Supporting Information

Zn-ProPhenol Catalyzed Enantioselective Mannich Reaction of 2*H*-Azirines with Alkynyl Ketones

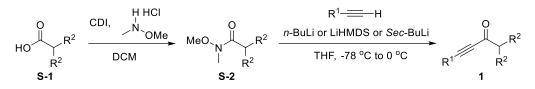
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A. General Information

Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were purchased commercially and used as received. Anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (THF) was obtained by distillation from sodium/benzophenone and anhydrous toluene (PhMe) was obtained by distillation from sodium. Anhydrous dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) and diethyl ether (Et₂O) were purchased as such from Acros Organics in AcroSeal bottles and were used as received. When performing air-sensitive reactions, reagents and solvents were transferred using either stainless steel cannulae or plastic syringes equipped with stainless steel needles. Airsensitive reactions were performed under a positive pressure of either nitrogen (N₂) or argon (Ar) in reaction vessels sealed with rubber septa. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on glass-backed silica-coated plates (Merck TLC Silica gel 60 F254). Visualization was typically performed using UV light and/or basic potassium permanganate (KMnO₄). Purification by flash column chromatography was performed on silica gel (Fisher Scientific, 230–400 mesh, grade 60) using bulk solvents. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra were recorded at 400 MHz using a Varian Mercury 400 spectrometer. All ¹H chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm) or the residual solvent peak (7.264 ppm for CDCl₃). Multiplets were assigned with the assistance of the multiplet tool in Mestrenova, and are abbreviated as follows: s =singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, brs = broad, app. = apparent. Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded at 101 MHz using a Varian Mercury 400 spectrometer. All ¹³C chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to the center of the residual solvent peak (77.16 ppm for CDCl₃). Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on NaCl plates using a Perkin Elmer Paragon 500 FT-IR spectrometer. Enantiomeric excess (ee) were determined by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) using an Agilent 1200 series HPLC system using the specified separation conditions. Optical rotations were measured on a Jasco DIP-1000 digital polarimeter using 5 cm glass cells with a Na 589 nm filter. High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) was performed at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign on a high-resolution mass spectrometer (TOF). Crystal structure determination was performed at University of Notre Dame on a Bruker APEX-II diffractometer using a combination of ω - and φ -scans of 0.5°. For reactions that require heating, all the report reaction temperature are oil bath temperature.

B. General Procedure for the Synthesis of Alkynyl Ketones



Method A: To a flame-dried flask (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) was charged with N,N-carbonyldiimidazole (1.0 eq.), sealed with a septum, and evacuated and backfilled with argon (balloon) three times. Anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ (total 0.5 M) was added and the resulting suspension was cooled to 0 °C before carboxylic acid **S-1** (1.0 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ was added dropwise via a syringe, leading to CO₂ evolution. After 30 min, N,O-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (2.5 eq.) was quickly added. The reaction was resealed, allowed to warm to room temperature as the ice bath expired, and stirred overnight. After partitioning between CH₂Cl₂ and water, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined organic layers were washed with 0.1 M H₂SO₄ and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo to give **S-2**, which was used without purification.

To a flame-dried vial under Argon was charged with alkyne (1.2 equiv) and THF (total 0.4 M). The resulting solution was cooled to -78 °C, then *n*-BuLi (2.5 M in hexane, 1.1 equiv) or LiHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 1.1 equiv) or *Sec*-BuLi (1.4 M in hexane, 1.1 equiv) was added dropwise via a syringe. After stirring for 20 minutes at -78 °C, the cooling bath was removed, and the reaction was stirred for an additional 10 minutes before it was added dropwise via a syringe to a solution of **S-2** (1.0 equiv) in freshly distilled THF at -78 °C. After stirring for 25 minutes at -78 °C, the reaction was transferred to a 0 °C bath and stirred for 1 hour, at which point it was diluted with Et₂O and poured into aqueous HCl (0.5 M) solution or a buffer (at PH=5) solution with vigorously stirring. After the layers were separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O, and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to afford alkynyl ketones **1**.

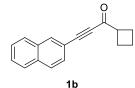
Method B: To a flame-dried flask (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) was charged with N,N-carbonyldiimidazole (1.1 eq.), sealed with a septum, and evacuated and backfilled with argon (balloon) three times. Anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ (total 0.5 M) was added and the resulting suspension was

cooled to 0 °C before carboxylic acid S-1 (1.1 eq.) in CH_2Cl_2 was added dropwise via a syringe, leading to CO₂ evolution. After 30 min, *N*,*O*-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (2.75 eq.) was quickly added. The reaction was resealed, allowed to warm to room temperature as the ice bath expired, and stirred overnight. After partitioning between CH_2Cl_2 and water, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 , and the combined organic layers were washed with 0.1 M H₂SO₄ and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo to give S-2, which was used without purification.

To a flame-dried vial under Argon was charged with alkyne (1.0 equiv) and THF (total 0.4 M). The resulting solution was cooled to -78 °C, then *n*-BuLi (2.5 M in hexane, 1.1 equiv) or LiHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 1.1 equiv) or *Sec*-BuLi (1.4 M in hexane, 1.1 equiv) was added dropwise via a syringe. After stirring for 20 minutes at -78 °C, the cooling bath was removed, and the reaction was stirred for an additional 10 minutes before it was added dropwise via a syringe to a solution of **S-2** (1.1 equiv) in freshly distilled THF at -78 °C. After stirring for 25 minutes at -78 °C, the reaction was transferred to a 0 °C bath and stirred for 1 hour, at which point it was diluted with Et₂O and poured into aqueous HCl (0.5 M) solution or a buffer (at PH=5) solution with vigorously stirring. After the layers were separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O, and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to afford alkynyl ketones **1**.

For compounds **1a**, **1j**, and **1q**, all these alkynyl ketones were known compounds.¹⁻³ Some new alkynyl ketones were shown below.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (1b)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (550 mg, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), 2-ethynylnaphthalene (726 mg, 5 mmol, 1 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected

to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1b**, 737.1 mg, 63%) as light yellow solid.

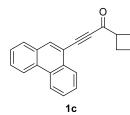
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.80–7.83 (m, 3H), 7.52–7.56 (m, 3H), 3.42–3.51 (m, 1H), 2.41–2.51 (m, 2H), 2.27–2.34 (m, 2H), 1.90–2.10 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.0, 134.5, 134.1, 132.9, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.2, 117.5, 92.6, 87.2, 47.9, 25.0, 18.2.

IR (cm⁻¹): 3058, 2943, 2193, 1600, 1347, 1266.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₅O, 235.1123; found, 235.1123.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(Phenanthren-9-yl)prop-2-yn-1-One (1c)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (330 mg, 3.3 mmol, 1.1 eq.), 9-ethynylphenanthrene (660 mg, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (3.3 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1c**, 682.6 mg, 80%) as light yellow solid.

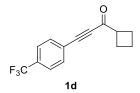
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.58–8.64 (m, 2H), 8.37–8.38 (m, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.70 (m, 3H), 7.58–7.61 (m, 1H), 3.53–3.61 (m, 1H), 2.50–2.60 (m, 2H), 2.34–2.42 (m, 2H), 1.95–2.16 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.8, 135.8, 131.4, 130.8, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 127.7 127.7, 127.4, 126.7, 123.1, 122.9, 116.8, 91.3, 90.6, 48.0, 25.1, 18.2.

IR (cm⁻¹): 3060, 2984, 2864, 2187, 1661, 1450, 1336, 1238.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): $[M+H]^+$ Calcd. for $C_{21}H_{17}O$, 285.1279; found, 285.1277.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (1d)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (330 mg, 3.3 mmol, 1.1 eq.), 1-ethynyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (510 mg, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (3.3 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1d**, 537.0 mg, 71%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60–7.66 (m, 4H), 3.38–3.47 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.45 (m, 2H), 2.22–2.30 (m, 2H), 1.88–2.08 (m, 2H).

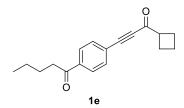
¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.4, 133.3, 132.2 (q, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 32.8 Hz), 125.7 (q, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 3.6 Hz), 124.2, 123.7 (q, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 270.8 Hz), 89.3, 88.1, 47.8, 24.8, 18.1.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -63.6 (s, 3F).

IR (cm⁻¹): 2948, 2869, 2206, 1670, 1324, 1258, 1170, 1130.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): $[M+H]^+$ Calcd. for $C_{14}H_{12}F_3O$, 253.0840; found, 253.0842.

1-(4-(3-Cyclobutyl-3-Oxoprop-1-yn-1-yl)phenyl)pentan-1-One (1e)



The reaction was performed according **method A**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (500 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1 eq.), 4-ethynylbenzonitrile (762 mg, 6.0 mmol, 1.2 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 20:1) to yield the title compound (**1e**, 495.3 mg, 37%) as white solid.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.39–3.47 (m, 1H), 2.95 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.36–2.45 (m, 2H), 2.22–2.30 (m, 2H), 1.87–2.09 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.74 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.44 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H).

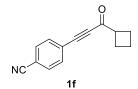
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 199.7, 189.6, 138.2, 133.2, 128.3, 124.7, 90.2, 88.7, 47.8, 38.7,

26.5, 24.8, 22.6, 18.1, 14.1.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2956, 2867, 2204, 1665, 1404, 1206.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₁O₂, 269.1542; found, 269.1541.

4-(3-Cyclobutyl-3-Oxoprop-1-yn-1-yl)benzonitrile (1f)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (550 mg, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), 4-ethynylbenzonitrile (635 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), LiHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 10:1) to yield the title compound (**1f**, 763.0 mg, 73%) as white solid.

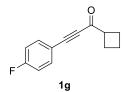
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.62–7.67 (m, 4H), 3.38–3.46 (m, 1H), 2.33–2.43 (m, 2H), 2.22–2.30 (m, 2H), 1.85–2.08 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.2, 133.5, 132.4, 125.1, 118.1, 114.1, 89.5, 88.6, 47.8, 24.8, 18.1.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2988, 2952, 2227, 2204, 1661, 1499, 1404, 1264, 1123.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₂NO, 210.0919; found, 210.0921.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (1g)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (165 mg, 1.65 mmol, 1.1 eq.), 1-ethynyl-4-fluorobenzene (180 mg, 1.5 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (1.65 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1g**, 227.3 mg, 75%) as light yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.51–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.01–7.06 (m, 2H), 3.33–3.42 (m, 1H), 2.32–

2.41 (m, 2H), 2.18–2.27 (m, 2H), 1.82–2.05 (m, 2H).

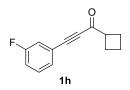
¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.7, 164.1 (d, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 241.9 Hz), 135.5 (d, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 8.8 Hz), 116.4, 116.3 (d, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 22.2 Hz), 90.0, 86.8, 47.7, 24.8, 18.1.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -106.8 – -106.8 (m, 1F).

IR (cm⁻¹): 2985, 2946, 2866, 2201, 1664, 1505, 1233

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₂FO, 203.0872; found, 203.0872.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(3-Fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (1h)



The reaction was performed according **method A**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (500 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1 eq.), 1-ethynyl-3-fluorobenzene (762 mg, 6.0 mmol, 1.2 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 20:1) to yield the title compound (**1e**, 717.0 mg, 71%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30–7.33 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.09–7.14 (m, 1H), 3.34– 3.43 (m, 1H), 2.31–2.41 (m, 2H), 2.19–2.27 (m, 2H), 1.82–2.05 (m, 2H).

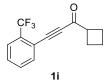
¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.5, 162.4 (d, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 246.5 Hz), 130.6 (d, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 8.4 Hz), 129.1 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 3.2 Hz), 122.1 (d, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 9.3 Hz), 119.8 (d, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 23.0 Hz), 118.2 (d, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 21.0 Hz), 90.0 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 3.3 Hz), 87.2, 47.8, 24.8, 18.1.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -112.2 - -112.2 (m, 1F).

IR (cm⁻¹): 2986, 2946, 2867, 1667, 1607, 1580, 1432, 1341, 1284, 1266.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₂FO, 203.0872; found, 203.0876.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(2-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (1i)



The reaction was performed according method B: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (220 mg, 2.2

mmol, 1.1 eq.), 1-ethynyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (340 mg, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (2.2 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et_2O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1i**, 267.1 mg, 53%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.68–7.71 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.57 (m, 2H), 3.37–3.46 (m, 1H), 2.36–2.46 (m, 2H), 2.20–2.28 (m, 2H), 1.84–2.08 (m, 2H).

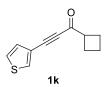
¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.5, 135.6, 132.9 (q, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 29.9 Hz), 131.9, 130.6, 126.3 (q, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 5.0 Hz), 123.3 (q, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 271.9 Hz), 118.5, 91.0, 86.8, 47.9, 24.6, 18.0.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -62.4 (s, 3F).

IR (cm⁻¹): 2988, 2949, 2869, 2206, 1602, 1491

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₂F₃O, 253.0840; found, 253.0841.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(Thiophen-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-One (1k)



The reaction was performed according **method A**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (300 mg, 3.0 mmol, 1 eq.), 3-ethynylthiophene (388.8 mg, 3.6 mmol, 1.2 eq.), *n*-BuLi (3.3 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 20:1) to yield the title compound (**1k**, 359.1 mg, 63%) as light yellow oil.

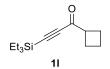
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.71 (dd, *J* = 0.8 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 2.8 Hz, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 0.8 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.34–3.43 (m, 1H), 2.33–2.43 (m, 2H), 2.19–2.28 (m, 2H), 1.83–2.06 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 133.9, 130.5, 126.4, 119.6, 87.4, 87.2, 47.7, 24.9, 18.1.

IR (cm⁻¹): 3017, 2984, 2865, 2196, 1660, 1359, 1247.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₁OS, 191.0531; found, 191.0532.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-(Triethylsilyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (11)



The reaction was performed according **method A**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (500 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1 eq.), triethyl(ethynyl)silane (840.0 mg, 6.0 mmol, 1.2 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 20:1) to yield the title compound (**11**, 677.0 mg, 61%) as yellow oil.

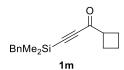
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.24–3.33 (m, 1H), 2.28–2.38 (m, 2H), 2.15–2.23 (m, 2H), 1.81– 2.03 (m, 2H), 0.97–1.01 (m, 9H), 0.62–0.67 (m, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.7, 102.3, 97.6, 47.7, 24.8, 18.0, 7.5, 4.1.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2957, 2877, 2149, 1672, 1461, 1239.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₃OSi, 223.1518; found, 223.1516.

3-(Benzyldimethylsilyl)-1-Cyclobutylprop-2-yn-1-One (1m)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (550 mg, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), benzyl(ethynyl)dimethylsilane (870 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *Sec*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of buffer (PH=5, 10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1m**, 474.1 mg, 37%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.07–7.14 (m, 3H), 3.24–3.34 (m, 1H), 2.28–2.37 (m, 2H), 2.27 (s, 2H), 2.15–2.23 (m, 2H), 1.81–2.05 (m, 2H), 0.21 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.5, 138.1, 128.6, 128.6, 125.0, 102.2 97.6, 47.6, 25.6, 24.7, 18.1, -2.4.

IR (cm⁻¹): 3025, 2948, 2151, 1669, 1493, 1337, 1251

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁OSi, 257.1362; found, 257.1363.

1-Cyclobutyl-3-Cyclopropylprop-2-yn-1-One (1n)



The reaction was performed according **method A**: with cyclobutylcarboxylic acid (500 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1 eq.), ethynylcyclopropane (396.0 mg, 6.0 mmol, 1.2 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 20:1) to yield the title compound (**1n**, 540.0 mg, 73%) as yellow oil.

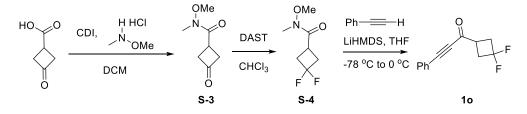
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.19–3.20 (m, 1H), 2.12–2.24 (m, 4H), 1.79–1.91 (m, 2H), 1.35 (s, 1H), 0.85–0.93 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 100.1, 75.6, 47.6, 24.8, 18.0, 10.0, -0.1.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2985, 2946, 2867, 2204, 1662, 1360, 1245.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₀H₁₃O, 149.0966; found, 149.0966.

1-(3,3-Difluorocyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (10)



To a flame-dried flask (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) was charged with *N*,*N*-carbonyldiimidazole (10 mmol, 1.0 eq.), sealed with a septum, and evacuated and backfilled with argon (balloon) three times. Anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (16 mL) was added and the resulting suspension was cooled to 0 °C before 3-oxocyclobutane-1-carboxylic acid (1140 mg, 10 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in CH_2Cl_2 (4 mL) was added dropwise via a syringe, leading to CO_2 evolution. After 30 min, *N*,*O*-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (25 mmol, 2.5 eq.) was quickly added. The reaction was resealed, allowed to warm to room temperature as the ice bath expired, and stirred overnight. After partitioning between CH_2Cl_2 and water, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 , and the combined organic layers were washed with 0.1 M H_2SO_4 and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo to give **S-3** (1.57 g, 10 mmol), which was used without

purification.

To a round-bottom flask equipped with a stirrer bar, S-3 (1.57 g, 10 mmol), and CHCl₃ (70 mL) was added dropwise via a syringe of (diethylamino)sulfur trifluoride (DAST) (3.22 g, 20 mmol). After the addition, the reaction mixture was heated to 40 °C and reacted for 72 h. Then, the reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature, added saturated aq. NaHCO₃ (70 mL). The resulting mixture was vigorously stirred for 15 minutes. After partitioning between CHCl₃ and water, the aqueous layer was extracted with CHCl₃, and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo to give S-4 (1.79 g), which was used without purification.

To a flame-dried vial under Argon was charged with ethynylbenzene (1.01 g, 10 mmol) and THF (20 mL). The resulting solution was cooled to -78 °C, then LiHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 10 mL, 10 mmol) was added dropwise via a syringe. After stirring for 20 minutes at -78 °C, the cooling bath was removed, and the reaction was stirred for an additional 10 minutes before it was added dropwise via a syringe to a solution of **S-4** (1.79 g) in freshly distilled THF (10 mL) at -78 °C. After stirring for 25 minutes at -78 °C, the reaction was transferred to a 0 °C bath and stirred for 1 hour, at which point it was diluted with Et₂O (40 mL) and poured into aqueous HCl (0.5 M, 20 mL) solution with vigorously stirring. After the layers were separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O, and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate=30:1) to afford alkynyl ketone **10** (1.14 g, 52% yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.56–7.58 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.40 (m, 2H), 3.19– 3.29 (m, 1H), 2.78–3.03 (m, 4H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 186.3, 133.4, 131.4, 129.0, 119.6, 118.6 (dd, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 282.7 Hz, ¹*J*_{*F*}.

 $_{C}$ = 282.6 Hz), 93.9, 86.3, 38.3 (t, ${}^{2}J_{F-C}$ = 24.4 Hz), 35.6 (dd, ${}^{3}J_{F-C}$ = 6.0 Hz, ${}^{1}J_{F-C}$ = 6.0 Hz).

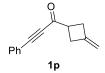
¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -83.3 – -83.9 (m, 1F), -95.6 – -96.2 (m, 1F).

IR (cm⁻¹): 2961, 2197, 1669, 1489, 1441, 1297, 1163

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₁F₂O, 221.0778; found, 221.0777.

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1-(3-Methylenecyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (1p)



The reaction was performed according **method B**: with 3-methylenecyclobutane-1-carboxylic acid (616 mg, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), ethynylbenzene (505 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1p**, 627.3 mg, 64%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.54–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.38 (m, 2H), 4.84–4.86 (m, 2H), 3.35–3.43 (m, 1H), 3.08–3.15 (m, 2H), 2.92–2.99 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.0, 143.6, 133.3, 131.0, 128.9, 120.1, 107.6, 92.6, 86.7, 42.7, 35.0.

IR (cm⁻¹): 3074, 2966, 2921 2198, 1665, 1489, 1334, 1260

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₃O, 197.0966; found, 197.0966.

1-(Cyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (1r)

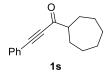
The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylic acid (616 mg, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), ethynylbenzene (505 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1r**, 715.4 mg, 73%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.53–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.45 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.38 (m, 2H), 5.66– 5.70 (m, 2H), 3.37–3.41 (m, 1H), 2.82–2.89 (m, 2H), 2.64–2.71 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.0, 133.3, 130.9, 129.1, 128.8, 120.3, 91.8, 87.3, 51.4, 35.5. IR (cm⁻¹):3059, 2922, 2852, 2201, 1665, 1443, 1286

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₃O, 197.0966; found, 197.0967.

