

Supporting Information

Alkynyl Borrowing: Silver Catalyzed Amination of Secondary Propargylic Alcohols via C(sp³)-C(sp) Bond Cleavage

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1. Optimization of reaction conditions

Table S1. Screening of different metals.

$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}(\text{OH})-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{Ph} + \text{TsNH}_2 \xrightarrow[\text{toluene, 100 } ^\circ\text{C, 12 h}]{\text{Cat. (20 mol\%)}} \text{Ph}-\text{CH}(\text{NHTs})-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{Ph}$

1a **2a**

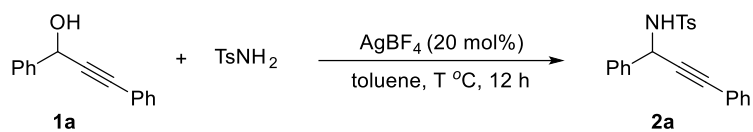
Entry ¹	Cat.	Yield (%)
1	Pd(acac) ₂	Trace
2	[Rh(OH)(COD)] ₂	Trace
3	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	33
4	AgBF₄	76

Table S2. Screening of different silver.

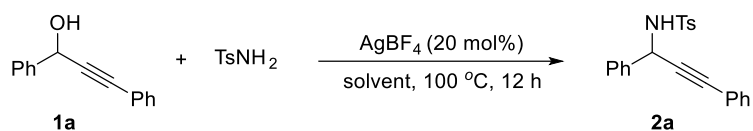
$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}(\text{OH})-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{Ph} + \text{TsNH}_2 \xrightarrow[\text{toluene, 100 } ^\circ\text{C, 12 h}]{[\text{Ag}] (20 \text{ mol\%})} \text{Ph}-\text{CH}(\text{NHTs})-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{Ph}$

1a **2a**

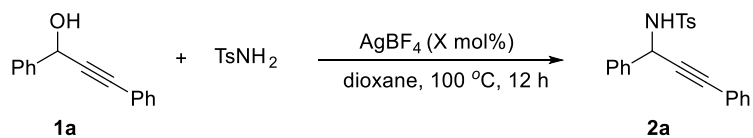
Entry	[Ag]	Yield (%)
1	AgSbF ₆	ND
2	AgOTf	ND
3	AgOAc	NR
4	Ag ₂ CO ₃	NR
5	AgCO ₂ CF ₃	27
6	AgPF ₆	65
7	AgBF₄	76

Table S3. Screening of the temperature.

Entry	T (°C)	Yield (%)
1	100	76
2	70	60
3	50	49

Table S4. Screening of the solvent.

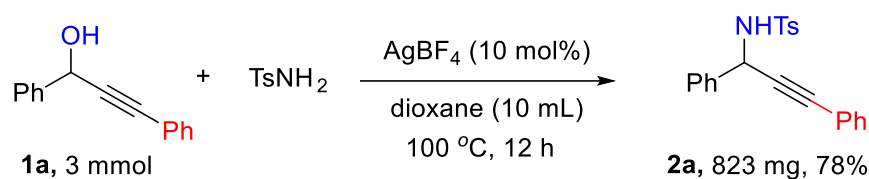
Entry	Solvent	Yield (%)
1	HFIP	ND
2	DMF	trace
3	<i>p</i> -xylene	trace
4	<i>o</i> -xylene	78
5	MeCN	19
6	THF	50
7	dioxane	86

Table S5. Screening of different amounts of catalyst.

Entry	X(mol%)	Yield (%)
1	10	82
2	5	75
3	2	70

2. Mechanistic Studies

a. Gram-scale reaction



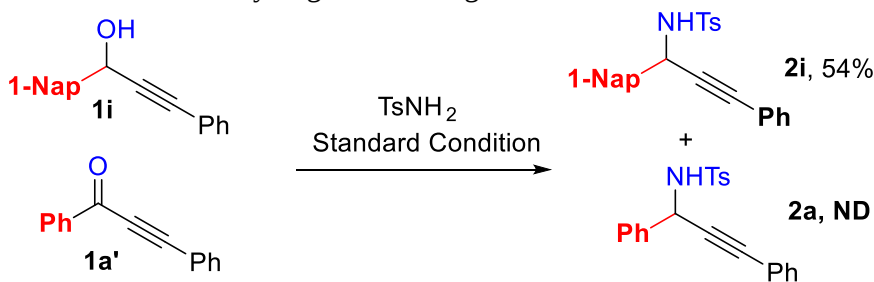
To a vial equipped with a dried stir bar was added **1a** (3 mmol), TsNH_2 (3.6 mmol), AgBF_4 (10 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (10 mL) in the glovebox. The reaction mixture was taken outside the glovebox and allowed to stir at 100°C for 12 hours. The crude reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and directly purified by silica gel chromatography to give **2a** with the yield of 78%.

b. Rule out the mechanism of hydron borrowing



To a vial equipped with a dried stir bar was added **1a'** (0.1 mmol), TsNH_2 (0.12 mmol), AgBF_4 (10 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (0.5 mL) in the glovebox. The reaction mixture was taken outside the glovebox and allowed to stir at 100°C for 12 hours. The desired product **2a'** was not detected.

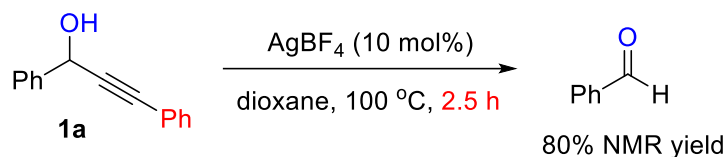
c. Rule out the mechanism of hydrogen borrowing



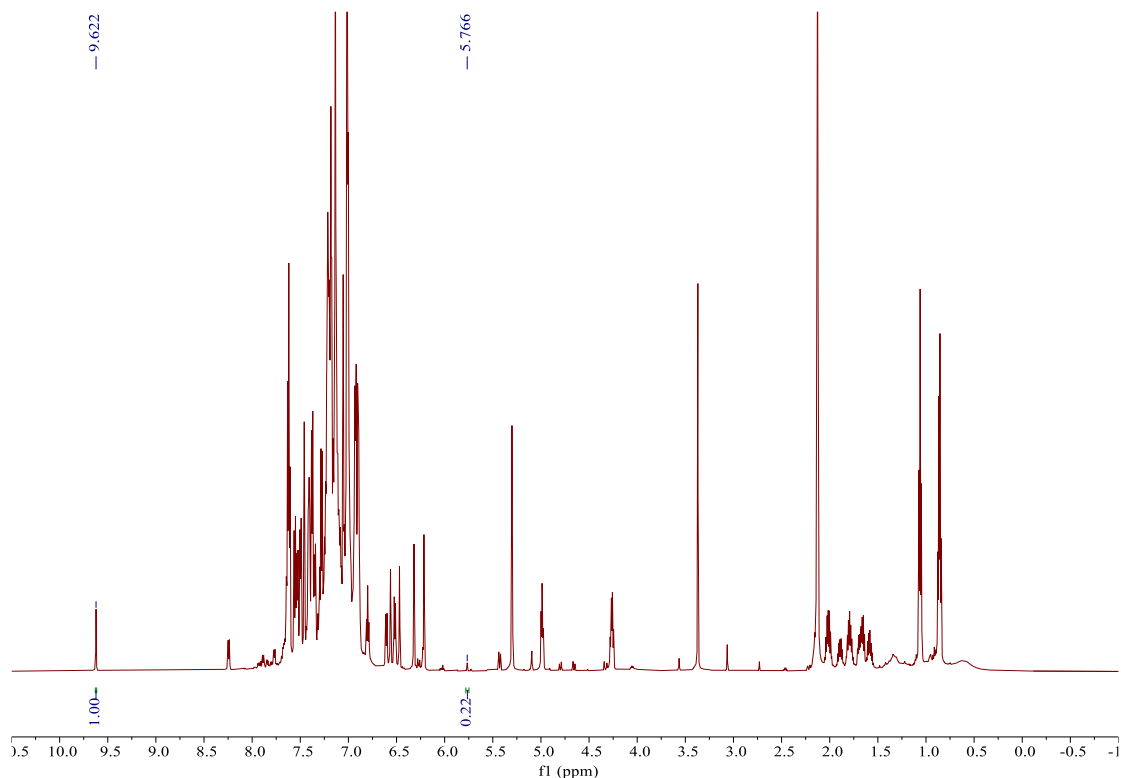
To a vial equipped with a dried stir bar was added **1i** (0.1 mmol) and **1a'** (0.1 mmol), TsNH_2 (0.12 mmol), AgBF_4 (10 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (0.5 mL) in the glovebox. The reaction mixture was taken outside the glovebox and allowed to stir at 100°C for 12 hours. **2i** and **2a** was used to contrast with the reaction mixture by TLC. The desired product **2a** was not detected and **2i** was isolated with the yield of 54%.

Reactions b. and c. could rule out the mechanism of hydrogen borrowing.

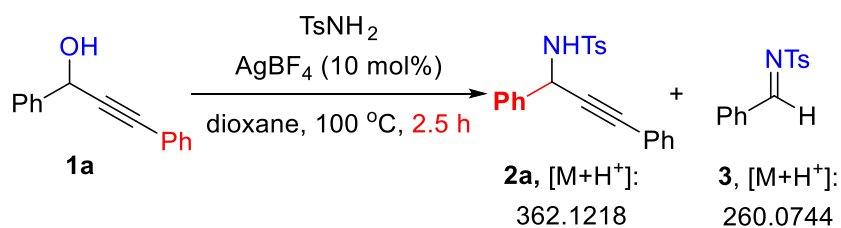
d. To verify the cleavage of $\text{Csp}^3\text{-Csp}$ bond



To a vial equipped with a dried stir bar was added **1a** (0.1 mmol), AgBF₄ (10 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (0.5 mL) in the glovebox. The reaction mixture was taken outside the glovebox and allowed to stir at 100 °C for 2.5 hours. The ratio of aldehyde and **1a** was 1.00:0.22, which proved the cleavage of Csp³-Csp bond could take place with silver.



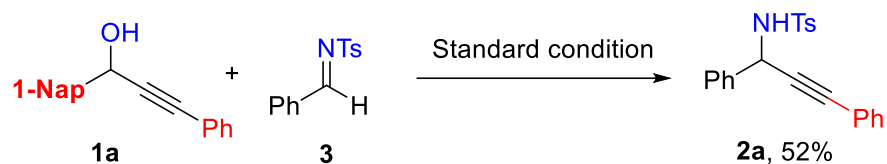
e. Monitor the existence of imine



To a vial equipped with a dried stir bar was added **1a** (0.1 mmol), AgBF₄ (10 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (0.5 mL) in the glovebox. The reaction mixture was taken outside the glovebox and allowed to stir at 100 °C for 2.5 hours. **2a** and **3** were detected by HRMS.

