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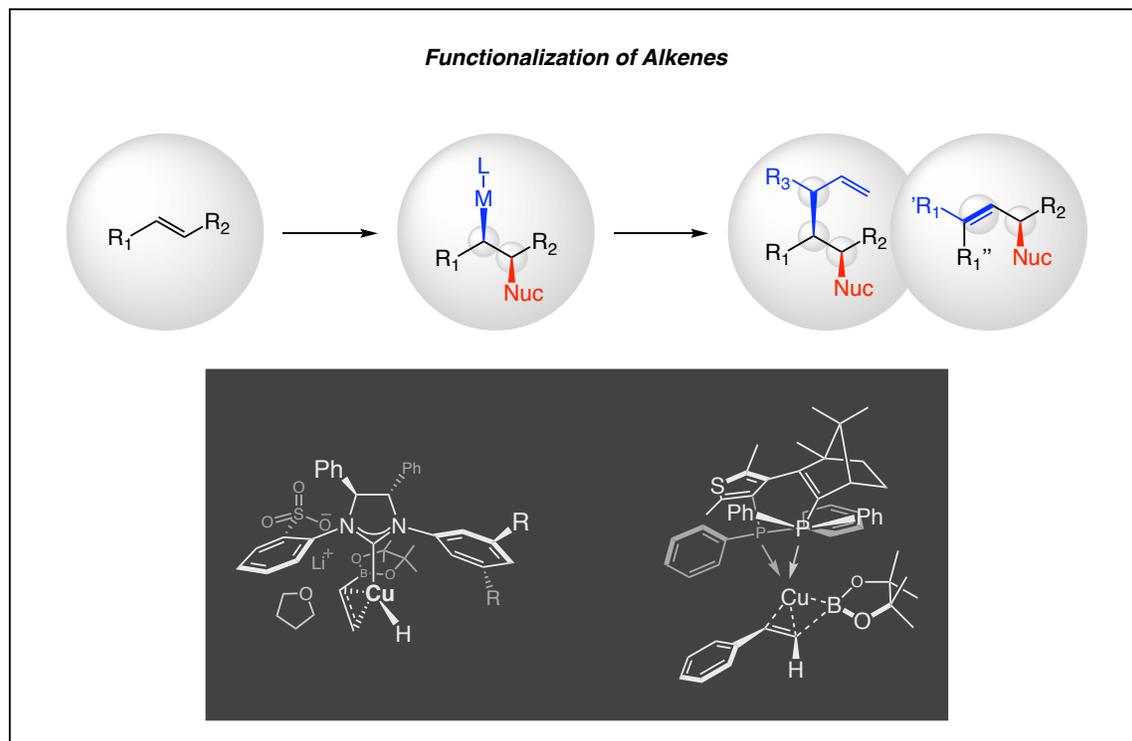
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Abstract



■ Chapter 1

Mechanism-Based Enhancement of Scope and Enantioselectivity for Reactions Involving a Copper-Substituted Stereogenic Carbon Center:

Organoborons are important building blocks of complex natural products, functional materials, and pharmaceutically relevant compounds due to their prevalent utility in C–C and C–hetero atom bond transformations. Using a readily accessible copper catalyst, we have developed highly site- and enantioselective allylic substitution by way of a three-component, single-vessel, and sustainable catalytic protocol. Detailed mechanistic studies revealed valuable insights which led us to develop copper–boron and copper–hydride additions to olefins with broader substrate scope, higher efficiency, and higher enantioselectivity. In addition, the method can be applied to the synthesis of biologically active molecules such as preclamol and heliespirone A and C.

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■ Chapter 2

Versatile Homoallylic Boronates by Chemo-, S_N2' -, Diastereo- and Enantioselective Catalytic Sequence of Cu–H Addition to Vinyl-B(pin)/Allylic Substitution:

To achieve an efficient multicomponent reaction, high chemoselectivity between a starting material and a reagent must be accomplished during the first catalytic transformation to generate an intermediate which then selectively reacts with another substrate to furnish the product in a site-, and/or stereoselective fashion. Development and application of efficient multicomponent reactions involving allylic substitution can provide alternative solutions for difficult

synthetic problems in organic chemistry. Our group has developed a sulfonate-containing chiral NHC–Cu catalyzed chemo-, S_N2' -, diastereo-, and enantioselective multicomponent reaction through Cu–H addition to readily available vinyl–B(pin) followed by allylic substitution to deliver homoallylic boronates. The derived homoallylic alcohols can be used as building blocks of biologically active molecules.

Publication: [Lee, J.](#); Torker, S.; Hoveyda, A. H. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2017**, *56*, 821–826.

■ Chapter 3

Enantioenriched Halogen-Substituted Alkenes through NHC–Cu-Catalyzed Borylation/Dehalogenation and Their Applications:

Because of their unique properties, mono- and difluoroalkenes have received attention as an important class of compounds as building blocks for fluorine-containing monomers for functional polymers and biologically active molecules in medicine and agriculture. However, reported methods to prepare enantioenriched difluoroalkenes are scarce and often require undesirable amounts of precious transition metals and very high/low temperatures. To solve these challenges, we have developed a highly efficient, regio-, and enantioselective boron allylic substitution to CF_3 -alkenes and other halogen-substituted olefins by using an abundant copper-based catalyst.

Work in Progress: [Lee, J.](#); [Lee, K.](#); [Koh, M.](#); Hoveyda, A. H.

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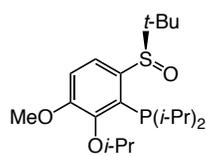
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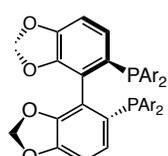
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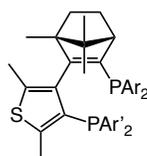


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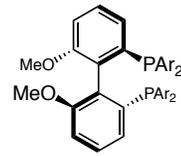
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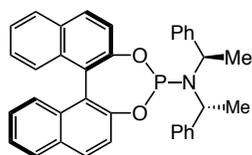
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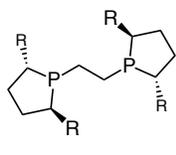


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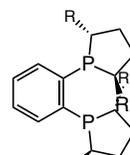
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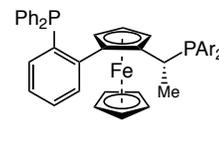
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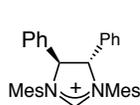


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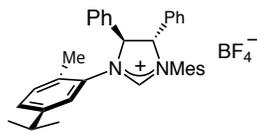


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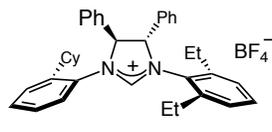
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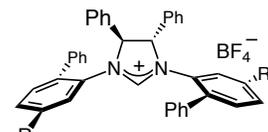
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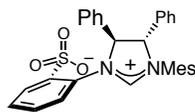
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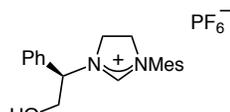
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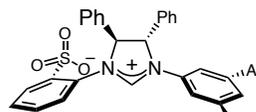
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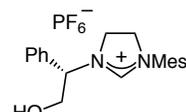


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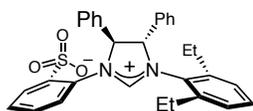


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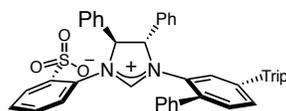
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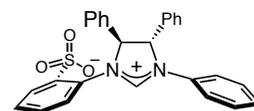
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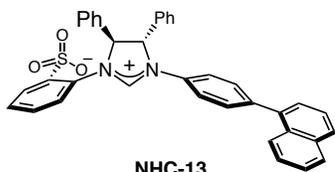
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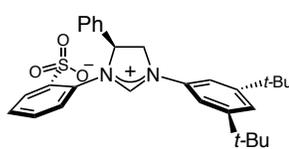
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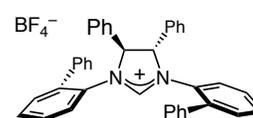
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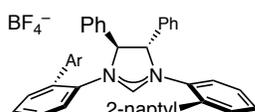
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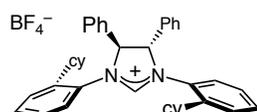
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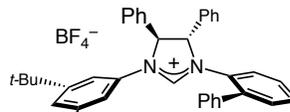
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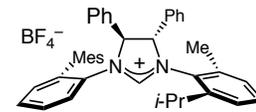
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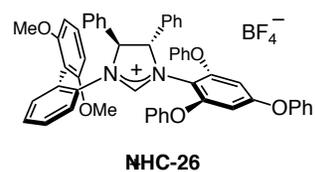
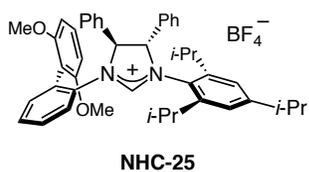
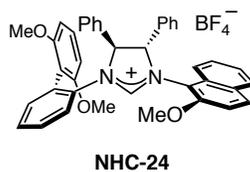
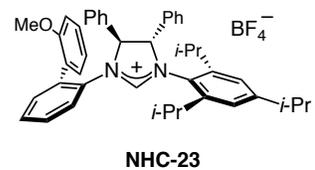
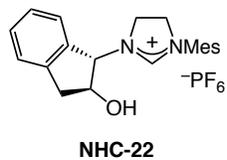
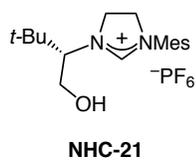
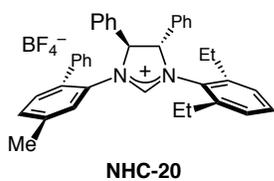
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CHAPTER 1

Mechanism-Based Enhancement of Scope and Enantioselectivity for Reactions Involving a Copper-Substituted Stereogenic Carbon Center

1.1 Introduction

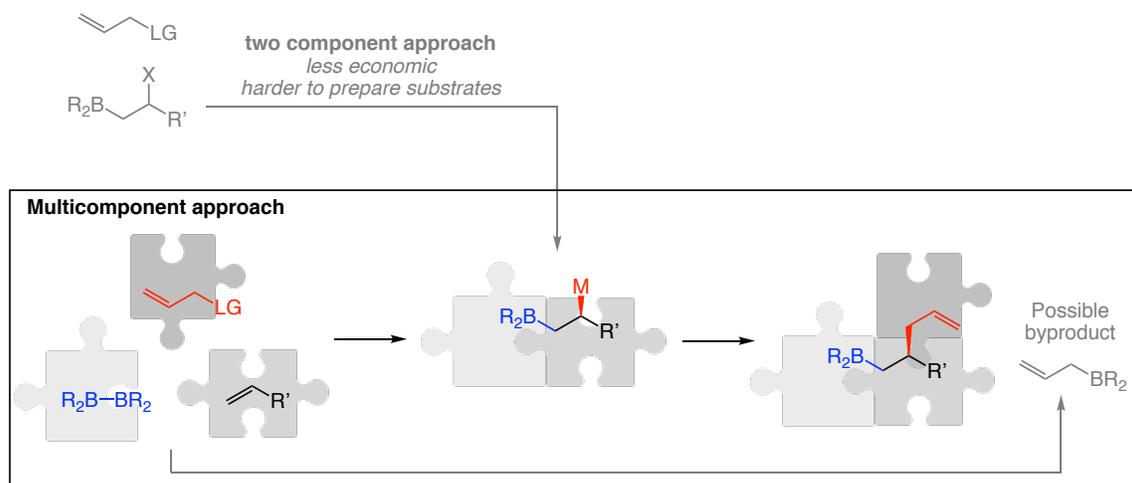
In chemical synthesis, development of highly efficient and stereoselective C–C bond formations is in high demand and, in this regard, allylic substitution reactions have proven to be a powerful approach.¹ Since multicomponent reaction strategies have contributed to stereoselective construction of complex natural products,² an enantioselective allylic substitution reaction through a multicomponent approach is fundamentally important and synthetically very interesting. To achieve high selectivities in multicomponent reactions, high chemoselectivity between a starting material and a reagent must occur during the first catalytic transformation. Moreover, the first reaction intermediate has to selectively react with a second substrate to generate site, and/or stereoselective complex products (Scheme 1.1). Through the utilization of a multicomponent approach in stereoselective allylic substitution, we aim to provide

(1) For reviews of catalytic enantioselective allylic substitution (EAS) reactions with “hard” organometallic nucleophiles see: (a) Hoveyda, A. H.; Hird, A. W.; Kacprzyński, M. A. *Chem. Commun.* **2004**, *16*, 1779–1785. (b) Yorimitsu, H.; Oshima, K. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2005**, *44*, 4435–4439. (c) Alexakis, A.; Bäckvall, J. -E.; Krause, N.; Pàmies, O.; Diéguez, M. *Chem. Rev.* **2008**, *108*, 2796–2823.

(2) For a review on multicomponent catalytic reactions see: Touré, B. B.; Hall, D. G. *Chem Rev.* **2009**, *109*, 4439–4486.

alternative solutions for difficult synthetic problems in organic chemistry. Herein, we

Scheme 1.1. Challenge of Multicomponent Reaction with Readily Available Substrates



X, halogen; LG, leaving group; M, transition metal; R, alkoxy; R' aryl and heteroaryl

report the development of a highly site- and enantioselective allylic substitution by way of a three-component, single-vessel, and sustainable catalytic protocol.

1.2 Background

In organic synthesis, organoborons are important building blocks for complex natural products, functional materials, and pharmaceutically important compounds because of their significant utility in C–C and C–heteroatom bond forming reactions.³ Recent studies of copper catalyzed stereoselective catalytic proto- and hydroboration reactions with $B_2(\text{pin})_2$ ⁴ and $HB(\text{pin})$ ⁵ (pin, pinacolato) opened the gate to surpass the limitations of previous synthetic methods and achieve new creative disconnections. However, a number of problems still remained until we understood the mechanistic details of Cu–H and/or Cu–B(pin) addition to alkenes followed by addition to various

(3) For reviews on functionalizations of organoboron compounds see: (a) Brown, H. C.; Singaram, B. *Pure & Appl. Chem.* **1987**, *59*, 879–894. (b) Brown, H. C.; Singaram, B. *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1988**, *21*, 287–293. (c) Miyaura, N.; Suzuki, A. *Chem. Rev.* **1995**, *95*, 2457–2483. (d) Miyaura, N. *Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn.* **2008**, *81*, 1535–1553.

(4) Lee, Y.; Hoveyda, A. H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2009**, *131*, 3160–3161.

(5) Noh, D.; Chea, H.; Ju, J.; Yun, J. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2009**, *48*, 6062–6064.

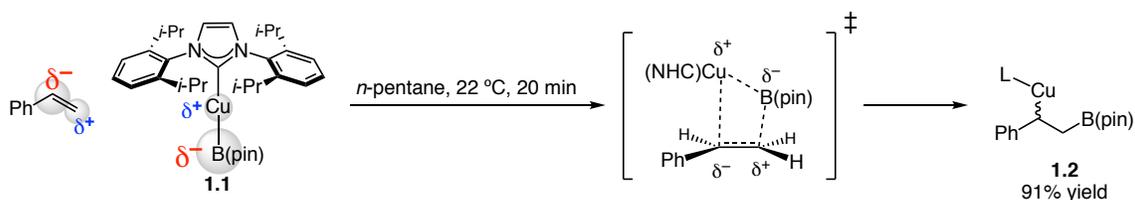
electrophiles.

1.2.1 Initial Study of Enantioselective Cu–B(pin) Addition to Alkene

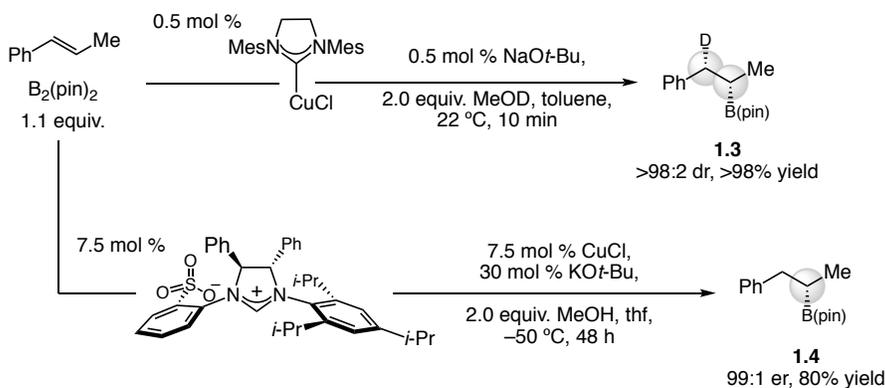
In 2006, Sadighi and coworkers reported the first copper–boron addition to styrene with stoichiometric amounts of NHC–Cu–B(pin) complex **1.1** (Scheme 1.2).⁶ The high regioselectivity of the reaction comes from the electronic match between styrene and the copper complex. The electron-rich benzylic carbon readily adds to the Lewis acidic

Scheme 1.2. First Examples of Cu–B(pin) Addition to Alkene

2006 (ref. 6): First stoichiometric Cu–B(pin) Addition to Alkene



2009 (ref. 4): First Example of Catalytic Stereoselective Cu–B(pin) Addition to Alkene



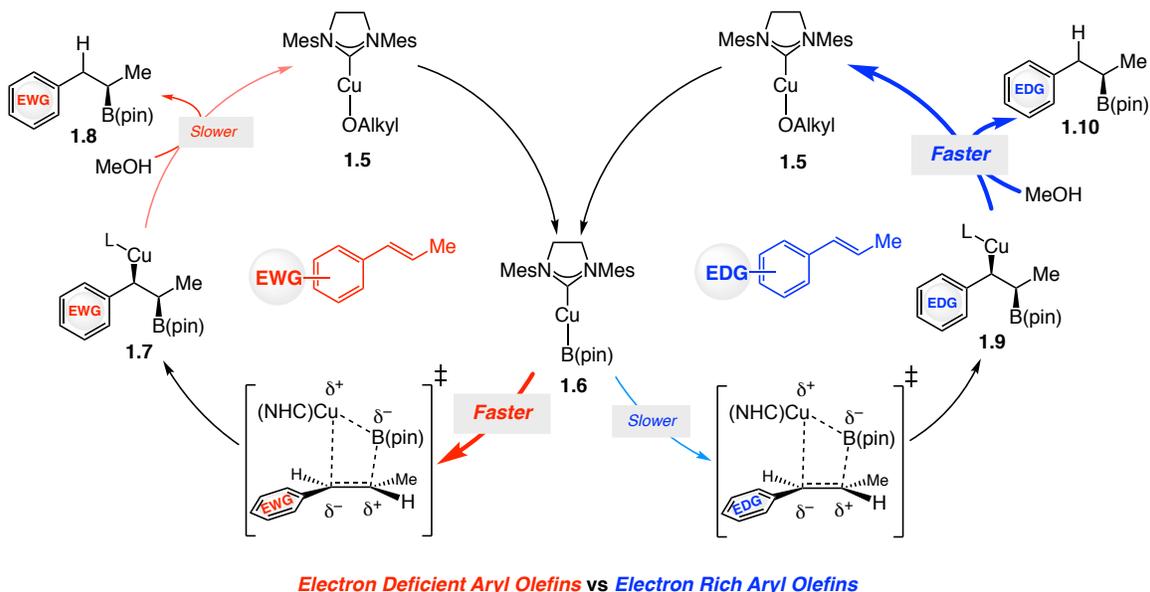
L, ligand; Mes, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl; pin, pinacolato

copper, and the electron-rich boron adds to the electron-deficient homobenzylic carbon. Two years later, our group reported the first catalytic, diastereo-, and enantioselective protoboration with chiral sulfonate-containing NHC ligands.⁴ In the presence of MeOH, the nucleophilic organocopper complex can readily add to the proton electrophile to generate the desired product. The notable study with deuterated methanol (MeOD) has

(6) Laitar, D. S.; Tsui, E. Y.; Sadighi, J. P. *Organometallics* **2006**, 25, 2405–2408.

shown that the copper–boron addition step is exclusively *syn*-selective (**1.3**, >98:2 dr, Scheme 1.2) which means that the high diastereo- and enantioselectivity comes from the initial copper–carbon stereochemistry after copper–boron addition to alkenes. Another

Scheme 1.3. Rate of Catalytic Cycle with Electron Deficient and Rich Aryl Olefins



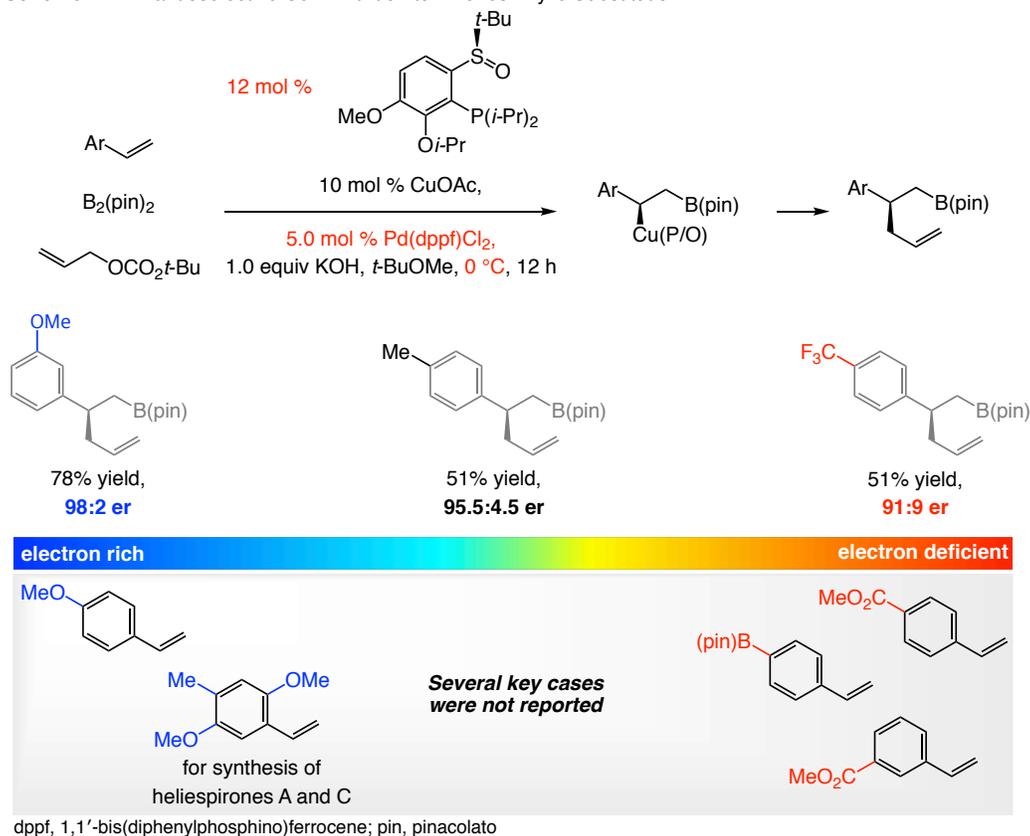
EWG, electron withdrawing group; EDG electron donating group; L, ligand; pin, pinacolato

mechanistically interesting point in this reaction is that the rate of the reaction depends on the electrophilicity of substrate and the nucleophilicity of the generated organocopper species (Scheme 1.3). Since the NHC–copper–boron complex **1.6** is a nucleophilic species, generation of the organocopper complex would be much faster with more electrophilic substrate (e.g., **1.6** → **1.7** is much faster than **1.6** → **1.9**). However, the subsequent protonation of complex **1.7** would be much slower since it is less nucleophilic compared to complex **1.9**. During this process, the final enantiomeric ratio depends on how stereoselectively the organocopper species (**1.7** or **1.9**) is formed and by what mechanism the addition to the electrophile occurs.

1.2.2 Multicomponent Reactions with Copper–Boron/Hydride Complexes and Their Limitations

After the first catalytic, diastereo-, and enantioselective protoboration was developed,⁴ a large number of studies with copper-substituted stereogenic carbon centers were rapidly carried out. Although there are numerous reports and notable advances were made, a lot of fundamentally important problems remained to be unsolved. In 2015, a dual-catalyst protocol for net allyl-boron addition to aryl alkenes was developed by Liao and coworkers.⁷ Although high enantioselectivity was achieved with electronically neutral aryl olefins, several key cases were not reported with electron-rich aryl olefins and

Scheme 1.4. Enantioselective Cu–B Addition to Alkenes/Allylic Substitution

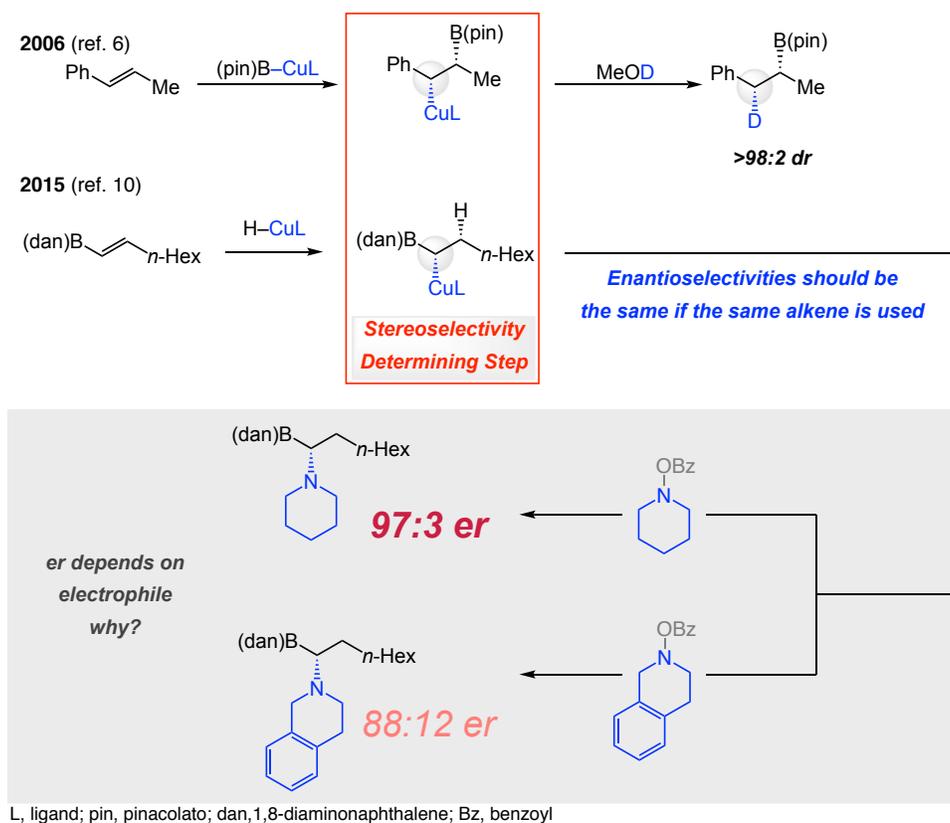


electron-deficient aryl olefins besides *para*-CF₃ styrene (Scheme 1.4). In addition,

(7) Jia, T.; Cao, P.; Wang, B.; Lou, Y.; Yin, X.; Wang, M.; Liao, J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 13760–13763.

hindered electrophiles such as 2-substituted allyl carbonates, which are known to react slowly in the alkylation step, were also not examined in this study. We also found that a number of different enantioselective copper–boron or copper–hydride additions to electron-deficient aryl olefins (for example, halo-, trifluoromethyl-, or ester-substituted) are either not mentioned^{5,8} or provide less stereoselective⁹ products. Until the detailed

Scheme 1.5. Enantioselectivity Fluctuation by Changing Electrophile



mechanistic studies of Cu–B(pin) and Cu–H complexes from the Hoveyda laboratory, it

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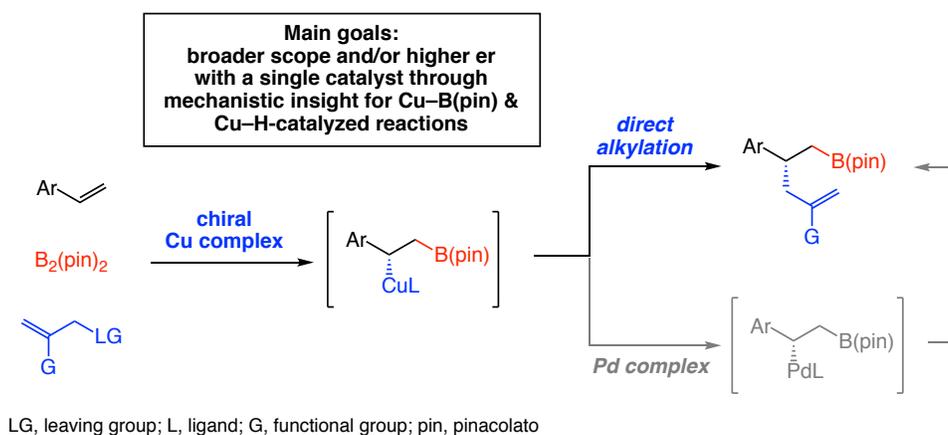
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was not certain why enantioselectivity is lower with some alkenes. It was also not clear why enantioselectivity depends on the electrophile, despite the fact that the Cu–B(pin)/Cu–H addition step is stereochemistry-determining (97:3 vs 88:12 er, Scheme 1.5).¹⁰ A recent Cu–H addition to alkene study surmised^{9b} that some kinetic enantioselectivity might be lost if an organocopper intermediate were to react slowly, whereas rapid trapping, for example with higher electrophile concentration, could improve enantioselectivity. However, the lack of examples with strongly electron-rich and electron-deficient alkenes still stimulated our curiosities, and the study of enantiomeric purity variations when utilizing different electrophiles was also required.

1.3 Catalytic Enantioselective Boron-Allyl Additions to Aryl and Heteroaryl Olefins

The main goal of the enantioselective allyl-boron addition that our laboratory intended to develop was avoiding the use of a precious metal, low temperatures, and high ligand loading (e.g., Pd, 0 °C, and 12 mol % ligand). In addition, we aimed to

Scheme 1.6. Key Questions Regarding Multicomponent Catalytic Processes Involving a Cu-Substituted Stereogenic Center



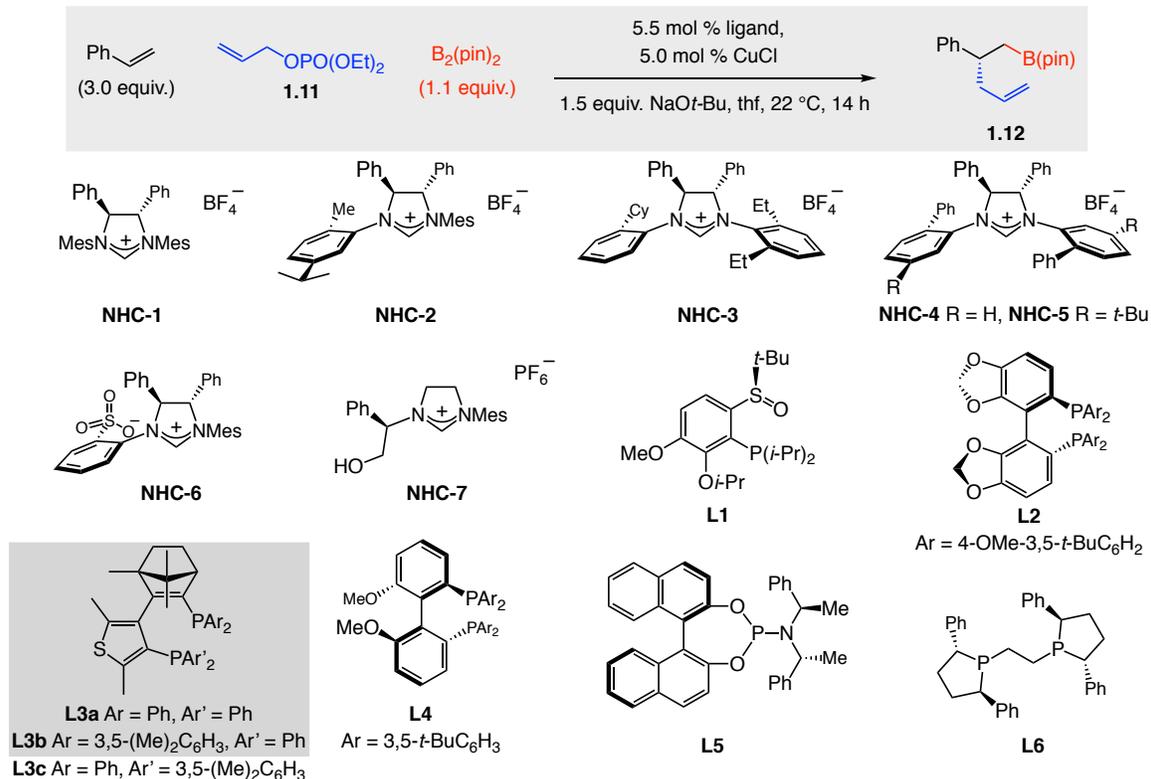
minimize enantioselectivity fluctuations by using a single Cu-based complex with larger functional group compatibility (Scheme 1.6).

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1.3.1 Identification of an Effective Enantioselective Cu-Based Catalyst

To identify an appropriate chiral catalyst, we used the transformation shown in

Table 1.1. Examination of Different Types of Cu Complexes^a



Entry	Ligand	Conv. (%)§	Yield (%)§§	er†
1	NHC-1	94	41	56:44
2	NHC-2	40	25	58:42
3	NHC-3	>98	78	56:44
4	NHC-4	80	71	61:39
5	NHC-5	35	25	17:83
6	NHC-6	44	<2 [only allyl-B(pin)]	NA
7	NHC-7	>98	<2 [only allyl-B(pin)]	NA
8	L1	15	6	9:91
9	L2	66	<2 [only allyl-B(pin)]	NA
10	L3a	>98	67	95:5
11	L3b	94	51	94:6
12	L3c	>98	62	20:80
13	L4	86	11	51:49
14	L5	39	11	55:45
15	L6	>98	22	55:45

^a Reactions were performed under N_2 atmosphere. § Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (1.11) and determined by analysis of the ^1H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be $<\pm 2\%$. §§ Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be $<\pm 5\%$. † Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $<\pm 1\%$. See the Experimental section for details. NA, not applicable; Mes, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl; pin, pinacolato.

Table 1.1. NHC ligands and most phosphines were ineffective and nonselective (e.g., entry 1–9 and 13–15, Table 1.1). The exceptions were **L3a** and **L3b**,¹¹ the use of which led to the formation of **1.12** in 95:5 and 94:6 er, respectively. Although, in this particular instance the er was slightly lower compared to when the Cu/Pd system⁷ was used (95:5 compared to 97.5:2.5 er), ligand loading was lower (5.5 mol % as opposed to 17 mol %) and room temperature sufficed (rather than 0 °C). In addition, our main goal was to expand the scope of the method through improved knowledge of the mechanistic details.

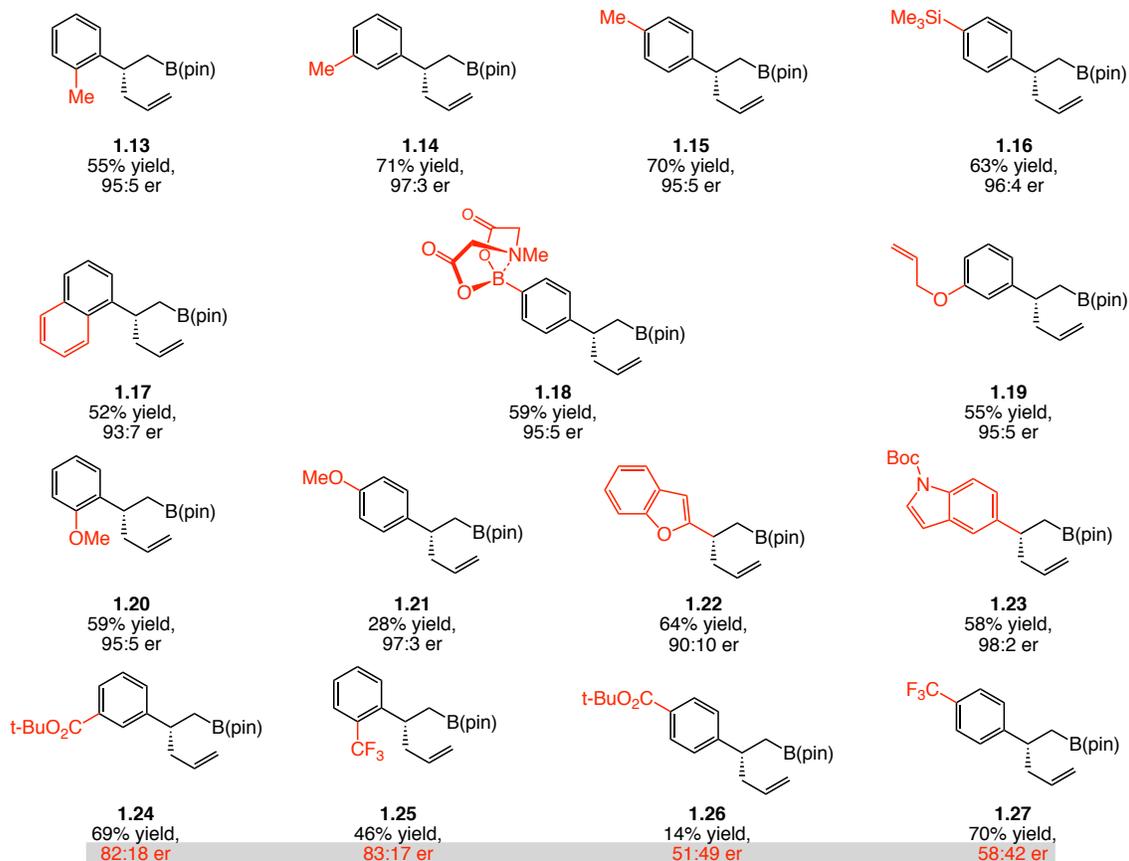
1.3.2 Electronic Properties of Alkenes and Their Effect on Enantioselectivity

In general, highly selective organoboron products were obtained with electron neutral and rich aryl olefins ($\geq 55\%$ yield and 90:10 er). However, substrates which react slowly in the alkylation step due to stabilization of the alkyl-copper intermediate, also lower enantioselectivity as we expected. *meta*-Carboxylic ester **1.24** and *ortho*-trifluoromethyl **1.25** products were formed in 82:18 and 83:17 er, respectively, and *para*-ester- and trifluoromethyl-substituted **1.26** and **1.27** were generated in 51:49 and 58:42 er, respectively. The same trend was found in the reported Cu/Pd protocol, but no rationale was provided. In the case of alkenes that are clearly electron-deficient, the enantiomerically less pure product was likely formed under bimetallic conditions (91:9 er vs 98:2 er, Scheme 1.4). *para*-Methoxy-substituted **1.21** (not reported in the Cu/Pd system) was obtained in 97:3 er and 28% yield. The lower yield is probably because reaction of a Cu–B(pin) complex to a more electron-rich substrate is slower (Scheme 1.3),

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thus addition to allylic phosphate [to give allyl–B(pin)]¹² becomes the major pathway (Scheme 1.1).

