Supporting Information

Synthesis of Well-Defined Tower-Shaped 1,3,5-Trisubstituted Adamantanes

Incorporating a Macrocyclic Trilactam Ring System

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General Information. All reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. Tetrahydrofuran (99.9%, anhydrous, inhibitor free), triethylamine (99.5%) and chlorobenzene (99.8%, anhydrous) were used as received. Solvents were well deoxygenated with N₂ before use in Sonogashira coupling reactions or macrocyclization reactions. Brine refers to a saturated aqueous solution of NaCl. Melting points are uncorrected. A decomposition point is indicated by dec. PHB means that the sample was placed in a preheated block just below the decomposition temperature. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 300 and 75 MHz, respectively, in CDCl, unless otherwise noted (e.g. 500 and 125 MHz). Chemical shifts are in δ units (ppm) with the residual solvent peak (¹H CHCl₂, δ 7.26; ¹³C CDCl₂, δ 77) as the internal standard. Coupling constants (J) are reported in hertz (Hz). NMR splitting patterns are designated as s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; and br, broad. Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel (60–200 mesh). Analytical TLC was performed on commercially coated 60 mesh F_{254} plastic plates. Spots were rendered visible by exposing the plate to UV light. Radial chromatography (RC) was performed using 1, 2 and 4 mm disks covered with silica gel $60PF_{254}$ containing gypsum. Fluorescence spectra were acquired at 25 °C on a fluorescence spectrometer with 5 nm and 10 nm excitation and emission slit widths, respectively, using a 10 mm path quartz cuvette. Mass spectra other than FAB mass spectra were measured by LC-MS.

1,3,5-Triethynyladamantane (8). Colorless crystals, mp 84-86 °C (Lit.¹ 84-86°C); ¹H NMR δ 1.78 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 6H), 1.95 (s, 6H), 2.11 (t, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 27.79, 29.76, 40.39, 46.15, 68.15, 90.02; MS calcd for C₁₆H₁₅ (M-1) 207.1, found 207.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₆: C, 92.26; H, 7.74. Found: C, 92.11; H, 7.77.

Pyrrolidin-1-yl-(4-trimethylsilanylethynylphenyl)diazene (11). Light yellow crystals, which were pure by TLC and NMR: mp 110-112 °C (lit.² mp 101 °C); ¹H NMR δ 0.24 (s, 9H), 2.02 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 4H), 3.79 (brs, 4H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ 0.04, 23.75, 93.57,

105.71, 119.28, 120.12, 132.73, 151.32; MS calcd for $C_{15}H_{21}N_3Si$ (M) 271.1, found 271.0. Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{21}N_3Si \cdot 1/4H_2O$: C, 65.29; H, 7.79; N, 15.23. Found: C, 65.49; H, 7.95; N, 15.31.

(4-Iodophenylethynyl)trimethylsilane (13). Colorless crystals, which were pure by TLC and NMR: mp 68-70 °C (lit.³ mp 56-58 °C); ¹H NMR δ 0.24 (S, 9H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ -0.15, 94.46, 95.86, 103.95, 122.59, 133.41, 137.34; MS calcd for C₁₁H₁₂ISi (M-1) 299.0, found 299.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₃ISi: C, 44.01; H, 4.36. Found: C, 43.72; H, 4.16.

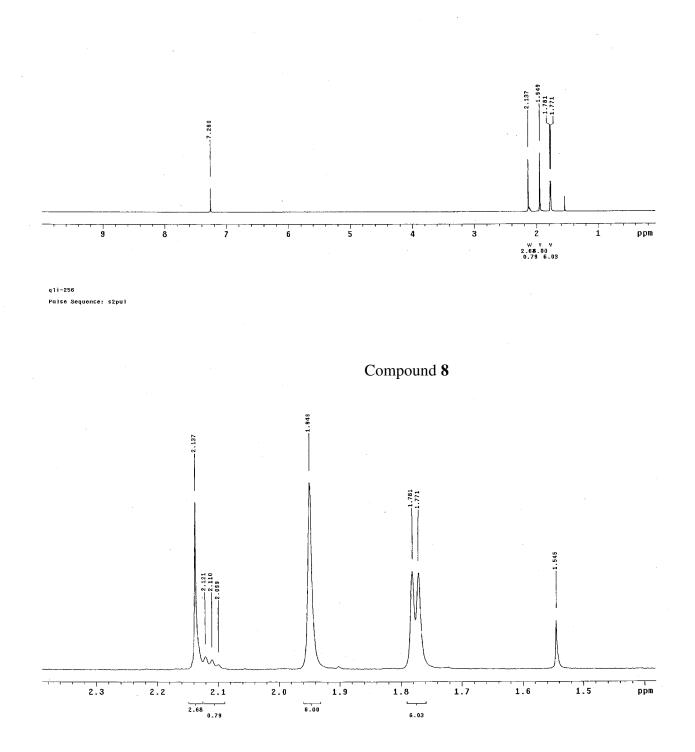
Thioacetic Acid S-(4-Iodobenzyl) Ester (16). Colorless solid,⁴ which was pure by TLC and NMR: mp 41-42 °C (lit.⁵ mp 40-41 °C); ¹H NMR δ 2.34 (s, 3H), 4.04 (s, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ 30.30, 32.85, 92.65, 130,75, 137.44, 137.64, 194.82; MS calcd for C_oH_oIOSNa 314.94, found 315.0.

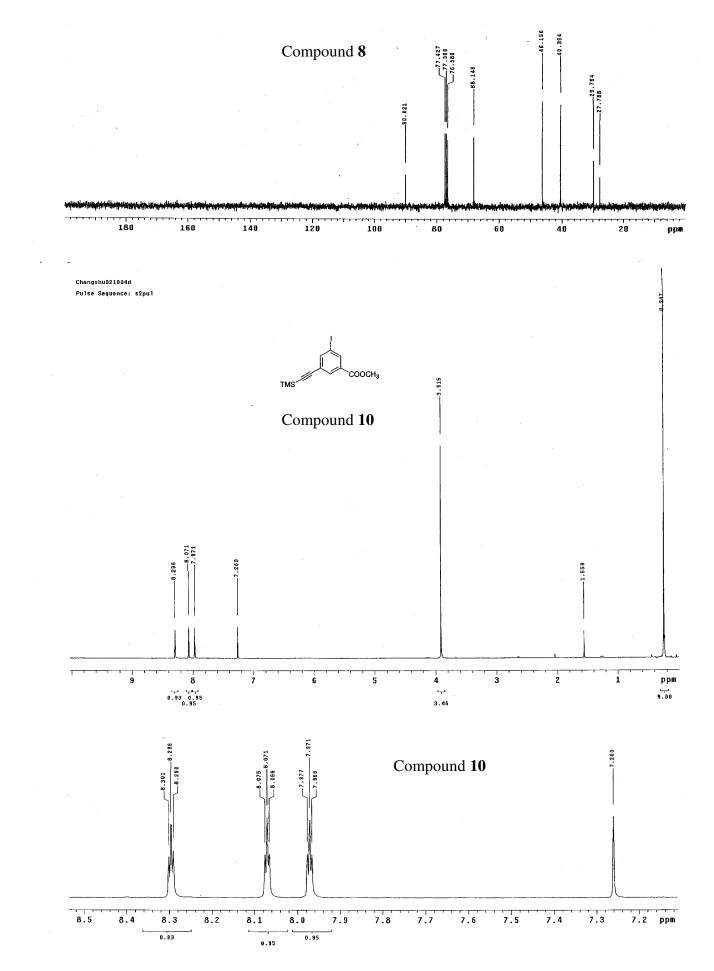
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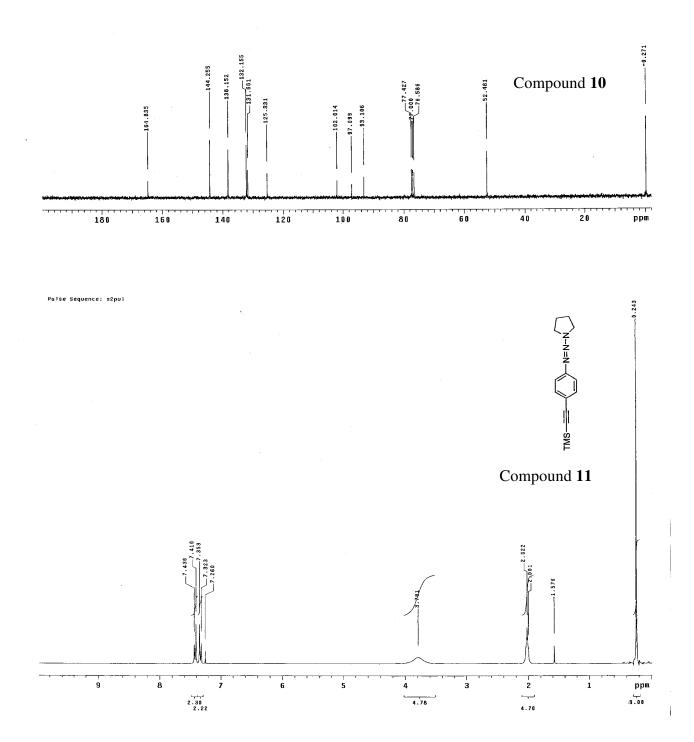
Thioacetic Acid *S*-(4-Trimethylsilanylethynylbenzyl) Ester (27). A light yellow solid, which was pure by TLC and NMR: mp 41-42 °C (lit.⁵ mp 41-42 °C); ¹H NMR δ 0.27 (s, 9H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 4.12 (s, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ -0.08, 30.27, 33.18, 94.38, 104.71, 122.05, 128.66, 132.13, 138.09, 194.83; MS calcd for C₁₄H₁₉OSSi (M+1) 263.1, found 263.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₈OSSi: C, 64.07; H, 6.91. Found: C, 63.94; H, 6.73.

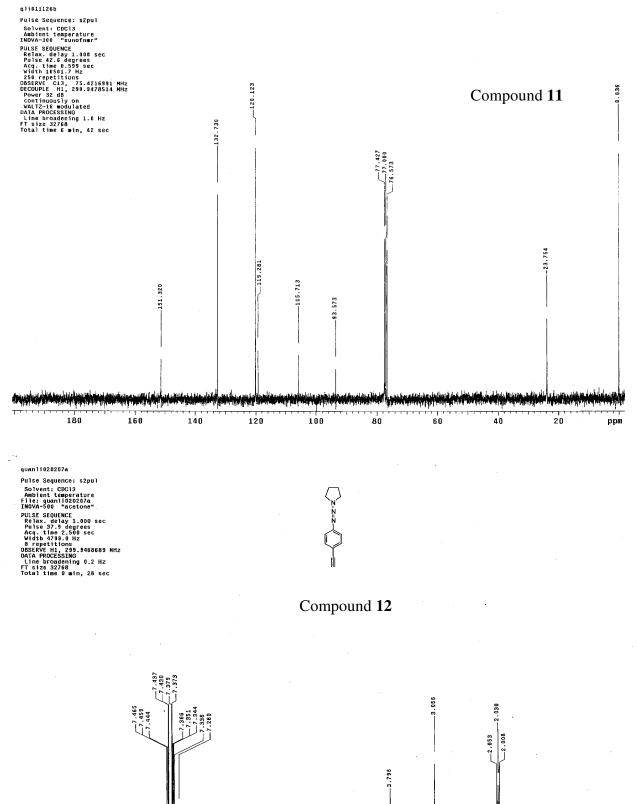
1-[4-(S-Acetylthiomethyl)phenyl]acetylene (**28**). A yellow oil,⁵ which was pure by TLC and NMR: ¹H NMR δ 2.35 (s, 3H), 3.08 (s, 1H), 4.01 (s, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ 30.23, 33.09, 77.00, 83.26, 120.96, 128.74, 132.28, 138.49, 194.74; MS calcd for C₁₁H₉OS (M-1) 189.0, found 189.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₀OS: C, 69.44; H, 5.30. Found: C, 69.65; H, 5.31.

