

## **Application of Coumarin Dyes for Organic Photoredox Catalysis.**

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## Experimental Procedures

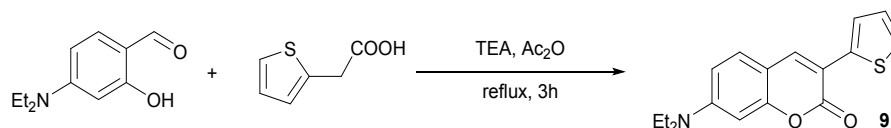
### General methods and materials

$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Mercury 400 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from TMS with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (deuteriochloroform:  $\delta$  = 7.27 ppm; dimethyl sulfoxide- $d_6$ :  $\delta$  = 2.50 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = duplet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = double duplet, dt = double triplet, bs = broad signal, m = multiplet, quint = quintet), coupling constants (Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded on Varian MR400 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from TMS with the solvent as the internal standard (deuteriochloroform:  $\delta$  = 77.0 ppm; dimethyl sulfoxide- $d_6$ :  $\delta$  = 39.5 ppm). LC-electrospray ionization mass spectra (ESI-MS) were obtained with Agilent Technologies MSD1100 single-quadrupole mass spectrometer. Chromatographic purification was done with 240-400 mesh silica gel. Purification on preparative thin layer chromatography was done on Merck TLC silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub>.

All reactions were set up under an argon atmosphere in oven-dried glassware using standard Schlenk techniques. Synthesis grade solvents were used as purchased and the reaction mixtures were degassed by four cycles of freeze-pump-thaw.

Coumarins **8** was prepared according to literature procedure.<sup>[1]</sup>

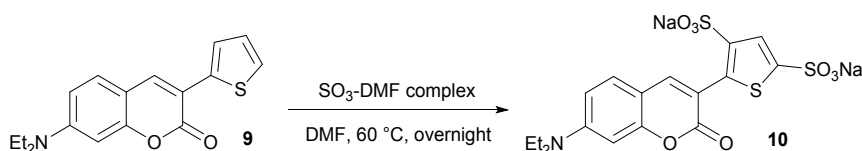
## Synthesis of coumarin 9



In a one necked round bottom flask (50 mL) equipped with magnetic stirring bar, condenser and glass stoppers, thiophene acetic acid (5.5 mmol, 0.780 mg), 4-(diethylamino)-salicylaldehyde (8.5 mmol, 1.64 g) were dissolved in acetic anhydride (20 mL). Triethylamine (10.5 mmol, 1.46 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at reflux for three hours. The reaction was cooled down at room temperature, water was added, the organic material was extracted with AcOEt (3 x 50 mL) and the organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, cyclohexane to cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 7/3) to afford **9** as yellow solid (46%, 2.5 mmol, 0.760 g). Spectroscopic properties were according to those reported in literature.<sup>[2]</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ = 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 1.1, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.07 (dd, *J* = 3.7, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 2.5, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 1.20 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ = 160.6, 155.6, 150.6, 137.6, 136.9, 128.9, 127.3, 125.6, 124.8, 114.8, 109.3, 108.8, 97.1, 44.9 (2C), 12.6 (2C).

## Synthesis of coumarin 10

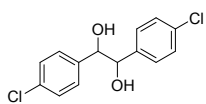


Coumarin **10** was prepared following reported procedure on coumarin **9**.<sup>[3]</sup> A two necked round bottom flask (100 mL) equipped with stirring bar, glass stopper and vacuum adapter was flame dried under an Argon atmosphere. The flask was charged with **9** (1.2 mmol, 0.360 g) and dissolved in anhydrous N,N-dimethylformamide (30 mL). Sulfur trioxide N,N-dimethylformamide complex (48 mmol, 7.3 g) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred overnight at 60°C under Argon, then cooled to room temperature. Diethyl ether (400 mL) was slowly added under stirring. Two phases were formed: the viscous oil was decanted, and the upper layer was removed. The viscous oil was taken up in aqueous saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and purified by reverse phase chromatography (elution gradient: water to water/acetonitrile 8/2) to give the product as a yellow solid (33%, 0.4 mmol, 0.200 g).

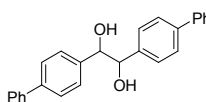
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O, 25°C): δ = 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 3.38 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 5H), 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 7H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O, 25°C): δ = 162.8, 155.7, 152.0, 146.5, 142.6, 139.5, 139.1, 130.3, 128.4, 110.3, 108.0, 107.6, 96.0, 44.6 (2C), 11.7 (2C).

## General procedure for photoredox pinacol coupling of aldehyde, ketones and imines.

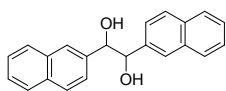
A dry 10 mL Schlenk tube, equipped with a Rotaflo stopcock, magnetic stirring bar and an argon supply tube, was charged in order and under argon with the photocatalyst **10** (5 mol%, 0.01 mmol, 5.0 mg), substrate (0.2 mmol) and DMF (1.0 mL). The reaction mixture was then subjected to a freeze-pump-thaw procedure (three cycles) and the vessel refilled with argon. Then Et<sub>3</sub>N was added (0.8 mmol, 4 equiv., 112 µL). The reaction was irradiated with 16W blue LEDs (approx. 10 cm distance) and stirred for 36 h. After that the reaction mixture was diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL) extracted with AcOEt (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Two identical reactions were performed for each substrate and the crudes were reunite before purification. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>) to afford the title compounds in the stated yields.



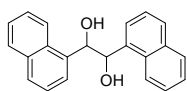
**(7a)**: brown oil; 66% (0.07 mmol, 0.019 g); d.r. = 1.1:1 (*d/l*-**7a**:*meso*-**7a**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6a** (0.2 mmol, 0.028 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1.1:1 ratio (*d/l*-**7a**:*meso*-**7a**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.24 (*meso*, m, 4H), 7.22–7.17 (*d/l*, m, 4H), 7.11–7.06 (*meso*, m, 4H), 7.03–6.98 (*d/l*, m, 4H), 4.82 (*meso*, s, 2H), 4.60 (*d/l*, s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 137.9 (*meso*, 2C), 137.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 133.8 (4C), 128.4 (*meso*, 4C), 128.3 (*d/l*, 4C), 128.3 (8C), 78.5 (2C), 77.1 (2C); ESI-MS *m/z*: 265.0 [M-OH]<sup>+</sup>, 305.1 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.



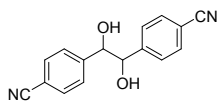
**(7b)**: yellowish solid; 50% (0.05 mmol, 0.018 g); d.r. = 1:1 (*d/l*-**7b**:*meso*-**7b**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6b** (0.2 mmol, 0.036 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:1.7 ratio (*d/l*-**7b**:*meso*-**7b**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.66–7.57 (m, 8H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 6H), 7.46–7.34 (m, 10H), 7.34–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 5.40–5.35 (*meso*, m, 2H), 5.29–5.24 (*d/l*, m, 2H), 4.69–4.65 (*meso*, m, 2H), 4.62–4.58 (*d/l*, m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 142.2 (4C), 140.3 (4C), 138.8 (4C), 129.3 (*meso*, 2C), 129.2 (*d/l*, 2C), 128.4 (*meso*, 2C), 128.2 (*d/l*, 2C), 127.6 (4C), 126.9 (*meso*, 2C), 126.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 126.1 (*meso*, 2C), 126.0 (*d/l*, 2C), 77.4 (*meso*, 2C), 77.2 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS *m/z*: 349.1 [M-OH]<sup>+</sup>, 367.3 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>.



**(7c)**: white solid; 95% (0.095 mmol, 0.029 g); d.r. = 1:2.46 (*d/l*-**7c**:*meso*-**7c**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6c** (0.2 mmol, 0.031 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:2.46 ratio (*d/l*-**7c**:*meso*-**7c**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.89–7.77 (m, 8H), 7.77–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.71–7.64 (m, 6H), 7.52–7.44 (m, 3H), 7.44–7.37 (m, 6H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 5.58–5.53 (*meso*, m, 2H), 5.43–5.40 (*d/l*, m, 2H), 4.93–4.88 (*meso*, m, 2H), 4.85–4.82 (*d/l*, m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 141.1 (*meso*, 2C), 140.1 (*d/l*, 2C), 132.5 (*meso*, 2C), 132.4 (*d/l*, 2C), 132.2 (*meso*, 2C), 132.1 (*d/l*, 2C), 127.6 (*meso*, 2C), 127.6 (*d/l*, 2C), 127.4 (*meso*, 2C), 127.3 (*d/l*, 2C), 126.6 (*meso*, 2C), 126.5 (*d/l*, 2C), 126.0 (*meso*, 2C), 125.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.7 (*meso*, 2C), 125.7 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.6 (*meso*, 4C), 125.3 (*d/l*, 4C), 77.4 (*meso*, 2C), 77.1 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS *m/z*: 297.1 [M-OH]<sup>+</sup>, 337.1 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.

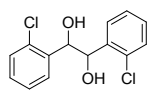


**(7d)**: yellow solid; 60% (0.06 mmol, 0.019 g); d.r. = 1:1 (*d/l*-**7d**:*meso*-**7d**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6d** (0.2 mmol, 27  $\mu$ L), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 3/1) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:2.6 ratio (*d/l*-**7d**:*meso*-**7d**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 8.13 (*d/l*, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (*meso*, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (*d/l*, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.79–7.74 (m, 4H), 7.64–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.48–7.26 (m, 14H), 5.67 (*meso*, s, 2H), 5.63 (*d/l*, s, 2H); 5.57 (*meso*, s, 2H), 5.42 (*d/l*, s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 136.0 (*meso*, 2C), 135.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 133.6 (*meso*, 2C), 133.5 (*d/l*, 2C), 131.4 (*d/l*, 2C), 130.8 (*meso*, 2C), 128.7 (*d/l*, 2C), 128.6 (*meso*, 2C), 128.5 (4C), 125.9 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.7 (*meso*, 2C), 125.4 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.3 (*meso*, 2C), 125.1 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.0 (*meso*, 2C), 124.9 (*d/l*, 2C), 124.8 (*meso*, 2C), 123.1 (*d/l*, 2C), 123.0 (*meso*, 2C), 74.4 (*meso*, 2C), 74.2 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS *m/z*: 297.1 [M-OH]<sup>+</sup>, 337.1 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.

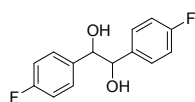


**(7e)**: yellowish sticky solid; 31% (0.03 mmol, 0.008 g); d.r. = 1.1:1 (*d/l*-**7e**:*meso*-**7e**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6e** (0.2 mmol, 0.026 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1.5:1 ratio (*d/l*-**7e**:*meso*-**7e**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.75–7.70 (*d/l*, m, 4H), 7.70–7.64 (*meso*, m, 4H), 7.44–7.39 (*d/l*, m, 4H), 7.35–7.31 (*meso*, m, 4H), 5.74–5.69 (*meso*, m, 2H), 5.69–5.71 (*d/l*, m, 2H), 4.81 (*meso*, d, *J* = 3.6, 2H), 4.67 (*d/l*, d, *J* = 3.3, 2H).

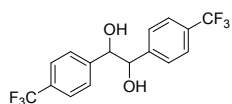
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 157.9 (*d/l*, 2C), 157.2 (*meso*, 2C), 140.8 (*d/l*, 4C), 140.7 (*meso*, 4C), 137.7 (*d/l*, 4C), 137.4 (*meso*, 4C), 128.5 (2C), 119.1 (*d/l*, 2C), 118.9 (*meso*, 2C), 85.6 (*d/l*, 2C), 85.4 (*meso*, 2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 247.0  $[\text{M-OH}]^+$ , 265.1  $[\text{M+H}]^+$ .



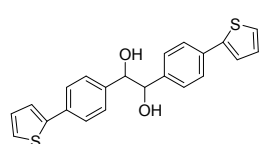
(**7f**): brown oil; 46% (0.046 mmol, 0.013 g); d.r. = 1.2:1 (*d/l*-**7f**:*meso*-**7f**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6f** (0.2 mmol, 22.5  $\mu\text{L}$ ), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 7/3) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1.1:1 ratio (*d/l*-**7f**:*meso*-**7f**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.67 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.29–7.24 (m, 6H), 7.22–7.14 (m, 6H), 5.59 (*d/l*, s, 2H), 5.35 (*meso*, s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 137.2 (2C), 136.4 (2C), 133.3 (2C), 132.6 (2C), 129.5 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 128.9 (2C), 128.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 128.7 (*meso*, 2C), 126.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 126.4 (*meso*, 2C), 73.0 (*meso*, 2C), 72.2 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 265.0  $[\text{M-OH}]^+$ , 305.1  $[\text{M+Na}]^+$ .



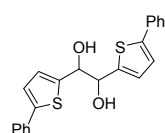
(**7g**): yellowish sticky solid; 45% (0.045 mmol, 0.012 g); d.r. = 1:1 (*d/l*-**7g**:*meso*-**7g**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6g** (0.2 mmol, 21  $\mu\text{L}$ ), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 9/1) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 2:1 ratio (*d/l*-**7g**:*meso*-**7g**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.17–7.12 (m, 4H), 7.07–7.01 (m, 4H), 6.99–6.87 (m, 8H), 4.81 (*meso*, s, 2H), 4.61 (*d/l*, s, 2H), 2.90 (*d/l*, bs, 2H), 2.30 (*meso*, s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 162.5 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 246.4 Hz, 2C), 162.4 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 246.4 Hz, 2C), 135.3 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 3.14 Hz, 2C), 135.2 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 3.12 Hz, 2C), 128.7 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 8.04 Hz, 4C), 128.6 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 8.11 Hz, 4C), 115.1 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 21.40 Hz, 4C), 115.0 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 21.43 Hz, 4C), 78.7 (2C);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (377 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = -112.84 (*d/l*, td,  $J$  = 8.6, 4.5 Hz, 2F), -112.92 (*meso*, td,  $J$  = 8.5, 4.3 Hz, 2F); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 233.0  $[\text{M-OH}]^+$ , 273.0  $[\text{M+Na}]^+$ .



(**7h**): pale yellow sticky solid; 61% (0.06 mmol, 0.021 g); d.r. = 1.2:1 (*d/l*-**7h**:*meso*-**7h**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6h** (0.2 mmol, 28  $\mu\text{L}$ ), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 6/4) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1.3:1 ratio (*d/l*-**7h**:*meso*-**7h**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.54–7.48 (m, 8H), 7.27–7.21 (m, 8H), 4.94 (*meso*, s, 2H), 4.73 (*d/l*, s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 143.3 (*meso*, q,  $J$  = 1 Hz, 2C), 143.1 (*d/l*, q,  $J$  = 1 Hz, 2C), 130.4 (*meso*, q,  $J$  = 32 Hz, 4C), 130.3 (*d/l*, q,  $J$  = 32 Hz, 4C), 127.3 (*meso*, 2C), 127.2 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.2 (*meso*, q,  $J$  = 4 Hz, 2C), 125.0 (*d/l*, q,  $J$  = 3 Hz, 2C), 124.0 (*meso*, q,  $J$  = 270 Hz, 2C), 123.9 (*d/l*, q,  $J$  = 270 Hz, 2C), 78.3 (*meso*, 2C), 77.1 (*d/l*, 2C);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (377 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = -61.4 (6F), -61.4 (6F); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 333.0  $[\text{M-OH}]^+$ , 351.1  $[\text{M+H}]^+$ .

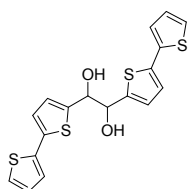


(**7i**): brownish solid; 61% (0.06 mmol, 0.023 g); d.r. = 1:1.5 (*d/l*-**7i**:*meso*-**7i**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6i** (0.2 mmol, 0.037 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:1.5 ratio (*d/l*-**7i**:*meso*-**7i**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.58–7.42 (m, 16H), 7.29 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 4H), 7.19–7.07 (m, 8H), 5.48–5.43 (*meso*, m, 2H), 5.36–5.32 (*d/l*, m, 2H), 4.66–4.62 (*meso*, m, 2H), 4.62–4.59 (*d/l*, m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 143.9 (*meso*, 2C), 143.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 143.1 (*meso*, 2C), 142.2 (*d/l*, 2C), 132.6 (4C), 128.84 (4C), 128.5 (*meso*, 4C), 128.3 (*d/l*, 4C), 125.6 (4C), 124.8 (*meso*, 4C), 124.7 (*d/l*, 4C), 123.7 (*meso*, 2C), 123.7 (*d/l*, 2C), 77.5 (*meso*, 2C), 77.1 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 361.1  $[\text{M-OH}]^+$ , 401.3  $[\text{M+Na}]^+$ .

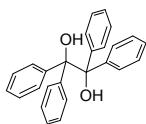


(**7j**): brownish solid; 50% (0.05 mmol, 0.019 g); d.r. = 1:1.3 (*d/l*-**7j**:*meso*-**7j**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6j** (0.2 mmol, 0.037 g), **10** (0.01

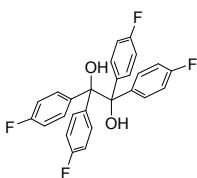
mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (dichloromethane/ethyl acetate, 97/3) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:1.3 ratio (*d/l*-**7j**:*meso*-**7j**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.62–7.55 (m, 10H), 7.42–7.34 (m, 8H), 7.31 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 3.6, 2H), 7.29–7.22 (m, 4H), 6.97 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 3.7, 2H), 6.82 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 3.7, 2H), 6.01–5.98 (*meso*, m, 2H), 5.98–5.96 (*d/l*, m, 2H), 4.93–4.89 (*meso*, m, 2H), 4.89–4.84 (*d/l*, m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ): 146.4 (4C), 145.4 (4C), 141.8 (4C), 134.1 (4C), 134.0 (4C), 129.0 (4C), 127.2 (4C), 125.8 (*meso*, 2C), 125.7 (*d/l*, 2C), 124.9 (4C), 122.6 (4C), 73.5 (*meso*, 2C), 73.2 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 361.0 [ $\text{M-OH}$ ] $^+$ .



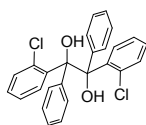
(**7k**): brownish solid; 50% (0.05 mmol, 0.019 g); d.r. = 1:3.7 (*d/l*-**7k**:*meso*-**7k**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **6k** (0.2 mmol, 0.039 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (dichloromethane/ethyl acetate, 6/1) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:3.7 ratio (*d/l*-**7k**:*meso*-**7k**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.45–7.43 (*d/l*, m, 2H), 7.43 (*meso*, dd,  $J$  = 5.1 Hz,  $J$  = 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (*d/l*, dd,  $J$  = 3.6 Hz,  $J$  = 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (*meso*, dd,  $J$  = 3.6 Hz,  $J$  = 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 7.07–7.02 (m, 6H), 6.91 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 3.7 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 3.7 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (m, 4H), 4.89 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 4.83 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ): 146.4 (*d/l*, 2C), 145.4 (*meso*, 2C), 137.5 (*meso*, 2C), 137.4 (*d/l*, 2C), 135.7 (*meso*, 2C), 135.6 (*d/l*, 2C), 128.6 (*meso*, 2C), 128.6 (*d/l*, 2C), 126.0 (*d/l*, 2C), 125.9 (*meso*, 2C), 125.3 (*meso*, 2C), 125.3 (*d/l*, 2C), 123.8 (*meso*, 2C), 123.8 (*d/l*, 2C), 123.3 (*meso*, 2C), 123.3 (*d/l*, 2C), 73.7 (*meso*, 2C), 73.5 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 373.0 [ $\text{M-OH}$ ] $^+$ .



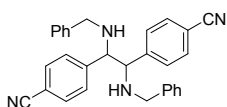
(**12a**): white solid; 58% (0.06 mmol, 0.021 g). The general procedure was applied using **11a** (0.2 mmol, 0.036 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 99/1).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta$  = 7.32–7.25 (m, 8H), 7.20–7.11 (m, 12H), 3.00 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 144.1 (4C), 128.5 (8C), 127.2 (8C), 126.9 (4C), 83.0 (2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 349.3 [ $\text{M-OH}$ ] $^+$ .



(**12b**): yellowish solid; 55% (0.05 mmol, 0.024 g). The general procedure was applied using **12b** (0.2 mmol, 0.044 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta$  = 7.24–7.20 (m, 8H), 6.89–6.83 (m, 8H), 2.83 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 161.7 (d,  $J$  = 247.4 Hz, 4C), 139.6 (d,  $J$  = 3.2 Hz, 4C), 130.2 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 8C), 114.2 (d,  $J$  = 21.1 Hz, 8C), 82.5 (2C);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (377 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C)  $\delta$  = -113.8 (4F); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 421.1 [ $\text{M-OH}$ ] $^+$ .

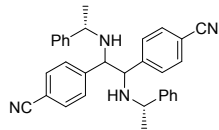


(**12c**): yellowish oil; 37% (0.04 mmol, 0.016 g); The two diastereoisomer present very similar NMR signal avoiding the determination of the d.r.. The general procedure was applied using **12c** (0.2 mmol, 0.043 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (n-hexane/diethyl ether, 95/5) as mixture of diastereoisomers.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.61 (d,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.40–7.36 (m, 4H), 7.34–7.19 (m, 10 H), 6.22 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 142.2 (2C), 140.9 (2C), 132.5 (2C), 129.5 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (4C), 128.0 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 127.1 (2C), 126.9 (4C), 72.7 (2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 417.3 [ $\text{M-OH}$ ] $^+$ .



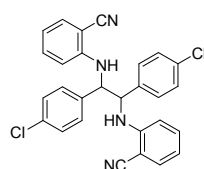
(**14a**): yellowish oil; 50% (0.05 mmol, 0.022 g); d.r. = 1:1.4 (*d/l*-**14a**:*meso*-**14a**) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signals at  $\delta$  = 3.43, 3.32. The general procedure was applied using **13a** (0.2 mmol, 0.044 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu$ L, 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/diethyl ether, 7/3) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:1.1 ratio (*d/l*-**11a**:*meso*-**11a**).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.57 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.47–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.30–7.25 (m, 6H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 8H), 7.18–7.13 (m, 4H), 7.12–7.06 (m, 4H), 7.04–6.99 (m, 6H), 3.84 (*meso*, s, 2H), 3.69 (*d/l*, s, 2H), 3.61 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 13.2 Hz, 2H), 3.56 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 13.6 Hz, 2H), 3.43 (*d/l*, d,  $J$  = 13.3 Hz, 2H), 3.32 (*meso*, d,  $J$  = 13.6 Hz, 2H);

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 146.3 (*meso*, 2C), 145.5 (*d/l*, 2C), 139.5 (*meso*, 2C), 139.3 (*d/l*, 2C), 132.0 (8C), 129.1 (4C), 128.6 (4C), 128.5 (4C), 128.4 (4C), 128.0 (4C), 127.9 (4C), 127.0 (4C), 118.6 (*meso*, 2C), 118.5 (*d/l*, 2C), 111.6 (*meso*, 2C), 111.3 (*d/l*, 2C), 67.8 (*meso*, 2C), 66.3 (*d/l*, 2C), 51.3 (*meso*, 2C), 51.1 (*d/l*, 2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 336.2  $[\text{M}-\text{BnNH}]^+$ .



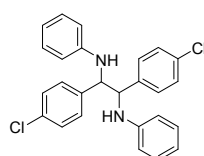
(**14b**): yellowish oil; 50% (0.05 mmol, 0.024 g); d.r. = 2.15:3.5:2:1 (*syn-14b:anti-14b:syn-14b*) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signals at  $\delta$  = 5.04, 4.09, 4.27. The general procedure was applied using **13b** (0.2 mmol, 0.047 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/diethyl

ether, 6/4) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 2.15:3.5:2:1 ratio (*syn-14b:anti-14b:syn-1b*).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta_{syn,anti}$  = 7.67–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.58–7.49 (m, 4H), 7.49–7.37 (m, 12H), 7.37–7.26 (m, 18H), 7.24–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.88 (m, 8H), 6.86–6.74 (m, 6H), 5.04 (*syn*, s, 2H), 4.27 (*syn*, s, 2H), 4.09 (*anti*, d, 1H), 3.97 (d,  $J$  = 4.01 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (*syn*, q,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (*syn*, q,  $J$  = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.62 (*anti*, q,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (*anti*, q,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.56 (d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, 6H), 1.45 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{syn,anti}$  = 146.8 (2C), 146.8 (2C), 146.7 (2C), 145.6 (2C), 145.3 (2C), 144.6, 144.5, 132.0 (4C), 131.9 (4C), 131.7 (2C), 131.6 (2C), 129.1 (4C), 128.7 (4C), 128.5 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.5 (4C), 128.4 (4C), 128.4 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 127.3 (2C), 127.0 (4C), 126.5 (4C), 126.4 (4C), 126.3 (4C), 118.7 (4C), 118.6 (2C), 111.2 (2C), 111.2 (2C), 111.0, 110.8, 66.8 (2C), 65.4 (2C), 65.1, 62.5, 56.0 (2C), 55.0 (2C), 54.9 (2C), 24.1 (2C), 23.2 (2C), 22.4 (2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 350.2  $[\text{M}-\text{PhCH}(\text{Me})\text{NH}]^+$ .



(**14c**): brownish solid; 54% (0.05 mmol, 0.026 g); d.r. = 1:1.1 (*d/l-14c:meso-14c*) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **13c** (0.2 mmol, 0.048 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (n-hexane/diethyl ether, 9/1) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:1.1 ratio (*d/l-14c:meso-14c*).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.40–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.30–7.18 (m,

12H), 7.04–6.97 (m, 8H), 6.71–6.68 (m, 4H), 6.36–6.34 (m, 4H), 5.26 (*meso*, m, 4H), 4.94 (*d/l* m, 4H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 148.4 (4C), 148.0 (4C), 134.8 (4C), 134.5 (4C), 134.2 (4C), 132.8 (4C), 129.2 (8C), 128.5 (8C), 118.2 (4C), 112.4 (4C), 97.4 (4C), 61.3 (4C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 483.1  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ .

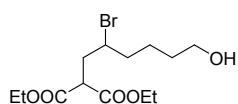


(**14d**): yellowish oil; 40% (0.04 mmol, 0.018 g); d.r. = 1:1 (*d/l-14d:meso-14d*) was determined by integration of benzylic CH  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal. The general procedure was applied using **13d** (0.2 mmol, 0.045 g), **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 g) and TEA (0.8 mmol, 112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4 eq). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (n-hexane/diethyl ether, 9/1) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 1:1.3 ratio (*d/l-14d:meso-14d*).

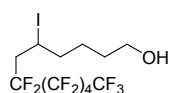
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 7.26–7.14 (m, 8H), 7.1–6.98 (m, 12H), 6.89 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 4H), 6.73–6.66 (m, 4H), 6.49 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 8H), 4.92 (*meso*, s, 2H), 4.53 (*d/l*, s, 2H), 4.47 (*meso*, s, 2H), 4.45 (*d/l*, s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta_{d/l,meso}$  = 146.5 (2C), 145.9 (2C), 138.2 (2C), 136.5 (2C), 133.6 (2C), 133.4 (2C), 129.3 (4C), 129.5 (4C), 128.8 (4C), 128.7 (4C), 128.7 (4C), 128.6 (4C), 118.6 (2C), 118.3 (2C), 114.1 (4C), 113.8 (4C), 63.5 (2C), 61.4 (2C); ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 447.2  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ .

### General procedure for photoredox ATRA reaction

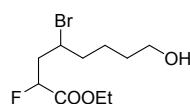
A dry 10 mL Schlenk tube, equipped with a Rotaflo Stopcock, magnetic stirring bar and an argon supply tube, was charged in order and under argon with the photocatalyst **9** (2.5 mol%, 0.005 mmol, 1.5 mg), EtOH (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ),  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ), alkyl halide (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv., or different if specified), olefin (0.4 mmol, 2 equiv., or different if specified). The reaction mixture was degassed *via* freeze pump thaw (x4), and the vessel refilled with argon. The reaction mixture was positioned approximately 10 cm from the light source (16 W blue LEDs). After vigorous stirring for 36 h, the mixture was transferred in a separator funnel and extracted with AcOEt (3 x 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the crude products. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) to afford the title compounds in the stated yields.



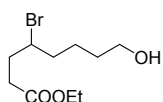
**(17a):** colorless oil; 85% (0.17 mmol, 0.058 g). The general procedure was applied using **16a** (0.2 mmol, 34  $\mu$ L), **15** (0.4 mmol, 48  $\mu$ L, 2 equiv.) and **9** (0.005 mmol, 0.0015 g). The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 7/3).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 4.29–4.09 (m, 4H), 4.03–3.93 (m, 1H), 3.75 (dd,  $J$  = 10.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (t,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (ddd,  $J$  = 14.7, 10.2, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (ddd,  $J$  = 14.8, 10.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.92–1.79 (m, 2H), 1.71–1.41 (m, 4H), 1.32–1.19 (m, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 168.9, 168.8, 62.5, 61.7, 61.6, 54.6, 50.5, 39.1, 37.8, 31.9, 23.7, 14.01, 13.98; HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrNaO}_5^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  361.0621, found 361.0624.



