#### **Supporting Information**

#### Organocatalyzed Asymmetric 1,6-Conjugate Addition of para-Quinone Methides with Dicyanoolefins

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#### 1. General Information

**Reagents and Solvents**: PE refers to petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90 °C) and EA refers to ethyl acetate. All other starting materials and solvents were commercially available and were used without further purification unless otherwise stated.

**Chromatography**: Flash column chromatography was carried out using commercially available 200-300 mesh under pressure unless otherwise indicated. Gradient flash chromatography was conducted eluting with PE/EA, they are listed as volume/volume ratios.

**Data collection**: <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were collected on BRUKER AV-300 (300 MHz) spectrometer using CDCl<sub>3</sub> or DMSO as solvent. Chemical shifts of <sup>1</sup>H NMR were recorded in parts per million (ppm,  $\delta$ ) relative to tetramethylsilane ( $\delta$  = 0.00 ppm) with the solvent resonance as an internal standard (CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  = 7.26 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift in ppm ( $\delta$ ), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, brs = broad singlet, m = multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), and integration. Chemical shifts of <sup>13</sup>C NMR were reported in ppm with the solvent as the internal standard (CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  = 77.0 ppm). High Resolution Mass measurement was performed on Agilent QTOF 6520 mass spectrometer with electron spray ionization (ESI) as the ion source. Melting point (m.p.) was measured on a microscopic melting point apparatus.

#### 2. General procedure for preparation of dicyanoolefin<sup>1</sup>

NC CN + 
$$R = 1,2$$

NC CN  $R = 1,2$ 

NC CN  $R = 1,2$ 

Malononitrile (32 mmol) and the ketone (28 mmol) were dissolved in 20 mL of toluene containing ammonium acetate (500 mg, 6.5 mmol) and glacial acetic acid (2 mL) in a 50 mL flask. By refluxing vigorously, the water formed in the reaction was removed by a Dean and Stark trap placed under the reflux condenser. Evaporation of the toluene left a residue that was recrystallized from alcohol or distilled under vacuum to give pure products (1a-11)

#### 3. Preparation of p-QMs<sup>2</sup>

Aldehydes (10 mmol) were added to a solution of phenols (10 mmol) in toluene (40 mL). The reaction mixture was heated in a Dean-Stark apparatus to reflux. Piperidine (20 mmol) was added dropwise over 1 h, and the reaction mixture continued to reflux for 3 h. After the mixture had cooled just below the boiling point of toluene, acetic anhydride (20 mmol) was added, and then the solution was stirred for 15 min. The residue was extracted three times with dichloromethane. The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine sequentially, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the corresponding product **2a-2q**.

# 4. General Procedure for the asymmetric 1,6-conjugate Addition of Dicyanoolefins to para-Quinone Methides

NC CN 
$$tBu$$
  $tBu$   $tBu$ 

In a 10 mL test tube was sequentially added dicyanoolefin **1** (0.1 mmol, 1 equiv), *p*-QMs **2** (0.1 mmol, 1 equiv), catalyst (0.02 mmol, 20 mol %) and solvent (1 mL). Then, the temperature was decreased to -40 °C. Finally, Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added. The tube was sealed and stirred at -40 °C. After the reaction was completed (detected by TLC), solvent was directly removed under reduce pressure and the crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the pure product.

#### a) Characterization of the Products

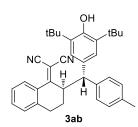
### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3aa)

NC CN HH H

yield 76% (39.4 mg); white solid, m.p. 214-216  $^{\circ}$ C;  $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.50(m, 1H), 7.47-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.33-7.24 (m, 1H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.19-4.12 (m, 1H), 3.73-3.68 (m, 1H), 3.15-2.89 (m, 2H), 2.14-1.92 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm;  $^{13}$ C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.3, 152.9, 141.2, 139.7, 135.8, 133.4, 131.7, 129.9, 129.4,

129.0, 128.8, 128.0, 127.1, 126.5, 124.3, 113.7, 113.5, 80.5, 52.6, 47.4, 34.4, 30.1, 25.5, 24.3 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -37.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 13.86 min, t (minor) = 18.22 min; er = 98:2; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{36}N_2NaO]^+$  511.2720, found 511.2713.

# $2\hbox{-}((R)\hbox{-}2\hbox{-}((S)\hbox{-}(3,5\hbox{-}di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl})(p\hbox{-}tolyl)methyl)\hbox{-}3,4\hbox{-}dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)\hbox{-}ylidene)malononitrile~(3ab)}$



yield 84% (42.2 mg); white solid, m.p. 187-189 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (s, 2H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 4.12-4.06 (m, 1H), 3.63 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.24-2.69 (m, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.17-1.87 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.5, 152.8, 139.6, 138.1, 136.7, 135.7, 133.4, 131.9,129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 128.8, 128.1,

127.7, 126.5, 124.2, 113.7, 113.5, 52.2, 47.4, 34.3, 30.1, 25.5, 24.2, 21.0 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -34.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, i-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v= 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm, t (major) = 10.90 min, t (minor) = 14.56 min; er = 91:9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{38}KN_2O]^+$  541.2616, found 541.2614.

### $2\hbox{-}((R)\hbox{-}2\hbox{-}((S)\hbox{-}(3,5\hbox{-}di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl})(4\hbox{-}fluorophenyl)methyl)\hbox{-}3,4\hbox{-}dihydronaphthale} \\ n\hbox{-}1(2H)\hbox{-}ylidene)malononitrile (3ac)$

yield 81% (41.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 162-164 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.65 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.06 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.07 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01-2.87 (m, 2H), 2.08-2.07 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.9, 163.5, 160.2, 152.9, 139.5,

137.0, 136.9, 136.0, 133.7, 133.5, 131.4, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 126.9, 126.6,

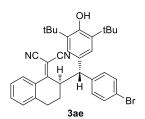
124.2, 116.0, 115.7, 113.6, 113.4, 80.6, 51.8, 47.5, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} =$  -39.7 (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 11.16 min, t (minor) = 14.47 min; er = 92:8; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}FN_2NaO]^+$  529.2626, found 529.2625.

#### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(4-chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale n-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ad)

yield 82% (42.9 mg); white solid, m.p. 179-181 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.64 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.26 (m, 6H), 6.68 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.11-4.05 (m, 1H), 3.66 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.24-2.68 (m, 2H), 2.20-1.90 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.7, 153.0, 139.7, 139.4, 136.0, 133.5, 132.9, 131.1, 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 126.9, 126.6, 124.2, 113.5,

113.4, 80.7, 51.9, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -31.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 11.58 min, t (minor) = 18.57 min; er = 95:5; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}ClKN_2O]^+$  561.2069, found 561.2059.

# $2\hbox{-}((R)\hbox{-}2\hbox{-}((S)\hbox{-}(4-bromophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale} \\ n\hbox{-}1(2H)\hbox{-}ylidene) malononitrile (3ae)$



yield 99% (56.1 mg); white solid, m.p. 163-165 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.65 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.28 (m, 4H), 6.69 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.11-4.05 (m, 1H), 3.66 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.06-2.87 (m, 2H), 2.27-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.37 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.7, 153.0, 140.2, 139.4, 136.0,

133.5, 132.1, 131.0, 129.8, 129.6, 129.2, 128.8, 126.6, 124.2, 120.9, 113.5, 113.4, 80.7, 52.0, 47.1, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -36.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 12.04 min, t (minor) = 22.50 min; er = 99.5:0.5; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}BrKN_2O]^+$  605.1564, found 605.1549.

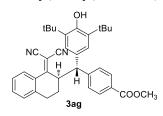
#### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3af)

yield 91% (50.6 mg); white solid, m.p. 181-183 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.66-7.54 (m, 6H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 5.21 (s, 1H), 4.19-4.12 (m, 1H), 3.80 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.19-2.82 (m, 2H), 2.24-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.41 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.9, 152.6, 144.8, 138.8, 135.6, 133.1, 130.1, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 126.4,

126.2, 125.6, 125.5, 125.4, 125.4, 123.8, 113.0, 112.9, 80.3, 51.9, 46.5, 33.9, 29.6, 24.9, 23.7 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -34.0$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 10.70 min, t (minor) = 14.98 min; er = 93:7; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{35}F_3N_2NaO]^+$  579.2594, found 579.2587.

#### Methyl

### 4-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)((R)-1-(dicyanomethylene)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-2-yl)methyl)benzoate (3ag)



yield 78% (42.6 mg); white solid, m.p. 185-187 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.04 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.43-7.27 (m, 2H), 6.71 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.75 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.03-2.91 (m, 2H), 2.26-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.6,

166.8, 153.1, 146.3, 139.4, 136.0, 133.5, 130.7, 130.3, 129.9, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.0, 126.6, 124.3, 113.5, 113.4, 80.7, 52.5, 52.1, 47.0, 34.4, 30.3, 30.0, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -44.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 24.09 min, t (minor) = 33.69 min; er = 96:4; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{36}H_{38}N_2NaO_3]^+$  569.2775, found 569.2768.

## 2-((R)-2-((S)-(4-cyanophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale n-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ah)

yield 78% (40.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 192-194 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.75-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.36 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (s, 2H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 4.17-4.10 (m, 1H), 3.74 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 2.99-2.94 (m, 2H), 2.35-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.0, 153.2, 146.6, 139.2, 136.2, 133.6, 132.8, 130.1, 129.9, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7,

126.7, 124.3, 118.5, 113.4, 113.3, 111.1, 80.9, 52.5, 46.6, 34.4, 30.0, 25.3, 24.2 ppm;  $\lceil \alpha \rceil_D^{25} = -35.3$ 

(c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be 93:7; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 36.02 min, t (minor) = 46.09 min; er = 99.5:0.5; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{35}N_3NaO]^+$  536.2672, found 536.2658.

### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(4-nitrophenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ai)

OH tBu NC CN H H NO yield 90% (48.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 122-124 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.23 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.76-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.25 (m, 2H), 6.68 (s, 2H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 4.36-4.02 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.06-2.75 (m, 2H), 2.21-1.99 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.0, 153.4, 148.7, 147.1, 139.2, 136.3, 133.8,

130.0, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 126.9, 124.4, 124.2, 124.1, 113.5, 81.1, 52.4, 46.8, 34.5, 30.1, 25.5, 24.3 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -41.0$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 31.25 min, t (minor) = 42.26 min; er = 99.5:0.5; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}KN_3O_3]^+$  572.2310, found 572.2296.

## 2-((R)-2-((S)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphth alen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3aj)

OH tBu NC CN H H H Ph yield 94% (53.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 115-118 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.68-7.21 (m, 13H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 4.28-4.01 (m, 1H), 3.72 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.28-2.71 (m, 2H), 2.35-1.90 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.3, 152.9, 140.6, 140.2, 140.0, 139.6, 135.8, 133.4, 131.6, 129.8, 129.3, 128.8, 128.3, 127.7, 127.3, 127.0, 126.5,

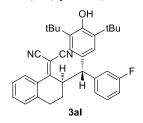
124.3, 113.7, 113.5, 80.5, 52.3, 47.4, 34.4, 30.1, 25.6, 24.3 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -36.5$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 19.77 min, t (minor) = 24.95 min; er = 90:10; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{40}H_{40}KN_2O]^+$  603.2772, found 603.2762.

#### 2-((R)-2-((R)-(3-chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale n-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ak)

yield 84% (43.9 mg); white solid, m.p. 235-238 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.19 (m, 6H), 6.70 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.11-4.04 (m, 1H), 3.64 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.10-2.81 (m, 2H), 2.14-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.6, 153.1, 143.2, 139.4, 136.0, 134.8, 133.5, 130.9, 130.2, 129.9, 129.2,

128.8, 128.6, 127.3, 126.6, 125.5, 124.3, 113.5, 113.4, 80.7, 52.3, 47.1, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -32.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 11.35 min, t (minor) = 15.75 min; er = 97:3; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}ClN_2NaO]^+$  545.2330, found 545.2331.

#### 2-((R)-2-((R)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(3-fluorophenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale n-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3al)



yield 89% (45.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 178-180 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.71 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.12-4.06 (m, 1H), 3.67 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.20-2.65 (m, 2H), 2.21-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.8, 153.0,

143.7, 139.5, 135.9, 133.5, 131.0, 130.6, 130.5, 129.9, 129.2, 128.8, 126.6, 124.3, 123.3, 115.3, 115.0, 114.2, 113.9, 113.4, 52.2, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{25}$  = -23.7 (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v= 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm, t (major) = 11.36 min, t (minor) = 14.38 min; er = 98:2; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\left[C_{34}H_{35}FN_2NaO\right]^+$  529.2626, found 529.2621.