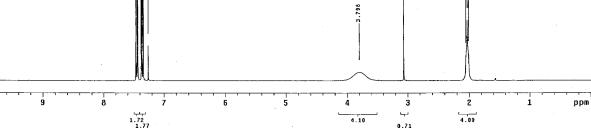
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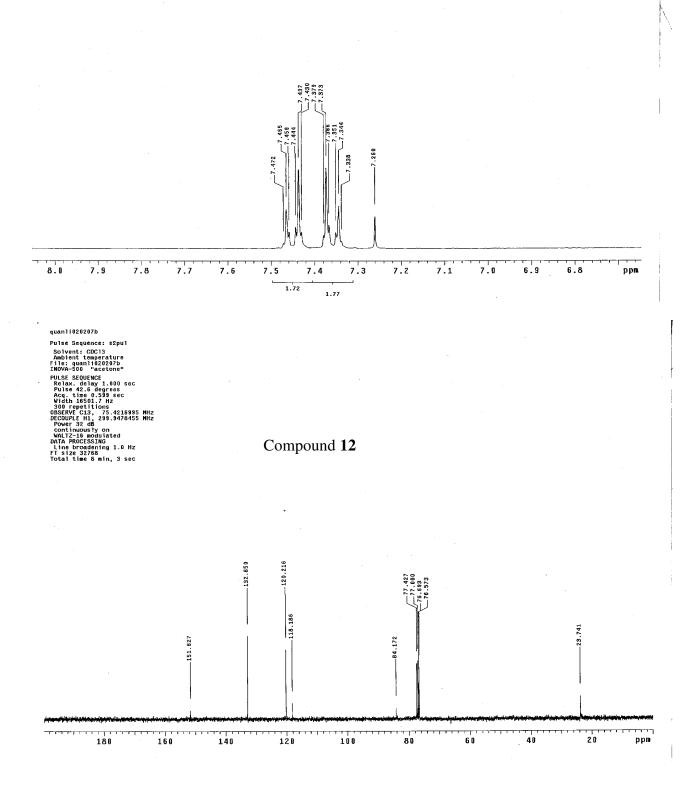


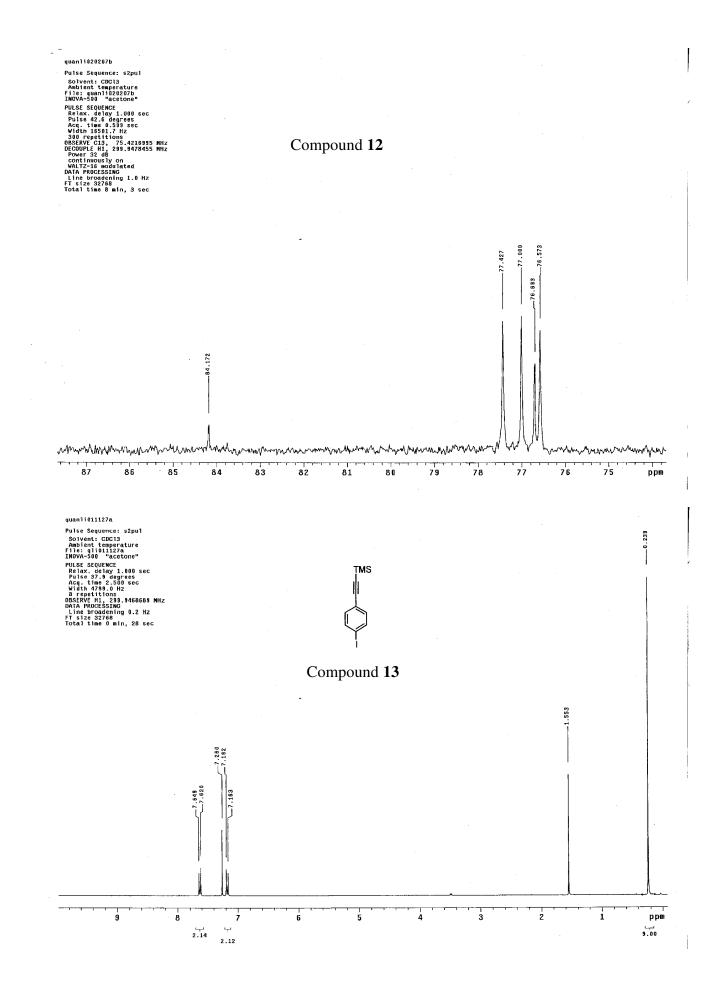


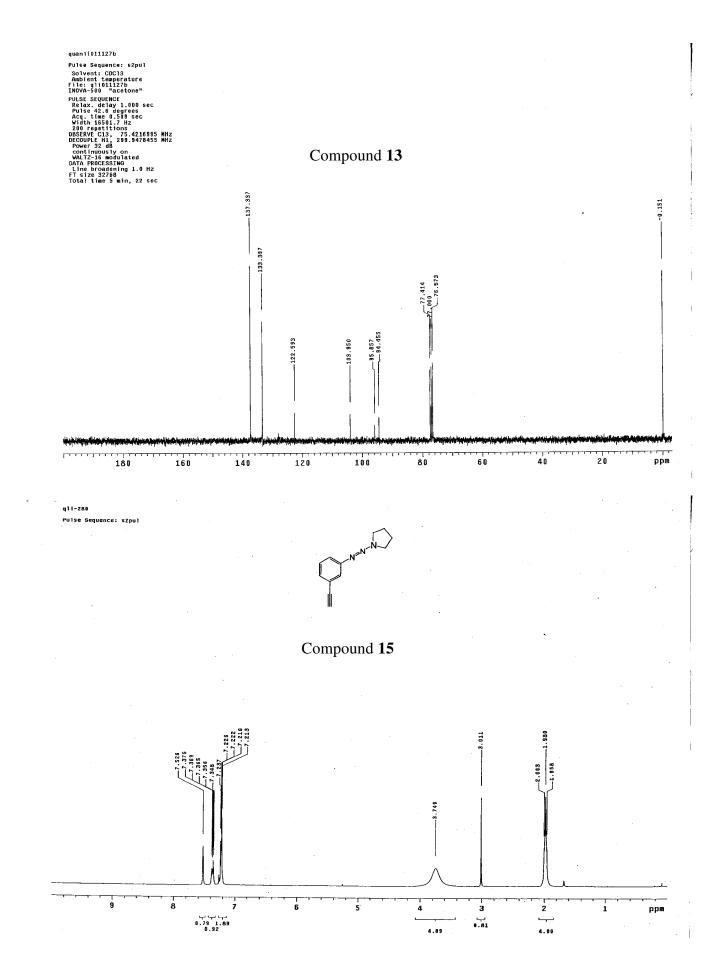


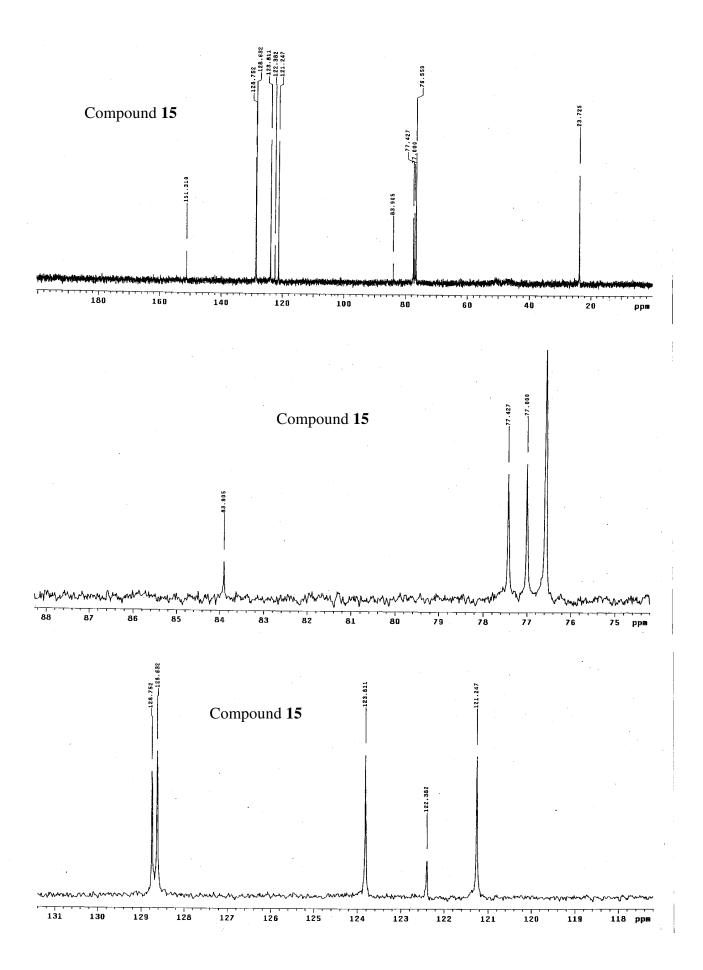
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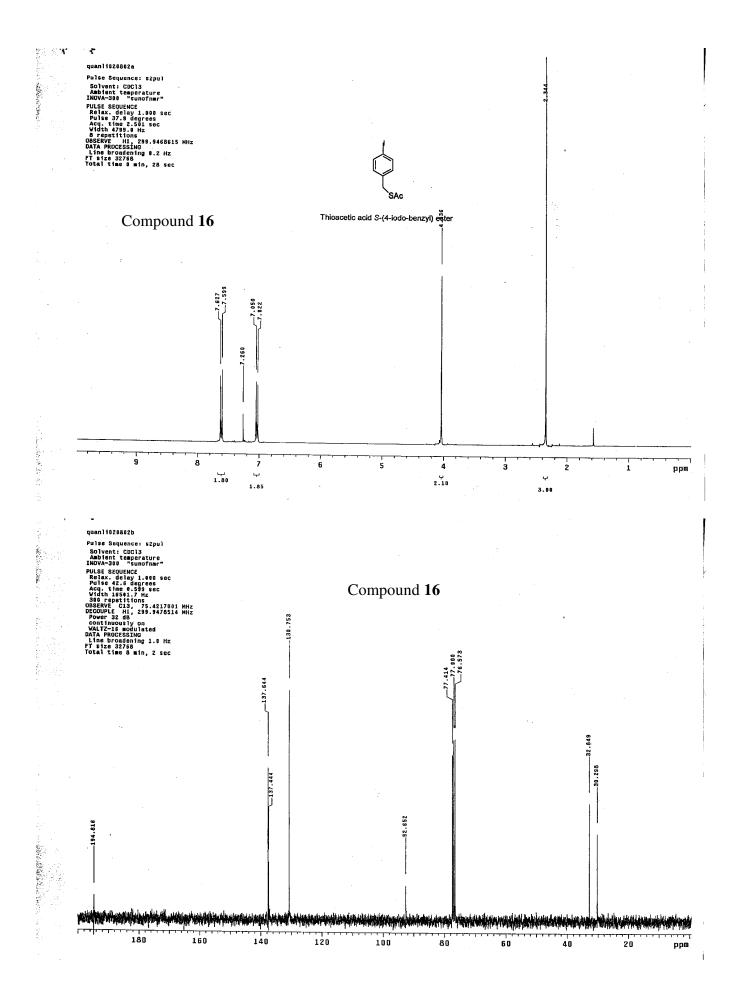
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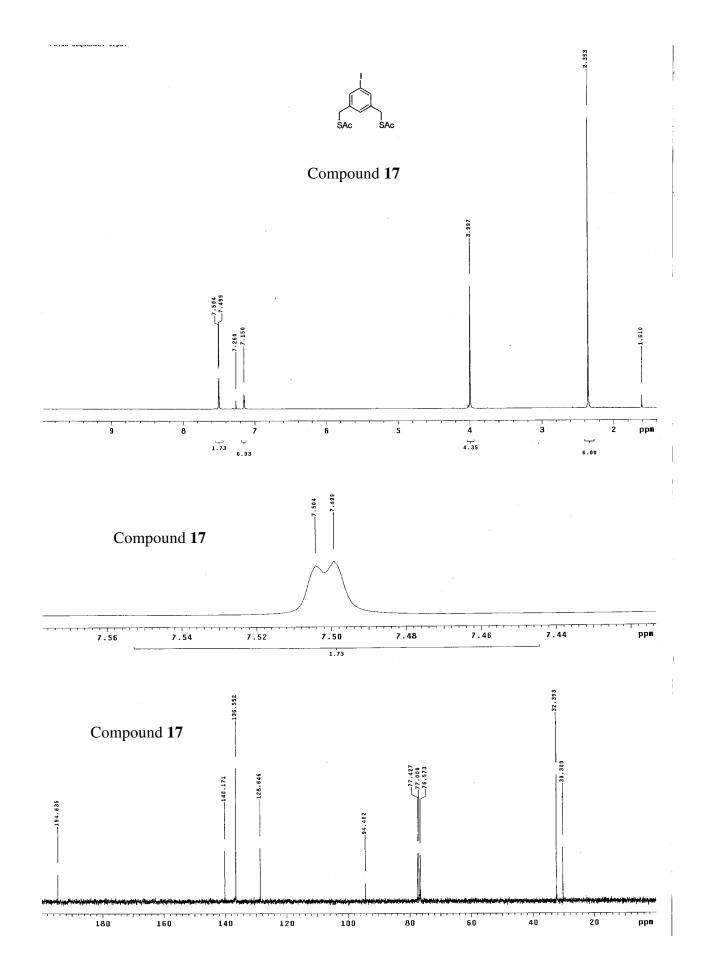


