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A Unified Approach to Couple Aromatic Heteronucleophiles to Azines and Pharmaceuticals

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1. General Information

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra were recorded at ambient temperature on either a Bruker Ultrashield-400 (400 MHz) spectrometer, a Varian 400 MR (400 MHz) spectrometer or an Agilent Inova 400 (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm and quoted to the nearest 0.01 ppm relative to the residual protons in CDCl₃ (7.26 ppm), C₆D₆ (7.16 ppm), (CD₃)₂SO (2.50 ppm), CD₃OD (3.31 ppm) or CD₃CN (1.94 ppm) and coupling constants (1) are quoted in Hertz (Hz). Data are reported as follows: Chemical shift (number of protons, multiplicity, coupling constants). Coupling constants were quoted to the nearest 0.1 Hz and multiplicity reported according to the following convention: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qn = quintet, sext = sextet, sp = septet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Where coincident coupling constants have been observed, the apparent (app) multiplicity of the proton resonance has been reported. Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded at ambient temperature on either a Bruker Ultrashield-400 (400 MHz) spectrometer, a Varian 400 MR spectrometer (100 MHz) or an Agilent Inova 400 (100 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shift (δ) was measured in ppm and quoted to the nearest 0.1 ppm relative to the residual solvent peaks in $CDCl_3$ (77.0 ppm) or $(CD_3)_2SO$ (39.5 ppm). DEPT135, NOE experiments and 2-dimensional experiments (COSY, HMBC and HSQC) were used to support assignments where appropriate.

Low-resolution mass spectra (LRMS) were measured on an Agilent 6310 Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer. Infared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Tensor 27 FT-IR spectrometer as either solids or neat films, either through direct application or deposited in CHCl₃, with absorptions reported in wavenumbers (cm⁻¹).

Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using pre-coated Merck glass backed silica gel plates (Silicagel 60 F254). Flash column chromatography was undertaken on Fluka or Material Harvest silica gel (230–400 mesh) under a positive pressure of air. Visualization was achieved using ultraviolet light (254 nm) and chemical staining with basic potassium permanganate solution as appropriate.

Tetrahydrofuran (THF), toluene, hexane, diethyl ether and dichloromethane were dried and distilled using standard methods.¹ Ethyl acetate, Dimethoxyethane (DME), 1,4-dioxane, N,N-Dimethylformamide (DMF), chloroform, and acetone were purchased anhydrous from Sigma Aldrich chemical company. All reagents were purchased at the highest commercial quality and used without further purification. Reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen unless otherwise stated. All reactions were monitored by TLC, ¹H NMR spectra taken from reaction samples, gas chromatography (GC) and gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GCMS) using an Agilent 5977A fitted with an Agilent J&W HP-5ms Ultra Inert Column (30 m, 0.25 mm, 0.25 µm film) for MS analysis and an Agilent J&W VF-5ms column (10 m, 0.15 mm, 0.15 µm film) for FID analysis or liquid chromatography mass spectrometry (LCMS) using an Agilent 6310 Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer. Melting points (mp) were recorded using a Büchi B-450 melting point apparatus and are reported uncorrected.

PPh₃ (99%) was purchased from Oakwood Chemical and is most effective when crushed to a powder before use. Tf₂O (99%) was purchased from Oakwood Chemical and used without further purification but was routinely stored in a -20 °C fridge. NEt₃ and DBU were distilled before use. NaH (60% in mineral oil) was purchased from Sigma Aldrich and was typically distributed into vials and stored in a desiccator. KH (36.3% in Paraffin) was purchased from Sigma Aldrich and was kept in a Glovebox. *n*-BuLi (1.6M in Hexanes) was purchased from Sigma Aldrich and routinely stored in a -20 °C fridge. 15-Crown-5 was purchased from Oakwood Chemical Company and distilled before use and stored in a -20 °C fridge. 18-Crown-6 was purchased from Sigma Aldrich and routinely stored in a -20 °C fridge.

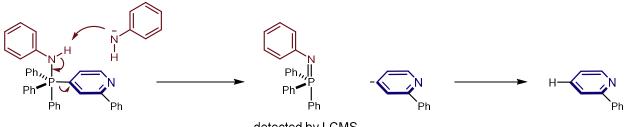
2. Challenging Substrates & Limitations

Some nucleophiles and heterocyclic phosphonium salts were unsuccessful for the coupling protocol disclosed in this communication. These cases are stated below along with hypothesized rationales of their unfavorable outcomes.

Nucleophiles:

All these nucleophiles were subjected to deprotonation conditions followed by the addition of Triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (1a).

Primary anilines do not form coupled products and we believe that the mechanism below is operative. An intermediate iminophosphorane is detected by LCMS and gives credibility to the mechanistic proposal.



detected by LCMS

m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M + H]⁺ 354.2, C₁₄H₉F₃NS⁺ requires 354.1

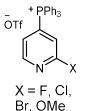
- Diphenyl amine showed no desired product formation. We believe that there is an unfavorable steric interaction from the phenyl

rings in the P(V) intermediate that disfavors ligand-coupling to from the C–N bond. Indole and carbazole are also unfavorable as coupling partners and again, our hypothesis is that unfavorable steric interactions from the C–H bonds on the aryl groups disfavor ligand-coupling.

- Only trace product was detected by LCMS for this 1,2,4-triazole when KH, 18-crown-6 \times THF were used. All other reaction conditions didn't show any evidence of the desired coupled product. A trend in this coupling process is that nucleophiles that are too electron-deficient can be unsuitable as coupling partners.

- 3-chlorophenol only produced 8% by of the desired product by crude ¹H NMR when ran at 60 °C using NaH, 15-crown-5 and THF. This trend of low yields was consistent among all other mono-halogenated phenols other than iodine (**2c**) and again indicates that nucleophiles that contain electron-withdrawing groups are less effective as coupling partners. OH - Both 2- and 3-hydroxypyridine did not form coupled products. As above, the withdrawing effect of the deficient heterocycle renders the intermediate oxyanion unsuitable for ligand coupling. The precise reasons for this effect are not completely clear at this point and are under investigation in our laboratory.

Limitations of Heterocyclic Phosphonium Salts:



-Halogens at the 2-position on the pyridine ring were unfavorable as coupling partners. We observed that an S_NAr pathway was competitive with the desired coupling at the 4-position and resulted in mixtures of products in poor yields. 2-Methoxy pyridine phosphonium salts also resulted in low yields of coupled products.

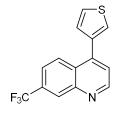


-3-position substituted salts were poor coupling partners for aniline nucleophiles resulting in little or no desired product. Cyano groups were the only 3-substituent that underwent coupling with aniline (**2ah**, **2av**).

 ⁺PPh₃
 - 2,6-disubstituted pyridines do not undergo phosphonium salt formation. Unfavorable steric interactions disfavor reaction with Tf₂O meaning the required N–Tf pyridinium salt is not properly formed. Yield for 2,6-disubstituted salts are consequently low (<5%).

3. Preparation of Heterocyclic Phosphonium Salt and Aromatic Heteronucleophile Precursors

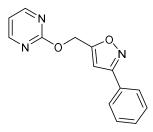
4-(Thiophen-3-yl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline



An oven dried 100 mL round bottom flask under N_2 was charged with 4-chloro-7-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline (973 mg, 4.20 mmol), thiophen-3-ylboronic acid (699 mg, 5.46 mmol),

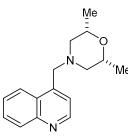
Pd(PPh₃)₄ (97 mg, 0.08 mmol), K₂CO₃ (1.74 g, 12.6 mmol), 12 mL of H₂O and 36 mL of 1,4dioxane. After 12 hours of stirring the reaction mixture under reflux was quenched with H₂O (20 mL), organic layer separated, and aqueous layer extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel: 16% EtOAc in hexanes) to provide the title compound as brown solid (1.147 g, 4.12 mmol, 98% yield). mp 91–93 °C; IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3104, 3064, 1584, 1566, 1506, 1459, 1373, 1325, 1290, 1244, 1219, 1207, 1191, 1156, 1059, 902, 884, 853, 833, 815, 794, 784, 767, 740; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.01 (1H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 8.47 (1H, s), 8.21 (1H, d, *J* = 1.4, 4.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 151.3, 147.8, 143.3, 137.6, 131.1 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 128.6, 128.3, 127.7 (q, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 127.1, 126.8, 125.4, 123.9 (q, *J* = 271.1 Hz), 122.6, 122.2 (q, *J* = 3.1 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -62.76; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M + H]⁺ 280.1, C₁₄H₉F₃NS⁺ requires 280.0.

3-Phenyl-5-((pyrimidin-2-yloxy)methyl)isoxazole



An oven dried 100 mL round bottom flask was charged with sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 1.5 equiv.). The flask was subjected to three cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill before addition of THF (14 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and a mixture of (3phenylisoxazol-5-yl)methanol (1.31 g, 7.50 mmol) in THF (7 mL) was added dropwise over 5 minutes, then allowed to stir for 30 mins at 0 °C. A solution of 2-chloropyrimidine (568 mg, 5 mmol) in THF (7 mL) was then added dropwise to the reaction mixture over 5 minutes. The reaction stirred at 0 °C for 5 minutes then was warmed to room temperature and allowed to stir for 14 hours. The mixture was quenched with water (25 mL) and diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL). The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 25 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel: 5% EtOAc in CH₂Cl₂) to provide the title compound as a white solid (993 mg, 3.92 mmol, 78% yield). mp 98-105 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3129, 3088, 3052, 2986, 1948, 2249, 2162, 1965, 1815, 1607, 1578, 1567, 1471, 1401, 1375, 1323, 1290, 1044, 688; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.57 (2H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 7.83-7.76 (2H, m), 7.48-7.42 (3H, m), 7.02 (1H, t, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 6.70 (1H, s), 5.59 (2H, ^{13}C **NMR** (100)MHz. CDCl₃) s); δ: 168.1, 164.3, 162.5, 159.5, 130.0, 128.9, 128.8, 126.8, 115.8, 101.6, 59.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found $[M + H]^+$ 254.2, C₁₄H₁₂N₃O_{2⁺} requires 254.1.

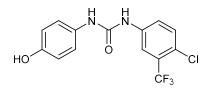
(2R,6S)-2,6-Dimethyl-4-(quinolin-4-ylmethyl)morpholine



An oven-dried 200 mL round bottom flask was charged with 4-quinolinecarboxaldehyde (2.36 g, 15.0 mmol), *cis*-2,6,-dimethylmorpholine (2.03 mL, 16.5 mmol), and sodium triacetoxyhydroborate (6.36 g, 30.0 mmol). The flask was subjected to three cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill. CH₂Cl₂ (75 mL) was added to the reaction flask along with glacial AcOH (1.73 mL). After 1 hour stirring at room temperature, the reaction was quenched with a saturated aqeuous solution of NH₄Cl (30 mL), diluted with CH₂Cl₂, and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was basified with a saturated aqueous solution of NH₄Cl (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel: 50% EtOAc in hexanes) to provide the title compound as a yellow oil (2.98 g, 11.6 mmol, 77% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3035, 2971, 2868, 2813, 2774, 980, 815, 662, 645, 591; ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.84 (1H, d, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 8.23 (1H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 8.11 (1H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.70 (1H, m), 7.54 (1H, m), 7.40 (1H, d, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 3.87 (2H, s), 3.69 (2H, m), 2.72 (2H, d, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 1.87 (2H, t, *J* = 10.7 Hz), 1.13 (6H, d, *J* = 6.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 150.0, 148.3, 143.6, 129.9, 129.1, 127.6, 126.3, 124.2, 121.4, 71.7 (2C), 59.6, 19.0; *m/z* LRMS (ESI+ APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 257.2, C₁₆H₂₀N₂O⁺ requires 257.2.

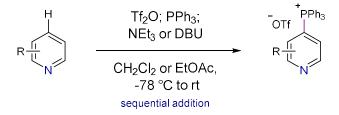
1-(4-Chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-(4-hydroxyphenyl)urea (3)



An oven dried 200 mL round bottom flask was charged with 4-aminophenol (546 mg, 5.00 mmol). The flask was subjected to three cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill before addition of CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL). A 0.2 M solution of 1-chloro-4-isocyanato-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzene in THF (25 mL) was added dropwise to the reaction flask and stirred at room temperature for 16 hrs. The reaction mixture was then filtered and rinsed with CH₂Cl₂ and H₂O. The material was then further purified by flash chromatography (silica gel: 35% EtOAc in Toluene) to provide the title compound as a white solid (1.11 g, 3.36 mmol, 84% yield). mp 185-195 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3293, 3109, 2359, 1896, 1672, 1623, 1557, 1480, 1326, 1261, 1180, 1145, 1124, 1031, 831; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ : 9.12 (1H, s), 9.03 (1H, s), 8.48 (1H, s), 8.10 (1H, d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 7.64-7.56 (2H, m), 7.23 (2H, d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 6.70 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ : 153.9, 152.6, 139.7, 131.9, 130.5, 126.6 (q, *J* = 30.7 Hz), 122.9 (q, *J* = 273.4 Hz), 122.8 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 121.8, 121.0, 116.5 (q, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 115.2; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ : -61.46; *m*/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M + H]⁺ 331.1, C₁₄H₁₁ClF₃N₂O₂⁺ requires 331.0.

4. Preparation of Heterocyclic Phosphonium Salts

General Procedure A



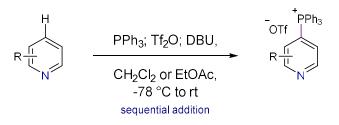
An oven dried 8 mL vial (≤ 0.5 mmol scale) or a round bottom flask (> 0.5 mmol scale) equipped with a stir bar was charged with the heterocycle (1.0 equiv) and placed under a nitrogen atmosphere. CH₂Cl₂ (0.1 M) was added, the reaction vessel cooled to -78 °C and Tf₂O (1.0 equiv) was added dropwise over 5 minutes. The reaction was stirred for 30 minutes before PPh_3 (1.1) equiv) was added in one portion. The reaction was subjected to three rapid cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill and was stirred for a further 30 minutes at -78 °C. The stated organic base (NEt₃ or DBU, 1.0 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe, the cooling bath was removed, and the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature while stirring (approximately 15-30 minutes). The reaction mixture was quenched with H₂O (approximately the same volume as CH₂Cl₂) and the mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel. The mixture was diluted CH₂Cl₂ and the resulting organic layer was washed three times with H₂O. The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to approximately 2-10 mL (depending on the scale of the reaction). An excess of chilled Et₂O (0 °C) was added to the concentrated solution that was then placed in a -20 °C refrigerator for approximately 1 hour. The resulting suspension was filtered on a frit, the solid washed with chilled Et₂O (0 °C) and dried in vacuo to provide the pure phosphonium salt.

Notes.

- 1) PPh₃ was crushed into a powder prior to use.
- Certain substrates require longer periods for the precipitation step and specific cases are indicated below.

- 3) In a small number of cases, residual CH₂Cl₂ can become trapped in the phosphonium salt products. In these cases, heating the salts under vacuum (50-100 °C) removed the solvent.
- 4) In order to evaluate regioselectivity from the crude reaction mixtures, a duplicate reaction was performed, and aliquots taken after addition of the organic base and warming to room temperature. These aliquots were concentrated *in vacuo* and analyzed by ¹H and ³¹P NMR.

General Procedure B



An oven dried 8 mL vial (≤ 0.5 mmol scale) or a round bottom flask (> 0.5 mmol scale) equipped with a stir bar was charged with the heterocycle (1.0 equiv) and PPh₃ (1.0 equiv) and placed under a nitrogen atmosphere. CH₂Cl₂ (0.1 M) was added, the reaction vessel cooled to -78 °C and Tf₂O (1.0 equiv) was added dropwise over 5 minutes. The reaction was stirred^{*} for 1 hour before DBU (1.0 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe, the cooling bath removed, and the reaction warmed to room temperature while stirring (approximately 15-30 minutes). The reaction mixture was quenched with H₂O (approximately the same volume as CH₂Cl₂) and the mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel. The mixture was diluted CH₂Cl₂ and the resulting organic layer was washed three times with H₂O. The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to approximately 2-10 mL (depending on the scale of the reaction). An excess of chilled Et₂O (0 °C) was added to the concentrated solution that was then placed in a -20 °C refrigerator for approximately 1 hour. The resulting suspension was filtered on a frit, the solid washed with chilled Et₂O (0 °C) and dried *in vacuo* to provide the pure phosphonium salt.

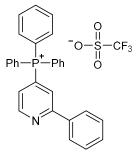
Notes.

1) PPh₃ was crushed into a powder prior to use.

^{*} The reaction vessel was placed directly on the middle of the stir plate and the mixture stirred at 1400-2000 rpms for the duration of the reaction.

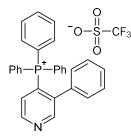
- Certain substrates require longer periods for the precipitation step and specific cases are indicated below.
- 3) In a small number of cases, residual CH₂Cl₂ can become trapped in the phosphonium salt products. In these cases, heating the salts under vacuum (50-100 °C) removed the solvent.
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Triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (1a)



Prepared according to our previous report.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.01 (1H, app t, J = 5.1 Hz), 7.93-7.54 (18H, m), 7.50 (1H, ddd, J = 17.8, 5.1, 1.1 Hz), 7.42-7.36 (3H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ :159.1 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 151.6 (d, J = 10.7 Hz), 136.7 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 136.1 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 134.3 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 130.9 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 130.4, 129.23 (d, J = 84.1 Hz), 129.0, 127.0, 125.3 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), 123.1, (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 120.7 (q, J = 321.1 Hz), 115.5 (d, J = 89.1 Hz). The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our previous synthesis.²

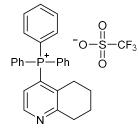
Triphenyl(3-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to our previous report.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.95 (1H, app t, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 8.74 (1H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 7.85-7.73 (3H, m), 7.73-7.40 (13H, m), 7.11 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz),

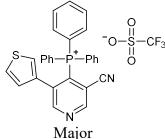
6.91 (2H, app t, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.71 (2H, d, J = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 153.6 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 150.0 (d, J = 10.4 Hz), 141.7 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 135.4 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 134.4 (d, J = 4.5 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 10.3 Hz), 130.6 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 129.2, 128.9, 128.3, 128.2, 126.4 (d, J = 83.4 Hz), 120.8 (q, J = 321.2 Hz), 116.9 (d, J = 89.2 Hz). The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our previous synthesis.²

Triphenyl(5,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinolin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to our previous report.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ : 8.74 (1H, app t, J = 5.1 Hz), 8.07-7.93 (3H, m), 7.92-7.71 (12H, m), 6.94 (1H, dd, J = 15.3, 5.1 Hz), 3.12-2.97 (2H, m), 2.21-2.04 (2H, m), 1.84-1.71(2H, m), 1.60-1.44 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 160.3 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 148.2 (d, J = 11.4 Hz), 135.5 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 135.3 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.1 (d, J = 10.7 Hz), 130.5 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 126.2 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 125.5 (d, J = 82.4 Hz), 120.4 (q, J = 322.0 Hz), 116.3 (d, J = 87.7 Hz), 32.0 (d, J = 2.3 Hz), 29.7 (d, J = 5.3 Hz), 21.0, 20.5. The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our previous synthesis.²

(3-Cyano-5-(thiophen-3-yl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate

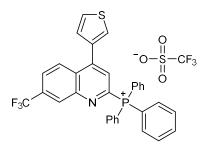


11.4:1 Mixture of Regioisomers

Prepared according to our previous report.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ: 9.45 (1H, d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 9.07 (1H, d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 7.98-7.84 (9H, m), 7.77-7.67 (6H, m), 7.21-7.16 (1H, m), 7.13 (1H,

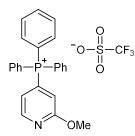
br s), 6.57 (1H, d, *J* = 4.9 Hz); Major isomer, ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ: 157.0 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 154.7 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 140.2 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 135.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 134.5 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz), 130.4 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz), 128.5, 128.3 (d, *J* = 84.5 Hz), 128.3, 127.8, 120.7 (q, *J* = 322.4 Hz), 117.0 (d, *J* = 88.5 Hz), 113.9 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 113.2 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz).

Triphenyl(4-(thiophen-3-yl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



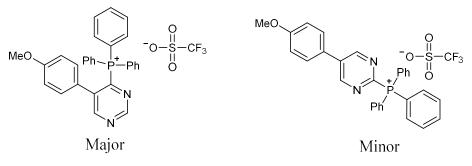
Prepared according to general procedure B (except the reaction was cooled to -50 °C for the Tf₂O addition, then cooled to -78 °C for the DBU addition) using 4-(thiophen-3-yl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline (805 mg, 2.88 mmol), PPh₃ (831 mg, 3.17 mmol), Tf₂O (484 µL, 2.88 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (29 mL). After the purification procedure the pure phosphonium salt was isolated as an off-white solid (1.68 g, 2.33 mmol, 81% yield). mp 234-237 °C; IR v_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 3064, 1739, 1575, 1540, 1501, 1484, 1439, 1421, 1378, 1335, 1224, 1167, 1140, 1108, 1065, 1030, 997, 918, 835, 797, 785, 748, 728, 701, 689, 663, 631; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 8.52 (1H, s), 8.40 (1H, d, *J* = 8.9 Hz), 7.92–7.87 (4H, m), 7.82–7.75 (14H, m), 7.55 (1H, dd, *J* = 3.0, 4.7 Hz), 7.34 (1H, *J* = 4.9 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) & 148.6, 148.3, 147.5, 146.5 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz), 146.4, 135.9 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 135.5 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 134.7 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 133.2 (q, *J* = 33.2 Hz), 130.7 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz), 128.6 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 125.9–125.6 (m), 123.2 (q, *J* = 271.7 Hz), 120.7 (q, *J* = 319.6 Hz), 116.7 (d, *J* = 88.0 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) &: -63.08, -78.20; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) &: 15.62; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M-OTf]⁺ 540.2, C₃₂H₂₂F₃NPS⁺ requires 540.1.

Triphenyl(2-methoxypyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to general procedure A using 2-methoxypyridine (52.5 μ L, 0.50 mmol), PPh₃ (144 mg, 0.55 mmol), Tf₂O (84 μ L, 0.50 mmol), DBU (75 μ L, 0.50 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (5.0 mL). After the purification procedure, the title compound was isolated as a white solid (174 mg, 0.34 mmol, 67% yield). mp 149-154 °C; IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 3063, 2956, 2360, 1980, 1583, 1438, 1380, 1264, 1143, 1107, 1031, 722, 635; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.57 (1H, t, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.97-7.87 (3H, m), 7.85-7.74 (6H, m), 7.71-7.59 (6H, m), 7.12 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 5.0 Hz), 6.84 (1H, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz), 4.01 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.5 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz), 149.8 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz), 136.1 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 134.2 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz), 130.9 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz), 130.5 (d, *J* = 85.2 Hz), 120.7 (q, *J* = 321.2 Hz), 118.8 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 116.2 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 115.6 (d, *J* = 89.6 Hz), 54.3; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -78.17; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 22.37; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M-OTf]⁺ 519.1, C₂₄H₂₁NOP⁺ requires 519.1.

(5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate

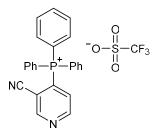


24:1 Mixture of Regioisomers

Prepared according to our previous report.² Major isomer, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 9.44 (1H, s), 8.98 (1H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.80-7.70 (3H, m), 7.67-7.56 (12H, m), 6.91 (2H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 6.55 (2H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 3.72 (3H, s); Minor isomer, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 9.23 (2H, s),

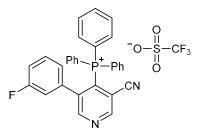
7.80-7.70 (3H, m), 7.70 (2H, d, J = 8.7 Hz), 7.67-7.56 (12H, m), 7.09 (2H, d, J = 8.6 Hz), 3.88 (3H, s); Major isomer, ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 161.8 (d, J = 5.3 Hz), 160.5, 157.0 (d, J = 16.8 Hz), 149.7 (d, J = 114.5 Hz), 142.7 (d, J = 19.2 Hz), 135.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.7 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 130.6, 130.3 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 123.6, 120.8 (q, J = 321.3 Hz), 117.1 (d, J = 88.6 Hz), 114.4, 55.4.

(3-Cyanopyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



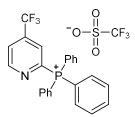
Prepared according to our previous report.⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ: 9.21 (1H, dd, J = 4.2, 4.1), 9.16 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz), 7.95–7.91 (3H, m), 7.83–7.71 (13H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ: 155.5 (d, J = 9.2 Hz), 154.9 (d, J = 5.5 Hz), 136.4 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.7 (d, J = 10.7 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 13.3 Hz), 130.9 (d, J = 82.7 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 7.4 Hz), 120.6 (q, J = 319.6 Hz), 114.4 (d, J = 89.5 Hz), 113.6 (d, J = 5.1 Hz), 111.8.

(3-Cyano-5-(3-fluorophenyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



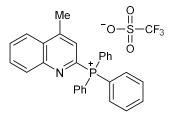
Prepared according to our previous report.⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ: 9.10 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.2 Hz), 8.83 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.5, 1.1 Hz), 7.92-7.44 (15H, m), 7.02-6.92 (1H, m), 6.84-6.73 (2H, m), 6.70 (1H, d, *J* = 8.9 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ: 162.6 (d, *J* = 247.8 Hz), 152.8, 147.3, 140.1, 137.6 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 135.6, 130.3 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 129.0, 128.7, 127.9, 125.4 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 116.7 (d, *J*, 22.5 Hz), 116.0 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 115.1.

Triphenyl(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



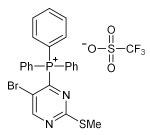
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(4-Methylquinolin-2-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



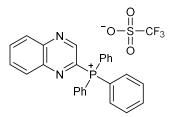
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(5-Bromo-2-(methylthio)pyrimidin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



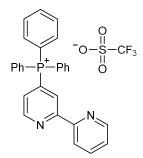
Prepared according to our previous report.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.82 (1H, d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 7.97-7.85 (3H, m), 7.83-7.66 (12H, m), 2.15 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 173.9 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz), 162.0 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 151.4 (d, *J* = 118.7 Hz), 136.1 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 134.8 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 130.7 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz), 120.9 (q, *J* = 321.2 Hz), 120.9 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz), 115.0 (d, *J* = 89.9 Hz), 14.4.

Triphenyl(quinoxalin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



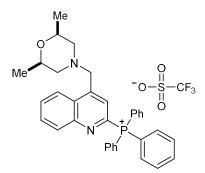
Prepared according to our previous report.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.99 (1H, s), 8.27-8.22 (2H, m), 8.09-8.01 (2H, m), 7.93-7.90 (3H, m), 7.79-7.72 (12H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 145.9 (d, J = 25.4 Hz), 143.4 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 142.7 (d, J = 17.3 Hz), 140.8 (d, J = 111.6 Hz), 136.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 135.0, 134.7 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 133.1, 130.9 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 129.9 (d, J = 2.3 Hz), 120.8 (q, J = 319.5 Hz), 116.0 (d, J = 88.1 Hz).

[2,2'-Bipyridin]-4-yltriphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to our previous report.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.06 (1H, app t, J = 5.1 Hz), 8.65 (1H, d, J = 13.8 Hz), 8.55 (1H, d, J = 4.4 Hz), 8.46 (1H, d, J = 7.9 Hz), 7.96-7.88 (3H, m), 7.87-7.74 (7H, m), 7.72-7.55 (7H, m), 7.35 (1H, dd, J = 7.7, 4.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 157.8 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 153.4 (d, J = 2.3 Hz), 151.4 (d, J = 10.7 Hz), 149.3, 137.3, 136.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.4 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 129.3 (d, J = 83.9 Hz), 126.9 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 125.1, 123.9 (d, J = 9.2 Hz), 121.7, 120.8 (q, J = 321.2 Hz), 115.8 (d, J = 89.3 Hz).

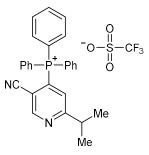
(4-(((2R,6S)-2,6-Dimethylmorpholino)methyl)quinolin-2-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to general procedure B (except the reaction was cooled to -50 °C for the Tf₂O addition, then cooled to -78 °C for the DBU addition) using (2R,6S)-2,6-dimethyl-4-(quinolin-4-ylmethyl)morpholine (558 mg, 2.18 mmol), PPh₃ (629.3 mg, 2.39 mmol), Tf₂O (340 μ L, 2.18 mmol), DBU (325 μ L, 2.18 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (22 mL). After the purification procedure, the title compound was isolated as a white solid (994 mg, 1.49 mmol, 68% yield). mp 188-195 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3072, 2972, 2937, 2825, 1576, 1439, 1267, 1144, 1110, 1027, 727, 633; ¹H NMR

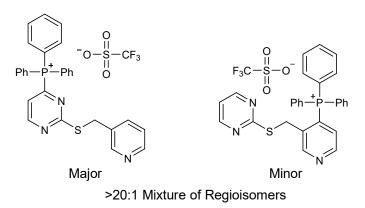
(400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.26 (2H, dd, J = 8.4, 16.5 Hz), 7.96-7.70 (18H, m), 4.02 (2H, s), 3.50-3.38 (2H, m), 2.60 (2H, d, J = 10.7 Hz), 1.92 (2H, t, J = 10.5 Hz), 1.10 (6H, d, J = 6.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 149.0 (d, J = 22.2 Hz), 148.2 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 144.7 (d, J = 117.6 Hz), 135.7 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 134.7 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 131.7, 130.9, 130.6, 130.6 (d, J = 12.9 Hz), 127.9 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 124.0, 123.6 (d, J = 27.4 Hz), 120.9 (q, J = 321.1 Hz), 117.4 (d, J = 88.2 Hz), 71.6, 59.3, 58.1, 18.9 ; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -78.09; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 14.47; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found 517.3 [M-OTf]⁺, C₃₄H₃₄N₂OP⁺ requires 517.2.

(5-Cyano-2-isopropylpyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



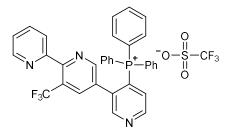
Prepared according to general procedure A using 6-isopropylnicotinonitrile (438.6 mg, 3.0 mmol), Tf₂O (500 µL, 3.0 mmol), PPh₃ (866 mg, 3.3 mmol), DBU (450 µL, 3.0 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL). After the purification procedure, the title compound was isolated as an off-white solid (1.02 g, 1.83 mmol, 61% yield). mp 59-66 °C; IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3063, 2970, 2933, 2873, 2228, 1571, 1481, 1439, 1259, 1147, 1106, 1029; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.10 (1H, d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.96-7.90 (3H, m), 7.86-7.73 (12H, m), 7.34 (1H, d, *J* = 15.3 Hz), 3.20 (1H, sp, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 1.27 (6H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 174.5 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz), 154.8 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz), 136.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 134.6 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz), 131.0 (d, *J* = 82.5 Hz), 131.0 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz), 127.6 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 120.6 (q, *J* = 321.2 Hz), 114.4 (d, *J* = 89.8 Hz), 113.9 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 108.9 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 36.9, 21.5; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -78.22; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 23.07; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M-OTf]⁺ 407.2, C₂₇H₂₄N₂P⁺ requires 407.2.

Triphenyl(2-((pyridin-3-ylmethyl)thio)pyrimidin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to our previous report.⁷ Major isomer, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.04 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 5.0 Hz), 8.54-8.35 (2H, m), 8.03-7.57 (17H, m), 7.34-7.11 (1H, m), 4.29 (2H, s); Major isomer, ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 173.7 (d, J = 17.6 Hz), 160.6 (d, J = 7.4 Hz), 154.6 (d, J = 111.5 Hz), 149.6, 148.6, 136.2, 136.1 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 134.6 (d, J = 10.3 Hz), 132.2, 130.7 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 123.4, 123.1 (d, J = 20.3 Hz), 120.7 (q, J = 321.1 Hz), 114.9 (d, J = 88.9 Hz), 32.5.

Triphenyl(3'-(trifluoromethyl)-[2,2':5',3''-terpyridin]-4''-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate

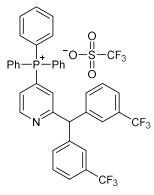


13.4:1:1 Mixture of Regioisomers

Prepared according to our previous report.³ Major Isomer, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 9.08 (1H, app t, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 8.79 (1H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 8.70 (1H, d, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 8.27 (1H, d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.87-7.58 (18H, m), 7.55 (1H, d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.39 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.8, 4.7 Hz); Major Isomer, ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 156.1, 155.3, 153.1 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 151.3 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz), 151.0, 150.6,

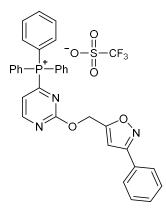
148.8, 136.4, 136.2-136.1(m), 135.7 (d, J = 6.5 Hz), 135.7 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 10.3 Hz), 130.7 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 128.7 (d, J = 9.0 Hz), 127.5 (d, J = 83.1 Hz), 123.9 (q, J = 33.8 Hz), 123.8, 123.4, 122.2 (q, J = 273.7 Hz), 120.6 (q, J = 321.3 Hz), 116.2 (d, J = 88.6 Hz).

(2-(Bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



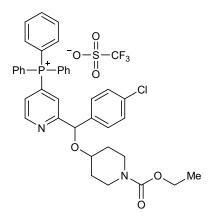
Prepared according to our previous report.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.99 (1H, app t, J = 5.1 Hz), 7.91-7.80 (3H, m), 7.78-7.66 (6H, m), 7.63-7.37 (15H, m), 7.29 (1H, d, J = 13.8 Hz), 5.97 (1H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.0 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 151.6 (d, J = 10.4 Hz), 141.7, 136.1 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.3 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 132.9 (d, J = 1.1 Hz), 130.9 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 130.7 (q, J = 32.2 Hz), 130.0, 129.6 (d, J = 83.7 Hz), 127.0 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 125.7-125.4 (2C, m), 124.0 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 123.8 (q, J = 272.5 Hz), 120.8 (q, J = 321.2 Hz), 115.4 (d, J = 89.5 Hz), 57.8.

Triphenyl(2-((3-phenylisoxazol-5-yl)methoxy)pyrimidin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to general procedure B (except the reaction was cooled to -50 °C for the Tf₂O addition, then cooled to -78 °C for the DBU addition and EtOAc was used instead of CH₂Cl₂) using 3-phenyl-5-((pyrimidin-2-yloxy)methyl)isoxazole (253.3 mg, 3.0 mmol), PPh₃ (865.6 mg, 3.3 mmol), Tf₂O (0.50 mL, 3.0 mmol), DBU (0.45 mL, 3.0 mmol) and EtOAc (15 mL). After the purification procedure, the title compound was isolated as an off-white solid (798.6 mg, 1.20 mmol, 40% yield). mp 49-55 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3500, 3064, 2162, 1980, 1613, 1587, 1547, 1439, 1352, 1259, 1223, 1149, 1109, 1029, 688, 635, 529; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.10 (1H, t, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 7.90-7.83 (3H, m), 7.82-7.67 (15H, m), 7.49-7.43 (3H, m), 6.69 (1H, s), 5.58 (2H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 166.6, 164.4 (d, *J* = 19.5 Hz), 163.8 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 162.5, 156.0 (d, *J* = 112.4 Hz), 136.1 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 134.7 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 130.7 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz), 130.2, 128.9, 128.4, 126.8, 122.5 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 120.7 (q, *J* = 320.2 Hz), 115.1 (d, *J* = 89.1 Hz), 102.4, 60.6; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -78.20; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 16.36; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 513.2, C₃₃H₂₆N₂O₂P⁺ requires 513.2.

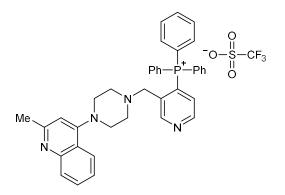
(2-((4-Chlorophenyl)((1-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl)oxy)methyl)pyridin-4yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to our previous report.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.90 (1H, t, J = 5.1 Hz), 7.94-7.86 (3H, m), 7.82-7.73 (6H, m), 7.71-7.59 (7H, m), 7.49 (1H, ddd, J = 12.6, 5.0, 1.1 Hz), 7.34-7.25 (4H, m), 5.71 (1H, s), 4.11 (2H, q, J = 7.1 Hz), 3.70-3.60 (1H, m), 3.55-3.42 (2H, m), 3.25-3.12 (2H, m), 1.79-1.56 (2H, m), 1.54-1.37 (2H, m), 1.25 (3H, t, J = 7.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.4 (d, J = 9.6 Hz), 155.4, 151.1 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 138.7, 136.2 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.5 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 134.0, 131.0 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 129.3 (d, J = 84.1 Hz), 128.8, 128.5,

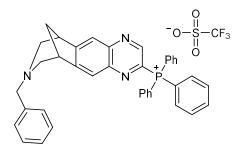
125.9 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 123.9 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz), 120.8 (q, *J* = 321.2 Hz), 115.8 (d, *J* = 89.4 Hz), 79.9, 72.8, 61.3, 40.7 (rot), 40.7, 31.3, 30.4 (rot), 14.7.

(3-((4-(2-Methylquinolin-4-yl)piperazin-1-yl)methyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



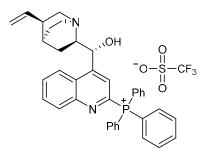
Prepared according to our previous report.⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.15 (1H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 8.84 (1H, app t, J = 4.6 Hz), 7.91-7.70 (17H, m), 7.54 (1H, dd, J = 7.4, 7.8 Hz), 7.33 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 7.5 Hz), 7.20 (1H, dd, J = 5.0, 15.6 Hz), 6.59 (1H, s), 3.26 (2H, s), 2.81 (4H, s), 2.62 (3H, s), 2.16 (4H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 159.1, 156.4, 153.5 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 150.8 (d, J = 10.6 Hz), 148.4, 137.0 (d, J = 5.7 Hz), 135.7 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 134.0 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 129.3, 129.1 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 128.5, 126.7 (d, J = 81.7 Hz), 124.6, 123.2, 121.3, 120.8 (q, J = 319.4 Hz), 117.0 (d, J = 88.9 Hz), 109.2, 59.1 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 52.7, 51.2, 25.1.

((6R,10S)-8-Benzyl-7,8,9,10-tetrahydro-6H-6,10-methanoazepino[4,5-g]quinoxalin-2yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



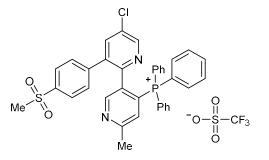
Prepared according to our previous report.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 9.09 (1H, s), 8.10-7.72 (17H, m), 7.20-7.05 (3H, m), 6.92-6.80 (2H, m), 3.55-3.27 (4H, m), 3.03-2.87 (2H, m), 2.66-2.42 (2H, m), 2.29-2.15 (1H, m), 1.87 (1H, d, J = 10.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 144.9 (d, J = 23.5 Hz), 144.2, 143.5 (d, J = 16.9 Hz), 137.5 (br s), 136.0 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 134.6 (d, J = 10.9 Hz), 130.7 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 129.2-126.2 (3C, m), 120.7 (br s), 120.7 (q, J = 321.5 Hz), 116.4 (d, J = 88.3 Hz), 61.3, 57.9-56.1 (2C, m), 43.1-40.4 (3C, m).

(4-((R)-(Benzyloxy)((18,2R,48,5R)-5-vinylquinuclidin-2-yl)methyl)quinolin-2yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



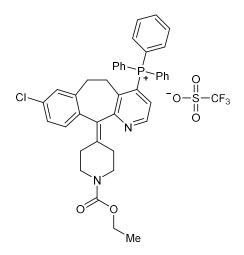
Prepared according to our previous report.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.54 (1H, d, J = 8.1 Hz), 8.26 (1H, d, J = 8.6 Hz), 7.94 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.91-7.60 (17H, m), 7.29-7.02 (3H, m), 7.14-7.02 (2H, m), 5.83-5.45 (2H, m), 5.07-4.89 (2H, m), 4.60 (1H, d, J = 11.4 Hz), 4.33 (1H, d, J = 11.4 Hz), 3.52-3.06 (3H, m), 2.84-2.62 (2H, m), 2.49-2.33 (1H, br s), 2.06-1.47 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 149.2 (d, J = 22.1 Hz), 148.5, 145.1, 143.9, 139.5, 136.6, 135.7 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 134.5 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 132.0-131.8 (3C, m), 131.2, 130.4 (d, J = 13.2 Hz), 128.4, 127.9, 127.2, 126.7 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 126.1, 123.8, 120.6 (q, J = 320.3 Hz), 117.0 (d, J = 87.7 Hz), 115.6, 71.8, 60.7, 55.6, 43.0, 38.3, 26.9, 25.8.

(5-Chloro-6'-methyl-3-(4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl)-[2,3'-bipyridin]-4'yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



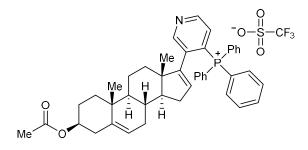
Prepared according to our previous report.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.28 (1H, d, J = 7.1 Hz), 8.10 (2H, d, J = 8.2 Hz), 7.86-7.62 (16H, m), 7.51-7.45 (3H, m), 7.20 (1H, d, J = 16.5 Hz), 3.14 (3H, s), 2.54 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 160.8 (d, J = 11.2 Hz), 152.4 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 147.5 (d, J = 2.2 Hz), 146.1, 141.5, 141.0, 138.9, 135.6, 134.8 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 134.1 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 133.3 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 132.1, 130.8 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 130.0 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 129.8, 128.5, 128.2 (d, J = 86.2 Hz), 120.8 (q, J = 321.1 Hz), 119.3 (d, J = 91.8 Hz), 43.9, 24.6. The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our reported synthesis.⁶

(8-Chloro-11-(1-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-ylidene)-6,11-dihydro-5Hbenzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



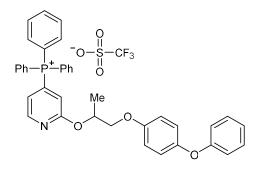
Prepared according to our previous report.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.73 (1H, app t, J = 5.0 Hz), 7.97-7.87 (3H, m), 7.86-7.74 (6H, m), 7.73-7.60 (6H, m), 7.16-7.01 (3H, m), 6.71 (1H, s), 4.14 (2H, q, J = 7.0 Hz), 3.84-3.61 (2H, m), 3.45- 3.20 (3H, m), 2.75 (1H, dt, J = 17.4, 4.7 Hz), 2.58 (1H, dt, J = 14.9, 4.7 Hz), 2.53-2.30 (3H, m), 2.26-2.09 (1H, m), 1.60-1.43 (1H, m), 1.25 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 163.6 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 155.4, 149.1 (d, J = 11.4 Hz), 139.2, 136.8, 136.7 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 10.7 Hz), 133.9, 133.6, 132.4, 131.6, 131.1 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 129.9, 127.2 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 127.0 (d, J = 82.2 Hz), 126.4, 120.8 (q, J = 321.3 Hz), 116.4 (d, J = 88.5 Hz), 61.4, 44.6, 44.4, 30.7, 30.4, 30.4, 29.4, 14.6. The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our reported synthesis.²

(3-((38,8R,98,10R,138,148)-3-Acetoxy-10,13-dimethyl-2,3,4,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15dodecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-17-yl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to our previous report.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.99 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 8.72 (1H, app t, J = 4.1 Hz), 7.88-7.59 (15H, m), 7.27 (1H, dd, J = 15.7, 5.2 Hz), 5.55 (1H, s), 5.28 (1H, d, J = 3.4 Hz), 4.58 (1H, m), 2.33-2.18 (2H, m), 1.99 (3H, s), 1.87-1.30 (10H, m), 1.24-1.01 (5H, m), 0.94 (3H, s), 0.79 (1H, td, J = 12.1, 3.7 Hz), 0.57 (1H, td, J = 11.2, 3.9 Hz), – 0.22 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 170.4, 150.6 (d, J = 7.5 Hz), 149.0 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 148.7 (d, J = 10.8 Hz), 139.9, 139.1, 137.4 (d, J = 6.1 Hz), 135.5 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 130.0 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 125.2 (d, J = 83.7 Hz), 121.6, 120.7 (q, J = 321.2 Hz), 118.0 (d, J = 89.6 Hz), 73.5, 55.3, 49.7, 48.7, 37.9, 36.8, 36.4, 33.5, 32.4, 31.0, 29.7, 27.5, 21.3, 20.3, 19.0, 18.6. The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our reported synthesis.⁶

(2-((1-(4-Phenoxyphenoxy)propan-2-yl)oxy)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate

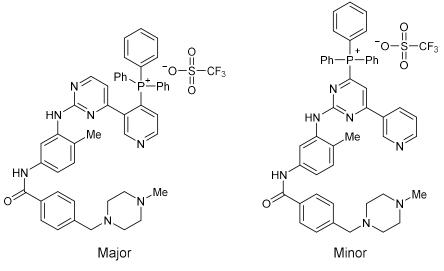


Prepared according to our previous report.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.55 (1H, app t, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.93-7.87 (3H, m), 7.82-7.74 (6H, m), 7.67-7.59 (6H, m), 7.30-7.23 (2H, m), 7.13 (1H,

ddd, J = 11.7, 5.3, 1.2 Hz), 7.02 (1H, t, J = 7.4 Hz), 6.94-6.77 (7H, m), 5.66 (1H, sext, J = 5.3 Hz), 4.18-4.07 (2H, m), 1.48 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 163.7 (d, J = 15.9 Hz), 158.1, 154.7, 150.3, 149.8 (d, J = 12.1 Hz), 136.1 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 134.3 (d, J = 10.6 Hz), 130.9 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 84.2 Hz), 129.5, 122.4, 120.8 (q, J = 321.2 Hz), 120.6, 119.1 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 117.5, 116.6 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 115.6 (d, J = 89.4 Hz), 115.6, 71.5, 70.5, 16.4.

(3-(2-((2-Methyl-5-(4-((4-methylpiperazin-1-

yl)methyl)benzamido)phenyl)amino)pyrimidin-4-yl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate

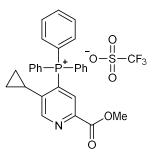


20:1 Mixture of Regioisomers

Prepared according to our previous report.⁶ Major isomer, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ : 10.14 (1H, s), 9.55 (1H, d, J = 6.7 Hz), 9.09 (1H, app t, J = 4.6 Hz), 8.31 (1H, d, J = 5.1 Hz), 8.00-7.55 (18H, m), 7.52-7.20 (5H, m), 7.08 (1H, d, J = 8.3 Hz), 6.10 (1H, br), 3.55 (2H, s), 2.70-2.13 (11H, m), 1.74 (3H, s); Major isomer, ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ : 165.2, 159.8, 159.7 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 158.3, 152.7 (d, J = 11.4 Hz), 151.8 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 141.1 (br), 137.3, 136.2, 135.8 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 134.7 (d, J = 2.3 Hz), 133.9 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 130.0, 129.9 (d, J = 13.4 Hz), 128.7, 127.7, 125.6 (d, J = 86.2 Hz), 125.5, 120.7 (q, J = 322.8 Hz), 119.5 (d, J = 92.3 Hz), 117.0, 117.0, 115.6, 110.3, 60.6, 53.2, 50.1, 43.1, 17.0. The spectroscopic data is in agreement with our reported synthesis.⁶

(5-Cyclopropyl-2-(methoxy carbonyl) pyridin-4-yl) triphenyl phosphonium

trifluoromethanesulfonate



Prepared according to general procedure A (except the reaction was cooled to -50 °C for the PPh₃ addition) using methyl 5-cyclopropylpicolinate (200 mg, 1.12 mmol), Tf₂O (190 µL, 1.12 mmol), PPh₃ (323 mg, 1.23 mmol), DBU (170 µL, 1.12 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (11.2 mL). After the purification procedure, the title compound was isolated as a white solid (276 mg, 0.469 mmol, 42% yield). mp: 173-200 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3069, 2953, 1745, 1577, 1439, 1263, 1133, 1030, 721, 635; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.47 (1H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 7.96-7.88 (3H, m), 7.87-7.78 (6H, m), 7.78-7.68 (7H, m), 3.94 (3H, s), 1.44 (1H, sp, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 1.08-1.00 (2H, m), 0.92-0.84 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 163.9 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 147.8 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 146.9 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 146.4 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz), 136.2 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 134.2 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz), 131.2 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz), 129.0 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz), 127.5 (d, *J* = 84.2 Hz), 120.8 (q, *J* = 321.1 Hz), 115.9 (d, *J* = 89.0 Hz), 53.3, 16.4 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz), 13.9; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -78.17; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 22.15; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M-OTf]⁺ 438.2, C₂₈H₂₅NO₂P⁺ requires 438.2.

5. Preparation of Derivatized Azaarenes

General Procedure C

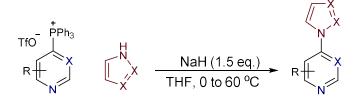


An oven dried 8 mL vial equipped with a septa cap was charged with sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 1.5 equiv) and placed under a nitrogen atmosphere. THF (0.5 M) was added and the suspension was cooled to 0 °C while stirring. The phenol or thiophenol (1.5 equiv) was added dropwise over 5 min and allowed to stir for 30 min at 0 °C. The septa cap was briefly removed and the phosphonium salt (1.0 equiv) was added in one portion. The reaction was subjected to three rapid cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill and was warmed to 60 °C and stirred for 2 h. The reaction was quenched with H₂O, the aqueous layer was separated and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of brine, dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography under the stated conditions to provide the heteroaryl ether/thioether.

Notes.

- If the phenol/thiophenol was a solid or viscous liquid, it was added dropwise as a 1.5 M solution to an equivalent volume 1.5 M solution of NaH in THF.
- 2) Certain substrates required longer reaction times. Specific cases are indicated below.
- Certain substrates showed improved yields when ran in DME at 80 °C. Specific cases are indicated below.
- Certain substrates showed improved yields with the addition of 15-crown-5 right before the salt addition. Specific cases are indicated below (Phenol nucleophiles typically require this addition for tolerable yields).

General Procedure D



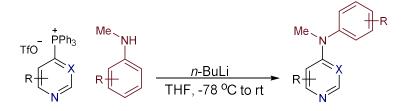
An oven dried 8 mL vial equipped with a septa cap was charged with sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 1.5 equiv) and placed under a nitrogen atmosphere. THF (0.5 M) was added and the suspension was cooled to 0 °C while stirring. The pyrrole/pyrazole/imidazole (1.5 equiv) was added dropwise over 5 min and allowed to stir for 30 min at 0 °C. The septa cap

was briefly removed and the phosphonium salt (1.0 equiv) was added in one portion. The reaction was subjected to three rapid cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill and was warmed to 60 °C and stirred for 1 h. The reaction was quenched with H₂O, the aqueous layer was separated and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of brine, dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography under the stated conditions to provide the coupled azaarene product.

Notes.

- If the pyrrole/pyrazole/imidazole was a solid or viscous liquid, it was added dropwise as a 1.5 M solution to an equivalent volume 1.5 M solution of NaH in THF.
- 2) Certain substrates required longer reaction times. Specific cases are indicated below.
- Certain substrates showed improved yields when ran in DME at 80 °C. Specific cases are indicated below.
- Certain substrates showed improved yields with the addition of 15-crown-5 right before the salt addition. Specific cases are indicated below.
- Certain substrates showed improved yields when KH was used as the base in place of NaH. Specific cases are indicated below.

General Procedure E

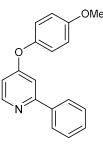


An oven dried 8 mL vial equipped with a septa cap was charged with the aniline (1.5 equiv) and placed under a nitrogen atmosphere. THF (0.25 M) was added and the suspension was cooled to -78 °C while stirring. *n*-BuLi (1.5 equiv) was added dropwise over 5 min and allowed to stir for 30 min at -78 °C. The reaction was then allowed to warm to room temp before the septa cap was briefly removed and the phosphonium salt (1.0 equiv) was added in one portion. The reaction was subjected to three rapid cycles of vacuum/nitrogen backfill and stirred for 30 min at room temp. The reaction was quenched with H₂O, the aqueous layer was separated and extracted

with CH_2Cl_2 (3x). The combined organic extracts were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of brine, dried (MgSO₄), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography under the stated conditions to provide the heteroaryl ether/thioether. **Notes.**

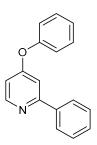
1) Certain substrates required longer reaction times. Specific cases are indicated below.

4-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)-2-phenylpyridine (2a)



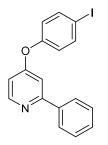
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (93 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.5 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2a) as a clear oil (107 mg, 0.39 mmol, 77% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3066, 3002, 2947, 2842, 2214, 2042, 1612, 1564, 1499, 1470, 1259, 1208, 1112, 908, 728; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.51 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 7.94-7.88 (2H, m), 7.48-7.37 (3H, m), 7.23 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.10-7.04 (2H, m), 6.99-6.93 (2H, m), 6.74 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.7, 2.4 Hz), 3.85 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 166.3, 159.5, 157.1, 151.1, 147.4, 139.2, 129.1, 128.7, 126.9, 122.0, 115.2, 110.2, 108.5, 55.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 278.1, C₁₈H₁₆NO_{2⁺} requires 278.1.

4-Phenoxy-2-phenylpyridine (2b)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), phenol (71 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 4% EtOAc & 1% AcOH in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2b) as a yellow amorphous solid (87 mg, 0.35 mmol, 70% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3062, 2923, 2851, 2215, 1721, 1579, 1562, 1489, 1470, 1305, 1214, 912, 774, 731, 692; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.54 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 7.95-7.88 (2H, m), 7.49-7.38 (5H, m), 7.30-7.24 (2H, m), 7.17-7.12 (2H, m), 6.78 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 165.6, 159.7, 154.2, 151.2, 139.1, 130.2, 129.1, 128.7, 126.9, 125.3, 120.7, 110.7, 109.1 ; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 248.1, C₁₇H₁₄NO⁺ requires 248.1.

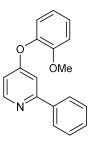
4-(4-Iodophenoxy)-2-phenylpyridine (2c)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-iodophenol (165 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50

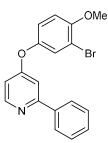
mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2c) as a pink solid (112 mg, 0.30 mmol, 60% yield). mp: 50-57 °C; IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3084, 3045, 2925, 2503, 2208, 1879, 1594, 1556, 1477, 1408, 1214, 1023, 844, 694; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.56 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz), 7.95-7.89 (2H, m), 7.77-7.71 (2H, m), 7.50-7.38 (3H, m), 7.27 (1H, d, J = 2.3 Hz), 6.94-6.88 (2H, m), 6.78 (1H, dd, J = 5.6, 2.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 165.0, 159.8, 154.3, 151.3, 139.2, 138.9, 129.3, 128.7, 126.9, 122.8, 110.8, 109.2, 88.8; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 374.0, C₁₇H₁₃INO⁺ requires 374.0.

4-(2-Methoxyphenoxy)-2-phenylpyridine (2d)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 2-methoxyphenol (82 µL, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and DME (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2d) as a clear oil (79 mg, 0.28 mmol, 57% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3066, 3008, 2927, 2839, 2214, 2043, 1580, 1563, 1498, 1470, 1258, 1208, 1112, 907, 728; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.50 (1H, d, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 7.94-7.88 (2H, m), 7.48-7.37 (3H, m), 7.30-7.22 (2H, m), 7.14 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.6 Hz), 7.08-6.99 (2H, m), 6.70 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.7, 2.4 Hz), 3.81 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 165.7, 159.4, 151.7, 150.9, 142.2, 139.3, 129.0, 128.6, 126.9, 126.7, 122.7, 121.3, 113.0, 109. 6, 108.2, 55.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 278.2, C₁₈H₁₆NO₂⁺ requires 278.1.

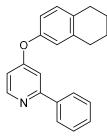
4-(3-Bromo-4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-phenylpyridine (2e)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 3-bromo-4-methoxyphenol (152 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and DME (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (basic alumina: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2e) as a white solid (92 mg, 0.26 mmol, 52% yield). mp: 88-95 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3061, 2979, 2947, 2846, 2497, 2161, 2042, 1848, 1584, 1561, 1486, 1468, 1437, 1409, 1257, 1205, 1043, 875, 776, 694; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 8.54 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 7.98-7.88 (2H, m), 7.50-7.36 (4H, m), 7.24 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.08 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.9 Hz), 6.95 (1H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 6.75 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.3 Hz), 3.93 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) & 165.8, 159.7, 153.7, 151.2, 147.6, 139.0, 129.2, 128.7, 127.0, 126.2, 120.8, 112.5, 112.2, 110.

2, 108.6, 56.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 356.1, C₁₈H₁₅BrNO_{2⁺} requires 356.0.

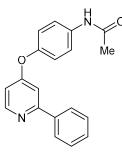
2-Phenyl-4-((5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)pyridine (2f)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalen-2-ol (111.2 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-

5 (150 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium μL, trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH2Cl2 and dry loading (basic alumina: 2% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2f) as a white solid (122 mg, 0.41 mmol, 81% yield). mp: 57-61 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3061, 2925, 2835, 2162, 1579, 1561, 1492, 1469, 1238, 1195, 865, 773, 691; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.51 (1H, d, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 7.94-7.89 (2H, m), 7.49-7.37 (3H, m), 7.27 (1H, d, J = 2.3 Hz), 7.11 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz), 6.88-6.82 (2H, m), 6.77 (1H, dd, J = 5.6, 2.4 Hz), 2.82-2.74 (4H, m), 1.88-1.77 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 165.9, 159.5, 151.7, 151.1, 139.3 (2C), 134.3, 130.6, 129.1, 128.7, 127.0, 120.9, 117.9, 110.5, 109.0, 29.5, 28.9, 23.1, 22.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 302.2, C₂₁H₂₀NO⁺ requires 302.2.

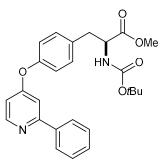
N-(4-((2-Phenylpyridin-4-yl)oxy)phenyl)acetamide (2g)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)acetamide (151.2 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and DME (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt3: 1% MeOH in DCM) afforded the *title compound* (2g) as a white solid (111 mg, 0.36 mmol, 73% yield). mp: 129-139 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3297, 3206, 3064, 2923, 2852, 1659, 1546, 1501, 1469, 1405, 1302, 1211, 1016, 911, 849, 776, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 8.53 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 7.93-7.87 (2H, m), 7.60-7.54 (2H, m), 7.48-7.37 (3H, m), 7.32 (1H, br), 7.25 (1H, d, *J* = 2.2 Hz)

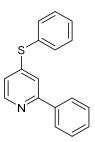
7.13-7.07 (2H, m), 6.77 (1H, dd, J = 5.7, 2.4 Hz), 2.20 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)
δ: 168.3, 165.7, 159.7, 151.2, 150.3, 139.0, 135.3, 129.2, 128.7, 127.0, 121.7, 121.4, 110.5, 108.
9, 24.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 305.2, C₁₉H₁₇N₂O_{2⁺} requires 305.1.

Methyl (S)-2-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)-3-(4-((2-phenylpyridin-4yl)oxy)phenyl)propanoate (2h)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), methyl (tert-butoxycarbonyl)-L-tyrosinate (222 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15crown-5 (150)μL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel, gradient elution: 30%) EtOAc in hexanes to 80% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2h) as a white solid (133.1 mg, 0.297 mmol, 59% yield). mp: 29-40 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3435, 3033, 2979, 2932, 2251, 1979, 1742, 1706, 1586, 1504, 1471, 1219, 1163, 908, 728; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.53 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 7.95-7.90 (2H, m), 7.48-7.37 (3H, m), 7.27 (1H, d, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 7.23-7.18 (2H, m), 7.09-7.04 (2H, m), 6.75 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.4 Hz), 5.04 (1H, d, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 4.66-4.56 (1H, m), 3.74 (3H, s), 3.21-3.00 (2H, m), 1.43 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 172.1, 165.4, 159.6, 155.0, 153.2, 151.1, 139.0, 133.3, 131.0, 129.1, 128.6, 126.9, 120.7, 110. 6, 109.1, 79.9, 54.4, 52.2, 37.9, 28.2; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 449.3, C₂₆H₂₉N₂O₅₊ requires 449.2.

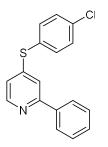
2-Phenyl-4-(phenylthio)pyridine (2i)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (77 µL, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 2.5% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2i) as a clear oil (109 mg, 0.42 mmol, 83% yield). IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3689, 3064, 3040, 2997, 2921, 2850, 2612, 2459, 2162, 1977, 1814, 1764, 1699, 1567, 1534, 1462, 1379, 757, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.43 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.89-7.84 (2H, m), 7.63-7.56 (2H, m), 7.50-7.36 (7H, m), 6.88 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ: 157.4, 150.8, 149.4, 139.0, 135.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 126.9, 119.4, 117.8; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 264.1, C₁₇H₁₄NS⁺ requires 264.1.

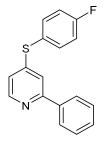
4-((4-Chlorophenyl)thio)-2-phenylpyridine (2j)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-chlorobenzenethiol (109 mg, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF

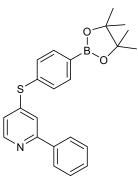
(1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 2.5% EtOAc in Toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2j) as a white chrystalline solid (109 mg, 0.37 mmol, 73% yield). mp: 86-90 °C IR ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3076, 3044, 3012, 2924, 2771, 2464, 1980, 1812, 1585, 1536, 1461, 1378, 1089, 836.8, 797, 690; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.46 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.89-7.85 (2H, m), 7.54-7.49 (2H, m), 7.48-7.38 (6H, m), 6.87 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 157.6, 150.0, 149.5, 138.9, 136.1, 136.0, 130.2, 129.2, 128.8, 128.4, 126.9, 119.4, 117.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 298.1, C₁₇H₁₃ClNS⁺ requires 298.0.

4-((4-Fluorophenyl)thio)-2-phenylpyridine (2k)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-fluorobenzenethiol (80 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 2.5% EtOAc in Toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2k) as a white solid (110 mg, 0.39 mmol, 78% yield). mp: 75-79 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3090, 3067, 3037, 2923, 2853, 2466, 2040, 1813, 1702, 1585, 1570, 1537, 1489, 1223, 776; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.44 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.92-7.83 (2H, m), 7.65-7.55 (2H, m), 7.48-7.35 (4H, m), 7.22-7.13 (2H, m), 6.83 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.7 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 163.7 (d, *J* = 251 Hz), 157.5, 150.9, 149.4, 138.9, 137.5 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 129.2, 128.7, 126.9, 124.8 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 118.96, 117.43, 117.23 (d, *J* = 21.9 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -110.25 ; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 282.1, C₁₇H₁₃FNS⁺ requires 282.1.

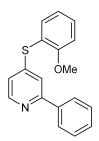
2-Phenyl-4-((4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)thio)pyridine (2l)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)benzenethiol (177 mg, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 8% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2l) as a yellow oil (119.4 mg, 0.307 mmol, 61% yield). IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 2979, 2928, 2247, 2216, 1715, 1569, 1358, 1142, 907, 729; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.44 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.90-7.85 (4H, m), 7.60-7.53 (2H, m), 7.50-7.36 (4H, m), 6.90 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.7 Hz), 1.37 (12H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

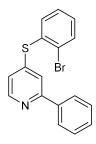
δ: 157.6, 150.1, 149.4, 139.0, 136.0, 133.6, 133.5, 129.1, 128.7, 127.0, 119.9, 118.4, 84.2, 24.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 390.2, C₂₃H₂₅BNO₂S⁺ requires 390.2.

4-((2-Methoxyphenyl)thio)-2-phenylpyridine (2m)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 2-methoxybenzenethiol (91 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2m) as a clear oil (115 mg, 0.39 mmol, 79% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3062, 2936, 2835, 2167, 1567, 1476, 1462, 1274, 1247, 1022, 753; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.41 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.89-7.84 (2H, m), 7.60-7.54 (1H, m), 7.52-7.36 (5H, m), 7.08-7.00 (2H, m), 6.83 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz), 3.84 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 159.9, 157.2, 150.1, 149.1, 139.2, 137.2, 131.9, 129.0, 128.7, 126.9, 121.6, 119.1, 117.6, 117. 0, 111.7, 56.0; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 294.2, C18H16NOS⁺ requires 294.1.

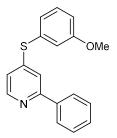
4-((2-Bromophenyl)thio)-2-phenylpyridine (2n)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 2-bromobenzenethiol (90 µL, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel, gradient elution: 10% EtOAc in hexanes to 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2n) as a brown oil (144 mg, 0.42 mmol, 84% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3056, 2925, 2456, 2162, 1979, 1567, 1536, 1444, 1379, 752, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.49 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.91-7.86 (2H, m), 7.77 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz), 7.64 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 1.7 Hz), 7.50-7.35 (5H, m), 7.35-7.29 (1H, m), 6.88 (1H, dd, 5.3, 1.8 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) =

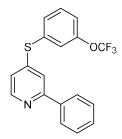
δ: 157.7, 149.6, 148.4, 138.9, 136.5, 134.1, 131.7, 131.0, 129.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 127.0, 119. 9, 118.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 342.1, C₁₇H₁₃BrNS⁺ requires 342.0.

4-((3-Methoxyphenyl)thio)-2-phenylpyridine (20)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 3-methoxybenzenethiol (93 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (20) as a yellow oil (118 mg, 0.40 mmol, 80% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3001, 2933, 2834, 1566, 1479, 1231, 772, 690; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.44 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.90-7.85 (2H, m), 7.47-7.34 (5H, m), 7.17 (1H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.13-7.10 (1H, m), 7.00 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.6 Hz), 6.90 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.7 Hz), 3.83 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 160.5, 157.5, 150.6, 149.4, 139.0, 130.8, 130.7, 129.1, 128.7, 127.1, 126.9, 119.8, 119.5, 118. 0, 115.7, 55.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 294.1, C₁₈H₁₆NOS⁺ requires 294.1.

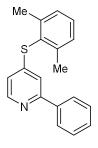
2-Phenyl-4-((3-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)thio)pyridine (2p)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 3-(trifluoromethoxy)benzenethiol (146 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.5 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 15% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2p) as a clear oil (81.8 mg, 0.235 mmol, 47% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 2925, 2853, 2218, 1568, 1251, 1219, 1205, 1165, 907, 730, 692; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.49 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 0.5 Hz), 7.90-7.85 (2H, m), 7.52-7.38 (7H, m), 7.34-7.28 (1H, m), 6.93 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ: 157.8, 149.8, 149.7, 149.0, 138.8, 132.6, 132.5, 131.0, 129.3, 128.8, 126.9, 126.6, 121.8, 120. 4 (q, J = 258.2 Hz), 119.9, 118.5; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -57.88; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 348.1, C₁₈H₁₃F₃NOS⁺ requires 348.1.

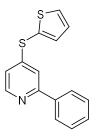
4-((2,6-Dimethylphenyl)thio)-2-phenylpyridine (2q)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 2,6-dimethylbenzenethiol (100 µL, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 2% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2q) as a clear oil (108 mg, 0.37 mmol, 74% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3054, 2958, 2922, 2459, 2161, 1948, 1727, 1567, 1535, 1460, 1375, 1103, 770, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.35 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.84-7.79 (2H, m), 7.44-7.32 (3H, m), 7.30-7.17 (4H, m), 6.63 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz), 2.41 (6H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

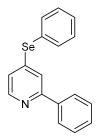
CDCl₃)δ: 157.3, 150.3, 149.3, 144.1, 139.1, 130.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 126.9, 118.0, 116. 6, 21.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 292.2, C₁₉H₁₈NS⁺ requires 292.1.

2-Phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-ylthio)pyridine (2r)



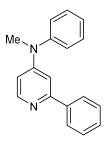
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), thiophene-2-thiol (70 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 2.5% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2r) as a tan oil (93 mg, 0.35 mmol, 69% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3062, 3036, 2993, 2923, 2360, 2162, 1952, 1567, 1379, 1072, 771, 691; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.46 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.90-7.85 (2H, m), 7.63 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.2 Hz), 7.48-7.37 (5H, m), 7.19 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 3.5 Hz), 6.89 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 157.5, 151.5, 149.4, 139.0, 137.9, 132.9, 129.1, 128.7, 128.5, 127.0, 126.5, 118.2, 116.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 270.1, C₁₅H₁₂NS²⁺ requires 270.0.