1-Cycloheptyl-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (1s)



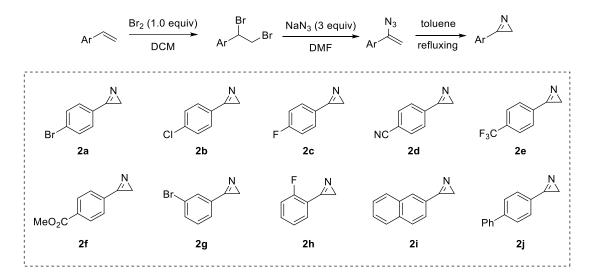
The reaction was performed according **method B**: with cycloheptanecarboxylic acid (781 mg, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), ethynylbenzene (505 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.), *n*-BuLi (5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.), and poured into a mixture of 0.5 M HCl (10 mL) and Et₂O (20 mL). The crude mixture was subjected to flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc 30:1) to yield the title compound (**1r**, 813.6 mg, 72%) as light yellow oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.45 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.38 (m, 2H), 2.65–2.71 (m, 1H), 2.03–2.09 (m, 2H), 1.70–1.79 (m, 4H), 1.51–1.61 (m, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 192.0, 133.2 130.8, 128.8, 120.4, 91.3, 87.6, 54.3, 30.0, 28.7, 26.6. IR (cm⁻¹): 2926, 2856, 2199, 1665, 1489, 1445, 1274

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₉O, 227.1436; found, 227.1437.

C. General Procedure for the Synthesis of 2H-Azirines



To a solution of alkene (5 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) cooled to 0 °C was added bromine (5 mmol) dropwise. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 5 minutes. Upon completion as indicated by TLC, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂SO₃ and stirred vigorously. The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with DCM (20 mL ×2). The organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the crude product which was used in next step without further purification.

To a solution of dibromide in DMF (10mL) was added NaN_3 (3.0 equiv). The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature, then diluted with water and extracted with diethyl ether (20 mL ×3). The combined organic layers were washed for three times with water, and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the crude product which was used in next step without further purification.

The crude vinyl azide was refluxed in toluene (0.1 M) for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to afford 2*H*-azirine.

For compounds **2a-2c** and **2e-2j**, all these 2*H*-azirines were known compounds.⁴⁻⁷ A new 2*H*-azirine was shown below.



518.6 mg, 73% yield, light yellow solid. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 30:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.99–8.01 (m, 2H), 7.84–7.86 (m, 2H), 1.87 (s, 2H);

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 165.9, 133.1, 130.1, 129.6, 118.1, 116.5, 20.9;

IR (cm⁻¹): 3047, 2229, 2098, 1624, 1502

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₉H₇N₂, 143.0609; found, 143.0610.

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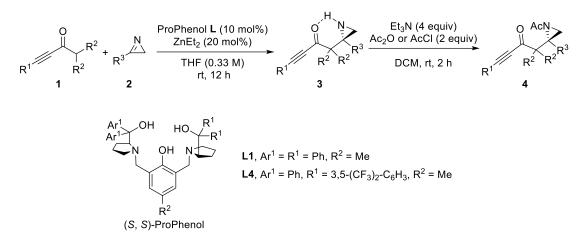
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E. General Procedure for the Mannich Reaction of 2*H*-Azirines with Alkynyl Ketones



A 5 mL thick-wall microwave vial was flame-dried (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) with a magnetic stir bar inside. (*S*,*S*)-ProPhenol ligand **L1** or **L4** (10 mol %) was added and the system was placed under an atmosphere of argon (balloon). The ligand was then dissolved in freshly distilled THF (0.1 mL). Et₂Zn (1.0 M in hexane, 20 mol %) was added and the suspension was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. A second flame-dried vial (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) was charged with alkynyl ketone **1** (0.1 mmol) and 2*H*-azirine **2** (0.15 mmol), and the system was placed under an atmosphere of argon (balloon). Freshly distilled THF (0.2 mL) was added and the prepared substrate solution was introduced to the stirred catalyst solution at room temperature. The combined reaction mixture was then sealed and stirred for 12 h at room temperature. Filtration through a plug of Celite and florisil gave the crude reaction mixture, which was concentrated in vacuo and purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to give the Mannich adduct **3**.

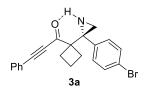
To a 10 mL vial placed with all the obtained Mannich adduct **3** (1 eq.) and a magnetic stir bar was added anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL), Et_3N (4 eq.), and Ac_2O or AcCl (2 eq.). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Then mixture was then direct purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to give the product **4**.

Unless otherwise noted, L1 was used as the Ligand, Ac₂O was used as the acetylation reagent.

For the racemic products, the same conditions were applied with a 1:1 mixture of the (S,S)- and (R,R)-ProPhenol ligands (L1) as the catalytic system.

F. Analysis Data for the Obtained Products

(R)-1-(1-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (3a)



31.9 mg, 84% yield, 95% ee (determined by acetylation), yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.54–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.36–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.21– 7.23 (m, 2H), 2.49–2.55 (m, 1H), 2.17–2.28 (m, 5H), 1.78–1.88 (m, 2H), 1.08 (brs, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.3, 139.1, 133.2, 131.7, 131.1, 130.2, 129.0, 122.1, 120.1, 93.4,

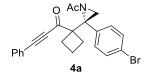
87.1, 59.4, 42.9, 30.0, 26.8, 25.9, 15.1.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2946, 2198, 1658, 1488, 1287.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉BrNO, 380.0650; found, 380.0641.

 $[\alpha]_D^{25}$: +2.34 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

(R)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4a)



35.0 mg, 83% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.36–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.10–7.13 (m, 2H), 3.13 (s, 1H), 3.01–3.07 (m, 1H), 2.76 (s, 1H), 2.51–2.59 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.43 (m, 1H), 2.07–2.14 (m, 1H), 1.95–2.04 (m, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.84–1.92 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 179.9, 133.7, 133.1, 132.2, 131.3, 129.7, 129.0, 123.2, 119.8, 93.6, 86.5, 59.4, 50.5, 33.2, 27.8, 27.3, 25.0 15.6.

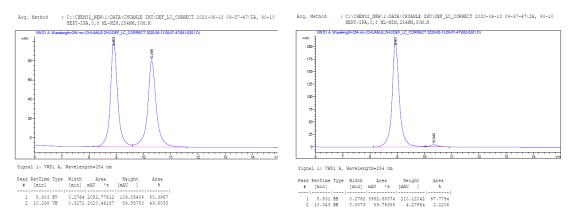
IR (cm⁻¹): 2992, 2942, 2197, 1693, 1662, 1490, 1368, 1258.

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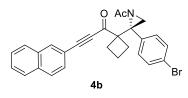
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 90:10 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

8.9 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 10.3$ min)

$[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -42.87 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4b)



32.0 mg, 68% yield, 98% ee, light yellow oil. **L4** was used as the Ligand. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.82–7.85 (m, 3H), 7.52–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.48 (m,

1H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.16 (m, 2H), 3.19 (s, 1H), 3.05-3.12 (m, 1H), 2.84 (s, 1H), 2.54-

2.62 (m, 1H), 2.39–2.46 (m, 1H), 2.12–2.18 (m, 1H), 1.89–2.07 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 180.0, 134.5, 134.2, 133.8, 12.8, 132.2, 129.8, 128.5, 128.4,

128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 123.2, 116.9, 94.2, 86.8, 59.5, 50.5, 33.3, 27.8, 27.4, 25.0, 15.6.

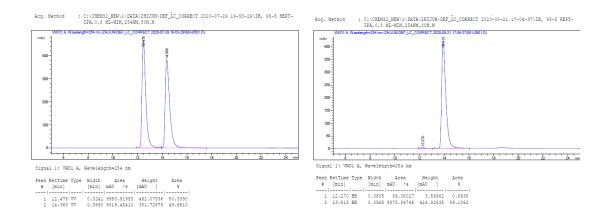
IR (cm⁻¹): 2942, 2194, 1692, 1660, 1368, 1227

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₇H₂₃BrNO₂, 472.0912; found, 472.0919.

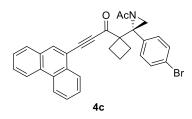
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 90:10 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{\text{major}} = 8.9 \text{ min}$, $T_{\text{minor}} = 10.3 \text{ min}$)

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 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: +7.13 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(Phenanthren-9-yl)prop-2yn-1-One (4c)



37.6 mg, 72% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.62–8.67 (m, 2H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61–7.74 (m, 4H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.13–3.20 (m, 2H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.60–2.67 (m, 1H), 2.45–2.52 (m, 1H), 2.23–2.28 (m, 1H), 2.04–2.12 (m, 1H), 1.91–1.99 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.8, 180.0, 135.7, 133.8, 132.2, 131.5, 130.7, 130.6, 130.2, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 126.5, 123.3, 123.0, 116.4, 92.2, 90.7, 59.5, 50.5, 33.3, 28.0, 27.5, 25.0, 15.7.

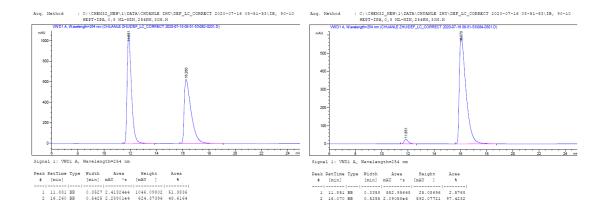
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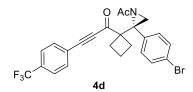
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 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -19.08 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4d)



38.8 mg, 79% yield, 96% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.63–7.65 (m, 2H), 7.57–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.10–

7.13 (m, 2H), 3.11 (s, 1H), 3.00–3.02 (m, 1H), 2.73 (s, 1H), 2.53–2.60 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.43 (m, 1H),

2.08-2.10 (m, 1H), 1.88-2.03 (m, 5H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.6, 179.8, 133.6, 133.3, 132.7 (q, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 32.8 Hz), 132.2, 129.7,

125.9 (q, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 3.6 \text{ Hz}$), 123.7 (q, ${}^{1}J_{F-C} = 268.1 \text{ Hz}$), 123.6, 123.3, 90.9, 87.6, 59.5, 50.3, 33.0, 27.8,

27.2, 24.9, 15.6.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -63.6 (s, 3F).

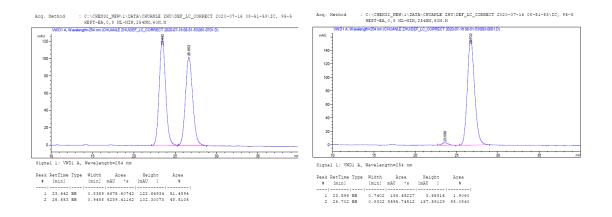
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HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₀BrF₃NO₂, 490.0630; found, 490.0634.

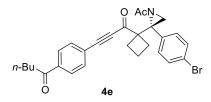
HPLC: 96% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IC, 95:5 heptane/Ethyl Acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 26.7 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 23.6 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -59.36 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(4-(3-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-oxoprop-1-yn-1-yl)phenyl)pentan-1-One (4e)



32.4 mg, 64% yield, 96% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.93–3.11 (m, 4H), 2.73 (s, 1H), 2.52–2.59 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.42 (m, 1H), 1.89–2.12 (m, 6H), 1.70 (hept, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.34–1.44 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 199.6, 187.6, 179.8, 138.5, 133.6, 133.2, 132.2, 129.7, 128.4, 124.0, 123.3, 91.7, 88.2, 59.5, 50.3, 38.7, 33.1, 27.8, 27.2, 26.5, 25.0, 22.6, 15.6, 14.2.

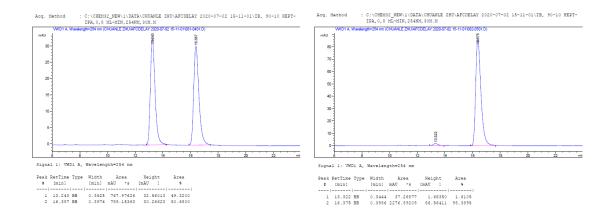
IR (cm⁻¹): 2955, 2199, 1688, 1367.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₈H₂₉BrNO₃, 506.1331; found, 506.1339.

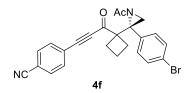
HPLC: 96% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 90:10 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{\text{major}} =$

16.3 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 13.3$ min)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -12.41 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-4-(3-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-oxoprop-1-yn-1-yl)benzonitrile (4f)



31.7 mg, 71% yield, 86% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.66–7.68 (m, 2H), 7.54–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.08–

7.12 (m, 2H), 3.08 (s, 1H), 2.96–3.02 (m, 1H), 2.70 (s, 1H), 2.52–2.60 (m, 1H), 2.34–2.41 (m, 1H),

2.06-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.86-2.00 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.5, 179.7, 133.5, 133.4, 132.6, 132.2, 129.8, 124.5, 123.4, 118.0,

114.5, 90.1, 88.9, 59.5, 50.2, 32.9, 27.8, 27.2, 24.9, 15.6.

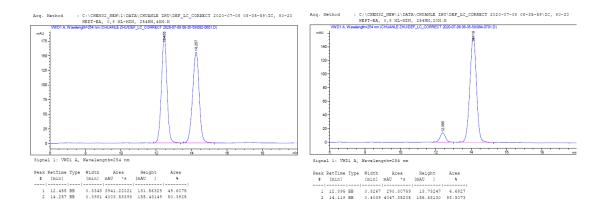
IR (cm⁻¹): 2945, 2230, 2203, 1667, 1497, 1370.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₀BrN₂O₂, 447.0708; found, 447.0710.

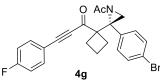
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 $T_{\text{major}} = 14.1 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 12.4 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -23.98 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4g)



30.3 mg, 69% yield, 86% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.06–7.12 (m, 4H), 3.11 (s,

1H), 3.00-3.06 (m, 1H), 2.74 (s, 1H), 2.51-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.42 (m, 1H), 2.06-2.13 (m, 1H),

1.87-2.04 (m, 5H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 179.9, 164.3 (d, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 252.9 Hz), 135.5 (d, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 8.9 Hz),

133.7, 132.2, 129.8, 123.2, 116.6 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 22.2$ Hz), 115.9 (d, ${}^{4}J_{F-C} = 3.6$ Hz), 92.5, 86.5, 59.3,

50.4, 33.1, 27.8, 27.3, 25.0, 15.6.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -105.7 – -105.8 (m, 1F).

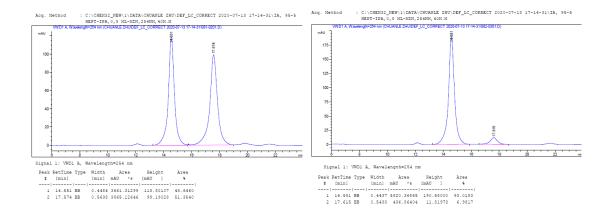
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₀BrFNO₂, 440.0661; found, 440.0665.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2944, 2199, 1693, 1662, 1505, 1230.

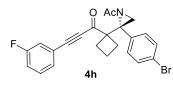
HPLC: 86% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

14.6 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 17.6$ min)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -34.84 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(3-Fluorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4h)



31.3 mg, 71% yield, 83% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.34–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.28 (m, 1H), 7.15–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.10–

7.12 (m, 2H), 3.11 (s, 1H), 2.99–3.05 (m, 1H), 2.73 (s, 1H), 2.52–2.59 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.42 (m, 1H),

2.06-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.99 (m, 5H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.6, 179.9, 162.5 (d, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 246.2 Hz), 133.6, 132.2, 130.8 (d,

 ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 8.5$ Hz), 129.7, 129.0 (d, ${}^{4}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 3.2$ Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 119.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 9.0$ Hz), 1

23.1 Hz), 118.7 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 21.1$ Hz), 91.5, 86.7, 59.5, 50.3, 33.1, 27.8, 27.2, 25.0, 15.5.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -111.6 – -111.6 (m, 1F).

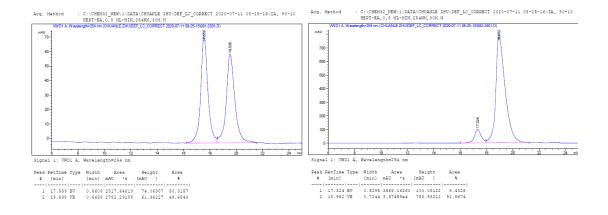
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₀BrFNO₂, 440.0661; found, 440.0664.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2944, 2197, 1693, 1665, 1484, 1369, 1269.

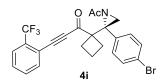
HPLC: 83% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 90:10 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 18.9 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 17.3 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -48.42(*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(2-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4d)



34.4 mg, 70% yield, 91% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.67–7.73 (m, 2H), 7.55–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.12–

7.15 (m, 2H), 3.08 (s, 1H), 3.00–3.06 (m, 1H), 2.75 (s, 1H), 2.54–2.61 (m, 1H), 2.34–2.41 (m, 1H),

2.09-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.82-2.00 (m, 5H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.4, 179.9, 136.2, 133.5, 132.2 (q, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 31.0 Hz), 132.1, 130.9, 129.9, 126.4 (q, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 5.0 Hz), 123.3 (q, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 270.9 Hz), 123.2, 118.1, 90.6, 87.9, 59.6, 50.2, 32.8, 27.8, 27.0, 24.9, 15.6.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -62.0 (s, 3F).

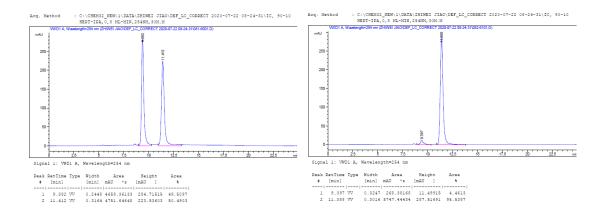
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₀BrF₃NO₂, 490.0630; found, 490.0639.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2945, 2203, 1694, 1667, 1492, 1320, 1172.

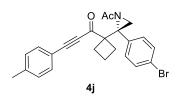
HPLC: 91% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 90:10 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

11.3 min, $T_{minor} = 9.3 min$)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -85.17 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(*p*-Tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4j)



21.0 mg, 48% yield, 90% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.19–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.10–7.12 (m, 2H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 3.02–3.07 (m, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H), 2.50–2.58 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.42 (m, 4H), 2.07–2.12 (m, 1H), 1.84–2.04 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.8, 180.0, 142.2, 133.8, 133.2, 132.1, 129.8, 129.7, 123.2, 116.7,

94.3, 86.5, 59.4, 50.5, 33.2, 27.8, 27.3, 25.0, 22.0, 15.6.

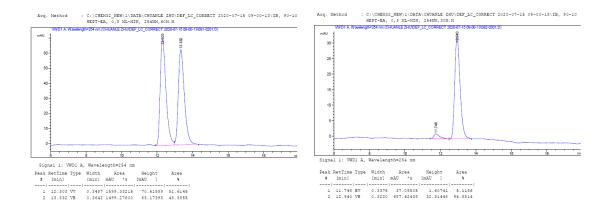
IR (cm⁻¹): 2943, 2194, 1693, 1659, 1369, 1260.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₃BrNO₂, 436.0912; found, 436.0916.

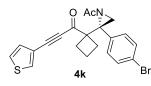
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 $T_{\text{major}} = 12.9 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 11.7 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -47.77 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(Thiophen-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4k)



34.7 mg, 81% yield, 98% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.68–7.69 (m, 1H), 7.33–7.39 (m, 3H), 7.09–7.14 (m, 3H), 3.10 (s,

1H), 2.96–3.02 (m, 1H), 2.74 (s, 1H), 2.49–2.57 (m, 1H), 2.33–2.41 (m, 1H), 2.05–2.11 (m, 1H),

1.85–2.12 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 179.9, 134.4, 133.7, 132.1, 130.2, 129.7, 126.8, 123.2, 119.1, 89.0, 86.8, 59.3, 50.4, 33.2, 27.7, 27.3, 25.0, 15.6.

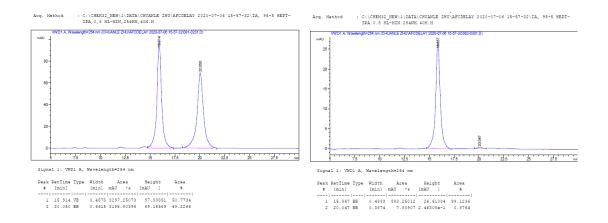
IR (cm⁻¹): 2932, 2192, 1658, 1363.

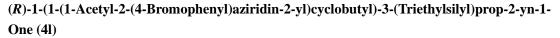
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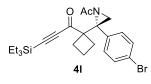
HPLC: 98% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

15.8 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 20.0 \text{ min}$)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -21.75 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)







37.6 mg, 82% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. AcCl was used as the acetylation reagent. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.05–7.09 (m, 2H), 2.99–3.06 (m, 2H), 2.66 (d,

J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.45–2.50 (m, 1H), 2.30–2.35 (m, 1H), 1.86–2.02 (m, 6H), 0.94–0.99 (m, 9H), 0.61–0.68 (m, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.4, 180.0, 133.6, 132.1, 129.7, 123.2, 101.7, 99.6, 59.2, 50.3, 33.3, 27.7, 27.2, 25.0, 15.5, 7.5, 4.0.