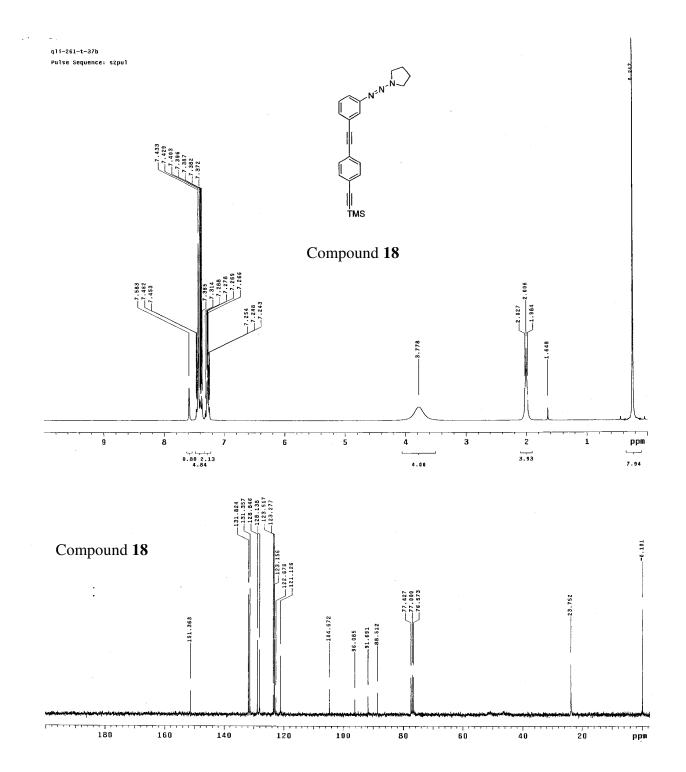


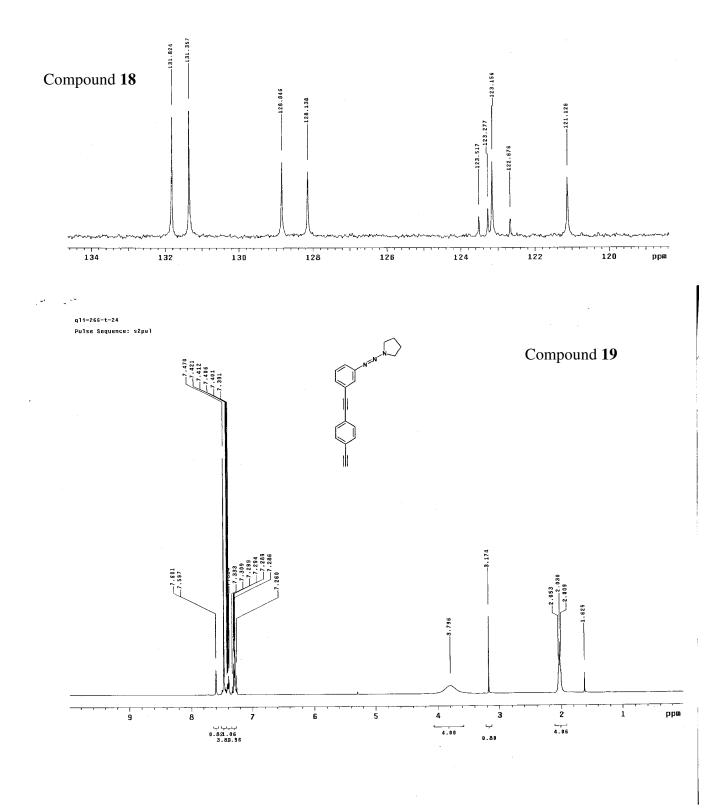


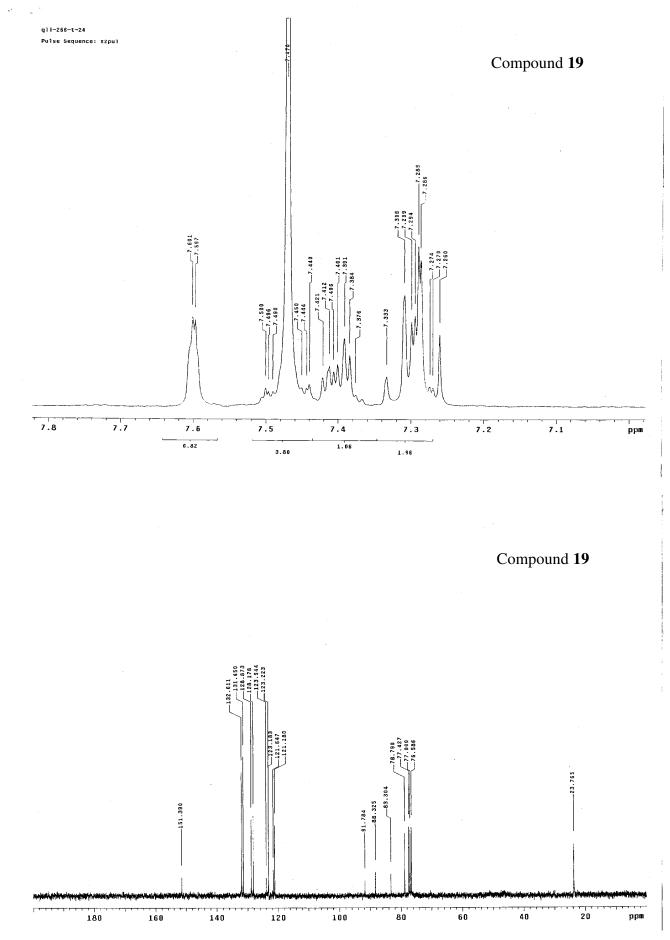


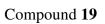


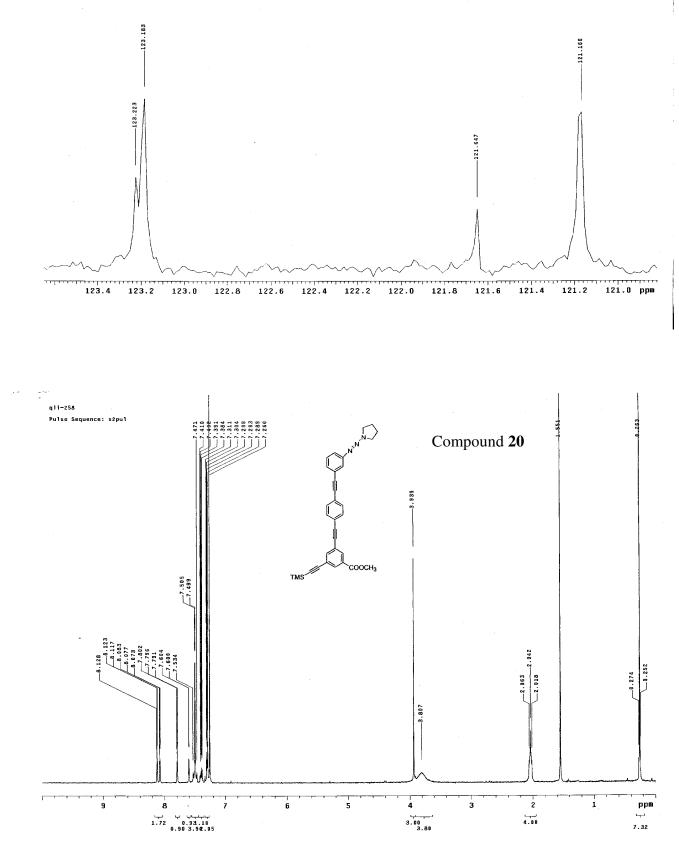


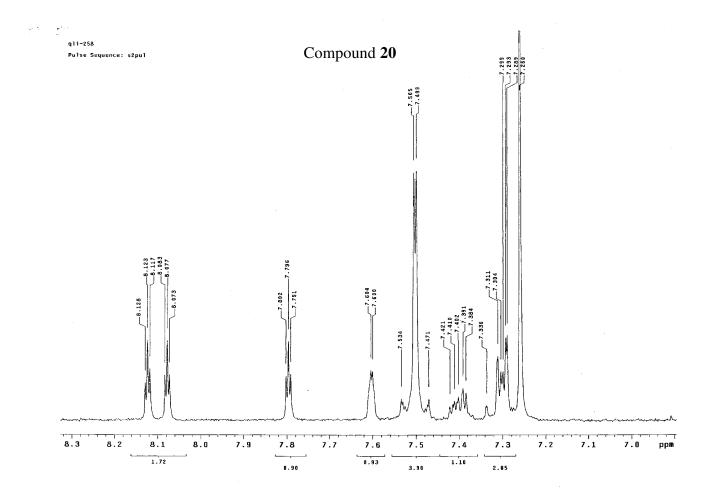




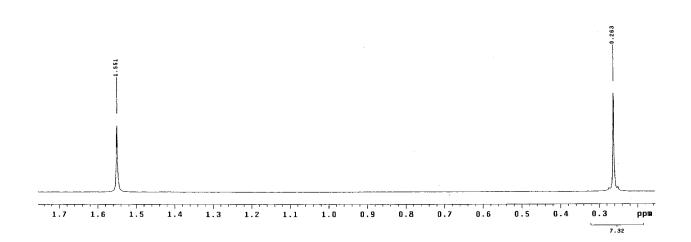


