Supporting Information

Electrophilic Zinc Homoenolates: Synthesis of Cyclopropylamines from Cyclopropanols and Amines

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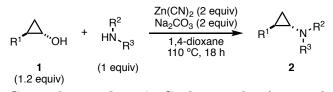
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A. General information

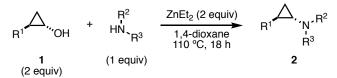
Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were set up on benchtop and run under argon or nitrogen using flame-dried glassware and anhydrous solvents. Anhydrous solvents were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich in Sure/Seal bottles and were used as received. Compounds were purified by flash column chromatography using SiliCycle SilicaFlash P60. Commercial amines were purchased from Acros, Alfa Aesar, Fisher, and Sigma-Aldrich; if liquid the amine was filtered through a plug of alumina (Acros, 50–200 µm, 60A) before use. Diethylzinc was purchased from Sigma–Aldrich as a 1.0 M solution THF and was titrated according to Knochel's protocol.¹ Zinc chloride was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich; before use it was dried at 150 °C for 4 h under vacuum and after cooling to r.t. was made into a 1.0 M solution in THF. Bis(iodozinco)methane was prepared according to the procedure reported by Nomura et al.² Dess-Martin periodinane (DMP) was prepared according to literature procedures.^{3,4} N-chlorosuccinimide (NCS) was purchased from Acros and was recrystallized from AcOH before use. Commercial aldehydes were distilled before use. All other commercial compounds and reagents were used as received. Cyclopropylamine synthesis reactions were performed in 16-mL Fisherbrand threaded tubes (manufacturer no. FB7375016125; Fisher catalog no. 14-959-35A) whose ends were sealed with size-19 rubber septa and electrical tape. Synthesized amines, cyclopropanols, and cyclopropylamines were stored at -20 °C; however, cyclopropanols and cyclopropylamines without aryl substituents at the 2 position were generally bench-stable for several months, as were most tertiary cyclopropylamine products.

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian MercuryPlus 400 MHz or Bruker AvanceIII 400 MHz spectrometers. IR spectra were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum 100 instrument equipped with a single-bounce diamond/ZnSe ATR accessory as solids or thin films. Melting points were obtained on a Fisher-Johns Melting Point Apparatus. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a JEOL AccuTOF JMS-T1000LV mass spectrometer equipped with a Direct Analysis in Real Time (DART) ion source. SFC-HPLC cyclopropanol resolution was performed at Merck & Co., Inc. (2000 Galloping Hill Road, Kenilworth, NJ, USA 07033) using a Diacel Chiralpak column (AD). Chiral HPLC analyses were performed on a Shimadzu 20A series system using a Daicel Chiralpak column (IA or IG).

B. Procedures for the synthesis of cyclopropylamines

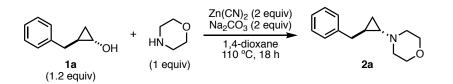


General procedure A: Cyclopropylamine synthesis using zinc cyanide *Caution: When using zinc cyanide care was taken to ensure reaction mixtures were kept basic to avoid formation of toxic HCN gas.* To a 16-mL threaded tube containing a stir bar was added zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and amine (if a solid) (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The tube was sealed with a septum and electrical tape and was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3). If the amine was an oil, the amine was then added, followed by a solution of cyclopropanol in 1,4-dioxane (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred in a 110 °C oil bath. After 18 h the reaction was removed, opened to air, and quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO₃. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (×3). The organic fractions were combined, washed with brine (×1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The *trans/cis* d.r. was determined by ¹H NMR of the crude residue or by GC-MS peak areas in cases where diastereomeric proton signals could not be easily distinguished. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography to isolate the *trans* product.

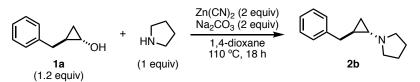


General procedure B: Cyclopropylamine synthesis using diethylzinc To a 12-mL threaded tube was added amine (if a solid) (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The tube was sealed with a septum and electrical tape and was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (\times 3). If the amine was an oil, the amine was then added, followed by a solution of cyclopropanol in 1,4-dioxane (2.0 mL of a 0.20 M solution in dioxane, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). Diethylzinc was added (0.40 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred in a 110 °C oil bath. After 18 h the reaction was removed, opened to air, and quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO₃. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (\times 3). The organic fractions were combined, washed with brine (\times 1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The *trans/cis* d.r. was determined by ¹H NMR of the crude residue or by GC-MS peak areas in cases where diastereomeric proton signals could not be easily distinguished. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography to isolate the *trans* product.

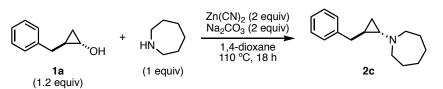
Procedures for racemic scope



4-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)morpholine (2a):** According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine **2a** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), morpholine (17 μL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (20/1/79 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2a** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 38 mg isolated (0.175 mmol, 88%; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 36 mg isolated (0.166 mmol, 83%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.34–7.16 (m, 5H), 3.65–3.56 (m, 4H), 2.64 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.57–2.37 (m, 5H), 1.55 (ddd, *J* = 6.8, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.16–1.05 (m, 1H), 0.75–0.65 (m, 1H), 0.49–0.41 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 141.5, 128.33, 128.28 125.9, 66.9, 53.4, 45.9, 38.5, 21.0, 13.0 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3027, 2957, 2917, 2853, 2806, 1604, 1496, 1450, 1264, 1204, 1116, 1069, 1038, 918, 895, 855, 771, 741, 698 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₄H₂₀NO (M+H) 218.15449; found 218.15505.

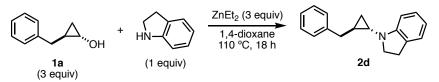


1-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)pyrrolidine (2b):** According to general procedure A cyclopropylamine **2b** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), pyrrolidine (17 μL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (5/95 NEt₃/hexanes) to yield cyclopropylamine **2b** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 35 mg isolated (0.174 mmol, 87%; 5.9:1 d.r.); trial 2: 30 mg isolated (0.149 mmol, 75%; 4.8:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 7.36–7.12 (m, 5H), 2.69–2.40 (m, 6H), 1.79–1.67 (m, 4H), 1.52 (ddd, J = 6.8, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.21–1.09 (m, 1H), 0.77–0.70 (m, 1H), 0.47–0.40 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 141.7, 128.3, 128.2, 125.8, 53.8, 43.0, 38.5, 23.5, 20.4, 13.2 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3027, 2964, 2926, 2909, 2876, 2785, 1496, 1454, 1202, 1145, 920, 740, 697 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** m/z (DART): calcd for C₁₄H₂₀N (M+H) 202.15957; found 202.15986.

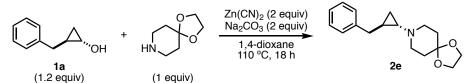


1-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)azepane (2c):** According to general procedure A cyclopropylamine **2c** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), azepane (23 μL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The product was purified by flash column chromatography (10/1/89 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield cyclopropylamine **2c** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 36 mg isolated (0.157 mmol, 79%; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 28 mg isolated (0.115 mmol, 58%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 7.34–7.15 (m, 5H), 2.74–2.44 (m, 6H), 1.78 (ddd, *J* = 6.7, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.66–1.49 (m, 8H), 1.16–1.05 (m, 1H), 0.73–0.63 (m, 1H), 0.46–0.39 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 141.8, 128.4, 128.2, 125.8, 55.5, 45.2, 38.6, 27.6, 27.1,

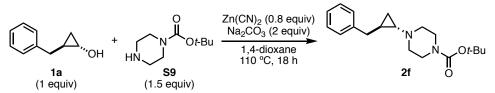
22.3, 14.7 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3027, 2919, 2852, 2806, 1496, 1453, 1384, 1281, 1238, 1164, 1000, 740, 696 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₆H₂₄N (M+H) 230.19087; found 230.19055.



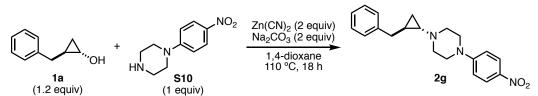
1-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)indoline (2d):** According to general procedure B cyclopropylamine **2d** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (2.0 mL of a 0.30 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv), indoline (22 μL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.60 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The product was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 2/1/97 to 3/1/96 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield cyclopropylamine **2d** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 37 mg isolated (0.148 mmol, 74%; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 36 mg isolated (0.144 mmol, 72%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.38–7.20 (m, 5H), 7.08–7.02 (m, 1H), 7.02–6.94 (m, 1H), 6.71–6.64 (m, 1H), 6.54–6.47 (m, 1H), 3.32–3.18 (m, 2H), 2.90–2.82 (m, 2H), 2.76-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.02 (ddd, *J* = 6.6, 3.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.38–1.24 (m, 1H), 0.96–0.86 (m, 1H) 0.72–0.64 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 152.9, 141.1, 130.4, 128.6, 128.4, 127.1, 126.1, 124.4, 118.3, 108.4, 54.0, 38.4, 37.0, 28.5, 20.6, 13.4 ppm; IR (neat): 3062, 3051, 3027, 2955, 2922, 2849, 1729, 1606, 1486, 1453, 1395, 1374, 1335, 1264, 1214, 1172, 1156, 1072, 1029, 1018, 908, 868, 737, 697 cm⁻¹; HRMS *m/z* (DART): calcd C₁₈H₂₀N (M+H) 250.15957; found 250.15904.



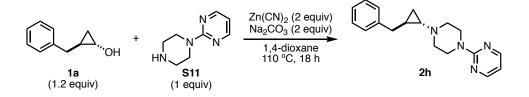
8-(*trans*-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)-1,4-dioxa-8-azaspiro[4.5]decane (2e): According to general procedure A cyclopropylamine 2e was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 4-piperidone ethylene ketal (27 µL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (40/1/59 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield 2e as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 45 mg isolated (0.165 mmol, 83%; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 51 mg isolated (0.187 mmol, 94%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 7.31–7.15 (m, 5H), 3.93 (s, 4H), 2.69–2.47 (m, 5H), 2.39 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 1.69–1.60 (m, 4H), 1.55 (ddd, *J* = 6.9, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.13–1.04 (m, 1H), 0.72–0.65 (m, 1H), 0.48–0.42 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 141.6, 128.4, 128.2, 125.9, 107.3, 64.2, 51.2, 45.2, 38.6, 34.7, 21.5, 13.7 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3027, 2999, 2951, 2928, 2884, 2809, 1603, 1496, 1454, 1228, 1142, 1109, 1078, 1039, 945, 918, 741, 698 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₂ (M+H) 274.18070; found 274.18079.



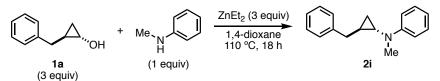
tert-Butyl 4-(*trans*-2-benzylcyclopropyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (2f): According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine 2f was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.10 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), amine S9 (56 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), zinc cyanide (19 mg, 0.16 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 20/79/1 to 30/69/1 EtOAc/hexanes/NEt₃) to yield 2g as a viscous colourless oil. Trial 1: 40 mg isolated (0.126 mmol, 63% yield; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 44 mg isolated (0.139 mmol, 70% yield; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.34–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 3H), 3.39–3.24 (m, 4H), 2.64 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.53–2.28 (m, 5H), 1.55–1.40 (m, 10H), 1.17–1.04 (m, 1H), 0.74–0.65 (m, 1H), 0.52-0.41 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 154.7, 141.5, 128.4, 128.3, 126.0, 79.5, 52.8, 45.6, 38.6, 28.45, 28.43, 21.3, 13.4 ppm; IR (neat): 3003, 2976, 2917, 2861, 2807, 1694, 1454, 1418, 1365, 1248, 1166, 1158, 1124, 1004, 740, 698 cm⁻¹; HRMS *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₉H₂₉N₂O₂ (M+H) 317.22290; found 317.22162.



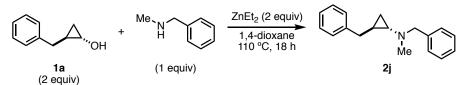
1-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)piperazine (2g):** According to general procedure A cyclopropylamine **2g** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), amine **S10** (41 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 24/1/75 to 34/1/65 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2g** as an orange-yellow solid. Trial 1: 42 mg isolated (0.124 mmol, 62%; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 40 mg isolated (0.119 mmol, 60%; 19:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 8.14–8.07 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.17 (m, 5H), 6.82–6.74 (m, 2H), 3.38–3.26 (m, 4H), 2.75–2.51 (m, 5H), 2.39 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 1.57 (ddd, *J* = 6.8, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.21–1.08 (m, 1H), 0.78–0.71 (m, 1H), 0.56–0.48 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 154.9, 141.5, 138.3, 128.4, 126.0, 125.9, 112.6, 52.4, 47.0, 45.3, 38.5, 21.5, 13.4 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3059, 2998, 2949, 2902, 2886, 2849, 2821, 1587, 1487, 1446, 1315, 1241, 1233, 1153, 1106, 1028, 932, 828, 753, 733, 690 cm⁻¹; **m.p.**: 134–135 °C; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₂₀H₂₄N₃O₂ (M+H) 338.18685; found 338.18709.



2-(4-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)piperazin-1-yl)pyrimidine (2h):** According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine **2h** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), amine **S11** (33 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 40/1/59 to 50/1/49 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2h** as a colourless oil (sample contained a small amount (<5%) of *cis* isomer). Trial 1: 39 mg isolated (0.132 mmol, 66%; 15:1 d.r.); trial 2: 42 mg isolated (0.143 mmol, 72%; 15:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 8.28 (d, *J* = 4.7, 2H), 7.34–7.15 (m, 5H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78–3.69 (m, 4H), 2.70–2.38 (m, 6H), 1.54 (ddd, *J* = 6.8, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.23–1.08 (m, 1H), 0.79–0.72 (m, 1H), 0.51–0.45 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 161.6, 157.7, 141.5, 128.4, 128.3, 125.9, 109.6, 52.9, 45.6, 43.5, 38.6, 21.2, 13.4 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3065, 3027, 2999, 2036, 2909, 2852, 2806, 1583, 1546, 1494, 1445, 1392, 1356, 1306, 1256, 982, 962, 796, 741, 698 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₈H₂₃N₄ (M+H) 295.19227; found 295.19243.

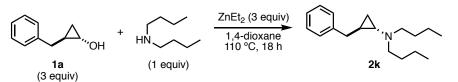


N-(*trans*-2-benzylcyclopropyl)-*N*-methylaniline (2i): According to general procedure B, cyclopropylamine 2i was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.30 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv), *N*-methylaniline (22 μL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.60 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (4/95/1 EtOAc/hexanes/NEt₃) to yield 2i as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 40 mg isolated (0.169 mmol, 85% yield; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 34 mg isolated (0.143 mmol, 72%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.38–7.15 (m, 7H), 6.92–6.83 (m, 2H), 6.78–6.70 (m, 1H), 2.90–2.78 (m, 4H), 2.65 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.31–2.24 (m, 1H), 1.35–1.24 (m, 1H), 0.94–0.75 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 150.5, 140.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 126.2, 117.3, 113.7, 40.1, 38.8, 38.4, 23.6, 16.3 ppm; IR (neat): 3063, 3026, 3001, 2921, 2854, 1600, 1576, 1497, 1472, 1453, 1392, 1340, 1331, 1301, 1233, 1188, 1115, 1031, 990, 749, 691 cm⁻¹; HRMS *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₇H₂₀N (M+H) 238.15957; found 238.15904.

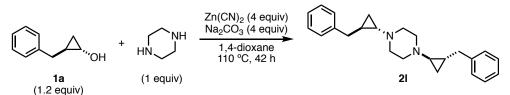


N-(*trans*-2-benzylcyclopropyl)-*N*-methylbenzylamine (2j): According to general procedure B, cyclopropylamine 2j was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), *N*-methylbenzylamine (26 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.40 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (10:89:1 EtOAc/hexanes/NEt₃) to yield 2j as a yellow oil. Trial 1: 37 mg isolated (0.147 mmol, 74% yield; 14:1 d.r.); trial 2: 36 mg isolated (0.143 mmol, 72%; 13:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.38-7.11 (m, 10H), 3.64–3.51 (m, 2H), 2.51 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.64–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.17–1.07 (m, 1H), 0.74–0.67 (m, 1H), 0.50–0.43 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

CDCl₃, 298 K) $\delta_{\rm H}$ 141.6, 138.5, 129.3, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 126.8, 125.9, 60.1, 45.6, 41.8, 38.5, 22.4, 14.5 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3064, 3027, 3001, 2977, 2917, 2884, 2837, 2782, 1603, 1495, 1452, 1363, 1227, 1075, 1049, 1029, 928, 734, 696 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m*/*z* (DART): calcd for C₁₈H₂₂N (M+H) 252.17522; found 252.17525.



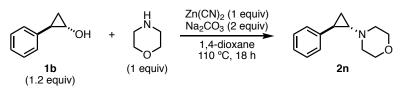
trans-2-Benzyl-*N*,*N*-dibutylcyclopropan-1-amine (2k): According to general procedure B, cyclopropylamine 2k was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.30 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv), dibutylamine (34 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.60 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (5/95 NEt₃/hexanes) to yield 2l as a yellow oil. This sample contained some *cis* isomer (ca. 10%). Trial 1: 25 mg isolated (0.0964 mmol, 48%; 10:1 d.r.); trial 2: 31 mg isolated (0.119 mmol, 60%; 12:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.35–7.15 (m, 5H), 2.63–2.36 (m, 5H), 1.59 (ddd, *J* = 6.9, 3.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.42–1.01 (m, 10H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 6H), 0.71–0.63 (m, 1H), 0.48–0.40 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 100 MHz): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 141.6, 128.4, 128.2, 125.8, 54.9, 43.6, 38.7, 28.7, 21.8, 20.8, 14.3, 14.0 ppm; IR (neat): 3028, 2956, 2928, 2871, 2860, 2806, 1605, 1496, 1465, 1454, 1377, 1173, 1094, 1078, 1030, 740, 697 cm⁻¹; HRMS m/z (DART): calcd for C₁₈H₃₀N (M+H) 260.23782; found 260.23752.



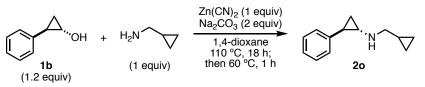
1,4-Bis(trans-2-benzylcyclopropyl)piperazine (21): Cyclopropylamine 21 was prepared according to general procedure A with the modification that the reaction was stopped after 42 h. The following amounts of reagent were used: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.22 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.44 mmol, 2.2 equiv), piperazine (17 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (94 mg, 0.80 mmol, 4.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (85 mg, 0.80 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (5/95 NEt₃/hexanes) to yield the mixture of trans, trans-21 and cis, trans-21 as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 30 mg isolated (0.087 mmol, 44%; d.r. = 95:4:<1 *trans,trans/cis,trans/cis,cis*); trial 2: 30 mg isolated (0.087 mmol, 44%; 95:4:<1 trans, trans/cis, trans/cis, cis). The isolated mixture could be further subjected to flash column chromatography (20/1/79 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to partially separate the major diastereomer *trans,trans*-21 as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.34–7.15 (m, 10H), 2.66-2.15 (m, 12H), 1.52-1.44 (m, 2H), 1.14-1.02 (m, 2H), 0.72-0.62 (m, 2H), 0.47-0.38 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 141.6, 128.3, 128.2, 125.9, 52.9, 45.6, 38.6, 21.0, 13.2 ppm; IR (neat): 3026, 3000, 2936, 2900, 2883, 2805, 1495, 1451, 1372, 1270, 1211, 1143, 1032, 926, 738, 696 cm⁻¹; m.p.: 49–51 °C; HRMS m/z (DART): calcd for C₂₄H₃₁N₂ (M+H) 347.24872; found 347.24786.



trans-N,2-Dibenzylcyclopropan-1-amine (2m): Cyclopropylamine 2m was prepared according to general procedure A with the modification that after 18 h at 110 °C the reaction was stirred for an additional 1 h at 60 °C to push the cyclopropylamine/imine equilibrium towards cyclopropylamine product. The following amounts of reagent were used: cyclopropanol 1a (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), benzylamine (22 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 8/2 to 7/3 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield 2m as a yellow oil. Trial 1: 26 mg isolated (0.110 mmol, 55%; 4.9:1 d.r.); trial 2: 21 mg isolated (0.088 mmol, 44%; 5.1:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.34–7.17 (m, 10H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 2.60–2.44 (m, 2H), 2.05 (ddd, J = 6.8, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.82 (br s, 1H), 1.14–1.04 (m, 1H), 0.70–0.64 (m, 1H), 0.47–0.40 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 141.7, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 126.8, 125.9, 53.6, 38.4, 37.2, 21.5, 13.8 ppm; IR (neat): 3085, 3063, 3027, 3000, 2919, 2848, 1648, 1603, 1495, 1453, 1393, 1158, 1074, 1029, 731, 695 cm⁻¹; HRMS *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₇H₂₀N (M+H) 238.15957; found 238.15966.

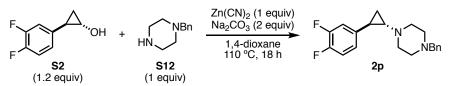


4-(*trans***-2-Phenylcyclopropyl)morpholine (2n):** According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine **2n** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1b** (32 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), morpholine (17.5 μL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (23 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 1,4-dioxane (1.0 mL, 0.10 M). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (6/4 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield cyclopropylamine **2n** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 25 mg isolated (0.123 mmol, 62%; 7.2:1 d.r.); trial 2: 27 mg isolated (0.133 mmol, 67%; 7.2:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 7.29–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 1H), 7.09–7.04 (m, 2H), 3.75–3.63 (m, 4H), 2.71–2.60 (m, 4H), 2.04–1.96 (m, 1H), 1.93–1.87 (m, 1H), 1.15–1.08 (m, 1H), 1.00–0.93 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 141.9, 128.3, 126.0, 125.7, 66.9, 53.4, 49.0, 24.2, 16.1 ppm; **IR** (neat): 2957, 2934, 2901, 2853, 2807, 1605, 1498, 1450, 1440, 1372, 1263, 1205, 1115, 1070, 959, 883, 872, 781, 748, 696 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₃H₁₈NO (M+H) 204.13884; found 204.13886.

