

# Supplementary Information

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## Halide-free deep eutectic solvents constructed from natural compounds for converting carbon dioxide to cyclic carbonate

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## Experimental section

### Materials and Chemicals

Betaine (Bet), glycerol (Gly), L-carnitine (Lca), citric acid (CA), glycolic acid (Ga), styrene oxide (SO), propylene oxide (PO), epichlorohydrin, epibromohydrin, 1,2-epoxybutane, (2,3-epoxypropyl)-benzene, isobutylene oxide, 2-(chloromethyl)-2-methyloxirane, tert-butyl glycidyl ether, butyl glycidyl ether, glycidyl phenyl ether, allyl glycidyl ether, furfuryl glycidyl ether, glycidyl methacrylate and cyclohexene oxide were purchased from Aladdin Reagent and used without further purification.  $\text{CO}_2$  (99.999%) is supplied by

### *Instrumentations*

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature using a Bruker Avance III 400 spectrometer (<sup>1</sup>H NMR 400 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C NMR 126 MHz). Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FT-IR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Alpha spectrometer. Thermogravimetric analyses (TGA) were carried out with a PerkinElmer Pyris 1 TGA under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere with the 20 °C/min heating rate ranging from 30 °C to 600 °C.

### *Synthesis of DESs*

All DESs in this article were prepared according to the methods described in the literature.<sup>1</sup> Betaine (Bet) and glycerol (Gly) are added in a molar ratio of one to two to a round bottom flask, stirred magnetically at 80 °C for one hour until a uniform transparent liquid was formed, then cooled to room temperature and dried under vacuum at 60 °C for 24 hours to obtain Bet/Gly natural deep eutectic solvent. Other DESs including Bet/Ga, Bet/CA, Lca/Ga, Lca/Gly and Lca/CA were prepared using the same steps as above.

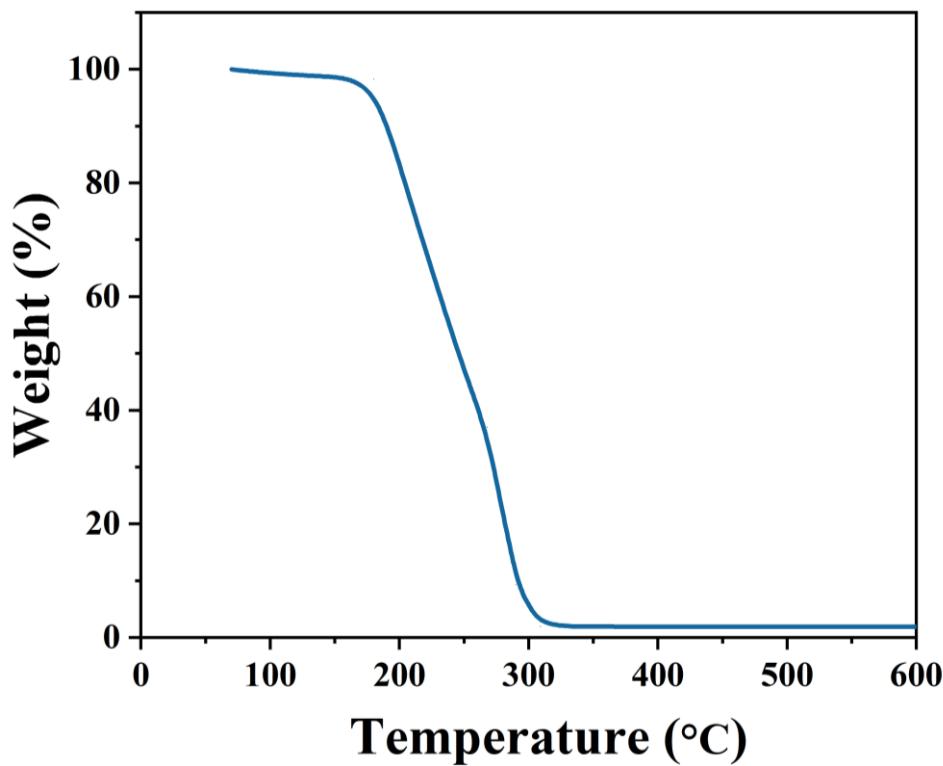
### *Cycloaddition reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> catalyzed by DESs*

The cycloaddition reaction between CO<sub>2</sub> and styrene oxide (SO) was taken as the model reaction. Typically, 37.5 mmol SO and 0.6 mol% DESs catalyst were put into stainless steel high-pressure autoclave equipped with stirring. The reactor was purged three times with CO<sub>2</sub>, filled with 1.0 MPa CO<sub>2</sub> and sealed. The reaction solution was heated to 120 °C and stirred at 310 r·min<sup>-1</sup> for 6 h. After the reaction was completed, the high-pressure autoclave was cooled to room temperature and the remaining CO<sub>2</sub> was slowly discharged from the reactor. 20 μL of the reaction solution was taken out and dissolved in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. The yield and selectivity of styrene carbonate (SC) was assessed by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy of the crude mixture. For other epoxides, the cycloaddition reaction proceeds in a similar manner. The reaction products were

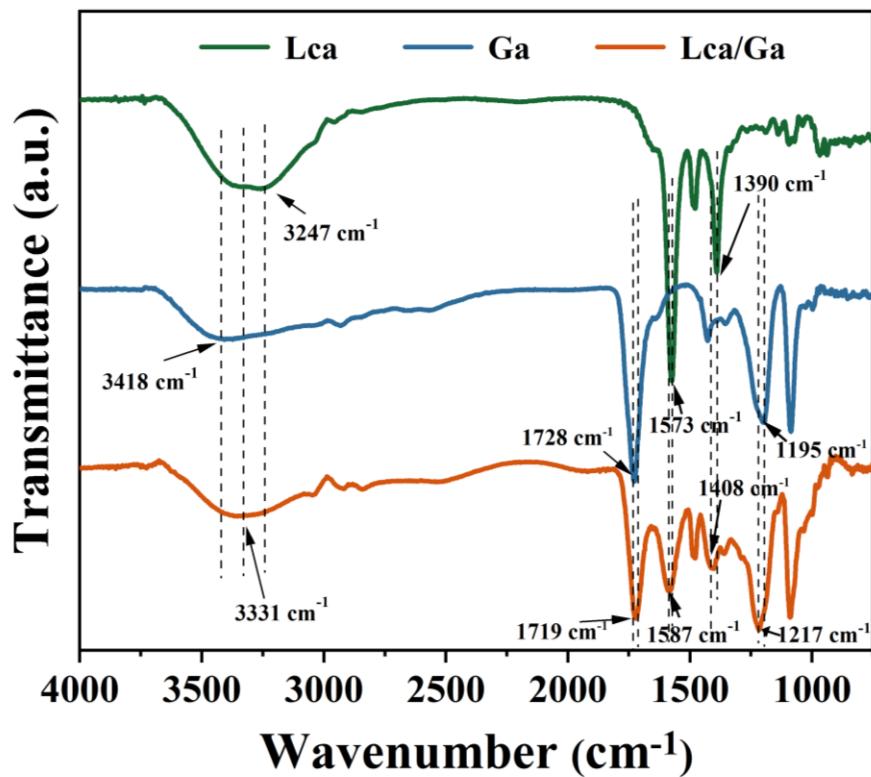
separated by column chromatography. Spectra of  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of cyclic carbonates were shown in the Figures S12-S49 in the supplementary information.

#### *Calculation details*

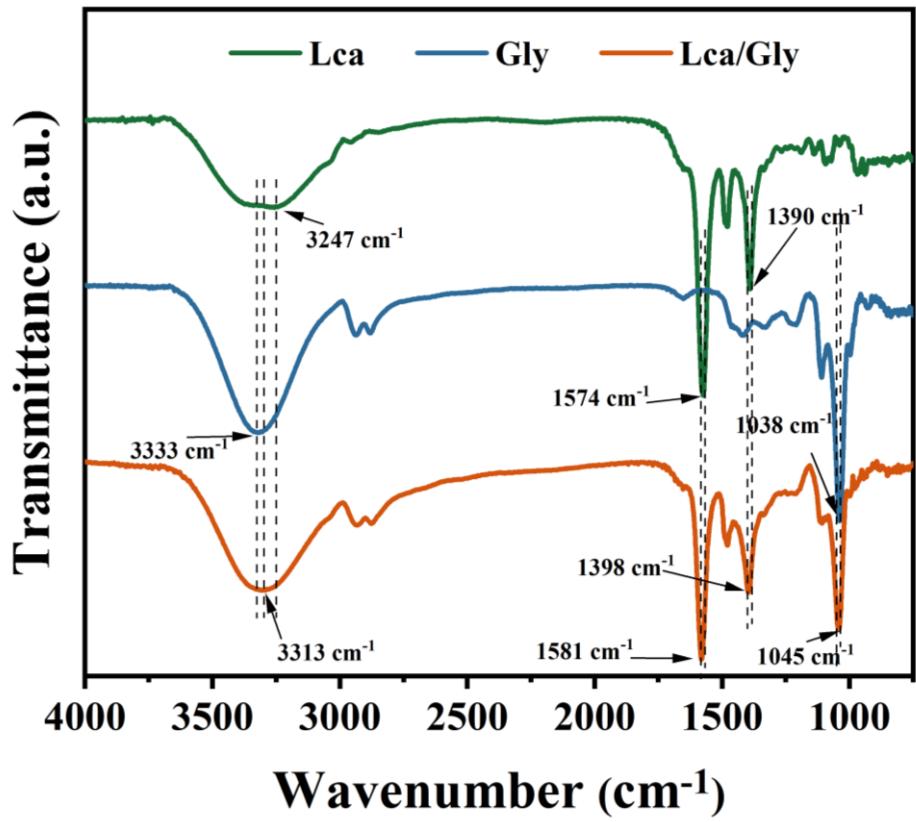
To study the mechanism of the cycloaddition reaction between  $\text{CO}_2$  and epoxide catalyzed by Bet/Gly DESs, the density functional theory (DFT) calculations at the M06-2X/Def2-TZVPP level employing propylene oxide (PO) as the substrate was carried out with the Gaussian 09 program package. For transition state geometries, intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations were carried out to confirm whether it is connected to reactants and products. Cartesian Coordinates of the Optimized Geometries can be found in the supplementary material. The natural bond orbital (NBO) analysis was calculated at the M06-2X/Def2-TZVPP level by using Gaussian 09 program package.



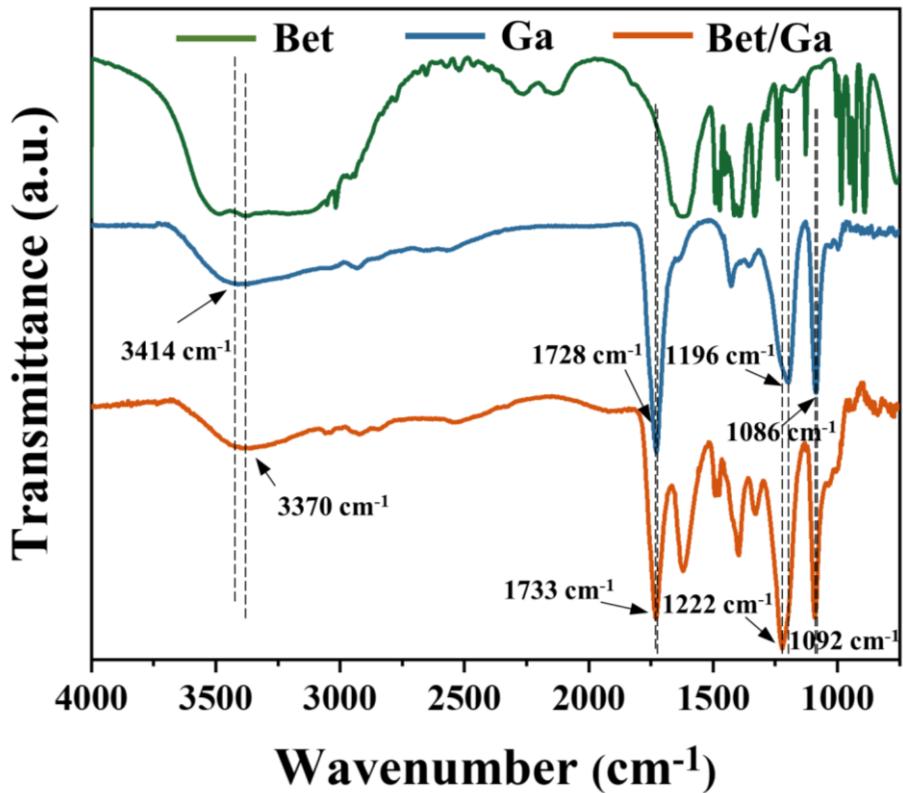
**Fig. S1.** TG curve of Bet/Gly DESs.



**Fig. S2.** FT-IR spectra of Lca, Ga and Lca/Ga.



**Fig. S3.** FT-IR spectra of Lca, Gly and Lca/Gly.



**Fig. S4.** FT-IR spectra of Bet, Ga and Bet/Ga.

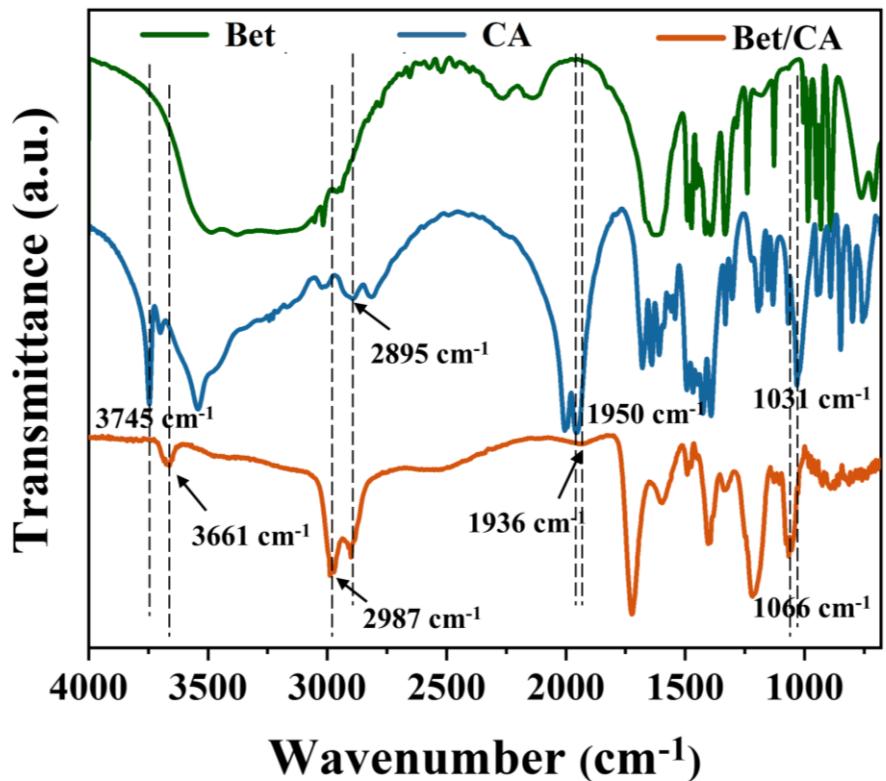


Fig. S5. FT-IR spectra of Bet, CA and Bet/CA.

