

## Supporting Information for

# Integrated “all-in-one” strategy to construct highly efficient Pd catalyst for CO<sub>2</sub> transformation

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## 1. Experimental Section

### 1.1 General

All nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were acquired using a Bruker Advance III 400 NMR spectrometer, with chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) reported in ppm. Fourier-transform infrared (FT-IR) spectra were recorded on an Avatar Nicolet FT-IR spectrometer either neat with smart OMNI-transmission accessories or with KBr pellets using standard methods, with frequencies reported in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Liquid chromatography–high–resolution mass spectrometry (LC-HR/MS) spectra were obtained using a Waters G2-XS QTOF mass spectrometer, with samples dissolved in methanol. X-ray photoelectron Spectrometer (XPS) measurements were conducted on an ESCALAB 250Xi X-ray photoelectron spectrometer (Thermo Fisher) using an Al Ka source (15 kV, 10 mA) with Ar etching for 30 min (the charge of C-C carbon species here was corrected to 284.8 eV).

All reagents were commercially sourced from Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Limited Corporation or Shanghai Aladdin Biochemical Technology Co., Ltd., and used without further purification unless specified otherwise.  $\text{CO}_2$  ( $\text{CO}_2$ , 99.99%) and simulated flue gas ( $\text{CO}_2/\text{N}_2$ , Vol/Vol = 15:85) were procured from Ganzhou Shengda Gas Co., Ltd. Flash column chromatography was carried out using silica gel (300-400 mesh).

### 1.2 Synthesis and Characterization of Imidazolium Salts

#### Synthesis of Im-Br1-4

2-Bromoethyl glucoside (2.5 equivalent) and *N*-alkylated imidazole (1.0 equivalent) were dissolved in anhydrous acetonitrile and the solution was heated at  $120^\circ\text{C}$  for 48 hours. Upon cooling, the acetonitrile was evaporated

using a rotary evaporator. Purification was achieved by column chromatography on silica gel using a gradient elution of dichloromethane/methanol (V:V = 20:1 to 10:1), resulting in the isolation of products Im-Br1-4 (84-96%) as pale yellow solids.

### Synthesis of Im-Br5

Im-Br1 (0.131 g, 1.0 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous methanol (10 mL) and reacted with a catalytic quantity of freshly prepared sodium methoxide (NaOMe) to achieve a basic environment, maintaining a pH of about 9.0. The solution was stirred at room temperature (RT) overnight. Subsequent neutralization was carried out using dry Amberlite IR 120 (H<sup>+</sup>) resin to achieve a pH of around 7.0. The crude mixture underwent simple washing successively with NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, NaCl, and H<sub>2</sub>O. Solvent evaporation gave the product Im-Br5 (95%) as a pale yellow viscous liquid.

### Synthesis of Cat1-5

In a 100 mL round-bottom flask, Im-Br1 (0.131 g, 0.10 mmol) were dissolved in 50.0 mL of dichloromethane, and aqueous solution of sodium tetrachloropalladate (0.01 g·mL<sup>-1</sup>, 4.4 mL) was added in the flask and the mixture was stirred at RT overnight. The solution was washed twice with ultrapure water, then removed by rotary evaporation and dried under vacuum to get the product Cat1 (0.123 g, 92%) as a reddish brown solid. Cat2-4 were prepared in a similar method of that for Cat1. Cat2-4 absorb moisture easily and followed the trend of the other palladium salts, being reddish brown.

Im-Br1, 75%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.41 (s, 2H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.53 (s, 4H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 4H), 5.70 (s, 2H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.99 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 2H), 4.83 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 4H), 4.72 – 4.66 (m, 4H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (s, 2H), 4.10 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (s, 2H), 1.90 – 1.80 (m, 20H), 1.53 (s, 4H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 170.6, 169.9, 169.4, 169.3,

142.4, 133.4, 132.1, 130.8, 130.1, 127.2, 127.0, 114.3, 113.5, 100.0, 72.5, 71.6, 70.8, 68.0, 61.6, 53.6, 50.6, 49.9, 47.8, 20.8, 20.5, 20.5, 20.4 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3422.78, 3029.74, 2959.65, 1749.14, 1629.30, 1564.71, 1431.76, 1374.37, 1227.92, 1038.52, 909.18, 756.04, 604.81, 544.35, 433.80. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}-\text{Br}]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{54}\text{H}_{64}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}$ , 544.20515; found 544.20352.

Im-Br2, 80%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.78 (s, 2H), 7.74 (s, 2H), 7.54 (s, 4H), 7.49 (s, 2H), 5.57 (s, 4H), 5.16 (t,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 2H), 4.99 (t,  $J = 9.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.88 (dd,  $J = 9.6, 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.64 (dd,  $J = 18.1, 5.8$  Hz, 4H), 4.58 – 4.51 (m, 2H), 4.19 (dd,  $J = 12.5, 4.5$  Hz, 3H), 4.12 (dd,  $J = 16.9, 6.5$  Hz, 3H), 4.00 (dd,  $J = 9.6, 6.2$  Hz, 2H), 3.81 – 3.76 (m, 2H), 2.04 (s, 4H), 1.97 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 20H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.8, 170.2, 169.9, 169.7, 137.0, 134.4, 130.5, 123.6, 122.5, 100.5, 72.6, 72.1, 71.3, 68.5, 67.9, 62.0, 52.9, 50.0, 21.1, 20.8 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3422.68, 3142.06, 3094.39, 2959.81, 1749.10, 1633.94, 1563.48, 1436.24, 1373.71, 1228.29, 1163.63, 1039.94, 909.73, 840.19, 729.27, 603.28, 419.63. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}-\text{Br}]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{64}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}$ , 494.18950; found, 494.18950.

Im-Br3, 85%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.70 (d,  $J = 3.2$  Hz, 4H), 7.44 (s, 4H), 5.67 – 5.42 (m, 4H), 5.19 – 5.12 (m, 2H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.98 (t,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.83 – 4.77 (m, 2H), 4.67 (s, 3H), 4.57 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 3H), 4.22 (s, 1H), 4.14 – 4.06 (m, 4H), 3.83 (d,  $J = 6.0$  Hz, 2H), 3.49 – 3.29 (m, 2H), 2.70 (s, 6H), 2.05 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 6H), 2.01 – 1.96 (m, 14H), 1.94 (s, 4H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.9, 170.2, 169.8, 145.4, 134.4, 129.5, 122.4, 100.5, 72.7, 72.1, 71.3, 68.5, 68.2, 62.0, 53.7, 51.7, 48.9, 21.1, 20.8, 11.4 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3432.60, 2958.18, 1748.75, 1632.64, 1531.70, 1429.29, 1375.24, 1229.56, 1038.05, 910.28, 749.72, 599.75, 550.80, 408.41. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}-\text{Br}]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{60}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}$ , 508.20515; found, 508.20855.

Im-Br4, 88%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  10.02 (s, 2H), 8.11 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 4H), 5.78 (s, 4H), 4.51 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 4H), 1.34 – 1.20 (m,

24H), 0.83 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 5.5$  Hz, 6H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  143.5, 135.7, 132.4, 131.8, 130.0, 127.7, 115.0, 115.0, 50.4, 49.6, 48.0, 32.2, 29.5, 26.8, 23.1, 14.9 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3129.71, 3043.10, 2926.50, 1748.60, 1661.68, 1612.57, 1561.02, 1518.02, 1463.46, 1422.94, 1379.67, 1345.07, 1263.28, 1215.10, 1194.00, 1131.38, 1019.60, 860.72, 765.03, 684.52, 568.91. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-Br}]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_4$ , 282.20905; found, 282.21105.

Im-Br5, 94%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  10.08 (s, 2H), 8.15 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.96 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 4H), 7.57 (s, 4H), 5.82 (s, 4H), 5.24 (s, 2H), 5.09 (d,  $J = 30.9$  Hz, 2H), 4.77 (s, 3H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 4.24 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.15 – 4.09 (m, 2H), 4.04 – 3.97 (m, 2H), 3.18 – 3.08 (m, 4H), 3.03 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 2.92 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  144.5, 135.7, 132.3, 131.7, 123.0, 127.7, 115.2, 114.9, 104.1, 77.9, 77.5, 74.4, 71.0, 67.0, 62.0, 50.4, 48.2 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3388.07, 3130.84, 3060.75, 2965.42, 2922.13, 2853.27, 1742.99, 1632.36, 1557.80, 1515.89, 1452.93, 1372.23, 1344.86, 1287.08, 1218.65, 1197.41, 1162.93, 1076.70, 1034.22, 895.34, 863.37, 758.29, 666.36, 566.14. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-Br}]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{48}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{12}$ , 376.16289; found, 376.16494.

Cat1, 92%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.88 (s, 2H), 8.06 (s, 4H), 7.87 (s, 4H), 7.60 (s, 4H), 5.89 (s, 3H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 5.12 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.96 (d,  $J = 9.7$  Hz, 4H), 4.90 – 4.78 (m, 4H), 4.70 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 4.34 (s, 2H), 4.21 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.09 (d,  $J = 10.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 1.97 (d,  $J = 15.9$  Hz, 20H), 1.70 (s, 4H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.9, 170.2, 169.8, 142.2, 133.9, 132.6, 131.3, 130.9, 127.8, 114.8, 114.1, 100.5, 73.0, 72.0, 71.3, 68.5, 68.4, 62.0, 53.7, 51.4, 48.5, 21.2, 20.9, 20.9, 20.8 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3441.45, 2960.63, 1749.56, 1628.39, 1565.79, 1427.51, 1372.95, 1227.05, 1035.94, 749.83, 700.59, 599.07, 538.82, 430.84. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-PdCl}_4]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{54}\text{H}_{64}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}$ , 544.20515; found 544.20901.

Cat2, 98%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.35 (s, 2H), 7.93 (s, 4H), 7.62 (s, 2H), 7.51 (s, 2H), 5.68 (s, 3H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 5.18 (t,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 5.02 (t,

$J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.91 (t,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.74 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 4H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 4.31 (s, 2H), 4.23 (s, 4H), 4.16 (d,  $J = 11.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.88 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.01 (t,  $J = 15.8$  Hz, 24H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.9, 170.2, 170.0, 169.8, 136.6, 134.5, 130.9, 124.1, 122.8, 100.5, 72.7, 72.0, 71.4, 68.41, 68.2, 62.0, 53.7, 53.5, 50.5, 21.4, 21.3, 20.9 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3494, 3146, 2968, 1956, 1629, 1582, 1533, 1431, 1376, 1226, 1171, 1035, 912, 755, 604. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-PdCl}_4]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{64}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}$ , 494.18950; found, 494.19304.

Cat3, 98%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.71 (s, 4H), 7.65 (s, 2H), 7.60 (s, 2H), 5.65 (t,  $J = 17.8$  Hz, 4H), 5.20 (t,  $J = 9.4$  Hz, 2H), 5.04 (t,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.90 (t,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.75 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.64 (s, 4H), 4.36 (s, 2H), 4.31 – 4.19 (m, 4H), 4.15 (d,  $J = 11.4$  Hz, 2H), 3.89 (d,  $J = 9.3$  Hz, 2H), 2.90 (s, 6H), 2.10 (s, 6H), 2.02 (d,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 18H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  171.0, 170.3, 170.0, 169.9, 145.4, 134.2, 130.1, 122.9, 122.5, 100.5, 72.9, 72.0, 71.4, 68.5, 68.2, 62.0, 52.5, 49.5, 21.4, 21.3, 21.0, 12.0 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3480, 3146, 3105, 2968, 2934, 2860, 1752, 1629, 1561, 1431, 1377, 1226, 1165, 1042, 987, 912, 803, 727, 604. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-PdCl}_4]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{60}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}$ , 508.20515; found, 508.20871.

Cat4, 95%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  10.01 (s, 2H), 8.10 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.67 (t,  $J = 5.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.55 (s, 4H), 5.78 (s, 4H), 4.50 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 4H), 1.30 (d,  $J = 3.1$  Hz, 8H), 1.23 (d,  $J = 11.0$  Hz, 16H), 0.85 – 0.81 (m, 6H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  143.5, 135.7, 132.4, 131.9, 129.9, 127.8, 115.0, 114.9, 50.5, 48.0, 32.20, 29.5, 29.5, 29.5, 26.8, 23.1, 15.0 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3124.38, 3027.67, 2955.04, 2923.84, 2852.83, 1717.73, 1633.64, 1613.73, 1456.48, 1422.46, 1340.72, 1261.30, 1261.30, 1215.89, 1179.74, 1094.89, 1018.06, 868.22, 802.31, 752.41, 689.51, 602.02, 570.65. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-PdCl}_4]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_4$ , 282.20905; found, 282.21053.

Cat5, 97%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$  10.10 (s, 2H), 8.14 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.67 – 7.59 (m, 4H), 7.57 (s, 4H), 5.82 (s, 4H),

5.27 (d,  $J = 18.8$  Hz, 2H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.76 (s, 4H), 4.23 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 4.01 (s, 2H), 3.15 (t,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 3.12 – 3.07 (m, 2H), 3.03 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  144.6, 135.7, 132.3, 131.7, 130.0, 127.8, 115.3, 114.9, 104.1, 77.9, 77.5, 74.4, 71.0, 67.1, 61.9, 50.4, 48.3 ppm. FT-IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2973.83, 2923.74, 2856.07, 1745.01, 1633.75, 1556.04, 1518.69, 1487.36, 1455.67, 1421.58, 1373.17, 1339.25, 1218.69, 1186.56, 1070.35, 1024.42, 949.53, 856.57, 758.90, 652.34, 599.07, 566.15, 534.58. HR-MS  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M-PdCl}_4]^{2+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{48}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{12}$ , 376.16289; found, 376.16457.

### 1.3 Synthesis and Characterization of Propargylic Amines

For the synthesis of propargylic amine **6**, propargyl halide (1.0 mmol) was added dropwise to the corresponding amine (3.0 mmol) at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  in the dark, and the mixture was slowly warmed to RT. The reaction was then stirred for 12-24 hours. Subsequently, NaOH and dichloromethane were introduced. After extracting the aqueous layer with dichloromethane, the organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , and the solvent was evaporated. The crude product was further purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel using a gradient elution of  $V_{\text{PE}}/V_{\text{EA}} = 20:1$ .

### 1.4 General Procedure for the Synthesis of Propargylic

#### Amines with $\text{CO}_2$

In a standard procedure, Cat1 (0.25-0.5 mol%), propargylic amine **6** (0.05 mmol), and NaOAc (0.075 mmol) were combined in DMSO (1.0 mL) within a reaction vessel. A simulated flue gas ( $\text{CO}_2/\text{N}_2$ , Vol/Vol = 15:85, bubbling) was introduced into the preheated reaction mixture using a long hollow needle ( $\varnothing$  0.7  $\times$  200 mm) immersed in a  $70^\circ\text{C}$  oil bath. The reaction mixture was then stirred for a specified duration. The yield was quantified using  $^1\text{H}$  NMR



spectroscopy. To determine the isolated yields of purified products, the crude material was concentrated and subjected to purification via column chromatography on silica gel using a gradient elution of petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (V:V = 20:1 to 10:1). The isolated yields were calculated based on the initial reactants.

## 2. Catalytic Section

**2.1 Table S1. Comparison of TOFs with Other Reported Catalysts**

Entry	Catalyst	T (°C)/t (h)	P (atm)	TOF (h <sup>-1</sup> )	TON	Cycles	Ref.
<b>1</b>	<b>Cat1</b>	<b>70/0.083</b>	<b>0.15</b>	<b>3456</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Herein</b>
2	CuI/DBU	50/4	1.0	2	8	/	1
3	AgOAc	25/7	1.0	7	49	/	2
4	AgNO <sub>3</sub> /DBU	60/2	1.0	94	188	/	3
5	CoBr <sub>2</sub> /TBD	80/9	1.0	1	9	/	4
6	ZnCl <sub>2</sub> (TBD) <sub>2</sub>	60/12	1.0	2	24	/	5
7	Ag <sub>27</sub> -MOF	25/6	1.0	16	96	4	6
8	TOS-Ag <sub>4</sub>	25/24	1.0	4	96	5	7
9	Zn <sub>116</sub>	70/12	1.0	31	372	10	8
10	PdSCS	50/0.33	1.0	60	19.8	/	9
11	Ag@TpPa-1	60/18	1.0	17	306	5	10
12	Ag@2,6-FPP-TAPT	50/2	1.0	964	1928	4	11
13	Cu <sub>2</sub> O@ZIF-8	40/6	1.0	3.3	19.8	5	12
14	Cu <sup>I</sup> /Cu <sup>II</sup> -MOF	30/0.17	1.0	230	39.1	5	13
15	Pd@BBA-2	40/2	1.0	43.68	87.36	5	14
15	AuCl(IPr)	40/15	1.0	3.0	45	/	15
16	AgCl(IPr)	40/15	1.0	3.0	45	/	16
17	[Au]	RT/24	air	5.33	127.9	/	17
18	Ag-HMP-2	60/20	1.0	10.6	212	/	18

Entry	Catalyst	T (°C)/t (h)	P (atm)	TOF (h <sup>-1</sup> )	TON	Cycles	Ref.
19	Ag-MOF-1	RT/24	1.0	0.56	13.44	/	19
20	2Gn[TEG][Au]	RT/24	1.0	1.77	42.48	/	20
21	AcGlu-Im-PdCl <sub>4</sub>	70/0.5	0.15	1440	720	/	21
22	Ag <sub>4</sub> NC	25/2	1.0	2873	5746	5	22
23	Cu <sub>6</sub> -NH <sub>2</sub>	30/1.5	1.0	387	580.5	5	23
24	AcGlu-Im-Br <b>3</b> /CuBr <sub>2</sub>	80/0.33	1.0	400	132	/	24
25	Cu <sup>I</sup> -TpBD-COF	80/5	1.0	1058	5290	9	25
26	Cu <sup>I</sup> /Cu <sup>II</sup> DAWN	40/5	1.0	38.4	192	5	26

### 3. Characterizations

#### 3.1 Comparative NMR Spectra of Imidazolium Salts

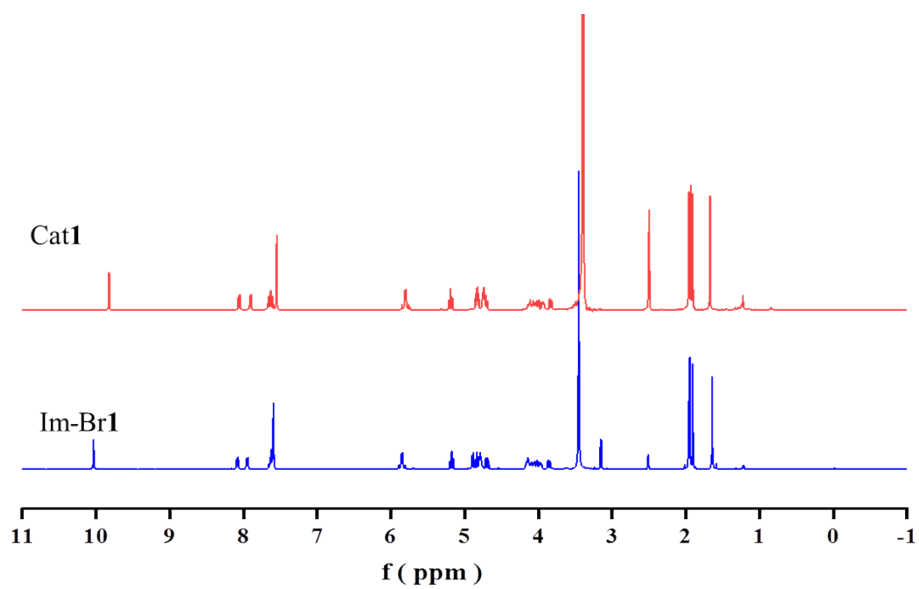


Fig. S1 <sup>1</sup>H NMR of Cat1/Im-Br1 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

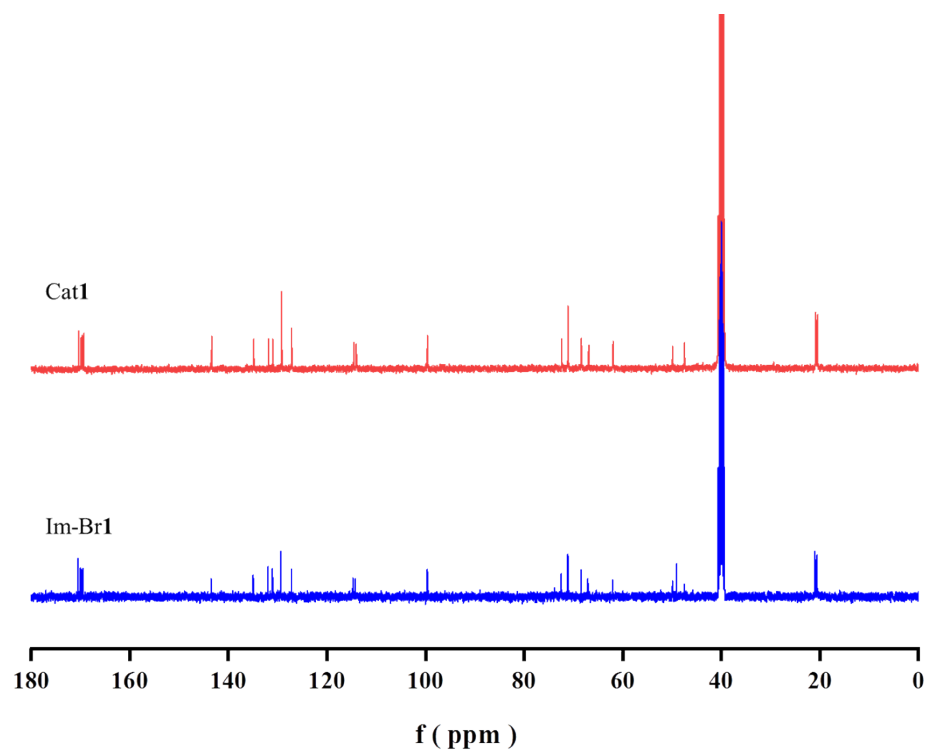


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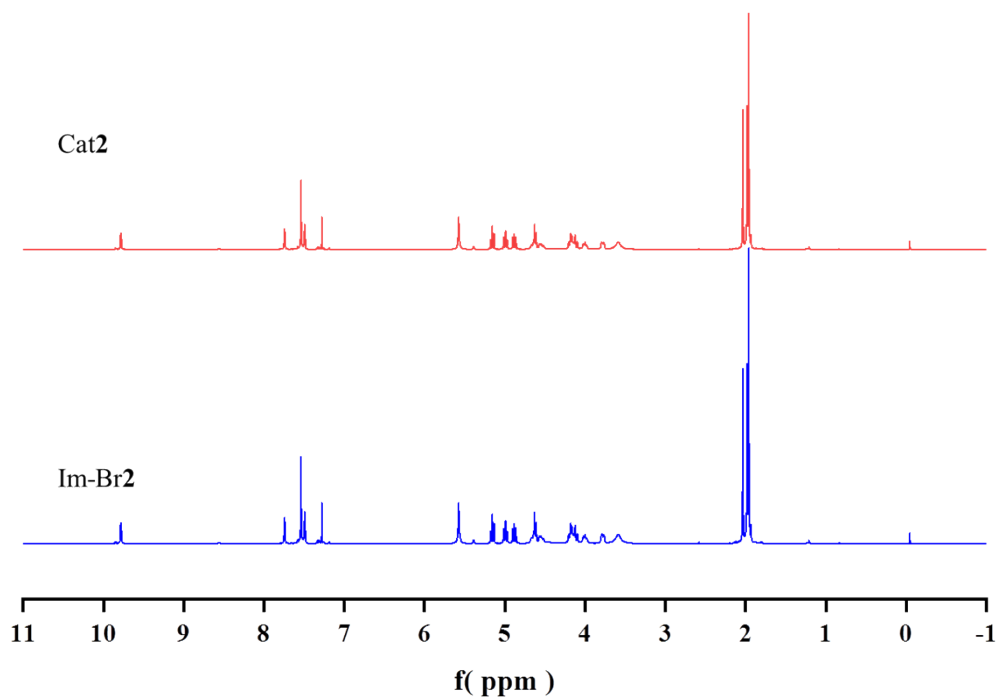