# 2-((R)-2-((R)-(3-bromophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale n-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3am)

yield 92% (52.2 mg); white solid, m.p. 189-191 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.64 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 4H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.70 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.12-4.06 (m, 1H), 3.63 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.17-2.80 (m, 2H), 2.12-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.37 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.6, 153.1, 143.5, 139.4, 136.0,

131.6, 130.5, 130.2, 129.9, 129.2, 128.8, 128.0, 126.9, 126.6, 125.9, 124.3, 123.1, 113.6, 113.4, 80.7, 52.2, 47.1, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -16.0$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er

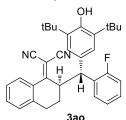
valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254 \text{ nm}$ , t (major) = 11.58 min, t (minor) = 14.66 min; er = 99:1; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}BrN_2NaO]^+$  589.1825, found 589.1818.

# $2\hbox{-}((R)\hbox{-}2\hbox{-}((S)\hbox{-}(3,5\hbox{-}di\hbox{-}tert\hbox{-}butyl\hbox{-}4\hbox{-}hydroxyphenyl)(m-tolyl)}methyl)\hbox{-}3,4\hbox{-}dihydronaphthalen}\hbox{-}1(2H)\hbox{-}ylidene)malononitrile~(3an)$

yield 84% (42.2 mg); white solid, m.p. 196-198 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.20 (m, 5H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 4.15-4.08 (m, 1H), 3.64 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.11-2.94 (m, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.18-1.94 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.5, 152.8, 141.0, 139.7, 138.6,

135.7, 133.4, 131.8, 129.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 126.5, 124.5, 124.3, 113.7, 113.5, 80.4, 52.6, 47.4, 34.4, 30.1, 25.6, 24.3, 21.5 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -40.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 9.84 min, t (minor) = 11.99 min; er = 96:4; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{38}KN_2O]^+$  541.2616, found 541.2613.

### 2-((R)-2-((R)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(2-fluorophenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthale n-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ao)



yield 99% (50.1 mg); white solid, m.p.  $180^{\circ}$ C decomposed;  $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.71-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.06-7.01 (m, 1H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.20-4.06 (m, 2H), 3.09-2.85 (m, 2H), 2.08-2.04 (m, 2H), 1.39 (s, 18H) ppm;  $^{13}$ C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.0, 162.5, 159.2, 153.0, 133.5, 130.5, 129.9, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5,

128.4, 128.3, 126.6, 124.7, 124.6, 116.4, 116.0, 113.7, 113.4, 80.7, 46.6, 44.6, 34.3, 30.1, 25.7, 24.3 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -3.0$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, t (major) = 12.04 min, t (minor) = 15.07 min; er = 60:40; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}FN_2NaO]^+$  529.2626, found 529.2628.

### 2-((R)-2-((R)-1-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)ethyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene) malononitrile~(3ap)

yield 47% (20.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 156-158 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 3.85 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.62-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.31-1.94 (m, 3H), 1.74 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.30 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.7, 137.7, 135.5, 133.2, 130.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7,

127.5, 126.6, 124.8, 123.4, 115.5, 114.4, 48.7, 44.8, 34.2, 30.0, 27.7, 23.1, 17.7 ppm;  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{25} = -1.2$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the dr value was evaluated by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL IA, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =5:95, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, t (major) = 8.59 min, t (minor) = 8.17 min; er = 53:47; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\left[C_{29}H_{34}KN_{2}O\right]^{+}$  465.2303, found 465.2306.

#### 2-((R)-2-((R)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(3,5-dichlorophenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronapht halen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3aq)

yield 54% (30.1 mg); white solid, m.p. 242-244 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.68-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.22 (m, 5H), 6.67 (s, 2H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 4.04 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01-2.97 (m, 2H), 2.15-2.09 (m, 2H), 1.37 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.0, 153.3, 144.6, 139.2, 136.2, 135.5, 133.6, 130.1, 129.9, 129.1, 128.8, 127.4, 126.7, 126.4, 124.2, 113.4, 113.3, 80.9, 52.0, 46.8, 34.4, 30.0,

25.4, 24.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -51.5$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 10.39 min, t (minor) = 12.86 min; er = 96:4; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{34}Cl_2N_2NaO]^+$  579.1940, found 579.1930.

#### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-7-methoxy-3,4-dihydronaphth alen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile~(3ba)

yield 85% (44.0 mg); white solid, m.p. 203-205 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.44 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 1H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.14-4.08 (m, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.75 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01-2.76 (m, 2H), 2.21-1.87 (m, 2H), 1.37 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.3, 157.7, 152.8, 141.3, 135.8,

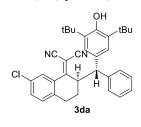
131.8, 131.7, 130.9, 129.8, 129.0, 128.0, 127.0, 124.4, 121.6, 113.9, 113.5, 111.7, 80.4, 55.6, 52.6, 47.4, 34.4, 30.1, 26.0, 23.5 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -63.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 11.31 min, t (minor) = 20.83 min; er = 90:10; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{38}KN_2O_2]^+$  557.2565, found 557.2571.

#### 2-((R)-7-bromo-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthal en-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ca)

yield 77% (43.7 mg); white solid, m.p. 192-194 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.76-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.28-7.21 (m, 2H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.17-4.11 (m, 1H), 3.63 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.09-2.73 (m, 2H), 2.22-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.6, 153.0, 140.9, 138.4, 136.1, 136.0, 131.5, 131.4, 131.1, 129.1, 127.8,

127.2, 124.2, 120.0, 113.1, 113.0, 81.7, 52.6, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.3, 23.9 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} =$  -69.7 (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 9.23 min, t (minor) = 11.15 min; er = 93:7; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}BrN_2NaO]^+$  589.1825, found 589.1819.

#### 2-((R)-7-chloro-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthal en-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3da)



yield 98% (51.3 mg); white solid, m.p. 176-178 °C; 1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl3)  $\delta$  7.59-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.21 (m, 2H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.19-4.05 (m, 1H), 3.63 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.10-2.77 (m, 2H), 2.02-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.8, 153.0, 140.9, 137.8, 135.9, 133.2,

132.4, 131.5, 131.2, 130.7, 129.1, 128.2, 127.8, 127.2, 124.2, 113.1, 113.0, 52.6, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.3, 23.9 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -58.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 13.04 min, t (minor) = 18.41 min; er = 86:14; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}ClKN_2O]^+$  561.2069, found 561.2056.

## 2-((R)-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-6-methoxy-3,4-dihydronaphth alen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ea)

yield 87% (45.1 mg); white solid, m.p. 174-176 °C; 1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl3)  $\delta$  7.72 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.20 (m, 1H), 6.87-6.91 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.08-4.03 (m, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.70 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01-2.96 (m, 1H), 2.86-2.79 (m, 1H), 2.11-1.92 (m, 2H), 1.36

(s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.2, 163.6, 152.8, 142.2, 141.2, 135.7, 131.6, 130.8, 129.0, 128.8, 128.0, 127.0, 124.4, 122.2, 114.4, 114.0, 112.8, 78.0, 55.6, 52.6, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.4, 24.6 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +14.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was

determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 14.72 min, t (minor) = 23.78 min; er = 96:4; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{38}KN_2O_2]^+$  557.2565, found 557.2560.

#### 2-((R)-6-chloro-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthal en-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3fa)

NC CN H H H

yield 99% (51.8 mg); white solid, m.p. 192-194 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.26 (m, 7H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.17-4.10 (m, 1H), 3.64 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.14-2.75 (m, 2H), 2.18-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.8, 152.9, 141.5, 140.9, 139.6, 135.9, 131.5, 130.0, 129.9, 129.1, 128.7, 127.9, 127.8, 127.2,

127.0, 124.2, 113.4, 113.2, 52.6, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.3, 24.3 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -30.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 10.85 min, t (minor) = 13.42 min; er = 93:7; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{34}H_{35}ClN_2NaO]^+$  545.2330, found 545.2328.

### 2-((R)-7-bromo-2-((S)-(4-bromophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3,4-dihydron aphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ga)

OH tBu NC CN H H H Br Br Br yield 90% (58.1 mg); white solid, m.p. 202-204 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.73-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.18 (m, 4H), 6.69 (s, 2H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 4.13-4.09 (m, 1H), 3.60 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 2.93-2.89 (m, 2H), 2.17-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.0, 153.1, 140.0, 138.1, 136.2, 132.2,

131.4, 131.1, 130.9, 130.8, 129.5, 124.0, 121.1, 120.1, 113.0, 112.8, 81.9, 52.0, 46.9, 34.4, 30.0, 25.2, 23.9 ppm;  $\left[\alpha\right]_D^{25} = -46.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 9.50 min, t (minor) = 15.77 min; er = 87:13; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\left[C_{34}H_{34}Br_2N_2NaO\right]^+$  667.0930, found 667.0919.

#### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(4-bromophenyl)(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-7-methoxy-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-ylidene)malononitrile (3ha)

yield 99% (59.1 mg); white solid, m.p. 174-176 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.49 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.17-7.03 (m, 3H), 6.72 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.15-3.96 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.72 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.00-2.70 (m, 2H), 2.12-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.29 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.7, 157.8, 153.0, 140.3, 135.9,

132.1, 131.5, 131.1, 130.9, 129.6, 124.3, 121.7, 120.9, 113.8, 113.5, 111.7, 80.6, 55.6, 52.0, 47.2, 34.4, 30.1, 25.9, 23.5 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -43.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 11.96 min, t (minor) = 25.84 min; er = 93:7; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{37}BrKN_2O_2]^+$  635.1670, found 635.1659.

#### 2-((R)-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)cyclohexylidene)malononitrile (3ia)

OH tBu tBu NC CN \* yield 99% (43.6 mg); white solid, m.p. 187-189 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46-7.12 (m, 5H), 7.03 (s, 2H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 4.21-4.17 (m, 1H), 3.97-3.76 (m, 1H), 2.86-2.82 (m, 1H), 2.63-2.52 (m, 1H), 2.19-2.15 (m, 1H), 1.89-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.56-1.41 (m, 3H), 1.37 (s, 18H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 187.2, 152.9, 141.4, 136.2, 131.3, 129.1, 128.0, 127.0, 124.0, 112.1, 111.6, 83.9, 52.9,

48.3, 34.4, 31.4, 30.6, 30.2, 28.9, 19.6 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -58.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 8.58 min, t (minor) = 8.21 min; er = 56:44; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{30}H_{36}N_2NaO]^+$  463.2720, found 463.2718.

## $2-((R)-6-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]\\ lannulen-5-ylidene)malononitrile~(3ja)$

OH tBu NC CN \* yield 75% (37.7 mg); white solid, m.p. 190-192 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO)  $\delta$  7.49-7.04 (m, 9H), 6.82 (s, 2H), 5.75 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (s, 2H), 2.08-1.68 (m, 4H), 1.42 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  187.3, 152.8, 142.2, 138.5, 136.0, 134.4, 131.5, 130.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 127.6, 126.9, 125.9, 124.8, 112.4, 112.0, 87.1,

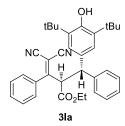
52.0, 48.8, 36.2, 34.4, 33.9, 30.4, 21.8 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +157.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL OD-H, *i*-PrOH: Hexane =1:99, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254 \text{ nm}$ , t (major) = 19.30 min, t (minor) = 18.46 min; er = 91:9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{38}KN_2O]^+$  541.2616, found 541.2620.

#### 2-((R)-3-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)thiochroman-4-ylidene)malono nitrile (3ka)

yield 98% (49.6 mg); yellow solid, m.p. 248-250 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.52 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.29-4.24 (m, 1H), 4.03 (d, J = 11.4Hz, 1H), 3.41-3.36 (m, 1H), 3.00-2.94 (m, 1H), 1.36 (s, 18H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl3) δ 173.7, 153.0, 140.7, 137.7, 135.8,

133.4, 130.8, 130.7, 129.1, 127.9, 127.4, 126.8, 126.0, 124.6, 124.3, 113.1, 113.0, 82.8, 51.6, 43.9, 34.3, 30.1, 29.2 ppm;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +74.3$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL IB, i-PrOH: Hexane =0.5:99.5, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 11.69 min, t (minor) = 17.41 min; er = 99:1; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{33}H_{34}N_2NaOS]^+$  529.2284, found 529.2279.