Scheme 1.7. Representative Products of Bis-Phosphine–Cu–Catalyzed Reactions (3:1 Alkene:Allylphosphate ratio)^a



^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for details. Boc, *tert*-butoxycarbonyl; pin, pinacolato.

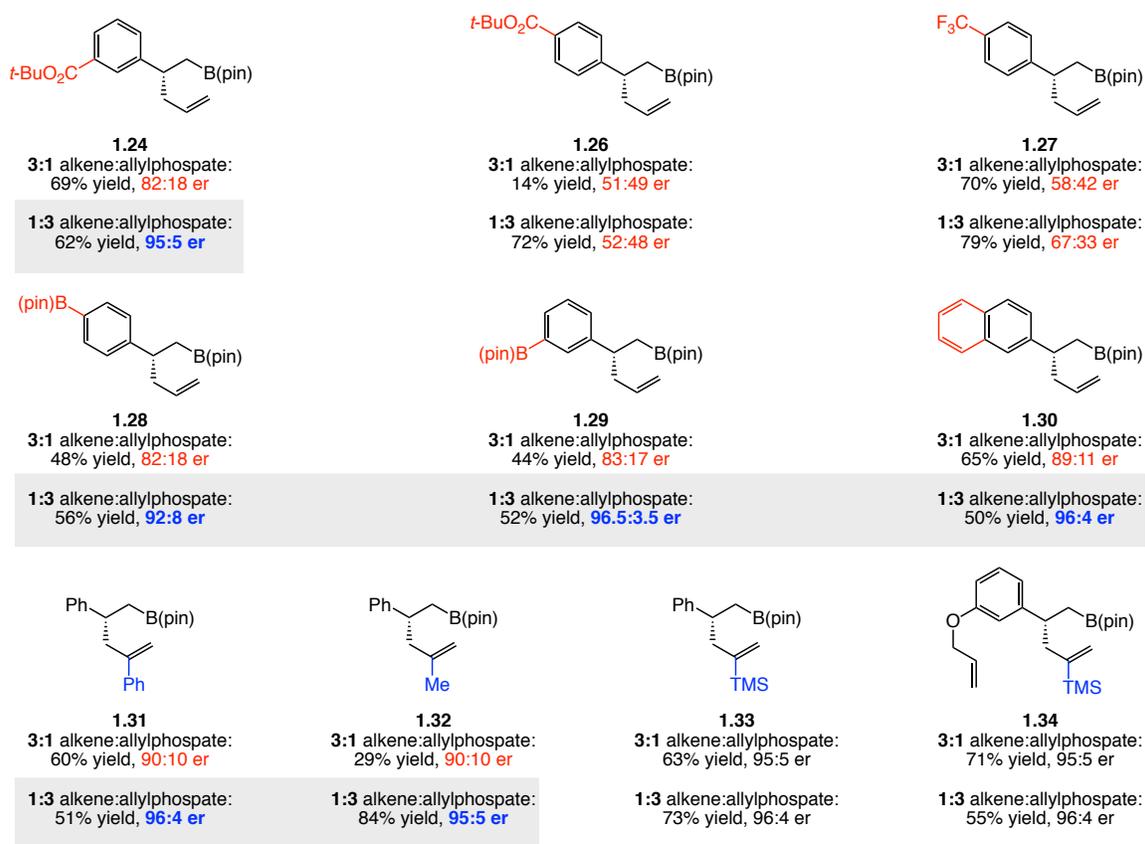
1.3.3 Alkene:Electrophile Ratio and Its Effect on Enantioselectivity

Fluctuations in enantioselectivity possibly arise from a difference in kinetic selectivity during the initial Cu–B(pin) addition step. Or, erosion of stereochemistry could occur prior to C–C bond formation by epimerization. This could be especially noticeable with electron-deficient alkenes (1.24–1.27, Scheme 1.7) since less nucleophilic Cu–alkyl species derived from electron-deficient alkenes would react less

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readily (Scheme 1.3). In the latter case, higher electrophile concentration should lead to faster alkylation, minimizing the erosion of enantioselectivity due to epimerization.^{9b} Indeed, whereas **1.24** was formed in 82:18 er with a 3:1 aryl olefin:allylphosphate ratio, when the ratio was reversed, the enantioselectivity improved to 95:5 er (Scheme 1.8). *para*-B(pin)-substituted **1.28** (92:8 compared to 82:18 er, Scheme 1.8), *meta*-B(pin)-substituted **1.29** (96.5:3.5 compared to 83:17 er, Scheme 1.8), and 2-naphthyl-substituted **1.30** (96:4 compared to 89:11 er, Scheme 1.8) were also generated with notably higher

Scheme 1.8. Effect of Aryl Olefin:Allyl Phosphate Ratio and Size of Electrophile on Enantioselectivity^a



^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for details. TMS, trimethylsilyl; pin, pinacolato.

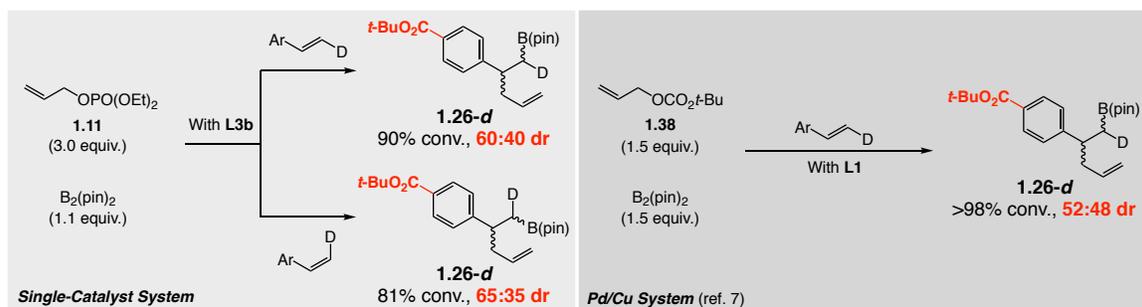
enantioselectivities. Therefore, differences in kinetic selectivity in the initial Cu–B(pin) addition step are not the reason for the enantiomeric ratio variations. However, we soon discovered that matters are more complex. In several cases, increasing the allylphosphate

concentration did not improve er. For example, although the yield for **1.26** was much higher when increasing allylphosphate concentration (72% compare to 14%, Scheme 1.8), there was little impact on the enantioselectivity of its formation. Similar results were seen with *para*-trifluoromethyl-substituted **1.27**. There was no improvement in enantioselectivity when reversing the substrate ratio for *para*-methoxy-substituted **1.21** (Scheme 1.7) which was generated through an exceedingly nucleophilic Cu–alkyl intermediate. With hindered 2-substituted allylphosphates (**1.31–1.34**), which were also not included in the disclosure on the Cu/Pd system⁷ (in addition to **1.24**, **1.28**, and **1.29**, Scheme 1.8), Cu-alkyl trapping should be slower and enantioselectivity would be expected to suffer. Indeed, transformations leading to **1.31** and **1.32**, which contain 2-substituted alkenes, were more enantioselective when additional amounts of electrophile was present (96:4 compared to 90:10 er and 95:5 compared to 90:10 er). With alkenylsilane **1.33** and **1.34**, the same alteration was less consequential (Scheme 1.8).

1.3.4 Higher Enantioselectivity with a Less Reactive Electrophile

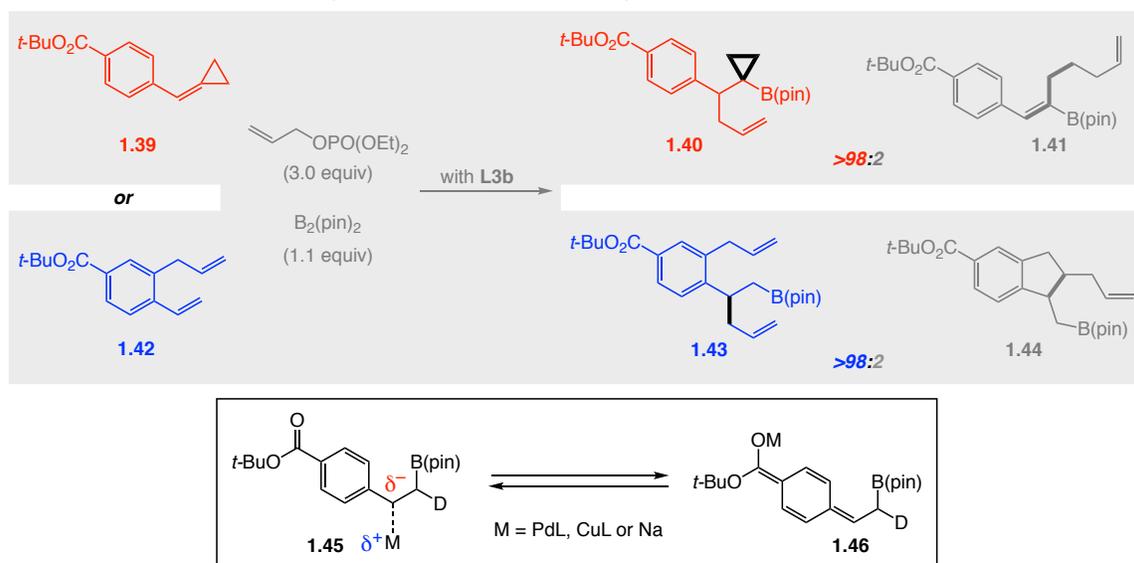
Faster Cu–alkyl trapping is not the only way to obtain high enantioselectivity. Regardless of the alkene:electrophile ratio, use of allylphenyl carbonate **1.35**, shown to be less reactive than allylphosphate¹³ (Scheme 1.9), generally led to higher er (96:4 to 98:8 er, Scheme 1.10). However, larger amounts of this electrophile were required with the more electron withdrawing aryl olefins **1.25** and **1.27** (less nucleophilic copper–alkyl intermediates) because of its lower reactivity of **1.35**. With electron-neutral or electron-rich olefins, the use of allylphosphate was often preferred due to better yields as opposed to higher er.

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Scheme 1.11. Loss of Kinetic Enantioselectivity Due to Epimerization^a

^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures. Diastereomeric ratios were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for details. pin, pinacolato.

concentration did not impact er, showing that epimerization does not proceed via a bimetallic pathway.¹⁴ The highly electron-deficient aryl unit probably stabilizes electron density at the benzylic site, facilitating heterolytic cleavage/re-formation of the Cu–C bond through epimerization via metal-enolate **1.46**. A para-ester-substituted aryl olefin was the only case where increasing electrophile concentration (Scheme 1.8) or the use of

Scheme 1.12. Radical Colck Experiments and Cu–C Bond Epimerization^a

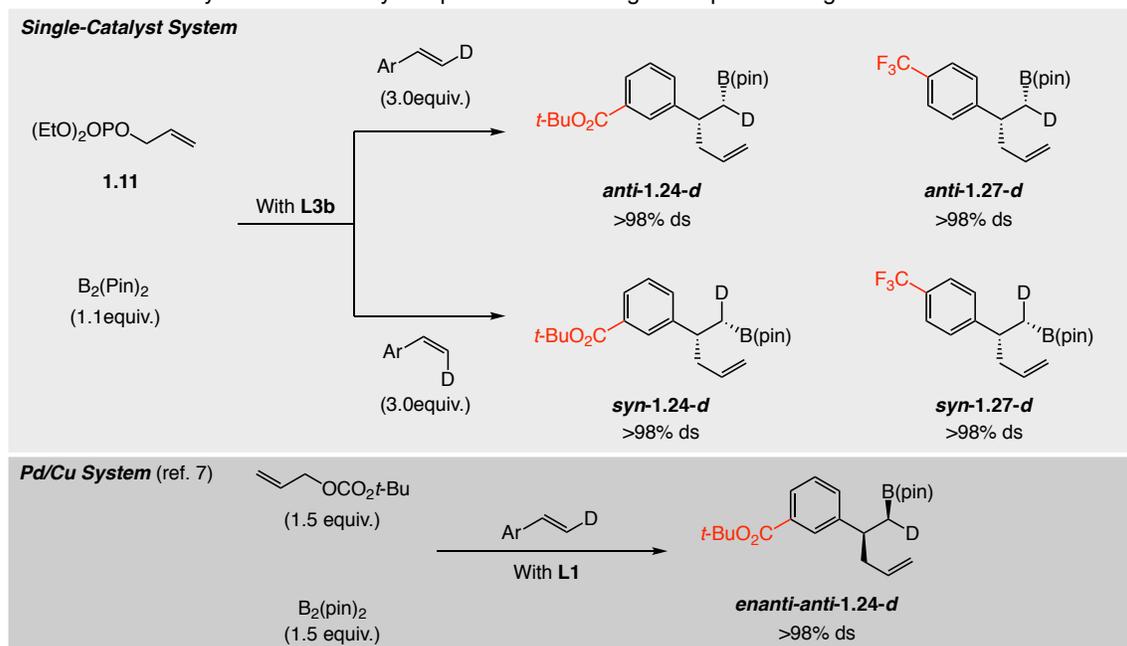
^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Product ratios were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for details. L, ligand; pin, pinacolato.

allylphenyl carbonate did not enhance er. Loss of enantioselectivity is too facile in this particular case.

1.3.6 Mechanism: Temporary Ligand Loss at the Cu–Alkoxide Stage

Reactions with other deuterated alkenes, such as those in Scheme 1.13, were completely diastereospecific (>98% ds). Again, similar results were obtained under Cu/Pd conditions.⁷ Thus, in most cases, diminution in er does not arise from Cu–alkyl trapping with inversion of stereochemistry¹⁵ or Cu–C bond rupture,¹⁶ as, otherwise, dr would be lower when labelled alkenes were used. Except *para*-ester-substituted **1.26**

Scheme 1.13. Study of the Possibility of Epimerization through Isotopic Labeling^a



^a Reactions were performed under N_2 atmosphere. Diastereomeric ratios were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for details. pin, pinacolato.

case, what is the detailed mechanism behind the loss of enantioselectivity? What is the specific role for the excess amount of electrophile? Could it be that in some cases, er improves (for example, **1.24**, Scheme 1.8) by reversal of the alkene:electrophile ratio because the alkene concentration is reduced and not because of higher electrophile concentration? The most likely enantioselective pathway is shown in Scheme 1.14a.

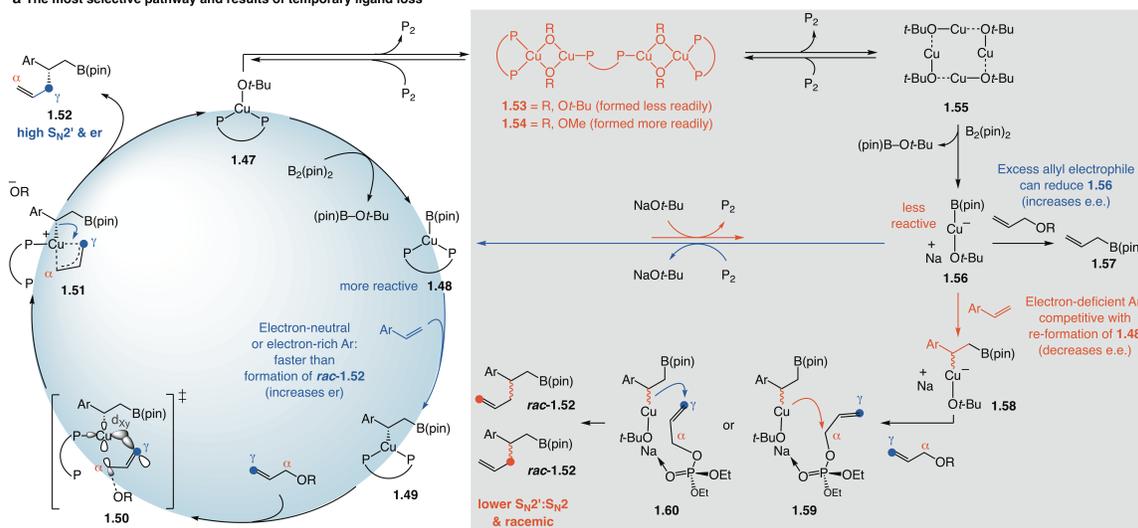
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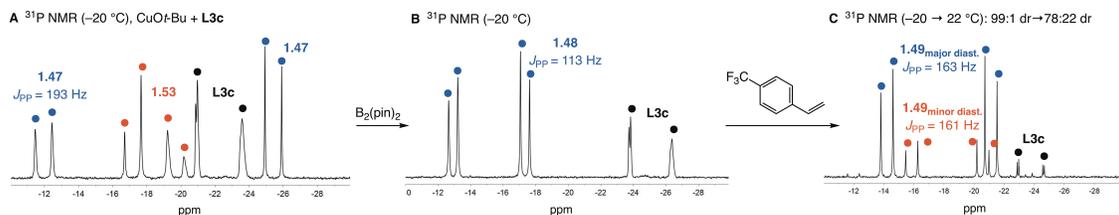
After the formation of Cu–alkyl complex **1.49** from the chiral Cu–B(pin) complex **1.48** which is generated through transmetalation with $B_2(\text{pin})_2$ and Cu–alkoxide complex **1.47**. Complex **1.49** would then readily react with the electrophile (**1.11** or **1.35**) to deliver **1.51** via transition state structure **1.50**, which in turn affords the final product **1.52**. Spectroscopic studies show that the chiral ligand dissociates from the metal center of the Cu–Ot-Bu complex. Subjection of Cu–Ot-Bu to 1.1 equivalents of **L3c** (spectrum A,

Scheme 1.14. The Catalytic Cycle and Temporary Dissociation of the Chiral Ligand

a The most selective pathway and results of temporary ligand loss



b Study of chiral ligand loss by spectroscopic analysis

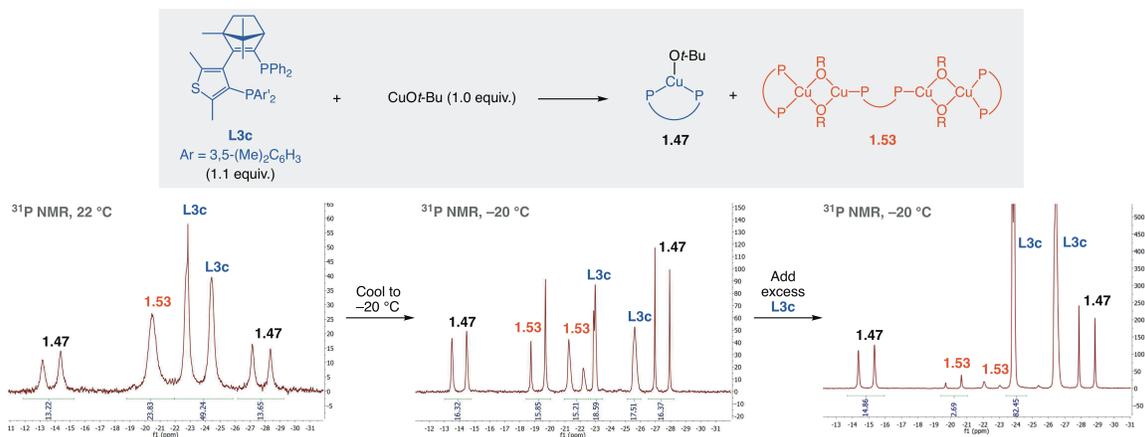


Scheme 1.14b) generated mixtures of complex **1.47**, ~30 mol % of unbound chiral ligand **L3c**, and the derived aggregates (for example, **1.53**) which could readily transform to the well-defined copper-alkoxide¹⁷ **1.55** (Scheme 1.14a). Addition of $B_2(\text{pin})_2$ yielded **L3c**–Cu–B(pin) complex **1.48**, which was stable enough for analysis at $-20\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (spectrum B,

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Scheme 1.14b). There was still ~30% unbound bis-phosphine ligand at this point which indicates that there is no chiral ligand re-association after Cu–B bond formation. This suggests that there is a significant amount of achiral Cu–B(pin) complex available to react (see the Experimental section for a detailed spectroscopic analysis). Addition of *para*-CF₃-styrene at –20 °C initially afforded **1.49** in 99:1 dr (~75% conv.). When the mixture was allowed to warm to 22 °C (spectrum C, Scheme 1.14b) there was complete conversion and diastereoselectivity was reduced to 72:28 with ~10% of unbound **L3c** remaining, which is due to the excess 0.1 equivalents used initially. The oxygen atom of a Cu–alkoxide species can form a bridge with another Cu–alkoxide unit facilitating aggregation,¹⁸ ligand dissociation and generation of achiral Cu–B(pin) species **1.56**. Under the catalytic reaction condition with 1.5 equivalents of NaO*t*-Bu, ligand dissociation would be more problematic since there is only 5.5 mol % of ligand. Spectroscopic studies confirm that when excess chiral ligand is employed, the equilibrium shifts towards the bis-phosphine–Cu complex (Scheme 1.15). The achiral

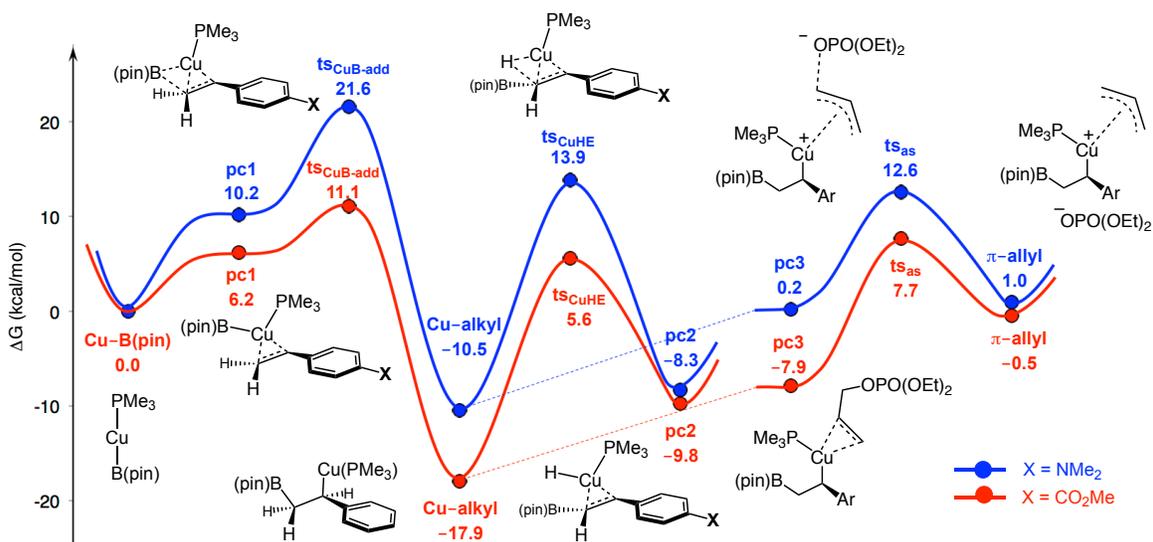
Scheme 1.15. Aggregates Derived from Bis-Phosphine–Cu Complexes and Related Equilibria



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Cu–B(pin) species **1.56** lacks the Lewis basic phosphine ligand, causing the complex to be less nucleophilic. Thus, the complex cannot readily react with an electron-rich alkene (**1.56** → **1.58**). Density functional theory (DFT) calculations show that reaction between an achiral Cu–B(pin) and an electron-poor olefin is more favorable and can be problematic compared to an electron-rich olefin (Scheme 1.16; for full system calculations see the Experimental section). Faster Cu–B(pin) addition to an electron-poor alkene suggests that the aryl olefin concentration must be kept low for higher er, otherwise rate of the achiral alkyl-copper complex **1.58** formation would be faster. The

Scheme 1.16. Selected Energy Barriers Obtained through DFT Studies with Model System^a

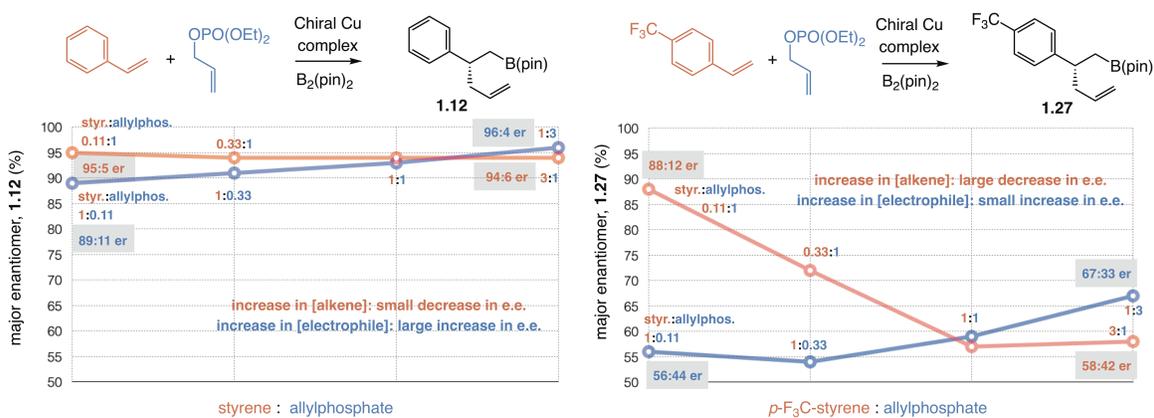


^a DFT calculations were performed at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP//ωB97XD/Def2SVP level in THF (SMD: solvation model based on density)

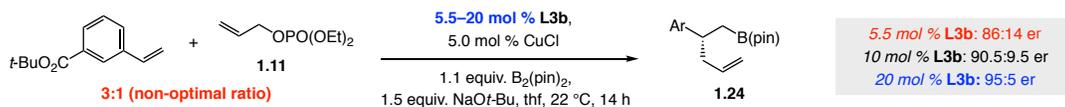
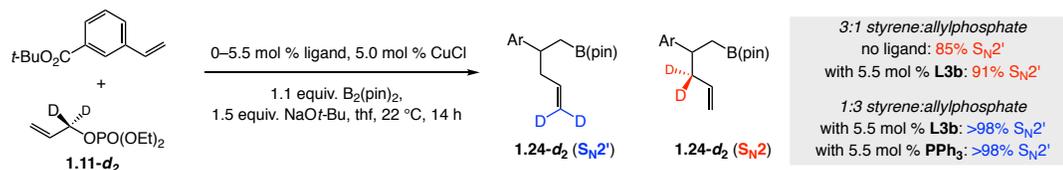
lower concentration of electron-poor olefin would allow faster ligand re-association (**1.56** → **1.48**) to occur before the Cu–B(pin) reacts with an alkene (**1.56** → **1.58**, Scheme 1.14). This is less likely when an electron-neutral or electron-rich olefin is used, where altering the aryl olefin concentration is largely inconsequential and increasing the amount of electrophile significantly impacts enantioselectivity. In the cases with electron-neutral or electron-rich olefins, formation of achiral alkyl-copper complex **1.58** would be much slower. However, increasing the amount of allylic phosphate facilitates conversion of the

achiral Cu–B(pin) complex to allyl–B(pin) side product (**1.56** → **1.57**, Scheme 1.14).¹² Thus, as a result of forming more **1.57**, there would be much less opportunity, for **1.56** to go on to form *rac*-**1.52**. The following observations offer more clarification. A systematic study of the effect of substrate concentration on selectivity (changing only one substrate concentration at a time; Scheme 1.17, more examples in the Experimental section) indicated that although increasing the amount of electrophile can lead to higher er with

Scheme 1.17. Effect of Aryl Olefin or Allyl Electrophile Concentration on Enantioselectivity



styrene, variations in olefin concentration have a stronger influence on enantioselectivity with electron-deficient olefins (95:5 to 94:6 er for **1.12** compared to 88:12 to 58:42 er for **1.27**; shown in red). With excess alkene, addition of achiral Cu–B(pin) to the more reactive electron-deficient π bond (**1.56** → **1.58**, Scheme 1.14) is faster than its association with the chiral ligand (**1.56** → **1.48**, Scheme 1.14) decreasing the enantioselectivity by generating *rac*-**1.52**. Alkene concentration is a very important factor in improving selectivity, but the enantiomeric ratio does not change beyond a certain olefin concentration (1:1–3:1 alkene:allylphosphate, shown in red, Scheme 1.17). The proposed scenario is also supported by the following additional experiments. First, higher enantioselectivity was obtained with greater amounts of chiral ligand (95:5 er at 20 mol % **L3b** compared to 86:14 er at 5.5 mol % **L3b**, Scheme 1.18a). Second, with the smaller

Scheme 1.18. Effect of Ligand Concentration on *er* and S_N2' selectivity^a**a****b**

^a Reactions were performed under N_2 atmosphere. Ratios of S_N2' and S_N2 products were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for details. pin, pinacolato.

NaOMe (versus NaOt-Bu), expected to bridge Cu centers and cause ligand dissociation more efficiently (**1.53** versus **1.54**, Scheme 1.14), enantioselectivity was lower (77:33 er with NaOMe compare to 86:14 er with NaOt-Bu and 5.5 mol % **L3b**). The experiments with deuterated electrophile (**1.11- d_2** , Scheme 1.18b) describe the matter in more detail. A bis-phosphine–Cu complex delivers high S_N2' selectivity due to the HOMO (highest occupied molecular orbital) of the copper species being on the d_{xy} orbital, while the LUMO (lowest unoccupied molecular orbital) of the allyl phosphate resides on the C_γ , as shown in **1.50** (Scheme 1.14).¹⁹ The Cu–alkyl bond in square planar **1.51** is thus *syn* to the newly formed Cu– C_γ bond, furnishing the S_N2' addition (**1.52**) product after the C–C bond formation. With the achiral alkyl–Cu complexes (**1.59** and **1.60**, Scheme 1.14), S_N2' selectivity is lower due to the sodium ion being able to bridge the Cu–alkoxide oxygen²⁰ and phosphate moiety. These scenarios are also supported by DFT calculations (see the Experimental section). In the reaction with *meta*-*tert*-butyl-ester-substituted styrene and **1.11- d_2** (non-optimal conditions, 3:1 alkene:electrophile) without a ligand and with **L3b** present, the S_N2' : S_N2 ratios were 85:15 and 91:9, respectively (Scheme 1.18). In contrast,

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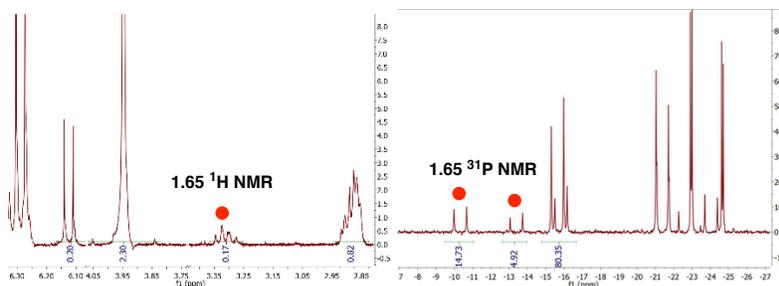
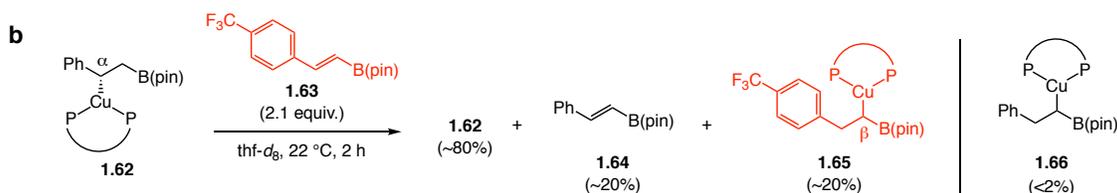
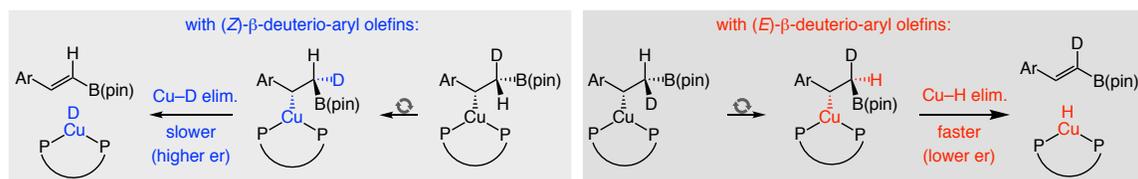
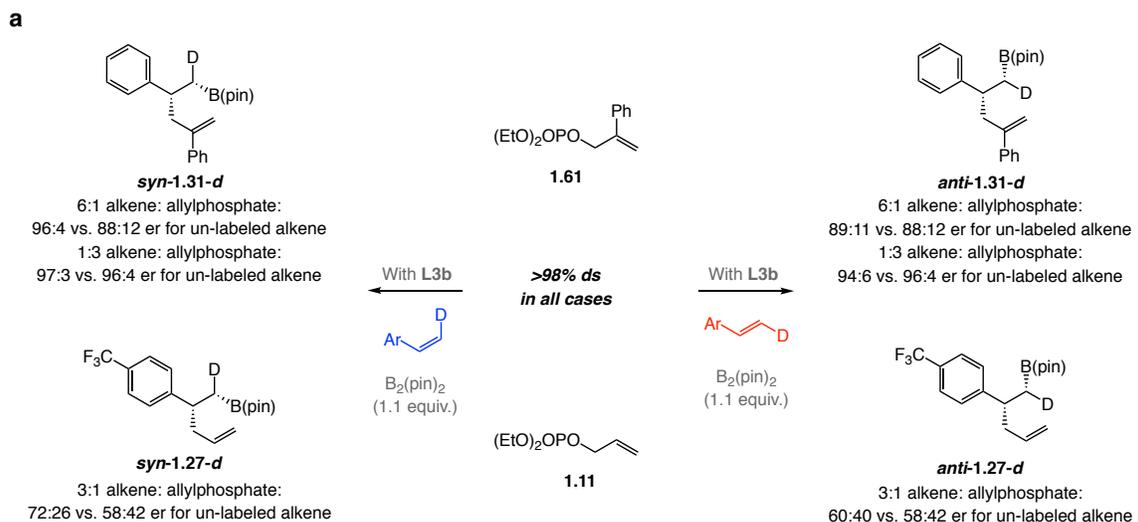
with an optimal alkene:electrophile ratio (1:3) and a chiral bis-phosphine present, the $S_N2':S_N2$ ratio was >98:2. As long as the alkene concentration was kept low, regardless of the ligand identity (**L3b** or PPh_3), the S_N2 product was not detected. This finding shows that lowering the alkene concentration and/or increasing ligand loading is more effective especially for electron-deficient aryl olefins, to prevent the undesired reactivity of achiral Cu-B(pin) complexes from occurring. There was a much smaller increase in enantioselectivity at higher electrophile concentration for products derived from electron-poor alkenes, such as **1.27** (Scheme 1.17) because the formation of **1.58** was still too facile in these cases (compared electron-neutral alkenes).

1.3.7 Mechanism: Low Enantioselectivity Due to Cu–H Elimination

Through computational studies (Scheme 1.16) we found that, especially with electron-deficient alkene as substrates (red versus blue), Cu–H elimination is able to compete with allylic substitution ($Cu\text{-alkyl} \rightarrow ts_{CuHE} \rightarrow pc2$ versus $Cu\text{-alkyl} \rightarrow pc3 \rightarrow ts_{as} \rightarrow \pi\text{-allyl}$). Indeed, additional mechanistic studies with (*E*)- and (*Z*)- β -deuterio-aryl olefins indicated that Cu–H elimination was involved in the fluctuation on enantioselectivity. The data in Scheme 1.19a shows that Cu–H elimination could be one of the reasons why enantioselectivity is lower if Cu–alkyl trapping is slow (for example, when excess aryl olefin is used). With unlabeled aryl olefins or (*E*)- β -deuterio-styrenes there was only a small change in er. However, notably higher selectivities were obtained with (*Z*)- β -deuterio-styrene compared to when unlabeled styrene was used (*syn*-**1.31-d** and *syn*-**1.27-d**, Scheme 1.19a). Thus, while reaction with the *Z* isomers involve a slower Cu–D elimination (primary isotope effect) or Cu–H elimination via a sterically hindered intermediate [eclipsing Ar and B(pin)], β -hydride elimination can proceed more readily

with the *E* isomer (Scheme 1.19a). Spectroscopic studies provide additional insight to verify re-addition of Cu–H to the alkenyl B(pin) compounds (**1.63**, Scheme 1.19b). Treatment of a sample of Cu-alkyl complex **1.62** (82:18 dr) to *para*-trifluoromethyl alkenyl–B(pin) **1.63** afforded ~20% alkenyl–B(pin) **1.64** and isomeric species **1.65** (22 °C, 2 h; see the Experimental section for a detailed spectroscopic analysis). Hence, Cu–H

Scheme 1.19. Low er due to Cu–H Elimination^a



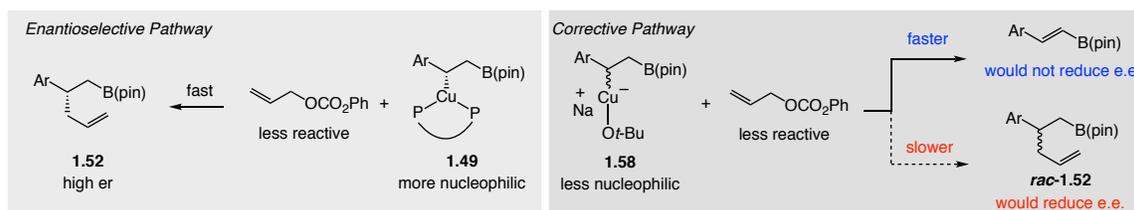
^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Diastereomeric ratios were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 1\%$. Experiments were performed at least in triplicate. See the Experimental section for all details. pin, pinacolato.

elimination converts **1.62** to **1.64** and the generated metal–hydride complex adds preferentially to the more electrophilic alkene (**1.65** versus **1.66**). The data shows that under unoptimal conditions (excess alkene versus allyl electrophile), low enantioselectivity does not originate from Cu–H elimination/re-addition since Cu–H re-addition yields the regioisomer as shown in **1.65** due to the polarity reversal of the olefin in alkenyl–B(pin)⁶ **1.63**. Instead, diminished enantioselectivity might be attributed to the major Cu-alkyl diastereomer undergoing faster Cu–H elimination. At higher electrophile concentration, Cu-alkyl trapping can compete better with diastereoselective Cu–H elimination, resulting in improved enantioselectivity. It would be difficult to anticipate to what extent and how much faster one isomer might undergo Cu–H elimination.

