

*Supporting Information for*

**Synthesis of Selenated Isochromenones by**

***AgNO<sub>3</sub>-Catalyzed Radical Cyclization of Alkynylaryl***

***Esters, Selenium Powder and ArB(OH)<sub>2</sub>***

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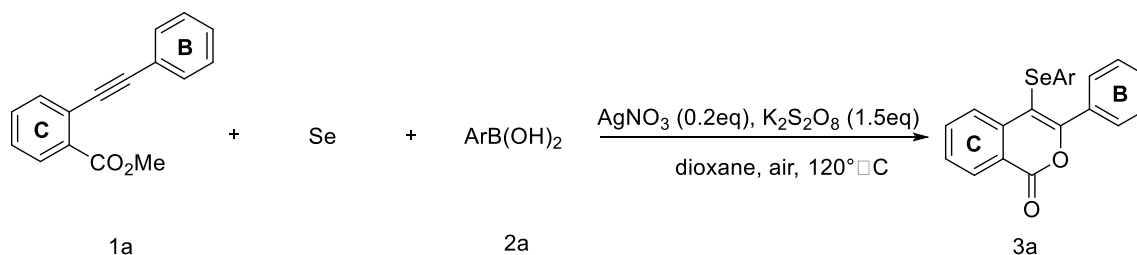
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## 1. General Information

All reagents and solvents were purchased from TCI, Sigma-Aldrich, Alfa Aesar, Acros and Meryer. All reactions were conducted using standard Schlenk techniques. Column chromatography was performed using EM silica gel 60 (300–400 mesh).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR and  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectra were measured on a 500 MHz Bruker AVANCE spectrometer (500 MHz for  $^1\text{H}$ , 125 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  and 470 MHz for  $^{19}\text{F}$ ), using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  as the solvent with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard at room temperature. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were referenced to  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (7.26 ppm), and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra were referenced to  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (77.0 ppm). Peak multiplicities were designated by the following abbreviations: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; m, multiplet. Chemical shifts are given in  $\delta$  relative to TMS, the coupling constants  $J$  are given in Hz. Analysis of crude reaction mixture was done on the Varian 4000 GC/MS and Agilent 7890A/5975C. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded on a micrOTOF-Q II 10410 mass spectrometer.

Unless otherwise noted, all reagents and solvents were obtained commercially and used without further purification. The methyl 2-(arylethynyl)benzoate<sup>[1]</sup> and ethyl 2-(phenylethynyl)benzoate<sup>[2]</sup>, isopropyl 2-(phenylethynyl)benzoate<sup>[2]</sup>, phenyl 2-(phenylethynyl)benzoate<sup>[3]</sup>, [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl 2-(phenylethynyl)benzoate<sup>[3]</sup> were prepared according to corresponding literature procedures.

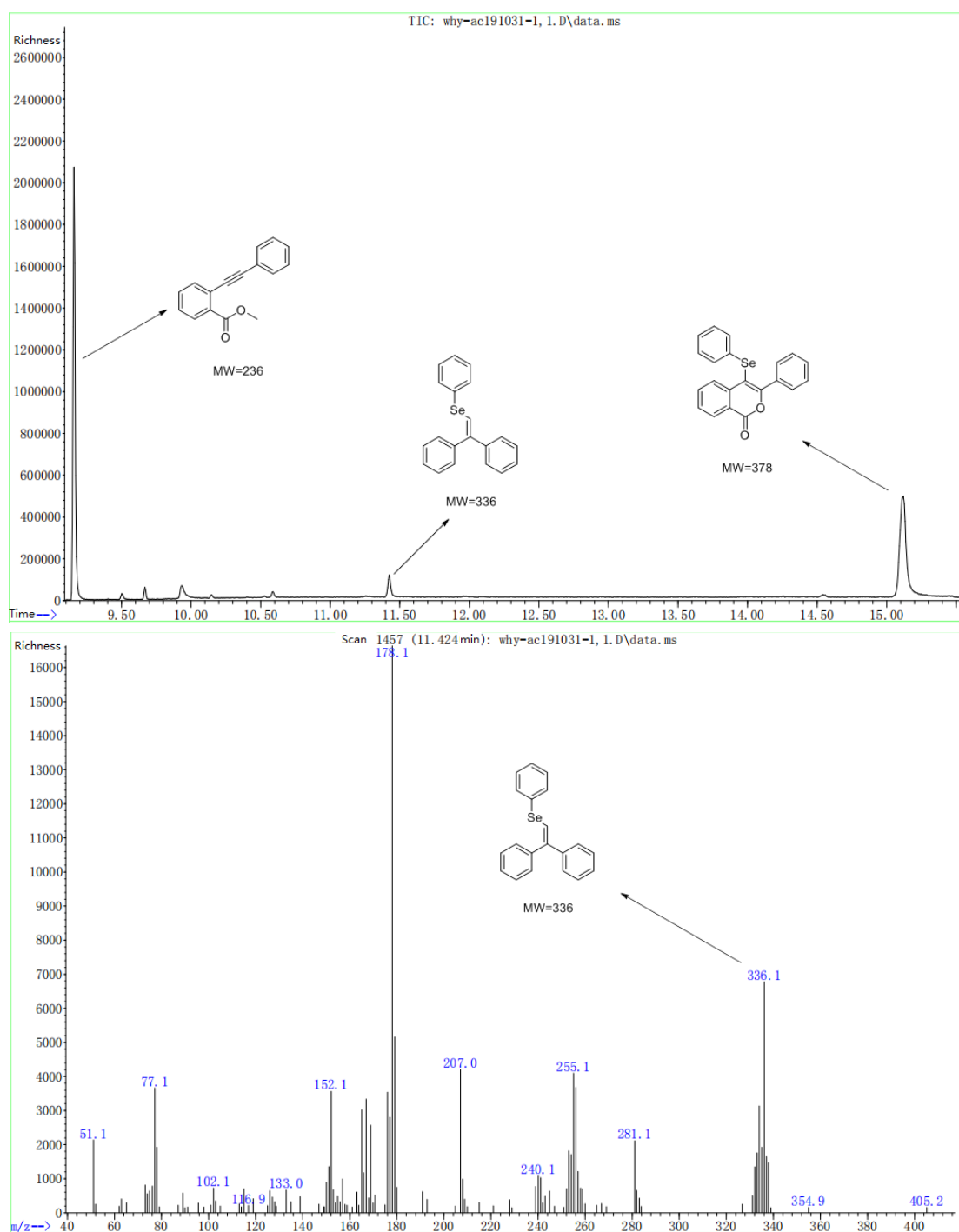
## 2. General experimental procedure



A 25 mL Schlenk tube equipped with a stir bar was charged with AgNO<sub>3</sub> (0.06 mmol), 2a (0.6 mmol), Se (0.6 mmol), 1a (0.3 mmol) and dioxane (2 mL) was added in turn to the Schlenk tube, The reaction mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 20 h. After cooling down, the reaction mixture was diluted with 10 mL of ethyl ether, filtered

through a pad of silica gel and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was then purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to provide the corresponding product.

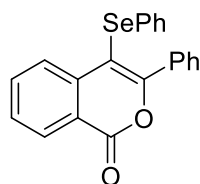
### 3. GC-MS data



The GC-MS shows an  $m/z$  peak of 336, which is in good agreement with that of a selenium radical intermediate.

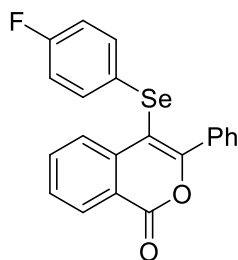
## 4. Characterization of products in details

### 3-phenyl-4-(phenylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3a) <sup>[4]</sup>



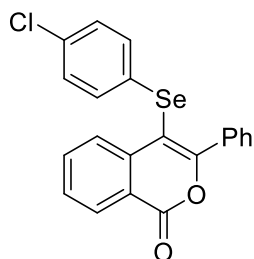
White solid (104 mg, 92% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.06-8.05 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.67-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.7, 159.6, 138.5, 135.3, 134.1, 131.8, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 126.5, 120.9, 104.8.

### 4-((4-fluorophenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ba) <sup>[4]</sup>



White solid (60.6 mg, 51% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.37-8.35 (m, 1H), 8.07-8.05 (m, 1H), 7.75-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.87 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 162.0 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 161.6, 159.5, 138.3, 135.4, 134.0, 131.3 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 130.2, 129.8, 129.7, 128.8, 128.1, 127.9, 126.0 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 120.9, 116.7 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 105.4. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -115.2 (s, 1F).

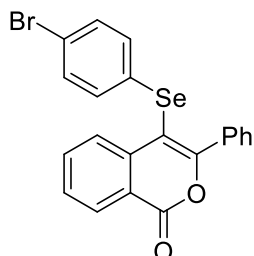
### 4-((4-chlorophenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ca) <sup>[4]</sup>



White solid (102.6 mg, 83% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.38-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.01-8.00 (m, 1H), 7.74-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H),

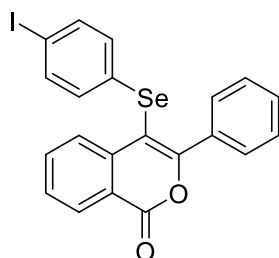
7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.5, 159.8, 138.2, 135.4, 133.9, 132.7, 130.3, 130.2, 130.0, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.8, 128.0, 127.9, 120.9, 104.7.

#### 4-((4-bromophenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3da)



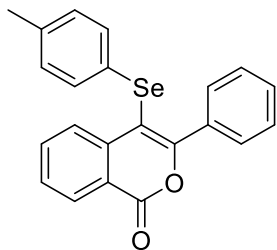
White solid (101.2 mg, 74% yield); mp 105.0-106.4 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.38-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.00-7.99 (m, 1H), 7.74-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.06-7.04 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.5, 159.9, 138.1, 135.5, 133.9, 132.5, 130.7, 130.5, 130.3, 129.9, 129.6, 128.9, 128.0, 127.9, 120.9, 120.6, 104.5. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>14</sub>BrO<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 456.9337, found 456.9320.

#### 4-((4-iodophenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ea)



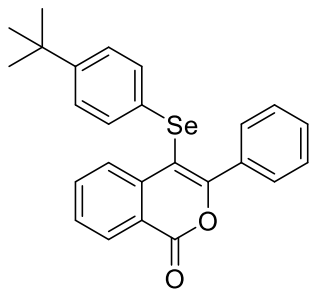
White solid (54.4 mg, 36% yield); mp 106.8-107.4 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 7.99-7.98 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.39 (m, 5H), 6.93-6.91 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.5, 159.9, 138.4, 138.1, 135.5, 133.9, 131.8, 130.6, 130.3, 129.9, 129.6, 128.9, 128.0, 127.9, 120.9, 104.3, 91.5. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>14</sub>IO<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 504.9198, found 504.9193.

#### 3-phenyl-4-(p-tolylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3fa) <sup>[4]</sup>



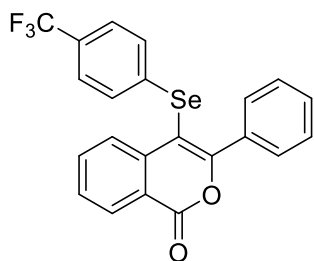
White solid (108 mg, 92% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.09-8.08 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.69 (m, 3H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.12-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.02-7.00 (m, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  161.7, 159.4, 138.6, 136.5, 135.3, 134.2, 130.3, 130.1, 129.8, 129.7, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 120.9, 105.2, 21.0.

**4-((4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ga)**



White solid (86 mg, 66% yield); mp 102.0-102.4 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.11-8.10 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.68 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.13 (m, 2H), 1.26 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  161.7, 159.4, 149.8, 138.7, 135.3, 134.2, 130.0, 129.8, 129.7, 128.9, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 126.6, 120.9, 105.1, 34.5, 31.2. HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{Se}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  435.0858, found 435.0858.

