

Supporting information

for

**Stereoselective Construction of  $\alpha$ -Tetralone-Fused Spirooxindoles via Pd-Catalyzed Domino Carbene Migratory Insertion/Conjugate Addition Sequence**

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## **1. General information**

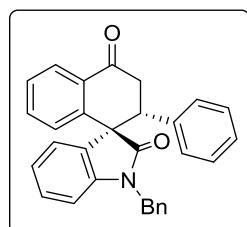
All reactions were carried out in oven-dried reaction tubes. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) using Merck silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> precoated plates (0.25 mm) and visualized by UV fluorescence quenching using appropriate mixture of ethyl acetate and hexanes. Silica gel (particle size: 100-200 mesh) was purchased from Avra Synthesis Pvt. Ltd and used for column chromatography using hexanes and ethyl acetate mixture as eluent. All the reactions were carried out in temperature controlled IKA magnetic stirrers. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz and 500 MHz (100 MHz and 125 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C) instrument. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were reported relative to residual CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  7.26 ppm) and DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> ( $\delta$  2.50 ppm) or residual TMS. <sup>13</sup>C NMR were reported relative to CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  77.16 ppm) and DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> ( $\delta$  39.51 ppm). Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million and multiplicities are as indicated: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), p (pentet), m (multiplet), and br (broad). Coupling constants, *J*, are reported in Hertz. Melting points were recorded on a Guna capillary melting point apparatus and are corrected with benzoic acid as reference. Infrared spectra were recorded on a FTIR 4000 Series Spectrometer using dry KBr pellet. The wave numbers of recorded IR signals are quoted in cm<sup>-1</sup>. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on Q-ToF Micro mass spectrometer.

Solvents used for extraction and column chromatography were laboratory grade and used as received. Reaction solvents used were obtained from Fischer Scientific, India Pvt. Ltd. Allylpalladium chloride dimer and PPh<sub>3</sub> were obtained from Sigma-Aldrich and used directly as received.

## 2. Experimental data

### 2.1. General procedure for the synthesis of $\alpha$ -tetralone-fused spirooxindoles 3

Under open atmosphere, *E*-2'-iodochalcone **1** (167 mg, 0.5 mmol), isatin-derived *N*-tosylhydrazone **2** (304 mg, 0.75 mmol),  $[\text{Pd}(\text{allyl})\text{Cl}]_2$  (18.5 mg, 0.05 mmol),  $\text{PPh}_3$  (39.5 mg, 0.15 mmol), TBAB (40 mg, 0.125 mmol) and DIPEA (262  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.5 mmol) were successively added to oven-dried reaction tube.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  (3 mL) was added and closed with a glass-stopper. The reaction tube was then immersed in a 50 °C pre-heated oil bath with stirring (500 rpm) till complete consumption of 2'-iodochalcone. Upon cooling down to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Water (approx. 10 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and extracted with dichloromethane ( $3 \times 5$  mL). Brine wash ( $1 \times 5$  mL) was given to the combined organic extractions and dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The dr was determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture and was subsequently purified by silica gel column separation using hexanes and ethylacetate mixture (8:2, v/v) as mobile phase afforded the corresponding spirooxindoles **3**.

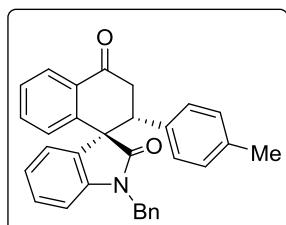


**1-Benzyl-2'-phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3b):** 189 mg, 88% yield; 91:09 dr (*anti:syn*); **Major:** white solid; mp 164–166 °C;  $R_f$  0.42 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  3.01 (dd,  $J = 18.2, 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.54 (dd,  $J = 18.2, 14.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd,  $J = 14.4, 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J = 15.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.90 (d,  $J = 15.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.44–6.51 (m, 1H), 6.64 (d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 6.89–7.02 (m, 2H), 7.06–7.28 (m, 8H), 7.44 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.6$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  40.7, 44.0, 47.5, 58.8, 110.2, 122.7, 125.1, 126.8, 127.4, 127.5, 128.0 (2C), 128.3, 128.4, 128.6, 128.8, 128.9, 130.1, 131.9, 135.0, 135.1, 137.7, 142.6, 143.5, 177.9, 196.9; FTIR (KBr) 3059, 3032, 2920, 1714, 1685, 1608, 1466, 1359, 1294, 758, 700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ : 452.1626; found: 452.1607.

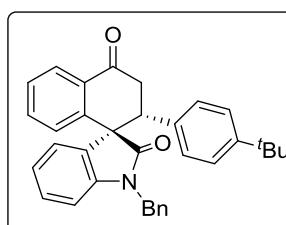


**Minor (3b')** : white solid; mp 191–193 °C;  $R_f$  0.45 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.86 (dd,  $J = 16.6, 3.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.05 (dd,  $J = 14.6, 3.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.37 (dd,  $J = 16.6, 14.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d,  $J = 15.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d,  $J = 15.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.43–6.49 (m, 1H), 6.61 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.81–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.97–7.26 (m, 11H), 7.39 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 8.25 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.8$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  39.4, 43.9, 48.6, 57.4, 109.4, 123.2, 124.5, 127.1, 127.5, 127.6,

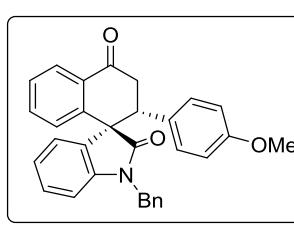
127.9, 128.0, 128.1, 128.4, 128.6, 128.7, 128.8, 132.6, 133.0, 134.1, 135.3, 137.7, 142.6, 143.5, 176.0, 197.5; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 3032, 1704, 1610, 1492, 1359, 1297, 751, 700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^{+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{24}\text{Na}$ : 430.1807; found: 430.1836.



**1-Benzyl-2'-(*p*-tolyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3c):** 186 mg, 84% yield; 91:09 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 101-103 °C;  $R_f$  0.41 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 MHz)  $\delta$  2.31 (s, 3H), 2.97 (dd,  $J$  = 18.2, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (dd,  $J$  = 18.2, 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (dd,  $J$  = 14.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47-6.51 (m, 1H), 6.66 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87-7.01 (m, 4H), 7.09-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.43 (td,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (td,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd,  $J$  = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 MHz)  $\delta$  21.4, 40.9, 44.1, 47.1, 58.9, 110.2, 122.7, 125.2, 126.9, 127.3, 127.4, 128.0, 128.3, 128.5, 128.7, 128.8, 129.1, 130.3, 131.9, 134.8, 135.0, 135.1, 137.5, 142.6, 143.7, 178.0, 197.1; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 3030, 1714, 1685, 1606, 1462, 1359, 1294, 736  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H] $^{+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_2$ : 444.1964; found: 444.1993.

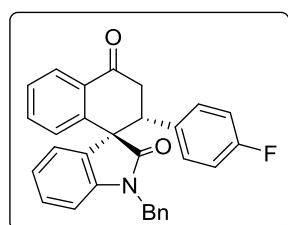


**1-Benzyl-2'-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3d):** 209 mg, 86% yield; 91:09 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 120-122 °C;  $R_f$  0.51 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 MHz)  $\delta$  1.26 (s, 9H), 3.00 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (dd,  $J$  = 14.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d,  $J$  = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (d,  $J$  = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.88-7.01 (m, 4H), 7.05-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.43 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd,  $J$  = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  31.5, 34.6, 40.7, 44.2, 47.1, 58.8, 110.0, 122.6, 124.9, 125.1, 127.1, 127.4, 127.6, 127.9, 128.2, 128.3, 128.8, 128.9, 130.3, 132.1, 134.6, 134.9, 135.4, 142.7, 143.4, 150.7, 178.0, 197.1; FTIR (KBr) 3058, 2959, 2926, 1713, 1685, 1608, 1465, 1361, 1294, 833, 753  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H] $^{+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_2$ : 486.2433; found: 486.2415.

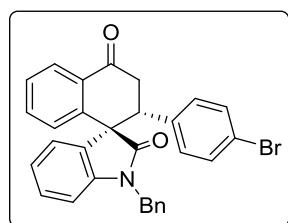


**1-Benzyl-2'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3e):** 211 mg, 92% yield; 89:11 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 196-198 °C;  $R_f$  0.38 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.97 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.19 (dd,  $J$  = 14.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.76 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.89-7.02 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.43 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$

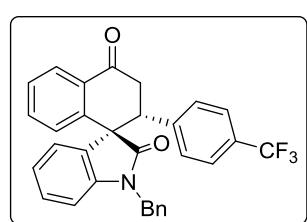
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**1-Benzyl-2'-(4-fluorophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3f):** 190 mg, 85% yield; 91:09 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 163-165 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.44 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) 2.97 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.65-6.84 (m, 6H), 6.92 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.25 (m, 5H), 7.44 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.8, 44.1, 46.7, 58.8, 110.2, 115.2 (d, *J* = 21 Hz), 122.8, 125.2, 126.9, 127.4, 127.7, 128.0, 128.4, 128.8, 129.1, 129.9, 130.2 (d, *J* = 8 Hz), 131.9, 133.5 (d, *J* = 4 Hz), 135.0, 135.1, 142.6, 143.4, 162.5 (d, *J* = 245 Hz), 177.8, 196.5; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 2910, 1714, 1686, 1604, 1487, 1362, 1295, 839, 735 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>F: 448.1713; found: 448.1700.

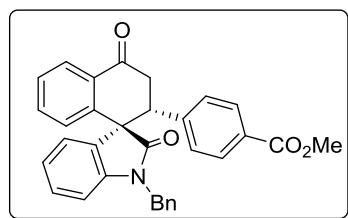


**1-Benzyl-2'-(4-bromophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3g):** 216 mg, 85% yield; 89:11 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 167-169 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.38 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 2.96 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.64-6.69 (m, 2H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.44 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 40.6, 44.2, 46.8, 58.5, 110.3, 122.1, 122.9, 125.1, 126.8, 127.3, 127.7, 128.0, 128.4, 128.9, 129.1, 129.8, 130.3, 131.5, 131.8, 134.8, 135.1, 136.7, 142.6, 143.4, 177.7, 196.4; FTIR (KBr) 3025, 2957, 1706, 1690, 1598, 1457, 1352, 1244, 773, 730 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>NaBr: 530.0732; found: 530.0719.

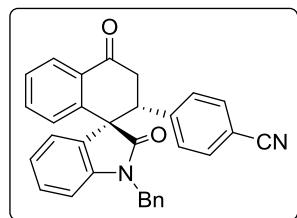


**1-Benzyl-2'-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3h):** 201 mg, 81% yield; 88:12 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 167-169 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.42 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 2.98 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* =

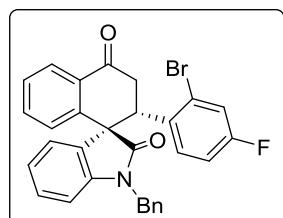
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**Methyl-4-(1-benzyl-2,4'-dioxo-3',4'-dihydro-2'H-spiro-[indoline-3,1'-naphthalen]-2'-yl)benzoate (3i):** 197 mg, 81% yield; 89:11 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 156-158 °C;  $R_f$  0.32 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.99 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.28 (dd,  $J$  = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d,  $J$  = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d,  $J$  = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.85-6.93 (m, 3H), 7.00 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.22 (m, 5H), 7.40-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 8.23 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  40.3, 44.1, 47.3, 52.3, 58.5, 110.2, 122.9, 125.2, 127.0, 127.4, 127.7, 128.0, 128.5, 128.6, 128.8, 129.2, 129.5, 129.7, 129.8, 131.9, 135.0, 135.1, 142.5, 142.7, 143.2, 166.9, 177.6, 196.2; FTIR (KBr) 3055, 2952, 1718, 1610, 1486, 1364, 1266, 753, 700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$ : 510.1681; found: 510.1693.

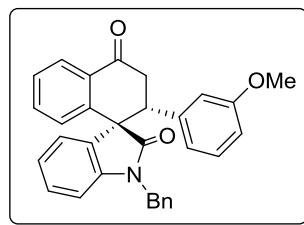


**1-Benzyl-2,4'-dioxo-3',4'-dihydro-2'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalen]-2'-yl)benzonitrile (3j):** 134 mg, 59% yield; 87:13 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 189-191 °C;  $R_f$  0.30 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.96 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.6 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (dd,  $J$  = 14.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J$  = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d,  $J$  = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.74-6.81 (m, 2H), 6.87-6.94 (m, 3H), 7.02 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.34 (m, 7H), 7.45 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.19-8.25 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  39.9, 44.2, 47.3, 58.3, 110.2, 111.9, 118.6, 123.1, 125.2, 127.1, 127.3, 128.0, 128.1, 128.6, 128.9, 129.3, 129.4, 131.7, 132.0, 134.9, 135.2, 142.5, 142.7 (2C), 142.9, 177.4, 195.7; FTIR (KBr) 3056, 2899, 2228, 1713, 1686, 1607, 1484, 1363, 1294, 847, 756  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ : 477.1579; found: 477.1579.

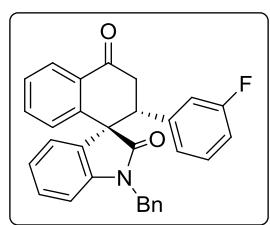


**1-Benzyl-2'-(2-bromo-4-fluorophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3k):** 197 mg, 75% yield; 88:12 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 207-209 °C;  $R_f$  0.38 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  3.06-3.25 (m, 2H), 4.51 (d,  $J$  =

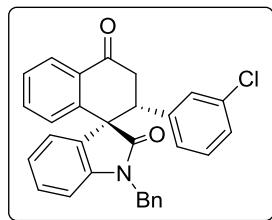
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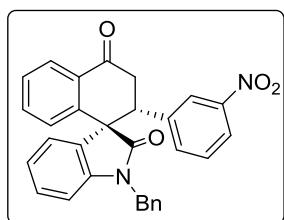
**1-Benzyl-2'-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3l):** 211 mg, 92% yield; 88:12 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 71-73 °C;  $R_f$  0.38 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  3.01 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.50 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (dd,  $J$  = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (t,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.48-6.56 (m, 2H), 6.62-6.69 (m, 2H), 6.75-6.81 (m, 1H), 6.93 (dd,  $J$  = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96-7.07 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.44 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.18-8.25 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 MHz)  $\delta$  40.9, 44.1, 47.5, 55.1, 58.7, 110.2, 112.9, 114.7, 121.3, 122.7, 125.1, 126.8, 127.4, 127.5, 128.0, 128.3, 128.9 (2C), 129.4, 130.4, 132.0, 135.0, 135.1, 139.2, 142.8, 143.6, 159.4, 177.8, 196.8; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 2953, 1685, 1603, 1715, 1363, 1295, 789  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_3\text{Na}$ : 482.1732; found: 482.1712.



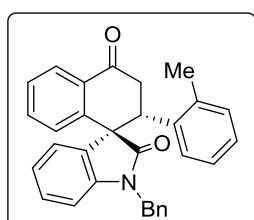
**1-Benzyl-2'-(3-fluorophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3m):** 177 mg, 79% yield; 90:10 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 118-120 °C;  $R_f$  0.39 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  3.00 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd,  $J$  = 14.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d,  $J$  = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d,  $J$  = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.46-6.53 (m, 1H), 6.55 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73-6.80 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.95 (m, 2H), 7.00 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.25 (m, 6H), 7.45 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  40.5, 44.1, 47.1, 58.5, 110.2, 115.0 (d,  $J$  = 21 Hz), 115.4 (d,  $J$  = 22 Hz), 122.9, 124.5 (d,  $J$  = 2 Hz), 125.1, 126.9, 127.4, 127.6, 128.0, 128.4, 128.9, 129.2, 129.7 (d,  $J$  = 9 Hz), 129.8, 131.8, 135.1, 140.1, 140.2, 142.6, 143.3, 162.5 (d,  $J$  = 245 Hz), 177.7, 196.3; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 2921, 1714, 1687, 1608, 1485, 1364, 1295, 733, 699  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_2\text{FNa}$ : 470.1532; found: 470.1507.



**1-Benzyl-2'-(3-chlorophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3n):** 174 mg, 75% yield; 90:10 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 81-83 °C;  $R_f$  0.38 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.98 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 14.6 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (dd,  $J$  = 14.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d,  $J$  = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d,  $J$  = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69-6.82 (m, 4H), 6.92 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.96-7.05 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.25 (m, 6H), 7.44 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  40.5, 44.1, 47.1, 58.5, 110.3, 122.9, 125.1, 126.8 (2C), 127.4, 127.6, 128.0, 128.2, 128.5, 128.7, 128.9, 129.2, 129.6, 129.7, 131.8, 134.1, 135.0, 135.1, 139.7, 142.5, 143.2, 177.6, 196.3; FTIR (KBr) 3062, 2978, 1714, 1686, 1607, 1485, 1363, 1295, 754, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_2\text{NaCl}$ : 486.1237; found: 486.1268.

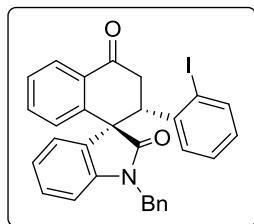


**1-Benzyl-2'-(3-nitrophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3o):** 183 mg, 77% yield; 90:10 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 162-164 °C;  $R_f$  0.32 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  3.00 (dd,  $J$  = 18.0, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.46-3.61 (m, 1H), 4.33 (dd,  $J$  = 14.4, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d,  $J$  = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d,  $J$  = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.28 (m, 7H), 7.43-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.96-8.04 (m, 1H), 8.23 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  40.2, 44.1, 46.9, 58.2, 110.2, 123.0, 123.1, 123.3, 125.2, 127.2, 127.4, 128.0, 128.1, 128.6, 128.9 (2C), 129.2, 129.6, 131.8, 135.0, 135.1, 135.2, 139.5, 142.3, 142.8, 147.8, 177.4, 195.6; FTIR (KBr) 3066, 2941, 1712, 1686, 1607, 1529, 1467, 1349, 1295, 754, 694 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{Na}$ : 497.1477; found: 497.1468.

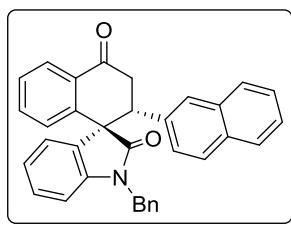


**1-Benzyl-2'-(o-tolyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3p):** 155 mg, 70% yield; 95:05 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 137-139 °C;  $R_f$  0.44 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.39 (s, 3H), 2.98 (dd,  $J$  = 18.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (dd,  $J$  = 18.4, 13.6 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (dd,  $J$  = 13.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d,  $J$  = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.49-6.57 (m, 3H), 6.70-6.79 (m, 1H), 6.90-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.99 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.03-7.22 (m, 7H), 7.45 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.21-8.28 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  20.4, 41.3, 41.8, 44.0, 58.2, 110.2, 122.8, 125.4, 125.8, 126.6, 126.7, 127.1, 127.4, 127.5, 128.1, 128.3, 128.9, 129.0, 130.5, 131.0, 132.0, 135.0 (2C), 136.8, 137.4, 142.8, 144.1, 178.2, 197.2; FTIR (KBr) 3056, 2924, 2853, 1714, 1684, 1608,

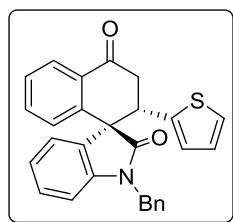
1466, 1363, 1294, 756, 736  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na: 466.1783; found: 466.1773.



**1-Benzyl-2'-(2-iodophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3q):** 178 mg, 64% yield; 89:11 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 99-101 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.39 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 3.15 (dd, *J* = 18.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (dd, *J* = 18.5, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.97 (m, 6H), 7.13-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.41-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.83 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.23-8.29 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 41.1, 44.1, 50.0, 57.3, 103.6, 110.1, 122.8, 125.7, 127.1, 127.3, 127.6, 128.1, 128.3, 128.4, 128.9 (2C), 129.1, 129.4, 129.9, 132.3, 134.9, 135.4, 140.4, 141.6, 142.8, 143.2, 177.0, 196.4; FTIR (KBr) 3061, 2904, 1718, 1683, 1608, 1467, 1361, 1294, 755, 735  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>I: 556.0774; found: 556.0760.

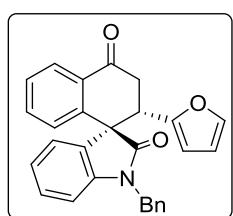


**1-Benzyl-2'-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro-[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3r):** 201 mg, 84% yield; 88:12 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 159-161 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.39 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.06 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.41 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.89-6.98 (m, 2H), 7.03 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.56 (m, 6H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 41.0, 44.0, 47.6, 58.8, 110.3, 122.8, 125.2, 126.0, 126.2, 126.3, 126.4, 127.2, 127.4, 127.7, 127.9, 128.0, 128.2, 128.3, 128.4 (2C), 129.0, 130.2, 131.9, 133.1, 133.3, 134.6, 135.1, 135.3, 142.6, 143.7, 177.9, 196.8; FTIR (KBr) 3058, 2910, 1715, 1685, 1606, 1486, 1362, 1294, 751, 736  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: 480.1964; found: 480.1963.

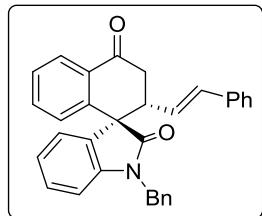


**1-Benzyl-2'-(thiophen-2-yl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3s):** 187 mg, 86% yield; 92:08 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 215-217 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.43 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 3.16 (dd, *J* = 18.2, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (dd, *J* = 18.2, 13.5 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78-6.84 (m, 3H), 6.92-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.99 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.03-7.09 (m, 2H), 7.17 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.44 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.18-8.24 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 42.7, 43.4, 44.1, 58.6, 110.2, 122.9, 125.0, 125.4, 126.3, 126.8, 126.9, 127.4,

127.5, 128.0, 128.4, 128.9, 129.1, 129.9, 131.8, 135.0, 135.1, 140.9, 143.0, 143.2, 177.7, 195.8; FTIR (KBr) 3066, 2952, 1715, 1684, 1606, 1465, 1295, 761 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S: 436.1371; found: 436.1393.



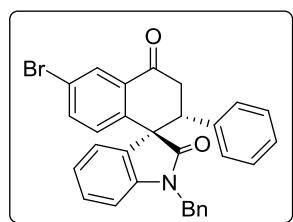
**1-Benzyl-2'-(furan-2-yl)-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3t):** 109 mg, 52% yield; 85:15 dr (*anti:syn*) (93:07 dr from the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of purified compound); Major: white solid; mp 173-175 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.41 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 3.28 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.88-4.98 (m, 2H), 5.79 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.48 (m, 2H), 8.19-8.28 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 38.4, 41.2, 44.3, 57.2, 107.7, 109.8, 110.2, 125.2, 127.4, 127.5, 127.8, 127.9, 128.4, 128.8, 129.0 (2C), 130.7, 132.1, 134.9, 135.5, 141.8, 142.5, 142.6, 152.5, 177.8, 196.0; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 2915, 1714, 1687, 1608, 1485, 1363, 1295, 739, 700 cm<sup>-1</sup>; [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na: 442.1419; found: 442.1449.



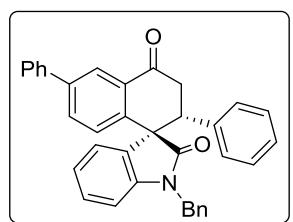
**1-Benzyl-2',6'-diphenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3u):** 173 mg, 76% yield; 65:35 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 91-93 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.42 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 2.99 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.75-3.85 (m, 1H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.87-6.94 (m, 3H), 6.98 (td, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.03-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.17-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.42 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.17-8.22 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.2, 44.5, 45.8, 110.2, 122.9, 125.1, 126.1, 126.7, 127.3, 127.4, 127.7, 127.8, 128.0, 128.1, 128.7 (2C), 128.8, 128.9, 130.2, 132.0, 134.1, 134.9, 135.2, 136.4, 142.6, 143.3, 178.3, 196.3; FTIR (KBr) 3030, 2925, 1715, 1687, 1605, 1461, 1357, 1295, 969, 752, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na: 478.1782; found: 478.1773.

**Minor (3u'): white solid; mp 147-149 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.46 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 2.85 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 7.2, 4.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.61-6.67 (m, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95-7.06 (m, 4H), 7.10-7.28 (m, 9H), 7.36-7.47 (m, 2H), 8.20-8.25 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 38.8, 44.2, 46.2, 56.2, 109.5, 123.6, 124.1, 126.1, 126.5, 127.2, 127.6, 127.8, 128.0, 128.4, 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 132.6, 133.0, 133.5, 134.0, 135.5, 136.5, 142.4, 143.8, 175.7, 196.9; FTIR (KBr) 3029, 2929, 1706, 1689,**

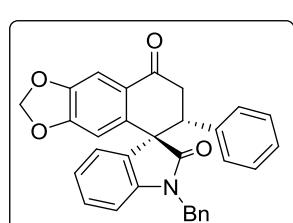
1609, 1490, 1357, 1295, 694  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: 456.1963; found: 456.1968.



**1-Benzyl-6'-bromo-2'-phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3v):** 198 mg, 78% yield; 90:10 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 168–170 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.54 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.01 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.76–6.87 (m, 3H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05–7.28 (m, 8H), 7.59 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.34 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.5, 44.1, 47.3, 58.4, 110.3, 122.7, 122.9, 125.1, 126.8, 127.5, 128.1, 128.4, 128.6, 128.9, 129.2, 129.3, 129.6, 130.8, 133.5, 135.0, 137.3, 137.7, 142.3, 142.6, 177.5, 195.6; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 2946, 1713, 1689, 1608, 1468, 1353, 1293, 736, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>NaBr: 530.0732; found: 530.0726.

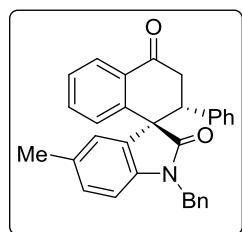


**1-Benzyl-2',6'-diphenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3w):** 210 mg, 83% yield; 90:10 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 196–198 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.48 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.05 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.63–6.70 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.08–7.29 (m, 8H), 7.35–7.52 (m, 3H), 7.58–7.66 (m, 2H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.46 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.8, 44.1, 47.5, 58.6, 110.2, 122.8, 125.2, 126.3, 126.8, 127.2, 127.5, 128.0, 128.1, 128.4, 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 129.1, 130.1, 132.3, 133.5, 135.0, 137.6, 139.6, 141.3, 142.3, 142.6, 177.9, 196.9; FTIR (KBr) 3057, 2894, 1715, 1685, 1608, 1486, 1359, 1266, 756, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS (*m/z*): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: 506.2120; found: 506.2137.

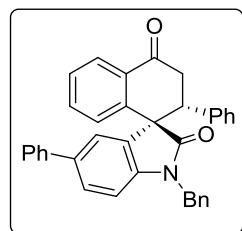


**1-Benzyl-6'-phenyl-6',7'-dihydro-8'H-spiro[indoline-3,5'-naphtho[2,3-d][1,3]dioxole]-2,8'-dione (3x):** 147 mg, 62% yield; 88:12 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 223–225 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.35 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 2.93 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.2 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05–7.27 (m, 8H), 7.63 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 40.3, 44.0, 47.6, 58.9, 102.2, 106.6, 106.7, 110.2, 122.8, 125.1, 126.7, 127.4, 127.5, 127.9, 128.3, 128.6, 128.8, 129.0, 129.9, 135.0, 137.6, 140.2, 142.5, 148.3, 153.2, 177.8, 195.1; FTIR (KBr) 3059, 2904, 1713, 1674, 1611, 1483,

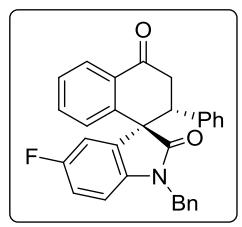
1363, 1295, 1268, 1038, 736, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: 474.1705; found: 474.1724.



**1-Benzyl-5-methyl-2'-phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3y):** 160 mg, 72% yield; 91:09 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 194-196 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.43 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 2.25 (s, 3H), 3.00 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.89-6.96 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.28 (m, 6H), 7.44 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 21.3, 40.7, 44.0, 47.4, 58.9, 109.9, 125.8, 126.7, 127.4 (2C), 127.9, 128.0, 128.3, 128.4, 128.7, 128.8, 129.3, 130.1, 131.9, 132.3, 135.0, 135.2, 137.8, 140.2, 143.8, 177.8, 197.1; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 3032, 2915, 1712, 1685, 1495, 1349, 1294, 736, 700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na: 466.1783; found: 466.1763.

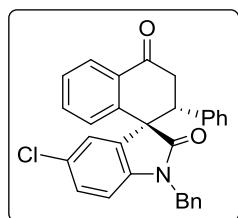


**1-Benzyl-2',5-diphenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3z):** 200 mg, 79% yield; 90:10 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 169-171 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.44 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 3.07 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.33 (m, 6H), 7.35-7.44 (m, 5H), 7.46 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 40.7, 44.2, 47.5, 58.9, 110.4, 123.9, 126.8, 126.9, 127.4, 127.5, 127.6, 127.8, 128.0, 128.1, 128.5 (2C), 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 130.8, 132.0, 135.0, 135.1, 136.2, 137.7, 140.3, 142.0, 143.3, 177.9, 196.8; FTIR (KBr) 3028, 2904, 1714, 1685, 1612, 1482, 1294, 1348, 736, 699  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: 506.2120; found: 506.2100.

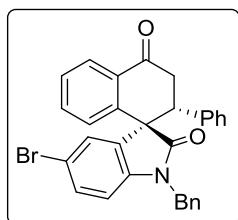


**1-Benzyl-5-fluoro-2'-phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3aa)** 141 mg, 63% yield; 89:11 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 166-168 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.43 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 3.03 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.35-6.41 (m, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (td, *J* = 8.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.88-6.93 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.29 (m, 6H), 7.47 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 40.5, 44.2, 47.4, 59.2, 110.8 (d, *J* = 9 Hz), 113.2 (d, *J* = 25 Hz), 115.3 (d, *J* = 24 Hz), 126.7 (2C), 127.5 (d, *J* = 30 Hz), 128.1, 128.2, 128.5, 128.6, 128.7, 128.9, 131.7 (d, *J* = 8 Hz), 131.9, 134.7, 135.1, 137.4, 138.5, 142.8,

159.0 (d,  $J = 241$  Hz), 177.7, 196.4; FTIR (KBr) 3057, 2926, 1715, 1688, 1601, 1489, 1345, 1294, 737, 702 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>F: 448.1713; found: 448.1692.



**1-Benzyl-5-chloro-2'-phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3ab)** 162 mg, 70% yield; 92:08 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 189-191 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.47 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.03 (dd,  $J = 18.0, 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd,  $J = 18.0, 14.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd,  $J = 14.4, 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.86 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 6.85-6.92 (m, 3H), 7.04-7.30 (m, 8H), 7.44-7.55 (m, 2H), 8.24 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 1.4$  Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.5, 44.2, 47.4, 59.0, 111.1, 125.4, 126.7 (2C), 127.3, 127.7, 128.1, 128.2, 128.5 (2C), 128.6, 128.7, 129.0 (2C), 131.9, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 141.2, 142.7, 177.5, 196.4; FTIR (KBr) 3066, 2956, 1717, 1687, 1604, 1483, 1343, 1294, 738, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>NaCl: 486.1237; found: 486.1225.



**1-Benzyl-5-bromo-2'-phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-4'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (3ac):** 188 mg, 74% yield; 88:12 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 196-198 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.47 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.03 (dd,  $J = 18.0, 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd,  $J = 18.0, 14.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd,  $J = 14.4, 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d,  $J = 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d,  $J = 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.33 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 6.84-6.92 (m, 3H), 7.10-7.29 (m, 8H), 7.44-7.55 (m, 2H), 8.22-8.28 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.5, 44.1, 47.5, 58.9, 111.6, 115.4, 126.7, 127.4, 127.7, 128.0, 128.1, 128.2, 128.5, 128.6, 128.7, 129.0, 131.8, 131.9, 132.2, 134.5, 135.1, 137.3, 141.7, 142.7, 177.4, 196.4; FTIR (KBr) 3058, 2911, 1718, 1686, 1602, 1480, 1344, 1295, 741, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>NaBr: 530.0732; found: 530.0745.

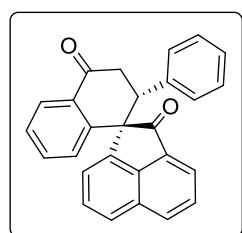
## 2.2. Procedure for one-synthesis of $\alpha$ -tetralone-fused spirooxindoles 3 from isatin

To a rapidly stirred suspension of tosylhydrazide (0.3 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1 mL), *N*-benzylisatin (0.3 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 1 h. After brought into room temperature, *E*-2'-iodochalcone **1** (0.2 mmol), [Pd(allyl)Cl]<sub>2</sub> (0.02 mmol), PPh<sub>3</sub> (0.06 mmol), TBAB 0.05 mmol), DIPEA (0.6 mmol) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1 mL) were successively added. The reaction tube was then immersed in a 50 °C pre-heated oil bath with stirring (500 rpm) till complete consumption of 2'-iodochalcone. Upon cooling down to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Water (approx.10 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and extracted with dichloromethane (3×5 mL). Brine wash (1×5 mL) was given to the combined organic extractions and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The dr was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the crude reaction

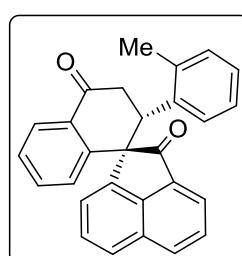
mixture and was subsequently purified by silica gel column separation using hexanes and ethylacetate mixture (8:2, v/v) as mobile phase afforded the corresponding spirooxindoles **3**.