1.3.8 Mechanism: High Enantioselectivity Due to Cu–H Elimination

Although counterintuitive, use of the less reactive allylphenyl carbonate gives rise to higher selectivity due to Cu–H elimination. One piece of evidence to which support this hypothesis was the larger amounts of alkenyl–B(pin) formed in reactions with allylphenyl carbonate (~10% versus ~2% with allylphosphate under catalytic enantioselective conditions). This means that there is minimal trapping of the achiral Cu–B(pin) species with allylphenyl carbonate (**1.58**, Scheme 1.20) when compared to allylic

Scheme 1.20. High er due to Cu–H Elimination



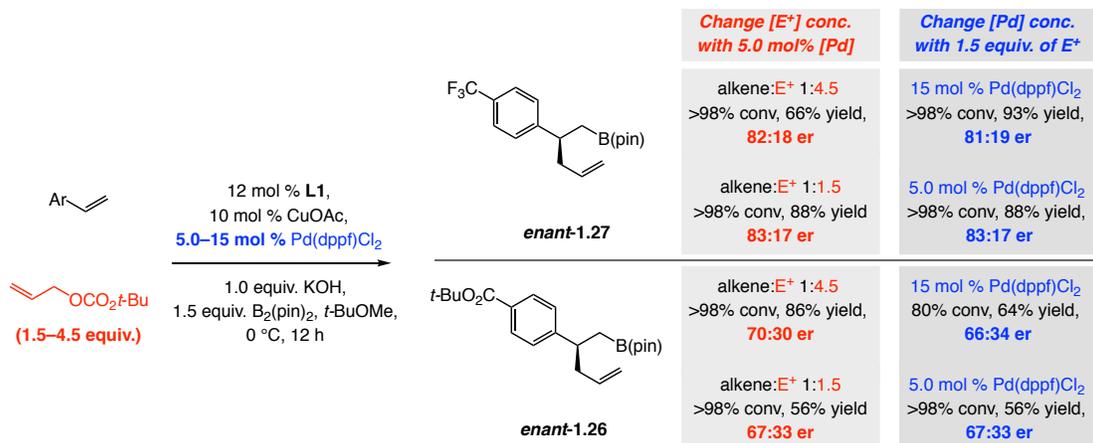
phosphate. The racemic pathway may thus be corrected by chemoselective Cu–H elimination of the achiral Cu-alkyl intermediate (cf. the derived bis-phosphine complex)

rather than allylic substitution to furnish *rac*-**1.52**. This is for two reasons: (1) bisphosphine–Cu–alkyl species are less prone to undergo Cu–H elimination compared to the ligand-free achiral complex²¹; and (2) with the less reactive allylcarbonate and under more dilute catalytic conditions, intramolecular Cu–H elimination in **1.58** (Scheme 1.20) is likely faster than intermolecular allylic substitution (to give *rac*-**1.52**), or chiral ligand reassociation (**1.58** → *rac*-**1.49**). Therefore, especially for **1.27** and **1.36**, enantioselectivity is high only when carbonate **1.35** is used (Scheme 1.10). The adverse effect of Cu–H elimination when Cu–alkyl trapping is slow would be applicable here, since the major Cu–alkyl diastereomer decomposes faster (Scheme 1.19b). However, the ability of Cu–H elimination to prevent racemic product generation from achiral Cu–alkyl complexes (**1.58**) appears to be the dominant factor.

1.3.9 Advantage of the Single-Catalyst Method

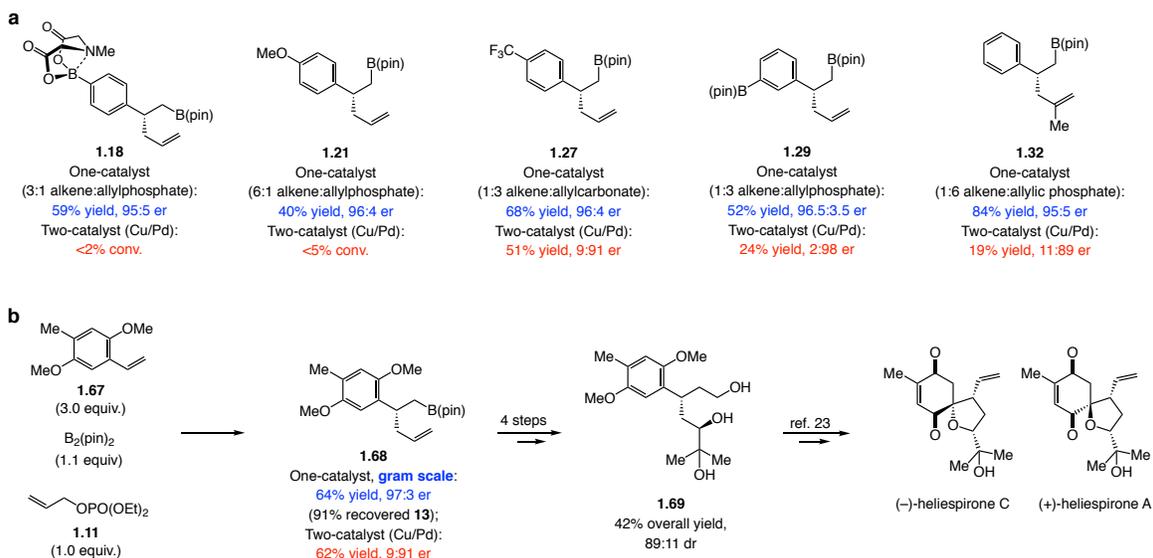
Under the Cu/Pd conditions,⁷ where higher electrophile concentration means increasing the amount of electrophile as well as the co-catalyst, enantioselectivity could

Scheme 1.21. Influence of Variations in Electrophile/Co-Catalyst Concentration on Enantioselectivity^a



^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere; Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%; Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%; Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%; E⁺, electrophile, pin, pinacolato; dppf, 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene.

not be improved by adjusting the electrophile and co-catalyst concentrations (Scheme 1.21). This might be because the presence of achiral bis-phosphine Pd species allows for an achiral Cu–B(pin) complex to be generated through ligand exchange.²² The resulting non-enantioselective pathways offset any benefits that might result from a change in conditions. One advantage of the single catalyst system is that it can be used as a reasonable platform to achieve broader applicability. The cases in Scheme 1.22a are illustrative; except for **1.27**, none were previously reported under the two-catalyst conditions (Scheme 1.4). With relatively electron-rich substrates (for example, **1.21** or **1.67**), where Cu–alkyl formation is more sluggish, higher alkene concentration led to high yield and enantioselectivity. The positive effect of utilizing a less reactive

Scheme 1.22. Broader Scope and Utility^a

^a Reactions were performed under N_2 atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (**1.11** or **1.39**) and determined by analysis of the 1H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be $\leq 2\%$. Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be $\leq 5\%$. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\leq 1\%$. See the Experimental section for details. pin, pinacolato

electrophile in reactions with a strongly electron-deficient alkene is underscored by the improved yield and enantioselectivity for **1.27**. When electronically-neutral styrene was used (for example, **1.32**), larger amounts of allylic phosphate reduced the possibility of

diastereoselective Cu–H elimination and lower the concentration of achiral Cu–B(pin), resulting in higher er (see Scheme 1.14 and Scheme 1.19a for details). Gram-scale synthesis of **1.68** proceeded in higher enantioselectivity (97:3 er compared to 9:91 er with the two-catalyst method). Diol **1.69**, applicable to synthesis of heliespirones A and C,²³ was prepared from **1.68** in four steps and 42% overall yield (89:11 dr; see the Experimental section for details). Unreacted **1.67** was easily recovered (91% yield). Compounds **1.68** or **1.69** cannot be accessed through enantioselective hydroboration²⁴ or conjugate addition of an aryl or a prenyl group to an enoate²⁵.

1.3.10 Relevance to Cu–H-Catalyzed Processes

Reactions with electronically-neutral dihydronaphthalene and electron-deficient alkenyl–B(dan) were investigated to see if the aforementioned principles apply to Cu–H additions as well (Scheme 1.23). With dihydronaphthalene,^{8b} increasing the hydroxyamine concentration led to improvement in enantioselectivity (**1.70** from 90:10 to 93:7 er); similarly, in reactions with alkenyl–B(dan)¹⁰ there was a significant increase in er when larger amounts of electrophile were utilized (88:12 to 96:4 er). However, based on the above studies, with the more electron-deficient alkenyl–B(dan), er variations are probably caused by adventitious reaction by an achiral Cu–H complex. This is supported by the distinct way through which increased ligand loading impacts these reactions: with electron-rich dihydronaphthalene, there was no change in er when 2.0 or 8.0 mol % **L2**

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important consequences from this study are that lower alkene concentration can lead to enhanced enantioselectivity when electron-deficient alkenes are involved (Scheme 1.17), and Cu–H elimination can elevate enantioselectivity by rerouting racemic pathways towards the formation of other by-products (Scheme 1.20). Very interestingly, this corrective pathway was achieved when a less reactive electrophile was employed. This goes against the general idea that faster Cu–alkyl trapping can increase selectivity. As highlighted by the representative applications in Cu–H-catalyzed processes (Scheme 1.23), the newly acquired understanding and its strategic implications are likely to be instrumental in the success of future endeavors in this area.

1.5 Experimentals

1.5.1 General

Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker FT-IR Alpha (ATR mode) spectrophotometer, ν_{\max} in cm^{-1} . Bands are characterized as broad (br), strong (s), medium (m), and weak (w). ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity INOVA 400 (400 MHz), 500 (500 MHz), or 600 (600 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 7.26 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, pent = pentet, m = multiplet, br = broad, app = apparent), and coupling constants (Hz). ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity INOVA 400 (100 MHz), 500 (125 MHz), or 600 (150 MHz) spectrometers with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 77.16 ppm). High-resolution mass spectrometry was performed on a JEOL AccuTOF DART (positive mode) at the Mass Spectrometry Facility, Boston College. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis (high-performance liquid chromatography) with a Shimadzu chromatograph [Chiral Technologies Chiralcel AZ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OC-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OD-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OJ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OZ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), or Chiral Technologies Chiralpak AD-H (4.6 x 250 mm)] in comparison with authentic racemic materials. Specific rotations were measured on a Rudolph Research Analytical Autopol IV Polarimeter. Melting points were measured on a Thomas Hoover capillary melting point apparatus and are

uncorrected. X-ray structures were obtained, as described in the cif file, with a Microfocus sealed Cu tube from Incote. It is well established that that aforementioned detector allows for the determination of absolute configuration of molecules that do not have a heavy atom.

Unless otherwise noted, reactions were carried out with distilled and degassed solvents under an atmosphere of dry N₂ in oven- (135 °C) or flame-dried glassware with standard dry box or vacuum-line techniques. Hexanes was purified under a positive pressure of dry argon by a modified Innovative Technologies purification system through a copper oxide and alumina column. Tetrahydrofuran (thf; Aldrich Chemical Co.) was purified by distillation from sodium benzophenone ketyl immediately prior to use. All work-up and purification procedures were carried out with reagent grade solvents (purchased from Fisher Scientific) under air.

1.5.2 Reagents

Allyl phenyl carbonate (1.35): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Allyl *tert*-butyl carbonate: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.²⁶

Bis(pinacolato)diboron [B₂(pin)₂]: purchased from Frontier Scientific, Inc., recrystallized from pentane and dried under vacuum prior to use.

***n*-Butyllithium (1.6 M in hexanes):** purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Chlorotrimethylsilane: purchased from Acros and used as received.

Copper(I) chloride: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Deuterium oxide (D₂O): purchased from Cambridge Isotope Laboratories and used as received.

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Diethyl allyl phosphate (1.11): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Diisobutylaluminum hydride (dibal-H): purchased neat from Aldrich and used as received.

Di-tert-butyl-dicarbonate (Boc₂O): purchased from Advanced ChemTech and used as received.

Hoveyda-Grubbs catalyst 2nd generation: purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Hydrogen peroxide (30 wt % in H₂O): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Imidazolinium salt NHC-1, 2, 3, 4, and 5: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.²⁷

Imidazolinium salt NHC-6: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.²⁸

Imidazolinium salt NHC-7: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.²⁹

2-Isopropoxy-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane [*i*-PrOB(pin)]: purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Oxone®, monopersulfate compound: purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Phosphine L1: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.³⁰

Phosphine ligands (L2, 3a–c, 4, 5, and 6): purchased from Strem and used as received.

Pyridinium dichromate (PDC): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

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Sodium *tert*-butoxide: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Sodium hydroxide (2 M): prepared from NaOH purchased from Fisher (used as received) and deionized water.

Sulfuric acid: purchased from Fisher and used as received.

Tetrabutylammonium fluoride (tbaF, 1.0 M in thf): purchased from Oakwood and used as received.

Preparation of aryl or heteroaryl olefins: unless otherwise noted, olefins were purchased from Acros, Aldrich, Alfa Aesar, Combi-Blocks, Matrix Scientific, or TCI, and distilled over CaH₂ under reduced pressure prior to use.

The following olefins were synthesized from the corresponding aldehydes by Wittig olefination.³¹

1,4-Dimethoxy-2-methyl-5-vinylbenzene (1.67): Melting point: 41–42°C. IR (neat): 2995 (w), 2935 (w), 2830 (w), 1623 (w), 1501 (s), 1464 (m), 1416 (m), 1399 (m), 1207 (s), 1182 (m), 1042 (s), 996 (m), 902 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.02 (1H, dd, *J* = 18.0, 11.2 Hz), 6.95 (1H, s), 6.70 (1H, s), 5.68 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.8, 1.4 Hz), 5.22 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.2, 1.2 Hz), 3.82 (3H, s), 3.80 (3H, s), 2.23 (3H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.0, 150.8, 131.7, 127.5, 124.5, 114.7, 113.3, 108.2, 56.4, 55.9, 16.4; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₅O₂ [M+H]⁺: 179.1072, Found: 179.1069.

1-(Allyloxy)-3-vinylbenzene (substrate for 1.19 and 1.34): The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.³² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.24 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0

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Hz), 7.03–6.96 (2H, m), 6.83 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.2, 2.6, 0.9$ Hz), 6.68 (1H, dd, $J = 17.6, 10.8$ Hz), 6.07 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.3, 10.6, 5.3$ Hz), 5.73 (1H, dd, $J = 17.6, 0.9$ Hz), 5.43 (1H, dq, $J = 17.3, 1.6$ Hz), 5.29 (1H, dq, $J = 10.5, 1.4$ Hz), 5.25 (1H, dd, $J = 10.9, 0.9$ Hz), 4.56 (2H, dt, $J = 5.3, 1.5$ Hz).

2-Vinylbenzofuran (substrate for 1.22): The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.³³ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.52 (1H, ddd, $J = 7.6, 1.4, 0.7$ Hz), 7.45 (1H, dq, $J = 8.2, 0.9$ Hz), 7.30–7.24 (2H, m), 6.64 (1H, dd, $J = 17.5, 11.2$ Hz), 6.60 (1H, s), 5.96 (1H, ddd, $J = 17.4, 1.3, 0.6$ Hz), 5.41 (1H, dd, $J = 11.2, 1.2$ Hz).

***tert*-Butyl 5-vinyl-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (substrate for 1.23):** The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.³⁴ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.08 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.58–7.57 (2H, m), 7.41 (1H, dd, $J = 8.4, 1.2$ Hz), 6.81 (1H, dd, $J = 17.6, 10.8$ Hz), 6.55–6.54 (1H, m), 5.75 (1H, dd, $J = 17.2, 1.2$ Hz), 5.21 (1H, dd, $J = 10.4, 0.8$ Hz), 1.68 (9H, s).

The following olefins were synthesized from the corresponding aryl bromides by a two-step lithium halogen exchange/addition to TMSCl or *i*-PrOB(pin). To a flame-dried round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar was added 4-bromostyrene (0.71 mL, 5.5 mmol) and thf (30 mL) under N_2 . The resulting solution was allowed to cool to -78 °C (dry ice/acetone) and *n*-butyllithium (1.6 M in hexanes, 3.8 mL, 6.0 mmol) was added dropwise into the solution through syringe. The resulting light yellow solution was allowed to stir for 1 h at -78 °C and then TMSCl (0.84 mL, 6.6 mmol) was added dropwise by syringe. The mixture was allowed to slowly warm up to 22 °C. After 16 h,

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the reaction was quenched by the addition of H₂O (10 mL) and a saturated solution of aqueous NH₄Cl (10 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was washed with Et₂O (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting yellow oil was purified by silica gel chromatography (100% hexanes) to afford **trimethyl(4-vinylphenyl)silane (substrate for 1.16)** as colorless oil (876 mg, 5.0 mmol, 91%): IR (neat): 3063 (w), 3008 (w), 2956 (m), 1629 (w), 1389 (m), 1248 (m), 1105 (m), 989 (m), 906 (m), 826 (s), 761 (m), 730 (m), 692 (m), 642 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.51 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.43 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.74 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 10.9, Hz), 5.80 (1H, d, *J* = 17.6 Hz), 5.27 (1H, d, *J* = 10.9 Hz), 0.29 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 140.3, 138.1, 137.0, 133.7, 125.7, 114.2, -1.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₇Si [M+H]⁺: 177.1100, Found: 177.1101.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-vinylphenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (substrate for 1.28): Following the above procedure except *i*-PrOB(pin) was used instead of TMSCl, the product was obtained as colorless oil [purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes:Et₂O = 25:1)] (1.0 g, 4.5 mmol, 82%). IR (neat): 2978 (m), 2930 (w), 1629 (m), 1552 (w), 1397 (m), 1356 (s), 1322 (s), 1269 (m), 1213 (w), 1142 (s), 1088 (s), 1018 (m), 990 (m), 962 (m), 830 (m), 758 (w), 682 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.82 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.44 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.76 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 10.8 Hz), 5.84 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 1.2 Hz), 5.32 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.8, 0.8 Hz), 1.38 (12H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 140.3, 137.0, 135.1, 125.6, 114.9, 83.8, 25.0, 24.9; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₄H₂₀BO₂ [M+H]⁺: 231.1556; Found: 231.1563.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(3-vinylphenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (substrate for 1.29):

Following the above except 3-bromostyrene and *i*-PrOB(pin) were used instead of 4-bromostyrene and TMSCl, respectively, the product was obtained as colorless oil [purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes:Et₂O = 25:1)] (1.1 g, 4.7 mmol, 85%). IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2929 (m), 1380 (m), 1353 (s), 1319 (s), 1141 (s), 1079 (s), 990 (m), 963 (m), 908 (m), 831 (m), 710 (w), 699 (s), 681 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.87 (1H, s), 7.73 (1H, d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 7.53 (1H, dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz), 7.35 (1H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 6.75 (1H, dd, 17.6, 10.9 Hz), 5.81 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 0.9 Hz), 5.26 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.9, 0.9 Hz), 1.37 (12H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 137.0, 136.9, 134.3, 132.9, 129.0, 128.0, 114.0, 83.9, 25.0, 24.9; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₄H₂₀BO₂ [M+H]⁺: 231.1556, Found: 231.1567.

***tert*-Butyl 3-vinylbenzoate (substrate for 1.24):** Prepared according to the reported procedure.³⁵ IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2932 (w), 1711 (s), 1367 (m), 1294 (s), 1271 (m), 1256 (m), 1158 (s), 1113 (m), 1086 (m), 909 (m), 763 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03 (1H, dd, *J* = 2.2, 1.0 Hz), 7.88 (1H, dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.57–7.55 (1H, m), 7.37 (1H, t, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 6.75 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 10.8 Hz), 5.82 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 0.4 Hz), 5.31 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.0, 0.6 Hz), 1.61 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 165.8, 137.8, 136.2, 132.4, 130.1, 128.8, 128.5, 127.3, 115.0, 81.2, 28.3, ; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇O₂ [M+H]⁺: 205.1229, Found: 205.1235.

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tert-Butyl 4-vinylbenzoate (substrate for 1.26): Prepared according to the reported procedure.¹⁰ The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.³⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.94 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.44 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.75 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 10.8 Hz), 5.84 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 1.2 Hz), 5.36 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.0, 0.2 Hz), 1.60 (9H, s).

Preparation of allylic phosphates (substrates for 1.31, 1.33–1.34): Allylic alcohols were synthesized from the corresponding alkenyl bromides (purchased from Aldrich and used as received) by a two-step lithium halogen exchange/addition to formaldehyde sequence.³⁷ Subsequently, allylic alcohols were converted to the corresponding allylic phosphates based on an established method.³⁸

Diethyl (2-phenylallyl) phosphate (substrates for 1.31): IR (neat): 2983 (w), 2908 (w), 1444 (w), 1262 (m), 1165 (w), 1016 (s), 975 (s), 778 (m), 707 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43–7.46 (2H, m), 7.28–7.37 (3H, m), 5.57 (1H, s), 5.44 (1H, s), 4.93 (2H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 4.11–4.03 (4H, m), 1.31–1.28 (6H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.9 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 137.7, 128.6, 128.2, 126.2, 115.4, 68.7 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 63.9 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz), 16.2 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz); HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀O₄P₁ [M+H]⁺: 271.1099, Found: 271.1087.

Diethyl (2-(trimethylsilyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 1.33–1.34): IR (neat): 2982 (w), 2957 (w), 2908 (m), 1394 (w), 1250 (m), 1167 (w), 1024 (s), 976 (m), 840 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.85 (1H, s), 5.45 (1H, s), 4.65 (2H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 4.15–4.08 (4H, m), 1.33 (6H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 0.13 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ

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146.8 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 125.1, 70.7 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 63.9 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 16.3 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz), -1.5 ; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{10}H_{24}O_4P_1Si_1$ $[M+H]^+$: 267.1182, Found: 267.1177.

Preparation of an allylic phosphate for 1.32: 2-Methyl-2-propen-1-ol (purchased from Aldrich and used as received) was converted to the corresponding allylic phosphate based on a previously disclosed method.³⁸

Diethyl (2-methylallyl) phosphate (substrate for 1.32): IR (neat): 2983 (w), 2911 (w), 1447 (w), 1264 (m), 1166 (w), 1008 (s), 973 (s) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 4.94 (1H, s), 4.83 (1H, s), 4.32 (2H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 4.05–3.98 (4H, m), 1.67 (3H, s), 1.26–1.21 (6H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 140.0 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 113.0, 70.5 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 63.7 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 18.9, 16.0 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz); HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_8H_{18}O_4P_1$ $[M+H]^+$: 209.0943, Found: 209.0944.

Preparation of allyl-1,1- d_2 -diethyl phosphate (1.11- d_2): Allylic alcohol was synthesized from the reported procedure.³⁹ Subsequently, allylic alcohol was converted to the corresponding allylic phosphates based on an established method.¹³ IR (neat): 2984 (w), 2934 (w), 1265 (m), 1017(s), 976 (s), 801 (m) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 5.91 (1H, dd, $J = 17.2, 10.4$ Hz), 5.33 (1H, dt, $J = 17.2, 1.5$ Hz), 5.21 (1H, dt, $J = 10.0, 1.4$ Hz), 4.12–4.04 (4H, m), 1.32–1.28 (6H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 135.6 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 118.3, 63.8 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 16.2 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz); HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_7H_{14}D_2O_4P_1$ $[M+H]^+$: 197.0912, Found: 197.0920.

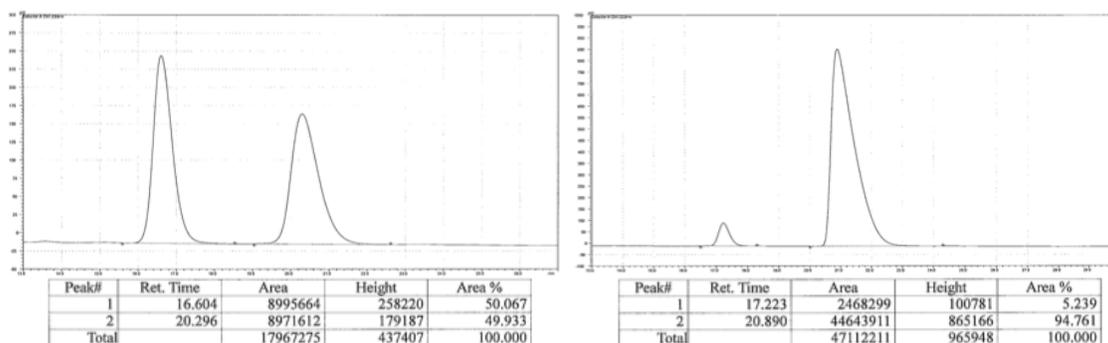
1.5.3 Representative Procedure for the Catalytic Enantioselective Boron-Allyl Addition to Aryl Alkenes

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In an N₂-filled glove box, an oven-dried 1 dram vial equipped with a stir bar was charged with bisphosphine **L3a** (3.4 mg, 0.0055 mmol), NaO*t*-Bu (14 mg, 0.15 mmol), and CuCl (0.50 mg, 0.0050 mmol), and thf (1.0 mL). The mixture was allowed to stir for 1 h under N₂ at 22 °C; during this time the solution turned light yellow. Bis(pinacolato)diboron (28 mg, 0.11 mmol) was added to the mixture, causing the solution to turn dark brown immediately. Styrene (31 mg, 0.30 mmol), allylphosphate (**1.11**) (19 mg, 0.10 mmol), and thf (0.50 mL) were added. The vial was sealed with a cap and electrical tape before removal from the glove box. The resulting mixture was allowed to stir at 22 °C for 14 h. The mixture was then passed through a short plug of silica gel (4 x 1 cm) and eluted with Et₂O. The organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure, affording yellow oil, which was purified by silica gel chromatography (100% hexanes→hexanes:Et₂O = 10:1) to afford **1.12** as colorless oil (18 mg, 0.067 mmol, 67% yield).

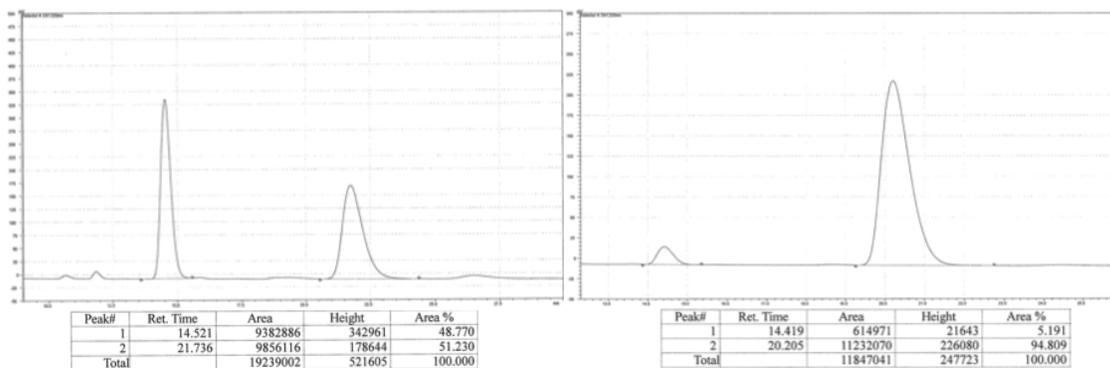
(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-phenylpent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.12): 44% yield was obtained with 3:1 alkene:carbonate (**1.35**). IR (neat): 3027 (w), 2977 (m), 2925 (w), 1452 (m), 1367 (s), 1319 (s), 1270 (w), 12134(w), 1164 (m), 1143 (s), 968 (m), 911 (m), 847 (m), 756 (m), 699 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.25–7.09 (5H, m), 5.68 (1H, ddt, *J* = 17.2, 10.0, 7.2 Hz), 4.96–4.88 (2H, m), 2.96–2.88 (1H, m), 2.40–2.27 (2H, m), 1.23 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.4, 6.6 Hz), 1.14–1.08 (1H, m), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.09 (6H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 146.9, 137.3, 128.2, 127.6, 126.0, 116.1, 83.1, 43.9, 41.5, 24.83, 24.78; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆B₁O₂ [M+H]⁺: 273.2026, Found: 273.2015. Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ +6.7 (*c* 0.30, CHCl₃) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison

with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



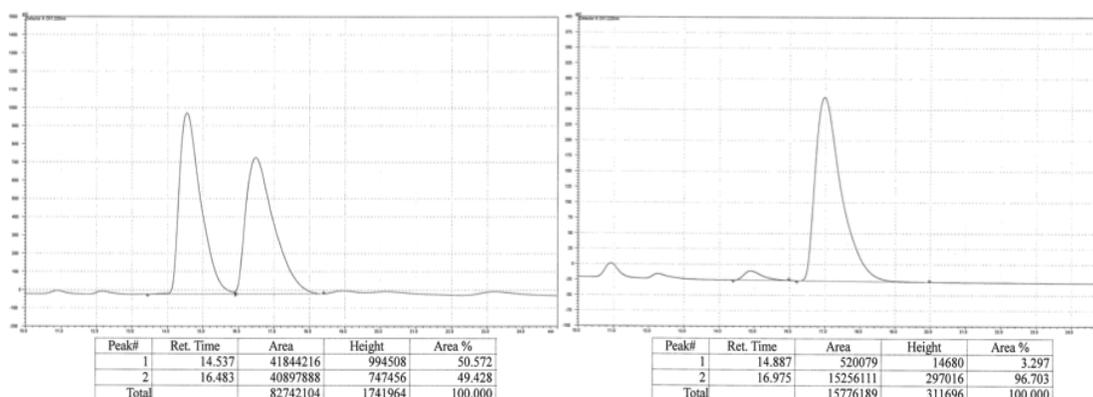
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1	16.604	50.067	1	17.223	5.239
2	20.296	49.933	2	20.890	94.761

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(*o*-tolyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.13): IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2928 (w), 1365 (s), 1317 (s), 1144 (s), 968 (m), 911 (m), 846 (m), 758 (m), 726 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.20 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.14 (1H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 7.09–7.01 (2H, m), 5.74–5.63 (1H, m), 4.99–4.91 (2H, m), 3.23 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.3$ Hz), 2.38–2.24 (2H, m), 2.36 (3H, s), 1.23 (1H, dd, $J = 14.6, 7.8$ Hz), 1.12 (1H, dd, $J = 16.0, 8.0$ Hz), 1.05 (s, 6H), 1.03 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 145.1, 137.3, 135.7, 130.0, 126.1, 125.6, 116.1, 83.0, 43.6, 36.0, 24.7, 20.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 287.2182, Found: 287.2177; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +8.8$ (c 1.32, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



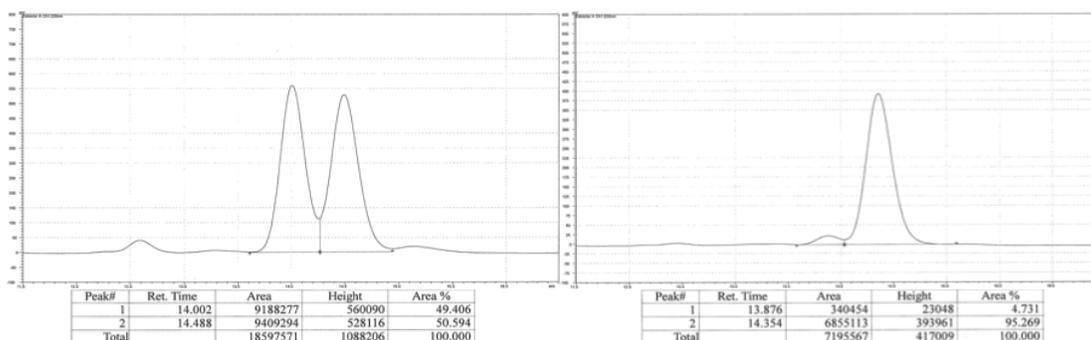
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1	14.521	48.770	1	14.419	5.191
2	21.736	51.230	2	20.205	94.809

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(*m*-tolyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.14): IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2922 (w), 1366 (s), 1319 (s), 1144 (s), 968 (m), 847 (m), 704 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.15 (1H, dd, $J = 9.0, 6.2$ Hz), 7.00 (1H, s), 6.97–6.93 (2H, m), 5.72–5.62 (1H, m), 4.98–4.89 (2H, m), 2.89 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 2.40–2.26 (5H, m), 1.25–1.18 (1H, m), 1.11–1.03 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 146.9, 137.5, 137.46, 128.4, 128.1, 126.7, 124.5, 116.0, 83.1, 43.7, 41.4, 24.82, 24.79, 21.6; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 287.2182, Found: 287.2188; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +16.9$ (c 0.98, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 97:3 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



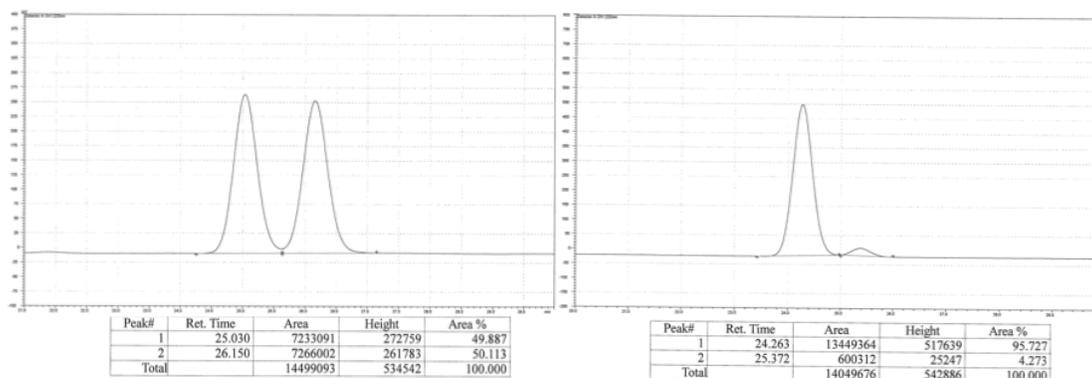
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1	14.537	50.572	1	14.887	3.297
2	16.483	49.428	2	16.975	96.703

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(*p*-tolyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.15): IR (neat): 2977 (m), 2924 (m), 1514 (w), 1368 (s), 1322 (s), 1145 (s), 968 (m), 911 (m), 846 (m), 813 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz): δ 7.09 (2H, d, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 7.06 (2H, d, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 5.71–5.64 (1H, m), 4.97–4.90 (2H, m), 2.91 (1H, app pent, $J = 5.0$ Hz), 2.39–2.30 (5H, m), 1.21 (1H, dd, $J = 9.8, 4.2$ Hz), 1.12–1.06 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 150 MHz): δ 143.9, 137.5, 135.3, 128.9, 127.4, 116.0, 83.1, 43.8, 41.0, 24.84, 24.81, 21.1; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 287.2182, Found: 287.2184; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +8.6$ (c 1.00, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	14.002	49.406	1	13.876	4.731
2	14.488	50.594	2	14.354	95.269

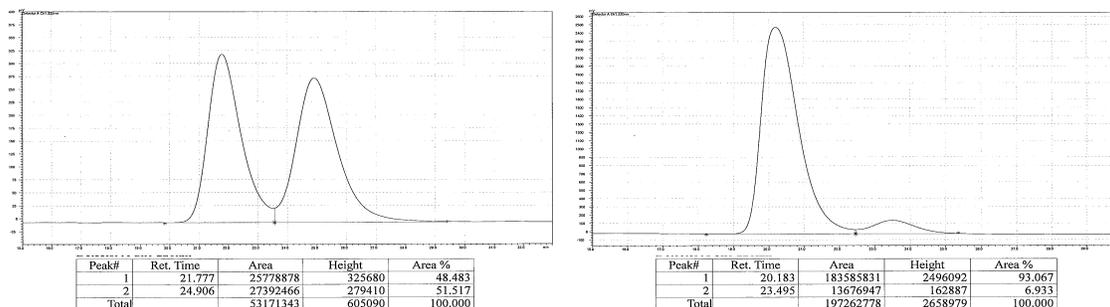
(R)-Trimethyl(4-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)phenyl)silane (1.16): IR (neat): 3068 (w), 2977 (m), 2955 (m), 2926 (w), 1640 (w), 1599 (w), 1365 (s), 1322 (s), 1164 (m), 1144 (s), 1110 (m), 997 (m), 968 (m), 911 (m), 837 (s), 757 (m), 725 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.41 (2H, d, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 7.23–7.17 (2H, m), 5.70 (1H, dddd, $J = 16.8, 10.1, 7.6, 6.5$ Hz), 4.98 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 2.5, 1.4$ Hz), 4.93 (1H, ddt, $J = 10.1, 2.1, 1.0$ Hz), 2.99–2.88 (1H, m), 2.46–2.26 (2H, m), 1.29–1.20 (2H, m), 1.09 (6H, s), 1.08 (6H, s), 0.23 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 147.6, 137.5, 137.3, 133.2, 127.0, 116.1, 83.0, 43.5, 41.4, 24.8, 24.7, $-0.8, -0.9$; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{34}\text{BO}_2\text{Si}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 345.2421, Found: 345.2431; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +8.2$ (c 0.85, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 96:4 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel AZ-H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	25.030	49.887	1	24.263	95.727
2	26.150	50.113	2	25.372	4.273

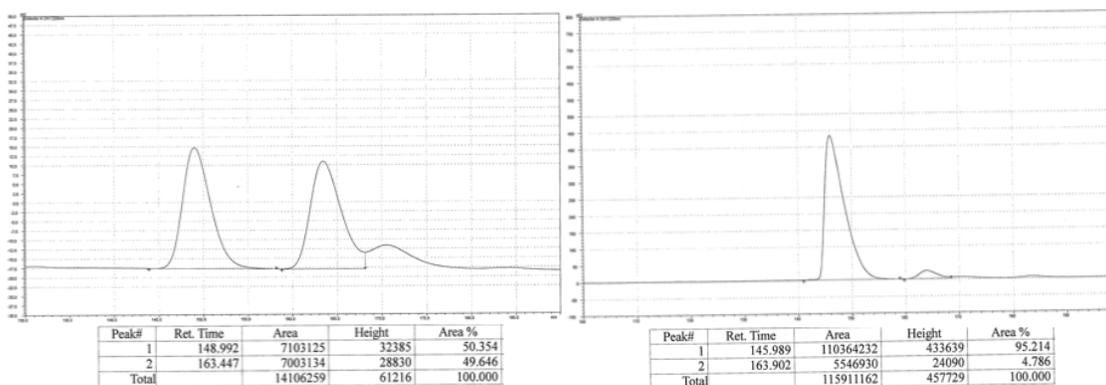
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(1.17): IR (neat): 2976 (w), 2975 (w), 1367 (s), 1312 (s), 1251 (w), 1142 (s), 967 (m), 846 (m), 792 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.22 (1H, d, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 7.83 (1H, dd, $J = 7.9, 1.6$ Hz), 7.68 (1H, dd, $J = 6.9, 2.5$ Hz), 7.56–7.37 (4H, m), 5.75 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 7.0$ Hz), 5.06–4.91 (2H, m), 3.90 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.3$ Hz), 2.66–2.53 (1H, m), 2.50–2.38 (1H, m), 1.47–1.35 (1H, m), 1.35–1.23 (1H, m), 1.04 (6H, s), 0.96 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 143.2, 137.2, 134.0, 131.8, 128.8, 126.4, 125.6, 125.6, 125.3, 123.9, 123.4, 116.4, 83.1, 43.3, 35.0, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 323.2182, Found: 323.2185; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +5.6$ (c 1.08, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 93:7 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (93:7 er shown; Chiralcel OJ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	21.777	48.483	1	20.183	93.067
2	24.906	51.517	2	23.495	6.933