2-Phenyl-4-(phenylselanyl)pyridine (2s)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzeneselenol (80 µL, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 5% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2s) as a white solid (141 mg, 0.45 mmol, 91% yield). mp: 43-47 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3064, 3033, 2923, 2452, 2163, 1961, 1891, 1753, 1562, 1534, 1438, 1379, 1019, 825, 774, 738, 698, 679; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.41 (1H, d, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 7.90-7.84 (2H, m), 7.71-7.65 (2H, m), 7.58 (1H, d, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 7.50-7.36 (6H, m), 7.04 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 157.5, 149.4, 146.2, 138.9, 136.1, 129.9, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 126.9, 126.5, 122.4, 120.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 312.2, C₁₇H₁₄NSe⁺ requires 312.0.

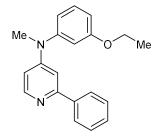
N-Methyl-N,2-diphenylpyridin-4-amine (2u)



Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 470 µL, *N*-methylaniline (81 μL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-0.75 mmol), yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2u) as a tan powder (117 mg, 0.45 mmol, 90% yield). mp: 77-82 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3061, 3045, 3038, 2917, 2852, 2818, 2592, 2501, 2161, 2050, 1953, 1842, 1603, 1597, 1536, 1480, 1445, 1360, 1235, 1135, 983, 825, 760, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.32 (1H, d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.88-7.83 (2H, m), 7.52-7.33 (5H, m), 7.31-7.24 (3H, m), 6.99 (1H, d, J = 2.4 Hz), 6.54 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 3.4 3.39 ^{13}C CDCl₃) Hz), (3H, NMR (100)MHz, s);

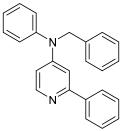
δ: 158.0, 154.6, 149.8, 146.4, 140.4, 130.0, 128.5, 128.5, 127.0, 126.6, 126.3, 107.2, 105.4, 39.6; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 261.1, C₁₈H₁₇N₂⁺ requires 261.1.

N-(3-Ethoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-2-phenylpyridin-4-amine (2v)



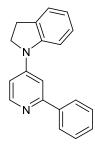
Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 234 µL, 0.38 mmol), 3-ethoxy-*N*-methylaniline (57 mg, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (141 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 60% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2v) as an orange oil (63 mg, 0.20 mmol, 81% yield). IR v_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 2978, 2928, 2162, 1574, 1543, 1478, 1446, 1245, 1203, 1046, 984, 773, 695; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.32 (1H, d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.90-7.84 (2H, m), 7.46-7.30 (4H, m), 7.01 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 6.86-6.77 (3H, m), 6.56 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.9, 2.5 Hz), 4.04 (2H, q, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 3.37 (3H, s), 1.42 (3H, t, *J* = 6.9 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 160.3, 158.0, 154.5, 149.8, 147.5, 140.4, 130.6, 128.5, 128.5, 127.0, 118.6, 112.8, 112.4, 107. 4, 105.6, 63.6, 39.5, 14.8; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 305.2, C₂₀H₂₁N₂O⁺ requires 305.2.

N-Benzyl-N,2-diphenylpyridin-4-amine (2w)



Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 234 µL, 0.38 mmol), *N*-benzylaniline (65 µL, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (141 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2w) as an orange amorphous solid (52 mg, 0.15 mmol, 62% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3062, 2961, 2930, 2860, 2253, 1715, 1588, 1496, 1385, 1271, 1120, 904, 725, 649; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.28 (1H, d, *J* = 5.9 Hz), 7.79-7.74 (2H, m), 7.46-7.31 (11H, m), 7.30-7.26 (2H, m), 7.01 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 6.55 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.9, 2.5 Hz), 5.03 (2H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 158.0, 154.1, 149.9, 145.7, 140.3, 137.5, 130.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 127.3, 126.9, 126.8, 126. 5, 126.4, 107.8, 106.0, 56.0; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 337.2, C₂₄H₂₁N₂⁺ requires 337.2.

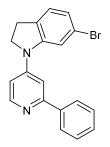
1-(2-Phenylpyridin-4-yl)indoline (2x)



Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 0.47 mL, 0.75 mmol), indoline (84.1 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (282.5 mg, 0.5 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2x) as a brown oil (92.3 mg, 0.339 mmol, 68% yield). IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 2978, 2928, 2162, 1574, 1543, 1478, 1446, 1245, 1203, 1046, 984, 773, 695; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.51 (1H, d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.99-7.94 (2H, m), 7.51-7.45 (3H, m), 7.45-7.37 (2H, m), 7.26-7.16 (2H, m), 7.02 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.3 Hz), 6.94-6.88 (1H, m), 4.07 (2H, t, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 3.21 (2H, t, *J* = 8.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

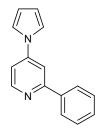
δ: 158.5, 150.3, 150.2, 144.6, 140.1, 132.2, 128.8, 128.6, 127.2, 127.0, 125.5, 121.0, 110.6, 108. 9, 107.2, 51.2, 27.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 273.1, C₁₉H₁₇N_{2⁺} requires 273.1.

6-Bromo-1-(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)indoline (2y)



Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 234 µL, 0.375 mmol), 6-bromoindoline (74 mg, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (141 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 30% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2y) as a white solid (36 mg, 0.10 mmol, 41% yield). mp: 75-80°C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3298, 3035, 2956, 2162, 1608, 1574, 1478, 1431, 1270, 988, 769.5, 691.4; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.54 (1H, d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.99-7.94 (2H, m), 7.52-7.38 (5H, m), 7.10-7.06 (1H, m), 7.05-6.99 (2H, m), 4.09 (2H, t, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 3.15 (2H, t, *J* = 8.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 158.8, 150.4, 149.8, 146.1, 139.8, 131.2, 129.0, 128.7, 127.0, 126.4, 123.6, 120.8, 113.5, 109. 2, 107.5, 51.7, 27.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 351.1, C₁₉H₁₆BrN₂⁺ requires 351.0.

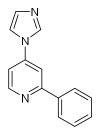
2-Phenyl-4-(1H-pyrrol-1-yl)pyridine (2z)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), pyrrole (52 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-

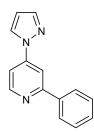
yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2z) as a clear oil (81 mg, 0.37 mmol, 74% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3063, 2925, 2852, 2360, 2340, 2246, 2218, 1718, 1594, 1494, 1351, 1256, 1066, 1176, 905, 723; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.66 (1H, d, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 8.00 (2H, d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 7.69 (1H, d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 7.53-7.41(3H, m), 7.29-7.20 (3H, m), 6.42 (2H, t, *J* = 1.9 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 159.4, 151.1, 147.3, 139.0, 129.4, 128.8, 127.0, 118.4, 112.2, 112.1, 110.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 221.1, C₁₅H₁₃N₂⁺ requires 221.1.

4-(1H-Imidazol-1-yl)-2-phenylpyridine (2ab)



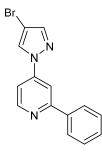
Prepared according to general procedure D using potassium hydride (36.3% dispersion in mineral oil, 41 mg, 0.38 mmol), 18-crown-6 (99 mg, 0.38 mmol) was added at the start with potassium hydride, 1H-imidazole (26 mg, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (141 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt3, gradient elution: 60% EtOAc in hexanes to 80% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the title *compound* (2ab) as a clear oil (28 mg, 0.13 mmol, 51% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3123, 3062, 2924, 2851, 2222, 1979, 1595, 1568, 1496, 1240, 1054, 905, 725, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.78 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz); 8.08 (1H, s), 8.05-8.00 (2H, m), 7.73 (1H, d, J = 1.9 Hz), 7.55-7.44 (4H, (2H, ¹³C (100)m), 7.31-7.26 m); NMR MHz, CDCl₃) 8: 160.0, 151.5, 144.5, 138.3, 135.0, 131.6, 129.8, 129.0, 127.0, 117.0, 113.1, 111.4; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 222.1, C₁₄H₁₂N_{3⁺} requires 222.1.

2-Phenyl-4-(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine (2ac)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 1H-pyrazole (51 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 15% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ac) as a clear oil (80 mg, 0.36 mmol, 72% yield). IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3032, 1591, 1568, 1521, 1482, 1442, 1395, 1381, 1041, 774, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.72 (1H, d, *J* = 5.4 Hz); 8.20-8.00 (4H, m), 7.80 (1H, d, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 7.59-7.40 (4H, m), 6.58-6.53 (1H, dd, *J* = 2.4, 1.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 159.4, 151.0, 146.8, 142.4, 138.8, 129.4, 128.8, 127.1, 126.7, 110.9, 109.5, 109.0; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 222.1, C₁₄H₁₂N³⁺ requires 222.1.

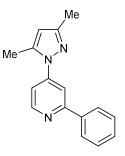
4-(4-Bromo-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2-phenylpyridine (2ad)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-bromo-1H-pyrazole (110 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 μL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry

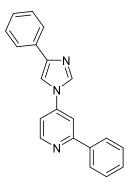
loading (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ad) as a white solid (97 mg, 0.32 mmol, 64% yield). mp: 140-143 °C; IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3142, 3116, 3029, 2921, 1928, 1694, 1593, 1569, 1478, 1447, 1414, 1406, 1339, 1251, 1148, 954, 777, 703; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.74 (1H, d, *J* = 5.4 Hz); 8.12 (1H, s), 8.10-8.02 (3H, m), 7.76 (1H, s), 7.56-7.43 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 159.6, 151.1, 146.2, 142.9, 138.6, 129.6, 128.9, 127.0, 126.8, 110.5, 109.1, 97.4; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 300.1, C₁₄H₁₁BrN₃⁺ requires 300.0.

4-(3,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-2-phenylpyridine (2ae)



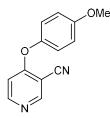
Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 3,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole (72 mg, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 30% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ae) as a clear oil (47 mg, 0.19 mmol, 37% yield). IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 2925, 2225, 1710, 1593, 1573, 905, 727; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.73 (1H, d, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 8.06-8.01 (2H, m), 7.92 (1H, d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.51-7.40 (3H, m), 7.38 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.4, 2.0 Hz), 6.08 (1H, m), 2.50 (3H, s), 2.32 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 159.0, 150.6, 150.6, 147.5, 139.9, 138.9, 129.3, 128.8, 127.0, 115.4, 114.1, 109.3, 13.6, 13.3; *m*/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 250.2, C₁₆H₁₆N₃⁺ requires 250.1.

2-Phenyl-4-(4-phenyl-1H-imidazol-1-yl)pyridine (2af)



Prepared according to general procedure D using potassium hydride (36.3% dispersion in mineral oil, 83 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-phenylimidazole (108 mg, 0.75 mmol), 18-Crown-6 (198 mg, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.5 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt₃: 40% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2af) as a yellow oil (38 mg, 0.13 mmol, 25% yield). IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3058, 2924, 2360, 2341, 2217, 1592, 1568, 1493, 1445, 1238, 1056, 726, 692, 906; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.78 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz), 8.11 (1H, s), 8.04 (2H, d, J = 6.9 Hz), 7.86 (2H, d, J = 7.3 Hz), 7.76 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz), 7.71 (1H, s), 7.56-7.39 (5H, m), 7.35-7.28 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 160.0, 151.5, 144.3 (2C), 138.3, 135.1, 133.0, 129.8, 128.9, 128.7, 127.6, 127.0, 125.1, 112.8, 112.1, 111.1; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 298.2, C₂₀H₁₆N₃+ requires 298.1.

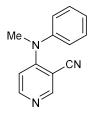
4-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)nicotinonitrile (2ag)



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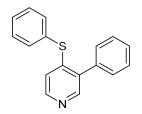
mmol), (3-cyanopyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (257 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 50% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ag) as a colorless amorphous solid (90.9 mg, 0.402 mmol, 80% yield). IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 3062, 2973, 2936, 2839, 2232, 1585, 1567, 1502, 1481, 1277, 1242, 1195, 1179, 1027, 889, 838; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.77 (1H, s), 8.51 (1H, d, *J* = 5.9 Hz), 7.95-7.10-7.03 (2H, m), 7.00-6.95 (2H, m), 6.64 (1H, d, *J* = 5.9 Hz), 3.84 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 166.7, 158.0, 154.6, 154.4, 145.9, 122.0, 115.4, 114.0, 109.5, 100.5, 55.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 227.1, C₁₃H₁₁N₂O_{2⁺} requires 227.1.

4-(Methyl(phenyl)amino)nicotinonitrile (2ah)



Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 470 µL, 0.75 *N*-methylaniline (81 μL, 0.75 mmol), mmol), (3-cyanopyridin-4yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (257 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ah) as an orange amorphous solid (86 mg, 0.41 mmol, 82% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3018, 2920, 2855, 2208, 1600, 1582, 1495, 1405, 1203, 1051, 809, 698; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.47 (1H, s), 8.31 (1H, d, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 7.50-7.42 (2H, m), 7.42-7.33 (1H, m), 7.25-7.20 (2H, m), $(1H, d, J = 6.2 Hz), 3.52 (3H, s); {}^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3)$ 6.65 δ: 156.3, 155.0, 152.1, 145.9, 130.3, 127.8, 126.6, 116.8, 110.4, 95.9, 41.8; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 210.1, C₁₃H₁₂N₃⁺ requires 210.1.

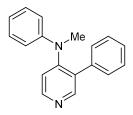
3-Phenyl-4-(phenylthio)pyridine (2ai)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (77 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(3-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2ai) as a clear oil (101.2 mg, 0.384 mmol, 77% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3066, 3035, 2997, 2923, 2950, 2612, 1980, 1815, 1763, 1699, 1567, 1462, 1379, 757, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.37 (1H, s), 8.25 (1H, d, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 7.54-7.38 (10H, m), 6.68 (1H, d, *J* = 5.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

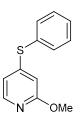
δ: 149.3, 149.2, 148.3, 136.7, 135.6, 134.8, 130.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.4, 128.5, 128.4, 120.0; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 264.1, C₁₇H₁₄NS⁺ requires 264.1.

N-Methyl-N,3-diphenylpyridin-4-amine (2aj)



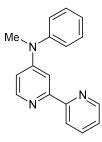
Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 0.468 mL, 0.75 mmol), *N*-methylaniline (81.2 μL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(3-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (282.6 mg, 0.5 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL).

2-Methoxy-4-(phenylthio)pyridine (2ak)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (77 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(2-methoxypyridin-4yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (260 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 5% EtOAc in hexanes) followed by filtration through a plug of silica eluting with 100% DCM afforded the *title compound* (2ak) as a clear oil (49 mg, 0.22 mmol, 45% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3060, 2981, 2947, 2857, 2226, 1588, 1542, 1473, 1385, 1035, 905, 728; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.94 (1H, d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 7.57-7.51 (2H, m), 7.46-7.40 (3H, m), 6.60 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.5, 1.6 Hz) 6.33 Hz), 3.87 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100)MHz, (1H. d, *I* = 1.4 CDCl₃) δ: 164.5, 152.3, 146.4, 135.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 114.8, 107.2, 53.4; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 218.1, C₁₂H₁₂NOS⁺ requires 218.1.

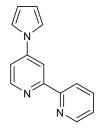
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-[2,2'-bipyridin]-4-amine (2al)



Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 0.47 mL, 0.75 mmol), *N*-methylaniline (81 μ L, 0.75 mmol), [2,2'-bipyridin]-4-yltriphenylphosphoniumtrifluoromethanesulfonate (283 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc, 2.5% NEt₃ in hexanes) afforded the *title*

compound (2al) as a tan solid (107 mg, 0.41 mmol, 82% yield). mp: 107-110 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3061, 3002, 2907, 2821, 2538, 2162, 1979, 1604, 1578, 1567, 1542, 1490, 1468, 1456, 1370, 953, 786, 774, 702; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.60 (1H, d, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 8.32 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 8.22 (1H, d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.80-7.70 (2H, m), 7.45-7.35 (2H, m), 7.25-7.15 (4H, m), 6.52 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.6 Hz), 3.41 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 156.8, 156.7, 154.8, 149.2, 148.9, 146.5, 136.7, 129.9, 126.6, 126.2, 123.4, 121.2, 108.9, 105. 3, 39.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 262.1, C₁₇H₁₆N₃⁺ requires 262.1.

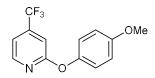
4-(1H-Pyrrol-1-yl)-2,2'-bipyridine (2am)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), 1H-pyrrole (26 μ L, 0.38 mmol), [2,2'-bipyridin]-4-yltriphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (142 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (basic alumina: 5% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2am) as a tan amorphous solid (36 mg, 0.16 mmol, 64% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3060, 2922, 2851, 2222, 1723, 1598, 1584, 1563, 1496, 1350, 1062, 907, 723, 691; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.72-8.69 (1H, m), 8.66 (1H, d, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 8.50 (1H, d, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 8.47-8.43 (1H, m), 7.85 (1H, td, *J* = 7.8, 1.7 Hz), 7.39-7.30 (4H, m), 6.42 (2H, t, *J* = 2.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ: 158.0, 155.5, 150.6, 149.2, 147.4, 137.0, 124.1, 121.3, 118.5, 113.2, 112.1, 110.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 222.1, C₁₄H₁₂N₃⁺ requires 222.1.

2-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)-4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (2an)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (47 mg, 0.38 mmol), 15-crown-5 (75 µL, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (139 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2an) as a white solid (54 mg, 0.20 mmol, 80% yield). mp: 76-79 °C; IR v_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 3073, 3028, 2979, 2921, 2849, 2050, 1758, 1615, 1569, 1503, 1402, 1330, 1294, 1225, 1171, 1137, 1075, 836; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.32 (1H, d, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 7.16 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.2, 0.8 Hz), 7.11 (1H, t, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 7.10-7.05 (2H, m), 6.97-6.92 (2H, m), 3.83 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.7, 157.0, 149.0, 146.6, 141.6 (q, J = 34.1 Hz), 122.5 (q, J = 273.1 Hz), 122.4, 114.9, 113.7 (q, J = 3.3 Hz), 107.6 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 55.6; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -64.92; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 270.1, C₁₃H₁₁F₃NO₂⁺ requires 270.1.

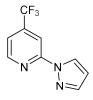
2-(1H-Pyrrol-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (2ao)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 1H-pyrrole (52 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (279 mg, 0.50 mmol), and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 2% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ao) as a white solid (70 mg, 0.33 mmol, 66% yield).

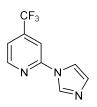
mp: 73-77 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3160, 3119, 3048, 2922, 1724, 1615, 1575, 1492, 1437, 1352, 1330, 1300, 1276, 1172, 1128, 1059, 935, 839, 735, 675; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.59 (1H, d, J = 5.1 Hz), 7.55 (2H, t, J = 2.3 Hz), 7.48 (1H, s), 7.30 (1H, dd, J = 0.7, 5.1 Hz), 6.39 (2H, t, J = 2.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 152.0, 150.0, 140.8 (q, J = 34.2 Hz), 122.5 (q, J = 273.9 Hz), 118.2, 115.5 (q, J = 3.4 Hz), 112.3, 107.1 (q, J = 3.8 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -64.98 ; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 213.1, C₁₀H₈F₃N₂⁺ requires 213.1.

2-(1H-Pyrazol-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (2ap)



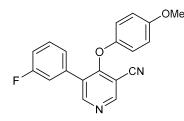
Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil. 30 0.75 mmol), 1*H*-pyrazole (51 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(4mg, mg, (trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (279 mg, 0.50 mmol), and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 3% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ap), as a volatile clear oil (31 mg, 0.14 mmol, 29% iso. yield, 76% ¹H NMR yield). Note that the product evaporates during solvent evaporation. IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 2926, 2253, 1577, 1463, 1398, 1345, 1318, 1179, 1149, 1040, 903, 726, 649; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.60-8.55 (2H, m); 8.25 (1H, s), 7.78 (1H, d, J = 1.0 Hz), 7.39 (1H, d, J = 4.4 Hz), 6.50 (1H, t, J = 2.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 152.3, 149.3, 142.8, 141.0 (q, J = 34.2 Hz), 127.3, 122.5 (q, J = 273.3 Hz), 116.8 (q, J = 3.4 Hz), 108.8 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 108.5; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -64.96; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 214.1, C₉H₇F₃N₃⁺ requires 214.1.

2-(1H-Imidazol-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (2aq)



Prepared according to general procedure D using potassium hydride (36.3% dispersion in parafin, 83 mg, 0.75 mmol), 1H-imidazole (51 mg, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (279 mg, 0.50 mmol), and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt3: 40% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2aq) as a white solid (78 mg, 0.37 mmol, 73% yield). mp: 61-66 °C; IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3119, 3053, 2916, 2848, 2225, 1980, 1673, 1615, 1577, 1481, 1438, 1326, 1176, 1141, 1051, 906, 841, 652; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.68 (1H, d, *J* = 5.1 Hz), 8.42 (1H, s), 7.68 (1H, t, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 7.54 (1H, s), 7.47 (1H, dd, *J* = 0.6, 5.1 Hz), 7.25 (1H, t, *J* = 1.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 150.5, 149.9, 141.4 (q, *J* = 34.3 Hz), 135.1, 131.4, 122.3 (q, *J* = 275.2 Hz), 117.5 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 116.0, 108.1 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -64.90 ; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 214.1, C₉H₇F₃N₃⁺ requires 214.1.

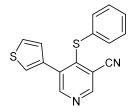
5-(3-Fluorophenyl)-4-(4-methoxyphenoxy)nicotinonitrile (2ar)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (93 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 μL, 0.75 mmol), (3-cyano-5-(3-fluorophenyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (304 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column

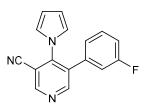
chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 25% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ar) as a yellow solid (117 mg, 0.37 mmol, 73% yield). mp: 93-97 °C; IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3048, 3011, 2954, 2919, 2847, 2235, 1967, 1871, 1583, 1501, 1446, 1432, 1241, 1183, 1031, 878, 794, 696; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.79 (1H, s), 8.75 (1H, s), 7.40-7.33 (1H, m), 7.24-7.20 (1H, m), 7.19-7.15 (1H, m), 7.10-7.04 (1H, m), 6.84-6.76 (4H, m), 3.76 (3H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 162.6 (d, *J* = 246.2 Hz), 161.8, 156.7, 155.2, 154.7, 149.6, 134.4 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 130.3 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 129.5, 124.9 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 119.0, 116.3 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 115.8 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 114.8, 113.3, 103.5, 55.6; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -112.18; *m*/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 321.2, Cl₉H₁₄FN₂O₂+ requires 321.1.

4-(Phenylthio)-5-(thiophen-3-yl)nicotinonitrile (2as)



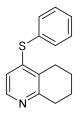
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (77 µL, 0.75 mmol), (3-cyano-5-(thiophen-3-yl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (298 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2as) as white solid (121 mg, 0.31 mmol, 63% yield). mp: 129-133 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3734, 3111, 3054, 2924, 2498, 2232, 1968, 1867, 1725, 1543, 1438, 1077, 842, 787, 736, 656; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.74 (1H, s), 8.67 (1H, s), 7.39-7.34 (1H, m), 7.34-7.29 (1H, m), 7.26-7.18 (4H, m), 7.18-7.12 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 153.1, 152.9, 148.0, 135.5, 135.4, 132.3, 131.7, 129.4, 128.4, 128.3, 126.1, 125.7, 115.1, 114. 1; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]* 295.1, C16H11N2S2* requires 295.0.

5-(3-Fluorophenyl)-4-(1H-pyrrol-1-yl)nicotinonitrile (2at)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), 1H-pyrrole (26 μ L, 0.38 mmol), (3-cyano-5-(3-fluorophenyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (152 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2at) as a brown oil (17 mg, 0.063 mmol, 25% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3019, 2927, 2236, 1613, 1587, 1496, 1485, 1324, 1215, 1063, 907, 729, 696, 668; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.95 (1H, s); 8.84 (1H, s), 7.37-7.30 (1H, m), 7.09 (1H, td, *J* = 8.4, 2.6 Hz), 6.85 (1H, d, J = 7.7 Hz), 6.75 (1H, dt, *J* = 9.3, 1.8 Hz), 6.64 (2H, t, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 6.30 (2H, t, *J* = 2.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 162.9 (d, *J* = 248.0 Hz), 155.1, 153.8, 147.2, 135.4 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 132.3, 130.7 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 124.0 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 121.5, 116.1 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 115.3 (d, *J* = 22.9 Hz), 114.6, 112.0, 107.3; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -111.30; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 264.1, C16H11FN3⁺ requires 264.1.

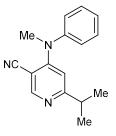
4-(Phenylthio)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinoline (2au)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (76.5 μ L, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(5,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinolin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (272mg, 0.50 mmol) and DME (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 30% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the

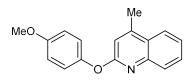
title compound (2au) as a white solid (93 mg, 0.39 mmol, 77% yield). mp: 93-98 °C, IR ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3034, 2861, 2658, 2535, 2184, 1981, 1880, 1724, 1555, 1433, 1402, 1064, 815, 755, 704, 688; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.05 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 7.55-7.42 (5H, m), 6.41 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 2.91 (2H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 2.73 (2H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.94-1.84 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 156.6, 149.1, 146.1, 135.4, 130.0, 129.9, 129.4, 128.6, 117.7, 32.9, 26.1, 22.8, 22.6; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 242.1, C₁₅H₁₆NS⁺ requires 242.1.

6-Isopropyl-4-(methyl(phenyl)amino)nicotinonitrile (2av)



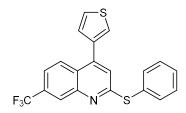
Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 468 µL, 0.75 mmol), N-methylaniline (81 µL, 0.75 mmol), (5-cyano-2-isopropylpyridin-4yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (278 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2av) as an off-white powder (87 mg, 0.35 mmol, 69% yield). mp: 108-114 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3060, 3007, 2963, 2921, 2868, 2214, 1863, 1752, 1581, 1534, 1492, 1410, 1310, 1051, 877, 698; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.43 (1H, s), 7.48-7.42 (2H, m), 7.37-7.31 (1H, m), 7.24-7.19 (2H, m), 6.54 (1H, s), 3.49 (3H, s), 2.93 (1H, sp, J= 6.8 Hz), 1.26 (6H, d, I = 6.8 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 171.1, 155.8, 155.6, 146.2, 130.1, 127.3, 126.4, 117.1, 107.2, 94.2, 41.7, 36.7, 22.1; m/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 252.2, C₁₆H₁₈N₃⁺ requires 252.1.

2-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)-4-methylquinoline (2aw)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (93 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), (4-methylquinolin-2-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (277 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (basic alumina: 5% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2aw) as a white solid (90 mg, 0.34 mmol, 68% yield). mp: 96-100 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3067, 2952, 2920, 2835, 2163, 1615, 1575, 1503, 1463, 1442, 1384, 1336, 1201, 1177, 1022, 828, 756; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.90 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.2 Hz), 7.79 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.7 Hz), 7.62-7.57 (1H, m), 7.45-7.40 (1H, m), 7.19-7.14 (2H, m), 6.97-6.92 (2H, m), 6.89 (1H, d, J = 0.8 Hz), 3.84 (3H, s), 2.66 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 161.9, 156.5, 148.0, 147.3, 146.5, 129.5, 128.4, 125.8, 124.4, 123.6, 122.4, 114.6, 112.4, 55.6, 18.9; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 266.1, C₁₇H₁₆NO_{2⁺} requires 266.1.

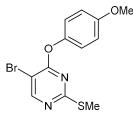
2-(Phenylthio)-4-(thiophen-3-yl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline (2ax)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), benzenethiol (38 μ L, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(4-(thiophen-3-yl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (172 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 40% DCM in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ax) as a white powder (71 mg, 0.18 mmol, 74% yield). mp: 89-93 °C; IR

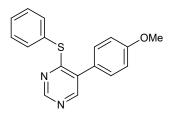
 v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3103, 2923, 2852, 2161, 1792, 1586, 1334, 1288, 1156, 1116, 1097, 1062, 829, 769; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.24 (1H, s), 8.05 (1H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 7.71-7.66 (2H, m), 7.58 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.8 Hz), 7.51-7.45 (4H, m), 7.42 (1H, dd, *J* = 2.9, 1.2 Hz), 7.21 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.12 (1H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 162.9, 147.8, 143.4, 137.4, 135.2, 131.6 (q, *J* = 33.1 Hz), 129.9, 129.7, 129.5, 128.5, 126.9, 126.7, 126.5 (q, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 126.4, 125.5, 123.9 (q, *J* = 272.1 Hz), 121.3 (q, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 120.8; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -62.79; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 388.1, C₂₀H₁₃F₃NS²⁺ requires 388.0.

5-bromo-4-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-(methylthio)pyrimidine (2ay)



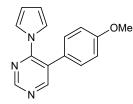
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (93 mg, 0.75 mmol), (5-bromo-2-(methylthio)pyrimidin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (307 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 5% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ay) as a white solid (142 mg, 0.44 mmol, 87% yield). mp: 86-88 °C; IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3024, 3006, 2926, 2836, 1554, 1537, 1501, 1407, 1332, 1288, 1256, 1221, 1176, 1031, 957, 822, 760; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.45 (1H, s), 7.11-7.06 (2H, m), 6.94-6.89 (2H, m), 3.83 (3H, s), 2.26 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 170.9, 164.6, 159.4, 157.3, 145.5, 122.5, 114.3, 100.8, 55.6, 14.3; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 327.0, C1₂H₁₂BrN₂O₂S⁺ requires 327.0.

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-(phenylthio)pyrimidine (2az)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (77 µL, 0.75 mmol), (5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-4yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (298 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2az) as a white powder (98 mg, 0.33 mmol, 66% yield). mp: 98-101 °C; IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3074, 3009, 2936, 2835, 2545, 2162, 2061, 1575, 1522, 1509, 1379, 1293, 1252, 1176, 747; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.76 (1H, s); 8.31 (1H, s), 7.56-7.50 (2H, m), 7.49-7.41 (5H, m), 7.09- ^{13}C 7.03 3.90 (2H, m), (3H, s); NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) 8: 168.4, 160.2, 156.7, 154.2, 135.6, 132.5, 130.4, 129.5, 129.2, 128.3, 126.6, 114.3, 55.4; m/zLRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 295.1, C₁₇H₁₅N₂OS⁺ requires 295.1.

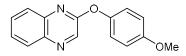
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-(1H-pyrrol-1-yl)pyrimidine (2ba)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), 1H-pyrrole (26 μ L, 0.38 mmol), (5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (149 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2ba) as a white powder (52 mg, 0.21 mmol, 82% yield). mp: 100-105 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3158, 3121, 3058, 2924, 2840, 1610, 1578, 1551, 1442, 1393, 1349, 1248, 1178, 1059, 931, 835,

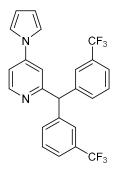
731; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.98 (1H, d, s), 8.60 (1H, s), 7.24-7.19 (2H, m), 7.04(2H, t, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.00-6.95 (2H, m), 6.18 (2H, t, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 3.87 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 160.0 (2C), 157.1, 154.6, 130.0, 126.8, 124.4, 120.7, 114.7, 111.4, 55.3; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 252.1, C₁₅H₁₄N₃O⁺ requires 252.1.

2-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)quinoxaline (2bb)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (93 mg, 0.75 mmol), 15-crown-5 (150 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(quinoxalin-2-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (270 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography by dissolving in CH₂Cl₂ and dry loading (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2bb) as a white amorphous solid (100 mg, 0.40 mmol, 79% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3060, 3022, 2953, 2931, 2836, 2599, 2042, 1887, 1830, 1641, 1574, 1499, 1401, 1306, 1251, 1205, 1182, 993, 917, 829, 759; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.67 (1H, s), 8.05 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz), 7.78-7.74 (1H, m), 7.68-7.57 (2H, m), 7.23-7.18 (2H, m), 7.00-6.95 (2H, m), 3.86 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 157.2, 156.9, 146.1, 140.0, 139.5, 139.1, 130.2, 128.8, 127.7, 127.2, 122.3, 114.6, 55.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 253.2, C₁₅H₁₃N₂O₂⁺ requires 253.1.

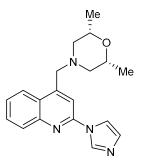
2-(Bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl)-4-(1H-pyrrol-1-yl)pyridine (2bc)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.375 mmol), 1*H*-pyrrole (26 µL, 0.38 mmol), (2-(bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium

trifluoromethanesulfonate (198 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel, gradient elution: 10% EtOAc in hexanes to 20% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2bc) as a yellow oil (52 mg, 0.12 mmol, 46% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 2927, 2251, 1980, 1722, 1595, 1497, 1328, 1165, 1127, 1075, 904, 725; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.61 (1H, d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 7.60-7.35 (8H, m), 7.21 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.5, 2.2 Hz), 7.16-7.08 (3H, m), 6.38 (2H, t, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 5.75 (1H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 163.0, 151.4, 147.3, 142.5, 132.6, 131.0 (q, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 129.2, 125.9 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 272.8 Hz), 118.3, 113.5, 112.4, 111.9, 58.7; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -62.57; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 447.1, C₂₄H₁₇F₆N₂⁺ requires 447.1.

(2R,6S)-4-((2-(1H-Imidazol-1-yl)quinolin-4-yl)methyl)-2,6-dimethylmorpholine (2bd)

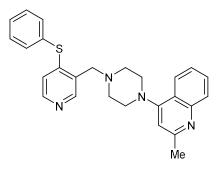


Prepared according to general procedure D using potassium hydride (36.3% dispersion in mineral oil, 41 mg, 0.38 mmol), 1*H*-imidazole (26 mg, 0.38 mmol), (4-(((2R,6S)-2,6-dimethylmorpholino)methyl)quinolin-2-yl)triphenylphosphonium

trifluoromethanesulfonate (167 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 4% MeOH in DCM) afforded the *title compound* (2bd) as a white amorphous solid (52 mg, 0.16 mmol, 64% yield). IR ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3150, 3127, 2974, 2931, 2877, 2811, 2773, 2205, 1660, 1599, 1432, 1325, 1084, 1058, 931, 721, 651; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.51 (1H, s), 8.19 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.7 Hz), 8.04 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 0.5 Hz), 7.86 (1H,

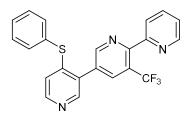
m), 7.77-7.71 (1H, m), 7.61 (1H, s), 7.57-7.51 (1H, m), 7.25 (1H, m), 3.94 (2H, s), 3.78-3.69 (2H, m), 2.75 (2H, d, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 1.94 (2H, t, *J* = 10.5 Hz), 1.16 (6H, d, *J* = 6.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,CDCl₃)δ: 148.1, 147.4, 147.3, 135.3, 130.7, 130.5, 129.3, 126.3, 126.2, 124.0, 116.5, 111.5, 71.7, 59.7, 59.4, 19.1; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 323.2, C₁₉H₂₃N₄O⁺ requires 323.2.

2-Methyl-4-(4-((4-(phenylthio)pyridin-3-yl)methyl)piperazin-1-yl)quinoline (2be)

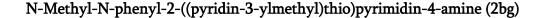


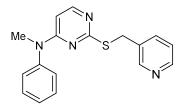
Prepared according to general procedure C sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 6 mg, 0.15 mmol), benzenethiol (16 µL, 0.15 mmol), (3-((4-(2-methylquinolin-4-yl)piperazin-1yl)methyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (73 mg, 0.10 mmol) and DME (0.4 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel, gradient elution: 100% EtOAc to 1% NEt₃ in EtOAc) afforded the *title compound* (2be) as an orange oil (15 mg, 0.034 mmol, 34% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3061, 2933, 2825, 2361, 2340, 2205, 1589, 1574, 1416, 1283, 1192, 1136, 1006, 905, 726; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.44 (1H, s), 8.22 (1H, d, *J*=5.4 Hz), 7.98 (2H, t, J = 7.7 Hz), 7.65-7.58 (1H, m), 7.56-7.51 (2H, m), 7.48-7.39 (4H, m), 6.75 (1H, s), 6.71 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz), 3.75 (2H, s), 3.33-3.17 (4H, m), 3.87-3.78 (4H, m), 2.68 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 159.4, 157.0, 151.0, 149.6, 149.2, 148.6, 135.1, 131.2, 130.5, 129.9, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 124. 5, 123.5, 121.9, 121.4, 109.5, 58.4, 52.7, 52.1, 25.6; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 427.4, C₂₆H₂₇N₄S⁺ requires 427.2.

4"-(Phenylthio)-3'-(trifluoromethyl)-2,2':5',3"-terpyridine (2bf)



Prepared according to general procedure C sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 30 mg, 0.75 mmol), benzenethiol (77 µL, 0.75 mmol), triphenyl(3'-(trifluoromethyl)-[2,2':5',3''terpyridin]-4"-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (356 mg, 0.50 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 100% EtOAc) followed by a second flash column (20% EtOAc, 10% NEt₃ in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2bf) as a yellow amorphous solid (132 mg, 0.32 mmol, 65% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3060, 2925, 2227, 1569, 1448, 1429, 1331, 1285, 1162, 1138, 1019, 906, 727, 689; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.98 (1H, d, J = 1.9 Hz), 8.76 (1H, d, J = 4.8 Hz), 8.40 (1H, s), 8.37 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz), 8.28 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz), 7.88 (1H, td, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz), 7.80-7.76 (1H, m), 7.55-7.39 (6H, m), 6.80 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 156.5, 156.1, 151.8, 149.8, 149.8, 149.4, 149.1, 136.5, 136.2 (q, J = 5.0 Hz), 135.4, 132.0, 130.2, 130.0, 129.8, 128.9, 125.0 (q, J = 33.0 Hz), 123.4 (q, J = 273.1 Hz), 123.8, 123.7, 120.7; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -57.64 ; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 410.2, C₂₂H₁₅F₃N₃S⁺ requires 410.1.

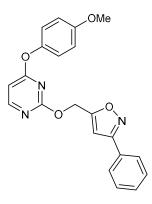




Prepared according to general procedure E using n-butyl lithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 234 μL, 0.38 mmol), *N*-methylaniline (40.6 μL, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(2-((pyridin-3-

ylmethyl)thio)pyrimidin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (153 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt3: 15% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2bg) as a yellow oil (29 mg, 0.093 mmol, 37% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3035, 2927, 2224, 1710, 1600, 1568, 1498, 1348, 1200, 975, 904, 726, 647; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.64 (1H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 8.47 (1H, dd, *J* = 1.5, 4.9 Hz), 7.87 (1H, d, *J* = 6.1 Hz), 7.77-7.72 (1H, m), 7.48-7.41 (2H, m), 7.35-7.30 (1H, m), 7.25-7.19 (3H, m), 5.99 (1H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 4.36 (2H, s), 3.44 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 169.7, 161.7, 154.9, 150.2, 148.3, 144.1, 136.3, 134.5, 130.0, 127.3, 126.9, 123.3, 100.9, 37.9, 32.1; *m*/z LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 309.2, C₁₇H₁₇N₄S⁺ requires 309.1.

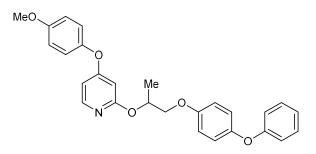
5-(((4-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)pyrimidin-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-3-phenylisoxazole (2bh)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.375 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (47 mg, 0.38 mmol), 15-crown-5 (74 μ L, 0.38 mmol), triphenyl(2-((3-phenylisoxazol-5-yl)methoxy)pyrimidin-4-yl)phosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (166 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel, gradient elution: 4% EtOAc in toluene to 8% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2bh) as a clear oil (52 mg, 0.14 mmol, 55% yield). IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3053, 2917, 2848, 2247, 1610, 1574, 1504, 1441, 1272, 1244, 1193, 1080, 905, 726, 693; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.36 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 7.80-7.74 (2H, m), 7.47-7.42 (3H, m), 7.10-7.04 (2H, m), 6.96-6.90 (2H, m), 6.53 (1H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 6.51 (1H, s), 5.42 (2H, s), 3.82

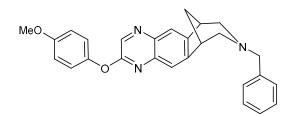
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2, 101.8, 59.7, 55.6; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 376.2, C₂₁H₁₈N₃O_{4⁺} requires 376.1.

4-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)-2-((1-(4-phenoxyphenoxy)propan-2-yl)oxy)pyridine (2bi)



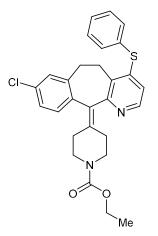
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.375 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (47 mg, 0.38 mmol), 15-crown-5 (74 µL, 0.38 mmol), (2-((1-(4-phenoxy)propan-2-yl)oxy)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (183 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 10% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2bi) as a clear oil (56 mg, 0.13 mmol, 50% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3042, 2932, 2836, 2578, 2250, 2050, 1594, 1502, 1488, 1472, 1218, 1203, 1147, 906, 839, 728; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.99 (1H, d, *I* = 5.9 Hz), 7.34-7.27 (2H, m), 7.08-6.99 (3H, m), 6.99-6.88 (8H, m), 6.52 (1H, dd, *I* = 5.9, 2.2 Hz), 6.12 (1H, d, J = 2.2 Hz), 5.56 (1H, m), 4.18-4.10 (1H, m), 4.08-4.01 (1H, m), 3.82 (3H, m), 1.45 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 167.8, 165.0, 158.5, 157.1, 155.2, 150.3, 147.8, 147.3, 129.6, 122.4, 122.1, 120.7, 117.6, 115. 8, 115.1, 107.0, 97.4, 71.0, 69.6, 55.6, 17.0; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 444.2, C₂₇H₂₆NO₅⁺ requires 444.2.

(6R,10S)-8-Benzyl-2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-7,8,9,10-tetrahydro-6H-6,10-methanoazepino[4,5-g]quinoxaline (2bj)



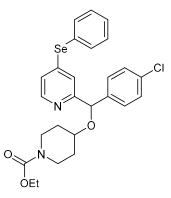
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 6 mg, 0.15 mmol), 4-methoxyphenol (19 mg, 0.15 mmol), 15-crown-5 (30 µL, 0.15 mmol), ((6R,10S)-8-benzyl-7,8,9,10-tetrahydro-6H-6,10-methanoazepino[4,5-g]quinoxalin-2-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (71 mg, 0.10 mmol) and THF (0.2 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 30% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2bj) as a yellow oil (24 mg, 0.057 mmol, 57% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3016, 2950, 1836, 2791, 2162, 2049, 1568, 1503, 1347, 1290, 1202, 907, 667; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.59 (1H, s), 7.73 (1H, s), 7.50 (1H, s), 7.24-7.19 (2H, m), 7.14-7.09 (3H, m), 7.00-6.94 (2H, m), 6.88-6.81 (2H, m), 3.85 (3H, s), 3.46 (2H, s), 3.33-3.21 (2H, m), 2.98-2.87 (2H, m), 2.52 (2H, t, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 2.34-2.25 (1H, m), 1.81 (1H, d, *J* = 10.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 156.9, 156.8, 151.1, 147.8, 146.6, 140.1, 139.6, 138.3, 136.6, 128.3, 128.0, 126.6, 122.3, 120. 2, 119.3, 114.6, 61.6, 57.3, 57.2, 55.6, 43.4, 41.4, 41.1; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 424.2, C₂₇H₂₆N₃O₂⁺ requires 424.2.

Ethyl 4-(8-chloro-4-(phenylthio)-5,6-dihydro-11H-benzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridin-11ylidene)piperidine-1-carboxylate (2bk)



Prepared according to general procedure C sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 12 0.30 0.30 mg, mmol), benzenethiol (31 μL, mmol), (8-chloro-11-(1-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-ylidene)-6,11-dihydro-5H-benzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (159 mg, 0.20 mmol) and THF (0.40 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt₃, gradient elution: 60% CH₂Cl₂ in hexanes to 70% CH₂Cl₂ in hexanes to 10 % MeOH in CH₂Cl₂) followed by a second flash column (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt₃, gradient elution: 9.5% CH₂Cl₂, 0.5% NEt₃ in toluene to 8% CH₂Cl₂, 2% NEt₃ in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2bk) as a white solid (82 mg, 0.17 mmol, 83% yield). 198-201 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3055, 2977, 2918, 2862, 2360, 2339, 2049, 1693, 1546, 1430, 1222, 1109, 748; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.08 (1H, d, *J*=5.4 Hz), 7.54-7.42 (5H, m), 7.21 (1H, d, J = 1.9 Hz), 7.18-7.09 (2H, m), 6.44 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz), 4.14 (2H, q, J = 7.2 Hz), 3.90-3.70 (2H, br), 3.50-3.40 (1H, m), 3.28-3.10 (3H, m), 3.04-2.83 (2H, m), 2.54-2.43 (1H, m), 2.40-¹³C 2.27 I = 7.1(3H, 1.25 (3H, Hz); NMR m), t, (100)MHz, CDCl₃) 8: 159.2, 155.5, 150.4, 146.1, 139.7, 137.9, 137.7, 135.6, 134.1, 133.0, 130.2, 130.0, 129. 8, 129.5, 129.1, 128.7, 126.2, 118.8, 61.3, 44.7, 30.9, 30.6, 28.9, 14.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 491.2, C₂₈H₂₈ClN₂O₂S+ requires 491.2.

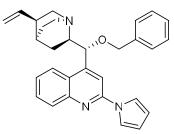
Ethyl 4-((4-chlorophenyl)(4-(phenylselanyl)pyridin-2-yl)methoxy)piperidine-1-carboxylate (2bl)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), benzeneselenol (40 µL, 0.38 mmol), (2-((4-chlorophenyl))((1-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl)oxy)methyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (196 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel: 30% EtOAc in toluene) afforded the *title compound* (2bl) as a clear oil (93 mg, 0.18 mmol, 70% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3289, 3049, 2927, 2667, 2349, 2245, 1690, 1567, 1226, 1085, 1014; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 8.20 (1H, d, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 7.65-7.60 (2H, m), 7.48-7.36 (3H, m), 7.32 (1H, d, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 7.30-7.23 (4H, m), 6.96 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.7 Hz), 5.47 (1H, s), 4.13 (2H, q, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 3.65-3.50 (3H, m), 3.25-3.14 (2H, m), 1.80-1.70 (1H, m), 1.70-1.46 (3H, m), 1.26 (3H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 161.7, 155.5, 148.7, 147.2, 139.8, 136.5, 133.5, 129.9, 129.5, 128.6, 128.2, 126.1, 122.5, 120. 3, 80.6, 73.3, 61.3, 40.8 (rot), 31.0 (rot), 30.7, 14.7; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 531.2, C₂₆H₂₈ClN₂O₃Se+ requires 531.1.

(1S,2R,4S,5R)-2-((R)-(2-(1H-Pyrrol-1-yl)quinolin-4-yl)(benzyloxy)methyl)-5-

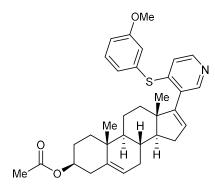
vinylquinuclidine (2bm)



Prepared according to general procedure D using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.38 mmol), 1*H*-pyrrole (26 µL, 0.38 mmol), (4-((R)-(benzyloxy)((1S,2R,4S,5R)-5-vinylquinuclidin-2-yl)methyl)quinolin-2-yl)triphenylphosphonium

trifluoromethanesulfonate (199 mg, 0.25 mmol) and THF (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt3: 80% EtOAc in hexanes) followed by another flash column (silica gel, gradient elution: 100% EtOAc to 5% NEt₃ in EtOAc) afforded the *title compound* (2bm) as white solid (61 mg, 0.14 mmol, 54%) yield). mp: 70-76 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3149, 3064, 3030, 2932, 2862, 1635, 1599, 1479, 1357, 1256, 1066, 959, 731, 695; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.09-8.02 (2H, m), 7.75-7.63 (4H, m), 7.54-7.47 (1H, m), 7.41-7.30 (5H, m), 6.40 (2H, t, J = 2.2 Hz), 5.80-5.66 (1H, m), 5.32 (1H, br), 4.99-4.85 (2H, m), 4.48 (2H, s), 3.48-3.34 (1H, m), 3.20-3.05 (2H, m), 2.77-2.58 (2H, m), 2.32-2.22 (1H, 1.86-1.46 ¹³C CDCl₃) m), (5H, m); NMR (100)MHz, δ: 149.8, 149.7, 147.8, 141.9, 137.7, 130.0, 129.5, 128.6, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 125.6, 124.6, 123. 1 (br), 118.5, 114.3, 111.6, 108.8 (br), 71.6, 60.8, 57.1, 43.3, 40.0, 27.9, 27.8, 22.7 (br); *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 450.3, C₃₀H₃₂N₃O⁺ requires 450.3.

(3S,8R,9S,10R,13S,14S)-17-(4-((3-Methoxyphenyl)thio)pyridin-3-yl)-10,13-dimethyl-2,3,4,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15-dodecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-3-yl acetate (2bn)



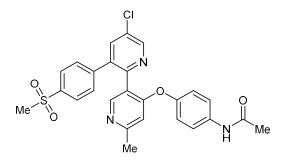
Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 11 mg, 0.28 mmol), 3-methoxybenzenethiol (34 µL, 0.28 mmol), (3-((3S,8R,9S,10R,13S,14S)-3-acetoxy-10,13-dimethyl-2,3,4,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15-

dodecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-17-yl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (120 mg, 0.15 mmol) and THF (0.3 mL). Flash column chromatography (basic alumina, gradient elution: 20% EtOAc in hexanes to 30% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded the *title compound* (2bn) as a clear oil (49 mg, 0.092 mmol, 61% yield). IR v_{max}/cm^{-1} (film): 3246, 3032, 2935, 2797, 2361, 2341, 2162, 1655, 1571, 1446, 1402, 1282, 1162, 1010, 814, 726; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.20 (1H, s), 8.14 (1H, d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 7.35 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.11-7.07 (1H, m), 7.05-7.02 (1H, m), 7.00-6.95 (1H, m), 6.65 (1H, d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 5.97-5.93 (1H, m), 5.43 (1H, d, *J* = 4.9 Hz), 4.68-4.57 (1H, m), 3.82 (3H, s), 2.42-2.31 (3H, m), 2.20-2.00 (6H, m), 1.92-1.81 (2H, m), 1.77-1.52 (7H, m), 1.15-1.00 (8H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ: 170.5, 160.4, 157.5, 155.0, 150.3, 149.6, 148.2, 147.7, 140.0, 132.9, 131.8, 130.7, 127.5, 122. 3, 120.3, 115.4, 73.9, 56.9, 55.4, 50.4, 49.7, 38.1, 36.9, 36.8, 34.7, 32.3, 31.6, 30.7, 27.7, 21.4, 20 .7, 19.3, 16.5; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 530.3, C₃₃H₄₀NO₃S⁺ requires 530.3.

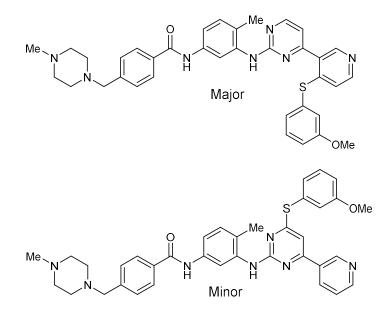
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N-(4-((5-Chloro-6'-methyl-3-(4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl)-[2,3'-bipyridin]-4'yl)oxy)phenyl)acetamide (2bo)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15 mg, 0.375 mmol), N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)acetamide (57 mg, 0.38 mmol), 15-crown-5 (74 μL, 0.38 mmol), (5-chloro-6'-methyl-3-(4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl)-[2,3'-bipyridin]-4'yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (192 mg, 0.25 mmol) and DME (0.5 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel, gradient elution: 3% MeOH in DCM to 5% MeOH in DCM) afforded the *title compound* (2bo) as a clear oil (49 mg, 0.12 mmol, 48% yield). IR vmax/cm⁻¹ (film): 3317, 3062, 2929, 2252, 1980, 1676, 1599, 1504, 1313, 1151, 904, 725; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.76 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 8.66 (1H, s), 7.84-7.79 (2H, m), 7.72 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.41-7.33 (4H, m), 7.20-7.14 (1H, br), 6.24-6.18 (3H, m), 3.09 (3H, s), 2.43 (3H, s), 2.17 ^{13}C (3H, s); NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 168.8, 162.6, 160.0, 150.0, 148.7, 148.4, 148.0, 144.1, 140.2, 137.3, 136.2, 132.0, 129.6, 127. 7, 123.1, 121.6, 120.4, 109.5, 69.1, 44.3, 24.3, 23.4; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 508.1, C₂₆H₂₃ClN₃O₄S⁺ requires 508.1.

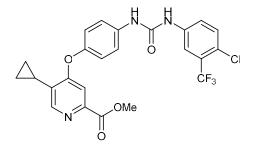
N-(3-((4-(4-((3-Methoxyphenyl)thio)pyridin-3-yl)pyrimidin-2-yl)amino)-4-methylphenyl)-4-((4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)methyl)benzamide (2bp)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 6 mg, 0.15 mmol), 3-methoxybenzenethiol (19 µL, 0.15 mmol), (3-(2-((2-methyl-5-(4-((4methylpiperazin-1-yl)methyl)benzamido)phenyl)amino)pyrimidin-4-yl)pyridin-4yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (90 mg, 0.10 mmol) and THF (0.2 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica gel was packed with hexanes and neutralized with NEt3: 4% MeOH in DCM) afforded the *title compound* (2bp) as a yellow solid (40 mg, 0.063 mmol, 57% yield, 6% regioisomer) mp: 78-84 °C; IR v_{max}/cm⁻¹ (film): 3246, 3032, 2935, 2797, 2361, 2341, 2162, 1655, 1571, 1446, 1402, 1282, 1162, 1010, 814, 726; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.69 (1H, s), 8.56 (1H, d, J = 5.1 Hz), 8.35 (1H, d, J = 2.1 Hz), 8.29 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz), 7.86 (1H, s), 7.77 (2H, d, J= 8.2 Hz), 7.58 (1H, dd, J= 8.1, 1.6 Hz), 7.41 (2H, d, J= 8.2 Hz), 7.31-7.19 (3H, m), 7.09 (1H, d, *J* = 5.1 Hz), 7.07-7.04 (1H, m), 7.02-7.00 (1H, m), 6.95 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.4 Hz), 6.78 (1H, d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 3.75 (3H, s), 3.56 (2H, s), 2.60-2.41 (8H, br), 2.35 (3H, s), 2.30 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100)MHz, CDCl₃) 8: 165.3, 163.6, 160.5, 160.0, 158.8, 150.2, 149.8, 149.5, 142.5, 137.4, 136.6, 133.8, 131.4, 131. 0, 130.9, 130.8, 129.2, 127.6, 127.0, 124.5, 121.3, 120.2, 116.0, 115.8, 113.6, 111.4, 62.5, 55.4,

55.1, 53.1, 46.0, 17.6; *m/z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]⁺ 632.4, C₃₆H₃₈N₇O₂S⁺ requires 632.3.

Methyl 4-(4-(3-(4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ureido)phenoxy)-5cyclopropylpicolinate (2bq)



Prepared according to general procedure C using sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 11 mg, 0.275 mmol), 1-(4-Chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-(4-hydroxyphenyl)urea (67.1 mg, 0.203 mmol), 15-Crown-5 (40.3 μ L, 0.203 mmol), (5-cyclopropyl-2-(methoxycarbonyl)pyridin-4-yl)triphenylphosphonium trifluoromethanesulfonate (79.3 mg, 0.14 mmol) and DME (0.27 mL). Flash column chromatography (silica: 70% EtOAc in hexanes) followed by a second flash column (silica, gradient elution: 85% EtOAc, 5% NEt3 in hexanes to 100% EtOAc) afforded the *title compound* (2bq) as an off-white amorphous solid (28 mg, 0.055 mmol, 40% yield). IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ (film): 3350, 3310, 3125, 3082, 2957, 1731, 1710, 1599, 1552, 1504, 1482, 1418, 1301, 1229, 1203, 1173, 1110, 984, 831, 733; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 9.24 (1H, s), 9.00 (1H, s), 8.28 (1H, s), 8.12 (1H, d, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 7.69-7.55 (4H, m), 7.20-7.13 (3H, m), 3.78 (3H, s), 2.27-2.18 (1H, m), 1.12-1.05 (2H, m), 1.00-0.94 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ : 164.8, 163.6, 152.5, 148.4, 147.7, 146.3, 139.3, 136.8, 132.0, 131.8, 126.7 (q, *J* = 30.2 Hz), 123.1, 122.8 (q, *J* = 272.2 Hz), 122.3 (q, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 121.2, 120.6, 116.8 (q, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 110.0, 52.3, 8.3, 8.0; ¹⁹F NMR (365 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ : -62.76 ; *m*/*z* LRMS (ESI + APCI) found [M+H]+ 506.1, C₂4H₂0ClF₃N₃O₄+ requires 506.1.

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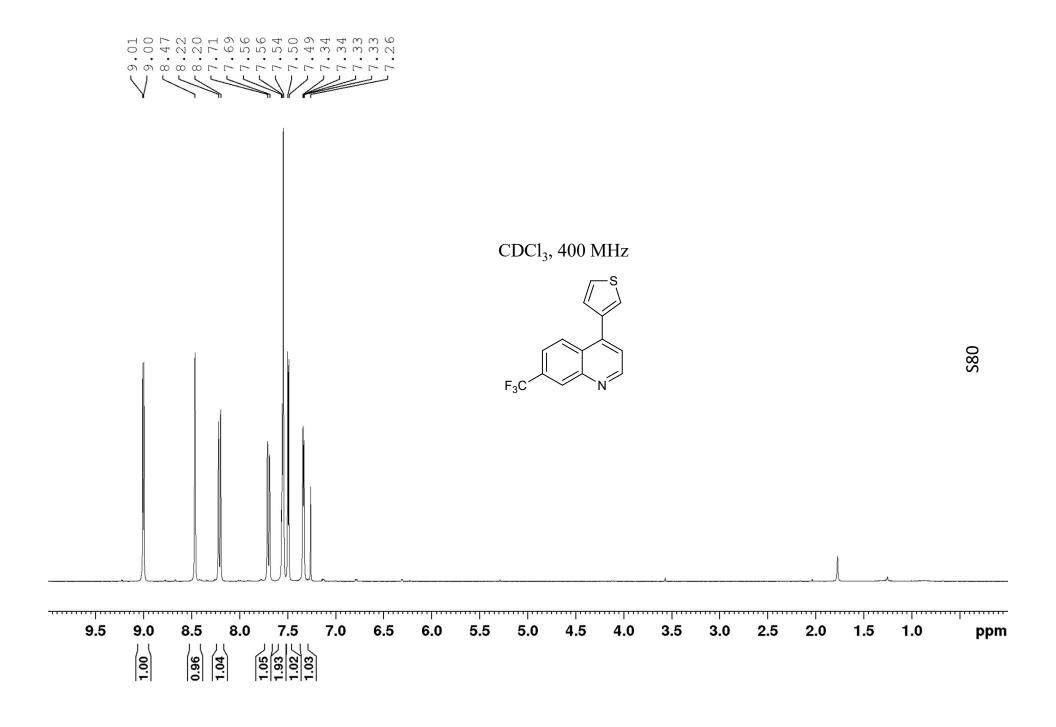
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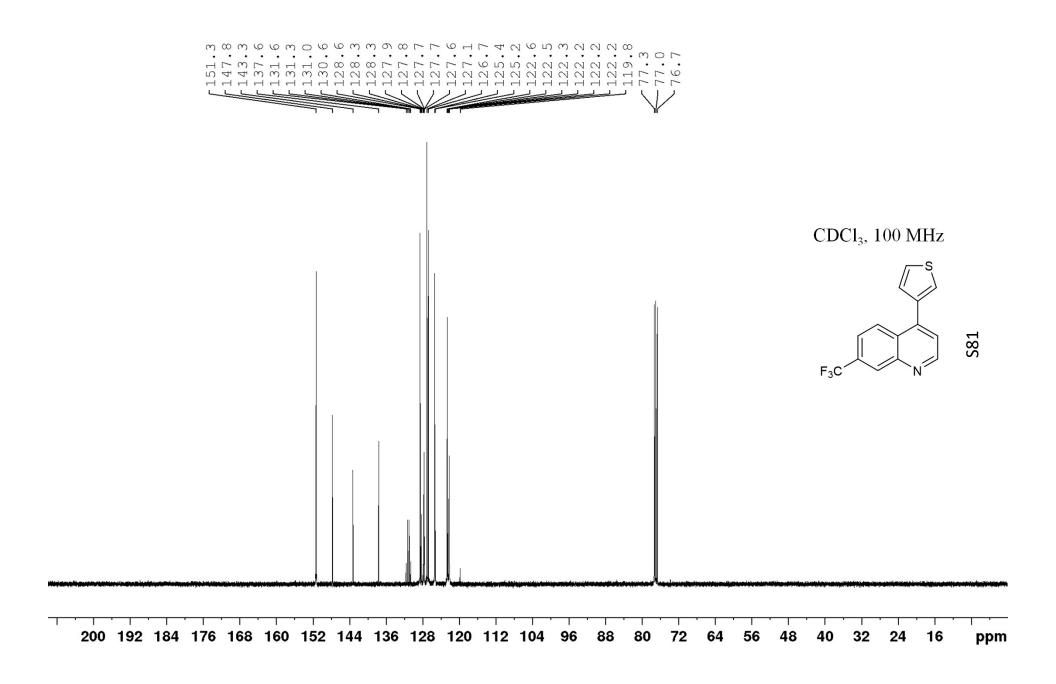
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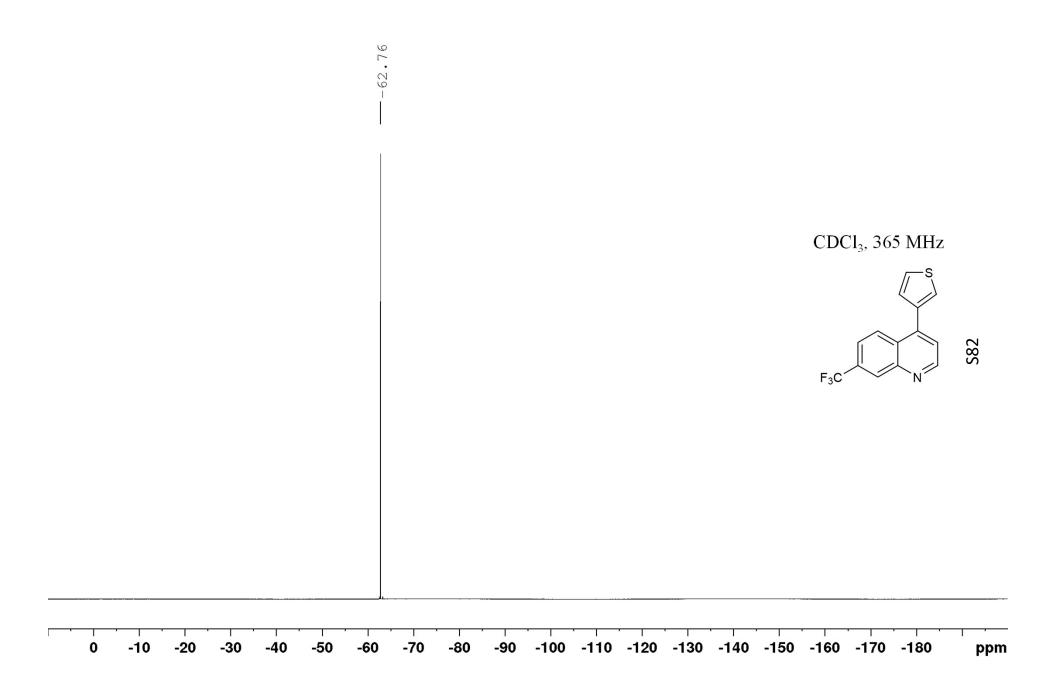
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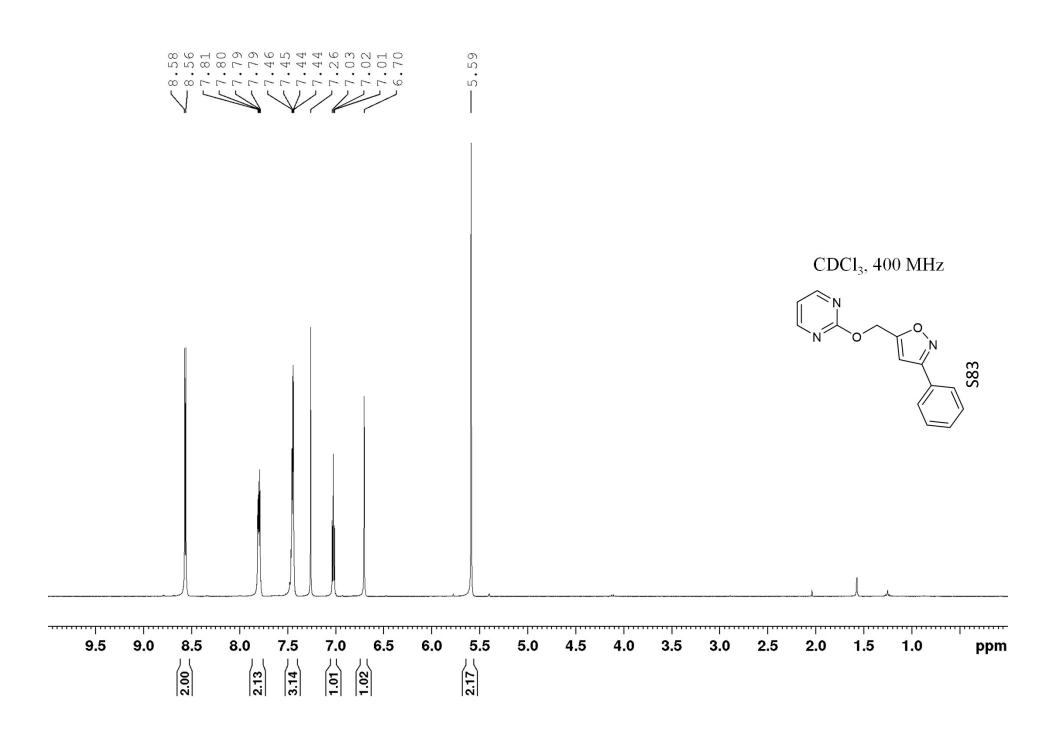
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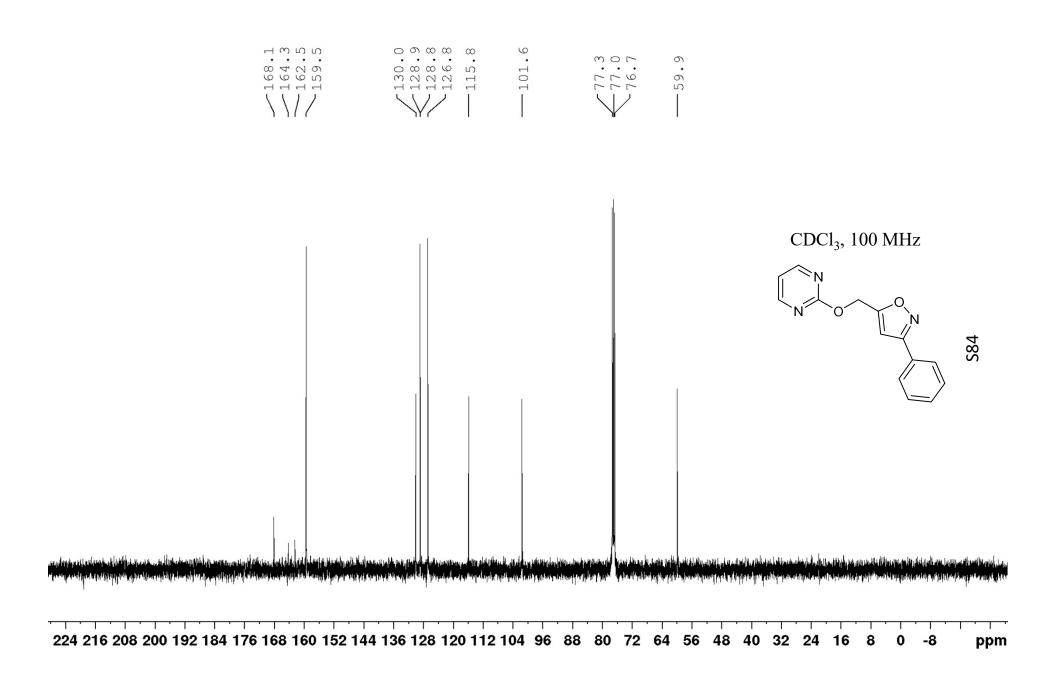
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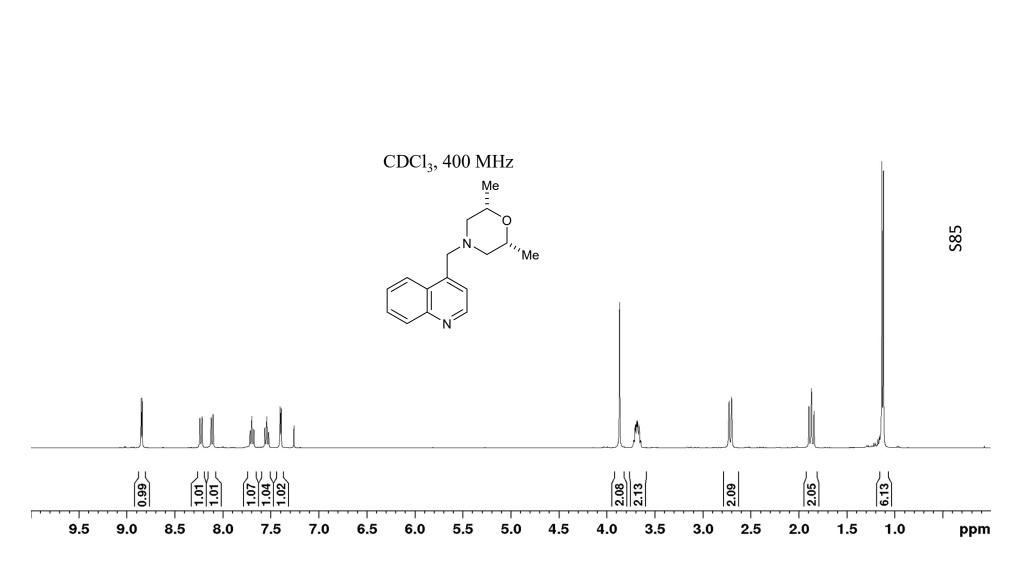






