# **Supporting Information**

# Construction of Complex Bisether-Bridged Medium-Sized Cyclic Compounds from o-(1-(Acyloxy)propargyl)benzaldehydes under Base and Acid Catalysis

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### 1. Rreparation of reactants 1.

**Scheme S1.** Preparation of 2-(1-( acetyloxy)propargyl)benzaldehydes **1a-1j.** 

**Table S1.** The quantity of the reactant used and the chemical yield of each step in the preparation of **1a-1j.** 

I, X (mmol)	Yield			
	II	III	IV	1
<b>Ia</b> , H (20)	IIa, 95%, 4.96 g	IIIa, 87%, 3.44 g	IV, 91%, 2.51 g	<b>1a</b> , 86%, 1.57 g
		(from 4.92 g of <b>IIa</b> )	(from 2.06 g of <b>IIIa</b> )	(from 2.49 g of <b>IVa</b> )
<b>Ib</b> , 4-OMe (14)	<b>IIb</b> , 93%, 3.76 g	<b>IIIb</b> , 84%, 2.14 g	IVb, 89%, 2.45 g	<b>1b</b> , 85%, 1.58 g
		(from 3.09 g of <b>IIb</b> )	(from 2.14 g of <b>IIIb</b> )	(from 2.45g of <b>IVb</b> )
<b>Ic</b> , 4-Me (25.1)	<b>IIc</b> , 99%, 6.79 g	<b>IIIc</b> , 95%, 3.17 g	<b>IVc</b> , 89%, 3.36 g	<b>1c</b> , 83%, 1.88 g
		(from 4.1 g of <b>IIc</b> )	(from 2.89 g of <b>IIIc</b> )	(from 3.05 g of <b>IVc</b> )
<b>Id</b> , 4-Cl (30)	<b>IId</b> , 99%, 8.72 g	<b>IIId</b> , 85%, 6.13 g	<b>IVd</b> , 81%, 3.65 g	<b>1d</b> , 73%, 1.9 g
		(from 8.72 g of <b>IId</b> )	(from 3.52 g of <b>IIId</b> )	(from 3.42 g of <b>IVd</b> )
<b>Ie</b> , 4-F (24.1)	<b>IIe</b> , 89%, 5.94 g	IIIe, 92%, 4.16 g	<b>IVe</b> , 79%, 2.88 g	<b>1e</b> , 76%, 1.62 g
		(from 5.54 g of <b>IIe</b> )	(from 2.81 g of <b>IIIe</b> )	(from 2.85 g of <b>IVe</b> )
<b>If</b> , 4-CF <sub>3</sub> (20)	<b>IIf</b> , 91%, 5.95 g	<b>IIIf</b> , 73%, 3.63 g	<b>IVf</b> , 94%, 4.21 g	<b>1f</b> , 78%, 2 g
		(from 5.89 g of <b>IIf</b> )	(from 3.59 g of <b>IIIf</b> )	(from 3.27 g of <b>IVf</b> )
<b>Ig</b> , 5-OMe (18.6)	<b>IIg</b> , 96%, 5.16 g	<b>IIIg</b> , 88%, 3.36 g	<b>IVg</b> , 77%, 3.16 g	<b>1g</b> , 71%, 1.7 g
		(from 4.63 g of <b>IIg</b> )	(from 3.19 g of <b>IIIg</b> )	(from 3.16 g of <b>IVg</b> )
<b>Ih</b> , 5-Me (25)	<b>IIh</b> , 95%, 6.49 g	<b>IIIh</b> , 78%, 3.38 g	<b>IVh</b> , 83%, 3.49 g	<b>1h</b> , 71%, 1.84 g
		(from 5.33 g of <b>IIh</b> )	(from 3.22 g of <b>IIIh</b> )	(from 3.48 g of <b>IVh</b> )
<b>Ii</b> , 5-Cl (11.2)	<b>IIi</b> , 91%, 2.99 g	<b>IIIi</b> , 90%, 2.16 g	<b>IVi</b> , 85%, 2.17 g	<b>1i</b> , 74%, 1.21 g
		(from 2.91 g of <b>IIi</b> )	(from 1.99 g of <b>IIIi</b> )	(from 2.14 g of <b>IVi</b> )
<b>Ij</b> , 5-F (28.8)	<b>IIj</b> , 98%, 7.82 g	<b>IIIj</b> , 91%, 5.81 g	<b>IVj</b> , 94%, 4.4 g	<b>1j</b> , 83%, 2.67 g
		(from 7.82 g of <b>IIj</b> )	(from 3.6 g of <b>IIIj</b> )	(from 4.3 g of <b>IVj</b> )

Scheme S2. Preparation of 2-(1-(benzoyloxy)propargyl)benzaldehyde 1k.

### **Scheme S3**. Preparation of 2-(1-((*t*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)propargyl)benzaldehyde **11.**

### Scheme S4. Preparation of 2-(1-(acetyloxy)propargyl)-thiophene-3-carbaldehyde 1m.

### Scheme S5. Preparation of 2-(1-(acetyloxy)propargyl)nicotinaldehyde 1n.

### 2. Crystal data and structure refinements for products 3a, 4a, 7a, 8a and 9a.

Crystals of compound  $\bf 3a$  were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of  $\bf 3a$  in dichloromethane and n-hexane. Single crystal X-ray diffraction intensity data of compound  $\bf 3a$  was collected on a 'XtaLAB Synergy R, DW system, HyPix' diffractometer equipped with graphite monochromatized CuKa ( $\lambda = 1.54184$  Å) at 100 K. The structure was solved by the program ShelXL (Sheldrick, 2015) and refined with the program ShelXT (Sheldrick, 2015). The crystal data and structure refinement results for compound  $\bf 3a$  are listed in the Table S2.

**Table S2.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **3a** (CCDC 1919071).

Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for 3a (CCDC 19190/1).		
Identification code	20190104a	
Empirical formula	$C_{24}H_{20}O_6$	
Formula weight	404.40	
Temperature/K	100.00(10)	
Crystal system	orthorhombic	
Space group	Pbca	
a/Å	20.3439(4)	
b/Å	8.3230(2)	
c/Å	22.9542(5)	
α/°	90	
β/°	90	
γ/°	90	
$Volume/\mathring{A}^3$	3886.66(15)	
Z	8	
$\rho_{calc} (g/cm^3)$	1.382	
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.822	
F(000)	1696.0	
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.3\times0.03\times0.01$	
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$	
$2 \theta$ range for data collection/°	7.702 to 151.186	
Index ranges	$-25 \le h \le 25, -9 \le k \le 10, -25 \le l \le 28$	
Reflections collected	13714	
Independent reflections	3887 [ $R_{int} = 0.0325$ , $R_{sigma} = 0.0320$ ]	
Data/restraints/parameters	3887/0/273	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.075	
Final R indexes [I $\geq 2\sigma$ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0378$ , $wR_2 = 0.0940$	
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0434$ , $wR_2 = 0.1000$	
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.24/-0.25	

Crystals of compound **4a** were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of **4a** in dichloromethane and n-hexane. Single crystal X-ray diffraction intensity data of compound **4a** was collected on a SuperNova (Dual, Cu at home/near, AtlasS2) diffractometer equipped with graphite monochromatized CuKa ( $\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ Å}$ ) at 100 K. The structure was solved by the program ShelXL (Sheldrick, 2015) and refined with the program ShelXT (Sheldrick, 2015). The crystal data and structure refinement results for compound **4a** are listed in the Table S3.

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for 4a (CCDC 1919076).

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for 4a (CCDC 1919076).		
Identification code	20181018a	
Empirical formula	$C_{24}H_{20}O_6$	
Formula weight	404.40	
Temperature/K	100.00(10)	
Crystal system	monoclinic	
Space group	$P2_1/c$	
a/Å	20.7497(5)	
b/Å	9.0408(2)	
c/Å	10.2972(3)	
α/°	90	
β/°	99.140(3)	
γ/°	90	
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	1907.17(9)	
Z	4	
$\rho_{calc}$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.408	
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.838	
F(000)	848.0	
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.2\times0.2\times0.15$	
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$	
$2 \theta$ range for data collection/°	8.632 to 143.812	
Index ranges	$-23 \le h \le 25, -10 \le k \le 10, -12 \le l \le 6$	
Reflections collected	12879	
Independent reflections	$3699 \; [R_{int} = 0.0341,  R_{sigma} = 0.0301]$	
Data/restraints/parameters	3699/0/273	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.027	
Final R indexes $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0383, wR_2 = 0.0939$	
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0476$ , $wR_2 = 0.1007$	
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-3	0.29/-0.29	

Crystals of compound **7a** were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of **7a** in dichloromethane and n-hexane. Single crystal X-ray diffraction intensity data of compound **7a** was collected on a 'XtaLAB Synergy R, DW system, HyPix' diffractometer equipped with graphite monochromatized CuK $\alpha$  ( $\lambda$  = 1.54184 Å) at 100 K. The structure was solved by the program ShelXT (Sheldrick, 2015) and refined with the program ShelXL (Sheldrick, 2015). The crystal data and structure refinement results for compound **7a** are listed in the Table S4.

**Table S4.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **7a** (CCDC 1919079).

<b>Table 54.</b> Crystal data and structure refinement for 7 <b>a</b> (CCDC 1919079).		
Identification code	20190305a	
Empirical formula	$C_{22}H_{18}O_5$	
Formula weight	362.36	
Temperature/K	100.00(10)	
Crystal system	monoclinic	
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	
a/Å	16.8387(4)	
b/Å	6.7800(2)	
c/Å	15.4079(4)	
α/°	90	
β/°	106.205(3)	
γ/°	90	
$Volume/Å^3$	1689.17(8)	
Z	4	
$\rho_{calc}$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.425	
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.831	
F(000)	760.0	
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.3\times0.08\times0.05$	
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$	
$2\theta$ range for data collection/°	5.466 to 150.914	
Index ranges	$-21 \le h \le 21, -5 \le k \le 8, -19 \le l \le 17$	
Reflections collected	11399	
Independent reflections	$3382 \; [R_{int} = 0.0444,  R_{sigma} = 0.0435]$	
Data/restraints/parameters	3382/0/245	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.077	
Final R indexes $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1=0.0460, wR_2=0.1211$	
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0557, wR_2 = 0.1291$	
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-3	0.26/-0.29	

Crystals of compound **8a** were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of **8a** in acetone and n-hexane. Single crystal X-ray diffraction intensity data of compound **8a** was collected on a 'XtaLAB Synergy R, DW system, HyPix' diffractometer equipped with graphite monochromatized CuK $\alpha$  ( $\lambda$  = 1.54184 Å) at 100 K. The structure was solved by the program ShelXT (Sheldrick, 2015) and refined with the program ShelXL (Sheldrick, 2015). The crystal data and structure refinement results for compound **8a** are listed in the Table S5.

