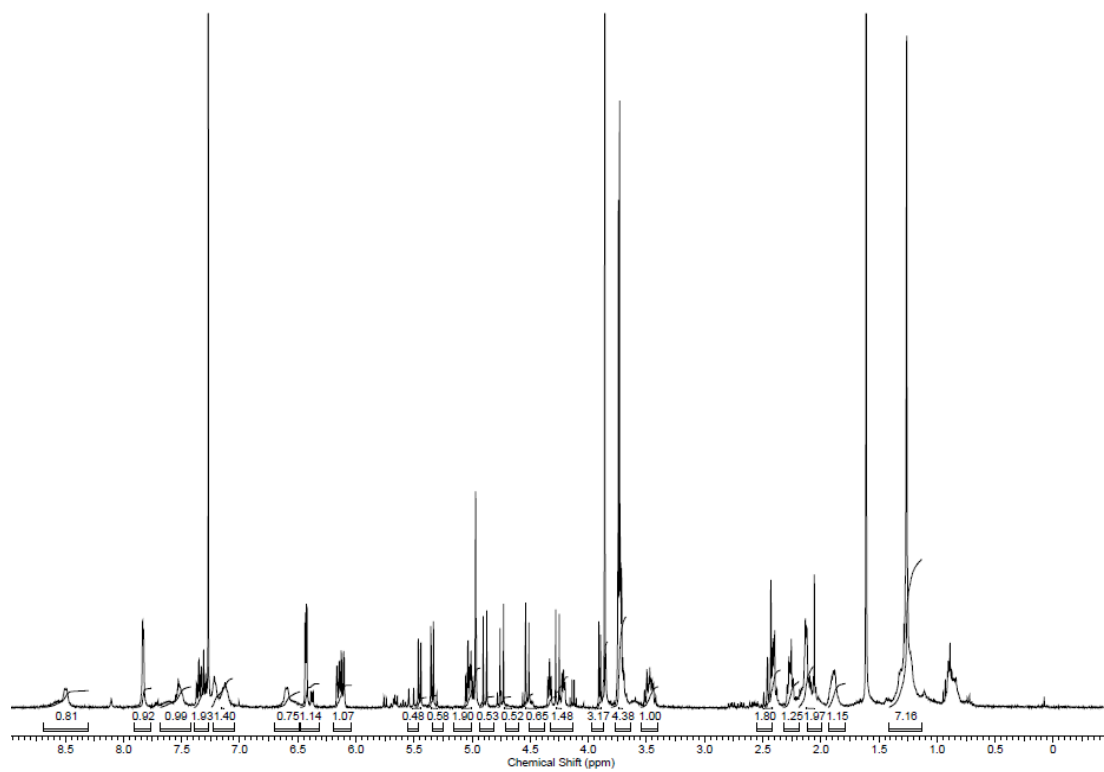


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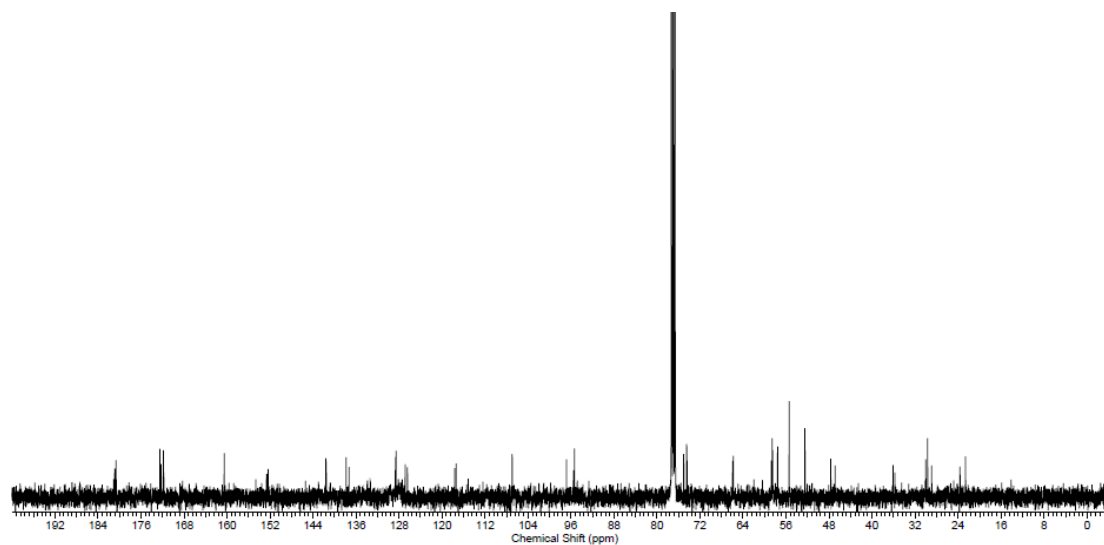


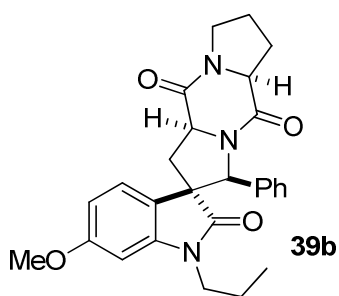


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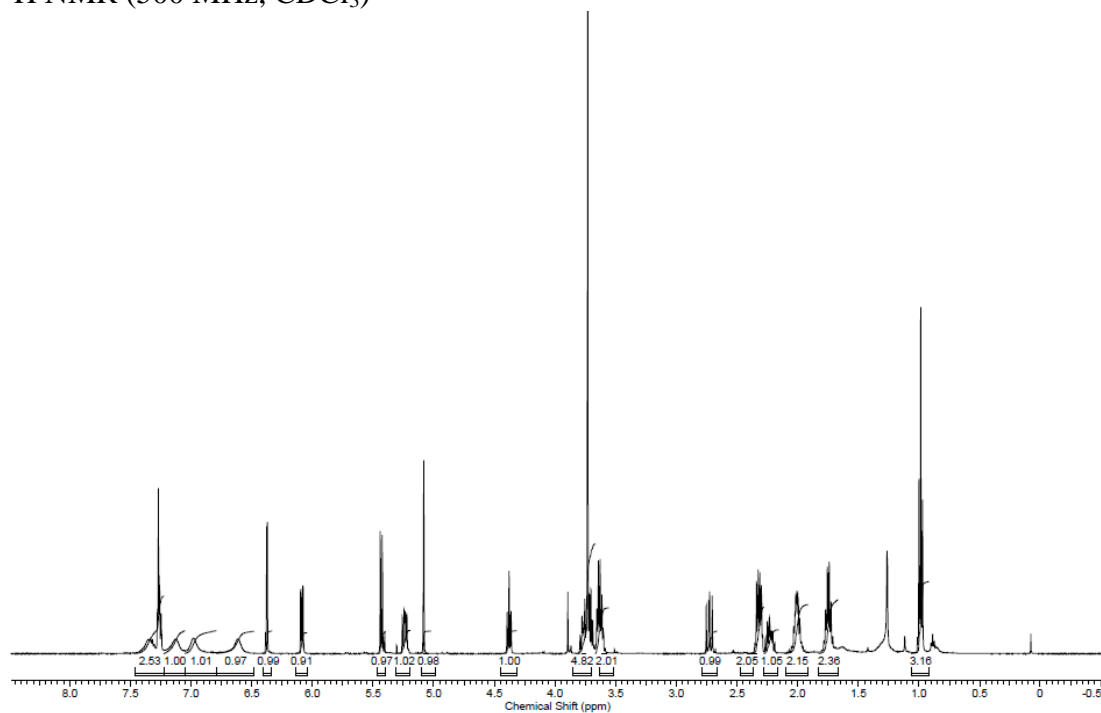