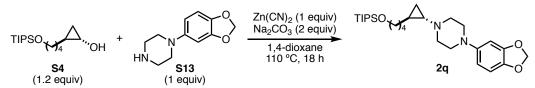


trans-N-(Cyclopropylmethyl)-2-phenylcyclopropan-1-amine (20): Cyclopropylamine 20 was prepared according to general procedure A with the modification that after 18 h at 110 °C the reaction was stirred for 1 h at 60 °C to push the cyclopropylamine/imine equilibrium towards

cyclopropylamine product. The following amounts of reagent were used: cyclopropanol **1b** (32 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), cyclopropanemethylamine (17 µL, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (23 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 1,4-dioxane (2.0 mL, 0.10 M). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (60/1/39 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield cyclopropylamine **2o** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 20 mg isolated (0.107 mmol, 54%; 10:1 d.r.); trial 2: 15 mg isolated (0.080 mmol, 40%; 10:1 d.r.). ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.29–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.11 (m, 1H), 7.07–7.01 (m, 2H), 2.65–2.52 (m, 2H), 2.39 (ddd, *J* = 7.3, 4.4, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 1.96–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.13–1.05 (m, 1H), 1.01–0.93 (m, 1H), 0.51–0.43 (m, 2H), 0.14–0.08 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 100 MHz): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 142.4, 128.2, 125.8, 125.4, 54.6, 41.4, 25.2, 17.1, 11.3, 3.4, 3.4 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3078, 3026, 3002, 2925, 2854, 2816, 1674, 1650, 1604, 1497, 1459, 1430, 1381, 1216, 1075, 1016, 827, 745, 695 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m*/*z* (DART): calcd for C₁₃H₁₈N (M+H) 188.14392; found 188.14365.

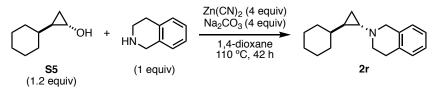


1-Benzyl-4-(trans-2-(3,4-difluorophenyl)cyclopropyl)piperazine (2p): According to general procedure A cyclopropylamine 2p was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol S2 (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), amine S12 (35 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (23 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (10/1/89 AcMe/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2p** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 29 mg isolated (0.088 mmol, 44%; 10:1 d.r.); trial 2: 34 mg isolated (0.104 mmol, 52%; 8.2:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.36–7.18 (m, 5H), 7.06–6.95 (m, 1H), 6.86–6.73 (m, 2H), 3.57–3.46 (m, 2H), 2.75–2.24 (m, 8H), 1.92 (ddd, J = 9.2, 5.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, J = 7.3, 4.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.14–1.05 (m, 1H), 0.92–0.83 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 150.4 (dd, J = 245.8, 12.7 Hz), 148.6 (dd, J = 243.9, 12.6 Hz), 139.2 (dd, J = 5.9, 3.6 Hz), 137.9, 129.2, 128.2, 127.1, 122.0 (dd, J = 5.9, 3.3 Hz), 116.9 (d, J = 16.9 Hz), 114.9 (d, J =17.4 Hz), 63.0, 52.89, 52.87, 48.8, 23.8 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 16.5 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3065, 3028, 2937, 2909, 2991, 2809, 2766, 1678, 1606, 1520, 1454, 1424, 1350, 1275, 1268, 1209, 1140, 1118, 1011, 928, 866, 814, 771, 736, 697 cm⁻¹; HRMS m/z (DART): calcd for C₂₀H₂₃F₂N₂ (M+H) 329.18293; found 329.18231.

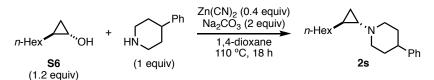


1-(Benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-4-(*trans*-2-(4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)butyl)cyclopropyl)-piperazine (2q): According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine 2q was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol S4 (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), amine S13 (41 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (47 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (5/95 NEt₃/hexanes) to yield 2q as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 64 mg isolated (0.135 mmol, 68%); trial 2: 72 mg isolated (0.152 mmol, 76%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR

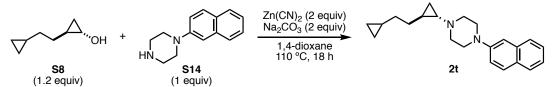
(400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.72–6.67 (m, 1H), 6.56–6.53 (m, 1H), 6.37–6.32 (m, 1H), 5.88 (s, 2H), 3.67 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.04–2.98 (m, 4H), 2.75–2.69 (m, 4H), 1.63–0.73 (m, 29H), 0.63–0.55 (m, 1H), 0.33–0.25 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 148.1, 147.6, 141.4, 109.0, 108.1, 100.8, 99.9, 63.4, 53.2, 50.8, 45.7, 32.8, 32.5, 25.7, 19.9, 18.0, 13.0, 12.0 ppm; **IR** (neat): 2939, 2890, 2864, 2815, 1632, 1616, 1505, 1490, 1462, 1452, 1380, 1242, 1211, 1041, 958, 937, 882, 794, 733, 680 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m*/*z* (DART): calcd for C₂₇H₄₇N₂O₃Si (M+H) 475.33559; found 475.33493.



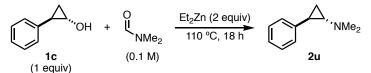
2-(*trans***-2-Cyclohexylcyclopropyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (2r):** Cyclopropylamine **2r** was prepared according to general procedure A with the modification that the reaction was stirred for 42 h. The following amounts of reagent were used: cyclopropanol **S5** (2.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (25 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (94 mg, 0.80 mmol, 4.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (85 mg, 0.80 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The product was purified by flash column chromatography (4:1:95 EtOAc/Net₃/hexanes) to yield **2r** as a colourless oil. Trial 1: 34 mg isolated (0.151 mmol, 76%; >20:1 d.r.); trial 2: 33 mg isolated (0.146 mmol, 73%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.18–7.00 (m, 4H), 3.90–3.62 (m, 2H), 2.99–2.80 (m, 4H), 1.91–1.58 (m, 5H), 1.54 (ddd, *J* = 6.8, 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.36–0.81 (m, 6H), 0.78–0.51 (m, 2H), 0.42–0.34 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 134.3, 128.7, 126.6, 126.6, 126.0, 125.6, 55.9, 50.9, 44.3, 41.0, 33.0, 32.6, 28.9, 26.9, 26.5, 26.2, 12.1 ppm; IR (neat): 2920, 2849, 2789, 2737, 1498, 1448, 1382, 1279, 1240, 1150, 940, 935, 880, 861, 738 cm⁻¹; HRMS *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₈H₂₆N (M+H) 256.20652; found 256.20646.



1-(*trans***-2-Hexylcyclopropyl)-4-phenylpiperidine (2s):** According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine **2s** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **S6** (4.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.48 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 4-phenylpiperidine (65 mg, 0.40 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (19 mg, 0.16 mmol, 0.40 equiv), and sodium carbonate (85 mg, 0.80 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was adsorbed onto silica and purified by flash column chromatography (5/1/94 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2s** as a colourless oil (80 mg, 0.280 mmol, 70%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 7.34–7.14 (m, 5H), 3.21–3.07 (m, 2H), 2.57–2.44 (m, 1H), 2.34–2.16 (m, 2H), 1.88–1.63 (m, 3H), 1.45–0.98 (m, 12H), 0.95–0.75 (m, 4H), 0.66–0.55 (m, 1H), 0.33–0.23 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 146.6, 128.4, 126.9, 126.1, 54.7, 54.2, 46.3, 42.9, 33.4, 32.9, 31.9, 29.7, 29.4, 29.2, 22.7, 20.0, 14.1, 13.2 ppm; **IR** (neat): 2955, 2921, 2853, 2790, 1494, 1455, 1380, 1254, 1024, 755, 697 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₂₀H₃₂N (M+H) 286.25348; found 286.25412.

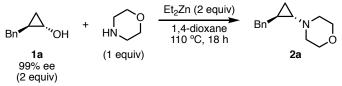


1-(*trans***-2-(2-Cyclopropylethyl)cyclopropyl)-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)piperazine (2t):** According to general procedure A, cyclopropylamine **2t** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **S8** (1.0 mL of a 0.12 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), amine **S14** (21 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (23 mg, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and sodium carbonate (21 mg, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (5/95 NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2t** as a white solid. Trial 1: 16 mg isolated (0.050 mmol, 50%; 4.6:1 d.r.); trial 2: 23 mg isolated (0.072 mmol, 72%; 6.7:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.75–7.65 (m, 3H), 7.42–7.35 (m, 1H), 7.32–7.23 (m, 2H), 7.13–7.09 (m, 1H), 3.31–3.20 (m, 4H), 2.85–2.72 (m, 4H) 1.45–1.18 (m, 5H), 0.94–0.83 (m, 1H), 0.76–0.60 (m, 2H), 0.46–0.29 (m, 3H), 0.06–0.02 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 149.2, 134.6, 128.6, 128.4, 127.4, 126.7, 126.2, 123.3, 119.4, 110.2, 53.1, 49.5, 45.9, 34.5, 32.7, 19.8, 13.1, 10.7, 4.5, 4.5 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3074, 2998, 2918, 2849, 2825, 1626, 1597, 1508, 1448, 1384, 1272, 1255, 1223, 1199, 1149, 1014, 963, 826, 805, 742 cm⁻¹; **m.p.**: 50–52 °C; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₂₂H₂₉N₂ (M+H) 321.23307; found 321.23266.



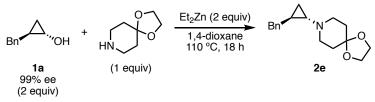
trans-N,N-Dimethyl-2-phenylcyclopropan-1-amine (2u): Cyclopropylamine 2u was prepared according to general procedure B with the modification that DMF was used both as solvent and amine source. The following amounts of reagent were used: cyclopropanol 1c (81 mg, 0.60 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMF (3.0 mL, 0.20 M), and diethylzinc (1.2 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 1.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (Et₂O) to yield 2u as a colourless oil. Due to the volatility of the product, the yield was determined by ¹H NMR of the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.34 mmol, 57%; 8.4:1 d.r.). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports: ⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.49–7.05 (m, 5H), 2.42 (s, 6H), 2.01 (ddd, *J* = 9.2, 5.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.83 (ddd, *J* = 7.2, 4.5, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.18–1.08 (m, 1H), 1.03–0.95 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 142.1, 128.2, 126.1, 125.6, 53.4, 50.2, 45.0, 25.2, 17.2 ppm.

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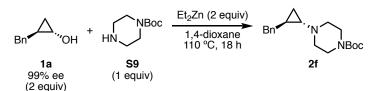


4-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)morpholine (2a):** According to general procedure B, enantioenrichd cyclopropylamine **2a** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (99% ee; 0.50 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv),

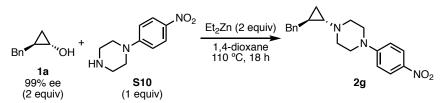
morpholine (4.4 µL, 0.050 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.10 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (20/1/79 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2a**. The yield was determined by GC-MS analysis of the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.047 mmol, 93%, >20:1 d.r.). **Chiral HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, 98/2 hexanes/IPA, 0.7 mL/min, $\lambda = 215$ nm): t_R (major): 7.42 min; t_R (minor): 7.19 min; 89% ee, 90% es.



8-(trans-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)-1,4-dioxa-8-azaspiro[4.5]decane (2e): According to general procedure B, enantioenriched cyclopropylamine **2e** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (99% ee; 0.50 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv), 4-piperidone ethylene ketal (6.4 μ L, 0.050 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.10 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (40/1/59 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2e**. The yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.050 mmol, >99%, >20:1 d.r.). **Chiral HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, 99/1 hexanes/IPA, 0.7 mL/min, $\lambda = 207$ nm): *t*_R (major): 13.13 min; *t*_R (minor): 14.08 min; 88% ee, 89% es.

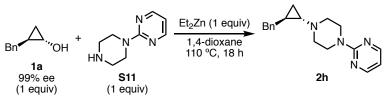


tert-Butyl 4-(*trans*-2-benzylcyclopropyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (2f): According to general procedure B, enantioenriched cyclopropylamine 2f was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (99% ee; 0.40 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.080 mmol, 2.0 equiv), amine S9 (7.5 mg, 0.040 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.080 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.080 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.036 mmol, 91%, >20:1 d.r.). Chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IG, 98/2 hexanes/THF, 0.7 mL/min, $\lambda = 217$ nm): t_R (major): 23.43 min; t_R (minor): 22.46 min; 90% ee, 91% es.

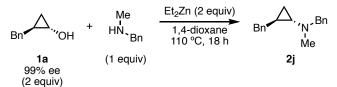


1-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)piperazine (2g):** According to general procedure B, enantioenriched cyclopropylamine 2g was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (99% ee, 0.40 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.080 mmol, 2.0 equiv), amine **S10** (8.3 mg, 0.040 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.080 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.080 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of

the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.018 mmol, 45%, >20:1 d.r.). Chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IG, 90/10 hexanes/IPA, 0.7 mL/min, $\lambda = 354$ nm): t_R (major): 32.73 min; t_R (minor): 31.71 min; 92% ee, 93% es.

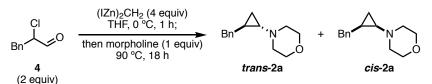


2-(4-(*trans*-**2-Benzylcyclopropyl)piperazin-1-yl)pyrimidine (2h):** According to general procedure B, enantioenriched cyclopropylamine **2h** was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol **1a** (99% ee; 0.50 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), amine **S11** (16 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.10 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatograph (40/1/59 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2h**. The yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.087 mmol, 87%, >20:1 d.r.). **Chiral HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, 98.9/1/0.1 hexanes/IPA/diethylamine, 0.7 mL/min, $\lambda = 251$ nm): t_R (major): 12.56 min; t_R (minor): 12.18 min; 91% ee, 92% es.



N-(*trans*-2-benzylcyclopropyl)-*N*-methylbenzylamine (2j): According to general procedure B, enantioenriched cyclopropylamine 2j was prepared using the following amounts of reagent: cyclopropanol 1a (99% ee; 0.40 mL of a 0.20 M solution in 1,4-dioxane, 0.080 mmol, 2.0 equiv), *N*-benzylmethylamine (5.2 µL, 0.040 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diethylzinc (0.080 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.080 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude residue using dodecane as internal standard (0.040 mmol, >99%, >20:1 d.r.). Chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IG, 98/2 hexanes/THF, 0.7 mL/min, $\lambda = 190$ nm): t_R (major): 6.30 min; t_R (minor): 6.83 min; 88% ee, 89% es.

Procedures for one-pot cyclopropanol synthesis from α-chloroaldehydes



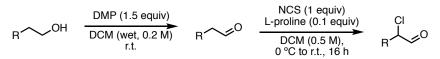
4-(*trans***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)morpholine (2a):** To a flame-dried 1-dram reaction vial was added α -chloroaldehyde **4** (34 mg, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The vial was closed with a septum-cap and was rigorously sealed with electrical tape. The vial was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3) and cooled to 0 °C. Bis(iodozinco)methane (2.1 mL of a 0.19 M solution in THF, 0.40 mmol, 4.0 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. Then, morpholine (8.7 μ L, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred at 90 °C for 18 h. The

reaction was cooled to r.t., opened to air, and quenched with sat. aq. NH₄Cl. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (\times 3), and the organic fractions were combined, washed with sat. aq. NaHCO₃, H₂O, and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (24/1/75 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield **2a** (17 mg, 0.78 mmol, 78%; d.r. before purification = 4.7:1).

4-(*cis***-2-Benzylcyclopropyl)morpholine (***cis***-2a): To a flame-dried 100-mL Schlenk flask was added α-chloroaldehyde 4** (0.67 g, 4.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The flask was sealed with a septum and was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3). The septum was rigorously sealed with electrical tape. Bis(iodozinco)methane (35 mL of a 0.23 M solution in THF, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C. Morpholine (0.17 mL, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred at 90 °C for 18 h. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (×3), and the organic fractions were combined, washed with sat. aq. NaHCO₃, H₂O, and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (10/1/89 EtOAc/NEt₃/hexanes) to yield *cis*-2a as a colourless oil (33 mg, 0.15 mmol, 8%; d.r. before purification = 5.1:1 *trans/cis*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 7.37–7.07 (m, 5H), 3.75–3.59 (m, 4H), 2.94 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.61–2.45 (m, 4H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 1H), 1.18–1.06 (m, 1H), 0.74–0.66 (m, 1H), 0.26–0.19 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 142.8, 128.3, 128.2, 125.6, 67.1, 54.0, 43.1, 33.0, 19.0, 11.0 ppm.

C. Preparation of cyclopropanol starting materials

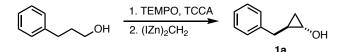
General procedure C: α -Chloroaldehyde synthesis from alcohols using TEMPO and TCCA. The procedure follows that reported by Jing et al.⁶ To a flask were added TEMPO (0.060 equiv) and DCM (reagent grade, 0.10 M). The solution was cooled to 0 °C and alcohol (1.0 equiv) was added. Trichloroisocyanuric acid (TCCA) was added in three portions over 10 min (0.80 equiv). After addition, the reaction was warmed to r.t. and stirred open to air until conversion to α -chloroaldehyde was complete. The solution was diluted with pentane, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to yield crude α -chloroaldehyde. These materials could be stored neat at -20 °C for ca. 1 week before degradation was apparent.



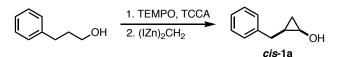
General procedure D: Two-step α -chloroaldehyde synthesis from alcohols using DMP then NCS and L-proline. To a flask were added DCM (reagent grade, 0.20 M), alcohol (1.0 equiv), and DMP (1.5 equiv). The reaction was stirred open to air until full conversion of alcohol was observed. Then, the solution was washed with 10% aq. Na₂S₂O₃ (×2), sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (×2), H₂O (×1), and brine (×1). The solution was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. Conversion of aldehyde to α -chloroaldehyde was performed according to the procedure reported by Halland et al.⁷ The crude aldehyde material was transferred to a flame-dried flask. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3) and DCM (0.50 M) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and both NCS (1.0 equiv) and L-proline (0.10 equiv) were added at once. The reaction was stirred under nitrogen for 16 h while the ice bath was allowed to slowly warm to r.t. The solution was diluted with pentane, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to yield crude α -chloroaldehyde.

$$\mathbb{R}^{\mathsf{CI}} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{O}} \mathbb{O} \xrightarrow{(\mathsf{IZn})_2\mathsf{CH}_2 (1.5 \text{ equiv})}{\mathsf{THF}, 0 \, {}^\circ\mathsf{C}, 1 \, \mathsf{h}} \mathbb{R}^{\mathsf{O}}, \mathbb{O} \mathsf{H}$$

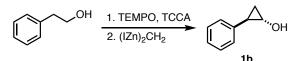
General procedure E: Conversion of α -chloroaldehydes to cyclopropanols using bis(iodozinco)methane. The procedure used follows that reported by Cheng et al.⁸ The crude α -chloroaldehyde material (1.0 equiv) was transferred to a flame-dried flask. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3) and put into a 0 °C ice bath. Bis(iodozinco)methane was added in 10 mL portions over 10 min (1.5 equiv). The reaction was stirred under nitrogen for 1 h at 0 °C. The reaction was opened to air and quenched at 0 °C with sat. aq. NH₄Cl. The solution was extracted with Et₂O (×3). The organic fractions were combined, washed with brine (×1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. Cyclopropanol was purified by flash column chromatography to yield the *trans* isomer; d.r. of the reaction was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture.



trans-2-Benzylcyclopropanol (1a): According to general procedures C and E, cyclopropanol 1a was prepared with the following details: Step 1: 3-Phenyl-1-propanol (3.5 mL, 26 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TEMPO (0.24 g, 1.6 mmol, 0.060 equiv), TCCA (4.8 g, 21 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and DCM (260 mL, 0.10 M). The reaction was run in a 500-mL flask and was stopped after 3 h. The organic filtrate was further washed with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (\times 2), H₂O (\times 1), and brine (\times 2). Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (200 mL of a 0.17 M solution in THF, 34 mmol, 1.3 equiv). The reaction was run in a 500-mL flask. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 8/2 to 7/3 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield 1a as a light yellow oil (1.8 g, 12 mmol, 46%) over 2 steps; d.r. before purification = 9.4:1 *trans/cis*). 1a was resolved by SFC-HPLC (Chiralpak AD, 30×250 mm, 5% 2:1 MeOH/MeCN, 70 mL/min, 25 mg/mL in MeOH). 1a was bench-stable over several months. The analytical data is consistent with literature reports.⁸ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.37–7.18 (m, 5H), 3.35 (ddd, J = 6.3, 5.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.62–2.45 (m, 2H), 1.98 (br s, 1H), 1.31–1.19 (m, 1H), 0.81 (ddd, J = 9.9, 5.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 0.50 (ddd, J = 12.2, 6.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 141.1, 128.4, 128.3, 126.0, 52.6, 37.3, 21.5, 14.6 ppm; Chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IG, 99/1 hexanes/IPA, 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 215$ nm): $t_{\rm R}$ (major): 40.41 min; $t_{\rm R}$ (minor): 39.19 min; 99% ee.



cis-2-Benzylcyclopropanol (*cis*-1a): According to general procedures C and E, cyclopropanol *cis*-1a was prepared with the following details: Step 1: 3-Phenyl-1-propanol (27 mL, 200 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TEMPO (1.9 g, 12 mmol, 0.060 equiv), TCCA (37 g, 160 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and DCM (2.0 L, 0.10 M). The reaction was run in a 10-L flask and was stopped after 3 h. Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (1.0 L of a 0.22 M solution in THF, 220 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The reaction was run in a 2-L flask and was stopped after 1 h. *cis*-1a was purified from the crude residue over 3 consecutive rounds of flash column chromatography (gradient of 9/1 to 7/3 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield *cis*-1a as a colourless oil (32 mg, 0.22 mmol, 0.11%; d.r. before purification = 3.4:1 *trans/cis*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.46–7.11 (m, 5H), 3.63 (ddd, *J* = 6.5, 6.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.91–2.77 (m, 2H), 1.10–0.97 (m, 1H), 0.85–0.76 (m, 1H), 0.44–0.37 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 142.2, 128.4, 128.2, 125.8, 50.1, 32.6, 18.6, 13.3 ppm.

