Unexpected Cycloisomerization of Nonclassical Carbocations Intermediates in Gold(I)-Catalyzed *homo*-Rautenstrauch Cyclization

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Absolute configuration of compound 16 and compound 21 by ECD measurement

The absolute configuration of compound **16** (90% ee) and compound **21** (47% ee) was determined by means of a theoretical simulation of their electronic circular dicroism spectra (ECD).

The calculated spectrum (a constant width of 0.3 eV for all transitions) of compound **16** reproduces well the experimentally recorded spectrum. Specifically, it could be concluded from Figure 1 that calculated signals, positions as well as intensities of the bands ((*1S*,2*S*)-type) match well with the experiment ECD spectrum of compound **16** (90% ee). This means that the absolute configuration of excessive enantiomer in compound **16** (90% ee) is (*1S*,2*S*)-2-methyl-2-(1-methylethenyl)cyclopropanecarboxylic acid. Similarly, in Figure 2, from TD-DFT calculations (a constant width of 0.3 eV for all transitions) for *R* type compound **21**, it could be concluded that the absolute configuration of excessive enantiomer in compound **21** (47% ee) is (*S*)-2,4-dimethyl-4-(1-methylethenyl)cyclohex-2-enone.

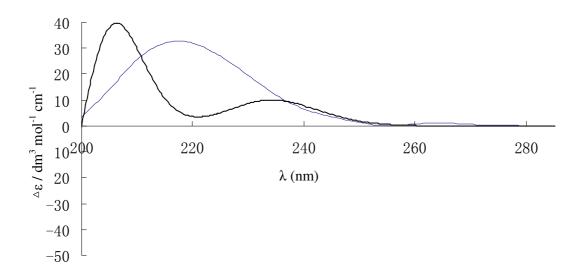


Figure 1. Experimental ECD spectrum of compound **16** (90% ee) and theoretical ECD spectra of (1*S*, 2*S*)-**16**. Experimental spectrum (90% ee, in methanol, c = 0.5 mM) was shown in dashed line, theoretical for (1*S*,2*S*)-**16** in full line. Calculated spectra were shifted to lower energy by 0.564 eV.

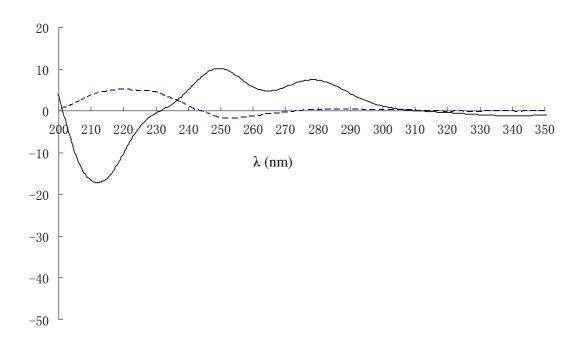
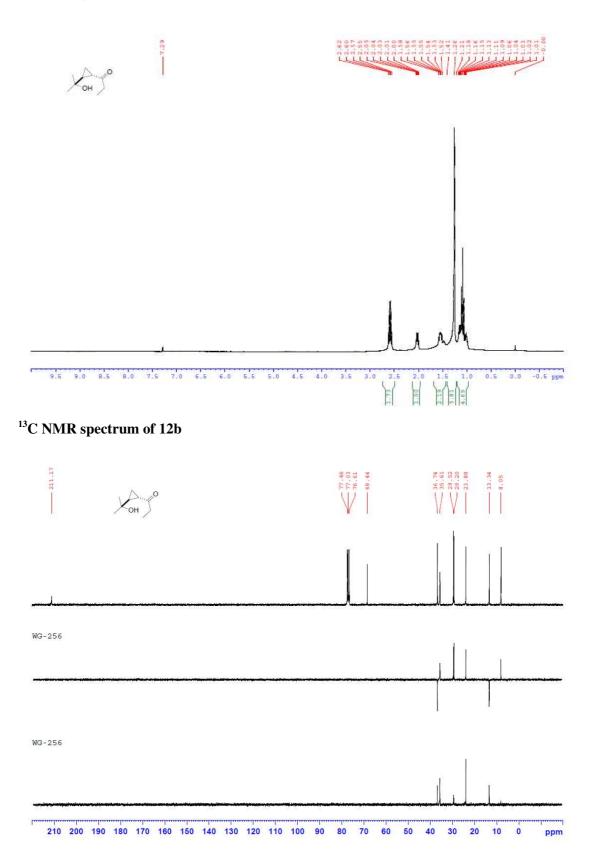
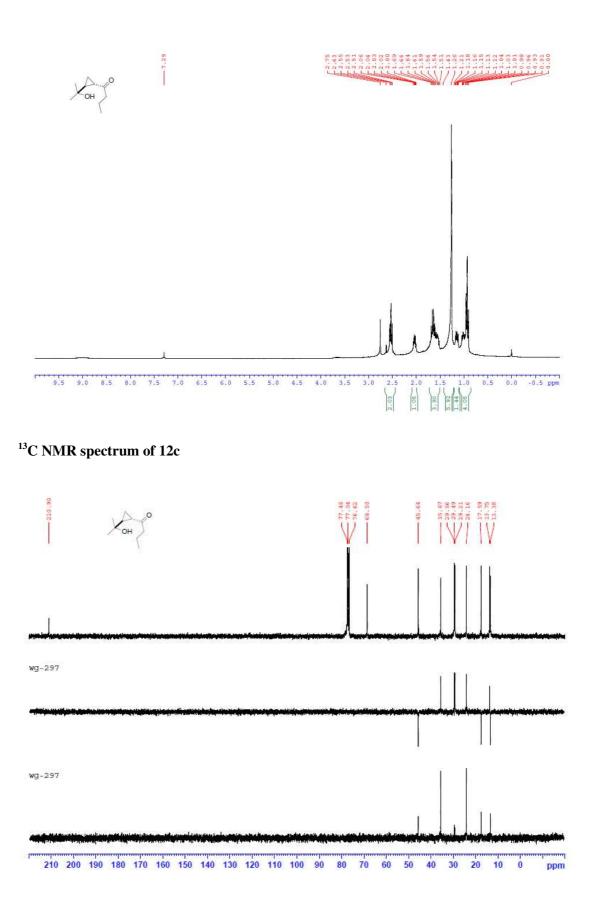
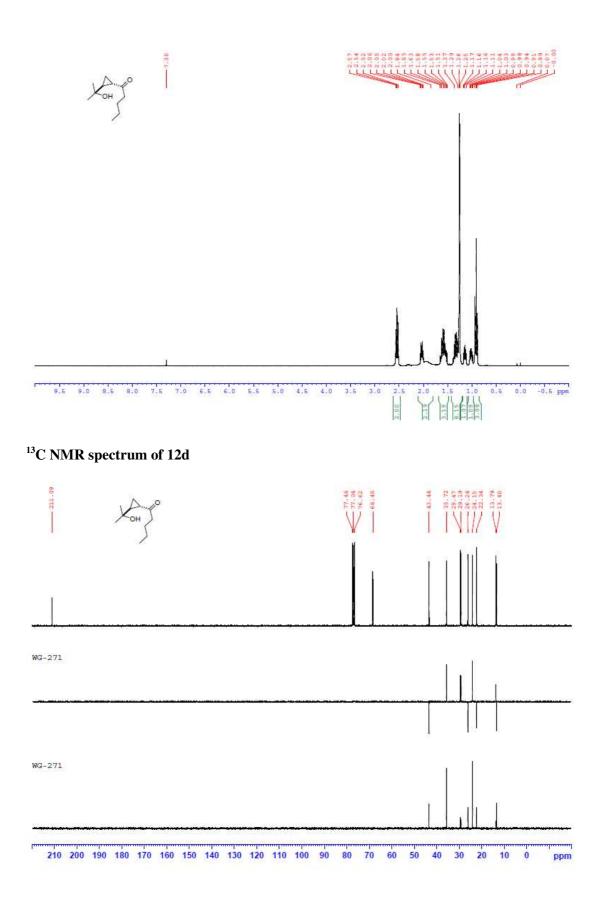


