

Supporting Information

Synthesis of Benzofuro- and Indolo[3,2-*b*]indoles via Palladium-Catalyzed Double *N*-Arylation and Their Physical Properties

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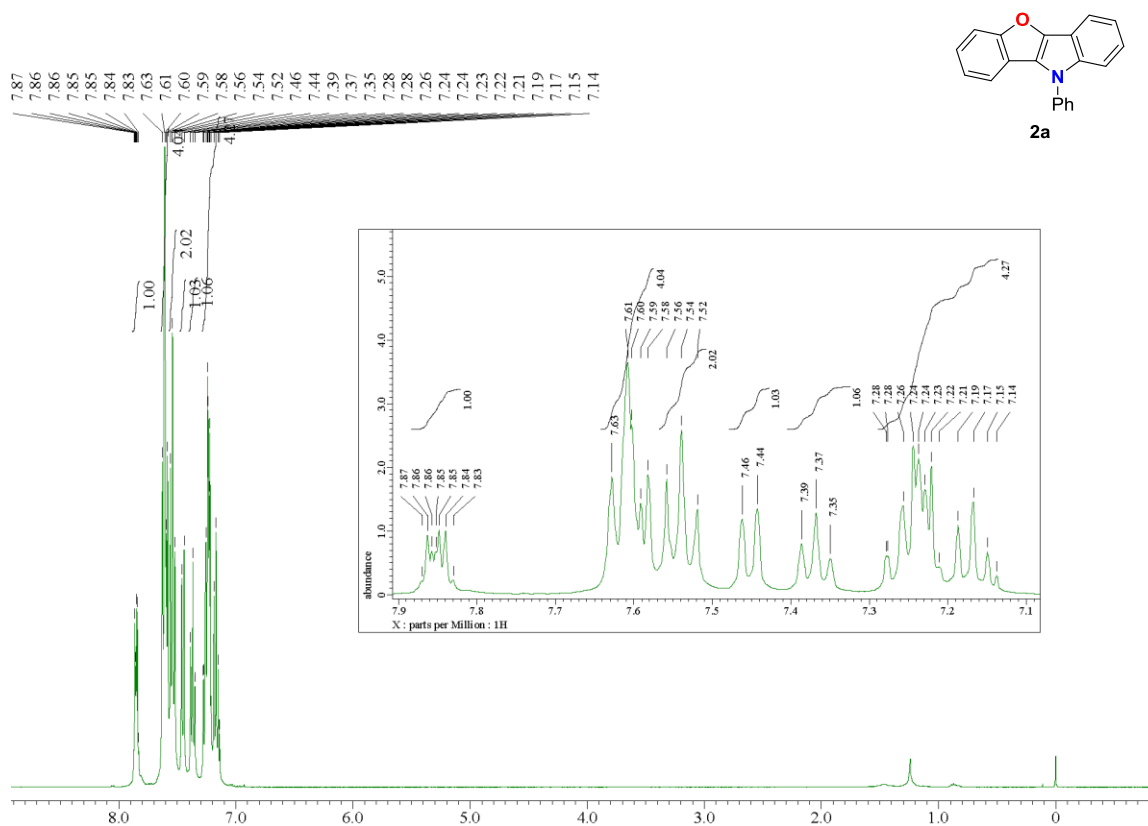


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of **2a** (CDCl₃).

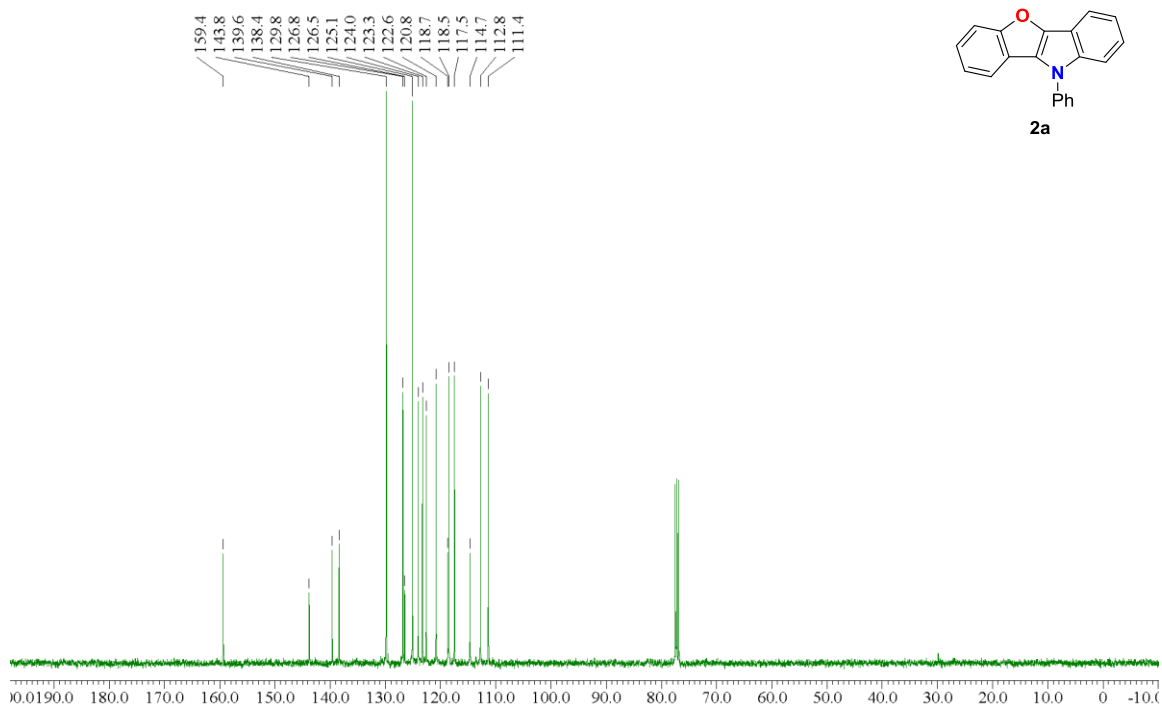
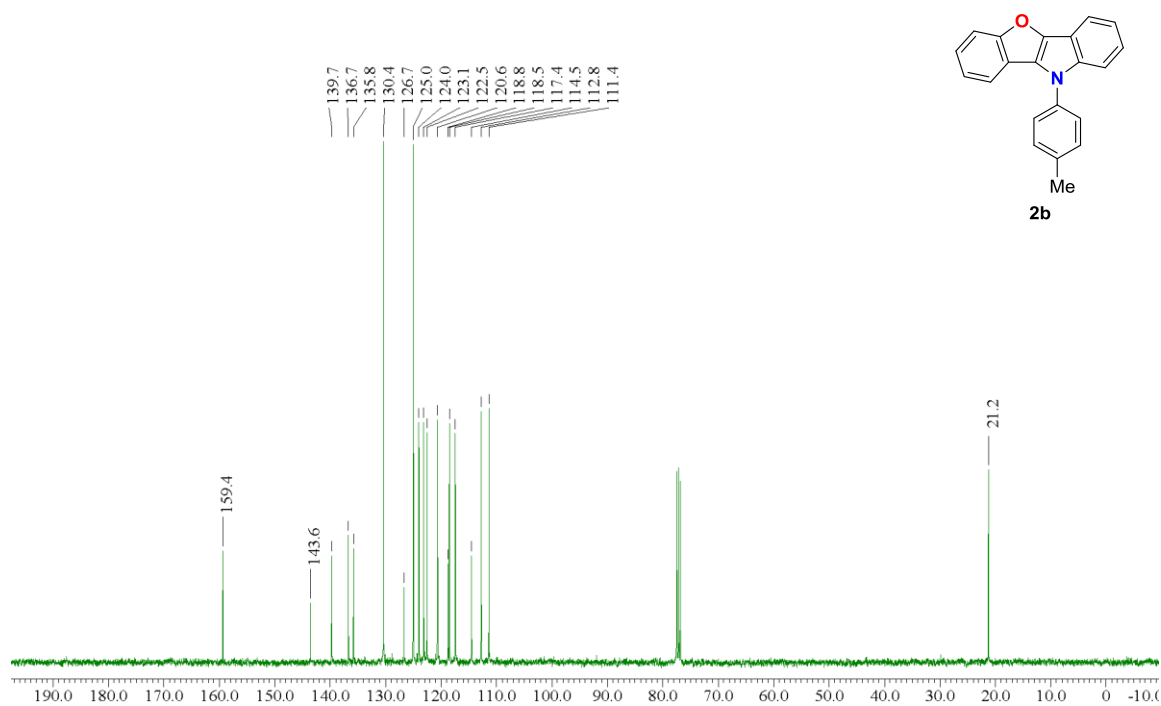
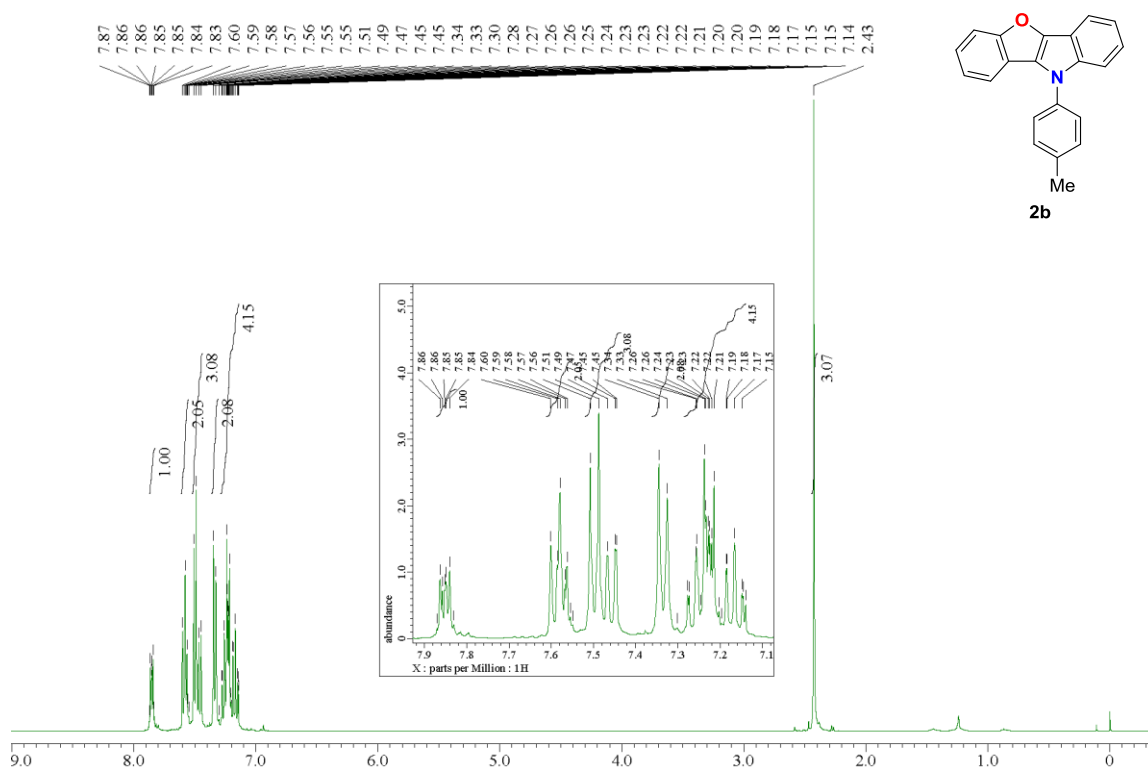


Figure S2. ¹³C NMR spectrum of **2a** (CDCl₃).



