

C₂-Symmetric Atropisomeric N-Heterocyclic Carbene-Palladium(II) Complexes: Synthesis, Chiral Resolution and Application in enantioselective α -Arylation of Amides

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I General considerations

All reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used as received. Solvents (THF, DCM, toluene and Et₂O) were purified and dried over Braun solvent purification system (MB-SPS-800) or dried by standard procedures prior to use.¹ Anilines have been prepared according to procedures from the literature.²

Analytical Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) was carried out on Merck silica gel60 F₂₅₄. Products were revealed by ultraviolet light (254 or 366 nm) and stained with dyeing reagents solutions as potassium permanganate solution or *p*-anisaldehyde solution in ethanol followed by gentle heating. Flash chromatography was performed on Combiflash® Companion or with Merck silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh).

¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ and acetone-*d*₆ at ambient temperature on Bruker Avance III 300 or 400 spectrometers operating at 300 and 400 MHz respectively for ¹H. ¹³C nuclei was observed with ¹H decoupling. Solvent residual signals were used as internal standard.³ Chemical shifts (δ) and coupling constants (*J*) are given in ppm and Hz respectively. The peaks patterns are indicated as the following format multiplicity (s: singlet; d: doublet; t: triplet; q: quartet; sept: septuplet; m: multiplet; dd: doublet of doublet; dt: doublet of triplet; dm: doublet of multiplet, etc.). The prefix br. indicates a broadened signal and p. for a pseudo multiplicity.

HRMS were recorded on SYNAPT G2 HDMS (Waters) or on QStar Elite (Applied Biosystems SGIEX) equipped with an Atmospheric Pressure Ionization (API) source. Mass spectra were obtained a Time Of Flight (TOF) analyser.

Melting points (uncorrected) were determined with a Büchi Melting Point B-545.

IR spectra were obtained using a Bruker Alpha Platinum ATR.

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Preparative chiral HPLC separations were performed on an Agilent 1260 Infinity unit (pump G1311C, autosampler G1329B, DAD G1365D and fraction collector G1364C), monitored by Agilent OpenLAB CDS Chemstation LC.

Optical rotations were measured on a Jasco P-2000 polarimeter with a sodium lamp (589 nm), a halogen lamp (578, 546, 436, 405, 365 and 325 nm), in a 10 cm cell, thermostated at 25°C with a Peltier controlled cell holder.

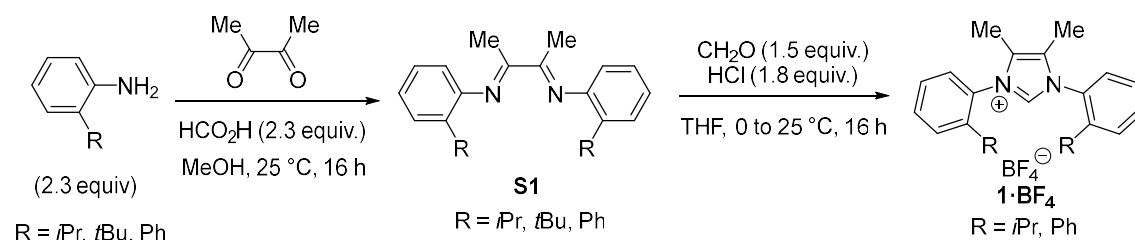
ECD and UV spectra were measured on a JASCO J-815 spectrometer equipped with a JASCO Peltier cell holder PTC-423 to maintain the temperature at 25.0 ± 0.2°C. A CD quartz cell of 1 mm of optical path length was used. The CD spectrometer was purged with nitrogen before recording each spectrum, which was baseline subtracted. The baseline was always measured for the same solvent and in the same cell as the samples. Acquisition parameters: 0.1 nm as intervals, scanning speed 50 nm/min, band width 2 nm, and 3 accumulations per sample. The spectra are presented without smoothing and further data processing.

X-ray Diffraction: Intensity data were collected on an Agilent SuperNova AtlasS2 diffractometer using MoK α radiation (0.71073 Å) at 293(2) K or D8 VENTURE Bruker AXS diffractometer equipped with a (CMOS) PHOTON 100 detector using MoK α radiation (0.71073 Å) at *T* = 150 K. Data reduction was performed using the CrysAlisPro software package (version 1.171.37.31) or SHELXT program. The structures were resolved using the software SHELXS-97 by the direct methods and refined using SHELXL-2013-4. The CIF files of imidazolium salts and palladium complexes have been deposited with

CCDC numbers 2049184 ((+)-(R_a,R_a)-**2d**), 2049185 ((+)-(R_a,R_a)-**2f**), 2049186 ((-)-(R_a,R_a)-**2e**), 2250208 (*trans*-**1e**·BF₄), 2250209 (*trans*-**1f**·BF₄), 2250210 (*meso*-**2a**), 2250211 ((±)-**2c**), 2250212 (*meso*-**2d**), 2250213 (*meso*-**2c**), 2250214 (*meso*-**2f**), 2250215 ((-)-(1S_a,2R_a)-*cis*-**2b**).

Enantiomeric excesses were determined by HPLC analysis (High Performance Liquid Chromatography) on Alliance e2695 Waters® HPLC with a UV/visible detector 2489 Waters®.

II Imidazolium salts synthesis

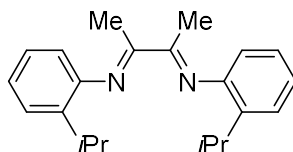


Scheme S1. Preparation of imidazolium via a diimine

General Procedure A: Synthesis of diimines **S1**

To a solution of the aniline (57.5 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) in methanol (40 mL) at room temperature, biacetyl (25 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and formic acid (57.5 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) were added. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 hours. The yellow solid was collected by filtration, washed with methanol (3 x 5 mL) and dried under vacuum to get the diamine **S1**.

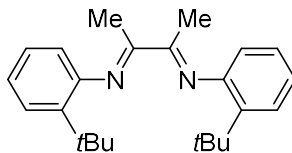
***N*²,*N*³-Bis(2-isopropylphenyl)butane-2,3-diimine **S1a**⁴**



According to the general procedure **A**, from 2-isopropylaniline (7.76 g, 57.5 mmol, 2.3 mmol), biacetyl (2.15 g, 25.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and formic acid (2.65 g, 57.5 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), the title product was obtained as a yellow solid (5.20 g, 65% yield).

R_f = 0.85 (PE/Et₂O 20:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.33 (dd, *J*(H, H) = 7.3 and 1.5 Hz, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.22-7.16 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.15-7.09 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.61 (dd, *J*(H, H) = 7.7 and 1.4 Hz, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 2.97 (hept, *J*(H, H) = 6.9 Hz, 2H, CH), 2.17 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.21 (d, *J*(H, H) = 6.9 Hz, 12H, CH(CH₃)₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 167.7 (C), 148.5 (C), 137.9 (C), 126.2 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 124.5 (CH), 118.1 (CH), 28.7 (CH), 22.9 (CH₃), 15.8 (CH₃).

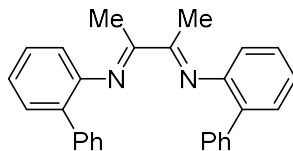
***N*²,*N*³-Bis(2-*tert*butylphenyl)butane-2,3-diimine **S1b**⁴**



According to the general procedure **A**, from 2-*tert*butylaniline (8.57 g, 57.5 mmol, 2.3 mmol), biacetyl (2.15 g, 25.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and formic acid (2.65 g, 57.5 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), the title was obtained as a yellow solid (7.78 g, 93% yield).

R_f = 0.95 (PE/Et₂O 20 :1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.42 (dd, *J*(H, H) = 7.9 and 1.4 Hz, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.22-7.16 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.11-7.05 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.51 (dd, *J*(H, H) = 7.7 and 1.4 Hz, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 2.20 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.35 (s, 18H, C(CH₃)₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 166.9 (C), 149.5 (C), 139.5 (C), 126.6 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 124.2 (CH), 119.4 (CH), 35.3 (C), 29.7 (CH₃), 16.5 (CH₃).

N^2,N^3 -Di([1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)butane-2,3-diimine **S1c**



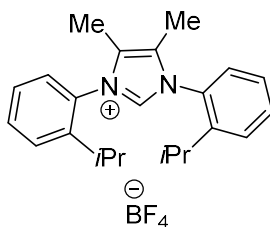
According to the general procedure **A**, from 2-phenylaniline (9.72 g, 57.5 mmol, 2.3 mmol), biacetyl (2.15 g, 25.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and formic acid (2.65 g, 57.5 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), the title compound was obtained as a yellow solid (8.55 g, 88% yield).

Rf = 0.90 (PE/Et₂O 20 :1). **Mp** = 173.3-173.5 °C. **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.38-7.20 (m, 14H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.19-7.11 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.70-6.64 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 1.80 (s, 6H, *CH₃*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 167.7 (C), 148.5 (C), 137.9 (C), 126.2 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 124.5 (CH), 118.1 (CH), 28.7 (CH), 22.9 (CH₃), 15.8 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 389.2012 calcd for C₂₈H₂₅N₂⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 389.2013. **IR (ATR)**: 3050, 3018, 1631, 1590, 1561, 1498, 1448, 1429, 1356, 1285, 1248, 1195, 1154, 1119, 1071, 1045, 1008, 994, 973, 943, 912, 878, 850, 813, 771, 753, 741, 722, 701, 656, 614, 574, 528 cm⁻¹.

General Procedure B: Preparation of imidazolium salt **1** from diamine **S1**

To a solution of the diimine **S1** (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in dry THF (100 mL), a mixture of paraformaldehyde (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and HCl (2M in Et₂O, 18 mmol, 1.8 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C under argon atmosphere. The resulting mixture was slowly warmed up to 25 °C and stirred for 16 hours. The solvent was removed under vacuum. Water (100 mL) was added in the residue and sat. NaHCO₃ solution was added to adjust the pH to 7. The aqueous phase was extracted by ethyl acetate (2 x 50 mL) and KBF₄ (20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added to the aqueous phase. The mixture was stirred for 1 hour at 25 °C and then extracted by dichloromethane (3 x 100 mL). The combined dichloromethane phase was dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column (DCM/acetone = 9:1) to give the imidazolium salt **1**.

1,3-Bis(2-isopropylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1a**·BF₄

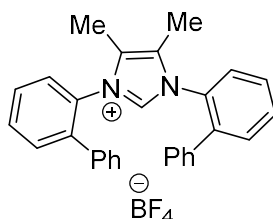


According to the general procedure **B**, from N^2,N^3 -Bis(2-isopropylphenyl)butane-2,3-diimine **S1a** (5.2 g, 16.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), paraformaldehyde (0.73 g, 24.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), HCl (14.6 mL, 2M in Et₂O, 29.2 mmol, 1.8 equiv.) and KBF₄ (4.11 g, 32.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), the title compound was obtained as a white solid (1.8 g, 26% yield).

Rf = 0.45 (DCM/acetone = 9:1). **Mp** = 193.4-193.9 °C In CDCl₃ (25 °C) this imidazolium salt exists in two isomeric forms in a 9:1 ratio (unassigned). **¹H NMR** chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 8.48 (s, 0.1H, NCHN, *min*), 8.29(s, 0.9H, NCHN, *maj*), 7.86 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 8.0 and 1.3 Hz, 1.8H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 7.64-7.55 (m, 2.4H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.53-7.44 (m, 4H, *H^{Ar}*), 2.70 (sept, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 0.2H, CH, *min*), 2.48 (sept, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 0.8H, CH, *maj*), 2.18 (s, 0.6H, CH₃, *min*), 2.15 (s, 5.4H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.35-1.29 (m, 6H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.25 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 0.6H, CH(CH₃)₂, *min*), 1.18 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 5.4H, CH(CH₃)₂, *maj*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 145.6 (C), 147.7 (C), 144.0 (CH), 133.9 (CH), 130.5 (C), 130.3 (C), 129.4 (C), 129.1 (C), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.0

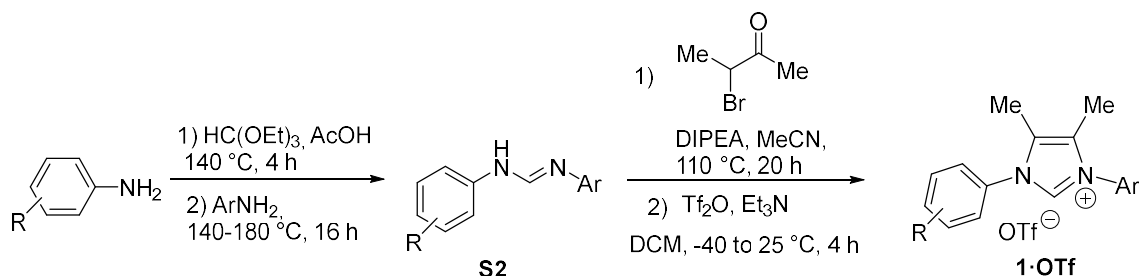
(CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 28.4 (CH), 28.1 (CH), 24.7 (CH₃), 24.6 (CH₃), 23.1 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 8.9 (CH₃), 8.8 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃):** -152.2 (s, 4F, BF₄). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 333.2325 calcd for C₂₃H₂₉N₂⁺ [C]⁺: found 333.2314. **IR (ATR):** 3124, 3065, 2961, 2926, 2868, 2358, 2165, 2079, 2029, 2002, 1980, 1637, 1543, 1491, 1451, 1390, 1368, 1353, 1308, 1285, 1253, 1225, 1202, 1167, 1098, 1044, 1026, 884, 842, 773, 755, 721, 671, 660, 627, 601, 573, 553, 520, 507 cm⁻¹.

1,3-Bis(2-phenylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate 1c·BF₄



According to the general procedure B, from *N*²,*N*³-Bis(2-phenylphenyl)butane-2,3-diimine (8.5 g, 21.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), paraformaldehyde (0.99 g, 32.9 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), HCl (19.7 mL, 2M in Et₂O, 39.4 mmol, 1.8 equiv.) and KBF₄ (5.54 g, 44.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), the title compound was isolated as a white solid (2.12 g, 20% yield).

R_f = 0.65 (DCM/acetone = 9:1). **Mp** = 246.1-246.6 °C. **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 8.59 (s, 1H, NCHN), 8.00-7.56 (m, 6H, H^{Ar}), 7.55-7.48 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 7.43-7.31 (m, 6H, H^{Ar}), 7.15-6.95 (m, 4H, H^{Ar}), 1.76 (s, 6H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃COCD₃):** δ = 139.9 (C), 137.3 (C), 132.6 (CH), 132.5 (CH), 131.8 (C), 130.2 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 8.8 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = -153.0 (s, 4F, BF₄). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 401.2012 calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₂⁺ [C]⁺: found 401.2019. **IR (ATR):** 3137, 3060, 2362, 1635, 1596, 1541, 1508, 1483, 1435, 1283, 1217, 1180, 1157, 1100, 1048, 1029, 1008, 952, 923, 841, 770, 739, 704, 660, 626, 611, 597, 553, 518 cm⁻¹.

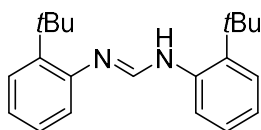


Scheme S2. Preparation of imidazolium via a formamidine

General Procedure C: Preparation of symmetrical formamidines S2

Acetic acid (85 μL, 1.5 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) was added to a round bottom flask charged with the aniline (30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and triethyl orthoformate (5 mL, 30 mmol, 0.5 equiv.). The flask was fitted with a distillation head and stirred at 140 °C for 2 h, then at 160 °C for 2 h and finally at 180 °C for 12 h, until ethanol (3.5 mL, 30 mmol) was collected by distillation. After cooling to room temperature, the crude material was triturated with hexane (100 mL)/dichloromethane (20 mL) at -18 °C and filtered to give the expected product.

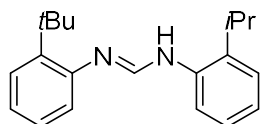
*N*¹-(2-*tert*butylphenyl)-*N*-(2-*tert*butylphenyl)formamidine S2b



According to general procedure **C**, 2-*tert*butylaniline (4.47 g, 30 mmol), triethyl orthoformate (2.5 mL, 15 mmol) and acetic acid (43 μ L, 0.75 mmol) were heated at 140 °C for 12 hours. The crude material was triturated with hexane (15 mL) at -18 °C. The resulting solid was recrystallized in acetone to give a white solid (2.7 g, 57%).

Rf = 0.55 (PE/EtOAc = 9:1). In CDCl_3 (25 °C) this formamidine exists in two isomeric forms in a 4:1 ratio (unassigned). $^1\text{H NMR}$ chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.84 (s, 1H, NCHN), 7.41-7.34 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 7.20-7.15 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 7.10-6.90 (m, 5H, NH and H^{Ar}), 1.48 (s, 9H, CH_3). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 147.8 (CH), 141.2 (C), 138.6 (C), 127.2 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 123.9 (CH), 121.5 (CH), 35.2 (C), 30.6 (CH_3).

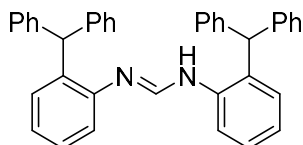
N'*-(2-(*tert*butyl)phenyl)-*N*-(2-isopropylphenyl)formamidine **S2b'*



Acetic acid (43 μ L, 0.75 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) was added to a round bottom flask charged with 2-*isobutyl*aniline (2.05 g, 15 mmol), and triethyl orthoformate (2.5 mL, 15 mmol, 1.0 equiv.). The flask was fitted with a distillation head and was stirred and heated to 140 °C for 12 h and at 160 °C for 2 h. 2-*tert*butylaniline (2.23 g, 15 mmol) was added and the mixture was heated to 140 °C for 12 h and at 160 °C for 2 h, then cooled to room temperature. The crude material was triturated with hexane (15 mL) at -18 °C. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 20:1) to give a white solid (2.24 g, 34%).

Rf = 0.25 (PE/EtOAc = 20:1). **Mp** = 118.5-119.3 °C $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.90 (s, 1H, NCHN), 7.37 (dd, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 7.8 and 1.6 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.29 (d, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.22-7.04 (m, 6H, NH and H^{Ar}), 6.86 (d, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 3.21 (sept, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 6.9 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 1.46 (s, 9H, $\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$), 1.30 (d, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 6.9 Hz, 6H, CH_3). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 147.8 (CH), 144.2 (CH), 142.1 (C), 138.2 (C), 127.1 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 123.9 (CH), 121.6 (CH), 118.4 (CH), 35.5 (C), 30.6 (CH_3), 27.8 (CH_3), 23.0 (CH_3). **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z 295.2169 calcd for: $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] $^+$: found 295.2169. **IR (ATR)**: 3191, 3057, 2995, 2955, 2927, 2865, 2359, 2341, 1651, 1636, 1599, 1586, 1568, 1508, 1480, 1449, 1389, 1361, 1348, 1275, 1253, 1201, 1159, 1127, 1085, 1051, 1037, 994, 936, 904, 844, 809, 745, 638, 612 cm^{-1} .

N'*-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-*N*-(2-benzhydrylphenyl) formamidine **S2d*

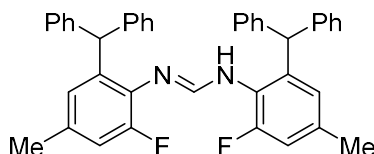


According to the general procedure **C**, from 2-benzhydrylaniline (5.19 g, 20 mmol), triethyl orthoformate (1.66 mL, 10 mmol) and acetic acid (57 μ L, 0.5 mmol) a white solid was obtained (4.80 g, 91%).

Rf = 0.32 (PE/ Et₂O 1:1). **Mp** = 199.2-119.9 °C. In CDCl_3 (25 °C), this formamidine exists as a mixture of rotamers. $^1\text{H NMR}$ chemical shifts cannot be denoted. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.45-6.95 (m,

24.4H, H^{Ar} and $N=CH$ and NH), 6.90-6.78 (m, 4H, H^{Ar}), 6.70-6.60 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 6.48 (s, 0.6H, H^{Ar}), 6.00-5.90 (m, 0.2H, CH), 5.85-5.65 (m, 1.6H, CH), 5.00 (s, 0.2H, CH). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 148.7 (CH), 143.8 (C), 143.2 (C), 135.9 (C), 130.0 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 123.8 (CH), 120.0 (CH), 52.0 (CH). HRMS (ESI): m/z : 529.2638 calcd for: $C_{39}H_{33}N_2^+$ [$M+H$] $^+$: found 529.2637. IR (ATR): 3057, 3024, 2863, 2324, 1668, 1589, 1493, 1478, 1447, 1301, 1206, 1153, 1090, 1075, 1030, 983, 920, 808, 776, 747, 732, 697, 658, 606, 539 cm^{-1} .

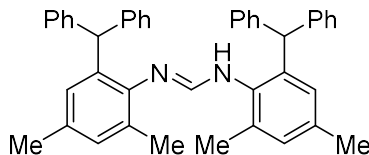
***N'*-(2-benzhydryl-4-fluoro-6-methylphenyl)-*N*-(2-benzhydryl-4-fluoro-6-methylphenyl) formamidine S2e**



According to the general procedure **C**, from 2-benzhydryl-4-fluoro-6-methylaniline (5.82 g, 20 mmol), triethyl orthoformate (1.66 mL, 10 mmol) and acetic acid (57 μ L, 0.1 mmol) a white solid was obtained (4.58 g, 77%).

Rf = 0.33 (PE/ Et_2O 1:1). **Mp** = 196.2-196.8 $^{\circ}C$. In $CDCl_3$ (25 $^{\circ}C$), this formamidine exists as a mixture of rotamers. 1H NMR chemical shifts cannot be denoted. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 7.35-6.65 (m, 24.3H, H^{Ar} and $N=CH$ and NH), 6.46-6.38 (m, 1.4H, H^{Ar}), 6.27 (s, 0.3H, H^{Ar}), 6.64 (s, 0.2H, H^{Ar}), 5.80-5.65 (m, 1.4H, CH), 5.25-5.15 (m, 0.6H, CH), 2.30-2.10 (m, 6H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 147.8 (CH), 143.6 (C), 143.2 (C), 141.4 (C), 139.4 (C), 138.3 (C), 134.9 (C), 129.7 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 115.1 (CH), 114.8 (CH), 51.8 (CH), 21.3 (CH_3). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = -125.5 (s, F), -126.2 (s, F). HRMS (ESI): m/z : 593.2763 calcd for: $C_{41}H_{35}F_2N_2^+$ [$M+H$] $^+$: found 593.2768. IR (ATR): 3376, 3058, 3025, 2915, 2861, 2325, 1648, 1599, 1580, 1492, 1478, 1447, 1377, 1317, 1294, 1231, 1201, 1154, 1128, 1076, 1030, 1001, 981, 907, 848, 822, 783, 737, 698, 630, 617, 580, 537, 525 cm^{-1} .

***N'*-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-*N*-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl) formamidine S2f**



According to the general procedure **C**, from 2-benzhydryl-2,6-dimethylaniline (11.7 g, 40 mmol), triethyl orthoformate (3.3 mL, 20 mmol) and acetic acid (115 μ L, 2 mmol) a white solid was obtained (8.42 g, 72%).

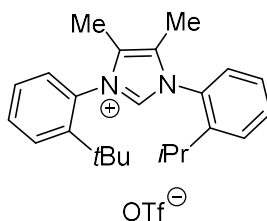
Rf = 0.35 (PE/ Et_2O 1:1). **Mp** = 241.6-241.8 $^{\circ}C$. In $CDCl_3$ (25 $^{\circ}C$), this formamidine exists as a mixture of rotamers. 1H NMR chemical shifts cannot be denoted. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 7.28-7.13 (m, 13H, H^{Ar} and $N=CH$ and NH), 7.04-6.94 (m, 7 H, H^{Ar}), 6.92-6.76 (m, 4H, H^{Ar}), 6.54 (d, $J(H,H)$ = 1.9 Hz, 0.4H, H^{Ar}), 6.49 (d, $J(H,H)$ = 2.0 Hz, 1.2H, H^{Ar}), 6.40 (d, $J(H,H)$ = 1.9 Hz, 0.4H, H^{Ar}), 5.80-5.65 (m, 1.2H, CH), 5.49 (s, 0.2H, CH), 5.46 (s, 0.2H, CH), 5.28 (s, 0.4H, CH), 2.28-1.90 (m, 12H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 146.9 (CH), 144.9 (C), 144.1 (C), 142.6 (C), 142.4 (C), 141.8 (C), 138.4 (C), 135.0 (C), 134.6 (C), 133.4 (C), 132.1 (C), 132.0 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.1 (C), 126.8 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 52.4 (CH), 51.8 (CH), 51.3 (CH), 21.2 (CH_3), 21.1 (CH_3), 19.2 (CH_3), 18.6 (CH_3). HRMS (ESI): m/z : 585.3264 calcd for: $C_{43}H_{41}N_2^+$ [$M+H$] $^+$: found 585.3264. IR

(ATR): 3023, 2914, 2856, 2522, 2324, 1660, 1599, 1580, 1492, 1466, 1445, 1375, 1307, 1286, 1249, 1228, 1203, 1152, 1138, 1074, 1030, 1001, 968, 918, 895, 850, 823, 780, 742, 700, 631, 616, 599, 570, 558, 533 cm⁻¹.

General Procedure D: Preparation of imidazolium salts from formamidines⁵

To a suspension of formamidine **S2** (1 mmol) in acetonitrile (2 mL), *N,N*-Diisopropylethylamine (0.35 mL, 2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and 3-bromo-2-butanone (0.21 mL, 2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) were added and the resulting mixture was stirred at 110 °C for 20 h. The solvent was removed under vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give the intermediate. The intermediate was dissolved in dichloromethane (3 mL). Triethylamine (142 μL, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added dropwise at -40 °C. After 5 min, trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (188 μL, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added dropwise. The mixture was slowly warmed up to room temperature and stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The volatiles were removed under vacuo and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (dichloromethane/acetone = 10:1) to give the imidazolium triflate salt **1·OTf**.

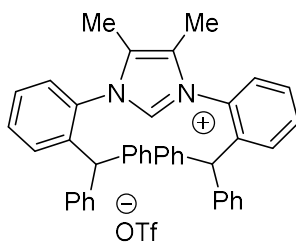
1-(2-*Isopropylphenyl*)-3-(2-*tertbutylphenyl*)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1b·OTf**



According to the general procedure **D**, from *N*-(2-*isopropylphenyl*)-*N'*-(2-*tertbutylphenyl*)formimidine **S2b'** (580 mg, 1.97 mmol), *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.70 mL, 4 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 3-bromo-2-butanone (0.42 mL, 4 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), triethylamine (0.45 mL, 2.89 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) the title compound as a white solid (200 mg, 20% yield).

Mp = 137.1-137.5 °C. In CDCl₃ (25 °C) this imidazolium salt exists in two isomeric forms in a 9:1 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 8.94 (s, 0.1H, NCHN, *min*), 8.49 (s, 0.9H, NCHN, *maj*), 7.94 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.81 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.7 and 7.1 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.67-7.4 (m, 6H, *H*^{Ar}), 2.58 (sept, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH(CH₃)₂), 2.17 (m, 3H, CH₃), 2.15 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.35-1.25 (m, 12H, C(CH₃)₃ and CH(CH₃)₂), 1.18 (d, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 145.8 (C), 145.0 (C), 144.4 (C), 135.2 (CH), 132.0 (CH), 131.6 (CH), 131.3 (CH), 130.8 (C), 130.4 (C), 130.2 (C), 129.0 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 120.6 (q, *J*(C,F) = 320.3 Hz, CF₃), 36.0 (C), 31.8 (CH), 28.2 (CH₃), 27.3 (CH₃), 24.9 (CH₃), 9.5 (CH₃), 9.0 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = -78.4 (s, 3F, CF₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 347.2482 calcd for C₂₄H₃₁N₂⁺ [C]⁺: found 347.2478. **IR (ATR):** 3034, 2964, 1662, 1623, 1536, 1490, 1445, 1388, 1366, 1262, 1223, 1150, 1086, 1051, 1030, 961, 874, 803, 766, 759, 670, 636, 598, 571, 557, 511 cm⁻¹.

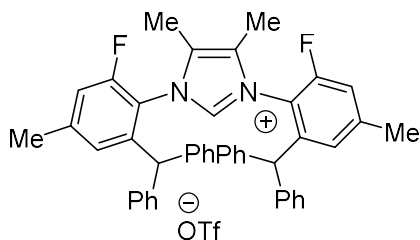
1-(2-*Benzhydrylphenyl*)-3-(2-*benzhydrylphenyl*)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1d·OTf**



According to the general procedure **D**, from *N*-(2-Benzhydrylphenyl)-*N'*-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)formimidamide **S2d** (1.32 g, 2.5 mmol), *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.53 mL, 5 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 3-bromo-2-butanone (0.88 mL, 5 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), triethylamine (0.35 mL, 2.5 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (0.43 mL, 2.5 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) a white solid was obtained (770 mg, 42% yield).

Rf = 0.35 (DCM/acetone 10:1). **Mp** = 288.5-288.8 °C. In CD₃COCD₃ (25 °C), this imidazolium salt exists in two rotamers in a 9:1 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between rotamers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃COCD₃): δ = 9.70 (s, 0.1H, NCHN, *min*), 8.54 (s, 0.9H, NCHN, *min*), 7.75-7.60 (m, 6H, H^{Ar}), 7.45-7.05 (m, 22H, H^{Ar}), 5.54 (s, 1.8H, CH, *maj*), 5.40 (s, 0.2H, CH, *min*), 1.88 (s, 5.4H, CH₃), 1.69 (s, 0.6H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃COCD₃): δ = 142.2 (C), 142.1 (C), 141.7 (C), 136.0 (CH), 132.9 (CH), 132.2 (CH), 131.8 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 122.3 (q, J(C,F) = 320.8 Hz, CF₃), 52.2 (CH), 51.9 (CH), 8.7 (CH₃), 8.4 (CH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -78.3 (s, F). HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: 581.2951 calcd for C₄₃H₃₇N₂⁺ [C]⁺: found 581.2950. IR (ATR): 3144, 3060, 3026, 2926, 2332, 1719, 1623, 1597, 1586, 1536, 1491, 1448, 1389, 1265, 1216, 1182, 1140, 1093, 1078, 1031, 1002, 965, 920, 868, 848, 818, 773, 748, 730, 699, 663, 654, 635, 619, 605, 571, 516 cm⁻¹.

1-(2-Benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-4,5-dimethylimidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1e**·OTf

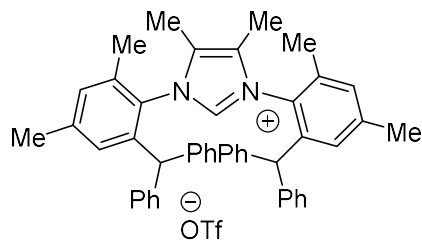


According to the general procedure **D**, from *N*-(2-Benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-*N'*-(2-benzhydryl-4-methyl-6-fluorophenyl)formimidamide **S2e** (4.58 g, 7.7 mmol), *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (2.56 mL, 15.5 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 3-bromo-2-butanone (1.65 mL, 15.5 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), triethylamine (0.73 mL, 7.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (1.2 mL, 7.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) a white solid was obtained as a 10:1 mixture of diastereomers which could not be separated by silica gel chromatography (3.98 g, 65% yield). A recrystallization from dichloromethane/ethyl acetate allowed to isolate the pure major diastereomer as a white solid (870 mg).

Rf = 0.40 (DCM/acetone = 10:1). **Mp** = 302.4-302.7 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.81 (s, 0.91H, NCHN), 7.34-7.16 (m, 16H, H^{Ar}), 7.08-7.05 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 6.95-6.90 (m, 4H, H^{Ar}), 6.67 (s, 2H, H^{Ar}), 5.52 (s, 2H, CH), 2.36 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.23 (s, 6H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 157.4 (d, ¹J(C,F) = 252.6 Hz, C), 144.1 (d, ³J(C,F) = 8.6 Hz, C), 143.8 (C), 140.1 (d, ²J(C,F) = 35.2 Hz, C), 137.3 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (C), 127.7 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 127.2 (d, ⁴J(C,F) =

6.2 Hz, CH), 120.8 (q, $J(\text{C},\text{F}) = 320.9$ Hz, CF_3), 117.4 (d, $^3J(\text{C},\text{F}) = 13.1$ Hz, C), 115.7 (d, $^2J(\text{C},\text{F}) = 19.0$ Hz, CH), 51.8 (CH), 22.0 (CH_3), 7.6 (CH_3). **^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3):** $\delta = -78.5$ (s, CF_3), -121.4 (s, F). **HRMS (ESI):** m/z : 645.3076 calcd for $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{39}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2^+ [\text{C}]^+$: found 645.3080. **IR (ATR):** 3029, 2928, 2363, 2324, 2271, 1620, 1588, 1542, 1494, 1450, 1391, 1313, 1286, 1254, 1223, 1190, 1151, 1078, 1028, 987, 918, 847, 819, 786, 745, 722, 701, 636, 604, 584, 572, 539, 517 cm^{-1} .

1-(2-Benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethylimidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate 1f-OTf



According to the general procedure C, from *N*-(2-Benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-*N'*-(2-Benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)formimidamide **S2f** (5.8 g, 9.95 mmol), *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (3.3 mL, 19.9 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 3-bromo-2-butanone (2.12 mL, 19.9 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), triethylamine (1.5 mL, 10.9 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (3.7 mL, 10.9 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) a white solid was obtained as a 4:1 mixture of diastereomers. After a meticulous purification by silica gel chromatography (DCM/Acetone 9:1) the pure major diastereomer was isolated as a white solid (5.09 g, 65% - 2 steps). Alternatively, a recrystallization from dichloromethane/ethyl acetate allowed to isolate also the pure major diastereomer.

R_f = 0.45 (DCM/acetone 10:1). **Mp** = 300.0-300.2 °C. **^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** $\delta = 8.75$ (s, 1H, NCHN), 7.31-7.15 (m, 12H, H^{Ar}), 7.11 (s, 2H, H^{Ar}), 7.05-6.90 (m, 8H, H^{Ar}), 6.74 (s, 2H, H^{Ar}), 5.15 (s, 2H, CH), 2.30 (s, 6H, CH_3), 1.96 (s, 6H, CH_3), 1.55 (s, 6H, CH_3). **^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3):** $\delta = 141.7$ (C), 141.6 (C), 141.2 (C), 140.2 (C), 135.5 (C), 135.2 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.2 (C), 128.8 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.4 (C), 127.4 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 120.8 (q, $J^1(\text{C}, \text{F}) = 321$ Hz, CF_3), 51.6 (CH), 21.5 (CH_3), 17.9 (CH_3), 8.1 (CH_3). **^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3):** $\delta = -78.4$ (s, CF_3). **HRMS (ESI):** m/z : 637.3577 calcd for $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{45}\text{N}_2^+ [\text{C}]^+$: found 637.3574. **IR (ATR):** 3089, 3058, 3028, 2926, 2853, 2360, 2324, 1601, 1540, 1493, 1474, 1448, 1279, 1251, 1223, 1152, 1078, 1028, 1002, 856, 781, 744, 732, 697, 673, 637, 606, 571, 549, 516 cm^{-1} .

Isomeric Ratio determined by ^1H NMR spectroscopy

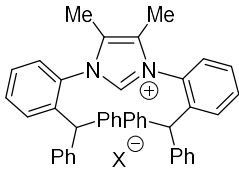
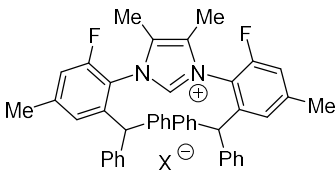
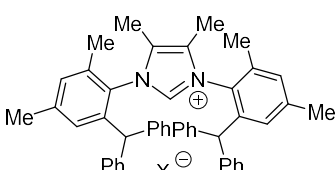
| | | in CDCl_3 | in Acetone- d_6 | in Methanol- d_4 |
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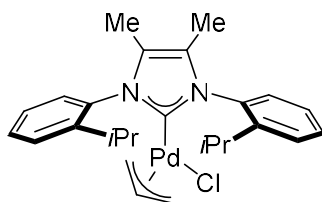
Table S1. Ratios of isomers for imidazolium **1d·X**, **1e·X** and **1f·X** as a function of the NMR solvent and the nature of the counter ion X

III Preparation palladium-NHC complexes and their resolution by chiral HPLC

General Procedure E: Synthesis of the NHC-palladium complexes **2**, **3** and **4**

A mixture of imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1·BF₄** or trifluoromethanesulfonate **1·OTf** (2.3 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) – or [Pd(cinnamyl)Cl]₂ – K₂CO₃ (2.3 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) in acetone was stirred at 60 °C for 5 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite® pad and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by silica gel column (PE/Et₂O = 1:1) to give the expected NHC-palladium complex.

Chloro[(1,2,3-*n*-propenyl)][(1,3-bis(2-*isopropylphenyl*)-4,5-dimethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) *meso*-**2a**



According to the general procedure **E**, 1,3-bis(2-*isopropylphenyl*)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1a·BF₄** (150 mg, 0.36 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (59 mg, 0.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), K₂CO₃ (100 mg, 0.72 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), afforded a yellow solid (126 mg, 87% yield). Complex **2a** was isolated a single diastereomer.

R_f = 0.54 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 225.6-226.4 °C (decomposition) **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 8.01 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.6 and 1.3 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.71 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 and 1.4 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.46-7.27 (m, 6H, *H^{Ar}*), 4.78-4.62 (m, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 3.89 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.5 and 2.1 Hz, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 2.98 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 6.6 and 1.2 Hz, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 2.82-2.62 (m, 3H, *H^{allyl}* and CH(CH₃)₂), 2.00 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.90 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.46 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 11.9 and 1.1 Hz, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 1.30 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.19 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.11 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.10 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 181.8 (C), 145.1 (C), 144.9 (C), 145.1 (C), 136.8 (C), 136.0 (C), 130.8 (CH), 130.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 127.0 (C), 126.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 125.7 (CH), 113.6 (CH), 71.8 (CH₂), 49.0 (CH₂), 27.9 (CH), 27.8 (CH), 24.2 (CH₃), 24.0 (CH₃), 23.4 (CH₃), 23.1 (CH₃), 9.9 (CH₃), 9.8 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 539.1259 calcd for C₂₆H₃₃ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 539.1246. **IR (ATR)**: 3059, 3029, 2961, 2923, 2867, 2361, 1731, 1652, 1603, 1578, 1491, 1451, 1381, 1347, 1325, 1276, 1235, 1200, 1162, 1094, 1067, 1018, 1006, 955, 928, 919, 895, 799, 784, 759, 733, 691, 659, 627, 572, 552, 512 cm⁻¹.

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of the complex suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in Figure S1.

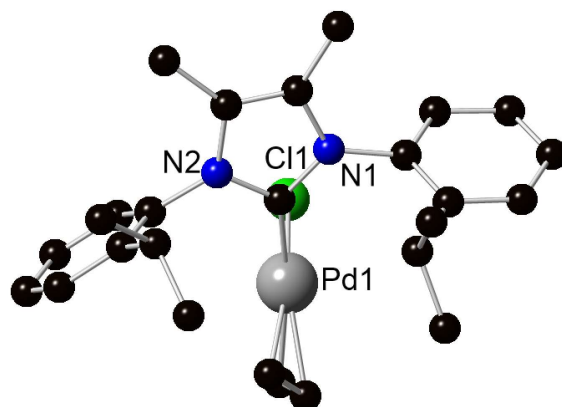
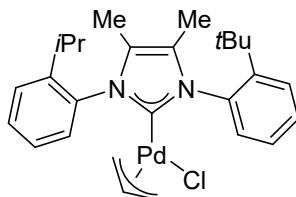


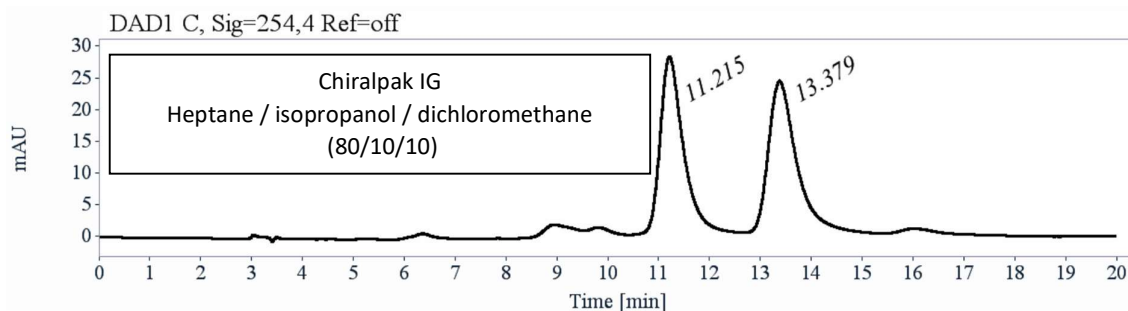
Figure S1. Ball-and-stick representation of palladium complex *meso-3a* (hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Chloro[(1,2,3-*n*-propenyl)[(1-(2-isopropylphenyl)-3-(2-*tert*butylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) **2b**



1-(2-*isopropylphenyl*)-3-(2-*tert*butylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate
1b-OTf (140 mg, 0.28 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (47 mg, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), KOtBu (33 mg, 0.28 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) were dissolved in dry THF (15 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 16 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite® pad and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by silica gel column (PE/Et₂O = 1:1) to give the expected NHC-palladium complex **2b** as a yellow solid (104 mg, 87% yield). Complex **2b** was isolated as the diastereomer (±)-*cis-2b* but trace of diastereomer (±)-*trans-2b* cannot be ruled out (see chPLC chromatogram).

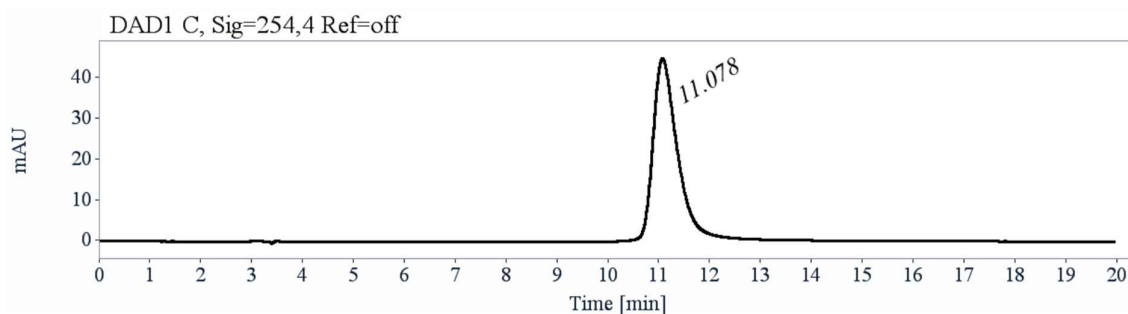
R_f = 0.50 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 79.5-79.9 °C. **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.75-7.05 (m, 8H, *H^{Ar}*), 4.85-4.45 (m, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 3.95-3.75 (m, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 3.30-3.00 (m, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 2.90-2.60 (m, 2H, *H^{allyl}* and CH(CH₃)₂), 2.02-1.86 (m, 6H, CH₃), 1.55-1.45 (m, 1H, *H^{allyl}*), 1.35-1.05 (m, 15H, CH(CH₃)₂ and C(CH₃)₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 181.9 (C), 147.1 (C), 145.9 (C), 145.1 (C), 135.3 (C), 133.8 (C), 133.0 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 113.8 (CH), 113.4 (CH), 71.5 (CH₂), 59.7 (CH₂), 50.7 (CH₂), 50.2 (CH₂), 49.3 (CH₂), 38.3 (C), 36.8 (C), 36.6 (C), 33.5 (CH₃), 32.8 (CH₃), 32.2 (CH₃), 32.0 (CH₃), 31.4 (CH₃), 29.8 (CH₂), 27.8 (CH), 27.7 (CH), 24.5 (CH₃), 24.3 (CH₃), 24.1 (CH₃), 10.4 (CH₃), 9.8 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 553.1416 calcd for C₂₇H₃₅ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 553.1417. **IR (ATR):** 2962, 2921, 2869, 2363, 2340, 1490, 1439, 1381, 1324, 1261, 1222, 1149, 1086, 1050, 1030, 916, 797, 784, 756, 725, 695, 635, 517 cm⁻¹. **Chiral HPLC analysis:** Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at λ = 254 nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: heptane/*i*PrOH/DCM 80:10:10; 1st enantiomer: *R_t* = 11.21 min and 2nd enantiomer: *R_t* = 13.38 min. (see Figure S2)



| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.21 | 902 | 49.02 | 2.80 | | |
| 13.38 | 938 | 50.98 | 3.54 | 1.26 | 2.47 |
| Sum | 1840 | 100.00 | | | |

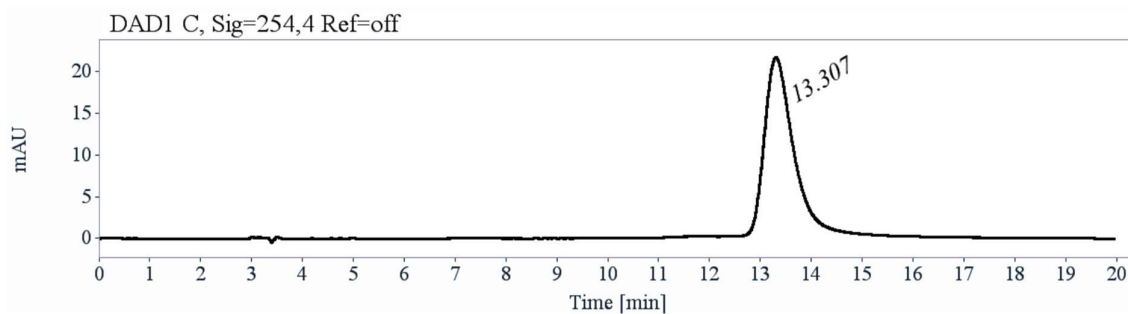
Figure S2. chPLC analysis of palladium complex (\pm)-*cis*-**2b**

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μ m) with hexane / isopropanol / dichloromethane (85/5/10) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 280 nm with multiple injections. From 62 mg of racemic mixture, 10 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S3) and 4 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 98.5% (Figure S4) were obtained.



| RT [min] | Area | Area% |
|----------|------|--------|
| 11.08 | 1508 | 100.00 |
| Sum | 1508 | 100.00 |

Figure S3. chPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex *cis*-**2b**

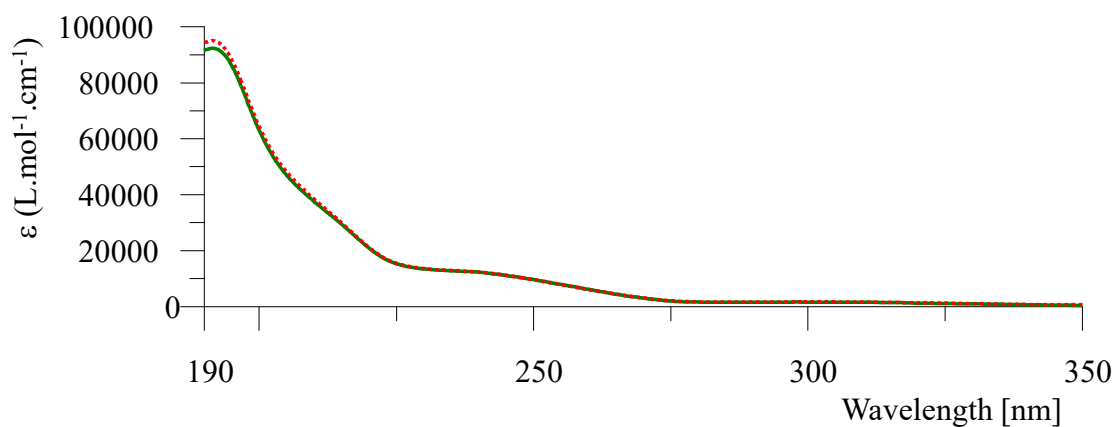
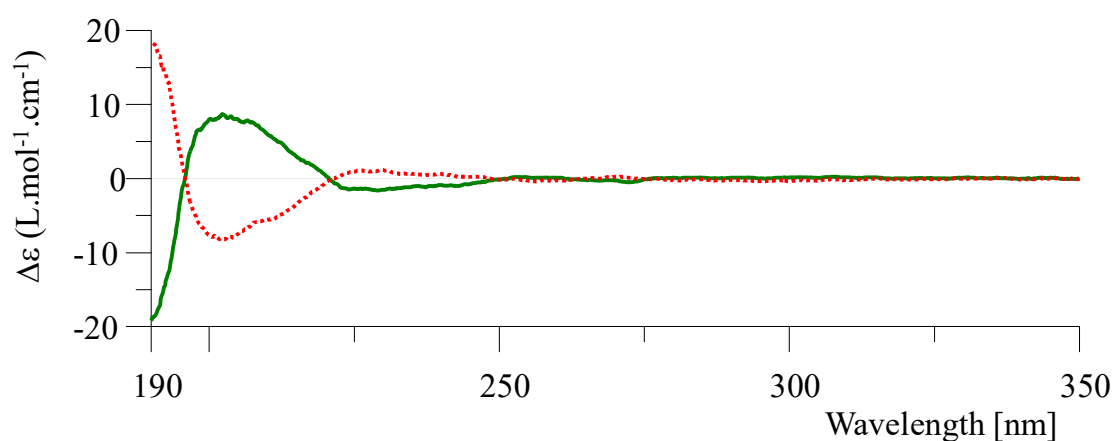


| RT [min] | Area | Area% |
|----------|------|--------|
| 13.31 | 864 | 100.00 |
| Sum | 864 | 100.00 |

Figure S4. chPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex *cis-2b*

| λ (nm) | <i>cis-2b</i> first eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.54) | <i>cis-2b</i> second eluted on on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.30) |
|----------------|--|--|
| 589 | - 6 | + 6 |
| 578 | - 6 | + 6 |
| 546 | - 7 | + 7 |
| 436 | - 13 | + 13 |
| 405 | - 19 | + 19 |

Table S2. Optical rotations of complexes **2b**



first eluted enantiomer : green solid line, concentration =0.206 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
second eluted enantiomer : red dotted line, concentration = 0.206 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S5. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes *cis-2c*

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of the first enantiomer of *cis-2b* suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in Figure S6. The Flack parameter was refined to a value of zero, providing confirmation of the absolute configuration as the (1*S*_a,2*R*_a) enantiomer.

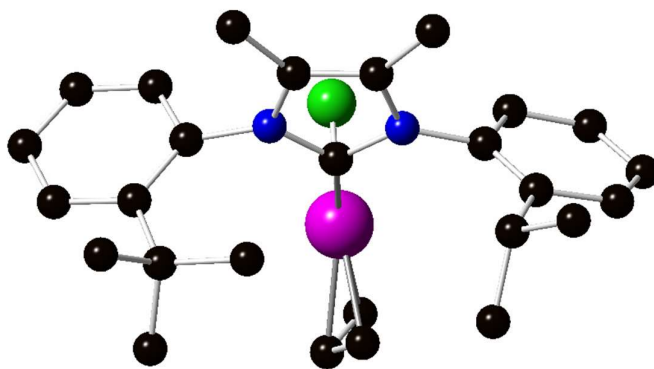
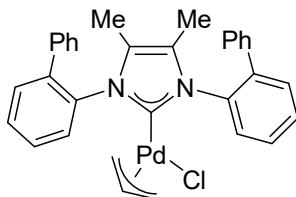


Figure S6. Ball-and-stick representation of the first enantiomer of complex $(-)-(1S_a,2R_a)$ -*cis*-**2b** (hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Chloro[(1,2,3-*n*-propenyl)][(1,3-bis(2-phenylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II)
2c



According to the general procedure **E**, from 1,3-bis(2-phenylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1c**·BF₄ (350 mg, 0.72 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (110 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), K₂CO₃ (165 mg, 1.2 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), complex **2c** was isolated as two diastereomers after silica gel column (PE/Et₂O = 1:1) 137 mg of *meso*-**2c** complex (white solid) and 185 mg of chiral complex (\pm)-**2c** (white solid) (overall 99% yield).

Data for *meso*-**2c** are as follow:

R_f = 0.27 (PE/Et₂O 1:2) (*meso* complex). **Mp** = 221.9-222.3 °C (decomposition). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 8.24-8.19 (m, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.78-7.72 (m, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.55-7.25 (m, 14H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.12-7.08 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 4.81 (tt, *J*(H,H) = 13.3 and 7.1 Hz, 1H, *H*^{allyl}), 3.94 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.6 and 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*^{allyl}), 2.82 (d, *J*(H,H) = 13.5 Hz, 1H, *H*^{allyl}), 2.66 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.4 Hz, 1H, *H*^{allyl}), 1.68 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.46 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.36 (d, *J*(H,H) = 11.8 Hz, 1H, *H*^{allyl}). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 181.1 (C), 139.2 (C), 138.8 (C), 138.7 (C), 137.7 (C), 136.5 (C), 135.7 (C), 132.0 (CH), 130.8 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 127.3 (C), 126.4 (C), 113.8 (CH), 71.4 (CH₂), 46.6 (CH₂), 9.8 (CH₃), 9.5 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 607.0947 calcd for C₃₂H₂₉N₂PdClNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 607.0952. **IR (ATR)**: 3058, 2962, 2922, 2359, 2342, 1653, 1582, 1504, 1483, 1455, 1435, 1376, 1327, 1299, 1260, 1158, 1093, 1020, 1011, 935, 874, 863, 848, 801, 784, 746, 701, 668, 612, 555 cm⁻¹.

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of the complex *meso*-**2c** suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in Figure S7.

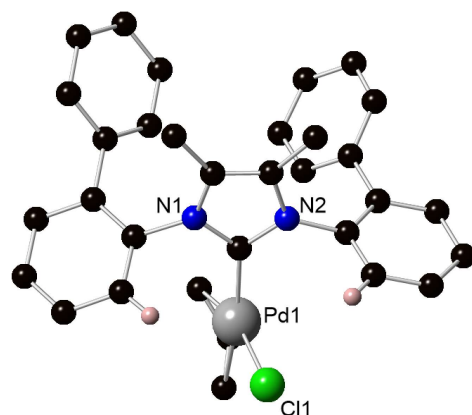
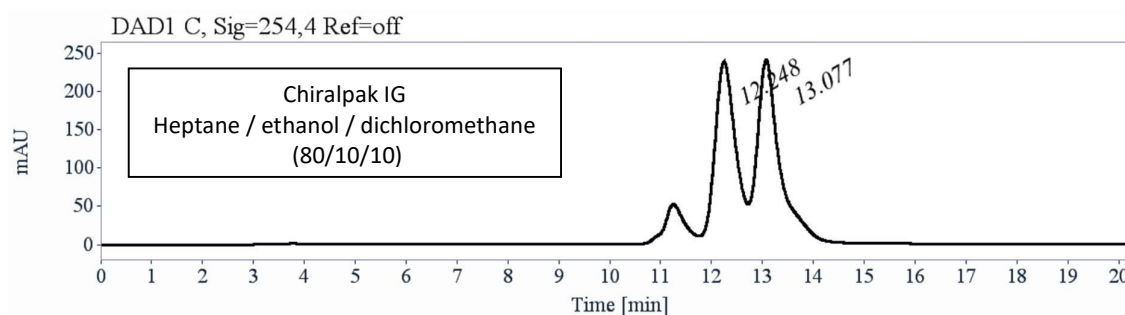


Figure S7. Ball-and-stick representation of complex *meso*-**2c** (most of hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Data for (\pm)-**2c** are as follow:

Rf = 0.28 (PE/Et₂O 1:2) (chiral complex) **Mp** = 200.5-200.9 °C (decomposition). In CDCl₃ (25 °C) this complex exists in two conformers in a 3:2 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.68 (d, J (H,H) = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.58-7.26 (m, 17H, H^{Ar}), 5.06-4.92 (m, 0.4H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 4.82-4.68 (m, 0.6H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 3.96 (d, J (H,H) = 6.7 Hz, 0.4H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 3.90 (d, J (H,H) = 6.7 Hz, 0.6H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 3.32 (d, J (H,H) = 6.6 Hz, 0.4H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 2.87 (d, J (H,H) = 13.4 Hz, 0.4H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 2.82 (d, J (H,H) = 13.4 Hz, 0.6H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 2.51 (d, J (H,H) = 6.6 Hz, 0.6H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 1.75 (d, J (H,H) = 11.7 Hz, 0.4H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 1.69 (d, J (H,H) = 12.1 Hz, 0.6H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 1.59 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.35 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 180.8 (C), 180.5 (C), 139.5 (C), 138.7 (C), 138.4 (C), 138.3 (C), 136.5 (C), 136.2 (C), 130.8 (CH), 130.7 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.8 (C), 126.7 (C), 114.3 (CH), 113.9 (CH), 72.3 (CH₂), 71.9 (CH₂), 50.6 (CH₂), 50.0 (CH₂), 9.6 (CH₃), 9.3 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z : 607.0947 calcd for C₃₂H₂₉N₂PdClNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 607.0950. **IR (ATR)**: 3057, 3026, 2974, 2945, 2921, 2361, 1734, 1655, 1598, 1582, 1504, 1480, 1453, 1434, 1375, 1321, 1260, 1227, 1202, 1184, 1154, 1106, 1075, 1049, 1008, 930, 882, 848, 799, 783, 744, 718, 701, 626, 559, 534, 513 cm⁻¹. **Chiral HPLC analysis**: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at λ = 254 nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent : heptane/*i*PrOH/DCM 80:10:10; 1st enantiomer: R_t = 12.25 min and 2nd enantiomer: R_t = 13.08 min (see Figure S8).



| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|------|-------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 12.25 | 6255 | 46.78 | 3.15 | | |
| 13.08 | 7116 | 53.22 | 3.43 | 1.09 | 1.16 |

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| Sum | 13372 | 100.00 | | |
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Figure S8. cHPLC analysis of palladium complex (\pm)-**2c**

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μ m) with hexane / isopropanol / dichloromethane (80/10/10) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 254 nm with multiple injections. From 14 mg of racemic mixture, 4 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S9) and 3 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S10) were obtained.