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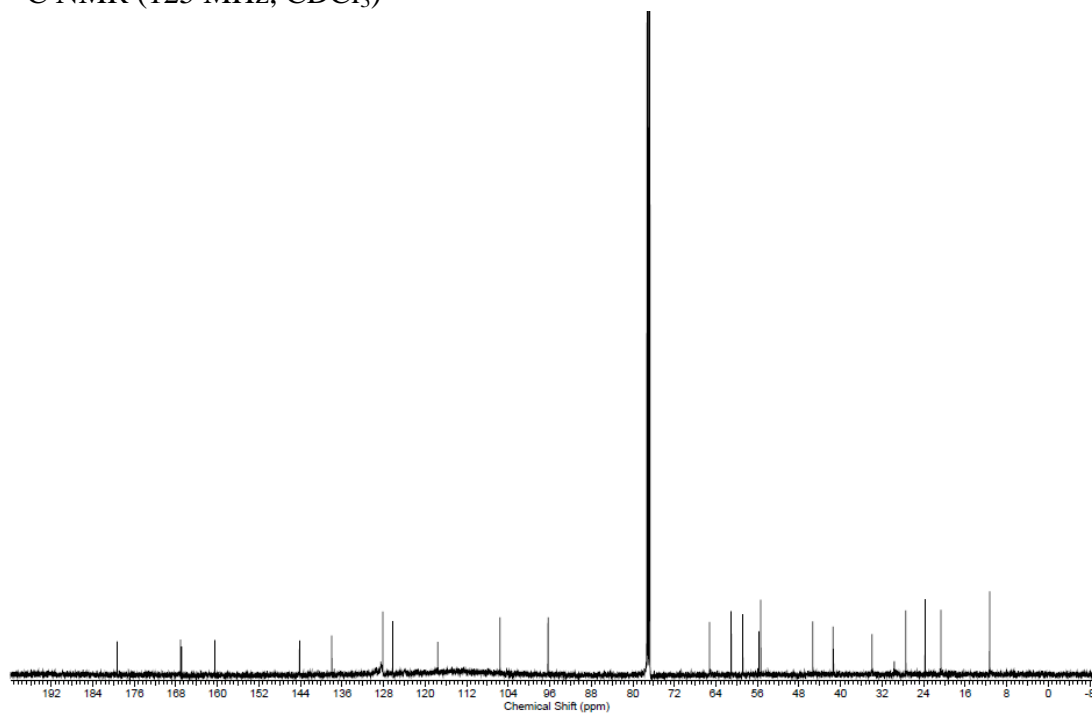


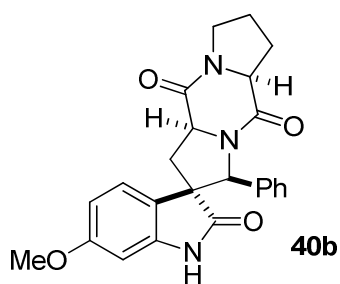


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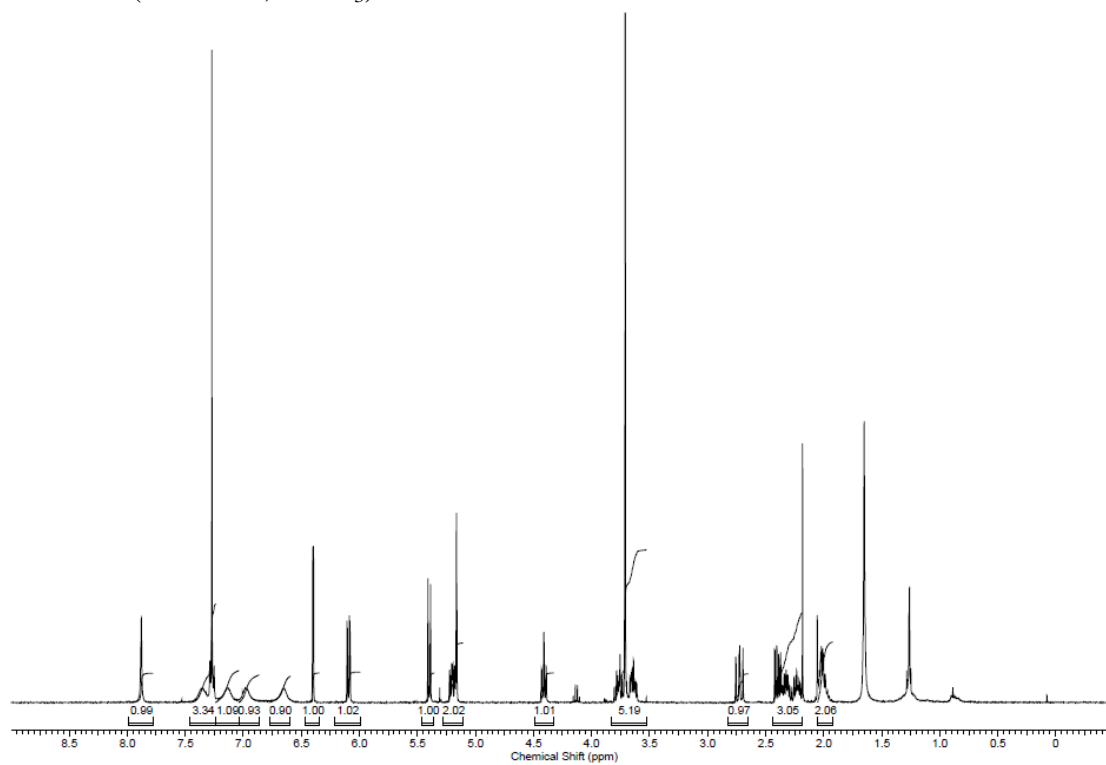