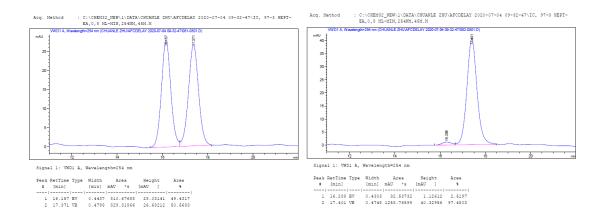
IR (cm⁻¹): 2955, 2876, 2147, 1698, 1669, 1369.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₃₁BrNO₂Si, 460.1307; found, 460.1306.

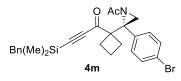
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IC, 97:3 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 17.4 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 16.2 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -58.65 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-(Benzyldimethylsilyl)prop-2-yn-1-One (4m)



39.0 mg, 79% yield, 86% ee, light yellow oil. AcCl was used as the acetylation reagent. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.11–7.14 (m, 1H), 7.00–

7.03 (m, 4H), 2.91–2.98 (m, 1H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.44–2.51 (m, 2H), 2.25–2.32 (m, 1H), 2.21 (s, 2H),

1.80-2.00 (m, 6H), 0.19 (s, 3H), 0.18 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.3, 179.8, 137.8, 133.6, 132.1, 129.7, 128.7, 128.5, 125.2, 123.2,

101.6, 99.6, 59.2, 50.1, 33.1, 27.6, 27.1, 25.4, 24.9, 15.4, -2.4, -2.5.

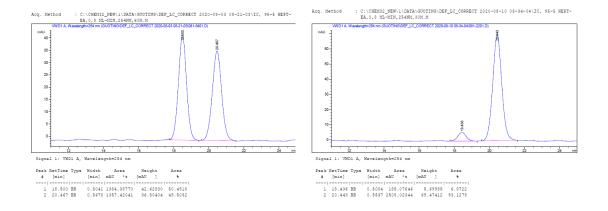
IR (cm⁻¹): 2953, 2149, 1695, 1668, 1492, 1367

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₉BrNO₂Si, 494.1151; found, 494.1148.

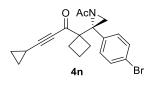
HPLC: 86% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IC, 95:5 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 20.4 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 18.4 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -61.63 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Cyclopropylprop-2-yn-1-One (4n)



15.5 mg, 40% yield, 94% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (s, 1H),

2.92-2.97 (m, 1H), 2.61 (s, 1H), 2.42-2.50 (m, 1H), 2.25-2.33 (m, 1H), 1.80-2.04 (m, 6H), 1.32-

1.38 (m, 6H), 0.97–0.99 (m, 2H), 0.80–0.84 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.8, 179.9, 133.9, 132.1, 129.6, 123.0, 101.7, 75.2, 59.0, 50.4,

33.2, 27.8, 27.3, 25.0, 15.5, 10.1, 0.0.

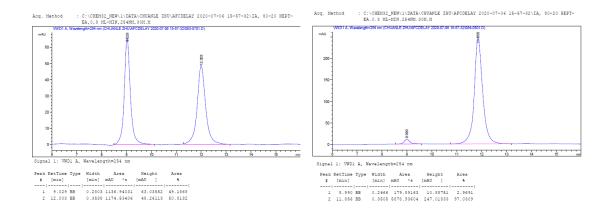
IR (cm⁻¹): 2943, 2204, 1692, 1659, 1365

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₁BrNO₂, 386.0756; found, 386.0753.

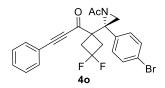
HPLC: 94% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 80:20 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 11.8 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 9.0 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -53.26 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)-3,3-Difluorocyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2yn-1-One (40)



33.6 mg, 73% yield, 88% ee, light yellow oil. AcCl was used as the acetylation reagent. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 2:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.49–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.13–7.15 (m, 2H), 3.63–

3.72 (m, 1H), 3.01–3.14 (m, 2H), 2.73–2.87 (m, 3H), 1.97 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 184.8 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 4.0 Hz), 179.3, 133.3, 132.4, 132.3, 131.8, 130.1, 129.1, 123.8, 119.2, 117.1 (dd, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 270.6 Hz, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 270.4 Hz), 95.8, 85.9, 49.5 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 2.7 Hz), 48.9 (dd, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 6.9 Hz, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 7.0 Hz), 41.3 (t, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 24.8 Hz), 40.9 (t, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 25.1 Hz), 33.7, 24.9.

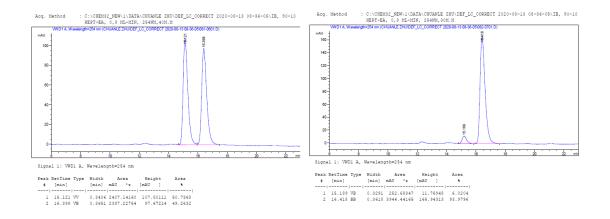
¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -86.4 – -86.9 (m, 1F), -94.5 – -95.1 (m, 1F).

IR (cm⁻¹): 2956, 2196, 1697, 1669, 1490, 1303

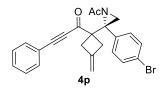
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₁₉BrF₂NO₂, 458.0567; found, 458.0567.

HPLC: 88% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 90:10 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{\text{major}} = 16.4 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 15.1 \text{ min}$)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -35.64 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)-3-Methylenecyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2yn-1-One (4p)



35.2 mg, 81% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.11–7.13 (m, 2H), 4.96 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.67–3.73 (m, 1H), 3.16–3.21 (m, 1H), 3.12 (s, 1H), 3.00–3.06 (m, 1H), 2.83–2.88 (m, 1H), 2.77–2.79 (m, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 186.9, 179.6, 140.1, 133.7, 133.2, 132.2, 131.4, 129.6, 129.0, 123.2,

119.7, 108.6, 94.2, 86.4, 55.0, 49.7, 38.2, 38.0, 33.9, 24.9.

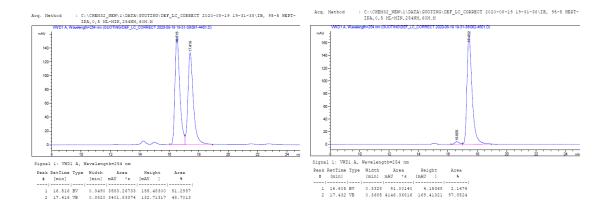
IR (cm⁻¹): 2920, 2197, 1691, 1663, 1399, 1277

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₁BrNO₂, 434.0756; found, 434.0746.

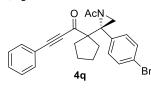
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

17.4 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 16.6$ min)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -135.33 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(R)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclopentyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4q)



21.8 mg, 50% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Using L4 as the ligand. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47–7.54 (m, 3H), 7.34–7.43 (m, 6H), 2.88 (s, 1H), 2.81 (s, 1H),

2.51-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.04-2.13 (m, 5H), 1.68-1.76 (m, 4H), 1.51-1.55 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.6, 178.4, 135.2, 133.2, 131.6, 131.5, 131.2, 129.0, 123.1, 119.9,

93.2, 87.2, 65.5, 52.5, 34.4, 32.6, 32.5, 25.0, 24.7, 24.4.

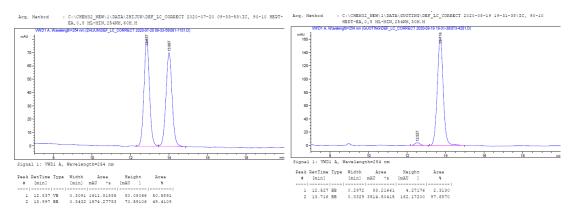
IR (cm⁻¹): 2957, 2872, 2195, 1664, 1489, 1267

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₃BrNO₂, 436.0912; found, 436.0910.

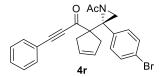
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IC, 90:10 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 13.7 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 12.5 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -12.20 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4r)



36.7 mg, 73% yield, 82% ee, light yellow oil. Using L4 as the ligand. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.53–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.50 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.42 (m, 6H), 5.68– 5.70 (m, 1H), 5.56–5.58 (m, 1H), 3.14–3.19 (m, 1H), 2.83–2.96 (m, 1H), 2.78 (s, 1H), 2.54–2.59

(m, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.6, 178.4, 135.0, 133.3, 131.6, 131.6, 131.3, 129.5, 129.0, 127.6, 123.1, 119.8, 93.7, 87.2, 64.6, 51.7, 39.2, 38.9, 34.0, 24.7.

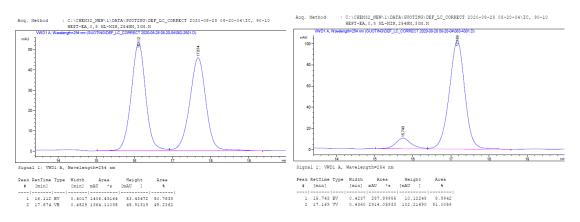
IR (cm⁻¹): 2922, 2195, 1669, 1488, 1271

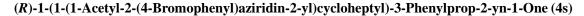
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₁BrNO₂, 434.0756; found, 434.0749.

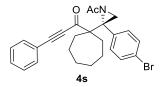
HPLC: 82% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IC, 90:10 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 17.1 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 15.7 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -6.82 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)







24.6 mg, 53% yield, 87% ee, light yellow oil. Using L4 as the ligand. Eluting with petroleum

ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.56–7.58 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.42 (m, 5H), 2.80 (s, 1H), 2.56 (s, 1H), 2.19–2.25 (m, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 1.87–1.93 (m, 1H), 1.71–1.82 (m, 1H), 1.39–1.59 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.8, 177.7, 134.9, 133.3, 132.9, 131.1, 131.1, 128.9, 123.0, 120.2,

93.6, 88.2, 58.6, 54.6, 33.1, 32.4, 32.1, 30.2, 30.1, 24.8, 23.7, 23.7.

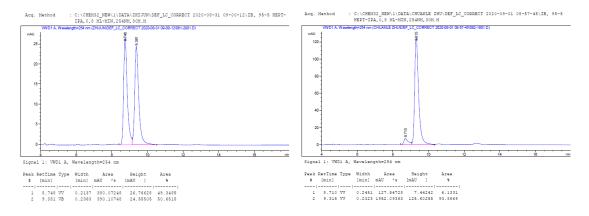
IR (cm⁻¹): 2926, 2855, 2197, 1658, 1460, 1388, 1270

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₇BrNO₂, 464.1225; found, 464.1221.

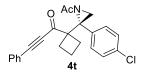
HPLC: 87% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

9.3 min, $T_{\rm minor} = 8.7$ min)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -61.73 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(R) - 1 - (1 - (1 - Acetyl - 2 - (4 - Chlorophenyl) aziridin - 2 - yl) cyclobutyl) - 3 - Phenyl prop - 2 - yn - 1 - One (4t)



33.6 mg, 89% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.36–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.24 (m, 4H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 3.01–3.08 (m, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H), 2.51–2.59 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.43 (m, 1H), 2.06–2.13 (m, 1H), 1.85–2.02 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 180.0, 134.9, 133.2, 133.1, 131.3, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 119.8,

93.5, 86.5, 59.5, 50.4, 33.2, 27.8, 27.3, 25.0, 15.6.

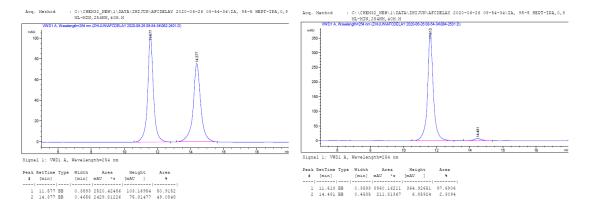
IR (cm⁻¹): 2942, 2197, 1693, 1661, 1492, 1258.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₁ClNO₂, 378.1261; found, 378.1261.

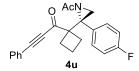
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

11.6 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 14.4 \text{ min}$)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -108.25 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(R)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-Fluorophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4u)



31.7 mg, 88% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.36–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.25 (m, 2H), 6.93–6.97 (m, 2H), 3.15 (s, 1H), 3.01–3.08 (m, 1H), 2.76 (s, 1H), 2.53–2.61 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.43 (m, 1H), 2.06–2.13 (m, 1H), 1.85–2.01 (m, 5H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.8, 180.1, 162.8 (d, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 247.6 Hz), 133.1, 131.3, 130.5 (d,

 ${}^{4}J_{F-C} = 4.5$ Hz), 130.0 (d, ${}^{3}J_{F-C} = 8.2$ Hz), 129.0, 119.8, 116.0 (d, ${}^{2}J_{F-C} = 21.4$ Hz), 93.4, 86.6, 59.7,

50.5, 33.1, 27.8, 27.3, 25.0, 15.5.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -112.7 - -112.8 (m, 1F)

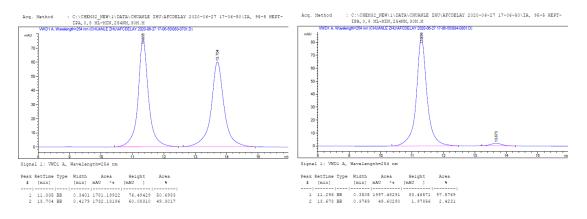
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₁FNO₂, 362.1556; found, 362.1555.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2941, 2198, 1693, 1662, 1513, 1369, 1256

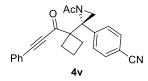
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

11.3 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 13.7 \text{ min}$)

$[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -79.46 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(R)-4-(1-Acetyl-2-(1-(3-Phenylpropioloyl)cyclobutyl)aziridin-2-yl)benzonitrile (4v)



26.1 mg, 71% yield, 96% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.36–7.41 (m, 4H), 3.11 (s,

1H), 2.98-3.04 (m, 1H), 2.84 (s, 1H), 2.52-2.60 (m, 1H), 2.35-2.43 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.18 (m, 1H),

1.89-2.05 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.6, 179.0, 140.1, 133.2, 132.6, 131.5, 129.1, 129.0, 119.6, 118.3,

112.7, 94.0, 86.4, 59.1, 50.4, 33.6, 27.7, 27.3, 24.8, 15.6.

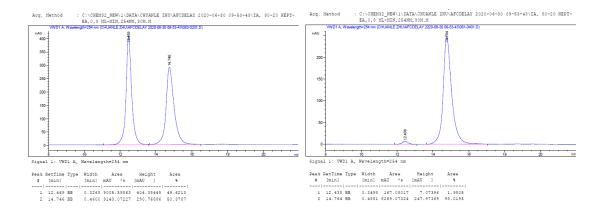
IR (cm⁻¹): 2942, 2229, 2197, 1693, 1661, 1370, 1288.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₁N₂O₂, 369.1603; found, 369.1600.

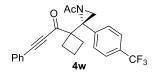
HPLC: 96% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 80:20 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 14.7 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 12.4 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -48.45 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4w)



28.4 mg, 69% yield, 90% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45–7.54 (m, 5H), 7.37–7.41 (m, 4H), 3.16 (s, 1H), 3.02–3.08 (m,

1H), 2.83 (s, 1H), 2.55–2.62 (m, 1H), 2.38–2.45 (m, 1H), 2.11–2.18 (m, 1H), 1.87–2.05 (m, 5H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 179.5, 138.7, 133.2, 131.4, 130.9 (q, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 32.6 Hz), 129.0,

128.5, 125.9 (q, ${}^{3}J_{F-C}$ = 3.7 Hz), 123.9 (q, ${}^{1}J_{F-C}$ = 270.6 Hz), 119.7, 93.8, 86.5, 59.3, 50.4, 33.4, 27.7,

27.3, 24.9, 15.6.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -63.3 (s, 3F)

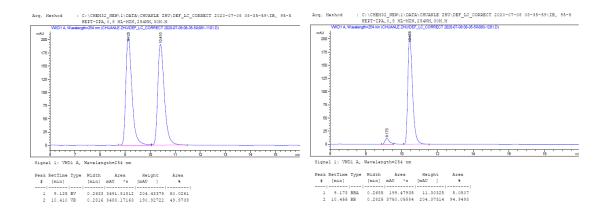
IR (cm⁻¹): 2942, 2198, 1694, 1662, 1327, 1170

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₁F₃NO₂, 412.1524; found, 412.1521.

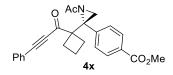
HPLC: 90% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

10.4 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 9.1 \text{ min}$)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -98.07 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



Methyl (R)-4-(1-Acetyl-2-(1-(3-Phenylpropioloyl)cyclobutyl)aziridin-2-yl)benzoate (4x)



33.3 mg, 83% yield, 83% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91–7.93 (m, 2H), 7.43–7.48 (m, 3H), 7.34–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.28–

7.30 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 1H), 3.04–3.11 (m, 1H), 2.80 (s, 1H), 2.52–2.59 (m, 1H), 2.36–

2.44 (m, 1H), 1.97–2.14 (m, 2H), 1.84–1.89 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 179.7, 166.5, 139.7, 133.1, 131.3, 130.5, 130.2, 129.0, 127.9,

119.7, 93.6, 86.5, 59.3, 52.4, 50.4, 33.6, 27.8, 27.4, 24.9, 15.6.

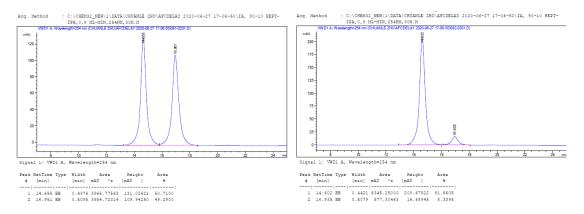
IR (cm⁻¹): 2994, 2949, 2198, 1723, 1662, 1612, 1437, 1284

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₅H₂₄NO₄, 402.1705; found, 402.1704.

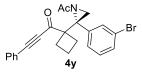
HPLC: 96% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 80:20 heptane/ethyl acetate, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm;

 $T_{\text{major}} = 14.6 \text{ min}, T_{\text{minor}} = 16.9 \text{ min})$

 $[\alpha]_D^{25}$: -82.93 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(R)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(3-Bromophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4y)



31.9 mg, 76% yield, 86% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45–7.52 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.12–7.22 (m, 2H), 3.12 (s, 1H), 3.01–3.07 (m, 1H), 2.75 (s, 1H), 2.53–2.61 (m, 1H), 2.35–2.42 (m, 1H), 2.07–2.14 (m, 1H), 1.84–2.05 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 179.7, 137.0, 133.1, 132.1, 131.3, 131.2, 130.4, 129.0, 126.9,

123.0, 119.8, 93.7, 86.5, 59.4, 50.5, 33.1, 27.8, 27.4, 25.0, 15.6.

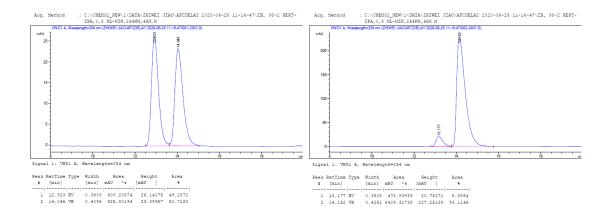
IR (cm⁻¹): 2941, 2197, 1694, 1661, 1486, 1369.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₁BrNO₂, 422.0756; found, 422.0757.

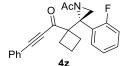
HPLC: 86% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 98:2 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

14.1 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 13.1$ min)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -104.42 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(R)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(2-Fluorophenyl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4z)



20.9 mg, 58% yield, 97% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36–7.55 (m, 6H), 7.21–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.04–7.08 (m, 1H), 6.94–7.00 (m, 1H), 3.05 (s, 1H), 2.77–2.83 (m, 2H), 2.58–2.66 (m, 1H), 2.31–2.38 (m, 1H), 2.17–2.24 (m, 4H), 1.78–1.88 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.3, 179.3, 160.5 (d, ¹*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 247.5 Hz), 133.2, 132.6 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 3.2 Hz), 131.1, 131.0 (d, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 8.7 Hz), 128.9, 124.3 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 3.5 Hz), 122.0 (d, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 13.3 Hz), 120.1, 116.5 (d, ²*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 23.2 Hz), 93.5, 86.7, 60.3, 48.3, 32.5 (d, ³*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 5.7 Hz), 28.1 (d, ⁴*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 3.3 Hz), 27.5, 24.5 (d, ⁵*J*_{*F*-*C*} = 2.4 Hz), 15.5.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -109.1 – -109.2 (m, 1F).