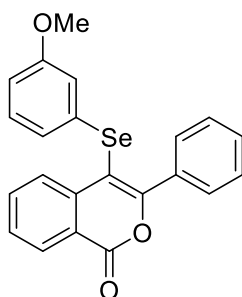
**3-phenyl-4-((4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)selanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ha)**



White solid (92 mg, 69% yield); mp 91.9-92.0 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.39-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.97-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.74-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.30-7.29 (m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125

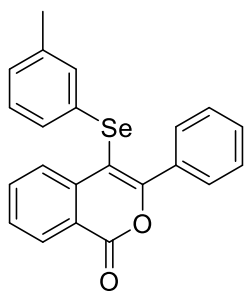
MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  161.4, 160.3, 138.0, 137.2, 135.6, 133.8, 130.4, 130.0, 129.5, 129.0, 128.7 (q,  $J = 32.5$  Hz), 128.5, 127.9, 127.8, 126.2 (q,  $J = 3.8$  Hz), 124.0 (q,  $J = 270.0$  Hz), 120.9, 103.8. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -62.6 (s, 1F). HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 447.0106, found 447.0106.

#### 4-((3-methoxyphenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ia)



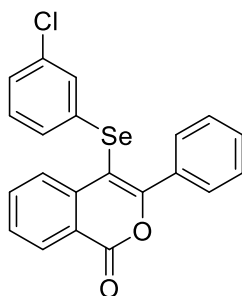
White solid (50 mg, 41% yield); mp 96.2-96.4 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.37-8.35 (m, 1H), 8.06-8.05 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.67 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.80-6.78 (m, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.71-6.69 (m, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  161.6, 160.2, 159.7, 138.5, 135.4, 134.1, 133.0, 130.3, 130.1, 129.7, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 121.1, 120.8, 114.7, 112.0, 104.7, 55.2. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 409.0338, found 409.0330.

#### 3-phenyl-4-(m-tolylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ja)



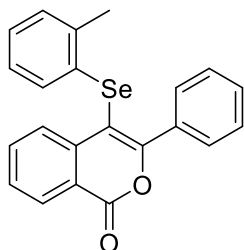
White solid (92 mg, 78% yield); mp 86.4-86.8 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.07-8.06 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.67 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.08-7.03 (m, 2H), 6.99-6.96 (m, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  161.7, 159.5, 139.3, 138.6, 135.3, 134.1, 131.6, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 127.4, 126.0, 120.9, 104.9, 21.3. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 393.0389, found 393.0392.

#### 4-((3-chlorophenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ka)



White solid (105 mg, 85% yield); mp 92.0-93.3 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.38-8.37 (m, 1H), 8.01-8.00 (m, 1H), 7.75-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.14-7.04 (m, 3H), ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.5, 160.0, 138.1, 135.5, 135.3, 133.9, 133.5, 130.4, 129.9, 129.6, 128.9, 128.6, 128.0, 127.9, 126.9, 126.8, 120.9, 104.4. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 412.9842, found 412.9848.

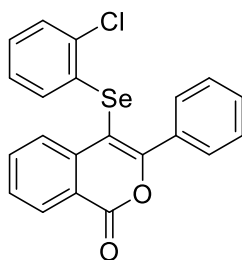
#### 3-phenyl-4-(o-tolylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3la)



White solid (93 mg, 79% yield); mp 114.8-115.4 °C; EtOAc/ PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.39-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.96-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.66 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.97-6.96 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.7, 159.7, 138.5, 136.5, 135.4, 134.1, 132.7, 130.4, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.1, 126.2, 120.9, 104.1, 21.3. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 393.0389, found 393.0382.

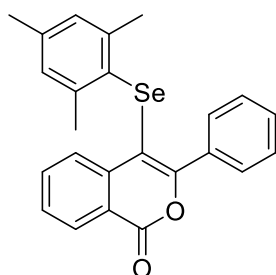
#### 4-((2-chlorophenyl)selanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ma)





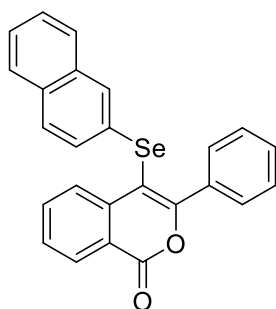
White solid (86 mg, 70% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.39-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.94-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 1H), 7.04-7.01 (m, 1H), 6.92-6.90 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  161.5, 160.4, 138.1, 135.6, 133.8, 132.7, 132.5, 130.3, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.2, 120.9, 103.7.

#### 4-(mesitylselanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3na)



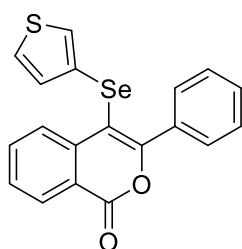
White solid (89 mg, 71% yield); mp 101.6-102.1 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.33-8.31 (m, 1H), 7.84-7.83 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.45-7.37 (m, 3H), 6.71 (s, 2H), 2.18 (s, 6H), 2.16 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  161.9, 156.1, 141.1, 138.6, 137.7, 134.8, 134.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 127.3, 120.7, 107.3, 23.7, 20.7. HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{Se}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  421.0702, found 421.0707.

#### 4-(naphthalen-2-ylselanyl)-3-phenyl-1H-isochromen-1-one (3oa)



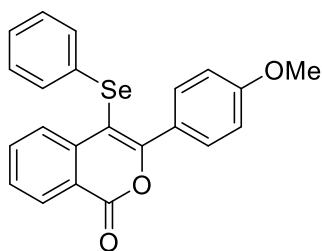
White solid (59 mg, 46% yield); mp 103.5-104.1 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.40-8.39 (m, 1H), 8.10-8.09 (m, 1H), 7.77-7.76 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.63 (m, 4H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.7, 159.8, 138.5, 135.4, 134.1, 134.0, 132.0, 130.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.3, 127.1, 126.7, 126.6, 125.9, 120.9, 104.7. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 429.0389, found 429.0396.

### 3-phenyl-4-(thiophen-3-ylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3pa)



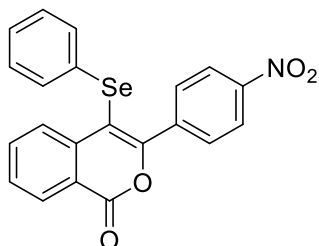
White solid (61mg, 53% yield); mp 95.5-97.2 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.35-8.33 (m, 1H), 8.17-8.16 (m, 1H), 7.76-7.73 (m, 1H), 7.66-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.83-6.82 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.6, 158.9, 138.5, 135.2, 134.1, 130.1, 129.9, 129.7, 129.5, 128.7, 128.2, 127.8, 126.7, 124.1, 123.8, 120.9, 105.8. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>13</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 384.9796, found 384.9796.

### 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(phenylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ab) <sup>[4]</sup>



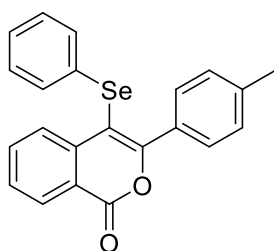
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### 3-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-(phenylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ac)



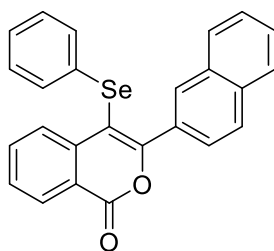
Yellow solid (82 mg, 65% yield); mp 106.7-107.4 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.23-8.21 (m, 2H), 8.10-8.09 (m, 1H), 7.84-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.77-7.74 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.19-7.18 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 160.9, 156.8, 148.4, 139.9, 137.9, 135.7, 131.2, 130.8, 129.9, 129.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.5, 127.0, 123.0, 121.0, 106.8. HRMS (ESI): calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 424.0083, found 424.0076.

### 4-(phenylselanyl)-3-(p-tolyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ad) <sup>[4]</sup>



White solid (82 mg, 70% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.37-8.35 (m, 1H), 8.05-8.03 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 7H), 2.40 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.8, 159.8, 140.4, 138.6, 135.3, 132.0, 131.2, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 126.4, 120.8, 104.3, 21.5.

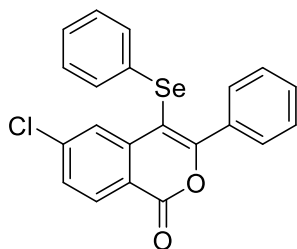
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White solid (114 mg, 89% yield); mp 94.9-96.3 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.40-8.39 (m, 1H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 8.12-8.10 (m, 1H), 7.87-7.82 (m, 3H),

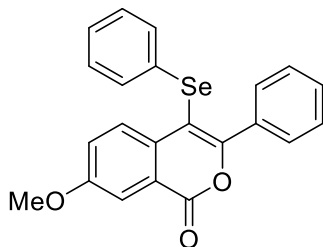
7.78-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.57-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 5H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  161.7, 159.6, 138.6, 135.4, 133.9, 132.3, 132.0, 131.4, 130.1, 129.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 127.7, 127.4, 127.3, 126.6, 126.5, 126.4, 120.9, 105.2. HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2\text{Se}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  429.0389, found 429.0386.

**6-chloro-3-phenyl-4-(phenylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3af)** <sup>[4]</sup>



White solid (108 mg, 87% yield); EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.29-8.28 (m, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.66-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.39 (m, 4H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 5H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  160.9, 160.8, 142.4, 140.3, 133.8, 131.4, 131.3, 130.4, 129.7, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.0, 127.9, 126.9, 119.2, 104.1.