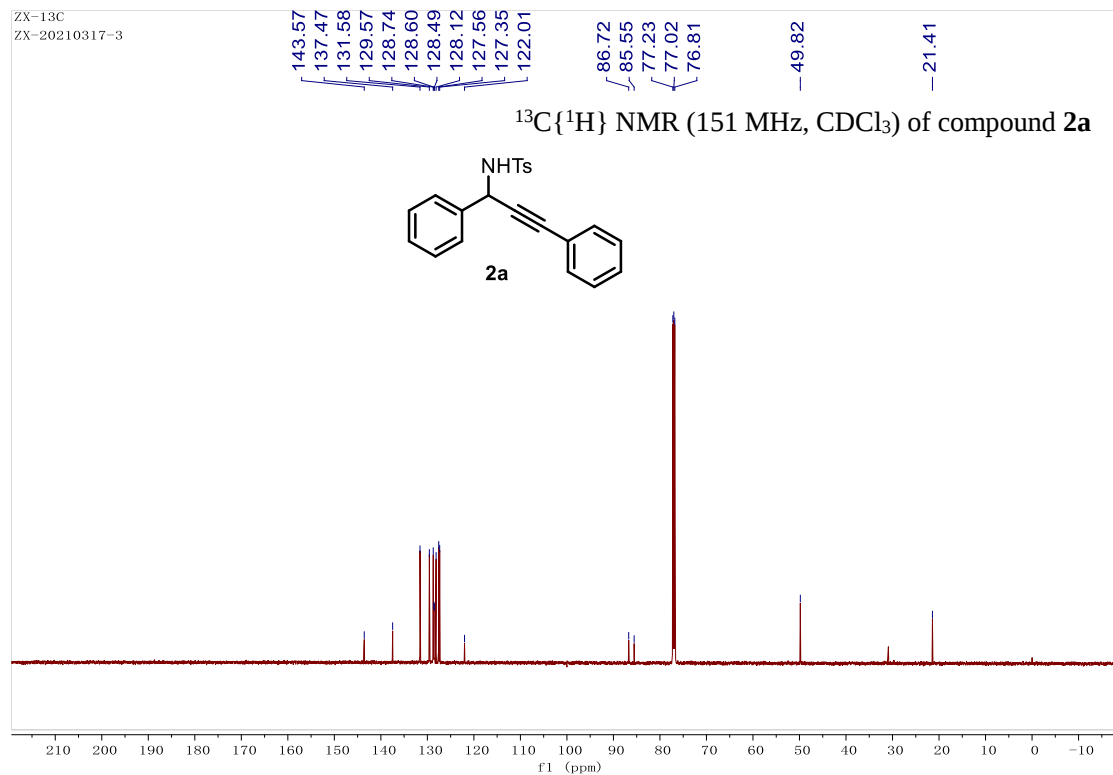
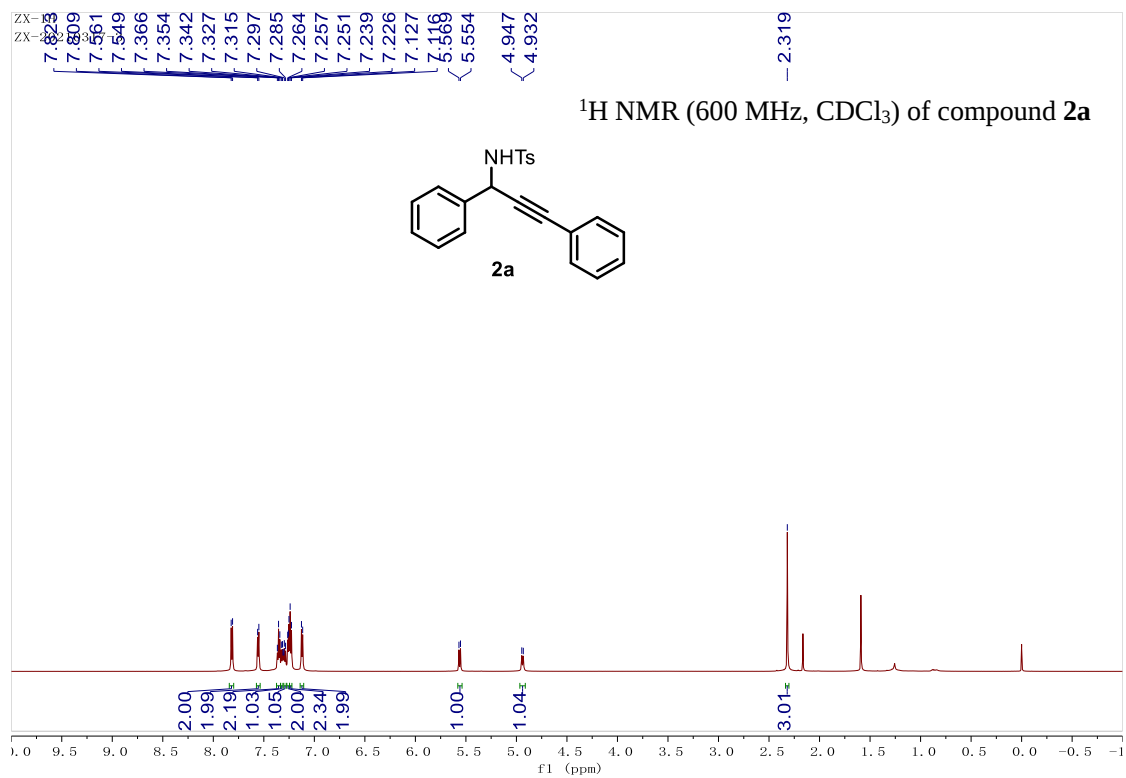
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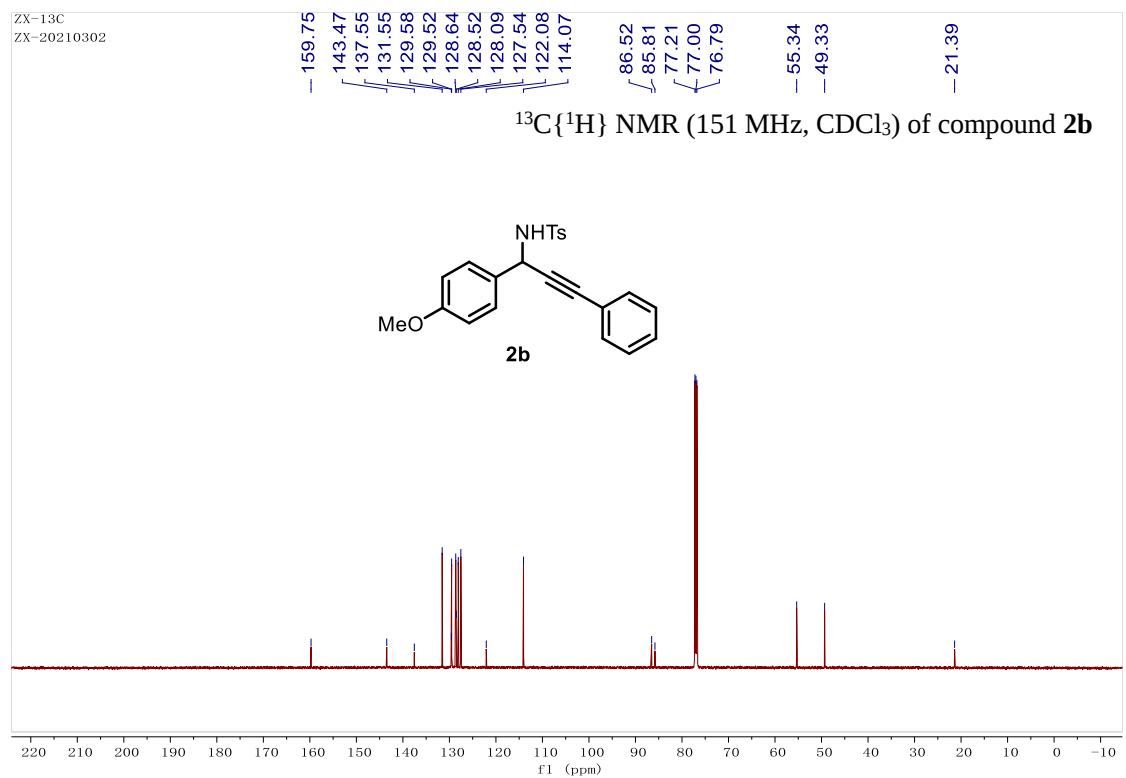
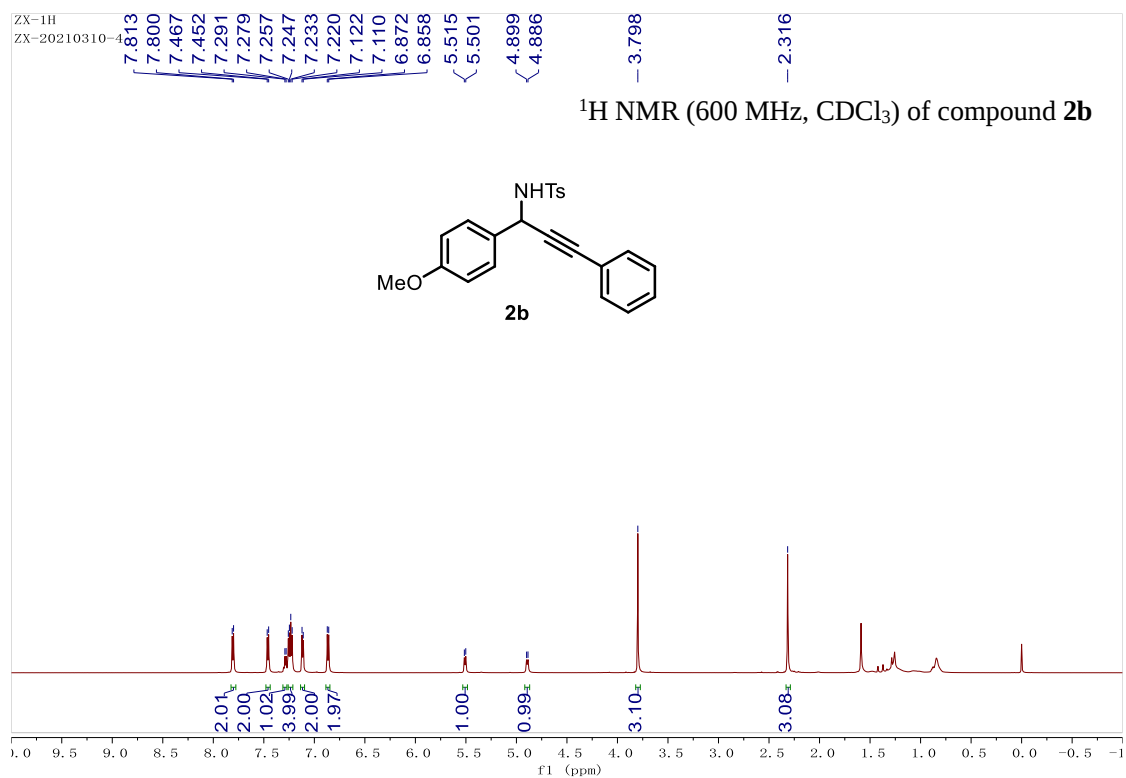
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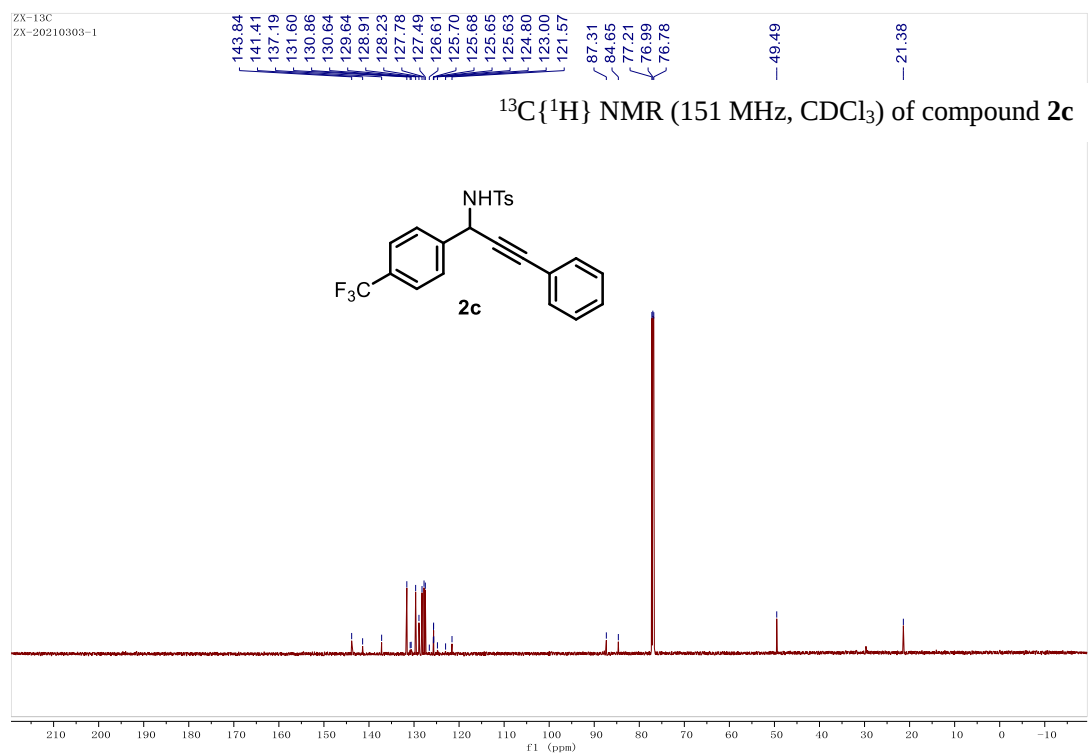
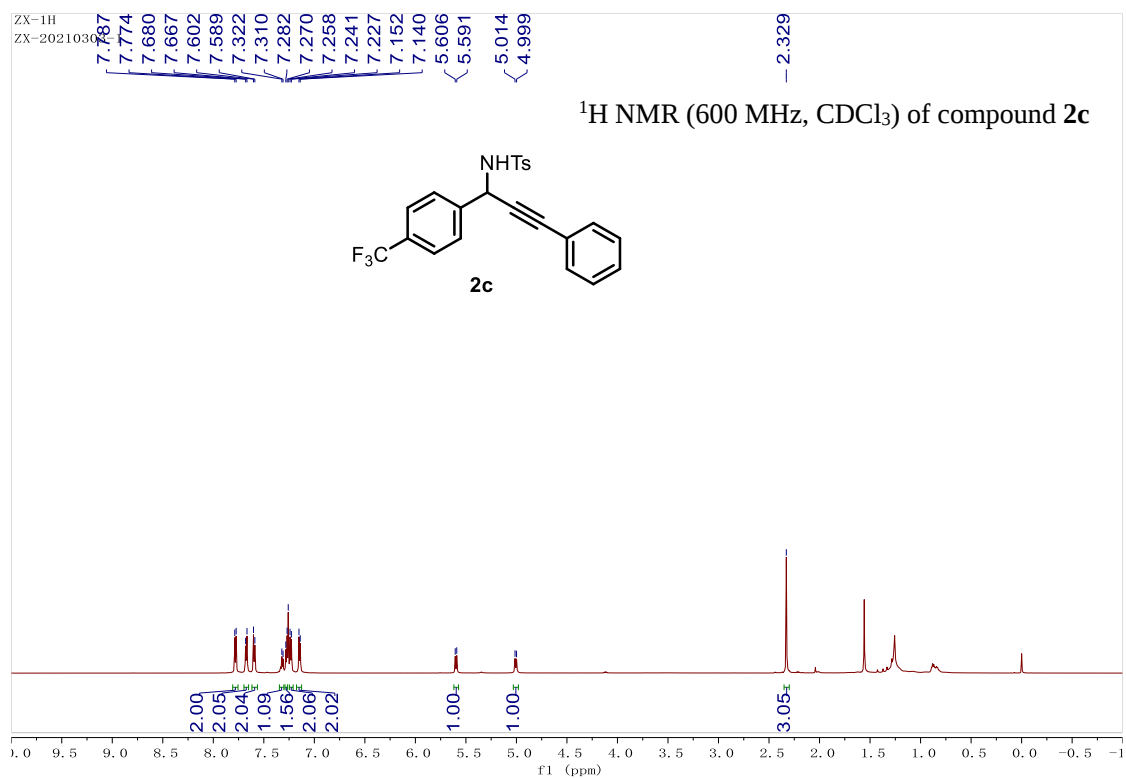


