Supporting Information

InCl₃-Catalyzed Alkylative Rearrangement of Propargylic Acetates Using Alkyl Chlorides, Alcohols, and Acetates: Facile Synthesis of α-Alkyl-α,β-Unsaturated Carbonyl Compounds

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General.

New compounds were characterized by ¹H, ¹³C, ¹³C off-resonance, ¹H-¹HCOSY, NOESY, HMQC, HMBC, IR, MS, HRMS, and elemental analysis. ¹H (400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were obtained with TMS as internal standard. IR spectra were recorded as thin film or as solids in KBr pellets on HORIBA FT-720 spectrophotometer. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (MERCK silica gel 60 or Fuji Silysia FL100DX). Bulb-to-bulb distillation (Kugelrohr) was accomplished in Sibata GTO-250RS at the oven temperature and pressure indicated. Yields were determined by ¹H-NMR analysis of crude products using internal standard.

1. Materials.

Commercial solvents and reagents were used as received with the following exception. ClCH₂CH₂Cl was dried over P₂O₅ and distilled under ordinary pressure. Alkyl chlorides $(1c^1, 1d^1, 1j^1)$, propargylic acetates $(2a^4, 2b^5, 2d^6, 2h^7, 2i^8)$, and alkyl acetates $(5^9, 6^{10})$ were prepared by known methods^{11–15} and these compounds were reported. Propargylic acetates (2c, 2e, 2f, 2j, 2k) were prepared and the experimental details are described below (These preparation methods were not optimized.). Other alkyl chlorides (1a, 1b, 1e, 1f, 1g, 1h) and propargyl acetate 2g are commercially available.

(1c) 1-Chloro-1-(4-Chlorophenyl)ethane¹



To a stirred solution of BiCl₃ (1.5 mmol) and 1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethanol (30 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was slowly added Me₃SiCl (36 mmol) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 23 h, and then quenched by water (50 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was washed with brine (100 mL) and then dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (4.58 g, 89%). The analytical data for this compound matched that previously reported. ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

(1d) 1-Chloro-1-(4-tolyl)ethane¹



To a stirred solution of BiCl₃ (1.5 mmol) and 1-(4-tolyl)ethanol (30 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was slowly added Me₃SiCl (36 mmol) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 12 h, and then quenched by water (50 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL x 3). The collected

organic layer was washed with brine (100 mL) and then dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (3.89 g, 85%). The analytical data for this compound matched that previously reported. ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

(1i) Ethyl 3-chloro-3-phenylpropionate

MeO₂C

/Ie CI

То stirred solution of BiCl₃ (1 0.33 methyl mmol. **g**) and а 3-hydroxy-3-(4-methylphenyl)-propionate (20 mmol, 3.7 g) in CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL) was slowly added Me₃SiCl (30 mmol, 3.4 g) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3 h, and then quenched by water (50 mL). The mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (30 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL) and then dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (2.9 g, 71%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1743 (C=O) cm⁻¹; b.p. 150 °C (0.6 mmHg); ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.33 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 3.70 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.18 (dd, J = 16.4, 8.7 Hz, 1H, 2-H^A), 3.02 (dd, J = 16.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H, 2-H^B), 2.34 (s, 3H, *p*-Me); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 170.1 (s, C-1), 138.6 (s, C-*p*), 137.3 (s, C-i), 129.4 (d, C-m), 126.8 (d, C-o), 57.9 (d, C-3), 52.0 (q, OMe), 44.6 (t, C-2), 21.1 (q, p-Me); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 214 (M + 2, 9), 212 (M⁺, 27), 177 (33), 139 (34), 135 (100), 117 (22); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₁H₁₃ClO₂) 212.0604 (M⁺), Found: 212.0606.

(1j) 1,5-Dichloro-1-phenylpentane¹

CI

To a stirred solution of BiCl₃ (0.35 mmol, 0.12 g) and 5-chloro-1-phenylpentan-1-ol (5.5 mmol, 1.1 g) in CH₂Cl₂ (7 mL) was slowly added Me₃SiCl (8.5 mmol, 1.0 g) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3 h, and then quenched by water (50 mL). The mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (30 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL) and then dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm) to give the product (0.53 g, 44%). The analytical data for this compound matched that previously reported (Ravikumar, P. C.; Yao, Lihua; Fleming, Fraser F. *J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, *74*, 7294-7299.). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

(2a) 3-Acetoxy-1-phenyl-1-propyne⁴



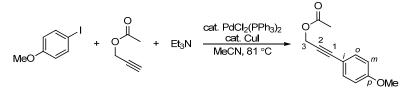
To a stirred solution of phenylacetylene (100 mmol) in THF (80 mL) at -78 °C was slowly added *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexane, 120 mmol). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min before the addition of paraformaldehyde (120 mmol). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min and at room temperature for additional 3 h. After addition of acetic anhydride (105 mmol) at room temperature, the resulting solution was stirred for 10 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aq. (30 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (30 x 3 mL). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (13.0 g, 73%).

(2b) 3-Acetoxy-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-propyne⁵



To a stirred solution of 1-chloro-4-iodobenzene (30 mmol), 2-propynyl acetate (30 mmol), triethylamine (90 mmol), and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.36 mmol) in MeCN (180 mL) was added CuI (0.36 mmol). The mixture was heated to reflux for 25 h and then diluted by EtOAc (30 mL). The resulting solution was filtered by silica gel column. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (4.82 g, 78%). The analytical data for this compound matched that previously reported. ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

(2c) 3-Acetoxy-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-propyne



To a stirred solution of 4-iodoanisole (30 mmol, 7.00 g), 2-propynyl acetate (30 mmol, 2.96 g), and triethylamine (90 mmol, 9.128 g) in MeCN (180 mL) was added $PdCl_2(PPh_3)_2$ (0.36 mmol, 0.256 g) and CuI (0.40 mmol, 0.077 g). The mixture was heated to reflux for 24 h and then diluted by EtOAc (30 mL). The solution was filtered through a pad of silica gel, and the solvent was evaporated. The

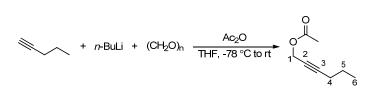
residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (1.848 g, 26%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.; IR: (neat) 2233 (C=C), 1747 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.39 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, o), 6.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, m), 4.89 (s, 2H, 3-H₂), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.12 (s, 3H, OCOMe); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 170.2 (s, OCOMe), 159.9 (s, p), 133.3 (d, o), 114.0 (s, i), 113.8 (d, m), 86.4 (s, C-1), 81.5 (s, C-2), 55.1 (q, OMe), 52.9 (t, C-3), 20.7 (q, OCOMe); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 204 (M⁺, 29), 189 (M⁺ - Me, 41), 145 (M⁺ - OAc, 69), 144 (100), 133 (33); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₂H₁₂O₃) 204.0786 (M⁺) Found: 204.0795

(2d) 3-Acetoxy-1-(2-thienyl)-1-propyne⁶



To a stirred solution of 2-iodothiophene (35 mmol), 2-propynyl acetate (35 mmol), triethylamine (105 mmol), and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.42 mmol) in MeCN (210 mL) was added CuI (0.42 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 9 h and then diluted by EtOAc (30 mL). The resulting solution was filtered by silica gel column. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (4.79 g, 73%). The analytical data for this compound matched that previously reported. ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

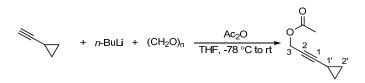
(2e) 1-Acetoxy-2-hexyne



To a stirred solution of 1-pentyne (51 mmol, 3.470 g) in THF (50 mL) at -78 °C was slowly added *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexane, 60 mmol, 37.5 mL). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min before the addition of paraformaldehyde (62 mmol, 1.907 g). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min and at room temperature for additional 2 h. After addition of acetic anhydride (56 mmol, 5.722 g) at room temperature, the resulting solution was stirred for 21 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aq. (30 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (30 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm). Further purification

was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (2.305 g, 32%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.; IR: (neat) 2237 (C=C), 1747 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 4.67 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 2H, 1-H₂), 2.20 (tt, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 2H, 4-H₂), 2.09 (s, 3H, COMe), 1.54 (qt, J = 7.6, 7.2 Hz, 2H, 5-H₂), 0.98 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, 6-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 170.3 (s, COMe), 87.4 (s, C-3), 74.0 (s, C-2), 52.8 (t, C-1), 21.8 (t, C-5), 20.7 (q, COMe), 20.6 (t, C-4), 13.3 (q, C-6); MS: (CI, 200 eV) *m*/*z* 141 (M + 1, 85), 99 (100), 81 (M - OAc, 45); HRMS: (CI, 200 eV) Calculated (C₈H₁₃O₂) 141.0916 (M + 1) Found: 141.0918

(2f) 3-Acetoxy-1-cyclopropyl-1-propyne



To a stirred solution of cyclopropylacetylene (24 mmol, 1.56 g) in THF (20 mL) at 0 °C was slowly added n-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexanes, 20 mmol, 12.5 mL). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min before the addition of paraformaldehyde (23 mmol, 0.72 g). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min and at room temperature for additional 6 h. After addition of acetic anhydride (24 mmol, 2.49 g) at room temperature, the resulting solution was stirred for 2 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aq. (20 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 3 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.994 g, 36%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.; IR: (neat) 2240 (C=C), 1739 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 4.63 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H, 3-H₂), 2.09 (s, COMe), 1.31–1.23 (m, 1H, 1'-H), 0.81–0.771 (m, 2H, 2'-H^A), 0.767–0.69 (m, 2H, 2'-H^B); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 170.3 (s, COMe), 90.7 (s, C-1), 69.2 (s, C-2), 52.8 (t, C-3), 20.8 (q, COMe), 8.2 (t, C-2'), -0.6 (d, C-1'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 138 (M⁺, 0.6), 96 (100), 78 (50), 77 (50), 43 (COMe, 73); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₈H₁₀O₂) 138.0681 (M⁺) Found: 138.0677; Analysis: C₈H₁₀O₂ (138.16) Calcd: C, 69.54; H, 7.30 Found: C, 69.26; H, 7.22

(2h) 3-Acetoxy-1-phenyl-1-butyne⁷

OAc

To a stirred solution of phenylacetylene (50 mmol) in THF (50 mL) at 0 °C was slowly added n-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexane, 60 mmol). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min before the addition of acetaldehyde (60 mmol). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, and

then acetic anhydride (55 mmol) was added. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min and at room temperature for additional 10 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH4Cl aq. (30 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (30 x 3 mL). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 5 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (6.54 g, 69%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

(2i) 3-Acetoxy-1-phenyl-1-pentyne⁸



To a stirred solution of phenylacetylene (120 mmol) in THF (150 mL) at -78 °C was slowly added *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexane, 120 mmol). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min before the addition of propionaldehyde (100 mmol). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, and then acetic anhydride (120 mmol) was added. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min and at room temperature for additional 10 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH4Cl aq. (30 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (30 x 3 mL). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (19.1 g, 54%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.