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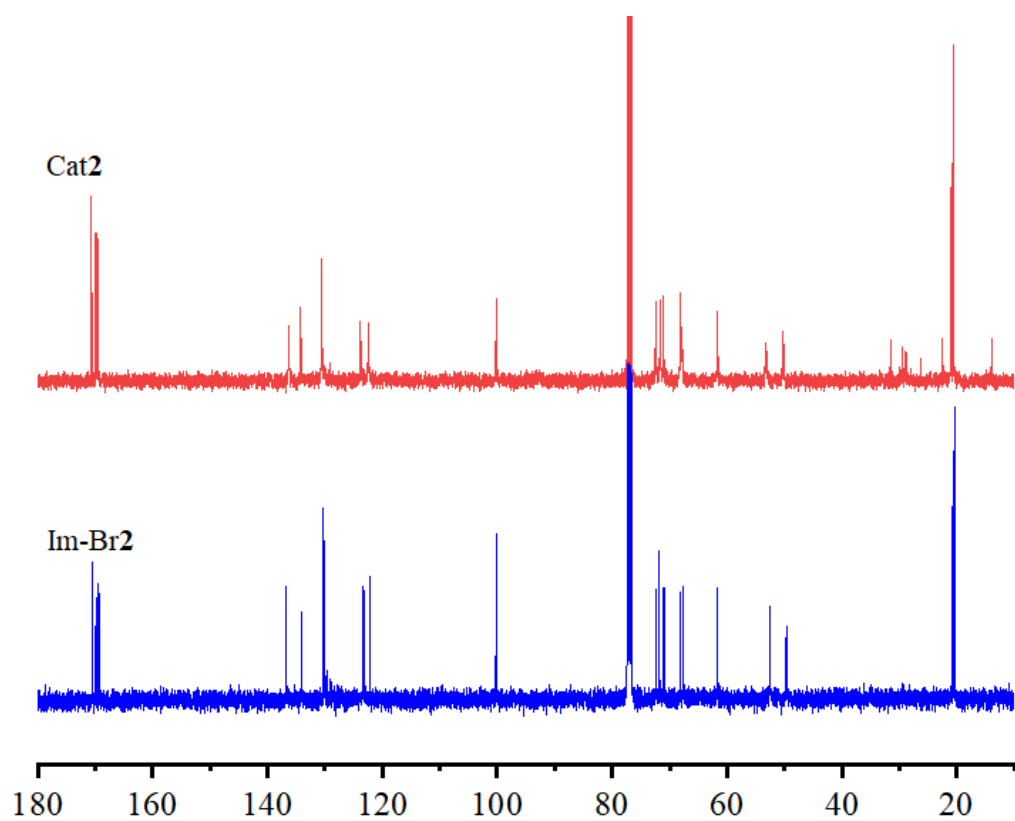


Fig. S4 <sup>13</sup>C NMR of Cat2/Im-Br2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

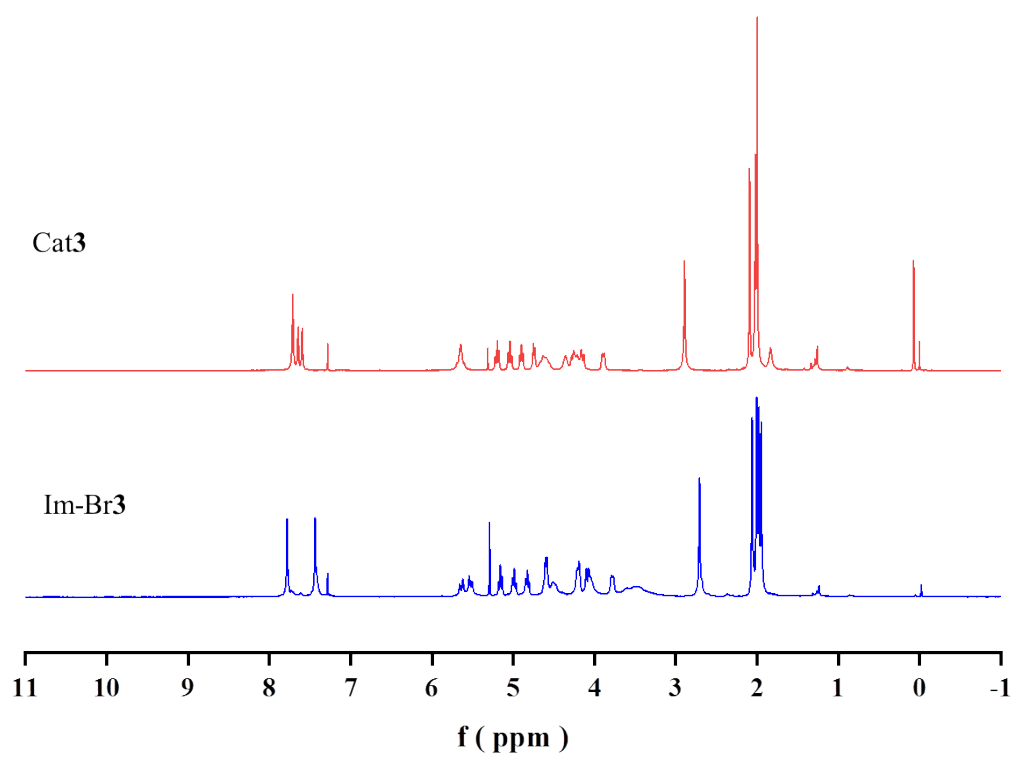


Fig. S5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR of Cat3/Im-Br3 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

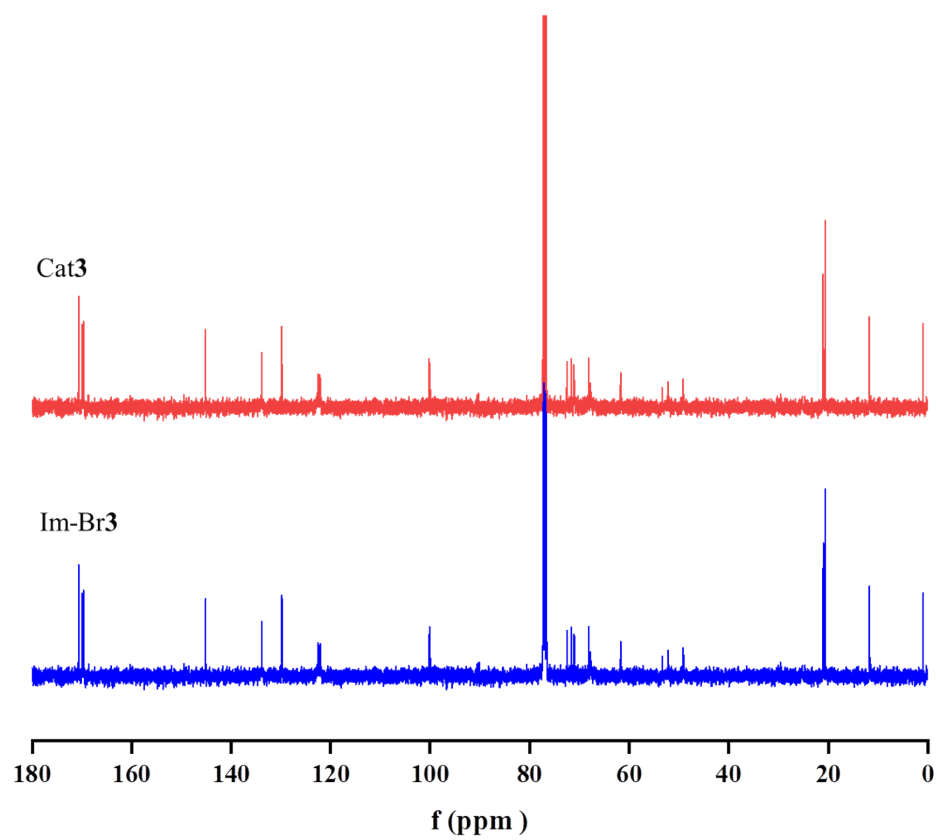


Fig. S6 <sup>13</sup>C NMR of Cat3/Im-Br3 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

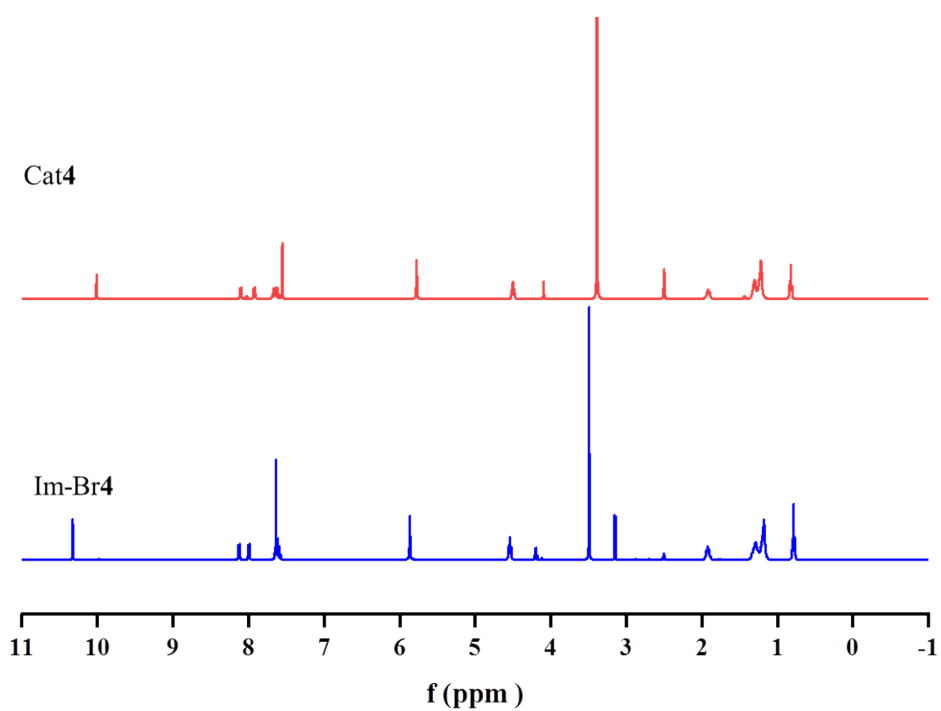


Fig. S7 <sup>1</sup>H NMR of Cat4/Im-Br4 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

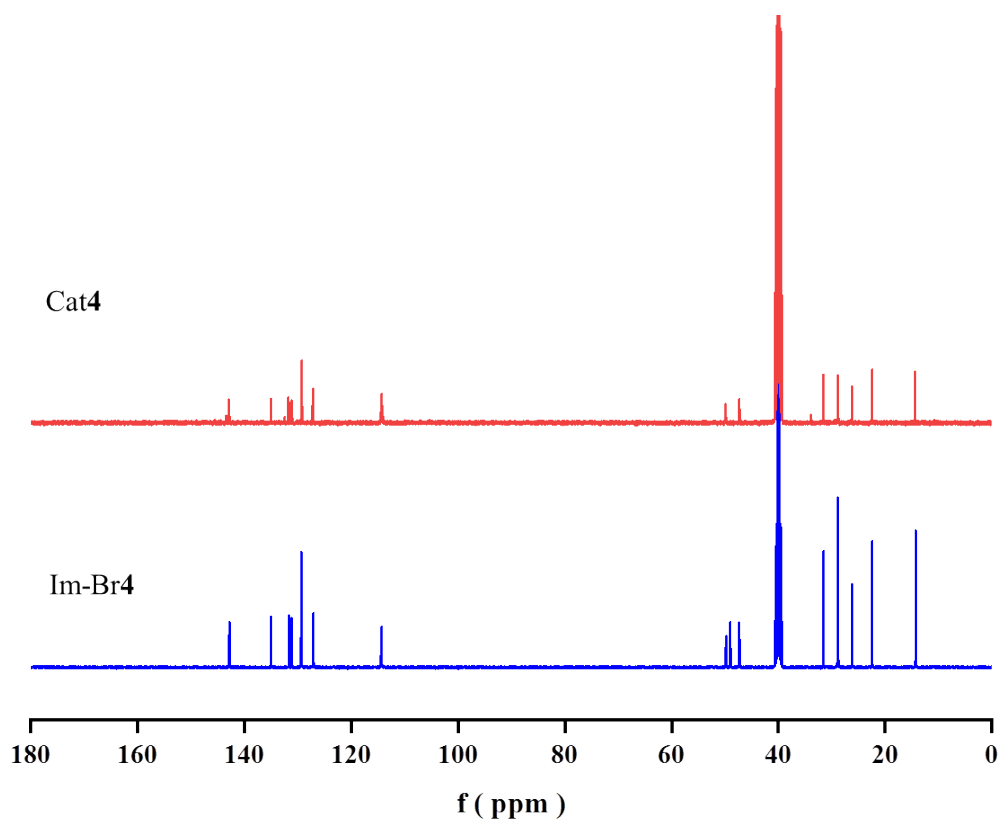


Fig. S8 <sup>13</sup>C NMR of Cat4/Im-Br4 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

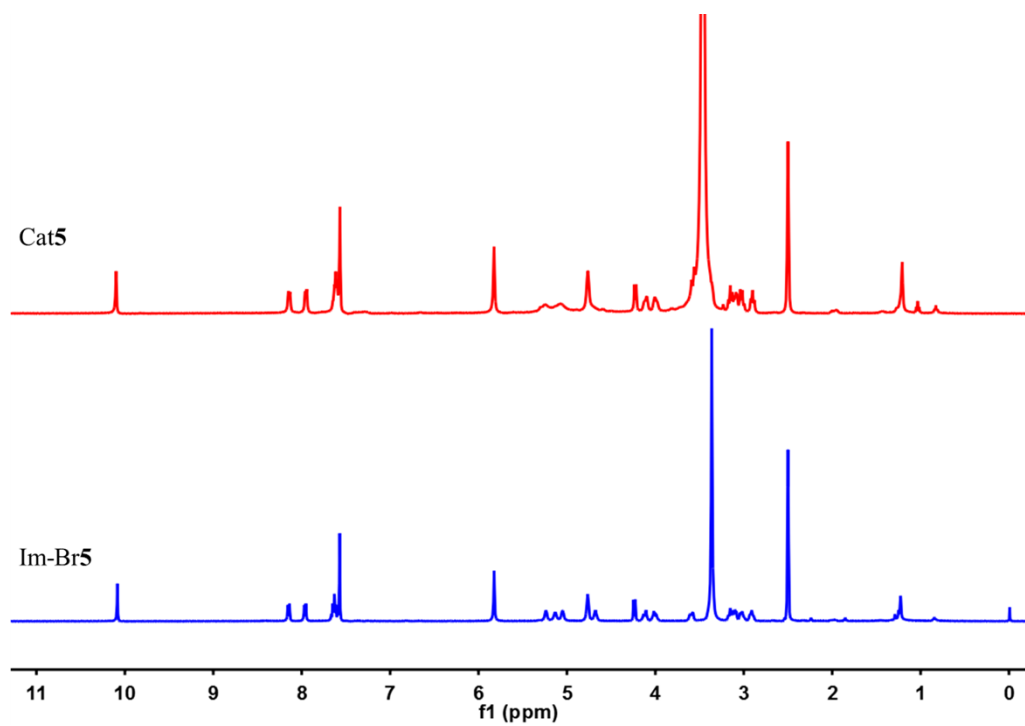


Fig. S9  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Cat5/Im-Br5 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

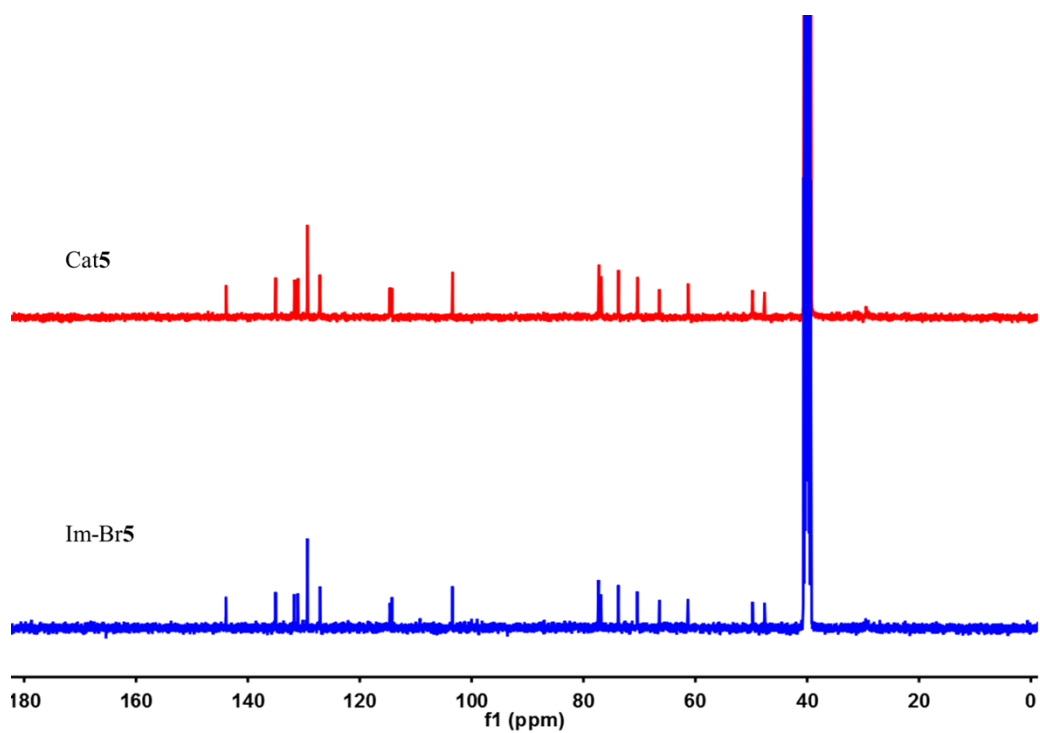


Fig. S10  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Cat5/Im-Br5 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