**Table S5.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **8a** (CCDC 1919096).

Identification code	20190520c
Empirical formula	$C_{22}H_{18}O_6$
Formula weight	378.36
Temperature/K	100.00(10)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a/Å	8.10270(10)
b/Å	27.9899(5)
c/Å	7.55070(10)
α/°	90
β/°	101.480(2)
γ/°	90
$Volume/Å^3$	1678.19(4)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.498
$\mu/mm^{-1}$	0.909
F(000)	792.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.12\times0.1\times0.08$
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
$2 \theta$ range for data collection/°	6.316 to 151.45
Index ranges	$-10 \le h \le 8, -28 \le k \le 34, -9 \le l \le 9$
Reflections collected	10411
Independent reflections	$3318 \; [R_{int} = 0.0312,  R_{sigma} = 0.0296]$
Data/restraints/parameters	3318/0/255
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.074
Final R indexes $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0416, wR_2 = 0.0958$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0505, wR_2 = 0.1074$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-3	0.32/-0.32

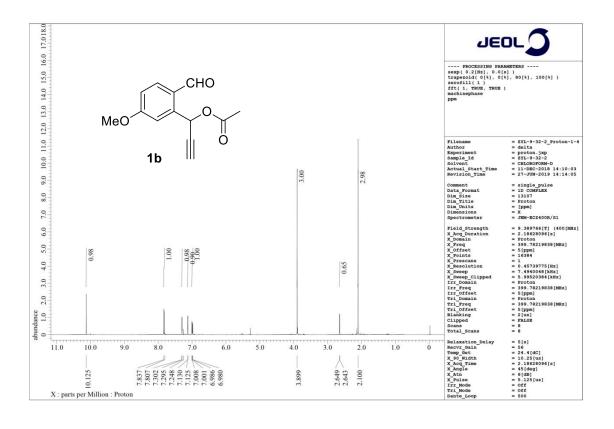
Crystals of compound  $\bf 9a$  were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of  $\bf 9a$  in dichloromethane, chloroform and n-hexane. Single crystal X-ray diffraction intensity data of compound  $\bf 9a$  was collected on a 'XtaLAB Synergy R, DW system, HyPix' diffractometer equipped with graphite monochromatized CuK $\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 1.54184$  Å) at 100 K. The structure was solved by the program ShelXT (Sheldrick, 2015) and refined with the program ShelXL (Sheldrick, 2015). The crystal data and structure refinement results for compound  $\bf 9a$  are listed in the Table S6.

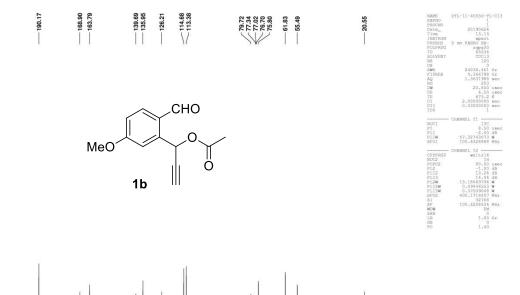
Table S6. Crystal data and structure refinement for 9a (CCDC 1919100).

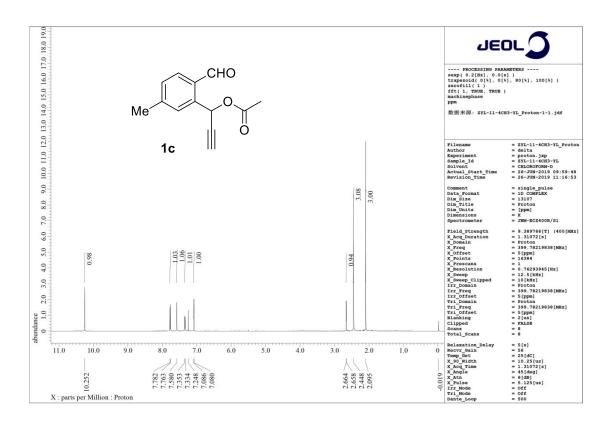
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Empirical formula	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>22</sub> O <sub>7</sub>
•	422.41
Formula weight	
Temperature/K	100.00(10)
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	Pca2 <sub>1</sub>
a/Å	14.0881(2)
b/Å	7.88590(10)
c/Å	35.7414(4)
α/°	90
β/°	90
γ/°	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	3970.78(9)
Z	8
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.413
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.866
F(000)	1776.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.1$
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
$2 \theta$ range for data collection/°	4.944 to 151.126
Index ranges	$-17 \le h \le 17, -9 \le k \le 9, -44 \le l \le 44$
Reflections collected	27953
Independent reflections	7424 [ $R_{int} = 0.0279, R_{sigma} = 0.0220$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	7424/1/567
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.021
Final R indexes $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0303, wR_2 = 0.0770$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0315, wR_2 = 0.0786$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-3	0.23/-0.20

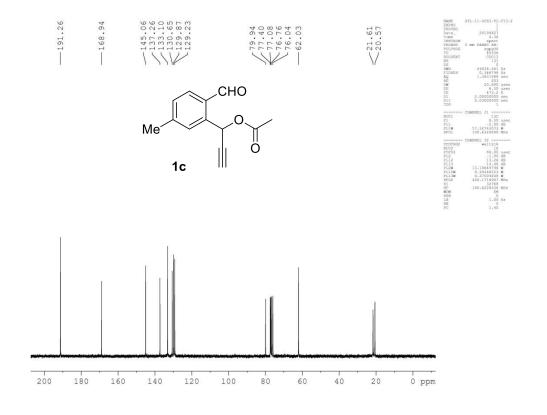
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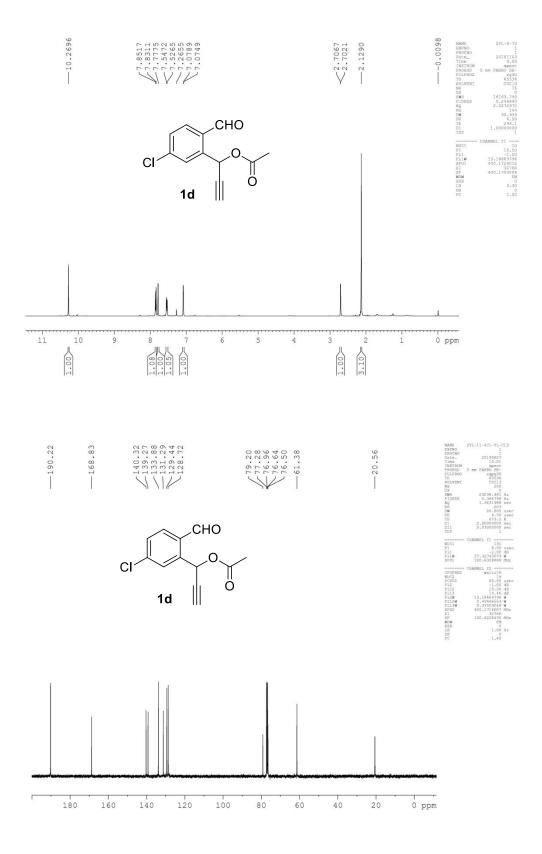