#### (R)-ethyl 4,4-dicyano-2-((S)-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-phenylbut-3-enoate (3la)



yield 56% (30 mg); white solid, m.p. 148-150 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.50-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.26 (m, 6H), 7.19 (d, J =7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (s, 2H), 5.14-5.08 (m, 2H), 4.25 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.36 (s, 18H), 1.15 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 174.6, 168.1, 152.9, 141.8, 136.2, 133.5, 131.4, 130.0, 128.8, 128.5, 127.9, 127.4, 127.0, 124.6, 124.2, 112.4, 112.2, 62.5, 57.4, 51.6, 34.3, 30.2, 13.9 ppm;  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{25} = +3.7$  (c = 0.3, EA); the dr value was evaluated by HPLC of the

mixture and was found to be >20:1; the er valure was determined by HPLC, using CHIRALCEL IB, i-PrOH: Hexane =0.5:99.5, v = 0.5 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, t (major) = 10.95 min, t (minor) = 10.59 min; er = 67:33; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[C_{35}H_{38}N_2NaO_3]^+$  557.2775, found 557.2777.

#### 5. Removal or functionalization of the tert-butyl groups and dicyanoolefin

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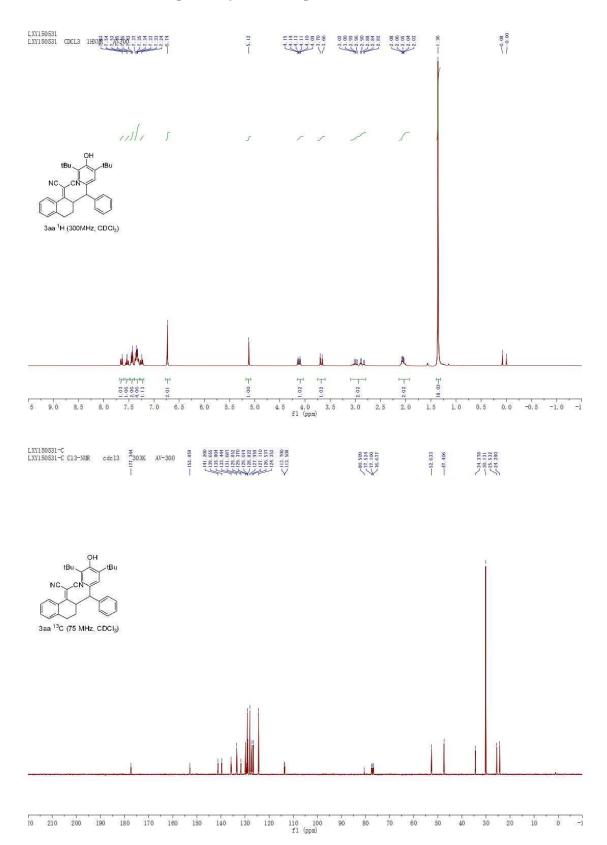
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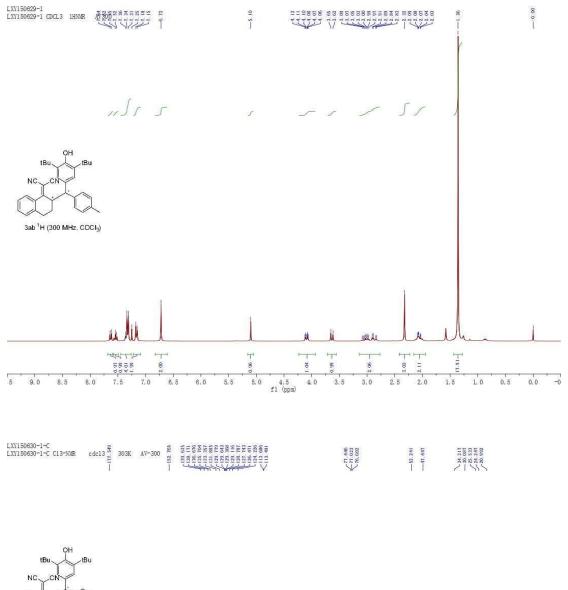
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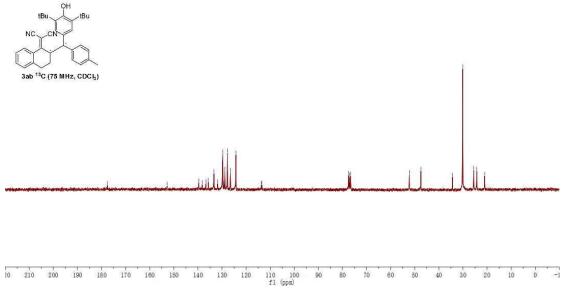
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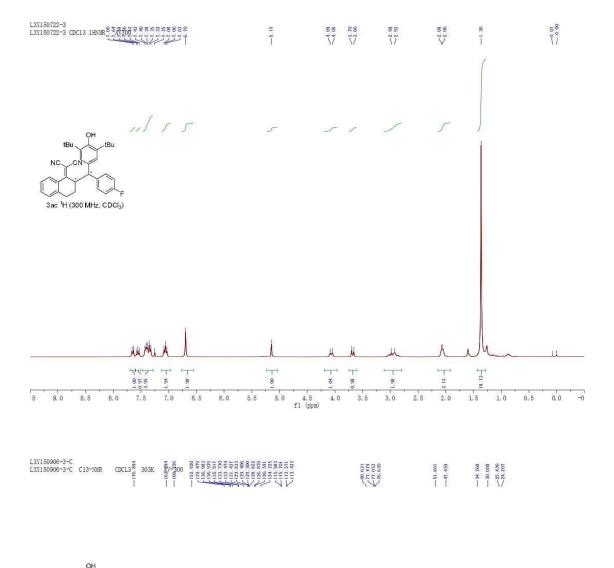
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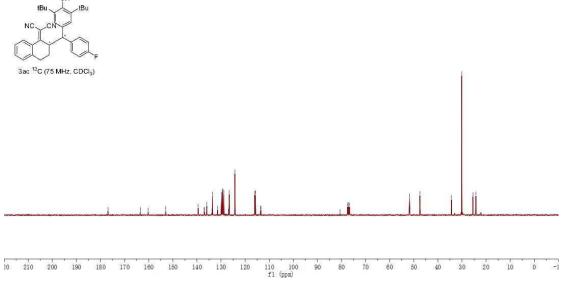
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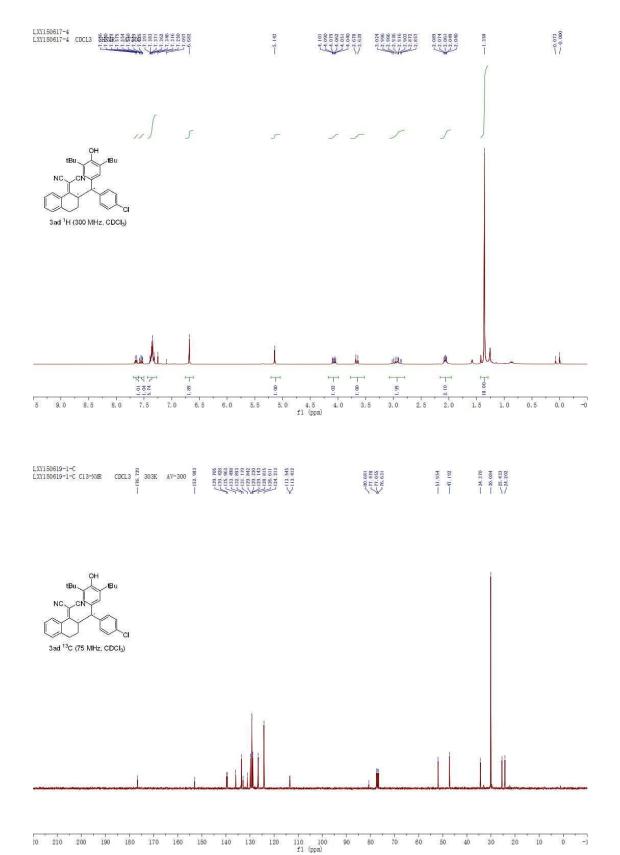