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(2j) 3-Acetoxy-4-methyl-1-phenyl-1-pentyne

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To a stirred solution of phenylacetylene (125 mmol, 12.8 g) in THF (210 mL) at -78 °C was slowly added *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexane, 120 mmol, 75 mL). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 15 min before the slow addition of isobutyraldehyde (100 mmol, 7.19 g). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h. After addition of acetic anhydride (222 mmol, 22.7 g) at -78 °C, the resulting solution was stirred for 15 min at -78 °C and at room temperature for additional 2 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aq. (50 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (50 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 10 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product as an yellow liquid (6.391 g, 30%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.; IR: (neat) 2229 (C=C), 1739 (C=O)

cm⁻¹: ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.46–7.43 (m, 2H, *o*), 7.32–7.25 (m, 3H, *m* and *p*), 5.46 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 2.15–2.02 (m, 4H, 4-H and COMe), 1.09 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 5-H₃), 1.06 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 4-Me); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 170.1 (s, COMe), 131.9 (d, C-*o*), 128.5 (d, C-*p*), 128.2 (d, C-*m*), 122.4 (s, C-*i*), 85.7 (s, C-1), 85.2 (s, C-2), 69.4 (d, C-3), 32.6 (d, C-4), 21.0 (q, COM*e*), 18.3 (q, C-5), 17.6 (q, 4-Me); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m*/*z* 216 (M⁺, 20), 174 (50), 173 (M⁺ - COM*e* and M⁺ - *i*-Pr, 20), 156 (33), 145 (28), 141 (28), 131 (100), 43 (COM*e*, 47); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₄H₁₆O₂) 216.1150 (M⁺) Found: 216.1143

(2k) 3-Acetoxy-1-ethoxy-1-propyne

To a stirred solution of ethoxyacetylene (40 wt% solution in hexane, 28 mmol, 4.99 g) in THF (20 mL) at 0 °C was slowly added *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexanes, 24 mmol, 15 mL). The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min before the addition of paraformaldehyde (30 mmol, 0.91 g). The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 15 min and at room temperature for additional 5 h. After addition of acetic anhydride (30 mmol, 3.05 g) at room temperature, the resulting solution was stirred for 2 h. The mixture was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aq. (20 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10 cm, diagram 3 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.908 g, 27%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR charts are listed below.; IR: (neat) 2275 (C=C), 1747 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 4.70 (s, 2H, 1-H₂), 4.13 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, OCH₂CH₃), 2.08 (s, 3H, COMe), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃); 170.5 (s, COMe), 94.9 (s, C-3), 74.8 (t, OCH₂CH₃), 52.8 (t, C-1), 33.0 (s, C-2), 20.9 (q, COMe), 14.3 (q, OCH₂CH₃); MS: (CI, 200 eV) *m*/*z* 143 (M + 1, 61), 115 (36), 101 (100), 83 (M - OAc, 51); HRMS: (CI, 200 eV) Calculated (C₇H₁₁O₃) 143.0708 (M + 1) Found: 141.0710

(5) 1-Phenylethyl acetate⁹

Ph^人OAc

To a stirred solution of 1-phenylethanol (50 mmol) and acetic anhydride (75 mmol) in dry Et_2O (10 mL) was added dehydrated pyridine (75 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 6 h, resulting solution was diluted by ethyl acetate (30 mL) and quenched by 2N HCl aq (20 mL) at 0°C. The mixture was washed water (20 mL x 3) and saturated NaHCO₃ aq (20 mL x 1), and then the collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated, and then the residue was purified by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product as a colorless liquid (7.96 g, 97%).

The analytical data of this compound matched that previously reported. ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.

(6) 2-(1-Acetoxyethyl)-5-bromothiophene¹⁰

To a stirred solution of 2-bromo-5-(1-hydroxyethyl)thiophene (20 mmol, 4.0 g) and acetic anhydride (30 mmol, 2.9 g) in dry Et₂O (5 mL) was added dehydrated pyridine (25 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 14 h, resulting solution was diluted by ethyl acetate (30 mL) and quenched by water. The mixture was washed water (20 mL x 3) and saturated NaHCO₃ aq (20 mL x 1), and then the collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated, and then the residue was purified by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product as a colorless liquid (3.4 g, 71%). The analytical data of this compound matched that previously reported. ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.

2. Experimental Procedures.

2.1. Typical Procedure for the Reaction of Alkyl Chloride 1a with Propargylic Acetate 2a (Table 1, entry 1).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2a** (1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1a** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et₂O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.2. Experimental Procedure for the Reaction of Alkyl Chloride 1c with Propargylic Acetate 2a (Table 2, entry 2).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.075 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2a** (1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1c** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was heated to reflux for 3 h and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et_2O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.3. Experimental Procedure for Reactions of Alkyl Chloride 1 with Propargylic Acetate 2a

(Table 2, entries 5, 9, and 10).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.075 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2a** (1 mmol) in $ClCH_2CH_2Cl$ (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was heated to reflux for 3 h and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et_2O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.4. Experimental Procedure for the Reaction of Alkyl Chloride 1i with Propargylic Acetate 2a (Table 2, entry 8).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2a** (1 mmol) in 1,4-dichlorobutane (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1i** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was heated at 150 °C for 3 h and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et₂O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.5. Experimental Procedure for the Reaction of Alkyl Chloride 1b with Propargylic Acetate 2c (Table 3, entry 2).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2c** (1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1b** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred for 5 h at room temperature and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et₂O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.6. Experimental Procedure for Reactions of Alkyl Chloride 1b with Propargylic Acetate 2 (Table 3, entries 4 and 6).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2** (1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1b** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was heated to reflux for 3 h and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et_2O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.7. Experimental Procedure for the Reaction of Alkyl Chloride 1b with Propargylic Acetate 2h (Table 3, entry 7).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2h** (1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added alkyl chloride **1b** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et₂O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.8. Experimental Procedure for Reactions of Alchol 4 or Alkyl Acetate 5 with Propargylic Acetate 2a (Eqs 1 and 2).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.025 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2a** (1 mmol) in $ClCH_2CH_2Cl$ (1 mL) was added alcohol **4** (or alkyl acetate **5**) (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was heated to reflux for 1 h at room temperature and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et_2O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.9. Experimental Procedure for the Reaction of Alkyl Acetate 6 with Propargylic Acetate 2a (Eq. 3).

To a mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2a** (1 mmol) in $ClCH_2CH_2Cl$ (1 mL) was added alkyl acetate **6** (0.5 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was heated to reflux for 1 h and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et_2O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. The detail of further purification was described in Product Data.

2.10. Experimental Procedure of Eq. 4.

A mixture of $InCl_3$ (0.5 mmol) and propargylic acetate **2** (0.5 mmol) in CD_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. And then, it was observed by ¹H NMR in situ that the rearrangement of **2** to the corresponding allenyl acetate **8** did not occur, and **2** was recovered in 91% yield.

3. Product Data.

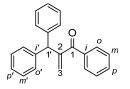
The spectral data of $3aa^{16}$, $3ea^{17}$, $3bk^{18}$ was in excellent agreements with the reported data. The detailed procedure and spectral data for other products are shown below.

(3aa) 1-Phenyl-2-(1-phenylethyl)-2-propen-1-one¹⁶



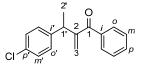
According to a typical procedure, $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol, 0.010 g), 1-chloro-1-phenylethane (0.5 mmol, 0.075 g), and 1-phenyl-3-acetoxy-2-propyne (1 mmol, 0.185 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) to give the product **3aa** (0.088 g, 70%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.

(3ba) 2-Benzhydryl-1-phenylpropen-1-one



According to a typical procedure, InCl₃ (0.06 mmol, 0.013 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.36 mmol, 0.074 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (1.02 mmol, 0.177 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) to give the product as a white solid (0.101 g, 93%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 114–116 °C; IR: (KBr) 1650 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o), 7.51 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, p), 7.42 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, m), 7.32–7.18 (m, 10H, 1'-Ph₂), 5.92 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.71 (s, 1H, 1'-H), 5.53 (s, 1H, 3-H^B); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 196.8 (s, C-1), 151.0 (s, C-2), 141.5 (s, C-*i*'), 137.5 (s, C-*i*), 132.3 (d, C-p), 129.6 (d, C-o), 129.2 (d, C-o'), 128.6 (t, C-3), 128.5 (d, C-m'), 128.2 (d, C-m), 126.6 (d, C-p'), 52.2 (d, C-1'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 298 (M⁺, 100), 297 (58), 192 (28), 115 (20), 105 (PhCO, 51), 77 (C₆H₅, 31); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₂H₁₈O) 298.1358 (M⁺) Found: 298.1357; Analysis: C₂₂H₁₈O (298.38) Calcd: C, 88.56; H, 6.08 Found: C, 88.26; H, 5.99

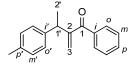
(3ca) 2-(4-Chlorophenylethyl)-1-phenylpropen-1-one



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.2., InCl₃ (0.058 mmol, 0.013 g),

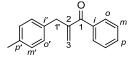
1-chloro-1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethane (0.51 mmol, 0.090 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (1.03 mmol, 0.181 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by recrystallization from hexane/EtOAc to give the product as a white solid (0.04 g, 29%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 88–90 °C; IR: (KBr) 1650 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.67 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 7.49 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, p), 7.38 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 7.25–7.20 (m, 4H, o' and m'), 5.77 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.66 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 4.28 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 1.45 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 2'-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 197.6 (s, C-1), 151.8 (s, C-2), 142.4 (s, C-i'), 137.6 (s, C-i), 132.2 (d, C-p), 132.0 (s, C-p'), 129.4 (d, C-o), 128.9 (d), 128.5 (d), 128.1 (d), 123.9 (t, C-3), 39.9 (d, C-1'), 19.9 (q, C-2'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 272 (M⁺ + 2, 24), 271 (35), 270 (M⁺, 74), 269 (73), 255 (M⁺ - Me, 35), 235 (M⁺ - Cl, 86), 105 (PhCO, 100), 77 (C₆H₅, 49); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₇H₁₅ClO) 270.0811 (M⁺) Found: 270.0809

(3da) 1-Phenyl-2-{1-(4-tolyl)ethyl}-propen-1-one



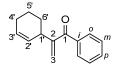
According to a typical procedure, InCl₃ (0.06 mmol, 0.013 g), 1-(4-tolyl)-1-chloroethane (0.48 mmol, 0.074 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (0.99 mmol, 0.172 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product as a pale yellow liquid (0.092 g, 76%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.69 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 7.48 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, p), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 7.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, m), 5.76 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.63 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 4.28 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H₃), 2.29 (s, 1H, p'-Me), 1.48 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, 2'-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 198.0 (s, C-1), 152.5 (s, C-2), 140.7 (s, C-*i*'), 137.8 (s, C-*i*), 135.8 (s, C-*p*'), 132.2 (d, C-*p*), 129.5 (d, C-*m*), 129.1 (d, C-*o*'), 128.0 (d, C-*o*), 127.5 (d, C-*m*'), 123.3 (t, C-3), 40.1 (d, C-1'), 20.9 (q, Me), 20.1 (q, C-2'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m*/z 250 (M⁺, 42), 235 (M⁺ - Me, 100), 105 (PhCO, 71), 77 (C₆H₅, 37); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₈H₁₈O) 250.1358 (M⁺) Found: 250.1357; Analysis: C₁₈H₁₈O (250.33) Calcd: C, 86.36; H, 7.25 Found: C, 86.16; H, 7.36