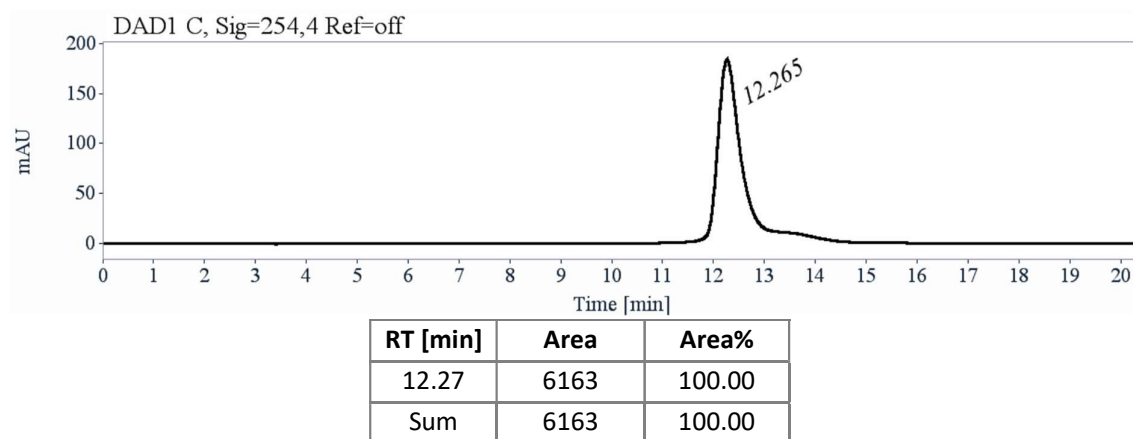


Figure S9. cHPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex **2c**

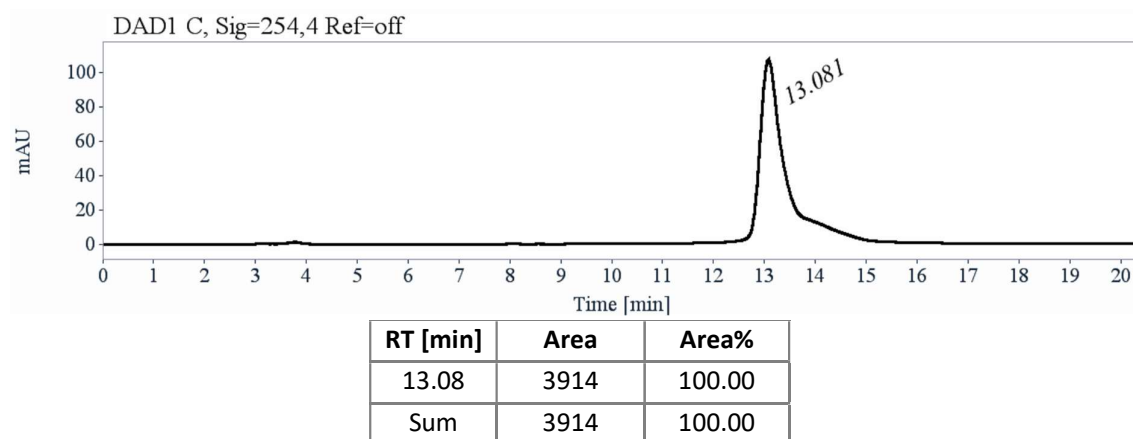
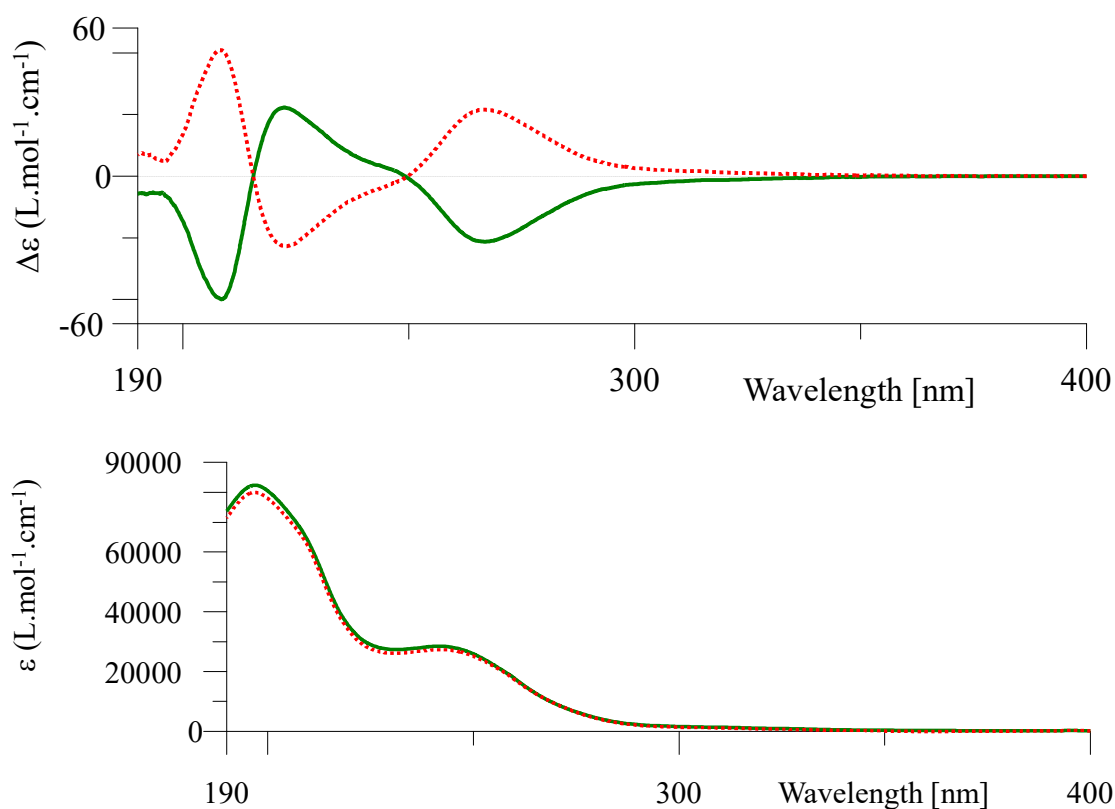


Figure S10. cHPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **2c**

| λ (nm) | 2c | 2c |
|----------------|--|---|
| | first eluted on Chiralpak IG [α] $_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.21) | second eluted on on Chiralpak IG [α] $_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.095) |
| 589 | - 300 | + 300 |
| 578 | - 315 | + 315 |
| 546 | - 370 | + 370 |
| 436 | - 760 | + 760 |
| 405 | - 1000 | + 1000 |

Table S3. Optical rotations of enantiomers of complexes **2c**



First eluted enantiomer: green solid line, concentration = 0.228 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
 second eluted enantiomer: red dotted line, concentration = 0.208 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S11. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes **2c**

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of racemic complex (\pm)-**2c** suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in Figure S12.

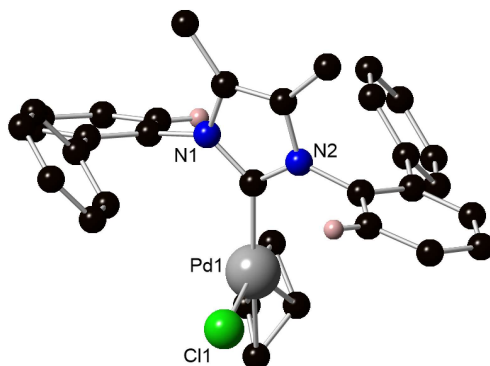
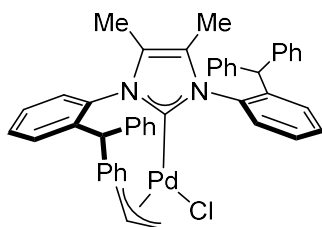


Figure S12. Ball-and-stick representation of complex (\pm)-**2c** (most of hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Chloro(allyl)[(1-(2-benzhydryl)-3-(2-benzhydryl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) 2d



1-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1d·OTf** (546 mg, 0.74 mmol) was suspended in MeOH (40 mL) and Dowex-22 Cl (0.82 g) was added in the mixture which was stirred at 25 °C for 14 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (50 mL), dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium chloride which is directly used without further purification.

A mixture of the imidazolium chloride and KBF₄ (189 mg, 1.5 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), in a 1:1 mixture of DCM/H₂O (50 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The aqueous phase was extracted by DCM (20 mL * 4) and the combined organic phase was dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1d·BF₄** which is directly used without further purification.

According to the general procedure **E**, from imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1d·BF₄**, [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (117 mg, 0.32 mmol), K₂CO₃ (204 mg, 1.48 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), the silica gel chromatography allowed to separate the chiral complex (white solid, 138 mg, 28% yield) from the *meso* complex (white solid, 308 mg, 62% yield).

Data for *meso*-**2d** are as follow:

Rf = 0.50 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 250.3-251.2 °C (decomposition). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 8.07-8.01 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.74-7.68 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.45-6.95 (m, 26H, H^{Ar}), 5.64 (s, 1H, CH), 5.56 (s, 1H, CH), 4.68 (tt, J(H, H) = 13.5 and 7.4 Hz, 1H, H^{allyl}), 3.93 (dd, J(H, H) = 7.4 and 2.0 Hz, 1H, H^{allyl}), 2.76 (d, J(H, H) = 13.5 Hz, 1H, H^{allyl}), 2.46 (d, J(H, H) = 6.7 Hz, 1H, H^{allyl}), 1.38 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.28 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.25-1.15 (m, 1H, H^{allyl}). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 182.4 (C), 143.7 (C), 143.2 (C), 142.6 (C), 142.1 (C), 140.9 (C), 140.1 (C), 138.3 (C), 137.5 (C), 132.0 (CH), 131.7 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 130.5 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.7 (C), 127.5 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 113.8 (CH), 72.1 (CH₂), 51.1 (CH), 50.7 (CH), 49.4 (CH₂), 9.4 (CH₃), 9.2 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 785.1898 calcd for C₄₆H₄₁ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 785.1896 (0.3 ppm). **IR (ATR)**: 3058, 3024, 2923, 2361, 2334, 1698, 1684, 1652, 1597, 1558, 1541, 1507, 1489, 1449, 1378, 1326, 1268, 1237, 1182, 1075, 1030, 1003, 922, 898, 784, 754, 729, 699, 655, 620, 605, 534 cm⁻¹.

Data for (±)-**2d** are as follow:

Rf = 0.54 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 224.3-224.6 °C (decomposition). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this complex exists in two isomeric forms in a 2.3:1 ratio (unassigned). **¹H NMR** chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.45-6.95 (m, 29H, H^{Ar} and CH), 6.43 (s, 1H, CH), 4.95-4.80 (m, 0.7H, H^{allyl}, *maj*), 4.70-4.55 (m, 0.3H, H^{allyl}, *min*), 4.13-4.05 (m, 1H, H^{allyl}), 3.08-2.96 (m, 1.7H, H^{allyl}), 2.87 (d, J(H,H) = 5.5 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl}, *min*), 1.85 (d, J(H,H) = 11.8 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl}, *min*), 1.31 (d, J(H,H) = 12.0 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl}, *maj*), 0.98 (s, 1.8H, CH₃, *min*), 0.94 (s, 4.2H, CH₃, *maj*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 177.1 (C), 176.8 (C), 143.4 (C), 142.4 (C), 142.3 (C), 142.1 (C), 137.9 (C), 137.8 (C), 130.2 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 114.7 (CH), 72.3 (CH₂), 71.0 (CH₂), 51.3 (CH₂), 51.1 (CH), 50.2 (CH₂), 8.7 (CH₃), 8.6 (CH₃). **HRMS**

(ESI): m/z : 785.1898 calcd for $C_{46}H_{41}ClN_2PdNa^+$ $[M+Na]^+$: found 785.1896 (0.3 ppm). IR (ATR): 3049, 2953, 2915, 2859, 2358, 2342, 2119, 1868, 1845, 1678, 1600, 1564, 1541, 1507, 1469, 1451, 1438, 1428, 1364, 1353, 1332, 1311, 1280, 1261, 1223, 1199, 1149, 1118, 1089, 1043, 1032, 1018, 980, 967, 945, 912, 874, 835, 813, 779, 755, 733, 678, 658, 647, 613, 594, 572, 526, 512 cm^{-1} . Chiral HPLC analysis: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at $\lambda = 254$ nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane / ethanol / dichloromethane 60:10:30, 1st enantiomer: $R_t = 3.69$ min and 2nd enantiomer: $R_t = 4.89$ min. (see Figure S13).

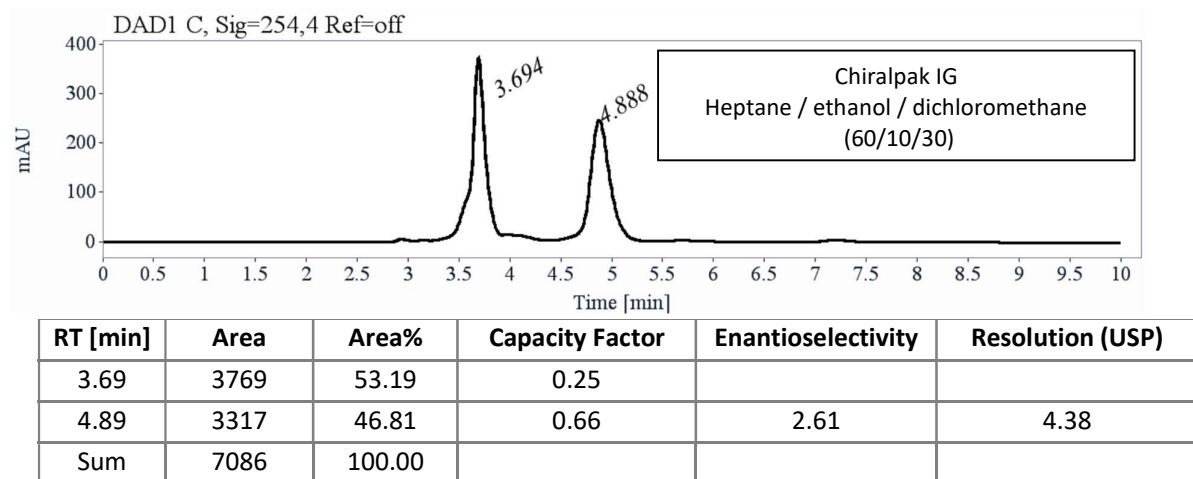


Figure S13. chPLC analysis of palladium complex (\pm)-2d

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μ m) with hexane / ethanol / dichloromethane (60/10/30) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 254 nm with multiple injections. From 59 mg of racemic mixture, 20 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S14) and 20 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% were obtained (Figure S15).

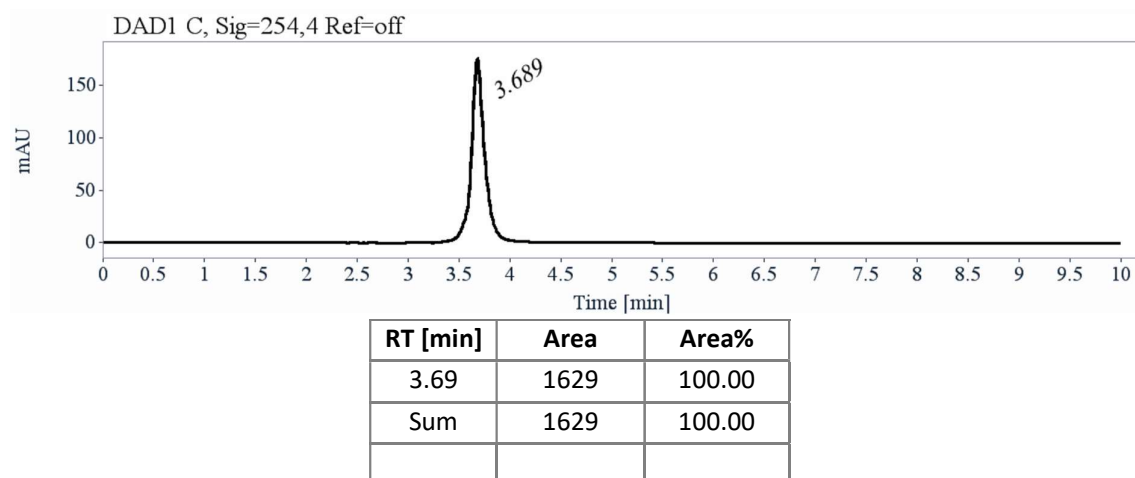


Figure S14. chPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex 2d

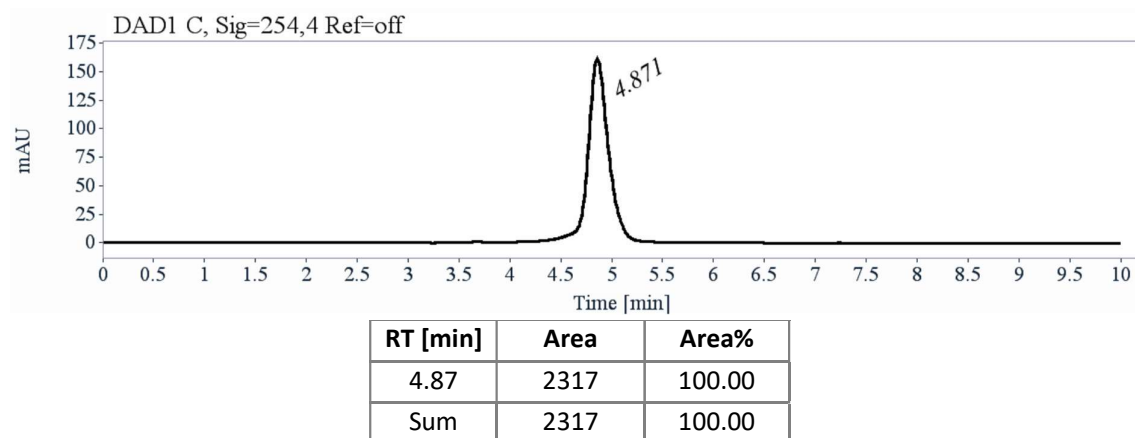
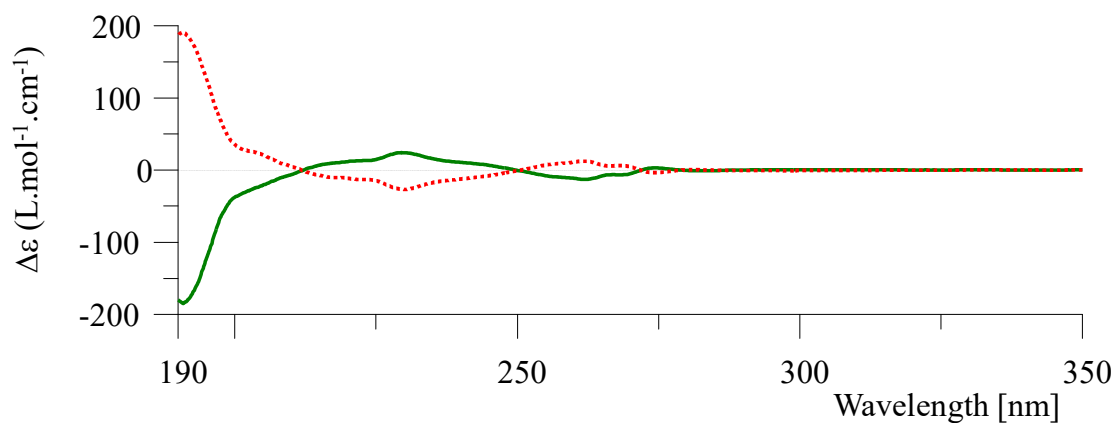
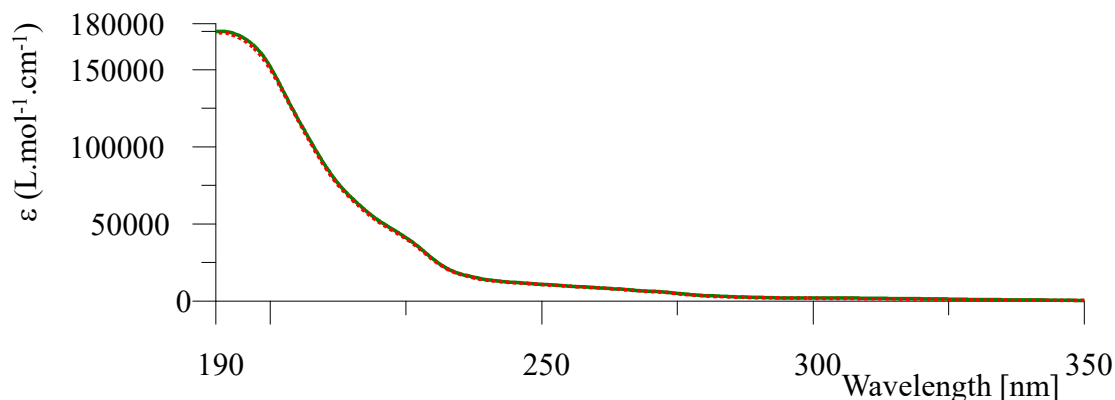


Figure S15. chPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **2d**

| λ (nm) | 2d first eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.24) | 2d second eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.22) |
|----------------|--|---|
| 589 | - 84 | + 84 |
| 578 | - 88 | + 88 |
| 546 | - 102 | + 102 |
| 436 | - 186 | + 186 |

Table S4. Optical rotations of complexes **2d**





First eluted enantiomer: green solid line, concentration = 0.113 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
 second eluted enantiomer: red dotted line, concentration = 0.105 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S16. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes **2d**

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of the second enantiomer suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in **Figure S17**. The Flack parameter was refined to a value of zero, providing confirmation of the absolute configuration as the (*R_a*,*R_a*) enantiomer.

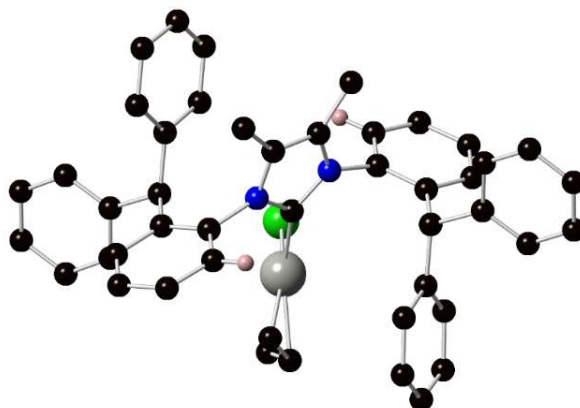
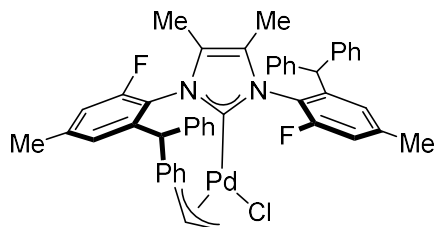


Figure S17. Ball-and-stick representation of the second enantiomer of (+)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2d** (most of hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Chloro(allyl)[(1-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) (±)-2e****



1-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1e-OTf** (195 mg, 0.25 mmol), was suspended in MeOH (20 mL) and Dowex-22 Cl (0.28 g) was added in the mixture which was stirred at 25 °C for 14 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (50 mL), dried by Na₂SO₄ and

filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium chloride which is directly used without further purification.

A mixture of the imidazolium chloride and KBF_4 (63 mg, 0.50 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), in a 1:1 mixture of DCM/ H_2O (20 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The aqueous phase was extracted by DCM (20 mL * 4) and the combined organic phase was dried by Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium tetrafluoroborate $\mathbf{1e}\cdot\text{BF}_4$ which is directly used without further purification.

According to the general procedure from imidazolium tetrafluoroborate $\mathbf{1e}\cdot\text{BF}_4$, $[\text{Pd}(\text{allyl})\text{Cl}]_2$ (39 mg, 0.11 mmol), K_2CO_3 (68 mg, 0.50 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) a white solid was obtained (120 mg, 72% yield).

Rf = 0.54 (PE/ Et_2O 1:2). **Mp** >280 °C (decomposition). In CDCl_3 (25 °C), this complex exists in two isomeric forms in a 1.1:1 ratio (unassigned). ^1H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.35-6.90 (m, 23H, H^{Ar} and CH), 6.67 (s, 2H, H^{Ar}), 6.35 (s, 1H, CH), 5.00-4.85 (m, 0.7H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 4.78-4.63 (m, 0.3H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 4.17-4.08 (m, 1H, H^{allyl}), 3.23 (d, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 6.6 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 3.14-2.98 (m, 1.3H, H^{allyl}), 2.34 (s, 1.8H, Ar- CH_3 , *maj*), 2.31 (s, 4.2H, Ar- CH_3 , *min*), 1.98 (d, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 11.9 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl} , *min*), 1.43 (d, $J(\text{H,H})$ = 12.0 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl} , *maj*), 0.91 (s, 1.8H, CH_3 , *min*), 0.88 (s, 4.2H, CH_3 , *maj*). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 179.1 (C), 178.4 (C), 141.9 (C), 141.1 (C), 140.9 (C), 140.8 (C), 130.1 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.1 (C), 123.7 (C), 123.6 (C), 115.3 (CH), 114.7 (CH), 72.1 (CH_2), 70.6 (CH_2), 51.4 (CH_2), 51.2 (CH), 50.0 (CH_2), 21.9 (CH_3), 7.6 (CH_3). ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = -117.6 (s, F), -117.7 (s, F), -121.3 (s, F), -123.3 (s, F). **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z : 849.2024 calcd for $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{43}\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_2\text{PdNa}^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$: found 849.2019 (0.6 ppm). **IR (ATR)**: 3059, 3026, 2924, 2863, 2358, 2333, 1733, 1716, 1698, 1683, 1663, 1653, 1621, 1588, 1558, 1541, 1493, 1451, 1382, 1307, 1232, 1153, 1118, 1078, 1032, 985, 934, 848, 820, 786, 744, 702, 668, 630, 617, 585, 565, 541, 524 cm^{-1} . **Chiral HPLC analysis**: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at λ = 254 nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane / ethanol / dichloromethane 60:20:2; 1st enantiomer: Rt = 3.49 min and 2nd enantiomer: Rt = 5.23 min. (see Figure S18).

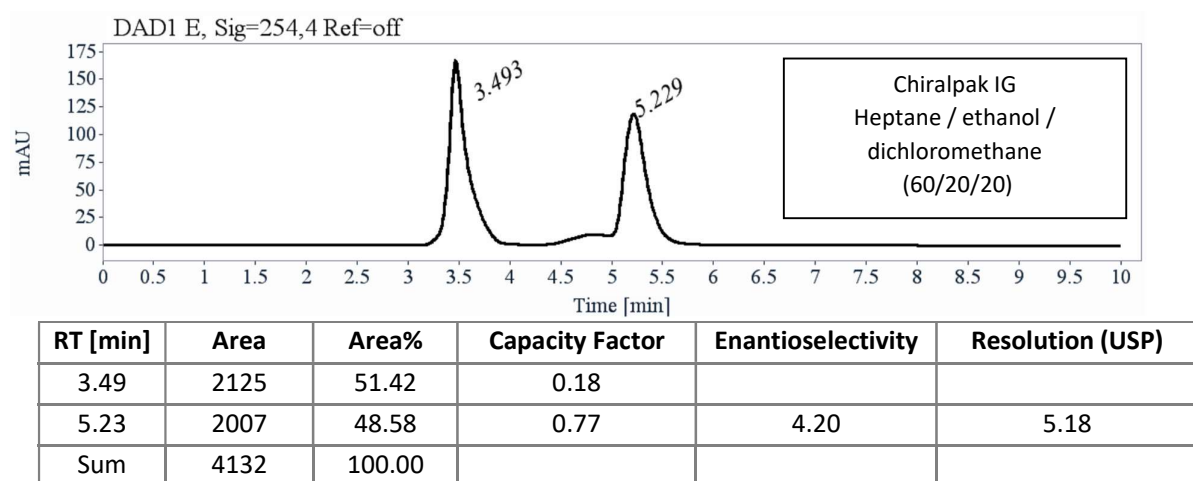


Figure S18. chPLC analysis of palladium complex (\pm)-**2e**

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μm) with hexane / ethanol / dichloromethane (60/20/20) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 254 nm with multiple injections. From 104 mg of racemic mixture, 47 mg of the first eluted

enantiomer with ee > 99.0% (Figure S19) and 45 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.0% were obtained (Figure S20).

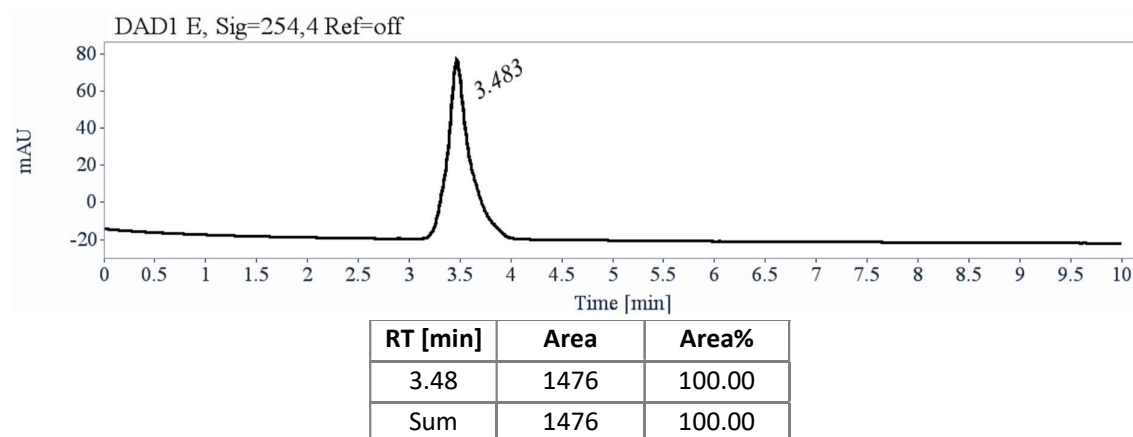


Figure S19. chPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex **2e**

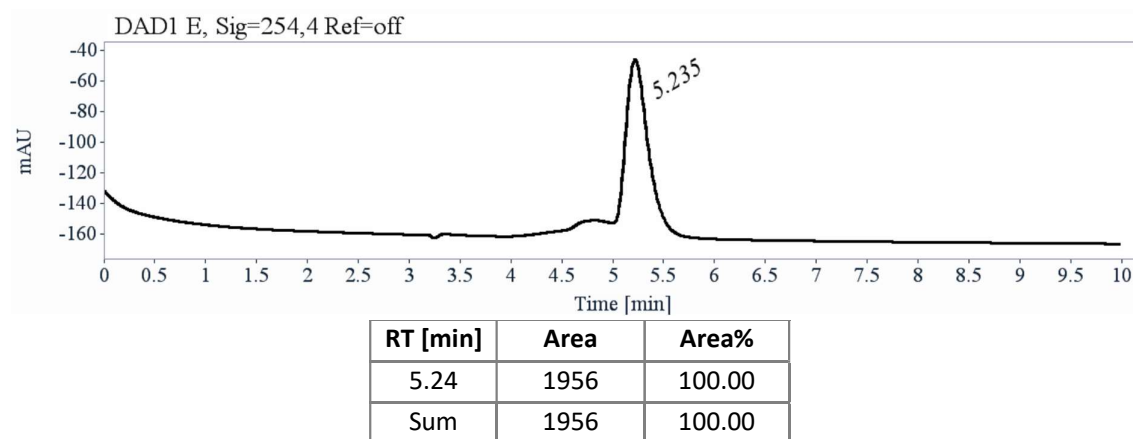
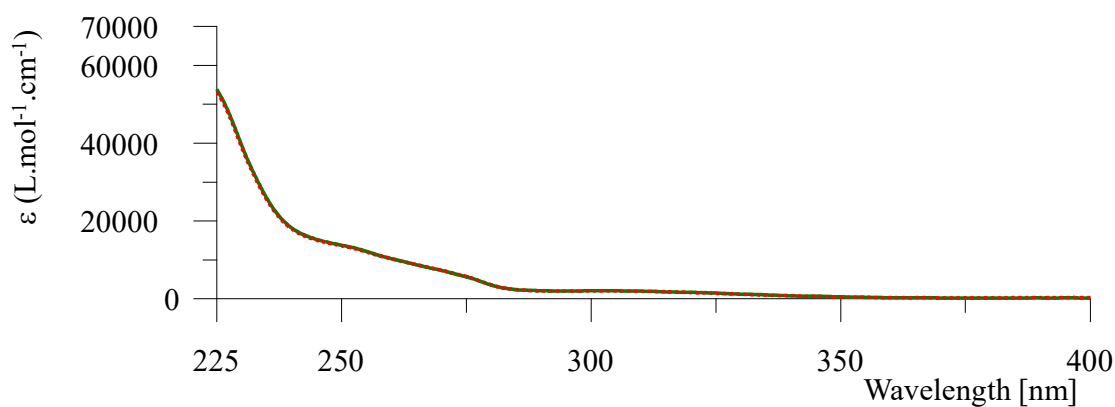
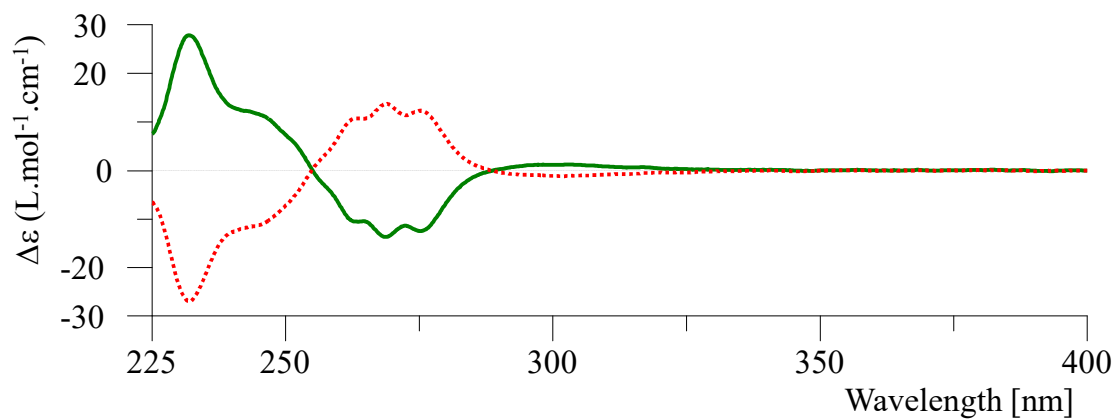


Figure S20. chPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **2e**

| λ (nm) | 2e | 2e |
|----------------|---|---|
| | first eluted on Chiralpak IG [α] _{λ25} (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.2) | second eluted on Chiralpak IG [α] _{λ25} (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.22) |
| 589 | - 110 | + 110 |
| 578 | - 113 | + 113 |
| 546 | - 132 | + 132 |
| 436 | - 240 | + 241 |

Table S5. Optical rotations of complexes **2e**



First eluted enantiomer: green solid line, concentration = 0.249 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
 second eluted enantiomer: red dotted line, concentration = 0.246 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S21. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes **2e**

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of the first enantiomer suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in Figure S22. The Flack parameter was refined to a value of zero, providing confirmation of the absolute configuration as the (*R_a*,*R_a*) enantiomer.

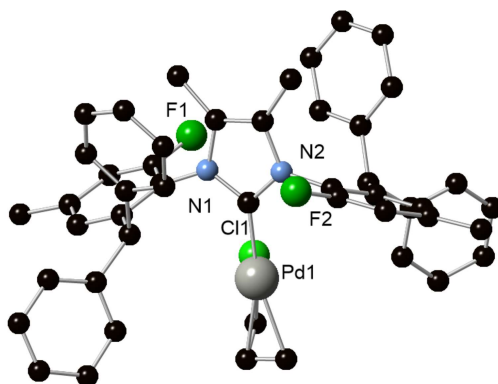
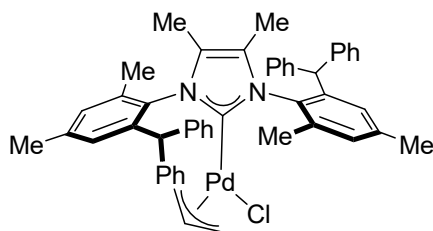


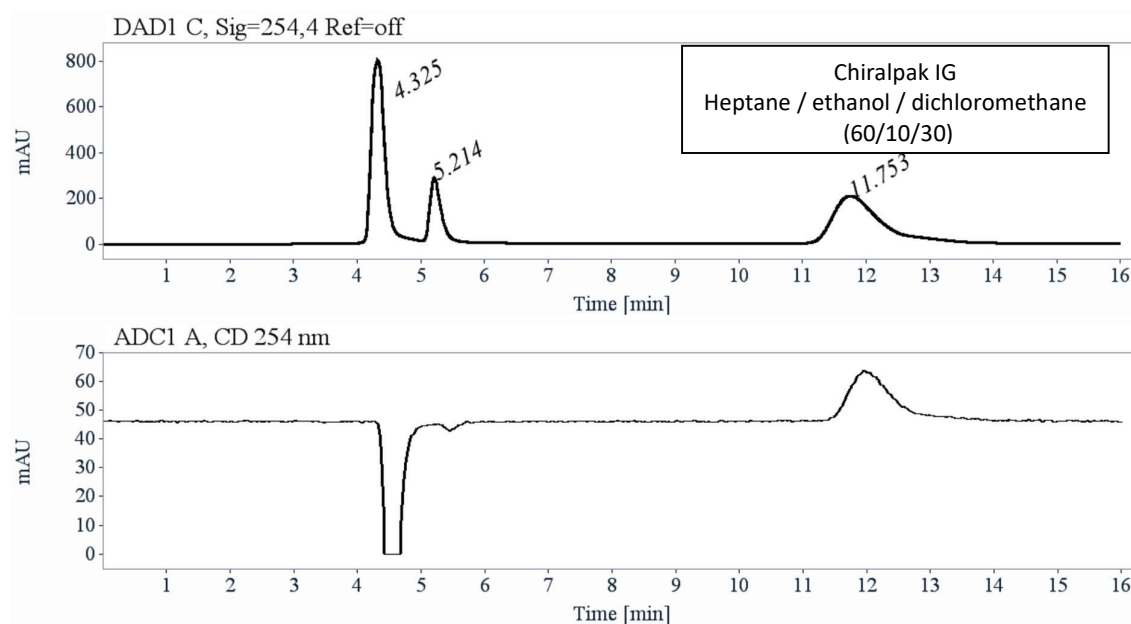
Figure S22. Ball-and-stick representation of the first enantiomer of (-)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2e** (hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Chloro(allyl)[(1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-Benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) 2f



According to the general procedure E, from 1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1f·OTf** (100 mg, 0.13 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (19 mg, 0.053 mmol), K₂CO₃ (36 mg, 0.26 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), two diastereomeric complexes, partially separable by silica gel chromatography were obtained (ratio 5:1) (68 mg, 79% yield, 3 steps).

Chiral HPLC analysis: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at $\lambda = 254$ nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane/ethanol/dichloromethane 60:10:30; 1st enantiomer: Rt = 4.32 min, meso complex: Rt = 5.21 min, and 2nd enantiomer: Rt = 11.75 min. (see Figure S23).



| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor |
|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|
| 4.33 | 12278 | 44.07 | 0.47 |
| 5.21 | 4009 | 14.39 | 0.77 |
| 11.75 | 11571 | 41.53 | 2.98 |
| Sum | 27858 | 100.00 | |

Figure S23. cHPLC analysis of palladium complexes **2f**

According to the general procedure E, from diastereomerically pure 1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1f·BF₄** (850 mg, 1.17 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(allyl)Cl]₂ (205 mg, 0.56 mmol), K₂CO₃ (324 mg, 2.35 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) complex (\pm)-**2f** was obtained as single diastereomer and as a white solid (850 mg, 92% yield).

Rf = 0.55 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 261.3-261.5 °C (decomposition). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this complex exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.30-7.10 (m, 17H, H^{Ar} and CH), 7.05-6.95 (m, 6H, H^{Ar}), 6.75-6.71 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH), 4.95-4.80 (m, 0.7H, H^{allyl, maj}), 4.68-4.53 (m, 0.3H, H^{allyl, min}), 4.14 (dd, J(H,H)= 7.6 and 2.2 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl, maj}), 4.05 (J(H,H)= 7.6 and 2.2 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl, min}), 3.07 (d, J(H,H)= 13.7 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl, maj}), 3.00 (d, J(H,H)= 13.7 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl, min}), 2.94 (d, J(H,H)= 6.8 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl, maj}), 2.62 (d, J(H,H)= 6.8 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl, min}), 2.32-2.18 (m, 12H, Ar-CH₃), 1.69 (d, J(H,H)= 11.8 Hz, 0.3H, H^{allyl, min}), 1.34 (dd, J(H,H)= 11.3 and 1.5 Hz, 0.7H, H^{allyl, maj}), 0.99 (s, 2.5H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.88 (s, 3.5H, CH₃, *min*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 178.8 (C), 178.4 (C), 143.6 (C), 142.5 (C), 142.3 (C), 142.2 (C), 138.6 (C), 138.5 (C), 135.0 (C), 134.9 (C), 130.2 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.2 (C), 126.6 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 114.8 (CH), 114.7 (CH), 73.6 (CH₂), 71.6 (CH₂), 70.0 (CH₂), 51.1 (CH), 50.9 (CH), 50.0 (CH₂), 48.5 (CH₂), 21.6 (CH₃), 19.2 (CH₃), 15.4 (CH₃), 8.3 (CH₃), 8.1 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 841.2526 calcd for C₅₀H₄₉ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺; found 841.2524 (0.2 ppm). **IR (ATR):** 3056, 3022, 2922, 2856, 2361, 2341, 2218, 1748, 1716, 1698, 1684, 1654, 1599, 1558, 1541, 1507, 1492, 1475, 1447, 1372, 1313, 1296, 1184, 1156, 1076, 1031, 1002, 910, 886, 854, 821, 778, 744, 733, 699, 626, 565 cm⁻¹. **Chiral HPLC analysis:** Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at λ = 254 nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane/ethanol/dichloromethane 60:10:30; 1st enantiomer: Rt = 3.35 min and 2nd enantiomer: Rt = 4.72 min. (see Figure S24).

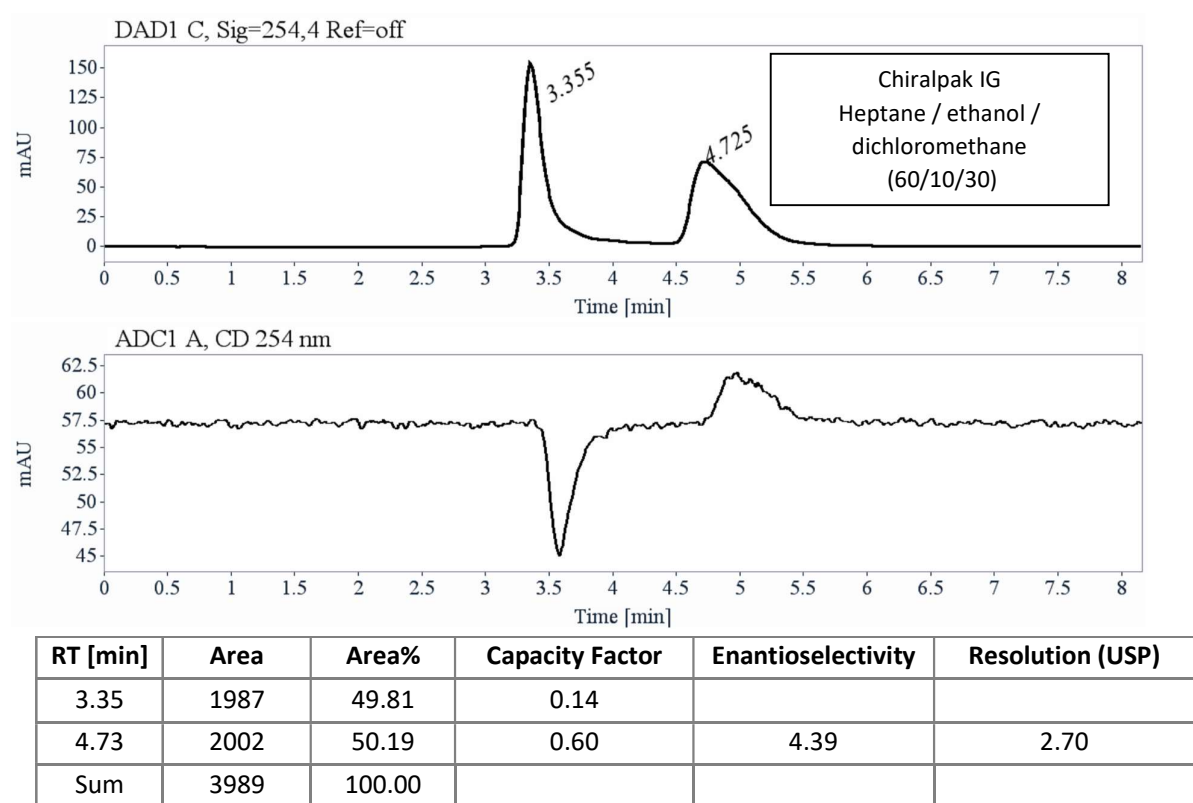


Figure S24. chPLC analysis of palladium complex **2f**

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μm) with hexane/ethanol/dichloromethane (60/10/30) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at

254 nm with multiple injections (45 injections every 5 min). From 840 mg of racemic mixture, 420 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S25) and 401 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% were obtained (Figure S26).

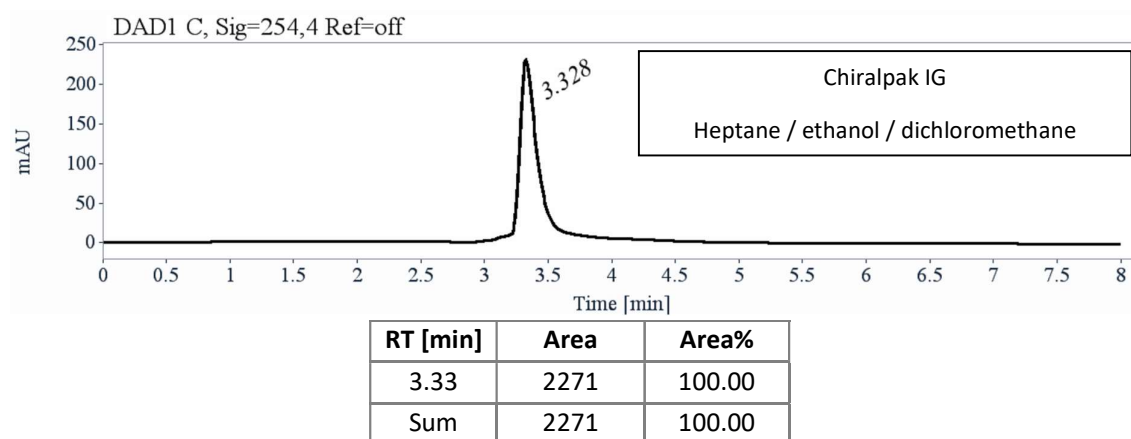


Figure S25. chPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex **2f**

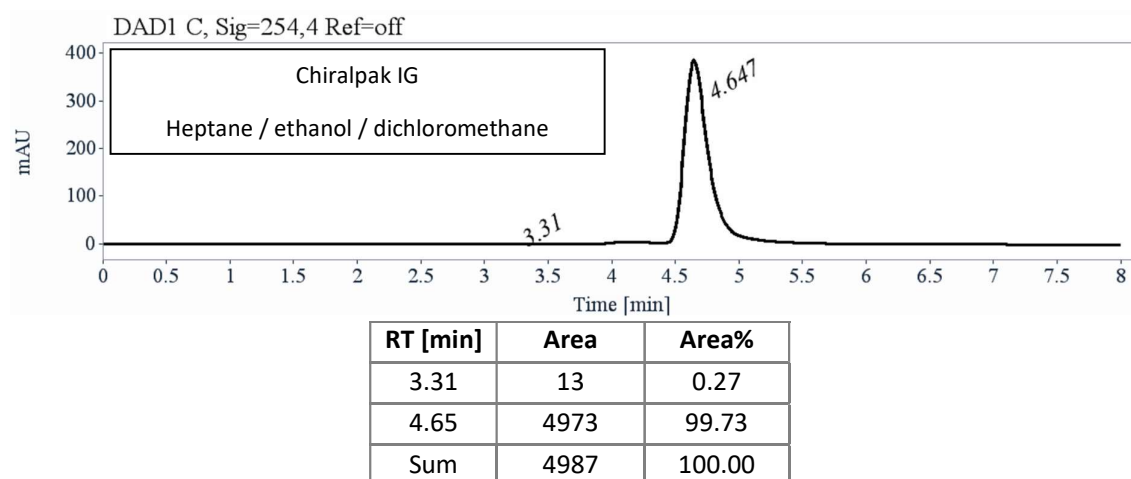
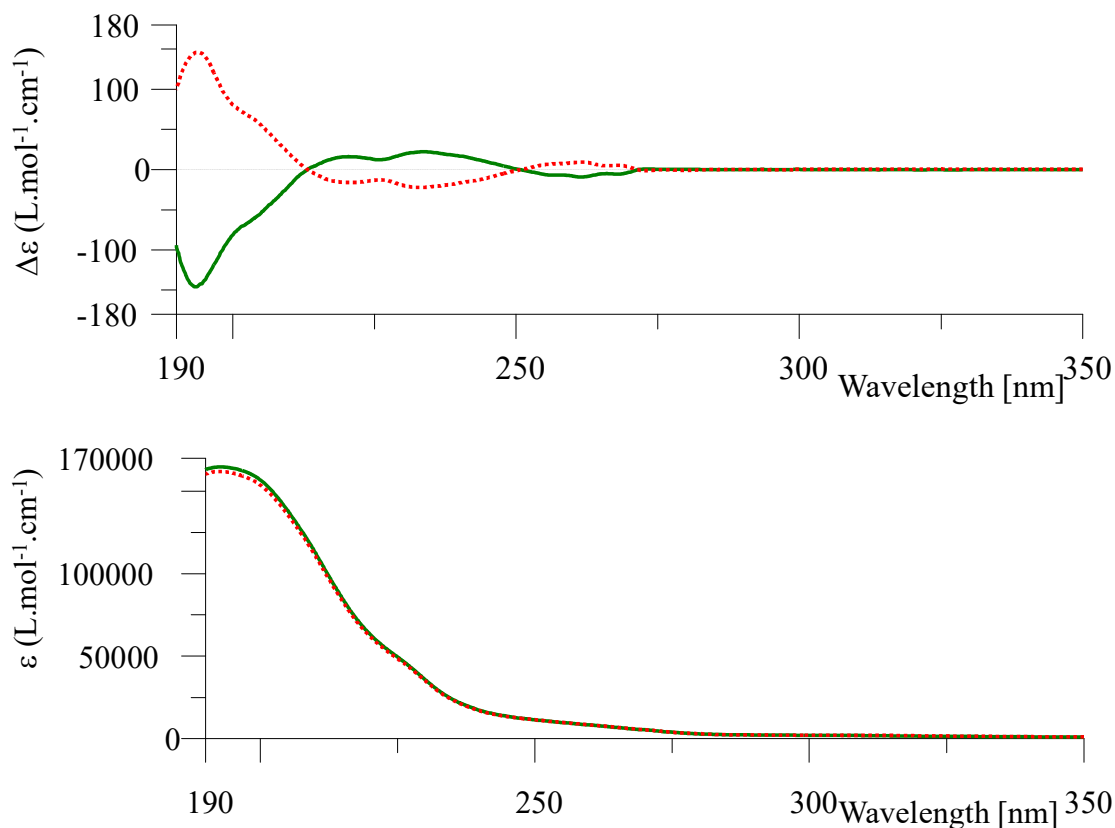


Figure S26. chPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **2f**

| λ (nm) | 2f first eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.11) | 2f second eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.1) |
|----------------|--|--|
| 589 | - 116 | + 116 |
| 578 | - 119 | + 119 |
| 546 | - 140 | + 140 |
| 436 | - 270 | + 270 |
| 405 | - 353 | + 353 |

Table S6. Optical rotations of complexes **2f**



First eluted enantiomer: green solid line, concentration = 0.110 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
 second eluted enantiomer: red dotted line, concentration = 0.110 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S27. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes **2f**

X-ray diffraction: Crystals of the second enantiomer of complex **2f** suitable for XRD were grown by slow diffusion of octane into dichloromethane. The crystal structure is shown in Figure S28. The Flack parameter was refined to a value of zero, providing confirmation of the absolute configuration as the (*R_a*,*R_a*) enantiomer.

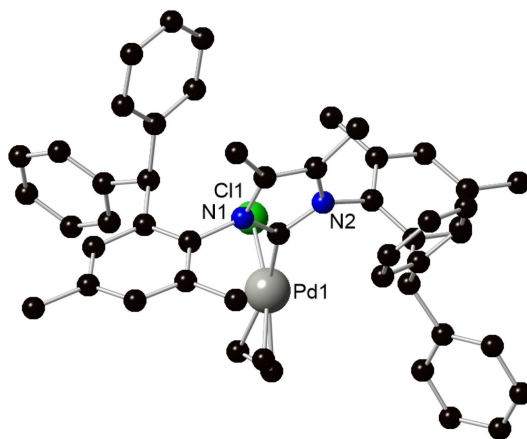
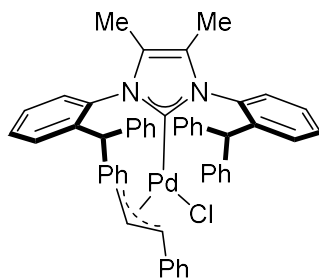


Figure S28. Ball-and-stick representation of the second enantiomer of (+)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2f** (hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity)

Chloro(cinnamyl)[(1-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) *meso*-3d



1-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydrylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1d·OTf** (195 mg, 0.25 mmol) was suspended in MeOH (25 mL) and Dowex-22 Cl (0.33 g) was added in the mixture which was stirred at 25 °C for 14 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (50 mL), dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium chloride which is directly used without further purification.

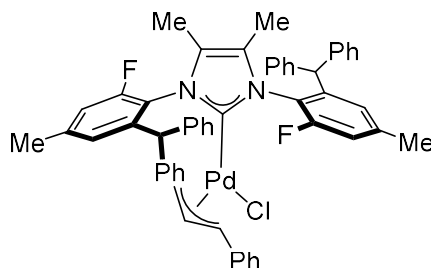
A mixture of the imidazolium chloride and KBF₄ (76 mg, 0.60 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), in a 1:1 mixture of DCM/H₂O (20 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The aqueous phase was extracted by DCM (20 mL x 4) and the combined organic phase was dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium tetrafluoroborate which is directly used without further purification.

According to the general procedure **E**, from imidazolium tetrafluoroborate salt, [Pd(cinnamyl)Cl]₂ (67 mg, 0.13 mmol), K₂CO₃ (83 mg, 0.60 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) a white solid was isolated (162 mg, 78% yield).

¹H NMR spectroscopy proves that this compound is the *meso* diastereomer, without any traces of the expected chiral complex.

R_f = 0.55 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 170.9-171.8 °C. **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 8.18-8.06 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.88-7.75 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.60-7.05 (m, 26H, H^{Ar}), 5.68 (s, 2H, CH), 5.08-4.92 (m, 1H, H^{cinnamyl}), 4.34 (d, J(H,H)= 12.5 Hz, 1H, H^{cinnamyl}), 2.60-2.35 (m, 1H, H^{cinnamyl}), 1.55-1.25 (m, 7H, CH₃ and H^{cinnamyl}). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 181.6 (C), 143.6 (C), 143.1 (C), 142.5 (C), 142.2 (C), 140.8 (C), 140.4 (C), 138.5 (C), 138.2 (C), 137.7 (C), 131.9 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 127.3 (C), 126.9 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 108.9 (CH), 88.9 (CH), 50.9 (CH), 46.8 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH), 9.3 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 861.2213 calcd for C₅₂H₄₅ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 861.2205. **IR (ATR)**: 3055, 3024, 2963, 2922, 2362, 2332, 1699, 1653, 1597, 1488, 1447, 1374, 1319, 1281, 1250, 1180, 1155, 1090, 1075, 1049, 1030, 1003, 967, 919, 817, 784, 750, 728, 696, 656, 619, 605, 535, 524 cm⁻¹.

Chloro(cinnamyl)[(1-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) (±)-3e



1-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium trifluoromethylsulfonate **1e·OTf** (290 mg, 0.36 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) was suspended in MeOH

(25 mL) and Dowex-22 Cl (0.33 g) was added in the mixture which was stirred at 25 °C for 14 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (50 mL), dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium chloride which is directly used without further purification.

A mixture of the imidazolium chloride and KBF₄ (76 mg, 0.60 mmol, 4.6 equiv.), in a 1:1 mixture of DCM/H₂O (20 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The aqueous phase was extracted by DCM (20 mL x 4) and the combined organic phase was dried by Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum to give the imidazolium tetrafluoroborate which is directly used without further purification.

According to the general procedure E, from 1-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-6-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate (290 mg, 0.36 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(cinamyl)Cl]₂ (82 mg, 0.16 mmol), K₂CO₃ (99 mg, 0.72 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) a white solid was obtained (194 mg, 75% yield).

Rf = 0.55 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 270.8-271.4 °C (decomposition). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this complex exists in two isomeric forms in a 1:1 ratio (unassigned). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.60-6.80 (m, 30H, H^{Ar} and CH), 6.40 (s, 1H, CH), 5.55-5.40 (m, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 5.25-5.15 (m, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 4.86 (d, J(H,H)= 13.1 Hz, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 4.70 (d, J(H,H)= 12.7 Hz, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 3.24 (d, J(H,H)= 6.7 Hz, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 3.14 (d, J(H,H)= 6.9 Hz, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 2.52-2.41 (m, 6H, Ar-CH₃), 2.13 (d, J(H,H)= 11.5 Hz, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 1.67 (d, J(H,H)= 11.5 Hz, 0.5H, H^{cinamyl}), 1.06 (s, 6H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 178.3 (C), 177.2 (C), 159.7 (C), 157.2 (C), 140.9 (C), 140.8 (C), 138.2 (C), 137.6 (C), 130.1 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 125.6 (CH), 123.7 (C), 123.6 (C), 114.8 (CH), 109.2 (CH), 108.9 (CH), 91.6 (CH), 88.5 (CH), 51.1 (CH), 48.3 (CH₂), 46.0 (CH₂), 30.5 (CH₃), 22.0 (CH₃), 7.7 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = -115.2 (s, F), -116.0 (s, F), -117.7 (s, F), -118.4 (s, F), -118.5 (s, F), -121.6 (s, F), -123.2 (s, F). **IR (ATR)**: 3058, 3025, 2922, 2358, 2222, 1664, 1619, 1583, 1491, 1449, 1381, 1306, 1177, 1152, 1117, 1076, 1031, 984, 908, 848, 820, 786, 728, 700, 643, 629, 617, 584, 566, 556, 541, 522 cm⁻¹. **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z: 925.2339 calcd for C₅₄H₄₇ClF₂N₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 925.2345. **Chiral HPLC analysis**: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at λ = 254 nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane / ethanol / dichloromethane 85:5:10; 1st enantiomer: Rt = 8.52min and 2nd enantiomer: Rt = 9.53 min. (see Figure S29).

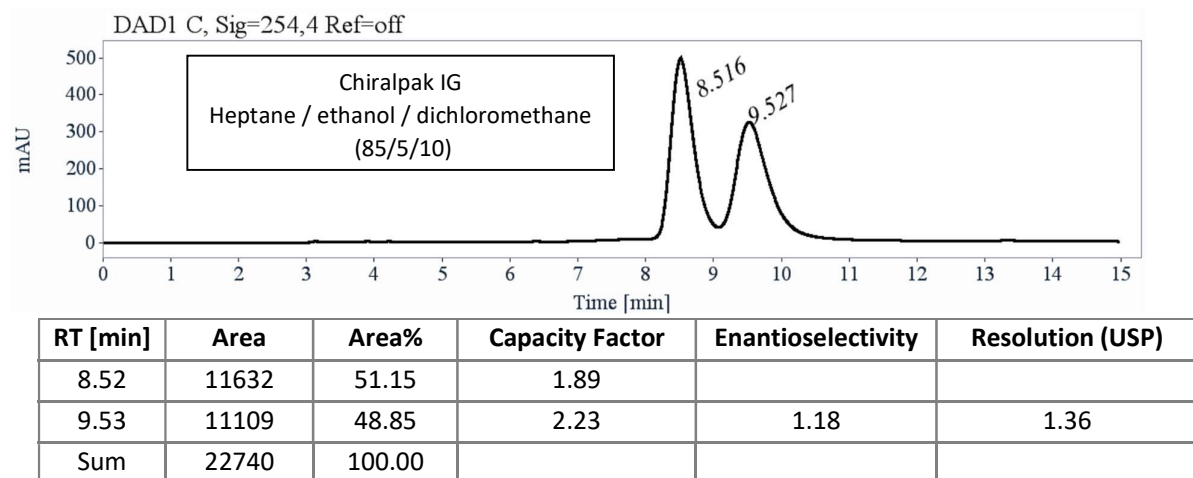


Figure S29. chPLC analysis of palladium complex (±)-3e

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μm) with hexane / ethanol / dichloromethane (85/5/10) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 254 nm with multiple injections. From 160 mg of racemic mixture, 45 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S30) and 42 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 97% (Figure S31).

