

## Electronic Supplementary Information

# Remote C-H Bond Cooperation Strategy Enabled Silver Catalyzed Borrowing Hydrogen Reactions

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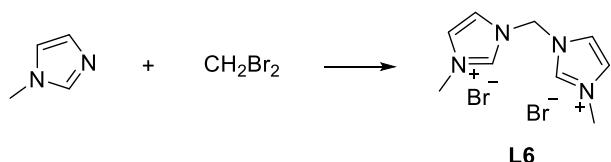
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## I. General Information

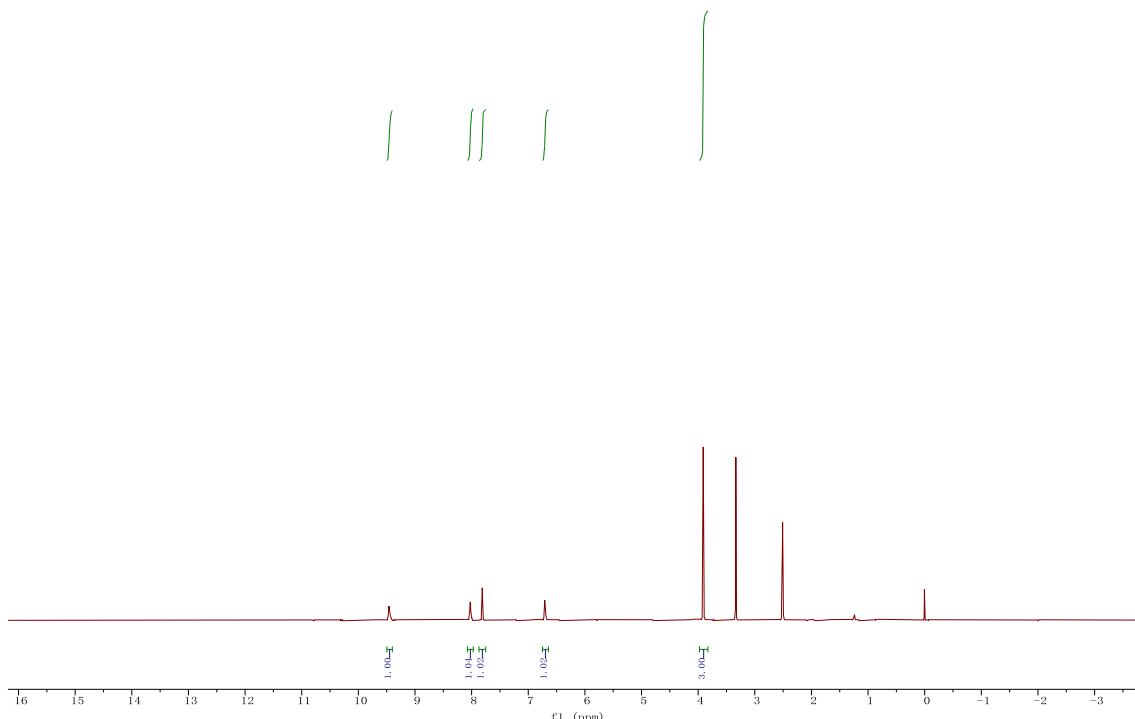
Unless otherwise stated, all manipulations were carried out under dry argon and dry nitrogen using conventional Schlenk or glove box techniques. All experiments involving catalysts were carried out under dark circumstances. Non-halogenated solvents were dried over sodium benzophenone ketyl and halogenated solvents over  $\text{CaH}_2$ . All other reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. TLC was performed on silica gel GF254 (layer thickness 0.20-0.25 mm) and components were located by observation under UV light. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (300-400 mesh) using 5% ethyl acetate/hexane (petroleum ether) as eluent. NMR spectra were recorded using a Bruker 400 MHz spectrometer, and chemical shifts were reported relative to TMS. GC analyses were recorded in a Shimadzu GC-2014C device equipped with a Wondacap 1 column.

## II. Preparation of Ligands and Silver Complexes

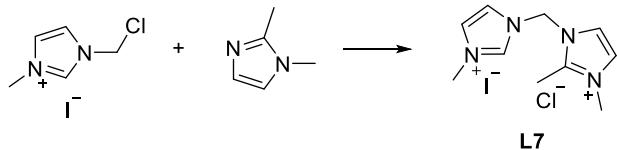


### Synthesis of 3,3'-methylenebis(1-methyl-1H-imidazol-3-ium) bromide (**L6**)<sup>1</sup>

Following the general method using 1-methylimidazole (1.59 mL, 20 mmol) and dibromomethane (0.7 mL, 10 mmol) in a sealed tube, gave **L6** as a white solid. Yield: 3.04 g (90%).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.46 (s, -CH, 1H), 8.02 (s, =CH, 1H), 7.81 (s, =CH, 1H), 6.71 (s, - $\text{CH}_2$ , 1H), 3.91 (s, - $\text{CH}_3$ , 3H) ppm.

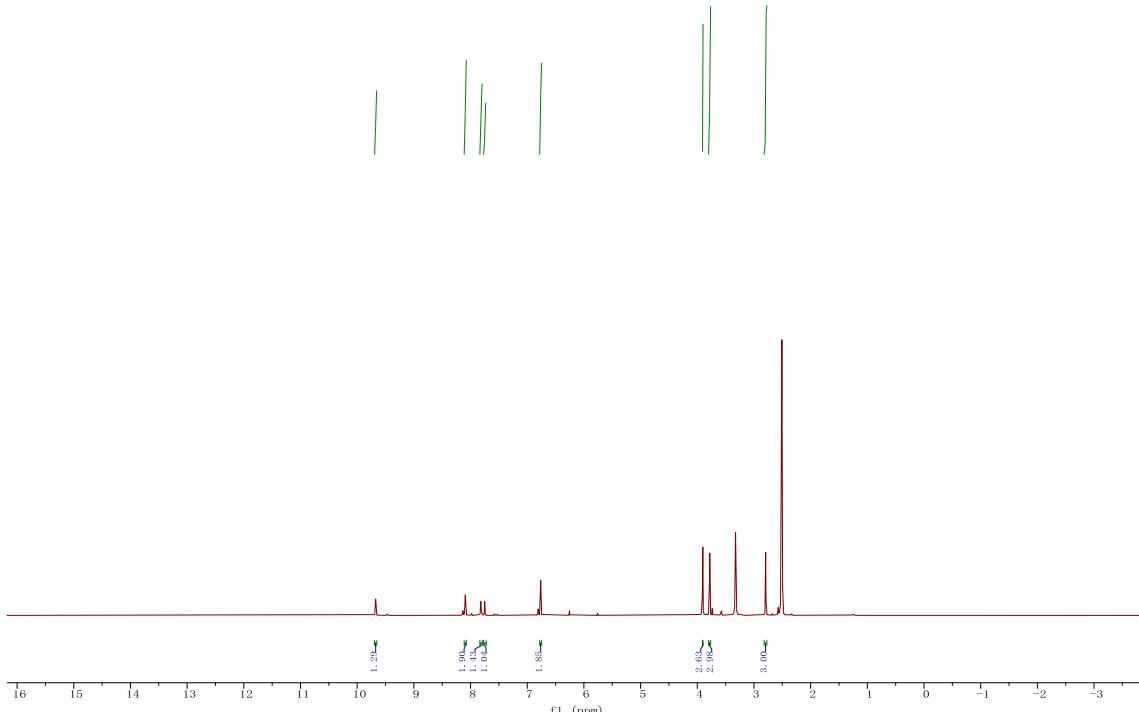


**Figure S1.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **L6** in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .

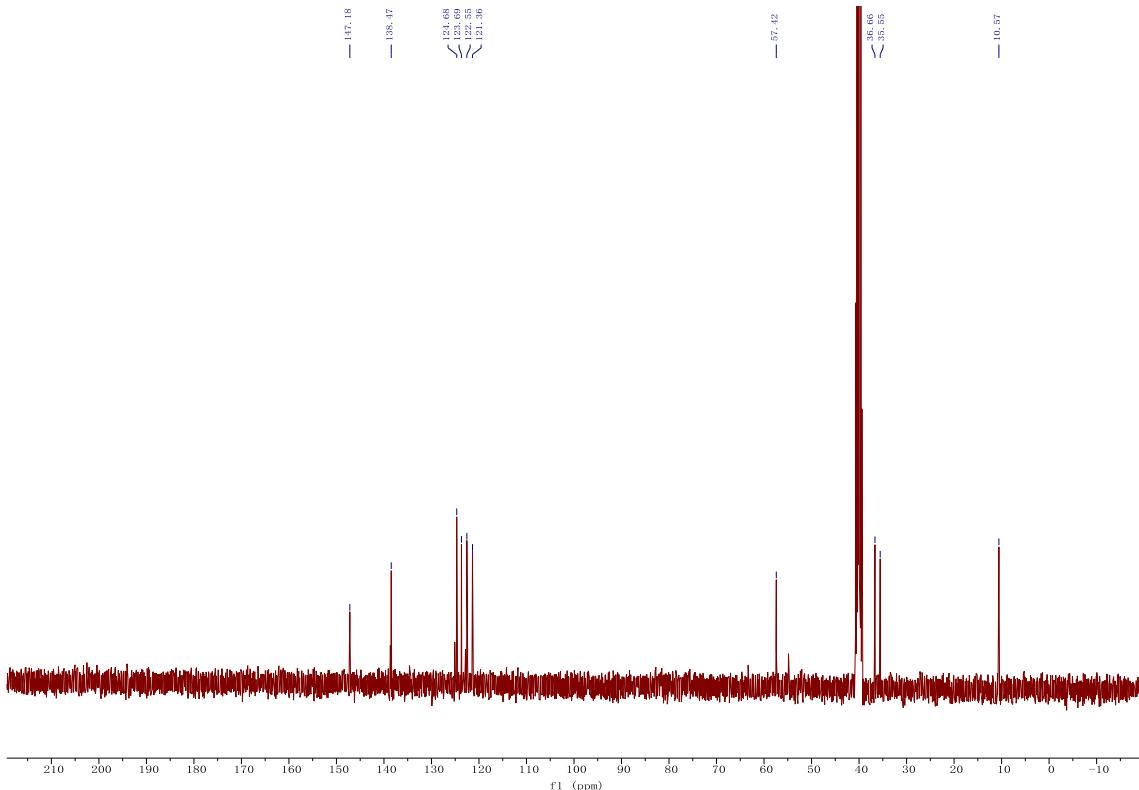


**Synthesis of 2,3-dimethyl-1-[ (3-methyl-1H-imidazol-3-i um-1-yl)methyl]-1H-imidazol-3-i um iodide chloride (L7)**

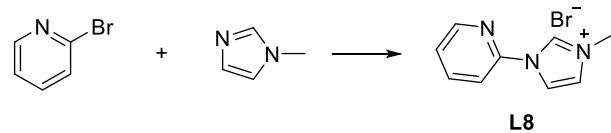
The 1-(chloromethyl)-3-methyl-1H-imidazol-3-i um iodide was synthesized following the general methods<sup>2</sup>. Then, 1-(chloromethyl)-3-methyl-1H-imidazol-3-i um iodide (207.2 mg, 0.8 mmol) and 1,2-dimethyl-1H imidazole (76.7 mg, 0.8 mmol) in THF (15 mL) were added in a sealed tube. The reaction was allowed to stir at 110 °C overnight. The white product (**L7**) was filtered and washed with ethyl acetate. The product was dried in vacuum. Yield: 200 mg (71%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 9.67 (s, -CH, 1H), 8.16 – 8.07 (m, =CH, 2H), 7.81 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.75 (m, =CH, 1H), 6.76 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 3.90 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H), 3.78 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H), 2.79 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ = 10.57, 35.55, 36.66, 57.42, 121.36, 122.55, 123.69, 124.68, 138.47, 147.18 ppm. HRMS m/z: Calcd. for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub><sup>2+</sup>: 96.0682, Found: 96.0678.



**Figure S2a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **L7** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

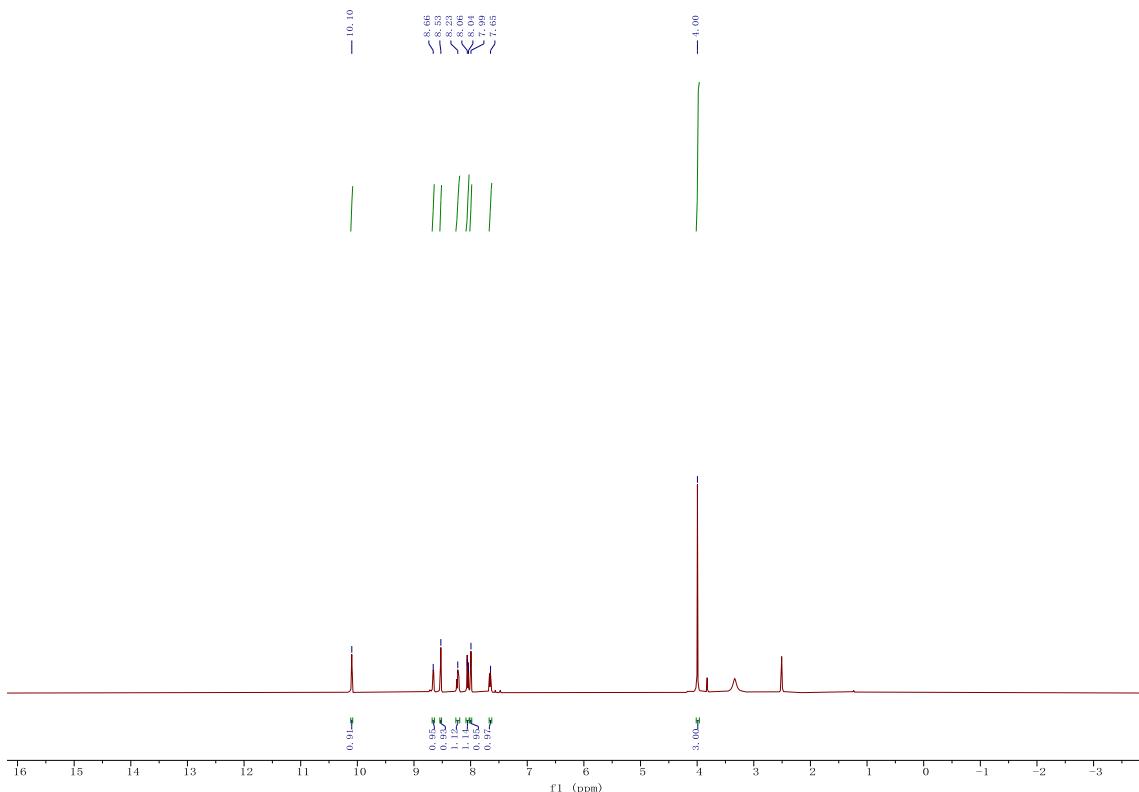


**Figure S2b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **L7** in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



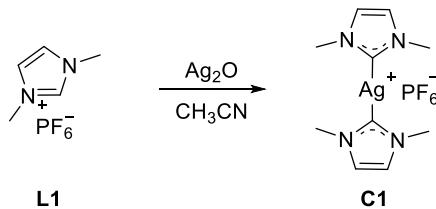
#### Synthesis of 3-methyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-3-ium bromide (**L8**)<sup>1</sup>

2-bromopyridine (0.82 g, 10 mmol) and 1-methyl-1H-imidazole (1.58 g 10 mmol) were added in a sealed tube. The reaction was allowed to stir at 160 °C for 2 days. The solvent was evaporated to dryness and the corresponding crude was purified by column chromatography with silica gel (dichloromethane/methanol). The volatile solvent was removed to obtain the brown product. The product was dried under vacuum. Yield: 1.25 g (52 %).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  10.10 (s, -CH, 1H), 8.66 (s, =CH, 1H), 8.53 (s, =CH, 1H), 8.23 (s, =CH, 1H), 8.05 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, =CH, 1H), 7.99 (s, =CH, 1H), 7.65 (s, =CH, 1H), 4.00 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H).

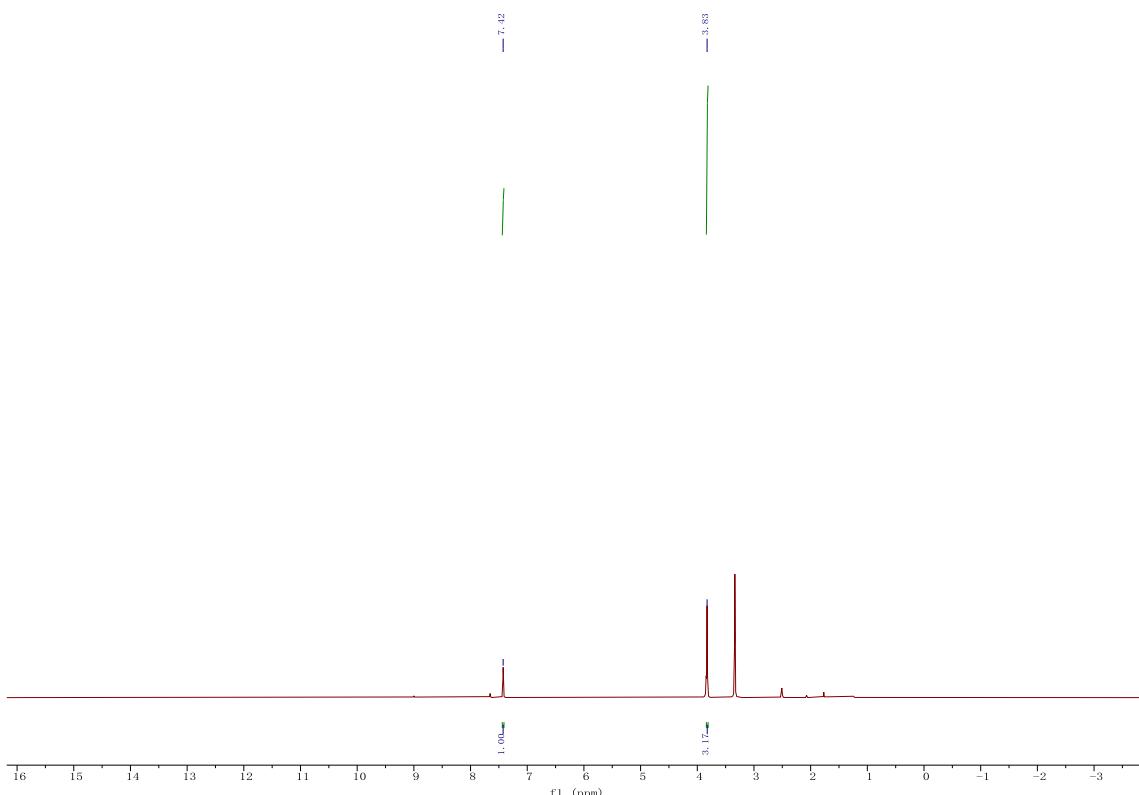


**Figure S3.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **L8** in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .

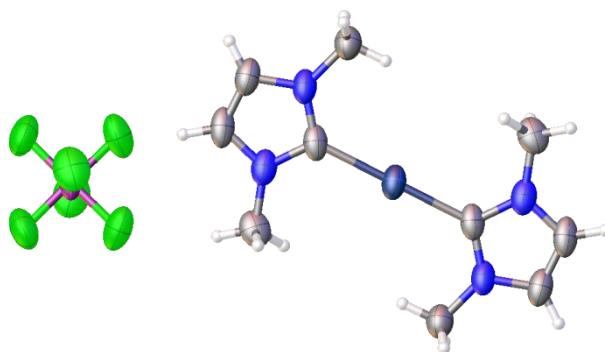
### Synthesis of **C1**<sup>3</sup>



In a flask (50 mL), imidazolium salts **L1** (0.099 g, 0.75 mmol),  $\text{Ag}_2\text{O}$  (0.23 g, 1.0 mmol) and 10 mL  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  were added in order. The mixture was stirred at R.T. for 2 days under dark circumstances. The slurry was filtered through a Celite pad. The volatile solvent was removed to obtain the brown product. The product was dried under vacuum. Yield: 108 mg (65%).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.42 (s, =CH, 1H), 3.83 (s, - $\text{CH}_3$ , 3H). The single crystal suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis was obtained from slow diffusion of diethyl ether into an acetonitrile solution of **C1** at room temperature.

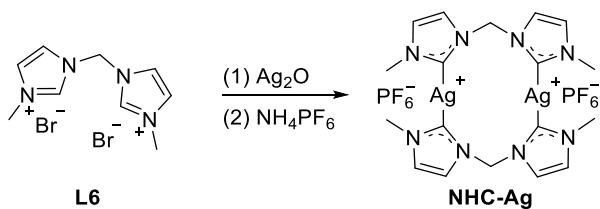


**Figure S4-a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **C1** in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



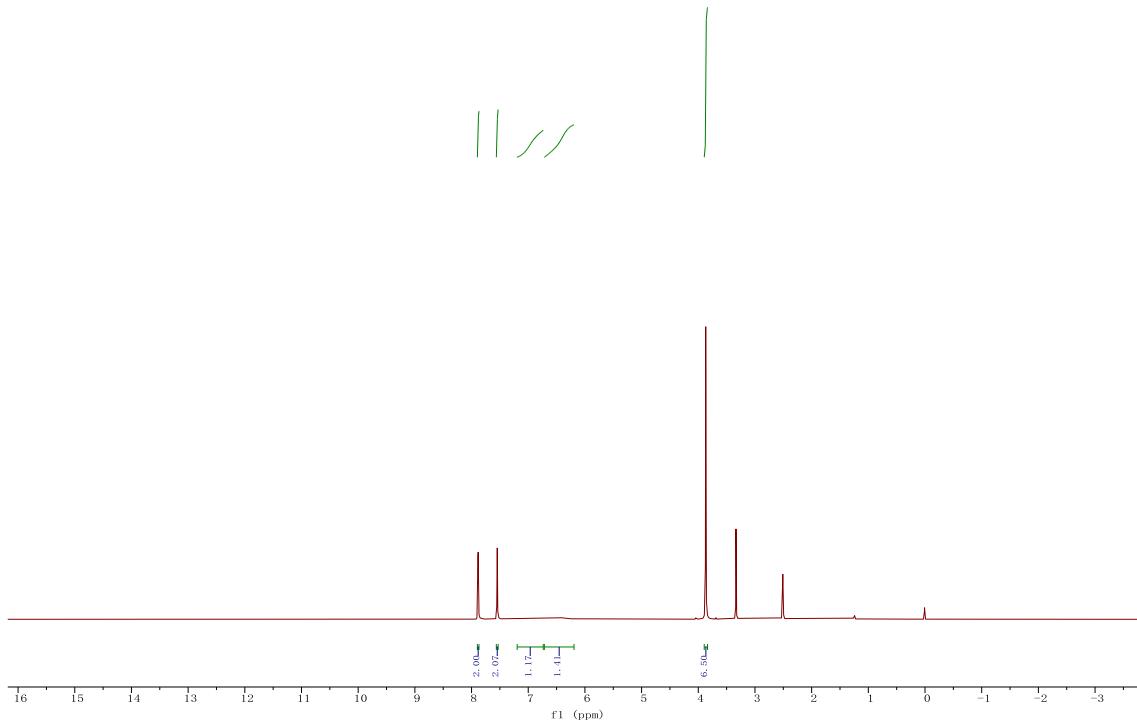
**Figure S4-b.** Crystal structure of **C1**. (CCDC 2343004)

#### Synthesis of NHC-Ag<sup>4,5</sup>

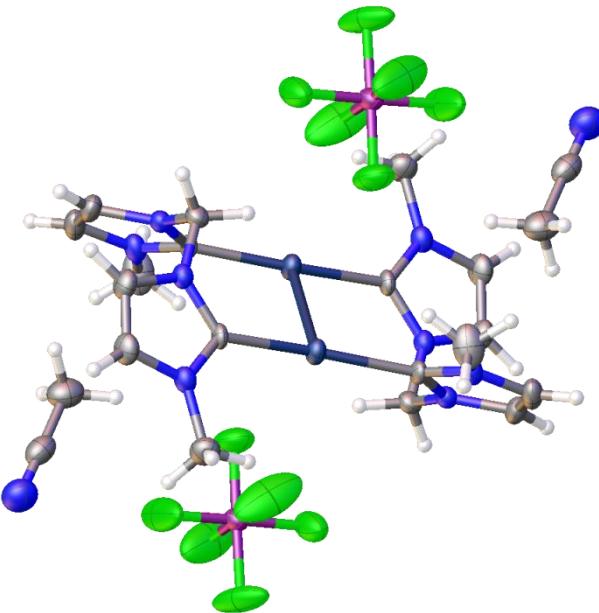


In a flask (50 mL), imidazolium salts **L6** (0.606 g, 2 mmol),  $\text{Ag}_2\text{O}$  (1.16 g, 5 mmol) and 10 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  were added in order. The mixture was stirred at R.T. for 15 minutes under dark circumstances. The slurry was filtered through a Celite pad.  $\text{NH}_4\text{PF}_6$  (326mg, 2mmol) was added into the filtrate to precipitate **NHC-Ag** as white solid that was collected by filtration. The product was dried under vacuum. Yield: 836 mg (97%).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )

$\delta$  7.89 (d,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, =CH, 2H), 7.55 (d,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, =CH, 2H), 6.69 (d, =CH, 2H), 3.87 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 6H) ppm. The single crystal suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis was obtained from slow diffusion of diethyl ether into an acetonitrile solution of **NHC-Ag** at room temperature.



**Figure S5-a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **NHC-Ag** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



**Figure S5-b.** Crystal structure of **NHC-Ag**. (CCDC 2343003)

### III. *N*-alkylation of Amines with Alcohols

#### 1. GC analysis method for the condition optimization

## 1.1 GC analysis method

Injector: Mode: Split, Temp.: 330 °C, Gas: N<sub>2</sub> Pressure: 1.34 bar, Split ratio: 39:1, Split flow: 67.6 mL/min.

Column: Wondacap 1 column Capillary column (30 m × 0.25 mm), Nominal film thickness: 0.250 μm, Temperature program: Initial temperature 100 °C, heat to 120 °C with 5 °C/min, then heat to 200 °C with 50 °C/min, hold for 5 min.

Initial Flow: 1.62 mL/min, Average velocity: 39.4 cm/sec, Pressure: 1.34 bar. Detector (FID): Temp.: 330 °C, Hydrogen flow: 40.0 mL/min, Air flow: 400.0 mL/min. Preparation of GC sample:

Dilute the crude reaction mixture with 2 mL CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 5 mL EtOAc, and 113 uL dodecane in order, filtered through the syringe filter, and collected in GC vials for analysis.

Retention times: Benzaldehyde: 2.79 min, Aniline: 2.87 min, Benzyl alcohol: 3.33 min, *N*-1-diphenylmethanimine: 8.66 min, *N,N*-benzyl phenylamine: 9.05 min.

## 2. The *N*-alkylation of amines with alcohols by silver complex

### 2.1 The general method for screening the reaction conditions

To a 10 mL seal tube charged with a stirring bar in a glovebox, was added aniline (**2a**), benzyl alcohol (**1a**), base, Ag catalyst, and 1 mL solvent. Then the tube was sealed with a Teflon plug and removed from the glovebox. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 150 °C. After cooling to R.T., the crude reaction mixture was diluted with 2 mL CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 5 mL EtOAc, and 113 uL dodecane in order, filtered through a syringe filter, and collected in GC vials for analysis.

**Table S1.** Optimization of reaction conditions

Entry	<b>1a/2a</b>	<b>Cat.</b> (mol%)	T (°C)	Base (eq.)	Solvent (1 mL)	Time (h)	<b>3a</b> Yield (%)
1	2.0	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	95
2	2.0	Ag <sub>2</sub> O (2.5) + <b>L1</b> (10.0)	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	30
3	1.5	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.5)	1,4-dioxane	24	78
4	1.5	5.0	150	NaO'Bu (0.5)	1,4-dioxane	24	72
5	1.5	5.0	150	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (0.5)	1,4-dioxane	24	trace
6	1.5	5.0	150	KOH (0.5)	1,4-dioxane	24	trace
7		5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.5)	neat	24	16
8	1.5	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.5)	toluene	24	68
9	1.5	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.5)	xylene	24	65
10	2.0	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.5)	1,4-dioxane	24	89
11	3.0	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.5)	1,4-dioxane	24	85
12	1.5	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	89
13	1.5	5.0	150	KO'Bu (0.9)	1,4-dioxane	24	47
14	2.0	2.5	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	94(90)
15	2.0	1.0	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	88
16	2.0	2.5	140	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	66
17	2.0	2.5	120	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	36
18	2.0	2.5	100	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	14
19	2.0		150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	trace
20	2.0	Ag <sub>2</sub> O (2.5)	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	trace
21	2.0	<b>L6</b> (5.0)	150	KO'Bu (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	trace

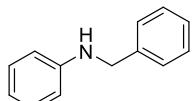
22	2.0	$\text{Ag}_2\text{O}$ (2.5) + <b>L6</b> (5.0)	150	$\text{KO}'\text{Bu}$ (0.7)	1,4-dioxane	24	74
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## 2.2 The general method for the substrate screenings

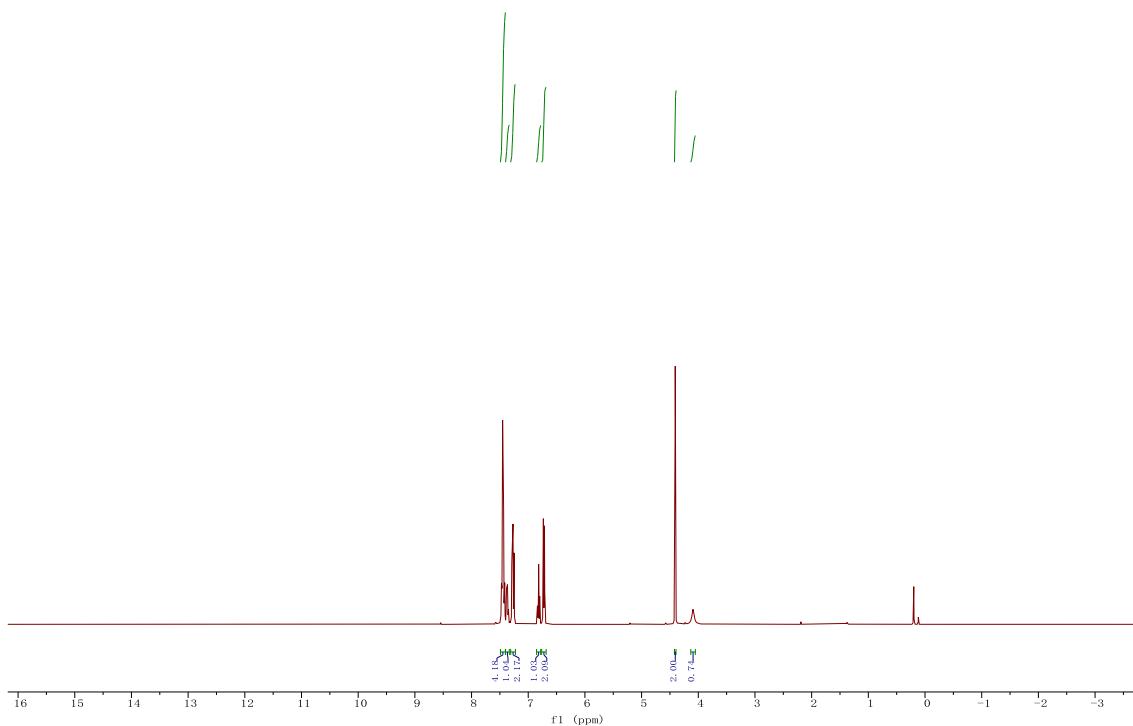
To a 10 mL seal tube in a glovebox, added amines (**2**, 0.5 mmol), alcohols (**1**, 1.0 mmol),  $\text{KO}'\text{Bu}$  (0.7 equiv.), **NHC-Ag** (2.5 mol%) and 1,4-dioxane (1 mL). Then the tube was sealed with a Teflon plug and removed from the glove box. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 150 °C. After cooling to R.T., the crude reaction mixture was diluted with 2 mL  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  and 5 mL  $\text{EtOAc}$  in order. The solvent was evaporated to dryness and the corresponding amine was purified by column chromatography with silica gel. The yields were calculated based on isolated products.

### Characterization data for products

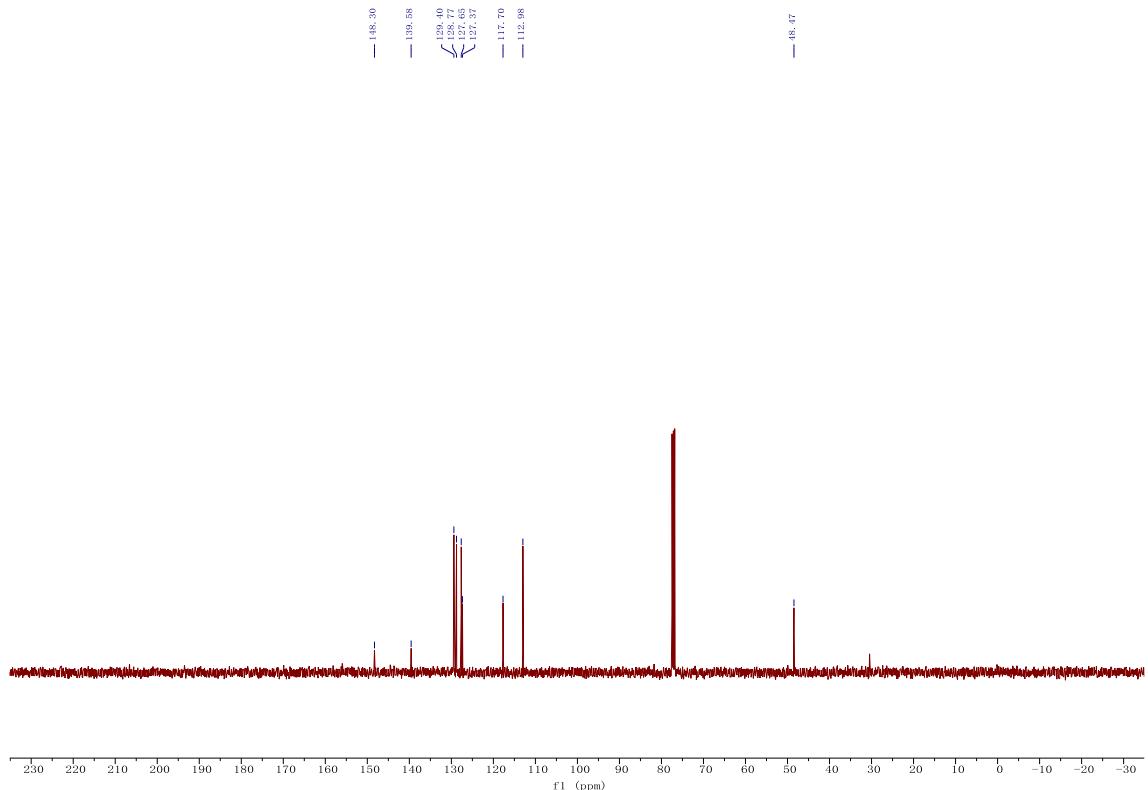
*N*-benzyl-4-methoxyaniline (**3aa**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 95 % isolated yield, 87 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.49 – 7.41 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.29 – 7.23 (t, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.86 – 6.78 (t, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.76 – 6.69 (d, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.41 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.09 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 48.47, 112.98, 117.70, 127.37, 127.65, 128.77, 129.40, 139.58, 148.30 ppm.