(3fa) 1-Phenyl-2-(4-tolyl)methylpropen-1-one



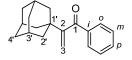
According to an experimental procedure in section 2.3., InCl₃ (0.08 mmol, 0.018 g), 4-methylbenzyl chloride (0.46 mmol, 0.064 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (2.52 mmol, 0.439 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.055 g, 51%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.71 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 7.51 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, p), 7.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 7.14 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o'), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, m'), 7.10 (d, 2H, m'), 5.75 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.66 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 3.76 (s, 2H, 1'-H₂), 2.31 (s, 3H, p'-Me); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 197.7 (s, C-1), 147.8 (s, C-2), 137.7 (s, C-*i*), 135.8 (s, C-p'), 135.5 (s, C-*i'*), 132.1 (d, C-p), 129.5 (d, C-o), 129.2 (d, C-m'), 129.0 (d, C-o'), 128.1 (d, C-m), 126.8 (t, C-3), 37.9 (t, C-1'), 21.0 (q, Me); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 236 (M⁺, 100), 235 (65), 221 (M⁺ - Me, 98), 115 (25), 105 (PhCO and MeC₆CH₄CH₂, 84), 77 (C₆H₅, 66); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₇H₁₆O) 236.1201 (M⁺) Found: 236.1202; Analysis: C₁₇H₁₆O (236.31) Calcd: C, 86.40; H, 6.82 Found: C, 86.23; H, 6.75

(3ga) 2-(2-Cyclohexenyl)-1-phenylpropen-1-one



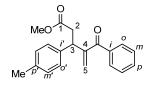
According to a typical procedure, InCl₃ (0.06 mmol, 0.013 g), 3-chlorocyclohexene (0.57 mmol, 0.066 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (0.93 mmol, 0.162 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.033 g, 45%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.76 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 7.54 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, p), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 5.93–5.89 (m, 1H, 3'-H), 5.79 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.63–5.61 (m, 2H, 3-H^B and 2'-H), 3.69 (m, 1H, 1'-H), 2.07–2.03 (m, 2H, 4'-H₂), 1.95–1.87 (m, 1H, 6'-H^A), 1.73–1.58 (m, 2H, 5'-H₂), 1.52–1.44 (m, 1H, 6'-H^B); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 198.5 (s, C-1), 151.5 (s, C-2), 138.1 (s, C-*i*), 132.2 (d, C-*p*), 129.5 (d, C-*o*), 129.3 (d, C-3'), 128.3 (d, C-2'), 128.2 (d, C-*m*), 125.1 (t, C-3), 36.5 (d, C-1'), 28.1 (t, C-6'), 25.1 (t, C-4'), 19.9 (t, C-5'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* 212 (M⁺, 100), 211 (88), 105 (PhCO, 55), 77 (C₆H₅, 45); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₅H₁₆O) 212.1201 (M⁺) Found: 212.1199

(3ha) 2-Adamantyl-1-phenylpropen-1-one



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.4., InCl₃ (0.1 mmol, 0.021 g), adamantyl chloride (1 mmol, 0.166 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (2 mmol, 0.350 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) to give the product as a white solid (0.15 g, 58%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 56–58 °C; IR: (KBr) 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.91 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 7.55 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, p), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 5.52 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.10 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 2.05–1.97 (m, 3H, 3'-H x 3), 1.91–1.81 (m, 6H, 2'-H₂ x 3), 1.76–1.65 (m, 6H, 4'-H₂ x 3); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 200.0 (s, C-1), 157.3 (s, C-2), 138.0 (s, C-*i*), 132.8 (d, C-*p*), 130.0 (d, C-o), 128.2 (d, C-m), 115.6 (t, C-3), 41.2 (t, C-2'), 37.6 (s, C-1'), 36.6 (t, C-4'), 28.5 (d, C-3'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 267 (21), 266 (M⁺, 100), 209 (24), 105 (PhCO, 48), 77 (C₆H₅, 30); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₉H₂₂O) 266.1671 (M⁺) Found: 266.1669; Analysis: C₁₉H₂₂O (266.38) Calcd: C, 85.67; H, 8.32 Found: C, 85.77; H, 8.36

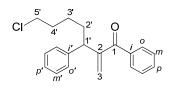
(3ia) Methyl 4-benzoyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-4-pentenoate



The mixture of InCl₃ (0.05 mmol, 0.012 g), methyl 3-chloro-3-(4-methylphenyl)-propionate (0.5 mmol, 0.105 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (2.0 mmol, 0.353 g), 1,2-dichloroethane (1 mL) was heated at 83 °C for 1 h and then quenched with water (10 mL). The solution was extracted with Et₂O (10 mL x 3). The collected organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 90:10, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) to give the product (0.071 g, 47%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below. IR: (neat) 1736 (C=O), 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, *o*), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, *p*), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, *m*), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 5.83 (s, 1H, 5-H^A), 5.67 (s, 1H, 5-H^B), 4.63 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3-H), 3.61 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.01 (dd, *J* = 15.7, 8.2 Hz, 1H, 2-H^A), 2.88 (dd, *J* = 15.7, 8.2 Hz, 1H, 2-H^B), 2.28 (s, 3H, *p*-Me); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃), 197.3 (s, COPh), 172.0 (s, C-1), 149.9 (s), 137.9 (s), 137.6 (s), 136.4 (s), 132.3 (t), 129.6 (t), 129.3 (t), 128.1 (t), 127.7 (t), 124.4 (d, C-5), 51.7 (q, OMe), 42.6 (t, C-2), 39.1 (d, C-3), 21.0 (q, *p*-Me); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m*/*z* 308 (M⁺, 45), 248 (22), 235 (40), 105 (100);

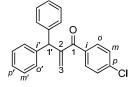
HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated ($C_{20}H_{20}O_3$) 308.1412 (M^+) Found: 308.1413.

(3ja) 2-(5-Chloro-1-phenylpentyl)-1-phenylpropen-1-one



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.1., InCl₃ (0.075 mmol, 0.018 g), 1,5-dichloro-1-phenylpentane (0.75 mmol, 0.157 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (1.5 mmol, 0.266 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 96:4, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) to give the product (0.101 g, 45%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below. IR: (neat) 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.56 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, o), 7.38 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, p), 7.28 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 7.20–7.06 (m, 5H, o', m', and p'), 5.69 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.54 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 4.02 (dd, J = 9.2, 6.3 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 3.38 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, 5'-H₂), 1.89–1.63 (m, 4H, 2'-H₂ and 4'-H₂), 1.42–1.22 (m, 4H, 3'-H₂); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 197.9 (s, C-1), 151.2 (s, C-2), 141.8 (s), 137.7 (s), 132.2 (d), 129.5 (d), 128.5 (d), 128.1 (d), 128.0 (d), 126.5 (d), 123.7 (t), 46.2 (d, C-1'), 44.7 (t, C-5'), 33.0 (t), 32.4 (t), 24.9 (t, C-3'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 314 (M + 2, 24), 313 (29), 312 (M⁺, 73), 311 (45), 221 (99), 105 (100), 91 (22), 77 (39); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₀H₂₁ClO) 312.1281 (M⁺) Found: 312.1280.

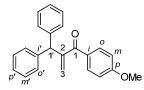
(3bb) 2-Benzhydryl-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-propen-1-one



According to a typical procedure, InCl₃ (0.1 mmol, 0.023 g), benzhydryl chloride (1 mmol, 0.191 g), and 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-propynyl acetate (2 mmol, 0.421 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by recrystallization from hexane/Et₂O to give the product as a white solid (0.276 g, 89%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 116–118 °C; IR: (KBr) 1650 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o), 7.40 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, m), 7.32–7.19 (m, 10H), 5.87 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.67 (s, 1H, 1'-H), 5.52 (s, 1H, 3-H^B); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 195.6 (s, C-1), 150.8 (s, C-2), 141.2 (s, C-*i*'), 138.8 (s, C-*i*), 135.7 (d, C-p), 131.0 (d, C-o), 129.1 (d, C-o'), 128.6 (d, C-m), 128.5 (d, C-m'), 128.4 (t, C-3), 126.7 (d, C-p'), 52.2 (d, C-1'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 334 (M⁺ + 2, 34), 333 (40), 332 (M⁺, 100), 331 (60), 297 (M⁺ - Cl, 35), 193 (M⁺ - ArCO, 35), 192 (28), 167 (Ph₂CH, 20), 165 (M⁺ - Ph₂CH, 33), 141 (36),

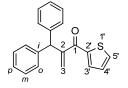
139 (ArCO, 72), 115 (34), 111 (C₆H₄Cl, 28); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₂H₁₇ClO) 332.0968 (M⁺) Found: 332.0966

(3bc) 2-Benzhydryl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propen-1-one



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.5., InCl₃ (0.06 mmol, 0.012 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.44 mmol, 0.090 g), and 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-propynyl acetate (1.00 mmol, 0.204 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 90:10, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.083 g, 57%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (KBr) 1639 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.85 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H, o), 7.31–7.18 (m, Ph x 2), 6.91 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H, m), 5.84 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.70 (s, 1H, 1'-H), 5.43 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 3.84 (s, OMe); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 195.5 (s, C-1), 163.1 (s, C-p), 151.0 (s, C-2), 141.5 (s, C-i'), 132.0 (d, C-o), 129.9 (d, C-i), 129.2 (d, C-o'), 128.4 (d, C-m'), 126.7 (t, C-3), 126.5 (d, C-1'), 113.4 (d, C-m), .55.4 (q, OMe), 52.5 (d, C-1'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 328 (M⁺, 100), 297 (M⁺ - OMe, 64), 165 (24), 135 (ArCO, 94); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₃H₂₀O₂) 328.1463 (M⁺) Found: 328.1465; Analysis: C₂₃H₂₀O₂ (328.40) Calcd: C, 84.12; H, 6.14 Found: C, 83.90; H, 6.05

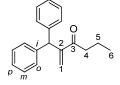
(3bd) 2-Benzhydryl-1-(2-thienyl)-propen-1-one



According to a typical procedure, InCl₃ (0.05 mmol, 0.011 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.46 mmol, 0.094 g), and 3-(2-thienyl)-2-propynyl acetate (1.02 mmol, 0.184 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by recrystallization from hexane/Et₂O to give the product as a white solid (0.061 g, 43%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 130–132 °C; IR: (KBr) 1635 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.76–7.74 (m, 1H, 3'-H), 7.64–7.63 (m, 1H, 5'-H), 7.31–7.19 (m, 10H, Ph rings), 7.13–7.11 (m, 1H, 4'), 6.11 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.67 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 5.39 (s, 1H, 3-H^B); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 188.5 (s, C-1), 151.3 (s, C-2), 143.5 (s, C-2'), 141.2 (C-*i*), 134.0 (d, C-5'), 133.7 (d, C-3'), 129.2 (d, C-*o*), 128.5 (d, C-*m*), 127.8 (d,

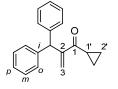
C-4'), 126.6 (d, C-*p*), 126.1 (t, C-3), 52.6 (d, Ph₂CH); MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 305 (23), 304 (M⁺, 100), 192 (22), 111 (C₄H₄SCO, 40); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₀H₁₆OS) 304.0922 (M⁺) Found: 304.0921