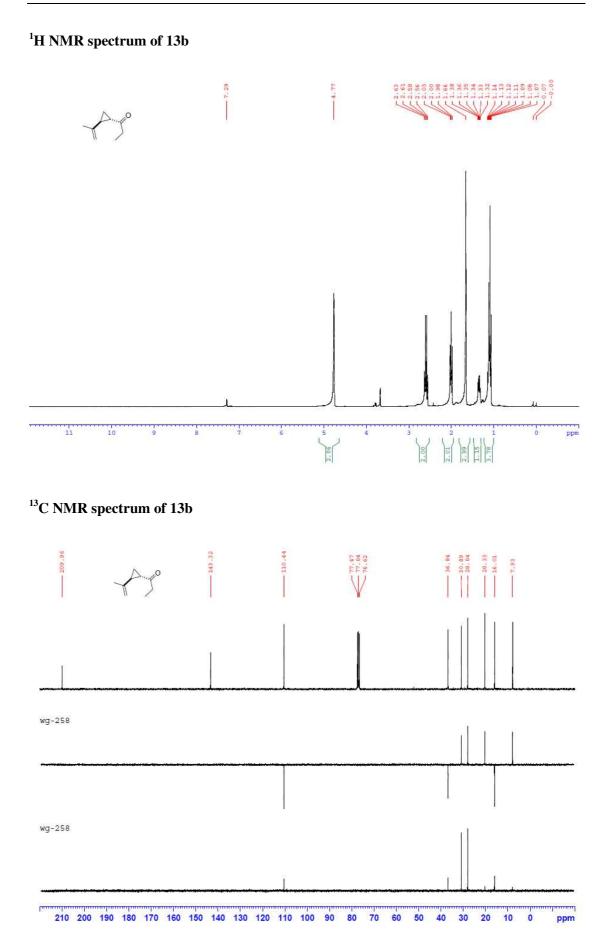
Figure 2. Experimental ECD spectrum of compound 21 (47% ee) and theoretical ECD spectra of (R)-21. Experimental spectrum (in methanol, c = 0.025 M) was shown in dashed line, theoretical spectrum for (R)-21 in full line. Calculated spectra were shifted to lower energy by 0.326 eV.

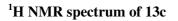
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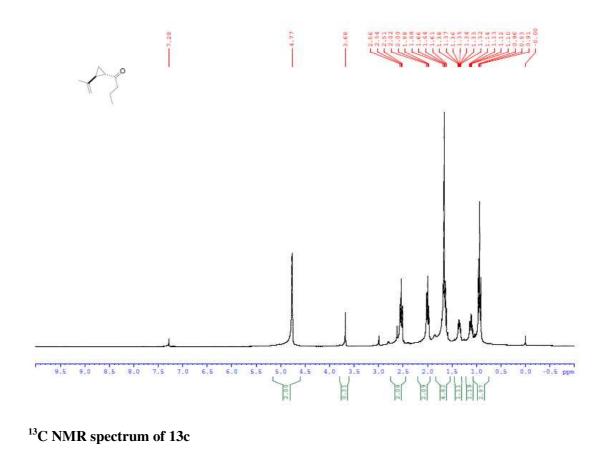