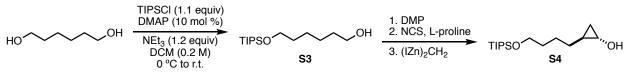


trans-2-Phenylcyclopropanol (1b): According to general procedures C and E, cyclopropanol 1b was prepared with the following details. Step 1: 2-Phenylethanol (3.6 mL, 30 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TEMPO (0.28 g, 1.8 mmol, 0.060 equiv), trichloroisocyauric acid (5.6 g, 24 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and DCM (300 mL, 0.10 M). The reaction was performed in a 1-L flask and was stopped after 75 min. Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (120 mL of a ca. 0.50 M solution in THF, 60 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The reaction was performed in a 250-mL flask. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 8/2 to 7/3 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield 1b as a yellow solid (2.2 g, 16 mmol, 53% over 2 steps; d.r. before purification = $4.4:1 \ trans/cis$). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports: ⁹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.31–7.98 (m, 5H), 3.66–3.59 (m, 1H), 2.29–2.02 (m, 2H), 1.34–1.22 (m, 1H), 1.10–0.99 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 141.1, 128.3, 125.8, 125.7, 55.4, 25.5, 17.8 ppm.

$$F_{\text{F}} \xrightarrow{\text{OH}} OH \xrightarrow{\text{BH}_3 \cdot \text{Me}_2 \text{S} (2 \text{ equiv})}{\text{THF} (1.0 \text{ M})} \xrightarrow{\text{F}} \xrightarrow{\text{OH}} OH \xrightarrow{1. \text{TEMPO}, \text{TCCA}}{2. (\text{IZn})_2 \text{CH}_2} \xrightarrow{\text{F}} \xrightarrow{\text{OH}} OH$$

2-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)ethanol (S1): To a flame-dried 100-mL flask was added 3,4difluorophenylacetic acid (3.4 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3) and THF (20 mL, 1.0 M) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and borane dimethylsulfide complex (20 mL of a 2.0 M solution in THF, 40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added. The reaction was stirred for 16 h under nitrogen. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ and the mixture was extracted with DCM (×3). The organic fractions were combined, washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to yield **S1** as a colourless oil (2.8 g, 18 mmol, 90%). This compound is commercially available (286440-92-4). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.13–7.01 (m, 2H), 6.97–6.90 (m, 1H), 3.84 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.62–1.44 (br s, 1H) ppm; ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 150.2 (dd, *J* = 246.4, 12.6 Hz), 149.2 (dd, *J* = 244.7, 12.6 Hz), 135.7 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 3.9 Hz), 124.8 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 3.4 Hz), 117.7 (d, *J* = 16.7 Hz), 117.2 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz), 63.3, 38.3 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz) ppm.

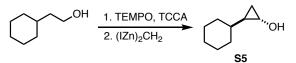
trans-2-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)cyclopropanol (S2): According to general procedures C and E, cyclopropanol S2 was prepared with the following details: Step 1: Alcohol S1 (2.2 g, 14 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TEMPO (0.14 g, 0.85 mmol, 0.060 equiv), TCCA (2.6 g, 11 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and DCM (140 mL, 0.10 M). The reaction was performed in a 500-mL flask and was stopped after 80 min. Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (50 mL of a 0.38 M solution in THF, 19 mmol, 1.4 equiv). The reaction was performed in a 100-mL flask and was stopped after 80 min. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (7/3 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield S2 as a colourless oil (0.62 g, 3.6 mmol, 24% over 2 steps; d.r. before purification = >20:1 *trans/cis*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.08–6.98 (m, 1H), 6.84–6.70 (m, 2H), 3.62–3.51 (m, 1H), 2.23–2.01 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.23 (m, 1H), 1.04–0.94 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 150.2 (dd, *J* = 246.0, 12.6 Hz), 148.7 (dd, *J* = 244.0, 12.5 Hz), 138.2 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 3.6 Hz), 121.8 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 3.4 Hz), 117.0 (d, *J* = 16.7 Hz), 114.6 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz), 55.2, 24.7 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 771 cm⁻¹.



6-((Triisopropylsilyl)oxy)hexan-1-ol (S3): To a flame-dried 50-mL flask was added 1,6-hexanediol (0.59 g, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and DMAP (56 mg, 0.50 mmol, 0.10 equiv). The flask was sealed with a septum and evacuated and backfilled three times with nitrogen. DCM (25 mL, 0.20 M) was added and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. Chlorotriisopropylsilane (1.1 mL, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added followed by triethylamine (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The reaction was removed from the ice bath and stirred at r.t. for 18 h under nitrogen. The solution was concentrated and the crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 100% hexanes to 1:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield **S3** as a colourless oil (0.66 g, 2.4 mmol, 47%). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports:¹⁰ ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 3.71–3.61 (m, 4H), 1.63–1.50 (m, 4H), 1.45–1.33 (m, 4H), 1.28–1.18 (m, 1H), 1.14–0.97 (m,

21H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 63.3, 63.0, 32.9, 32.8, 25.63, 25.56, 18.0, 12.0 ppm.

trans-2-(4-((Triisopropylsilyl)oxy)butyl)cyclopropanol (S4): According to general procedures D and E, cyclopropanol S5 was prepared with the following details. Step 1: Alcohol S3 (0.66 g, 2.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMP (1.5 g, 3.6 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and DCM (reagent grade, 12 mL, 0.20 M). The reaction was performed in a 50-mL flask and was stopped after 1 h. Step 2: NCS (0.32 g, 2.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv), L-proline (28 mg, 0.24 mmol, 0.10 equiv), and DCM (4.8 mL, 0.50 M). The reaction was performed in a 25-mL flask and was stopped after 16 h. Step 3: Bis(iodozinco)-methane (11 mL of a 0.33 M solution in THF, 3.6 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction was performed in a 50 mL flask and was stopped after 1 h. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (9/1 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield S4 as a colourless oil (0.38 g, 1.3 mmol, 55% over 3 steps; d.r. before purification >20:1 *trans/cis*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 3.71–3.63 (m, 2H), 3.22–3.18 (m, 1H), 1.88–1.69 (br m, 1H), 1.61–0.86 (m, 28H), 0.72–0.64 (m, 1H), 0.35–0.27 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 63.3, 52.8, 32.7, 31.4, 25.2, 20.9, 18.0, 14.5, 12.0 ppm; IR (neat): 3305 (br), 2941, 2892, 2865, 1462, 1383, 1255, 1203, 1103, 1070, 1013, 996, 917, 881, 788, 679 cm⁻¹; HRMS *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₆H₃₅O₂Si (M+H) 287.24063; found 287.24010.



trans-2-Cyclohexylcyclopropanol (S5): According to general procedures C and E, S5 was prepared with the following details. Step 1: 2-Cyclohexylethanol (2.8 mL, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), trichloroisocyanuric acid (3.7 g, 16 mmol, 0.80 equiv), TEMPO (0.19 g, 1.2 mmol, 0.060 equiv), DCM (200 mL, 0.10 M). The reaction was performed in a 500-mL flask and was stopped after 2.5 h at r.t. Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (90 mL of a 0.19 M solution in THF, 17 mmol, 0.85 equiv). The reaction was performed in a 250-mL flask. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (8:2 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield S5 as a colourless oil (0.97 g, 6.9 mmol, 35% over 2 steps; d.r. before purification >20:1 *trans/cis*). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports.⁸ ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.24 (ddd, *J* = 6.4, 5.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.86–1.55 (m, 6H), 1.23–0.93 (m, 5H), 0.81–0.72 (m, 1H), 0.67–0.60 (m, 1H), 0.58–0.47 (m, 1H), 0.38–0.31 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 51.6, 40.2, 32.8, 31.9, 27.6, 26.4, 26.2, 26.2, 13.3 ppm.

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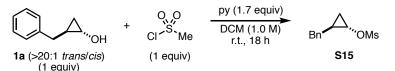
trans-2-Hexylcyclopropanol (S6): According to general procedures C and E, cyclopropanol **S6** was prepared with the following details: Step 1: 1-Octanol (2.4 mL, 15 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TEMPO (0.17 g, 0.90 mmol, 0.06 equiv), TCCA (2.8 g, 12 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and DCM (150 mL, 0.10 M). The reaction was performed in a 500-mL flask and was stopped after 2 h. Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (56 mL of a 0.38 M solution in THF, 21 mmol, 1.4 equiv). The reaction was performed in a 100-mL flask and was stopped after 80 min. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (75/25 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield **S6** as a colourless oil (0.64 g, 4.5 mmol, 30% over 2 steps; d.r. before purification = 18:1 *trans/cis*). The analytical data is

consistent with literature reports:⁸ ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.22–3.17 (m, 1H), 1.44–1.01 (m, 11H), 0.97–0.80 (m, 4H), 0.71–0.63 (m, 1H), 0.34–0.26 (m, 1H) ppm.

$$(1. TEMPO, TCCA) = \frac{E_{12}Zn (2.5 \text{ equiv})}{CH_{2}I_{2} (2.5 \text{ equiv})} + \frac{1. TEMPO, TCCA}{DCM (0.25 \text{ M})} + \frac{1. TEMPO, TCCA}{2. (IZn)_{2}CH_{2}} + \frac{1. TEMPO, TCCA}{58}$$

4-Cyclopropylbutanol (S7): To a flame-dried 100-mL flask was added DCM (40 mL, 0.25 M), hex-5-en-1-ol (1.2 mL, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and diiodomethane (1.2 mL, 25 mmol, 2.5 equiv). The solution was cooled to 0 °C and diethylzinc (25 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 25 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added dropwise over 10 min. Trifluoroacetic acid (1.9 mL, 25 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added dropwise over 10 min. The reaction was stirred for 24 h under nitrogen while the ice bath was allowed to slowly warm to r.t. The reaction was opened to air and quenched with sat. aq. NH₄Cl. The solution was extracted with DCM (×3). The organic fractions were combined and washed with brine (×1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was then added to a 50-mL flask with DCM (20 mL, 0.50 M), and *m*-CPBA (0.49 g of a 70% w/w suspension in H₂O, 2.0 mmol, 0.20 equiv) was added. The solution was stirred for 2 h open to air and then quenched with sat. aq. NH₄Cl. The mixture was extracted with DCM (\times 3), and the organic fractions were combined, washed with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (\times 1) and brine (\times 1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (8/2 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield S7 as a colourless, fruity-smelling oil (0.51 g, 4.5 mmol, 45%). This sample still contained a small amount (<10%) of unreacted alkene material. The analytical data is consistent with literature reports:¹¹ ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.62 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.63–1.53 (m, 3H), 1.49–1.39 (m, 2H), 1.24–1.17 (m, 2H), 0.70–0.58 (m, 1H), 0.45–0.31 (m, 2H), 0.04-0.08 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K); $\delta_{\rm C}$ 63.0, 34.5, 32.6, 25.8, 10.8, 4.3 ppm.

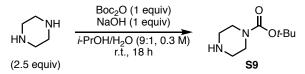
trans-2-(2-Cyclopropylethyl)cyclopropanol (S8): According to general procedures C and E, cyclopropanol S8 was prepared with the following details: Step 1: Alcohol S7 (0.44 g, 3.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TEMPO (36 mg, 0.23 mmol, 0.06 equiv), TCCA (0.72 g, 3.1 mmol, 0.80 equiv), and DCM (39 mL, 0.10 M). The reaction was performed in a 100-mL flask and was stopped after 180 min. Step 2: Bis(iodozinco)methane (35 mL of a 0.17 M solution in THF, 5.9 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction was performed in a 100-mL flask and was stopped after 45 min. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (9/1 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield S8 as a colourless oil (0.17 g, 1.3 mmol, 33% over 2 steps; d.r. before purification = >20:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.23–3.18 (m, 1H), 2.01–1.47 (br m, 1H), 1.38–1.11 (m, 4H), 1.00–0.89 (m, 1H), 0.73–0.60 (m, 2H), 0.47–0.25 (m, 3H), 0.08–0.07 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 52.8, 34.0, 31.7, 20.8, 14.5, 10.6, 4.5, 4.4 ppm; IR (neat): 3327 (br), 3076, 2999, 2915, 2852, 1712, 1455, 1428, 1297, 1201, 1152, 1068, 1043, 1014, 923, 820 cm⁻¹.



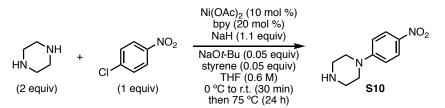
trans-2-Benzylcyclopropylmethanesulfonate (S15): To an oven-dried 1-dram vial was transferred 1a (74 mg, 0.50 mmol, 1.0 equiv; >20:1 *trans/cis*). The vial was sealed with a septum and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3). To the vial was added DCM (0.50 mL, 1.0 M),

methanesulfonylchloride (0.04 mL, 0.50 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and pyridine (0.07 mL, 0.85 mmol, 1.7 equiv). The reaction was stirred at r.t. overnight. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NH₄Cl. The solution was extracted with DCM (×3) and the organic fractions were combined, washed with brine (×1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (7/3 hexanes/EtOAc) to yield **S15** as a colourless oil (75 mg, 0.33 mmol, 66%; >20:1 d.r.). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.38–7.18 (m, 5H), 4.01 (ddd, *J* = 5.4, 2.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 2.71–2.53 (m, 2H), 2.64–1.53 (m, 1H), 1.23–1.16 (m, 1H), 0.84–0.76 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 139.4, 128.6, 128.4, 126.5, 58.5, 37.3, 36.5, 19.6, 11.9 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3086, 3063, 3029, 2939, 2918, 2855, 1604, 1584, 1497, 1455, 1356, 1132, 1047, 1017, 967, 885, 861, 819, 727, 699 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** *m/z* (DART): calcd for C₁₁H₁₅O₃S (M+H) 227.07419; found 227.07507.

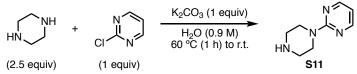
D. Preparation of amine starting materials



tert-Butyl piperazine-1-carbozylate (S9): S9 was prepared according to a procedure reported by Biannic et al.¹² To a 50-mL flask was added piperazine (0.86 g, 10 mmol, 2.5 equiv), sodium hydroxide (0.16 g, 4.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), isopropanol (12 mL) and water (1.3 mL). Boc anhydride (0.92 mL, 4.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 18 h. The solution was concentrated to remove isopropanol. The mixture was diluted with water, filtered through a fritted funnel to remove diboc-piperazine, and the filtrate was extracted with DCM (×3). The combined organic fractions were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to yield **S9** as a white crystalline solid (0.53 g, 2.8 mmol, 70%). Analytical data matches that reported in the literature.¹³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.43–3.34 (m, 4H), 2.85–2.76 (m, 4H), 1.46 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 154.8, 79.5, 45.9, 28.41, 28.39 ppm.

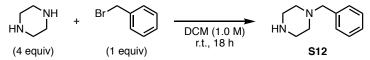


1-(4-Nitrophenyl)piperazine (S10): Amine **S10** was prepared following the protocol reported by Brenner et al.¹⁴ To a flame-dried 50-mL flask was added piperazine (1.7 g, 20 mmol, 2.0 equiv), 4-nitrochlorobenzene (1.6 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), anhydrous nickel acetate (0.18 g, 1.0 mmol, 10 mol %), 2,2'-bipyridine (0.31 g, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol %), and sodium *tert*-butoxide (48 mg, 0.50 mmol, 0.050 equiv). The flask was sealed with a septum and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3). The flask was put into a 0 °C ice bath and THF (17 mL, 0.60 M) was added. Styrene (0.060 mL, 0.50 mmol, 0.050 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred for 30 min under nitrogen, allowing the mixture to slowly warm to r.t. The reaction was then heated to 75 °C and stirred at that temperature under nitrogen. After 24 h, the reaction was cooled to r.t., opened to air, and quenched with isopropanol. The mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (40/1/59 MeOH/NEt₃/EtOAc) to yield **S10** as a yellow-brown solid (0.43 g, 2.1 mmol, 21%). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports:^{15 1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 8.22–8.08 (m, 2H), 6.91–6.77 (m, 2H), 3.49–3.35 (m, 4H), 3.12–2.98 (m, 4H), 2.03 (br s, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): 155.2, 138.4, 125.9, 112.6, 48.1, 45.7 ppm.

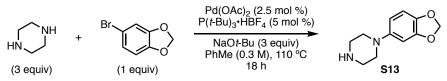


2-(Piperazin-1-yl)pyrimidine (S11): Amine **S11** was prepared according to a procedure reported by Wang et al.¹⁶ To a 25-mL flask was added piperazine (0.54 g, 6.3 mmol, 2.5 equiv), potassium carbonate (0.35 g, 2.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and water (2.8 mL, 0.90 M). The solution was heated to 60 °C and 2-chloropyrimidine (0.29 g, 2.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added in small portions over 10

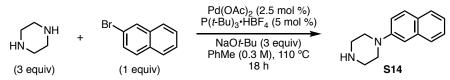
min. The reaction was stirred open to air for another 1 h at 60 °C then cooled to r.t. The solution was filtered through a fritted funnel and the aqueous filtrate was extracted with CHCl₃ (×3). The organic phases were combined, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum to yield **S11** as a yellow solid (0.35 g, 2.1 mmol, 84%). **S11** was fairly hygroscopic so exposure to air was minimized. The analytical data is consistent with literature reports:¹⁵ ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 8.30 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 2H), 6.46 (dd, J = 4.7, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83–3.75 (m, 4H), 2.97–2.88 (m, 4H), 1.85–1.76 (br m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 157.6, 138.0, 109.7, 46.0, 44.9 ppm.



Benzylpiperazine (S12): Amine **S12** was prepared according to a procedure reported by Zhou et al.¹⁷ To a flame-dried 25-mL flask was added piperazine (0.86 g, 10 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3) and DCM (2.5 mL, 1.0 M) was added, followed by benzyl bromide (0.30 mL, 2.5 mmol). The reaction was stirred for 18 h under nitrogen. The reaction was opened to air and the solution was washed with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (×1), H₂O (×1), brine (×1). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (85/14/1 CHCl₃/MeOH/NEt₃) to yield **S12** as a waxy yellow solid (0.22 g, 1.25 mmol, 50%). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports:¹⁷ **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.31–7.15 (m, 5H), 5.55 (br s, 1H), 3.46 (s, 2H), 3.03–2.94 (m, 4H), 2.61–2.30 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 137.5, 129.1, 128.4, 127.3, 63.1, 52.0, 44.8 ppm.

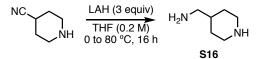


1-(Benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl)piperazine (S13): The Buchwald–Hartwig amination conditions used to make **S13** were based on those reported by Nishiyama et al.¹⁸ To a flame-dried 25-mL Schlenk flask was added piperazine (0.78 g, 9.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv), palladium acetate (17 mg, 0.075 mmol, 2.5 mol %), tri-*tert*-butylphosphonium tetrafluoroborate (44 mg, 0.15 mmol, 5.0 mol %), and sodium *tert*-butoxide (0.86 g, 9.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The flask was sealed with a septum and electrical tape, evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3), and toluene (10 mL, 0.30 M) was added, followed by 5-bromobenzo[1,3]dioxole (0.36 mL, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The reaction was stirred at 110 °C. After 18 h the reaction was cooled to r.t., opened to air, and quenched with water. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (×3), and the organic fractions were combined, washed with brine (×1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (85/14/1 CHCl₃/MeOH/NEt₃) to yield **S13** as a tan solid (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol, 83%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 6.76–6.68 (m, 1H), 6.59–6.53 (m, 1H), 6.41–6.32 (m, 1H), 5.89 (s, 2H), 3.03 (m, 8H), 2.42 (br s, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 148.2, 147.9, 141.6, 109.1, 108.1, 100.8, 100.0, 52.0, 46.1 ppm.

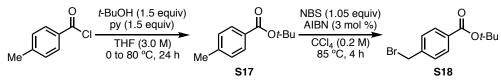


1-(Naphthalen-2-yl)piperazine (S14): The Buchwald–Hartwig amination conditions used to prepare **S14** were based on those reported by Nishiyama et al.¹⁸ To a flame-dried 25-mL Schlenk flask was added piperazine (0.78 g, 9.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv), 2-bromonaphthalene (0.62 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), palladium acetate (17 mg, 0.075 mmol, 2.5 mol %), tri-*tert*-butylphosphonium tetrafluoroborate (44 mg, 0.15 mmol, 5.0 mol %), and sodium *tert*-butoxide (0.86 g, 9.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The flask was sealed with a septum and electrical tape, evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3), and toluene (10 mL, 0.30 M) was added. The reaction was stirred at 110 °C. After 18 h the reaction was cooled to r.t., opened to air, and quenched with water. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (×3), and the organic fractions were combined, washed with brine (×1), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (14/1/85 MeOH/NEt₃/CHCl₃) to yield **S14** as a tan solid (0.45 g, 2.1 mmol, 70%). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports.¹⁹ ¹¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 7.77–7.67 (m, 3H), 7.44–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.33–7.23 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.09 (m, 1H), 3.30–3.22 (m, 4H), 3.14–3.06 (m, 4H), 2.09 (br s, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 149.6, 134.6, 128.7, 128.6, 127.4, 126.8, 126.2, 123.4, 119.5, 110.3, 50.8, 46.1 ppm.

E. Synthesis of (±)-GSK2879552

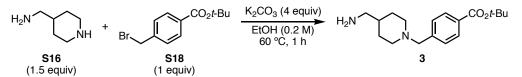


Piperidin-4-ylmethanamine (S16): To a flame-dried flask with reflux condenser was added lithium aluminum hydride (0.91 g, 24 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The flask was sealed and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (\times 3), and THF (40 mL, 0.20 M) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and piperidine-4-carbonitrile (0.89 mL, 8.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added dropwise. The reaction was refluxed at 80 °C under nitrogen for 16 h. The reaction was cooled to 0 °C. To the solution was added H₂O (2.3 mL), 15% NaOH (2.3 mL), and H₂O (2.3 mL). The solution was filtered and the sticky filter cake was vigorously extracted with EtOAc (\times 3). The organic fractions were combined and concentrated. The concentrate was dissolved in CHCl₃, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum to yield crude **S16** as a chunky orange-yellow oil (0.89 g, 7.8 mmol, 98%). **S16** was used in the next step without further purification or characterization.

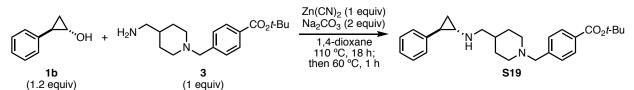


tert-Butyl-4-methylbenzoate (S17): A flame-dried 50-mL two-neck flask was equipped with a reflux condenser. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3), THF (17 mL, 3.0 mL) was added, and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. To the flask was added 4-toluoyl chloride (6.6 mL, 50 mmol, 1.0 equiv), *tert*-butanol (7.2 mL, 75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and pyridine (6.1 mL, 75 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction was refluxed at 80 °C for 24 h under nitrogen. The reaction was quenched with H₂O and the solution was extracted with Et₂O (×3). The organic phases were combined, washed with 10% H₂SO₄ (×1), 10% NaOH (×1), H₂O (×2), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 100% hexanes to 5/95 EtOAc/hexanes) to yield **S17** as a colourless oil (7.7 g, 40 mmol, 80%). The analytical data is consistent with literature reports:²⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.91–7.83 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.16 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.58 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 165.9, 142.9, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 80.6, 28.2, 21.6 ppm.