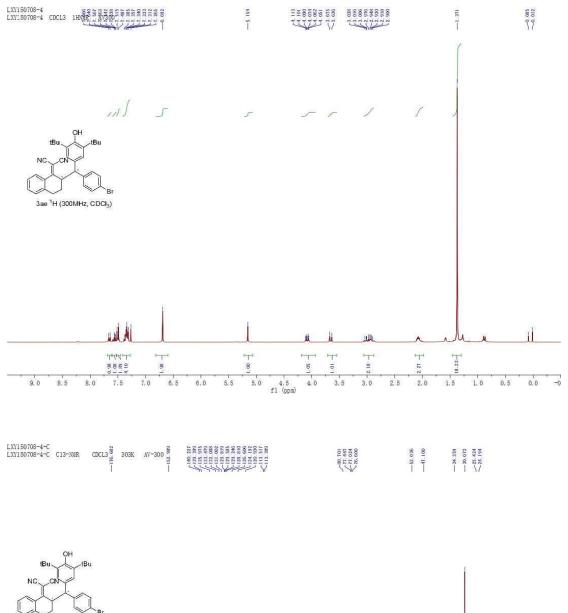


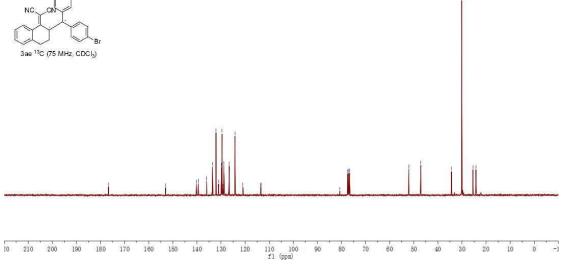


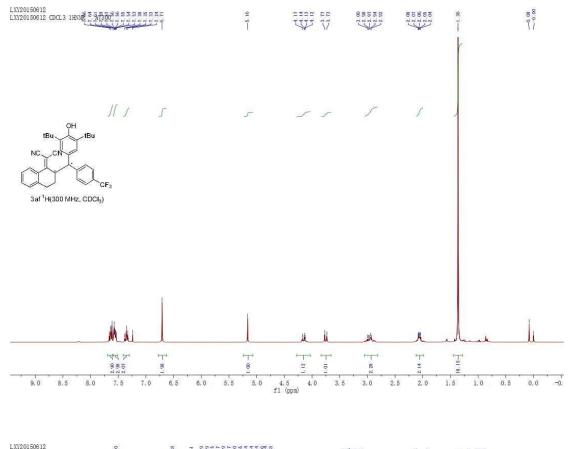




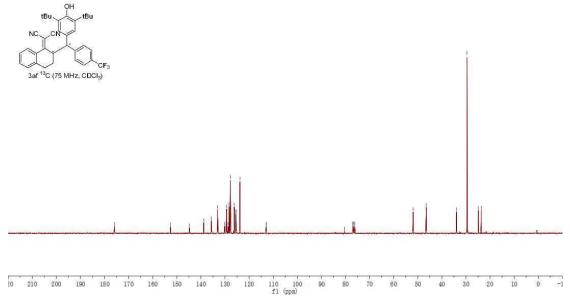


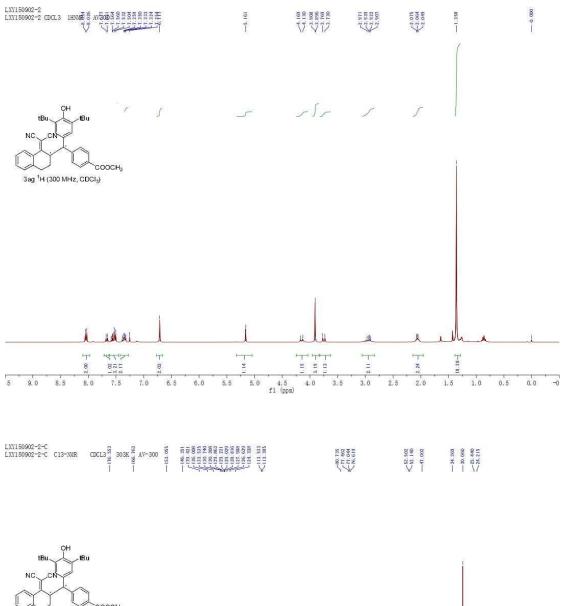


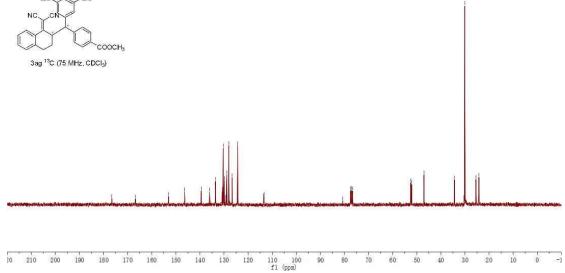


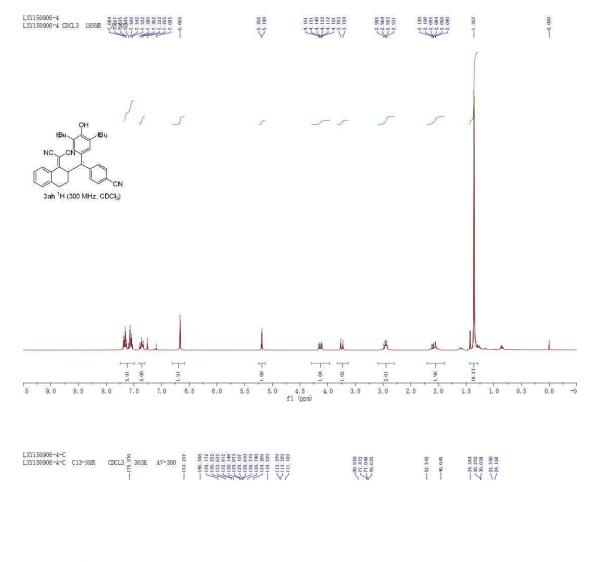


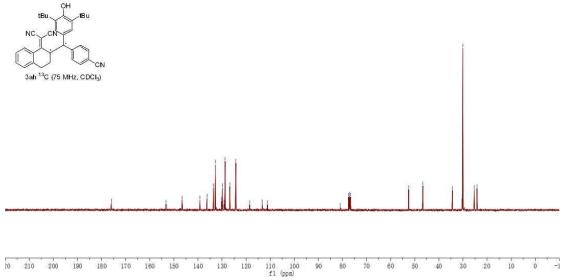


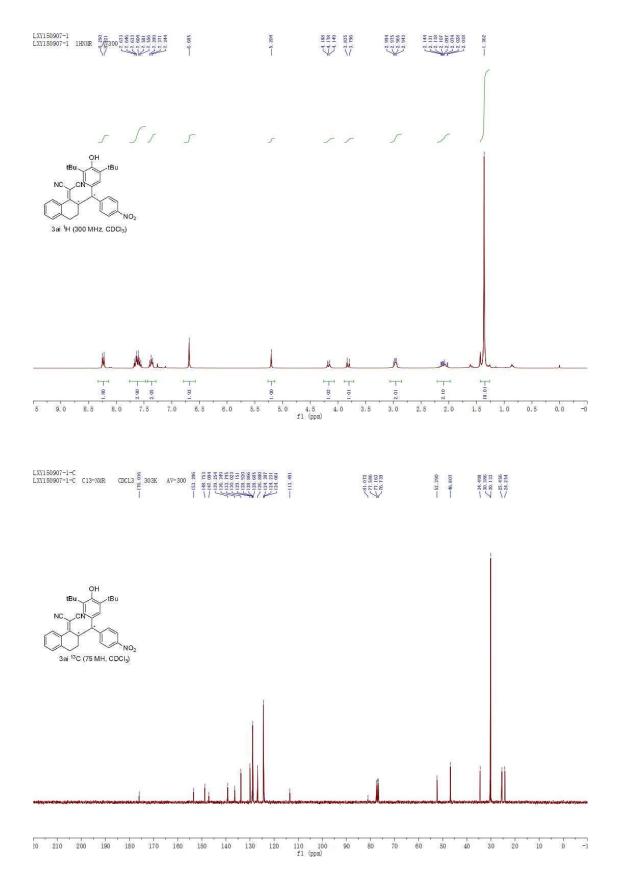


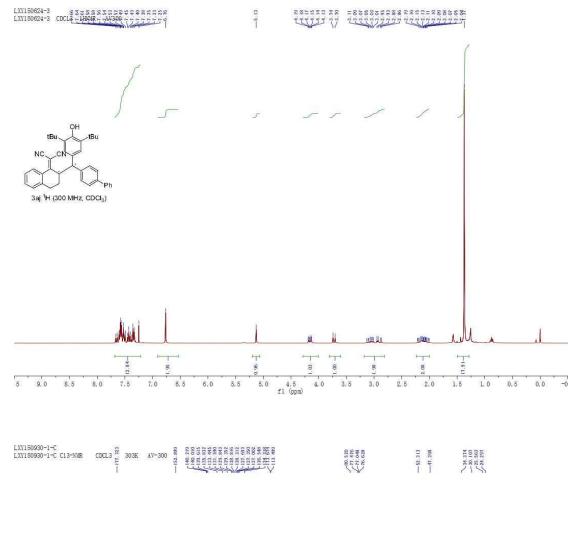


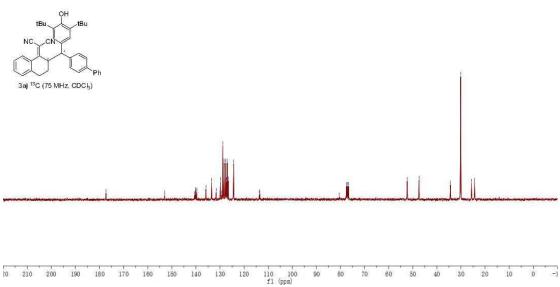


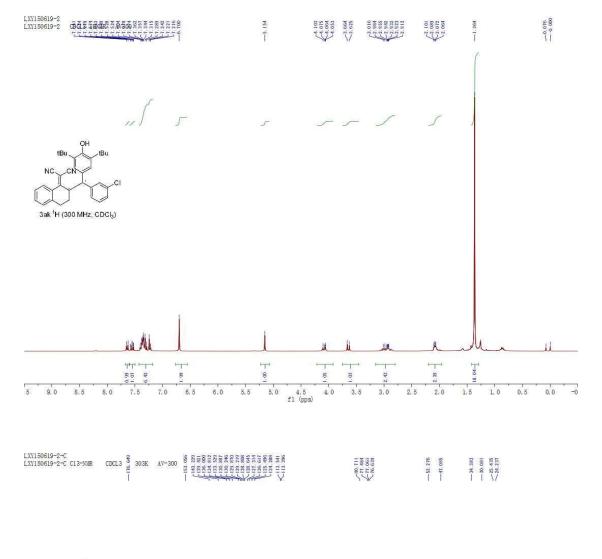


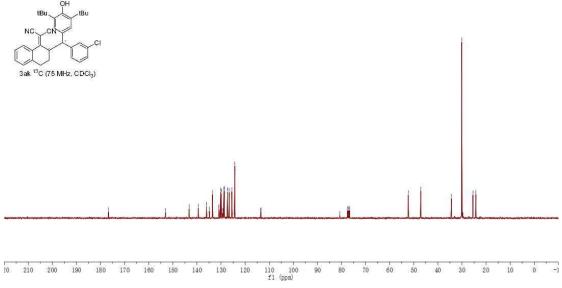


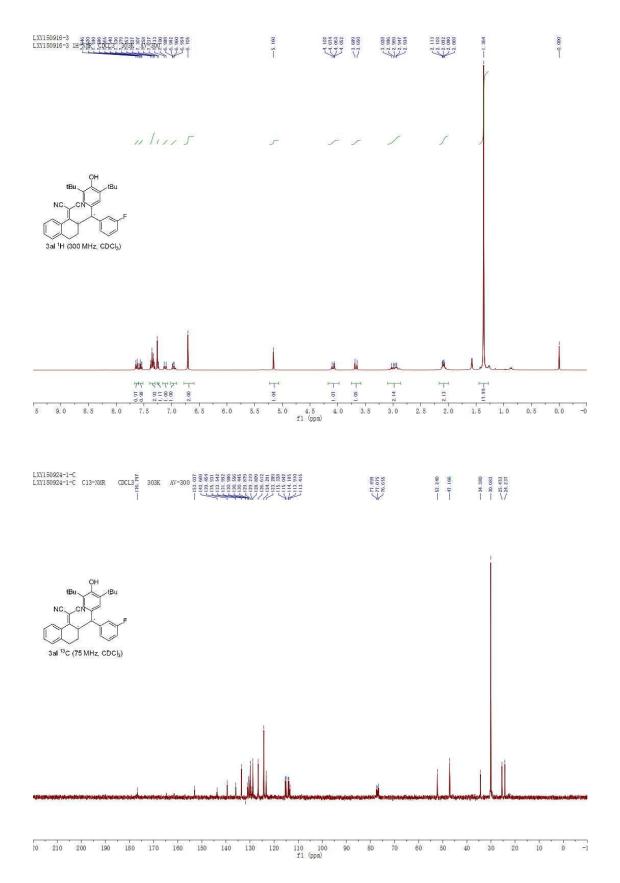


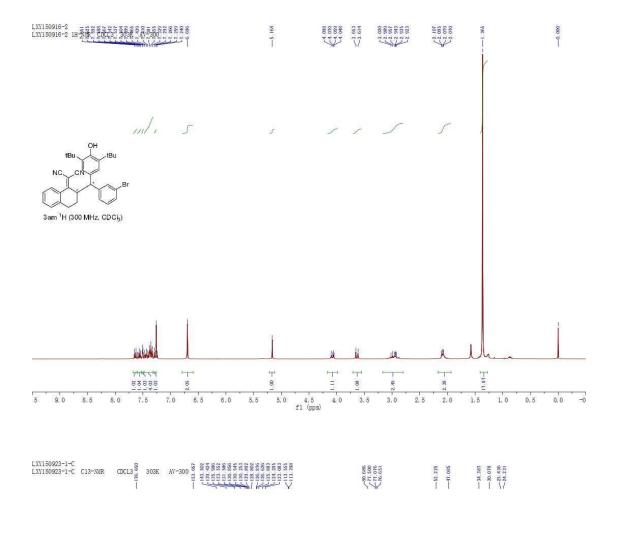


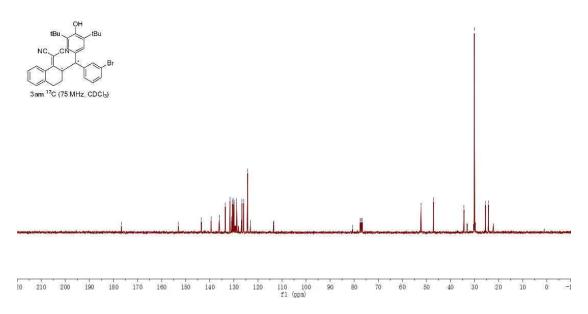


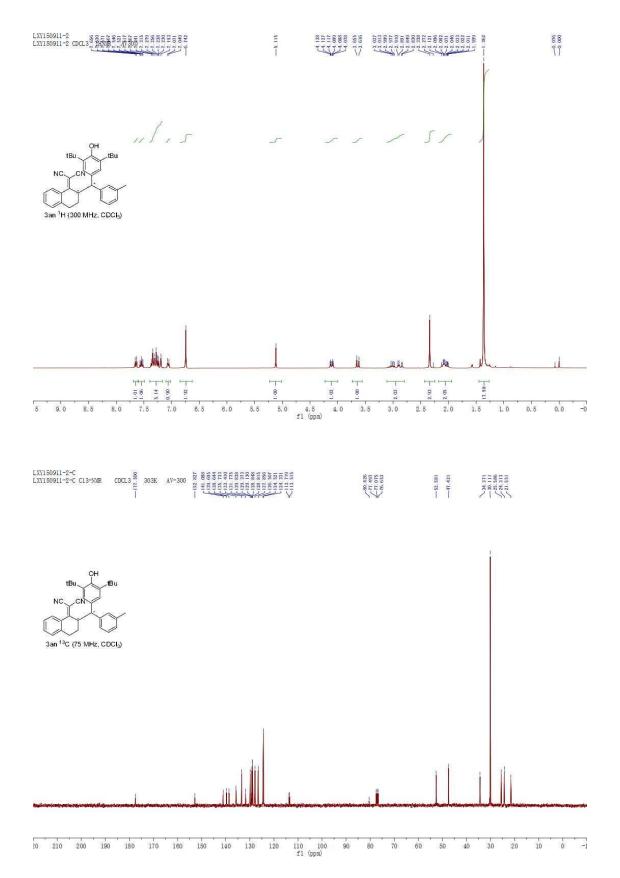


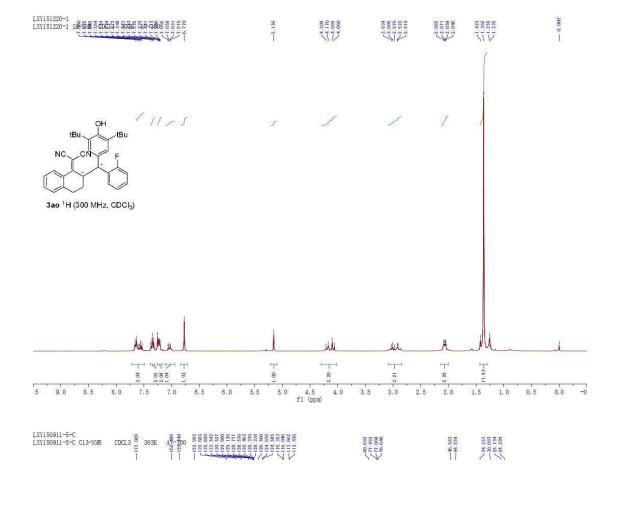


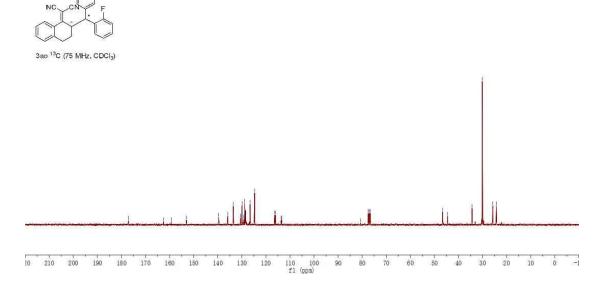


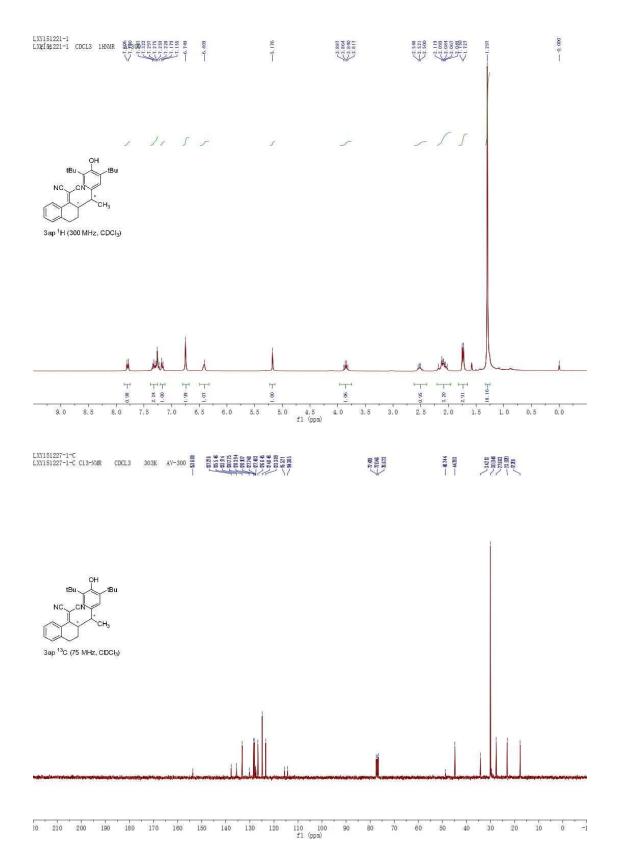


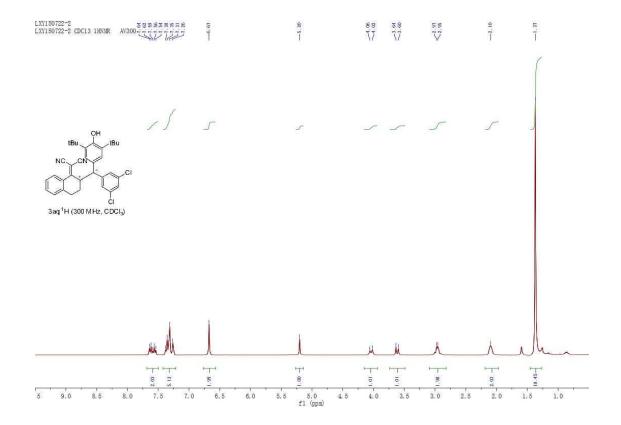




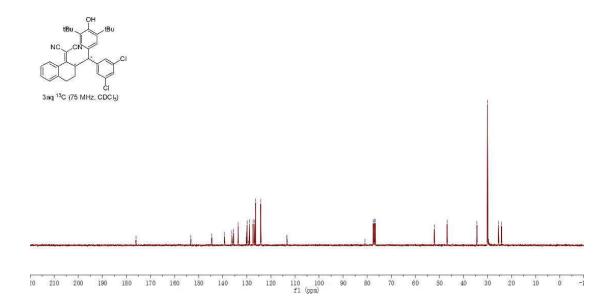


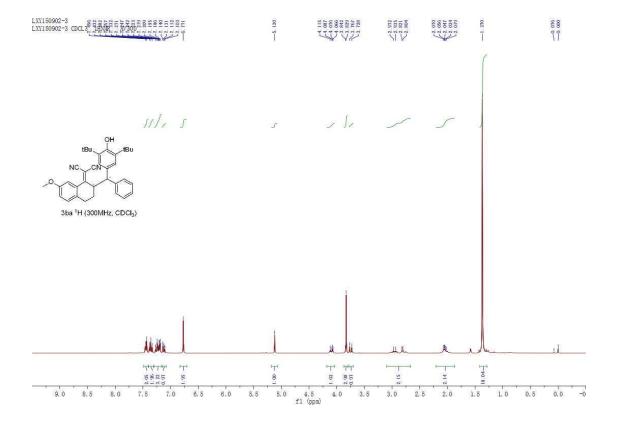


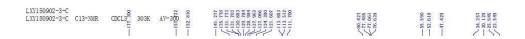


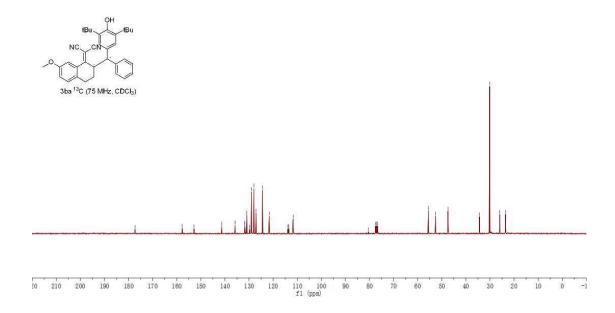


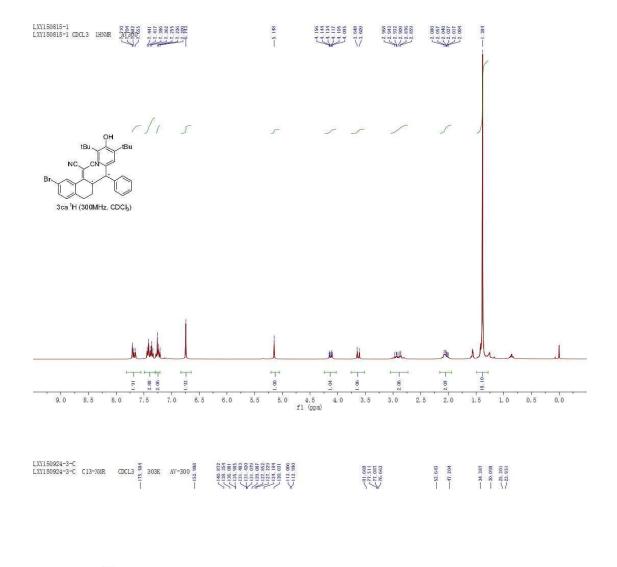