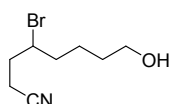
**(17b):** colorless oil; 35% (0.09 mmol, 0.049 g). The general procedure was applied using **16b** (0.4 mmol, 86  $\mu$ L, 2 equiv.), **15** (0.2 mmol, 24  $\mu$ L), **9** (0.005 mmol, 0.0015 g) and DMF/ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1/1) mixture as reaction solvent. The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 85/15). Spectroscopic properties were according to those reported in literature.<sup>[4]</sup>  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 4.39–4.32 (m, 1H), 3.69 (t,  $J$  = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 2.98–2.74 (m, 2H), 1.87–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.69–1.50 (m, 4H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 62.5, 41.7 (t,  $J$  = 20.9 Hz), 40.0 (d,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz), 31.5, 29.7, 26.0, 20.4.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (377 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = -79.59 (t,  $J$  = 10.0 Hz, 3F), -109.21– -114.58 (m, 2F), -120.56 (s, 2F), -121.63 (s, 2F), -122.40 (s, 2F), -124.56– -125.16 (m, 2F); Elemental Analysis: Found C, 26.3; H, 2.1%; Calc. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_{13}\text{IO}$ ; C, 26.4; H, 2.2%.



**(17c):** colorless oil; 65% (0.13 mmol, 0.037 g). The general procedure was applied using **16c** (0.6 mmol, 72  $\mu$ L, 3 eq.), **15** (0.2 mmol, 24  $\mu$ L), **9** (0.005 mmol, 0.0015 g) and DMF/ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1/1) mixture as reaction solvent. The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 85/15) and obtained as mixture of diastereoisomers A and B.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 5.32–4.99 (m), 4.31–4.21 (m, 2H), 4.20–4.12 (m), 3.64 (t,  $J$  = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.52–2.19 (m, 2H), 1.96–1.79 (m, 2H), 1.70–1.44 (m, 4H), 1.35–1.27 (m, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 169.4 (d,  $J$  = 22.8 Hz, A), 169.1 (d,  $J$  = 23.4 Hz, B), 87.3 (d,  $J$  = 184.7 Hz, A), 86.7 (d,  $J$  = 185.2 Hz, B), 62.5 (s, A+B), 61.9 (s, B), 61.8 (s, B), 51.6 (d,  $J$  = 1.9, A), 50.6 (d,  $J$  = 4.0, B), 41.7 (d,  $J$  = 20.6, A), 41.3 (d,  $J$  = 21.1, B), 39.0 (s, A+B), 38.0 (s, A+B), 31.8 (s, A), 31.8 (s, B), 23.8 (s, B), 23.7 (s, A), 14.1 (s, B), 14.1 (s, A);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (377 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = -190.5 – -190.8 (m), -194.7 – -195.0 (m); HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrFNaO}_3^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  307.0316, found 307.0313.



**(17d):** colorless oil; 47% (0.09 mmol, 0.025 g). The general procedure was applied using **16d** (0.6 mmol, 67  $\mu$ L, 3 eq.), **15** (0.2 mmol, 24  $\mu$ L), **9** (0.005 mmol, 0.0015 g) and DMF/ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1/1) mixture as reaction solvent. The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 4.12 (q,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.08–4.00 (m), 3.64 (t,  $J$  = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.62–2.44 (m, 2H), 2.23–2.12 (m), 2.10–1.97 (m), 1.90–1.79 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.46 (m, 4H), 1.24 (t,  $J$  = 8 Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 172.8, 62.6, 60.5, 56.8, 38.9, 33.9, 32.3, 31.9, 23.8, 14.2; HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrNaO}_3^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  289.0410, found 289.0416.

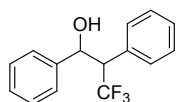


**(17e):** colorless oil; 89% (0.18 mmol, 0.039 g). The general procedure was applied using **16e** (0.6 mmol, 67  $\mu$ L, 3 eq.), **15** (0.2 mmol, 42  $\mu$ L), and **9** (0.005 mmol, 0.0015 g) and DMF/ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1/1) mixture as reaction solvent. The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 8/2).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 4.05 (m, 1H), 3.64 (m, 2H), 2.59 (m, 2H), 2.16 (m, 1H), 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.87 (m, 2H), 1.59 (m, 4H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  = 118.7, 62.4, 54.67, 38.6, 34.5, 31.8, 23.8, 16.0; HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{15}\text{BrNO}^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  220.0332, found 220.0323.

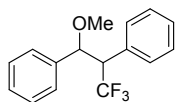
## General procedure for trifluoromethylation reaction



In a Schlenk tube with rotaflo stopcock under argon atmosphere at r.t., coumarin **9** (0.05 mmol, 1.5 mg) was dissolved in 2.0 mL of a mixture of DCM and ROH (9/1, water or methanol). Stilbene **18** (0.1 mmol, 0.018 g), Umemoto reagents **19** (0.14 mmol, 0.052g) were added. The reaction mixture was carefully degassed via freeze-pump thaw (three times), and the vessel refilled with argon. The Schlenk tube was stirred and irradiated with 16 W blue LEDs positioned approximately at 10 cm distance from the reaction vessel. After 18 h of irradiation, 10% aq. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> (5 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with DCM (4 x 5 mL). The collected organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Products **20a-b** were purified by column flash chromatography on SiO<sub>2</sub>.



**(20a)**: colorless oil; 49% (0.05 mmol, 0.012 g); d.r. = 4.45:1 (*syn*-**20a**:*anti*-**20a**) was determined by integration of benzylic CHOH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 9/1) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 7:1 ratio (*syn*-**20a**:*anti*-**20a**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ<sub>*syn,anti*</sub> = 7.35–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.21–7.11 (m, 11H), 7.10–6.98 (m, 7H), 5.38–5.33 (*anti*, m, 1H), 5.21 (*syn*, dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (*syn*, p, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (*anti*, ddd, *J* = 19.3, 9.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (*syn*, d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (*anti*, d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>*syn,anti*</sub> = 140.7, 132.7, 130.2, 129.3 (2C), 128.5, 128.4 (2C), 128.3, 128.2 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.9, 126.8 (2C), 126.3, 125.1, 74.7 (*syn*), 72.3 (*anti*), 57.4 (quin, *J* = 25.0, 2C); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ<sub>*syn,anti*</sub> = -62.02 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 3F, *syn*), -63.77 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 3F, *anti*); HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 267.0991, found 267.0993.

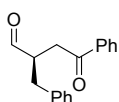


**(20b)**: pale yellow oil; 41% (0.04 mmol, 0.011 g); d.r. = 3.9:1 (*syn*-**20b**:*anti*-**20b**) was determined by integration of benzylic CHOH <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal. The title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (cyclohexane/ethyl acetate, 95/5) as mixture of diastereoisomers in 5.8:1 ratio (*syn*-**20b**:*anti*-**20b**). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ<sub>*syn,anti*</sub> = 7.20–7.09 (m, 6H *syn* + 6H *anti*), 7.02–6.96 (m, 4H *syn* + 4H *anti*), 4.78 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H *anti*), 4.59 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H *syn*), 3.63 (m, 1H *syn*), 3.45 (m, 1H *anti*), 3.23 (s, 3H *syn*), 3.19 (s, 3H *anti*); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>*syn,anti*</sub> = 138.7 (*anti*), 138.1 (*syn*), 132.9, 130.5, 129.3 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6 (2C), 127.05, 124.9, 83.5, 81.3, 57.4–56.8 (m), 56.6; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ<sub>*syn,anti*</sub> = -62.07 (3F, *syn*), -64.28 (3F, *anti*); HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 281.1148, found 281.1149.

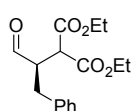
### General procedure for enantioselective α-alkylation of aldehydes

In a Schlenk tube with rotaflo stopcock under argon atmosphere at r.t., coumarin **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 mg) and the Macmillan catalyst **23** (0.04 mmol, 0.013 g) were dissolved in 1.0 mL DMF. Aldehyde **21** (0.6 mmol, 3 equiv., 79 μL), bromo derivatives **22a-b** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv.) and 2,6-lutidine (0.3 mmol, 35 μL) were then added.

The reaction mixture was carefully degassed via freeze-pump thaw (three times), and the vessel refilled with argon. The Schlenk tube was stirred and irradiated with 16 W blue LEDs positioned approximately at 10 cm distance from the reaction vessel. After 18 h of irradiation, aq. HCl 1M (5 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with AcOEt (4 x 5 mL). The collected organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Products **24a-b** were purified by column flash chromatography on SiO<sub>2</sub>.



**(24a)**: the title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, cyclohexane/EtOAc, 9/1) as colorless oil (28 mg, 0.11 mmol, 56% yield, 83% ee). Ee was determined by chiral HPLC analysis using Daicel Chiralpak®IC column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1.00 mL/min, 30°C, λ = 210 nm: *t*<sub>major</sub> = 18.4 min., *t*<sub>minor</sub> = 15.3 min.; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ = 9.89 (s, 1H), 7.94–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.47–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.21 (ddd, *J* = 12.3, 6.7, 4.1 Hz, 3H), 3.52–3.30 (m, 2H), 3.26–3.08 (m, 1H), 3.05–2.93 (m, 1H), 2.87–2.76 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C): δ = 203.0, 197.8, 138.1, 136.4, 133.3, 129.0 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 126.7, 48.3, 37.2, 34.7.



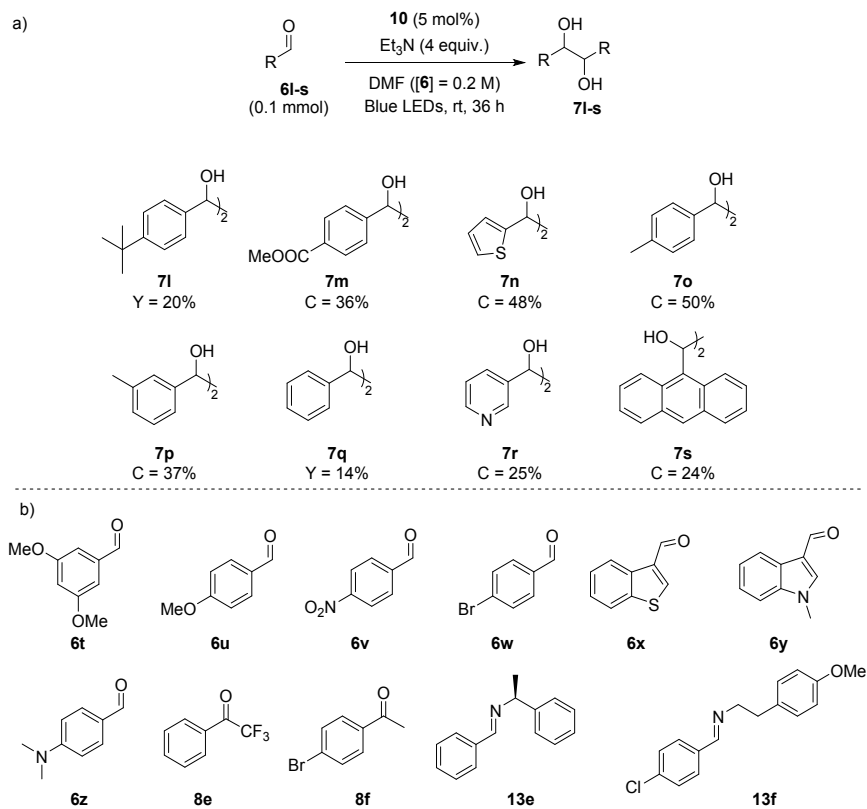
**(24b)**: the title compound was isolated by flash column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, cyclohexane/EtOAc, 95/5) as colorless oil (36 mg, 0.12 mmol, 62% yield, 89% ee). Ee was determined by chiral HPLC analysis using Daicel Chiralpak®IC column: hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1.00 mL/min, 30°C,  $\lambda$  = 210 nm:  $t_{major}$  = 17.8 min.,  $t_{minor}$  = 14.1 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta$  = 9.76 (d,  $J$  = 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.15 (m, 3H), 4.33–4.06 (m, 4H), 3.66 (d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.47–3.28 (m, 1H), 3.10 (dd,  $J$  = 14.3, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd,  $J$  = 14.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.25 (t,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C):  $\delta$  = 201.1, 168.1, 167.9, 137.4, 129.1 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 126.9, 61.9 (2C), 51.8, 51.5, 33.2, 14.0 (2C).

#### Procedure for reductive protonation of $\alpha$ -bromoketones.

A Schlenk tube with rotaflo stopcock under argon atmosphere at r.t. was charged with coumarin **10** (0.01 mmol, 0.005 mg), 2-bromoacetophenone **25** (0.2 mmol, 0.040 g), Hantzsch ester **26** (0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv., 0.068 g) and DMF (1 mL). The reaction mixture was carefully degassed via freeze-pump thaw (three times), and the vessel refilled with argon. The Schlenk tube was stirred and irradiated with 16 W blue LEDs positioned approximately at 10 cm distance from the reaction vessel. After 36 h of irradiation, reaction mixture was injected in GC to confirm the complete conversion of the 2-bromoacetophenone to acetophenone.

## Results and Discussion

**Scheme S1.** Poor reactive (a) and inactive (b) substrates tested in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.



**Table S1.** Screening of coumarin derivatives in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.

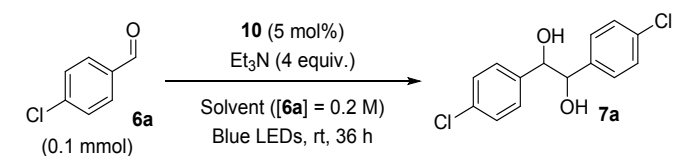
Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	<b>8</b>	80
2	<b>9</b>	50
3	<b>10</b>	89
4	<b>A</b>	0
5	<b>B</b>	31
6 <sup>[c]</sup>	<b>C</b>	24
7 <sup>[c]</sup>	<b>D</b>	0
8	<b>E</b>	0
9	<b>F</b>	0
10	<b>G</b>	0

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis. [c] The reaction was irradiated with 23W CFL.

**Table S2.** Screening of reducing agent in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.

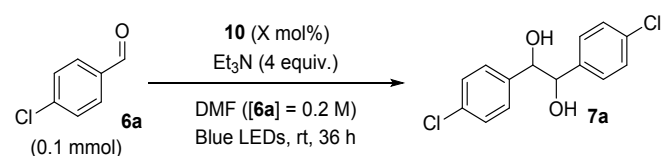
Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin	Solvent	Reducing agent	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	<b>9</b>	DMF	-	0
2	<b>9</b>	DMF	Et <sub>3</sub> N	50
3	<b>9</b>	DMF	Bu <sub>3</sub> N	38
4	<b>9</b>	DMF	<i>N,N</i> -Dimethylaniline	6
5	<b>10</b>	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	Sodium ascorbate	0
6	<b>10</b>	DMF	Et <sub>3</sub> N	89
7	<b>10</b>	DMF	MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -NPh <sub>2</sub>	0
8	<b>10</b>	DMF	Bu <sub>3</sub> N	67

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

**Table S3.** Solvent screening of reducing agent in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.

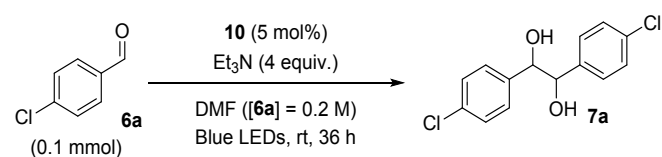
Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Solvent	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	0
2	DMF	89
3	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	37
4	1,2-DCE	0
5	THF	0
6	DMSO	66
7	EtOH	0

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

**Table S4.** Effect of coumarin loading in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.

Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin loading (mol%)	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	1	65
2	2.5	69
3	5	89

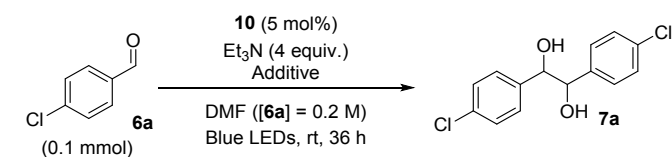
[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

**Table S5.** Effect of air, light and catalyst in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.

Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Air	Light	<b>10</b>	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	☒	☒	☒	0
2	☒	☒	☒	89
3	☒	☐	☒	0
4	☐	☐	☒	0
5	☐	☒	☐	0

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

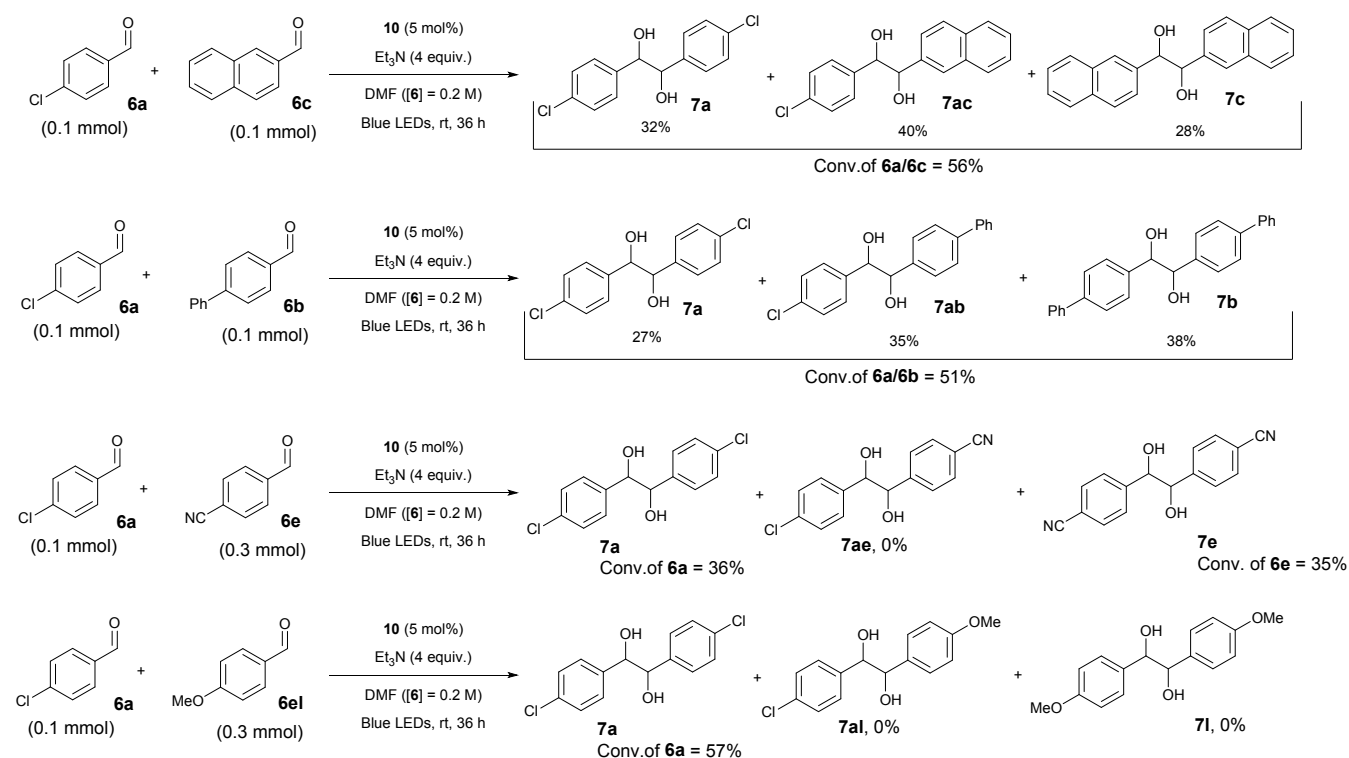
**Table S6.** Effect of additives in the photocatalytic pinacol coupling reaction.



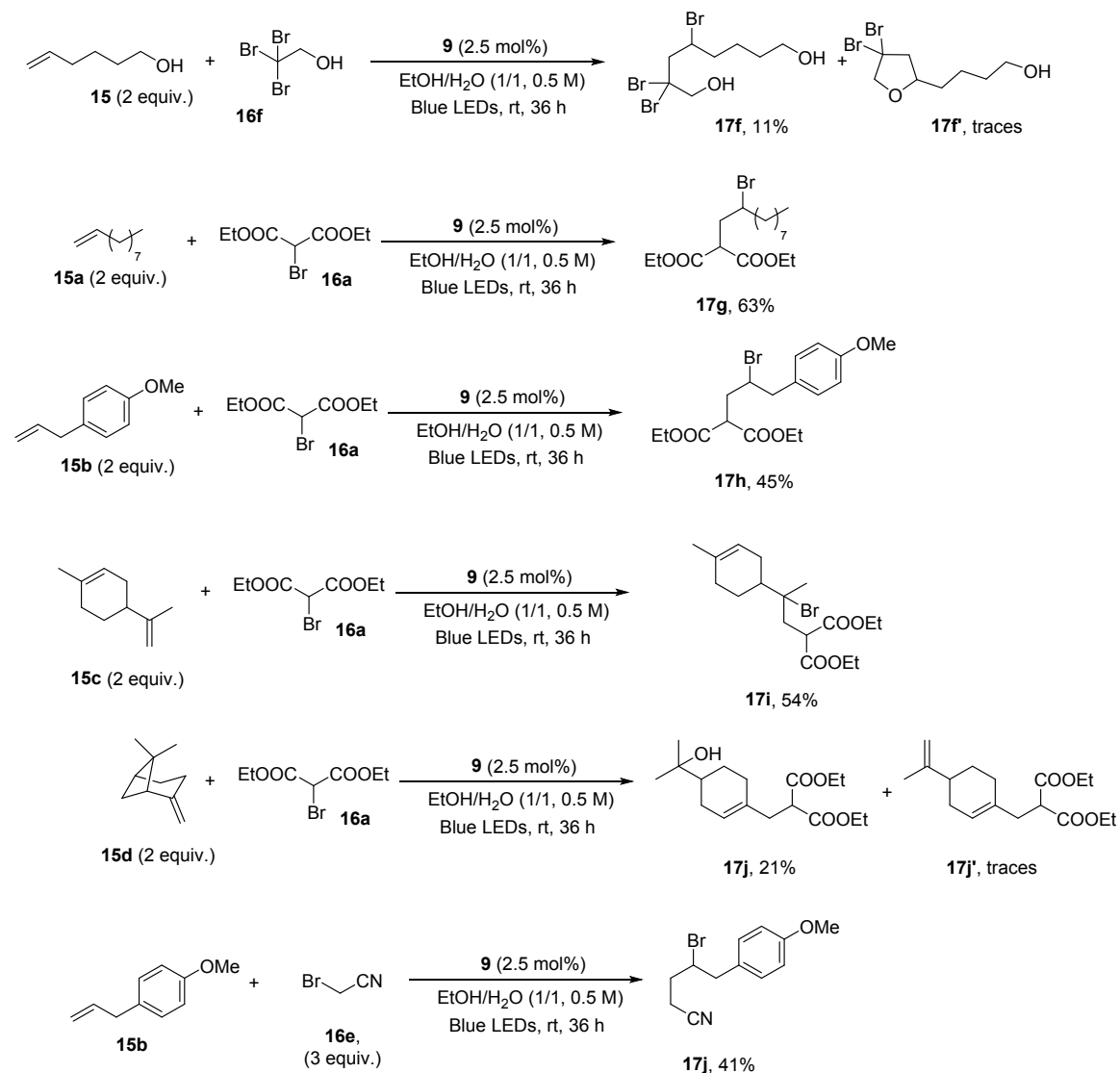
Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Additive	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	TMSCl (1 equiv.)	29
2	Colloidine*HCl (1 equiv.)	30
3	Oxalic Acid (20 mol%)	49
4	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> (20 mol%)	12
5	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (20 mol%)	16
6	-	89

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

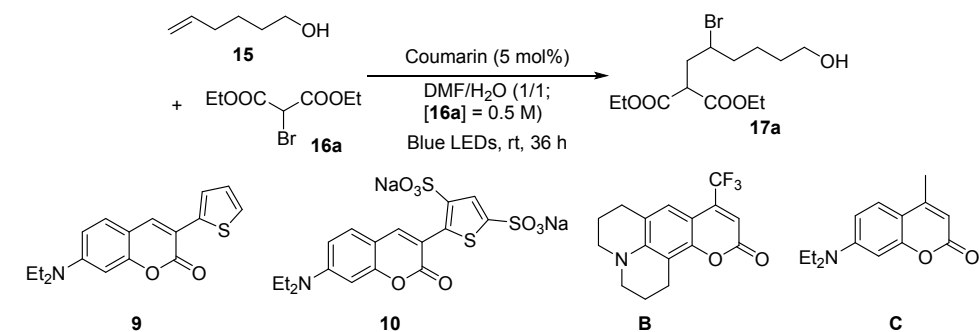
**Scheme S2.** Attempts to perform cross pinacol coupling reaction; Conversions and ratios determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.



**Scheme S3.** Different bromides and alkenes tested in the ATRA reaction.



**Table S7.** Screening of coumarin derivatives in the ATRA reaction.



Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	<b>9</b>	96
2	<b>10</b>	96

3	<b>B</b>	0
4	<b>C</b>	74

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

**Table S8.** Effect of additives, solvent and reducing agent in the ATRA reaction.

Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin	Solvent	Additive	Reducing agent	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	<b>9</b>	DMF	-	-	33
2	<b>9</b>	DMF	-	Et <sub>3</sub> N (4 equiv.)	0
3	<b>9</b>	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	LiBr (2 equiv.)	-	96
4	<b>9</b>	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	-	-	96
5	<b>10</b>	DMF	-	Et <sub>3</sub> N (20 mol%)	33
6	<b>10</b>	DMF	-	-	3
7	<b>10</b>	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	LiBr (2 equiv.)	-	96
8	<b>10</b>	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	-	-	96

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

**Table S9.** Solvent effect in the ATRA reaction.

Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Solvent	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	DMF	33
2	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	96
3	CH <sub>3</sub> CN/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	93
4	EtOH/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	98
5	DMSO/H <sub>2</sub> O (1/1)	98

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.

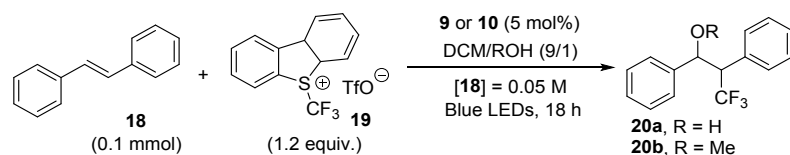
**Table S10.** Effect of coumarin loading in the ATRA reaction.

Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin loading (mol%)	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	1	94
2	2.5	96



[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis.

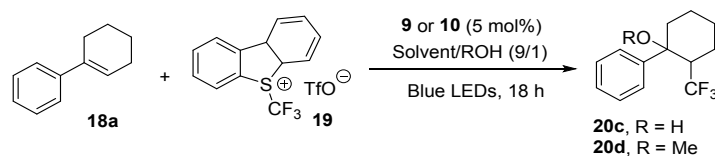
**Table S11.** Screening of coumarin in the photocatalytic trifluoromethylation reaction.



Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	Coumarin	Solvent	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	<b>9</b>	DCM/MeOH (9/1)	67(45) <sup>[c]</sup>
2	<b>9</b>	DCM/H <sub>2</sub> O (9/1)	68(41) <sup>[c]</sup>
3	<b>10</b>	DCM/MeOH (9/1)	56
4	<b>10</b>	DCM/H <sub>2</sub> O (9/1)	53

[a] Reaction condition reported in the above figure. [b] Determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis. [c] Yield determined after chromatographic purification.

