

A Simple and efficient method for mild and selective oxidation of propargylic alcohols using TEMPO and calcium hypochlorite

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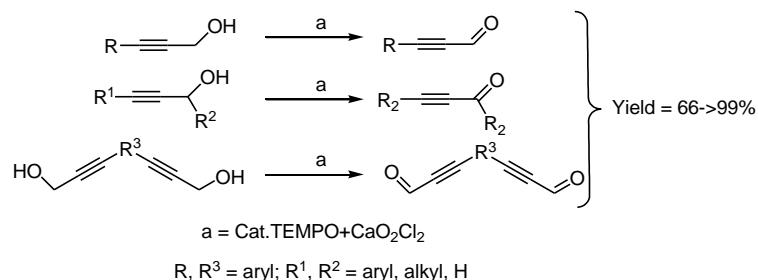
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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Supporting information available: Detailed experimental procedures and characterization data, along with spectra for novel compounds.



3-phenylpropiolaldehyde (Table 1, 2a) (Maeda *et al.*, 2002)

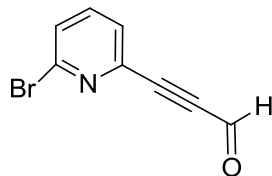
1-Phenylprop-2yn-1-one (Table 1, 2b) (Maeda *et al.*, 2002)

4-phenylbut-3-yn-2-one (Table 1, 2c) (Hanson, *et al.*, 2011)

1,3-diphenylprop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1, 2d) (Liu, J.; Xie, X.; Ma, *Synthesis* **2012**, 44, 1569)

1-Octyn-3-one (Table 1, 2e) (Maeda *et al.*, 2002)

3-(6-bromopyridin-2-yl)propiolaldehyde (Table 1, 2f)



Colorless solid, mp: (97-100 °C)

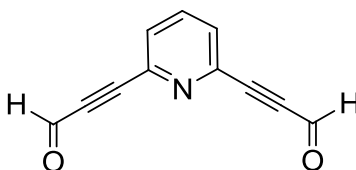
^1H NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 9.37$ (s, 1H), 7.58-7.50 (m, 3H) (Figure 1)

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): $\delta_{\text{C}} = 176.1, 142.5, 140.6, 138.6, 130.0, 127.8, 90.0, 86.4$ (Figure 2)

IR (neat): $\nu = 3063, 2933, 2204, 1651, 1566, 1550, 1434$ cm^{-1}

HRMS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: Calc. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_5\text{BrNO}$ 209.9554, found: $(\text{M})^+$ 209.9558 (Figure 3)

3,3'-(Pyridine-2,6-diyl)dipropiolaldehyde (Table 1, 2g)



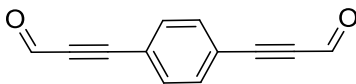
Solid (unstable)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 9.38$ (s, 2H), 7.80-7.61 (m, 3H) (Figure 4)

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS) $\delta_{\text{C}} = 176.3, 141.5, 137.6, 129.8, 90.1, 86.1$ (Figure 5)

IR (neat), $\nu = 3421, 3059, 2956, 2207, 1654, 1567, 1445$ cm^{-1}

3,3'-(1,4-phenylene)dipropiolaldehyde (Table 1, 2h) (Ye *et al.*, 2004)



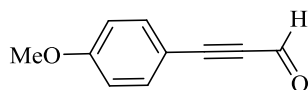
Colourless solid

^1H NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 9.37$ (s, 2H), 7.56 (s, 4H) (Figure 6)

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS) $\delta_{\text{C}} = 176.1, 133.1, 122.1, 92.5, 90.0$ (Figure 7)

IR (neat) : 2187, 1650, 1606, 1499 cm^{-1}

3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propiolaldehyde (Table 1, 2i) (Nowa-Krol, *et. al.*, 2012)



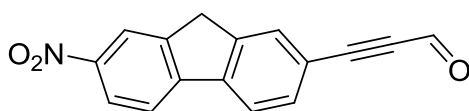
Colourless solid

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 9.37(\text{s}, 2\text{H}), \square 7.56(\text{s}, 4\text{H})$

$^{13}\text{CNMR}$ (100 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) $\delta_{\text{C}} = 176.1, 133.1, 122.1, 92.5, 90.0$

IR (neat) : 2187, 1650, 1606, 1499 cm^{-1}

3-(7-nitro-9H-fluoren-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-al (Table 1, 2j)



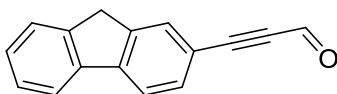
Solid, mp: 145-150 °C

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 9.46(\text{s}, 1\text{H}), 8.45\text{-}7.70(\text{m}, 6\text{H}), 4.07(\text{s}, 2\text{H})$ (Figure, 8)

$^{13}\text{CNMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS); 176.5, 147.6, 146.4, 144.8, 144.6, 142.3, 132.8, 130.1, 123.4, 121.6, 120.9, 120.7, 119.4, 94.9, 89.2, 36.8 (Figure, 9)

IR (neat): $\nu = 2855, 1646, 1516, 1415 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

3-(9H-fluoren-2-yl)propiolaldehyde (Table 1, 2k)



Colourless solid, mp: 110-112 °C

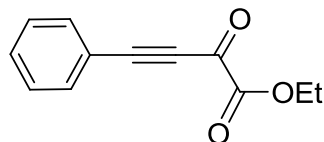
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 9.45(\text{s}, 1\text{H}), 7.38\text{-}7.82(\text{m}, 7\text{H}), 3.92(\text{s}, 2\text{H})$ (Figure 10)

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS): $\delta_{\text{C}} = 177.0, 145.3, 144.3, 143.7, 140.7, 132.8, 130.2, 128.4, 127.5, 125.5, 121.0, 120.4, 117.3, 96.9, 89.2, 37.0$ (Figure 11)

IR (KBr) $\nu = 700, 888, 1644, 1604, 2179, 2925, 3060 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

HRMS.. Calc for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}$; 219.0810, Obs. 219.0811 (Figure 12)

Ethyl 2-oxo-4-phenylbut-3-ynoate (Table 1, 2l) (Guo *et al.*, 2003)



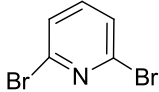
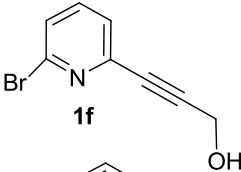
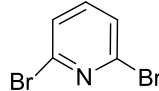
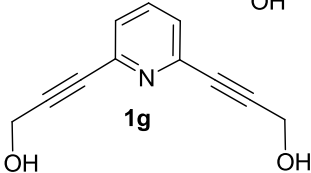
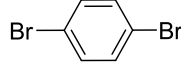
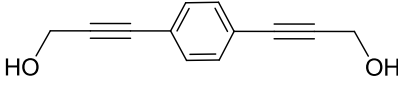
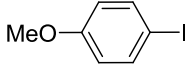
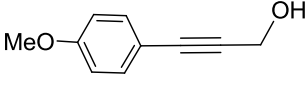
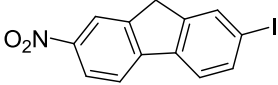
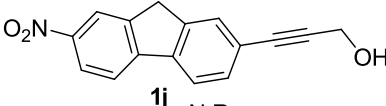
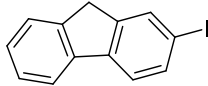
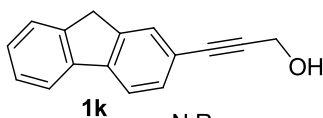
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS) $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.68\text{-}7.40(\text{m}, 5\text{H}), 4.12(\text{q}, J = 7.1, 7.1 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 1.43(\text{t}, J = 7.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H})$

^{13}C NMR(400 MHz, CDCl_3 , TMS) δ_{C} = 169.6, 159.2, 133.8, 131.8, 128.8, 119.1, 98.0, 87.2, 63.3, 14.0

IR (neat) ν cm^{-1} = 2179, 1722, 1626

HRMS. Calc for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$; 225.0528, Obs. 225.0531

Table 2 Synthesis of propargylic alcohols using Sonogashira coupling (Sonogashira *et al.*, 1975)

Entry	Substrate	Time (h)	Product	Isolated yield% ^a
1		4	 1f	61
2		4	 1g	72
3		4	 1h	65
4		4	 1i	55
5		12	 1j N.R	59
6		12	 1k N.R	40

^aAll the alcohols were confirmed by their spectral data ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, IR and HRMS
 N. R = Not Reported

(6-Bromopyridin-2-yl-ol) prop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1 and 2- 1f)

Colorless solid, mp. 68-70 °C

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, TMS, 400 MHz) δ_H = 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H). 7.50 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (s, 2H), (Figure 13)

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, TMS, 100 MHz) δ_C = 143.5, 141.9, 138.8, 128.0, 126.1, 89.9, 83.6, 51.4

IR: 3361, 3102, 3052, 1160, 1123, 901, 801, 771, 604 cm⁻¹ (Figure 14)

HRMS [M+H]⁺: Cal.209.9554, Obs. 209.9567 (C₈H₅NOBr)

3,3'-(pyridine-2,6-diyl)diprop- yn-1-ol (Table 1 and 2, 1g)

Colorless crystalline solid, mp, 120-124 °C

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, TMS, 400 MHz) δ_H = 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.96 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 4H) (Figure 15)

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, TMS, 100 MHz) δ_C = 142.5, 136.1, 125.5, 88.8, 82.7, 49.7 (Figure 16)