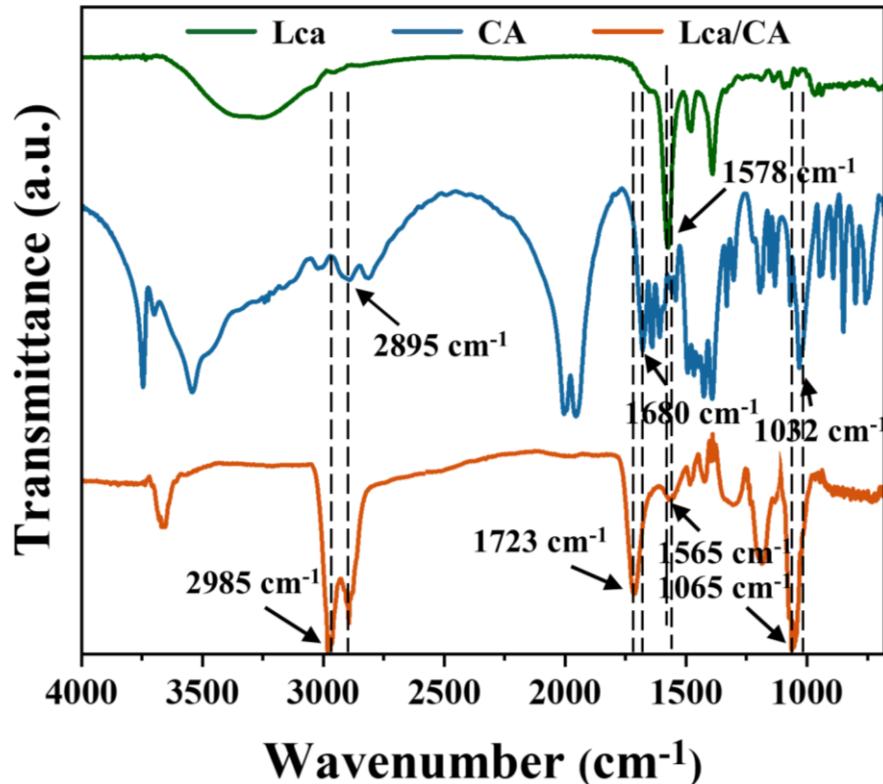
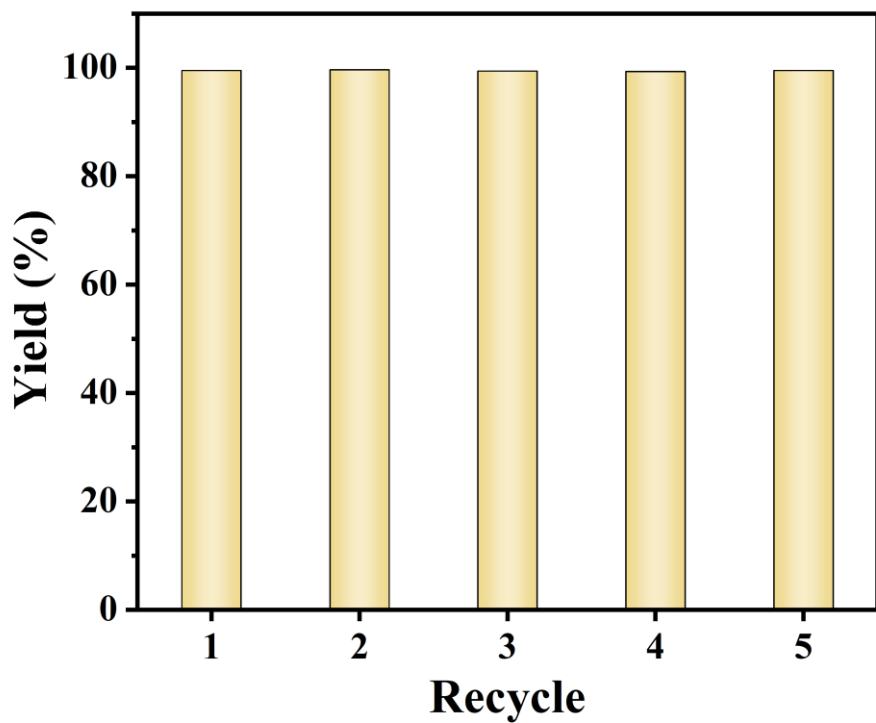
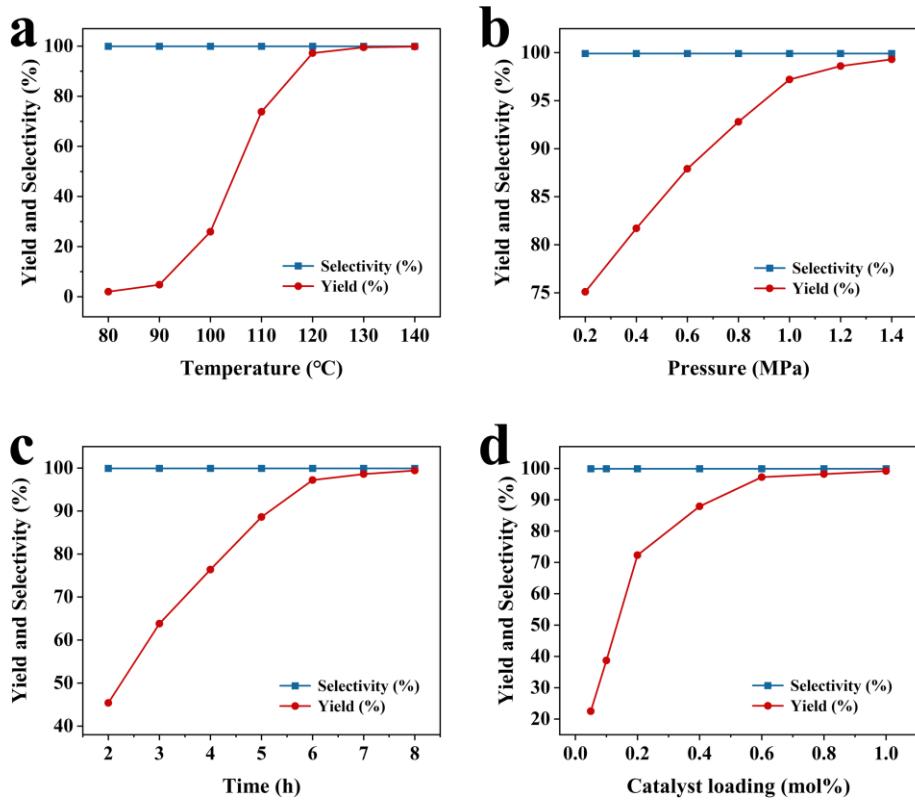
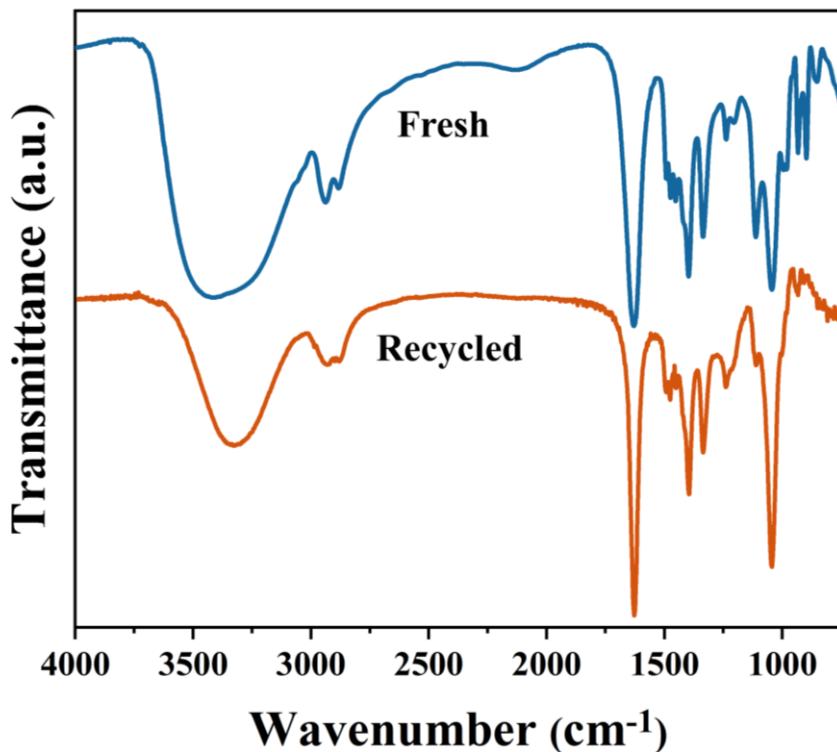
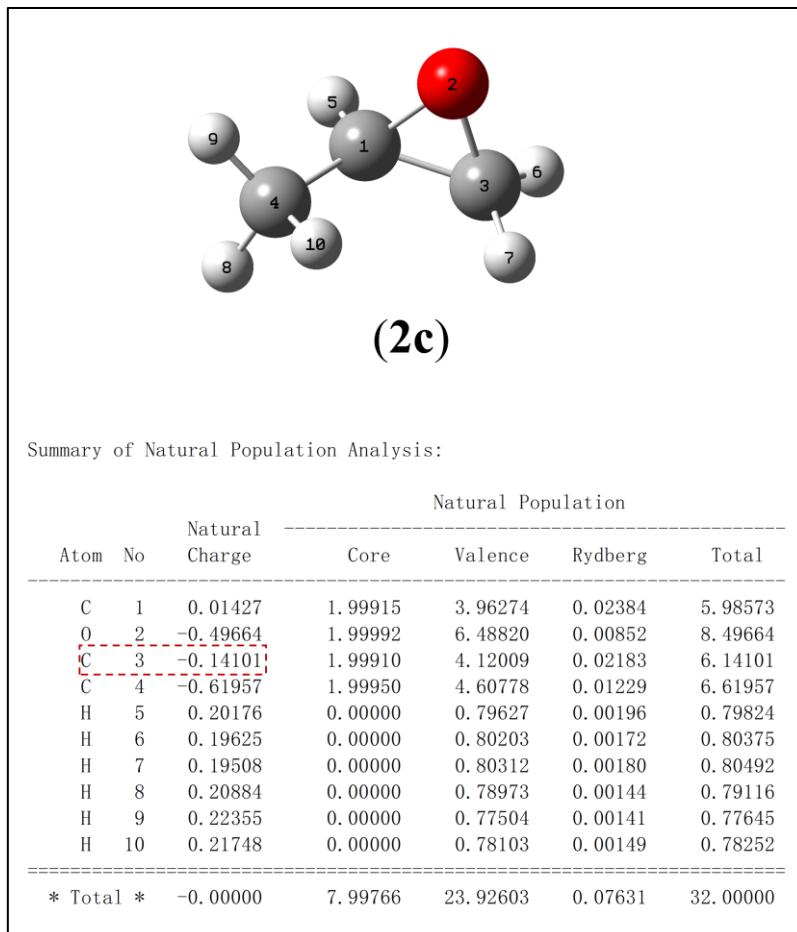


Fig. S6. FT-IR spectra of Lca, CA and Lca/CA.

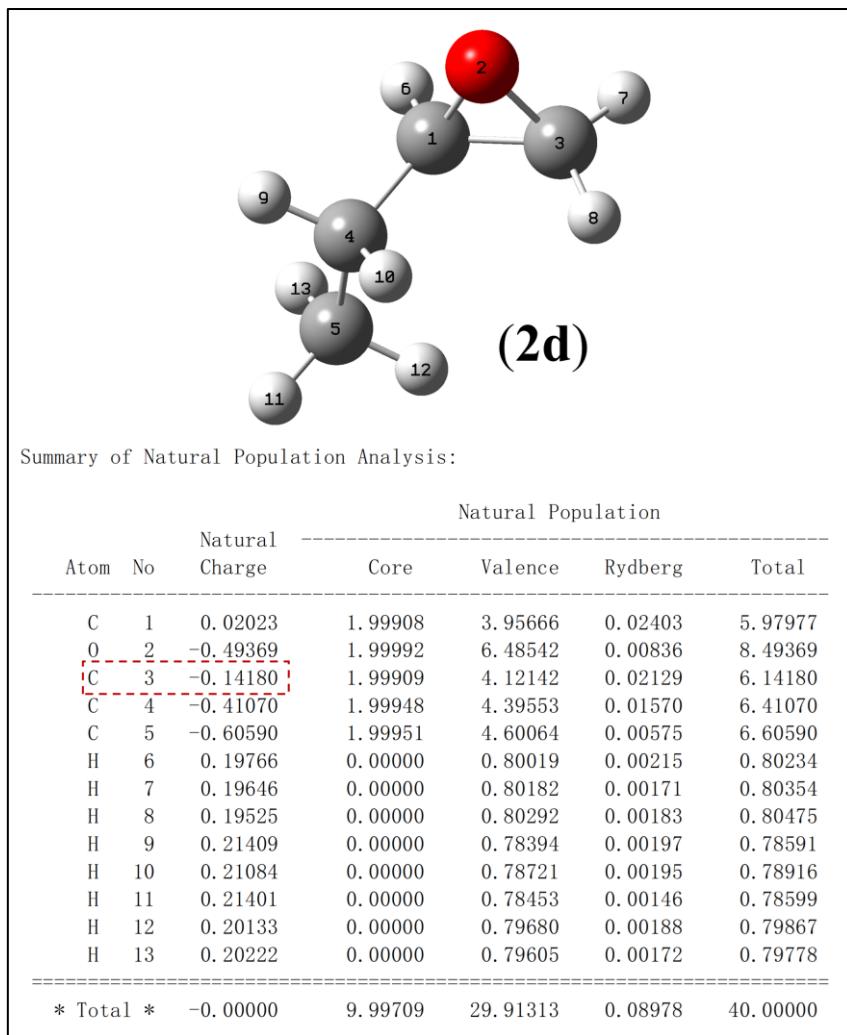




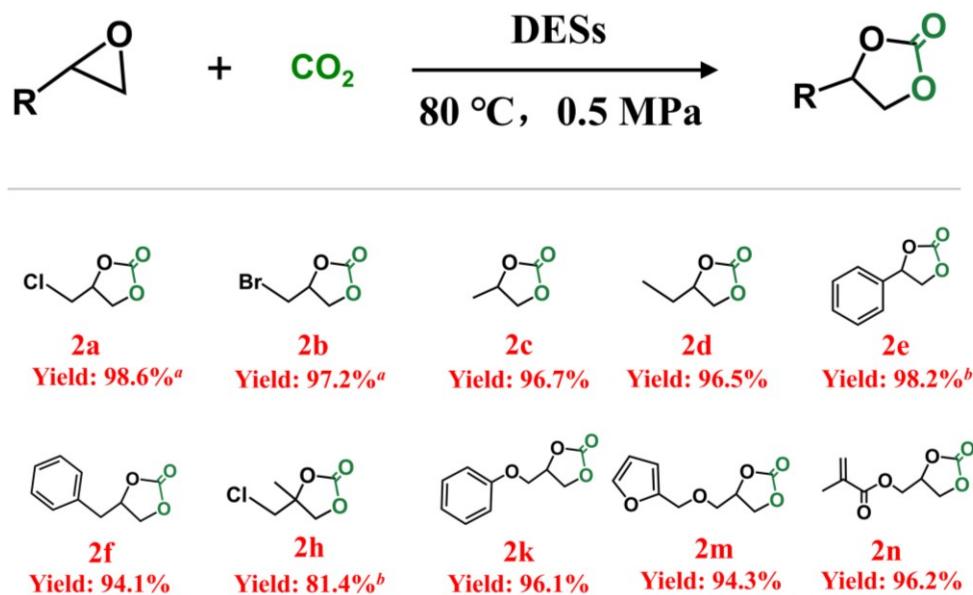
**Fig. S9** FT-IR spectra of fresh and recycled Bet/Gly DESs.



**Fig. S10** The NBO charge distribution of **2c** calculated at the M06-2X/Def2-TZVPP level with Gaussian 09.



**Fig. S11** The NBO charge distribution of **2d** calculated at the M06-2X/Def2-TZVPP level with Gaussian 09.



**Scheme S1** The cycloaddition of  $\text{CO}_2$  with various epoxides at  $80^\circ\text{C}$  and  $0.5 \text{ MPa}$ . Isolated yield of purified cyclic carbonate by column chromatography. Reaction conditions: 37.5 mmol epoxide,  $80^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $0.5 \text{ MPa}$   $\text{CO}_2$ , 6 h, 4 mol% Bet/Gly.  
<sup>a</sup>4 h. <sup>b</sup>12 h, 6 mol% Bet/Gly.

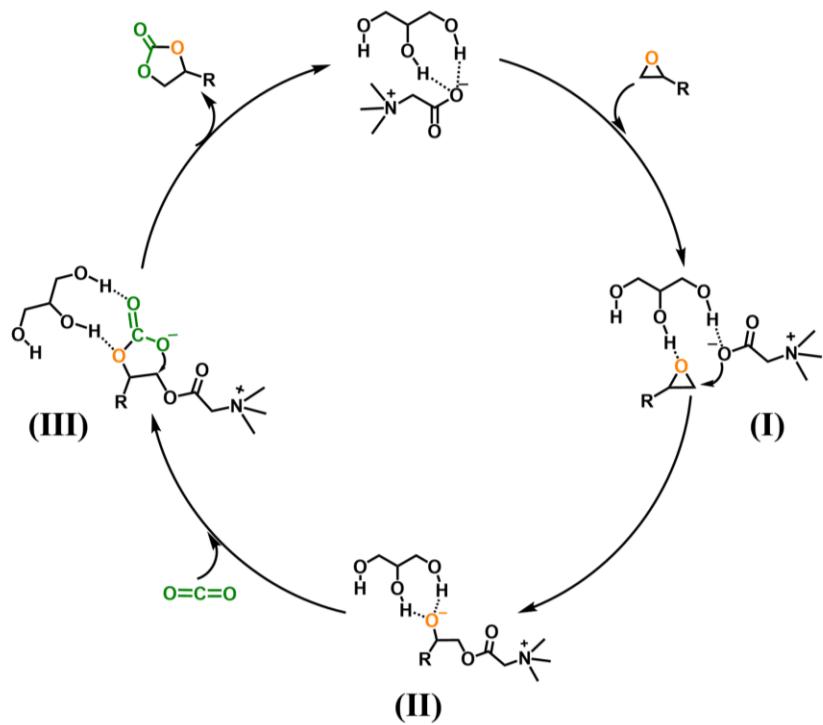
**Table S1.** The comparison of various halide-free catalytic systems for the cycloaddition of CO<sub>2</sub> and epoxides.

Entr y	Catalyst	Epoxid e	Temp . [°C]	Catalys		Pressur e [MPa]	Tim e [h]	Carbonat e yield [%]	TOF <sup>a</sup>	Ref .
				t loading [mol%]	l					
1	Sq-PhOH-p/t-BuP <sub>2</sub>		120	2.5	0.1	8	80.1	4.0	2	
2	[P <sub>4444</sub> ] [IsoNic]		120	2	2	12	96.9	4.0	3	
3	N,N'-Phenylenebis(5-tert-butylsalicylideneimine)		120	1	1	3.5	76	21.7	4	
4	[TEEDA]		120	0.1	1	10	97	97.0	5	
5	[N <sub>1888</sub> ][HYD]		120	10	2	6	88	1.5	6	
6	Carbodicarbene		100	5	2	12	92	1.5	7	
7	[n Bu <sub>4</sub> N] <sub>2</sub> [MoO <sub>4</sub> ]		120	2.5	3	9	99	4.4	8	
8	PPy · Sac		60	10	0.1	24	90	0.4	9	
9	(DBUH) <sub>3</sub> NbO <sub>5</sub>		130	3	3	5	90	6.1	10	
10	1-a-60/b-SBA-15		120	0.2	1.5	18	89	24.7	11	
11	Bet/Gly		120	0.3	1	0.5	99.1	645	This work	

<sup>a</sup>Turnover frequency (TOF) = moles of product/ (moles of catalyst × time).