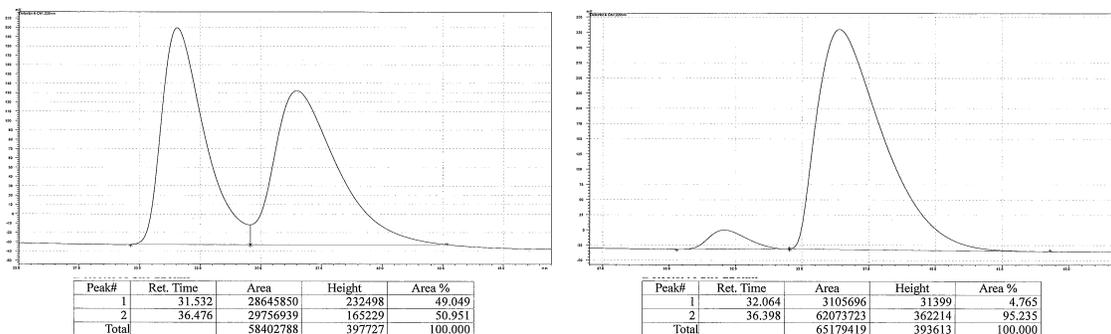
(R)-6-Methyl-2-(4-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)phenyl)-1,3,6,2-dioxazaborocane-4,8-dione (1.18): IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2927 (w), 1765 (s), 1457 (w), 1370 (m), 1334 (m), 1293 (m), 1235 (m), 1145 (m), 1040 (m), 993 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.40 (2H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.23 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.69–5.59 (1H, m), 4.96–4.88 (2H, m), 3.93 (2H, d, $J = 16.4$ Hz), 3.75 (2H, d, $J = 16.0$ Hz), 2.95 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.51 (3H, s), 2.38–2.32 (2H, m), 1.23 (1H, dd, $J = 15.2, 7.2$ Hz), 1.12–1.06 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 167.5, 149.0, 137.1, 132.2, 127.7, 116.3, 83.1, 61.8, 47.5, 43.6, 41.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{35}\text{B}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$ $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$: 445.2681, Found: 445.2689. Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +6.4$ (c 0.87, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the product from oxidation/acetylation in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OC–H column, 98% hexanes, 2% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	148.992	50.354	1	145.989	95.214
2	163.447	49.646	2	163.902	4.786

(R)-2-(2-(3-(Allyloxy)phenyl)pent-4-enyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

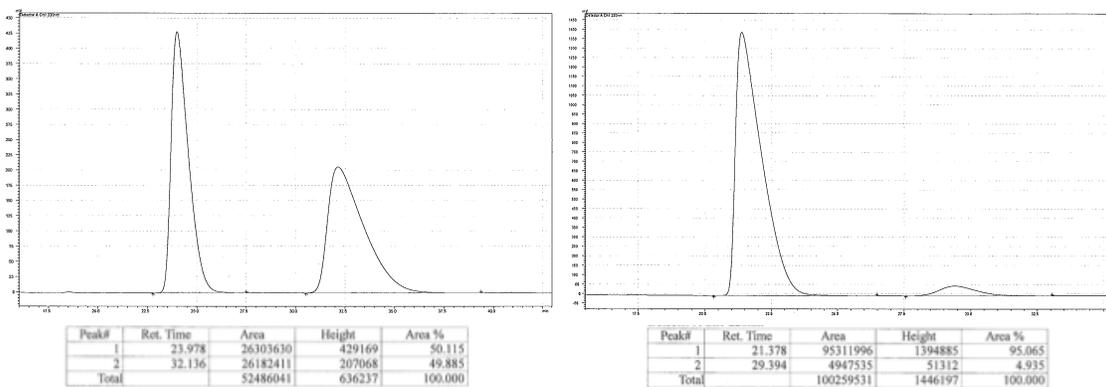
(1.19): IR (neat): 3076 (w), 2977 (w), 2925 (w), 1600 (m), 1583 (m), 1422 (s), 1366 (s), 1265 (m), 1142 (s), 1034 (w), 913 (m), 846 (m), 776 (m), 699 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.16 (1H, t, $J = 7.9$ Hz), 6.84–6.76 (2H, m), 6.71 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.2, 2.6, 0.9$ Hz), 6.06 (1H, ddt $J = 17.3, 10.6, 5.3$ Hz), 5.67 (1H, dddd, $J = 16.9, 10.1, 7.5, 6.6$ Hz), 5.40 (1H, dd, $J = 17.3, 1.6$ Hz), 5.27 (1H, dd, $J = 10.5, 1.5$ Hz), 5.00–4.87 (2H, m), 4.52 (2H, dt, $J = 5.3, 1.5$ Hz), 3.04–2.82 (1H, m), 2.43–2.26 (2H, m), 1.29–1.16 (2H, m), 1.12 (6H, s), 1.11 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 158.6, 148.7, 137.3, 133.7, 129.1, 120.2, 117.6, 116.2, 114.2, 112.2, 83.1, 68.8, 43.7, 41.5, 24.85, 24.82; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{30}\text{B}_1\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 329.2288, Found: 329.2295; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +6.4$ (c 1.17, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	31.532	49.049	1	32.064	4.765
2	36.476	50.951	2	36.398	95.235

(R)-2-(2-(2-Methoxyphenyl)pent-4-enyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(1.20): IR (neat): 2976 (w), 2929 (w), 2836 (w), 1599 (w), 1585 (w), 1491 (m), 1464 (w), 1438 (w), 1368 (s), 1318 (s), 1215 (s), 1143 (s), 1101 (s), 1031 (m), 968 (m), 909 (m), 885 (w), 749 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.17–7.10 (2H, m), 6.88 (1H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 6.81 (1H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.75–5.65 (1H, m), 4.96–4.88 (2H, m), 3.81 (3H, s), 3.42 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.44–2.26 (2H, m), 1.26–1.19 (1H, m), 1.16–1.08 (1H, m), 1.11 (6H, s), 1.08 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 157.2, 137.8, 135.1, 127.8, 126.7, 120.4, 115.7, 110.6, 82.9, 55.5, 42.3, 33.9, 24.80, 24.77; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_1\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 303.2132, Found: 303.2128; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +13.9$ (c 1.61, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

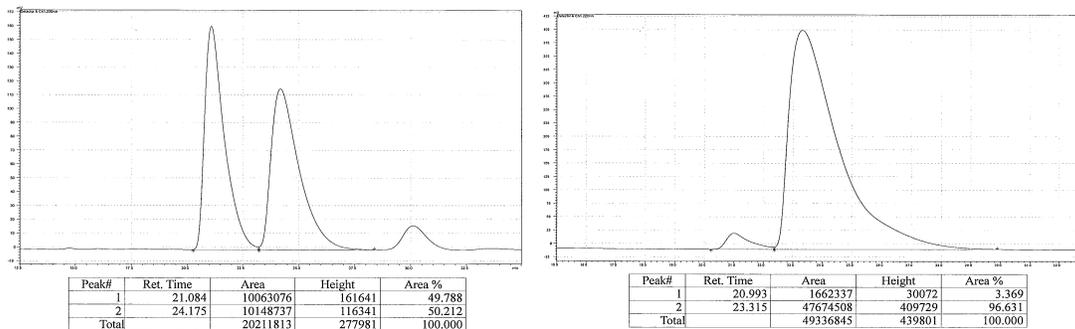


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	23.978	50.115	1	21.378	95.065
2	32.136	49.885	2	29.394	4.935

(R)-2-(2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pent-4-enyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(1.21): 40% yield was obtained with 6:1 (0.6 mmol: 0.1 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**).

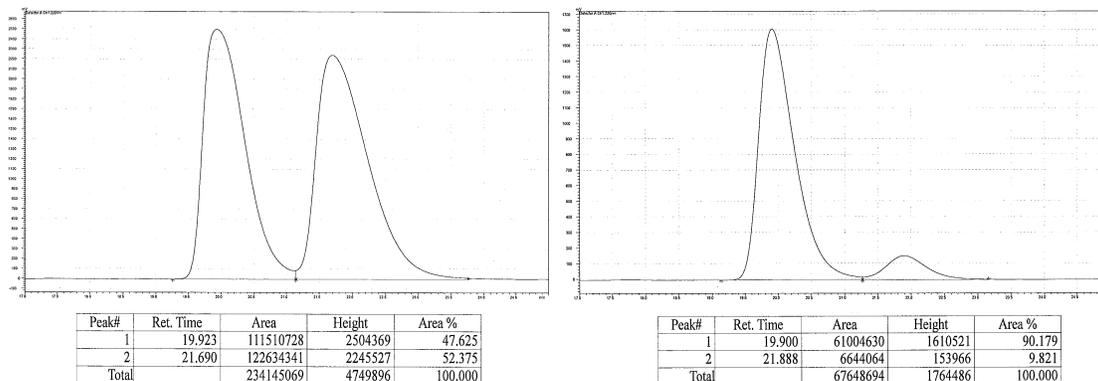
IR (neat): 2976 (w), 2926 (w), 2834 (w), 1610 (w), 1511 (s), 1366 (s), 1319 (m), 1244 (s), 1214 (w), 1177 (m), 1165 (s), 1143 (w), 1104 (m), 1037 (m), 967 (m), 910 (w), 885 (w), 846 (m), 828 (m), 806 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.12 (2H, dd, $J = 6.4$, 2.0 Hz), 6.80 (2H, dd, $J = 6.4$, 2.0 Hz), 5.67 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2$, 9.6, 7.2 Hz), 4.97–4.90 (2H, m) 3.77 (3H, s), 2.94–2.86 (1H, m), 2.38–2.26 (2H, m), 1.25–1.18 (1H, m), 1.11–1.04 (13H, m). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 157.9, 139.1, 137.4, 128.4, 116.0, 113.6, 83.1, 55.4, 44.1, 40.7, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{BO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 303.2132, Found: 303.2126; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +9.8$ (c 0.76, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 97:3 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	21.084	49.788	1	20.993	3.369
2	24.175	50.212	2	23.315	96.631

(R)-2-(2-(Benzofuran-2-yl)pent-4-enyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

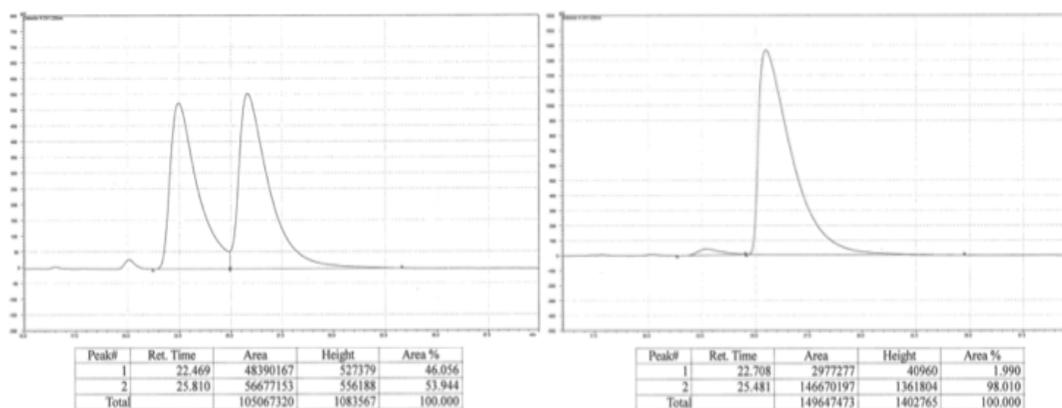
(1.22) : IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2928 (w), 1584 (w), 1455 (m), 1370 (s), 1321 (s), 1253(w), 1142 (s), 1006 (m), 912 (m), 846 (m), 796 (m), 749 (s), 738 (s), 671 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.49–7.44 (1H, m), 7.42–7.38 (1H, m), 7.22–7.13 (2H, m), 6.38 (1H, s), 5.76 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.1, 7.1$ Hz), 5.08–4.96 (2H, m), 3.26–3.16 (1H, m), 2.63–2.53 (1H, m), 2.49–2.38 (1H, m), 1.23 (2H, d, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 1.20 (6H, s), 1.18 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 163.3, 154.7, 136.3, 129.0, 123.1, 122.4, 120.4, 117.0, 110.9, 101.4, 83.3, 40.3, 35.0, 24.94, 24.88; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{26}\text{BO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 313.1975, Found: 313.1987; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +17.2$ (c 1.67, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 90:10 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (90:10 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	19.923	47.625	1	19.900	90.179
2	21.690	52.375	2	21.888	9.821

***tert*-Butyl (*R*)-5-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (1.23)**: Following the representative procedure except for 6:1 (0.6 mmol: 0.1 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2977 (m), 2927 (w), 1731 (s), 1469 (m), 1441 (w), 1352 (s), 1318 (s), 1253 (m), 1162 (s), 1141 (s), 1081 (m), 1022 (m), 968 (w), 846 (w), 766 (m), 725 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.00 (1H, d, $J = 8$ Hz), 7.54 (1H, d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 7.38 (1H, d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 7.17 (1H, dd, $J = 8.8, 2.0$ Hz), 6.50 (1H, d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 5.68 (1H, ddt, $J = 17, 10.4, 6.4$ Hz), 4.98–4.88 (2H, m), 3.04 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 2.46–2.34 (2H, m), 1.66 (9H, s), 1.30–1.25 (1H, m), 1.19–1.13 (1H, m), 1.09 (6H, s), 1.08 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 150.1, 141.4, 137.5, 133.8, 130.7, 125.9, 124.1, 119.5, 116.0, 114.8, 107.5, 83.5, 83.1, 44.2, 41.4, 28.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{35}\text{B}_1\text{N}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 412.2659, Found: 412.2653; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +17.1$ (c 0.43, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 98:2 or Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in

comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown; Chiralcel AD-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	22.469	46.056	1	22.708	1.990
2	25.810	53.944	2	25.481	98.010

tert-Butyl (R)-3-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-

yl)benzoate (1.24): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3

mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2929 (w), 1713 (s), 1440 (w),

1390 (w), 1367 (s), 1320 (m), 1294 (s), 1161 (s), 1144 (s), 1110 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400

MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.83 (1H, dd, $J = 1.6, 1.2$ Hz), 7.78 (1H, ddd, $J = 7.7, 2.3, 1.1$ Hz), 7.37

(1H, dd, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz), 7.30 (1H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 5.66 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.0, 7.2$ Hz),

4.98–4.91 (2H, m), 3.04–2.96 (1H, m), 2.44–2.32 (2H, m), 1.59 (9H, s), 1.25 (1H, dd, $J =$

15.8, 7.0 Hz), 1.20–1.06 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 166.2, 147.1, 137.0,

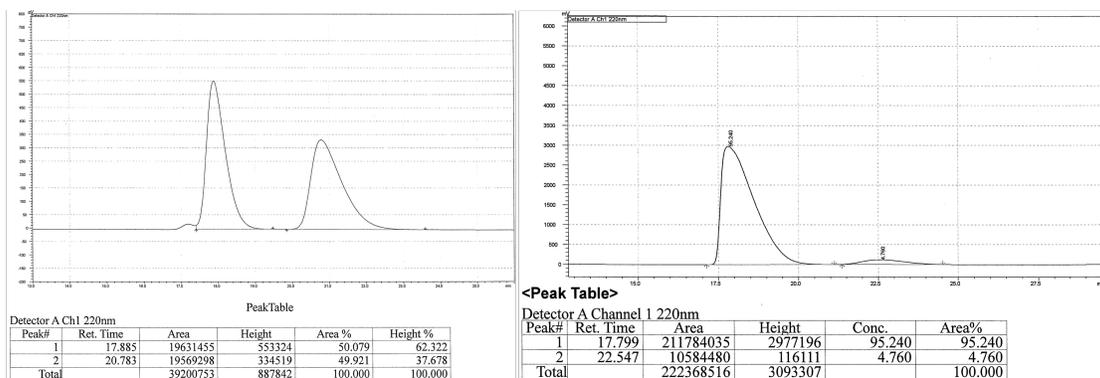
131.9, 131.6, 128.8, 128.1, 127.2, 116.5, 83.2, 80.9, 43.4, 41.4, 28.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS

(DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{34}\text{B}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 373.2550, Found: 373.2565; Specific Rotation:

$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +4.9$ (c 1.05, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er

Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic

racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OZ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

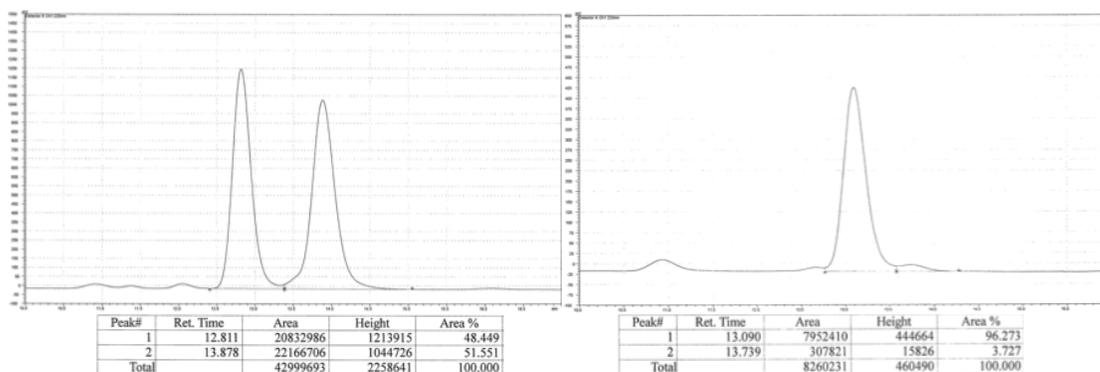


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	17.885	50.079	1	17.799	95.240
2	20.783	49.921	2	22.547	4.760

tert-Butyl (R)-3-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)-5,5-d₂benzoate [1.24-d₂ (S_N2')]: Following the representative procedure except **1.11-d₂** and **L3b** was used. IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2929 (w), 1713 (s), 1367 (s), 1320 (m), 1295 (s), 1162 (s), 1145 (s), 1111 (m), 968 (m), 848 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.83 (1H, t, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 7.78 (1H, dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz), 7.37 (1H, dt, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz), 7.30 (1H, t, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 5.65 (1H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 3.04–2.96 (1H, m), 2.44–2.32 (2H, m), 1.59 (9H, s), 1.25 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.2, 6.0 Hz), 1.11 (6H, s), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.12–1.06 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 166.2, 147.1, 136.8, 131.9, 131.6, 128.8, 128.1, 127.2, 83.2, 80.9, 43.3, 41.4, 28.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₂₂H₃₅D₂B₁N₁O₄ [M+NH₄]⁺: 392.2941, Found: 392.2954.

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.25): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1

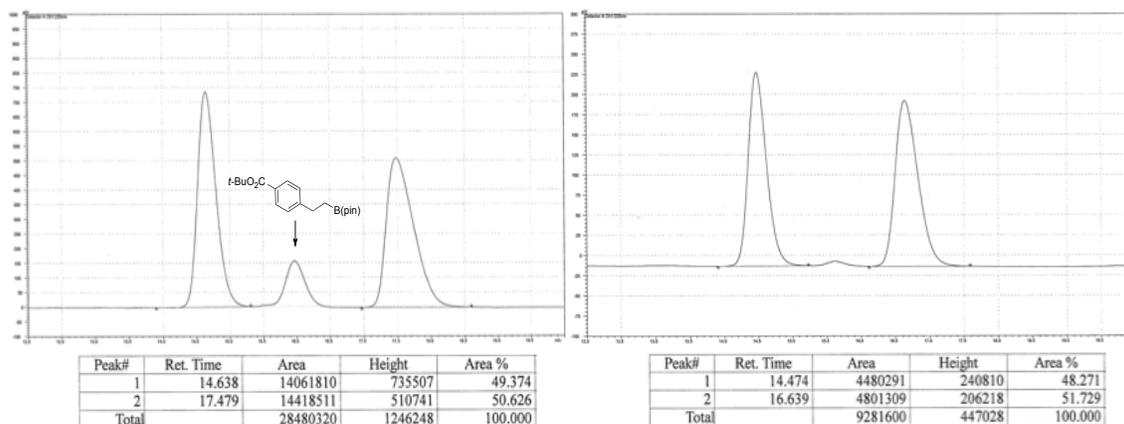
mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:carbonate (**1.35**) used. IR (neat): 2979 (w), 2928 (w), 1363 (m), 1312 (s), 1145 (s), 1124 (s), 1036 (m), 768 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.58 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.50–7.43 (2H, m), 7.26–7.22 (1H, m), 5.70 (1H, ddt, $J = 18.0, 10.0, 7.2$ Hz), 4.99–4.92 (2H, m), 3.42 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.45–2.25 (2H, m), 1.26 (1H, dd, $J = 15.4, 7.0$ Hz), 1.14 (1H, dd, $J = 15.6, 8.4$ Hz), 1.08 (6H, s), 1.05 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 146.5, 136.7, 131.8, 128.2 (q, $J = 29.0$ Hz), 128.18, 125.7, 125.6, 124.7 (q, $J = 272.5$ Hz), 116.6, 83.1, 43.9, 36.0, 24.7, 18.6 (br, C–B); HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{25}\text{B}_1\text{F}_3\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 341.1900, Found: 341.1903; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +11.9$ (c 1.20, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 88:12 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	12.811	48.449	1	13.090	96.273
2	13.878	51.551	2	13.739	3.727

tert-Butyl (R)-4-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)benzoate (1.26): IR (neat): 2978 (m), 2930 (w), 1712 (s), 1609 (w), 1367 (s), 1312 (m), 1290 (s), 1166 (s), 1145 (s), 1116 (s), 848 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ

7.88 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.24 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.68–5.58 (1H, m), 4.96–4.90 (2H, m), 3.00 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.35 (2H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.58 (9H, s), 1.27–1.21 (1H, m), 1.14–1.08, (1H, m) 1.12 (6H, s), 1.11 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 166.1, 152.0, 136.8, 129.9, 129.5, 127.4, 116.5, 83.2, 80.8, 43.5, 41.5, 28.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{34}\text{B}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 373.2550, Found: 373.2534; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -3.0$ (c 1.00, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 67:33 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (52:48 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

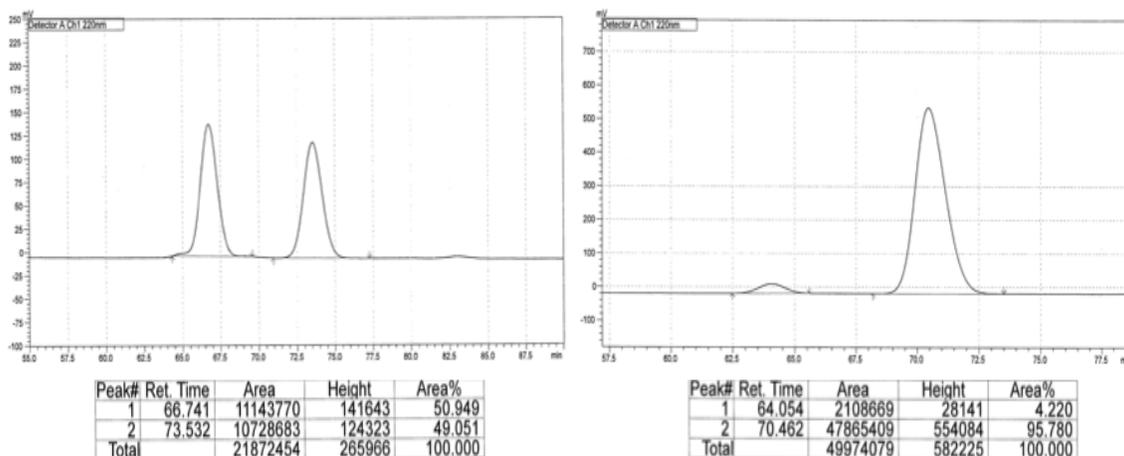


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	14.638	49.374	1	14.474	48.271
2	17.479	50.626	2	16.639	51.729

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-

dioxaborolane (1.27): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:carbonate (**1.35**) used. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁵ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.58 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.50–7.43 (2H, m), 7.26–7.22 (1H, m), 5.70 (1H, ddt, $J = 18.0, 10.0, 7.2$ Hz), 4.99–4.92 (2H, m), 3.42 (1H,

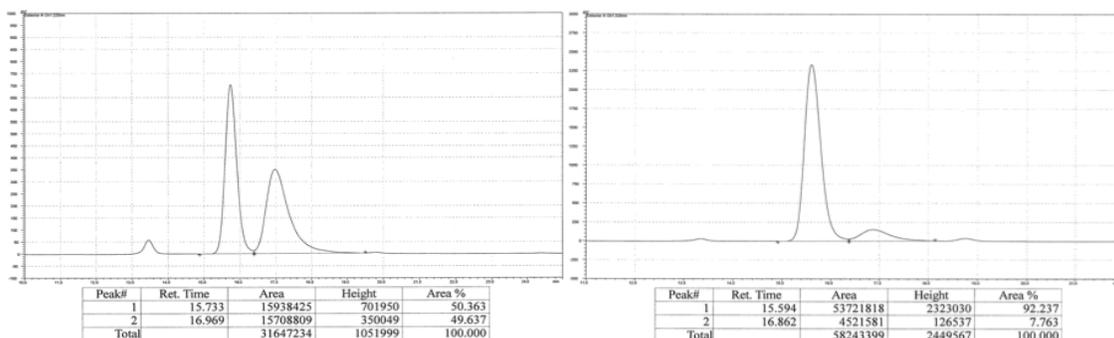
app pent, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.45–2.25 (2H, m), 1.26 (1H, dd, $J = 15.4, 7.0$ Hz), 1.14 (1H, dd, $J = 15.6, 8.4$ Hz), 1.08 (6H, s), 1.05 (6H, s). Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} +6.1$ (c 0.45, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 96:4 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 99% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	66.741	50.949	1	64.054	4.220
2	73.532	49.051	2	70.462	95.780

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)phenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.28): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2977 (m), 2925 (m), 2041 (w), 2034 (w), 2024 (w), 1611 (m), 1399 (m), 1360 (s), 1319 (m), 1271 (w), 1144 (m), 1090 (s), 964 (w), 860 (w), 830 (w), 660 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.70 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.21 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.73–5.57 (1H, m), 4.97–4.88 (2H, m), 3.01–2.90 (1H, m), 2.43–2.28 (2H, m), 1.33 (12H, s), 1.28–1.16 (2H, m), 1.12

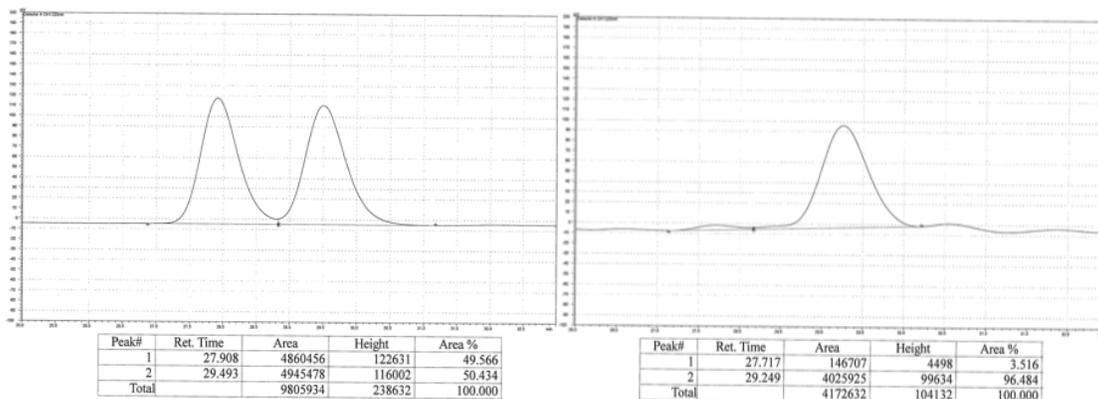
(6H, s), 1.11 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 150.4, 137.2, 134.8, 127.0, 116.2, 83.6, 83.1, 43.5, 41.6, 25.0, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{40}\text{B}_2\text{N}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$: 416.3143, Found: 416.3158; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +9.1$ (c 1.02, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 92:8 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (92:8 er shown; Chiralcel AZ-H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	15.733	50.363	1	15.594	92.237
2	16.969	49.637	2	16.862	7.763

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(3-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)phenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.29): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2977 (m), 2926 (w), 2035 (w), 1611 (w), 1457 (w), 1399 (m), 1360 (s), 1320 (m), 1271 (w), 1214 (w), 1144 (s), 1090 (m), 964 (w), 860 (w), 829 (w), 659 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.66 (1H, s), 7.60 (1H, d, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 7.34–7.23 (2H, m), 5.68 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.1$, 10.1, 7.0 Hz), 4.97 (1H, dd, $J = 17.2$, 1.9 Hz), 4.94–4.89 (1H, m), 3.03–2.91 (1H, m), 2.49–2.29 (2H, m), 1.34 (6H, s), 1.33 (6H, s), 1.27–1.17 (2H, m), 1.10 (12H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 146.2, 137.5, 134.2, 132.5, 130.3, 127.6, 116.0, 83.7, 83.0, 43.3,

41.4, 25.0, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{23}H_{37}B_2O_4$ $[M+H]^+$: 399.2878, Found: 399.2887; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} +5.8$ (c 0.43, $CHCl_3$) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 96.5:3.5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96.5:3.5 er shown; Chiralcel OD-H column, 98% hexanes, 2% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

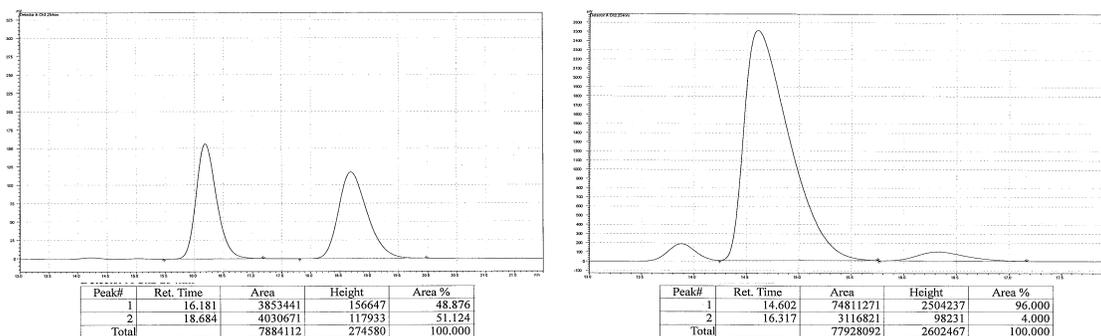


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	27.908	49.566	1	27.717	3.516
2	29.493	50.434	2	29.249	96.484

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(naphthalen-2-yl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(1.30): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2976 (w), 2923 (s), 2853 (m), 1639 (w), 1362 (s), 1315 (s), 1143 (s), 968 (m), 911 (m), 847 (s), 814 (s), 744 (s), 476 (s) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.81–7.73 (3H, m), 7.65–7.62 (1H, m), 7.46–7.35 (3H, m), 5.76–5.64 (1H, m), 5.01–4.89 (2H, m), 3.19–3.08 (1H, m), 2.55–2.37 (2H, m), 1.28–1.17(2H, m), 1.06 (6H, s), 1.07 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 144.5, 137.2, 133.6, 132.3, 127.82, 127.78, 127.74, 127.68, 126.3, 125.81, 125.79, 125.1, 116.3, 83.1, 43.6, 41.6, 24.85, 24.77; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{21}H_{28}B_1O_2$ $[M+H]^+$: 323.2182, Found:

323.2194; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} +16.4$ (c 0.72, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 96:4 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OZ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 254 nm).

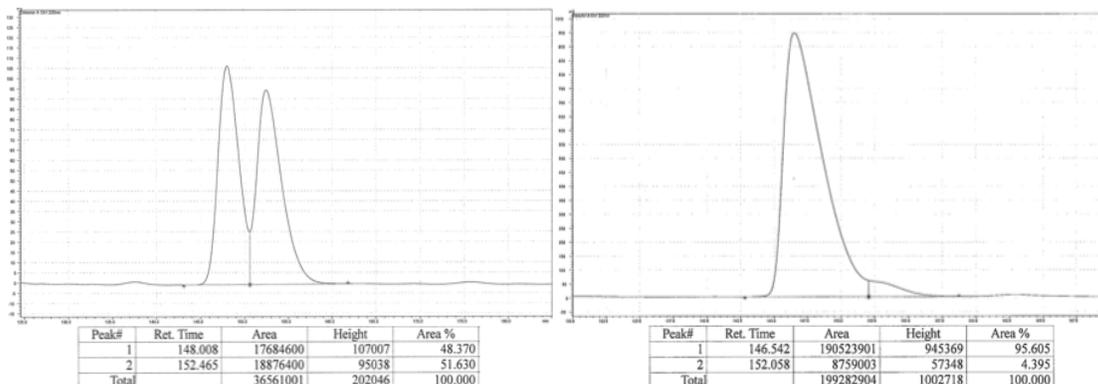


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	16.181	48.876	1	14.602	96.000
2	18.684	51.124	2	16.317	4.000

(R)-2-(2,4-Diphenylpent-4-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.31):

Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 3027 (w), 2977 (w), 2929 (w), 1494 (m), 1452 (w), 1369 (s), 1320 (s), 1145 (s), 699 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.39–7.36 (2H, m), 7.33–7.19 (5H, m), 7.14–7.09 (3H, m), 5.15 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 4.83 (1H, d, $J = 1.2$ Hz), 2.96 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 2.87 (1H, dd, $J = 13.8, 7.0$ Hz), 2.73 (1H, dd, $J = 13.6, 8.0$ Hz), 1.26 (1H, dd, $J = 15.6, 6.8$ Hz), 1.13 (1H, dd, $J = 15.6, 9.2$ Hz), 1.07 (6H, s), 1.05 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 146.9, 146.8, 141.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 126.6, 125.9, 114.5, 83.1, 45.7, 39.9, 24.8, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{30}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 349.2339, Found: 349.2347; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{20}^D -11.9$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 88:12 er Enantiomeric purity was

determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

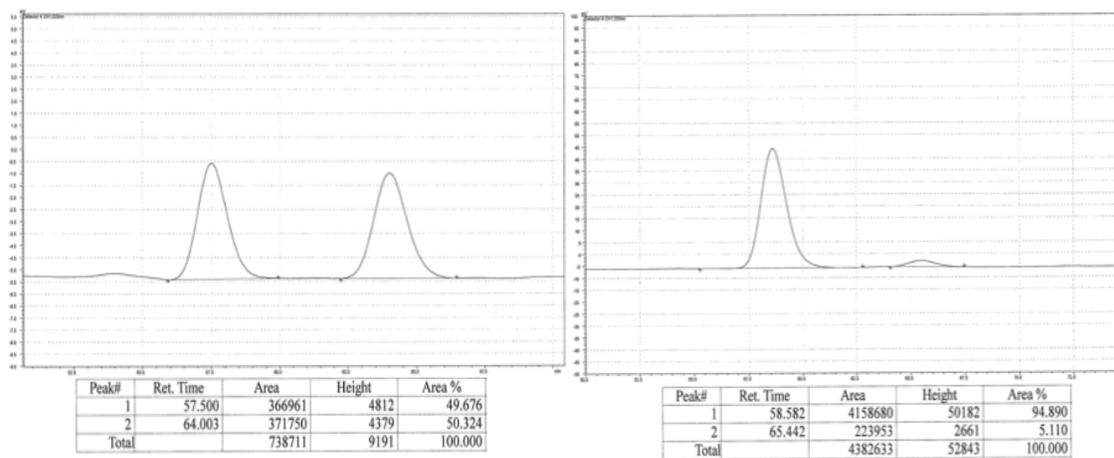


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	148.008	48.370	1	146.542	95.605
2	152.465	51.630	2	152.058	4.395

(*R*)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-methyl-2-phenylpent-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

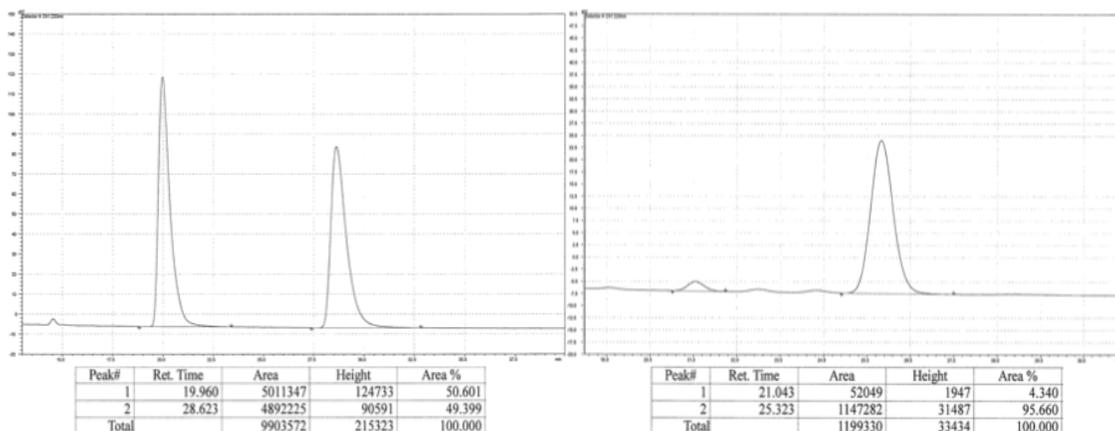
(1.32): Following the representative procedure except for 1:6 (0.1 mmol: 0.6 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 3028 (w), 2978 (m), 2929 (m), 1453 (w), 1369 (s), 1320 (m), 1145 (s), 968 (w), 888 (w), 699 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.24–7.18 (4H, m), 7.13–7.10 (1H, m), 4.64 (1H, s), 4.56 (1H, s), 3.03 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 2.29 (2H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 1.65 (3H, s), 1.24–1.16 (1H, m), 1.09–1.03 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 147.2, 144.3, 128.1, 127.5, 125.9, 112.4, 83.0, 48.3, 39.8, 24.83, 24.75, 22.5; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 287.2182, Found: 287.2189; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +5.7$ (c 0.33, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 90:10 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol

product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralpak AD–H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