IR : 3341, 3138, 2858, 2234, 1578, 1562, 1445, 1346, 1251, 1223, 1163, 1085, 1057, 1030, 1011, 996, 978, 947, 805, 732 cm⁻¹

HRMS [M+H]⁺: Cal.188.0712, Obs. 188.0712 (C₁₁H₁₀NO₂) (Figure 17)

3,3'-(1,4-Phenylene)diprop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1 and 2, 1h) (Ye, *et. al.*, 2004)

Yellow colour solid, mp, 125-129 °C

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, TMS, 400 MHz) □ δ_H = 7.37-7.30 (m, 4H), 4.42-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.00 (bs, 2H)

¹³C NMR(CDCl₃, TMS, 100 MHz) □ δ_C = 131.5, 122.1, 90.8, 83.8, 50.0

IR: 3268, 2903, 2241, 1495, 1421, 1406, 1355, 1312, 1268, 1257, 1222, 1104, 1024, 994, 947, 837, 637 cm⁻¹

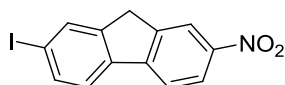
HRMS [M+H]⁺: Calc. 209.0578, Obs. 209.0584 (C₁₂H₁₀O₂Na)

3-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1 and 2, entry 1i) (Nowak-Krol *et. al.*, 2011)

Synthesis of 3-(7-nitro-9H-fluoren-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1, entry 1j)

(i) 2-iodo-7-nitro-9H-fluorene (Marhevka *et al.*, 1985) (Table 2, Entry 5)

A mixture of 2-nitro fluorene 1.6 g (7.5 mmol), glacial acetic acid (50 mL) and iodine 0.93 g (3.5 mmol) were stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. To the reaction mixture was added conc. H₂SO₄ (5 mL), sodium nitrate 0.55g (7.5 mmol) and refluxed for 30 min. The crude reaction mixture was poured into 100 g of ice, and the yellow solid was collected by filtration. The crude reaction mixture was recrystallized from glacial acetic acid to afford light yellow color solid in 45% (1.12 g) yield.

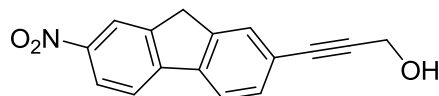


Solid, mp. 240-245 °C (reported 240-245 °C)

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , TMS, 400 MHz) δ_{H} = 8.38-7.43 (m, 6H), 4.03 (s, 2H)

(ii) 3-(7-nitro-9H-fluoren-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1, entry 1j) (Sonogashira *et al.*, 1975)

A mixture of bis(triphenylphosphine)-palladium(II)chloride (35 mg, 0.05 mmol), 2-iodo-7-nitro-9H-fluorene (505.5 mg, 1.5 mmol), copper iodide (20 mg, 0.1 mmol), dry triethylamine (20 mL), dry THF (20 mL) and propargylic alcohol (140 μL , 2.5 mmol) was stirred under an argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred for 12 h and then filtered through celite pad, solvent was distilled under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography using CHCl_3 to give yellow color crystalline solid **1j** in 59% yield.



Yellow color solid, mp: 200-205 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, TMS, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$,) δ_{H} = 8.39-7.46 (m, 6H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.39 (bs, 1H) (Figure 18)

^{13}C NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl_3) δ_{C} = 145.3, 144.9, 143.2, 142.6, 137.4, 129.0, 126.5, 121.4, 121.3, 119.8, 118.9, 118.6, 89.0, 82.3, 48.3, 34.9 (Figure 19)

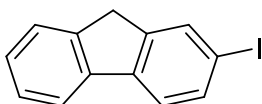
IR (KBr) ν = 3485, 2927, 2856, 2216, 2241, 1619, 1587, 1508 cm^{-1}

HRMS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: Calc. 266.0817, Obs. 266.0812 ($\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$) (Figure 20)

Synthesis of 3-(9H-fluoren-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-ol (Table 1, entry 1k)

(i) 2-iodo-9H-fluorene (Lee *et al.*, 2001)

Fluorene 2g (12 mmol) was dissolved in 20 mL of boiling solvent ($\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} : \text{H}_2\text{O} : \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 = 16 : 3 : 0.1$) (50 mL) with mechanical stirrer, followed by cooling to 60-65 °C, added periodic acid dihydrate (0.46 g, 2 mmol) and iodine 1.02 g (4 mmol). After 4 h the elemental iodine was almost disappeared and precipitate was formed. Upon cooling, the pale yellow solid was collected by filtration and washed with 2N aqueous Na_2CO_3 and water. The crude product was recrystallized from hexane to give a white crystalline solid in 2.14 g, 61%.

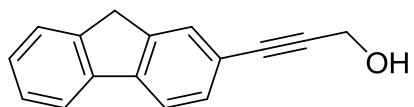


2-iodo-9H-fluorene

Solid, mp : 122-127 °C, reported 120-121 °C (Lee *et al.*, 2001)

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , TMS, 400 MHz) δ_{H} = 7.88-7.31 (m, 7H), 3.88 (s, 2H)

(9H-fluoren-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-ol 1k (Sonogashira *et al.*, 1975)



Solid, mp: 148-150 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl₃) δ_H = 7.78-7.30 (m, 7H), 4.53 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H) (Figure 21)

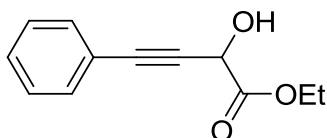
¹³C NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl₃) δ_C = 143.5, 143.1, 142.1, 141.0, 130.5, 127.2, 128.2, 126.9, 125.07, 120.5, 120.2, 119.7, 87.1, 86.4, 51.8, 29.7 (Figure 22)

IR (neat) ν = 3335, 3045, 2903, 2219, 1485, 1450, 1419, 1393, 1340, 1220, 1194, 1176, 1150, 1020, 996 cm⁻¹

HRMS [M+Na]⁺: Calc. 243.0786, Obs. 243.0787 (C₁₆H₁₂O Na) (Figure 23)

Synthesis of 1-ethoxy-1-hydroxy-4-phenylbut-3-yn-2-one (Table 1, entry 12, 1i) (Tanaka *et al.*, 2007)

An oven-dried 50 mL two neck round bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirrer bar and a teflon stopcock was evacuated while hot and allowed to cool under argon. The round bottom flask was charged in order with CuI (10.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), triethylamine (0.28 mL, 2 mmol), and THF (5 mL). Once a colorless clear solution formed, the alkyne (1 mmol) and monoxyalyl chloride (2 mmol) were added and the reaction was allowed to proceed at room temperature. When the reaction was complete, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (5 mL) and diethyl ether (20 mL) were added. The reaction system was allowed to partition, and the organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to give in 85% yield.



Pale yellow liquid

¹H NMR (400 MHz, TMS, CDCl₃) δ_H = 7.46 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 3H), 5.06 (s, 1H), 4.36 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.36 (t, *J* = 7.2, 3H)

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, TMS, CDCl₃) δ_C = 170.3, 131.8, 128.8, 128.2, 121.8, 85.3, 84.2, 62.8, 61.9, 14.0