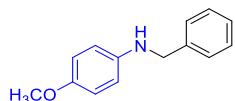


**Figure S6-1a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **3aa** in Chloroform-*d*.

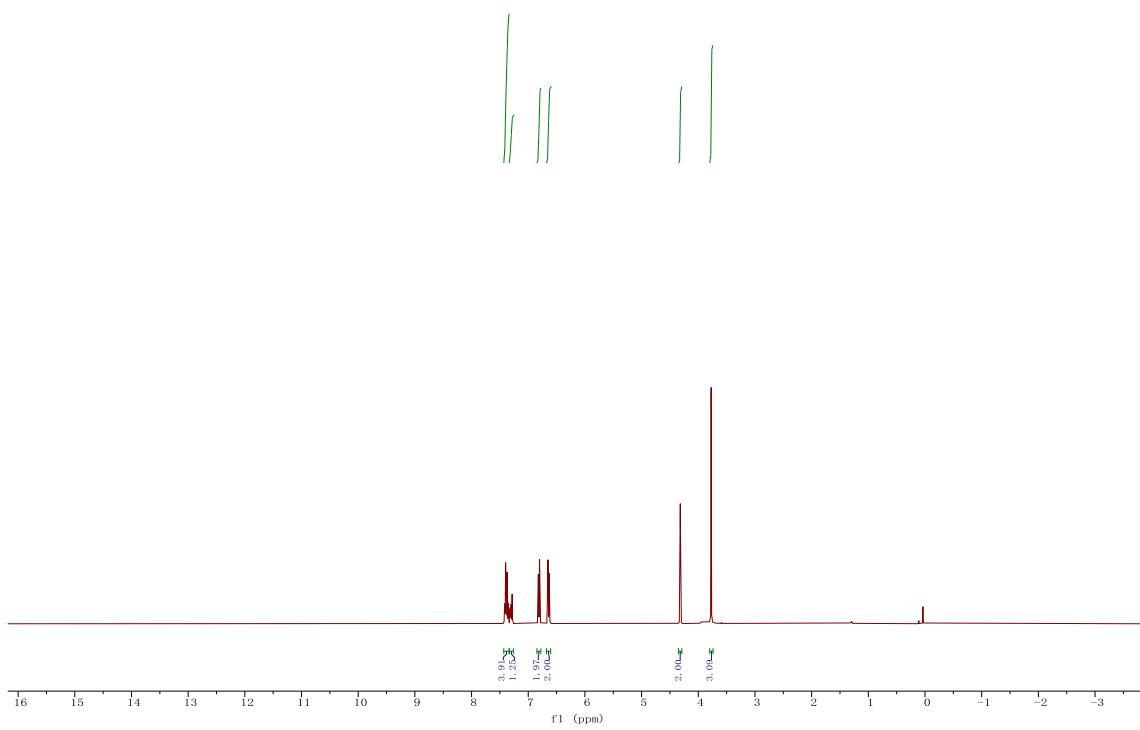


**Figure S6-1b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3aa** in Chloroform-*d*.

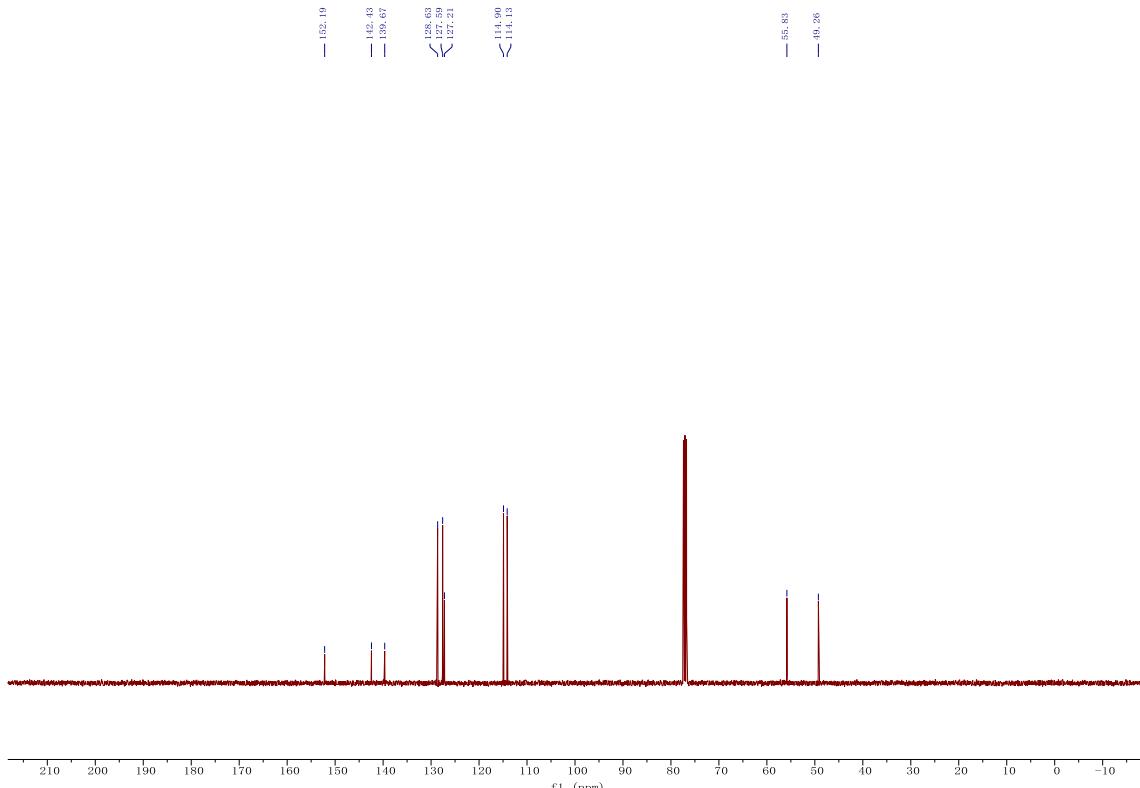
*N*-benzyl-4-methoxyaniline (**3ab**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (colorless oil, 92 % isolated yield, 98 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.45 – 7.33 (m,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ , 4H), 7.33 – 7.26 (t,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ , 1H), 6.85 – 6.77 (m,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ , 2H), 6.68 – 6.60 (m,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ , 2H), 4.32 (s,  $-\text{CH}_2$ , 2H), 3.77 (s,  $-\text{OCH}_3$ , 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 49.26, 55.83, 114.13, 114.90, 127.21, 127.59, 128.63, 139.67, 142.43, 152.19 ppm.

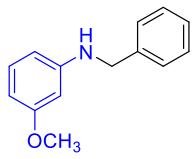


**Figure S6-2a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 3ab in Chloroform-*d*.

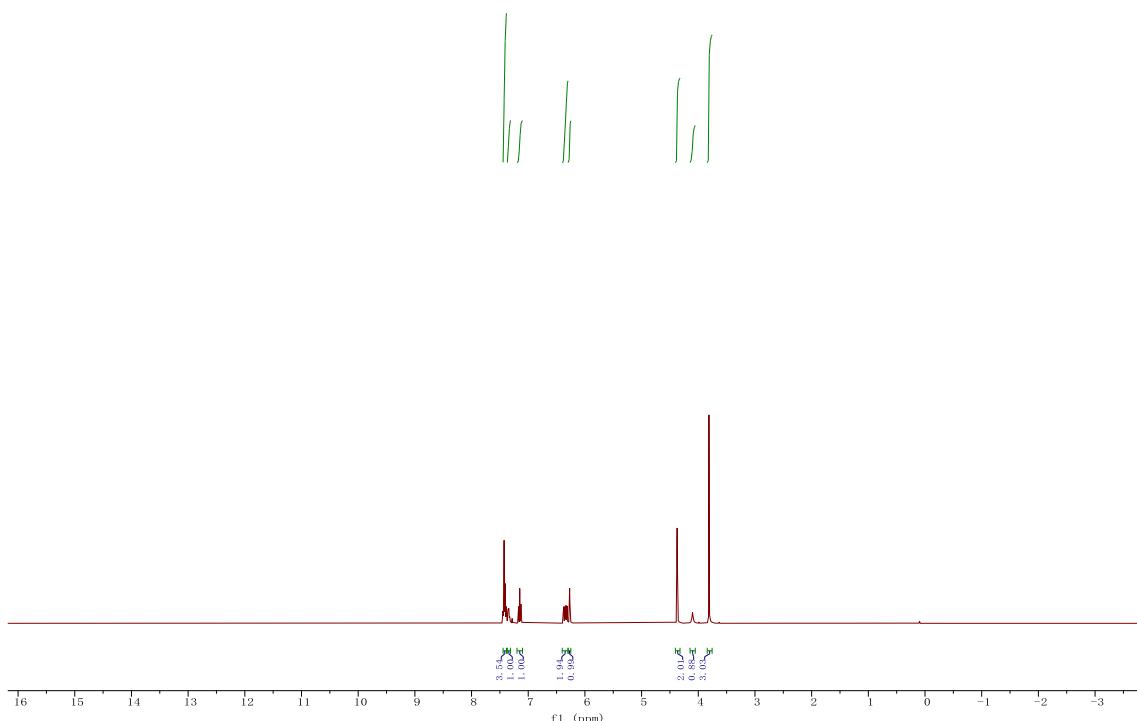


**Figure S6-2b.** The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 3ab in Chloroform-*d*.

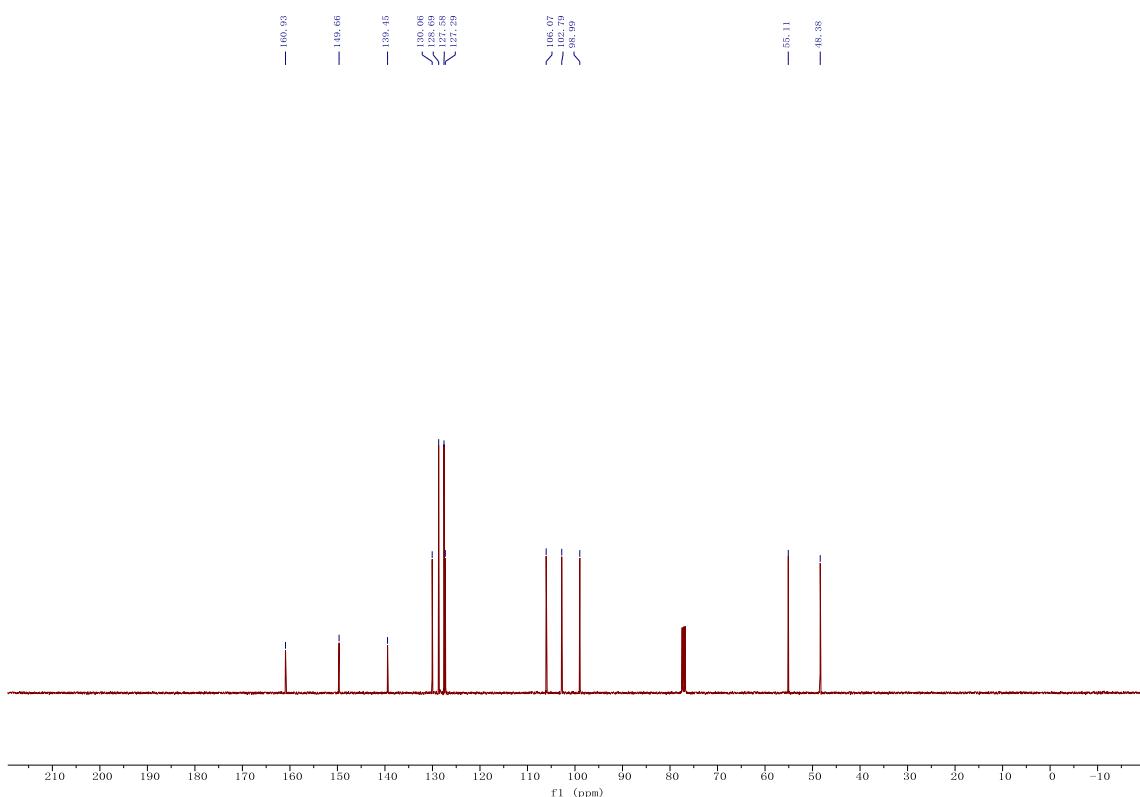
*N*-benzyl-3-methoxyaniline (**3ac**).<sup>7</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (colorless oil, 83 % isolated yield, 88 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.47 – 7.38 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.35 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.27 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.37 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.10 (s, -NH, 1H), 3.81 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.38, 55.11, 98.99, 102.79, 106.07, 127.29, 127.58, 128.69, 130.06, 139.45, 149.66, 160.93 ppm.



**Figure S6-3a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ac** in Chloroform-*d*.

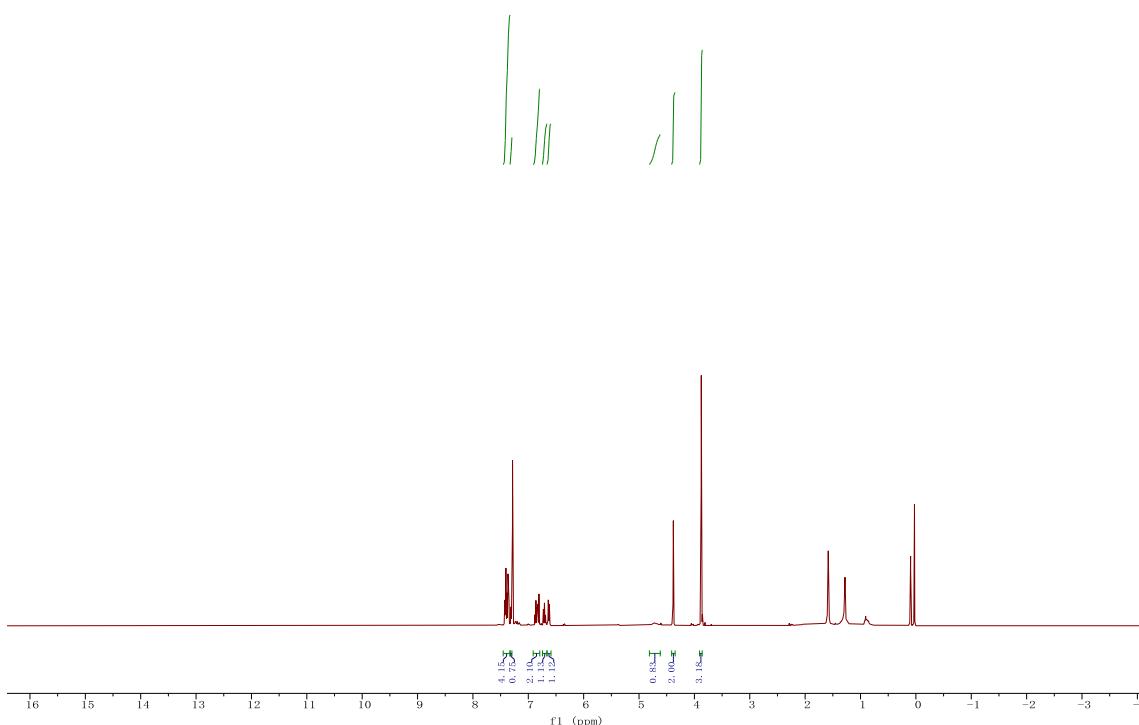


**Figure S6-3b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ac** in Chloroform-*d*.

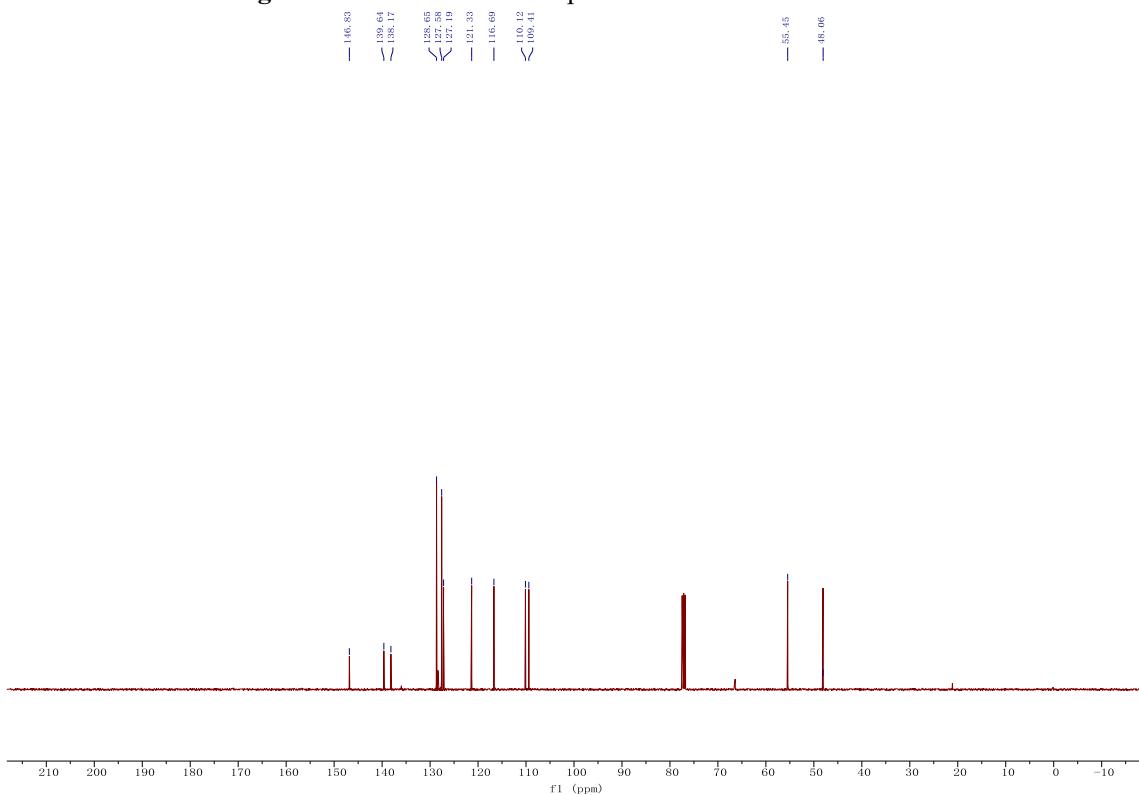
*N*-benzyl-2-methoxyaniline (**3ad**).<sup>8</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 87 % isolated yield, 93 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.49 – 7.37 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.91 – 6.83 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.75 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.67 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.70 (s, -NH, 1H), 4.42 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 3.91 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.06, 55.45, 109.41, 110.12, 116.69, 121.33, 127.19, 127.58, 128.65, 138.17, 139.64, 146.83 ppm.

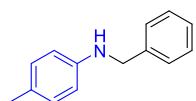


**Figure S6-4a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ad** in Chloroform-*d*.

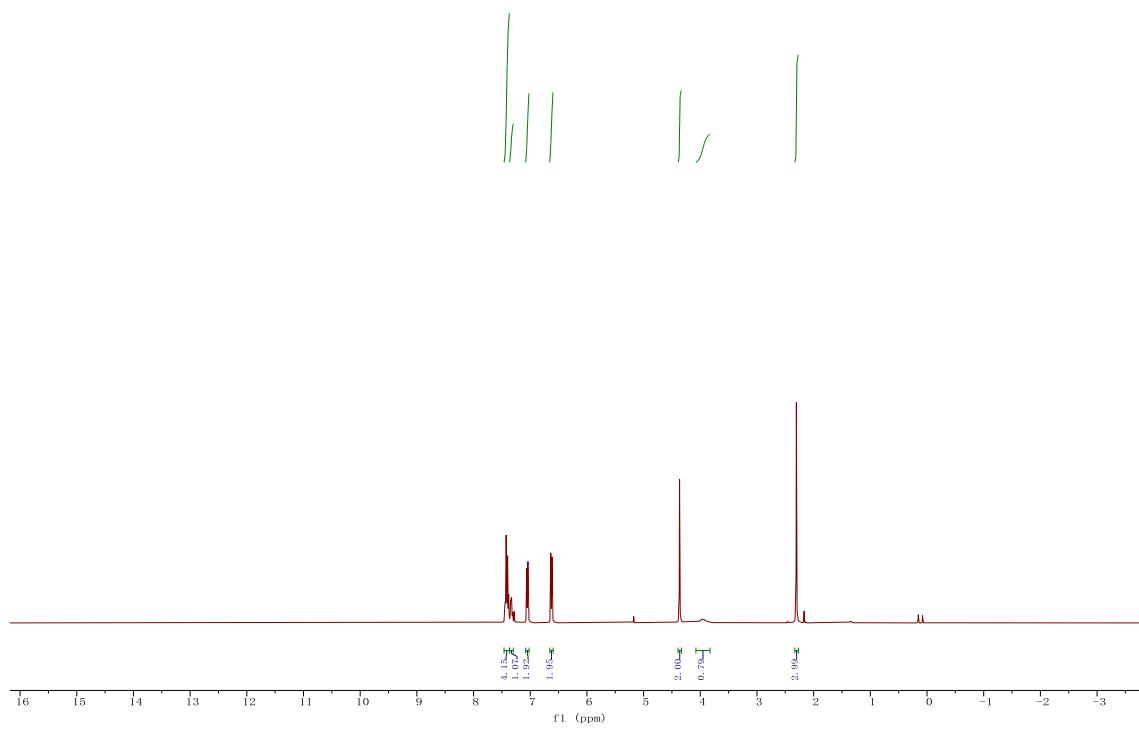


**Figure S6-4b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ad** in Chloroform-*d*.

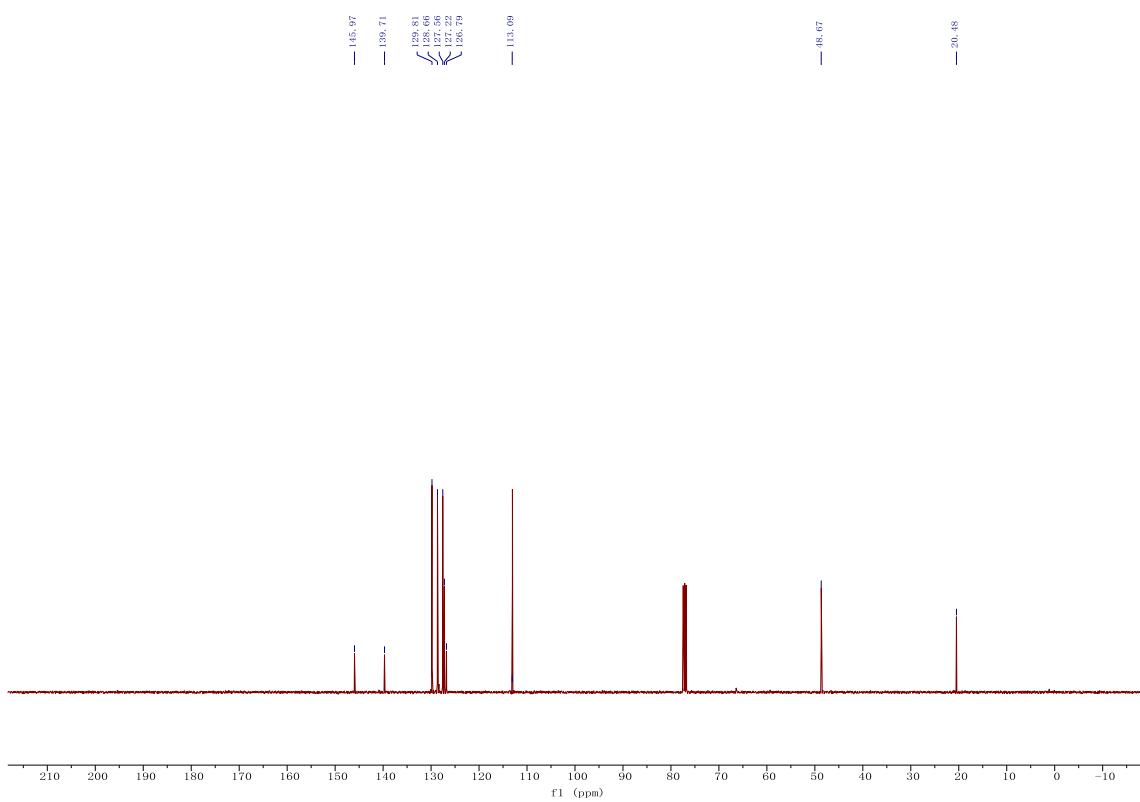
*N*-benzyl-4-methylaniline (**3ae**).<sup>6</sup>



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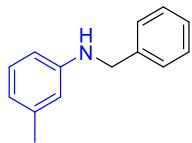


**Figure S6-5a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 3ae in Chloroform-*d*.

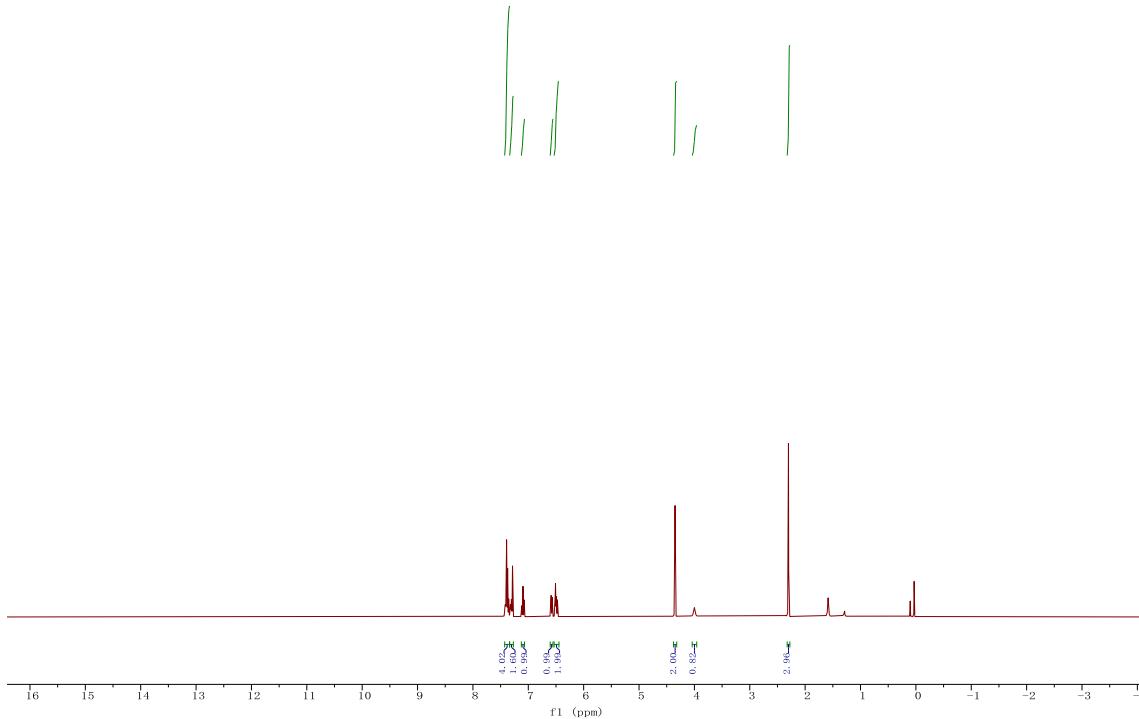


**Figure S6-5b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ae** in Chloroform-*d*.

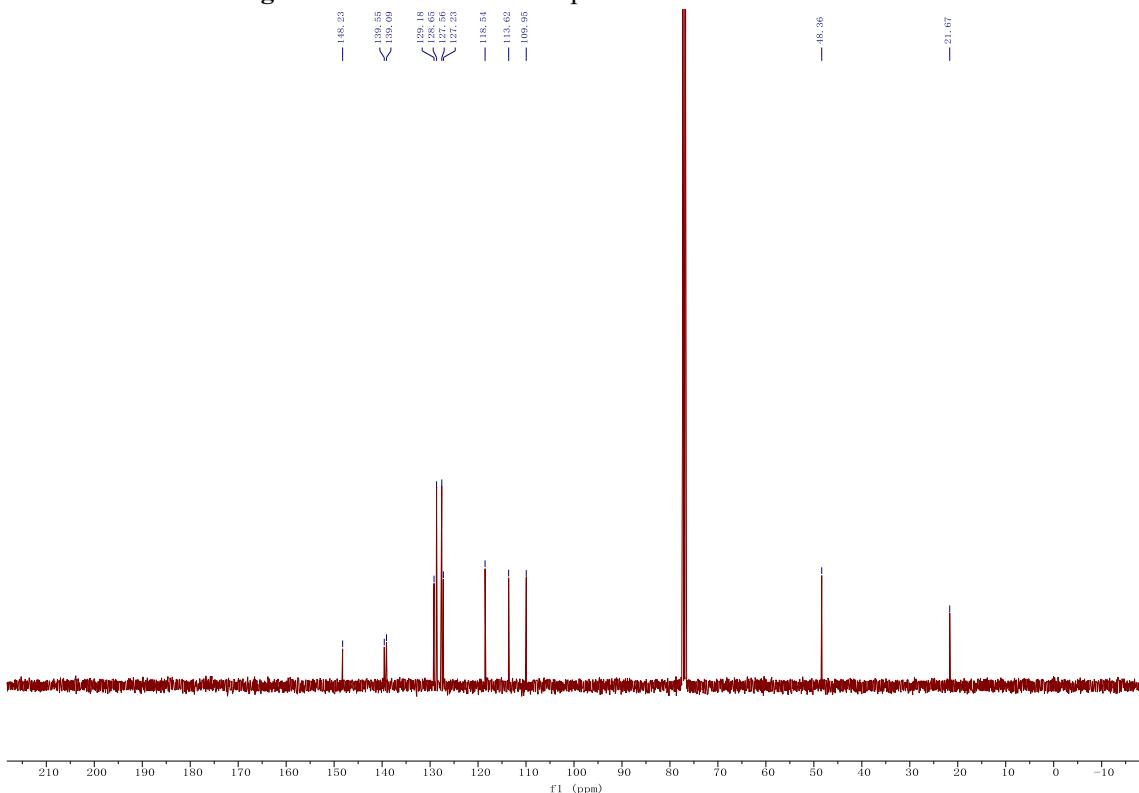
*N*-benzyl-3-methylaniline (**3af**).<sup>8</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 76 % isolated yield, 75 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.43 – 7.34 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.10 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.58 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.53 – 6.46 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.35 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.00 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.30 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 21.67, 48.36, 109.95, 113.62, 118.54, 127.23, 127.56, 128.65, 129.18, 139.09, 139.55, 148.23 ppm.

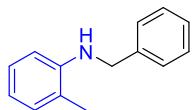


**Figure S6-6a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3af** in Chloroform-*d*.

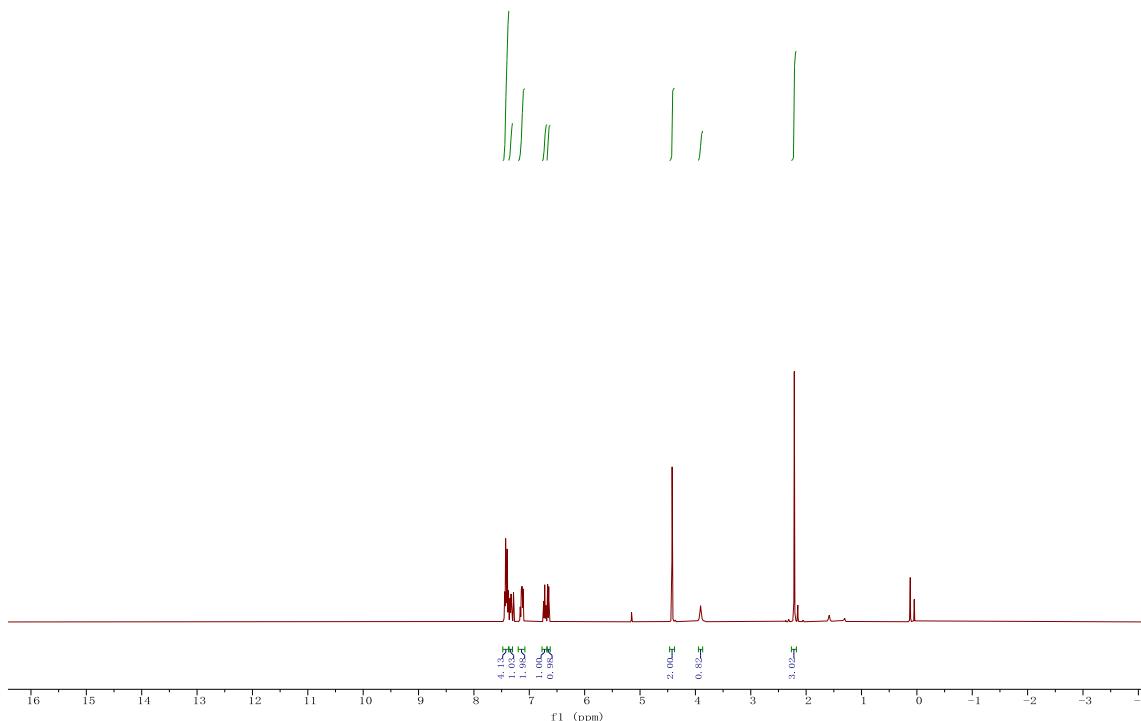


**Figure S6-6b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3af** in Chloroform-*d*.

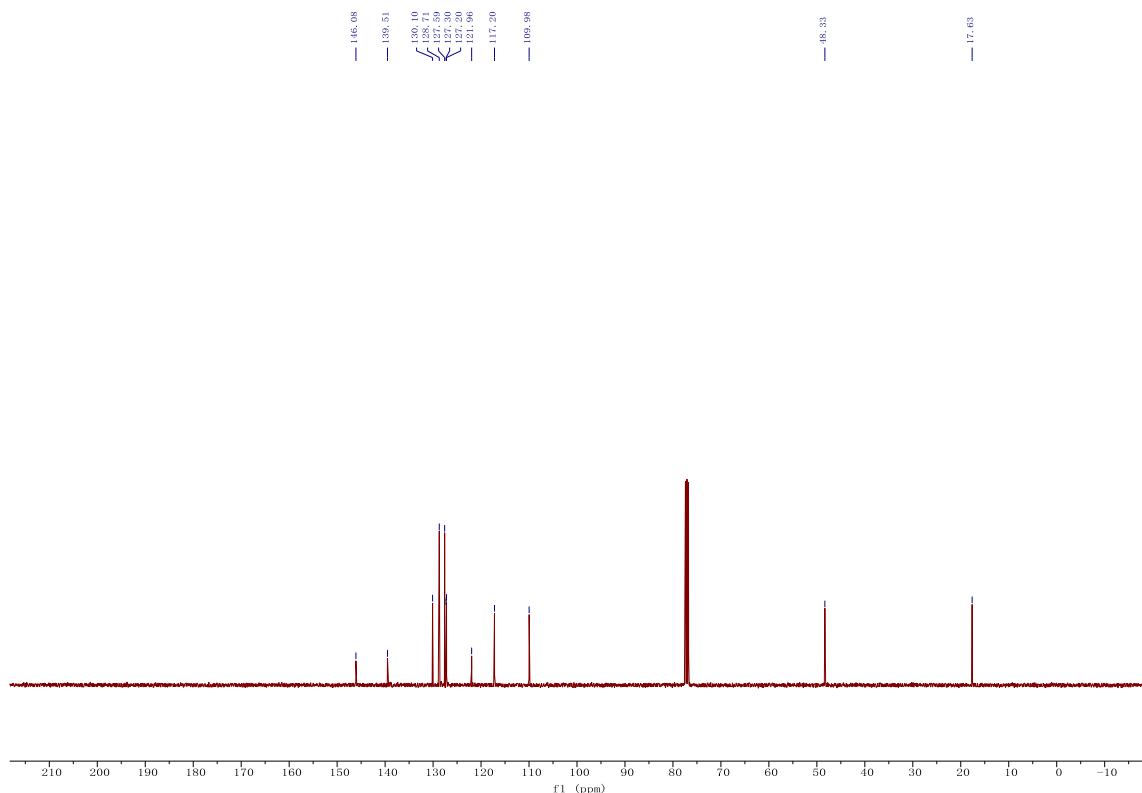
*N*-benzyl-2-methylaniline (**3ag**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 82 % isolated yield, 81 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.46 – 7.37 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.19 – 7.09 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.72 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.42 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 3.91 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.21 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 17.63, 48.33, 109.98, 117.20, 121.96, 127.20, 127.30, 127.59, 128.71, 130.10, 139.51, 146.08 ppm.