**Table S12.** Miscellaneous tests in the photocatalytic trifluoromethylation reaction.

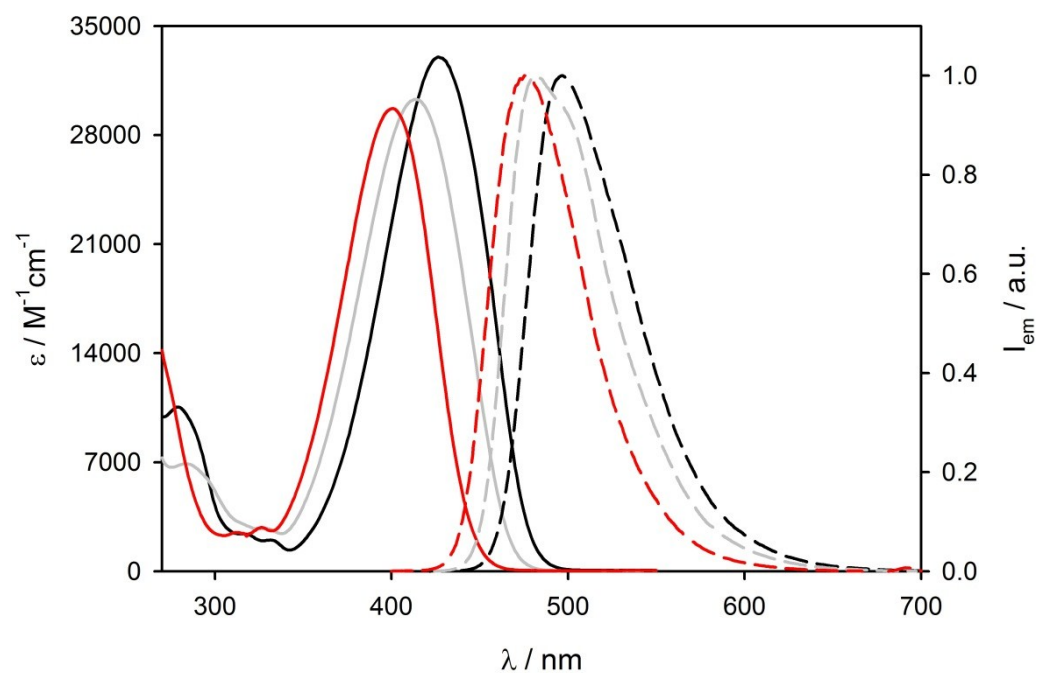


Entry <sup>[a]</sup>	<b>18a</b>	<b>19</b>	Coumarin	Solvent	Conversion (%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	0.1 mmol	0.12 mmol	<b>9</b>	Acetone/H <sub>2</sub> O (9/1)	50
2	0.1 mmol	0.12 mmol	<b>10</b>	Acetone/H <sub>2</sub> O (9/1)	46
3	0.2 mmol	0.1 mmol	<b>9</b>	Acetone/H <sub>2</sub> O (9/1)	45
4	0.2 mmol	0.1 mmol	<b>10</b>	DCM/MeOH (9/1)	34

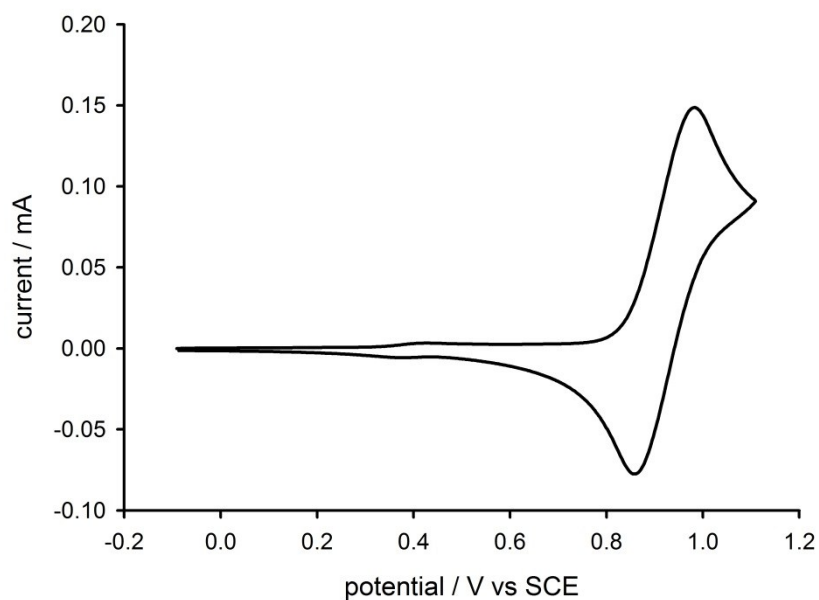
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## Photophysical studies

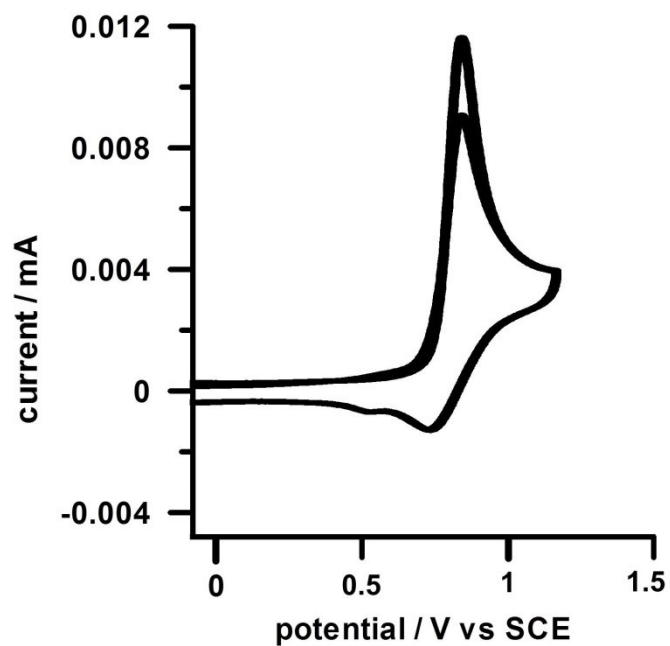
**Figure S1.** Absorption (left, solid lines) and emission spectra (right, dashed lines) of **8** (red line), **9** (black line) and **10** (gray line) in DMF solution at 298 K.  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 400$  nm.



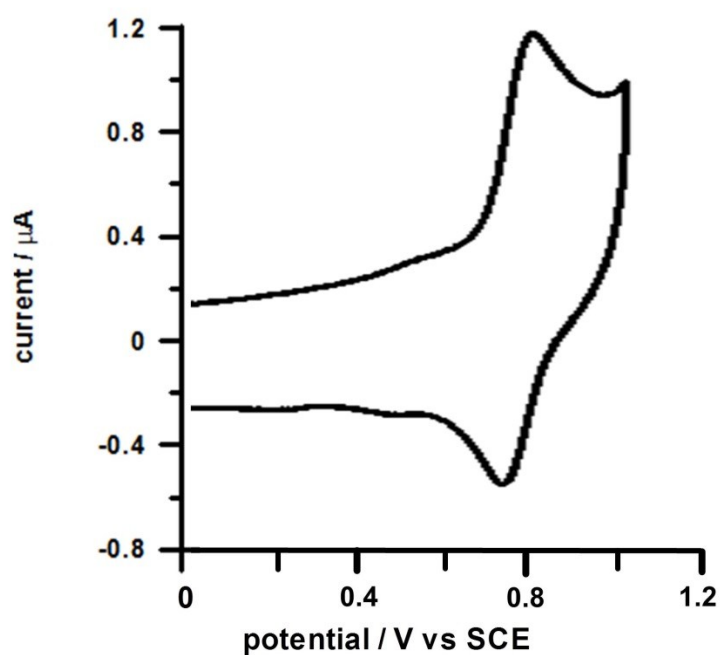
**Figure S2.** Cyclic Voltammetry of an argon-purged solution of **8** (1mM) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  in the presence of 0.1M tetraethylammonium hexafluorophosphate ( $\text{TEAPF}_6$ ). Scan rate=0.1Vs<sup>-1</sup>; working electrode: glassy carbon.



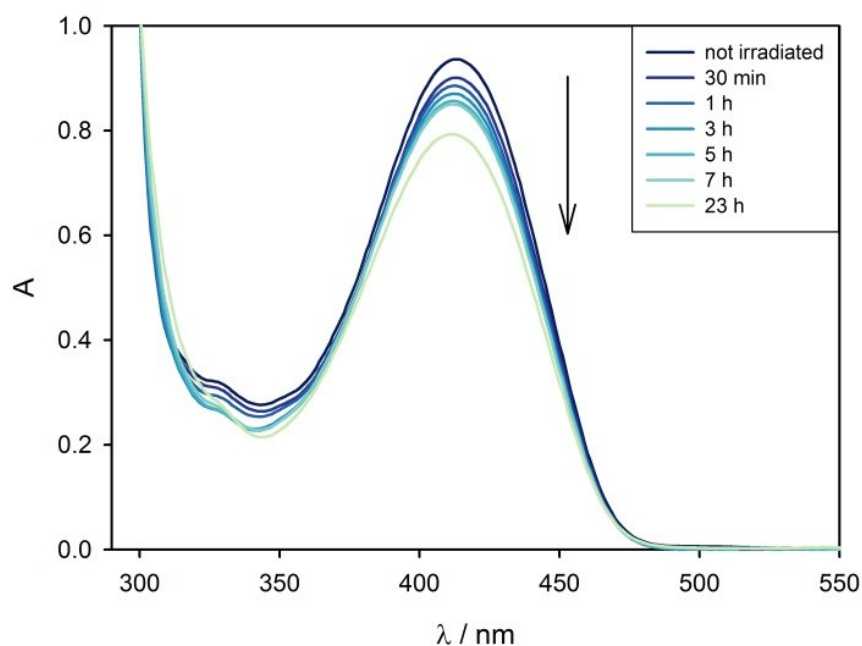
**Figure S3.** Cyclic Voltammetry of an argon-purged solution of **9** (1mM) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN in the presence of 0.1M tetraethylammonium hexafluorophosphate (TEAPF<sub>6</sub>). Scan rate=0.2Vs<sup>-1</sup>; working electrode: glassy carbon; two scans.



**Figure S4.** Cyclic Voltammetry of an argon-purged solution of **10** (1.4mM) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN in the presence of 0.1M tetraethylammonium hexafluorophosphate (TEAPF<sub>6</sub>). Scan rate=0.2Vs<sup>-1</sup>; working electrode: glassy carbon.

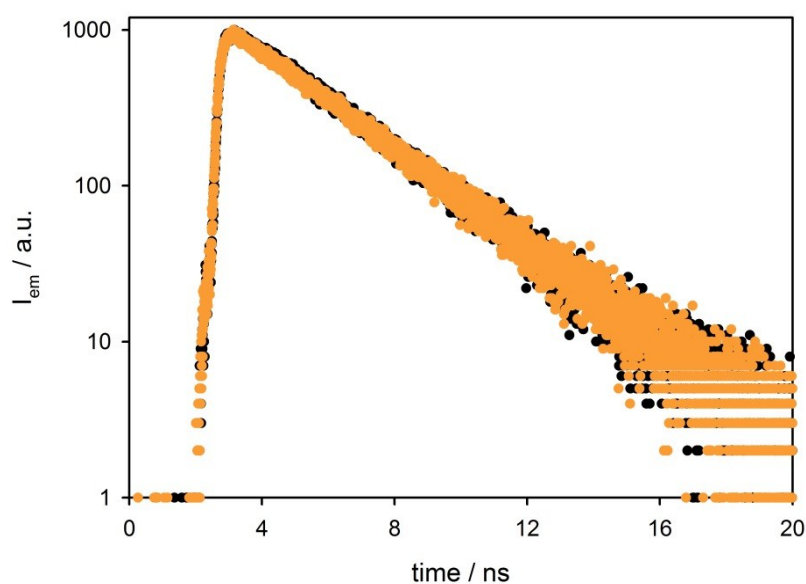


**Figure S5.** Absorption spectra of coumarin **10**  $3.1 \times 10^{-4}$  M (0.15 mol%) in degassed DMF solution in the presence of aldehyde **6a** 0.21 M and Et<sub>3</sub>N 0.8 M upon irradiation at 450 in the time interval 0 – 23 h (left). Optical pathlength = 0.1 cm.



The reaction was performed under the same experimental conditions reported in the text (Scheme 2), apart from coumarin **10** that was 0.15 mol% instead of 5 mol% in order to record its absorption spectrum (optical pathlength = 0.1 cm). Under the present experimental conditions, a slight decrease of the absorption band ( $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 413$  nm) of the coumarin is observed during the irradiation (Figure S2). By taking into account the photocatalyst amount (5 mol%) reported in Scheme 2, a degradation of ca. 1% of coumarin **10** is estimated.

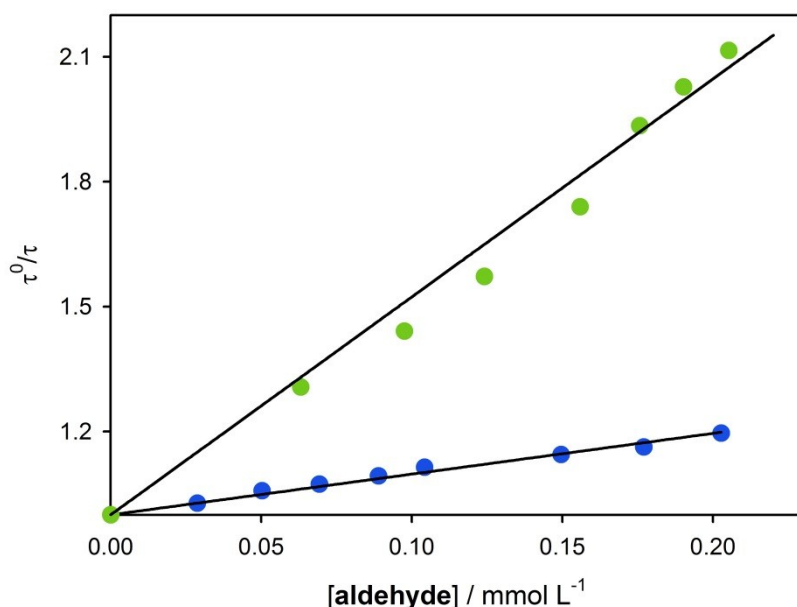
**Figure S6.** Emission intensity decays of **10** in DMF solution in absence (black dots) and in presence of Et<sub>3</sub>N 0.8 M (orange dots) upon excitation at 405 nm.



Since the emission intensity decay of **10** does not change upon the addition of Et<sub>3</sub>N 0.8 M (same concentration used to perform the reaction), Et<sub>3</sub>N does not quench the fluorescence of the coumarin **10**.

In order to simulate the reaction condition, the Stern-Volmer analysis was conducted at different concentrations of selected aldehyde, in the presence of tertiary amine, as the amine is not able to quench the excited state of the coumarin catalyst.

**Figure S7.** Emission intensity decays of **10** in DMF solution containing Et<sub>3</sub>N 0.8M in the absence ( $\tau^0$ ) and in the presence ( $\tau$ ) of increasing amount of aldehyde **6a** (blue dots) and **6c** (green dots). The slopes represent the Stern-Volmer constant ( $K_{SV}$ ), i.e. the product of the quenching constant ( $k_q$ ) and  $\tau^0$ .



The Stern-Volmer plots show a linear correlation between the ratio  $\tau^0/\tau$  and the aldehyde concentration, as expected for a dynamic quenching process according to the Stern-Volmer equation:

$$\tau^0/\tau = 1 + K_{SV}[Q] = 1 + k_q\tau^0[Q] \quad (S1)$$

where  $\tau^0$  and  $\tau$  are the lifetimes in the absence and in the presence of the quencher Q (i.e. aldehydes), respectively,  $K_{SV}$  is the Stern-Volmer constant and  $k_q$  is the quenching constant.

The analysis of the plots reported above yields the following quenching constants:

$$k_q = 3.1 \times 10^8 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1} \text{ for aldehyde } \mathbf{6a}$$

$$k_q = 1.8 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1} \text{ for aldehyde } \mathbf{6c}$$

Quenching by energy transfer from the lowest excited state of coumarin to populate the lowest triplet excited state of benzaldehyde is ruled out, being endoergonic. Indeed, the  $S_1$  fluorescent excited states of coumarins **9** and **10** (Table 1) lie at lower energy than the  $T_1$  excited states of the investigated aldehydes.<sup>[5]</sup>

The most plausible quenching mechanism is photoinduced electron transfer from the  $S_1$  excited state of coumarin to aldehydes, yielding the corresponding ketyl radicals.

To discuss thermodynamic aspects of the photoinduced electron transfer we need to consider the reduction potentials of aldehydes (Table S13) and of the  $S_1$  excited state of coumarins, which can be evaluated as follows:

$$E(\mathbf{9}^+/\mathbf{9}) = E(\mathbf{9}^+/\mathbf{9}) - E_{00}(\mathbf{9}^+/\mathbf{9}) = 0.79 - 2.66 = -1.87 \text{ V (vs SCE)}$$

$$E(\mathbf{10}^+/\mathbf{10}) = E(\mathbf{10}^+/\mathbf{10}) - E_{00}(\mathbf{10}^+/\mathbf{10}) = 0.83 - 2.72 = -1.89 \text{ V (vs SCE)}$$

Where the energy difference between the ground and the S<sub>1</sub> excited state (E<sub>00</sub>) was estimated from the fluorescence spectrum (wavelength corresponding to the 20% of the maximum emission intensity).

**Table S13.** Half-wave reduction potentials (E<sub>1/2</sub> in V vs SCE) of selected aldehydes in different environments.

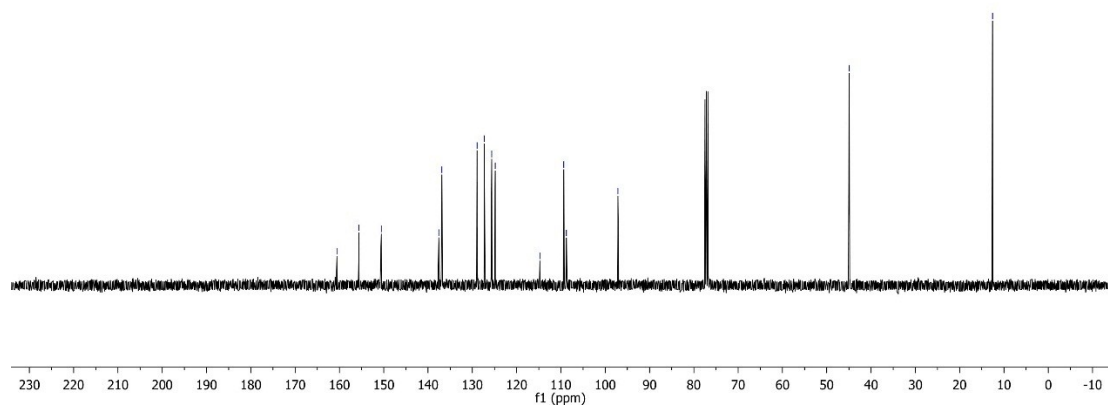
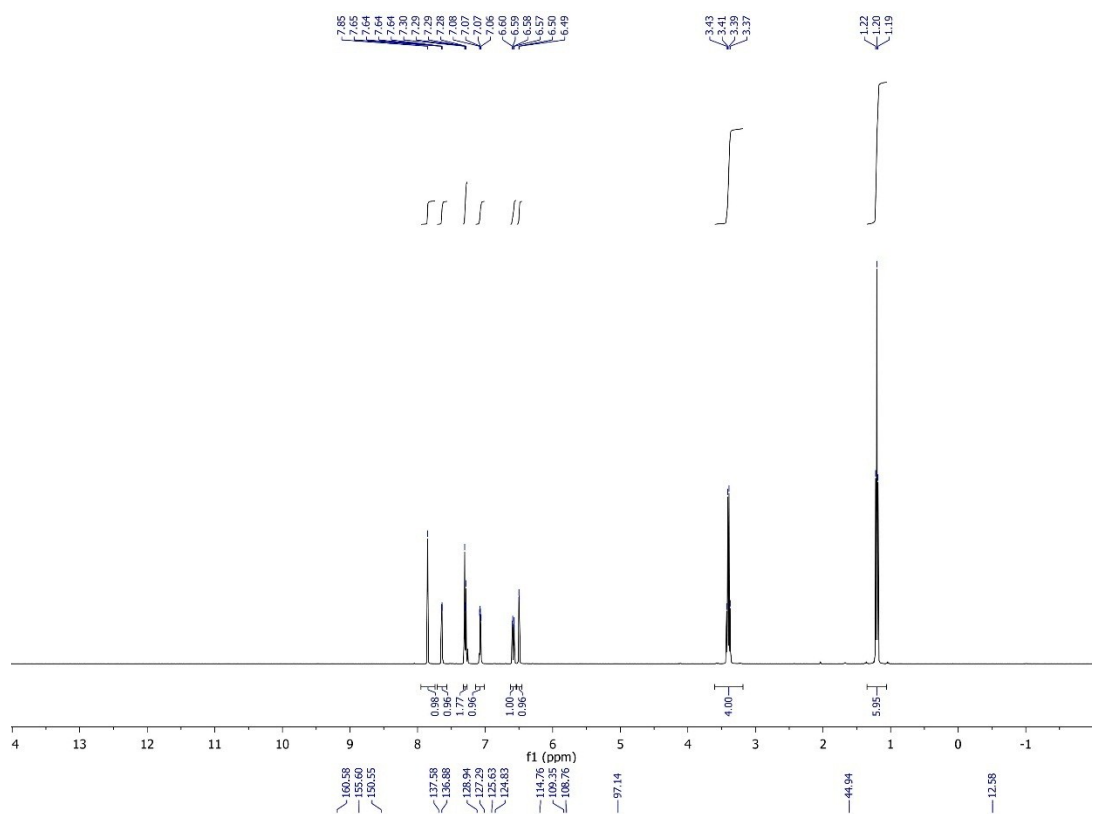
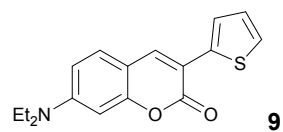
	EtOH/H <sub>2</sub> O	0.5 M TBAP/ THF <sup>[6]</sup>	0.5 M LiClO <sub>4</sub> /THF <sup>[e]</sup>
<b>6a</b>		-1.96	-1.71
<b>6c</b>	-1.34 <sup>[7]</sup>		

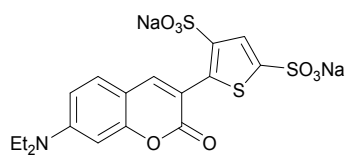
The oxidative quenching of coumarins **9** and **10** by the investigated aldehydes is exoergonic, apart from **6a** in which it is slightly endoergonic if the reduction potential of -1.96 V is considered. However, as evident from data reported in Table S13, the presence of Lewis acids can greatly affect the reduction potentials of aldehydes. In particular, **6a** become much easier to be reduced in the presence of LiClO<sub>4</sub> supporting electrolyte. Indeed, lithium ion interaction with the carbonyl withdraws electrons from the carbonyl compound and makes the carbonyl easier to be reduced than if the lithium were not present.<sup>8</sup> Under the conditions reported in Scheme 2, the radical cation Et<sub>3</sub>N<sup>•+</sup> can act as Lewis acid, as previously discussed by Rueping<sup>[9]</sup> making the photoinduced electron transfer exoergonic also in the case of **6a**.

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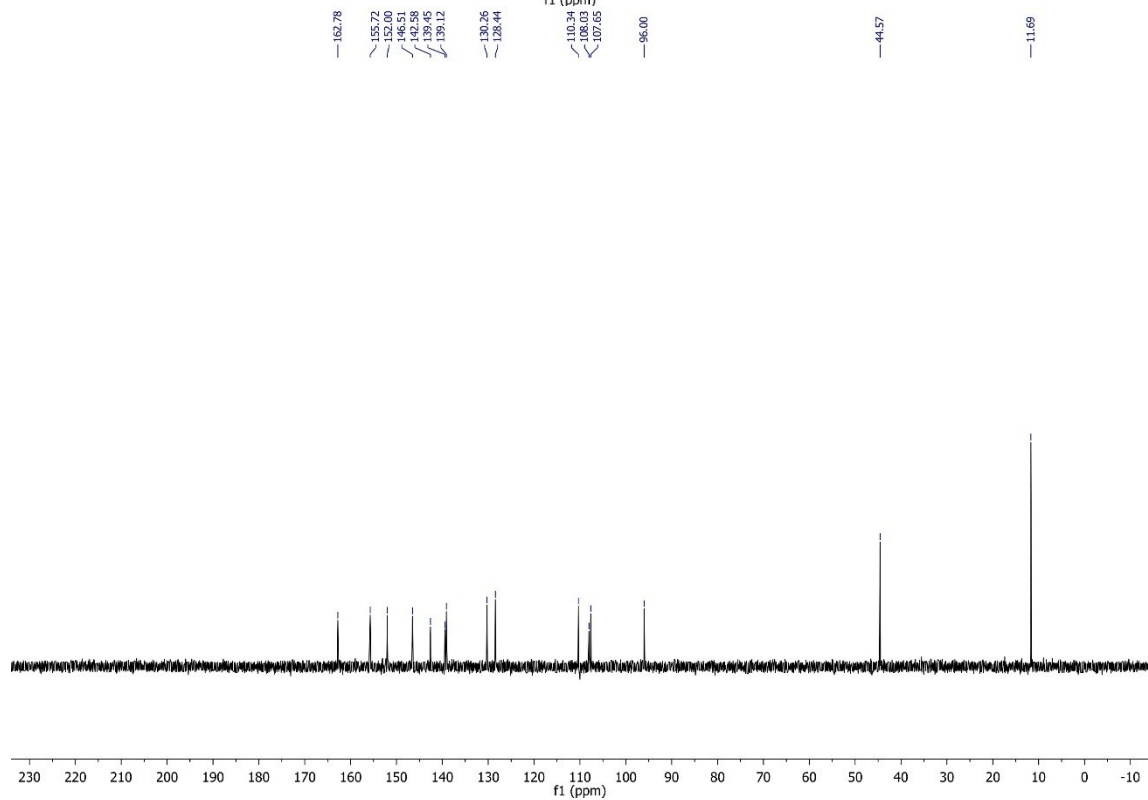
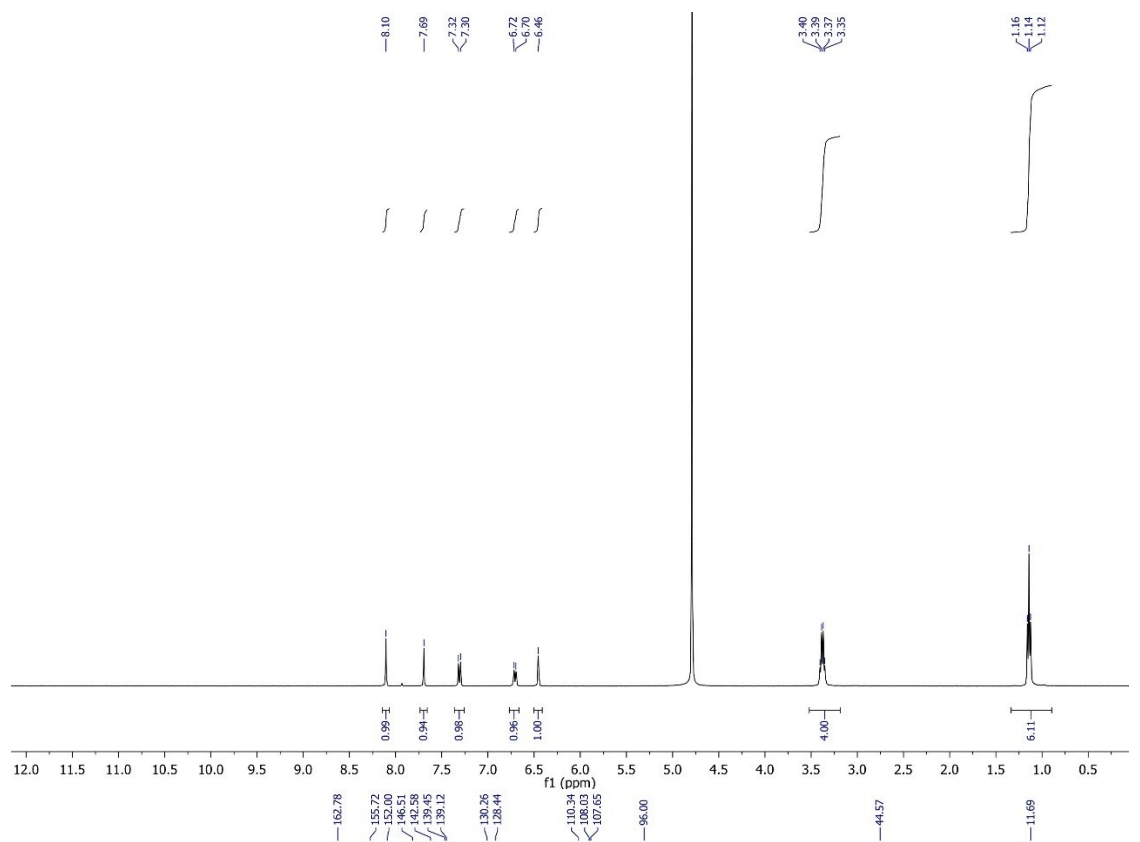
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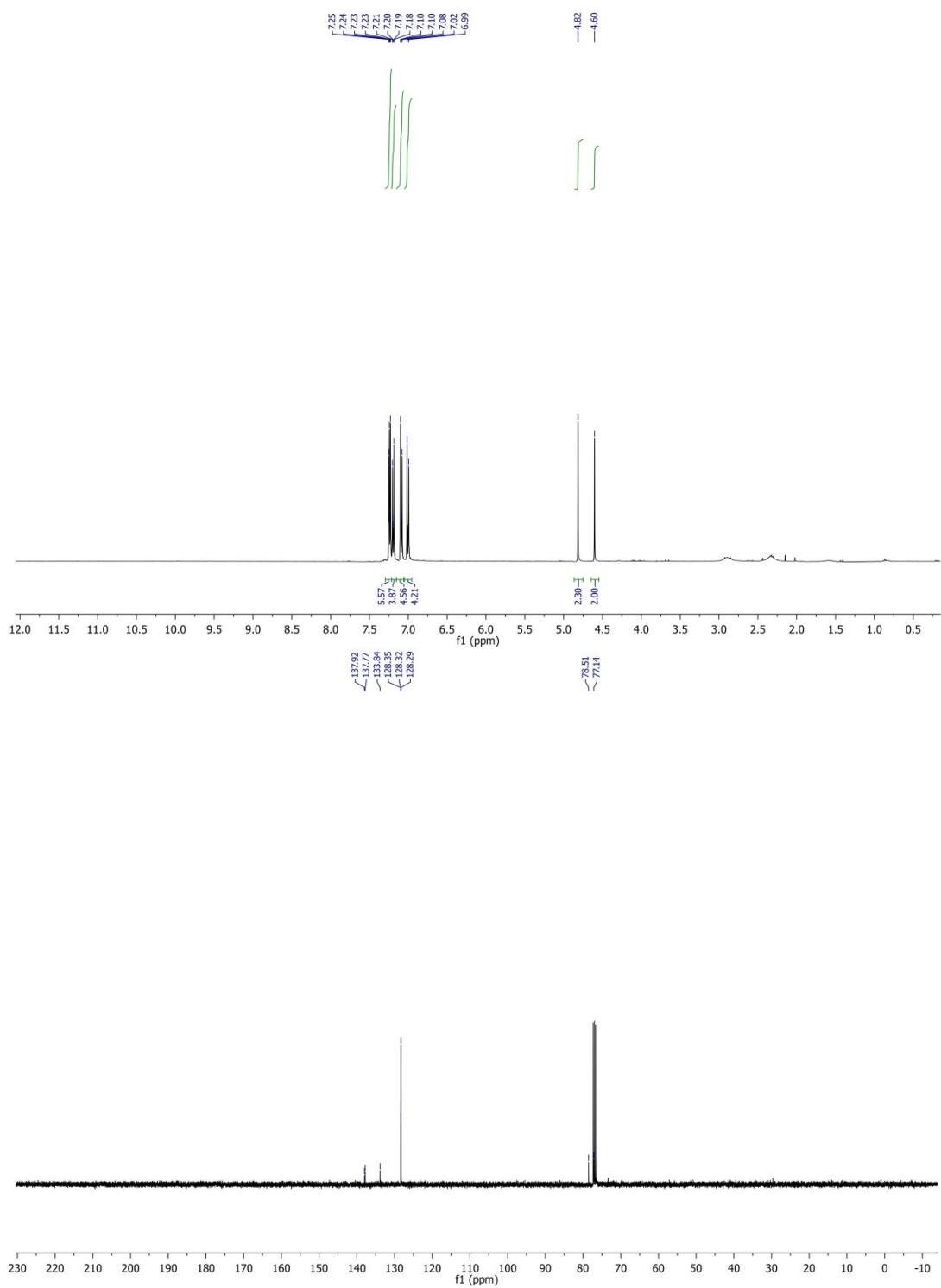
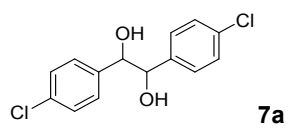