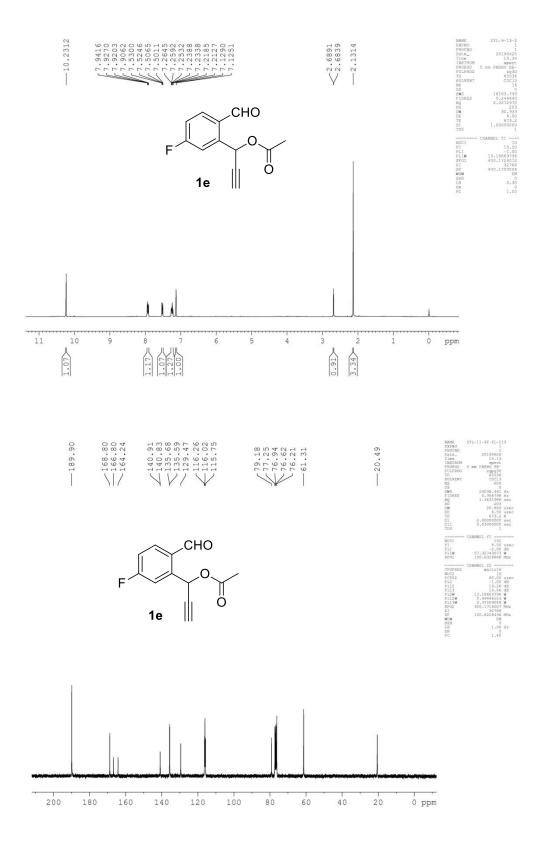


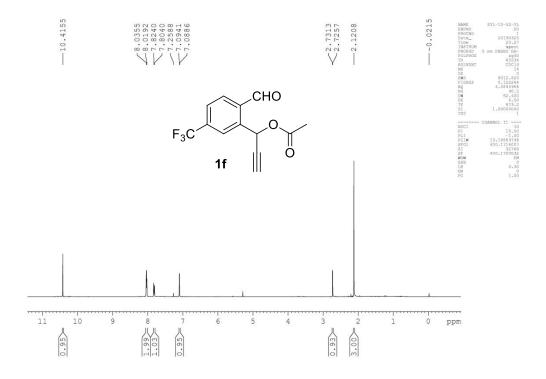


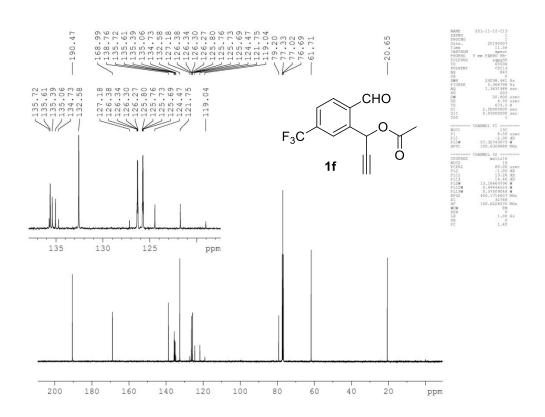


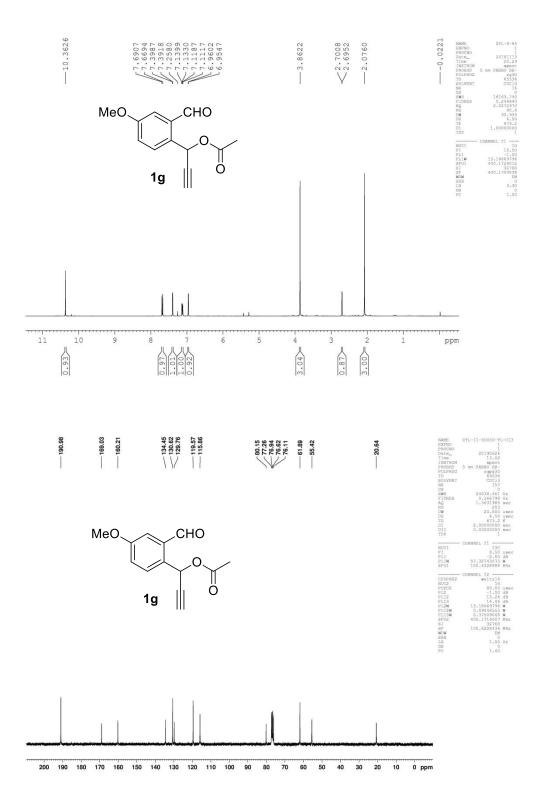


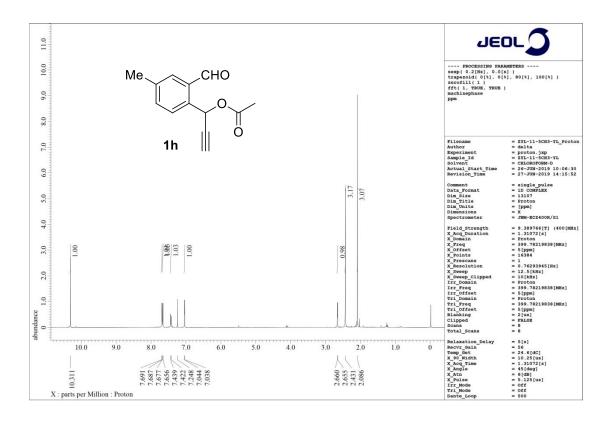


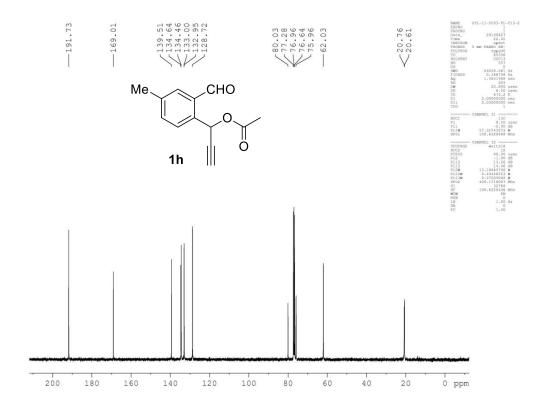


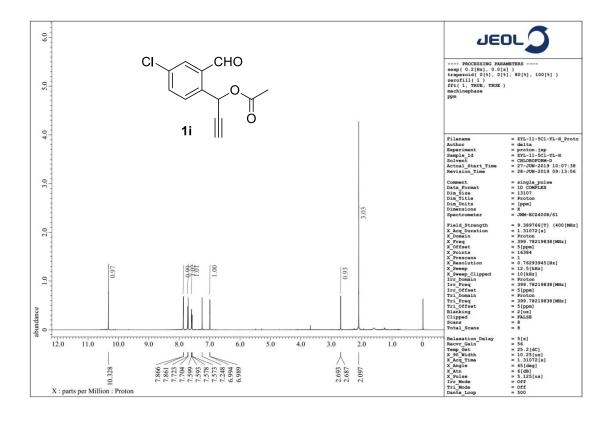


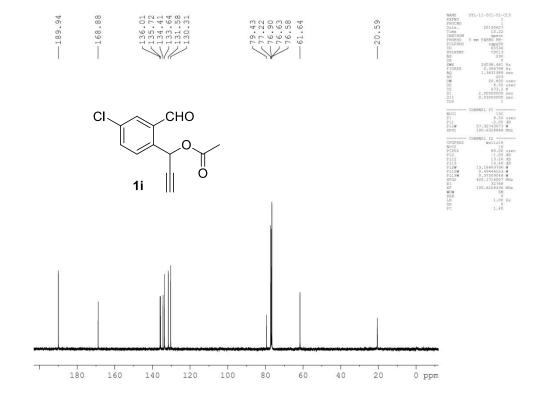


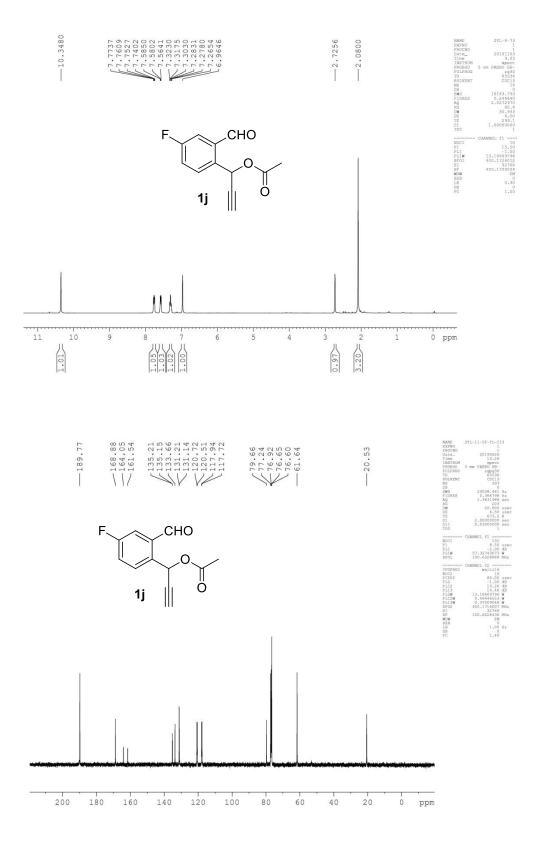


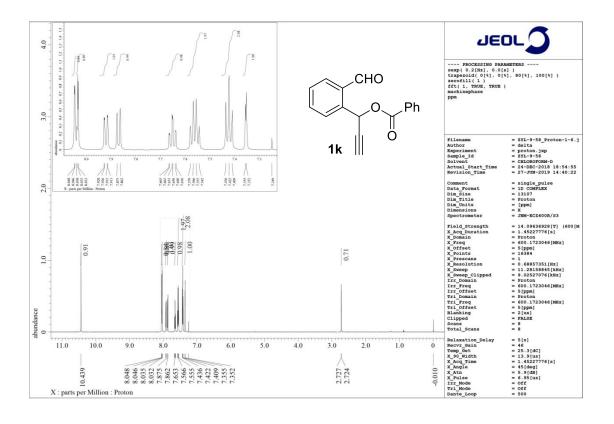


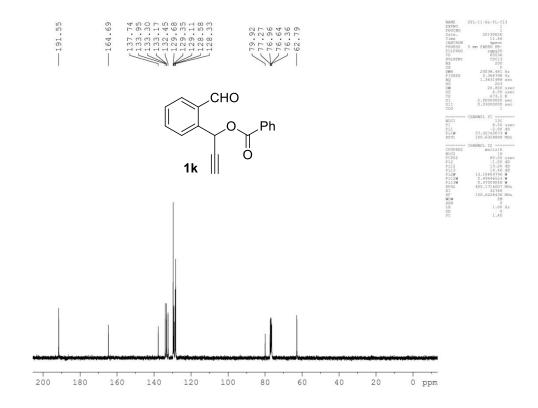


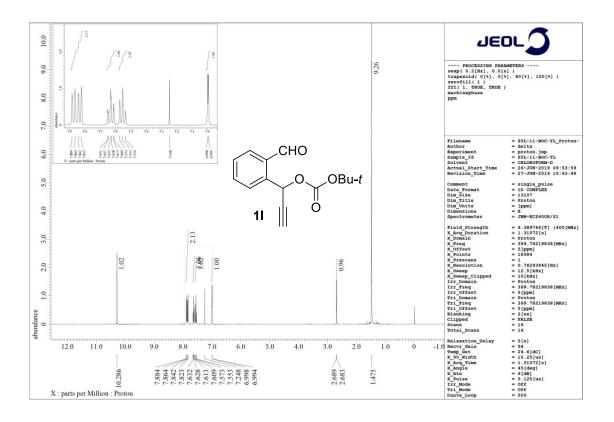


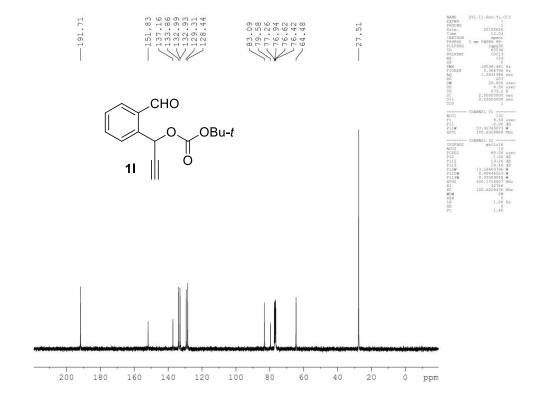