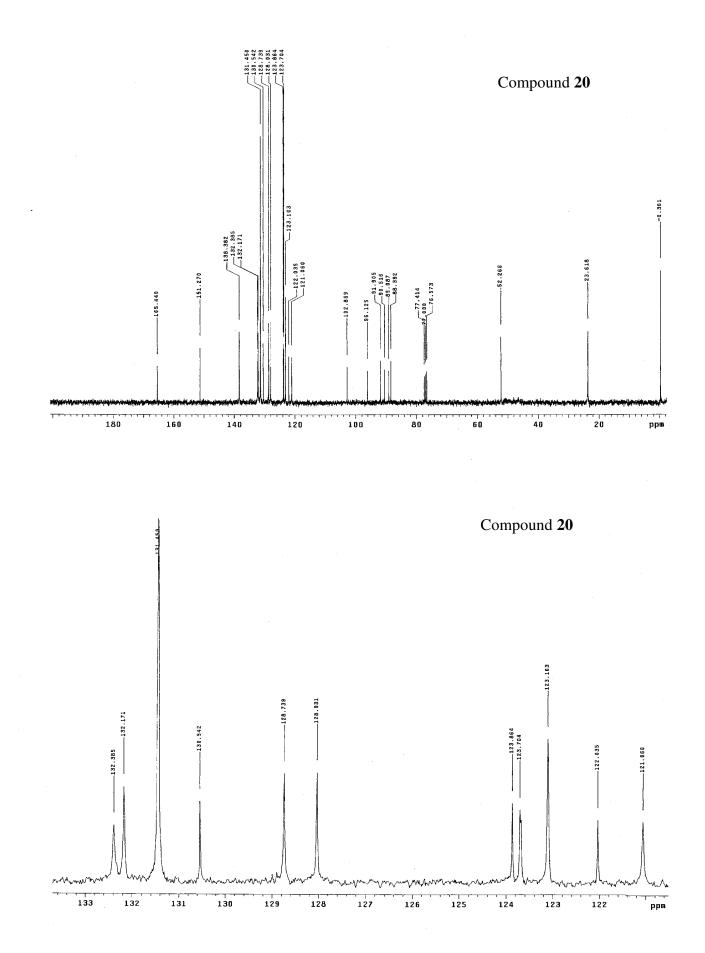


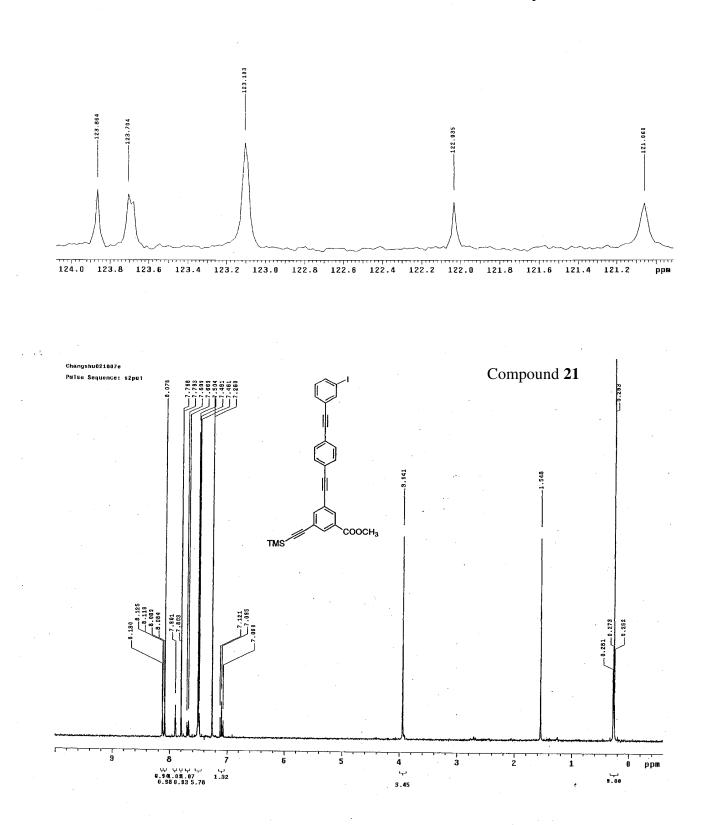


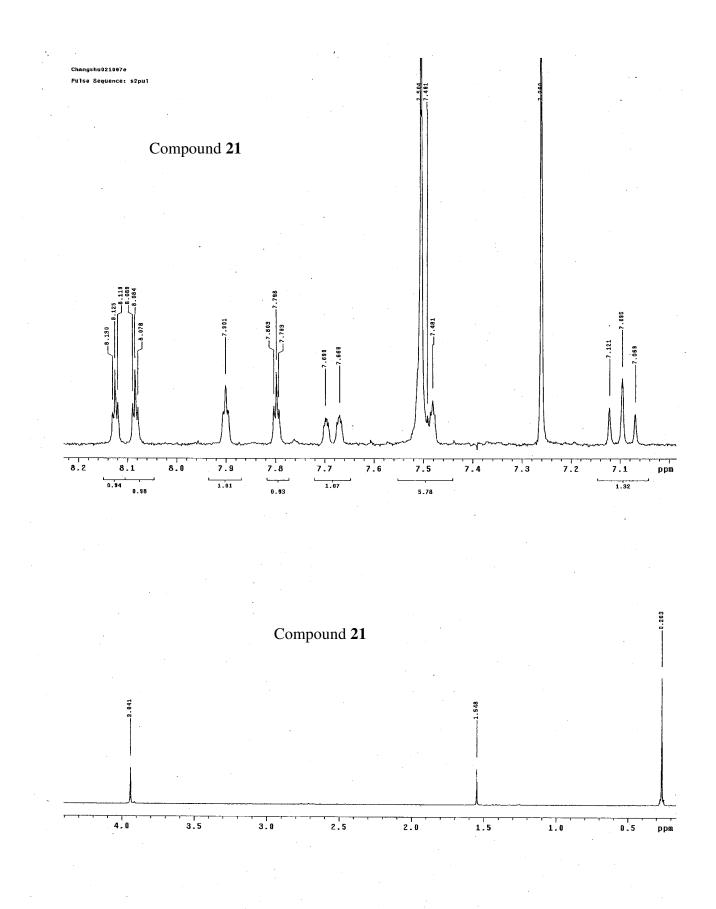


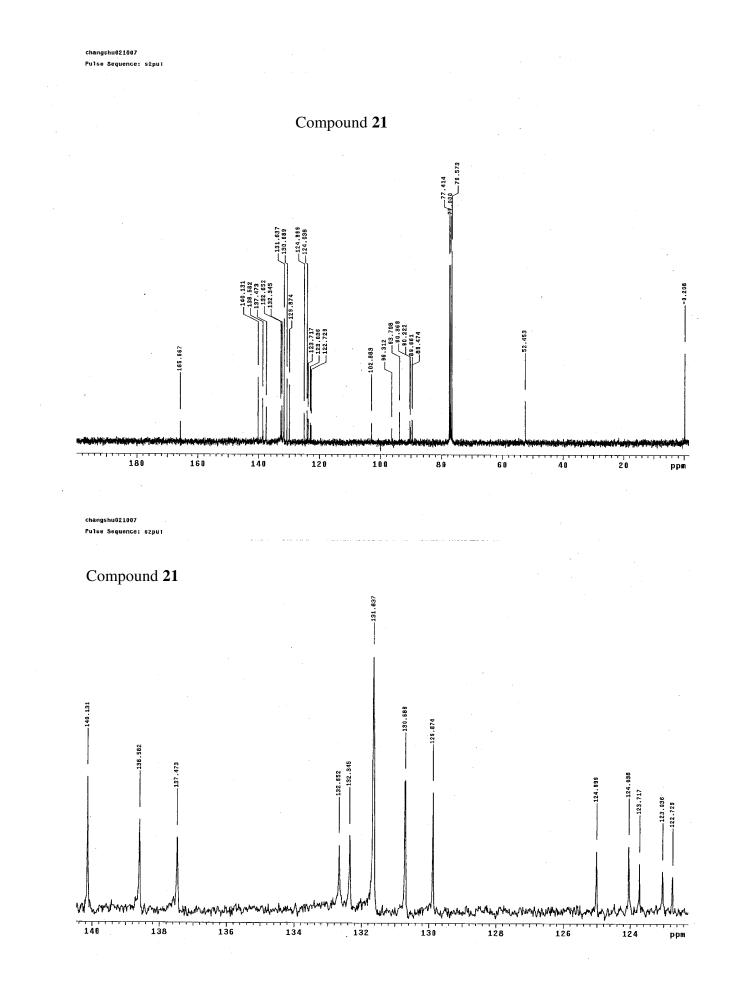
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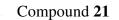