### 3.2 Comparative FT-IR Spectra of Imidazolium Salts

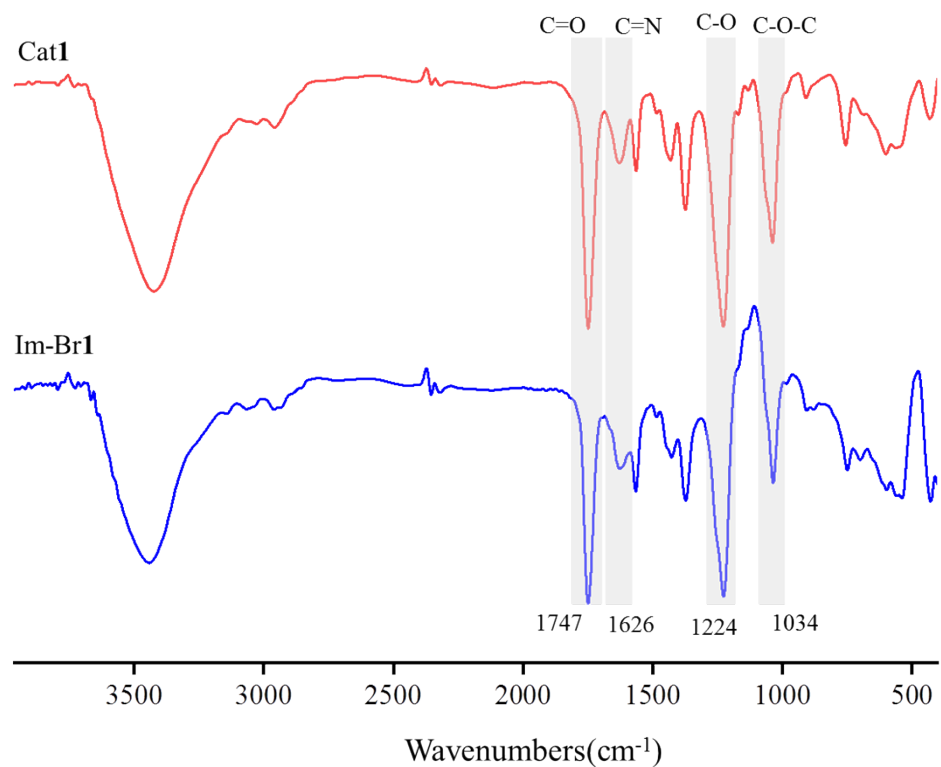


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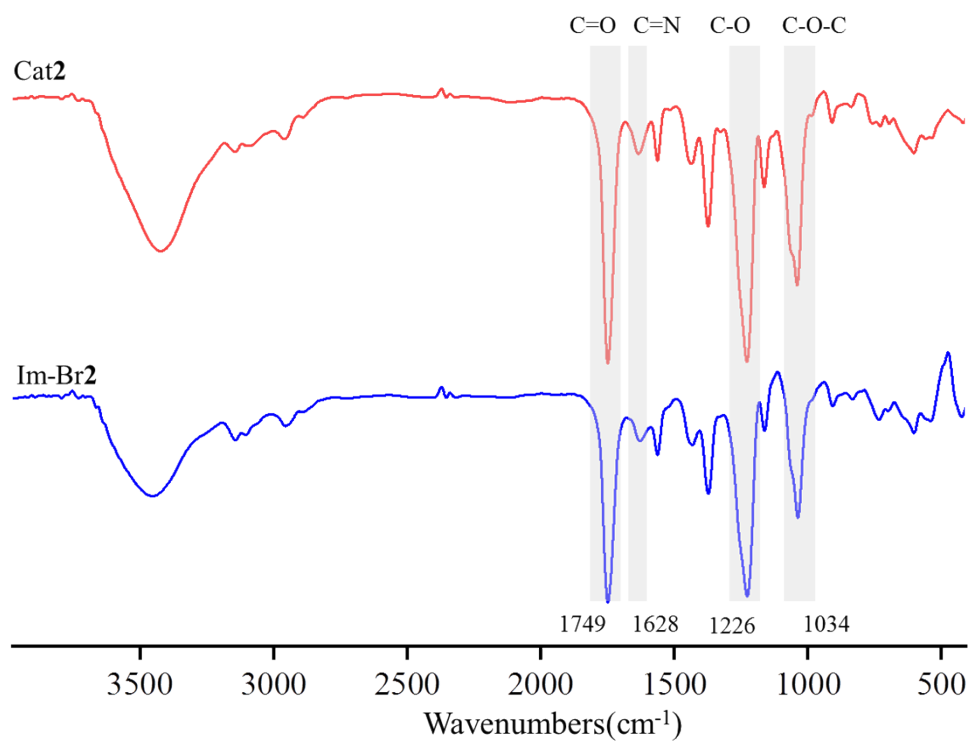


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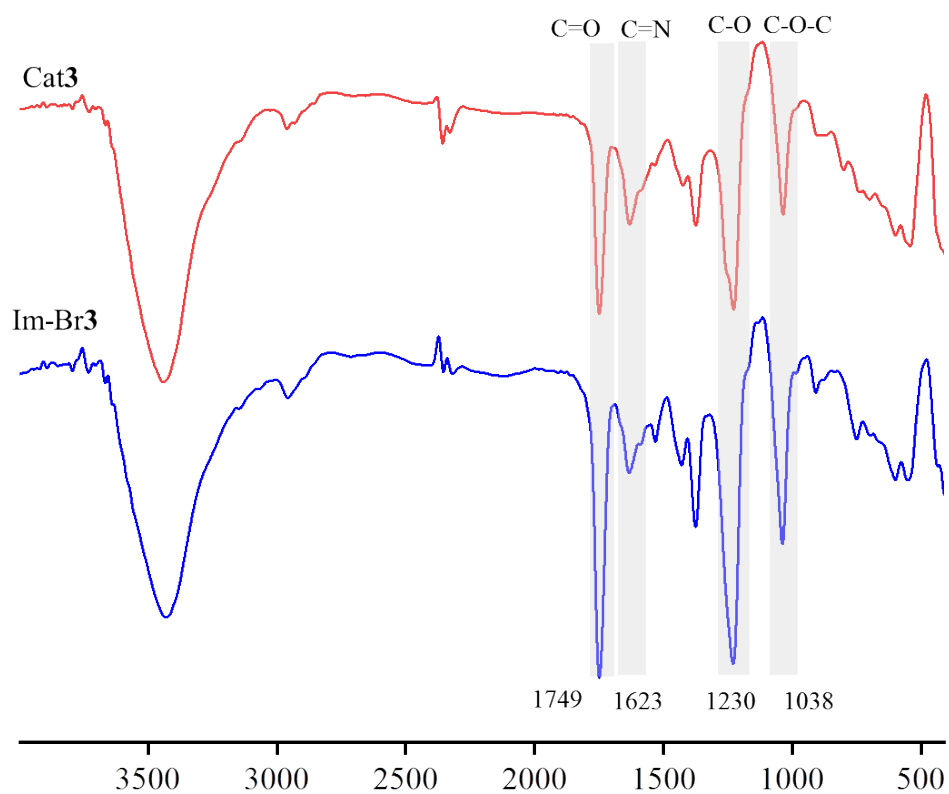


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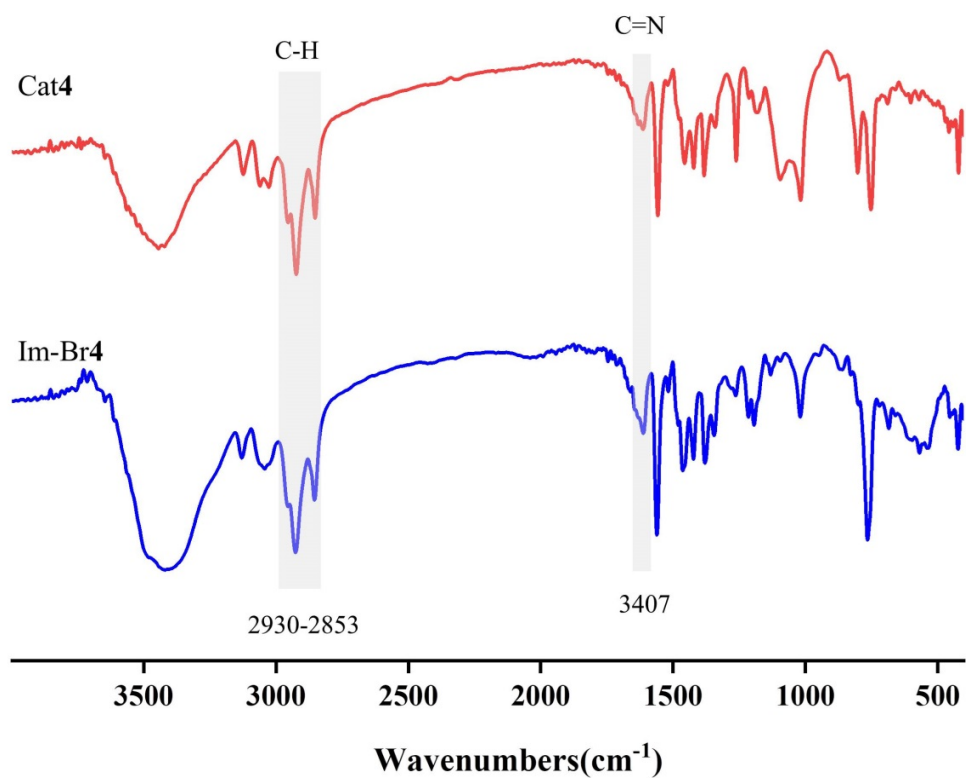


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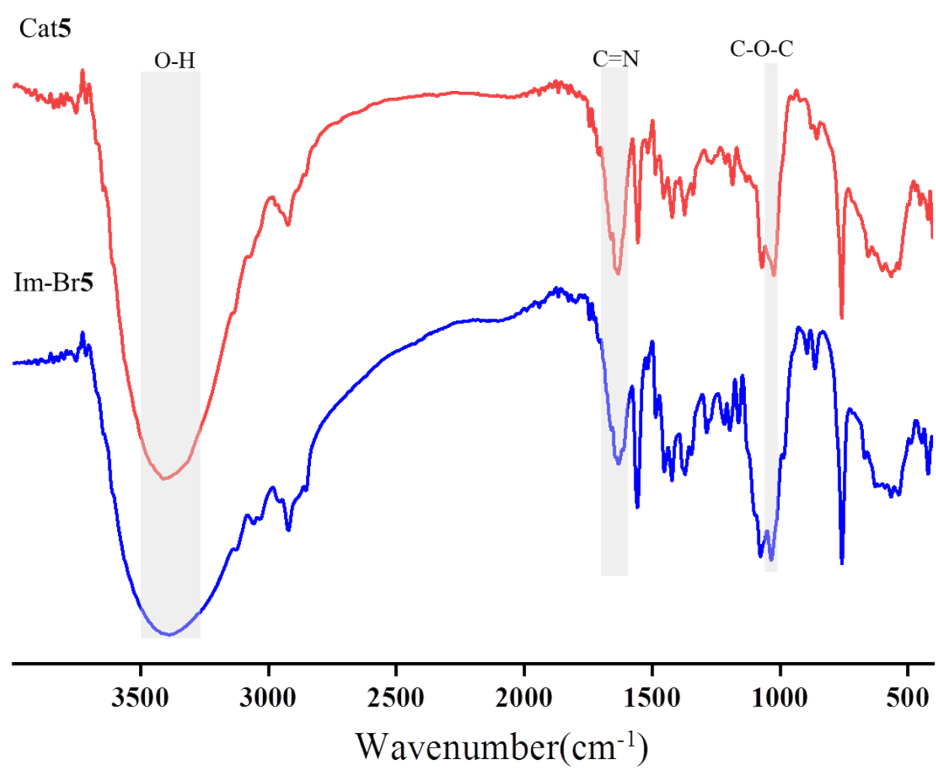


Fig. S15 FT-IR of Cat5/Im-Br5.

### 3.3 HR-MS Spectra of Imidazolium Salts

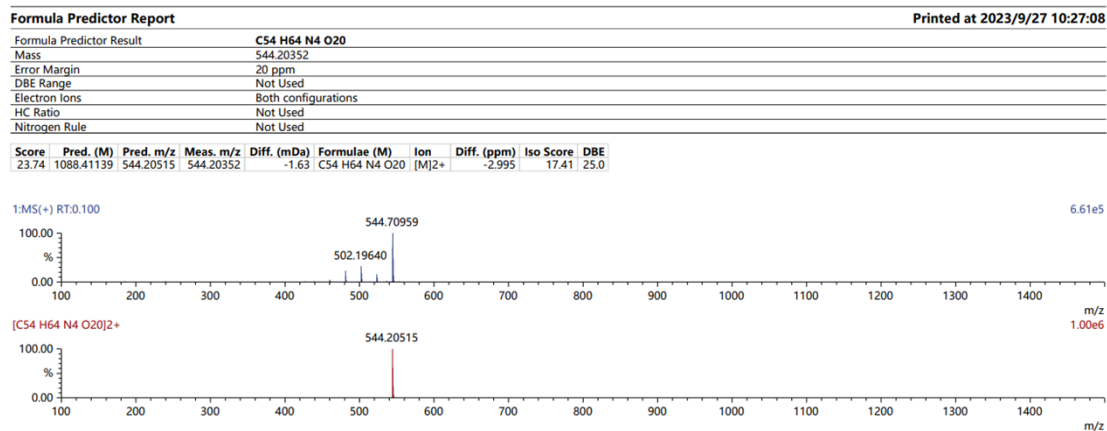


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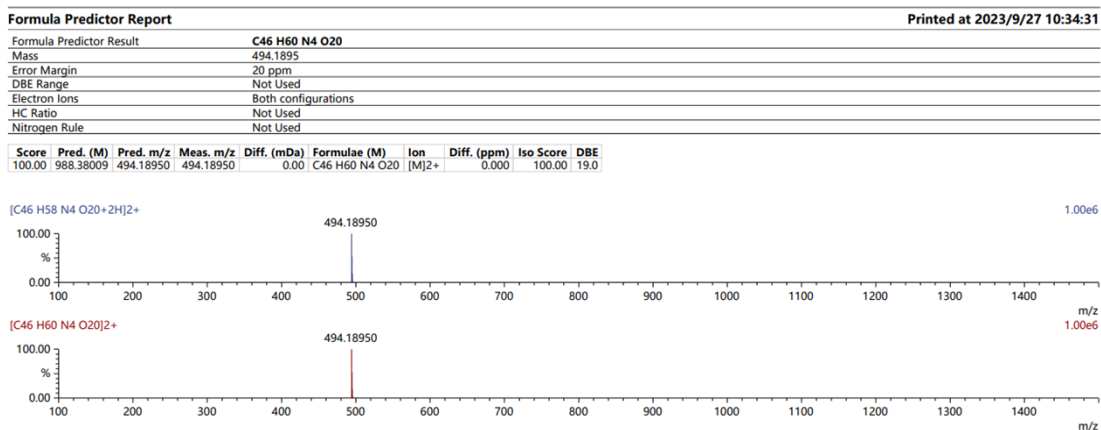


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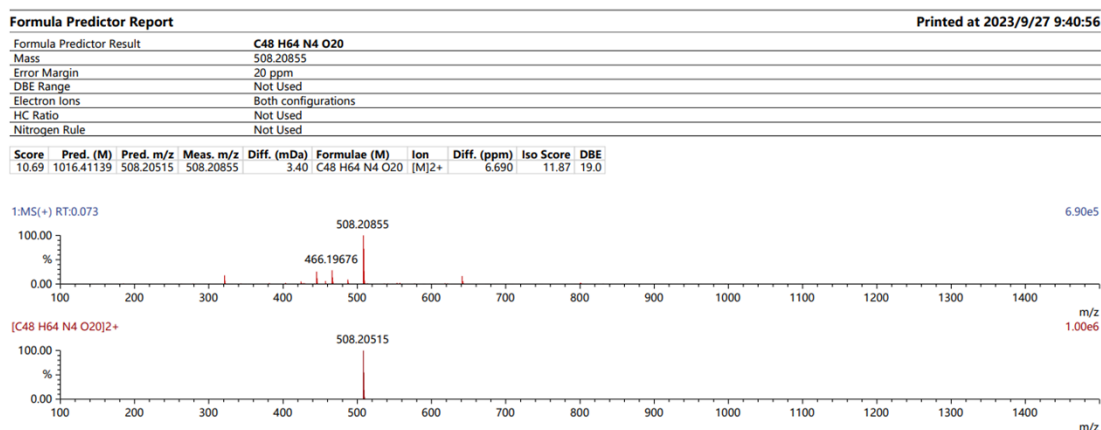


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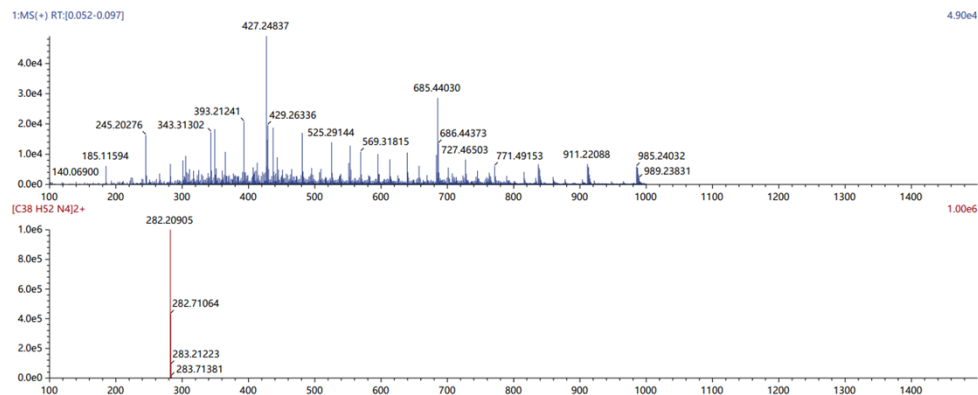


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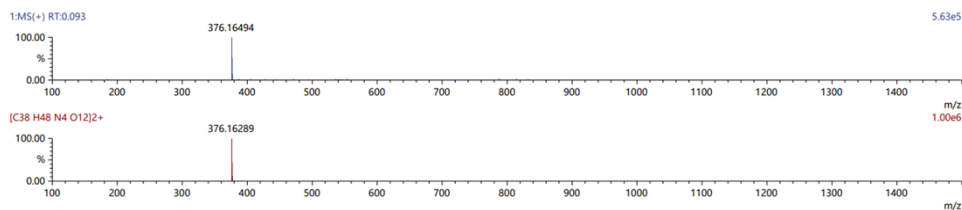


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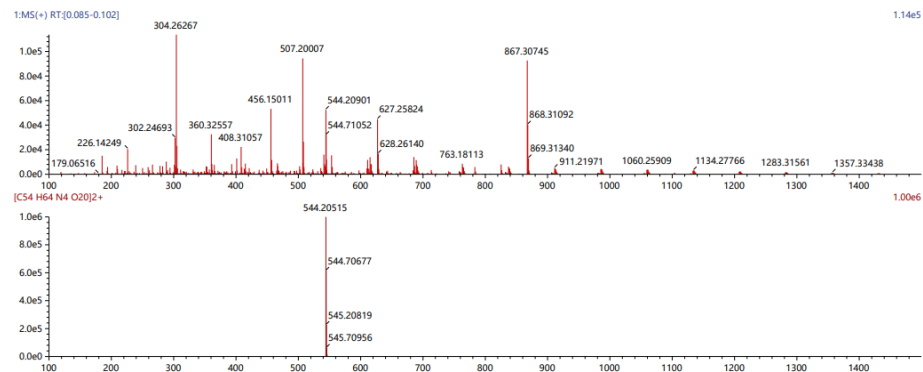


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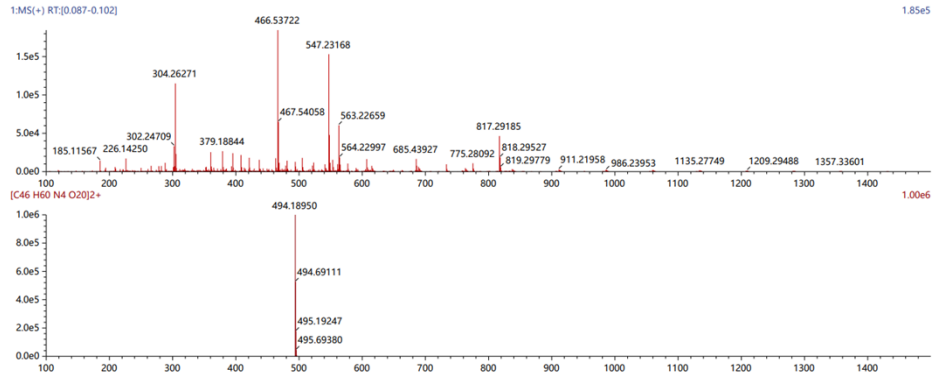


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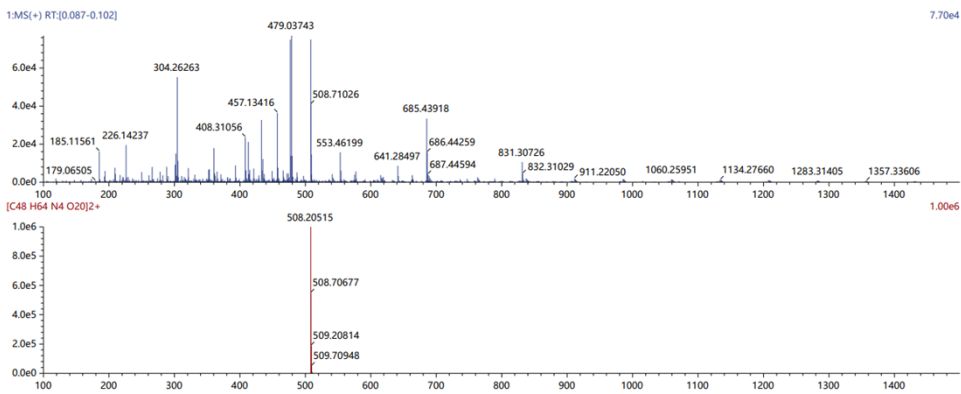


Fig. S23 HR/LC-MS of Cat3.

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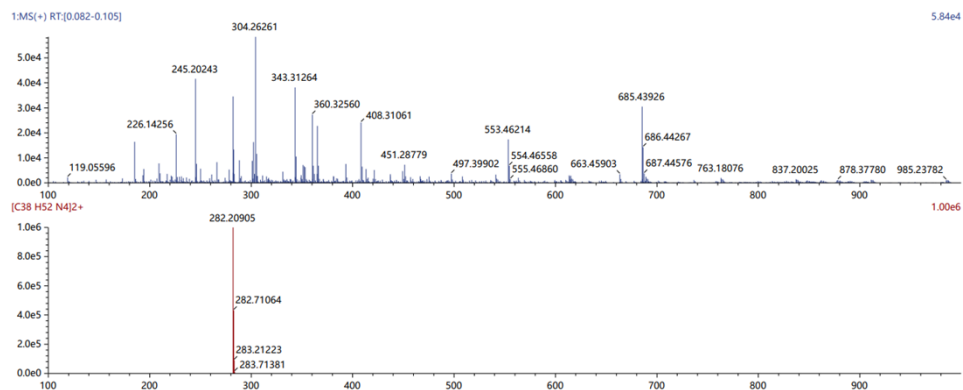


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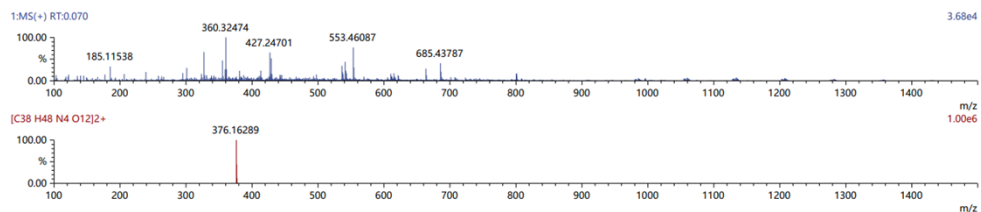


Fig. S25 HR/LC-MS of Cat5.