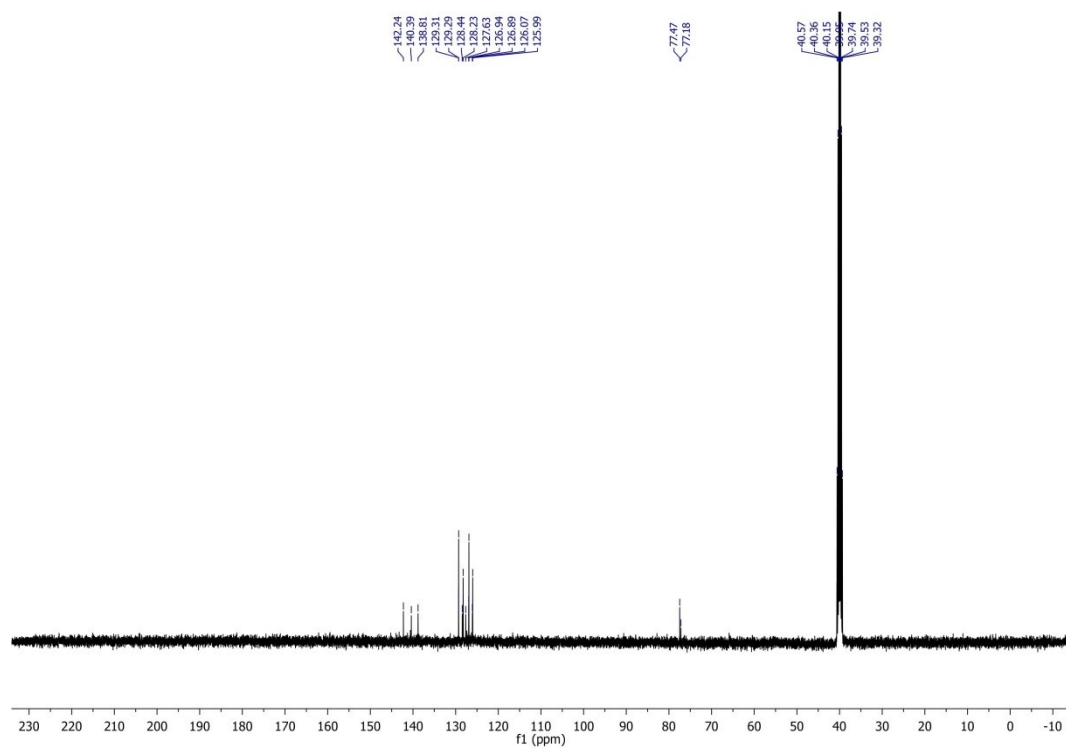
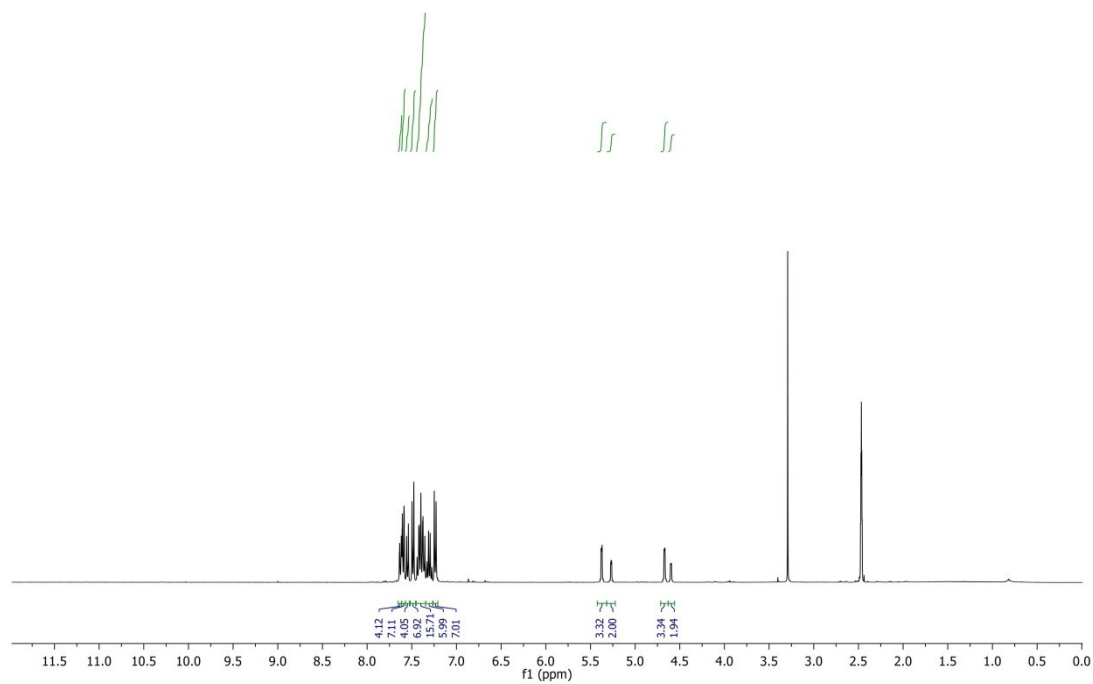
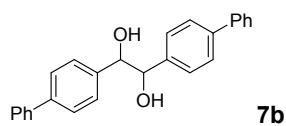


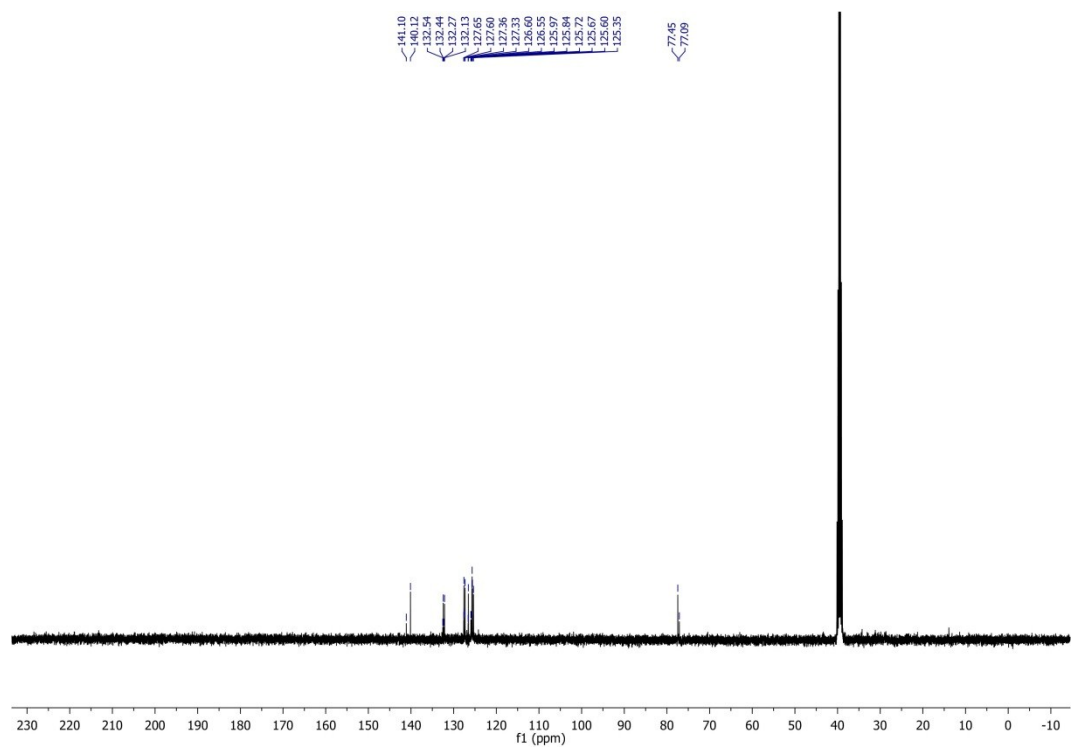
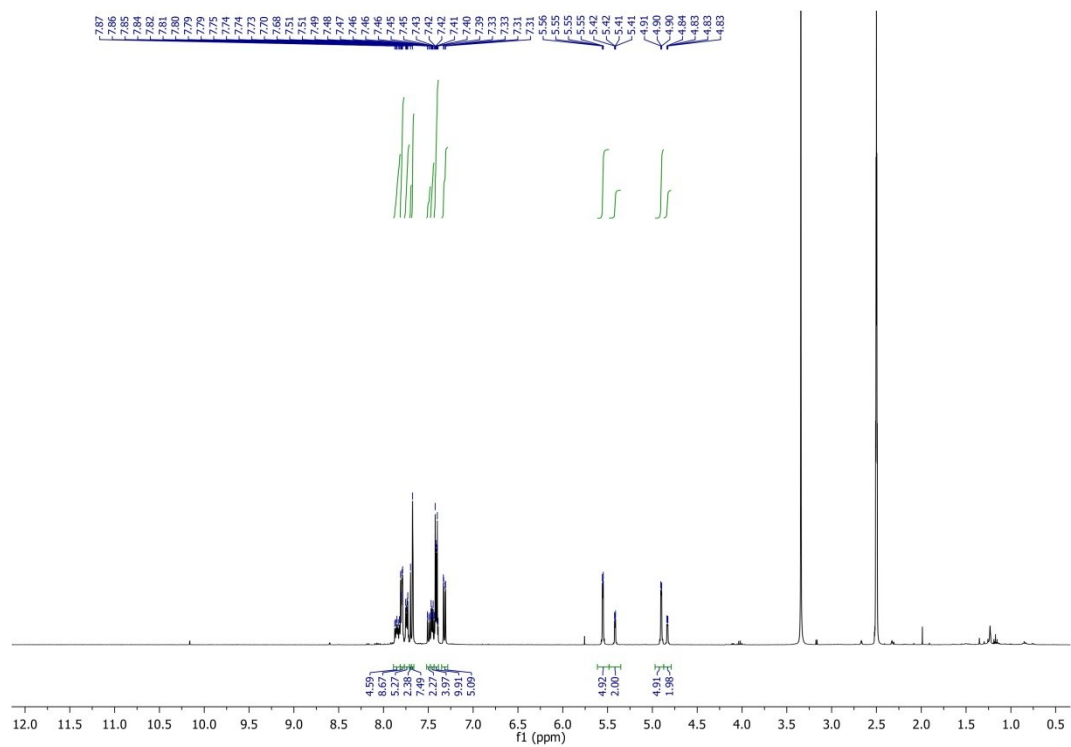
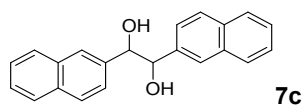
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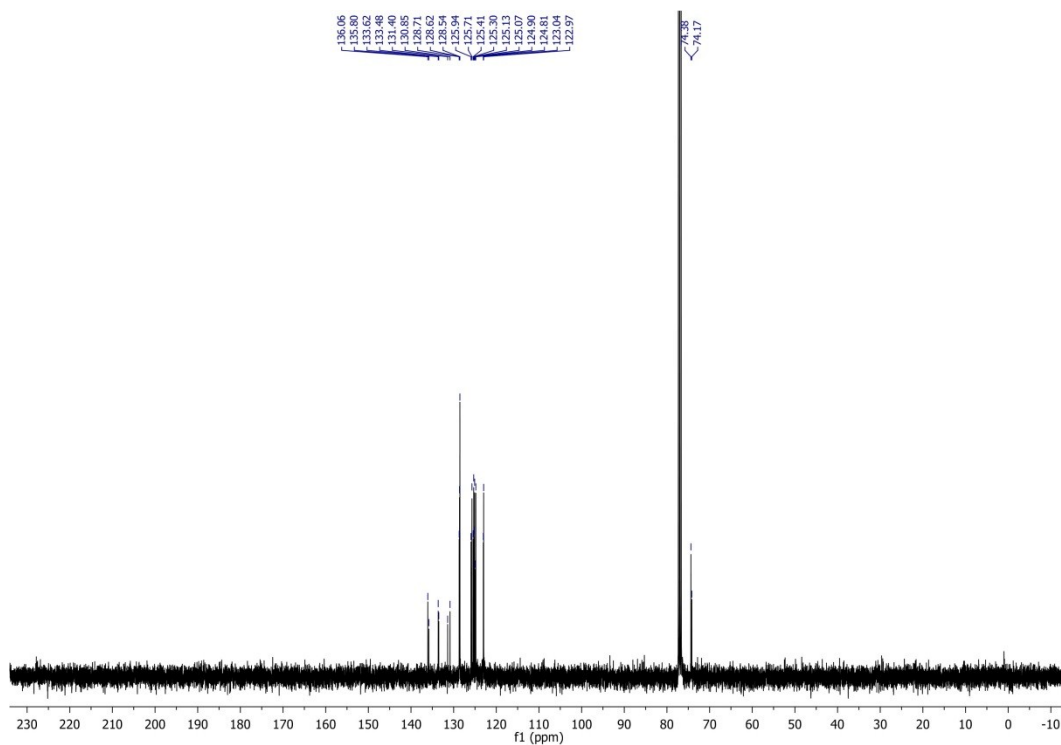
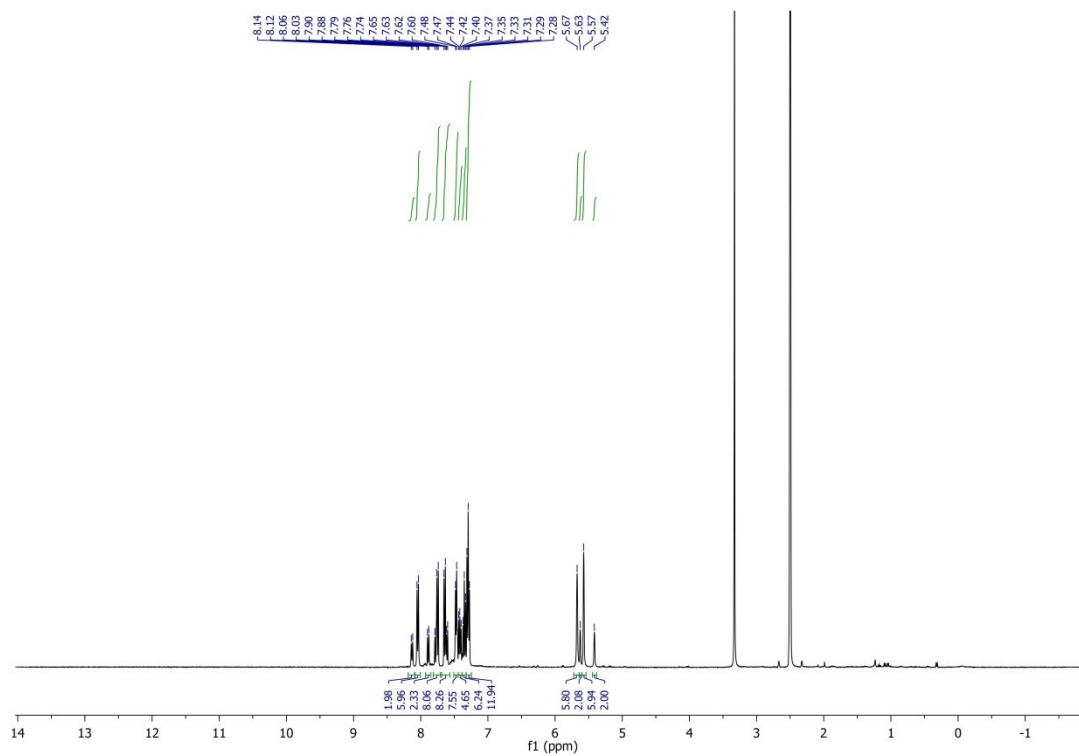
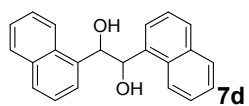


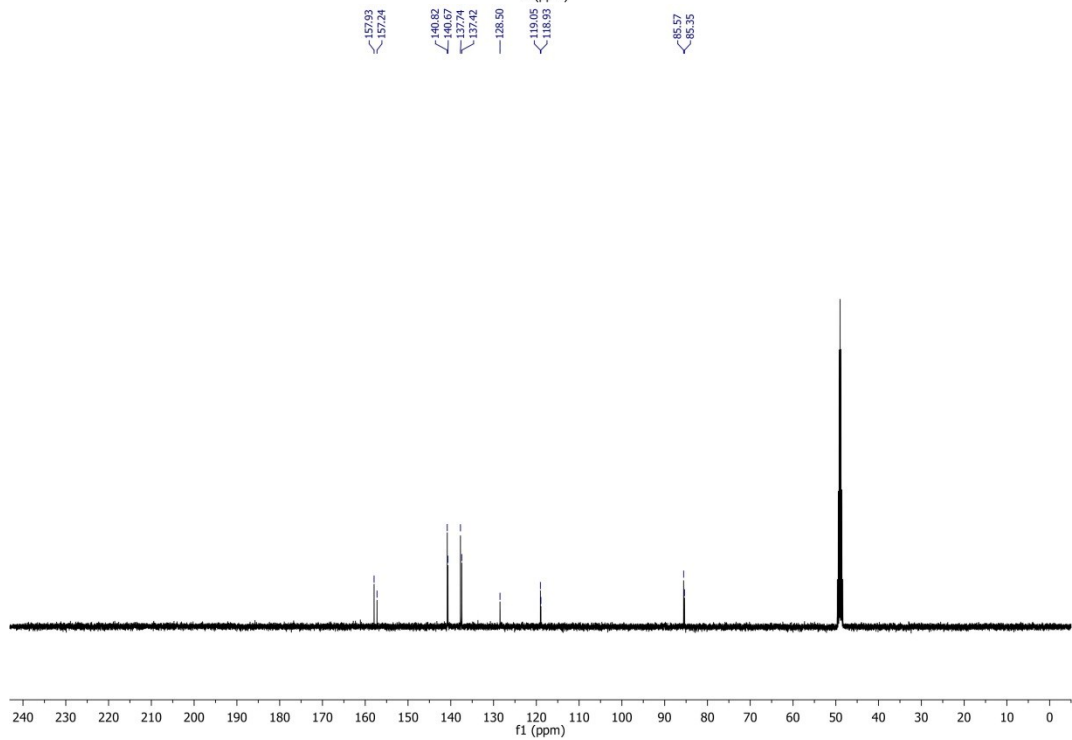
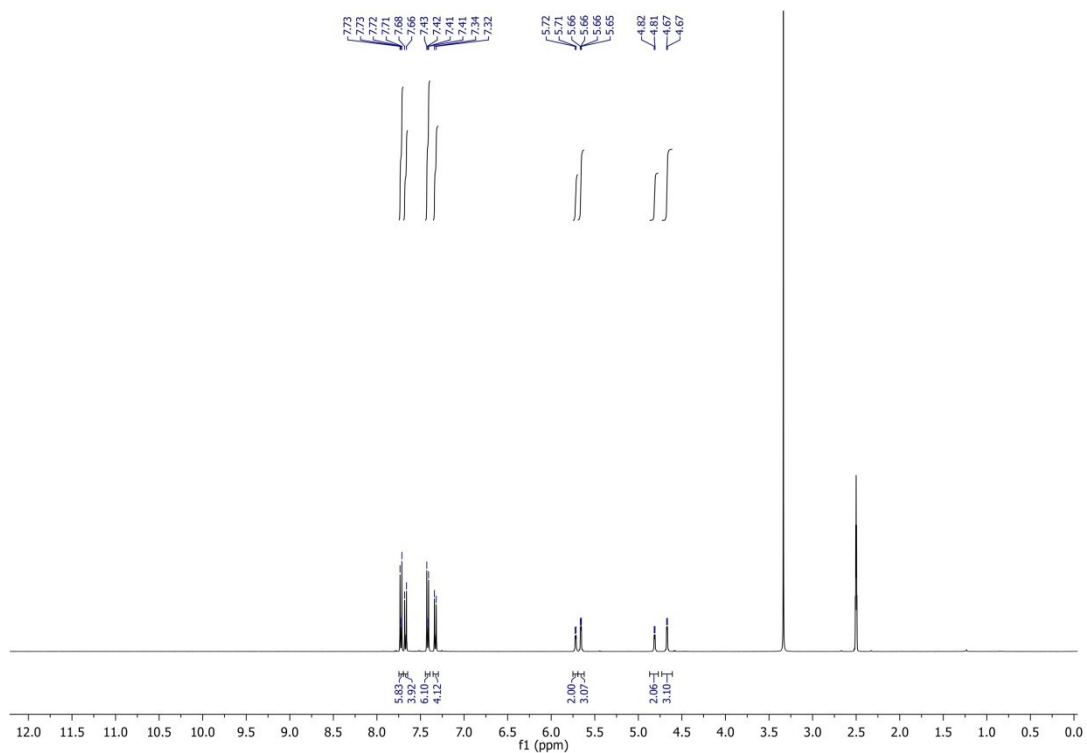
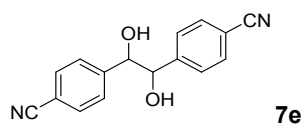


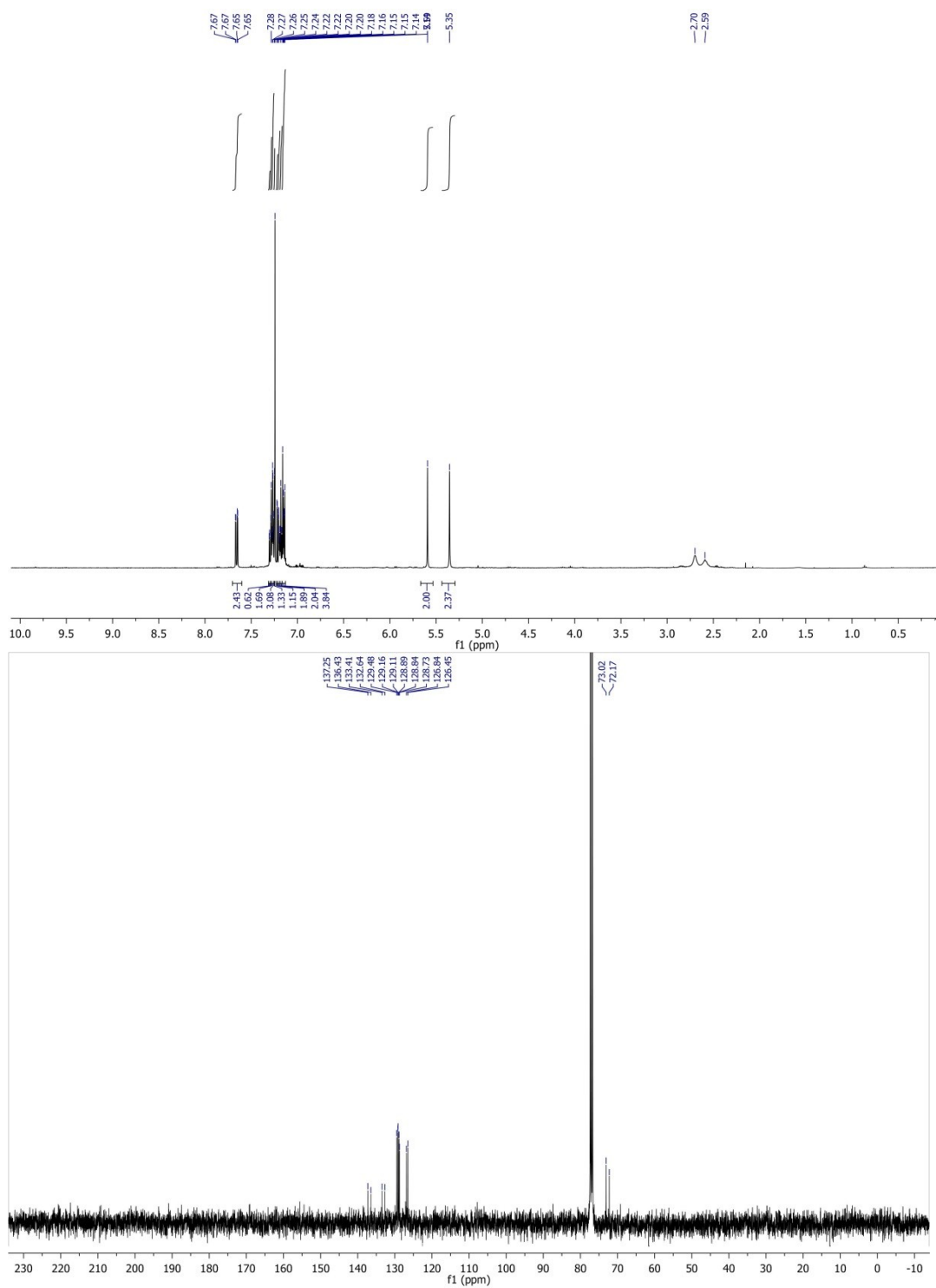
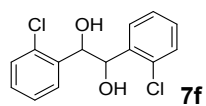