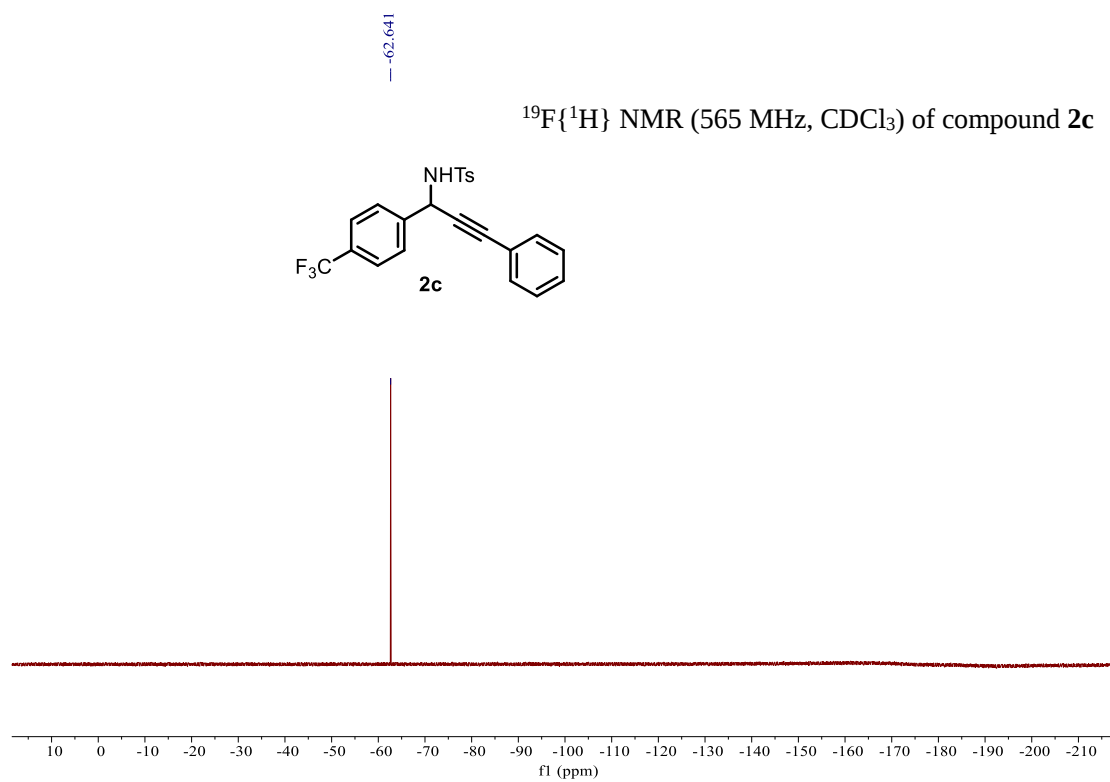
To a vial equipped with a dried stir bar was added **1a** (0.1 mmol), **3** (0.1 mmol), AgBF₄ (10 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (0.5 mL) in the glovebox. The reaction mixture was taken outside the glovebox and allowed to stir at 100 °C for 12 hours. The desired product was isolated with the yield of 52%, which proved the process that imine was added by the alkynyl-silver intermediate.

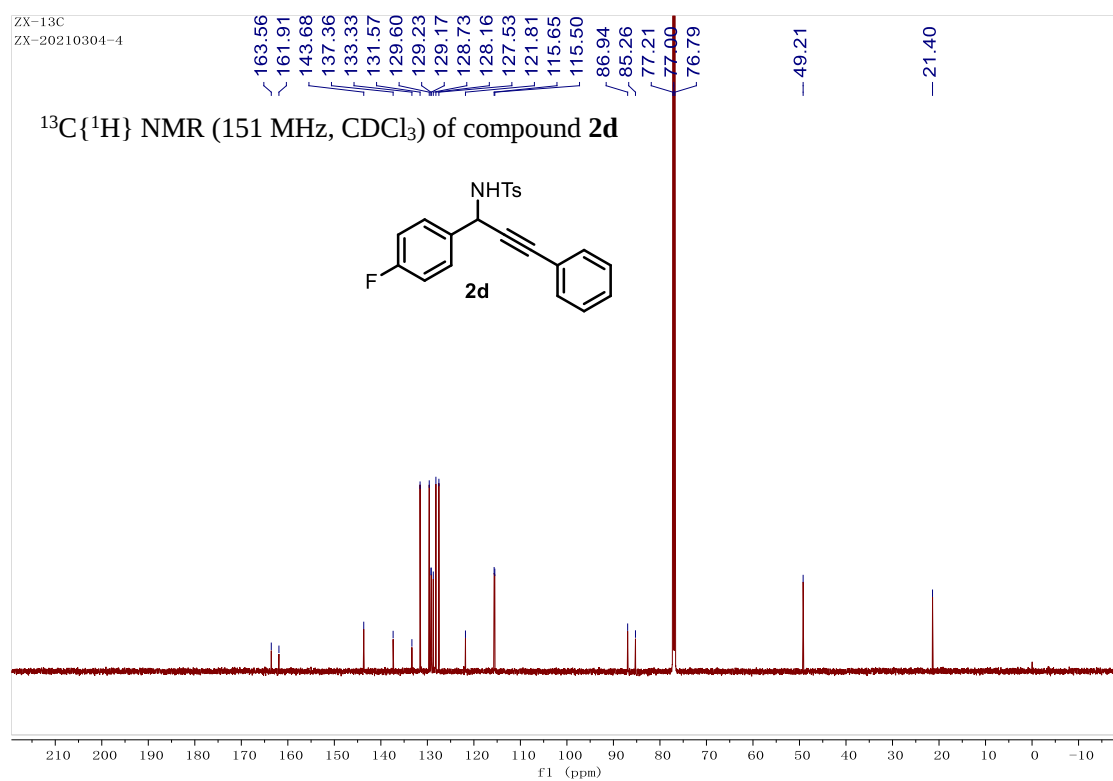
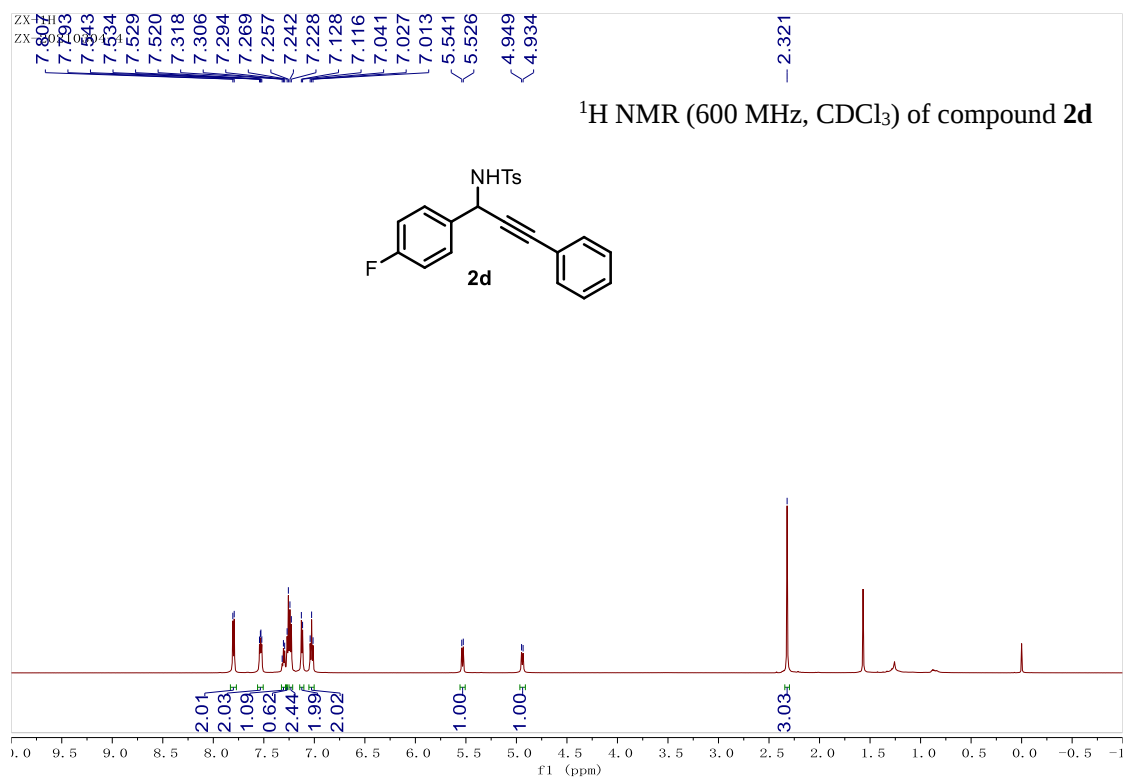
3. NMR Spectra of the Products