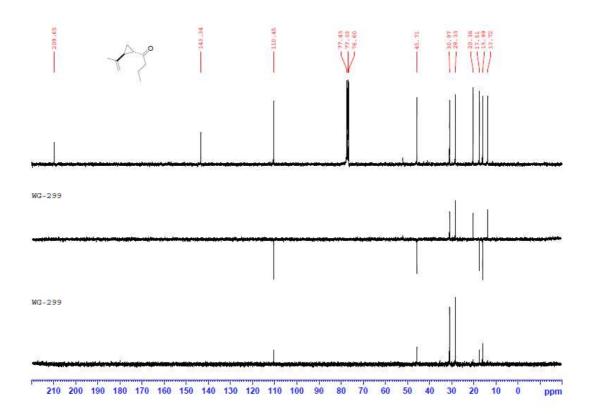


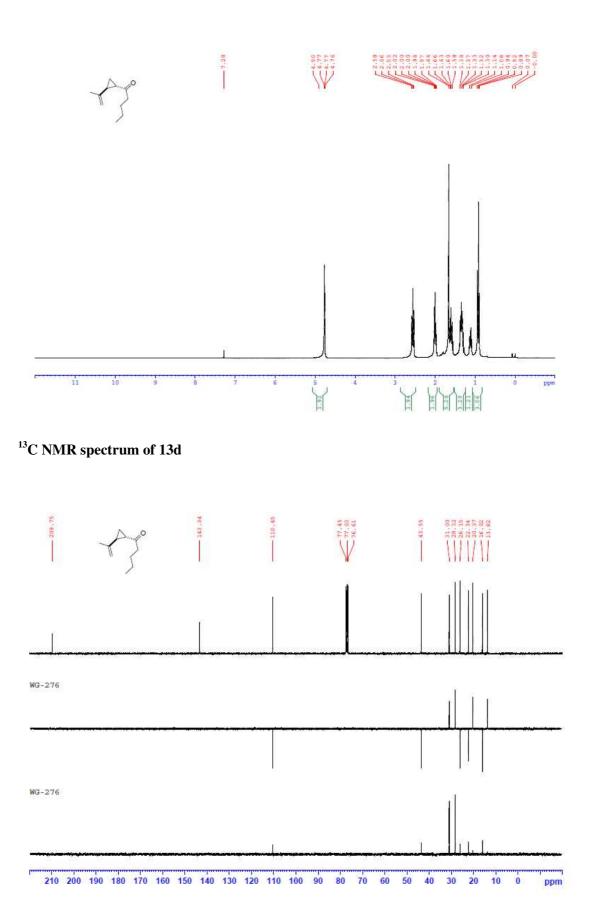


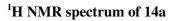


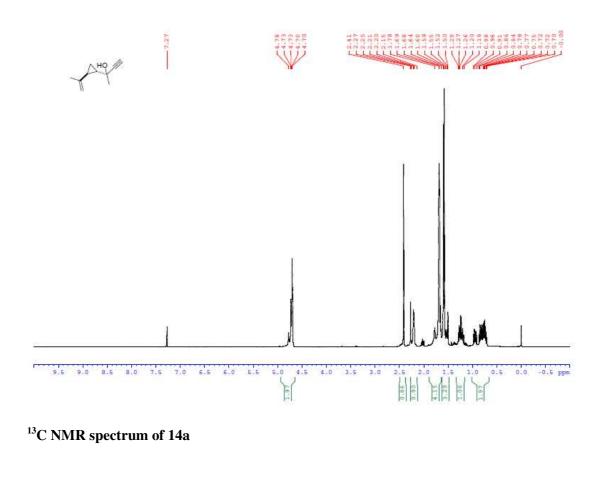


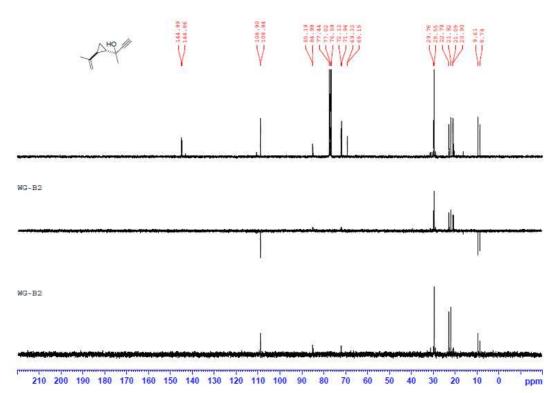


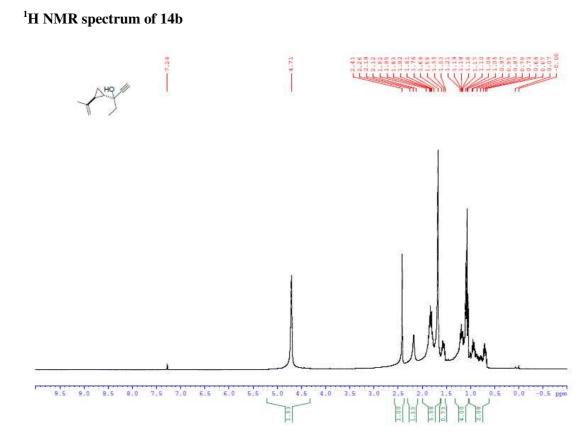




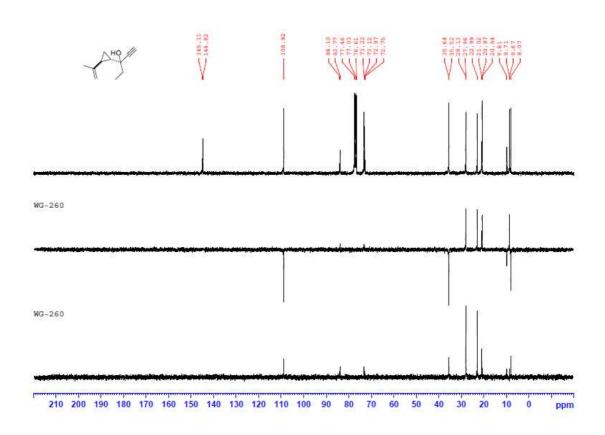


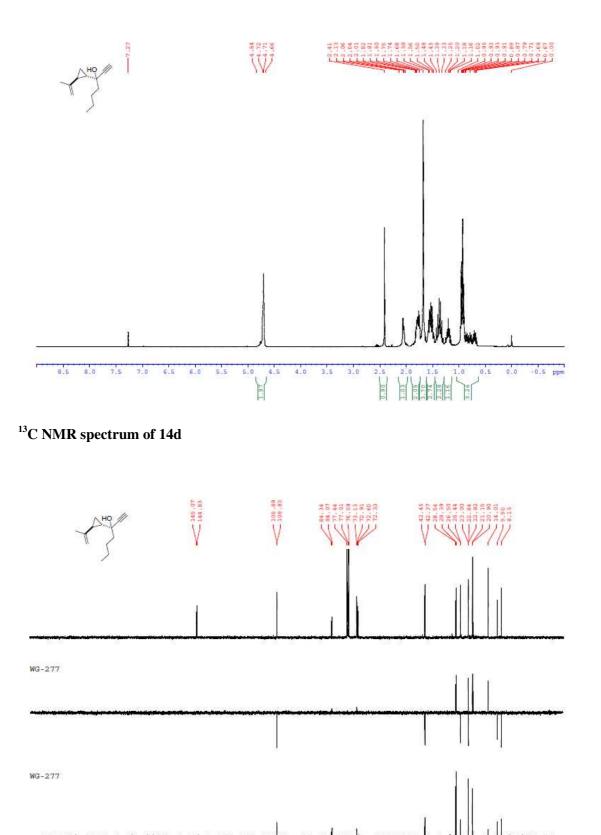