### 3.4 XPS Spectra of Cat1 and Cat5

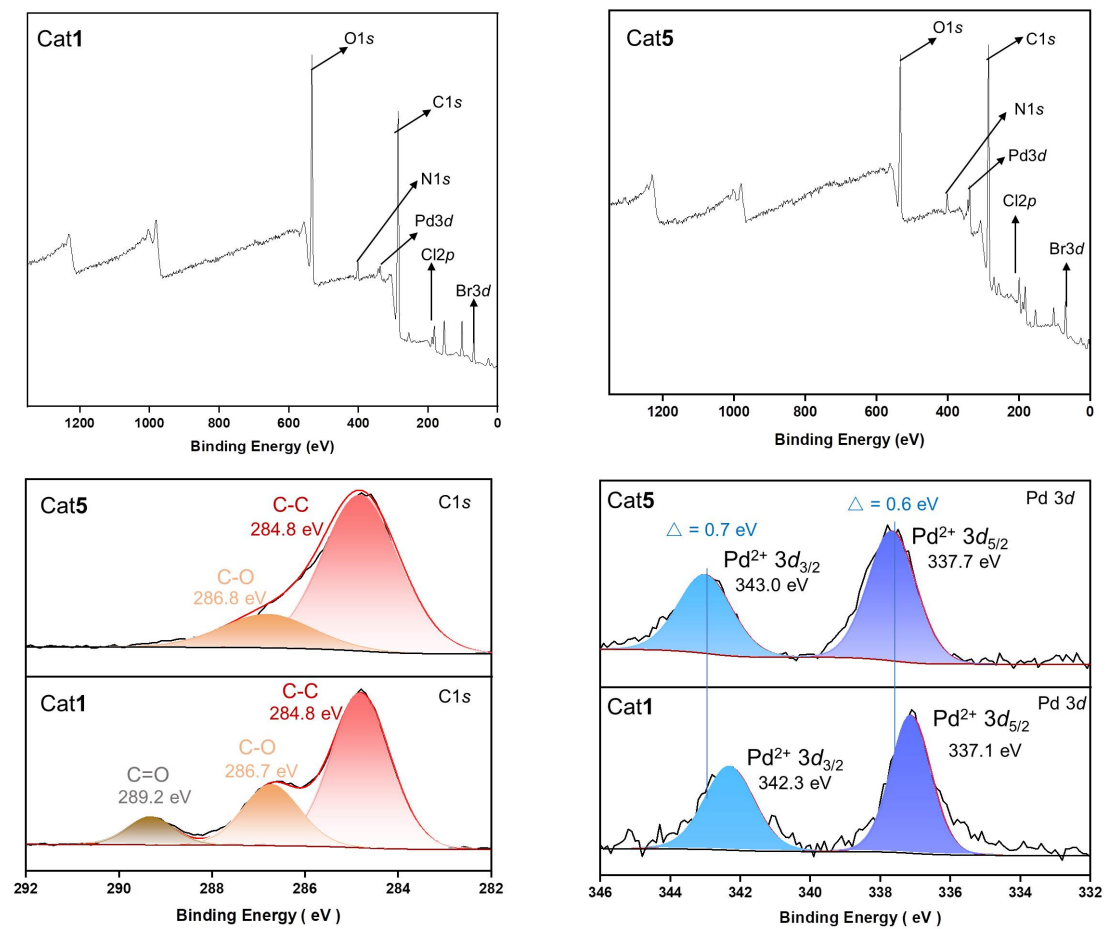


Fig. S26 XPS spectra of Cat1 and Cat5.

### 3.5 TGA Spectra of Cat1-5

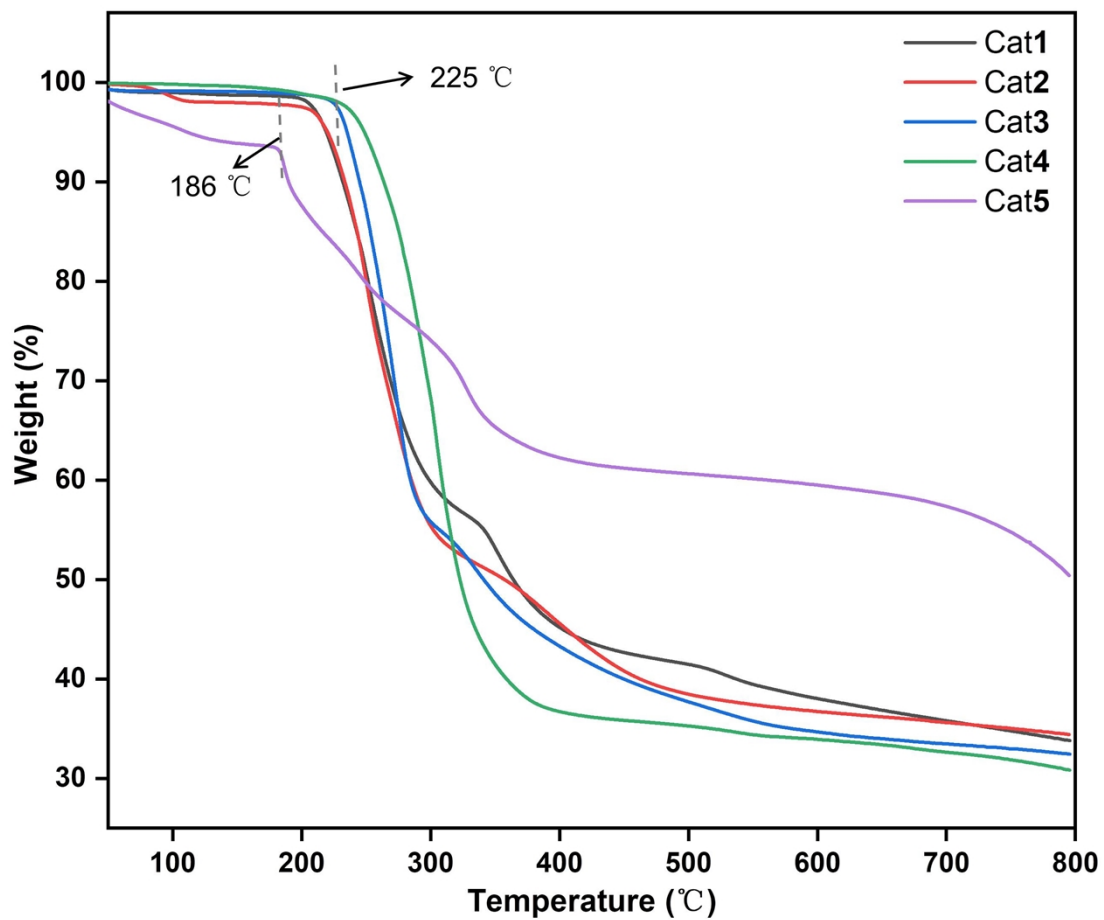


Fig. S27 TGA spectra of Cat1-5.



### 3.6 NMR Spectra and Color of Cat1 at Different Temperatures

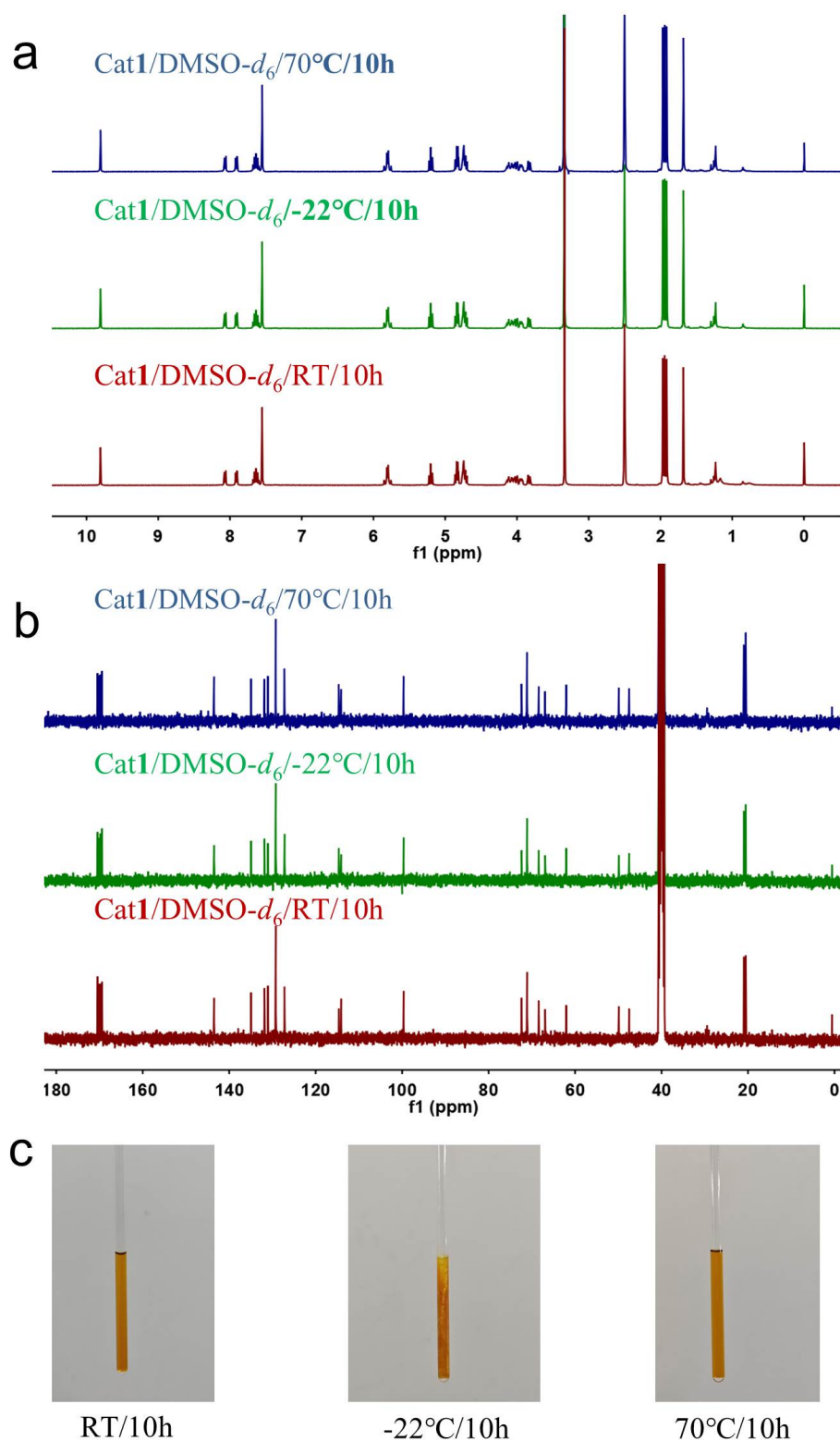


Fig. S28 NMR spectra (a and b) and color (c) of Cat1 in DMSO- $d_6$  at -22°C, 25-30°C, and 70°C.

## 4. Kinetic Experiments

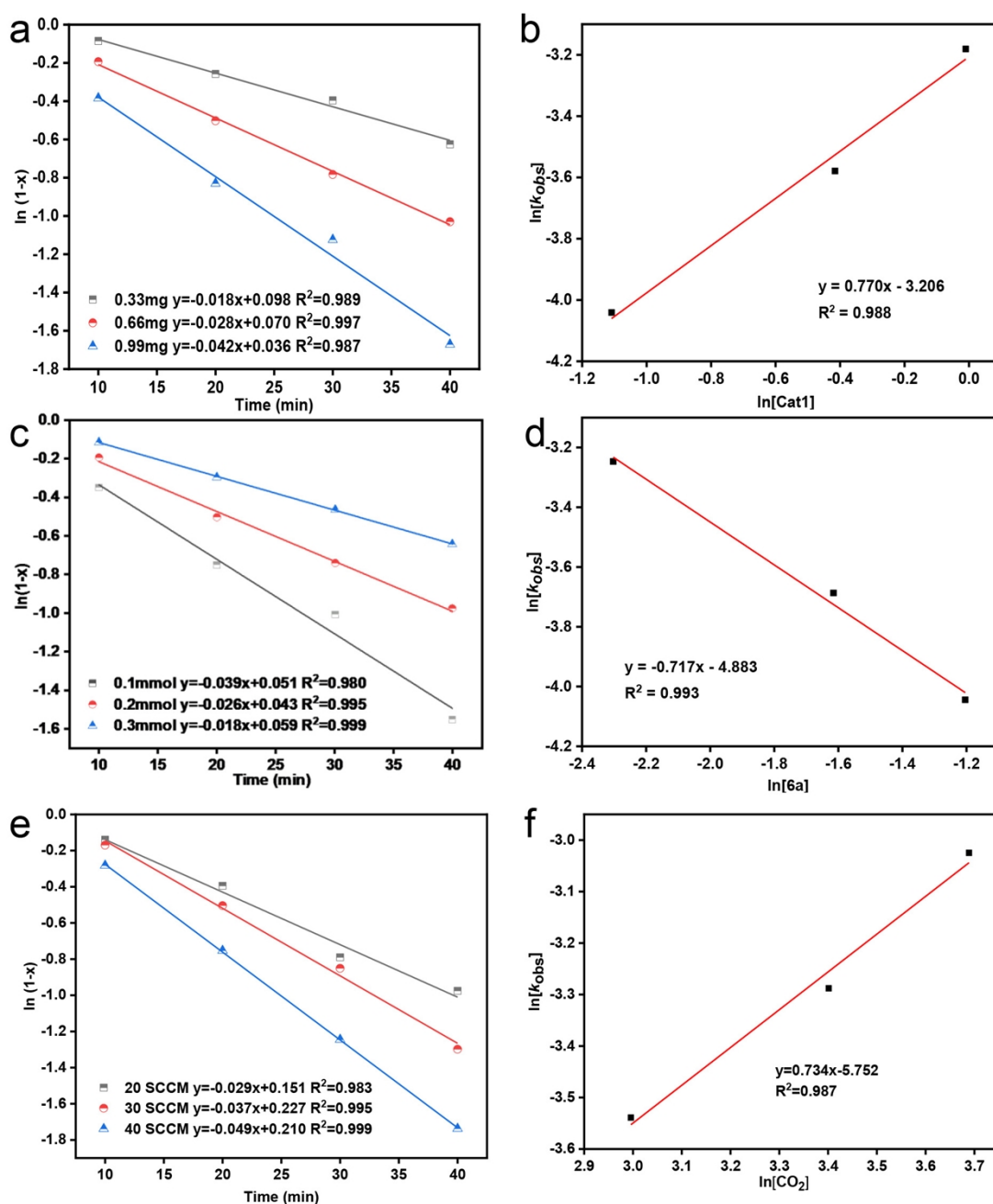


Fig. S29 a Pseudo-first order kinetic plots ( $\ln(1-x)$  versus time) of three different dosages of Cat1. b Curve fitting of  $\ln[k_{obs}]$  against  $\ln[Cat1]$ . c Pseudo-first order kinetic plots  $\ln(1-x)$  versus time of three different concentrations of 6a. d Curve fitting of  $\ln[k_{obs}]$  against  $\ln[6a]$ ; e Pseudo-first order kinetic plots ( $\ln(1-x)$  versus time) of three different flow rates of CO<sub>2</sub>. f curve fitting of  $\ln[k_{obs}]$  against  $\ln[CO_2]$ .

## 5. Gram-scale Reaction, Product Properties, and $^1\text{H}$ NMR

### Spectra

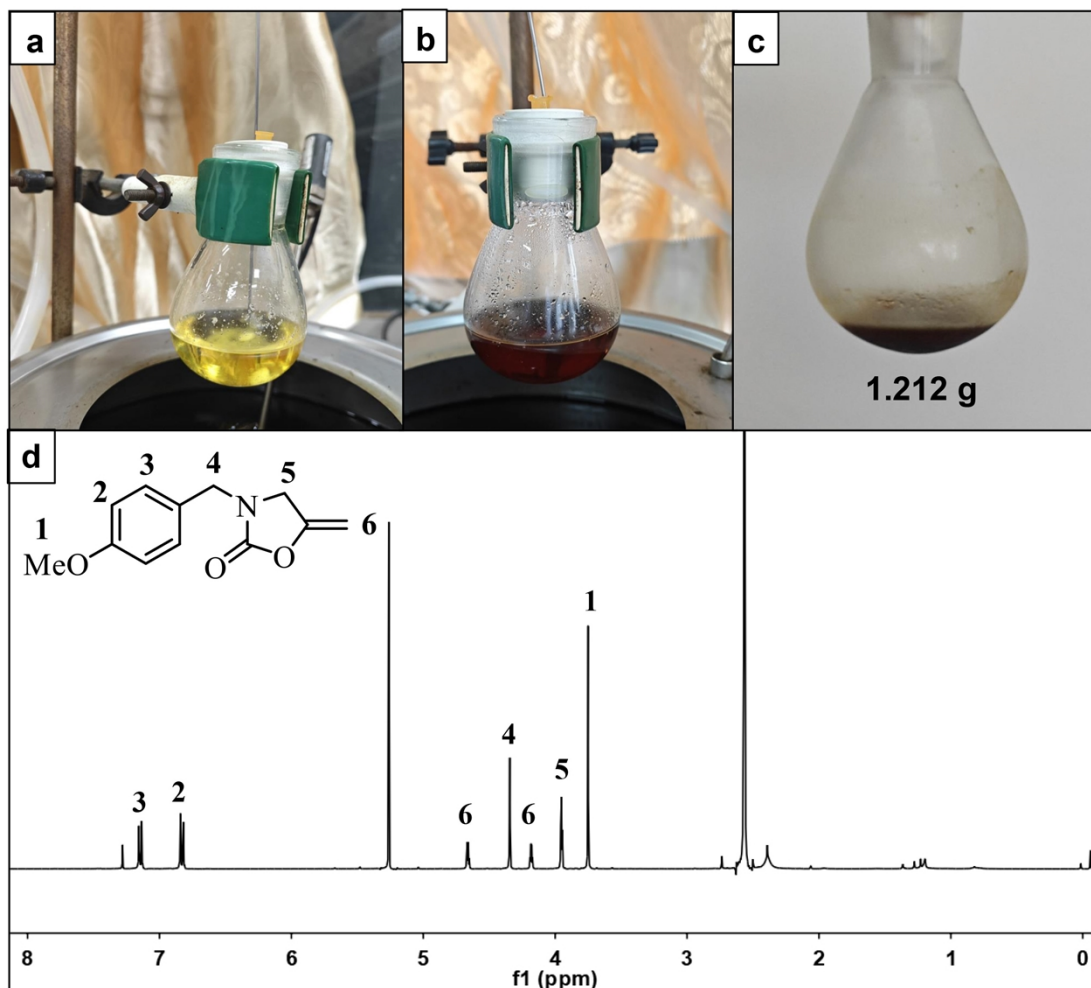


Fig. S30 Gram-scale synthesis. The reactions were carried out with **6a** (6.0 mmol, 1.05 g), Cat1 (5.0 mol%, 6.6 mg), simulated flue gas (bubbling), NaOAc (3.0 mmol, 0.246 g), DMSO (20.0 mL) and stirred at 70 °C for 3.0 h. a System color before reaction; b System color after reaction. c Properties of purified product **7a**. d  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of purified product **7a**.

## 6. Catalyst Stability Evaluation

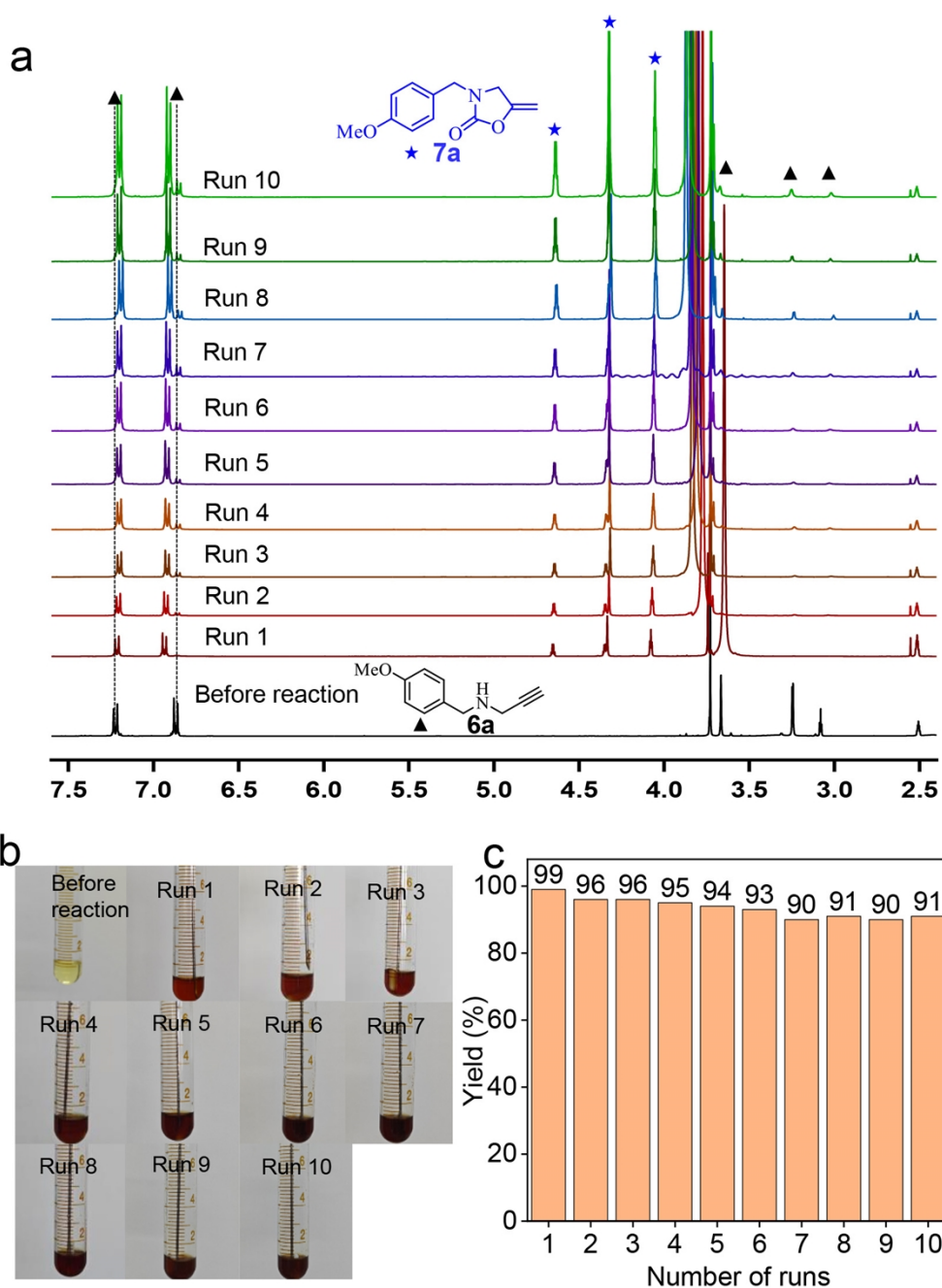


Fig. S31 The cycle catalytic performance of catalyst Cat1. Reaction conditions: **6a** (0.1 mmol, 17.5 mg), Cat1 (0.5 mol%, 0.66 mg), simulated flue gas (bubbling), NaOAc (0.3 mmol, 24.6 mg), DMSO (1.0 mL) and stirred at 70°C for 1.0 h. After each reaction, fresh **6a** was added to the catalytic system. Yields were determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. a Catalyst recycling study for Cat1. b Photos of catalytic system. c  $^1\text{H}$  NMR tracked catalytic system.