### 3. General procedure for the synthesis of spiroacenaphthylenes **7**

Under open atmosphere, *E*-2'-iodochalcone **1** (167 mg, 0.5 mmol), acenaphthenequinone-derived tosylhydrazones **6** (263 mg, 0.75 mmol), [Pd(allyl)Cl]<sub>2</sub> (18.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), PPh<sub>3</sub> (39.5 mg, 0.15 mmol), TBAB (40 mg, 0.125 mmol) and DIPEA (262  $\mu$ L, 1.5 mmol) were successively added to oven-dried reaction tube. CH<sub>3</sub>CN (3 mL) was added and closed with a glass-stopper. The reaction tube was then immersed in a 50 °C pre-heated oil bath with stirring (500 rpm) till complete consumption of 2'-iodochalcone. Upon cooling down to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Water (approx.10 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and extracted with dichloromethane (3×5 mL). Brine wash (1×5 mL) was given to the combined organic extractions and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The dr was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture and was subsequently purified by silica gel column separation using hexanes and ethylacetate mixture (8:2, v/v) as mobile phase afforded the corresponding spiroacenaphthylenes **7**.

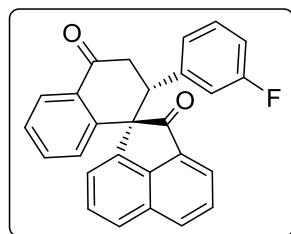


**2'-Phenyl-2',3'-dihydro-2H,4'H-spiro[acenaphthylene-1,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (7a):** 135 mg, 72% yield; 80:20 dr (*anti:syn*) (80:20 dr from the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of purified compound); Major: white solid; mp 186-188 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.46 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz)  $\delta$  3.10 (dd, J = 18.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (dd, J = 18.0, 13.0 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, J = 13.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.63-6.69 (m, 2H), 6.73 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78-6.90 (m, 3H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.79-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.24-8.29 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz)  $\delta$  41.1, 47.7, 63.1, 122.2, 122.4, 125.0, 127.4, 127.6, 127.8, 128.0, 128.1, 128.2, 128.3, 128.4, 130.9, 131.9, 132.5, 133.4, 134.6, 138.1, 139.9, 142.1, 144.4, 197.2, 205.8; FTIR (KBr) 3060, 2952, 1719, 1686, 1451, 1598, 1294, 764, 702 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (m/z): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 375.1385; found: 375.1380.



**2'-(o-tolyl)-2',3'-dihydro-2H,4'H-spiro[acenaphthylene-1,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (7b):** 115 mg, 59% yield; 85:15 dr (*anti:syn*) (93:07 dr from the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of purified compound); Major: white solid; mp 143-145 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.49 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  2.16 (s, 3H), 2.81 (dd, J = 17.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, J = 17.6, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (dd, J = 14.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.64-6.76 (m, 3H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$  20.0, 41.6, 41.9, 62.5, 122.5, 122.8,

125.0, 125.4, 126.4, 127.1, 127.8, 127.9, 128.1, 128.4, 128.5, 130.6, 130.9, 132.0, 132.7 (2C), 134.5, 136.6, 137.8, 140.1, 142.3, 144.1, 197.5, 204.6; FTIR (KBr) 3018, 2923, 1713, 1682, 1598, 1462, 1341, 1294, 785, 726 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na: 411.1361; found: 411.1359.

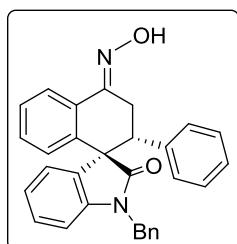


**2'-(3-Fluorophenyl)-2',3'-dihydro-2H,4'H-spiro[acenaph-thylene-1,1'-naphthalene]-2,4'-dione (7c):** 122 mg, 62% yield; 87:13 dr (*anti:syn*); Major: white solid; mp 208-210 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.41 (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.09 (dd, J = 17.6, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, J = 17.6, 13.6 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, J = 13.6, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 6.28-6.36 (m, 1H), 6.50 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76-6.86 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.89 (m, 2H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 40.9, 47.3, 62.9, 114.4 (d, J = 21 Hz), 115.2 (d, J = 22 Hz), 122.3, 122.4, 124.3 (d, J = 3 Hz), 125.2, 127.8, 128.0, 128.2, 128.5(2C), 129.3 (d, J = 8 Hz), 130.9, 132.2, 132.4, 133.2, 134.7, 139.5, 140.7 (d, J = 7 Hz), 142.1, 144.2, 162.0 (d, J = 245 Hz), 196.7, 205.5; FTIR (KBr) 3029, 2968, 1718, 1688, 1591, 1488, 1342, 1294, 782 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>2</sub>FNa: 415.1110; found: 415.1108.

#### 4.0 Synthetic transformations of product 3b

##### 4.1 Procedure for synthesis of 8:

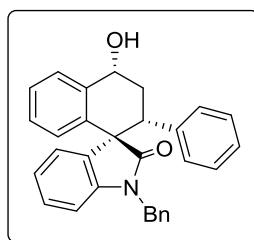
The compound **3b** (43 mg, 0.1 mmol) was taken in oven dried 10 mL RB flask and dissolved in 1 mL of EtOH. NH<sub>2</sub>OH.HCl (0.5 mmol) and sodium acetate (0.4 mmol) were added successively and stirred at rt till complete consumption of **3b** as monitored by TLC. After 2 h, solvent was removed under vacuum and the resulting crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography using hexanes and ethylacetate mixture (7:3, v/v) afforded pure oxime **8**.



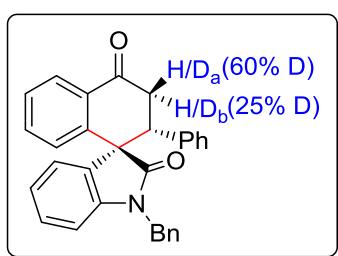
**1-benzyl-4'-(hydroxyimino)-2'-phenyl-3',4'-dihydro-2'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalen]-2-one (8):** 43 mg, 96% yield; white solid; mp 159-161 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.61 (30% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.32 (dd, J = 18.8, 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (dd, J = 18.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (dd, J = 14.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.84-6.92 (m, 3H), 6.98 (td, J = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05-7.19 (m, 7H), 7.21-7.35 (m, 3H), 8.05-8.12 (m, 1H), 8.55 (br s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 27.1, 43.9, 45.9, 58.8, 109.9, 122.8, 124.8, 125.1, 126.7, 127.1, 127.3, 127.8, 128.0, 128.3, 128.6, 128.8 (2C), 130.0, 130.5, 130.7, 135.2, 138.6, 139.3, 142.4, 154.7, 178.2; FTIR (KBr) 3483, 3014, 2883, 1605, 1702, 1455, 1352, 959, 756 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (m/z): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 445.1916; found: 445.1910.

#### 4.2 Procedure for synthesis of 9:

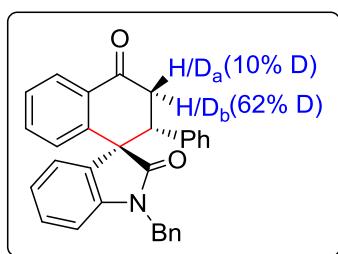
The compound **3b** (43 mg, 0.1 mmol) was taken in oven dried 10 mL RB flask and dissolved in 1 mL of MeOH. The solution was brought to 0 °C by means of ice-bath, then NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.15 mmol) was added in two portions and stirred at same temperature for 10 mins led to the completion of reaction (TLC). Water was added slowly to quench the reaction and extracted with dichloromethane (3×5 mL). Brine wash (1×5 mL) was given to the combined organic extractions and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The dr was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture, and was subsequently purified by silica gel column separation using hexanes and ethylacetate mixture (7:3, v/v) as mobile phase afforded the corresponding alcohol **9**.



**1-Benzyl-4'-hydroxy-2'-phenyl-3',4'-dihydro-2'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalen]-2-one (9):** 42 mg, 97% yield; ≥95:05 dr; white solid; mp 165-167 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.36 (30% ethyl acetate in hexanes); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 2.38-2.50 (m, 2H), 2.65-2.78 (m, 1H), 3.81 (dd, J = 13.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, J = 10.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (dd, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.73-6.80 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (td, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.00-7.07 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.21 (m, 5H), 7.24-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 35.6, 44.0, 46.5, 59.4, 69.2, 109.5, 122.6, 125.7, 127.0, 127.2, 127.4, 127.8, 127.9, 128.0 (2C), 128.2, 128.4, 128.6, 128.8, 133.5, 135.4, 136.5, 139.3, 1397, 142.3, 179.6; FTIR (KBr) 3404, 3057, 2945, 1696, 1609, 1488, 1364, 1267, 734, 700 cm<sup>-1</sup>; [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: 432.1964; found: 432.1948. Relative configuration was determined by NOE and 2D NMR.

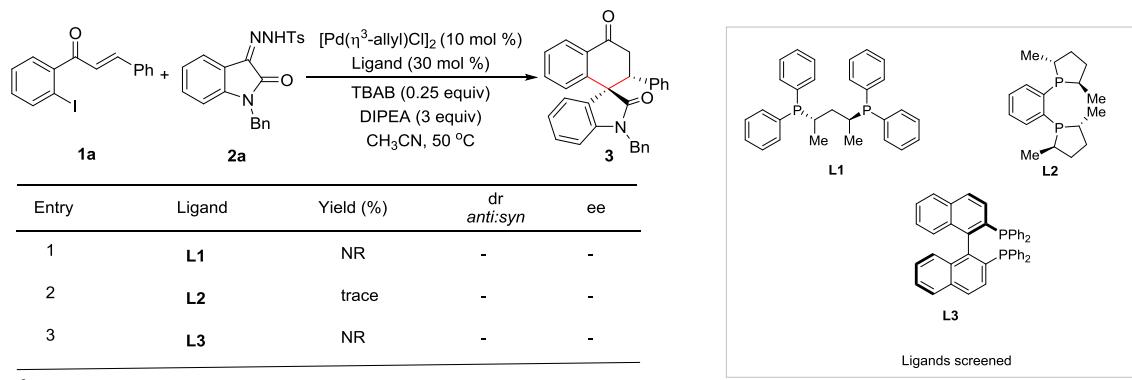


Compound **10**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 3.01 (dd, J = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, **0.4H**), 3.48-3.60 (m, **0.75H**), 4.18-4.28 (m, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.43-6.50 (m, 1H), 6.60-6.67 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.89-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.99 (td, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.26 (m, 8H), 7.44 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.19-8.25 (m, 1H).

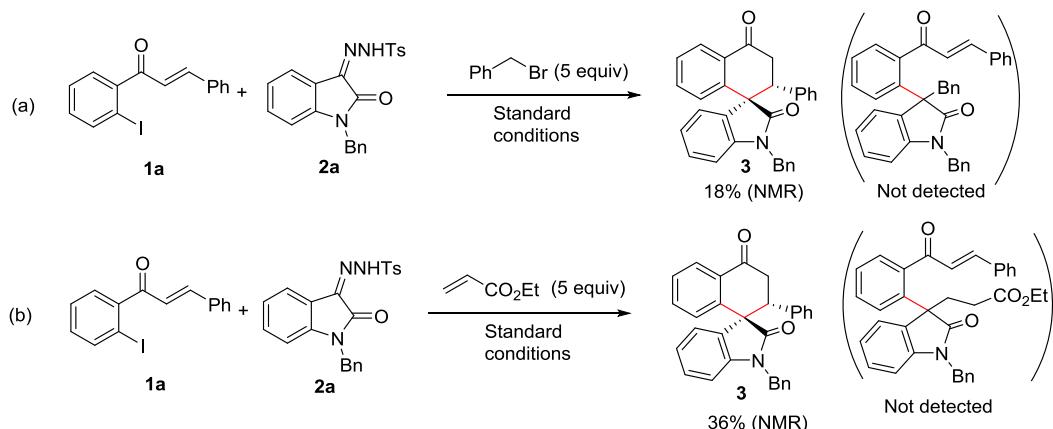


Compound **11**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) δ 3.01 (dd, J = 18.0, 4.5 Hz, **0.9H**), 3.54 (dd, J = 18.0, 14.5 Hz, **0.38H**), 4.18-4.28 (m, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.45-6.50 (m, 1H), 6.62-6.68 (m, 2H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.90-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.98 (td, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.26 (m, 8H), 7.44 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H).

## 5.0 Preliminary asymmetric results<sup>a</sup>



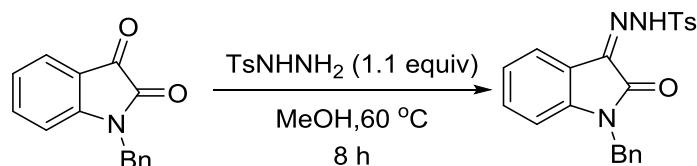
## 6.0 Control experiments



## 7.0 General procedure for the preparation of 2'-iodochalcone

2'-Iodochalcones **1** were prepared according to our previous reported procedure.<sup>1</sup>

### 7.1. General procedure for the synthesis of isatin-derived *N*-tosylhydrazone



Isatin-derived *N*-tosylhydrazone **2** were prepared according to slightly modified reported procedure.<sup>2</sup>

A solution of TsNHNH<sub>2</sub> (1.02 g, 5.5 mmol) in methanol (5 mL) was stirred at 60 °C until the TsNHNH<sub>2</sub> was completely dissolved. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and then *N*-benzyl isatin was added in small portions. After 5-10 minutes, a yellow precipitation was observed. Then the

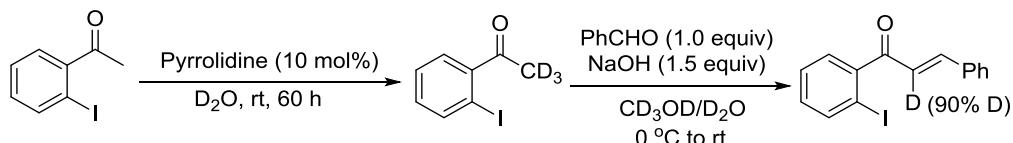
reaction was stirred at 60 °C for about 8 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and the precipitates was filtered out and washed with cold methanol to afford the pure *N*-tosylhydrazones.

***N'*-(1-Benzyl-2-oxoindolin-3-ylidene)-4-methylbenzenesulfonohydrazide (2a):** Yellow solid; yield 89 %; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.41 (s, 3H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.36 (m, 8H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 12.5 (br s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 21.8, 43.4, 110.0, 119.6, 121.4, 123.5, 127.5, 128.0, 128.2, 129.1, 129.9, 131.3, 134.9, 135.2, 135.6, 142.6, 144.7, 161.2.

Compound **6a** was prepared according to the above mentioned procedure and data was in good agreement with the reported literature.<sup>3</sup>

## 8.0 Procedure for the synthesis of $\alpha$ -deuterated 2'-iodochalcone

A reported literature procedure was followed to synthesize **1a-(D<sub>1</sub>)**<sup>4</sup>



A solution of 2'-idoacetophenone (1.0 mmol), pyrrolidine (0.1 mmol) and D<sub>2</sub>O (99% D, 1.5 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 60 h under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum to get crude D<sub>3</sub>-2'-idoacetophenone which was taken to next step without further purifications.

D<sub>3</sub>-2'-Iodoacetophenone (230 mg, 0.93 mmol) was dissolved in CD<sub>3</sub>OD (1.5 mL) which was cooled to 0 °C. A solution of NaOH (55 mg, 1.39 mmol) in D<sub>2</sub>O (0.2 mL) was added followed by the slow addition of benzaldehyde (94 μL, 0.93 mmol). The reaction mixture was then allowed to warm to room temperature. After 30 min, solvents were removed under vacuum and the crude material was purified by short pad of silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 9:1 v/v) to yield the desired product D<sub>1</sub>-2'-iodochalcone (90% D-atom) as yellow semi-solid (78% yield).

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## **10. $^1\text{H}$ and $^{13}\text{C}$ spectra for all compounds**

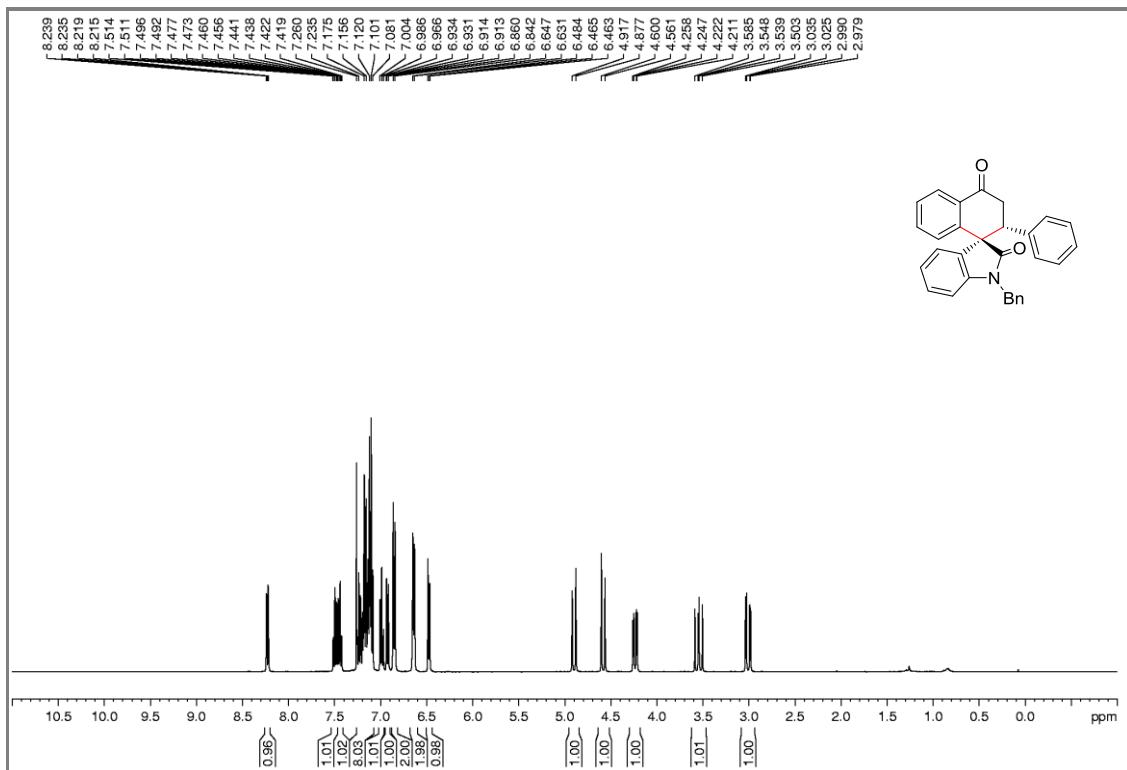


Figure 1: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3b** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

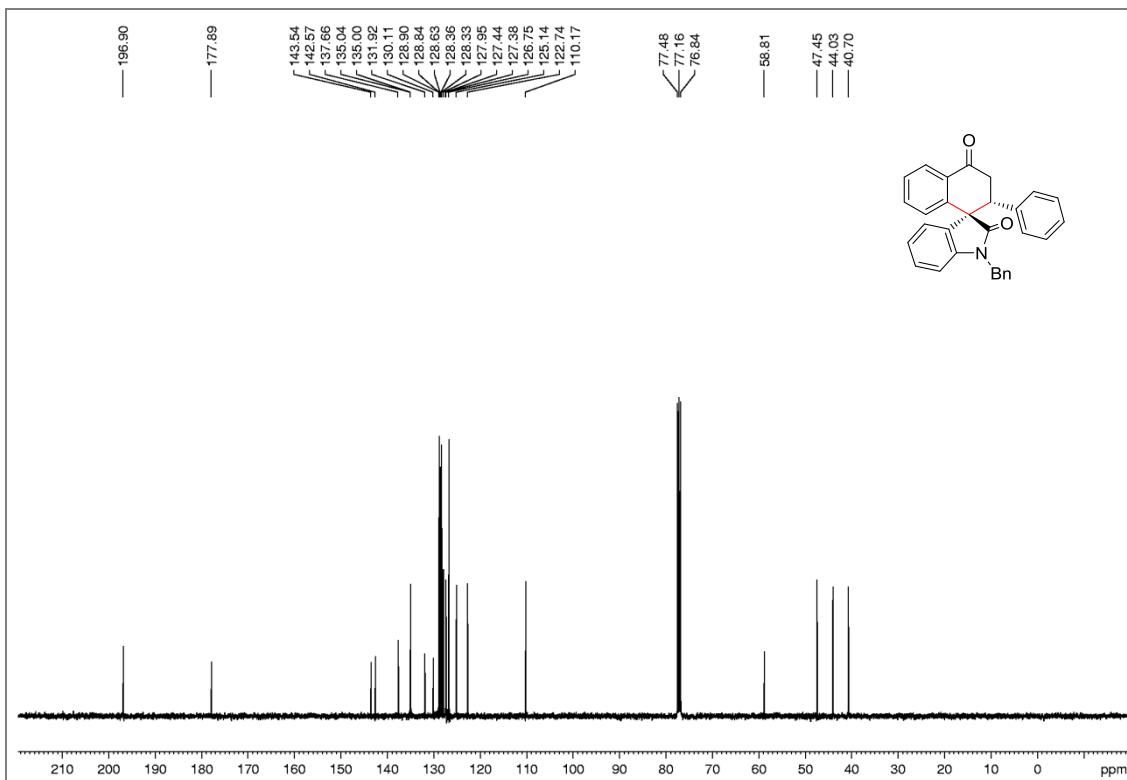


Figure 2: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3b** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

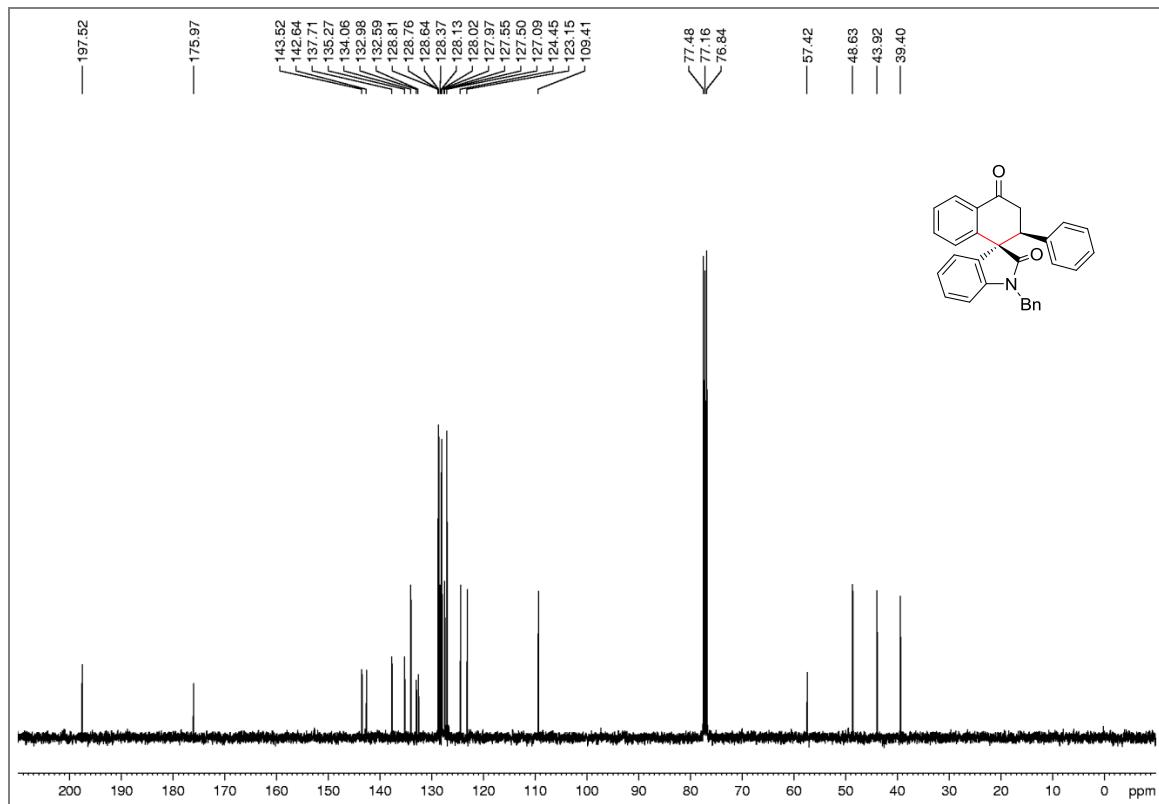
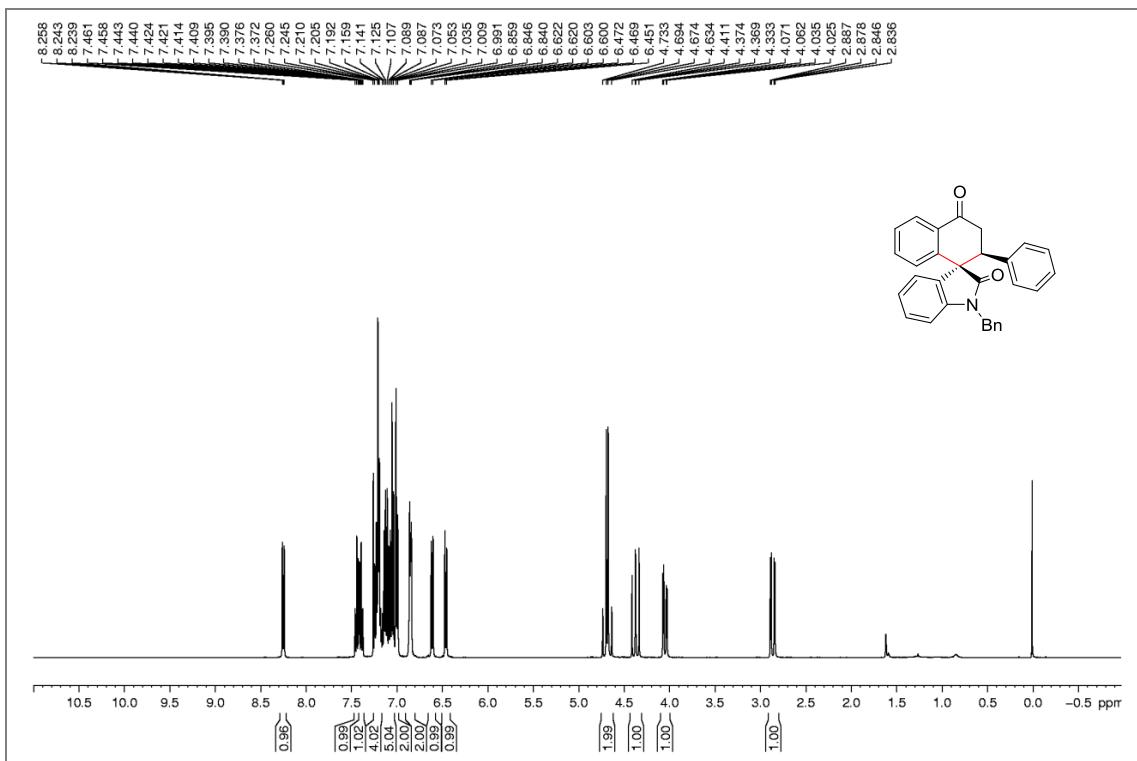


Figure 4: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of  $\mathbf{3b}'$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

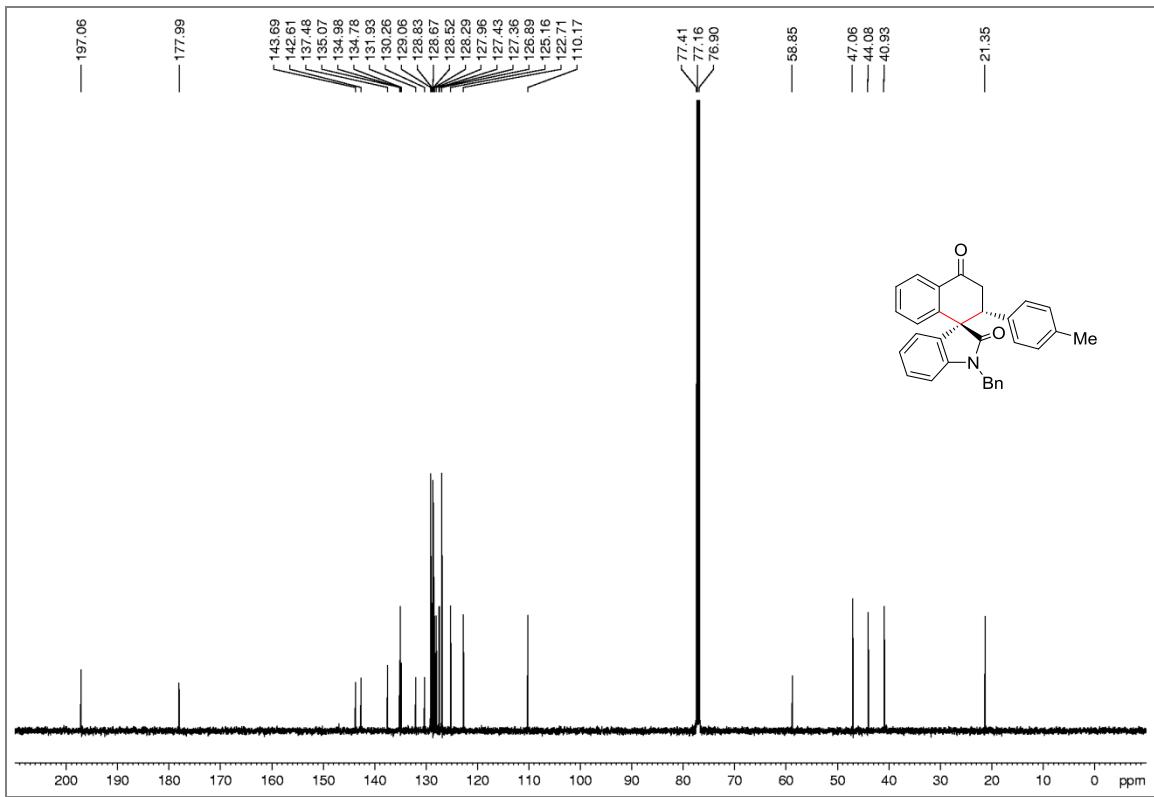
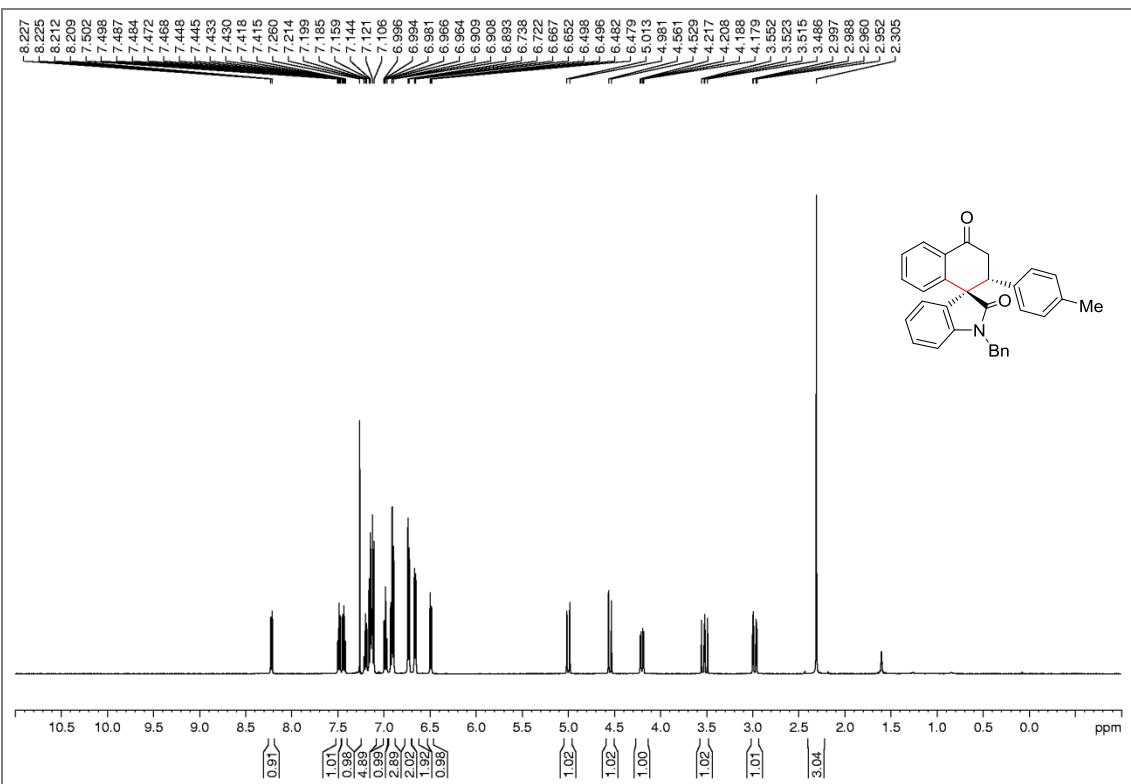