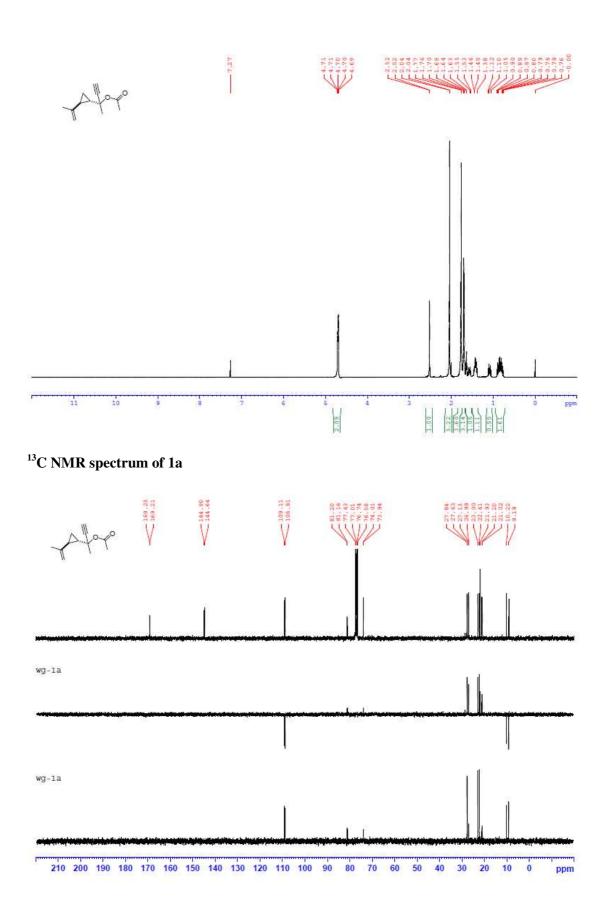


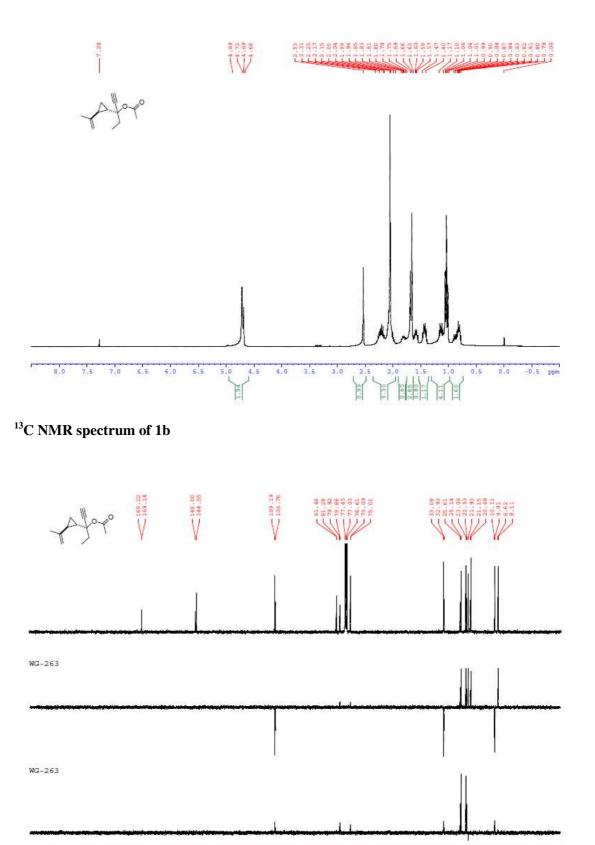
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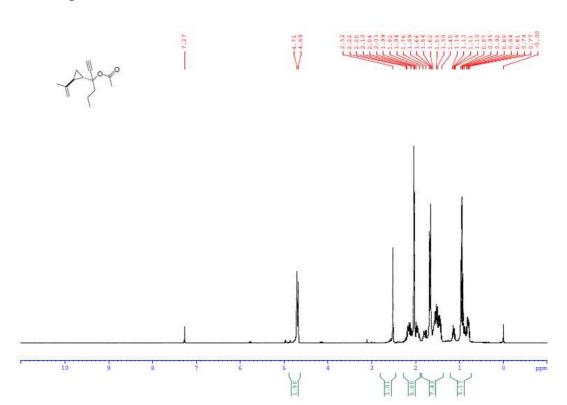


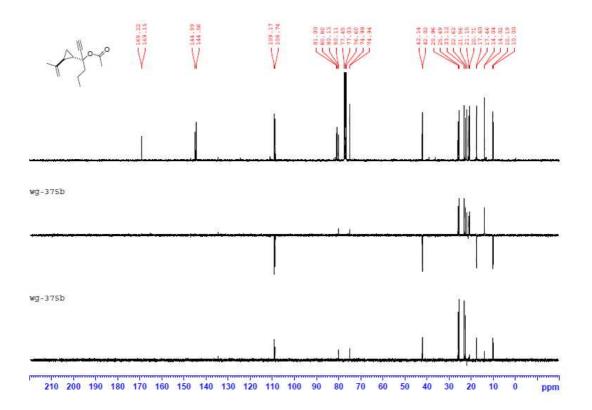
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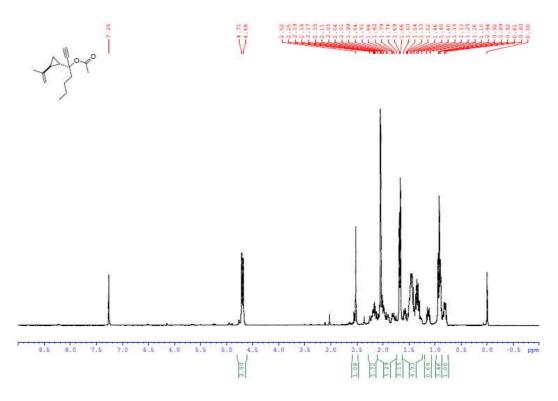