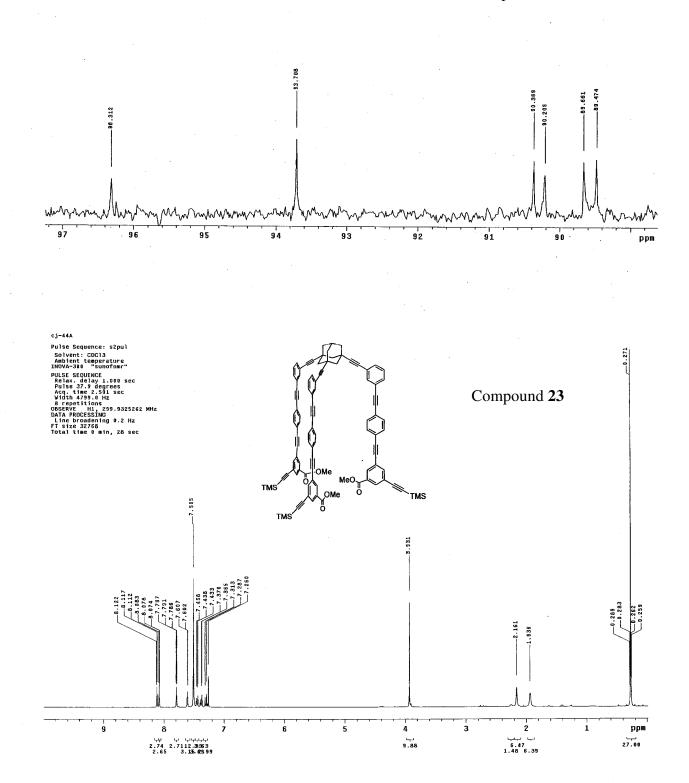


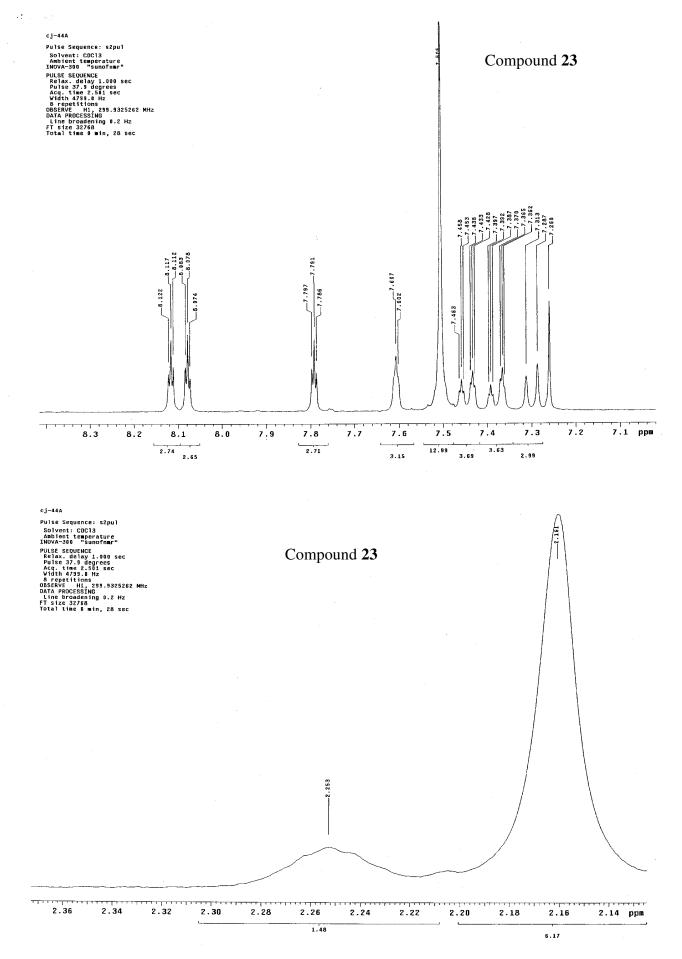






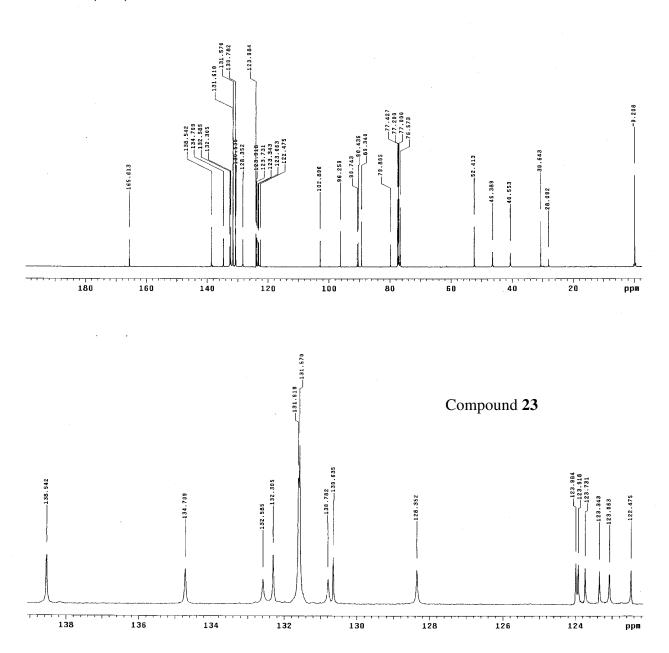






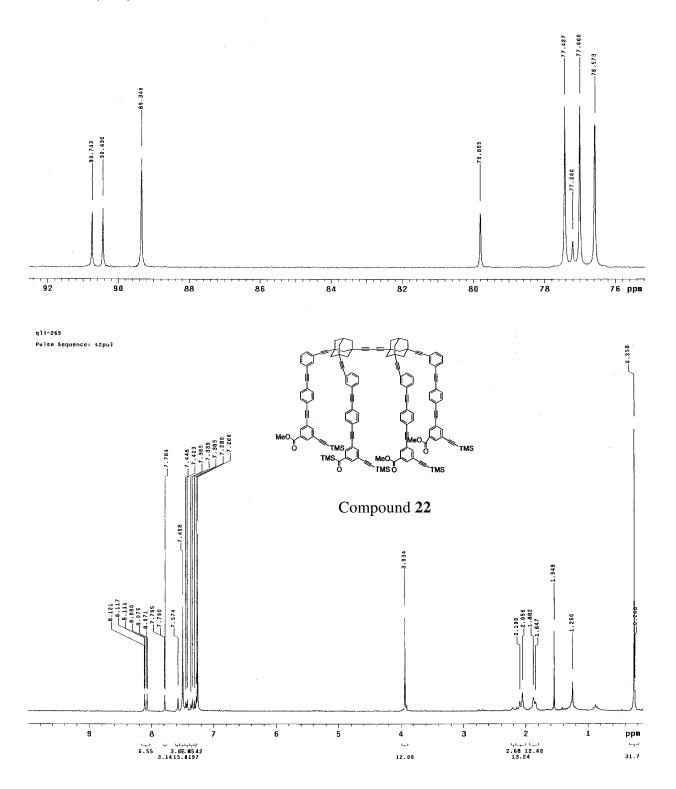
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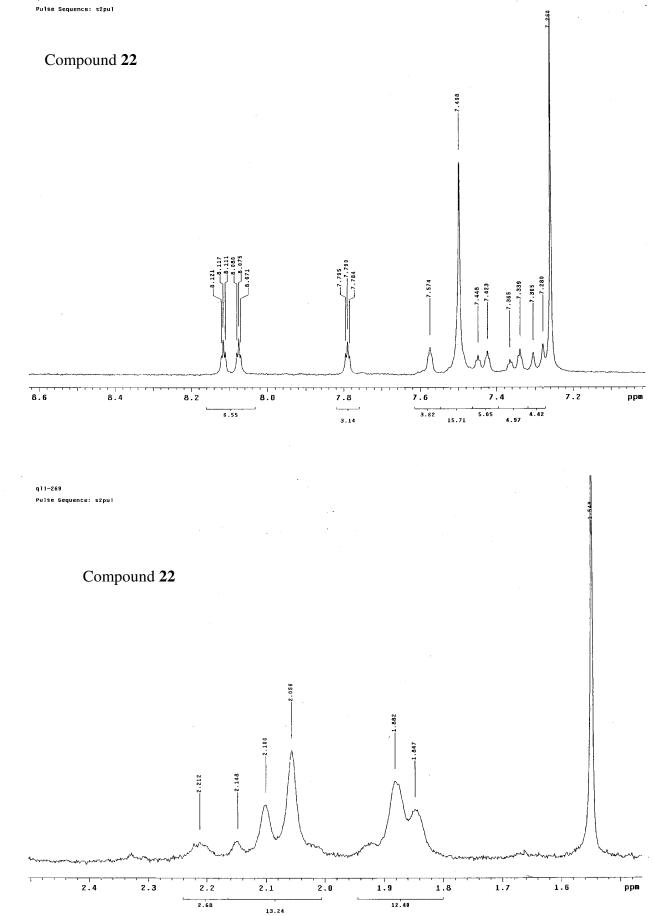
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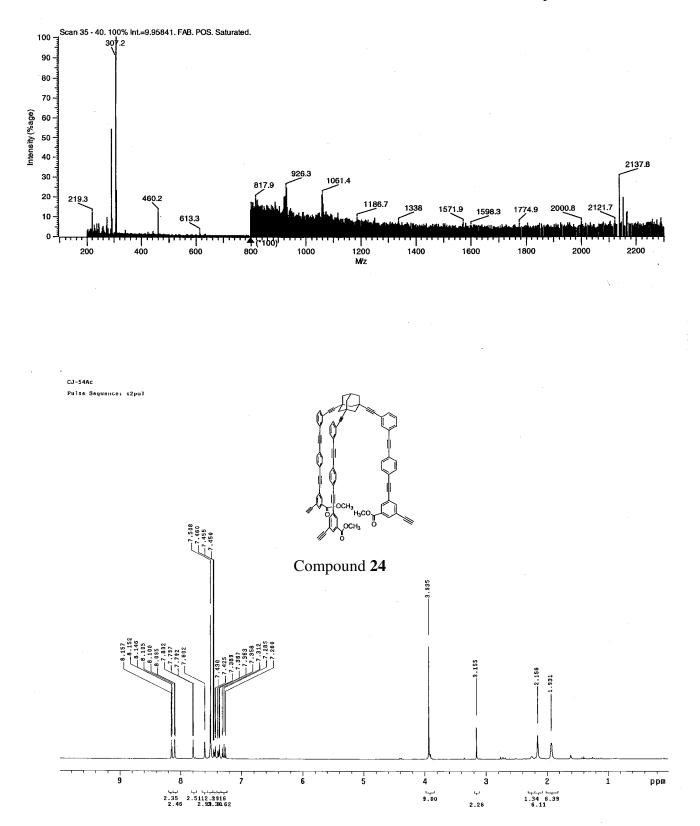


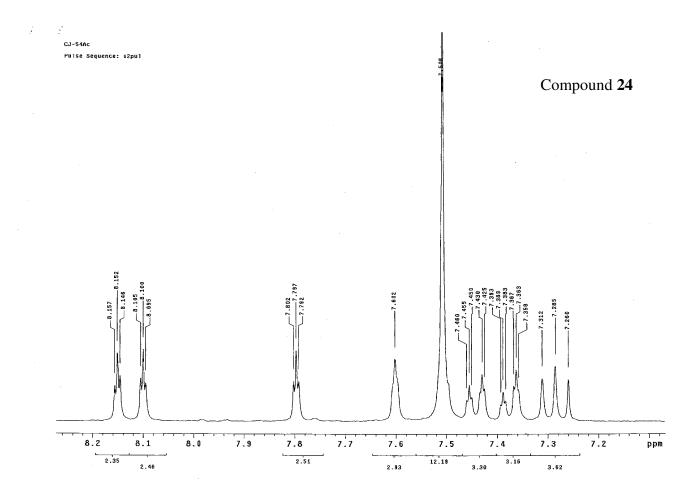
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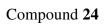
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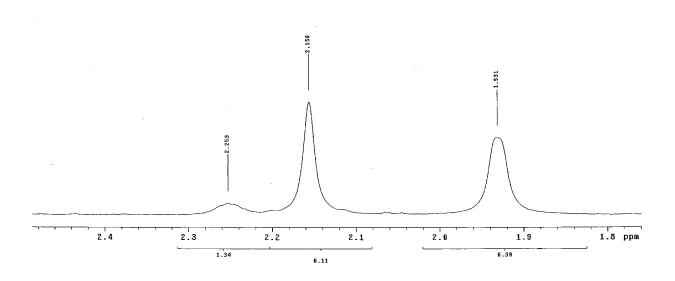