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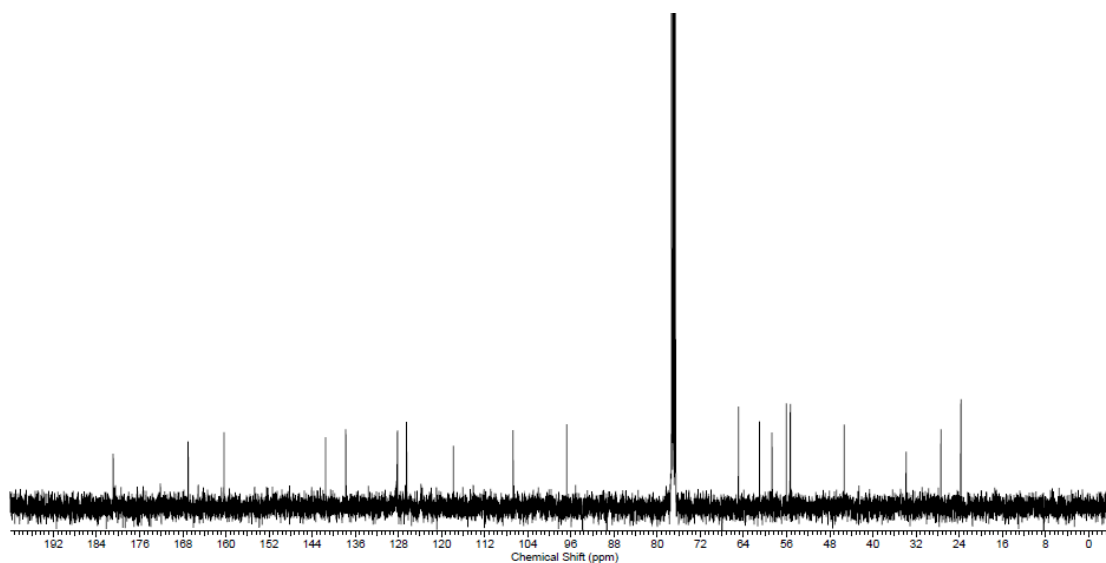


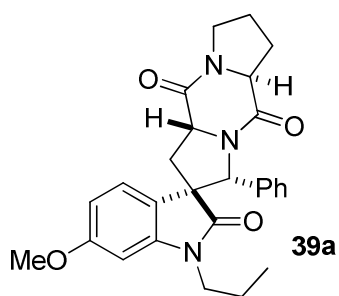


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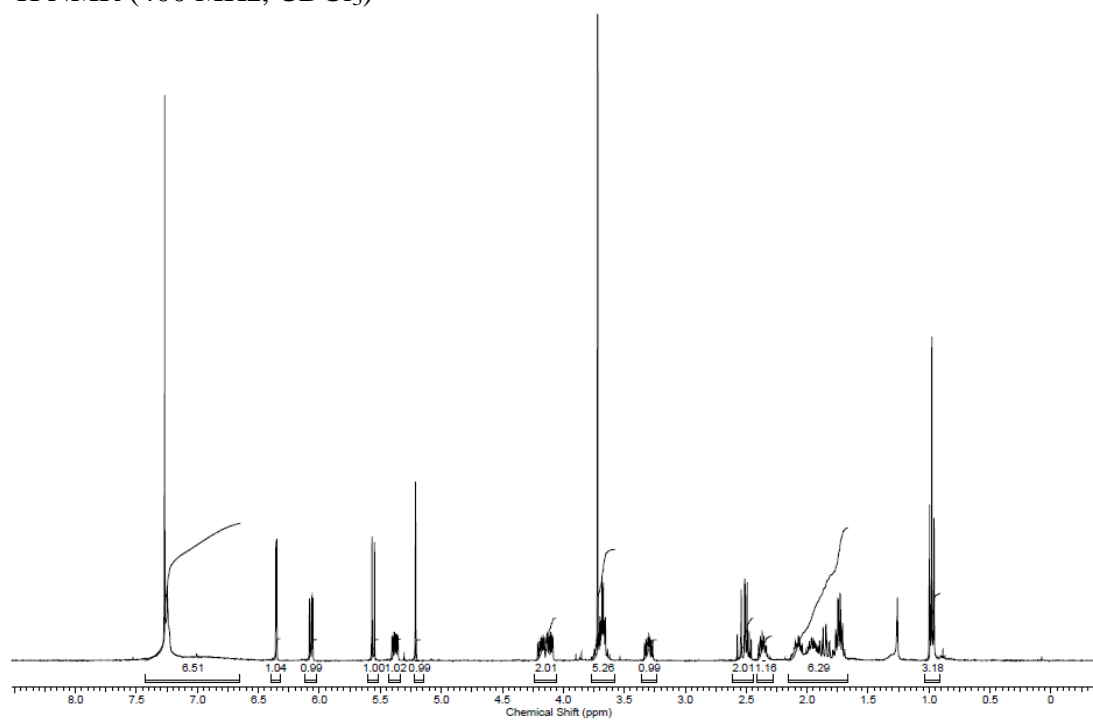


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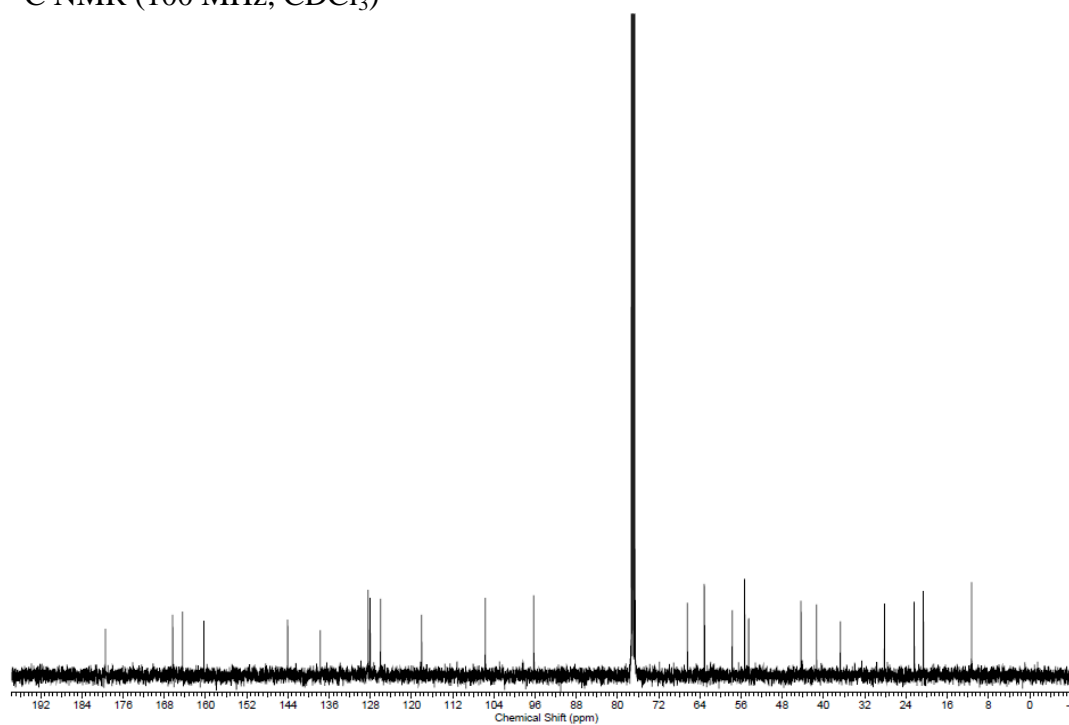