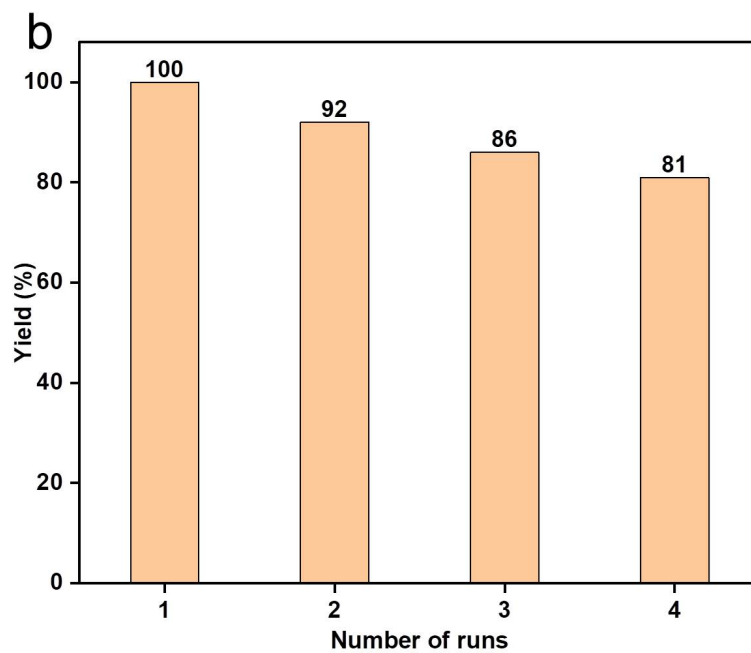
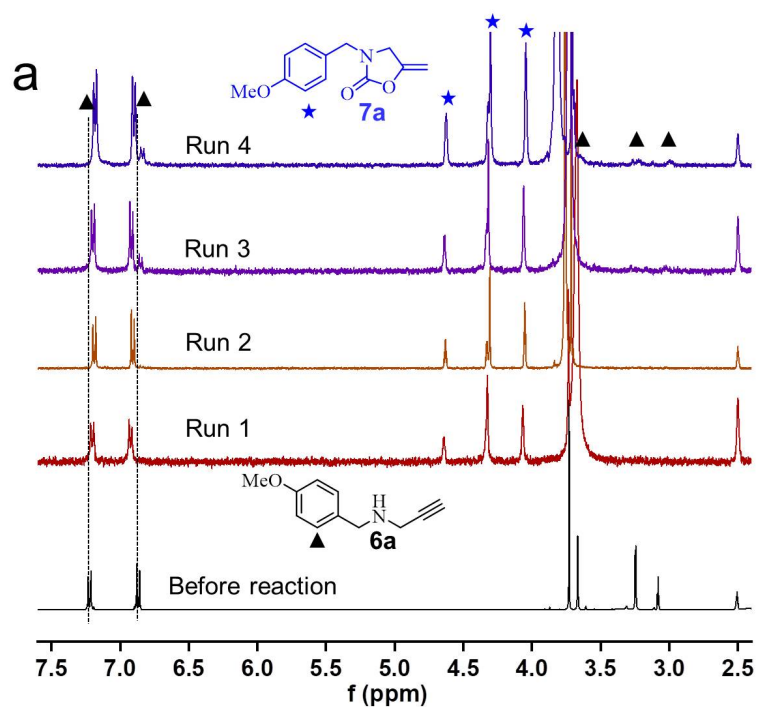


Fig. S32 The cycle catalytic performance of catalyst Cat5. Reaction conditions: **6a** (0.1 mmol, 17.5 mg), Cat5 (0.75 mol%, 0.78 mg), simulated flue gas (bubbling), NaOAc (0.3 mmol, 24.6 mg), DMSO- $d_6$  (1.0 mL) and stirred at 70°C for 1.0 h. After each reaction, fresh **6a** was added to the catalytic system. Yields were determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. a Catalyst recycling study for Cat5. b  $^1\text{H}$  NMR tracked catalytic system.

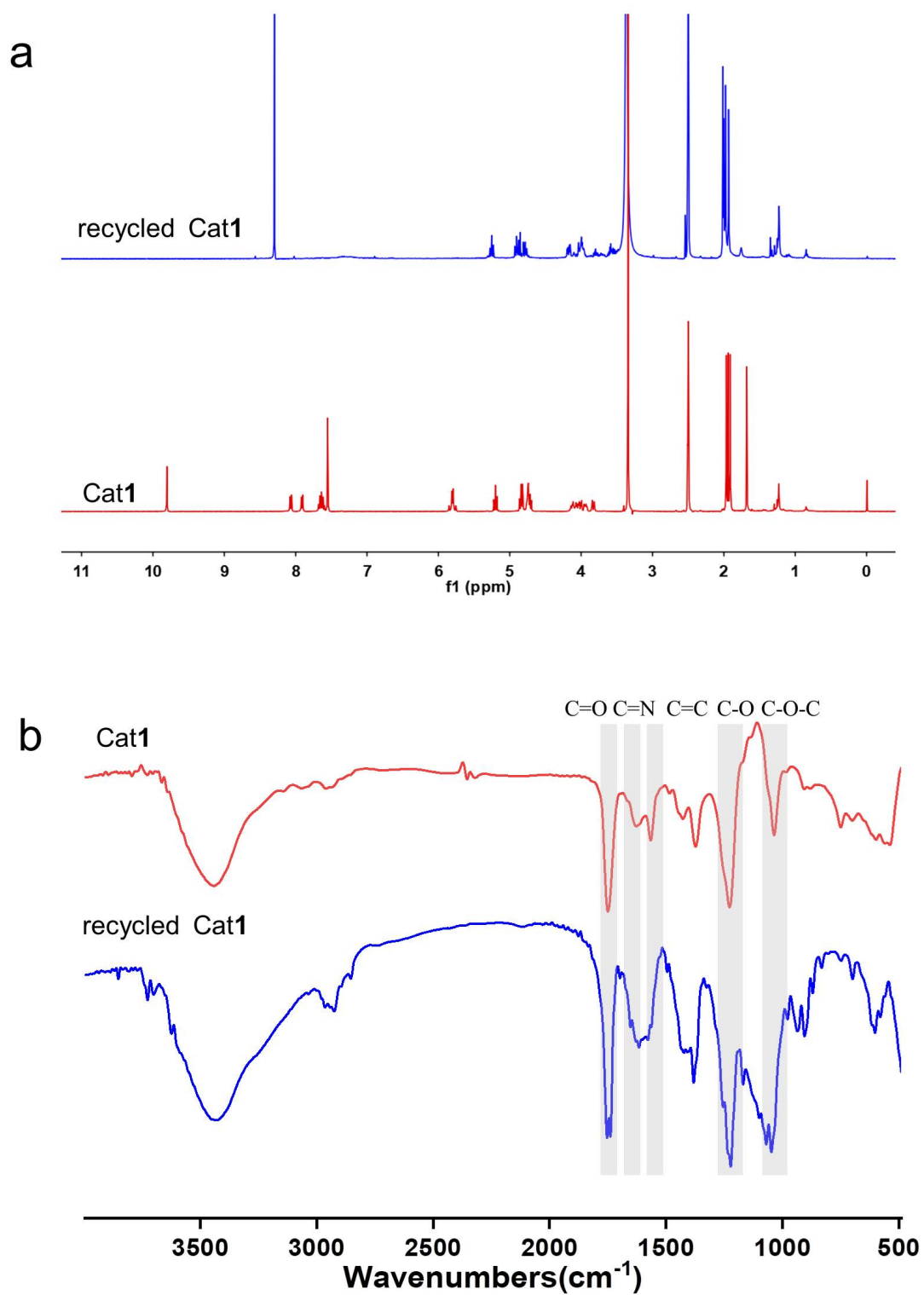


Fig. S33 a  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of Cat1 and recycled Cat1. b FT-IR spectra of Cat1 and recycled Cat1.

## 7. Mechanism Exploration

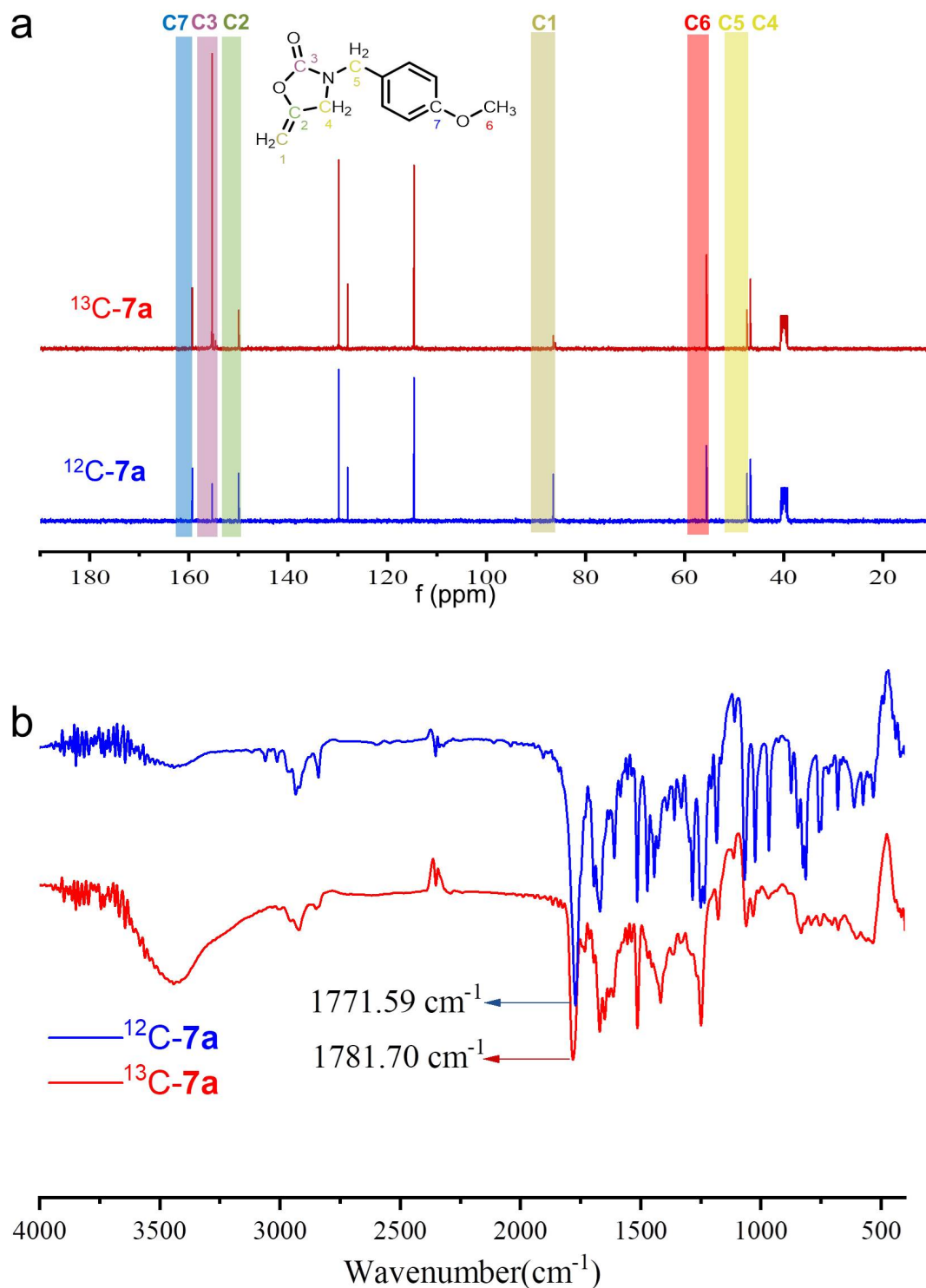


Fig. S34 a <sup>13</sup>C NMR comparison spectra of <sup>13</sup>C-isotope-labeling experiments for **7a**. b FT-IR spectra of <sup>13</sup>C-isotope-labeling experiments for **7a**.

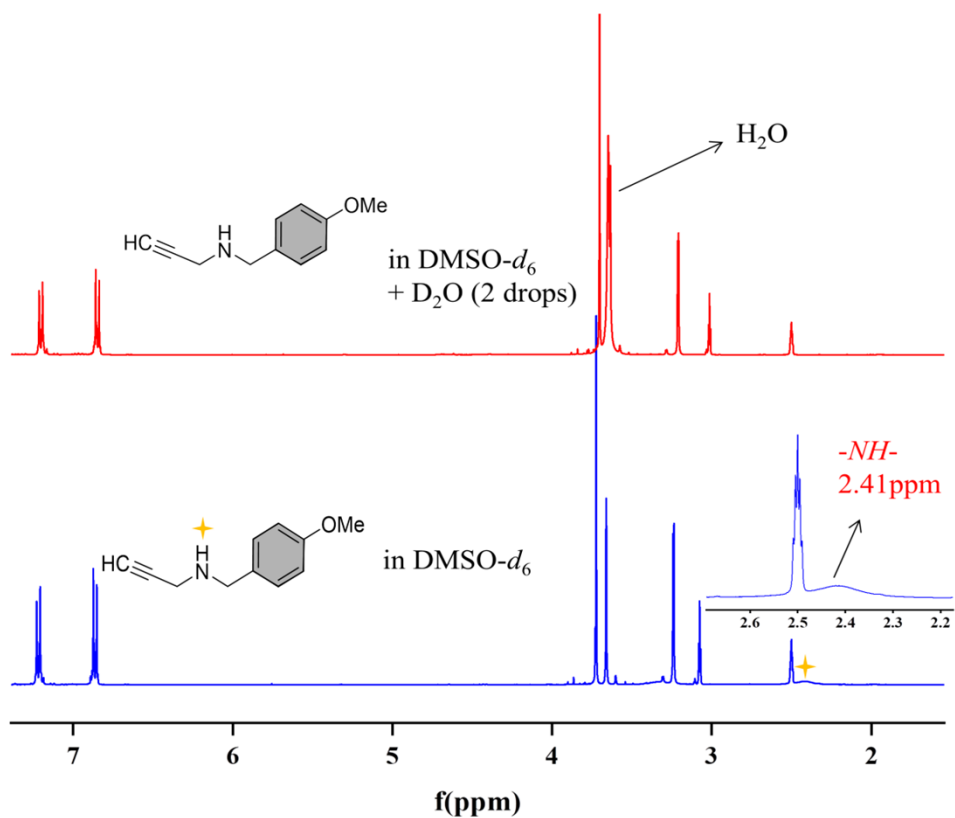


Fig. S35 Hydrogen–deuterium exchange experiment in D $_2$ O/DMSO- $d_6$ .

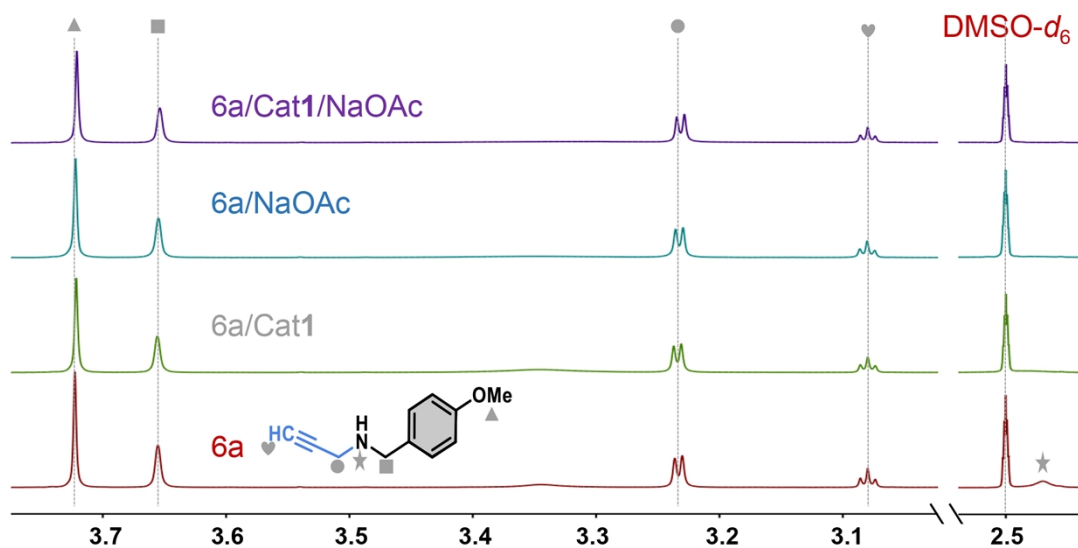


Fig. S36 Partially  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra monitoring of substrate **6a**, **6a/Cat1**, **6a/NaOAc**, and **6a/Cat1/NaOAc** in DMSO- $d_6$ .



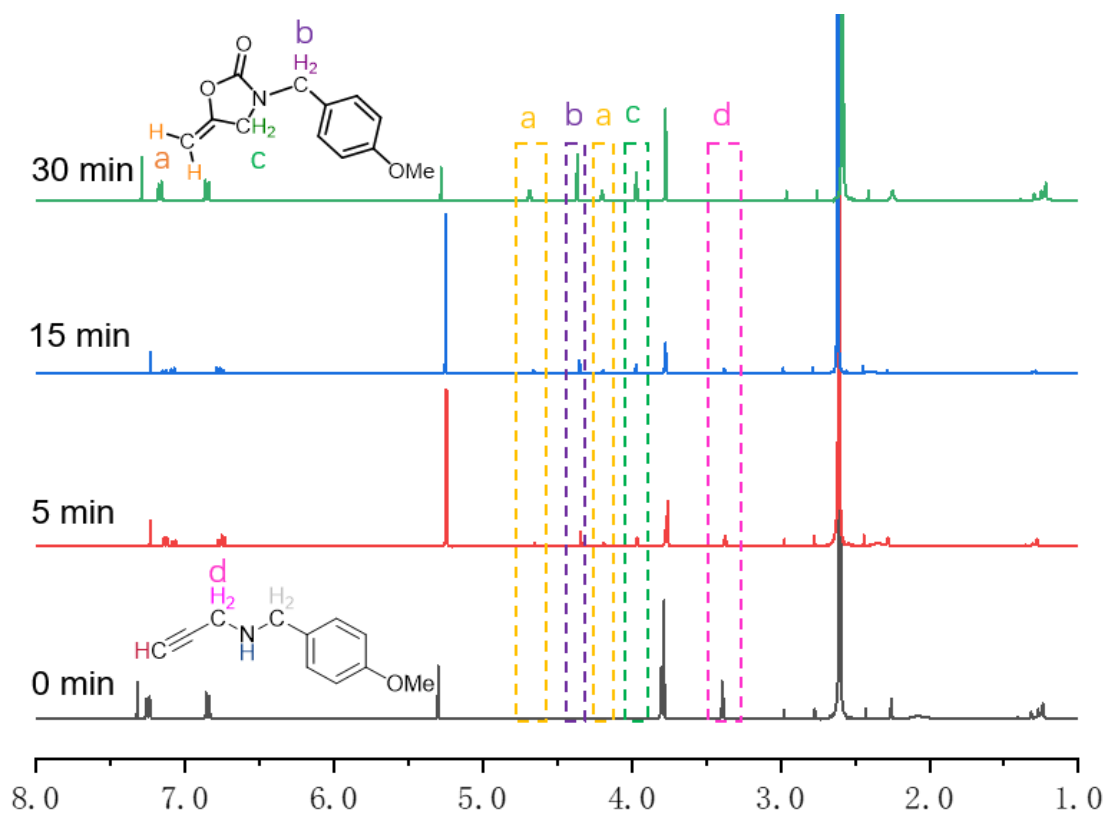


Fig. S37 Partially  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra monitoring of Cat1-catalyzed carboxylative cyclization of **6a** and  $\text{CO}_2$  at  $70^\circ\text{C}$ .