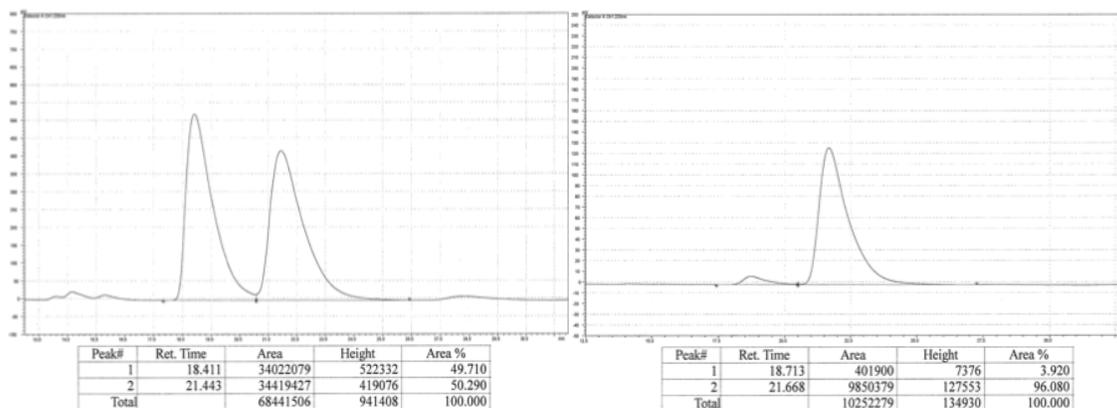
Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	57.500	49.676	1	58.582	94.890
2	64.003	50.324	2	65.442	5.110

(R)-Trimethyl(4-phenyl-5-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-1-en-2-yl)silane (1.33): IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2955 (w), 1368 (s), 1319 (m), 1247 (m), 1145 (s), 968 (w), 836 (s), 757 (m), 699 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.25–7.18 (4H, m), 7.15–7.10 (1H, m), 5.45–5.44 (1H, m), 5.31 (1H, d, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 3.06–2.98 (1H, m), 2.49–2.35 (1H, m), 1.26–1.20 (1H, m), 1.09–1.01 (13H, m), 0.07 (9H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 150.3, 147.4, 128.1, 127.7, 126.5, 125.8, 83.0, 45.9, 40.7, 24.9, 24.8, –1.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{34}\text{B}_1\text{O}_2\text{Si}_1$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 345.2421, Found: 345.2424. Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +7.9$ (c 0.33, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	19.960	50.601	1	21.043	4.340
2	28.623	49.399	2	25.323	95.660

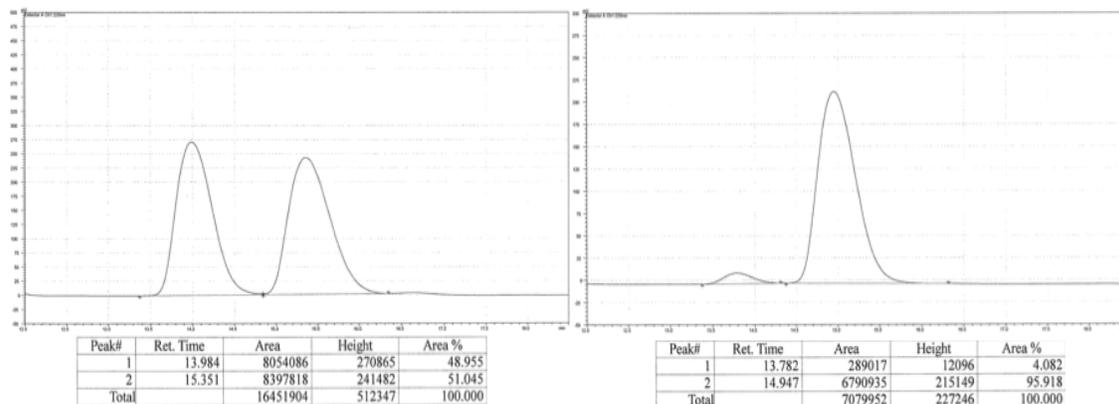
(R)-4-(3-(Allyloxy)phenyl)-5-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-1-en-2-yl)trimethylsilane (1.34): IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2954 (w), 1600 (w), 1584 (w), 1366 (m), 1317 (m), 1247 (m), 1144 (s), 924 (m), 836 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.14 (1H, t, $J = 6.2$ Hz), 6.80–6.77 (2H, m), 6.69 (1H, dd, $J = 6.4, 2.0$ Hz), 6.10–6.02 (1H, m), 5.45–5.38 (2H, m), 5.32–5.26 (2H, m), 4.52–4.51 (2H, m), 2.99 (1H, app pent, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 2.45 (1H, dd, $J = 11.2, 6.0$ Hz), 2.38 (1H, dd, $J = 11.2, 6.0$ Hz), 1.21 (1H, dd, $J = 14.0, 3.6$ Hz), 1.11 (6H, s), 1.09 (6H, s), 1.02 (1H, dd, $J = 12.2, 7.0$ Hz), 0.07 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.5, 150.3, 149.3, 133.8, 129.0, 126.5, 120.4, 117.5, 114.3, 112.1, 83.0, 68.8, 45.7, 40.7, 24.9, 24.8, -1.2 ; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{38}\text{B}_1\text{O}_3\text{Si}_1$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 401.2683, Found: 401.2695; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +4.7$ (c 0.88, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OD-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	18.411	49.710	1	18.713	3.920
2	21.443	50.290	2	21.668	96.080

(R)-2-(2-(2-Fluorophenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

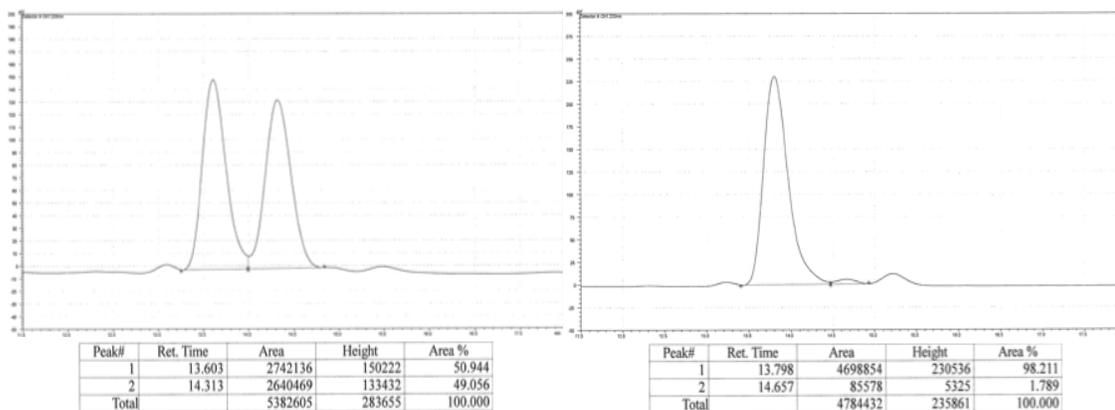
(1.36): Following the representative procedure except **135** was used. IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2931 (w), 1765 (s), 1490 (m), 1401 (s), 1369 (s), 1223 (m), 1144 (s), 968 (m), 913 (m), 846 (m), 754 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.21 (1H, td, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz), 7.13–7.10 (1H, m), 7.09–7.02 (1H, m), 6.98–6.94 (1H, m), 5.68 (1H, ddt, $J = 16.8, 10.4, 6.8$ Hz), 4.97–4.90 (2H, m), 3.35–3.27 (1H, m), 2.43–2.32 (2H, m), 1.28–1.22 (1H, m), 1.19–1.08 (1H, m), 1.11 (6H, s), 1.08 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 160.9 (d, $J = 243.7$ Hz), 136.9, 133.5 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz), 128.8 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz), 127.3 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 123.9 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 116.4, 115.3 (d, $J = 22.8$ Hz), 83.1, 42.5, 34.3, 24.8, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{25}\text{B}_1\text{F}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 291.1932, Found: 291.1937; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +14.2$ (c 0.87, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 96:4 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	13.984	48.955	1	13.782	4.082
2	15.351	51.045	2	14.947	95.918

(R)-2-(2-(4-Fluorophenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

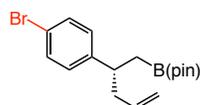
(1.37): Following the representative procedure except **1.35** was used. IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2925 (w), 2855 (w), 1604 (w), 1509 (s), 1369 (s), 1322 (m), 1223 (m), 1144 (s), 968 (w), 912 (w), 832 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.17–7.13 (2H, m), 6.98–6.91 (2H, m), 5.65 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.0, 7.2$ Hz), 4.96–4.91 (2H, m), 2.97–2.89 (1H, m), 2.36–2.27 (2H, m), 1.26–1.16 (1H, m), 1.09–1.04 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.4 (d, $J = 241.3$ Hz), 142.5 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 137.0, 128.9 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 116.4, 114.9 (d, $J = 20.5$ Hz), 83.2, 44.0, 40.8, 24.8, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{25}\text{B}_1\text{F}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 291.1932, Found: 291.1939; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +14.9$ (c 1.20, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 92:8 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown; Chiralcel OZ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



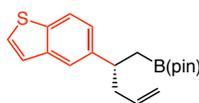
Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	13.603	50.944	1	13.798	98.211
2	14.313	49.056	2	14.657	1.789

1.5.4 Additional Examples of Single-Catalyzed Multicomponent Reaction

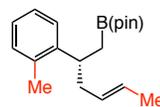
Scheme 1.24 Additional Substrates Scope



1.72
62% yield,
90:10 e.r.



1.73
61% yield,
95:5 e.r.

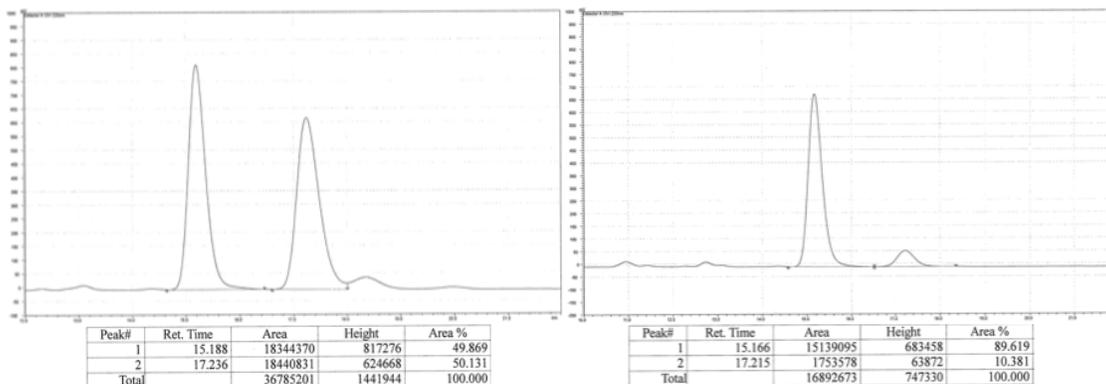


1.74
50% yield, >98% S_N2',
92:8 e.r. (E & Z)

(R)-2-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(1.72): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2926 (w), 1488 (w), 1368 (s), 1320 (s), 1143 (s), 1073 (m), 1010 (m), 968 (m), 913 (m), 846 (m), 820 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37 (2H, d, *J* = 6.4, Hz), 7.07 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 5.63 (1H, ddt, 17.2, 10.0, 7.2 Hz), 4.97–4.91 (2H, m), 2.94–2.87 (1H, m), 2.32 (2H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 1.21 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.4, 6.6 Hz), 1.12 (6H, s), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.09–1.03 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.9, 136.8, 131.2, 129.4, 119.6, 116.5, 83.2, 43.6, 41.0, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS

(DART): Calcd for $C_{17}H_{25}B_1Br_1O_2$ $[M+H]^+$: 351.1131, Found: 351.1141; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} +4.1$ (c 0.85, $CHCl_3$) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 90:10 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (90:10 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

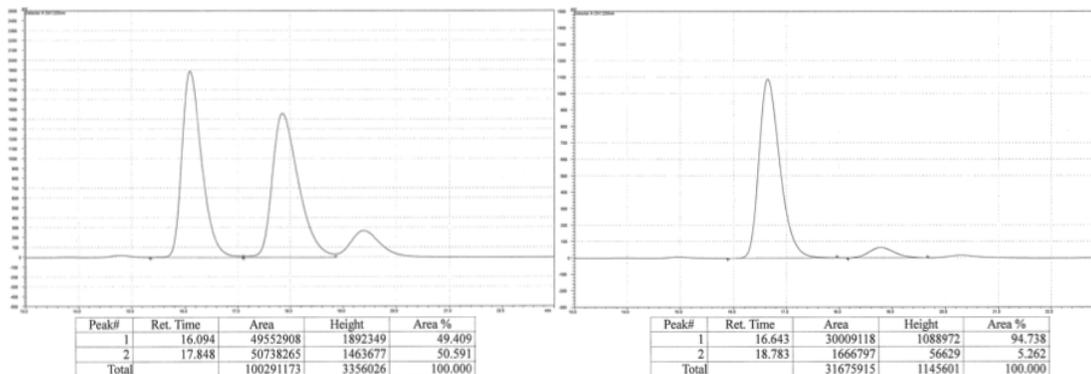


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	15.188	49.869	1	15.166	89.619
2	17.236	50.131	2	17.215	10.381

(R)-2-(2-(Benzo[b]thiophen-5-yl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-

dioxaborolane (1.73): Following the representative procedure except for 1:3 (0.1 mmol: 0.3 mmol) alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 3073 (w), 2976 (w), 2924 (w), 1365 (s), 1319 (s), 11142 (s), 846 (m), 820 (m), 699 (s) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.76 (1H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.65 (1H, s), 7.38 (1H, dd, $J = 5.4, 0.6$ Hz), 7.27 (1H, d, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 7.22 (1H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.74–5.64 (1H, m), 4.97 (1H, d, $J = 17.2$ Hz), 4.92 (1H, dd, $J = 10.4, 0.8$ Hz), 3.08 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.48–2.36 (2H, m), 1.30 (1H, dd, $J = 15.8, 7.0$ Hz), 1.17 (1H, dd, $J = 15.4, 9.0$ Hz), 1.07 (12H, s); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 152.3, 140.0, 139.2, 136.4, 124.0, 123.4, 122.9, 122.3, 119.8, 116.9, 83.4, 43.8,

37.6, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆B₁O₂S₁ [M+H]⁺: 329.1747, Found: 329.1744; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +18.0 (*c* 1.23, CHCl₃) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; Chiralcel OZ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

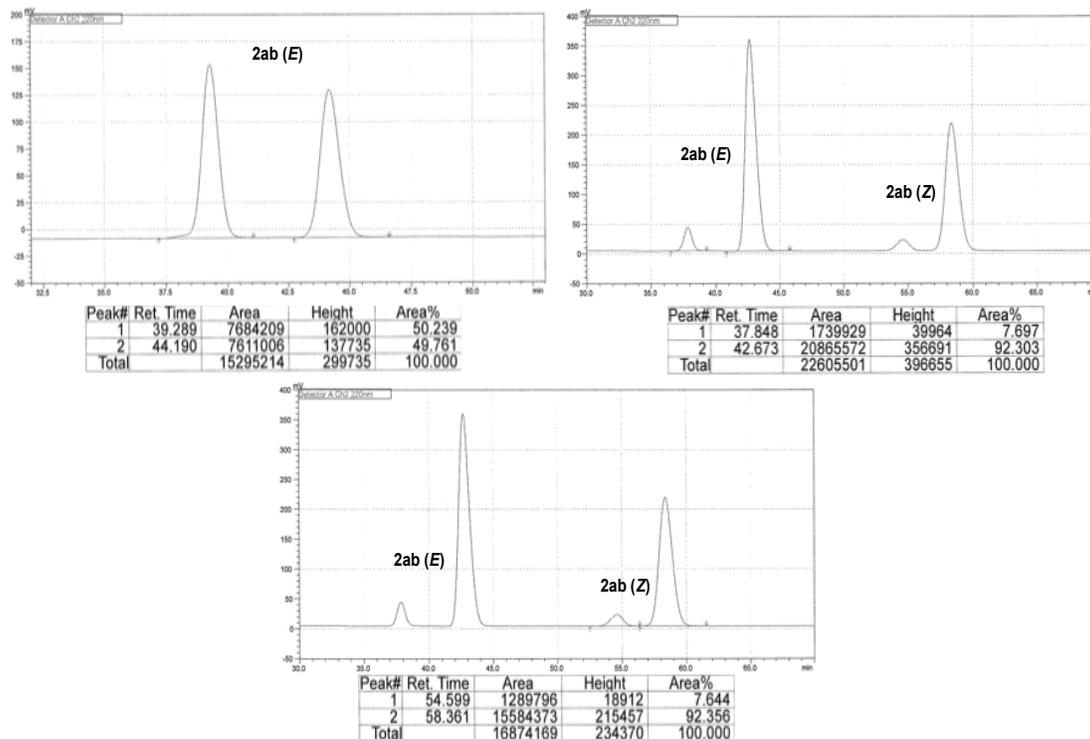


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	16.094	49.409	1	16.643	94.738
2	17.848	50.591	2	18.783	5.262

(R)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-(*o*-tolyl)hex-4-en-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.74):

Following the representative procedure except **L3b** was used. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.26–7.01 (8H, m, *E/Z*), 5.46–5.28 (4H, m, *E/Z*), 3.24–3.13 (2H, m, *E/Z*), 2.36 (3H, s, *E*) 2.35 (3H, s, *Z*), 2.32–2.13 (4H, m, *E/Z*), 1.59 (3H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, *E*), 1.54 (3H, d, *J* = 6 Hz, *Z*), 1.23–1.10 (4H, m, *E/Z*), 1.053 (6H, s, *E*), 1.045 (6H, s, *E*), 1.03 (6H, s, *Z*), 1.02 (6H, s, *Z*) Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +6.1 (*c* 0.45, CHCl₃) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 92:8 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material prepared according to the

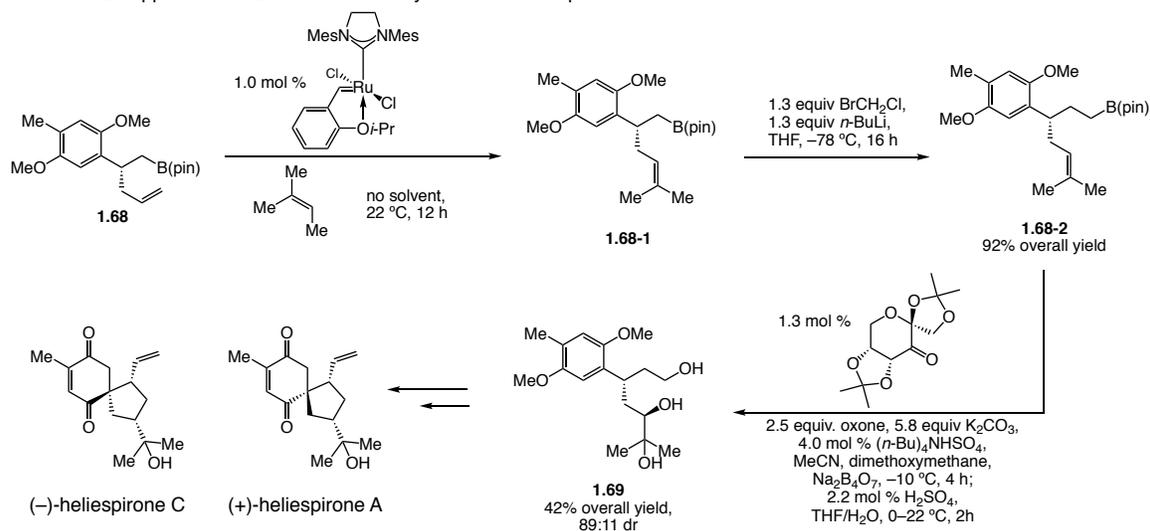
procedure reported previously obtaining *rac-E-1.74*.³⁰ (92:8 er shown for *E* and *Z*; Chiralcel OJ-H column, 98% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1 (<i>rac</i>)	39.389	50.239	1 (<i>E</i>)	37.848	7.697
2 (<i>rac</i>)	44.190	49.761	2 (<i>E</i>)	42.673	92.303
			1 (<i>Z</i>)	54.599	7.644
			2 (<i>Z</i>)	58.361	92.356

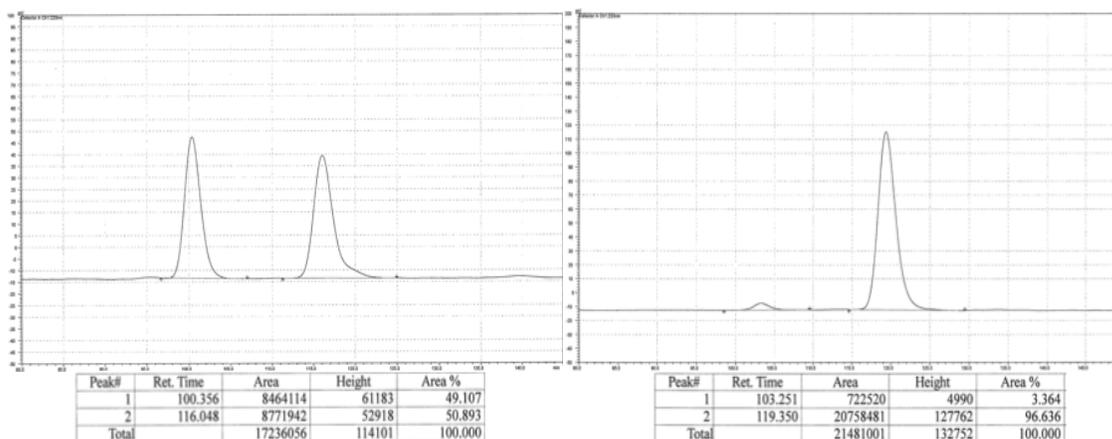
1.5.5 Formal Synthesis of (+)-Heliespirone A and (-)-Heliespirone C

Scheme 1.25 Application to Enantioselective Synthesis of Heliespirone A and C

**(*R*)-2-(2-(2,5-Dimethoxy-4-methylphenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-**

dioxaborolane (1.68): In a N₂-filled glove box, a flame-dried 100 mL round-bottom flask equipped with a stir bar was charged with bisphosphine **L3b** (188 mg, 0.28 mmol), NaOt-Bu (742 mg, 7.7 mmol), and CuCl (26 mg, 0.26 mmol). The flask was sealed with a septum and electrical tape before removal from the glove box. Tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) was added and the resulting yellow solution was allowed to stir for 1 h under N₂ at 22 °C. A solution of B₂(pin)₂ (1.4 g, 5.7 mmol) in thf (15 mL) was added to the mixture at 0 °C, causing the solution to turn dark brown immediately. After 15 min, a solution of **13** (2.75 g, 15.5 mmol) in thf (5 mL) and allylphosphate (**1.11**) [0.92 mL (1.0 g), 5.15 mmol] was added by syringe. The resulting mixture was allowed to stir at 22 °C for 18 h. Then, the mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4x4 cm) and eluted with Et₂O. The organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure, affording yellow oil, which was purified by silica gel chromatography (100% hexanes→hexanes:Et₂O = 10:1) to afford **1.68** as colorless oil (1.1 g, 3.3 mmol, 64% yield) and recovered **1.67** (1.68 g, 9.4 mmol,

91%). IR (neat): 2976 (w), 2931 (w), 2830 (w), 1506 (m), 1465 (m), 1398 (m), 1369 (m), 1316 (m), 1207 (s), 1143 (s), 1046 (s), 968 (m), 846 (m), 802 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 6.68 (1H, s), 6.64 (1H, s), 5.71 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 9.8, 7.4$ Hz), 4.98–4.89 (2H, m), 3.78 (3H, s), 3.76 (3H, s), 3.36 (1H, app pent, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.43–2.25 (2H, m), 2.18 (3H, s), 1.22 (1H, dd, $J = 15.6, 7.6$ Hz), 1.15–1.10 (1H, m), 1.13 (6H, s), 1.10 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 151.7, 151.0, 137.8, 133.2, 124.2, 115.7, 114.4, 110.9, 82.9, 56.5, 56.2, 42.3, 34.2, 24.84, 24.81, 16.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{B}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 347.2394, Found: 347.2377; Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +36.6$ (c 0.56, CHCl_3) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 97:3 er Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown; Chiralpak AD–H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	100.356	49.107	1	103.251	3.364
2	116.048	50.893	2	119.350	96.636

(*R*)-2-(3-(2,5-Dimethoxy-4-methylphenyl)-6-methylhept-5-en-1-yl)-4,4,5,5-

tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.68-2): Compound **1.68** was converted to **1.68-2** by

a two-step sequence olefin cross metathesis/homologation based on the reported procedures except Hoveyda-Grubbs catalyst 2nd generation was used in the cross metathesis.⁴⁰ IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2931 (w), 2854 (w), 1504 (m), 1466 (m), 1398 (m), 1372 (m), 1317 (m), 1208 (s), 1145 (m), 1049 (m), 968 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.65 (1H, s), 6.62 (1H, s), 5.09–5.06 (1H, m), 3.77 (3H, s), 3.73 (3H, s), 3.02 (1H, app pent, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 2.35–2.19 (2H, m), 1.81 (3H, s), 1.80–1.70 (1H, m), 1.68–1.56 (4H, m), 1.54 (3H, s), 1.21 (12H, s), 0.74–0.60 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.9, 151.7, 132.1, 131.7, 124.2, 123.6, 114.5, 110.7, 82.9, 56.6, 56.2, 40.5, 33.8, 29.3, 25.9, 25.0, 24.9, 17.9, 16.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₂₃H₃₈B₁O₄ [M+H]⁺: 389.2863, Found: 389.2862; Specific Rotation: [α]_D²⁰ +18.0 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃).

(3*R*,5*R*)-3-(2,5-Dimethoxy-4-methylphenyl)-6-methylheptane-1,5,6-triol (1.69):

Compound **1.68-2** was converted to **1.69** by a two step sequence enantioselective epoxidation/hydrolysis based on the reported procedures except the oxidation was performed with 2.5 equiv of oxone.⁴¹ The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.72 (1H, s), 6.66 (1H, s), 3.80 (3H, s), 3.79 (3H, s), 3.58–3.53 (2H, m), 3.46–3.35 (2H, m), 2.20 (3H, s), 2.12–2.01 (1H, m), 1.88–1.84 (1H, m), 1.74–1.59 (2H, m), 1.21 (3H, s), 1.15 (3H, s); HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₇H₂₈O₅ [M]⁺: 312.1937, Found: 312.1939. Specific Rotation: [α]_D²⁰ +23.4 (*c* 0.23, CHCl₃). Literature precedence: [α]_D¹³ +29.2(*c* 0.10, CH₂Cl₂).⁴²

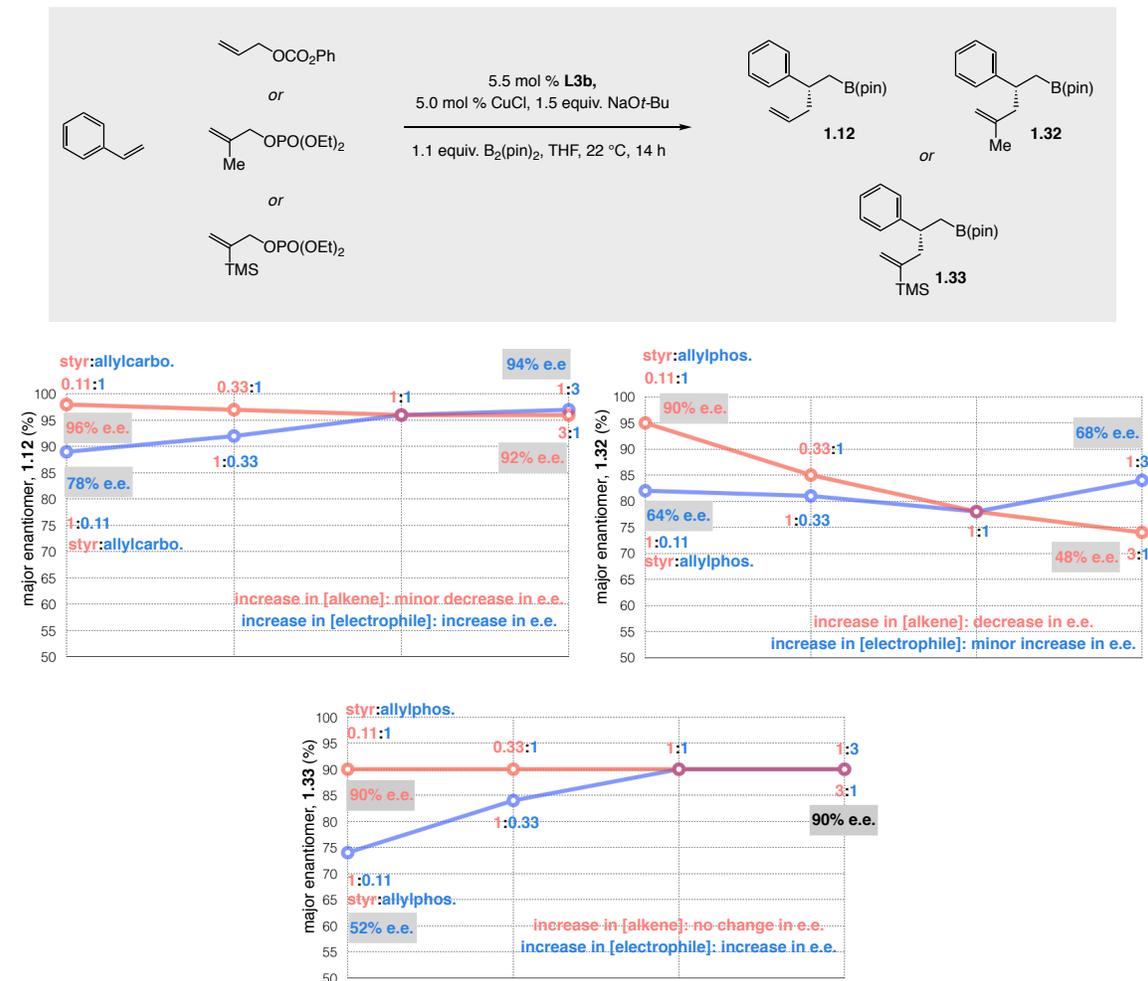
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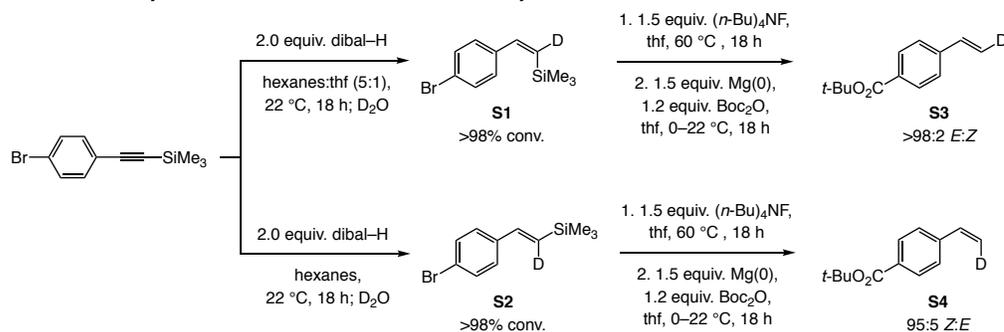
1.5.6 Additional Studies Regarding the Effect of Concentration Changes on Enantioselectivity

Scheme 1.26. Additional Studies Regarding the Effect of Aryl Olefin or Allyl Electrophile Concentration on Enantioselectivity



1.5.7 Study of the Possibility of Epimerization through Isotopic Labeling

Scheme 1.27. Synthesis of *E* and *Z* Deuterium-Labeled Aryl Olefins



(Z)-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)vinyl-1-*d*)trimethylsilane (S1): To a flame-dried round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar was added hexanes (20 mL) under N₂, after which dibal-H (8.6 mL, 48 mmol, USE WITH CAUTION, PYROPHORIC) was added by a gas-tight syringe. The resulting mixture was allowed to cool to 0 °C, and a solution of trimethyl(4-bromophenylethynyl)silane (6.1 g, 24 mmol) in thf (4 mL) was added drop-wise by syringe. The mixture was allowed to stir for an additional 5 min at 0 °C and then warmed to 22 °C and allowed to stir for 23 h. The reaction was then quenched upon drop-wise addition of D₂O (1.2 mL, 72 mmol) at 0 °C and allowed to stir for 1 h at 22 °C. The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel and Rochelle's salt (50 mL) and a saturated solution of aqueous ammonium chloride (40 mL) were added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was washed with Et₂O (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting yellow oil was purified by silica gel chromatography (100% pentane) and Kugelrohr distillation to afford **S1**.

(E)-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)vinyl-1-*d*)trimethylsilane (S2): This compound was prepared similarly to **S1**, except 100% hexanes (24 mL) was used instead of using 16.7% thf.

tert-Butyl-(E)-4-(vinyl-2-*d*)benzoate (S3): To a solution of **S1** in thf (15 mL) was added (*n*Bu)₄NF (1.0 M in thf, 8.25 mL, 8.25 mmol) at 22 °C under N₂. The mixture was allowed to stir at 60 °C for 18 hours after which it was transferred to a separatory funnel; water (25 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous layer was washed with Et₂O (3x20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting yellow oil was purified by Kugelrohr distillation to afford **(E)-1-Bromo-4-(vinyl-2-*d*)benzene** which was converted to **S3** following the

previously reported procedure.³³ The resulting colorless oil was purified by silica gel chromatography and Kugelrohr distillation to afford **S3** as colorless liquid (200 mg, >98% D, >98% E). IR (neat): 2979 (w), 1709 (s), 1608 (w), 1393 (m), 1291 (s), 1162 (s), 1112 (s), 1066 (s), 1067 (m), 865 (s), 771 (s), 702 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.97–7.94 (2H, m), 7.43 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.74 (1H, d, $J = 17.6$ Hz), 5.82 (1H, d, $J = 17.6$ Hz), 1.60 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 165.6, 141.5, 136.1, 131.3, 129.8, 127.2, 126.0, 121.4, 115.9 (t, $J = 24.3$ Hz), 81.0, 28.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{DO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 206.1291; Found: 206.1300.

tert-Butyl-(Z)-4-(vinyl-2-d)benzoate (S4): To a solution of **S2** in thf (15 mL) was added (*n*Bu)₄NF (1.0 M in thf, 8.25 mL, 8.25 mmol) at 22 °C under N₂. The mixture was allowed to stir at 60 °C for 18 h after which it was transferred to a separatory funnel, water (25 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous layer was washed with Et₂O (3x20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting yellow oil was purified by Kugelrohr distillation to afford **(Z)-1-Bromo-4-(vinyl-2-d)benzene** which was converted to **S4** following the previously reported procedure.³³ The product was purified by silica gel chromatography and Kugelrohr distillation to afford **S4** as colorless liquid (199.4 mg, >98%D, 95:5 Z:E). IR (neat): 2977 (w), 1707 (s), 1607 (w), 1367 (m), 1287 (s), 1161 (s), 1104 (s), 1016 (m), 848 (s), 774 (s), 706 (s), 438 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.94 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.43 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.75–6.79 (1H, m), 5.35 (1H, $J = 10.4$ Hz), 1.60 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 165.7, 141.5, 136.2, 131.3, 129.8, 126.1, 116.0 (t, $J = 23.5$ Hz), 81.0, 28.3 HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{DO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 206.1291; Found: 206.1293

tert*-Butyl-4-((1*S*,2*R*)-1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl-1-*d*)benzoate (1.26-*d* from S3)**: Following the representative procedure except **L3b** and 1:3 alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used, **1.26-*d was obtained as colorless oil (60:40 dr, determined from ^1H NMR of the product after oxidation). IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2929 (w), 1711 (s), 1609 (w), 1391 (m), 1364 (s), 1312 (s), 1288 (s), 1255 (m), 1164 (s), 1143 (s), 1112 (s), 850 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.88 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.24 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.63 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.4, 6.8$ Hz), 4.96–4.90 (2H, m), 2.99 (1H, app q, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 2.35 (2H, t, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 1.58 (9H, s), 1.22 (1H, br s), 1.12 (6H, s), 1.11 (2.46H, s, minor), 1.10 (3.54H, s, major); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 150 MHz): δ 166.1, 151.95 (minor), 151.93 (major), 136.8, 129.8, 129.5, 127.4, 116.5, 83.2, 80.8, 43.51 (major), 43.48 (minor), 41.4, 28.4, 24.9, 24.80 (minor), 24.79 (major); HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{33}\text{D}_1\text{B}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 374.2613; Found: 374.2620.

tert*-Butyl-4-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl-1-*d*)benzoate (1.26-*d* from S4)**: Following the representative procedure except **L3b** and 1:3 alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used, **1.26-*d was obtained as colorless oil (35:65 dr, determined from ^1H NMR of the product after oxidation). IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2929 (w), 1711 (s), 1609 (w), 1391 (m), 1364 (s), 1312 (s), 1288 (s), 1255 (m), 1164 (s), 1143 (s), 1112 (s), 850 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.88 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.24 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.63 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.4, 6.8$ Hz), 4.96–4.90 (2H, m), 2.99 (1H, app q, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.35 (2H, t, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 1.58 (9H, s), 1.22 (1H, br s), 1.12 (6H, s), 1.11 (3.76H, s, major), 1.10 (2.24H, s, minor); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 150 MHz): δ 166.1, 151.95 (major), 151.93 (minor), 136.8, 129.8, 129.5, 127.4, 116.5, 83.2, 80.8, 43.51 (minor), 43.48 (major), 41.4, 28.4, 24.9, 24.80 (major), 24.79 (minor); HRMS (DART): Calcd for

$C_{22}H_{33}D_1B_1O_4$ $[M+H]^+$: 374.2613; Found: 374.2620.

***tert*-Butyl-(*E*)-3-(vinyl-2-*d*)benzoate (substrate for synthesis of *anti*-1.24-*d*):**

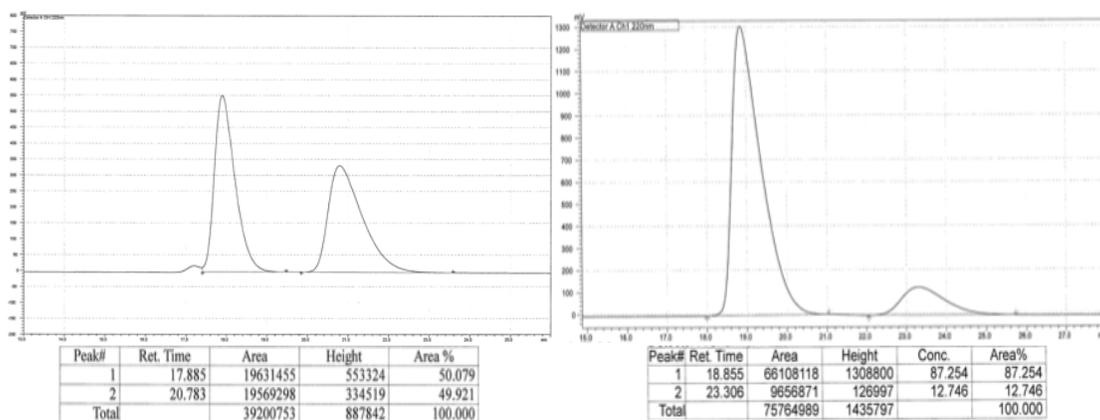
Following the procedure for preparation of **S3** except trimethyl(3-bromophenylethynyl)silane was used. The product was obtained as >98:2 *E:Z*. IR (neat): 2977 (w), 1710 (s), 1367 (m), 1297 (s), 1254 (m), 1157 (s), 1079 (m), 1036 (m), 999 (m), 883 (m), 785 (w), 753 (s), 408 (w) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 8.02 (1H, s), 7.87 (1H, dt, $J = 7.6, 1.2$ Hz), 7.56–7.55 (1H, m), 7.35 (1H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 6.75 (1H, d, $J = 17.6$ Hz), 5.80 (1H, d, $J = 17.6$ Hz), 1.60 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 165.7, 137.7, 136.1, 132.4, 130.1, 128.8, 128.5, 127.3, 114.7 (t, $J = 24.3$ Hz), 81.1, 28.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{13}H_{16}D_1O_2$ $[M+H]^+$: 206.1291, Found: 206.1297.