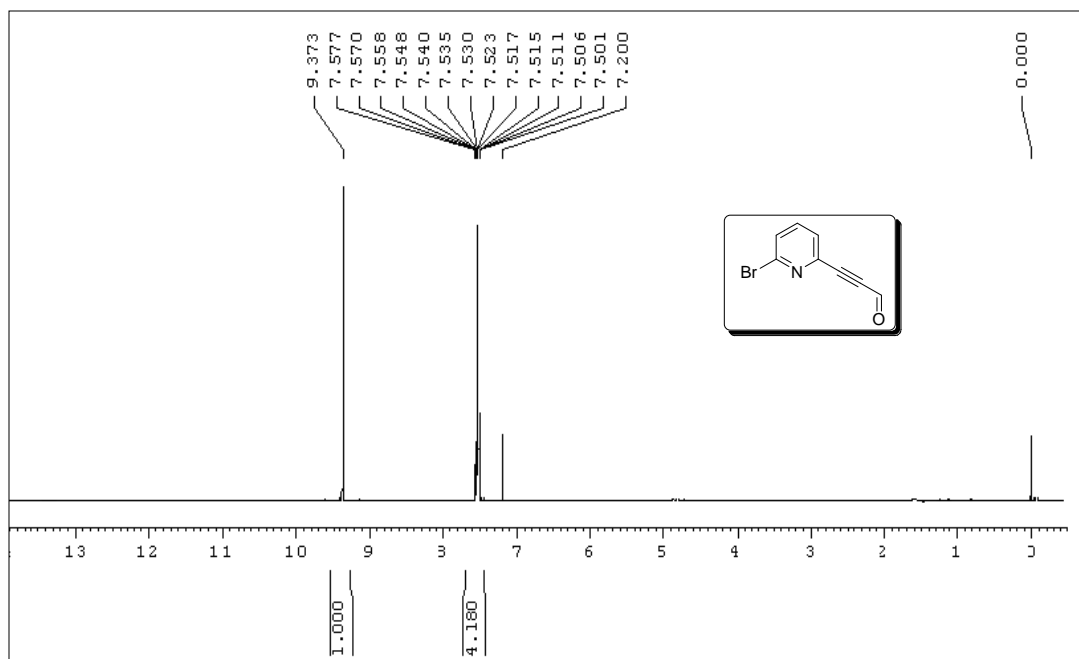


Figure 1: ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **2f** in CDCl_3

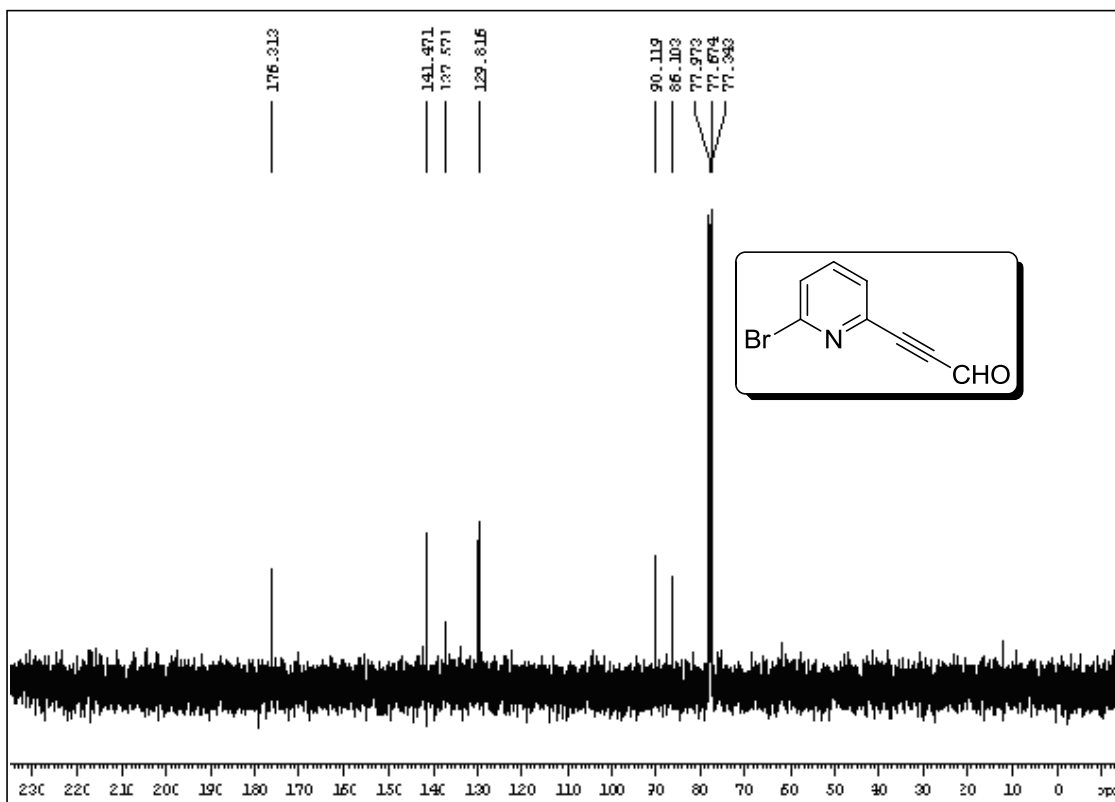


Figure 2: ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **2f** in CDCl_3

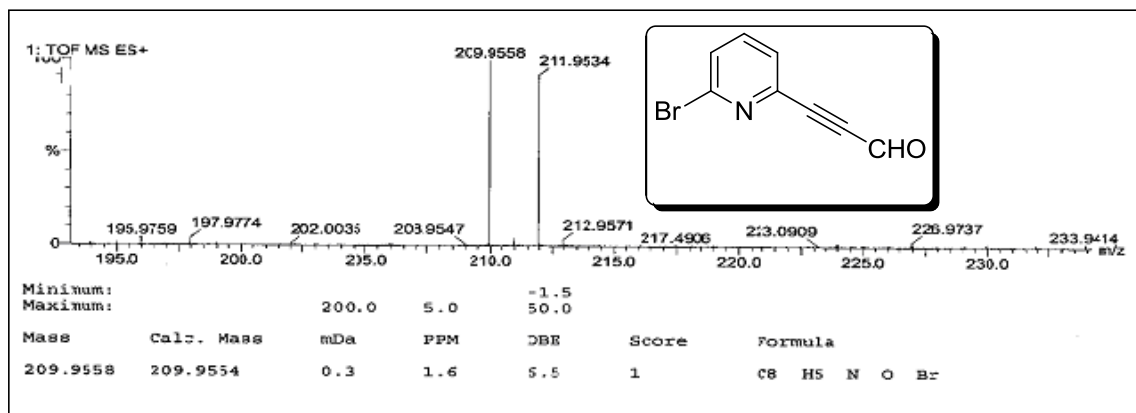


Figure 3 HRMS spectrum of compound **2f**

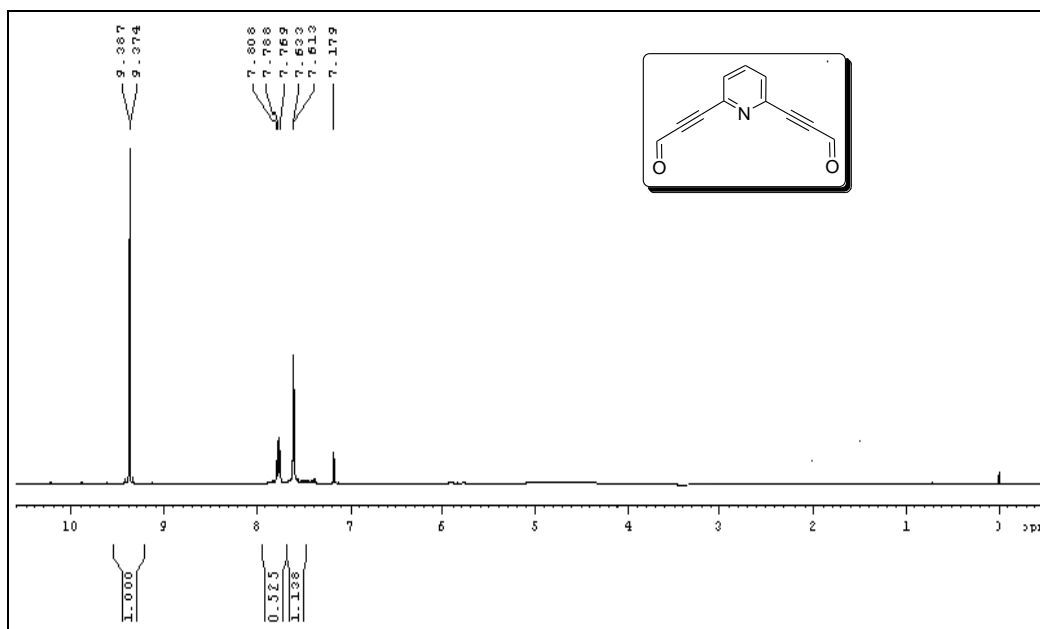


Figure 4: ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **2g** in CDCl_3

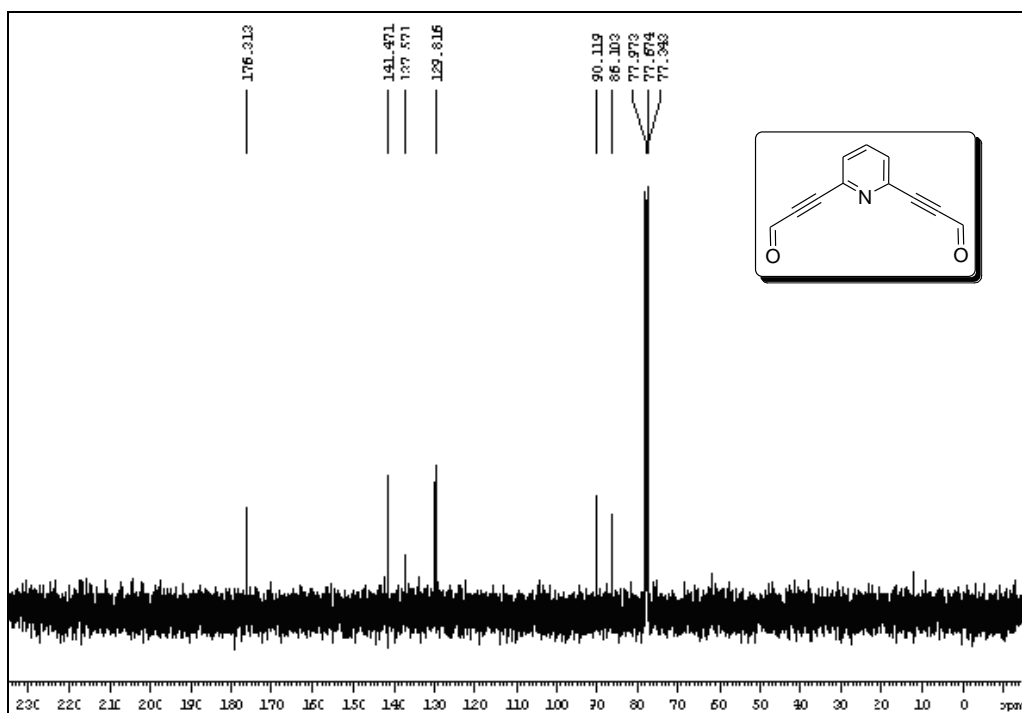