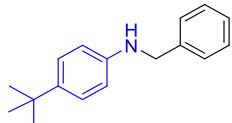


**Figure S6-7a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ag** in Chloroform-*d*.

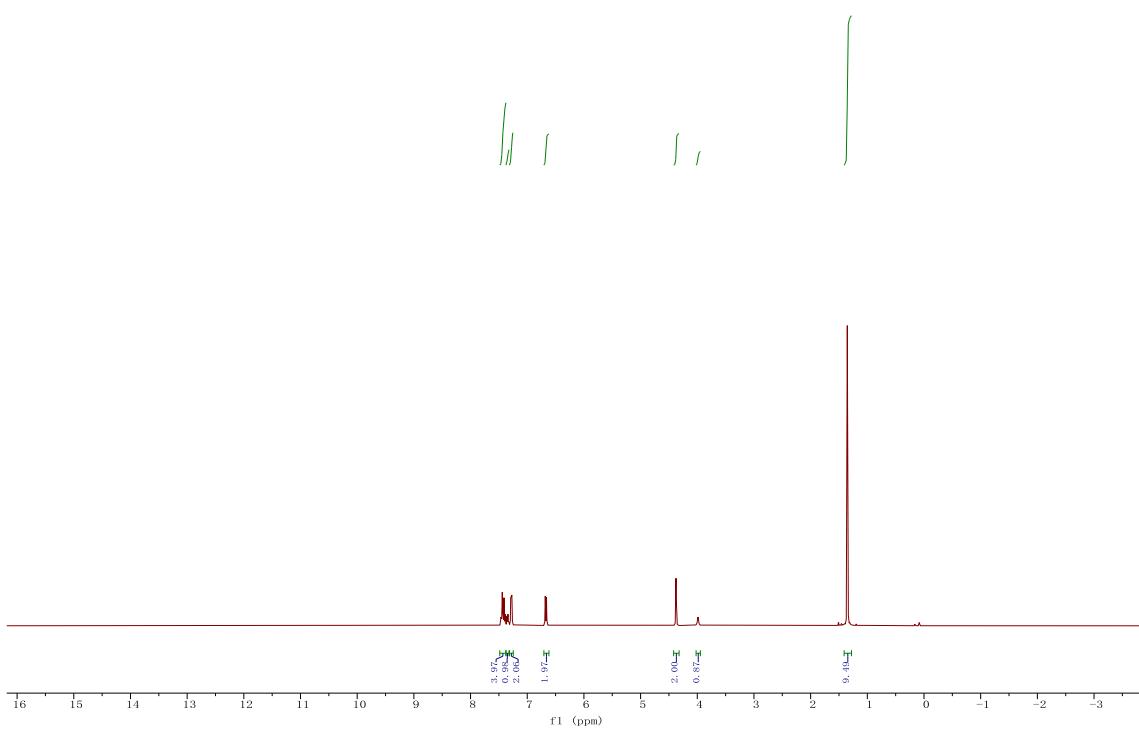


**Figure S6-7b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ag** in Chloroform-*d*.

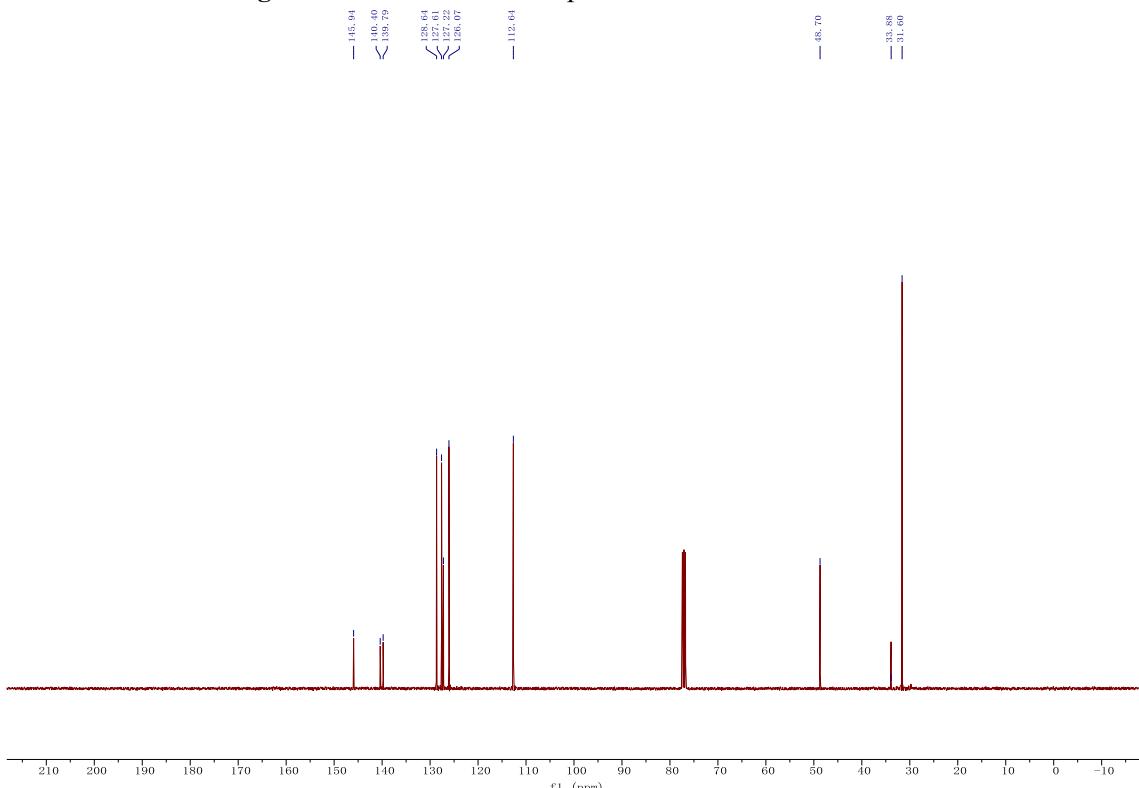
*N*-benzyl-4-(*tert*-butyl)aniline (**3ah**).<sup>9</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 98 % isolated yield, 117 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.49 – 7.38 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.38 – 7.34 (t, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.71 – 6.65 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.38 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.00 (s, -NH, 1H), 1.36 (s, -C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, 9H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 31.60, 33.88, 48.70, 112.64, 126.07, 127.22, 127.61, 128.64, 139.79, 140.40, 145.94 ppm.

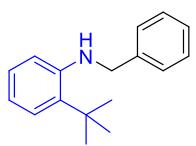


**Figure S6-8a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 3ah in Chloroform-*d*.

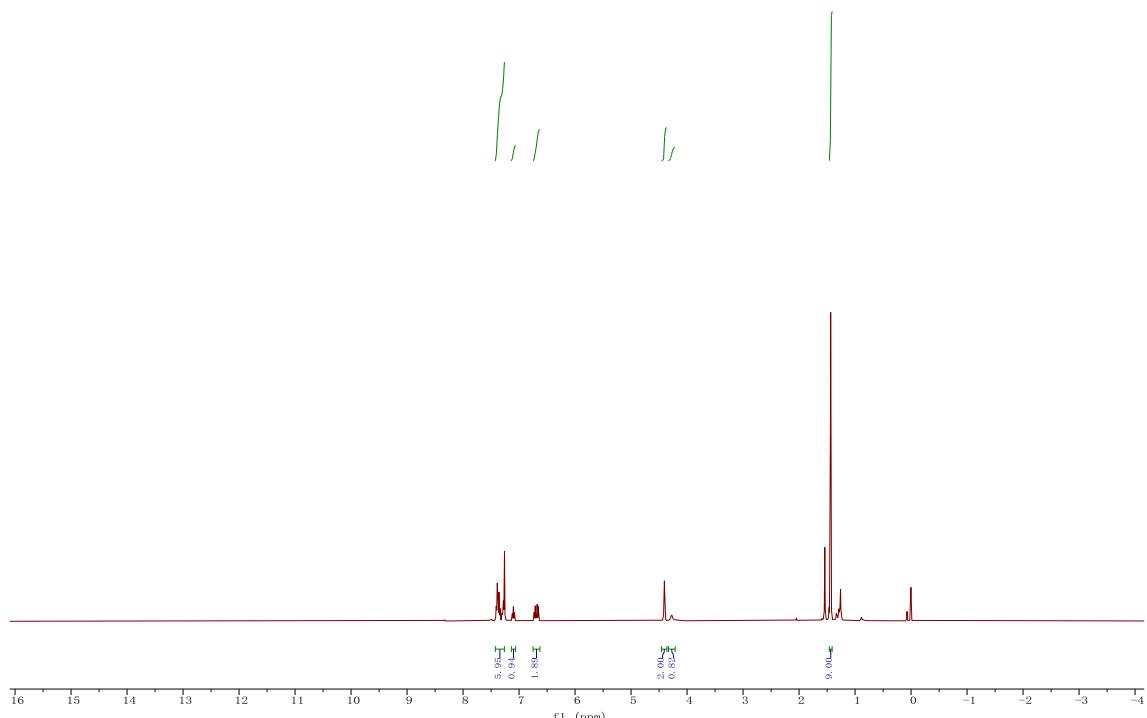


**Figure S6-8b.** The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 3ah in Chloroform-*d*.

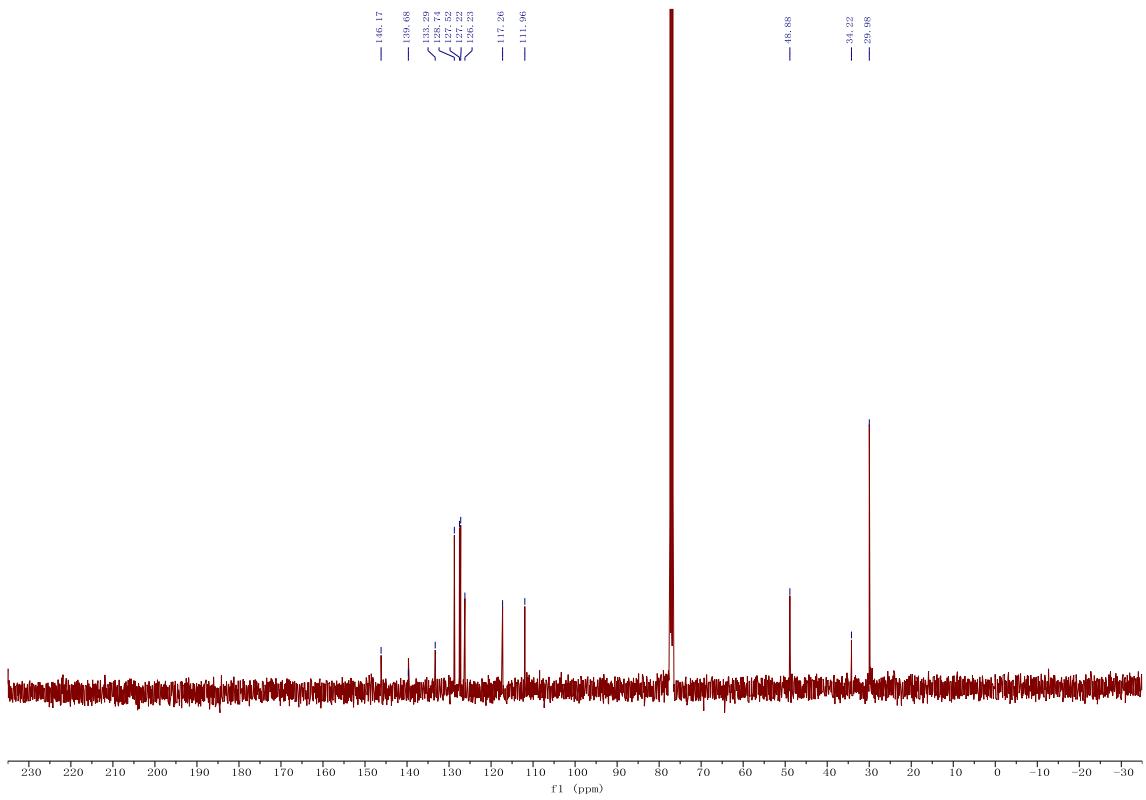
*N*-benzyl-2-(tert-butyl)aniline (3ai).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 60 % isolated yield, 72 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.42 – 7.27 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 6H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.75 – 6.63 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.41 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.28 (s, -NH, 1H), 1.44 (s, -C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, 9H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  29.98, 34.22, 48.88, 111.96, 117.26, 126.23, 127.22, 127.52, 128.74, 133.29, 139.68, 146.17 ppm.

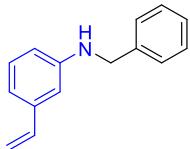


**Figure S6-9a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ai** in Chloroform-*d*.

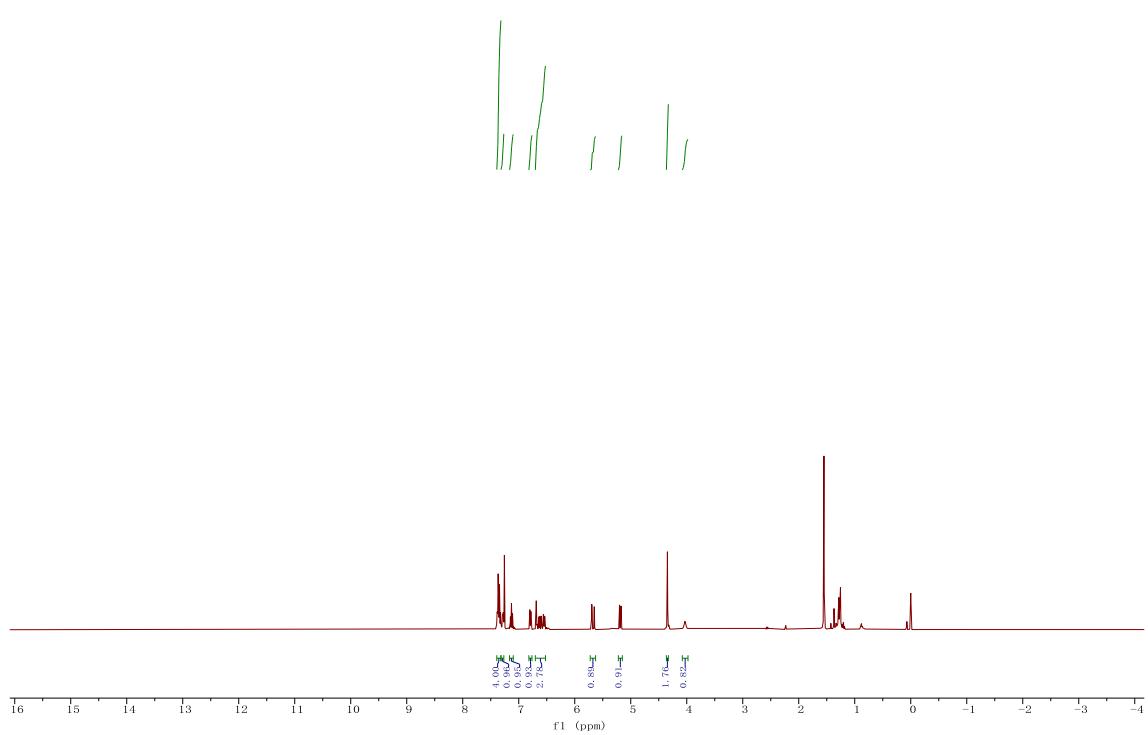


**Figure S6-9b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ai** in Chloroform-*d*.

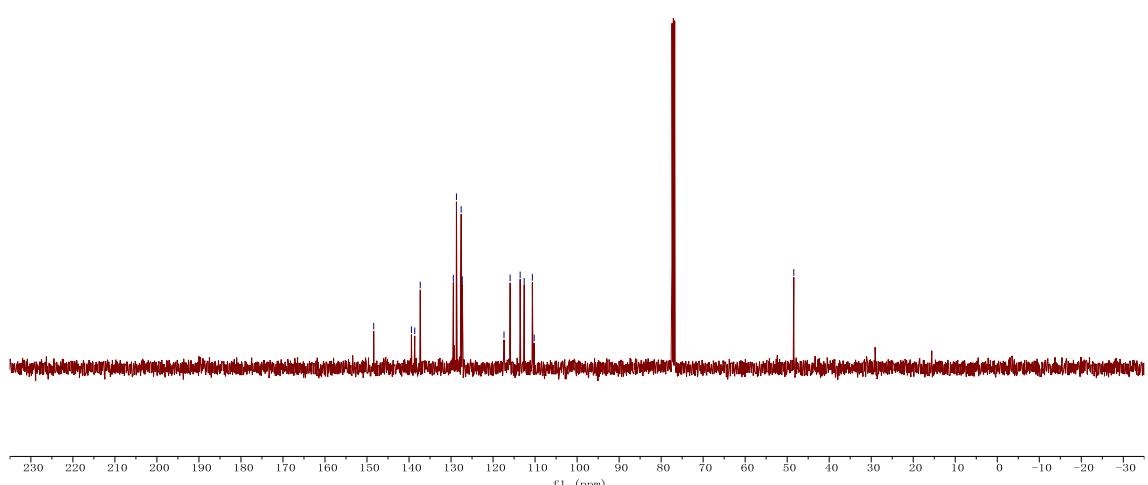
*N*-benzyl-3-vinylaniline (**3aj**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 64 % isolated yield, 67 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.41 – 7.27 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 5H), 7.12 (t, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, =CH, 1H), 6.71 – 6.50 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 5.67 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, =CH<sub>2</sub>, 1H), 5.19 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, =CH<sub>2</sub>, 1H), 4.34 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.03 (s, -NH, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  48.42, 110.21, 110.65, 112.59, 113.55, 115.94, 117.40, 127.33, 127.59, 128.71, 129.45, 137.33, 138.64, 139.43, 148.40 ppm.

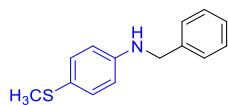


**Figure S6-10a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3aj** in Chloroform-*d*.

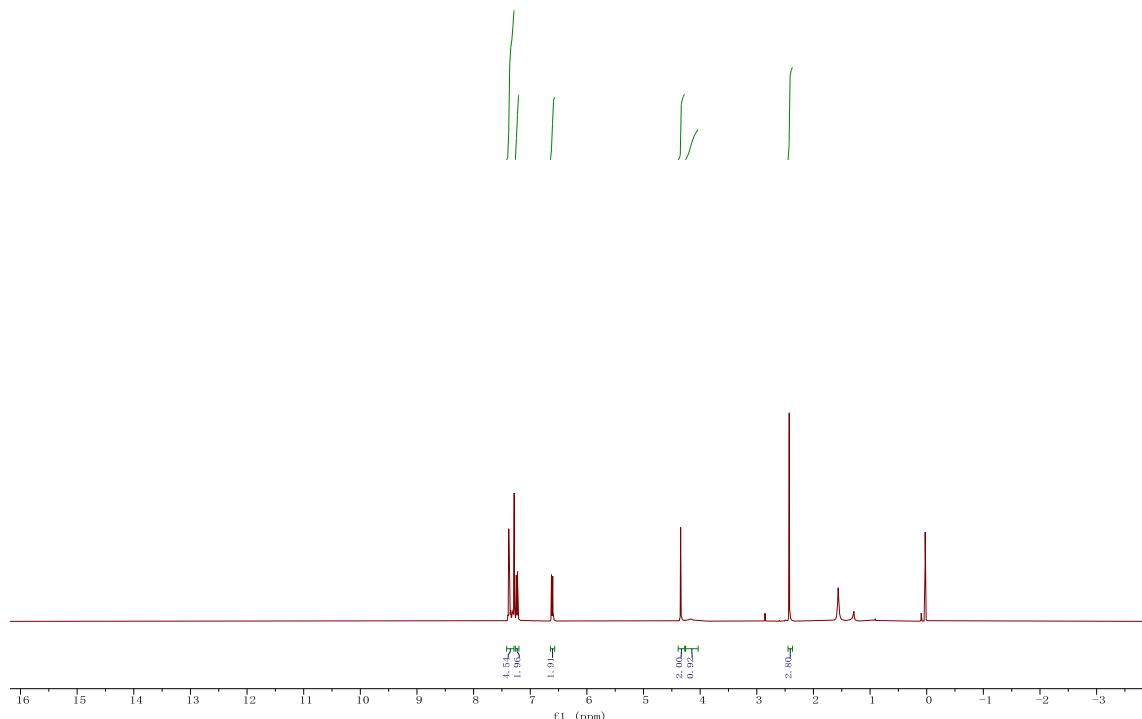


**Figure S6-10b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3aj** in Chloroform-*d*.

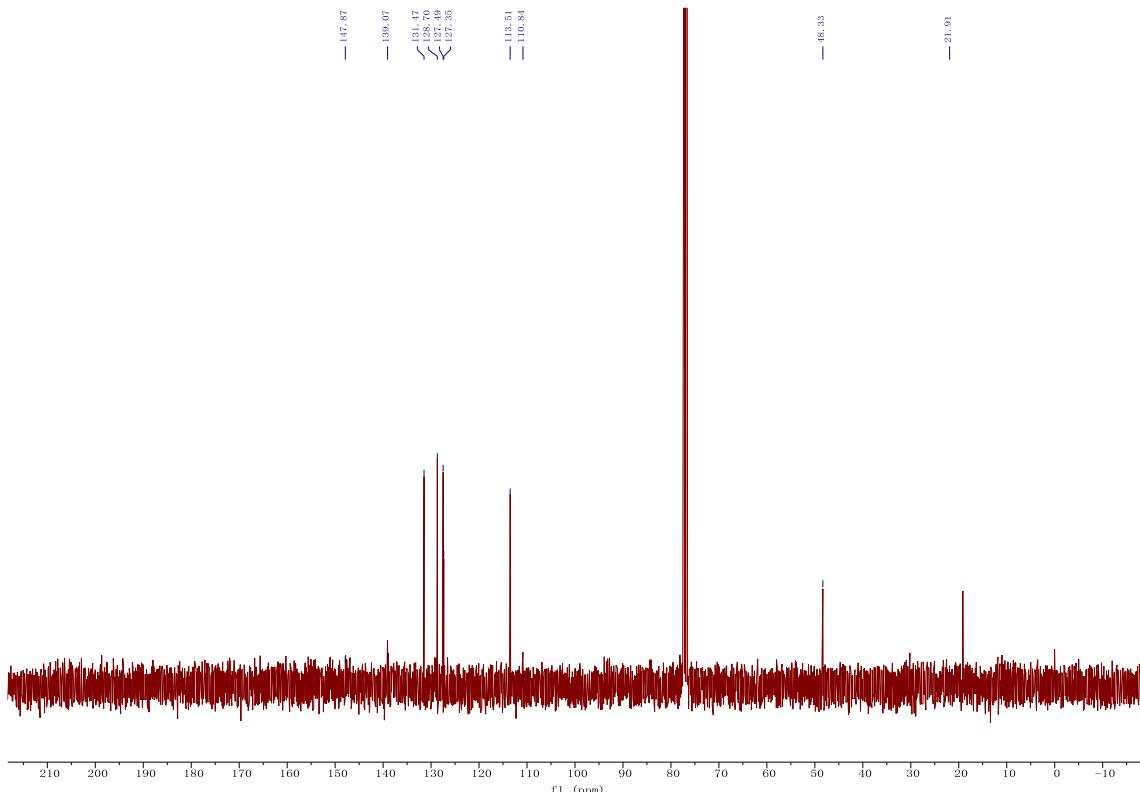
*N*-benzyl-4-(methylthio)aniline (**3ak**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 83 % isolated yield, 96 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.42 – 7.28 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 5H), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.65 – 6.58 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.34 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.17 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.43 (s, -SCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 21.91, 48.33, 110.84, 113.51, 127.35, 127.49, 128.70, 131.47, 139.07, 147.87 ppm.

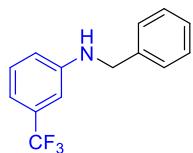


**Figure S6-11a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ak** in Chloroform-*d*.

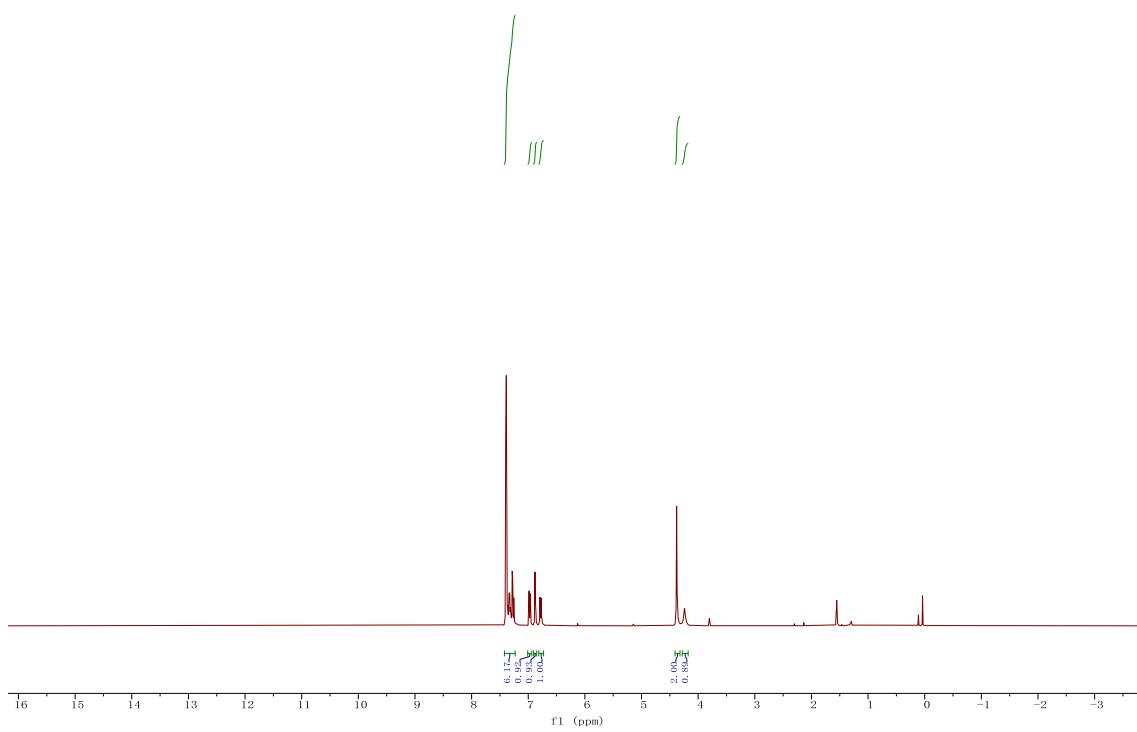


**Figure S6-11b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ak** in Chloroform-*d*.

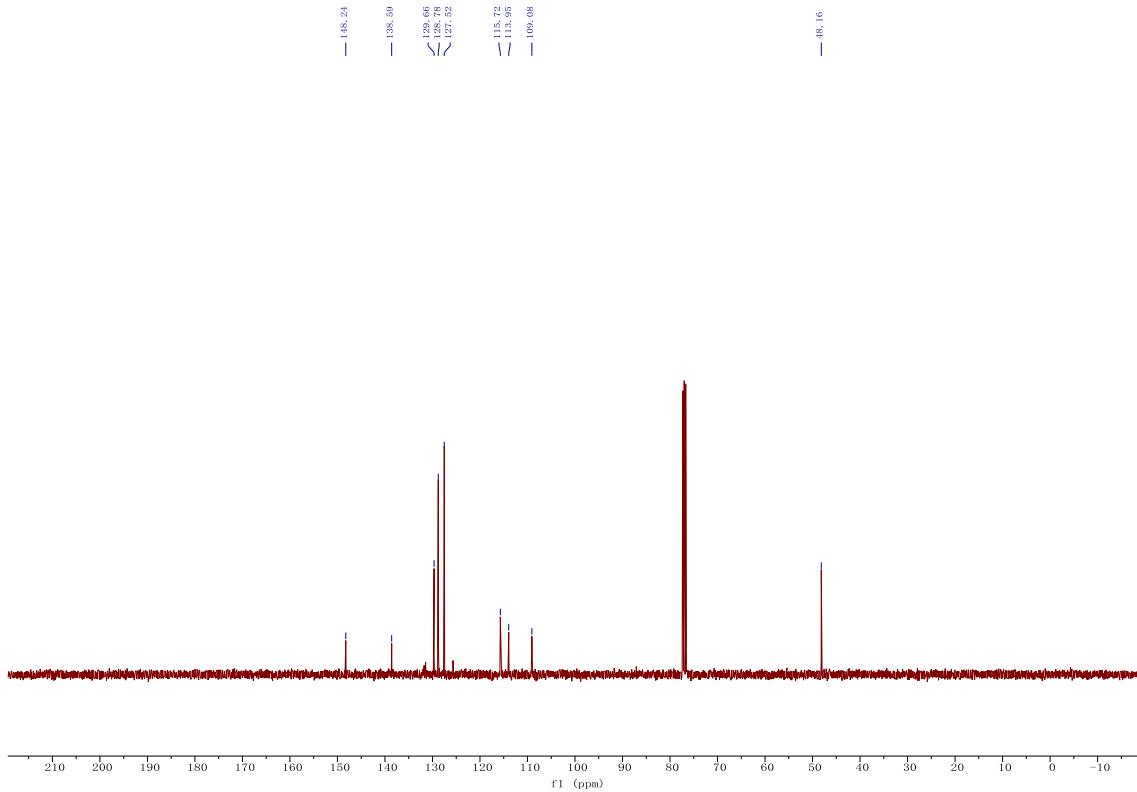
*N*-benzyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (**3al**).<sup>8</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 86 % isolated yield, 108 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.42 – 7.23 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 6H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.88 (s, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.78 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.38 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.24 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.16, 109.08, 113.95, 115.72, 127.52, 128.78, 129.66, 138.59, 148.24 ppm.

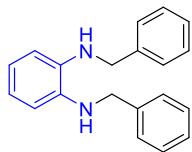


**Figure S6-12a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3al** in Chloroform-*d*.

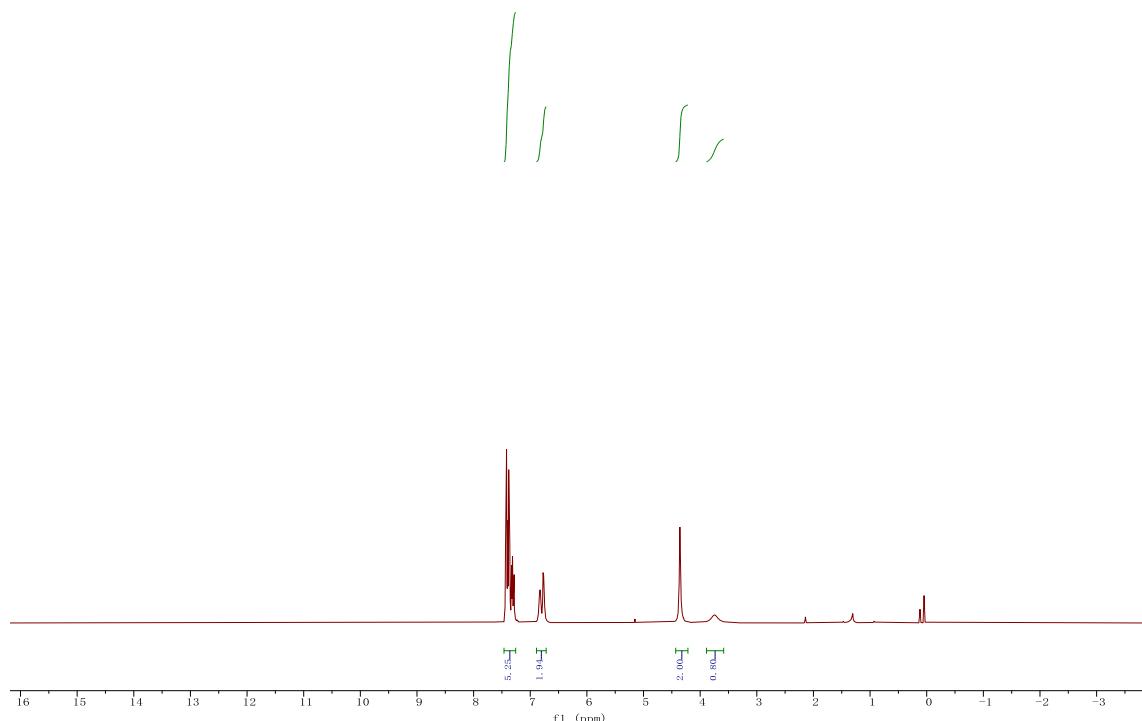


**Figure S6-12b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3al** in Chloroform-*d*.

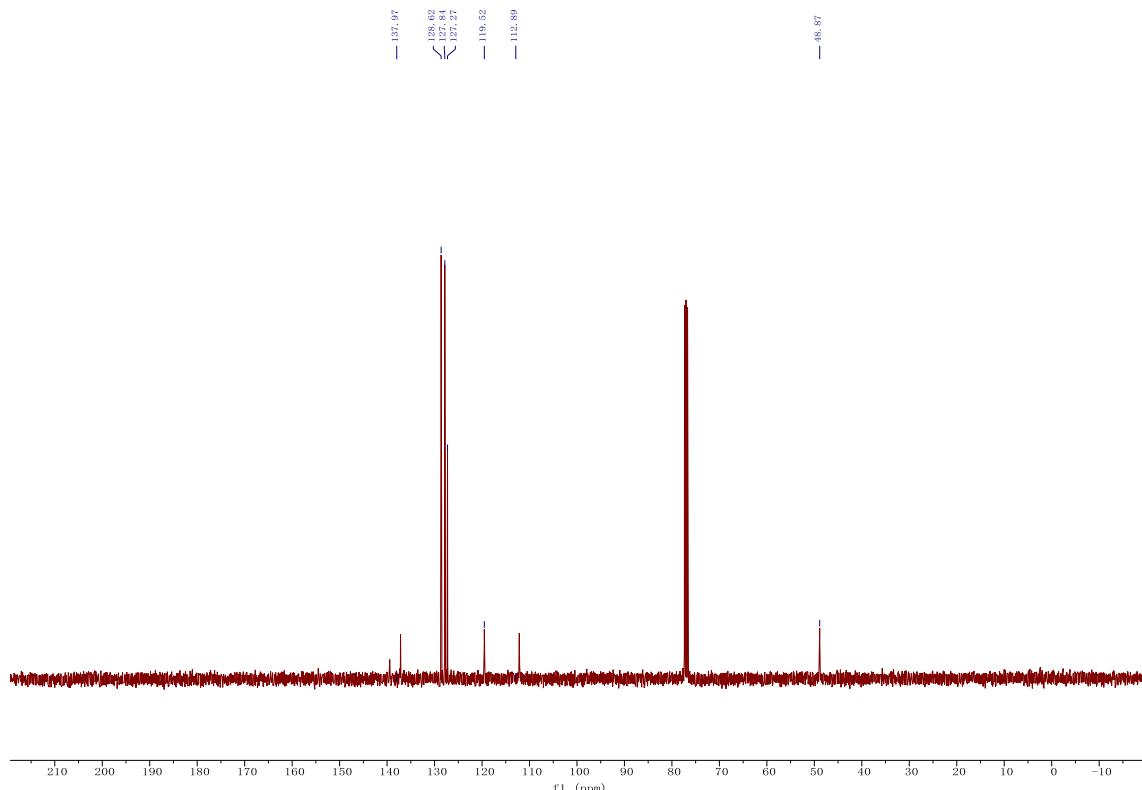
*N<sup>1</sup>, N<sup>2</sup>-dibenzylbenzene-1,2-diamine (3am).*<sup>10</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 64 % isolated yield, 92 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.48 – 7.30 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 10H), 6.90 – 6.74 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 4.38 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 4H), 3.74 (s, -NH, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.87, 112.89, 119.52, 127.27, 127.84, 128.62, 137.97 ppm.