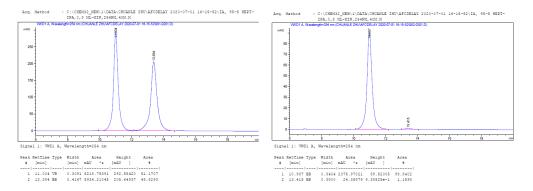
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₁FNO₂, 362.1556; found, 362.1556.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2949, 2198, 1662, 1490, 1370

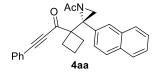
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

11.0 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 13.4 \text{ min}$)

 $[\alpha]_D^{25}$: -39.68 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(1-Acetyl-2-(Naphthalen-2-yl)aziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4aa)



33.4 mg, 85% yield, 95% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.73–7.76 (m, 4H), 7.43–7.47 (m, 5H), 7.34–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.25–

7.28 (m, 1H), 3.37 (s, 1H), 3.21–3.26 (m, 1H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 2.53–2.71 (m, 1H), 2.45–2.52 (m, 1H),

2.02–2.18 (m, 2H), 1.90–1.95 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.0, 180.3, 133.2, 133.1, 133.1, 132.2, 131.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5,

128.1, 127.7, 127.0, 126.8, 124.3, 119.9, 93.4, 86.7, 59.6, 50.8, 33.7, 28.0, 27.6, 25.0, 15.7.

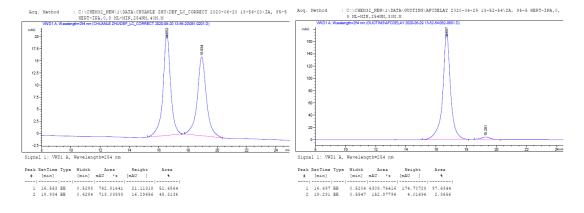
IR (cm⁻¹): 2941, 2197, 1691, 1661, 1369, 1284.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₇H₂₄NO₂, 394.1807; found, 394.1801.

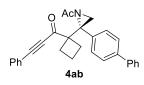
HPLC: 95% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

16.7 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 19.3$ min)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -23.80 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



(*R*)-1-(1-(2-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl)-1-Acetylaziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (4ab)



33.2 mg, 79% yield, 87% ee, light yellow oil. Eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1 for column chromatography.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.49–7.52 (m, 6H), 7.42–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.33–

7.36 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.30 (m, 2H), 3.27 (s, 1H), 3.13–3.18 (m, 1H), 2.81 (s, 1H), 2.57–2.65 (m, 1H),

2.41–2.48 (m, 1H), 2.01–2.15 (m, 2H), 1.90–1.95 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.0, 180.5, 141.5, 140.2, 133.5, 133.2, 131.2, 129.0, 129.0, 128.2,

127.9, 127.6, 127.2, 120.0, 93.4, 86.7, 59.6, 50.6, 33.4, 27.9, 27.4, 25.1, 15.7.

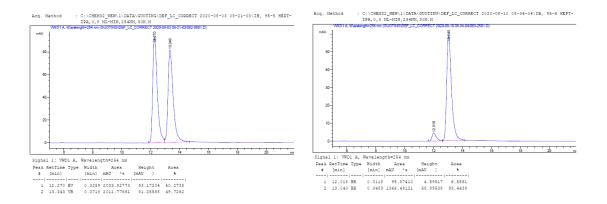
IR (cm⁻¹): 2940, 2198, 1691, 1661, 1487, 1368.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₉H₂₆NO₂, 420.1964; found, 420.1959.

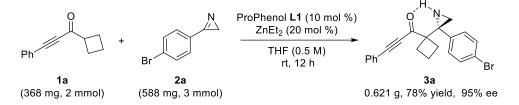
HPLC: 87% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 95:5 heptane/iPrOH, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} =$

13.0 min, $T_{\text{minor}} = 12.0 \text{ min}$)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -9.76 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

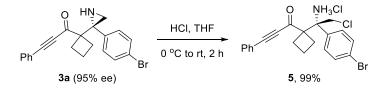


G. Procedure for the Scale-Up Synthesis and Transformation of 3a



A 10 mL thick-wall microwave vial was flame-dried (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) with a magnetic stir bar inside. (*S*,*S*)-ProPhenol ligand **L1** (127.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added and the system was placed under an atmosphere of argon (balloon). The ligand was then dissolved in freshly distilled THF (2 mL). Et₂Zn (1.0 M in hexane, 0.4 mL, 0.4 mmol) was added dropwise and the suspension was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. A second flame-dried vial (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) was charged with alkynyl ketone **1a** (368.0 mg, 2 mmol) and 2*H*-azirine **2a** (588.0 mg, 3 mmol), and the system was placed under an atmosphere of argon (balloon). Freshly distilled THF (2 mL) was added and the prepared substrate solution was introduced to the stirred catalyst solution at room temperature. The combined reaction mixture was then sealed and stirred for 12 h at room temperature. Filtration through a plug of Celite and florisil gave the crude reaction mixture, which was concentrated in vacuo and purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate=3:1) to give the Mannich adduct **3a** (0.621 g, 78% yield, 95% ee).

The Applications of 3a



A 10 mL thick-wall microwave vial was flame-dried (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) with a magnetic stir bar inside. To a solution of **3a** (76 mg, 0.2 mmol) in anhydrous THF (4 mL) was added HCl (2.0 M in Et₂O, 0.3 mL, 0.6 mmol) at 0 $^{\circ}$ C under N₂. The resulting mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature, and stirred for 2 hours. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure to give product **5** as a grey solid.

(R)-1-(1-(1-Amino-1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-Chloroethyl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-

One· Hydrogen Chloride (5)

90.0 mg, 99% yield. Grey solid.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, *d*₆-DMSO): δ 9.44 (brs, 3H), 7.60–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.54 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.47 (m, 4H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10–3.23 (m, 1H), 2.85–2.93 (m, 1H), 2.31–2.41 (m, 2H), 1.53–1.62 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, *d*₆-DMSO): δ 190.0, 133.8, 133.7, 132.3, 131.9, 131.2, 130.3, 129.7, 123.5, 119.0, 96.0, 86.9, 65.1, 61.1, 28.3, 28.1, 25.8, 15.6.

IR (cm⁻¹): 3402, 2978, 2194, 1648, 1518, 1493

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₁BrCl₂NO, 452.0184; found, 452.0187.

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: +69.34 (*c* = 1.0, THF)



A 10 mL thick-wall microwave vial was flame-dried (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) with a magnetic stir bar inside was added DMAP (1.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), TsCl (38.0 mg, 0.2 mmol). Then a solution of **3a** (38.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Et₃N (40.4 mg, 0.4 mmol) in anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) was added at room temperature under N₂. The resulting mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 36 h. After this time, the reaction was extracted three times with dichloromethane (10 mL each) and H₂O. The organic layers were combined, washed with brine and dried over magnesium sulfate. Solvent

was removed by rotary evaporation. The crude material was further purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 10:1) to yield **6** as a white solid.

(*R*)-1-(1-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)-1-Tosylaziridin-2-yl)cyclobutyl)-3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-One (6)35.8 mg, 67% yield. White solid.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.69–7.71 (m, 2H), 7.47–7.52 (m, 3H), 7.38–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.27–7.32 (m, 4H), 3.26 (s, 1H), 2.81–2.85 (m, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H), 2.63–2.71 (m, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.35–2.40 (m, 1H), 1.94–2.01 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.88 (m, 2H).

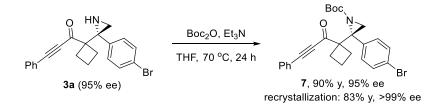
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.0, 144.6, 136.3, 133.1, 131.8, 131.7, 131.5, 131.3, 129.7, 129.1,

 $128.1,\,123.9,\,119.8,\,93.4,\,86.6,\,60.8,\,55.5,\,36.3,\,27.6,\,26.6,\,21.9,\,15.2.$

IR (cm⁻¹): 2949, 2197, 1664, 1489, 1326, 1160.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₈H₂₅BrNO₃S, 534.0739; found, 534.0732.

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -136.32 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



A 10 mL thick-wall microwave vial was flame-dried (propane torch for 5 seconds under vacuum) with a magnetic stir bar inside was added Boc₂O (87.2 mg, 0.4 mmol). Then a solution of **3a** (38.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Et₃N (80.8 mg, 0.8 mmol) in anhydrous THF (1 mL) was added at room temperature under N₂. The resulting mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 24 h. After this time, the reaction was extracted three times with ethyl acetate (10 mL each) and H₂O (10 mL). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine and dried over magnesium sulfate. Solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The crude material was further purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) to yield **7** as a white solid.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(1-(3-Phenylpropioloyl)cyclobutyl)aziridine-1-Carboxyl ate (7)

43.2 mg, 90% yield, 95% ee, white solid. After recrystallization, 83% yield, >99% ee ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47–7.53 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.20–7.22 (m, 2H), 3.07 (s, 1H), 2.88–2.94 (m, 1H), 2.63–2.71 (m, 2H), 2.36–2.44 (m, 1H), 1.79–2.04 (m, 3H), 1.19 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.8, 160.1, 133.4, 133.1, 131.5, 131.3, 131.2, 129.0, 123.2, 120.0,

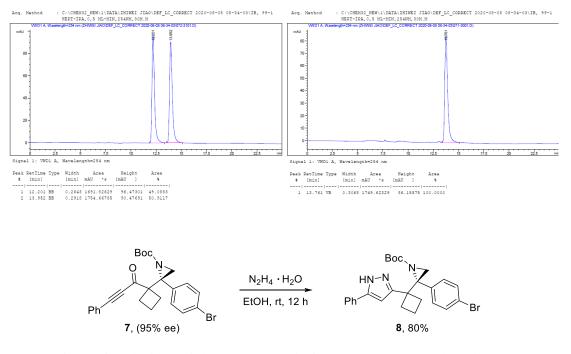
93.1, 86.7, 81.8, 60.2, 50.5, 33.0, 27.8, 27.4, 26.9, 15.6.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2979, 2939, 2198, 1718, 1663, 1367, 1255

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+Na]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₆BrNO₃Na, 502.0994; found, 502.0994.

HPLC: >99% ee, (Daicel CHIRALPAK IB, 99:1 heptane/iPrOH, 0.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm; $T_{major} = 13.7$ min,)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -14.24 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃)



A 5 mL vial, equipped with a stir bar, was charged with 7 (48 mg, 0.1 mmol) and EtOH (1 mL). Hydrazine monohydrate (10 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added to the solution at rt. The resulting solution was stirred at rt for 12 h before concentrating in vacuo. Flash silica column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) gave the title compound **8** as colorless oil.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(1-(5-Phenyl-1*H*-Pyrazol-3-yl)cyclobutyl)aziridine-1-C arboxylate (8)

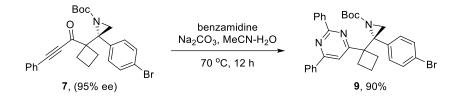
39.4 mg, 80% yield, colorless oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.26–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.24–7.26 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 2.82 (s, 1H), 2.61 (s, 1H), 2.32–2.50 (m, 3H), 2.04–2.12 (m, 2H), 1.83–1.90 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.7, 135.6, 131.1, 130.6, 128.8, 127.8, 125.7, 122.3, 101.4, 82.6, 54.4, 45.4, 34.0, 31.6, 30.6, 28.0, 16.2.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2979, 1713, 1490, 1460, 1368, 1339, 1250.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): $[M+H]^+$ Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₉BrN₃O₂, 494.1443; found, 494.1434. [α] p^{25} : +120.78 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)



To a solution of **7** (24 mg, 0.05 mmol) in acetonitrile/H₂O (0.5/0.2 mL) was added Na₂CO₃ (26.5 mg, 0.25 mmol) and benzamidine (8.4 mg, 0.07 mmol), respectively. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for overnight before cooling down to rt. EtOAc (10 mL) and H₂O (10 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel (Petroleum ether: EtOAc = 20: 1) to yield **9** as colorless oil.

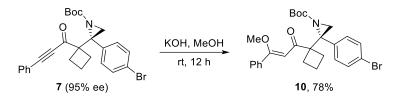
tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(1-(2,6-Diphenylpyrimidin-4-yl)cyclobutyl)aziridine-1-C arboxylate (9)

26.2 mg, 90% yield, colorless oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.54–8.56 (m, 2H), 8.03–8.05 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.53 (m, 6H), 7.23–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.79–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.79 (s, 1H), 2.56–2.63 (m, 1H), 2.24–2.31 (m, 1H), 1.91–1.95 (m, 2H), 1.24 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 164.1, 163.9, 160.5, 138.3, 137.7, 134.2, 131.8, 131.0, 130.9, 130.8, 129.1, 128.7, 128.5, 127.5, 122.6, 112.5, 81.6, 53.8, 53.6, 33.2, 20.2, 29.0, 27.9, 16.0.
IR (cm⁻¹): 2977, 1716, 1567 1365, 1282, 1247.

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+H]⁺ Calcd. for C₃₂H₃₃BrN₃O₂, 582.1756; found, 582.1749. [α]_D²⁵: -18.13 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃)



To a solution of 7 (24 mg, 0.05 mmol) in MeOH (0.5 mL) was added KOH (85%, 6.6 mg, 0.1 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. EtOAc (10 mL) and H₂O (10 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel (Petroleum ether: EtOAc = 4: 1) to yield **10** as white solid.

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1-Carboxylate (10)

20.0 mg, 78% yield, white solid.

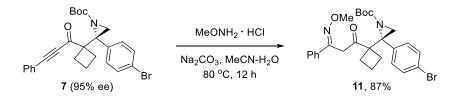
¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.16–7.23 (m, 4H), 7.09– 7.12 (m, 2H), 4.01 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.53 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (s, 1H), 2.88– 2.95 (m, 1H), 2.58–2.65 (m, 2H), 2.27–2.35 (m, 1H), 1.79–2.08 (m, 3H), 1.15 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 197.4, 171.6, 160.3, 135.2, 134.0, 131.5, 131.4, 130.0, 128.5, 128.0, 123.0, 97.5, 81.7, 58.6, 56.5, 51.5, 32.9, 27.8, 26.8, 15.7.

IR (cm⁻¹): 2934, 1715, 1681, 1586, 1567, 1368, 1283

HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+Na]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₇H₃₀BrNO₄Na, 534.1256; found, 534.1252.

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$: -104.58 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)



To a solution of **7** (36 mg, 0.075 mmol) in acetonitrile/H₂O (0.8/0.2 mL) was added Na₂CO₃ (23.9 mg, 0.225 mmol) and *O*-methoxylamine hydrogen chloride (12.5 mg, 0.15 mmol), respectively. The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for overnight before cooling down to rt. EtOAc (10 mL) and H₂O (10 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3 x

10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel (Petroleum ether: EtOAc = 20: 1) to yield **11** as colorless oil.

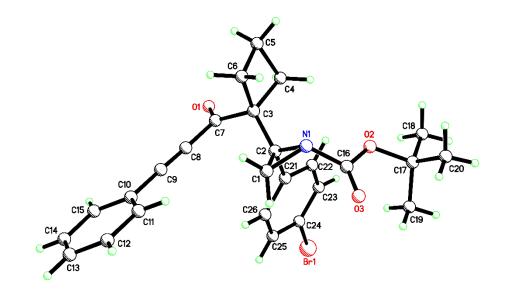
tert-Butyl (*R*, *E*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(1-(3-(Methoxyimino)-3-Phenylpropanoyl)cyclobutyl) aziridine-1-Carboxylate (11)

34.3 mg, 87% yield, colorless oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.19–7.26 (m, 4H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H),
5.67 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.02 (s, 1H), 2.69–2.76 (m, 1H), 2.61 (s, 1H), 2.46–2.54 (m, 1H), 2.17–
2.24 (m, 1H), 1.99–2.04 (m, 1H), 1.75–1.84 (m, 2H), 1.19 (s, 9H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 204.1, 160.0, 152.2, 135.7, 133.7, 131.9, 130.7, 129.3, 128.6, 126.0,
123.2, 81.9, 62.3, 59.2, 50.1, 37.2, 32.9, 28.3, 27.7, 27.0, 15.9.
IR (cm⁻¹): 2997, 2938, 1714, 1492, 1397, 1367, 1276.
HRMS (ESI-TOF, m/z): [M+Na]⁺ Calcd. for C₂₇H₃₁BrN₂O₄Na, 549.1365; found, 549.1362.
[*α*]_D²⁵: -72.90 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

H. X-Ray Crystallographic Data

The obtained compound **7** (43.2 mg, 95% ee) was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (0.2 mL) in a 20 mL vial, then petroleum ether (15 mL) was added slowly. The resulted two-phase mixture was allowed to open to air to volatilize the solvent and stand overnight. Separated the white solid and the solvent. Concentrated the solvent under reduced pressure to give compound **7**. The obtained compound **7** (> 99% ee) was heated to reflux in petroleum ether (10 mL) till the dissolve of the solid. Then the resulting solvent was allowed to open to air to volatilize the solvent and cool down to room temperature naturally. Then the colorless crystal of **7** was formed. The X-ray crystallographic structures for **7**. ORTEP representation with 50% probability thermal ellipsoids. Solvent are omitted for clarity. Crystal data have been deposited to CCDC, number 2027241.

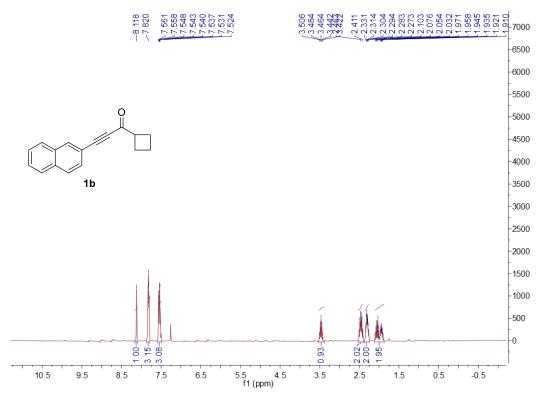


| Empirical formula | $C_{26}H_{26}BrNO_3$ |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Formula weight | 480.39 |
| Temperature | 120 (2) K |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system, space group | Orthorhombic, P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 |
| Unit cell dimensions | a = 17.3328(19) Å $alpha = 90$ deg. $b = 10.8849(12)$ Å $beta = 90$ deg. $c = 12.6609(14)$ Å $gamma = 90$ deg. |
| Volume | 2388.7(5)Å ³ |
| Z, Calculated density | 4, 1.336 Mg/m ³ |
| Absorption coefficient | 1.747 mm ⁻¹ |
| F(000) | 992 |
| Crystal size | 0.209×0.193×0.133 mm ³ |
| Theta range for data collection | 1.608 to 28.297 deg. |
| Limiting indices | $-22 \le h \le 23, -14 \le k \le 14, -16 \le l \le 16$ |
| Reflections collected / unique | 36821 / 5951 [R(int) = 0.0377] |
| Completeness to theta $= 25.242$ | 100.0 % |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on F ² |

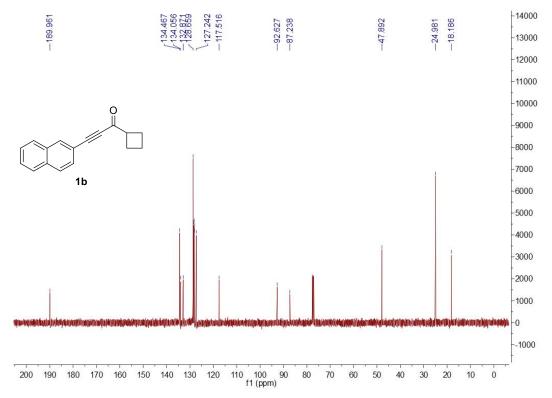
| Data / restraints / parameters | 5951 / 0 / 283 |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.040 |
| Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)] | R1 = 0.0322, $wR2 = 0.0662$ |
| R indices (all data) | R1 = 0.436, $wR2 = 0.0698$ |
| Absolute structure parameter | 0.002(3) |
| Extinction coefficient | n/a |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.473 and -0.578 e ⁻ .Å ⁻³ |