Figure 5: ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **2g** in CDCl_3

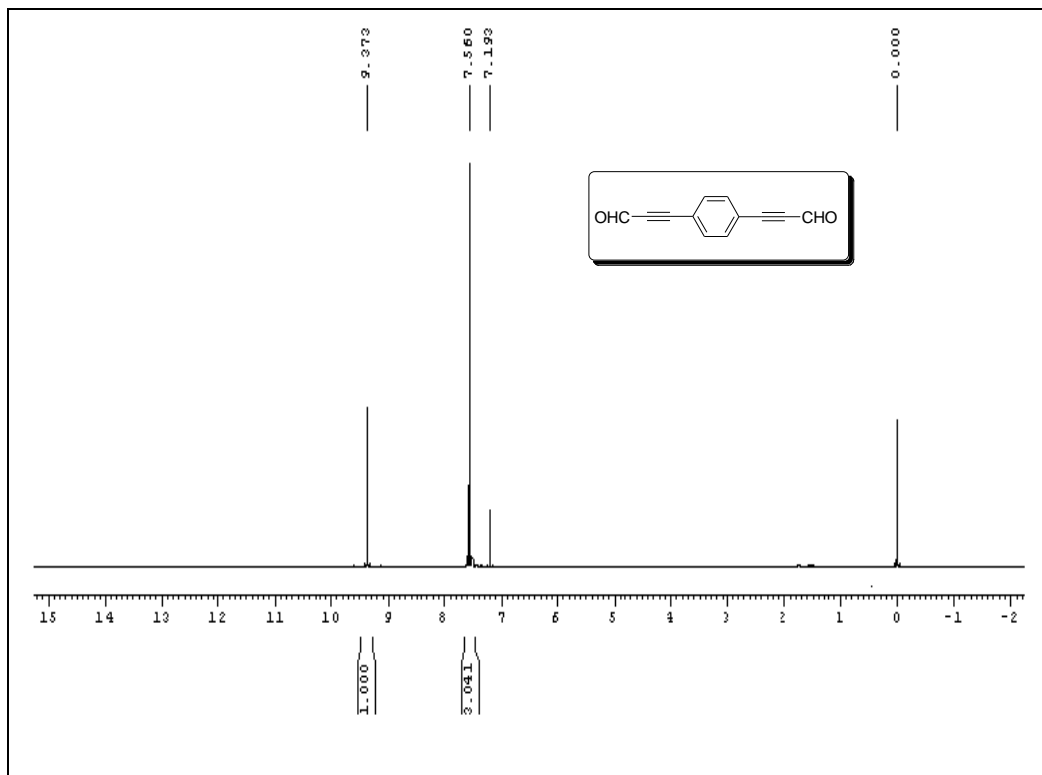


Figure 6: ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **2h** in CDCl_3

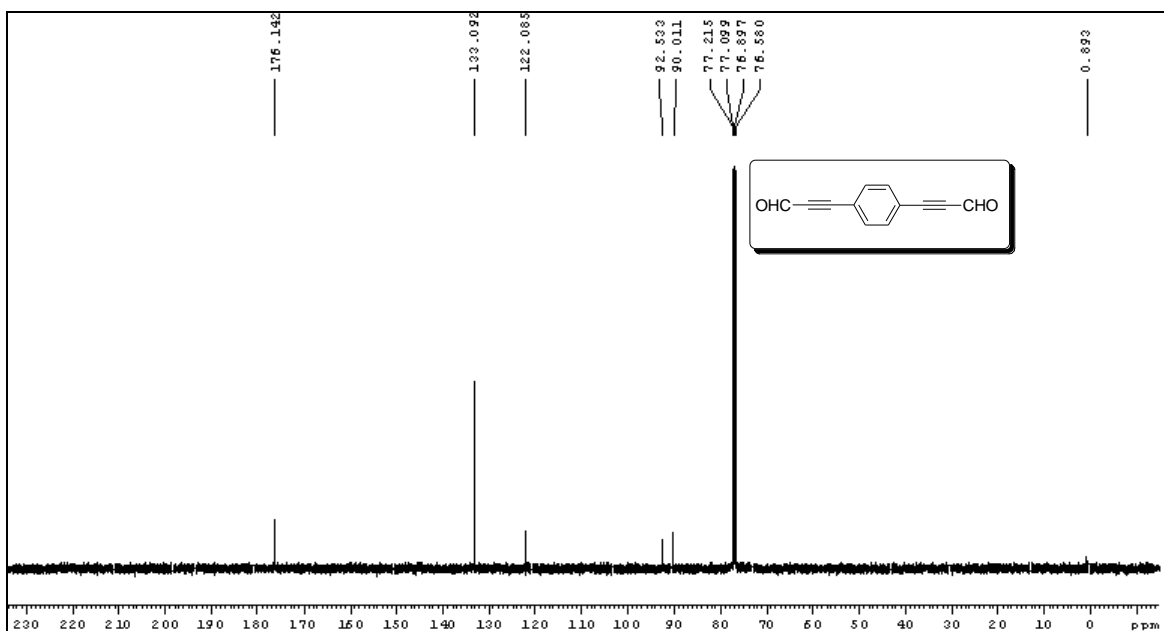


Figure 7: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **2h** in CDCl₃

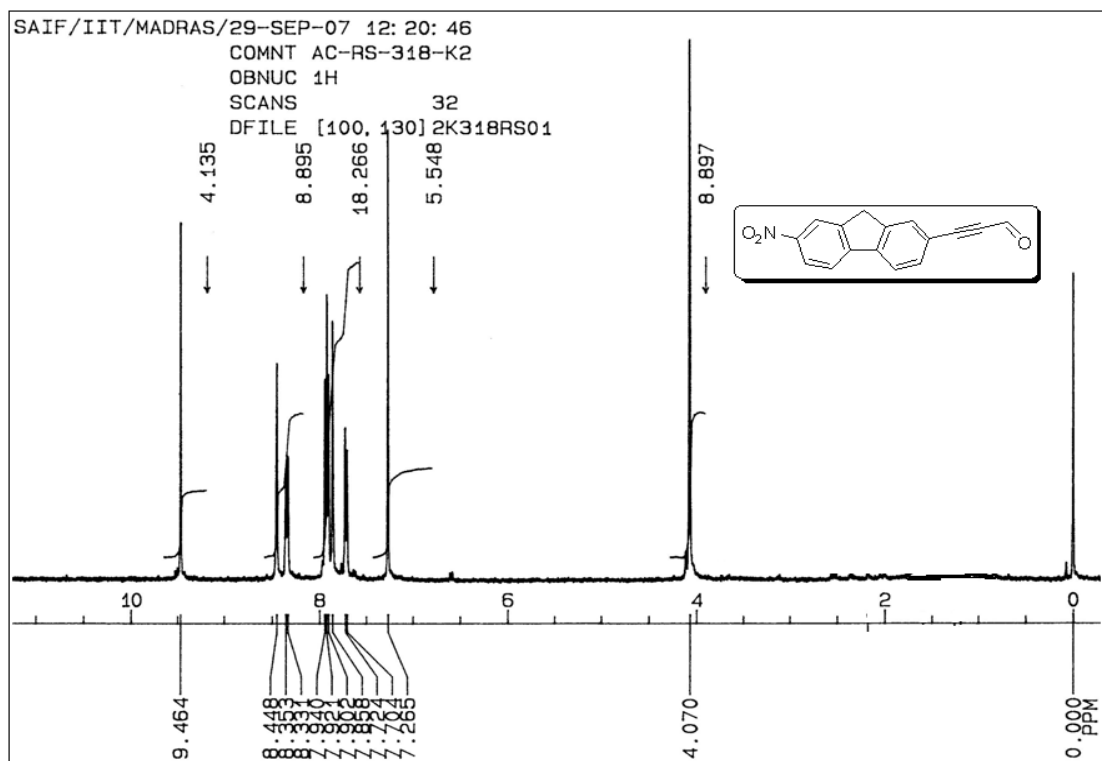


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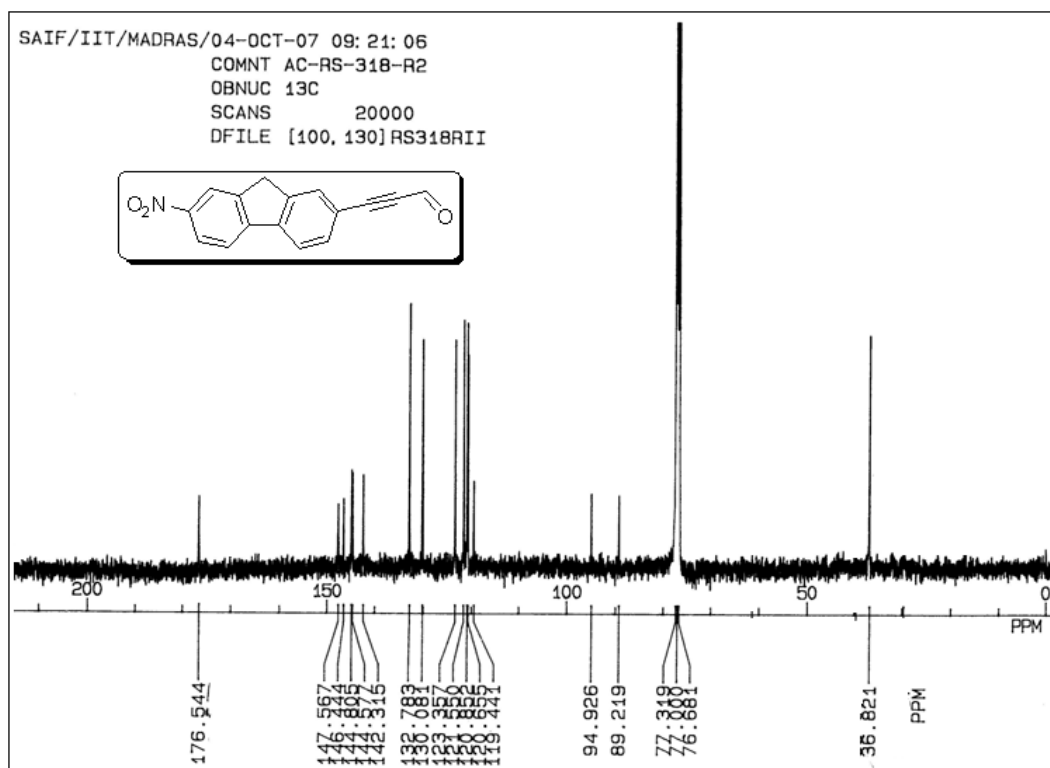