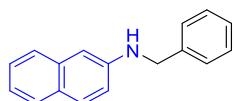


**Figure S6-13a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3am** in Chloroform-*d*.

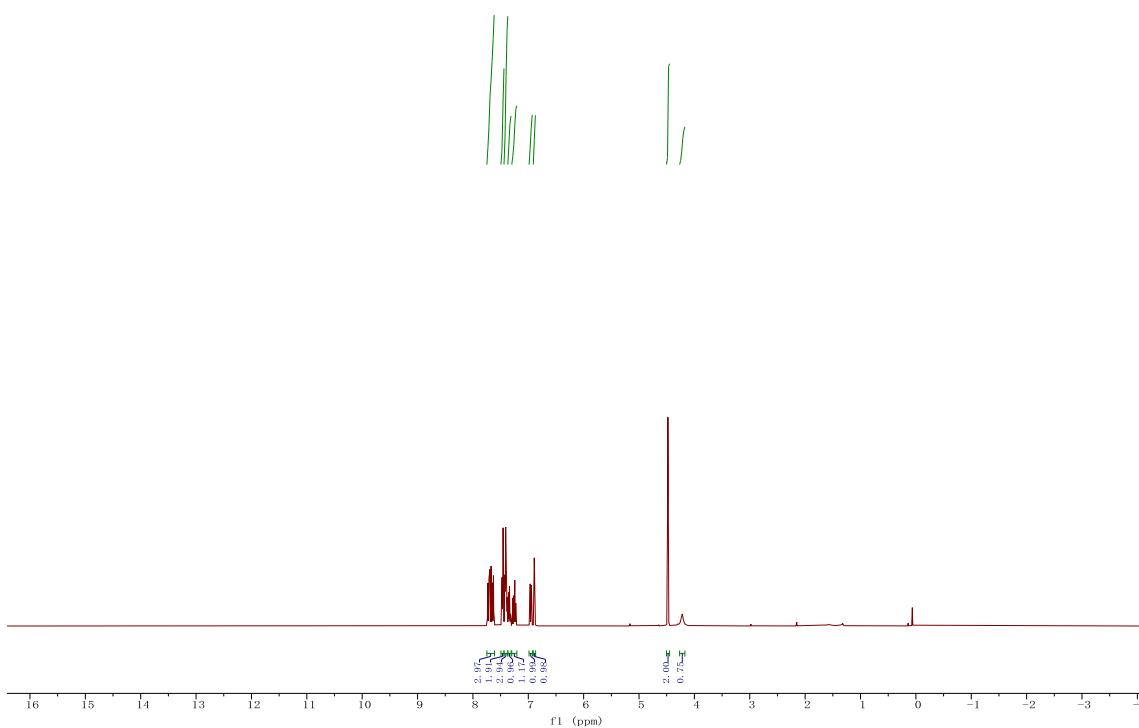


**Figure S6-13b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3am** in Chloroform-*d*.

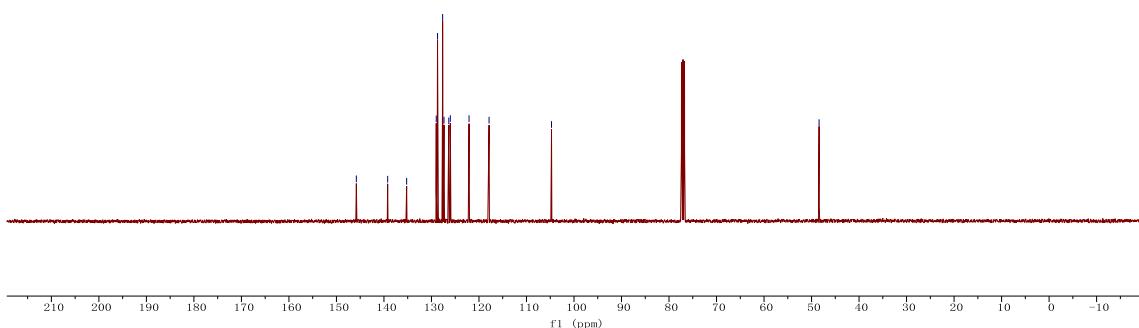
*N-benzylnaphthalen-2-amine (**3an**).<sup>6</sup>*



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 85 % isolated yield, 100 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.75 – 7.59 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.96 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.48 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.22 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.41, 104.73, 117.87, 122.09, 126.03, 126.35, 127.36, 127.65, 128.72, 128.99, 135.22, 139.22, 145.81 ppm.

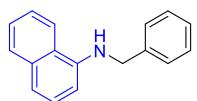


**Figure S6-14a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **3an** in Chloroform-*d*.

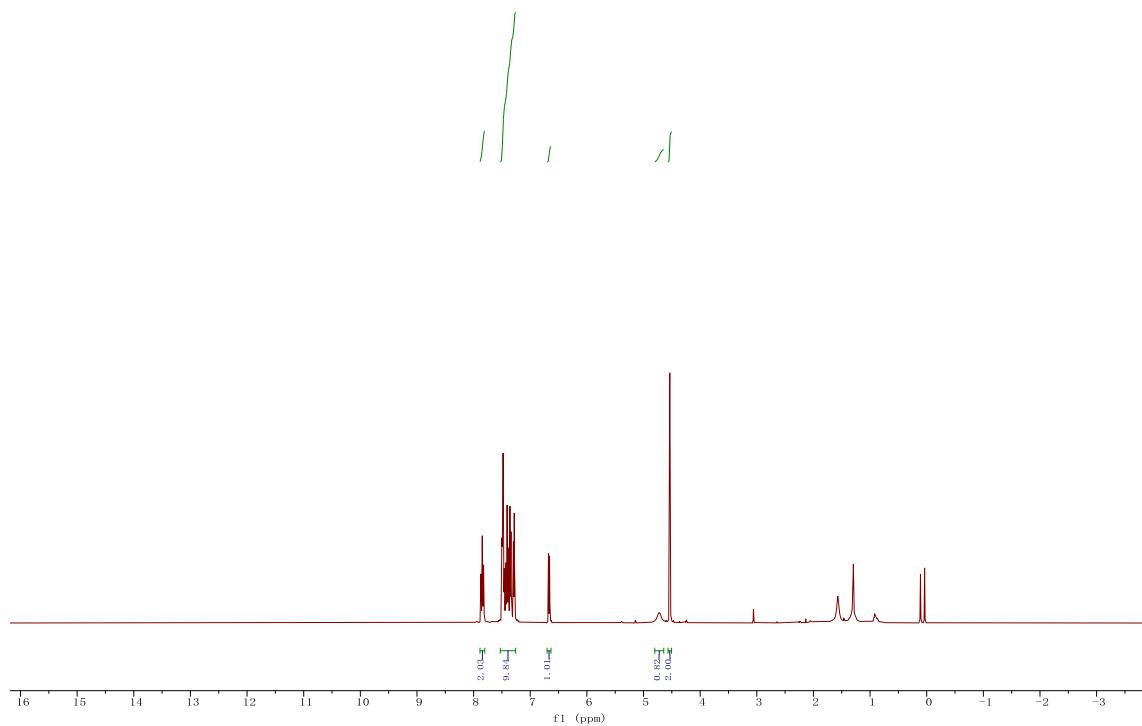


**Figure S6-14b.** The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **3an** in Chloroform-*d*.

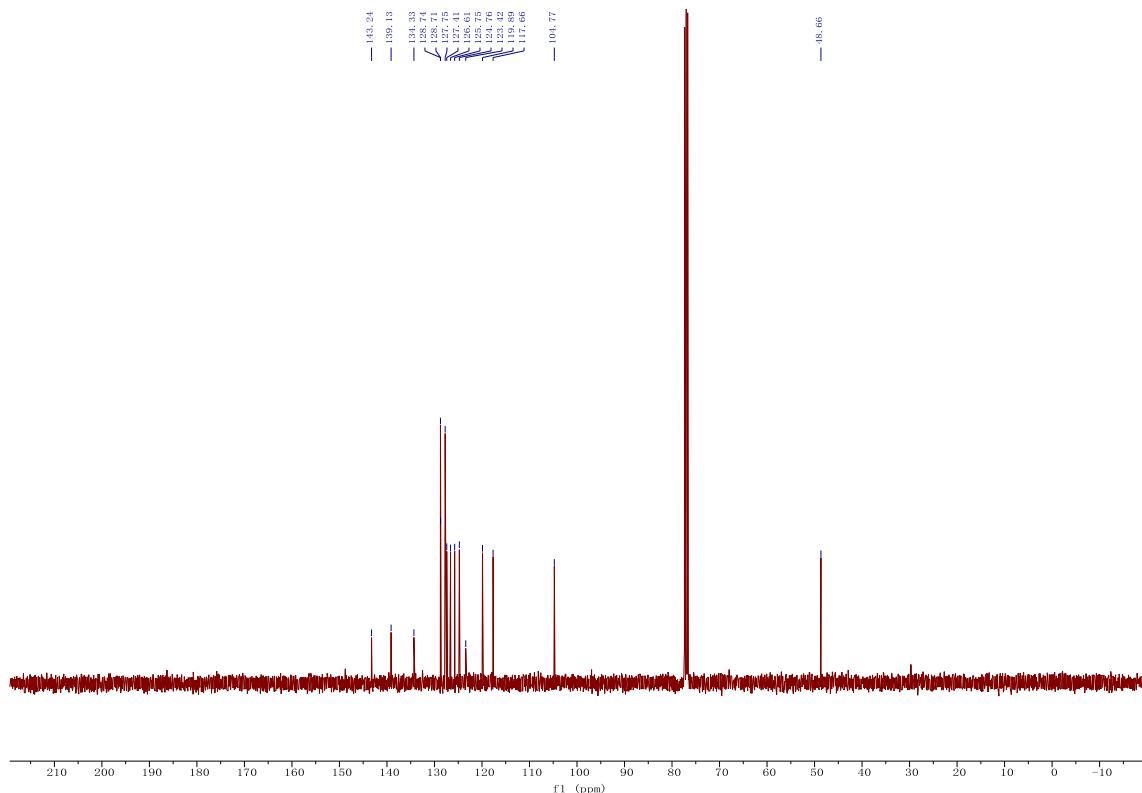
*N*-benzylnaphthalen-1-amine (**3ao**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 92 % isolated yield, 107 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.89 – 7.80 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 7.54 – 7.24 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 9H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.72 (s, -NH, 1H), 4.54 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.66, 104.77, 117.66, 119.89, 123.42, 124.76, 125.75, 126.61, 127.41, 127.75, 128.71, 128.74, 134.33, 139.13, 143.24 ppm.

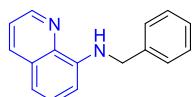


**Figure S6-15a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ao** in Chloroform-*d*.

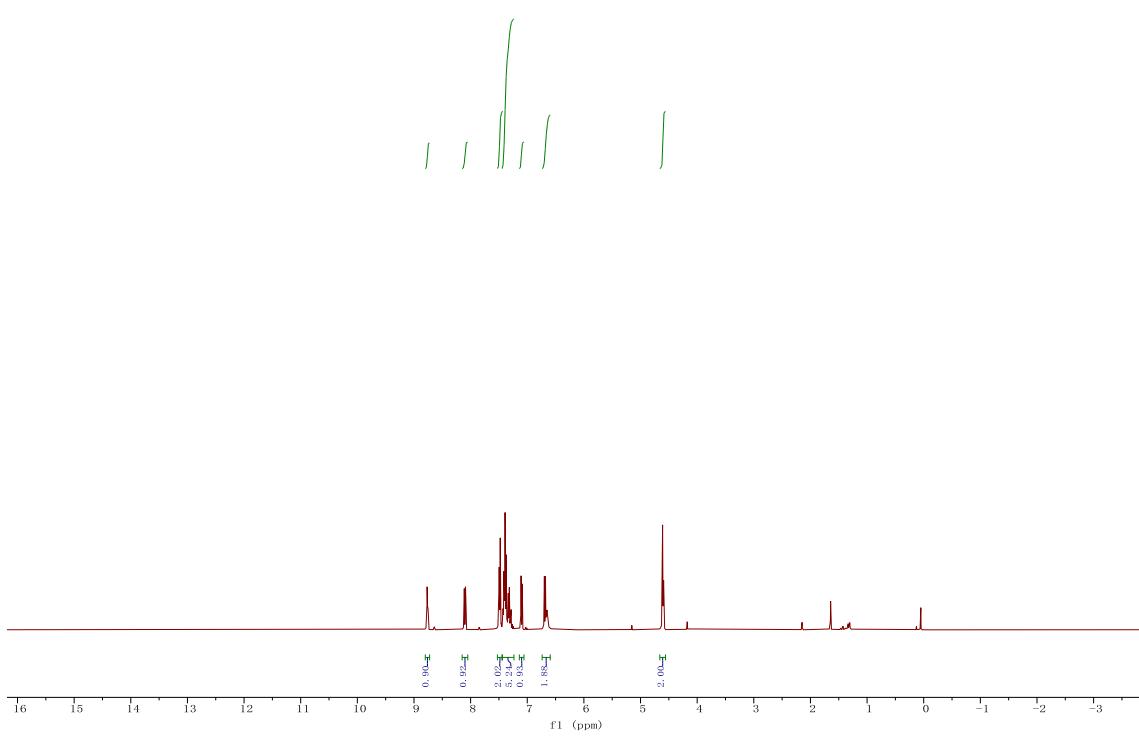


**Figure S6-15b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ao** in Chloroform-*d*.

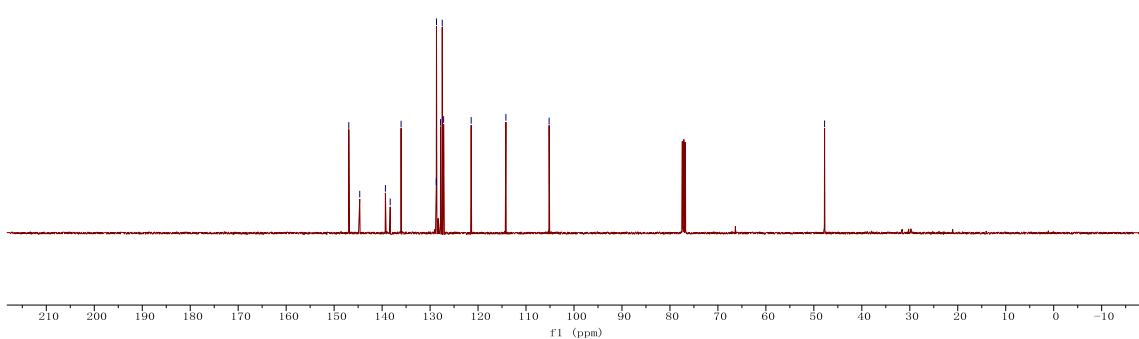
*N*-benzylquinolin-8-amine (**3ap**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (colorless oil, 81 % isolated yield, 95 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.76 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 8.10 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 7.44 – 7.23 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 5H), 7.10 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.67 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 147.77, 105.19, 114.19, 121.44, 127.18, 127.47, 127.82, 128.66, 128.71, 136.04, 138.31, 139.31, 144.67, 146.94 ppm.



**Figure S6-16a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ap** in Chloroform-*d*.

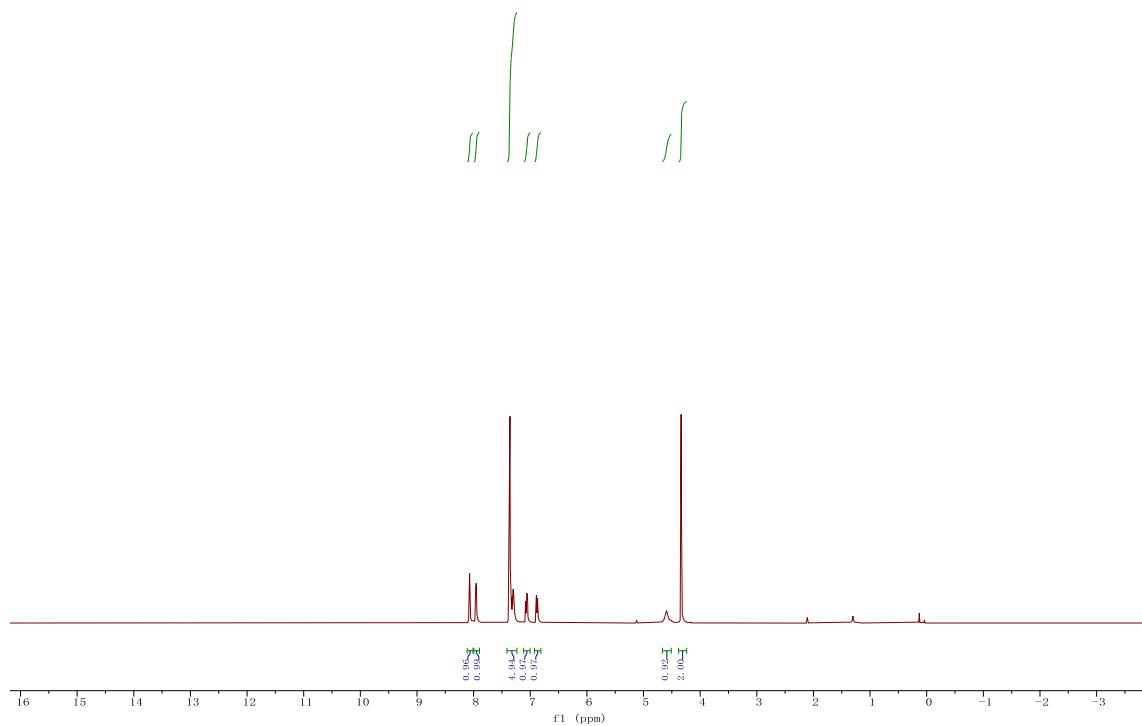


**Figure S6-16b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ap** in Chloroform-*d*.

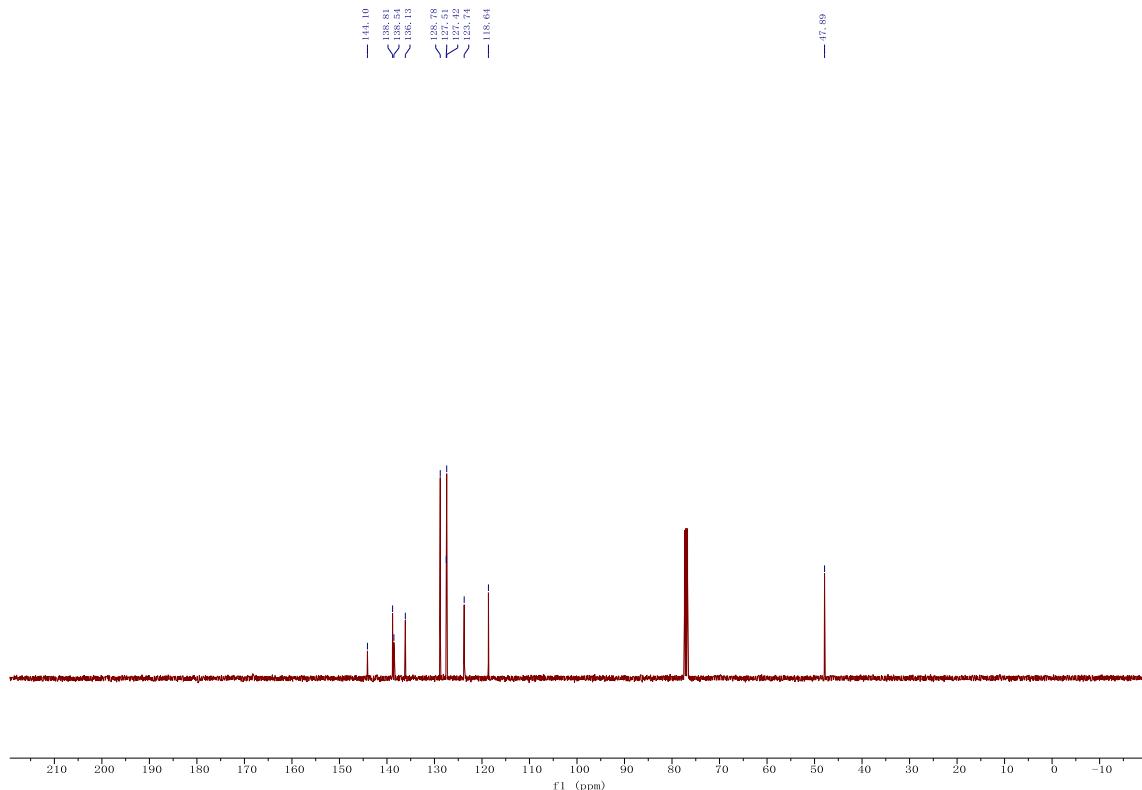
*N*-benzylpyridin-3-amine (**3aq**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (solid, 90 % isolated yield, 83 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.07 (d,  $J = 2.9$  Hz, =CH, 1H), 7.96 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.48 – 7.26 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 5H), 7.06 (m, =CH, 1H), 6.88 (m, =CH, 1H), 4.59 (s, -NH, 1H), 4.34 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 47.89, 118.64, 123.74, 127.42, 127.51, 128.78, 136.13, 138.54, 138.81, 144.10 ppm.

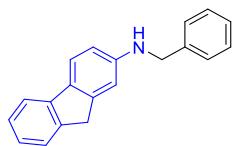


**Figure S6-17a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3aq** in Chloroform-*d*.

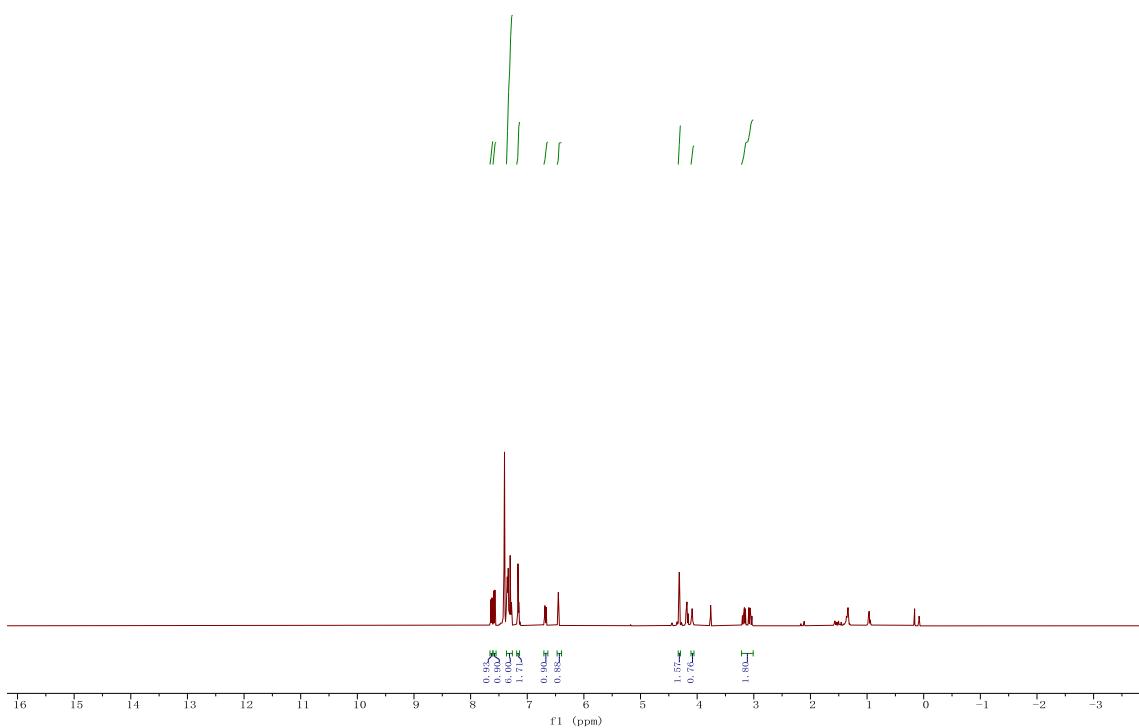


**Figure S6-17b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3aq** in Chloroform-*d*.

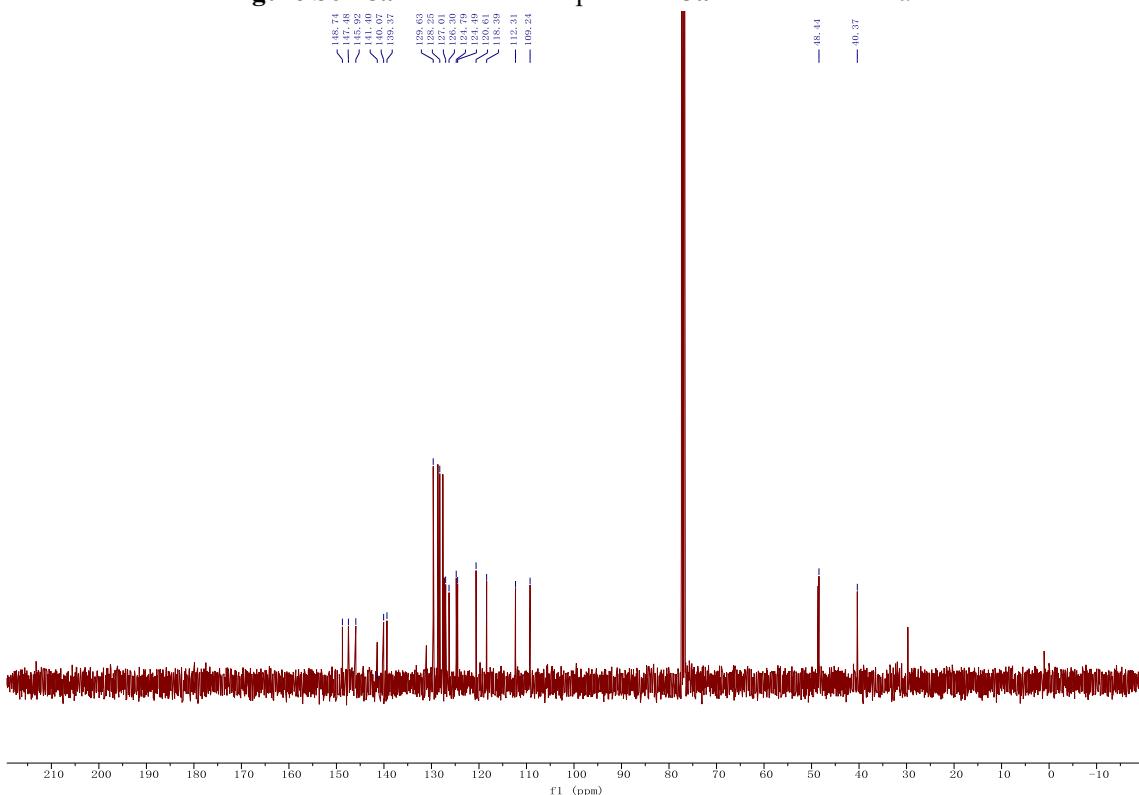
*N*-benzyl-9*H*-fluoren-2-amine (**3ar**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (colorless oil, 50 % isolated yield, 68 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.63 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.58 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.32 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 6H), 7.23 – 7.11 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.68 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.45 (d,  $J$  = 2.2 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.32 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.09 (s, -NH, 1H), 3.24 – 2.99 (m, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 40.37, 48.44, 109.24, 112.31, 118.39, 120.61, 124.49, 124.79, 126.30, 127.01, 128.25, 129.63, 139.37, 140.07, 141.40, 145.92, 147.48, 148.74 ppm.

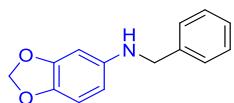


**Figure S6-18a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ar** in Chloroform-*d*.

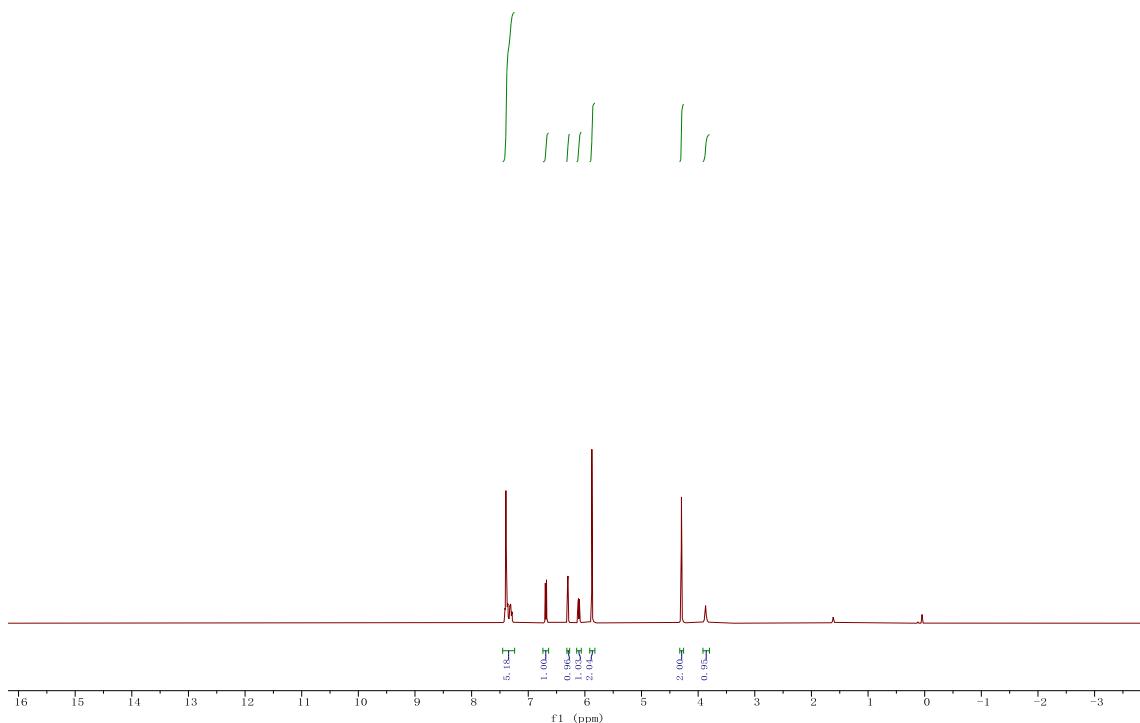


**Figure S6-18b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ar** in Chloroform-*d*.

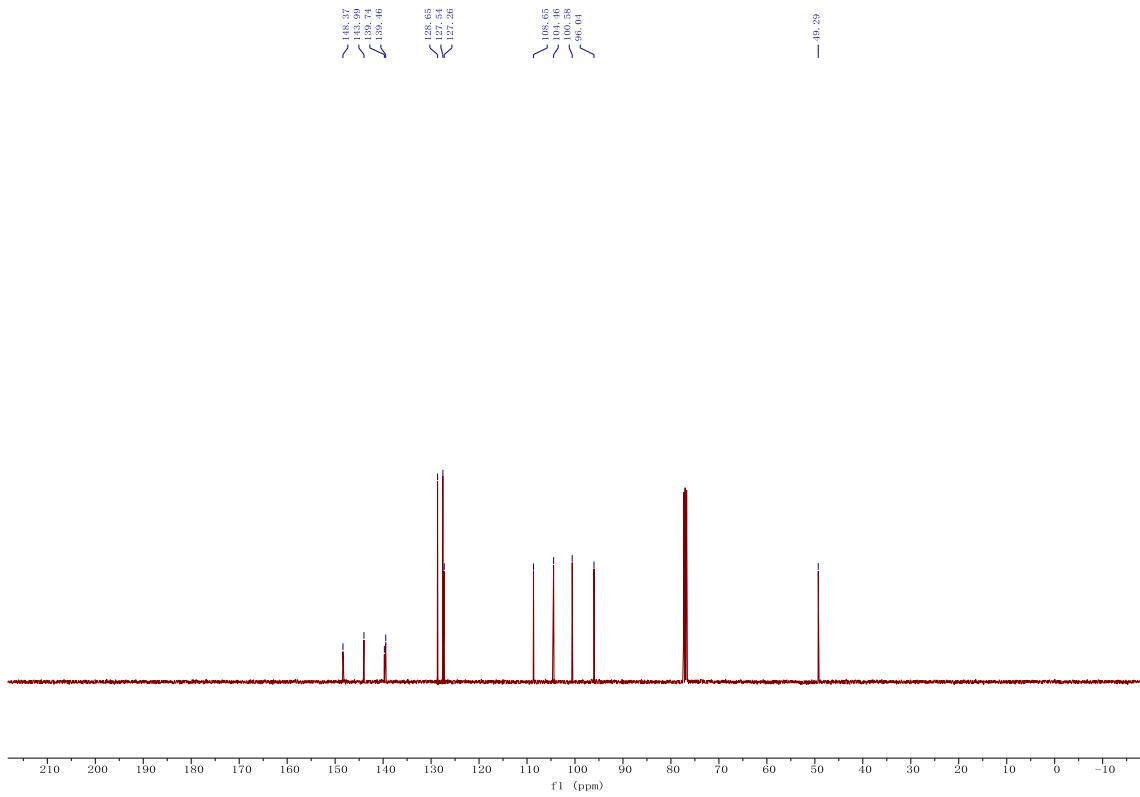
*N*-benzylbenzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-amine (**3as**).<sup>11</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 60 % isolated yield, 68 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.39 (s, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 5H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.11 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 5.88 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.29 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 3.87 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 49.29, 96.04, 100.58, 104.46, 108.65, 127.26, 127.54, 128.65, 139.46, 139.74, 143.99, 148.37 ppm.