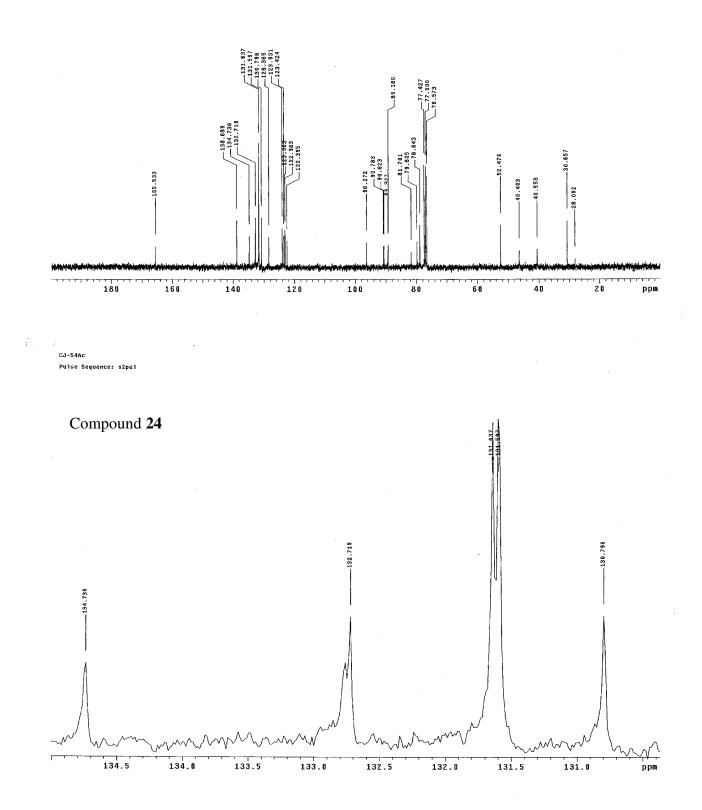




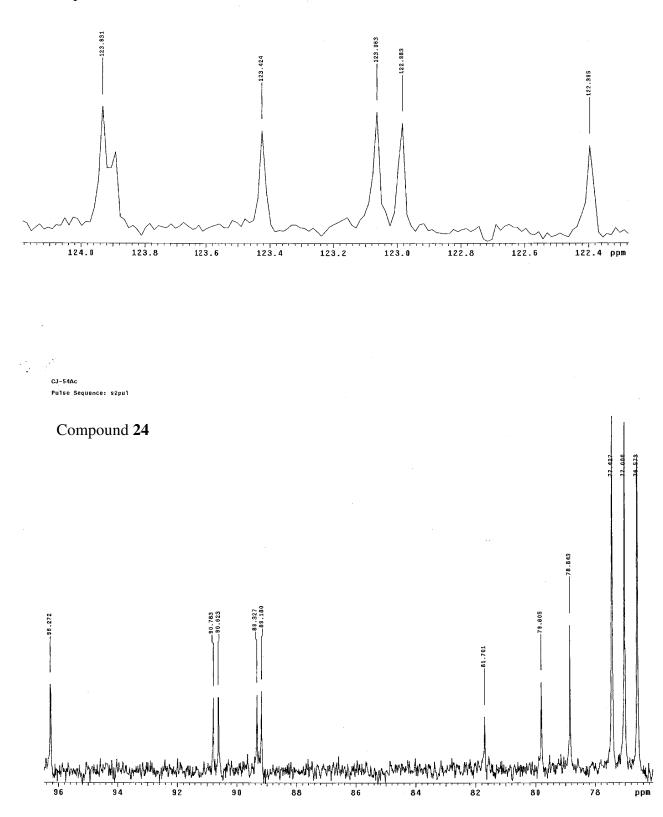


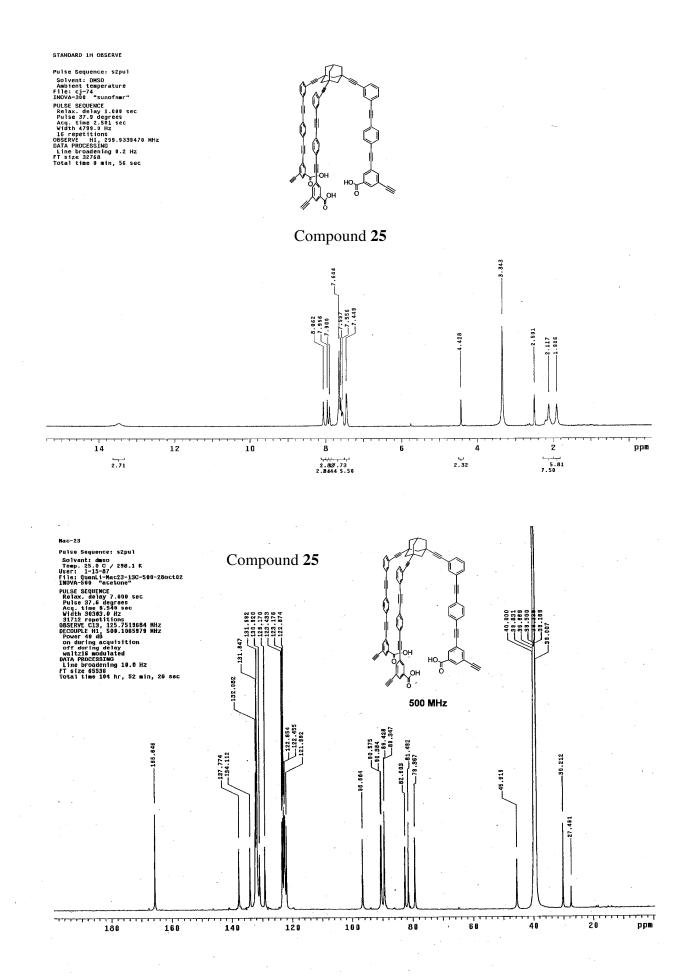


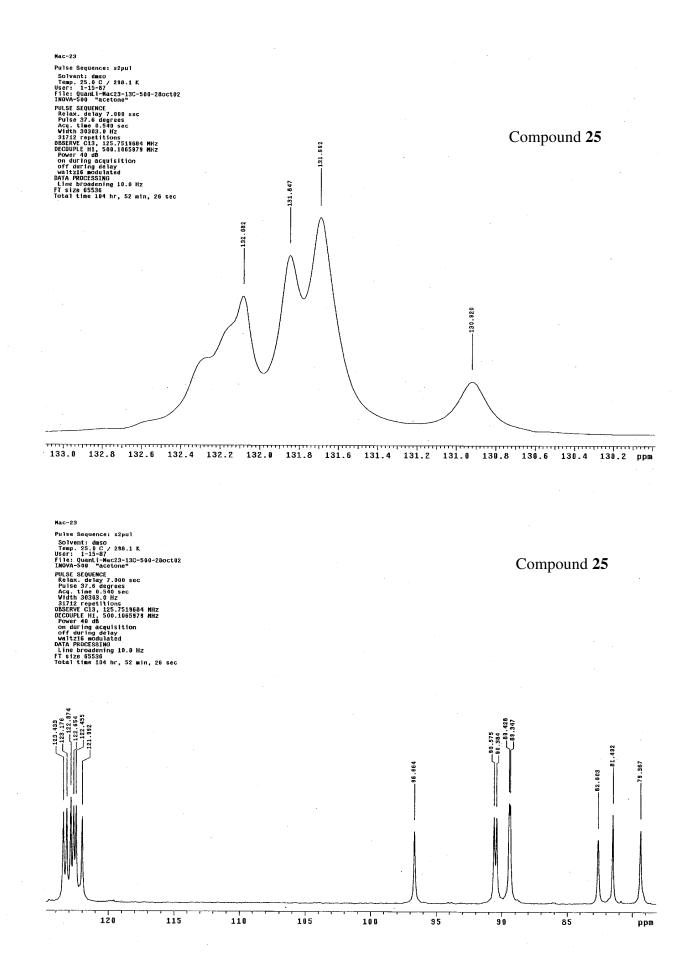
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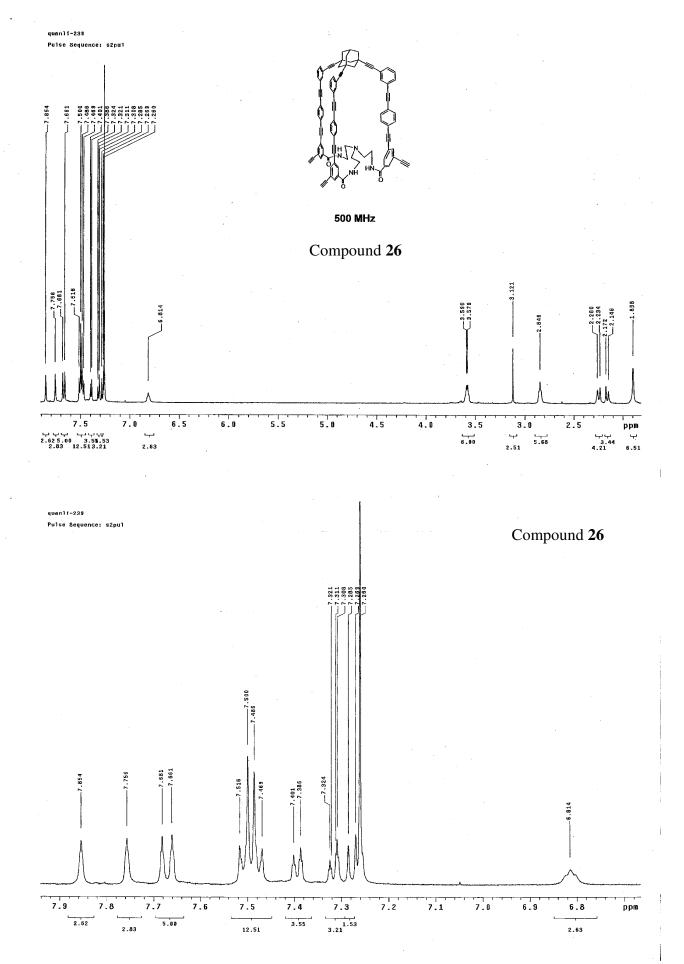


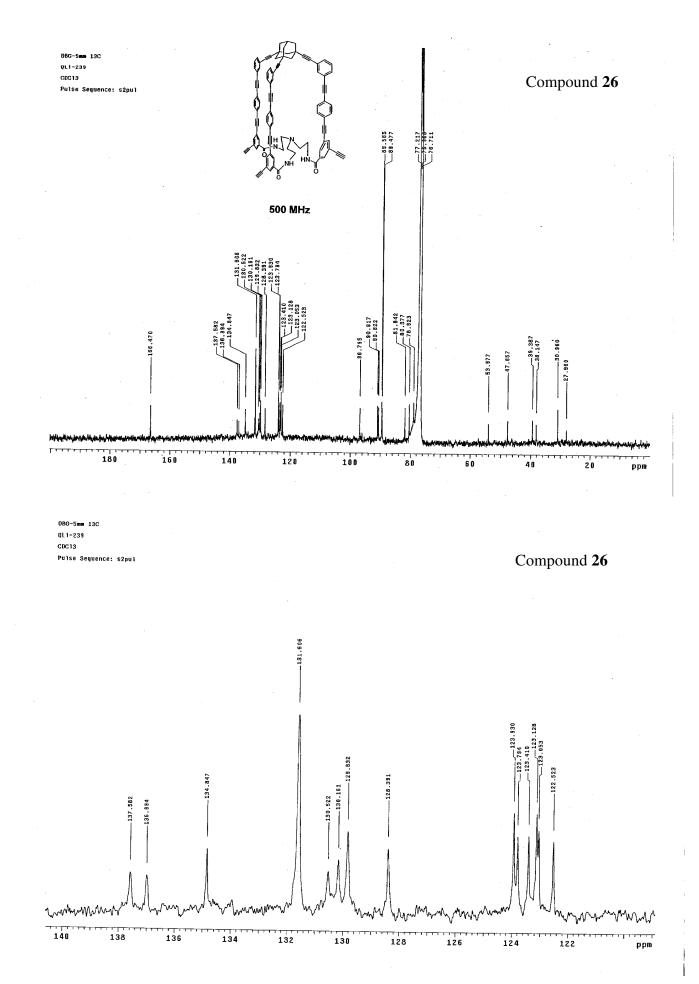
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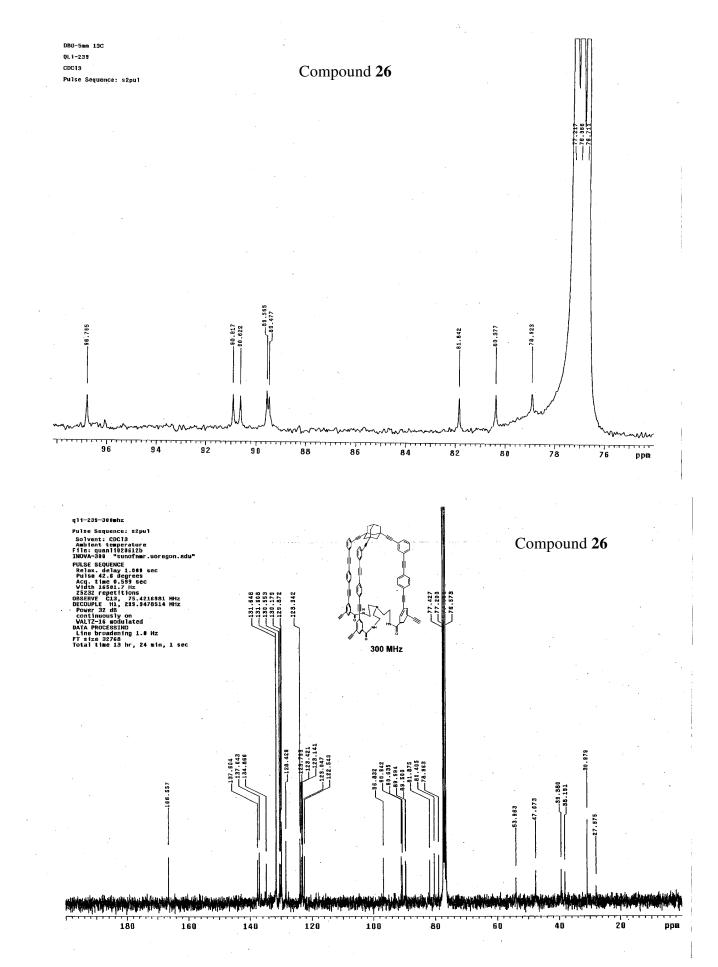