Figure 9: ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **2j** in CDCl_3

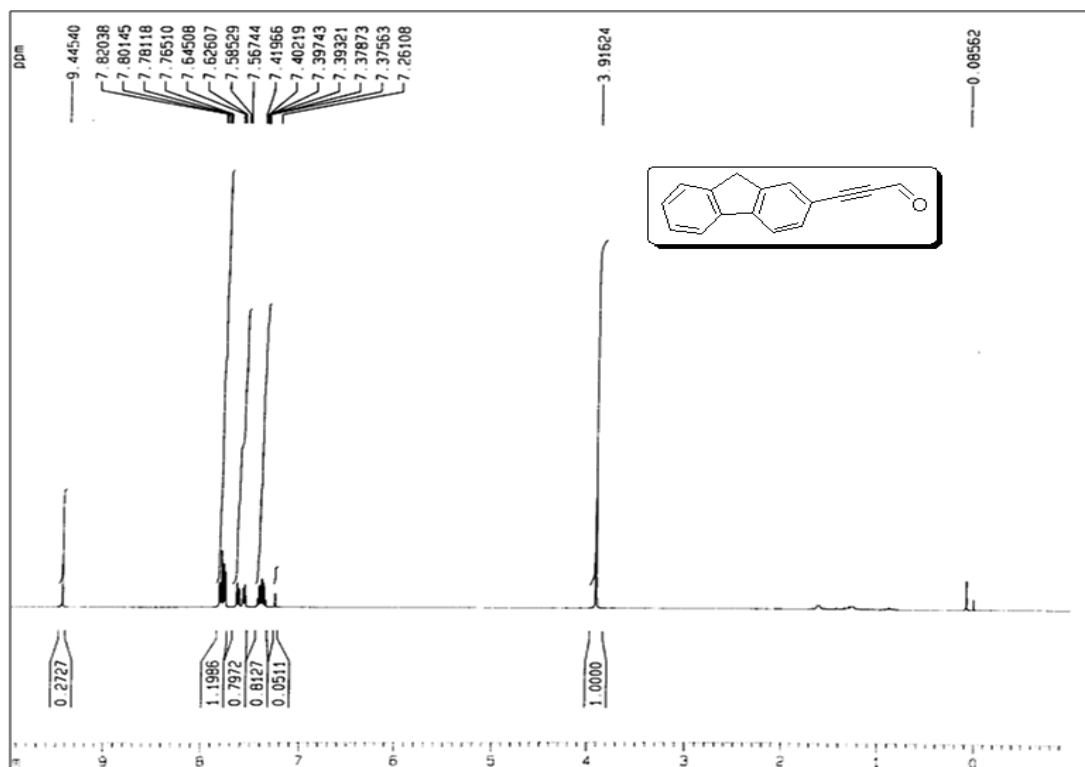


Figure 10: ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **2k** in CDCl_3

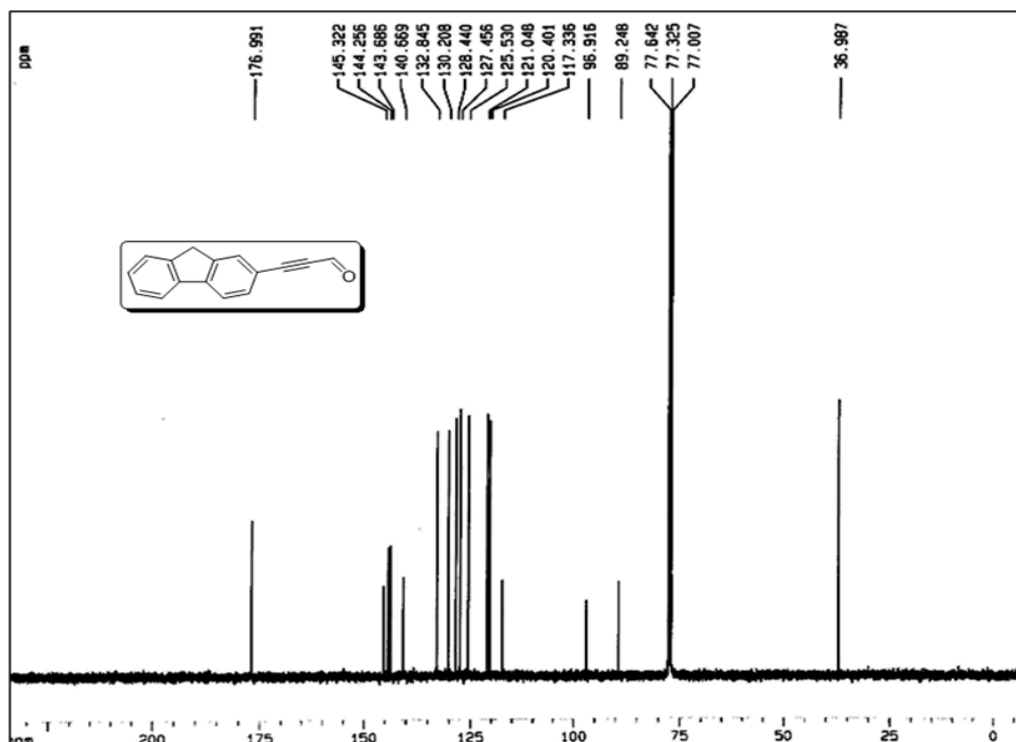


Figure 11 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **2k** in CDCl_3

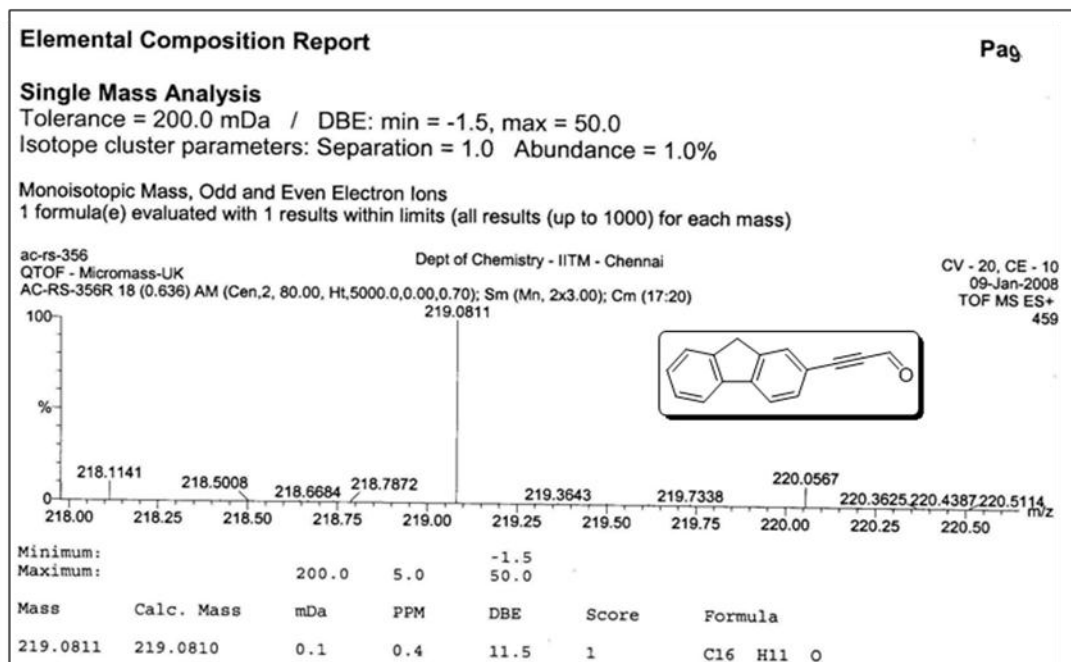


Figure 12 HRMS spectrum of compound **2k**