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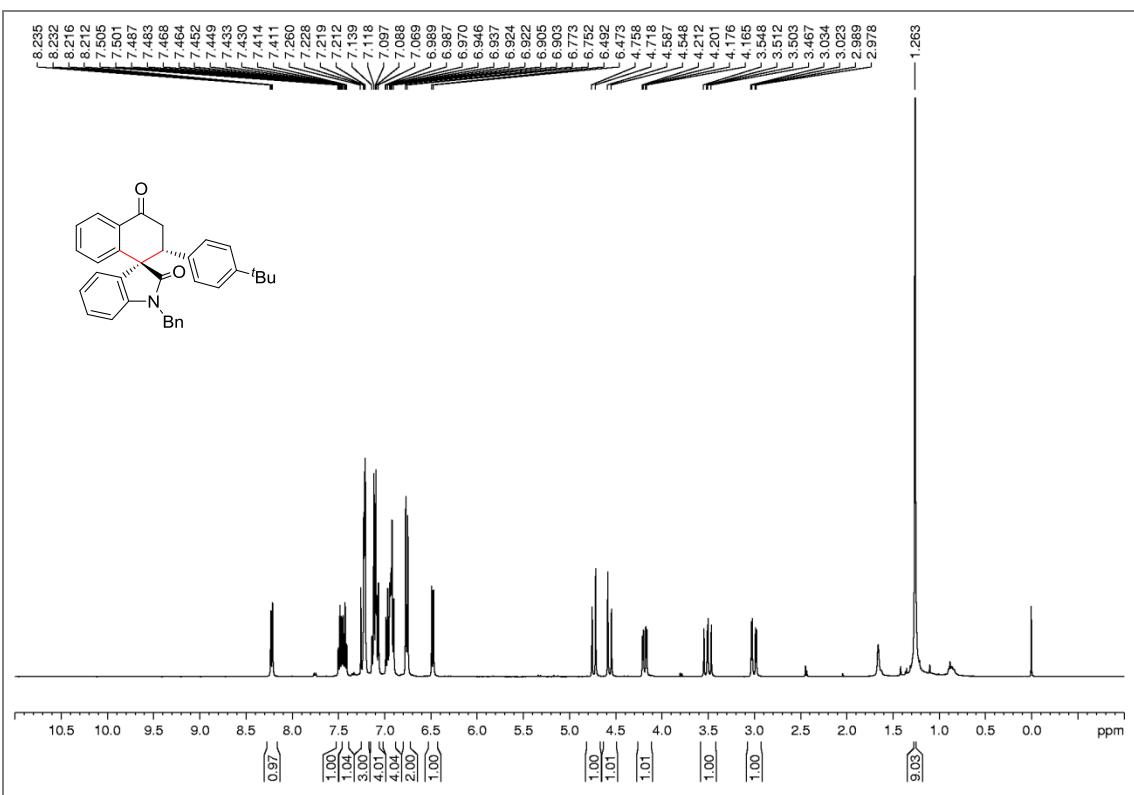


Figure 7: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3d** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

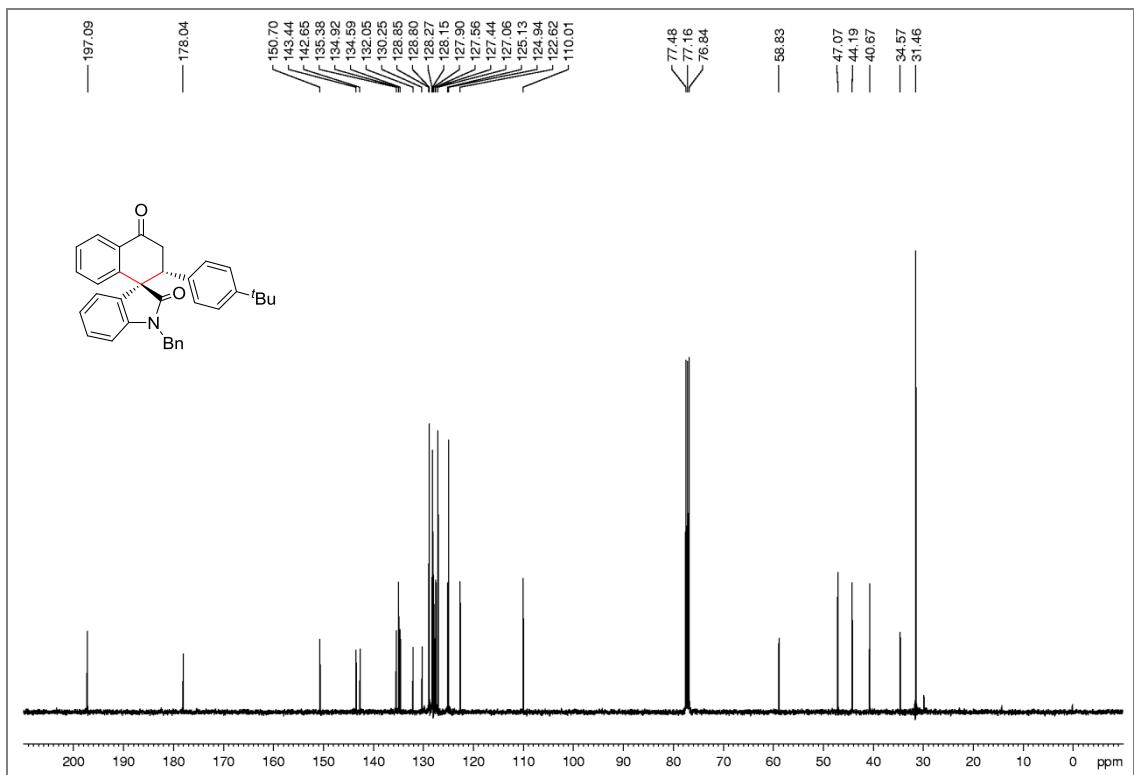
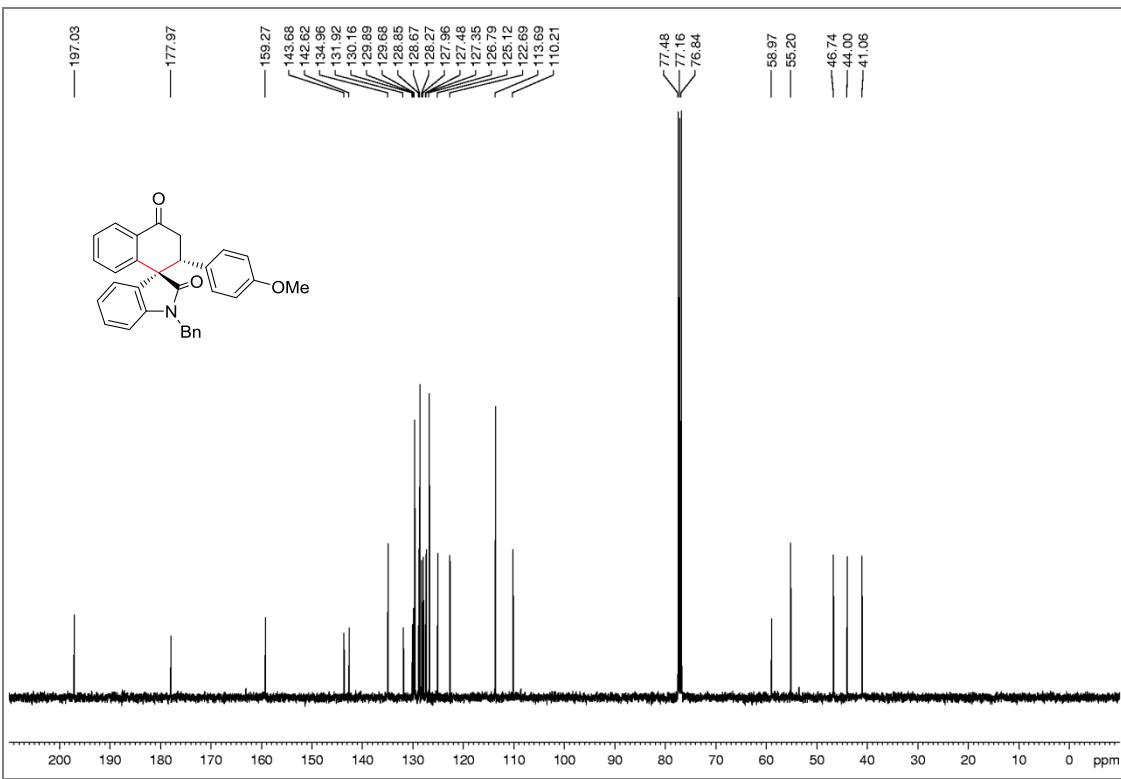
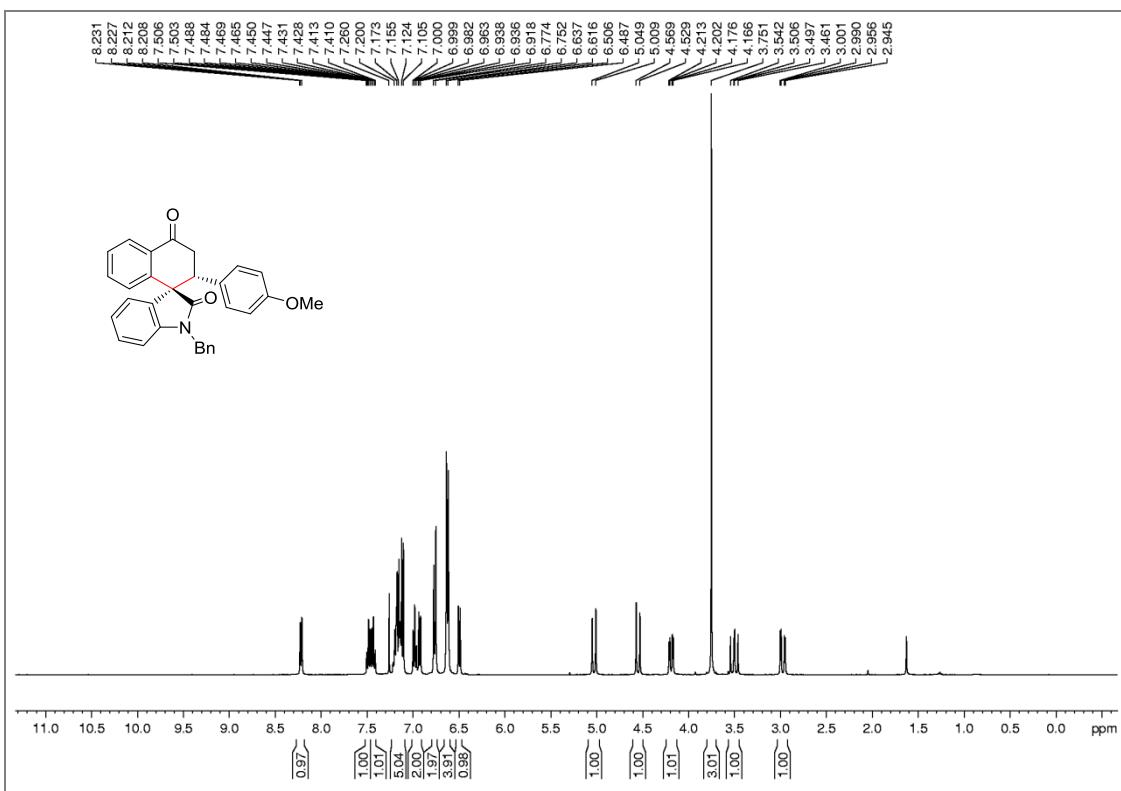


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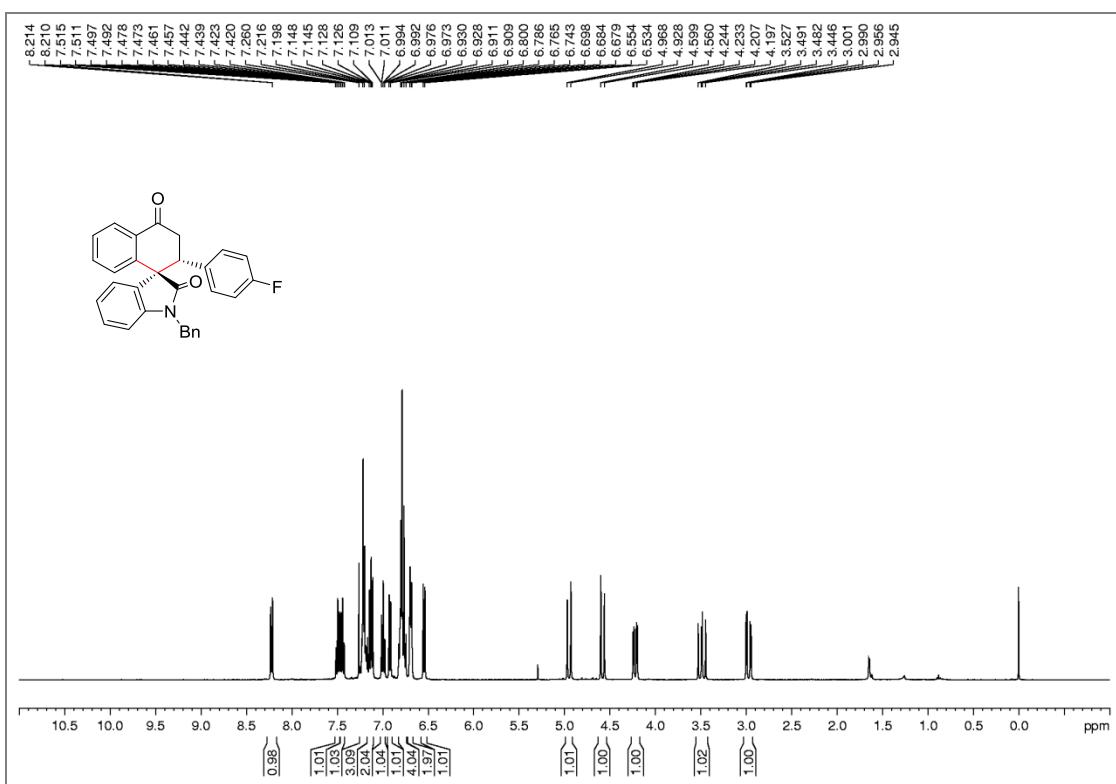


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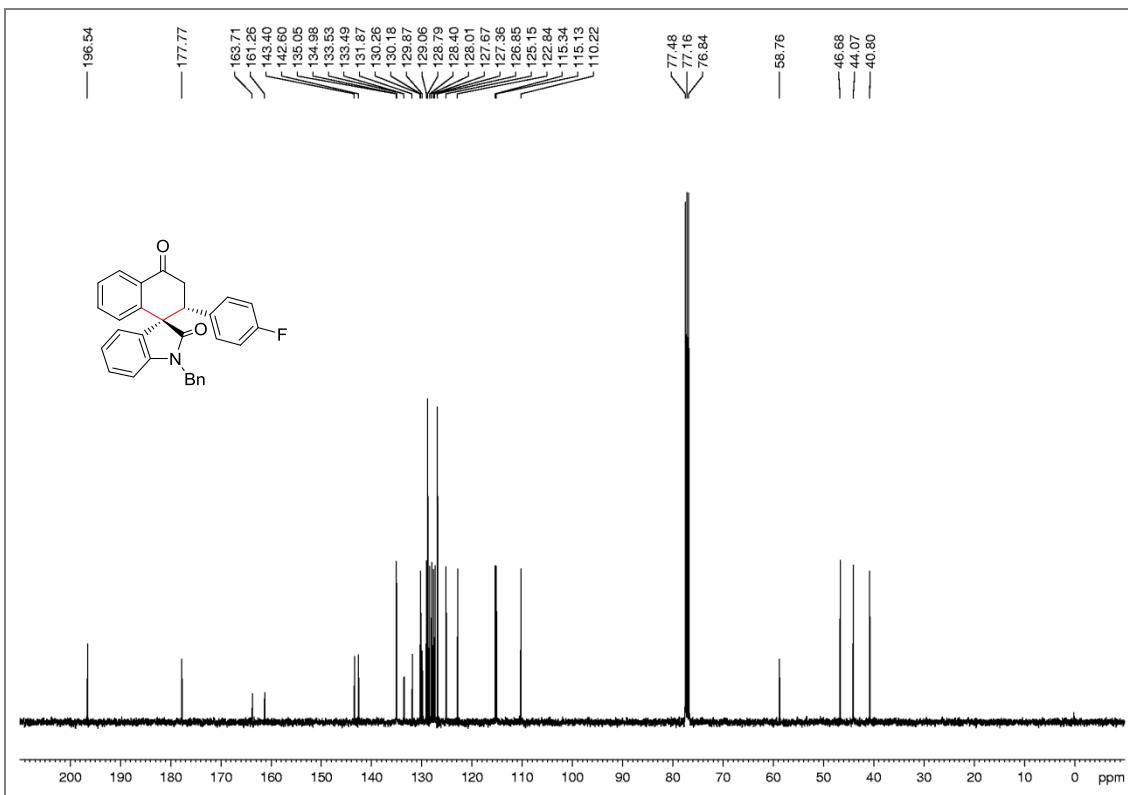


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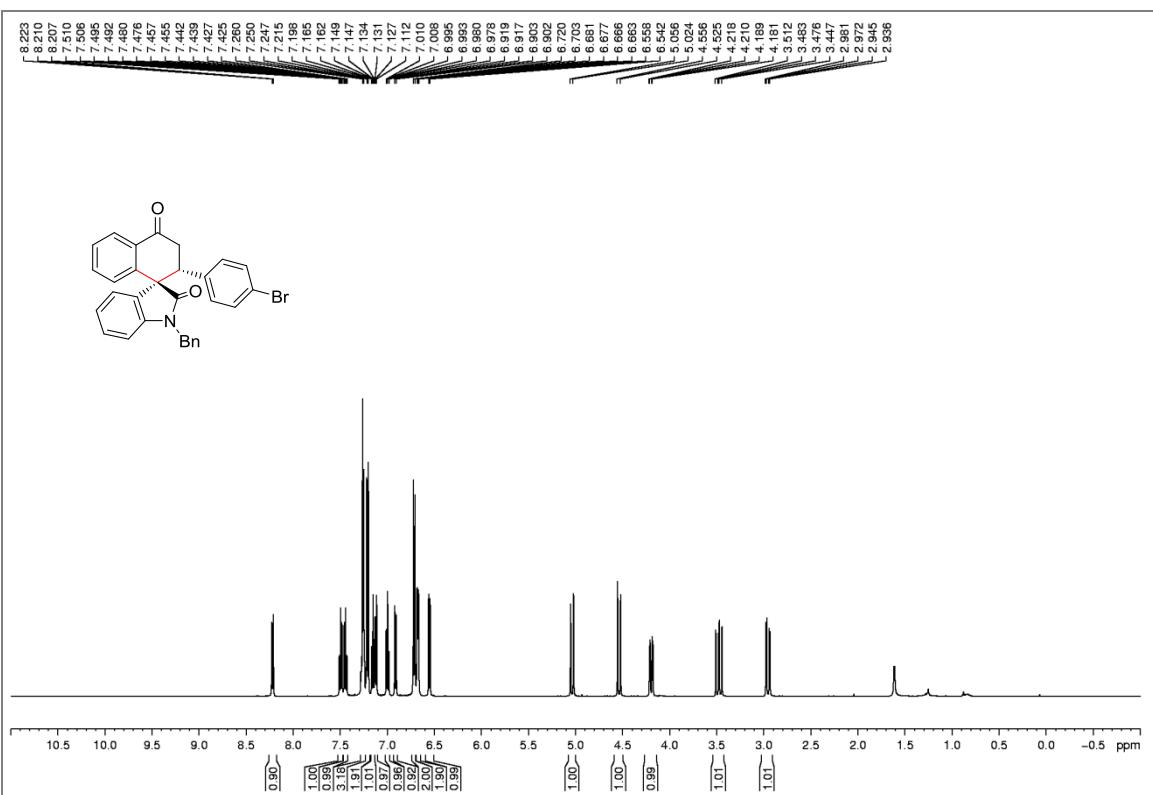


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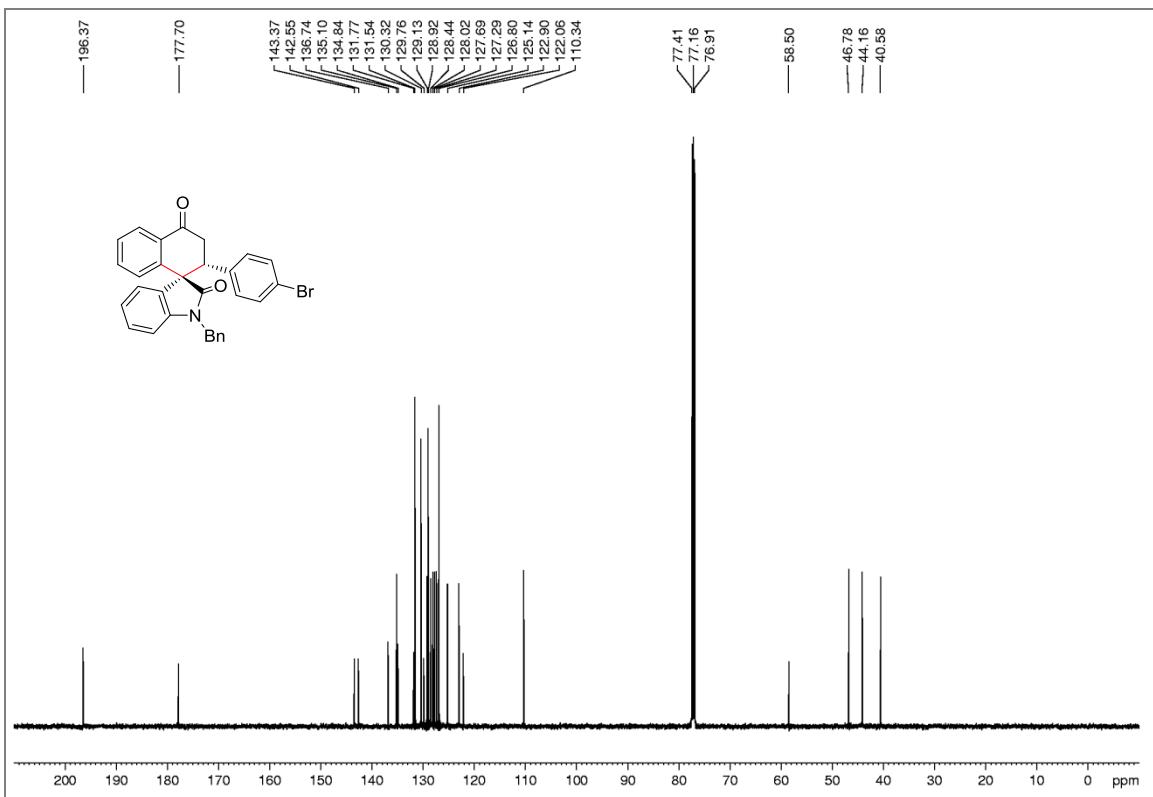


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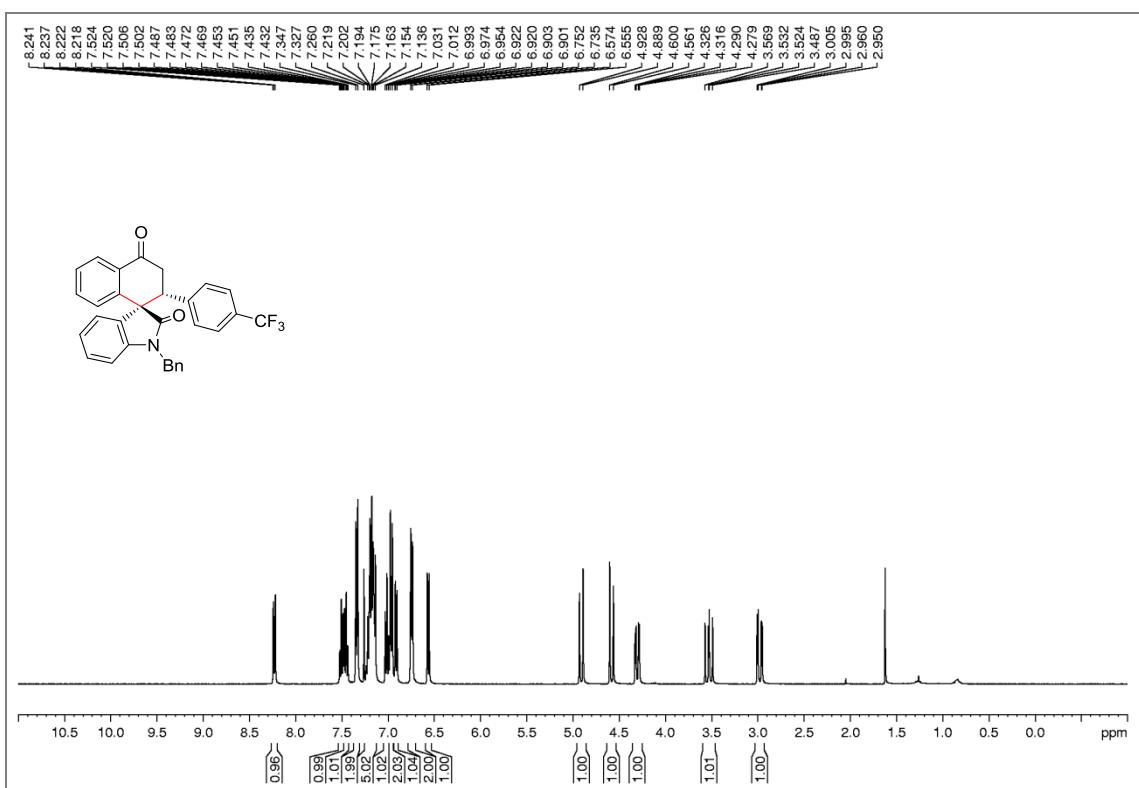


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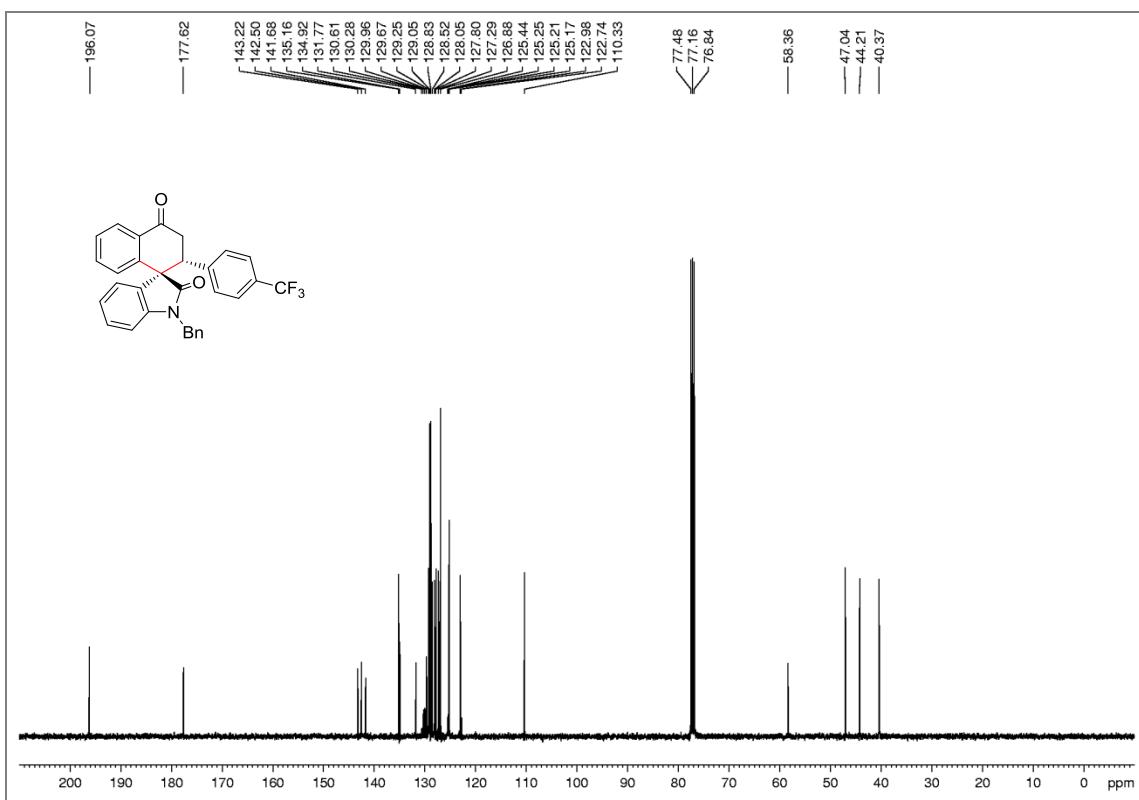


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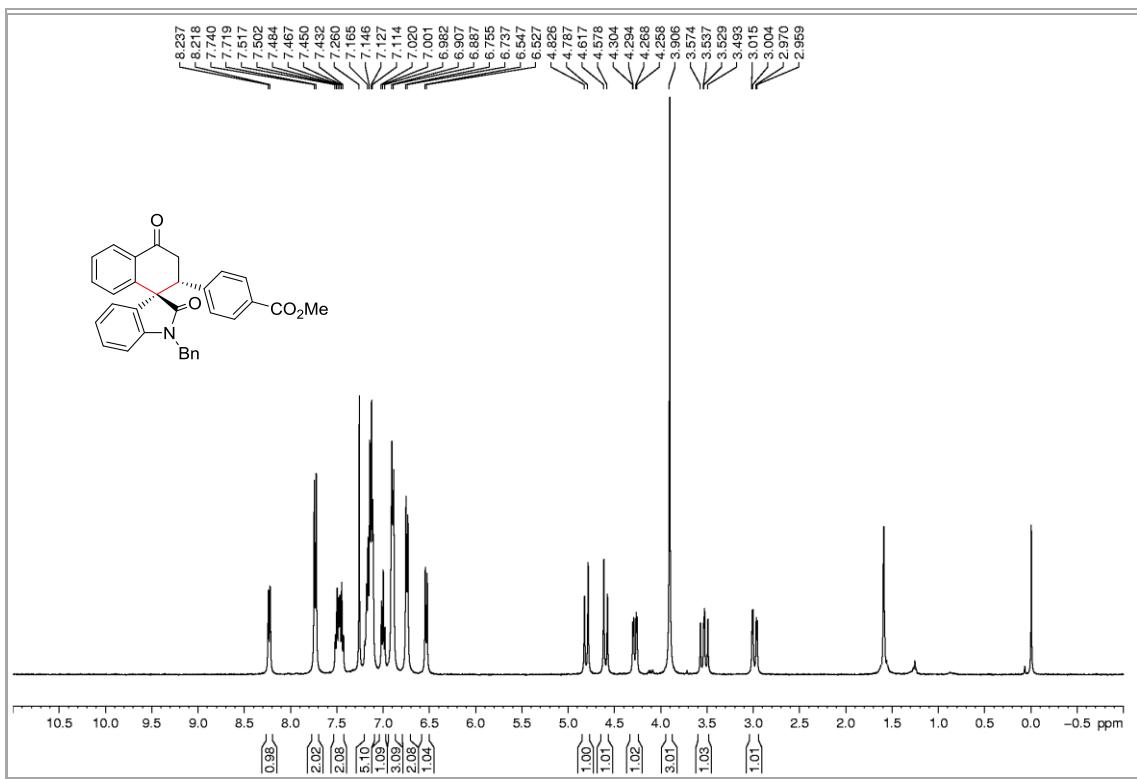


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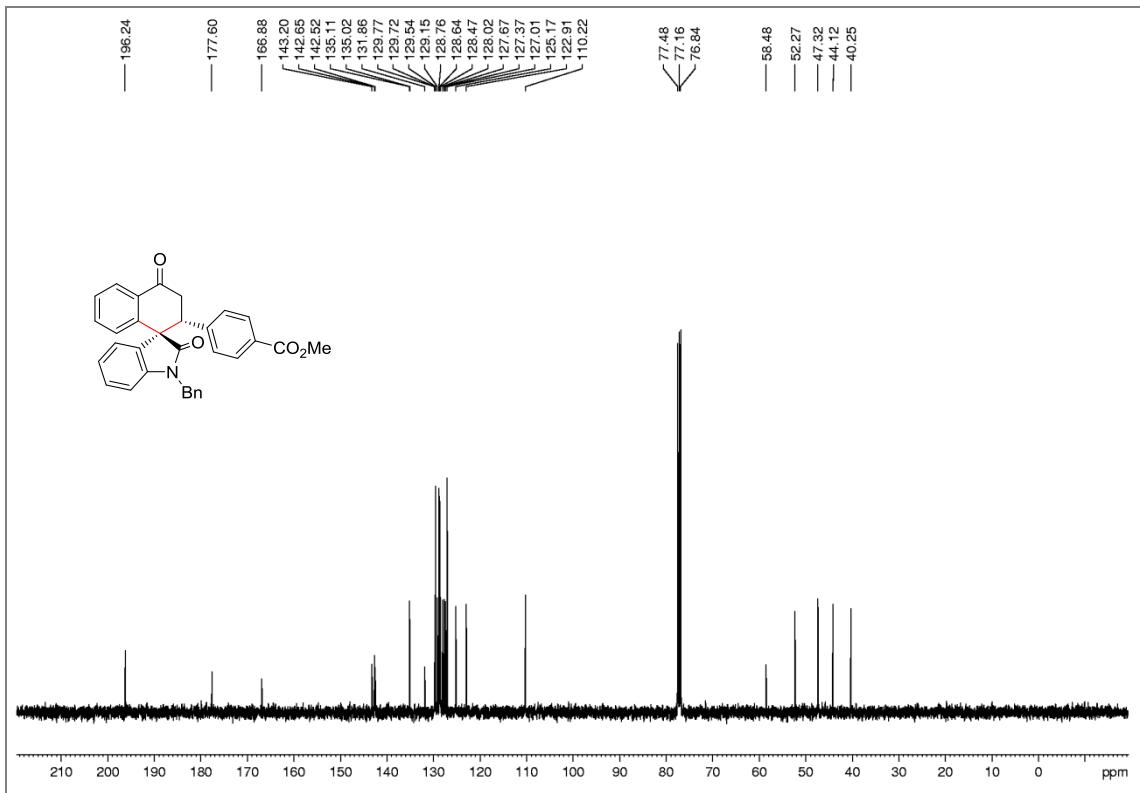


Figure 18: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3i** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