**Table S2.** The apparent first-order rate constants  $k_{\text{obs}}$  for the cycloaddition at 1 MPa and different temperature.

T (°C)	90	100	110	120	130
$10^5 \cdot k_{\text{obs}} (\text{s}^{-1})$	0.32	2.04	8.08	20.82	52.65



**Scheme S2** The possible catalysis mechanism for the cycloaddition of  $\text{CO}_2$  with epoxides catalyzed by Bet/Gly.

## Cartesian Coordinates of the Optimized Geometries

R

N	0.64994	-2.34997	0.11434
C	0.3616	-0.87579	0.06591
C	0.4928	-2.86088	-1.27696
C	2.03822	-2.61699	0.58969
C	-0.34685	-3.01599	1.00503
C	0.30558	-0.14117	1.42157
O	0.84132	-0.63227	2.40955
O	-0.31572	0.95754	1.32361
H	-0.61762	-0.79319	-0.41307
H	1.13852	-0.4174	-0.56302
H	0.67627	-3.94247	-1.27873
H	-0.5253	-2.62596	-1.61624
H	1.22947	-2.34886	-1.90834
H	2.12633	-2.20161	1.59843
H	2.72881	-2.11666	-0.10022

H	2.19988	-3.70245	0.5829
H	-1.3475	-2.67931	0.70393
H	-0.23387	-4.10212	0.901
H	-0.14725	-2.68983	2.03068
C	-3.01375	1.34128	-0.25699
C	-3.57747	-0.96623	-1.15631
O	-1.72433	1.34299	-0.82133
O	-2.65871	-0.69934	1.01932
O	-2.34351	-1.1161	-1.81921
H	-1.94056	-0.22919	-1.84802
H	-2.16479	-0.02851	1.51741
H	-1.09532	1.18377	-0.05333
H	-3.0314	1.9607	0.65935
H	-3.71397	1.79974	-0.97402
H	-3.9103	-1.96787	-0.84314
H	-4.34904	-0.55901	-1.83713
O	3.18892	-0.20491	-1.30499
C	3.91723	0.6789	-0.462
C	3.42275	1.11213	-1.77537
C	3.25083	1.11117	0.81317
H	4.98033	0.41709	-0.39131
H	3.19022	0.28834	1.53989
H	2.23129	1.47349	0.62074
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H	4.10868	1.1855	-2.62488
C	-3.49847	-0.07062	0.07643
H	-4.52745	0.02058	0.47855
C	-0.18563	3.41022	0.13309
O	0.74073	3.09125	-0.48645
O	-1.0932	3.7858	0.74027

## Int1

N	-2.08399	1.82582	-0.07369
C	-2.49404	0.49488	0.48151
C	-2.14049	2.80584	1.04853
C	-0.67058	1.78928	-0.59207
C	-3.00741	2.26099	-1.1614
C	-2.36237	-0.66122	-0.498
O	-2.50918	-1.80823	0.15898
O	-2.25568	-0.54122	-1.68776
H	-3.53411	0.58071	0.83074
H	-1.82911	0.27294	1.32174

H	-1.85799	3.79204	0.66288
H	-3.16186	2.83424	1.44665
H	-1.4343	2.48016	1.8201
H	-0.41812	2.81212	-0.89827
H	-0.60016	1.09774	-1.43935
H	-0.00746	1.44408	0.21105
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H	-2.69177	3.25518	-1.49886
H	-2.94286	1.53424	-1.97583
C	3.96444	1.04189	-0.82999
C	2.17929	-0.3218	-1.99588
O	4.20703	1.88027	0.26557
O	2.06197	0.33167	0.34917
O	0.81116	-0.50122	-2.2298
H	0.39571	-0.79148	-1.37591
H	1.27966	-0.31928	0.29737
H	3.66729	1.50534	0.97598
H	4.31757	1.55122	-1.73992
H	4.51742	0.08484	-0.73931
H	2.64828	-0.01159	-2.9449
H	2.66914	-1.26653	-1.68162
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C	-0.22525	-2.40226	0.43832
C	-1.55535	-2.81519	-0.2138
C	0.92201	-3.24325	-0.1158
H	-0.32228	-2.62583	1.5253
H	0.75955	-4.32192	0.03431
H	1.85511	-2.95829	0.391
H	1.03781	-3.04613	-1.19363
H	-1.94475	-3.7726	0.15371
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C	2.47754	0.73016	-0.93557
H	1.95461	1.66648	-1.23101
C	0.68917	-0.1268	2.65382
O	0.00177	0.81039	2.58251
O	1.36427	-1.0428	2.82933

## TS1

N	-3.84884	-0.09014	0.27215
C	-3.46865	-1.15799	-0.72578
C	-5.17251	-0.44778	0.84762
C	-2.82335	-0.0303	1.36525
C	-3.94119	1.25709	-0.37913

C	-1.97998	-1.02386	-1.12366
O	-1.2604	-1.96499	-0.68949
O	-1.66023	-0.02163	-1.7539
H	-4.12012	-1.03243	-1.60032
H	-3.64374	-2.12659	-0.24364
H	-5.49033	0.34853	1.53077
H	-5.89673	-0.55276	0.03122
H	-5.07881	-1.3956	1.39014
H	-3.24052	0.55967	2.18996
H	-1.92786	0.46994	0.96988
H	-2.59671	-1.05325	1.68839
H	-4.68322	1.19747	-1.18384
H	-4.26316	1.97231	0.38739
H	-2.95365	1.53012	-0.76643
C	2.66313	3.36634	0.22034
C	0.1627	2.98446	0.12642
O	3.90832	2.73554	0.28719
O	1.70512	1.46424	-0.84693
O	-0.83911	2.01101	-0.06086
H	-0.53243	1.43001	-0.7821
H	1.98272	0.5528	-0.47784
H	3.8613	1.9965	-0.33582
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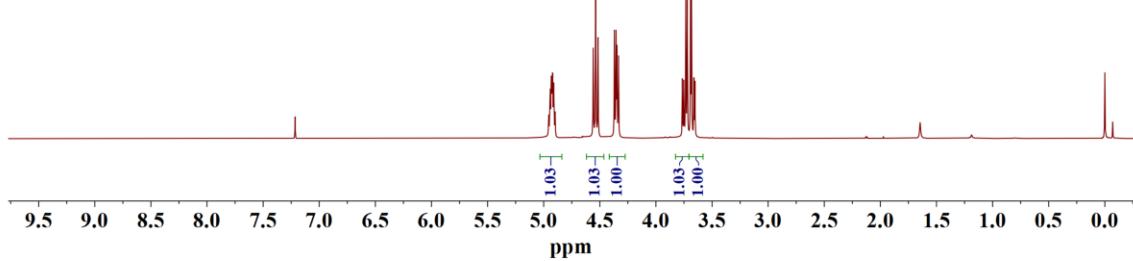
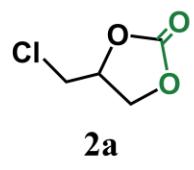
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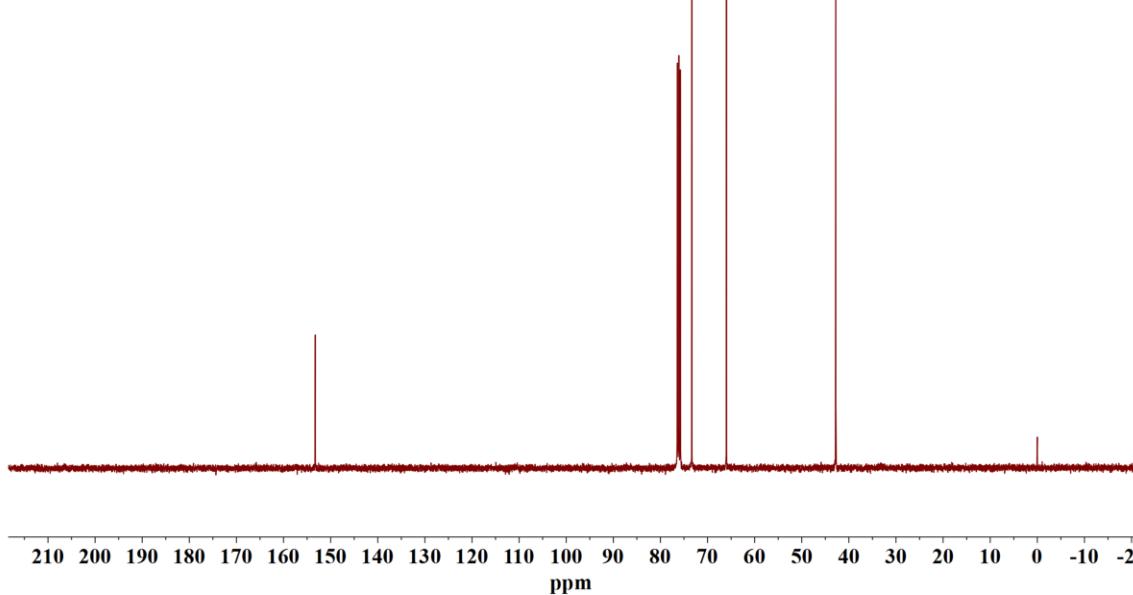
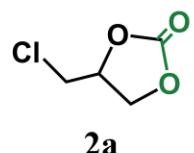
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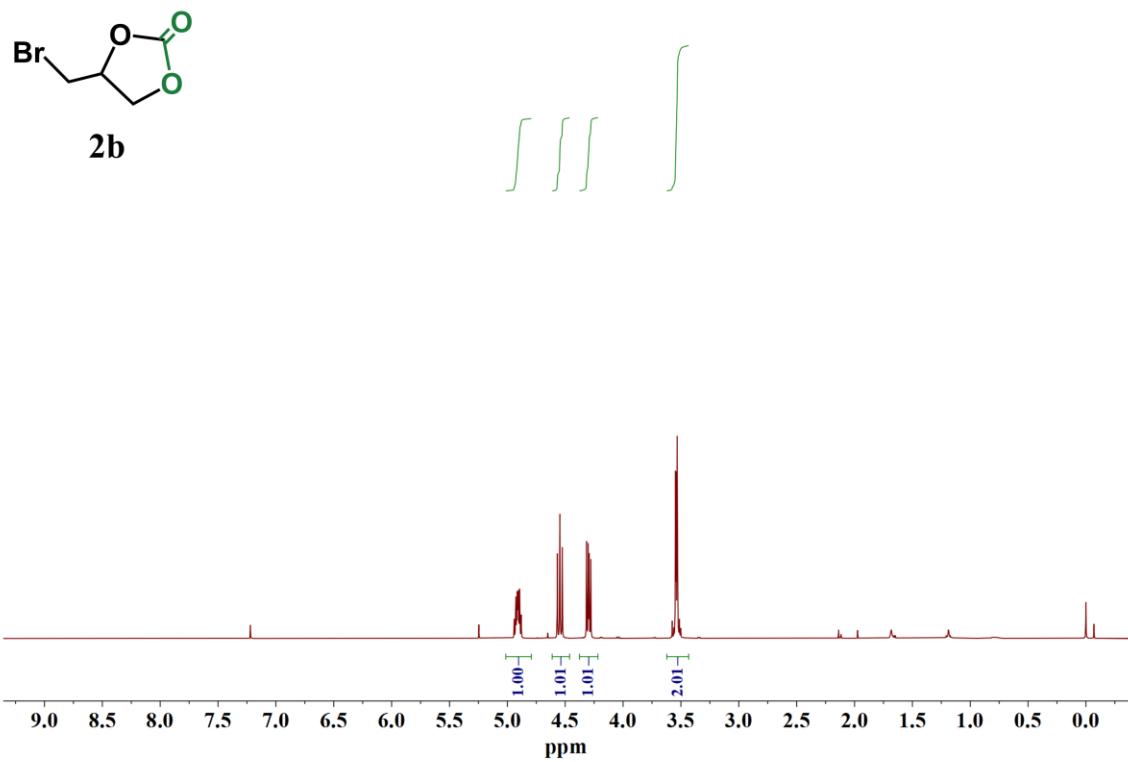
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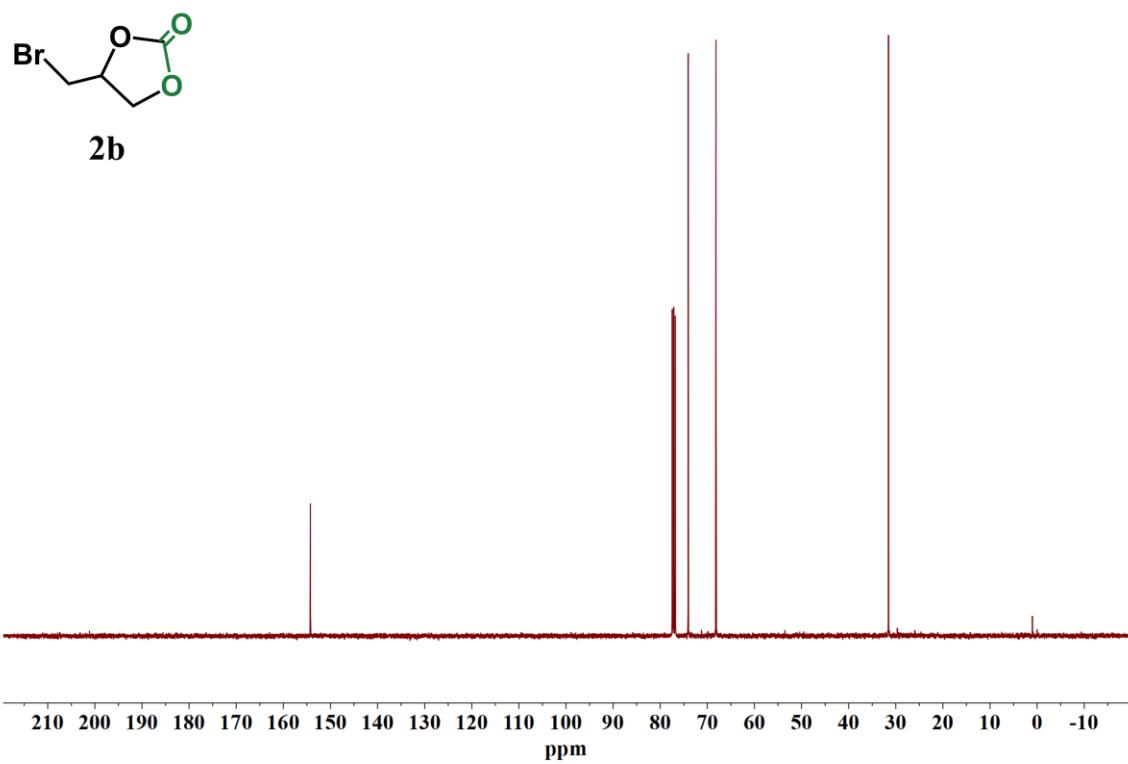
**Fig. S12.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 2a (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).



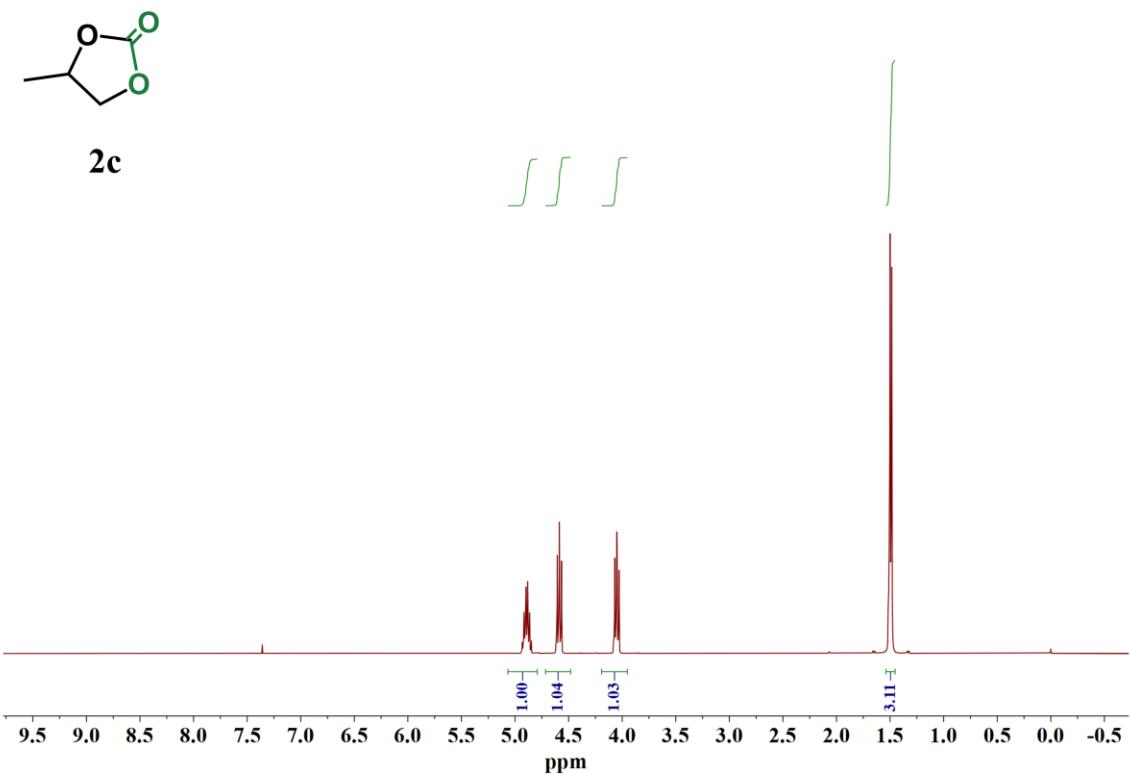
**Fig. S13.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 2a (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).