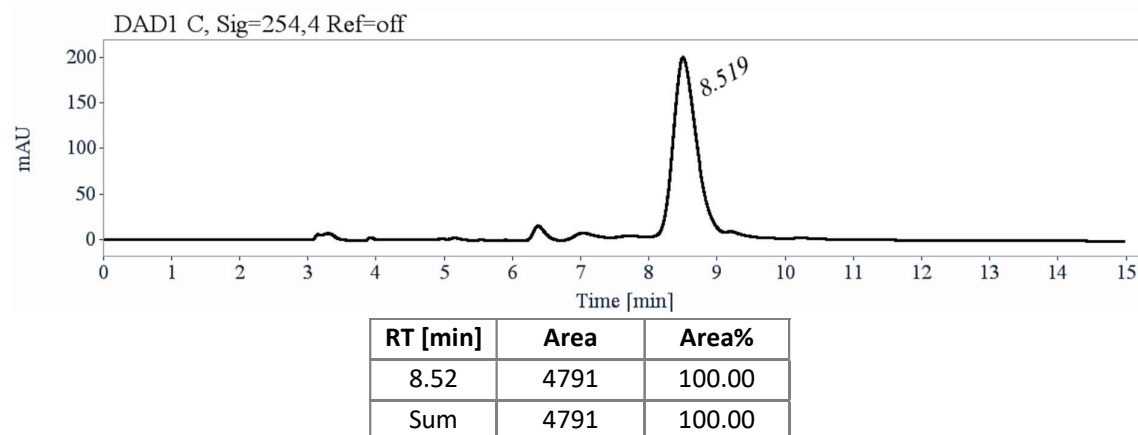


Figure S30. chPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex **3e**

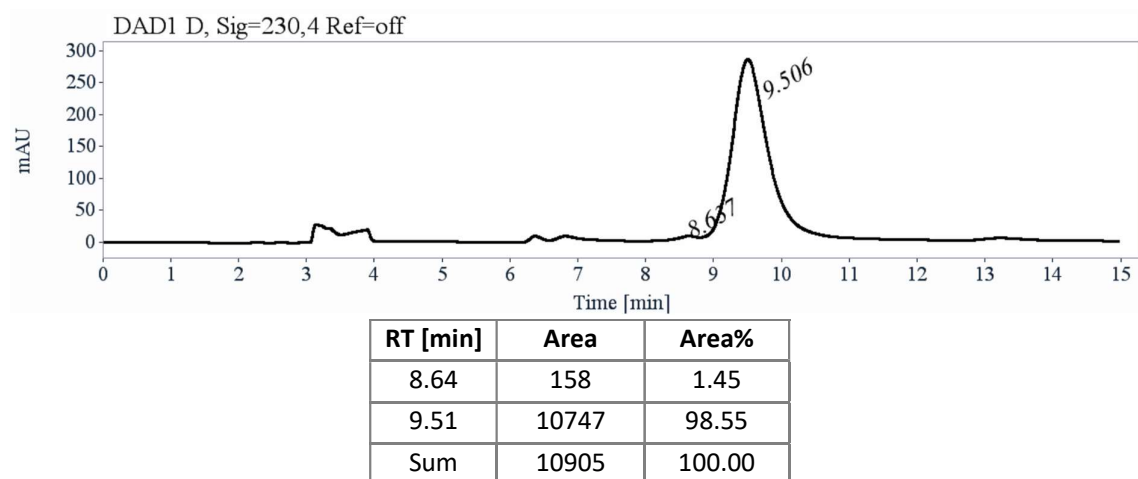
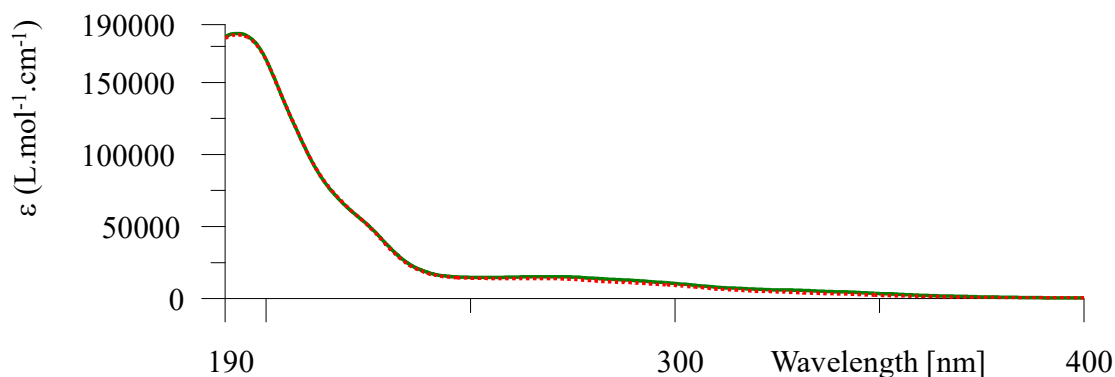
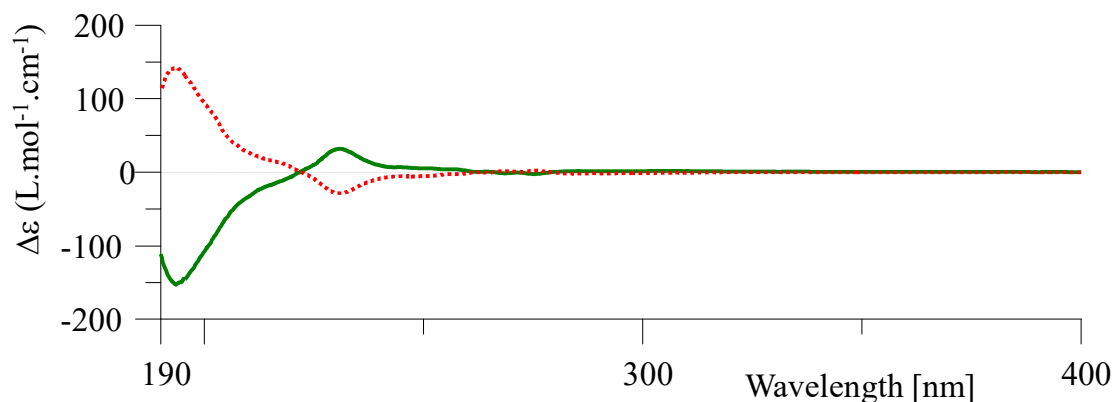


Figure S31. chPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **3e**

| λ (nm) | 3e first eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH_2Cl_2 , c = 0.21) | 3e second eluted on Chiralpak IG $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH_2Cl_2 , c = 0.22) |
|----------------|---|--|
| 589 | - 60 | + 60 |
| 578 | - 63 | + 64 |
| 546 | - 71 | + 72 |

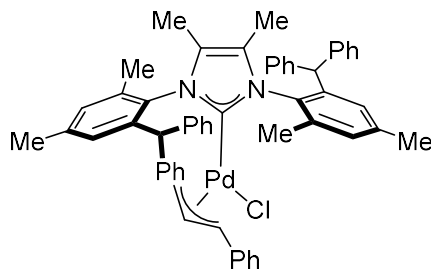
Table S7. Optical rotations of complexes **3e**



First eluted enantiomer: green solid line, concentration = 0.106 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
 second eluted enantiomer: red dotted line, concentration = 0.102 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S32. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes **3e**

Chloro(cinnamyl)[(1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-Benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) **3f**



According to the general procedure **E**, from 1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1f·BF₄** (270 mg, 0.35 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(cinamyl)Cl]₂ (78 mg, 0.15 mmol), K₂CO₃ (95 mg, 0.70 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) the expected complex **3f** was obtained as inseparable mixture of diastereomer (5:1) and as a white solid (220 mg, 82% yield).

Chiral HPLC analysis: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at $\lambda = 254$ nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane / ethanol / dichloromethane 90:5:5; 1st enantiomer and *meso*-complex: Rt = 7.58 min and 2nd enantiomer: Rt = 11.58 min. (see Figure S33)

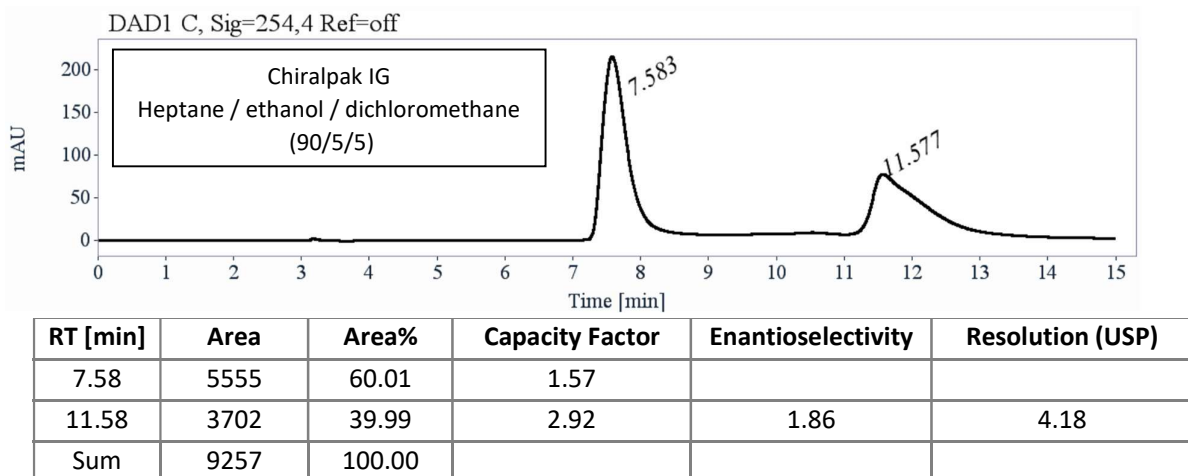


Figure S33: chPLC analysis of palladium complex **3f**

According to the general procedure **E**, from diastereomerically pure 1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1f**·BF₄ (160 mg, 0.22 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(cinamyl)Cl]₂ (52 mg, 0.10 mmol), K₂CO₃ (61 mg, 0.44 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) the expected complex **3f** was obtained as a single diastereomer and as a white solid (160 mg, 90% yield).

Chiral HPLC analysis: Chiralpak IG column with a UV and CD detector at $\lambda = 254$ nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane / ethanol / dichloromethane 90:5:5; 1st enantiomer and *meso*-complex: Rt = 7.81 min and 2nd enantiomer: Rt = 12.18 min. (see Figure S34)

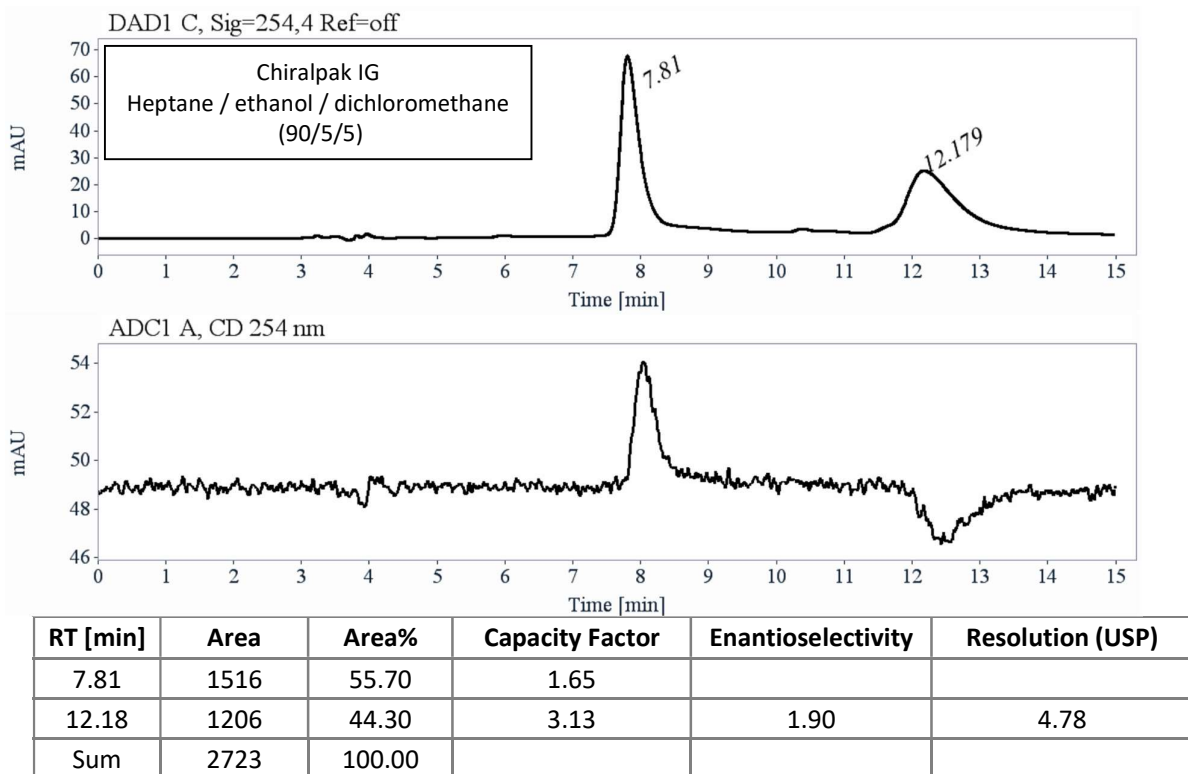


Figure S34. chPLC analysis of palladium complex **3f**

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was with a Chiralpak IG column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μ m) with hexane / ethanol / dichloromethane (90/5/5) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 254 nm with multiple injections. From 150 mg of racemic mixture, 54 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (

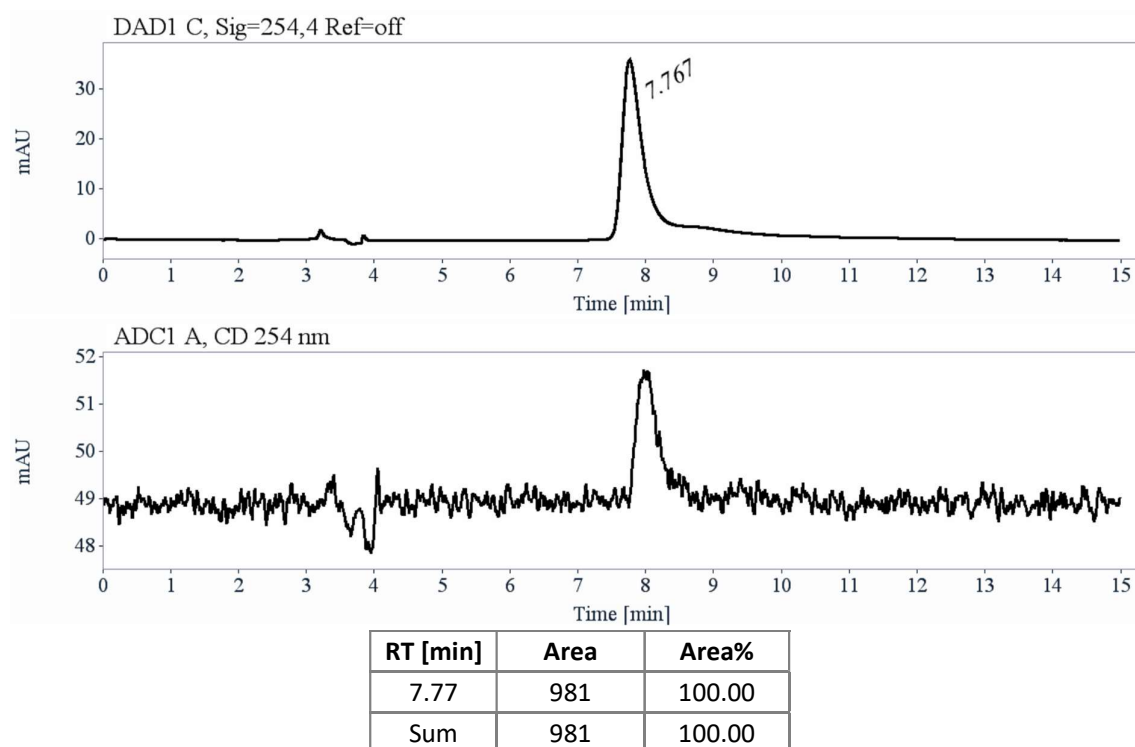


Figure S35) and 49 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (

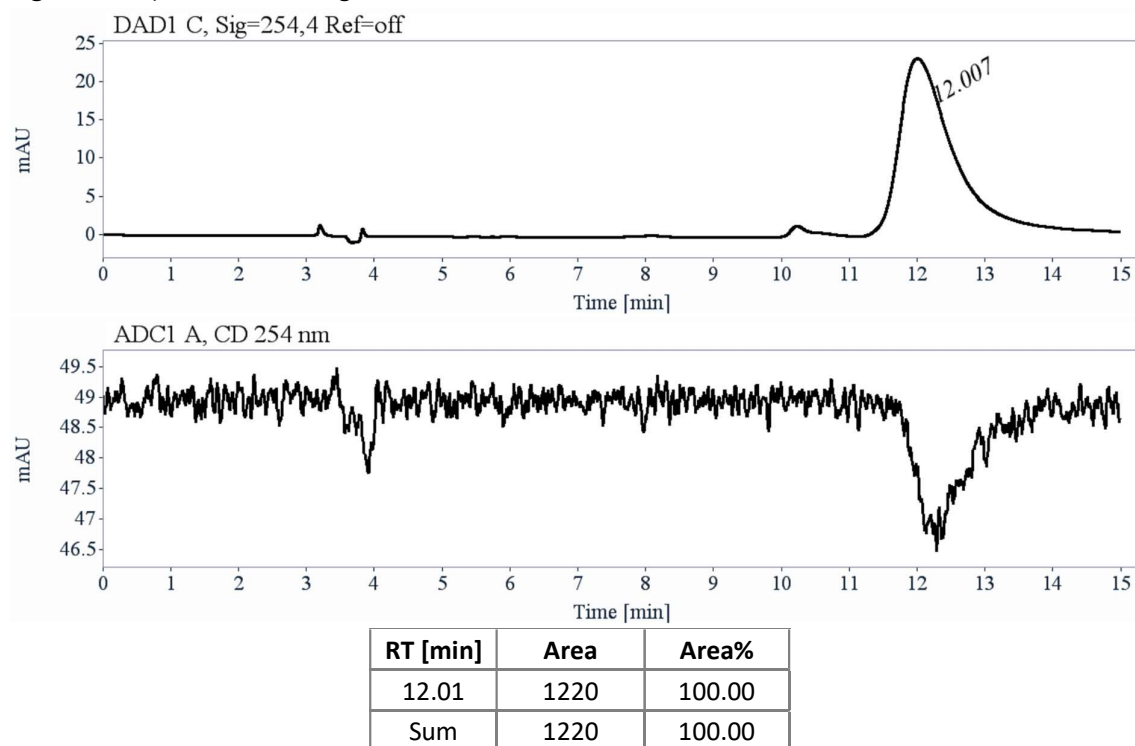


Figure S36).

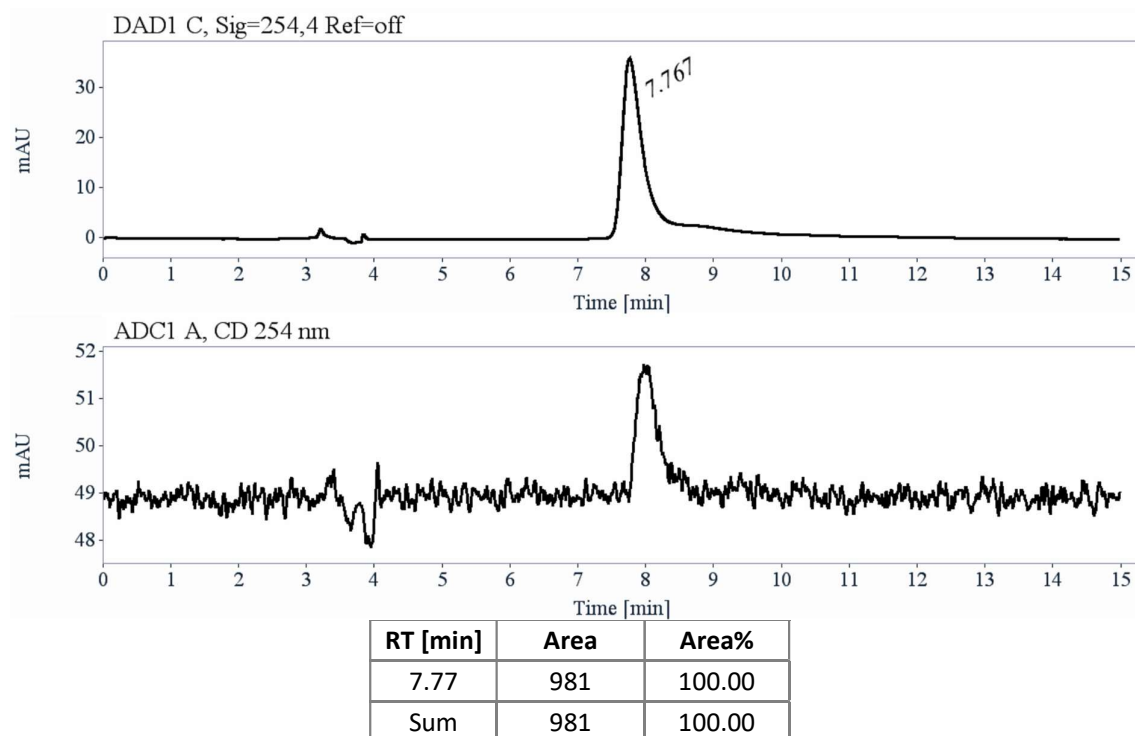


Figure S35: cHPLC analysis of the first eluted complex **3f**

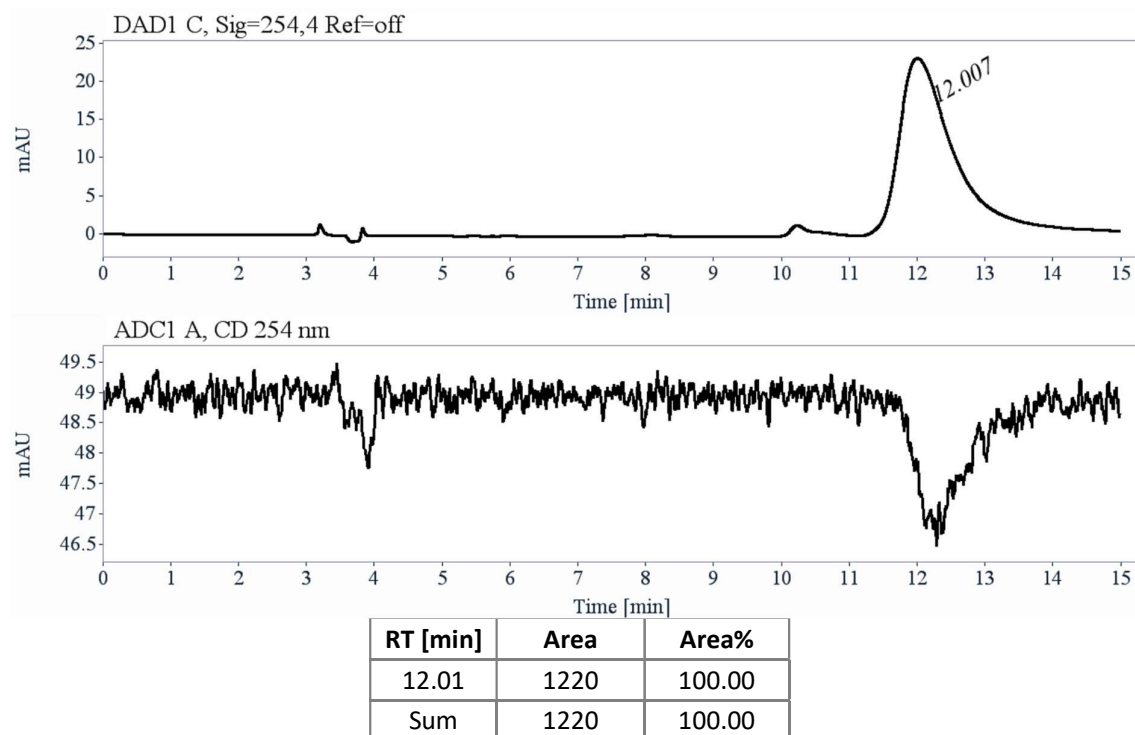
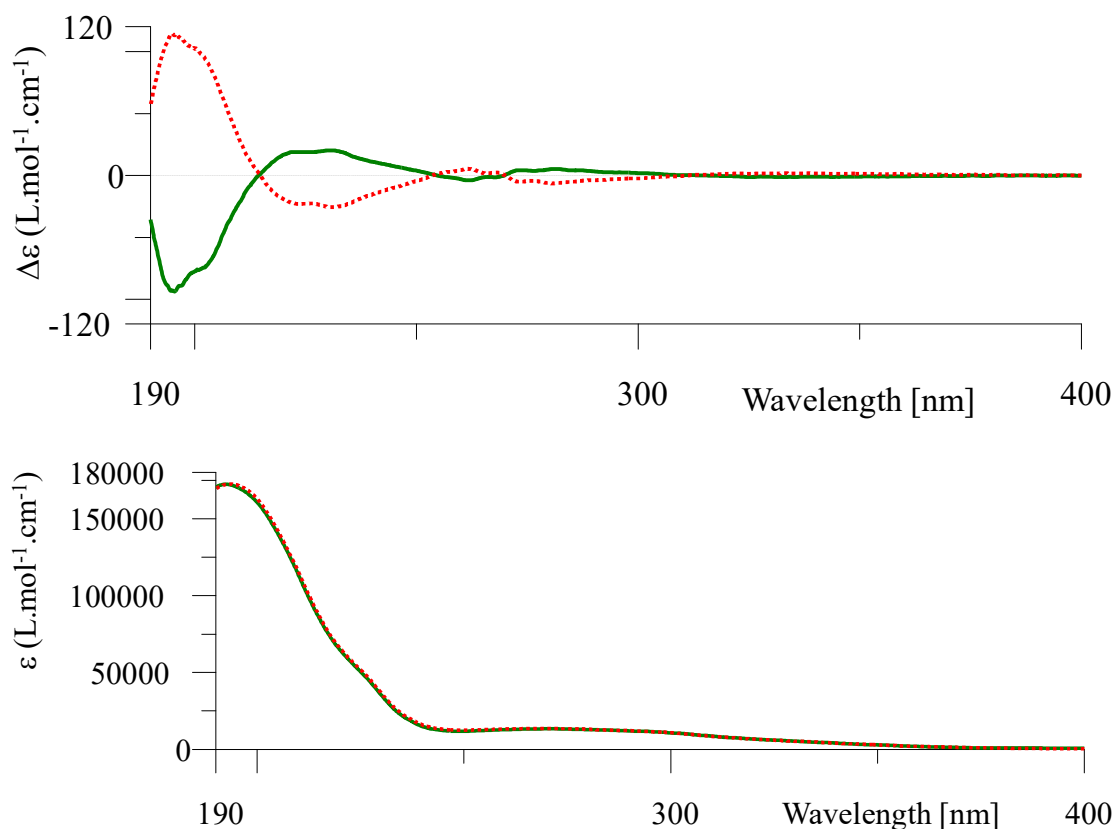


Figure S36: cHPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **3f**

| | 3f | 3f |
|----------------|---|--|
| λ (nm) | first eluted on Chiralpak IG | second eluted on Chiralpak IG |
| | $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =) | $[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c =0.186) |

| | | |
|-----|----------------|-------|
| 589 | not determined | + 77 |
| 578 | not determined | + 75 |
| 546 | not determined | + 88 |
| 436 | not determined | + 177 |

Table S8. Optical rotations of complexes **3f**



First eluted enantiomer: green solid line, concentration = 0.105 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
 Second eluted enantiomer: red dotted line, concentration = 0.106 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S37. Electronic Circular Dichroism of complexes **3f**

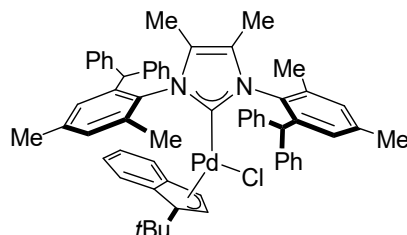
Pure *meso*-**3f** could not be obtained.

Data for (±)-**3f** are as follow:

Rf = 0.53 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). **Mp** = 183.8-185.1 °C (decomposition). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.45-6.95 (m, 28H, H^{Ar} and CH), 6.80-6.70 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 5.24-5.10 (m, 0.52H, H^{cinamyl}, *maj*), 5.06-4.94 (m, 0.48H, H^{cinamyl}, *min*), 4.65 (d, *J*(H,H)= 13.1 Hz, 0.52H, H^{cinamyl}, *maj*), 4.53 (d, *J*(H,H)= 13.1 Hz, 0.48H, H^{cinamyl}, *min*), 2.78 (d, *J*(H,H)= 6.9 Hz, 0.52H, H^{cinamyl}, *maj*), 2.61 (d, *J*(H,H)= 6.9 Hz, 0.48H, H^{cinamyl}, *min*), 2.36-2.16 (m, 12H, Ar-CH₃), 1.72 (d, *J*(H,H)= 11.5 Hz, 0.48H, H^{cinamyl}, *min*), 1.28 (d, *J*(H,H)= 11.5 Hz, 0.52H, H^{cinamyl}, *maj*), 1.02 (s, 1.44H, CH₃, *min*), 0.99 (s, 1.56H, CH₃, *maj*). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 177.6 (C), 142.4 (C), 142.3 (C), 138.6 (C), 137.7 (C), 134.9 (C), 130.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 127.3 (C), 127.1 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 109.0 (CH), 108.7 (CH), 92.7 (CH), 89.6 (CH), 68.1 (CH), 50.9 (CH), 46.8 (CH₂), 44.5 (CH₂).

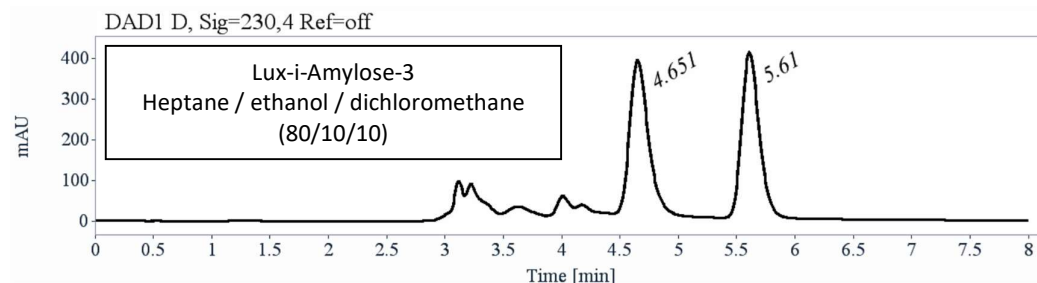
25.8(CH₂), 21.7 (CH₃), 19.2(CH₃), 8.4 (CH₃), 8.3 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 917.2841 calcd for C₅₆H₅₃ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 917.2832. **IR (ATR):** 3056, 3022, 2920, 2855, 2358, 1744, 1654, 1598, 1492, 1475, 1447, 1372, 1315, 1178, 1155, 1117, 1076, 1031, 1002, 969, 932, 855, 822, 780, 744, 734, 699, 629, 618, 577, 566, 523 cm⁻¹.

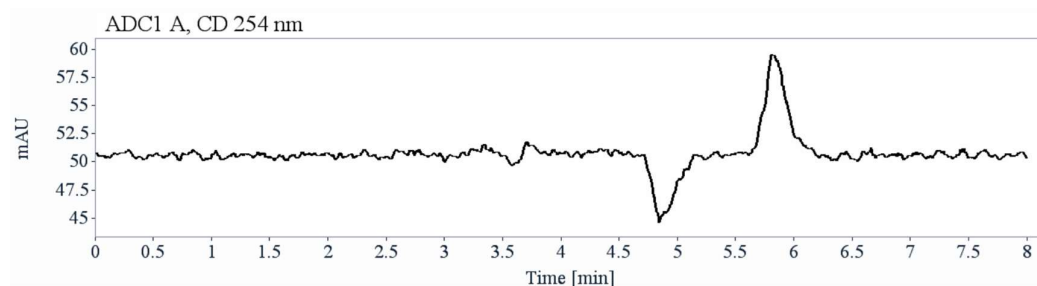
Chloro(η^3 -1-*t*Bu-indenyl)[(1-(2-benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-3-(2-Benzhydryl-4,6-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazol-2-yl)] palladium(II) 4f



A mixture of diastereomerically pure heterochiral imidazolium tetrafluoroborate **1f**·BF₄ (100 mg, 0.14 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), [Pd(η^3 -1-*t*Bu-indenyl)]₂ (41 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1 equiv.), K₂CO₃ (38 mg, 0.28 mmol, 4.6 equiv.) in acetone was stirred at 60 °C for 4 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite[®] pad and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by silica gel column (PE/Et₂O = 2:1) give the NHC-palladium complex **4f** as orange solid. (71 mg, 57% yield). The product was obtained as a diastereomerically pure complex.

R_f = 0.78 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). **Mp** = 264.2-267.5 °C (decomposition). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H, *H*^{Ar} and *H*^{Ind}), 7.11 (s, 14H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.97 (s, 6H, *H*^{Ar} and *H*^{Ind}), 6.71 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ind}), 6.59 (s, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.50 (s, 1H, CH), 6.33 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.18 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ind}), 5.89 – 5.82 (m, 1H, *H*^{Ind}), 5.64 (s, 1H, CH), 4.94 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ind}), 2.35 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.23 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.45 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 0.78 (s, 6H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 169.0(C^{carbene}), 141.3 (C), 139.9 (C), 135.3 (C), 130.2 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 124.5 (CH), 123.6 (CH), 119.3 (CH), 118.6 (C), 117.2 (CH), 109.6 (CH), 62.2 (CH), 34.4 (C), 29.6 (CH₃), 21.6 (CH₃), 8.4 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 971.3311 calcd for: C₆₀H₅₉ClN₂PdNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: found 971.3326. **IR (ATR):** 3054, 2968, 1706, 1601, 1494, 1449, 1367, 1264, 1199, 1078, 1032, 896, 858, 731, 701, 632, 566, 527 cm⁻¹. **Chiral HPLC analysis:** Lux-i-Amylose-3 column with an UV detector at λ = 230 nm and a circular dichroism detector at λ = 254 nm; flow rate 1 mL/min; eluent: Heptane/ethanol/dichloromethane 80:10:10; 1st enantiomer: *R_t* = 4.65 min and 2nd enantiomer: *R_t* = 5.61 min (see Figure S38).

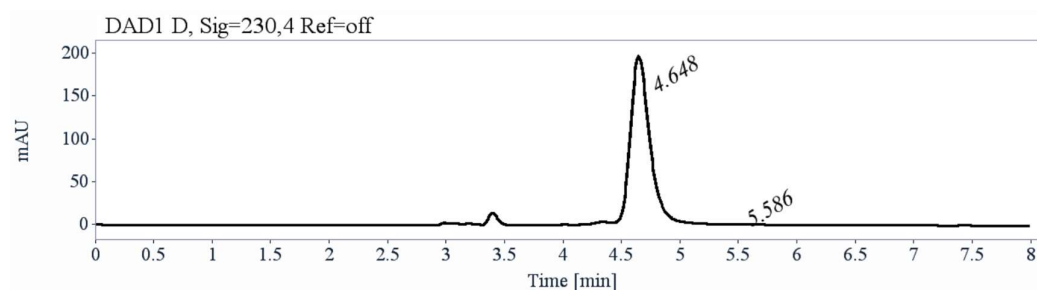




| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 4.65 | 4228 | 49.59 | 0.58 | | |
| 5.61 | 4299 | 50.41 | 0.90 | 1.56 | 3.41 |
| Sum | 8527 | 100.00 | | | |

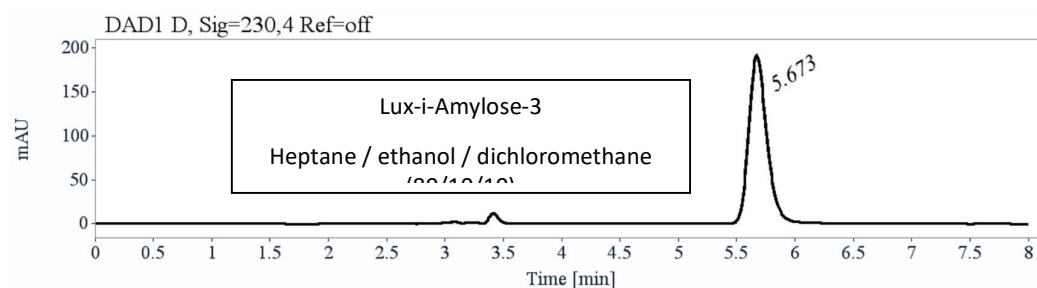
Figure S38. Analysis of complex **4f** by chPLC

The preparative chiral HPLC separation was done on a Lux-i-Amylose-3 (250 x 10 mm) with hexane / EtOH / dichloromethane (80/10/10) as mobile phase, flow-rate = 5 mL/min, UV detection at 254 nm with multiple injections. From 65 mg of complex, 23 mg of the first eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S39), 20 mg of the second eluted enantiomer with ee > 99.5% (Figure S40) were obtained.



| RT [min] | Area | Area% |
|----------|------|--------|
| 4.65 | 2176 | 99.77 |
| 5.59 | 5 | 0.23 |
| Sum | 2181 | 100.00 |

Figure S39. chPLC analysis of the first eluted palladium complex **4f**



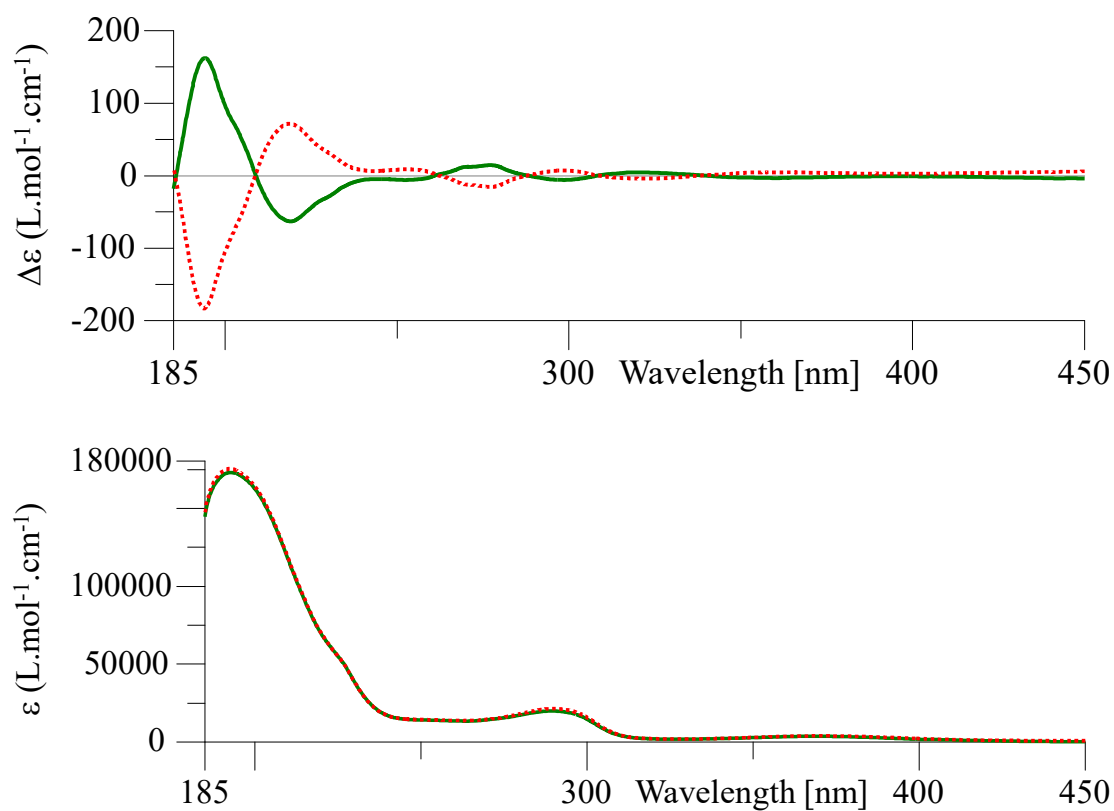
| RT [min] | Area | Area% |
|----------|------|--------|
| 5.67 | 2057 | 100.00 |

| | | |
|-----|------|--------|
| Sum | 2057 | 100.00 |
|-----|------|--------|

Figure S40. chPLC analysis of the second eluted palladium complex **4f**

| λ (nm) | 4f | 4f |
|----------------|---|--|
| | first eluted on Lux-i-Amylose-3 [α] $_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c = 0.074) | second eluted on Lux-i-Amylose-3 [α] $_{\lambda}^{25}$ (CH ₂ Cl ₂ , c = 0.083) |
| 589 | - 740 | + 740 |
| 578 | - 830 | + 830 |
| 546 | - 1050 | + 1050 |

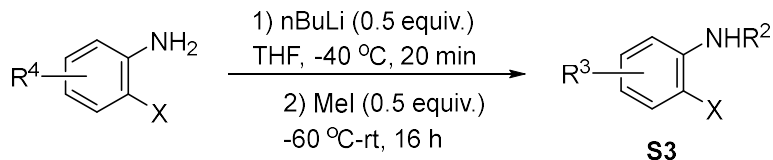
Table S9. Optical rotations of complexes **4f**



first eluted enantiomer : green solid line, concentration = 0.960 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.
second eluted enantiomer : red dotted line, concentration = 0.957 mmol.L⁻¹ in acetonitrile.

Figure S41. Electronic Circular Dichroism of chiral complexes **4f**

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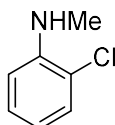


Scheme S3. Preparation of functionalized bromoanilines

General procedure F: Preparation of functionalized bromoanilines

To a solution of aniline (1 mmol) in dry THF (2 mL), *n*BuLi (0.5 mmol, 0.5 equiv., 1.6 M in hexane) was added dropwise at -40 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction was stirred at -40 °C for 20 minutes before to add dropwise alkylhalide (0.5 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) at -60 °C. The reaction was slowly warmed up to room temperature and stirred for another 16 hours. The reaction was quenched with water (5 mL) and the mixture was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 x 5 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with NaHCO₃ (2 x 5 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/ether = 20: 1)

2-Chloro-*N*-methylaniline S3⁶



According to the general procedure F, from 2-chloroaniline (2.54 g, 20 mmol), *n*BuLi (6.25 mL, 1.6 M in hexane, 10 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), MeI (0.62 mL, 10 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow liquid. (1.37 g, 97% yield).

R_f = 0.82 (PE/Et₂O 9:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.28-7.12 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.68-6.59 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 4.34 (br, 1H, *NH*), 2.91 (d, *J*(H,H) = 5.1 Hz, 3H, *CH₃*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ =145.1 (C), 129.0 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 119.1 (C), 117.1 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 110.7 (CH), 30.4 (CH₃).

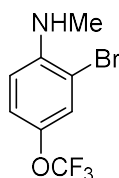
2-Bromo-*N*-methylaniline⁶



According to the general procedure F, from 2-bromoaniline (10.0 g, 58.2 mmol), *n*BuLi (18.2 mL, 1.6 M in hexane, 29.1 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), MeI (1.82 mL, 29.1 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a yellow liquid. (3.6 g, 66% yield).

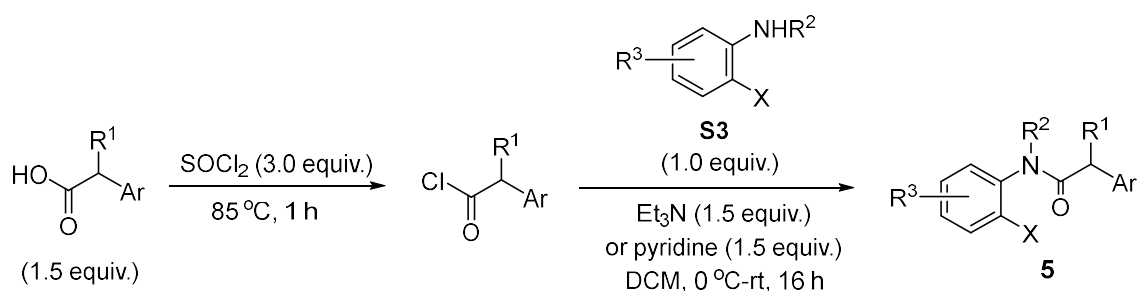
R_f = 0.80 (PE/Et₂O 9:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.44 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 and 1.5 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.25-7.20 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.65 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 8.2 and 1.5 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.62-6.57 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 4.37 (br, 1H, *NH*), 2.92 (d, *J*(H,H) = 5.2 Hz, 3H, *CH₃*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ =146.1 (C), 132.4 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 117.7 (CH), 110.8(CH), 109.7 (C), 30.7 (CH₃).

2-Bromo-*N*-methyl-4-(trifluoromethoxy)aniline⁷



According to the general procedure F, from 2-bromo-5-trifluoromethoxyaniline (5.0 g, 19.7 mmol), *n*BuLi (6.15 mL, 1.6 M in hexane, 9.85 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), MeI (0.61 mL, 9.85 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a yellow liquid. (2.04 g, 77% yield).

R_f = 0.45 (PE/Et₂O 4:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.34 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 2.6 and 1.0 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.13-7.07 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.58 (d, *J*(H,H) = 8.9 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 4.46 (br, 1H, NH), 2.89 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 145.2 (C), 139.5 (C), 125.8 (CH), 121.9 (CH), 120.8 (q, *J*¹(C,F) = 256.1 Hz, CF₃), 110.2 (CH), 108.7 (C), 30.8 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃)**: -58.7 (s, 3F, CF₃).

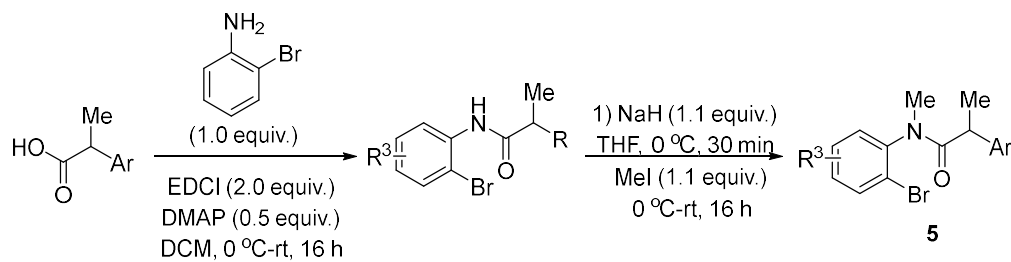


Scheme S4. Synthesis of substrates **5** with acyl chloride reagent

General procedure G: Synthesis of substrates **5** with acyl chloride reagent

A mixture of the carbonyl acid (1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in SOCl₂ (3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) was stirred at 85 °C for 2 hours. The excess SOCl₂ was removed under vacuum to give the carbonyl chloride which was used without further treatment.

To a solution of the carbonyl chloride in dry dichloromethane, a solution of triethylamine or pyridine (1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in dry dichloromethane was added dropwise at 0 °C under argon atmosphere followed a solution of the *N*-methylaniline (1 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (4 mL). The resulting mixture was slowly warmed up to room temperature and stirred for 16 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with ether (10 mL) and quenched with NH₄Cl (aq. 10 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted by ether (2 x 10 mL). The organic phase was washed with NaHCO₃ (3 x 10 mL), brine (10 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/ether = 2: 1).



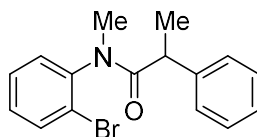
Scheme S5. Synthesis of substrates **5** from carboxylic acid

General procedure H: Synthesis of substrates 5 from carboxylic acid

To a solution of the carboxylic acid (1.0 mmol) and aniline (1.0 mmol 1.0 equiv.) in dry dichloromethane, *N,N*-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (0.5 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) was added in one portion at 0 °C under argon atmosphere. Then *N*-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-*N'*-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (EDCI) (2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added in one portion. The reaction was slowly warmed up to room temperature and stirred for 16 hours. The mixture was quenched by water (20 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted by dichloromethane (2 x 30 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/dichloromethane = 1: 2) to give the amide.

To suspension of NaH (1.1 mmol, 60% in mineral, 1.1 equiv.) in dry THF (30 mL), a solution of the amide in dry THF was added dropwise at 0 °C under argon atmosphere and the reaction was then stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. MeI (1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added dropwise and the reaction was stirred for another 16 hours. The mixture was filtered through a silica/celite® plug and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/ether = 1: 1).

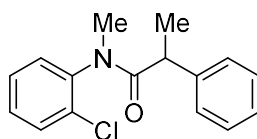
N-(2-Bromophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide⁶ 5a



According to the general procedure G, from 2-phenylpropanoic acid (1.95 g, 13.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (1.88 mL, 26.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methylaniline (1.6 g, 8.65 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), triethylamine (1.77 mL, 13 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a yellow oil. (1.94 g, 71% yield).

Rf = 0.43 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.72 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 and 1.6 Hz, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.59 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 8.1 and 1.4 Hz, 0.3H, *H*^{Ar}, *min*), 7.46-7.34 (m, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.28-7.14 (m, 4.6H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.04-6.94 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.71 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.7 and 1.7 Hz, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 3.53 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.35 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.20 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.18 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 1.44 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.42 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 0.7H, CH₃, *min*). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 174.0 (C), 173.8 (C), 142.6 (C), 142.4 (C), 141.8 (C), 140.8 (C), 134.1 (CH), 133.6 (CH), 131.0 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 124.3 (C), 123.8 (C), 44.2 (CH), 43.4 (CH), 36.3 (CH₃), 36.2 (CH₃), 20.7 (CH₃), 20.2 (CH₃).

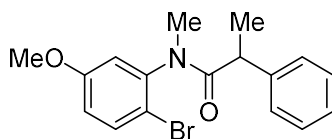
N-(2-Chlorophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide⁶ 5a(Cl)



According to the general procedure G, from 2-phenylpropanoic acid (1.13 g, 7.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (1.1 mL, 15.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-chloro-*N*-methylaniline (0.71 g, 5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), triethylamine (1.04 mL, 7.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a yellow oil. (1.0 g, 73% yield).

Rf = 0.45 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.53 (d, *J*(H,H) = 8.0 Hz, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 7.39-7.27 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.22-7.09 (m, 3.6H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.02-6.92 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.72 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 and 1.6 Hz, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 3.55 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.35 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.19 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.42 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 174.2 (C), 174.1 (C), 141.9 (C), 141.1 (C), 140.9 (C), 140.8 (C), 134.1 (C), 133.2 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.5 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 44.0 (CH), 43.5 (CH), 36.3 (CH₃), 36.2 (CH₃), 20.7 (CH₃), 20.1 (CH₃).

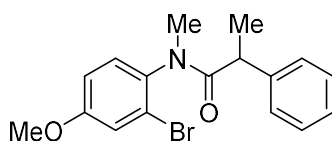
***N*-(2-Bromo-5-methoxyphenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide⁸ 5b**



According to the general procedure G, from 2-phenylpropanoic acid (0.30 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-5-methoxyaniline (0.40 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), EDCl (0.77 g, 4.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), DMAP (0.12 g, 1.0 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), NaH (0.55 g, 60% in mineral oil, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), MeI (95 μL, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (340 mg, 49% yield).

Rf = 0.47 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 4:1 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.62 (d, *J*(H,H) = 8.9 Hz, 0.8H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 7.58 (d, *J*(H,H) = 8.9 Hz, 0.2H, *H^{Ar}*, *min*), 7.36-7.20 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.17-7.12 (m, 0.4H, *H^{Ar}*, *min*), 7.09-7.02 (m, 1.6H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 6.98-6.83 (m, 1.2H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.21 (d, *J*(H,H) = 3.0 Hz, 0.8H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 3.93 (s, 0.9H, OCH₃, *min*), 3.65 (q, *J*(H,H) = 7.0 Hz, 0.2H, CH, *min*), 3.44 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.8H, CH, *maj*), 3.47 (s, 2.1H, OCH₃, *maj*), 3.25 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.50 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 174.0 (C), 173.6 (C), 159.9 (C), 159.5 (C), 143.3 (C), 142.8 (C), 142.2 (C), 140.8 (C), 134.3 (CH), 133.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 117.0 (C), 115.9 (CH), 115.5 (CH), 115.4 (CH), 114.4 (C), 113.6 (C), 55.9 (CH₃), 55.4 (CH₃), 44.4 (CH), 43.3 (CH), 36.2 (CH₃), 36.1 (CH₃), 20.8 (CH₃), 20.3 (CH₃).

***N*-(2-Bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide 5c**

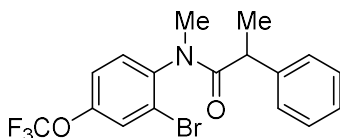


According to the general procedure H, from 2-phenylpropanoic acid (0.30 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-4-methoxyaniline (0.40 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), EDCl (0.77 g, 4.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), DMAP (0.12 g, 1.0 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), NaH (0.55 g, 60% in mineral oil, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), MeI (95 μL, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (560 mg, 80% yield).

Rf = 0.47 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.36-6.98 (m, 6.6H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.78-6.72 (m, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 6.69-6.64 (m, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 3.93 (s, 0.9H, OCH₃, *min*), 3.91 (s, 2.1H, OCH₃, *maj*), 3.62 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.46 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.24 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.21 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 1.50 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.0 Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.48 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.2 Hz, 0.7H, CH₃, *min*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):**

δ = 174.5 (C), 174.3 (C), 159.8 (C), 159.7 (C), 142.0 (C), 140.9 (C), 135.5 (C), 135.2 (C), 131.2 (CH), 130.4 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 124.7 (C), 124.1 (C), 118.8 (CH), 118.5 (CH), 114.6 (CH), 114.2 (CH), 55.9 (CH₃), 44.0 (CH), 43.2 (CH), 36.5 (CH₃), 20.7 (CH₃), 20.3 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** m/z : 348.0594 calcd for: C₁₇H₁₉NO₂Br⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 348.0589. **IR (ATR):** 3058, 3027, 2969, 2931, 2839, 2358, 2117, 1892, 1657, 1599, 1562, 1492, 1453, 1439, 1419, 1375, 1319, 1284, 1256, 1222, 1181, 1127, 1066, 1031, 910, 846, 820, 776, 732, 697, 676, 602, 578, 525, 508 cm⁻¹.

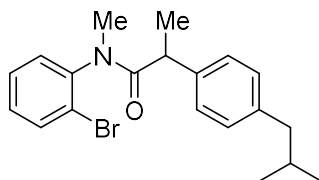
***N*-(2-Bromo-4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide 5d**



According to the general procedure G, from 2-phenylpropanoic acid (0.45 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.44 mL, 6.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methyl-4-(trifluoromethoxy)aniline (0.54 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (0.25 mL, 3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (700 mg, 87% yield).

Rf = 0.35 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.58 (d, J (H,H) = 2.6 Hz, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.43-7.36 (m, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.32-7.14 (m, 3.3H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.00-6.86 (m, 2.6H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.63 (d, J (H,H) = 8.7 Hz, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 3.50 (q, J (H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.30 (q, J (H,H) = 6.9 Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.18 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.16 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 1.43 (d, J (H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.42 (d, J (H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 0.7H, CH₃, *min*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 173.8 (C), 173.6 (C), 148.8 (C), 148.7 (C), 141.7 (C), 141.4 (C), 141.1 (C), 140.4 (C), 131.9 (CH), 131.1 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 125.4 (C), 124.5 (C), 121.1 (CH), 120.8 (CH), 120.4 (q, J^1 (C,F) = 259.0 Hz, CF₃), 44.7 (CH), 43.9 (CH), 38.4 (CH₃), 36.3 (CH₃), 20.8 (CH₃), 20.4 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = -58.0 (s, 3F, CF₃). **HRMS (ESI):** m/z : 402.0311 calcd for: C₁₇H₁₆BrF₃NO₂⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 402.0310. **IR (ATR):** 3373, 3063, 3028, 2974, 2933, 2361, 1667, 1599, 1573, 1488, 1453, 1420, 1375, 1248, 1213, 1165, 1124, 1067, 1043, 1018, 942, 906, 879, 827, 806, 778, 749, 698, 678, 649, 594, 569, 545, 506 cm⁻¹.

***N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-isobutylphenyl)-*N*-methylpropanamide⁹ 5e**

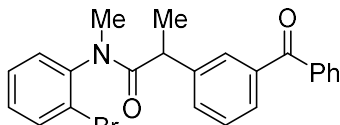


According to the general procedure G, from 2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propanoic acid (0.5 g, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.35 mL, 4.86 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methylaniline (0.30 g, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (0.20 mL, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (600 mg, 98% yield).

Rf = 0.55 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.70 (dd, J (H,H) = 7.9 and 1.6 Hz, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.55 (dd, J (H,H) = 8.0 and 1.5 Hz, 0.3H, *H*^{Ar}, *min*), 7.45-7.39 (m, 0.3H, *H*^{Ar}, *min*), 7.36-7.32 (m, 0.3H, *H*^{Ar}, *min*), 7.26-7.10 (m, 1.7H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.98-6.93 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.89-6.81 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.69 (dd, J (H,H) = 7.7 and 1.8 Hz, 0.7H, *H*^{Ar},

maj), 3.50 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.0$ Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.31 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.18 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.16 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 2.44-2.36 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.88-1.74 (m, 1H, CH₂CH), 1.41 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.8$ Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.39 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.8$ Hz, 0.7H, NCH₃, *min*), 0.89 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.7$ Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂), 0.88 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.7$ Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)₂). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 174.2$ (C), 174.1 (C), 142.7 (C), 142.5 (C), 140.2 (C), 140.1 (C), 139.1 (C), 138.0 (C), 134.1 (CH), 133.6 (CH), 131.1 (CH), 130.3 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 124.4 (C), 123.8 (CH), 45.2 (CH₂), 45.1 (CH₂), 43.9 (CH), 43.1 (CH), 36.3 (CH₃), 36.2 (CH₃), 30.3 (CH), 25.5 (CH₃), 25.4 (CH₃), 20.7 (CH₃), 20.3 (CH₃).

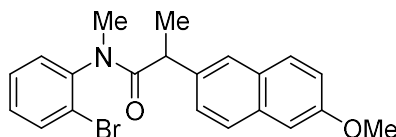
2-(3-Benzoylphenyl)-N-(2-bromophenyl)-N-methylpropanamide 5f



According to the general procedure G, from ketoprofen (0.62 g, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.35 mL, 4.86 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-N-methylaniline (0.30 g, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (0.20 mL, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (663 mg, 97% yield).

Rf = 0.25 (PE/Et₂O 1:2). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.75$ -7.05 (m, 12.3H, H^{Ar}), 6.69 (dd, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.4$ and 2.1 Hz, 0.7H, H^{Ar}, *maj*), 3.54 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.0$ Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.38 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.12 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.11 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 1.40 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.36 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.8$ Hz, 0.7H, CH₃, *min*). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 196.7$ (C), 196.5 (C), 173.6 (C), 173.4 (C), 142.4 (C), 142.3 (C), 142.1 (C), 141.1 (C), 137.8 (C), 137.7 (C), 137.6 (C), 134.2 (CH), 133.9 (CH), 132.6 (CH), 132.4 (CH), 132.2 (CH), 131.4 (CH), 130.8 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 124.2 (C), 123.8 (C), 44.0 (CH), 43.3 (CH), 36.4 (CH₃), 36.3 (CH₃), 20.5 (CH₃), 20.1 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z : 424.0733 calcd for: C₂₃H₂₁NO₂Br⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 424.0723. **IR (ATR)**: 3058, 2974, 2931, 2361, 1966, 1813, 1654, 1596, 1580, 1475, 1445, 1434, 1376, 1316, 1278, 1243, 1196, 1177, 1130, 1072, 1046, 1027, 998, 953, 927, 904, 821, 790, 764, 717, 698, 643, 606, 576, 561, 512 cm⁻¹.