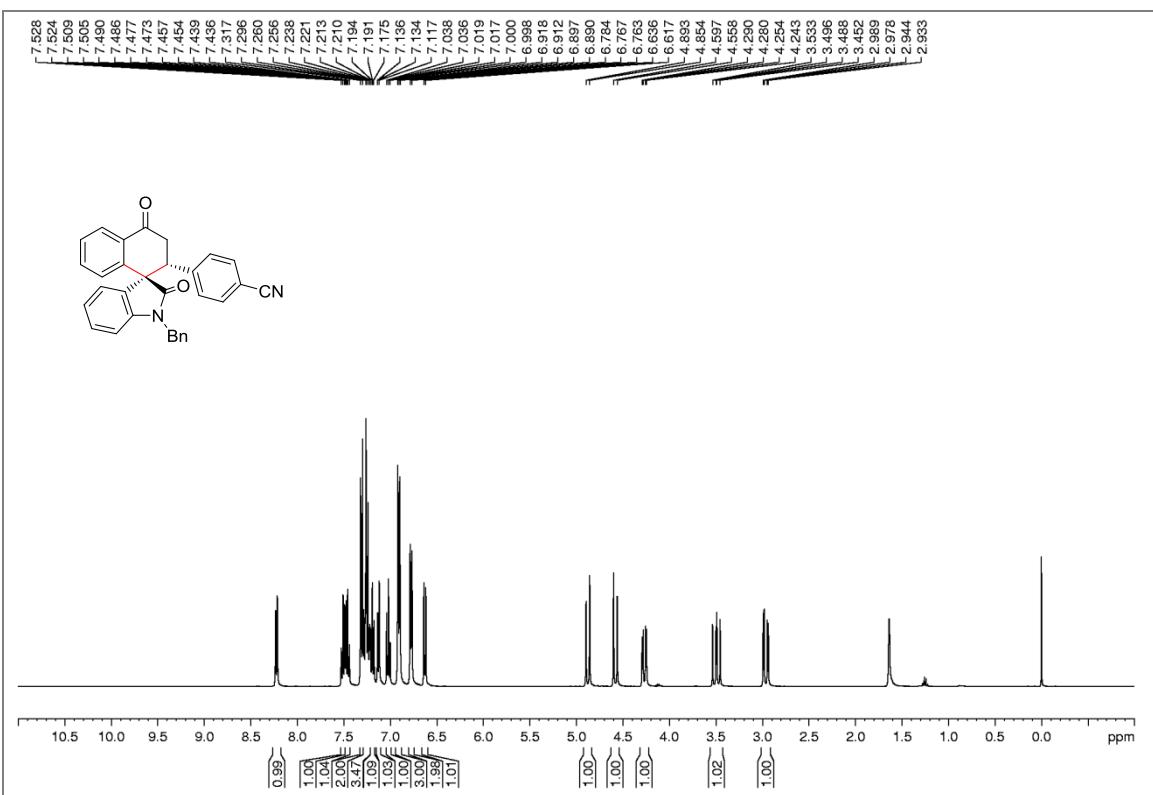


Figure 19: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3j** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

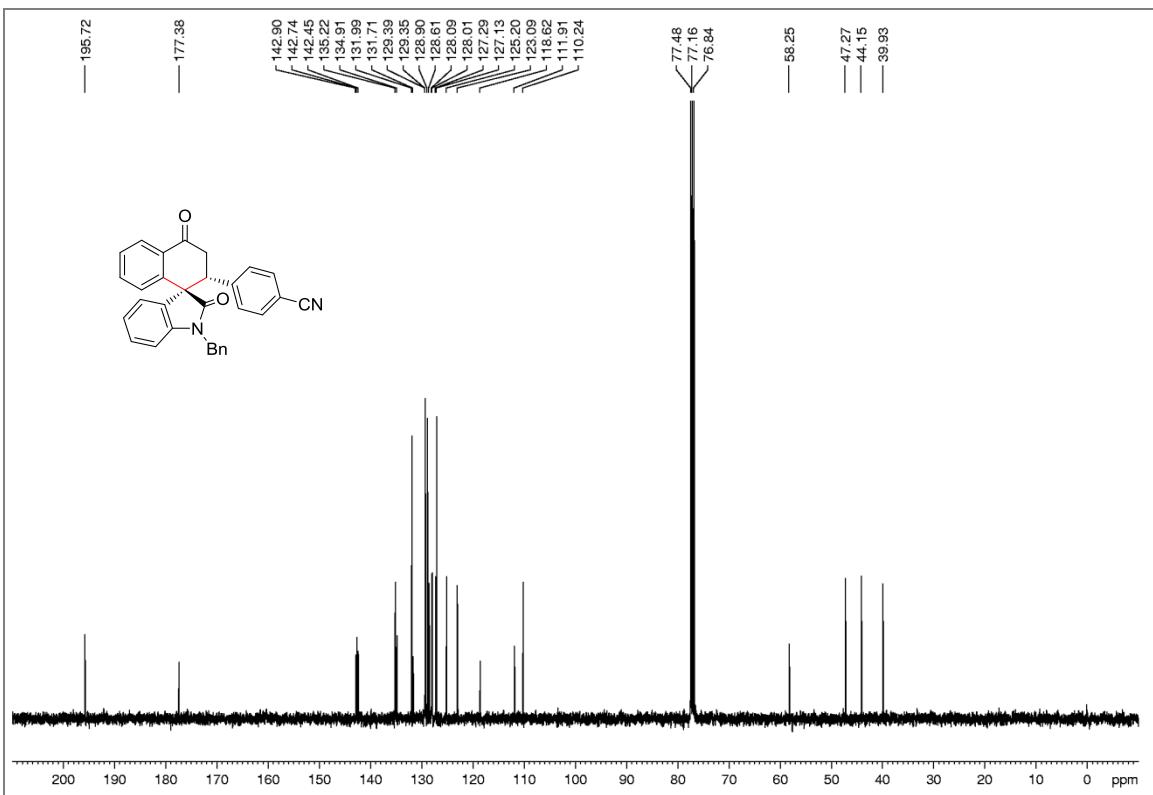


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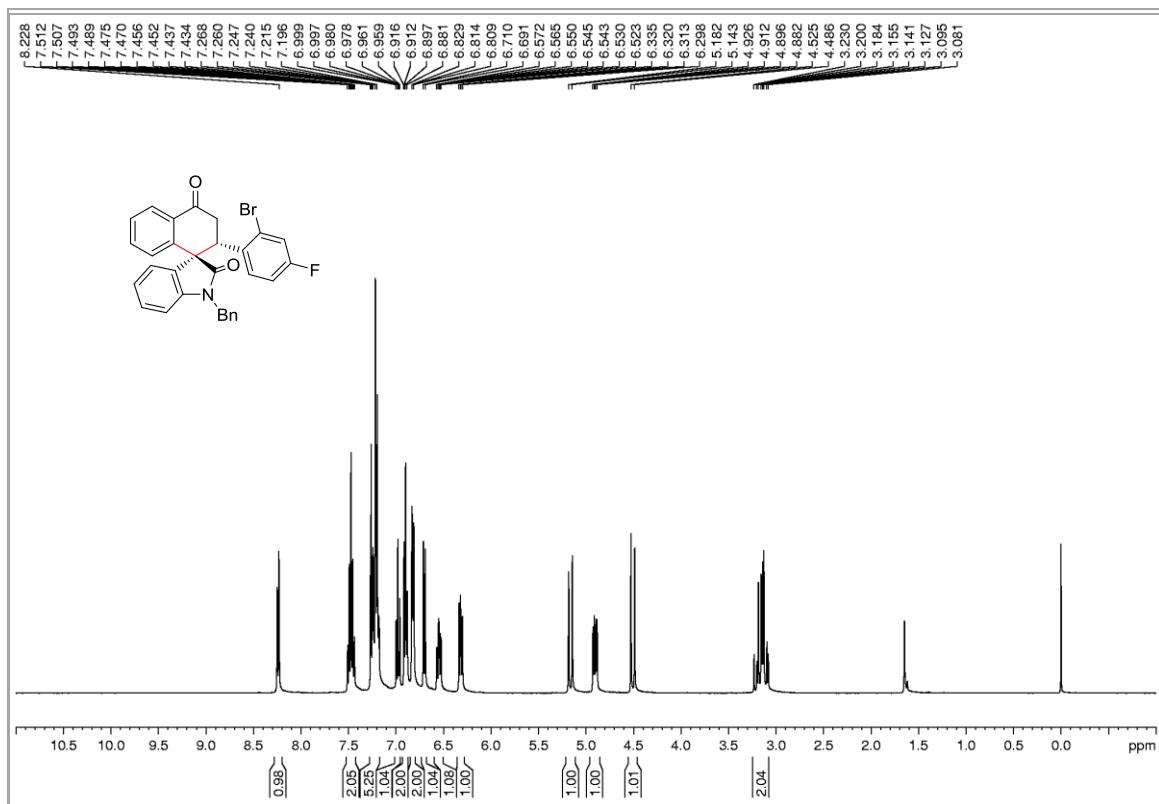


Figure 21: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3k** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

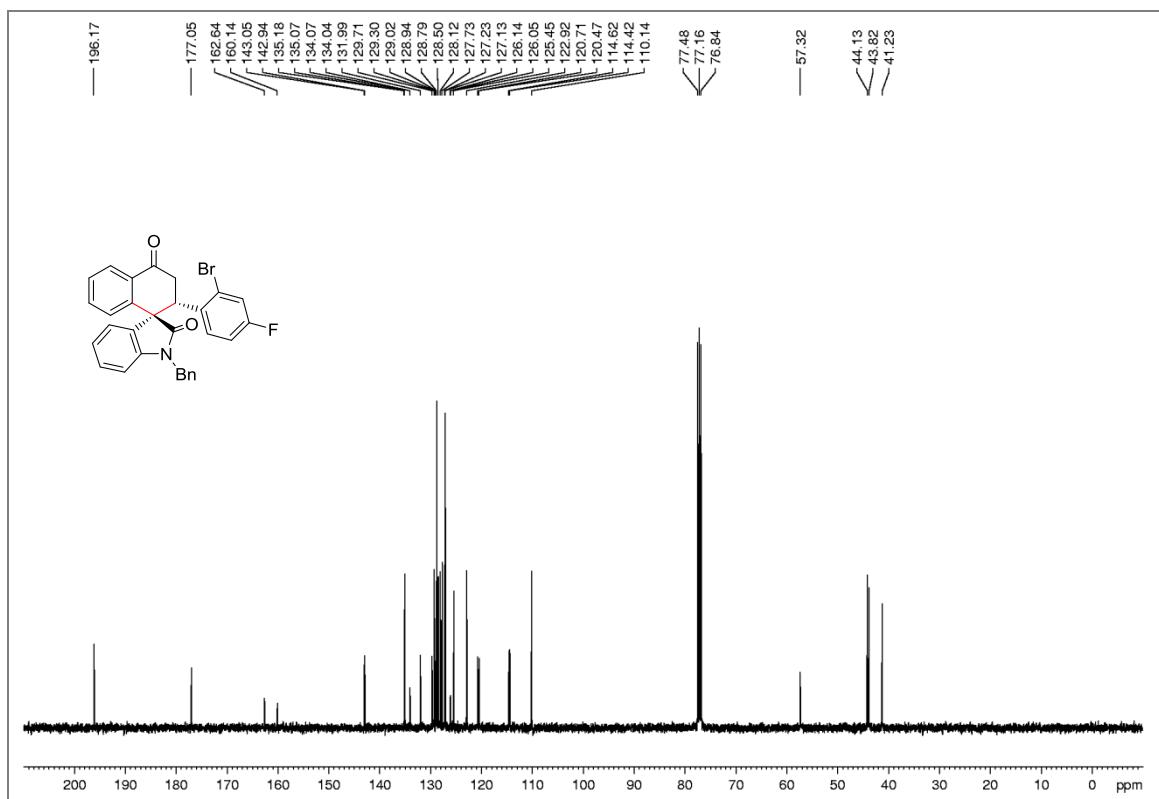


Figure 22: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3k** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

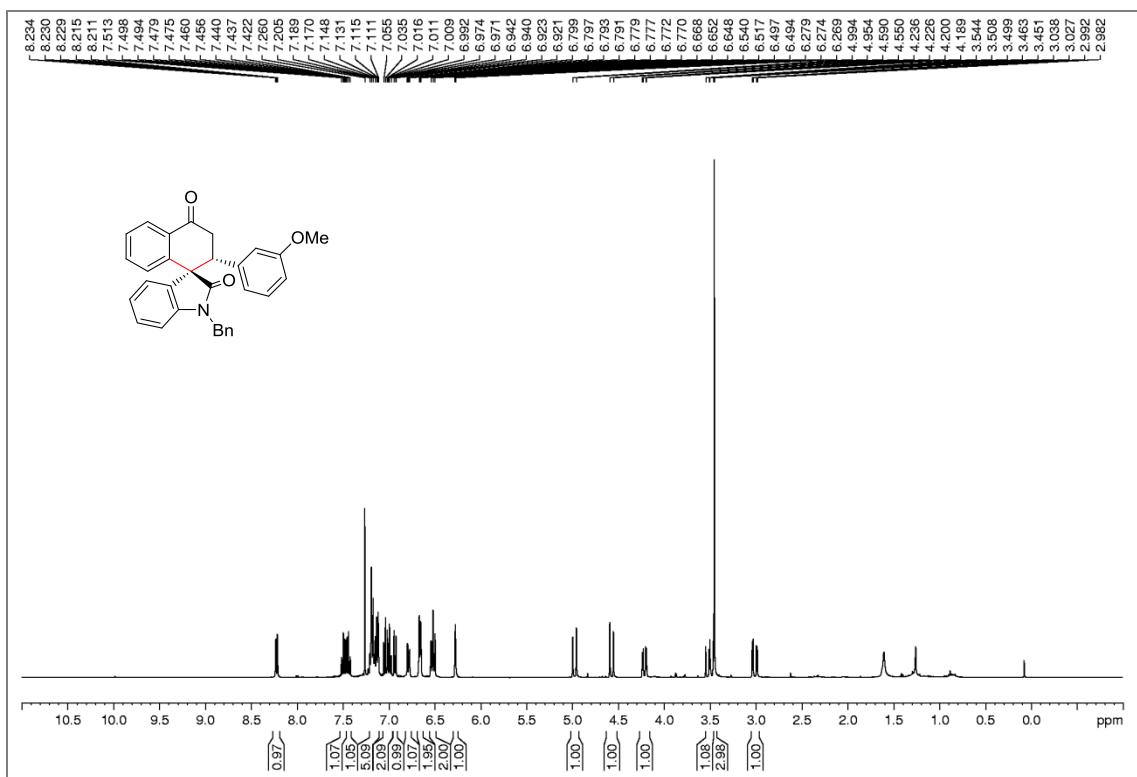


Figure 23: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3l** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

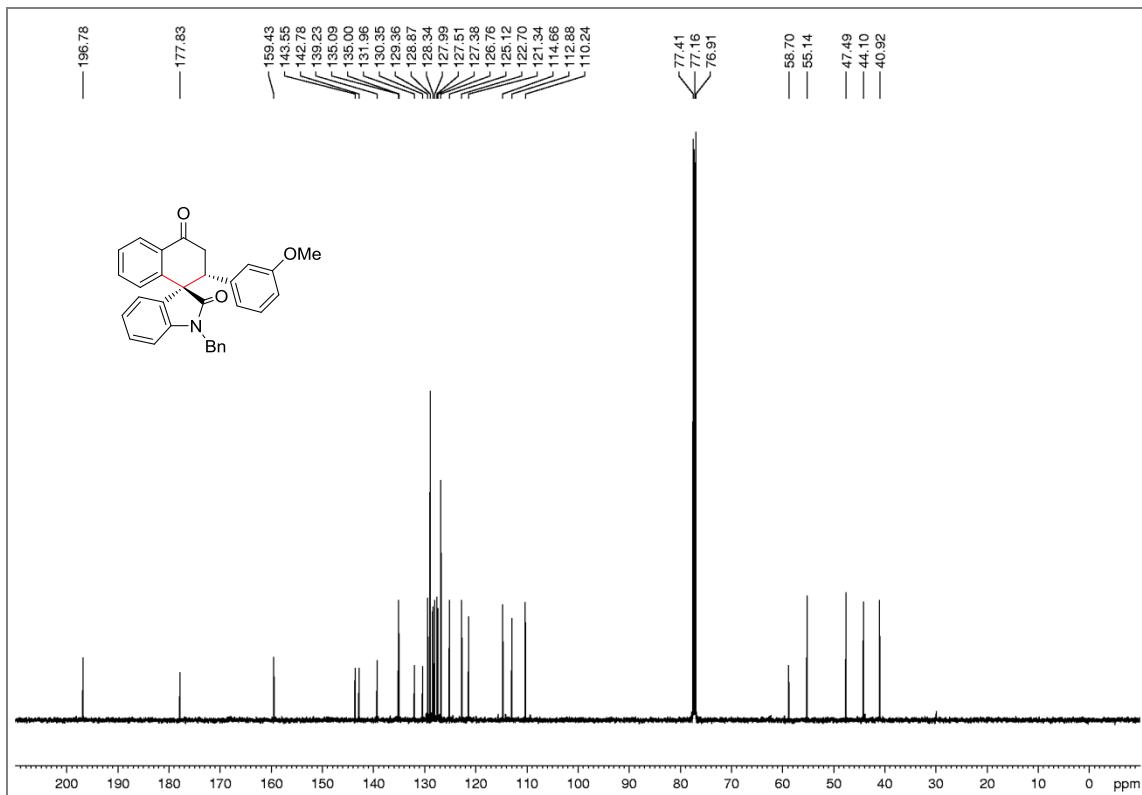


Figure 24: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3l** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

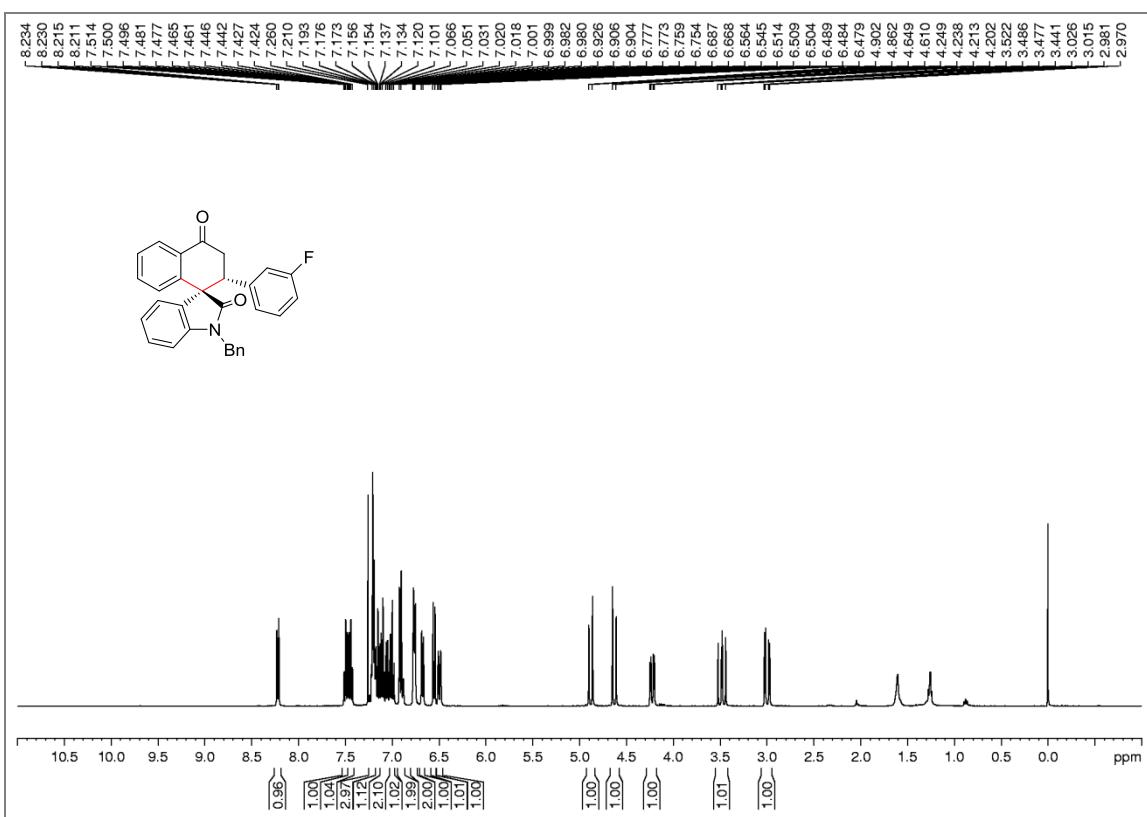


Figure 25: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3m** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

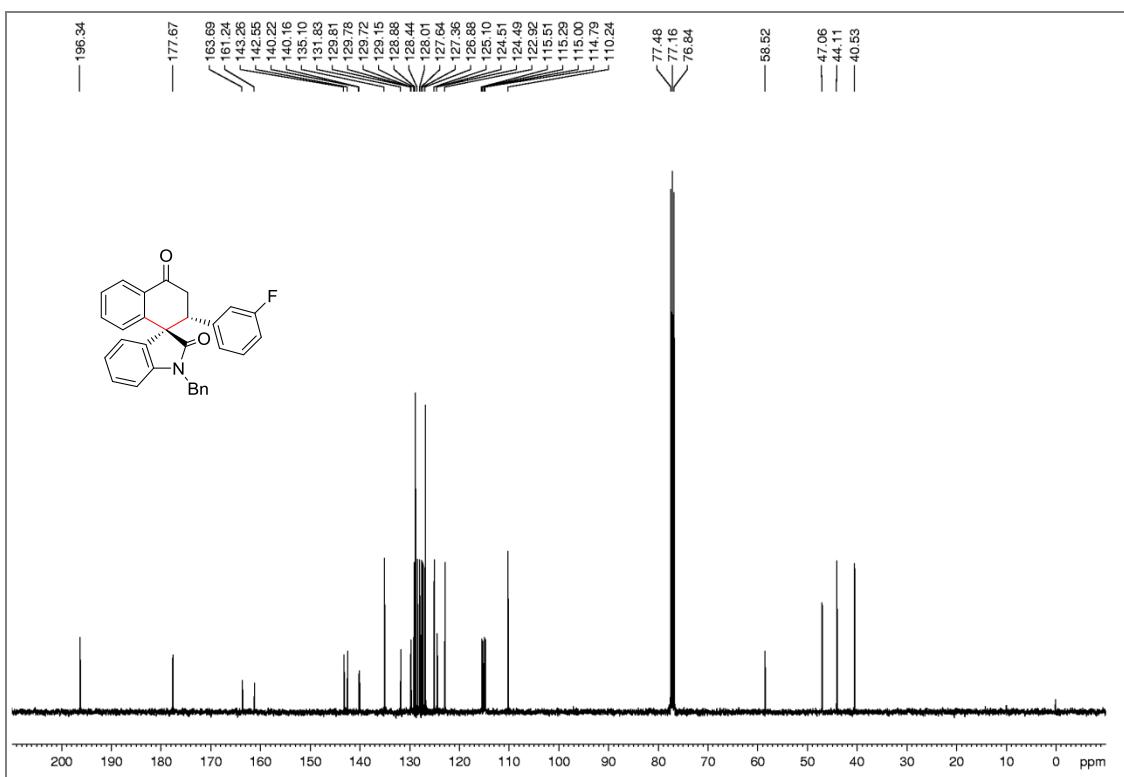


Figure 26: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3m** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

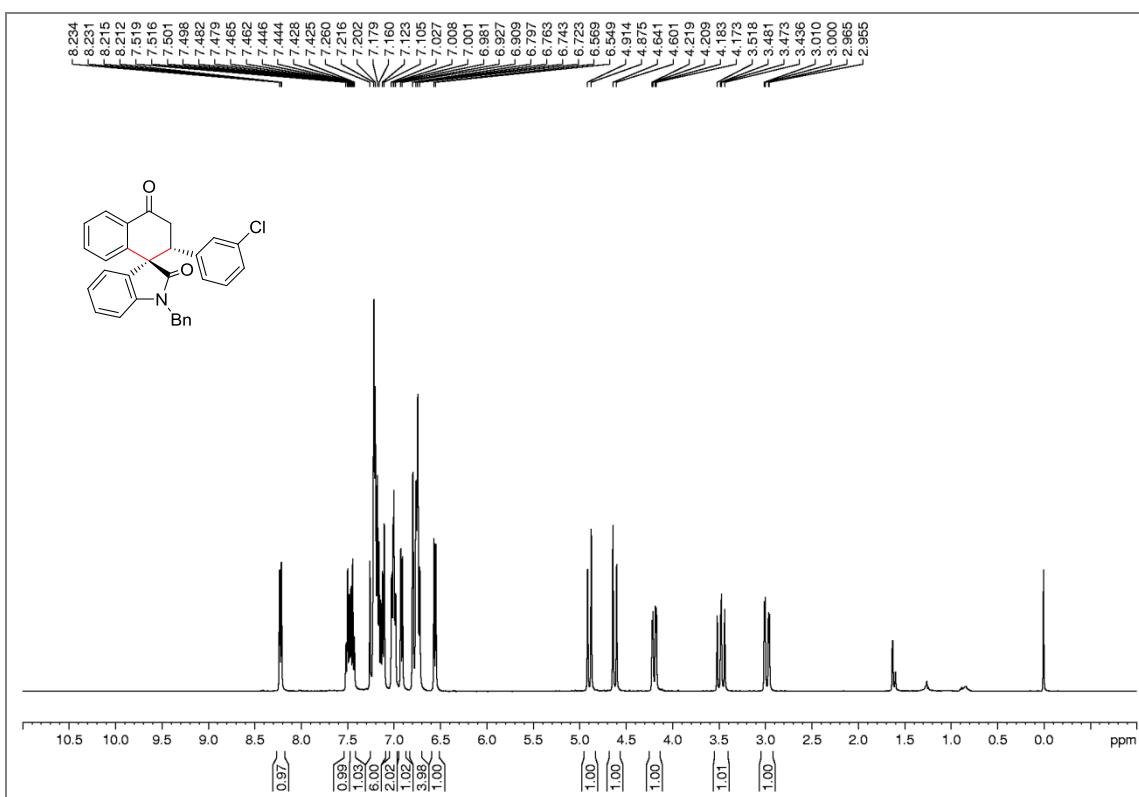


Figure 27: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3n** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

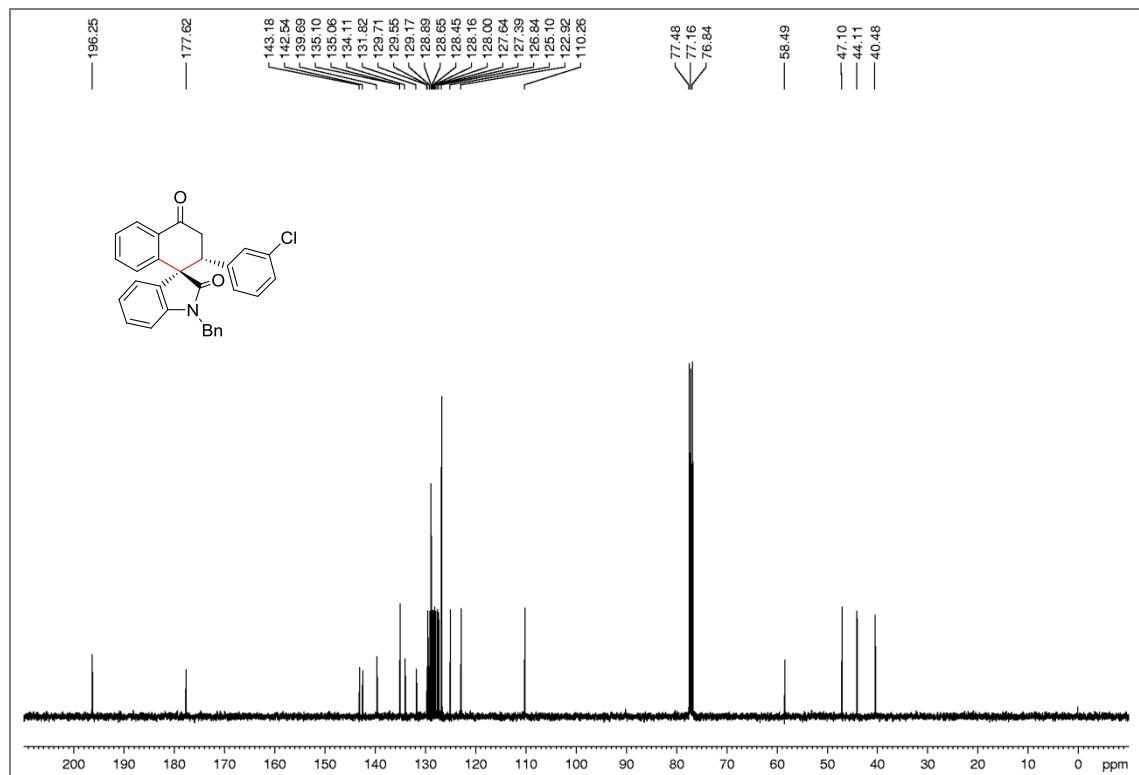


Figure 28: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3n** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

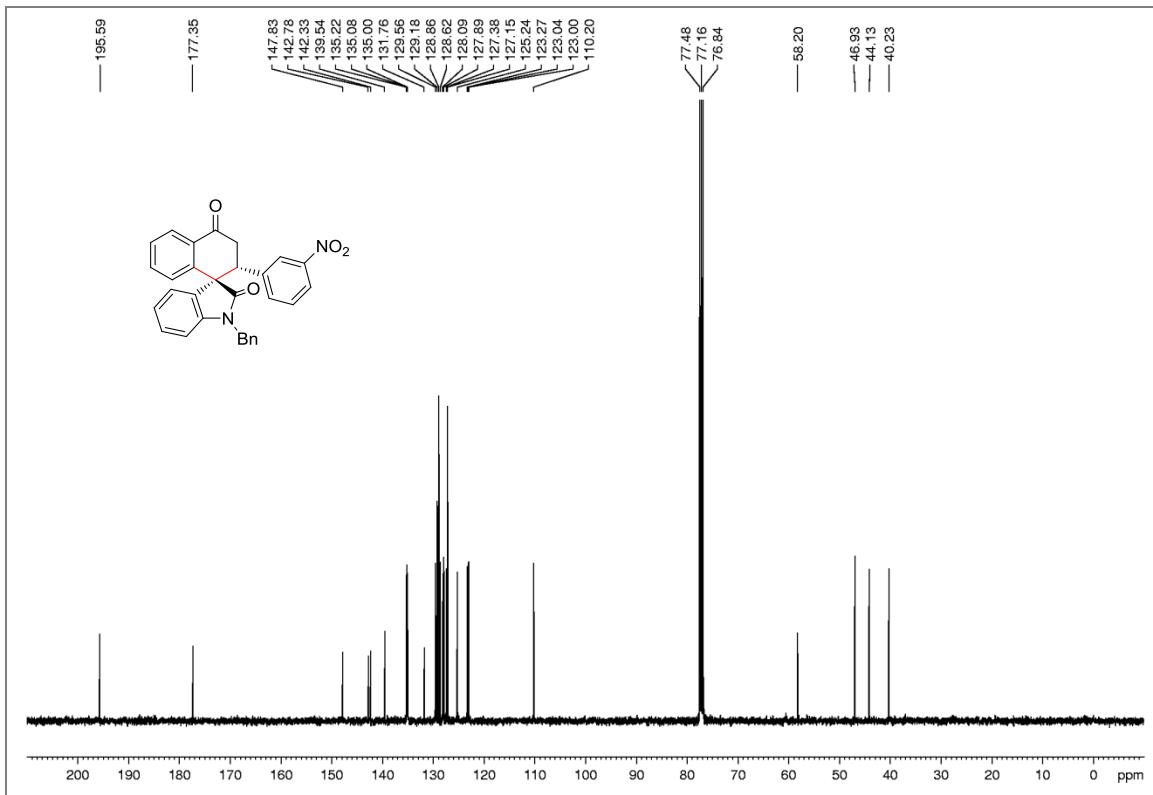
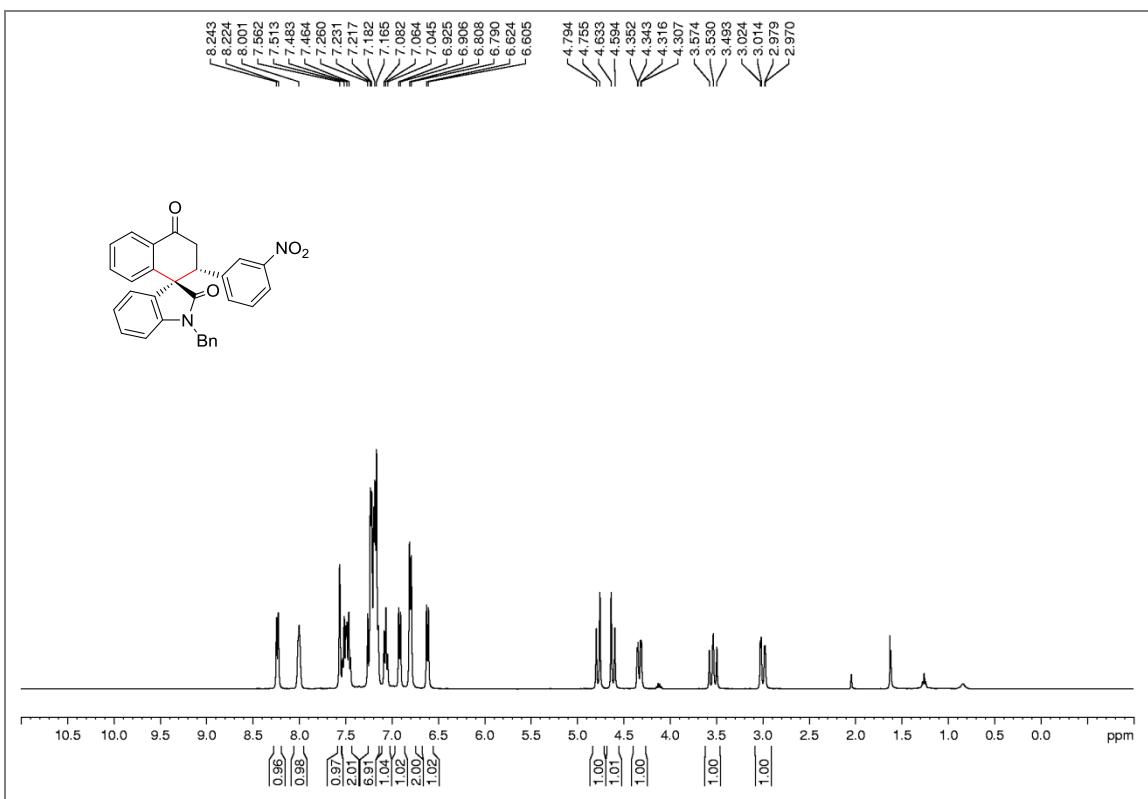