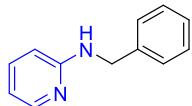


**Figure S6-19a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3as** in Chloroform-*d*.

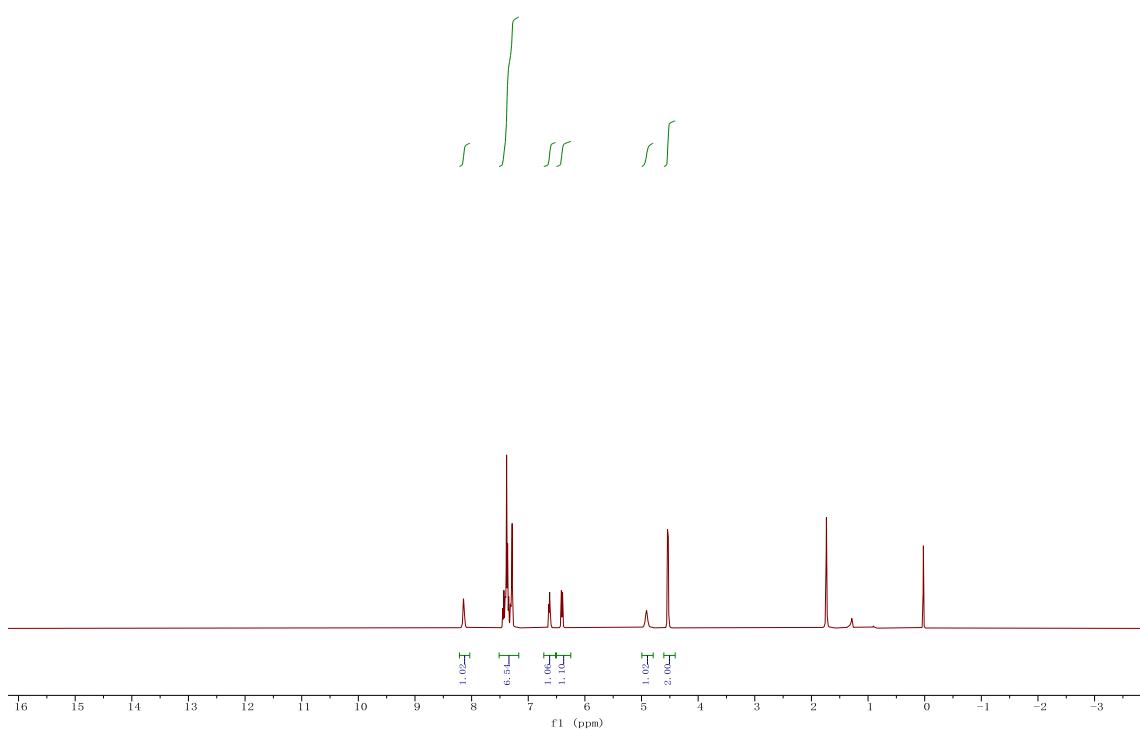


**Figure S6-19b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3as** in Chloroform-*d*.

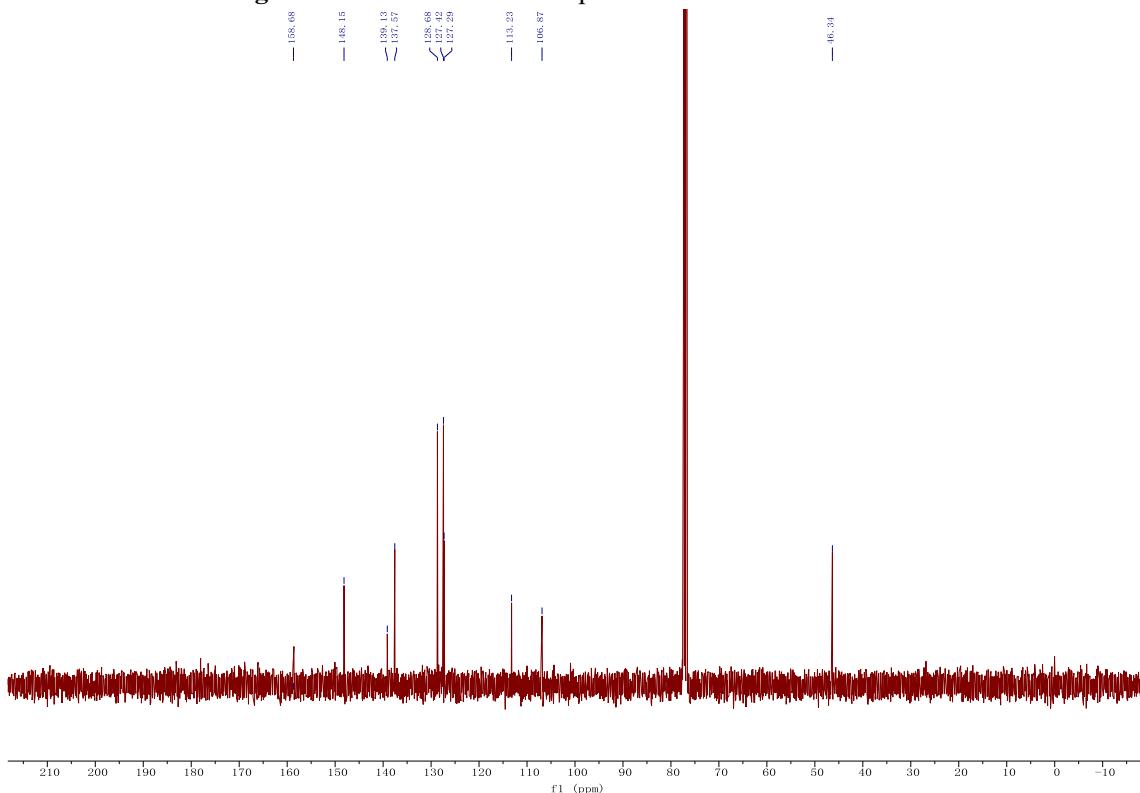
*N*-benzylpyridin-2-amine (**3at**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (solid, 79% isolated yield, 73 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.17 – 8.12 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.47 – 7.27 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 6H), 6.62 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 4.91 (s, -NH, 1H), 4.53 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 143.89, 107.78, 114.50, 127.29, 127.42, 128.68, 137.57, 140.44, 147.67, 160.23 ppm.

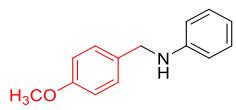


**Figure S6-20a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3at** in Chloroform-*d*.

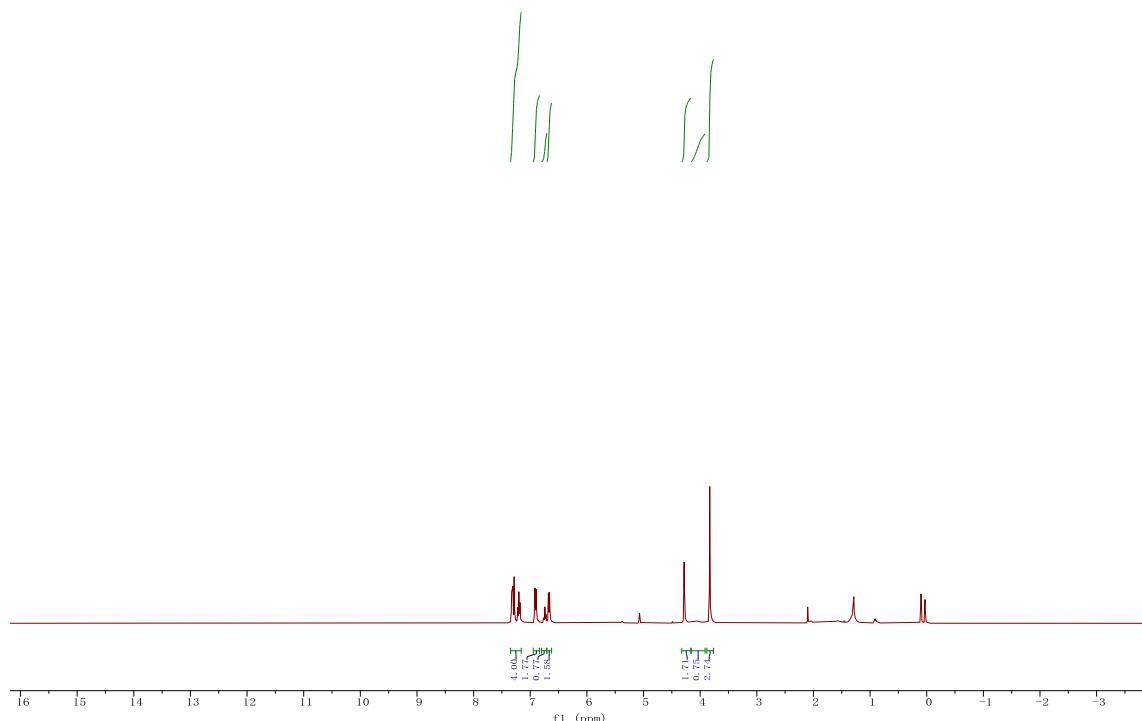


**Figure S6-20b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3at** in Chloroform-*d*.

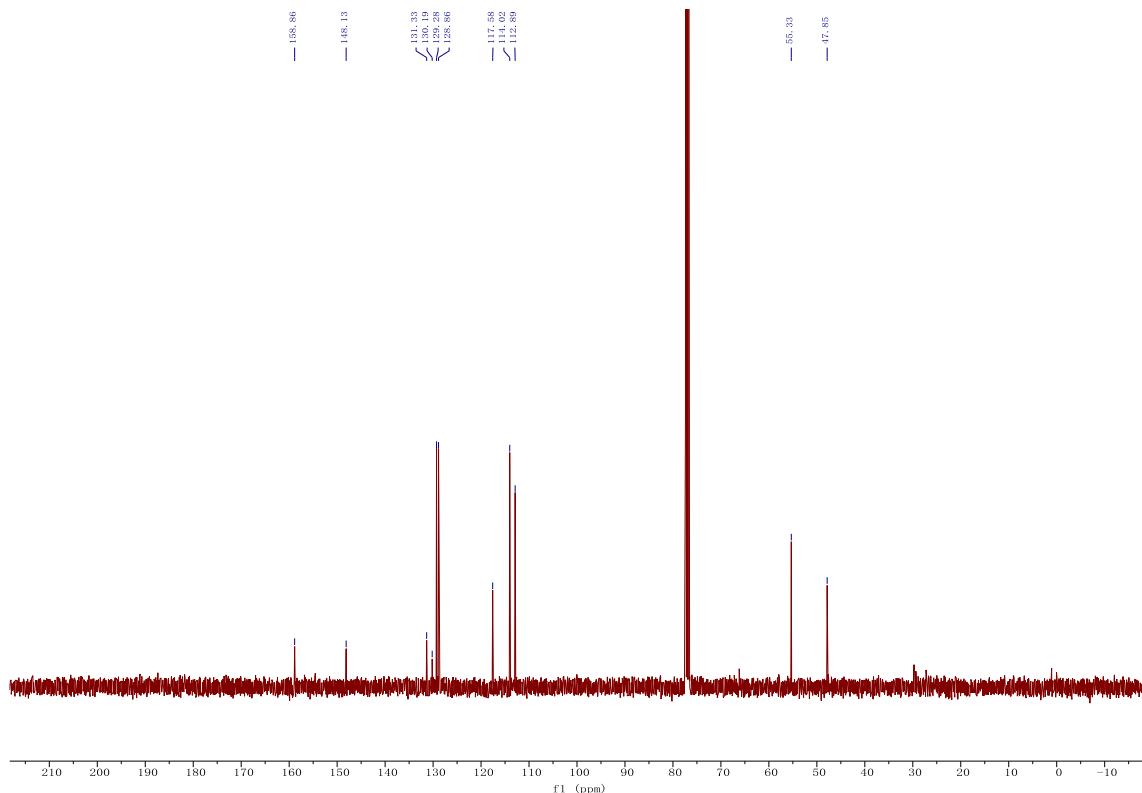
*N-(4-methoxybenzyl)aniline (**3ba**).<sup>6</sup>*



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 97% isolated yield, 103 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.43 – 7.09 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.28 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.11 (s, -NH, 1H), 3.83 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 47.85, 54.33, 112.89, 114.60, 117.19, 128.86, 129.28, 131.33, 146.30, 160.84 ppm.

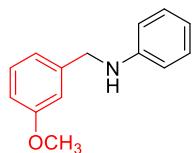


**Figure S6-21a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ba** in Chloroform-*d*.

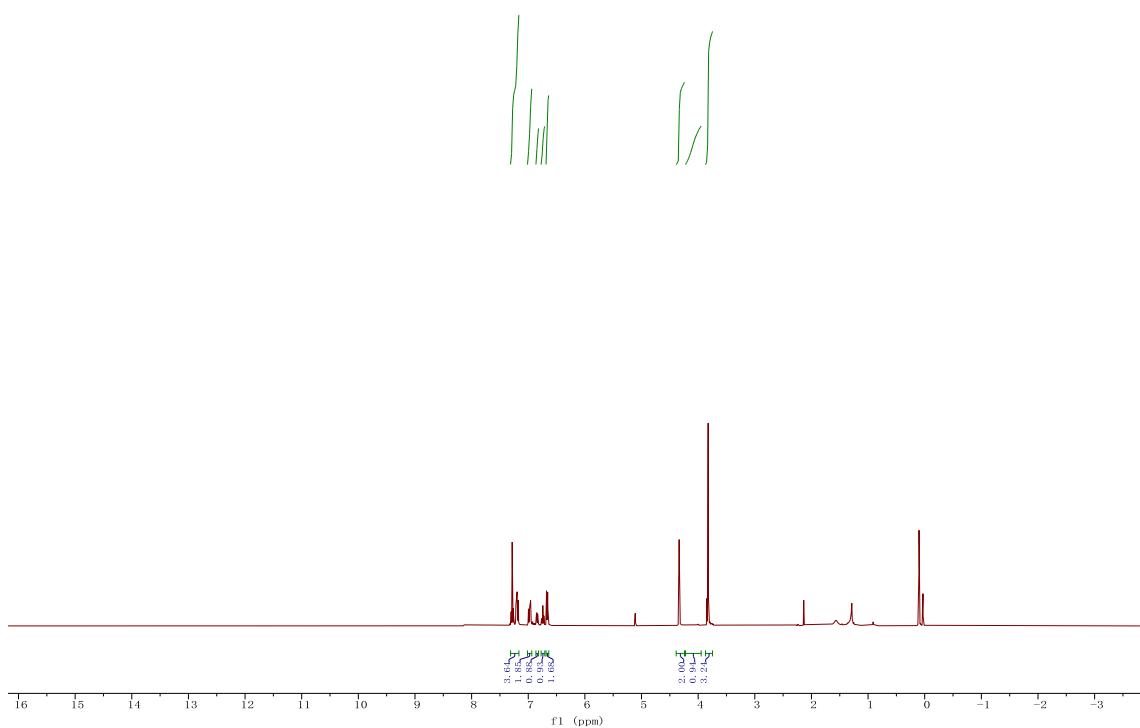


**Figure S6-21b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ba** in Chloroform-*d*.

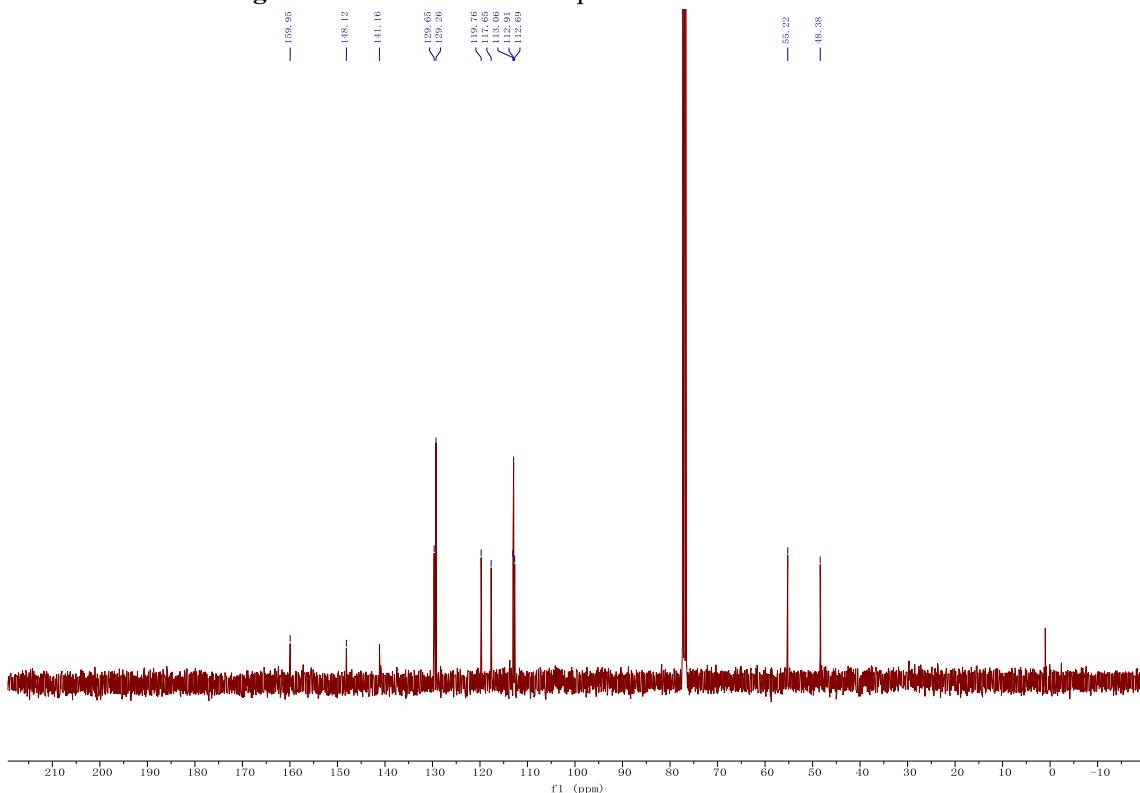
*N*-(3-methoxybenzyl)aniline (**3ca**).<sup>12</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 86% isolated yield, 92 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.30 – 7.15 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 7.03 – 6.94 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.84 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.74 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.70 – 6.63 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.34 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.09 (s, -NH, 1H), 3.83 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.38, 55.22, 112.69, 112.91, 113.06, 117.65, 119.76, 129.26, 129.65, 141.16, 148.12, 159.95 ppm.



**Figure S6-22a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ca** in Chloroform-*d*.

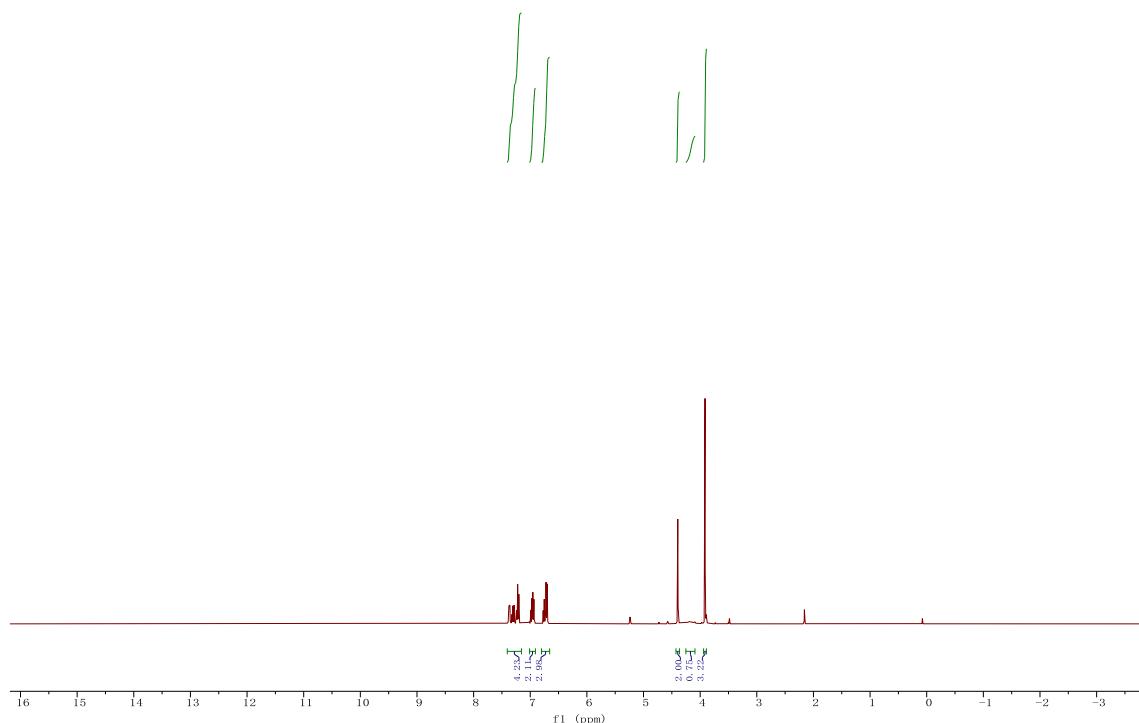


**Figure S6-22b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ca** in Chloroform-*d*.

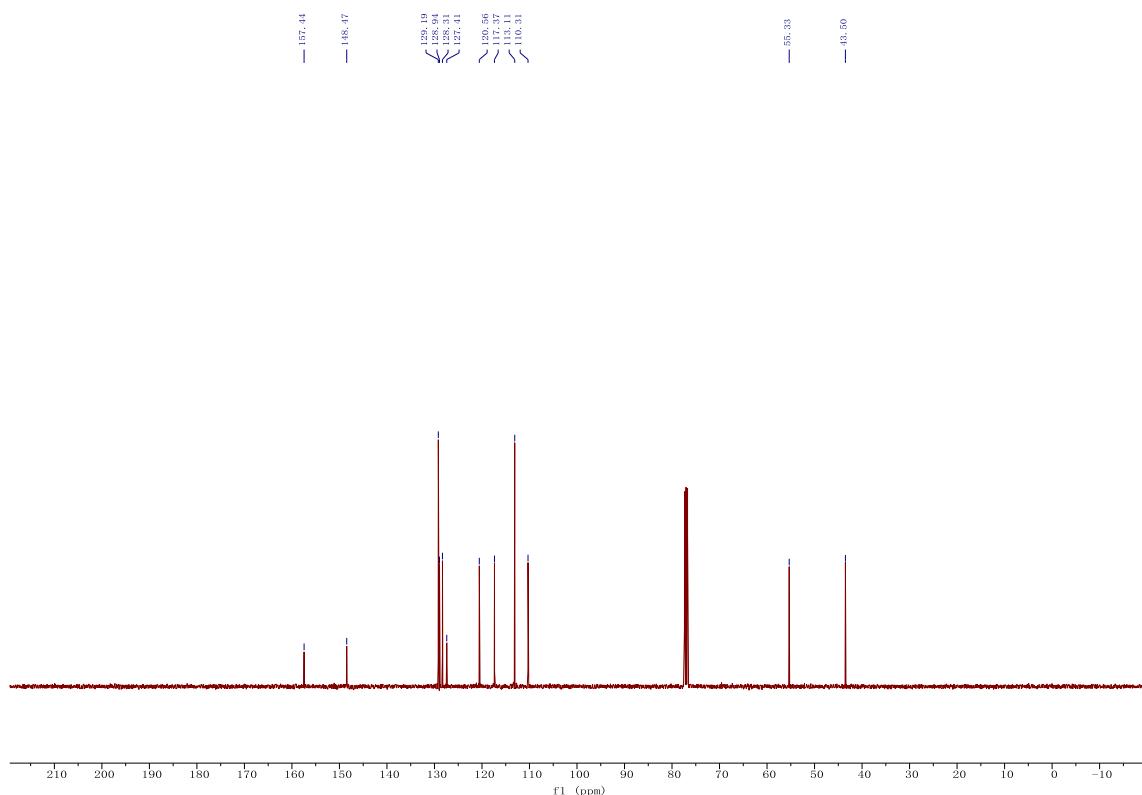
*N*-(2-methoxybenzyl)aniline (**3da**).<sup>13</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 86% isolated yield, 92 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.45 – 7.17 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.01 – 6.91 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.79 – 6.68 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.40 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.16 (s, -NH, 1H), 3.91 (s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 43.50, 55.33, 110.31, 113.11, 117.37, 120.56, 127.41, 128.31, 128.94, 129.19, 148.47, 157.44 ppm.

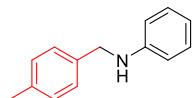


**Figure S6-23a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3da** in Chloroform-*d*.

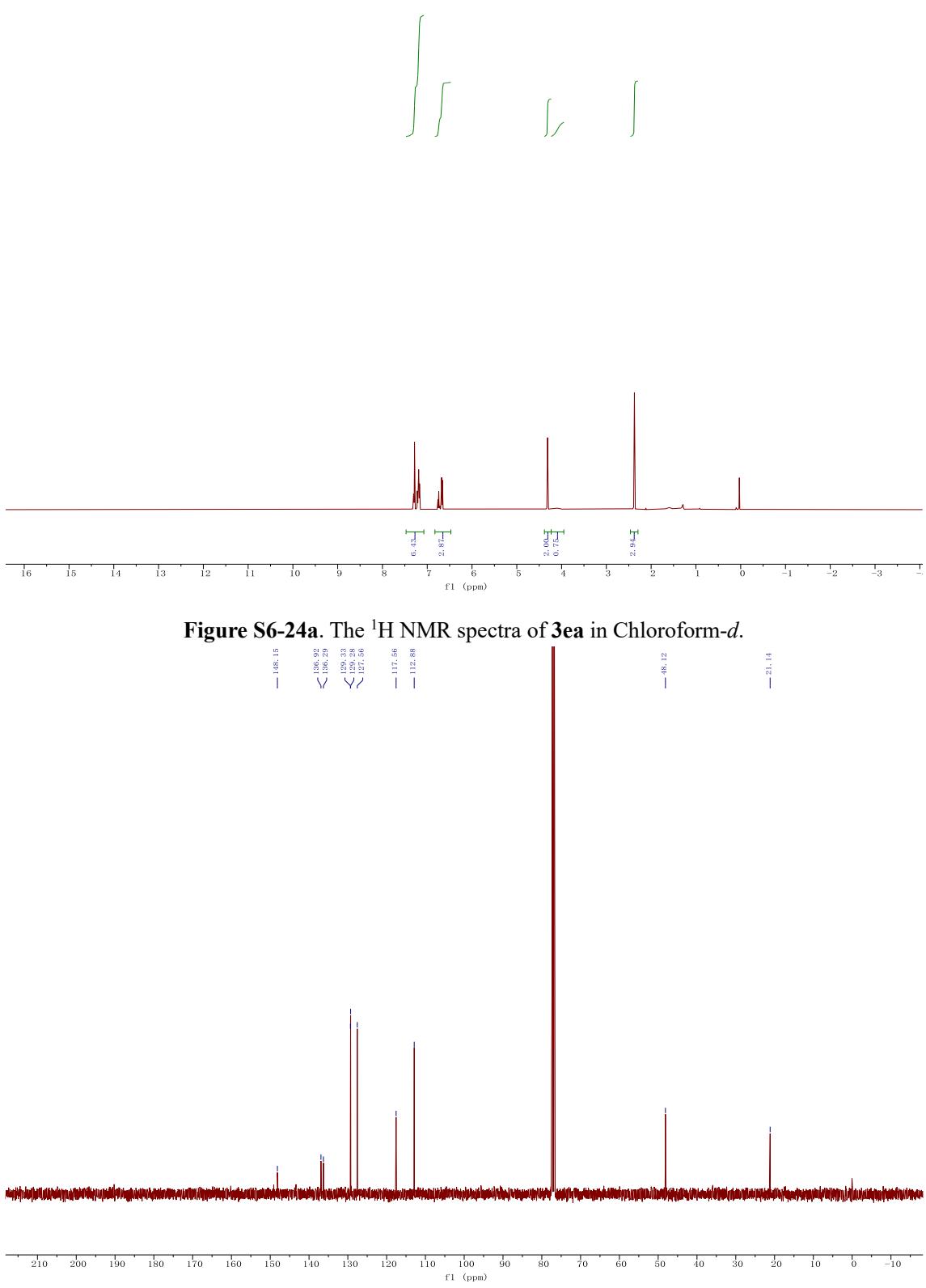


**Figure S6-23b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3da** in Chloroform-*d*.

*N*-(4-methylbenzyl)aniline (**3ea**).<sup>6</sup>



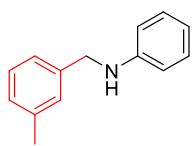
The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 89% isolated yield, 88 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.45 – 7.04 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 6H), 6.85 – 6.55 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.31 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.12 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.37 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 21.14, 48.12, 112.88, 117.56, 127.56, 129.28, 129.33, 136.29, 136.92, 148.15 ppm.



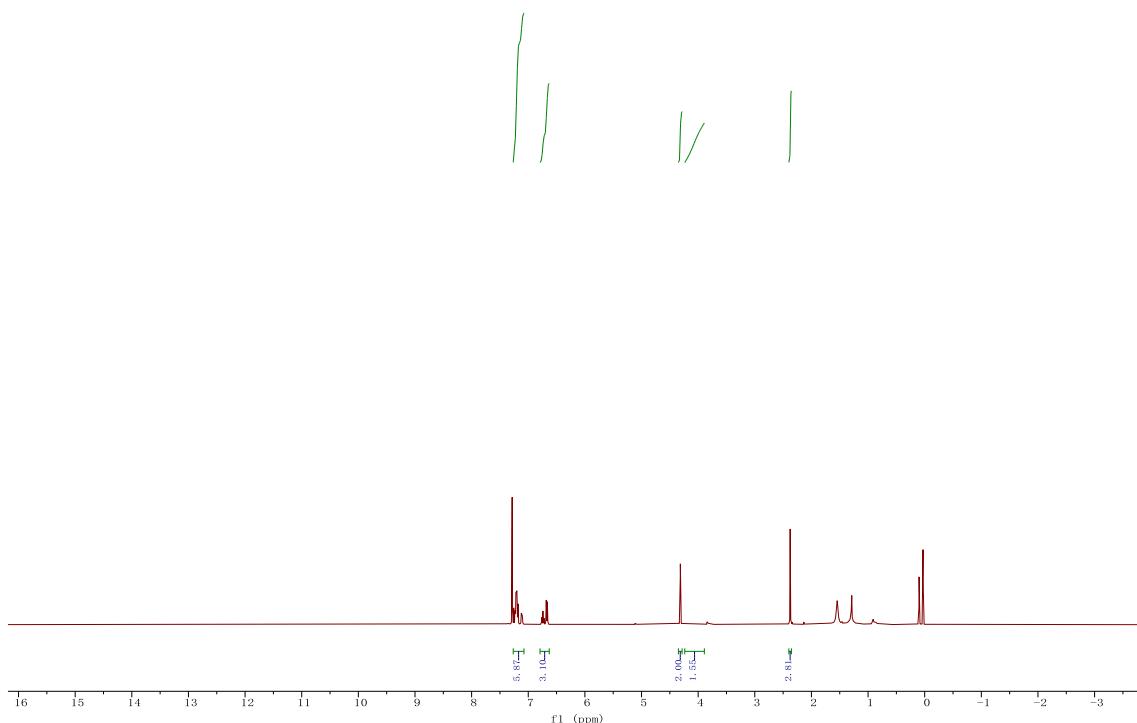
**Figure S6-24a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ea** in Chloroform-*d*.

**Figure S6-24b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ea** in Chloroform-*d*.

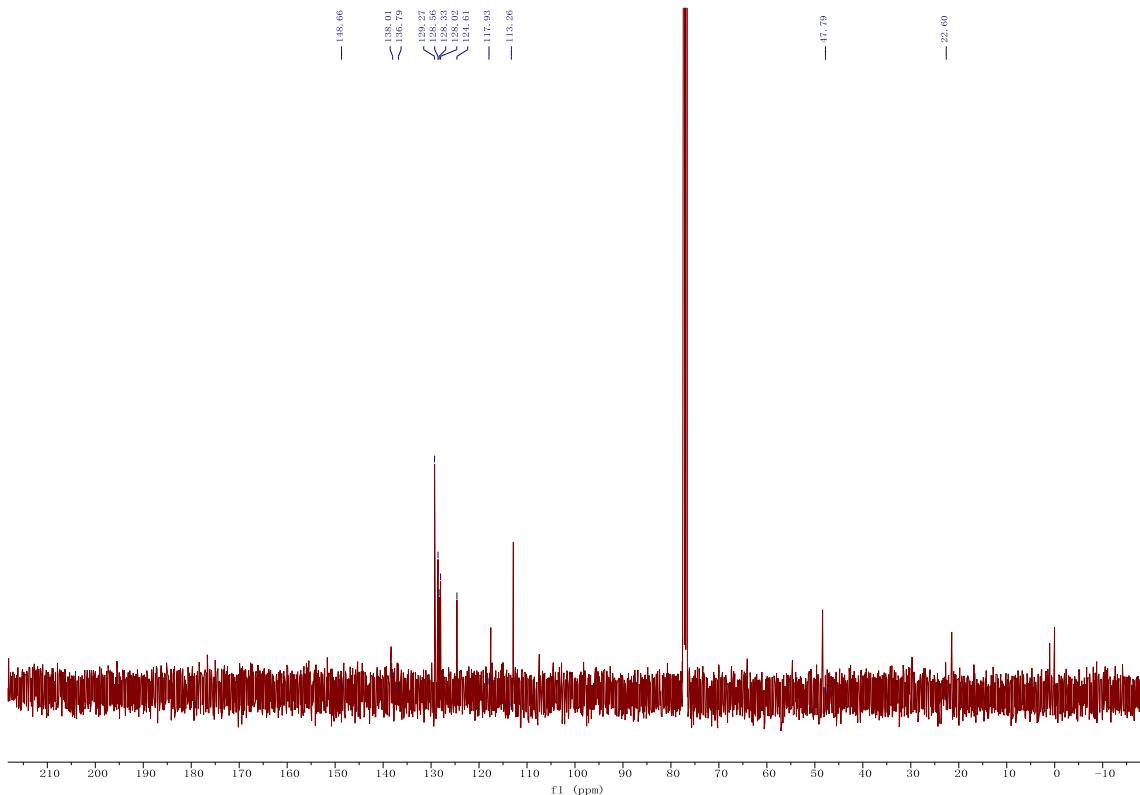
*N-(3-methylbenzyl)aniline (**3fa**).<sup>6</sup>*



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 82% isolated yield, 81 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.27 – 7.04 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 6H), 6.78 – 6.64 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.31 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.11 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.38 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 22.60, 47.79, 113.26, 117.93, 124.61, 128.02, 128.33, 128.56, 129.27, 136.79, 138.01, 148.66 ppm.

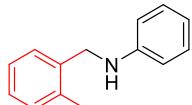


**Figure S6-25a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3fa** in Chloroform-*d*.

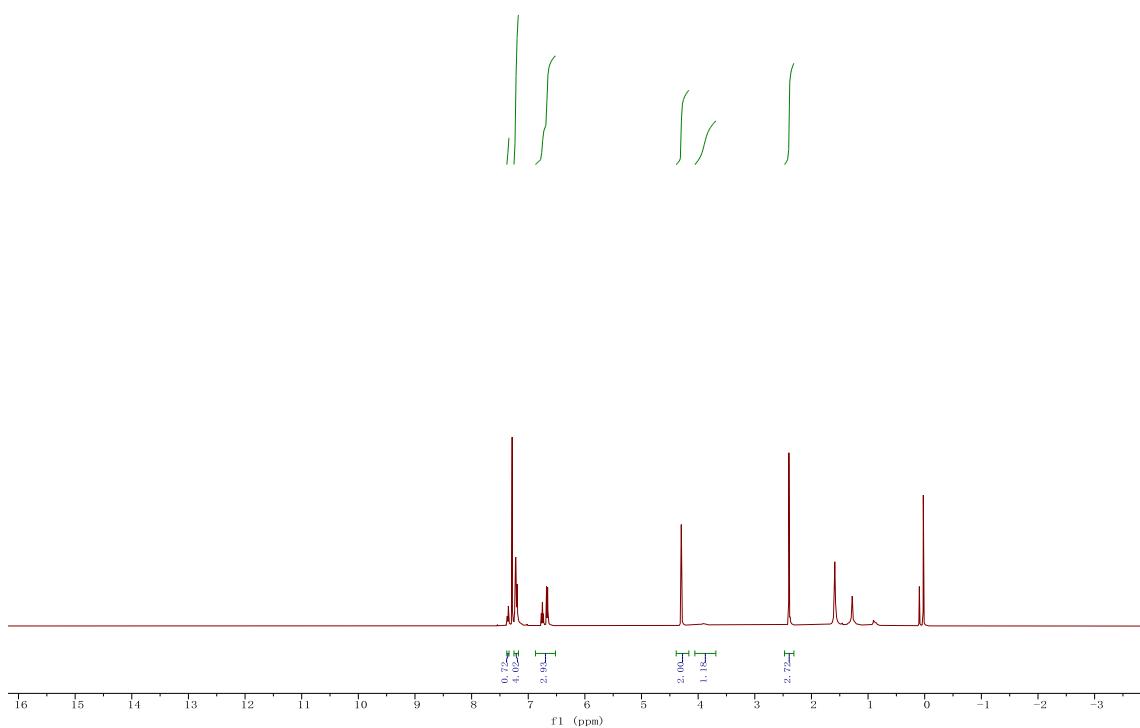


**Figure S6-25b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3fa** in Chloroform-*d*.

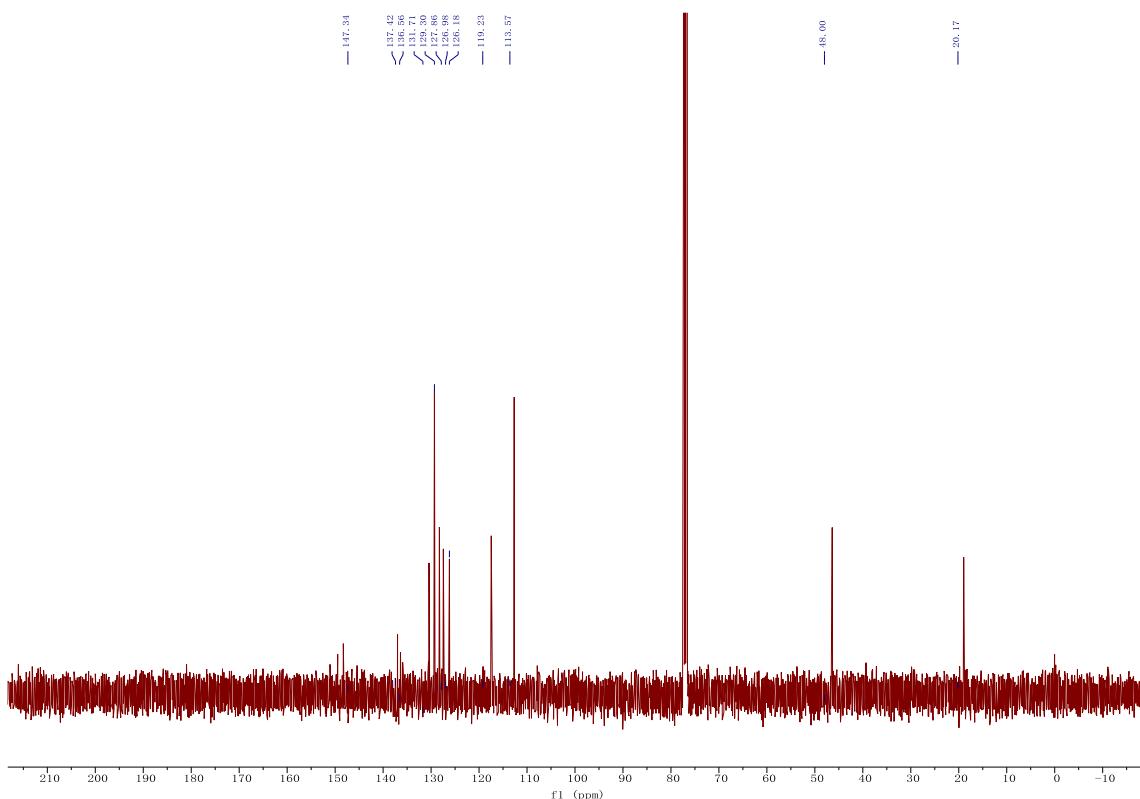
*N*-(2-methylbenzyl)aniline (**3ga**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 89 % isolated yield, 88 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.38 – 7.33 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.25 – 7.17 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 5H), 6.79 – 6.61 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.30 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 3.89 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.40 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 20.17, 48.00, 113.57, 119.23, 126.18, 126.98, 127.86, 129.30, 131.71, 136.56, 137.42, 147.34 ppm.