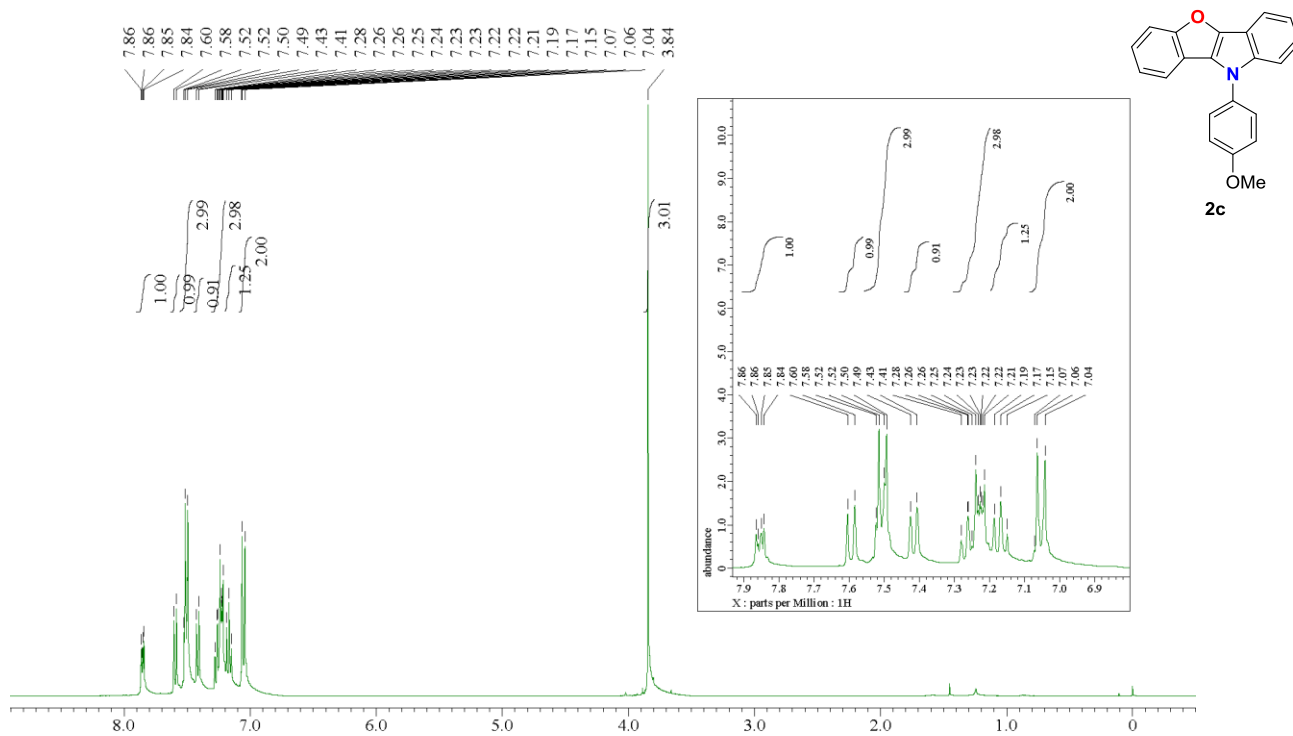


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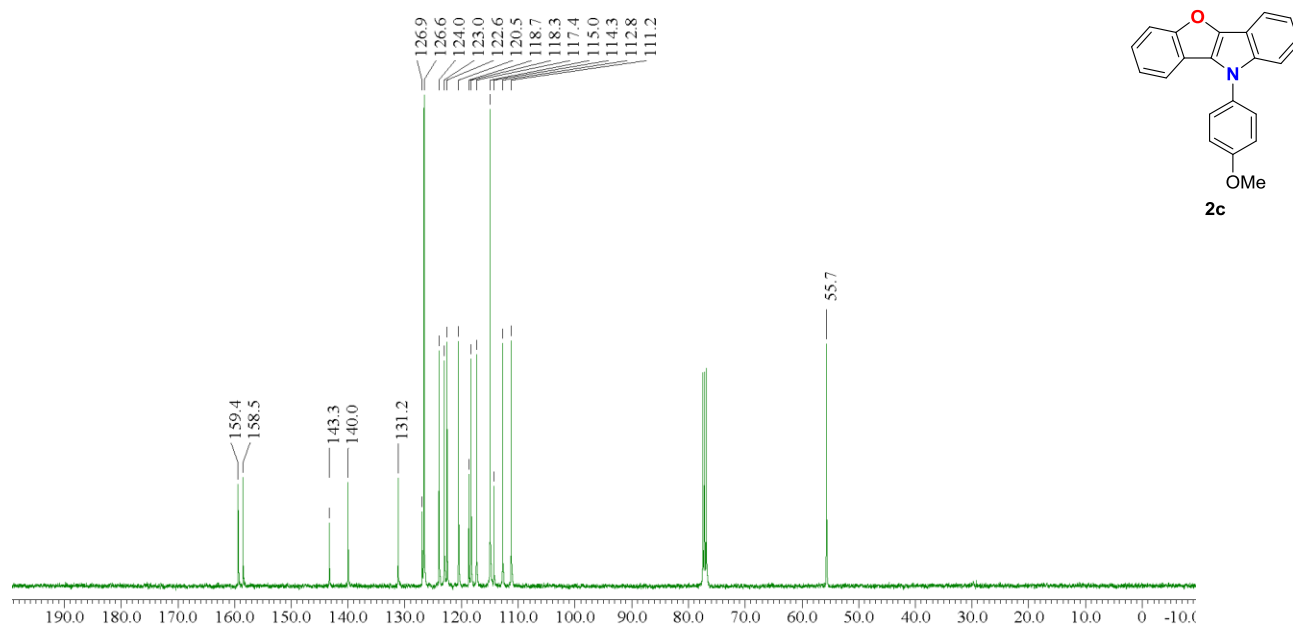
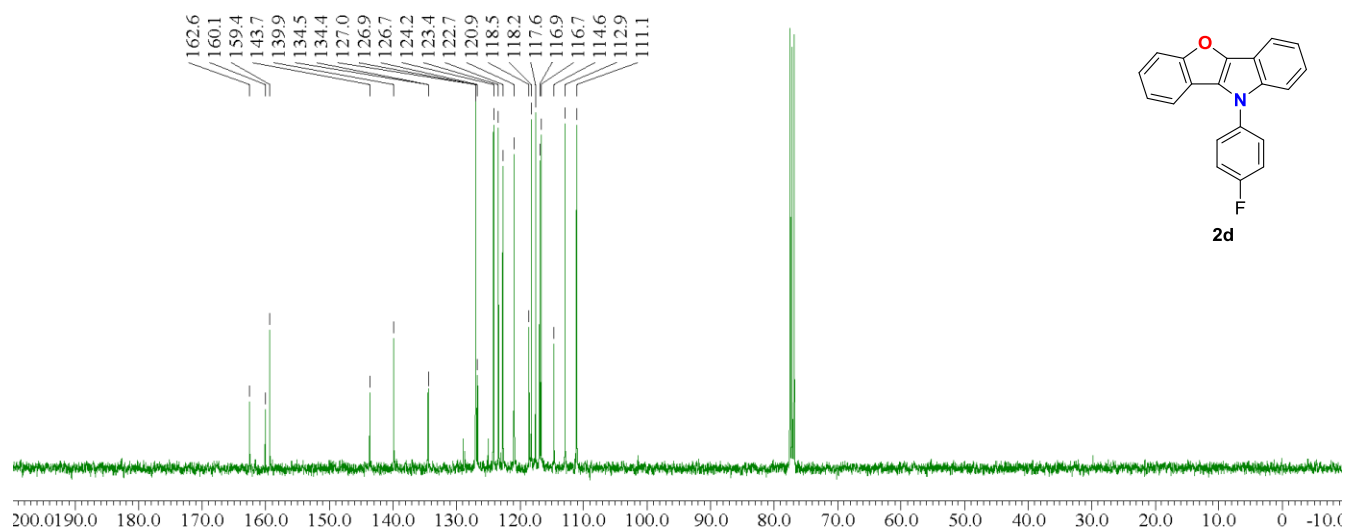
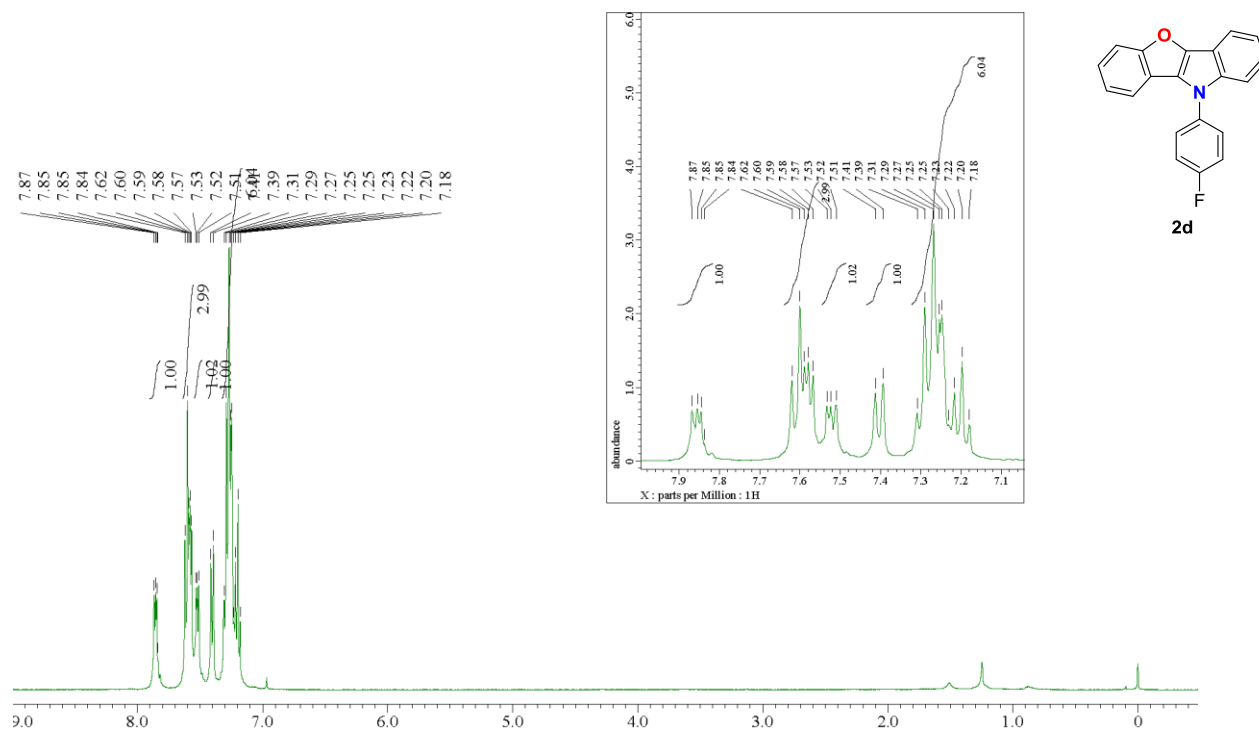


Figure S6. ¹³C NMR spectrum of **2c** (CDCl₃).