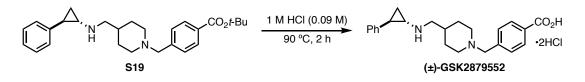
tert-Butyl-4-(bromomethyl)benzoate (S18): Benzyl bromide S18 was prepared according to a procedure reported by Acharya et al.²¹ To a flame-dried 100-mL flask with reflux condenser was added S17 (1.9 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3). Carbon tetrachloride (40 mL, 0.25 M) was added, followed by *N*-bromosuccinimide (1.87 g, 10.5 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and 2,2'-azobis(2-methylpropionitrile) (49 mg, 0.30 mmol, 0.03 equiv). The reaction was refluxed at 85 °C for 4 h under nitrogen. The solution was diluted with pentane (50 mL), filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 0/100 to 2/98 EtOAc/hexanes). S18 was obtained as a white solid containing an inseparable mixture of un-, mono-, and dibrominated products (2.5 g, 0.12:1:0.16 un-/mono-/dibrominated; 2.1 g monobrominated, 7.4 mmol, 74%). The analytical data for S18 is consistent with literature reports:²² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.98–7.93 (m, 2H), 7.47–7.38 (m, 2H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 1.59 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 165.1, 142.0, 132.0, 129.9, 128.8, 81.2, 32.3, 28.2 ppm.



tert-Butyl 4-((4-(aminomethyl)piperidin-1-yl)methyl)benzoate (3): To a flame-dried 50-mL flask was added benzyl bromide S18 (0.69 g of a 79% w/w mixture of un-, mono-, and dibrominated) and potassium carbonate (1.1 g, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The flask was sealed and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (\times 3). Ethanol (10 mL, 0.20 M) was added, followed by amine S16 (0.38 mL, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction was stirred at 60 °C under nitrogen and was monitored by ¹H NMR. After 1 h the reaction was cooled to r.t., opened to air, and concentrated under vacuum. The concentrate was purified by flash column chromatography $(15/1/84 \text{ MeOH/NEt}_3/\text{CHCl}_3)$ to yield **3** as an off-white solid (0.44 g, 1.45 mmol, 73%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_H 7.98–7.88 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.32 (m, 2H), 3.52 (s, 2H), 3.12 (br m, 3H), 2.91-2.82 (m, 2H), 2.66 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (dt, J = 11.8, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 1.77-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.58 (s, 9H), 1.51–1.36 (m, 1H), 1.27 (dq, J = 12.2, 3.8 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ_C 165.7, 143.3, 130.8, 129.4, 128.8, 80.8, 63.0, 53.4, 47.3, 37.8, 29.9, 28.2 ppm; **IR** (neat): 3230 (br), 2983, 2943, 2932, 2908, 2846, 2801, 2760, 1706, 1609, 1576, 1450, 1415, 1366, 1393, 1291, 1256, 1163, 1115, 1099, 1017, 999, 979, 968, 850, 812, 755, 697 cm⁻¹; m.p.: 92–93 °C; HRMS m/z (DART): calcd for C₁₈H₂₉N₂O₂ (M+H) 305.22290; found 305.22367.

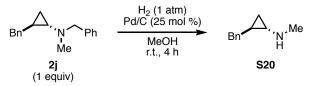


tert-Butyl 4-((4-(((*trans*-2-phenylcyclopropyl)amino)methyl)piperidin-1-yl)methyl)benzoate (S19): Cyclopropylamine S19 was prepared according to general procedure A with the modification that after 18 h at 110 °C the reaction was stirred for an additional 1 h at 60 °C to push the cyclopropylamine/imine equilibrium towards cyclopropylamine. The following amounts of reagent were used: cyclopropanol **1b** (32 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), amine **3** (61 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), zinc cyanide (23 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), sodium carbonate (42 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 1,4-dioxane (1.0 mL, 0.20 M). The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient of 5/0/95 to 7/1/94 MeOH/NEt₃/CHCl₃) to yield **S19** as a yellow oil (46 mg, 0.109 mmol, 55%). The analytical data is consistent with that reported in the patented synthesis of (±)-GSK2879552:^{23 1}H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.99–7.87 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.00 (m, 5H), 4.88 (br s, 2H), 3.68–3.48 (m, 2H), 2.99–2.82 (m, 2H), 2.67–2.54 (m, 2H), 2.31 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 4.5, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.12–1.97 (m, 2H), 1.92 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 5.9, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.82–1.68 (br m, 2H), 1.66–1.42 (m, 11H), 1.35–1.18 (m, 2H), 1.12–0.96 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 167.2, 143.9, 143.4, 132.2, 130.6, 130.3, 129.3, 126.8, 126.6, 82.2, 63.8, 56.2, 54.6, 42.6, 36.6, 31.3, 28.5, 25.2, 16.7 ppm.



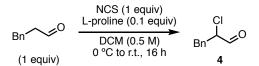
4-((4-(((*trans***-2-Phenylcyclopropyl)amino)methyl)piperidin-1-yl)methyl)benzoic acid dihydrochloride ((±)-GSK2879552):** Cyclopropylamine (±)-GSK2879552 was prepared according to the procedure reported by Johnson et al.²³ To a 1-dram reaction vial was added cyclopropylamine **S19** (19 mg, 0.045 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 1 M aq. HCl (0.54 mL, 0.09 M, 12 equiv). The vial was sealed and stirred at 90 °C for 2 h. The solution was cooled to r.t. and concentrated under a stream of compressed air to yield (±)-GSK2879552 as an off-white solid (18 mg, 0.041 mmol, 91%). The analytical data matches the patented report:^{23 1}H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 8.14 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60–6.99 (m, 5H), 4.45 (br s, 2H), 3.70–2.88 (m, 8H), 2.64 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 6.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.30–1.94 (m, 3H), 1.81– 1.53 (m, 3H), 1.47–1.28 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD, 298 K): 168.8, 139.4, 134.9, 133.7, 132.8, 131.5, 129.8, 128.0, 127.5, 61.1, 53.5, 53.03, 52.97, 39.8, 32.3, 28.2, 27.9, 22.5, 13.5 ppm.

F. Deprotection of N-benzylcyclopropylamine 2j



trans-2-Benzyl-*N*-methylcyclopropan-1-amine (S20): To a flame-dried 1-dram reaction vial was added palladium on carbon (27 mg of a 10% w/w mixture, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol %). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×2), then hydrogen (×2). MeOH (0.50 mL) was added. To this mixture was added 2j (0.50 mL of a 0.20 M solution in MeOH, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The reaction was stirred at r.t. for 10 min while hydrogen was bubbled through the solution, then the reaction was stirred at r.t. for 4 h under a balloon of hydrogen. The reaction was opened to air, diluted with MeOH, filtered over Celite, and concentrated to yield crude S20 as a colourless oil. The yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture using dodecane as internal standard (0.10 mmol, >99%; >20:1 d.r.). S20 was characterized without further purification. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): 7.34–7.13 (m, 5H), 2.65–2.45 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.05–1.95 (m, 2H), 1.10–0.98 (m, 1H), 0.66–0.60 (m, 1H), 0.46–0.40 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 128.3, 128.2, 125.8, 110.0, 39.6, 38.4, 35.8, 21.1, 13.6 ppm.

G. Preparation of a-chloroaldehyde starting materials



2-Chloro-3-phenylpropanal (4): α-Chloroaldehyde **4** was prepared according to the procedure reported by Halland et al.⁷ To a flame-dried 25-mL flask was added NCS (0.40 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and L-proline (35 mg, 0.30 mmol, 0.10 equiv). The flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (×3) and DCM (6.0 mL, 0.50 M) was added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and hydrocinnamaldehyde (0.40 mL, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added. The reaction was stirred under nitrogen for 16 h, during which time the cooling bath was slowly allowed to warm to r.t. The reaction was diluted with pentane, filtered, and concentrated to yield **4** as a colourless oil. The analytical data is consistent with literature reports: ⁷ ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 9.54 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.21 (m, 5H), 4.41–4.36 (m, 1H), 3.38 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 5.7 Hz, 1H), (dd, *J* = 14.5, 8.3 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): $\delta_{\rm C}$ 194.4, 135.4, 129.4, 128.7, 127.4, 63.9, 38.3 ppm.

H. Preparation of reagents and miscellaneous compounds

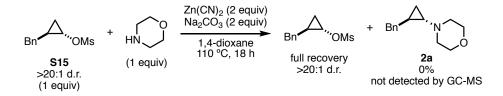
Zinc dust was activated according to the procedure reported by Fieser and Fieser.²⁴ Zinc was stirred for 2 min in 10% aq. HCl and the solution was filtered through a fritted funnel. Zinc chunks were broken up and washed with H₂O until the pH of the filtrate turned neutral (×3), then with acetone (×3). Zinc dust was dried under vacuum for 8 h before use.

$$CH_2I_2 + Zn \xrightarrow{PbCI_2} (IZn)_2CH_2$$

sonication, 1 h;
then 0 °C, 2 h

Bis(iodozinco)methane was prepared according to the procedure reported by Nomura et al.² To a flame-dried 250-mL flask equipped with stir bar were added activated zinc dust (9.8 g, 150 mmol, 2.3 equiv) and lead chloride (0.017 g, 0.060 mmol). The flask was sealed with a septum and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (\times 3). THF (12 mL) was added followed by diiodomethane (0.48 mL, 6.0 mmol). The solution was sonicated for 1 h under nitrogen. THF was added (120 mL) and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. While stirring, diiodomethane (4.8 mL, 60 mmol) was added dropwise over 15 min at 0 °C. The reaction was stirred for an additional 2 h at 0 °C under nitrogen and then was left to settle for 12 h before use. Solutions were stored sealed at r.t. under an atmosphere of nitrogen. The reagent was titrated using Knochel's protocol¹ and was generally found to be 0.18–0.19 M; this concentration could be increased by adding less THF in step 2 without affecting the efficacy of the reagent.

I. Mechanistic experiments



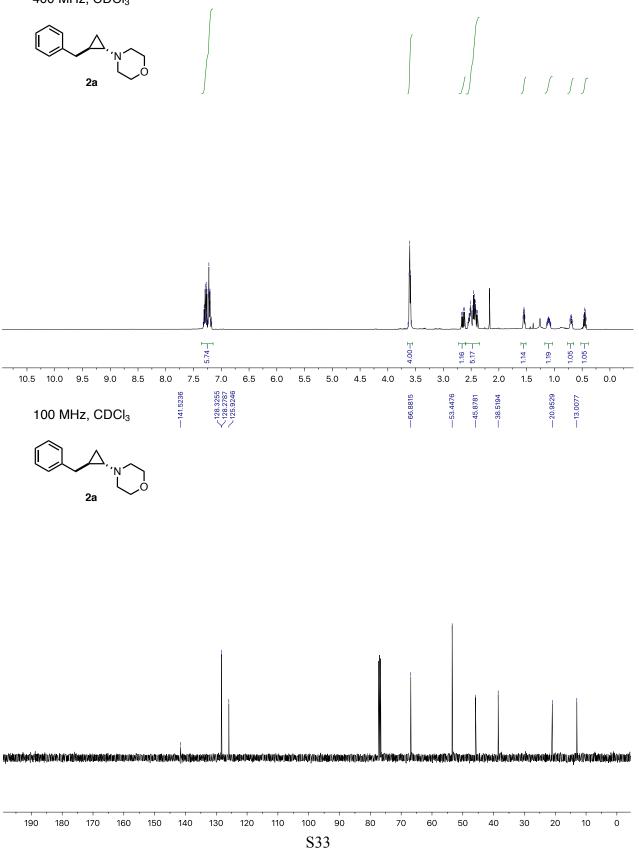
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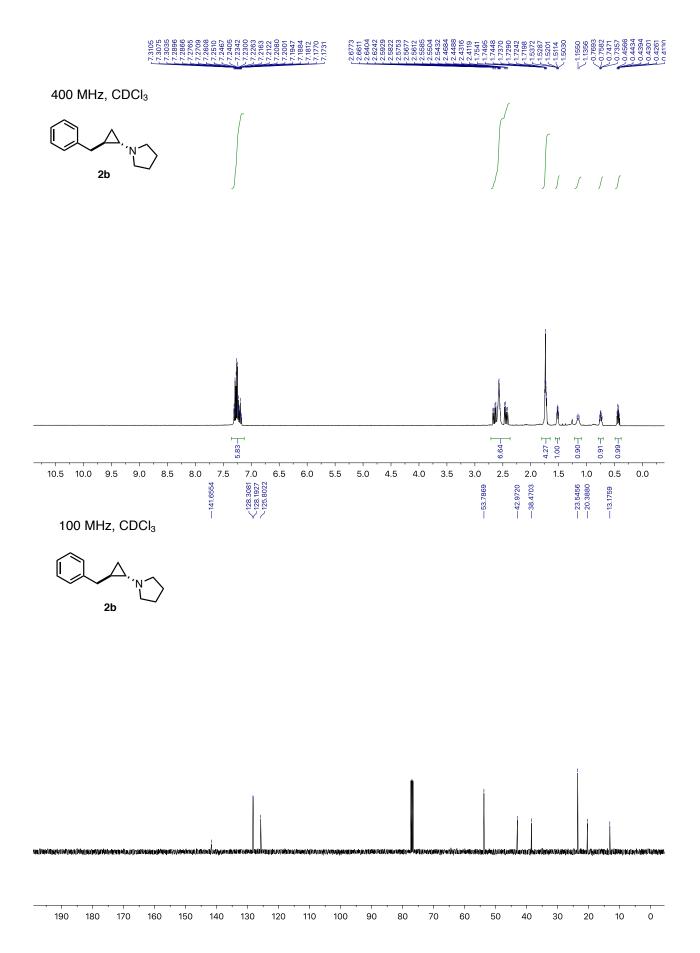
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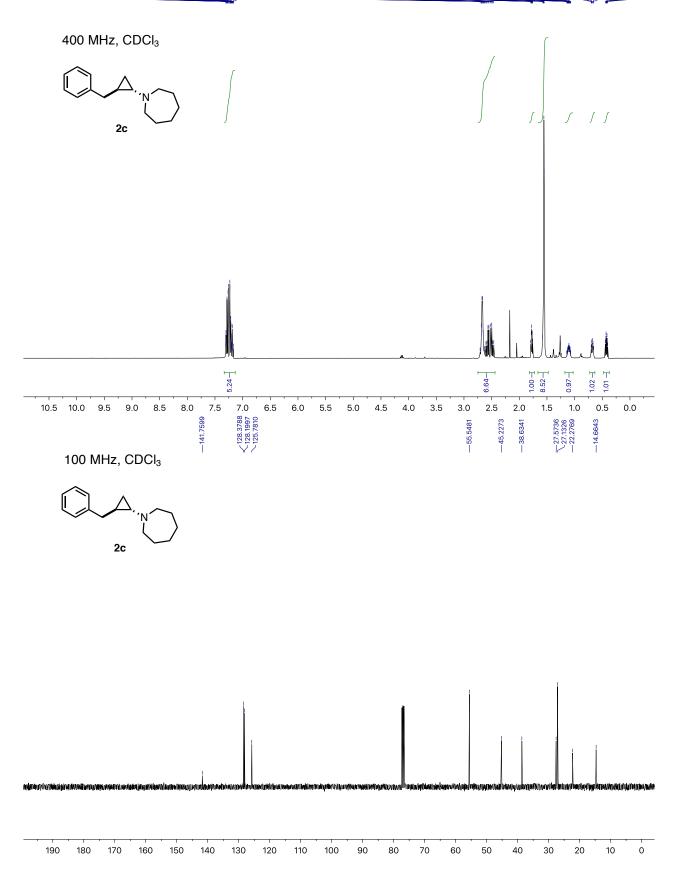


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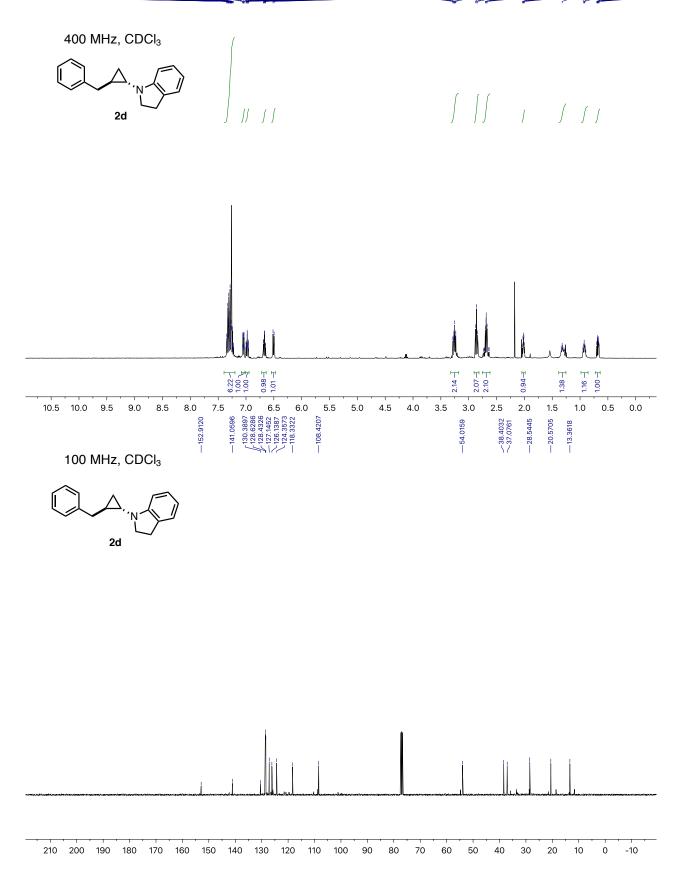


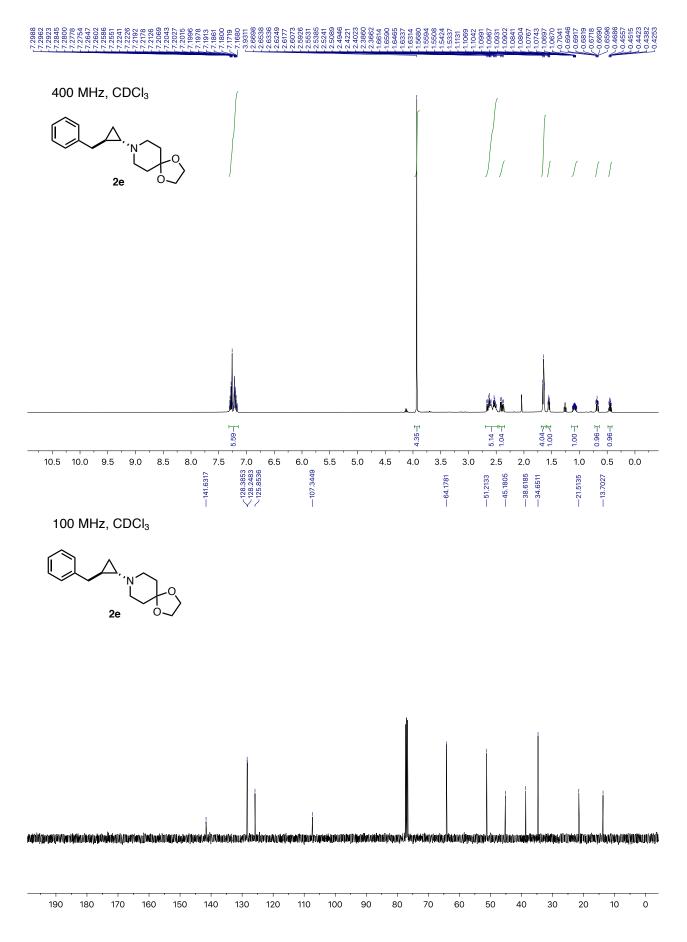


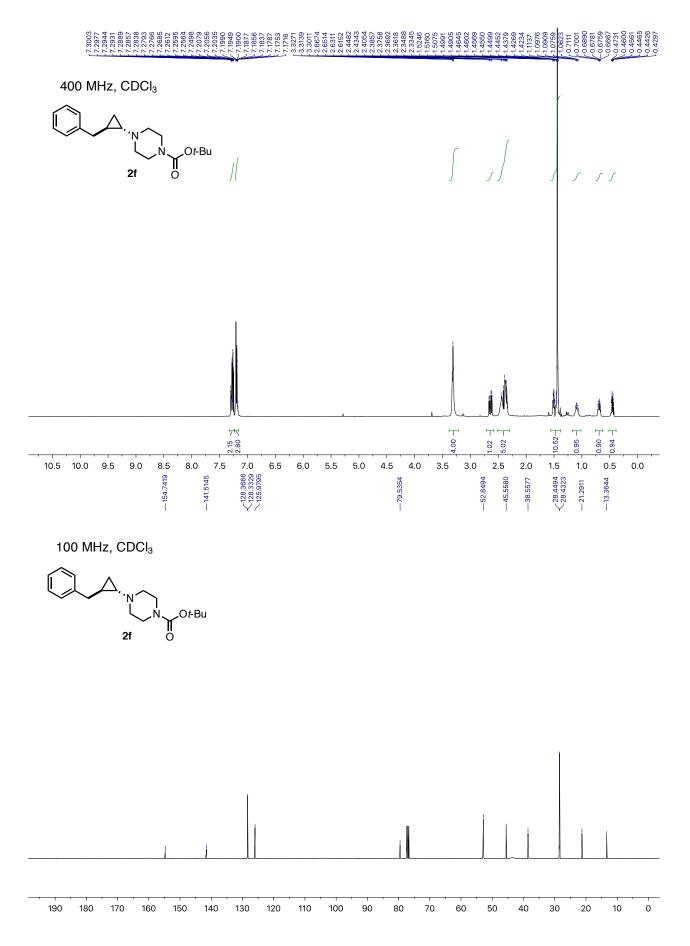
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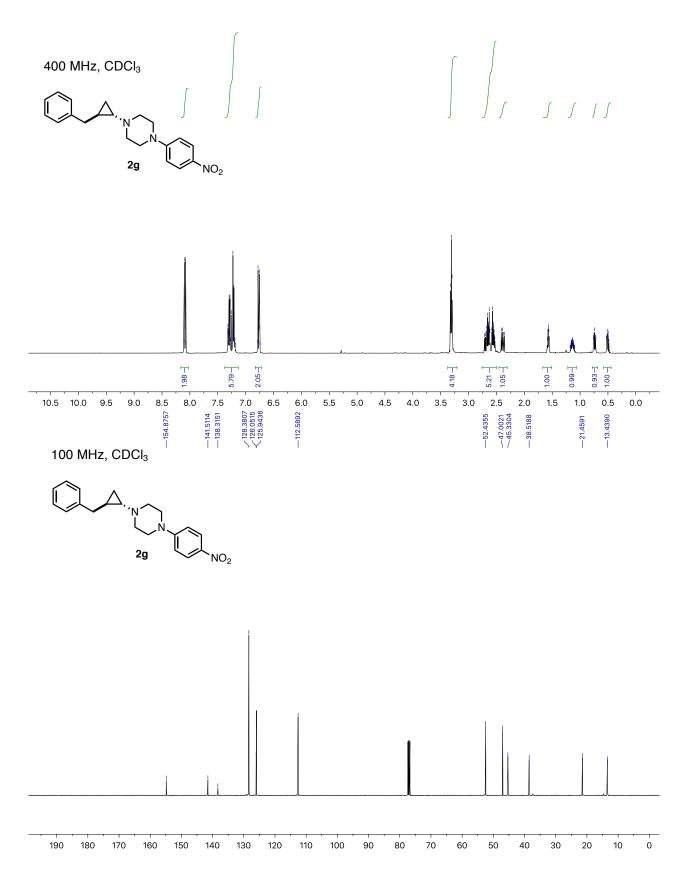
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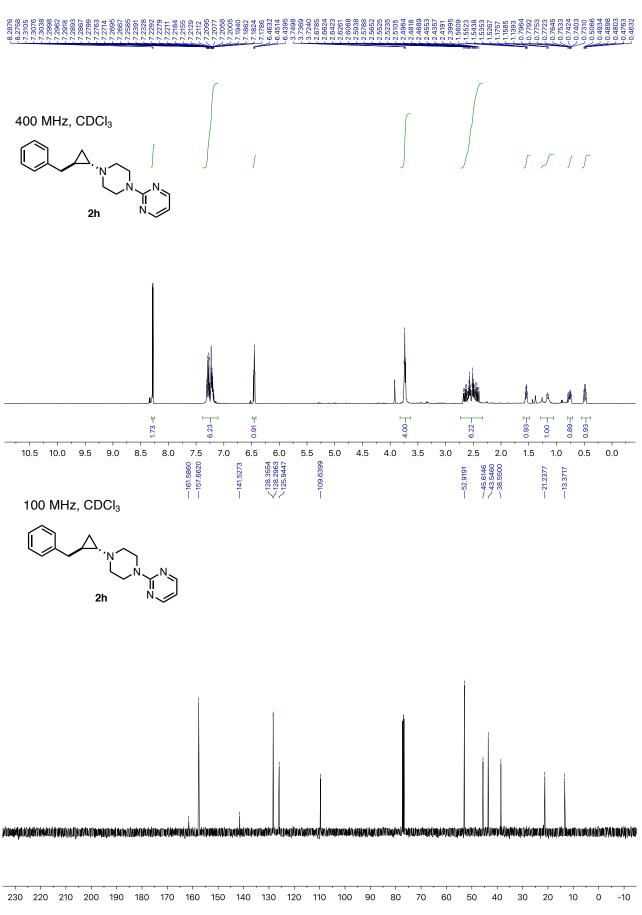