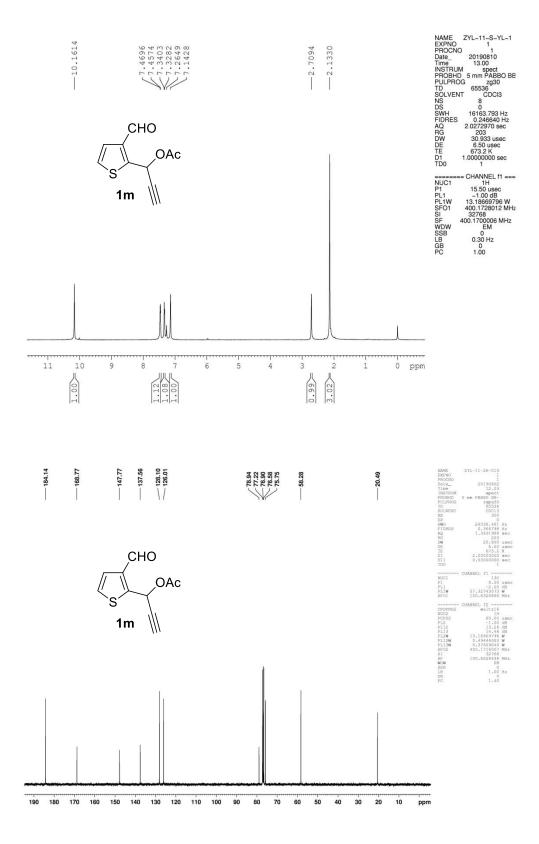


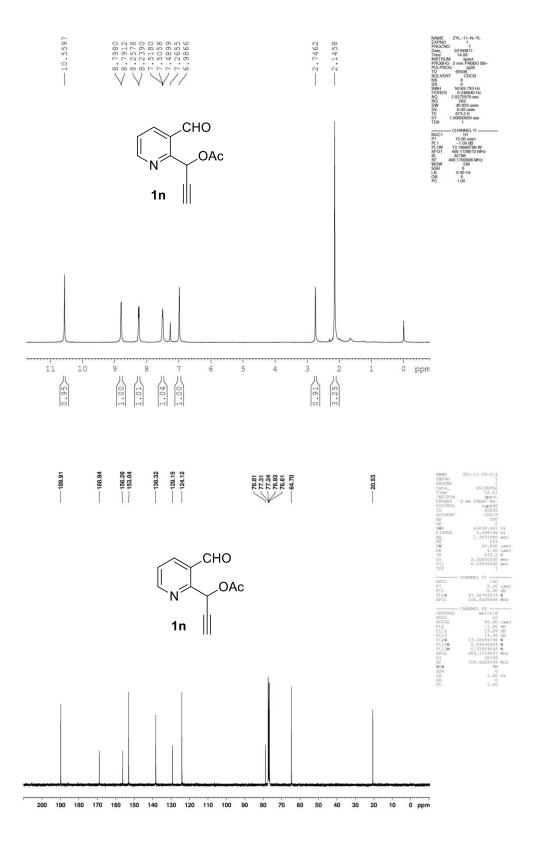


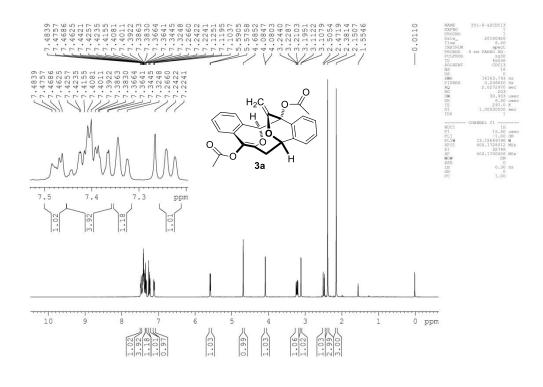


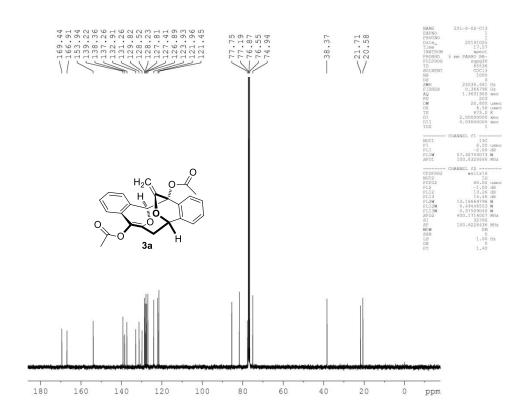


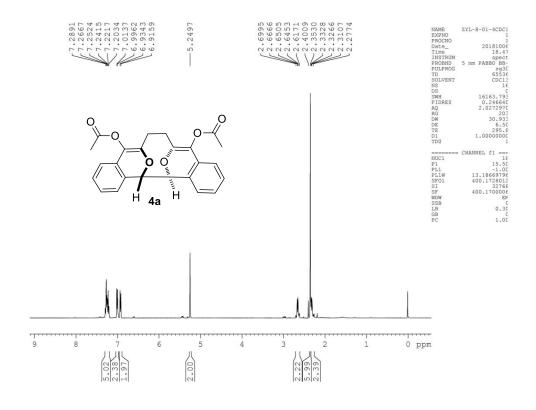


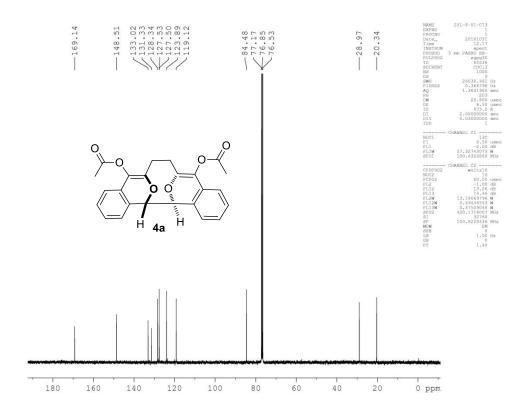


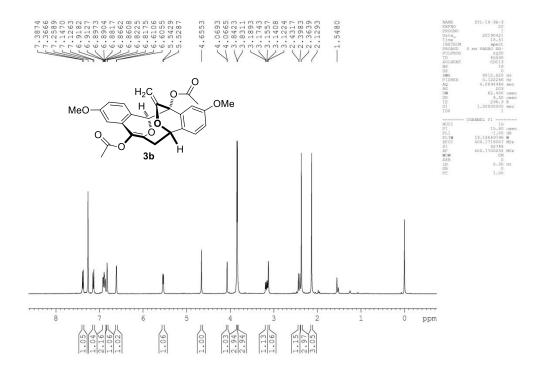


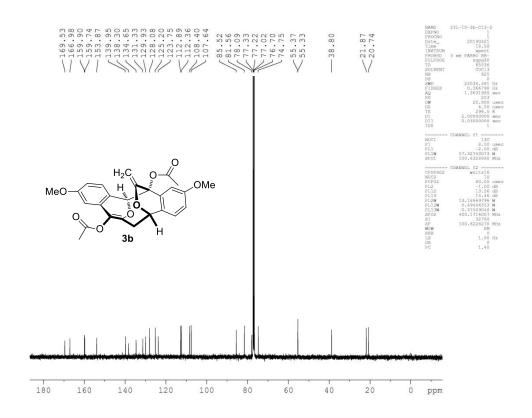


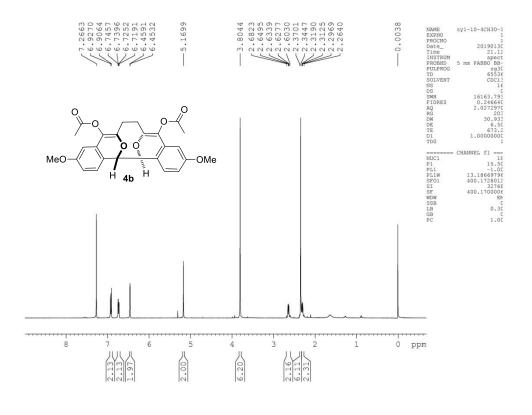


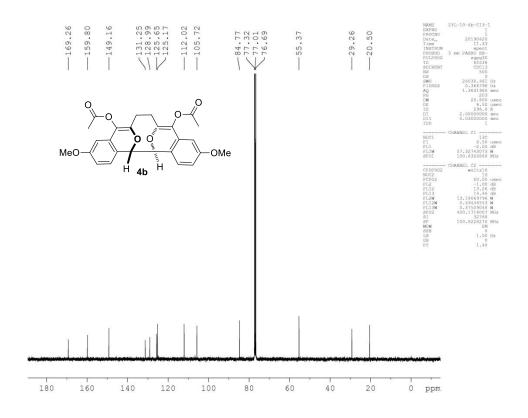


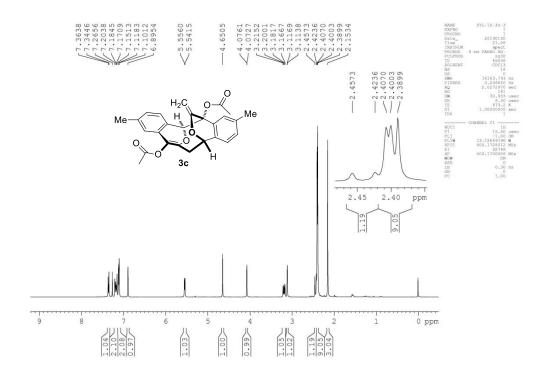


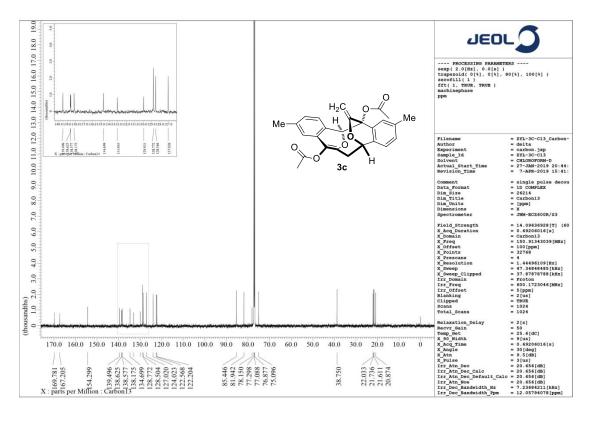