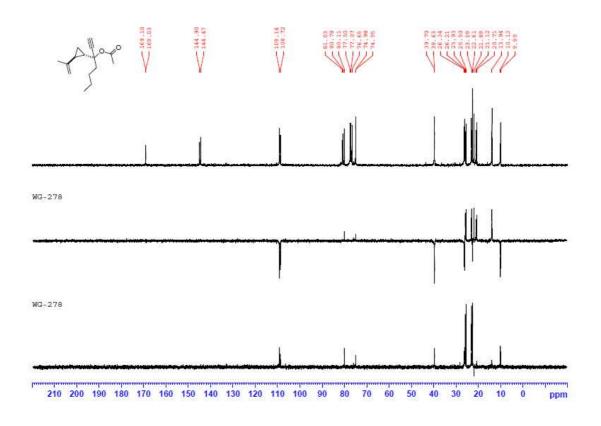


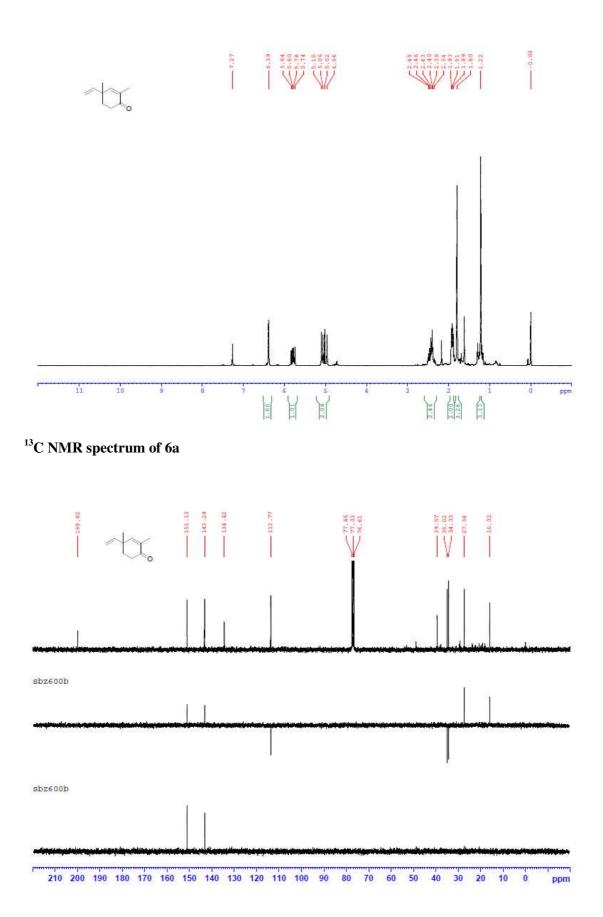
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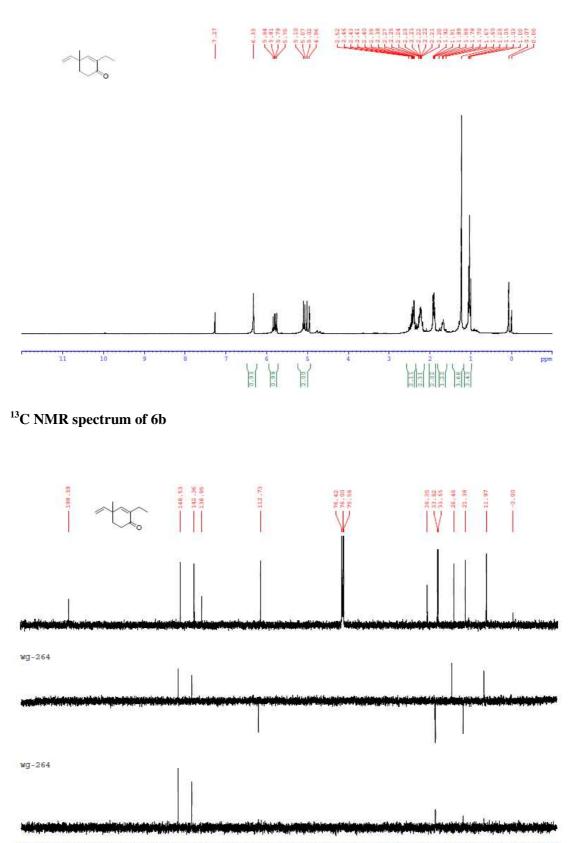