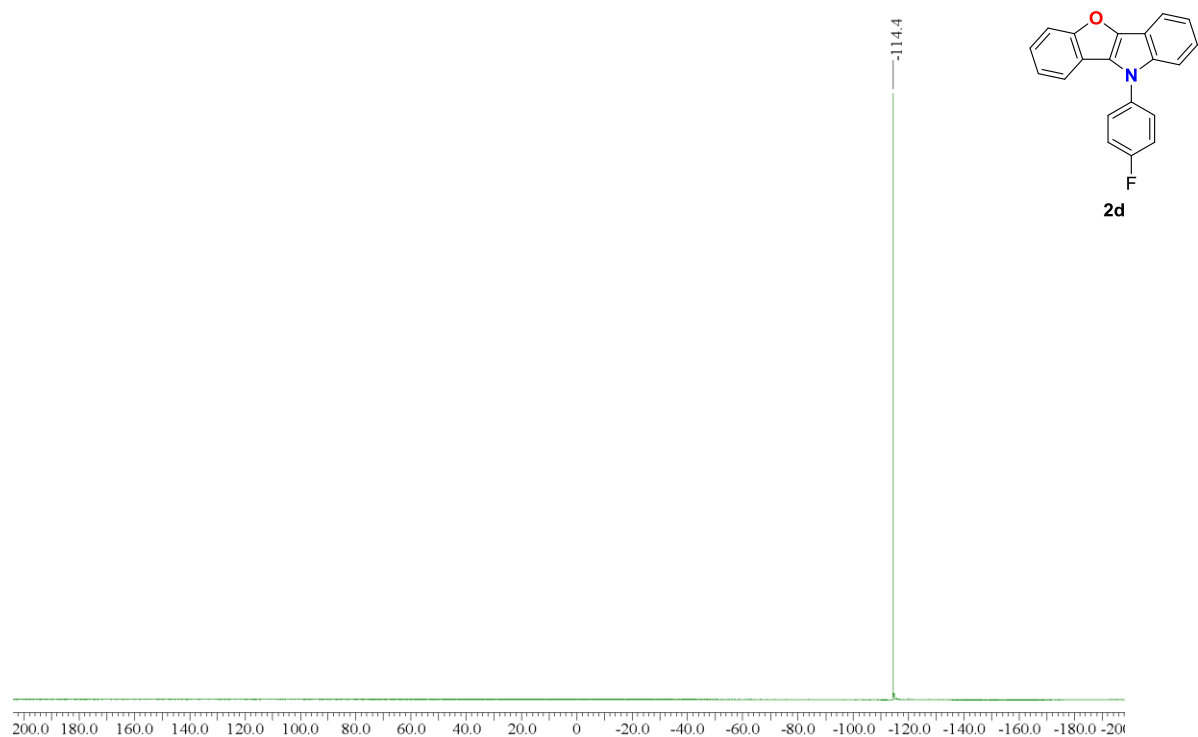


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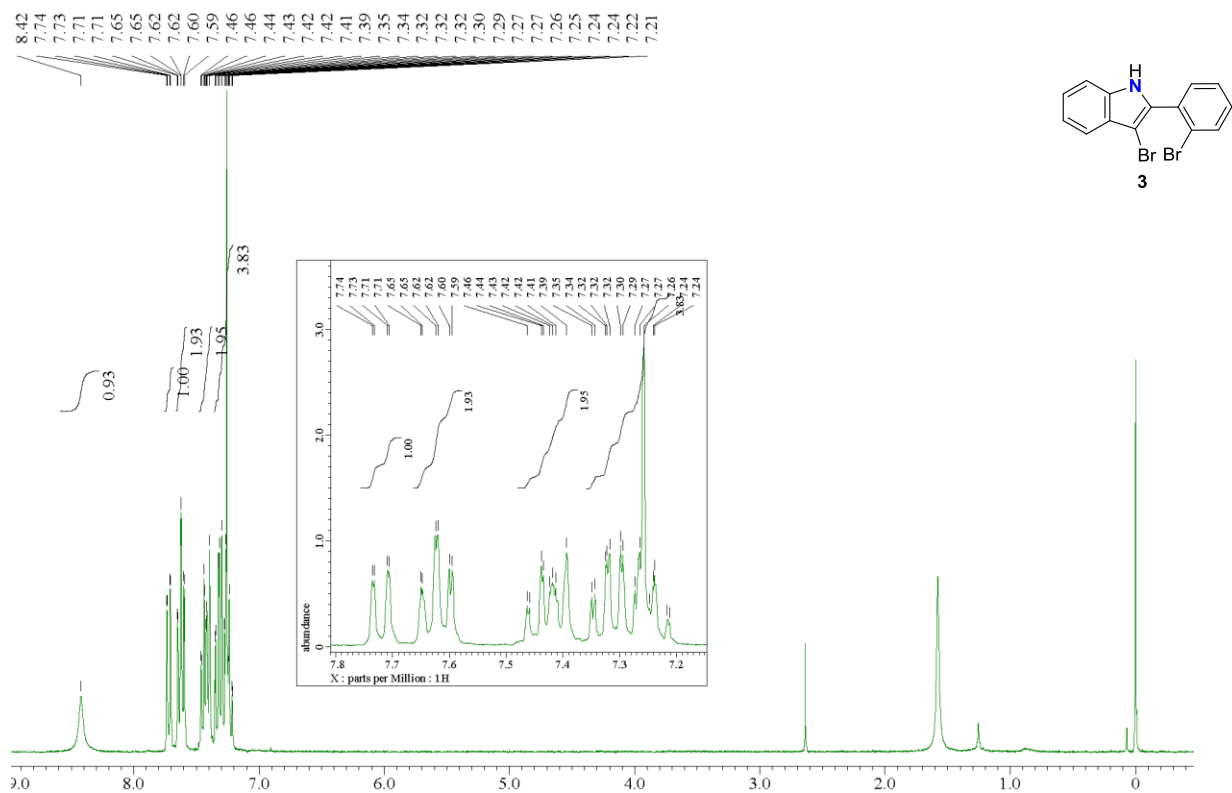


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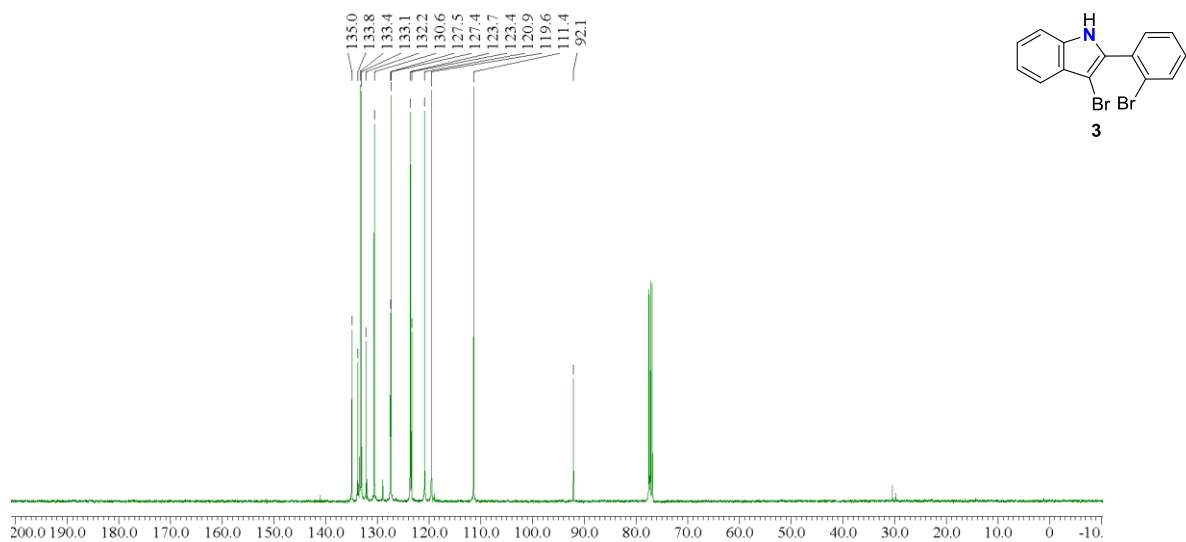


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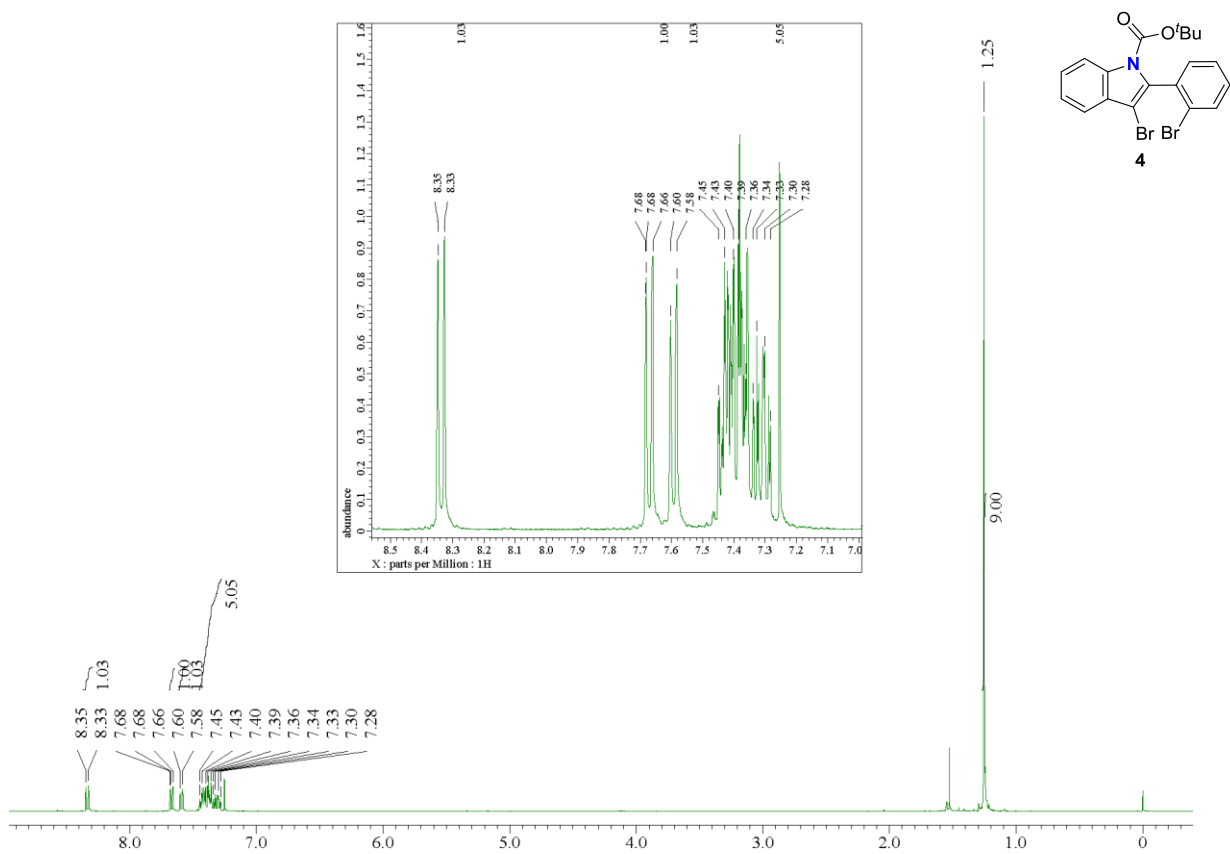


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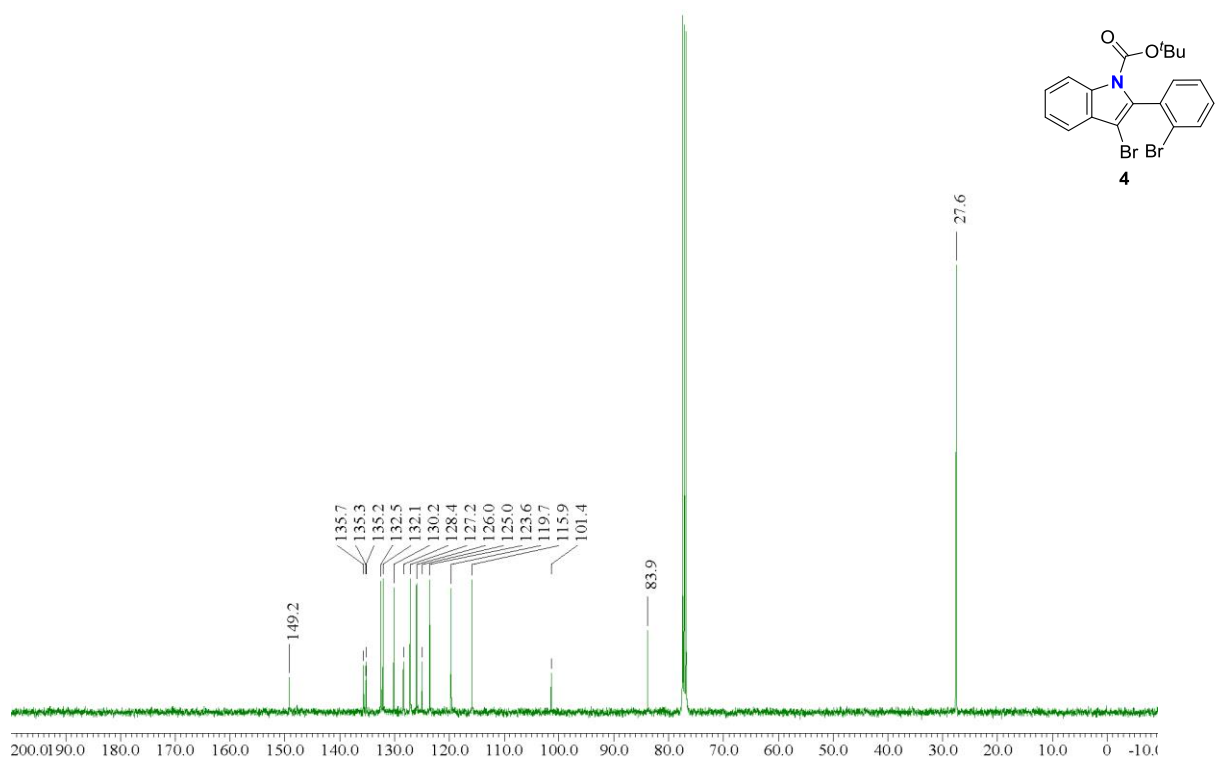