(3be) 2-Benzhydryl-1-hexen-3-one



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.6., $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol, 0.011 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.58 mmol, 0.117 g), and 1-acetoxy-2-hexyne (1.12 mmol, 0.157 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) to give the product (0.033 g, 24%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1681 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H, *m*), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, *p*), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H, *o*), 6.28 (s, 1H, 1-H^A), 5.54 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 5.39 (s, 1H, 1-H^B), 2.68 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, 4-H₂), 1.59 (sext, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, 5-H₂), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, 6-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 201.1 (s, C-3), 151.9 (s, C-2), 142.0 (s, C-*i*), 129.0 (d, C-*o*), 128.4 (d, C-*m*), 126.5 (t, C-1), 126.4 (d, C-*p*), 51.0 (d, Ph₂CH), 40.2 (t, C-4), 17.8 (t, C-5), 13.7 (q, C-6); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m*/*z* 264 (M⁺, 100), 263 (64), 221 (M⁺ - C₃H₇, 76), 193 (M⁺ - C₃H₇CO, 21), 192 (27), 167 (Ph₂CH, 23), 165 (27), 115 (35); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₉H₂₀O) 264.1514 (M⁺) Found: 264.1515

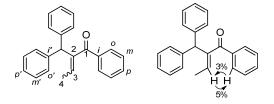
(3bf) 2-Benzhydryl-1-cyclopropylpropen-1-one



According to a typical procedure, InCl₃ (0.05 mmol, 0.010 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.41 mmol, 0.082 g), and 3-cyclopropyl-2-propynyl acetate (0.93 mmol, 0.129 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product as a white solid (0.085 g, 80%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 75–77 °C; IR: (KBr) 1654 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.30–7.25 (m, 4H, *m*), 7.22–7.18 (m, 2H, *p*), 7.14–7.12 (m, 4H, *o*), 6.41 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.54 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 2.41 (tt, *J* = 8.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 0.99 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 4.8, 3.2 Hz, 2H, 2'-H^A), 0.86 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 3.2 Hz, 2H, 2'-H^B); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 201.1 (s, C-1), 152.6 (s, C-2), 142.0 (s, C-*i*), 129.0 (d, C-*m*), 128.3 (d,

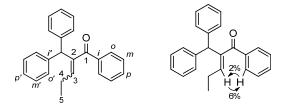
C-*o*), 126.4 (s, C-*p*), 126.2 (t, C-3), 51.4 (d, Ph₂CH), 17.2 (d, C-1'), 11.2 (t, C-2'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m*/*z* 262 (M⁺, 100), 261 (59), 219 (22), 192 (31), 191 (24), 167 (Ph₂CH, 32), 165 (46), 152 (20), 115 (48), 91 (32), 69 (*c*-PrCO, 31); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₉H₁₈O) 262.1358 (M⁺) Found: 262.1357

(3bh) 2-Benzhydryl-1-phenyl-2-buten-1-one (E/Z mixture)



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.7., InCl₃ (0.1 mmol, 0.023 g), benzhydryl chloride (1 mmol, 0.201 g), and 1-methyl-3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (2 mmol, 0.376 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm) and GPC to give the product (0.124 g, 40%, E/Z = 78:22). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1650 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) Z-isomer: 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o), 7.53-7.36 (m, 3H, m and p), 7.31-7.17 (m, 10H, o', m', and p'), 5.57 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 5.26 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 1.57 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, 4-H₃); E-isomer: 7.53 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o), 7.53–7.36 (m, 3H, m and p), 7.31–7.17 (m, 10H, o', m', and p'), 6.48 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 5.74 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 1.67 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, 4-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 199.2 (s), 198.0 (s), 143.8 (s), 143.4 (s), 142.0 (s), 141.9 (s), 141.4 (d), 138.9 (s), 137.4 (s), 132.9 (d), 131.6 (d), 130.9 (d), 129.5 (d), 129.4 (d), 129.2 (d), 129.1 (d), 128.5 (d), 128.3 (d), 128.2 (d), 128.0 (d), 126.6 (d), 126.2 (d), 55.2 (d), 49.7 (d), 15.9 (q), 15.2 (q); E-isomer MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 313 (24), 312 (M⁺, 100), 311 (44), 206 (27), 165 (21), 105 (PhCO, 49), 77 (C₆H₅, 49); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₃H₂₀O) 312.1514 (M⁺) Found: 312.1502; Z-isomer MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 313 (26), 312 (M⁺, 100), 311 (47), 206 (26), 105 (PhCO, 55), 77 (C₆H₅, 26); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₃H₂₀O) 312.1514 (M⁺) Found: 312.1513

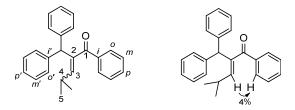
(3bi) 2-Benzhydryl-1-phenyl-2-penten-1-one (E/Z mixture)



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.8., InCl₃ (0.05 mmol, 0.011 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.43 mmol, 0.0873 g), and 1-ethyl-3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (2.36 mmol, 0.4733 g)

gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.059 g, 43%, E/Z = 89:11). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1650 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR; (400 MHz, CDCl₃) Z-isomer: 7.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, o), 7.52–7.46 (m, 1H, p), 7.43–7.36 (m, 2H, m), 7.30–7.17 (m, 10H, o', m', and p'), 5.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 5.23 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 1.93 (quint, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, 4-H₂), 0.87 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, 5-H₃); *E*-isomer: 7.68 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 6.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 5.73 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 2.10 (quint, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, 4-H₂), 0.83 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, 5-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 199.2 (s), 198.2 (s), 148.6 (s), 142.1 (s), 141.9 (s), 138.9 (s), 137.8 (d), 137.5 (s), 132.9 (d), 131.7 (d), 129.6 (d), 129.5 (d), 129.4 (d), 129.13 (d), 129.07 (d), 128.5 (d), 128.3 (d), 128.2 (d), 128.0 (d), 126.6 (d), 126.2 (d), 55.0 (d), 49.9 (d), 23.4 (t), 22.8 (t), 13.4 (q), 12.8 (q); *E*-isomer MS: $(EI, 70 \text{ eV}) m/z 327 (24), 326 (M^+, 100), 325 (36), 297 (M^+ - Et, 52), 219 (18), 167 (Ph_2CH, 29), 105$ (PhCO, 58), 77 (C_6H_5 , 20); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated ($C_{24}H_{22}O$) 326.1671 (M^+) Found: 326.1670; Z-isomer MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 327 (25), 326 (M⁺, 100), 297 (53), 219 (21), 167 (Ph₂CH, 21), 105 (PhCO, 60), 77 (C₆H₅, 22); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₄H₂₂O) 326.1671 (M⁺) Found: 326.1676

(3bj) 2-Benzhydryl-4-methyl-1-phenyl-2-penten-1-one (E/Z mixture)



According to an experimental procedure in section 2.8., InCl₃ (0.05 mmol, 0.012 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.47 mmol, 0.0953 g), and 1-isopropyl-3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (2.50 mmol, 0.5402 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.019 g, 12%, *E/Z* = 74:26). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; IR: (neat) 1654 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *Z*-isomer: 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, *o*), 7.55–7.38 (m, 3H, *m* and *p*), 7.30–7.10 (m, 10H, *o'*, *m'*, and *p'*), 5.28 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 3-H), 5.19 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 2.37–2.28 (m, 1H, 4-H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H, 5-H₃ and 4-Me); *E*-isomer: 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, *o*), 7.55–7.38 (m, 3H, *m* and *p*), 7.30–7.10 (m, 10H, *o'*, *m'*, and *p'*), 6.10 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 3-H), 5.74 (s, 1H, Ph₂CH), 2.73–2.64 (m, 1H, 4-H), 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H, 5-H₃ and 4-Me); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 199.3 (s), 198.3 (s), 153.2 (d), 142.7 (d), 142.3 (s), 141.3 (s), 140.1 (s), 139.5 (s), 138.8 (s), 137.4 (s), 132.9 (d), 131.7 (d), 129.7 (d), 129.4 (d), 129.1 (d), 128.6 (d), 128.4 (d), 128.3 (d), 128.2 (d), 128.0 (d), 126.5 (d), 126.2 (d), 54.9 (d), 50.1 (d),

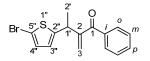
29.0 (d), 28.4 (d), 22.6 (q), 21.6 (q); Z-isomer MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 341 (28), 340 (M⁺, 100), 298 (21), 297 (M⁺ - *i*-Pr, 70), 167 (Ph₂CH, 51), 165 (23), 105 (PhCO, 78), 77 (C₆H₅, 24); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₅H₂₄O) 340.1827 (M⁺) Found: 340.1819; *E*-isomer MS: (EI, 70 eV) m/z 341 (28), 340 (M⁺, 100), 297 (M⁺ - *i*-Pr, 75), 167 (Ph₂CH, 28), 105 (PhCO, 82), 77 (C₆H₅, 24); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₂₅H₂₄O) 340.1827 (M⁺) Found: 340.1827

(3bk) Ethyl 2-(1,1-diphenylethyl)-2-propenate¹⁸



According to a typical procedure, $InCl_3$ (0.05 mmol, 0.011 g), benzhydryl chloride (0.5 mmol, 0.100 g), and 3-acetoxy-1-ethoxy-1-propyne (1 mmol, 0.142 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product (0.068 g, 51%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.

(7) 2-{1-(5-Bromo-2-thienyl)ethyl}-1-phenylpropen-1-one

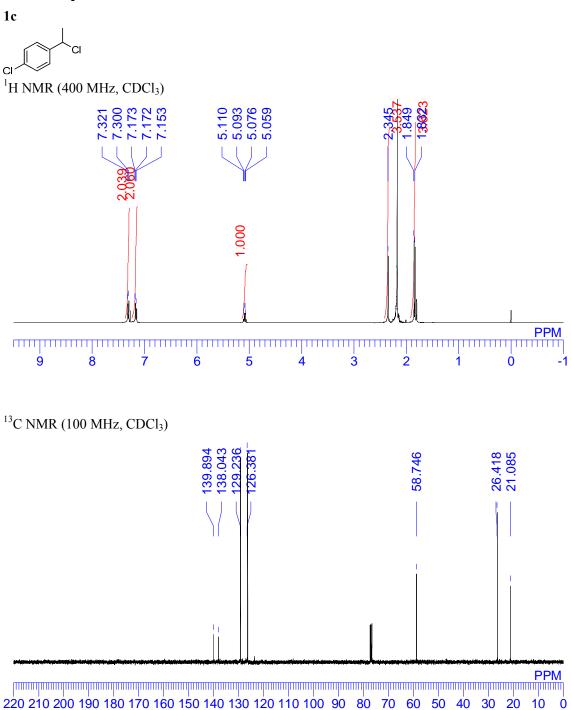


According to an experimental procedure in section 2.9., InCl₃ (0.06 mmol, 0.013 g), 1-acetoxyethyl-5-bromothiophene (0.50 mmol, 0.124 g), and 3-phenyl-2-propynyl acetate (1.02 mmol, 0.177 g) gave the crude product. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 95:5, column length 10.5 cm, diagram 2.8 cm). Further purification was performed by distillation under reduced pressure to give the product as a white solid (0.045 g, 28%). ¹H and ¹³C NMR chart are listed below.; mp: 130–132 °C; IR: (KBr) 1658 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.73 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, o), 7.54 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, p), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, m), 6.85 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H, 4"-H), 6.61 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H, 3"-H), 5.86 (s, 1H, 3-H^A), 5.70 (s, 1H, 3-H^B), 4.51 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 1.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, 2'-H₃); ¹³C NMR: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 197.2 (s, C-1), 151.0 (s, C-2), 149.5 (s, C-5"), 137.5 (s, C-*i*), 132.3 (d, C-*p*), 129.6 (d, C-*o*), 129.5 (d, C-4"), 128.2 (d, C-*m*), 124.8 (t, C-3), 124.7 (d, C-3"), 109.8 (s, C-2"), 36.3 (d, C-1'), 20.9 (q, C-2'); MS: (EI, 70 eV) *m*/*z* 322 (21), 321 (M⁺, 13), 320 (20), 241 (100), 105 (PhCO, 77), 77 (C₆H₅, 53); HRMS: (EI, 70 eV) Calculated (C₁₅H₁₃BrOS) 319.9870 (M⁺) Found: 319.9861; Analysis: C₁₅H₁₃BrOS (321.23) Calcd: C, 56.08; H, 4.08; Br, 24.87 Found: C, 56.28; H, 4.10; Br, 24.67.