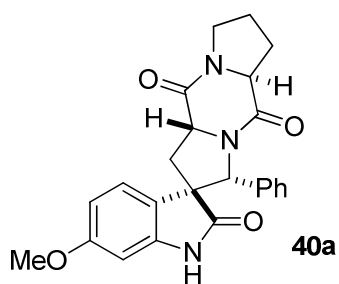


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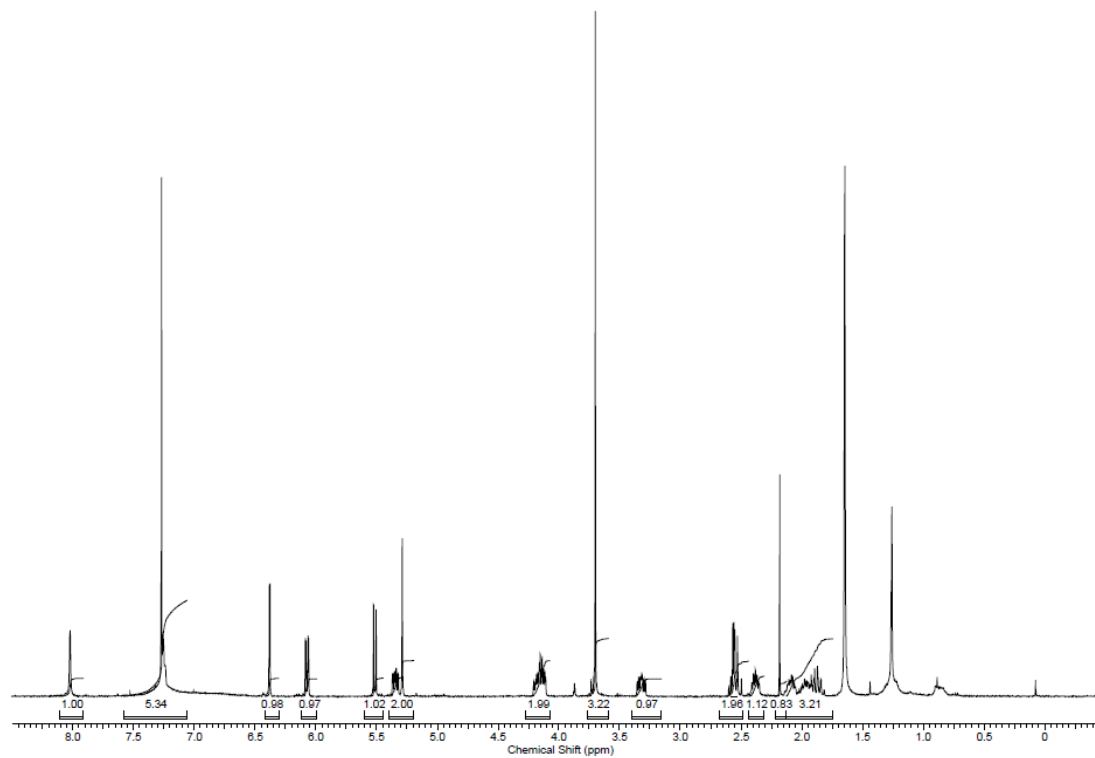


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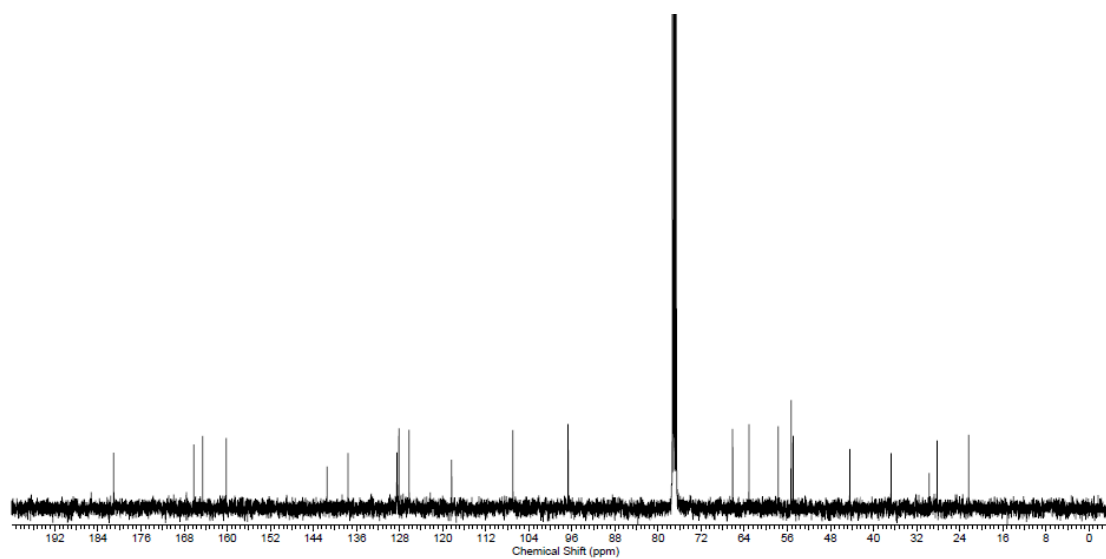