**7-methoxy-3-phenyl-4-(phenylselanyl)-1H-isochromen-1-one (3ag)**

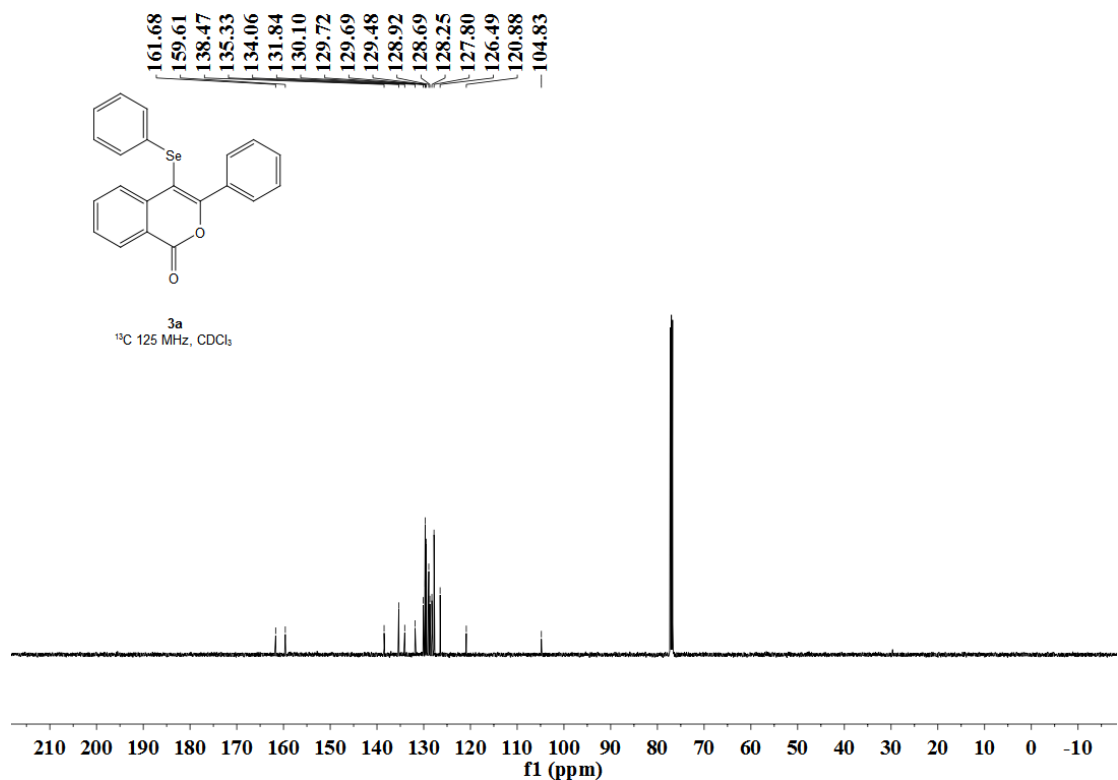
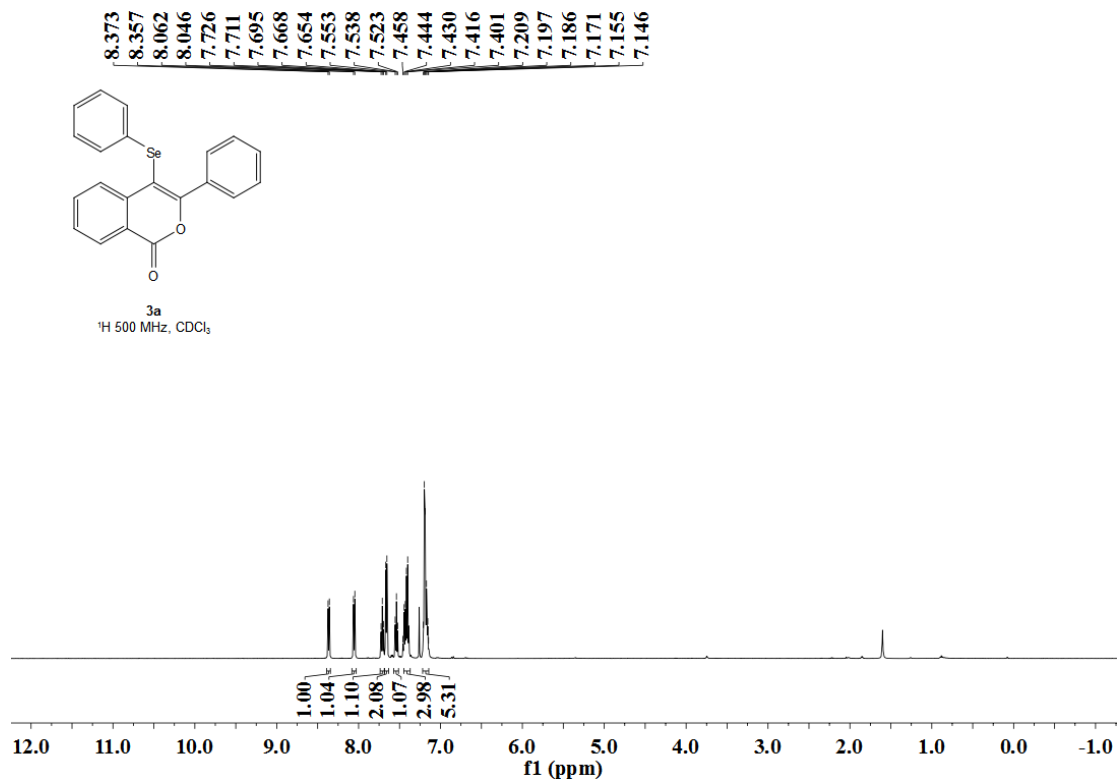


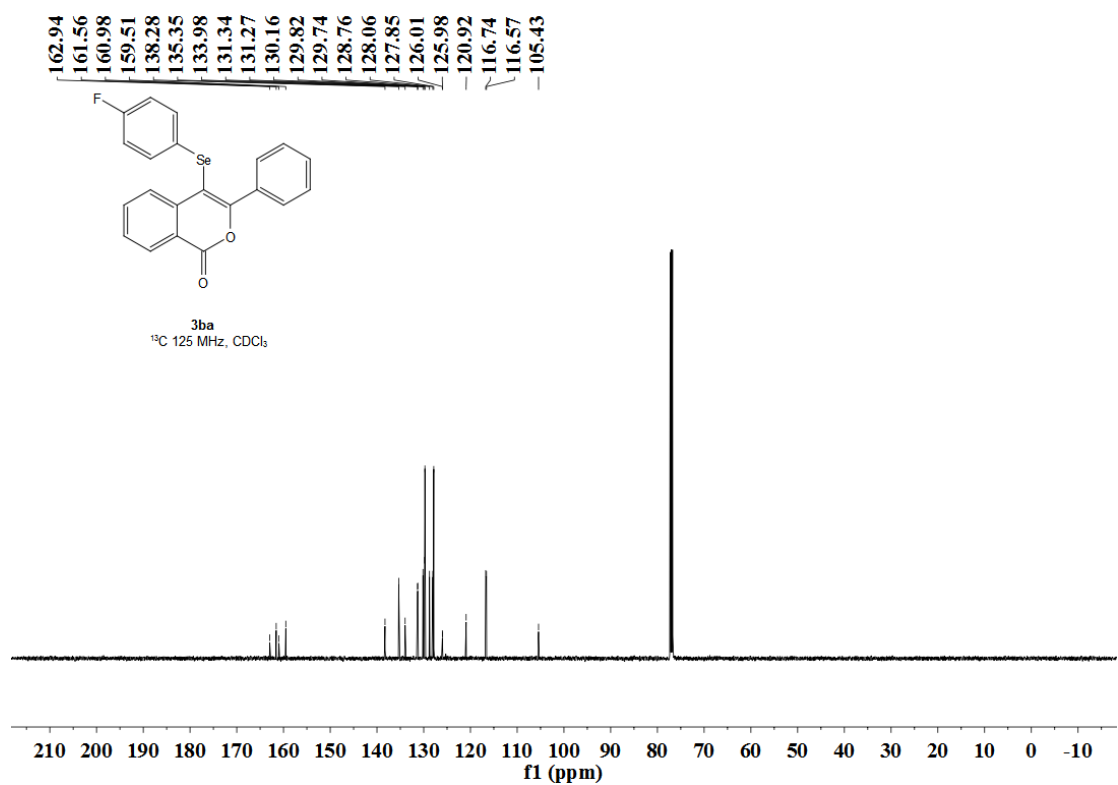
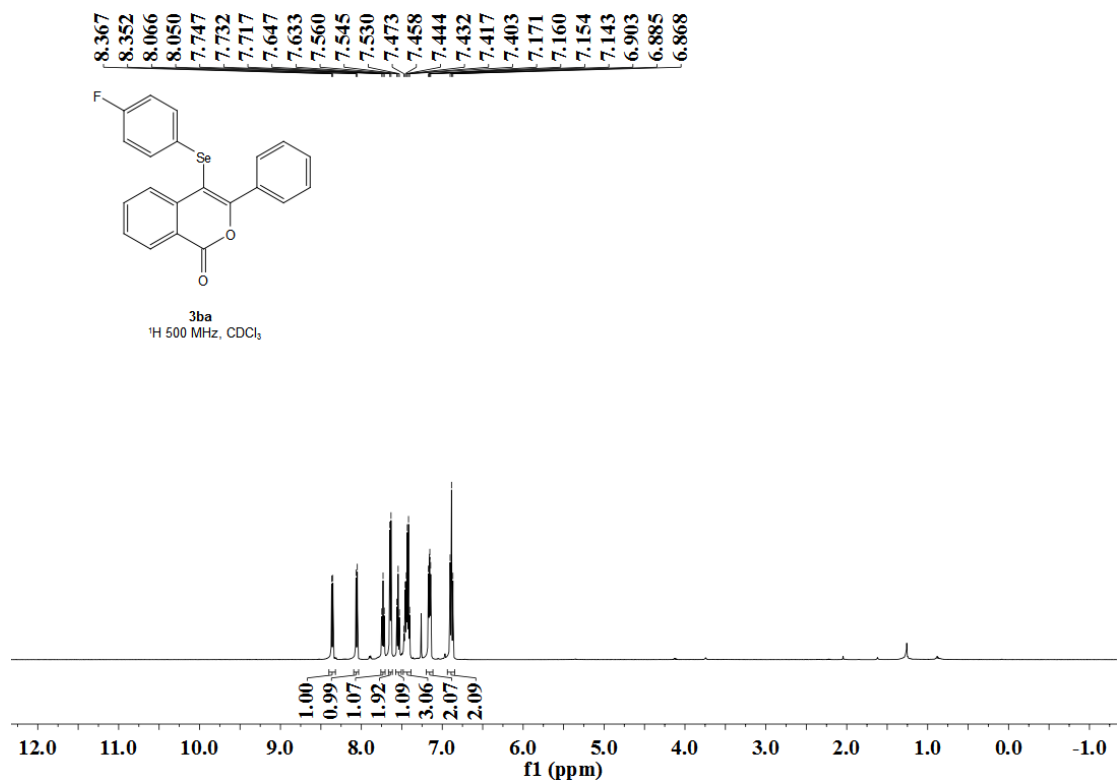
White solid (99 mg, 81% yield); mp 109.8-110.7 °C; EtOAc/PE = 1/40.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.97-7.96 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.77 (m, 1H), 7.66-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 5H), 3.92 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  161.9, 159.9, 157.5, 134.0, 132.1, 131.9, 130.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.8, 126.4, 124.6, 122.0, 110.3, 104.5, 55.8. HRMS (ESI): calculated for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_3\text{Se}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  409.0338, found 409.033.