Figure 30: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3o** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

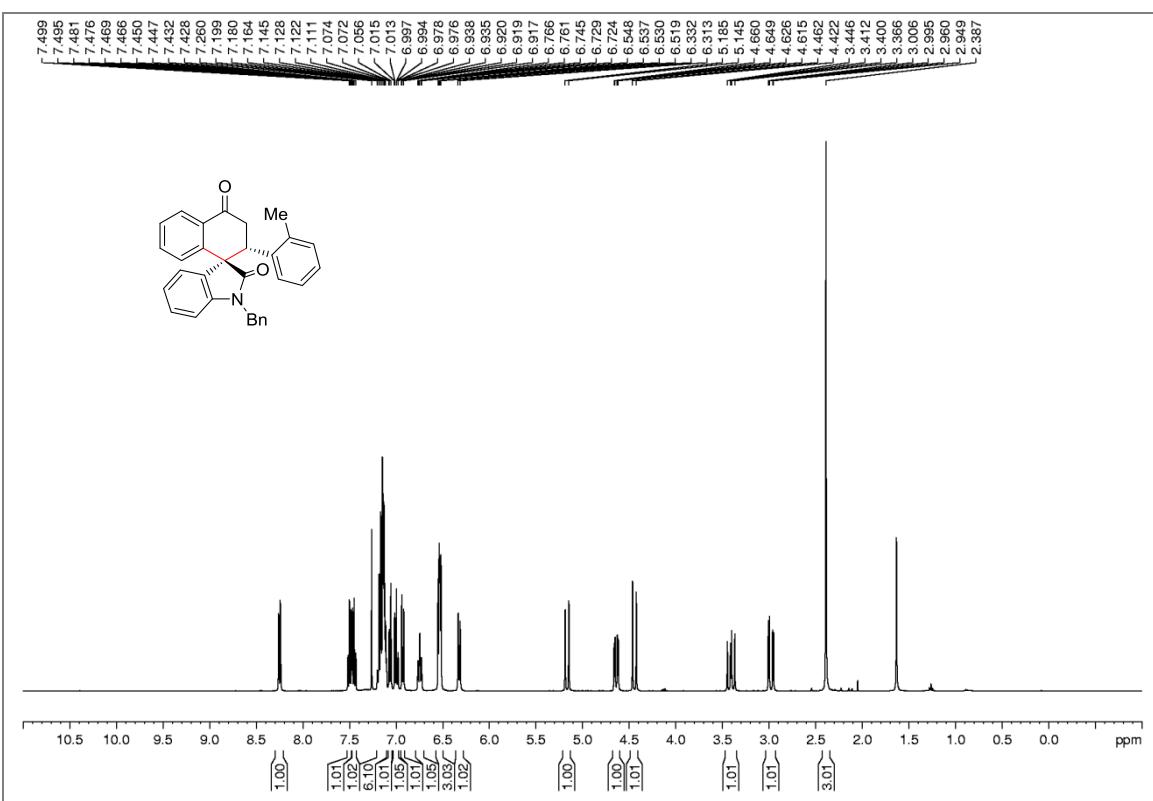


Figure 31: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3p** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

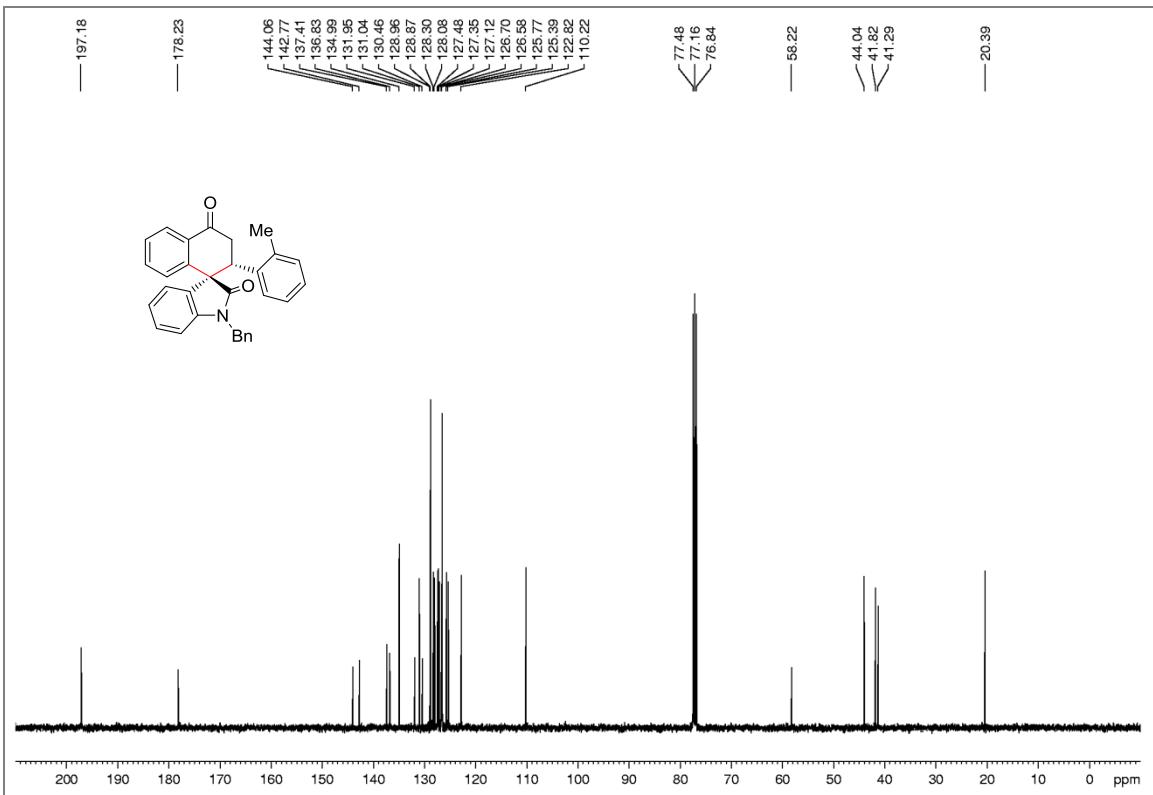


Figure 32: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3p** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

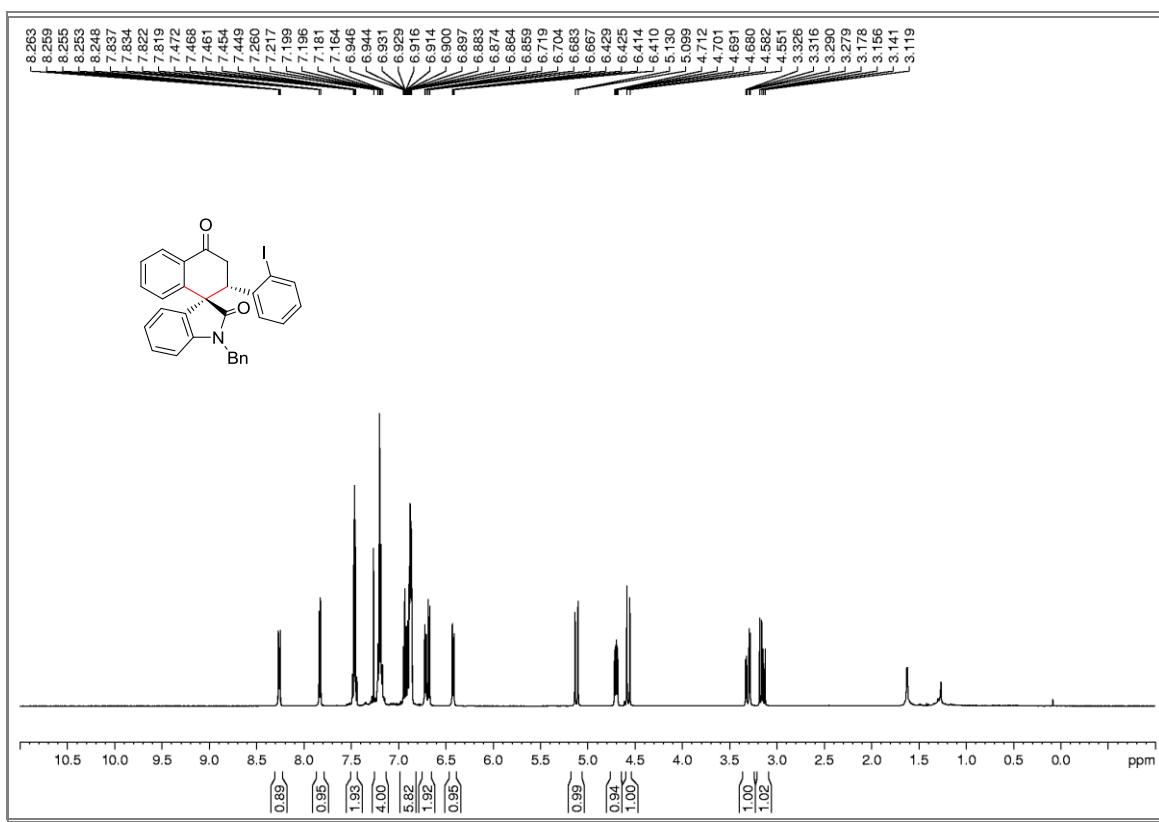


Figure 33: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3q** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

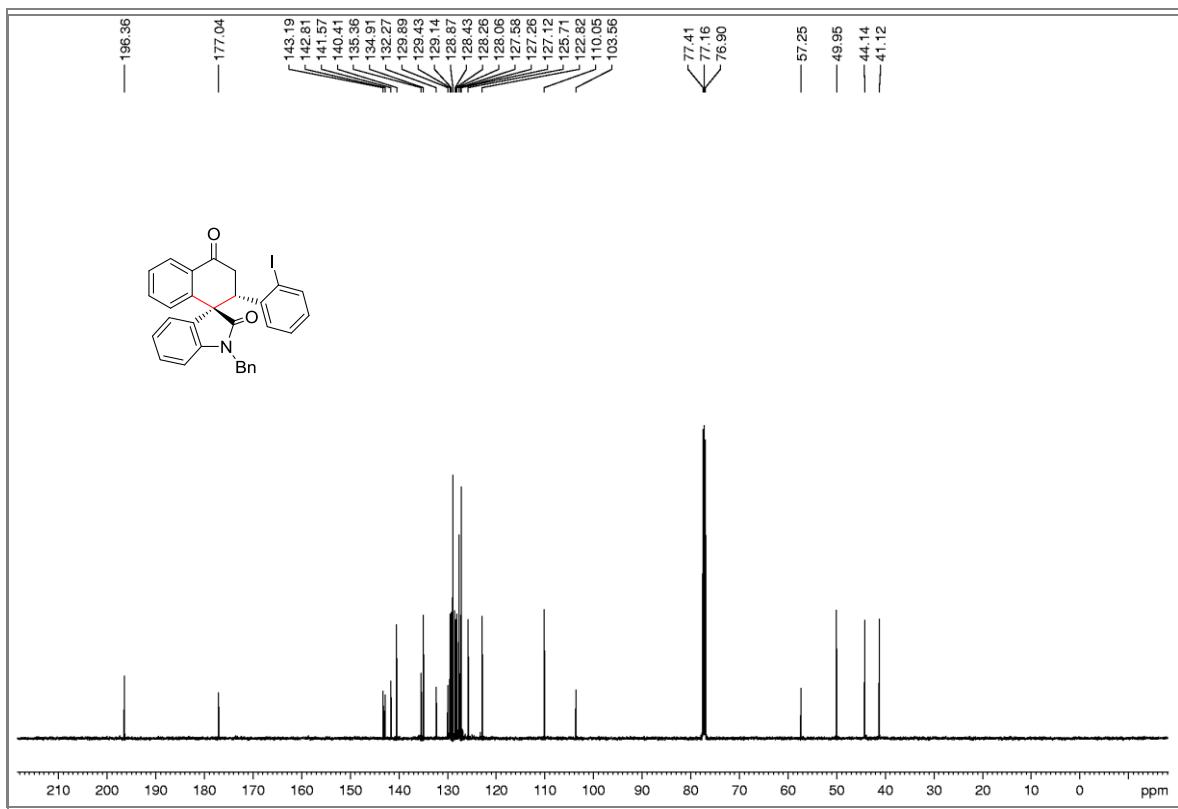


Figure 34: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3q** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

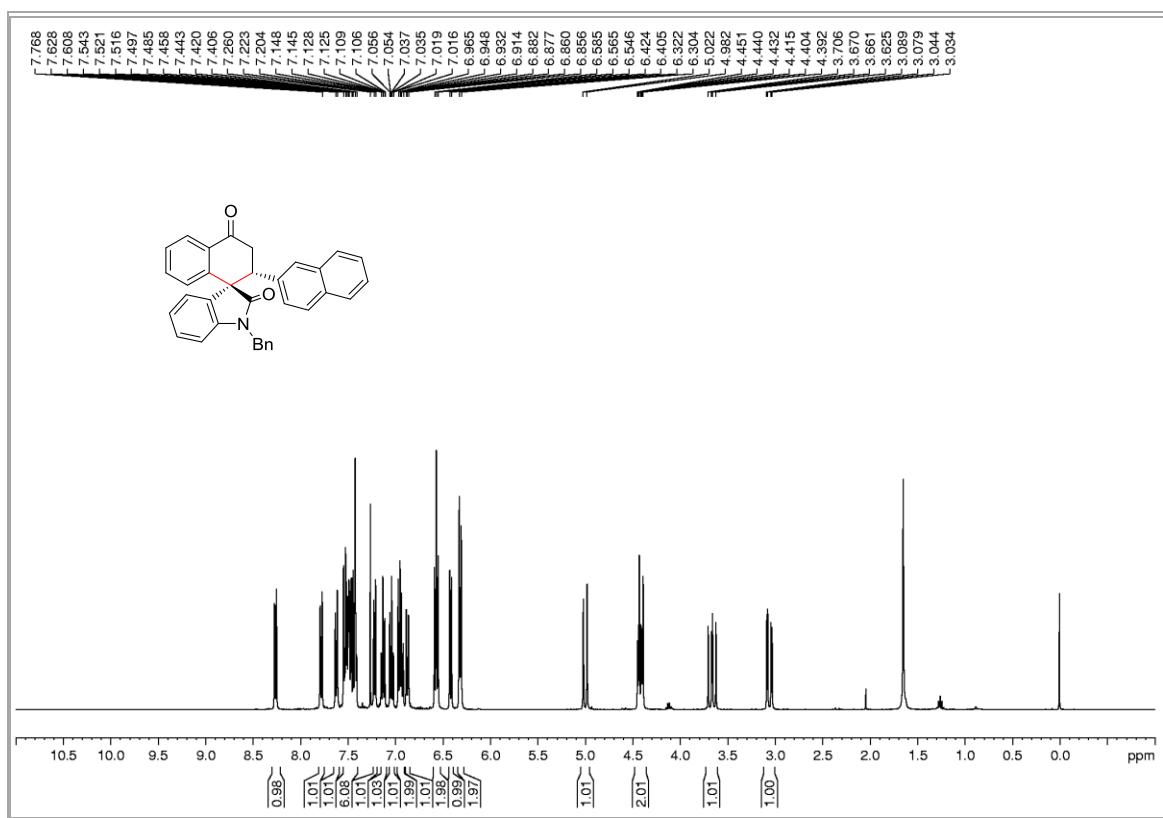


Figure 35: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3r** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

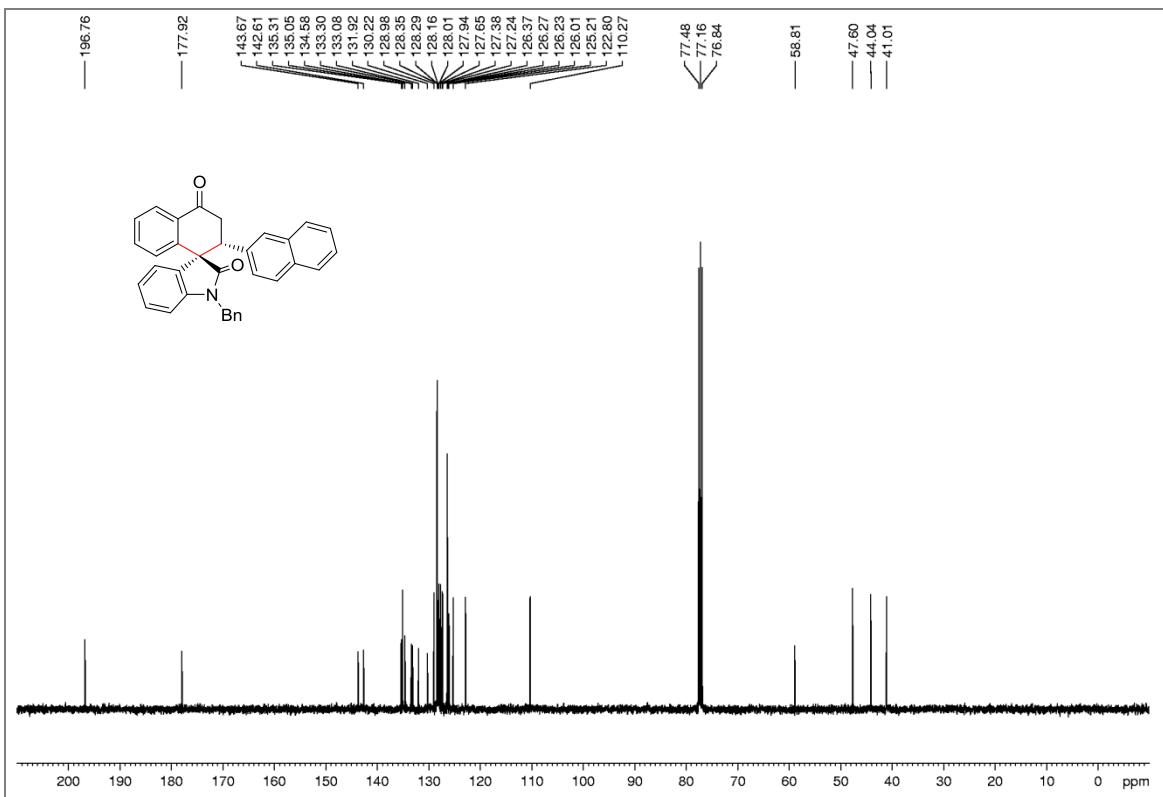


Figure 36: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3r** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

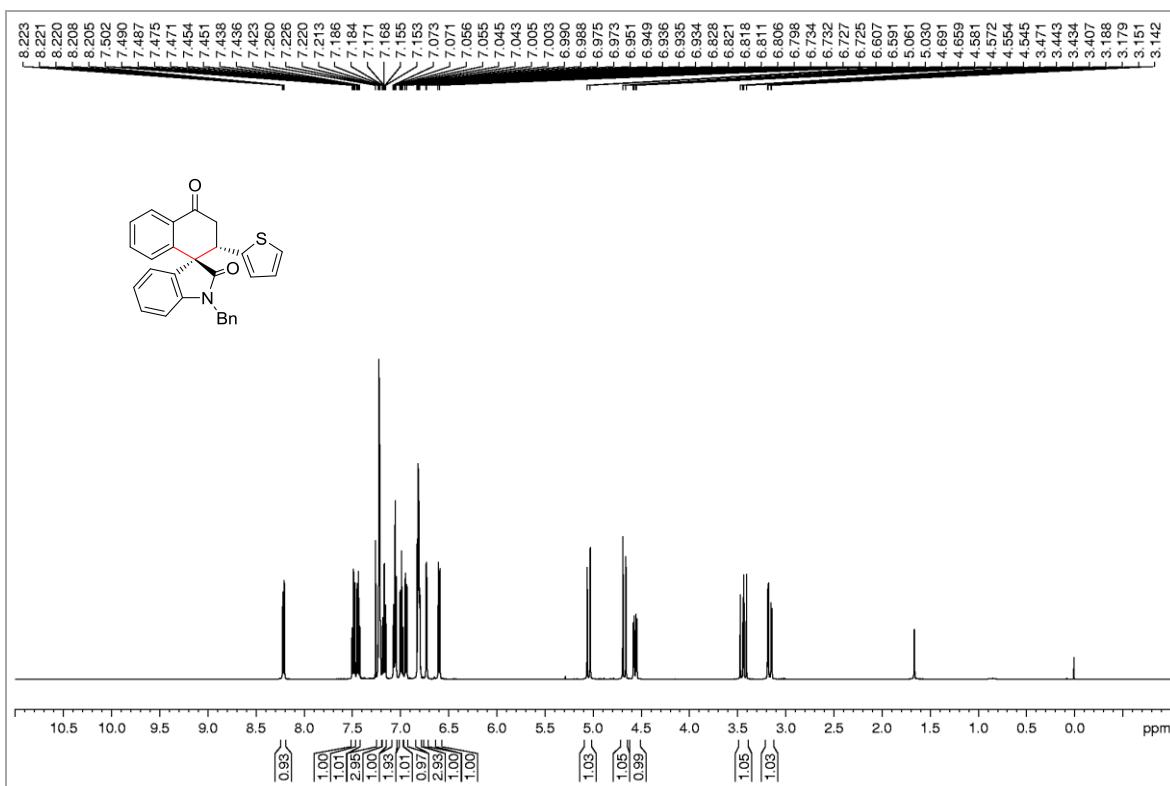


Figure 37: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3s** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

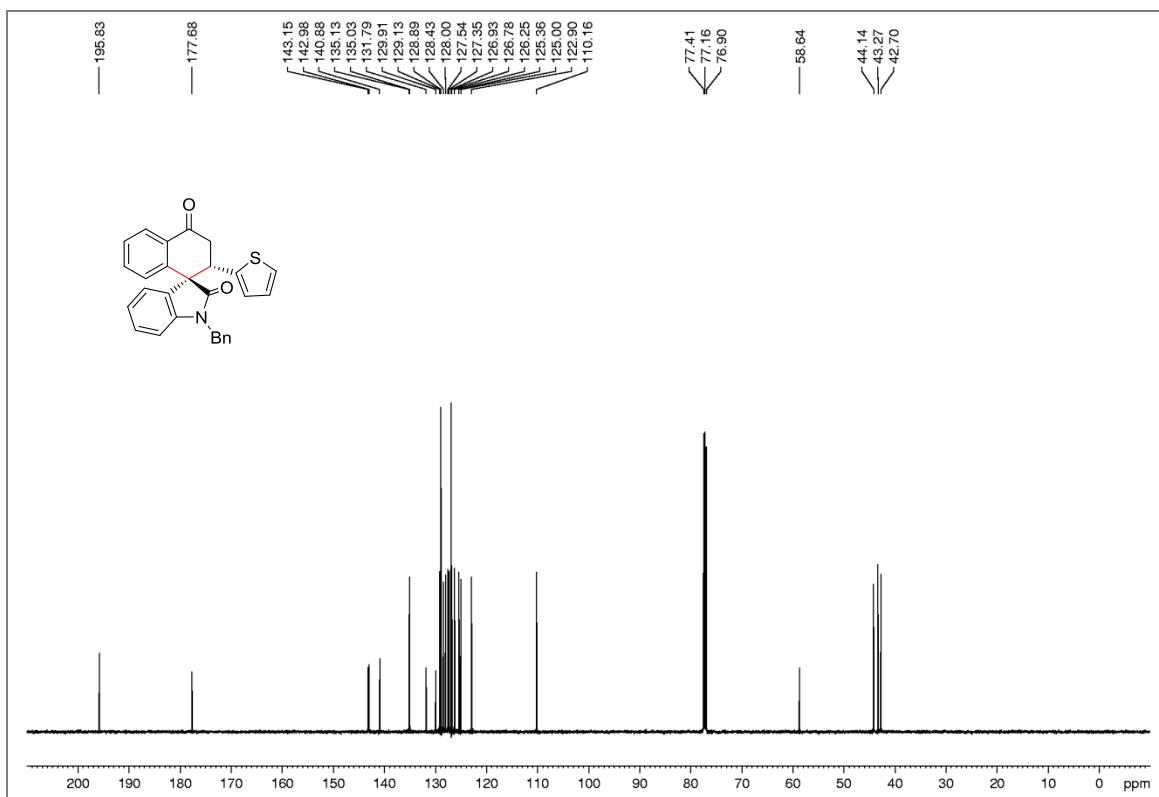


Figure 38: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3s** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

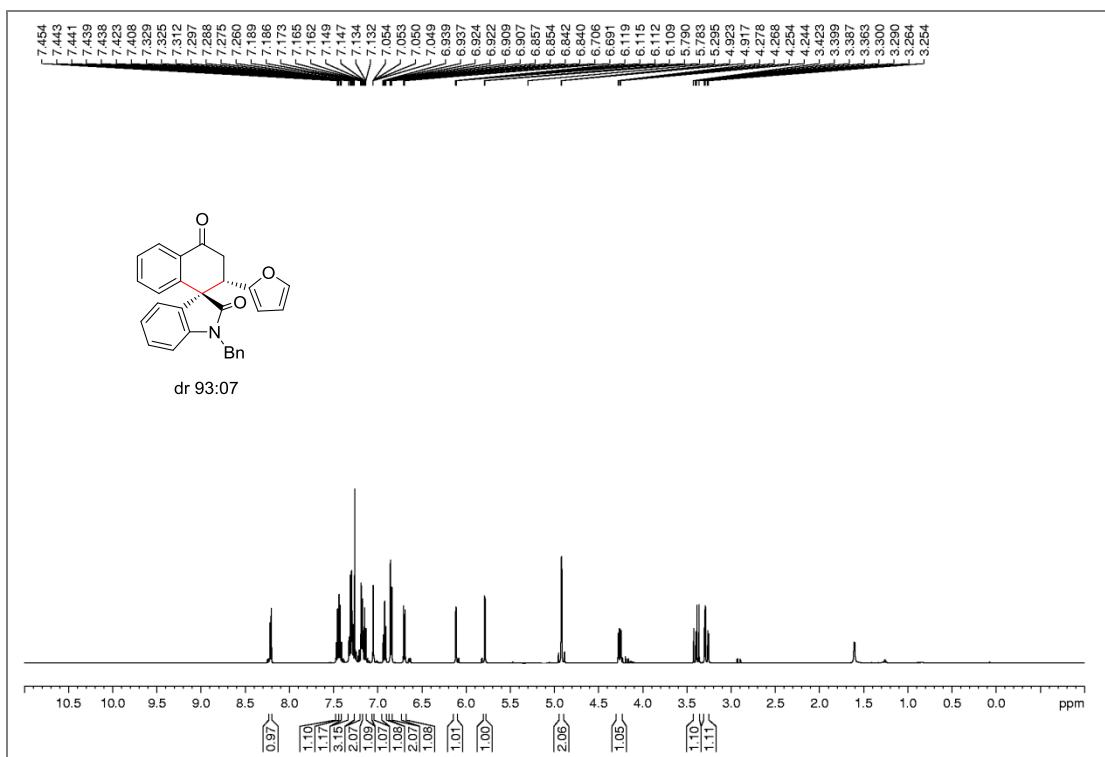


Figure 39: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3t** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

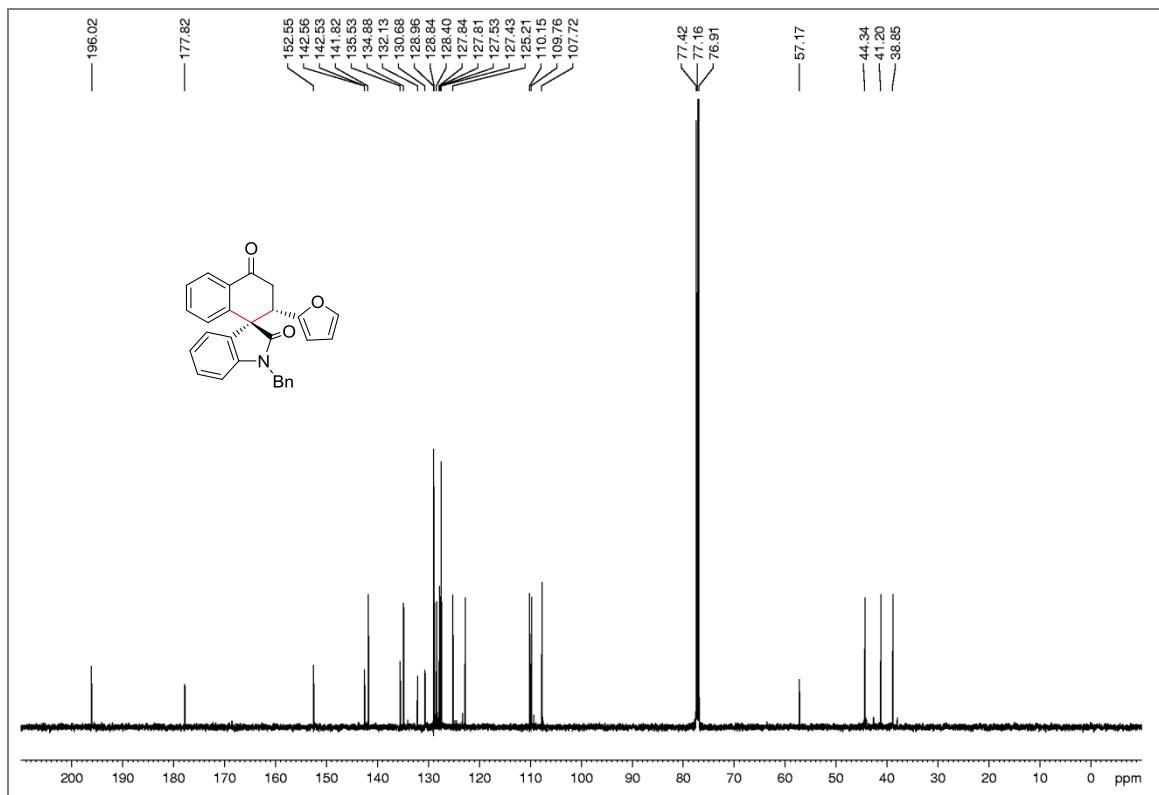


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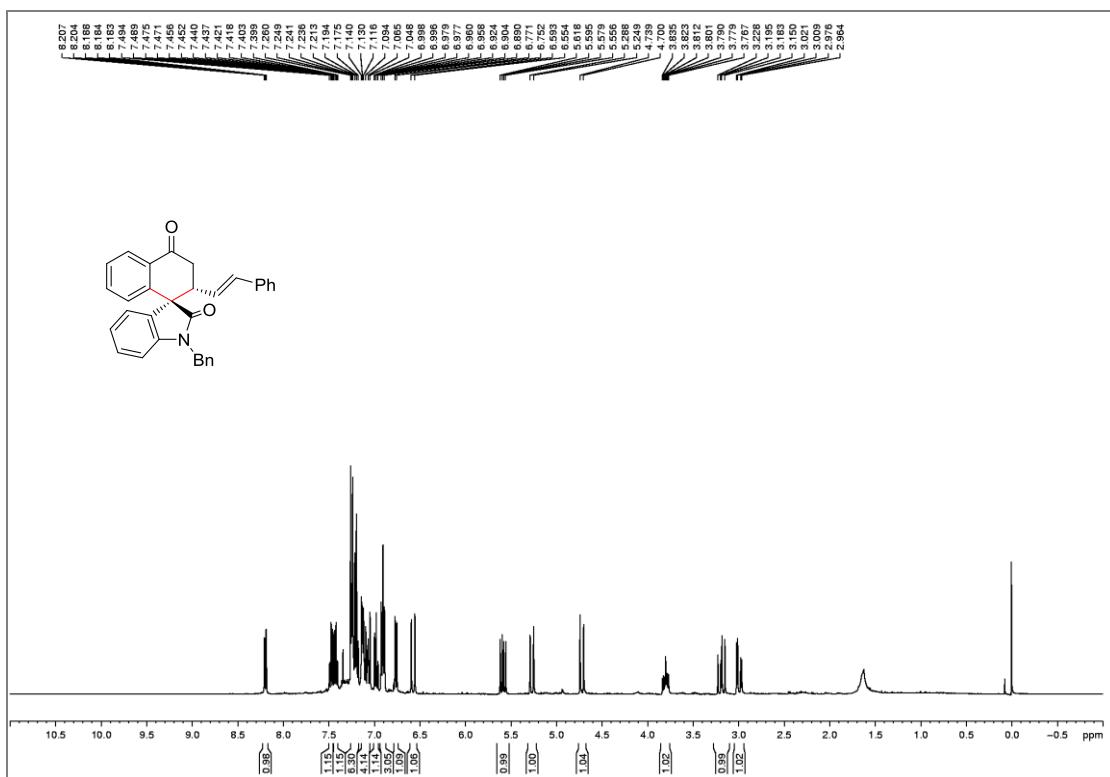