***tert*-Butyl-(*Z*)-3-(vinyl-2-*d*)benzoate (substrate for synthesis of *syn*-1.24-*d*):** Following

the procedure for preparation of **S4** except trimethyl(3-bromophenylethynyl)silane was used. The product was obtained as 90:10 *Z:E*. IR (neat): 2977 (w), 1711 (s), 1367 (m), 1291 (s), 1277 (s), 1156 (s), 1109 (m), 1082 (m), 848 (m), 818 (m), 755 (m), 697 (m), 406 (w) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 8.03 (1H, t, $J = 2$ Hz), 7.88 (1H, dt, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz), 7.57–7.55 (1H, m), 7.37 (1H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 6.74 (1H, dt, $J = 10.8, 2.4$ Hz), 5.29 (1H, d, $J = 10.8$ Hz), 1.61 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 165.7, 137.7, 136.1, 132.4, 130.1, 128.7, 128.5, 127.3, 114.6 (t, $J = 23.5$ Hz), 81.1, 28.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{13}H_{16}D_1O_2$ $[M+H]^+$: 206.1291, Found: 206.1302.

***tert*-Butyl-3-((1*S*,2*R*)-1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl-1-*d*)benzoate (*anti*-1.24-*d*):** IR (neat): 2977 (m), 2927 (w), 1713 (s), 1479 (w), 1366 (s), 1316 (s), 1295 (s), 1161 (s), 1145 (s), 1111 (m), 755 (m), 697 (w) cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.83 (1H, t, $J = 1.8$ Hz), 7.78 (1H, dt, $J = 8.0, 1.2$ Hz), 7.37 (1H, dt, $J =$

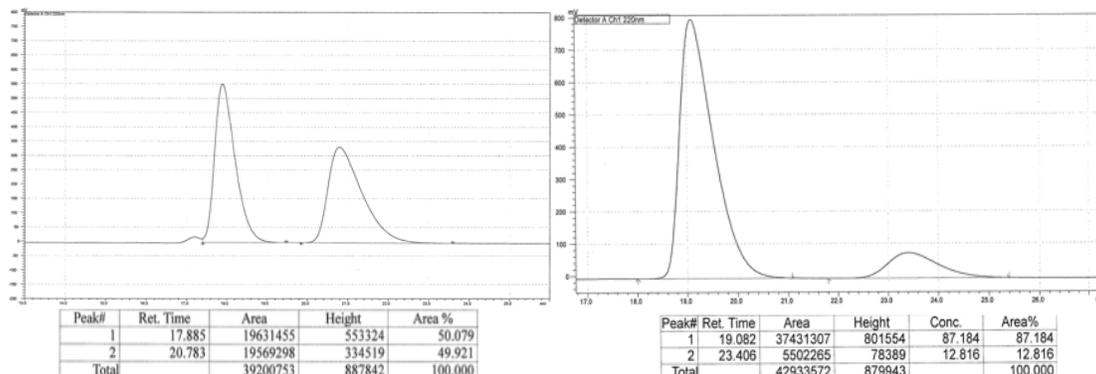
7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.30 (1H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 5.66 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.2$ Hz), 4.99–4.90 (2H, m), 2.99 (1H, q, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 2.44–2.32 (2H, m), 1.59 (9H, s), 1.22 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 1.11 (6H, s), 1.10 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 166.2, 147.1, 137.0, 131.9, 131.6, 128.8, 128.1, 127.2, 116.4, 83.2, 80.9, 43.4, 41.3, 28.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{33}\text{D}_1\text{B}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 374.2613, Found: 374.2614. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (87:13 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	17.885	50.079	1	18.855	87.254
2	20.783	49.921	2	23.306	12.746

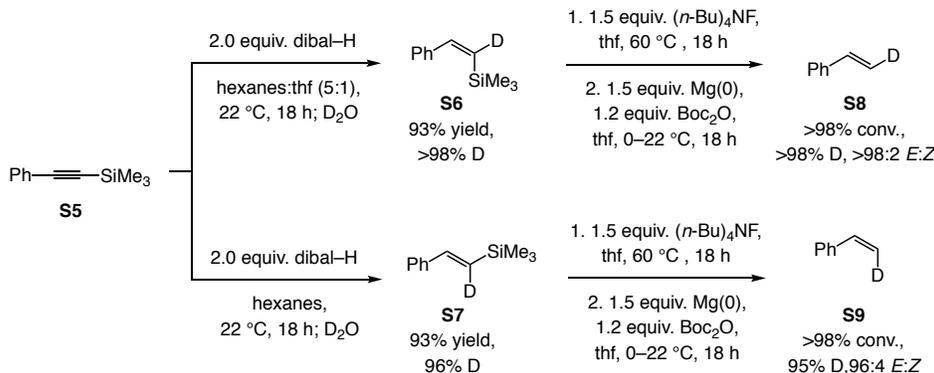
***tert*-Butyl-3-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl-1-*d*)benzoate (*syn*-1.24-*d*):** IR (neat): 2977 (m), 2927 (w), 1713 (s), 1479 (w), 1366 (s), 1316 (s), 1295 (s), 1161 (s), 1145 (s), 1111 (m), 755 (m), 697 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.83 (1H, t, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 7.78 (1H, dt, $J = 7.6, 1.2$ Hz), 7.37 (1H, dt, $J = 8, 1.6$ Hz), 7.30 (1H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 5.66 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.2$ Hz), 4.99–4.91 (2H, m), 2.99 (1H, q, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 2.44–2.32 (2H, m), 1.59 (9H, s), 1.11 (6H, s), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.07 (1H, d, $J = 9.2$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 166.2, 147.1, 137.0, 131.9,

131.6, 128.8, 128.1, 127.2, 116.5, 83.2, 80.9, 43.4, 41.3, 28.4, 24.9, 24.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{22}H_{33}D_1B_1O_4$ $[M+H]^+$: 374.2613, Found: 374.2614. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (87:13 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	17.885	50.079	1	19.082	87.184
2	20.783	49.921	2	23.406	12.816

Scheme 1.28. Synthesis of *E* and *Z* Deuterium-Labeled Aryl Olefins



(Z)-Trimethyl(2-phenylvinyl-1-*d*)silane (S6): To a flame-dried round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar was added hexanes (20 mL) and thf (4 mL) under N_2 after which dibal–H (8.6 mL, 48 mmol, USE CAUTION, PYROPHORIC) was added through a gas tight syringe. The mixture was allowed to cool to 0 °C (ice/water bath) and

trimethyl(phenylethynyl)silane (4.8 mL, 24 mmol) was added by syringe drop-wise. The mixture was allowed to stir for an additional 5 min at 0 °C and then warm to 55 °C and stir for 23 h. The reaction was quenched upon drop-wise addition of D₂O (0.8 mL, 48 mmol) at 0 °C and stir for additional 1 h at 22 °C. The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel after which Rochelle's salt (30 ml) and a saturated solution of aqueous ammonium chloride (30 ml) were added to separate the layers. The aqueous layer was washed with Et₂O (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The resulting yellow oil was purified by silica gel chromatography (100% pentane) and Kugelrohr distillation to afford **S6** as colorless liquid (4.0 g, 93%, >98% D). IR (neat): 2954 (w), 2897 (w), 1590 (w), 1569 (w), 1491 (w), 1247 (m), 1073 (w), 833 (s), 755 (s), 695 (s), 619 (m), 486 (m), 458 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 7.40–7.21 (6H, m), 0.06 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 146.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.5, 0.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₅DSi [M+H]⁺: 177.1084; Found: 177.1097.

(E)-Trimethyl(2-phenylvinyl-1-*d*)silane (S7): Prepared similarly to **S6**, 100% hexanes was used instead of using 16.7% thf to afford **S7** (4.0 g, 93%, 96% D) as a colorless liquid. IR (neat): 3025 (w), 2954 (w), 1594 (w), 1570 (w), 1494 (w), 1297 (s), 1082 (m), 922 (w), 834 (s), 754 (s), 692 (s), 485 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 7.47–7.41 (2H, m), 7.36–7.13 (3H, m), 6.89–6.85 (1H, m), 0.16 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 143.7, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 126.5, 125.6, -1.1, -1.6; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₅DSi [M+H]⁺: 177.1084; Found: 177.1092.

trans-Styrene-(β)-*d* (S8): To a solution of (*Z*)-trimethyl(2-phenylvinyl-1-*d*)silane (2.5 g, 14 mmol) in thf (15 mL) was added (*n*-Bu)₄NF (21 mL of 1M in thf) at 22 °C under N₂. The mixture was allowed to stir at 60 °C for 18 h, after which it was transferred to a

separatory funnel. Water (25 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous layer was washed with Et₂O (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under house vacuum. The resulting yellow oil was purified by Kugelrohr distillation to afford the product (>98% *E*, >98% *D*) as colorless liquid. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴³ ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.45–7.23 (5H, m), 6.73 (1H, dt, *J* = 17.6, 1.6 Hz) 5.74 (1H, d, *J* = 17.6 Hz)

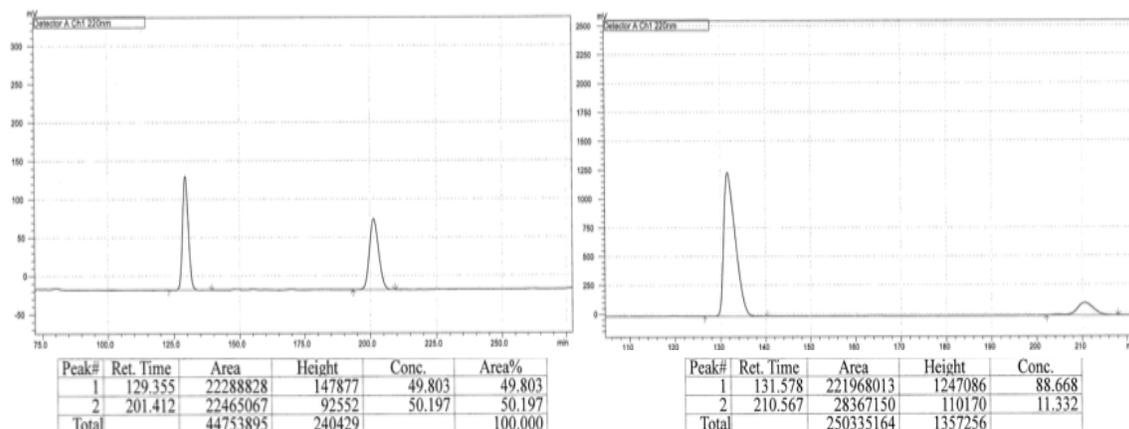
***cis*-Styrene-(β)-*d* (S9):** This compound was prepared similarly to *trans*-Styrene-(β)-*d*, starting from (*E*)-trimethyl(2-phenylvinyl-1-*d*)silane (2.5 g, 14 mmol) and TBAF (56 mL of 1 M in thf) for 18 hours. The product was obtained as colorless liquid (96% *Z*, 95% *D*). The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴³ ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.45–7.22 (5H, m), 6.72 (1H, dt, *J* = 10.9, 2.6 Hz), 5.23 (1H, d, *J* = 10.9 Hz)

2-((1*R*,2*R*)-2,4-Diphenylpent-4-en-1-yl-1-*d*)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(*anti*-1.31-*d*): Following the representative procedure except **L3b** and 6:1 alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2923 (m), 2854 (w), 1453 (w), 1351 (m), 1314 (m), 1214 (w), 1143 (s), 969 (m), 896 (w), 777 (m), 734 (m), 698 (s), 547 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz): δ 7.40–7.36 (2H, m), 7.33–7.29 (2H, m), 7.28–7.19 (3H, m), 7.15–7.09 (3H, m), 5.15 (1H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 4.83 (1H, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 2.95 (1H, q, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 2.87 (1H, dd, *J* = 13.2, 6 Hz), 2.73 (1H, dd, *J* = 12.6, 7.8 Hz), 1.23 (1H, d, *J* = 6), 1.07 (6H, s), 1.05 (6H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz): δ 146.9, 146.8, 141.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 126.6, 125.9, 114.5, 83.0, 45.7, 39.9, 24.9, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₂₂H₂₇DBO₂ [M+H]⁺: 336.2245; Found: 336.2241. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with

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authentic racemic material (89:11 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

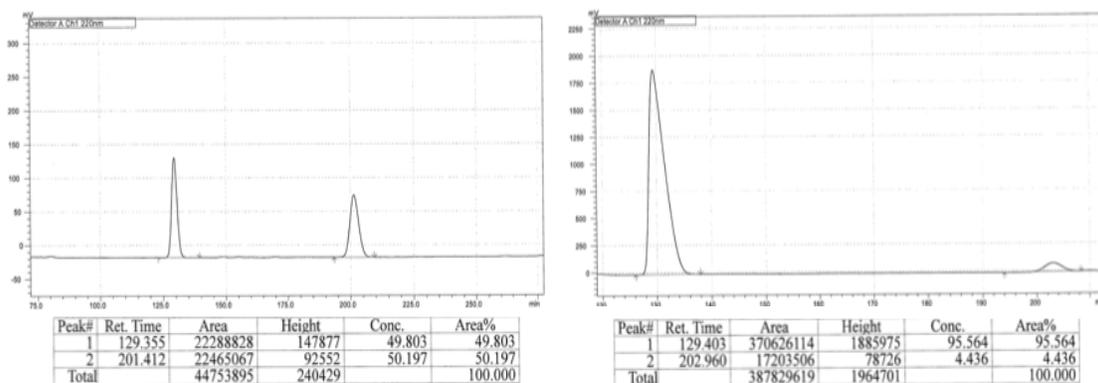


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	129.355	49.803	1	131.578	88.668
2	201.412	50.197	2	210.567	11.332

2-((1*S*,2*R*)-2,4-Diphenylpent-4-en-1-yl-1-*d*)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(*syn*-**1.31-d**): Following the representative procedure except **L3b** and 6:1 alkene:phosphate (**1.11**) used. IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2924 (m), 2854 (w), 1194 (w), 1389 (s), 1316 (s), 1142 (s), 1110 (w), 970 (m), 895 (m), 859 (m), 777 (m), 697 (s), 521 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz): δ 7.42–7.35 (2H, m), 7.34–7.29 (2H, m), 7.28–7.19 (3H, m), 7.14–7.09 (3H, m), 5.15 (1H, d, J = 1.2 Hz), 4.83 (1H, s), 2.96 (1H, q, J = 8.4 Hz), 2.87 (1H, dd, J = 13.8, 6 Hz), 2.73 (1H, dd, J = 13.2, 7.8 Hz), 1.11 (1H, d, J = 9 Hz), 1.08 (6H, s), 1.05 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 150 MHz): δ 146.9, 146.8, 141.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 126.7, 125.9, 114.5, 83.1, 45.6, 39.9, 24.9, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{BO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 336.2245; Found: 336.2245. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with

authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	129.355	49.803	1	129.403	95.564
2	201.412	50.197	2	202.960	4.436

(E)-1-(Trifluoromethyl)-4-(vinyl-2-*d*)benzene (substrate for synthesis of *anti*-1.27-*d*):

Following the procedure for preparation of **S8** except 1-[(Trimethylsilyl)ethynyl]-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene was used. The product was obtained in 91:9 *E*:*Z* selectivity. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.50 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.75 (1H, d, *J* = 17.6 Hz), 5.83 (1H, d, *J* = 17.6 Hz).

(Z)-1-(Trifluoromethyl)-4-(vinyl-2-*d*)benzene (substrate for synthesis of *syn*-1.27-*d*):

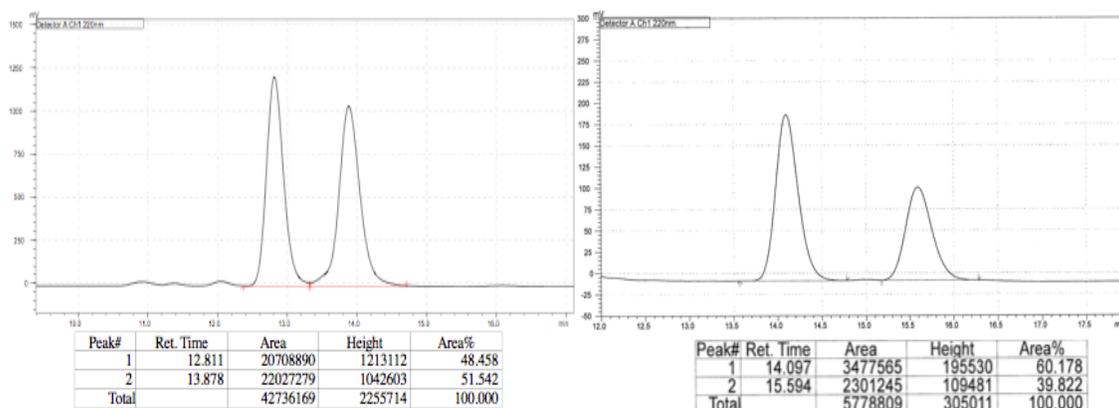
Following the procedure for preparation of **S9** except 1-[(Trimethylsilyl)ethynyl]-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene was used. The product was obtained as a 90:10 ratio of *Z*:*E* isomers. IR (neat): 2954 (m), 2925 (m), 2854 (m), 1325 (s), 1168 (m), 1129 (m), 1068 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.57 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.48 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz),

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6.72 (1H, dt, $J = 11.2, 2.6$ Hz), 5.36 (1H, d, $J = 11.2$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 141.1, 135.7, 129.8 (q, $J = 32.4$ Hz), 126.5, 125.6, 124.3 (q, $J = 270.2$ Hz), 116.3 (t, $J = 23.6$ Hz); HRMS (EI): Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_7\text{D}_1\text{F}_3$ $[\text{M}]^+$: 173.0563, Found: 173.0560.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-((1S,2R)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl-1-d)-

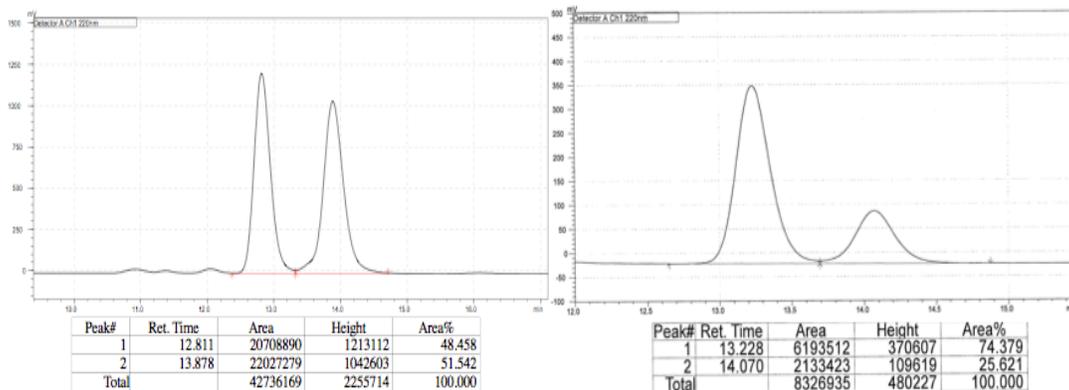
1,3,2-dioxaborolane (*anti*-1.27-d): Following the representative procedure except **L3b** used. IR (neat): 2979 (w), 2926 (w), 1359 (m), 1322 (s), 1162 (m), 1143 (m), 1120 (s), 1069 (m), 836 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.51 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.31 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.64 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.0, 10.2, 7.0$ Hz), 4.98–4.92 (2H, m), 3.00 (1H, q, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 2.36 (2H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.22 (1H, d, $J = 1.2$ Hz), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.08 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 151.1, 136.5, 128.3 (q, $J = 32.1$ Hz), 127.9, 125.1 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 124.5 (q, $J = 270.4$ Hz), 116.7, 83.3, 43.5, 41.4, 24.8, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{24}\text{D}_1\text{B}_1\text{F}_3\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 342.1963, Found: 342.1961. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (60:40 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	12.811	48.458	1	14.097	60.178
2	13.878	51.542	2	15.594	39.822

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-((1R,2R)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-1-yl-1-d)-**1,3,2-dioxaborolane (syn-1.27-d):** Following the representative procedure except **L3b**

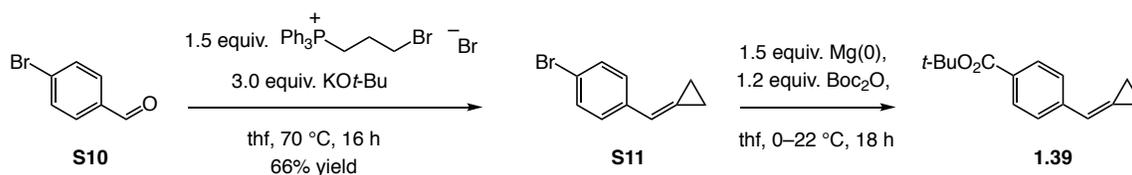
used. IR (neat): 2979 (w), 2926 (w), 1359 (m), 1322 (s), 1162 (m), 1143 (m), 1120 (s), 1069 (m), 836 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.51 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.31 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.64 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 10.4, 6.8$ Hz), 4.98–4.91 (2H, m), 3.00 (1H, q, $J = 7.9$ Hz), 2.36 (2H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.09 (6H, s), 1.10–1.09 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 151.1, 136.5, 128.3 (q, $J = 32.1$ Hz), 127.9, 125.1 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 124.5 (q, $J = 270.2$ Hz), 116.7, 83.3, 43.5, 41.4, 24.8, 24.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{24}\text{D}_1\text{B}_1\text{F}_3\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 342.1963, Found: 342.1961. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (74:26 er shown; Chiralcel OZ–H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	12.811	48.458	1	13.228	74.379
2	13.878	51.542	2	14.070	25.621

1.5.8 Study of the Possibility of Homolytic versus Heterolytic Cu–C Bond Cleavage

Scheme 1.29. Synthesis of Cyclopropane 1.39



1-Bromo-4-(cyclopropylidenemethyl)benzene (S11): Prepared from aldehyde S10 (purchased from Aldrich and used as received) by formerly reported procedure.⁴⁵ The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴⁶ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.46–7.42 (2H, m), 7.40–7.38 (2H, m), 6.70–6.68 (1H, m), 1.42–1.38 (2H, m), 1.20–1.16 (2H, m).

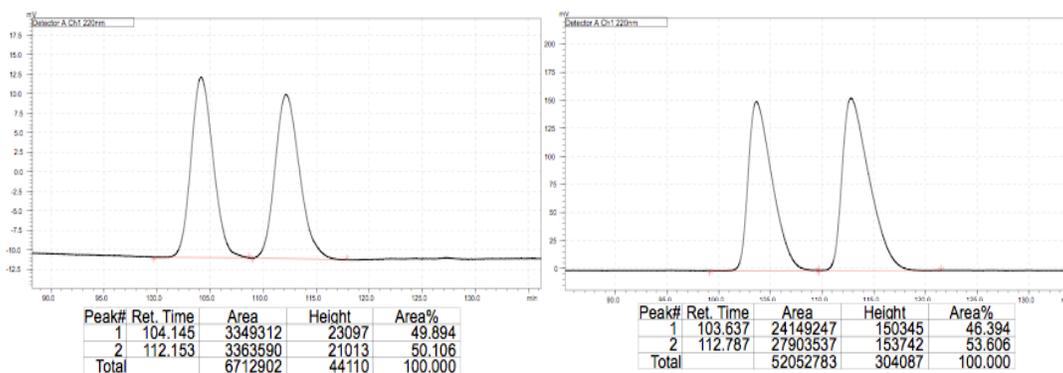
tert-Butyl-4-(cyclopropylidenemethyl)benzoate (1.39): Prepared from S11 according to the reported procedure.³⁵ IR (neat): 2977 (w), 1706 (s), 1606 (m), 1367 (m), 1307 (s), 1292 (s), 1254 (m), 1161 (s), 1107 (s), 1015 (m), 863 (m), 849 (m), 757 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.96 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.55 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.79–6.78 (1H, m), 1.61 (9H, s), 1.48–1.42 (2H, m), 1.22–1.18 (2H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 165.8, 142.3, 130.1, 129.7, 127.6, 126.3, 117.9, 80.8, 28.3, 4.5, 0.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 231.1391, Found: 231.1385.

tert-Butyl-(S)-4-(1-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)cyclopropyl)but-3-en-1-yl)benzoate (1.40): IR (neat): 2976 (w), 2932 (m), 1710 (s), 1640 (w), 1440 (m), 1409 (m), 1290 (s), 1164 (s), 1140 (s), 1113 (s), 851 (s), 708 (m), 685 (m), 420 (w) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.88 (2H, d, $J = 8$), 7.38 (2H, d, $J = 8$), 5.69 (1H, ddt, $J = 17.2, 9.6, 7.2$), 5.00–4.95 (1H, m), 4.89–4.85 (1H, m), 2.75–2.71 (2H, m), 1.20 (1H, t, J

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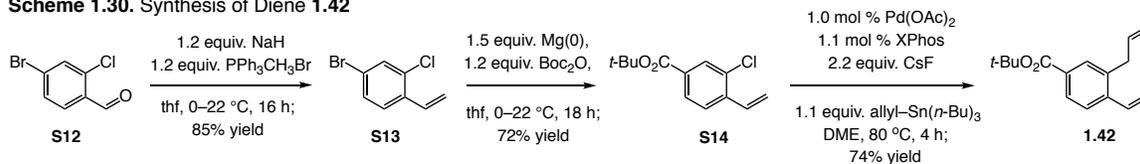
=7.8), 1.58 (9H, s), 1.20 (12H, s), 0.74 (1H, ddd, $J = 9.2, 5.6, 3.2$), 0.66 (1H, ddd, $J = 8, 4.8, 2.8$), 0.41 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.4, 5.2, 3.2$), 0.35 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.4, 5.2, 3.2$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 166.1, 150.3, 138.1, 129.8, 129.2, 128.5, 115.5, 83.1, 80.7, 53.4, 38.8, 28.4, 25.0, 24.5, 14.1, 10.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{36}\text{BO}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 399.2707, Found: 399.2723. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (54:46 er shown; Chiralcel OZ-H column, 99% hexanes, 1% *i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	104.145	49.894	1	103.637	46.394
2	112.153	50.106	2	112.787	53.606

Additional support for cleavage/re-formation of the Cu-C bond is likely to be heterolytic in nature is that with diene **S15** as the substrate, cyclopentenyl product **1.45** was not detected (Scheme 1.12).

Scheme 1.30. Synthesis of Diene 1.42



4-Bromo-2-chloro-1-vinylbenzene (S13): Prepared from aldehyde **S12** (purchased from Combi-Blocks and used as received) following the previously reported procedure.³¹ IR (neat): 3089 (w), 3060 (w), 1579 (m), 1467 (s), 1371 (m), 1085 (m), 1049 (m), 985 (m), 917 (s), 867 (m), 812 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.53 (1H, s), 7.42 (1H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.36 (1H, dd, $J = 8.4, 1.6$ Hz), 7.02 (1H, dd, $J = 17.4, 11.0$ Hz), 5.74 (1H, d, $J = 17.2$ Hz), 5.41 (1H, d, $J = 10.8$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 134.9, 133.9, 132.4, 132.3, 130.2, 127.7, 121.7, 117.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_7\text{Br}_1\text{Cl}_1$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 216.9420, Found: 216.9427.

tert-Butyl-3-chloro-4-vinylbenzoate (S14): Prepared from **S13** according to the reported procedure.³⁵ IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2933 (w), 1716 (s), 1392 (m), 1368 (m), 1298 (s), 1258 (m), 1168 (s), 1118 (s), 773 (m), 849 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.95 (1H, d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 7.83 (1H, dd, $J = 8.5, 2.1$ Hz), 7.59 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.11 (1H, dd, $J = 17.6, 10.8$ Hz), 5.82 (1H, dd, $J = 17.4, 0.6$ Hz), 5.48 (1H, dd, $J = 11.0, 1.0$ Hz), 1.59 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 164.5, 139.5, 133.1, 132.7, 132.5, 130.8, 127.8, 126.3, 118.6, 81.7, 28.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{Cl}_1\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 239.0839,

tert-Butyl-3-allyl-4-vinylbenzoate (1.42): Prepared from **S14** according to the reported procedure.⁴⁷ IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2931 (w), 1709 (s), 1367 (m), 1293 (s), 1253 (s), 1163 (s), 1118 (s), 989 (m), 914 (s), 849 (s) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.82 (1H, dd, $J = 7.8, 1.4$ Hz), 7.78 (1H, d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 7.53 (1H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.97 (1H, dd, $J = 17.2, 11.2$ Hz), 6.01–5.91 (1H, m), 5.73 (1H, dd, $J = 17.4, 1.4$ Hz), 5.39 (1H, dd, $J = 11.2, 1.2$ Hz), 5.10–5.06 (1H, m), 5.00–4.94 (1H, m), 3.48 (2H, dt, $J = 6.4, 1.6$ Hz), 1.59 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 165.8, 140.9, 137.1, 136.4, 134.1, 131.4, 131.0, 127.8,

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125.7, 117.5, 116.4, 81.0, 37.5, 28.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁O₂ [M+H]⁺: 244.1463, Found: 244.1471.

***tert*-Butyl-(*R*)-3-allyl-4-(1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-yl)benzoate (1.43):** IR (neat): 2977 (w), 2930 (w), 1711 (s), 1367 (s), 1298 (s), 1253 (m), 1166 (s), 1143 (s), 1121 (m), 912 (m), 849 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz), 7.75 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 7.27 (1H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.00 (1H, ddt, *J* = 17.0, 10.2, 6.2 Hz), 5.70–5.60 (1H, m), 5.09–5.02 (2H, m), 4.99–4.91 (2H, m), 3.59–3.45 (2H, m), 3.32–3.24 (1H, m), 2.36–2.23 (2H, m), 1.58 (9H, s), 1.26–1.21 (1H, m), 1.08 (6H, s), 1.05 (6H, s), 1.12–1.05 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 166.2, 150.3, 137.6, 137.3, 136.8, 130.6, 129.5, 127.6, 126.4, 116.6, 116.1, 83.2, 80.7, 43.5, 37.4, 35.6, 28.4, 24.8, 24.77; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₈B₁O₄ [M+H]⁺: 413.2863, Found: 413.2858.

1.5.9 Spectroscopic Studies of Bis-Phosphine–Cu Complexes

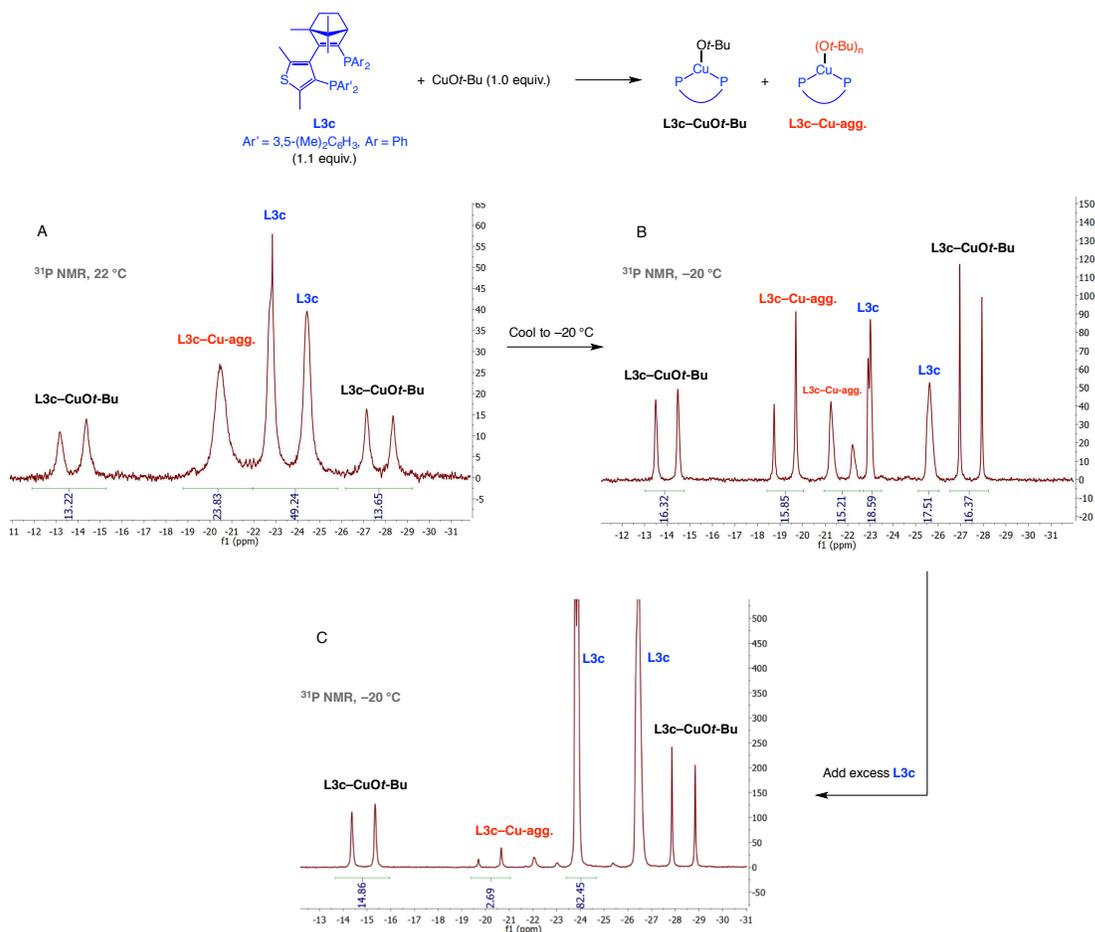
Spectroscopic Detection of the Key Intermediates in the Catalytic Cycle

Detection of a chiral bis-phosphine–Cu complex and the corresponding aggregate structures. In an N₂-filled glove box, an oven-dried 2-dram vial was charged with CuOt-Bu (2.8 mg, 0.0203 mmol), bis-phosphine **L3c** (15 mg, 0.0224 mmol) and thf-*d*₈ (0.3 mL). The mixture was manually stirred leading to formation of a homogeneous light-green solution and was then transferred to an NMR tube after which the original vial was washed with 0.2 mL of thf-*d*₈. The tube was capped with a septum and sealed with paraffin before being removed from glove box.

The ³¹P spectrum (A) was first acquired at 22 °C; there was ~30% un-coordinated bis-phosphine ligand. At –20 °C (spectrum B) peaks were generally sharper, suggesting that

there is equilibrium among various complexes. Variations in temperature and concentration of **L3c** led to only slight changes in the chemical shift of the free ligand (as judged by the coupling constant values): whereas the J_{P-P} **L3c** is 21.8 Hz, it is 110-190 Hz for the derived Cu complex the same coupling constant (depending on extent of complexation).

Aggregates derived from bis-phosphine–Cu complexes and related equilibria



Conclusion: The increase in concentration of bis-phosphine–Cu complex (less unbound CuOt-Bu) due to excess **L3c** is consistent with the fact that there was considerable increase in er when excess ligand was used even with unoptimal alkene:electrophile ratio (Fig. 4c, manuscript).

Addition of styrene, *para*-trifluoromethylstyrene or pentafluorostyrene (20 equiv.) did not result in a detectable change on the concentration of any of the organocopper species.

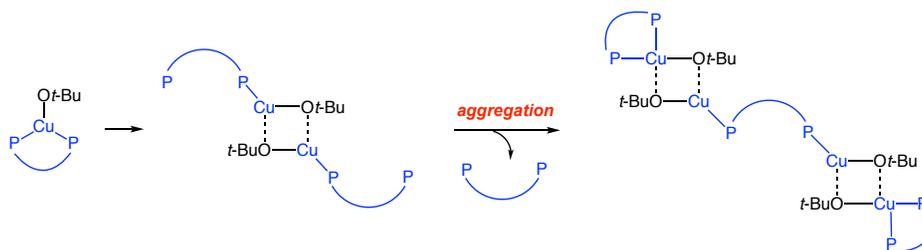
Conclusion: An alkene does not compete with the bis-phosphine ligand for copper coordination.

When excess **L3c** were added (60 mg, 0.112 mmol; spectrum C), the amount of bis-phosphine–Cu complex increased (i.e., from ~1:1 to ~5.5 **L3c-CuOt-Bu**:**L3c-Cu-agg.**).