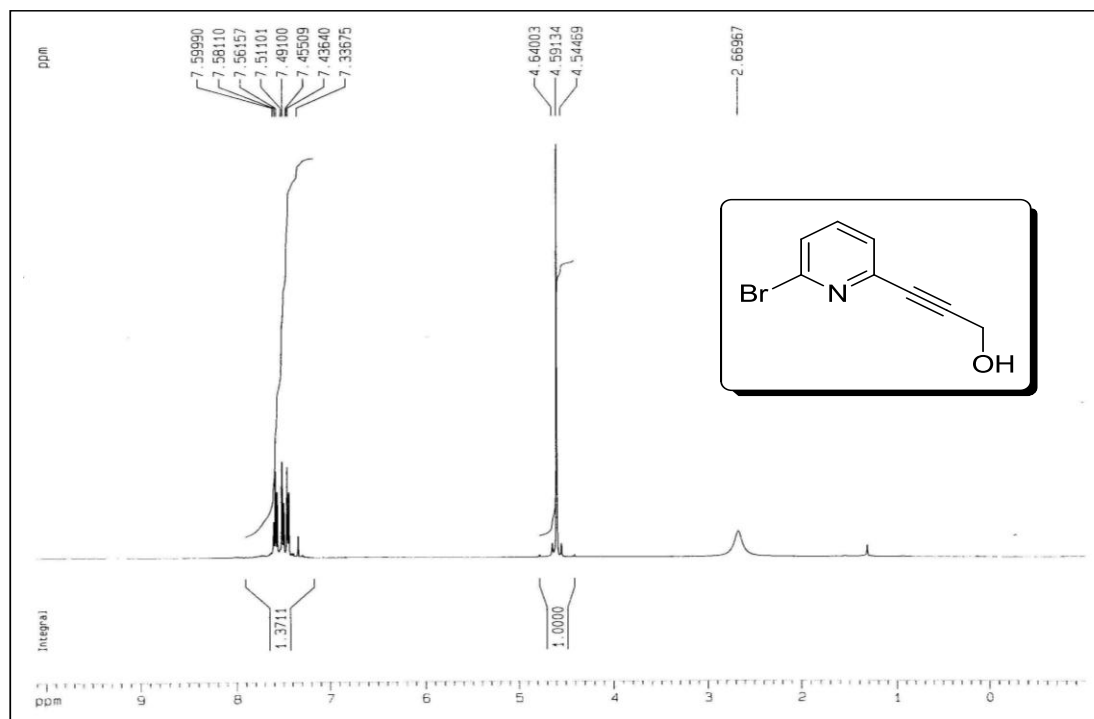


Figure 13 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **1f** in CDCl_3

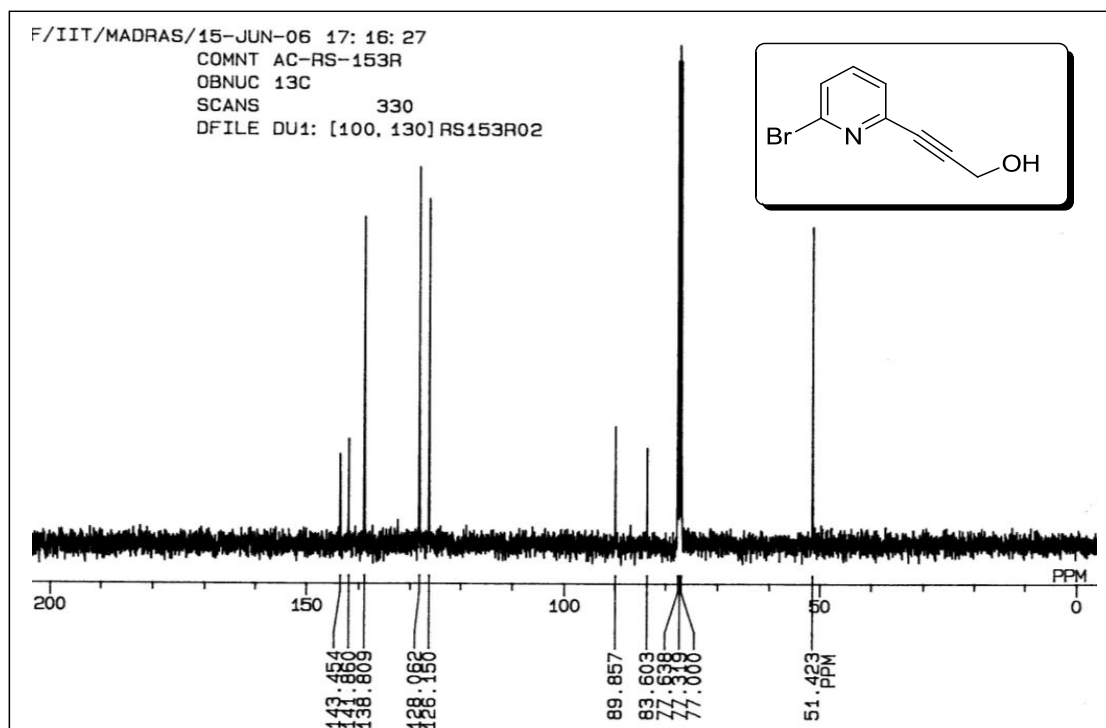


Figure 14 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **7d** in CDCl_3

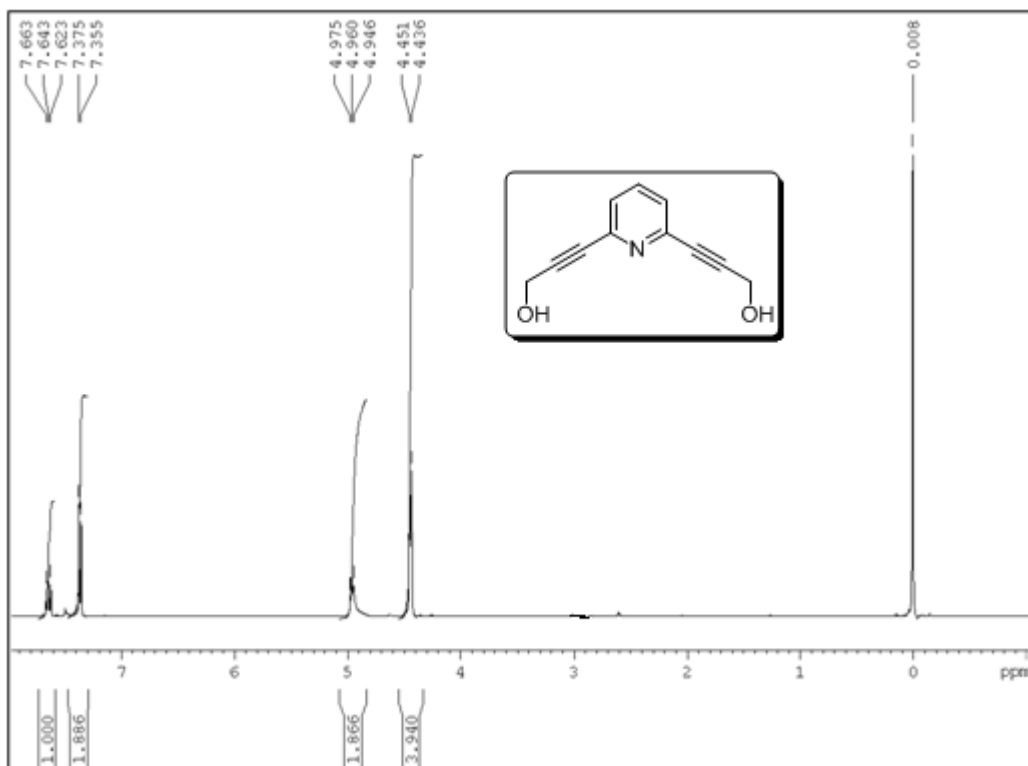


Figure 15 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **1g** in CDCl_3

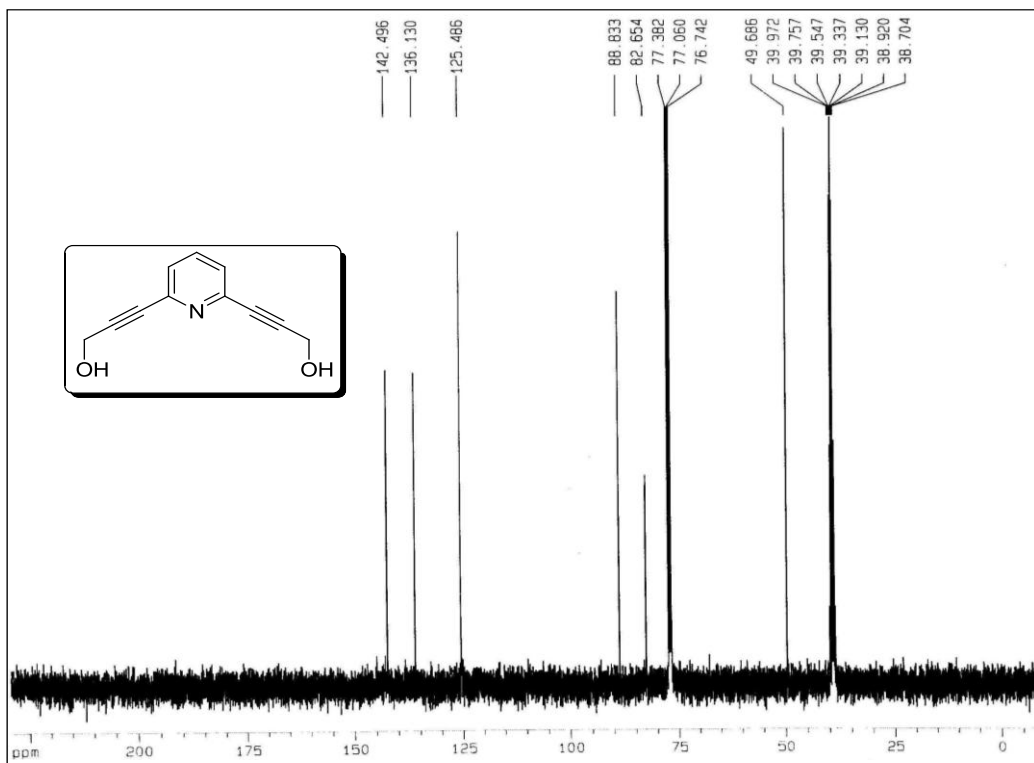