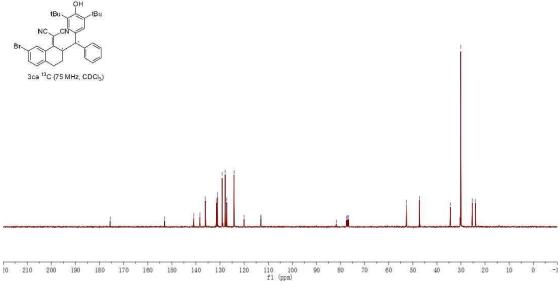


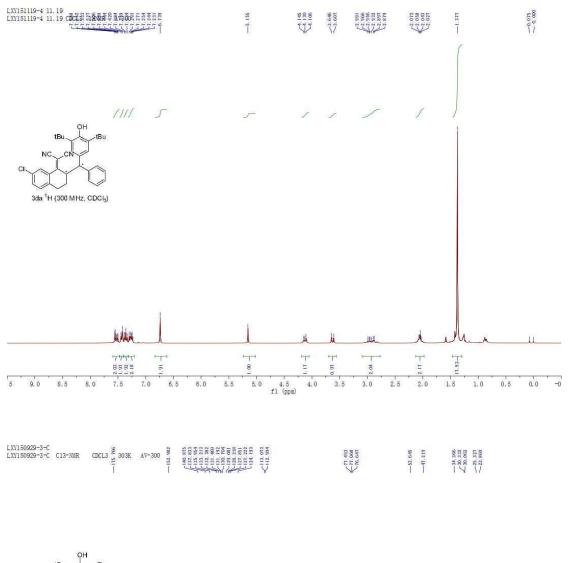


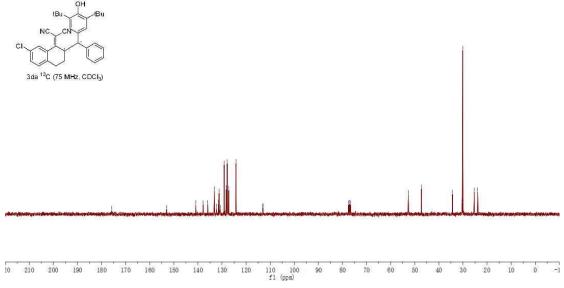


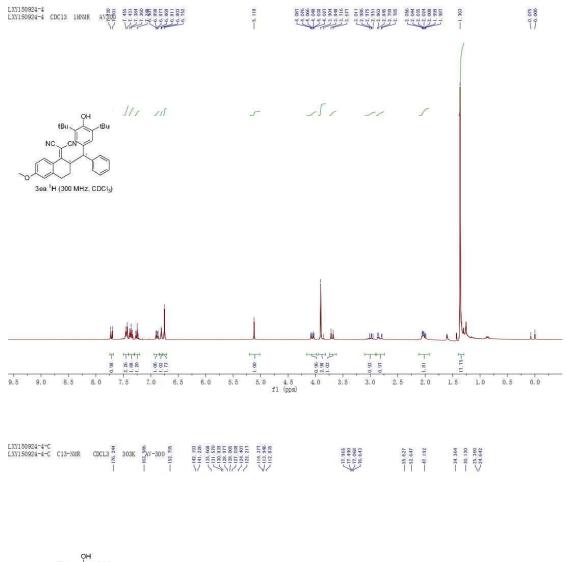


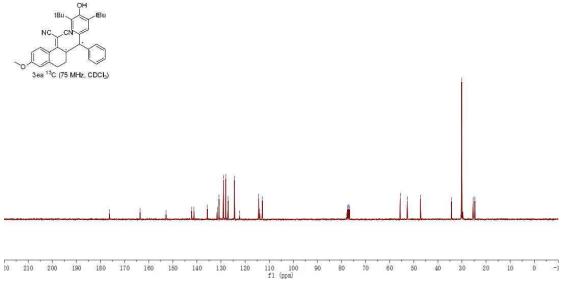


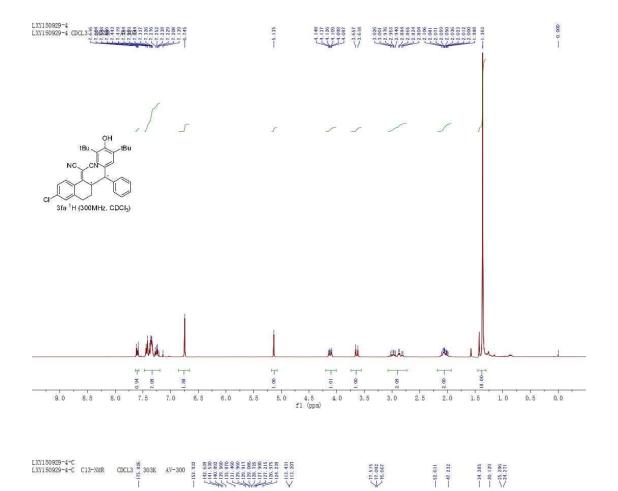


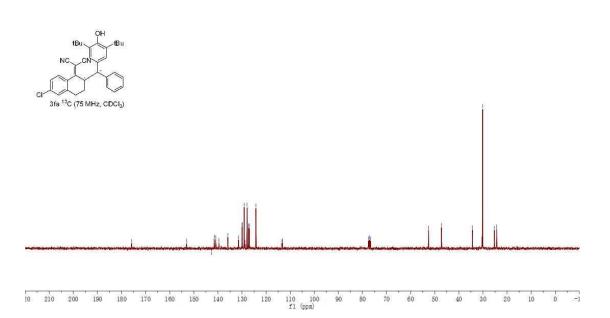


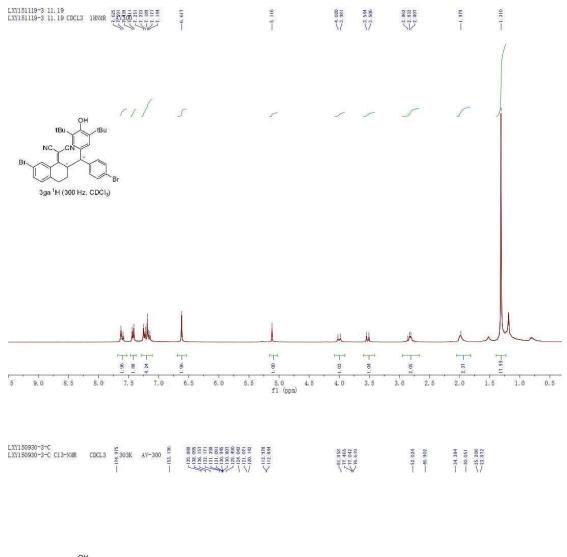


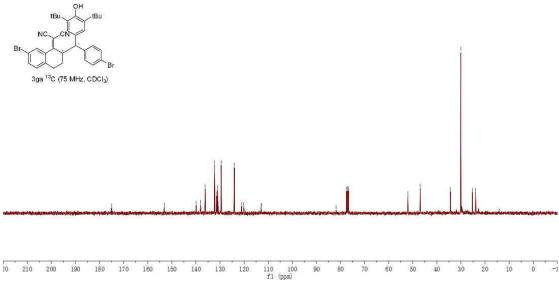


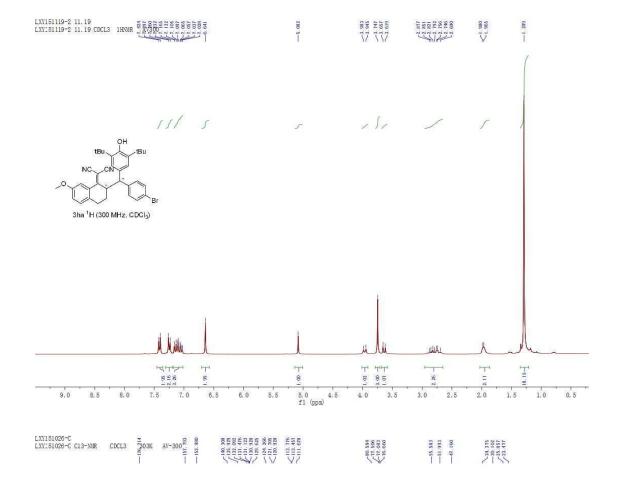


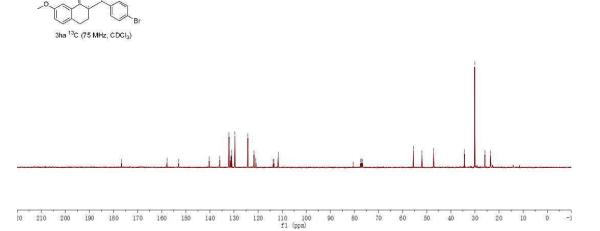


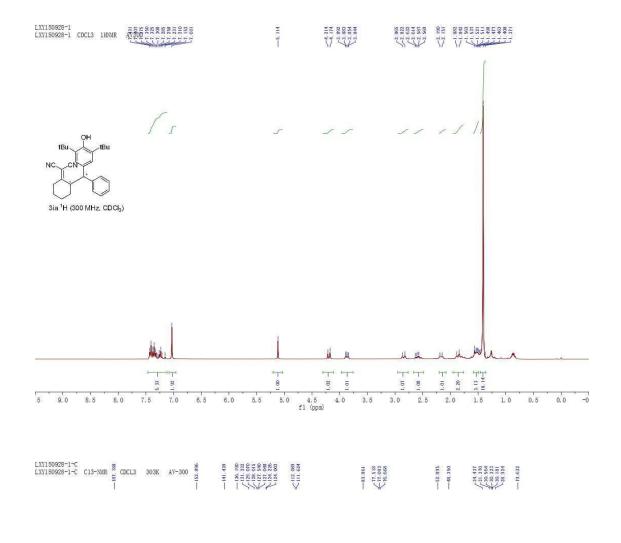


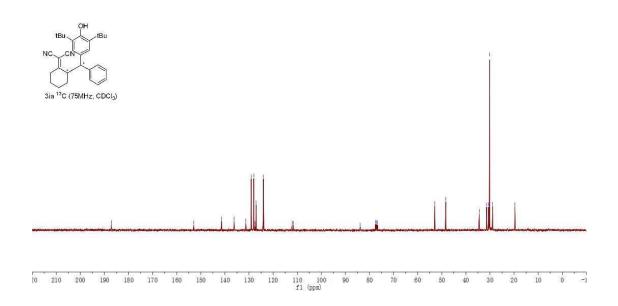


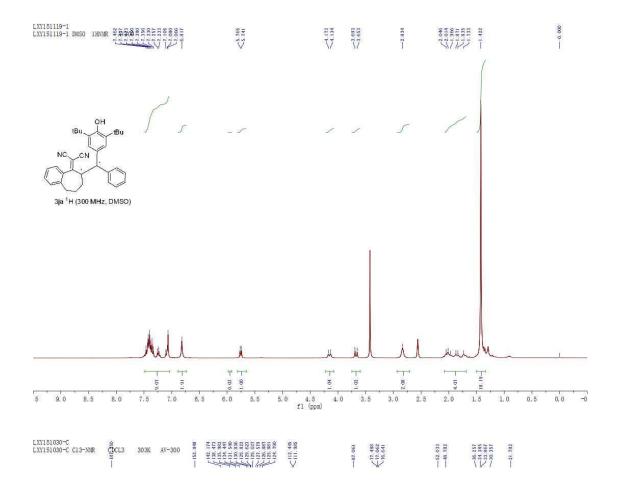


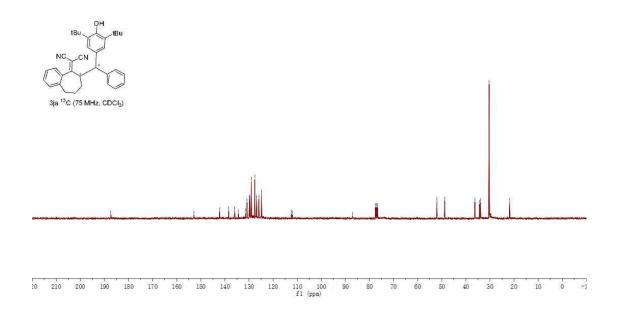


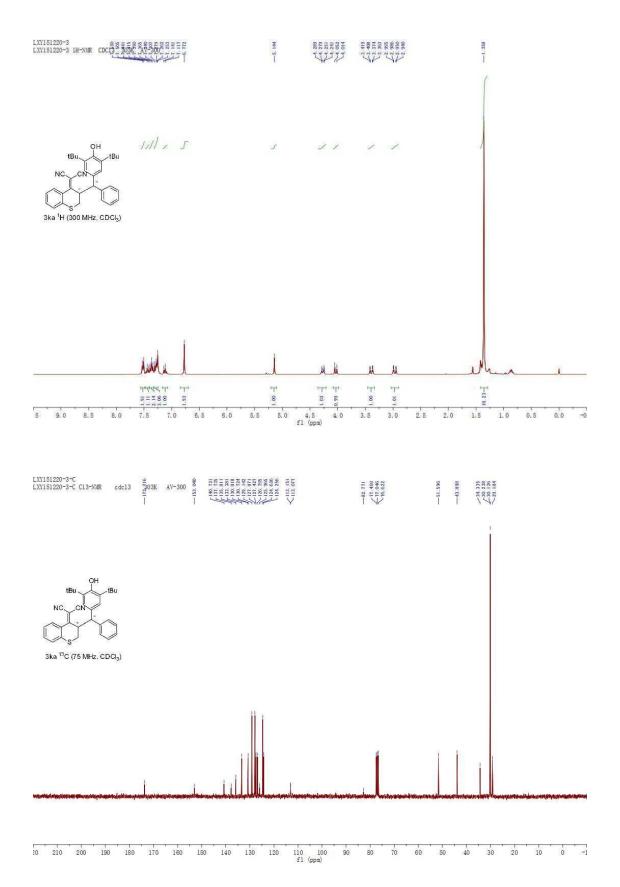


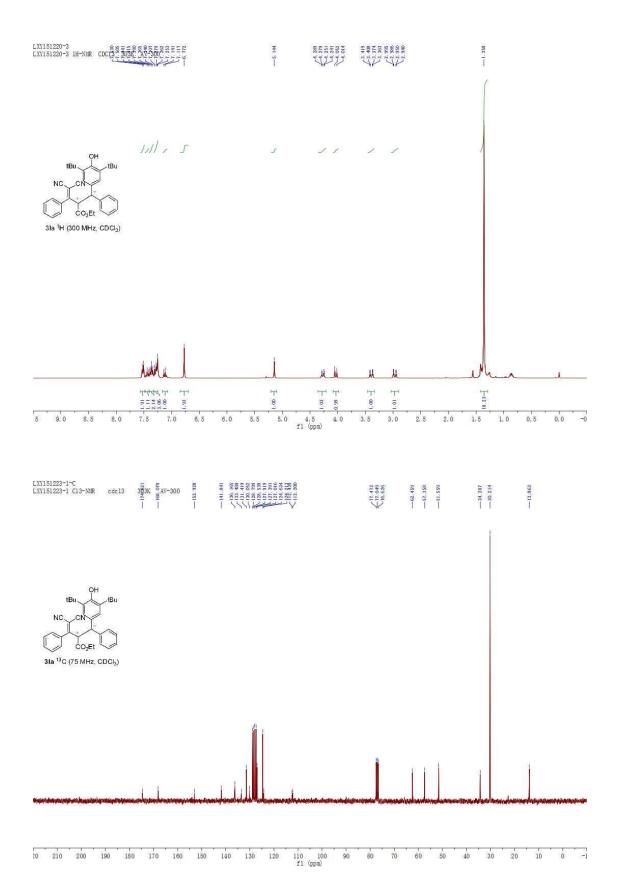




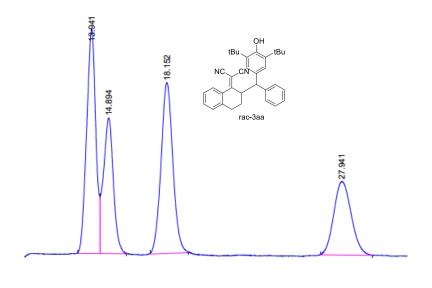




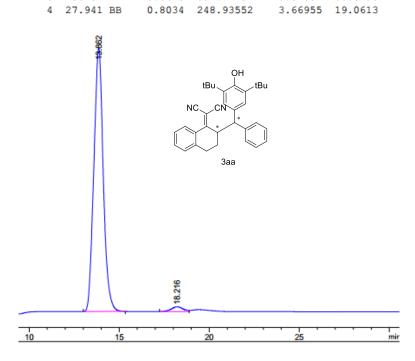




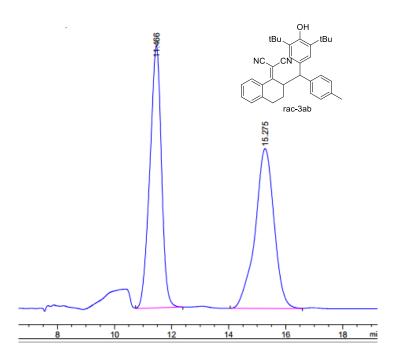
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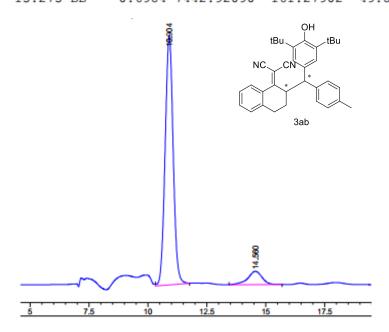
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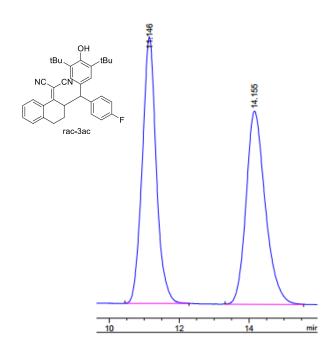
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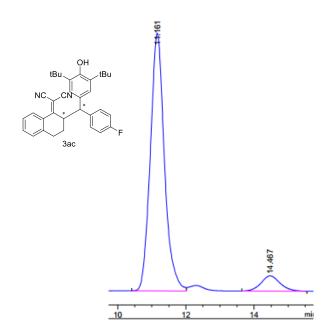