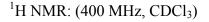
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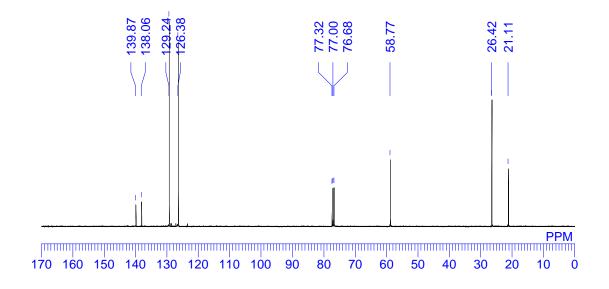
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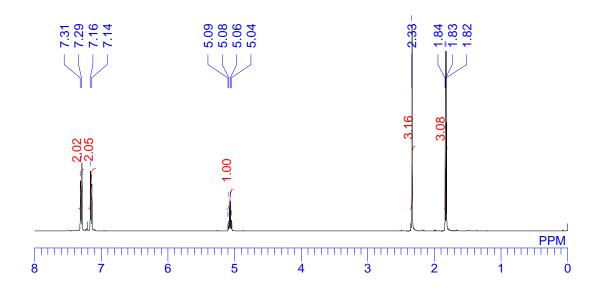


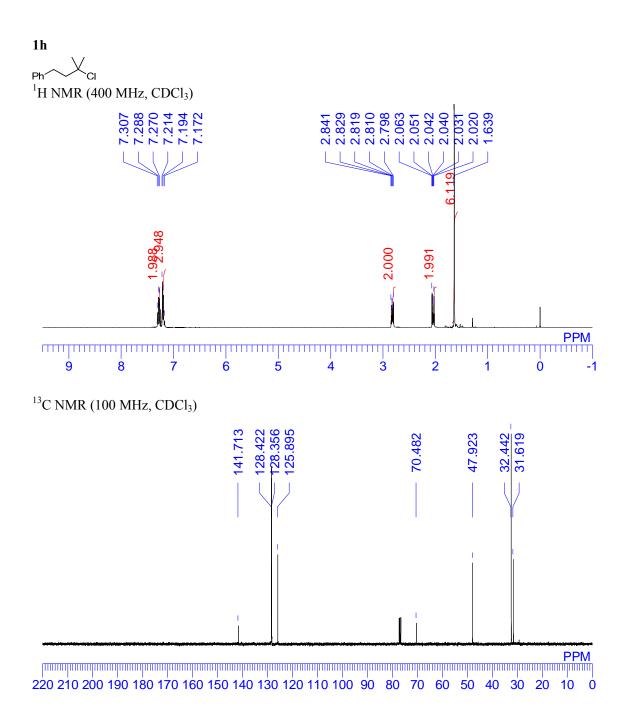






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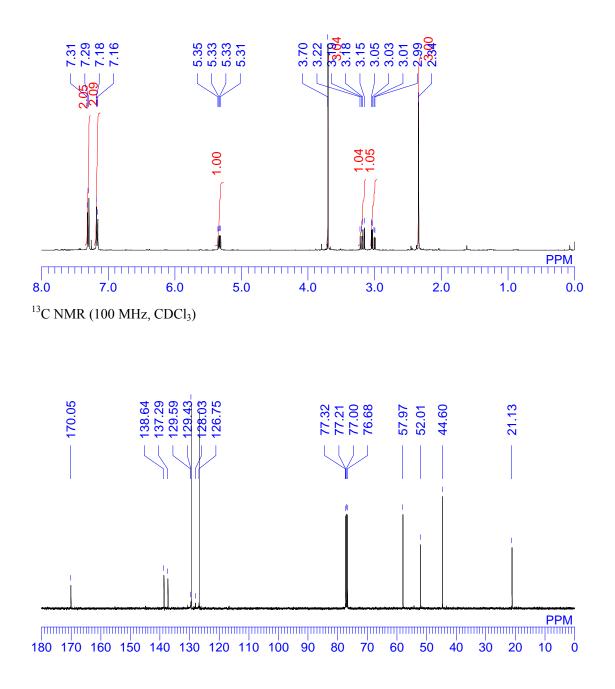


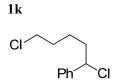


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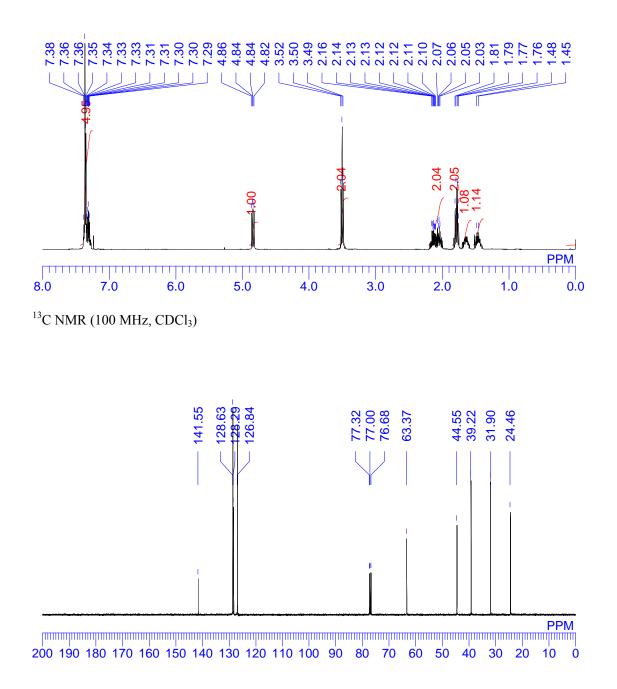
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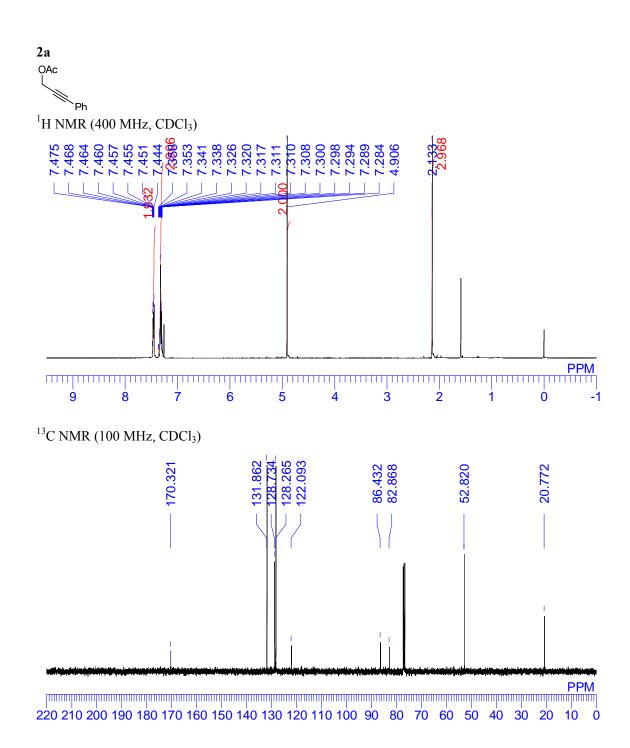
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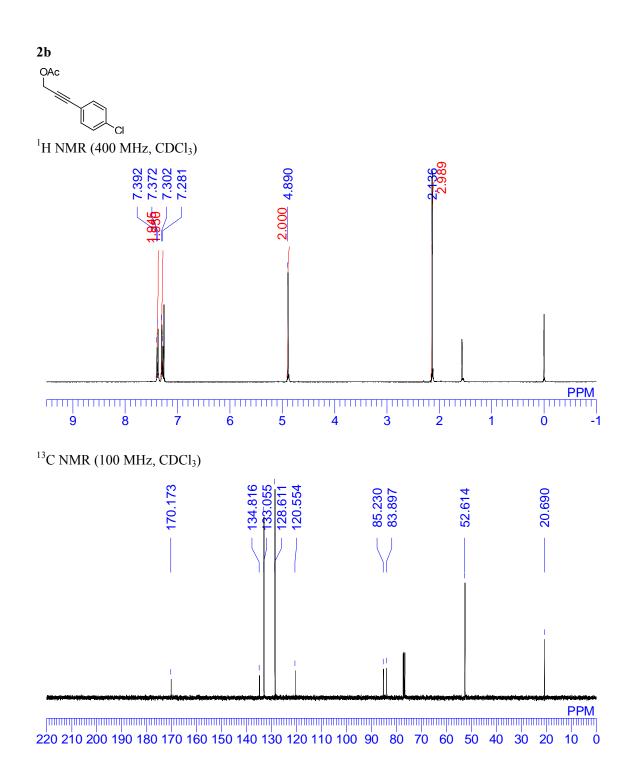


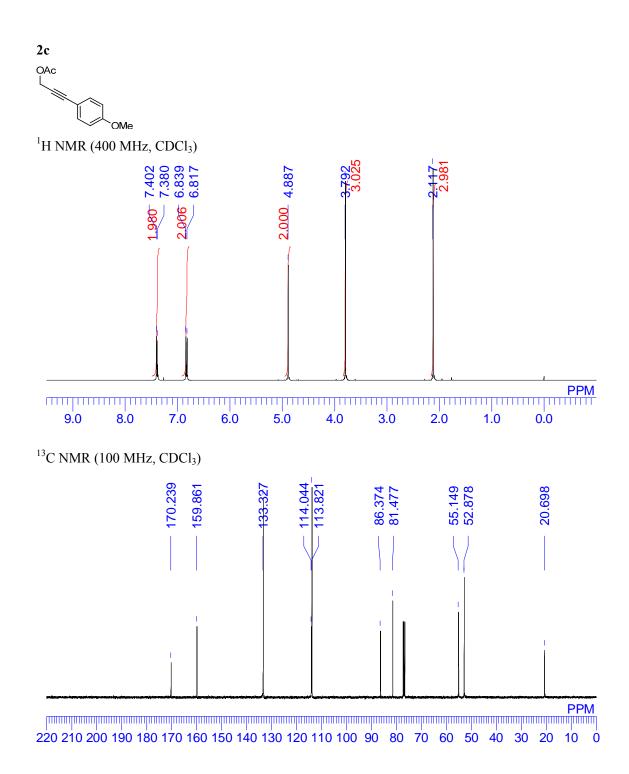


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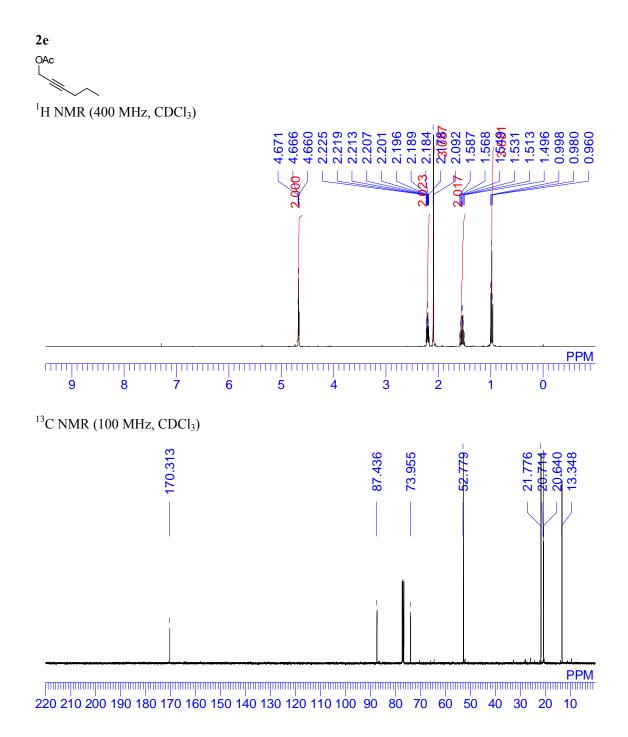