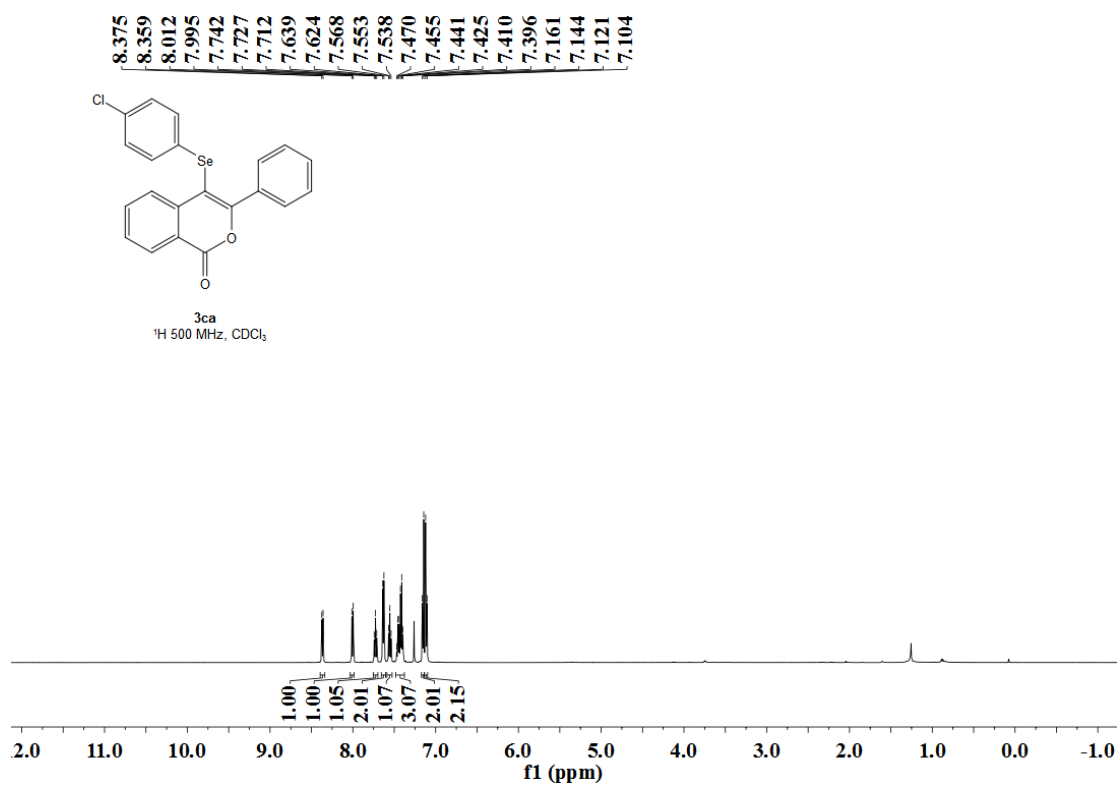
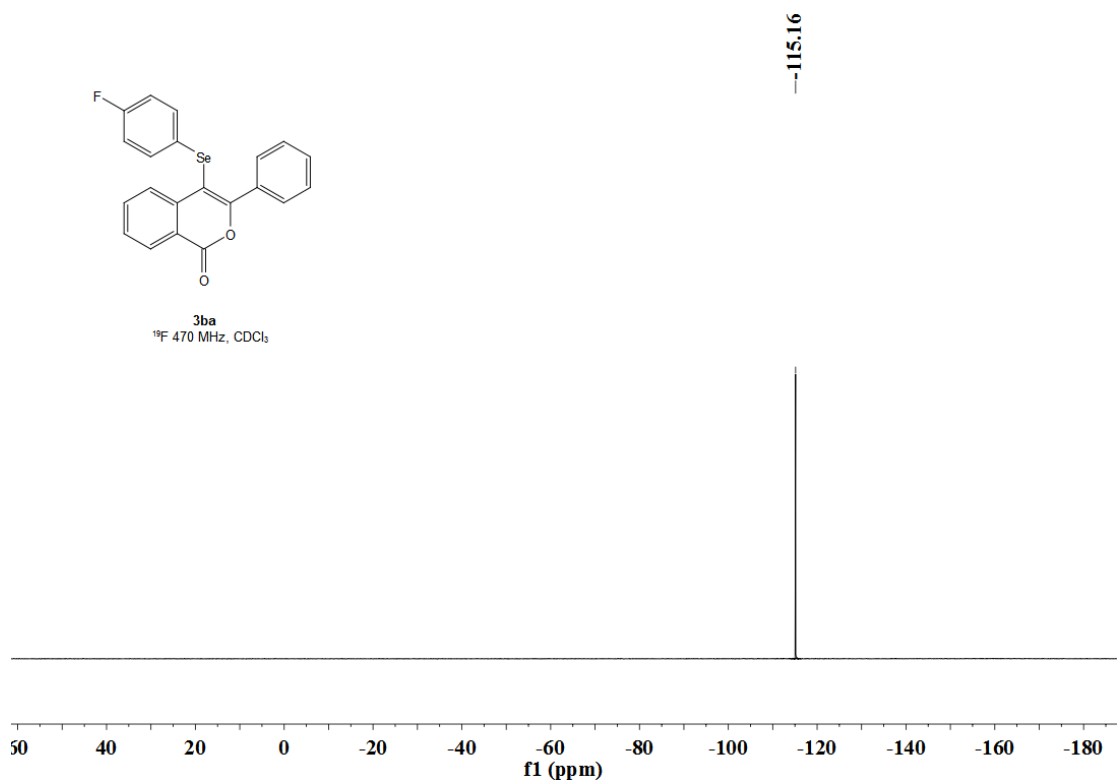
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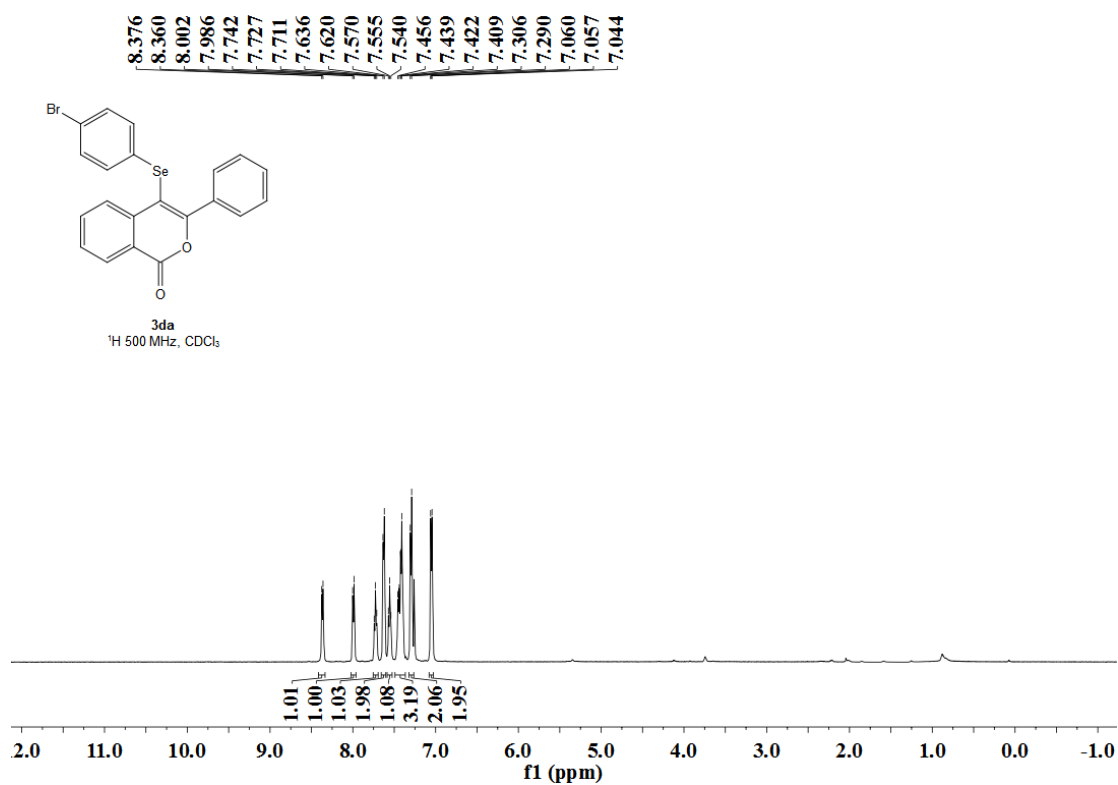
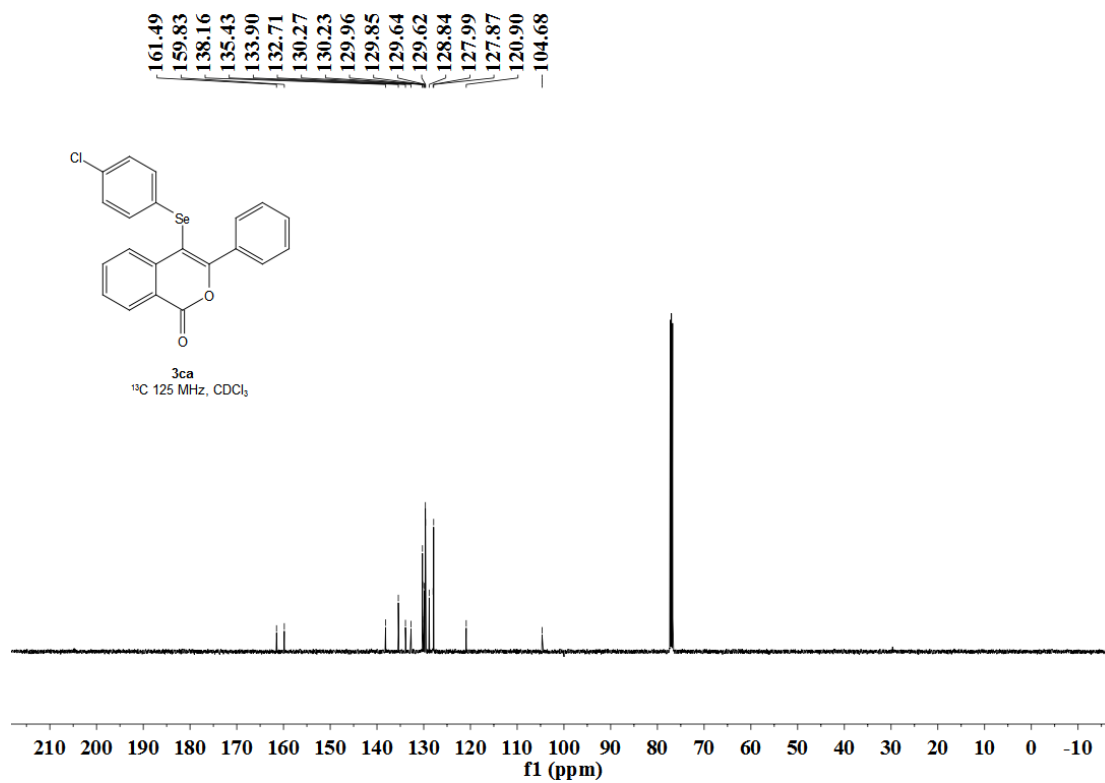
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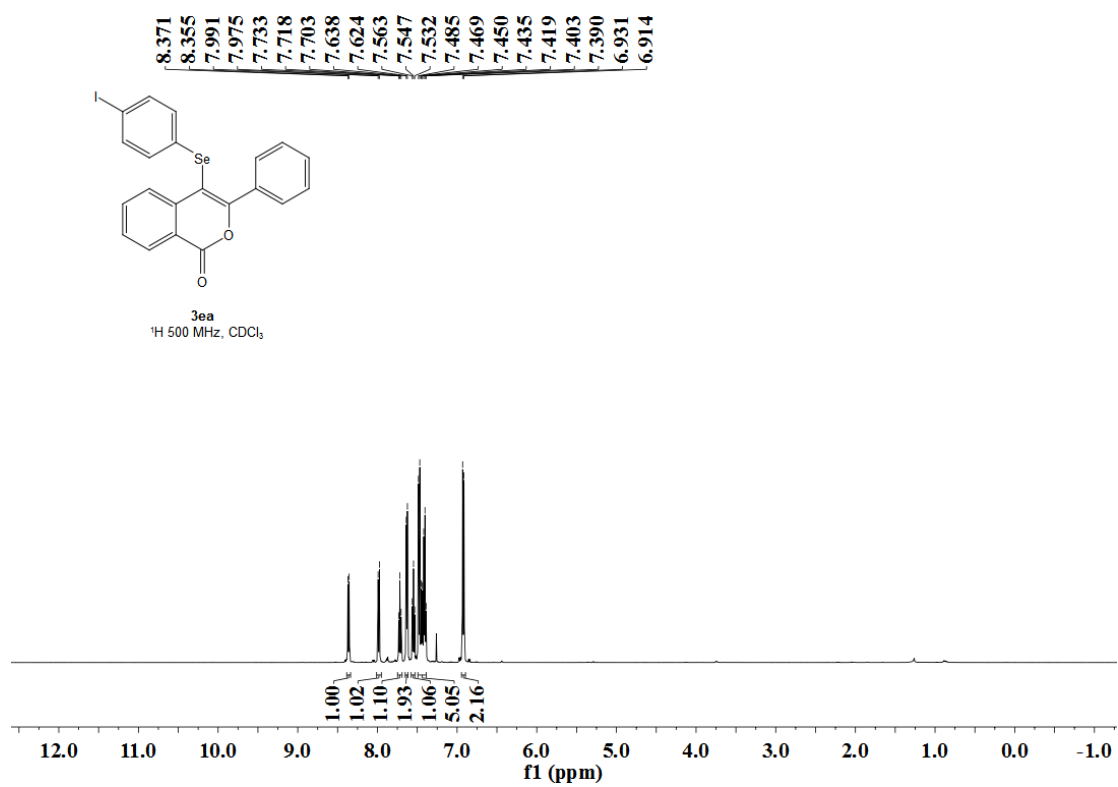
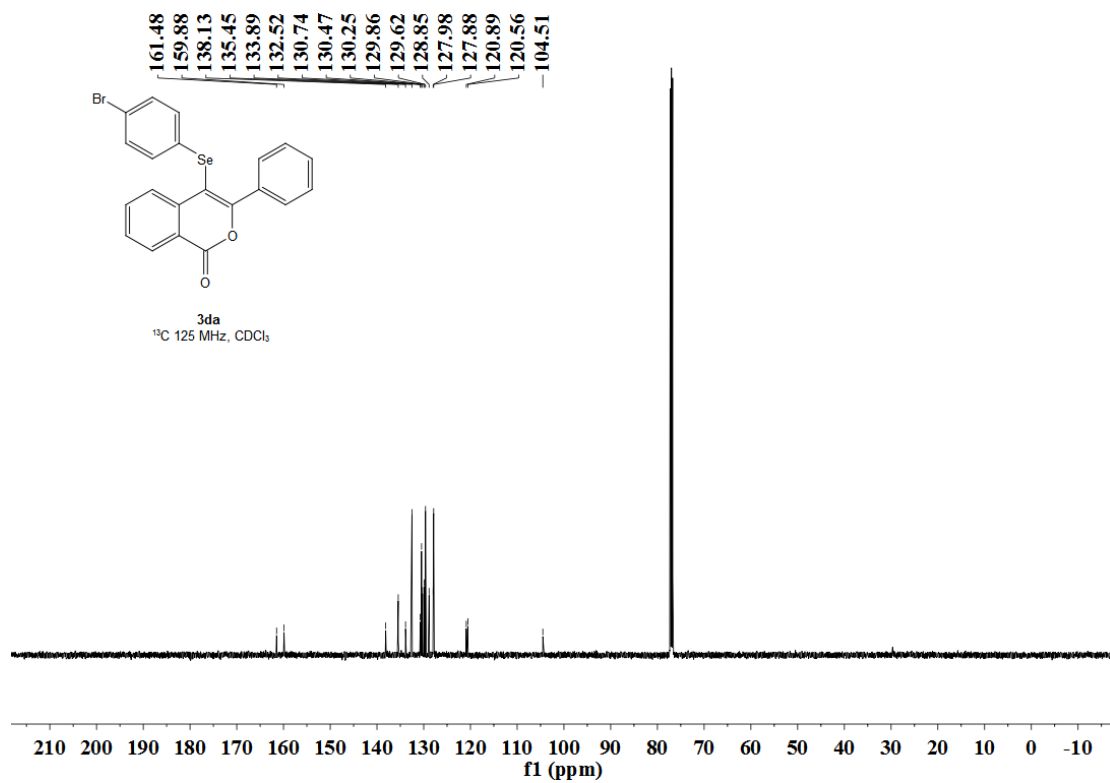