N-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)-N-methylpropanamide 5g

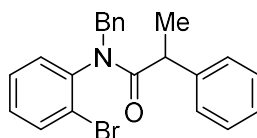


According to the general procedure H, from 2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)propanoic acid (0.25 g, 1.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-5-methoxyaniline (0.35 g, 1.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), EDCI (0.57 g, 3.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), DMAP (0.09 g, 0.75 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), NaH (0.58 g, 60% in mineral oil, 1.65 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), MeI (129 μ L, 1.65 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) afforded a light yellow oil. (340 mg, 49% yield).

Rf = 0.23 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **Mp** = 119.9-112.0 °C. In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.91$ (dd, $J(\text{H,H}) = 8.0$ and 1.5 Hz, 0.7H, H^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.79-7.71 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 7.70-7.55 (m, 0.7H, H^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.48-7.34 (m, 2.5H, H^{Ar}), 7.30-7.22 (m, 3.4H, H^{Ar}), 6.81 (dd, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.8$ and 1.7 Hz, 0.7H, H^{Ar}, *maj*), 4.08 (s, 2.1H, OCH₃, *maj*), 4.07 (s, 0.9H, OCH₃, *min*), 3.85

(q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.0$ Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.65 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 3.37 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.36 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 1.67 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.66 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 0.9H, CH₃, *min*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: $\delta = 174.1$ (C), 173.9 (C), 157.6 (C), 157.4 (C), 142.7 (C), 142.4 (C), 136.9 (C), 135.8 (C), 134.0 (CH), 133.4 (CH), 133.6 (CH), 133.5 (C), 131.1 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 129.0 (C), 128.8 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 124.5 (C), 123.8 (C), 118.8 (CH), 118.6 (CH), 105.7 (CH), 105.6 (CH), 55.4 (CH₃), 55.3 (CH₃), 44.2 (CH), 43.3 (CH), 36.3 (CH₃), 36.2 (CH₃), 20.7 (CH₃), 20.2 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z : 400.0732 calcd for: C₂₁H₂₁NO₂Br⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 400.0728. **IR (ATR)**: 3305, 3053, 3004, 2966, 2924, 2841, 2361, 2333, 2117, 1657, 1603, 1581, 1504, 1475, 1453, 1434, 1415, 1388, 1374, 1315, 1280, 1265, 1227, 1198, 1172, 1154, 1130, 1119, 1102, 1073, 1047, 1027, 956, 926, 878, 853, 831, 810, 792, 774, 733, 679, 658, 637, 603, 575, 519 cm⁻¹.

***N*-Benzyl-*N*-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide¹⁰ 5h**



A mixture of 2-phenylpropanoic acid (0.45 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in SOCl₂ (0.44 mL, 6.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) was stirred at 85 °C for 2 hours. The excess SOCl₂ was removed under vacuum to give the carbonyl chloride which was used without further treatment.

To a solution of the carbonyl chloride in dry dichloromethane (10 mL), a solution of pyridine (0.25 mL, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in dry dichloromethane (5 mL) was added dropwise at 0 °C under argon atmosphere followed by a solution of 2-bromoaniline (0.35 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in dry dichloromethane (5 mL). The resulting mixture was slowly warmed up to room temperature and stirred for 16 hours.

The reaction mixture was diluted with ether (10 mL) and quenched with NH₄Cl (aq. 10 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted by diethyl ether (2 x 10 mL). The organic phase was washed with NaHCO₃ (3 x 10 mL), brine (10 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/ether = 9: 1) to give the amide.

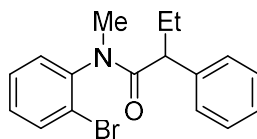
To suspension of NaH (0.09 g, 60% in mineral, 2.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) in dry THF (30 mL), a solution of the amide in dry THF (10 mL) was added dropwise at 0 °C under argon atmosphere and the reaction was then stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. Benzyl bromide (0.38 g, 2.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added dropwise and the reaction was stirred for another 16 hours. The mixture was filtered through silica/celite[®] plug and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/ether = 9: 1) to give a light yellow oil. (676 mg, 86% yield).

Rf = 0.25 (PE/Et₂O 9:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.69$ (dd, $J(\text{H,H}) = 8.1$ and 1.3 Hz, 0.7H, H^{Ar}, *maj*), 7.62-7.56 (m, 0.3H, H^{Ar}, *min*), 7.30-7.00 (m, 10H, H^{Ar}), 6.97-6.88 (m, 2H, H^{Ar}), 6.84-6.80 (m, 0.3H, H^{Ar}, *min*), 6.15 (dd, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.9$ and 1.6 Hz, 0.7H, H^{Ar}, *maj*), 5.71 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 14.4$ Hz, 0.3H, CH₂, *min*), 5.60 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 14.4$ Hz, 0.7H, CH₂, *maj*), 4.02 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 14.4$ Hz, 0.7H, CH₂, *maj*), 3.92 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 14.4$ Hz, 0.3H, CH₂, *min*), 3.47 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.0$ Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.34 (q, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.8$ Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 1.46 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 6.8$ Hz, 2.1H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.41 (d, $J(\text{H,H}) = 7.0$ Hz, 0.9H, CH₃, *min*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: $\delta = 173.9$ (C), 173.7 (C), 141.8 (C), 140.6 (C), 140.5 (C), 140.4 (C), 137.3 (C), 137.1 (C), 134.0 (C), 133.5 (CH), 132.3 (CH), 132.0 (C), 129.8 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (C), 128.2 (CH), 128.0

(CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 124.6 (C), 124.2 (C), 51.8 (CH₂), 51.5 (CH₂), 44.6 (CH), 43.6 (CH), 20.8 (CH₃), 20.4 (CH₃).

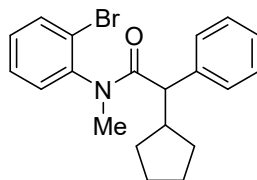
***N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylbutanamide⁸ 5i**



According to the general procedure G, from 2-phenylbutanoic acid (0.50 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.44 mL, 6.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methylaniline (0.37 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (0.25 mL, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (550 mg, 82% yield).

R_f = 0.53 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.64 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 and 1.5 Hz, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 7.50 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 8.0 and 1.4 Hz, 0.3H, *H^{Ar}*, *min*), 7.40-7.00 (m, 4.6H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.95-6.80 (m, 1.7H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.53 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 Hz, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 3.17 (t, *J*(H,H) = 7.5 Hz, 0.3H, CH, *min*), 3.12 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.09 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 2.95 (t, *J*(H,H) = 7.5 Hz, 0.7H, CH, *maj*), 2.10-1.95 (m, 1H, CH₂), 1.70-1.50 (m, 1H, CH₂), 0.90-0.66 (m, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 173.3 (C), 173.1 (C), 142.7 (C), 142.3 (C), 140.4 (C), 139.3 (C), 134.1 (CH), 133.7 (CH), 131.3 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 124.6 (C), 123.6 (C), 52.2 (CH), 51.2 (CH), 36.2 (CH₃), 36.1 (CH₃), 28.6 (CH₂), 28.3 (CH₂), 12.7 (CH₃), 12.5 (CH₃).

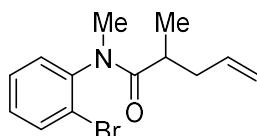
***N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-cyclopentyl-*N*-methyl-2-phenylacetamide¹¹ 5j**



According to the general procedure G, from 2-cyclopentyl-2-phenylacetic acid (0.50 g, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.35 mL, 4.86 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methylaniline (0.30 g, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (0.20 mL, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (480 mg, 80% yield).

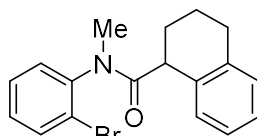
R_f = 0.40 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 7:3 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.71 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 and 1.4 Hz, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 7.56 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 and 1.4 Hz, 0.3H, *H^{Ar}*, *min*), 7.48-7.39 (m, 0.3H, *H^{Ar}*, *min*), 7.35-7.28 (m, 0.3H, *H^{Ar}*, *min*), 7.26-7.06 (m, 4.7H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.96-6.88 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.50 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 and 1.6 Hz, 0.7H, *H^{Ar}*, *maj*), 3.19 (s, 0.9H, NCH₃, *min*), 3.15 (s, 2.1H, NCH₃, *maj*), 3.05 (d, *J*(H,H) = 10.7 Hz, 0.3H, COCH, *min*), 2.81 (d, *J*(H,H) = 10.5 Hz, 0.7H, COCH, *maj*), 2.70-2.48 (m, 1H, CH), 2.06-1.92 (m, 1H, CH₂), 1.65-1.10 (m, 6H, CH₂), 0.95-0.70 (m, 1H, CH₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 173.2 (C), 173.1 (C), 142.7 (C), 142.1 (C), 140.1 (C), 139.2 (C), 134.1 (C), 133.7 (CH), 131.7 (CH), 130.9 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 124.8 (C), 123.3 (C), 56.4 (CH), 55.2 (CH), 45.1 (CH), 44.9 (CH), 36.2 (CH₃), 36.1 (CH₃), 32.2 (CH₂), 30.6 (CH₂), 25.2 (CH₂), 24.7 (CH₂).

***N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-*N*-2-dimethylpent-4-enamide 5k**



According to the general procedure H, from 2-methylpent-4-enoic acid (0.28 g, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.20 mL, 4.86 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methylaniline (0.30 g, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (0.20 mL, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a brown oil. (663 mg, 97% yield). **R_f** = 0.31 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 1.3:1 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR chemical shifts that differ between isomers will be denoted by (*maj*) and (*min*). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 7.72-7.65 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.41-7.34 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.27-7.20 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 5.75-5.50 (m, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.05-4.90 (m, 2H, CH=CH₂) 3.19 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.50-1.95 (m, 3H, CH and CH₂), 1.09 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.5 Hz, 1.7H, CH₃, *maj*), 1.01 (d, *J*(H,H) = 6.5 Hz, 1.3H, CH₃, *min*). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 176.4 (C), 176.1 (C), 142.9 (C), 136.5 (CH), 136.1 (CH), 134.1 (CH), 134.0 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 123.7 (C), 123.6 (CH), 116.8 (CH₂), 116.6 (CH₂), 39.0 (CH₂), 38.2 (CH₂), 37.3 (CH), 37.2 (CH₂), 36.1 (CH₃), 36.0 (CH₃), 17.5 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 282.0488 calcd for: C₁₃H₁₇NOBr⁺ [M+H]⁺; found 282.0486. **IR (ATR):** 3074, 2973, 2933, 2361, 1657, 1583, 1475, 1460, 1434, 1419, 1382, 1328, 1280, 1248, 1225, 1116, 1048, 1026, 993, 912, 764, 728, 681, 662, 643, 572 cm⁻¹.

***N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-*N*-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-1-carboxamide⁸ 5I**



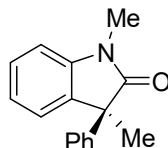
According to the general procedure G, from 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-1-carboxylic acid (0.43 g, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), SOCl₂ (0.35 mL, 4.86 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), 2-bromo-*N*-methylaniline (0.30 g, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) pyridine (0.20 mL, 2.43 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) the product was obtained as a light yellow oil. (480 mg, 80% yield). **R_f** = 0.35 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). In CDCl₃ (25 °C), this amide exists in two isomeric forms in a 1:1 ratio (unassigned). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.72 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.9 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.52-7.20 (m, 4H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.14-7.00 (m, 3H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.60-3.50 (m, 1H, CH), 3.32 (s, 1.5H, NCH₃), 3.28 (s, 1.5H, NCH₃), 2.95-2.75 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.70-2.60 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.10-1.80 (m, 3H, CH₂), 1.60-1.40 (m, 1H, CH₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ = 175.9 (C), 175.6 (C), 143.2 (C), 142.9 (C), 137.8 (C), 137.5 (C), 135.7 (C), 135.1 (C), 134.3 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 123.6 (C), 123.5 (C), 43.5 (CH), 43.3 (CH), 36.4 (CH), 36.3 (CH), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 28.1 (CH₂), 27.6 (CH₂), 21.5 (CH₂), 21.4 (CH₂).

V Asymmetric catalysis

Procedure I : intermolecular α -arylation of amides

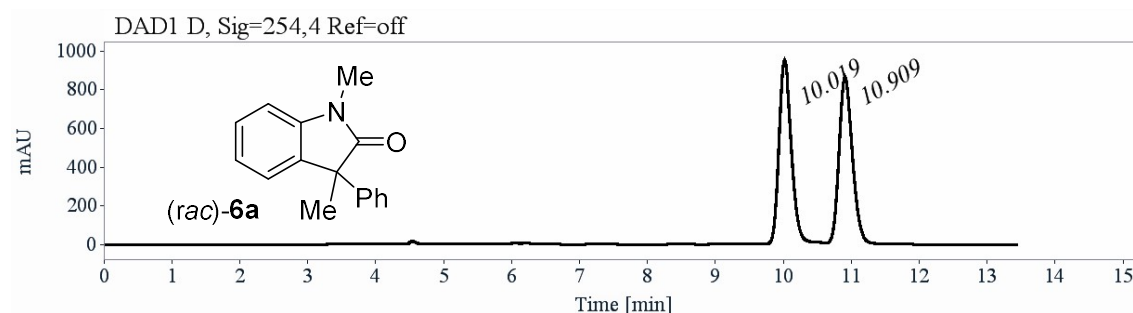
A mixture of the amide or ketone substrate (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), catalyst (0.005 mmol, 5 mol%) and potassium tert-butoxide (*t*BuOK) (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in dry 1,2-Dimethoxyethane (DME) (2 mL) was stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours under argon. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column (petroleum ether/ether = 2: 1)

(-)-(S)-1,3-Dimethyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one¹⁰ (-)-(S)-6a



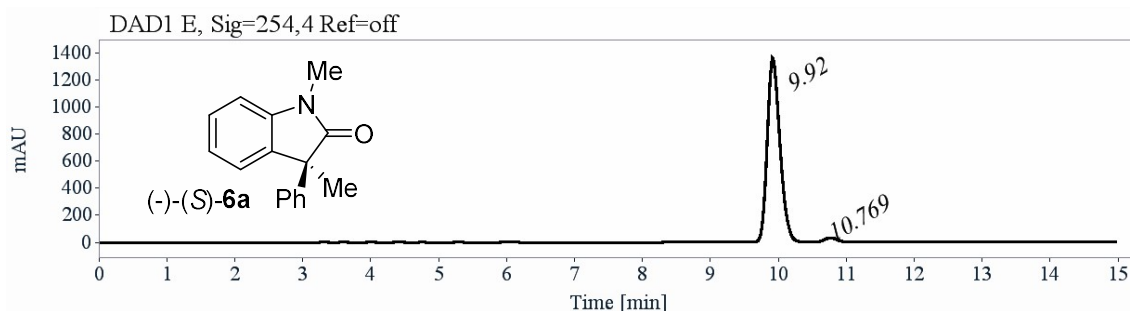
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide **5a** (63 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (+)-(*R*_a, *R*_a)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (39.4 mg, 84% yield).

R_f = 0.44 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.35-7.26 (m, 5H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.26-7.17 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.12-7.07 (m, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.92 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 3.25 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 179.5 (C), 143.3 (C), 140.1 (C), 134.9 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 124.3 (CH), 122.8 (CH), 108.4 (CH), 52.2 (C), 26.6 (CH₃), 23.9 (CH₃). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = -75, [α]₅₇₈ = -79, [α]₅₄₆ = -93 (*c* = 1.71 in CH₂Cl₂), 95% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis**: [Chiracel IE column, *n*-heptane/*isopropanol* = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; *R_t* = 9.92 min (major) and 10.77 min];



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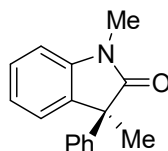
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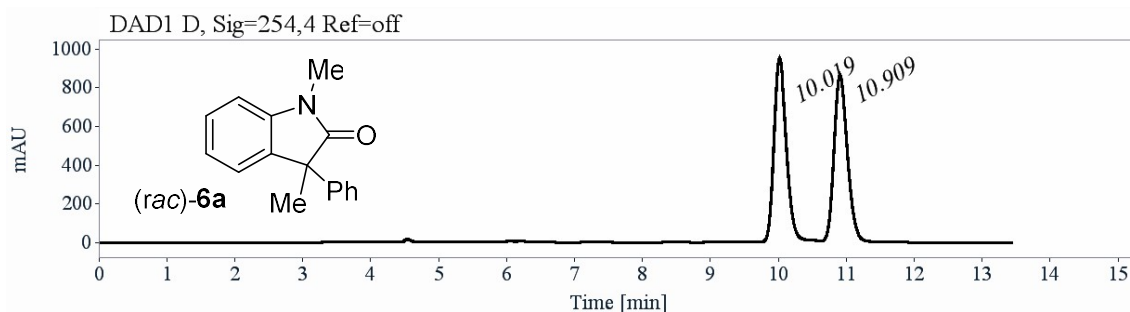
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(-)-(S)-1,3-Dimethyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one ¹⁰ **(-)-(S)-6a(Cl)**



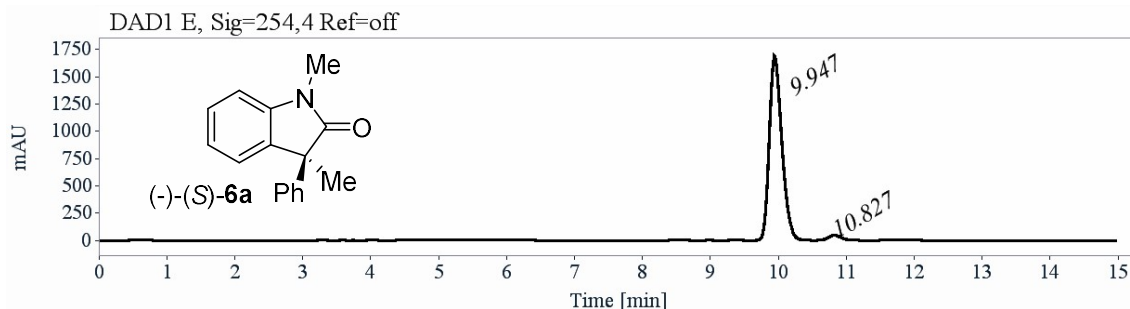
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-chlorophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide **5a(Cl)** (55 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (+)-(*R*_a, *R*_a)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (40.3 mg, 86% yield).

R_f = 0.44 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.35-7.26 (m, 5H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.26-7.17 (m, 2H, *H*^{Ar}), 7.12-7.07 (m, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 6.92 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, *H*^{Ar}), 3.25 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 179.5 (C), 143.3 (C), 140.1 (C), 134.9 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 124.3 (CH), 122.8 (CH), 108.4 (CH), 52.2 (C), 26.6 (CH₃), 23.9 (CH₃). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = -75, [α]₅₇₈ = -79, [α]₅₄₆ = -93 (*c* = 1.71 in CH₂Cl₂), 95% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis**: [Chiracel IE column, *n*-heptane/*i*sopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; Rt = 9.95 min (major) and 10.83 min].



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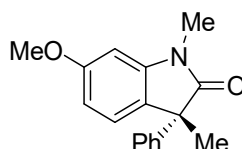
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| 10.91 | 11995 | 49.53 | 2.70 | 1.13 | 2.58 |
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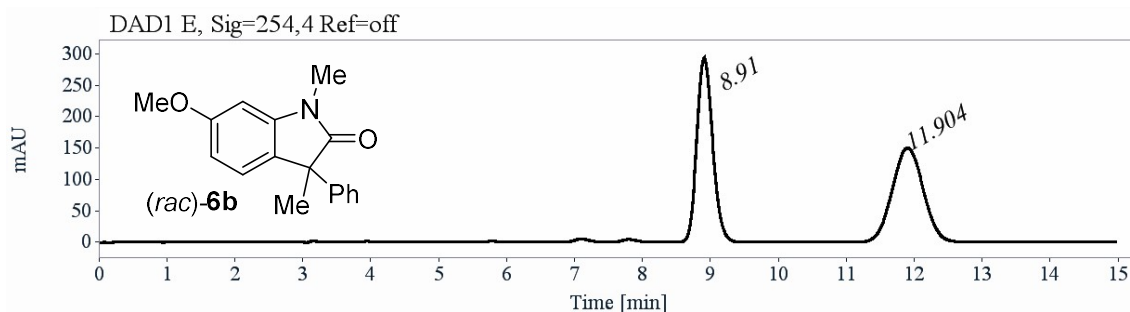
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| 10.83 | 622 | 2.77 | 2.67 | 1.13 | 2.54 |
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(+)-(R)-6-Methoxy-1,3-dimethyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one⁸ (+)-(R)-6b



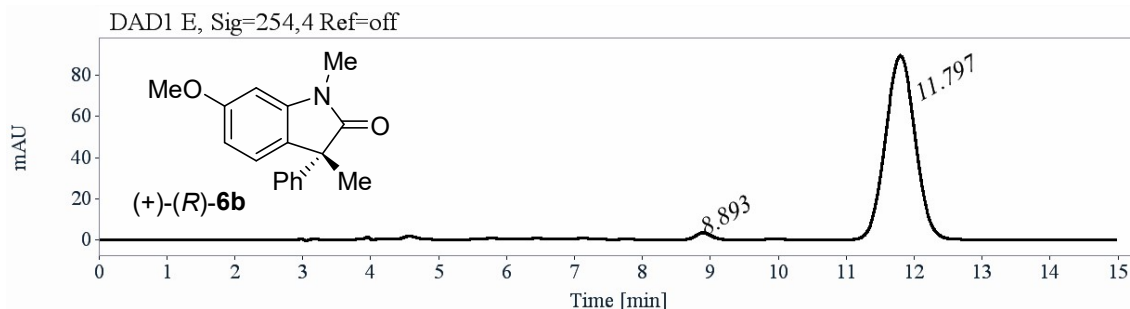
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromo-5-methoxyphenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide **5b** (35 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(*S_a*,*S_a*)-**2f** (4.1 mg, 0.005 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (17 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (25.0 mg, 91% yield).

R_f = 0.46 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.30-7.15 (m, 5H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.04 (d, *J*(H,H) = 8.2 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.56 (dd, *J*(H,H) = 8.2 and 2.3 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.46 (d, *J*(H,H) = 2.3 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.81 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.17 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.72 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 180.1 (C), 160.3 (C), 144.6 (C), 141.3 (C), 128.6 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.9 (C), 124.7 (CH), 106.7 (CH), 96.4 (CH), 55.7 (CH₃), 51.8 (C), 26.6 (CH₃), 24.2 (CH₃). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = +86, [α]₅₇₈ = +90, [α]₅₄₆ = +106, [α]₄₃₆ = +204 (*c* = 0.84 in CH₂Cl₂), 97% *ee*. **ChPLC analysis**: [Chiracel IG column, *n*-heptane/*isopropanol* = 80:20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; *R_t* = 8.89 min and 11.80 min (major)].



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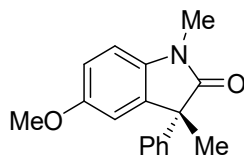
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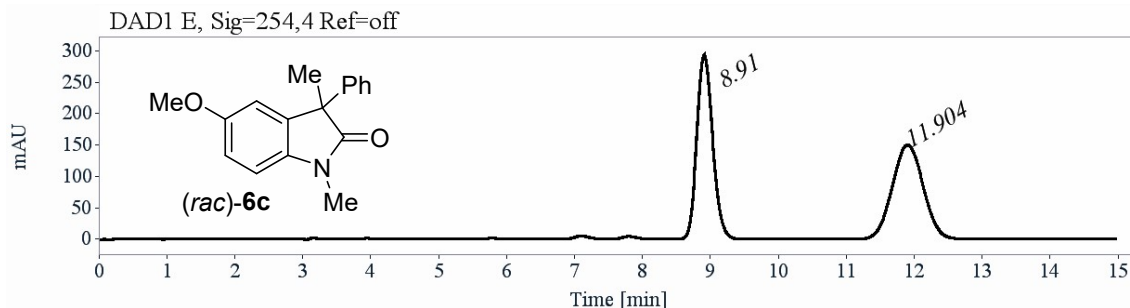
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| 11.80 | 2712 | 98.06 | 3.00 | 1.49 | 4.73 |
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(+)-(R)-5-Methoxy-1,3-dimethyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one (+)-(R)-6c



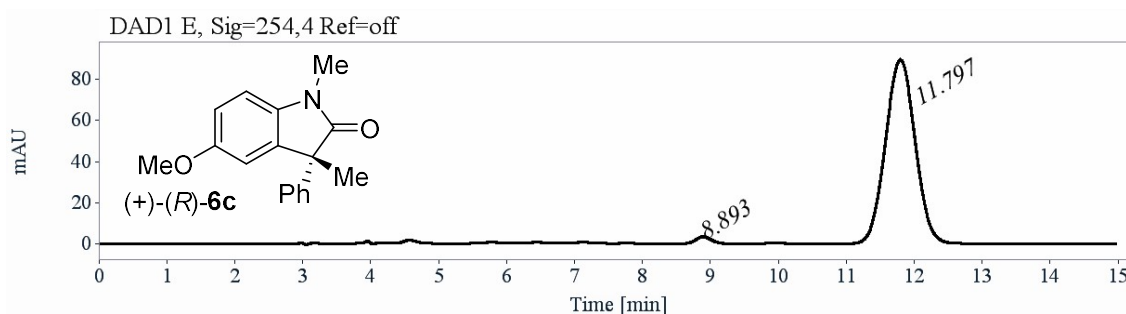
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide **5c** (35 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(*S_a*,*S_a*)-**2f** (4.1 mg, 0.005 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (17 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 60 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (23.0 mg, 86% yield).

R_f = 0.46 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.32-7.28 (m, 4H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.24-7.18 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.85-6.79 (m, 3H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.22 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 179.3 (C), 156.3 (C), 140.9 (C), 136.9 (C), 136.3 (C), 128.7 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 112.5 (CH), 111.8 (CH), 108.7 (CH), 56.0 (CH₃), 52.7 (C), 26.6 (CH₃), 23.9 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 268.1332 calcd for: C₁₇H₁₈NO₂⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 268.1333. **IR (ATR)**: 3057, 3025, 2932, 2833, 2360, 1703, 1653, 1598, 1495, 1467, 1432, 1371, 1349, 1286, 1241, 1166, 1148, 1107, 1076, 1030, 914, 894, 872, 838, 802, 722, 697, 641, 619, 574, 556, 508 cm⁻¹. **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = +108, [α]₅₇₈ = +114, [α]₅₄₆ = +133 (*c* = 0.57 in CH₂Cl₂), 91% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis**: [Chiracel IG column, *n*-heptane/*i*sopropanol = 80:20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; Rt = 8.89 min and 11.80 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

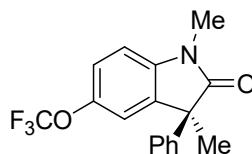
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| 8.91 | 4745 | 49.92 | 2.02 | | |
| 11.90 | 4760 | 50.08 | 3.04 | 1.50 | 4.71 |
| Sum | 9504 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

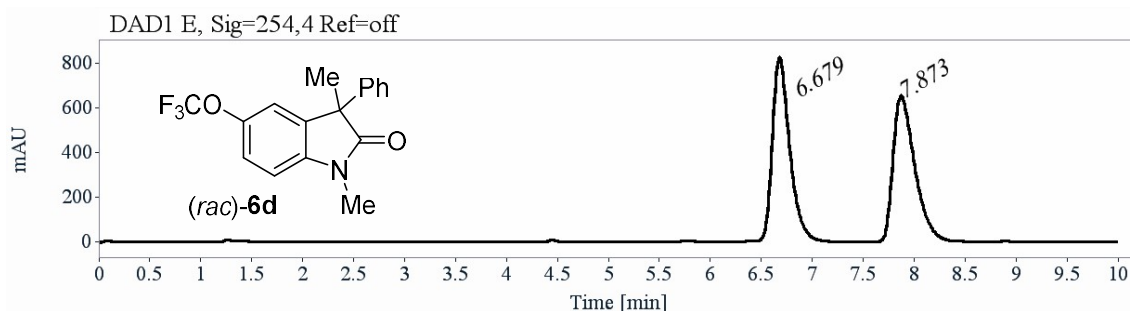
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|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 8.89 | 54 | 1.94 | 2.01 | | |
| 11.80 | 2712 | 98.06 | 3.00 | 1.49 | 4.73 |
| Sum | 2765 | 100.00 | | | |

(-)-(S)-1,3-Dimethyl-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethoxy)indolin-2-one (-)-(S)-6d



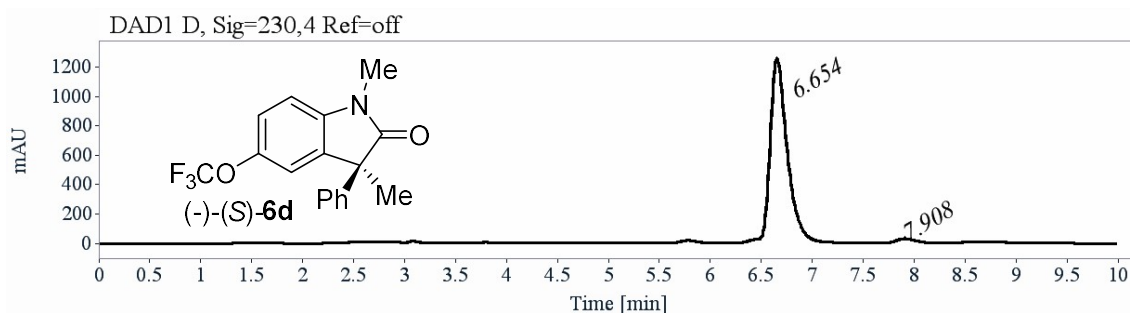
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-Bromo-4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylpropanamide **5d** (81 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (+)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 60 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (57.0 mg, 89% yield).

R_f = 0.34 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.35-7.17 (m, 6H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.08 (s, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.90 (d, *J*(H,H) = 8.5 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.25 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.80 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 179.2 (C), 145.1 (q, *J*³(C,F) = 2.0 Hz, C), 142.0 (C), 140.1 (C), 136.4 (C), 128.8 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 112.3 (CH), 118.3 (CH), 120.7 (q, *J*¹(C,F) = 256.6 Hz, CF₃), 108.8 (CH), 52.7 (C), 26.7 (CH₃), 23.8 (CH₃). **¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = -58.4 (s, 3F, CF₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 322.1049 calcd for: C₁₇H₁₅NO₂F₃⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 322.1050. **IR (ATR)**: 3056, 2983, 2937, 2475, 2359, 2341, 2117, 1715, 1669, 1618, 1558, 1491, 1454, 1371, 1290, 1247, 1206, 1158, 1101, 1077, 1047, 1027, 1020, 973, 953, 893, 878, 848, 829, 810, 791, 765, 730, 698, 657, 635, 617, 597, 570, 548, 507 cm⁻¹. **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = -82, [α]₅₇₈ = -86, [α]₅₄₆ = -100, [α]₄₃₆ = -188 (*c* = 0.97 in CH₂Cl₂), 95% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis**: [Chiracel OD-3 column, *n*-heptane/*i*sopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; Rt = 6.65 min (major) and 7.91 min].



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

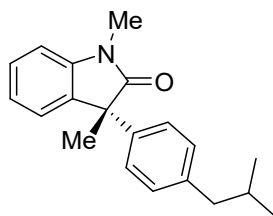
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|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 6.68 | 9803 | 50.31 | 1.26 | | |
| 7.87 | 9683 | 49.69 | 1.67 | 1.32 | 3.47 |
| Sum | 19485 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 6.65 | 14708 | 97.42 | 1.26 | | |
| 7.91 | 390 | 2.58 | 1.68 | 1.34 | 3.95 |
| Sum | 15097 | 100.00 | | | |

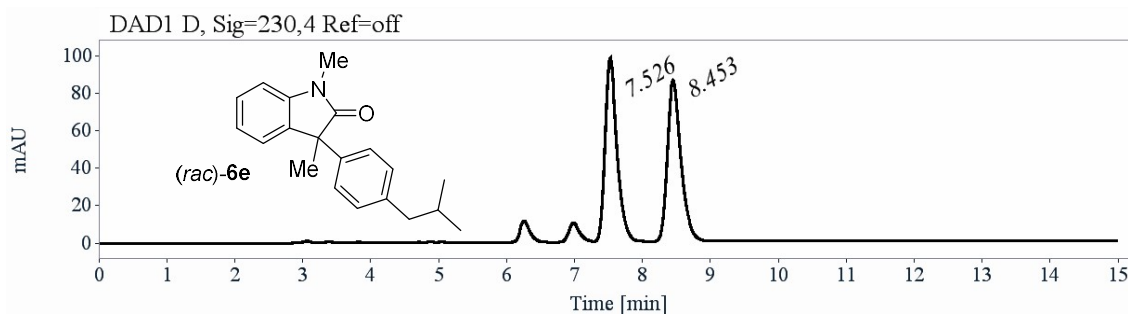
(+)-(R)-3-(4-Isobutylphenyl)-1,3-dimethylindolin-2-one⁹ (+)-(R)-6e



According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-2-(4-*isobutylphenyl*)-*N*-methylpropanamide **5e** (38 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(*S_a*,*S_a*)-**2f** (4.1 mg, 0.005 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (17 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (27.0 mg, 93% yield).

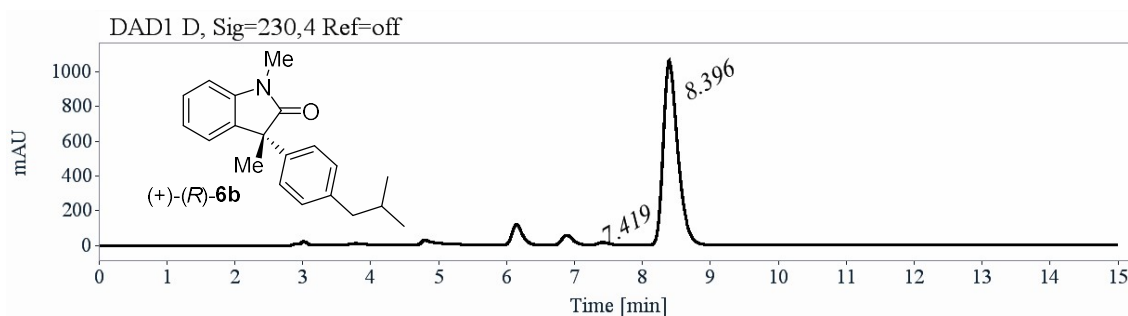
R_f = 0.54 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.35-7.28 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.24-7.17 (m, 3H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.13-7.03 (m, 3H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.91 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.1 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.24 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.41 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.87-1.75 (m, 4H, CH₃ and CH), 0.87 (s, 6H, CH(CH₃)₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 179.8 (C), 143.4 (C), 140.8 (C), 138.2 (C), 135.2 (C), 129.4 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 124.3 (CH), 122.8 (CH), 108.3 (CH), 52.0 (C), 45.1 (CH₂), 30.2 (CH), 26.6 (CH₃), 24.0 (CH₃), 22.5 (CH₃). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = +12, [α]₅₇₈ = +13, [α]₅₄₆ = +15, [α]₄₃₆ = +30 (*c* = 1.66 in CH₂Cl₂), 98% *ee*. **ChPLC analysis**: [Chiracel

Lux-Cellulose-2 column, n-heptane/isopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm; Rt = 7.42 min and 8.40 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

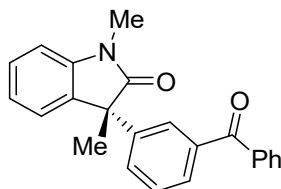
| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 7.53 | 1188 | 49.92 | 1.55 | | |
| 8.45 | 1192 | 50.08 | 1.87 | 1.20 | 2.77 |
| Sum | 2380 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 7.42 | 176 | 1.10 | 1.51 | | |
| 8.40 | 15802 | 98.90 | 1.85 | 1.22 | 2.82 |
| Sum | 15978 | 100.00 | | | |

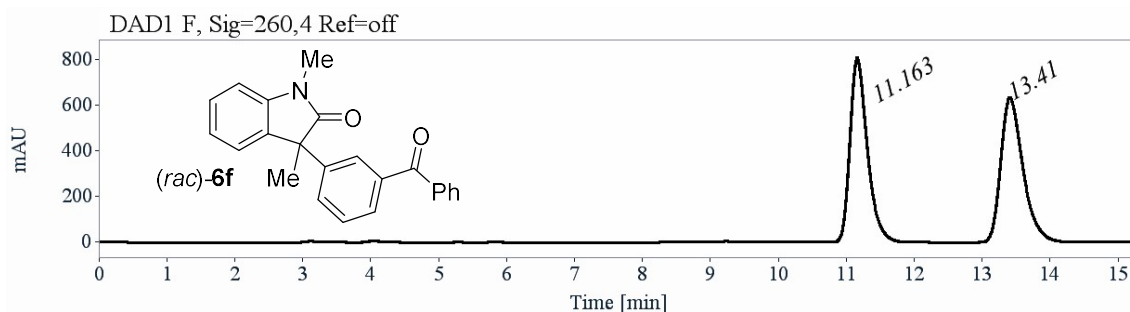
(+)-(R)-3-(3-Benzoylphenyl)-1,3-dimethylindolin-2-one (+)-(R)-6f



According to the general procedure I, 2-(3-benzoylphenyl)-N-(2-bromophenyl)-N-methylpropanamide **5f** (86 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(S_a,S_b)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), tBuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (66.0 mg, 95% yield).

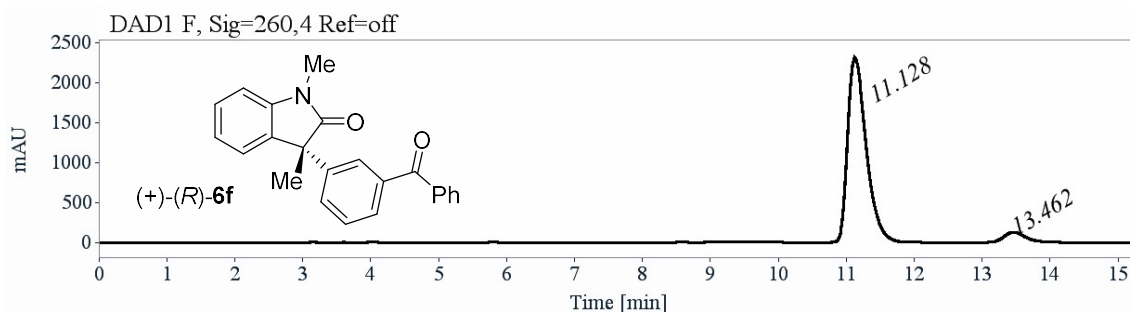
R_f = 0.23 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.82-7.75 (m, 3H, H^{Ar}), 7.70-7.25 (m, 7H, H^{Ar}), 7.22-7.17 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 7.13-7.06 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 6.92 (d, J(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 3.25 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.82 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 196.4 (C), 179.1 (C), 143.3 (C), 141.4 (C), 137.8 (C), 137.5 (C), 134.4 (C), 132.5 (CH), 130.9 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 124.2

(CH), 123.1 (CH), 108.6 (CH), 52.2 (C), 26.6 (CH₃), 23.9 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI):** *m/z*: 342.1489 calcd for: C₂₃H₂₀NO₂⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 342.1489. **IR (ATR):** 3056, 2968, 2928, 1708, 1655, 1609, 1595, 1577, 1491, 1469, 1446, 1421, 1372, 1343, 1315, 1277, 1237, 1176, 1157, 1137, 1115, 1101, 1073, 1055, 1023, 999, 969, 955, 929, 899, 812, 783, 754, 743, 730, 712, 692, 664, 641, 627, 572, 541, 510 cm⁻¹. **Specific rotations at 25 °C:** [α]₅₈₉ = +49, [α]₅₇₈ = +51, [α]₅₄₆ = +60 (*c* = 2.13 in CH₂Cl₂), 88% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis:** [Chiracel Lux-Cellulose-4 column, n-heptane/isopropanol = 70:30, 1.0 mL/min, 260 nm; Rt = 11.16 min (major) and 13.41 min].



Signal: DAD1 F, Sig=260,4 Ref=off

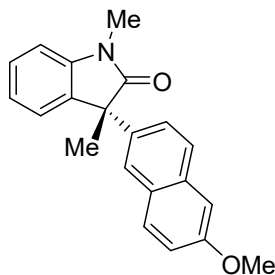
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|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.16 | 14357 | 49.93 | 2.78 | | |
| 13.41 | 14396 | 50.07 | 3.55 | 1.27 | 4.32 |
| Sum | 28753 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 F, Sig=260,4 Ref=off

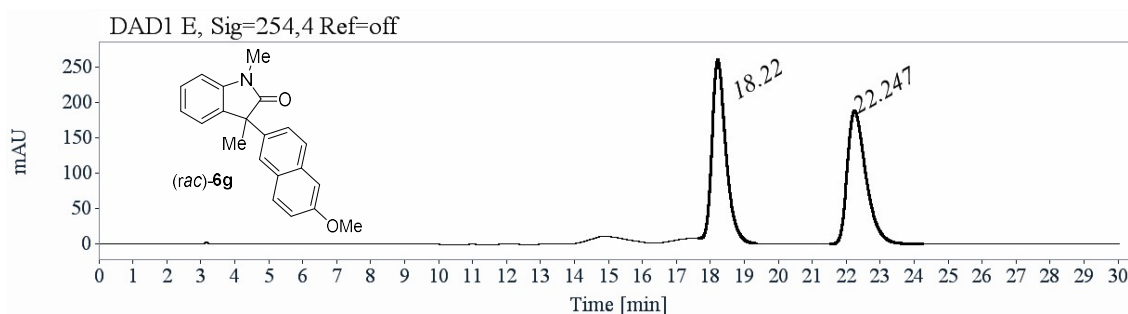
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|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.13 | 43985 | 93.88 | 2.77 | | |
| 13.46 | 2865 | 6.12 | 3.56 | 1.29 | 4.43 |
| Sum | 46850 | 100.00 | | | |

(+)-(R)-3-(6-Methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)-1,3-dimethylindolin-2-one (+)-(R)-6g



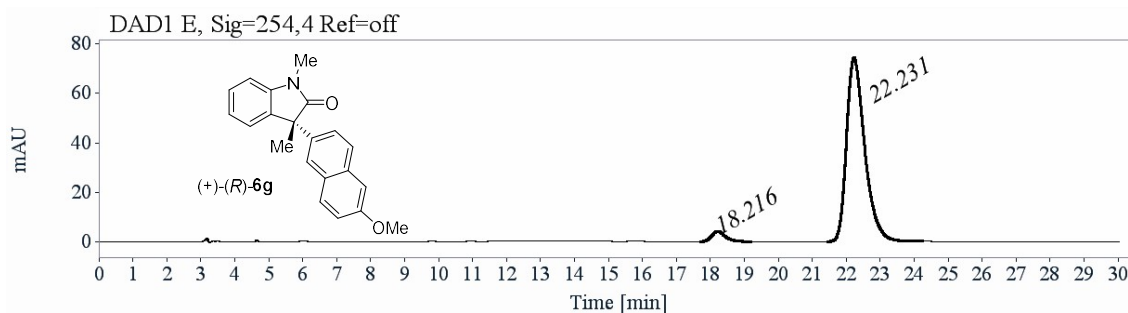
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)-*N*-methylpropanamide **5g** (80 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(*S_a*,*S_a*)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a white solid. (61.0 mg, 96% yield).

R_f = 0.23 (PE/Et₂O 1:1). **Mp**: 201.6-202.3 °C. **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.82-7.75 (m, 3H, *H^Ar*), 7.38-7.70 (m, 2H, *H^Ar*), 7.24-7.20 (m, 1H, *H^Ar*), 7.14-7.06 (m, 3H, *H^Ar*), 6.95 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, *H^Ar*), 3.90 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.27 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 1.88 (s, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 179.9 (C), 157.9 (C), 136.0 (C), 135.1 (C), 133.8 (C), 129.7 (CH), 128.8 (C), 128.3 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 125.2 (CH), 124.4 (CH), 122.9 (CH), 119.0 (CH), 108.5 (CH), 105.6 (CH), 55.4 (CH₃), 52.3 (C), 26.6 (CH₃), 23.8 (CH₃). **HRMS (ESI)**: *m/z*: 318.1489 calcd for: C₂₁H₂₀NO₂⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 318.1487. **IR (ATR)**: 3055, 3028, 2960, 2930, 2361, 2341, 1706, 1628, 1602, 1558, 1541, 1502, 1489, 1468, 1419, 1389, 1374, 1345, 1302, 1260, 1235, 1220, 1194, 1182, 1159, 1133, 1117, 1098, 1053, 1024, 958, 930, 906, 895, 852, 837, 827, 807, 764, 751, 738, 701, 685, 674, 650, 629, 586, 541, 531, 522 cm⁻¹. **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = +62, [α]₅₇₈ = +65, [α]₅₄₆ = +78 (c = 2.22 in CH₂Cl₂), 92% *ee*. **chPLC analysis**: [Chiracel Lux-Cellulose-4 column, n-heptane/isopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; Rt = 18.22 min and 22.23 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

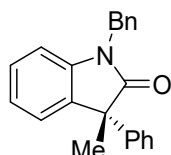
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|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
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| 22.25 | 7204 | 50.30 | 6.54 | 1.26 | 4.72 |
| Sum | 14324 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 18.22 | 117 | 4.05 | 5.18 | | |
| 22.23 | 2766 | 95.95 | 6.54 | 1.26 | 4.84 |
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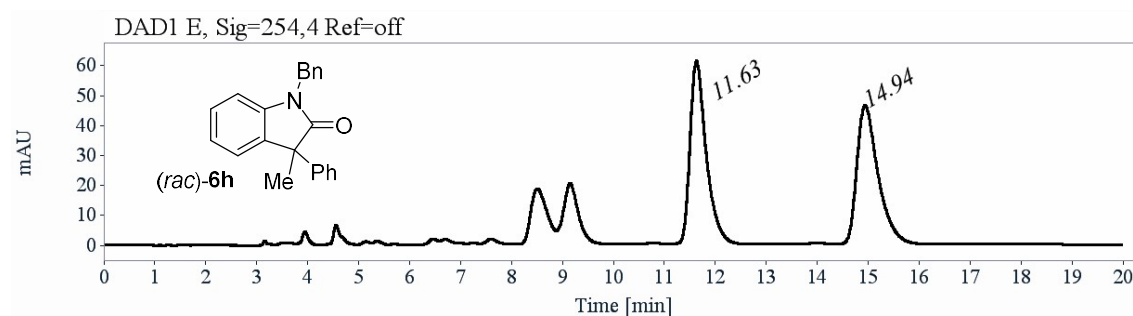
(+)-(R)-1-Benzyl-3-methyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one¹⁰ (+)-(R)-6h



According to the general procedure I, *N*-benzyl-*N*-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide **5h** (80 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(*S_a*,*S_a*)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 60 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (60.0 mg, 95% yield).

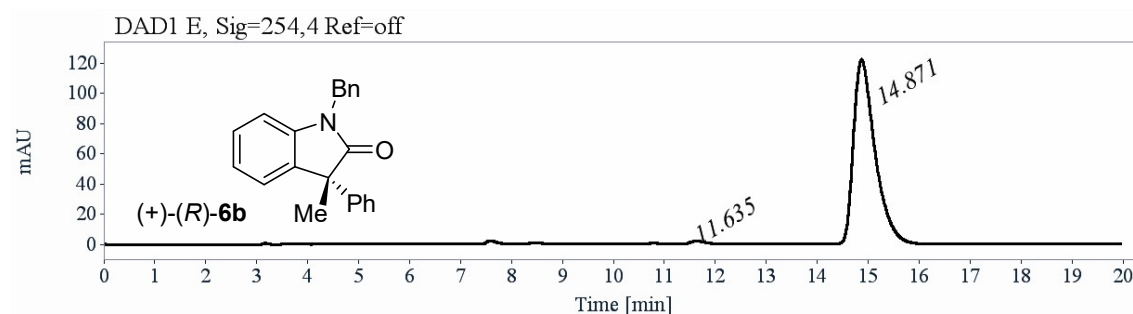
R_f = 0.23 (PE/Et₂O 9:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.34-7.12 (m, 12H, H^{Ar}), 7.08-6.96 (m, 1H, H^{Ar}), 6.77 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H^{Ar}), 5.00-4.85 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.83 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 179.7 (C), 142.4 (C), 140.9 (C), 136.1 (C), 135.1 (C), 128.9 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 124.3 (CH), 122.9 (CH), 109.5 (CH), 52.3 (C), 44.0 (CH₂), 23.9 (CH₃).

Specific rotations at 25 °C: [α]₅₈₉ = +56, [α]₅₇₈ = +59, [α]₅₄₆ = +70 (*c* = 1.36 in CH₂Cl₂), 98% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis:** [Chiracel IF column, *n*-heptane/*isopropanol* = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; Rt = 11.63 min and 14.87 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

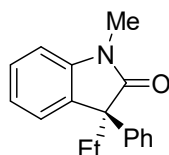
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|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.63 | 1347 | 50.11 | 2.94 | | |
| 14.94 | 1342 | 49.89 | 4.06 | 1.38 | 5.12 |
| Sum | 2689 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

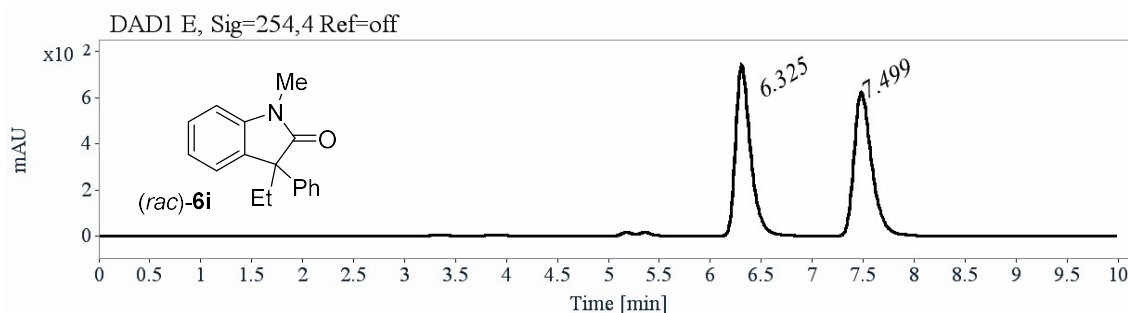
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|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.63 | 45 | 1.24 | 2.94 | | |
| 14.87 | 3578 | 98.76 | 4.04 | 1.37 | 5.04 |
| Sum | 3623 | 100.00 | | | |

(-)-(S)-3-Ethyl-1-methyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one⁸ (-)-(S)-6i



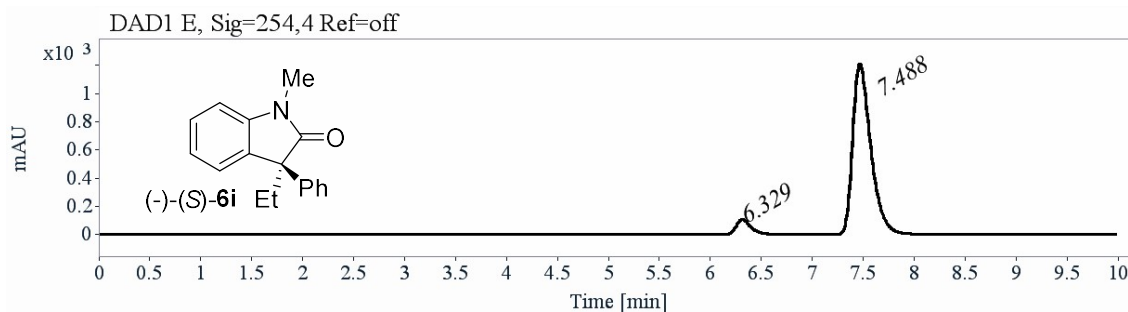
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-*N*-methyl-2-phenylbutanamide **5i** (67 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (+)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 60 °C for 20 hours to afford a brown oil. (48.0 mg, 96% yield).

R_f = 0.51 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.40-7.20 (m, 7H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.16-7.08 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.91(d, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.23 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.50-2.36 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.30-2.14 (m, 1H, CH₂), 0.63 (t, *J*(H,H) = 7.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 178.7 (C), 144.3 (C), 140.4 (C), 132.2 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 124.9 (CH), 122.7 (CH), 108.3 (CH), 57.5 (C), 31.0 (CH₂), 26.5 (CH₃), 9.2 (CH₃). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = -98, [α]₅₇₈ = -102, [α]₅₄₆ = -120 (*c* = 1.62 in CH₂Cl₂), 87% *ee*. **ChPLC analysis**: [Chiracel OD-3 column, *n*-heptane/*i*sopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; *R_t* = 6.33 min and 7.49 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

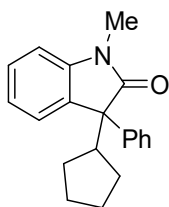
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|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 6.32 | 7544 | 49.96 | 1.14 | | |
| 7.50 | 7557 | 50.04 | 1.54 | 1.35 | 4.13 |
| Sum | 15101 | 100.00 | | | |



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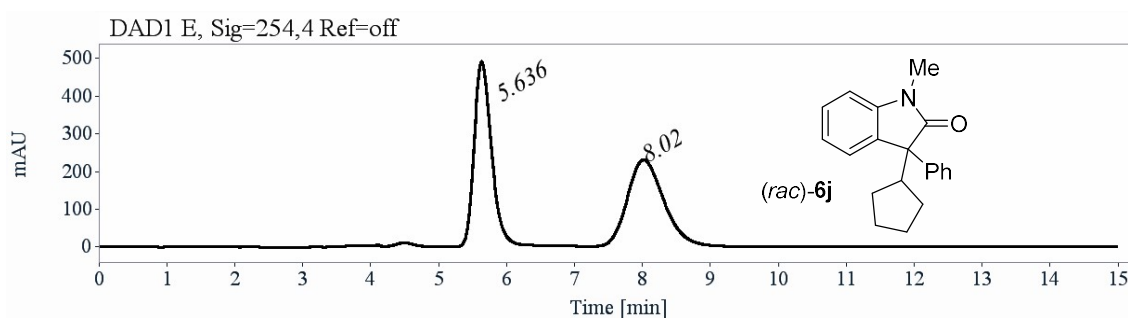
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|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 6.33 | 1079 | 6.71 | 1.15 | | |
| 7.49 | 14986 | 93.29 | 1.54 | 1.34 | 4.06 |
| Sum | 16065 | 100.00 | | | |

(+)-3-Cyclopentyl-1-methyl-3-phenylindolin-2-one¹¹ (+)-6j



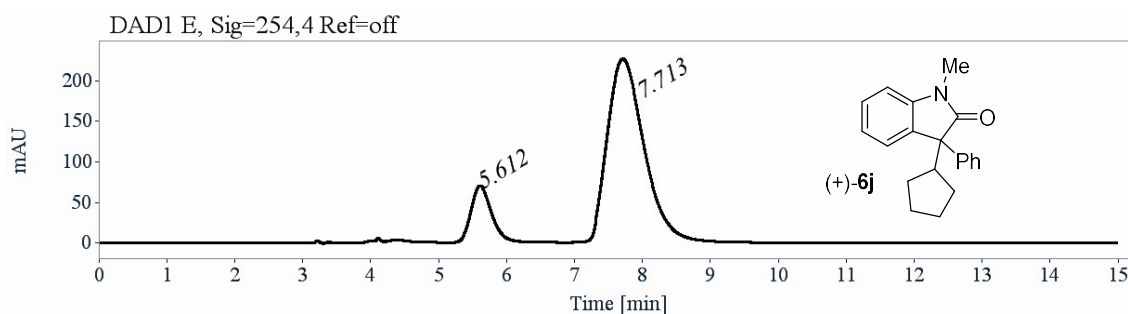
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-2-cyclopentyl-*N*-methyl-2-phenylacetamide **5j** (78 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (-)-(*R_a*,*R_b*)-**2e** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 80 °C for 20 hours to afford a brown oil. (60.0 mg, 90% yield).

R_f = 0.38 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.48-7.42 (m, 2H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.37-7.17 (m, 5H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.15-7.07 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.90 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.20 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.15-3.05 (m, 1H, CH), 1.65-1.35 (m, 7H, CH₂), 0.95-0.80 (m, 1H, CH₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 178.5 (C), 144.5 (C), 139.9 (C), 131.1 (C), 128.5 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 122.3 (CH), 108.2 (CH), 58.9 (C), 47.5 (CH), 28.1 (CH₂), 27.5 (CH₂), 26.4 (CH₃), 25.5 (CH₂), 25.4 (CH₂). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = +132, [α]₅₇₈ = +139, [α]₅₄₆ = +163, [α]₄₃₆ = +314, [α]₄₀₅ = +408 (*c* = 0.90 in CH₂Cl₂), 72% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis**: [Chiracel Lux-Cellulose-3 column, *n*-heptane/*i*sopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; *R_t* = 5.61 min and 7.71 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

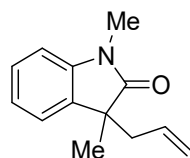
| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
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| 8.02 | 8549 | 50.07 | 1.72 | 1.89 | 3.32 |
| Sum | 17074 | 100.00 | | | |



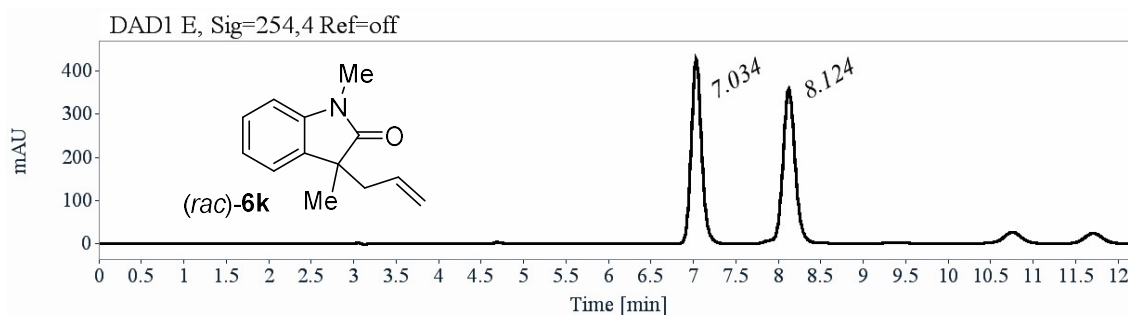
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| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 5.61 | 1434 | 14.43 | 0.90 | | |
| 7.71 | 8503 | 85.57 | 1.61 | 1.79 | 2.76 |
| Sum | 9937 | 100.00 | | | |

3-Allyl-1,3-dimethylindolin-2-one **6k**

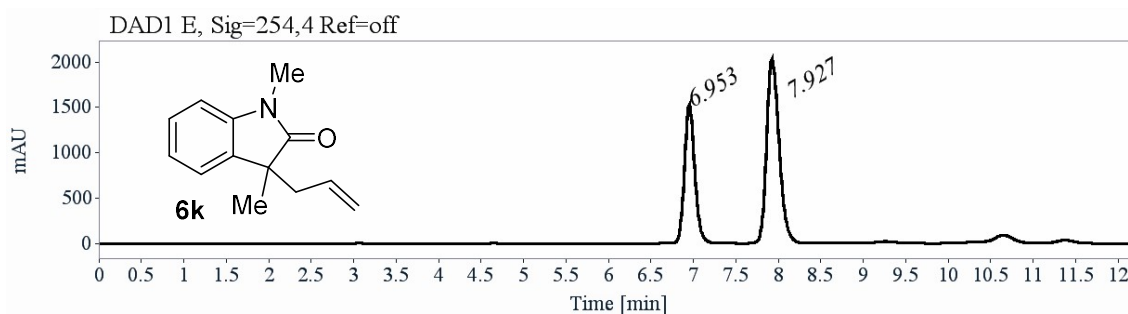


According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-*N*-2-dimethylpent-4-enamide **5k** (57 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (+)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2f** (8.1 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 60 °C for 20 hour ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.29-7.23 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.21-7.18 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.83 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 5.55-5.40 (m, 1H, CH₂=CH), 5.00-4.85 (m, 2H, CH₂=CH), 3.20(s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.52 (ddt, *J*(H,H) = 7.1, 3.8 and 1.1 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.37 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 180.3 (C), 143.3 (C), 133.8 (C), 132.7 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 122.5 (CH), 118.7 (CH₂), 108.0 (CH), 48.4 (C), 42.6 (CH₂), 26.3 (CH₃), 22.9 (CH₃).s to afford a brown oil. (30.0 mg, 75% yield). *R_f* = 0.35 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: 202.1226 calcd for: C₁₃H₁₆NO⁺ [M+H]⁺: found 202.1225. IR (ATR): 3056, 2968, 2927, 2359, 1707, 1660, 1612, 1492, 1469, 1450, 1418, 1375, 1348, 1317, 1306, 1248, 1158, 1121, 1083, 1051, 1026, 994, 964, 915, 874, 752, 740, 700, 688, 655, 629, 567, 541 cm⁻¹. chPLC analysis: [Chiracel Lux-Amylose-2 column, n-heptane/isopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm; Rt = 6.95 min and 7.93 min (major)]: 24% *ee*.