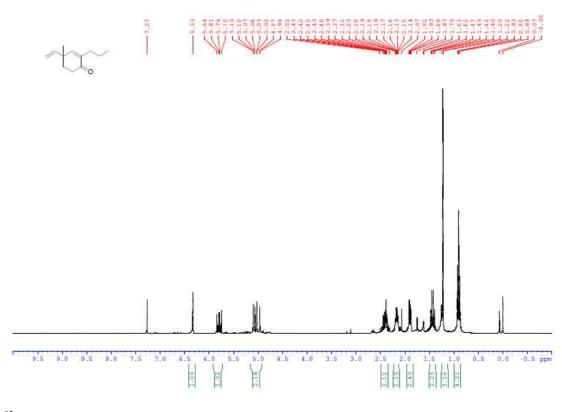


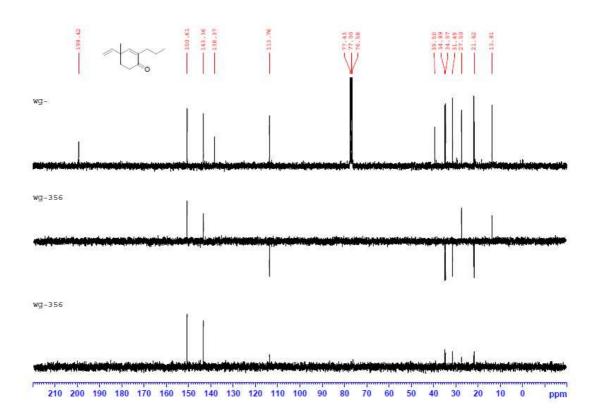


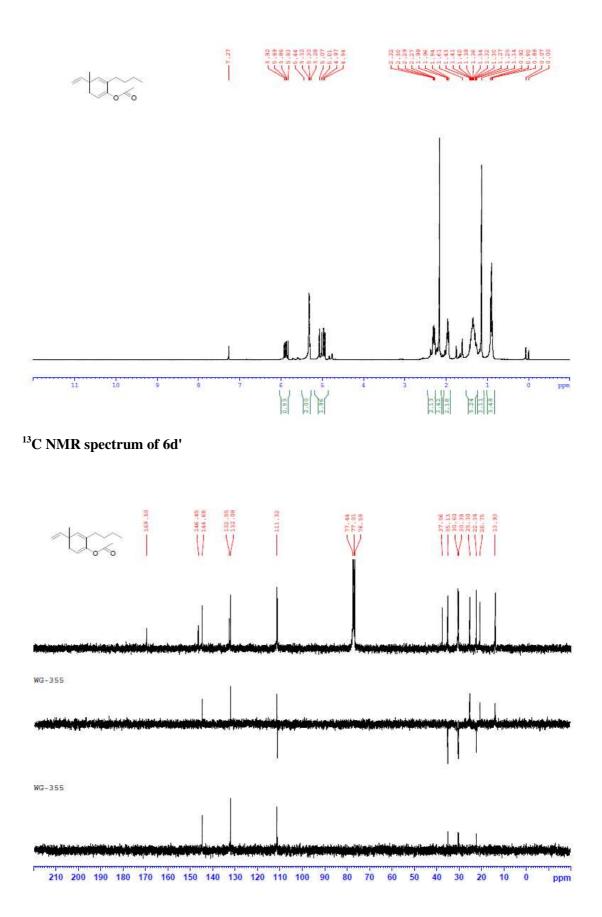


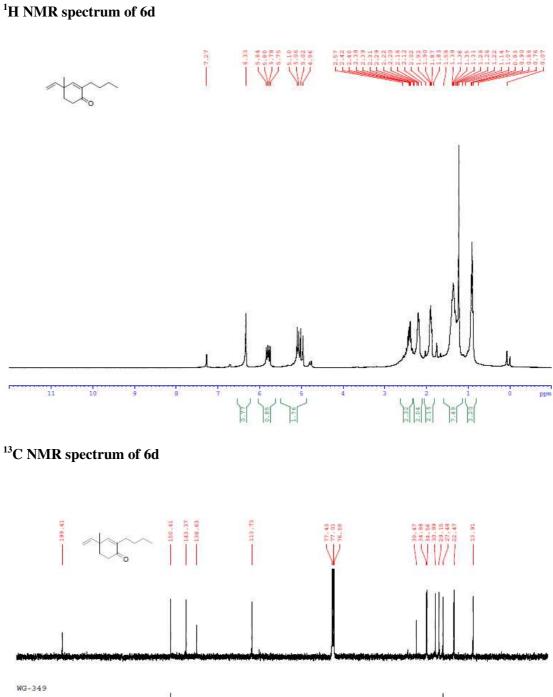


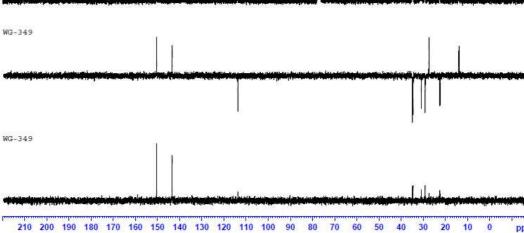
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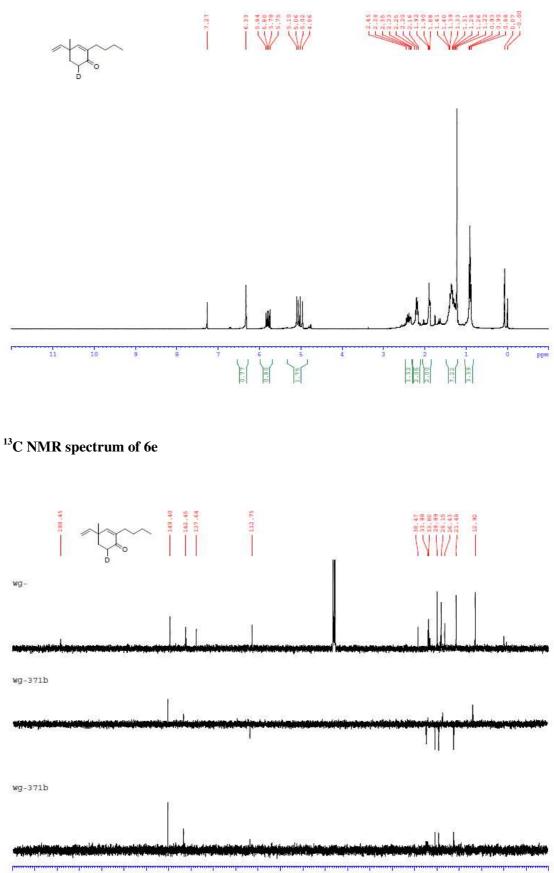




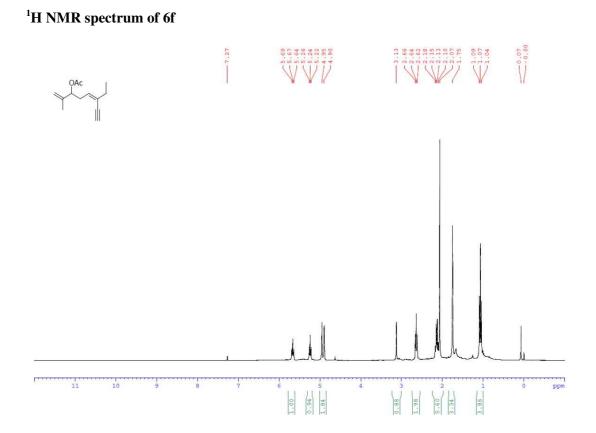


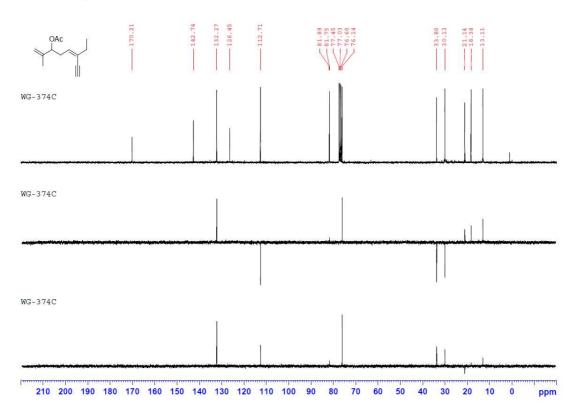


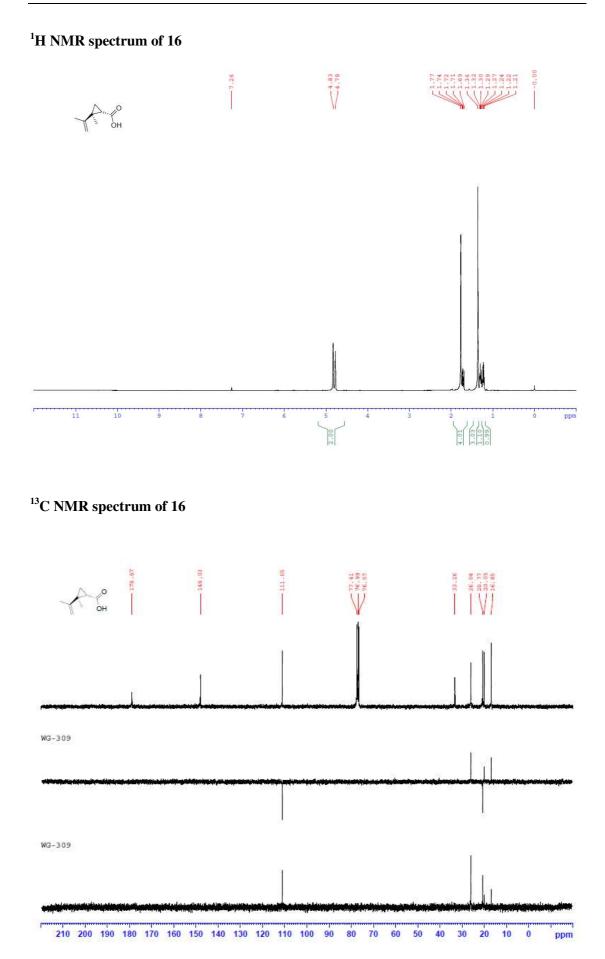
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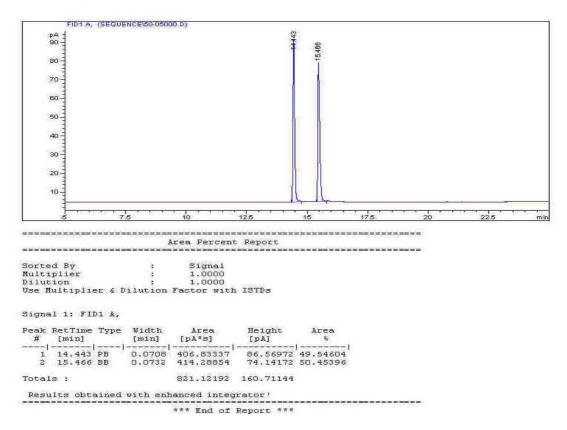
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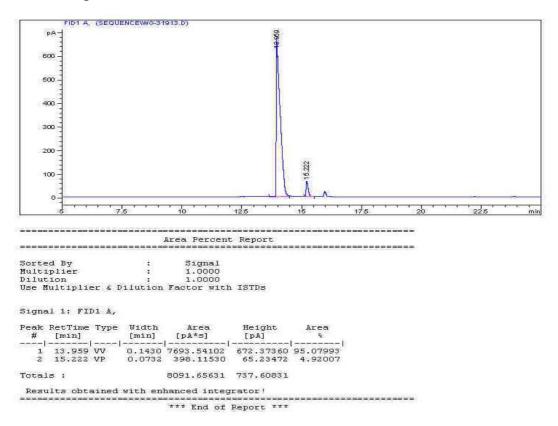