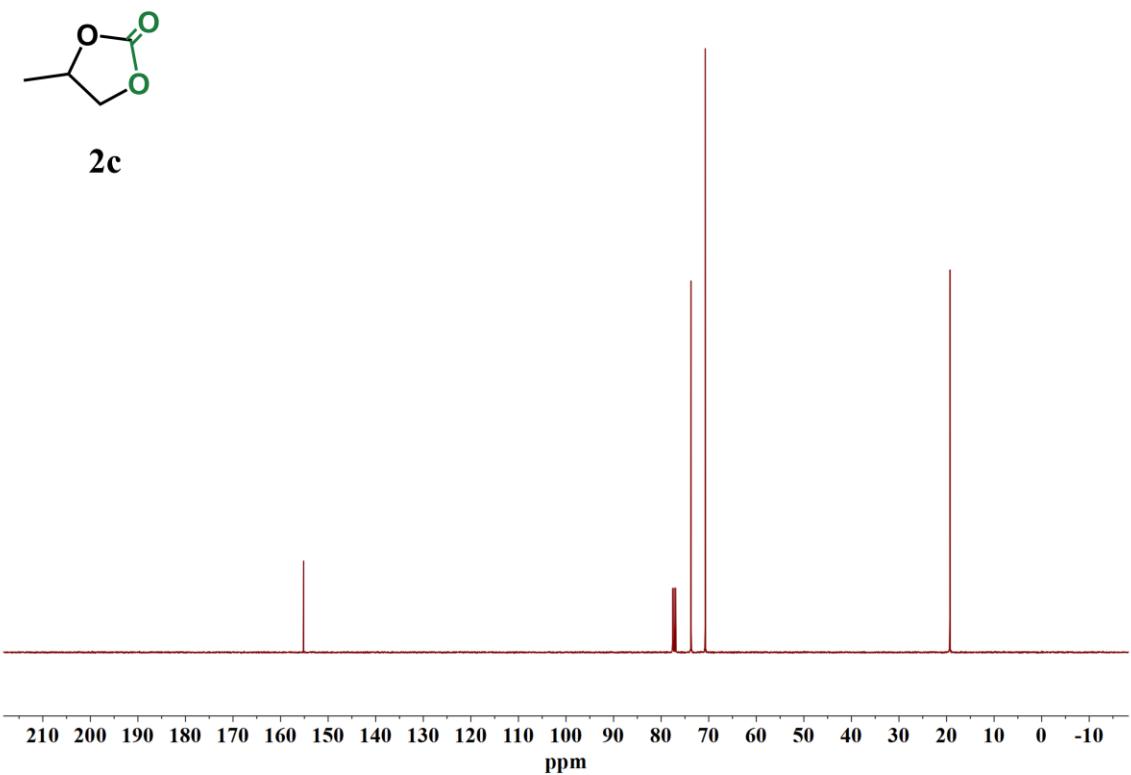
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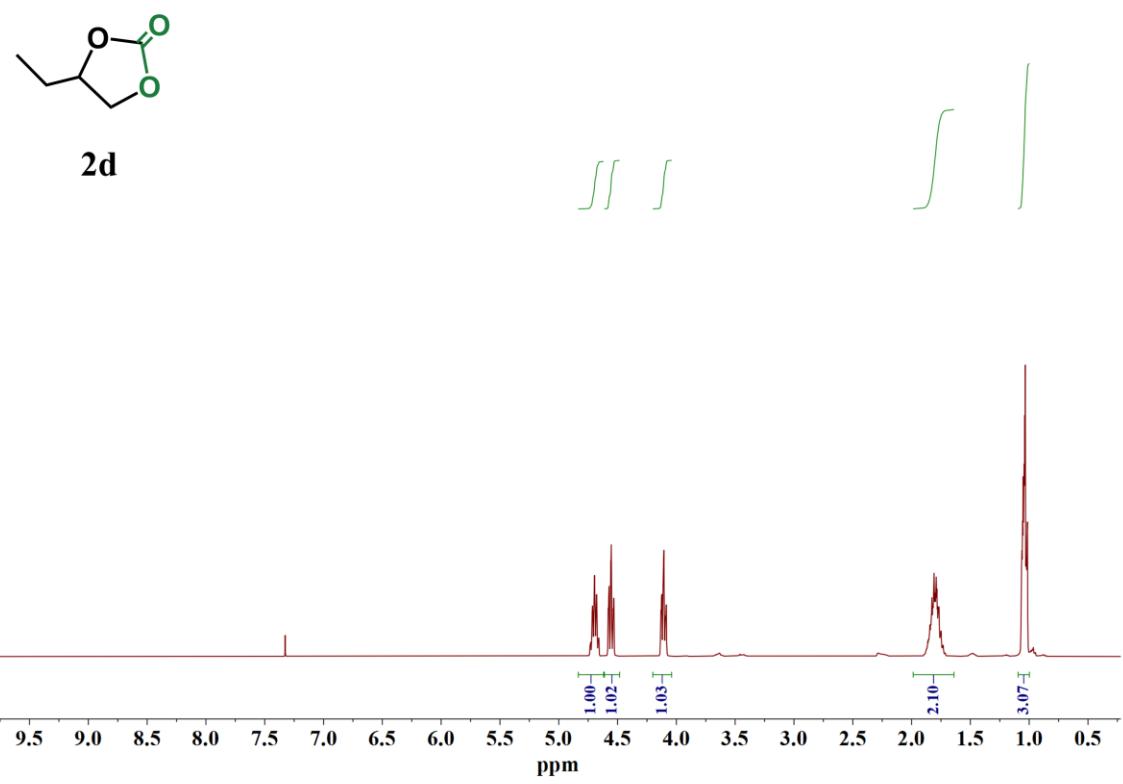
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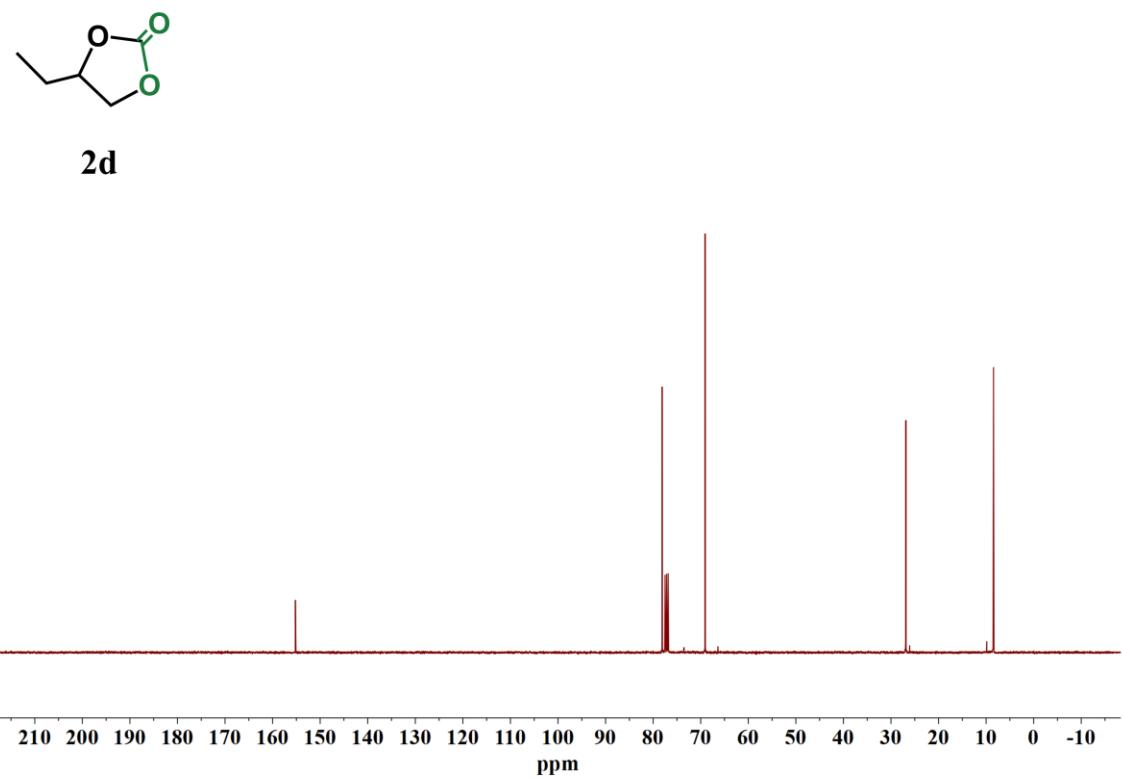
**Fig. S16.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **2c** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).



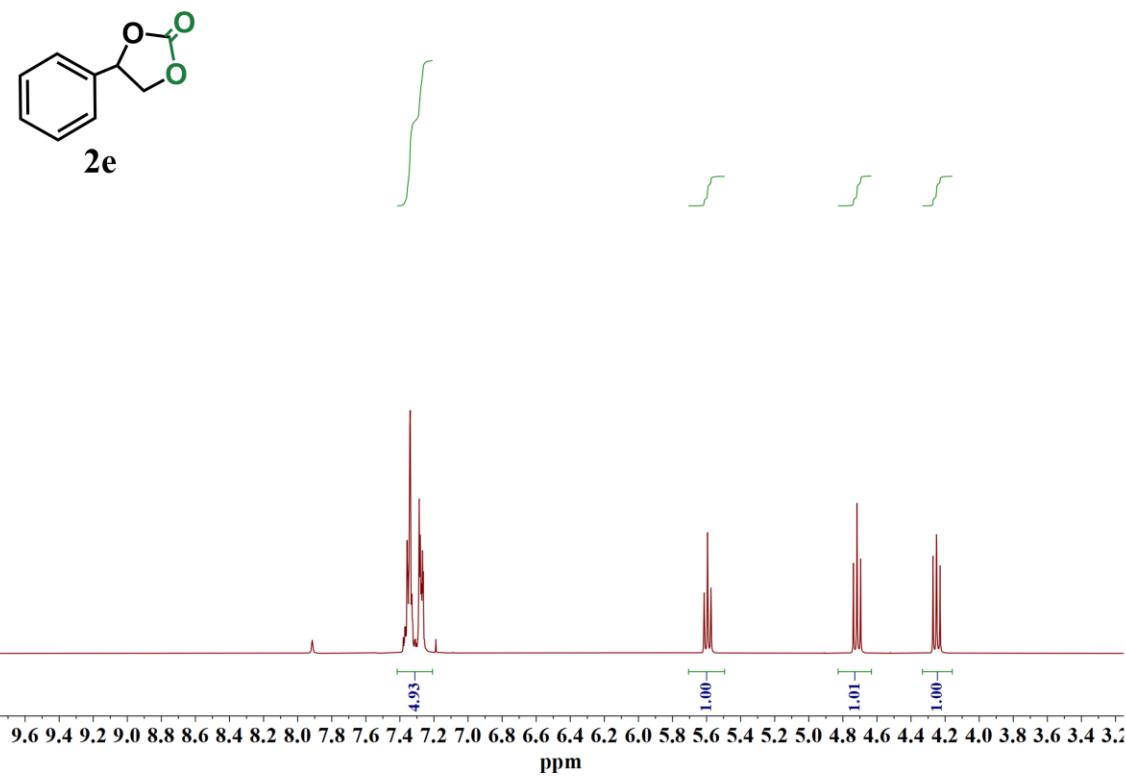
**Fig. S17.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **2c** (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).



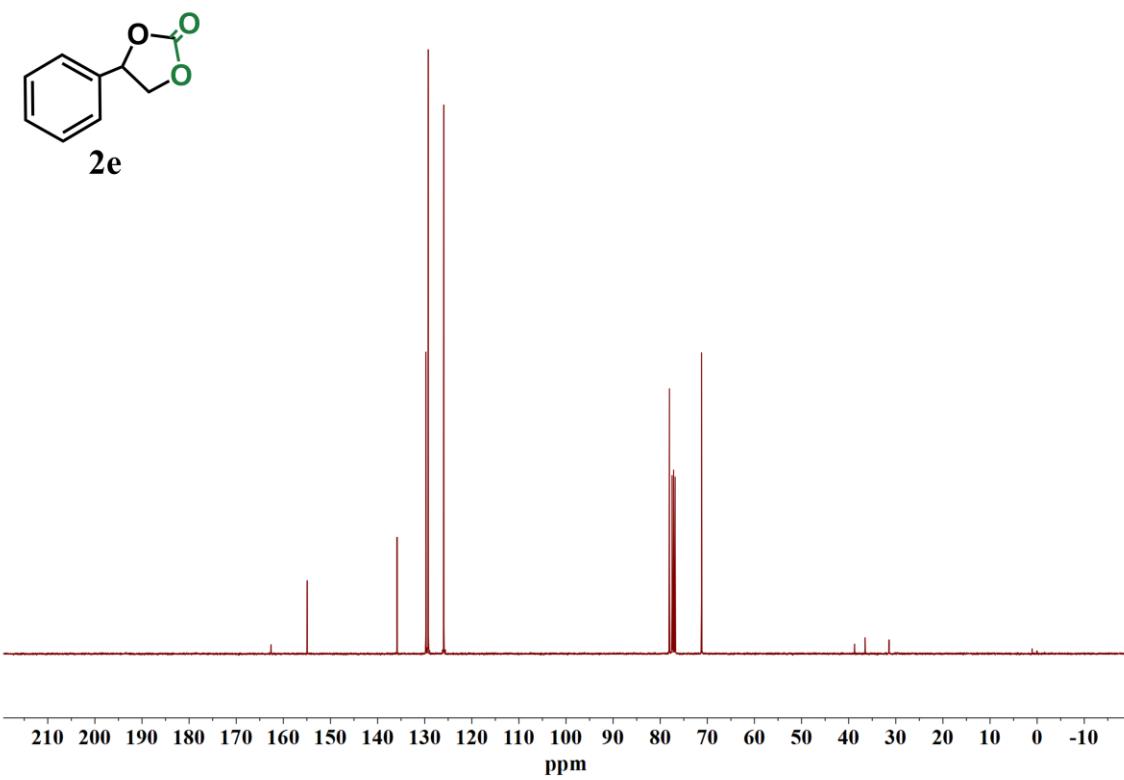
**Fig. S18.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2d** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



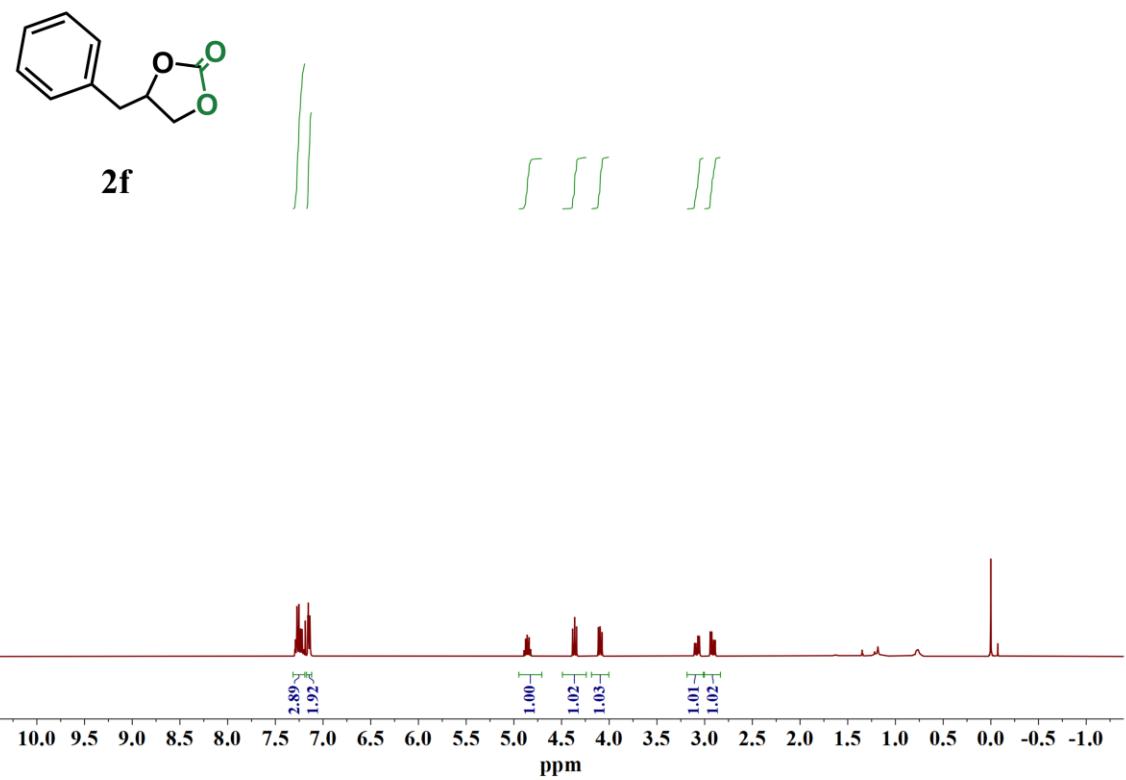
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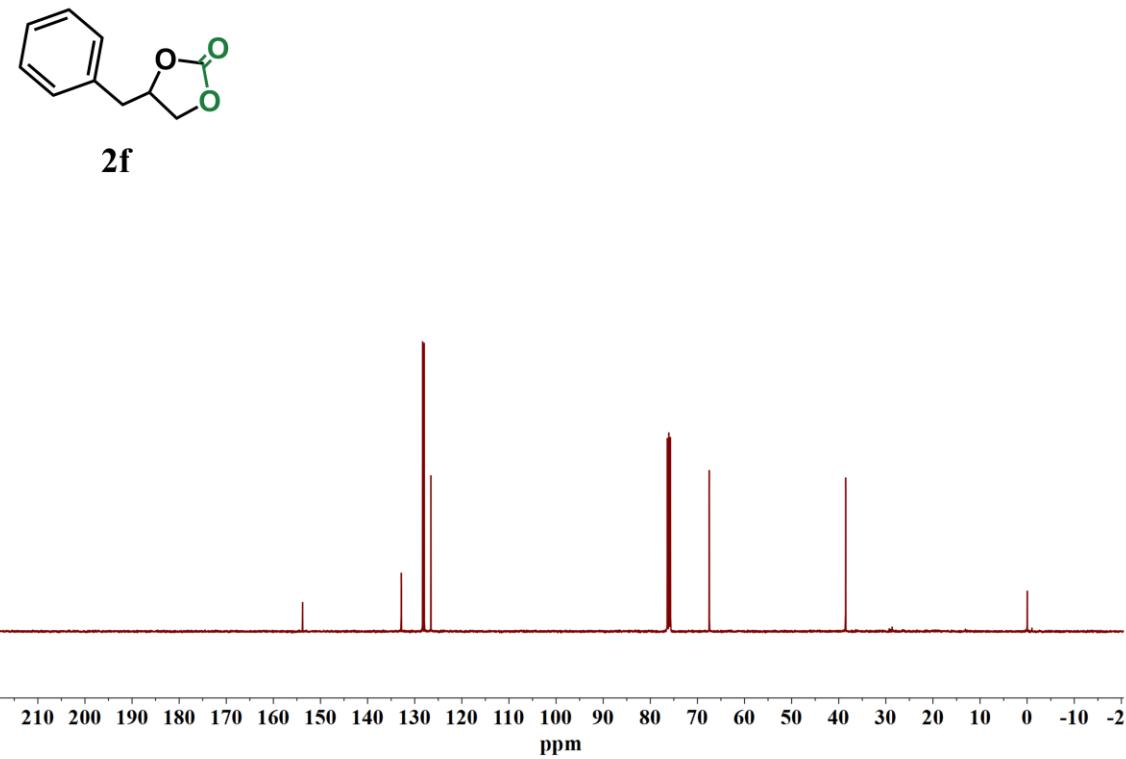
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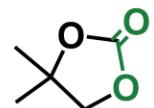
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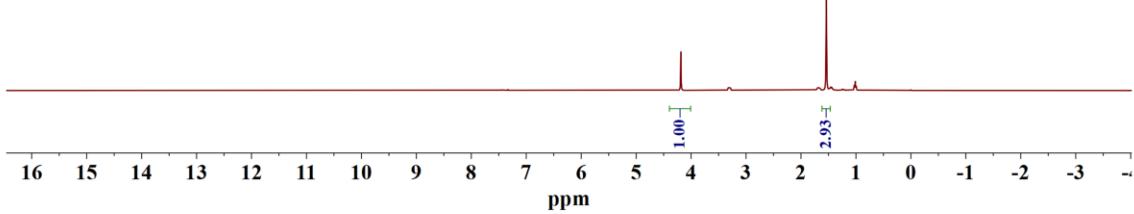
**Fig. S22.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2f** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