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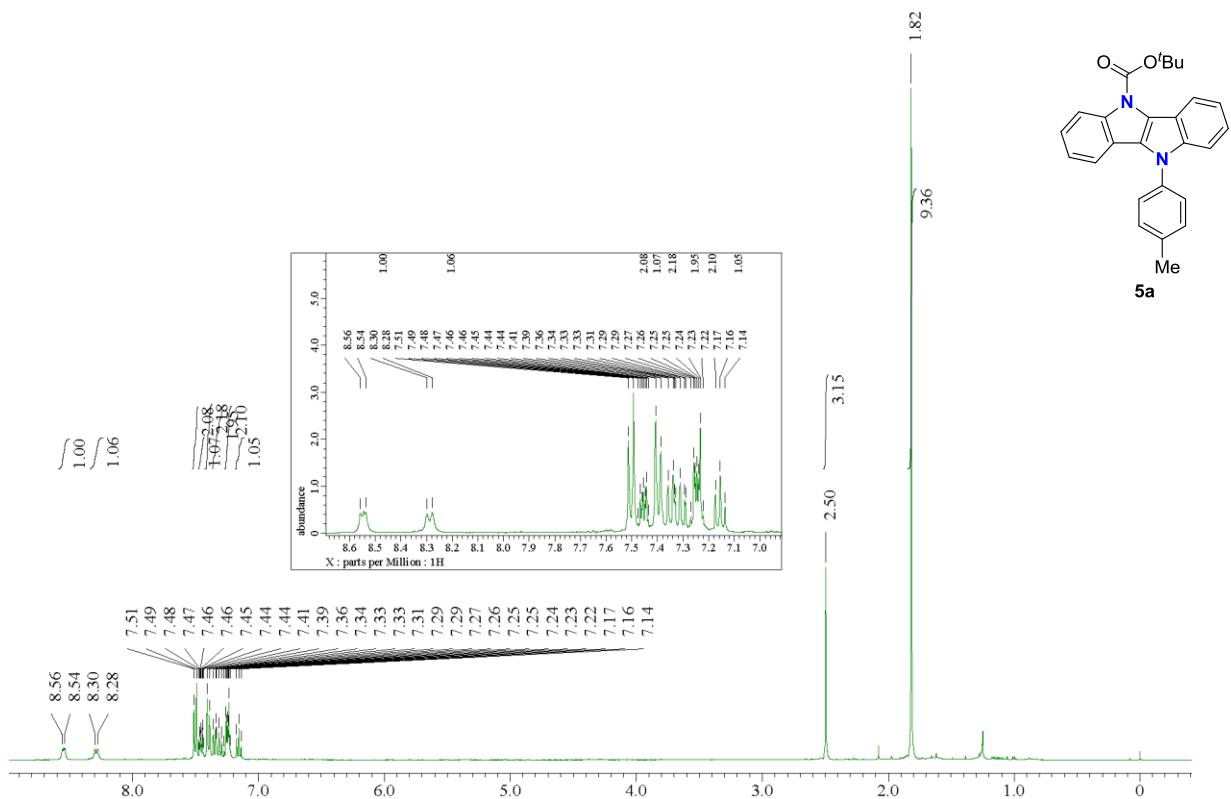
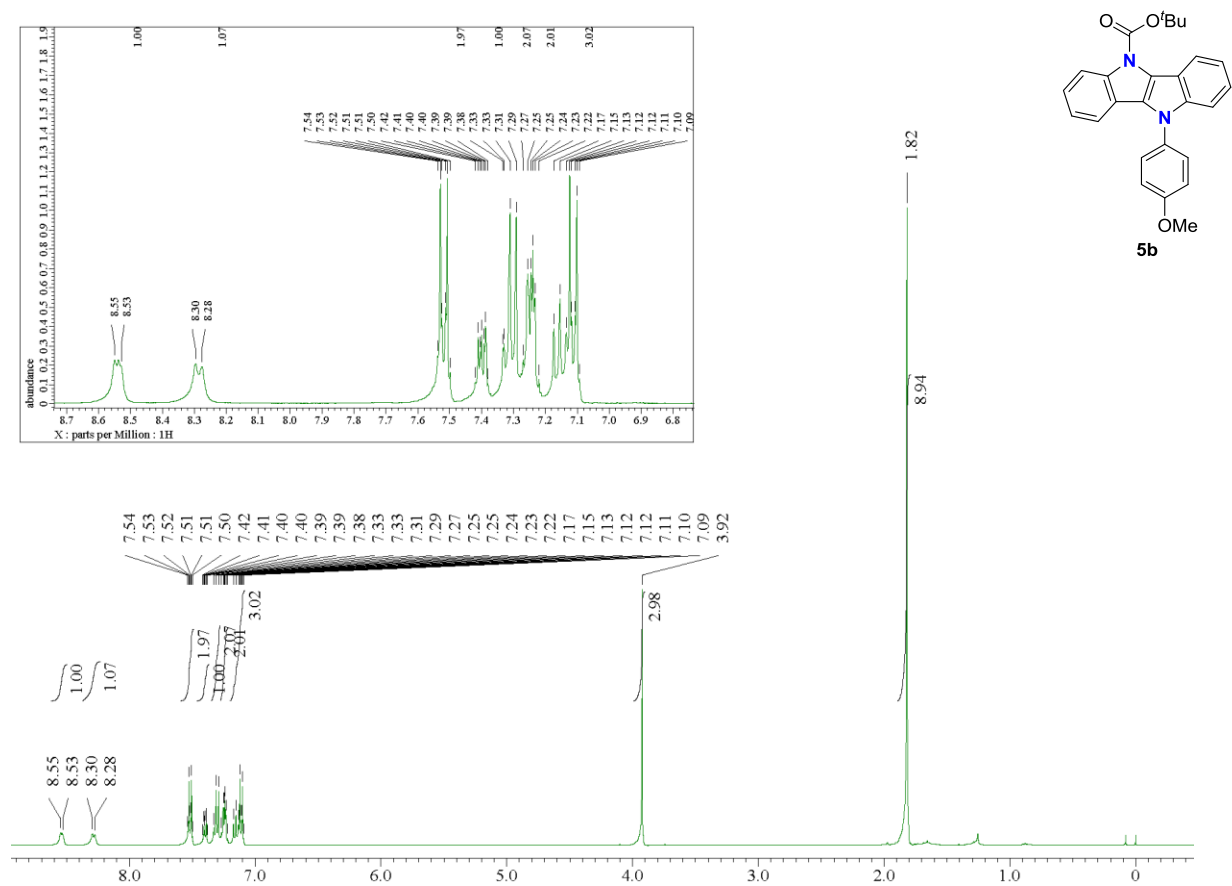
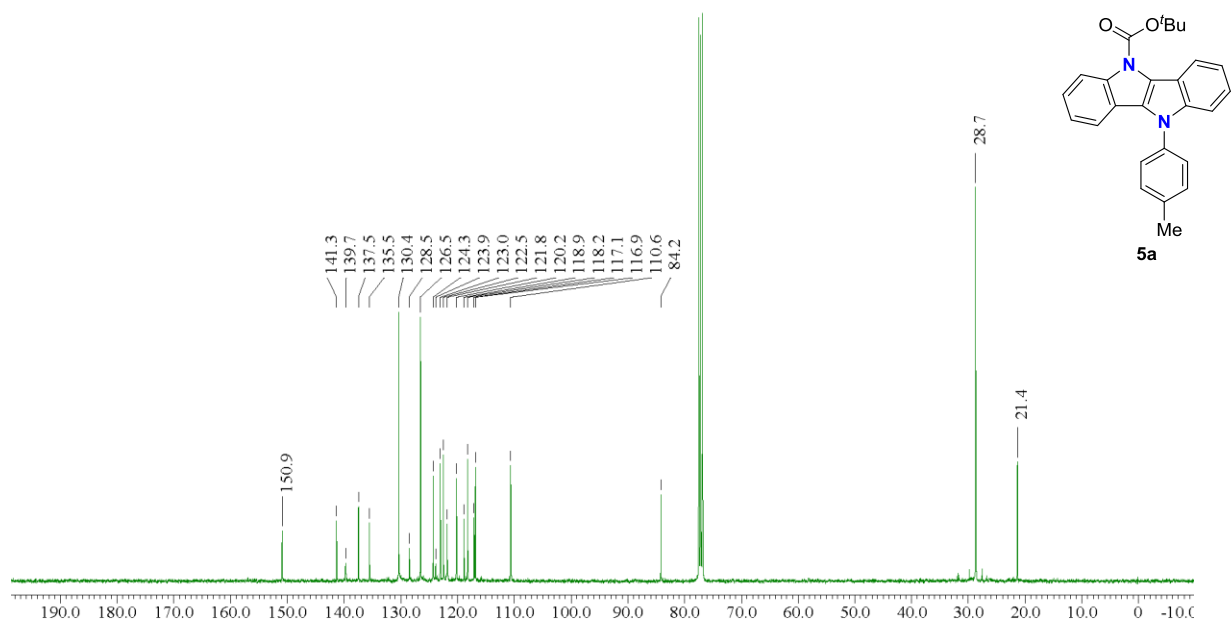


Figure S14. ¹H NMR spectrum of **5a** (CDCl₃).