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

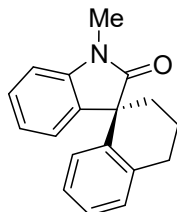
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Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

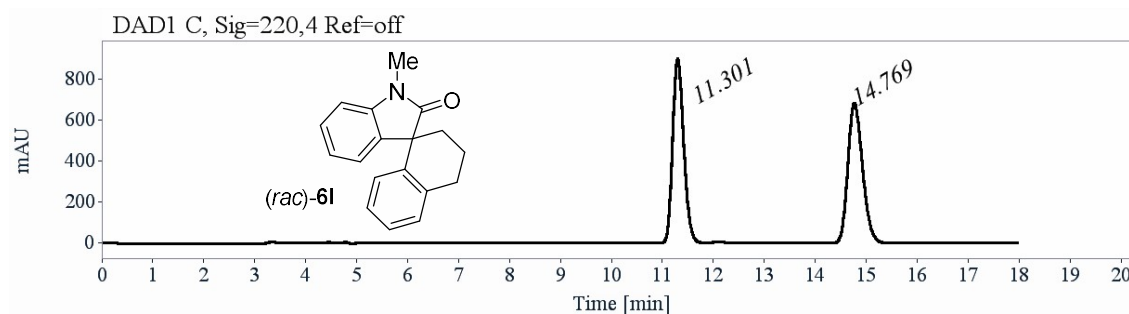
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| 7.93 | 20849 | 61.67 | 1.69 | 1.24 | 4.00 |
| Sum | 33806 | 100.00 | | | |

(-)-(S)-1-Methyl-3',4'-dihydro-2'H-spiro[indoline-3,1'-naphthalen]-2-one⁸ (-)-(S)-6I



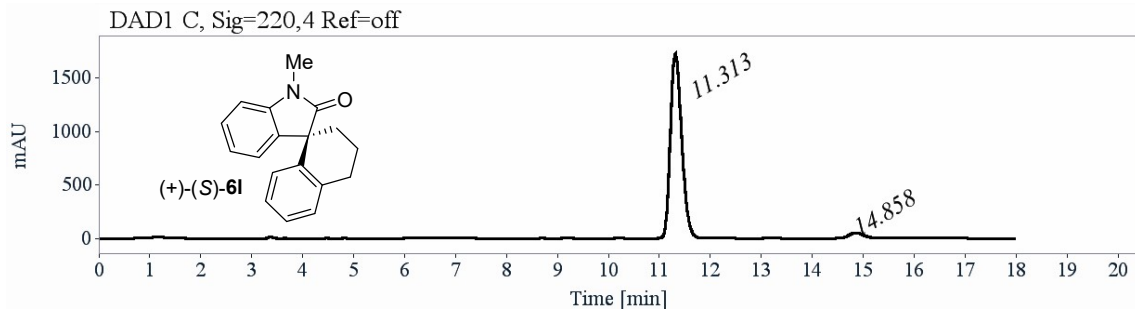
According to the general procedure I, *N*-(2-bromophenyl)-*N*-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-1-carboxamide **5I** (69 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), (+)-(*R_a*,*R_a*)-**2f** (8.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), *t*BuOK (34 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) were stirred at 40 °C for 20 hours to afford a light yellow oil. (50.0 mg, 93% yield).

R_f = 0.40 (PE/Et₂O 2:1). **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 7.34-7.24 (m, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 7.20-6.88 (m, 6H, *H^{Ar}*), 6.47 (d, *J*(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 1H, *H^{Ar}*), 3.29 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.00 (q, *J*(H,H) = 6.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-CH₂), 2.45-2.35 (m, 1H, CCH₂), 2.25-2.10 (m, 1H, CCH₂), 2.10-1.90 (m, 2H, CH₂). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ = 180.5 (C), 145.2 (C), 137.9 (C), 137.5 (C), 135.3 (C), 129.7 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 124.1 (CH), 122.9 (CH), 108.1 (CH), 52.3 (C), 34.2 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 26.6 (CH₂), 18.9 (CH₂). **Specific rotations at 25 °C**: [α]₅₈₉ = +8.2, [α]₅₇₈ = +7.7, [α]₅₄₆ = +7.1 (*c* = 1.93 in CH₂Cl₂), 92% *ee*. **cHPLC analysis**: [Chiracel IE column, *n*-heptane/*i*sopropanol = 90:10, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm; Rt = 11.31 min and 14.86 min (major)].



Signal: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=off

| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.30 | 13571 | 49.80 | 2.83 | | |
| 14.77 | 13679 | 50.20 | 4.01 | 1.42 | 7.47 |
| Sum | 27250 | 100.00 | | | |



Signal: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=off

| RT [min] | Area | Area% | Capacity Factor | Enantioselectivity | Resolution (USP) |
|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 11.31 | 26788 | 96.06 | 2.83 | | |
| 14.86 | 1099 | 3.94 | 4.04 | 1.42 | 7.59 |
| Sum | 27888 | 100.00 | | | |

VI Theoretical calculations

Computations were all done with Gaussian G09RevD.01.¹²⁻¹⁵

PBE0 calculations were done in gaussian at the dual level :

RPBE1PBE/Def2SVP // PBE1PBE/Def2TZVP.

PBE1PBE/Def2TZVP are noted LB

Thermal corrections to Gibbs Free Energy were evaluated in the small basis set (Def2SVP) computation (Corr^{SB}), and added to the Large basis set electronic energy : $\Delta G^{LB} = \Delta E^{LB} + \text{Corr}^{SB}$

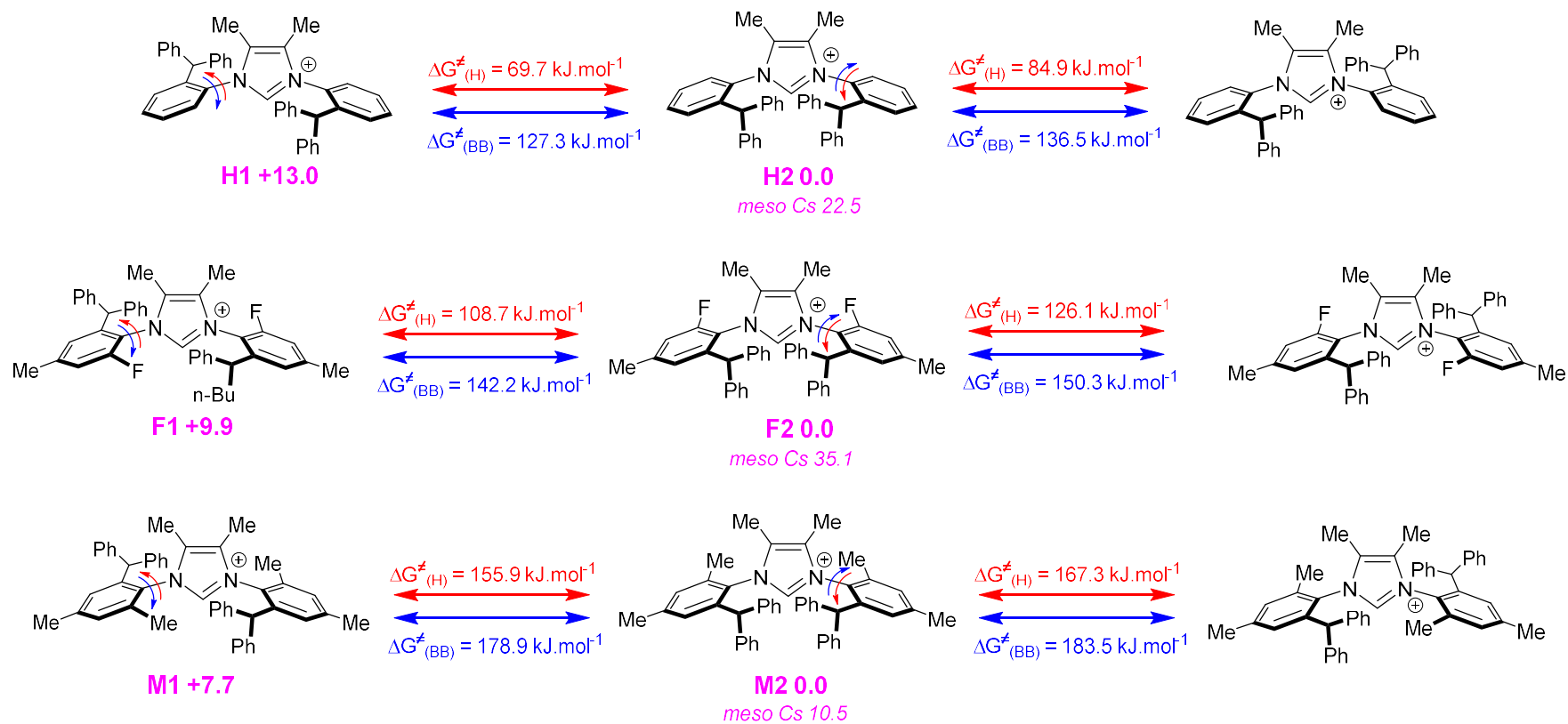
transition states for a rotation on backbone side are noted BB

transition states for a rotation on Hydrogen side noted H

There are two BackBone side transition states (**BB1** and **BB2**) of similar energies, depending on the orientation of the other N-substituent :

The same notation is used for the Hydrogen side transition states (**H1** and **H2**).

| system | G ^{SB} | E ^{SB} | Corr ^{SB} | E ^{LB} | G ^{LB} = E ^{LB} + Corr ^{SB} | ΔG^{LB} |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| 1d-X | -1766.32334 | -1766.93927 | 0.6159 | -1768.760542 | -1768.1446 | 0.0 |
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| BB2 | -1766.27211 | -1766.88959 | 0.6175 | -1768.713597 | -1768.0961 | 127.3 |
| H1 | -1766.29026 | -1766.91158 | 0.6213 | -1768.733587 | -1768.1123 | 84.9 |
| H2 | -1766.29558 | -1766.91330 | 0.6177 | -1768.735797 | -1768.1181 | 69.7 |
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| BB2 | -2042.86584 | -2043.51277 | 0.6469 | -2045.658394 | -2045.0115 | 142.2 |
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| H2 | -2042.87988 | -2043.52761 | 0.6477 | -2045.671964 | -2045.0242 | 108.7 |
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Scheme S6. DFT Calculations on symmetric imidazolium salts **1·X**

Same template than previously when multiple with |
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filename E1 |E2 | zpc | entro | G

1a-X

1a

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State 1-A

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State 1-A

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PG C01 [X(C47H45N2)]

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| C | -3.806677 | 0.827766 | 1.731969 | H | 1.478902 | -0.335802 | -2.562147 |
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| H | 0.569982 | 0.996949 | -3.263257 |
| H | -0.965044 | 2.857886 | -2.870850 |
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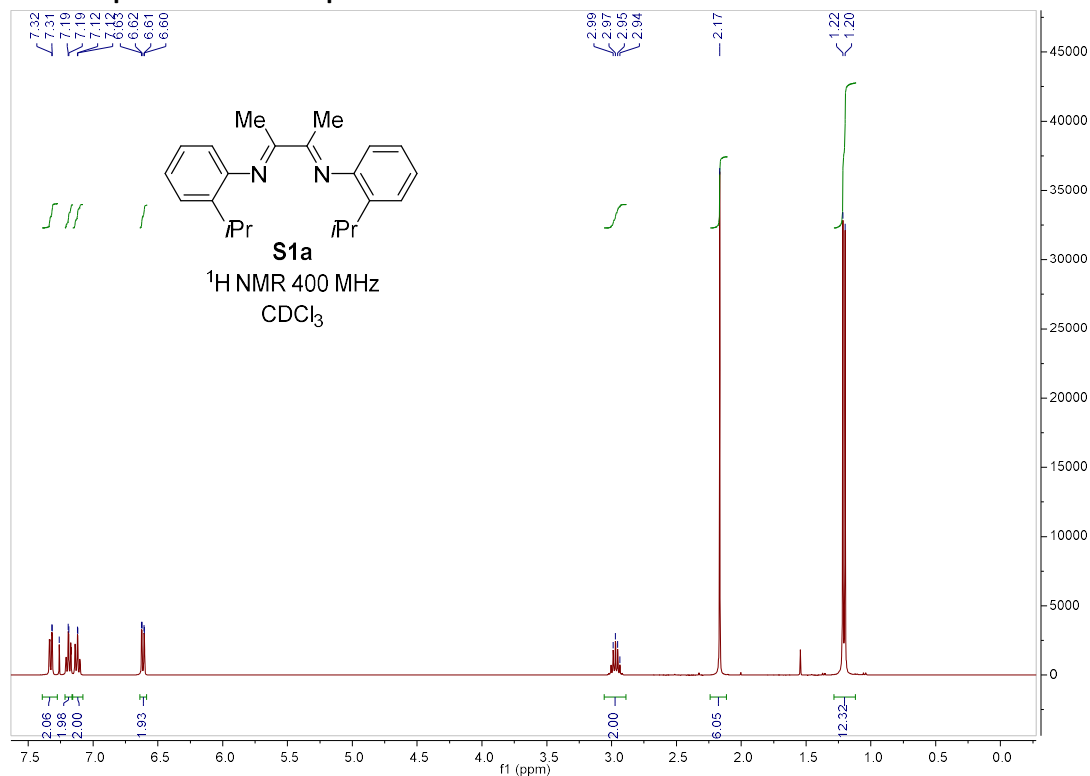


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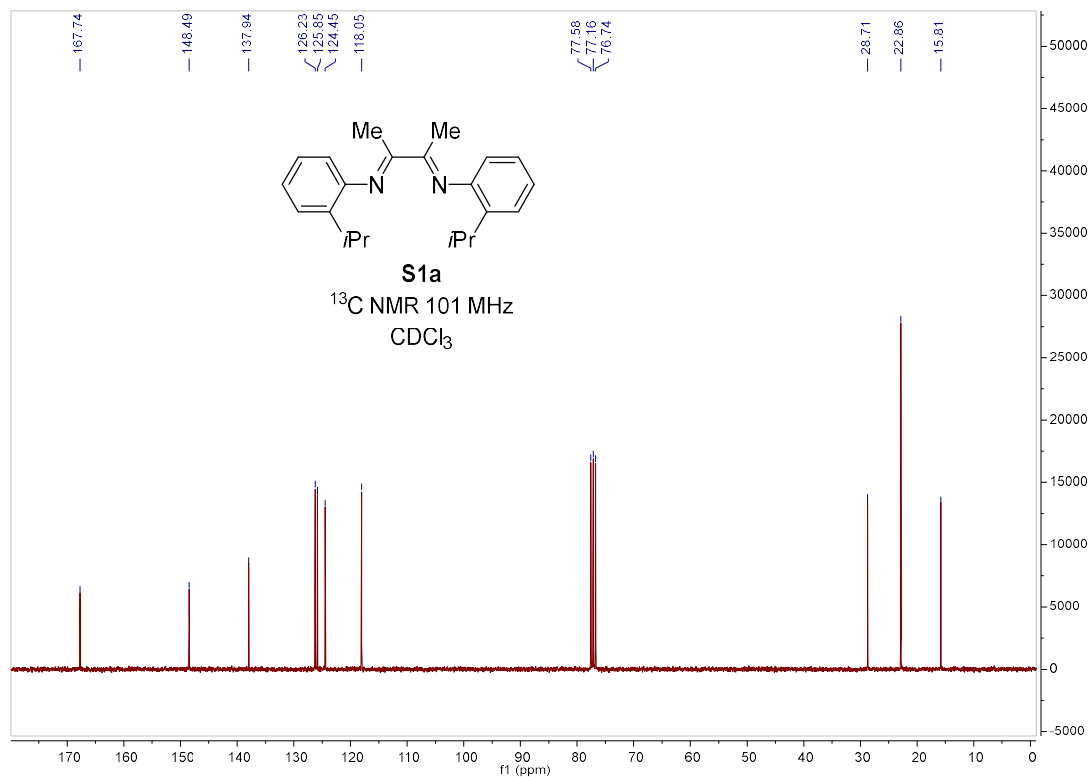


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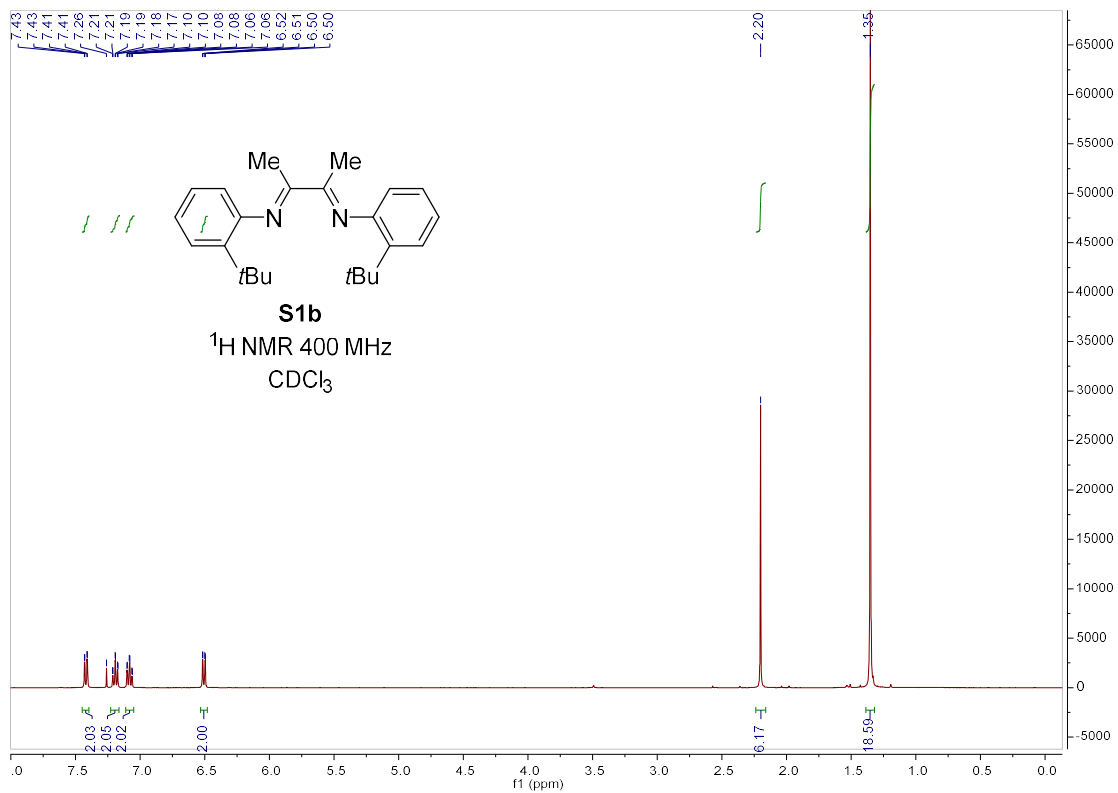


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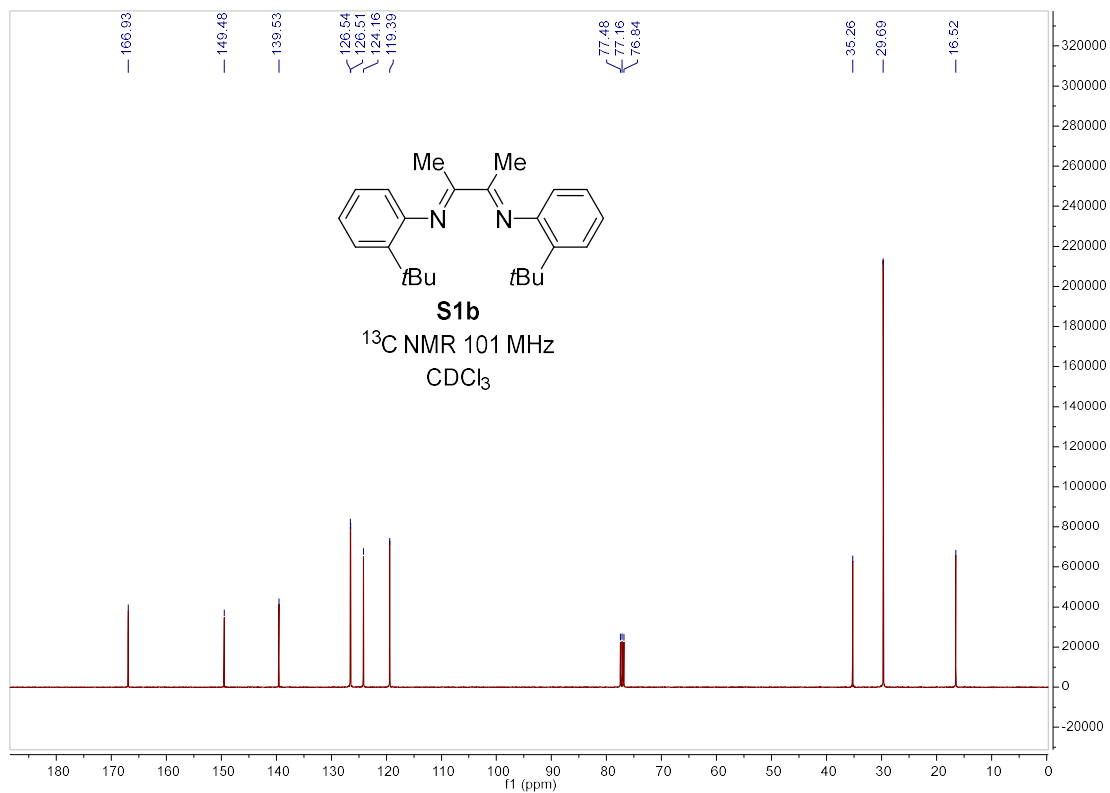


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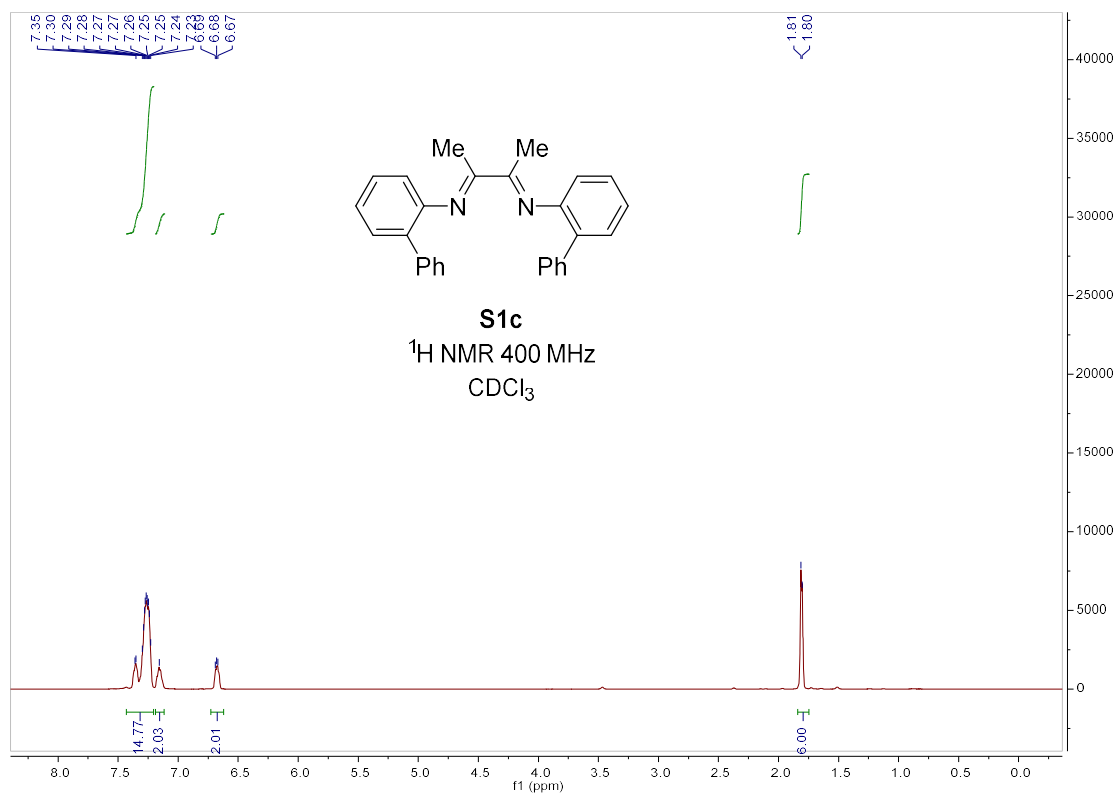


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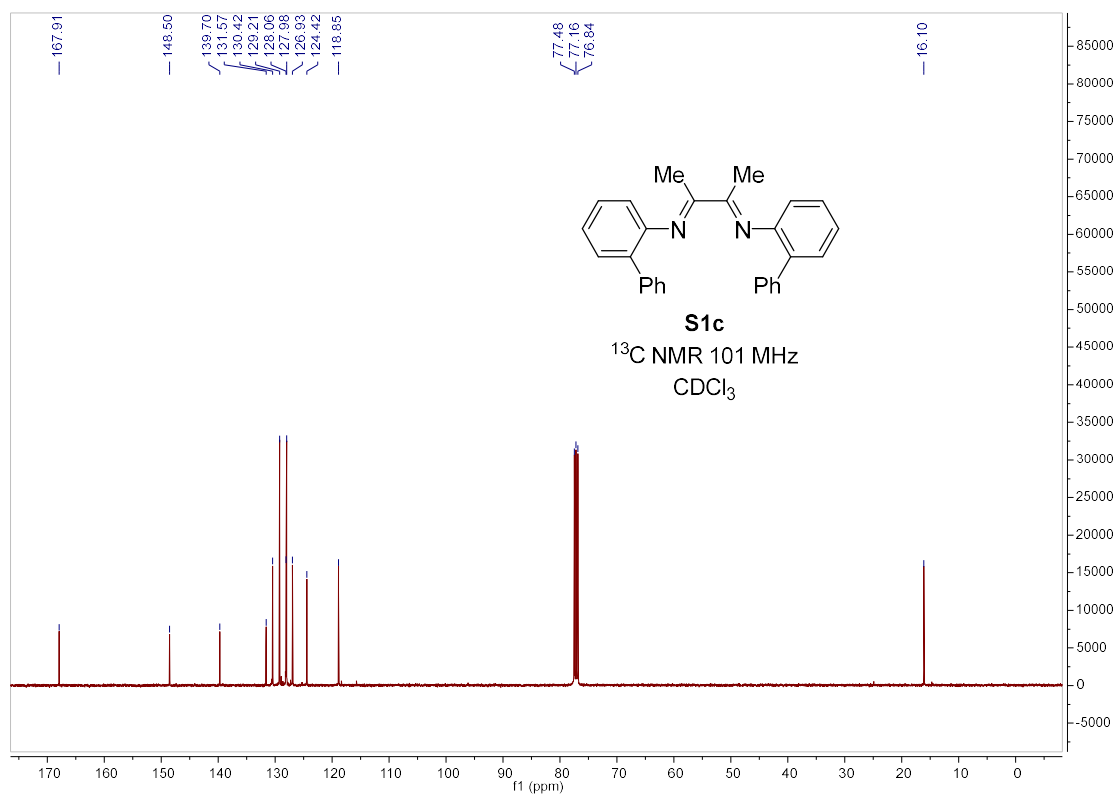


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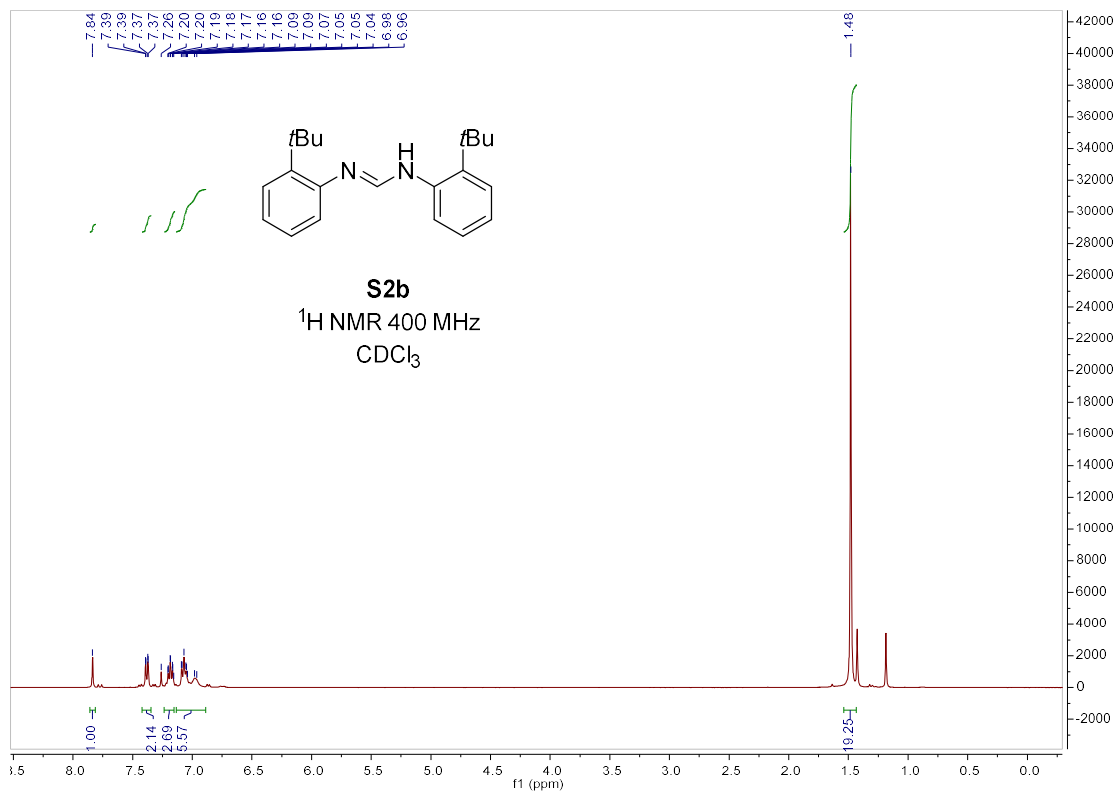


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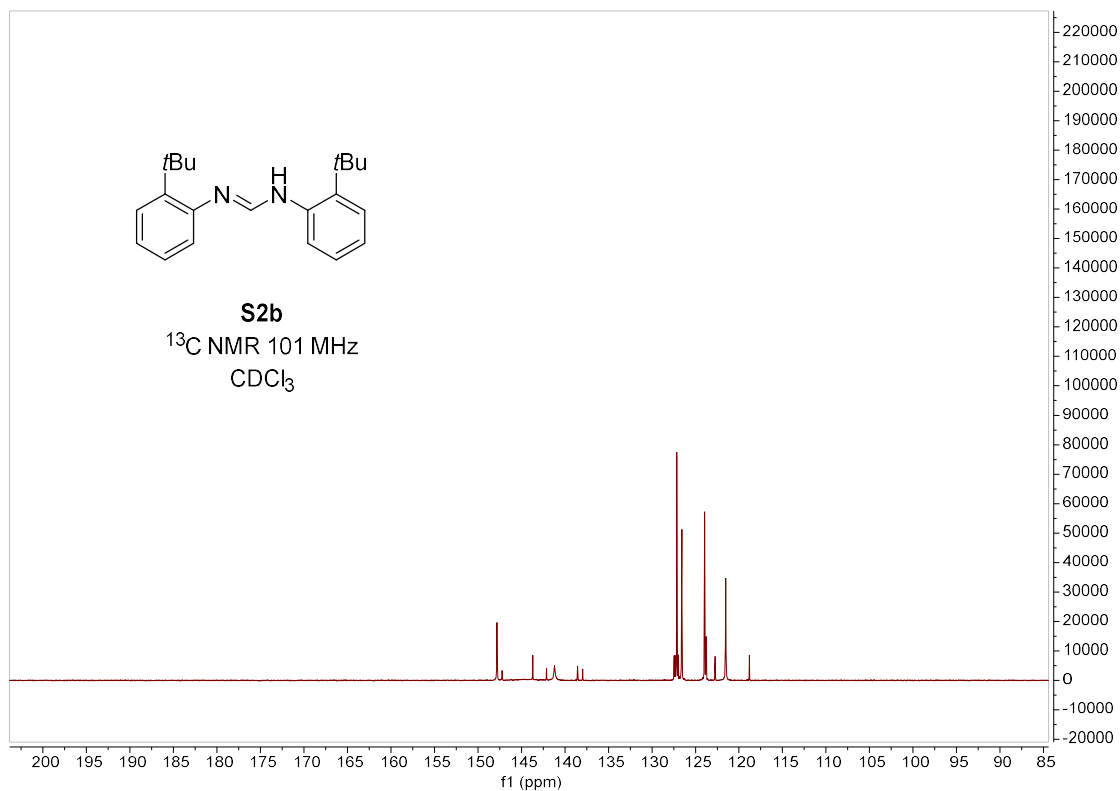


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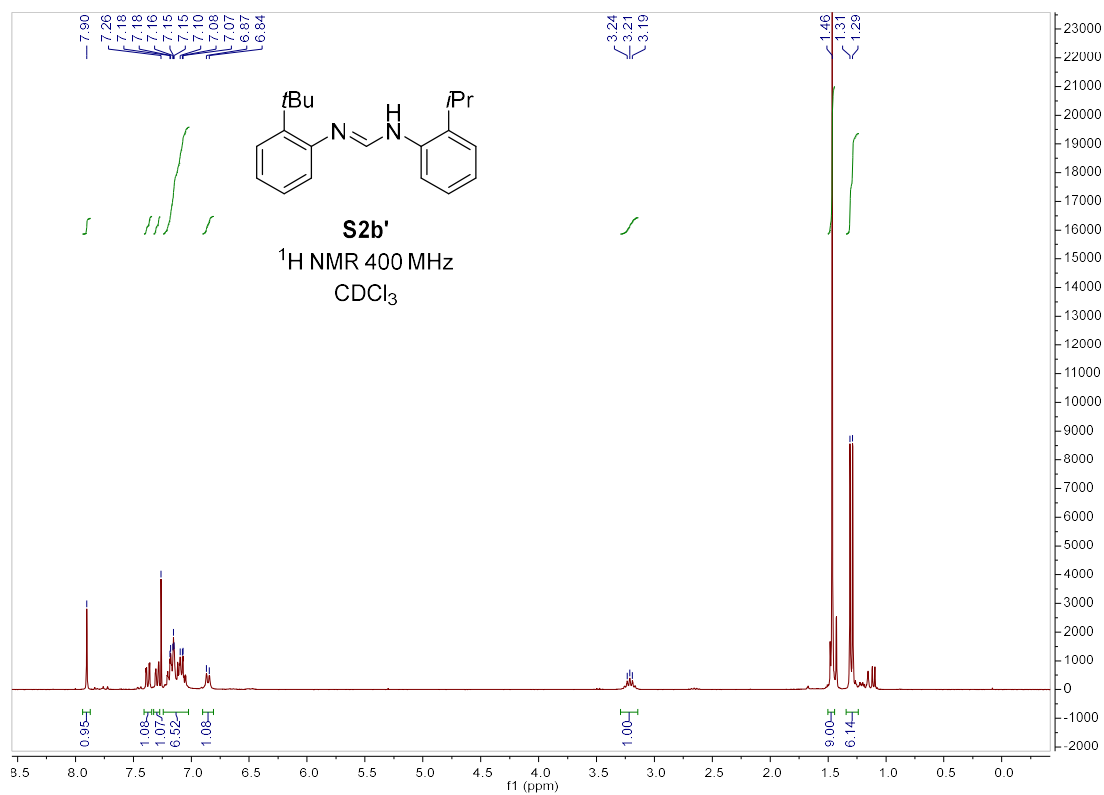


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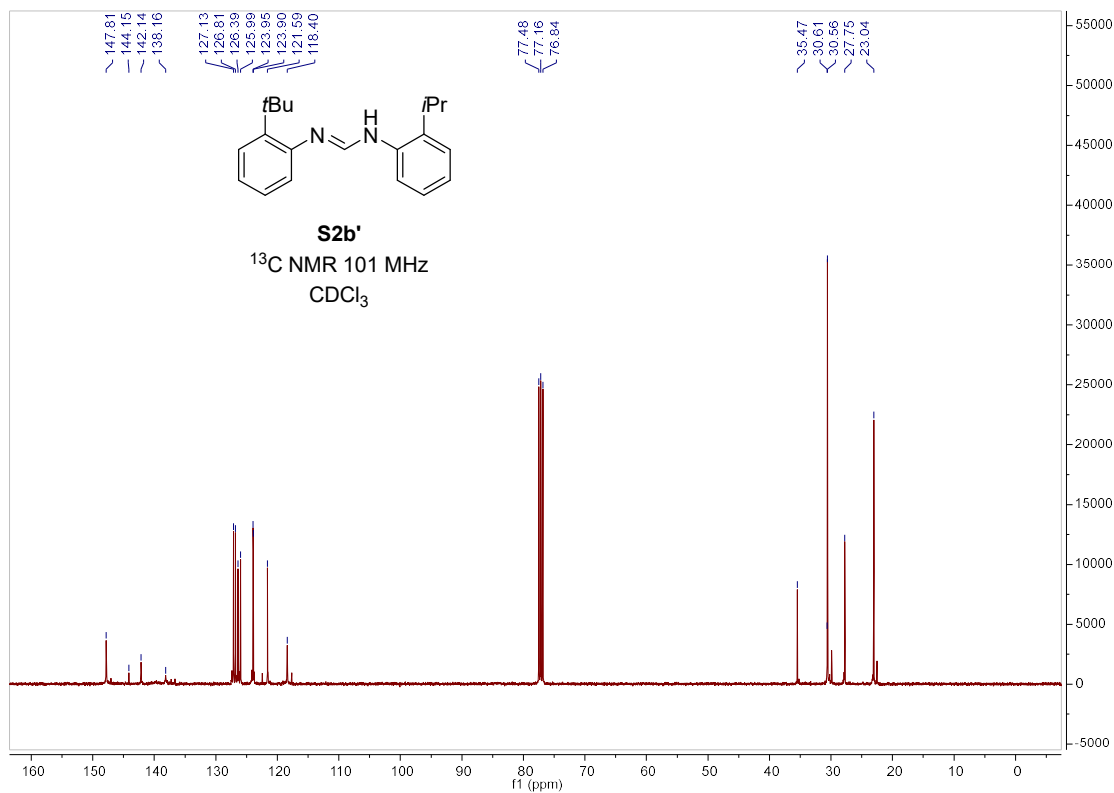


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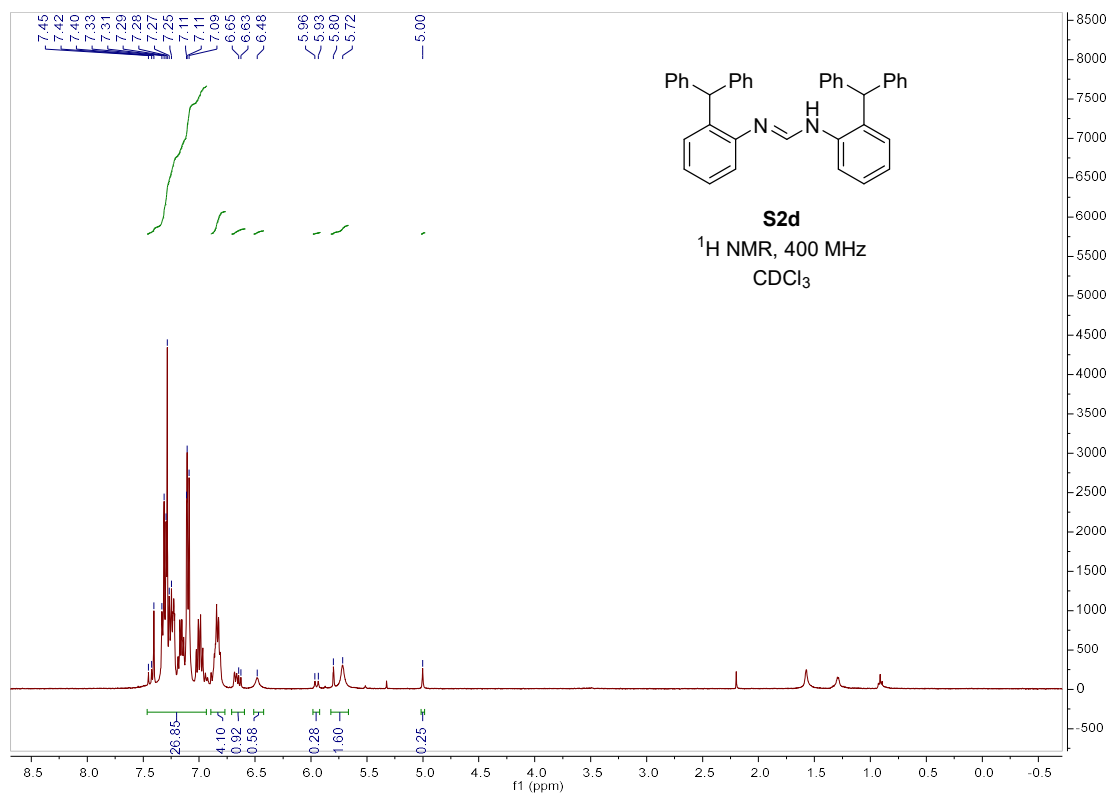


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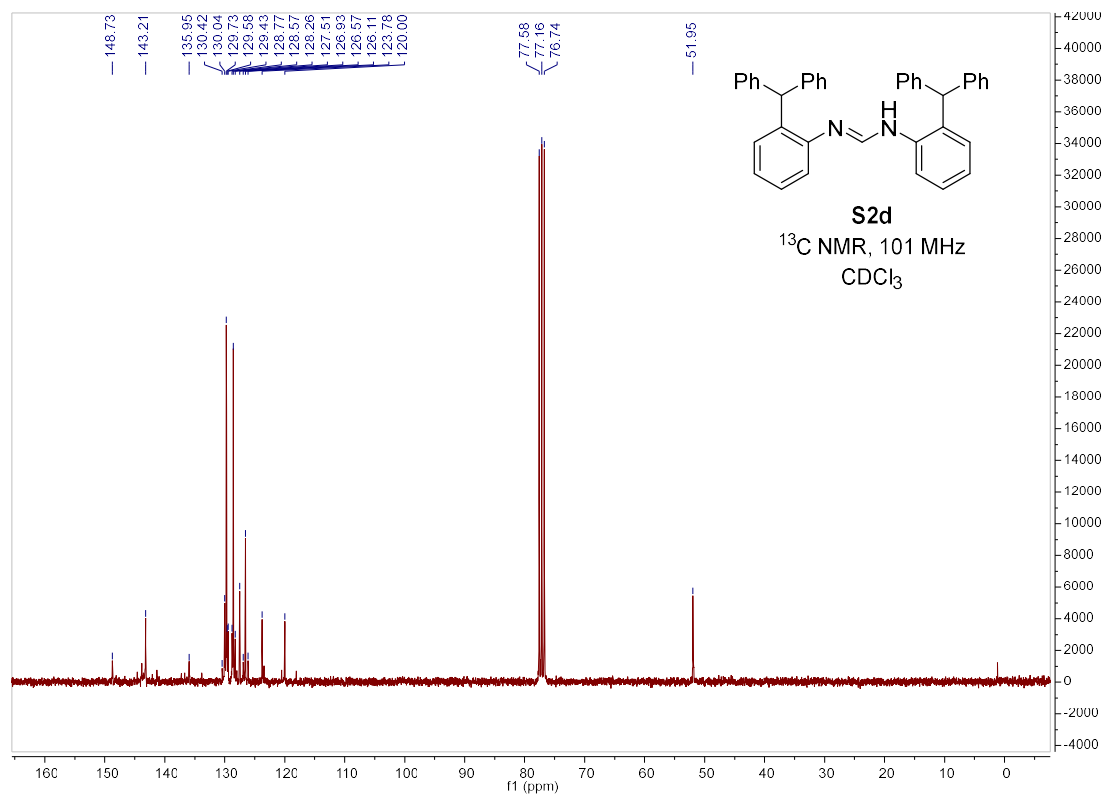


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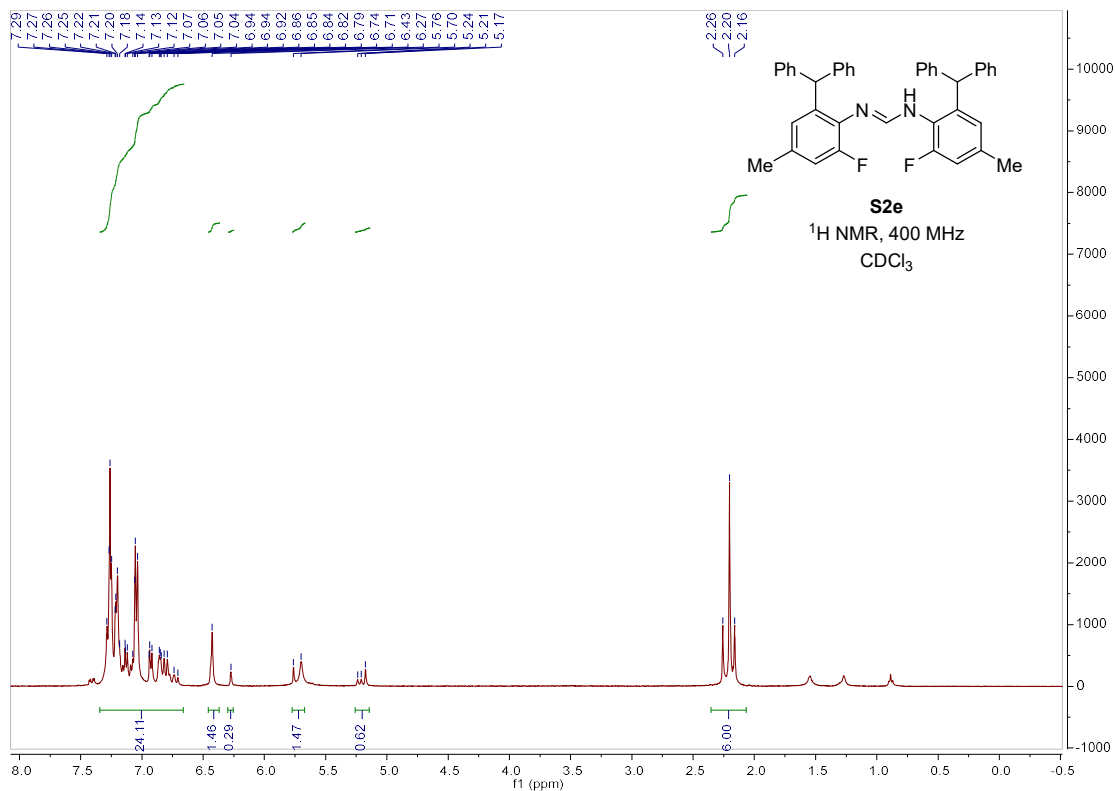


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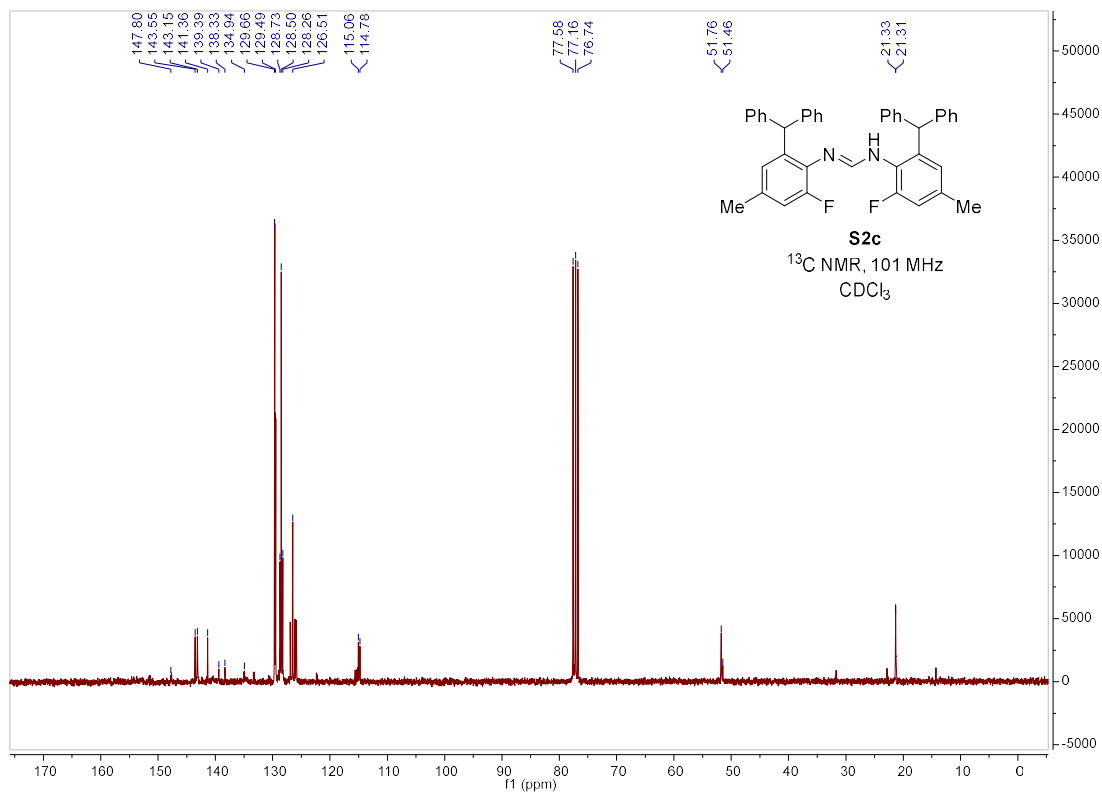


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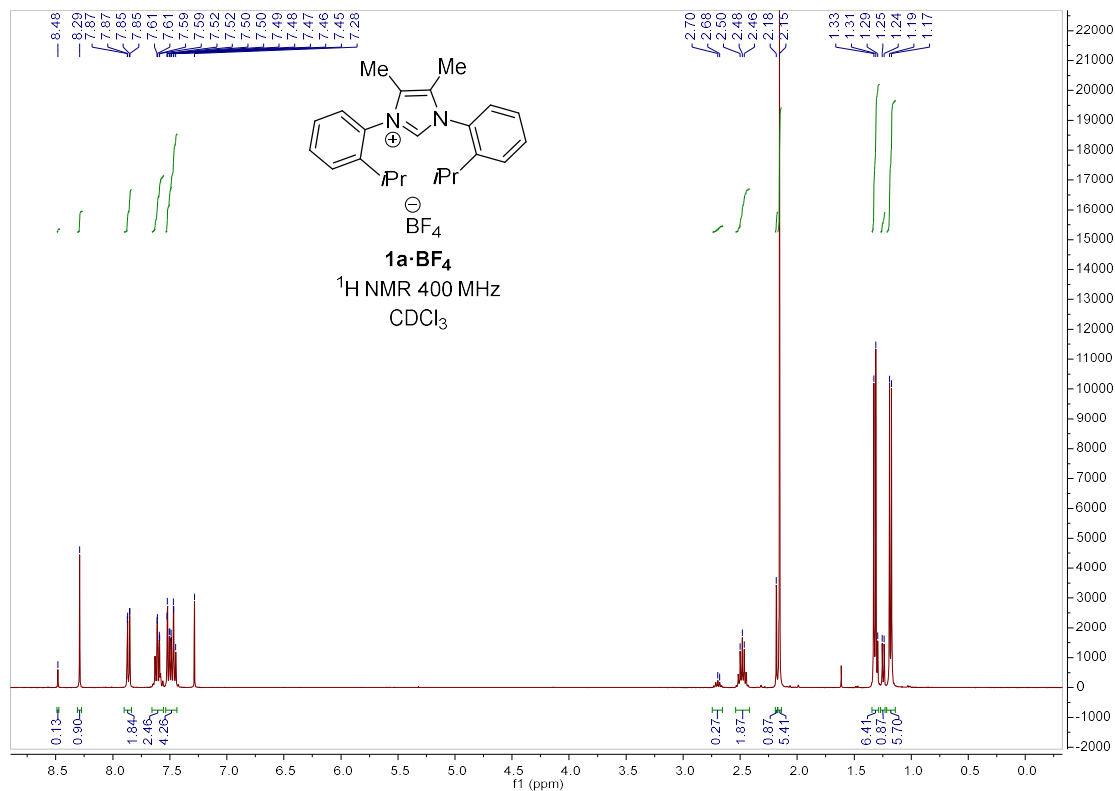


Figure S58. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of imidazolium salt **1a**·BF₄

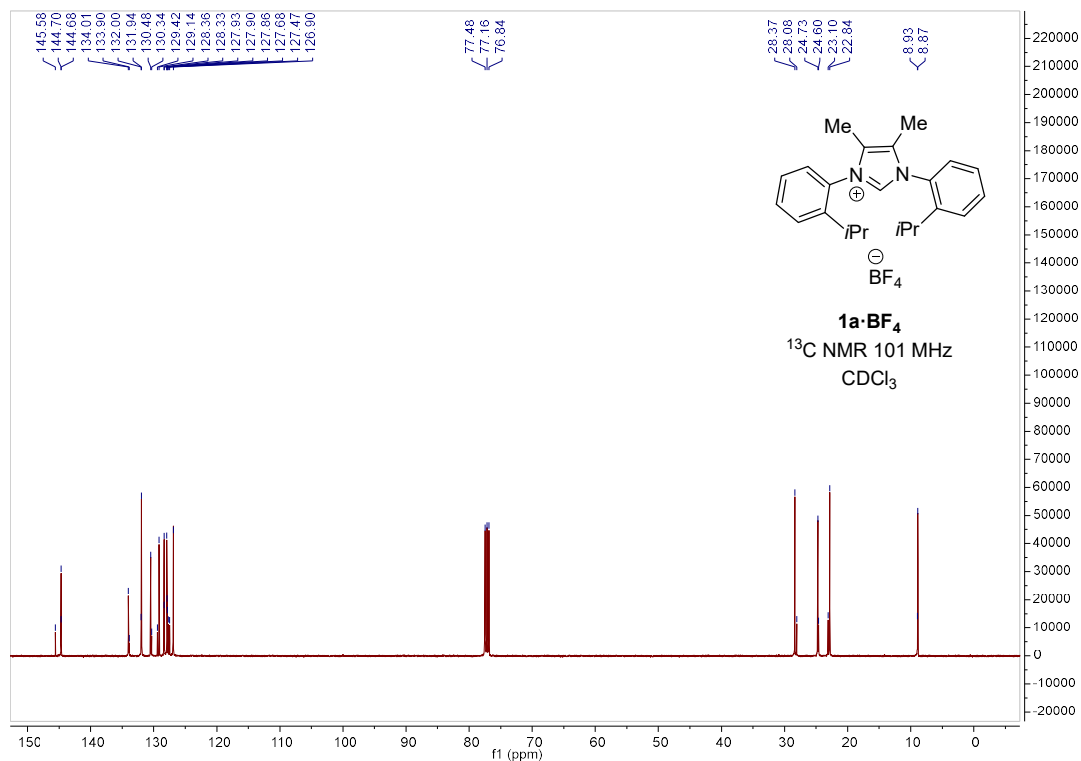


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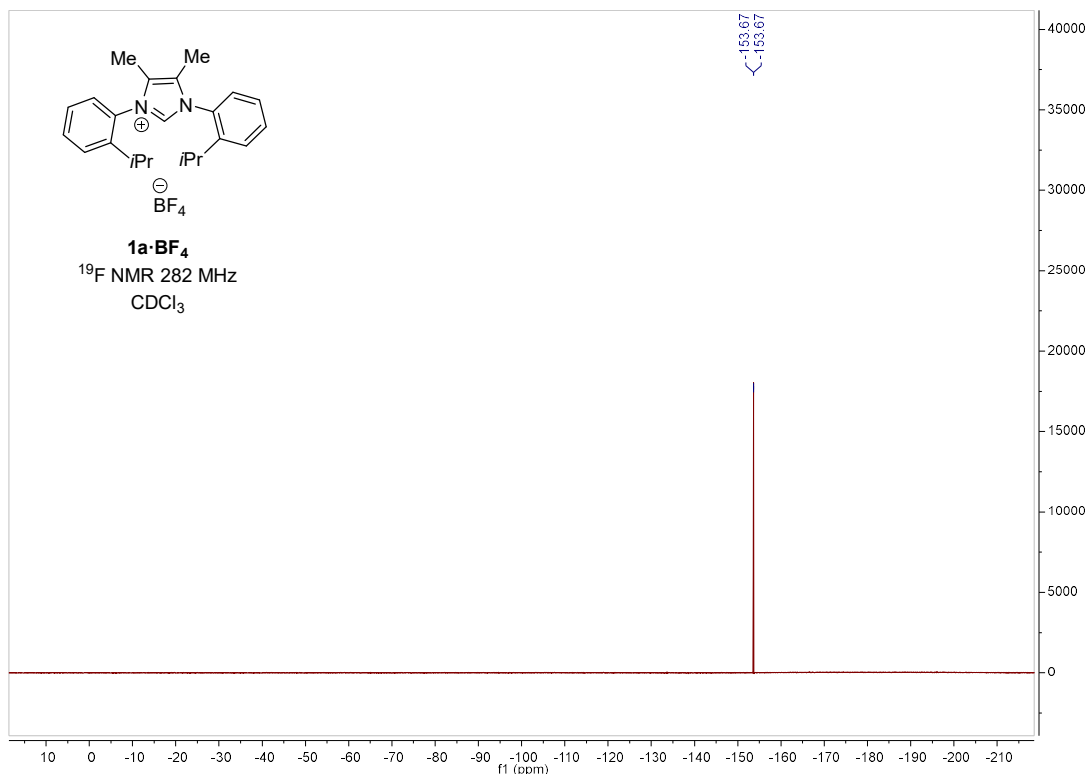