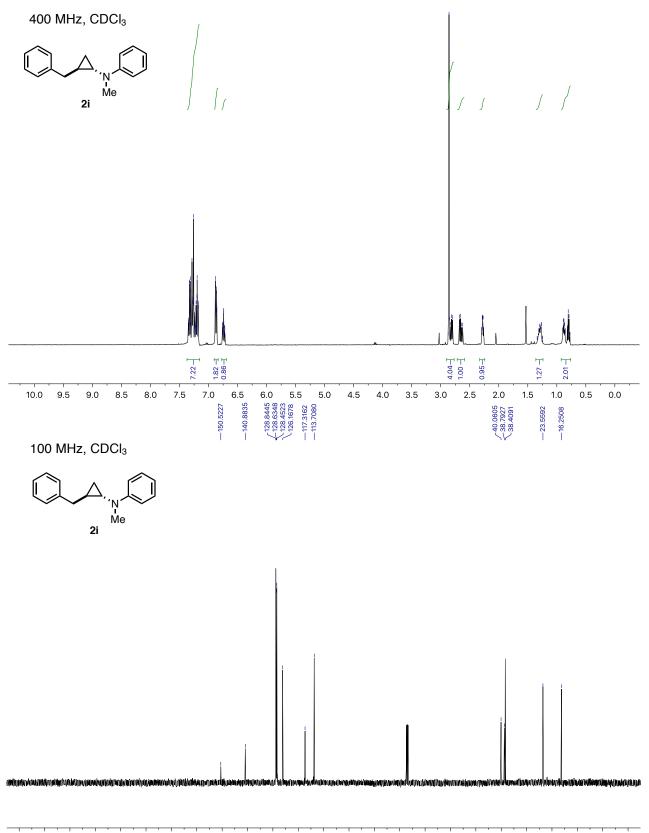


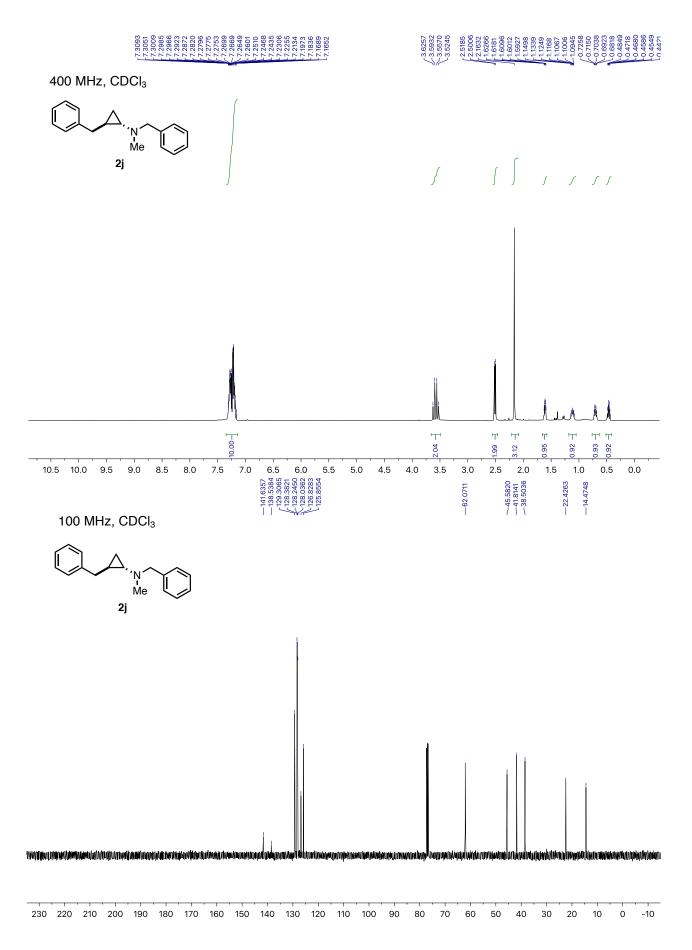
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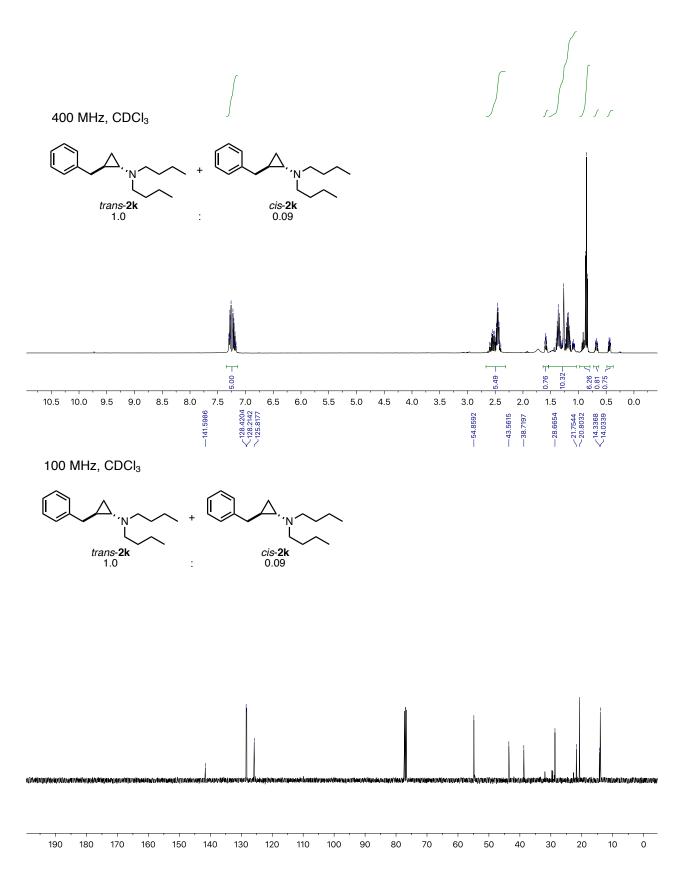




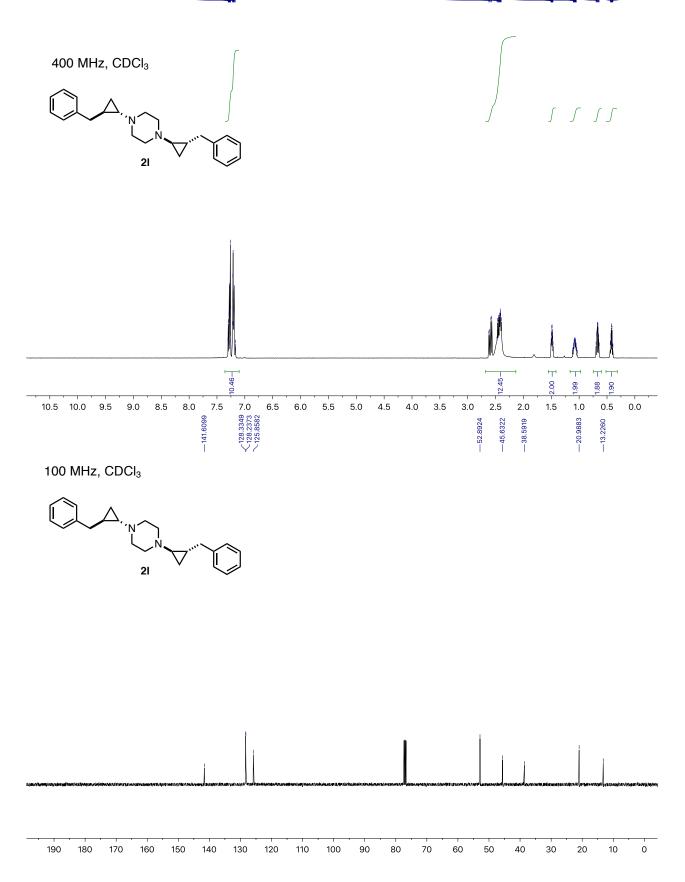






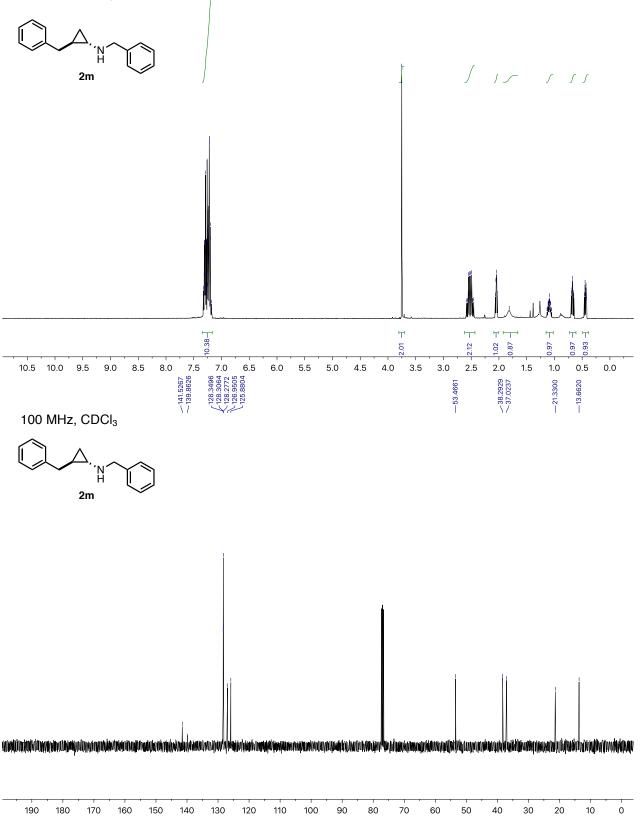


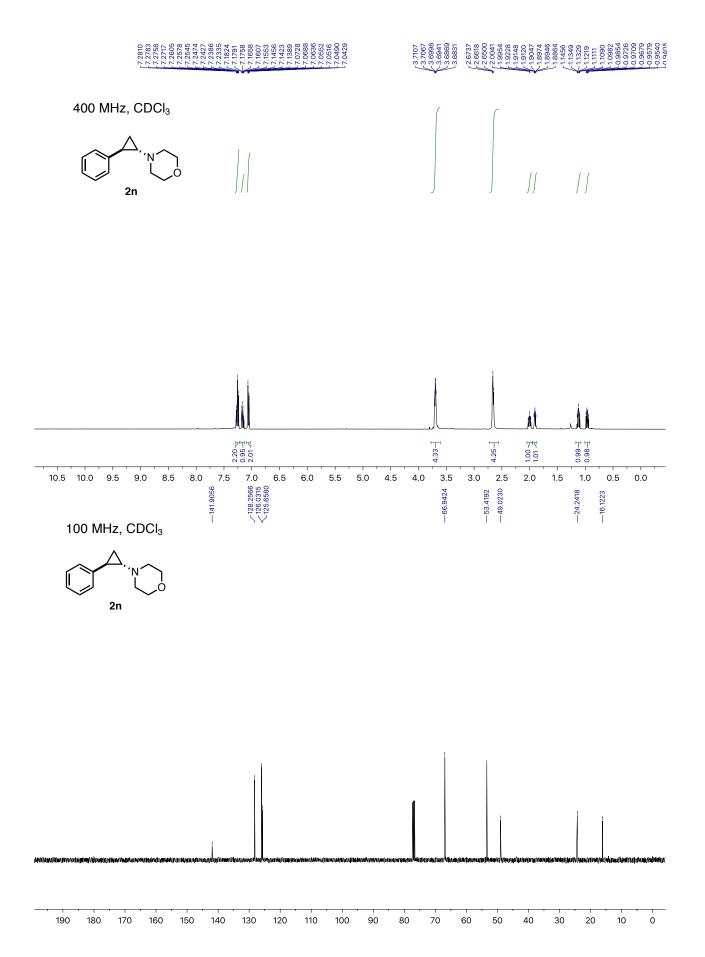
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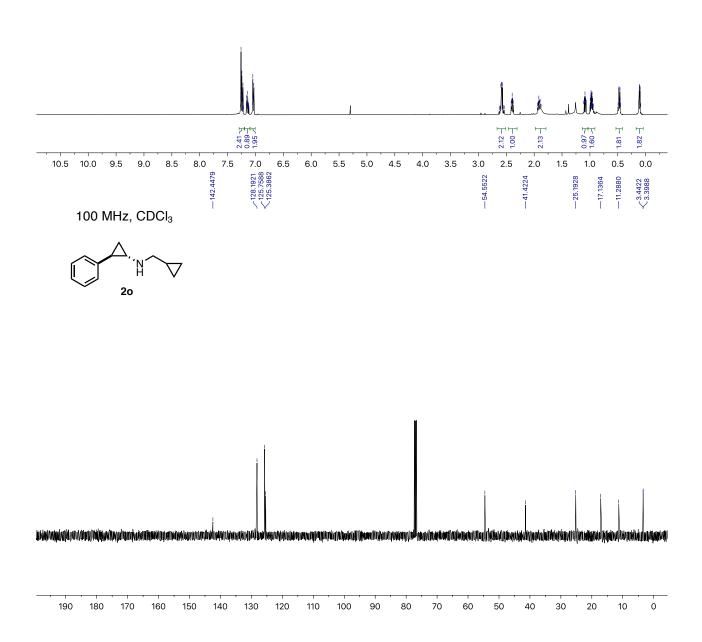
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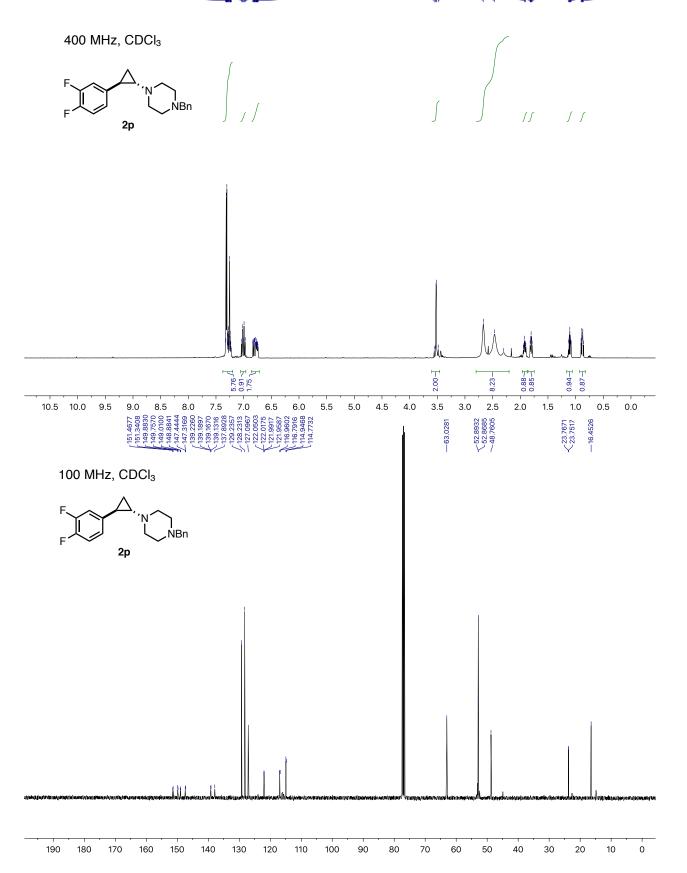


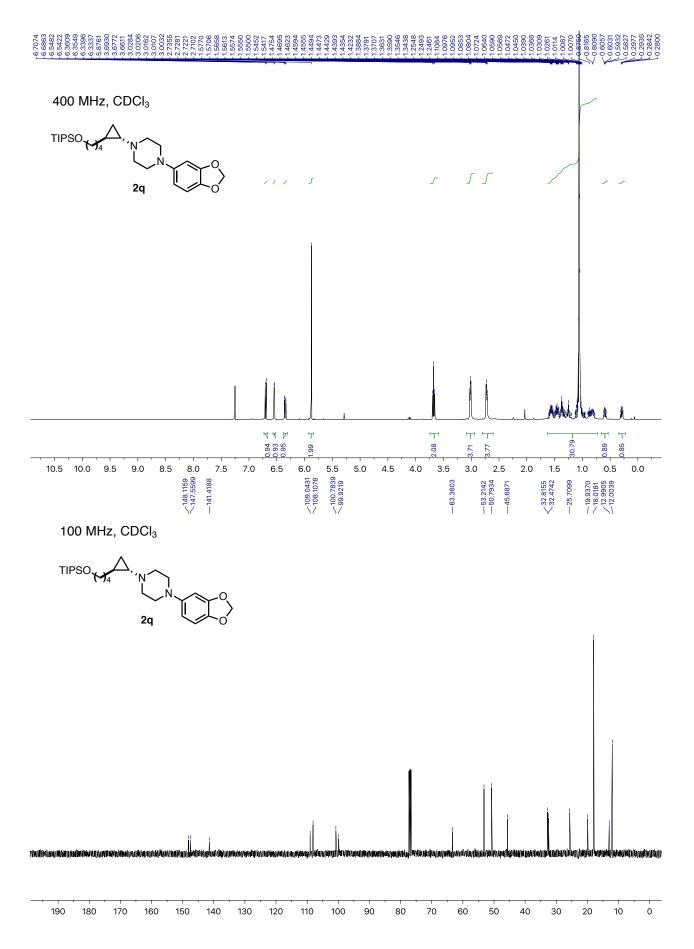


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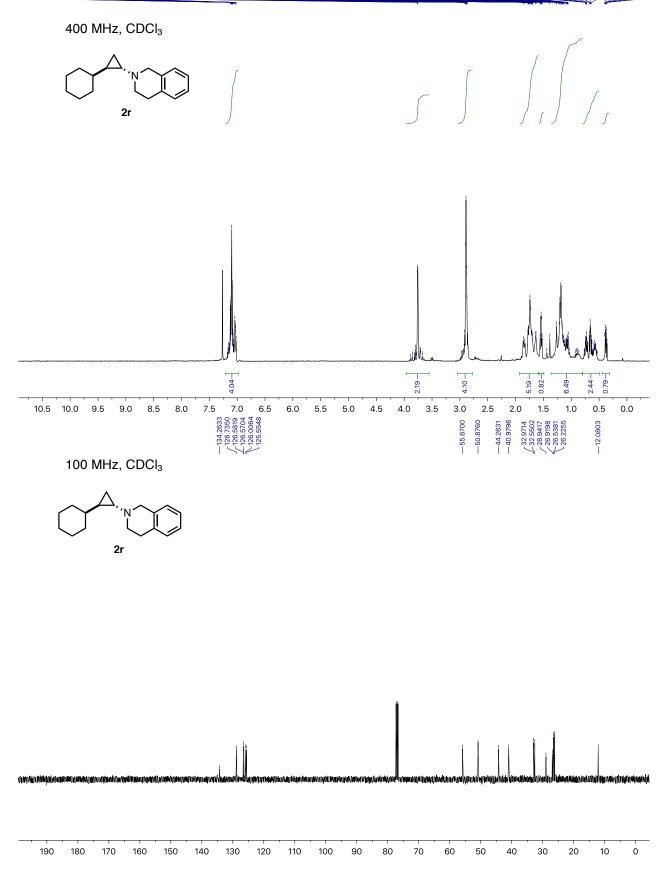