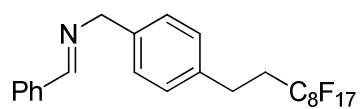


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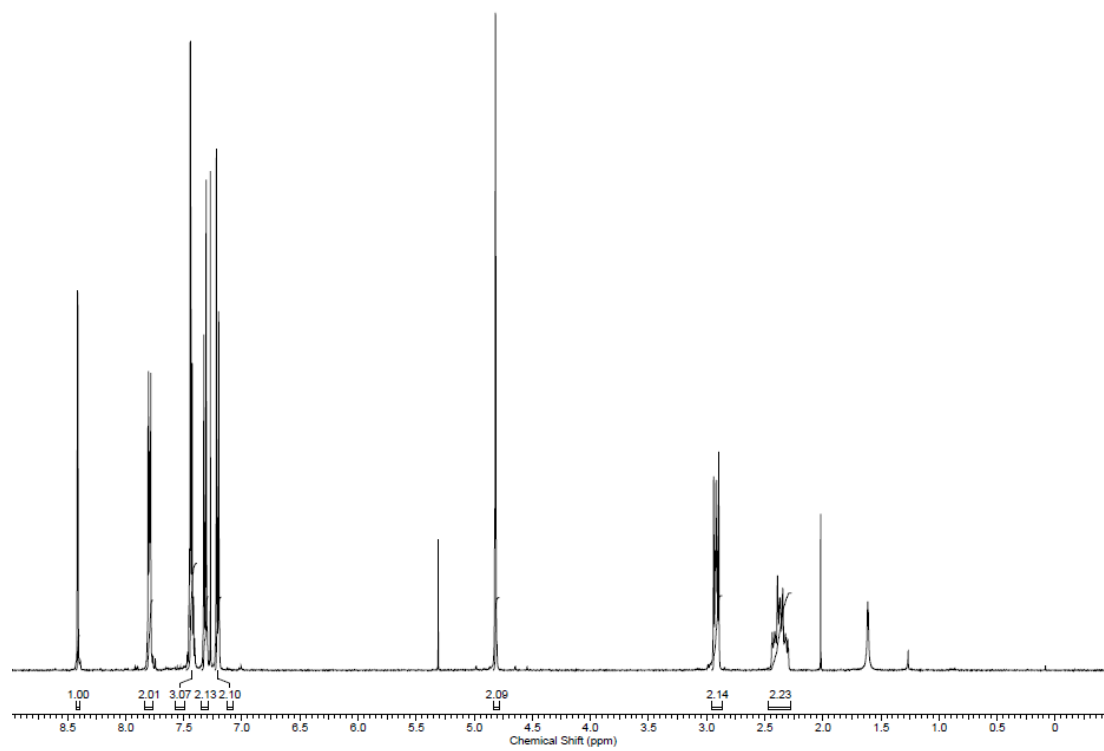


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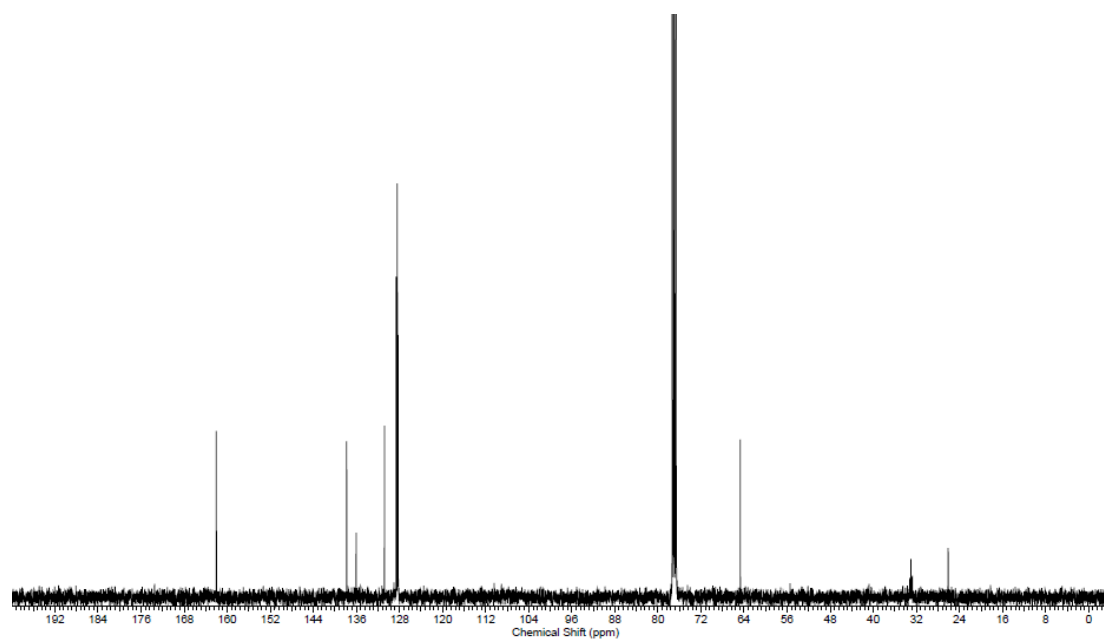