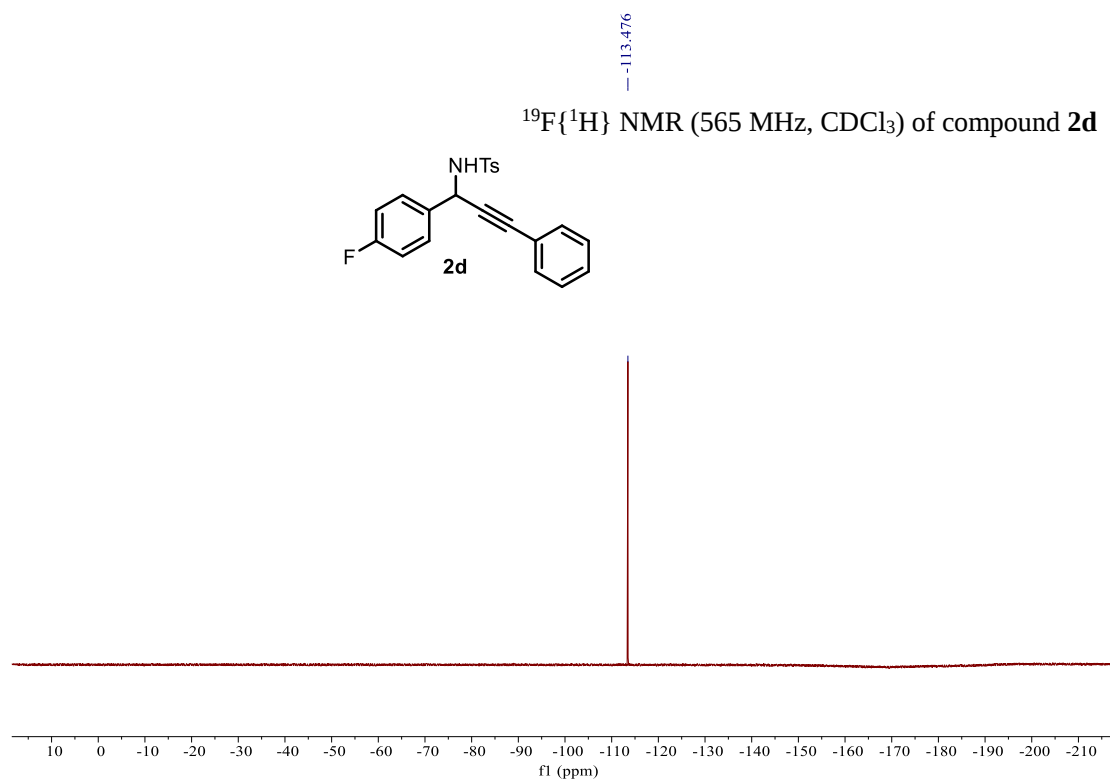


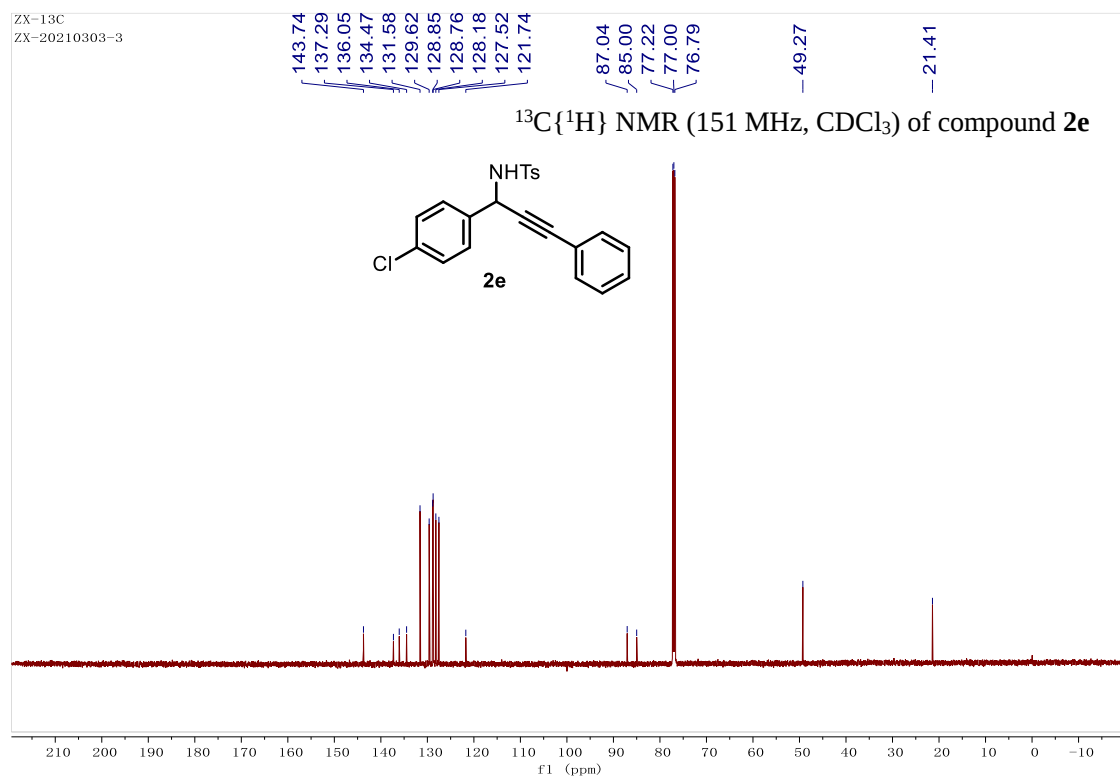
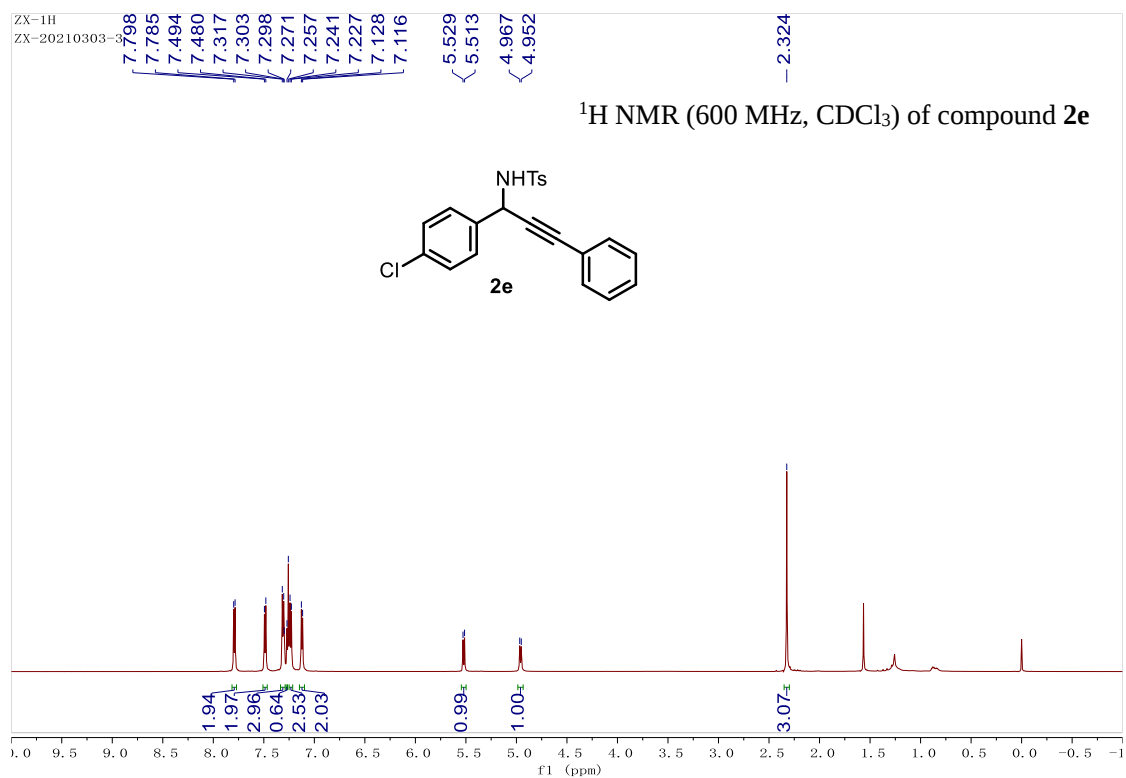


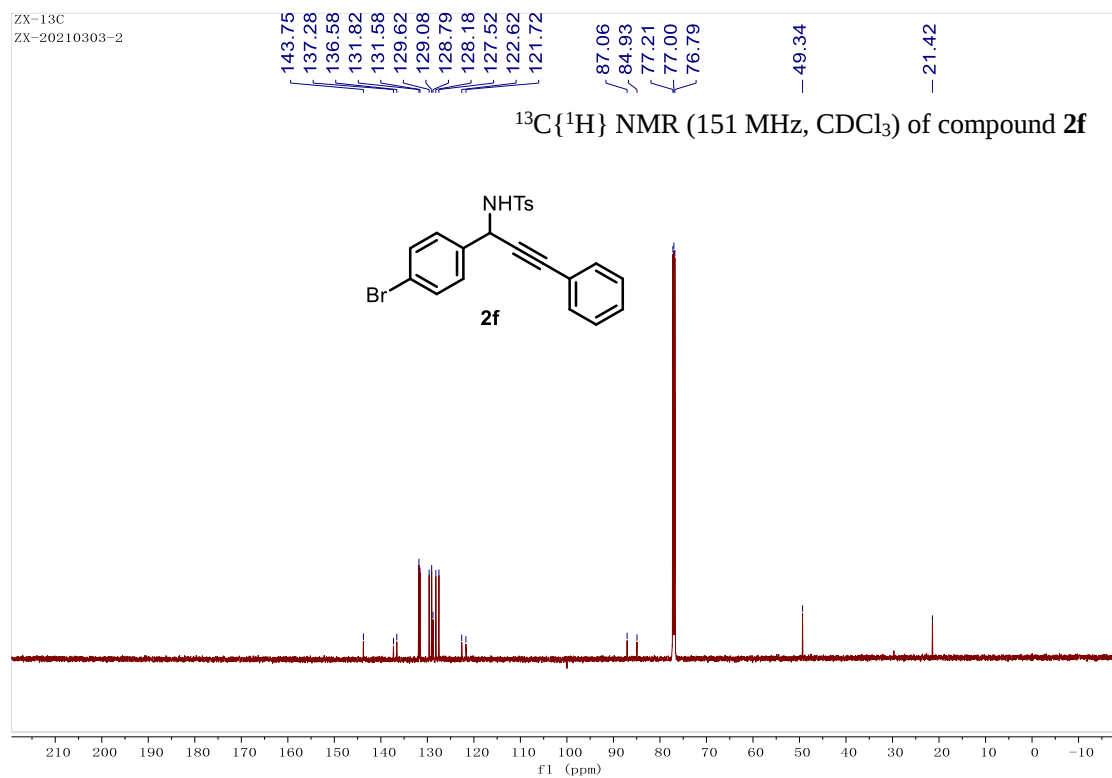
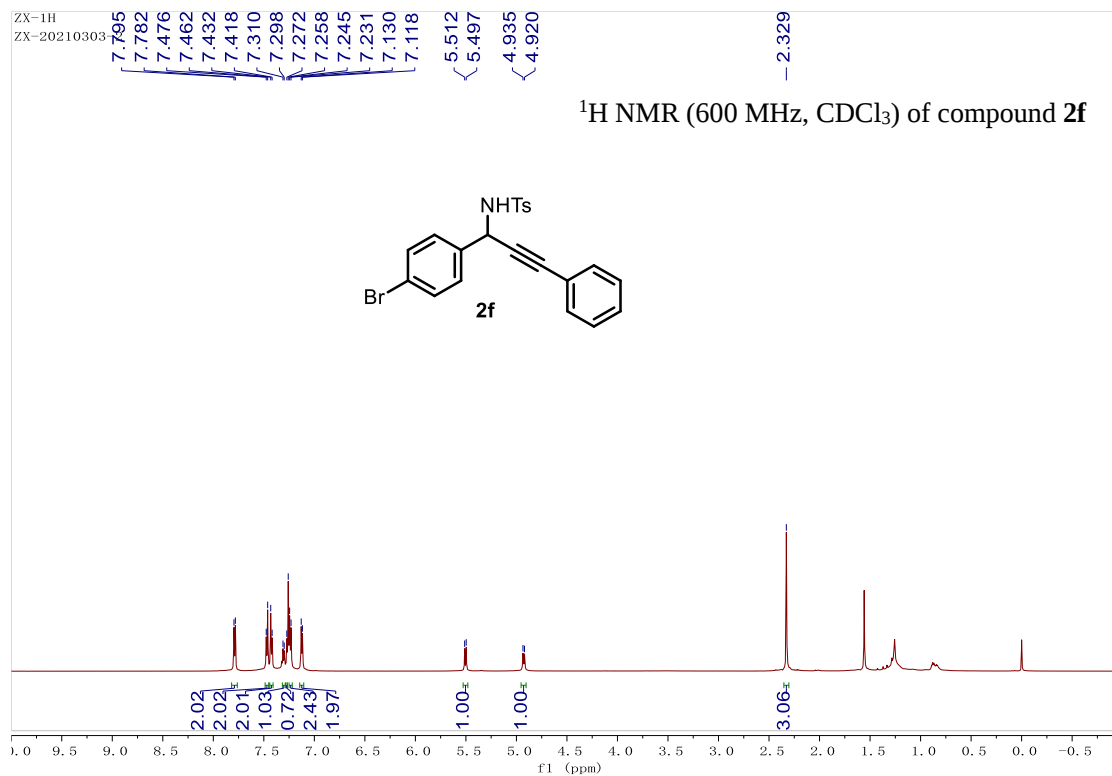