**Fig. S23.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2f** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



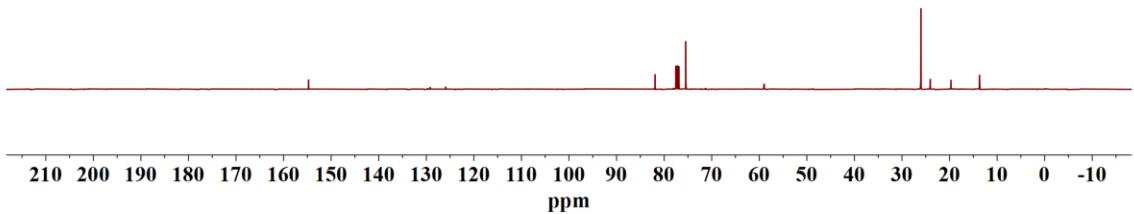
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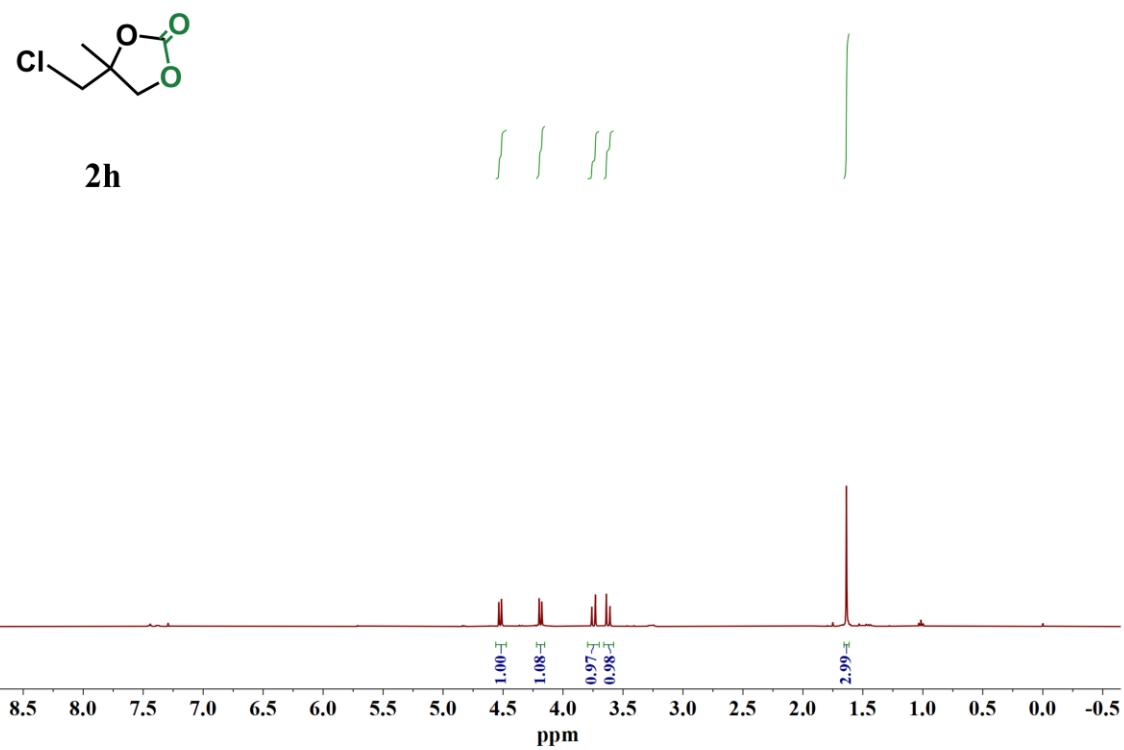
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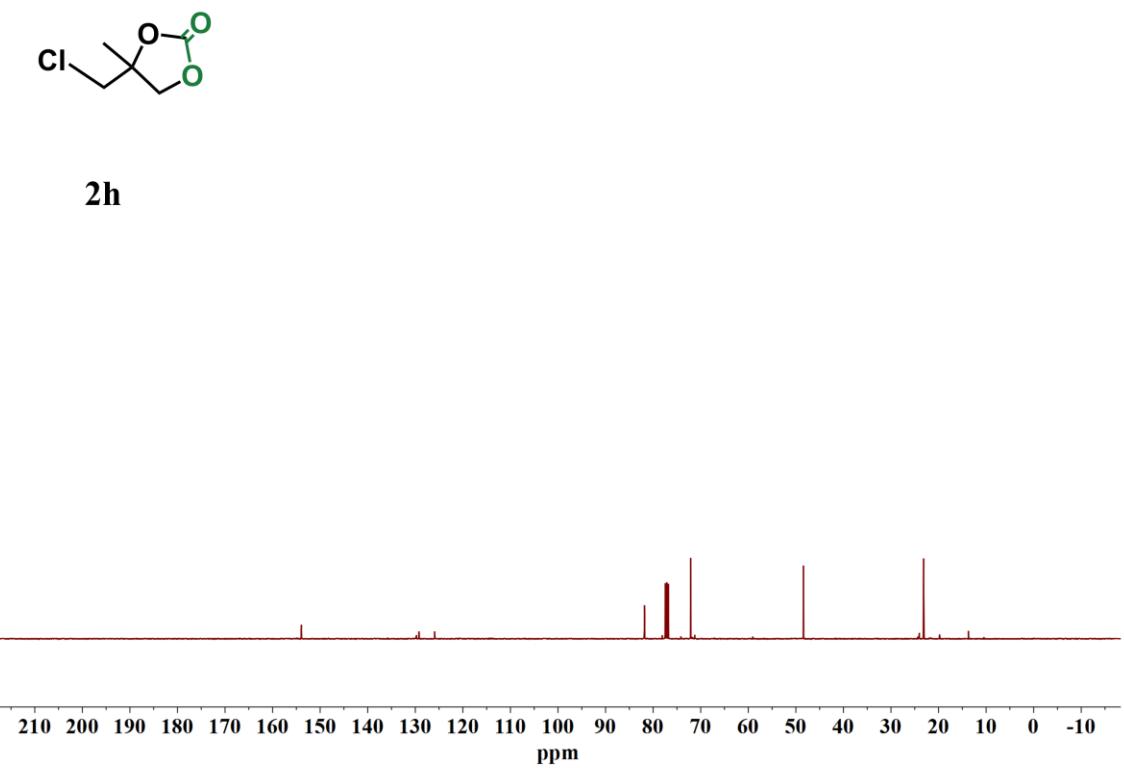
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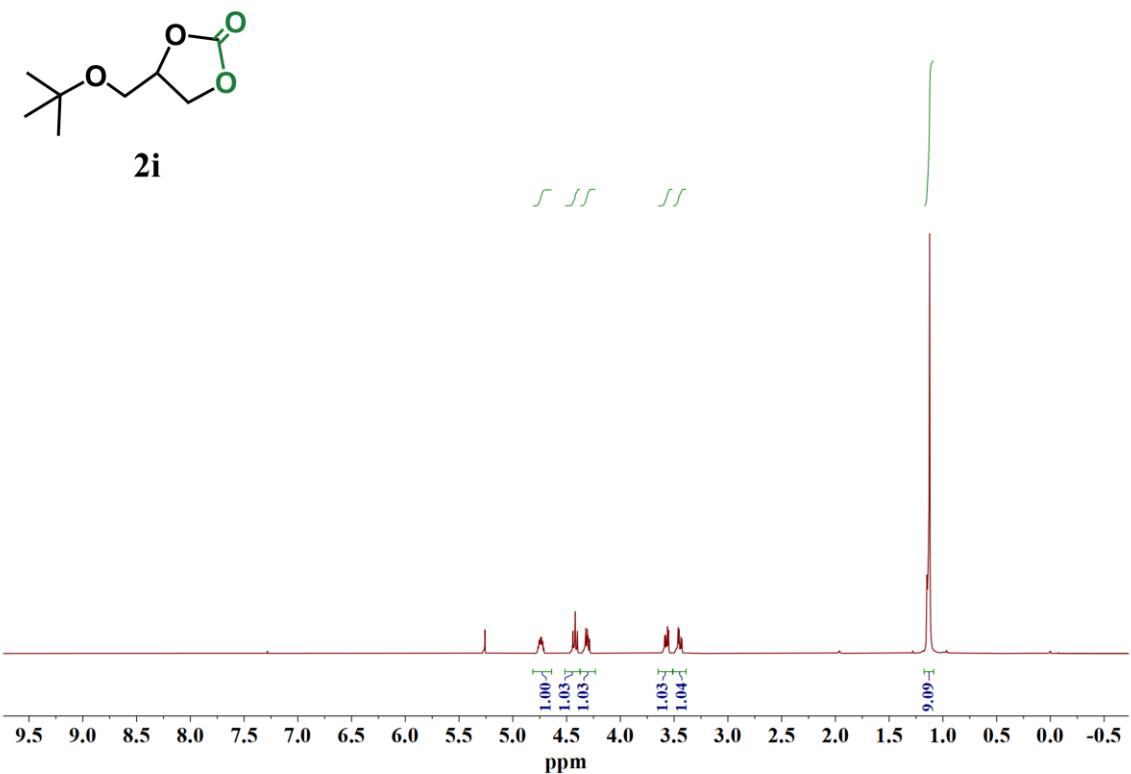
**Fig. S25.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 2g (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).



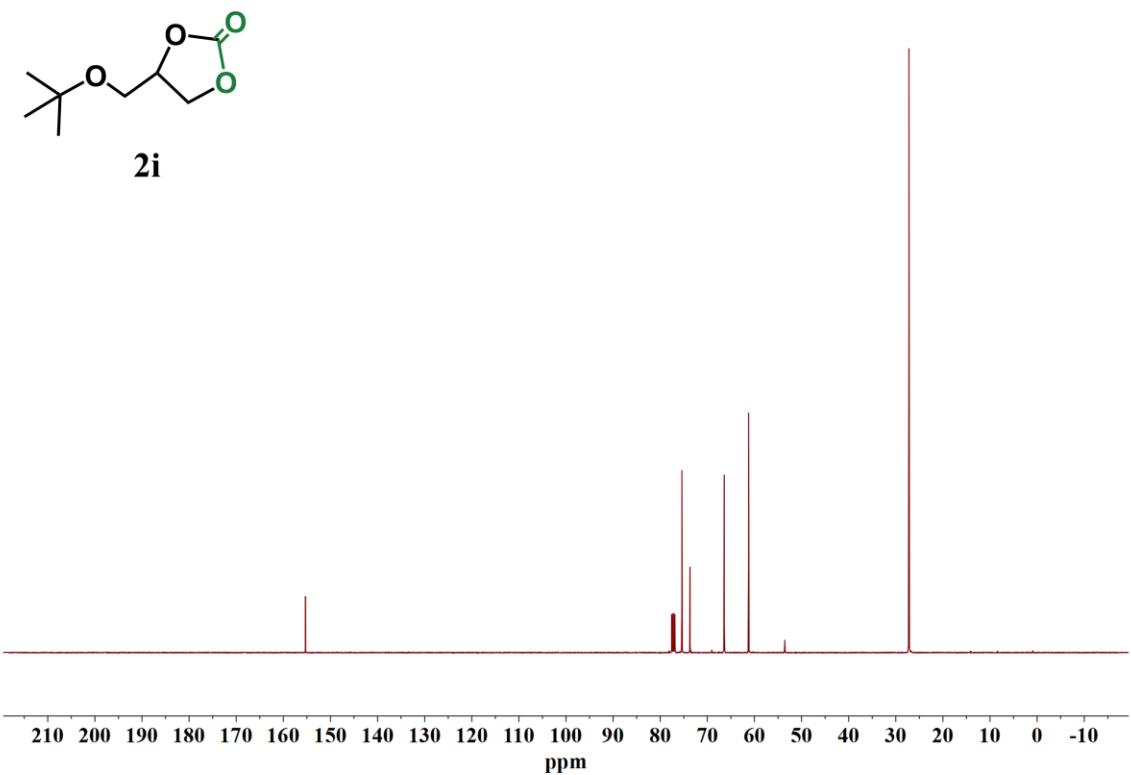
**Fig. S26.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2h** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



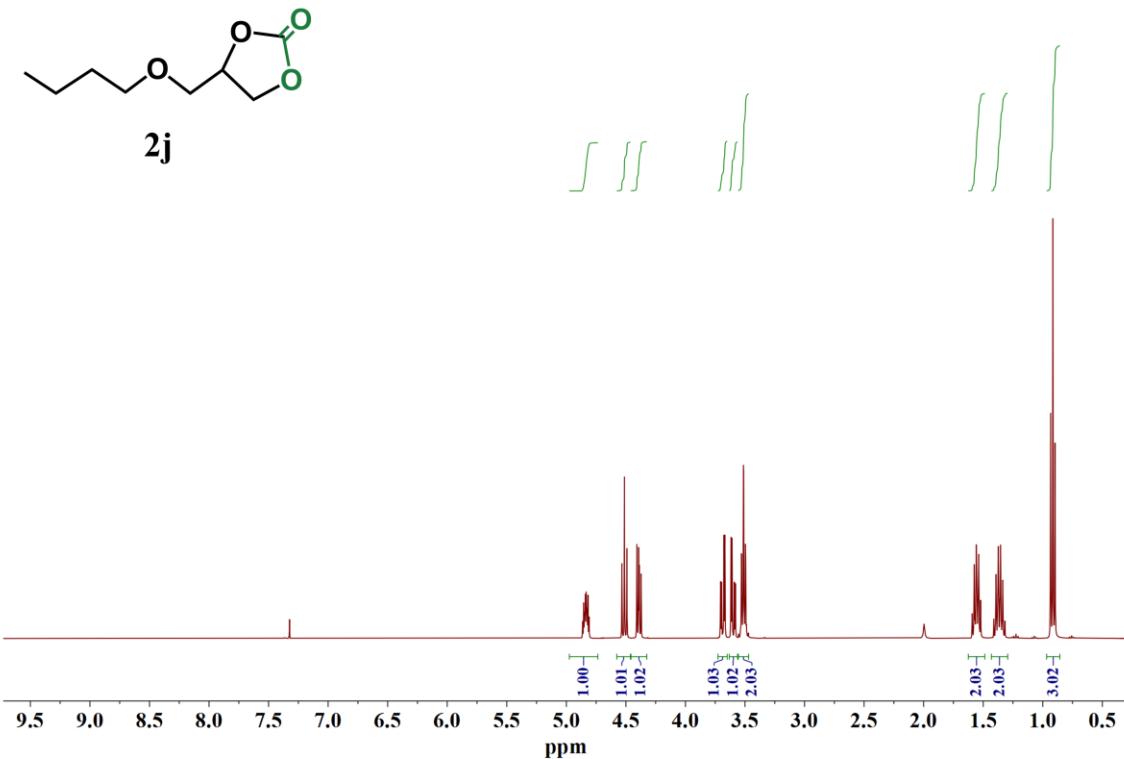
**Fig. S27.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2h** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