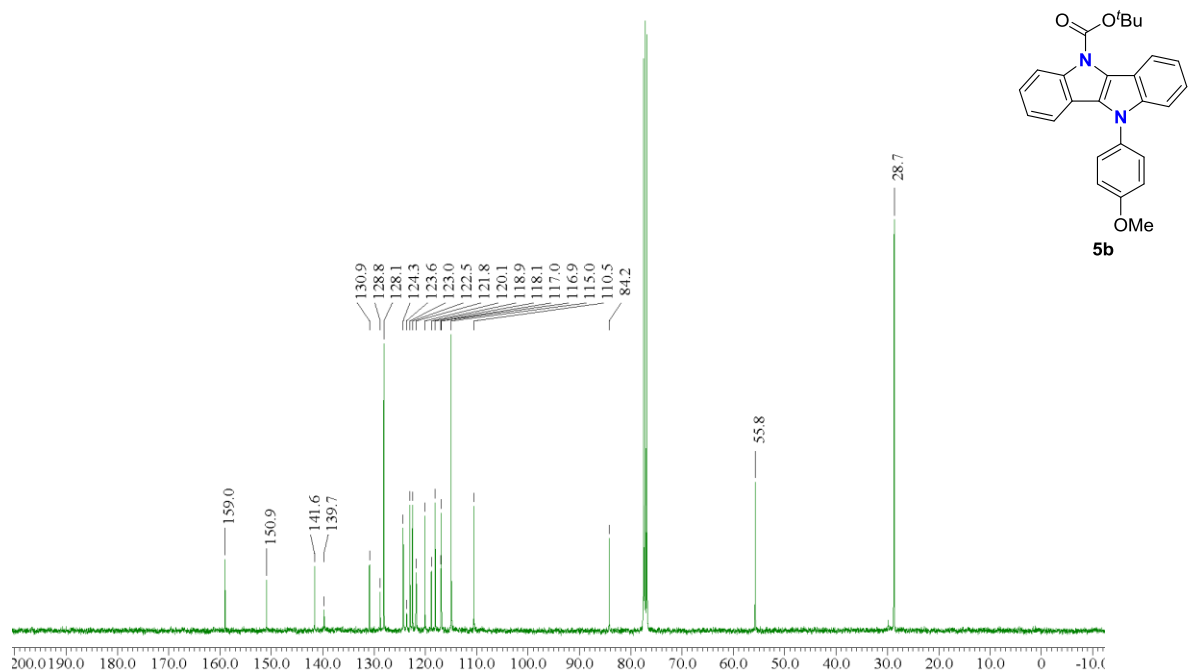


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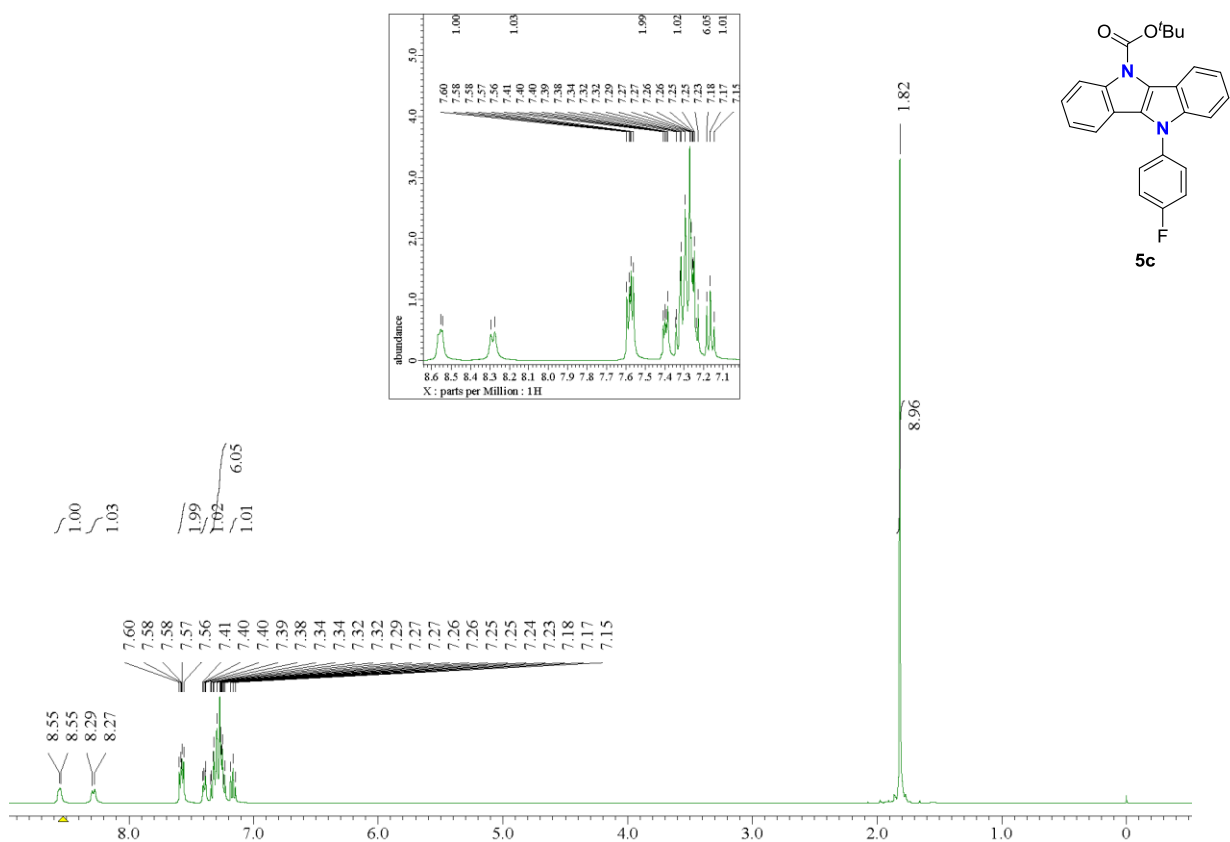
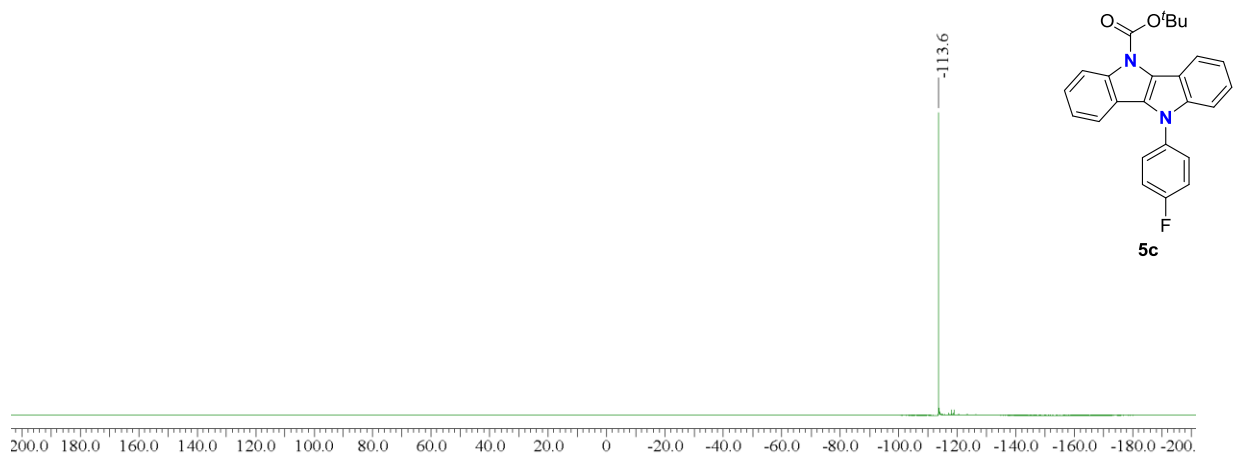
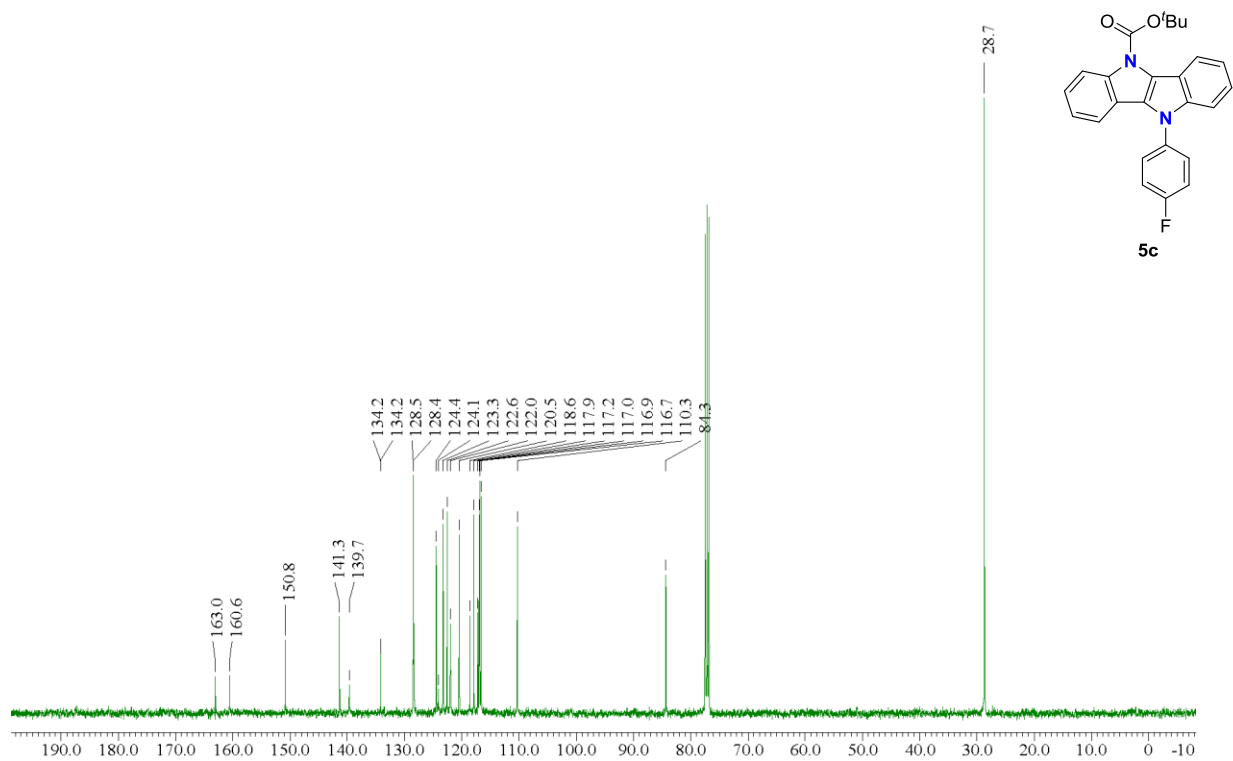


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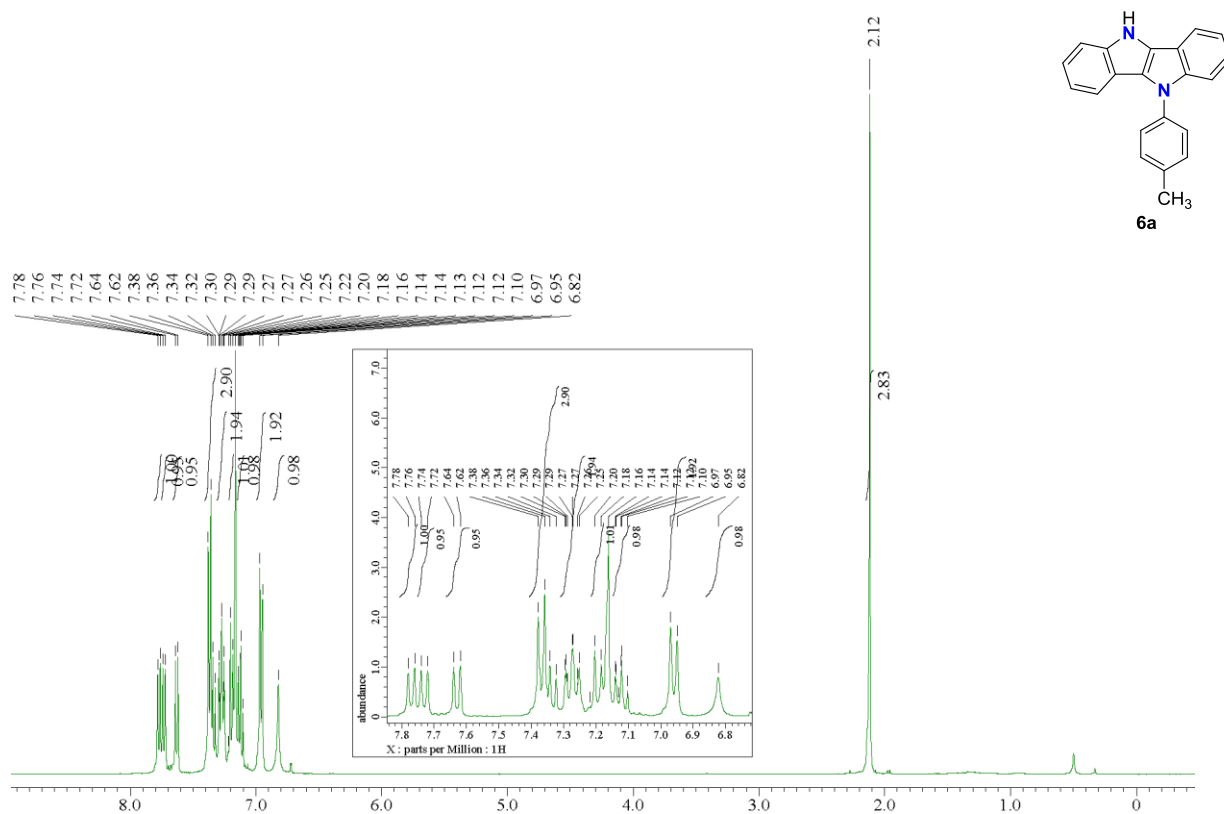


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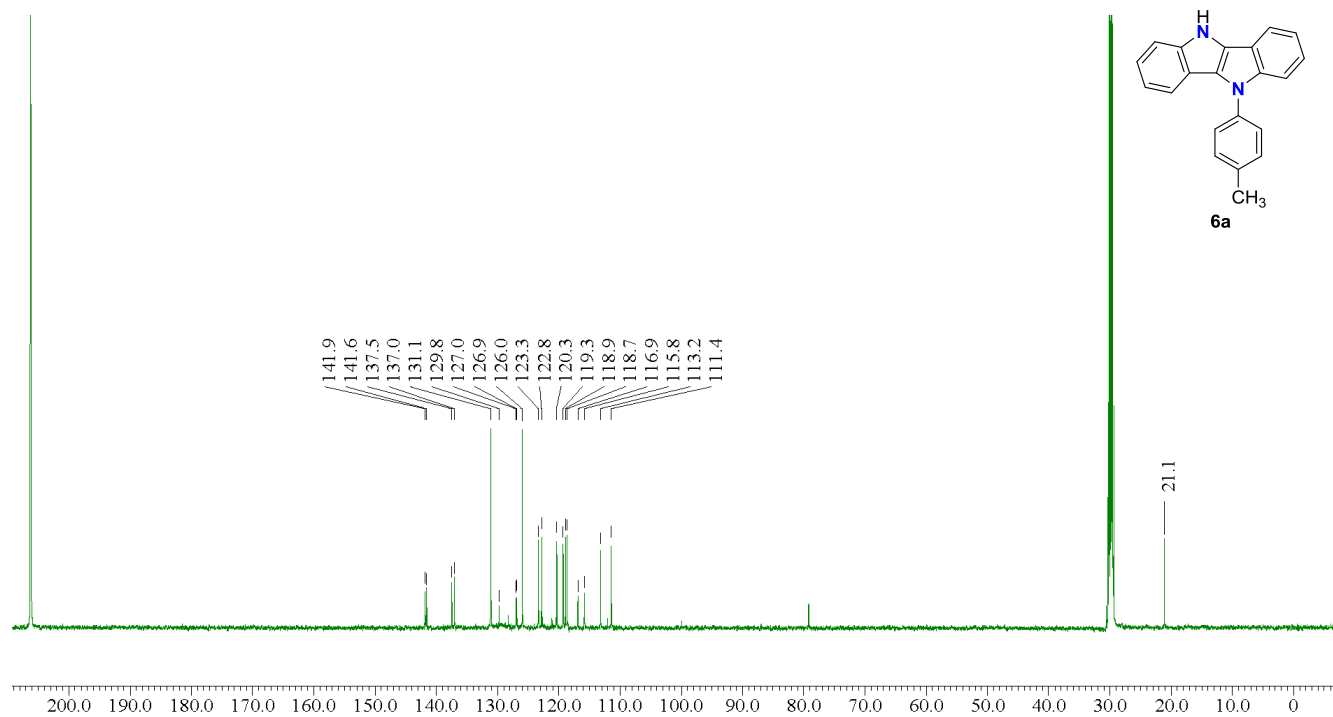


Figure S22. ¹³C NMR spectrum of **6a** (acetone-*d*₆).