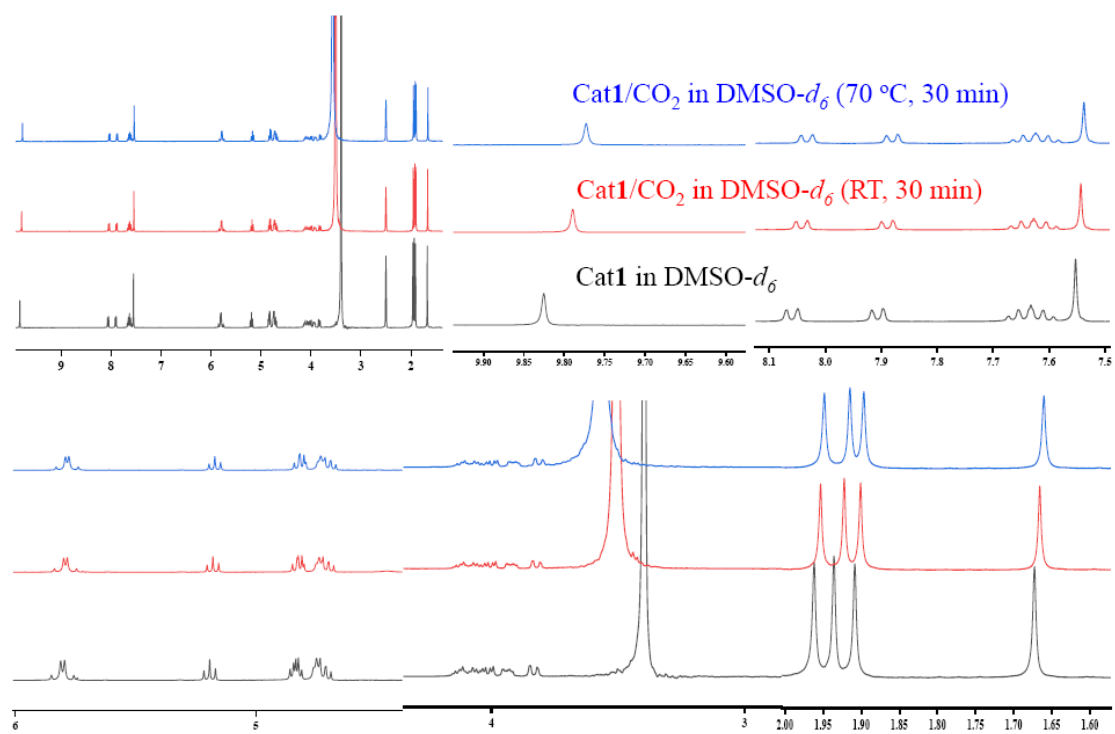


Fig. S38 The interactions between Cat1 and  $\text{CO}_2$  were investigated by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR.

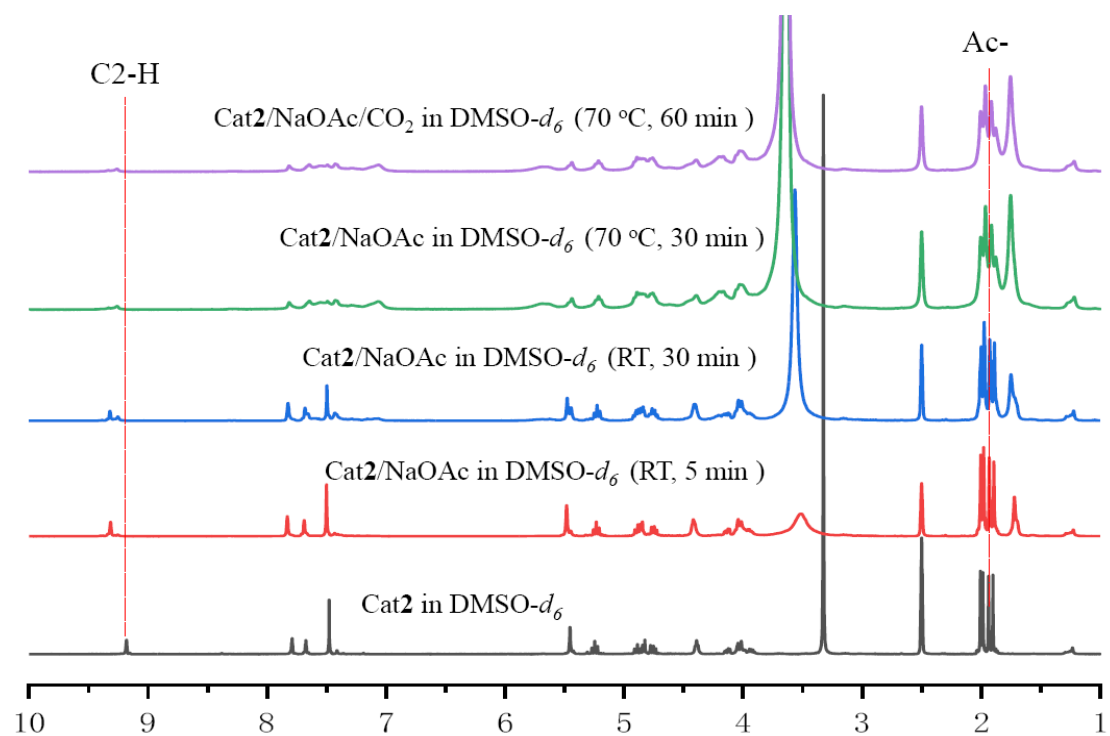


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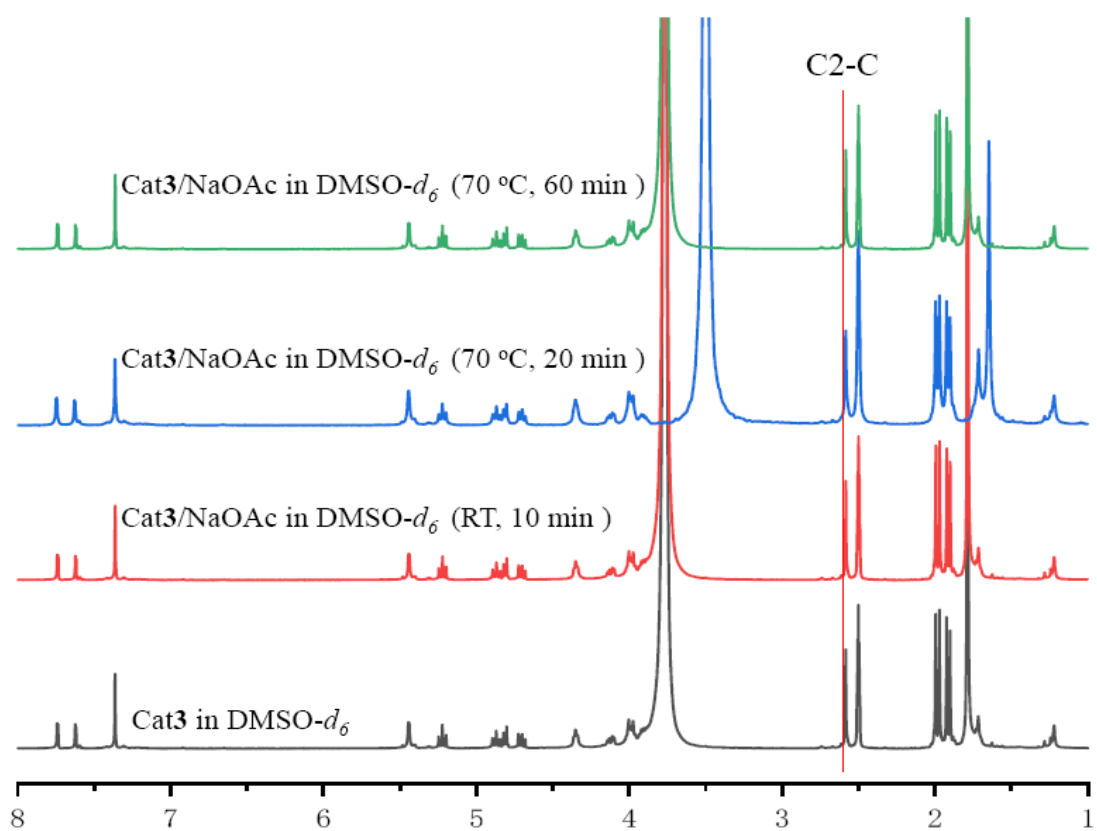


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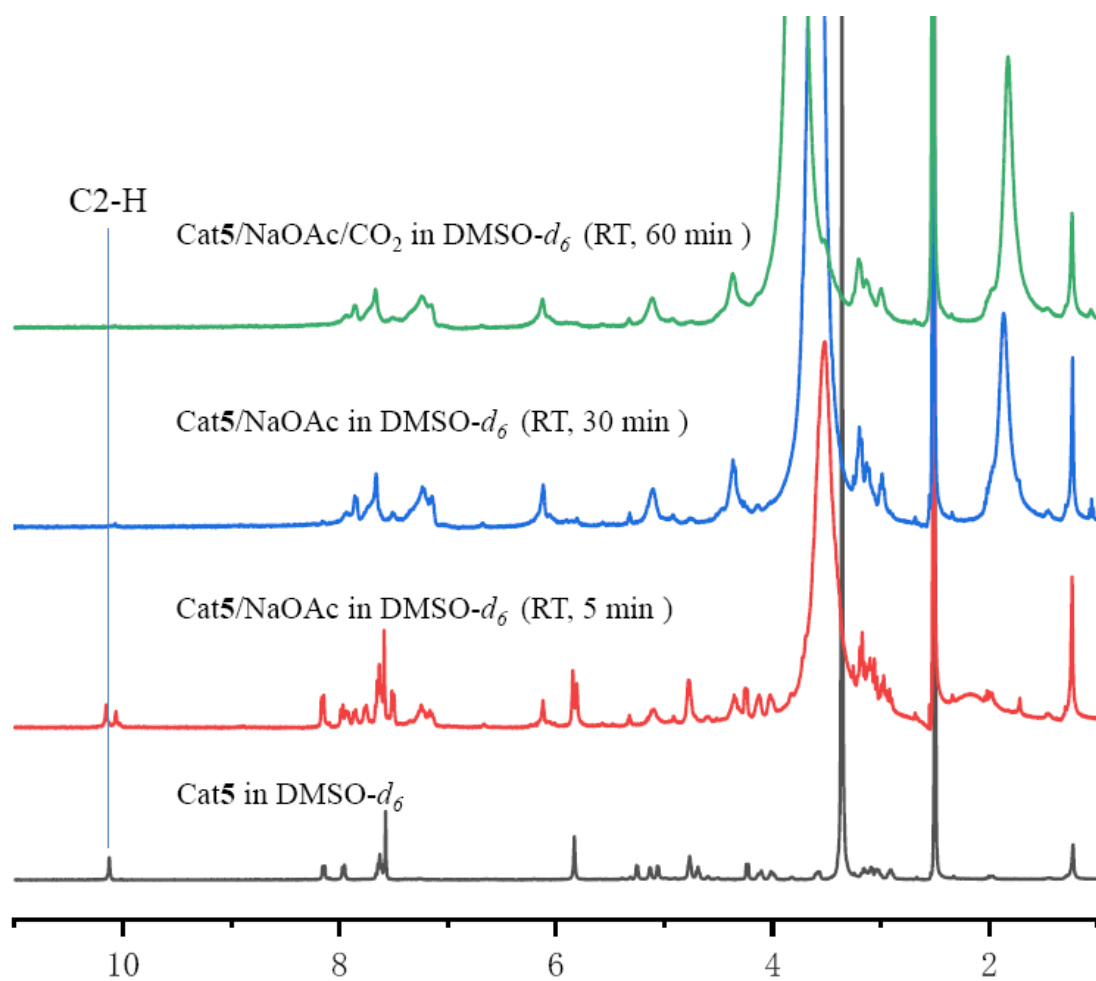


Fig. S41 The interactions between Cat5, NaOAc, and  $\text{CO}_2$  were investigated by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR.

## 7. NMR Spectra of Imidazolium Salts

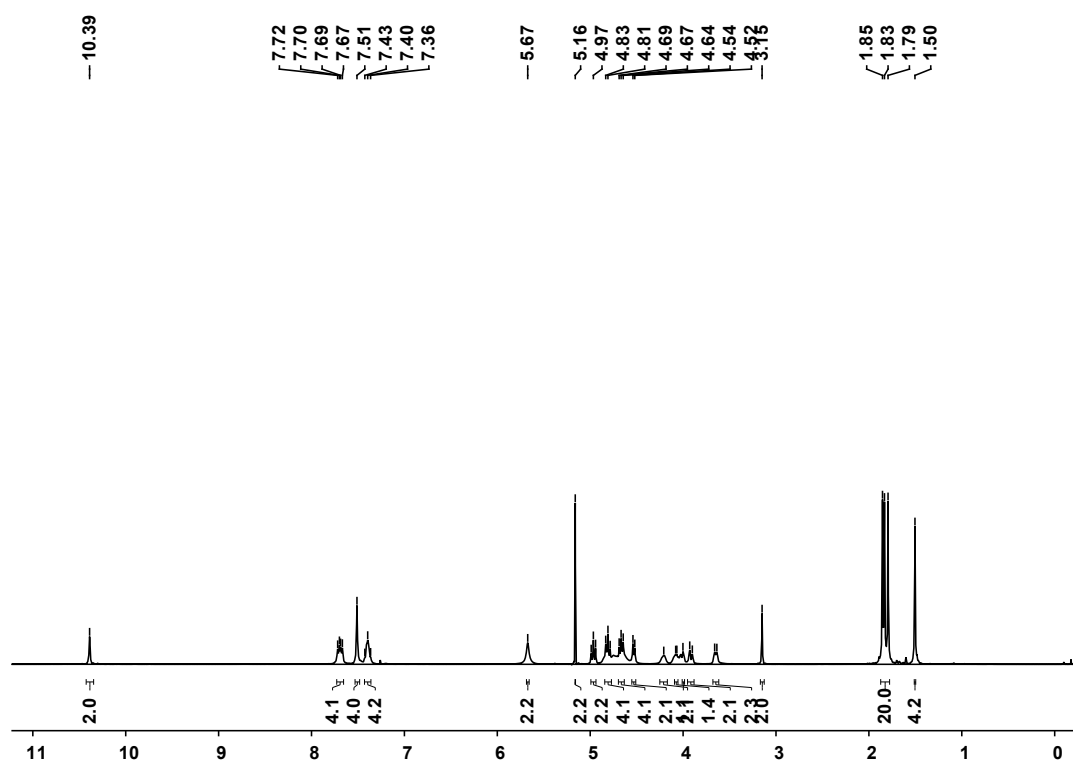


Fig. S42  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Im-Br1 in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

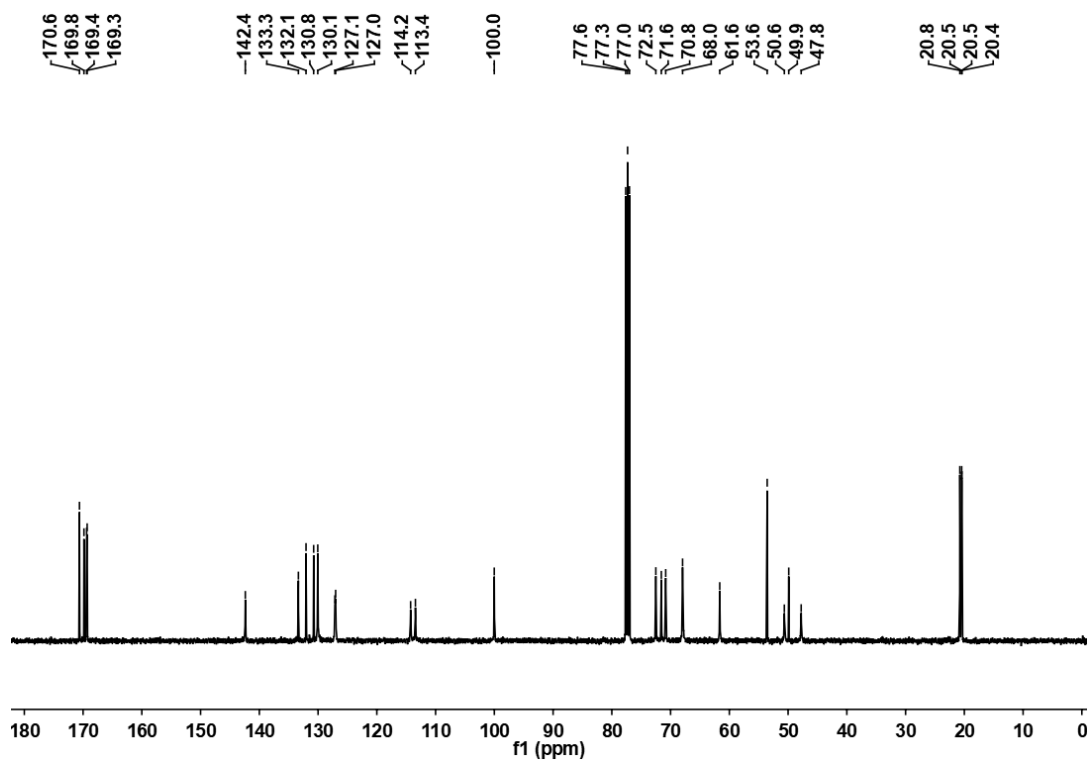


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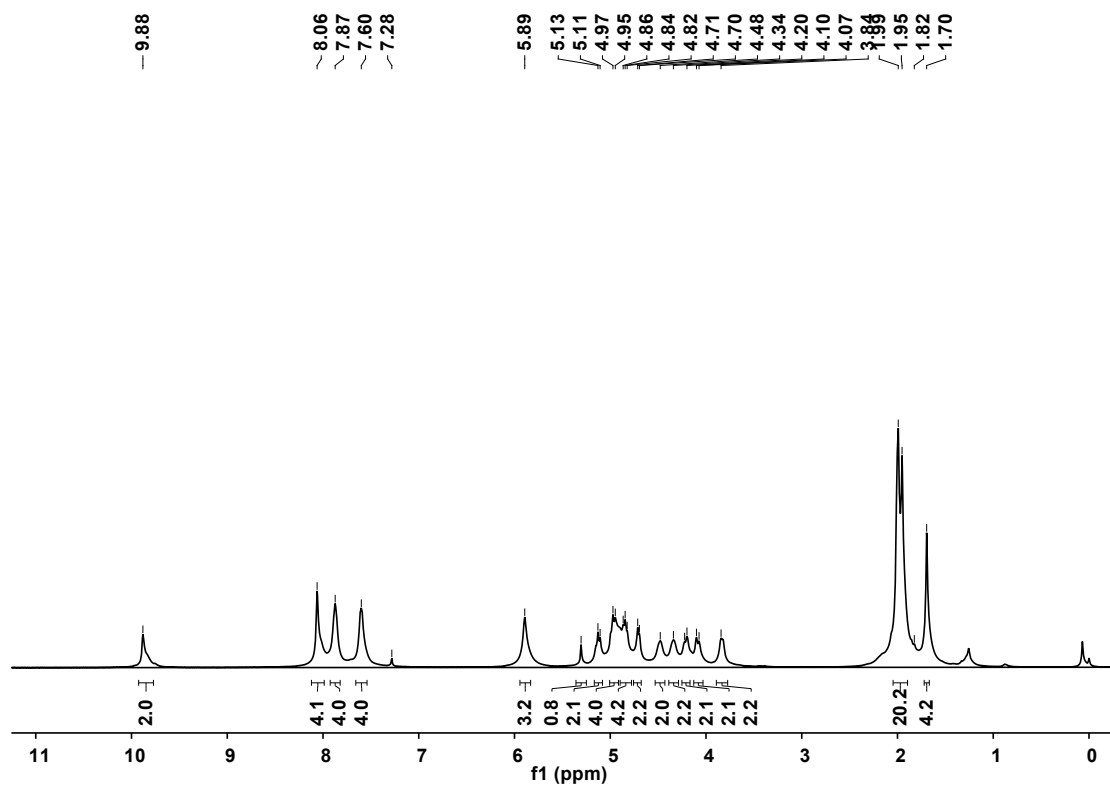


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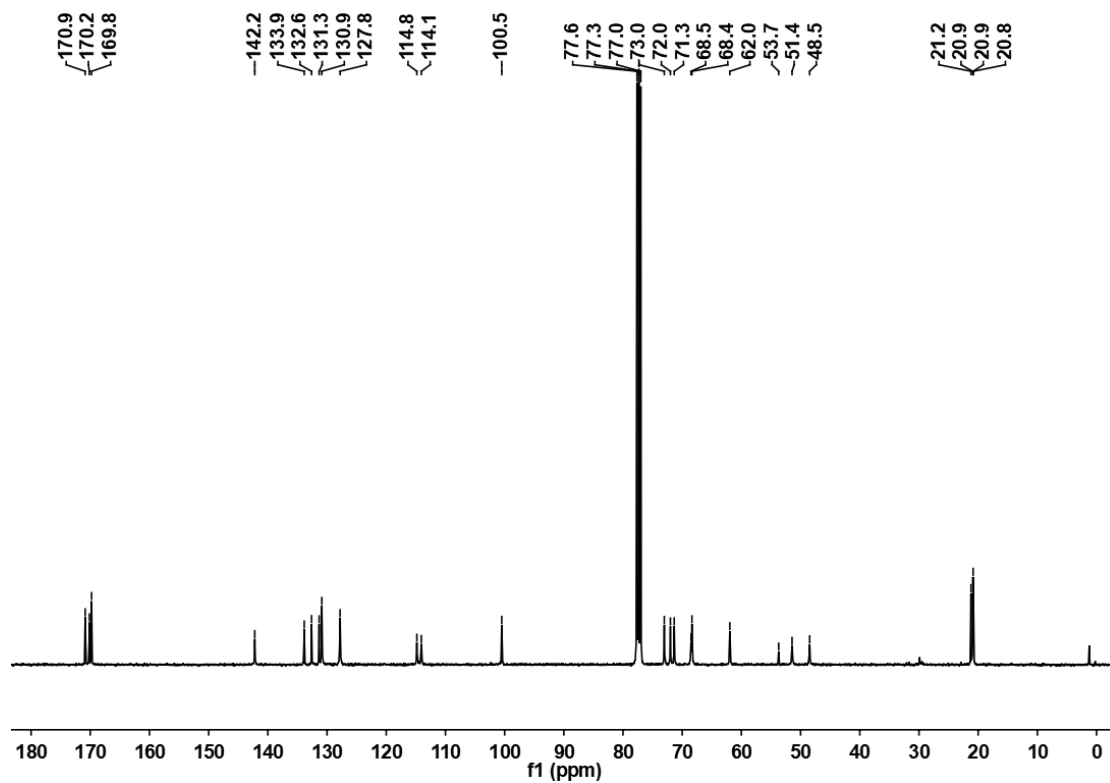