I. NMR Spectra of New Compounds

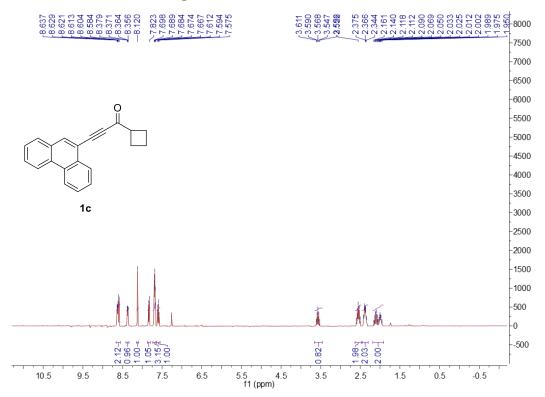
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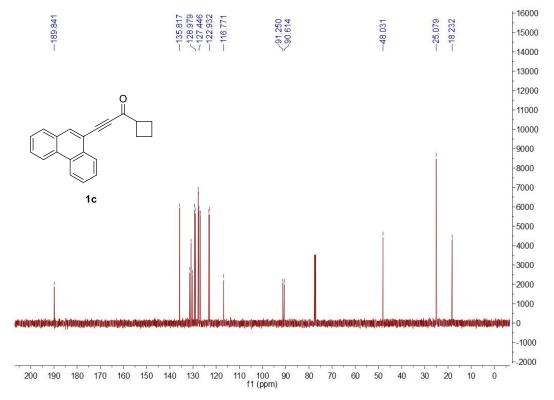
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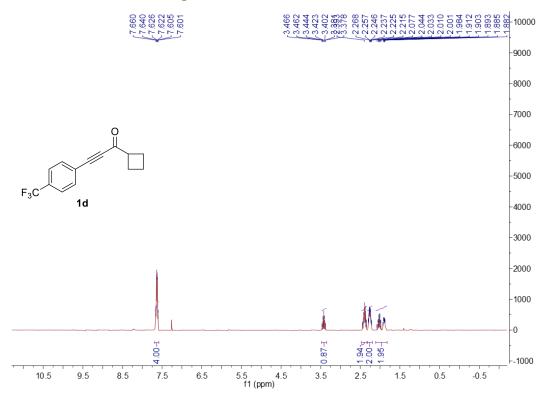
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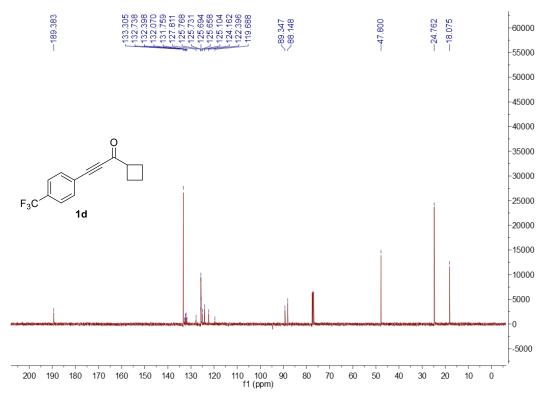
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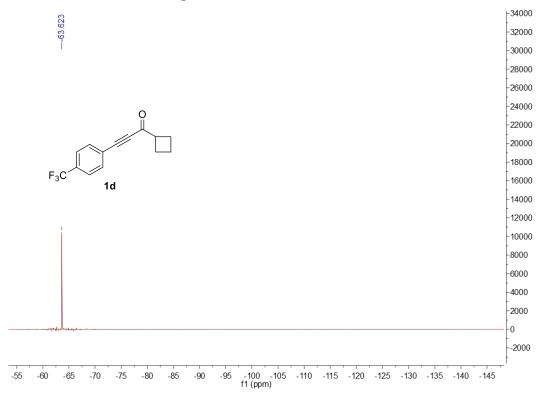
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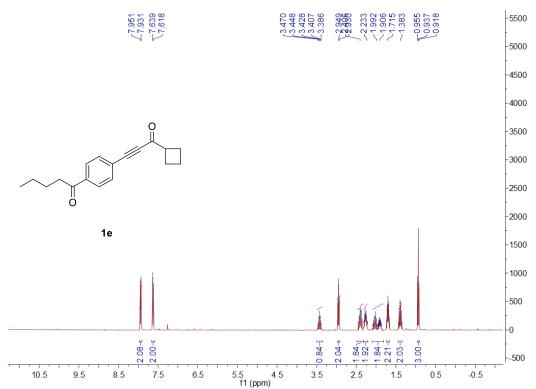
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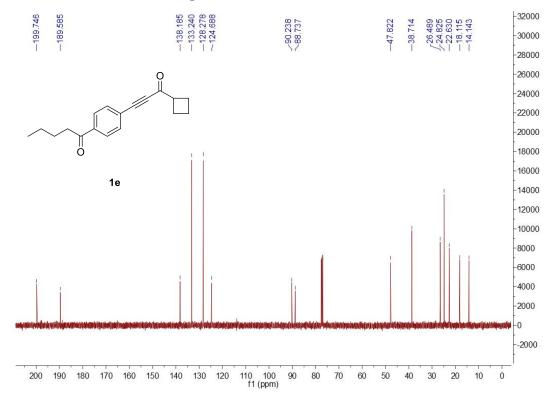




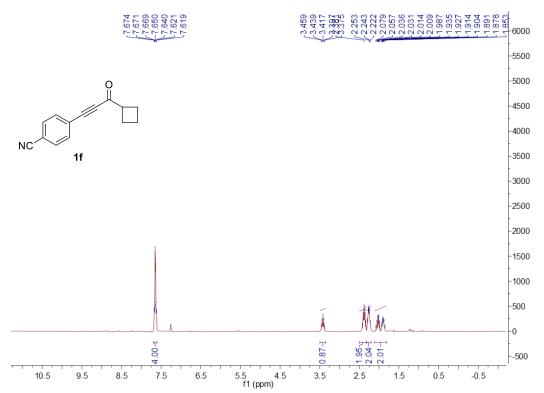
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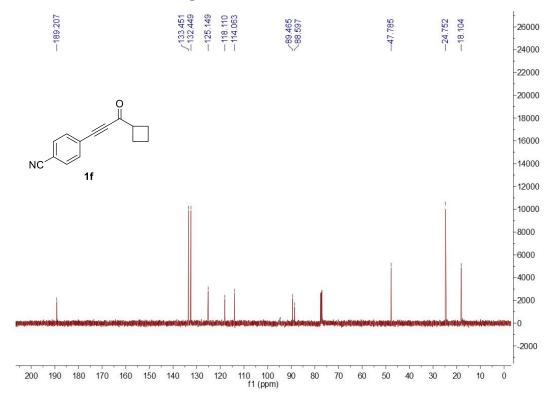
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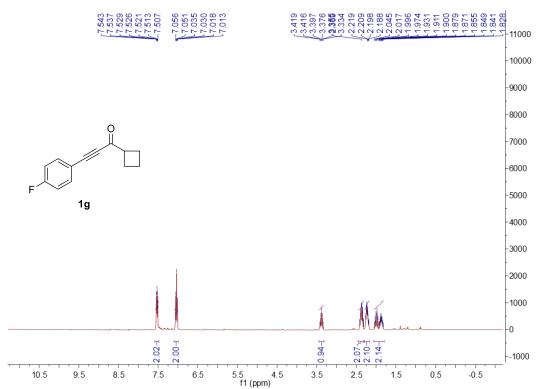
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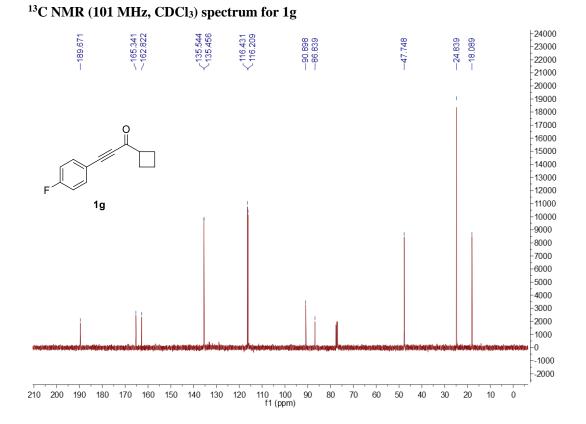


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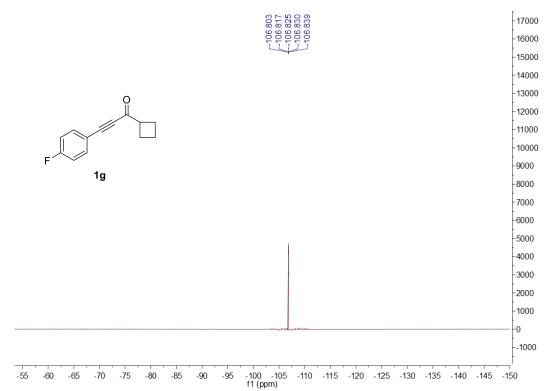


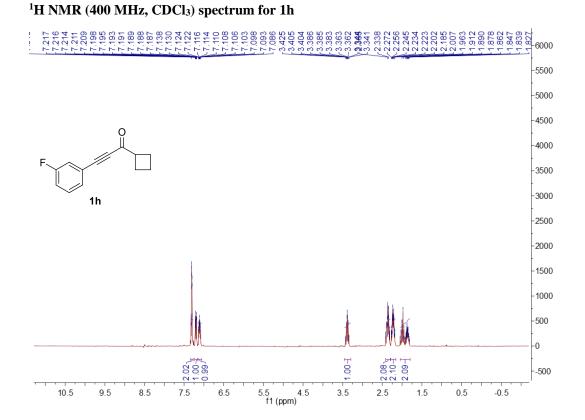
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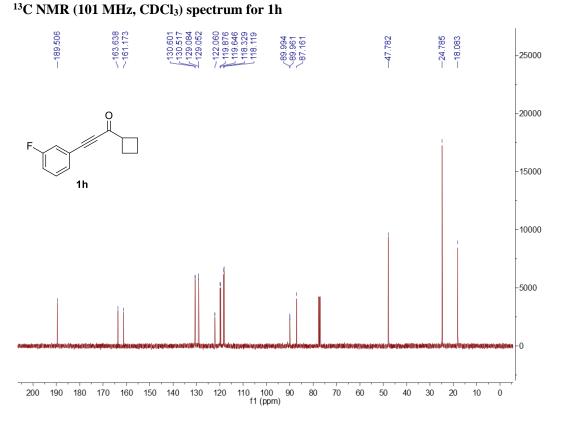




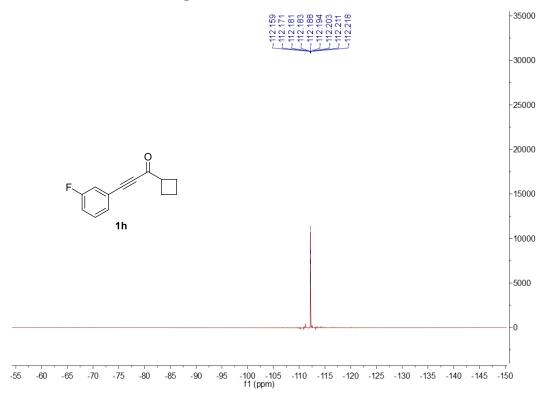
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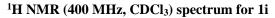


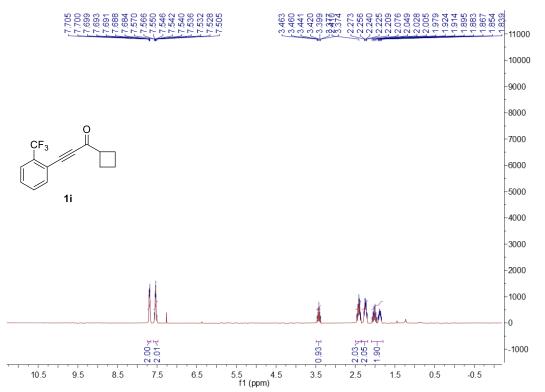




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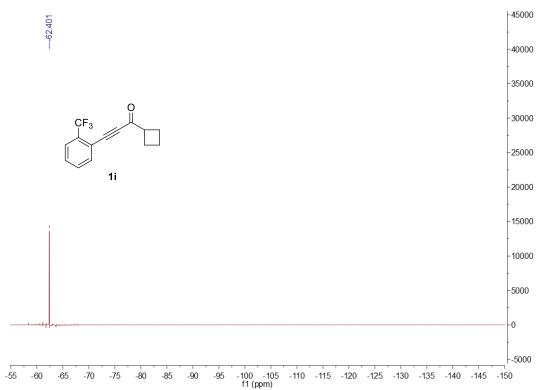




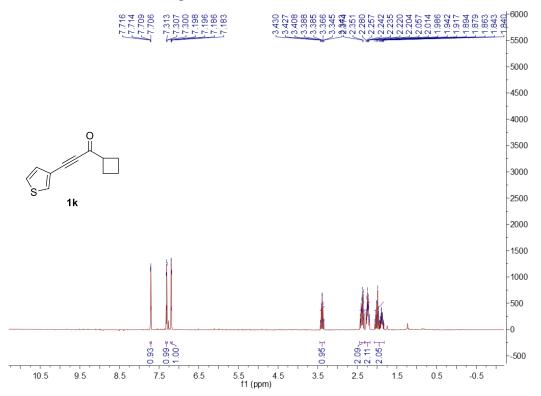


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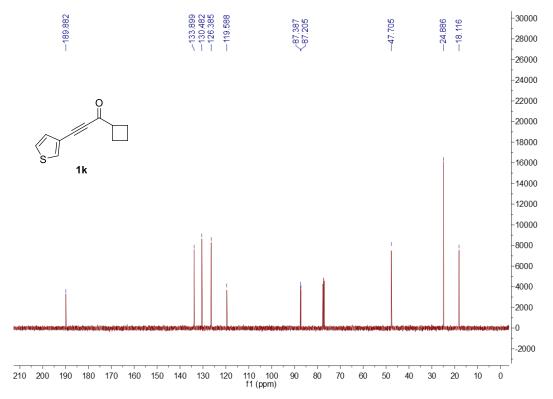
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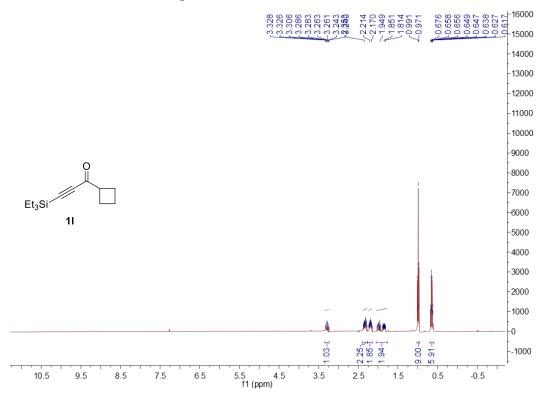
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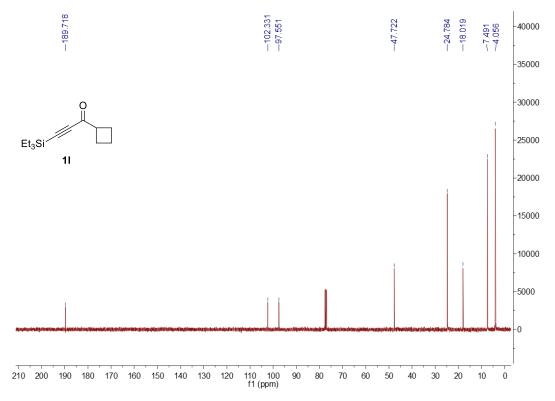
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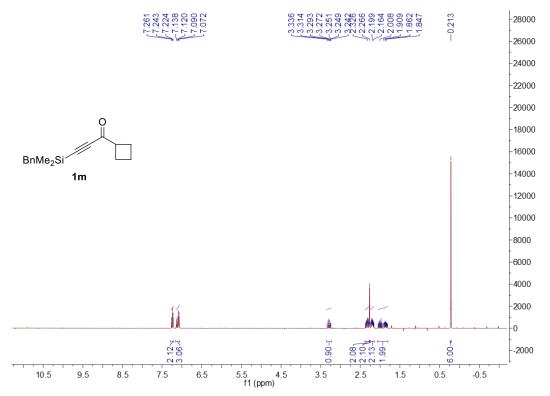
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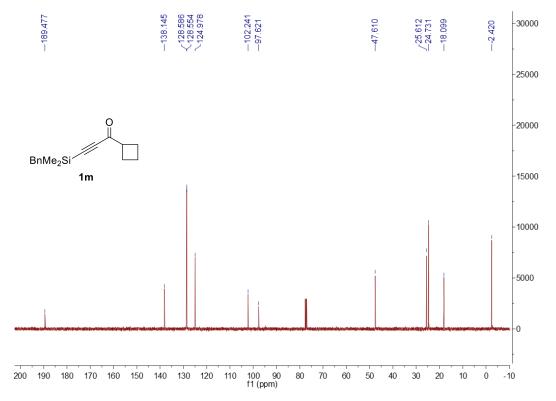
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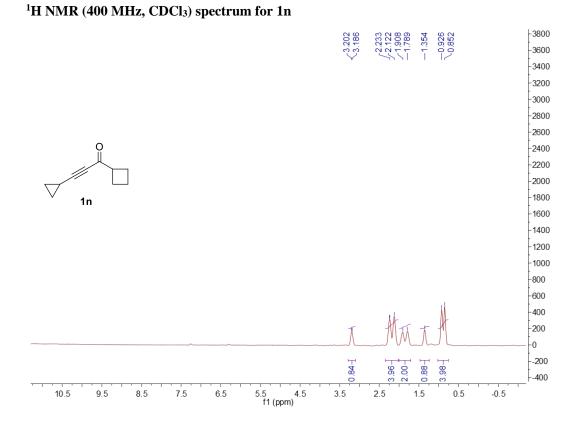




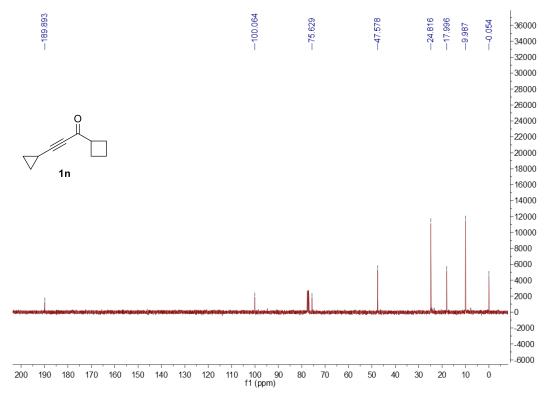


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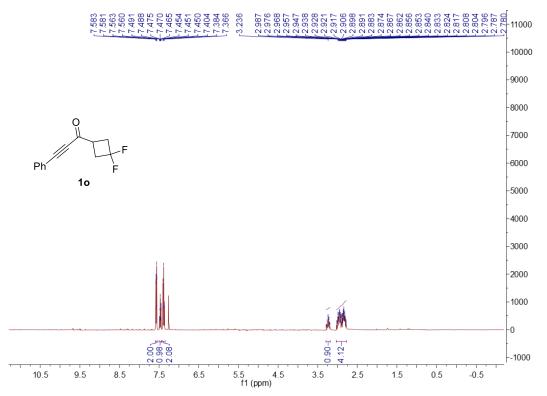




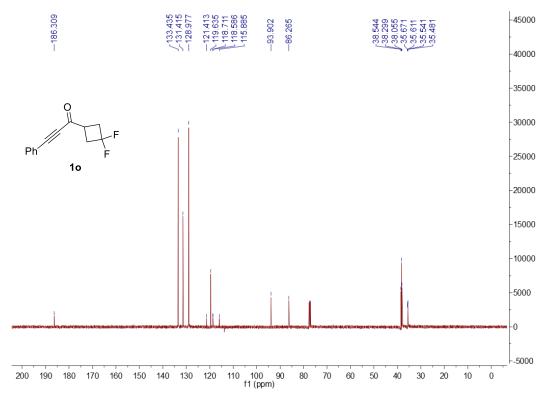
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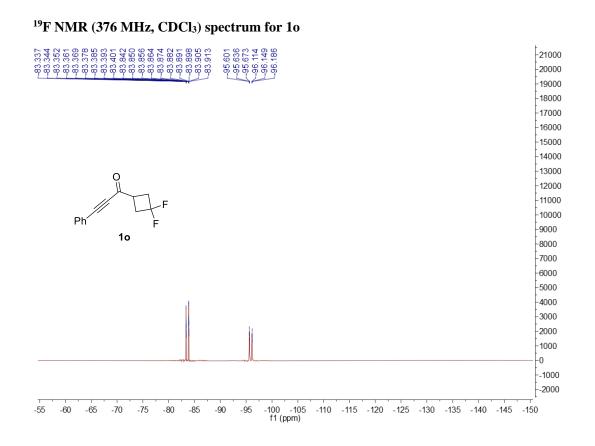


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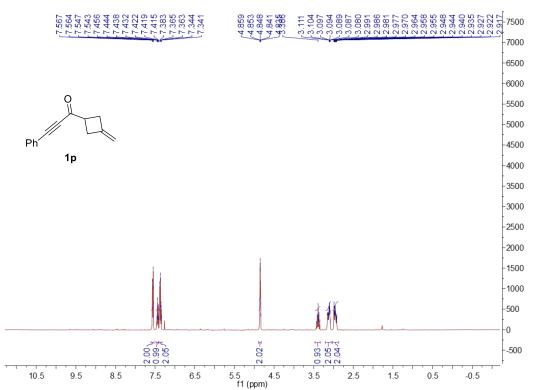