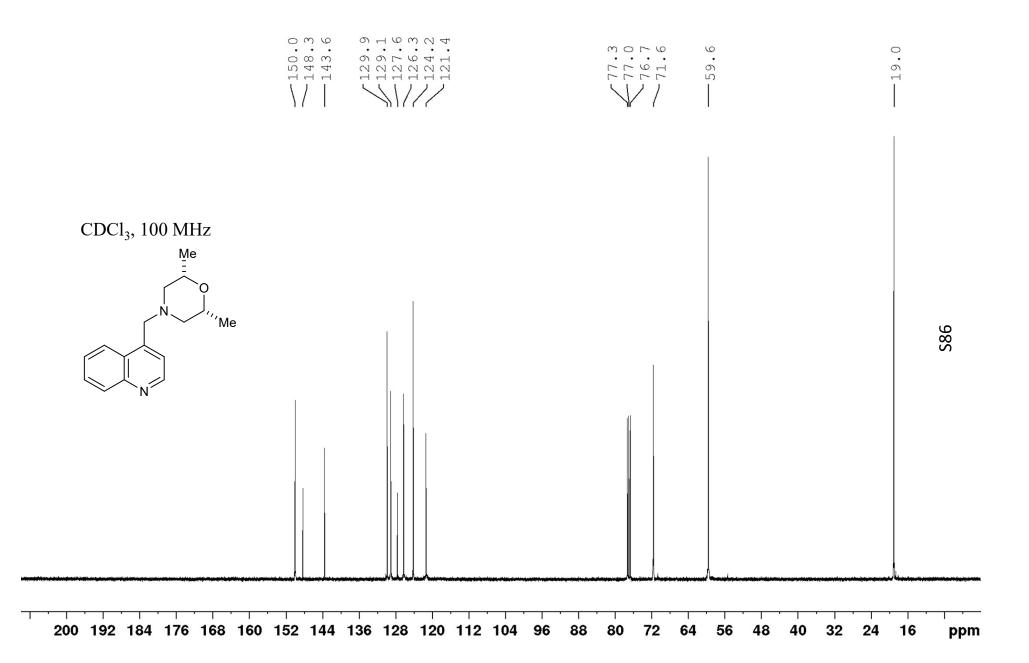


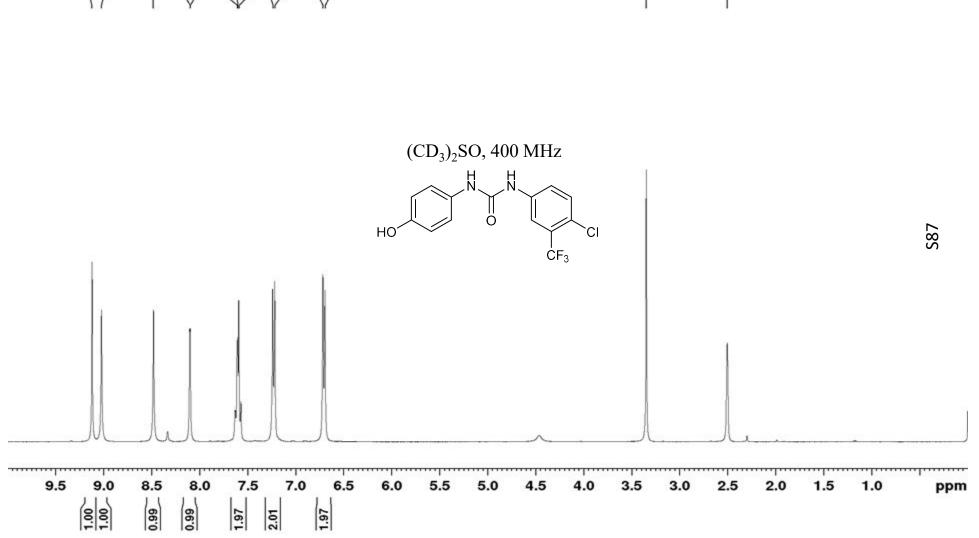




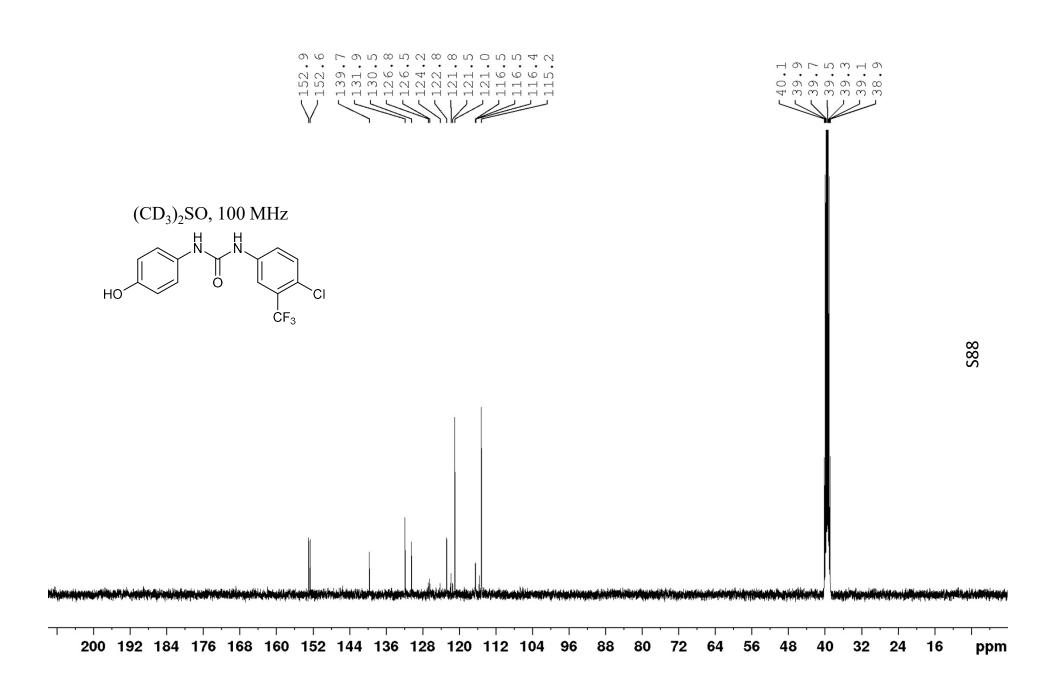
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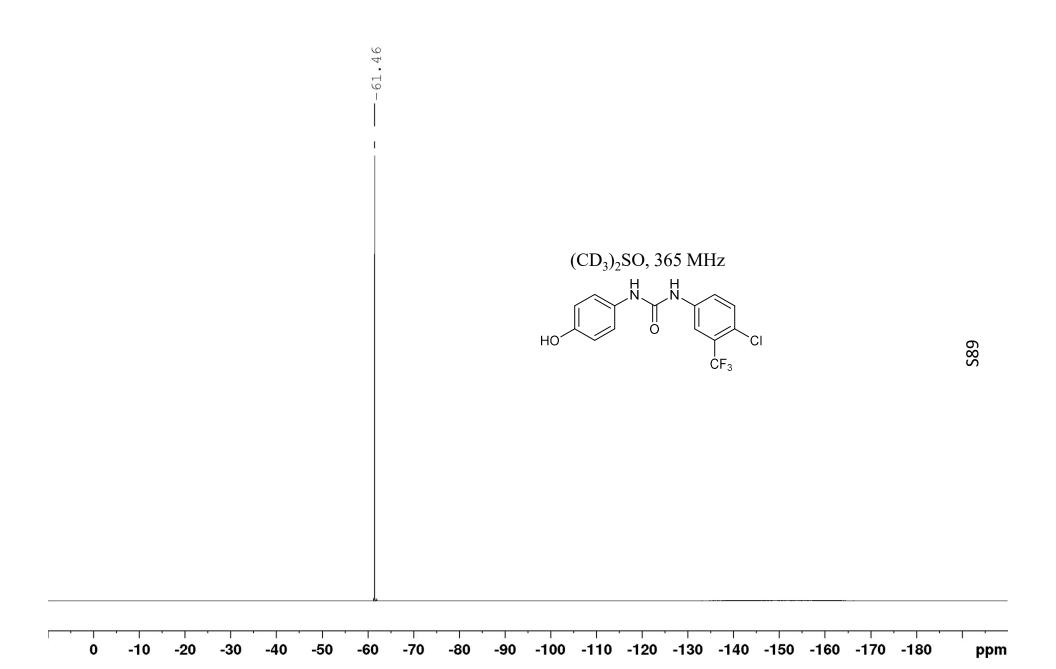


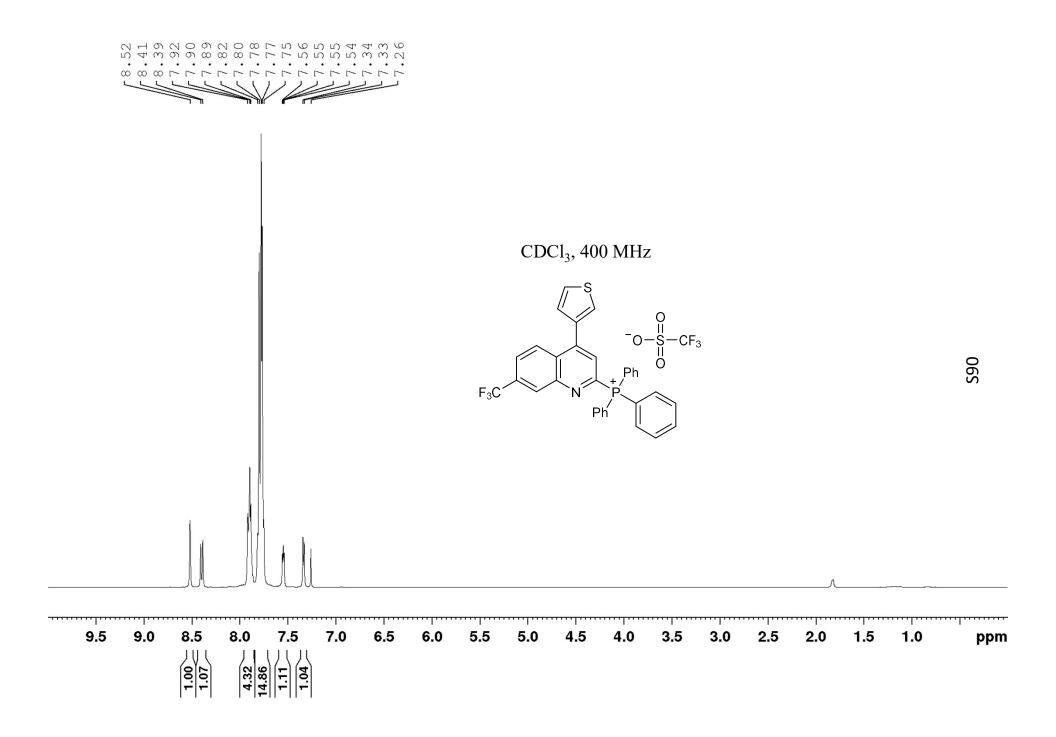


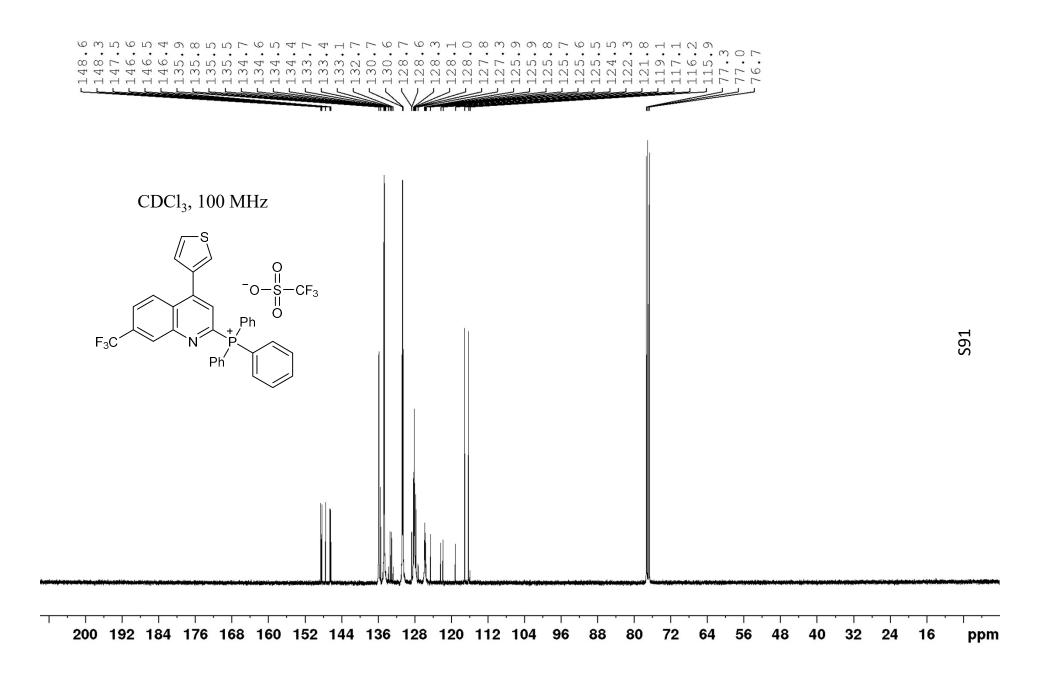


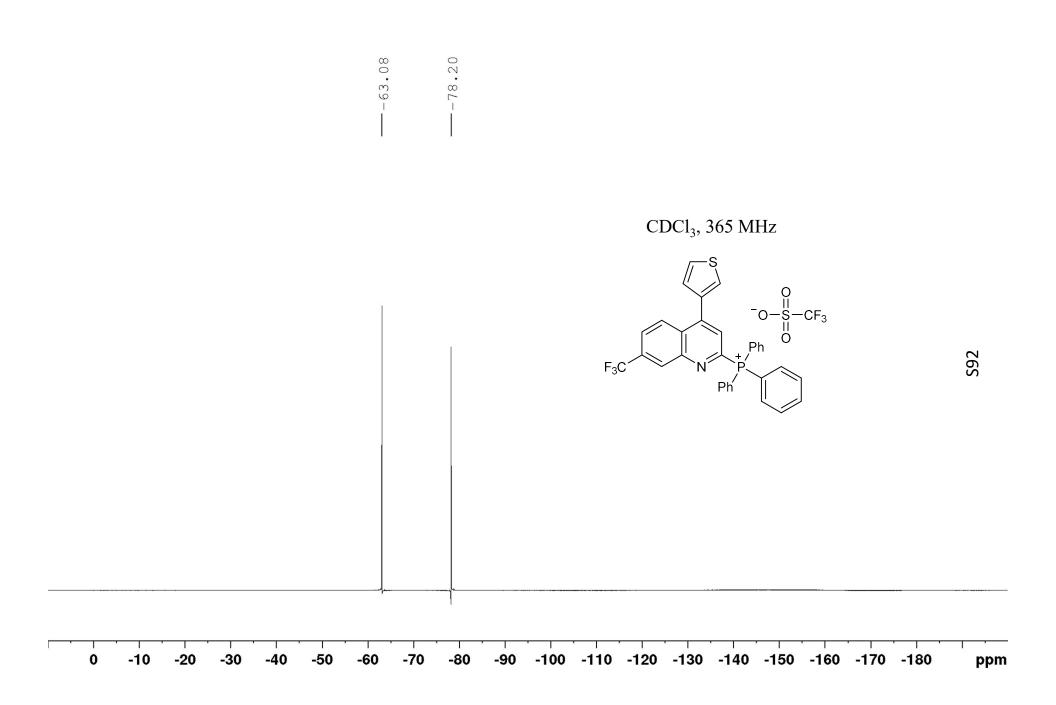
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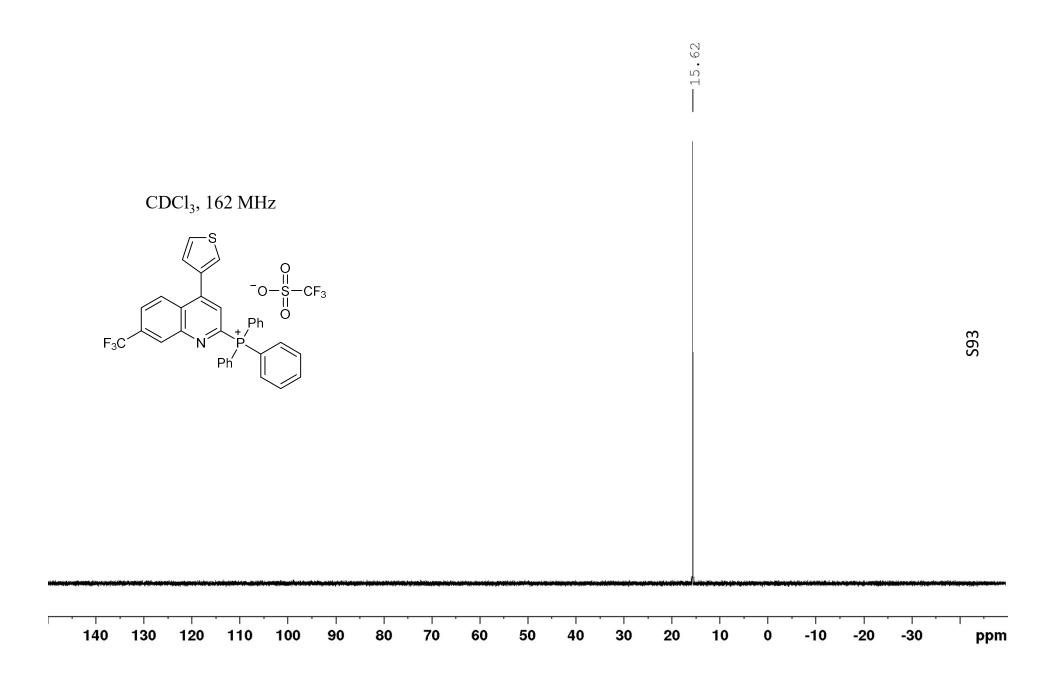


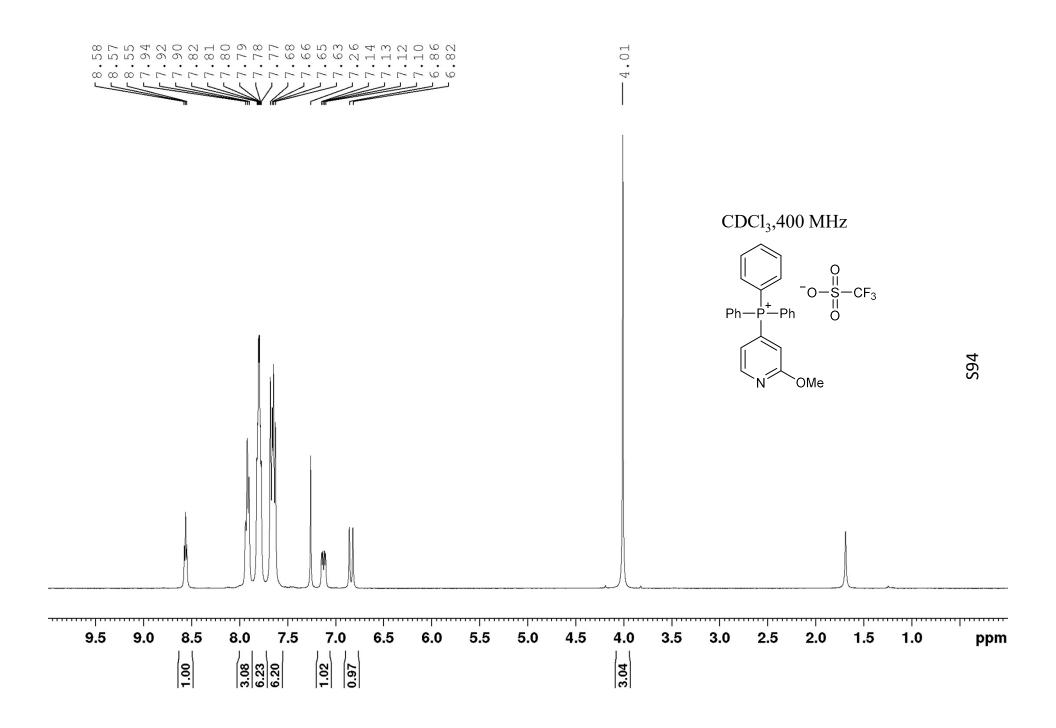


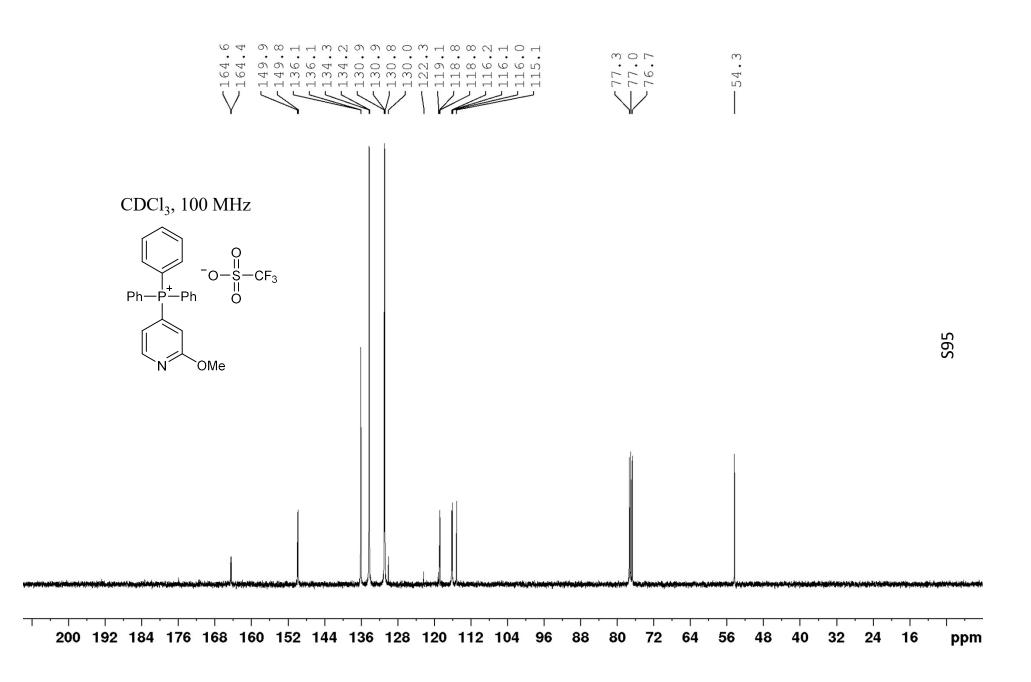


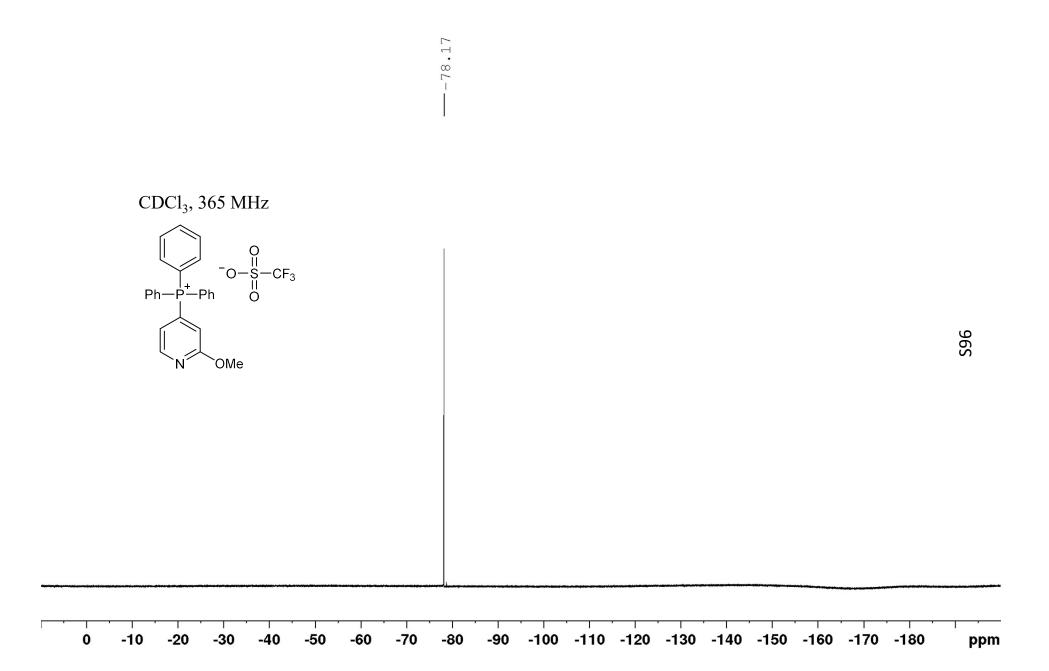


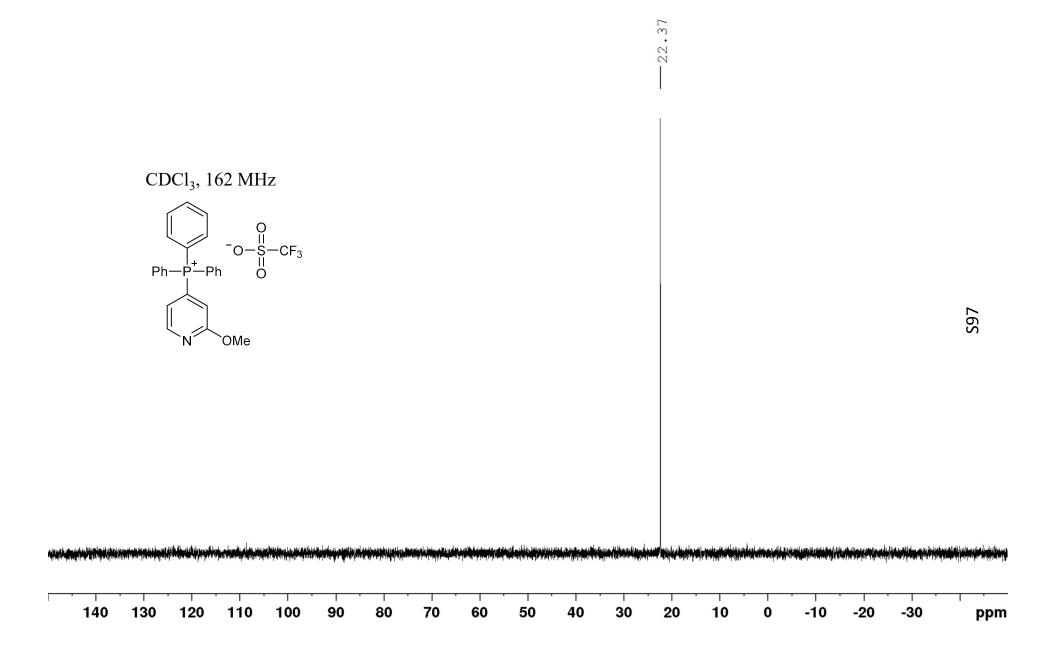


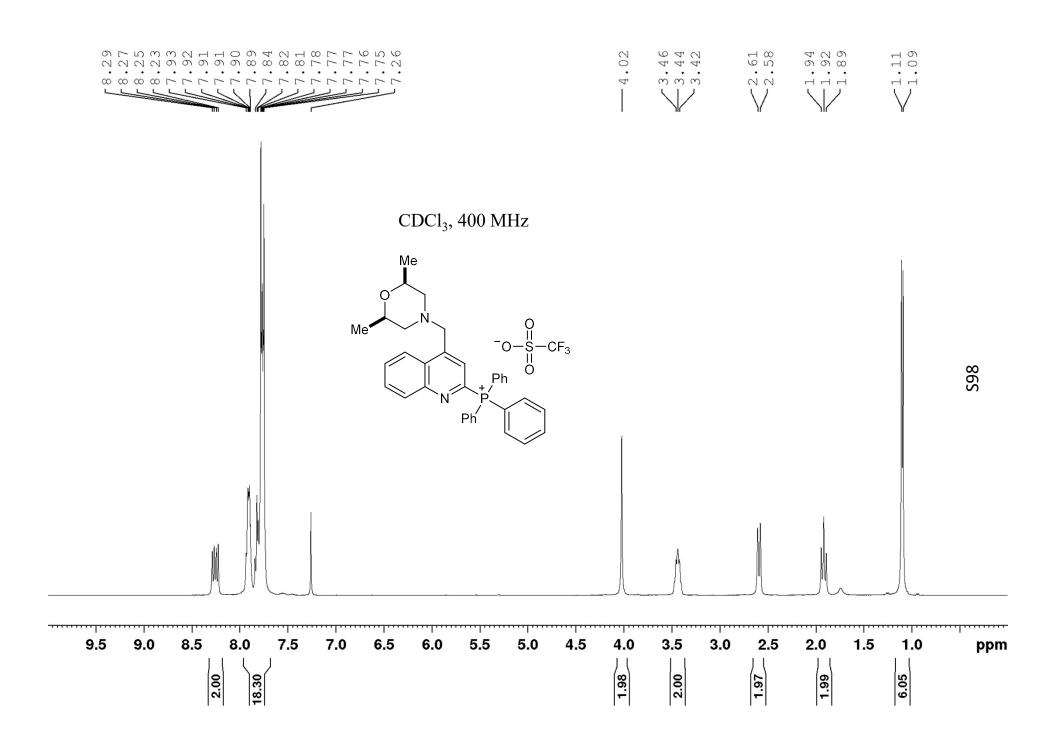


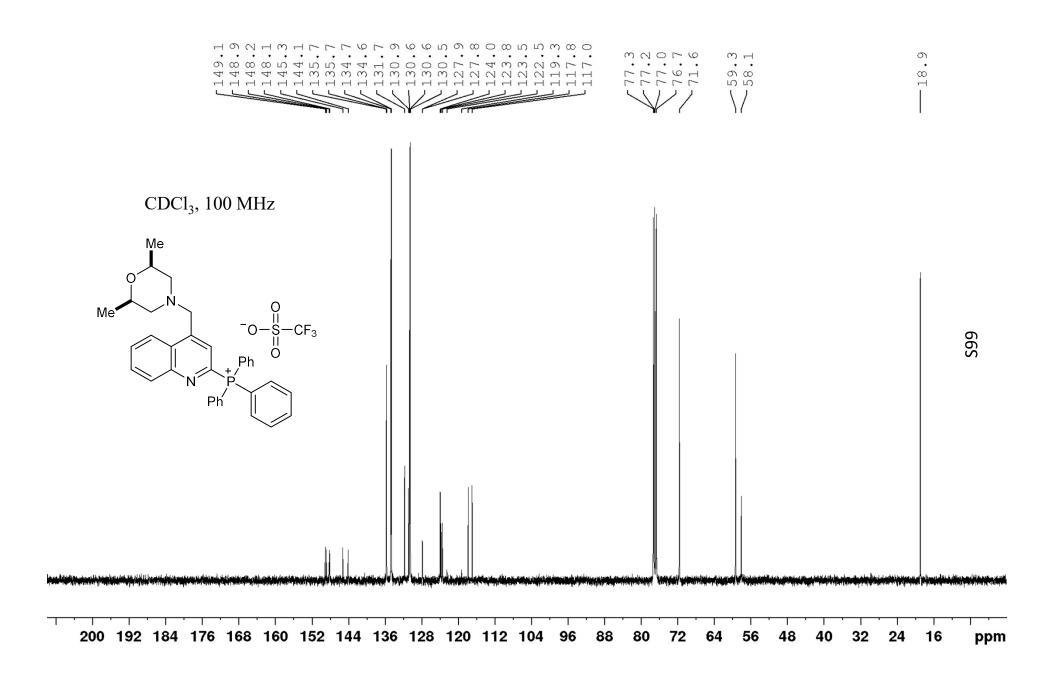


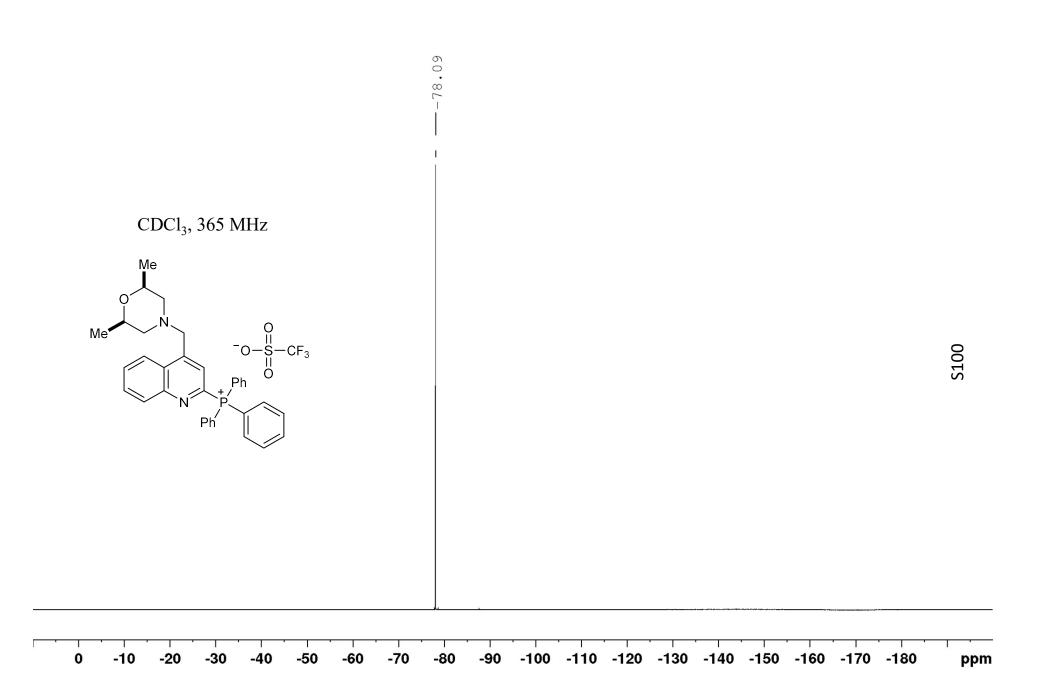


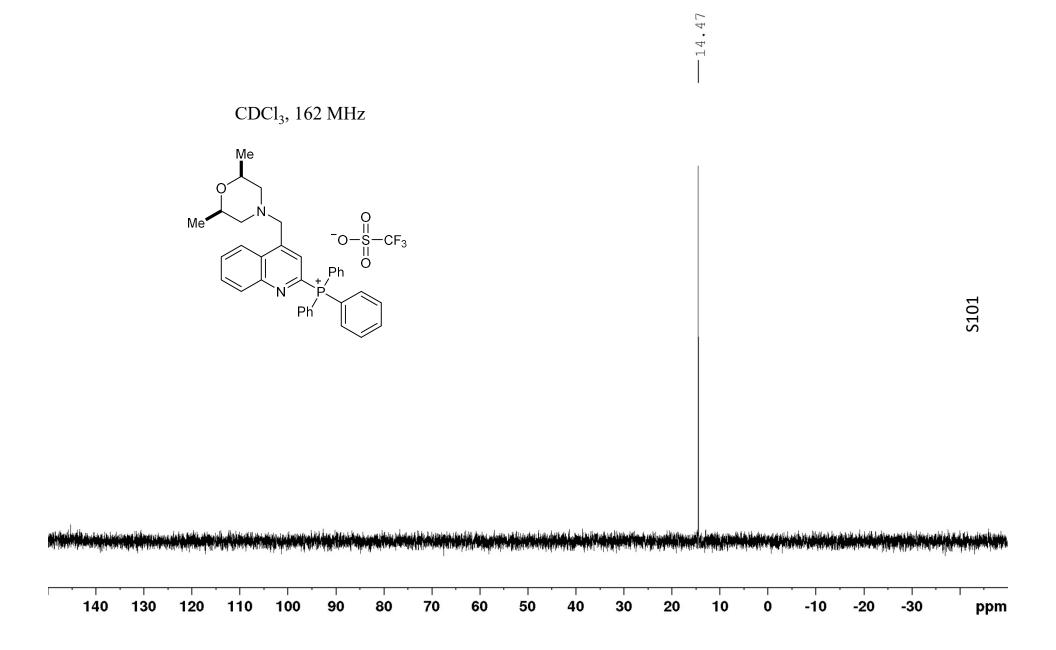


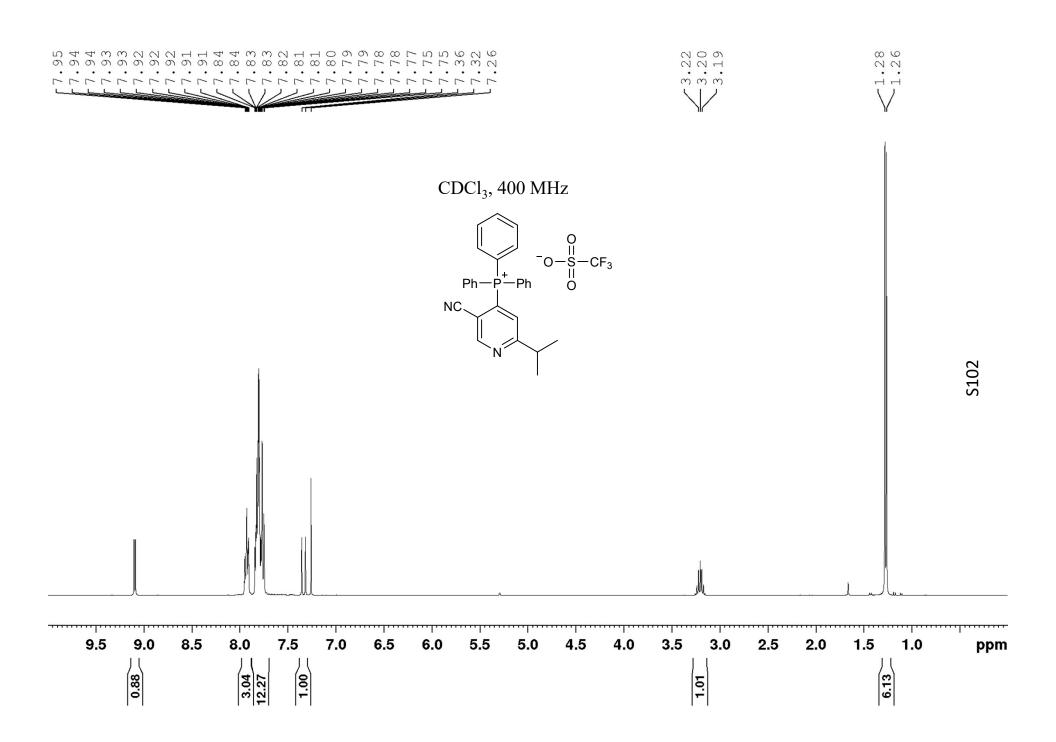


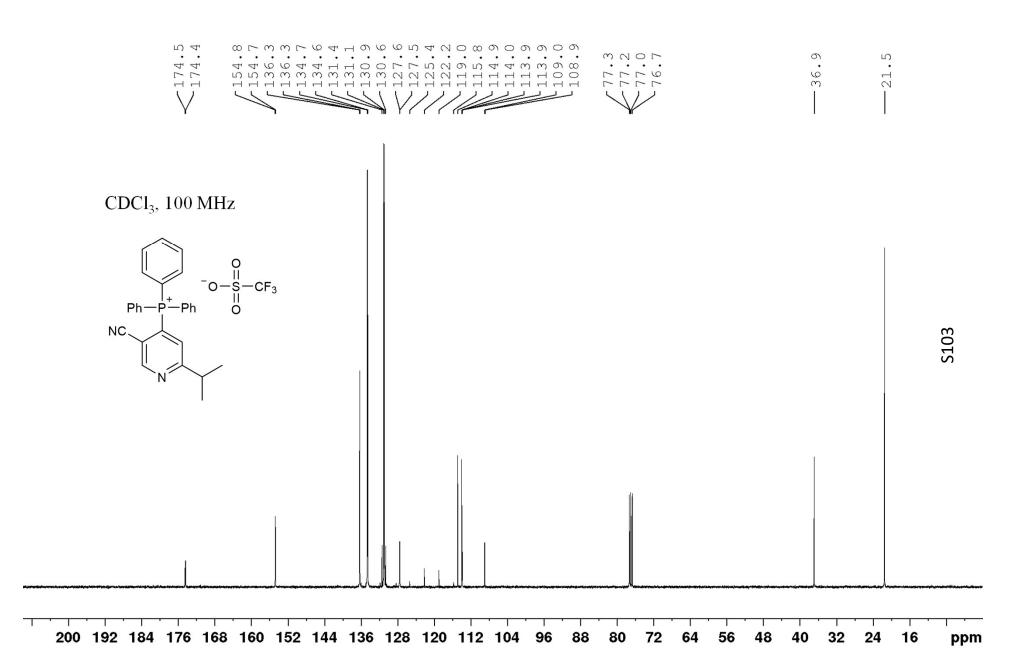


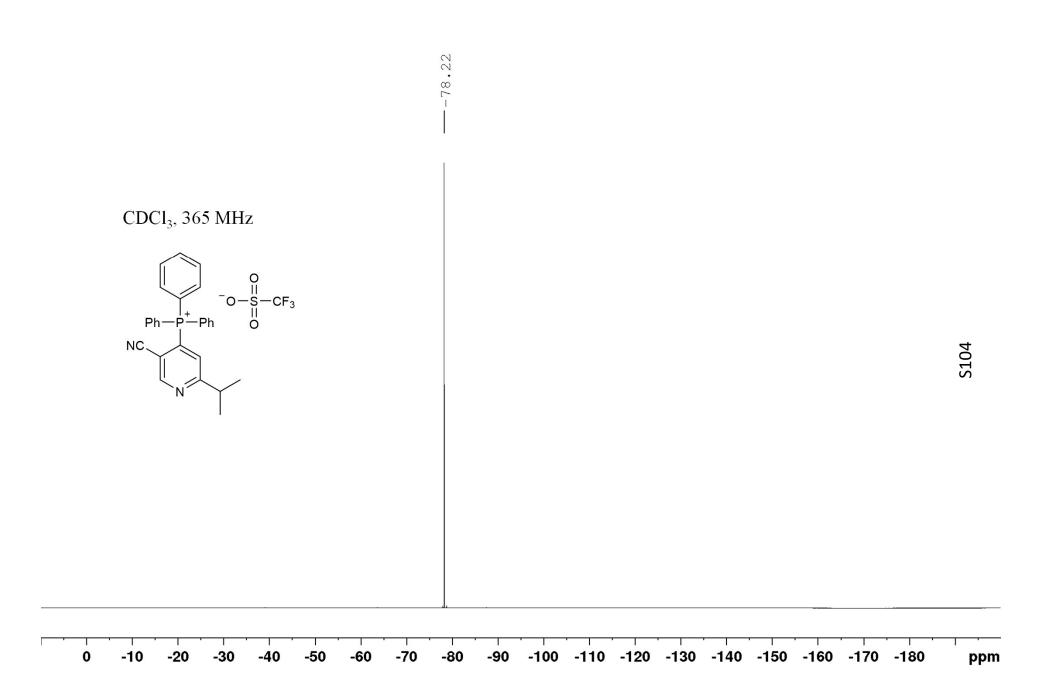


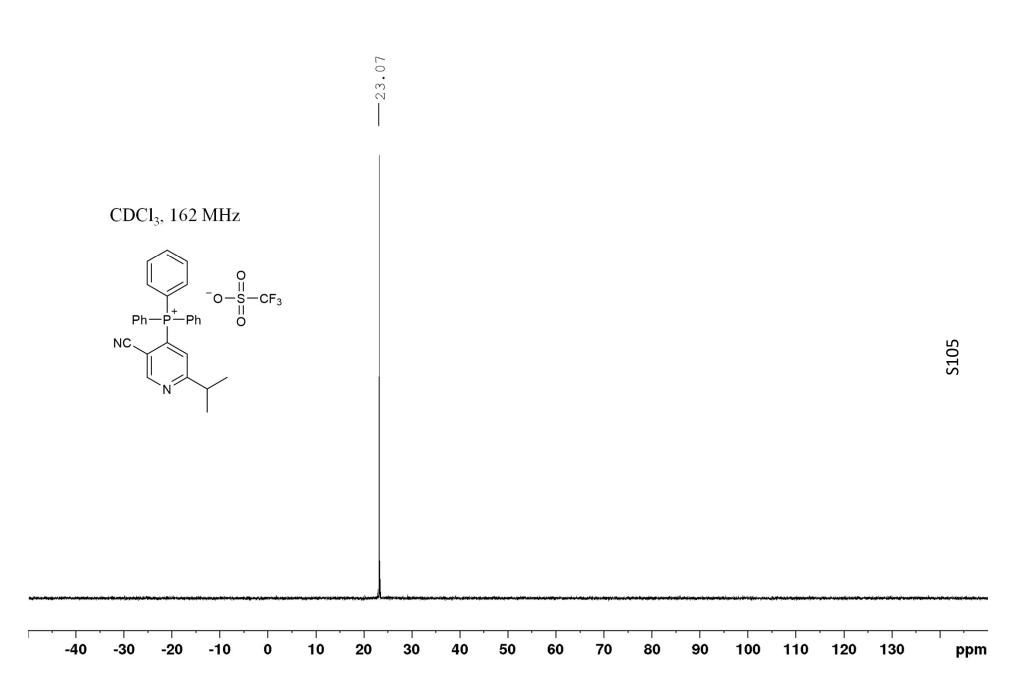


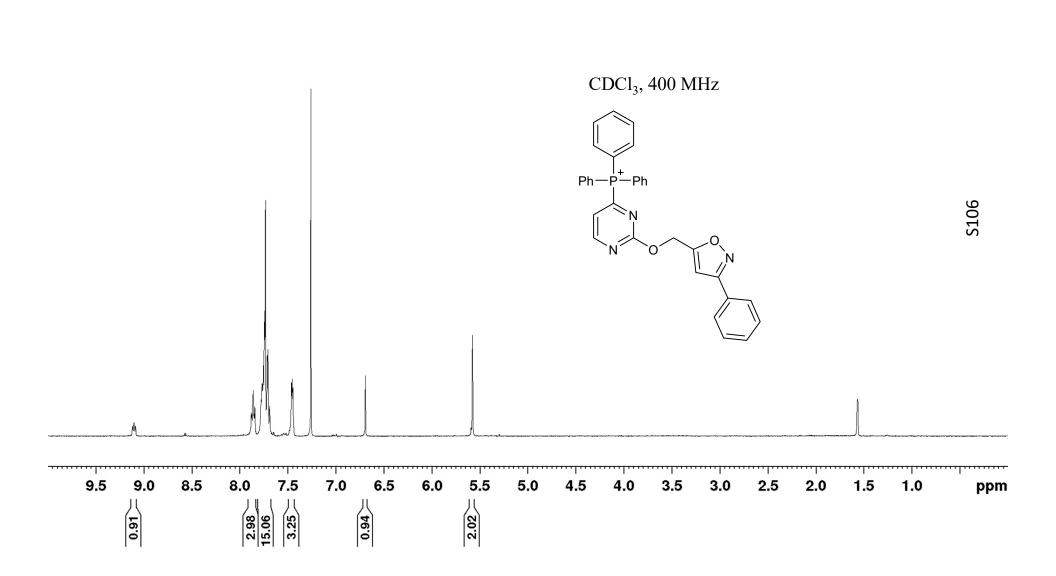


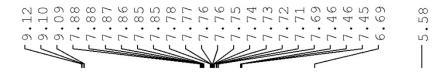


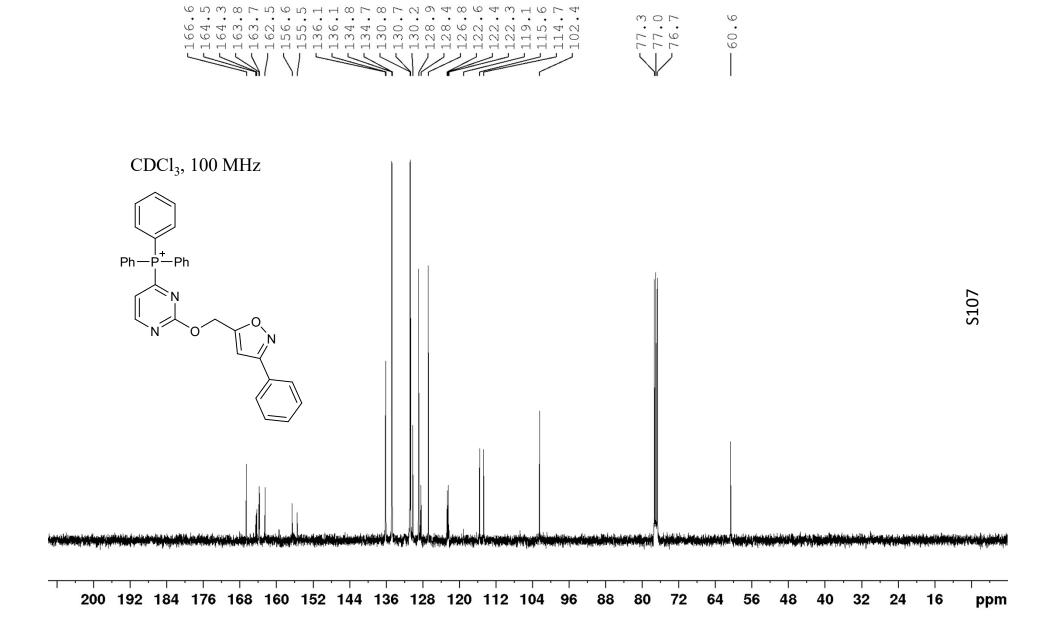


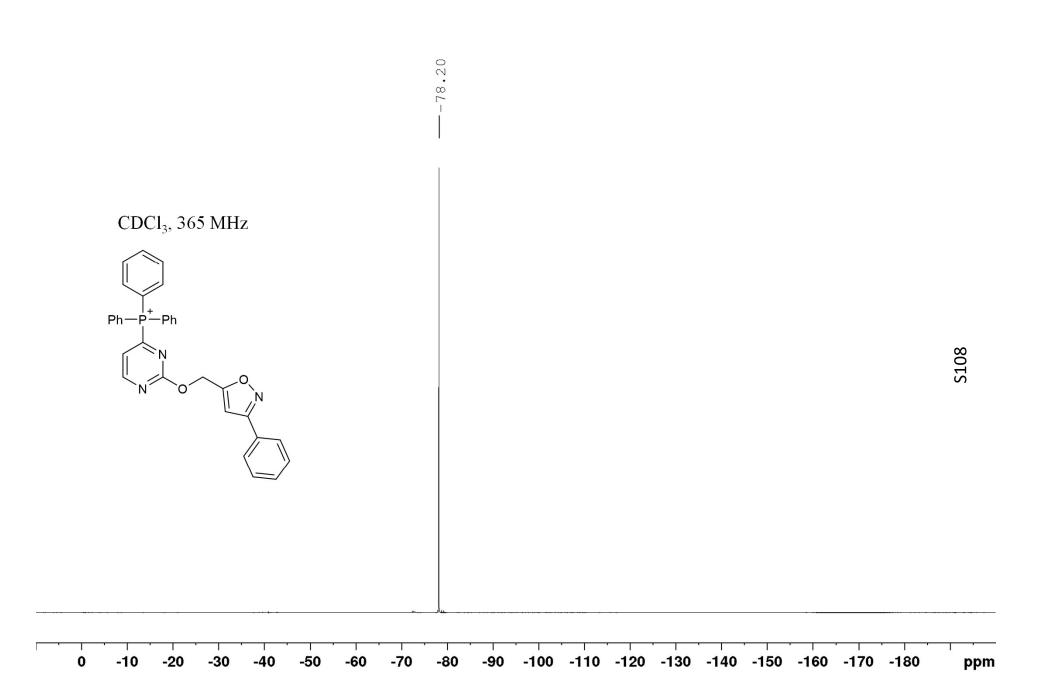




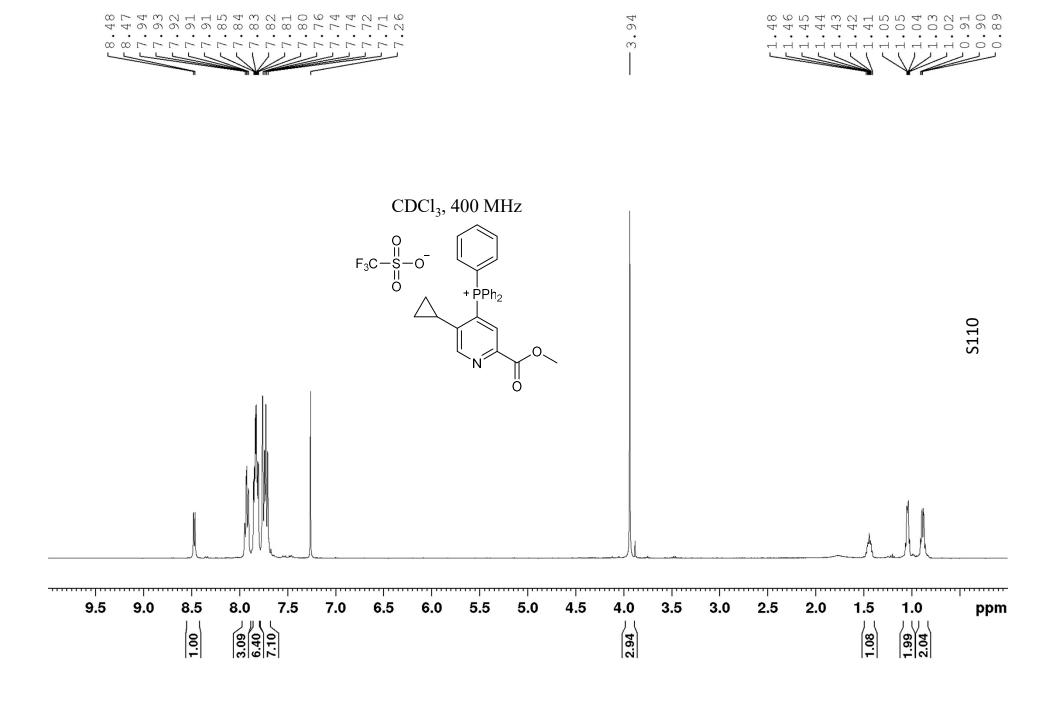


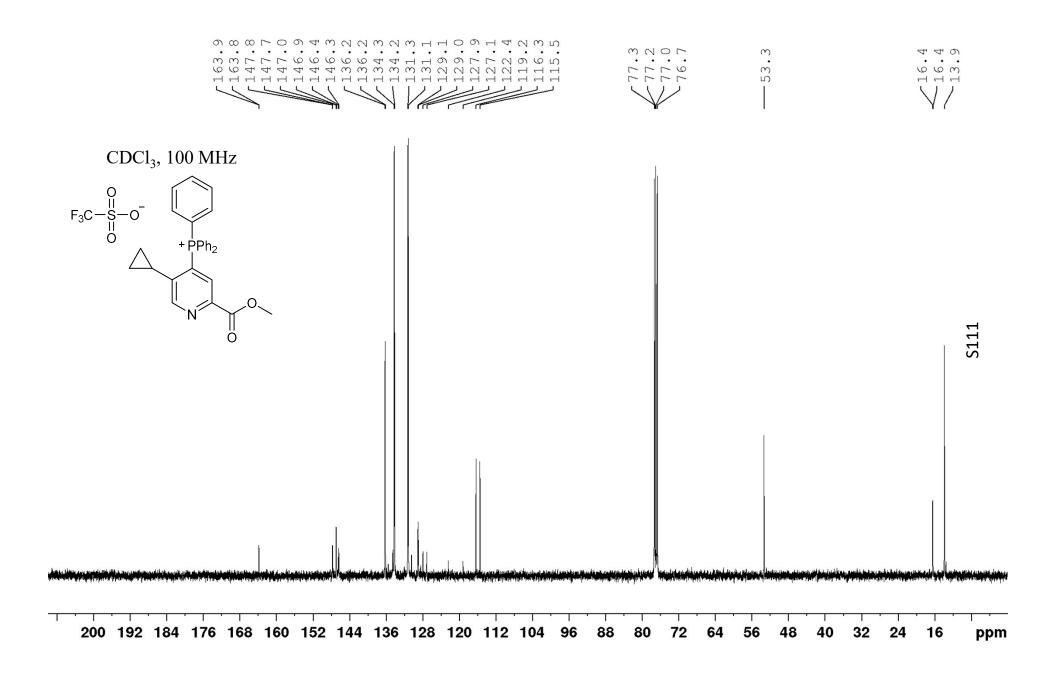


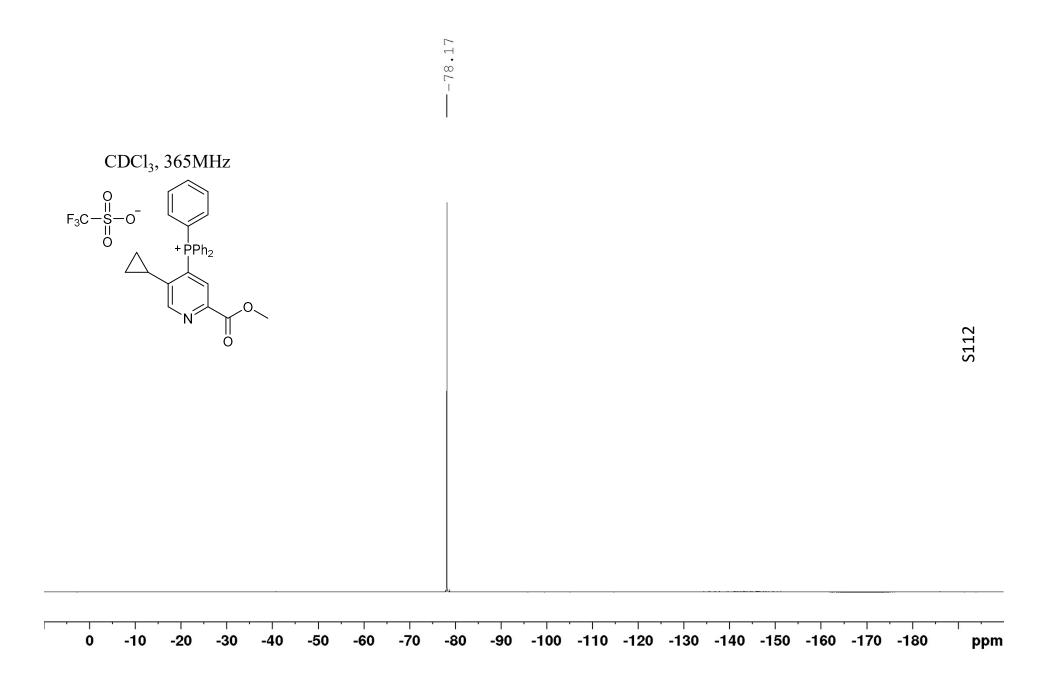


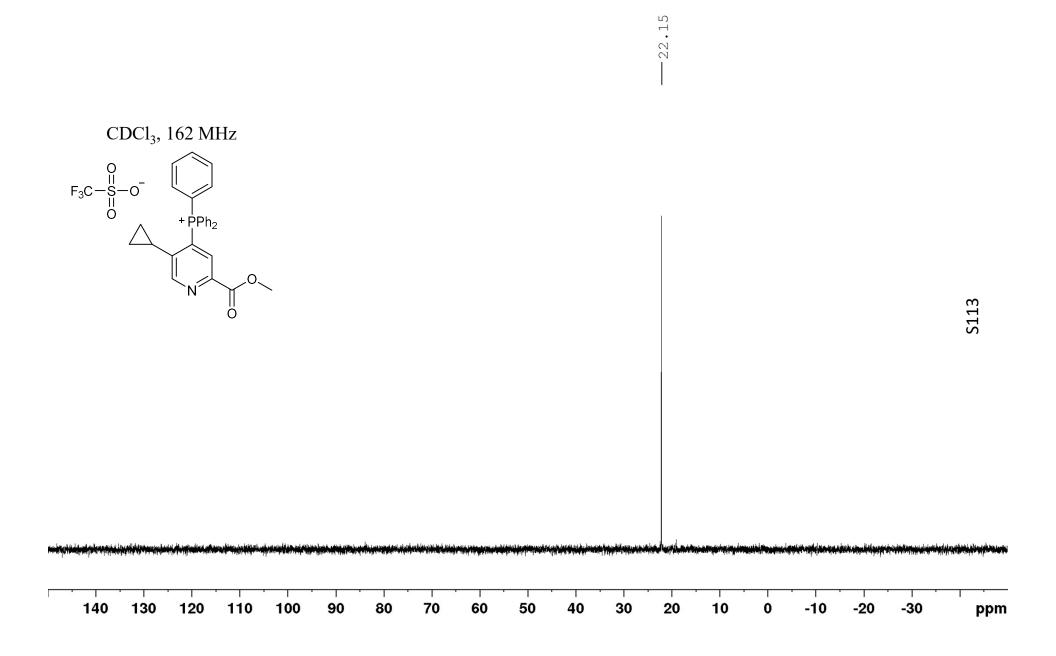


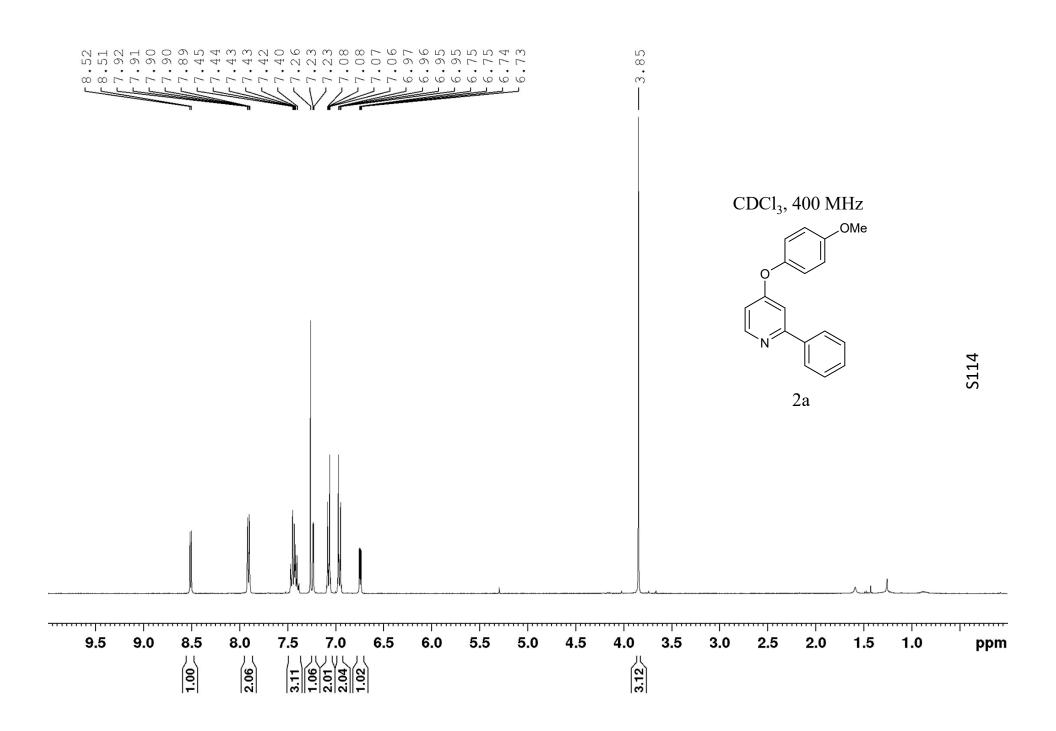
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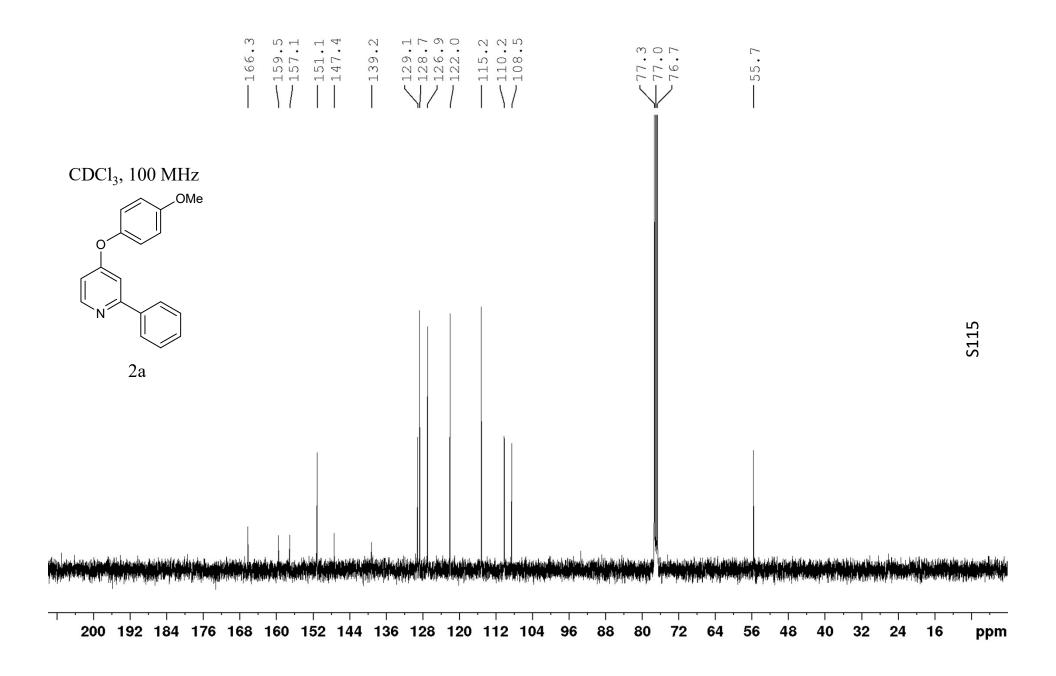