Figure 41: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3u** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

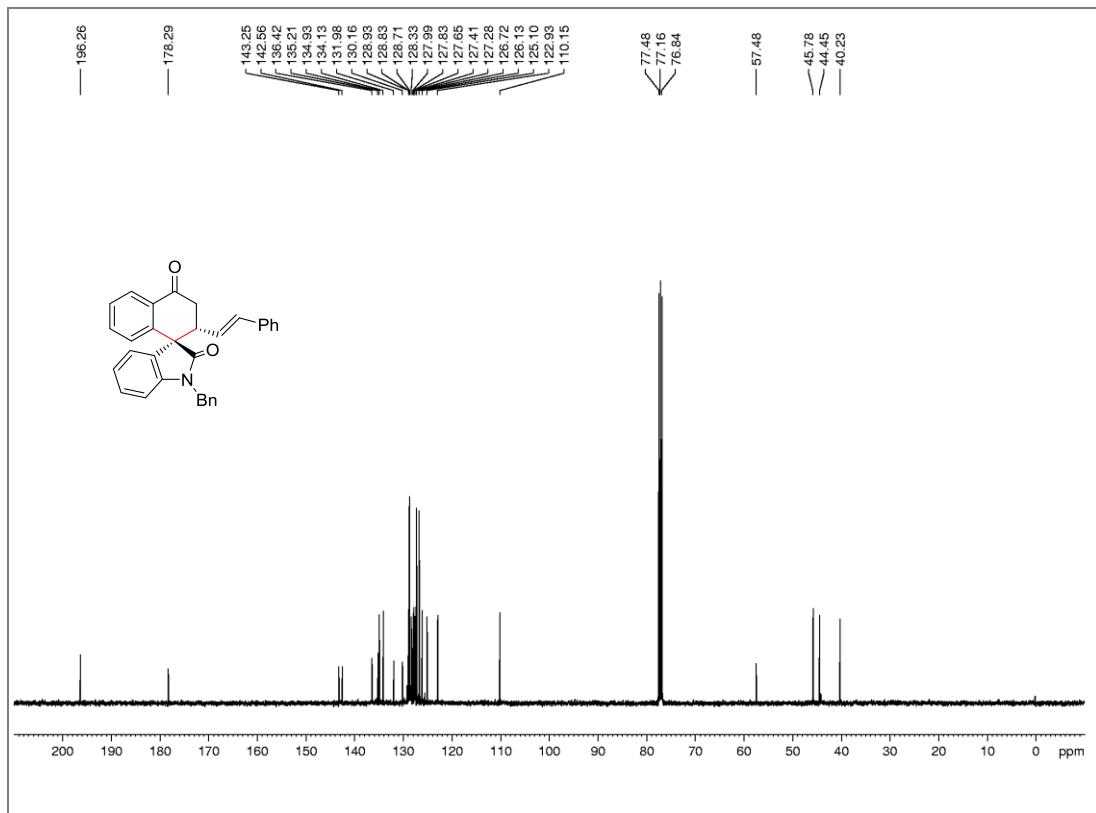


Figure 42: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3u** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

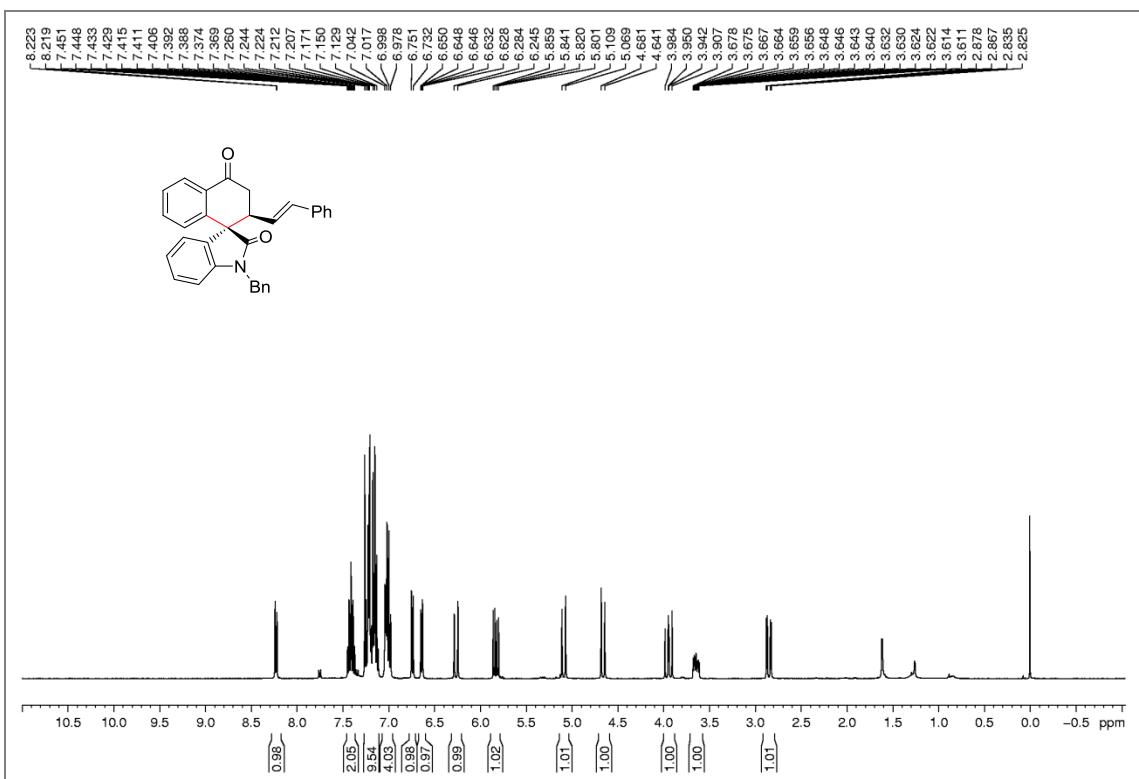


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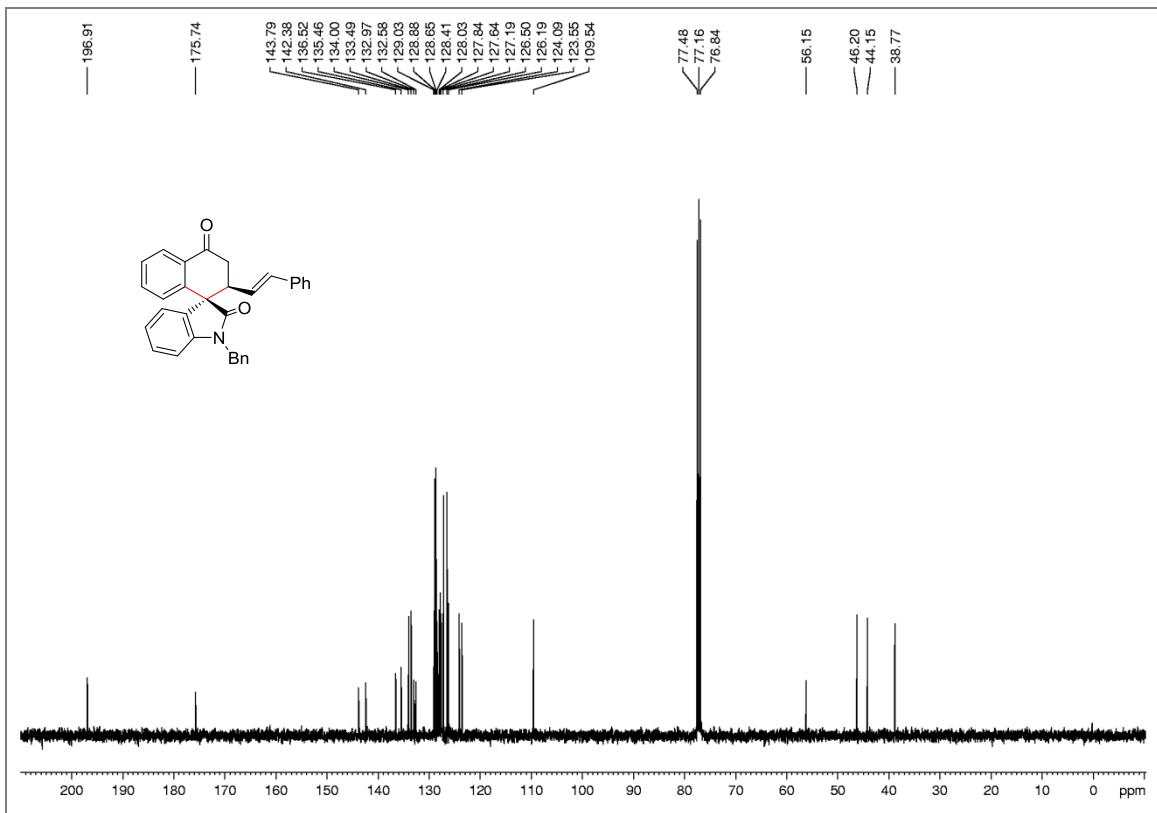


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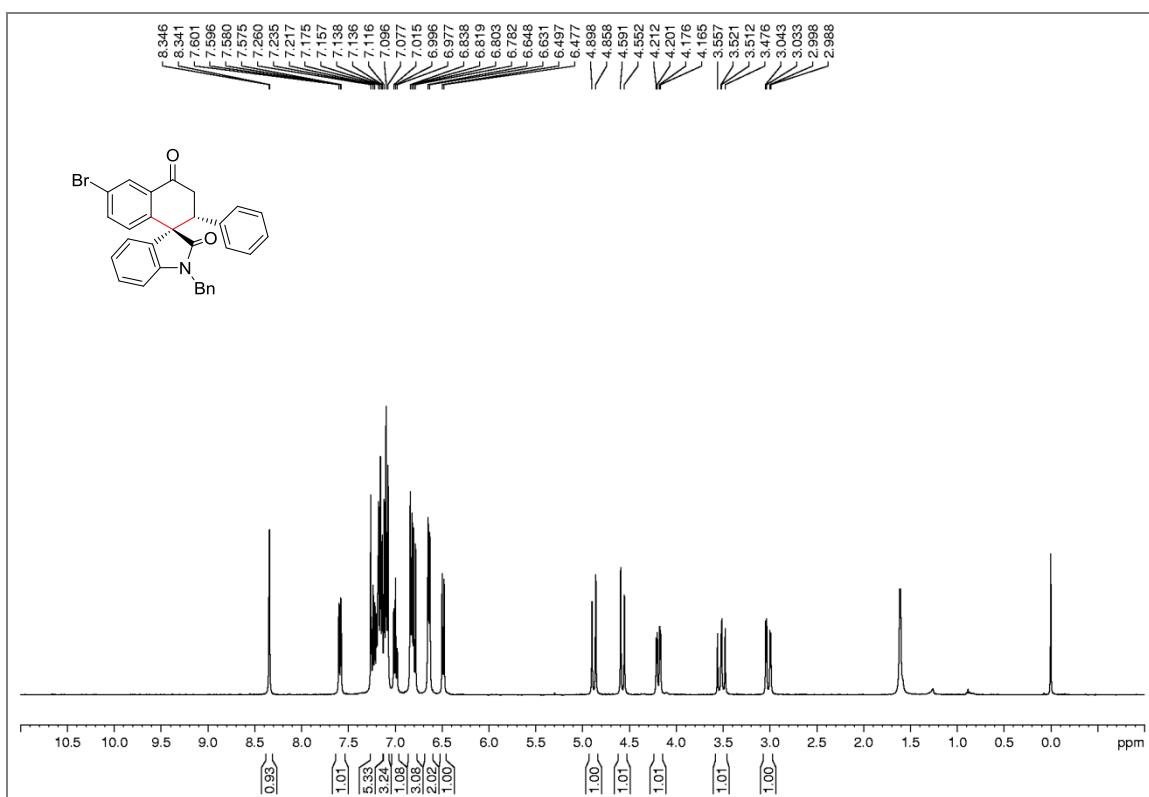


Figure 45: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3v** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

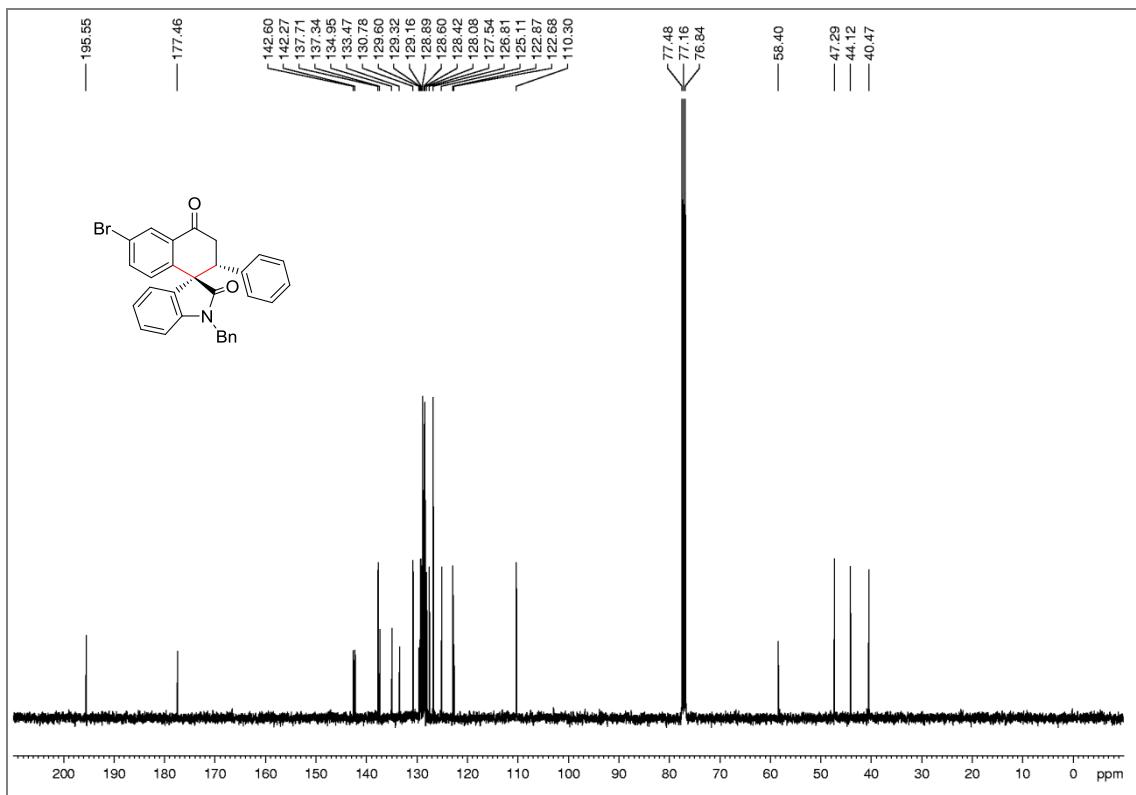


Figure 46: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3v** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

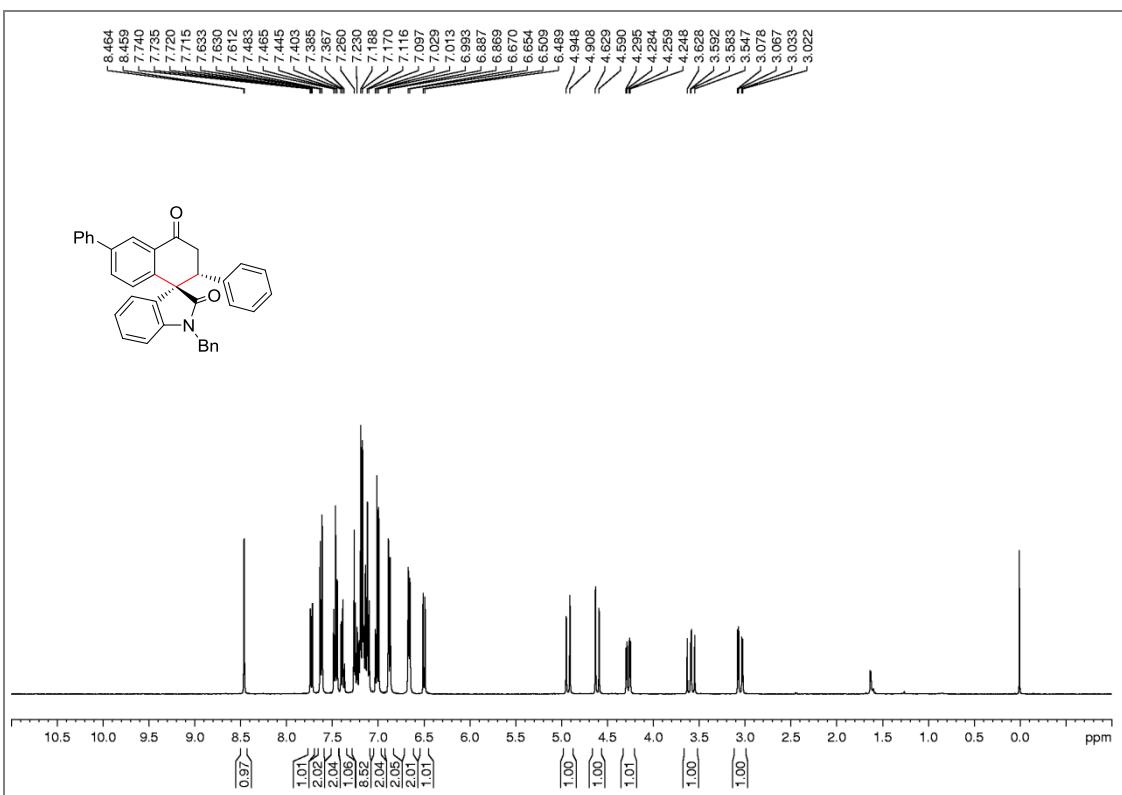


Figure 47: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3w** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

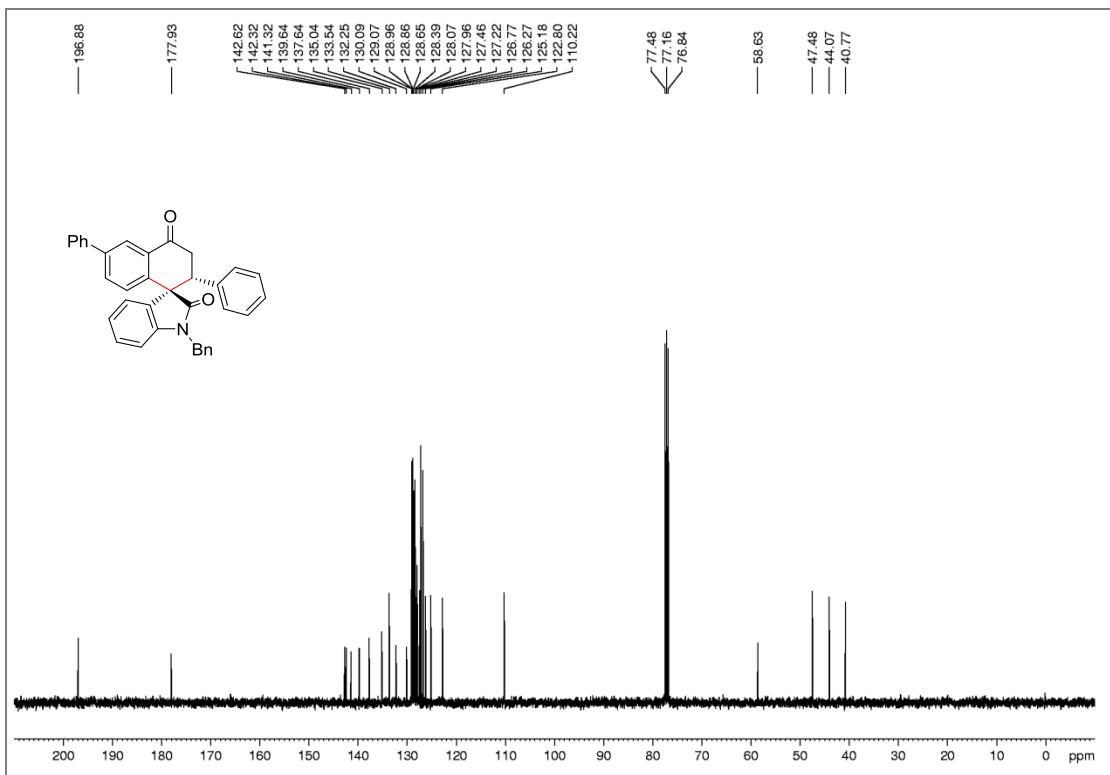


Figure 48: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3w** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

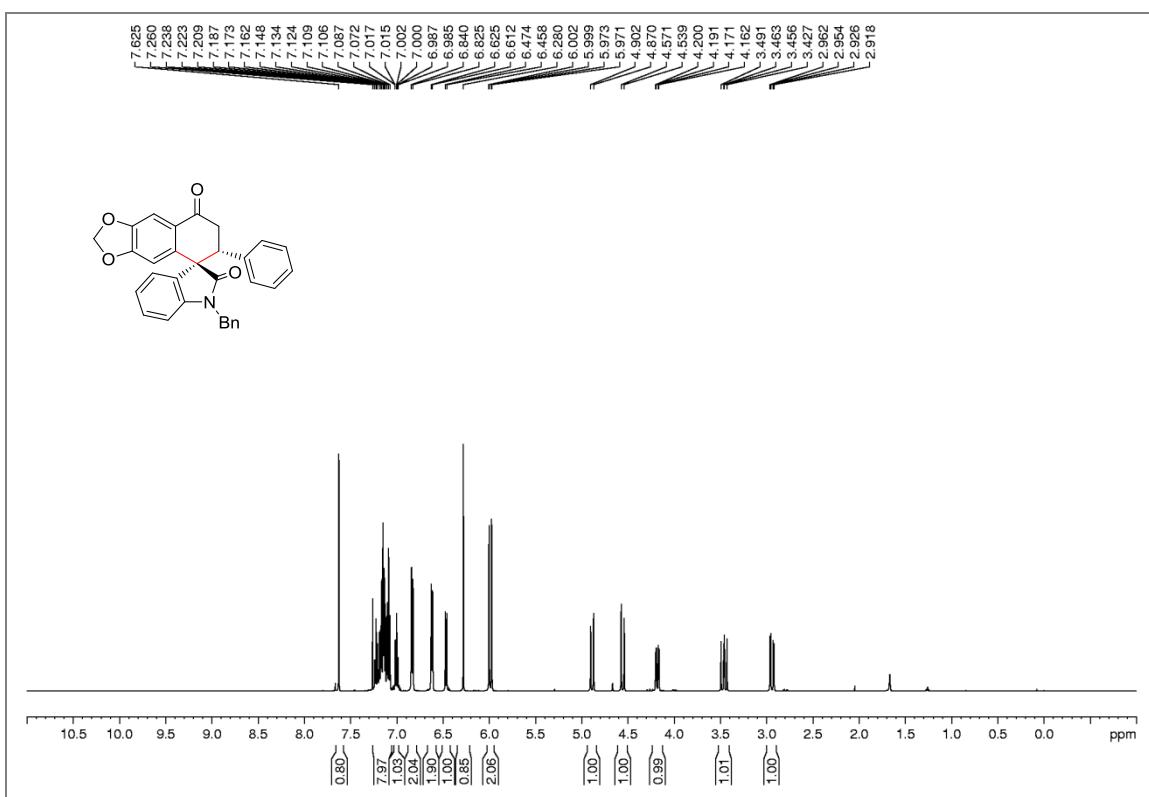


Figure 49: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3x** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

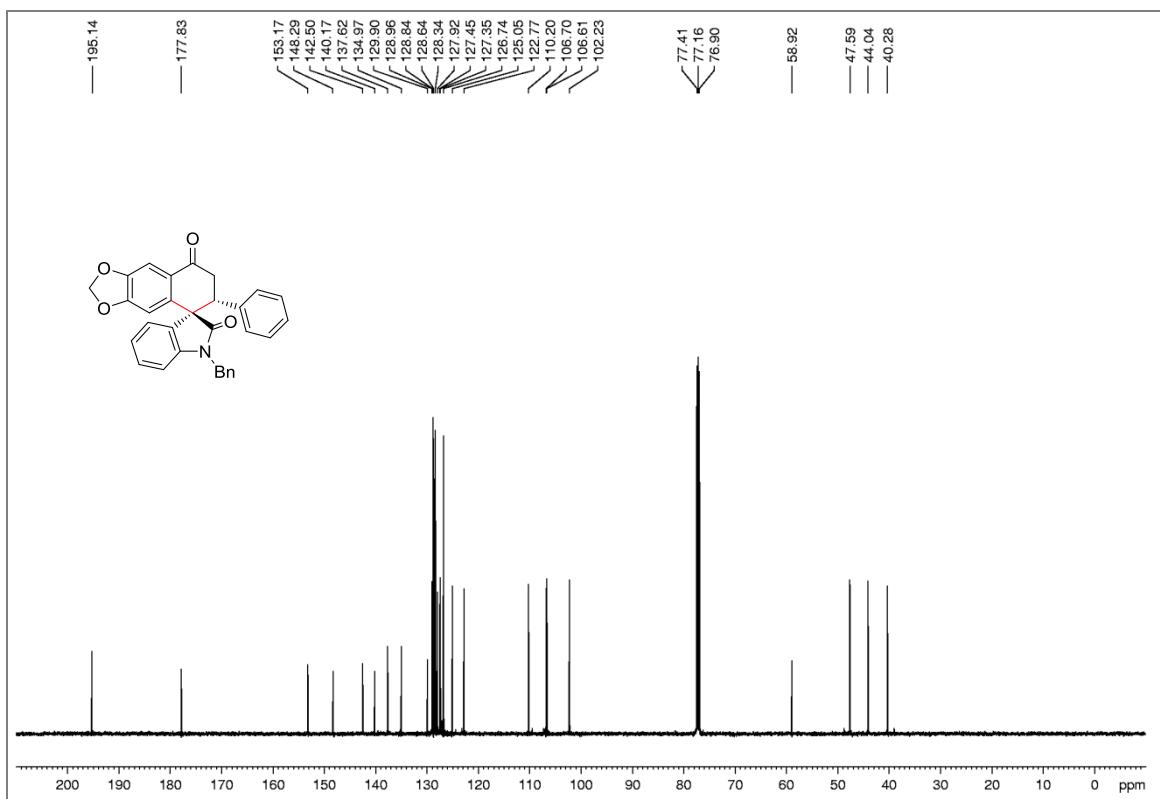


Figure 50: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3x** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

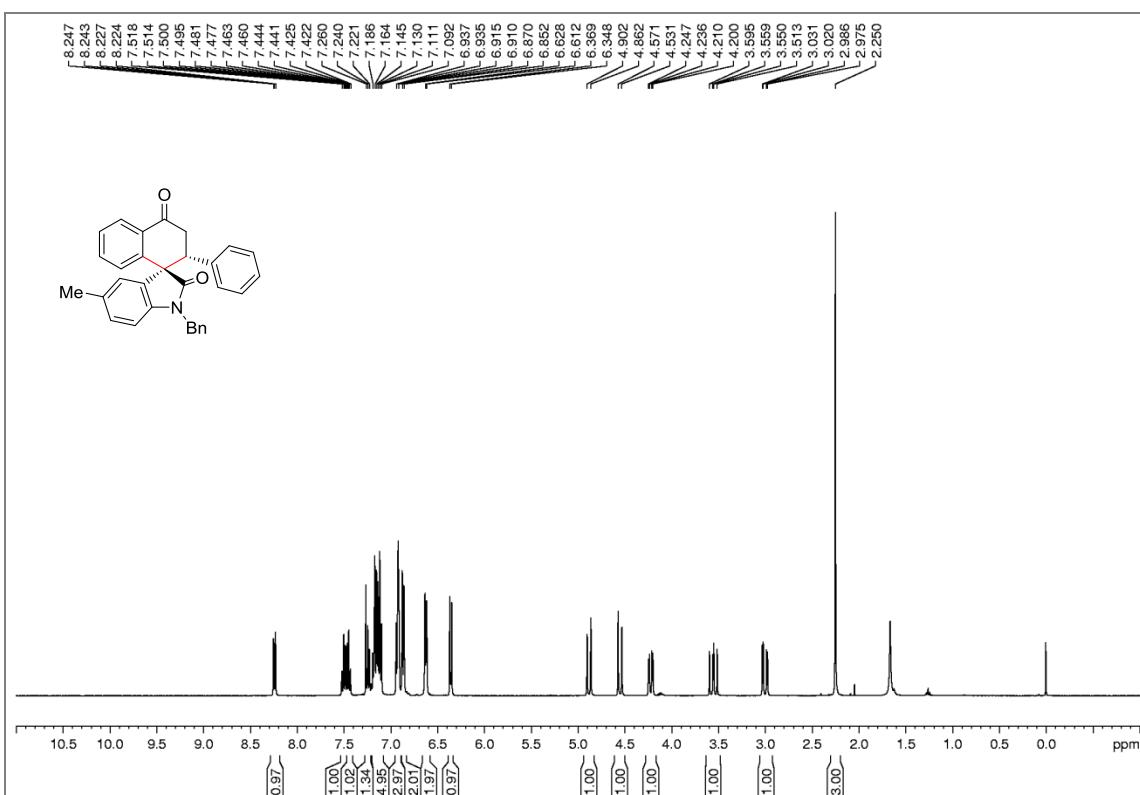


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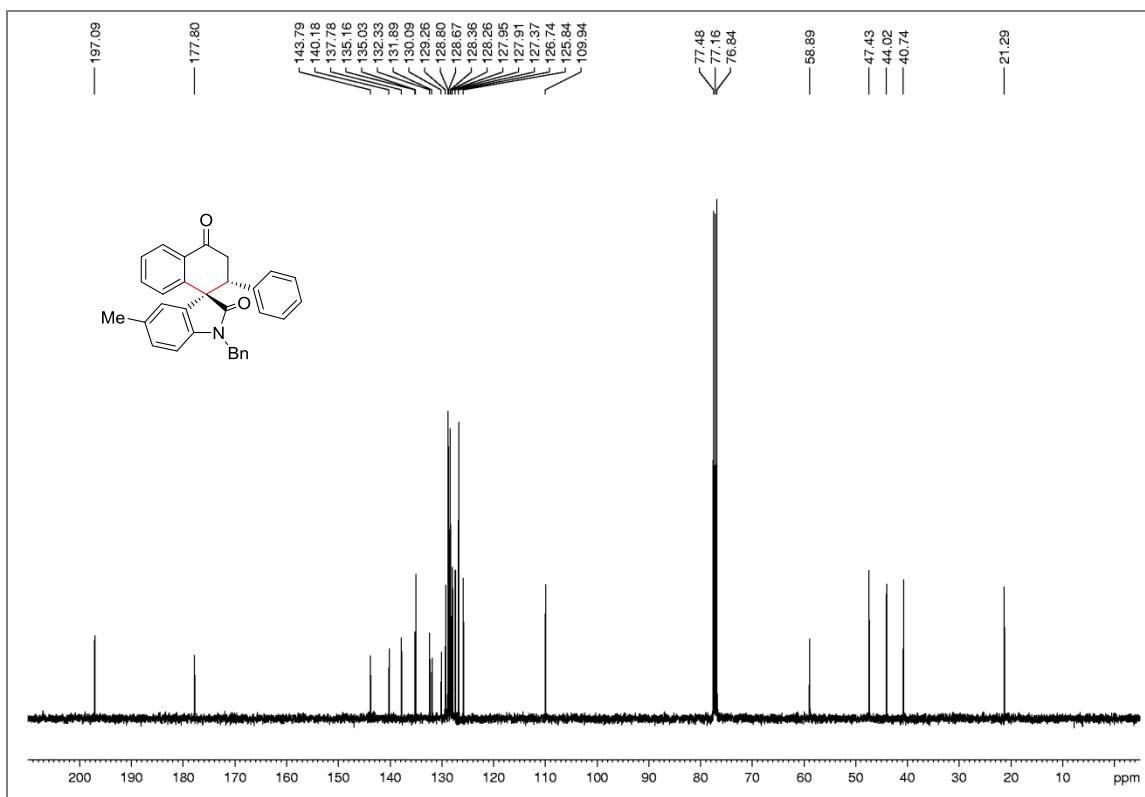


Figure 52: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3y** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

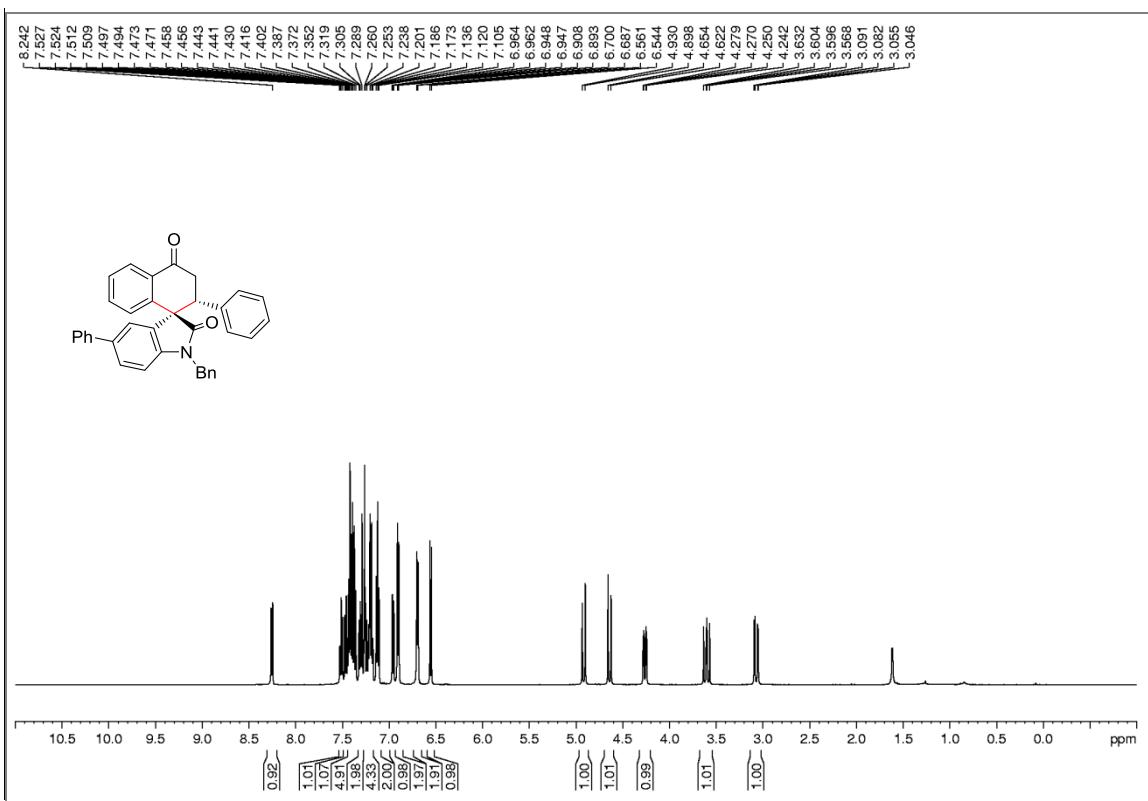


Figure 53: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3z** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