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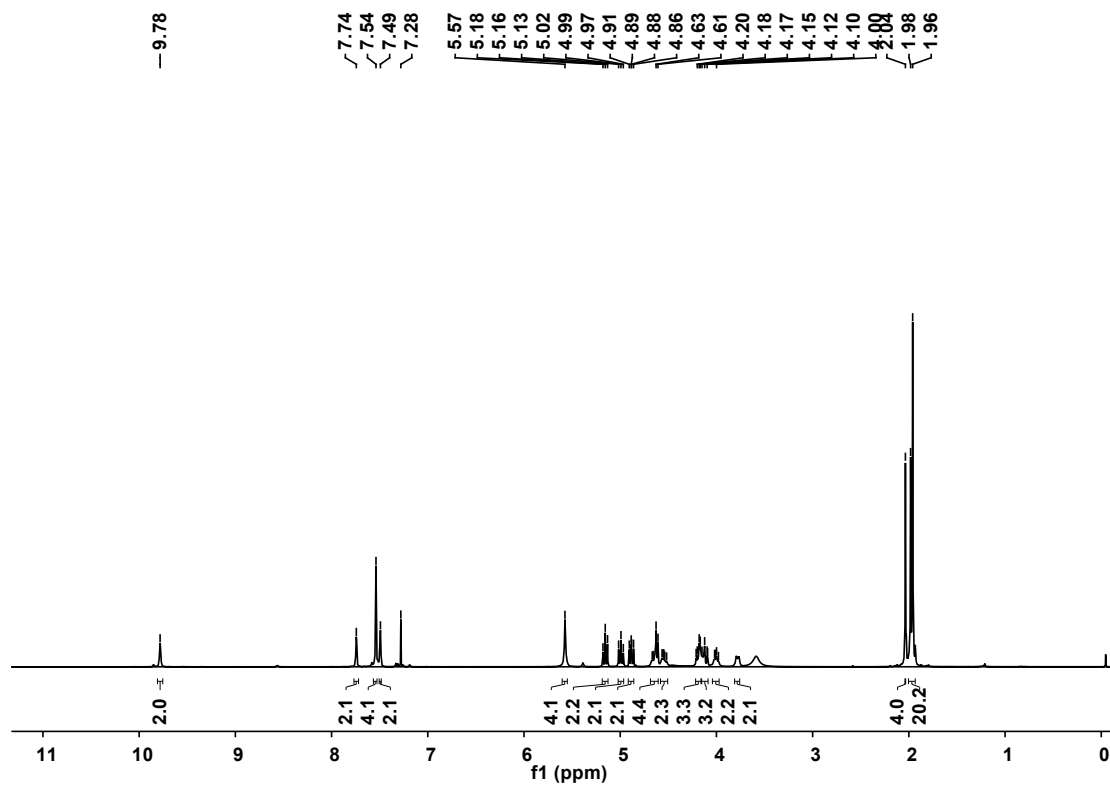


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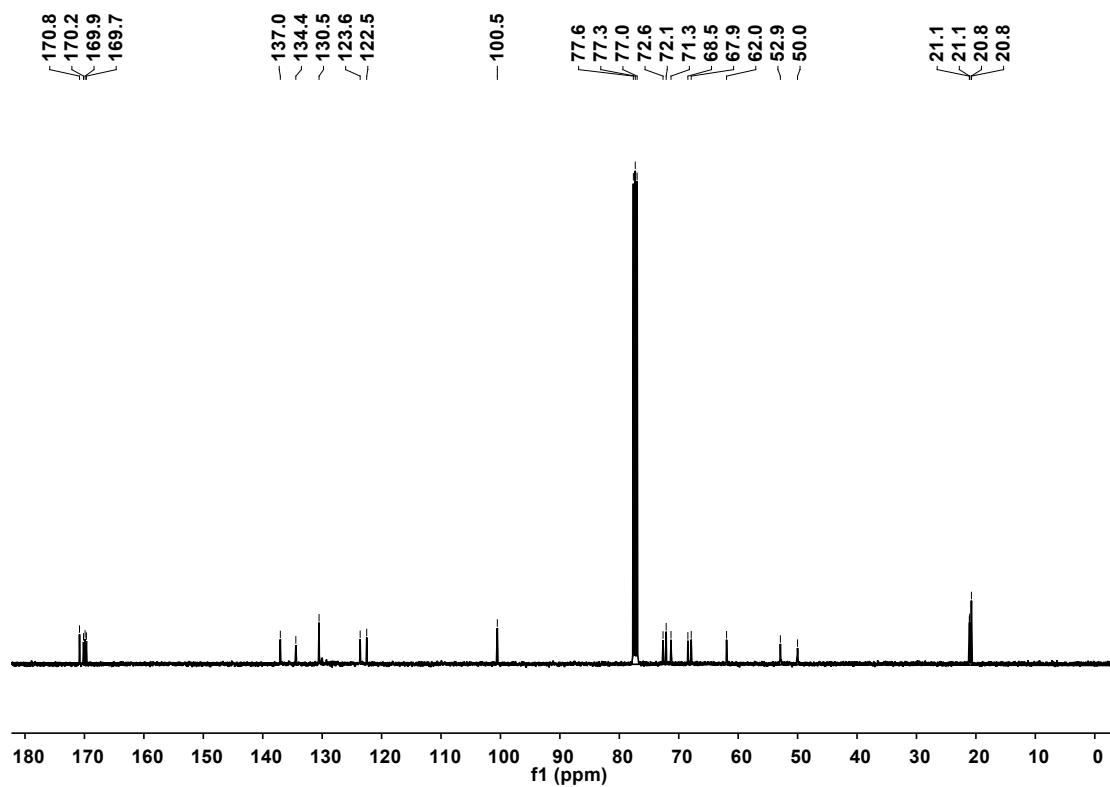


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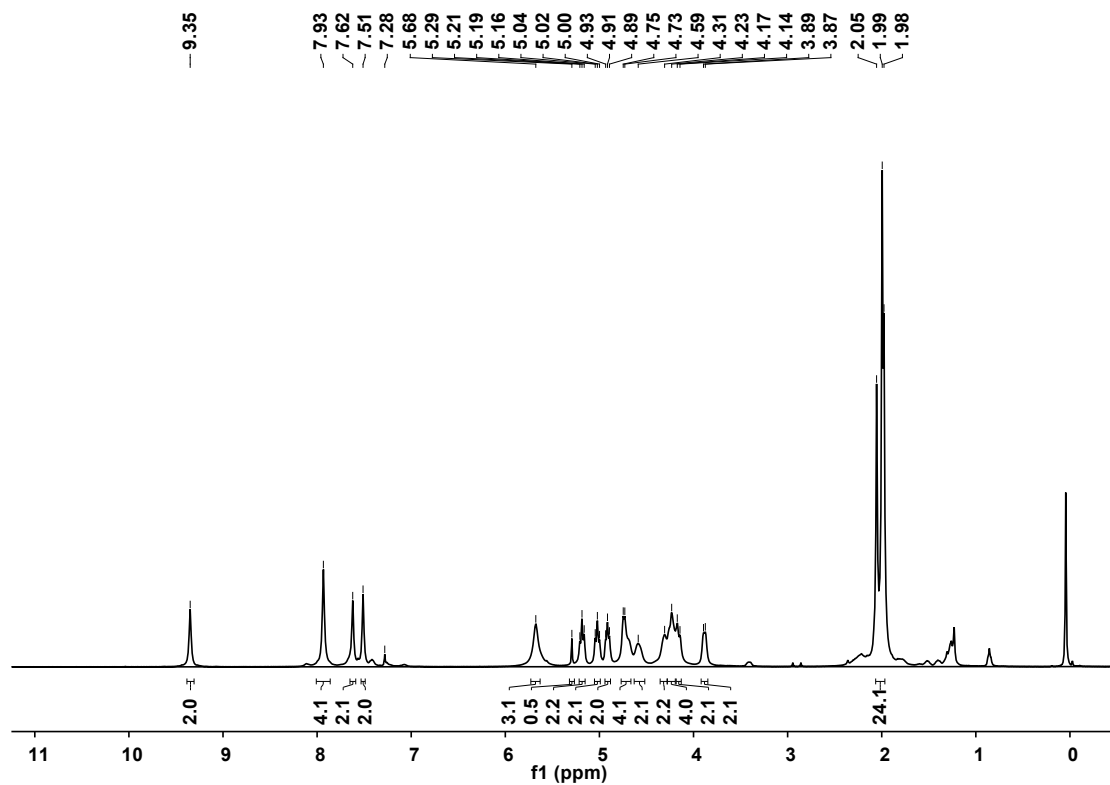


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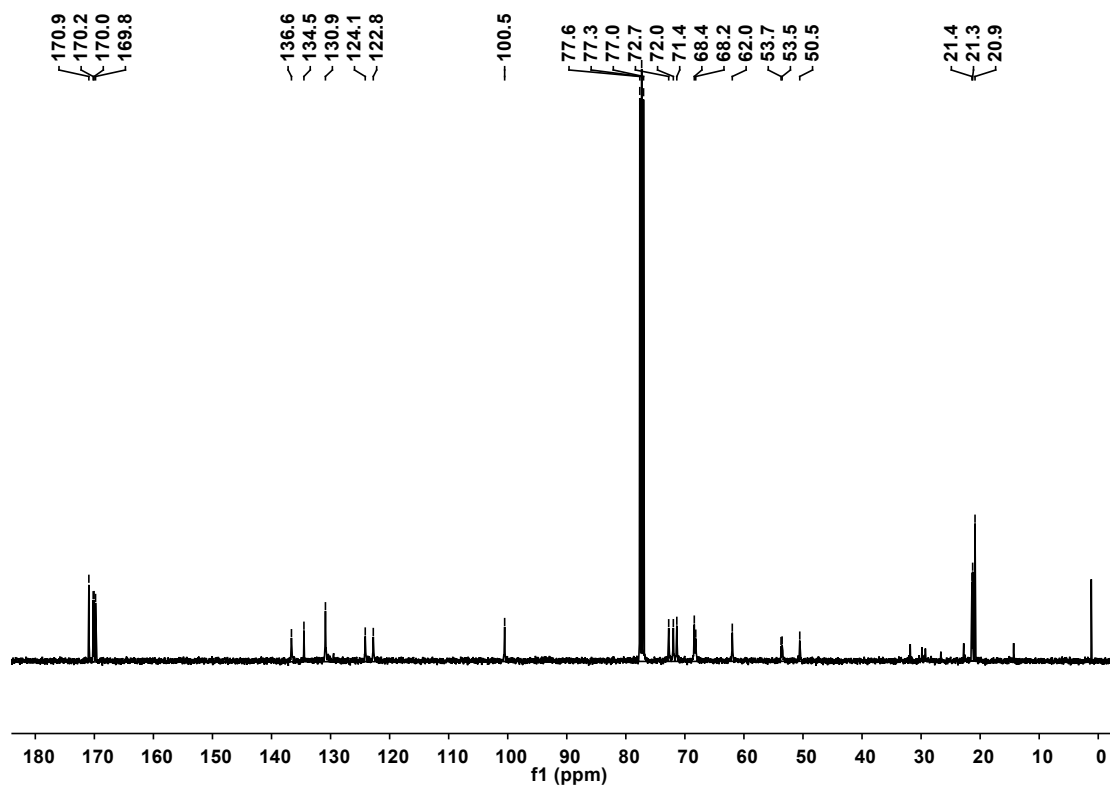


Fig. S49  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Cat2 in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

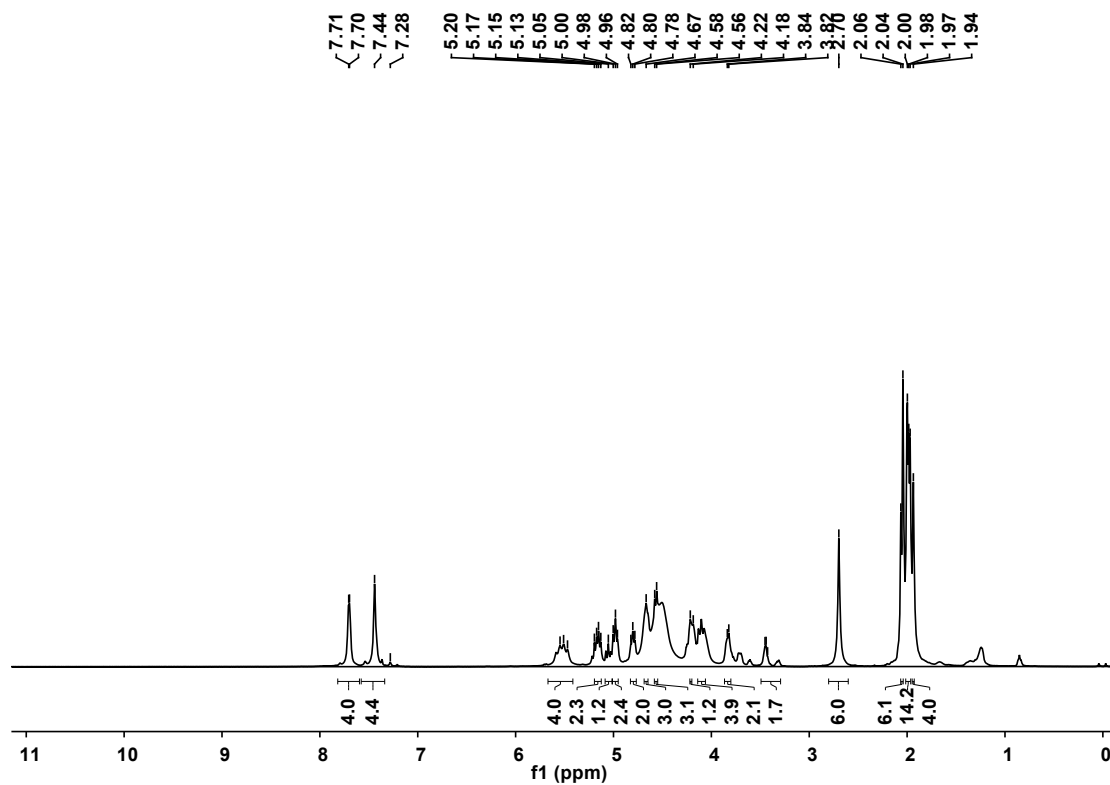


Fig. S50  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Im-Br3 in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

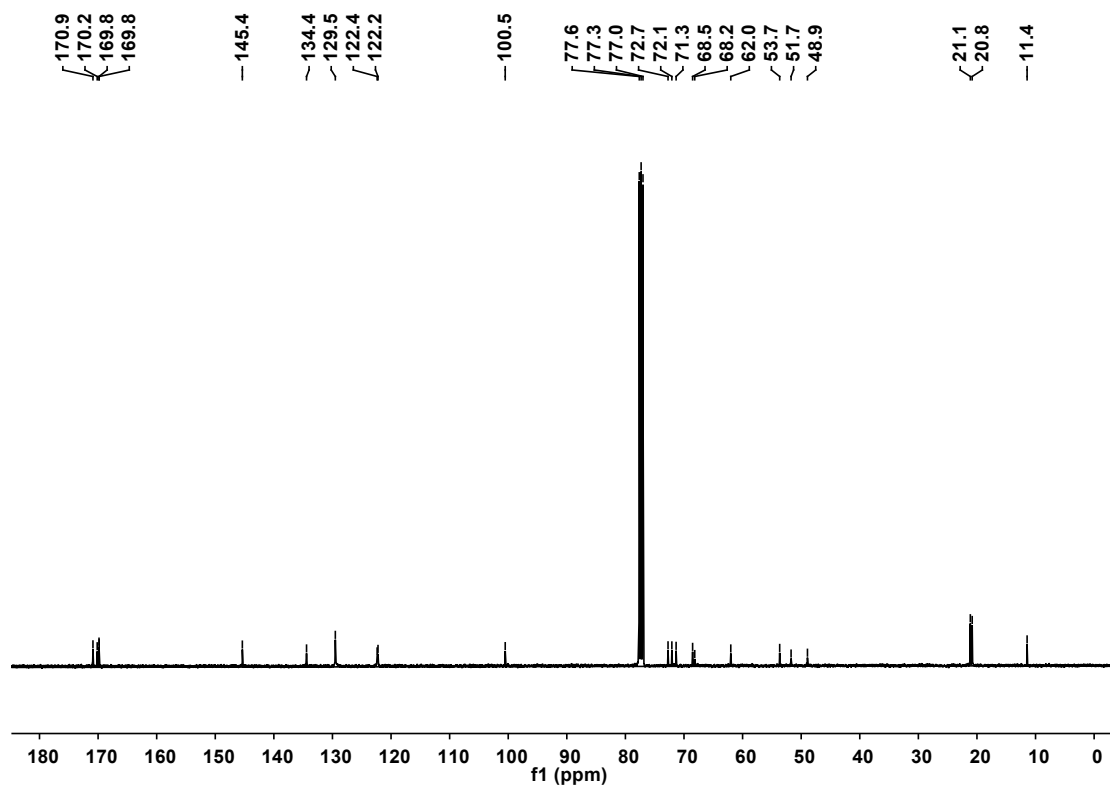


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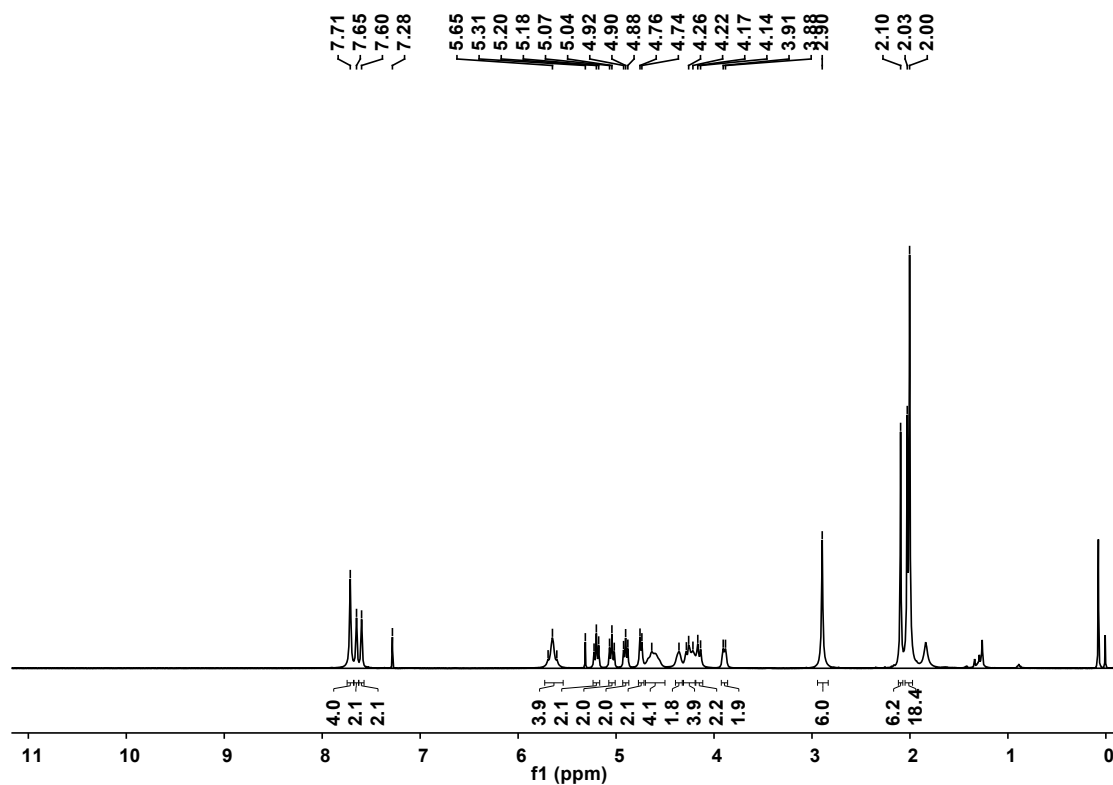


Fig. S52  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Cat3 in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