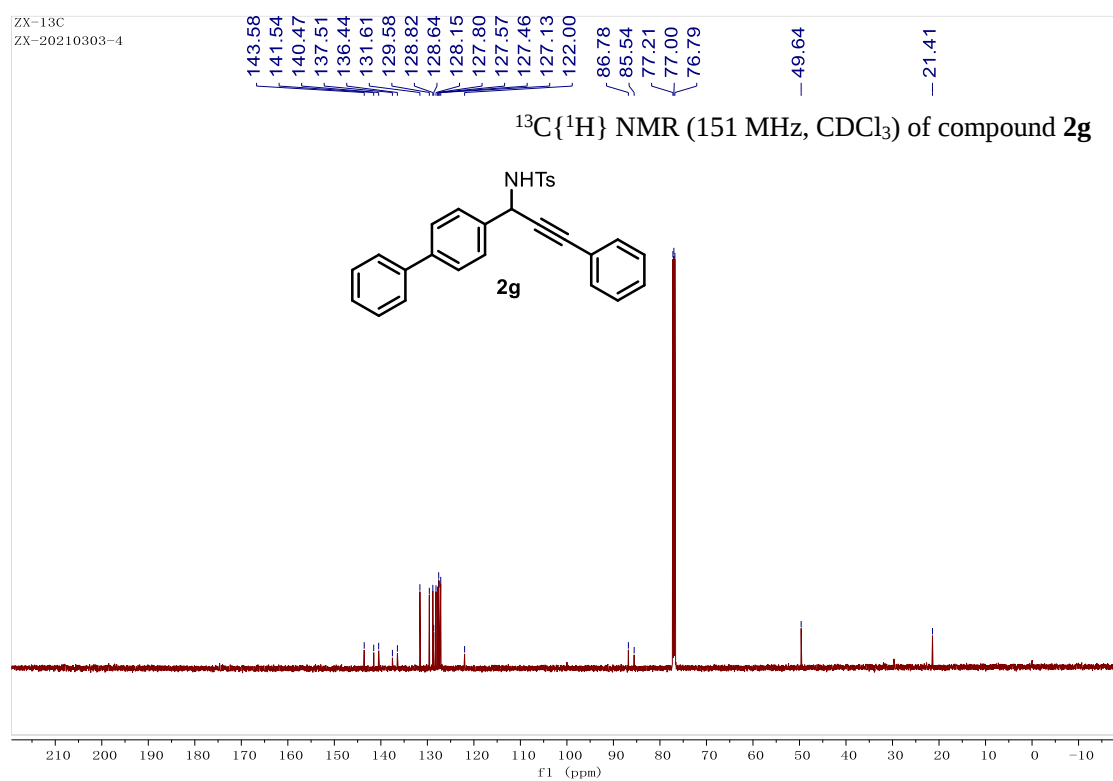
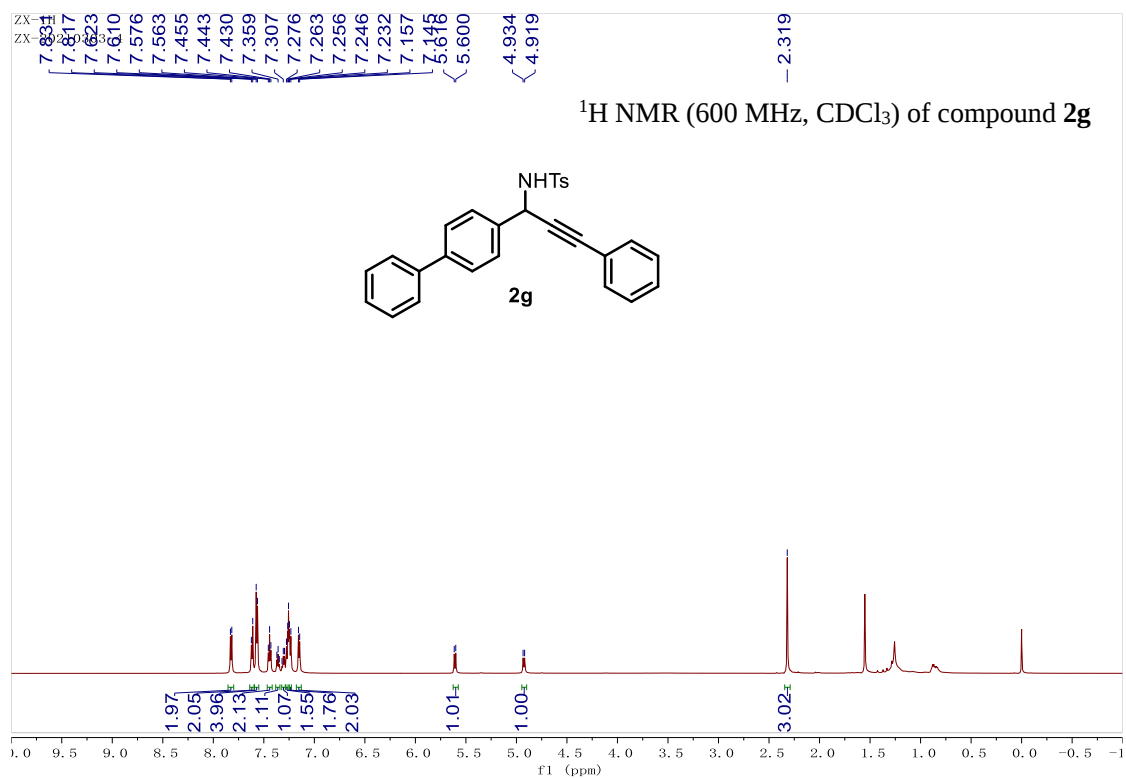


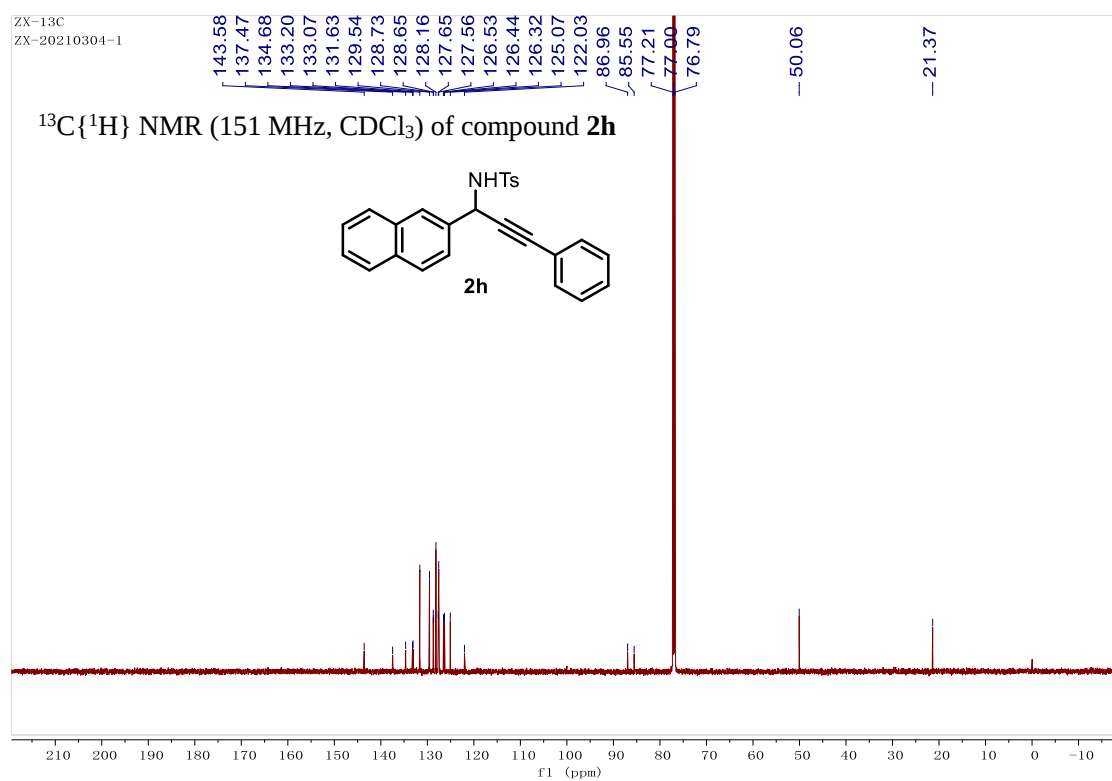
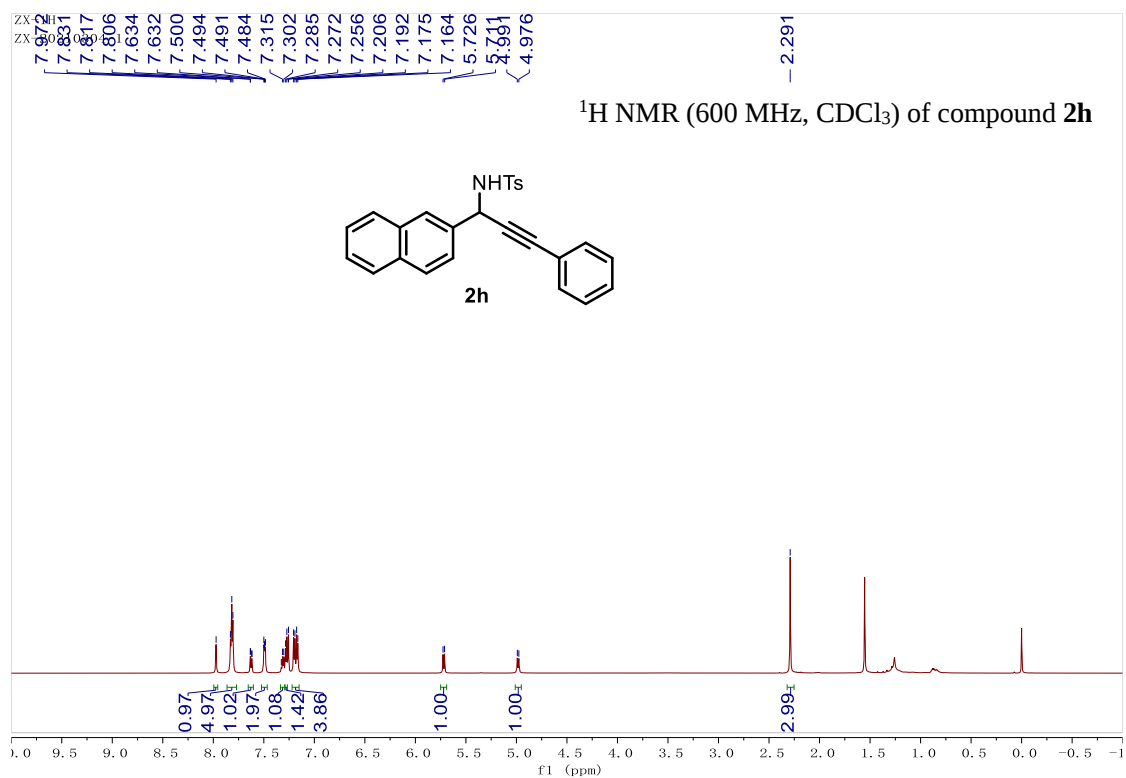