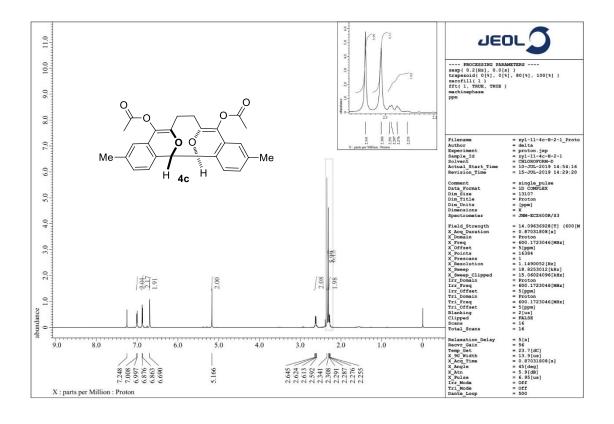


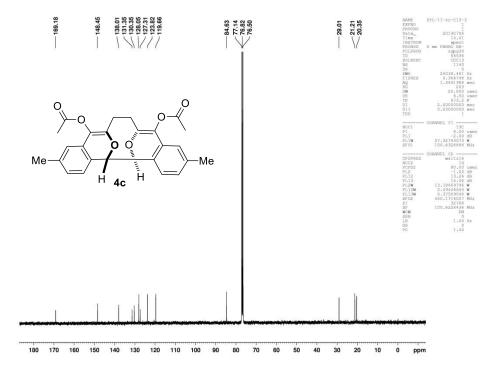


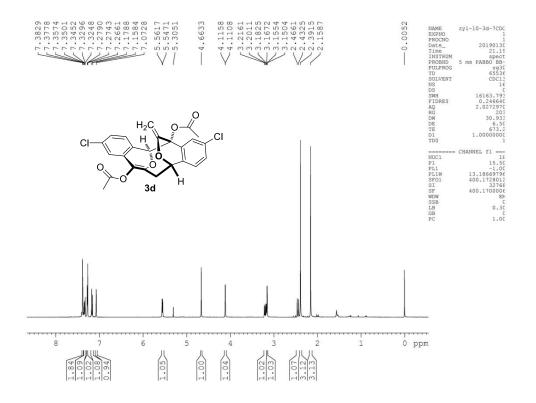


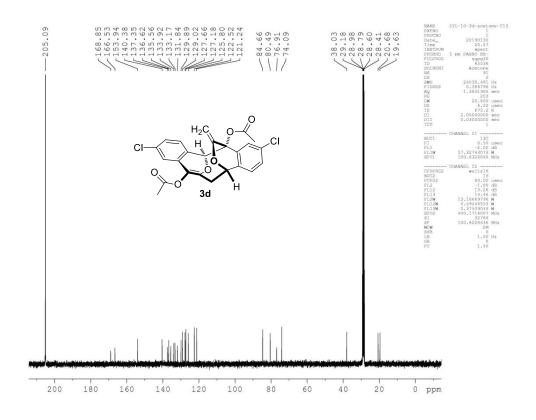


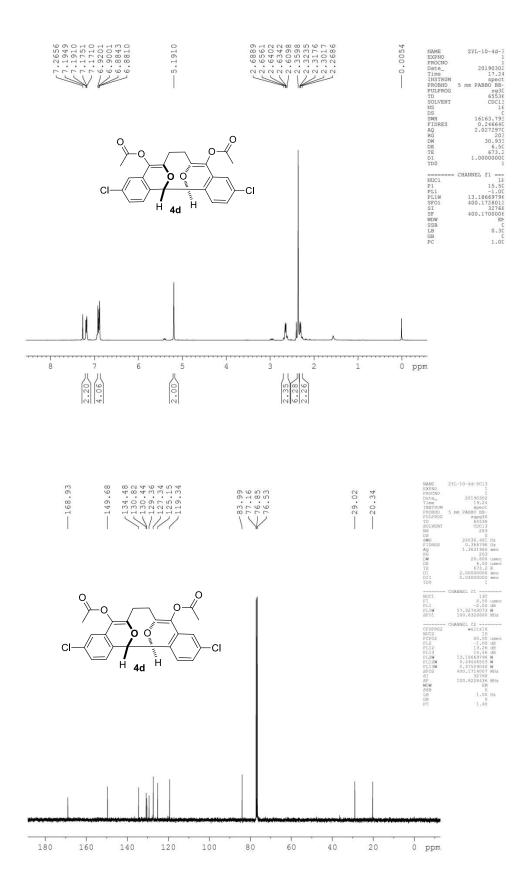


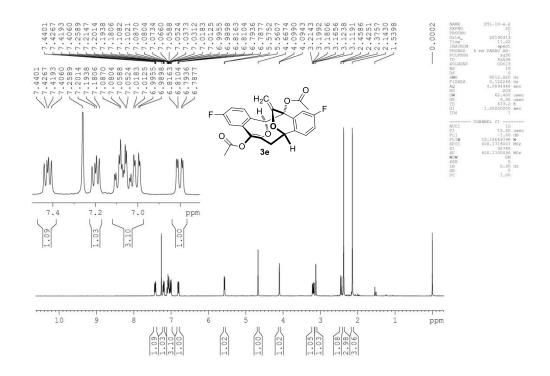


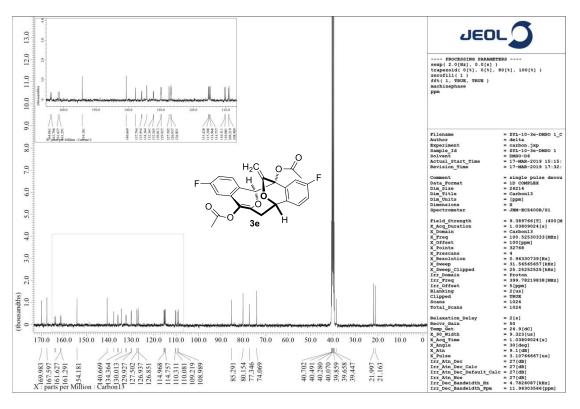


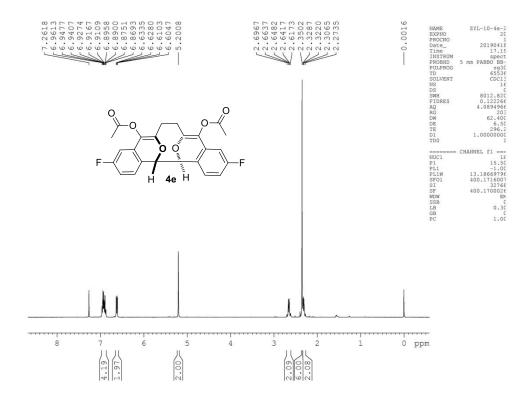


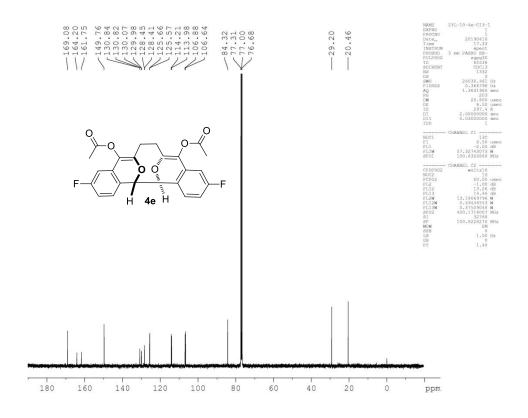


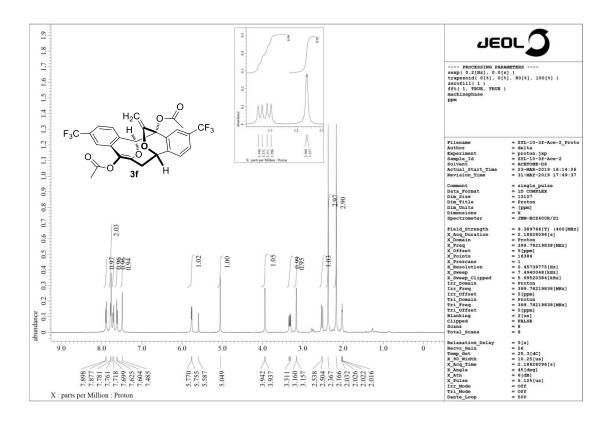


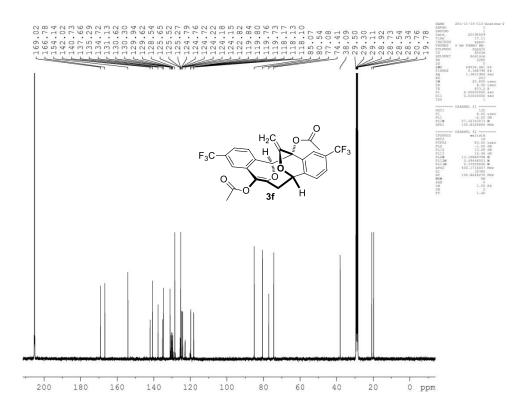


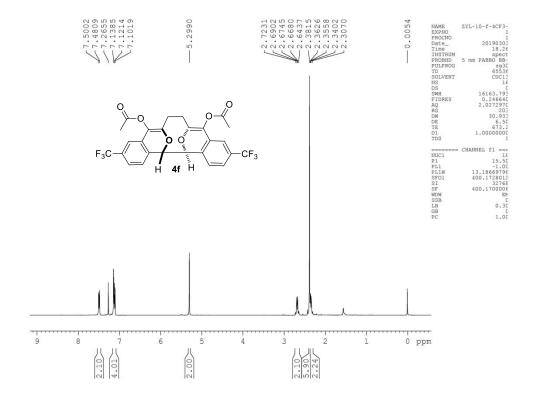


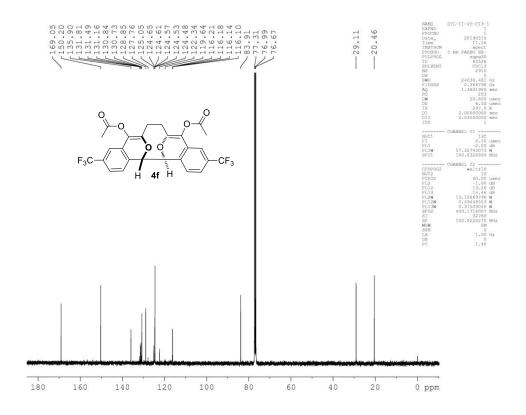