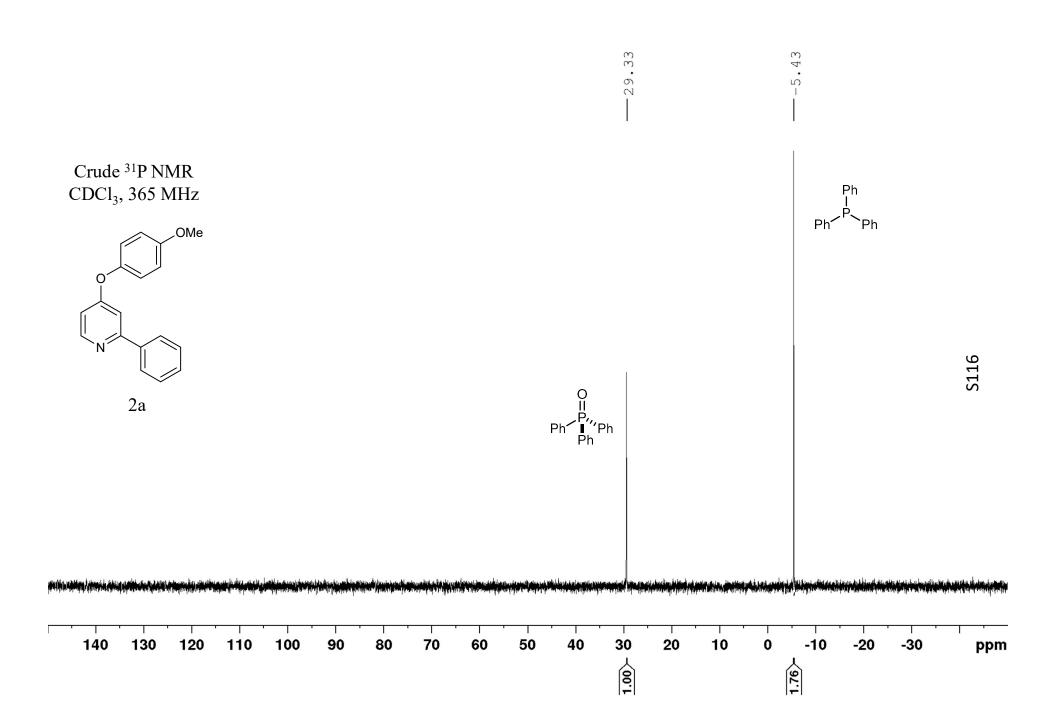


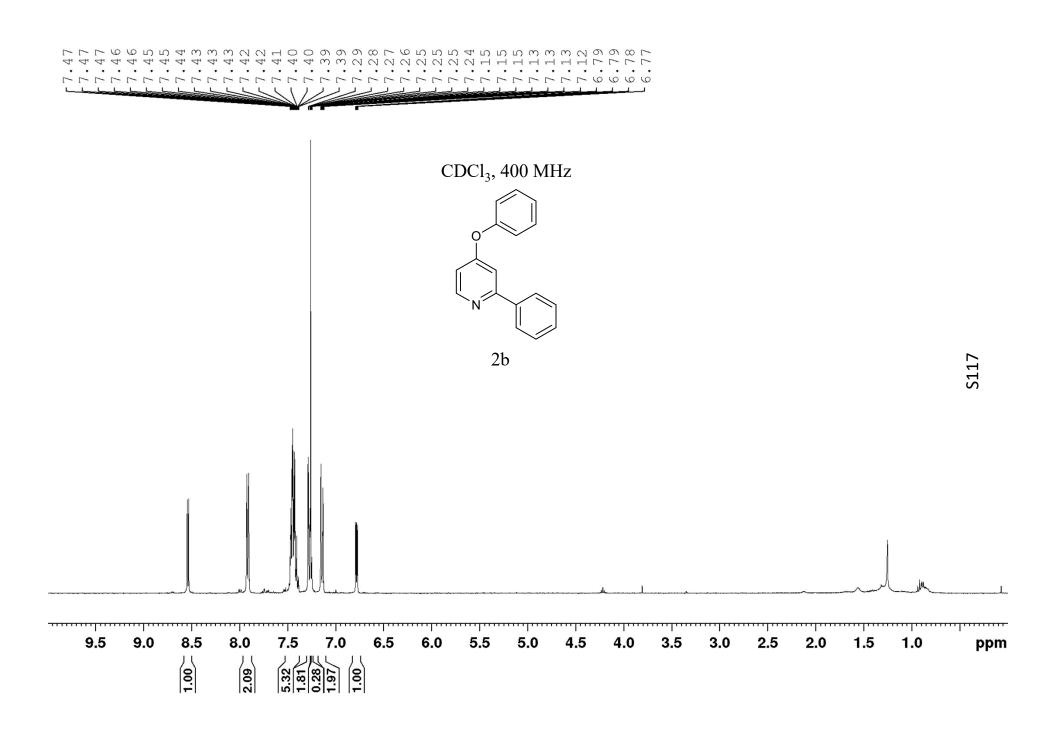


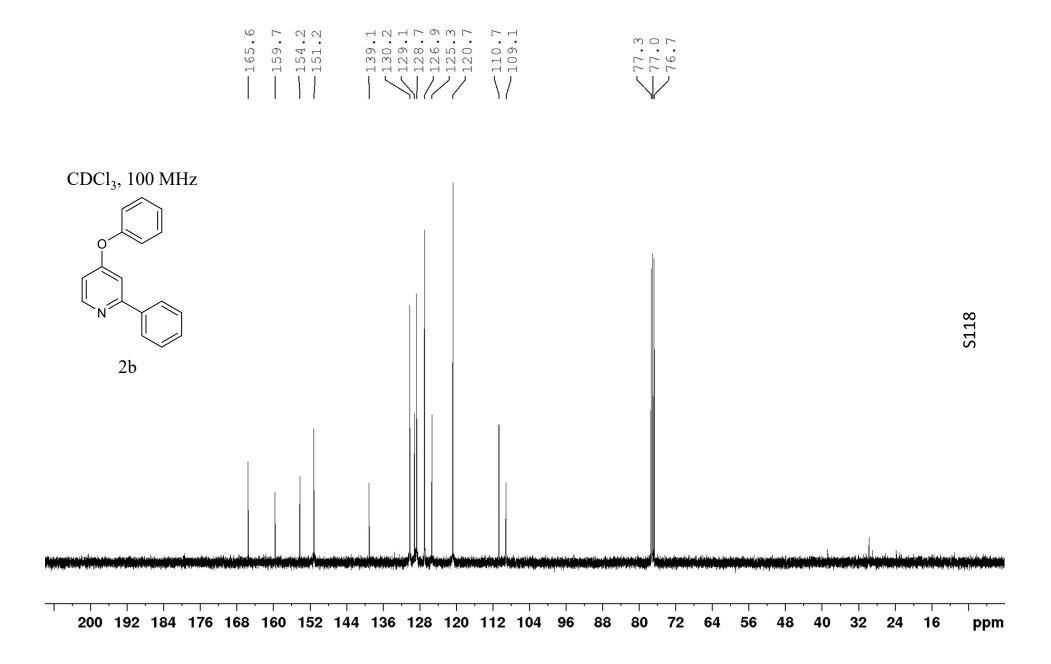


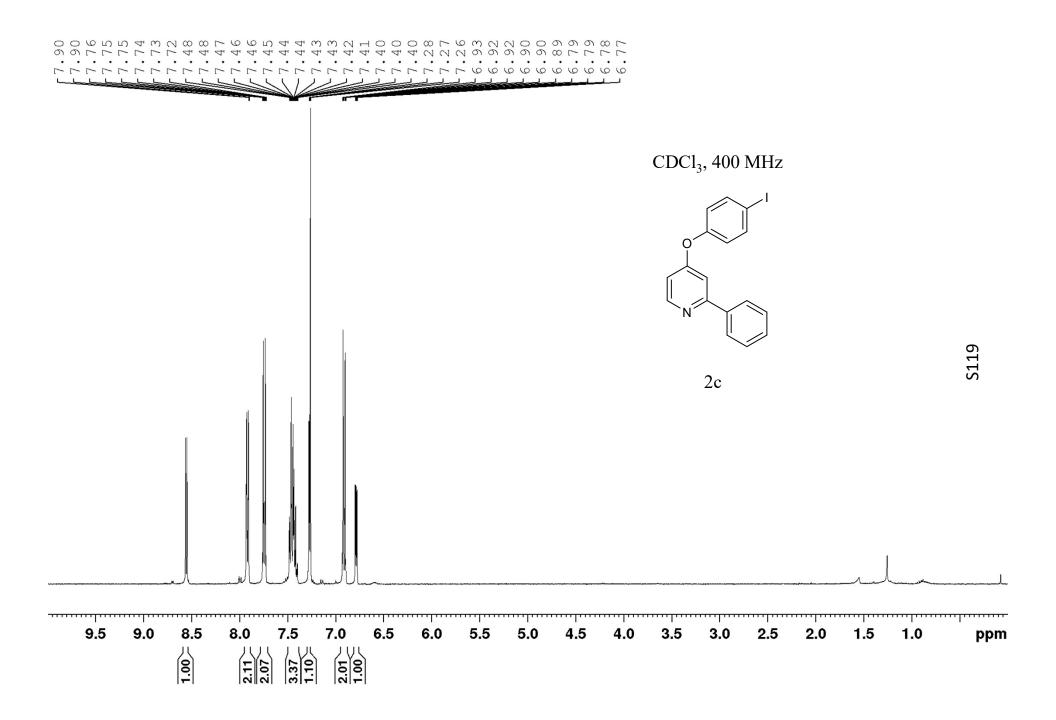


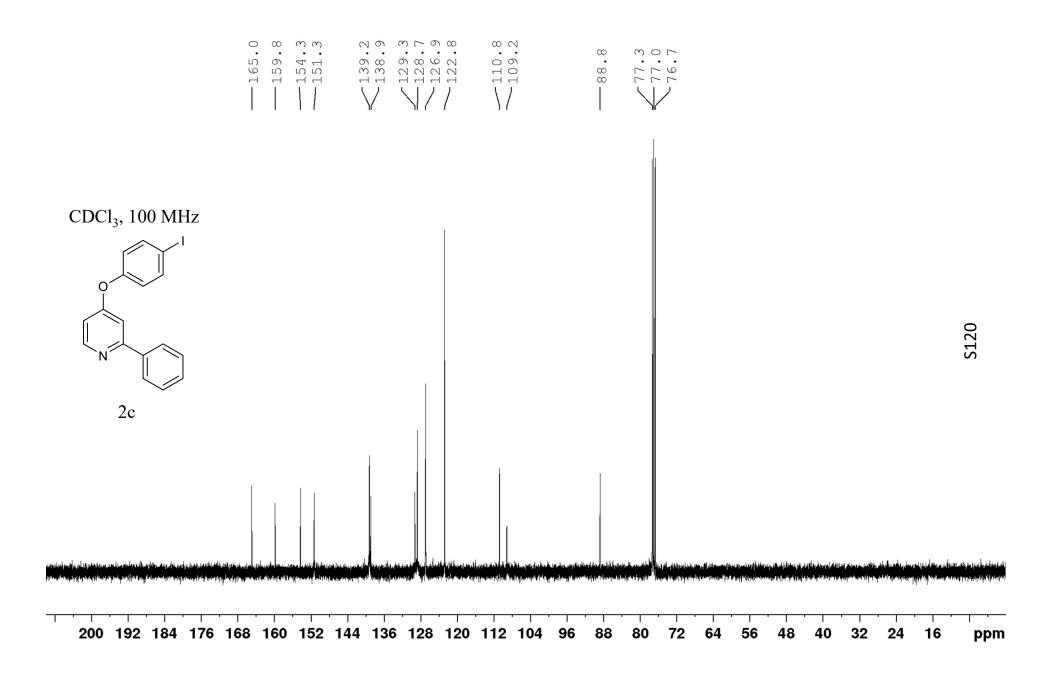


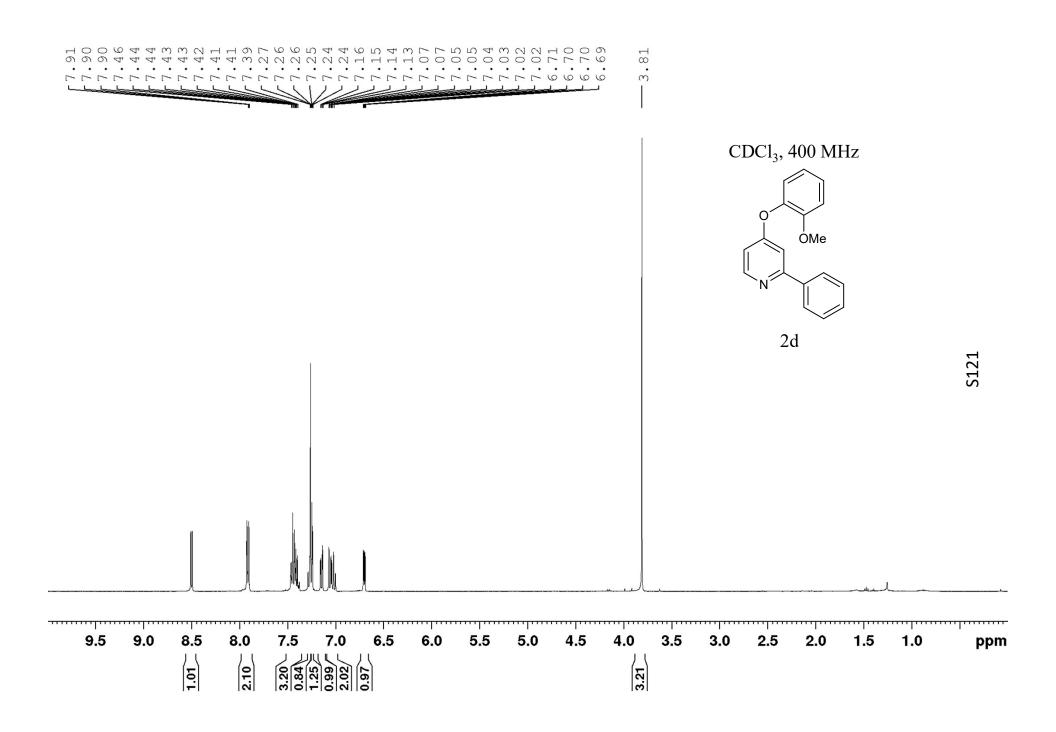


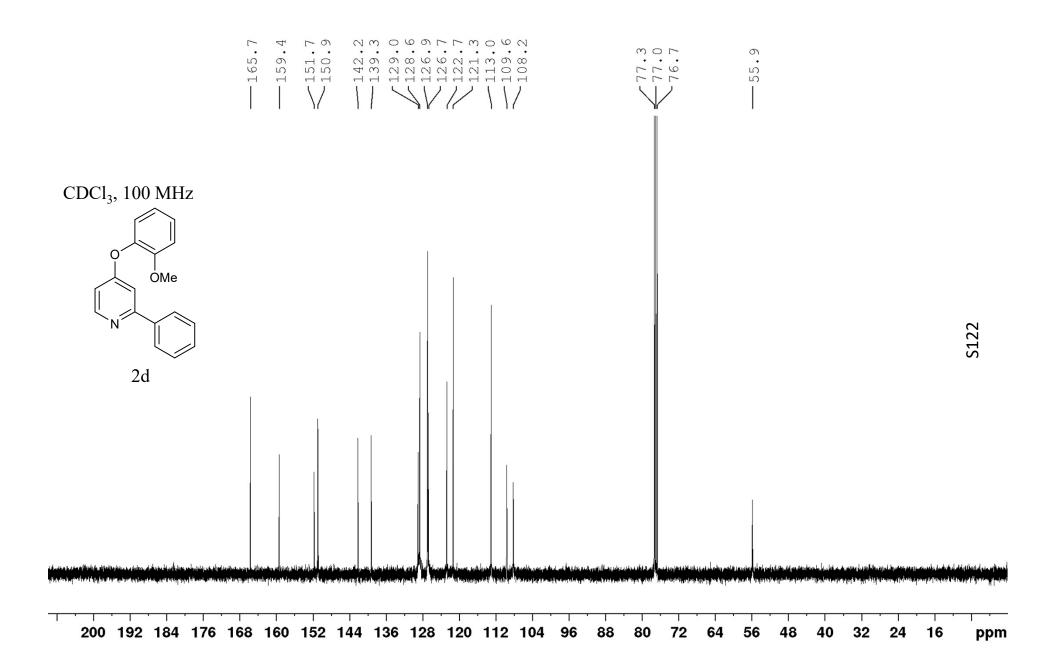


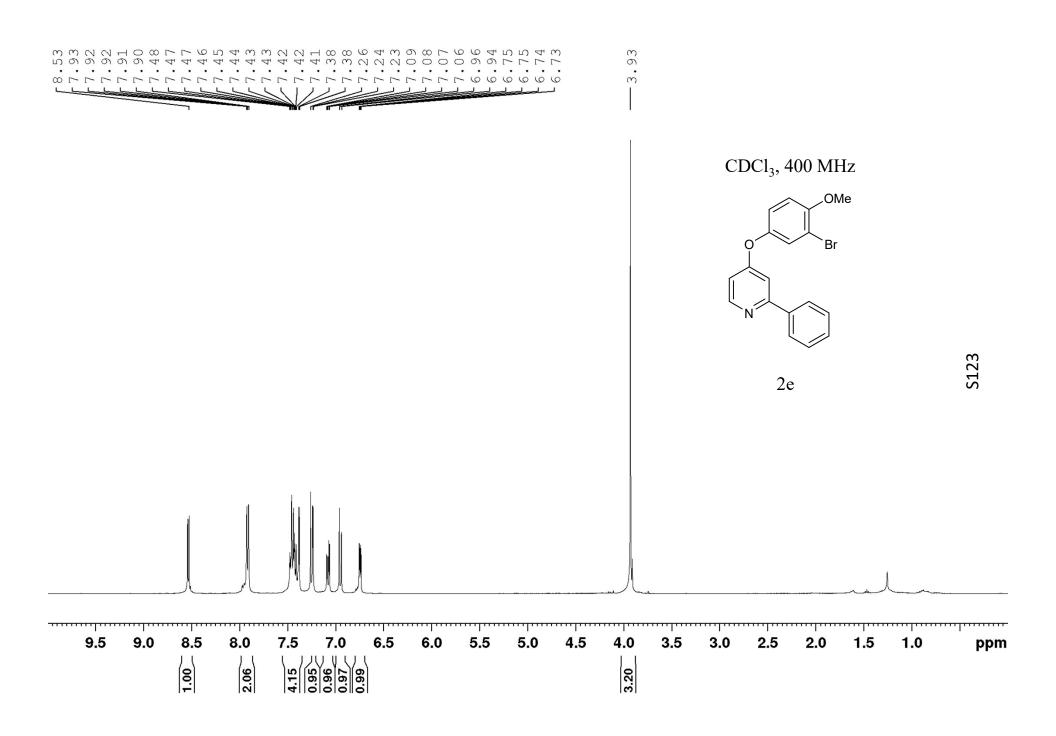


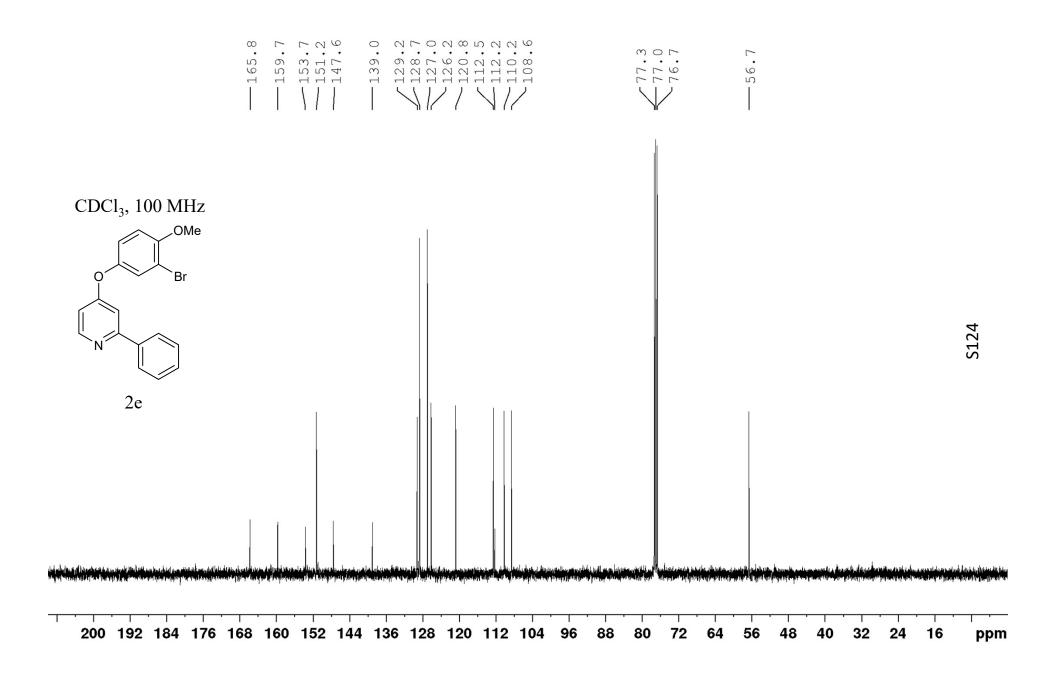


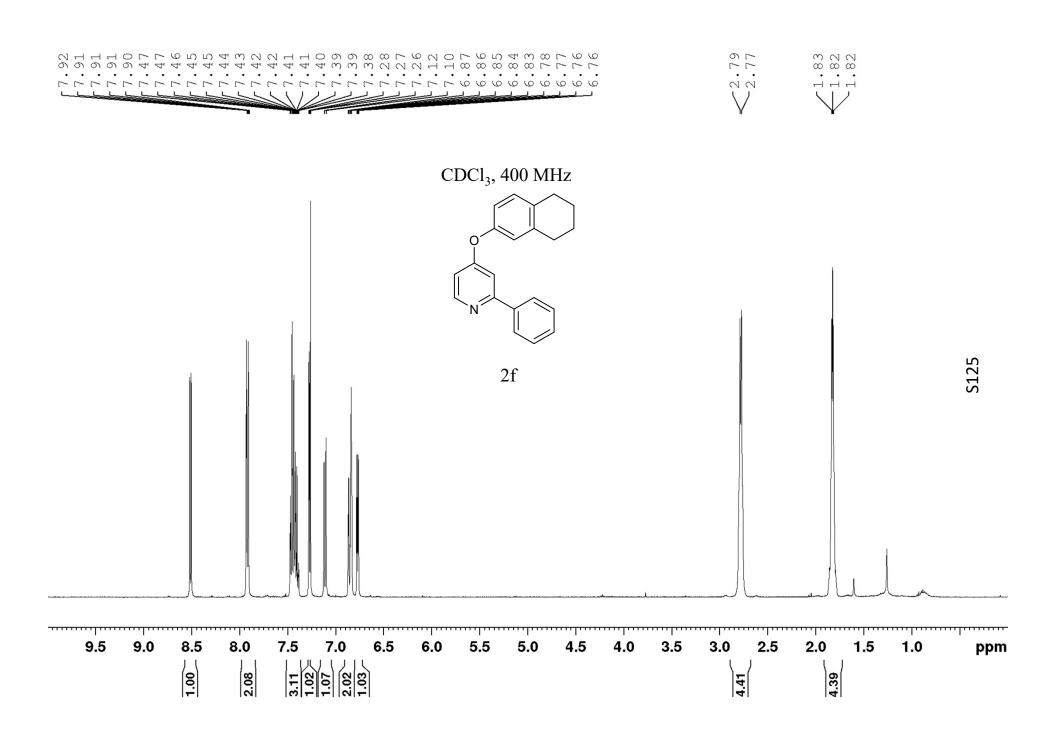


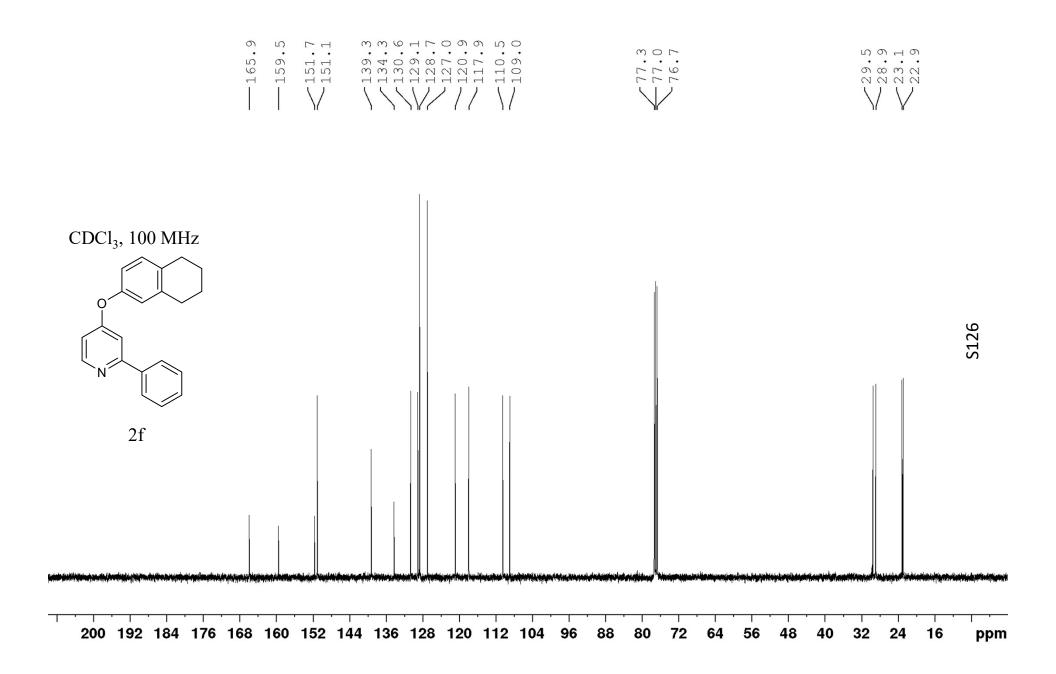


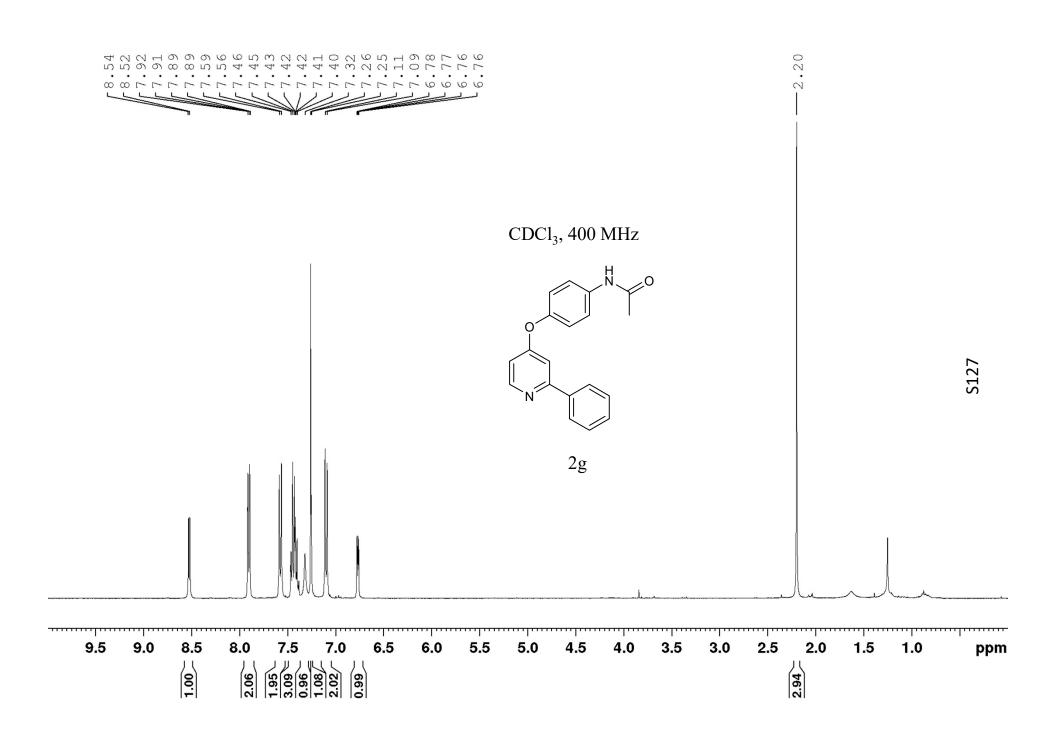


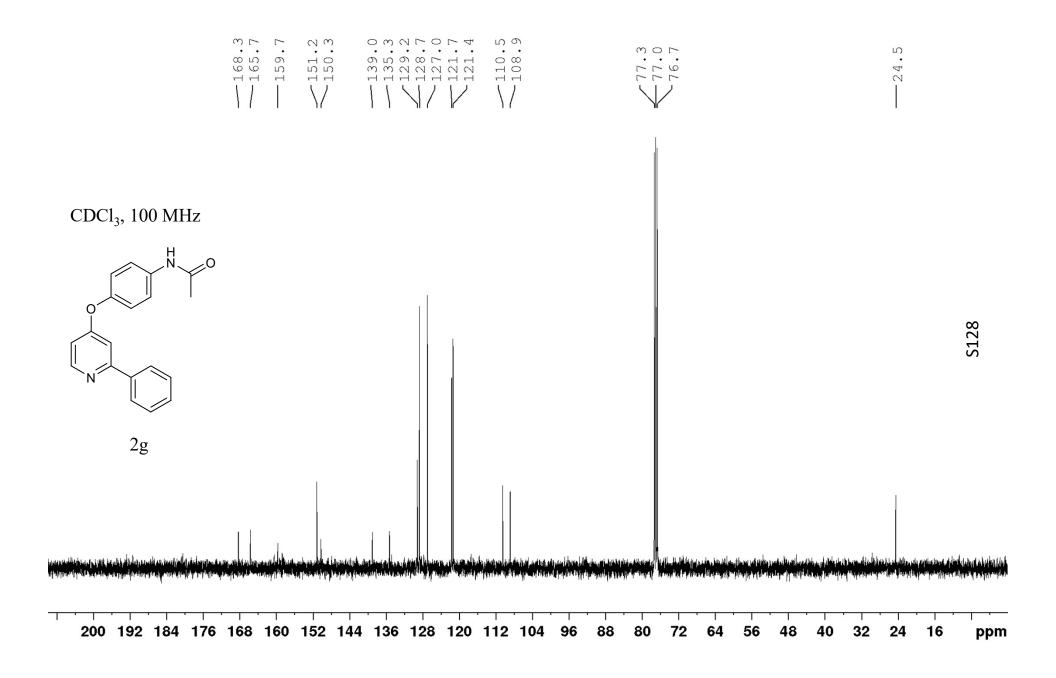


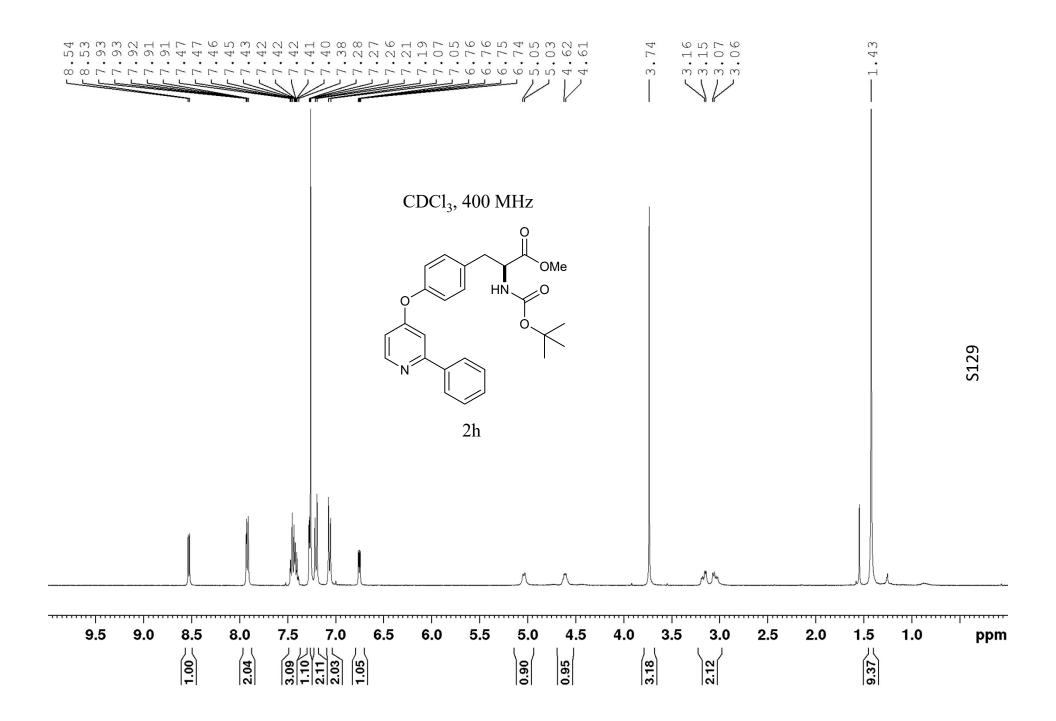


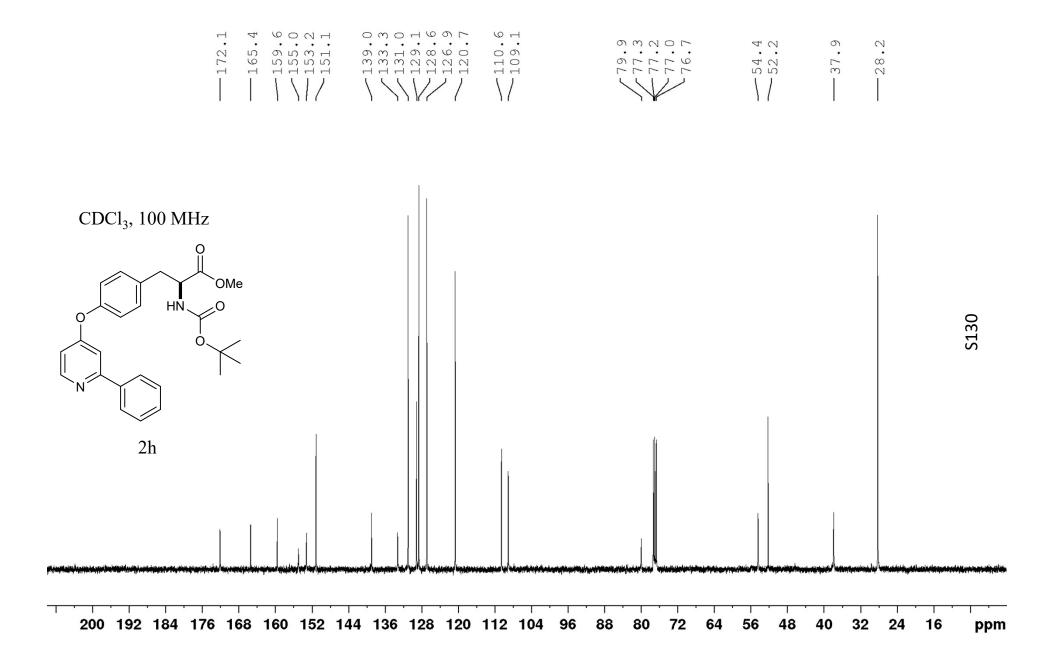


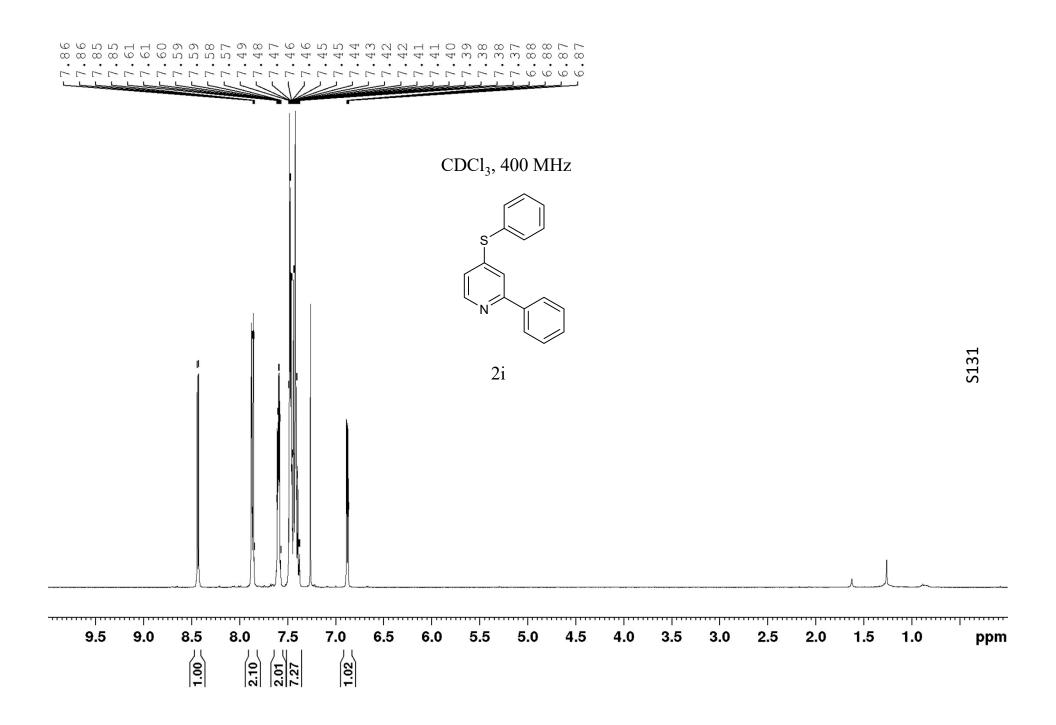


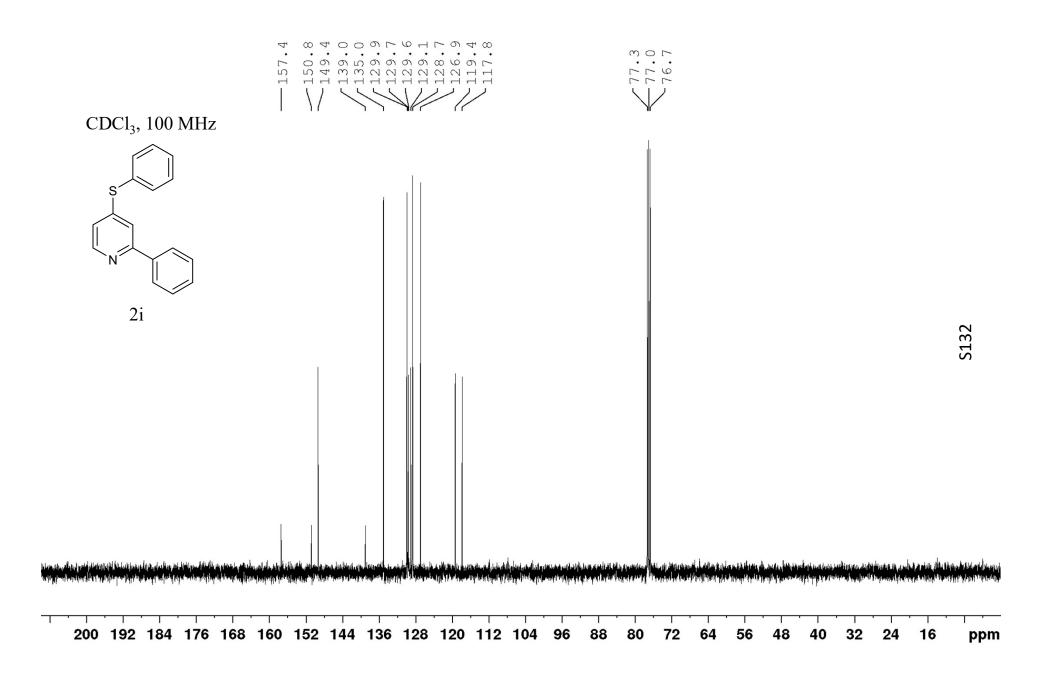


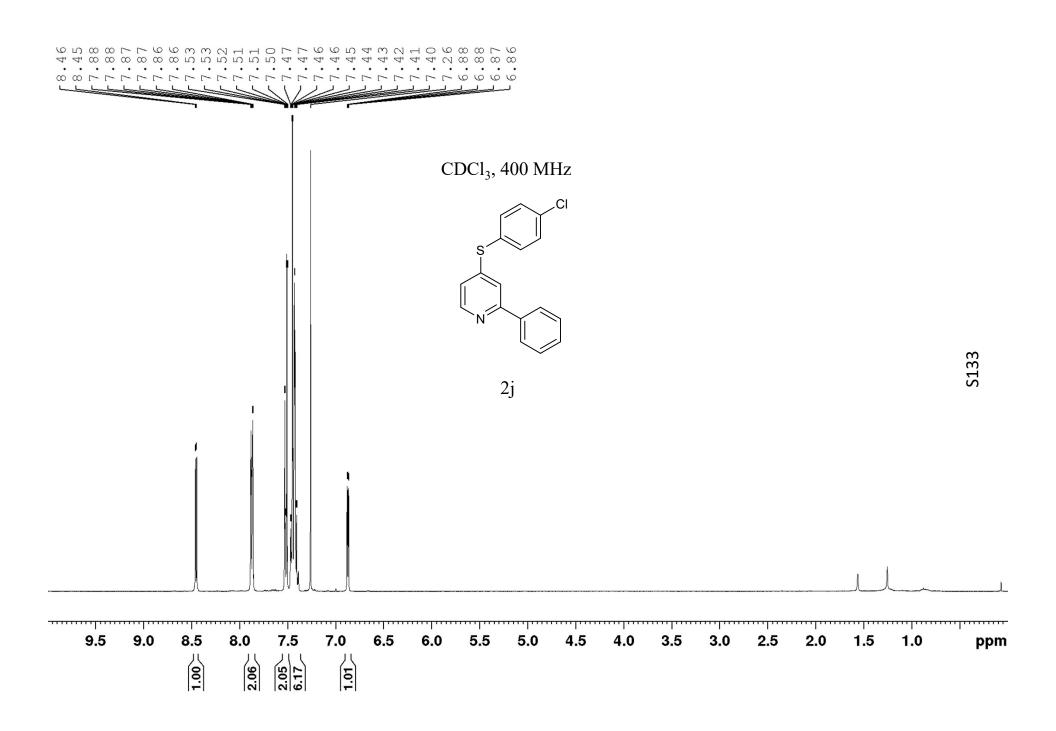


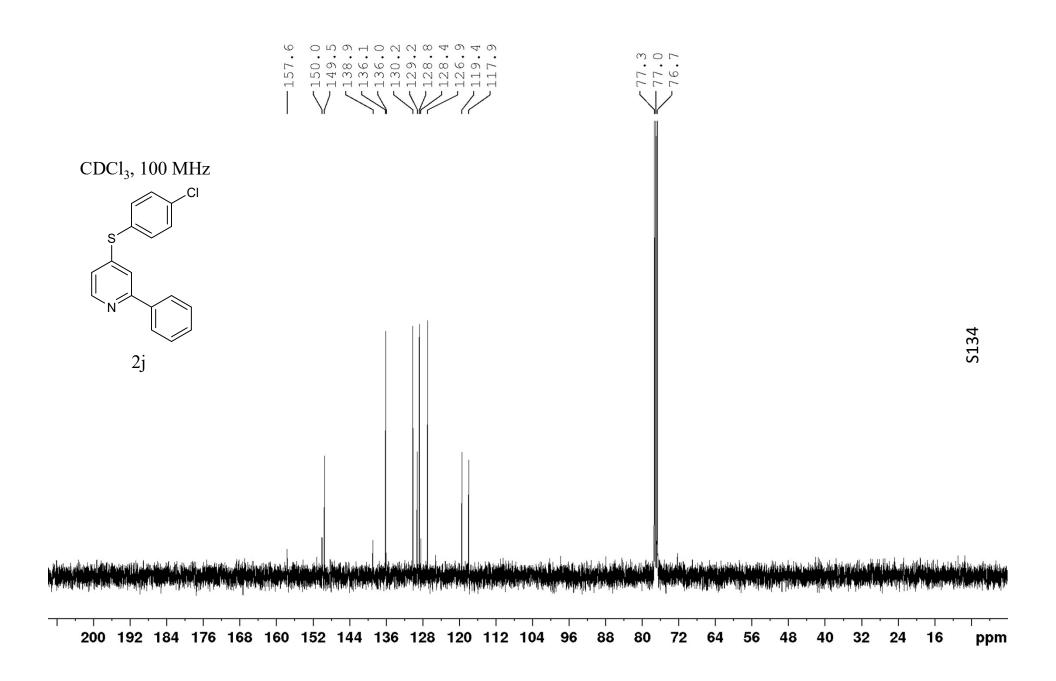


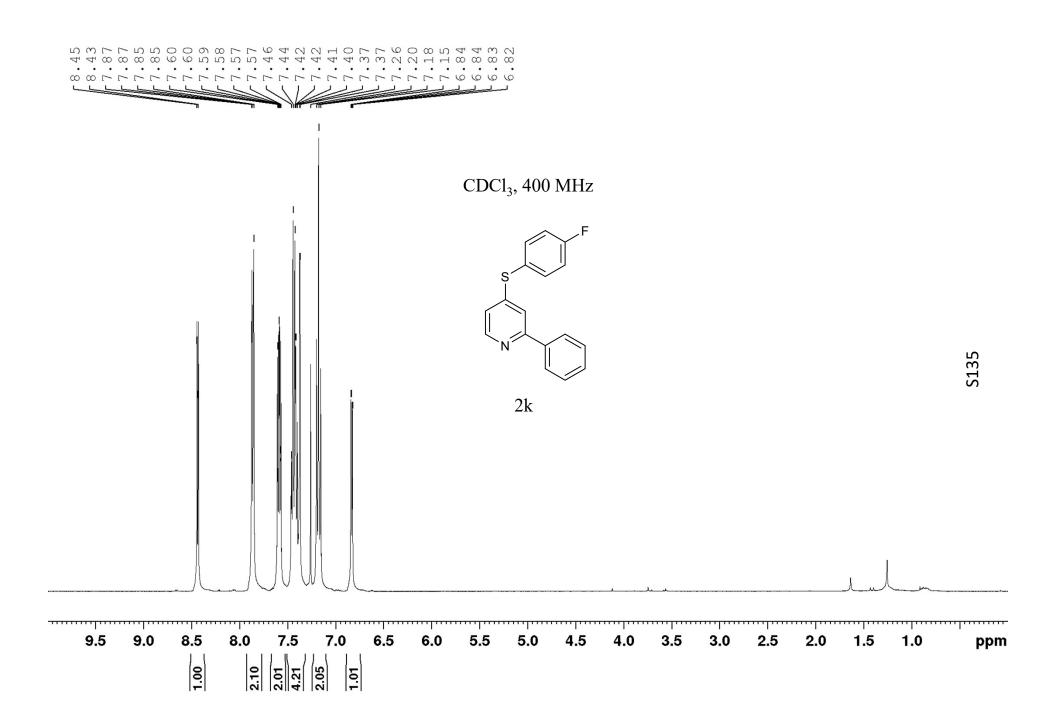


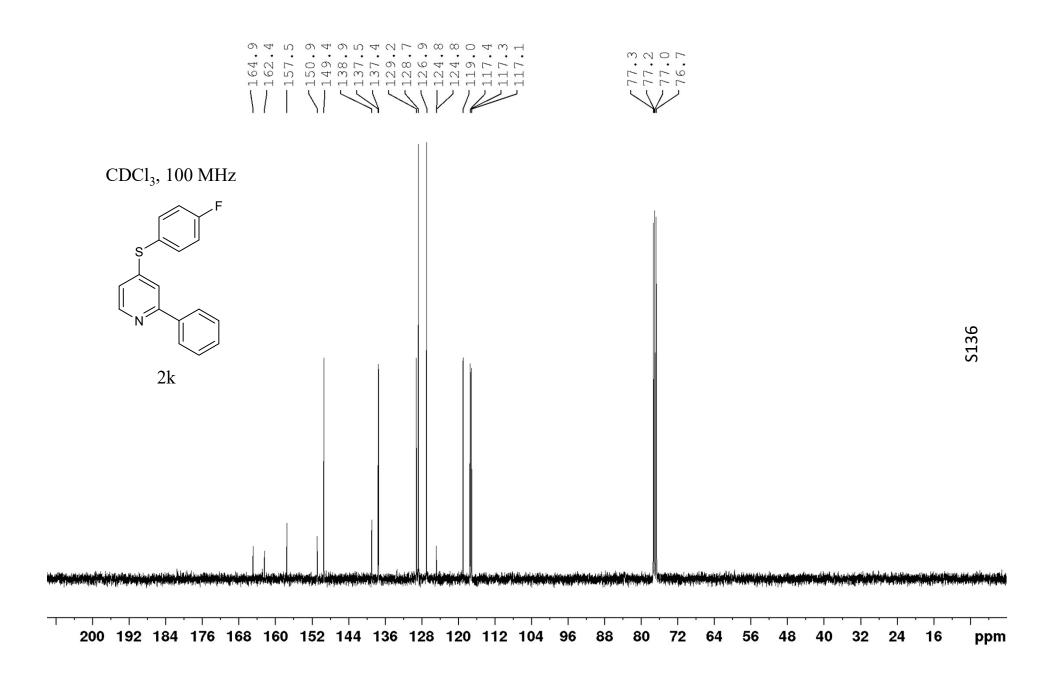


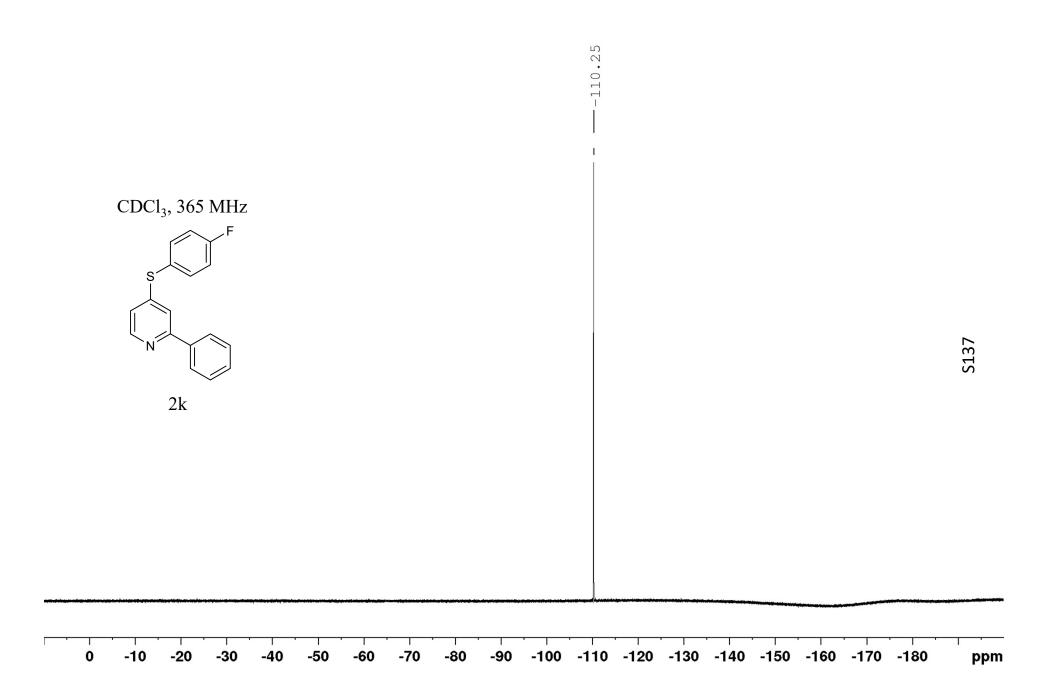


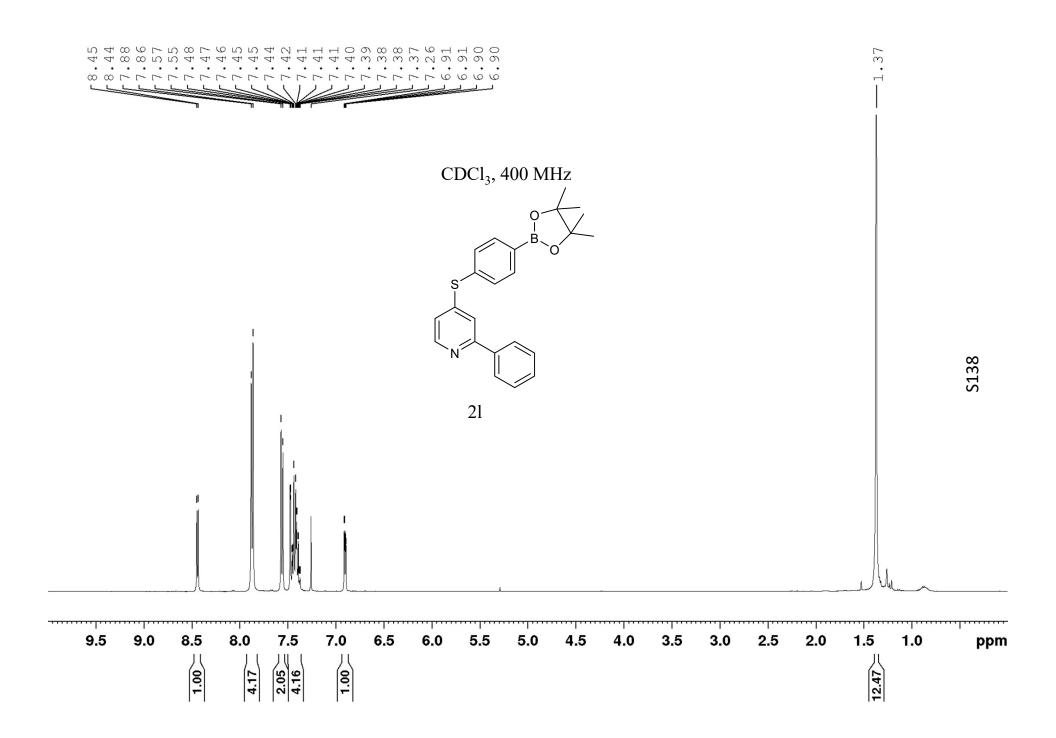


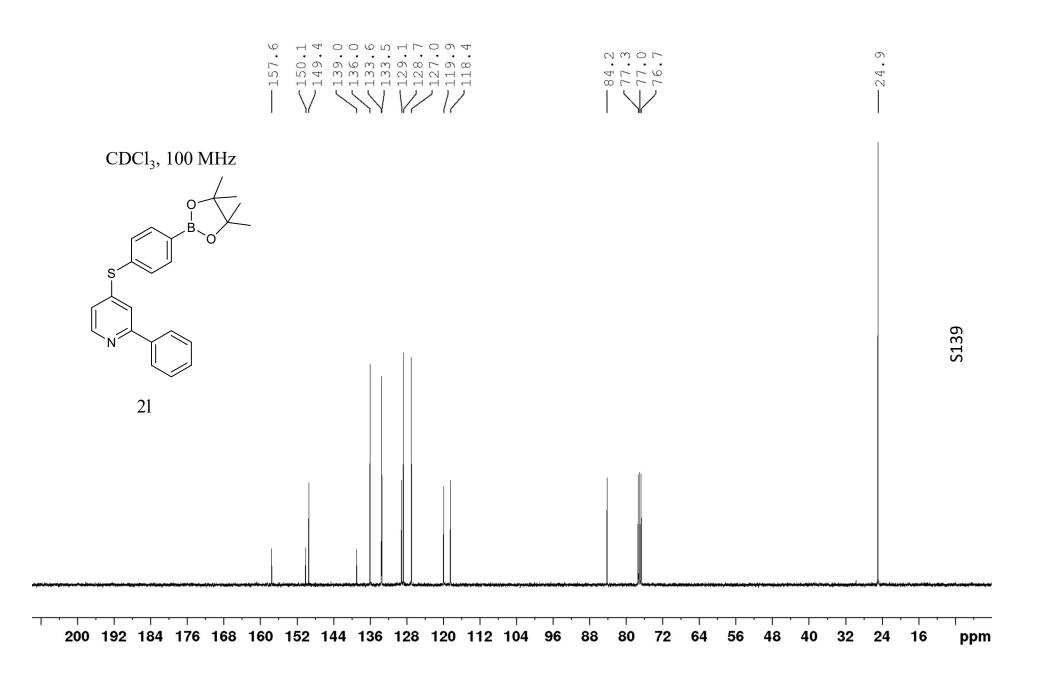


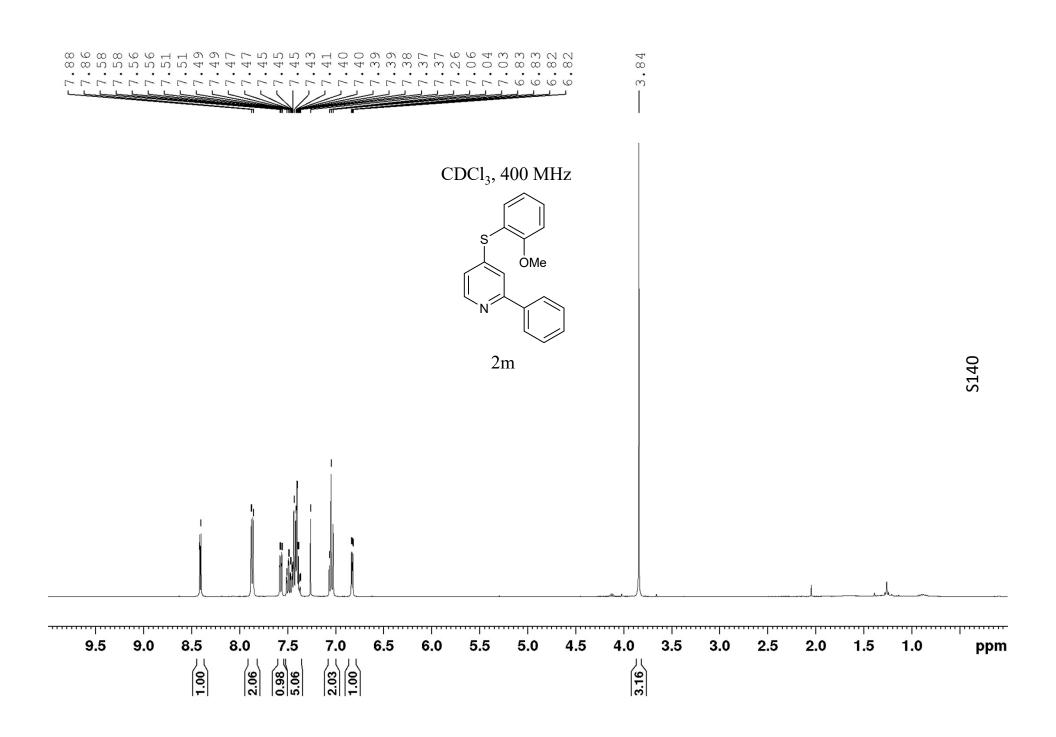


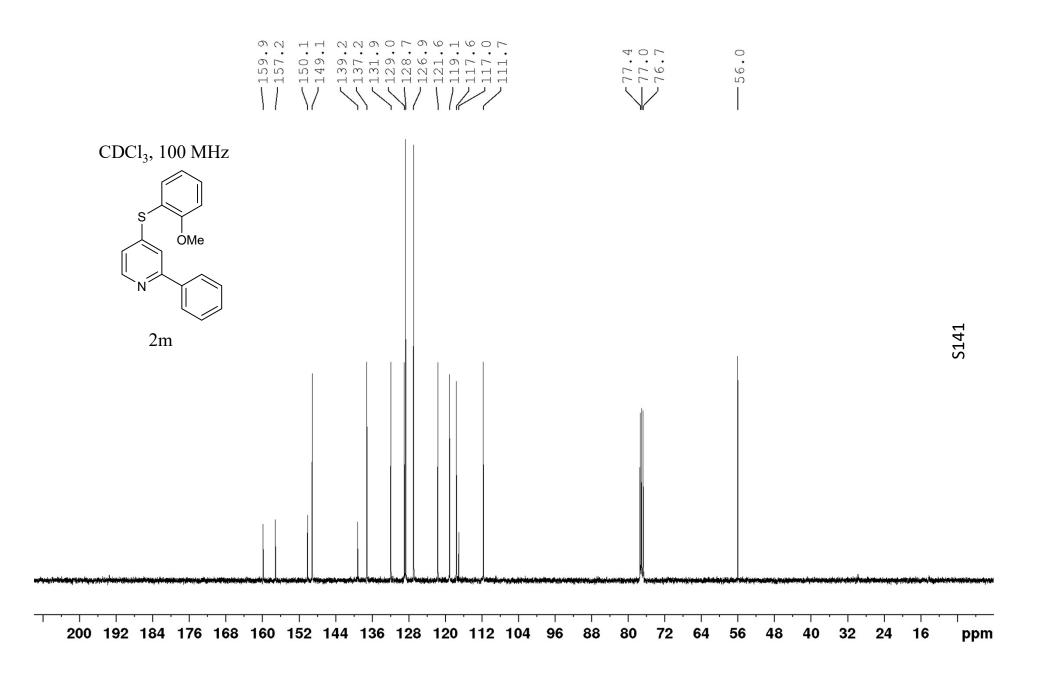


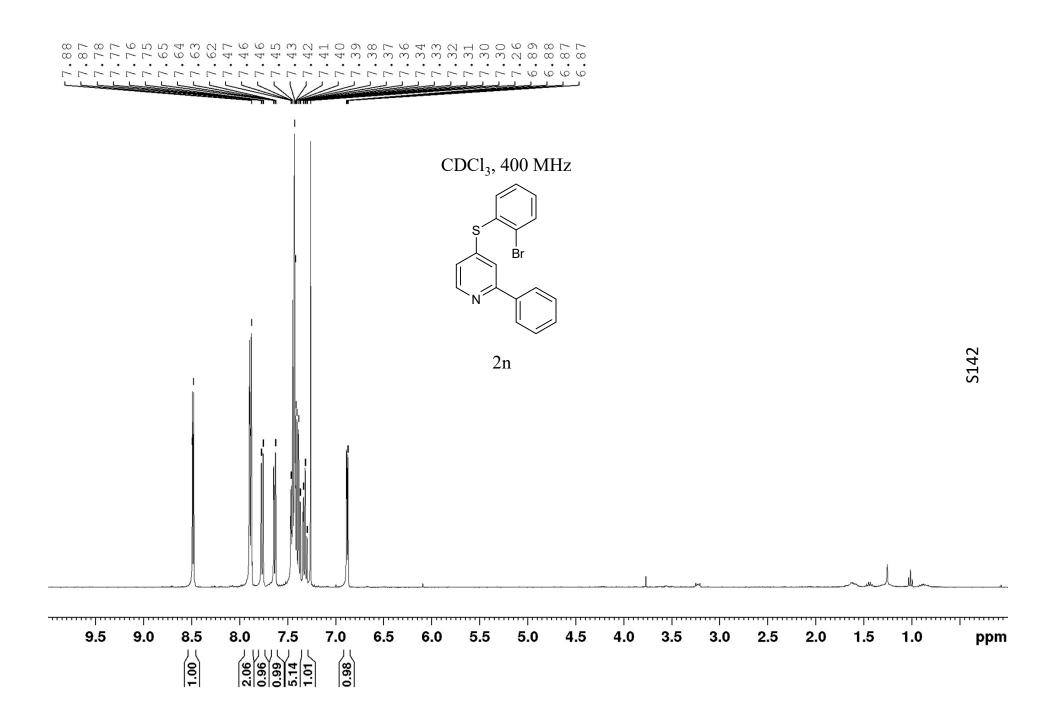


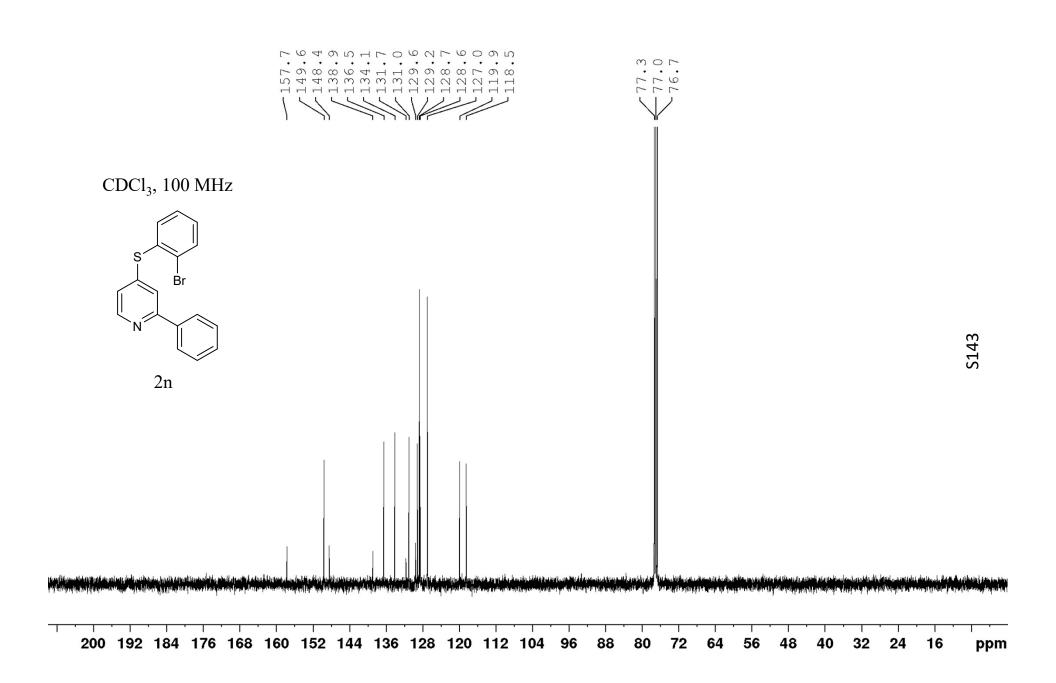


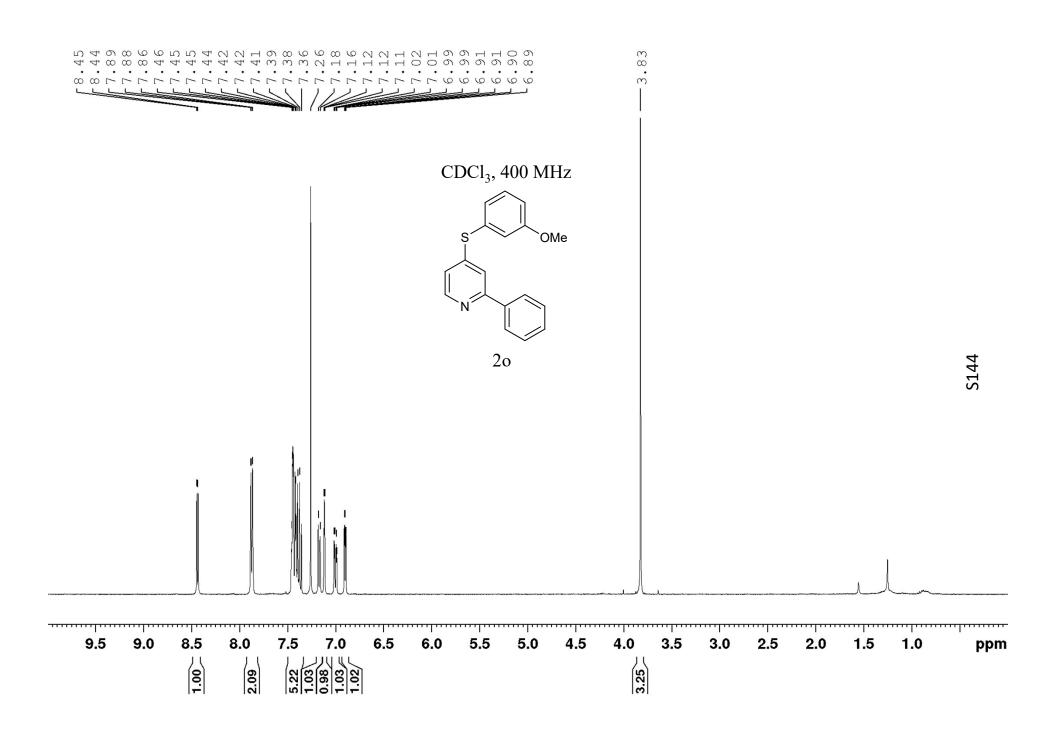


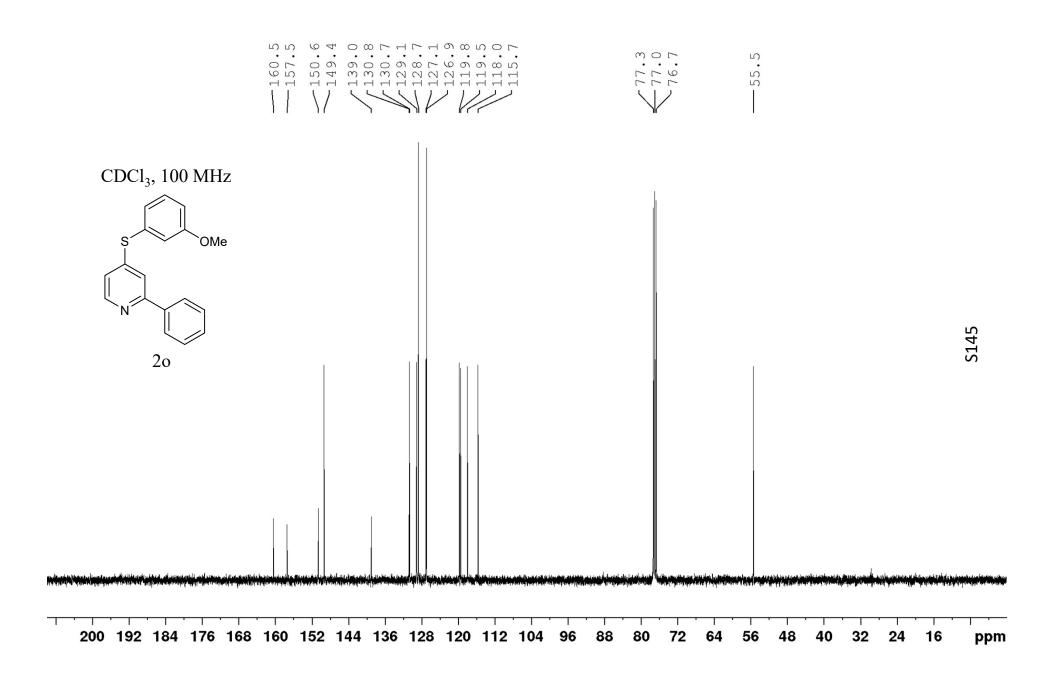


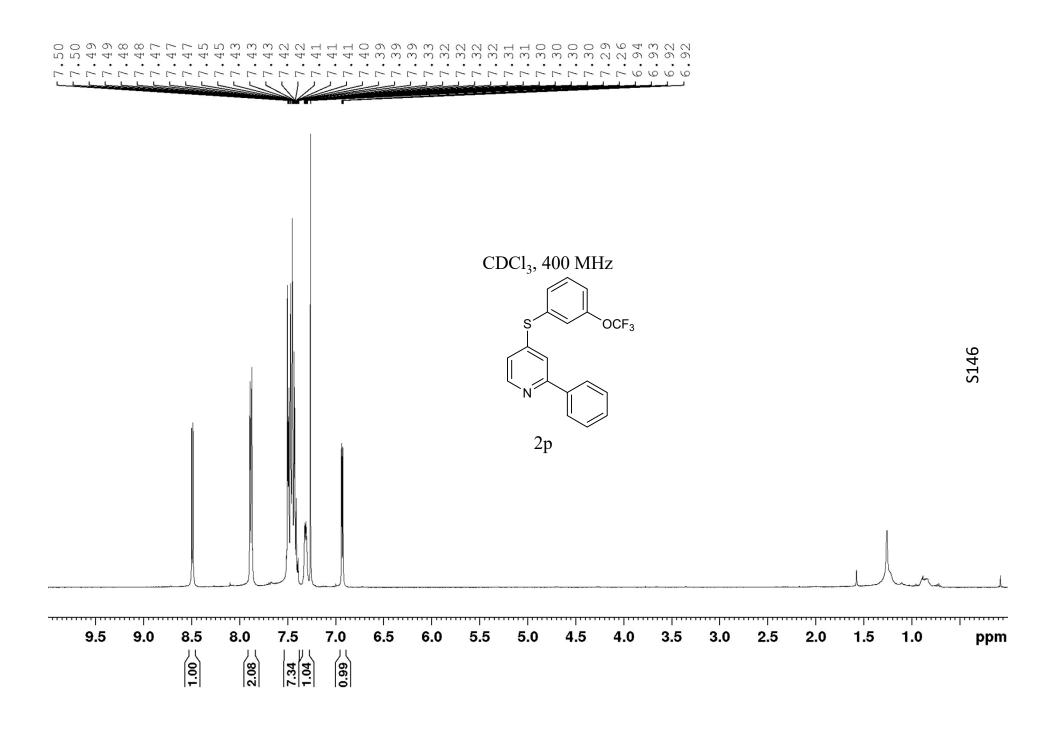


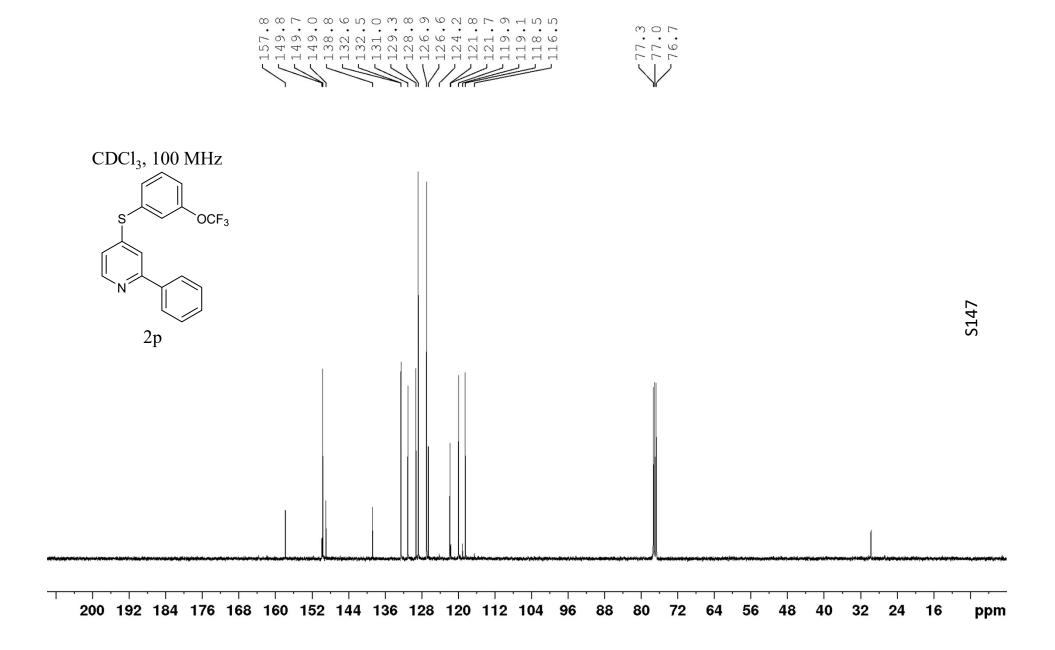