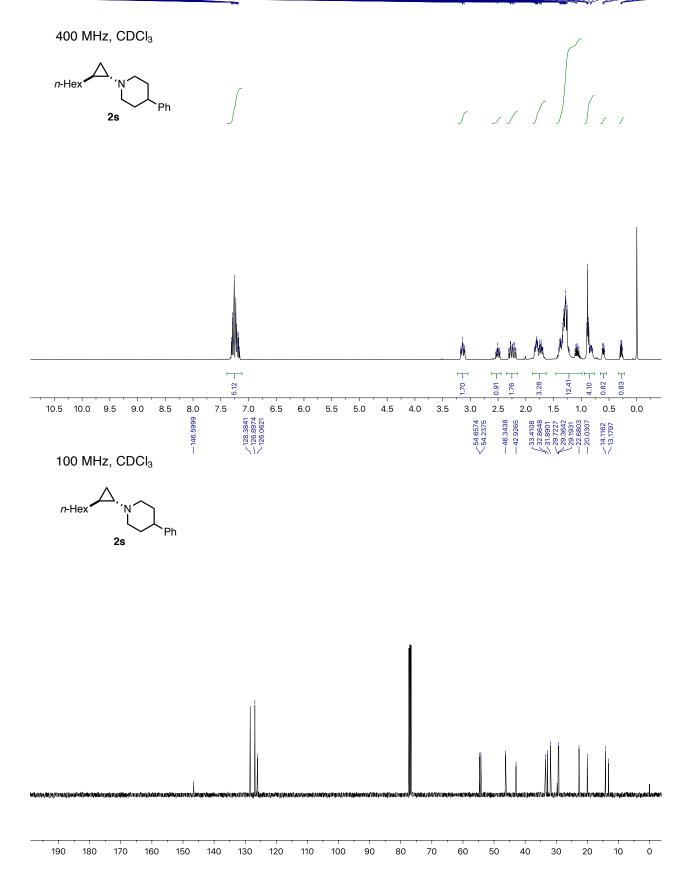


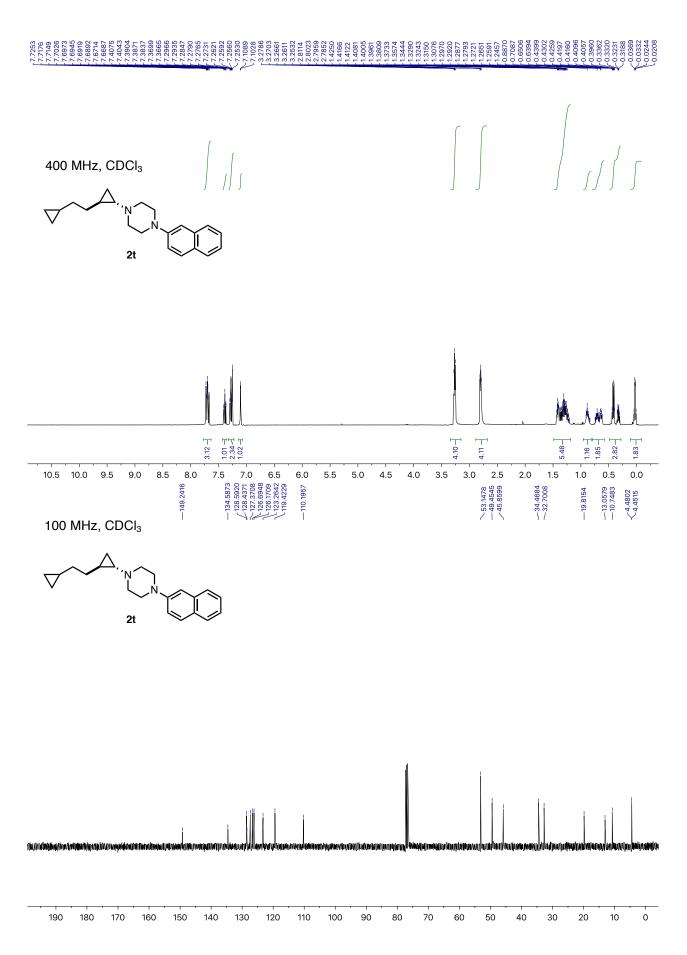


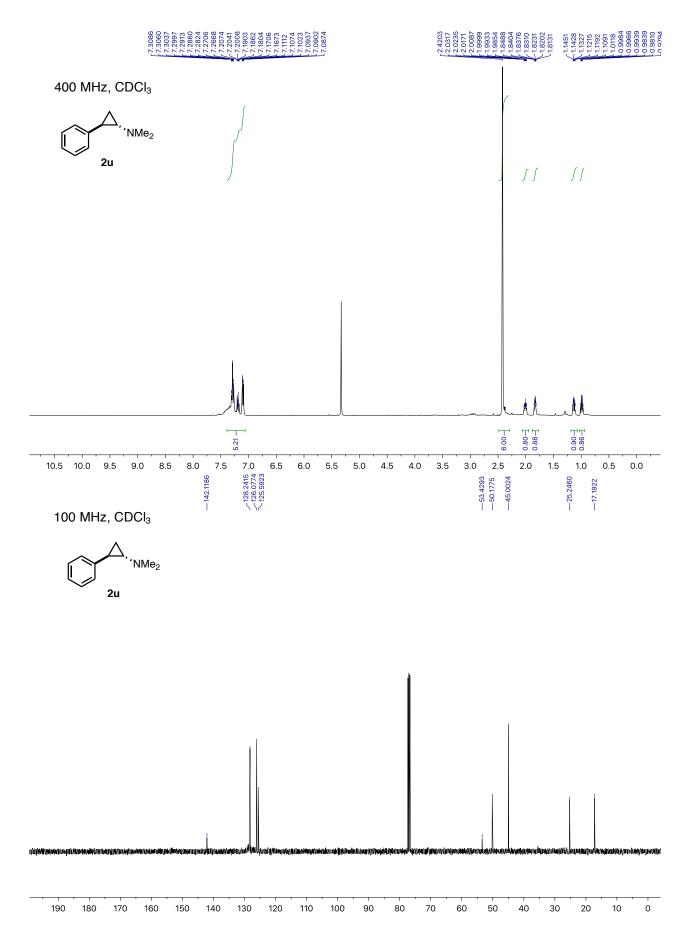
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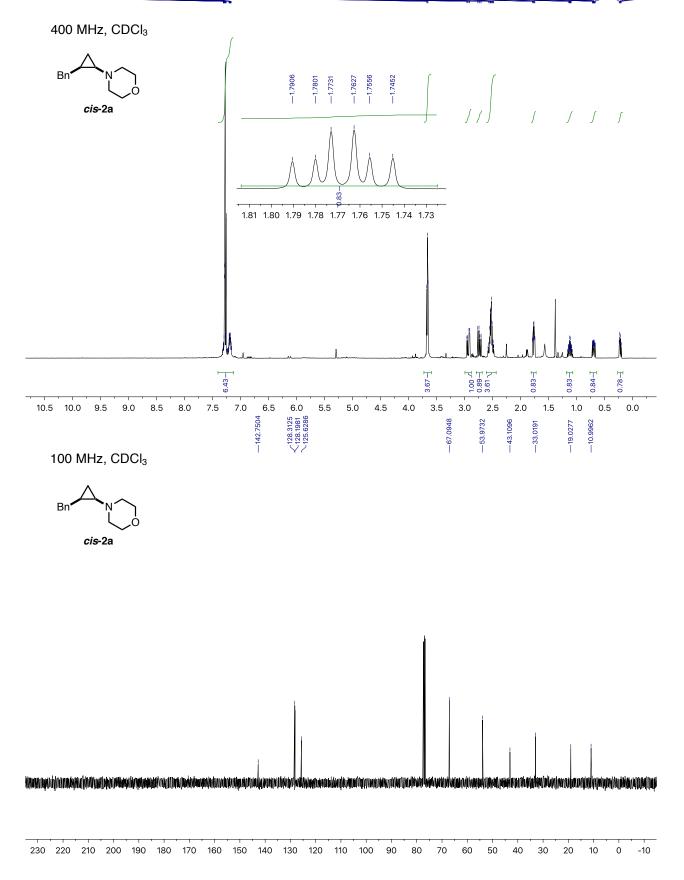
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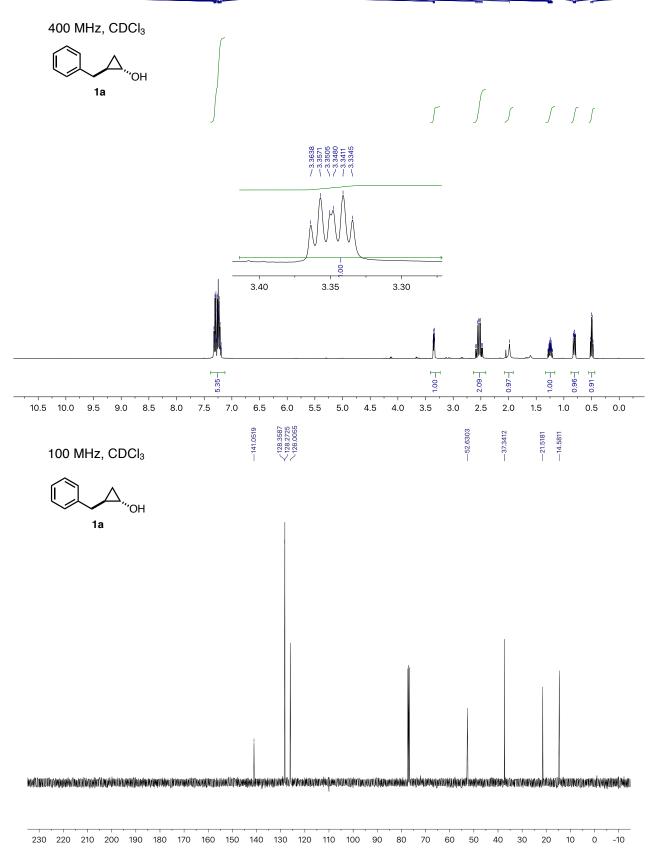


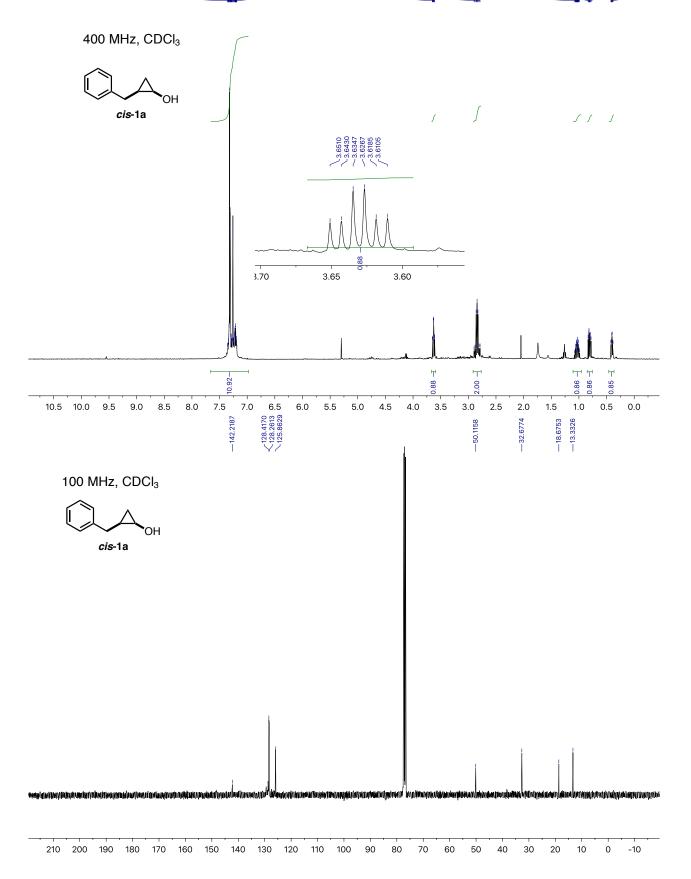


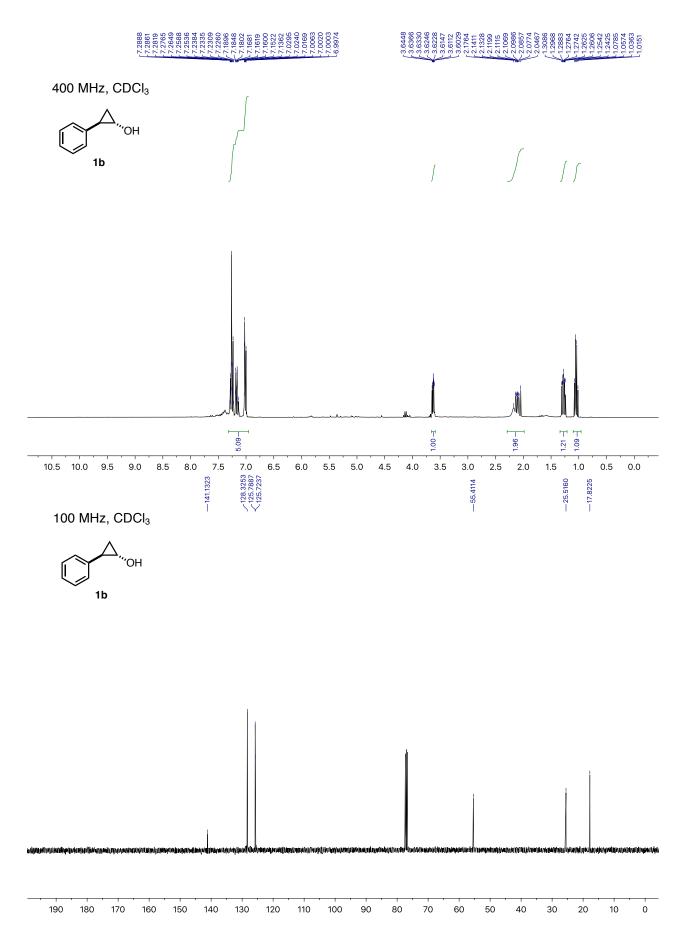
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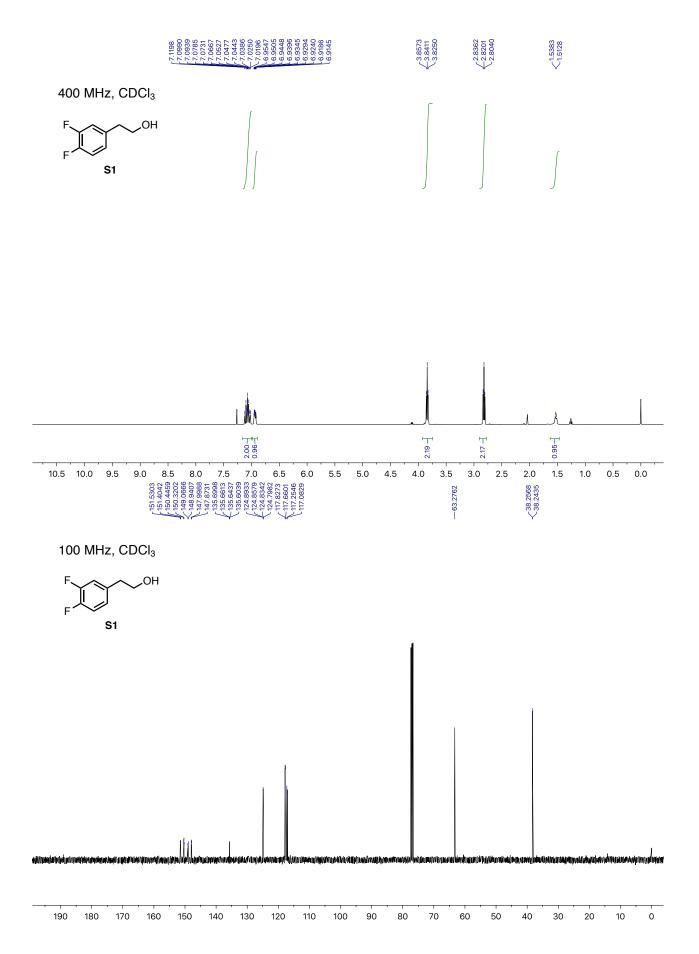


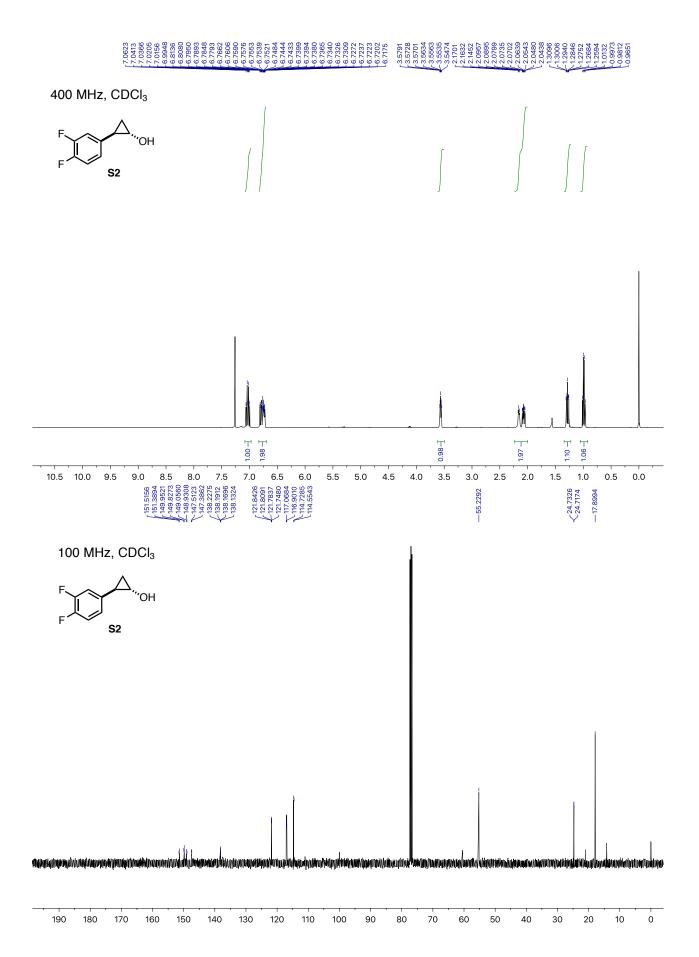
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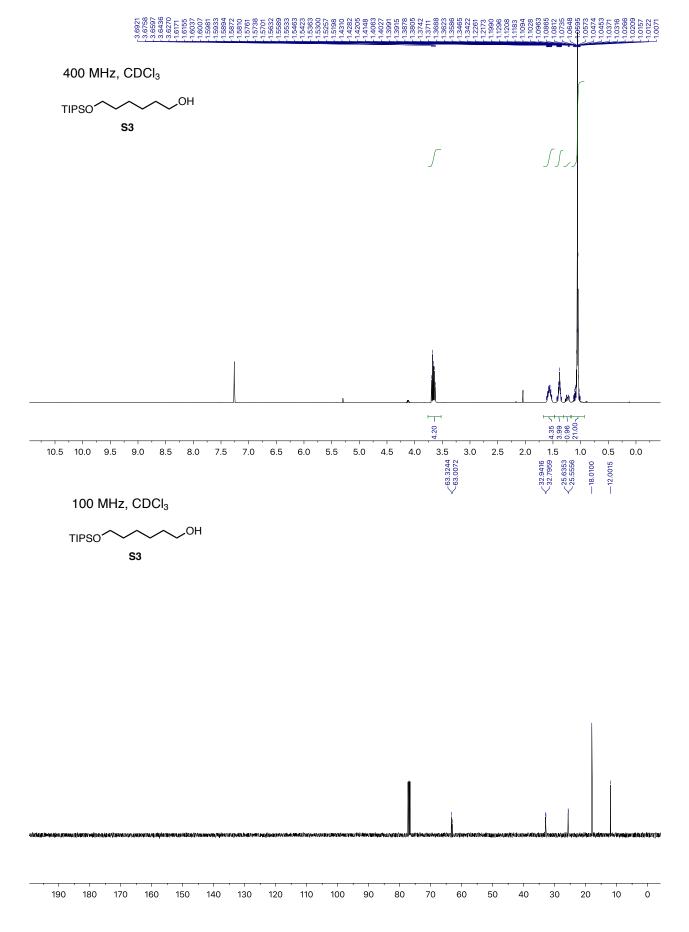


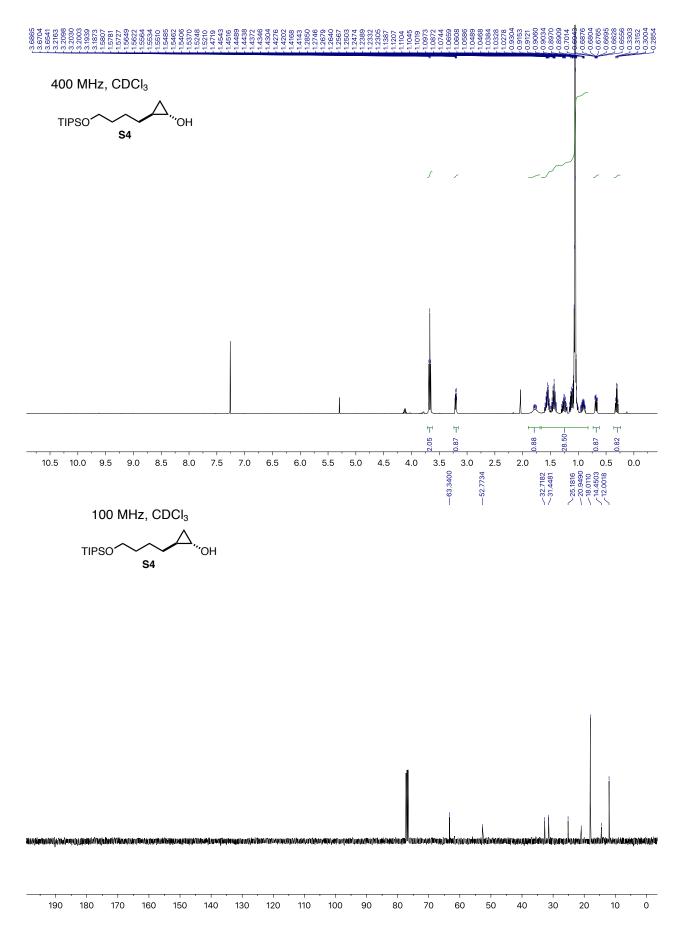




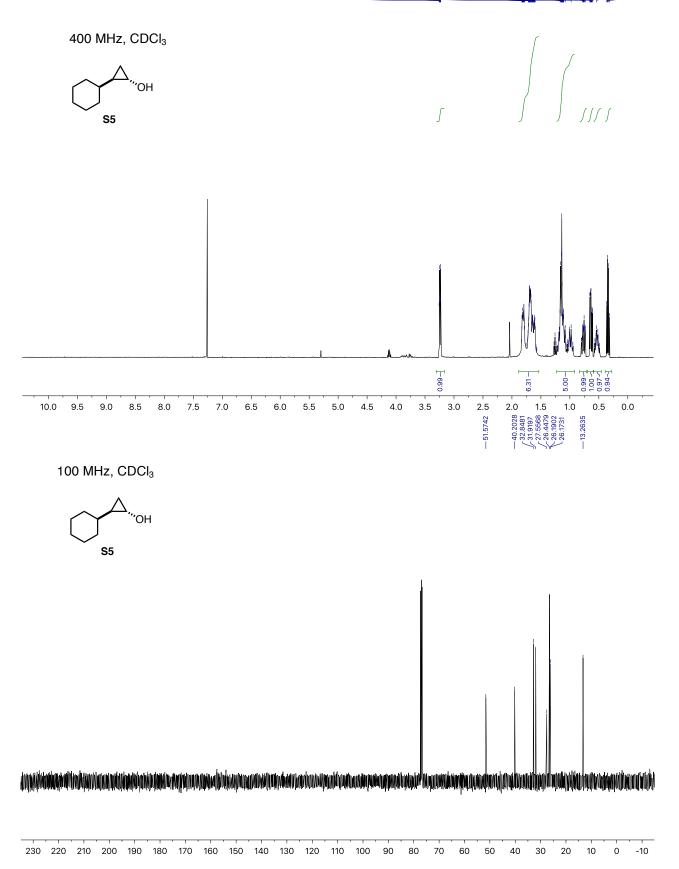


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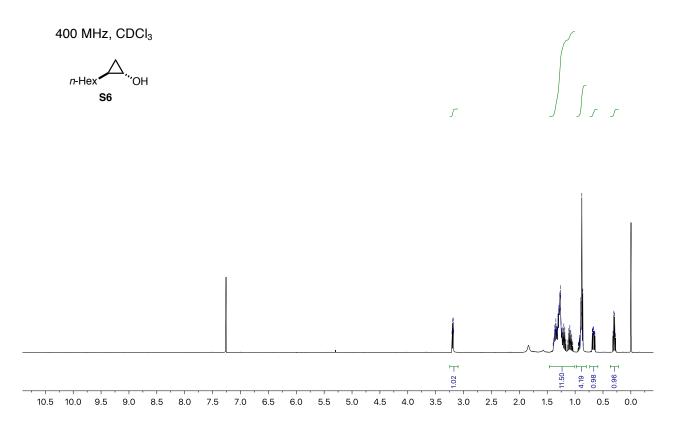