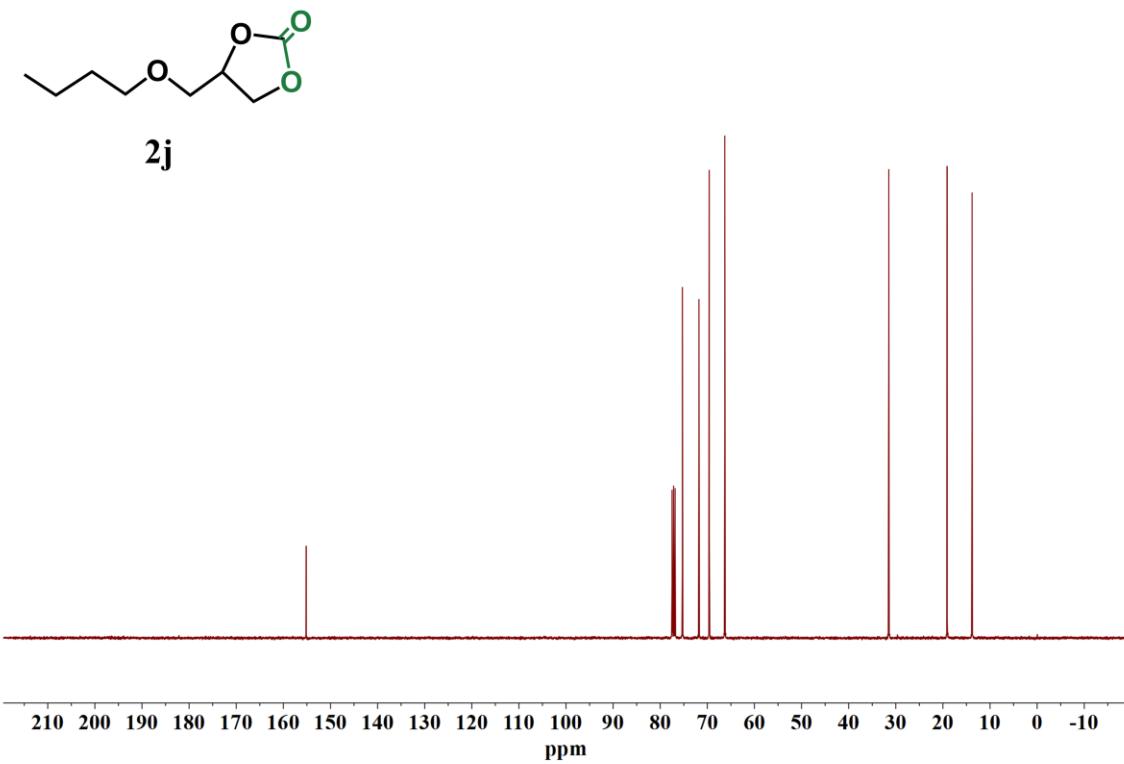
**Fig. S28.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2i** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



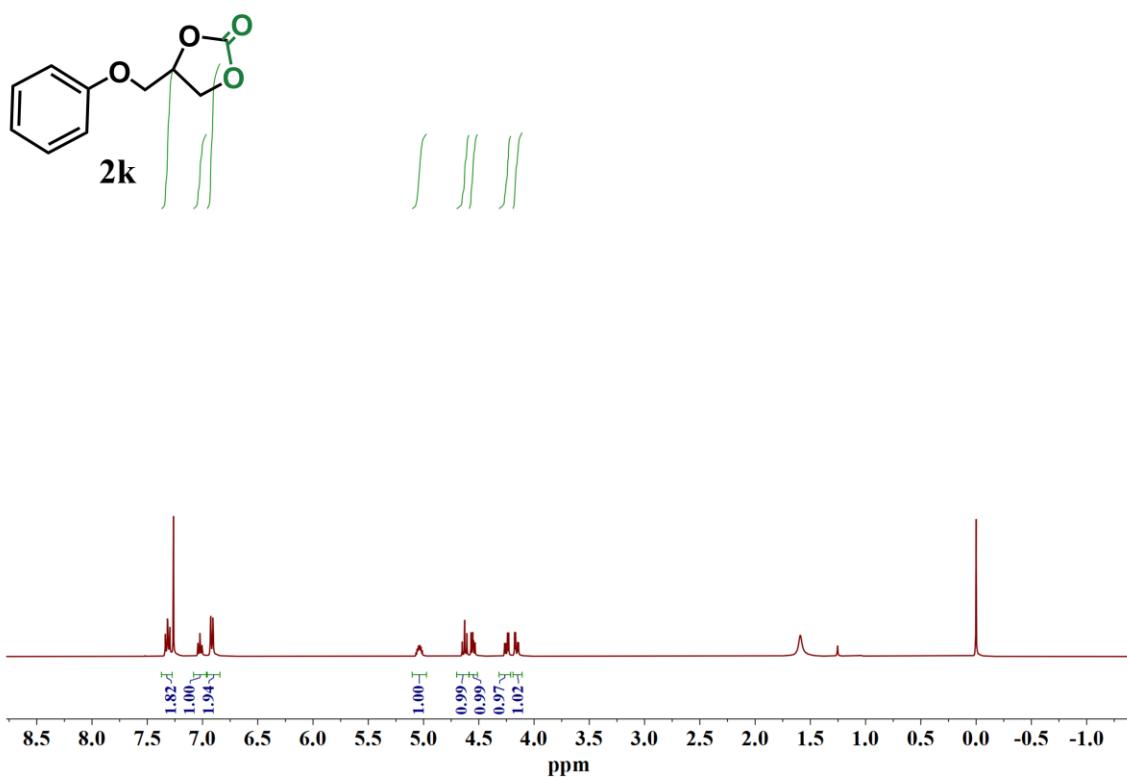
**Fig. S29.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2i** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



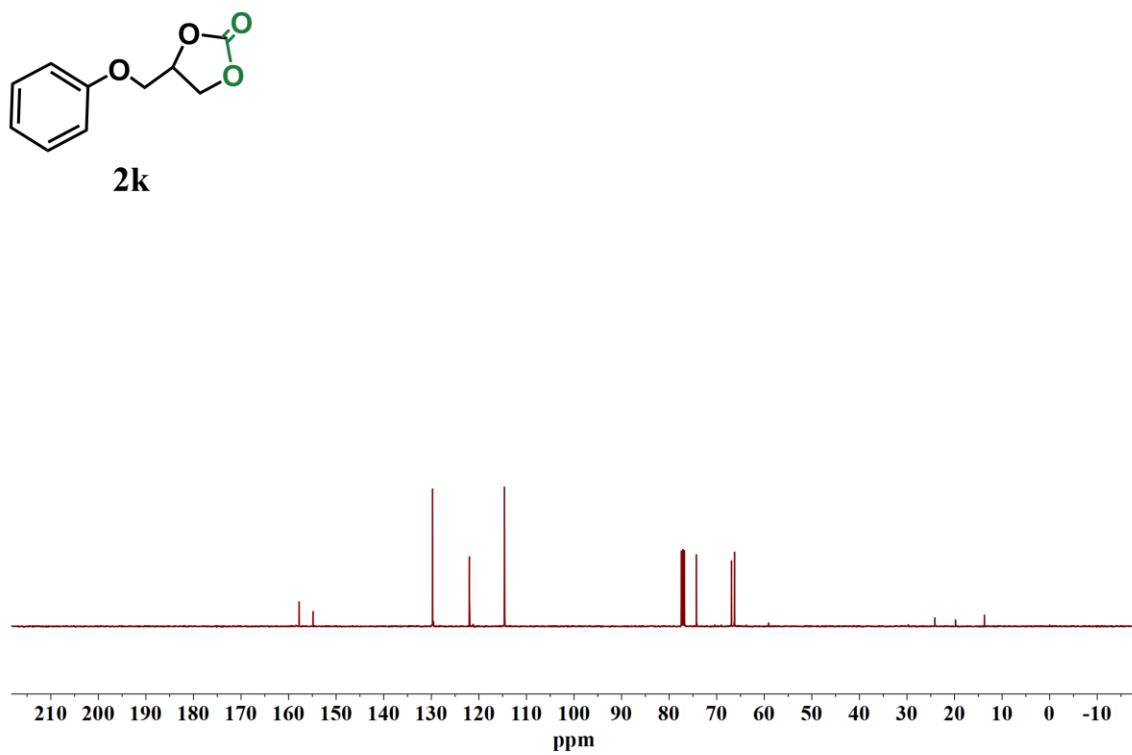
**Fig. S30.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2j** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



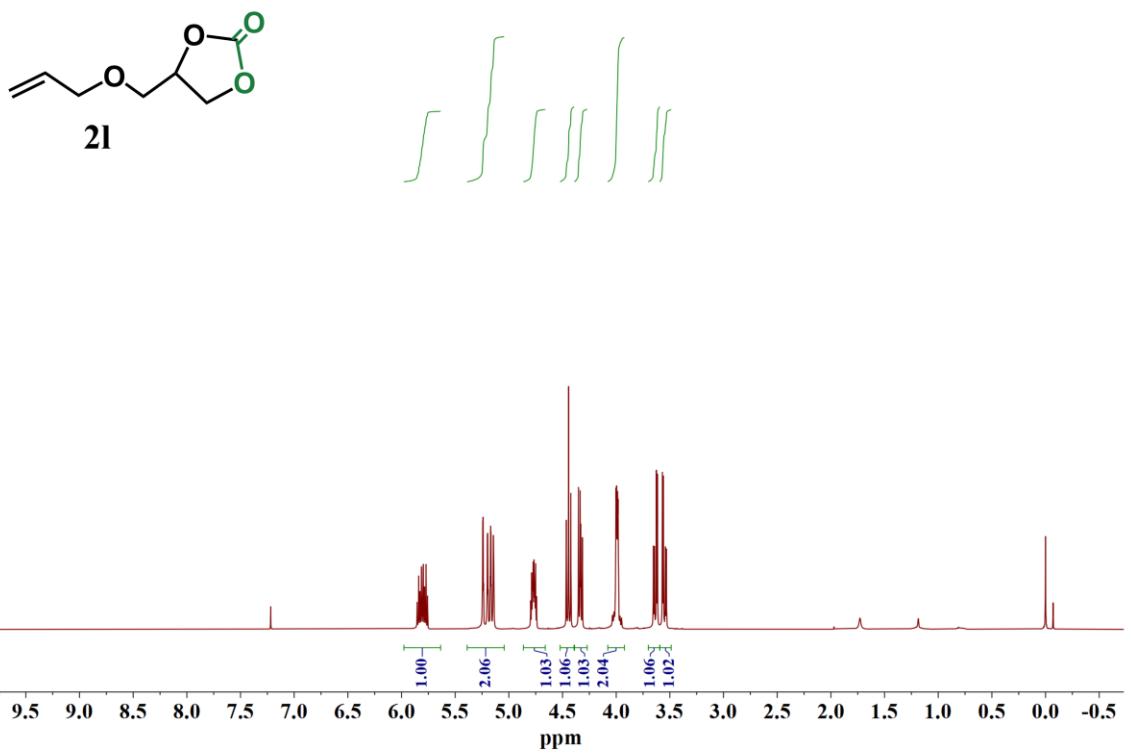
**Fig. S31.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2j** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



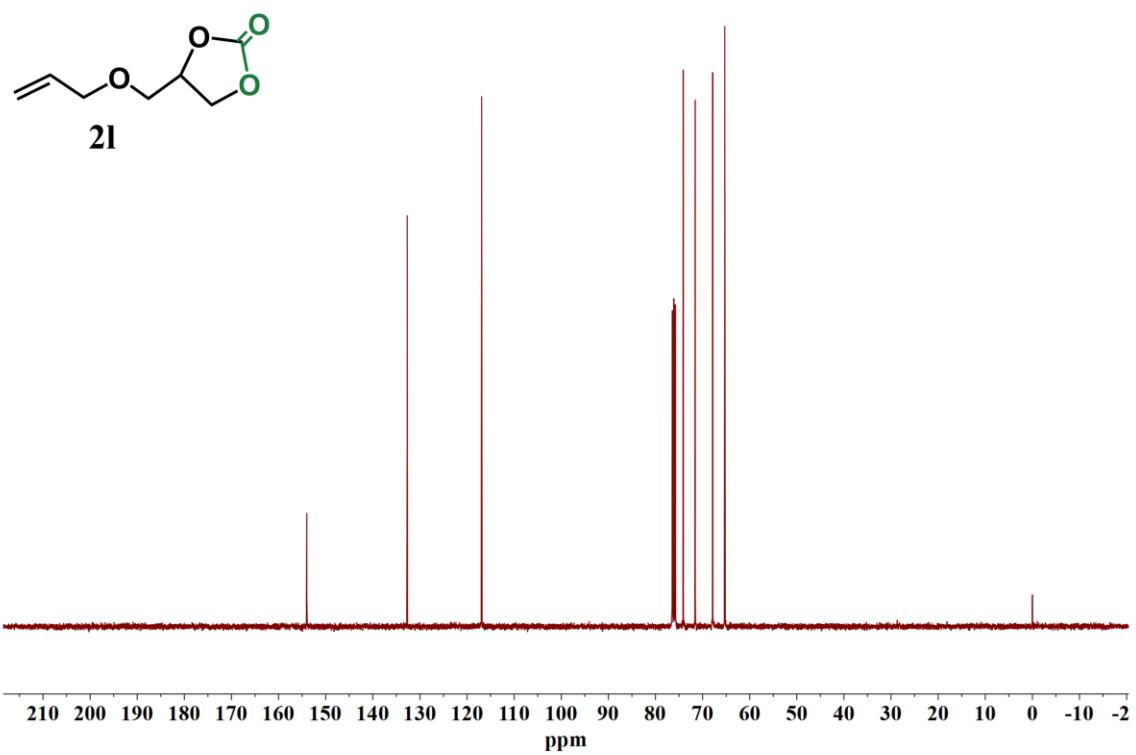
**Fig. S32.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2k** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



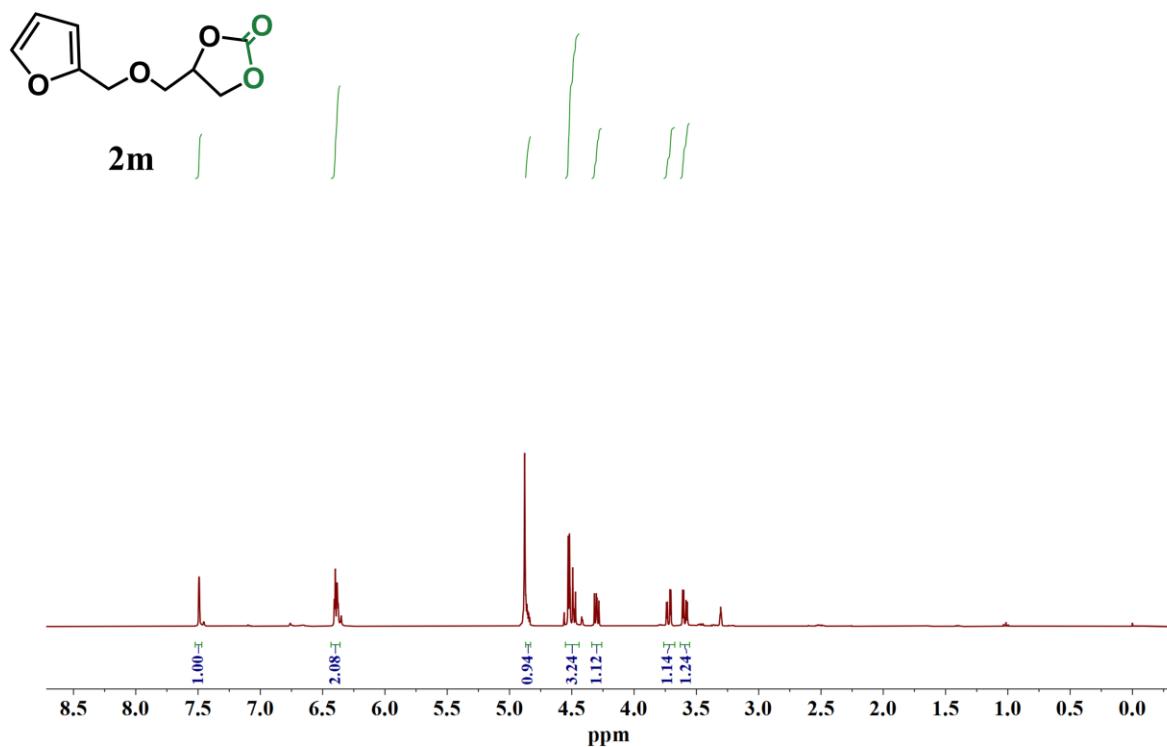
**Fig. S33.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2k** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