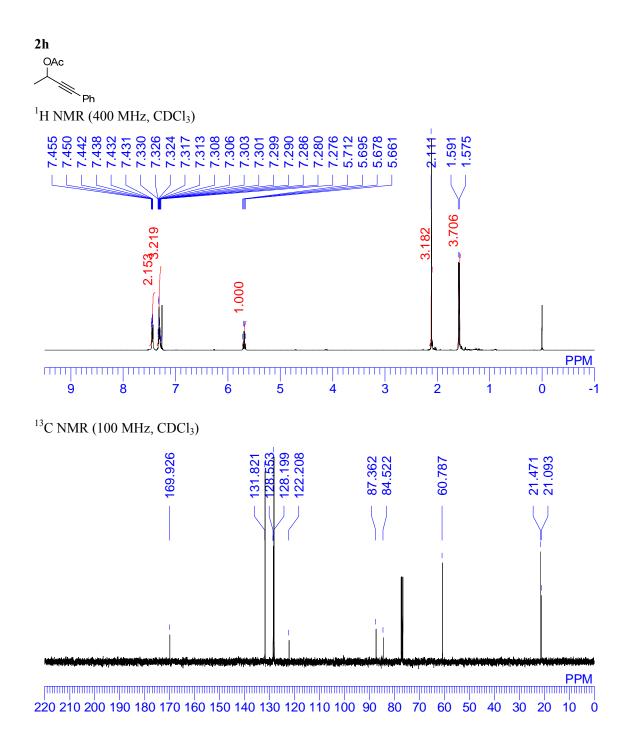


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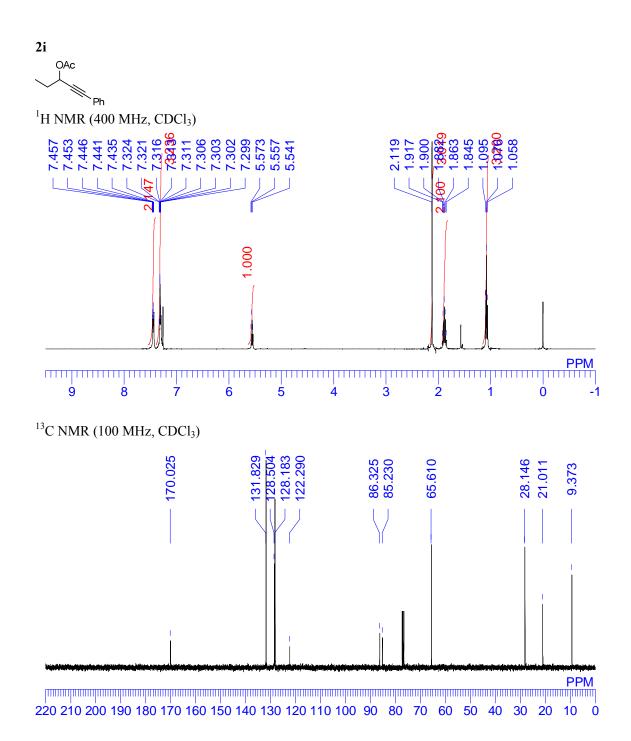


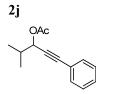


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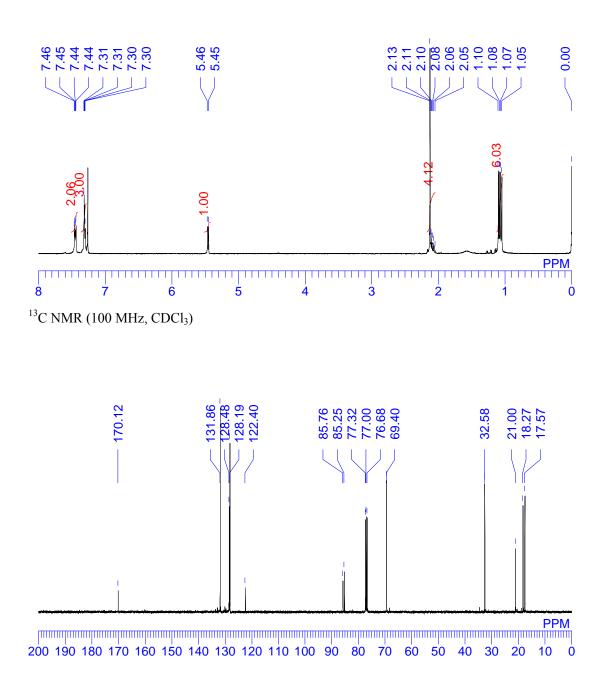


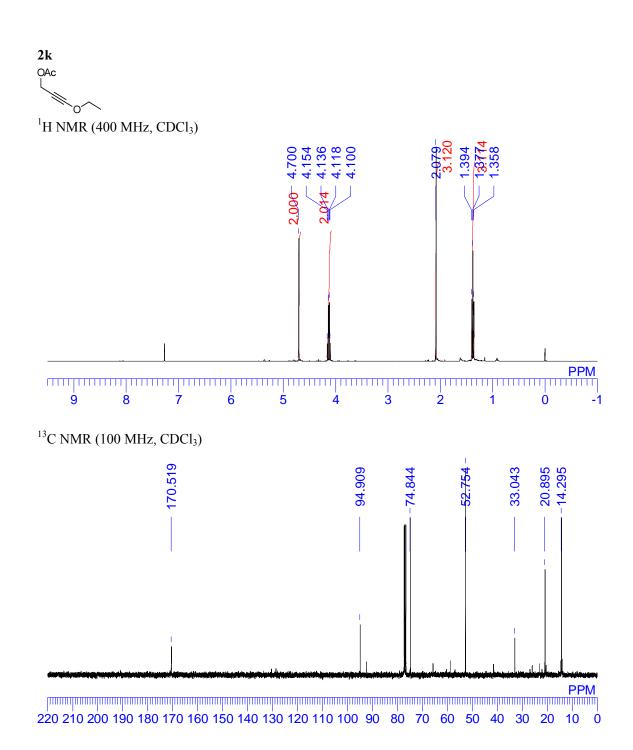
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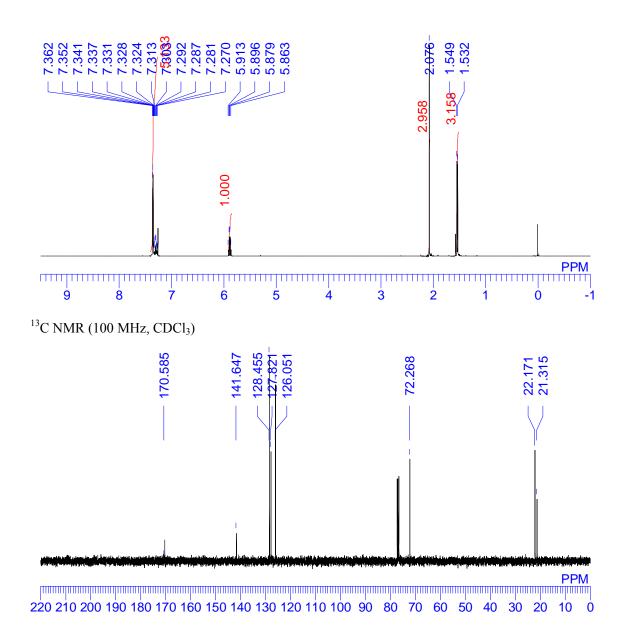


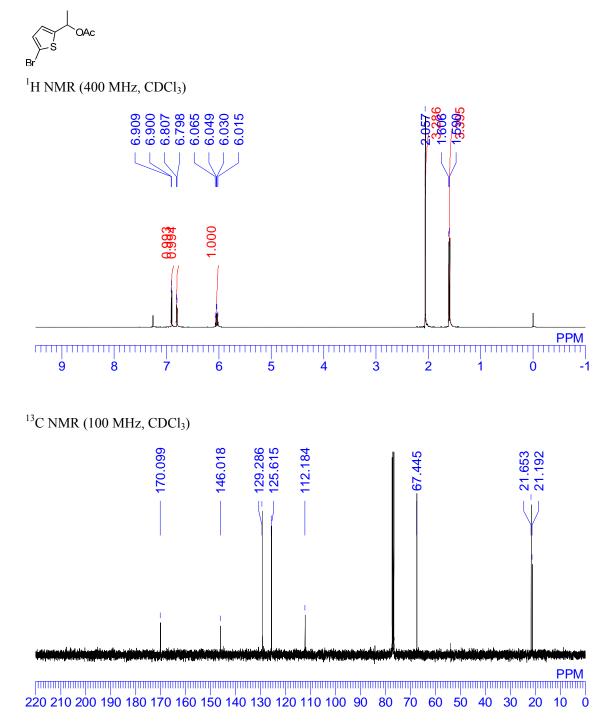
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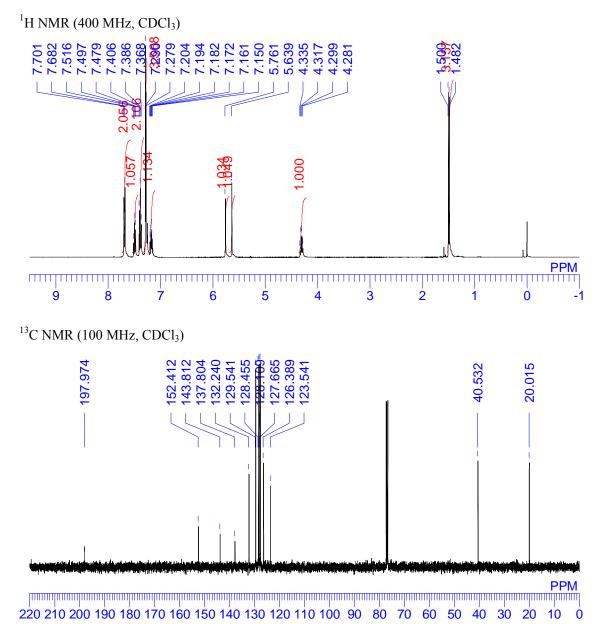
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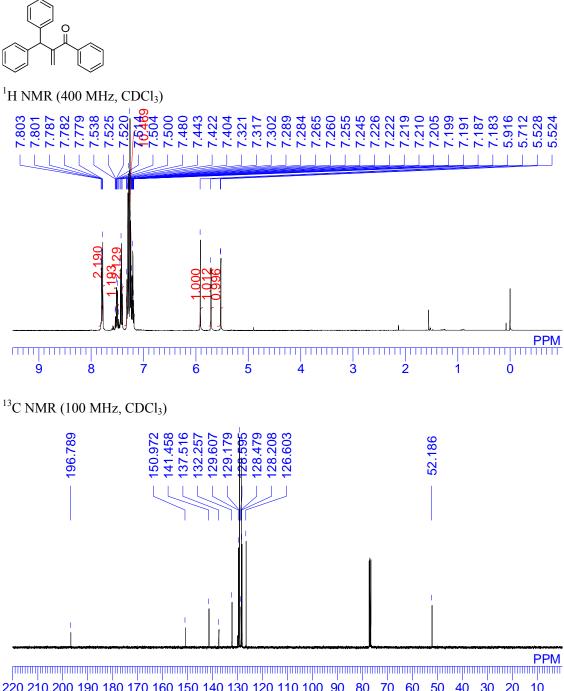