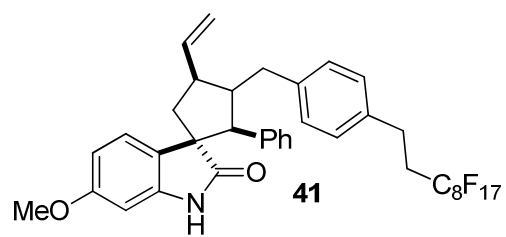
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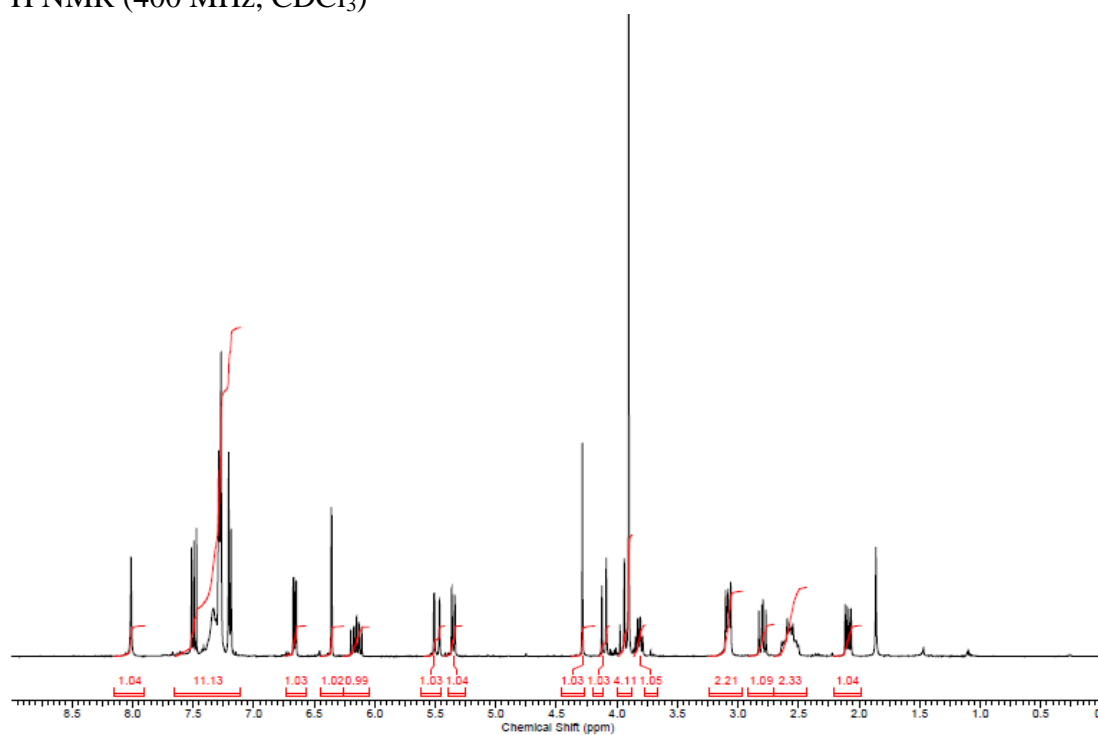
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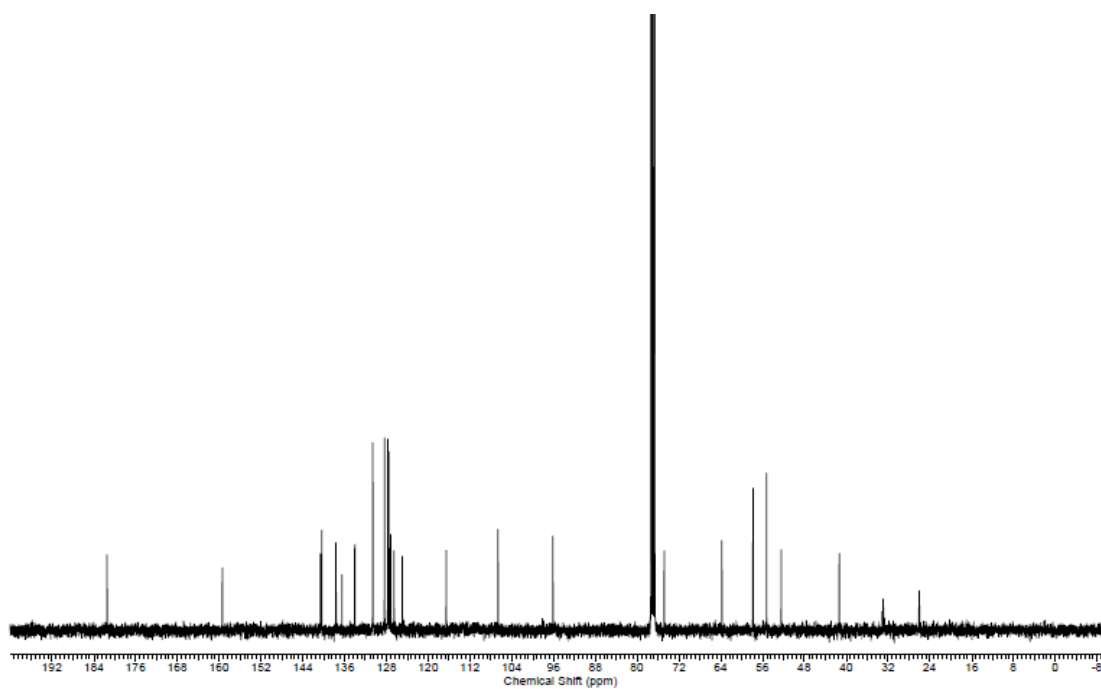


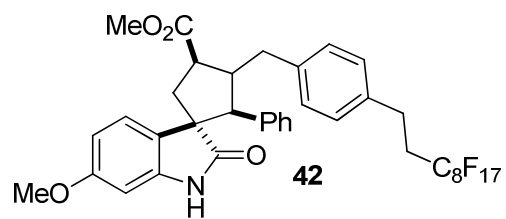


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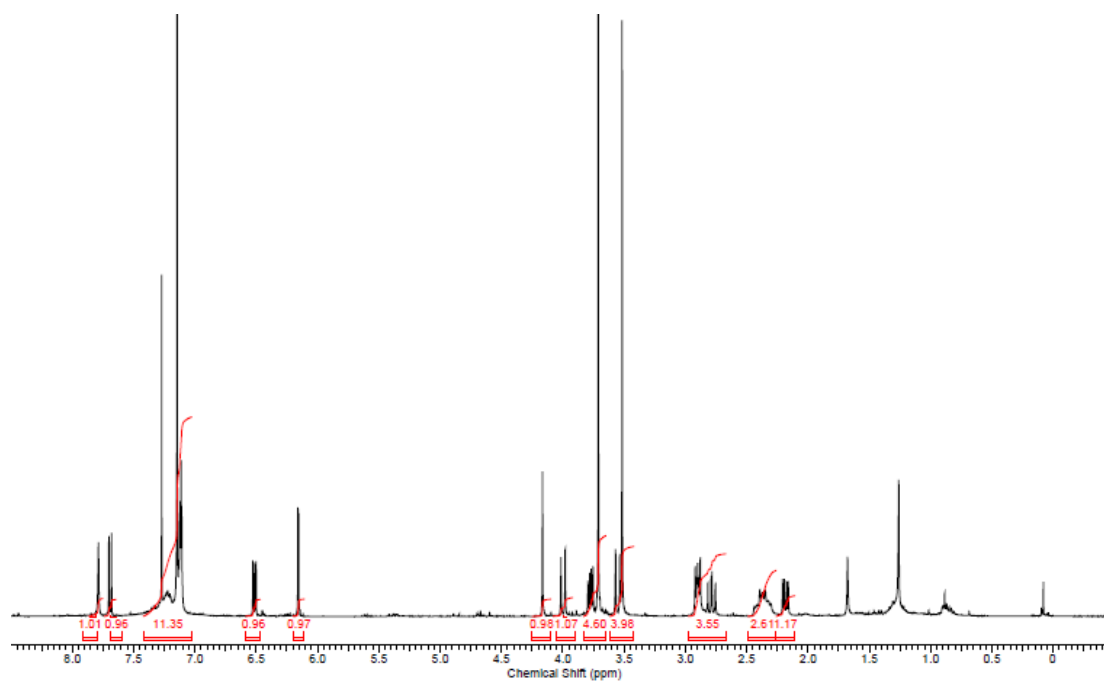