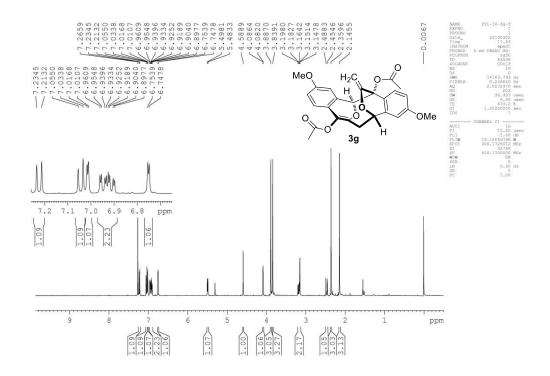


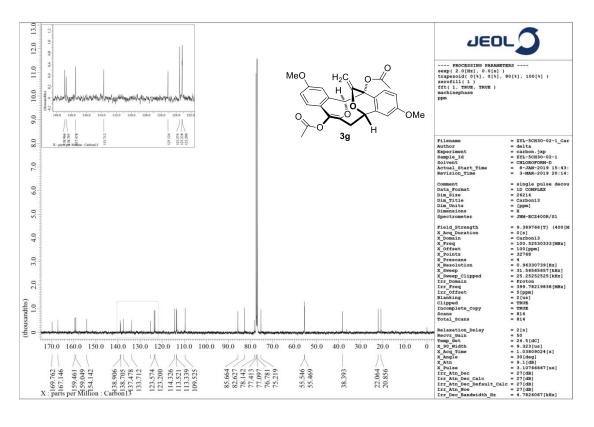


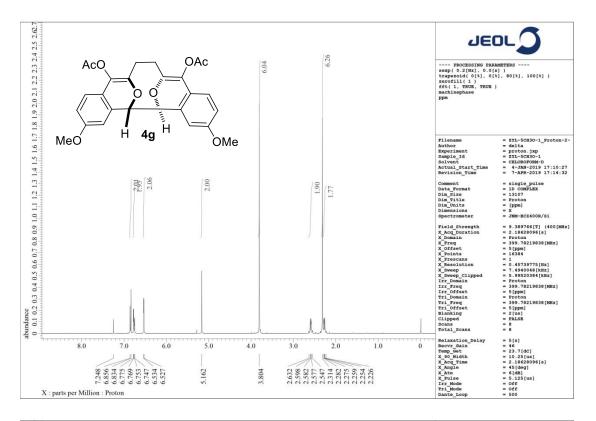


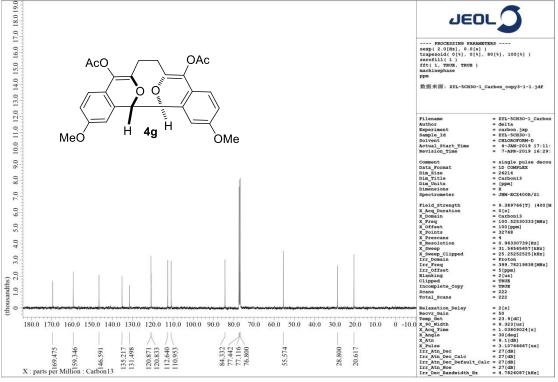


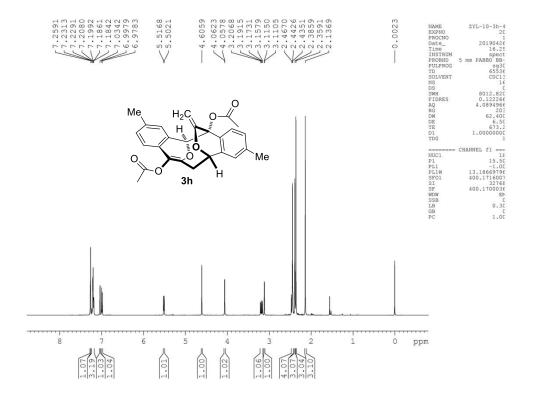


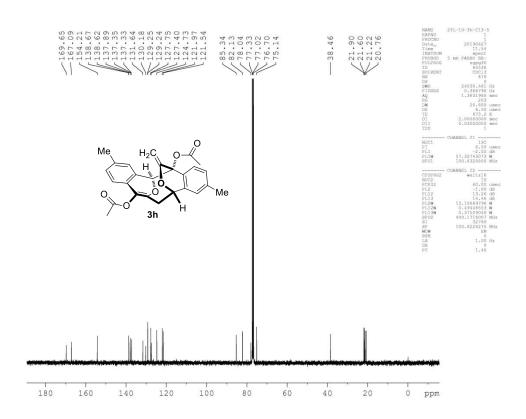


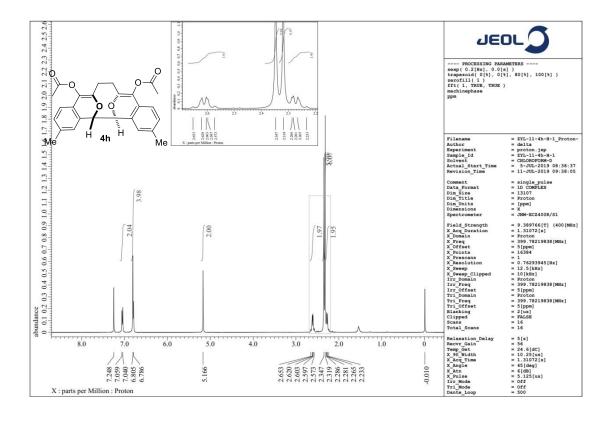


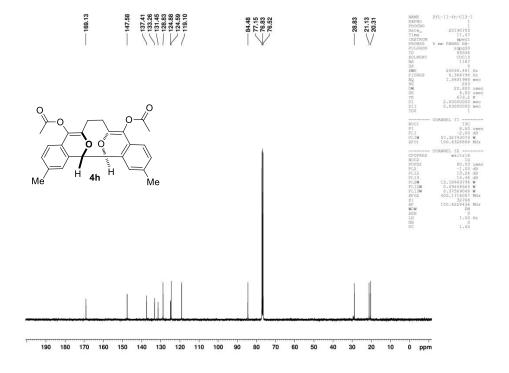


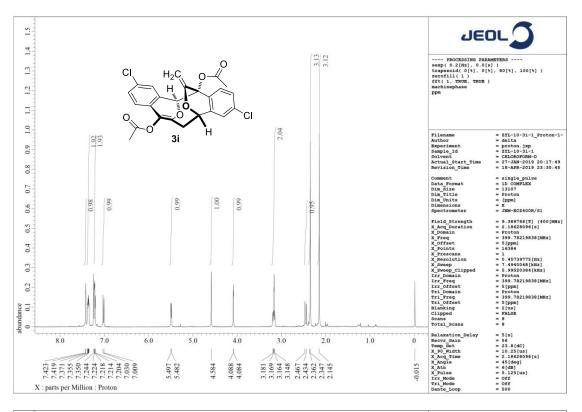


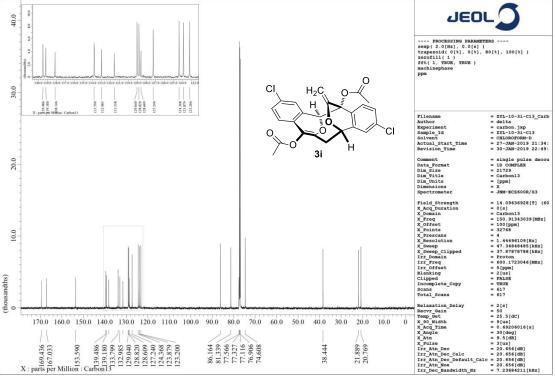


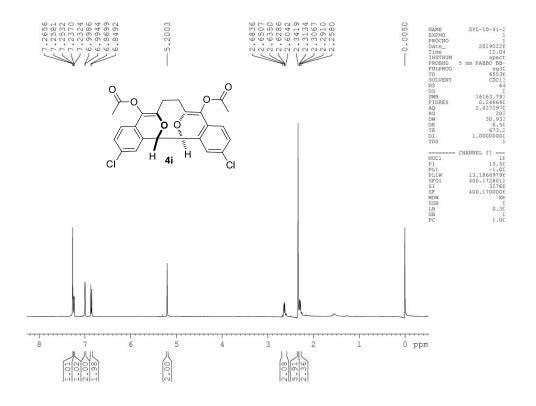


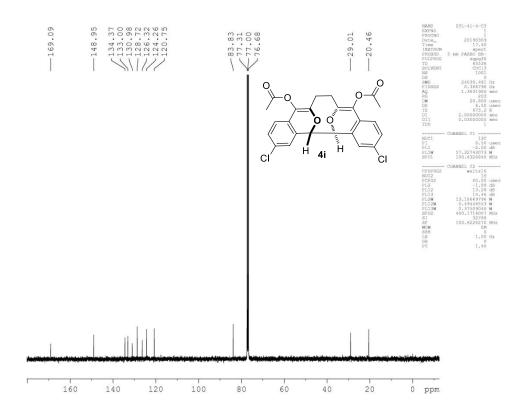