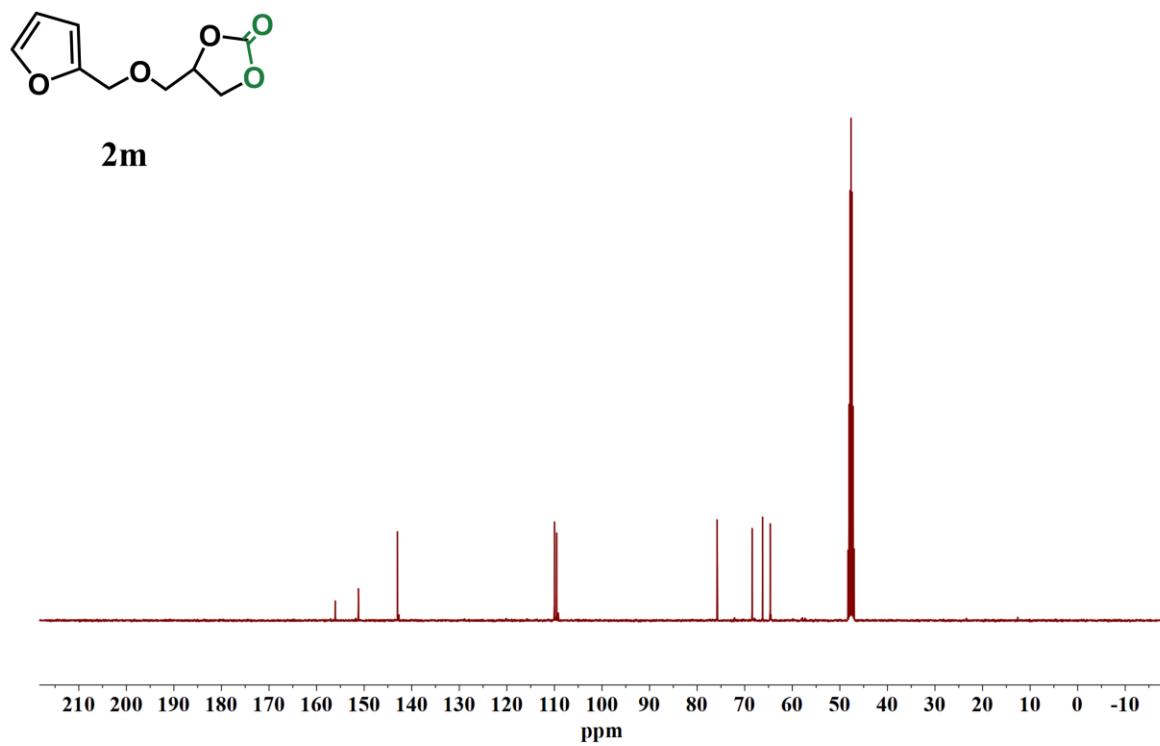
**Fig. S34.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2l** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



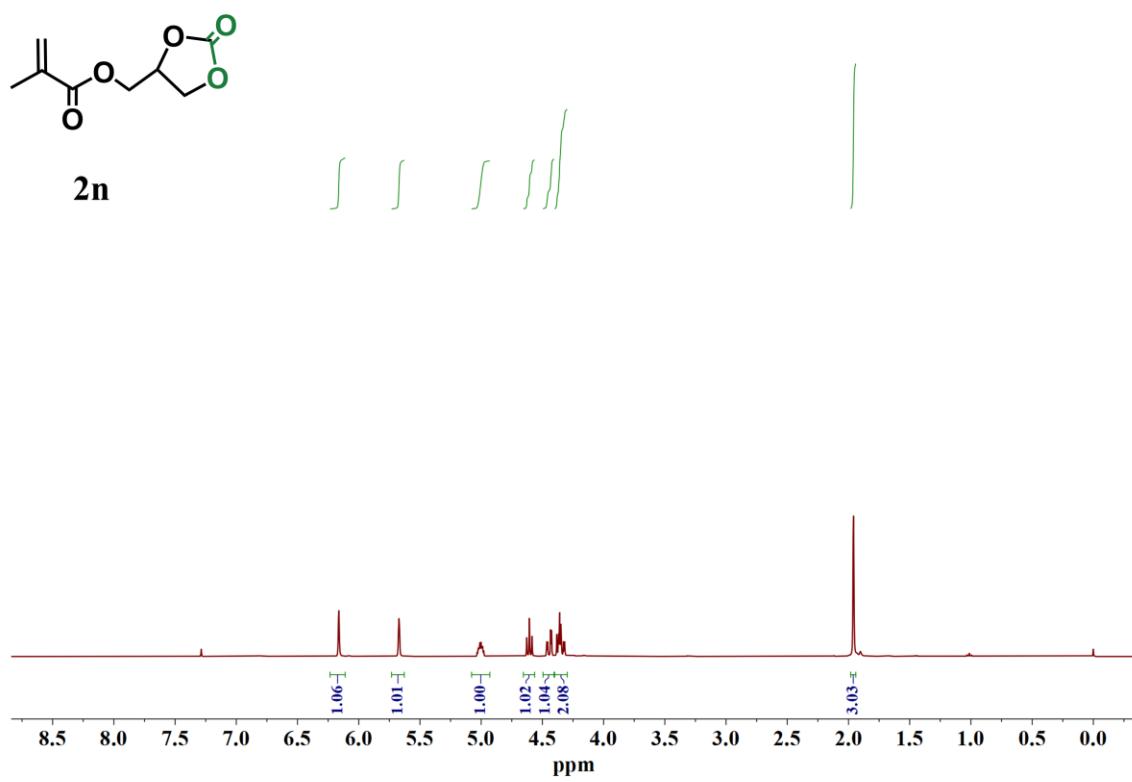
**Fig. S35.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2l** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



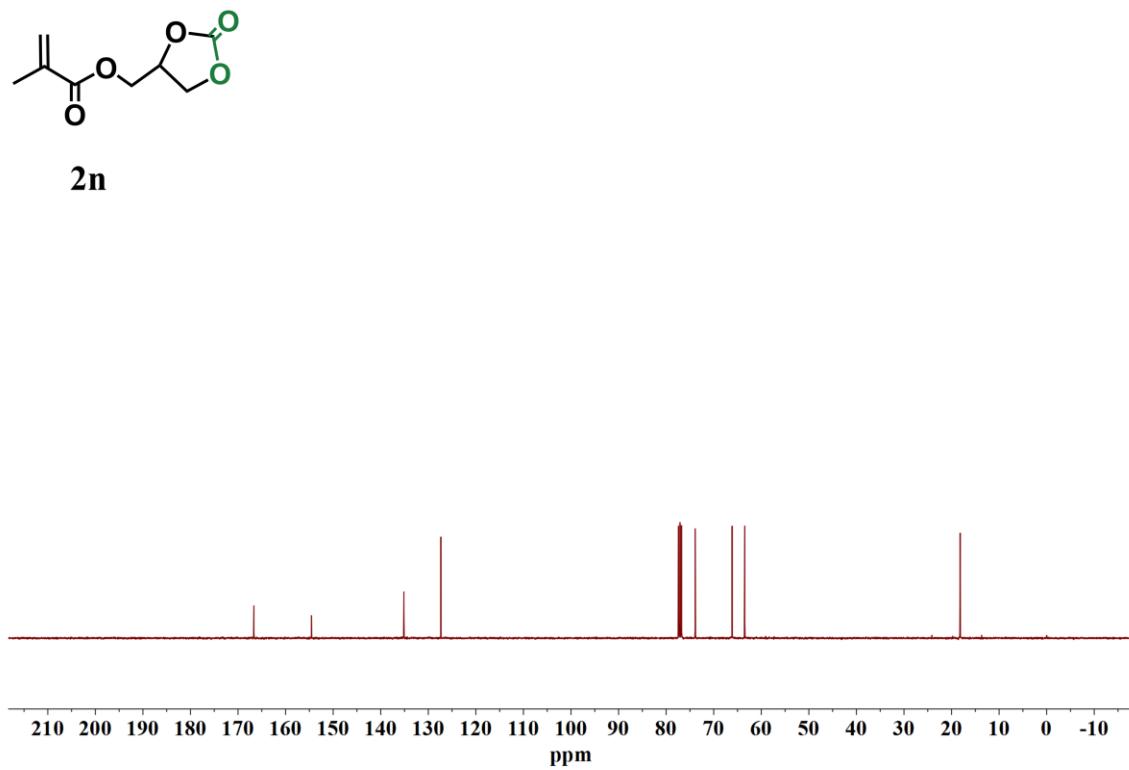
**Fig. S36.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2m** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



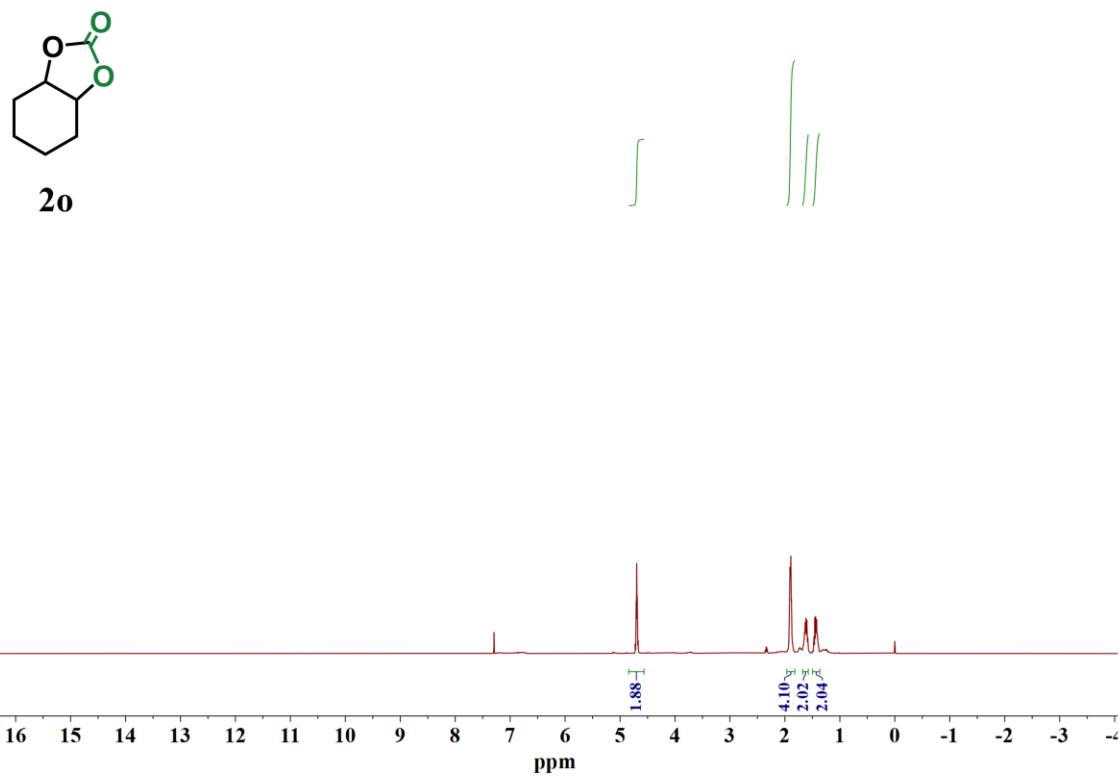
**Fig. S37.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2m** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



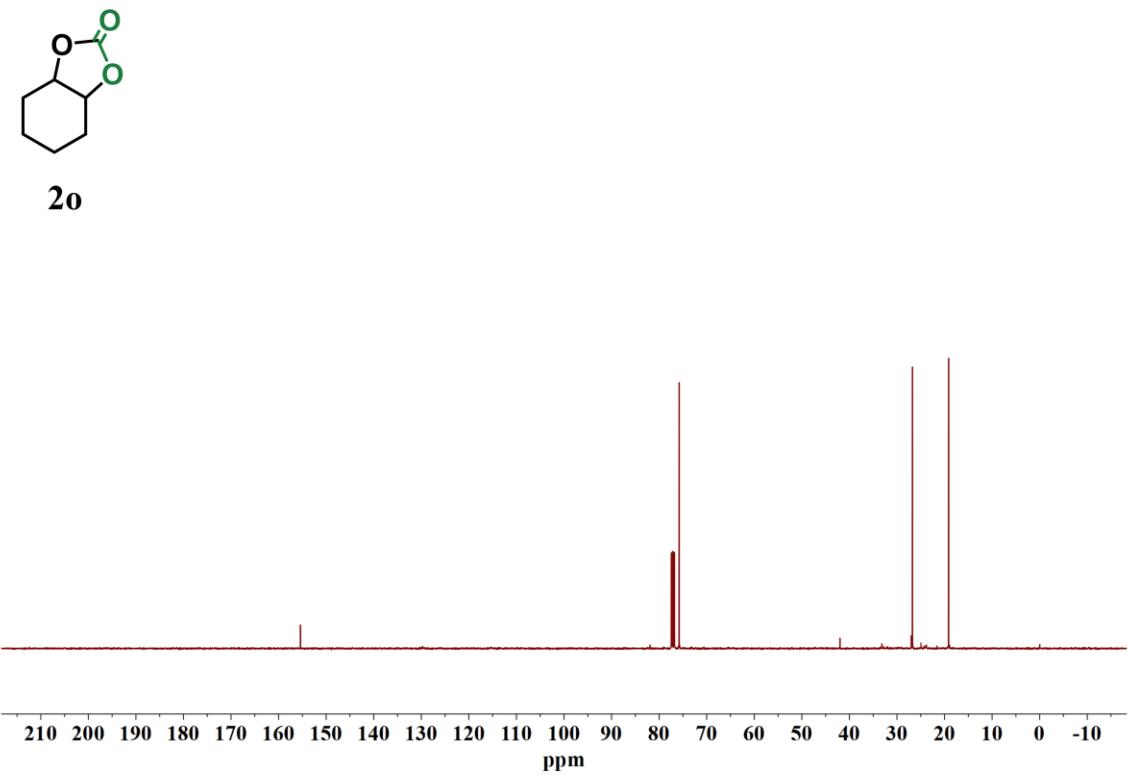
**Fig. S38.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2n** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



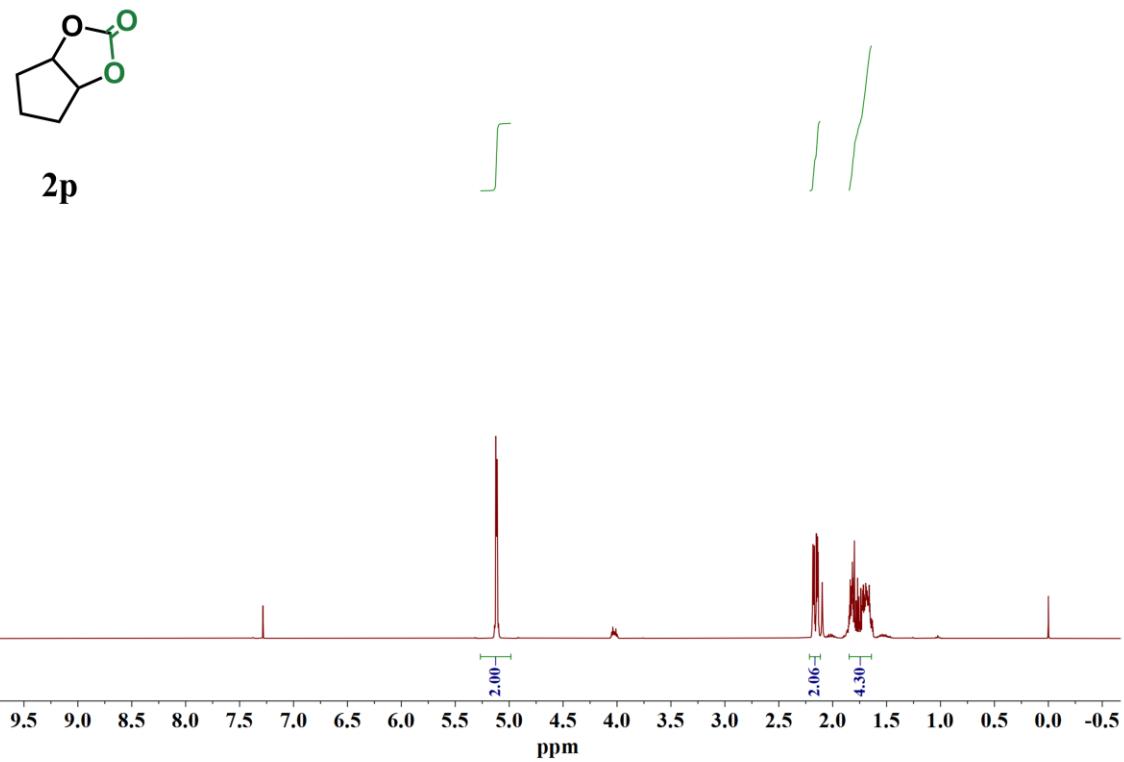
**Fig. S39.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2n** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