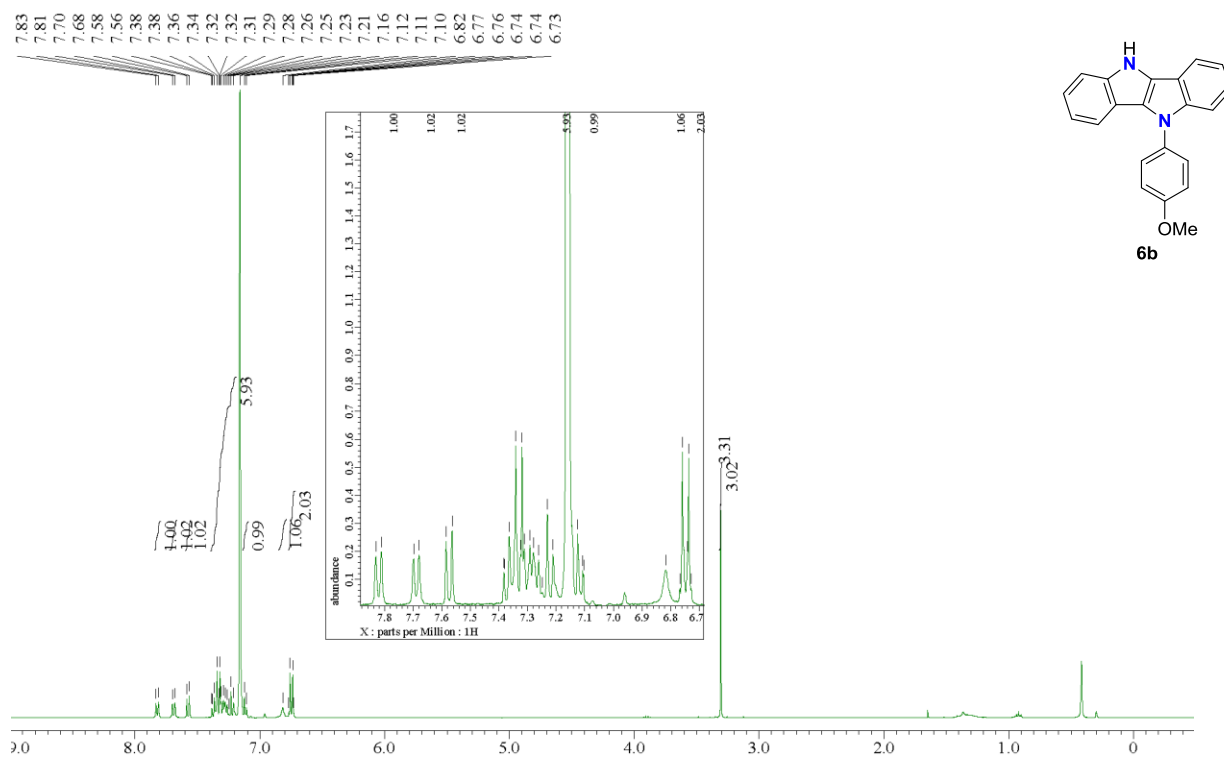


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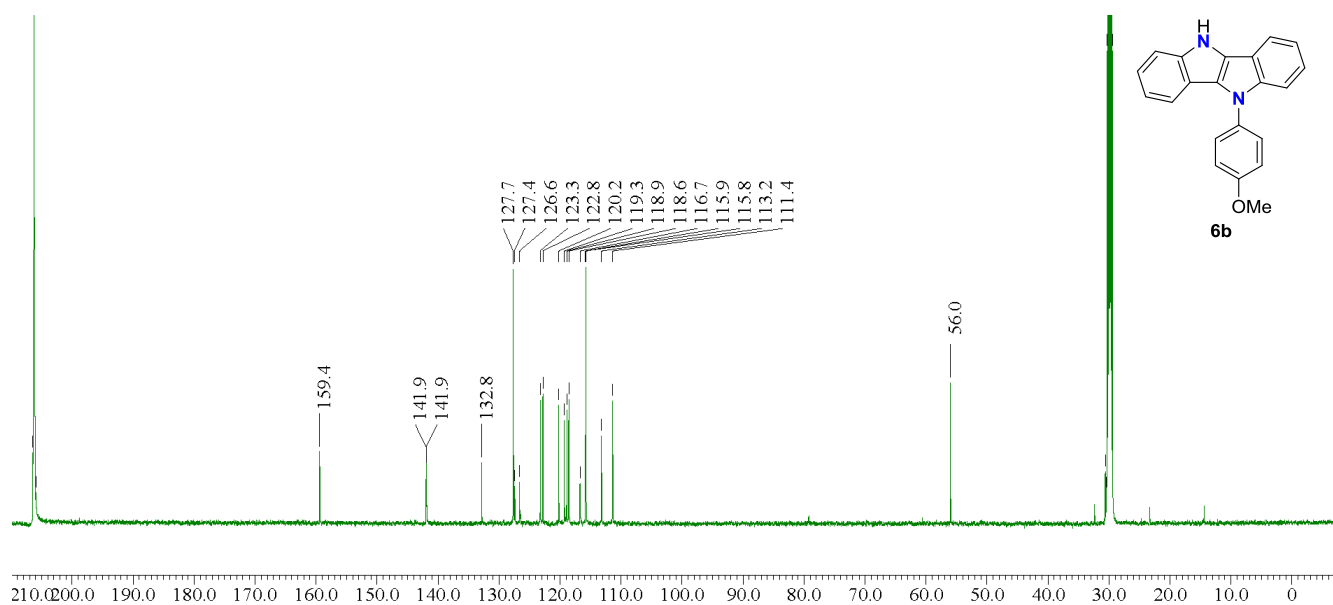
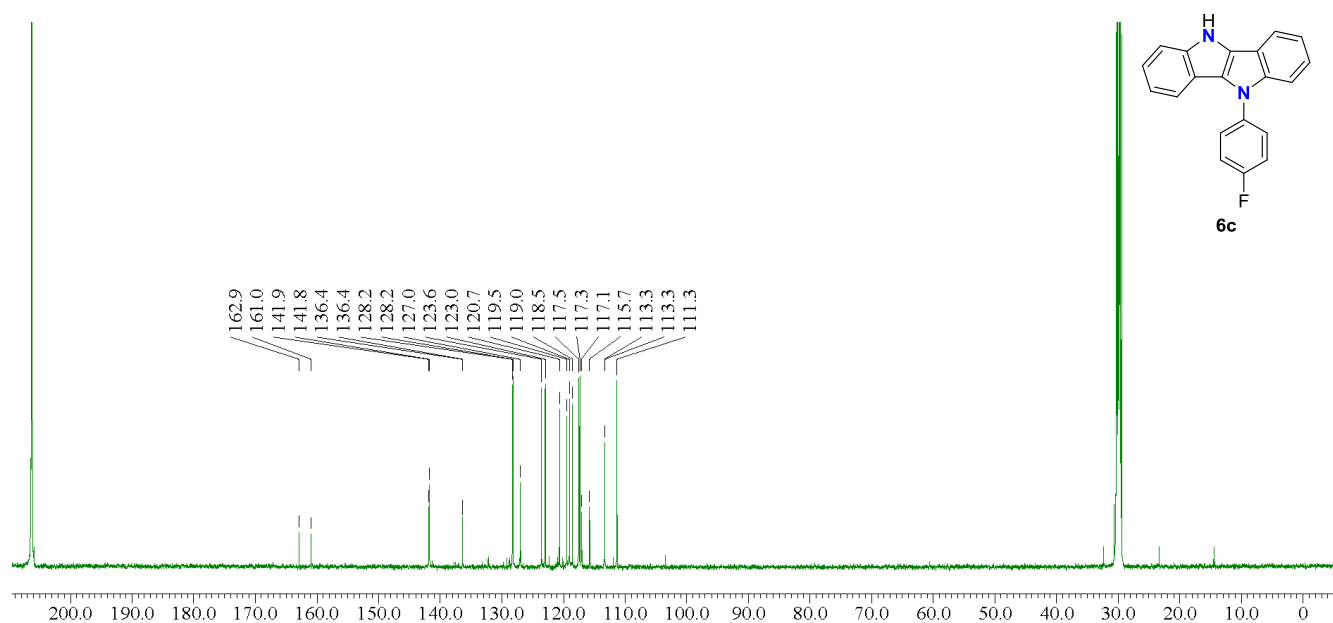
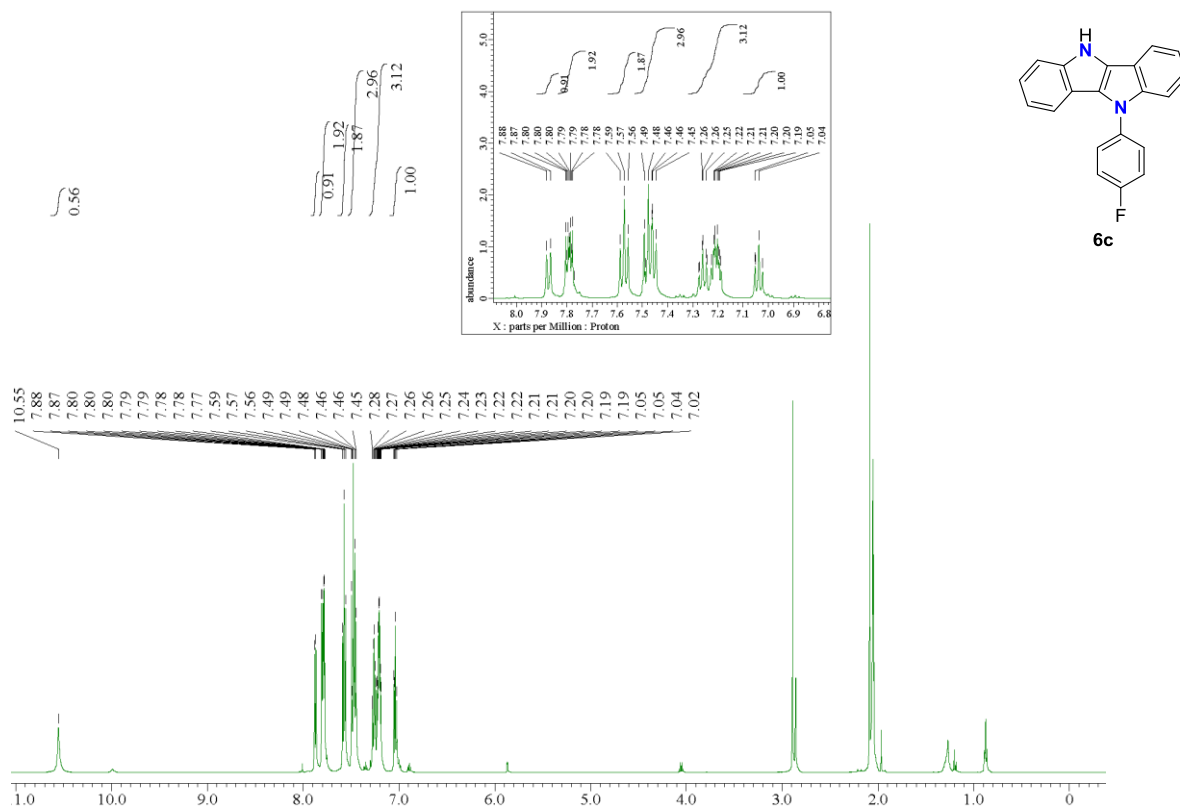


Figure S24. ¹³C NMR spectrum of **6b** (acetone-*d*₆).



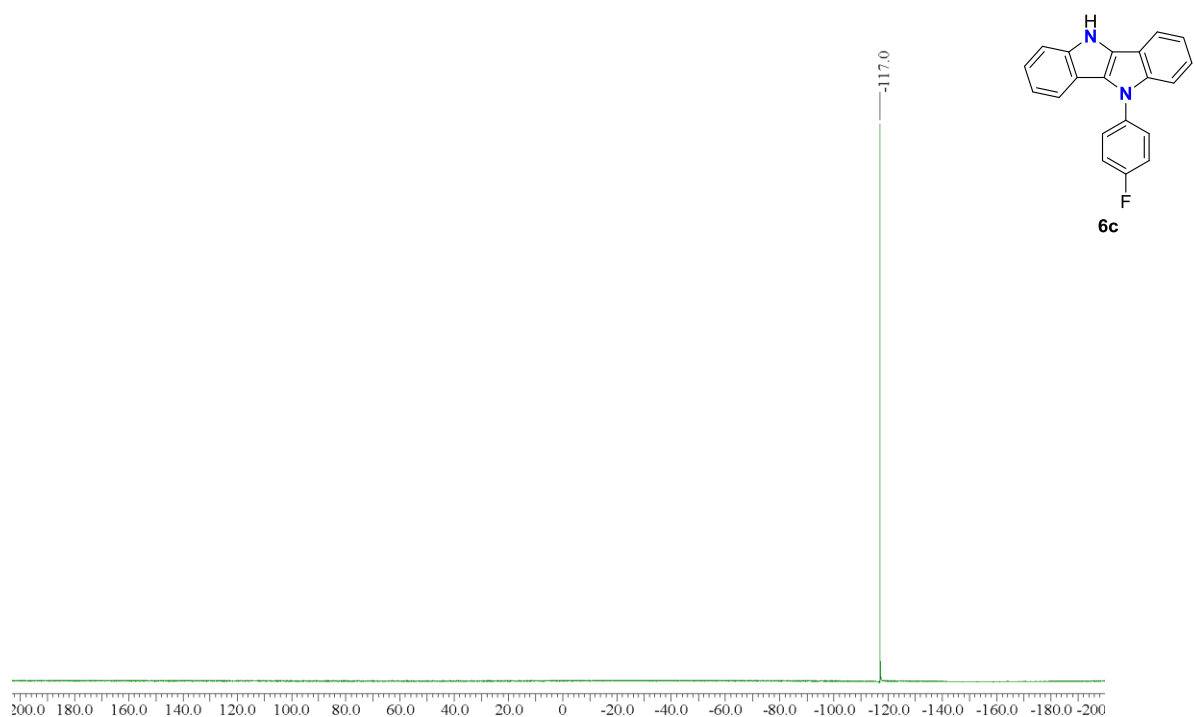


Figure S27. ¹⁹F NMR spectrum of **6c** (acetone-*d*₆).