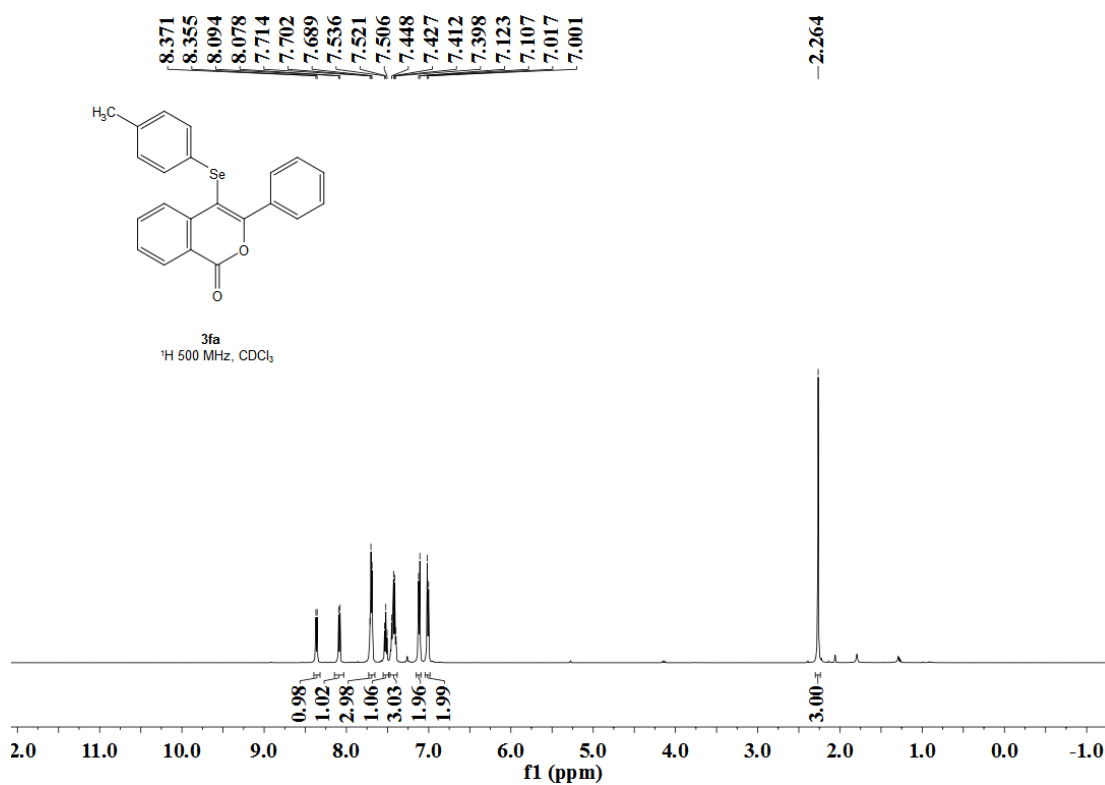
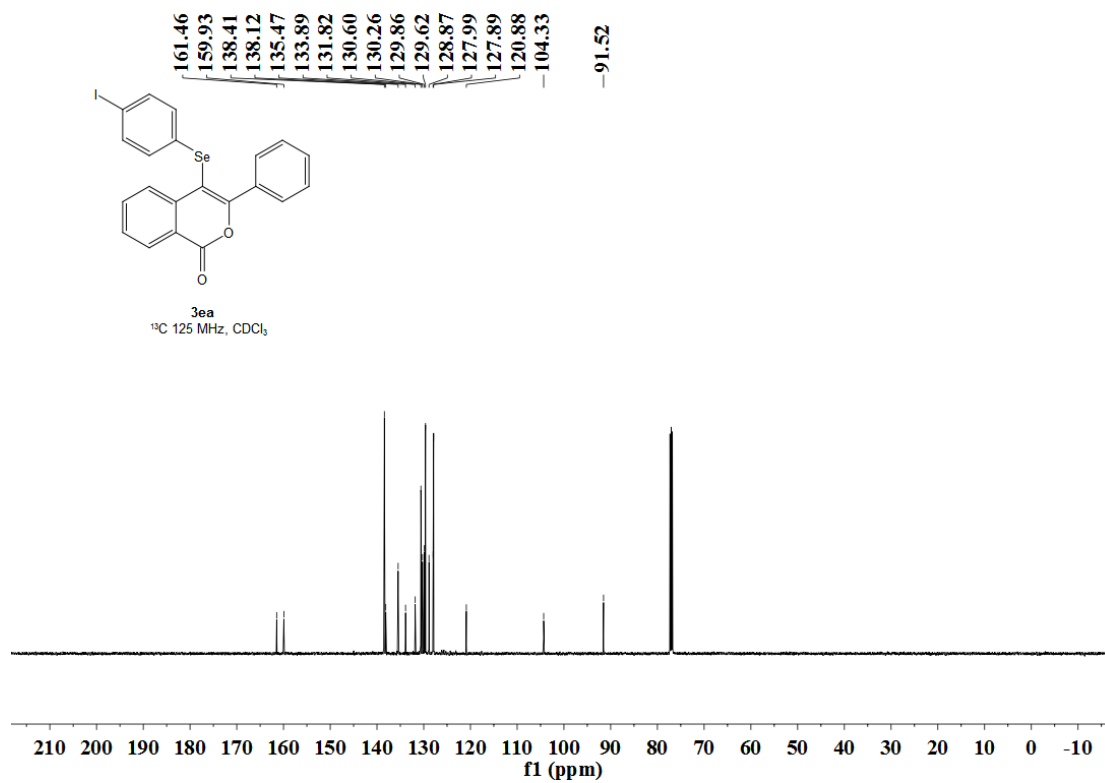


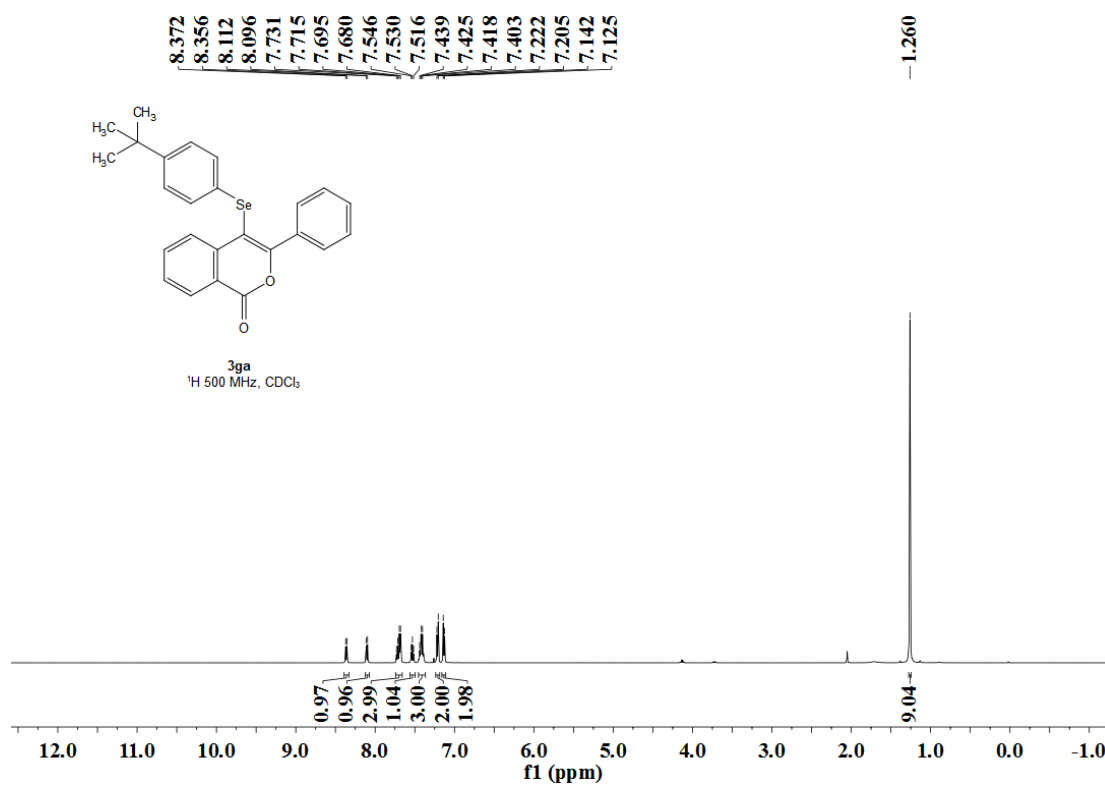
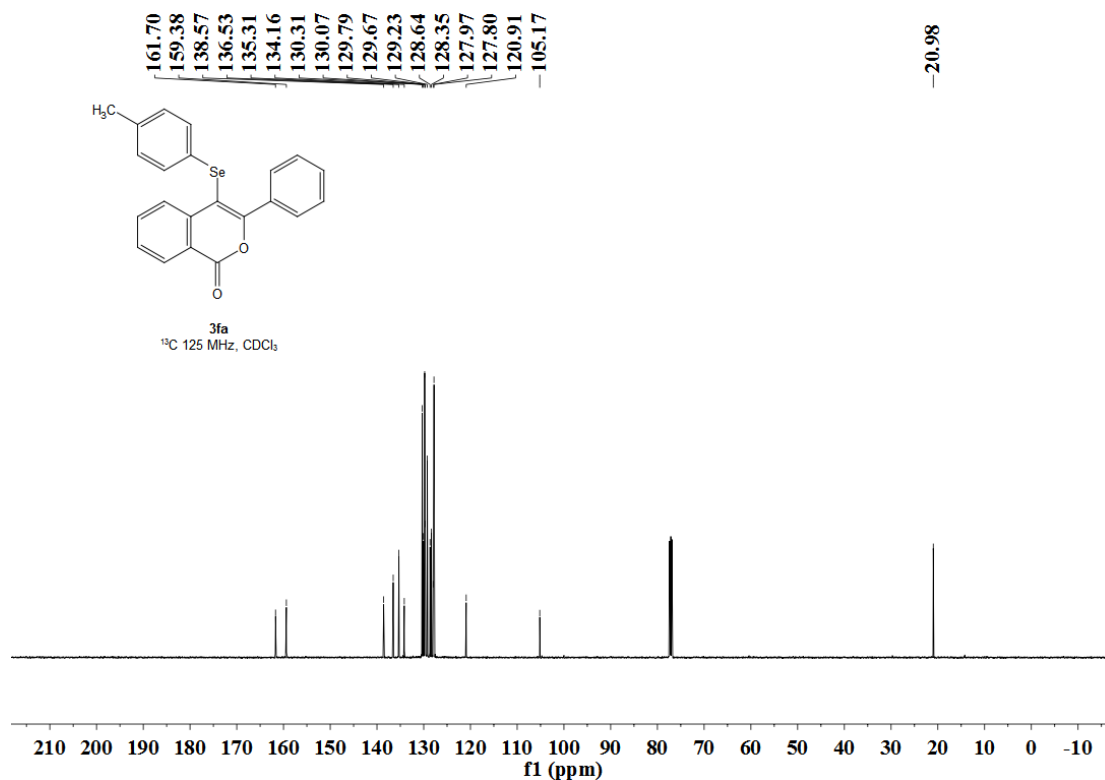