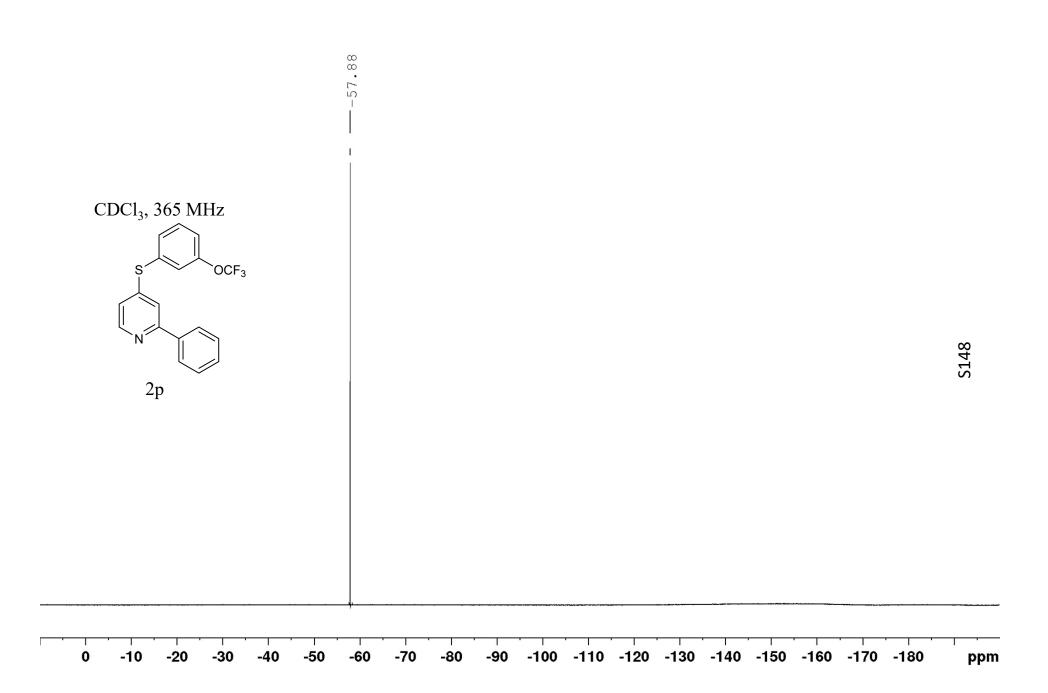


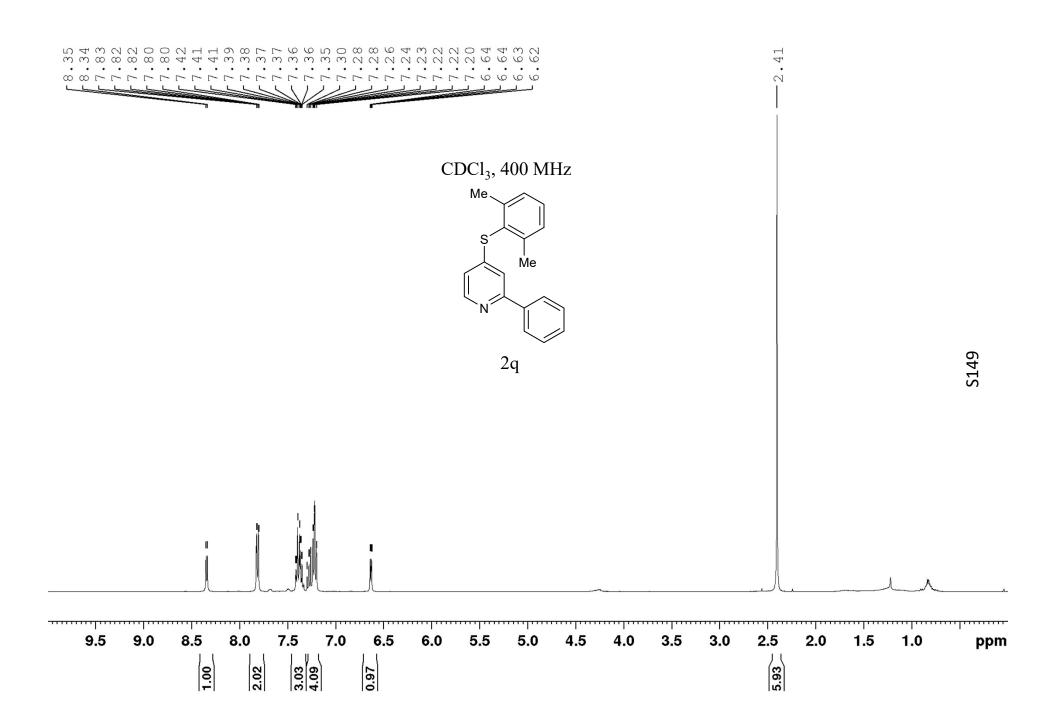


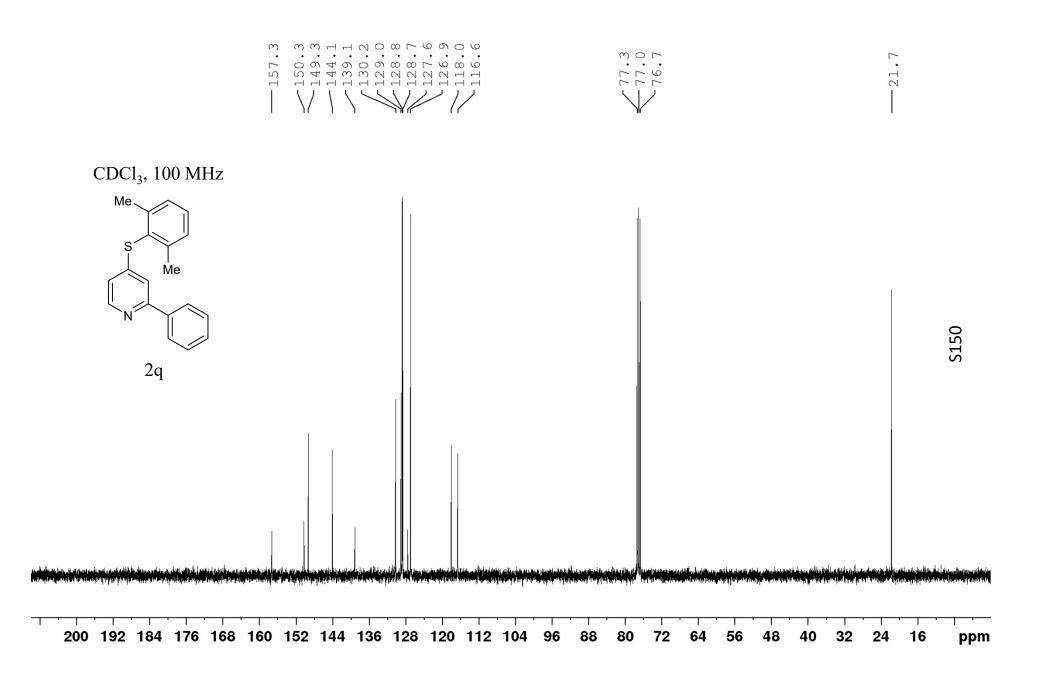


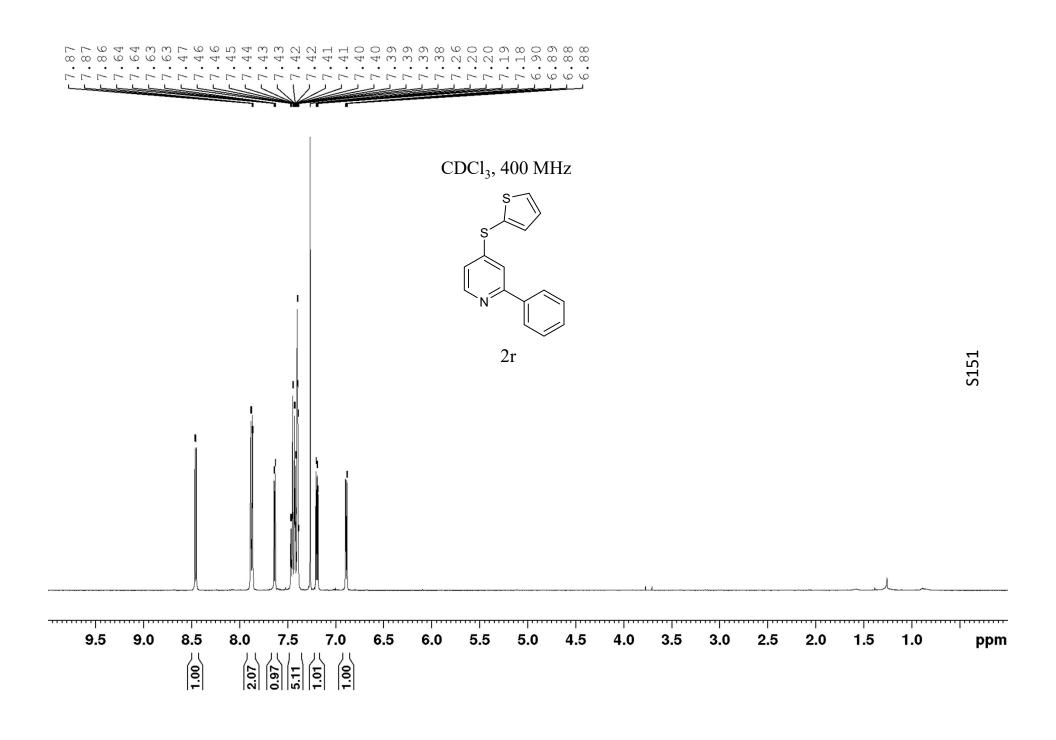


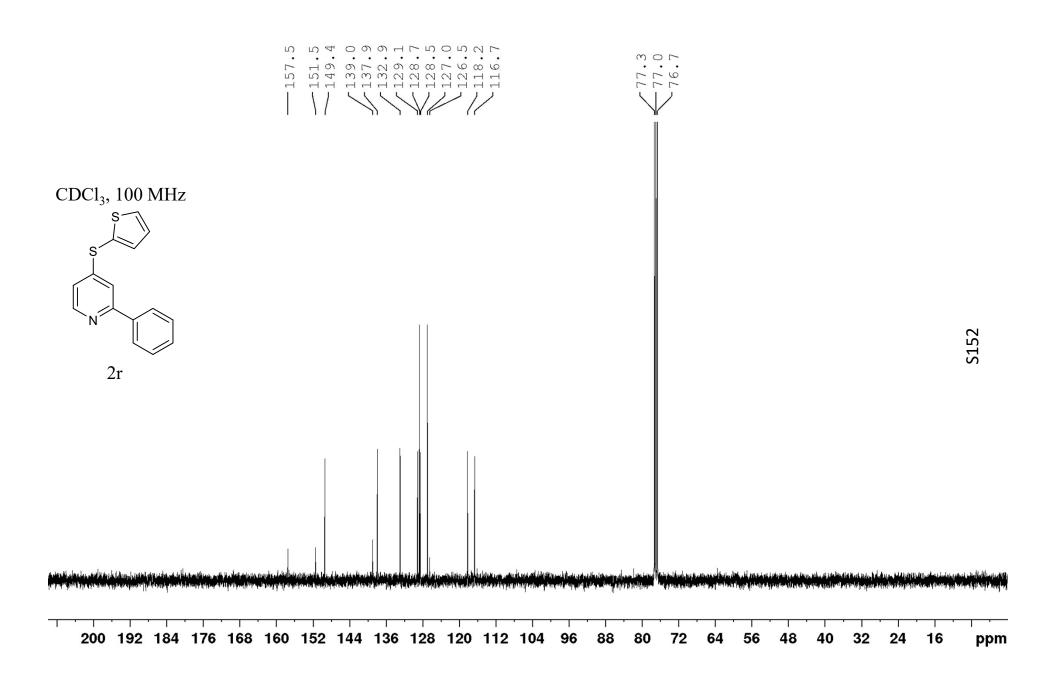


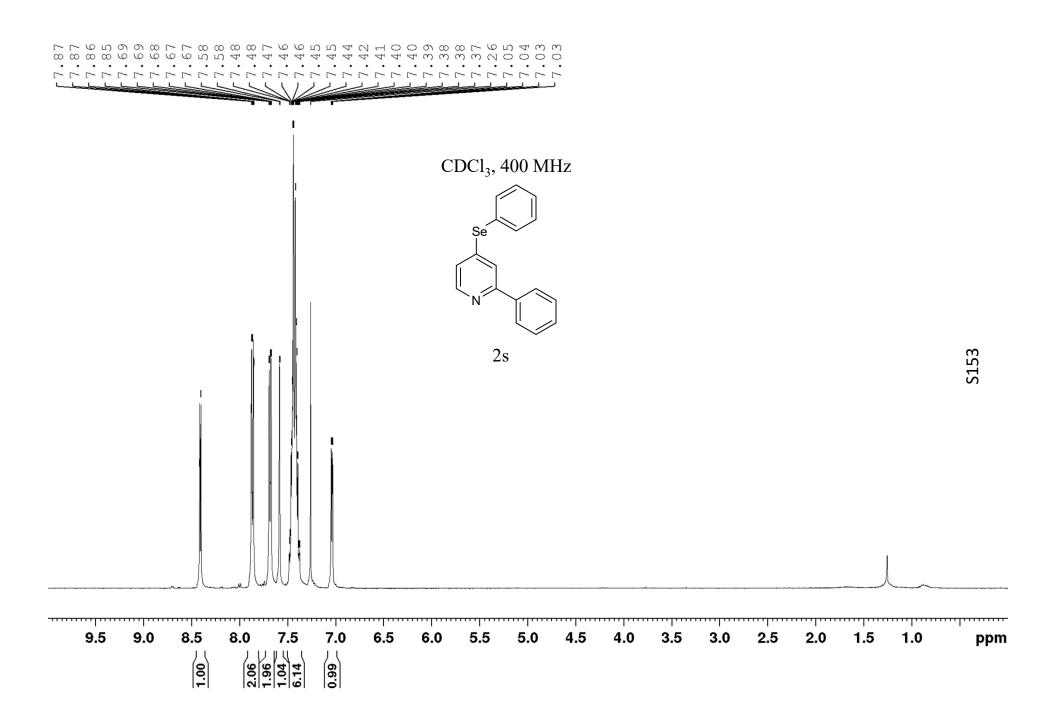


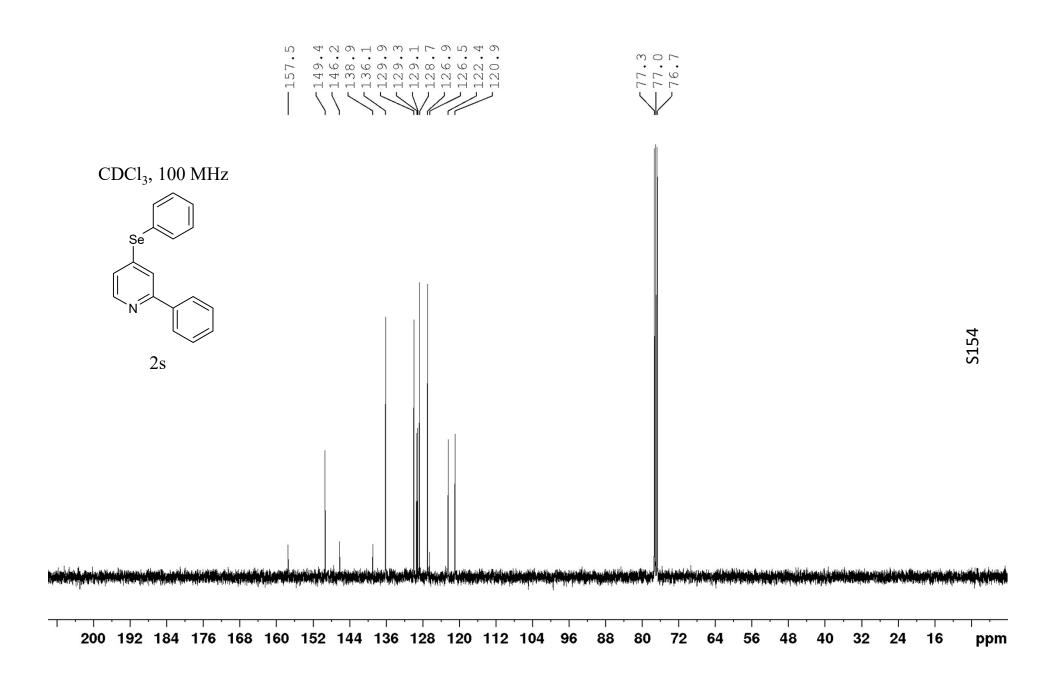


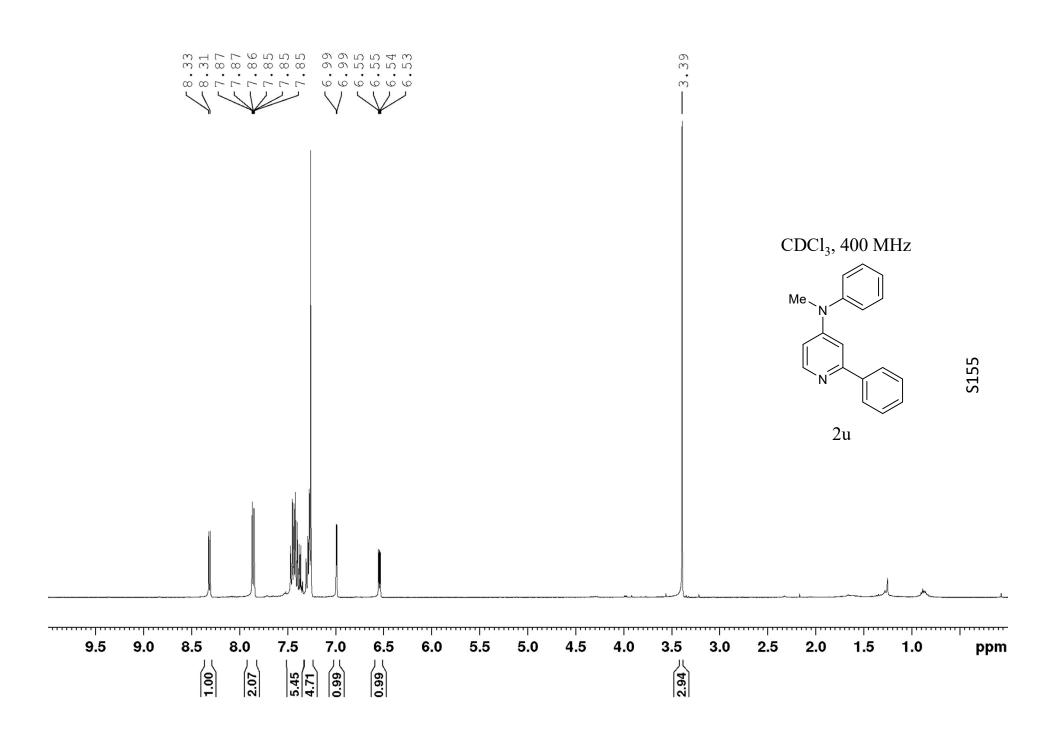


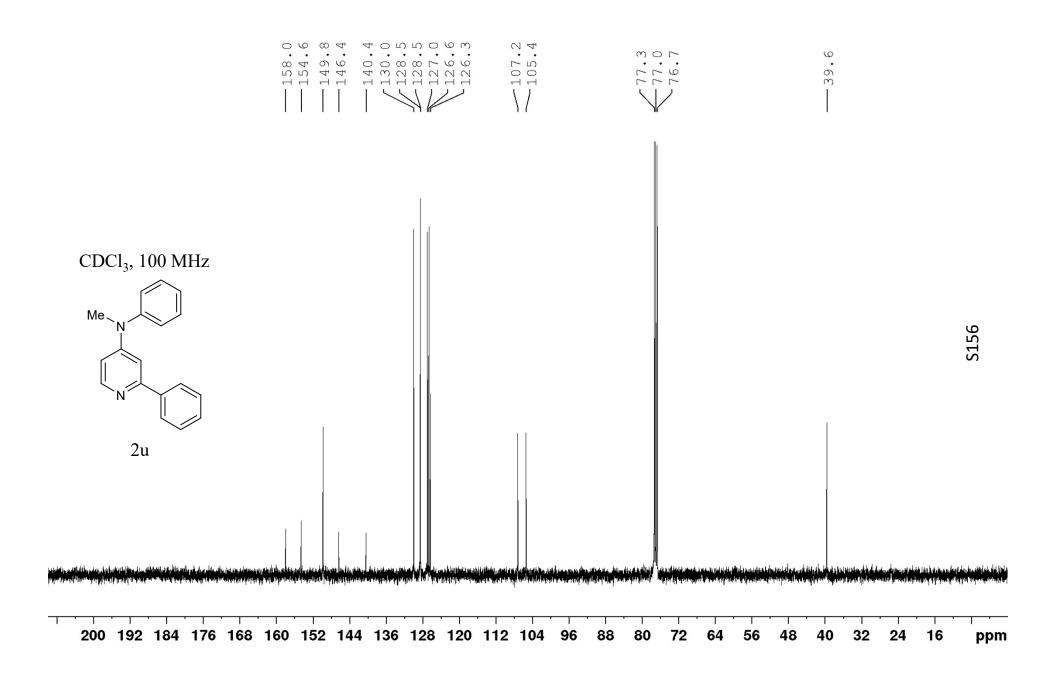


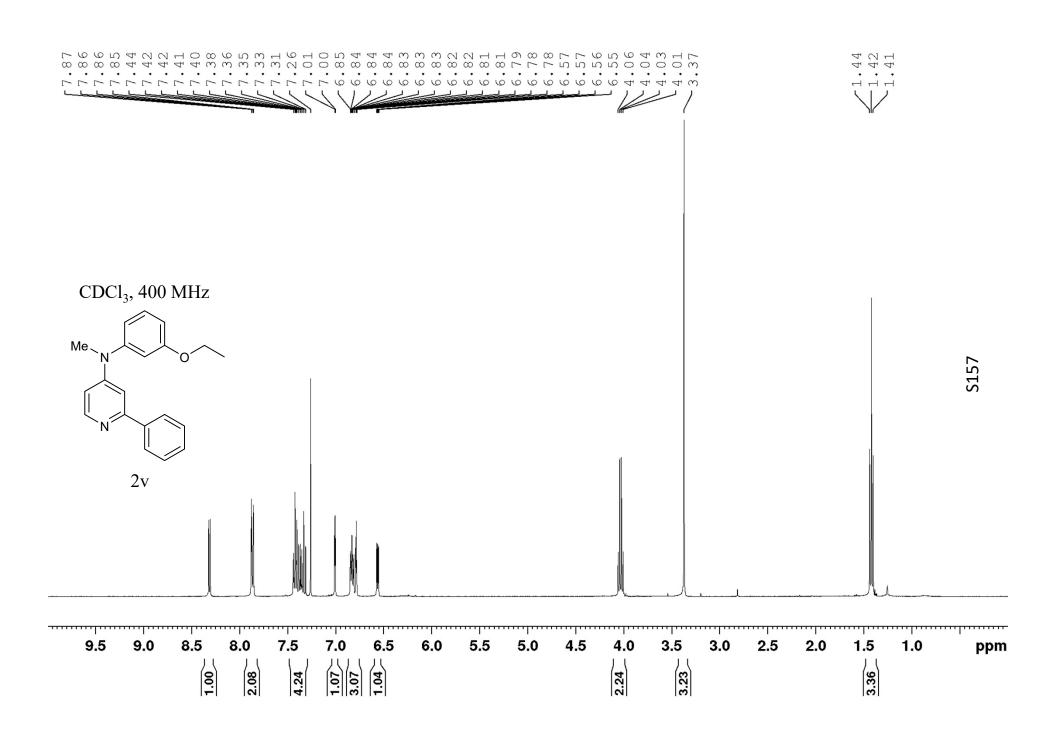


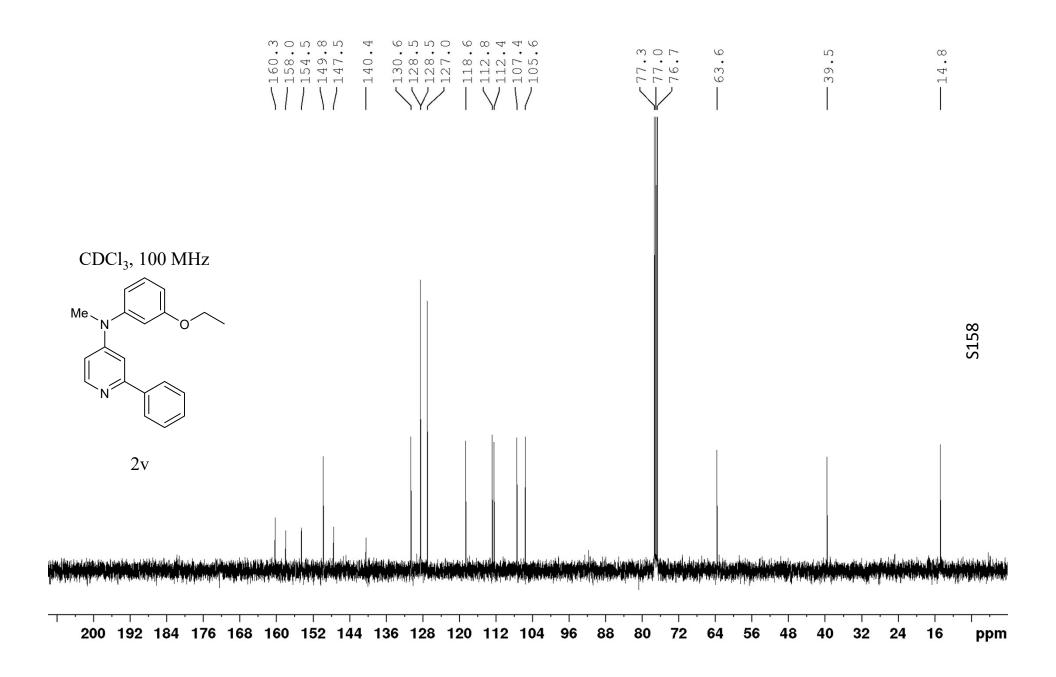


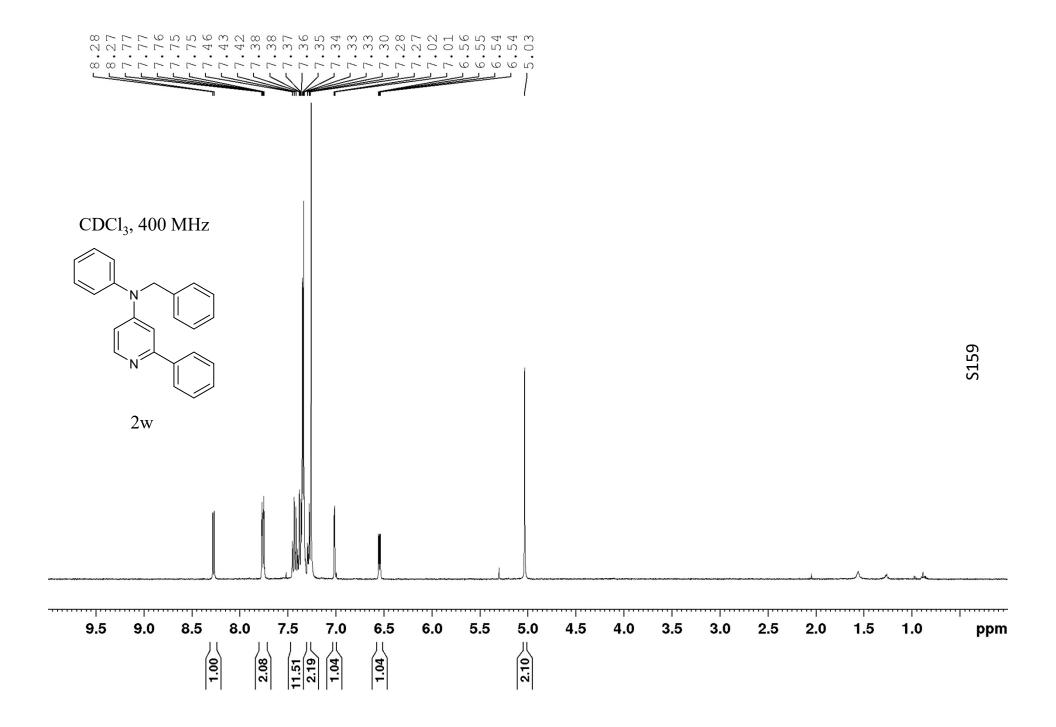


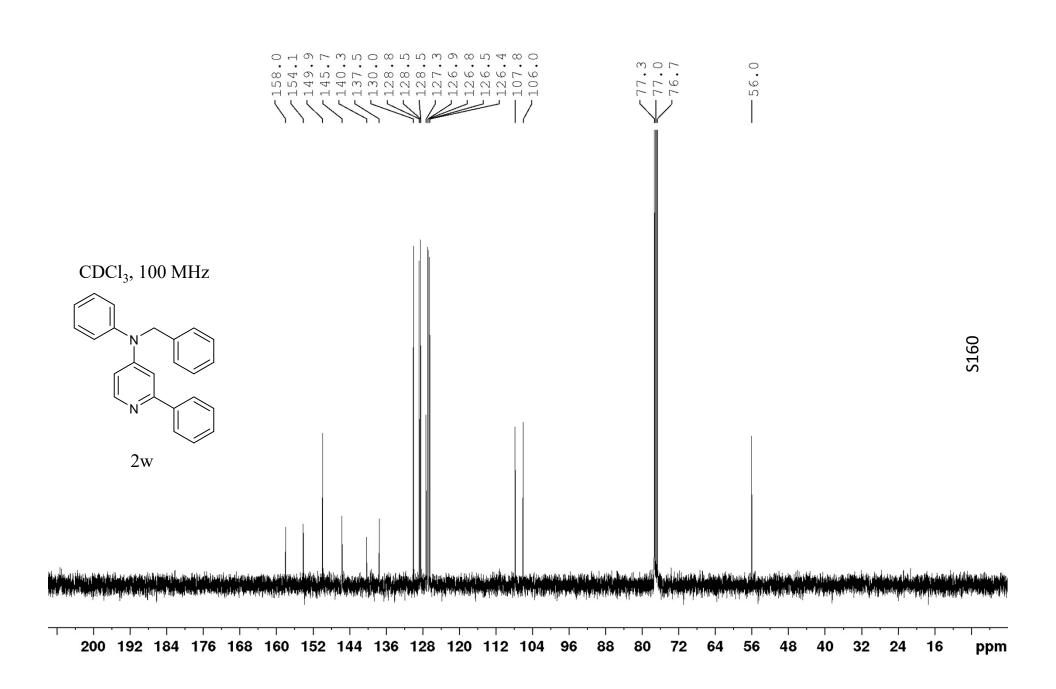


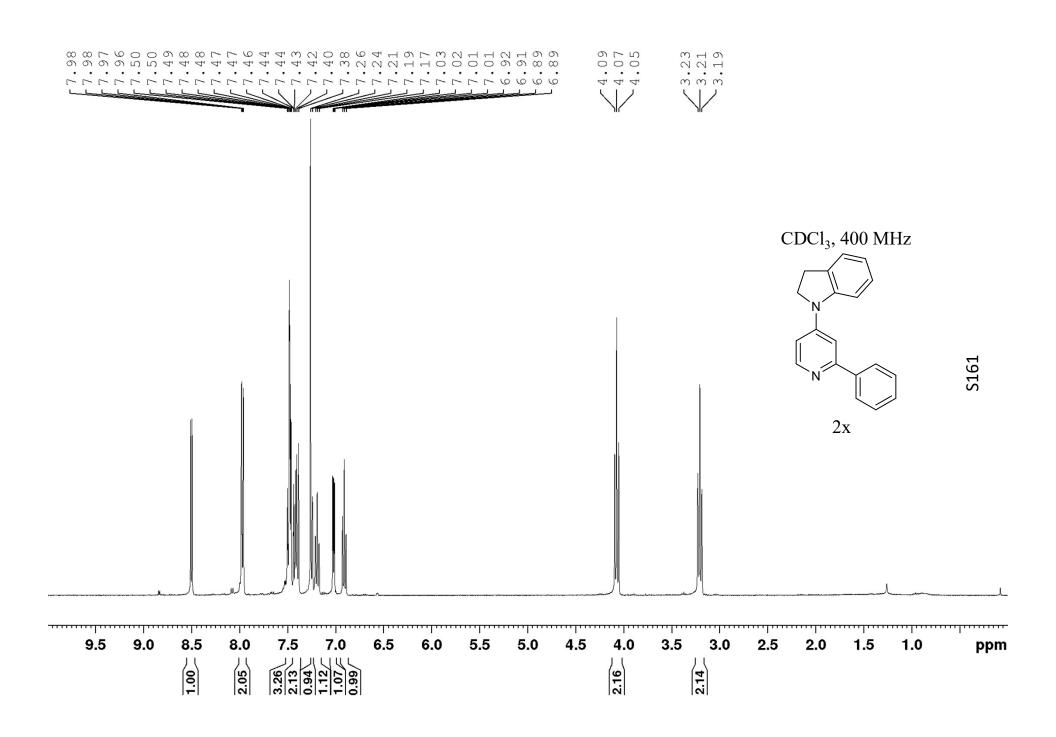


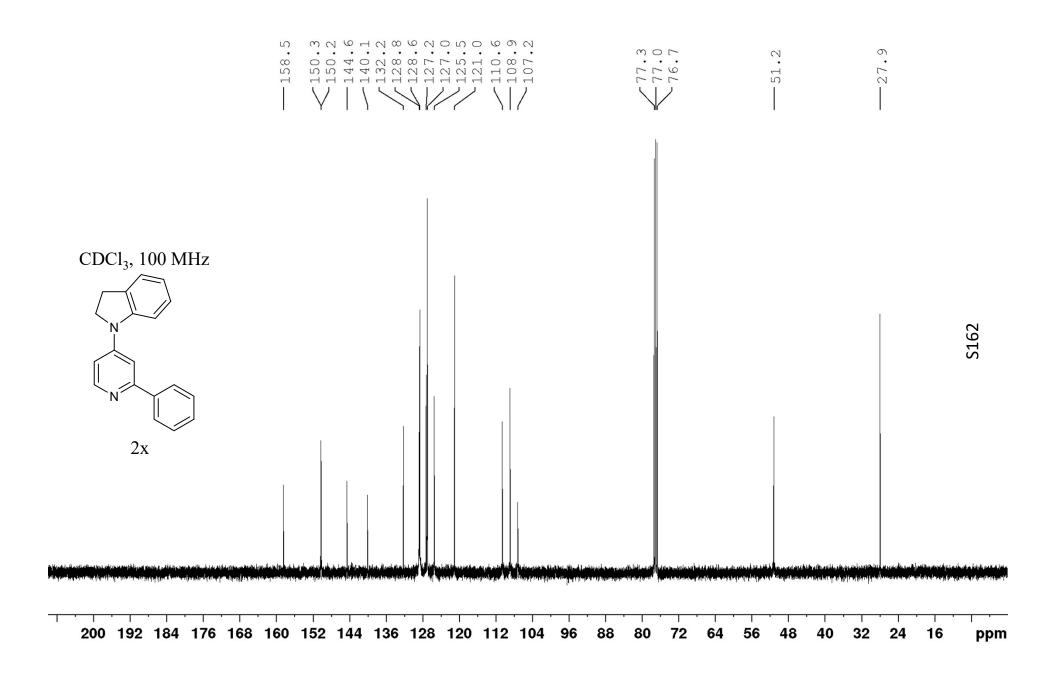


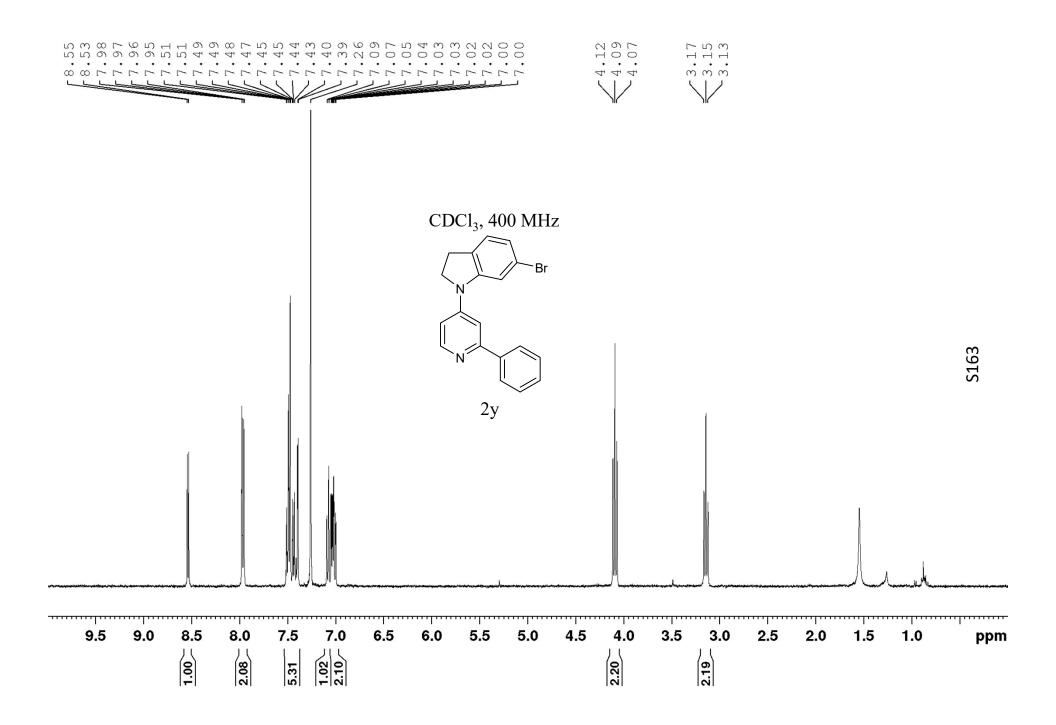


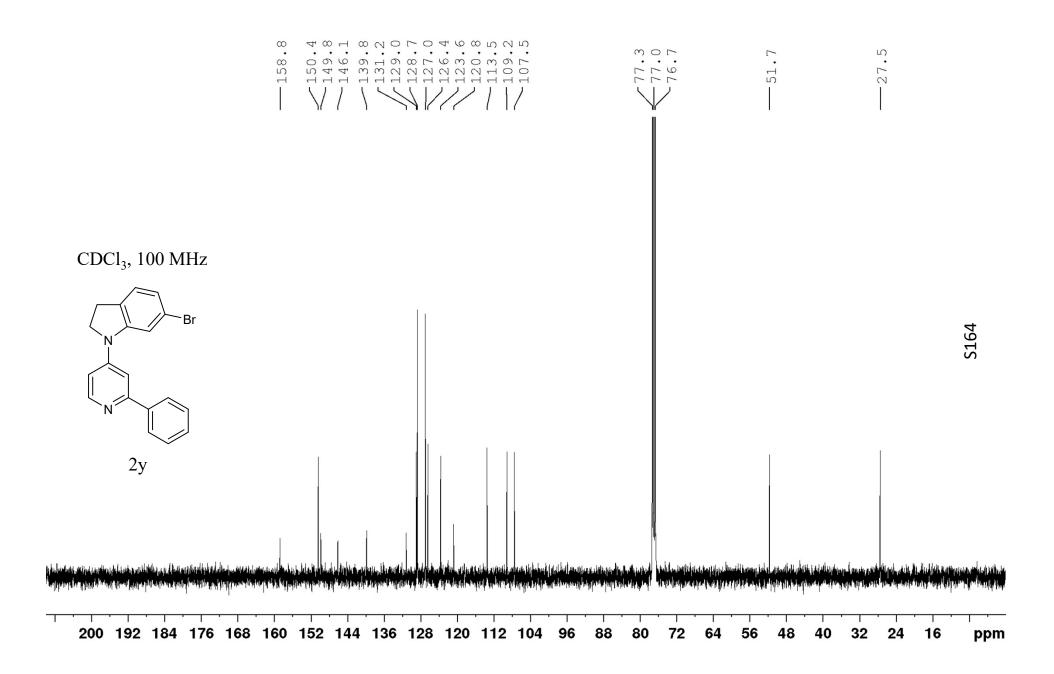


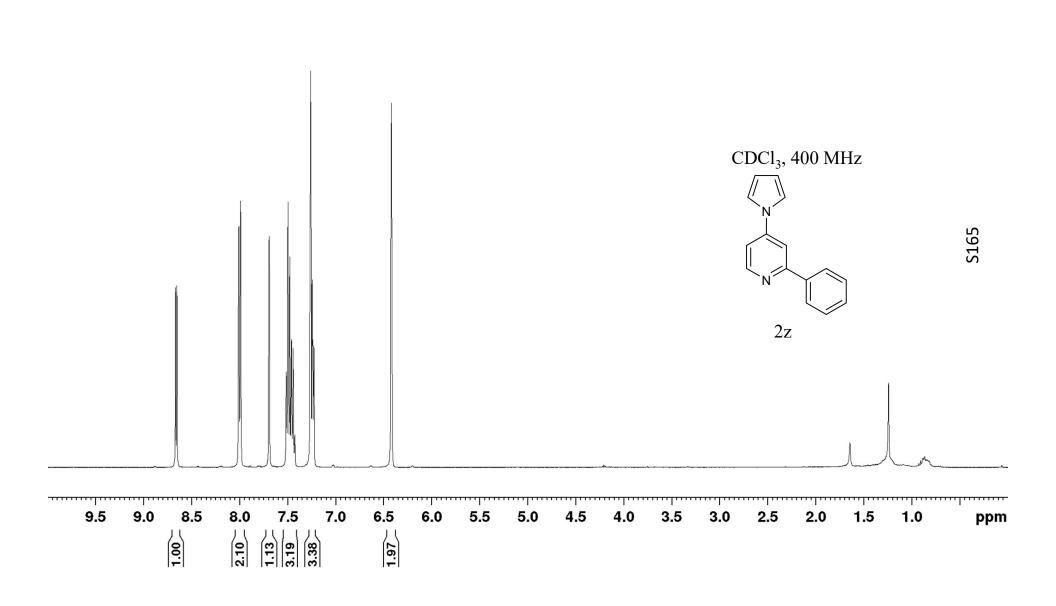


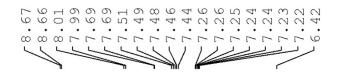


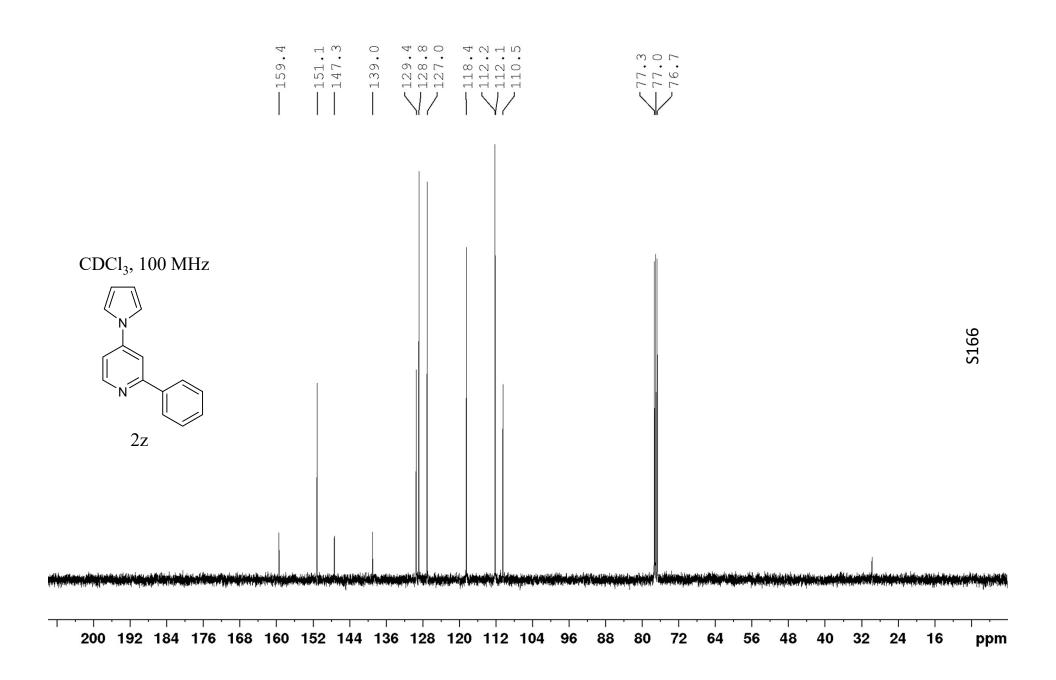


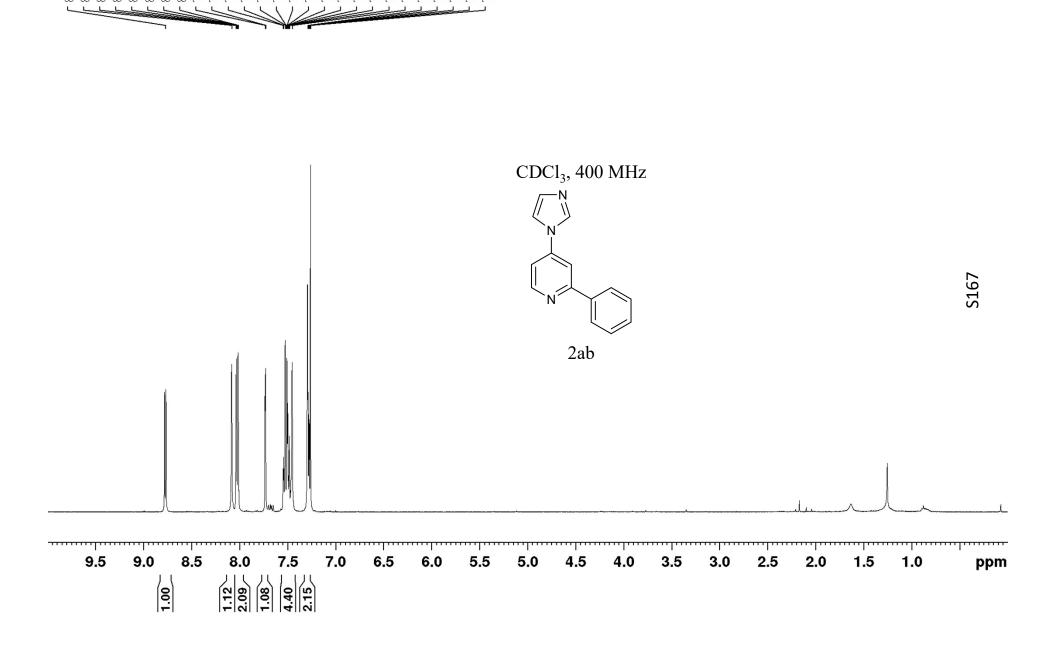










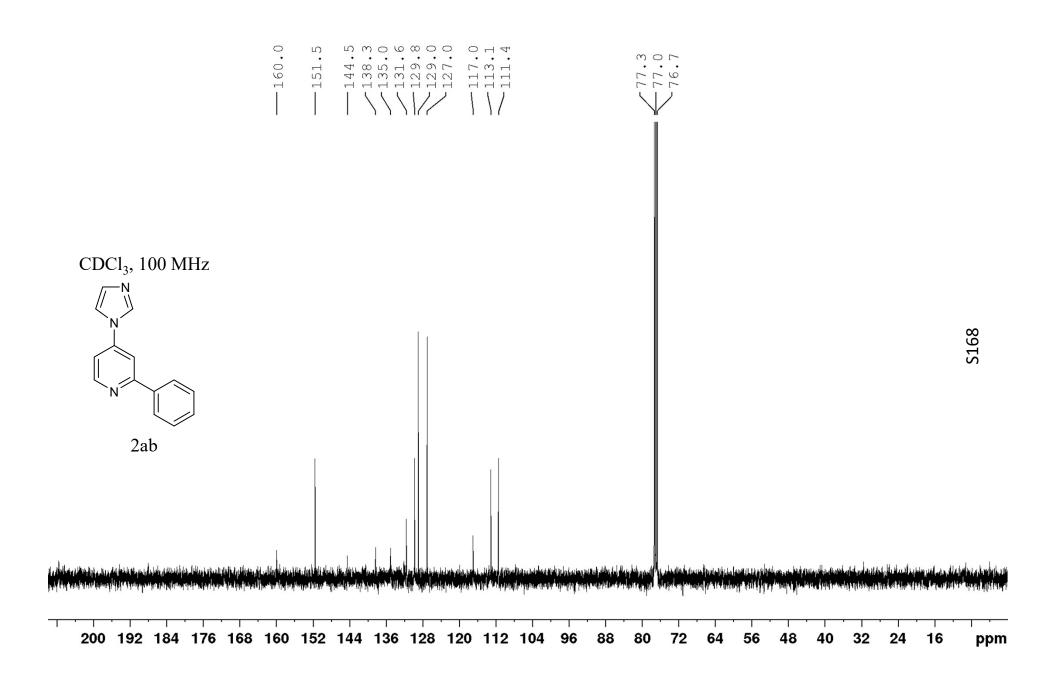


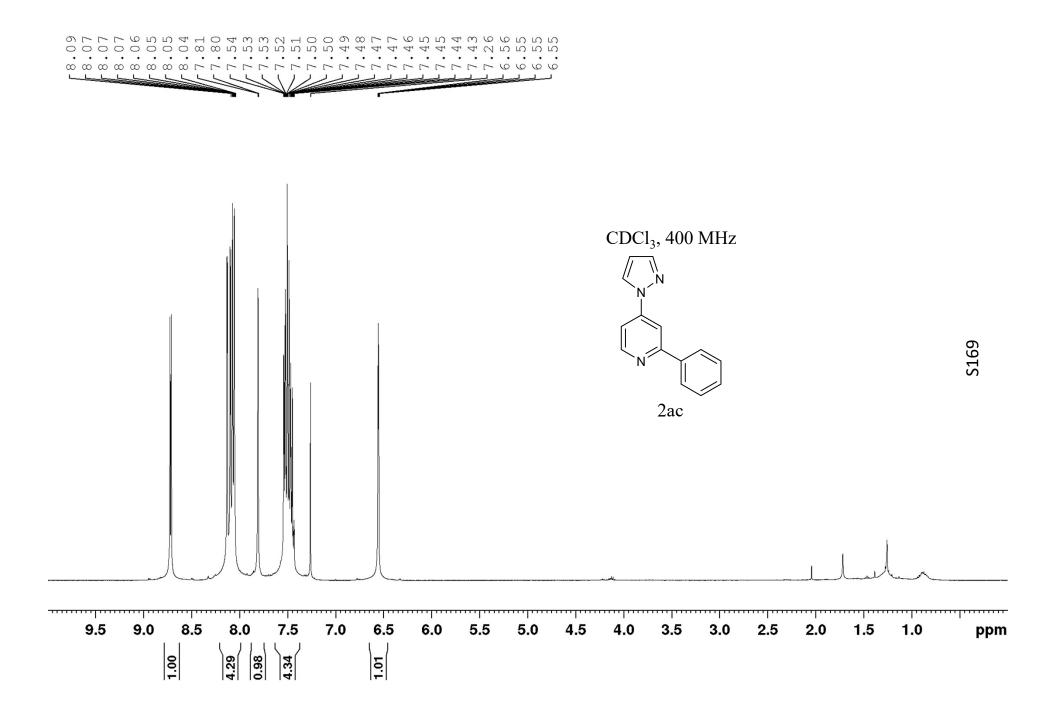
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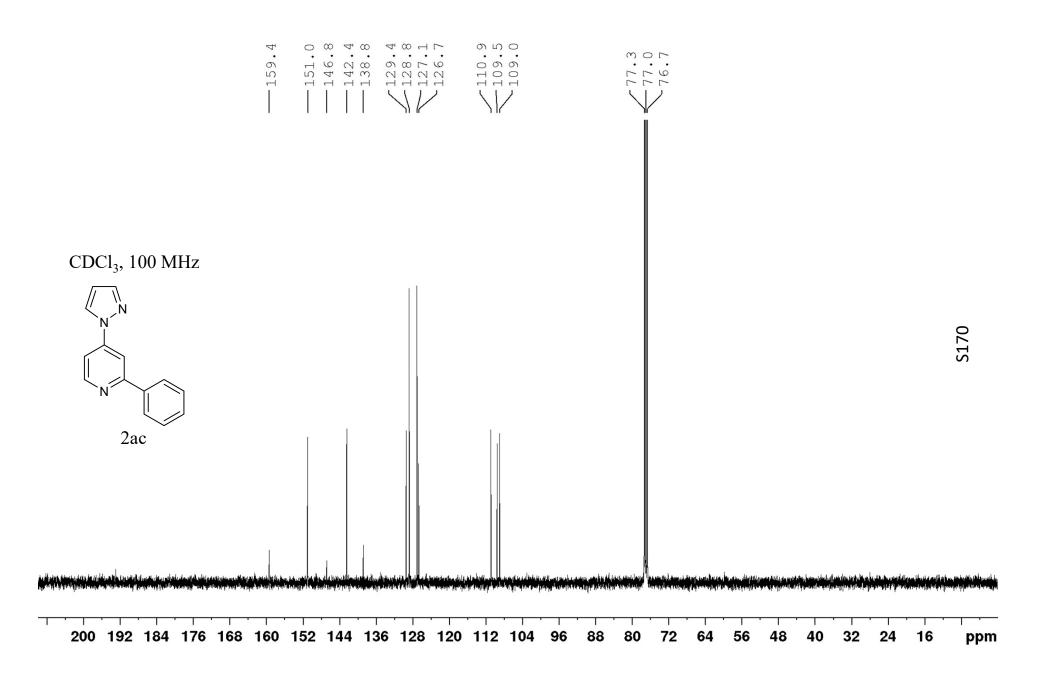
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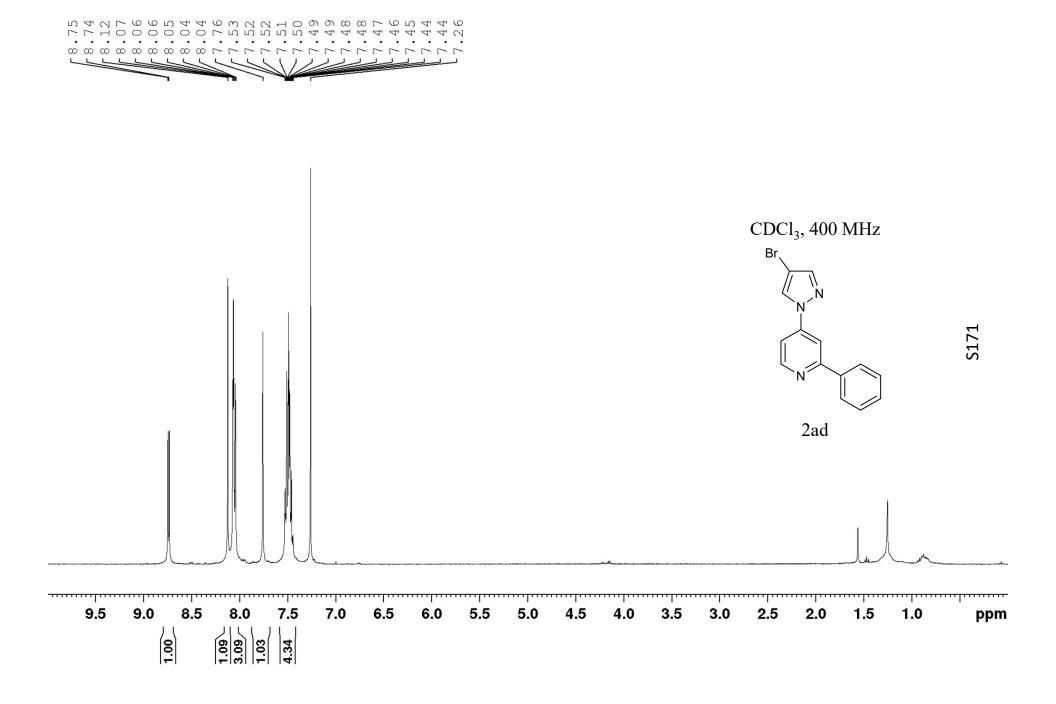
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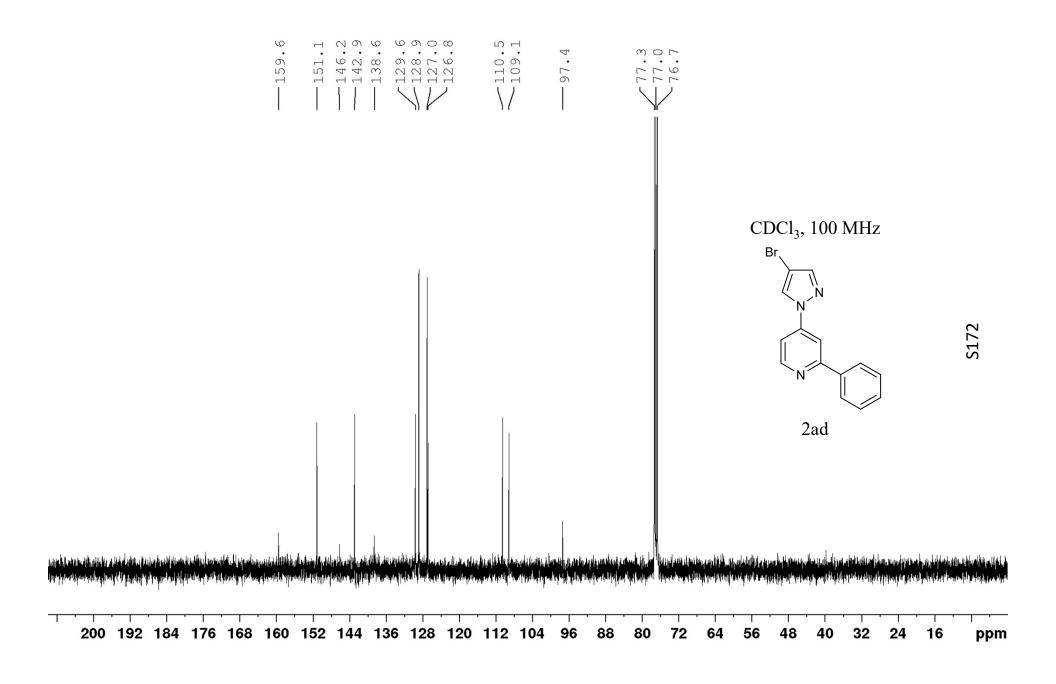
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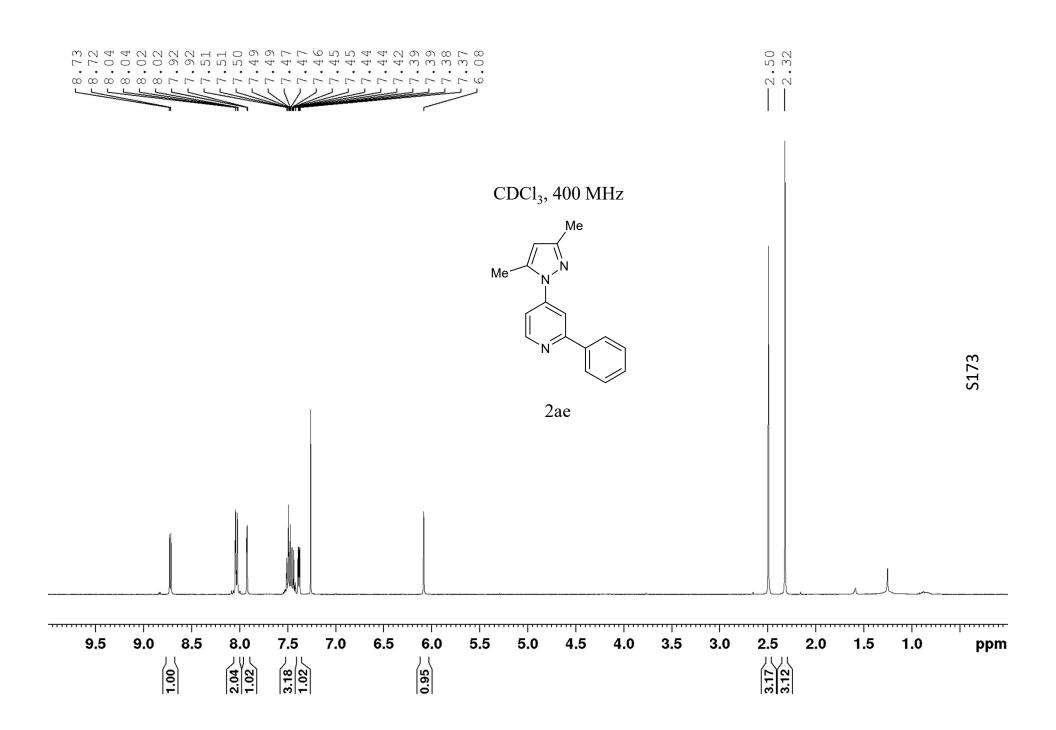