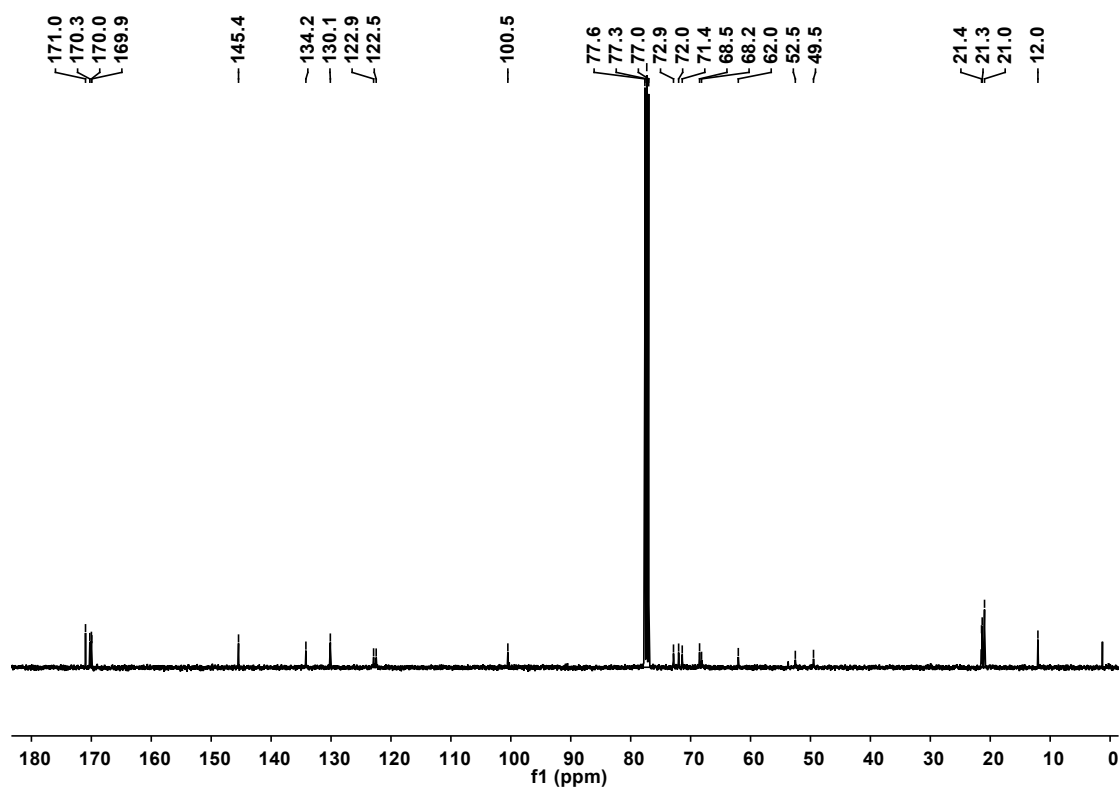


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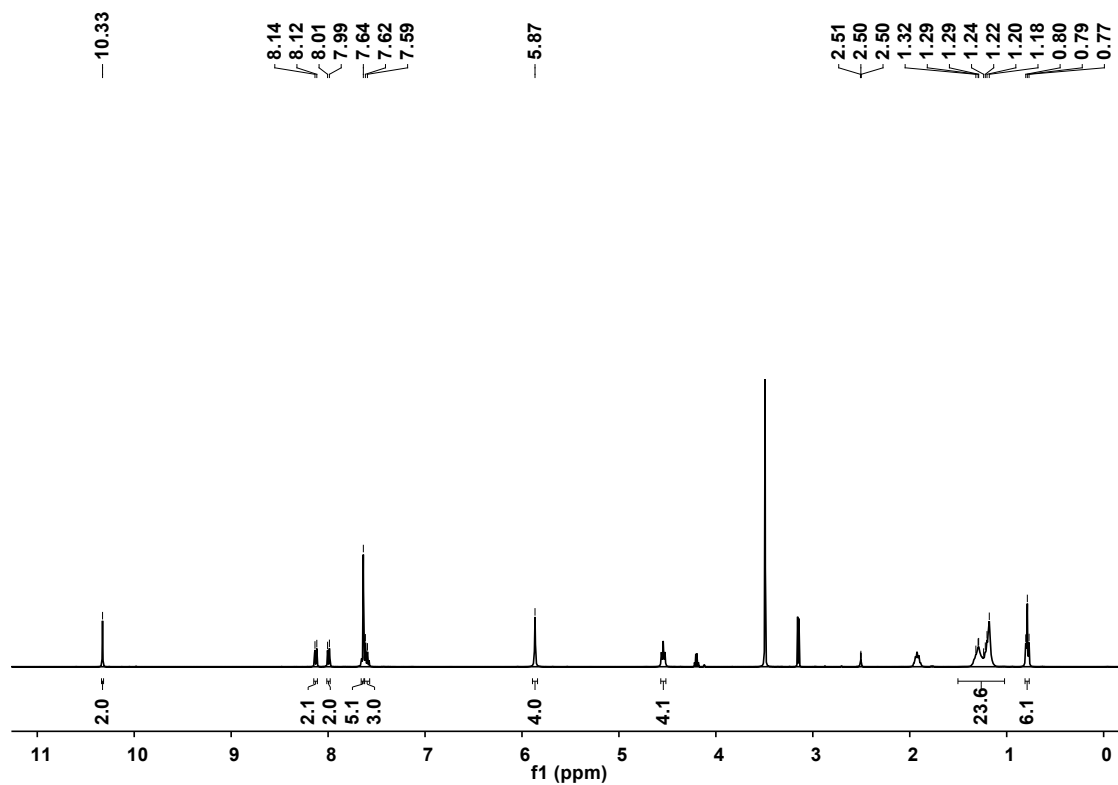


Fig. S54  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Im-Br4 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

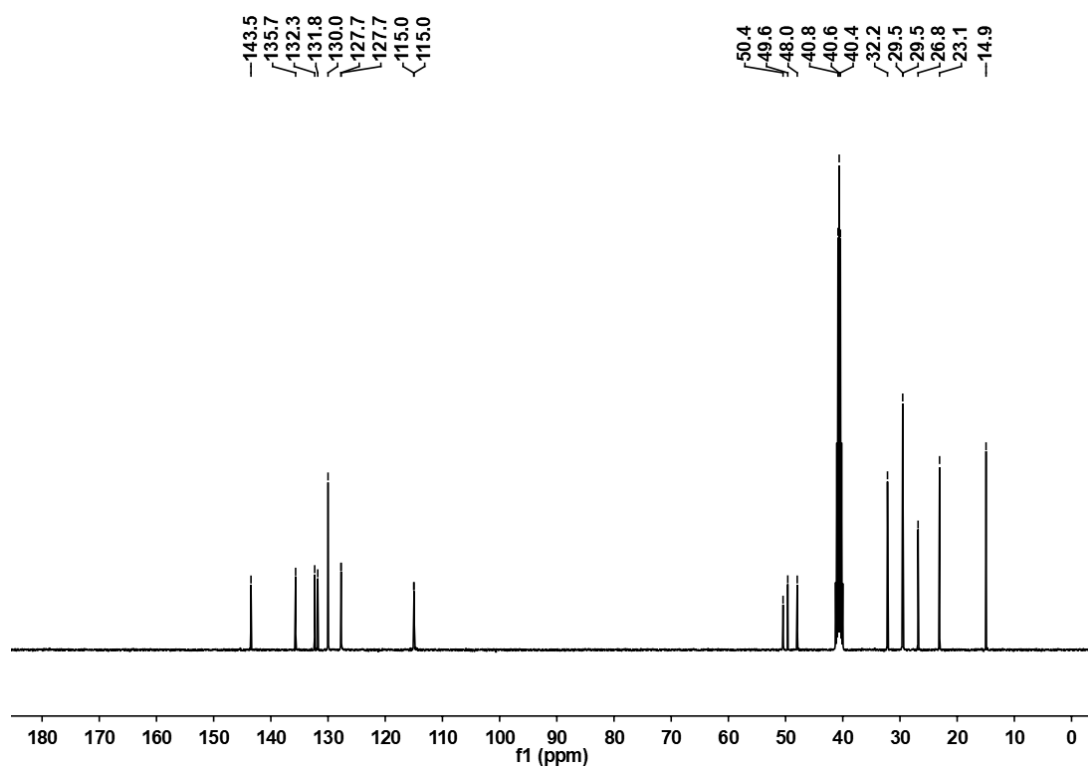


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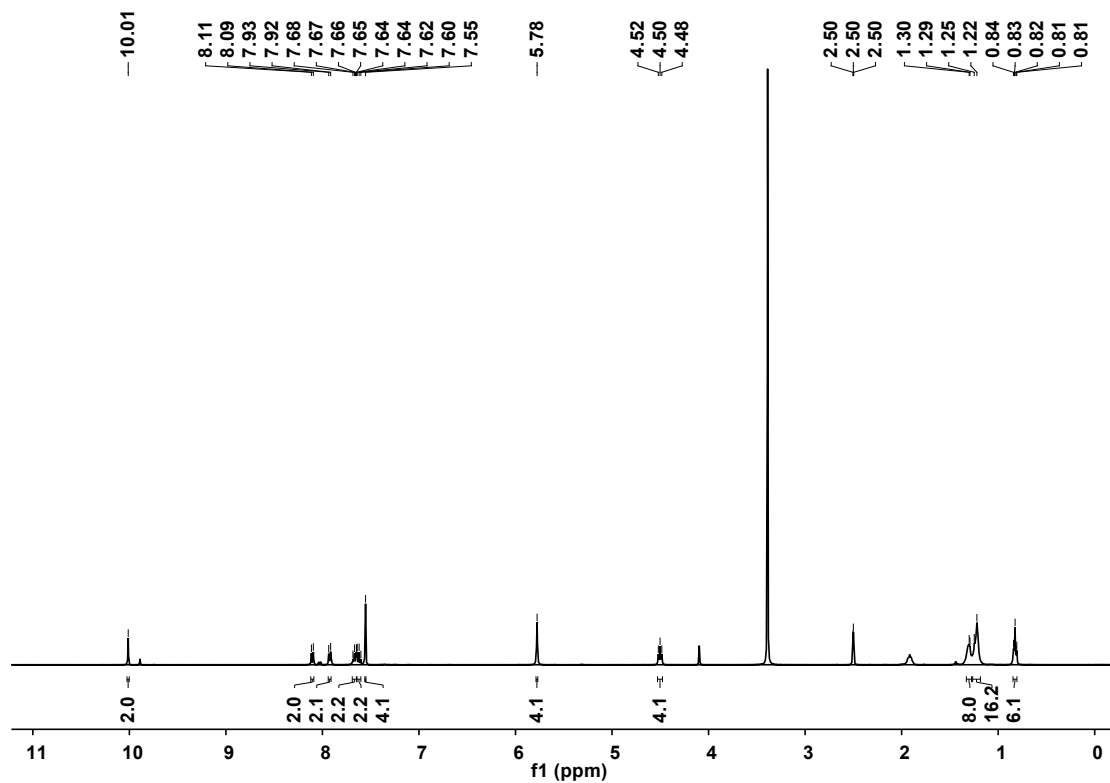


Fig. S56  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Cat4 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

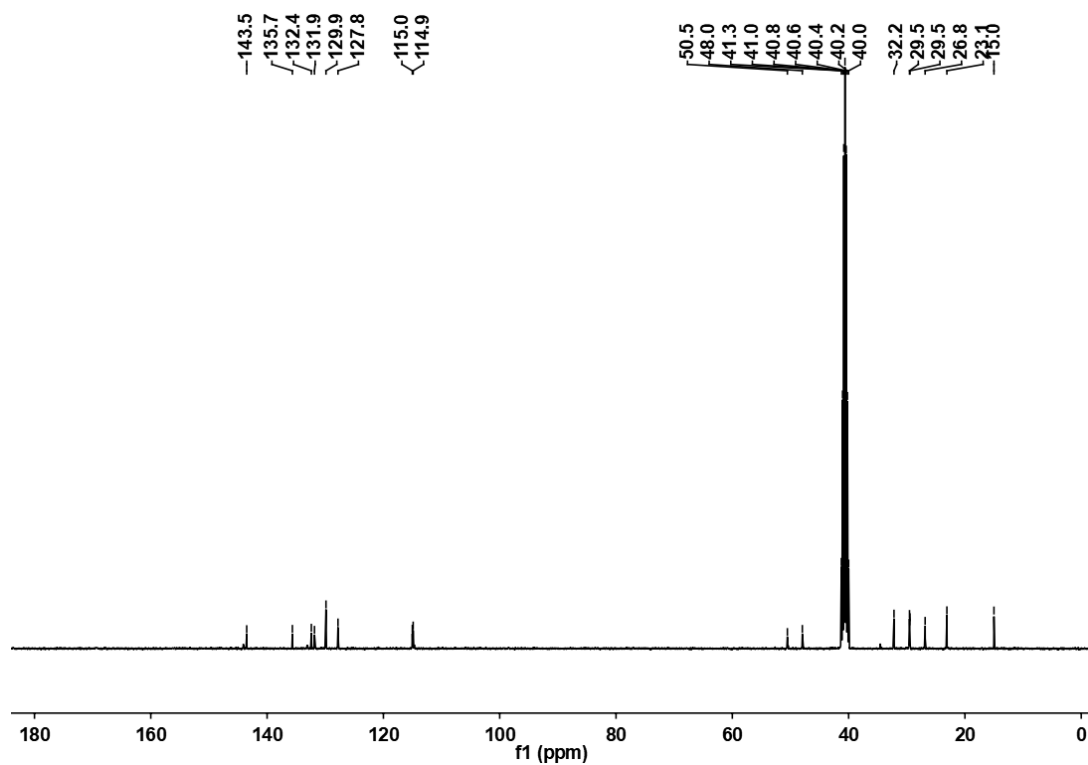


Fig. S57  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Cat4 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

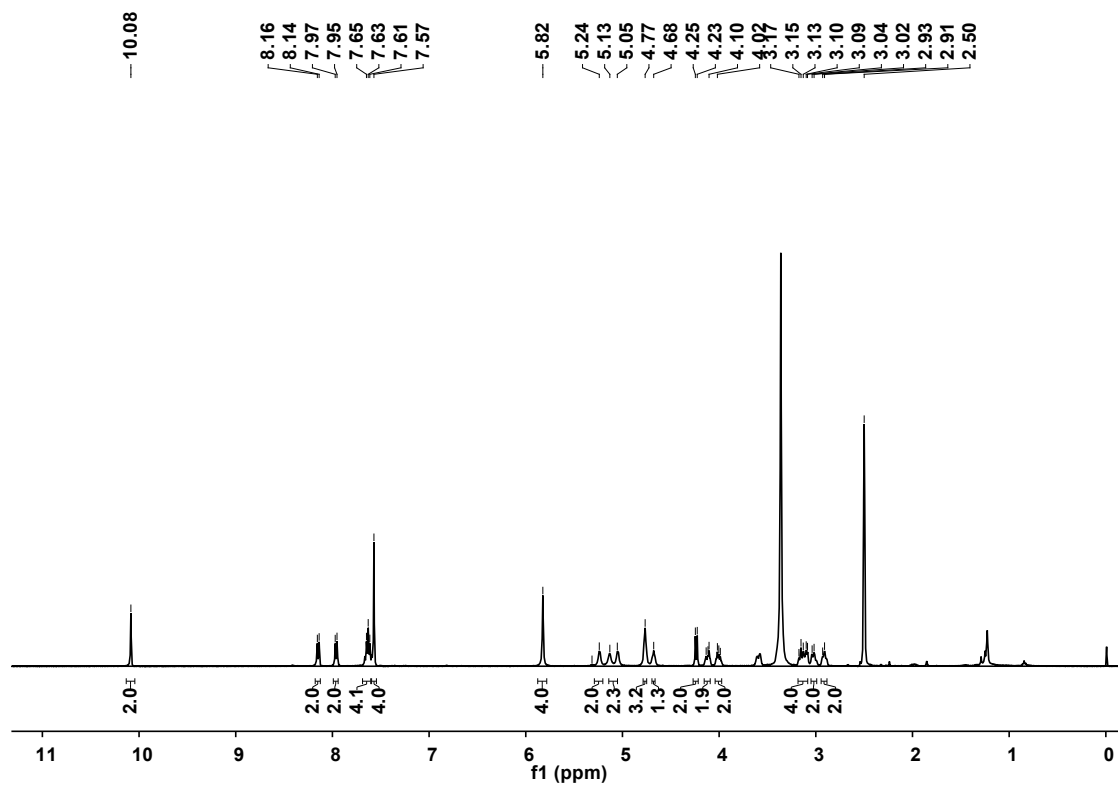


Fig. S58  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Im-Br5 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

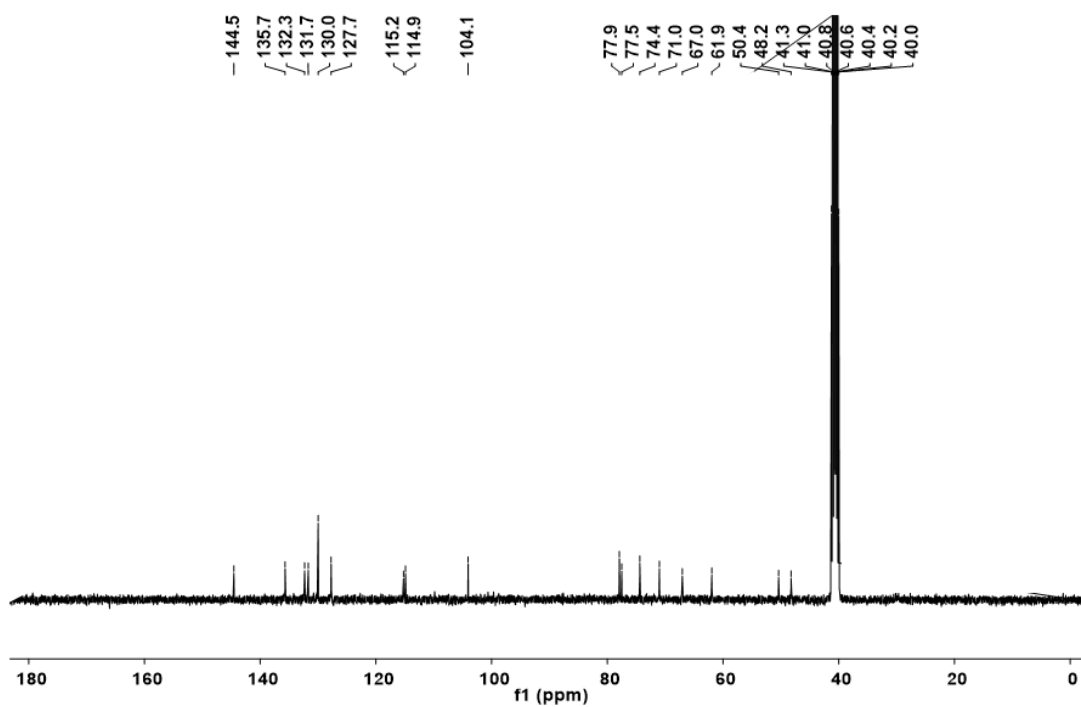


Fig. S59  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Im-Br5 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

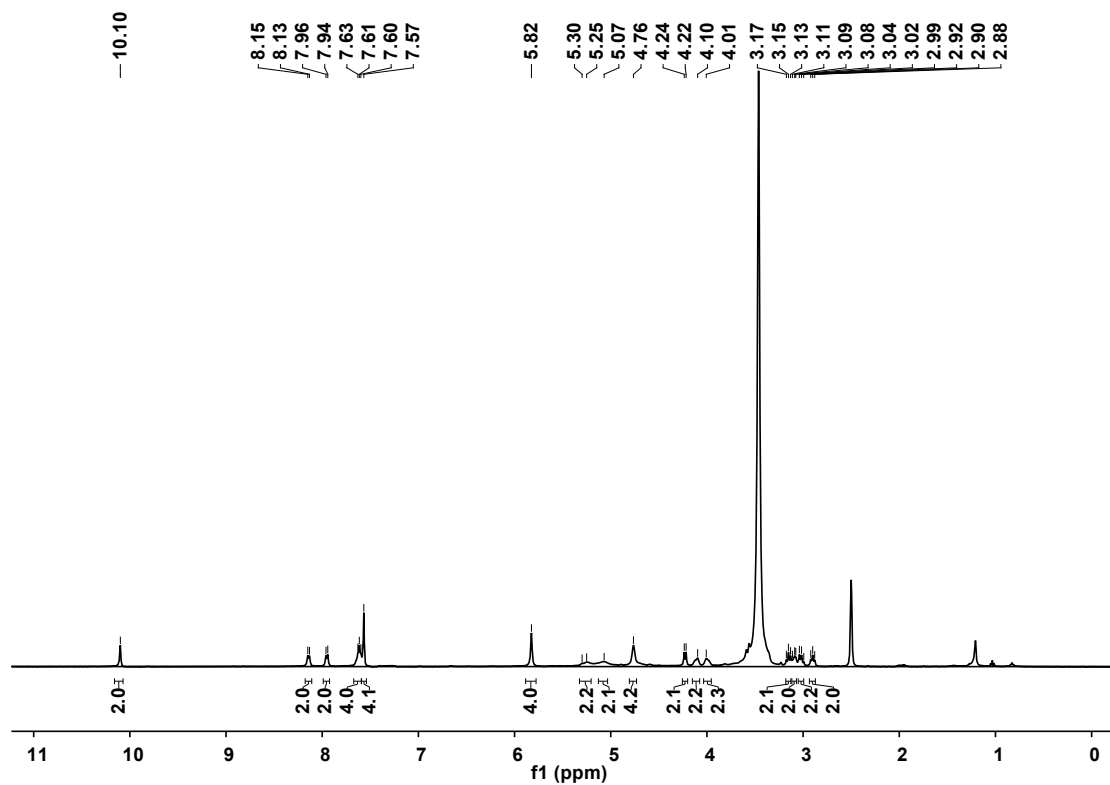


Fig. S60  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Cat5 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

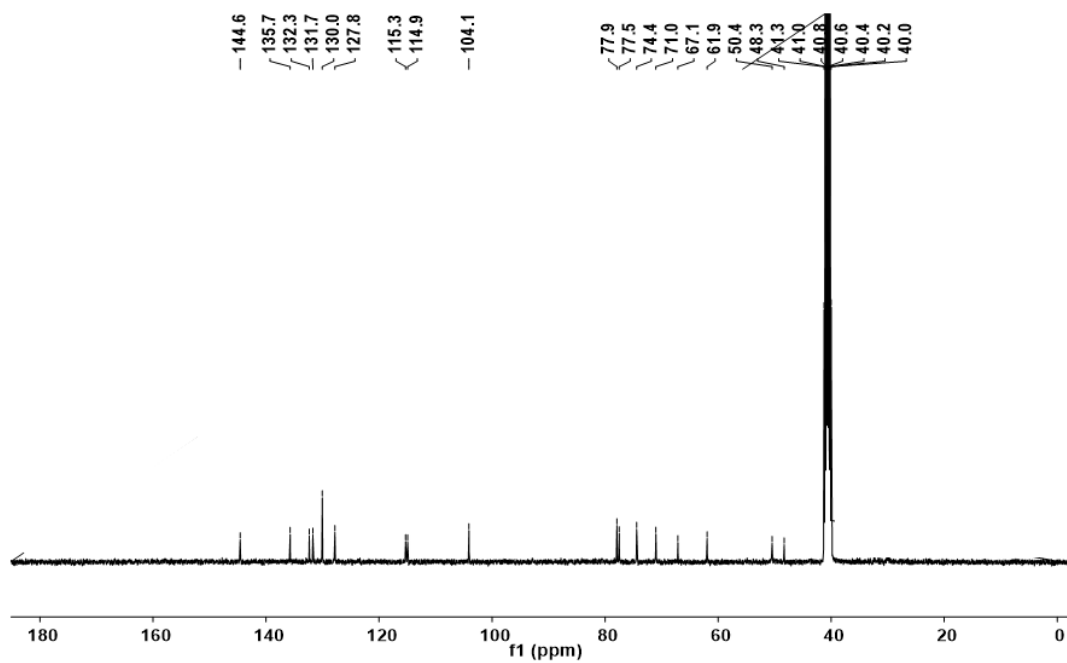


Fig. S61  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Cat5 in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ .

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