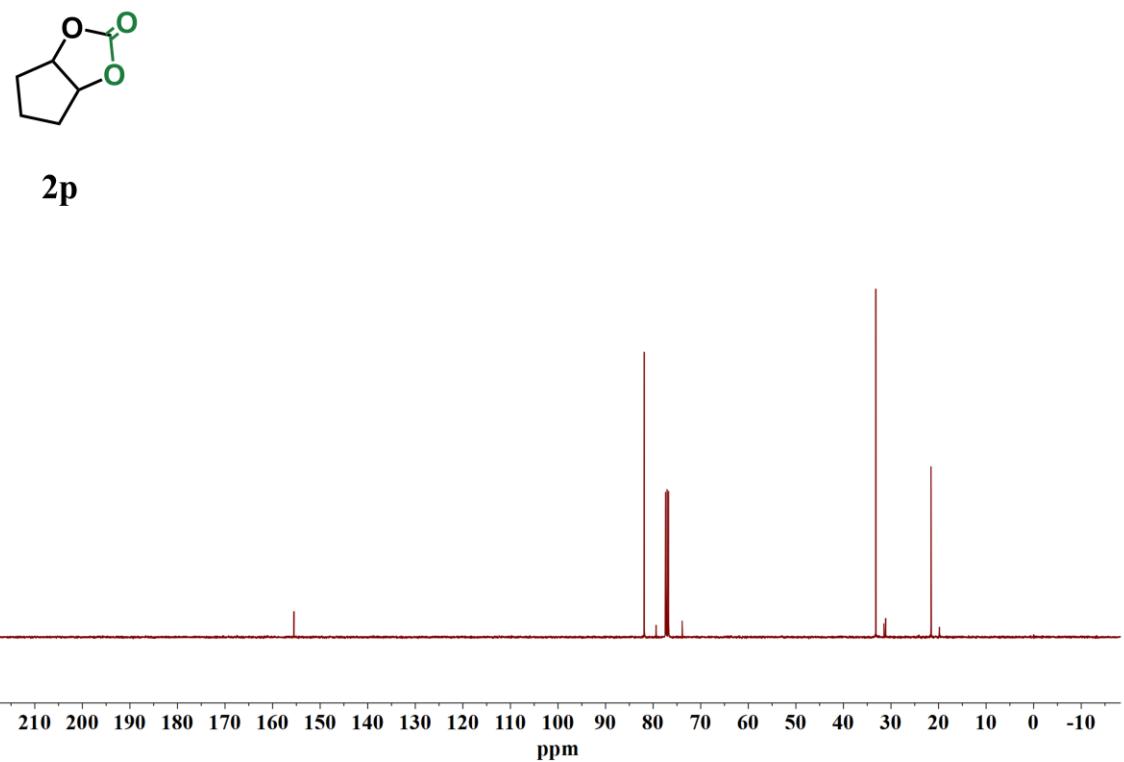
**Fig. S40.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2o** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



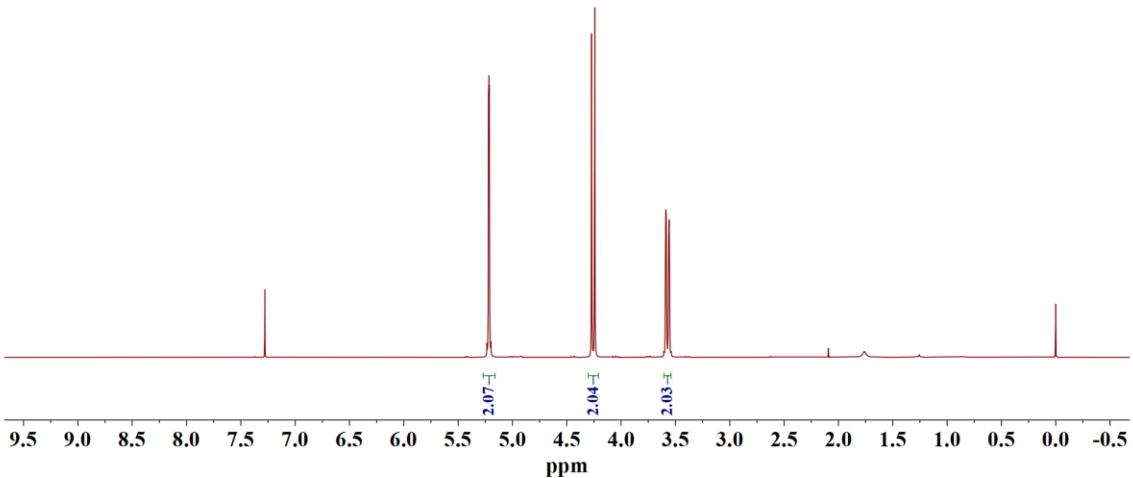
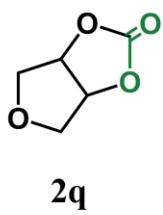
**Fig. S41.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2o** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



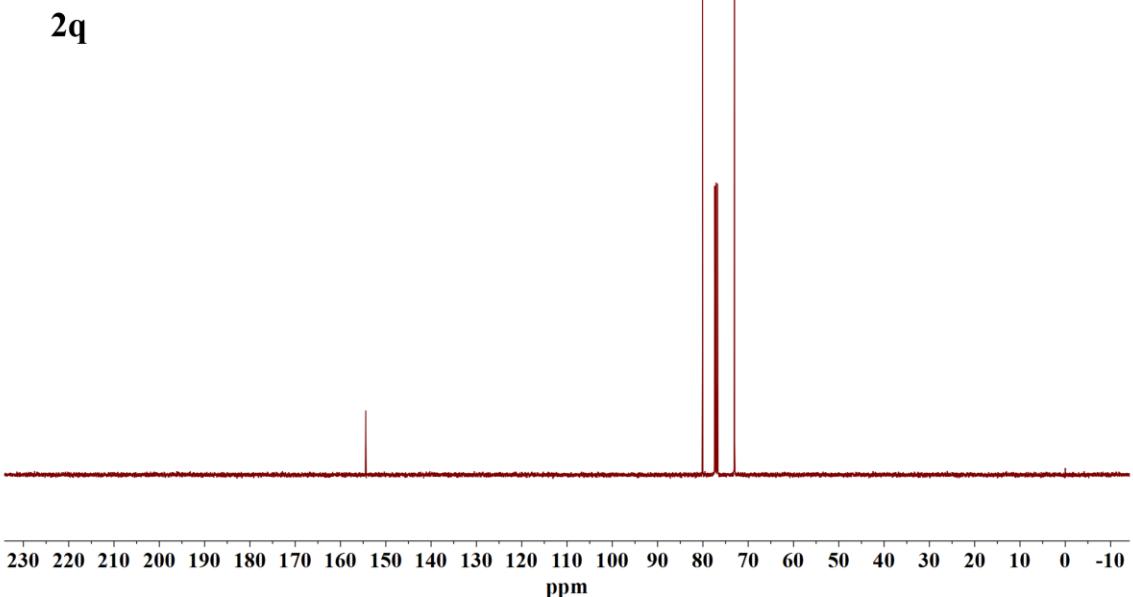
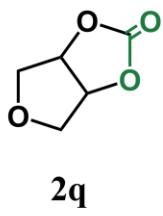
**Fig. S42.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2p** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



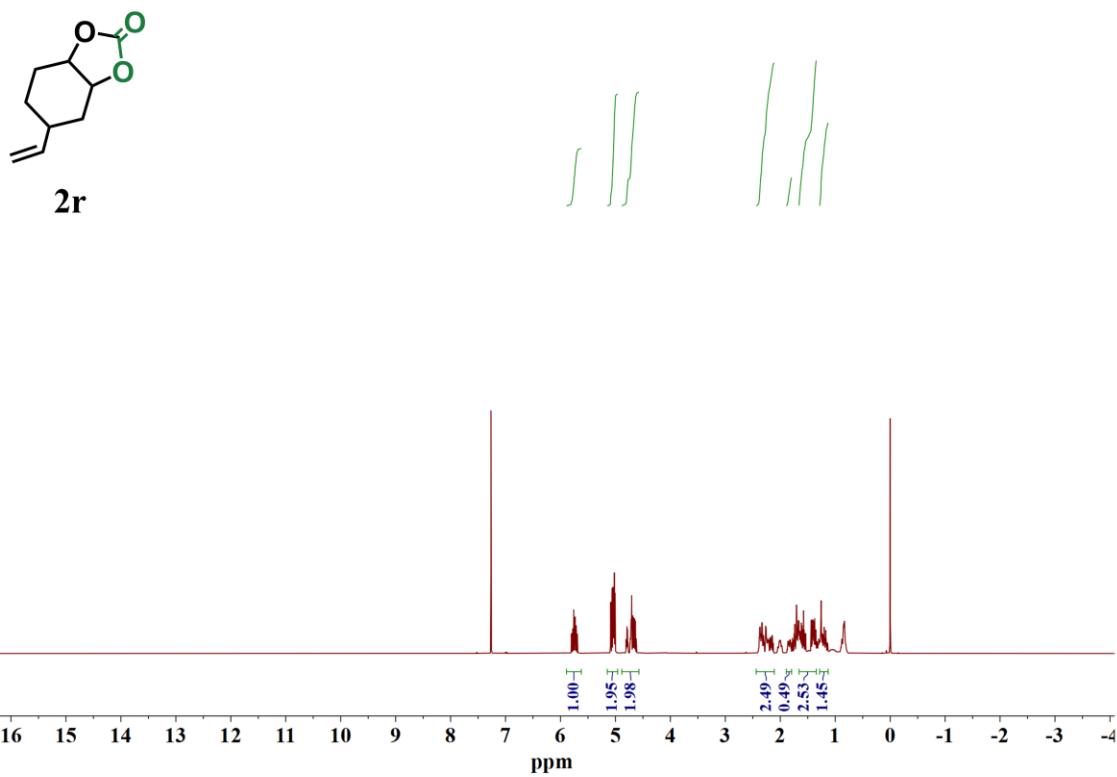
**Fig. S43.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2p** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



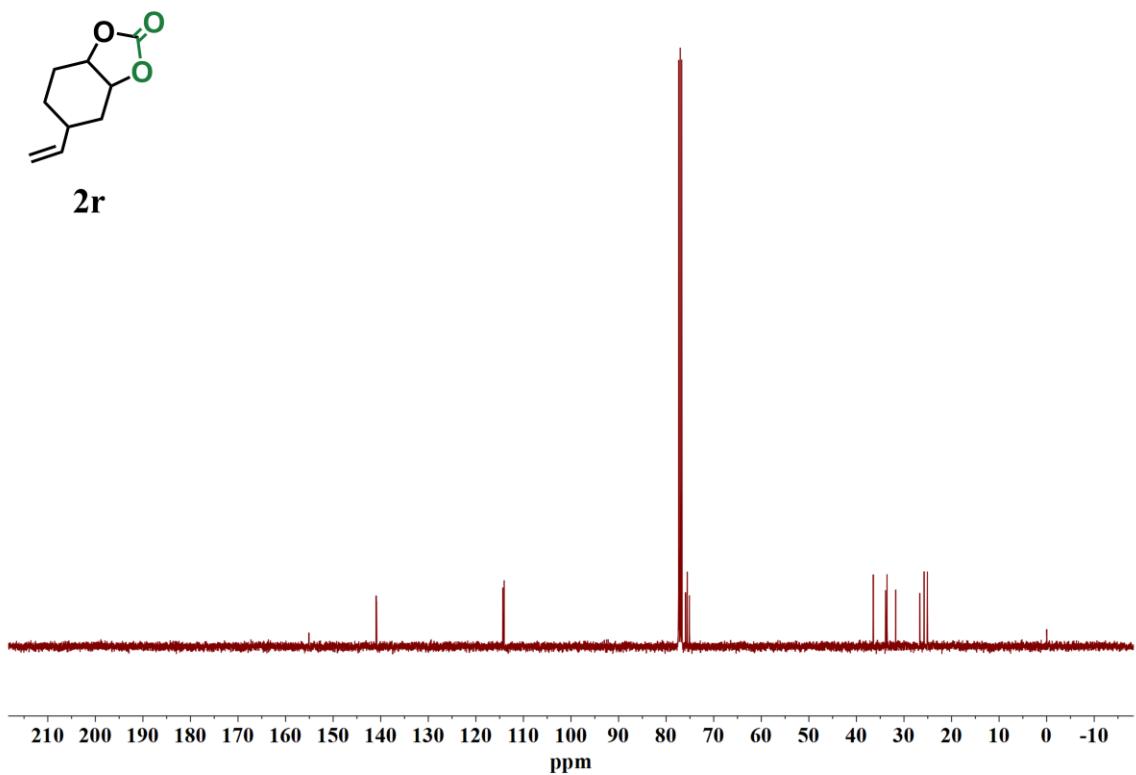
**Fig. S44.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2q** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



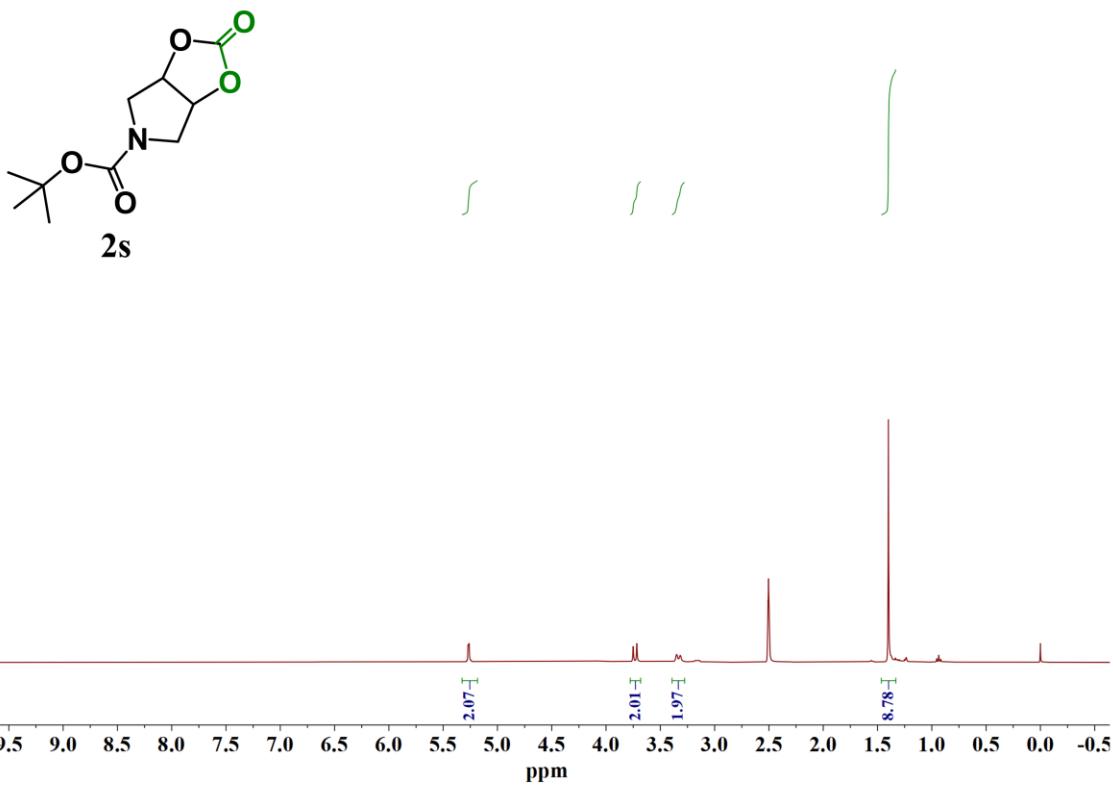
**Fig. S45.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2q** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



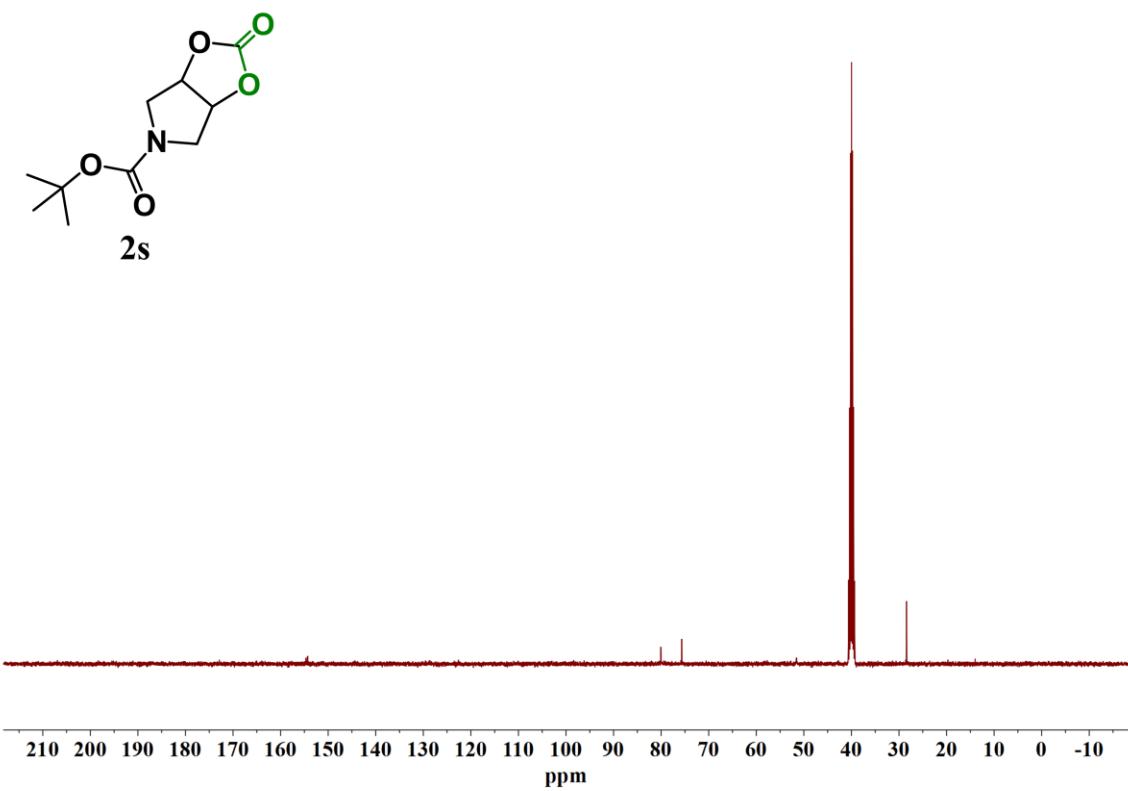
**Fig. S46.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **2r** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



**Fig. S47.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **2r** (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 298 K).



**Fig. S48.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **2s** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).



**Fig. S49.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **2s** (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K).

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