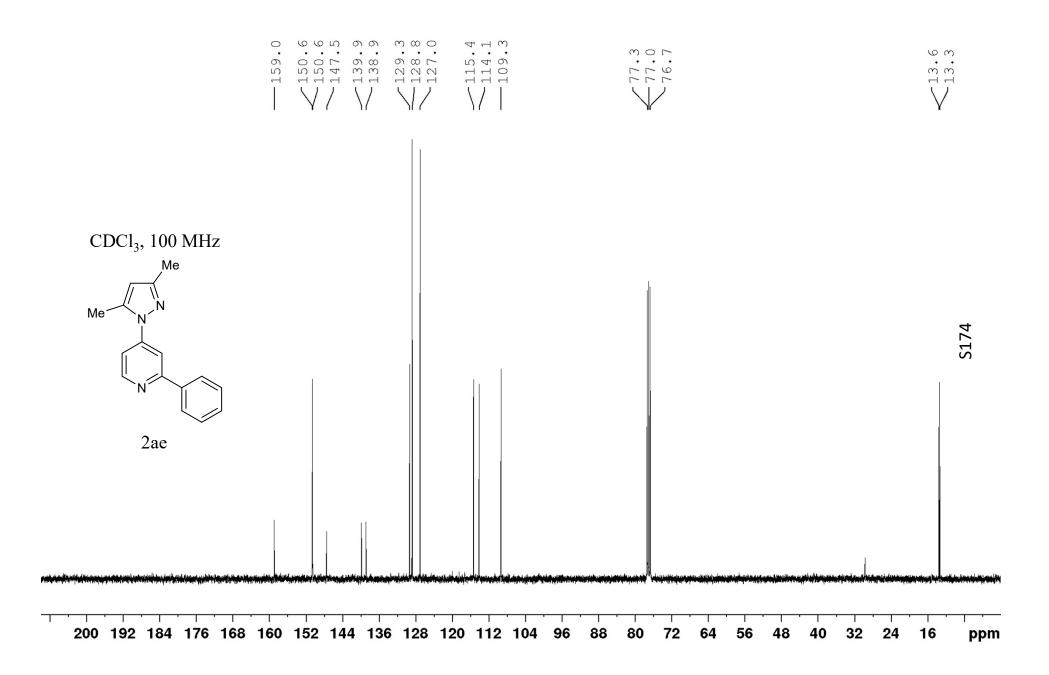


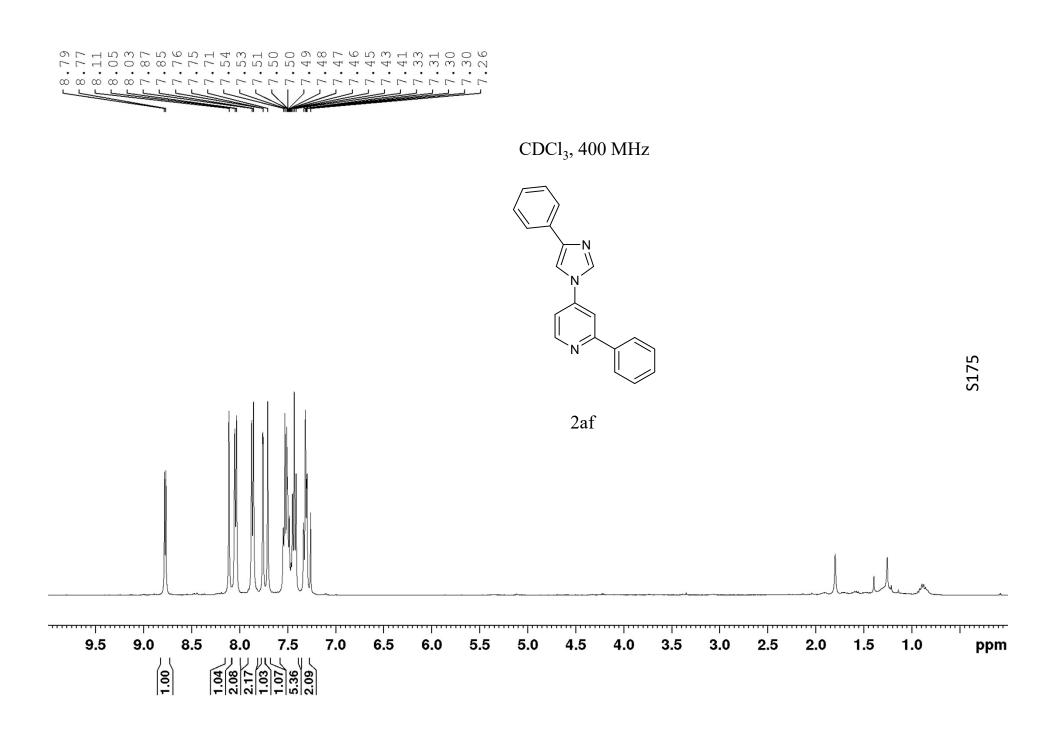


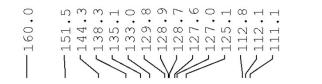






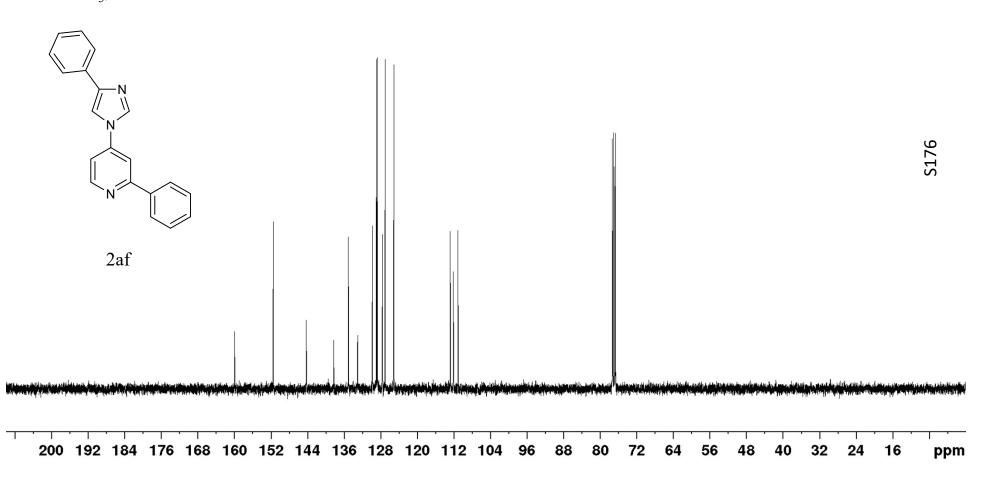


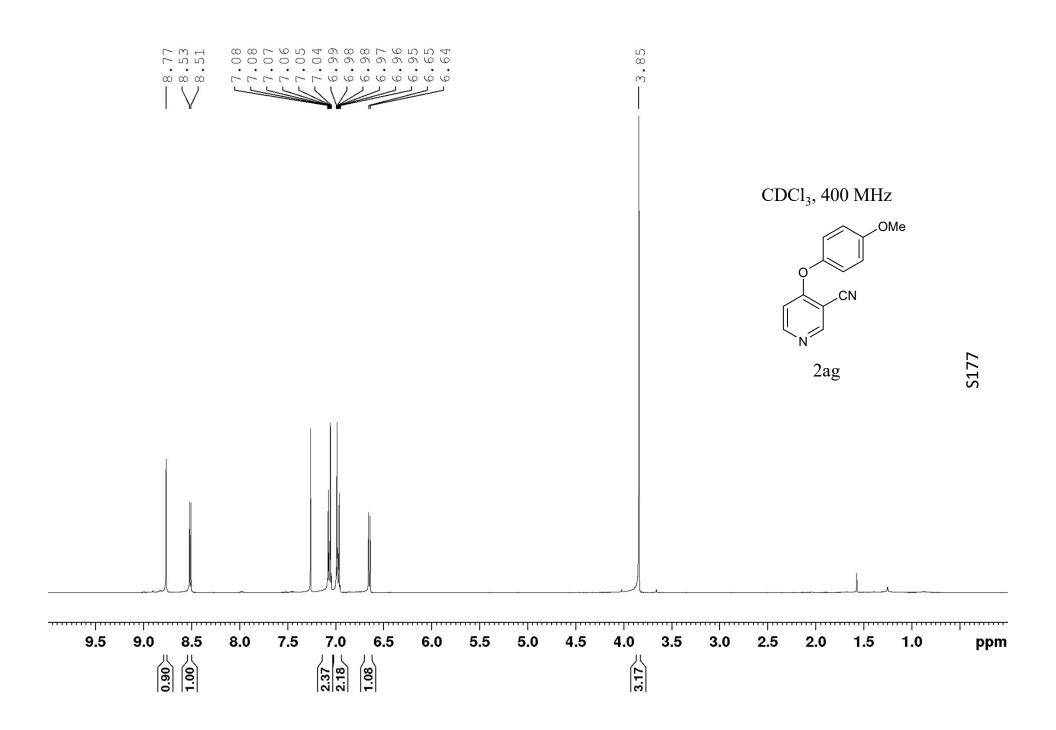


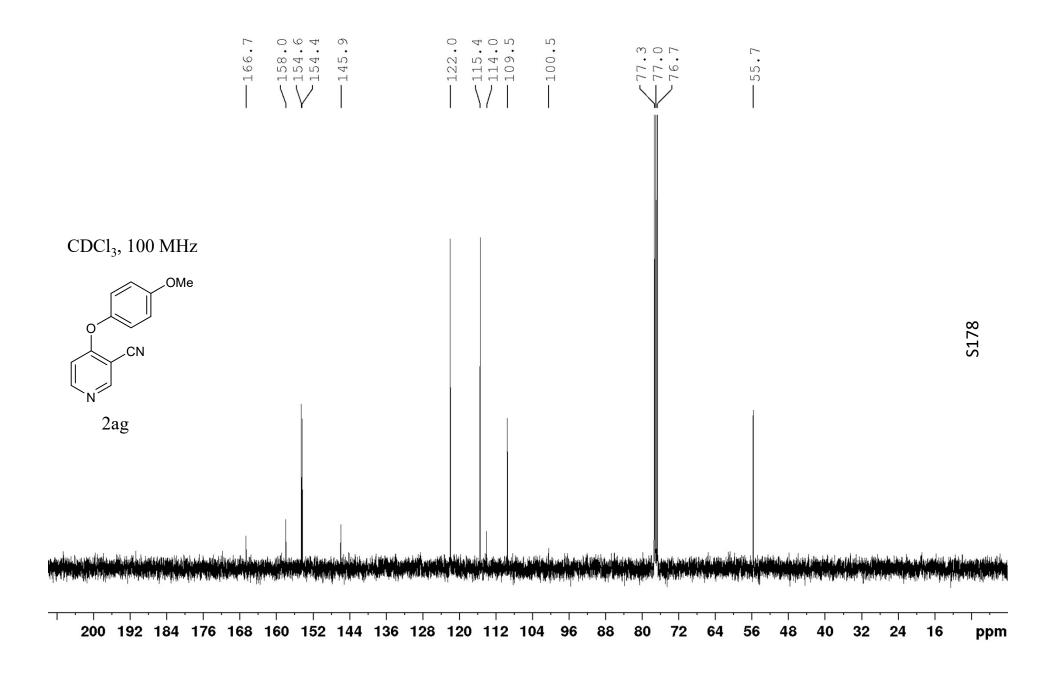


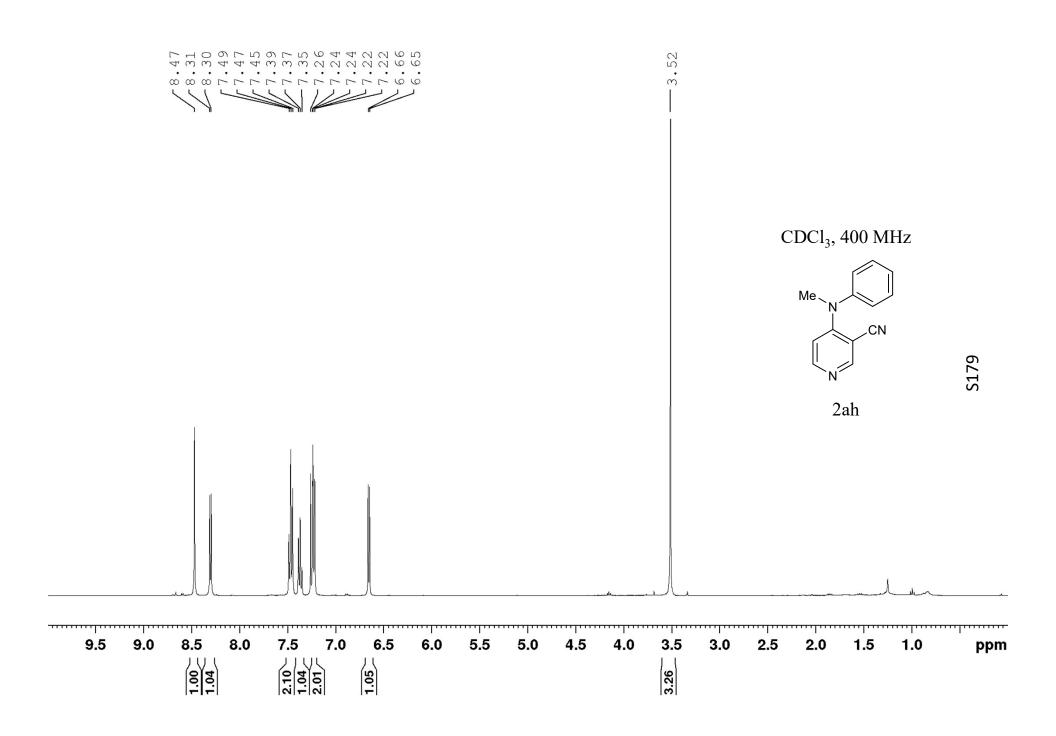


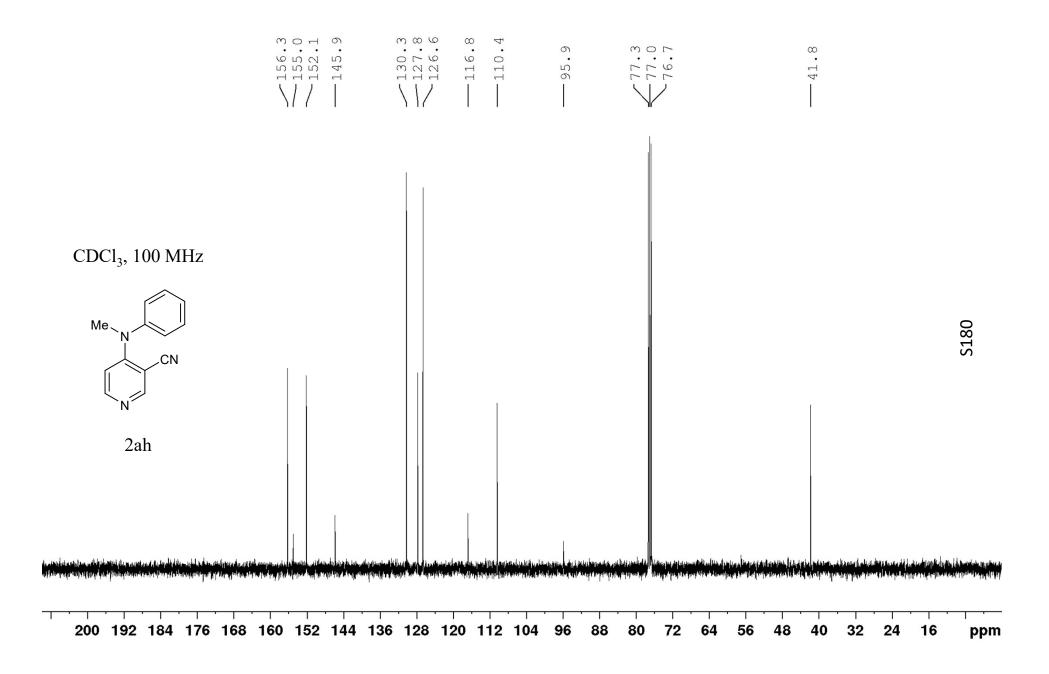
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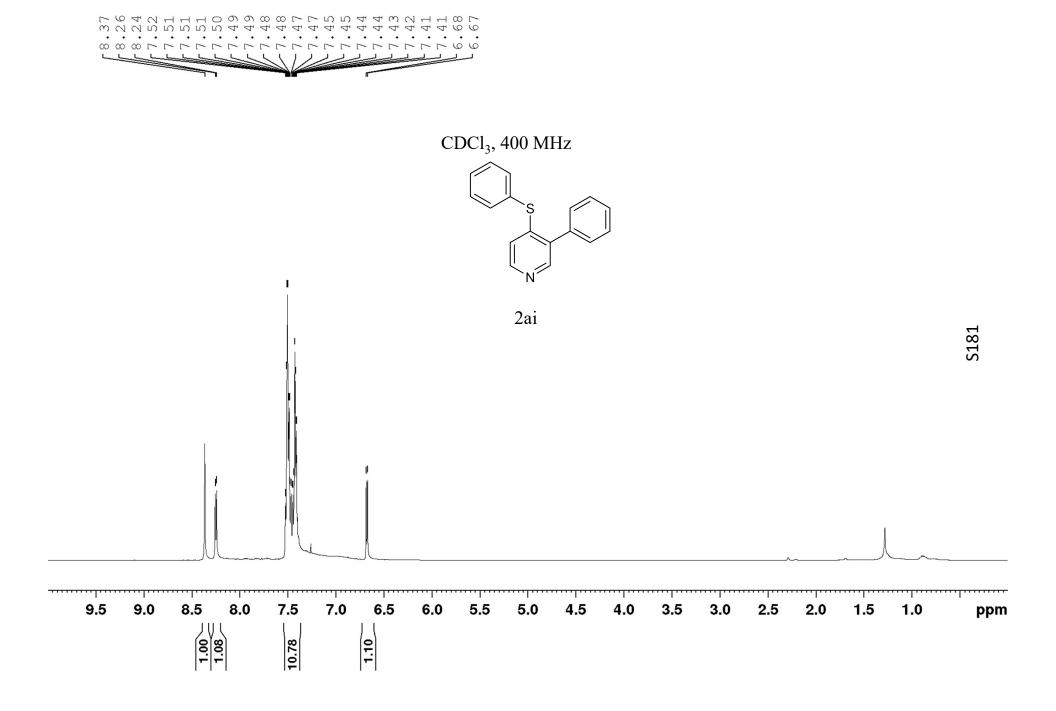