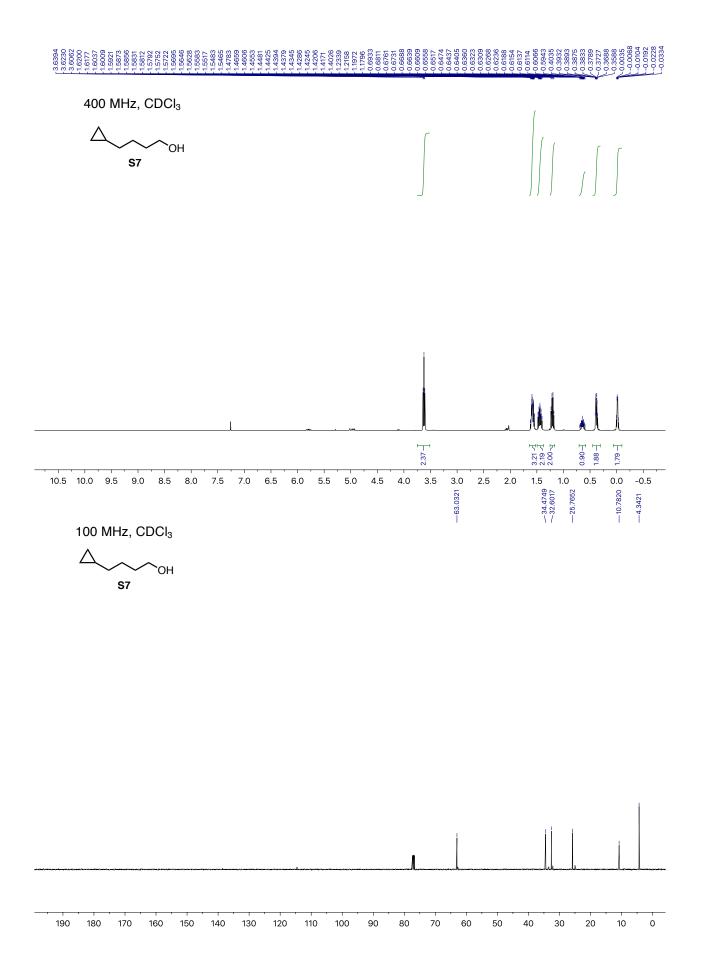


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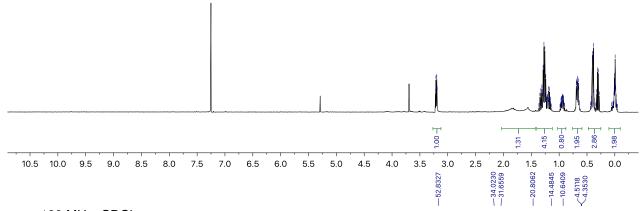
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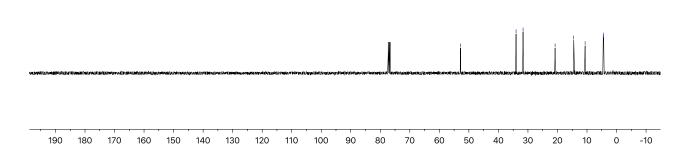
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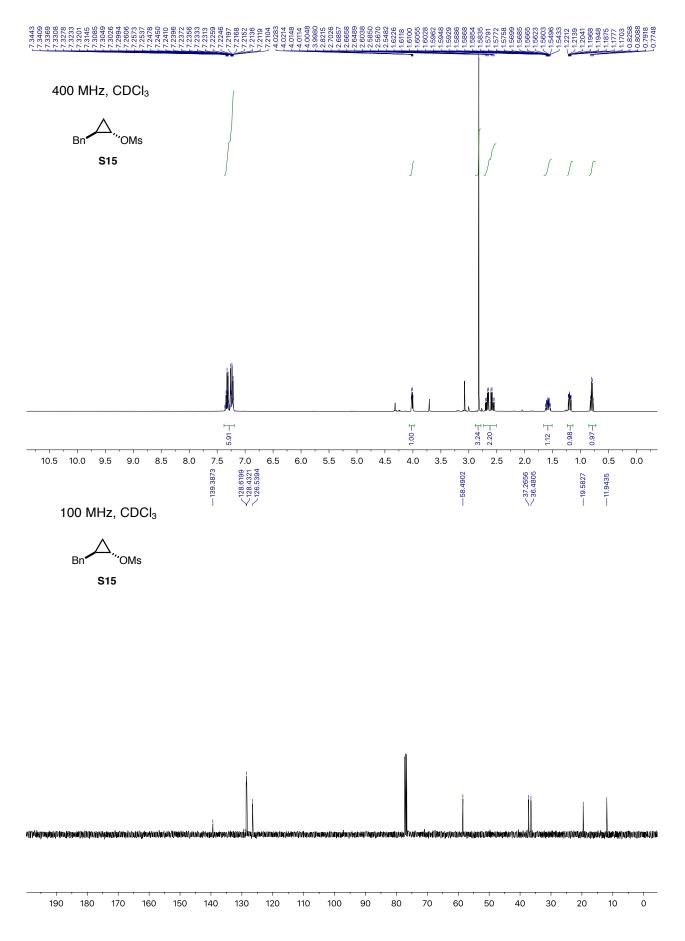
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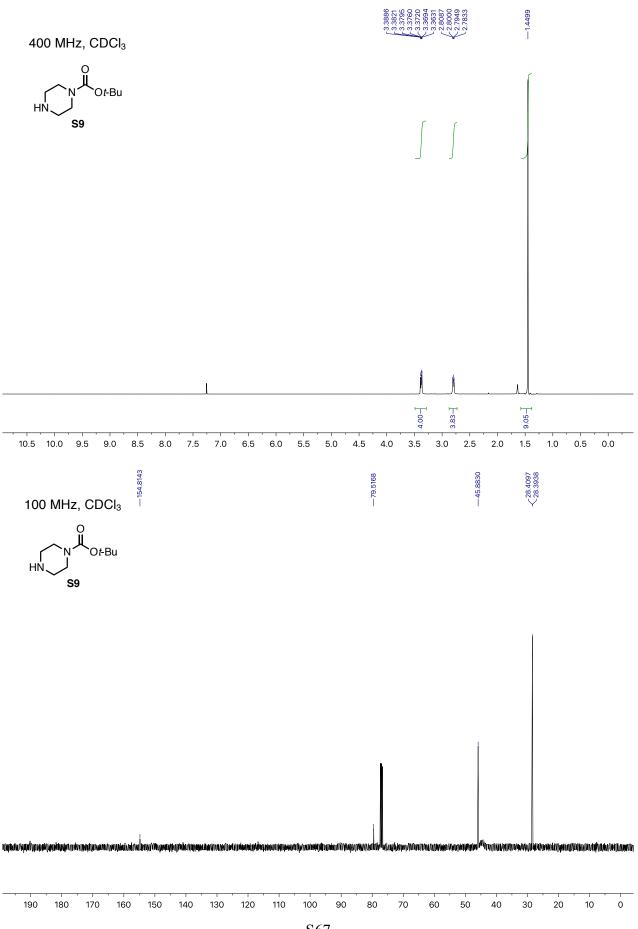


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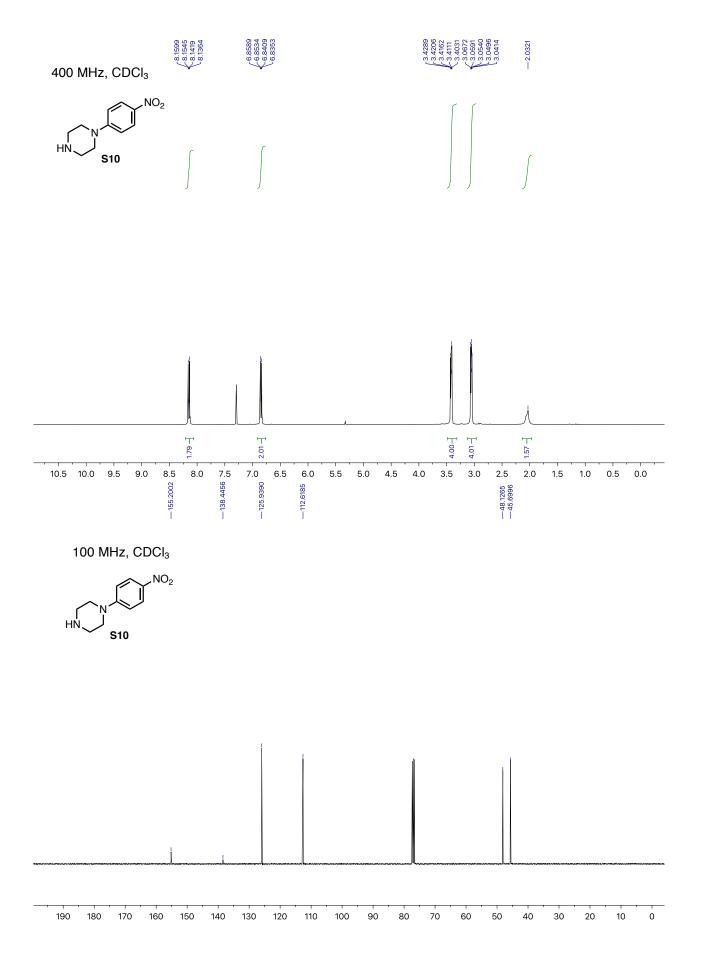
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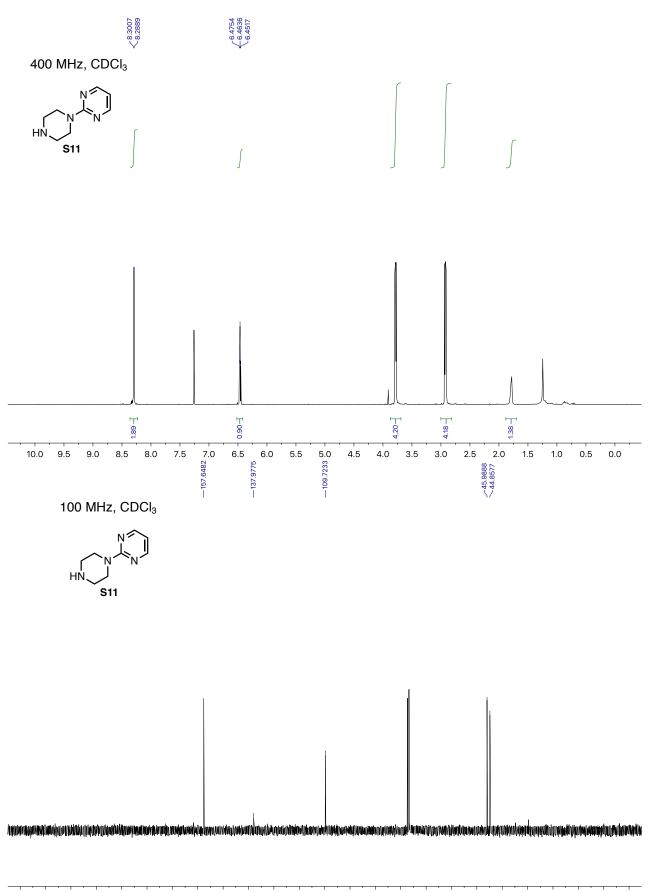


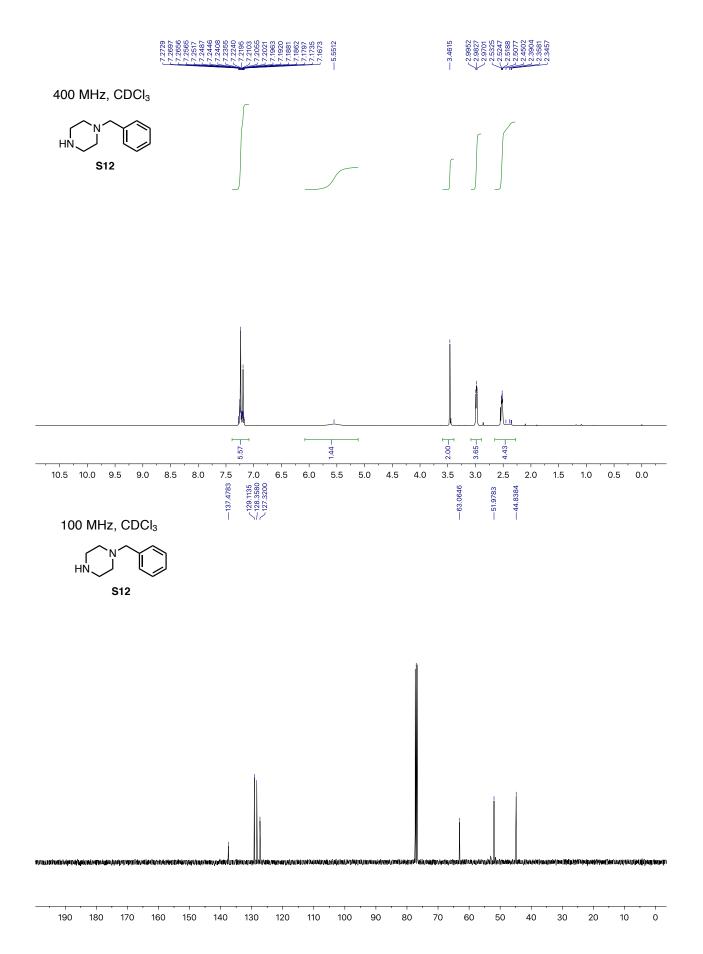


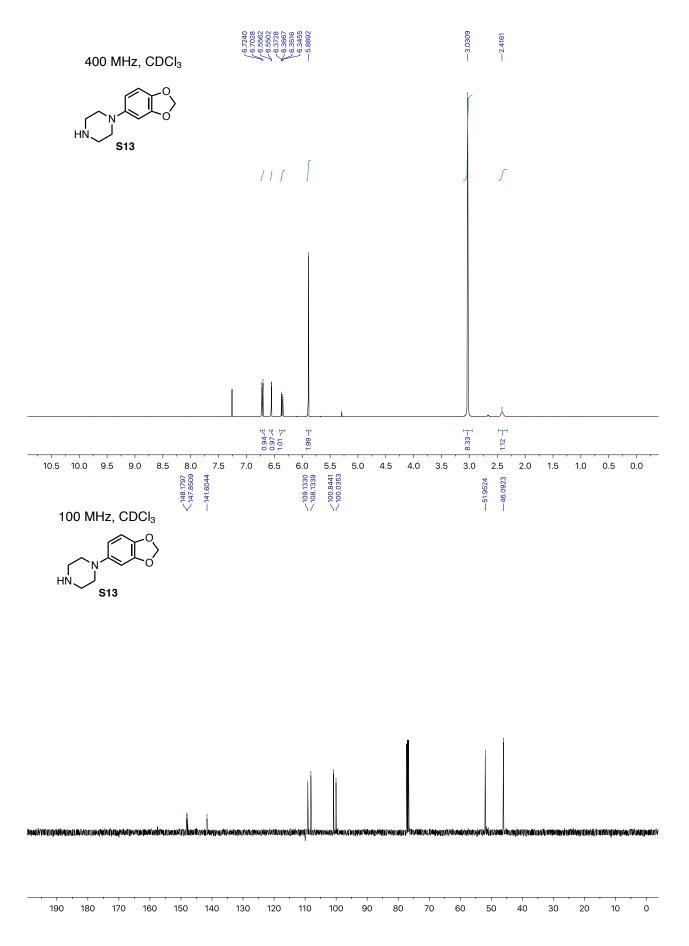


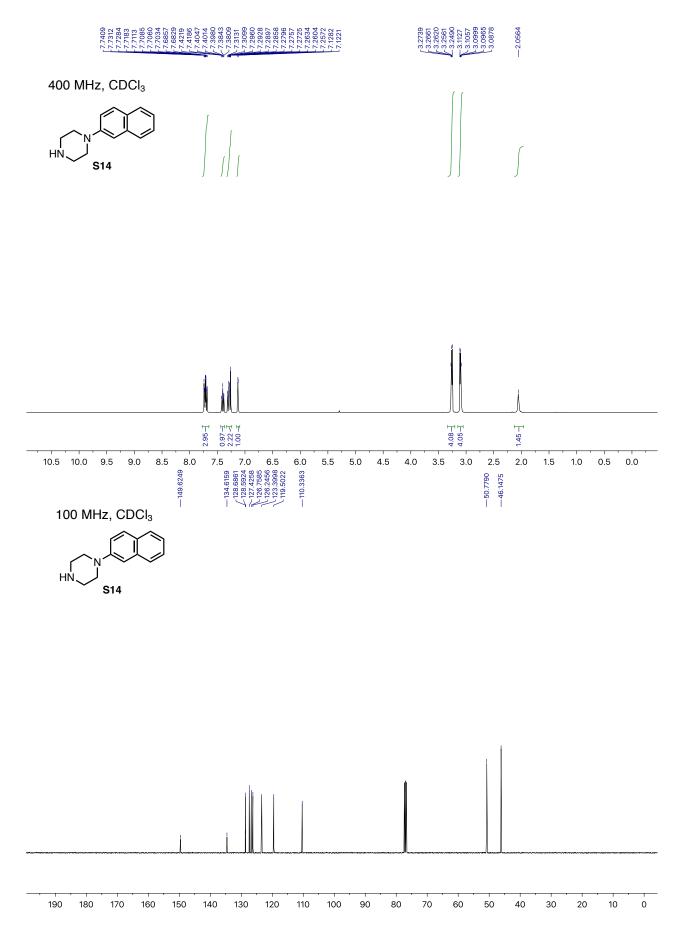
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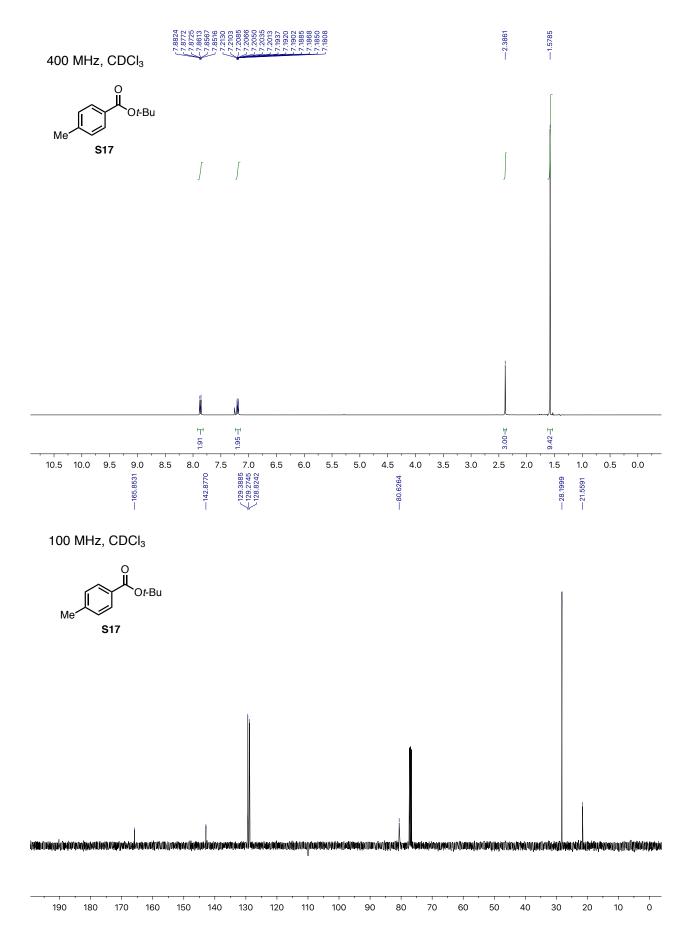