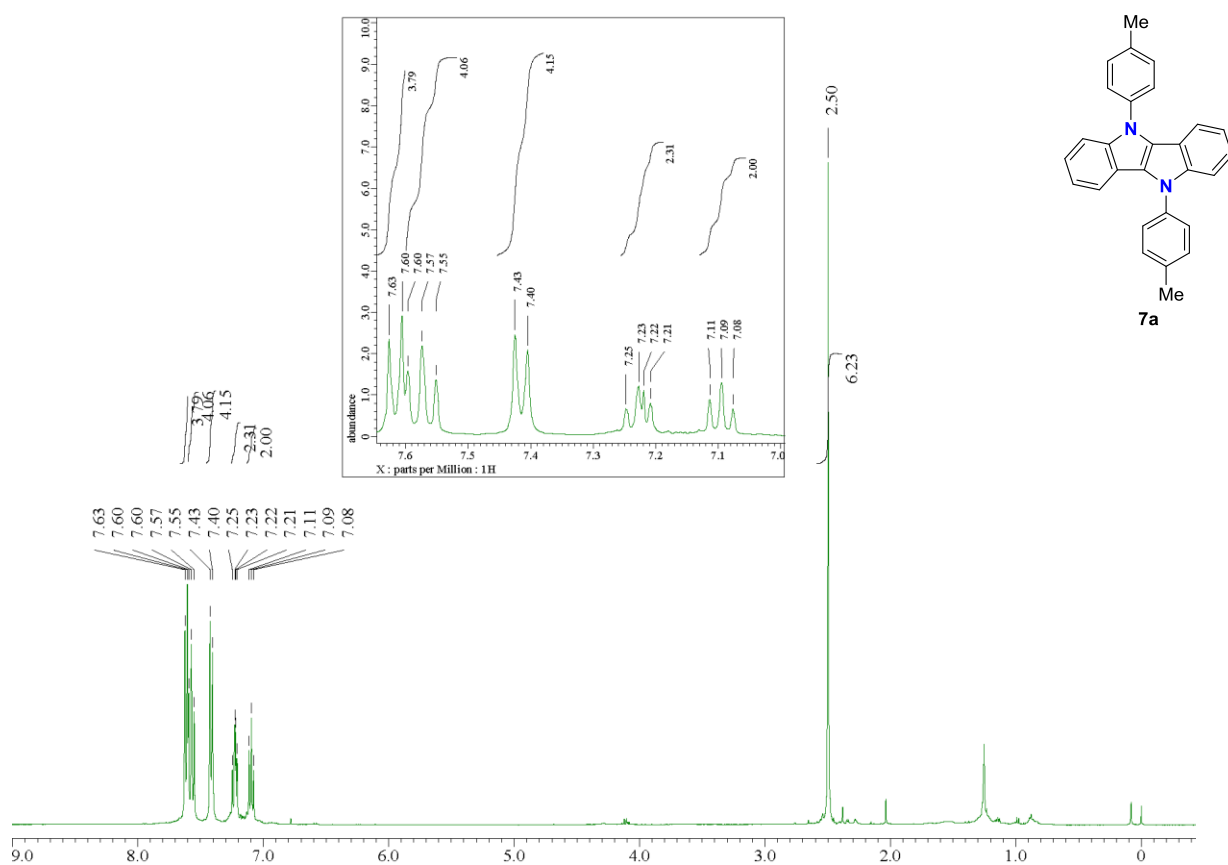
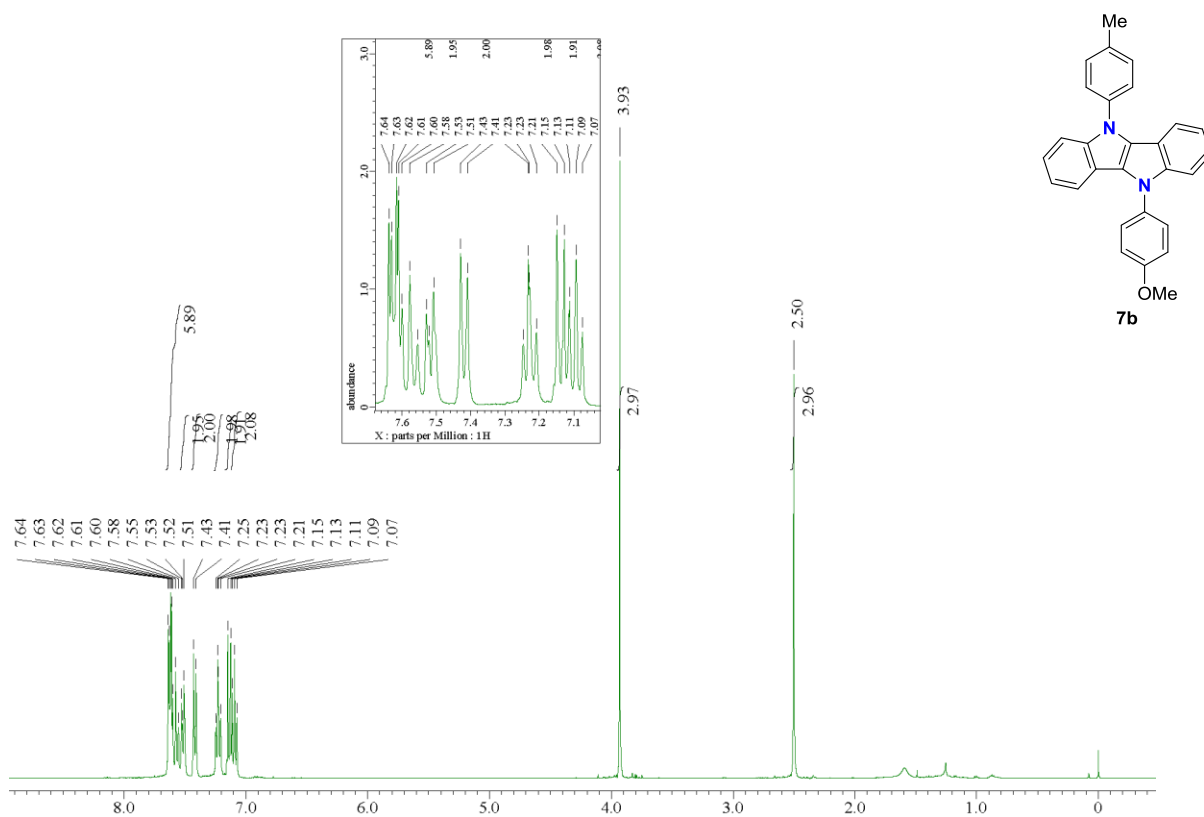
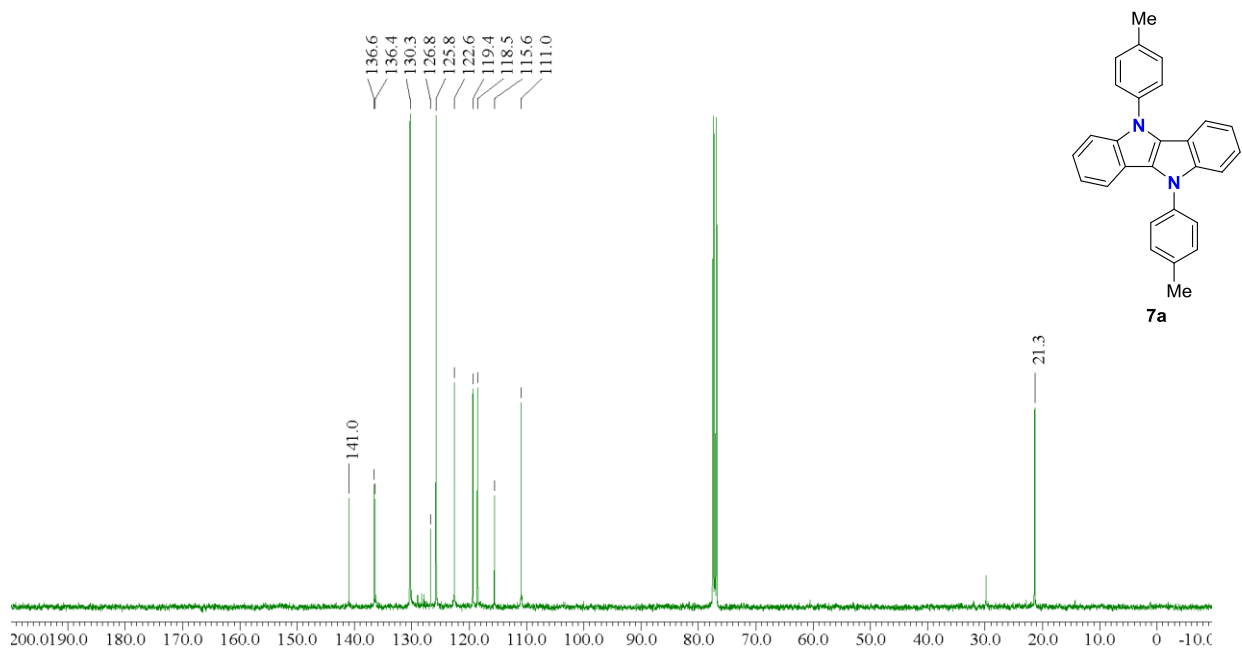


Figure S28. ¹H NMR spectrum of **7a** (CDCl₃).



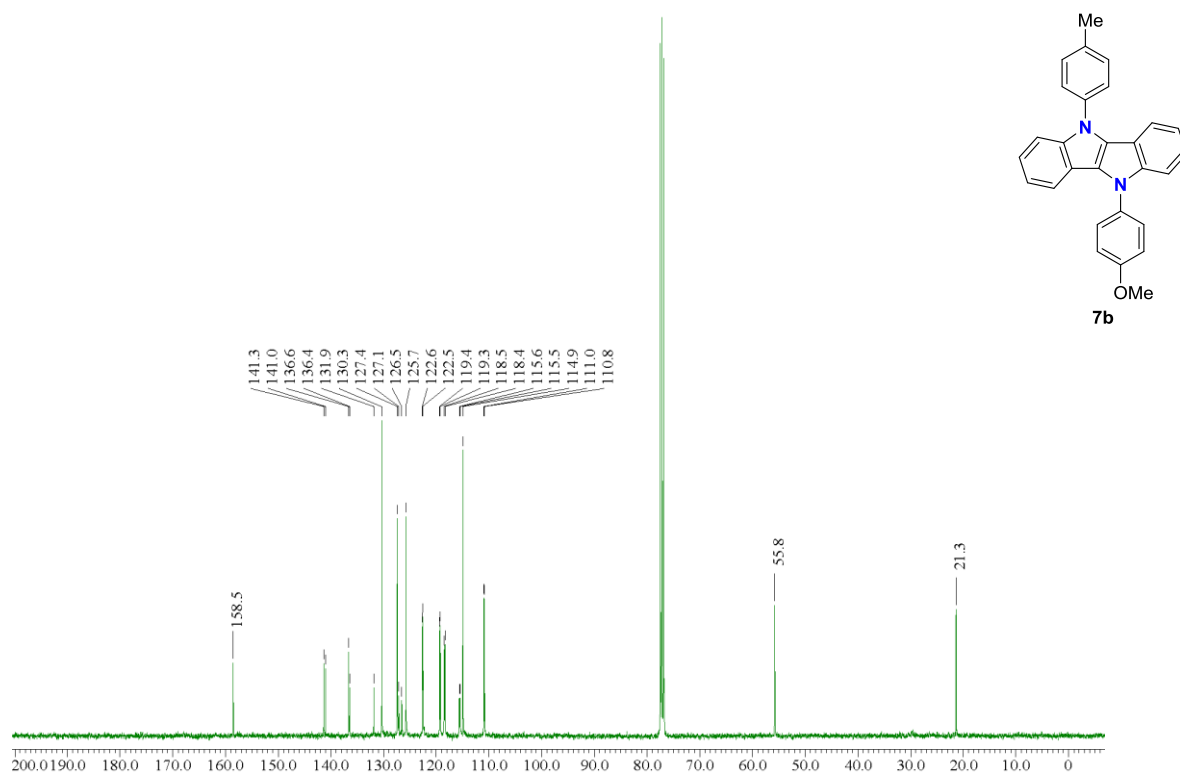
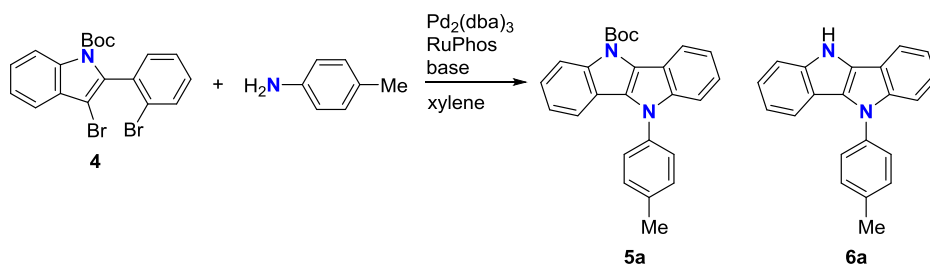


Figure S31. ¹³C NMR spectrum of **7b** (CDCl₃).