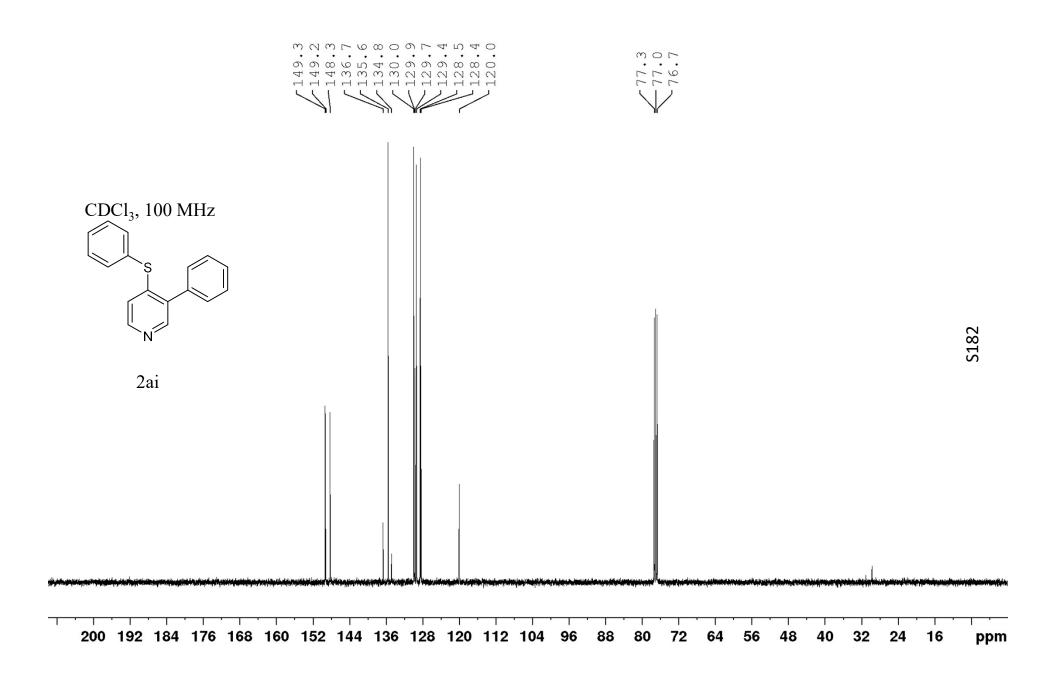


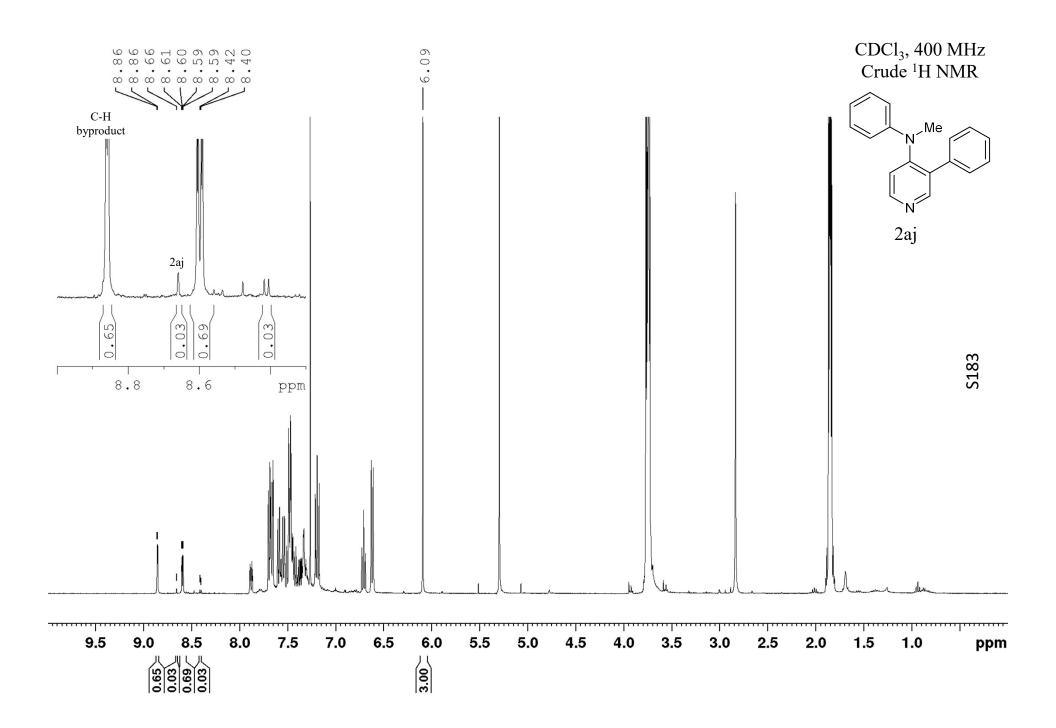


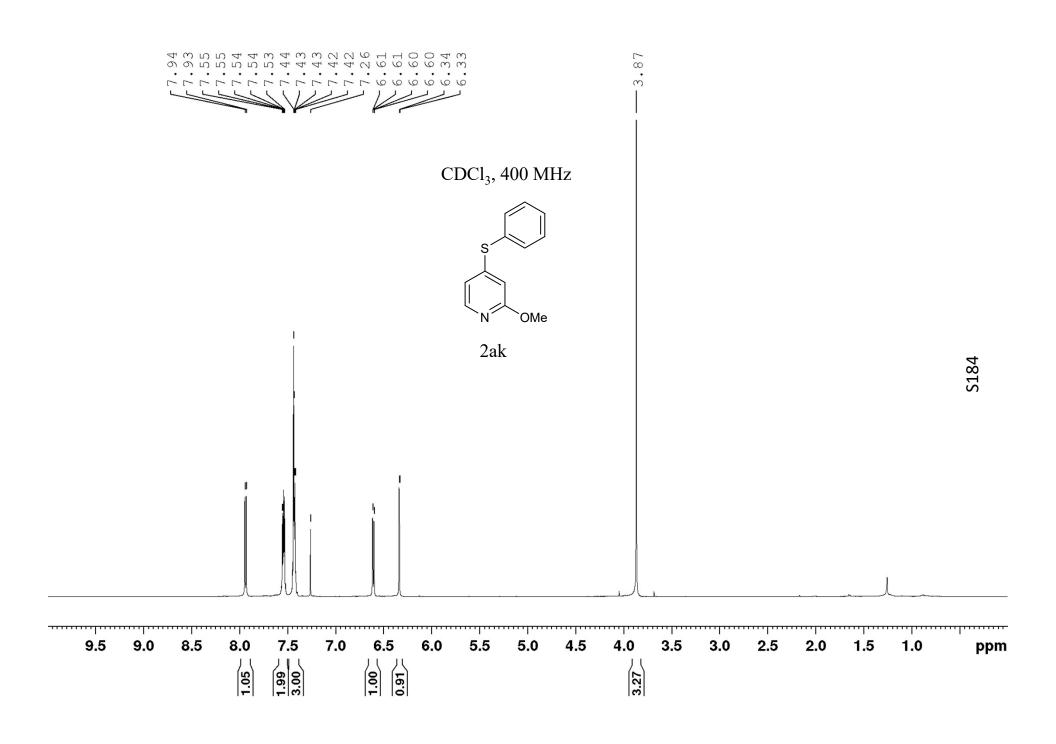


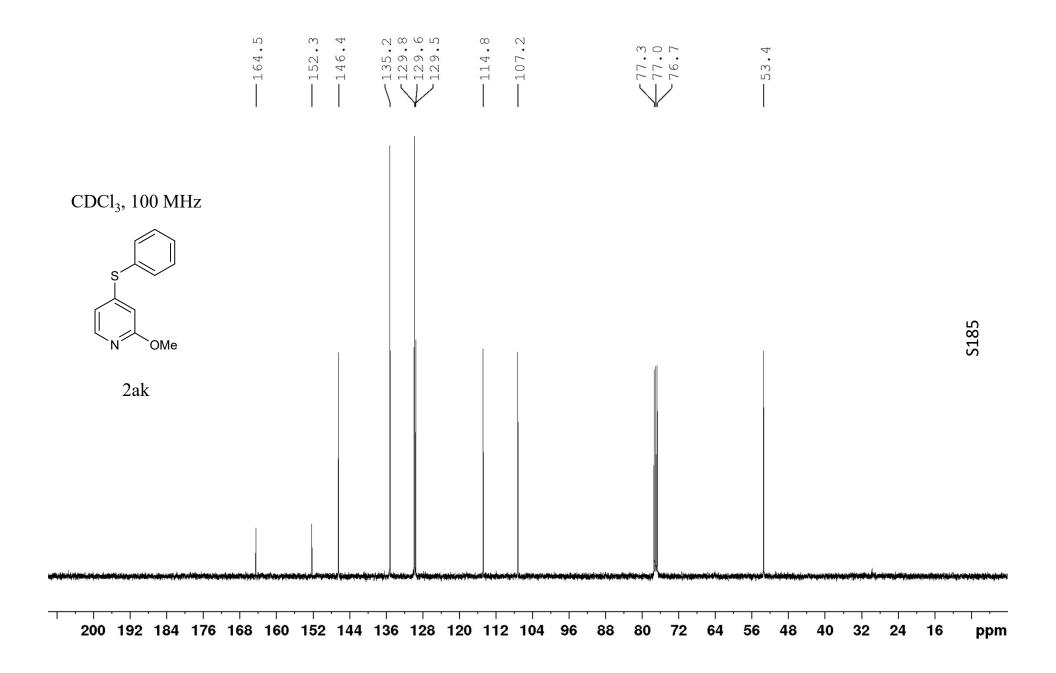


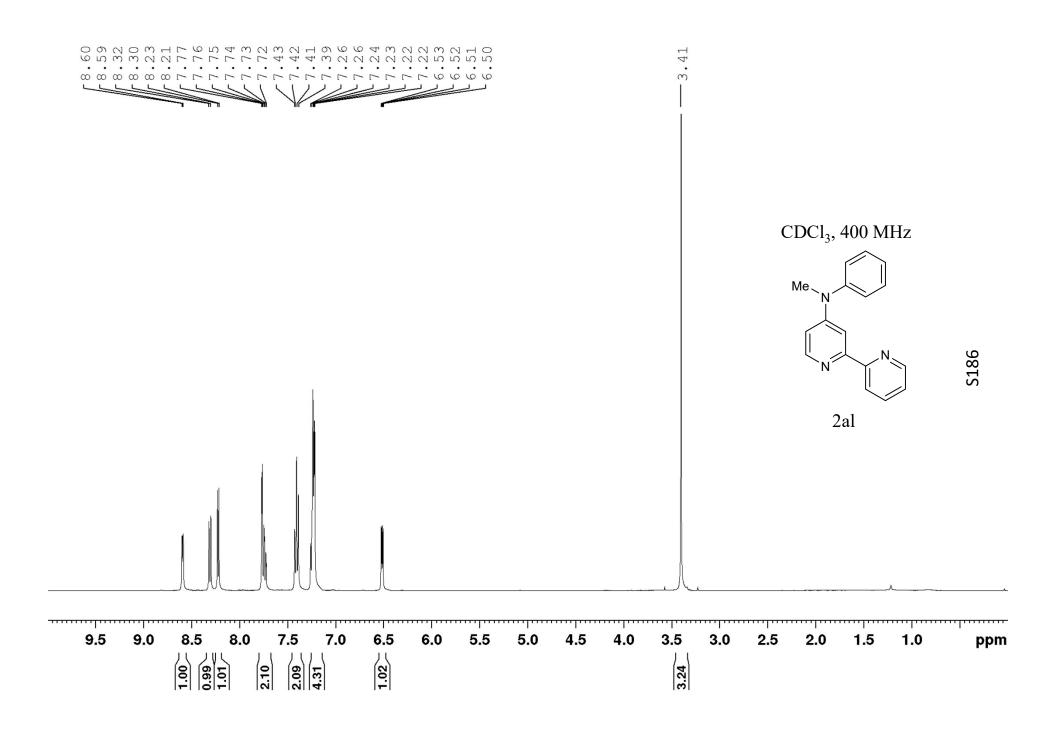


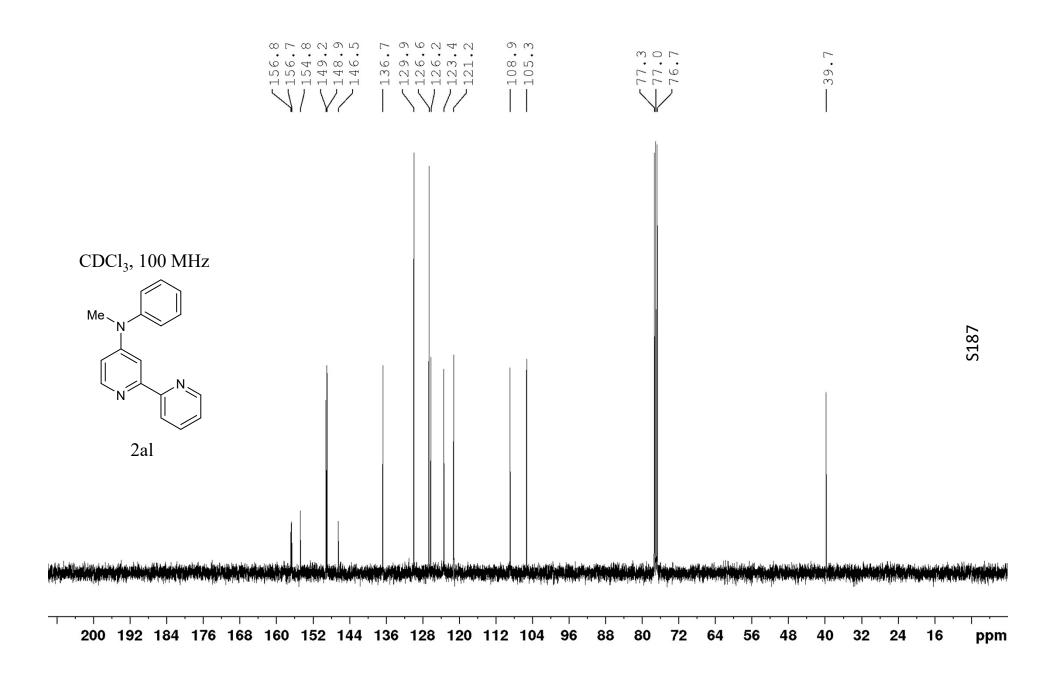


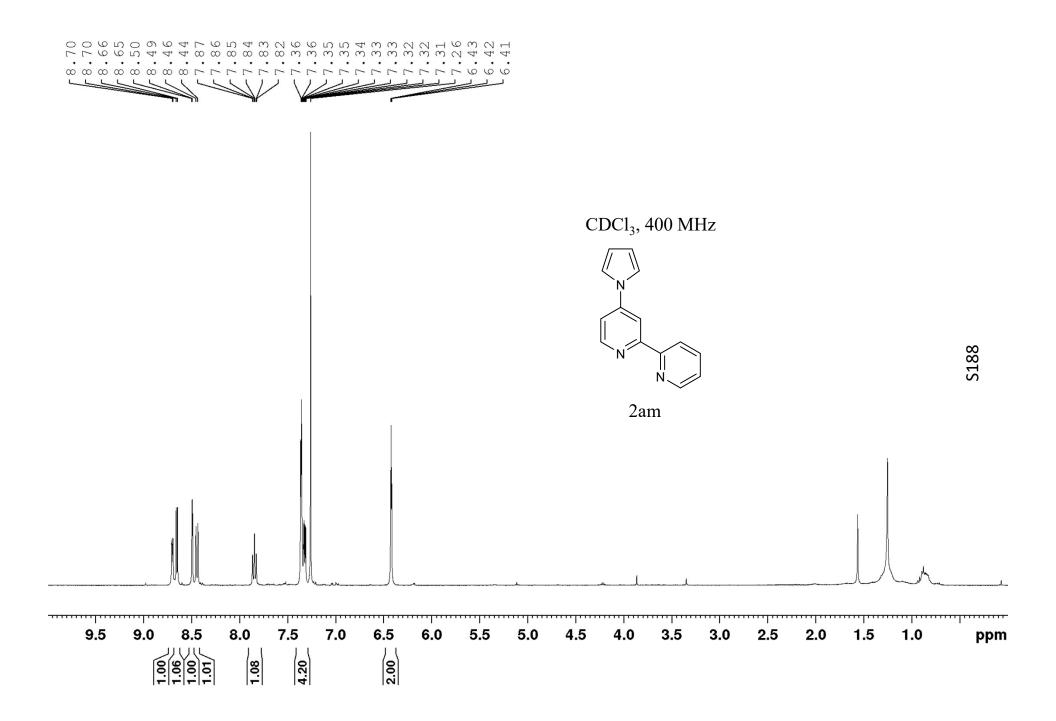


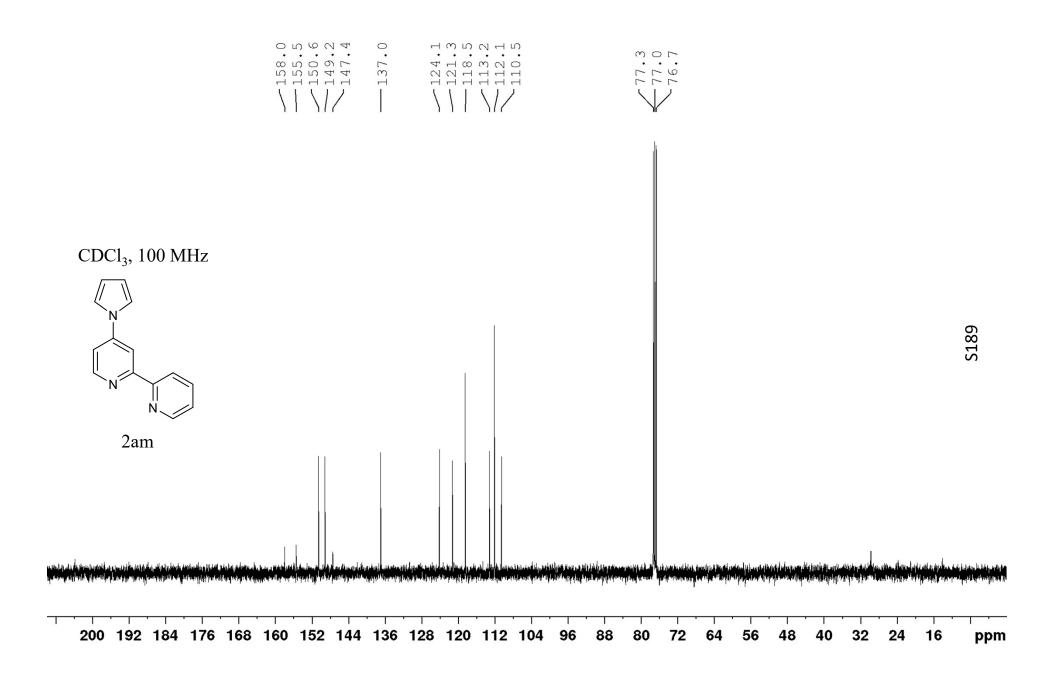


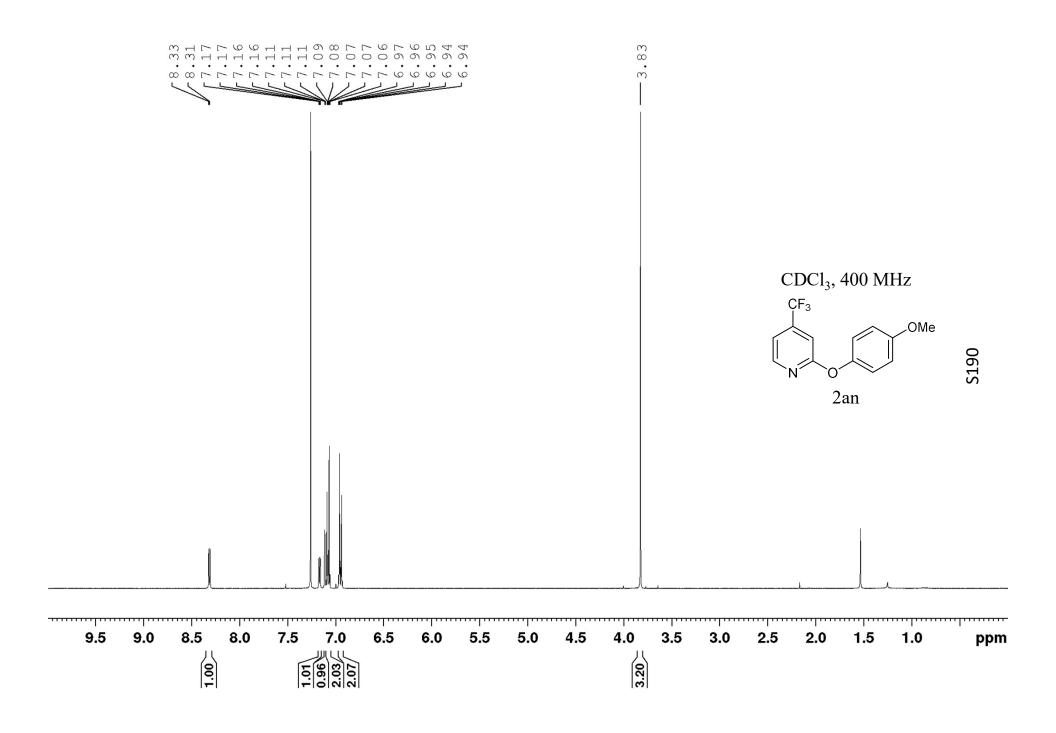


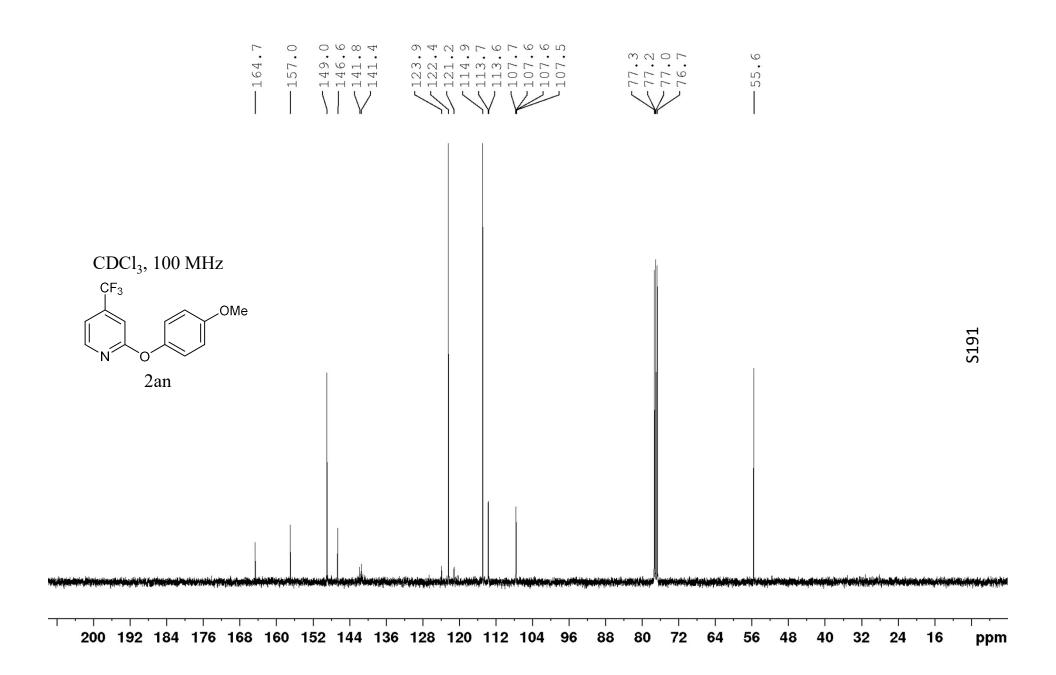


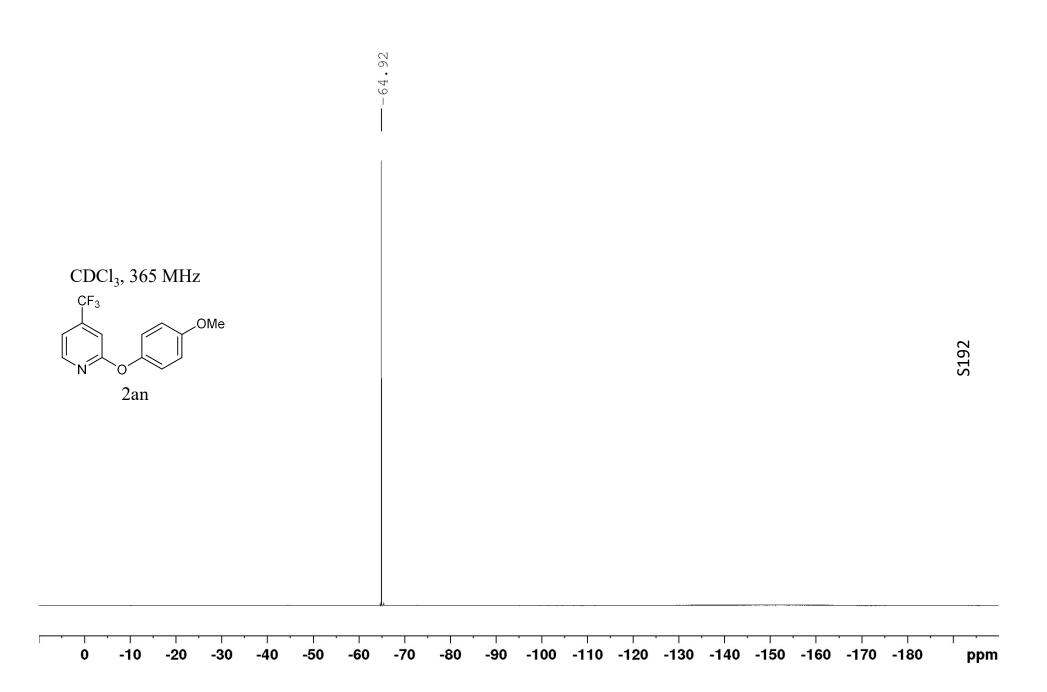


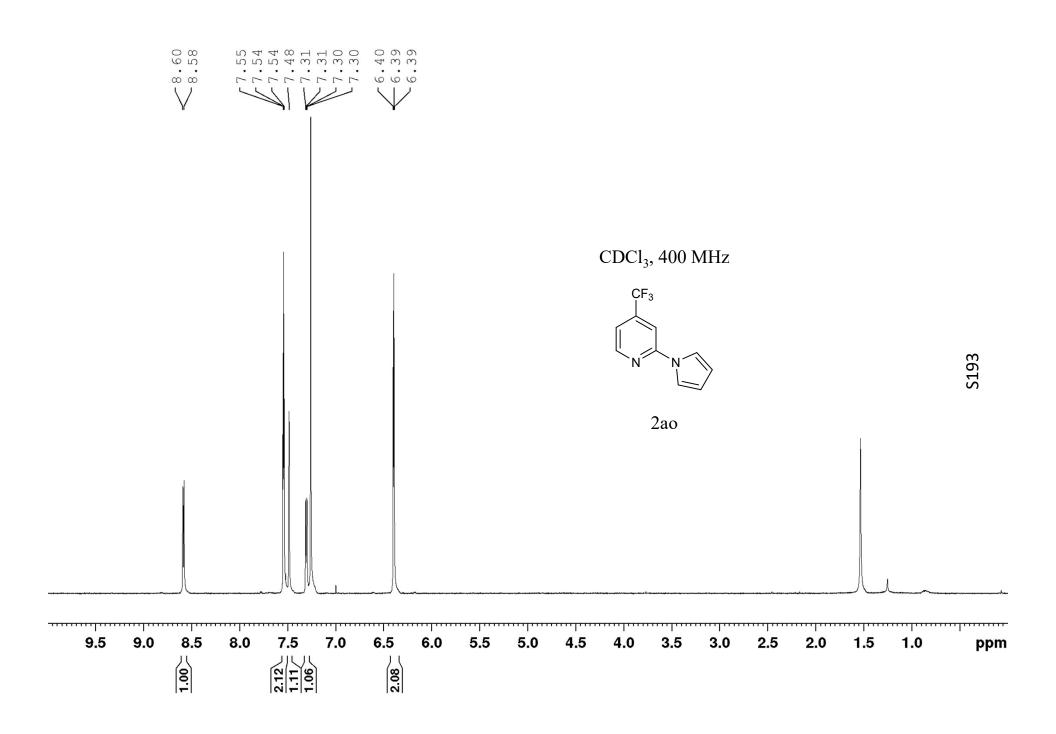


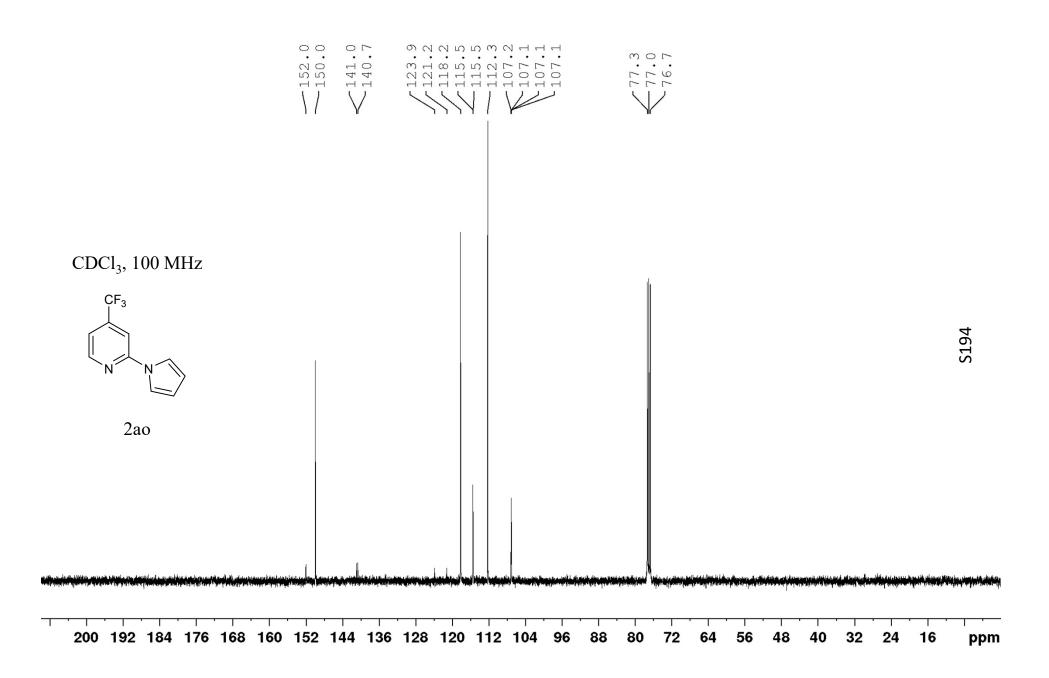


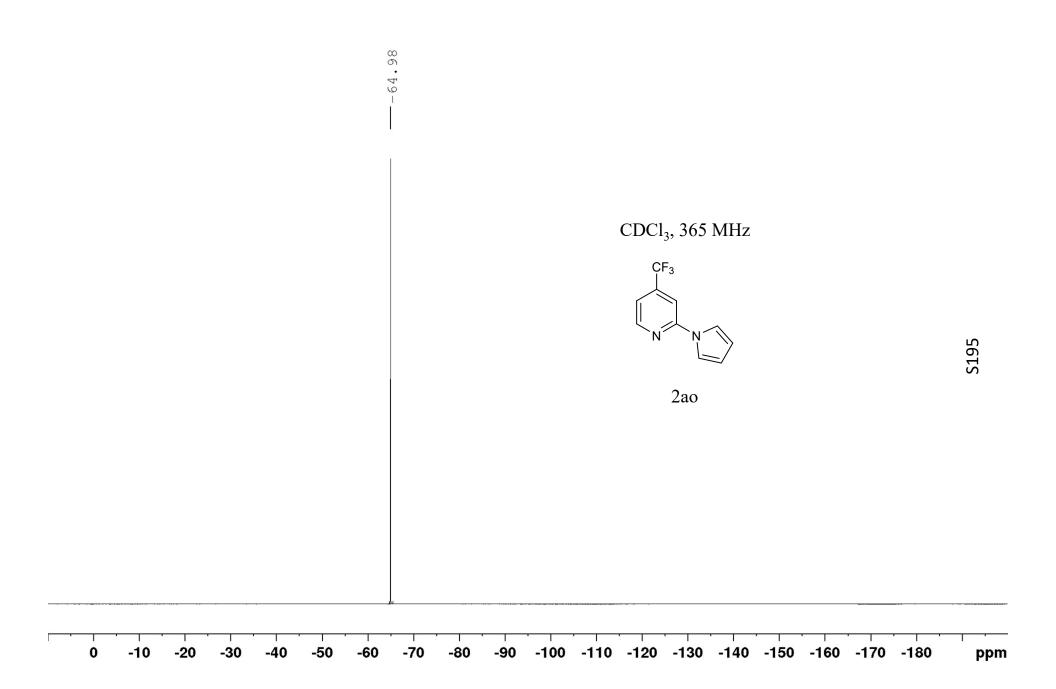


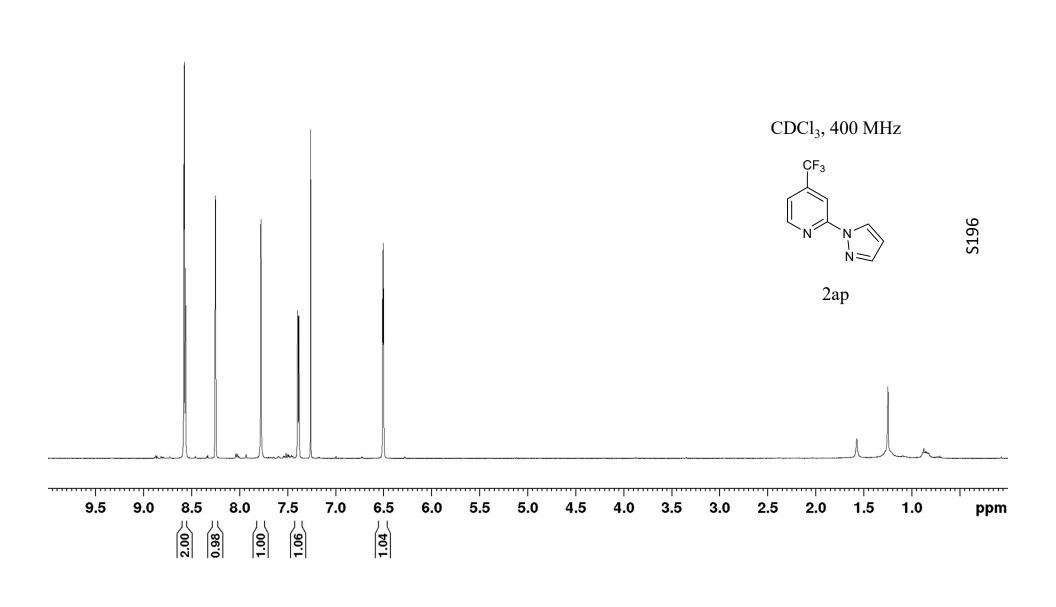


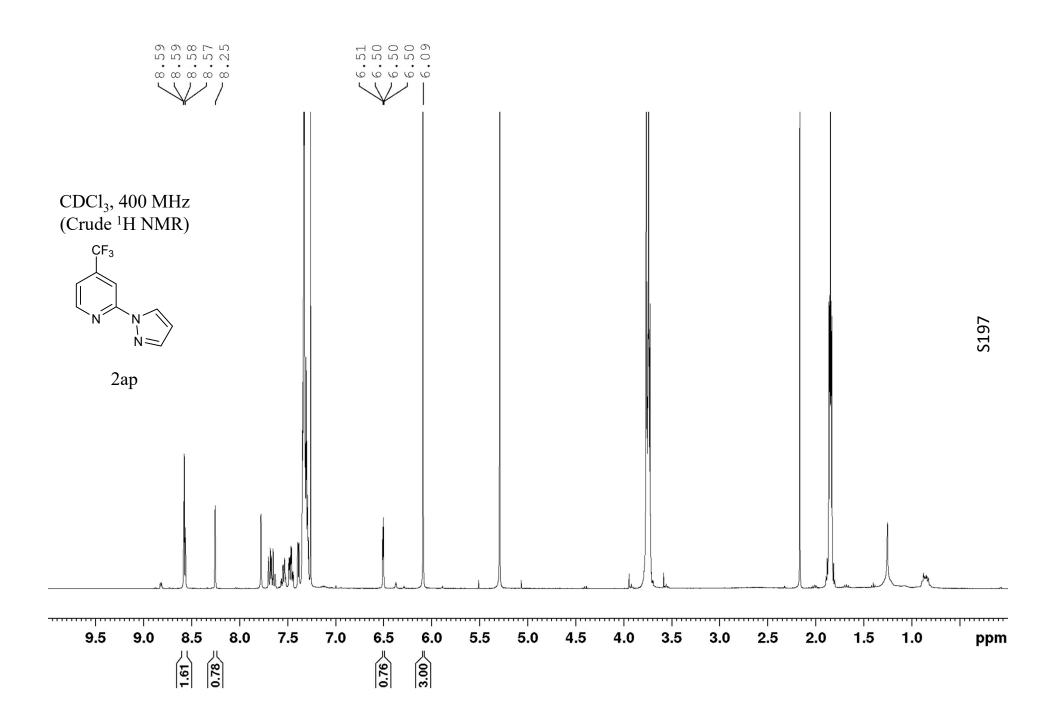


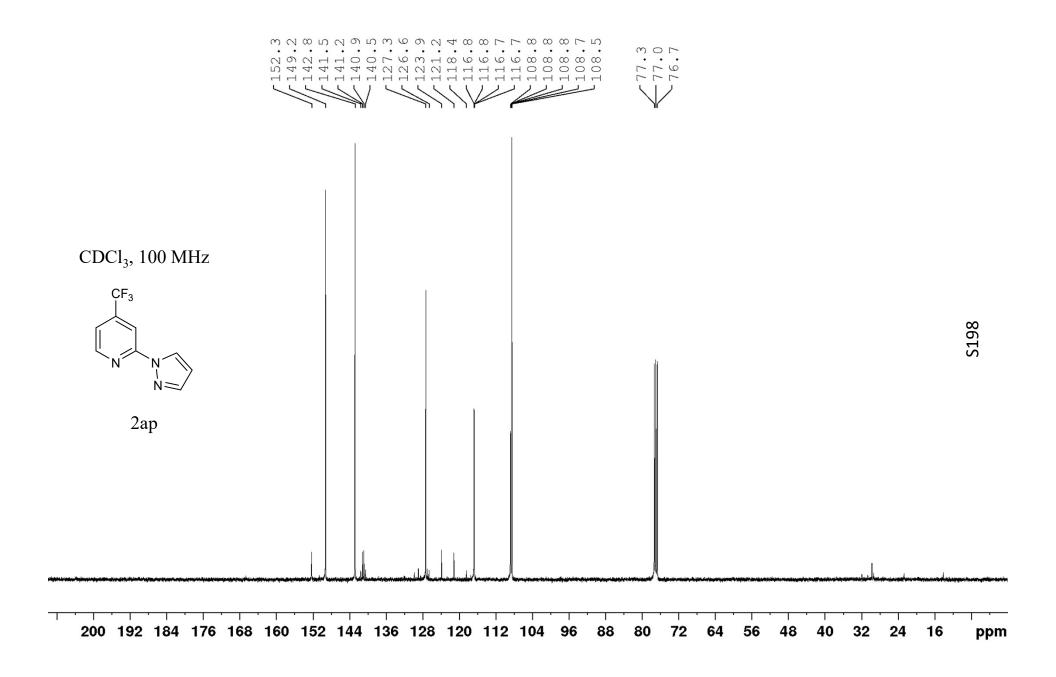


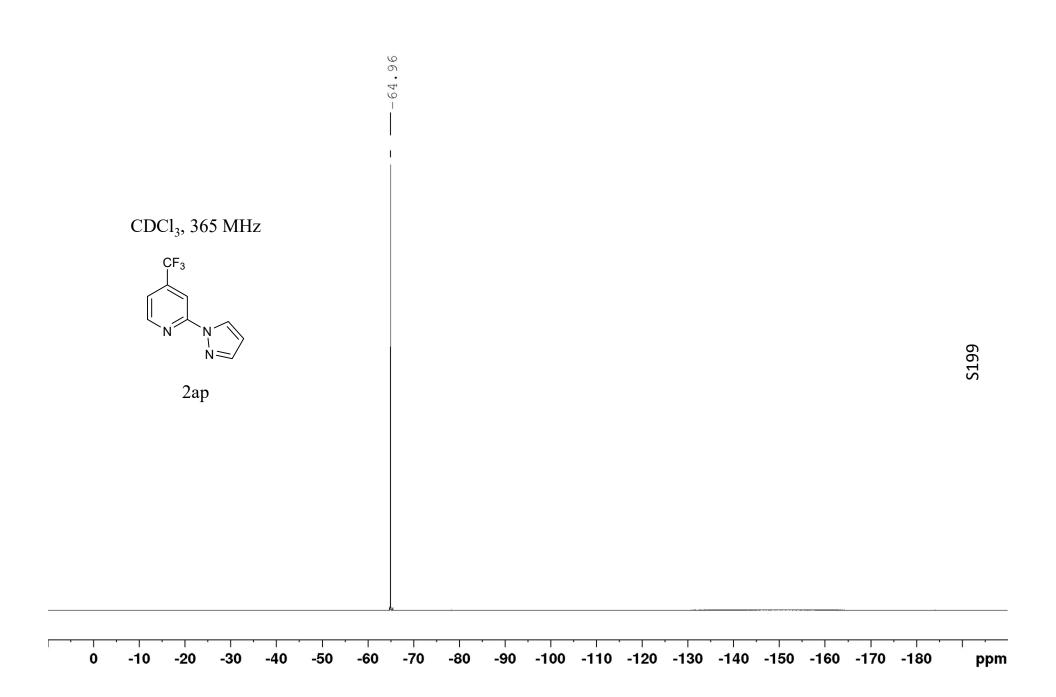


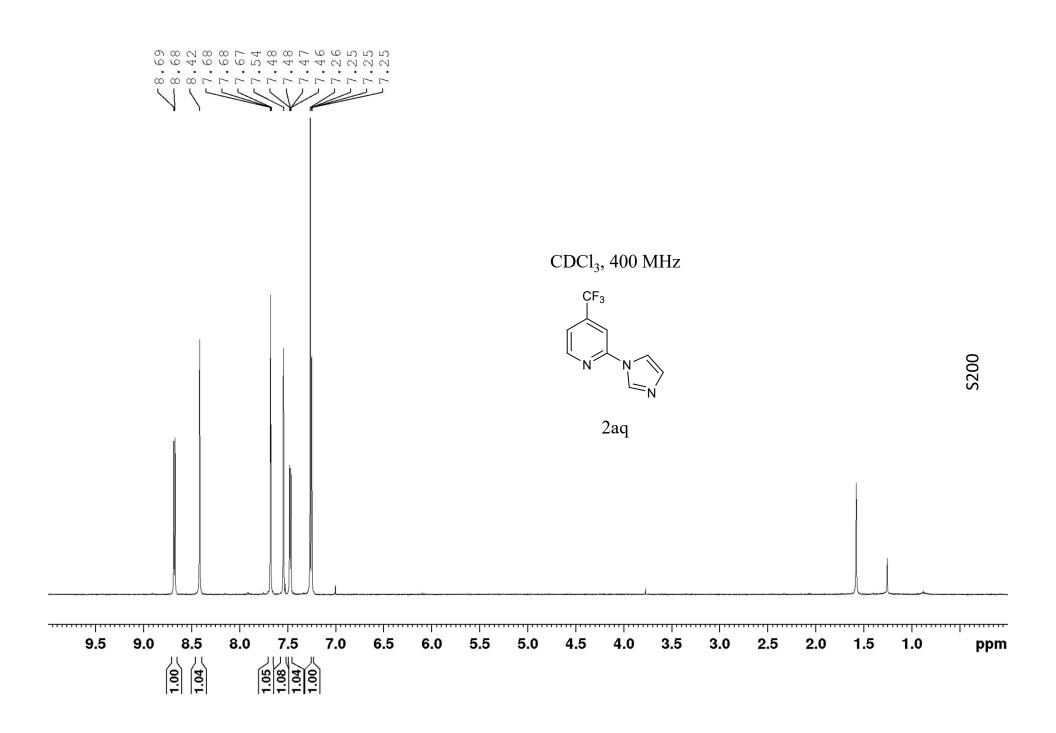


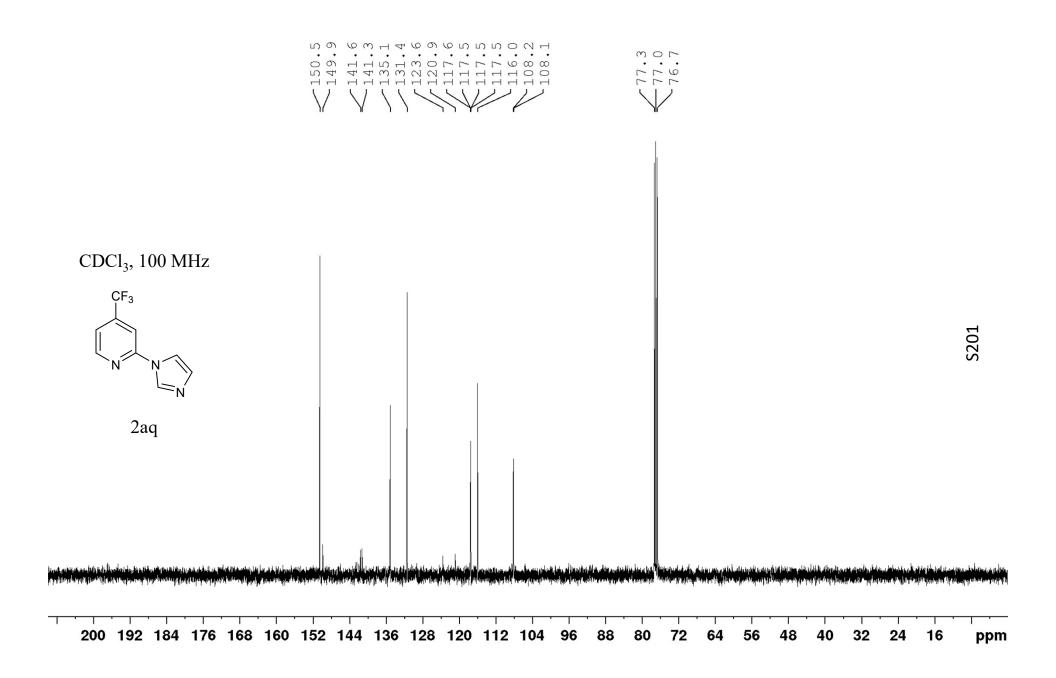


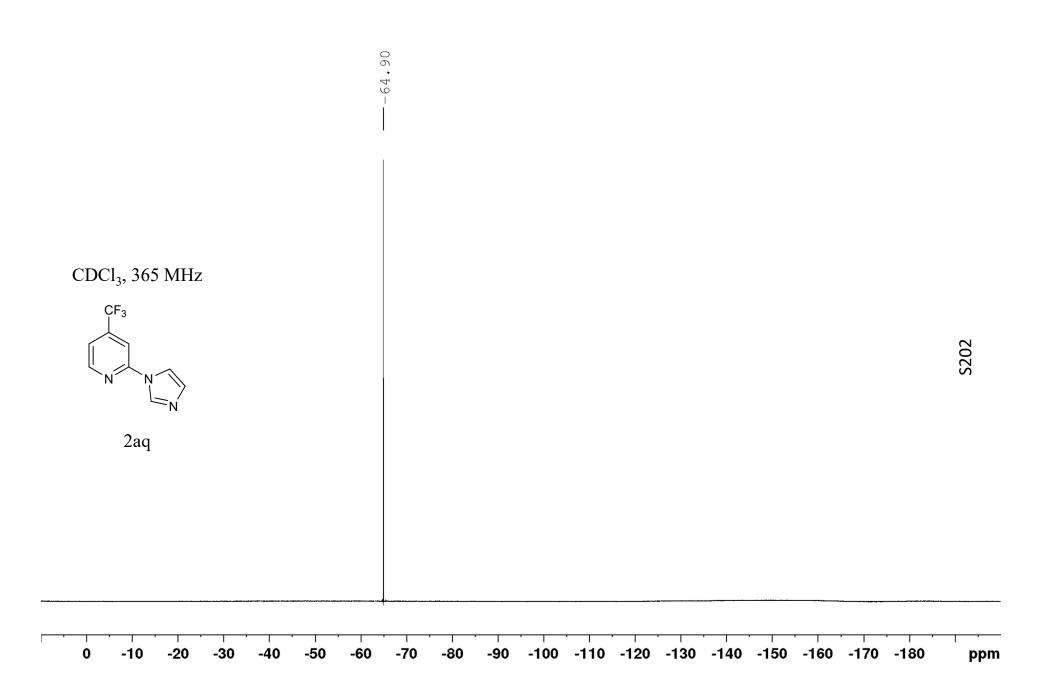


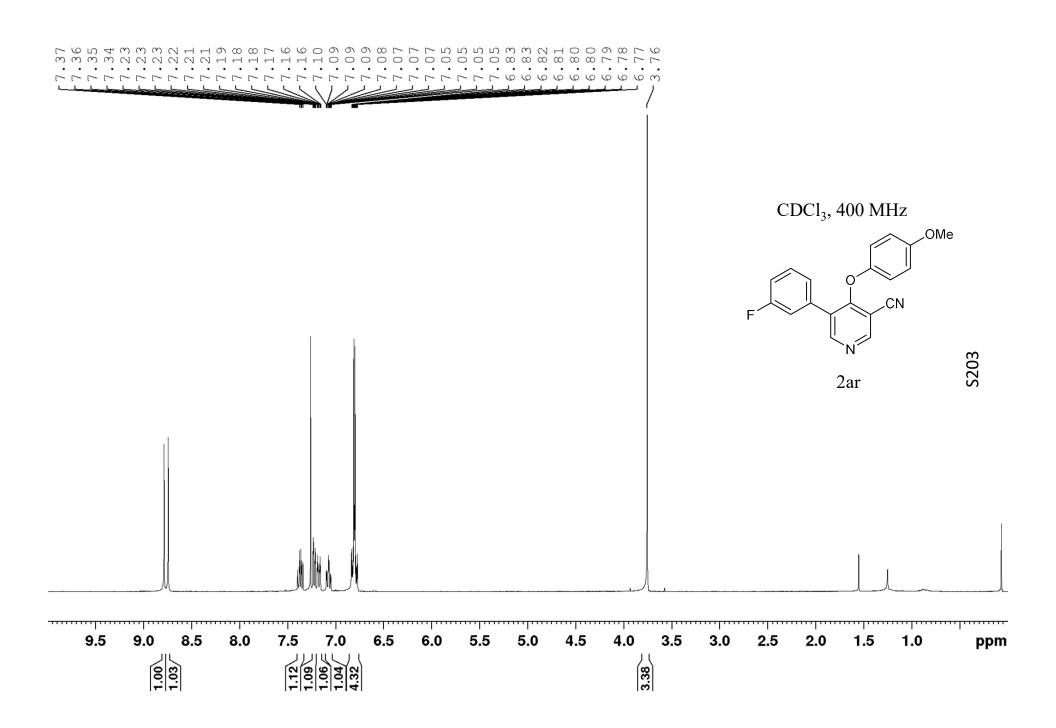


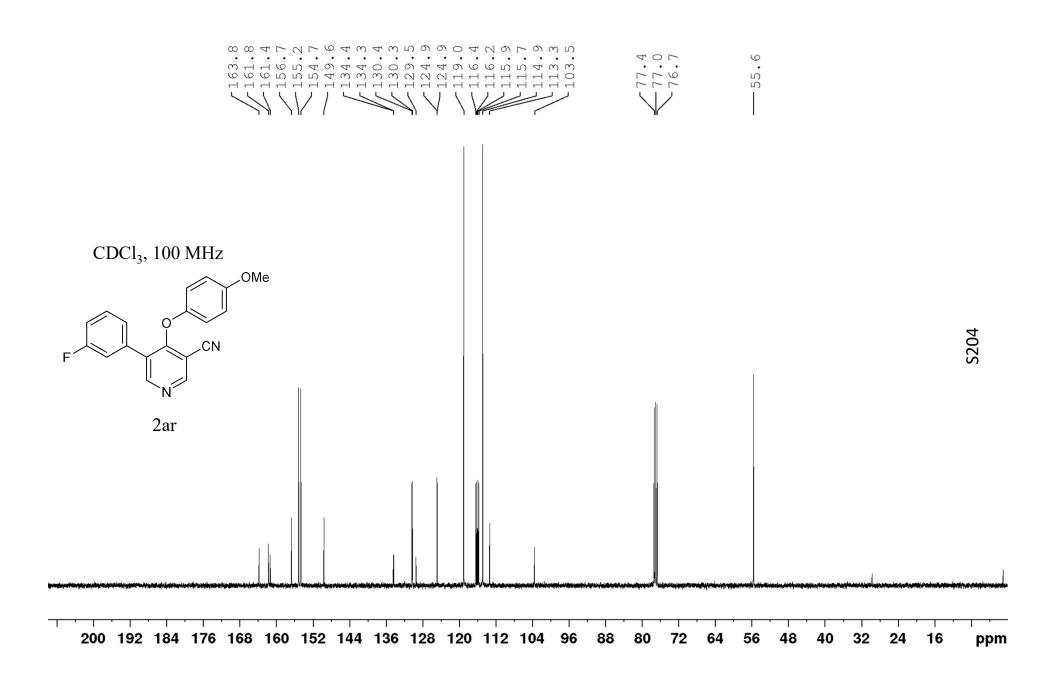


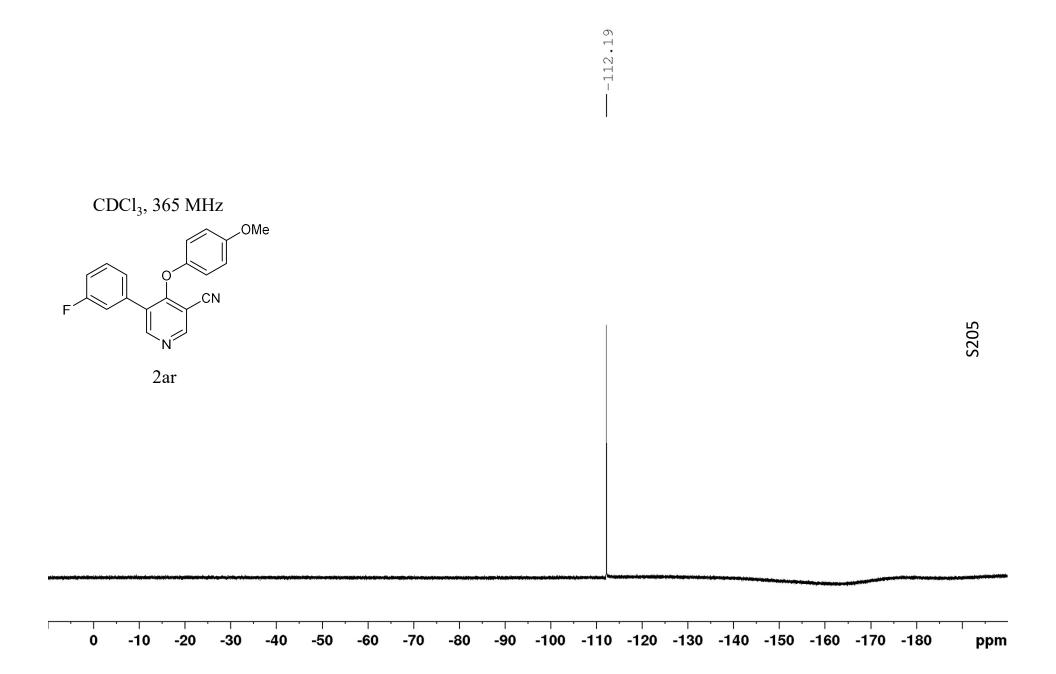


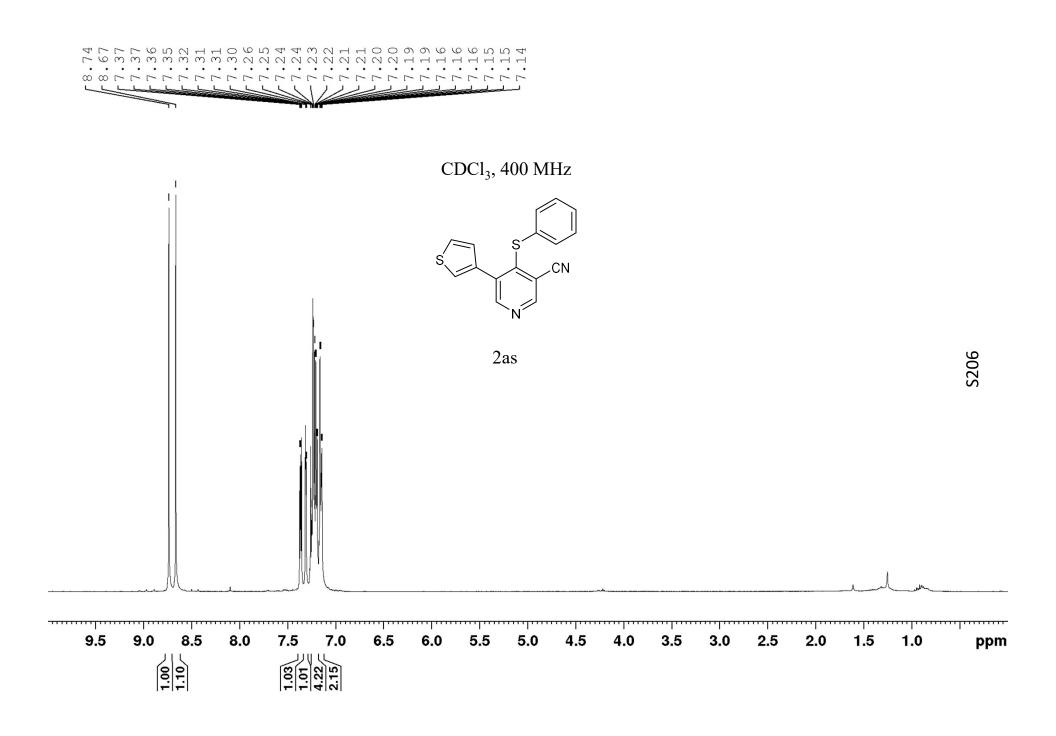


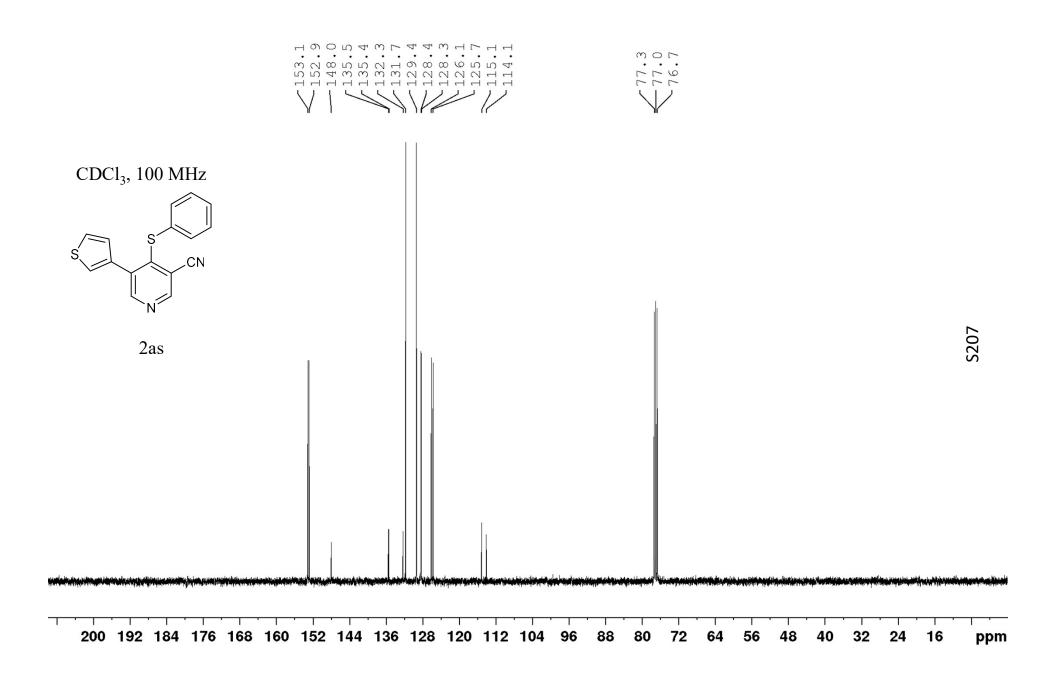


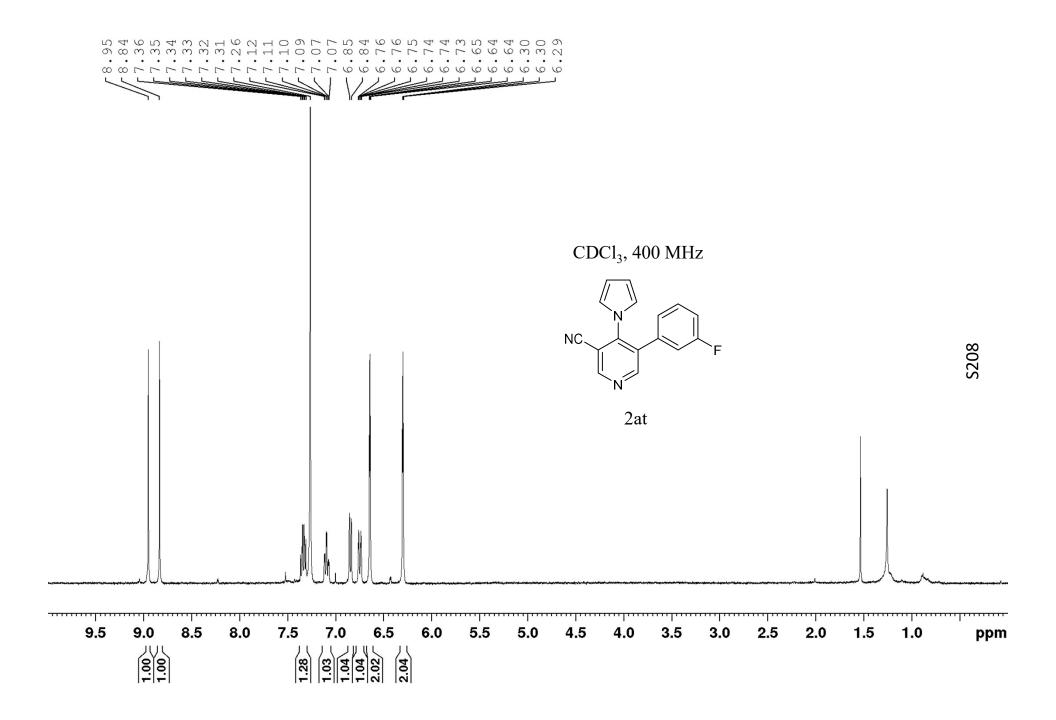


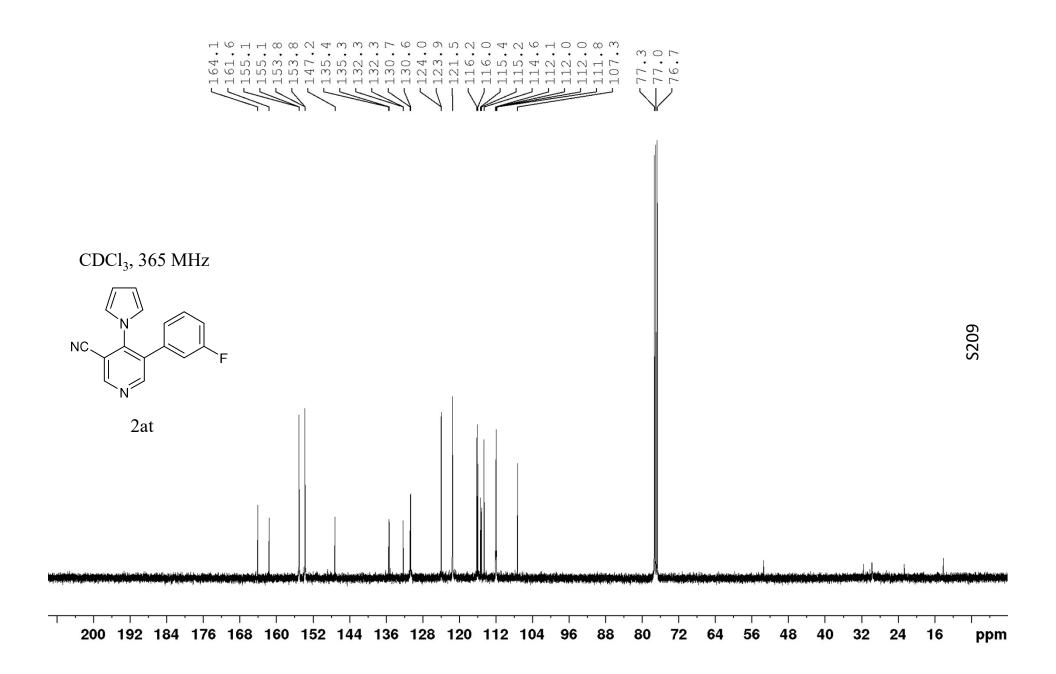


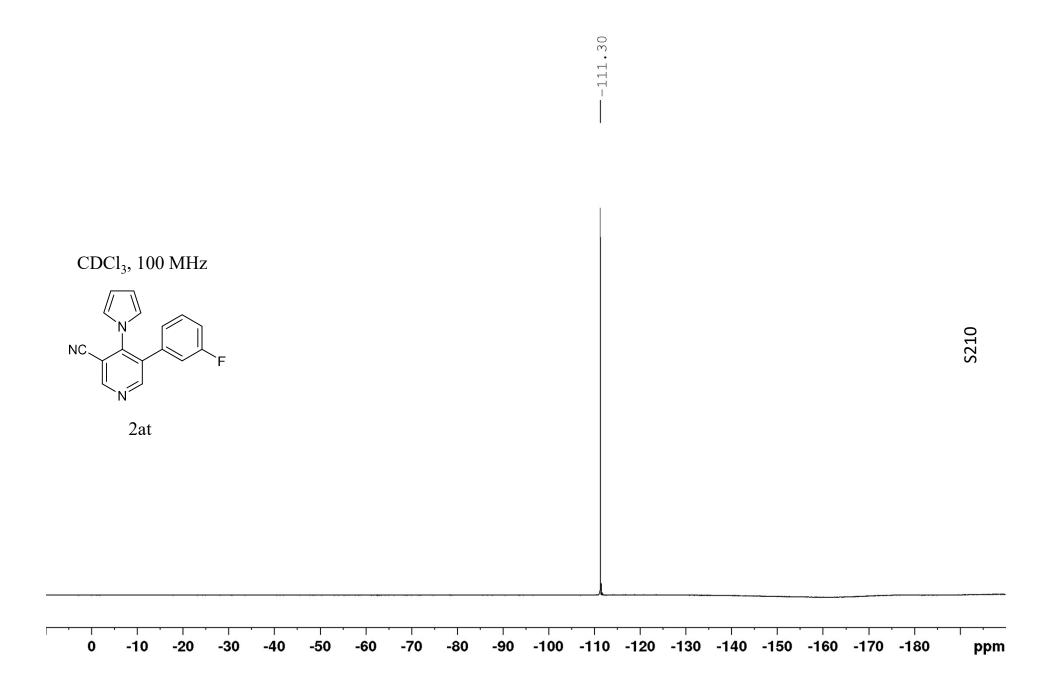


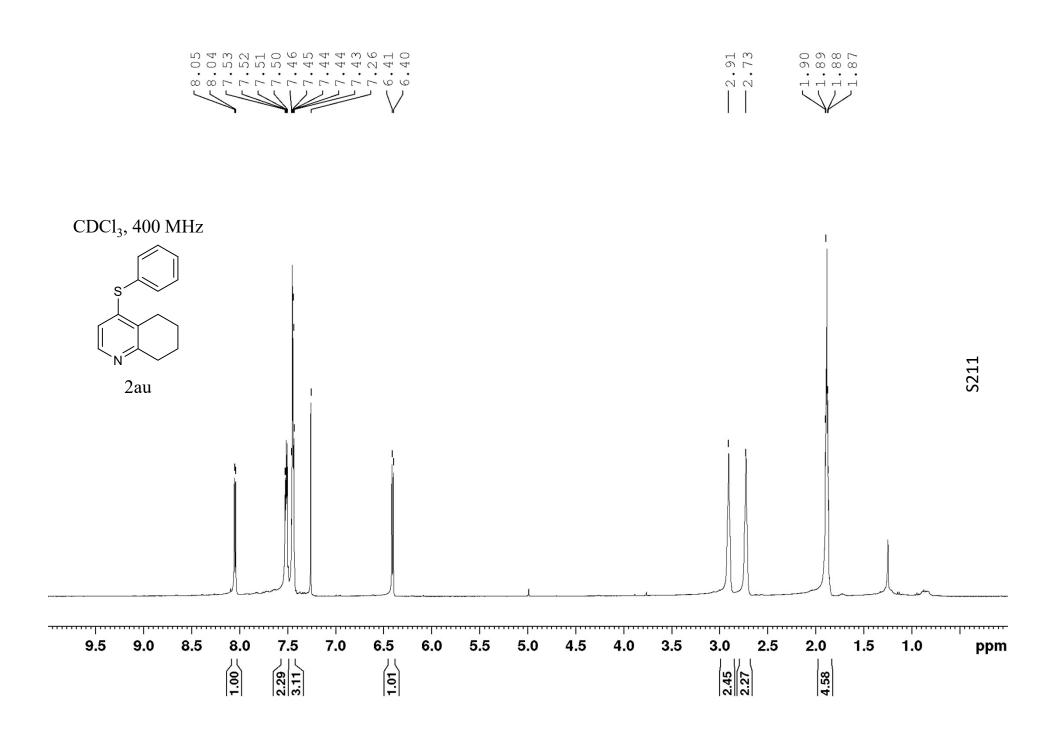


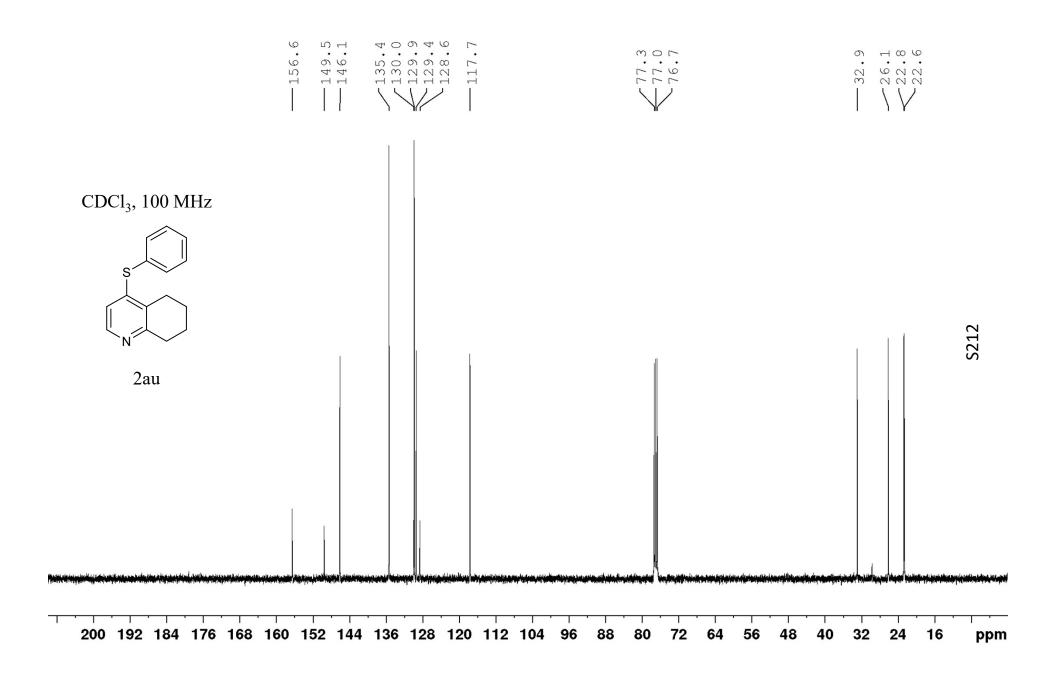


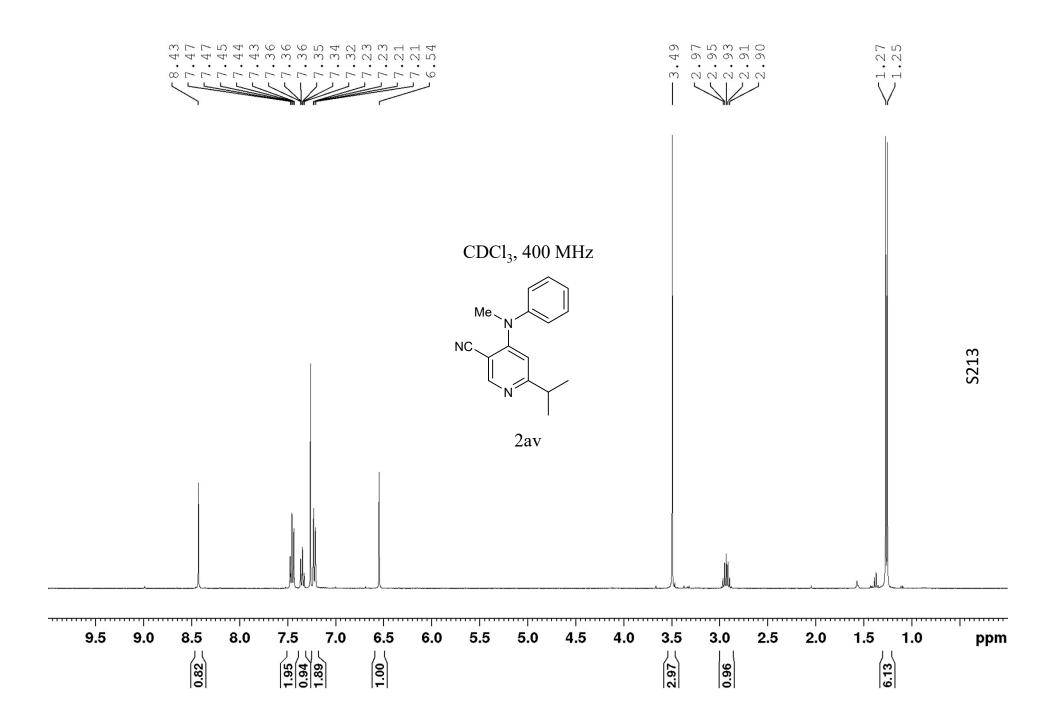


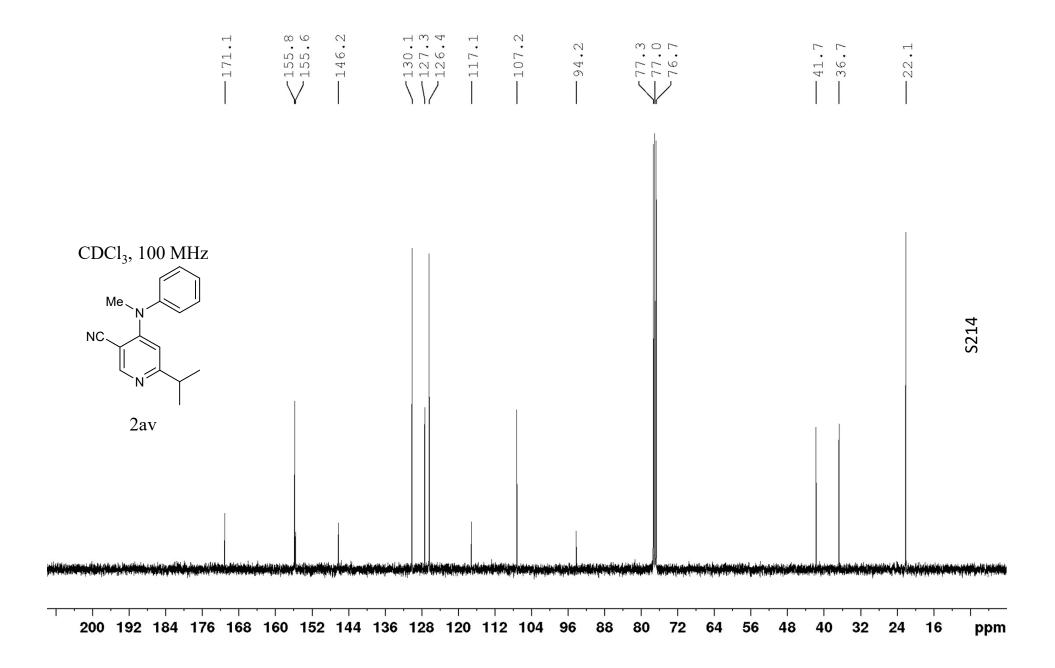


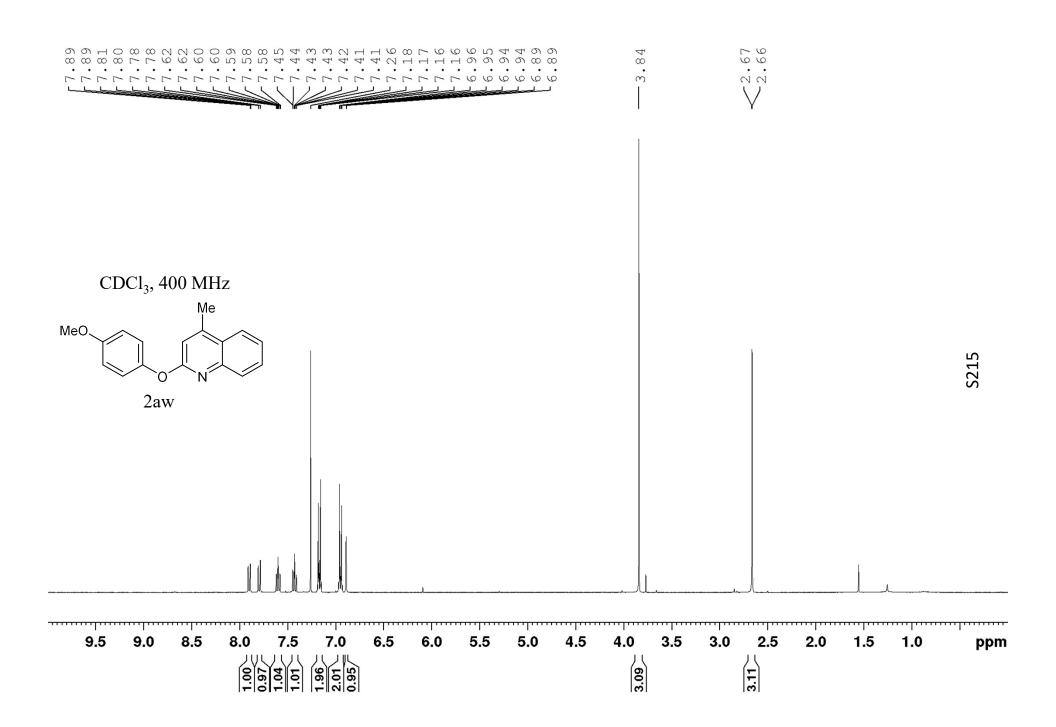


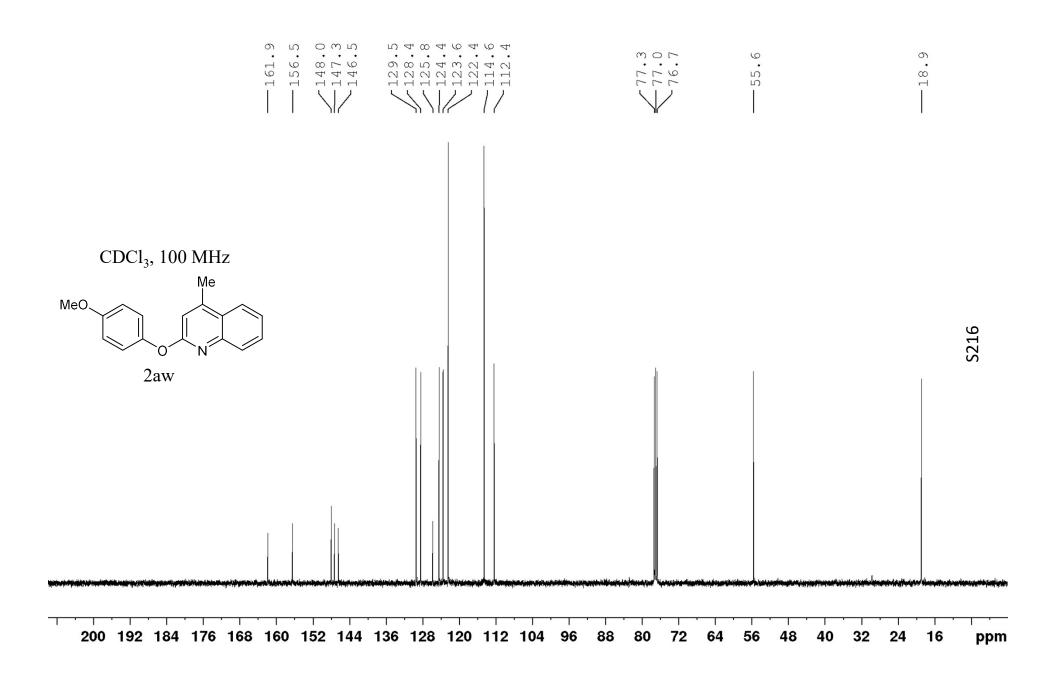


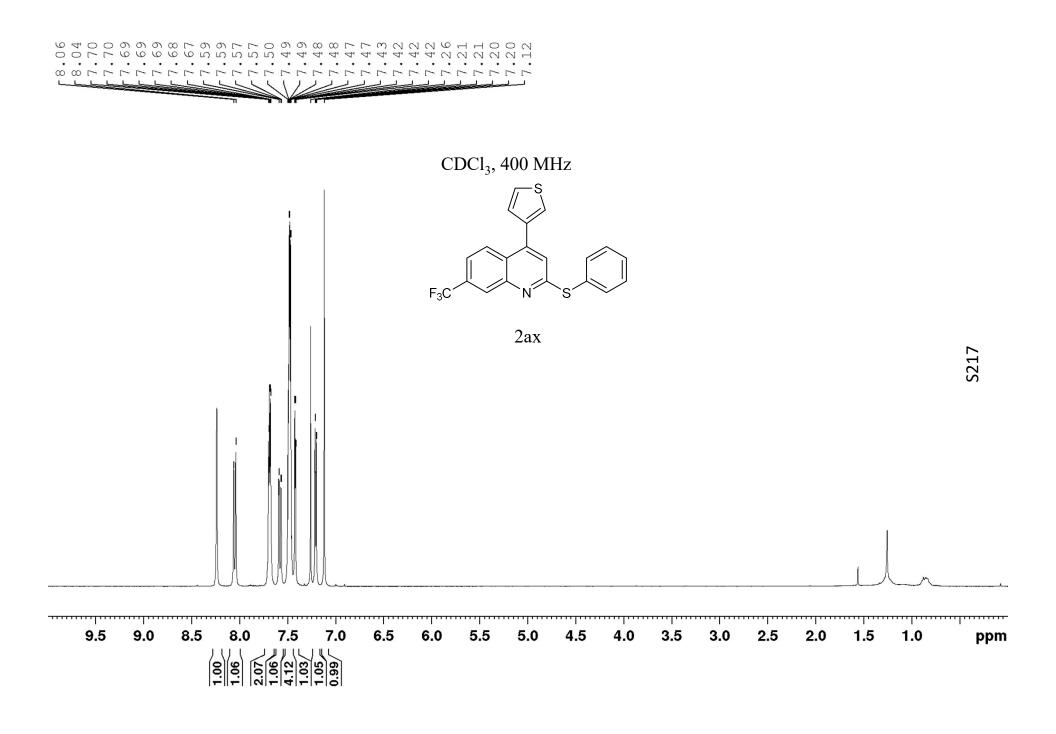


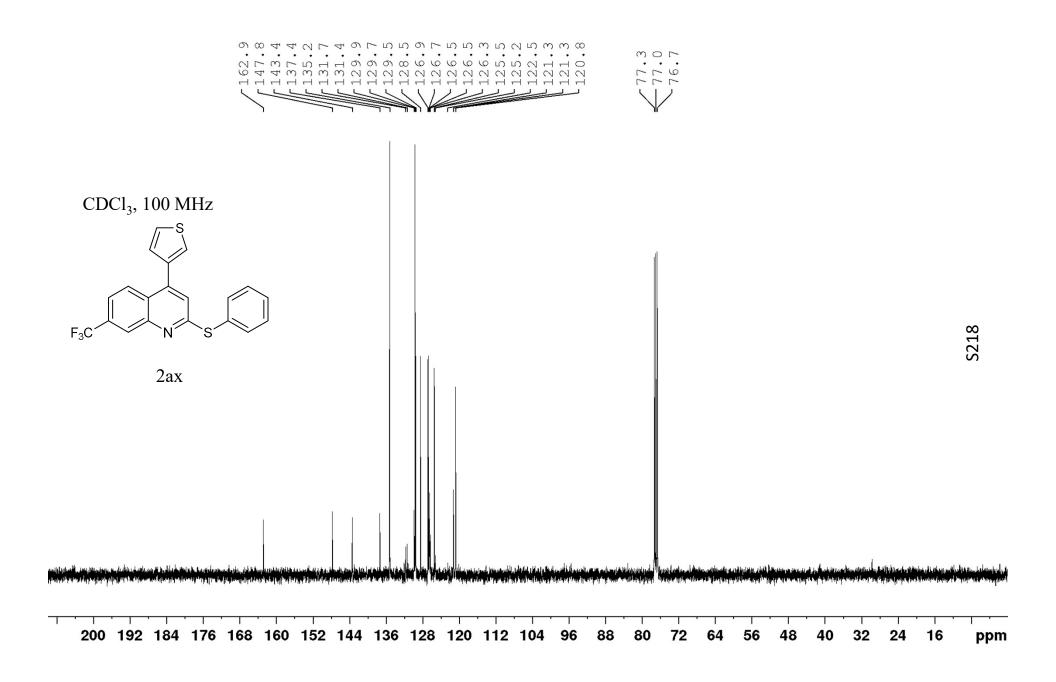


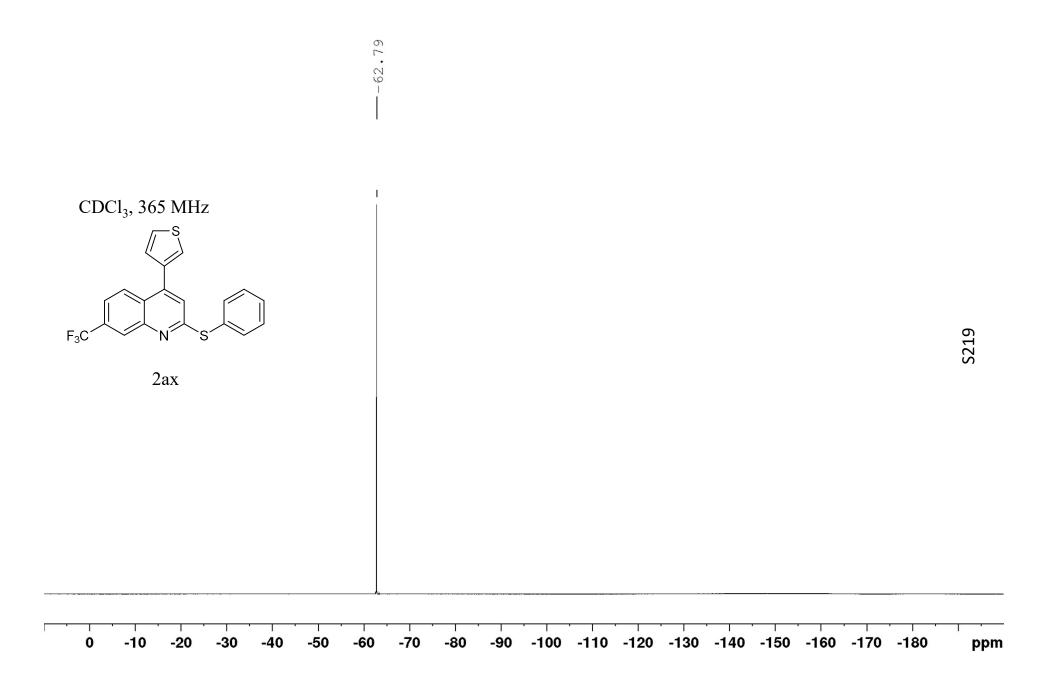


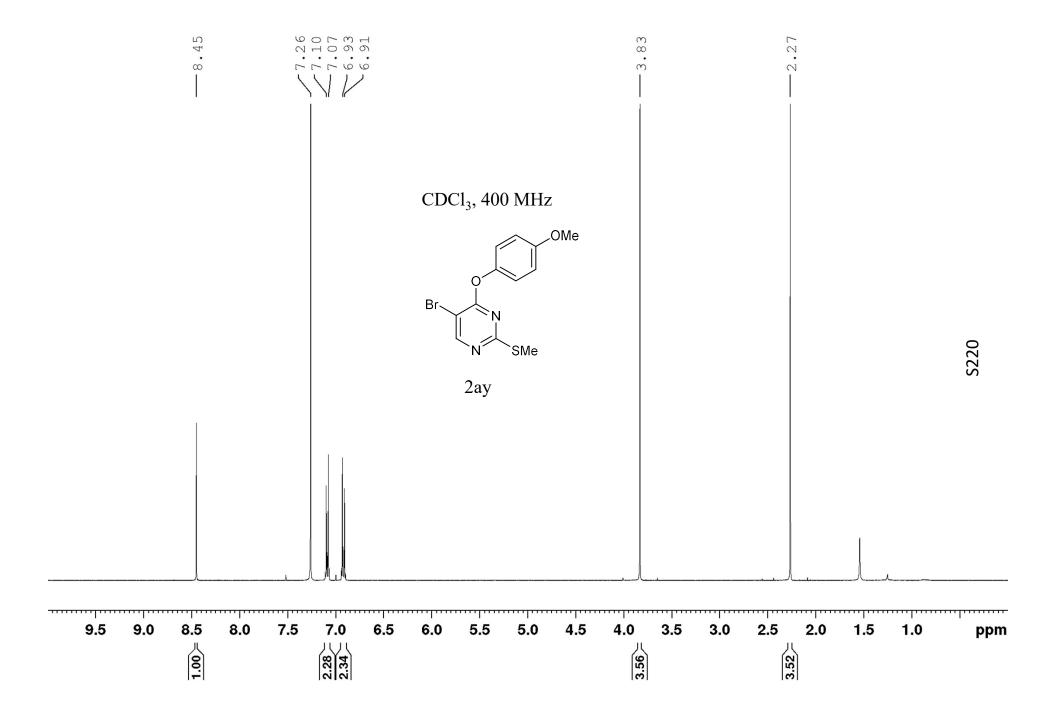


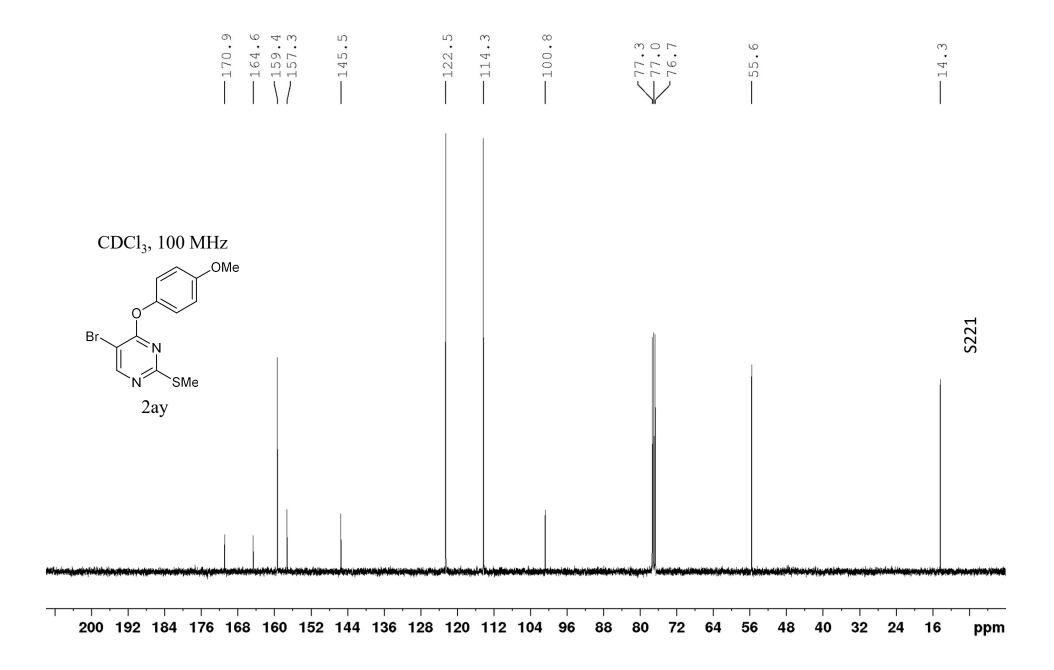