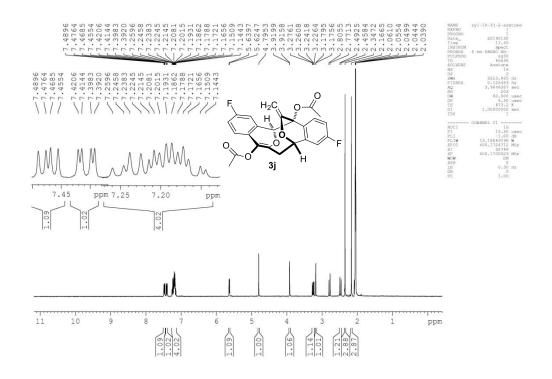


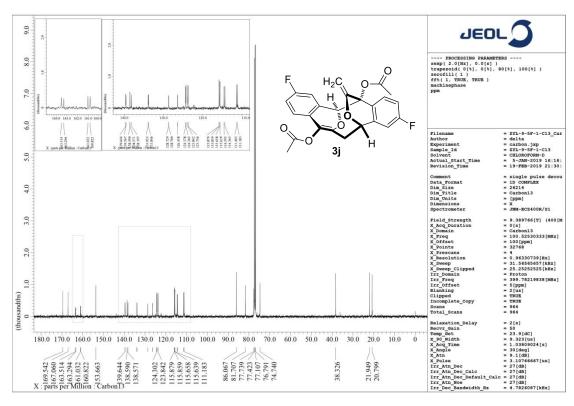


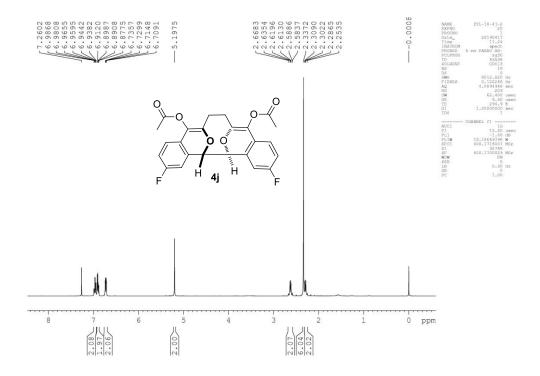


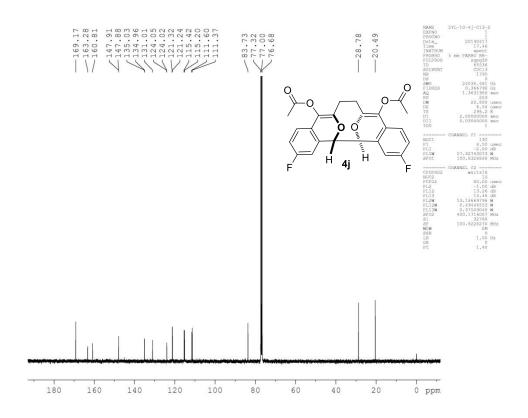


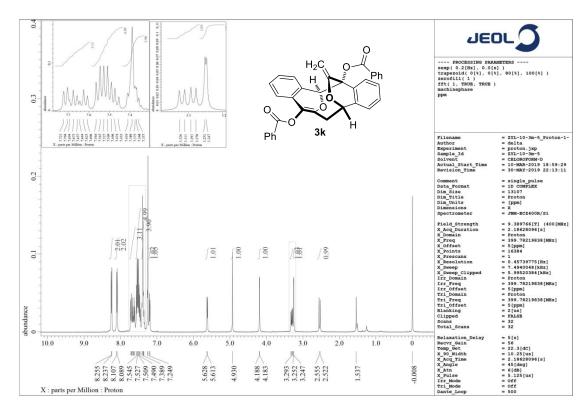


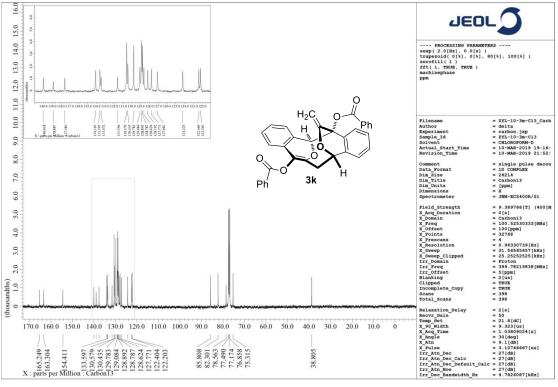


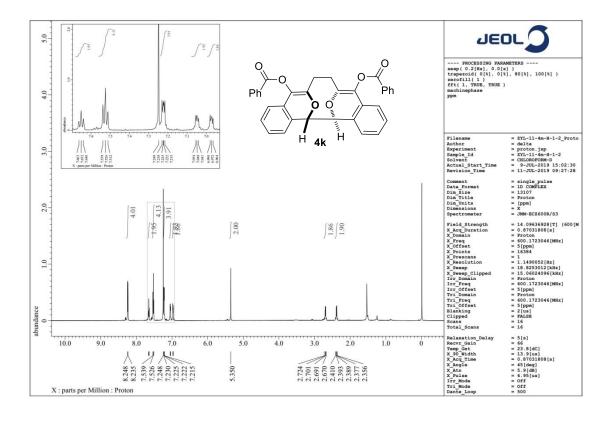


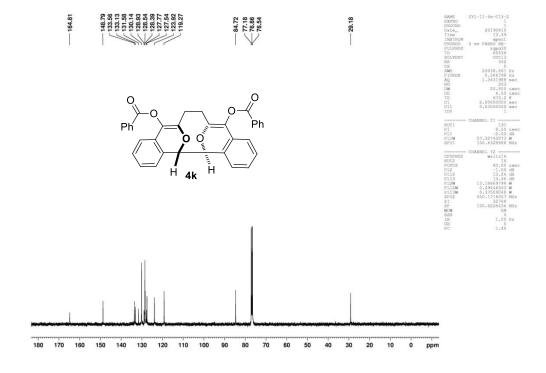


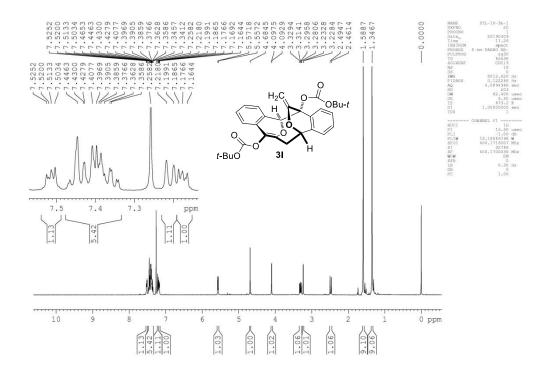


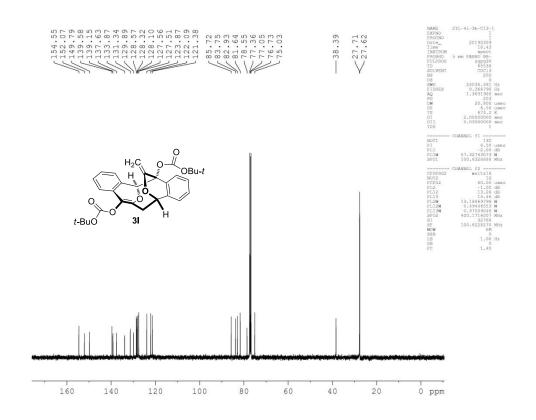


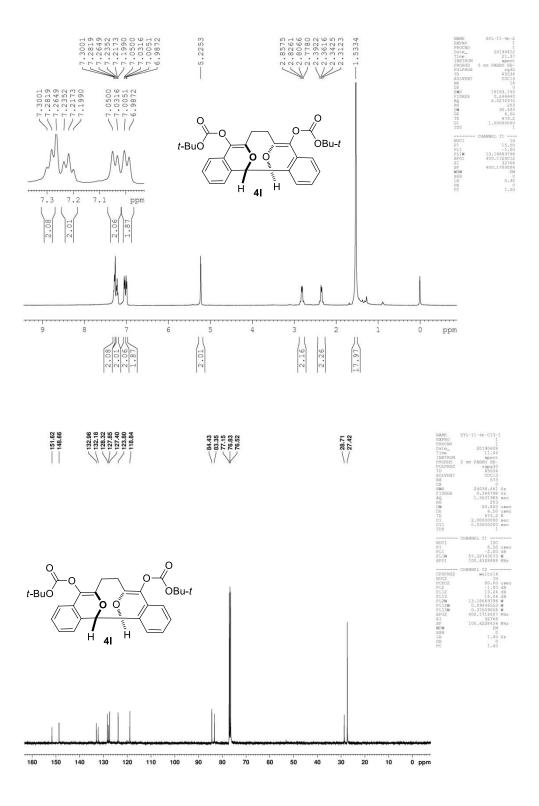


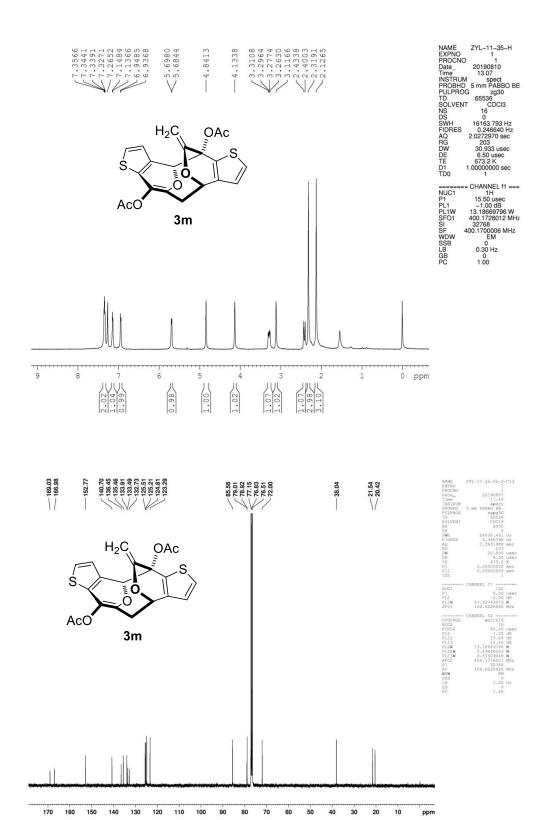


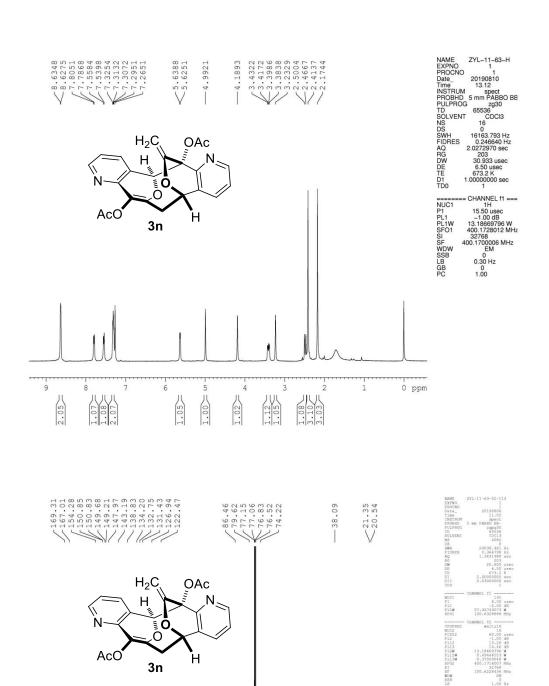