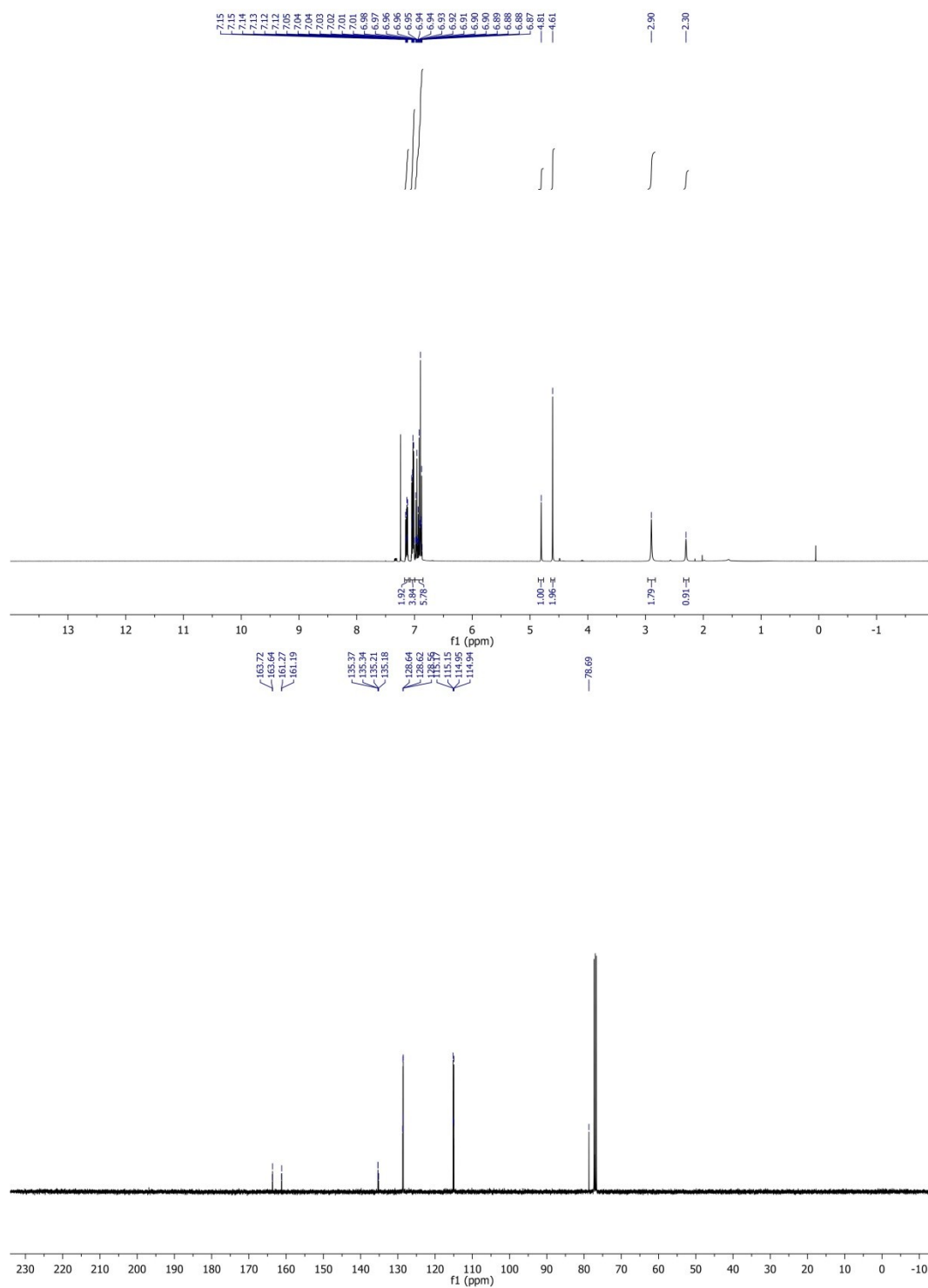
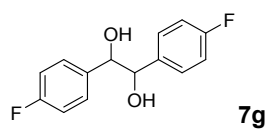


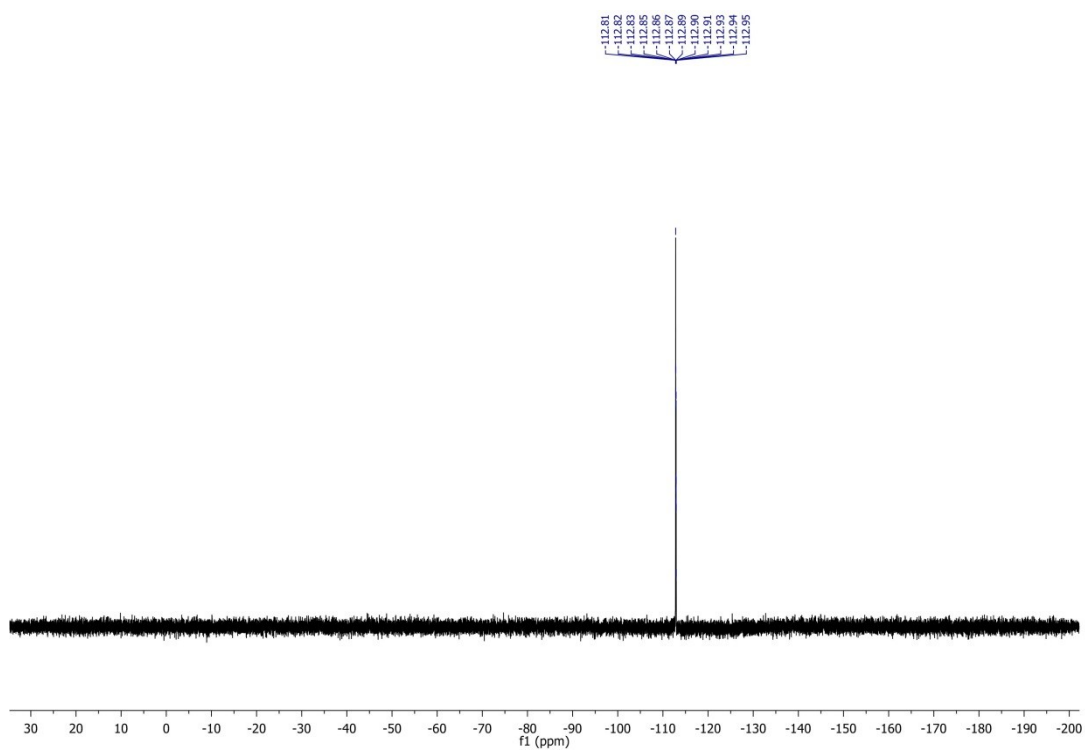




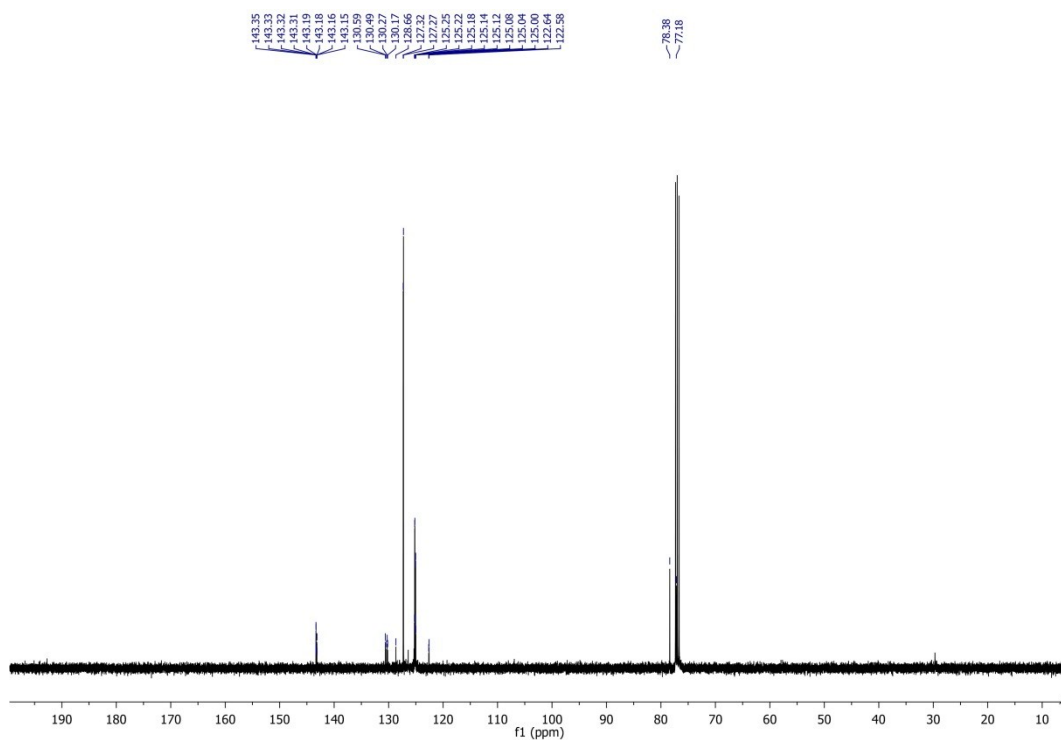
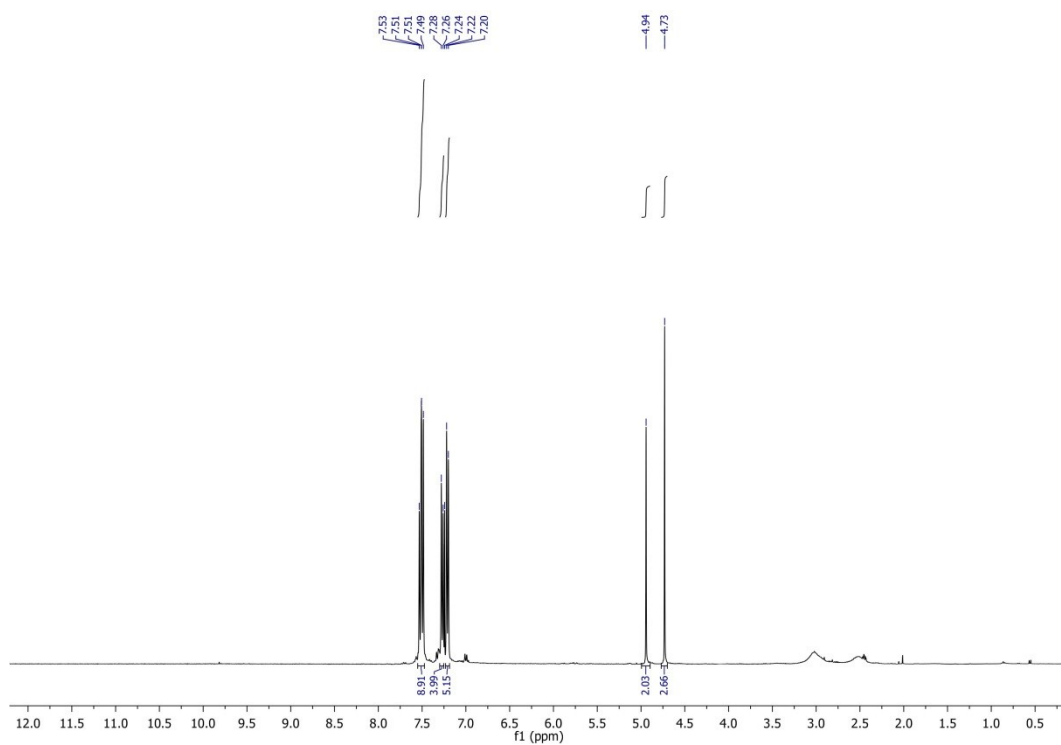
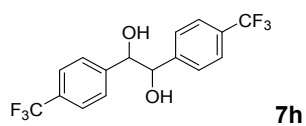


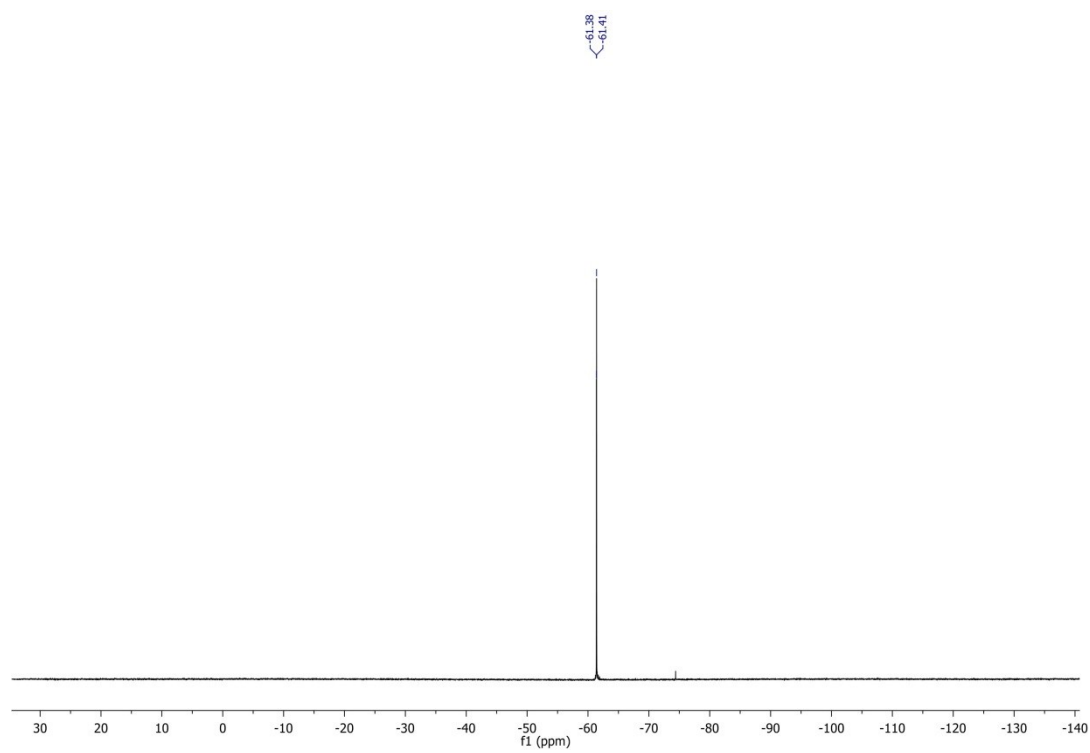


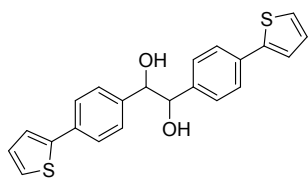




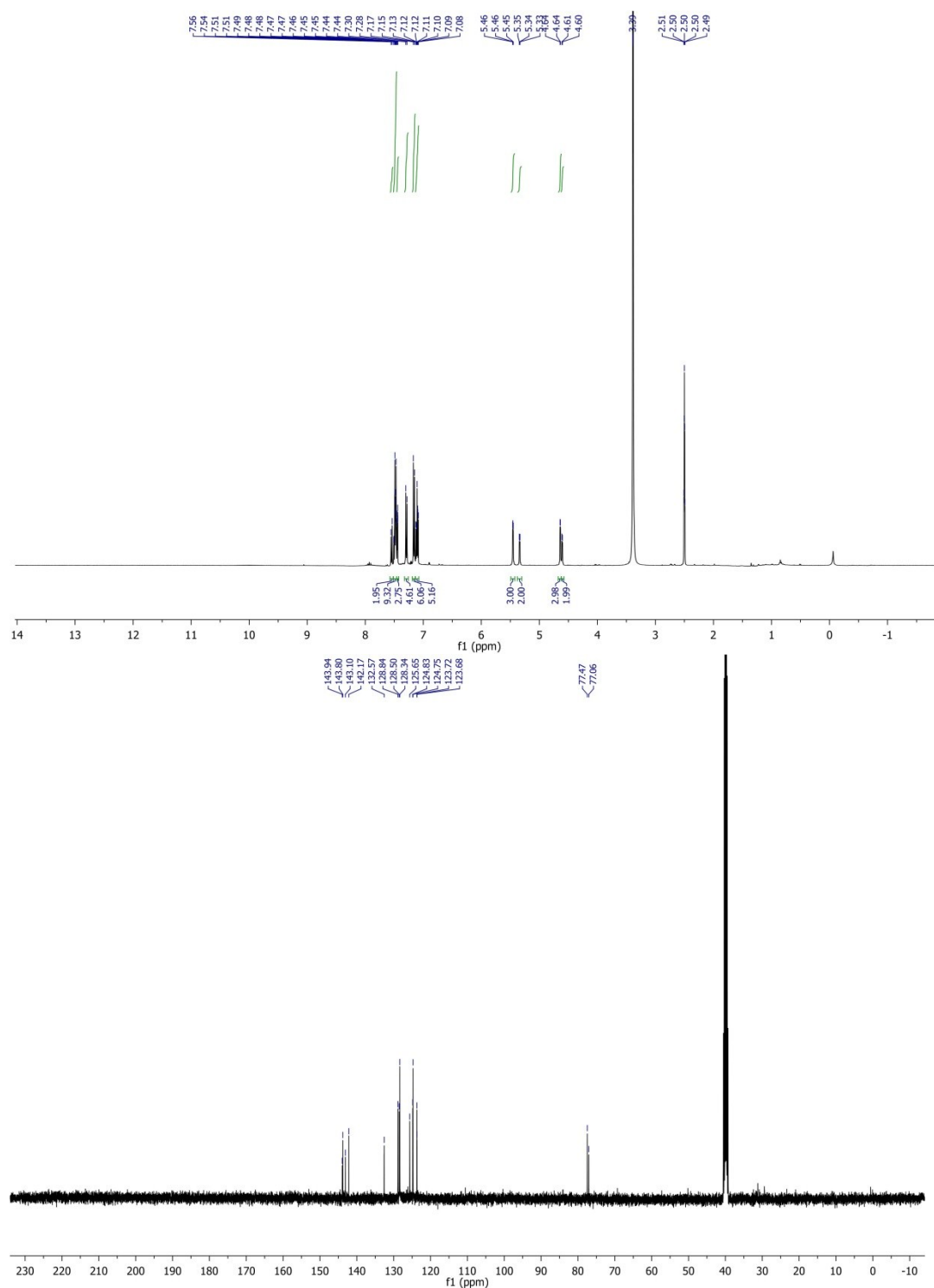


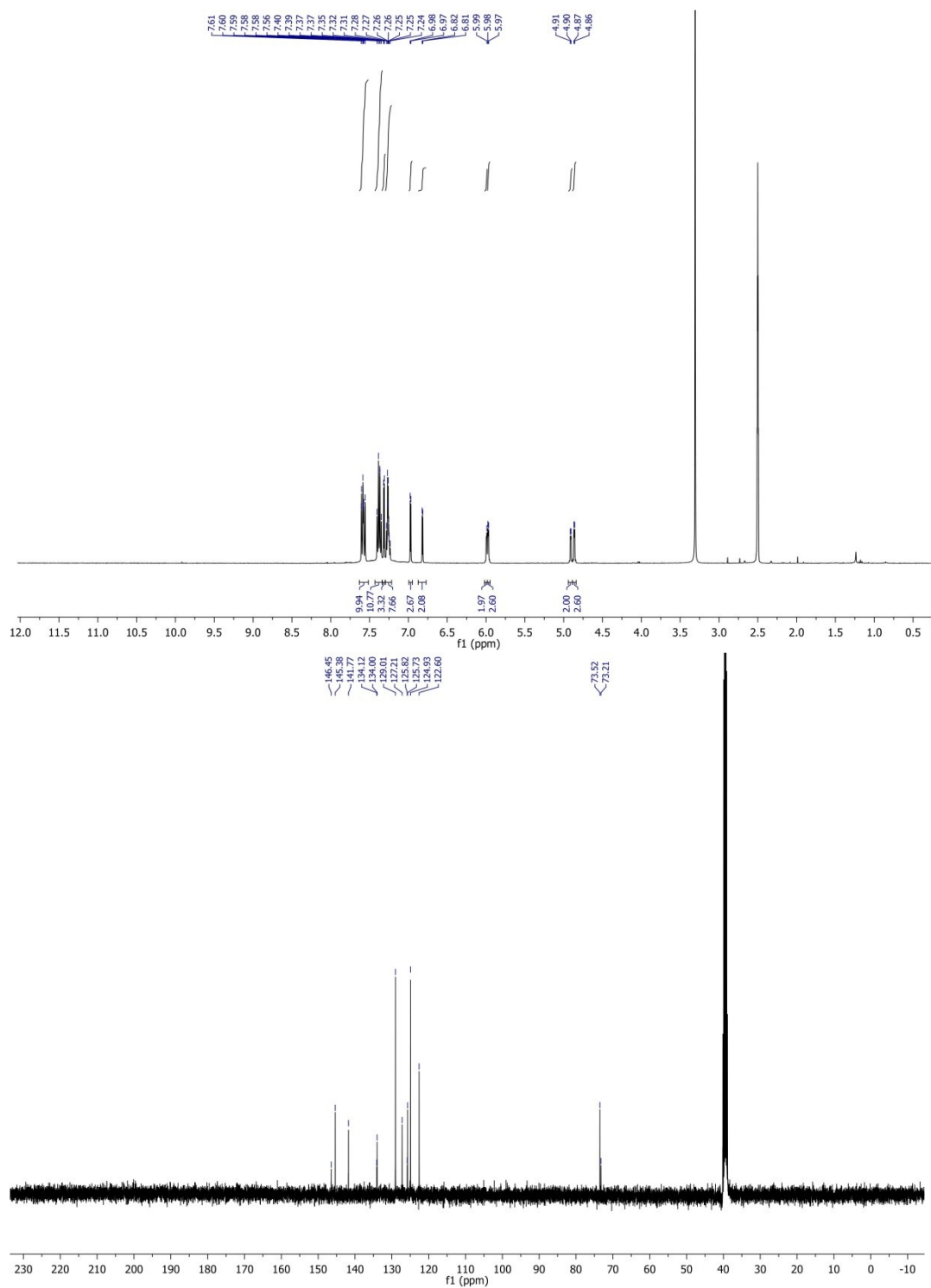
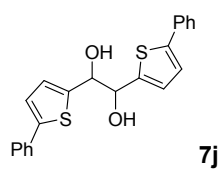


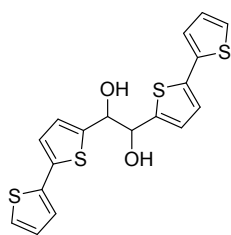




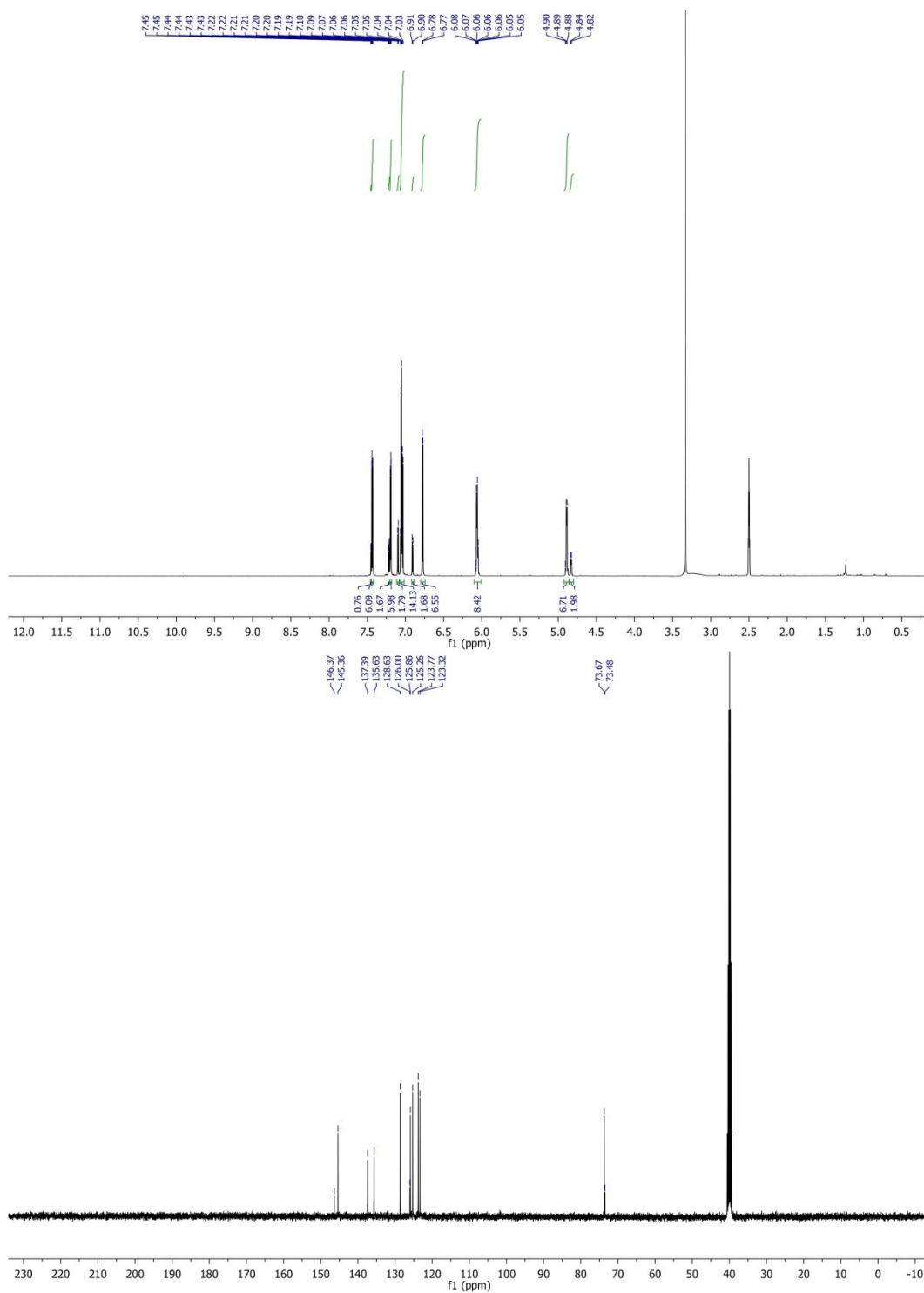
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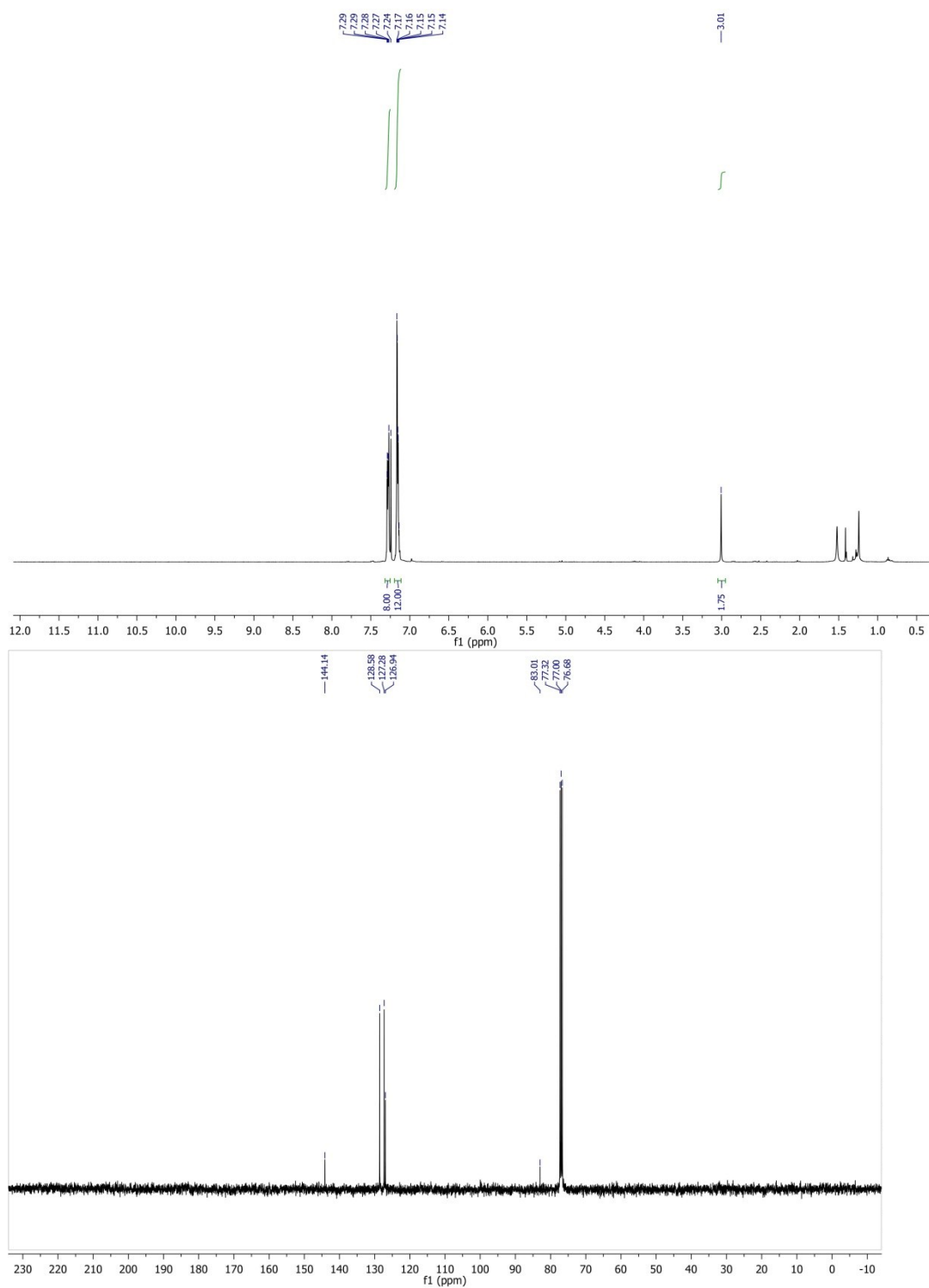
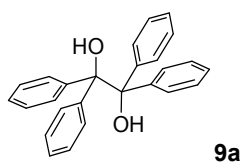