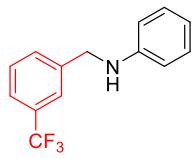


**Figure S6-26a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ga** in Chloroform-*d*.

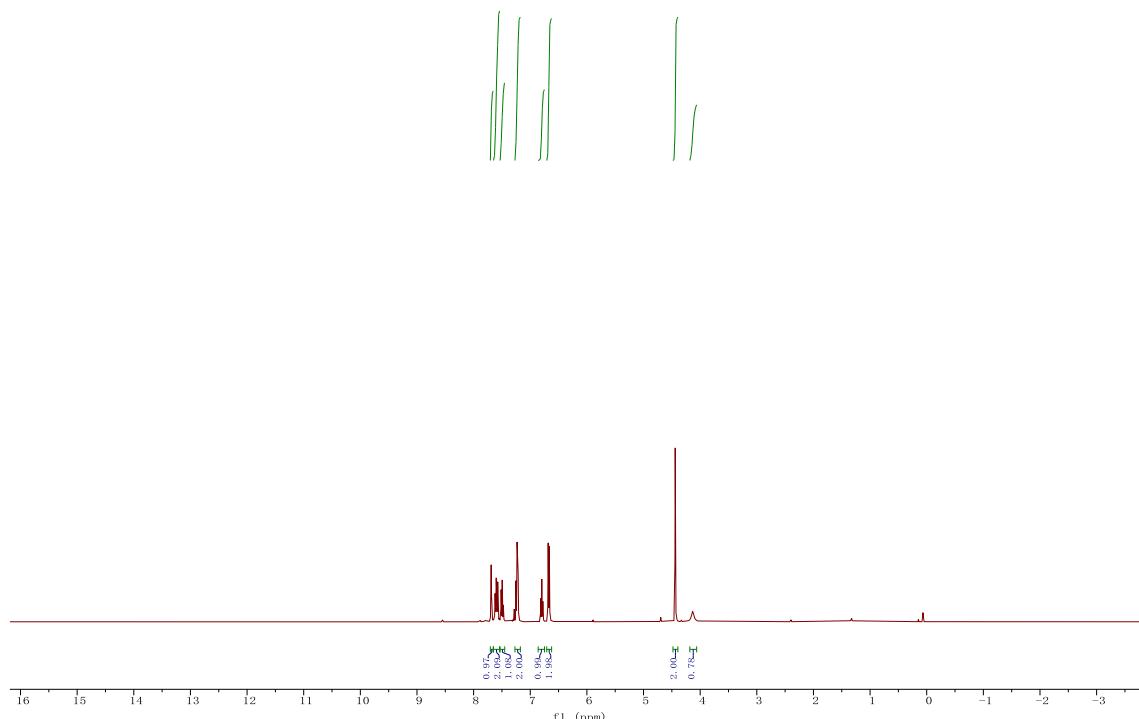


**Figure S6-26b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ga** in Chloroform-*d*.

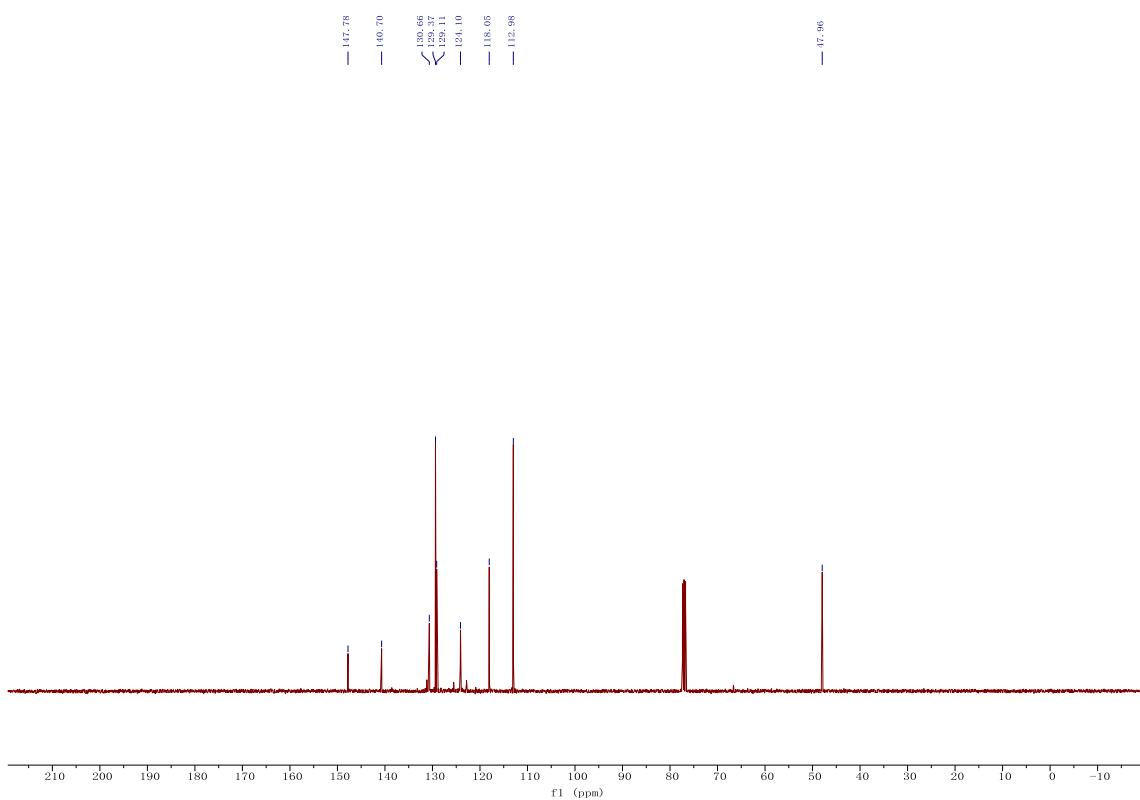
*N*-(3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)aniline (**3ha**).<sup>8</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 80 % isolated yield, 101 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.69 (s, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.66 – 7.59 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 7.59 – 7.43 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.31 – 7.19 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.80 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.44 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.13 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 47.96, 112.98, 118.05, 124.10, 129.11, 129.37, 130.66, 140.70, 147.78 ppm.

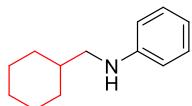


**Figure S6-27a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **3ha** in Chloroform-*d*.

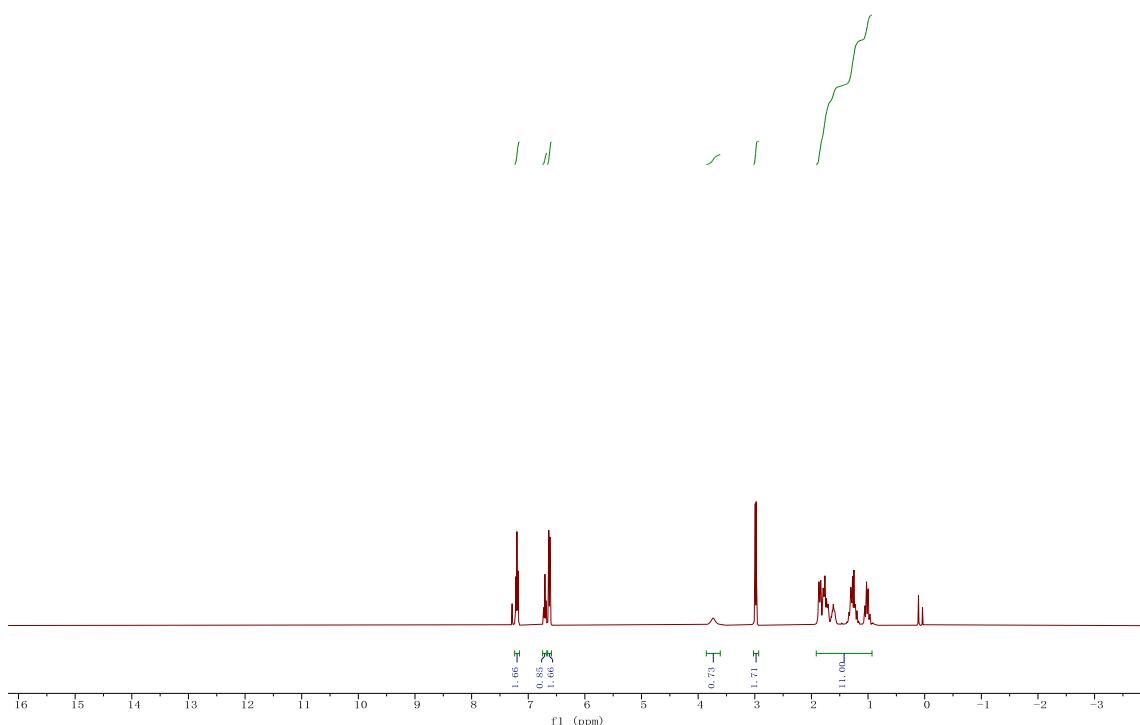


**Figure S6-27b.** The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **3ha** in Chloroform-*d*.

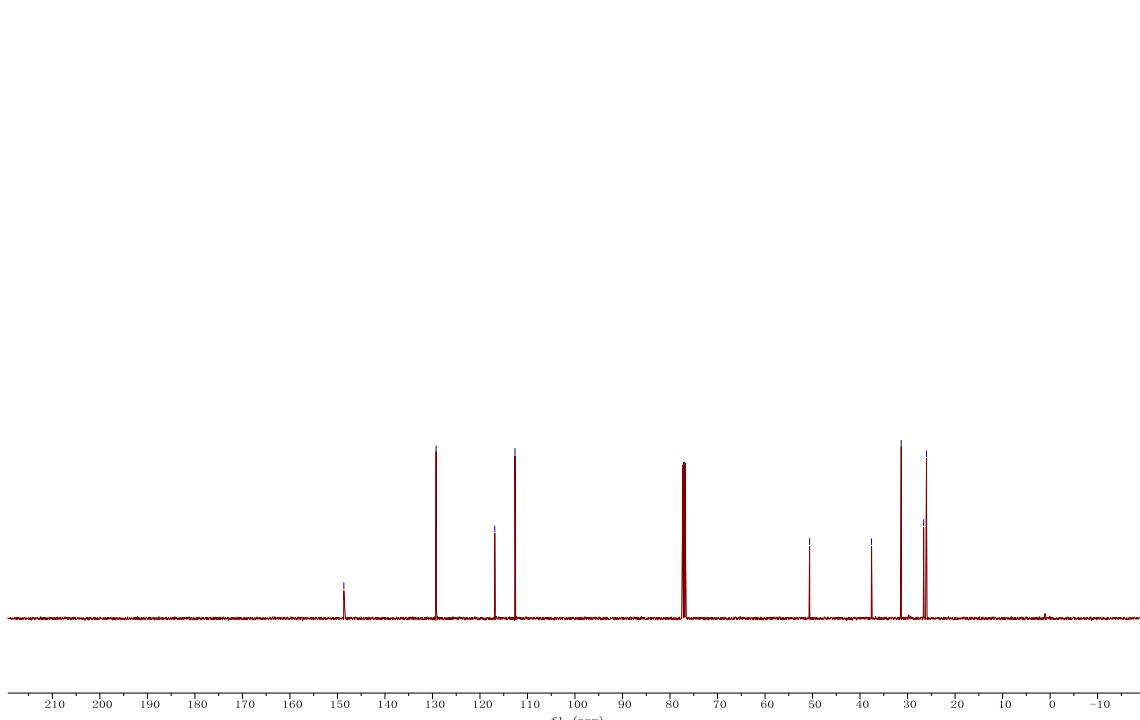
*N*-(cyclohexylmethyl)aniline (**3ia**).<sup>13</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 65 % isolated yield, 61 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.71 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 3.73 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.98 (d, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 2.07 – 0.80 (m, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 11H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 26.01, 26.61, 31.34, 37.58, 50.62, 112.63, 116.89, 129.24, 148.66 ppm.

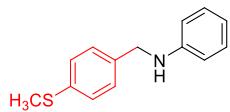


**Figure S6-28a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ia** in Chloroform-*d*.

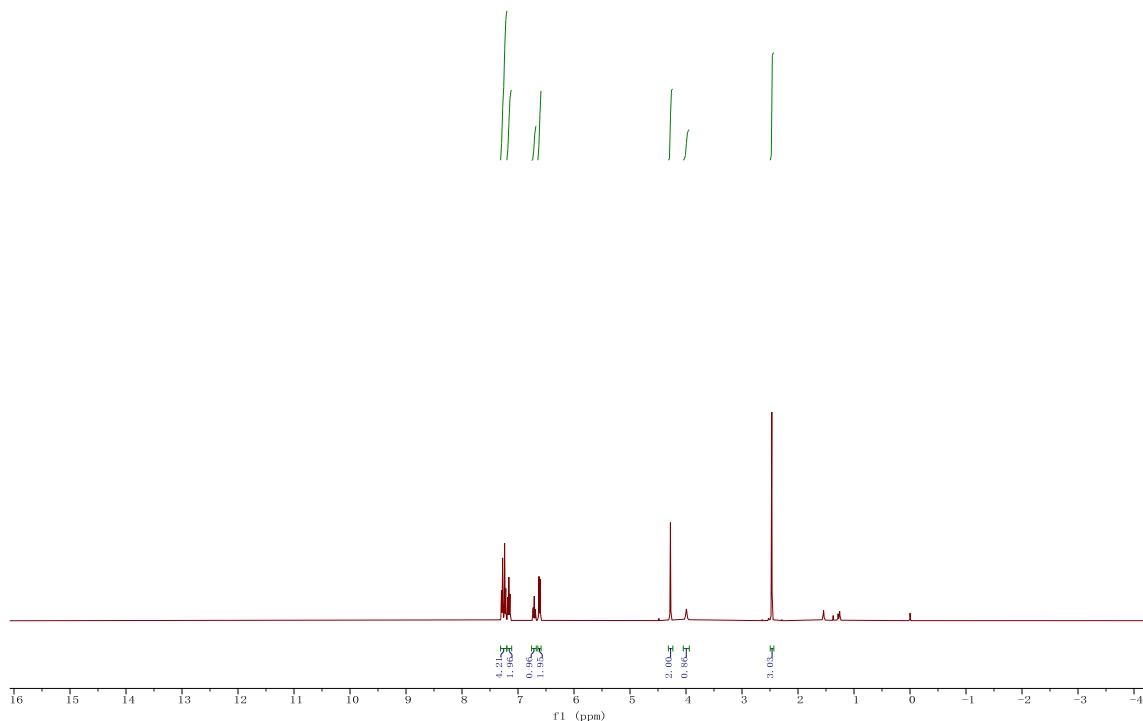


**Figure S6-28b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ia** in Chloroform-*d*.

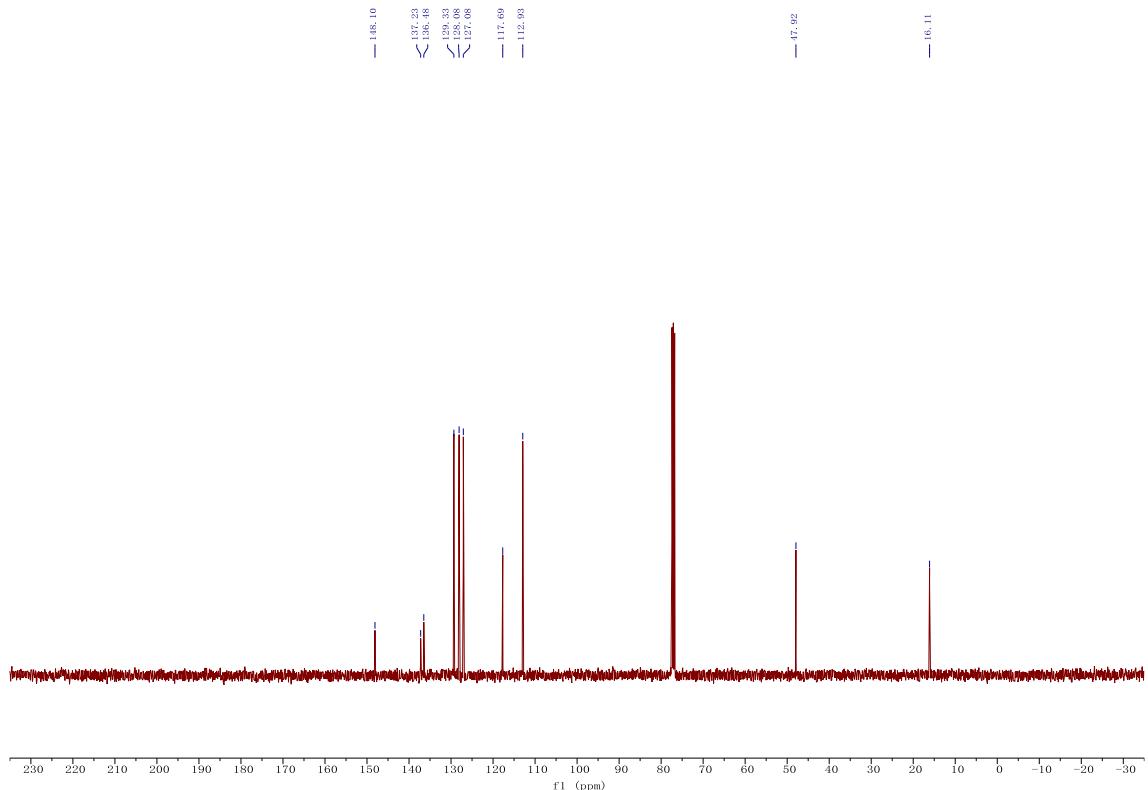
*N*-(4-(methylthio)benzyl)aniline (**3ja**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 94 % isolated yield, 108 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  7.32 – 7.22 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.20 – 7.12 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.71 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.65 – 6.58 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.28 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 3.99 (s, -NH, 1H), 2.47 (s, -SCH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  16.11, 47.92, 112.93, 117.69, 127.08, 128.08, 129.33, 136.48, 137.23, 148.10 ppm.

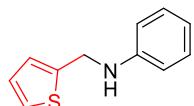


**Figure S6-29a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ja** in Chloroform-d.

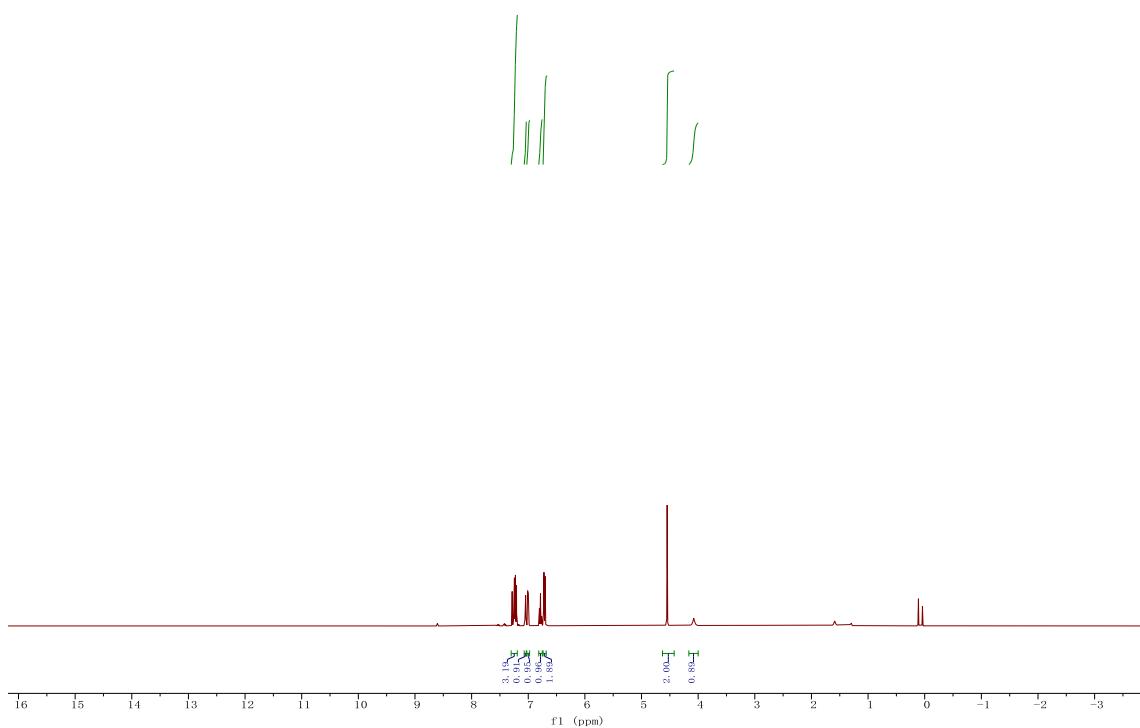


**Figure S6-29b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ja** in Chloroform-*d*.

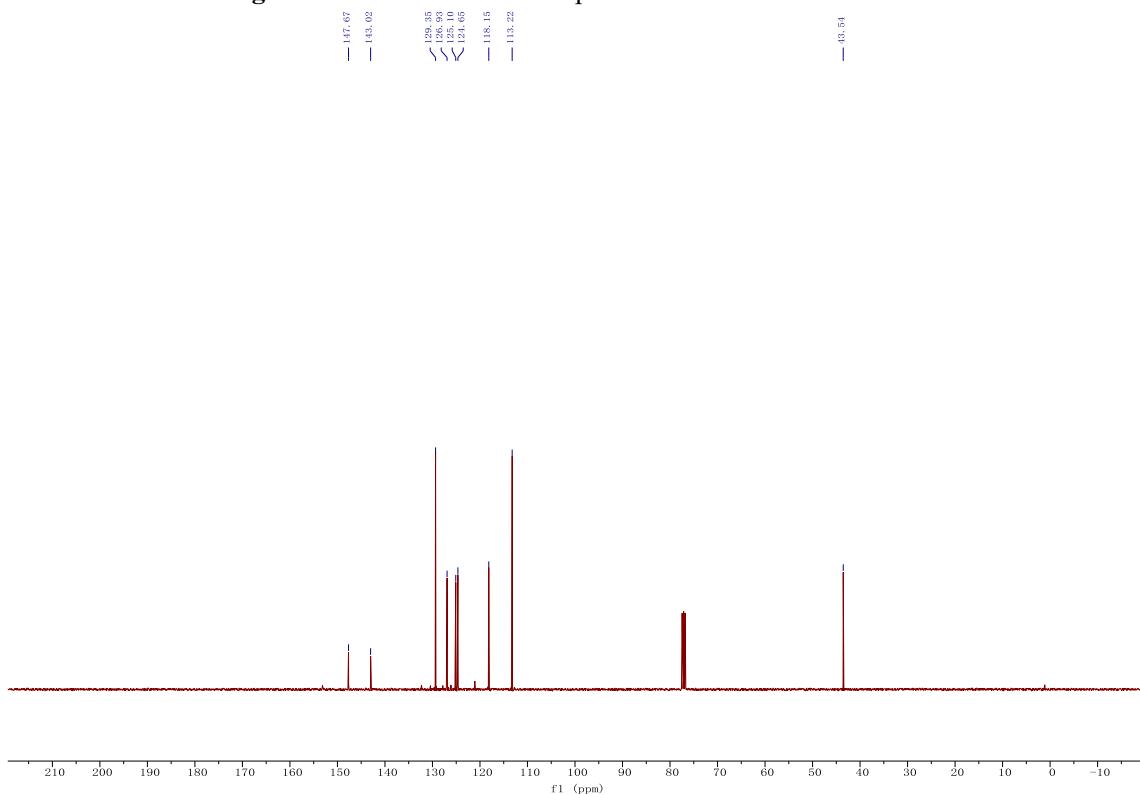
*N*-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)aniline (**3ka**).<sup>8</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 82 % isolated yield, 77 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.16 (m, =CH, 3H), 7.08 – 6.97 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.78 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.74 – 6.66 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.55 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.10 (m, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 43.54, 113.22, 118.15, 124.65, 125.10, 126.93, 129.35, 143.02, 147.67 ppm.

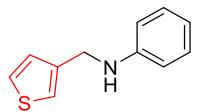


**Figure S6-30a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **3ka** in Chloroform-*d*.

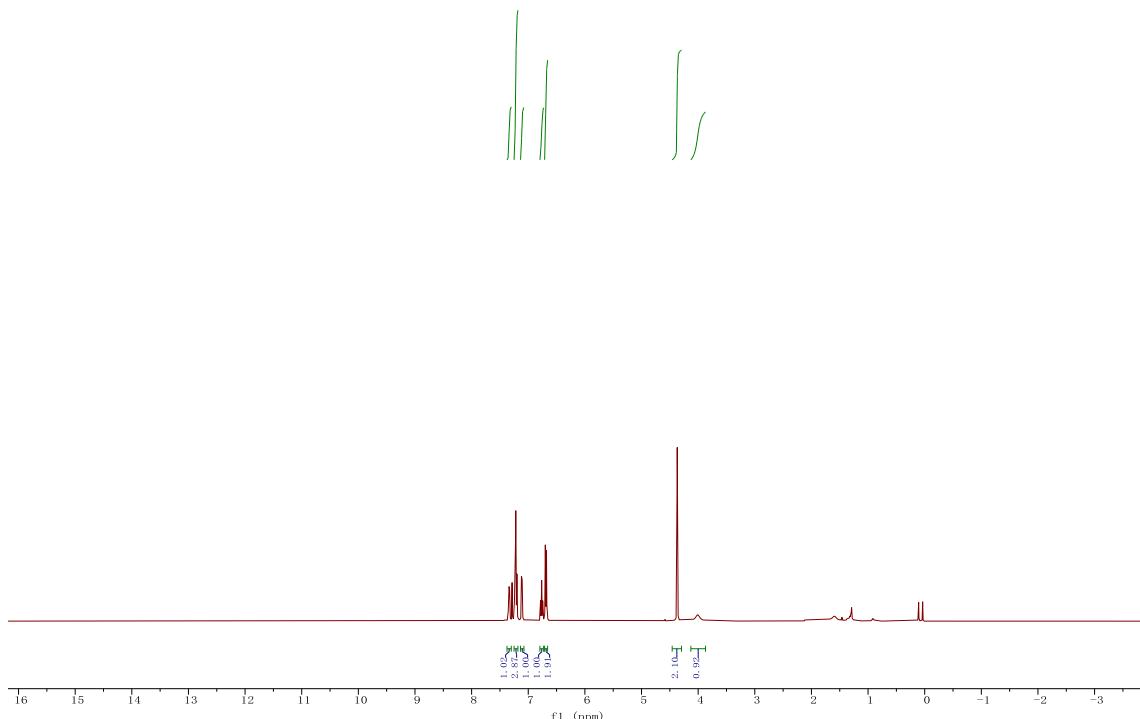


**Figure S6-30b.** The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **3ka** in Chloroform-*d*.

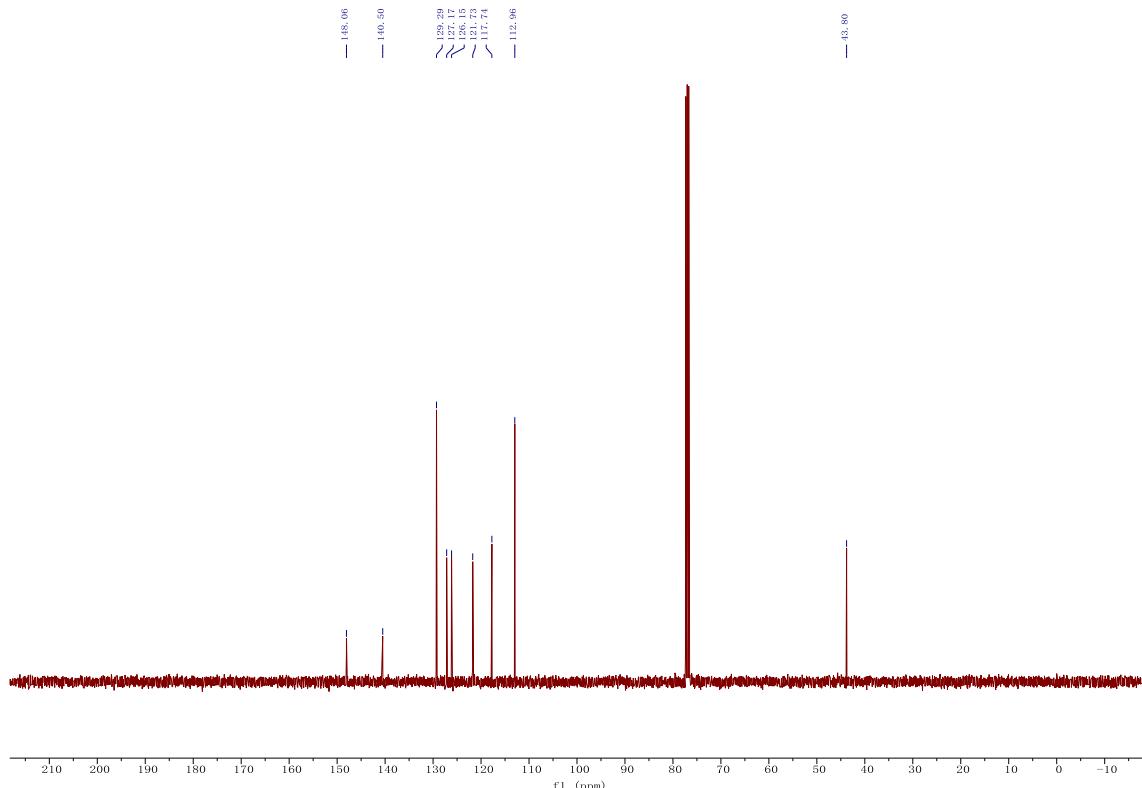
*N-(thiophen-3-ylmethyl)aniline (**3la**).<sup>8</sup>*



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 89 % isolated yield, 84 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.34 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, =CH, 3H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, =CH, 1H), 6.76 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.37 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.01 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 43.80, 112.96, 117.74, 121.73, 126.15, 127.17, 129.29, 140.50, 148.06 ppm.

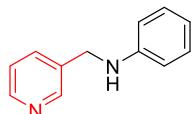


**Figure S6-31a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3la** in Chloroform-*d*.

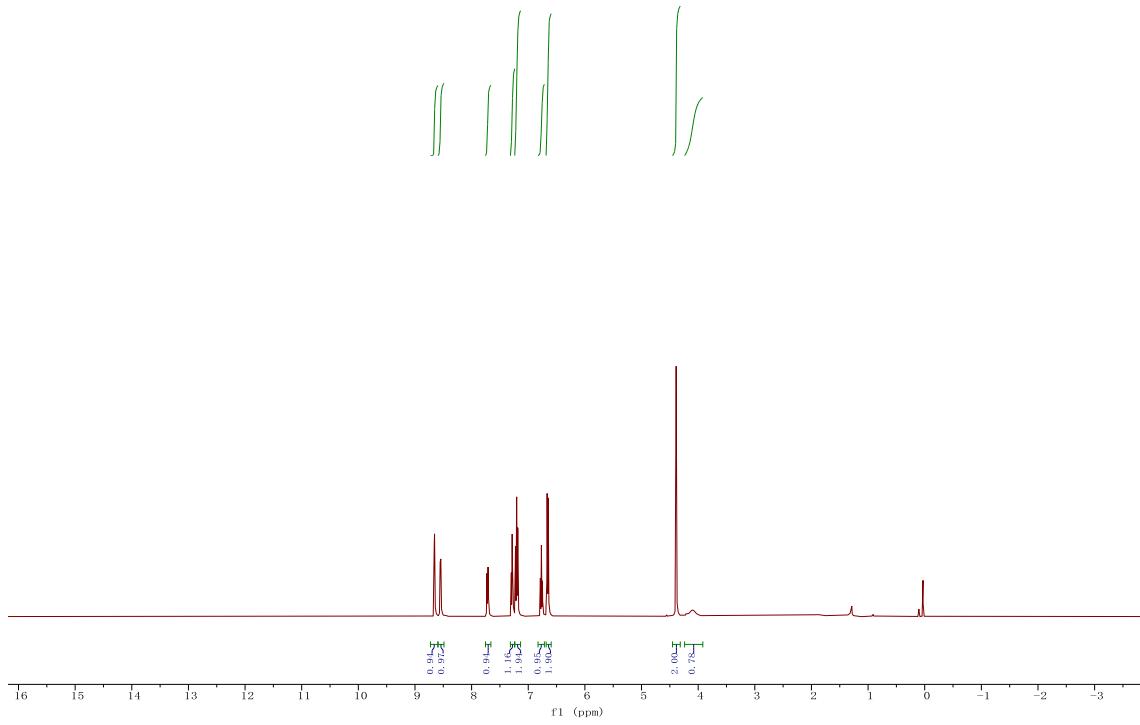


**Figure S6-31b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3la** in Chloroform-*d*.

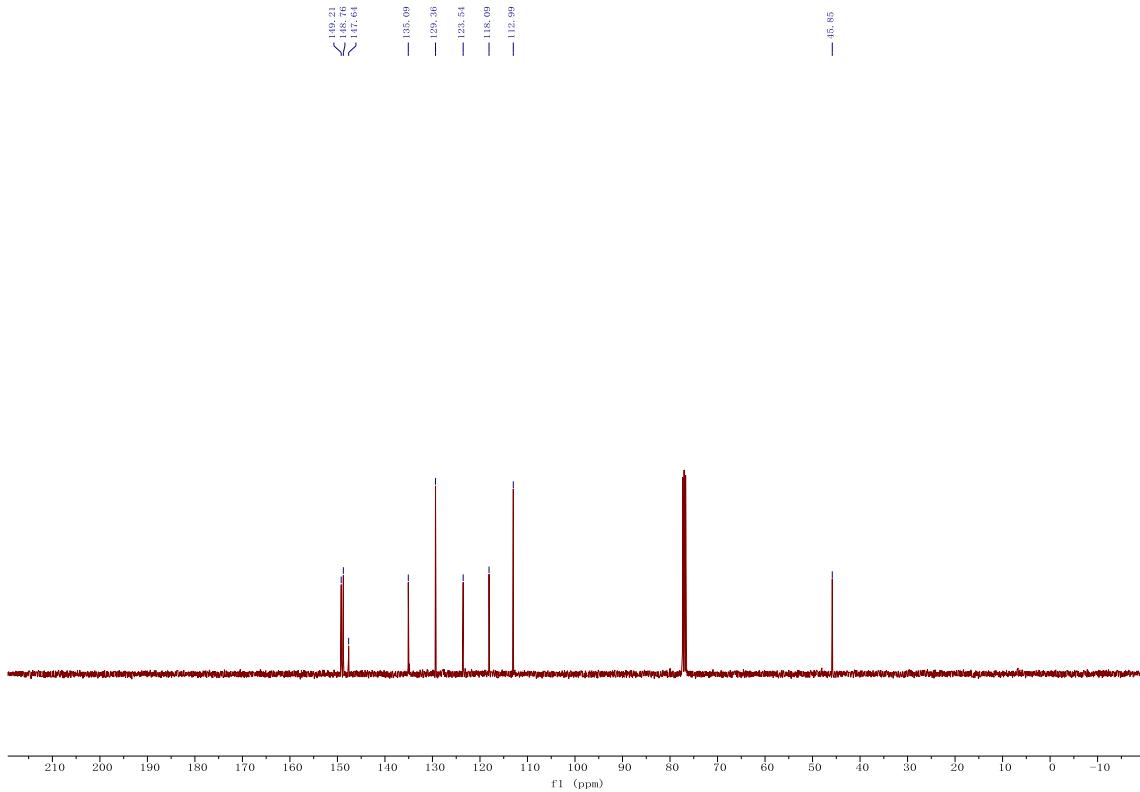
*N*-(pyridin-3-ylmethyl)aniline (**3ma**).<sup>8</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (solid, 88 % isolated yield, 81 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.66 (d,  $J = 2.3$  Hz, =CH, 1H), 8.55 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.72 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.81 – 6.73 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.69 – 6.62 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.39 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.16 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 45.85, 112.99, 118.09, 123.54, 129.36, 135.09, 147.64, 148.76, 149.21 ppm.