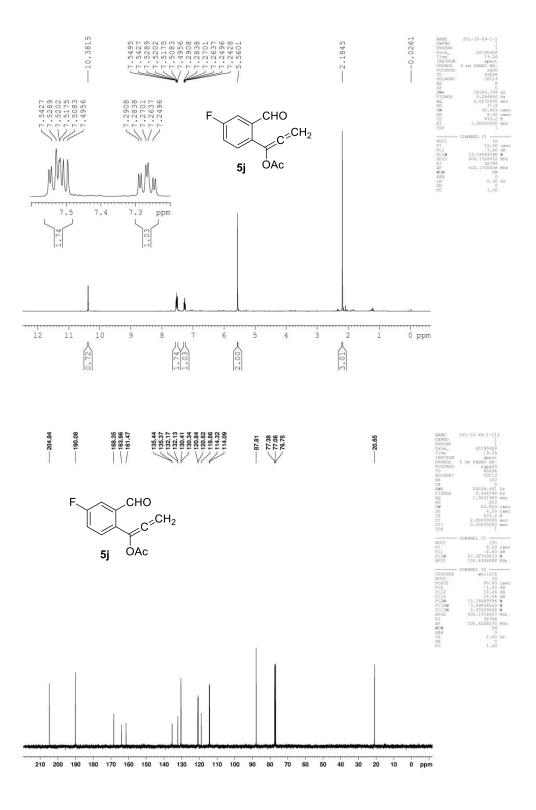


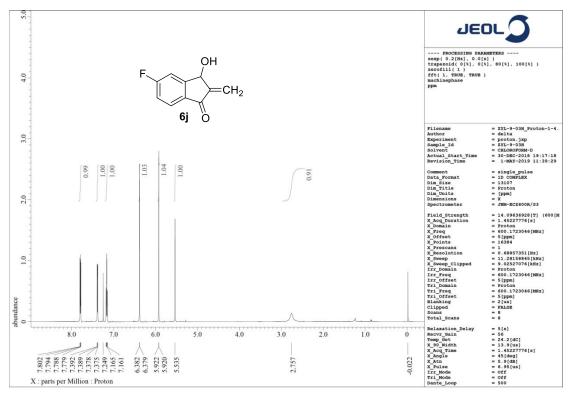


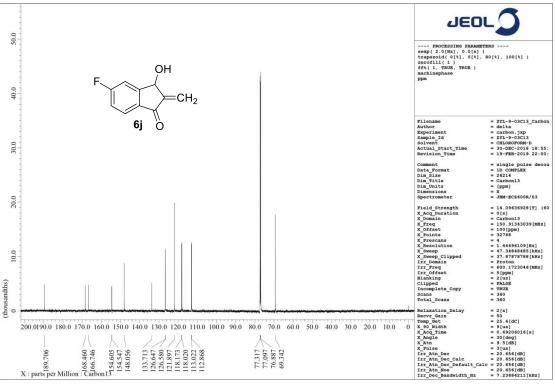


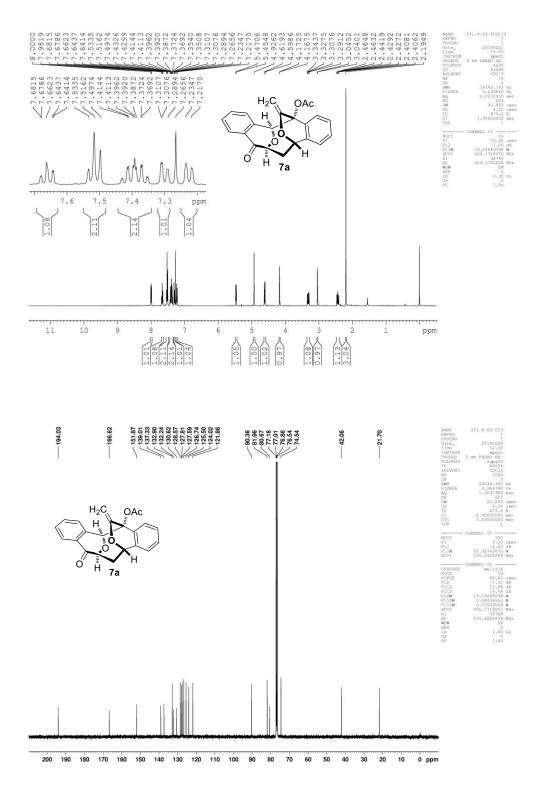


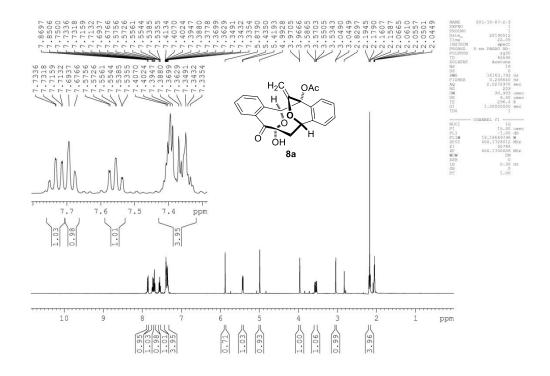
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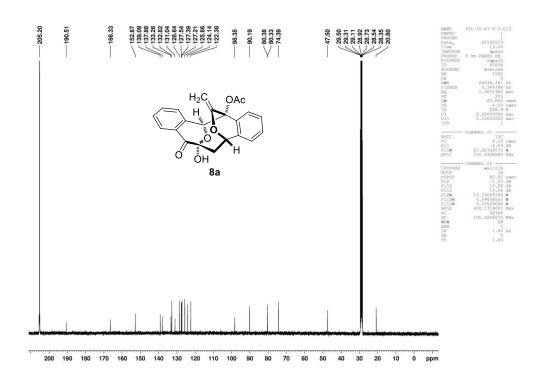


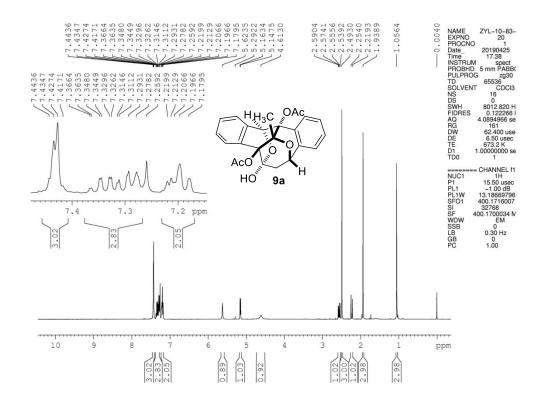


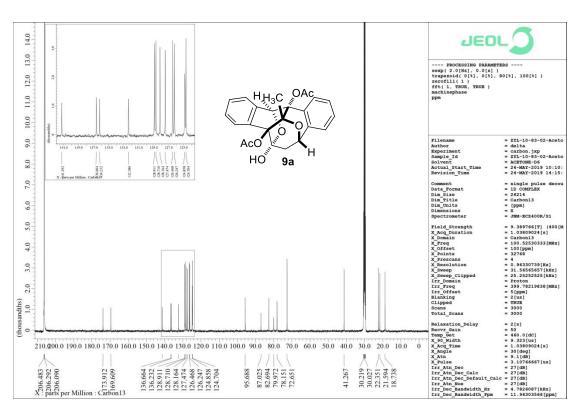


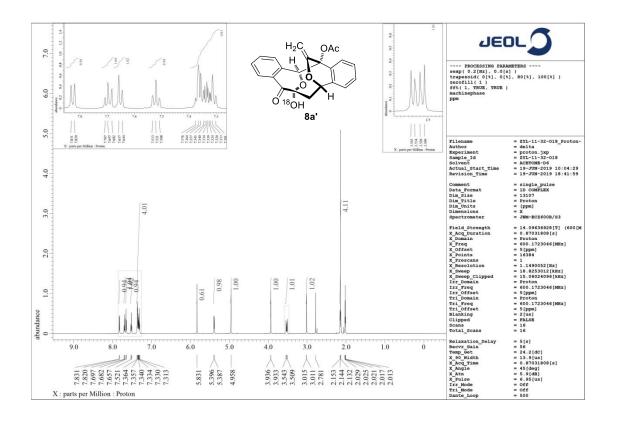


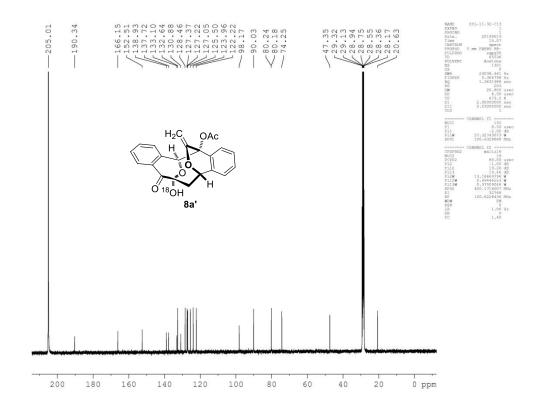












## 4. HRMS spectra of $O^{18}$ -labelled product 8a.