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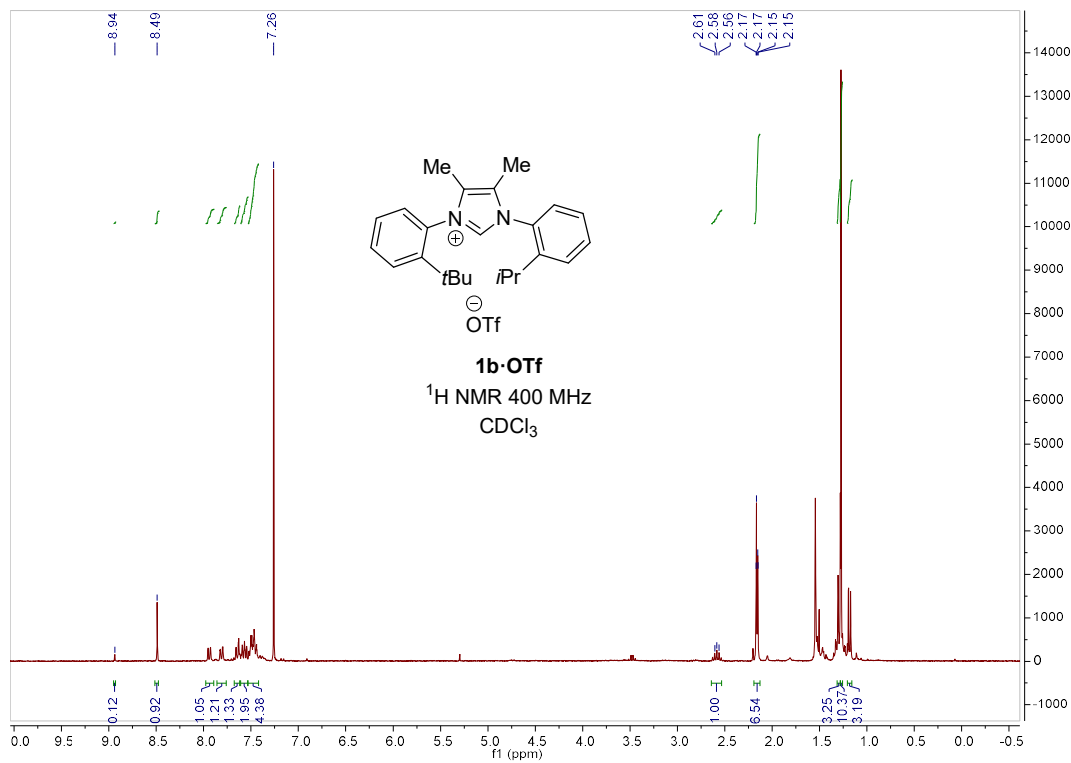


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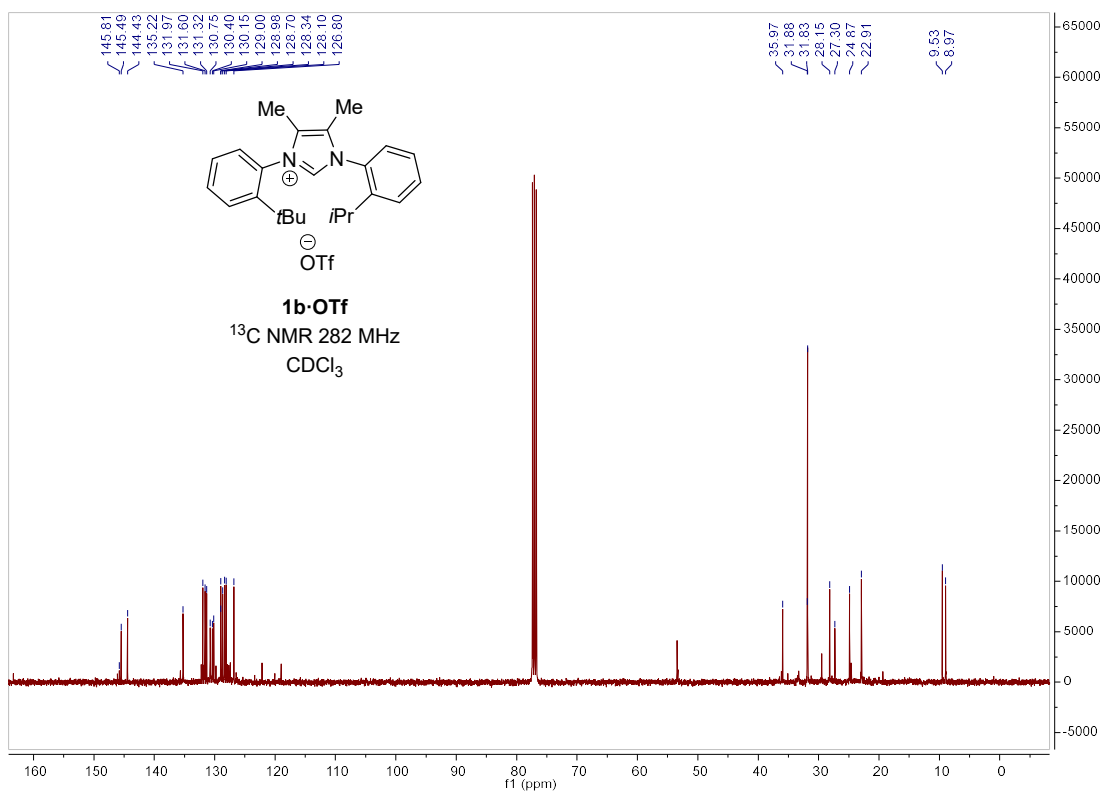


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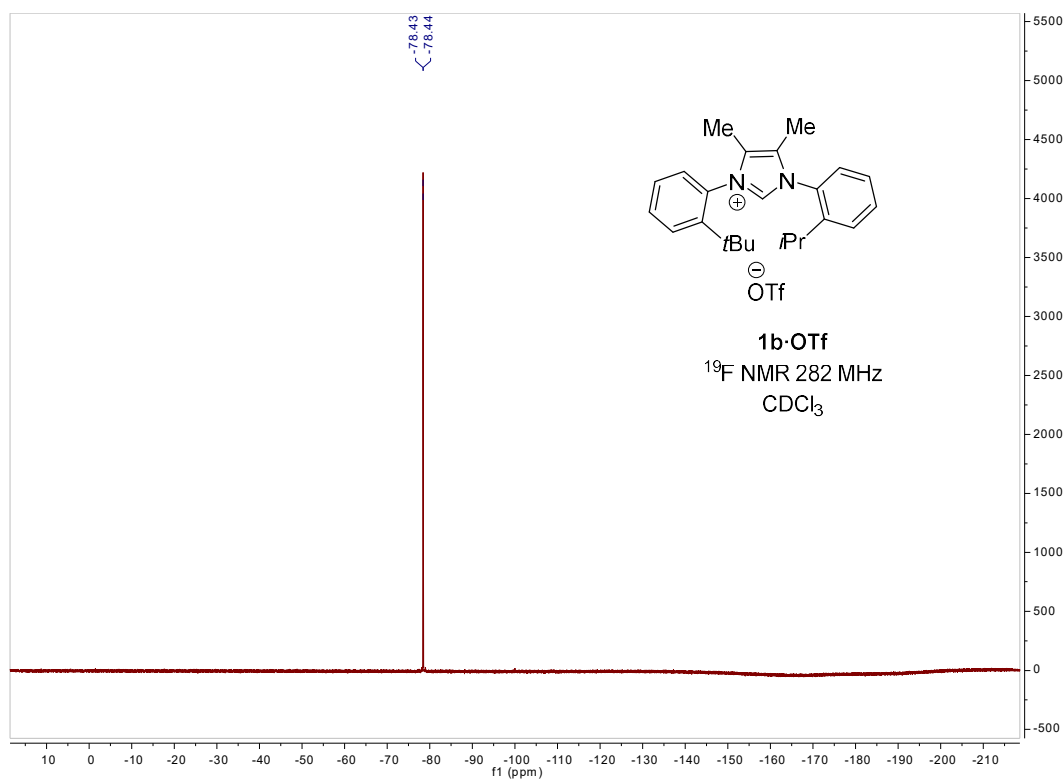


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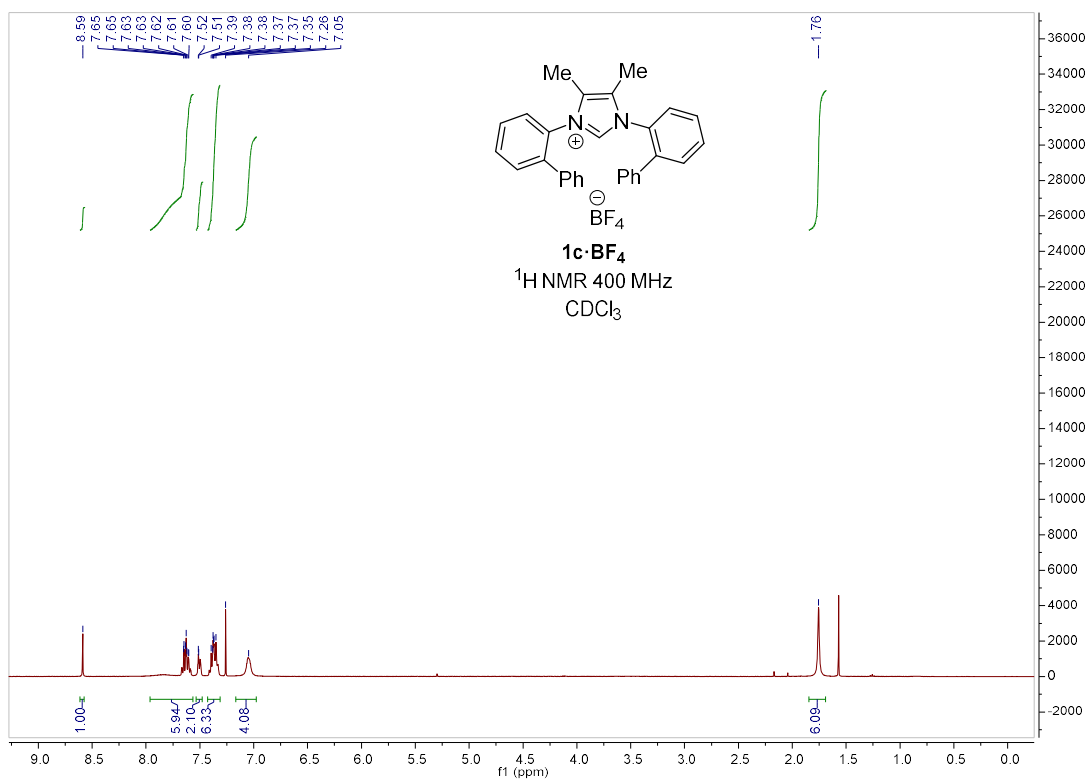


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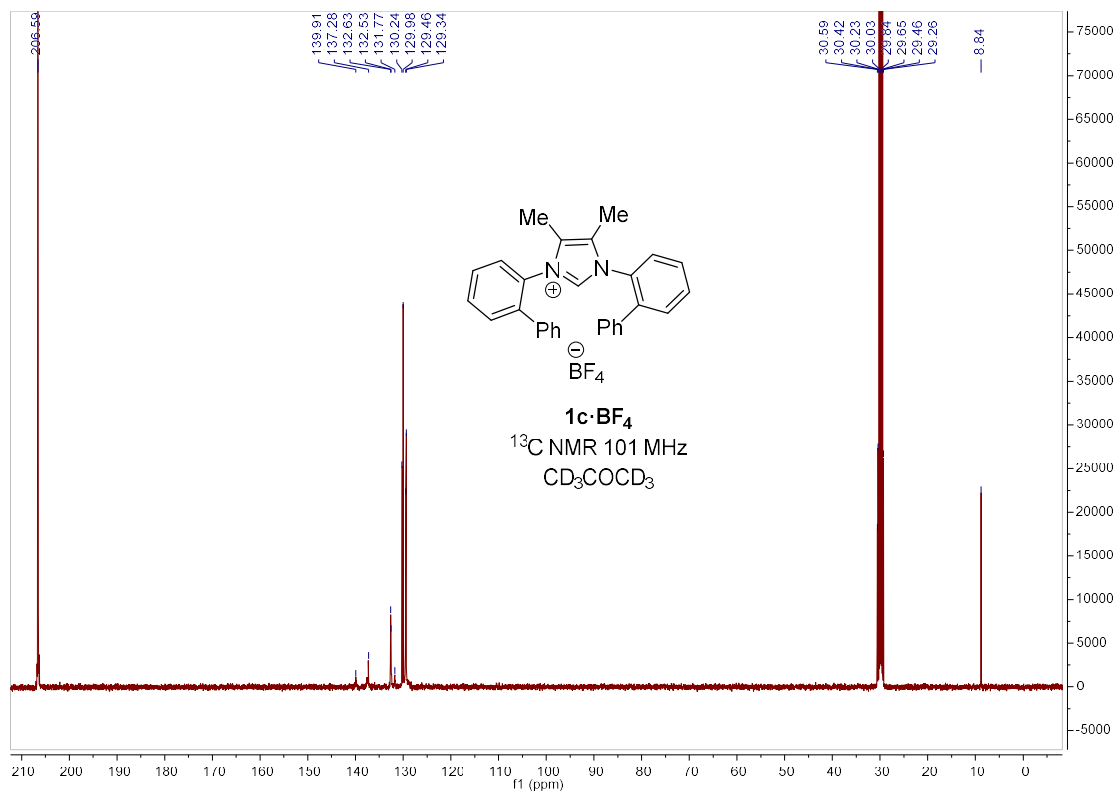


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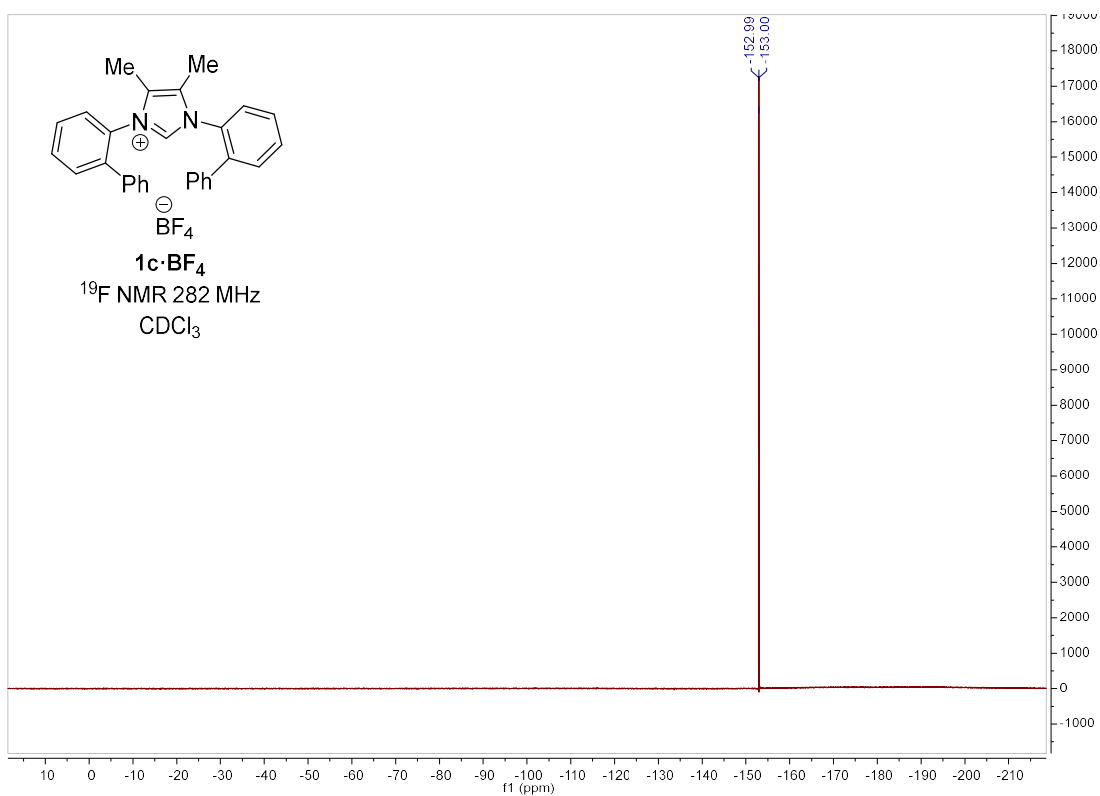


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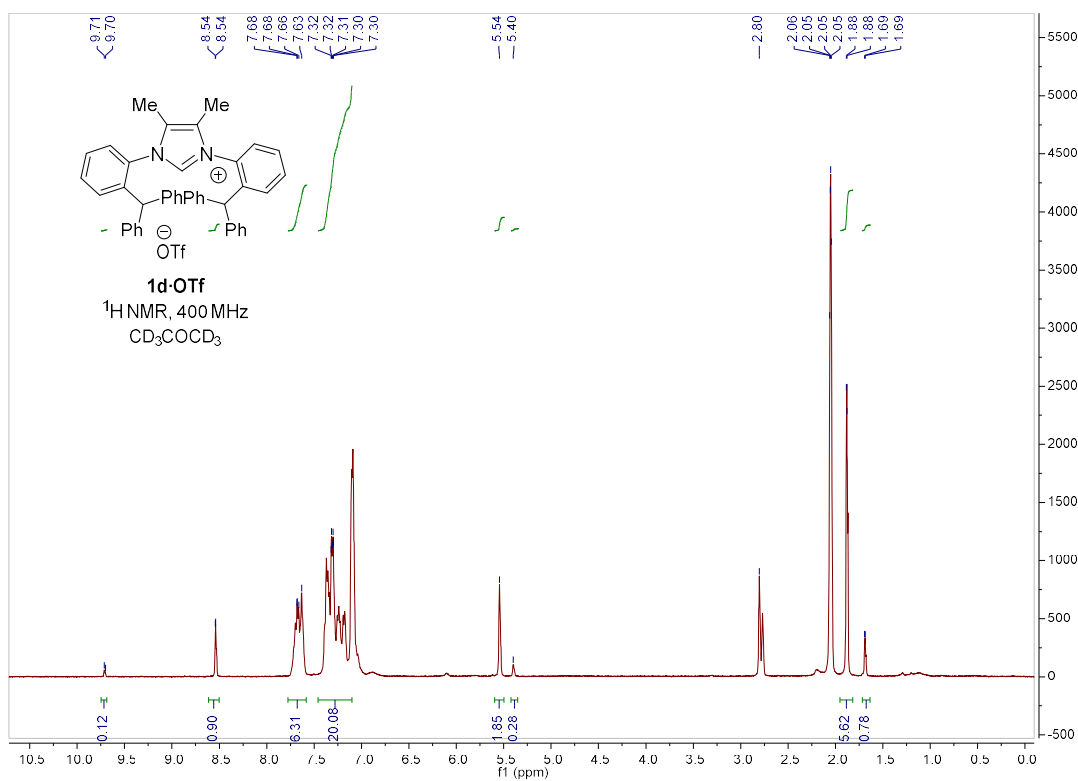


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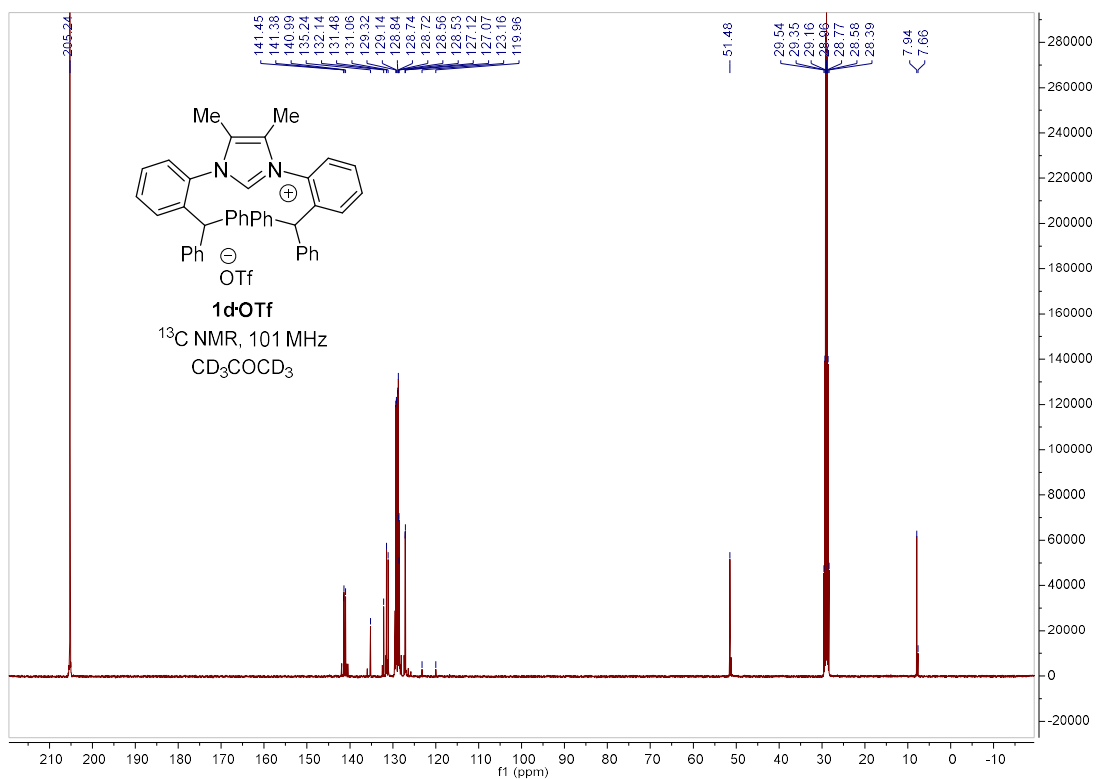


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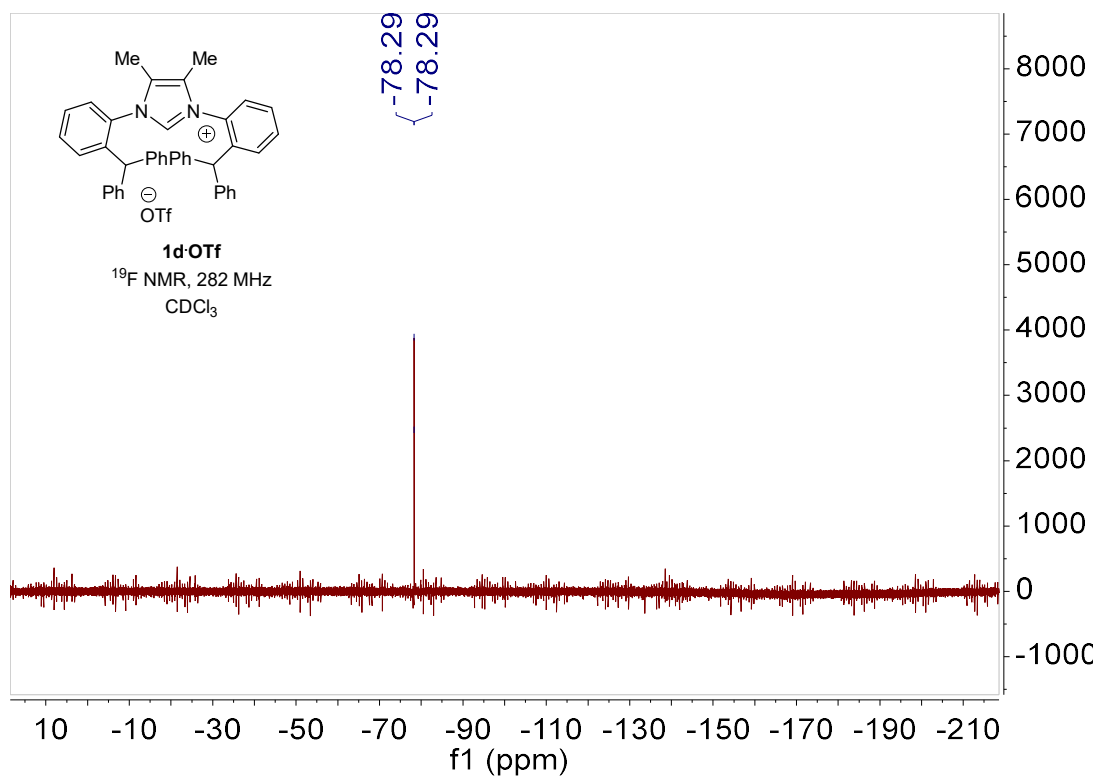


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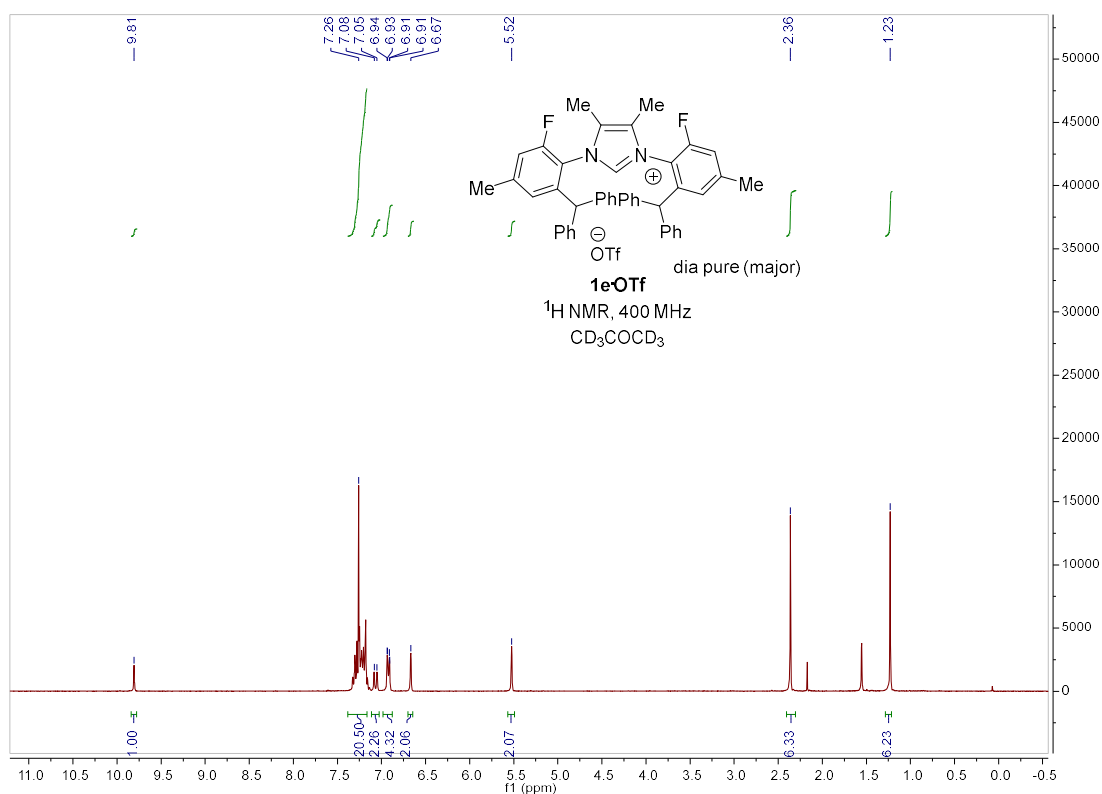


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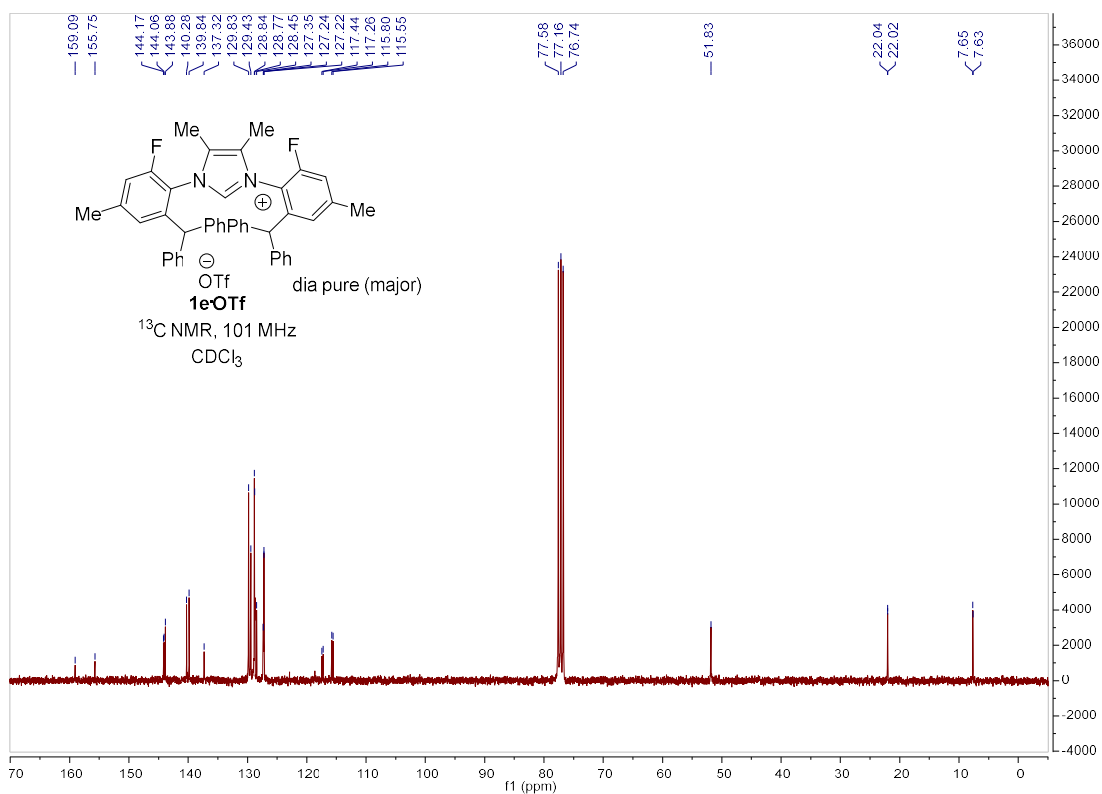


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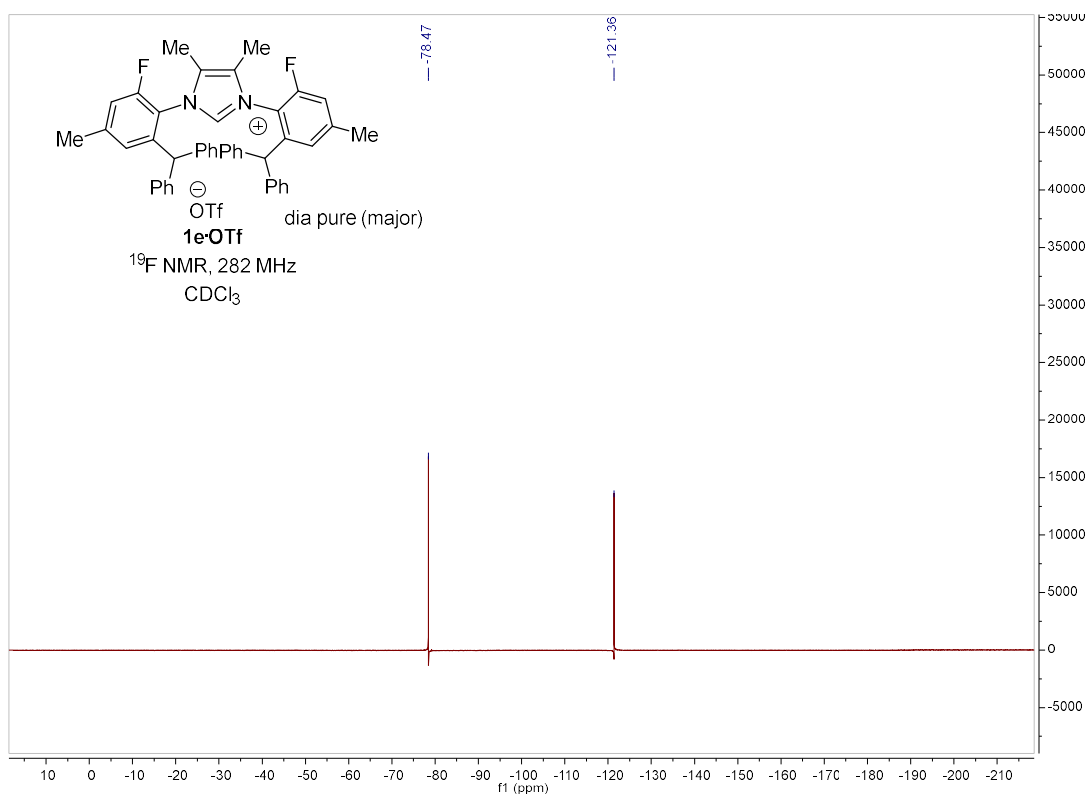


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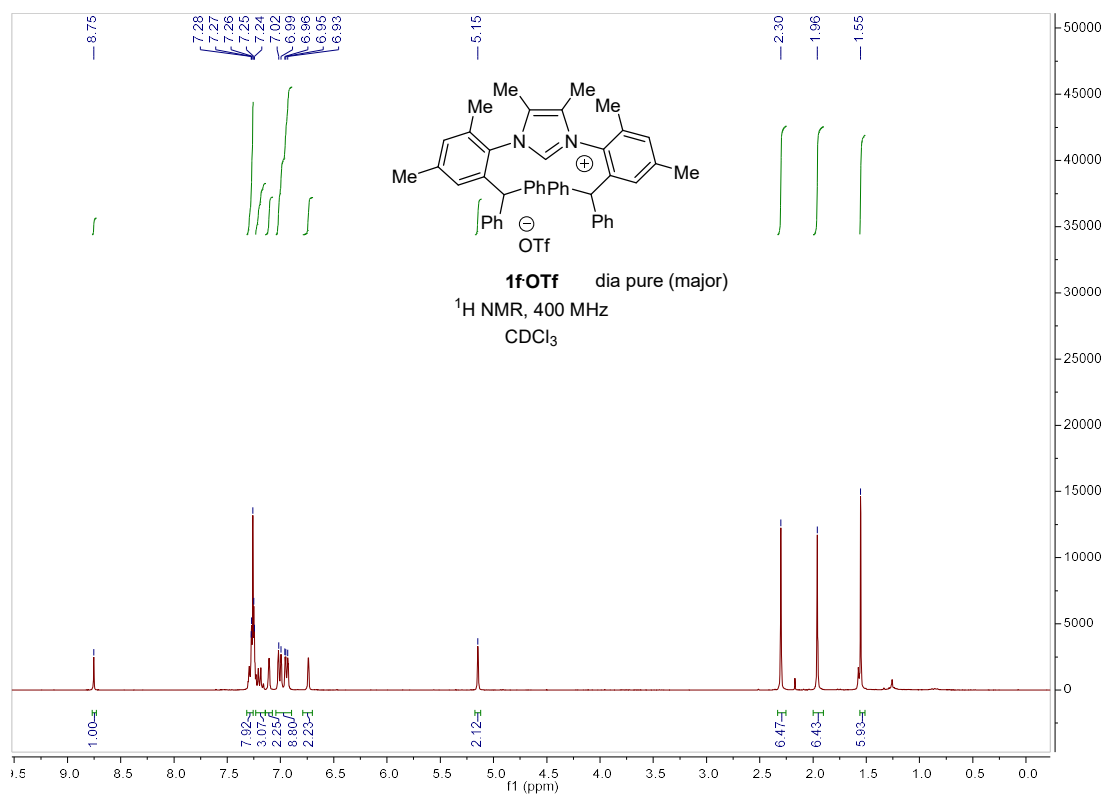


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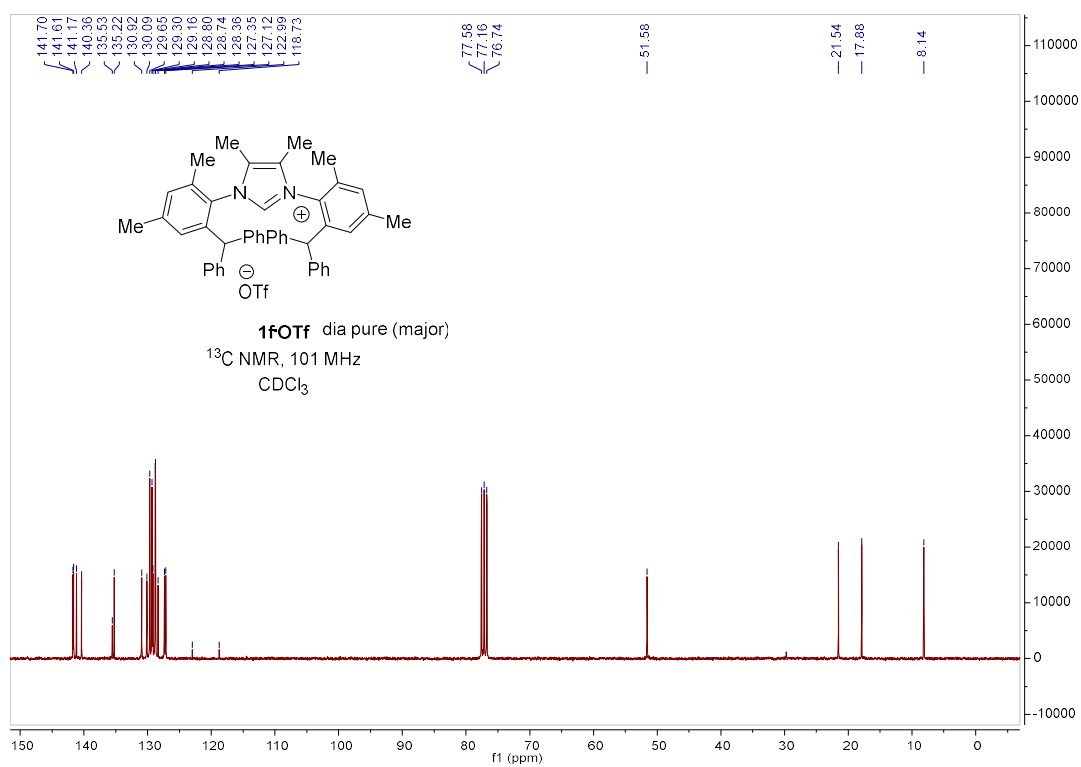


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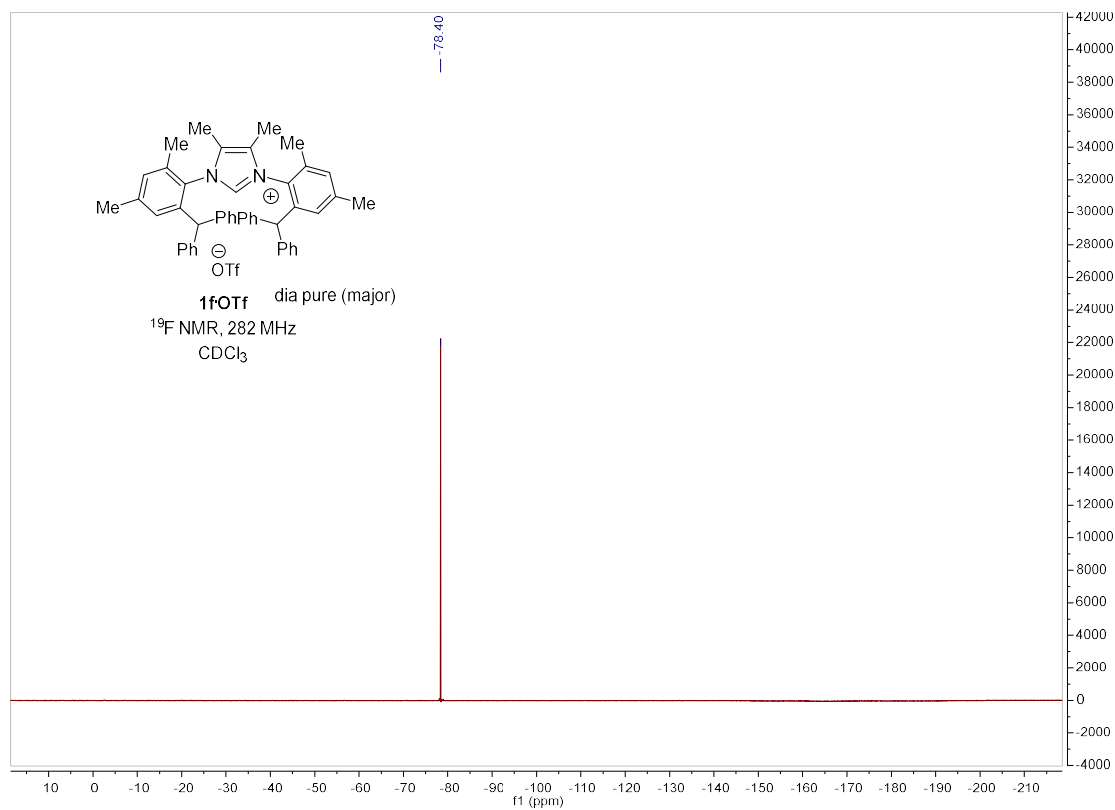


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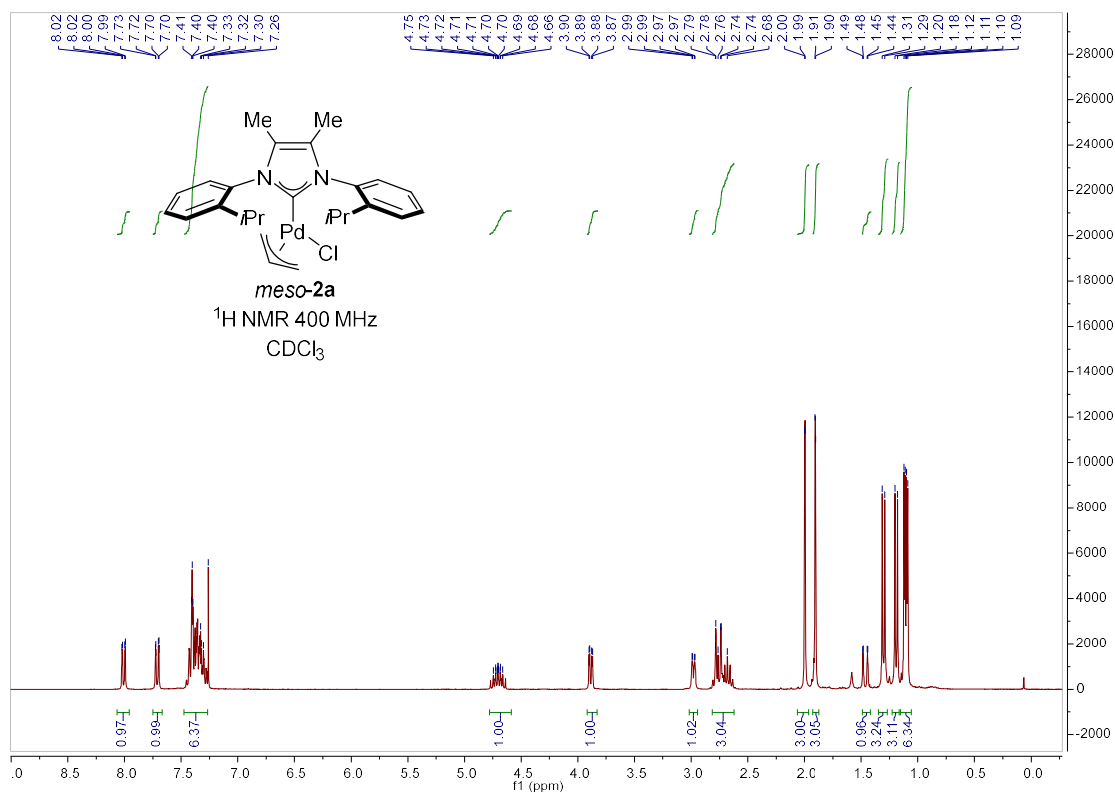


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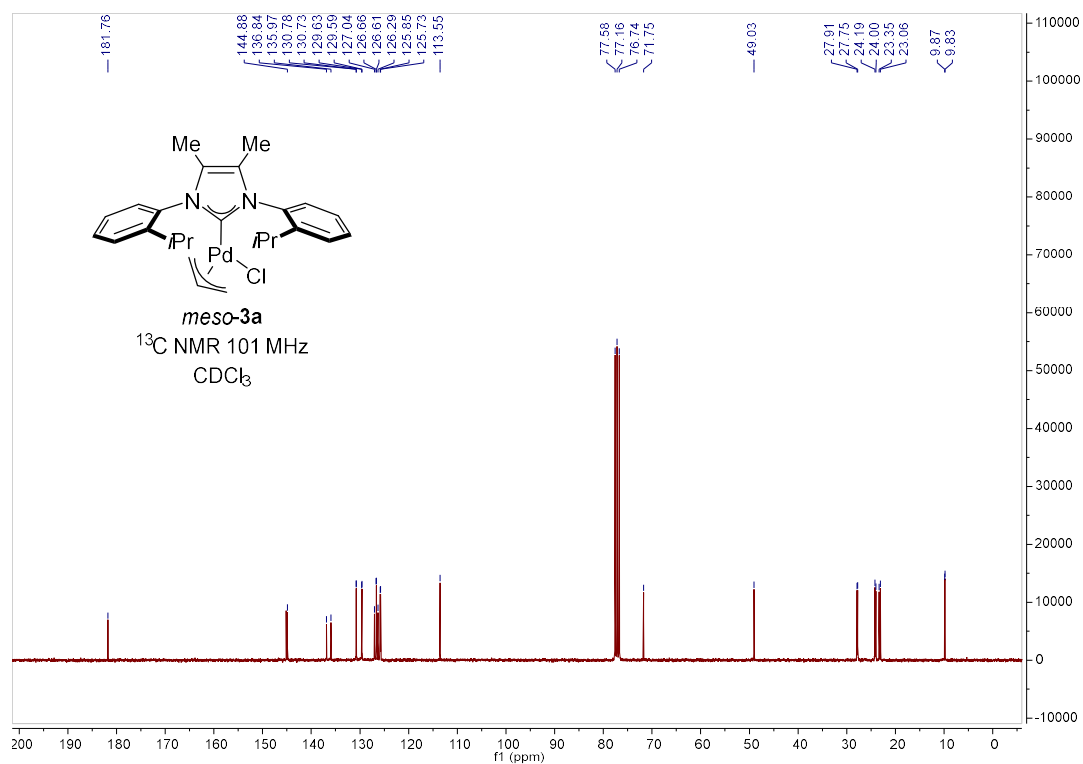


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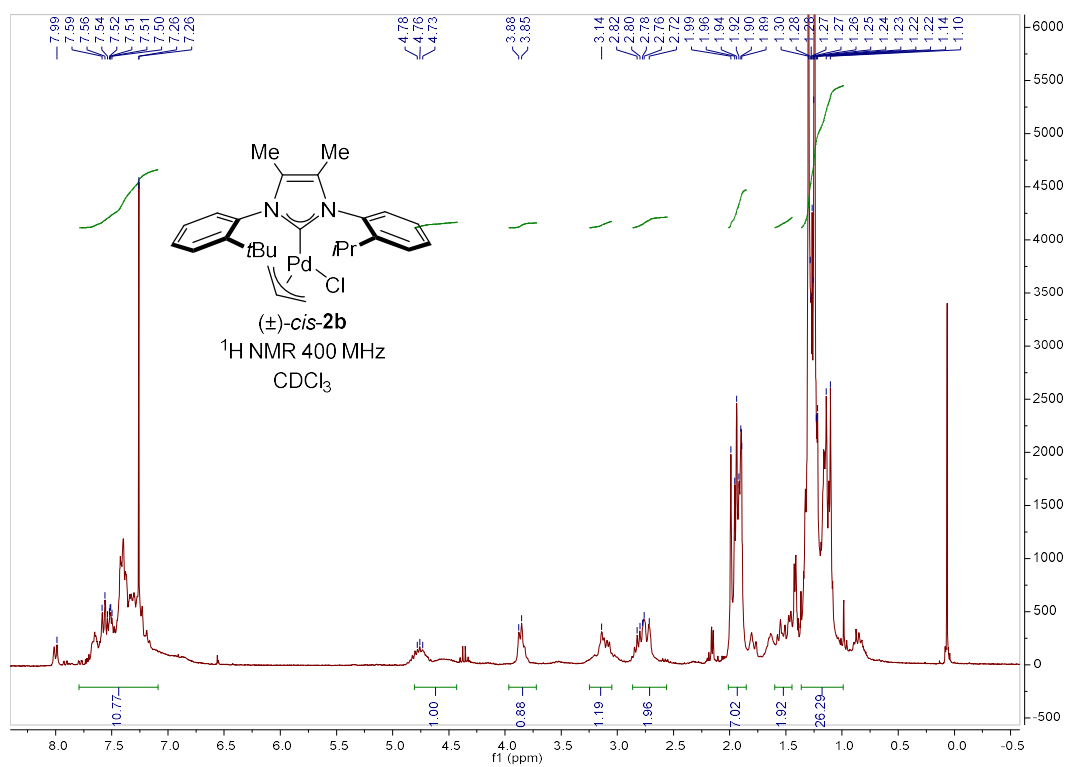


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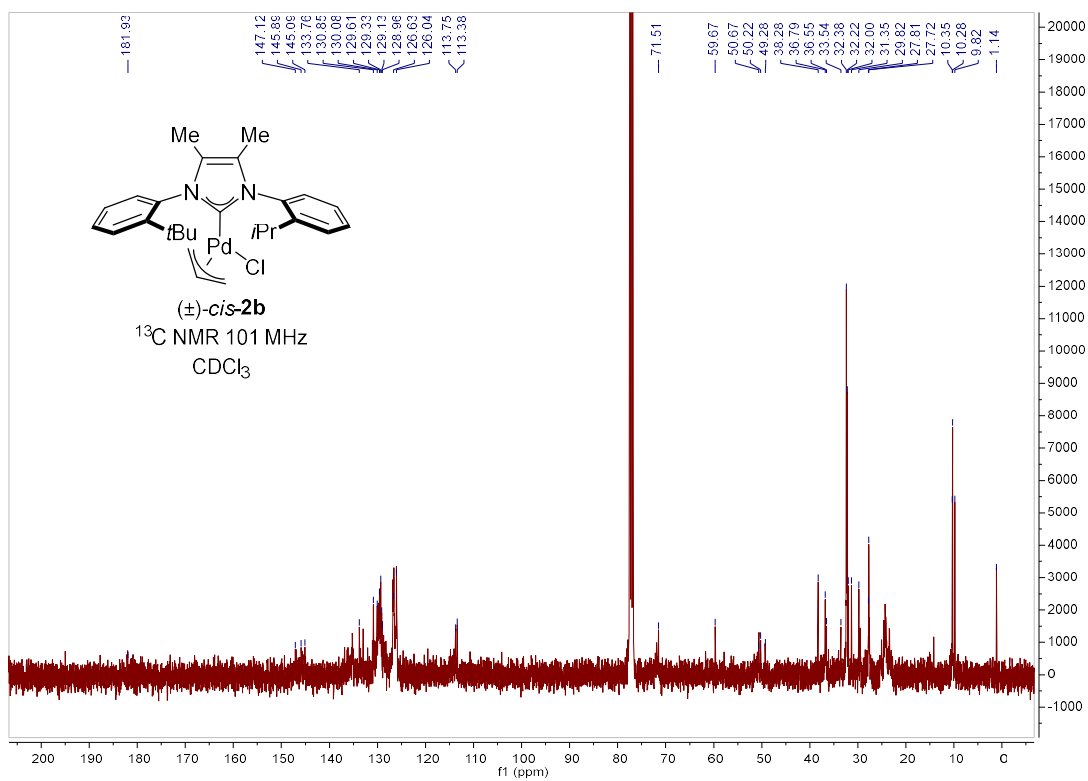


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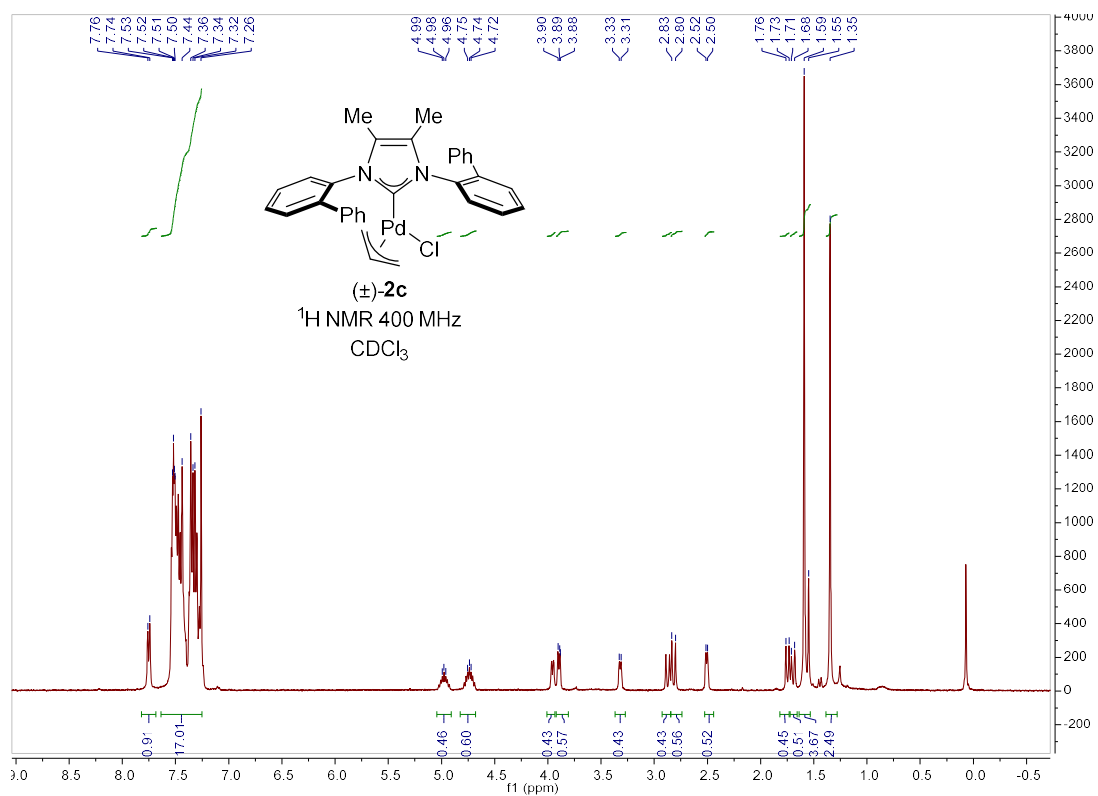


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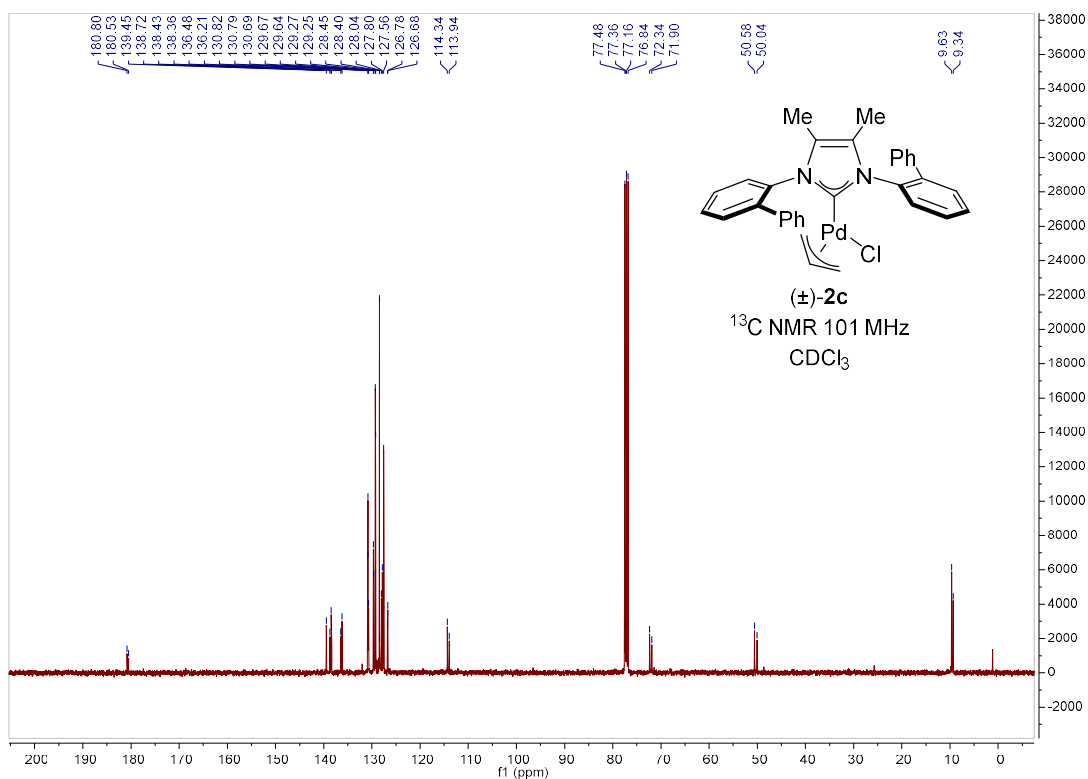


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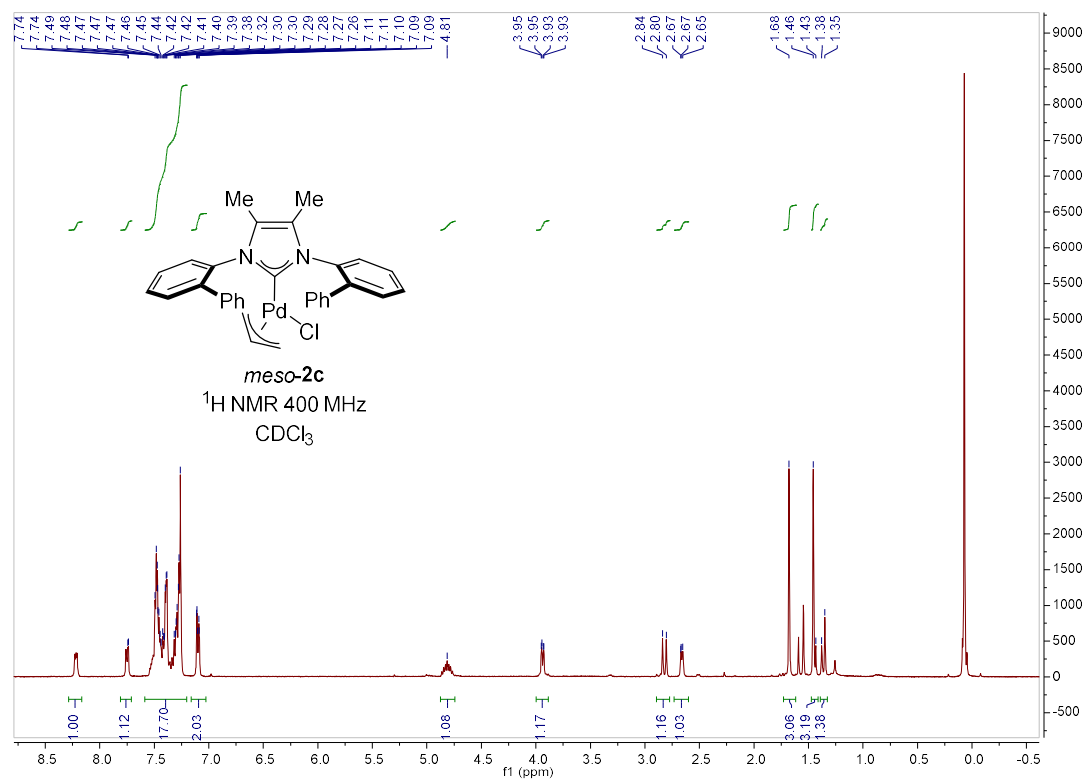