Table S1. Optimization for Double *N*-Arylation of 4-Methylaniline with **4**^a



entry	base	<i>T</i> (°C)	yield of 5a (%)	yield of 6a (%)
1	NaO ^t Bu	120	21	42
2	NaO ^t Bu	100	25	25
3	K ₃ PO ₄	120	18	35

^aReaction conditions: **4** (1.0 equiv.), aniline (1.1 equiv.), Pd₂(dba)₃ (10 mol%), ligand (30 mol%), Base (3.0 equiv.), xylene, *T* (°C), 20 h.

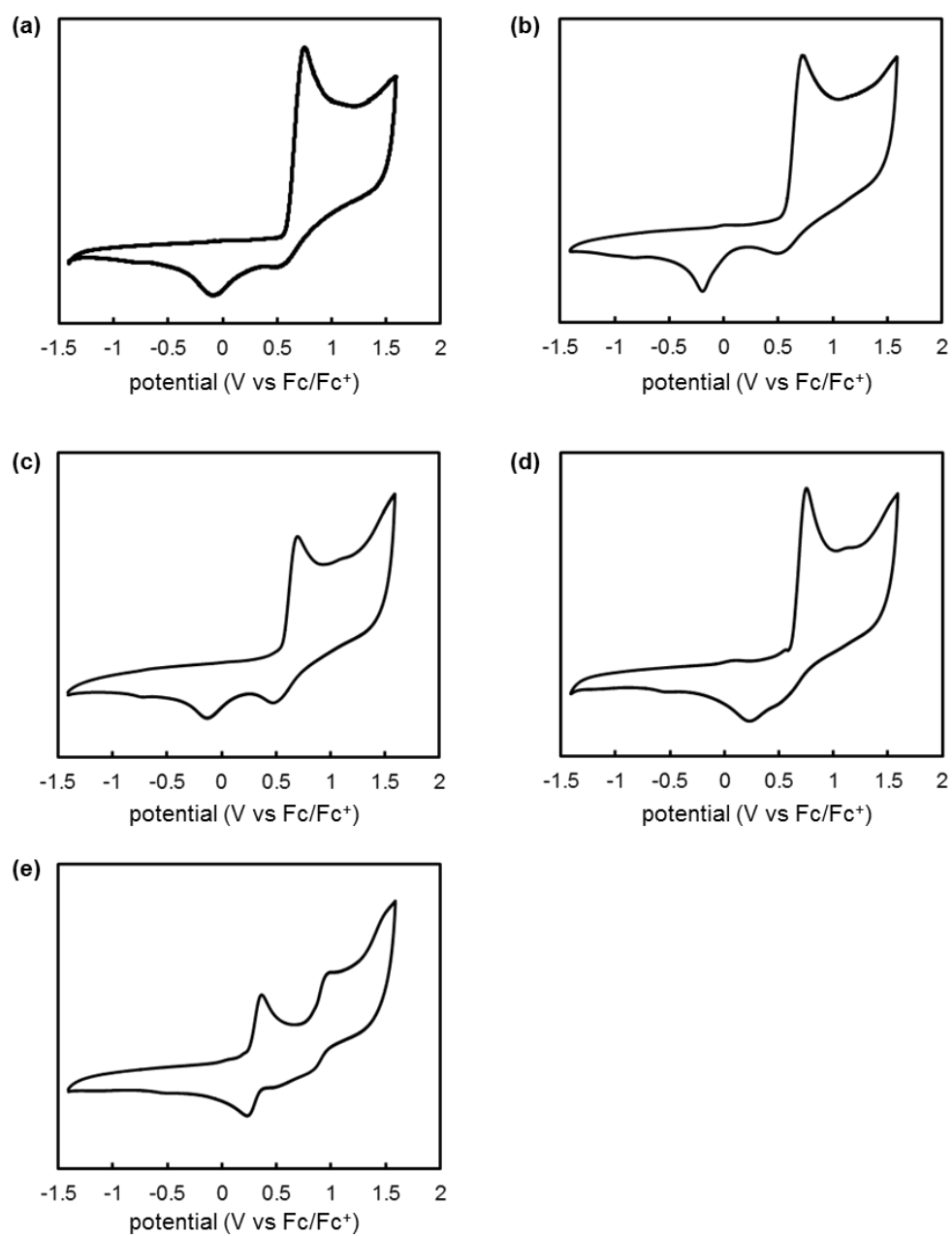


Figure S32. Cyclic voltammograms of (a) **2a**, (b) **2b**, (c) **2c**, (d) **2d**, and (e) **7a**

Table S2. Coordinates (Å) of the optimized structure for **2a**
calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level of theory

atom	x	y	z
H	0.3686697	-4.4125	0.088951
C	1.0536495	-3.56998	0.07753
C	2.8497954	-1.35884	0.073294
C	0.5567559	-2.25745	0.039876
C	2.4280773	-3.76581	0.108887
C	3.3139972	-2.67097	0.114097
C	1.4684658	-1.14904	0.019137
H	2.8267747	-4.7759	0.137182
H	4.3847582	-2.85042	0.153809
H	3.5427879	-0.52447	0.091335
C	-0.7265339	-1.64645	0.034274
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H	3.5998204	3.307534	-1.56321
H	0.915323	4.333288	1.638519
H	2.7233506	4.981891	0.055578

Table S3. Coordinates (Å) of the optimized structure for **2b**
calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level of theory

atom	x	y	z
H	3.175305	3.475598	0.090555
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C	1.26218	4.475168	0.110459
C	-0.1387	4.328275	0.114674
C	0.089088	1.947096	0.021437
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H	-1.81895	2.972076	0.090194
C	1.991795	0.745262	0.033885
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C	-3.81888	-0.06103	-0.87473
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Table S4. Coordinates (Å) of the optimized structure for **2c**
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Table S5. Coordinates (Å) of the optimized structure for **2d**
calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level of theory

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C	1.371683	2.159848	0.041849
C	0.972953	4.530182	0.111076
C	-0.41655	4.299884	0.1171
C	-0.04604	1.937242	0.024489
H	1.345195	5.550299	0.138812
H	-1.09789	5.145153	0.156405
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H	-1.10207	-1.35637	1.659285
H	-2.34545	1.077098	-1.65788
H	-4.59537	-0.01915	-1.61056
H	-3.33302	-2.49488	1.651652
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Table S6. Coordinates (Å) of the optimized structure for **7a**
calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level of theory

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H	2.259919	2.815261	-0.10569
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H	-2.73626	3.234628	-0.037
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H	3.518347	-1.52786	-1.7211
H	5.941168	-1.05262	-1.60547
H	5.280557	1.491341	1.790691
C	7.280083	0.533108	0.181718
H	7.7927	-0.19355	0.826535
H	7.477824	1.528253	0.594216
H	7.750109	0.477544	-0.8061

Table S7. The selected absorption peaks of **2** and **7a** calculated by TD-DFT method^a

	electron transition	transition energy (eV)	wavelength (nm)	main transition configuration (CI expansion coefficient)	oscillator strength <i>f</i>
2a	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	3.91	317	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.658) HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (0.143) HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (-0.164)	0.2401
2b	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	3.90	318	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.661) HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (-0.181)	0.2413
2c	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	3.88	319	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.658) HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (-0.200)	0.2089
2d	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	3.90	318	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.493) HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (0.478) HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (-0.119)	0.1189
	$S_0 \rightarrow S_2$	3.95	314	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (0.516) HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (-0.444) HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.126)	0.1282
7a	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	3.61	344	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.680) HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (-0.141)	0.2447

^aCalculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level of theory.**Table S8.** HOMO and LUMO energy levels of **2** and **7a** calculated by DFT method^a

	HOMO (eV)	LUMO (eV)	HOMO-LUMO energy gap (eV)
2a	-5.15	-0.90	4.25
2b	-5.11	-0.85	4.25
2c	-5.06	-0.81	4.25
2d	-5.22	-0.96	4.26
7a	-4.71	-0.66	4.05

^aCalculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d) level of theory.

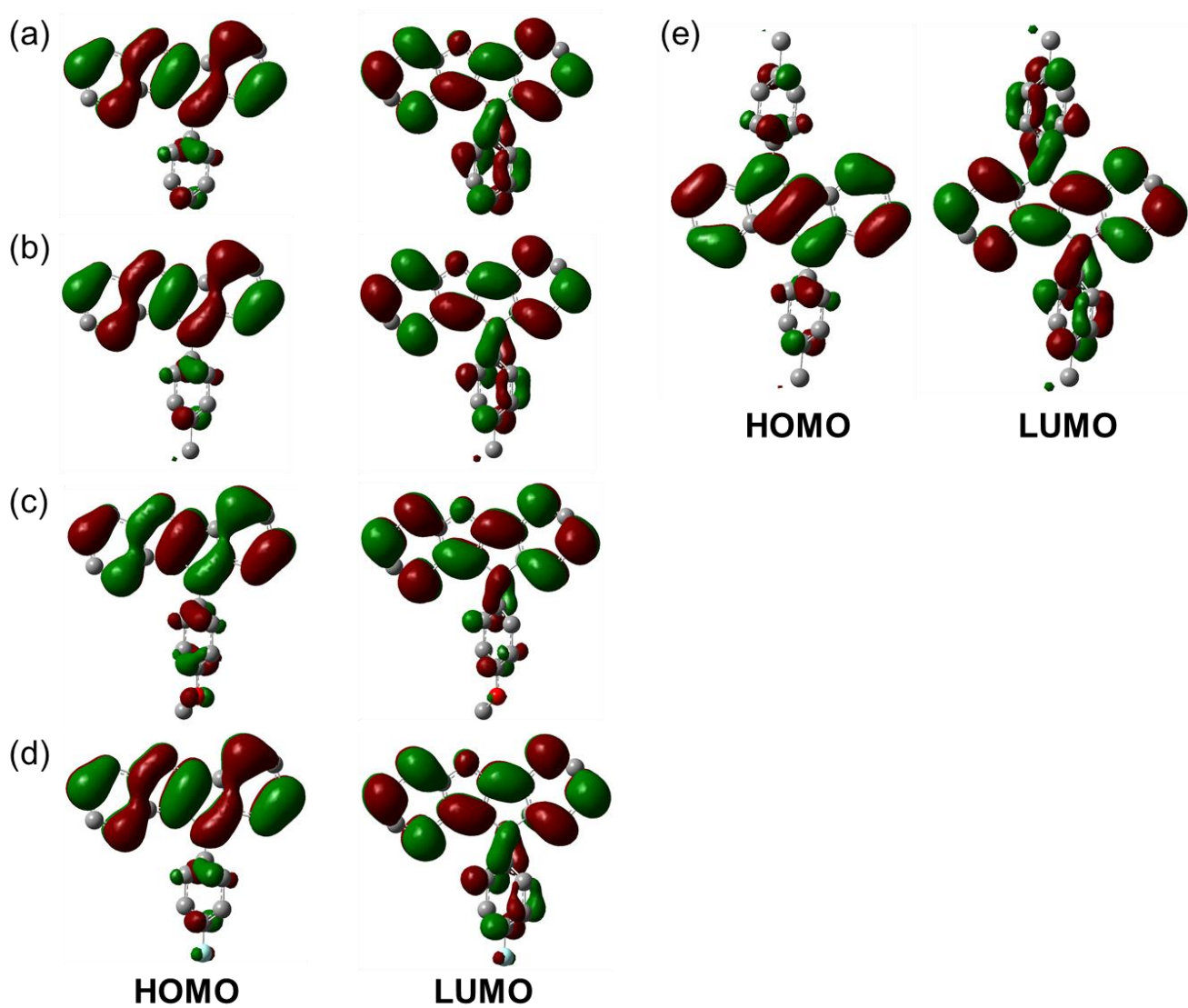


Figure S33. The HOMOs and LUMOs of (a) **2a**, (b) **2b**, (c) **2c**, (d) **2d**, and (e) **7a** calculated by DFT method at the B3LYP /6-31G(d) level of theory.