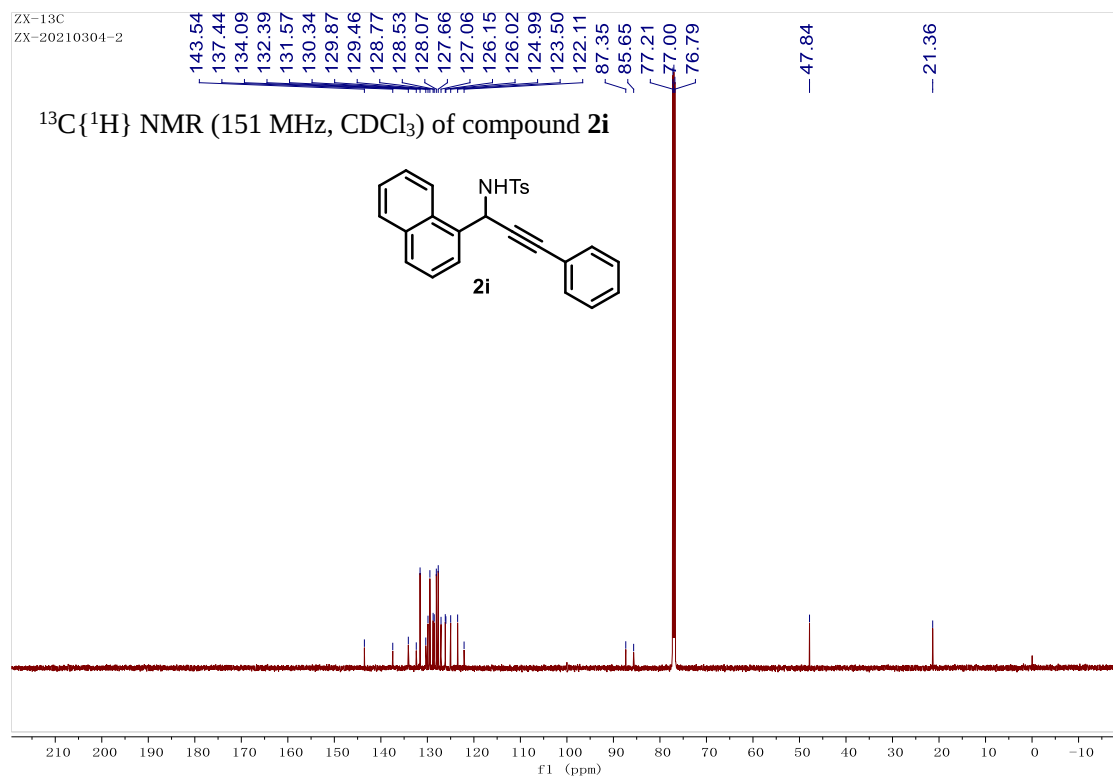
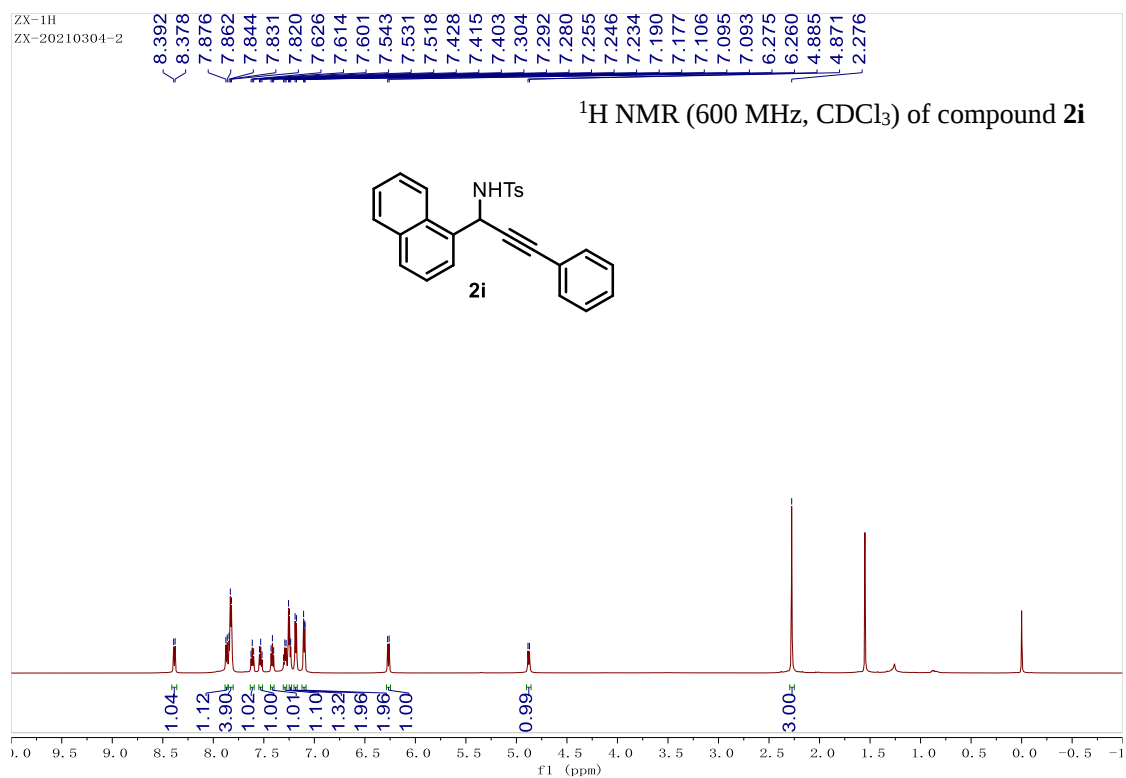


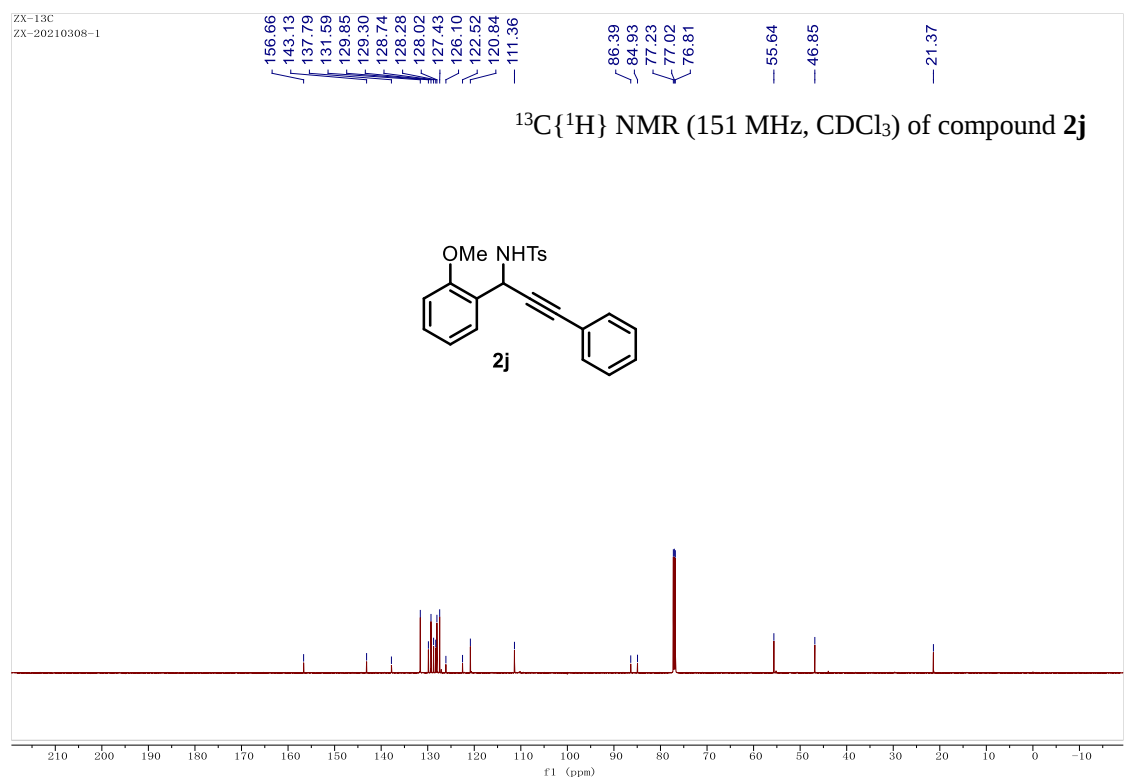
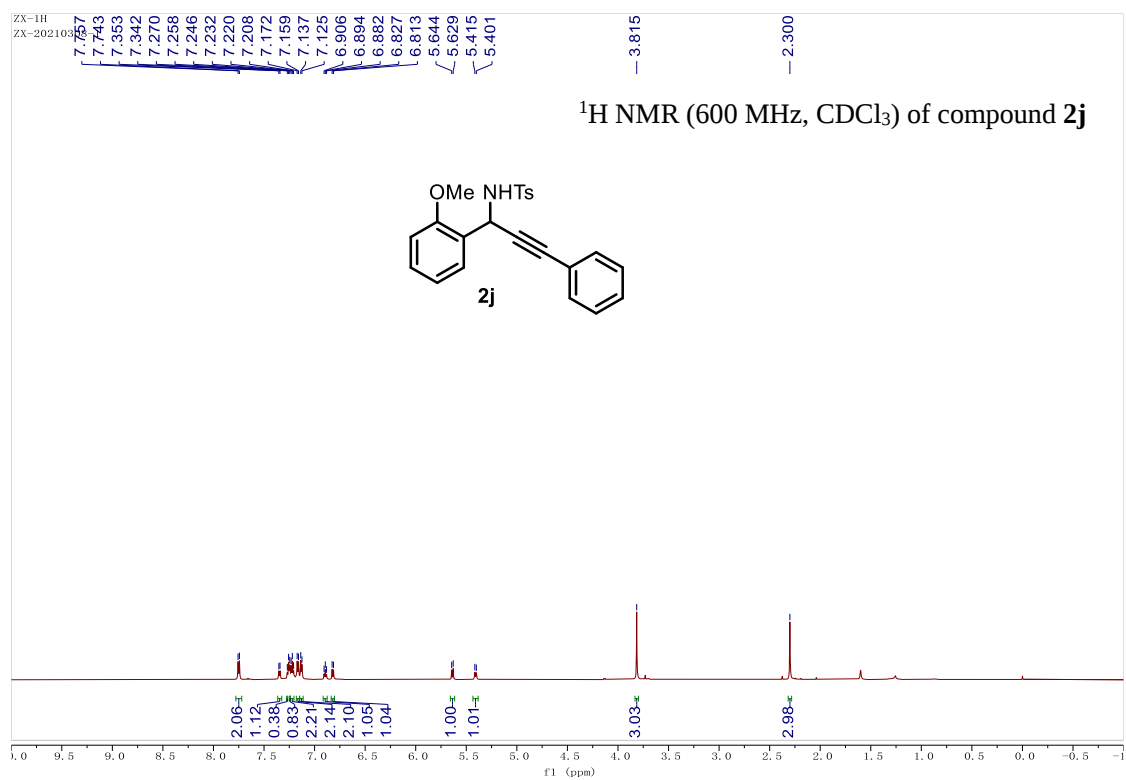