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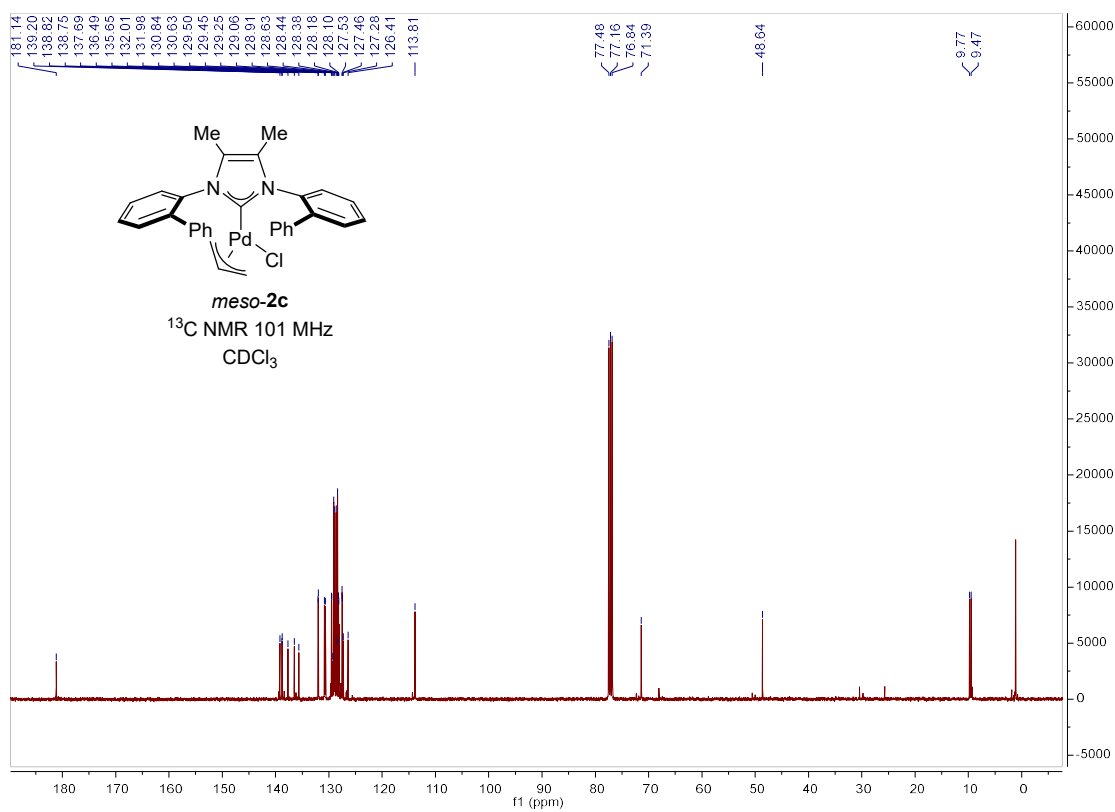


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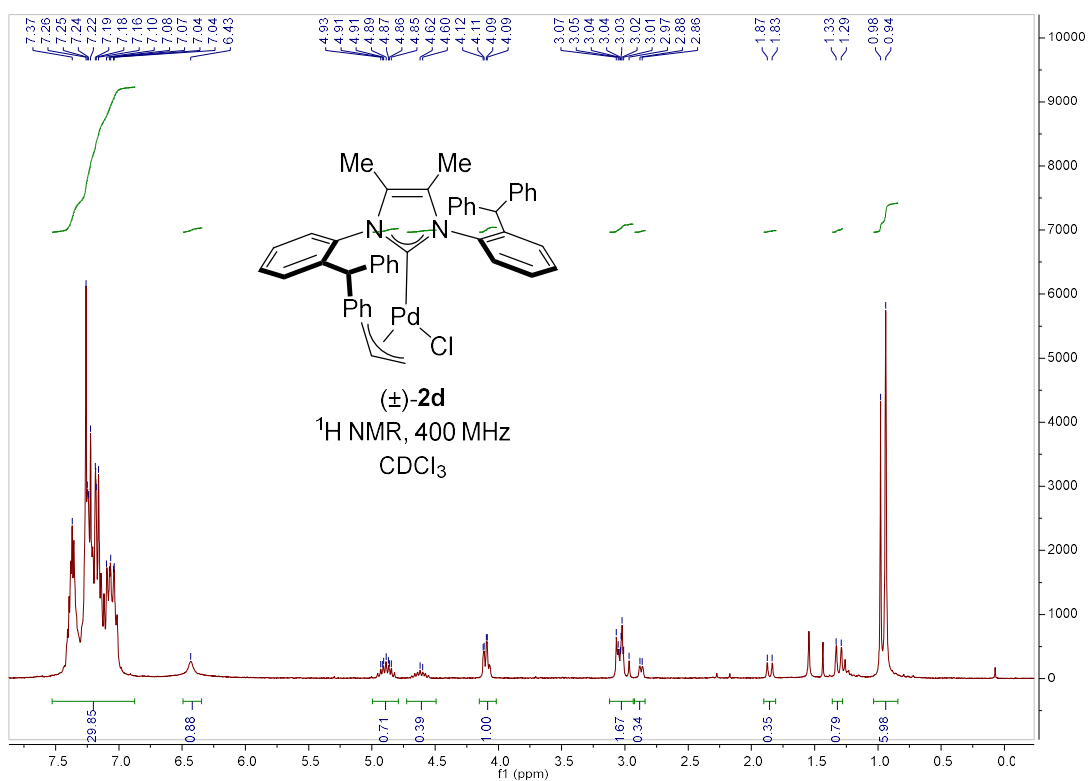


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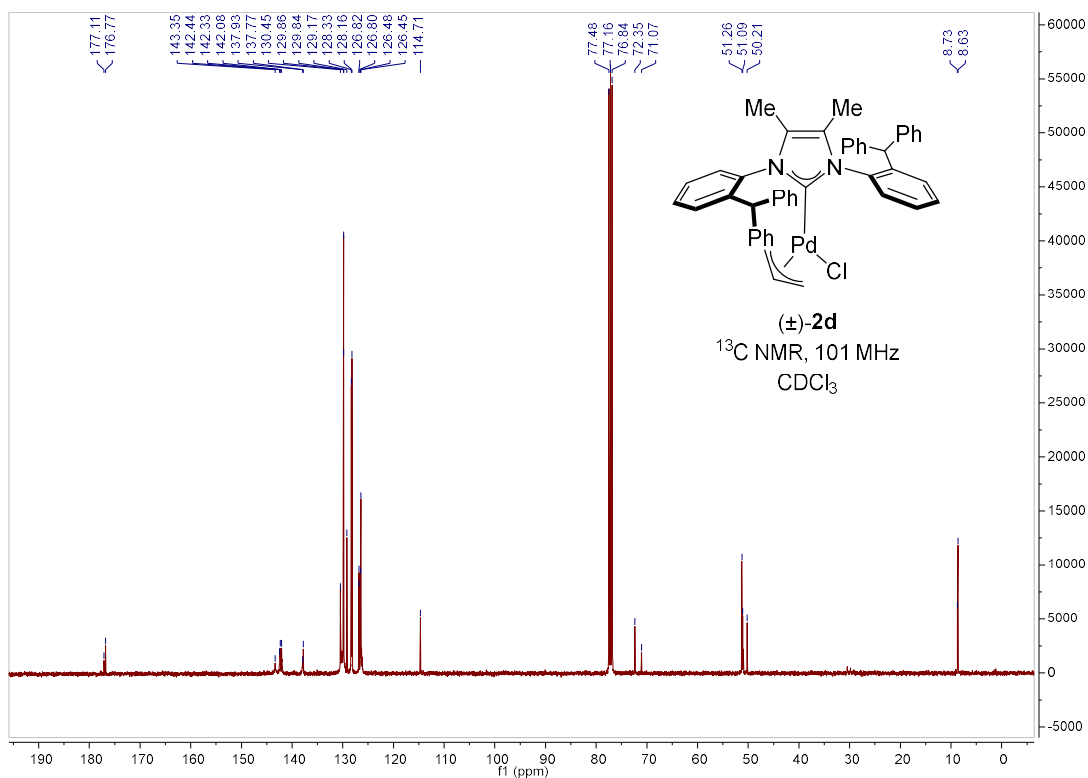


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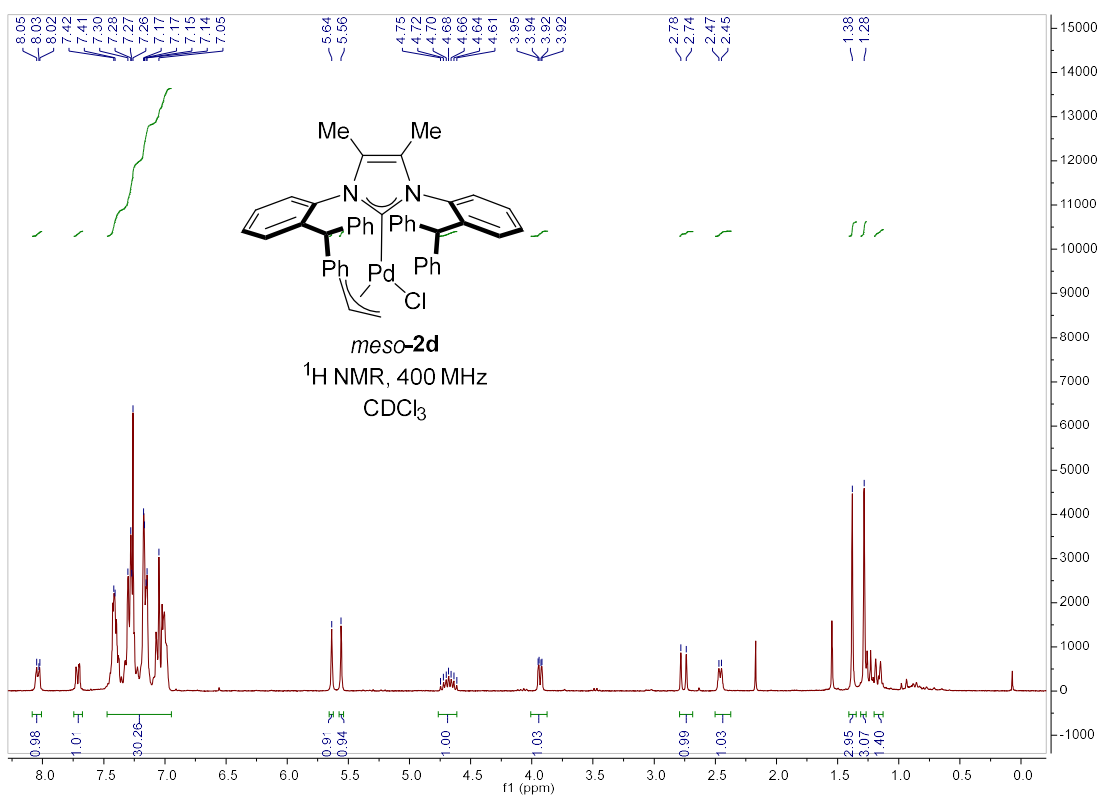


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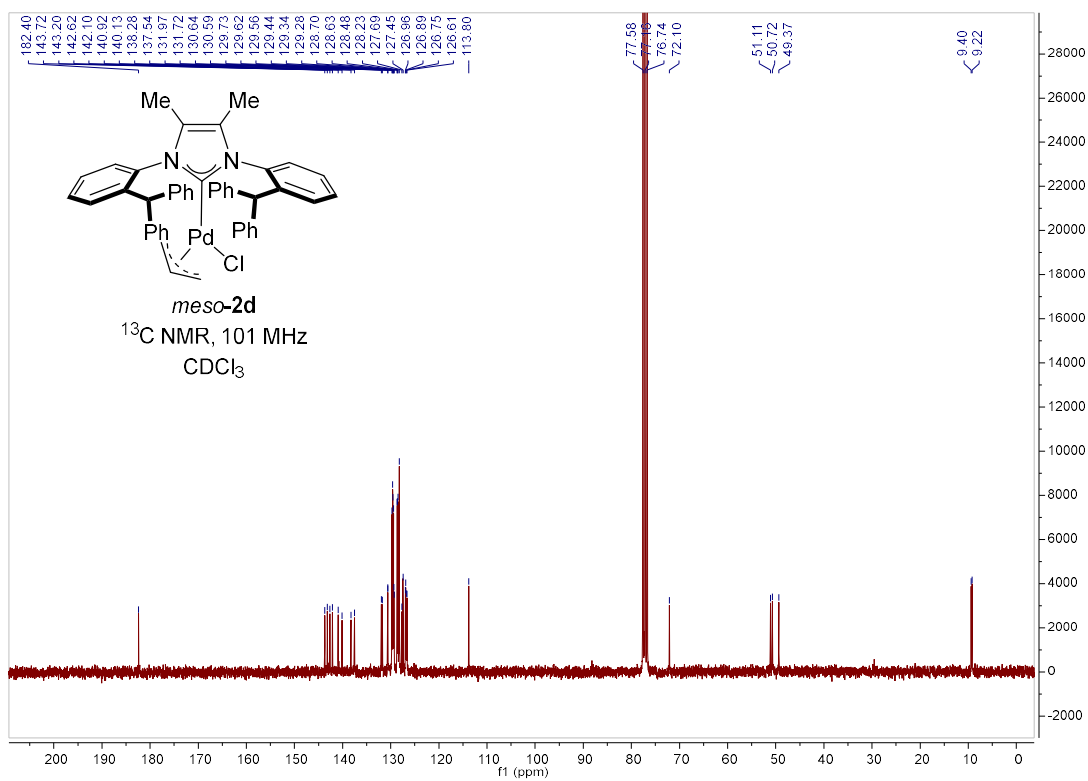


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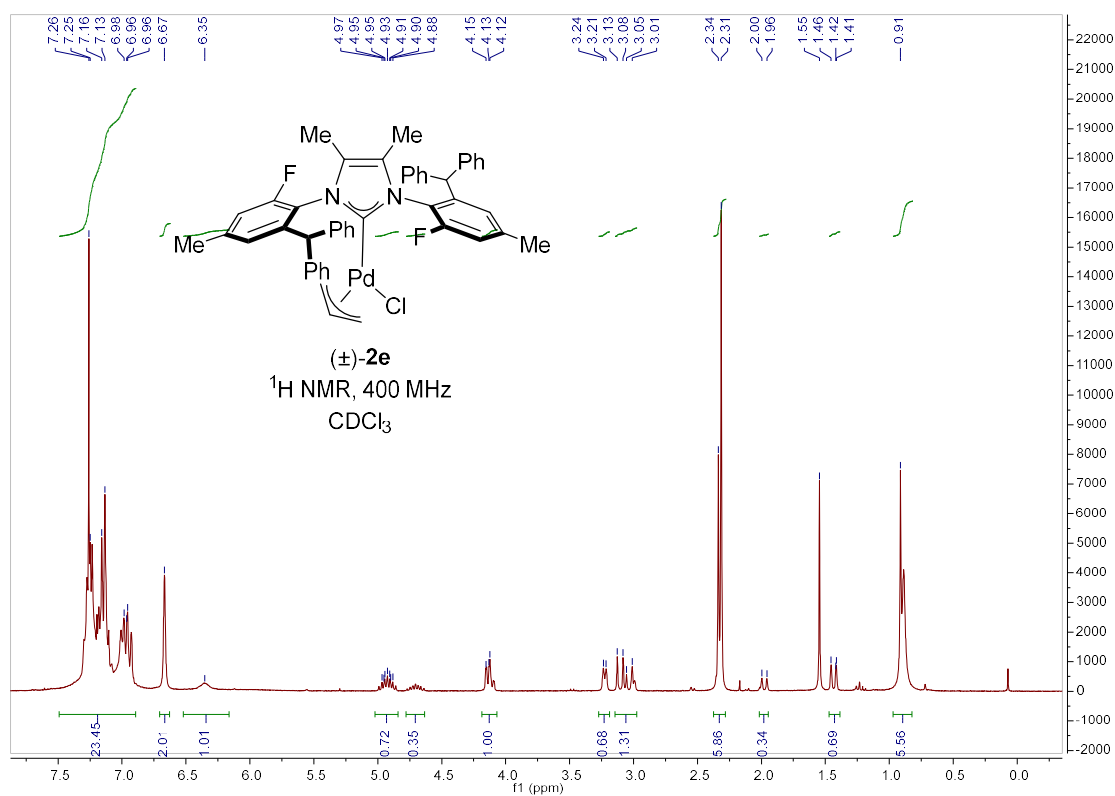


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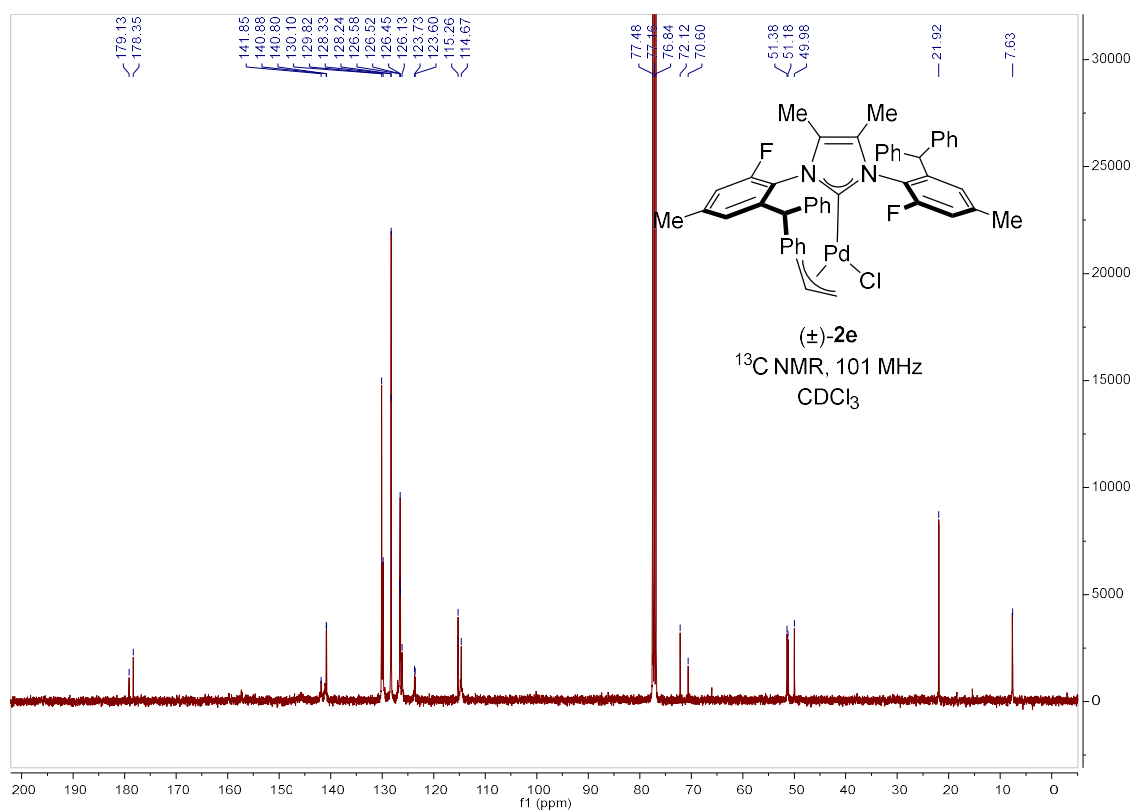
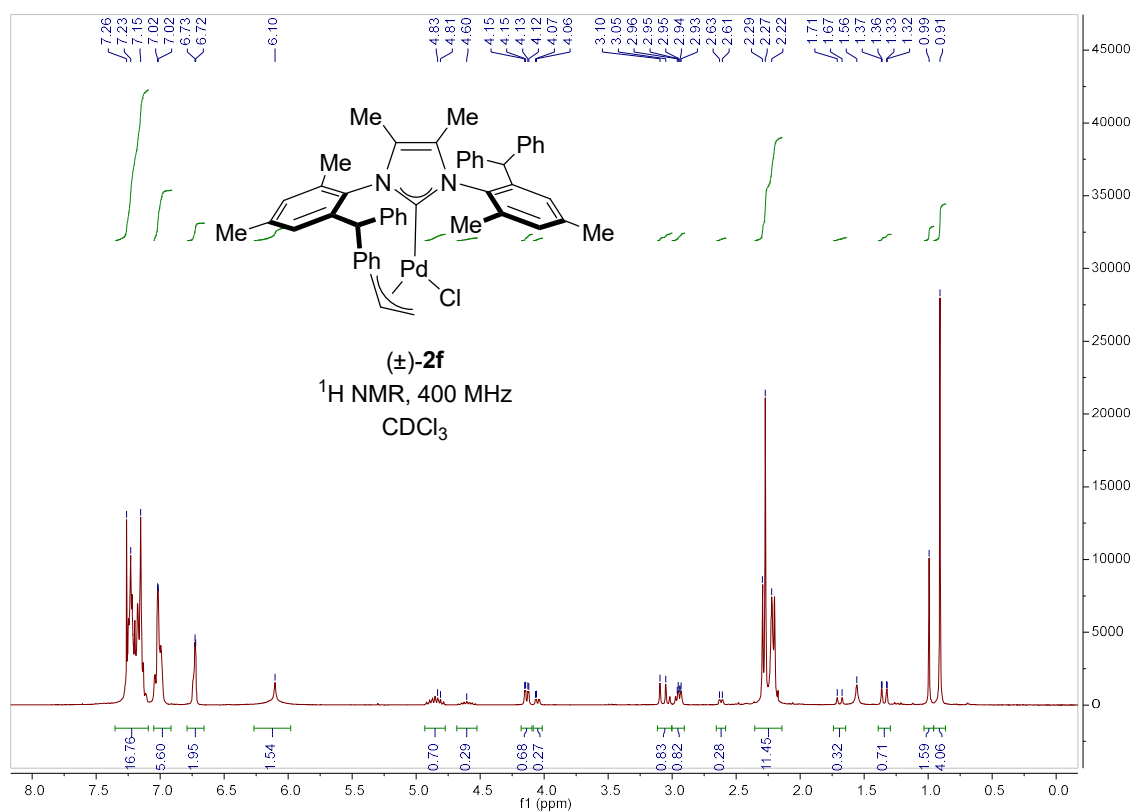
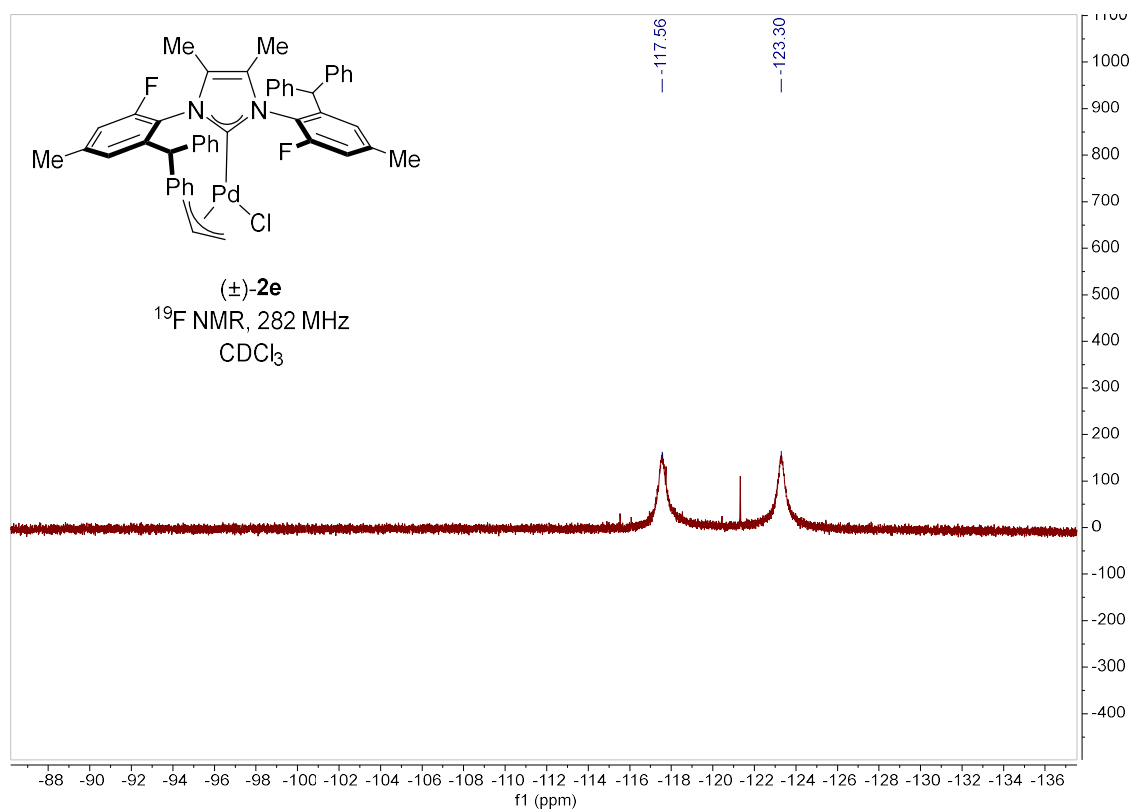


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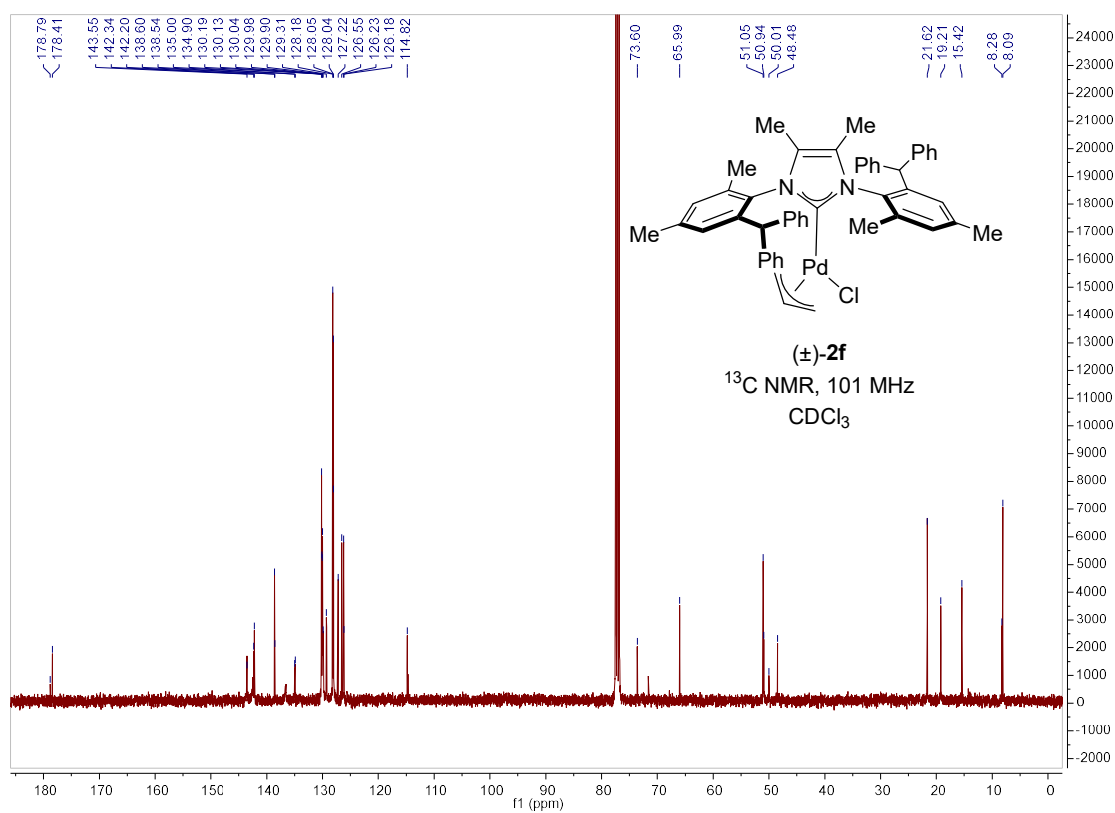


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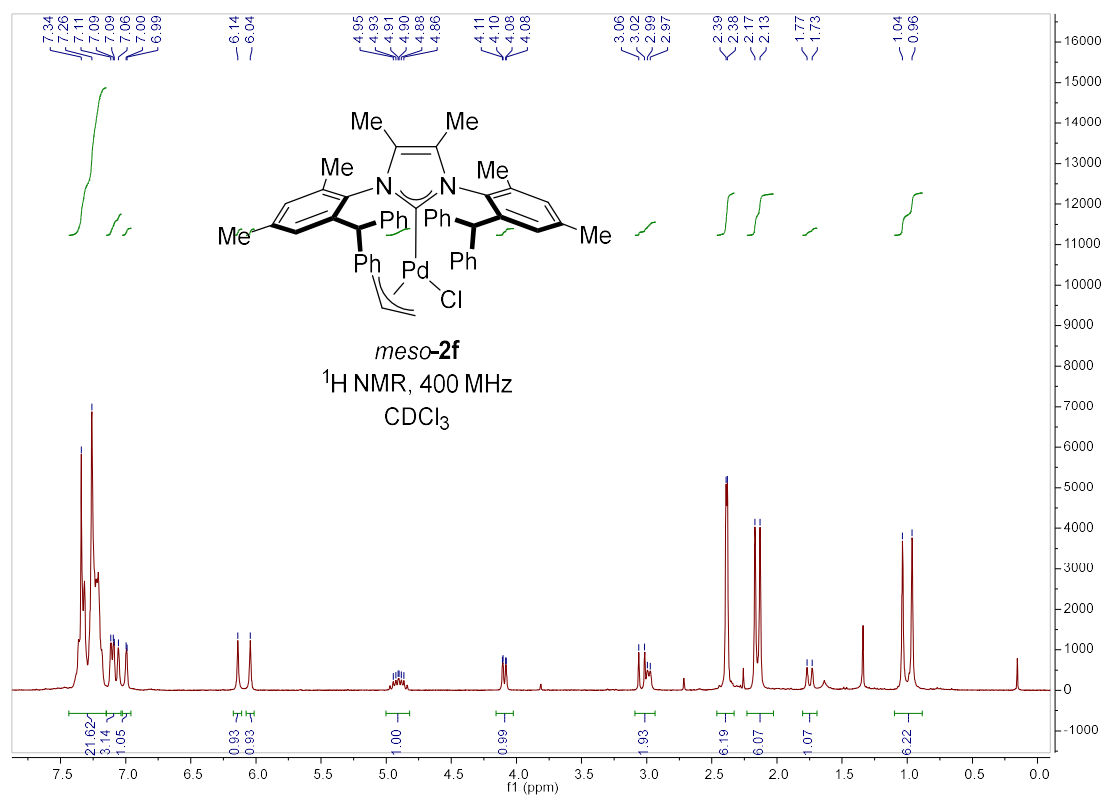


Figure S93. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of palladium complex (*meso*)-**2f**

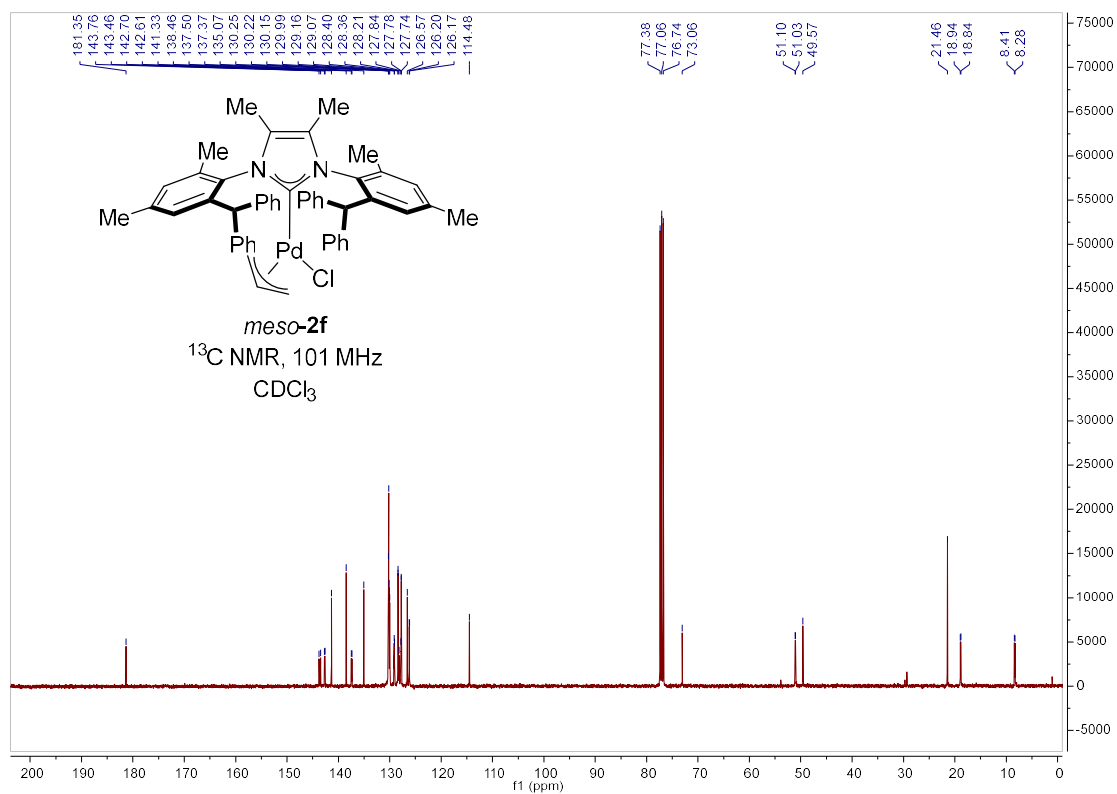


Figure S94. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (*meso*)-2f

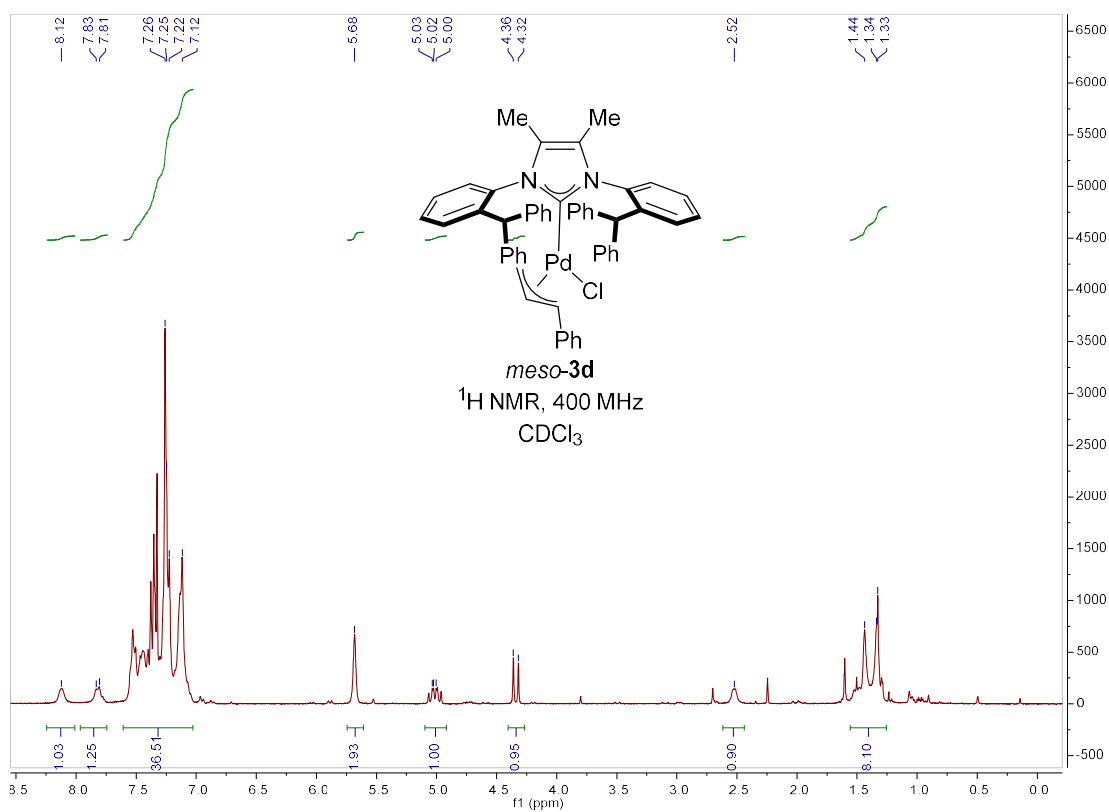


Figure S95. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (*meso*)-3d

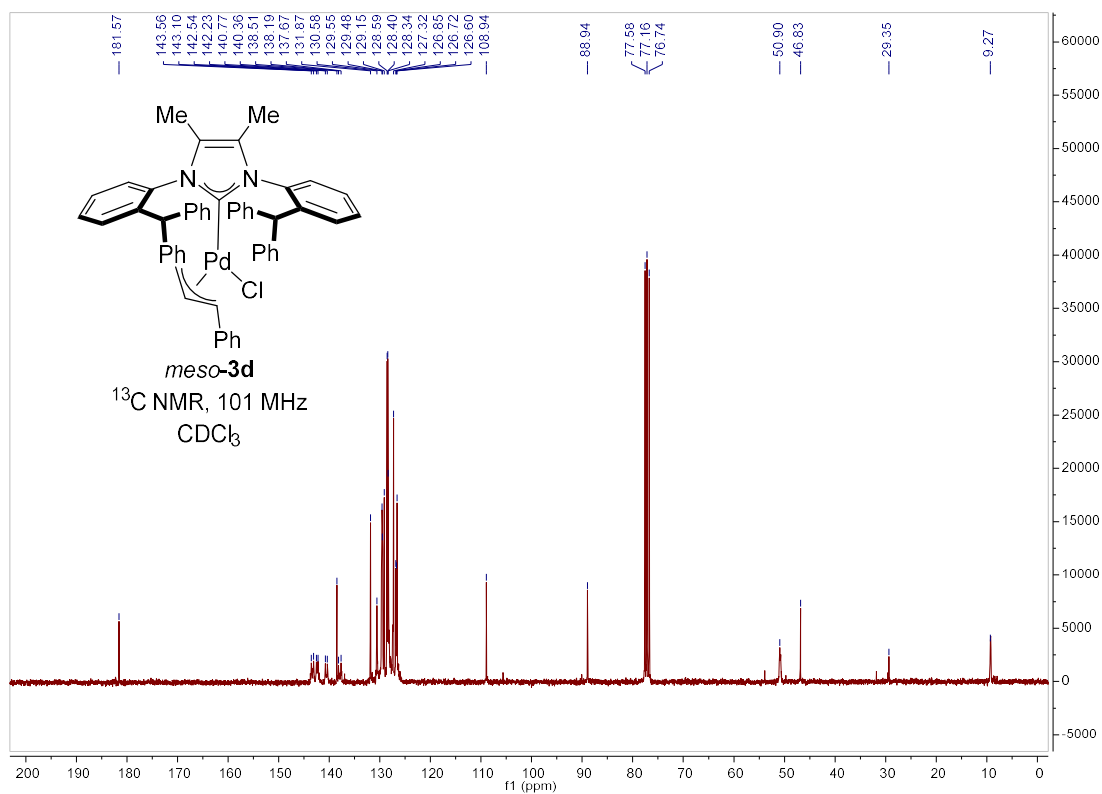


Figure S96. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (*meso*)-**3d**

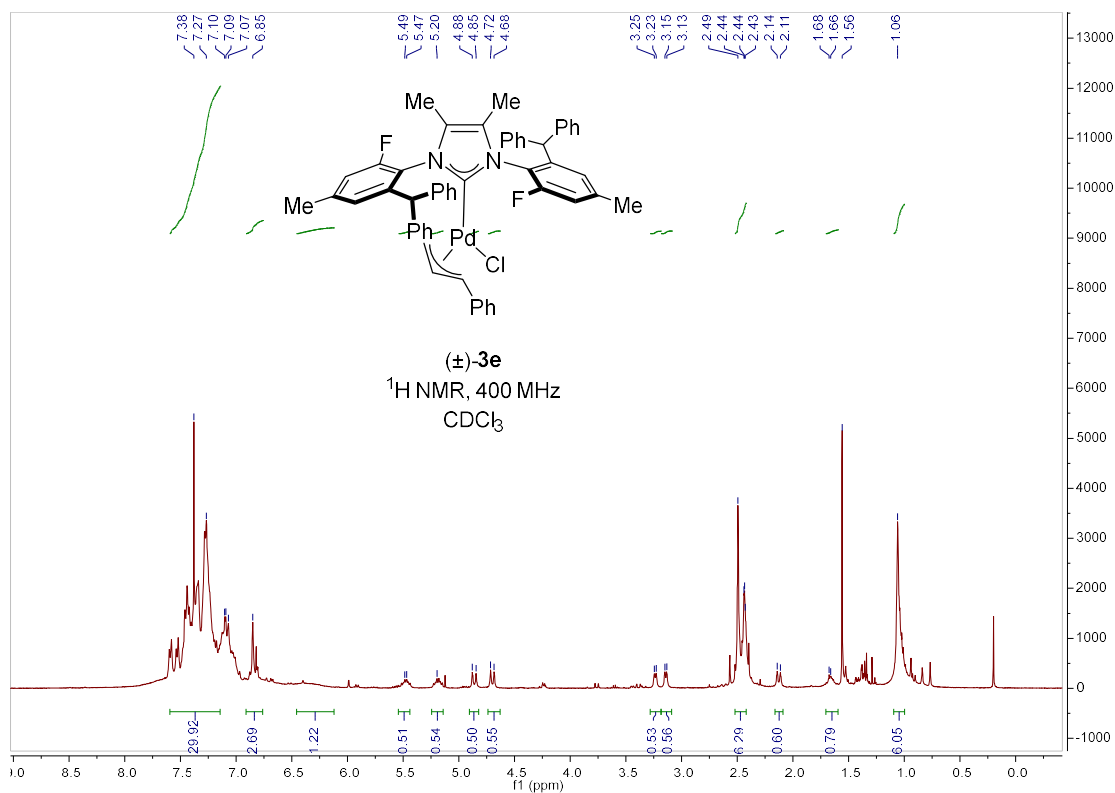


Figure S97. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (\pm)-**3e**

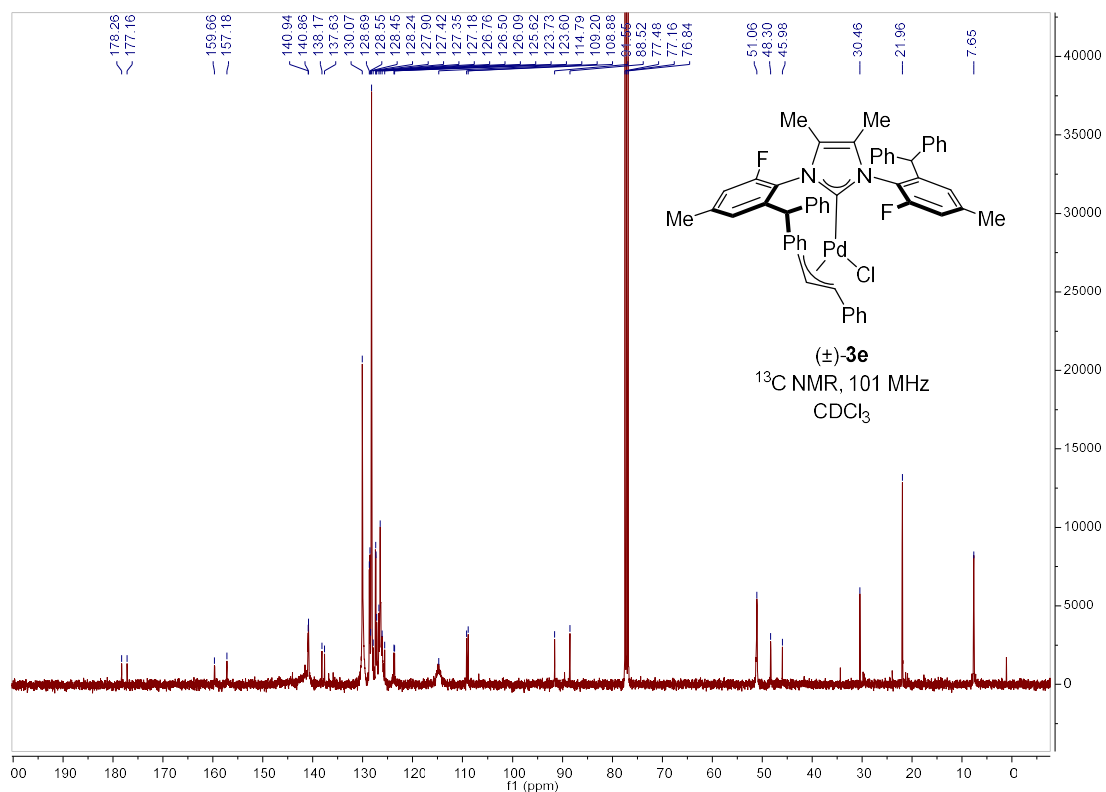


Figure S98. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of palladium complex (\pm)-**3e**

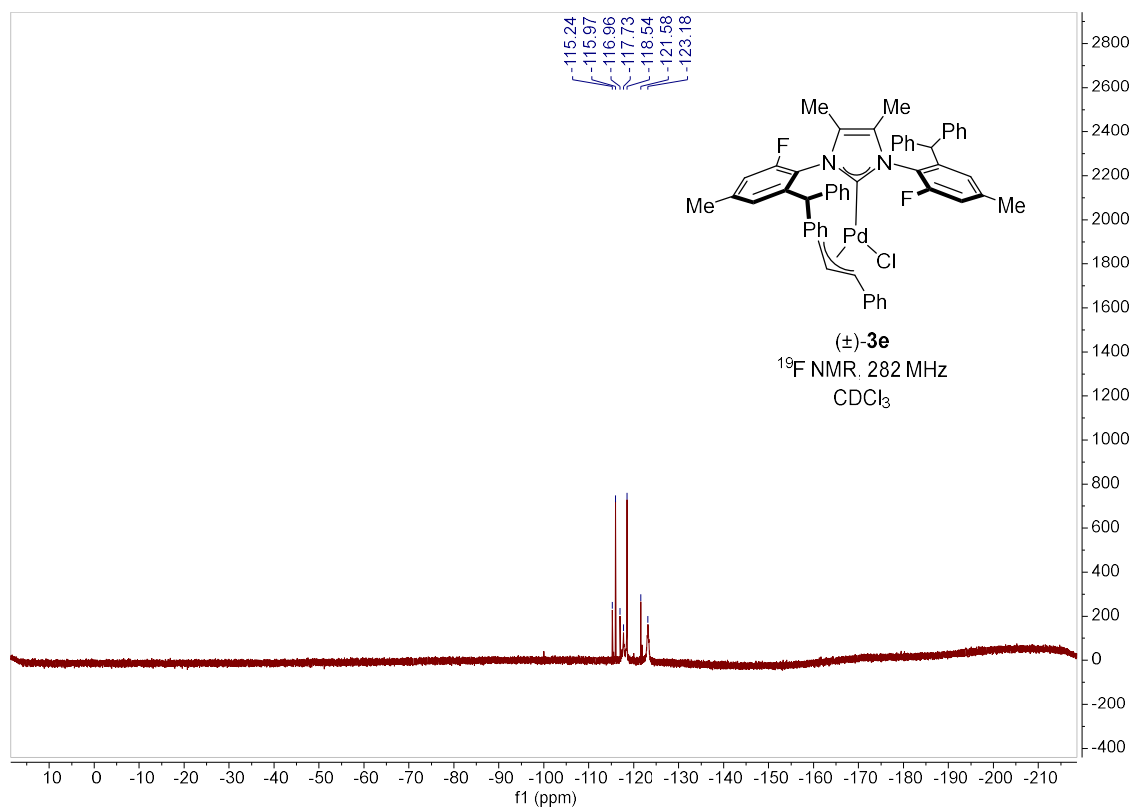


Figure S99. $^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (282 MHz, CDCl₃) of palladium complex (\pm)-**3e**

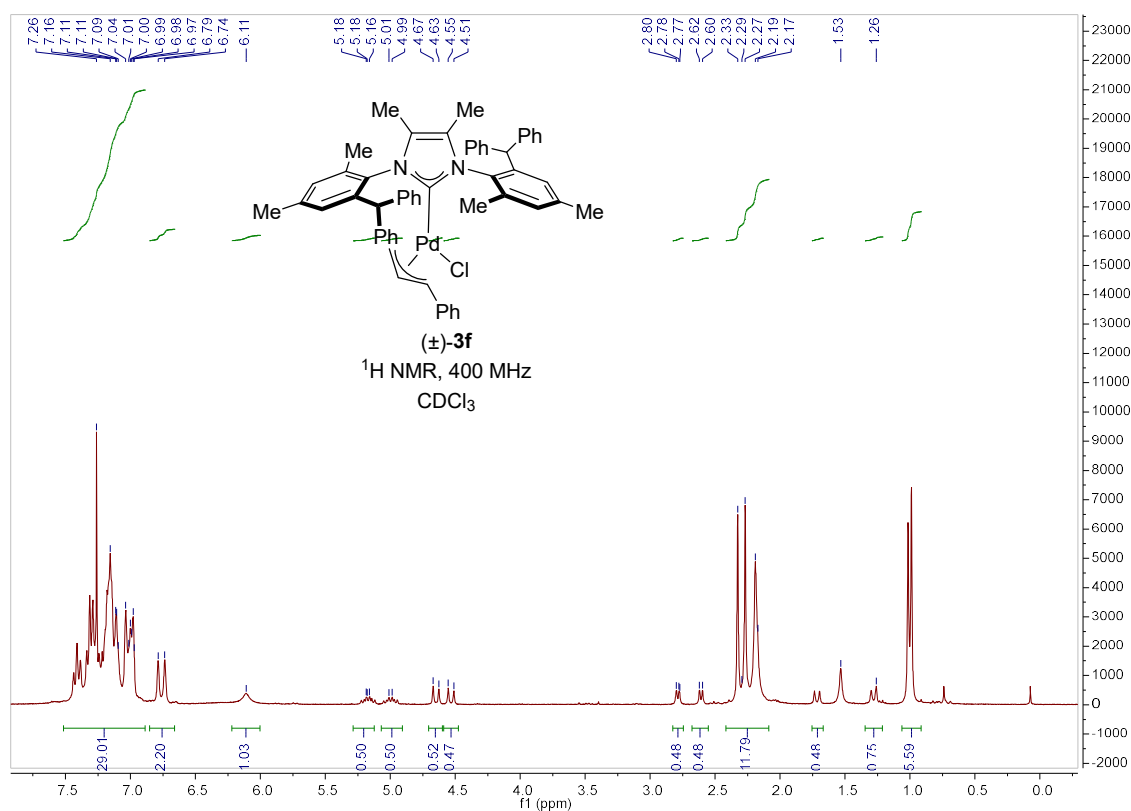


Figure S100. $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (\pm)-**3f**

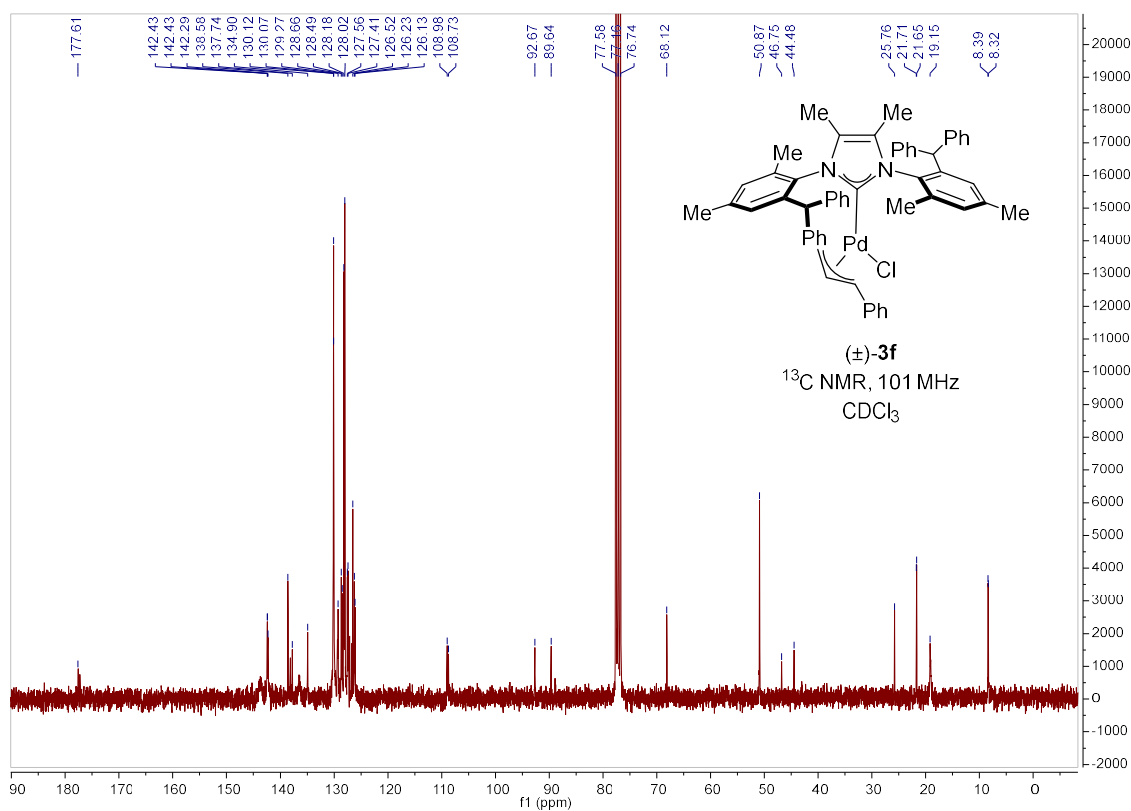


Figure S101. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (\pm)-**3f**

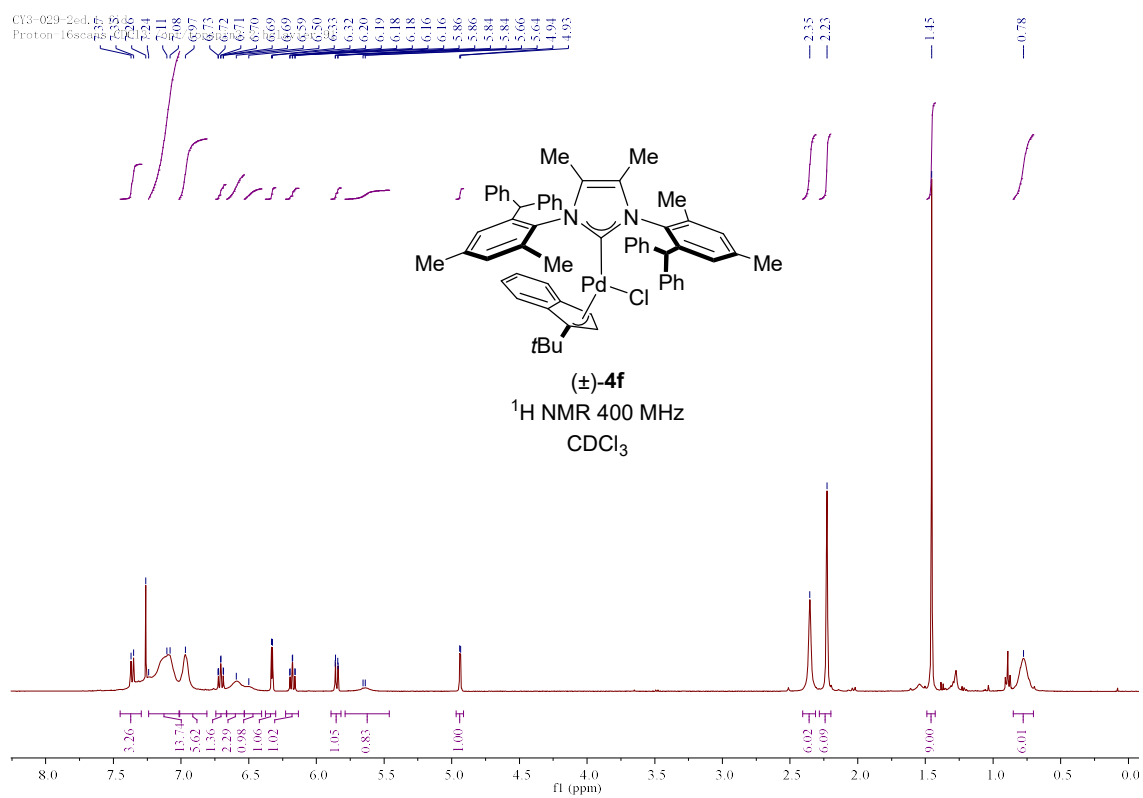


Figure S102. $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (\pm)-**4f**

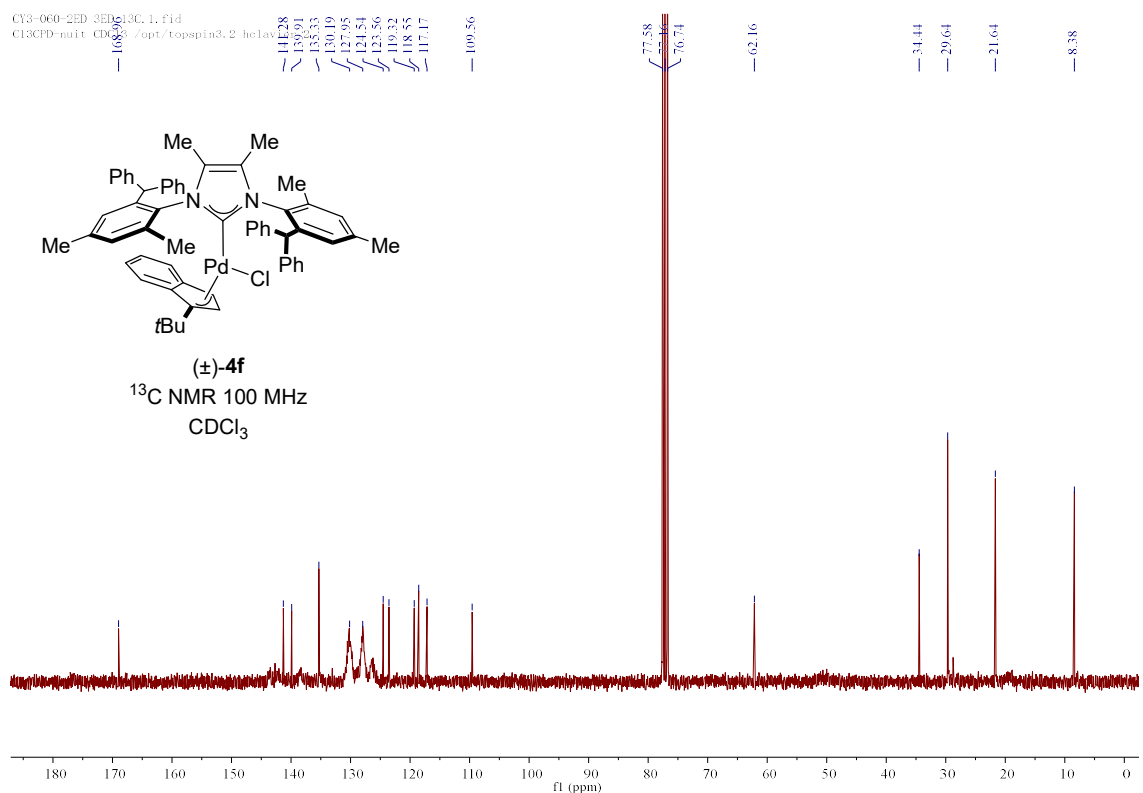


Figure S103. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of palladium complex (\pm)-**4f**