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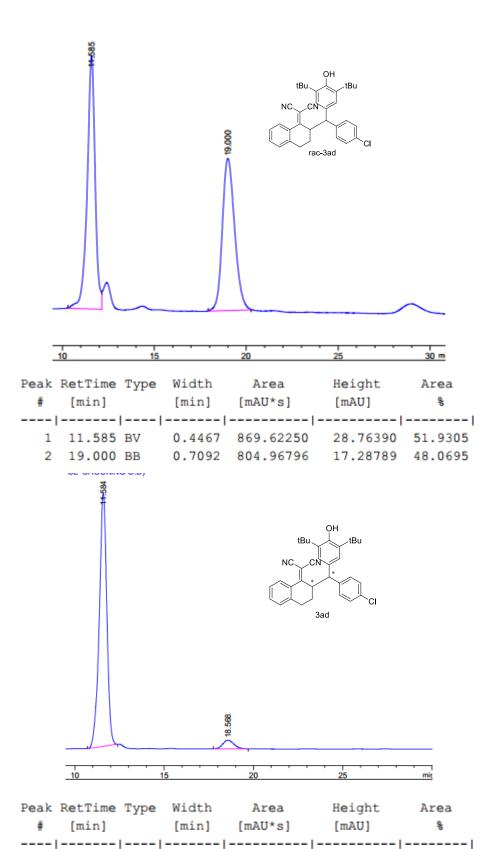
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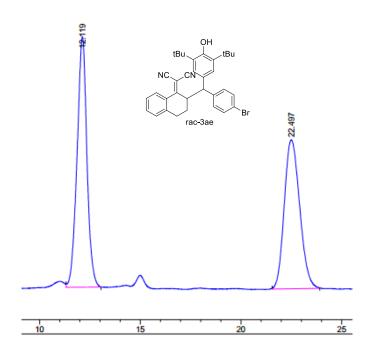


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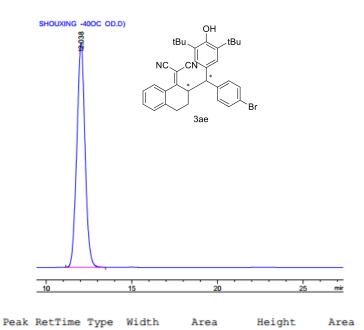


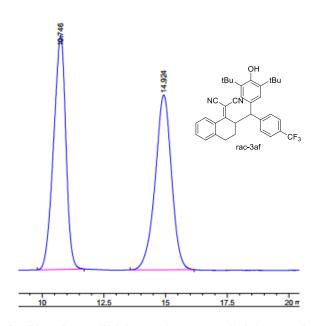
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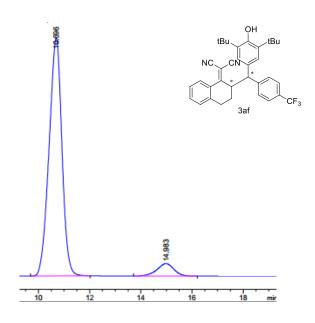


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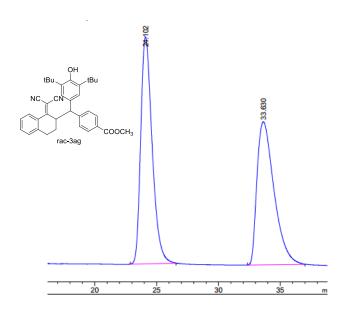




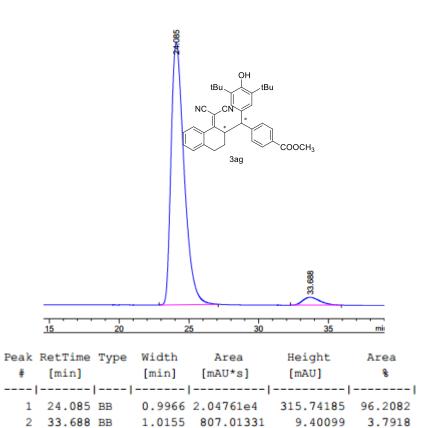
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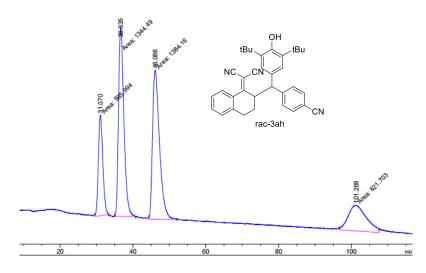


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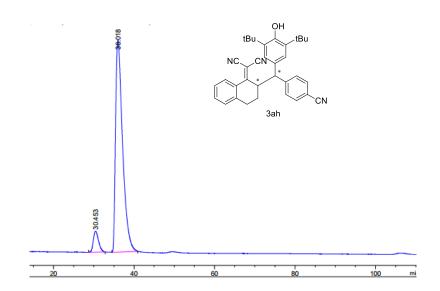


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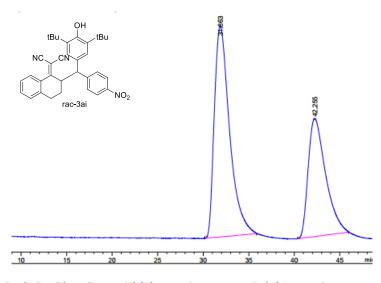




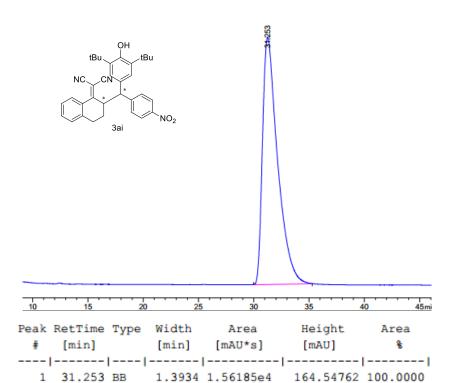
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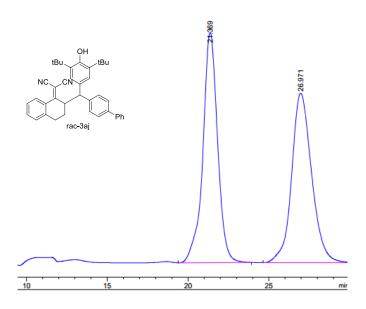


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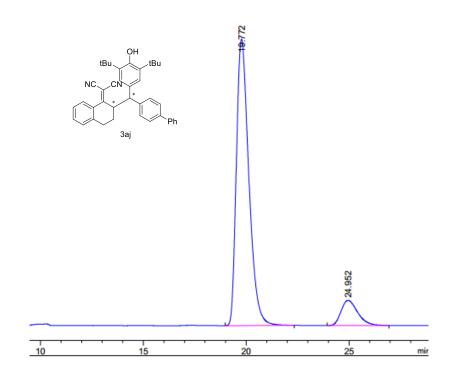