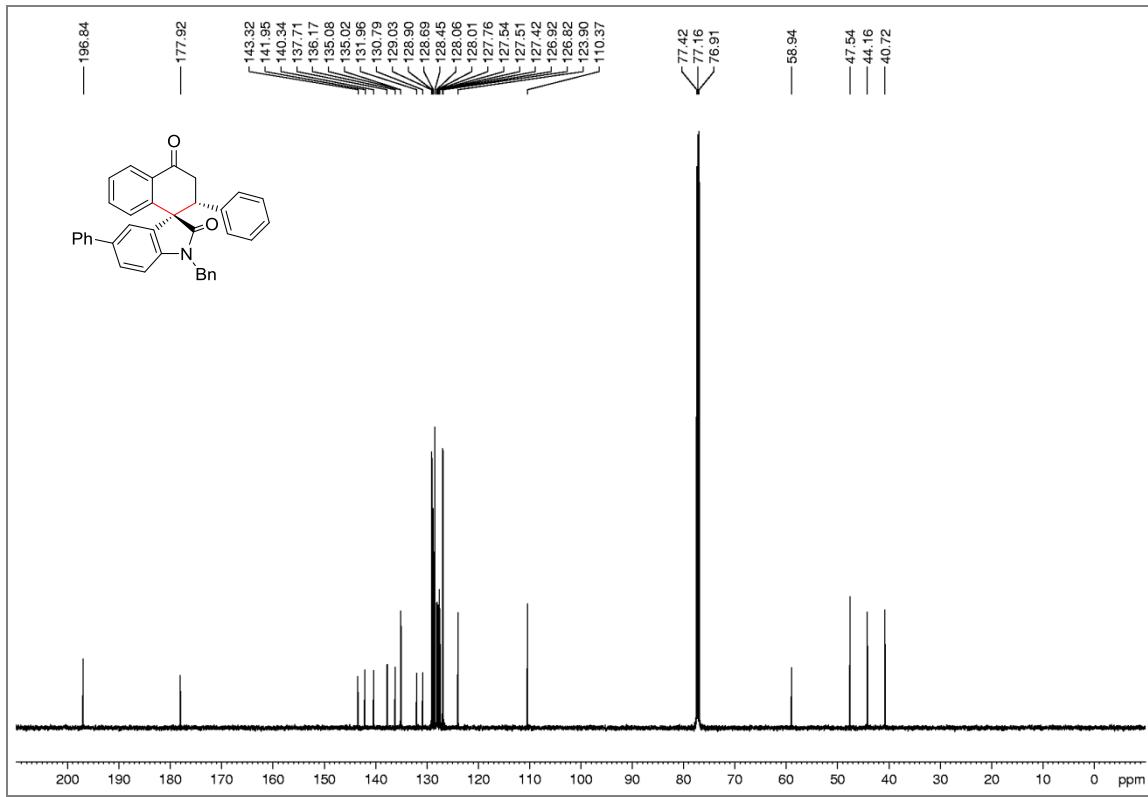


Figure 54: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3z** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

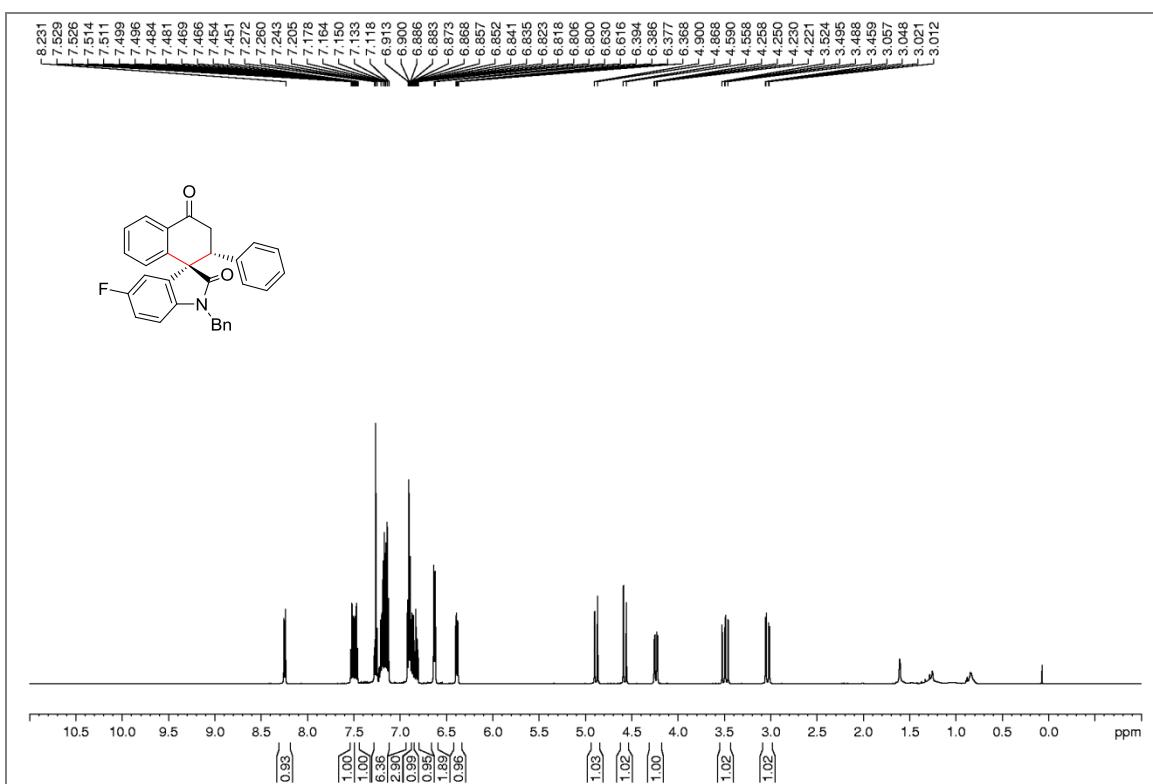


Figure 55: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3aa** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

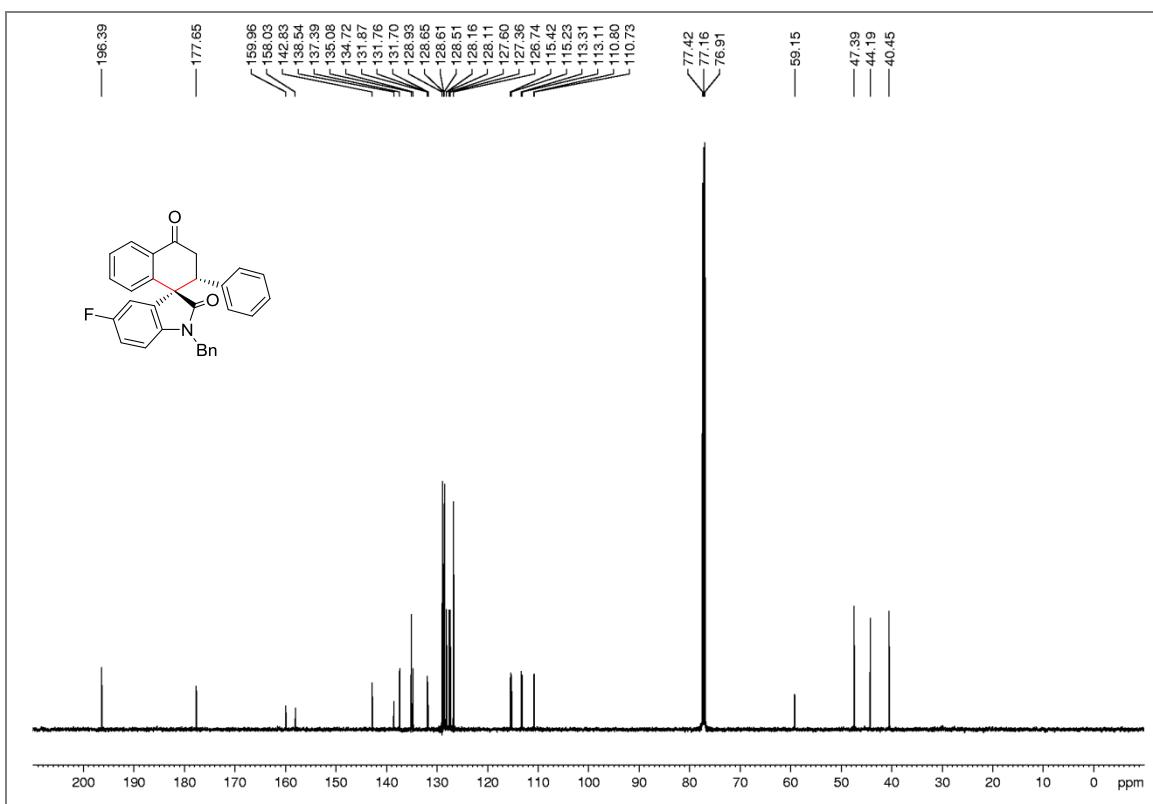


Figure 56: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3aa** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

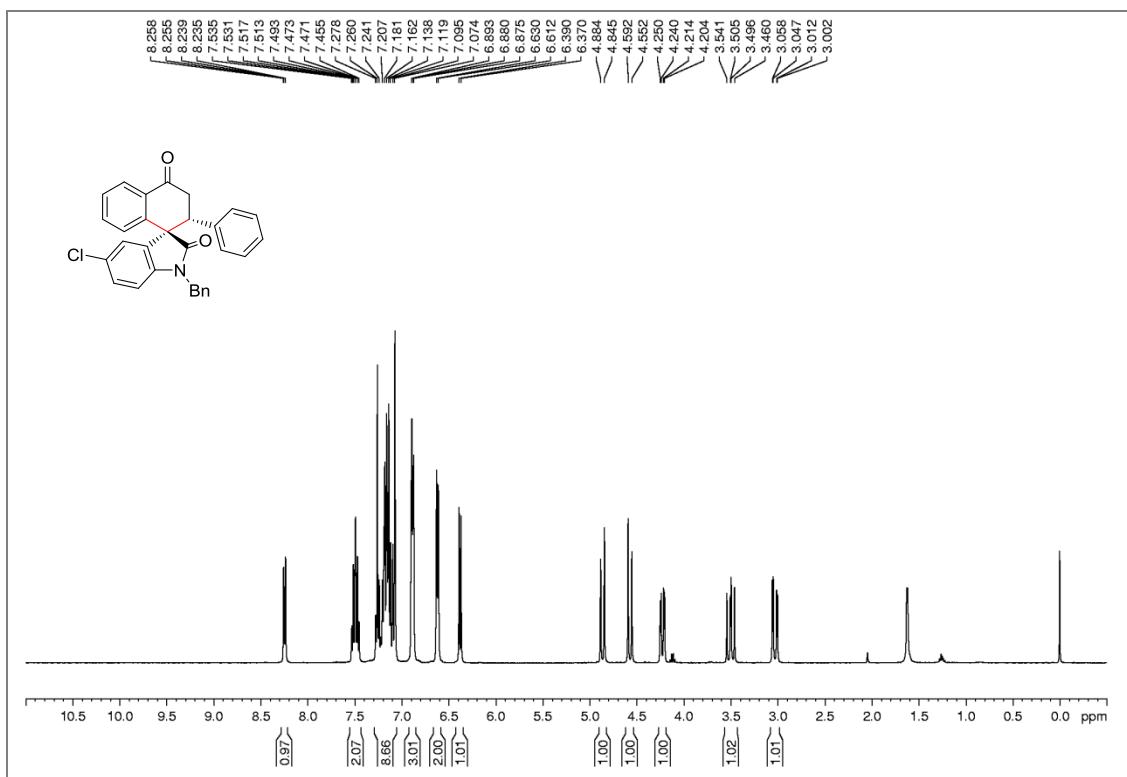


Figure 57: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3ab** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

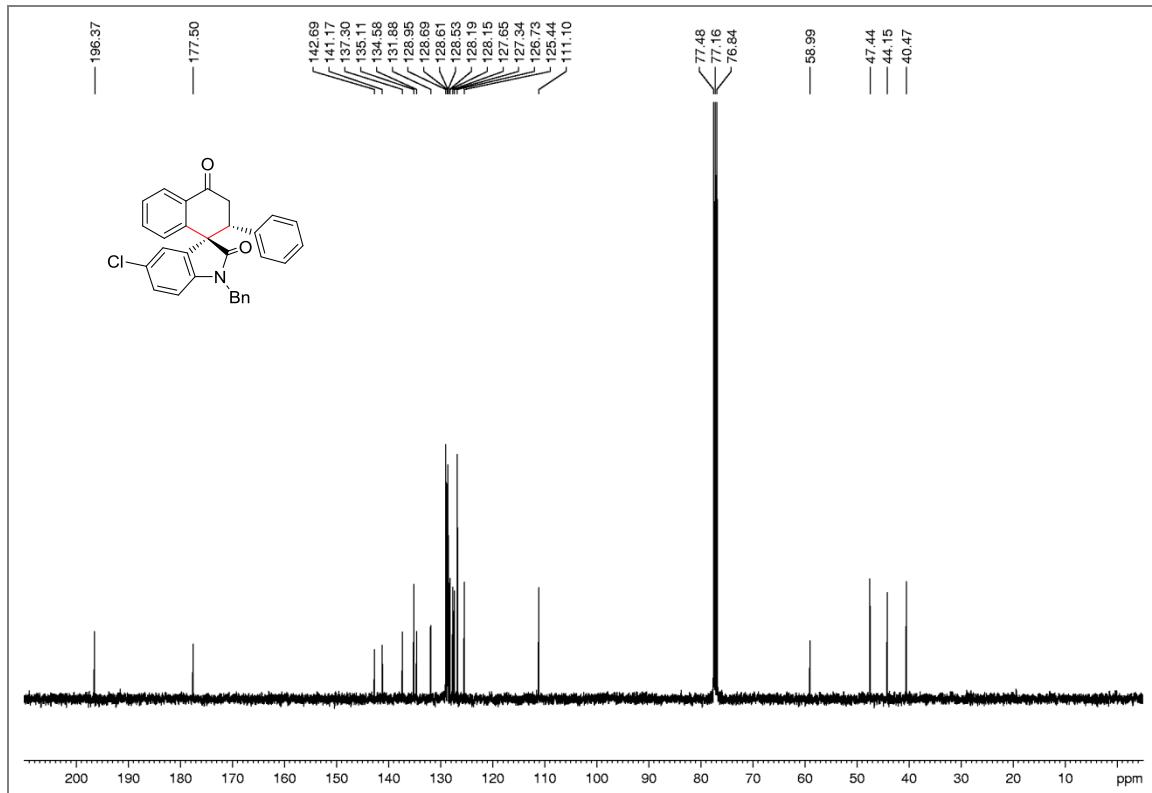


Figure 58: 100 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3ab** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

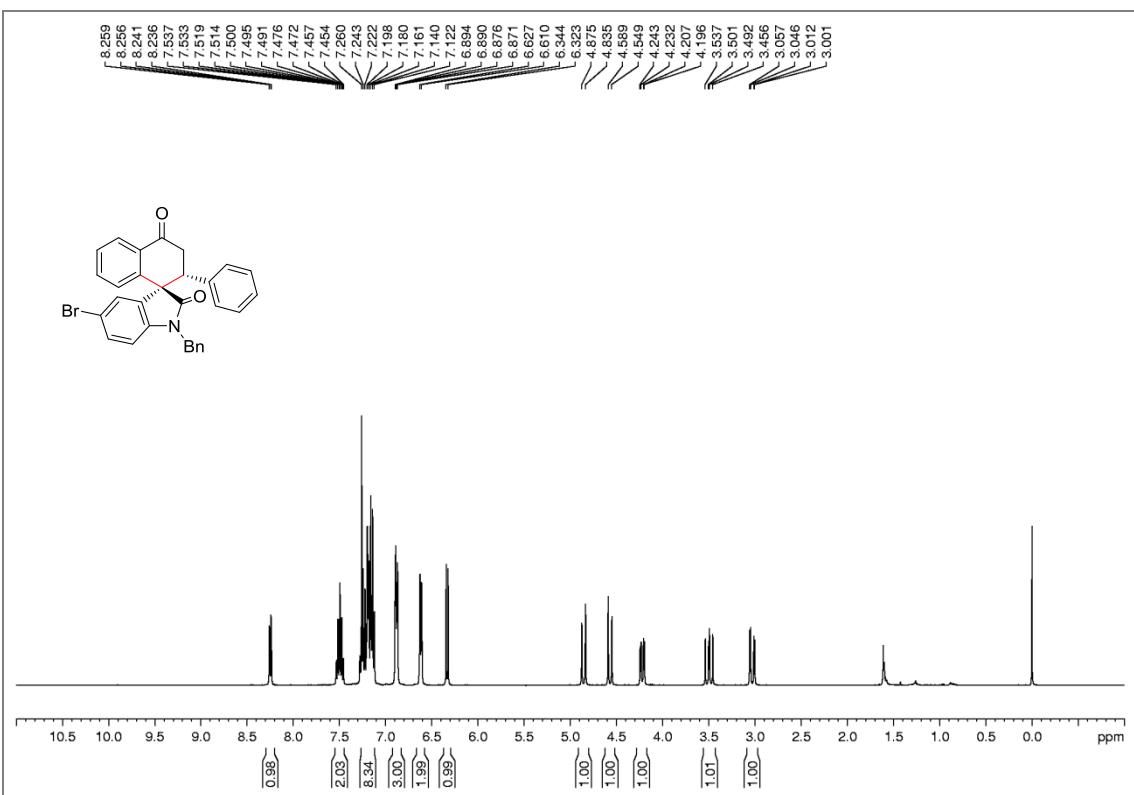


Figure 59: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **3ac** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

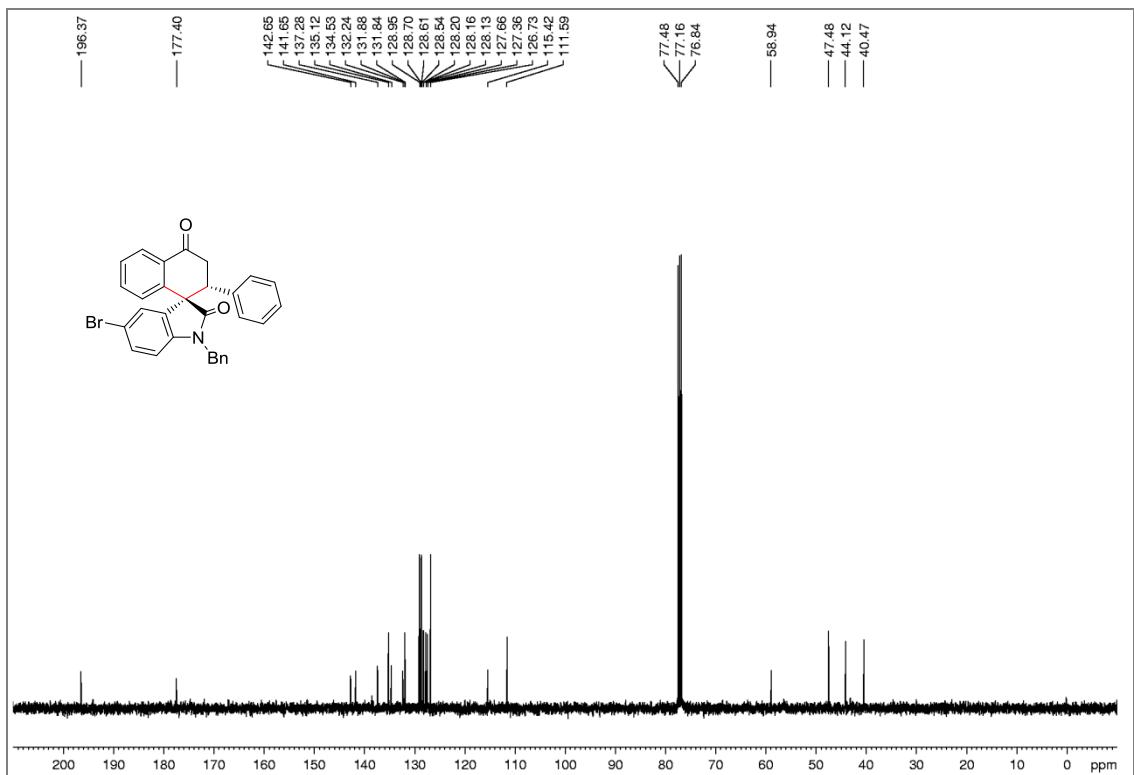


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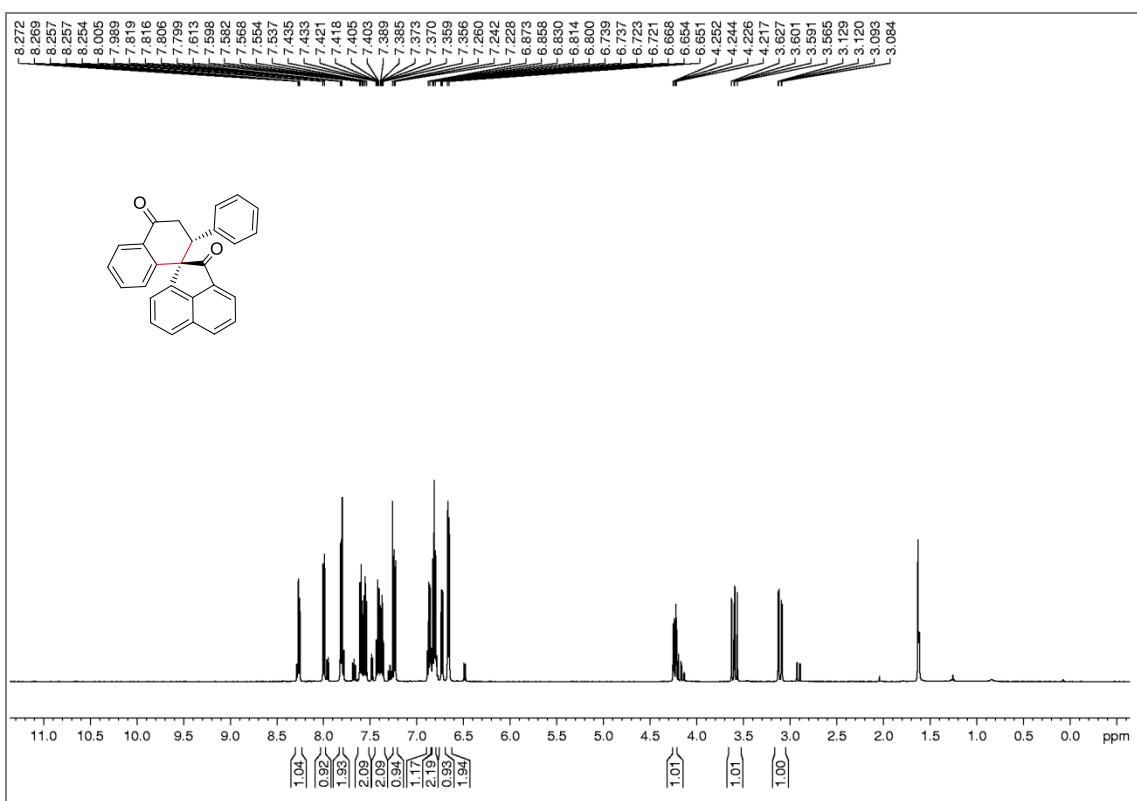


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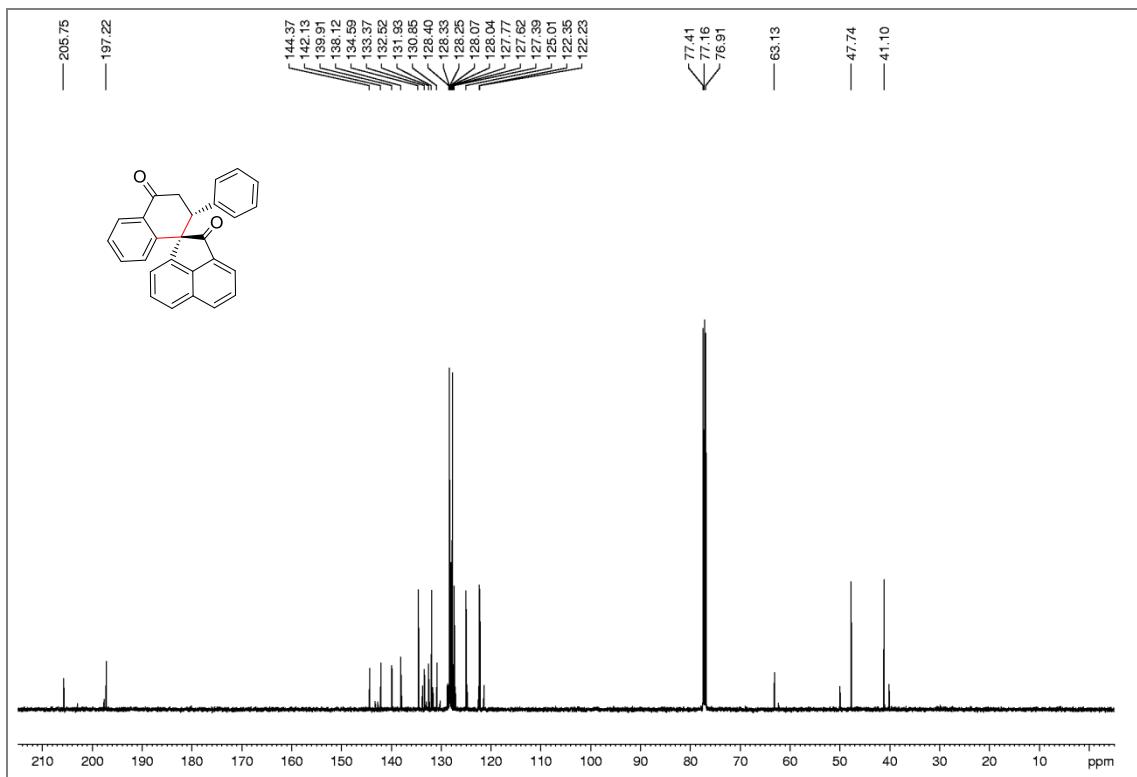


Figure 62: 125 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **7a** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

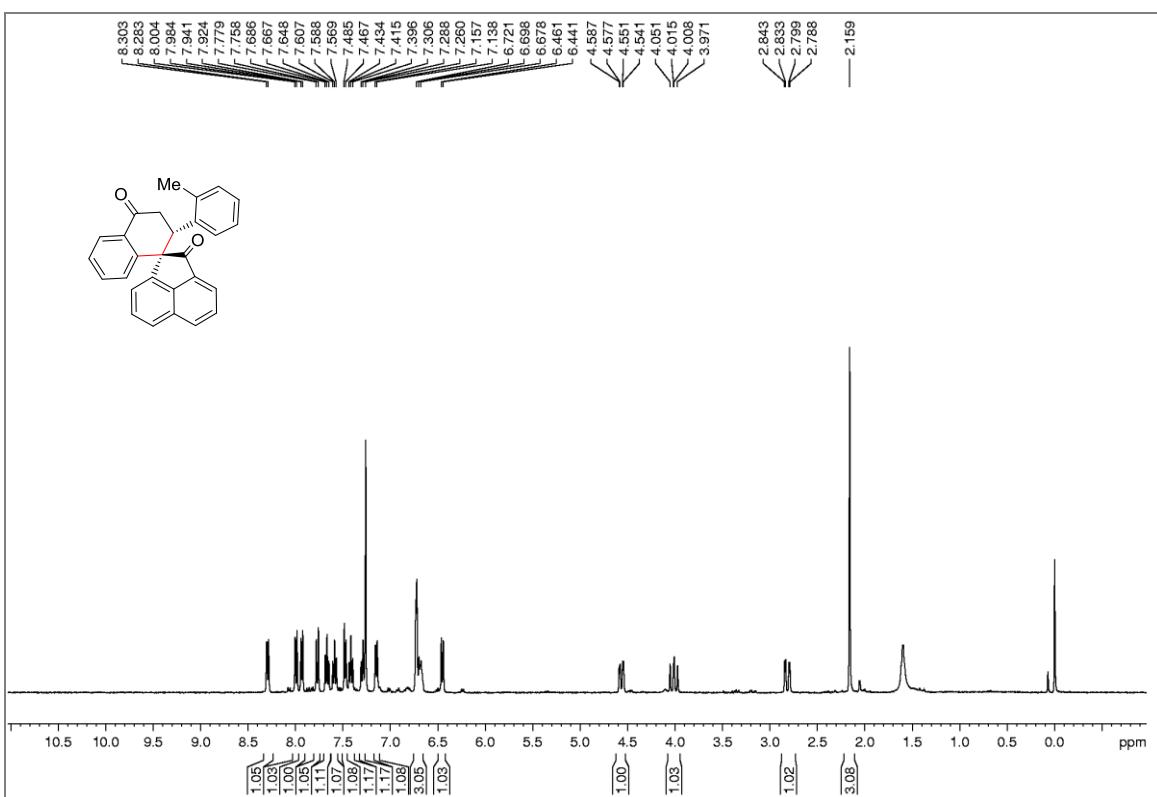


Figure 63: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **7b** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

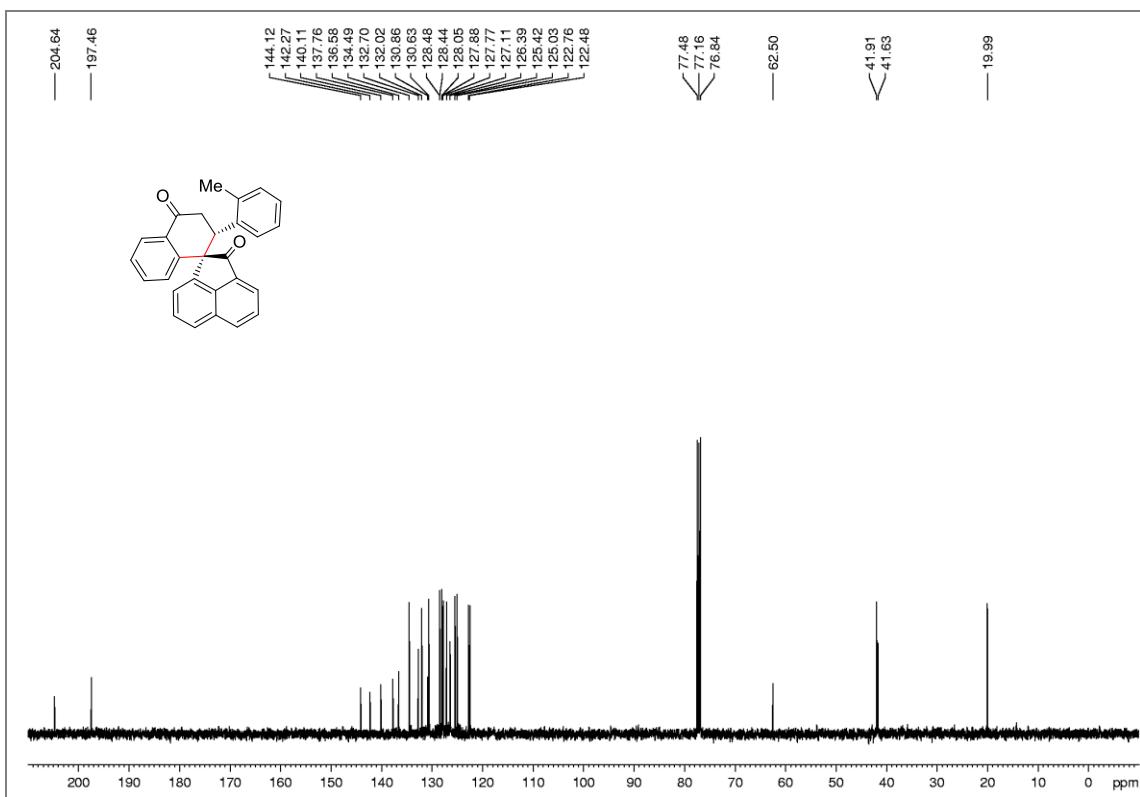


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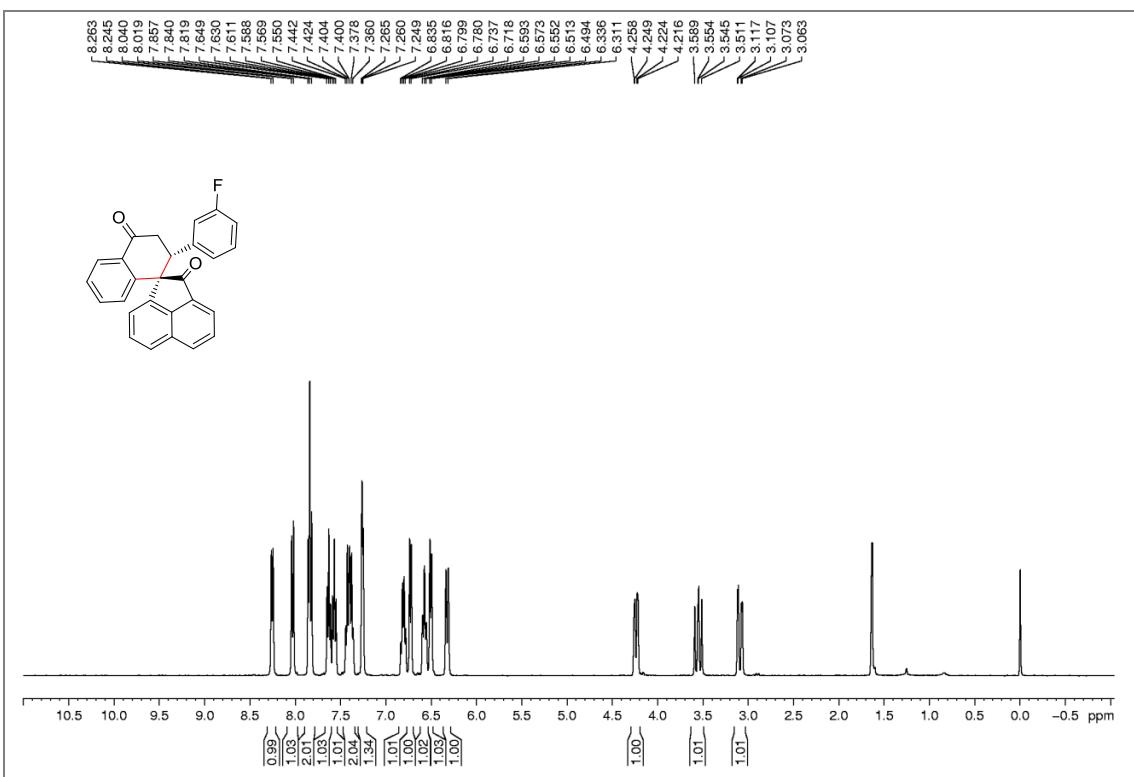