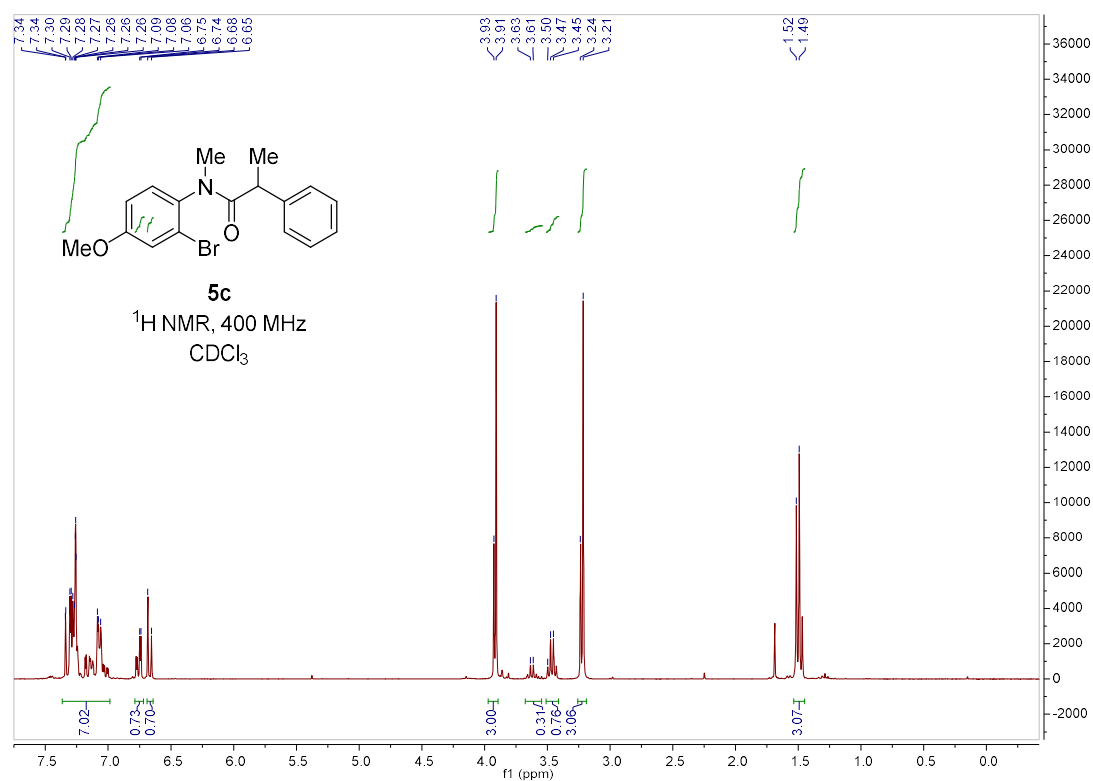


Figure S104. $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5c**

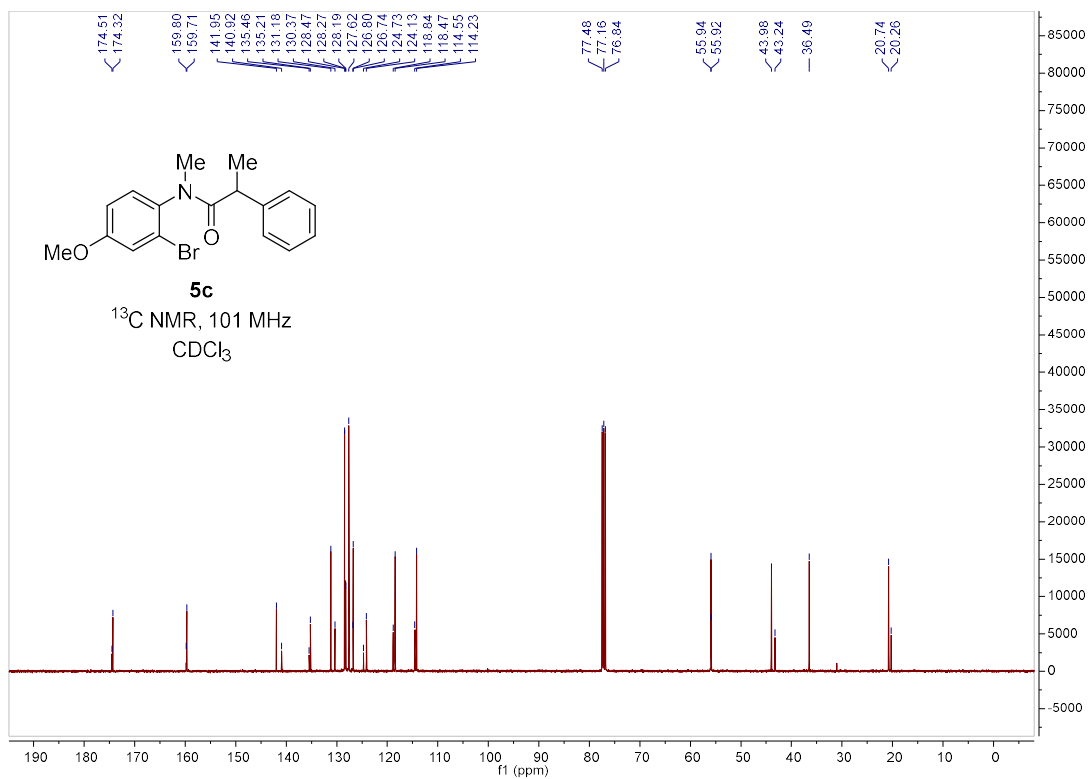


Figure S105. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5c**

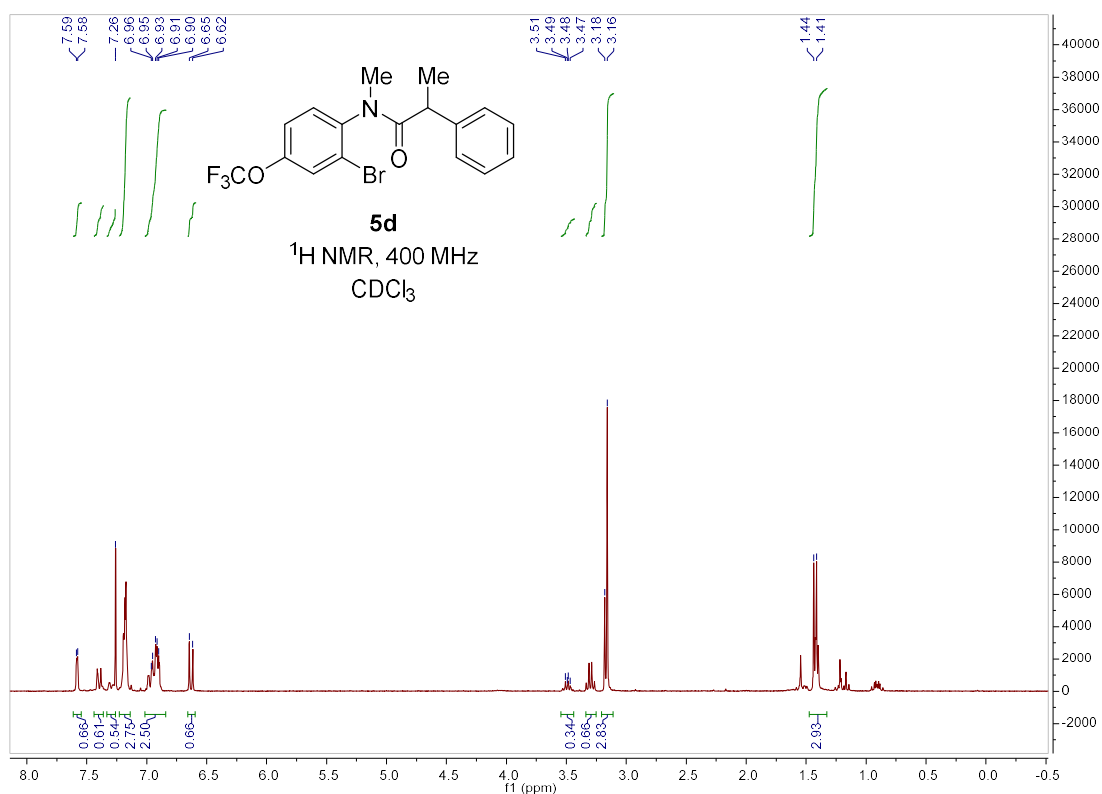


Figure S106. $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5d**

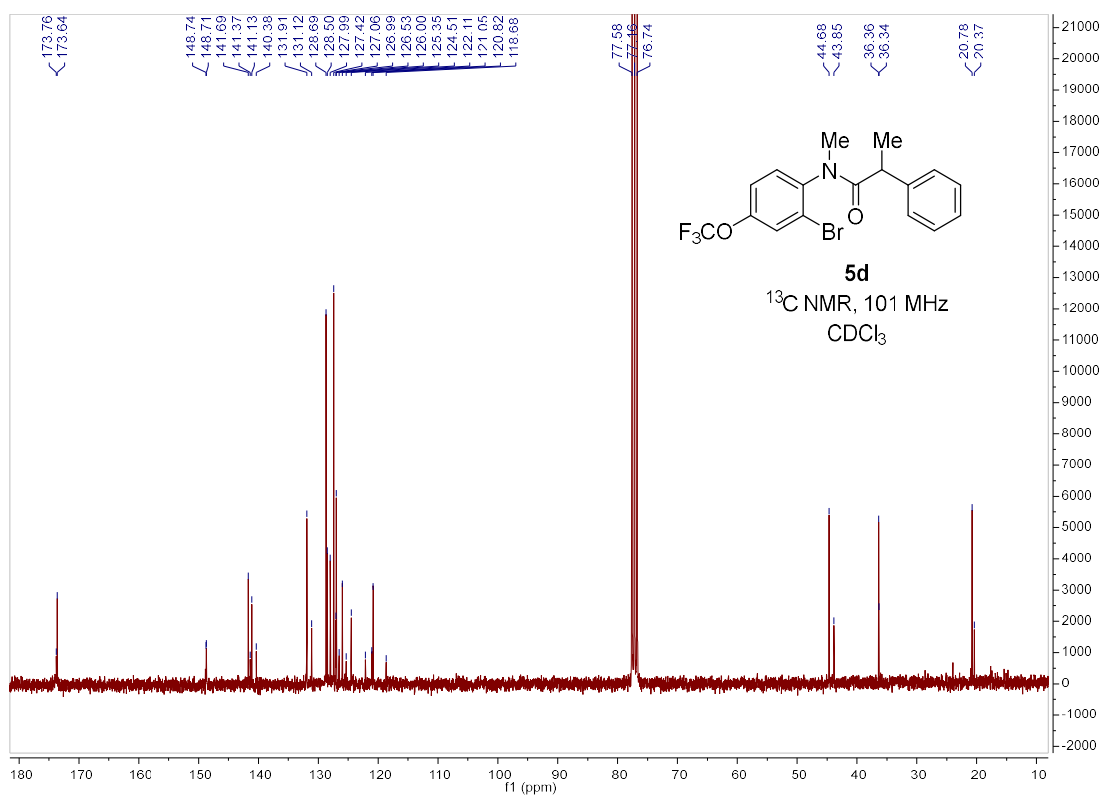


Figure S107. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5d**

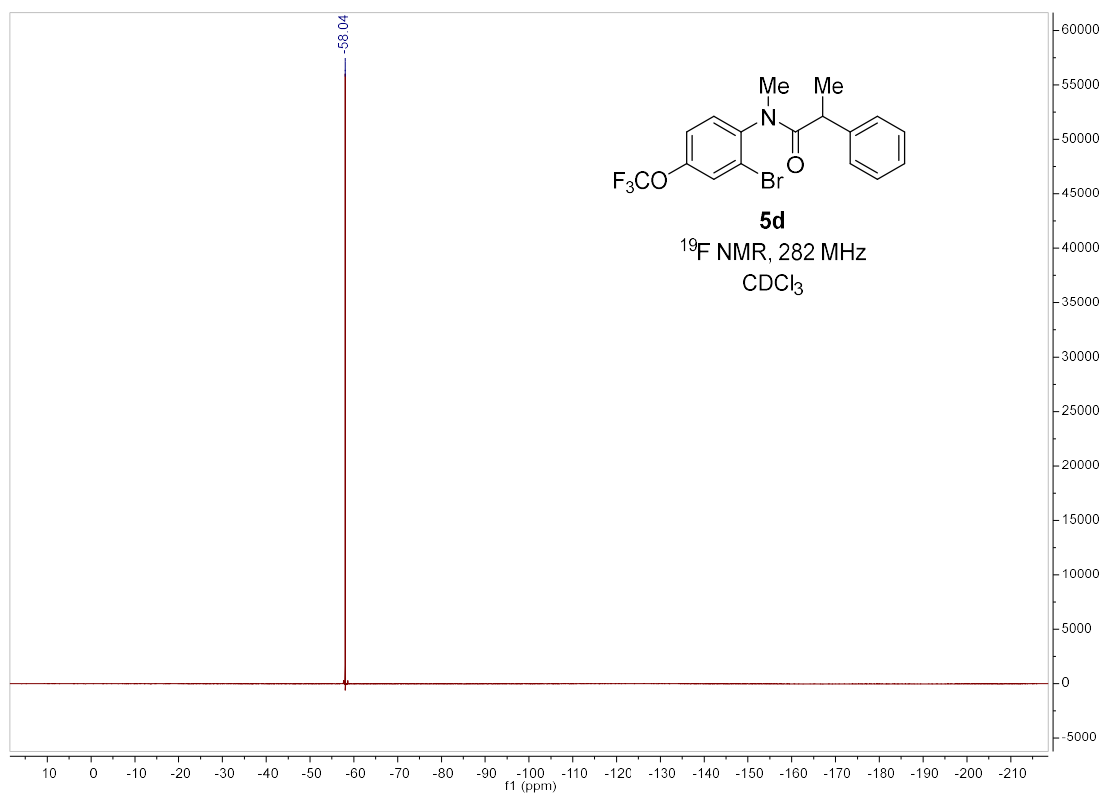


Figure S108. $^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (282 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5d**

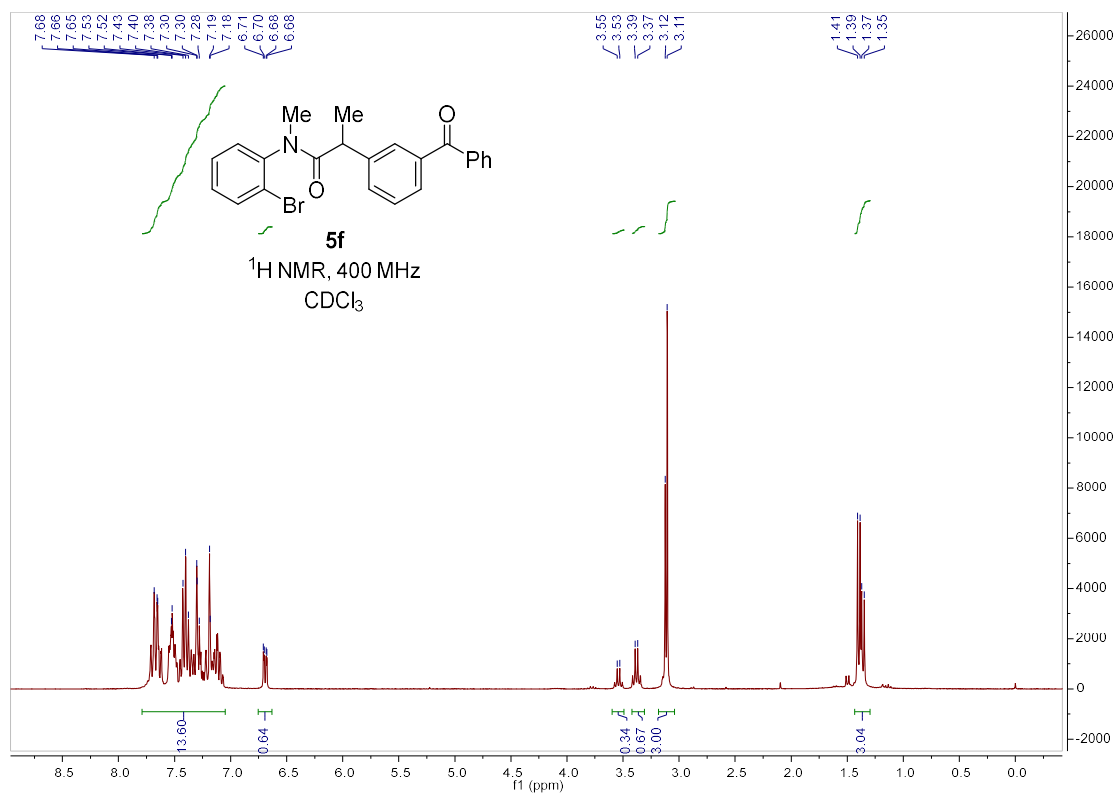


Figure S109. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5f**

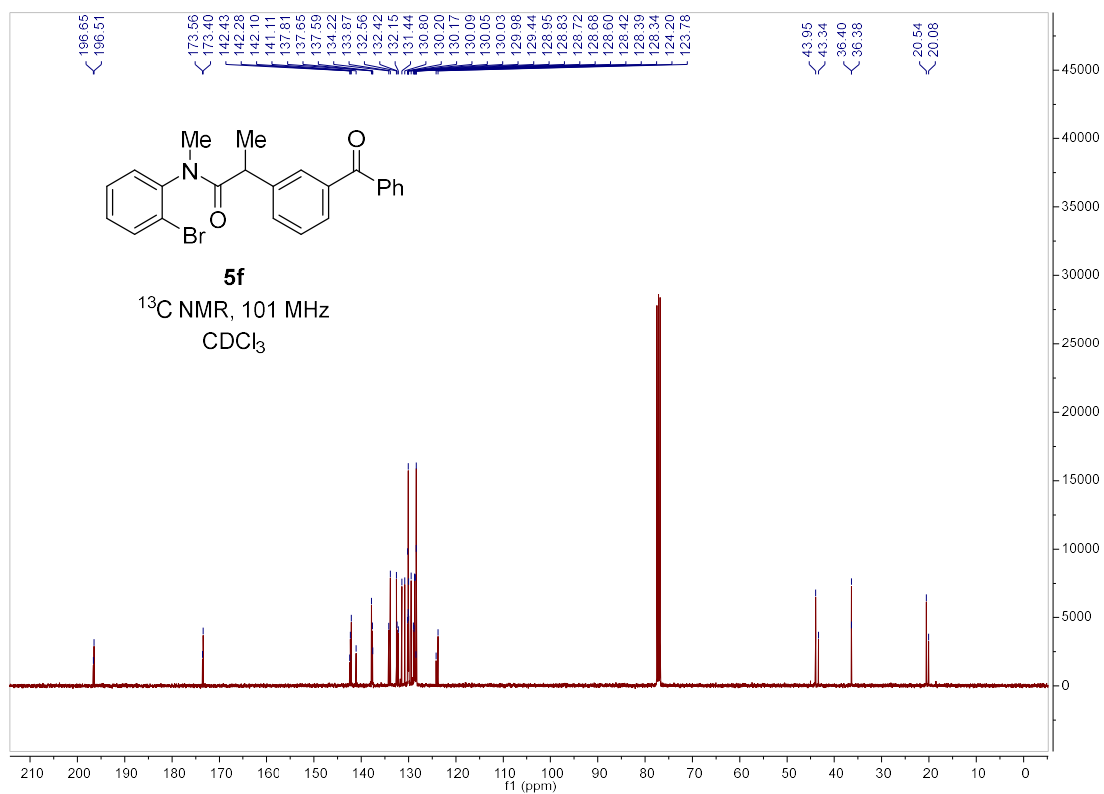


Figure S110. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5f**

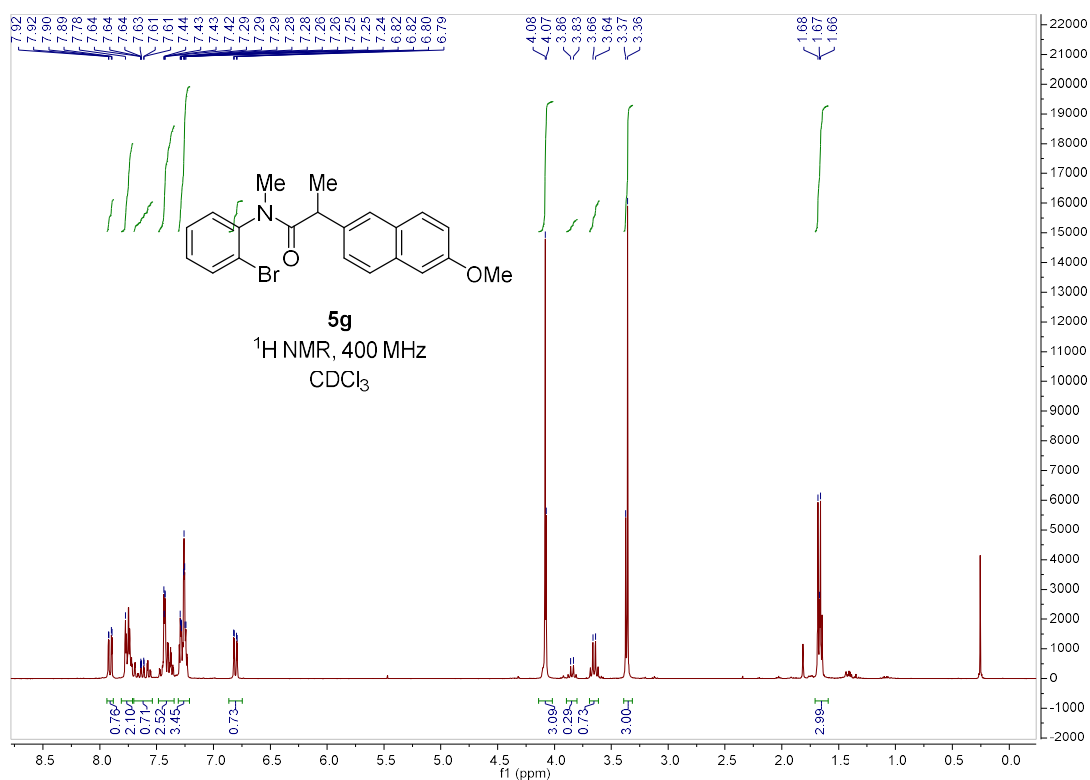


Figure S111. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5g**

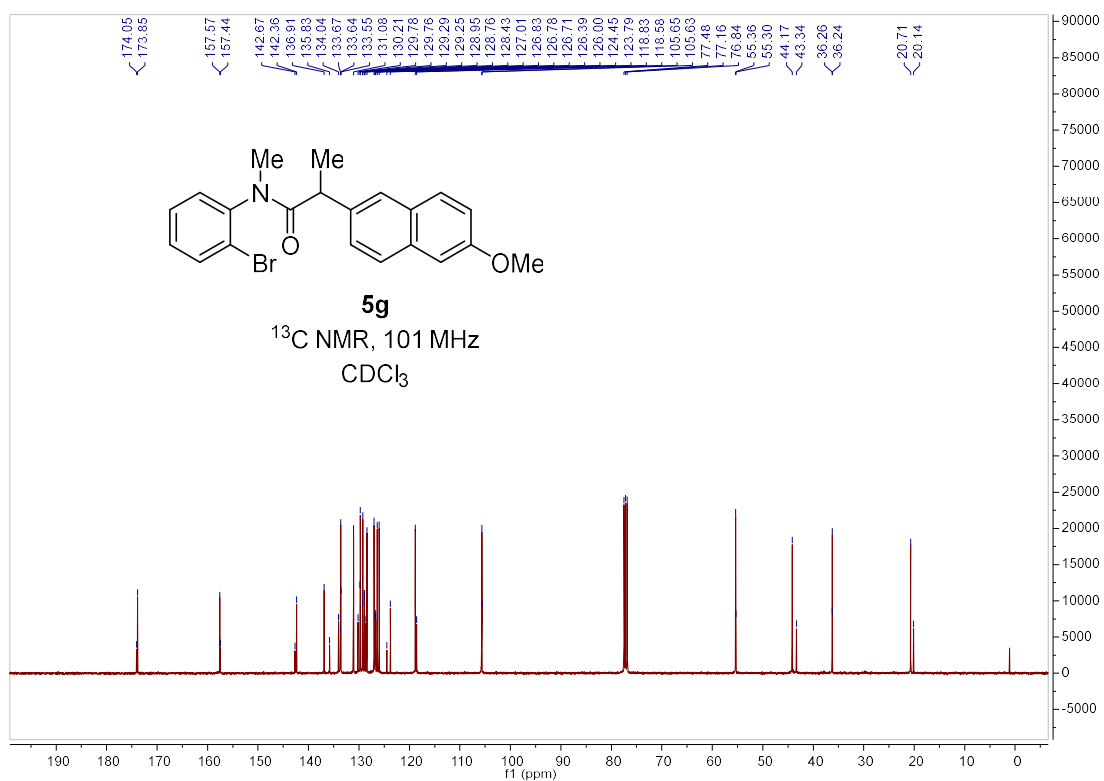


Figure S112. ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of substrate **5g**

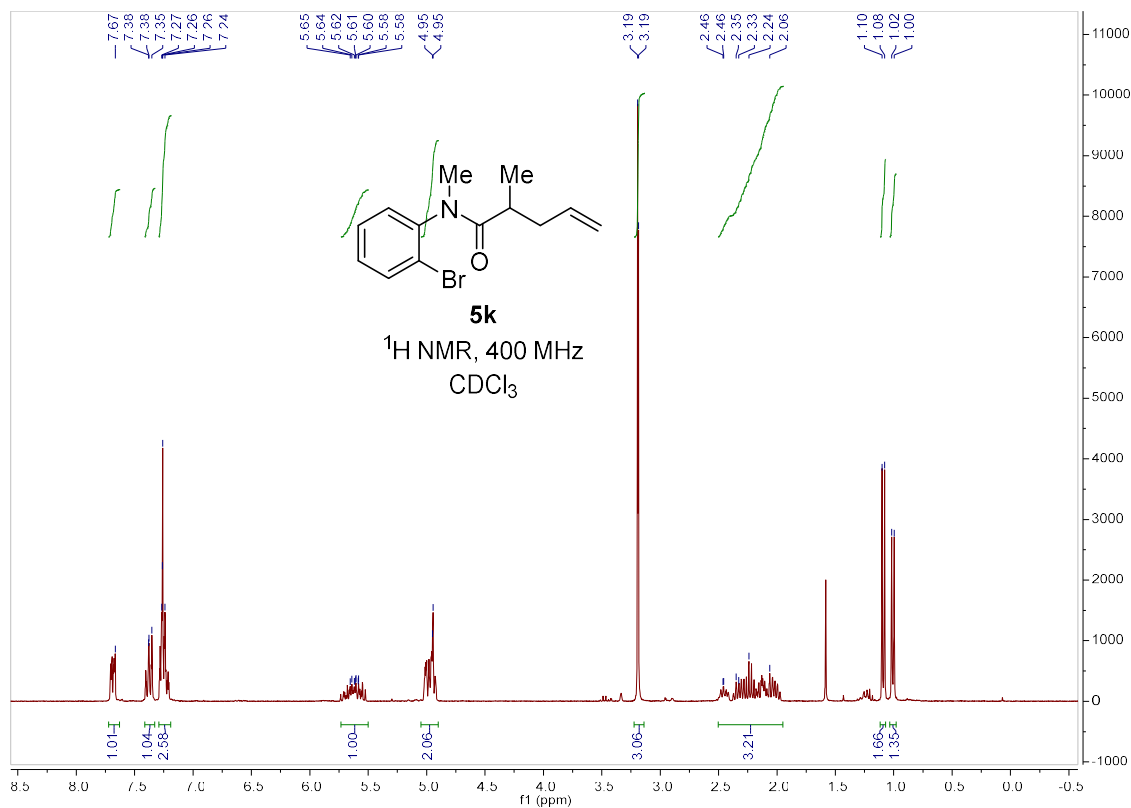


Figure S113. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of substrate **5k**

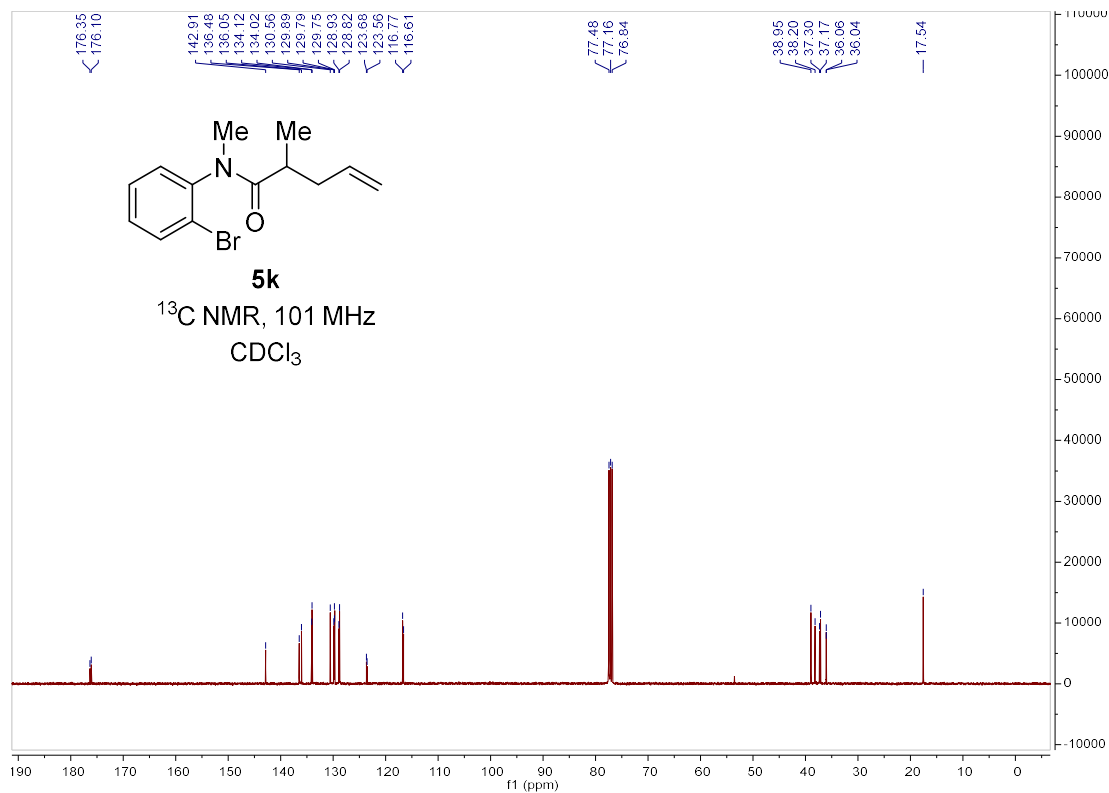


Figure S114. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of substrate **5k**

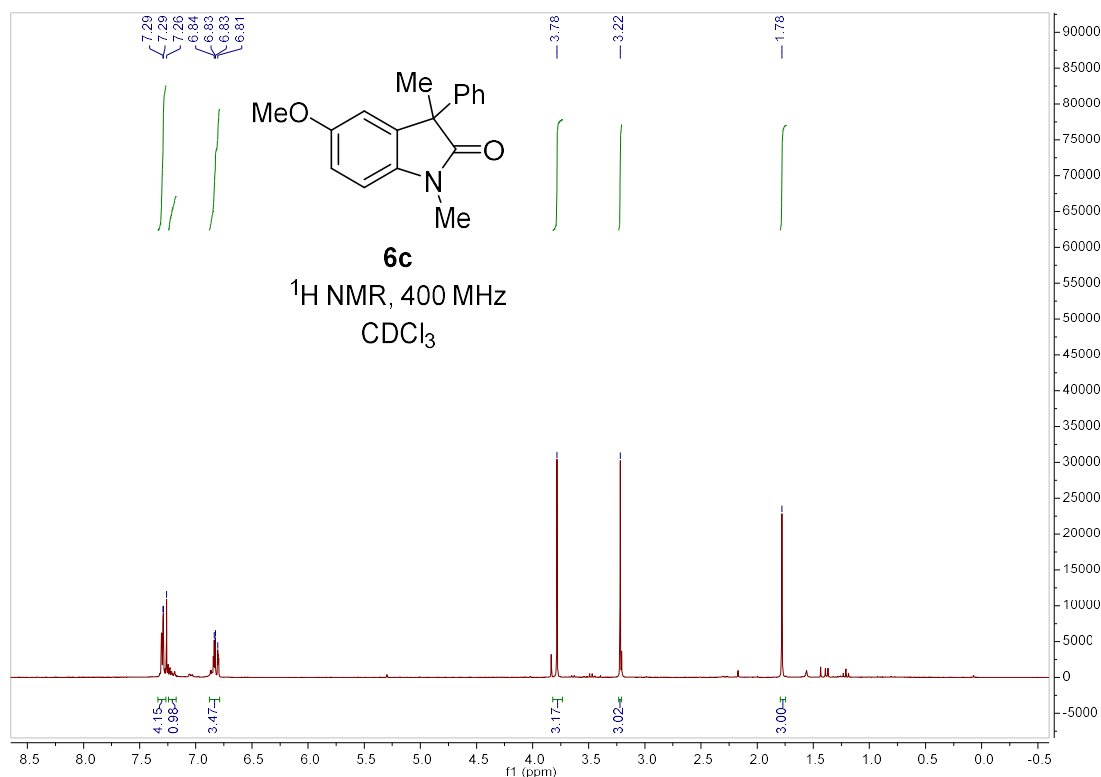


Figure S115. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of product **6c**

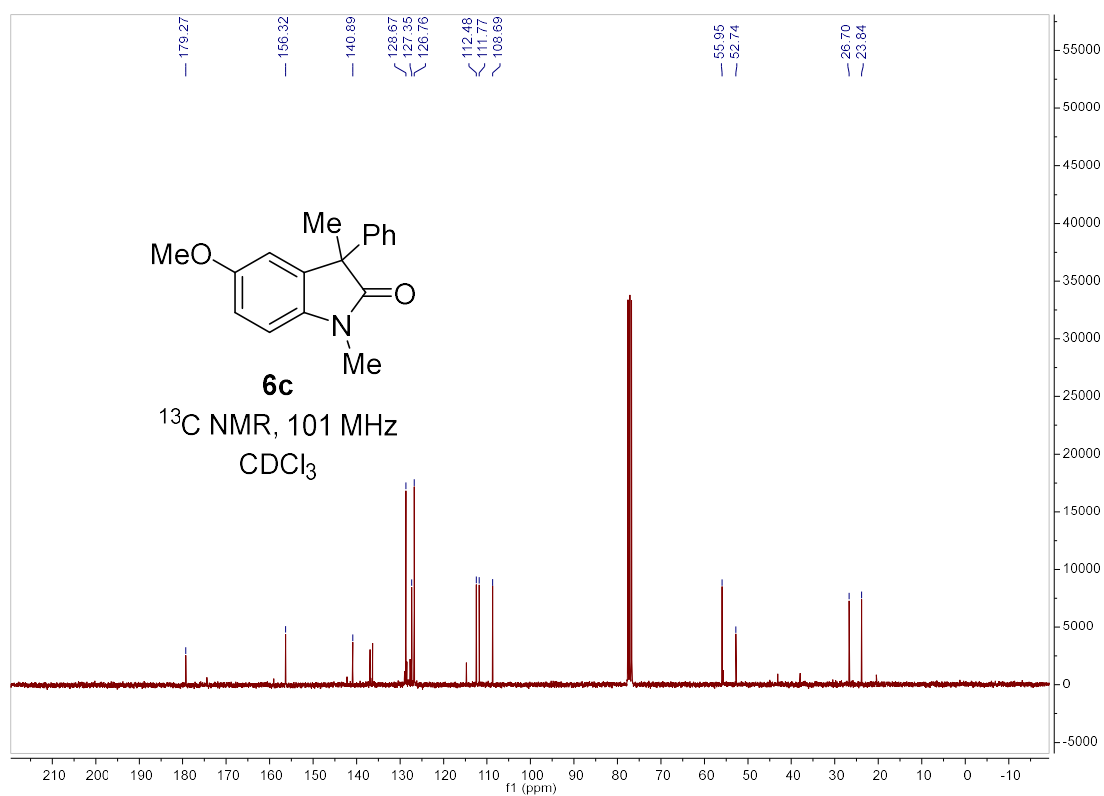


Figure S116. ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of product **6c**

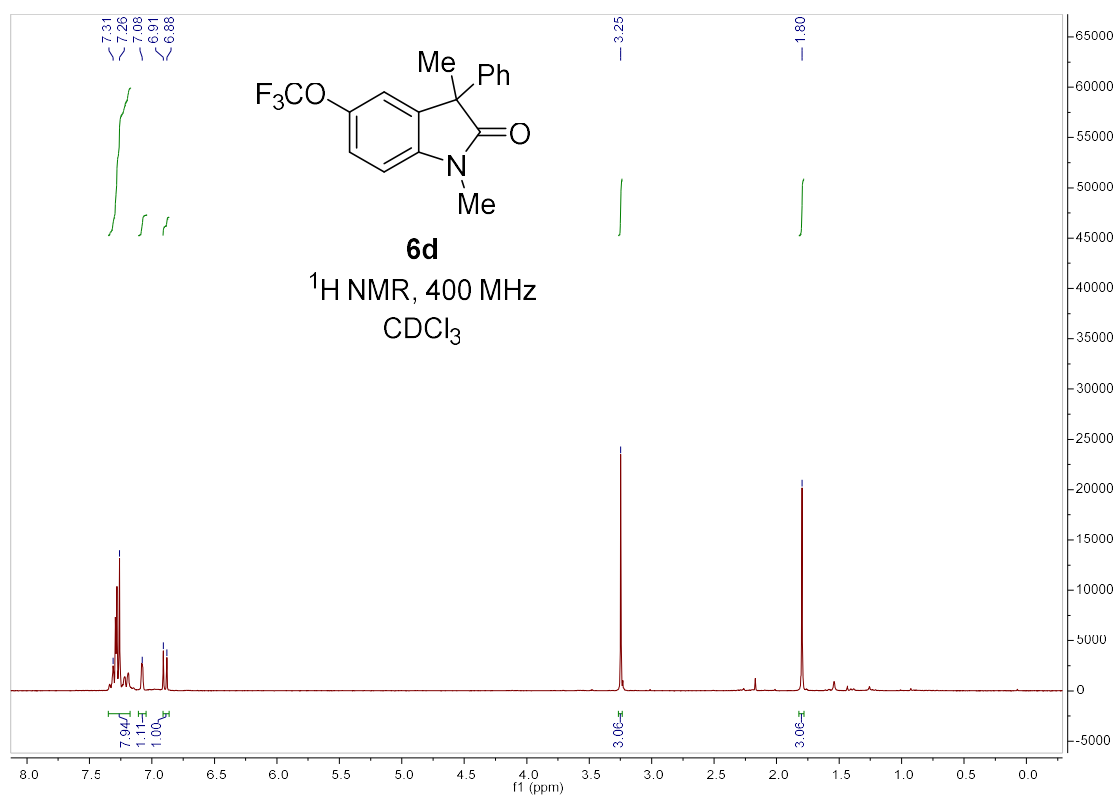


Figure S117. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of product **6d**

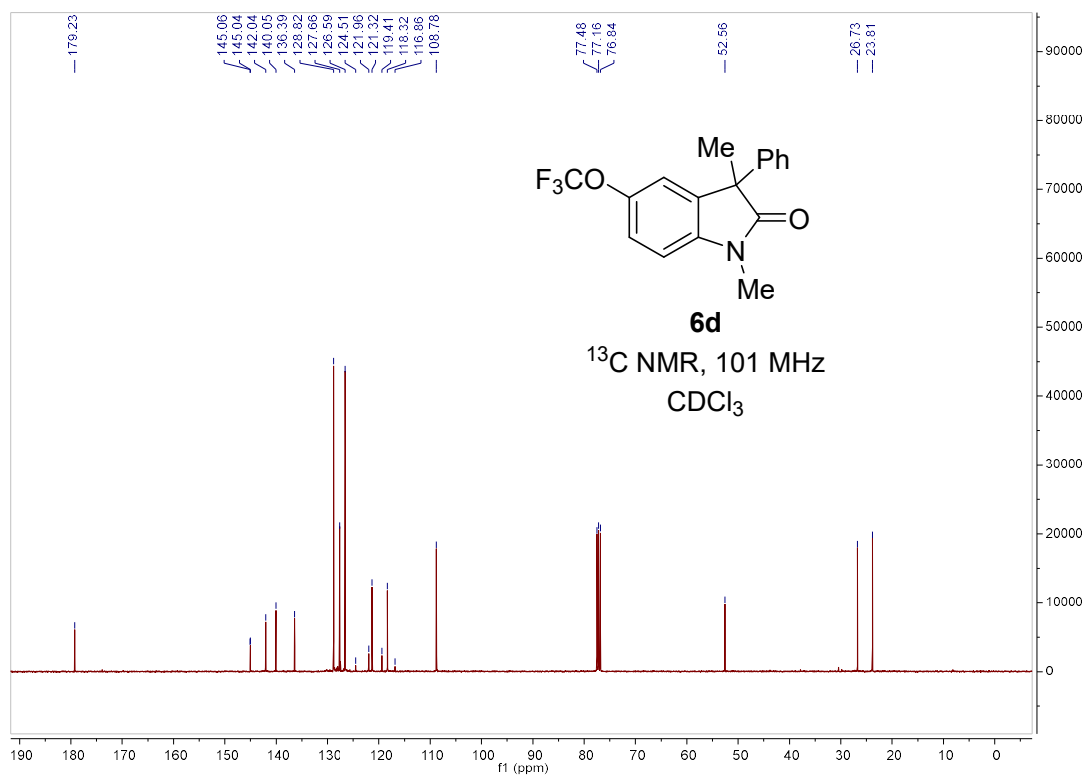


Figure S118. ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of product **6d**

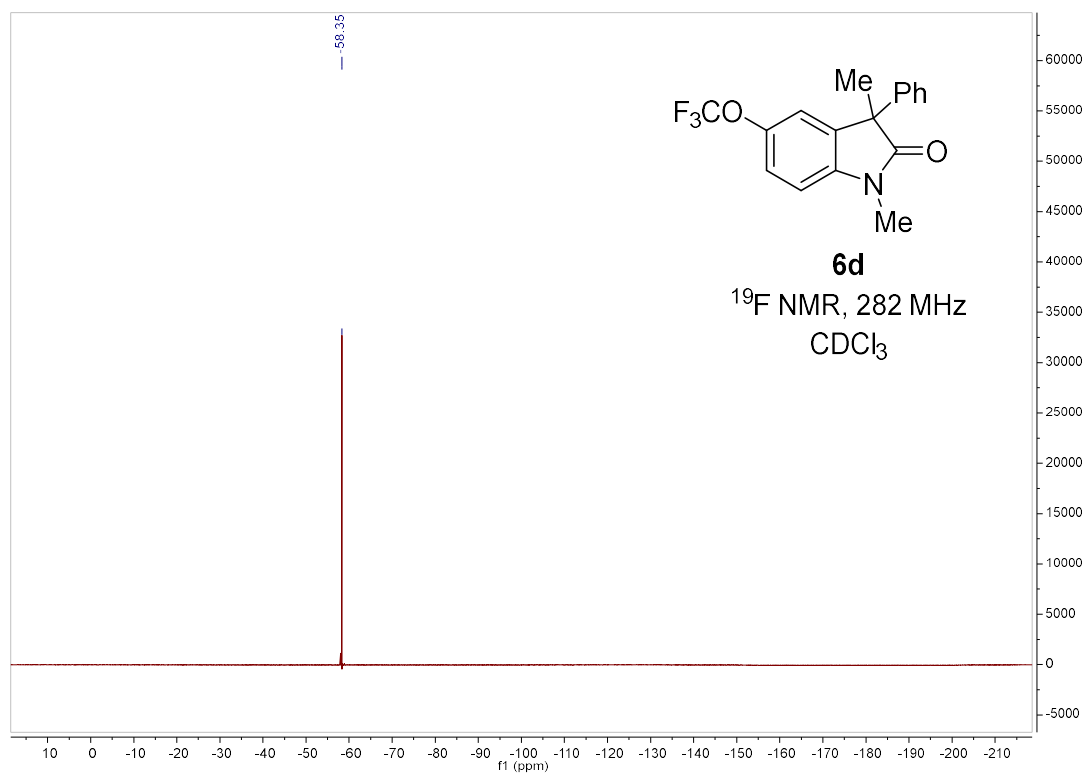


Figure S119. ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectrum (282 MHz, CDCl₃) of product **6d**

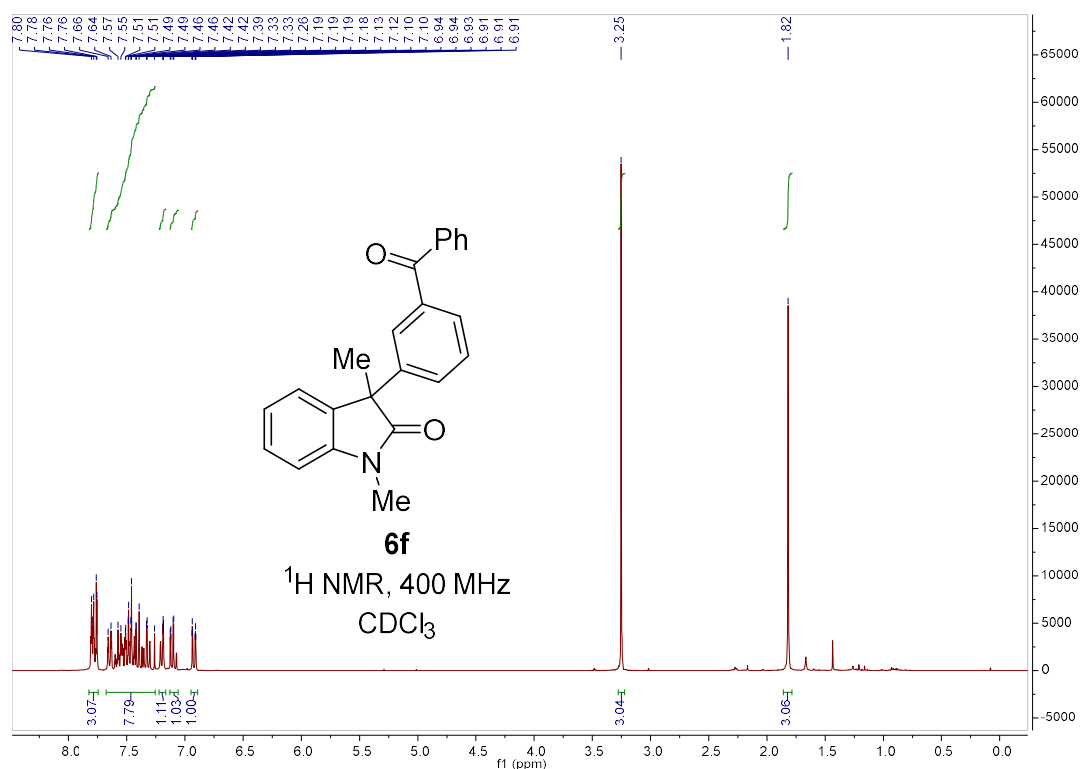


Figure S120. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of product **6f**

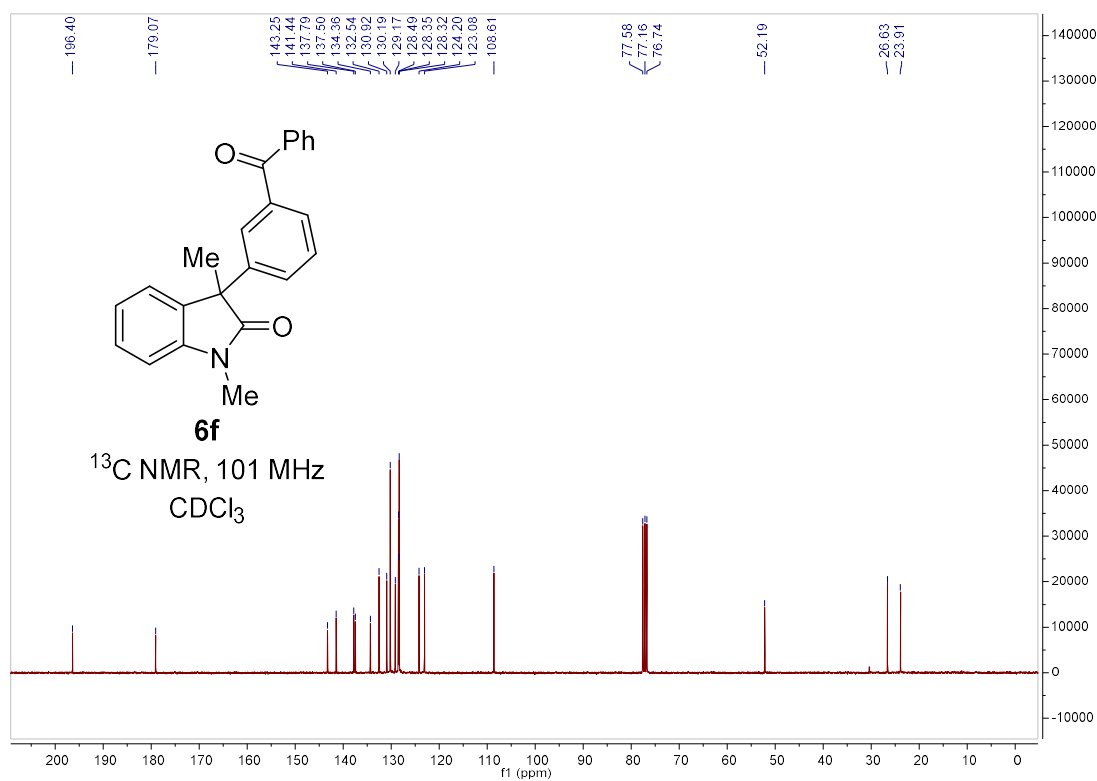


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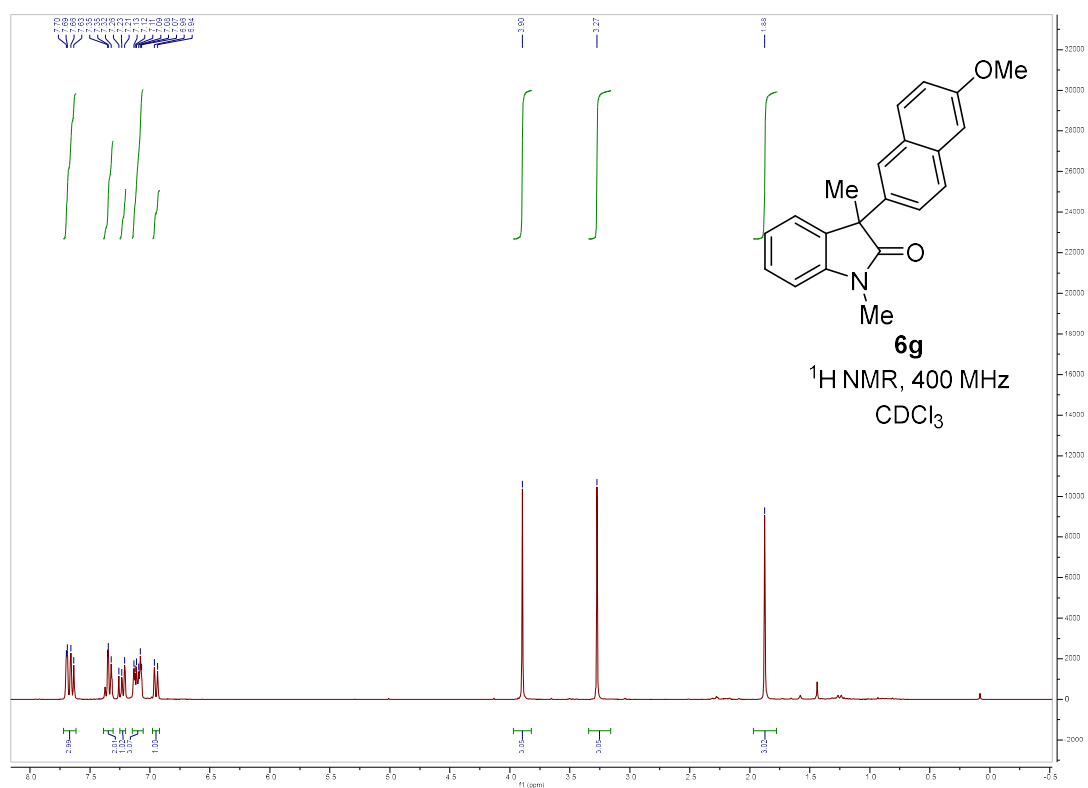


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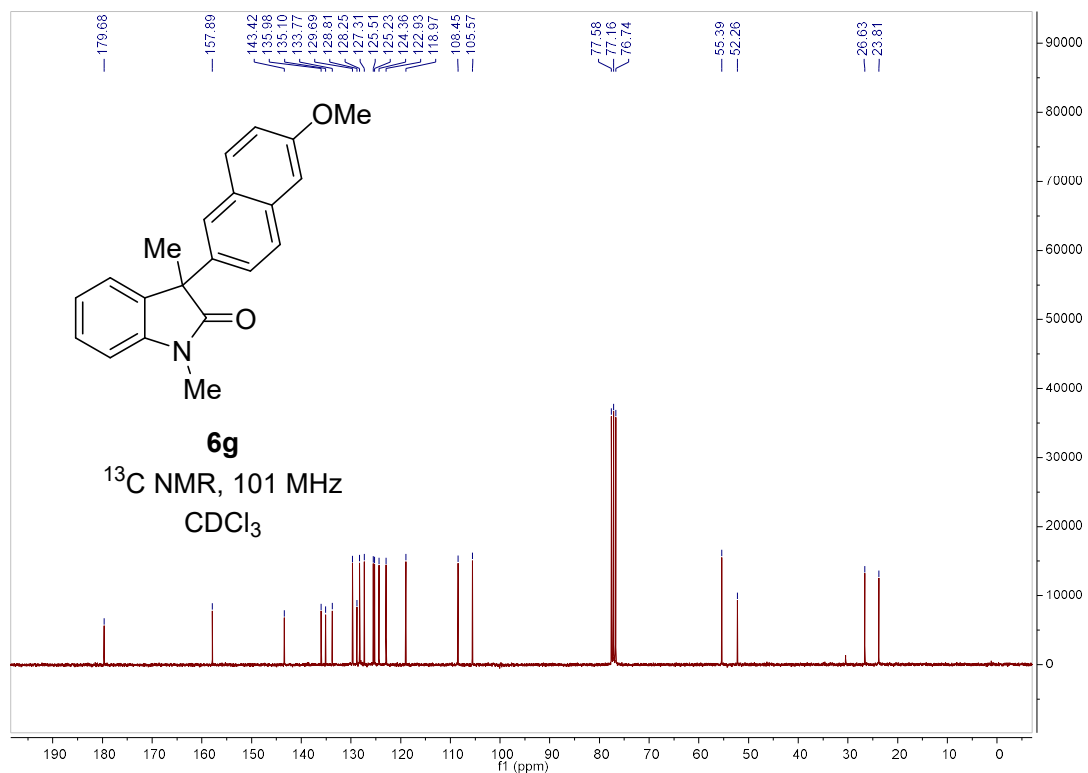


Figure S123. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of product **6g**

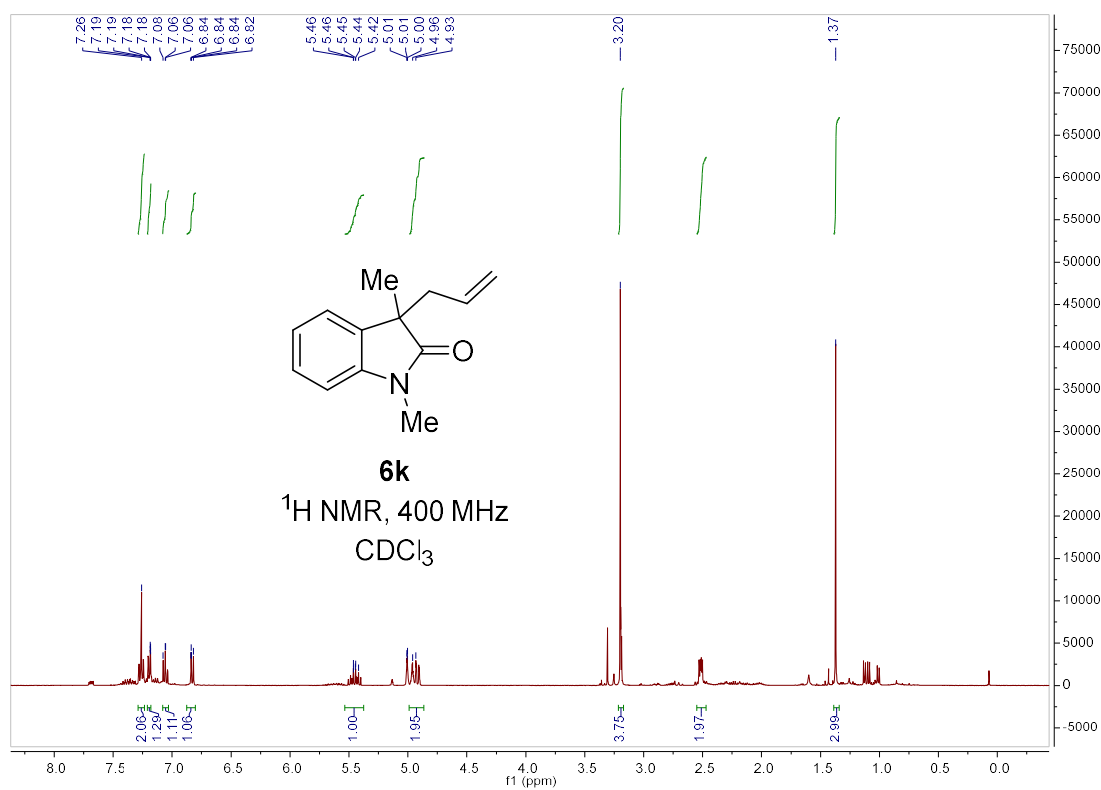


Figure S124. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of product **6k**

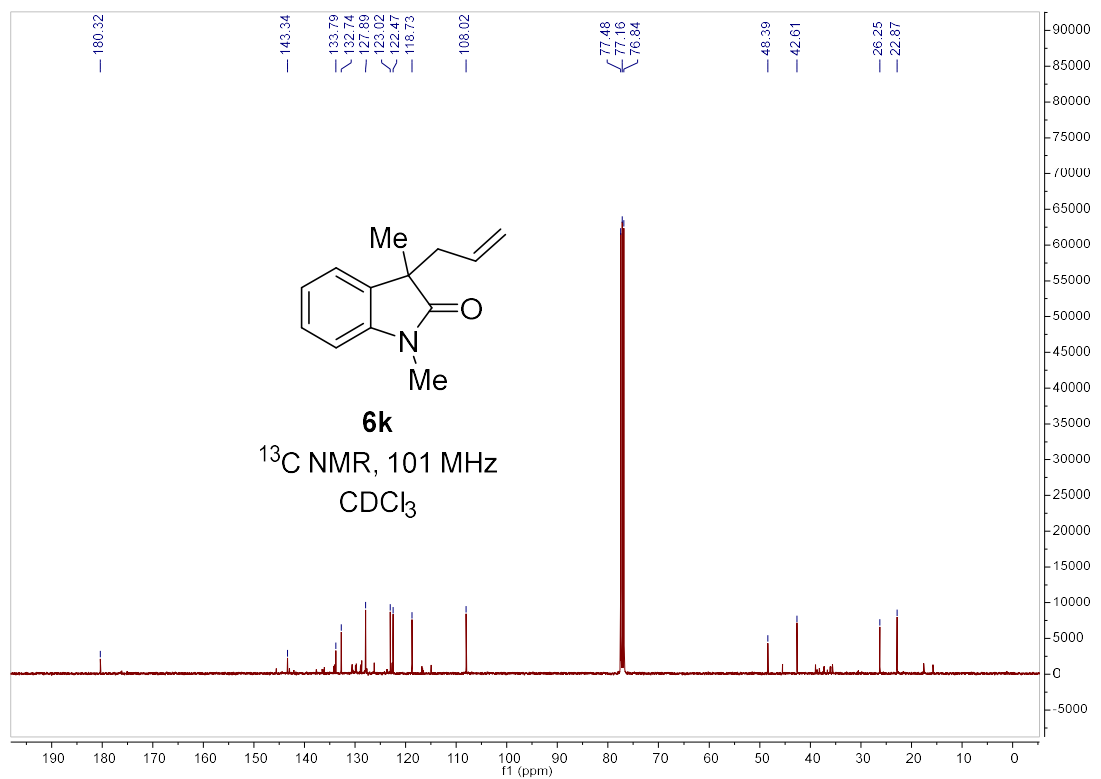


Figure S125. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of product **6k**