Figure 16 ^{13}C NMR of compound **1g** in CDCl_3

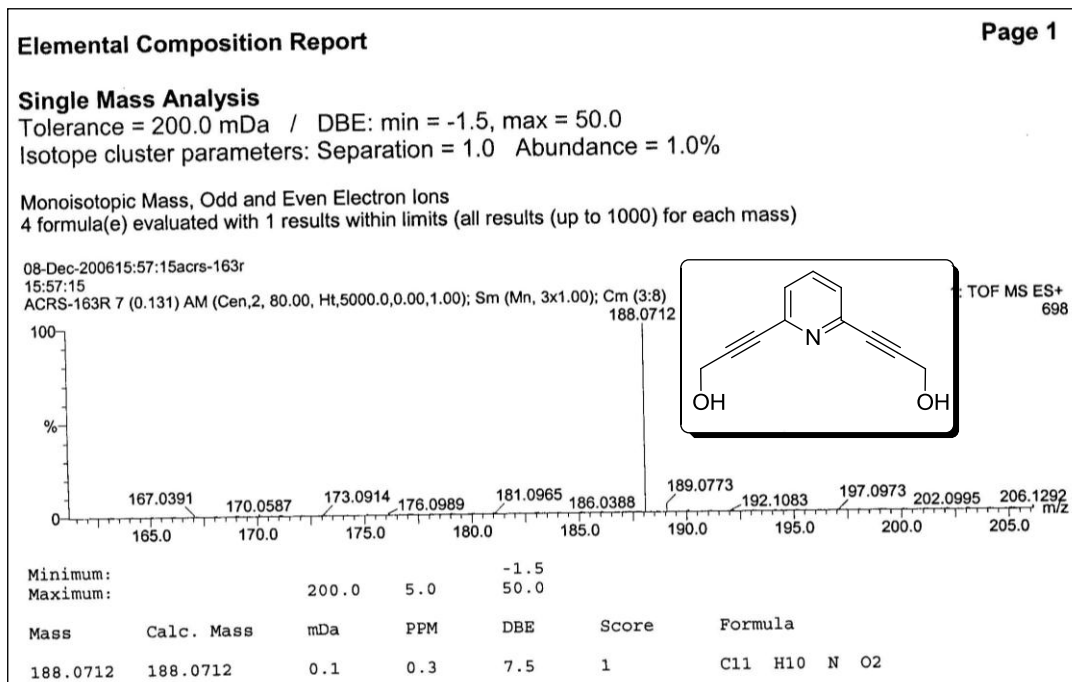


Figure 17 HRMS spectrum of compound **1g**

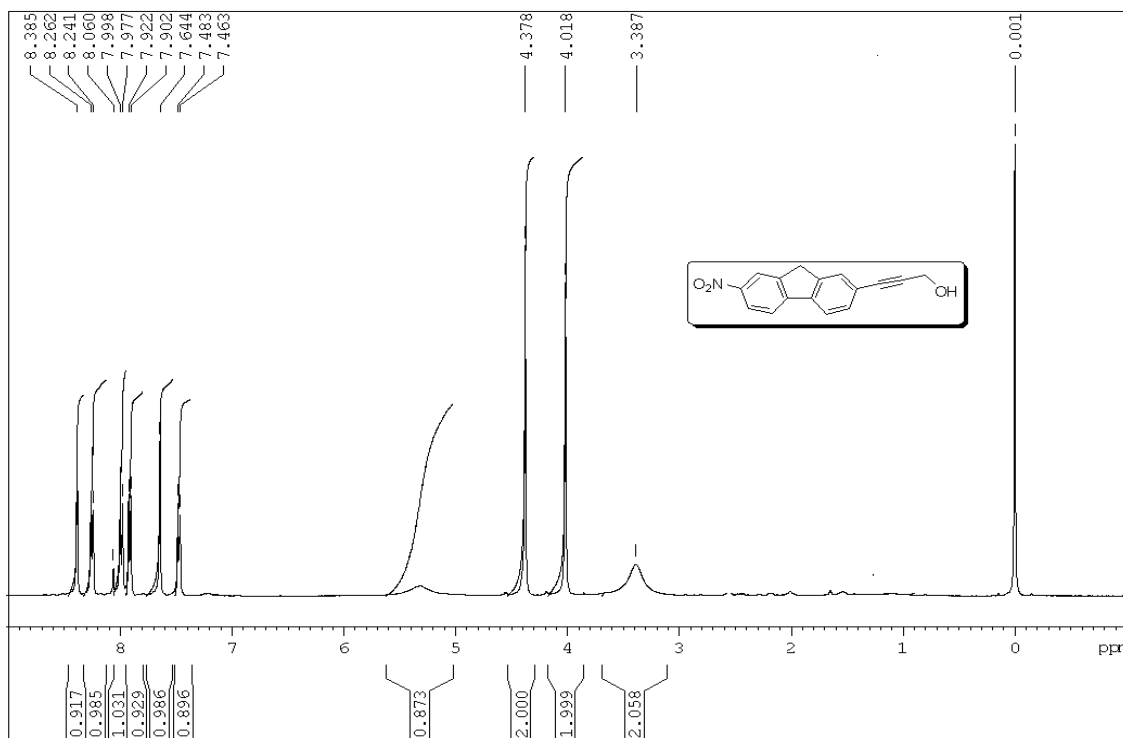


Figure 18 ^1H NMR spectrum of **1j** in CDCl_3

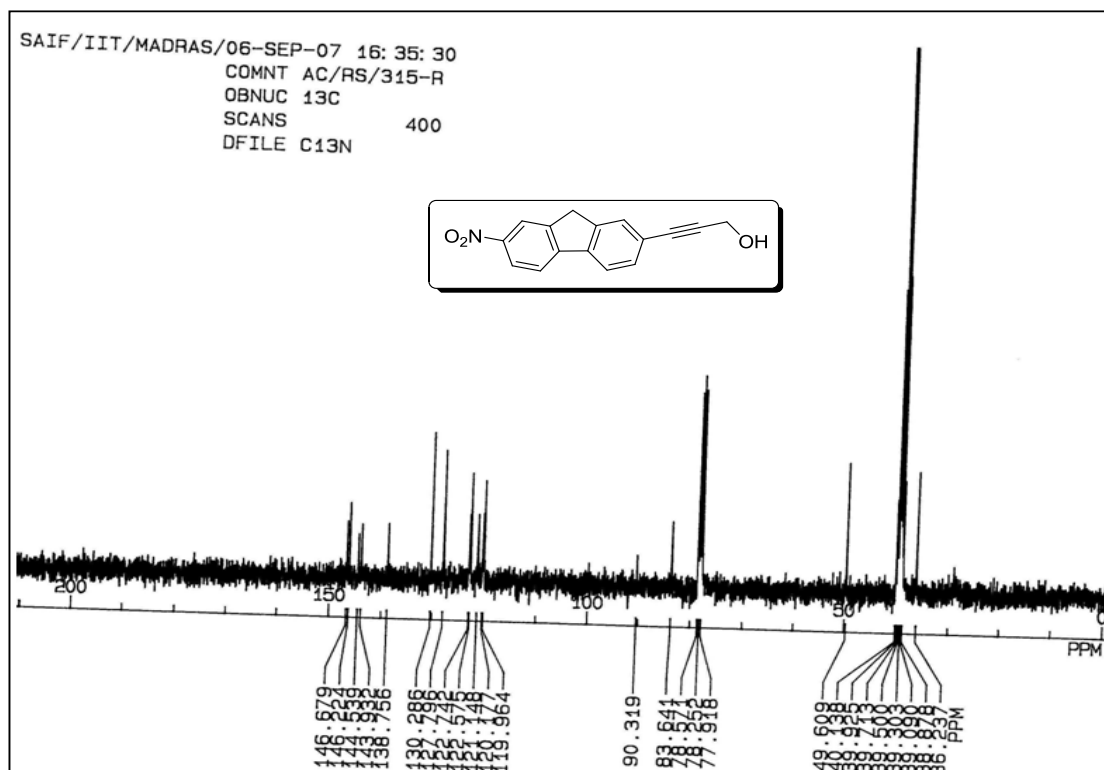


Figure 19 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **1j** in CDCl_3

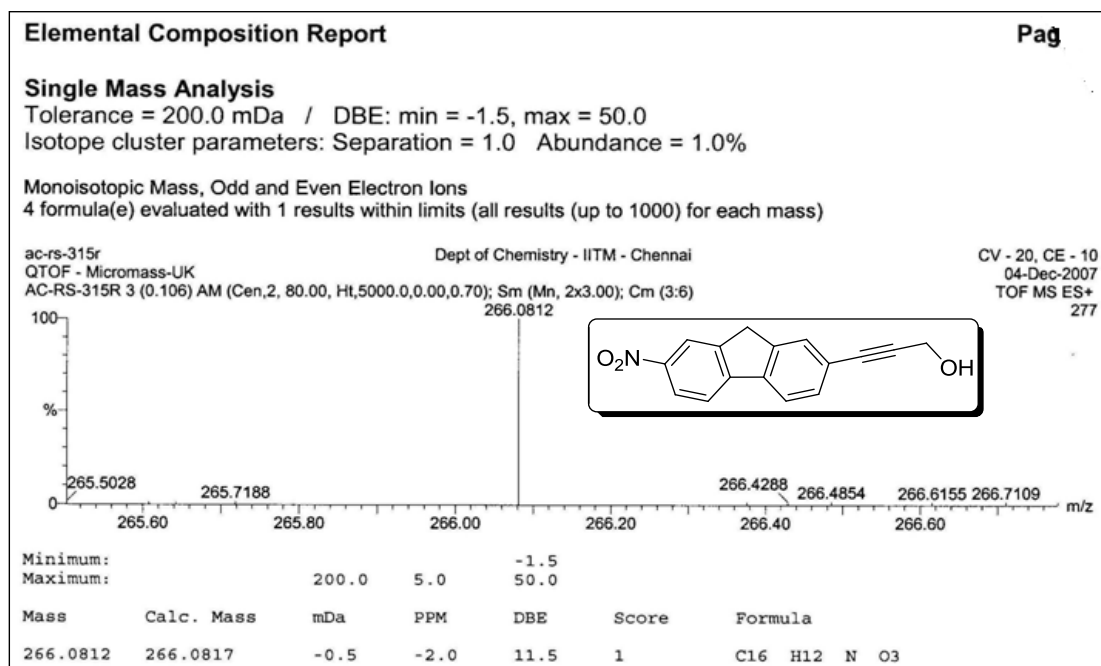


Figure 20 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **1j** in CDCl_3