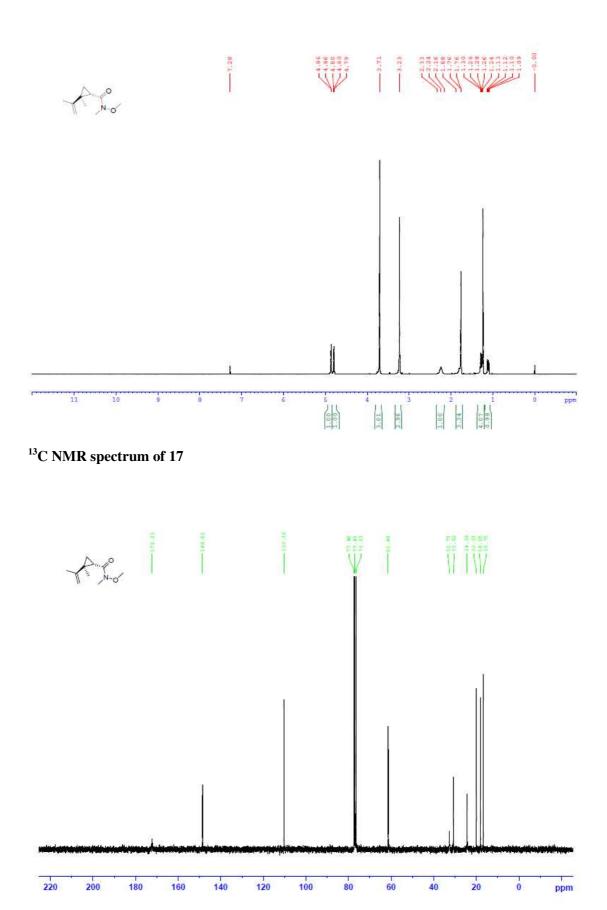


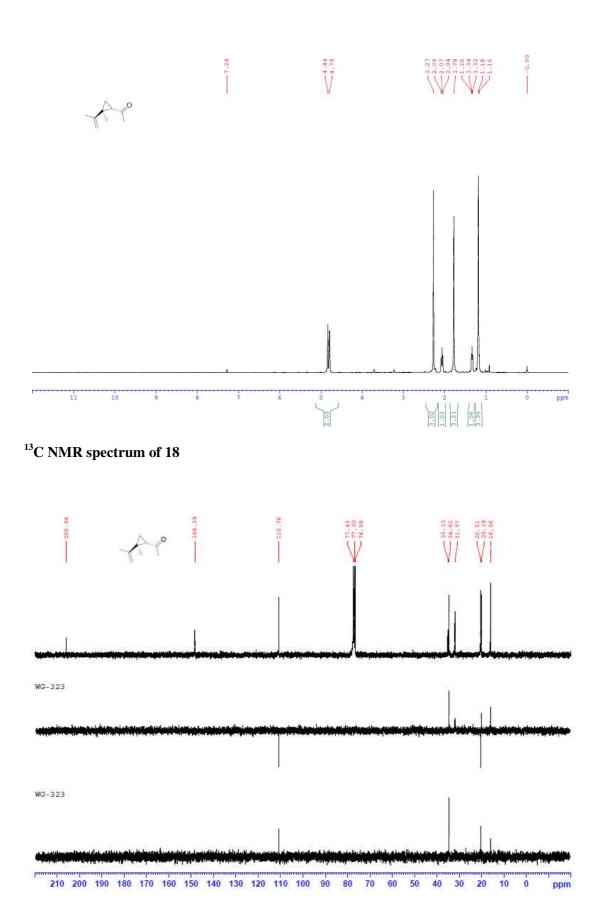


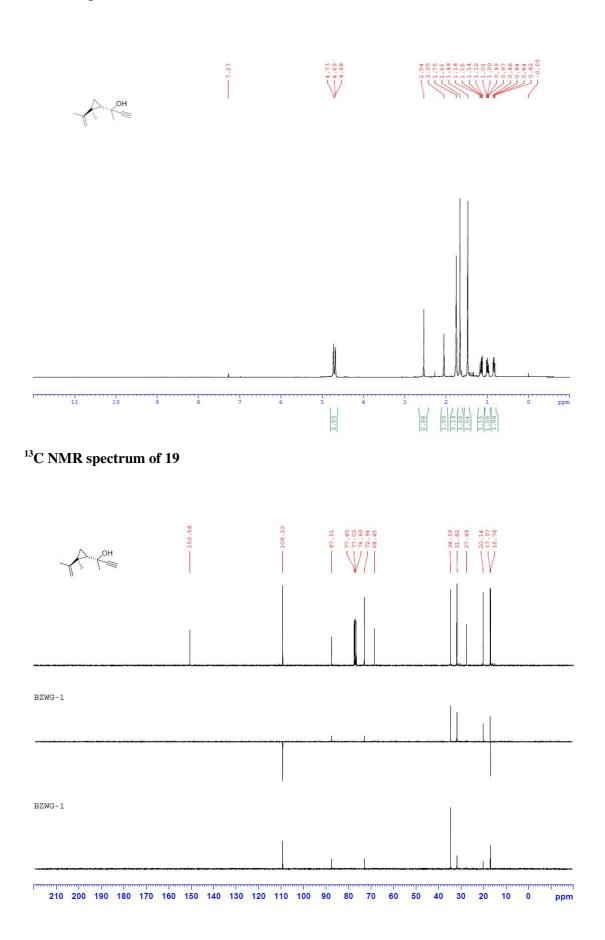


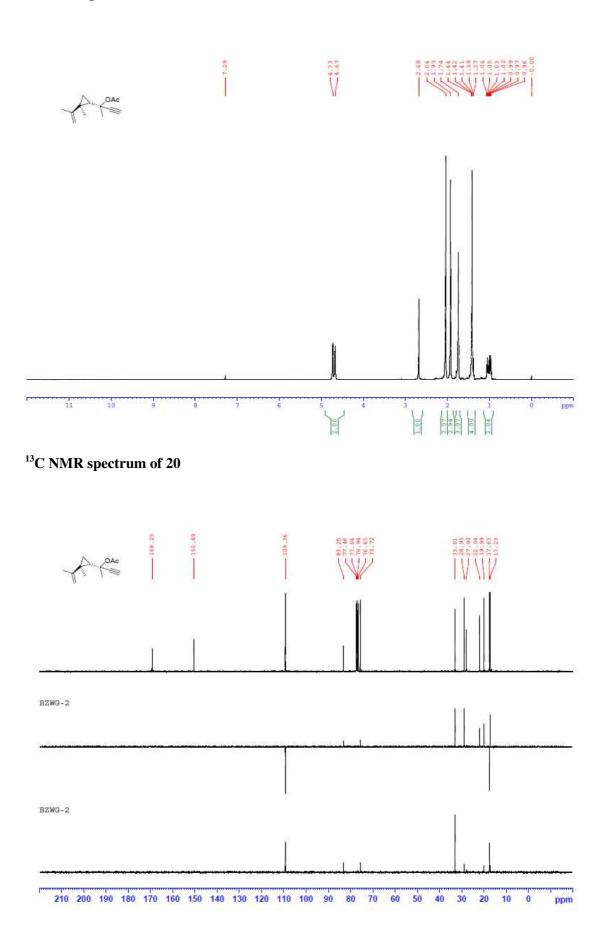
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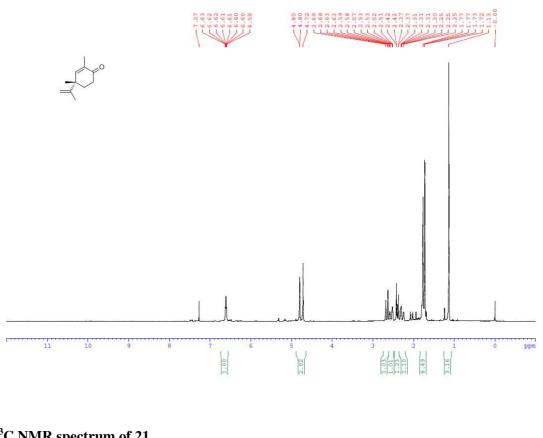


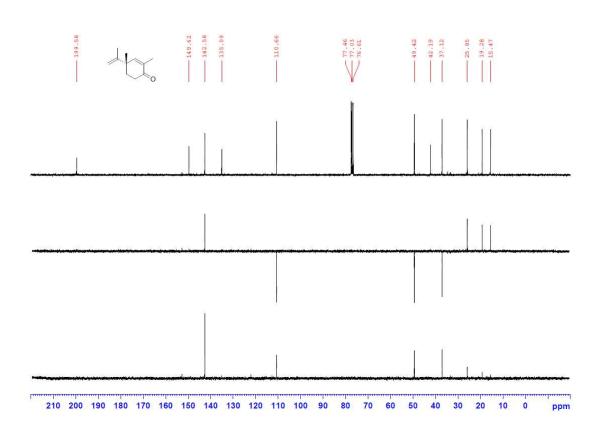


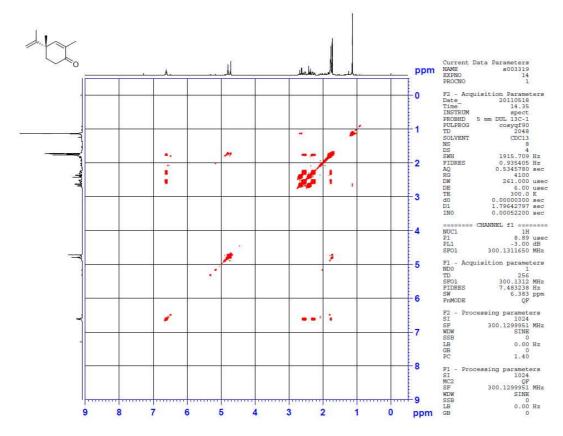






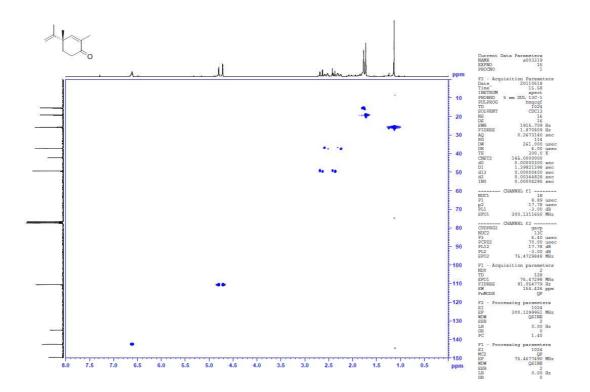






COSY spectrum of 21

HMQC spectrum of 21