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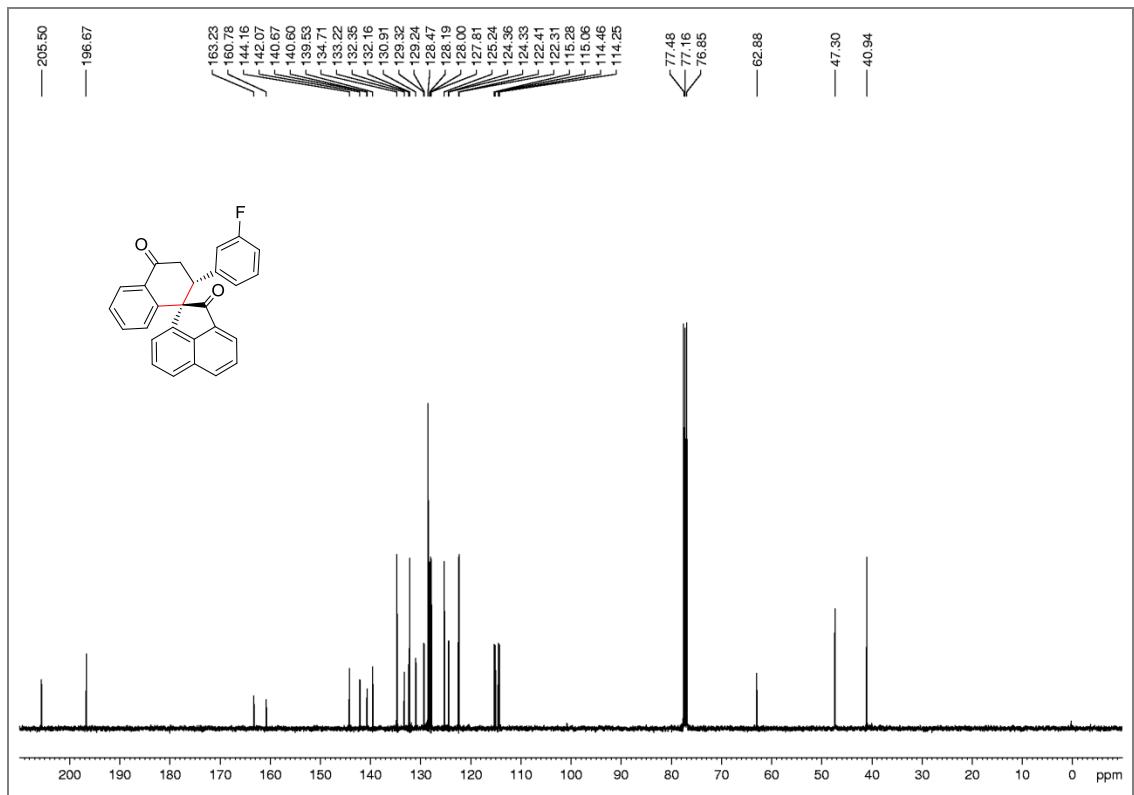


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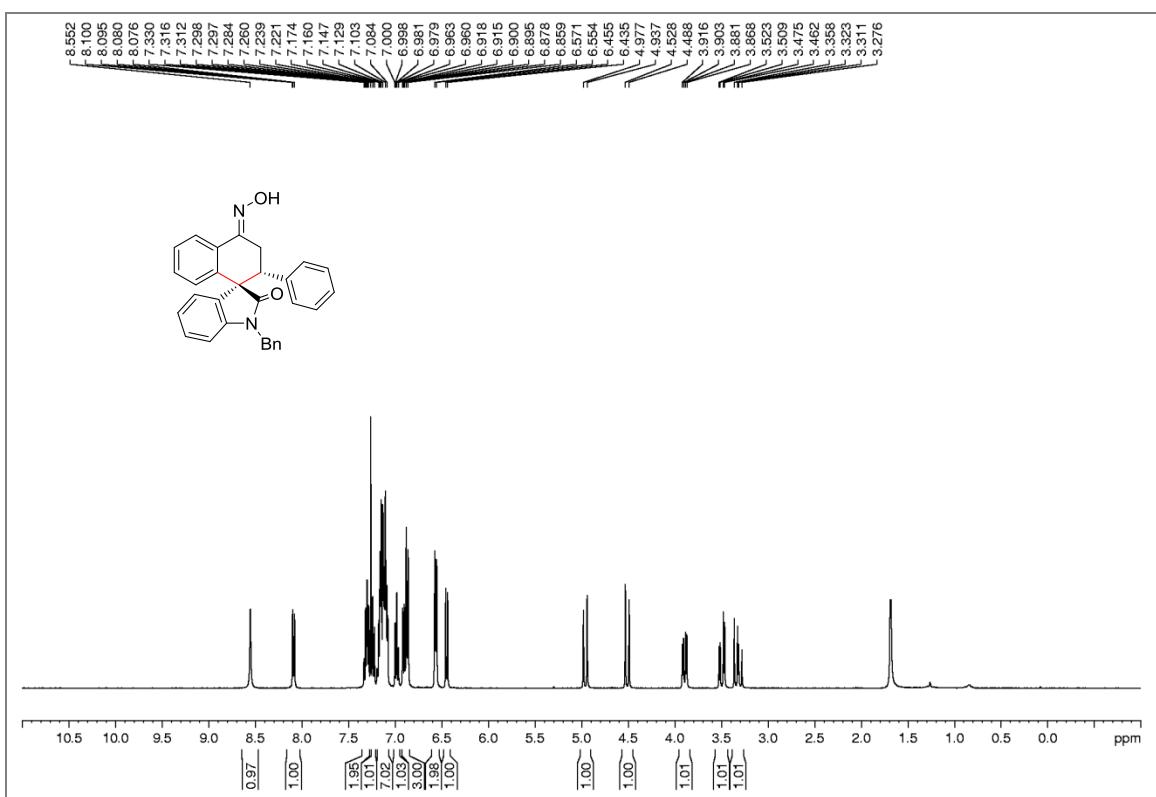


Figure 67: 400 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **8** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

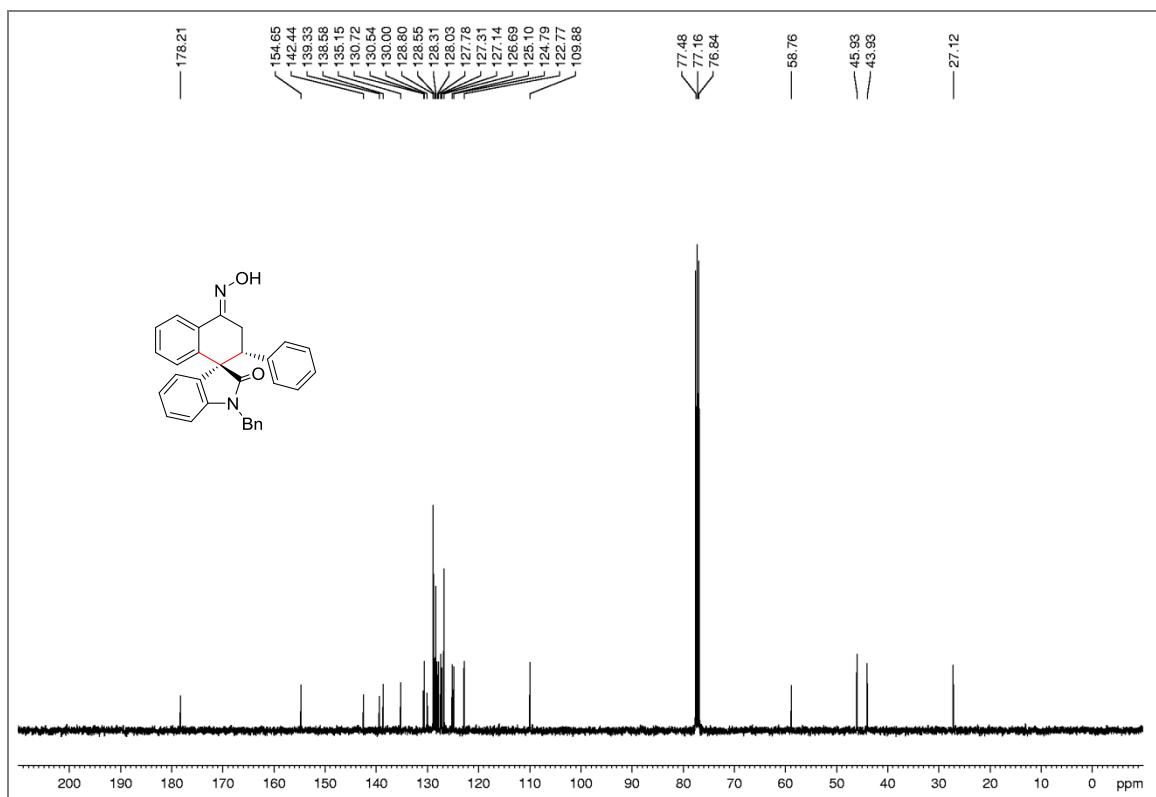


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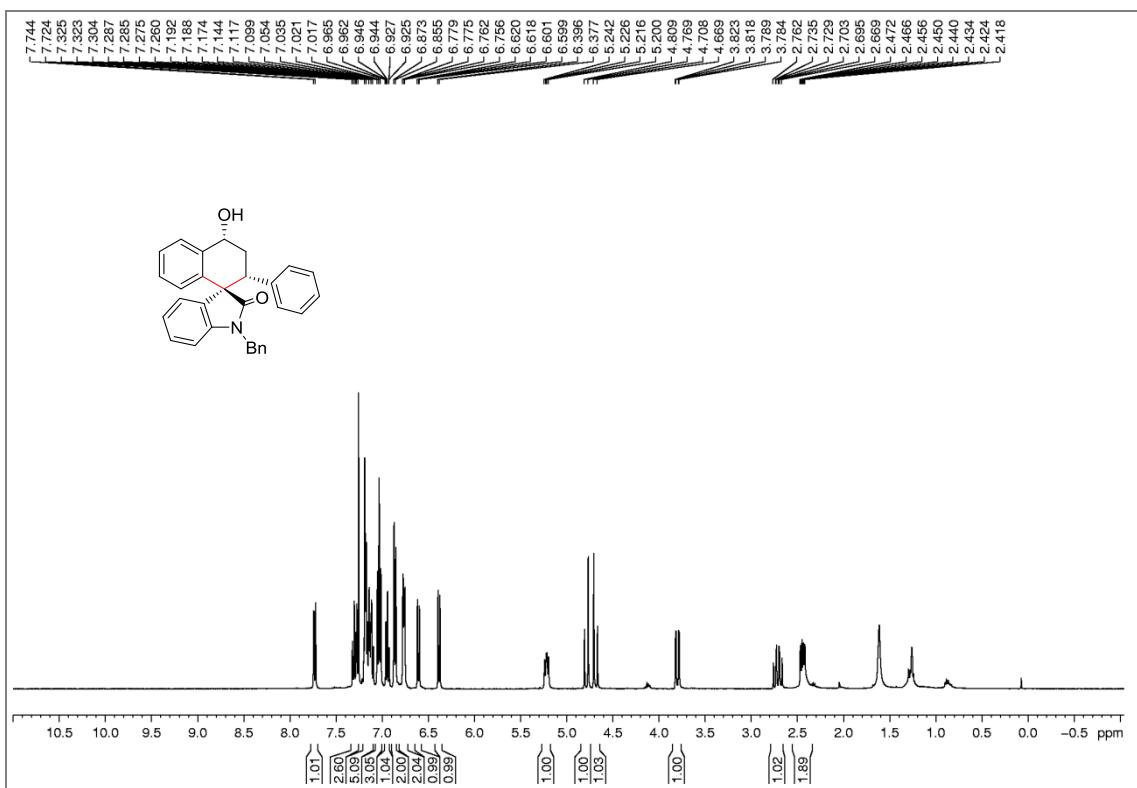


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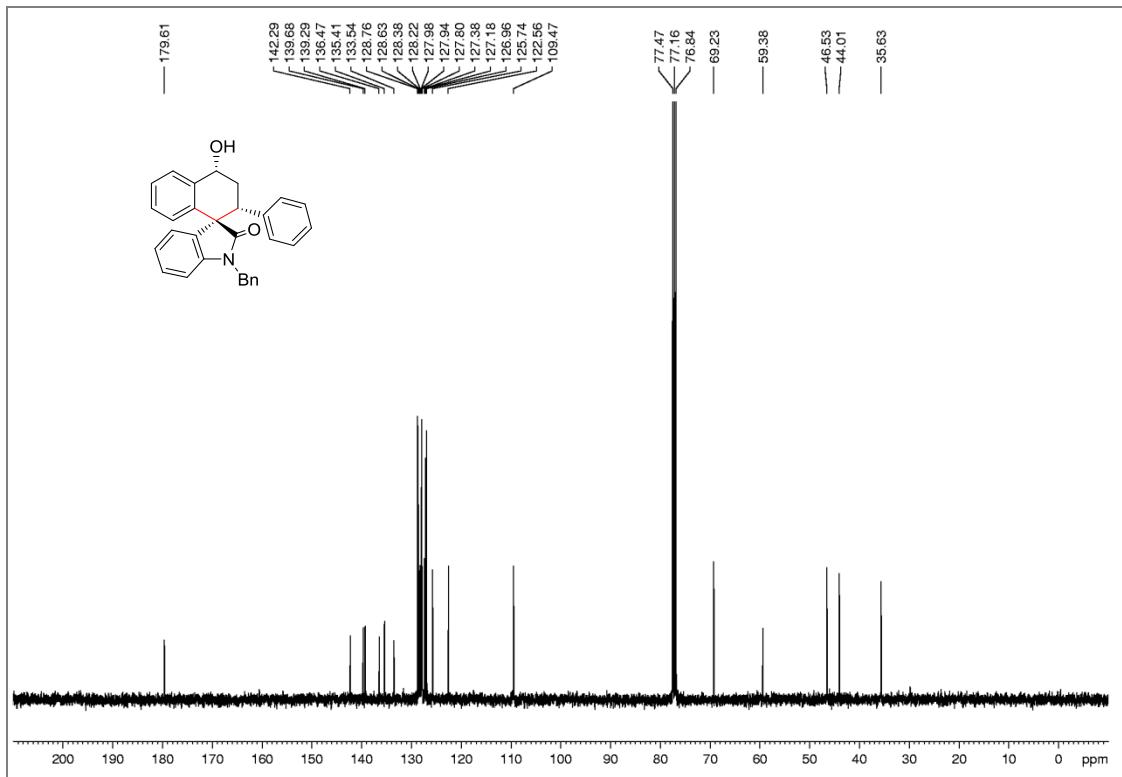


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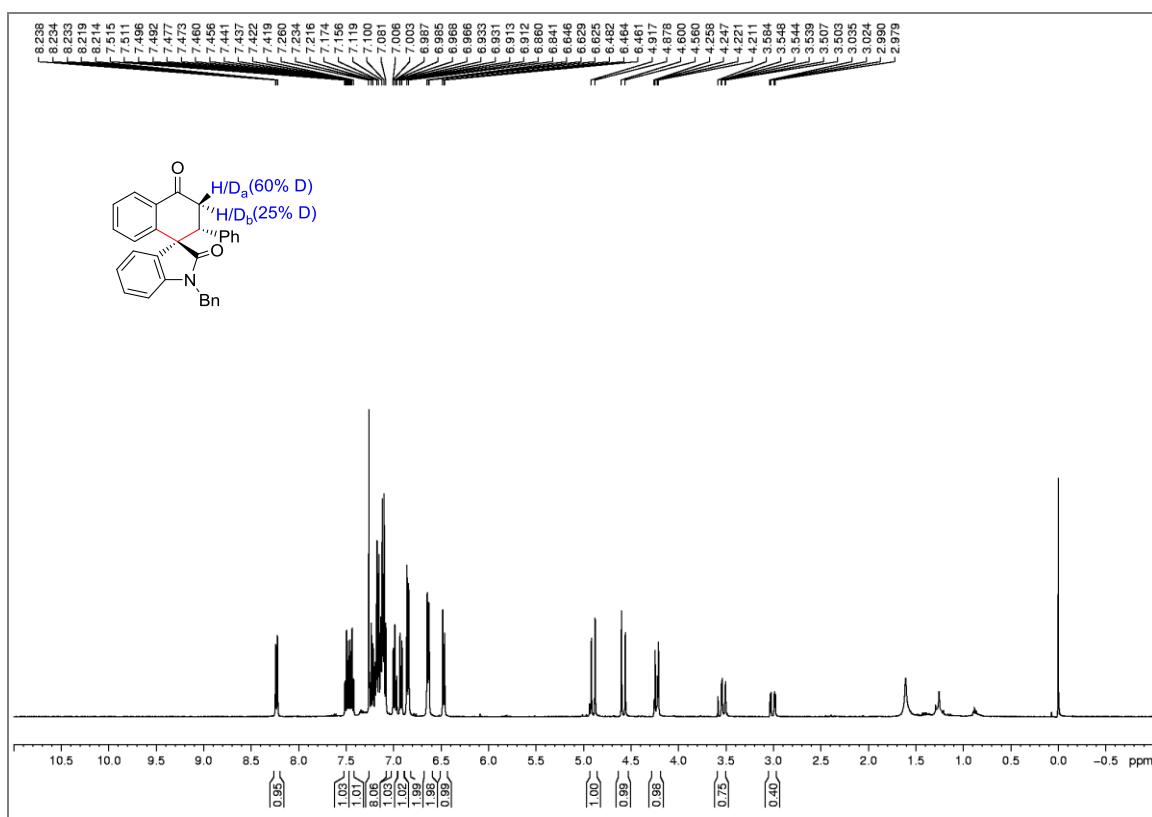


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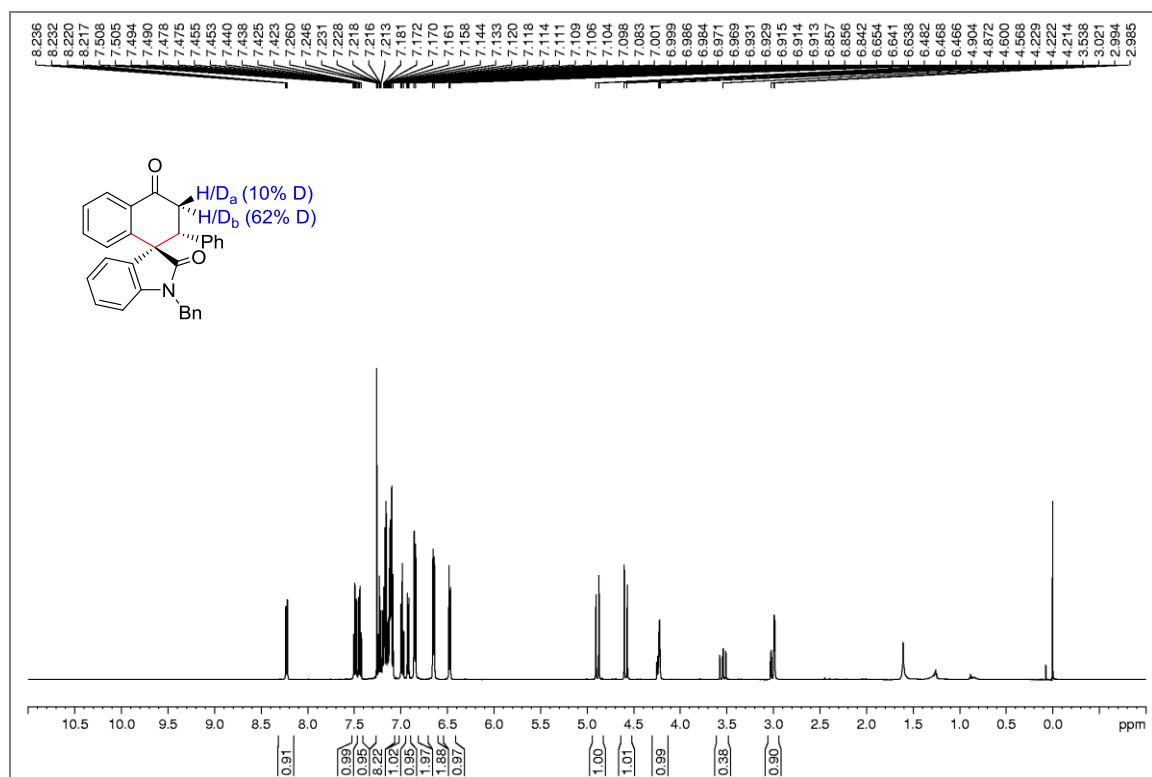


Figure 72: 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of **11** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

## 11. Single crystal XRD data

### XRD Data for Compound 3b (CCDC No. 1558658)

#### checkCIF/PLATON report

Structure factors have been supplied for datablock(s) spiro

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#### Datablock: spiro

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Bond precision: C-C = 0.0067 Å                          Wavelength=0.71073

Cell:                a=10.9070(3)                b=11.8602(3)                c=12.5989(3)  
                      alpha=114.5329(10) beta=105.8396(10) gamma=100.6194(10)

Temperature: 296 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	1341.35(6)	1341.35(6)
Space group	P -1	P -1
Hall group	-P 1	-P 1
Moiety formula	C30 H23 N O2, C H Cl3	?
Sum formula	C31 H24 Cl3 N O2	C31 H24 Cl3 N O2
Mr	548.86	548.86
Dx, g cm-3	1.359	1.359
Z	2	2
Mu (mm-1)	0.371	0.371
F000	568.0	568.0
F000'	569.09	
h,k,lmax	12,14,14	12,14,14
Nref	4716	4715
Tmin, Tmax	0.911, 0.942	0.913, 0.943
Tmin'	0.911	

Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.913 Tmax=0.943  
AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN

Data completeness= 1.000                          Theta(max)= 24.998

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S = 0.941                          Npar= 334

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● **Alert level C**

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PLAT340_ALERT_3_C Low Bond Precision on C-C Bonds .....	0.00673 Ang.
PLAT906_ALERT_3_C Large K value in the Analysis of Variance .....	2.244 Check
PLAT911_ALERT_3_C Missing # FCF Refl Between THmin & STh/L= 0.595	2 Report

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● **Alert level G**

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PLAT154_ALERT_1_G The s.u.'s on the Cell Angles are Equal ..(Note)	0.001 Degree
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G The Model has Chirality at C14 (Centro SPGR)	R Verify
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G The Model has Chirality at C15 (Centro SPGR)	R Verify
PLAT909_ALERT_3_G Percentage of Observed Data at Theta(Max) Still	51 % Note
PLAT978_ALERT_2_G Number C-C Bonds with Positive Residual Density.	11 Note

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0 **ALERT level A** = Most likely a serious problem - resolve or explain

0 **ALERT level B** = A potentially serious problem, consider carefully

4 **ALERT level C** = Check. Ensure it is not caused by an omission or oversight

6 **ALERT level G** = General information/check it is not something unexpected

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2 ALERT type 1 CIF construction/syntax error, inconsistent or missing data

1 ALERT type 2 Indicator that the structure model may be wrong or deficient

4 ALERT type 3 Indicator that the structure quality may be low

3 ALERT type 4 Improvement, methodology, query or suggestion

0 ALERT type 5 Informative message, check

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## XRD Data for Compound 3b' (CCDC No. 1558659)

### checkCIF/PLATON report

Structure factors have been supplied for datablock(s) spiro

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### Datablock: spiro

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Bond precision: C-C = 0.0023 Å                          Wavelength=0.71073

Cell:                        a=9.0802 (3)                b=9.9498 (4)                c=24.9306 (9)  
                              alpha=90                        beta=98.8194 (13)                gamma=90

Temperature:              296 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	2225.75 (14)	2225.75 (14)
Space group	P 21/n	P 21/n
Hall group	-P 2yn	-P 2yn
Moiety formula	C30 H23 N O2	?
Sum formula	C30 H23 N O2	C30 H23 N O2
Mr	429.49	429.49
Dx, g cm-3	1.282	1.282
Z	4	4
Mu (mm-1)	0.080	0.080
F000	904.0	904.0
F000'	904.38	
h,k,lmax	10,11,29	10,11,29
Nref	3900	3899
Tmin,Tmax	0.980,0.992	
Tmin'	0.980	

Correction method= Not given

Data completeness= 1.000                          Theta (max)= 24.998

R(reflections)= 0.0360 ( 2979)                          wR2(reflections)= 0.0997 ( 3899)

S = 1.006                          Npar= 299

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● **Alert level G**

PLAT793_ALERT_4_G The Model has Chirality at C9	(Centro SPGR)	R Verify
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G The Model has Chirality at C10	(Centro SPGR)	S Verify
PLAT909_ALERT_3_G Percentage of Observed Data at Theta(Max) Still		50 % Note
PLAT978_ALERT_2_G Number C-C Bonds with Positive Residual Density.		3 Note

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0 **ALERT level C** = Check. Ensure it is not caused by an omission or oversight  
4 **ALERT level G** = General information/check it is not something unexpected

0 ALERT type 1 CIF construction/syntax error, inconsistent or missing data  
1 ALERT type 2 Indicator that the structure model may be wrong or deficient  
1 ALERT type 3 Indicator that the structure quality may be low  
2 ALERT type 4 Improvement, methodology, query or suggestion  
0 ALERT type 5 Informative message, check

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## XRD Data for Compound 3x (CCDC No. 1558660)

### checkCIF/PLATON report

Structure factors have been supplied for datablock(s) dioxy

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No syntax errors found. CIF dictionary Interpreting this report

### Datablock: dioxy

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Bond precision: C-C = 0.0030 Å Wavelength=0.71073

Cell: a=9.3618(4) b=10.5515(5) c=24.1467(11)  
alpha=90 beta=96.2562(19) gamma=90

Temperature: 296 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	2371.03(19)	2371.03(19)
Space group	P 21/c	P 21/c
Hall group	-P 2ybc	-P 2ybc
Moiety formula	C31 H23 N O4	C31 H23 N O4
Sum formula	C31 H23 N O4	C31 H23 N O4
Mr	473.50	473.50
Dx, g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.327	1.326
Z	4	4
Mu (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.088	0.088
F000	992.0	992.0
F000'	992.47	
h, k, lmax	11, 12, 28	11, 12, 28
Nref	4184	4181
Tmin, Tmax	0.976, 0.986	0.976, 0.986
Tmin'	0.976	

Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.976 Tmax=0.986  
AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN

Data completeness= 0.999 Theta(max)= 24.999

R(reflections)= 0.0454( 3397) wR2(reflections)= 0.1175( 4181)

S = 1.073 Npar= 325

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The following ALERTS were generated. Each ALERT has the format  
**test-name\_ALERT\_alert-type\_alert-level**.  
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● **Alert level C**

PLAT220_ALERT_2_C Non-Solvent Resd 1 C Ueq(max)/Ueq(min) Range	3.6 Ratio
PLAT241_ALERT_2_C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of O1	Check
PLAT241_ALERT_2_C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C28	Check
PLAT242_ALERT_2_C Low 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C26	Check
PLAT906_ALERT_3_C Large K value in the Analysis of Variance .....	3.150 Check
PLAT911_ALERT_3_C Missing # FCF Refl Between THmin & STh/L= 0.595	3 Report

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● **Alert level G**

PLAT066_ALERT_1_G Predicted and Reported Tmin&Tmax Range Identical	? Check
PLAT398_ALERT_2_G Deviating C-O-C Angle from 120 Deg for O1	106.8 Degree
PLAT398_ALERT_2_G Deviating C-O-C Angle from 120 Deg for O2	105.9 Degree
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G The Model has Chirality at C10 (Centro SPGR)	R Verify
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G The Model has Chirality at C11 (Centro SPGR)	R Verify
PLAT909_ALERT_3_G Percentage of Observed Data at Theta(Max) Still	56 % Note
PLAT978_ALERT_2_G Number C-C Bonds with Positive Residual Density.	9 Note

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## XRD Data for Compound 7a (CCDC No. 1558661)

### checkCIF/PLATON report

Structure factors have been supplied for datablock(s) acenap

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No syntax errors found. CIF dictionary Interpreting this report

### Datablock: acenap

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Bond precision: C-C = 0.0049 Å Wavelength=0.71073  
Cell: a=8.7392(3) b=10.6106(3) c=11.8953(4)  
alpha=73.1183(16) beta=78.1739(17) gamma=66.4494(15)  
Temperature: 296 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	962.60(6)	962.60(6)
Space group	P -1	P -1
Hall group	-P 1	-P 1
Moiety formula	C27 H18 O2	?
Sum formula	C27 H18 O2	C27 H18 O2
Mr	374.41	374.41
Dx, g cm-3	1.292	1.292
Z	2	2
Mu (mm-1)	0.080	0.080
F000	392.0	392.0
F000'	392.17	
h,k,lmax	10,12,14	10,12,14
Nref	3394	3281
Tmin, Tmax	0.977, 0.987	0.975, 0.987
Tmin'	0.975	

Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.975 Tmax=0.987  
AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN

Data completeness= 0.967 Theta(max) = 24.996  
R(reflections) = 0.0706( 2529) wR2(reflections) = 0.2232( 3281)  
S = 1.071 Npar= 262

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The following ALERTS were generated. Each ALERT has the format  
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🟡 Alert level B  
PLAT230\_ALERT\_2\_B Hirshfeld Test Diff for C6 -- C7 .. 7.3 s.u.

**Author Response:** This alarm is due to the elongated ADPs of carbon atoms which suggest that these are having high thermal motion. In particular, carbon atoms C6,C7,C8,C10 and C11 in the acenaphthylene moiety may be disordered. The crystal data was collected in room temp.

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🟡 Alert level C  
DIFMX02\_ALERT\_1\_C The maximum difference density is > 0.1\*ZMAX\*0.75  
The relevant atom site should be identified.  
PLAT029\_ALERT\_3\_C \_diffrrn\_measured\_fraction\_theta\_full value Low . 0.967 Note  
PLAT094\_ALERT\_2\_C Ratio of Maximum / Minimum Residual Density .... 2.91 Report  
PLAT097\_ALERT\_2\_C Large Reported Max. (Positive) Residual Density 0.73 eA-3  
PLAT230\_ALERT\_2\_C Hirshfeld Test Diff for O1 -- C1 .. 5.5 s.u.

**Author Response:** This alarm is due to the elongated ADPs of carbon atoms which suggest that these are having high thermal motion. In particular, carbon atoms C6,C7,C8,C10 and C11 in the acenaphthylene moiety may be disordered. The crystal data was collected in room temp.

PLAT230\_ALERT\_2\_C Hirshfeld Test Diff for C7 -- C8 .. 6.0 s.u.

**Author Response:** This alarm is due to the elongated ADPs of carbon atoms which suggest that these are having high thermal motion. In particular, carbon atoms C6,C7,C8,C10 and C11 in the acenaphthylene moiety may be disordered. The crystal data was collected in room temp.

PLAT230\_ALERT\_2\_C Hirshfeld Test Diff for C10 -- C11 .. 7.0 s.u.

**Author Response:** This alarm is due to the elongated ADPs of carbon atoms which suggest that these are having high thermal motion. In particular, carbon atoms C6,C7,C8,C10 and C11 in the acenaphthylene moiety may be disordered. The crystal data was collected in room temp.

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PLAT340\_ALERT\_3\_C Low Bond Precision on C-C Bonds ..... 0.00487 Ang.  
PLAT911\_ALERT\_3\_C Missing # FCF Refl Between THmin & STh/L= 0.595 113 Report

**12. Crystal structures of 3a and 3a'**