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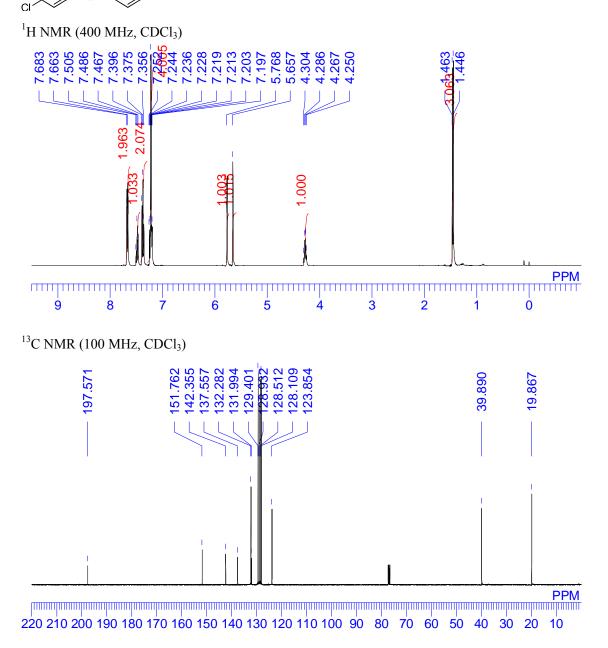
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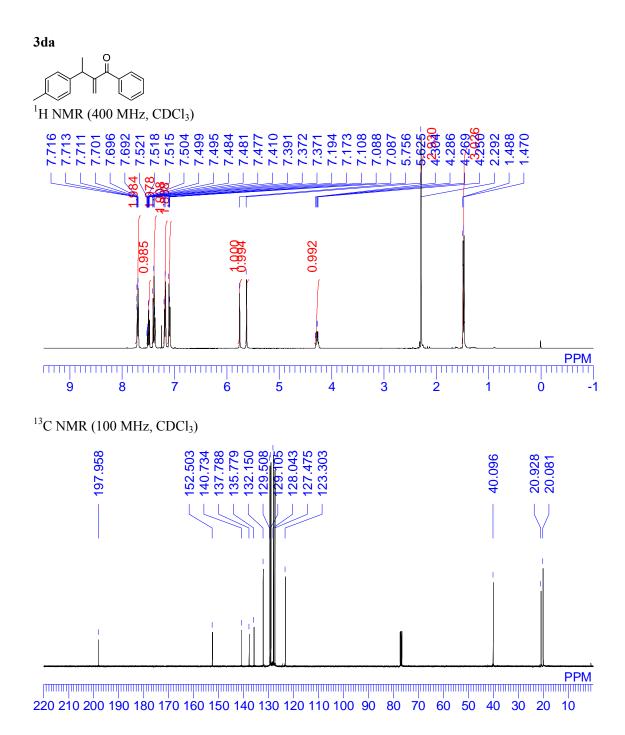


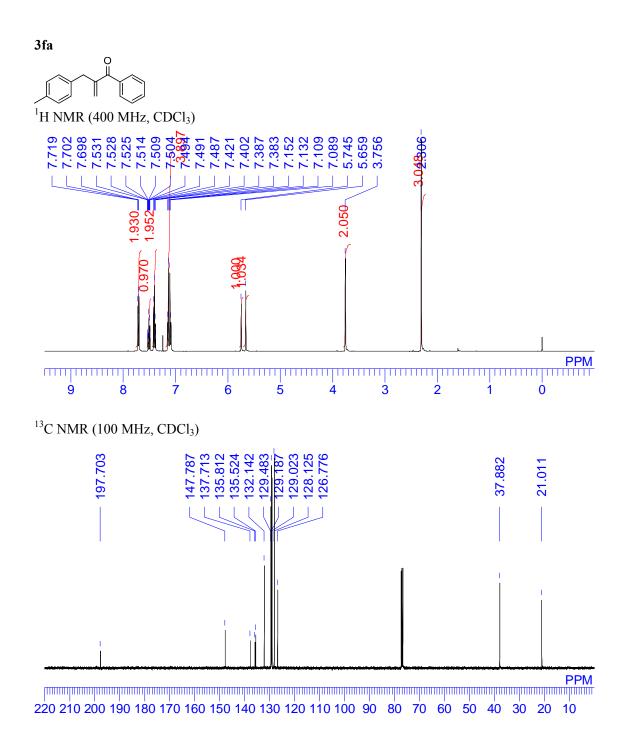


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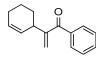


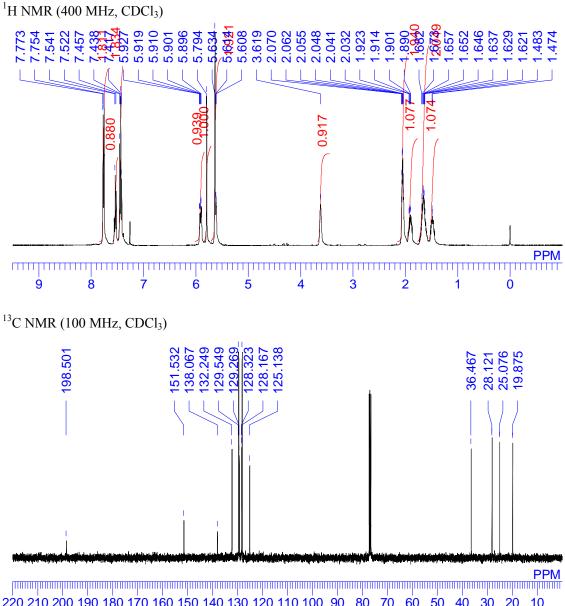
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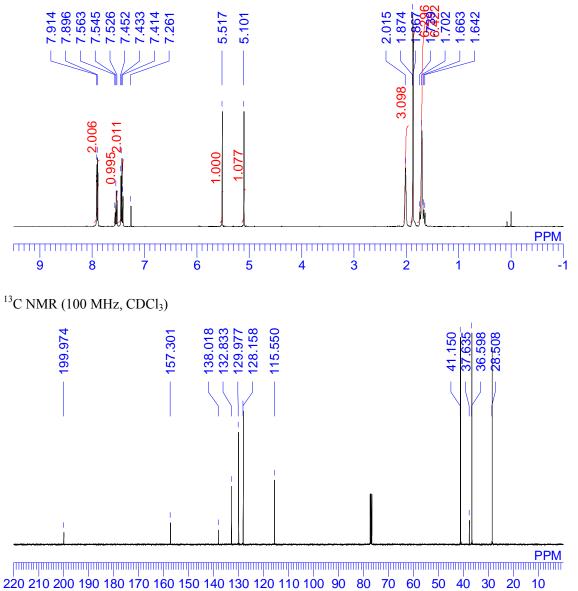




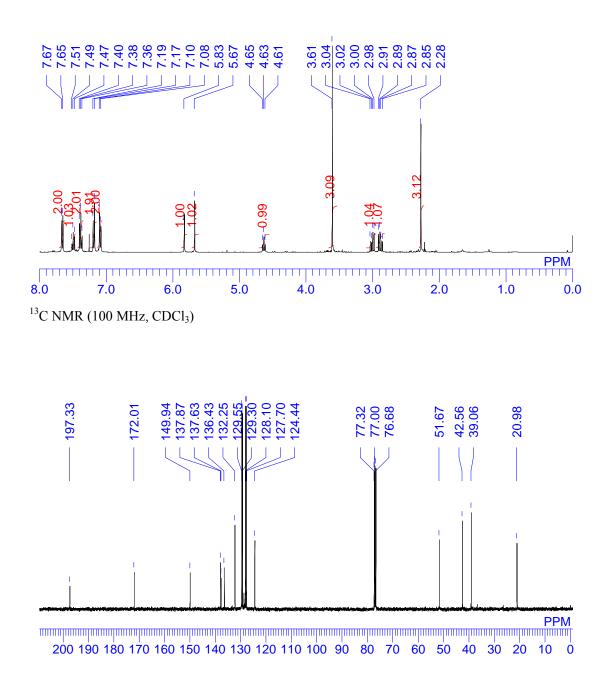
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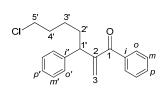
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



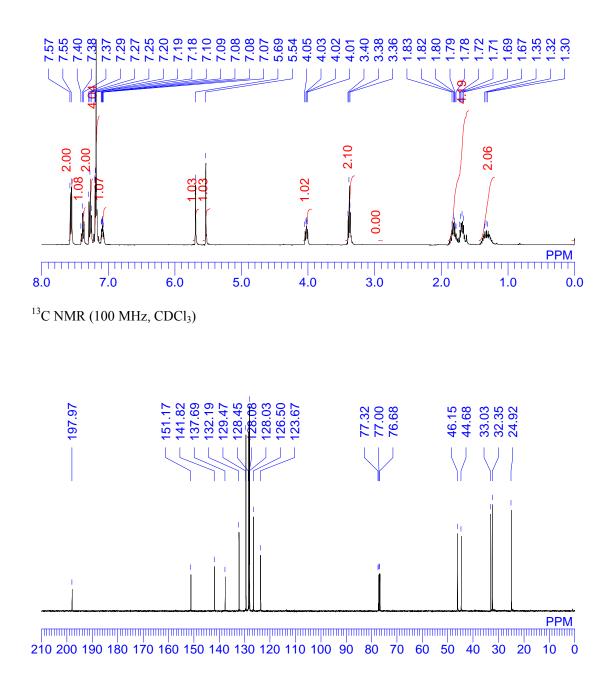
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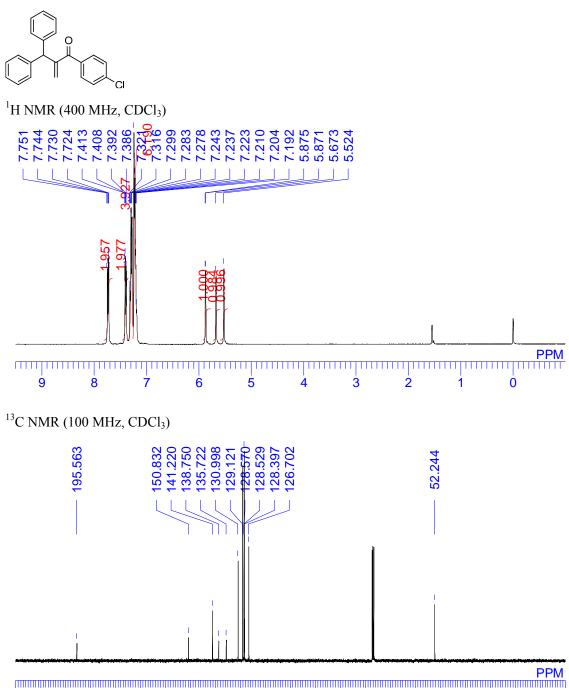