Chiral GC spectrum of 21 (47% ee)

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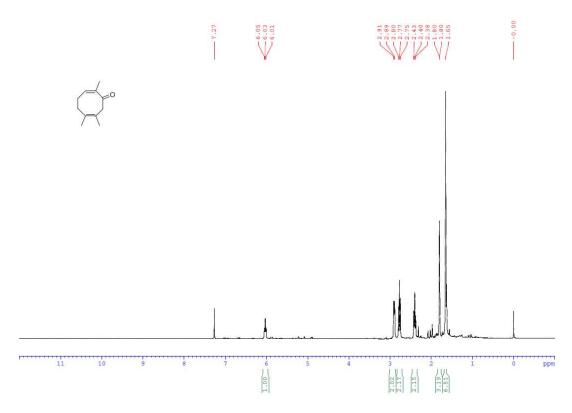
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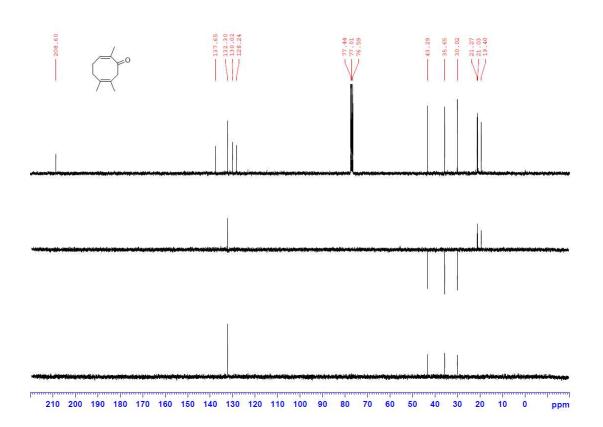
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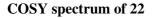
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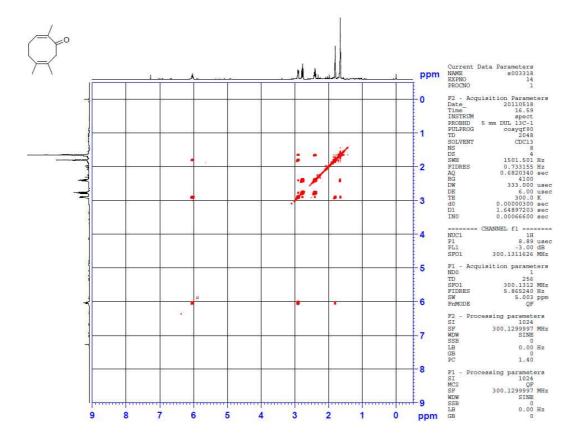
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