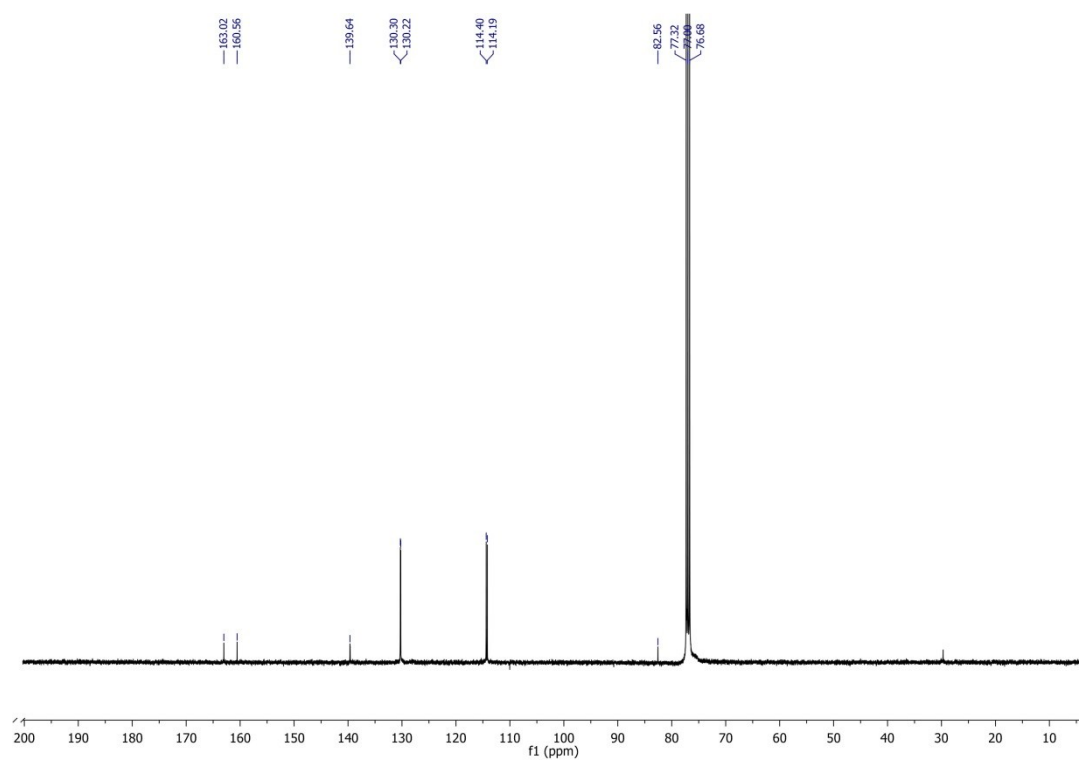
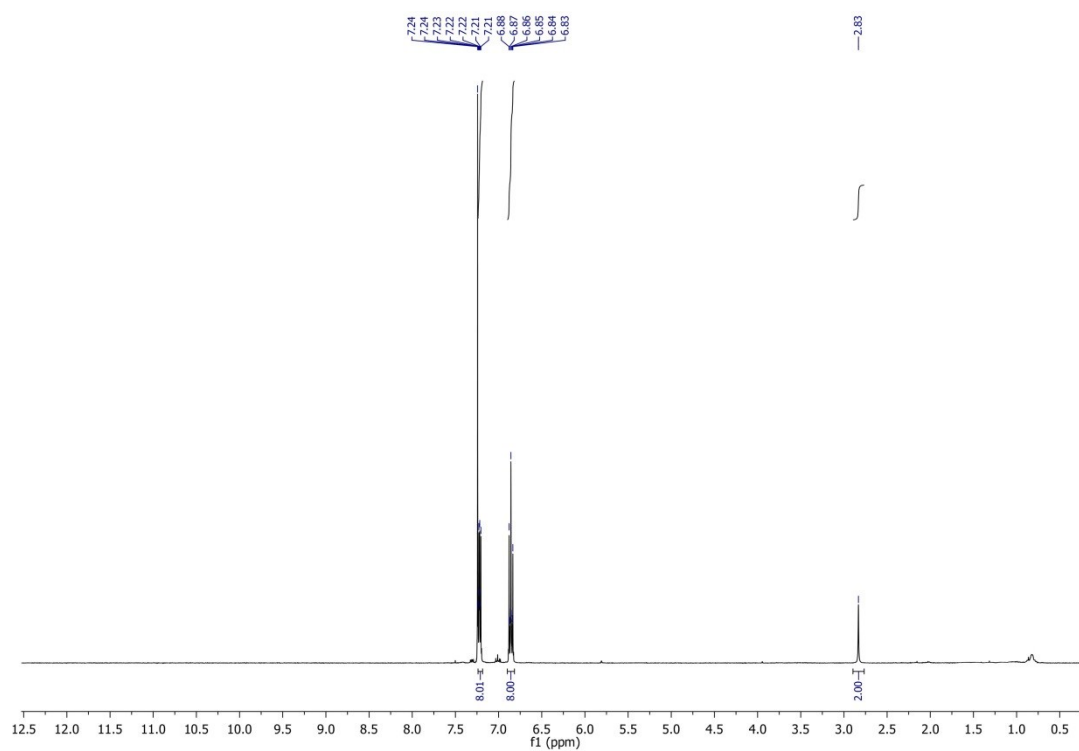
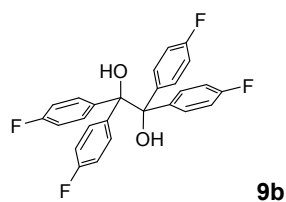


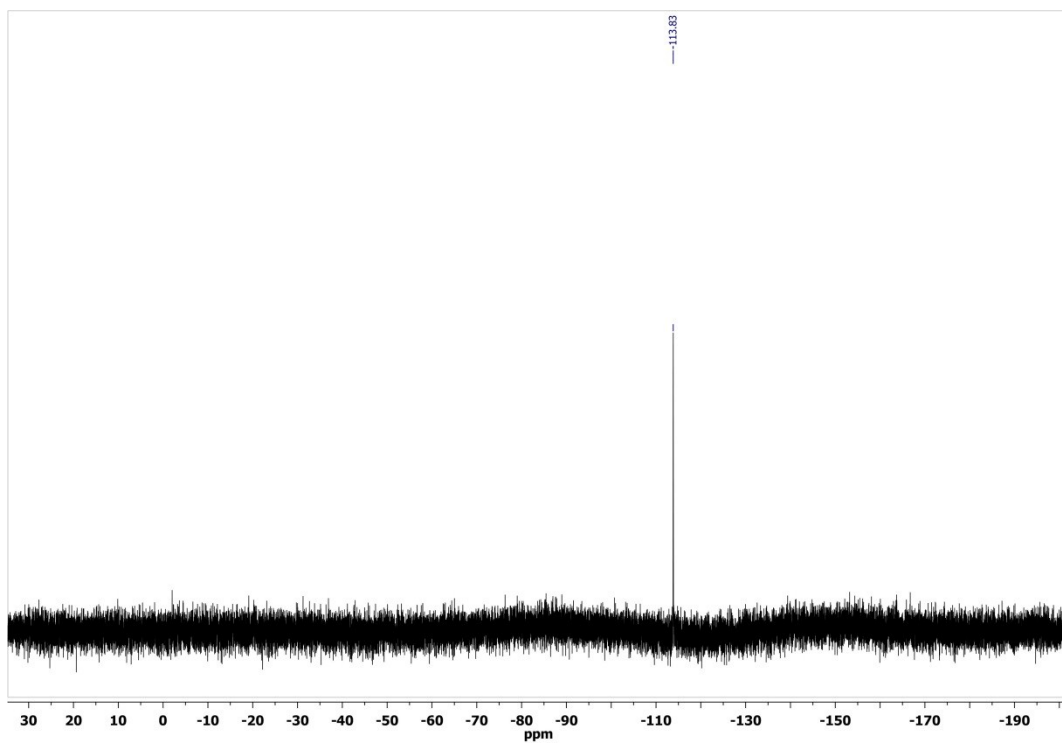


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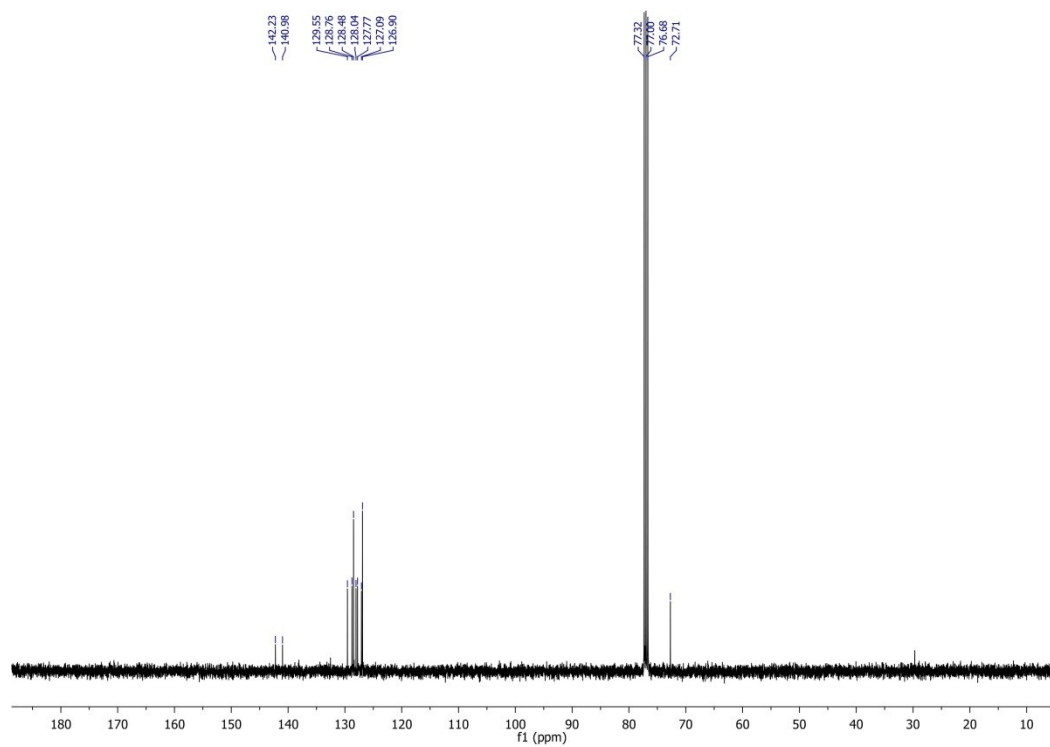
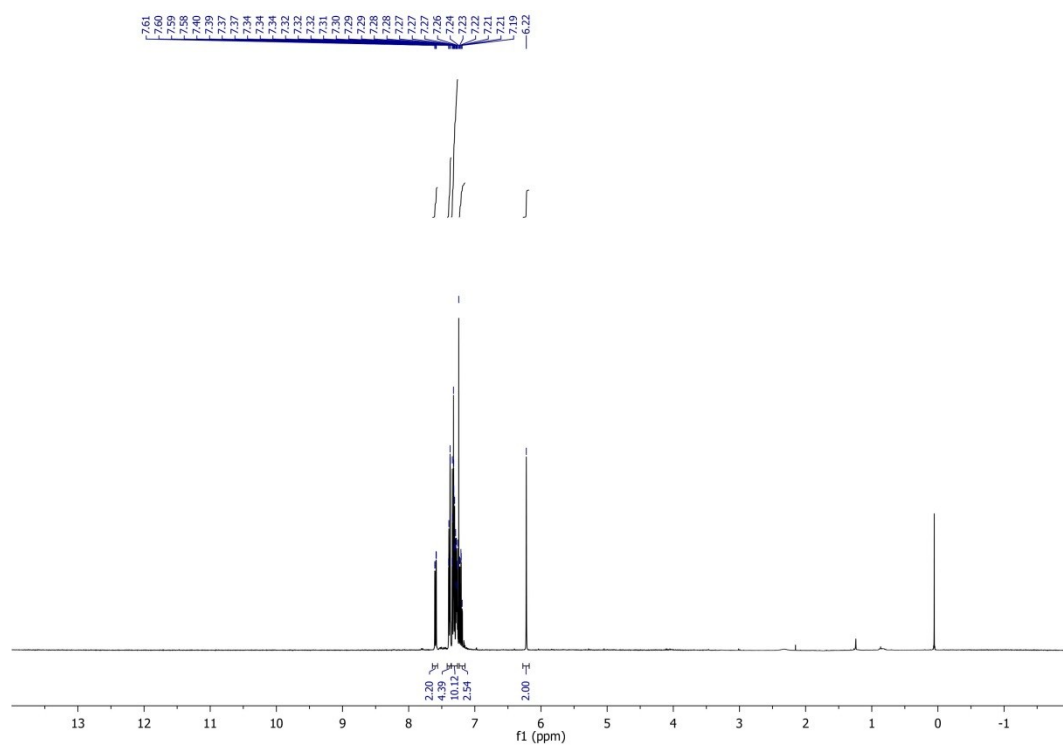
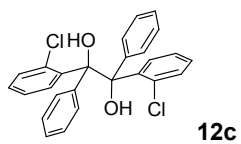


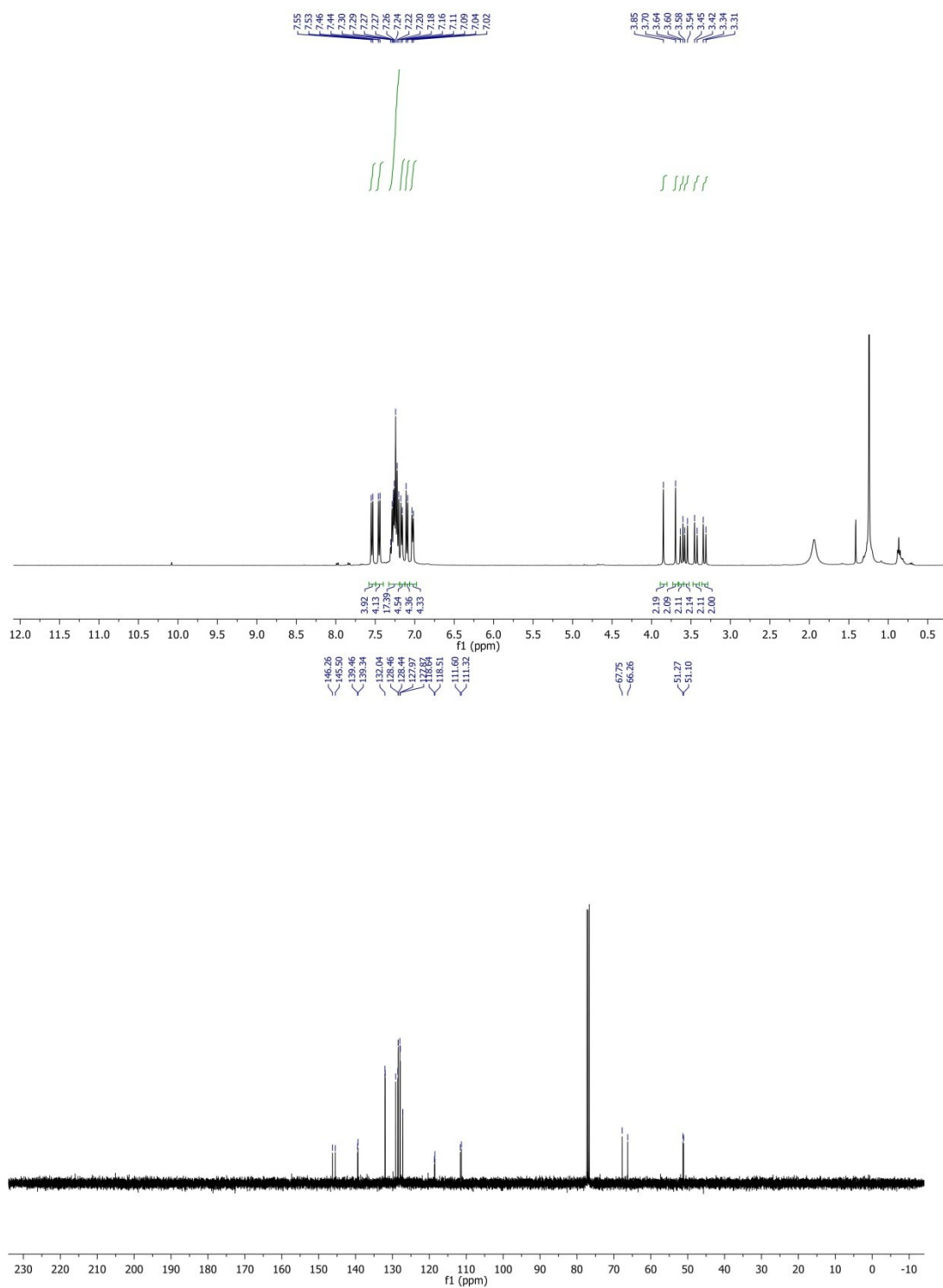
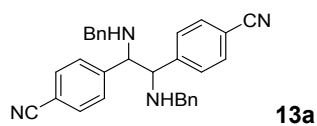


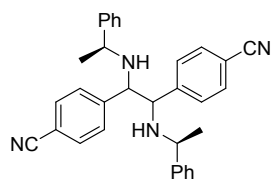




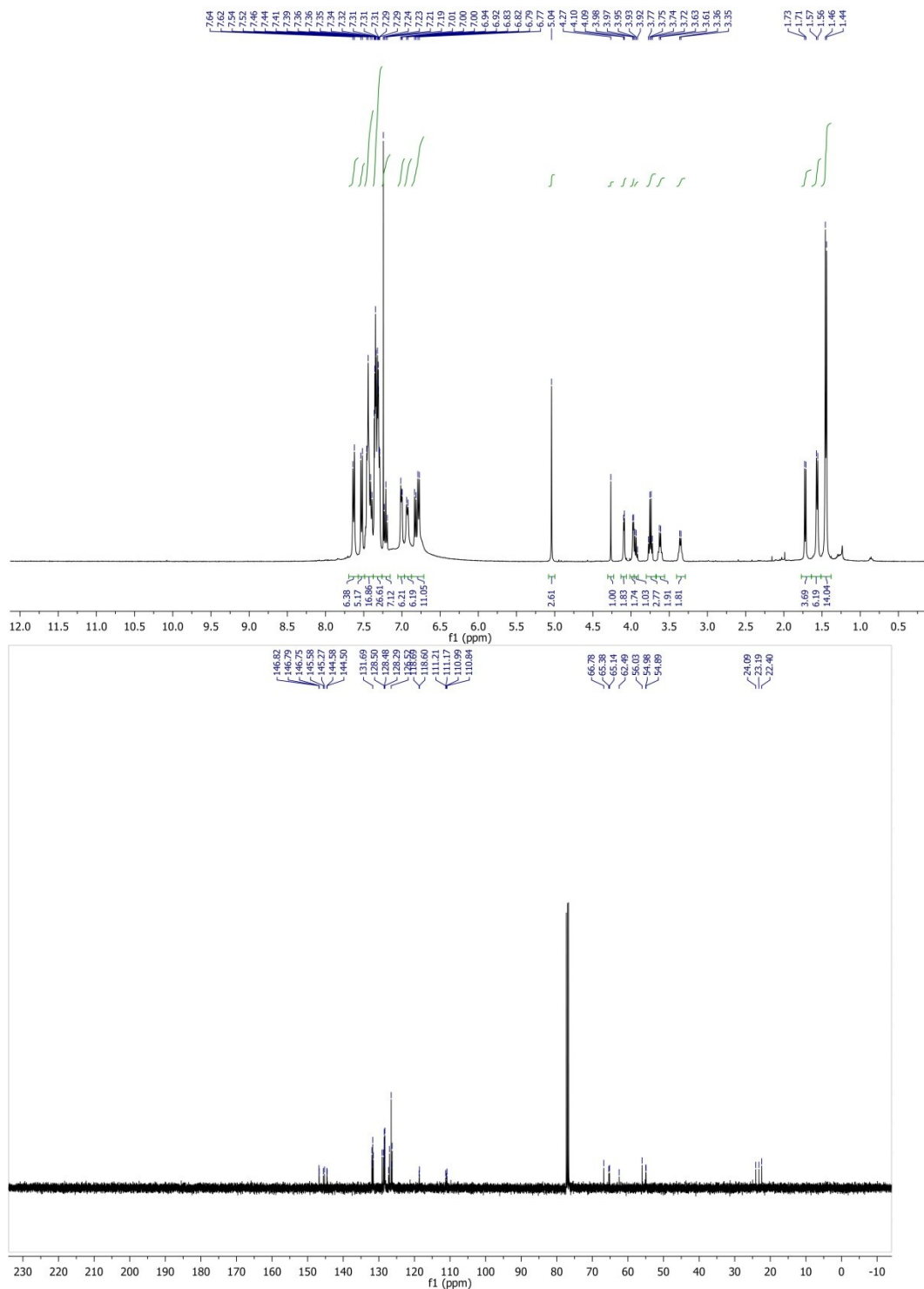


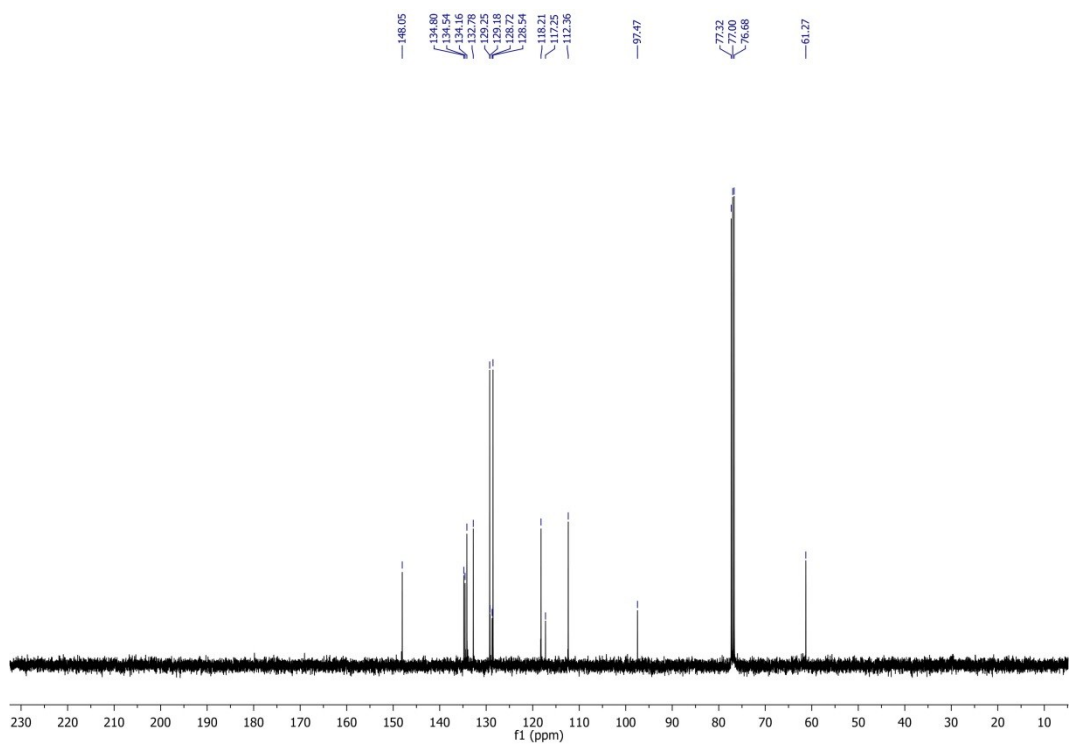
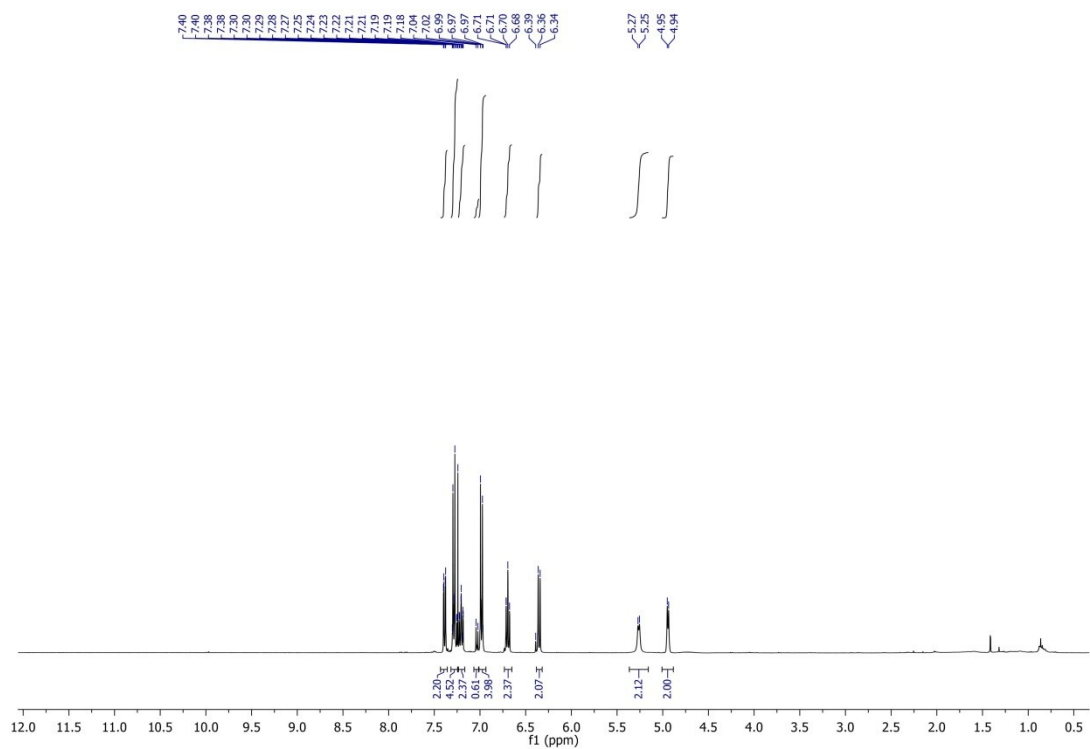
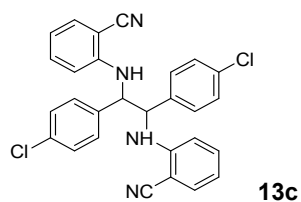


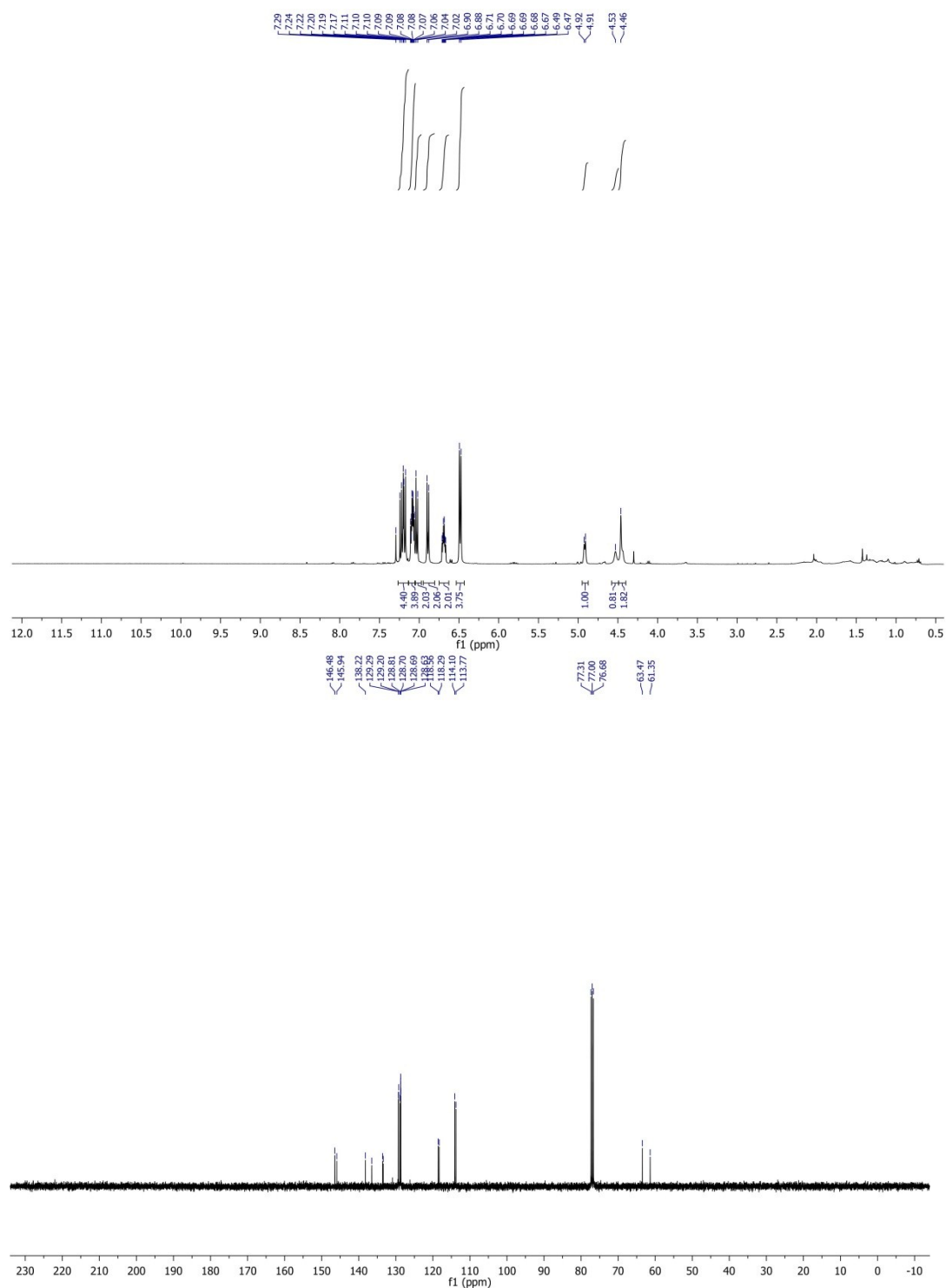
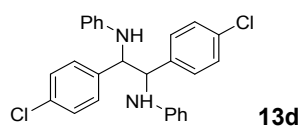