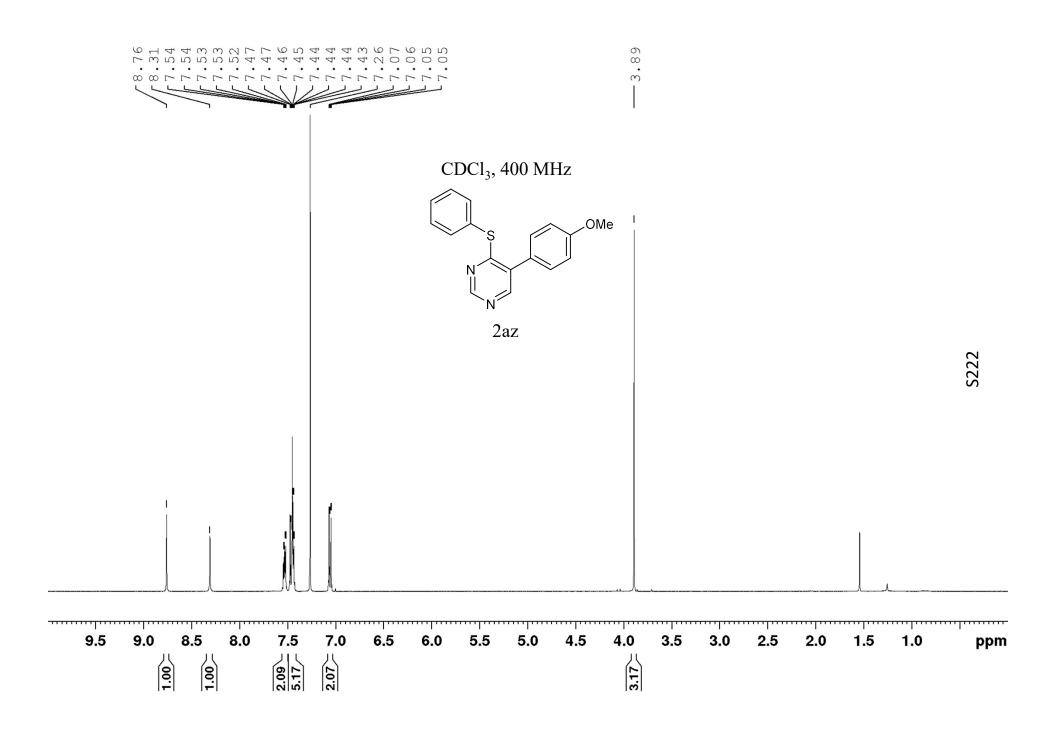


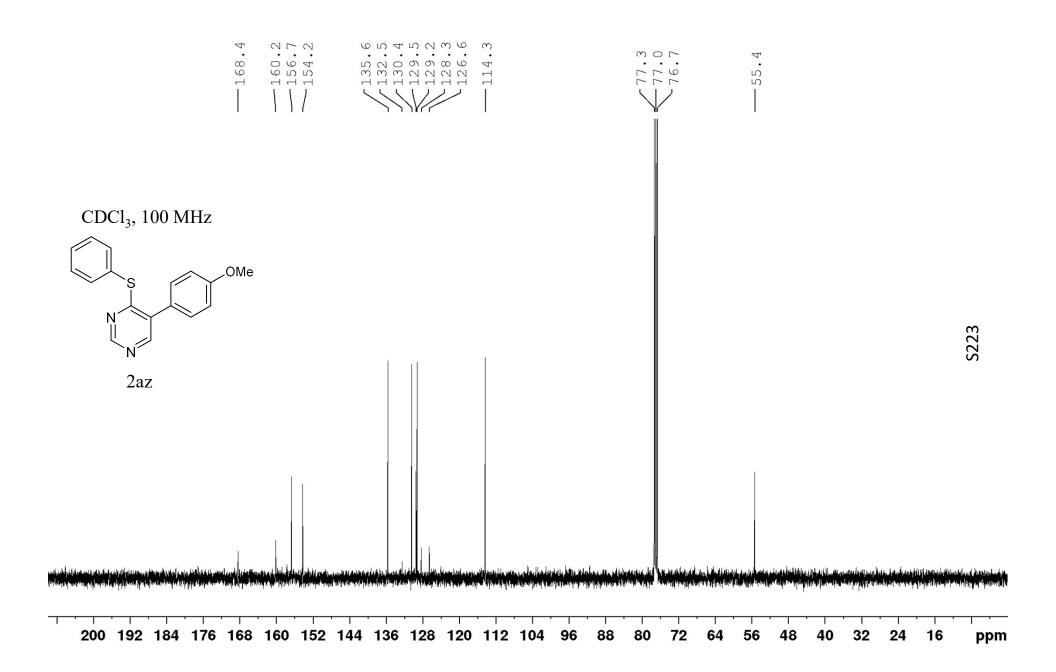


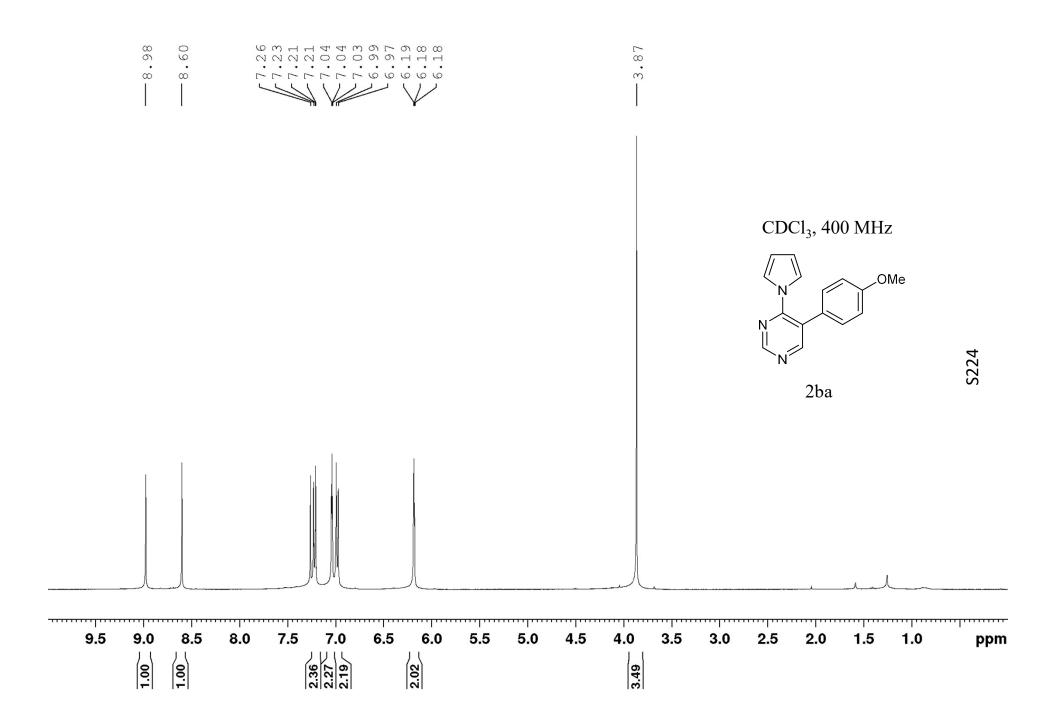


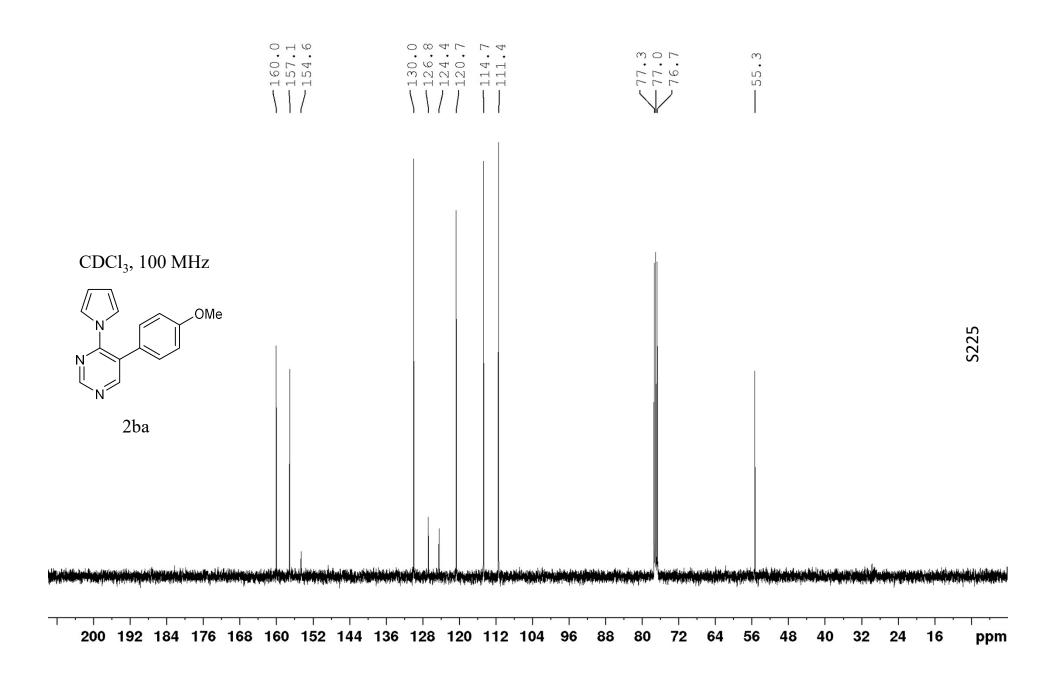


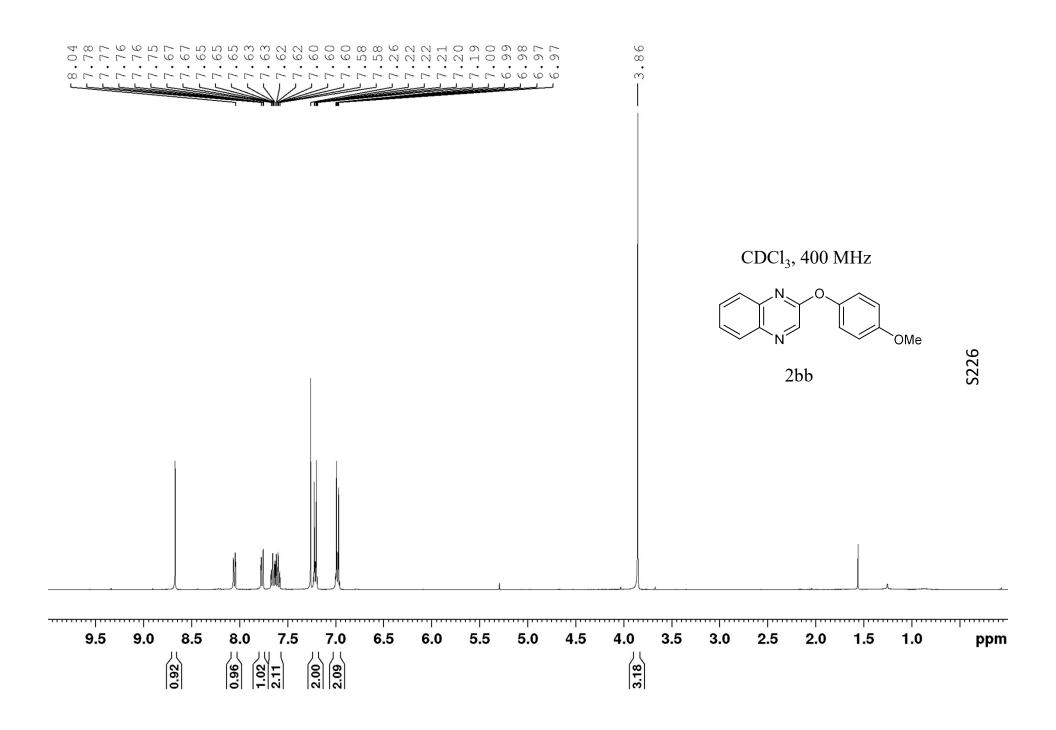


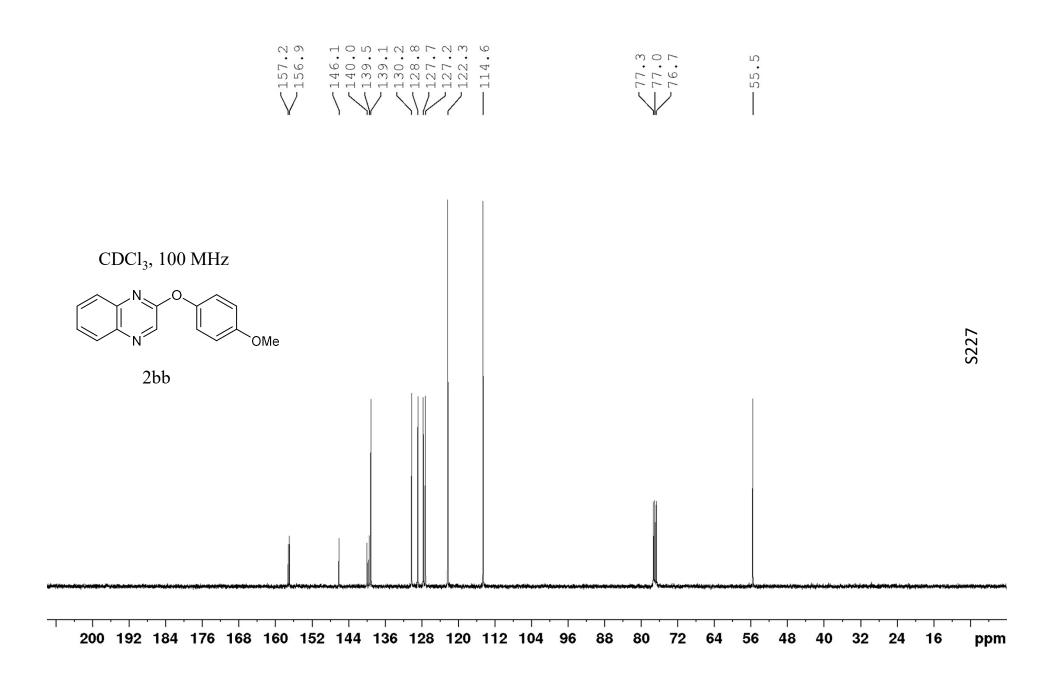


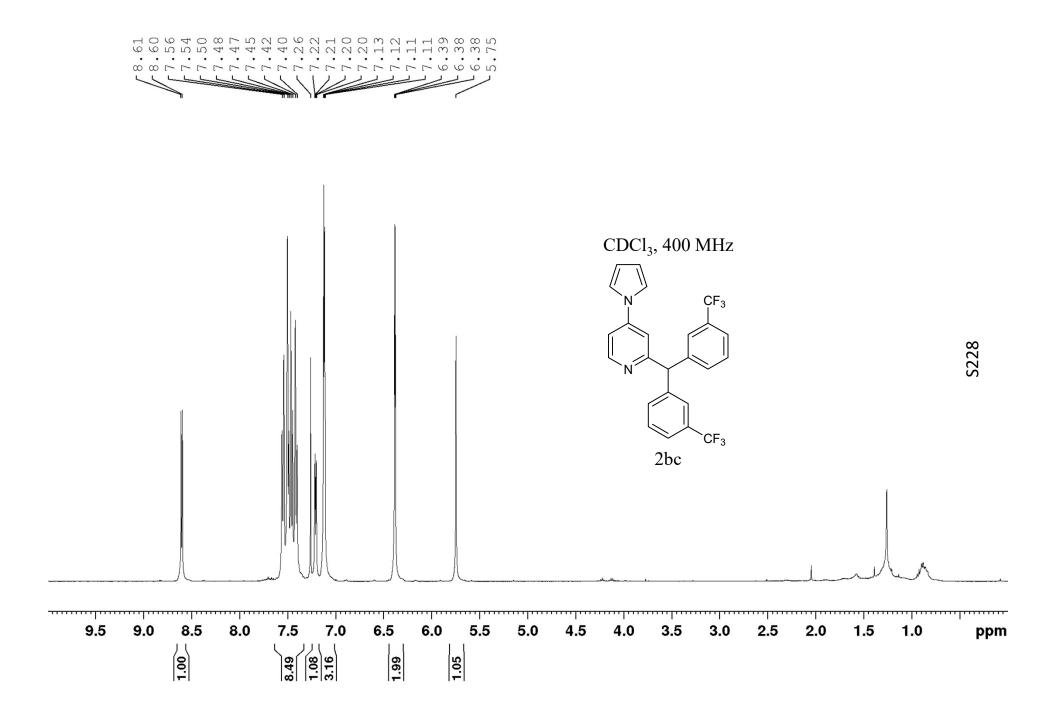


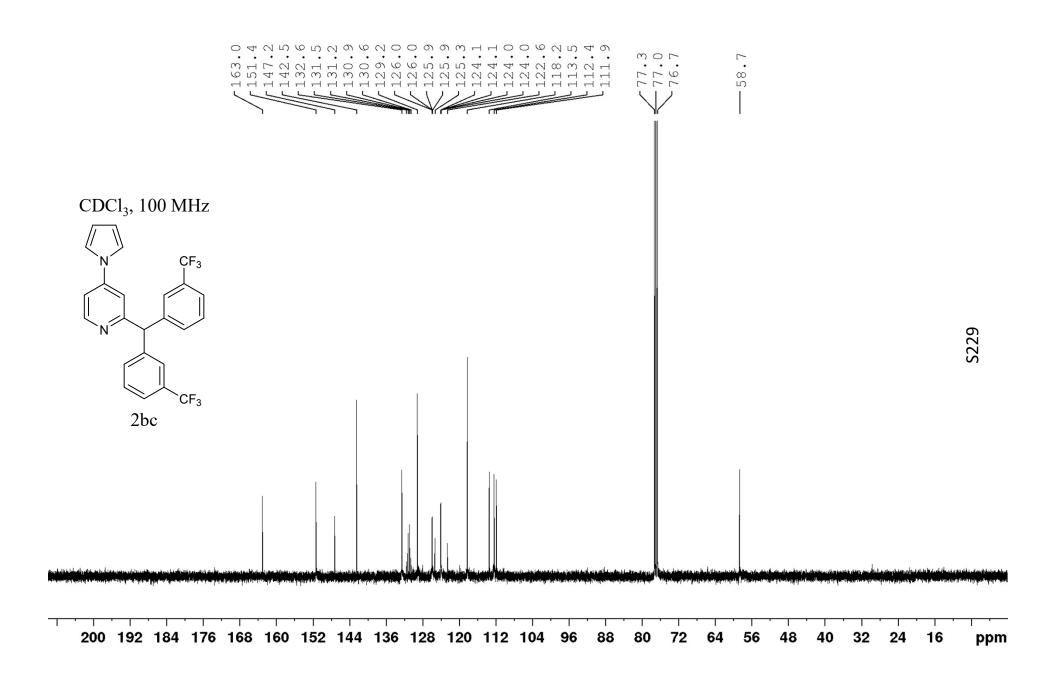


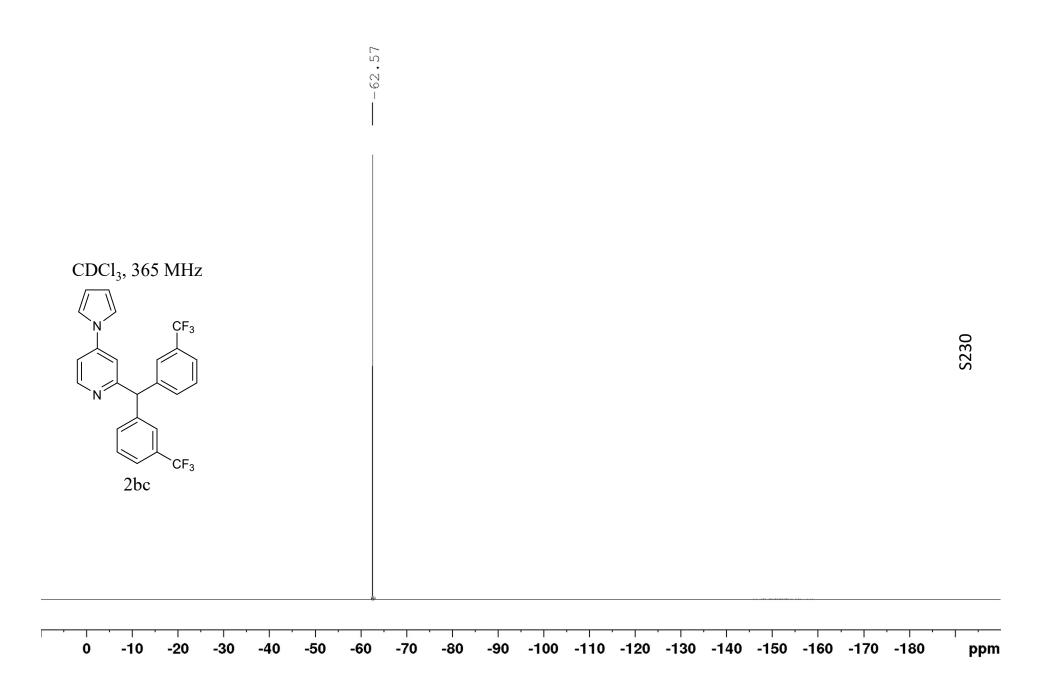


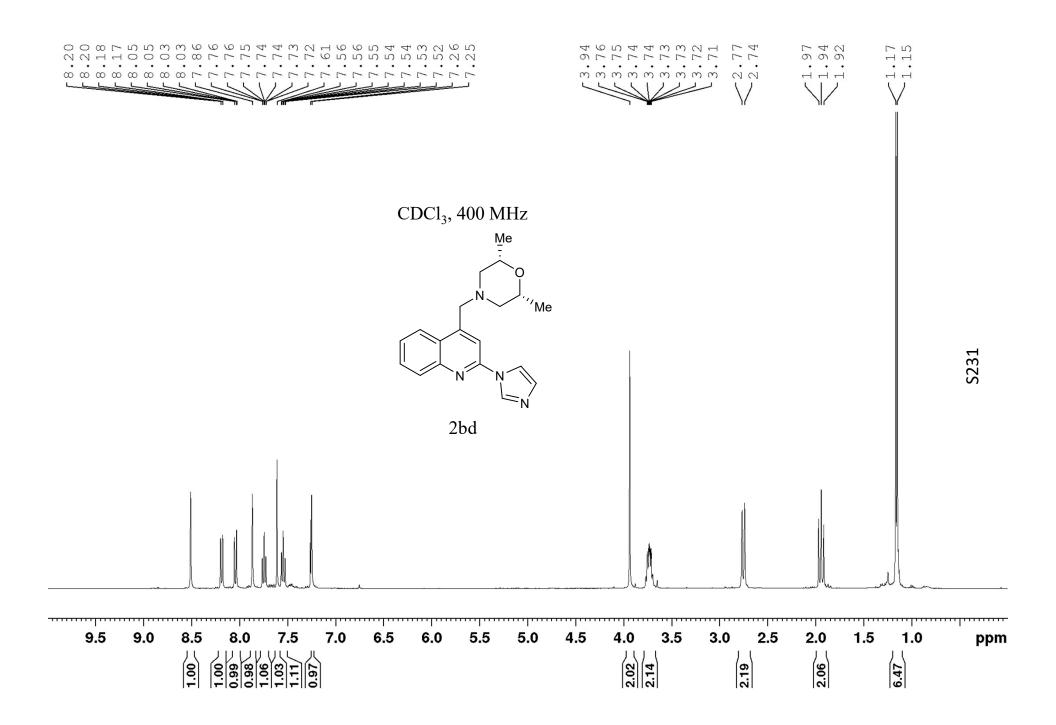


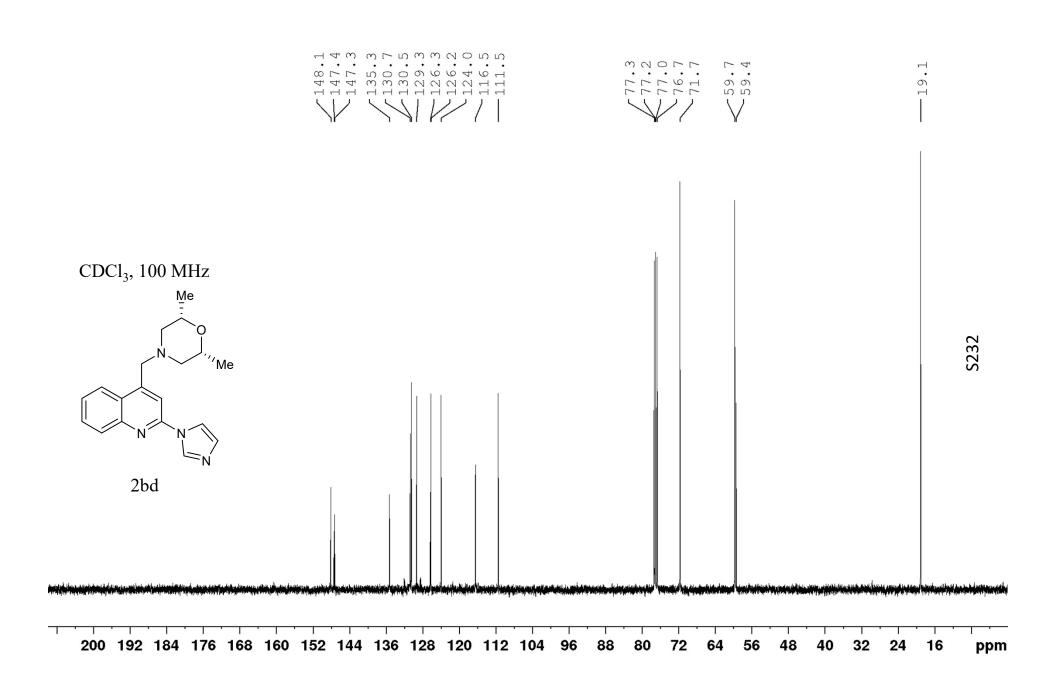


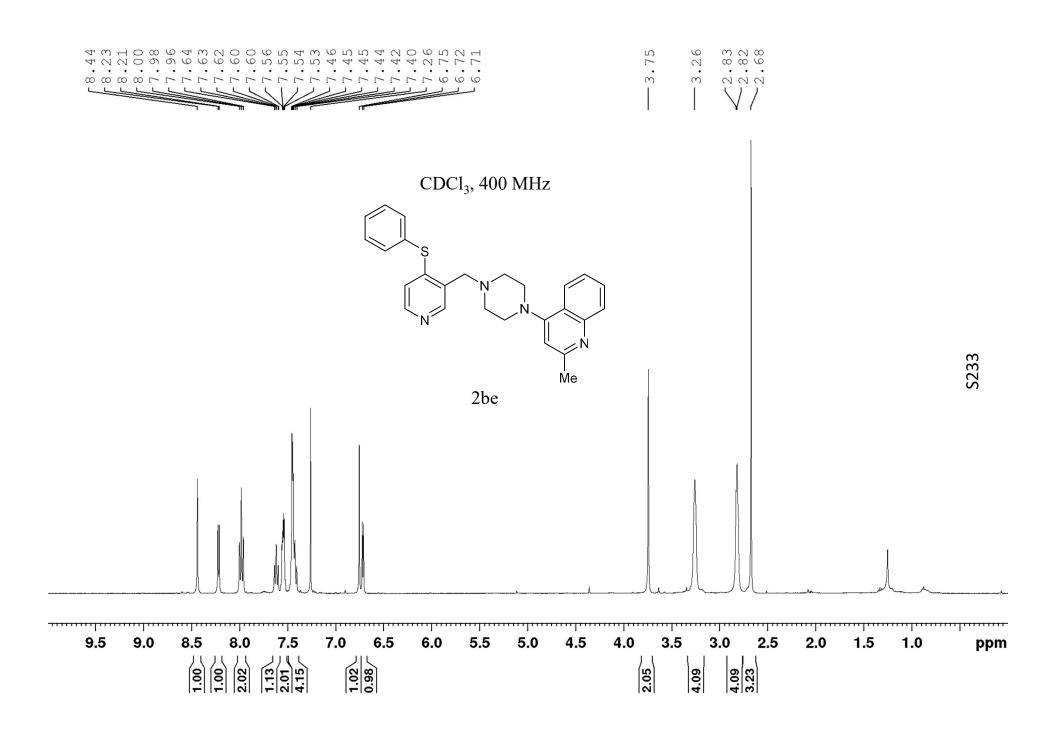


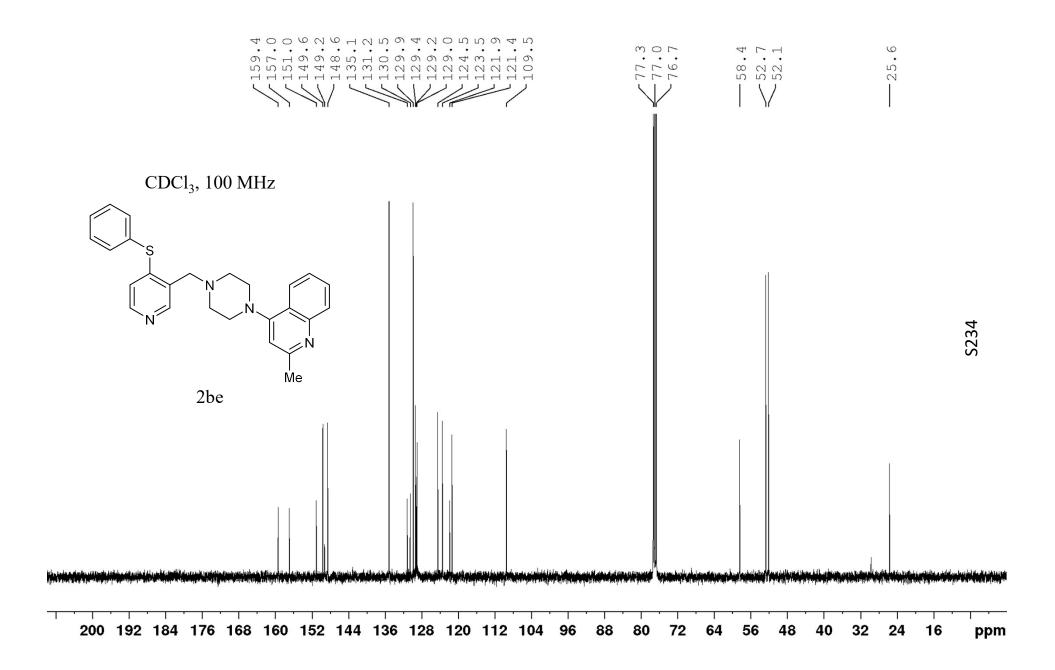


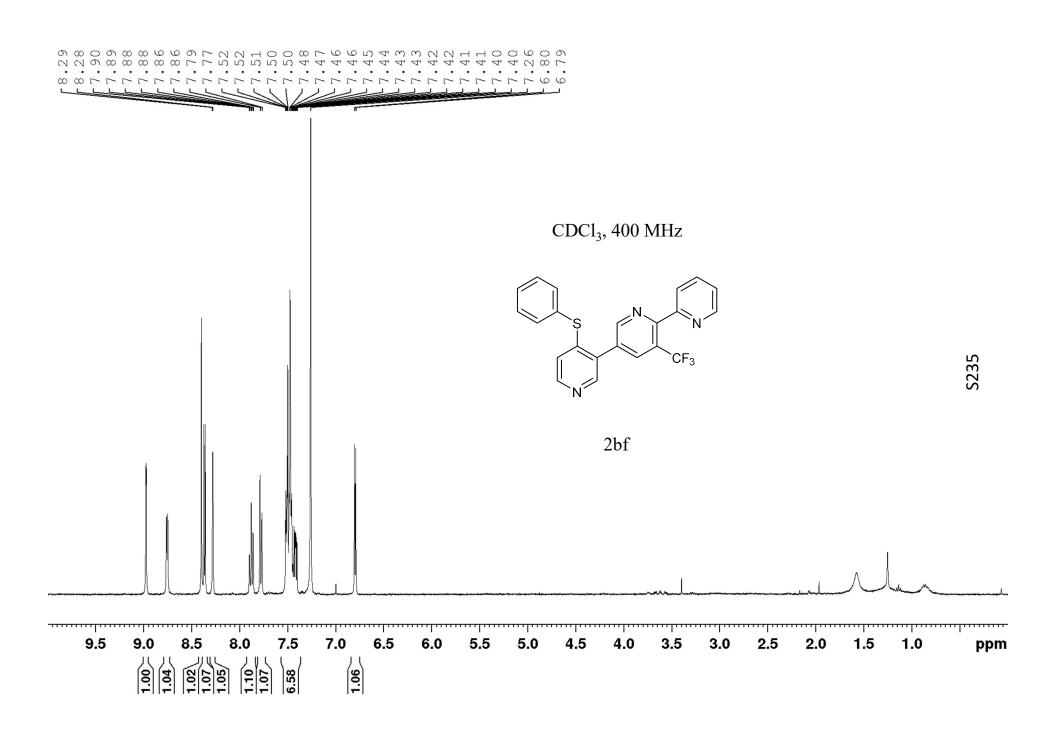


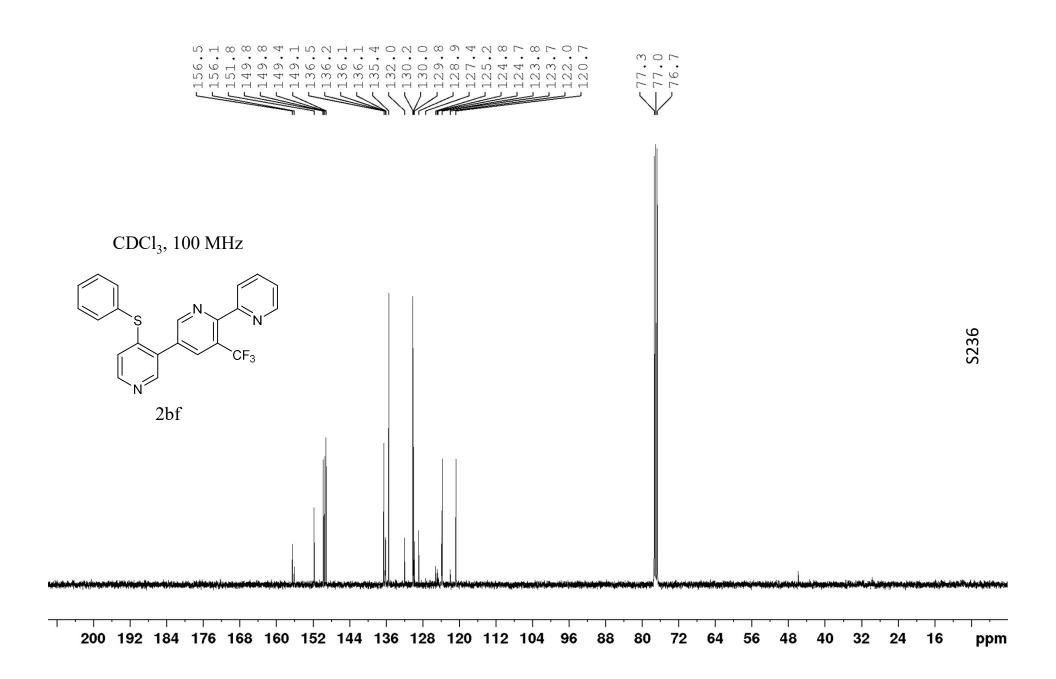


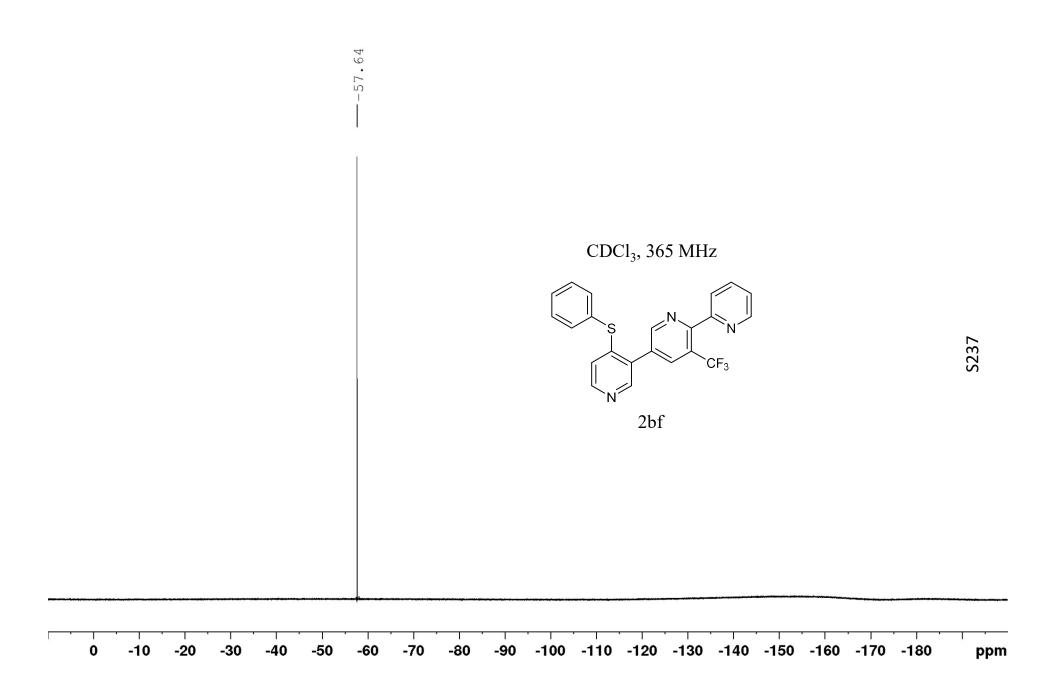


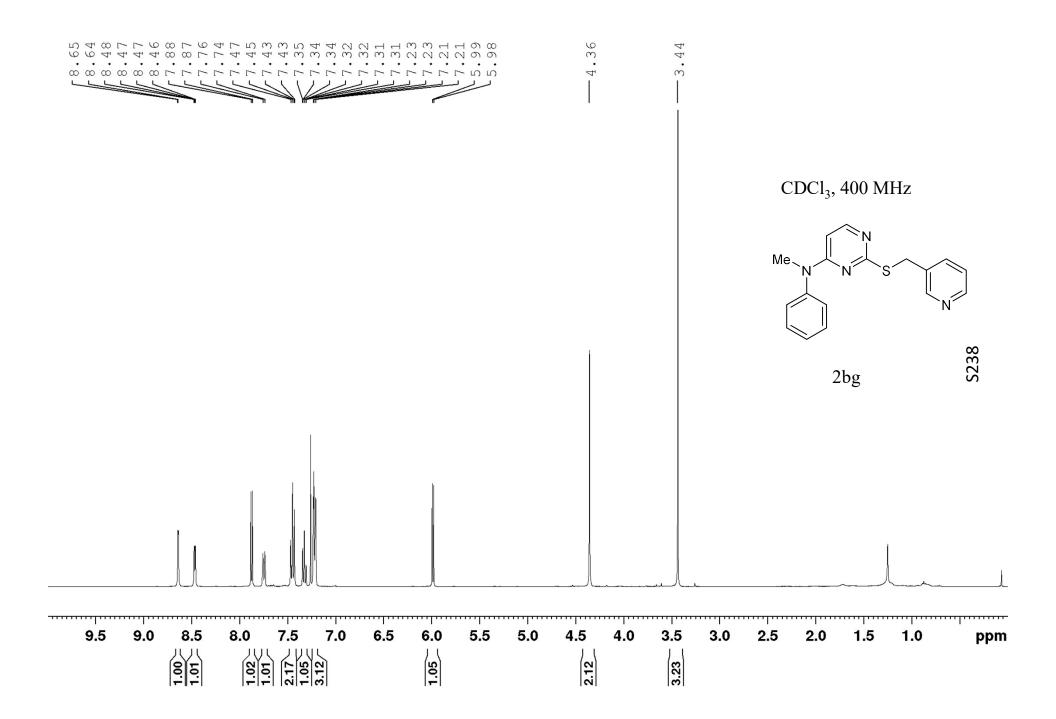


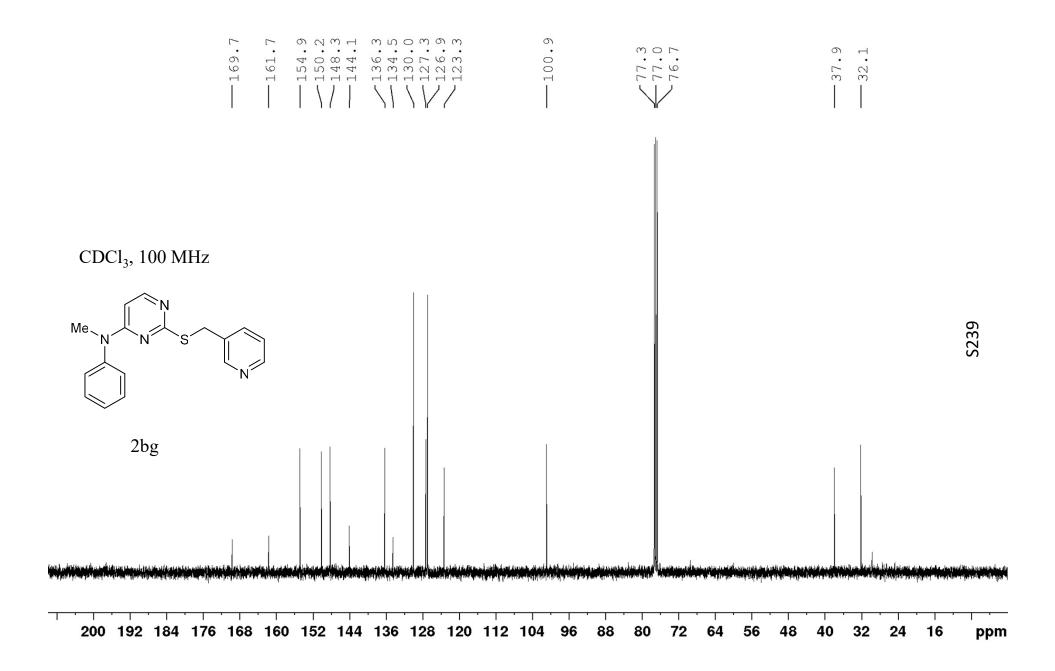


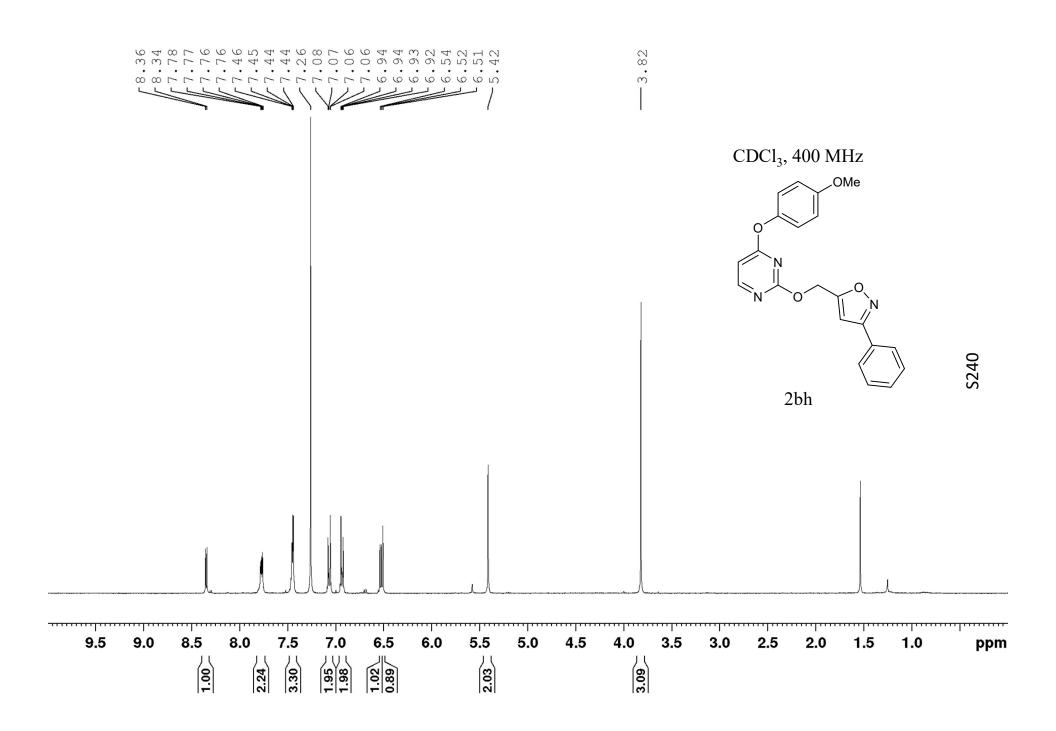


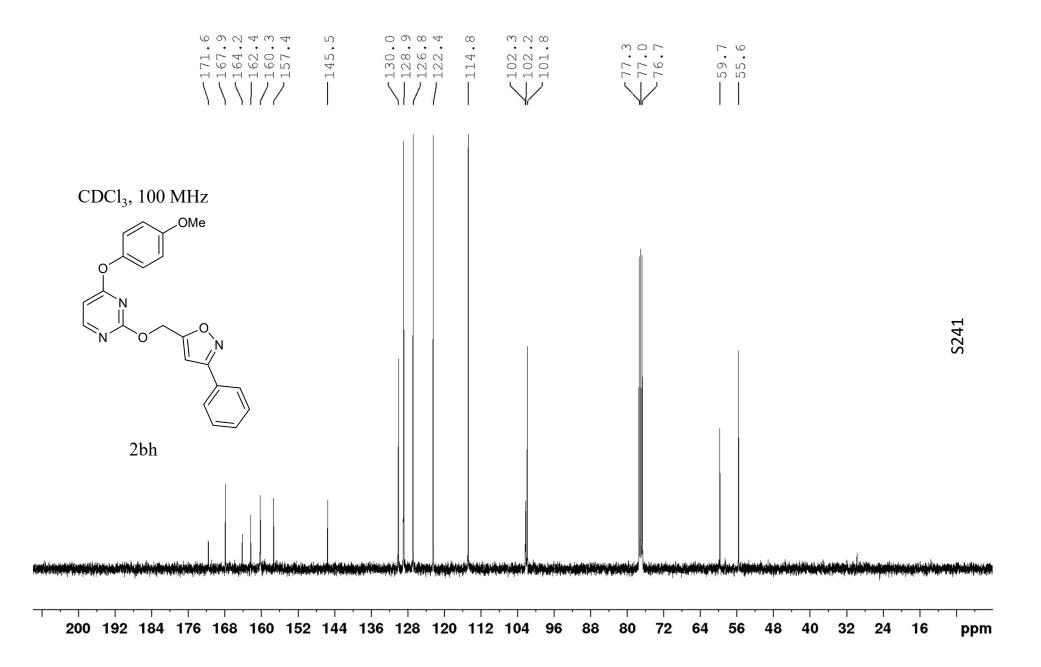


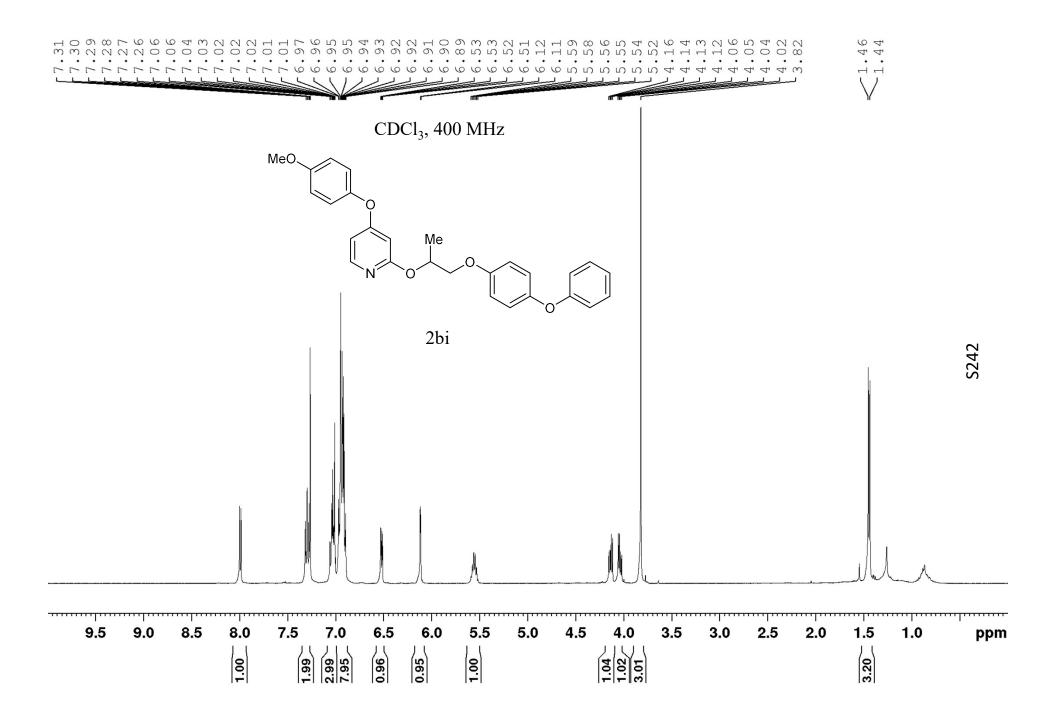


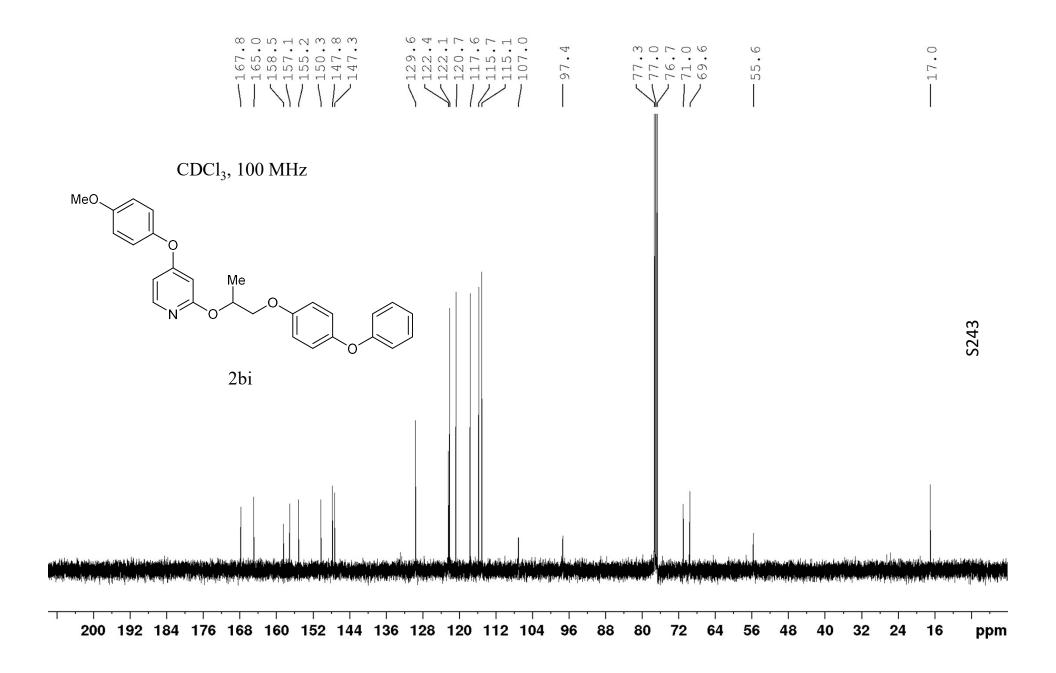


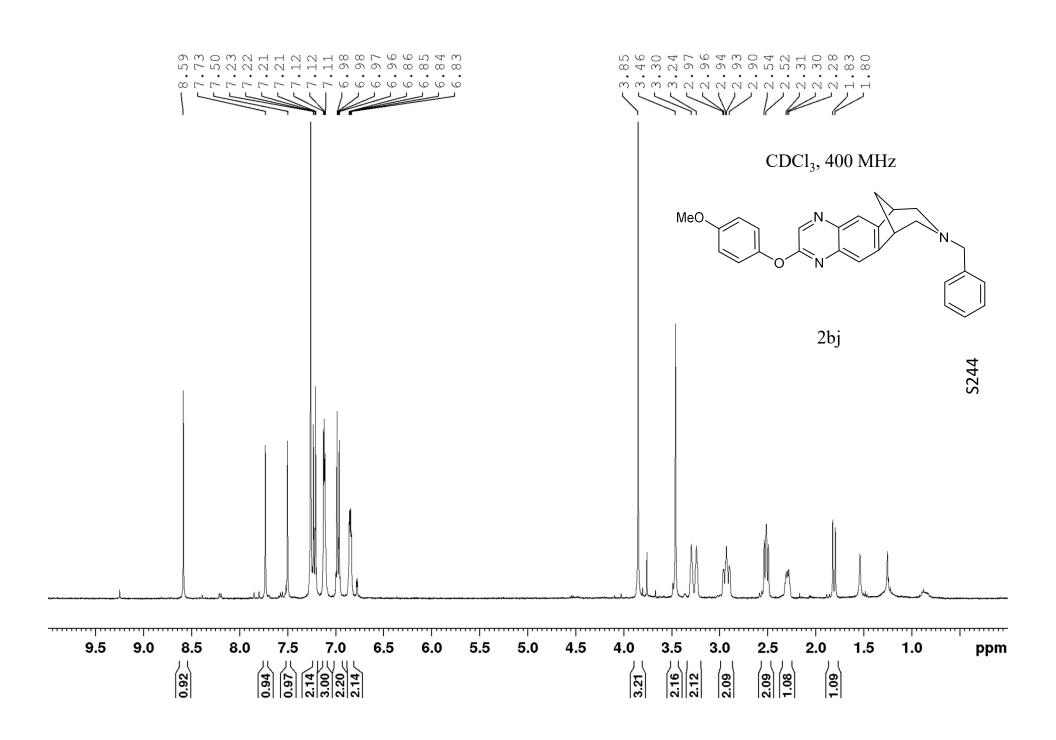


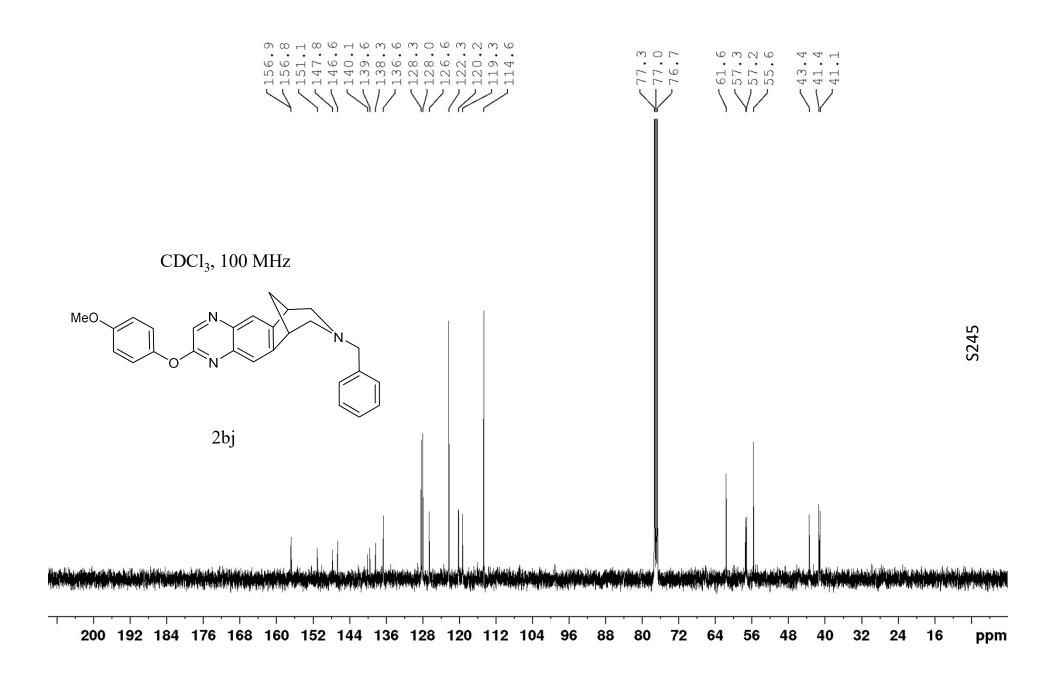


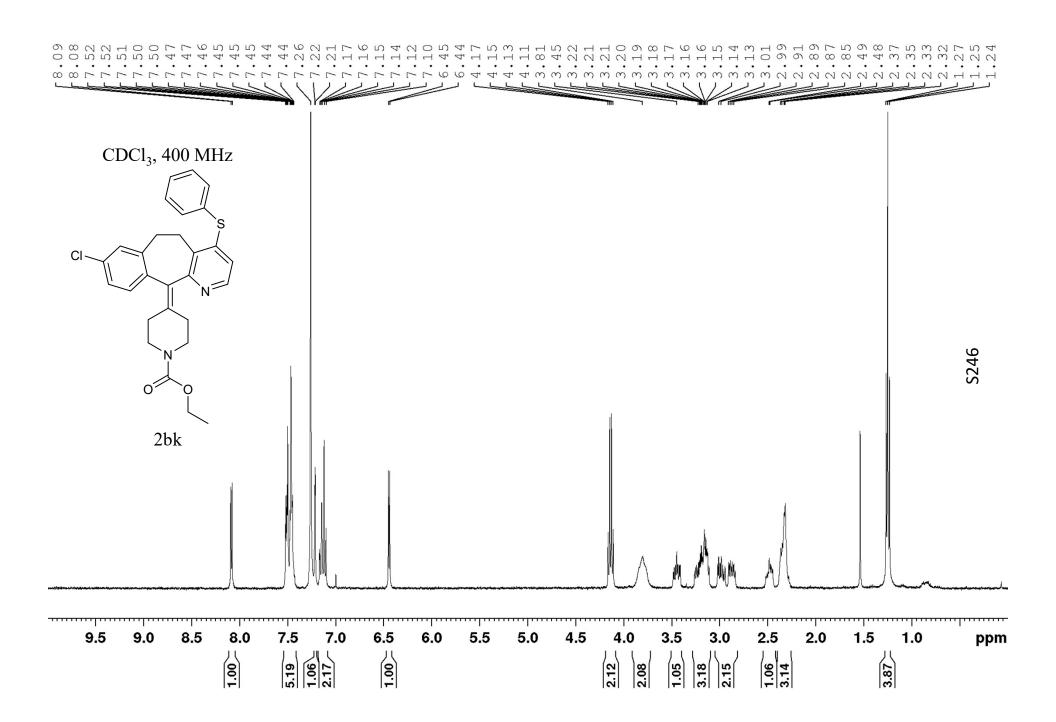


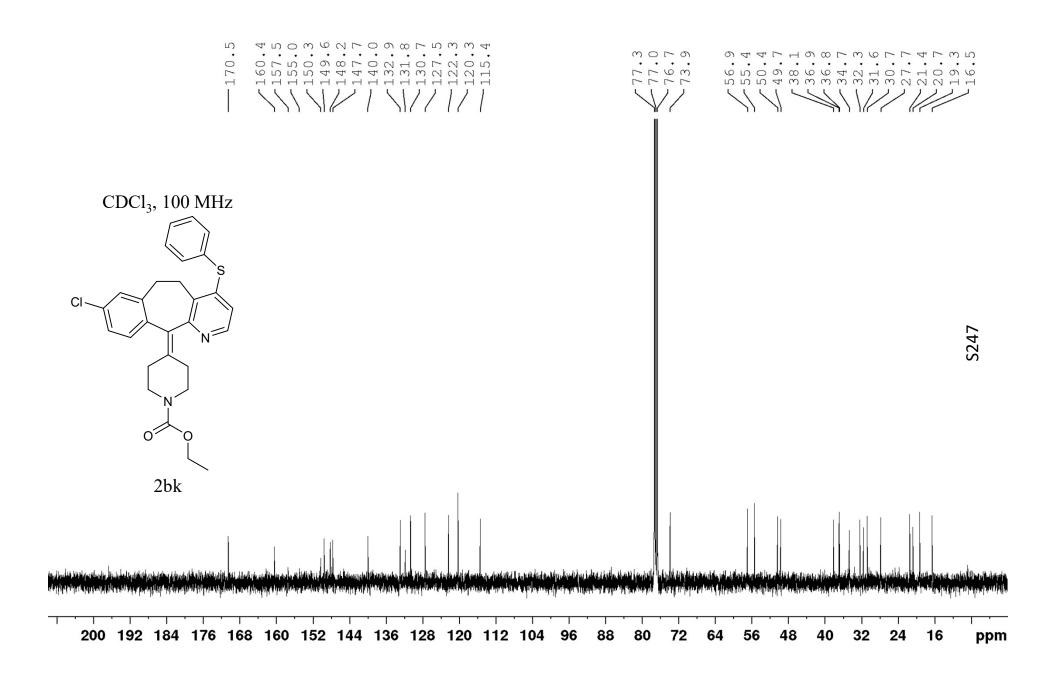


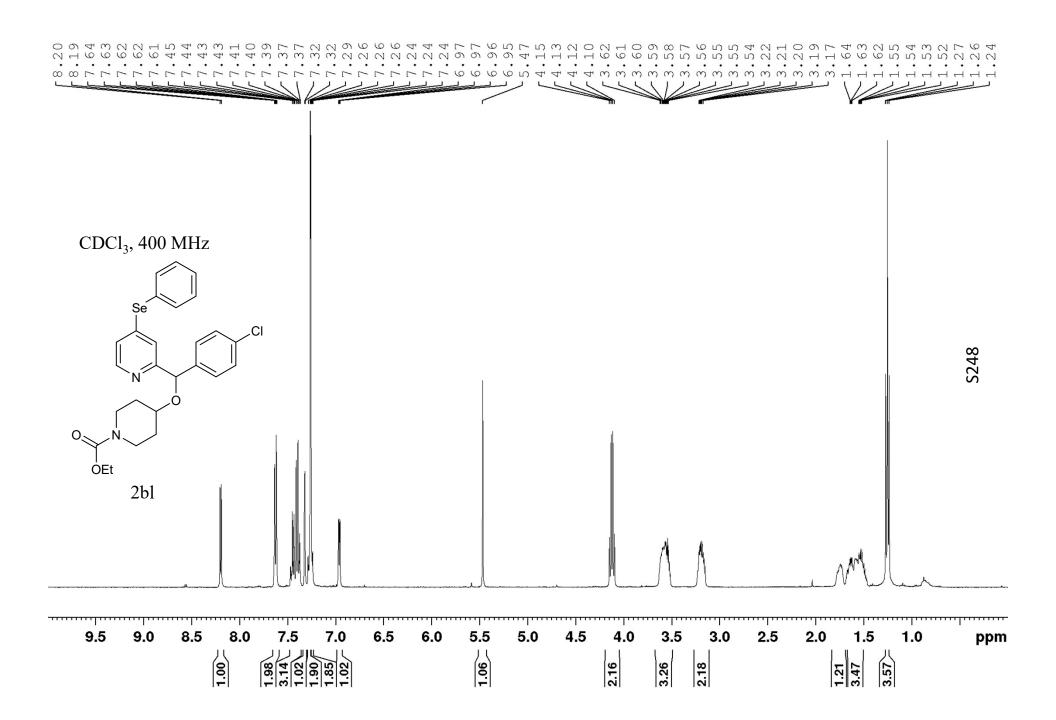


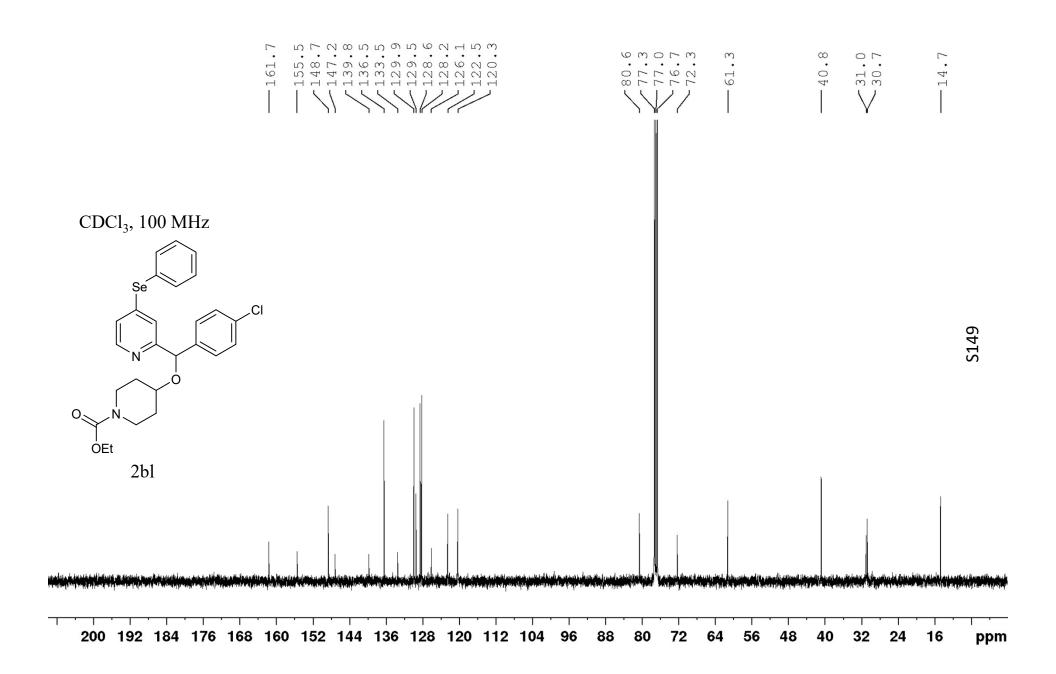


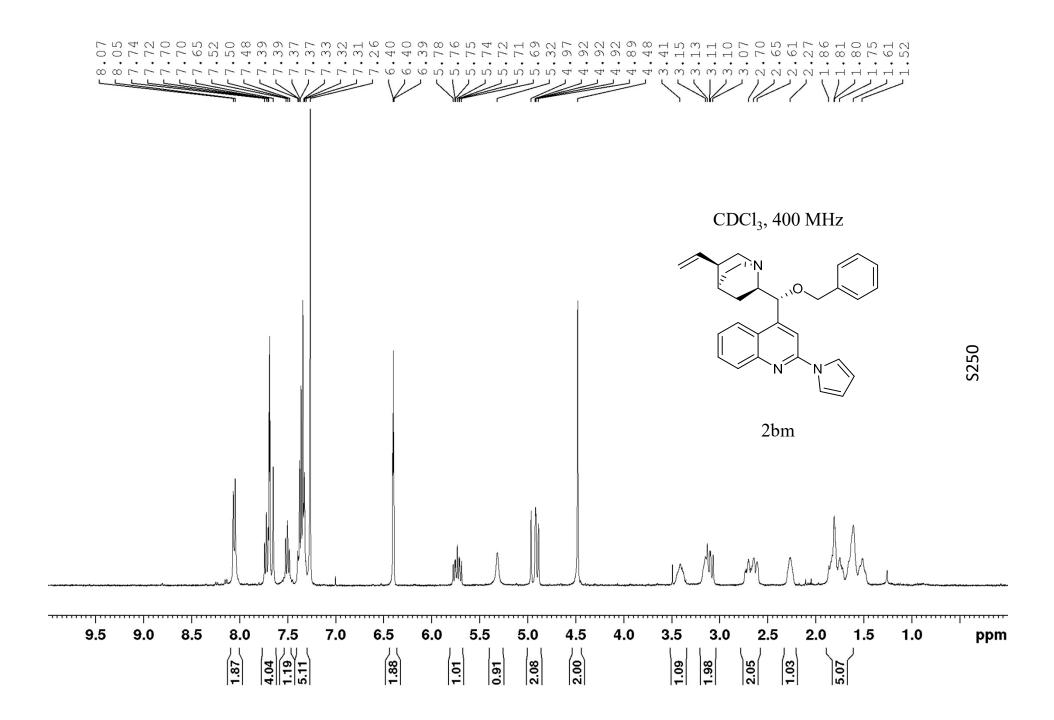


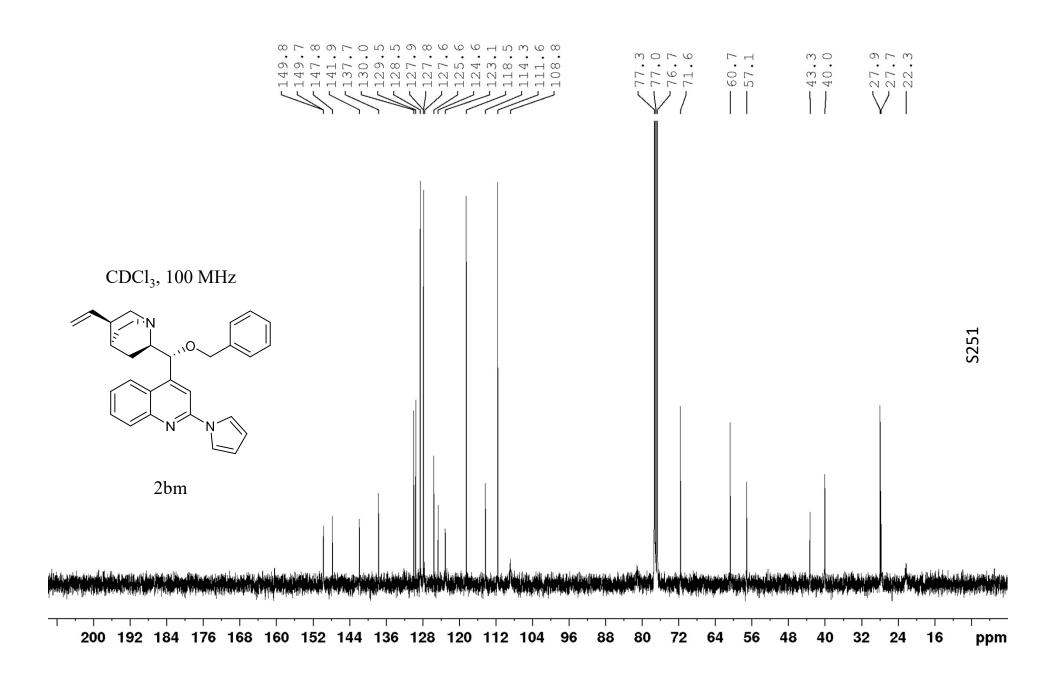


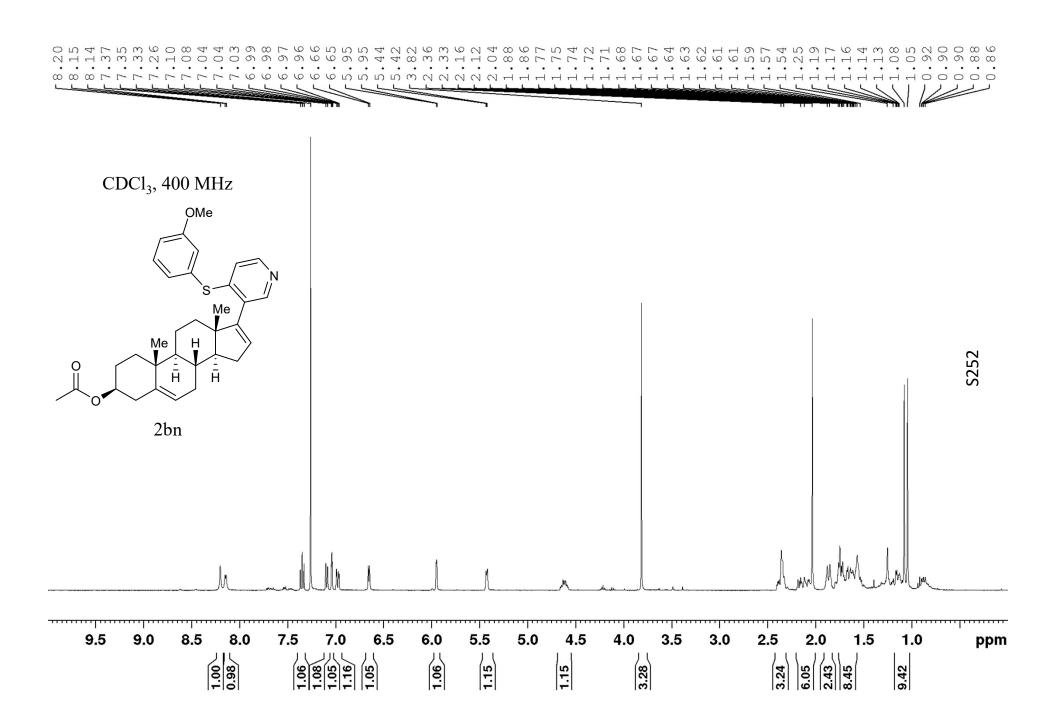


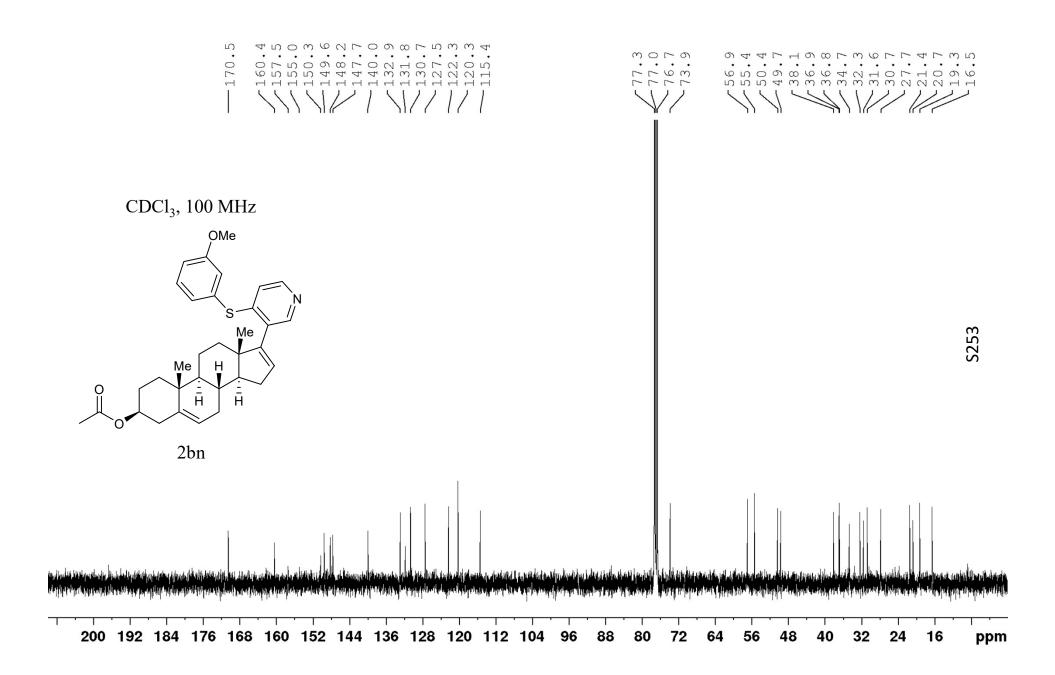


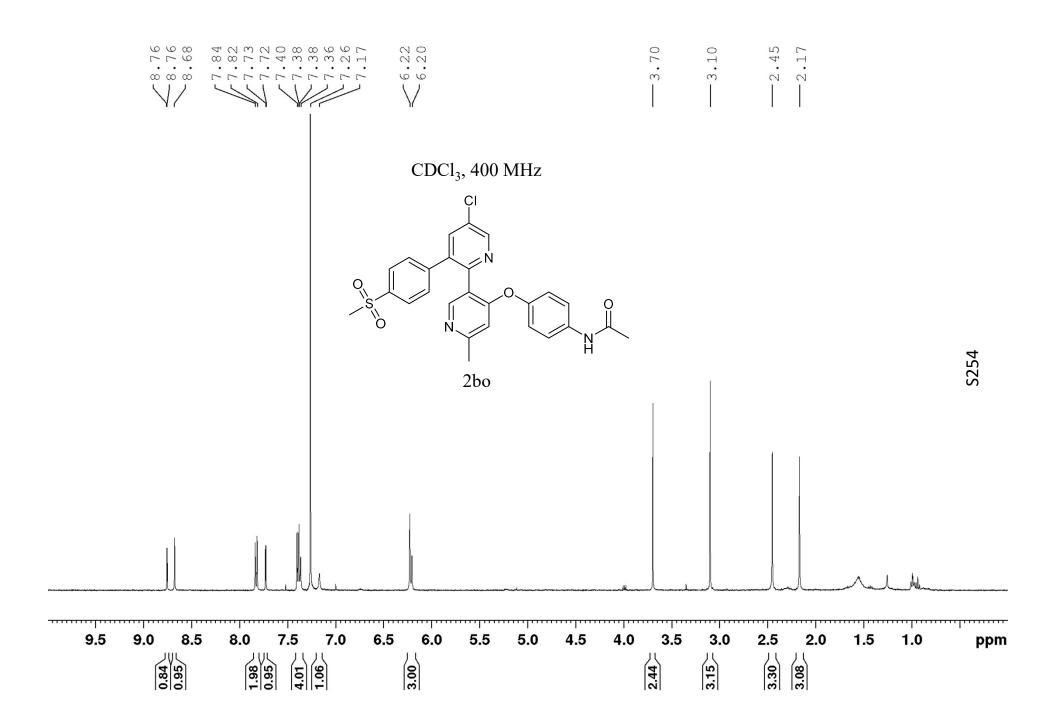


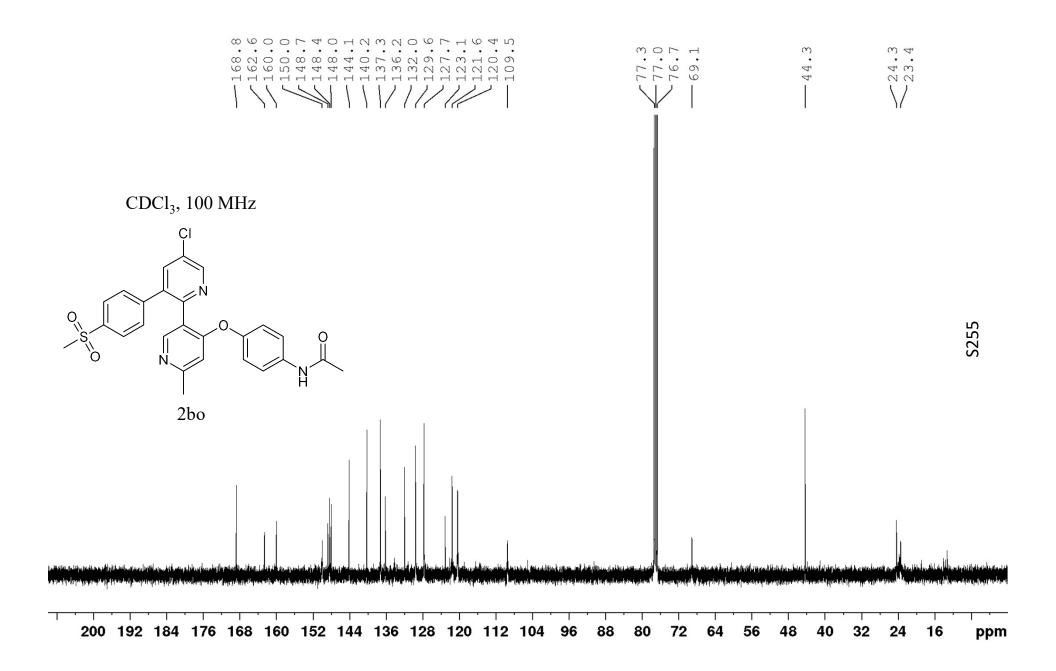


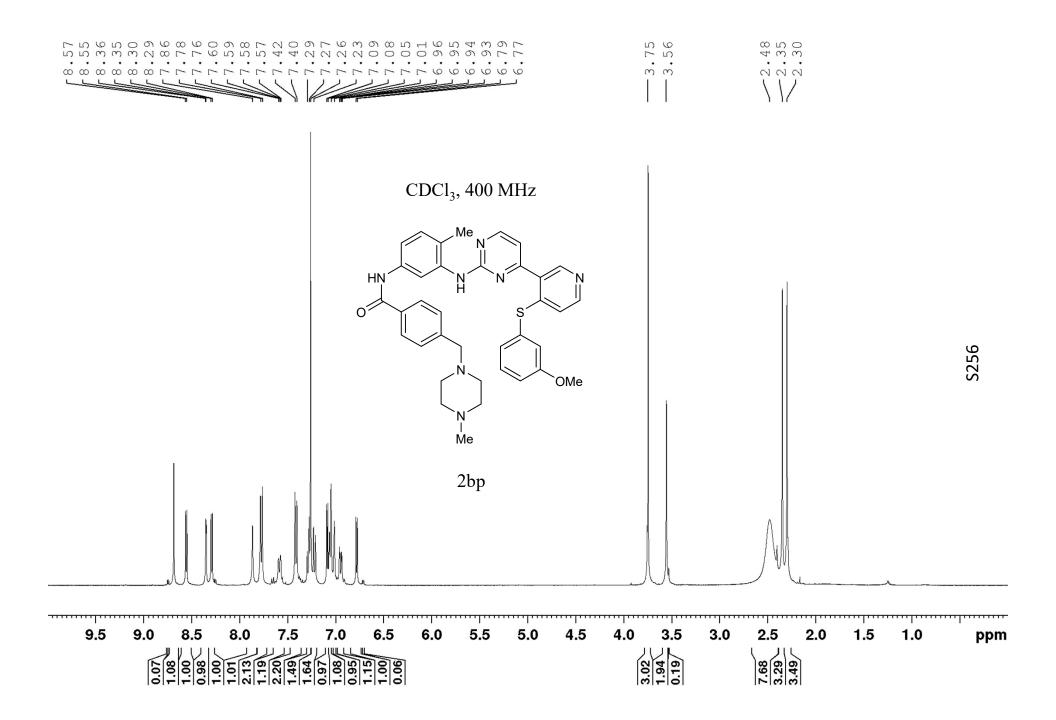


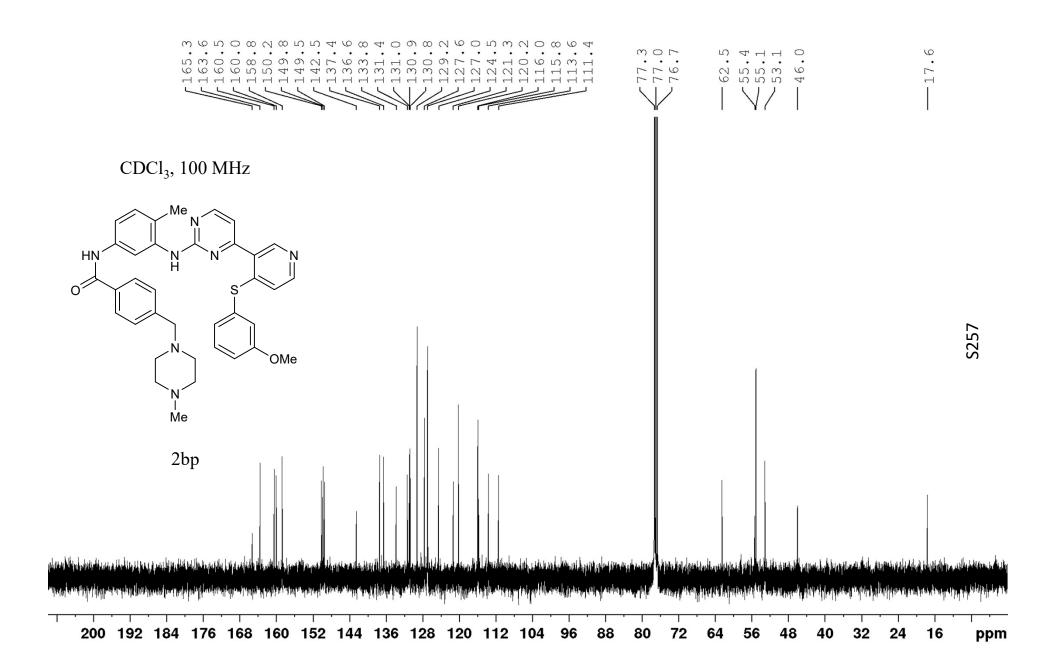


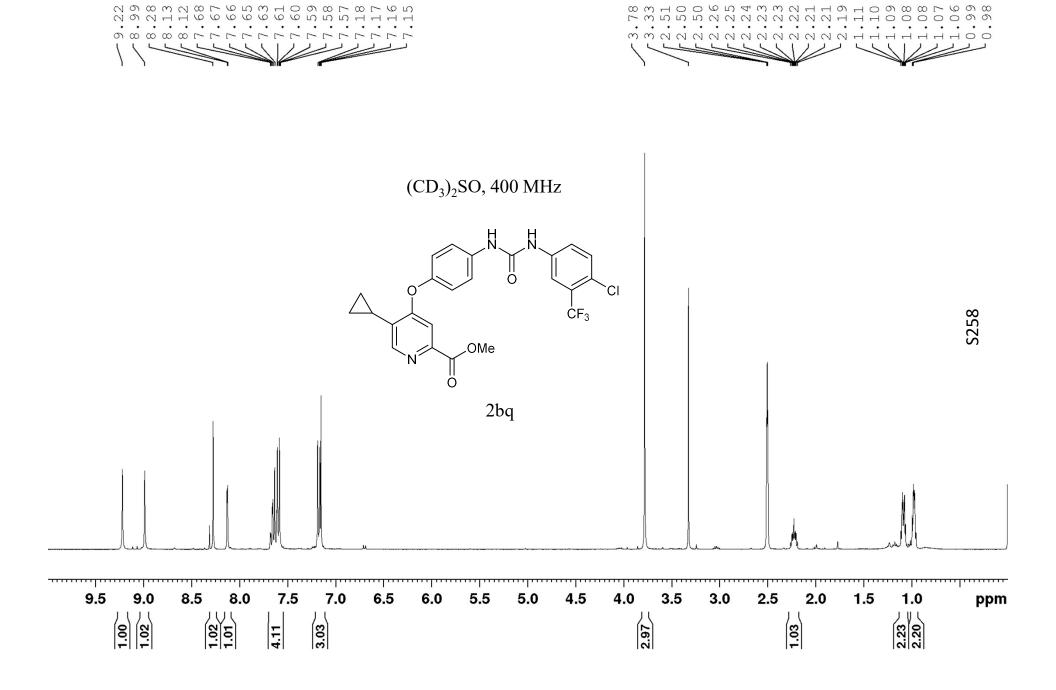


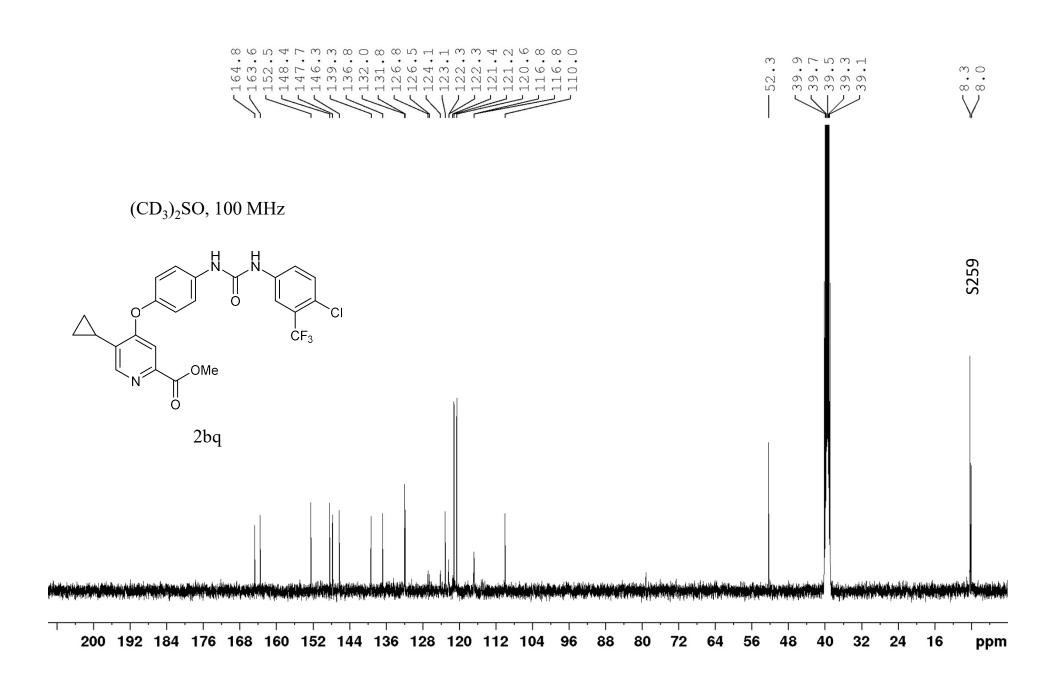


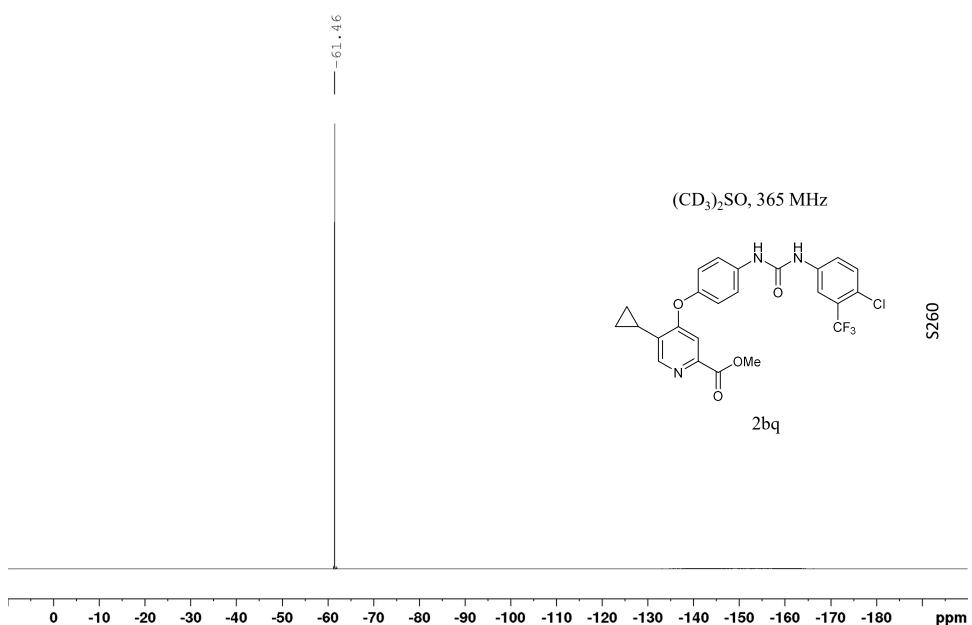












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