Conclusion: L3c-Cu-agg. contains more than one Cu atom (dimer or larger aggregate) and may be converted to monomeric species by introducing more ligand. A similar observation has been reported involving $[\text{CuOt-Bu}(\text{PPh}_3)]_2$.⁴⁸

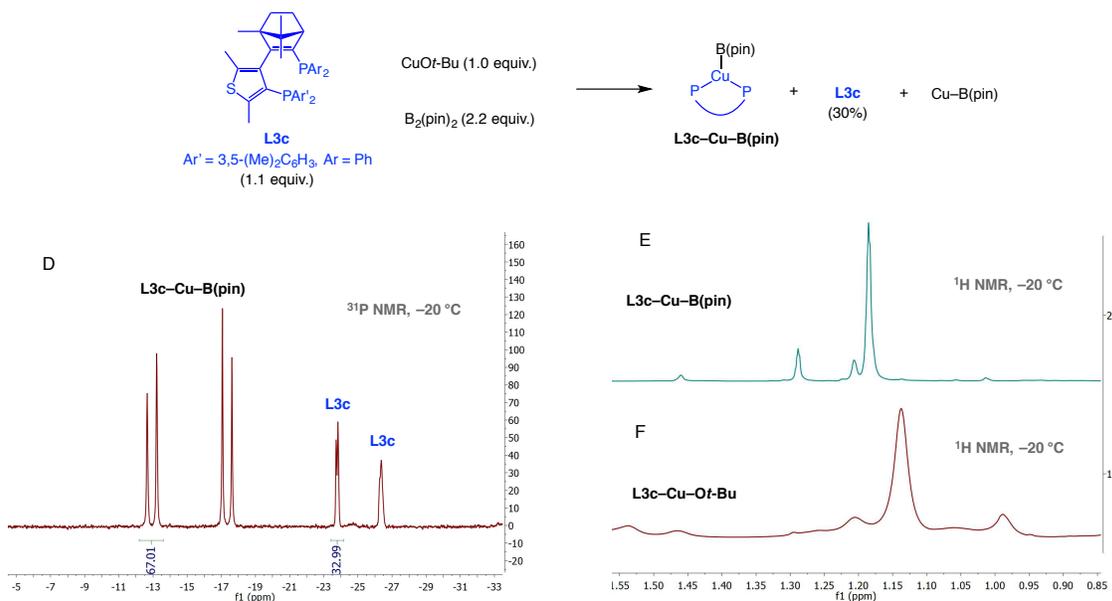
Bis-phosphine–CuOt-Bu complexes undergo ligand dissociation. Metal–oxygen bonds in alkoxide complexes are largely ionic. The polarity of the metal–oxygen bond is usually attenuated through π -donation by the oxygen atom into the metal d-orbitals in early transition metal systems. With late-transition metals, the ability of alkoxide ligands to serve as a σ - and π -donor systems is negligible. In the case of Cu(I) complexes (d^{10}), alkoxide and hydroxide ligands for the most part serve as σ -donors. Thus, the oxygen atoms retain considerable Lewis basicity, which can lead to the formation of oligomeric species by alkoxo bridging⁴⁸. The large size of bis-phosphine ligand **L3c** and the *tert*-butoxide moiety translates into accelerated oligomer formation, a process that is driven by a decrease in steric pressure (Scheme 1.31).

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Scheme 1.31. Alkoxide bridging leads to aggregation and reduced steric strain

Detection of bis-phosphine–Cu–B(pin) complex at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. In a N_2 -filled glove box, a solution of CuOt-Bu (2.8 mg, 0.0203 mmol), **L3c** (15 mg, 0.0224 mmol), and PhCH_2Ph (internal standard; 4.0 μL , 0.0233 mmol) in $\text{thf-}d_8$ (0.3 mL) was prepared in a two-dram vial. The mixture was manually stirred upon formation of a homogeneous light-green solution and then transferred to an NMR tube, after which the vial was washed with additional 0.2 mL of $\text{thf-}d_8$. The tube was capped with a septum and sealed with paraffin before being removed from glove box. The tube was then placed in a dry ice/acetone bath. A solution of bis(pinacolato)diboron (11.4 mg, 0.0449 mmol) was prepared in 0.2 mL of

Excess bis-phosphine ligand decreases the amount of unbound Cu–B(pin)



$\text{thf-}d_8$ in a separate vial and transferred by syringe to the solution in the NMR tube and stirred manually without removing the cooling bath to ensure minimal reaction occurring

before being placed in the spectrometer. The spectrum was acquired at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ in a precooled spectrometer.

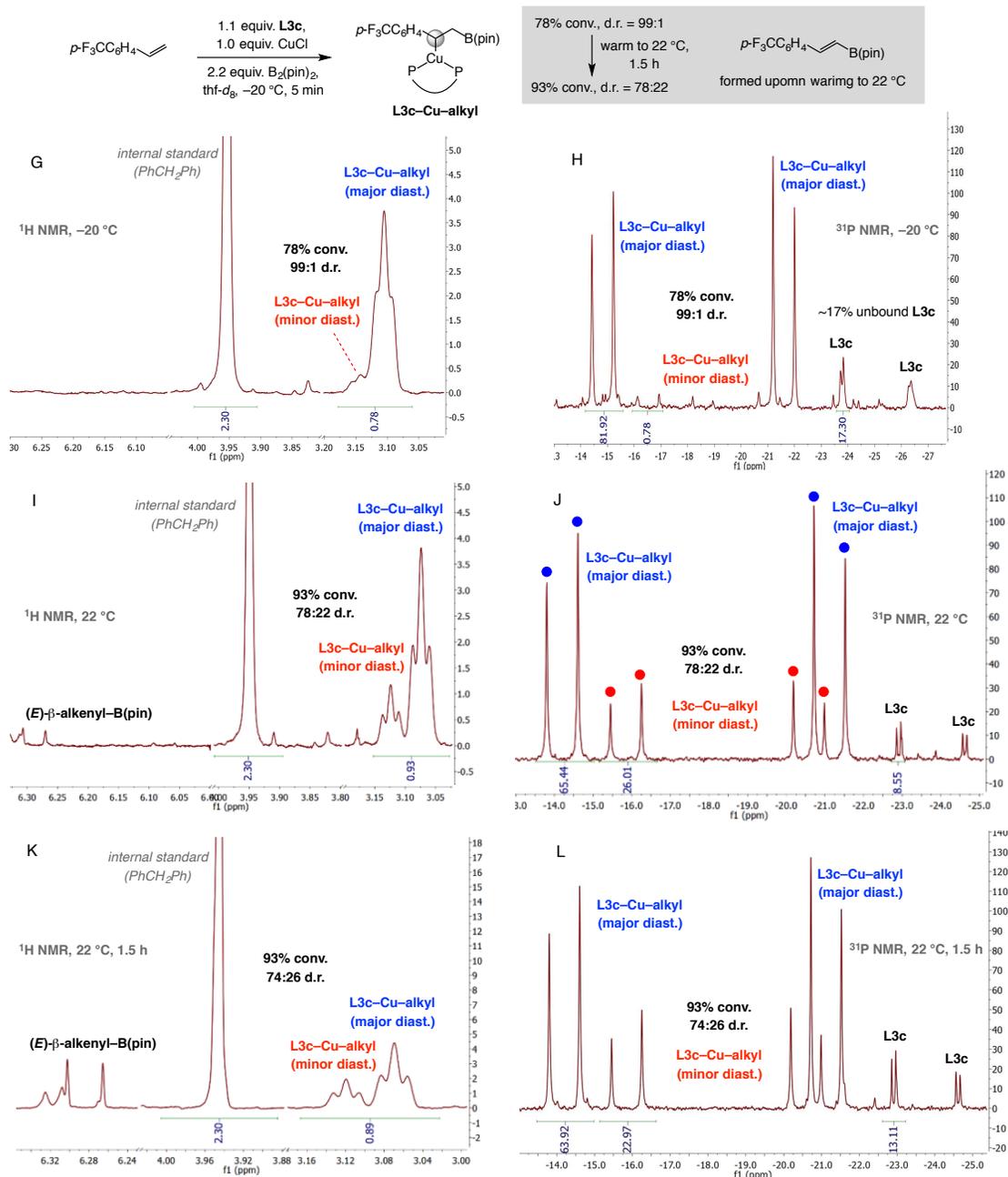
Resonances corresponding to bis-phosphine-Cu-Bpin and free **L3c** (30%) were detected by ^{31}P NMR spectroscopy (spectrum D). Complete disappearance of the initial signals assigned to L-CuOt-Bu was observed by ^1H NMR spectroscopy (spectrum E after the addition of B_2pin_2 solution, and spectrum F before the addition of B_2pin_2 solution).

Detection of alkyl-Cu diastereomers and evidence for Cu-H elimination. In an N_2 -filled glove box, a solution of CuOt-Bu (2.8 mg, 0.0203 mmol), bis-phosphine **L3c** (15 mg, 0.0224 mmol), *para*-trifluoromethylstyrene (5.0 μL , 0.0314 mmol) and PhCH₂Ph (internal standard; 4.0 μL , 0.0233 mmol) in thf- d_8 (0.3 mL) were placed in a two-dram vial. The mixture was manually stirred upon formation of a homogeneous light-green solution and then transferred to an NMR tube, after which the vial was washed with additional 0.2 mL of thf- d_8 . The tube was capped with a septum and sealed with paraffin before removal from glove box and placed into a dry ice/acetone bath. A solution of $\text{B}_2(\text{pin})_2$ (11.4 mg, 0.0449 mmol) dissolved in 0.2 mL of thf- d_8 was at this time added and the resulting mixture was shaken/stirred manually without removing the cooling bath to minimize reaction occurring prior to positioning the tube in the spectrometer. The spectrum was then acquired at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

As shown in spectra G and H below, the resonances corresponding to diastereomeric Cu-alkyl complexes (78% conv., 99:1 dr) were detected in the ^1H and ^{31}P NMR spectra; there was $\sim 17\%$ of uncoordinated bis-phosphine **L3c** also present. The sample was then allowed to warm to $22\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (while in the spectrometer) and reaction progress monitored spectroscopically. There was further transformation to the Cu-alkyl complexes (93%

conv.; spectra I and J) along with diminution of dr to 72:28. Additionally, the acquired spectra indicate the generation of the corresponding *E*- β -alkenyl-B(pin) byproduct formed through Cu-H elimination with significant amounts formed after 1.5 h at 22 °C (spectra K and L). The identity of the alkenyl-B(pin) compound was confirmed by spiking the tube with an authentic sample of the same material.

Kinetic enantioselectivity of Cu-B(pin) addition and reactivity of chiral vs. achiral Cu-B(pin) complexes



Conclusions. The above experiment show that the bis-phosphine–Cu–B(pin) complex adds to *para*-trifluoromethylstyrene readily and rapidly at –20 °C in a highly enantioselective manner. When the mixture was allowed to warm to 22 °C, the ratio between the two diastereomeric alkylcopper complexes decreased with time (from 99:1 to ~75:25) with more of the Cu–alkyl complex being formed (93% conv.). The decrease in dr may be attributed to lower reactivity of the un-coordinated Cu–B(pin) complex, which can add to the alkene substrate only at a higher temperature, supporting the notion that such a species can engender diminution in enantioselectivity in cases where the olefin is more electrophilic/reactive. Once the aryl olefin is fully converted to the corresponding alkylcopper intermediate, there can be complete bis-phosphine–Cu coordination, leaving only the excess bis-phosphine unbound. It is also possible that some of the lowering in er arises from preferential Cu–H elimination by the Cu–alkyl major diastereomer, accounting for the formation of the alkenyl–B(pin) byproduct at 22 °C.

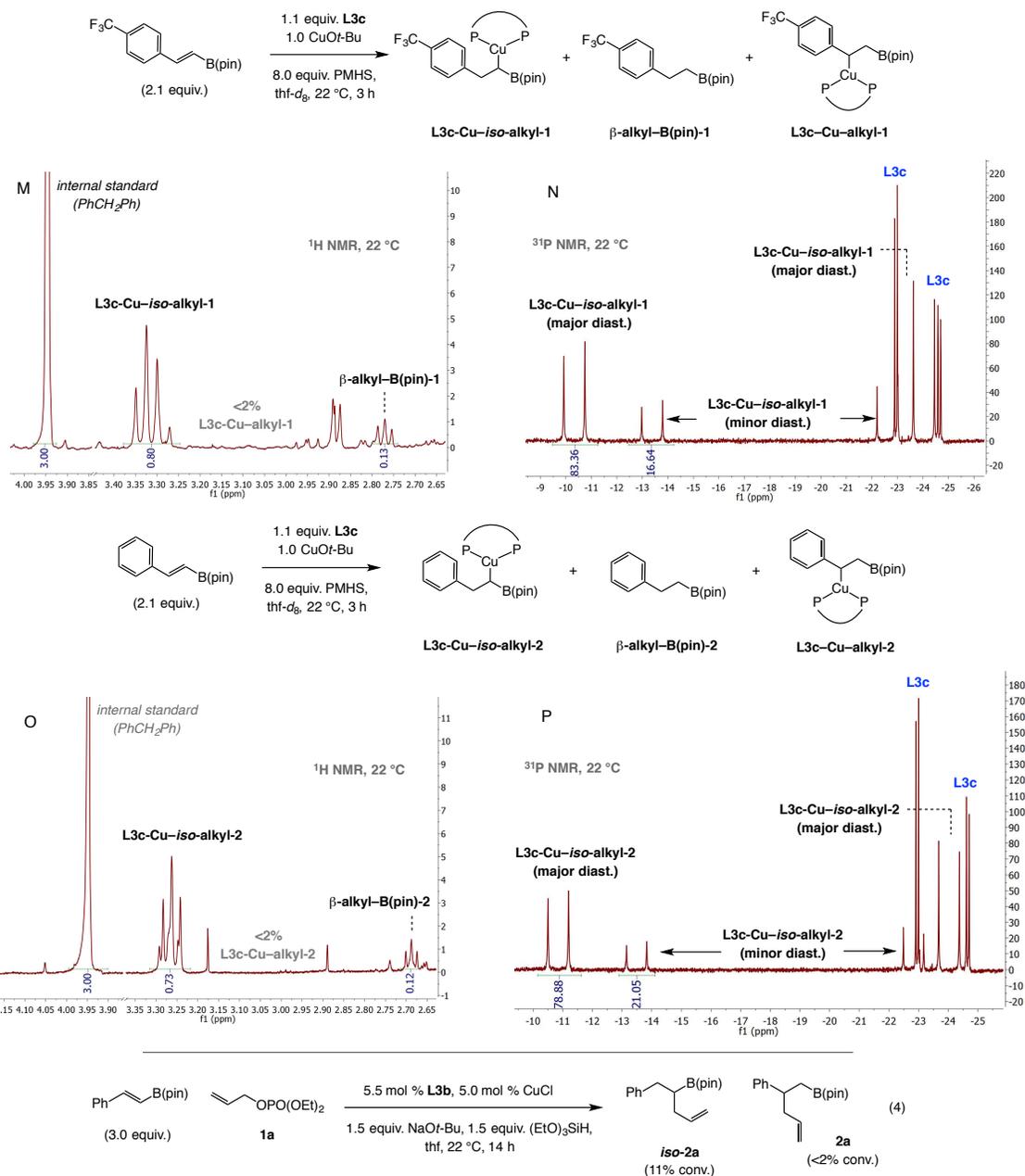
Cu–H Addition to a β -Alkenyl–B(pin) Byproduct

Examination of bis-phosphine–Cu–H addition to an (E)- β -alkenyl–B(pin) compound.

In an N₂-filled glove box, a solution of CuOt-Bu (2.8 mg, 0.0203 mmol), L3c (15 mg, 0.0224 mmol) and PhCH₂Ph as the internal standard (5.0 μ L, 0.03 mmol) was prepared in thf-*d*₈ (0.3 mL) in a two-dram vial. The mixture was manually stirred leading to the formation of a homogeneous light-green solution and was then transferred to an NMR tube. The vial was washed with an additional 0.2 mL of thf-*d*₈. The tube was capped with a septum and sealed with paraffin before removal from glove box and placed into a dry ice/acetone bath. A solution of polymethylhydrosiloxane (PMHS) (10 μ L, 0.17 mmol) and (*E*)-2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]vinylboronic acid pinacol ester (13.8 mg, 0.043

mmol) prepared in 0.2 mL of $\text{thf-}d_8$ was added by syringe and the resulting mixture was stirred manually (cooling bath retained to avoid any premature transformation). Reaction progress was monitored at 22 °C.

Regioselectivity of Cu–H addition to a β -alkenyl–B(pin) compound



Resonances for L3c-Cu-*iso*-alkyl-1 were detected in the $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum (M; ~80% conv.). The $^{31}\text{P NMR}$ spectrum (N) indicates 83:17 dr There were no detectable

resonances for **L3c-Cu-alkyl-1**, but ~13% of 2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)ethyl-1-boronic acid pinacol ester (**β -alkyl-B(pin)-1**), probably formed due to reaction of organocopper with adventitious water, was detected. The same experiment was carried out with (*E*)-2-phenyl-vinylboronic acid pinacol ester (13.8 mg, 0.043 mmol). The resonances corresponding to **L3c-Cu-*iso*-alkyl-2** were detected by ^1H NMR (spectrum O; 73% conv.) along with 12% **β -alkyl-B(pin)-2**. As before, dr was determined by analysis of the ^{31}P NMR spectrum (P; 78:22).

Through the experiment shown in Eq. 4 we examined the issue of Cu–H addition to (*E*)-2-phenyl-vinylboronic acid pinacol ester followed by C–C bond formation. Only ***iso*-2a** was detected (11% conv.; <2% **2a**).

Conclusions. Due to reversal in alkene polarization due to the presence of the electron-withdrawing B(pin) group, Cu–H addition to (*E*)- β -alkenyl–B(pin) derivatives occurs with opposite site selectivity compared to Cu–B(pin) additions (i.e., homobenzylic Cu–C bond). Preferential formation of ***iso*-2a** is consistent with a study reported by Sadighi⁴⁹. It is unlikely that Cu–H re-addition is responsible for the loss in enantioselectivity. We could not detect **L3c-Cu-alkyl-1** or **L3c-Cu-alkyl-2**.

Probing the feasibility of Cu–H elimination/re-addition leading to loss of enantiomeric purity of a Cu–alkyl species; a cross-over experiment. In an N_2 -filled glove box, a solution of CuO*t*-Bu (2.8 mg, 0.0203 mmol), **L3c** (15 mg, 0.0224 mmol), styrene (2.4 μL , 0.0203 mmol) and PhCH₂Ph (internal standard; 4.0 μL , 0.0233 mmol) in thf-*d*₈ (0.3 mL) was prepared in a two-dram vial. The mixture was manually stirred leading to the formation of a homogeneous light-green solution and then transferred to an NMR tube,

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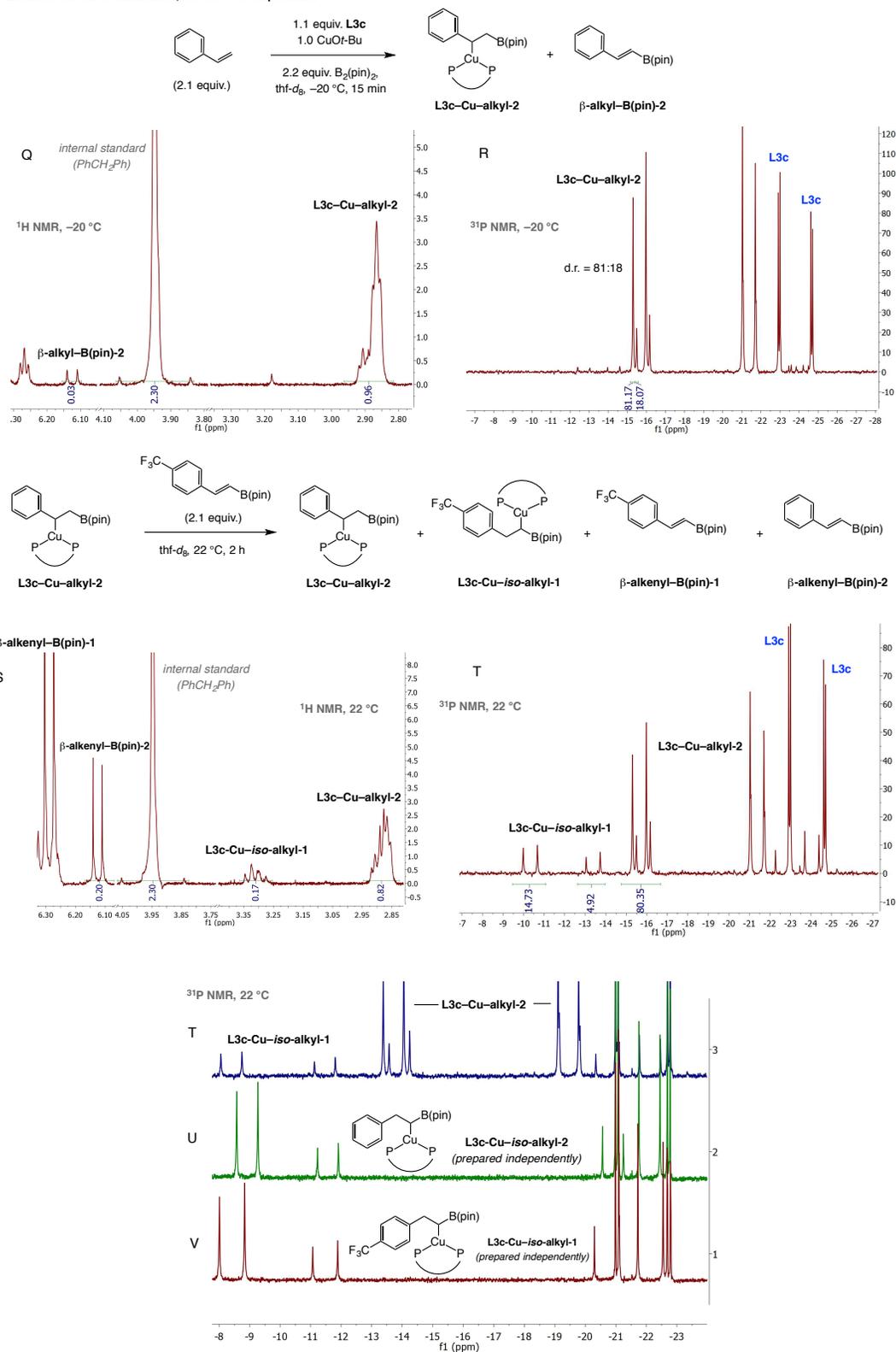
after which the vial was washed with additional 0.2 mL of thf- d_8 . The tube was sealed with a septum and paraffin before removal from the glove box and introduced into a dry ice/acetone bath. A solution of bis(pinacolato)diboron (11.4 mg, 0.0449 mmol) in 0.2 mL thf- d_8 was then added by syringe and the mixture stirred manually without removing the cooling bath (to avoid premature transformation prior to the tube being placed in the spectrometer).

Resonances for diastereomers **L3c-Cu-alkyl-2** were detected by ^1H NMR (spectrum Q; 96% conv., 15 min, 22 °C); the corresponding alkenyl-B(pin) was detected in trace amounts (<5%). The ^{31}P NMR (spectrum R) indicates 81:19 dr for the formation of **L3c-Cu-alkyl-2**.

A solution of (*E*)-2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]vinylboronic acid pinacol ester (13.8 mg, 0.043 mmol, 2.1 equiv.) in 0.2 mL thf- d_8 was added to the mixture transferred by syringe. After 2 h at 22 °C, spectroscopic analysis (spectra S and T) indicated depletion of **L3c-Cu-alkyl-2** concomitant with the appearance of resonances for **L3c-Cu-iso-alkyl-1** (17% conv.; 75:25 dr based on ^{31}P NMR spectrum T). Also shown for comparison are ^{31}P NMR spectra T, U and V, indicating the absence of any product from Cu-H addition to less electrophilic/reactive **β -alkenyl-B(pin)-2**.

Conclusions. A bis-phosphine-Cu-H complex can be generated from reaction of a Cu-alkyl complex generated from Cu-B(pin) addition to an alkene, and may subsequently be transferred by a Cu-H elimination/re-addition sequence to a different alkenyl-B(pin)

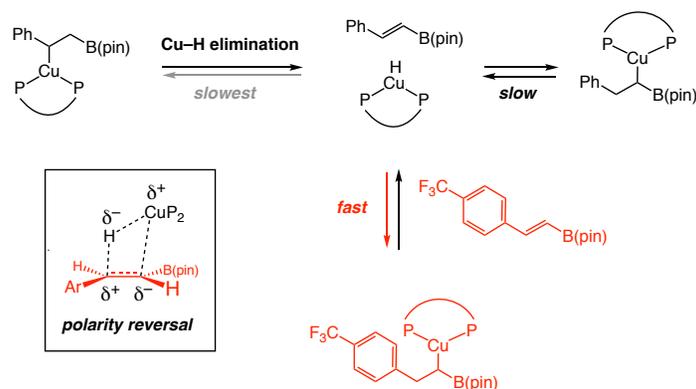
Evidence for Cu–H elimination; a cross-over experiment



compound but with the opposite regiochemistry (from benzylic to homobenzylic Cu–C

bond); this is further illustrated in Scheme 1.32. It is therefore unlikely that Cu–H re-

Scheme 1.32. Regiochemistry of Cu–H elimination/re-addition

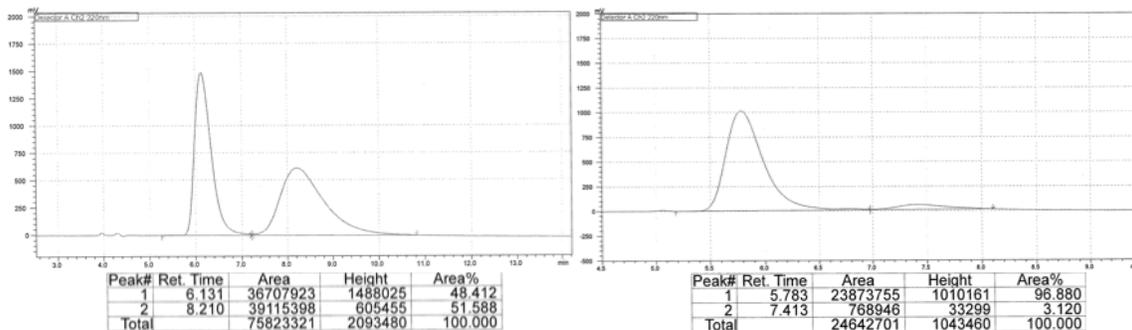


addition from the opposite face of the same alkene can occur without dissociation from the original alkenyl–B(pin) by product. Furthermore, the observation that Cu–H can dissociate and then add to a different alkenyl–B(pin) compound points to a weak bisphosphine–Cu–H...alkenyl–B(pin) coordination. The possibility of Cu–H re-addition to the same alkenyl–B(pin) is rendered especially unlikely considering the presence of substantially larger amounts of terminal alkene substrate under the catalytic condition (vs. any released alkenyl–B(pin)).

1.5.10 Relevance to Catalytic Processes that Involve Cu–H Additions

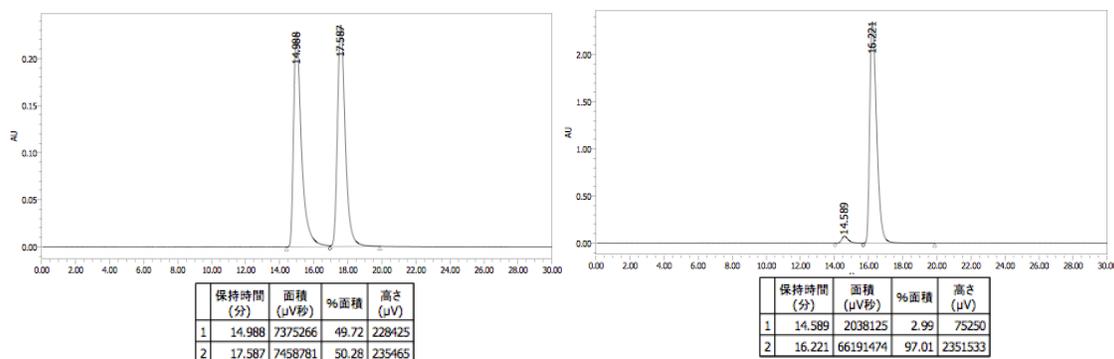
(S)-N,N-Dibutyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-amine (1.70): Following the previously reported procedure except 1:3 alkene:hydroxylamine was used. The spectroscopic data are consistent with those reported formerly.^{8b} ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07 (1H, dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz), 7.53 (4H, d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 7.38 (4H, dd, *J* = 8.2, 6.9 Hz), 7.32–7.22 (3H, m), 7.17 (1H, tt, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz), 7.09 (1H, d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 4.00 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.2, 5.7 Hz), 3.87 (2H, d, *J* = 13.6 Hz), 3.54 (2H, d, *J* = 13.6 Hz), 2.91–2.66 (2H, m), 2.32–2.14 (1H, m), 2.06 (1H, dtt, *J* = 13.7, 5.6, 3.1 Hz), 1.85 (1H, tdd, *J* = 12.5, 10.1, 2.8 Hz), 1.76–1.58 (1H, m); Specific Rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –62.0 (*c* 1.00, CHCl₃) for an

enantiomerically enriched sample of 97:3 e.r. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 e.r. shown; Chiralcel OJ–H column, 97% hexanes, 3% *i*-PrOH, 0.8 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	6.131	48.412	1	5.783	96.880
2	8.210	51.588	2	7.413	3.120

(*R*)-2-(1-(3,4-Dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)octyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-naphtho[1,8-de][1,3,2]diazaborinine (1.71): Following the previously reported procedure except 40 mol % of **L2** was used. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.¹⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.10–7.01 (7H, m), 6.88 (1H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 6.00 (2H, dd, 6.8, 1.6 Hz), 5.66 (2H, bs), 3.81 (1H, d, *J* = 14.8 Hz), 3.55 (1H, d, *J* = 14.8 Hz), 2.86–2.79 (1H, m), 2.73–2.55 (3H, m), 1.78 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.2, 4.4 Hz), 1.71–1.64 (1H, m), 1.59–1.50 (1H, m), 1.46–1.37 (1H, m), 1.33–1.24 (9H, m), 0.89 (3H, t, *J* = 6.8 Hz); Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 e.r. shown; Chiralcel OD–H column, 95% hexanes, 5% *i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL/min, 330 nm).

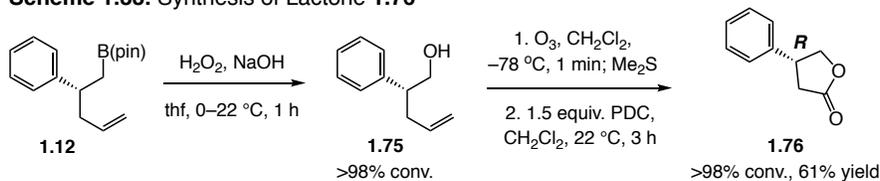


Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)	Peak #	Time (min)	Area (%)
1	14.988	49.72	1	14.589	2.99
2	17.587	50.28	2	16.221	97.01

1.5.11 Determination of Absolute Stereochemistry

Other than comparison of specific rotation of **1.69** to the reported values suggesting a (*R*) configuration of the products, we synthesized (*R*)-**1.76** and obtained the X-ray crystal structure to ascertain the absolute stereochemical identity of the products.

Scheme 1.33. Synthesis of Lactone **1.76**



Compound (*R*)-**1.75** was synthesized from enantiomerically enriched **1.12** (95:5 e.r.), as illustrated in Scheme 1.33. (*R*)-4-Phenyldihydrofuran-2(3*H*)-one [(*R*)-**1.76**]: The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁵⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40–7.22 (5H, m), 4.67 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.8, 8.0 Hz), 4.28 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.0, 8.2 Hz), 3.79

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(1H, app pent, $J = 8.5$ Hz), 2.93 (1H, dd, $J = 17.6$ and 8.8 Hz), 2.68 (1H, dd, $J = 17.6, 8.8$ Hz); Specific Rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -40.8$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3). The absolute configuration of (**R**)-**1.76** was established by X-ray analysis, which was assigned to be (*R*). Compound **1.12** is thus assigned to possess the (*R*) configuration. The absolute stereochemistry for other enantiomerically enriched products has been assigned by inference.

1.5.12 Data for X-ray Crystallography of (*R*)-**1.76**

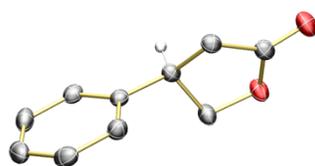


Table 1.2 Crystal data and structure refinement for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2$

Identification code	C10H10O2
Empirical formula	C10 H10 O2
Formula weight	162.18
Temperature	100(2) K
Wavelength	1.54178 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1$
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 6.1692(7)$ Å $b = 7.7518(8)$ Å $c = 8.6969(9)$ Å
Volume	$415.33(8)$ Å ³
Z	2

Density (calculated)	1.297 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.729 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	172
Crystal size	0.600 x 0.070 x 0.050 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	5.092 to 66.613°.
Index ranges	-7<=h<=7, -8<=k<=9, -10<=l<=10
Reflections collected	4434
Independent reflections	1435 [R(int) = 0.0455]
Completeness to theta = 67.679°	98.2 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7528 and 0.5867
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	1435 / 1 / 109
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.091
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0341, wR2 = 0.0848
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0346, wR2 = 0.0858
Absolute structure parameter	-0.05(11)
Extinction coefficient	na
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.145 and -0.213 e. Å ⁻³

Table 1.3. Atomic coordinates (x10⁴) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å² x 10³) for C₁₀H₁₀O₂. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the

orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor

	x	y	z	U(eq)
O(1)	4872(2)	3283(2)	344(2)	29(1)
O(2)	8163(2)	4179(2)	-234(2)	34(1)
C(1)	6684(3)	4254(3)	609(2)	25(1)
C(2)	6464(3)	5329(3)	2029(2)	23(1)
C(3)	4017(3)	5331(3)	2238(2)	22(1)
C(4)	3365(3)	3581(3)	1546(2)	26(1)
C(5)	3258(3)	5568(2)	3851(2)	21(1)
C(6)	4294(3)	4761(3)	5124(2)	26(1)
C(7)	3475(4)	4930(3)	6572(2)	31(1)
C(8)	1594(4)	5872(3)	6774(2)	32(1)
C(9)	571(3)	6695(3)	5510(3)	31(1)
C(10)	1411(3)	6549(3)	4071(2)	24(1)

Table 1.4. Bond lengths [\AA] and angles [$^\circ$] for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2$

O(1)-C(1)	1.357(3)
O(1)-C(4)	1.453(2)

O(2)-C(1)	1.202(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.502(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.530(3)
C(2)-H(2A)	0.9900
C(2)-H(2B)	0.9900
C(3)-C(5)	1.513(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.530(3)
C(3)-H(3)	1.0000
C(4)-H(4A)	0.9900
C(4)-H(4B)	0.9900
C(5)-C(10)	1.392(3)
C(5)-C(6)	1.396(3)
C(6)-C(7)	1.388(3)
C(6)-H(6)	0.9500
C(7)-C(8)	1.390(3)
C(7)-H(7)	0.9500
C(8)-C(9)	1.393(3)
C(8)-H(8)	0.9500
C(9)-C(10)	1.384(3)
C(9)-H(9)	0.9500
C(10)-H(10)	0.9500

C(1)-O(1)-C(4)	110.01(15)
O(2)-C(1)-O(1)	120.97(19)
O(2)-C(1)-C(2)	129.3(2)
O(1)-C(1)-C(2)	109.77(17)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	103.33(16)
C(1)-C(2)-H(2A)	111.1
C(3)-C(2)-H(2A)	111.1
C(1)-C(2)-H(2B)	111.1
C(3)-C(2)-H(2B)	111.1
H(2A)-C(2)-H(2B)	109.1
C(5)-C(3)-C(4)	112.65(16)
C(5)-C(3)-C(2)	117.74(15)
C(4)-C(3)-C(2)	101.13(16)
C(5)-C(3)-H(3)	108.3
C(4)-C(3)-H(3)	108.3
C(2)-C(3)-H(3)	108.3
O(1)-C(4)-C(3)	105.02(16)
O(1)-C(4)-H(4A)	110.7
C(3)-C(4)-H(4A)	110.7
O(1)-C(4)-H(4B)	110.7
C(3)-C(4)-H(4B)	110.7

H(4A)-C(4)-H(4B)	108.8
C(10)-C(5)-C(6)	118.66(18)
C(10)-C(5)-C(3)	119.28(17)
C(6)-C(5)-C(3)	121.98(18)
C(7)-C(6)-C(5)	120.31(19)
C(7)-C(6)-H(6)	119.8
C(5)-C(6)-H(6)	119.8
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	120.6(2)
C(6)-C(7)-H(7)	119.7
C(8)-C(7)-H(7)	119.7
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	119.20(18)
C(7)-C(8)-H(8)	120.4
C(9)-C(8)-H(8)	120.4
C(10)-C(9)-C(8)	120.0(2)
C(10)-C(9)-H(9)	120.0
C(8)-C(9)-H(9)	120.0
C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	121.13(19)
C(9)-C(10)-H(10)	119.4
C(5)-C(10)-H(10)	119.4

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table 1.5. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2$. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{23}	U^{13}	U^{12}
O(1)	25(1)	38(1)	24(1)	-7(1)	4(1)	-6(1)
O(2)	28(1)	46(1)	30(1)	-1(1)	8(1)	0(1)
C(1)	24(1)	28(1)	23(1)	3(1)	0(1)	1(1)
C(2)	20(1)	24(1)	25(1)	2(1)	0(1)	-1(1)
C(3)	21(1)	24(1)	22(1)	3(1)	0(1)	1(1)
C(4)	23(1)	34(1)	23(1)	-4(1)	3(1)	-3(1)
C(5)	21(1)	18(1)	24(1)	-2(1)	1(1)	-3(1)
C(6)	29(1)	23(1)	26(1)	1(1)	2(1)	2(1)
C(7)	42(1)	24(1)	25(1)	0(1)	-2(1)	-5(1)
C(8)	40(1)	31(1)	27(1)	-9(1)	9(1)	-10(1)
C(9)	25(1)	31(1)	37(1)	-11(1)	6(1)	0(1)
C(10)	21(1)	21(1)	30(1)	-2(1)	-2(1)	-2(1)

Table 1.6. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2$

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H(2A)	7011	6515	1879	28
H(2B)	7263	4805	2930	28
H(3)	3343	6256	1569	27
H(4A)	3494	2663	2336	31
H(4B)	1850	3610	1109	31
H(6)	5564	4094	4998	31
H(7)	4208	4395	7435	37
H(8)	1014	5954	7761	39
H(9)	-704	7357	5636	37
H(10)	715	7129	3218	29

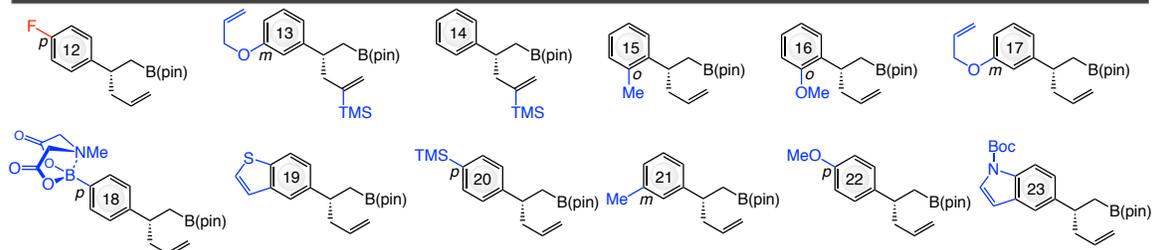
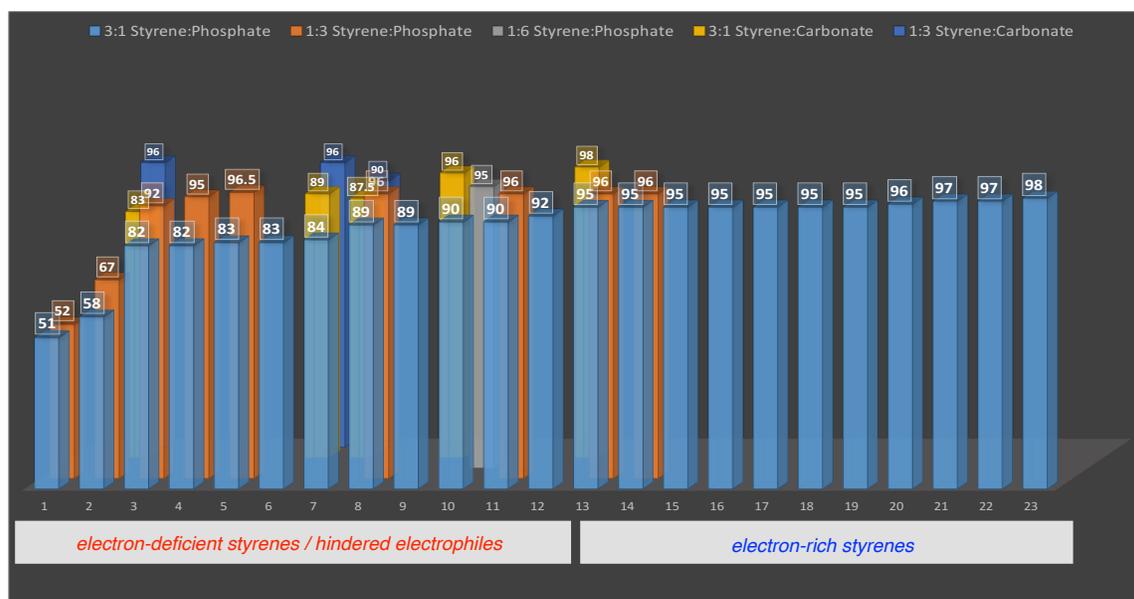
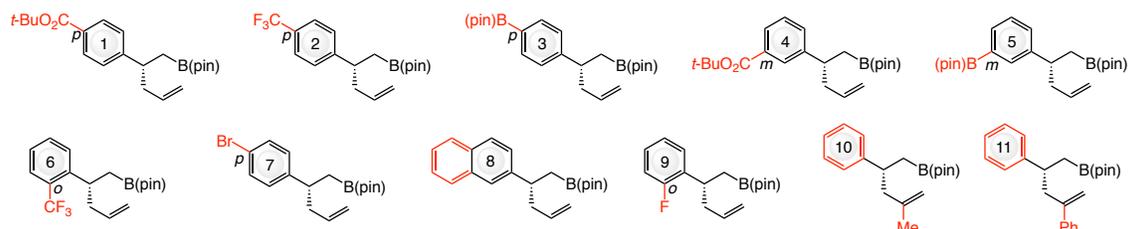
Table 1.7. Torsion angles [°] for C₁₀H₁₀O₂

C(4)-O(1)-C(1)-O(2)	178.59(19)
C(4)-O(1)-C(1)-C(2)	-1.5(2)
O(2)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	161.0(2)
O(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-18.9(2)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(5)	153.11(17)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	29.95(18)
C(1)-O(1)-C(4)-C(3)	21.5(2)

C(5)-C(3)-C(4)-O(1)	-158.08(16)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-O(1)	-31.48(18)
C(4)-C(3)-C(5)-C(10)	-100.7(2)
C(2)-C(3)-C(5)-C(10)	142.14(19)
C(4)-C(3)-C(5)-C(6)	76.0(2)
C(2)-C(3)-C(5)-C(6)	-41.1(3)
C(10)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	0.5(3)
C(3)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	-176.25(19)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	1.3(3)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	-2.0(3)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	0.9(3)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	0.9(3)
C(6)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	-1.6(3)
C(3)-C(5)-C(10)-C(9)	175.24(19)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

1.5.13 Representative Products of Bis-Phosphine–Cu-Catalyzed Reactions



1.5.14 Density Functional Theory (DFT) Calculations

(Please Note: In the following section, the term Cu–rev is synonymous with the term Cu–iso used above.)