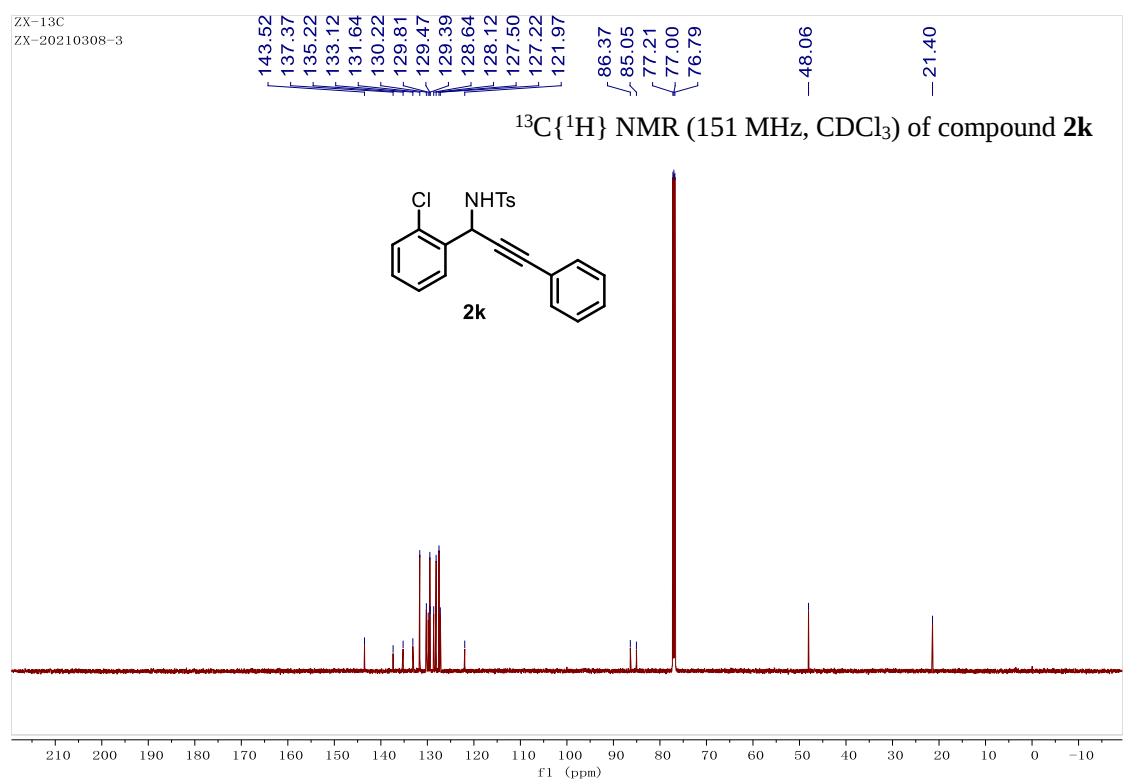
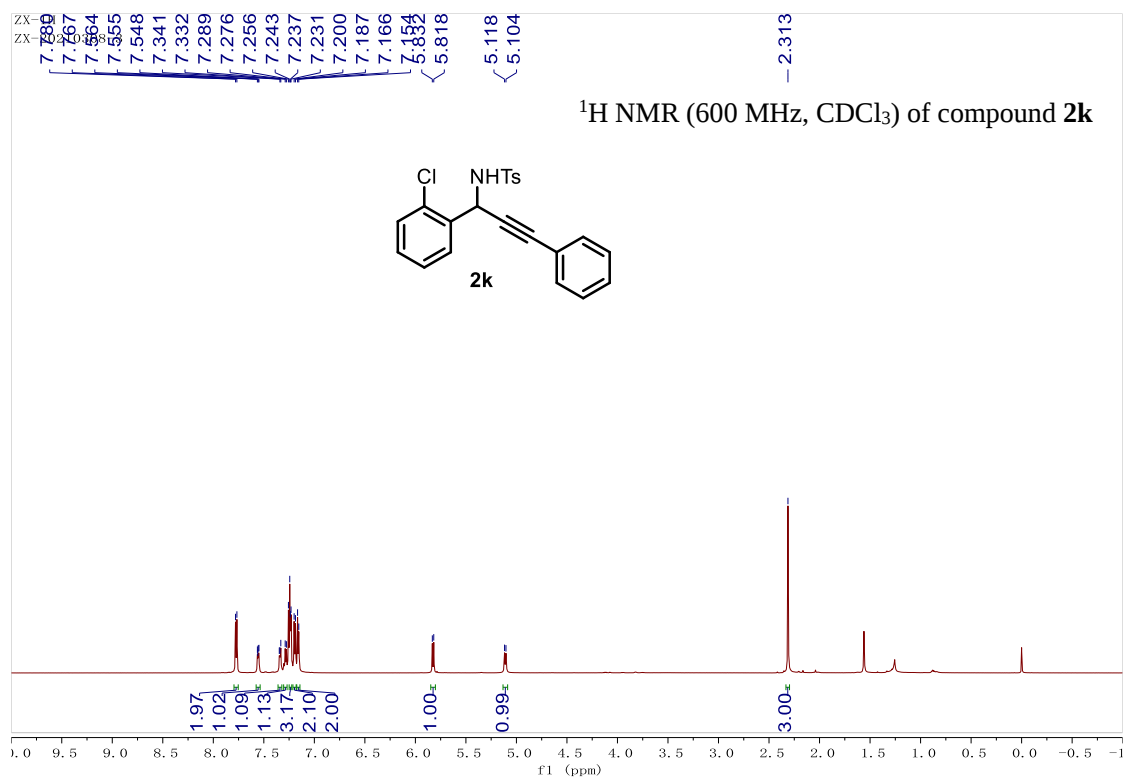






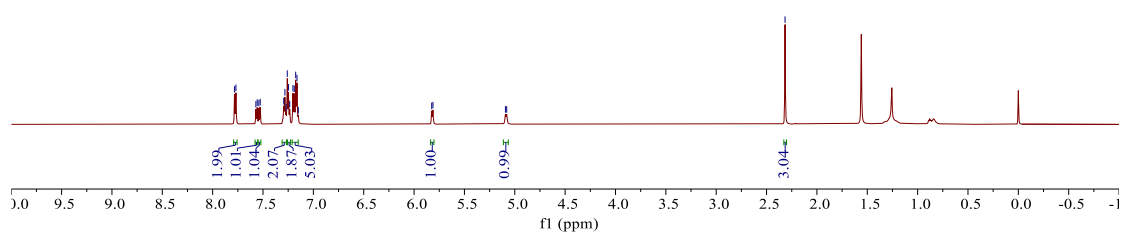
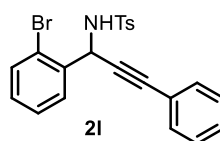






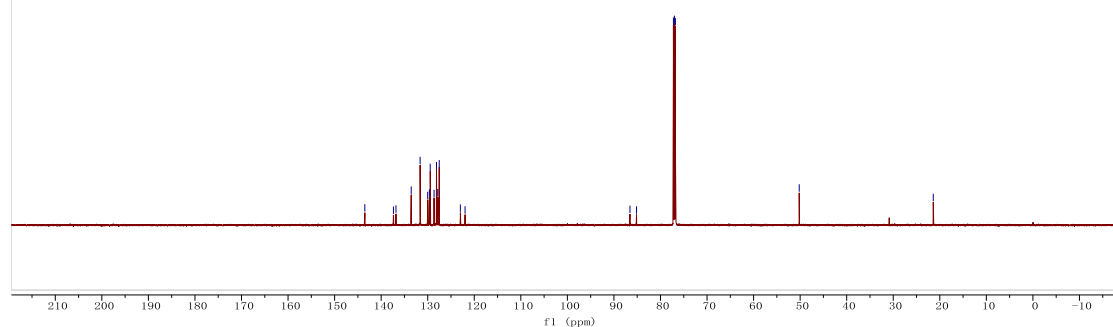
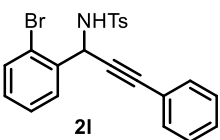
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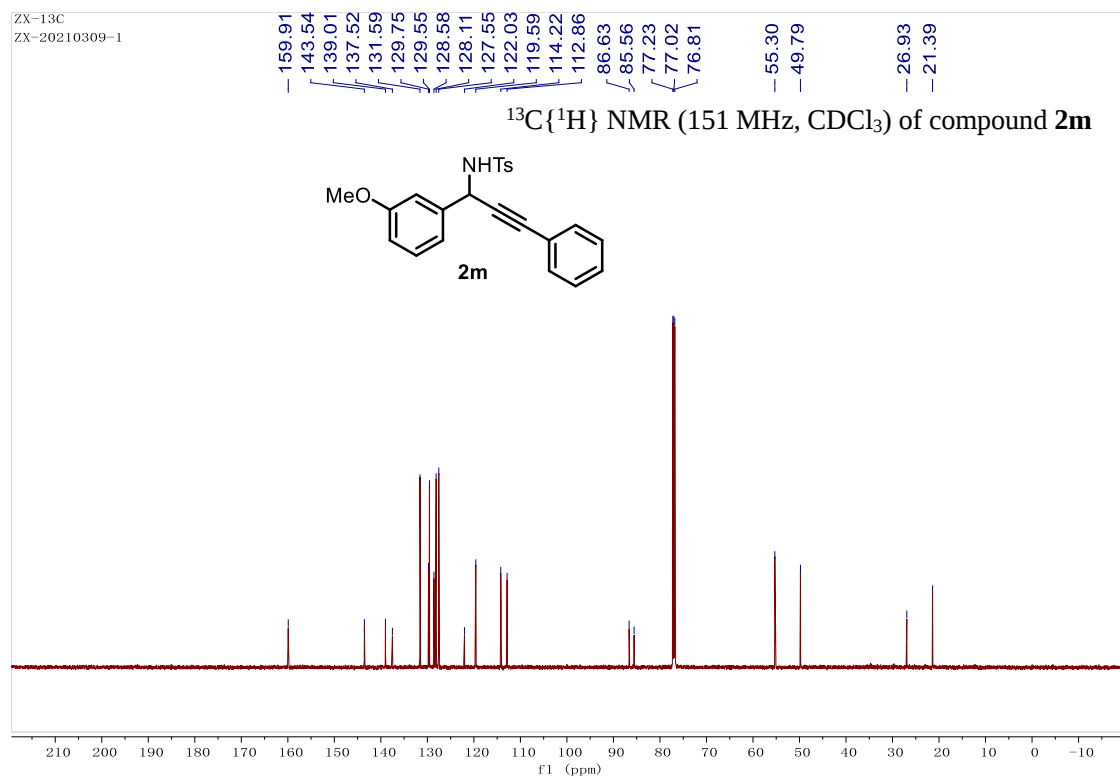
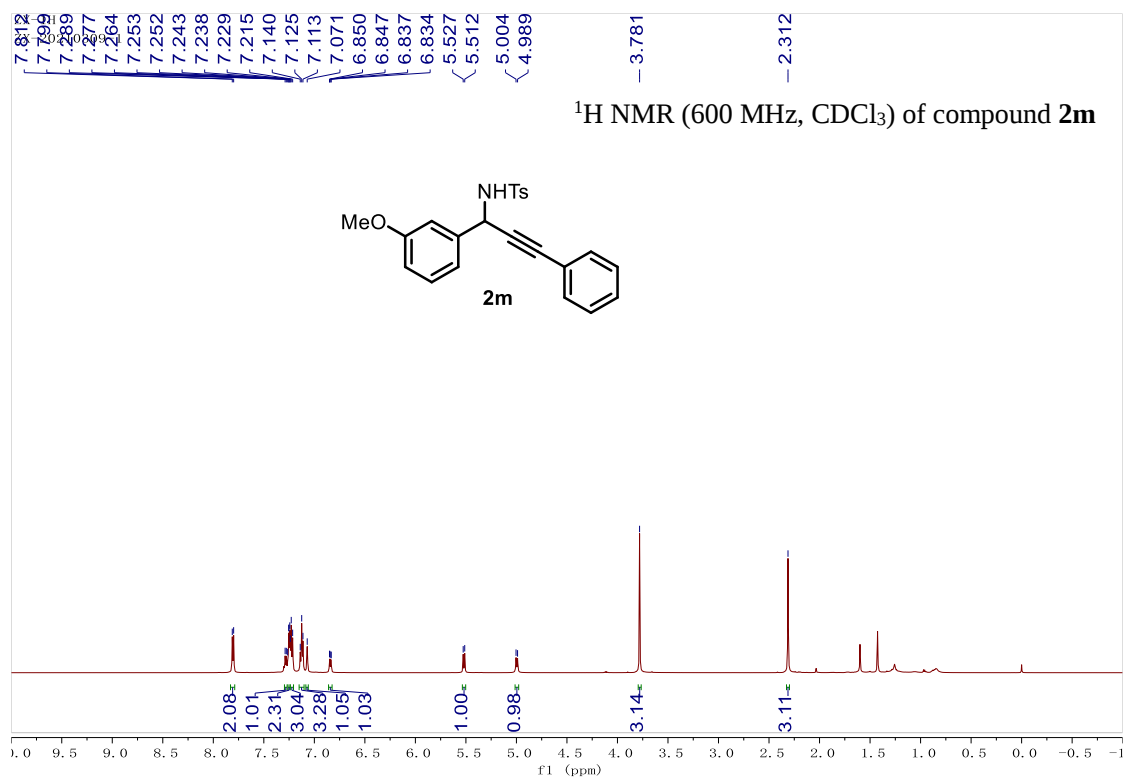
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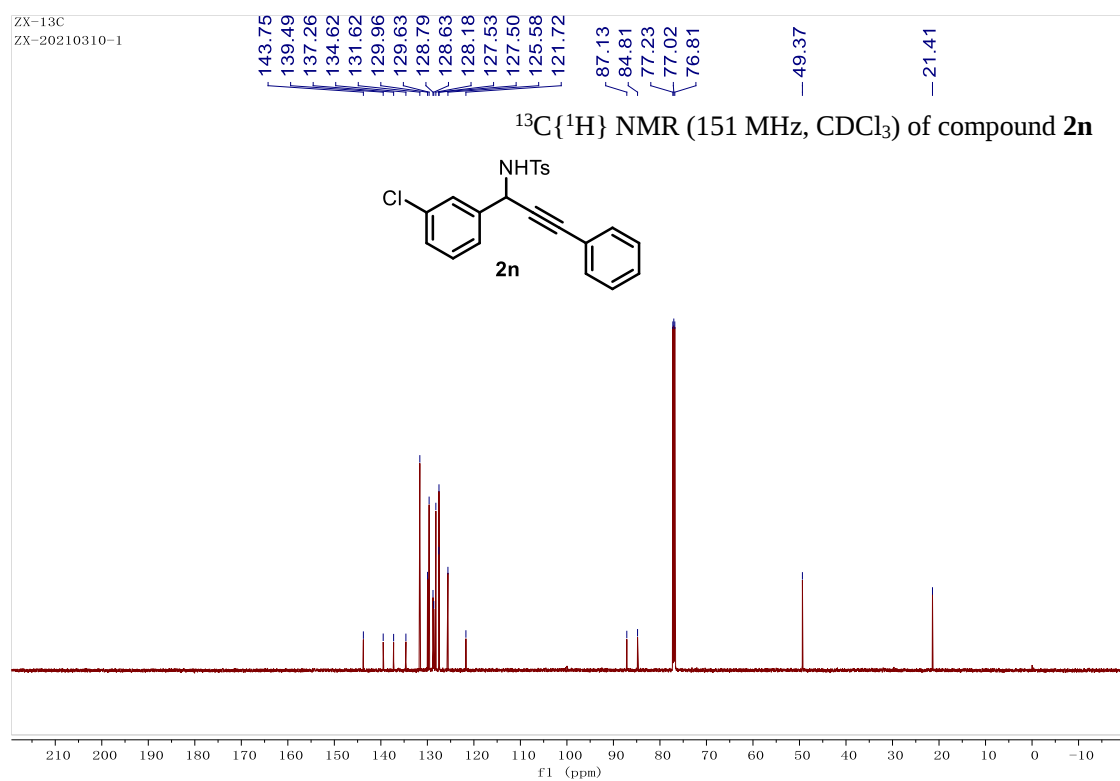
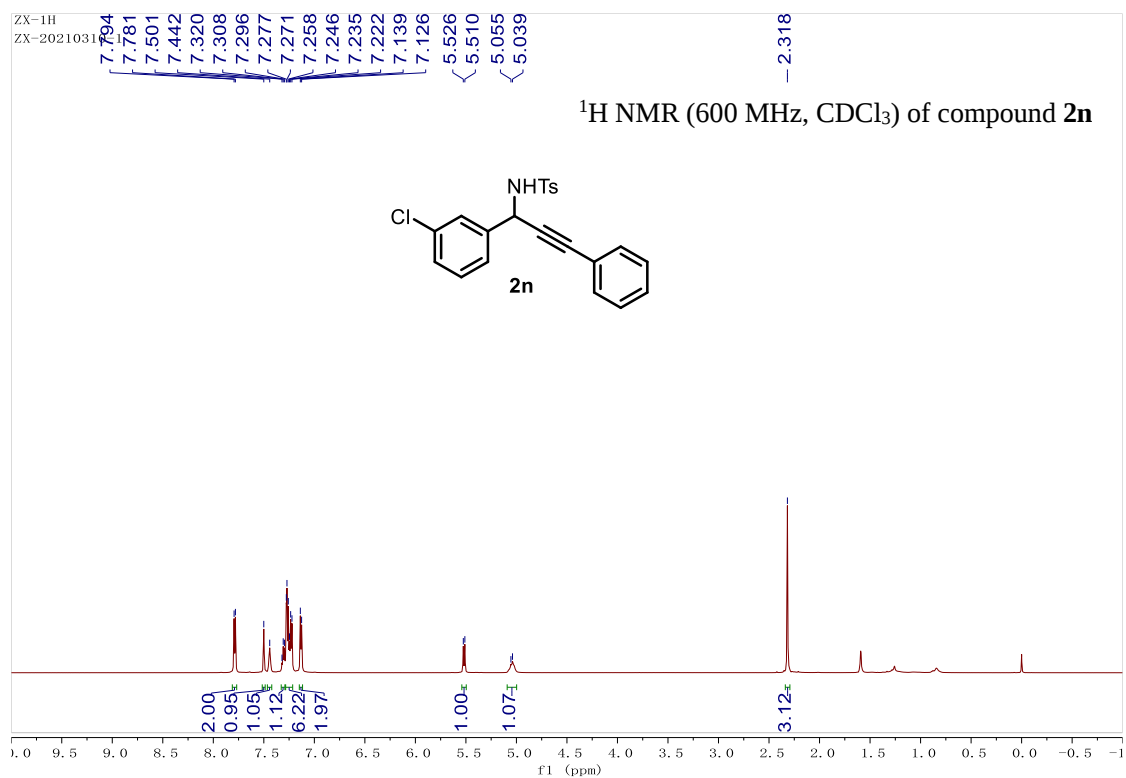