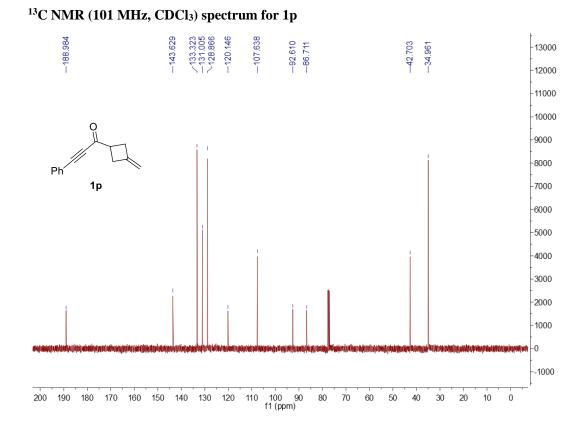
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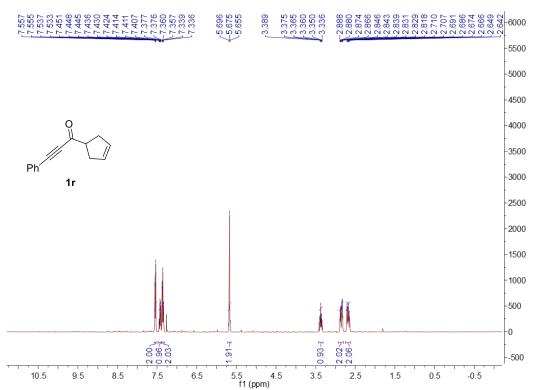


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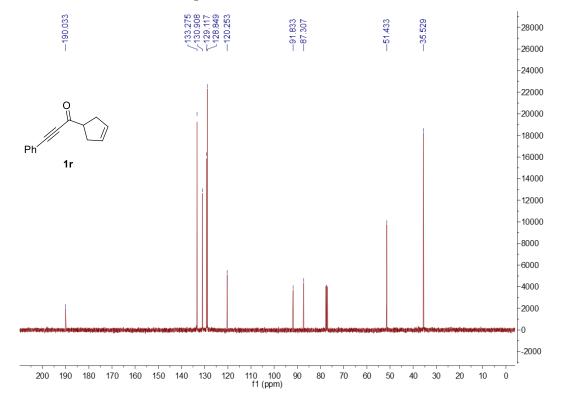




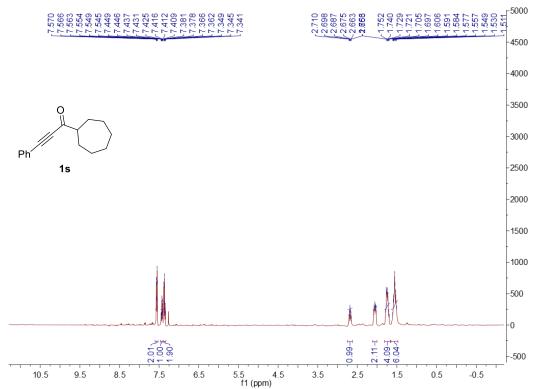
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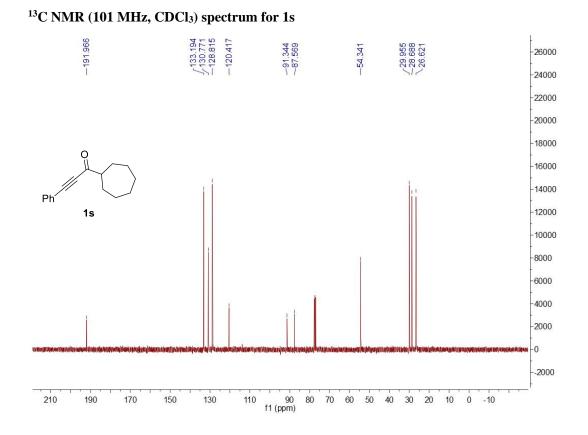


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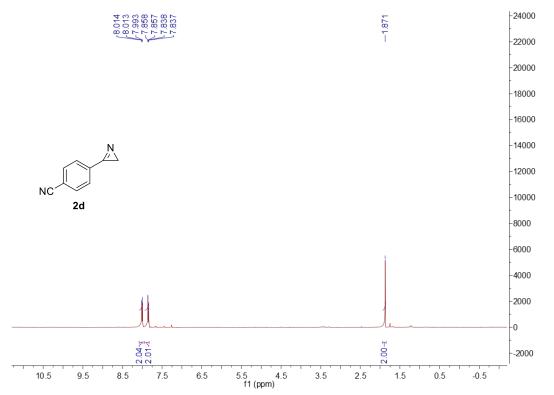


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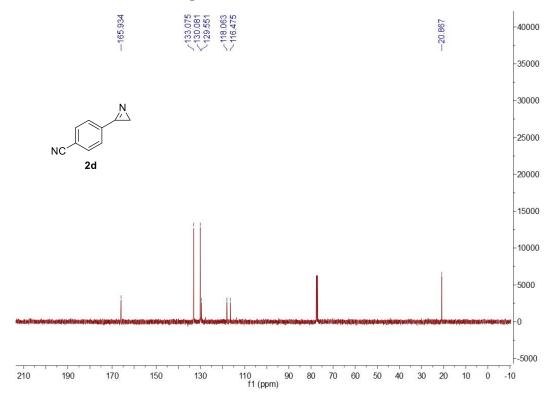




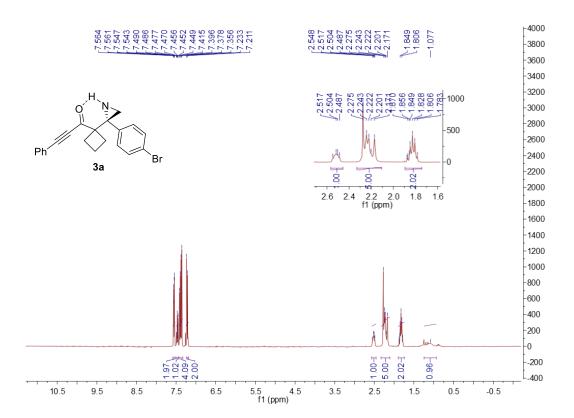
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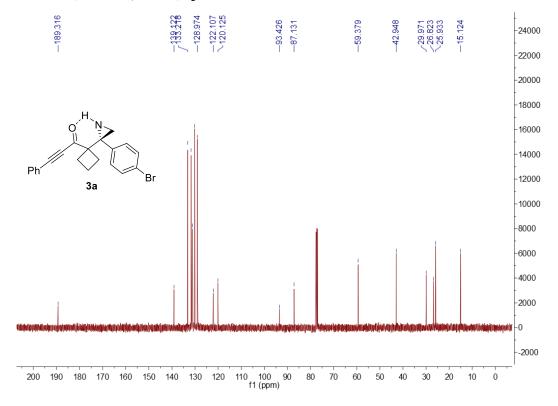
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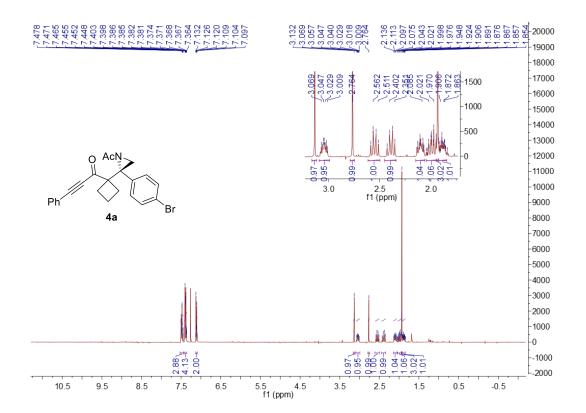
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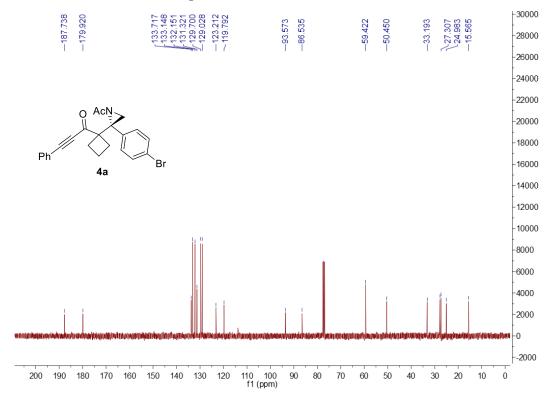




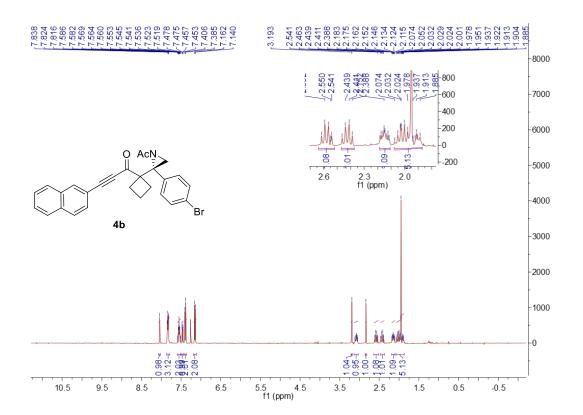
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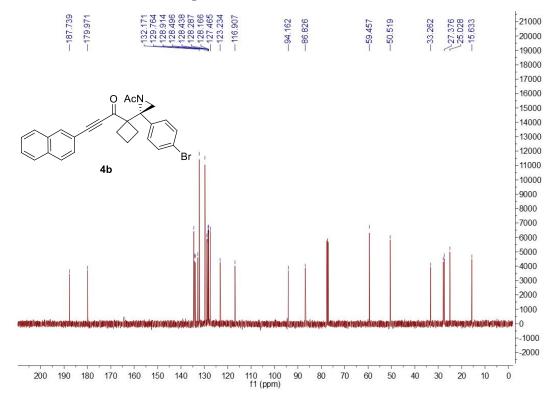


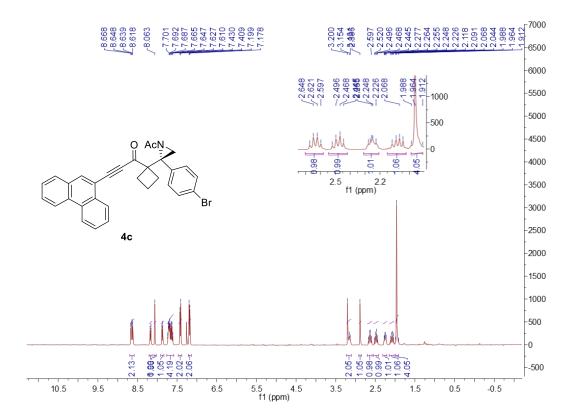


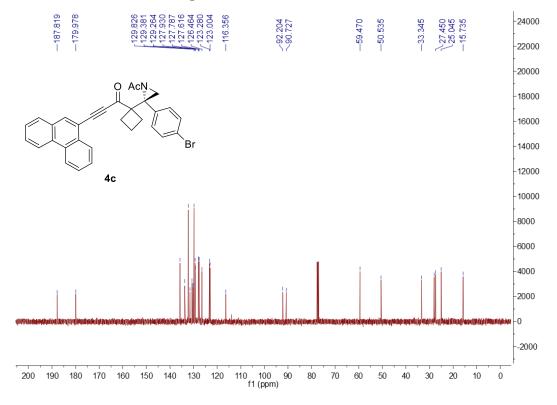


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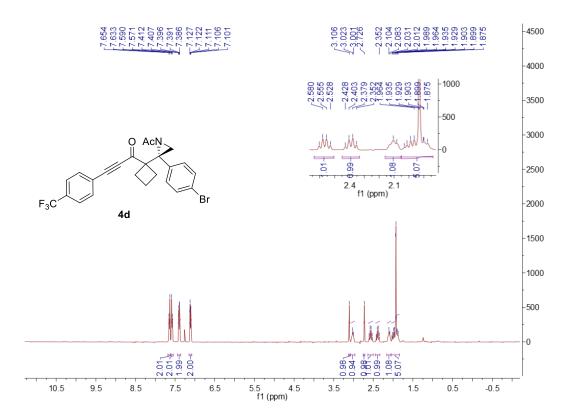


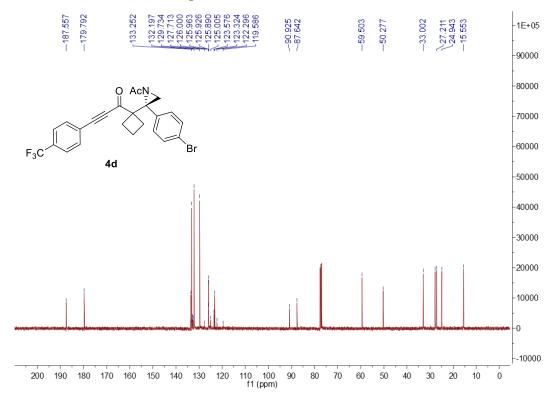




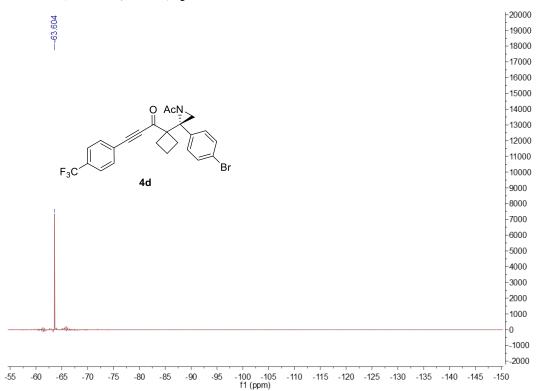


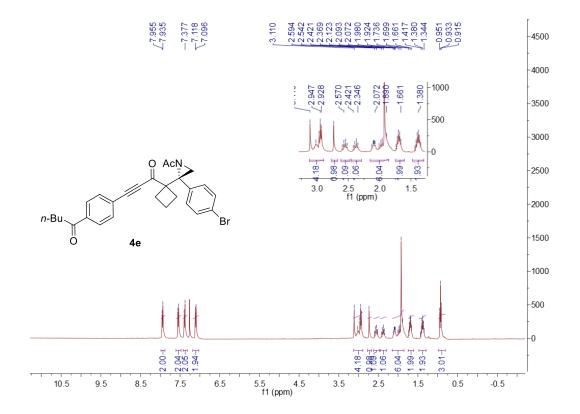
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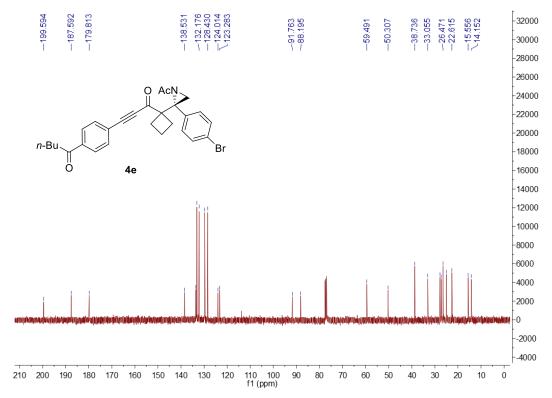


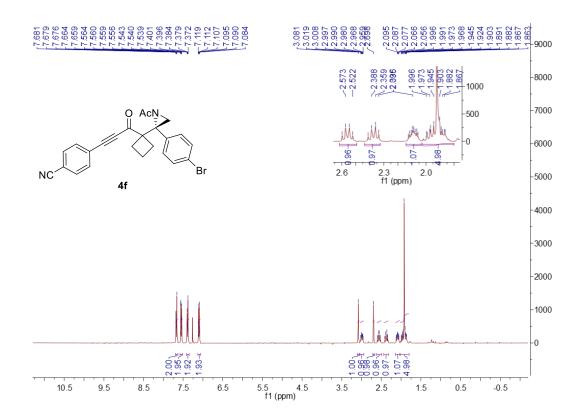


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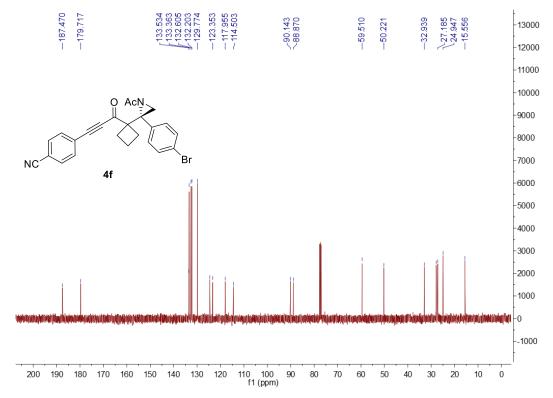




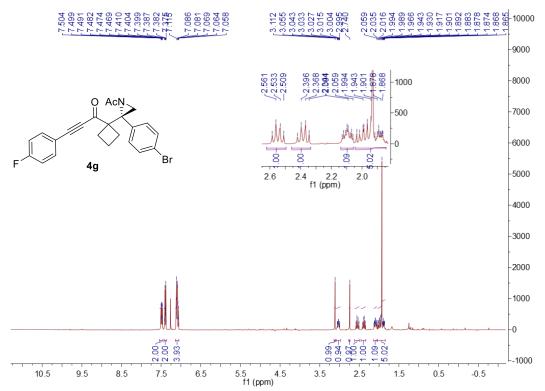


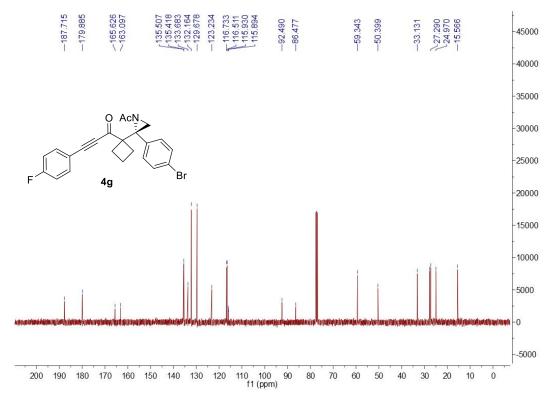


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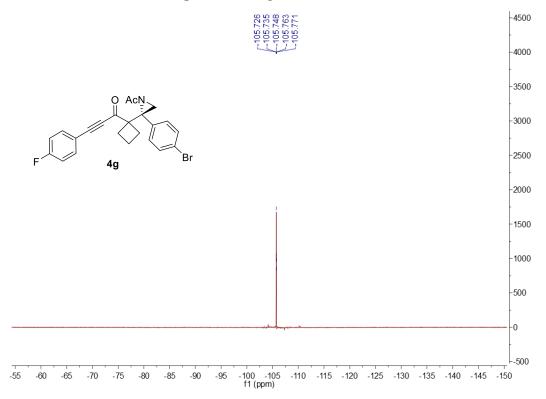




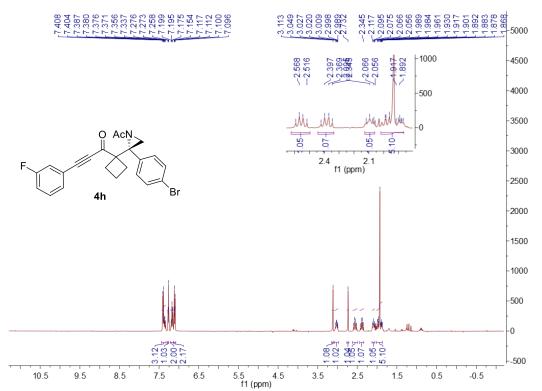




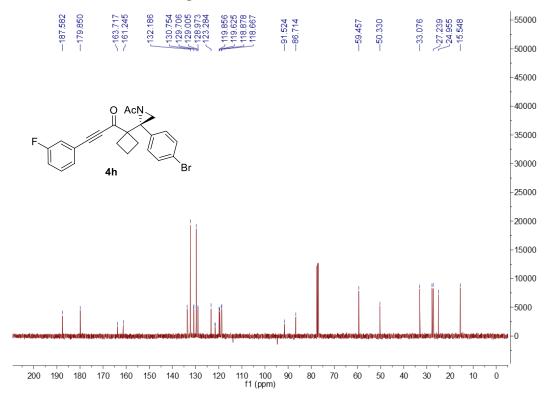
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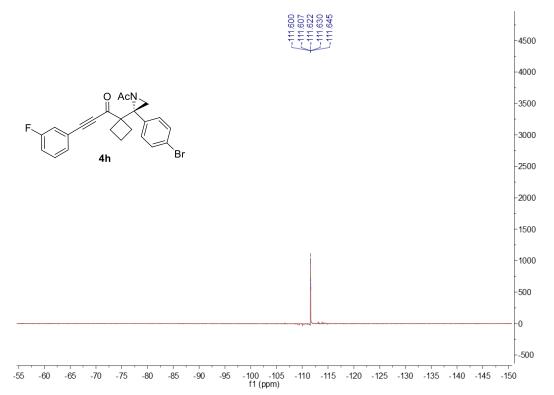
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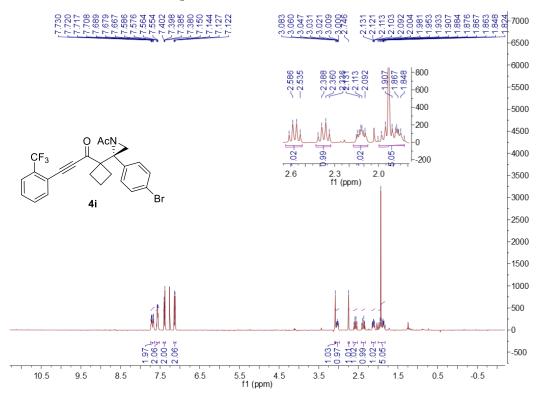