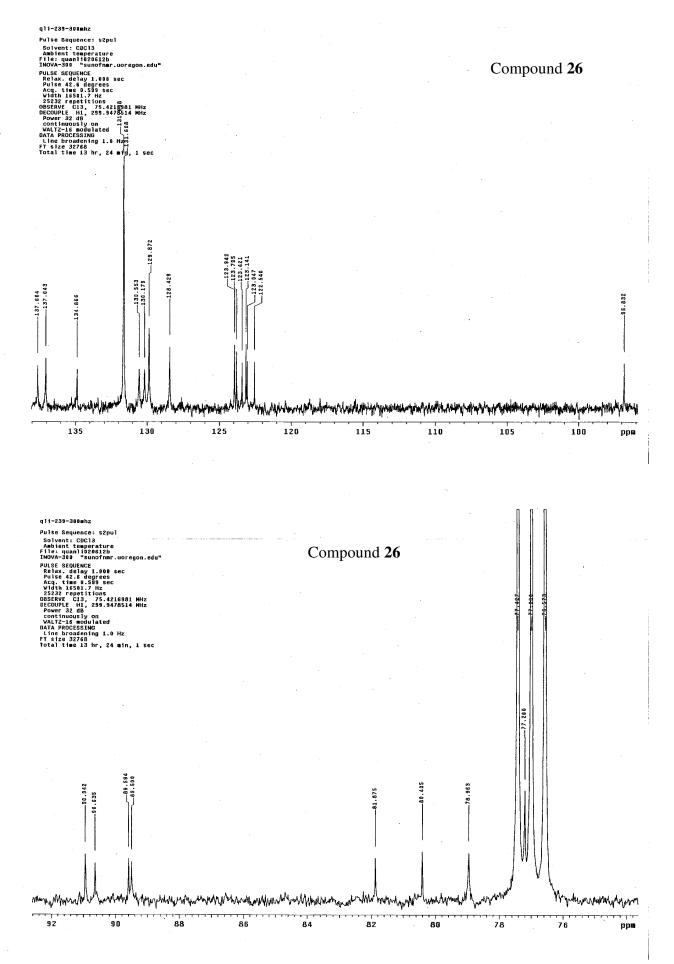


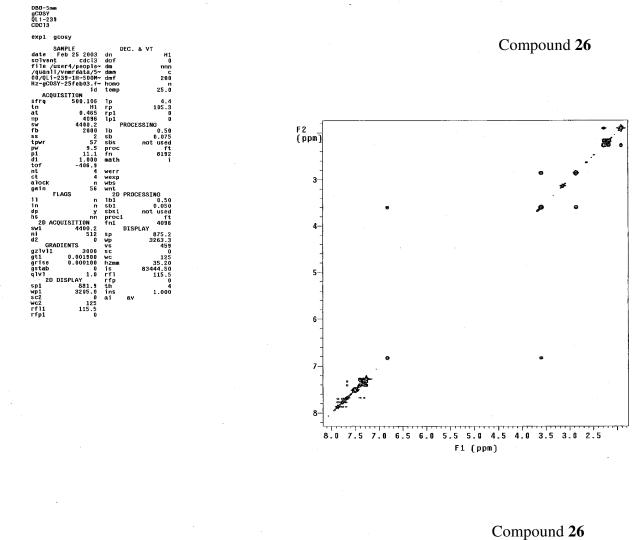




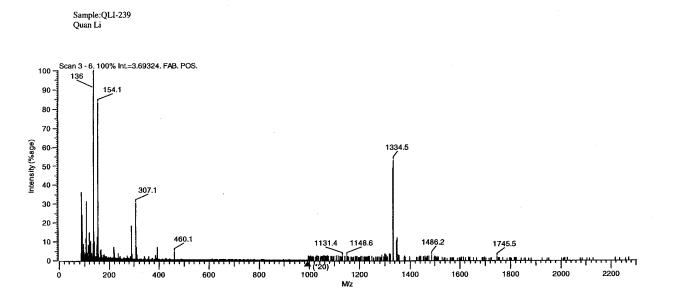


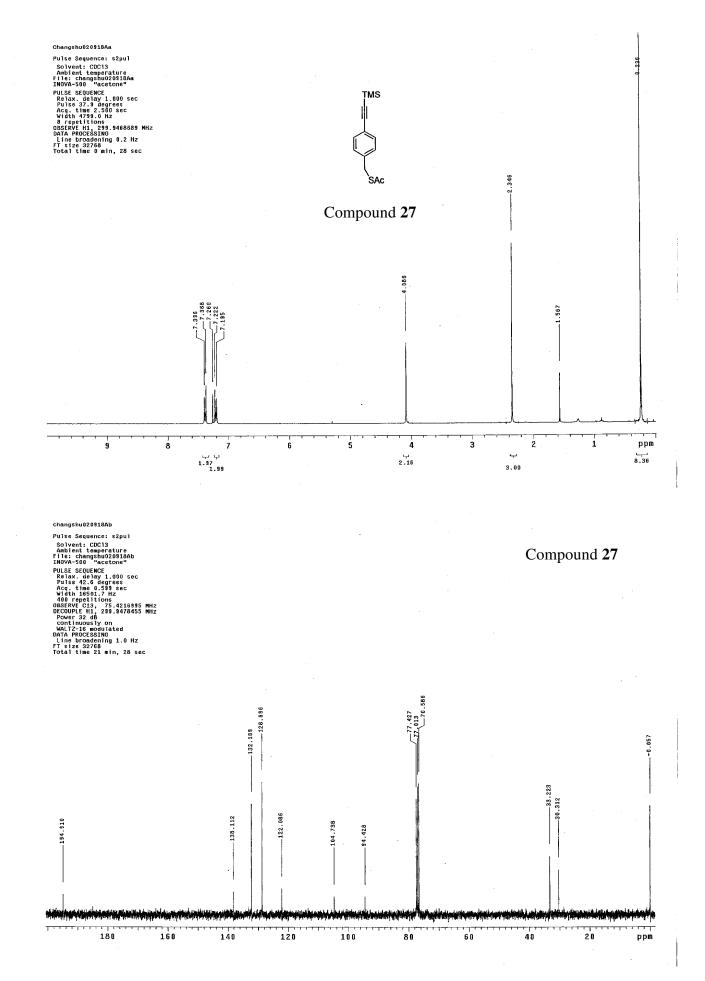




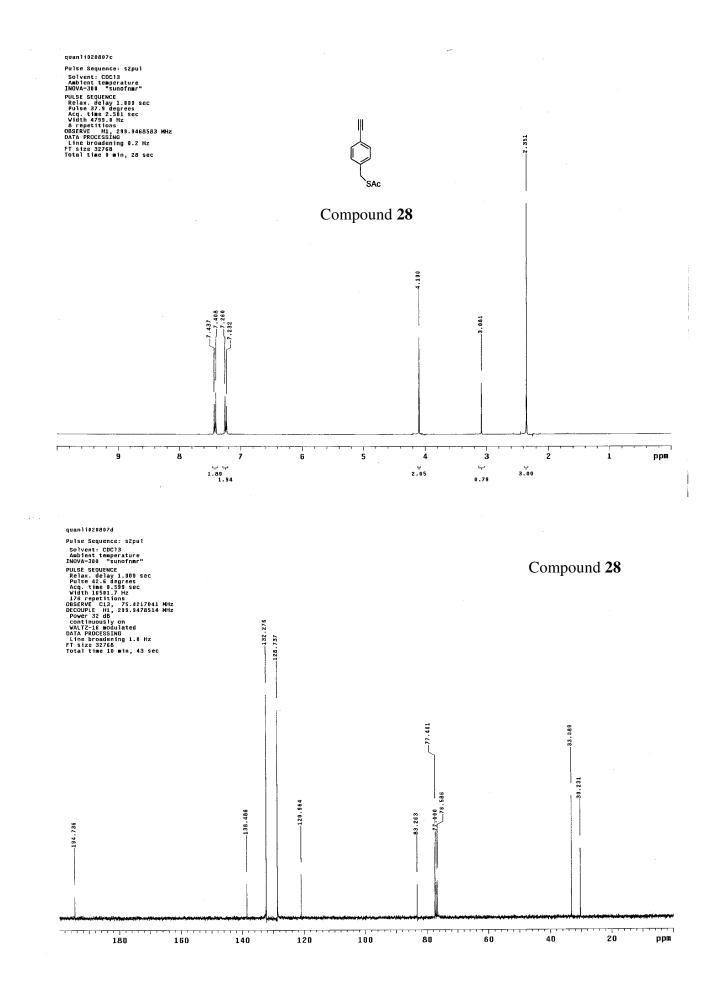


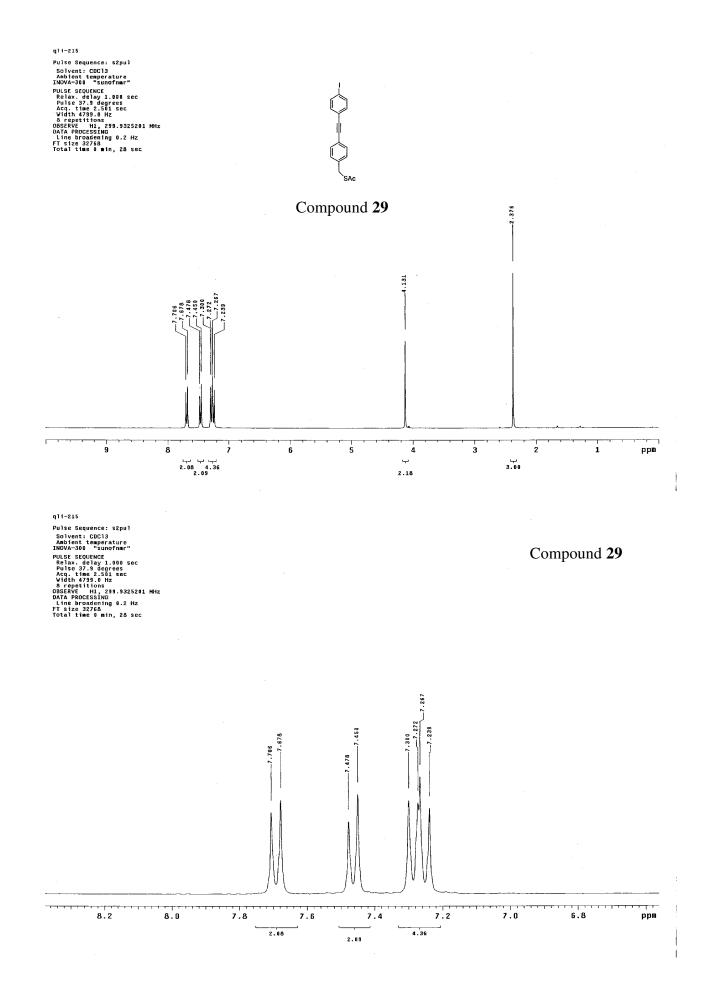


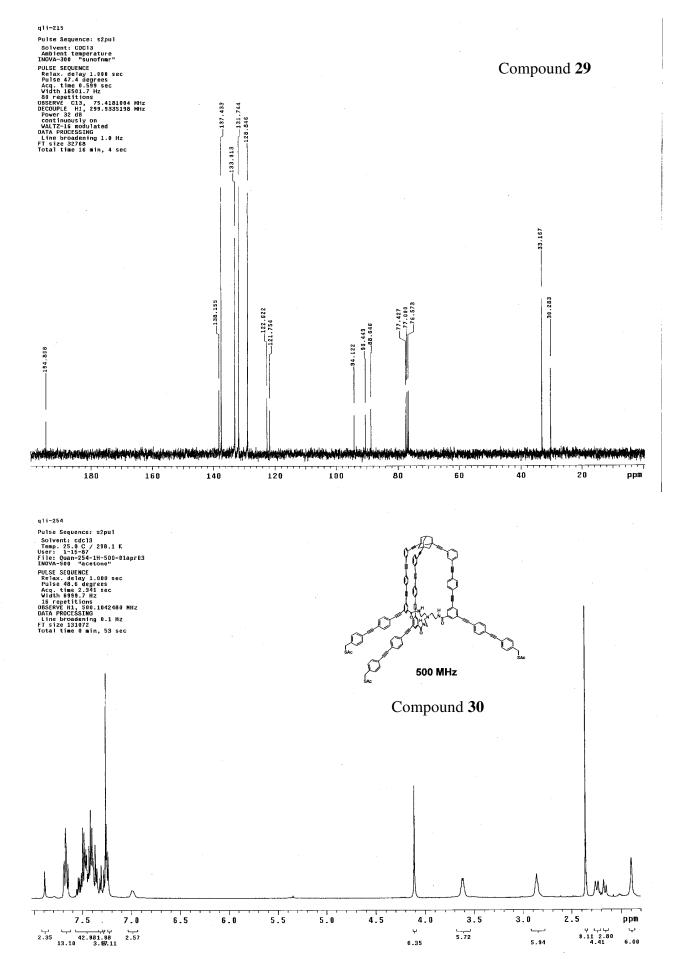


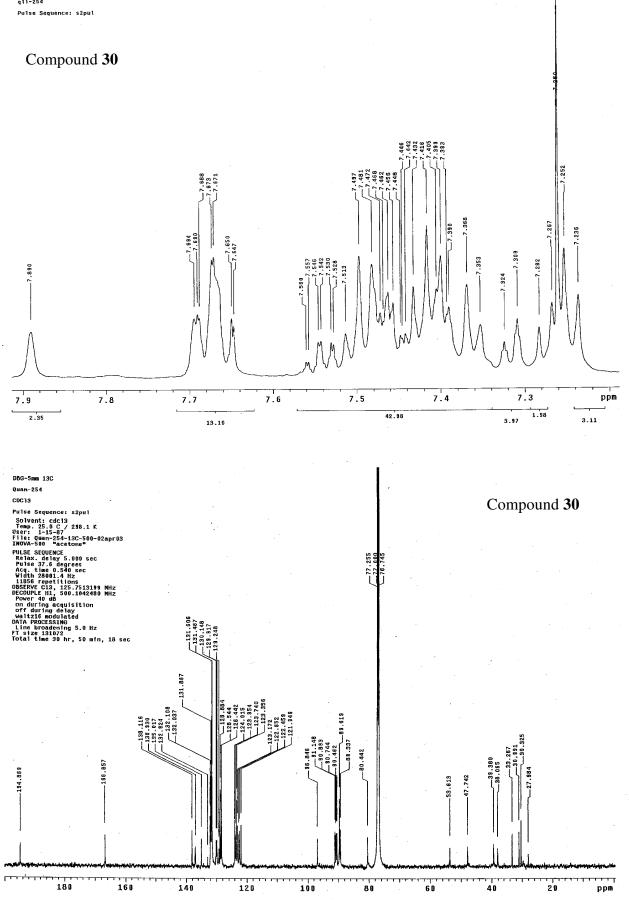