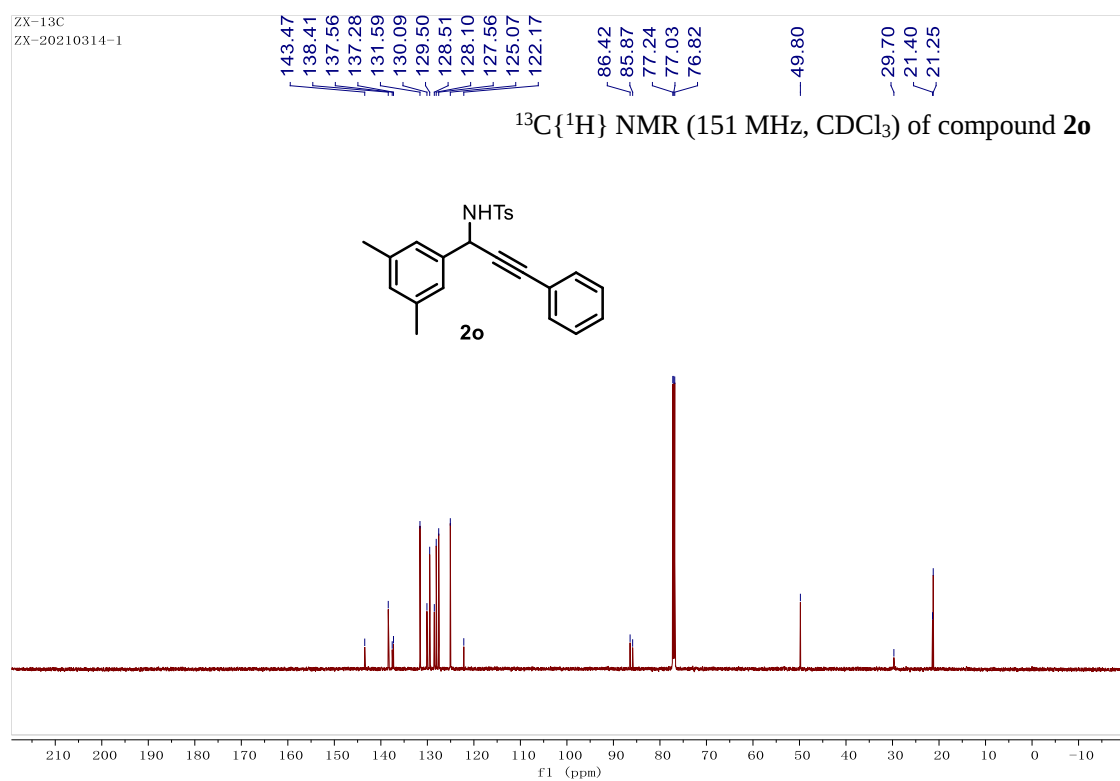
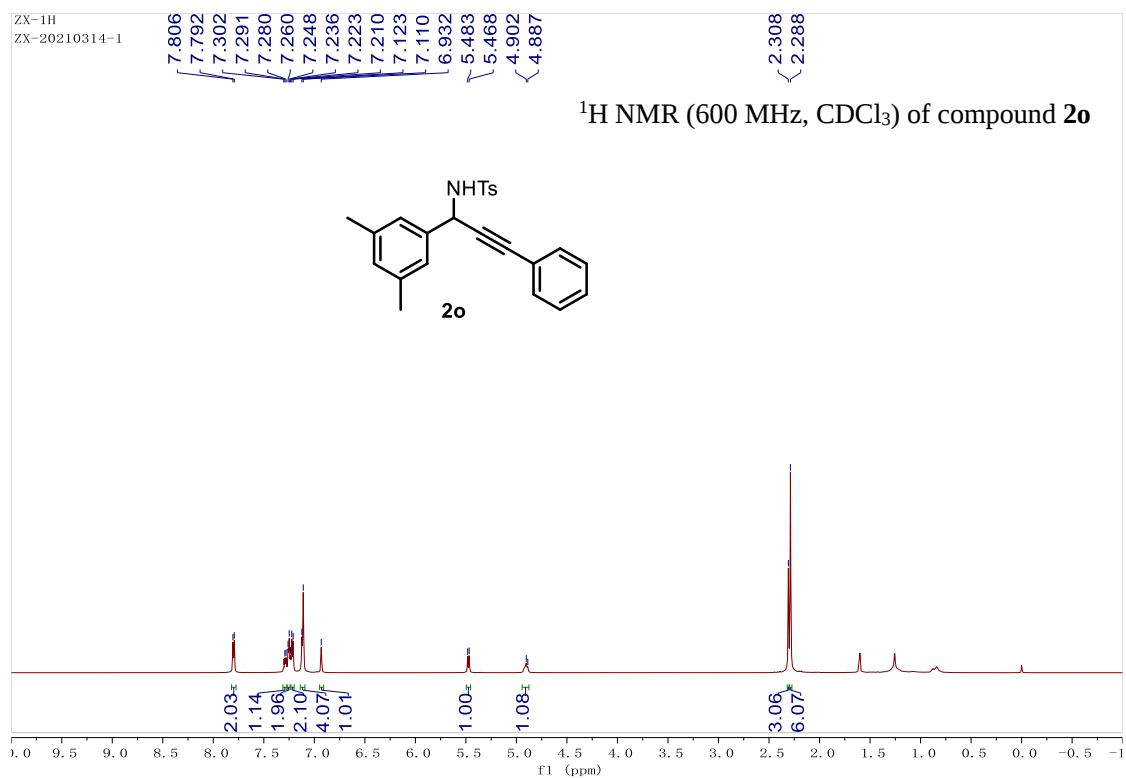
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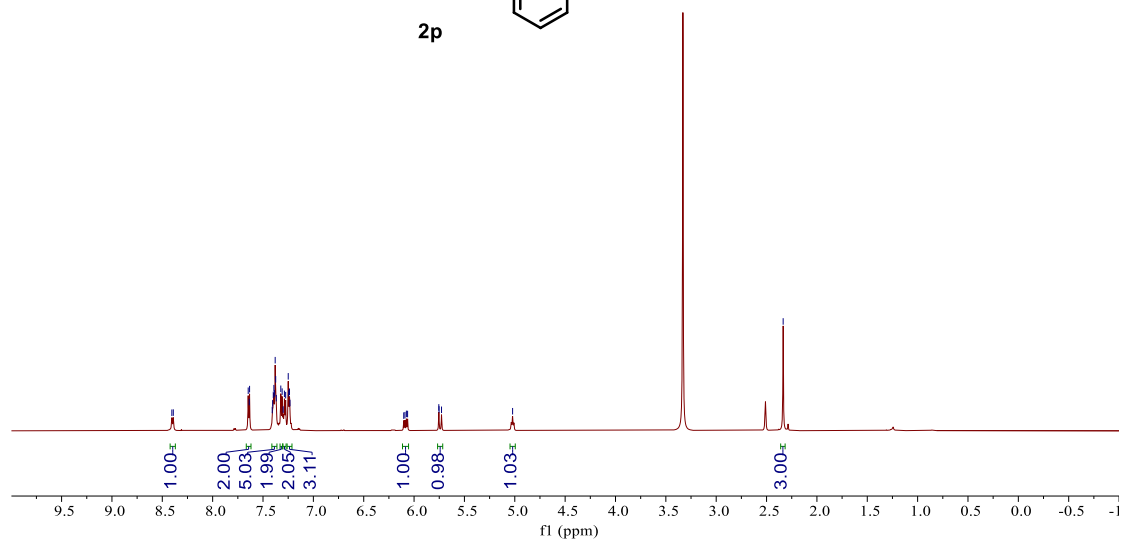
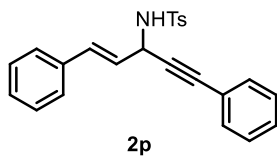




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^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) of compound **2p**



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