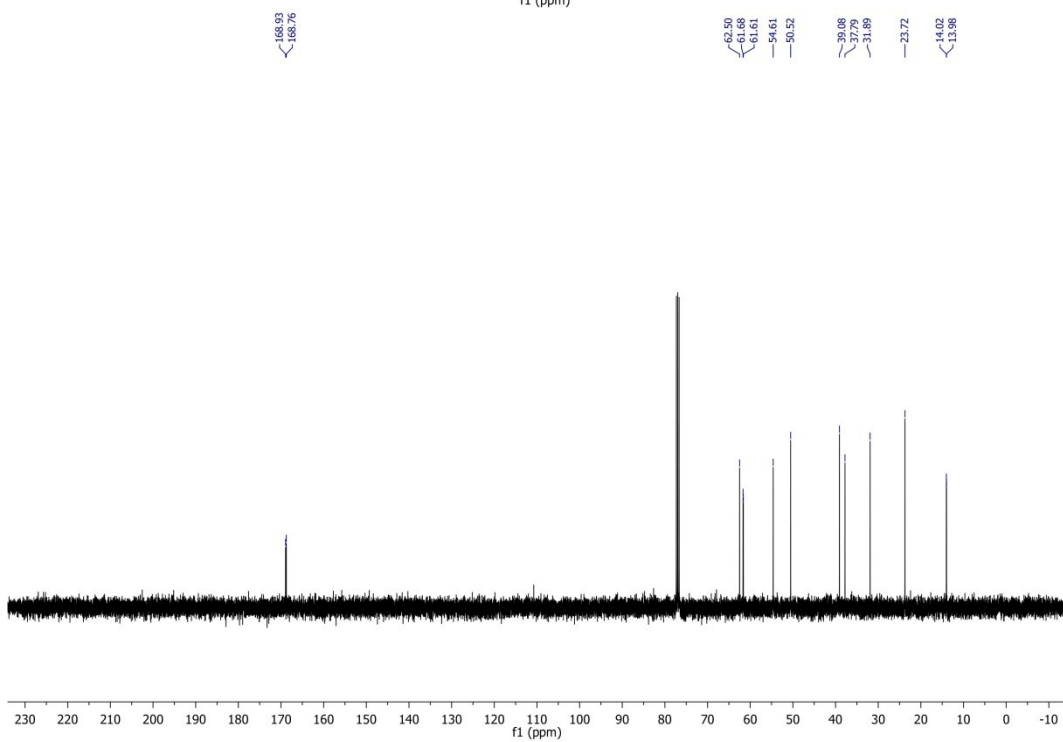
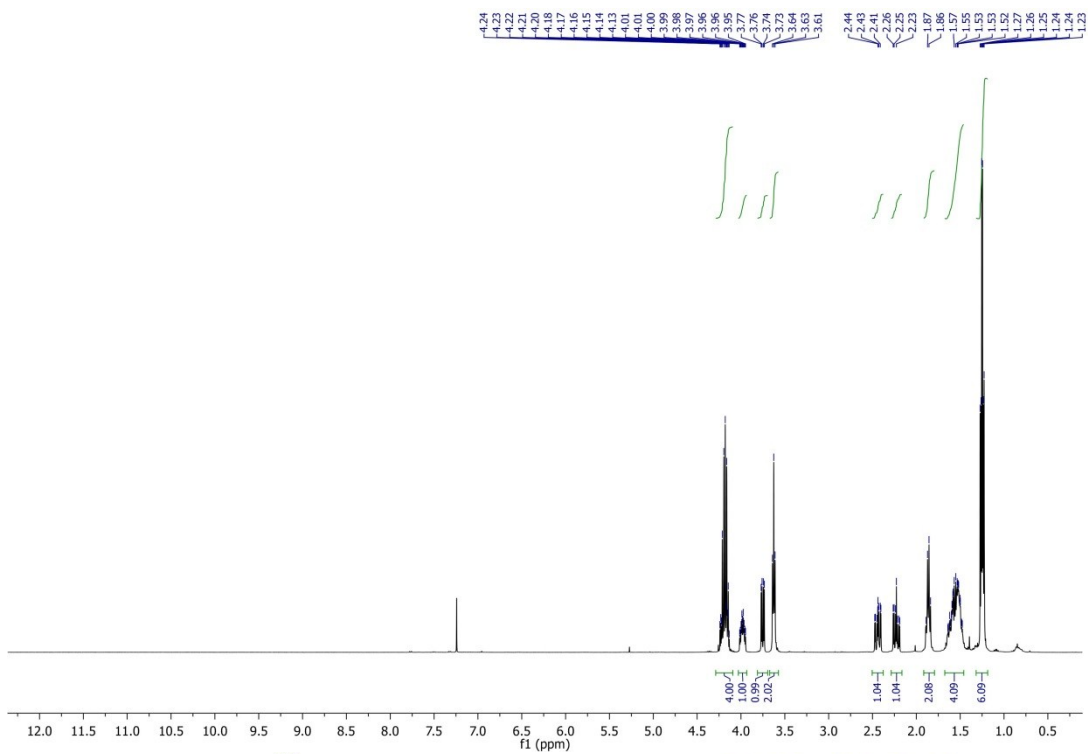
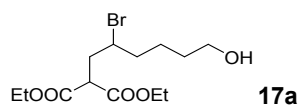


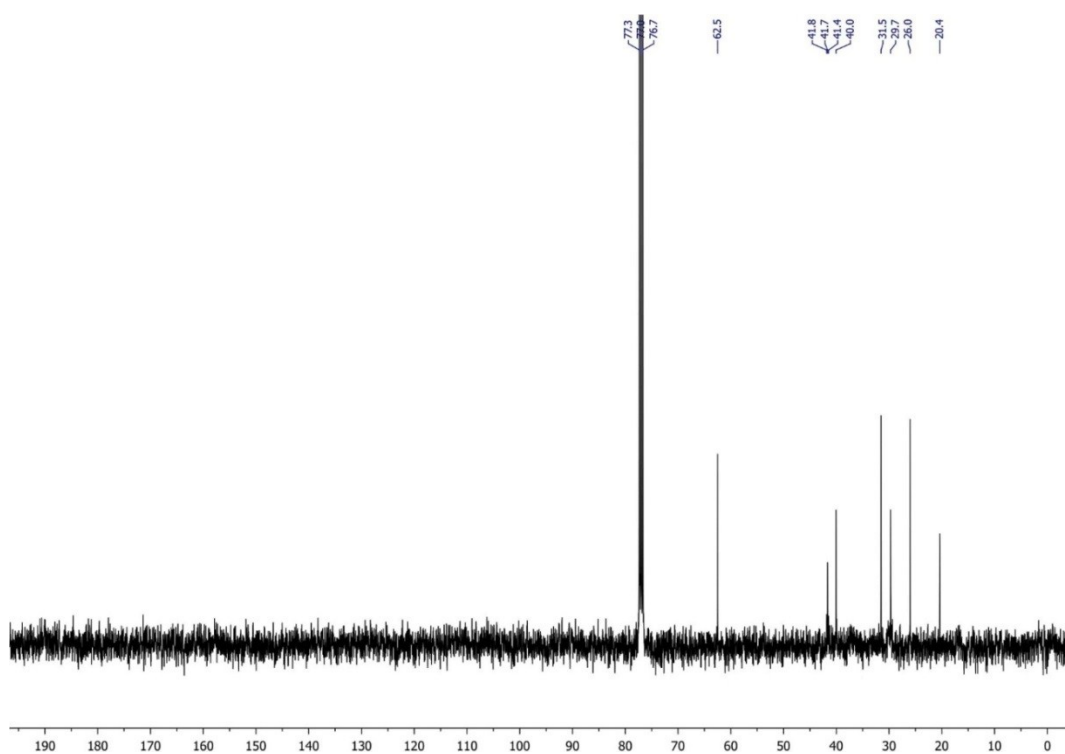
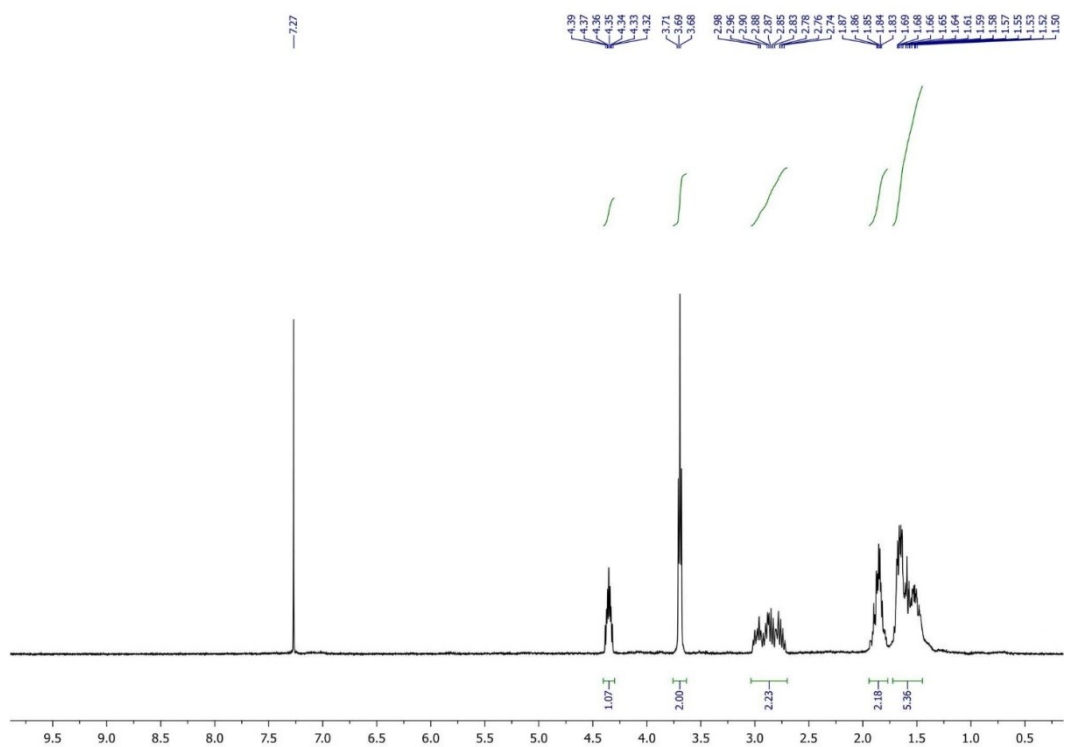
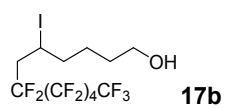
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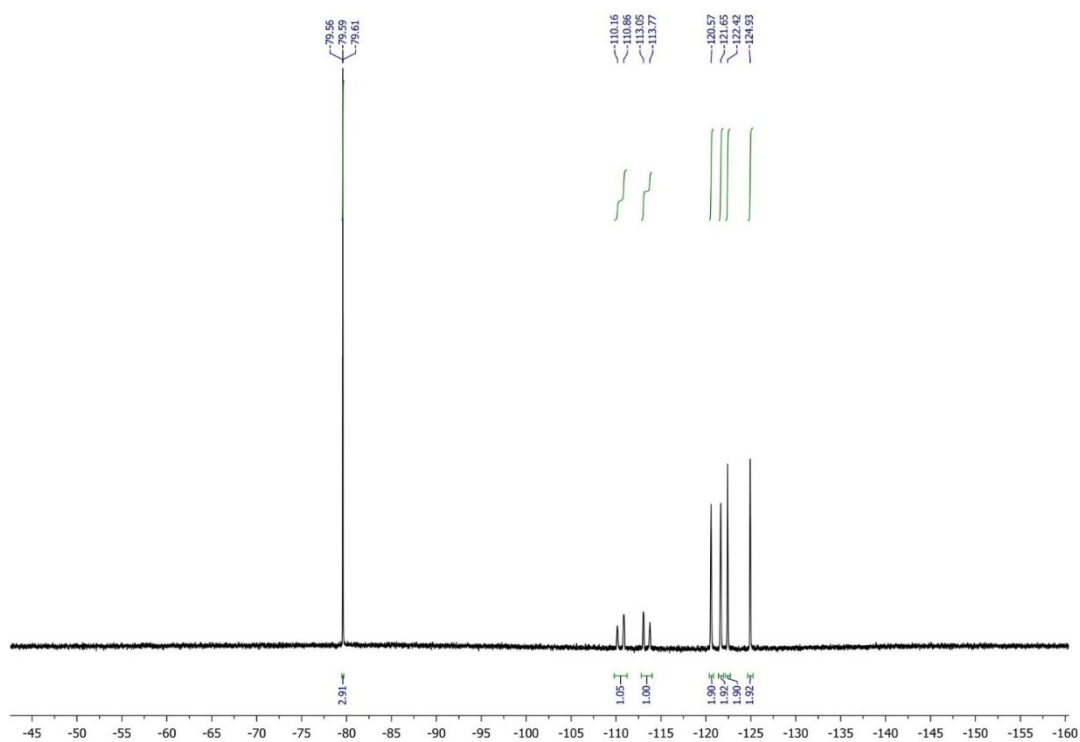




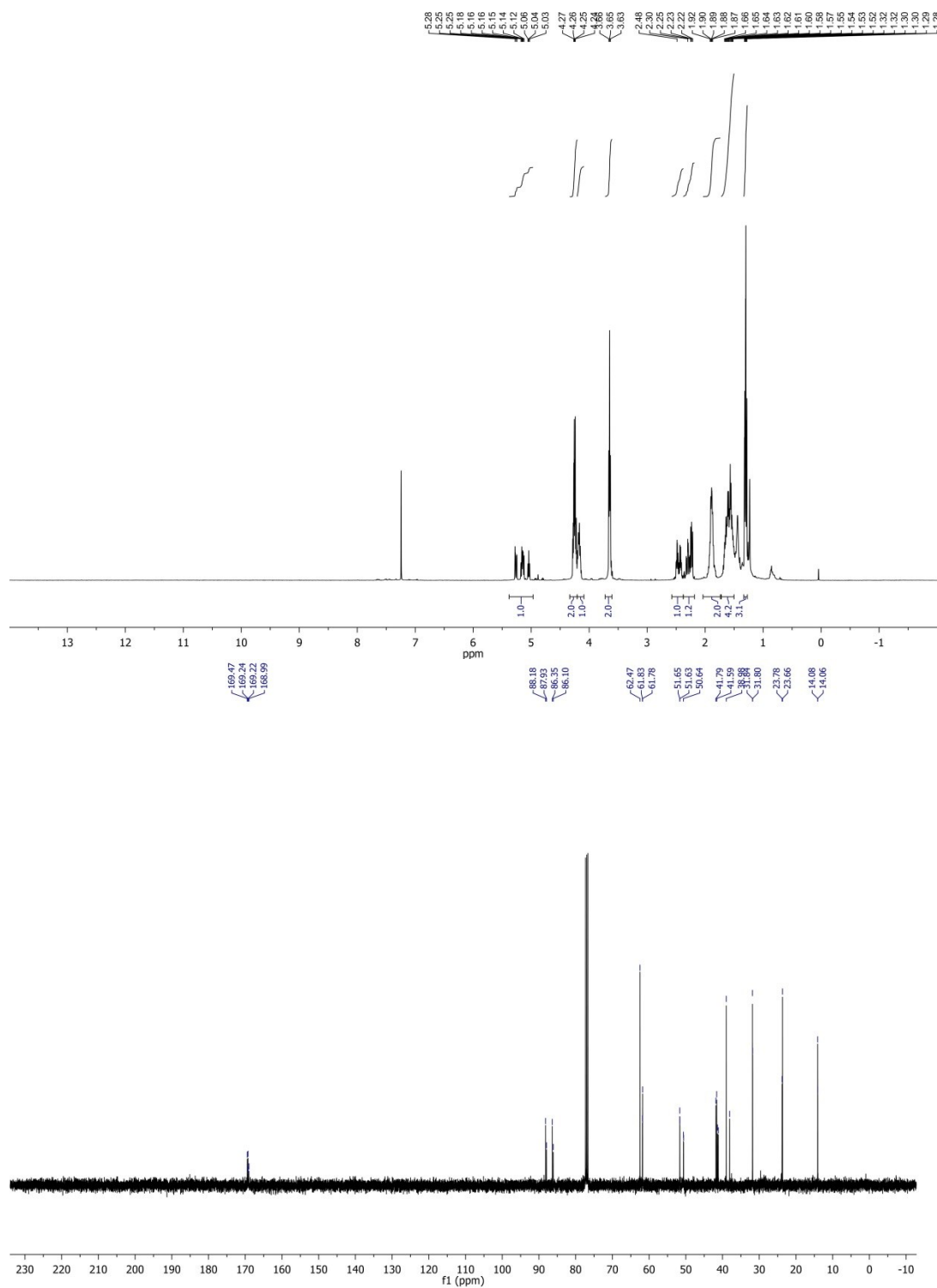
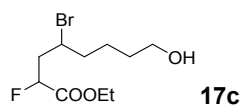


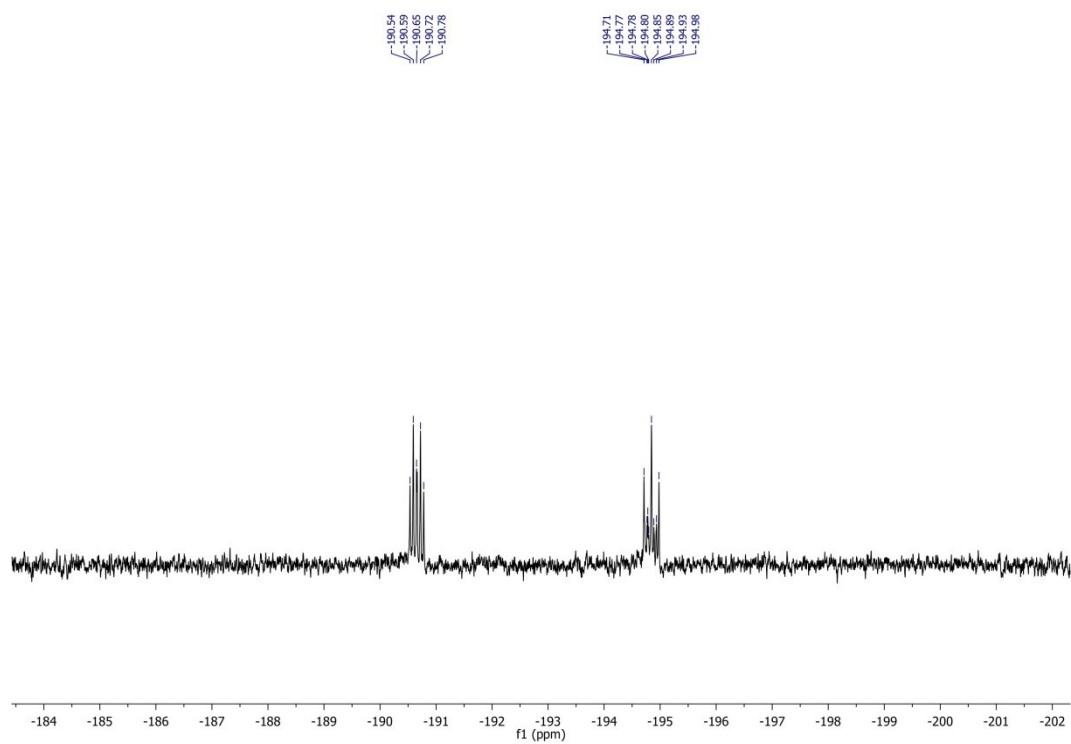


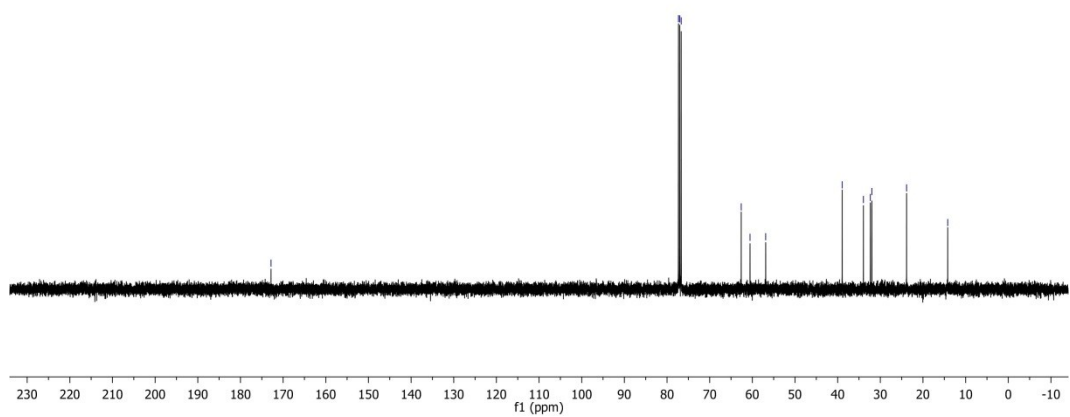
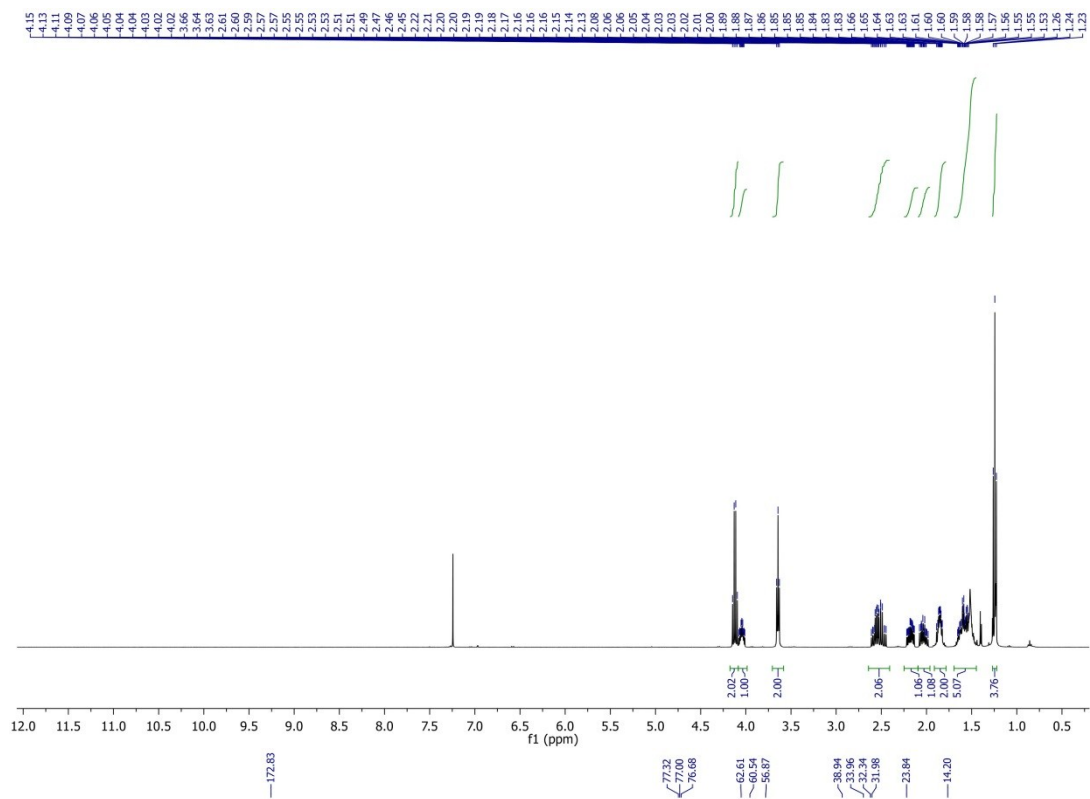
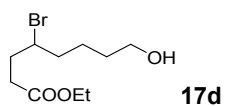


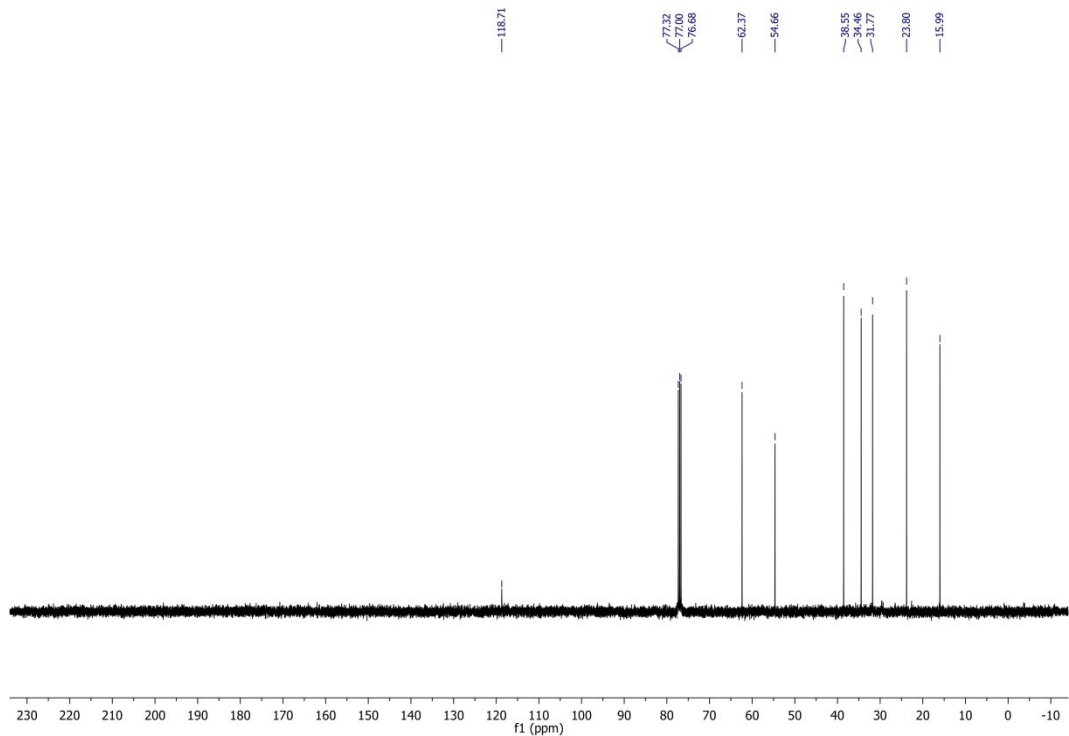
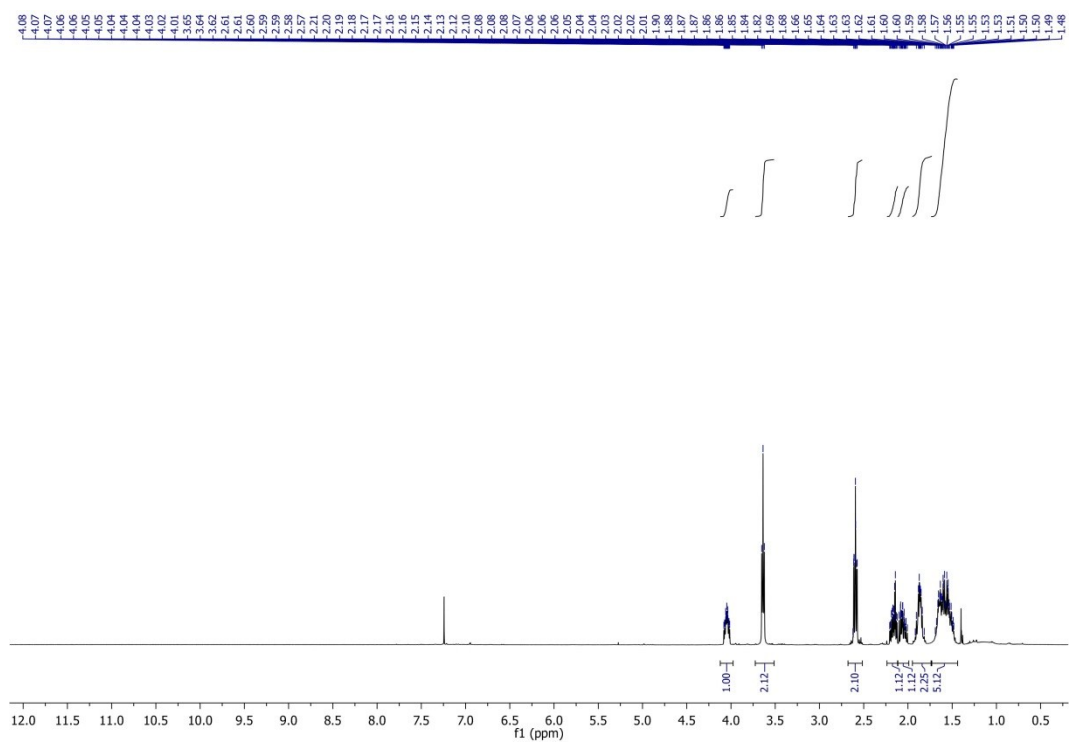
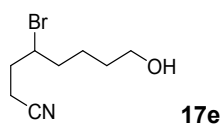