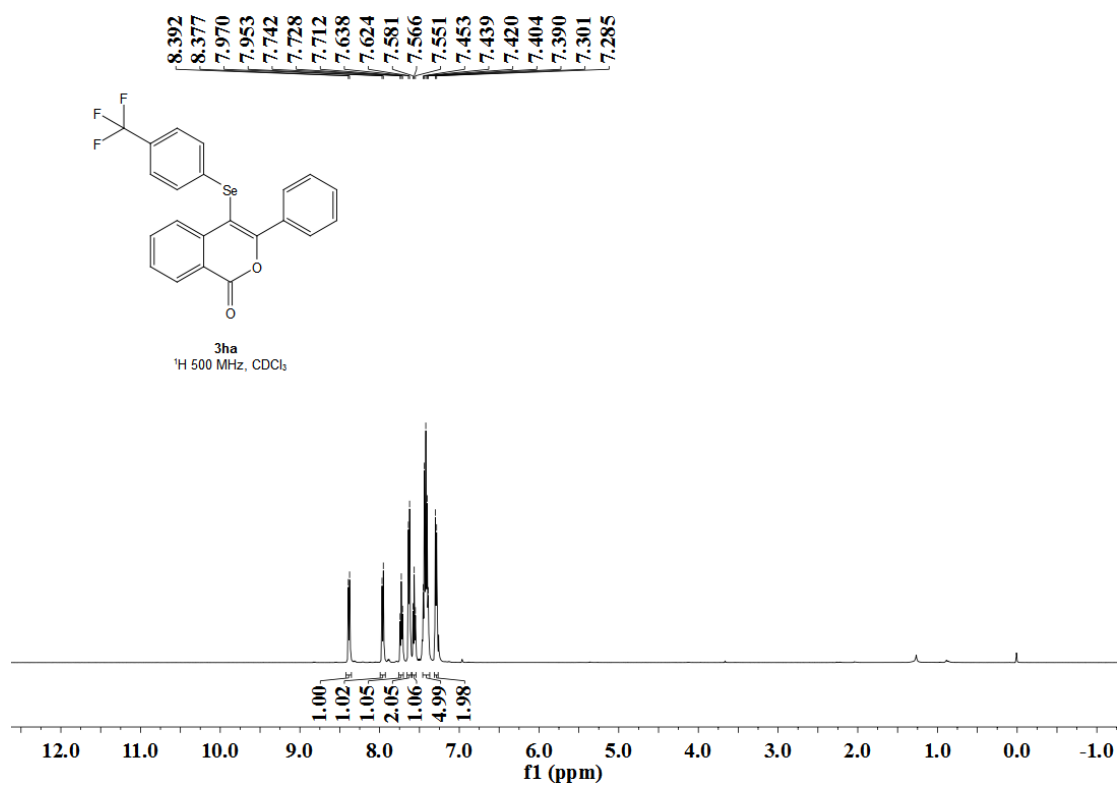
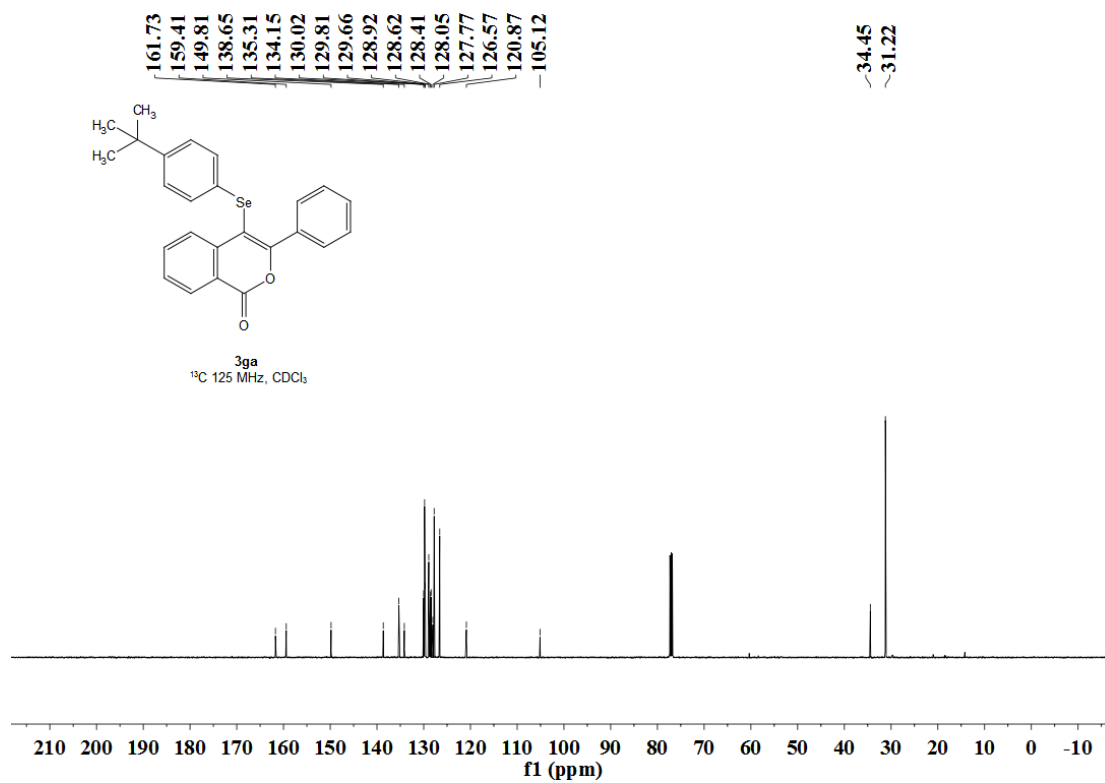


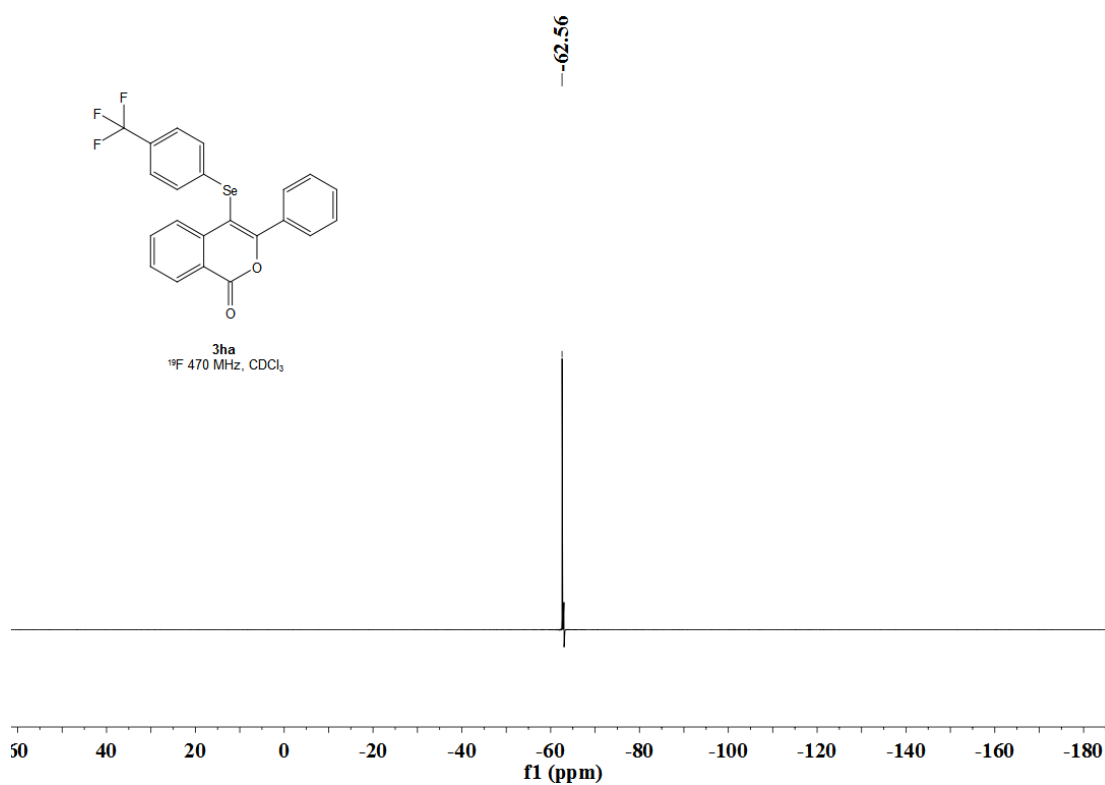
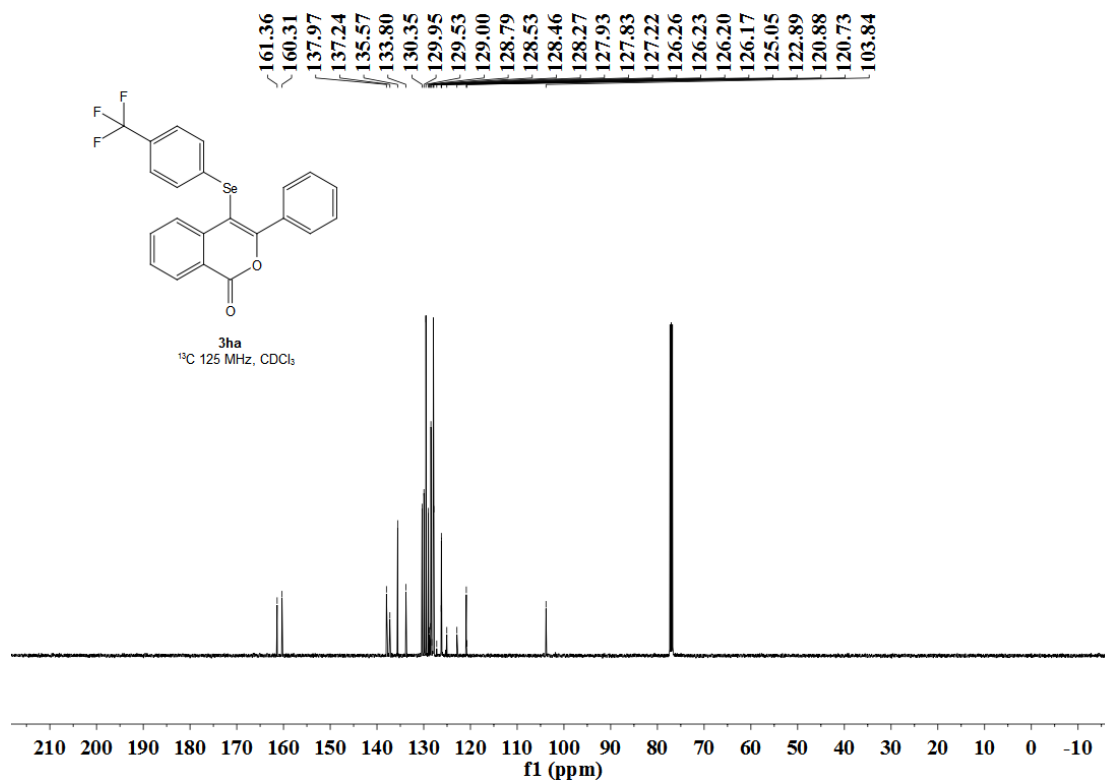