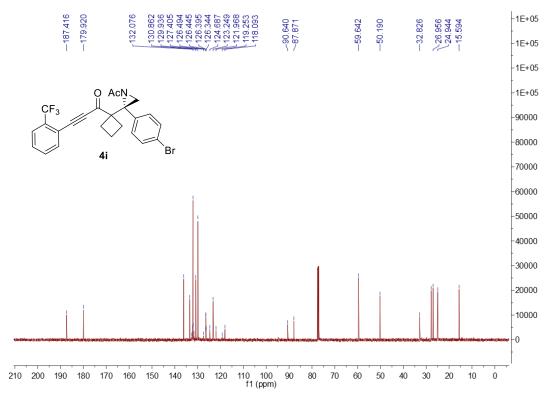




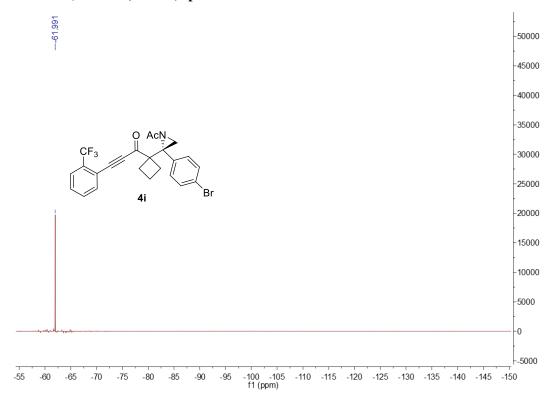
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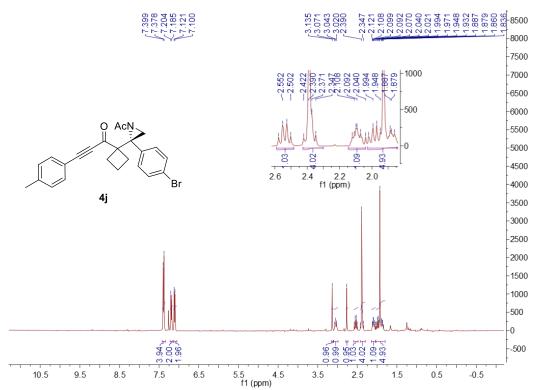


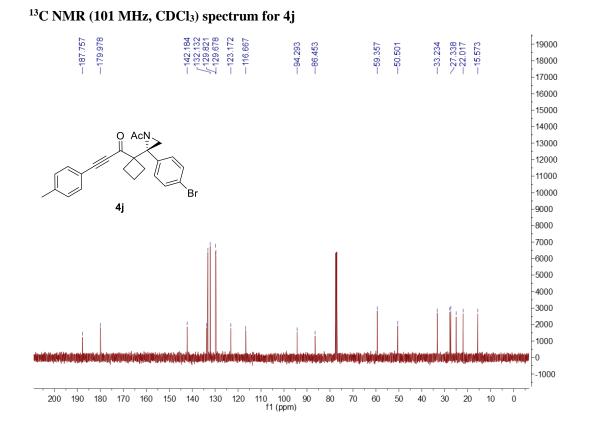


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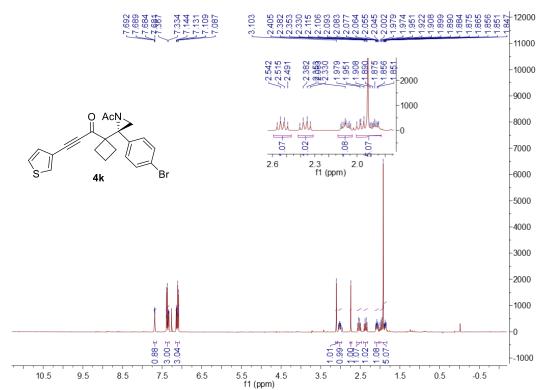


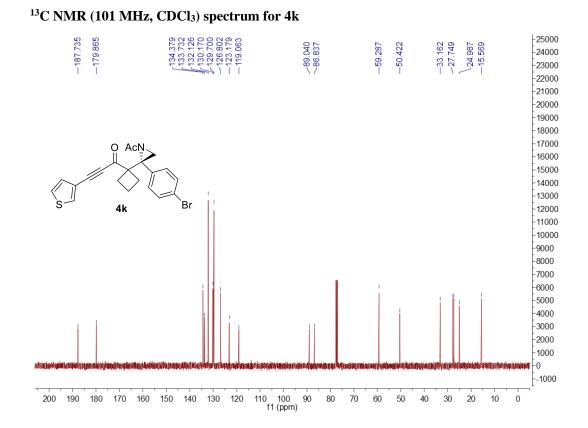
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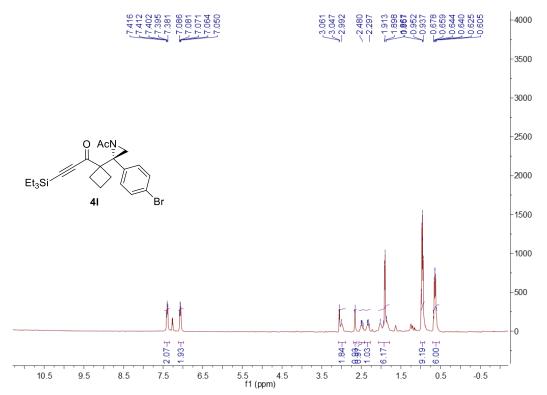


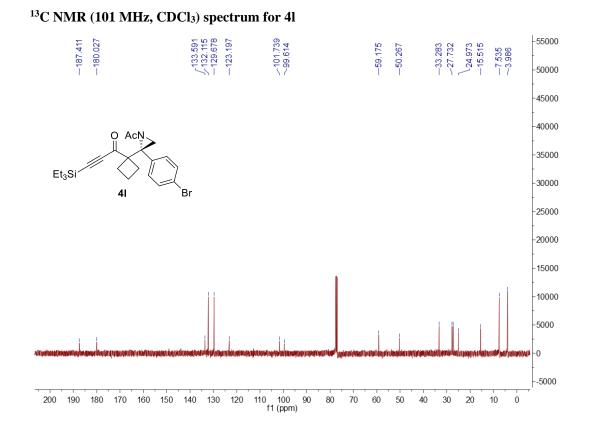
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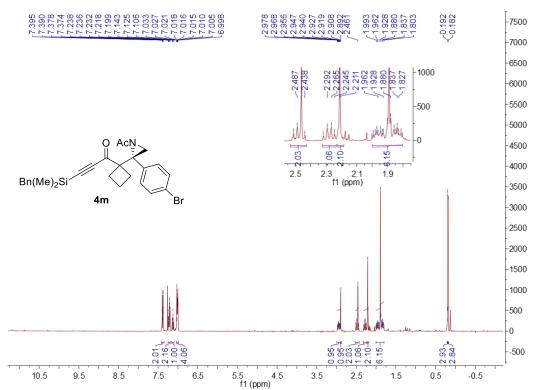


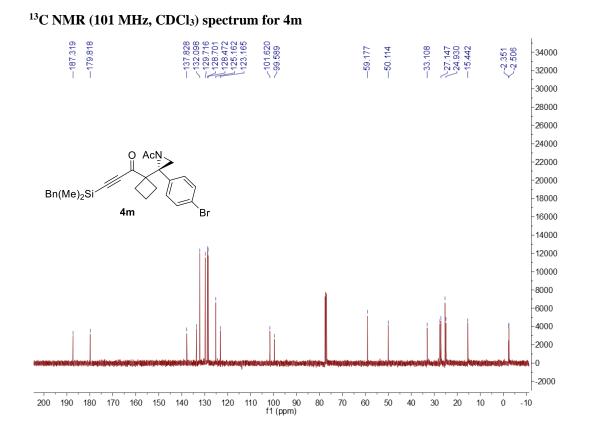
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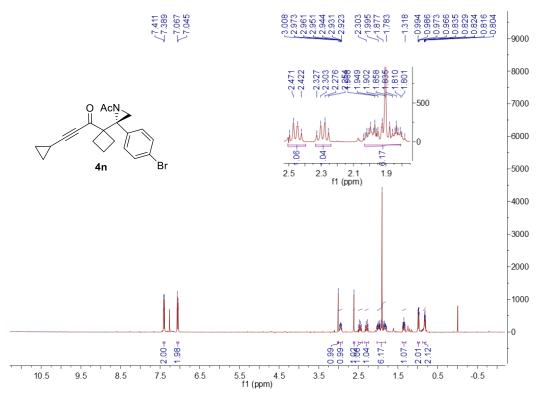


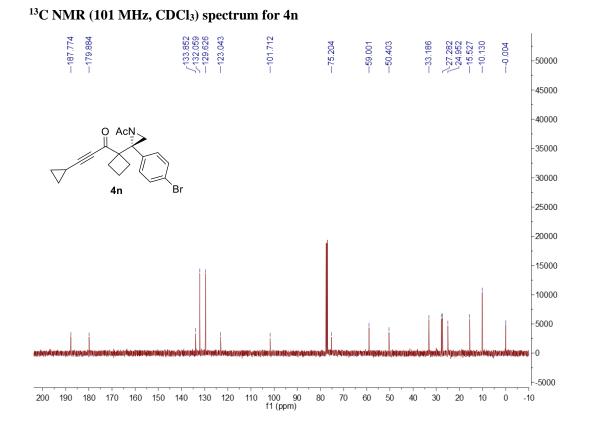


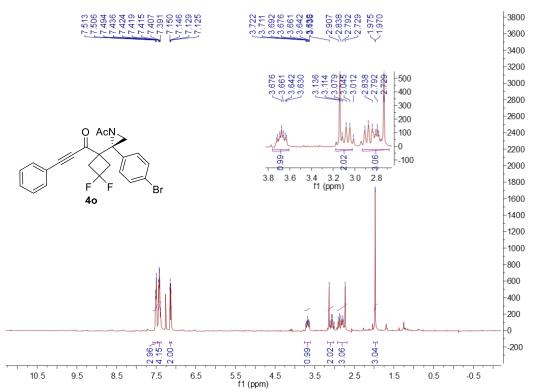
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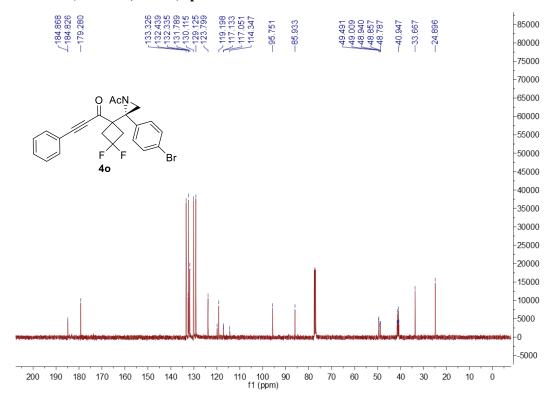