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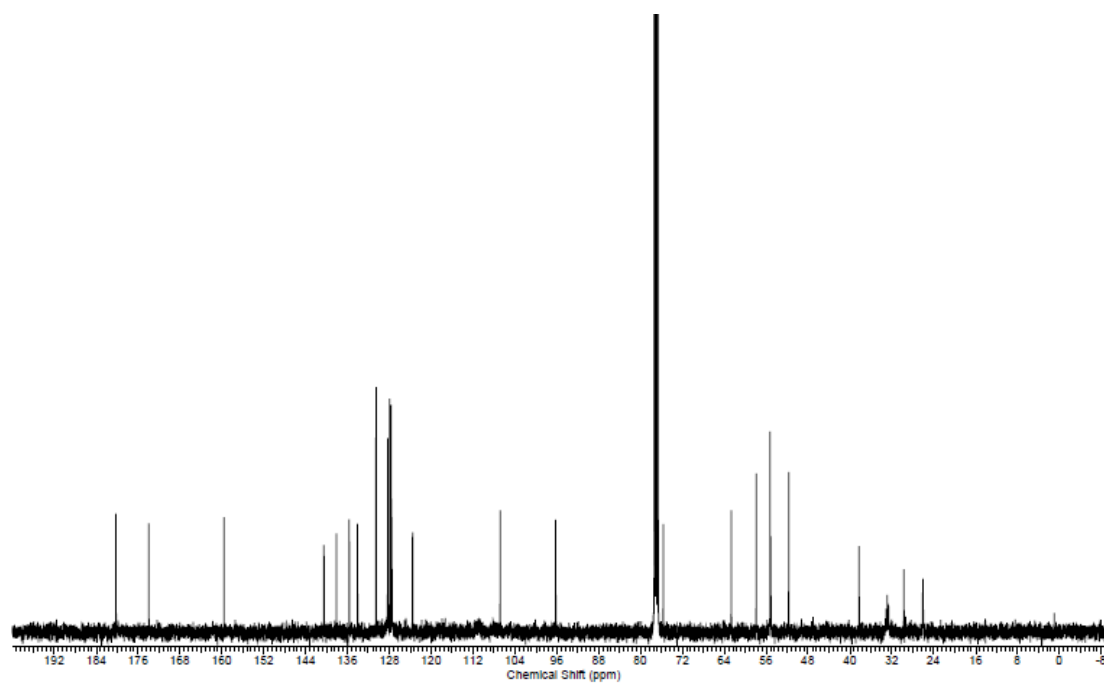