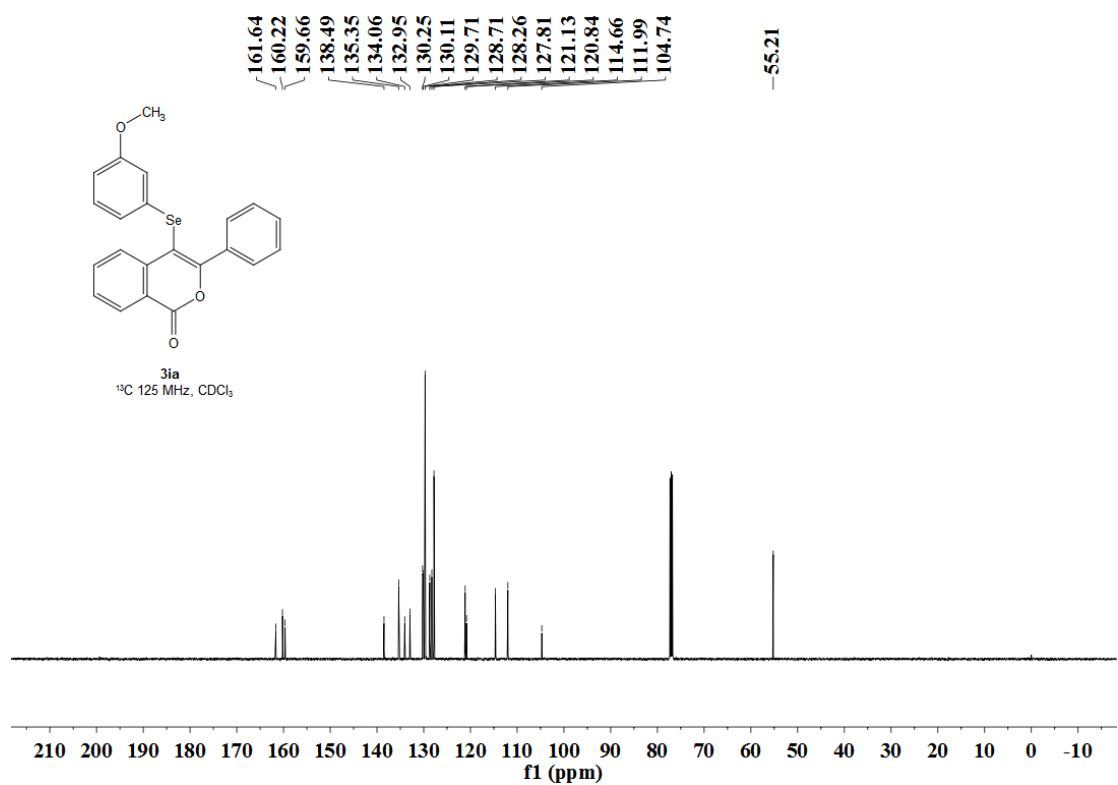
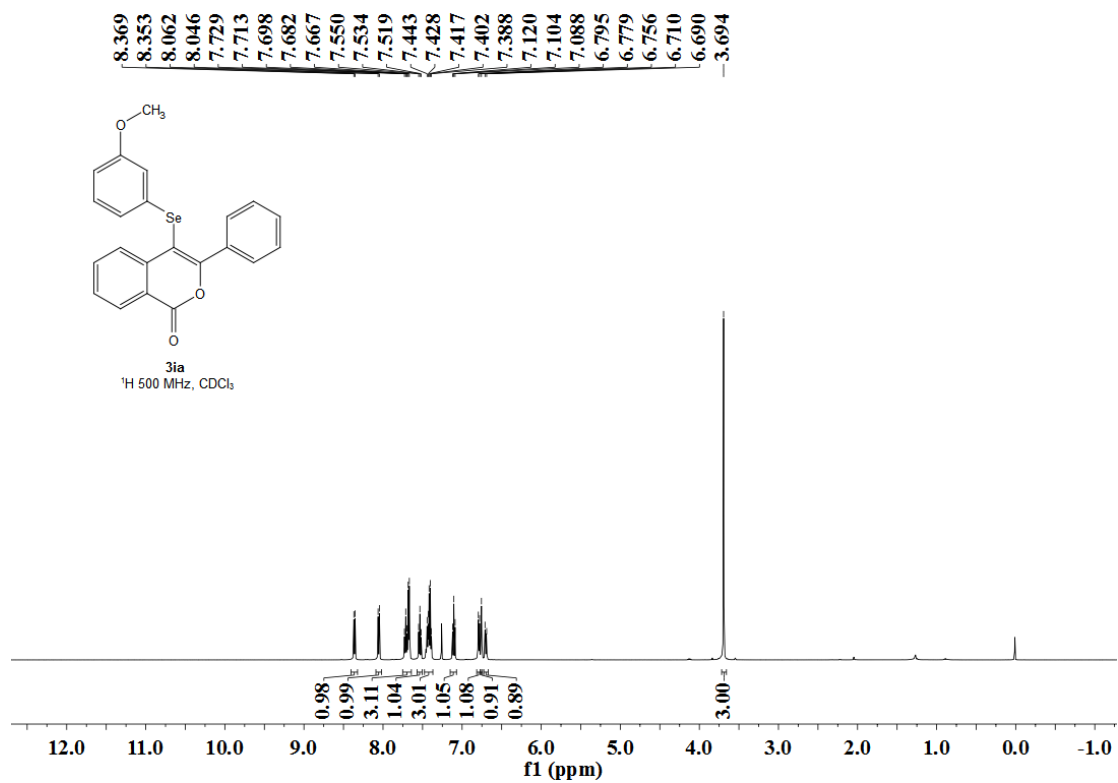


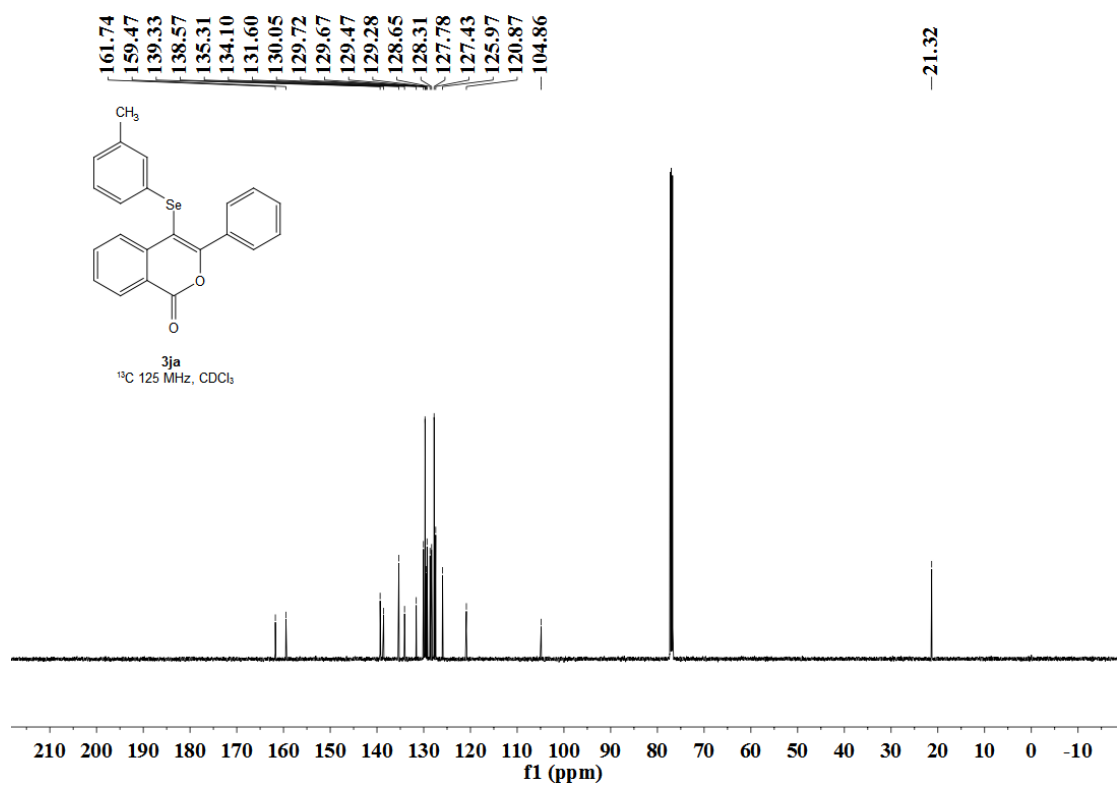
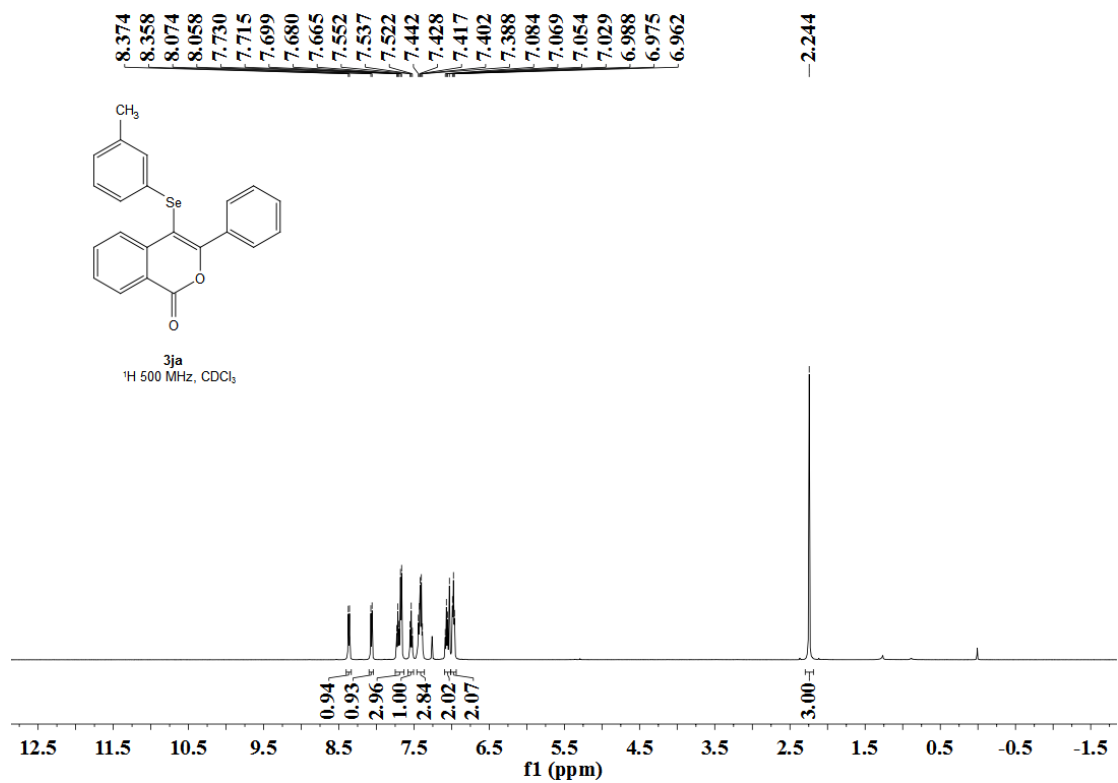