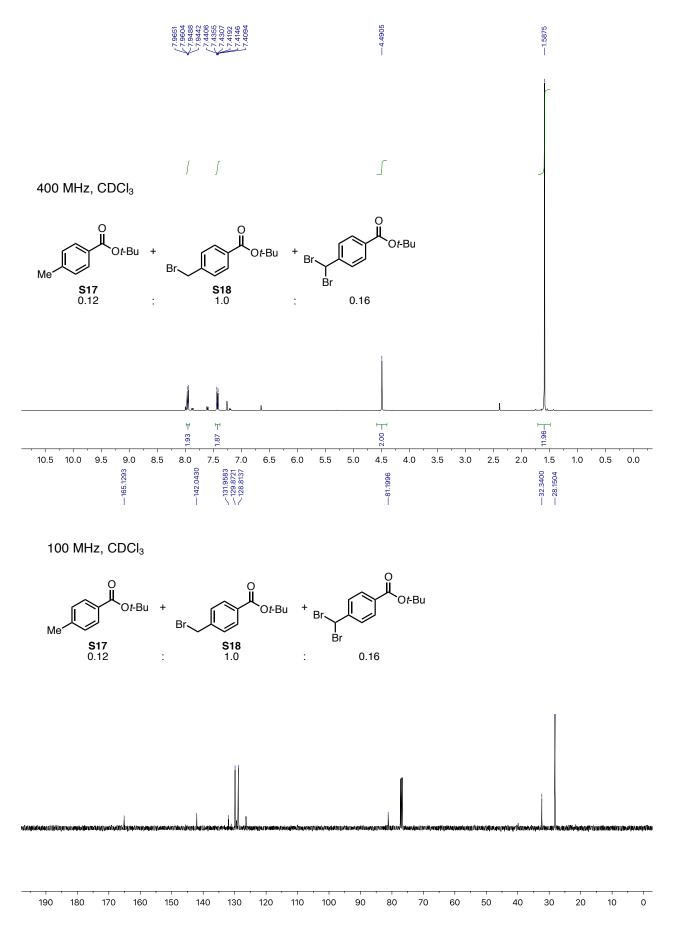


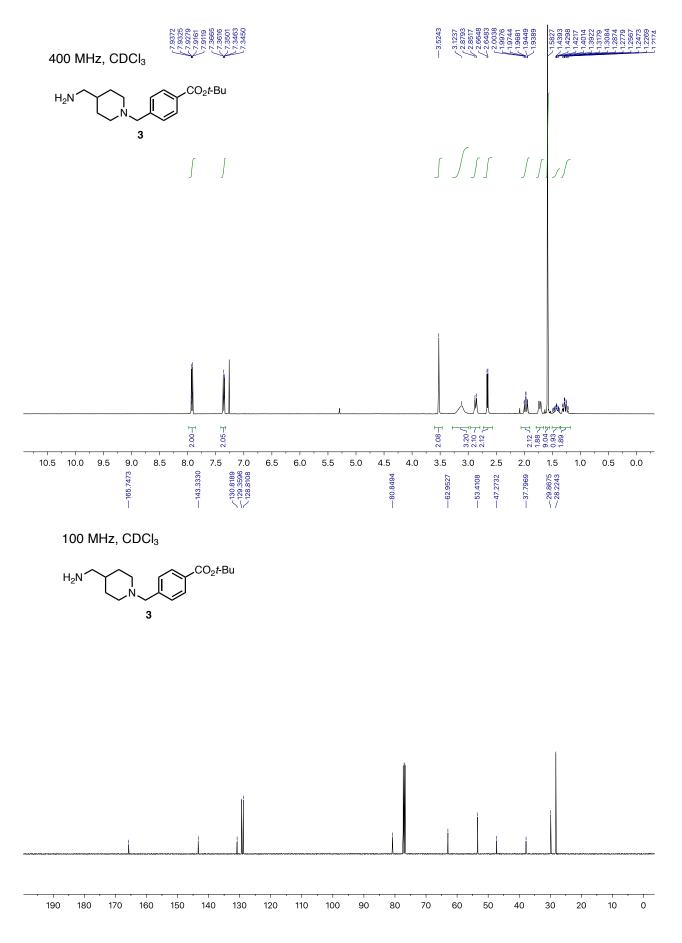


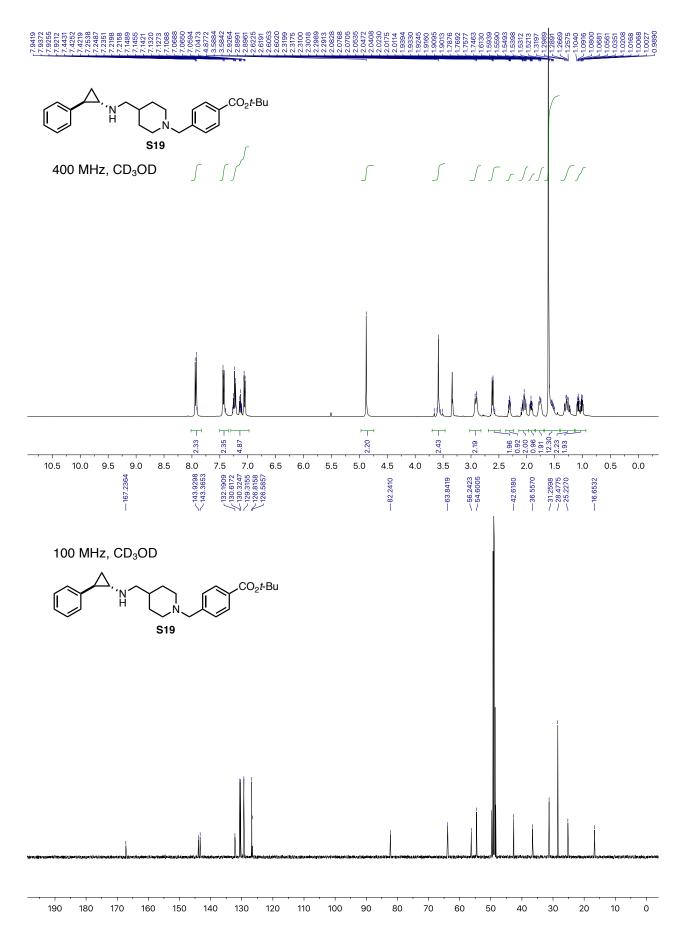


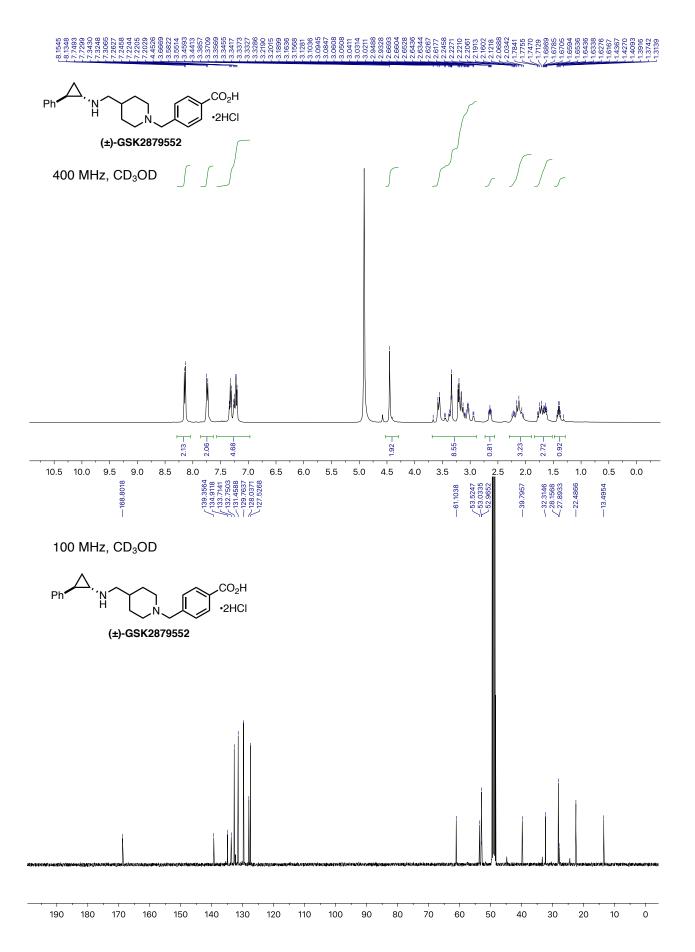


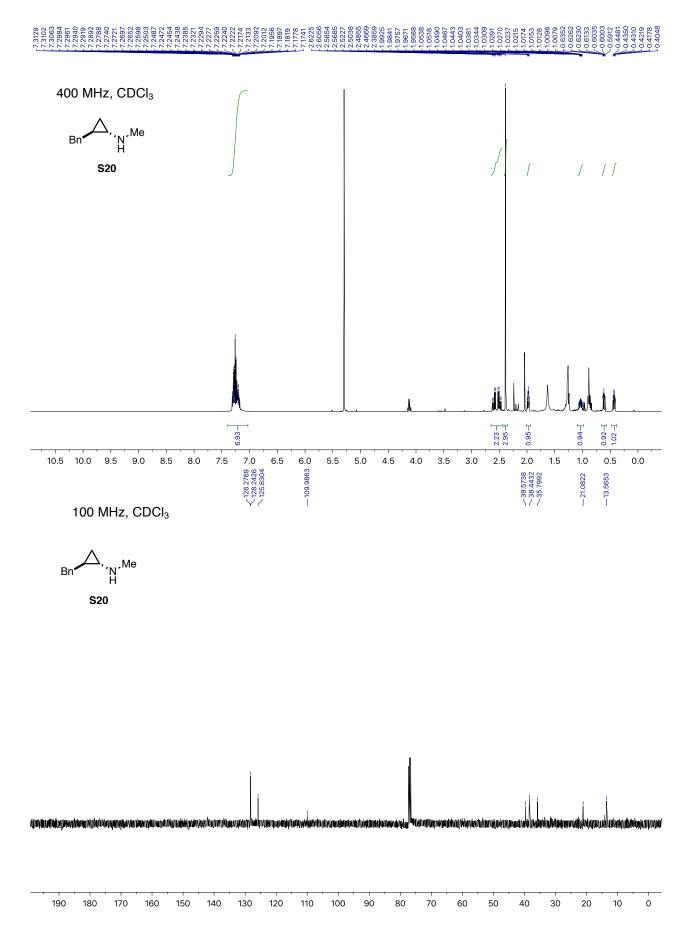


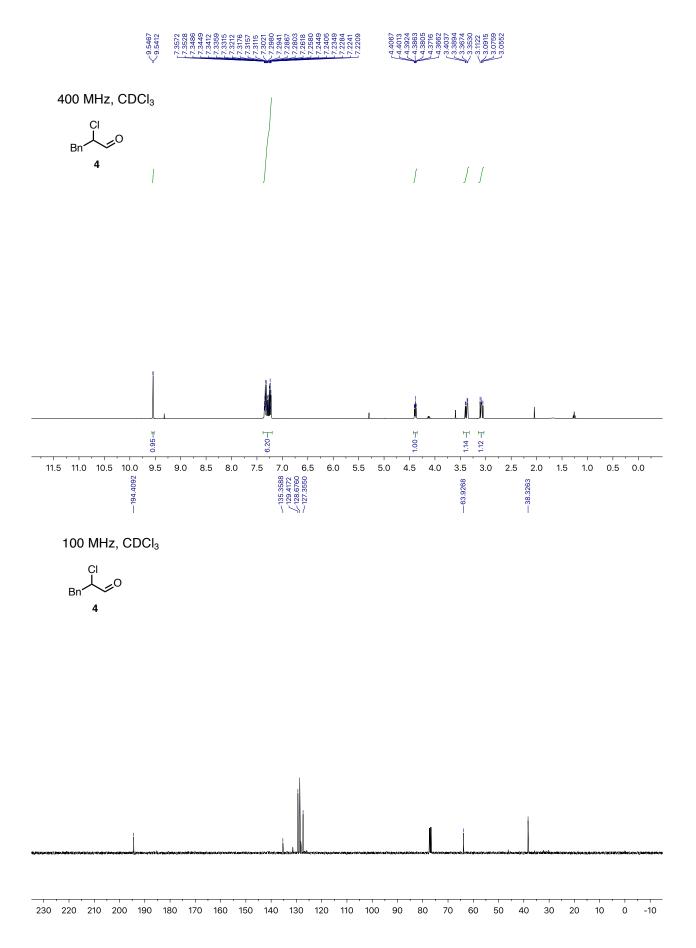




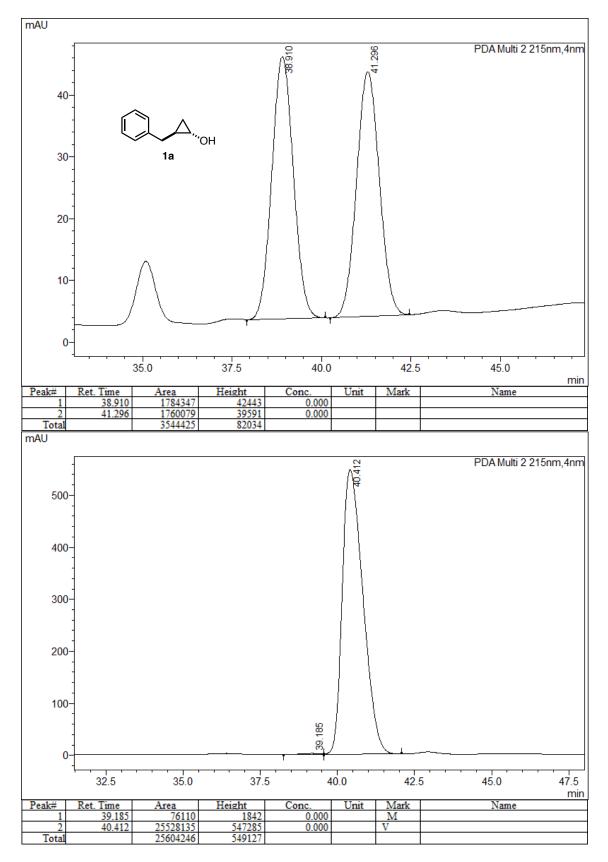


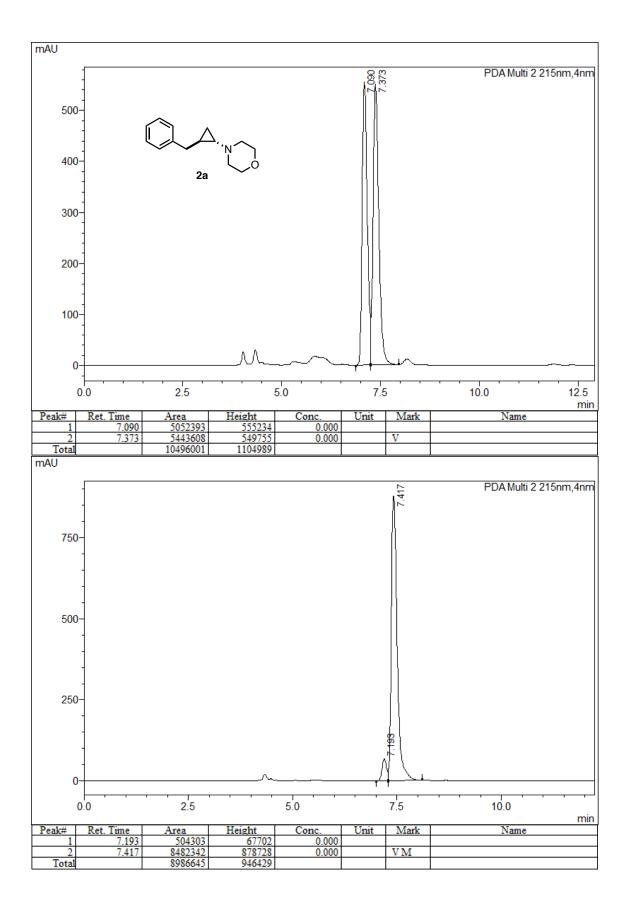


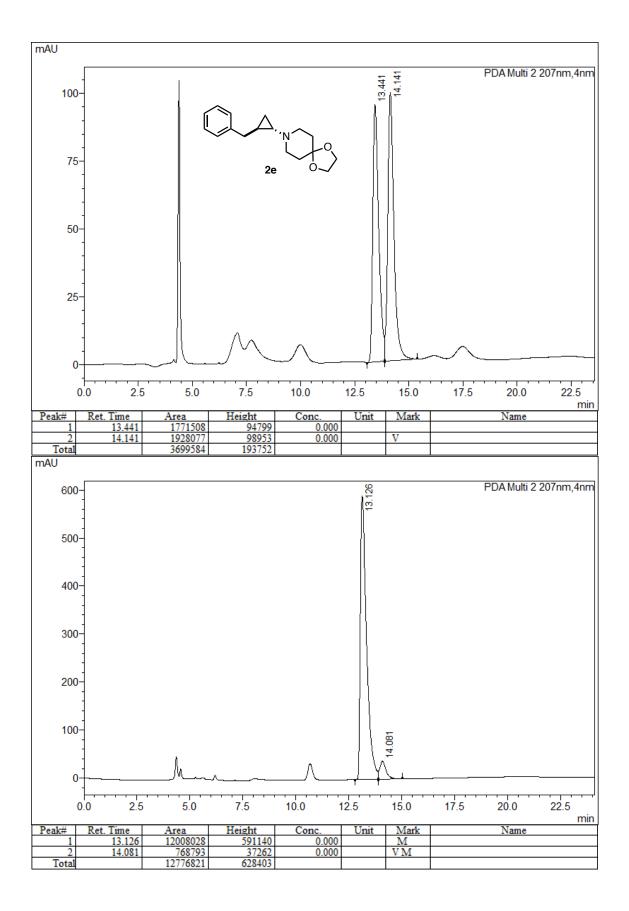


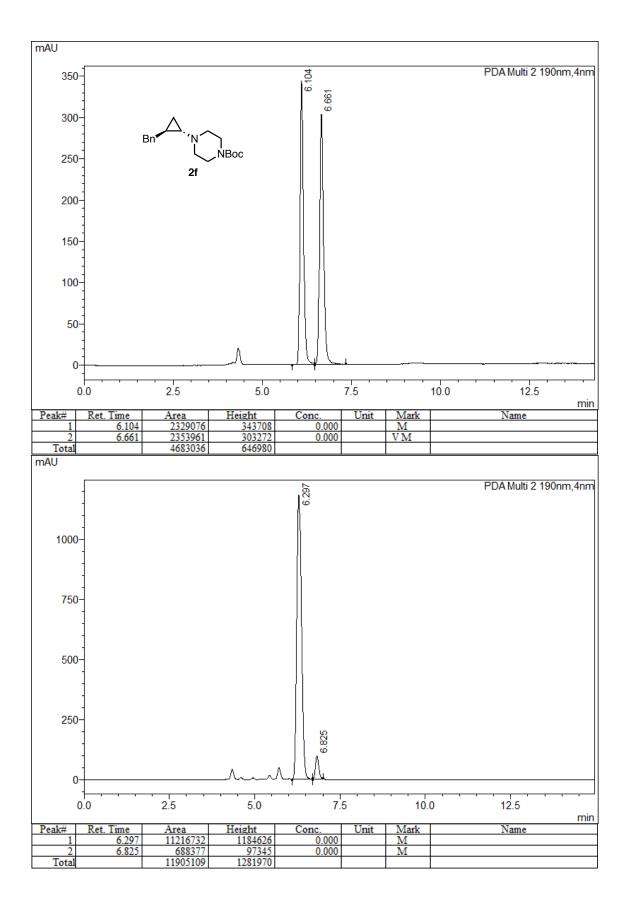


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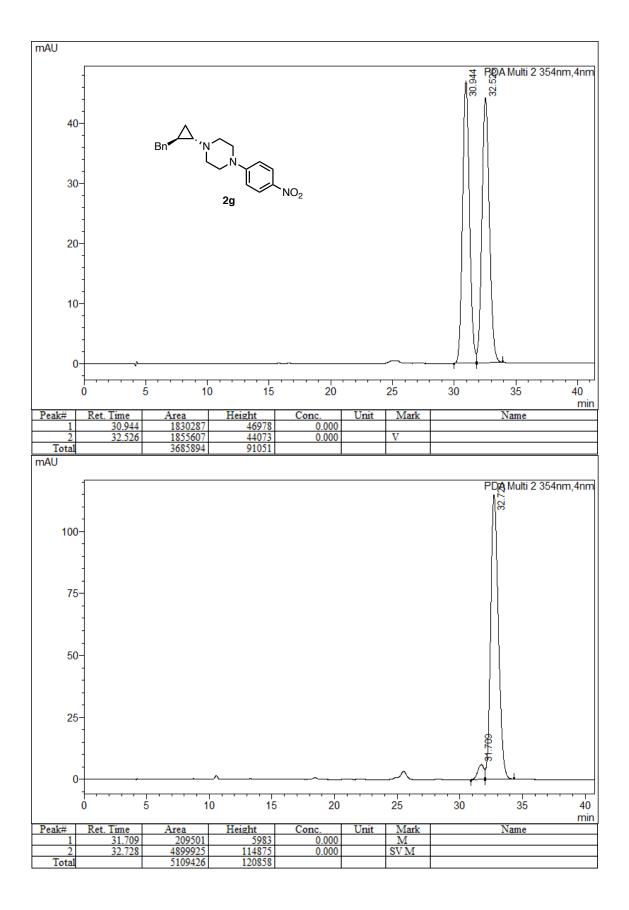


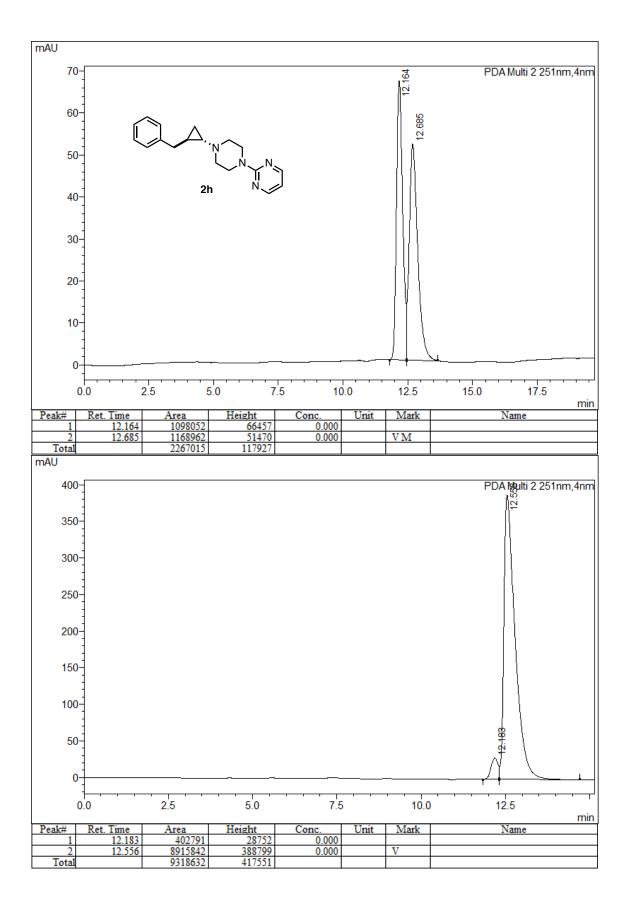




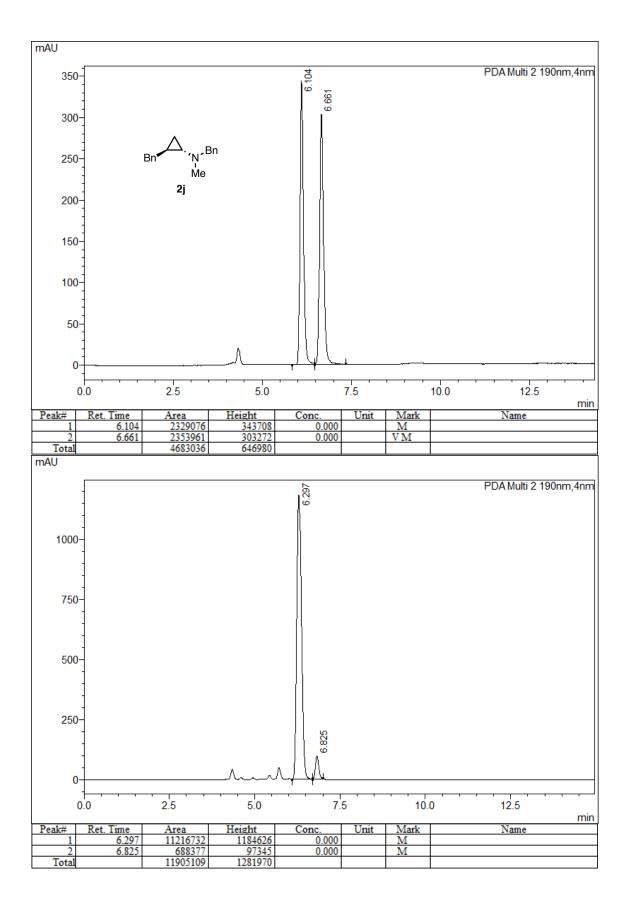


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