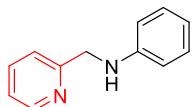


**Figure S6-32a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ma** in Chloroform-*d*.

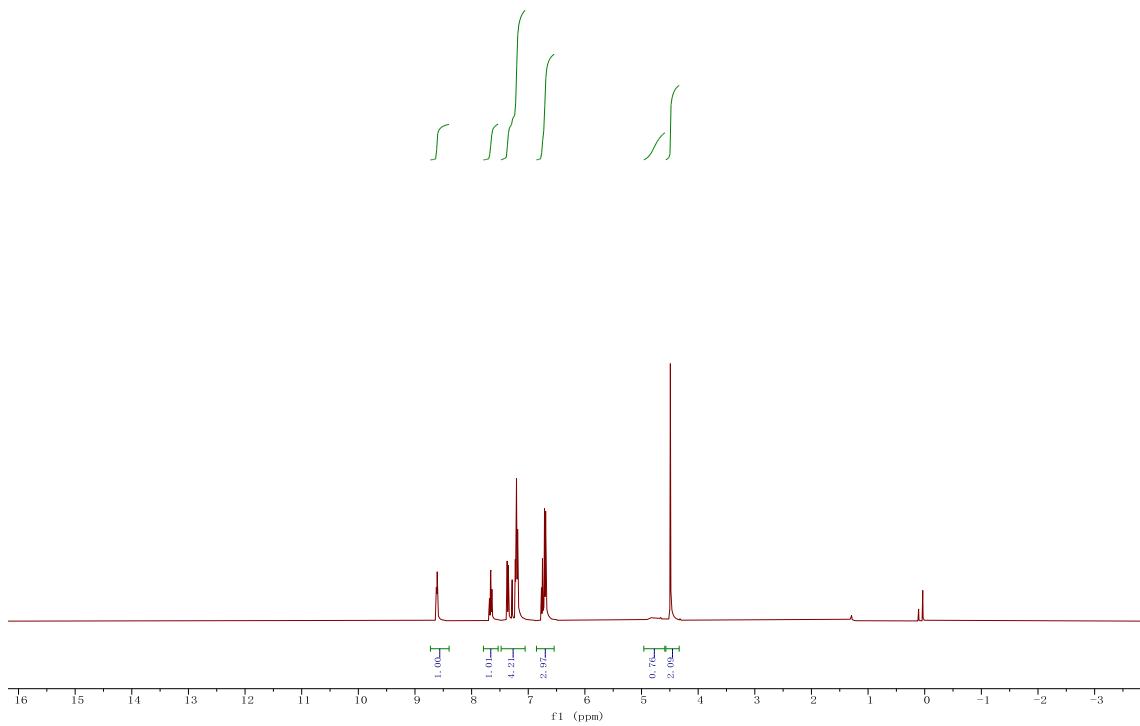


**Figure S6-32b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ma** in Chloroform-*d*.

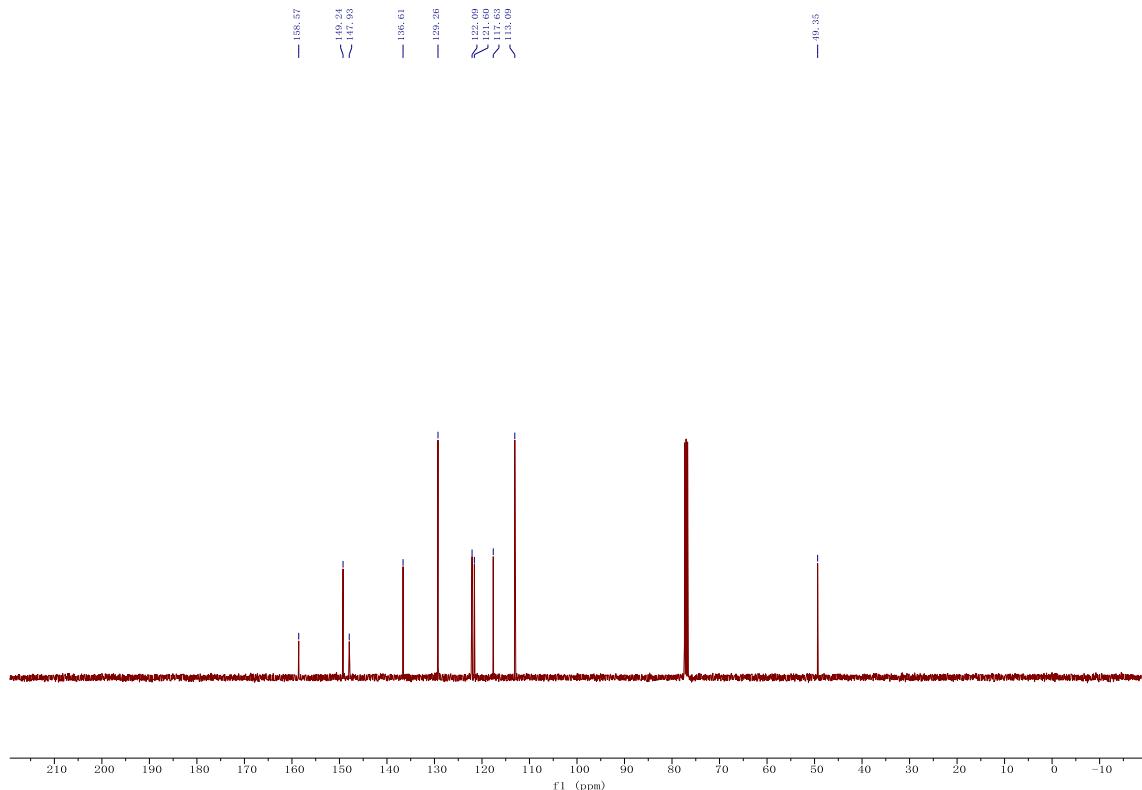
*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (**3na**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 60 % isolated yield, 55 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.64 – 8.58 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.66 (m, =CH, 1H), 7.44 – 7.00 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, =CH, 4H), 6.87 – 6.35 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.77 (s, -NH, 1H), 4.49 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 49.35, 113.09, 117.63, 121.60, 122.09, 129.26, 136.61, 147.93, 149.24, 158.57 ppm.

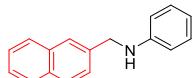


**Figure S6-33a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3na** in Chloroform-*d*.

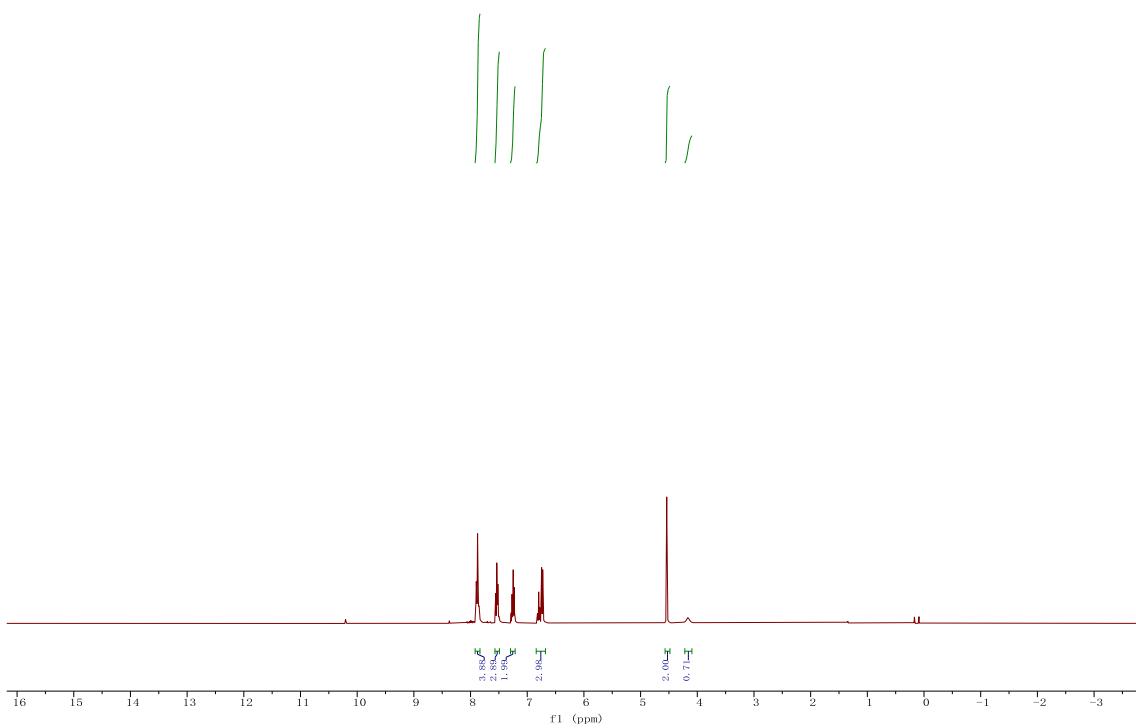


**Figure S6-33b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3na** in Chloroform-*d*.

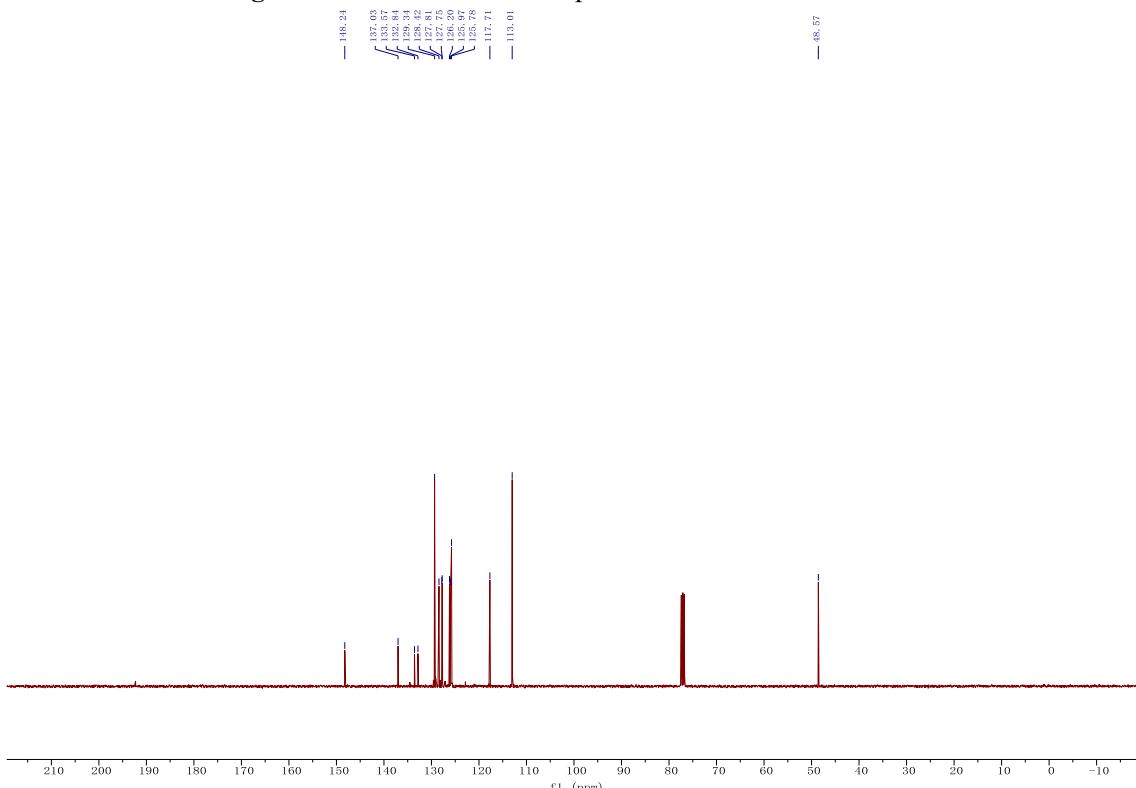
*N*-(naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)aniline (**3oa**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 67 % isolated yield, 78 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.92 – 7.83 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.53 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 7.26 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.77 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.54 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.16 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.57, 113.01, 117.71, 125.78, 125.97, 126.20, 127.75, 127.81, 128.42, 129.34, 132.84, 133.57, 137.03, 148.24 ppm.

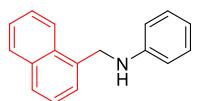


**Figure S6-34a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3oa** in Chloroform-*d*.

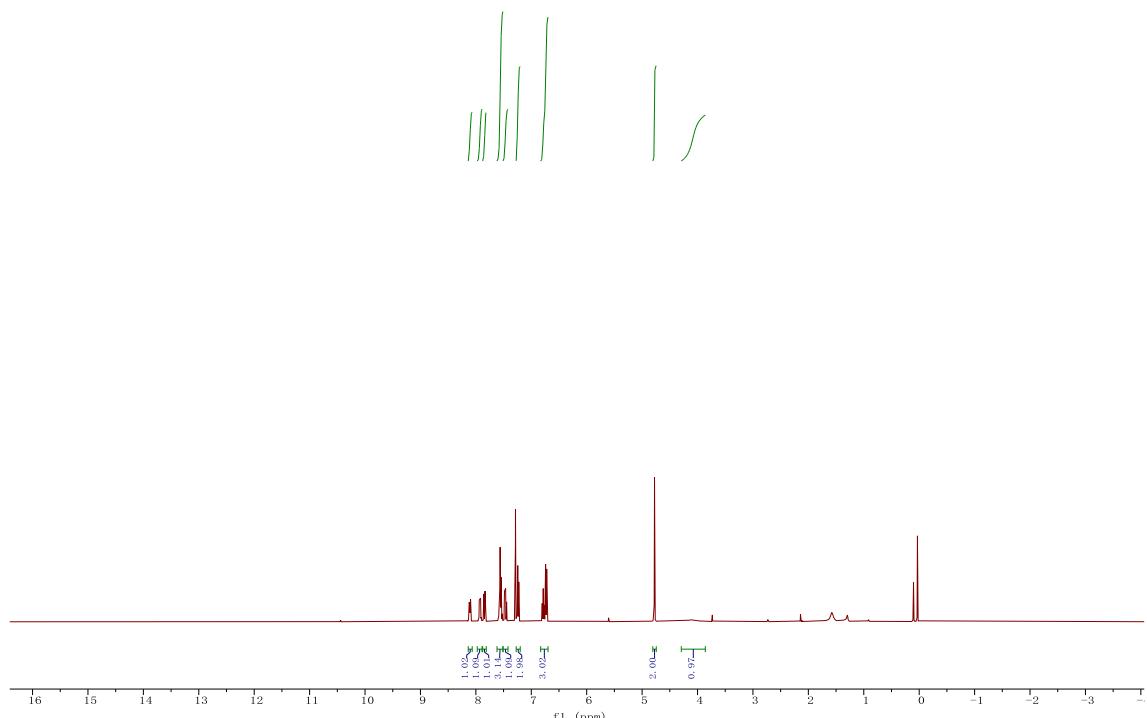


**Figure S6-34b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3oa** in Chloroform-*d*.

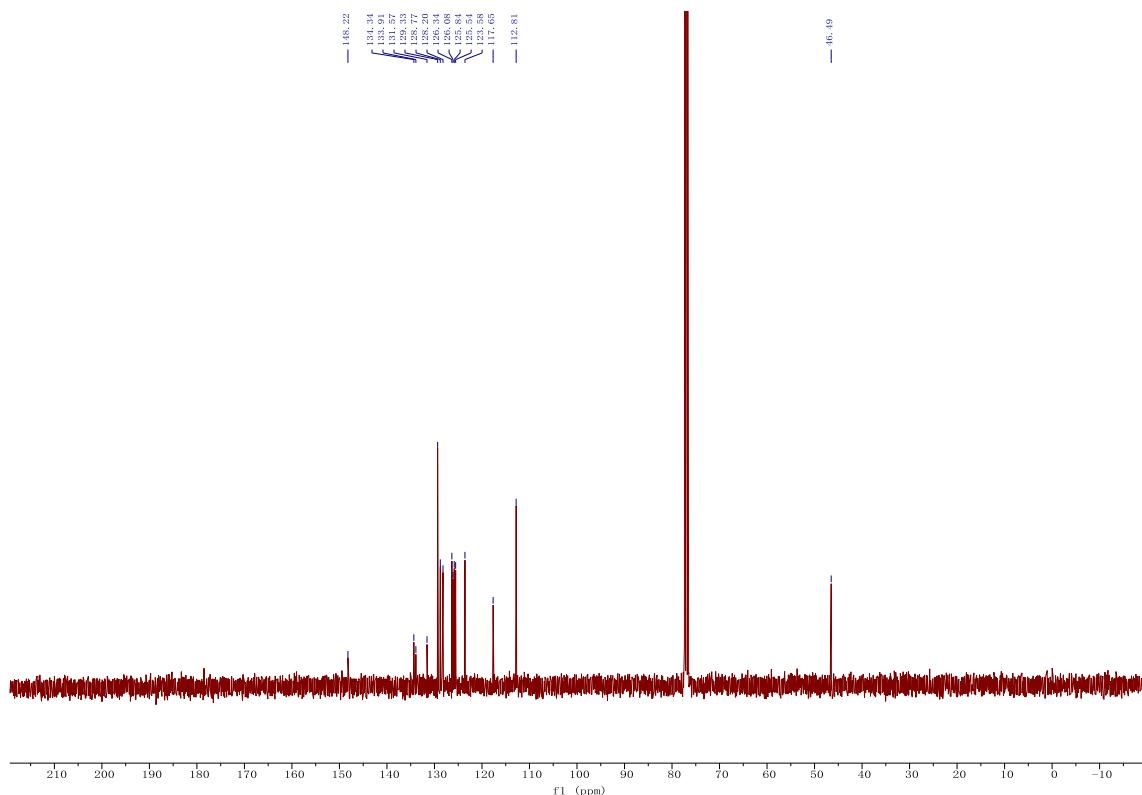
*N*-(naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)aniline (**3pa**).<sup>6</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 85 % isolated yield, 99 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.15 – 8.07 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.96 – 7.89 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.56 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 7.46 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.83 – 6.70 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 3H), 4.78 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.08 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 45.95, 113.71, 117.65, 123.58, 125.54, 125.84, 126.09, 126.34, 128.20, 128.77, 129.33, 131.57, 133.91, 134.91, 147.14 ppm.

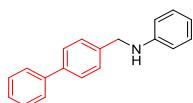


**Figure S6-35a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3pa** in Chloroform-*d*.

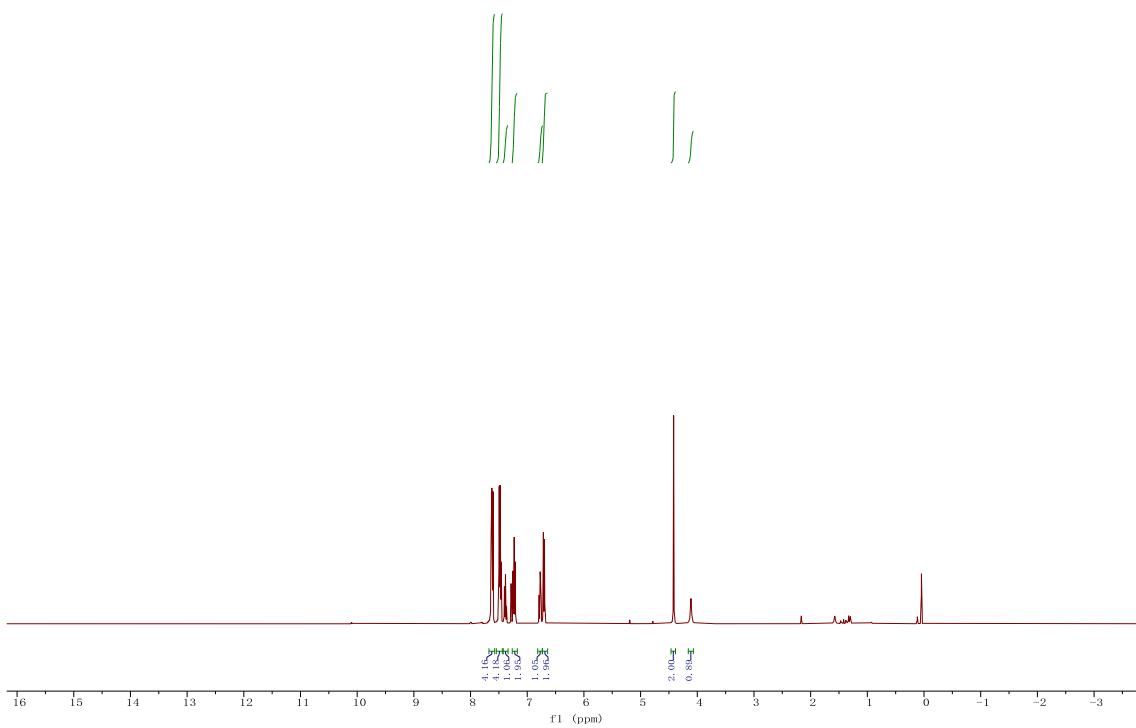


**Figure S6-35b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3pa** in Chloroform-*d*.

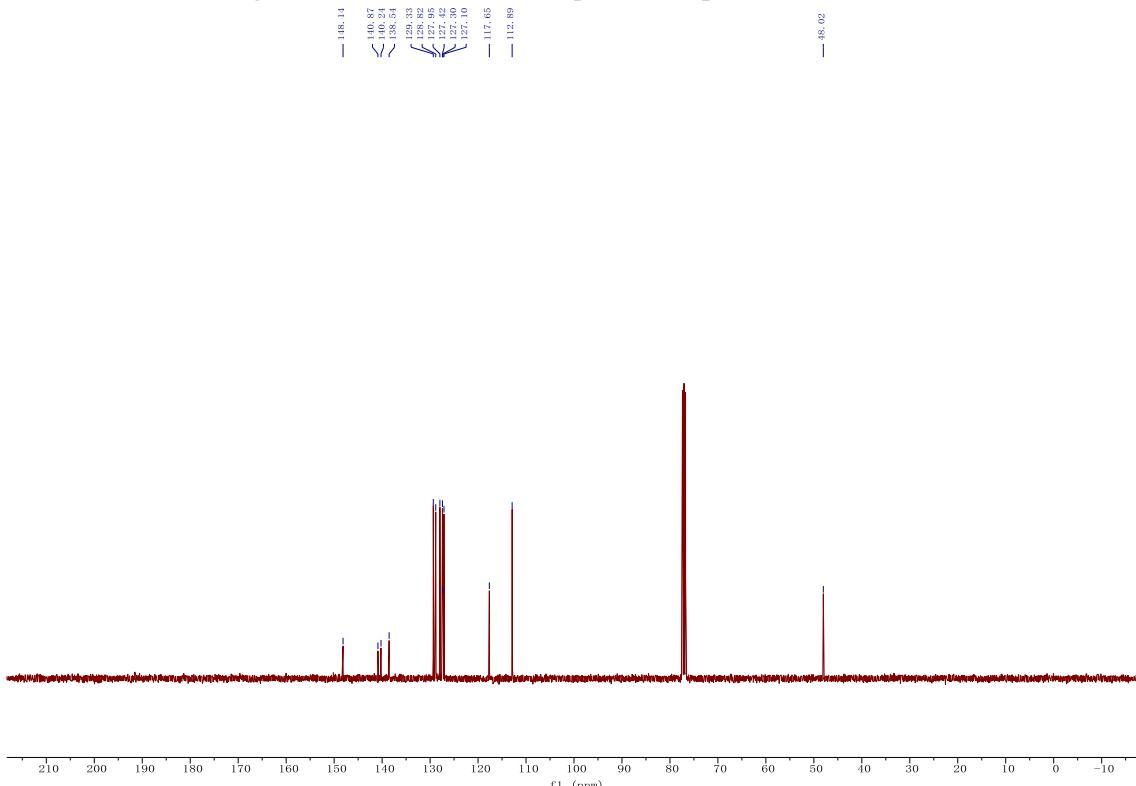
*N-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ylmethyl)aniline (**3qa**).<sup>6</sup>*



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (soild, 82 % isolated yield, 107 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.71 – 7.58 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.48 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.77 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.73 – 6.67 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.42 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 4.11 (s, -NH, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 48.02, 112.89, 117.65, 127.10, 127.30, 127.42, 127.95, 128.82, 129.33, 138.54, 140.24, 140.87, 148.14 ppm.

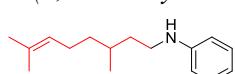


**Figure S6-36a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3qa** in Chloroform-*d*.

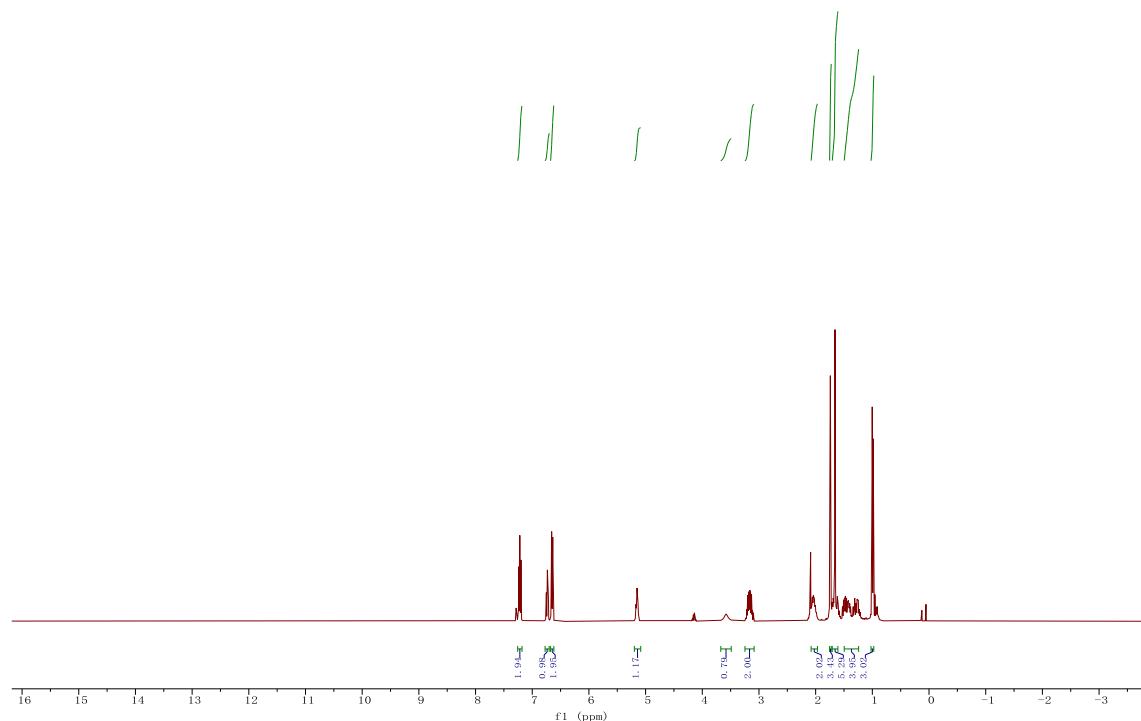


**Figure S6-36b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3qa** in Chloroform-*d*.

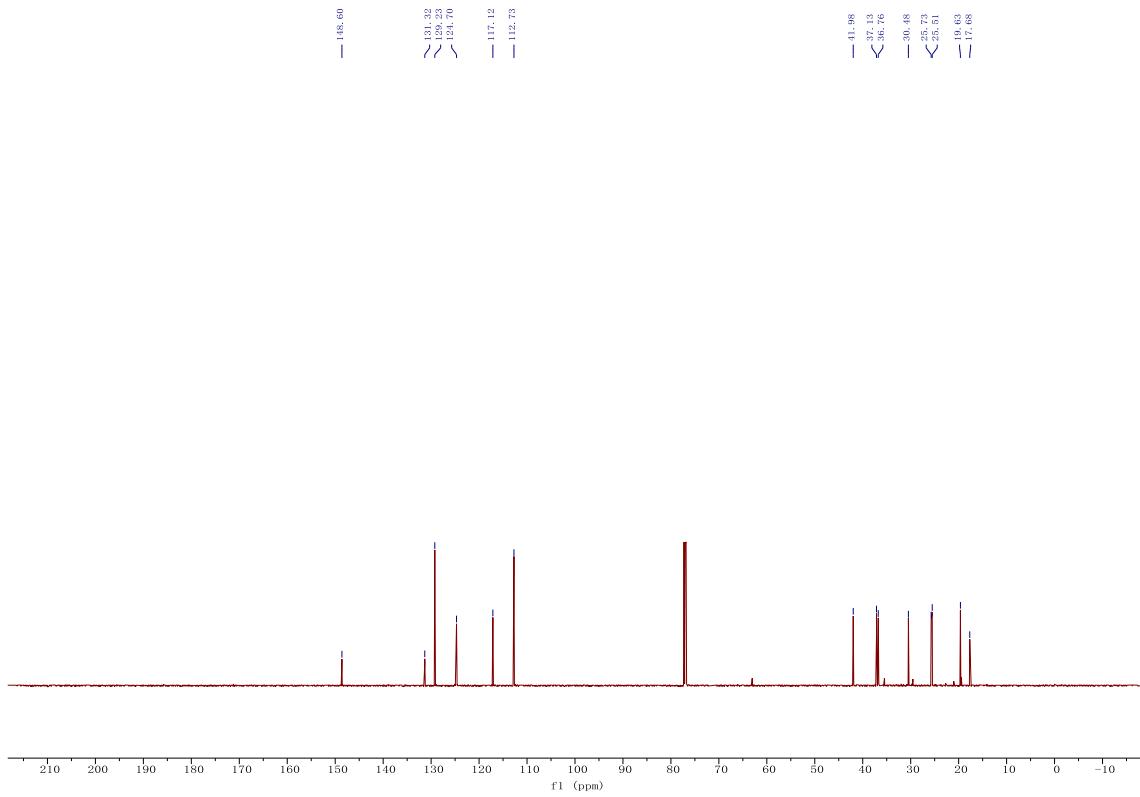
*N*-(3,7-dimethyloct-6-en-1-yl)aniline (**3ra**).<sup>12</sup>



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 78 % isolated yield, 90 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.13 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.73 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 1H), 6.68 – 6.62 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 5.15 (m, =CH, 1H), 3.58 (s, -NH, 1H), 3.17 (m, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 2.15 – 1.95 (m, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 1.74 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H), 1.70 – 1.60 (m, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 5H), 1.53 – 1.17 (m, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H), 1.05 – 0.87 (m, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 17.68, 19.63, 25.51, 25.73, 30.48, 36.76, 37.13, 41.98, 112.73, 117.12, 124.70, 129.23, 131.32, 148.60 ppm.

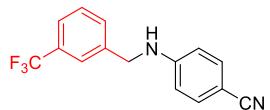


**Figure S6-37a.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **3ra** in Chloroform-*d*.

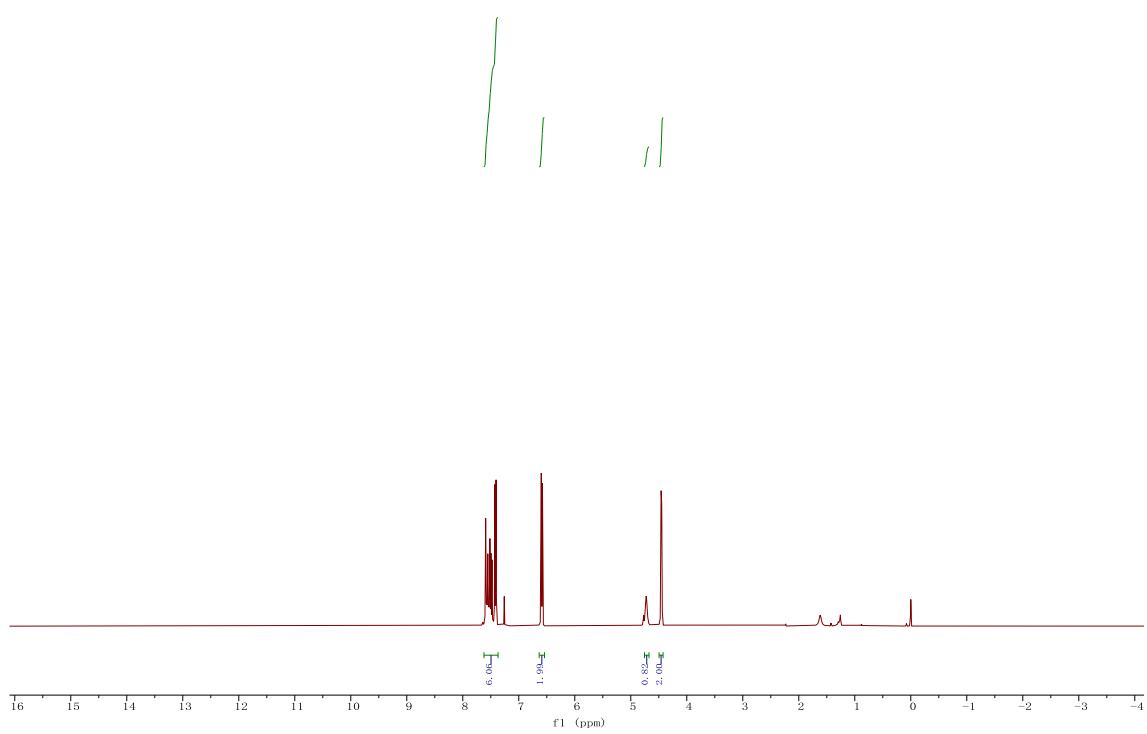


**Figure S6-37b.** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **3ra** in Chloroform-*d*.

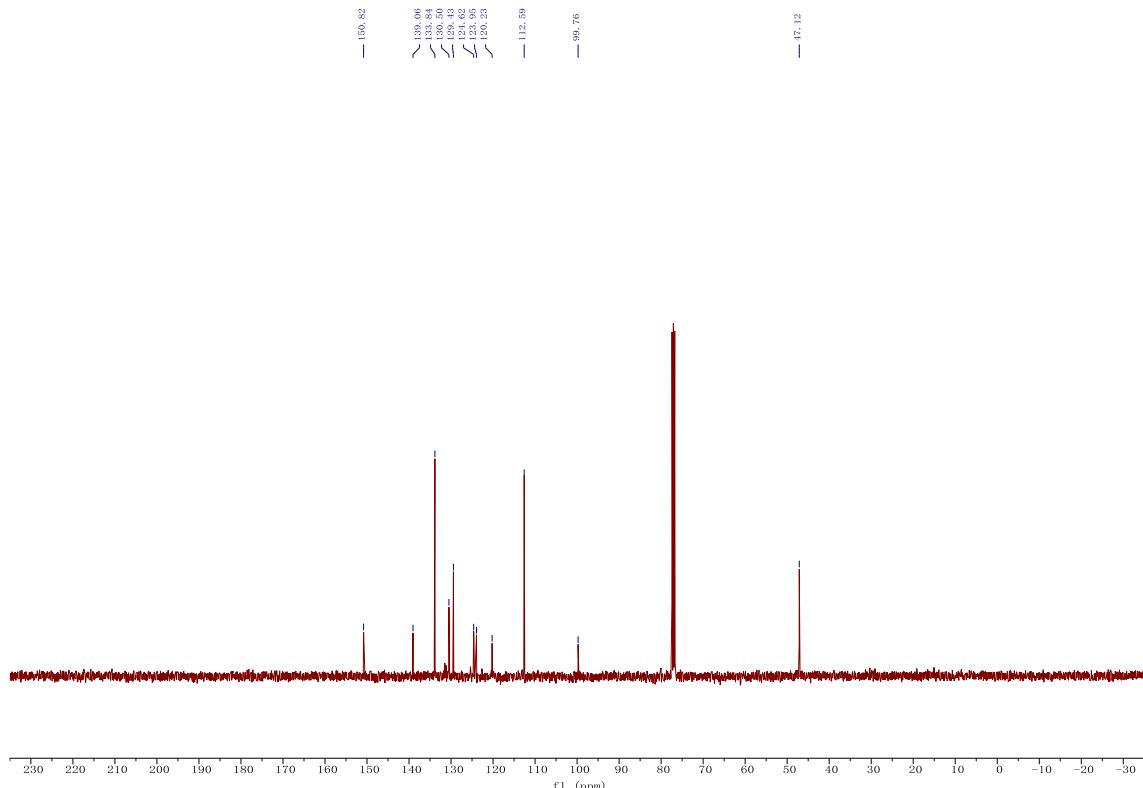
*4-((3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)amino)benzonitrile (**3sa**).*



The compound was prepared as described in the general method (oil, 61 % isolated yield, 84 mg).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.52 (m, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 4H), 7.42 (d, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 6.59 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, 2H), 4.73 (s, -NH, 1H), 4.45 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  47.12, 99.76, 112.59, 120.23, 123.95, 124.62, 129.43, 130.50, 133.84, 139.06, 150.82 ppm.