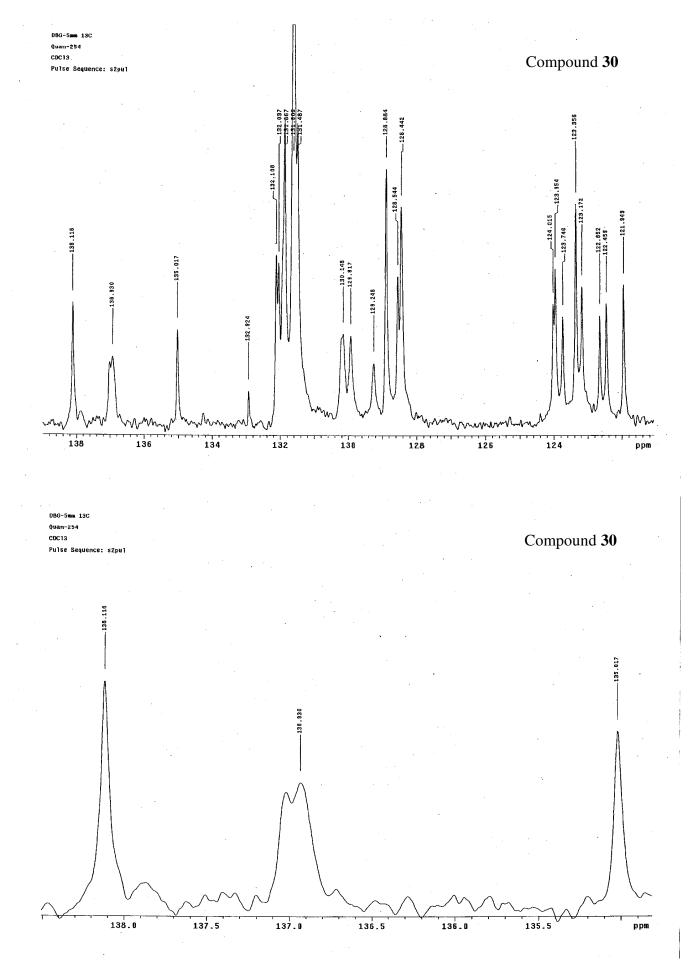






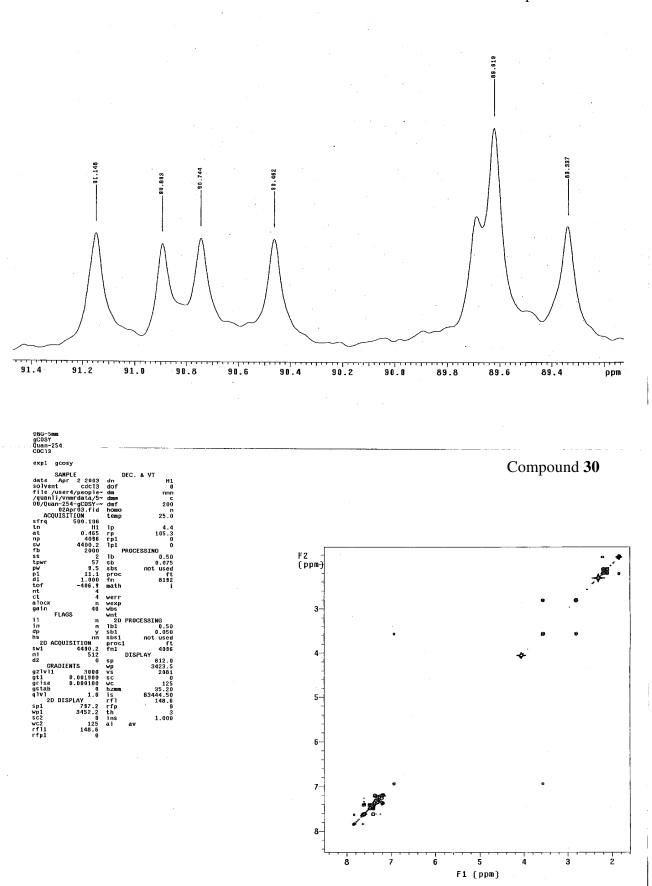


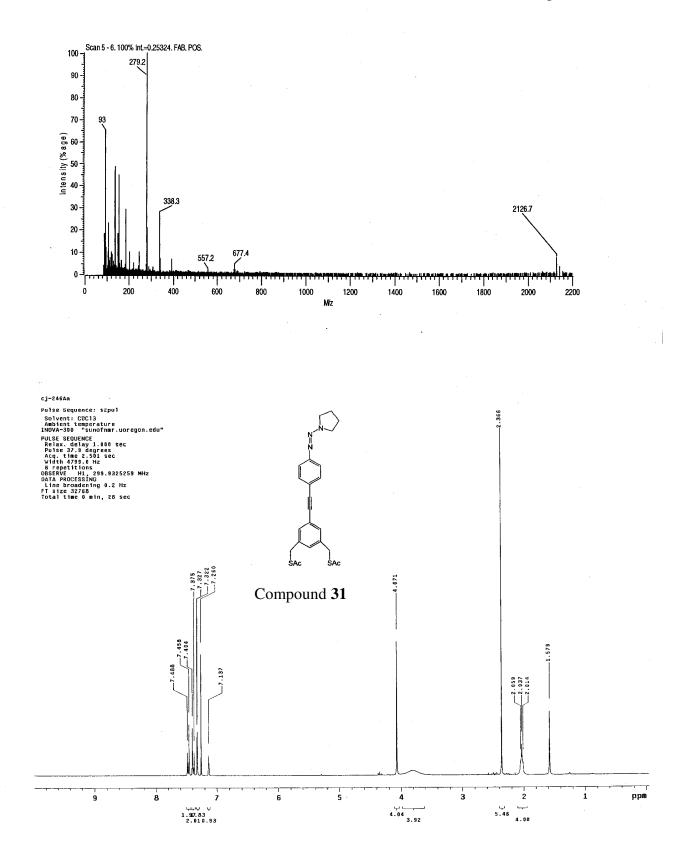


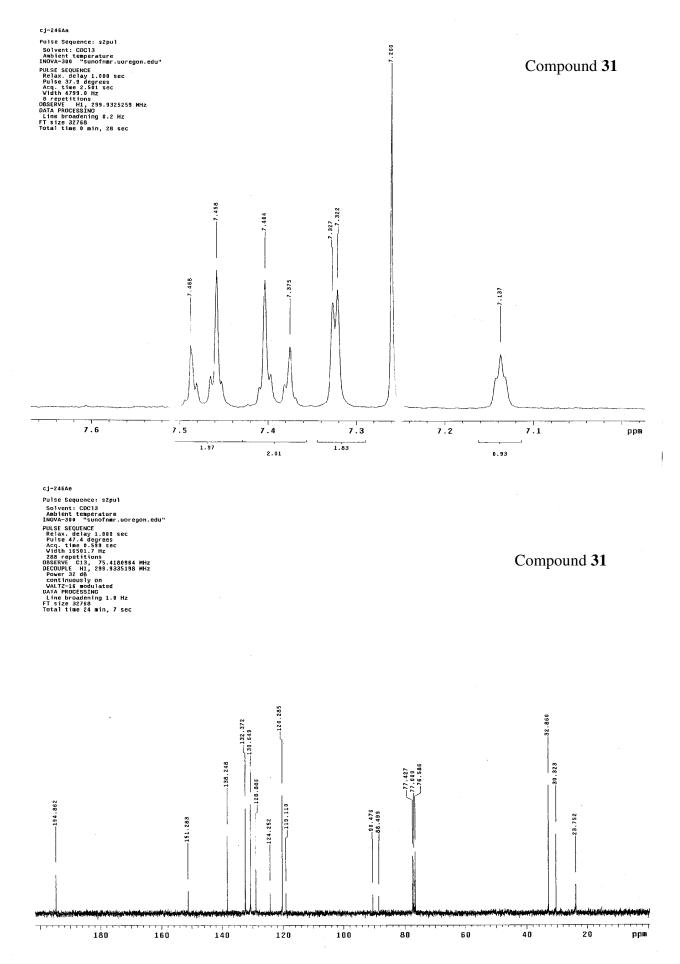


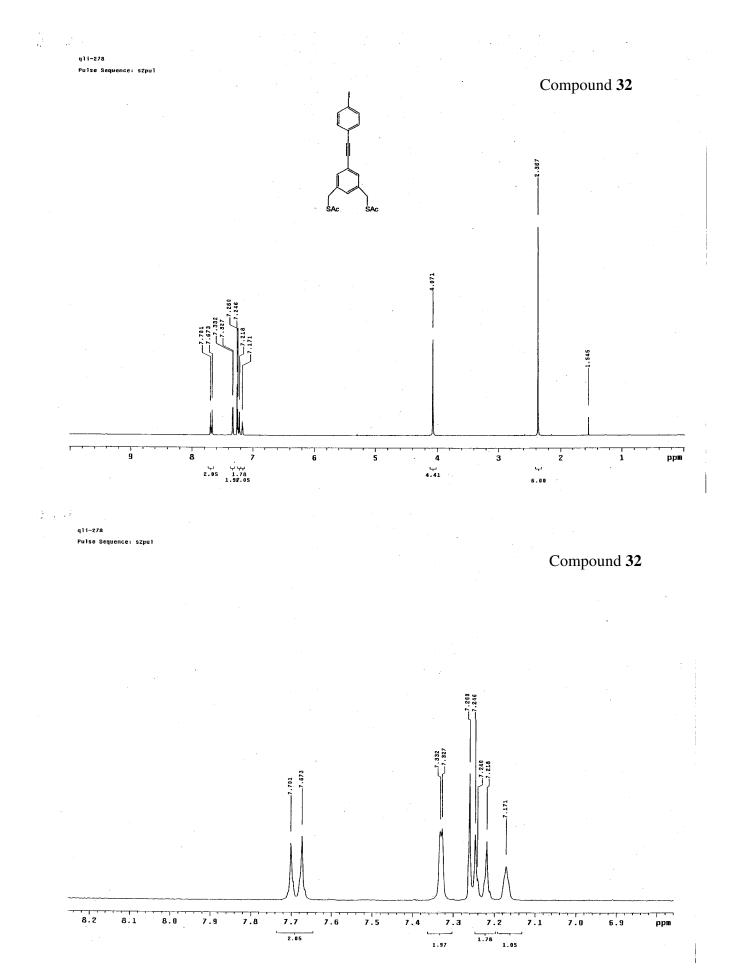
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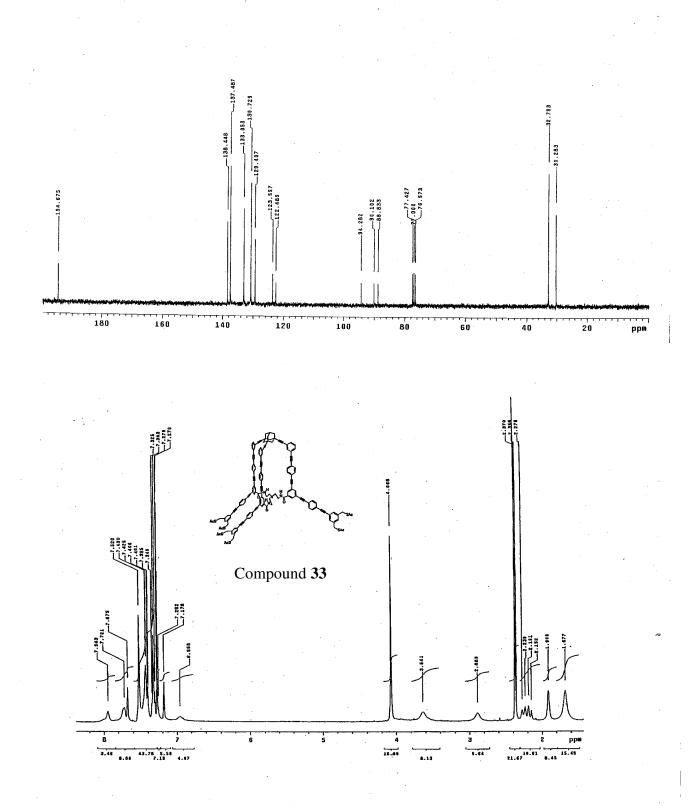








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