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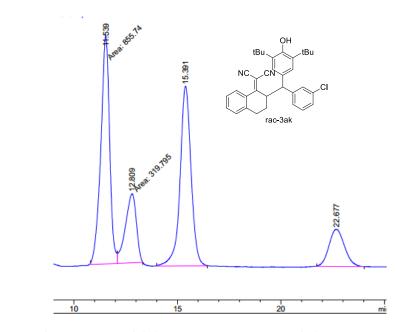




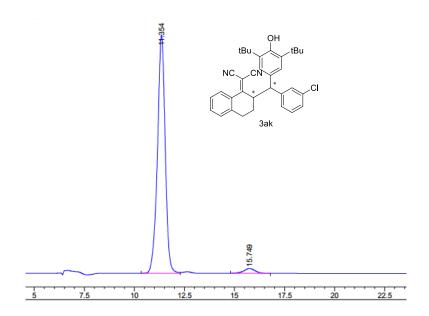
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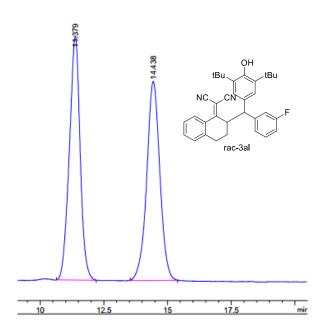
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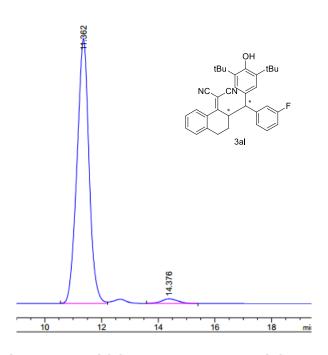
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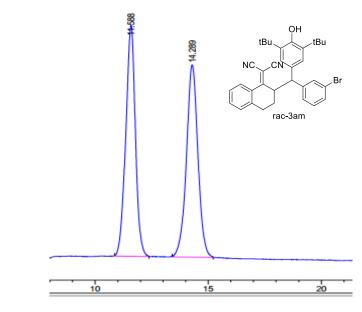
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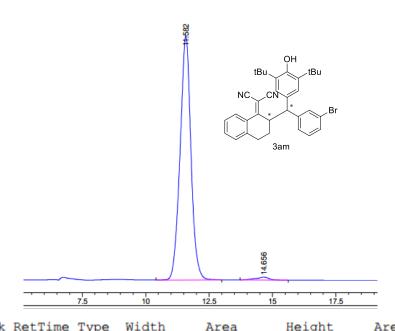
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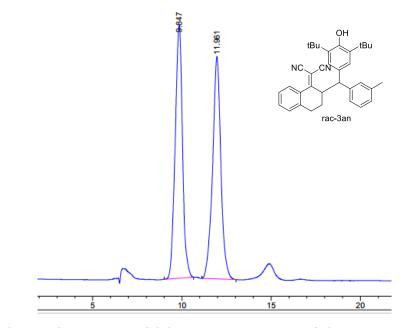
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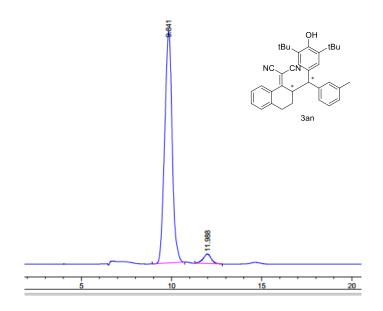
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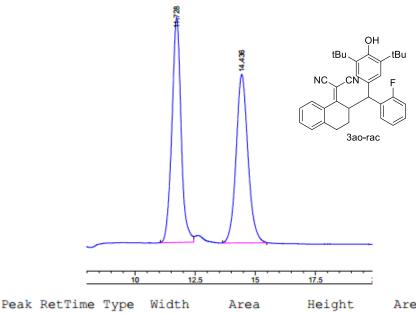
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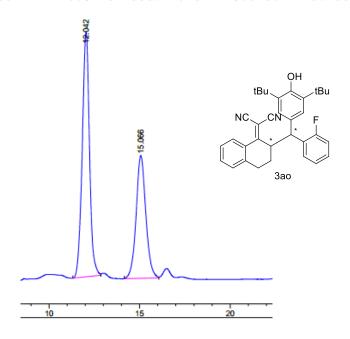
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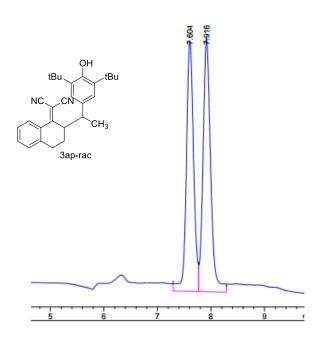
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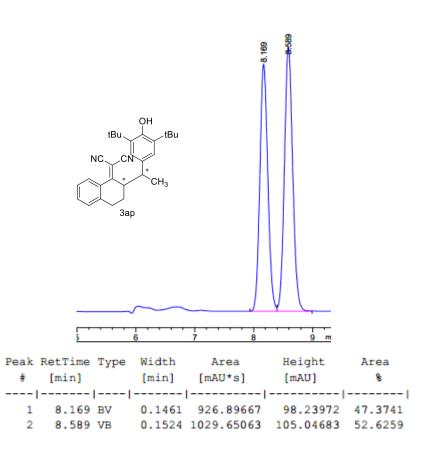
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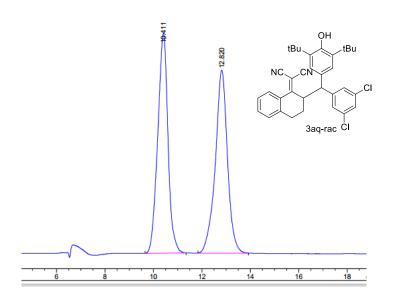