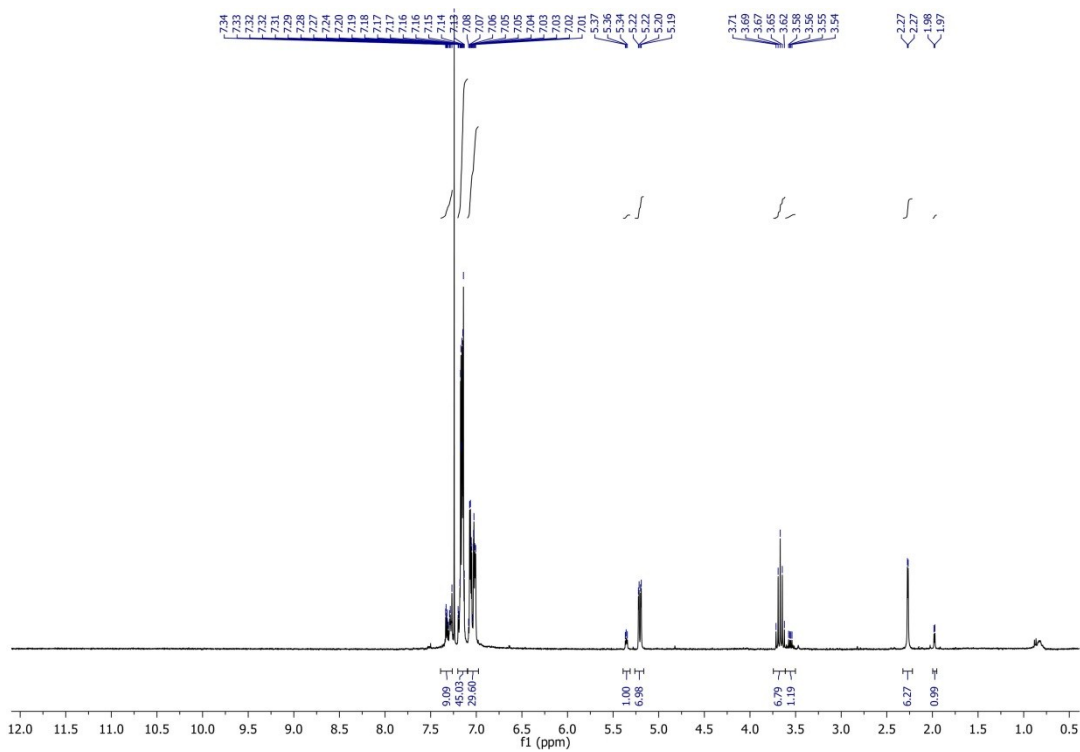


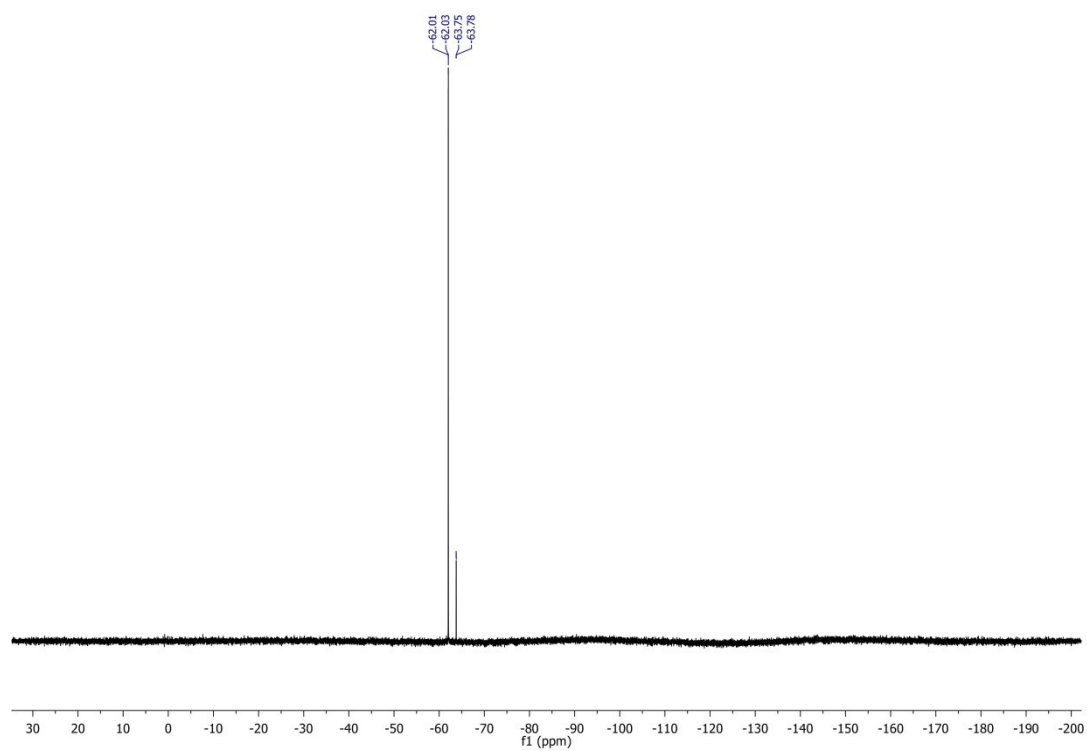


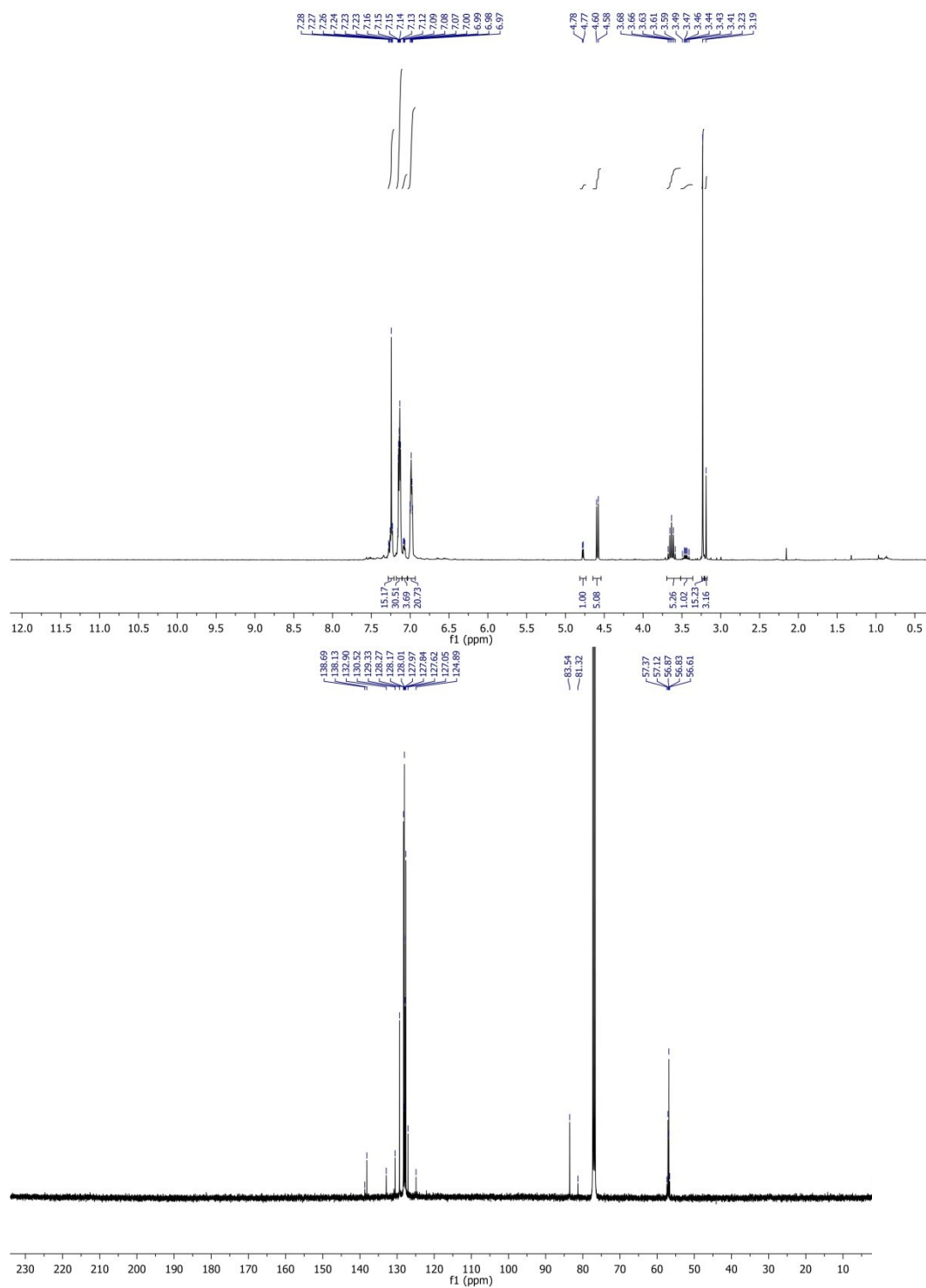
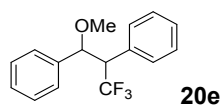


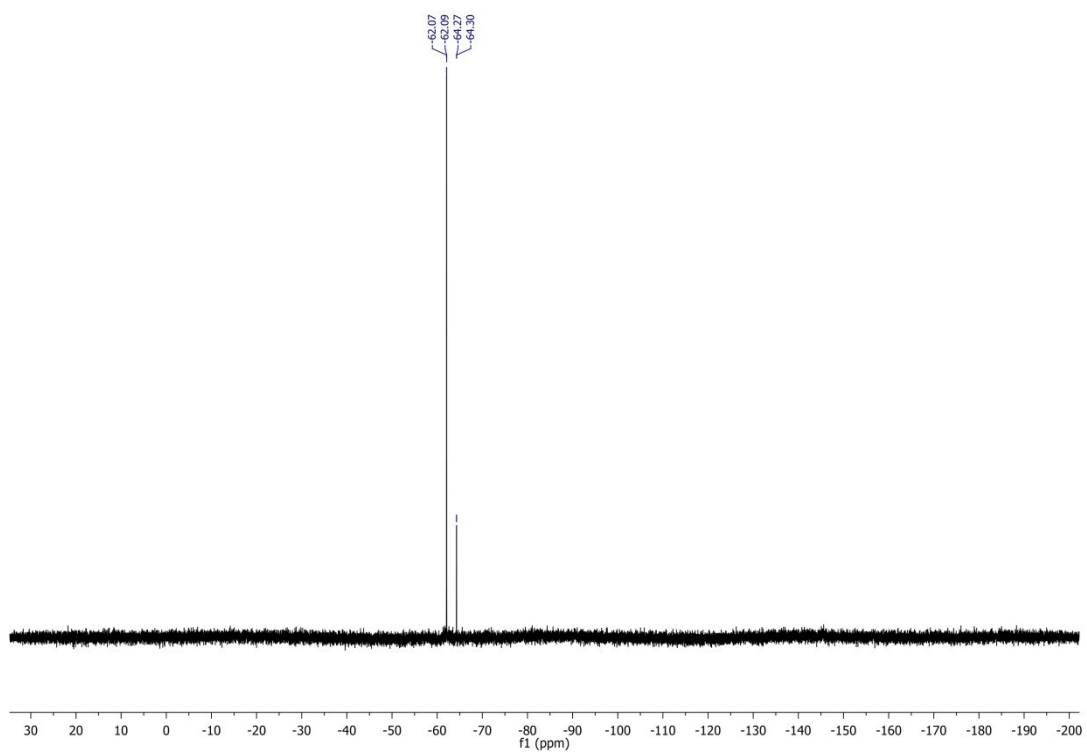




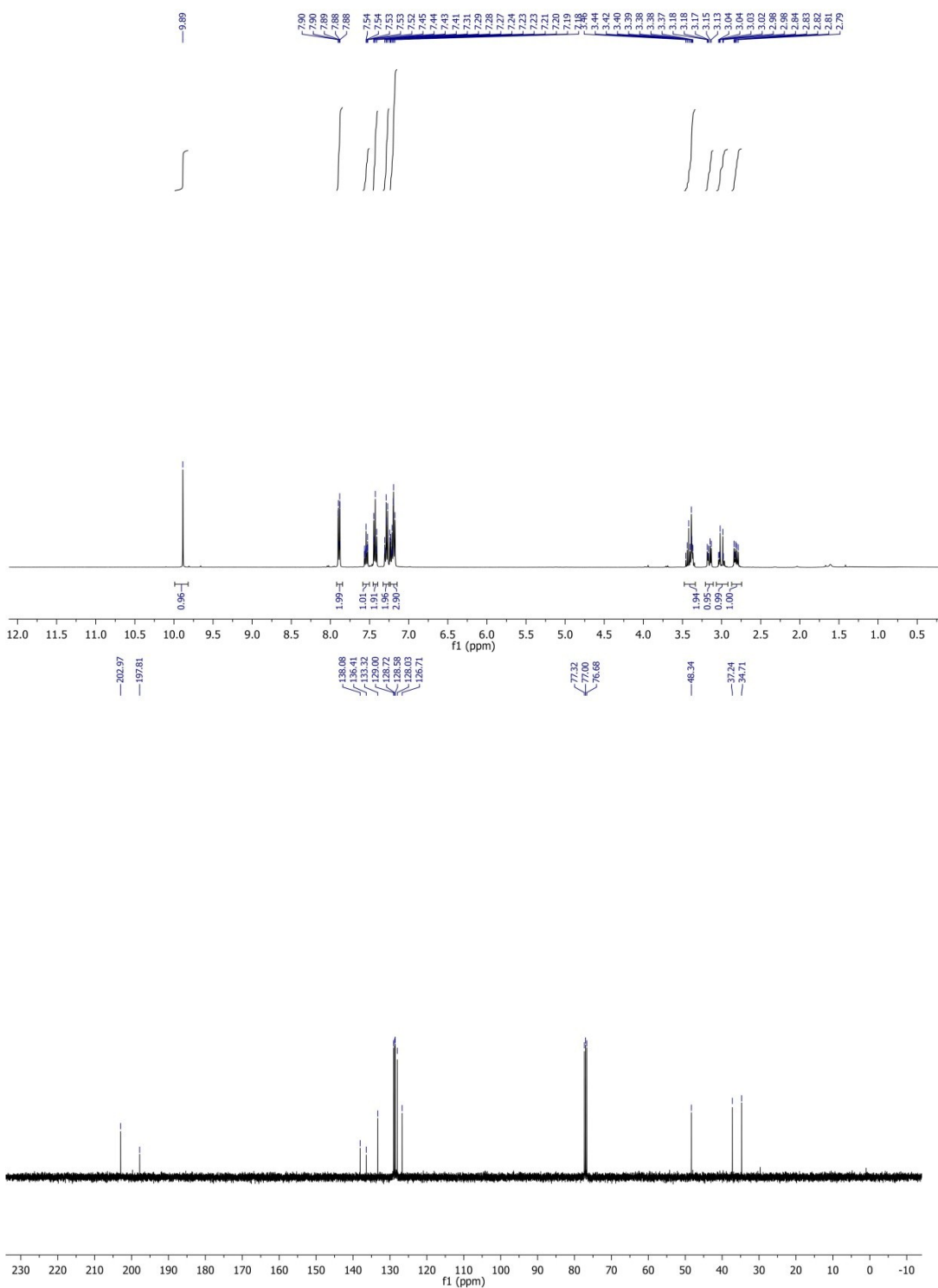


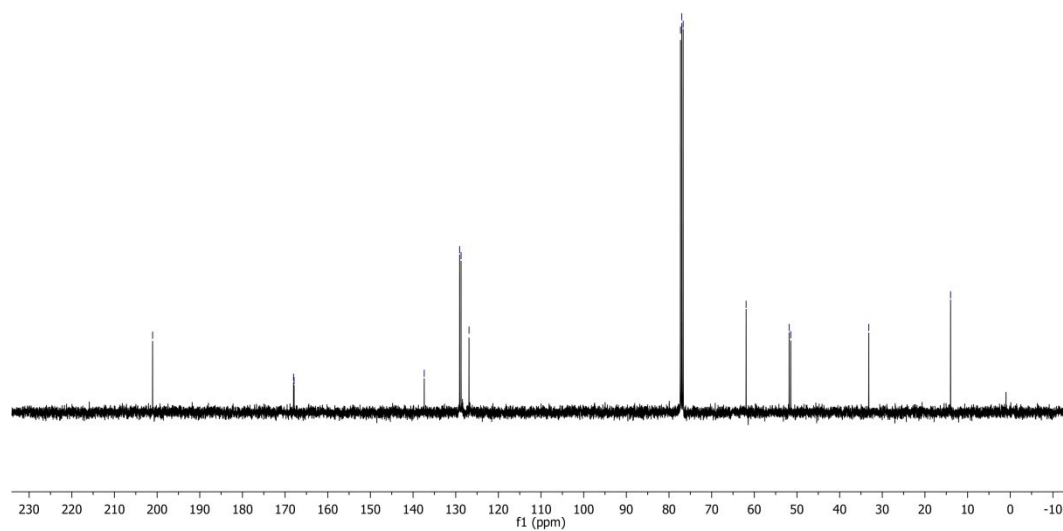
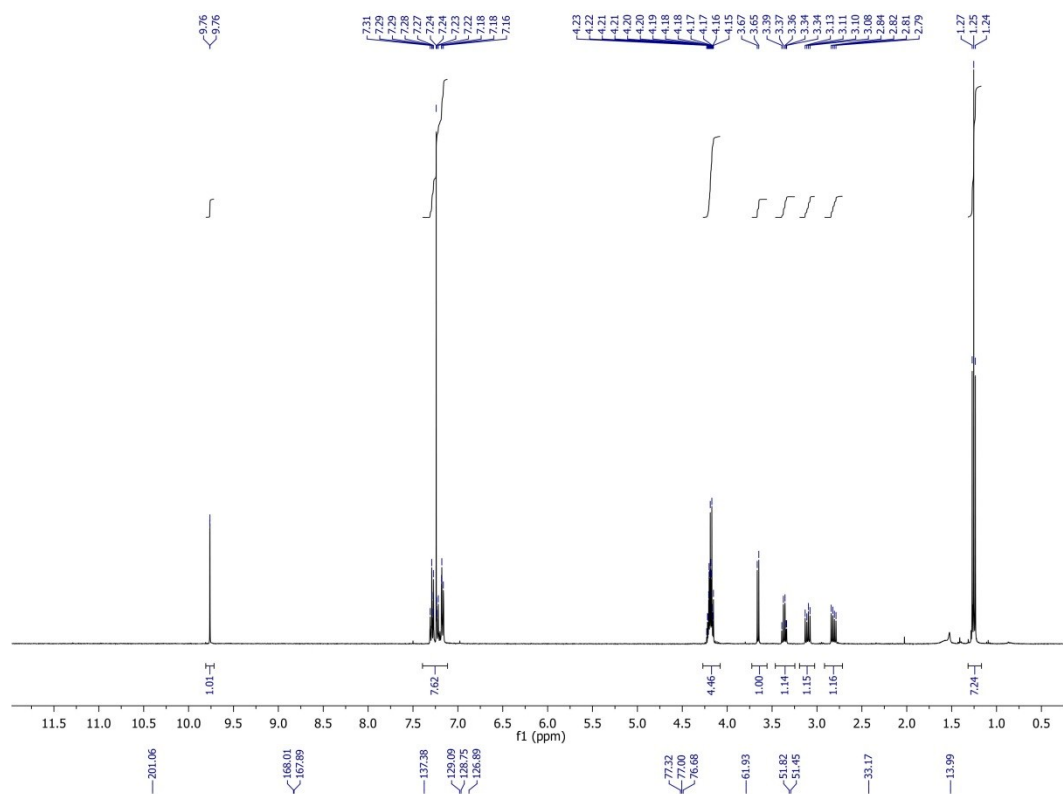
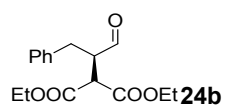




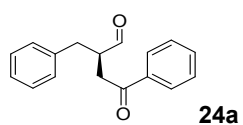




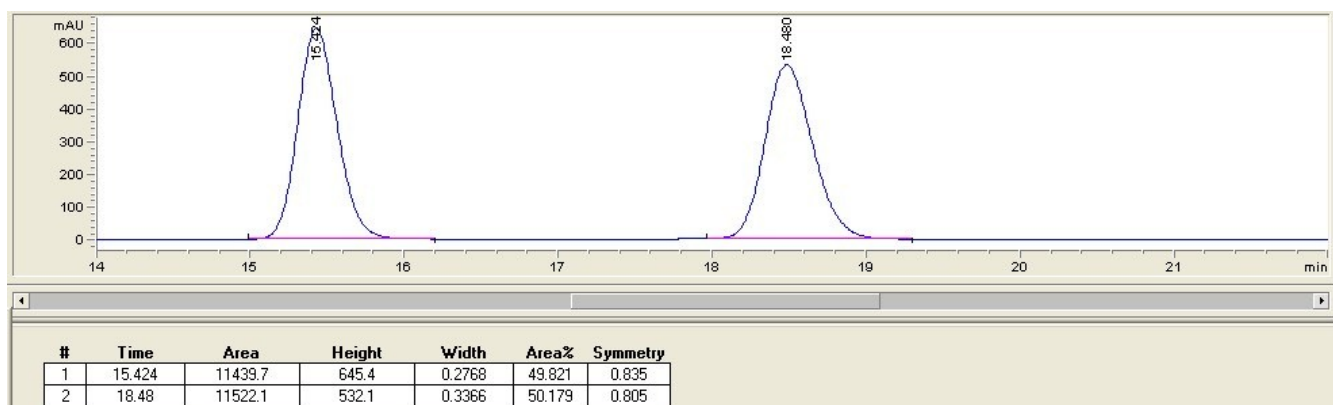




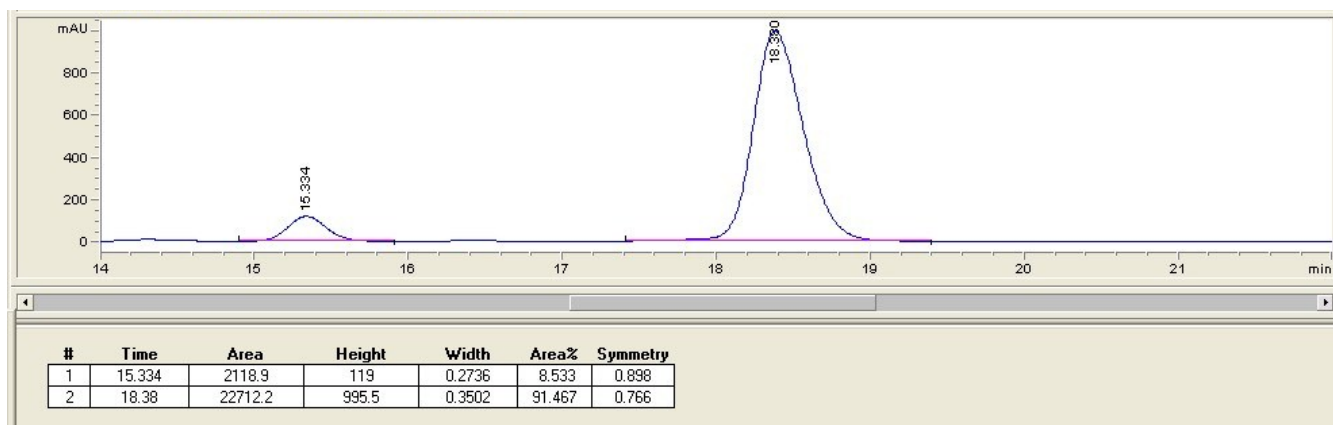
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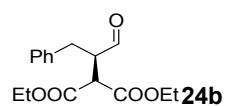


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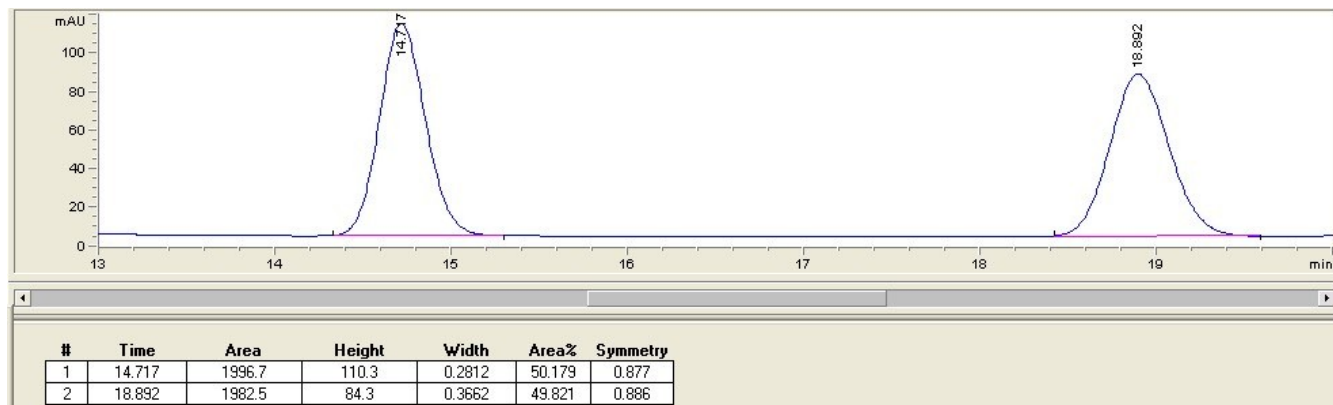


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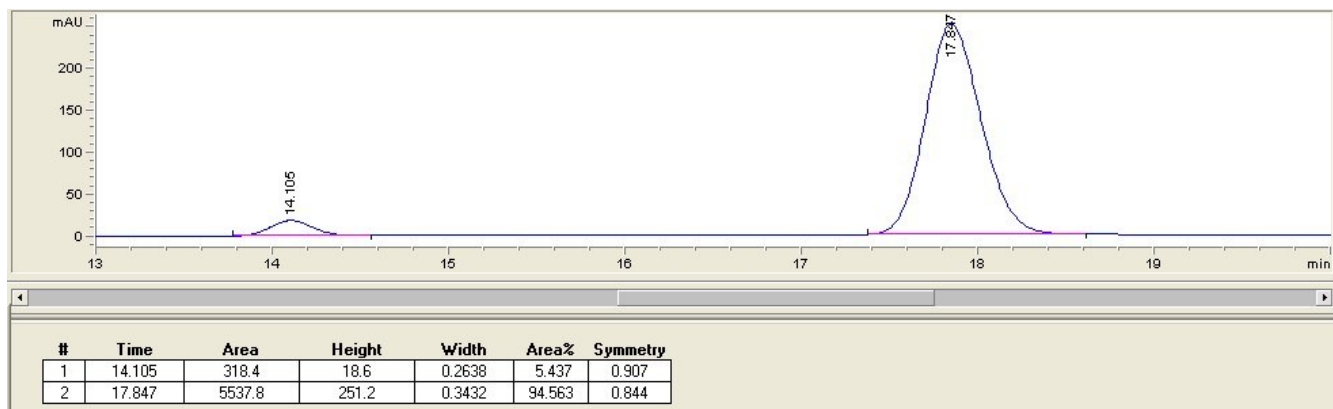




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GC-MS analysis of reductive protonation of bromoketones