**Figure S6-38a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 3sa in Chloroform-*d*.



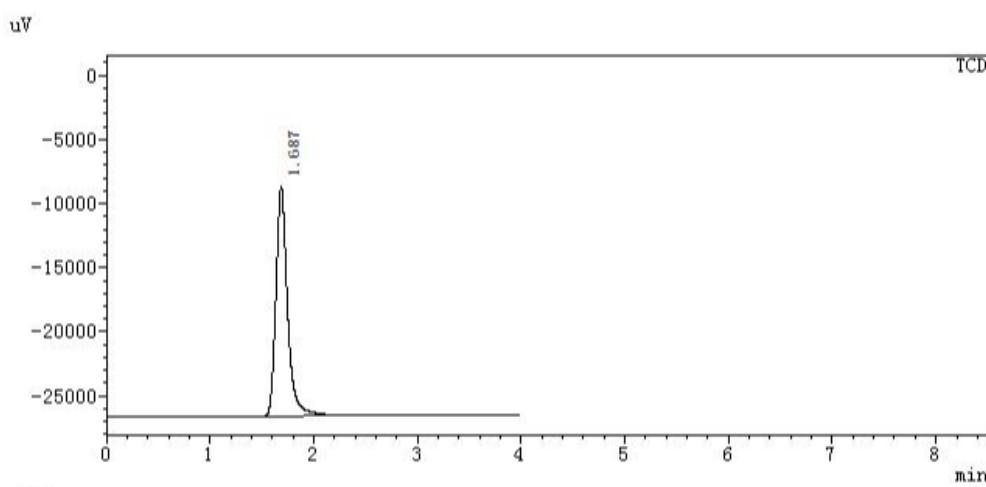
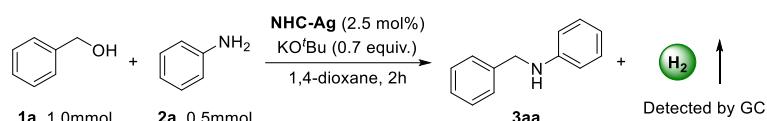
**Figure S6-38b.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 3sa in Chloroform-*d*.

#### IV. Mechanism Details

The *bis*-NHC achieving silver-catalyzed transformation stimulates us to further investigate the silver (de)hydrogenation reaction mechanism. To gain more insights, preliminary control experiments were conducted. Three drops of Hg were added to the reaction under optimal conditions. The reaction still resulted in a satisfactory yield (83%), indicating the homogenous nature of this **NHC-Ag** catalysis (**Figure 3B**, entry 1). A radical process could be ruled out with the observation of a high yield (85% and 84%) in the presence of stoichiometric amounts of the radical scavengers, TEMPO and BHT (**Figure 3B**, entry 2), respectively. To further illustrate the existence of silver-hydride species in the *N*-alkylation reaction, verification experiments were performed. A significant concentration of hydrogen gas was detected during the reaction by GC analysis, produced by the silver-hydride species (**Figure S7**). The hydrogen-deuterium exchange was observed for the *N*-alkylation between **1a-D** and **2a** under the optimal reaction conditions. The **3aa**, **3aa-d<sub>1</sub>**, and **3aa-d<sub>2</sub>** ratios were calculated based on the detected <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (14:42:44, **Figure 3B**, entry 3, and **Figure S8**). Furthermore, the kinetic isotope effect (KIE = 2.15) was measured by using benzyl alcohol- $\alpha$ -d<sub>2</sub> (**1a-D**), which indicated that the (de)hydrogenation of alcohols was probably involved in the rate-determining step (RDS) along the catalytic cycle. Meanwhile, substrate **1b**, benzaldehydes **4a**, and **2a** were added in a molar ratio of 1:1:1 under optimal reaction conditions. The yields of 28% for **3aa** and 36% for **3ba** were detected by GC, which further confirmed the realization of silver-catalyzed BH/HA reaction (**Figure 3B**, entry 4). Ensuring the silver achieved the BH/HA process, the kinetics of the silver catalytic system were carried out to establish a catalytic model (**Figure 3C**). The reaction was found to be 0.5 order concerning **NHC-Ag**, indicating the dissociation of di-nuclear **NHC-Ag** in the reaction cycle. Meanwhile, the reaction order of ligand **L2** was found to be one, which confirmed that one *bis*-NHC ligand was involved in the catalytic cycle (**Figure S9-3b**). Combined together, these results revealed the final mechanism study model in which the catalytic species was likely composed of only one silver center and one *bis*-NHC ligand.

### 1. Detection of hydrogen gas

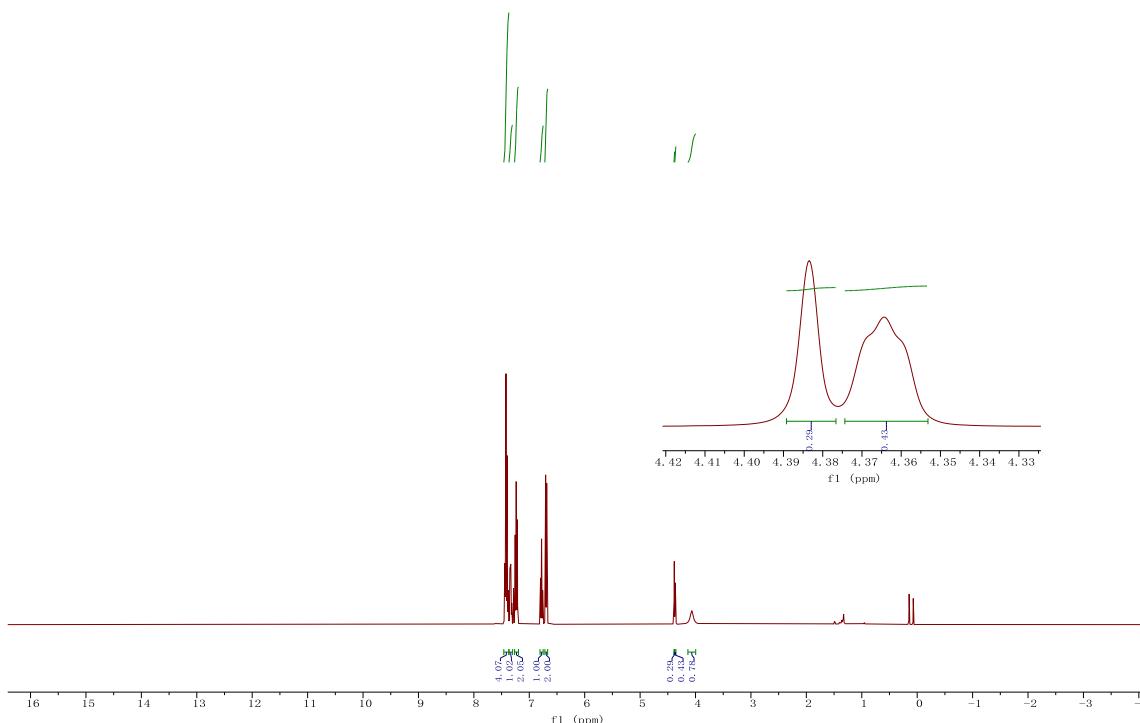
To a 15 mL reaction tube in a glovebox, was added aniline (**2a**, 0.5 mmol), benzyl alcohol (**1a**, 1.0 mmol), <sup>1</sup>BuOK (0.7 equiv.), **NHC-Ag** (2.5 mol%), and 1,4-dioxane (1 mL). Then the tube was closed with a rubber stopper sealed with iron wire and removed from the glovebox. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 150 °C. The head gas was collected by a gas-tight syringe and analyzed by GC. Hydrogen gas was detected.



**Figure S7.** Detection of hydrogen gas by GC. GC parameters: injection temperature = 200 °C, column temperature = 60 °C, detector temperature = 150 °C. 5 Å molecular sieves column was used, and the carrier gas was N<sub>2</sub>. The retention time for H<sub>2</sub> was 1.687 min.

## 2. Deuterium-labelling experiment

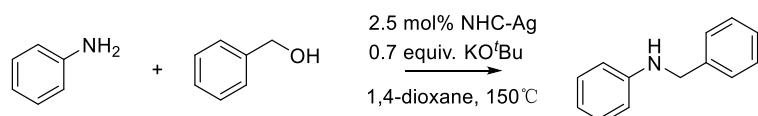
Following the general method<sup>6</sup> to prepare the benzylalcohol- $\alpha$ -d<sub>2</sub> (**1a-D**). To a 10 mL seal tube in a glovebox, was added aniline (**2a**, 0.5 mmol), benzyl alcohol- $\alpha$ -d<sub>2</sub> (**1a-D**, 1.0 mmol), 'BuOK (0.7 equiv.), **NHC-Ag** (2.5 mol%) and 1,4-dioxane (1 mL). Then the tube was sealed with a Teflon plug and removed from the glovebox. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 150 °C. After cooling to R.T., the crude reaction mixture was diluted with 2 mL CH<sub>3</sub>OH and 5 mL EtOAc in order. The solvent was evaporated to dryness and the corresponding amine was purified by column chromatography with silica gel (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether).

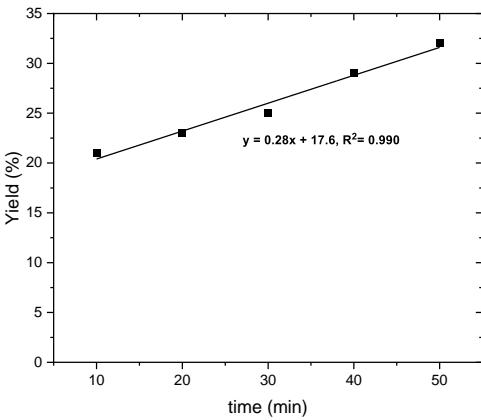


**Figure S8.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **3aa-D** in Chloroform-d.

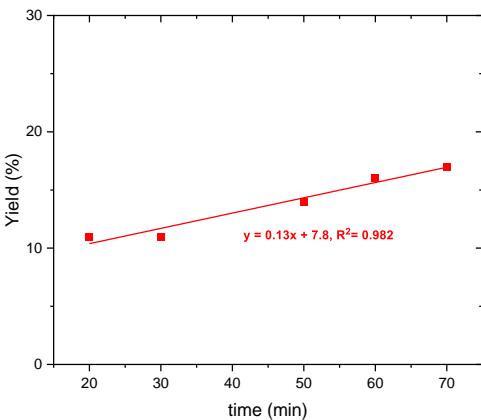
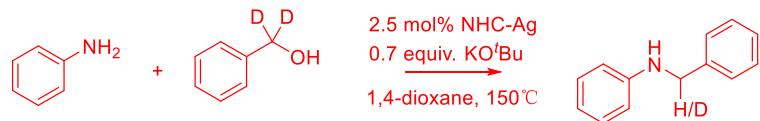
## 3. Kinetic isotope effect (KIE) studies

The kinetic isotope effect (KIE) studies were carried out to gain more information concerning the reaction pathway. Two parallel reactions, one with benzyl alcohol (**1a**) and another with benzyl alcohol- $\alpha$ -d<sub>2</sub> (**1a-D**), were carried out. To a 15 mL reaction tube in a glovebox, was added aniline (0.5 mmol), alcohol (1.0 mmol), KO'Bu (0.7 equiv.), **NHC-Ag** (2.5 mol%) and dodecane (113 uL) in 1,4-dioxane (1 mL). Then the tube was closed with a rubber stopper sealed with iron wire and removed from the glovebox. The reaction mixture was stirred at 150 °C, the aliquots were taken after 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70 min. And yields of products were determined by GC. The calculated KIE (k<sub>H</sub>/k<sub>D</sub>) was 2.15.





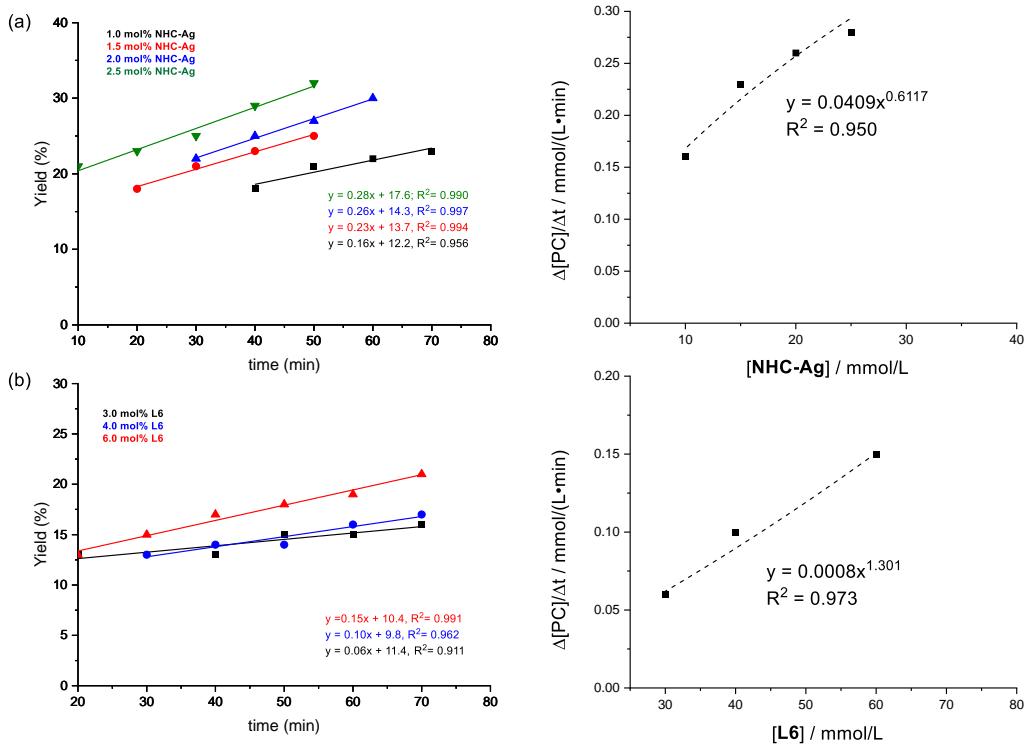
**Figure S9-1.** Correlation between time and GC yield.



**Figure S9-2.** Correlation between time and GC yield.

#### 4. Reaction order of silver catalyst and ligand 6

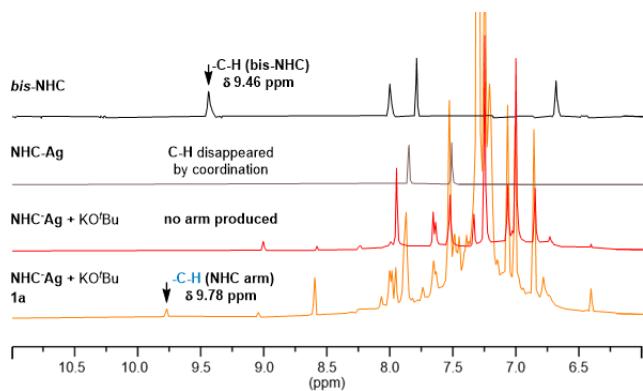
Two situ reactions, one with **NHC-Ag** and another with **L6**, were carried out. To a 15 mL reaction tube in a glovebox, was added aniline (0.5 mmol), alcohol (1.0 mmol), KOBu (0.7 equiv.), **NHC-Ag** and dodecane (113 uL) in 1,4-dioxane (1 mL). To a 15 mL reaction tube in a glovebox, was added aniline (0.5 mmol), alcohol (1.0 mmol), KOBu (0.7 equiv.), **L6** and dodecane (113 uL) in 1,4-dioxane (1 mL). Then the tubes were closed with rubber stoppers sealed with iron wire and removed from the glovebox. The reaction mixture was stirred at 150 °C, the aliquots were taken after 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70 min. And yields of products were determined by GC. The order of **NHC-Ag** was 0.5, and the order of **L6** was 1.0.



**Figure S9-3.** (a) Order of NHC-Ag. (b) Order of L6.

## 5. Detection of the dissociative functional arm by $^1\text{H}$ NMR

Four experiment tests were carried out, respectively. Test 1 was the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of bis-NHC in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>. Test 2 was the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of NHC-Ag in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>. The NHC-Ag (0.06 mmol) and KO'Bu (0.125 mmol) were added to 1 mL 1,4-dioxane for Test 3. The solvent was removed after stirring 1 h at R.T., and the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> was detected. The NHC-Ag (0.06 mmol), KO'Bu (0.125 mmol), and benzyl alcohol (**1a**, 0.125 mmol) were added to 1 mL 1,4-dioxane for Test 4. The solvent was removed after stirring 2 h at 150 °C under Ar atmosphere and detected the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>.

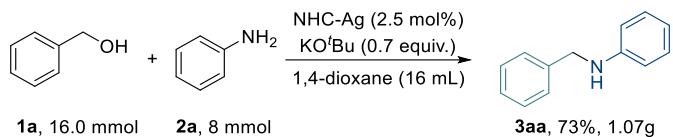


**Figure S9-4.** Detection of the dissociative functional arm by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR.

## 6. Gram-scale reaction

The gram-scale reaction was carried out. To a 150 mL seal tube in a glovebox, was added aniline (8 mmol), alcohol (16 mmol), KO'Bu (0.7 equiv.), NHC-Ag (2.5 mol%) in 1,4-dioxane (16 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 150 °C. After cooling to R.T., the crude reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>3</sub>OH. The solvent

was evaporated to dryness and the corresponding amine was purified by column chromatography with silica gel (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether).



**Figure S9-5.** Gram-scale reaction.

## V. Computational Details

All of the geometry optimizations and frequency calculations used the mixed basis sets with M06-L/BSI level<sup>14-17</sup> (BSI designated the basis set combination of Lanl2DZ for Ag, and 6-31G\*\* for other atoms) in density functional theory (DFT) calculations.<sup>18-20</sup> All of the reactants, intermediates and products had no imaginary frequency, and the transition states had only one imaginary frequency. Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) computations were used to confirm the structure of transition states. The energetic results were then further refined by single-point calculations at M06-L/BSII level<sup>21,22</sup> (BSII designated the basis set combination of SDD for Ag, and 6-311++G\*\* for other atoms). The solvation effects of 1,4-dioxane ( $\epsilon = 2.2099$ ) were simulated by the SMD<sup>23</sup> solvent model. All 3D diagrams of the structures were generated by CYLview<sup>24</sup> and IQmol<sup>25</sup>. The Multiwfn program<sup>26</sup> were employed to analyze the orbital components

### Cartesian coordinates

#### NHC-Ag

				C	2.99897	-3.00796	-1.89400
				H	3.15875	-1.93722	-1.78225
				H	3.63895	-3.52041	-1.17312
				H	3.27002	-3.31260	-2.90576
				C	-1.11670	-0.10788	3.76645
				H	-0.88219	0.79765	3.20214
				H	-2.06607	0.03413	4.28842
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				C	2.70089	0.49590	3.03177
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				H	3.75033	0.30957	2.79166
				H	2.59176	0.80058	4.07468
				C	2.40666	2.88472	2.32616
				C	2.02468	3.49059	1.17560
				C	-0.38403	4.40621	-1.85383
				C	-1.73262	4.55494	-1.84601
				C	-1.13995	-2.55051	3.18626
				C	-1.30438	-3.25700	2.04056
				C	-0.32425	-4.37816	-1.60759
				C	0.95632	-4.47060	-2.05049
				H	2.82427	3.29175	3.23324
				H	2.01635	4.52983	0.88720
				H	0.39953	5.01876	-2.27194
				H	-2.36211	5.32890	-2.25514
				H	-1.00015	-2.87539	4.20500
				H	-3.80893	2.41034	-0.27334

H	-1.31945	-4.31992	1.85794	C	4.86753	0.25547	-0.66667
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Ag	-1.49501	0.76806	0.32170	C	6.18089	-0.93652	0.99138
Ag	1.30685	-0.64465	-0.03376	H	4.96433	0.79309	1.40956
P	-4.87177	-0.40383	-0.40917	C	6.17545	-1.69049	-1.29687
F	-6.20265	-0.66251	0.45662	H	4.95998	-0.54076	-2.65805
F	-5.35794	-1.38646	-1.59330	C	6.61209	-1.83742	0.01634
F	-4.28151	0.60003	0.78110	H	6.52562	-1.04168	2.01728
F	-3.45615	-0.11289	-1.26309	H	6.50742	-2.38780	-2.06185
F	-5.54111	0.88255	-1.14017	H	7.28802	-2.64621	0.28052
F	-4.11755	-1.65909	0.33483	C	-0.87597	-1.38015	1.72788
P	4.90016	0.07361	-0.47659	C	-0.07341	-2.25868	1.07323
F	6.17336	-0.23575	0.46489	C	-2.94050	1.56876	1.74271
F	5.73655	1.09465	-1.40280	C	-3.48924	1.98621	0.58136
F	5.27025	-1.17364	-1.45520	H	-0.30873	-3.21462	0.63762
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				P	-3.54897	-1.49034	-0.61237
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H	3.96157	0.22814	-3.40251	H	-0.91666	-0.26662	-1.25980
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F	1.15156	1.88198	-1.18355	N	1.53501	-1.28910	-0.30150
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Ag	3.61933	0.01674	-0.65480	H	0.24665	-0.94315	1.30855
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H	1.24380	-4.31175	-3.09430	F	3.65090	0.73732	1.09425
H	-0.06592	-3.12149	-3.28234	F	4.28940	2.74256	0.15577
H	1.48843	-2.87329	-4.11233				
H	-1.52480	0.75104	0.89360				
Ag	-1.45108	-1.36223	-1.09147	<b>C1</b>			
C	-3.96391	-0.36730	0.60033	N	-2.96393	-0.75909	0.75539
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H	-4.37620	-1.38237	0.49633	C	-2.12927	-0.00004	0.00007
C	-4.83586	0.69883	0.04704	C	-2.52576	1.73948	-1.73153
C	-5.07776	1.86426	0.78379	H	-2.89251	2.73269	-1.46526
C	-5.44941	0.54974	-1.20136	H	-1.43508	1.75281	-1.74253
C	-5.89696	2.86675	0.27177	C	-2.52636	-1.73953	1.73150
H	-4.61812	1.95469	1.76434	H	-2.89106	-1.47622	2.72627
C	-6.26696	1.55020	-1.71282	H	-2.89282	-2.73274	1.46485
H	-5.25572	-0.35193	-1.77919	C	-4.28632	0.48122	-0.47891
C	-6.48922	2.71607	-0.97977	C	-4.28649	-0.48092	0.47858
H	-6.08249	3.76381	0.85680	H	-5.09956	0.98305	-0.97843
H	-6.73034	1.42428	-2.68748	H	-5.09992	-0.98261	0.97794
H	-7.12868	3.49788	-1.37992	H	-2.88992	1.47593	-2.72644
C	1.33261	1.76405	-0.40090	H	-1.43569	-1.75267	1.74303
C	0.45796	2.73939	-0.76721	Ag	0.00001	-0.00007	-0.00001
C	2.84939	-1.64695	-0.55168	C	4.28647	-0.47899	-0.48058
C	2.80811	-2.42777	-1.65838	C	4.28634	0.47929	0.48076
H	0.61552	3.65265	-1.31686	H	5.09990	-0.97876	-0.98186
H	2.39508	1.65016	-0.57145	H	5.09963	0.97920	0.98211
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C	-2.20774	-2.33400	1.64569	H	1.43514	1.74631	1.74904
C	-0.64704	-1.53655	3.81725	H	2.88903	1.46396	2.73272
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H	-1.13397	-4.19171	1.75685				
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F	5.55298	-0.26662	0.27043	N	2.80800	0.02477	0.87733
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C	1.14870	-2.27296	-1.33676	C	3.69266	-0.34501	-1.02833	
H	0.53576	-1.59050	-1.88764	C	3.99780	0.43796	1.25941	
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H	0.52668	-2.92643	-0.76147	H	3.09312	-0.89086	-1.75050	
Ag	-0.01775	0.77294	-0.12926	C	5.20264	1.02210	0.90025	
O	-1.70255	1.82321	-0.37094	H	3.63506	0.50118	2.28335	
C	-2.52591	1.18483	-1.35045	C	5.65151	0.91908	-0.41732	
H	-3.42729	1.74671	-1.47965	H	5.26689	0.15732	-2.39726	
H	-1.99999	1.13534	-2.28097	H	5.79638	1.55068	1.63847	
C	-2.87220	-0.24012	-0.88012	H	6.59697	1.37279	-0.69929	
C	-2.96710	-0.52237	0.48928	C	-4.21884	1.78592	-0.07840	
C	-3.09242	-1.25459	-1.82155	C	-4.79736	0.55851	-0.02770	
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H	-2.79897	0.25220	1.20808	H	-5.83465	0.26472	-0.00822	
C	-3.40755	-2.55130	-1.39358	H	-2.00823	3.24675	-1.03539	
H	-3.01995	-1.03909	-2.86711					
C	-3.50245	-2.83355	-0.02418					
H	-3.35468	-2.03458	1.96282	<b>C1-IM</b>				
H	-3.57570	-3.32587	-2.11239	Ag	-0.00007	1.71667	-0.00004	
H	-3.74304	-3.82362	0.30258	N	-3.09207	1.25419	-0.54615	
C	3.73455	-0.93473	0.78388	N	-2.80925	2.74860	0.95771	
C	3.25153	-1.89770	-0.03505	C	-2.82428	0.17433	-1.47321	
H	4.68780	-0.94016	1.26987	H	-1.79547	0.20241	-1.76589	
H	3.75470	-2.80045	-0.31214	H	-3.44432	0.28485	-2.33822	
H	3.54053	1.08141	2.52088	C	-2.12308	1.88369	0.17553	
				C	-2.20226	3.67864	1.89779	
				H	-2.43664	4.70644	1.61621	
				H	-2.56998	3.48728	2.90704	
<b>C1-TS1</b>								
N	-3.77016	-0.36143	-0.00315	H	-1.12108	3.53779	1.87670	
N	-2.85469	1.58105	-0.08344	C	-4.35393	1.71409	-0.21240	
C	-2.56604	0.25819	-0.04198	C	-4.17084	2.66266	0.73864	
C	-1.87266	2.65012	-0.13179	H	-5.25474	1.34913	-0.68016	
H	-1.97029	3.29237	0.74529	H	-4.88044	3.28311	1.26295	
H	-0.87514	2.20888	-0.14000	H	-3.03518	-0.76213	-1.00049	
C	-3.96402	-1.80015	0.05230	H	1.62935	1.58848	-0.13478	
H	-2.98802	-2.28714	0.03485					
H	-4.48277	-2.07738	0.97156					
H	-4.54407	-2.13719	-0.80826	<b>C1-TS2</b>				
Ag	-0.66625	-0.65266	-0.01746	N	-3.35399	-2.20969	0.05809	
O	1.29602	-1.61660	-0.06224	N	-3.29299	-0.21787	0.83588	
C	1.99517	-0.88151	0.70571	C	-2.52997	-1.13755	0.19209	
H	0.90725	0.47223	0.73714	C	-2.82671	1.11064	1.19519	
H	1.82534	-0.91951	1.80090	H	-1.78120	1.21224	0.89294	

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H	-1.92155	-3.35130	-0.89490	H	-2.49027	-3.98343	1.77712
H	-3.04637	-4.28494	0.11976	Ag	0.00004	-0.85026	-0.00004
H	-3.58509	-3.64795	-1.45387	C	-4.25081	-0.50506	0.88688
Ag	-0.45857	-0.83305	-0.40759	C	-4.00988	-1.61638	1.62113
C	2.30282	0.63328	-0.50654	H	-5.15382	0.06997	0.76854
H	1.26403	-0.50718	-0.65761	H	-4.66443	-2.20409	2.24499
H	2.25712	0.76813	-1.60213	C	-2.84175	0.95077	-0.57416
C	3.49831	-0.12714	-0.07190	C	-3.92372	1.60188	-1.16389
C	3.97476	-0.03307	1.23920	C	-1.32963	2.33455	-1.57318
C	4.17197	-0.94933	-0.98037	C	-3.65123	2.68692	-1.98806
C	5.10268	-0.74570	1.62887	H	-4.94342	1.26763	-1.00896
H	3.44561	0.62063	1.92621	C	-2.33014	3.06928	-2.19923
C	5.29963	-1.66349	-0.59145	H	-0.27882	2.58332	-1.70953
H	3.79791	-1.02628	-2.00045	H	-4.46659	3.22006	-2.46651
C	5.76859	-1.56412	0.71711	H	-2.08080	3.91003	-2.83668
H	5.46947	-0.66126	2.64888	N	-1.57265	1.29585	-0.76922
H	5.81549	-2.29666	-1.30874	C	4.25091	-0.50490	-0.88668
H	6.65085	-2.11978	1.02400	C	4.01012	-1.61624	-1.62093
C	-4.55998	-0.70070	1.09487	H	5.15388	0.07018	-0.76832
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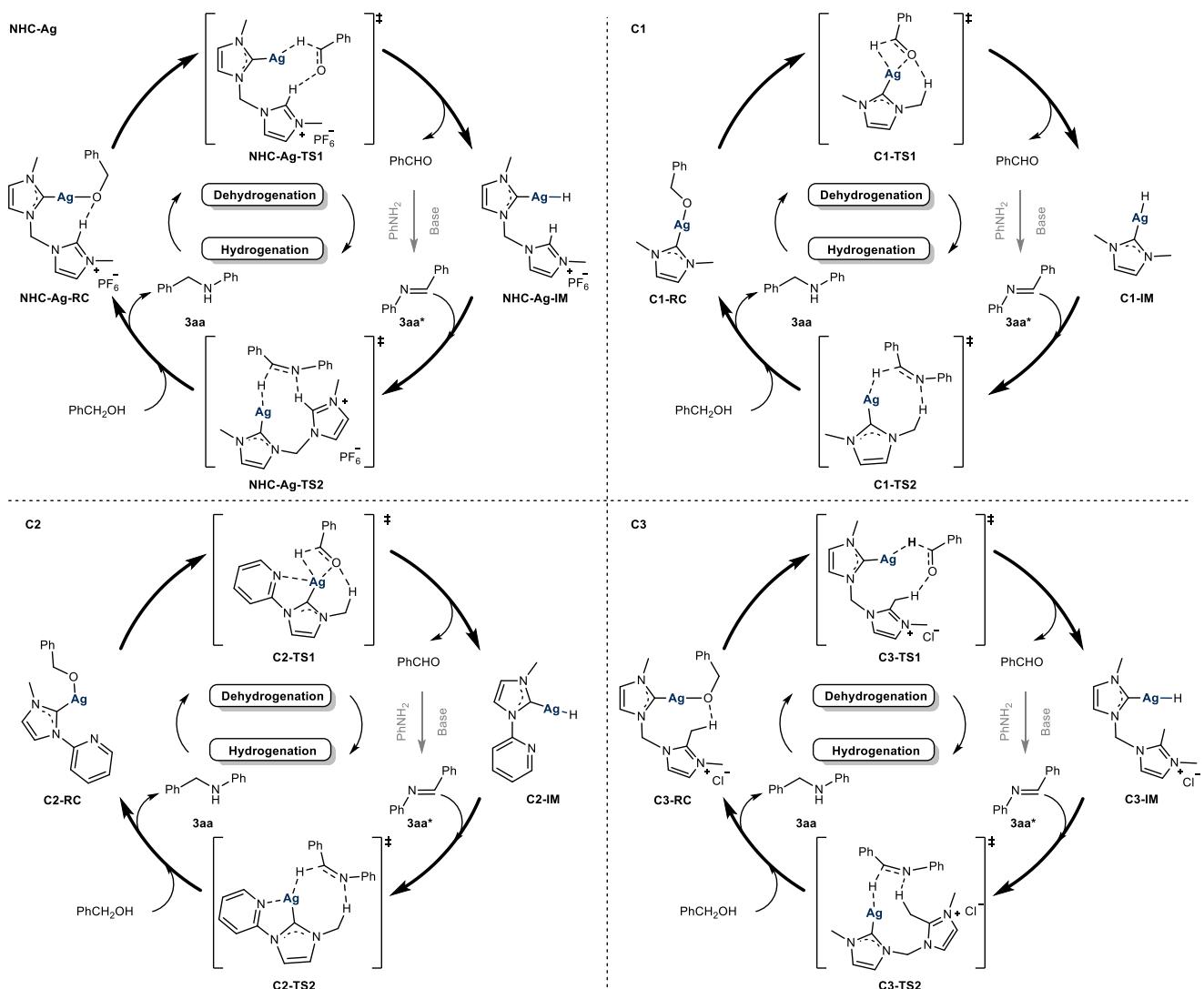
### NHC-Ag-RC-*p*-OCH<sub>3</sub>

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C	-0.41212	1.53055	0.23167	F	-7.08506	1.70449	-0.56376
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H	-2.08138	1.35132	-2.26770	F	-7.02666	0.17825	-2.15348
H	-2.86574	1.65567	-0.70045				



**Figure S10.** Reaction pathway of **NHC-Ag**, **C1**, **C2** and **C3**.

**Table S2.** Hydride dissociation energy (HDE) of  $\text{Ag}-\text{H}$  and orbital energy (OE) of  $\text{Ag}-\text{H}$  bond for ligands (**L1**, **L6**, **L7** and **L8**)

Ligand	$^1\text{H}$ NMR shift (ppm)	Catalyst	HDE ( $\Delta\Delta G$ kcal/mmol)	OE (a.u.)
L1	3.8	<b>C1</b>	0.0	-0.163
L6	9.5	<b>NHC-Ag</b>	-38.2	-0.136
L8	4.0	<b>C2</b>	-5.8	-0.148
L7	2.8	<b>C3</b>	-32.9	-0.168

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