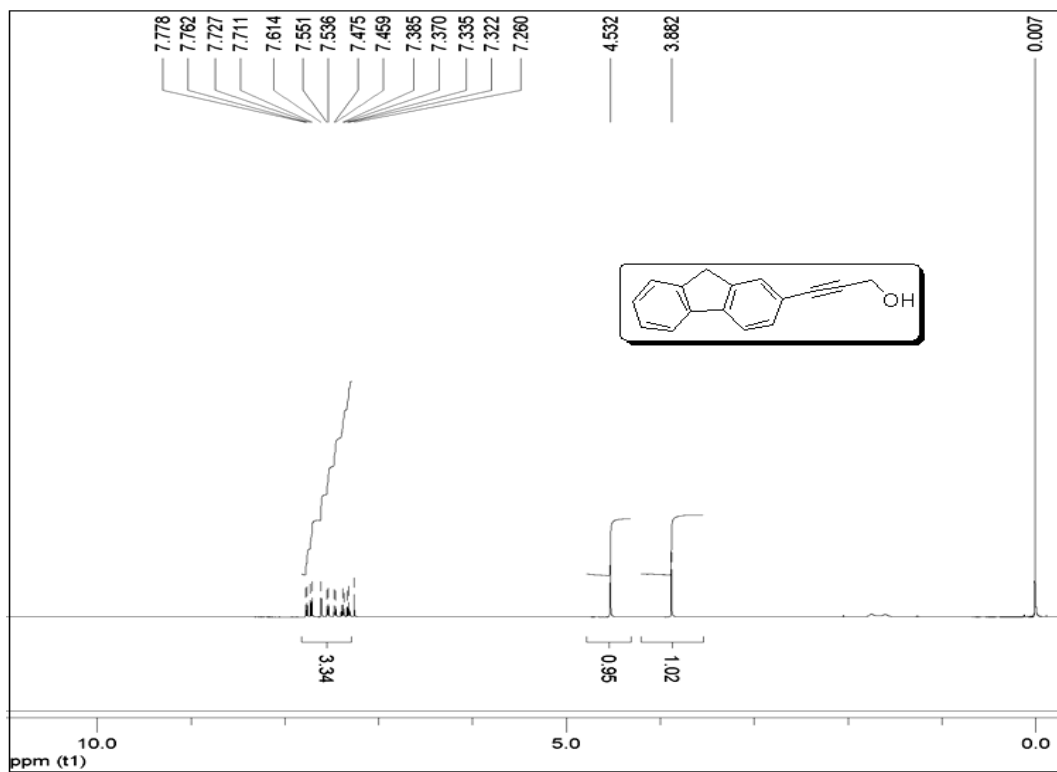


Figure 21 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **1k** in CDCl_3

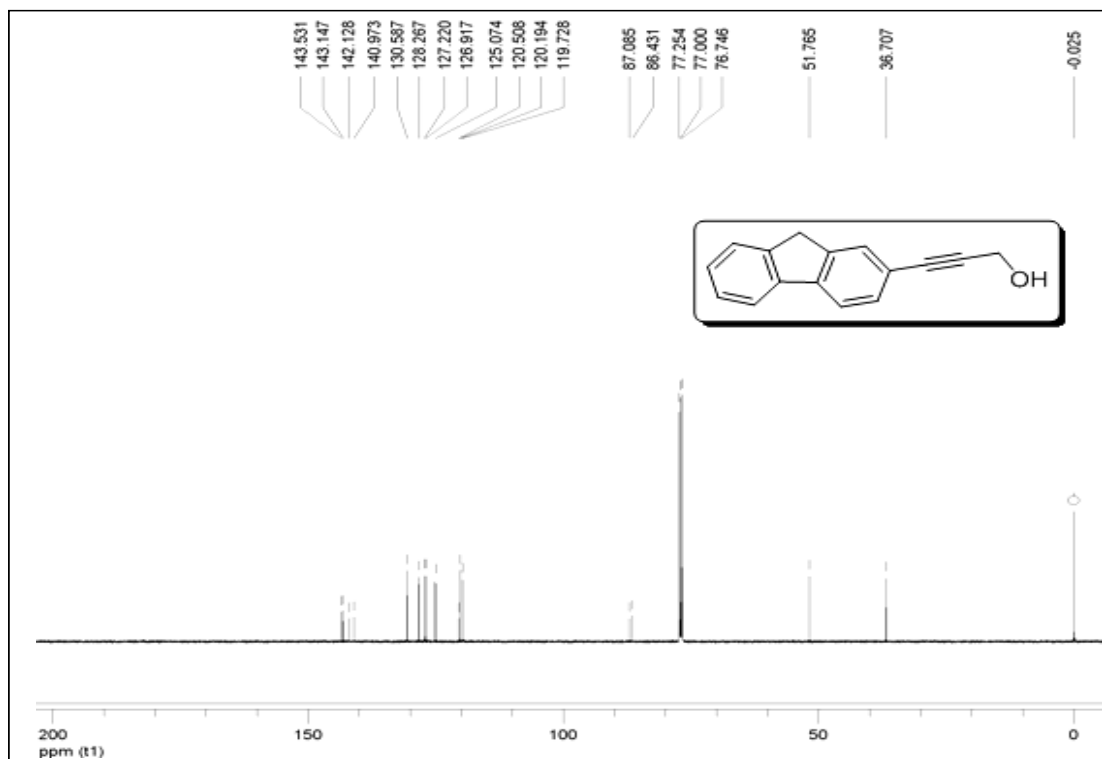


Figure 22 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **1k** in CDCl_3

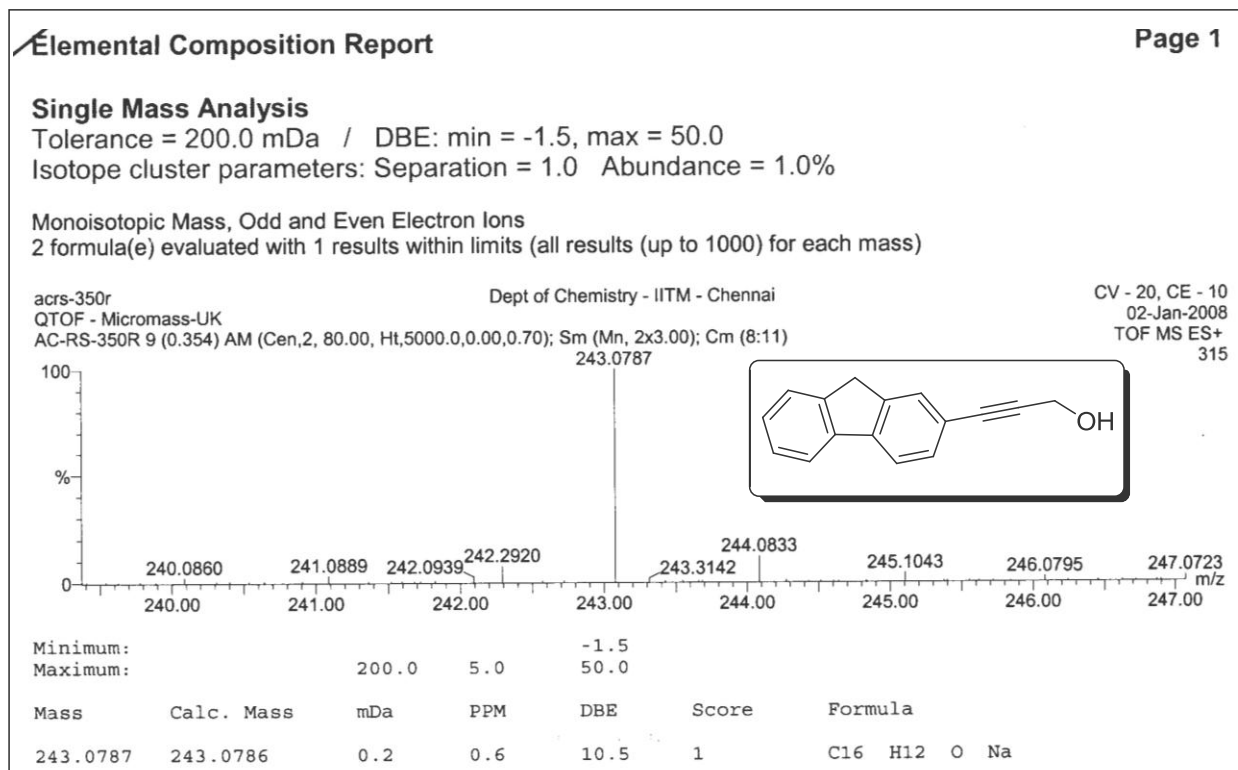


Figure 23 HRMS spectrum of compound **1k**

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