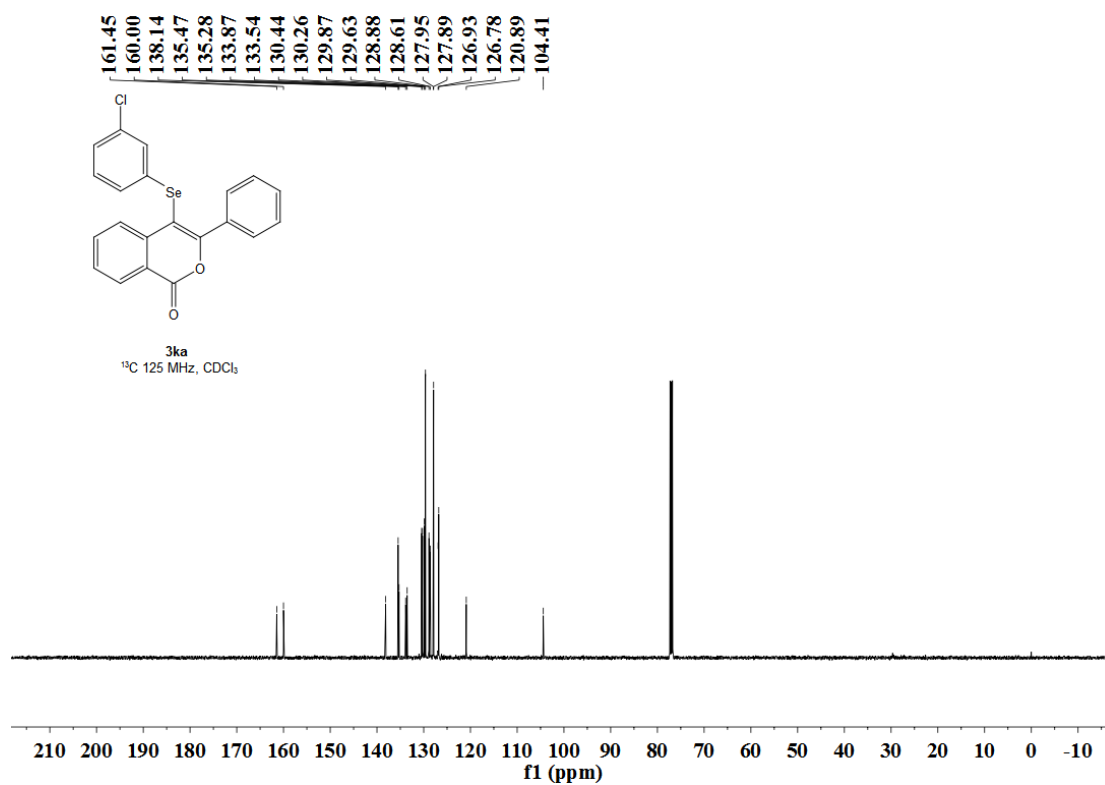
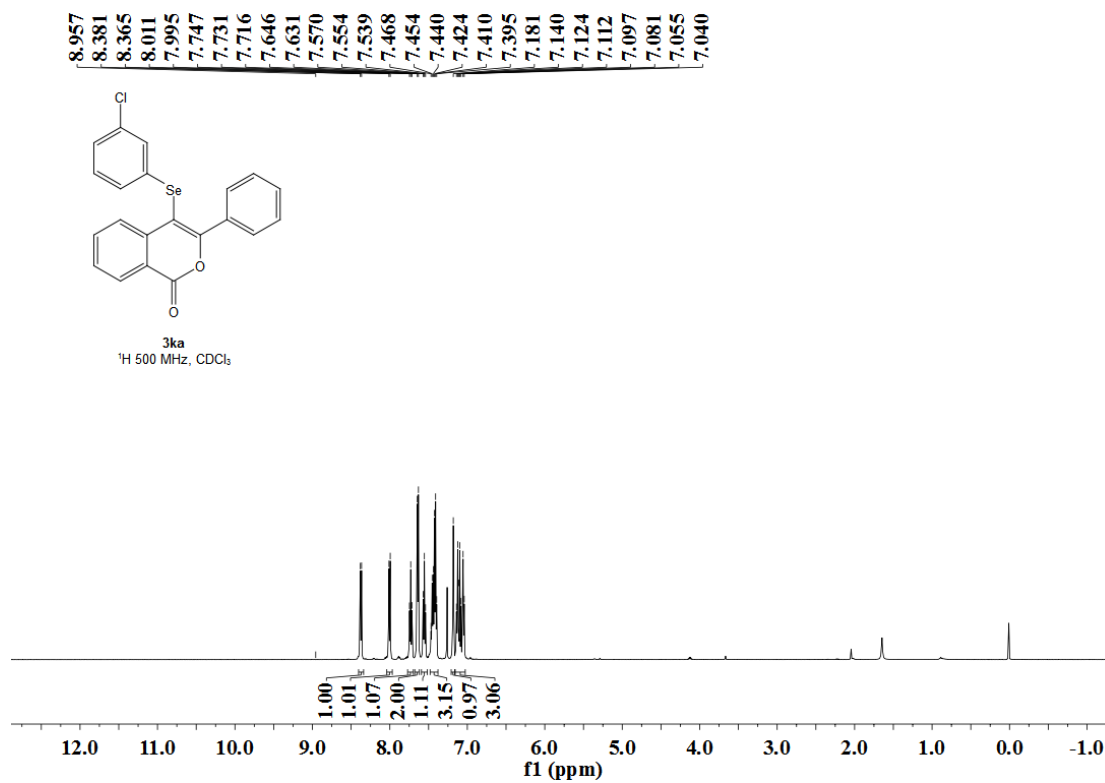


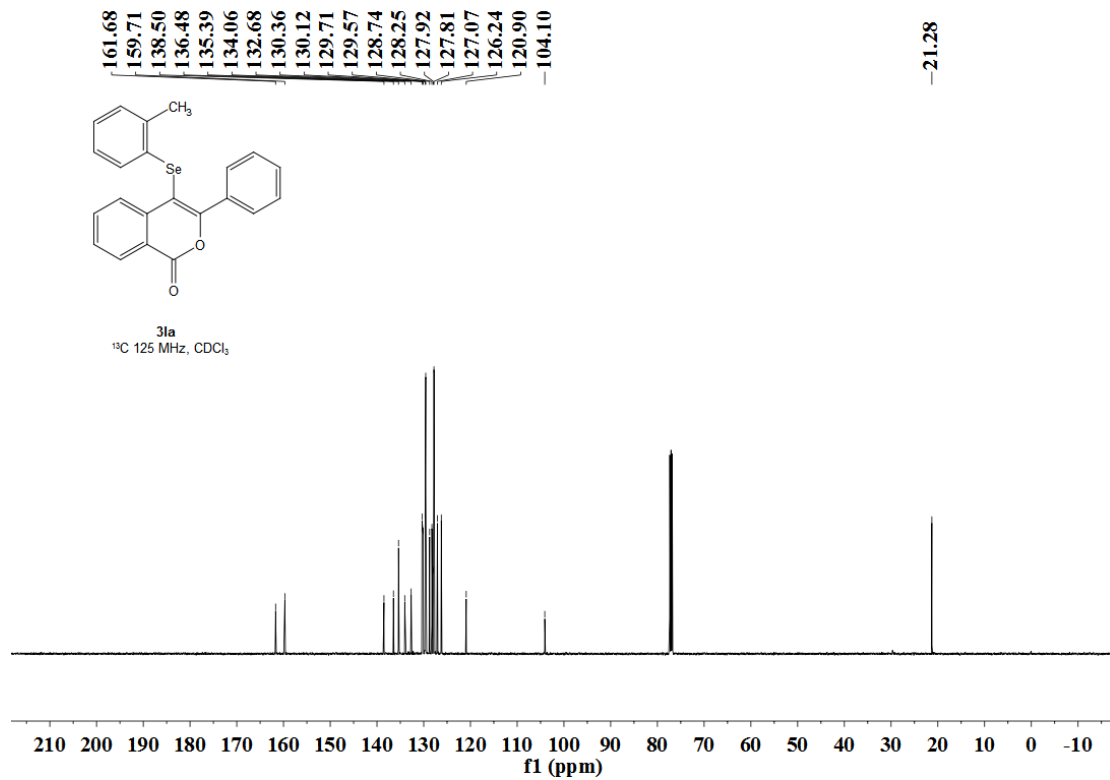
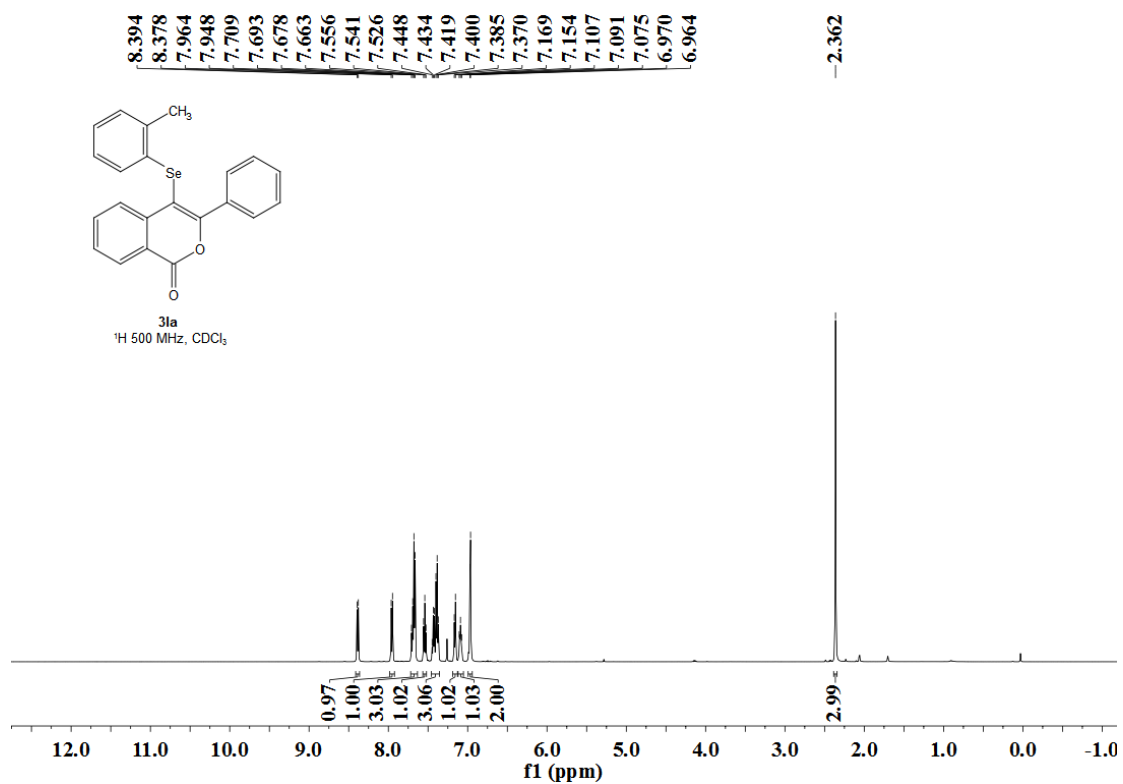




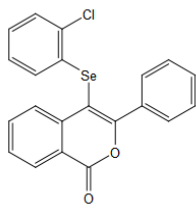




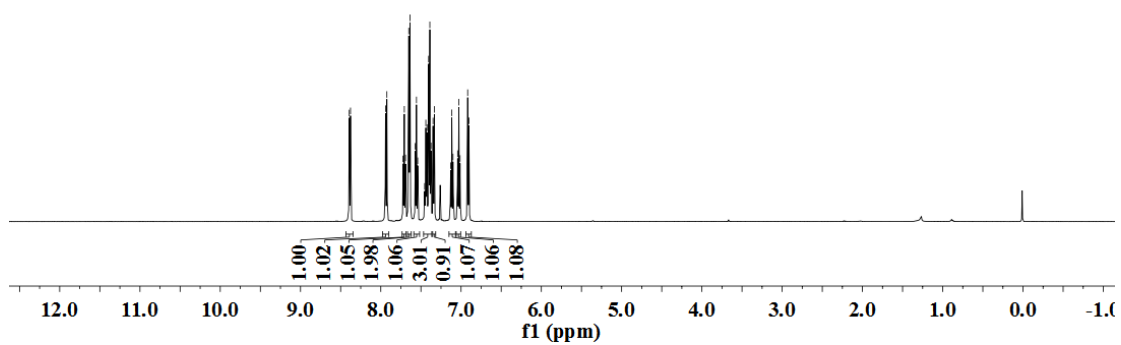




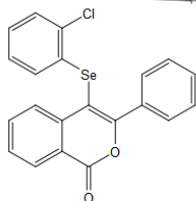
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