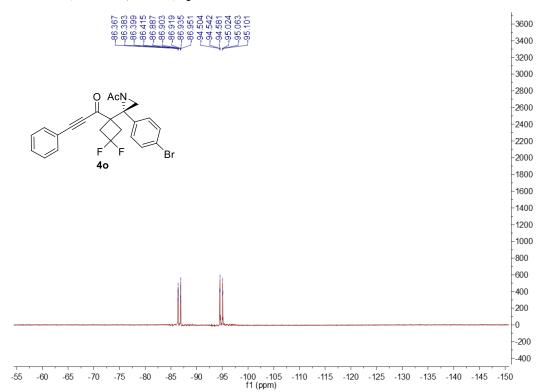


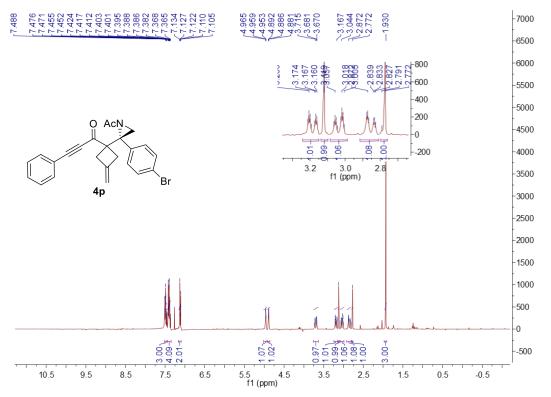


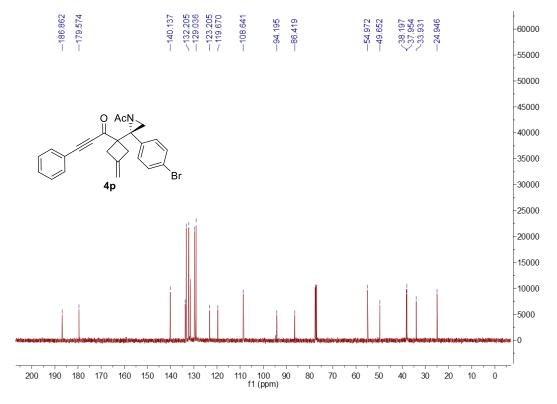


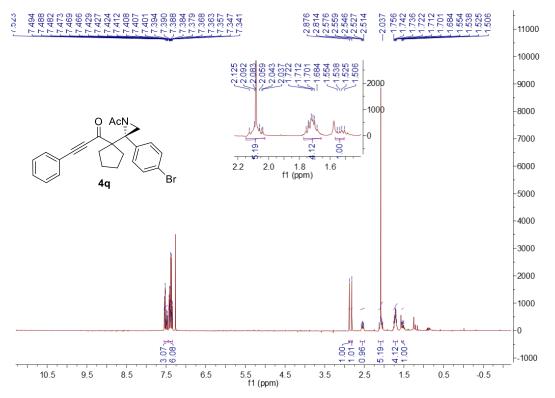


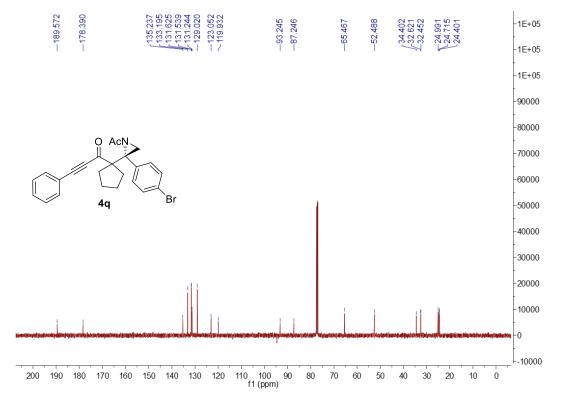


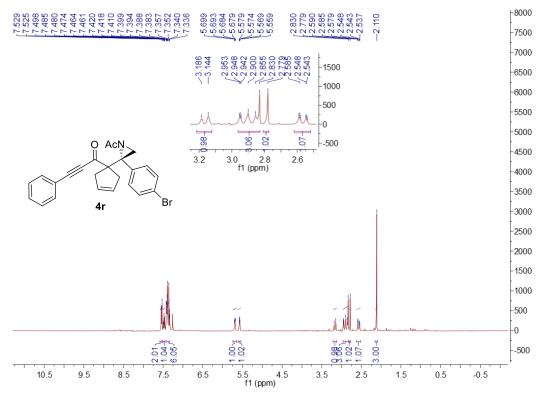


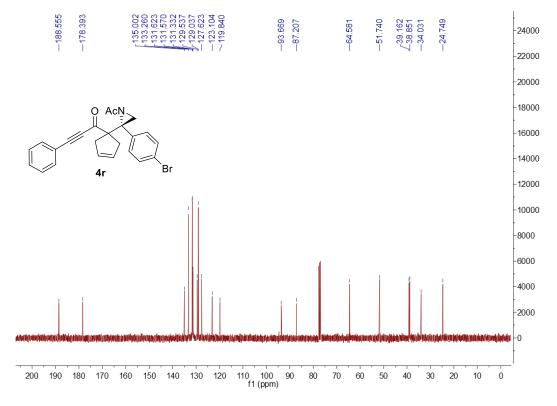


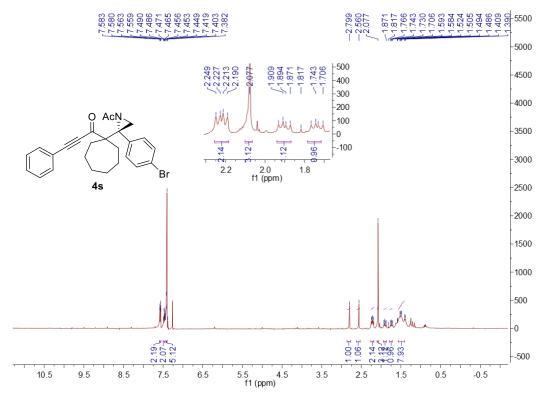


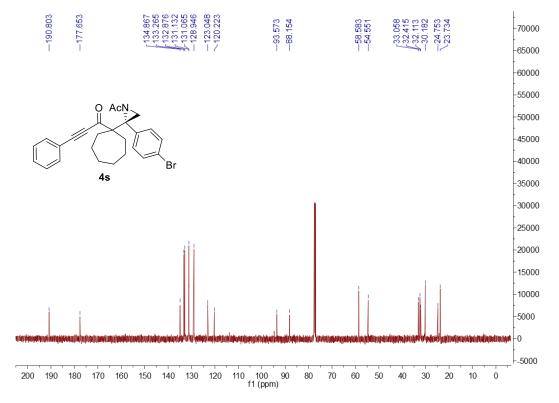


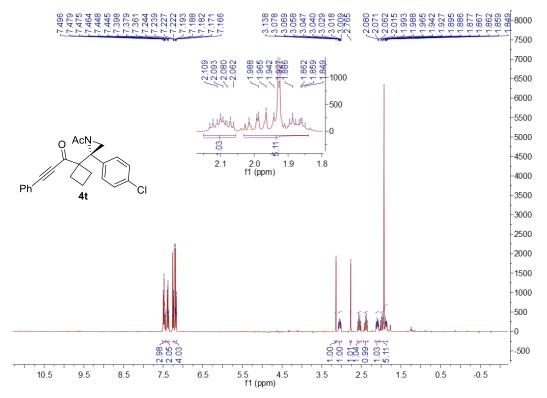


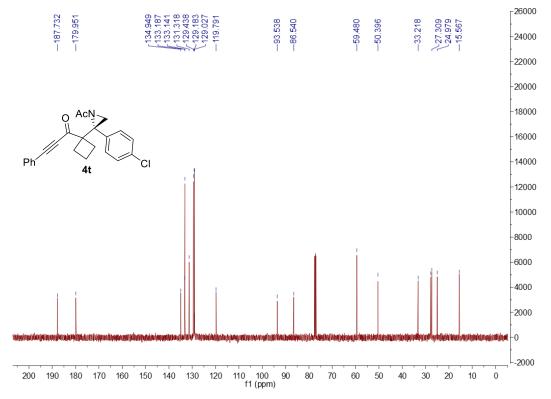


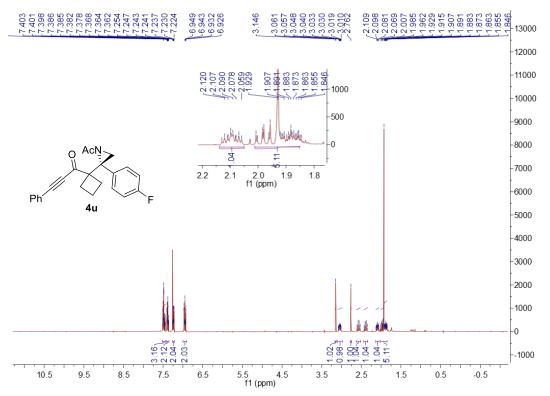


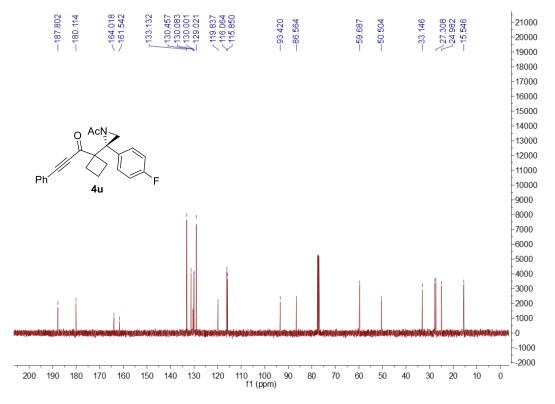




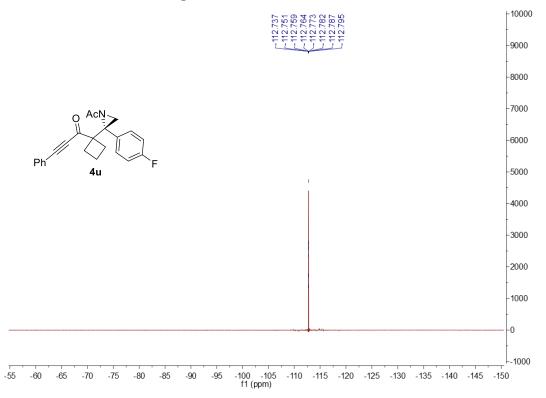


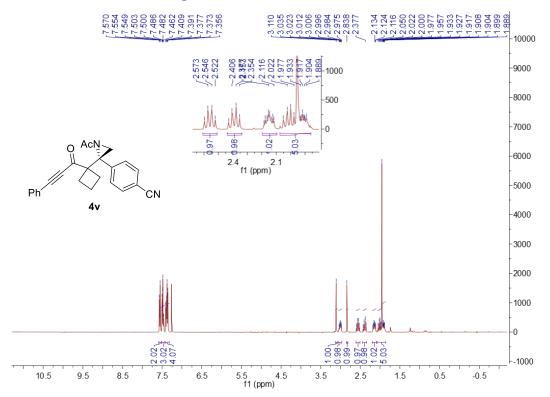


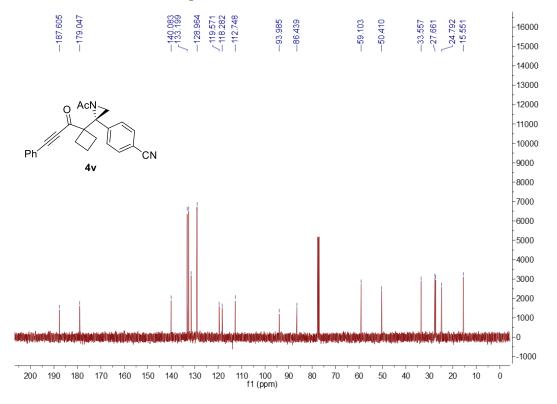


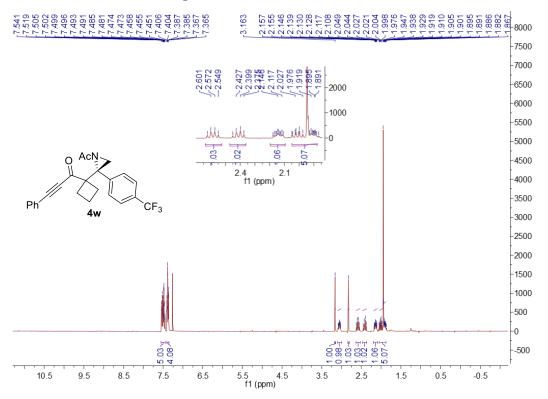


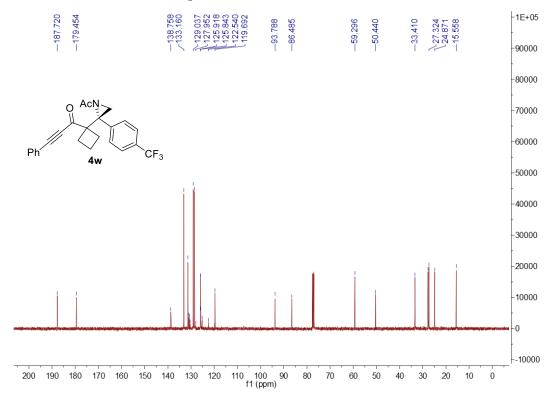
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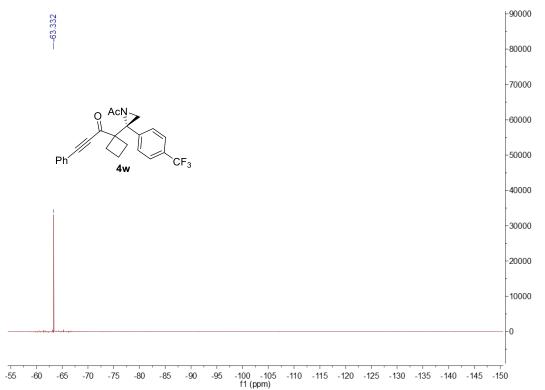


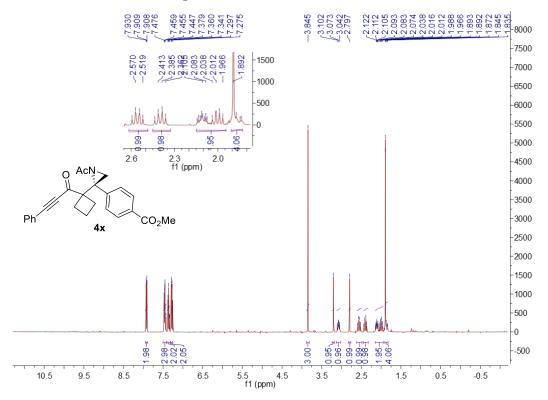


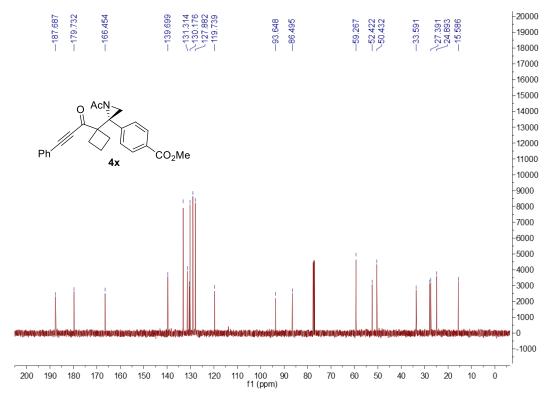


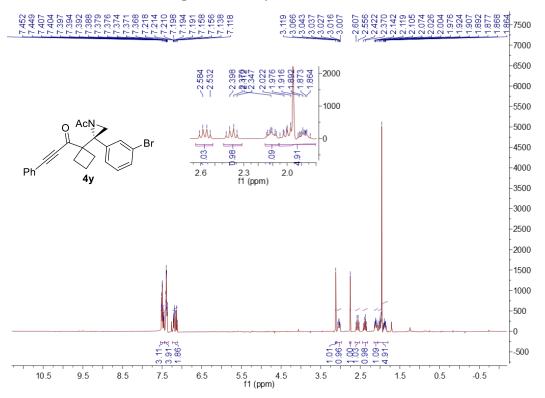


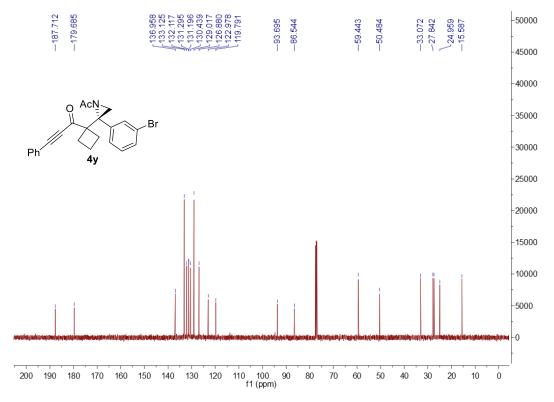
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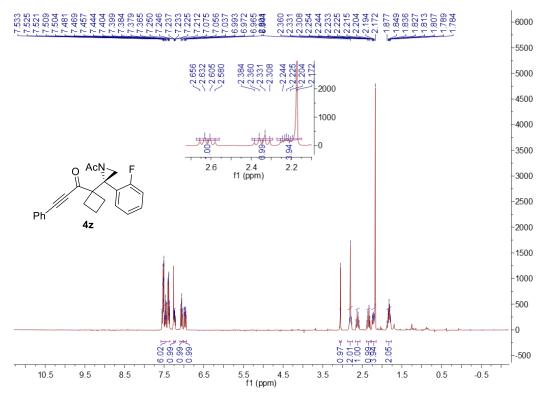


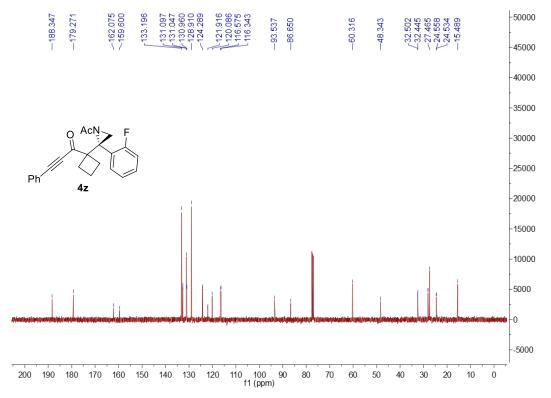


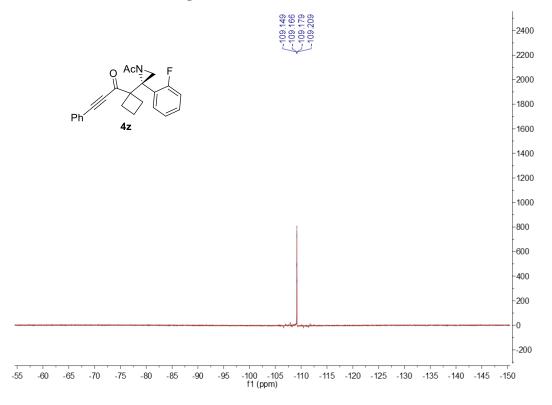


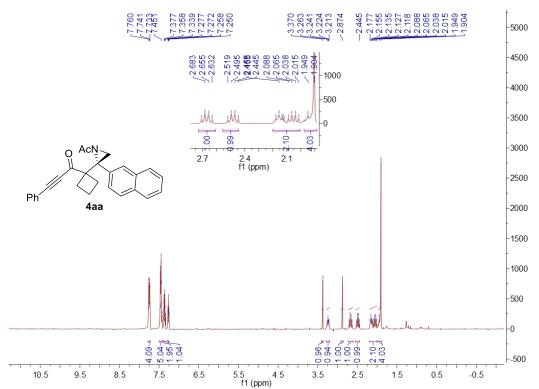


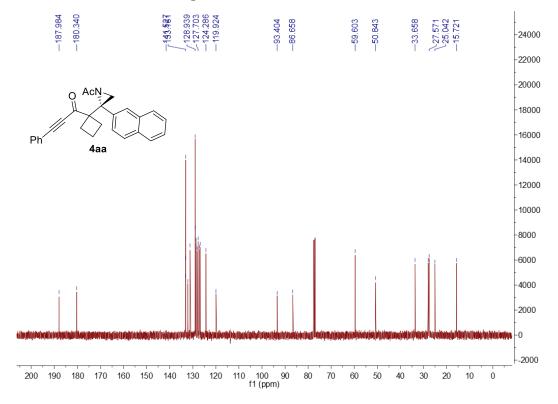


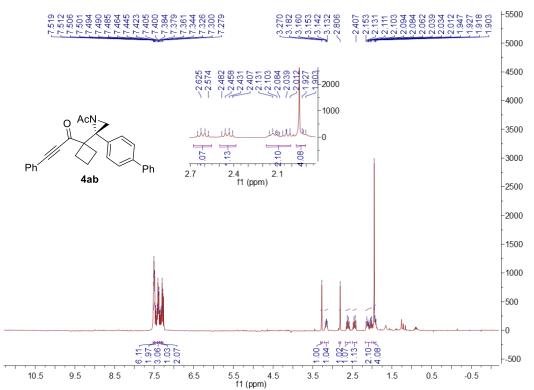


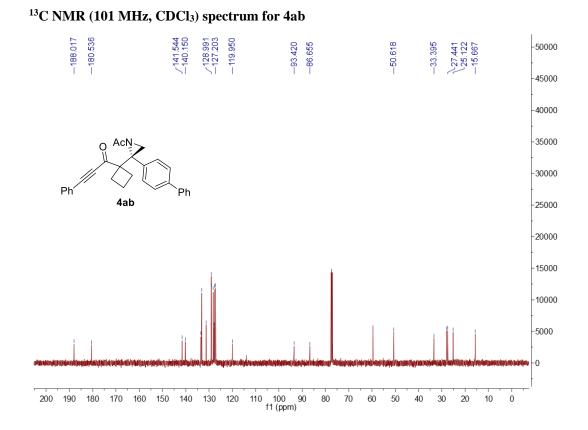




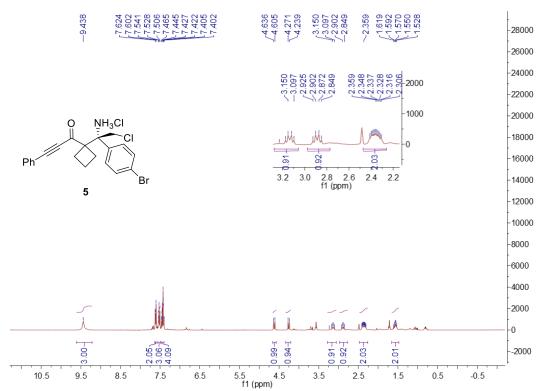


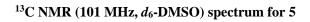


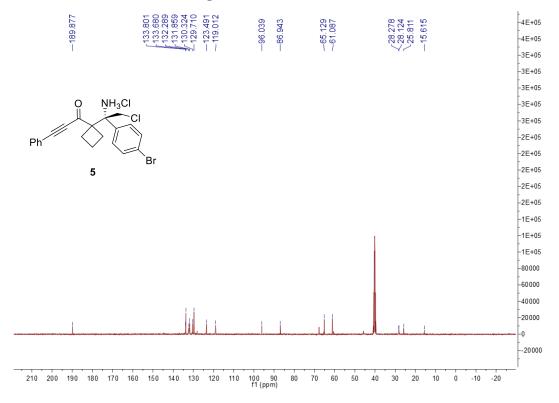


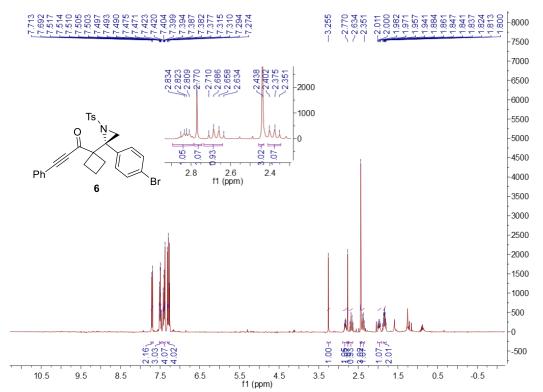


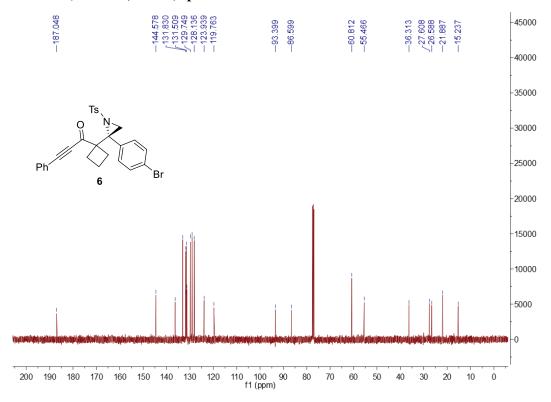
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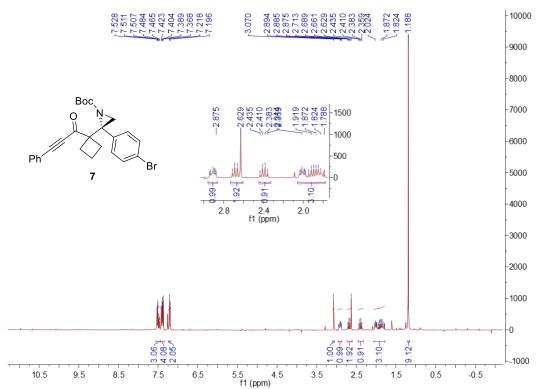


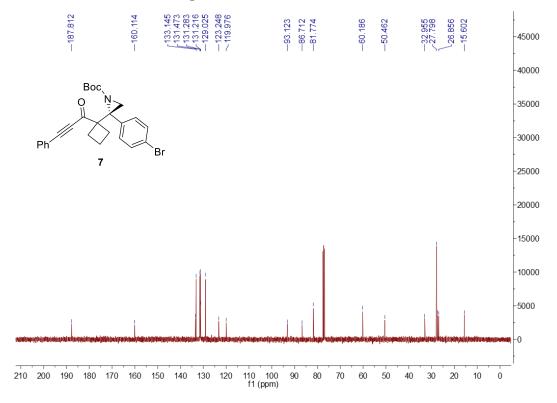


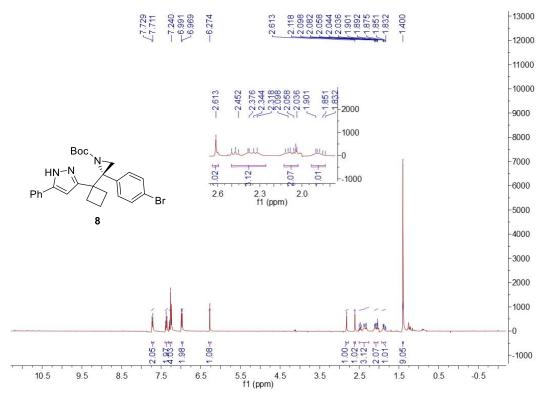


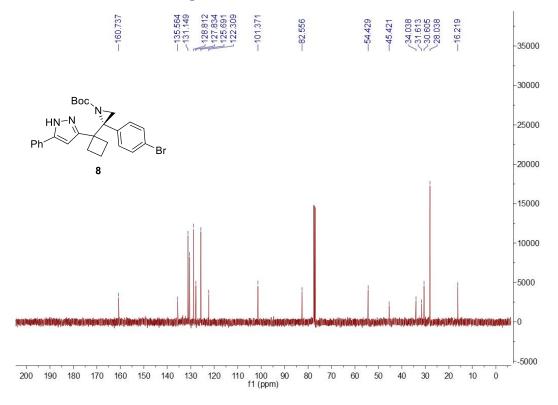


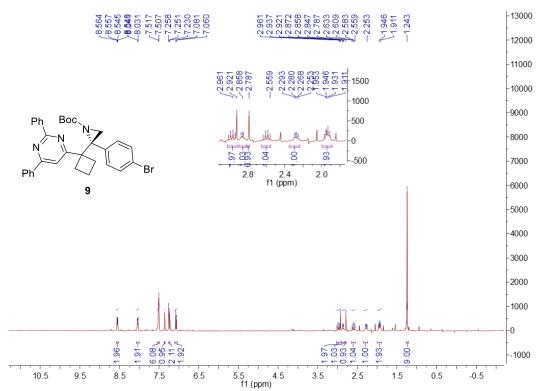


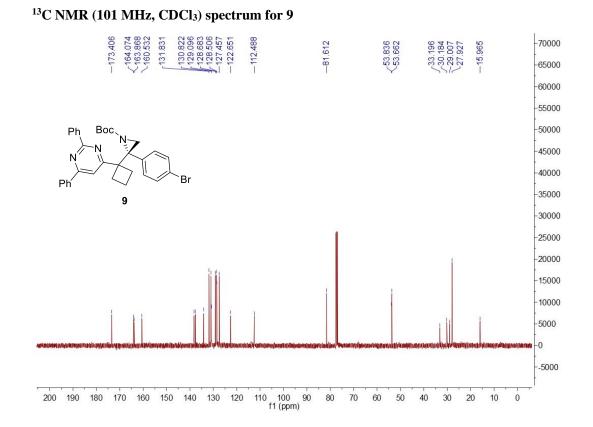


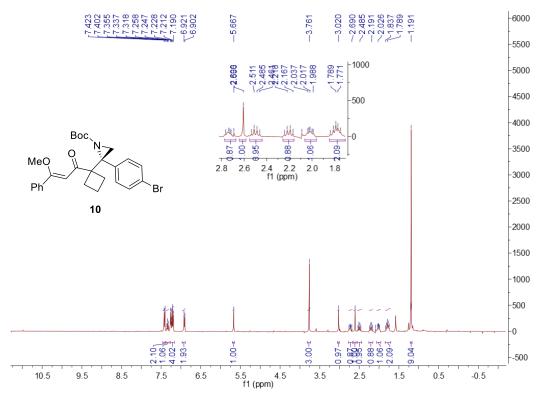


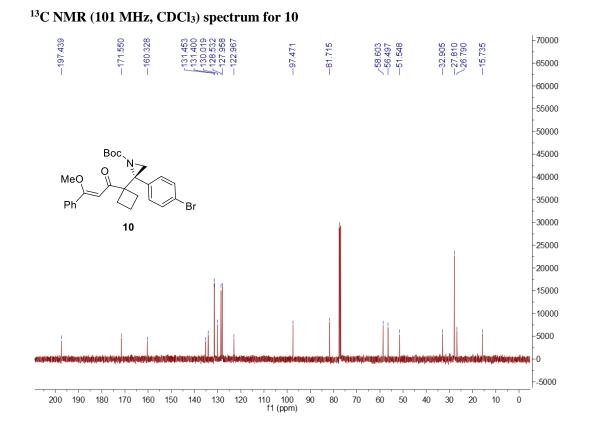












¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum for 11