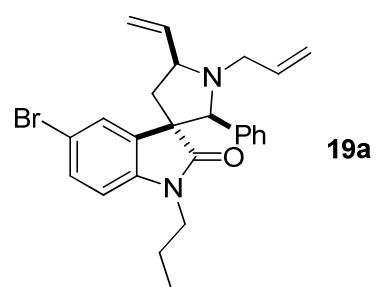
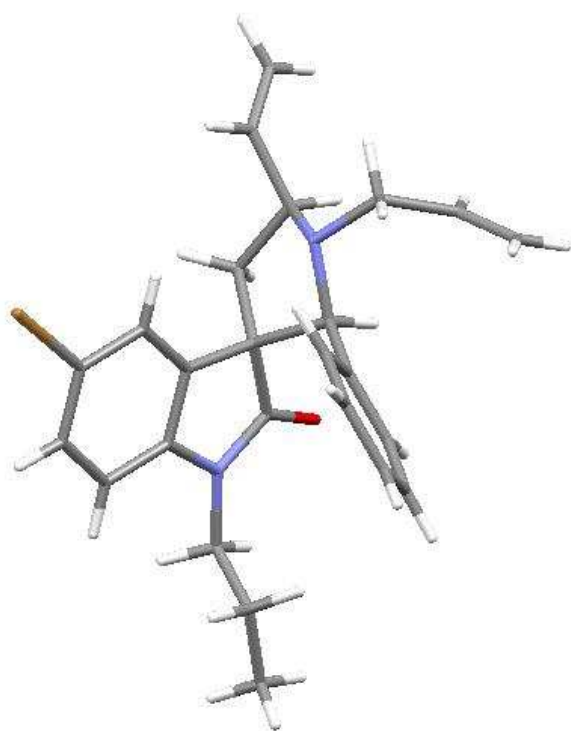
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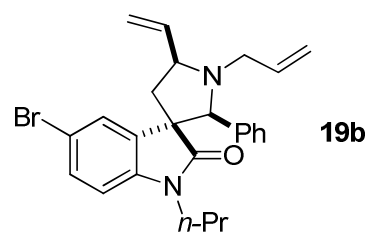
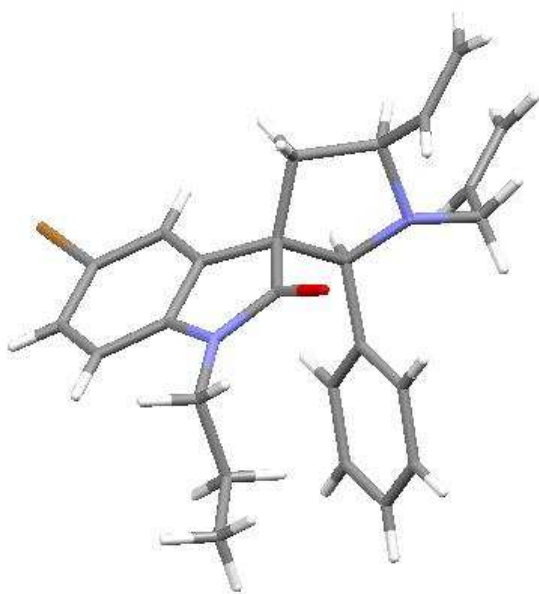
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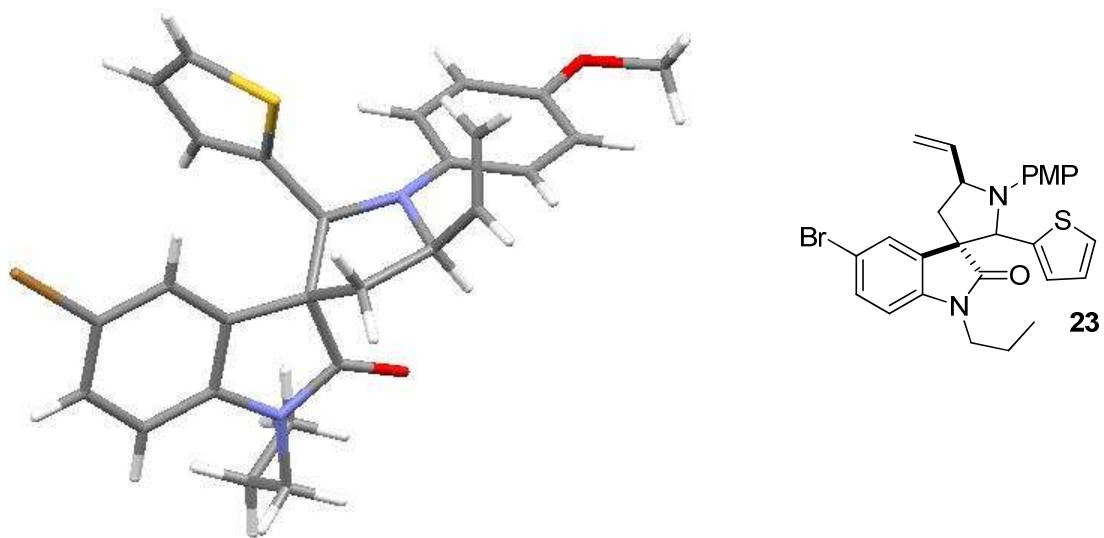
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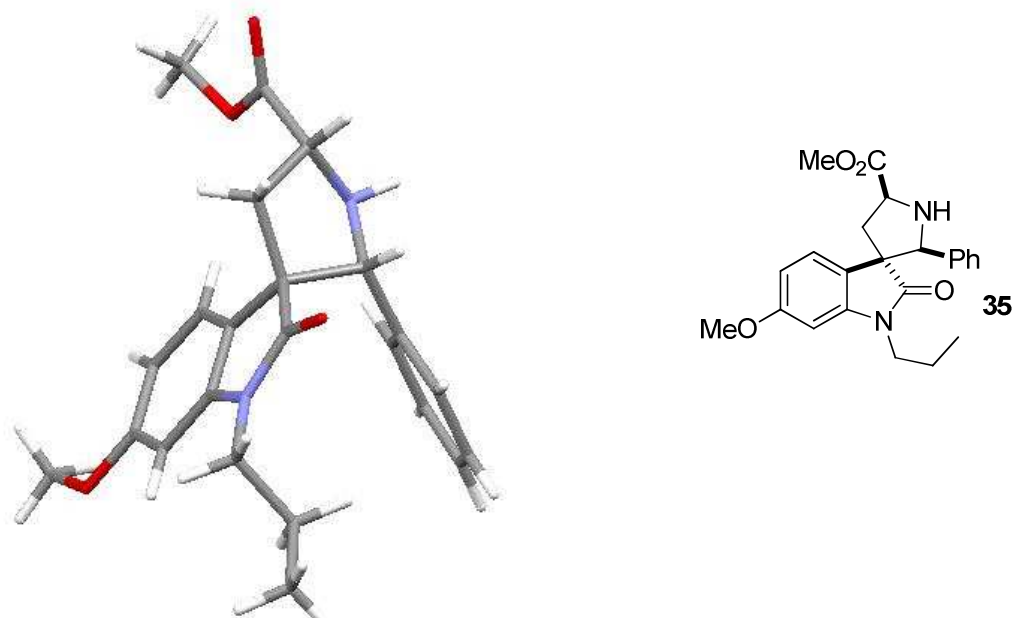
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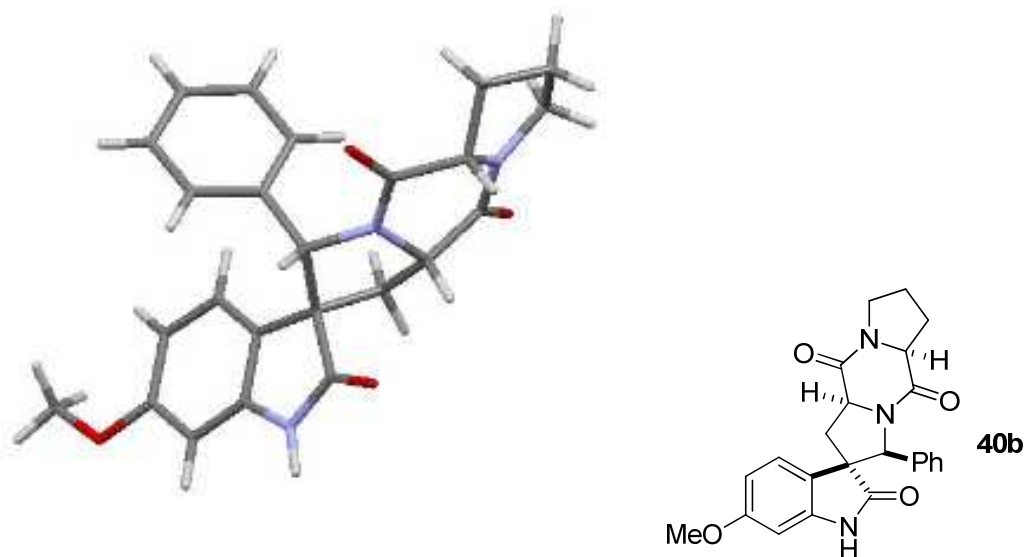
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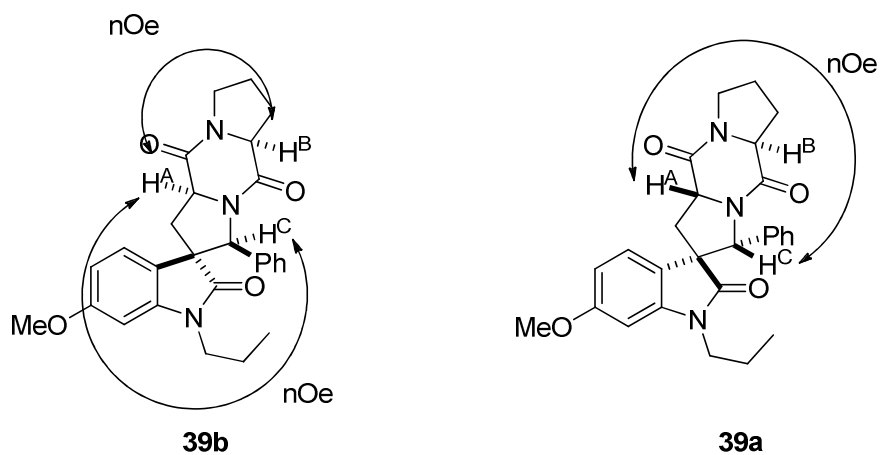
X-ray crystal structure of 35 (CCDC 780382):



X-ray crystal structure of 40b (CCDC 791298):



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