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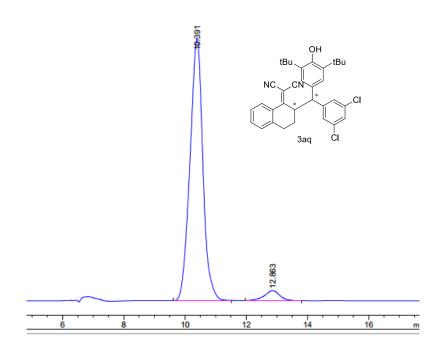


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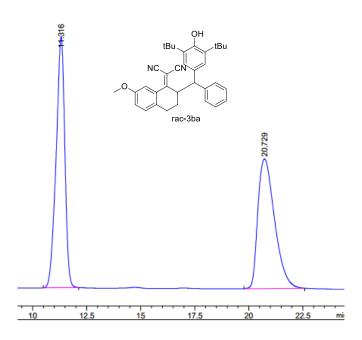




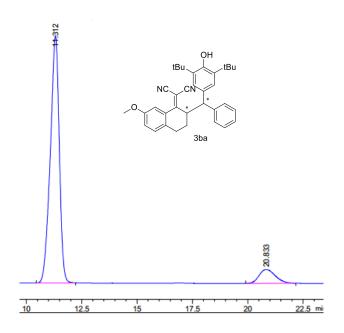
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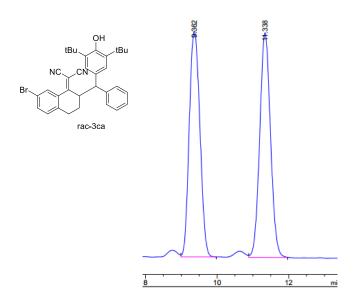
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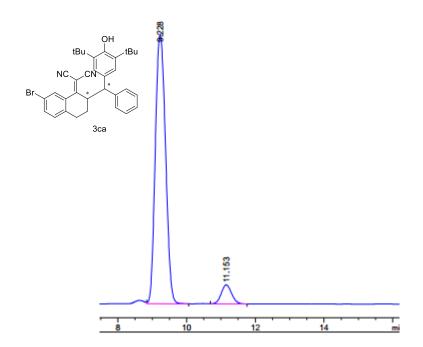
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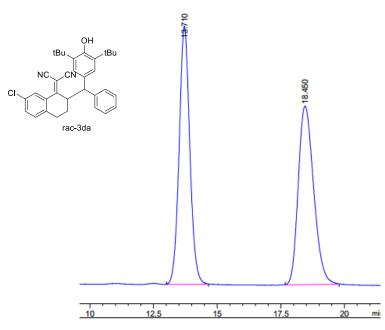
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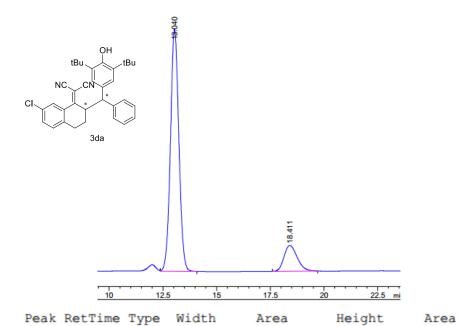
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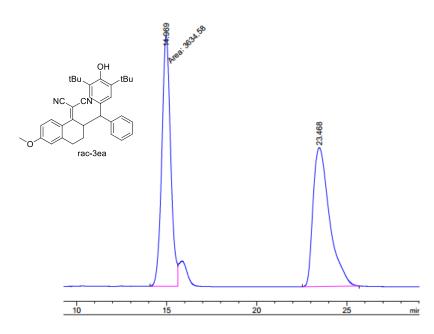
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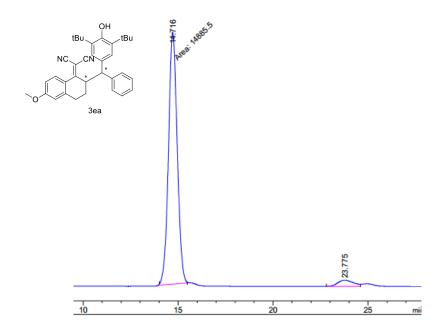
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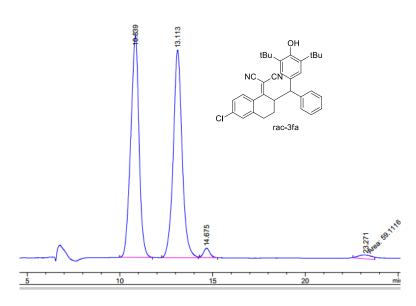
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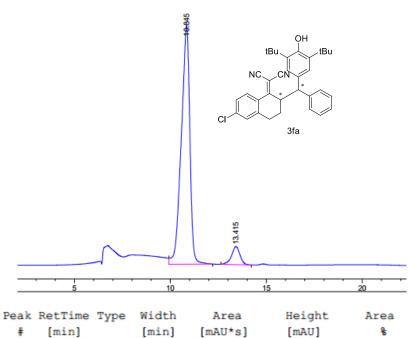
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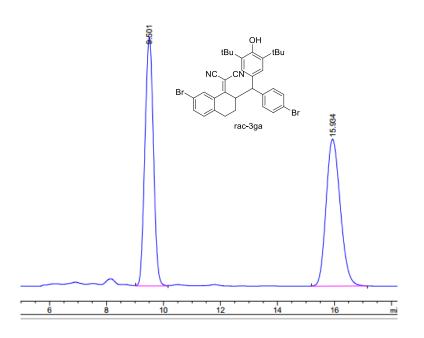


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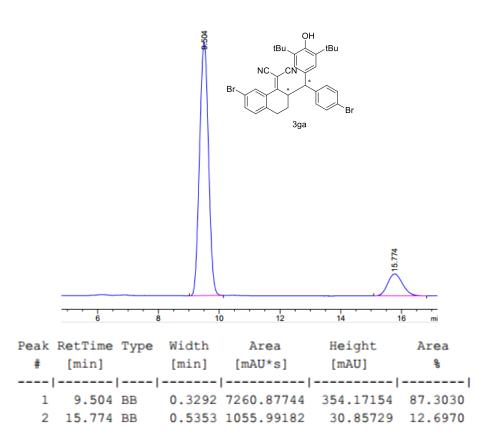


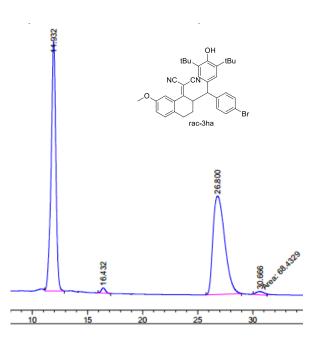
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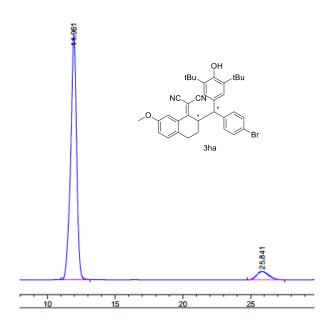


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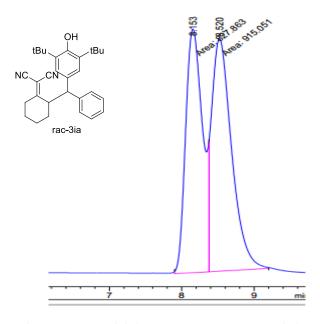




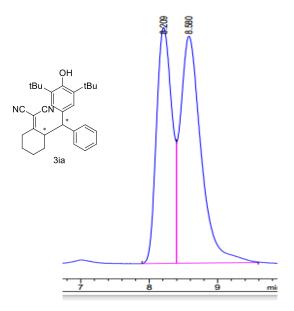
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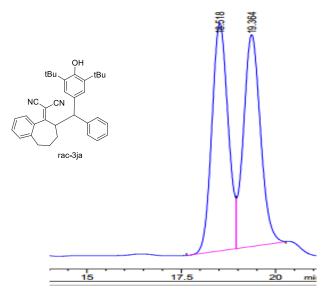
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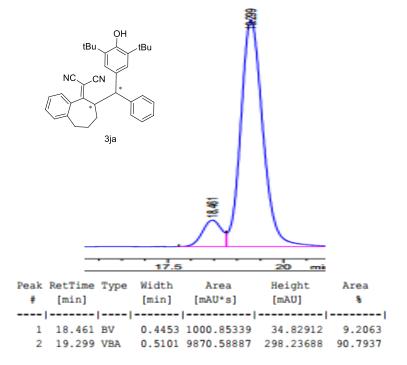
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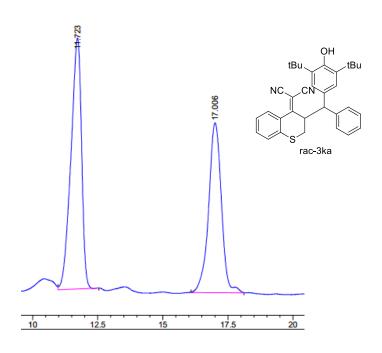


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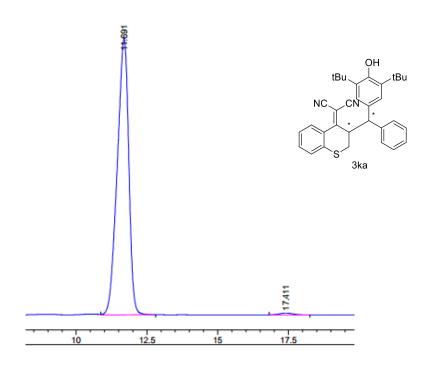


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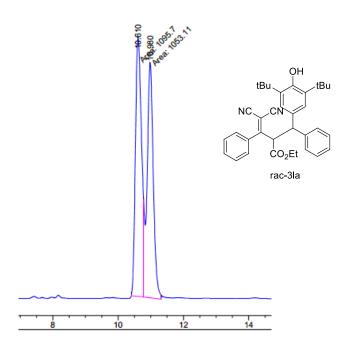




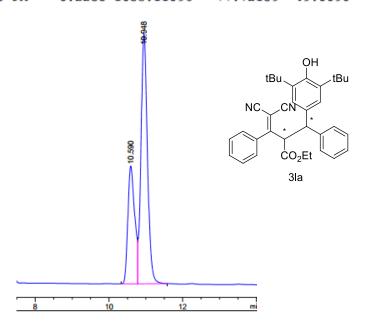
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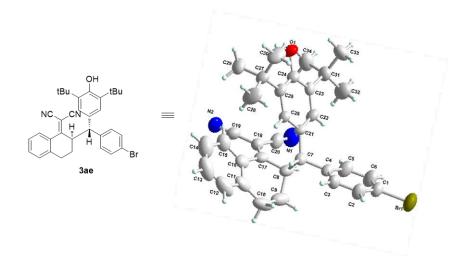


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## 9. X-ray crystal structure of 3ae



Bond precision: C-C = 0.0131 A Wavelength=0.71073

a=10.839(5) b=23.282(10) c=24.360(11) Cell: gamma=90 alpha=90 beta=90

Temperature: 296 K

Calculated Reported Volume 6147(5) 6147(5) Space group P 21 21 21 P 21 21 21 Hall group P 2ac 2ab P 2ac 2ab Moiety formula C34 H35 Br N2 O

C34 H35 Br N2 O Sum formula

C34 H35 Br N2 O Mr 567.54 567.55 Dx,g cm-3 1.227 1.226 Z 1.365 1.364 Mu (mm-1) F000 2368.0 2368.0 F000' 2366.47 h, k, lmax 12,27,28 12,27,28

10822[ 5994] Nref 10820 Tmin, Tmax 0.689,0.741

Correction method= Not given

Tmin'

Data completeness= 1.81/1.00 Theta(max) = 25.005

R(reflections) = 0.0547( 4970) wR2 (reflections) = 0.1408 ( 10820)

s - 0.958 Npar- 701

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