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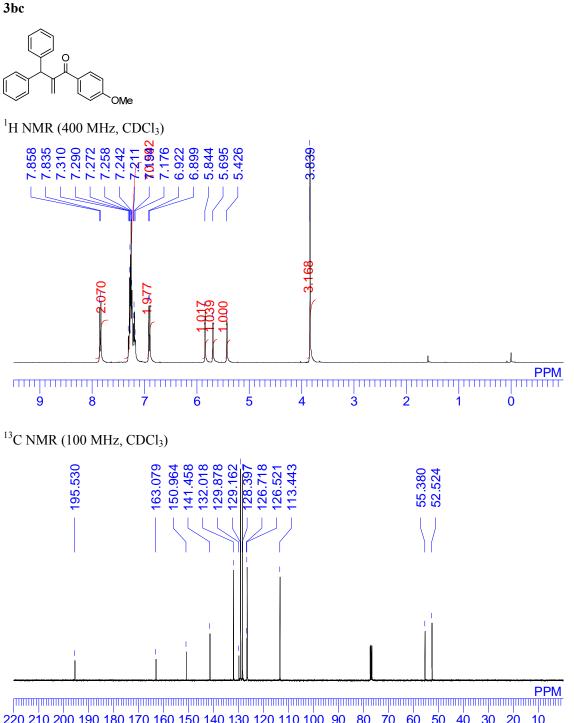
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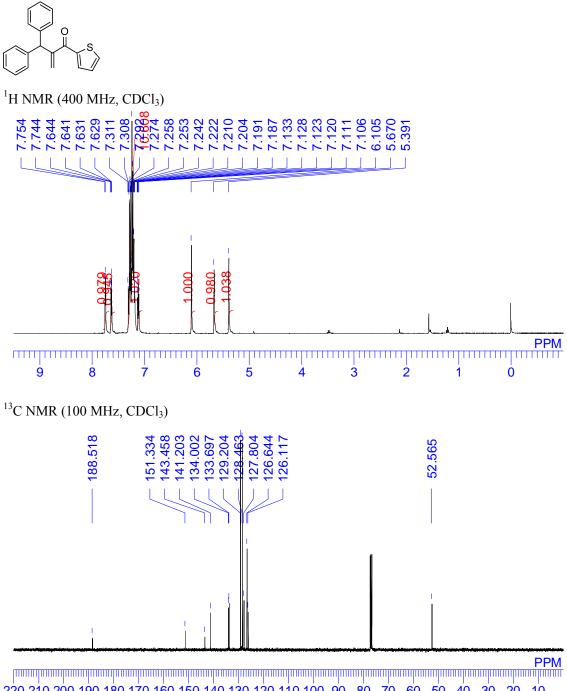


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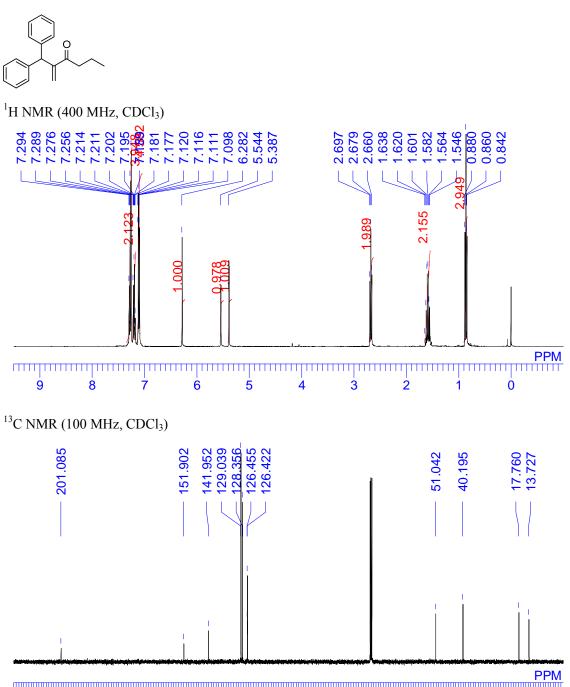






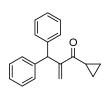


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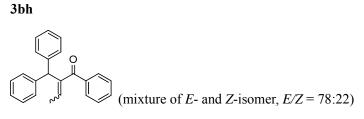




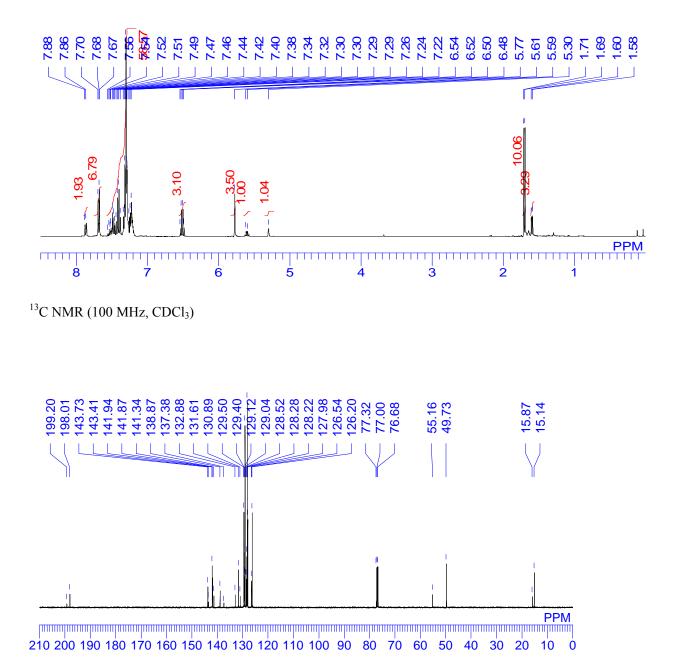
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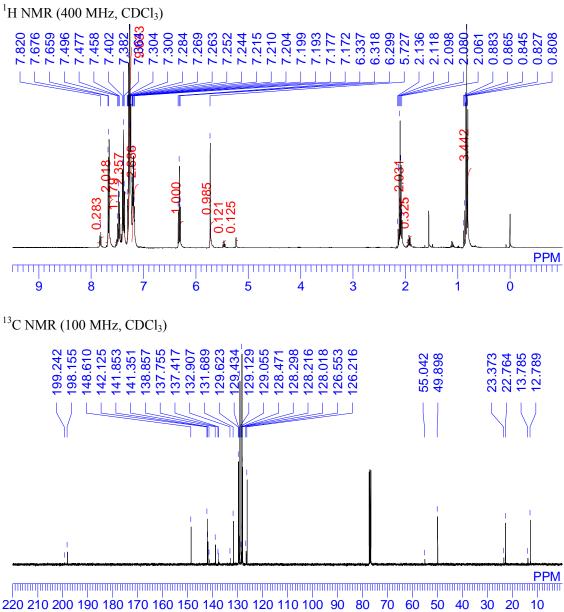




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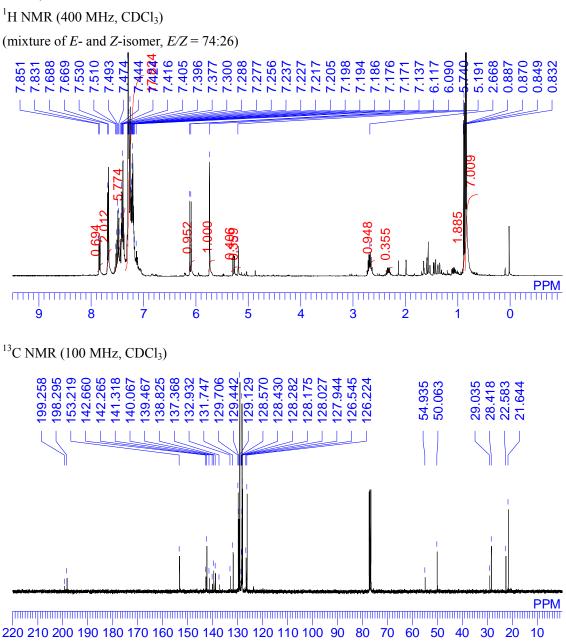


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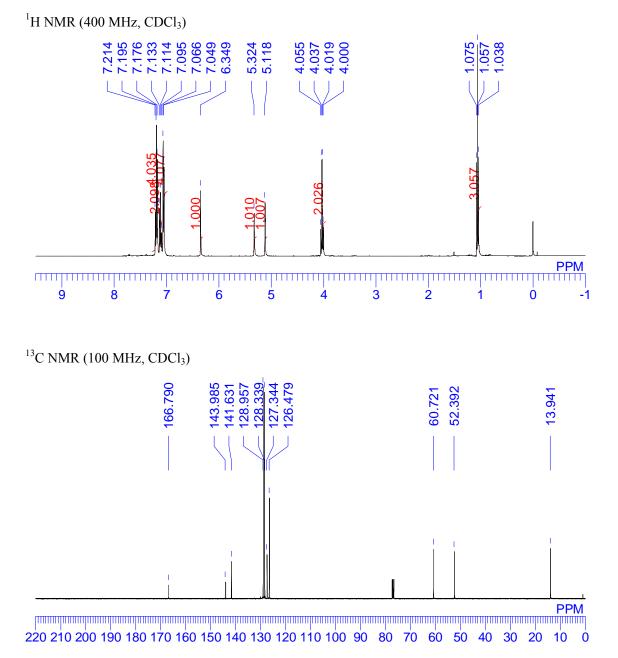
(mixture of *E*- and *Z*-isomer, E/Z = 89:11)

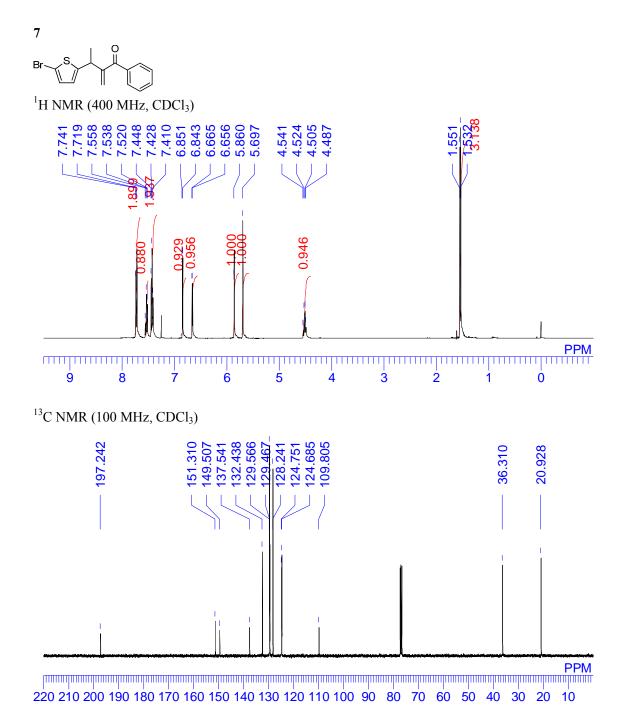
3bi



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S58