DFT computations⁵¹ were performed with the Gaussian 09 suite of programs⁵². Geometries were optimized with density functional ω B97XD⁵³ and the Def2SVP basis set⁵⁴. The effect of a polar reaction medium (tetrahydrofuran, THF) was approximated by means of the SMD solvation model⁵⁵. Stationary points were probed through vibrational analysis and Gibbs free energy corrections were performed under standard conditions (298.15 K, 1.0 atm). Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations have been performed starting from selected transition states (**ts**) employing the L(ocal) Q(uadratic) A(approximation) method, followed by subsequent optimization to obtain structures and energies for educt (**ed**) and product (**prod**) on either side of the transition state⁵⁶. We furthermore probed the performance of various density functionals through single point

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energy calculations at the geometries optimized at the levels described above by means of the SMD solvation model⁵⁵ with THF as solvent and the larger Def2TZVPP⁵⁴ basis set. Since the correct density functional is not known we tested several state of the art approaches that have been developed over the past decade^{51,57}: ω B97XD⁵³, M06⁵⁸, MN12SX⁵⁹, MN12L⁵⁹, M06L⁵⁸, BP86-D3BJ^{51b,60} and PBE0-D3BJ^{51b,61} (Figure 1–9). Electronic and Gibbs free energies for Figure 1–10 are provided in doi:10.1038/nchem.2861 and the entries used as the basis for Figures 6–7 are highlighted in red. A file for convenient viewing of computed geometries with the program Mercury 3.3 is appended as separate “coordinates.xyz” file in doi:10.1038/nchem.2861⁶².

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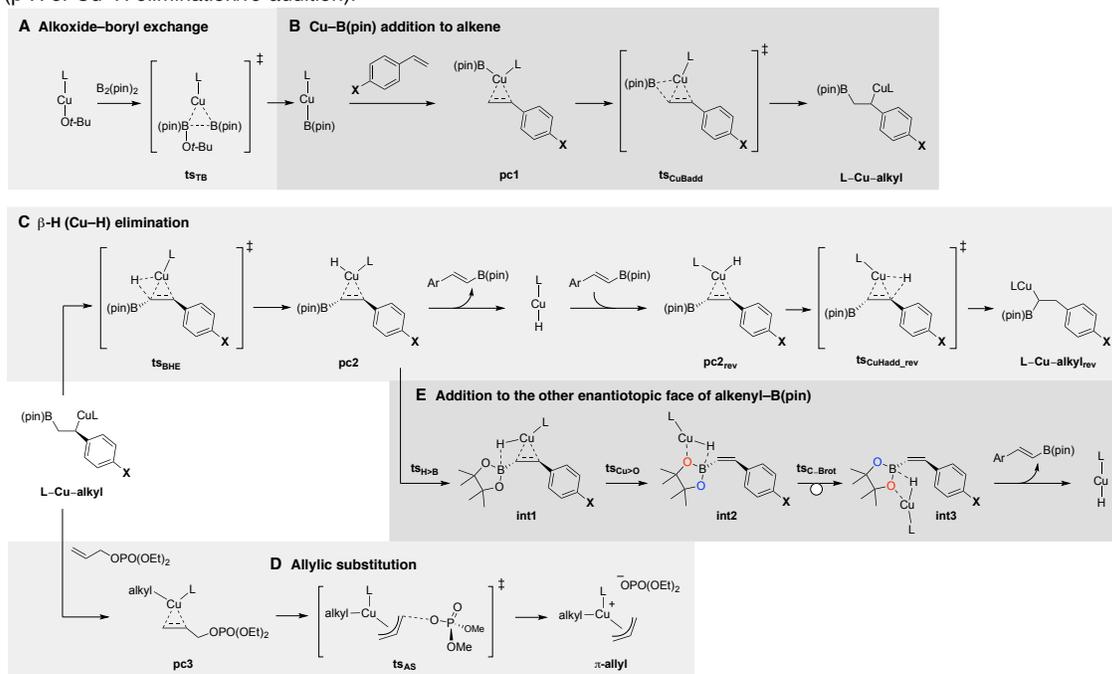
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Scheme 1.34. General reaction sequence for Cu–B(pin) addition/allylic substitution including competitive side reactions (β -H or Cu–H elimination/re-addition).



Abbreviations: **TB**, transborylation [conversion of Cu–alkoxide to Cu–B(pin)]; **BHE**, β -hydride (or Cu–H) elimination; **pc**, π -complex; **ts_{H-B}**, transition state for hydride migration to boron; **ts_{Cu-O}**, transition state for Cu migration to oxygen on Bpin; **ts_{C-Brot}**, transition state for C–B bond rotation; **ts_{CuHadd_rev}**, transition state Cu–H addition leading to Cu–alkyl_{rev} species with opposite regiochemistry; **int**, intermediate; **Cu–H**, linear Cu–hydride species.

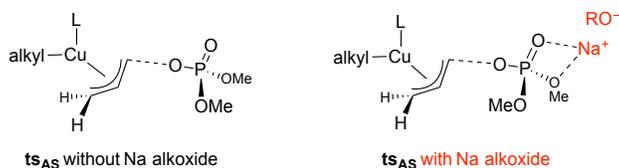
Background

Linear CuOt-Bu species that contain neutral ligands are labeled as **L–Cu–Ot-Bu** [L = bis-phosphine **L3a**, a model NHC (**NHCMe₂**) and phosphine (**PMe₃**), tetrahydrofuran (thf) or an aryl olefin with *para* substituent X]. Formation of linear **L–Cu–B(pin)** complex is expected to occur by reaction with B₂(pin)₂ via transition state **ts_{TB}**. In Figures 1–10, **ed** and **prod** denote the minima on either side of **ts_{TB}**, which was obtained by IRC calculations and subsequent optimization. Complex **L–Cu–B(pin)** undergoes Cu–B(pin) addition through the following sequence: **pc1** \rightarrow **ts_{CuBadd}** \rightarrow **L–Cu–alkyl**. Complex **L–Cu–alkyl** can either participate in an allylic substitution reaction (**pc3** \rightarrow **ts_{AS}** \rightarrow π -allyl) or Cu–H elimination via transition state **ts_{BHE}** to generate π -complex **pc2**. Upon dissociation of the alkenyl–B(pin) species linear **L–Cu–H** is formed, which might then

re-add with the opposite site selectivity [Cu at the carbon bearing the B(pin) unit] to form alkylcopper species $L-Cu-alkyl_{rev}$ ($pc2_{rev} \rightarrow ts_{CuHadd_rev}$).

Questions to be Addressed

Issues concerning the DFT calculations. The difficulty associated with modeling reactions that contain multiple ionic species notwithstanding, a number of DFT calculations were performed. Comparison of absolute free energies of transition states with different character (e.g., ts_{CuBadd} vs. ts_{AS}) is challenging and probably subject to somewhat large relative errors. This is particularly an issue with transition state structures that may be envisioned for the allylic substitution (AS) step, such as those where the phosphate moiety is cleaved without the assistance of Na chelation and those where Na coordination is involved (but not necessarily intramolecular, see below).



Specific questions investigated. The major goal of these studies was to address the following questions:

- (1) What is the most plausible stereochemical model for $L-Cu-B(pin)$ addition to an aryl olefin with L being bis-phosphine ligand **L3a**?
- (2) What are the most likely steps where the presence of an electron-deficient aryl olefin can lead to a lowering of enantioselectivity? Is it possible that electron-deficient alkene might be capable of activating $Cu-Ot-Bu$ clusters, breaking them into smaller,

more reactive species, due to their ability to provide stronger back-bonding (lower energy π^*)?

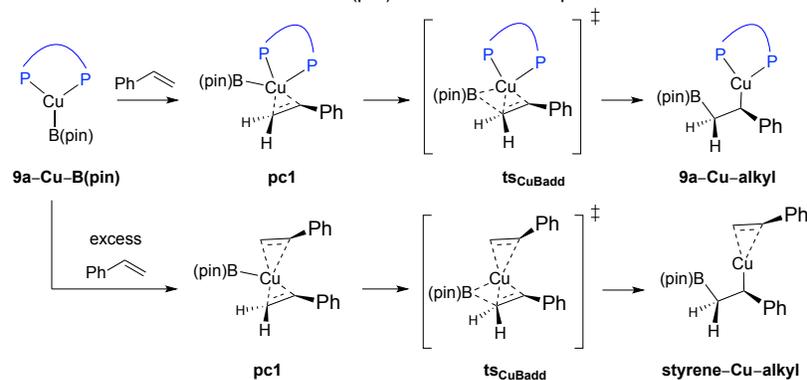
(3) Alternatively, does an electron-deficient aryl olefin allow for a more competitive Cu–B(pin) addition with an achiral complex?

(4) Why does the allylic substitution step seem to be more difficult with bis-phosphine **L3a**, particularly with bulkier allyl electrophiles? Does this allow for alternative reaction pathways to compete, leading to lower e.r. (enantiomeric ratio)?

(5) Is β -H (Cu–H) elimination within the alkylcopper intermediates critical to enantioselectivity fluctuations and, if so, is it followed by subsequent Cu–H re-addition from the opposite enantiotopic face?

(6) What is the basis for reactions, regardless of whether they contain an NHC or a phosphine ligand, being highly S_N2' -selective?

(7) Does displacement of the bis-phosphine ligand by an aryl olefin or a Lewis basic solvent molecule (i.e., thf) take place to a degree that influences the observed e.r. fluctuations? This might have several advantages: Although phosphines are better donors (compared to olefins) and should therefore bind more strongly to the metal center, the smaller size and π -accepting properties of styrenes could exert a positive influence on the rate of C–B bond formation. However, a competitive and non-selective Cu–B addition pathway starting from **L3a –Cu–B(pin)** would likely be second-order in the alkene (i.e., one styrene needed for displacement of **L3a** and another one is involved in Cu–B addition; Scheme 1.35). See the discussion associated with Figures 6–7 below.

Scheme 1.35. Enantioselective Cu–B(pin) addition and competitive bimolecular reaction.

Stereochemical Model for Addition of **L3a-Cu-B(pin)** to an Aryl Olefin

(Figure 1.1–1.2)

The free energy surface for Cu–B(pin) addition with ligand **L3a** at the M06/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}/ωB97XD/ Def2SVP_{THF(SMD)} level are shown in Figure 1.1. Reaction of **L3a-Cu-*o*-Bu** generates **L3a-Cu-B(pin)** irreversibly ($G_{\text{rel}} = 0.0$ kcal/mol) via transition state **ts_{TB}** ($G_{\text{rel}} = 36.3$ kcal/mol). Two modes of addition were considered that might afford the major diastereomer of **L3a-Cu-alkyl** complex [**major01** with the phenyl group on styrene pointing to the front ($G_{\text{rel}} = 16.9$ kcal/mol) and **major02** with the phenyl ring facing to the rear ($G_{\text{rel}} = 23.4$ kcal/mol); Figure 1.1]. The same applies to the pathways leading to the minor diastereomer of **L3a-Cu-alkyl** [**minor01** ($G_{\text{rel}} = 18.9$ kcal/mol) and **minor02** ($G_{\text{rel}} = 21.8$ kcal/mol)]. The computed energies are in agreement with the experimental observations. Investigation with other density functionals (ωB97XD, MN12SX, MN12L, M06L, BP86-D3BJ and PBE0-D3BJ) revealed qualitatively similar trends albeit with some differences in the absolute energies (e.g., with BP86 including Grimme's D3 dispersion the reaction barriers relative to **L3a-Cu-B(pin)** are underestimated, likely due to overestimation of dispersion; 4.1 kcal/mol for **ts_{CuBadd}_major01**; Figure 1.2).

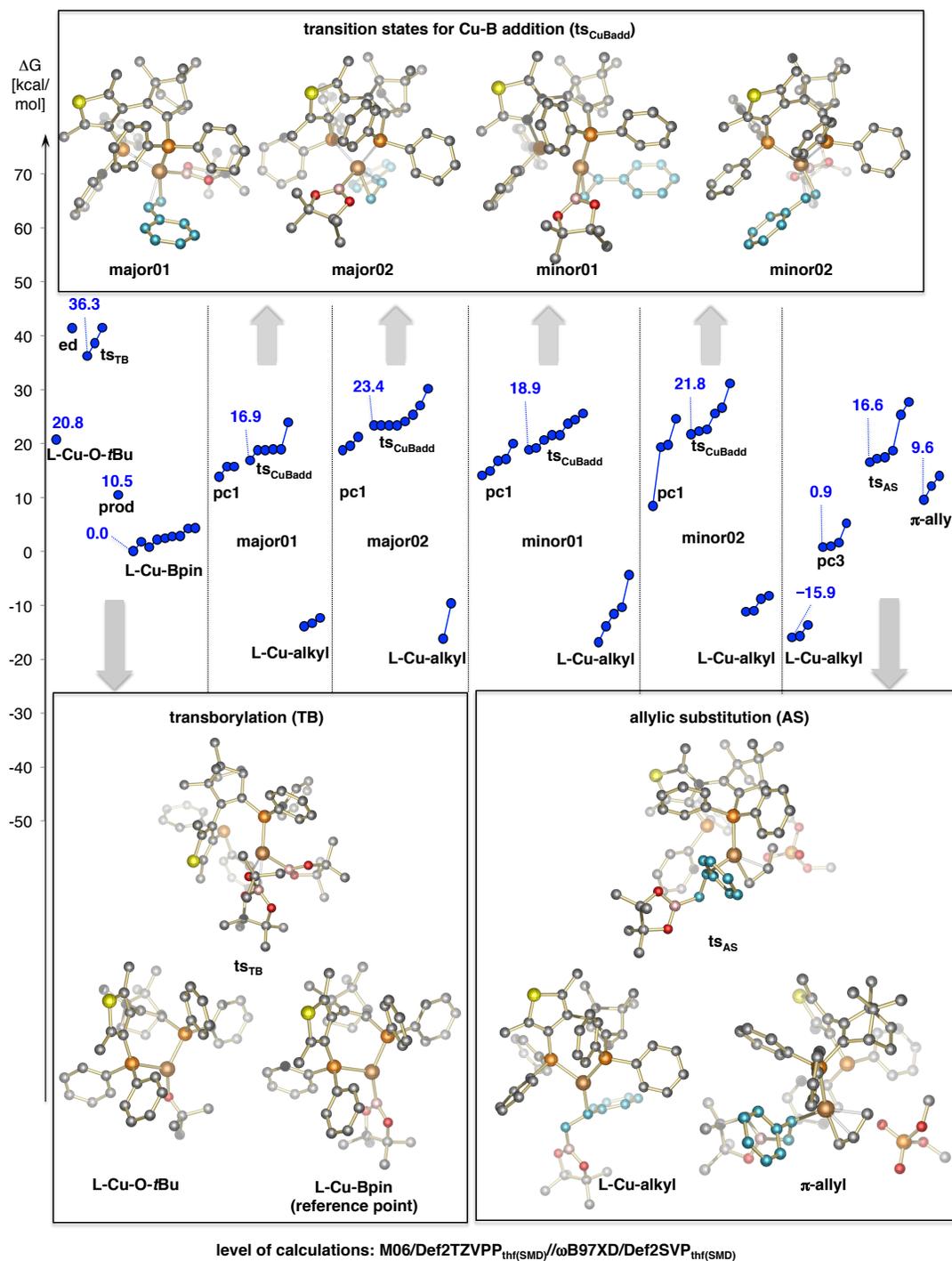


Figure 1.1. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu-B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence with bis-phosphine **L3a** at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for the two modes of addition leading to the major (**major01** and **major02**) and the minor enantiomer (**minor01** and **minor02**). The free energies have been referenced to the most stable **L3a-Cu-B(pin)** conformer. Only the AS transition states leading to the major enantiomer are shown. The computed structures of the lowest conformer for a given species are displayed. Abbreviations: **TB**, transborylation [conversion of Cu-alkoxide to Cu-B(pin)]; **pc**, π -complex.

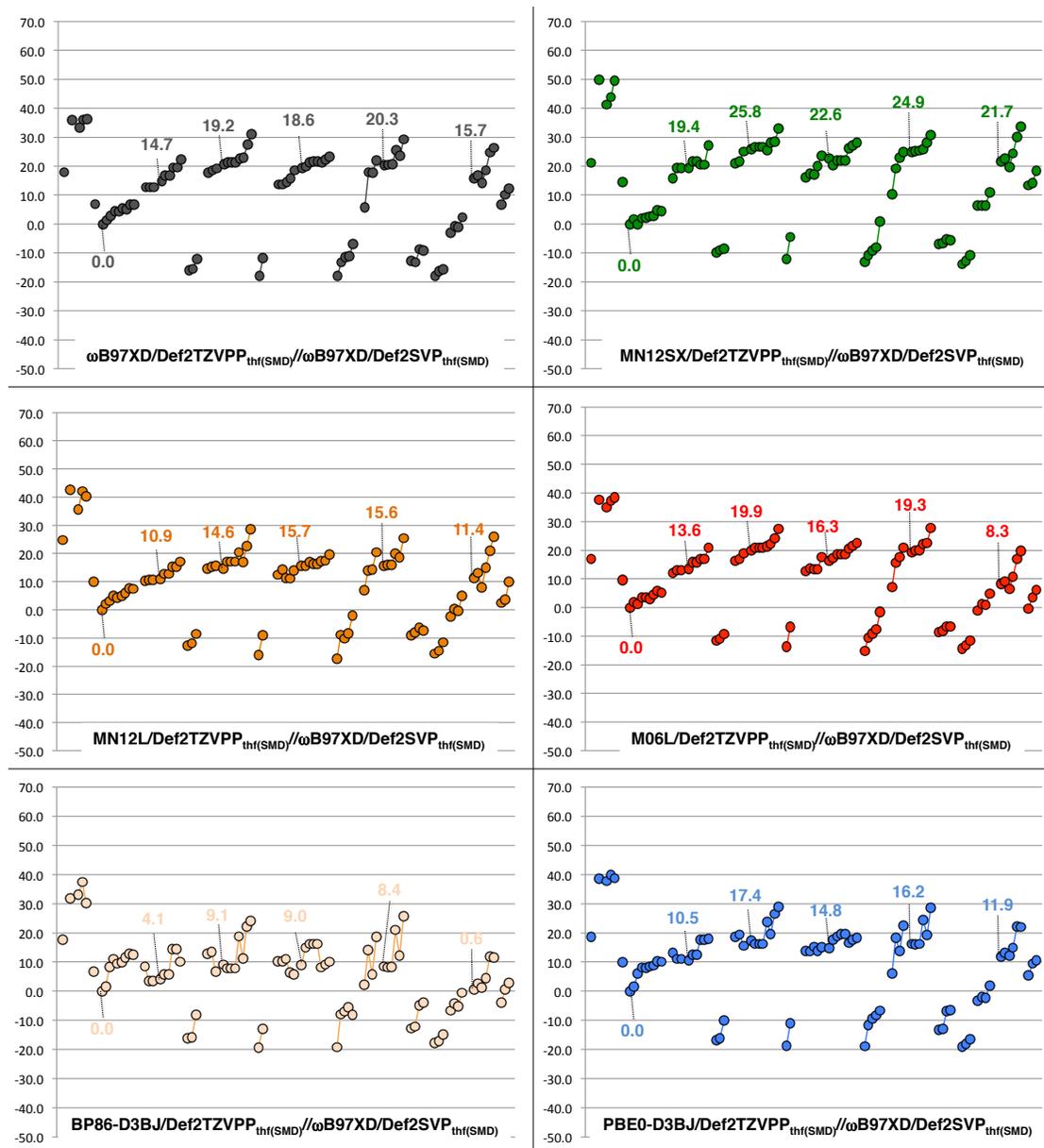


Figure 1.2. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu-B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence with ligand **L3a** at the M06/Def2TZVPP_{thf(SMD)}//ωB97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for the two modes of addition that lead to the major (**major01** and **major02**) as well as the minor enantiomer (**minor01** and **minor02**). The free energies have been referenced to the most stable **L3a-Cu-B(pin)** conformer; only AS transition states leading to the major enantiomer are shown; the computed structures of the lowest conformer for a given species are displayed. Abbreviations: **TB** [conversion of Cu-alkoxide to Cu-B(pin)], transborylation; **pc**, π-complex.

Following Cu–B(pin) addition, the major alkylcopper diastereomer may undergo allylic substitution via ts_{AS} ($G_{\text{rel}} = 16.6$ kcal/mol for the most accessible conformer)^{63,64,65,66}. Due to higher conformational complexity of ts_{AS} compared to $\text{ts}_{\text{CuBadd}}$ we did not perform calculations for allylic substitution with the minor alkylcopper diastereomer; we judged that the energy difference relative to the major pathway would be masked by significant uncertainty.

Several structural features are worth highlighting, which explain why the major enantiomer is generated preferentially and shed light on coordination chemistry of the bis-phosphine ligands (Scheme 1.36). In the pathway leading to the major alkylcopper enantiomer there is, in addition to several edge-to-face aromatic interactions⁶⁷, a weak H-bonding association between one of the oxygen atoms of the B(pin) moiety and an *ortho*-hydrogen atom of an arylphosphine ring (Scheme 1.36a). Rather than consider this H-bonding interaction as purely attractive, this geometry may be viewed as the least

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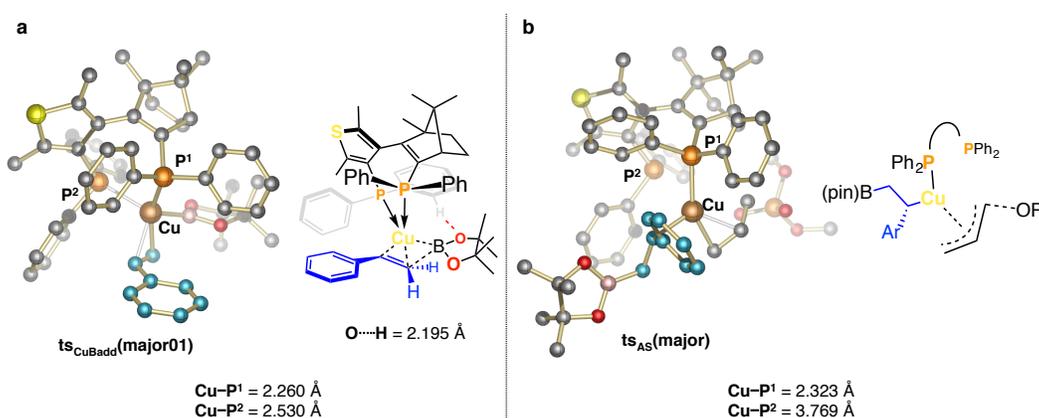
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repulsive; in other words, there is probably minimal electron density on that particular ortho proton on the phenyl ring, which favors propinquity with the B(pin) moiety.

The presence of the four *meta*-methyl groups of the diarylphosphine moieties in bis-phosphine **L3c** causes enantioselectivity reversal (20:80 e.r.); we propose this is because the aforementioned weak H-bonding interaction is sterically and electronically disrupted. It is also likely that the phosphine ligand adopts a more flexible coordination mode.

Scheme 1.36. Key structural features in the transition states for Cu–B(pin) addition and allylic substitution with ligand **L3a**.



While bis-phosphine **L3a** probably coordinates to Cu in a bidentate manner during Cu–B(pin) addition (with a dissymmetric coordination of the two phosphine atoms; $Cu-P^1 = 2.260 \text{ \AA}$ vs. $Cu-P^2 = 2.530 \text{ \AA}$; Scheme 1.36a), its coordination mode is monodentate during the allylic substitution process; this adjustment is required for accommodating the square planar geometry involving a π -allyl group (Scheme 1.36b). One of the phosphine atoms may therefore be displaced from Cu as reflected in a comparatively long $Cu-P^2$ distance (3.769 \AA ; Scheme 1.36b). The additional and undesired enthalpic penalty associated with cleavage of the $Cu-P^2$ bond implies that

allylic substitution reactions, particularly those with sterically hindered electrophiles, are challenging and can allow side reactions to become more competitive.

Influence of Electronic Attributes of Aryl Olefins on the Barriers for Cu–B(pin) Addition, β -Hydride (Cu–H) Elimination and Allylic Substitution (Figures 2–3)

To gain insight vis-à-vis the impact of electronic alterations of aryl olefins, we probed the free energy surface for Cu–B(pin) addition with model NHC or phosphine ligands at the M06/Def2TZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/ Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level (Figure 2.1–2.2 for L = NHCMe₂ and Figure 3.1–3.2 for L = PMe₃). We considered examining a model system to be more effective approach because the key electronic effects could be masked by large conformational complexity. We have referenced the energies relative to **L3a–Cu–B(pin)** and, as a result, the free energies in Figure 2.1 include that needed for displacement of the neutral bis-phosphine ligand [i.e., **L3a–Cu–B(pin)** + Me₂NHC → Me₂NHC–Cu–B(pin) + L3a].

Complex Me₂NHC–Cu–*Ot*-Bu is likely monomeric (13.6 kcal/mol relative to **L3a–Cu–B(pin)**) compared to 16.7 kcal/mol for the derived dimer; blue curve in Figure 2.1); it reacts with B₂(pin)₂ via transition state **ts_{TB}** (22.5 kcal/mol) to generate Me₂NHC–Cu–B(pin), which is 2.8 kcal/mol more stable relative to **L3a–Cu–B(pin)**, suggesting that NHCMe₂ coordinates more strongly to Cu than bis-phosphine **L3a**. Me₂NHC–Cu–B(pin) reacts irreversibly with styrene (11.6 kcal/mol for **ts_{CuBadd}**) to generate Me₂NHC–Cu–alkyl species (–19.9 kcal/mol for the conformer obtained by IRC calculation/optimization). Complex Me₂NHC–Cu–alkyl can either undergo Cu–H

elimination via \mathbf{ts}_{BHE} (5.1 kcal/mol) or allylic substitution (1.7 kcal/mol for \mathbf{ts}_{AS}). Although these data suggest that reaction with the allyl phosphate (\mathbf{ts}_{AS}) is more favorable than formation of the alkenyl-B(pin) (\mathbf{ts}_{BHE}), a more rigorous estimate of the relationship between \mathbf{ts}_{BHE} and \mathbf{ts}_{AS} would be difficult to establish. Firstly, unimolecular as opposed to bimolecular processes will show different dependencies on concentration. Secondly, as already mentioned, the precise identity of \mathbf{ts}_{AS} is probably unknown, although a structure resembling a π -allyl species should likely be entertained^{63,64}.

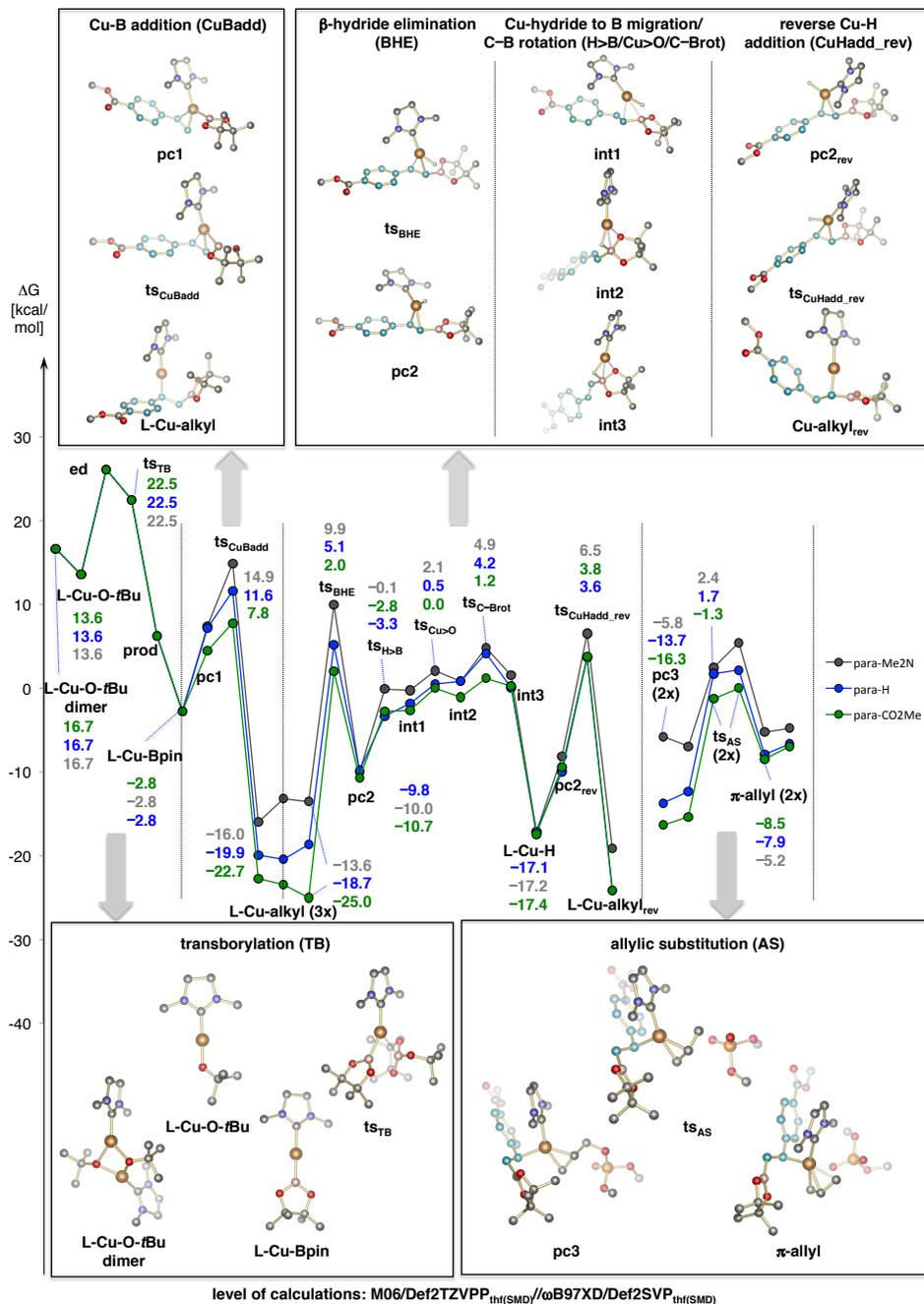


Figure 2.1. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu–B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence with a model NHC ligand (NHCMe₂) for reaction with various aryl olefins (*p*-Me₂N, grey; *p*-H, blue; *p*-CO₂Me, green) at the M06/Def2TZVPP_{thf(SMD)}/ωB97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for ts_{AS} and L–Cu–alkyl. The free energies have been referenced to the most stable L3a–Cu–B(pin) conformer, which takes into account the free energy for ligand displacement (cf. Figure 6.1); the computed structures for L = *p*-CO₂Me–styrene are displayed. Abbreviations: TB, transborylation [conversion of Cu–alkoxide to Cu–B(pin)]; BHE, β-hydride (or Cu–H) elimination; pc, π-complex; ts_{H>B}, transition state for hydride migration to boron; ts_{Cu>O}, transition state for Cu migration to oxygen on Bpin; ts_{C–Brot}, transition state for C–B bond rotation; ts_{CuHadd_rev}, transition state Cu–H addition leading to Cu–alkyl_{rev} species with opposite regiochemistry; int, intermediate; Cu–H, linear Cu-hydride species.

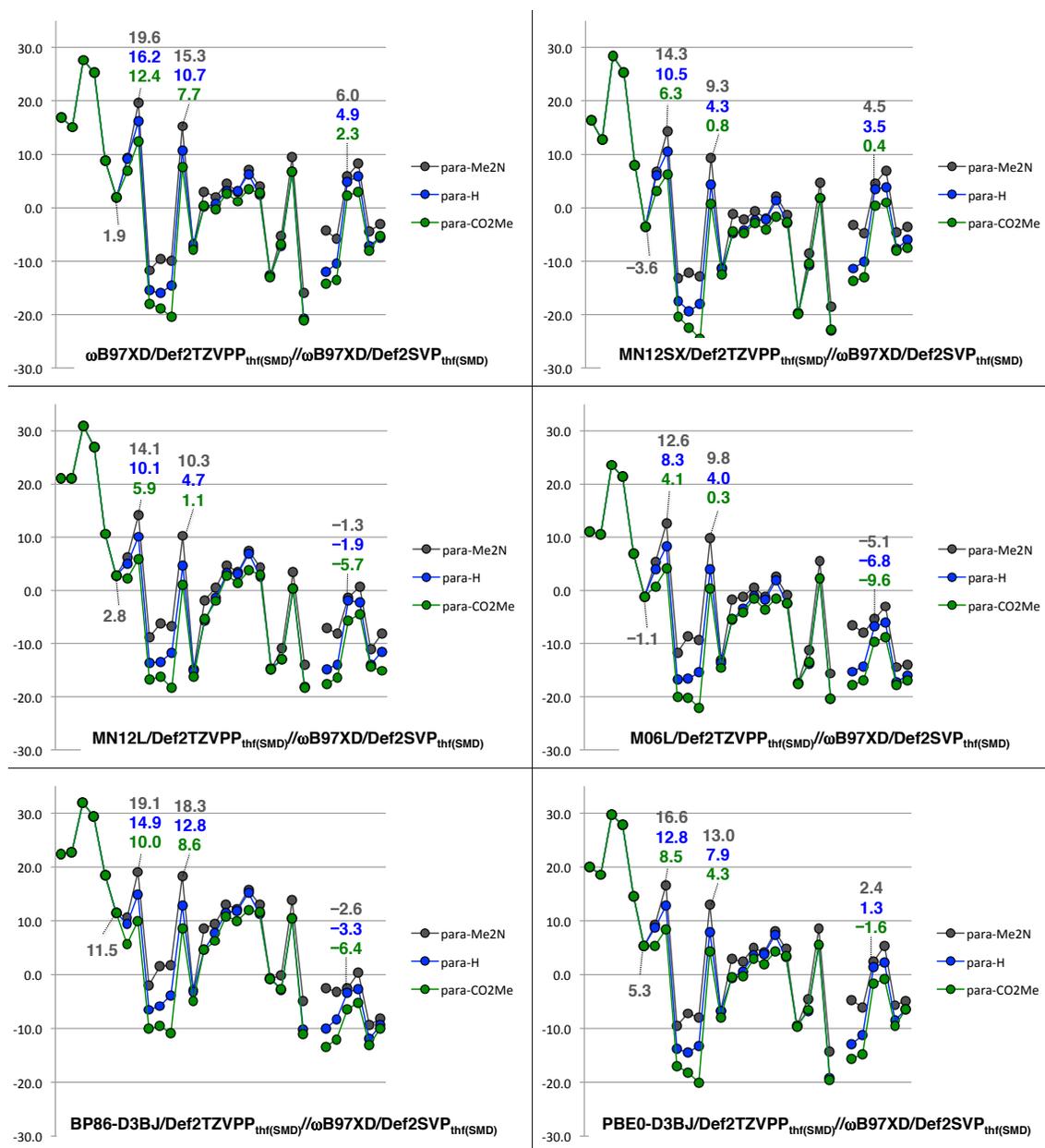


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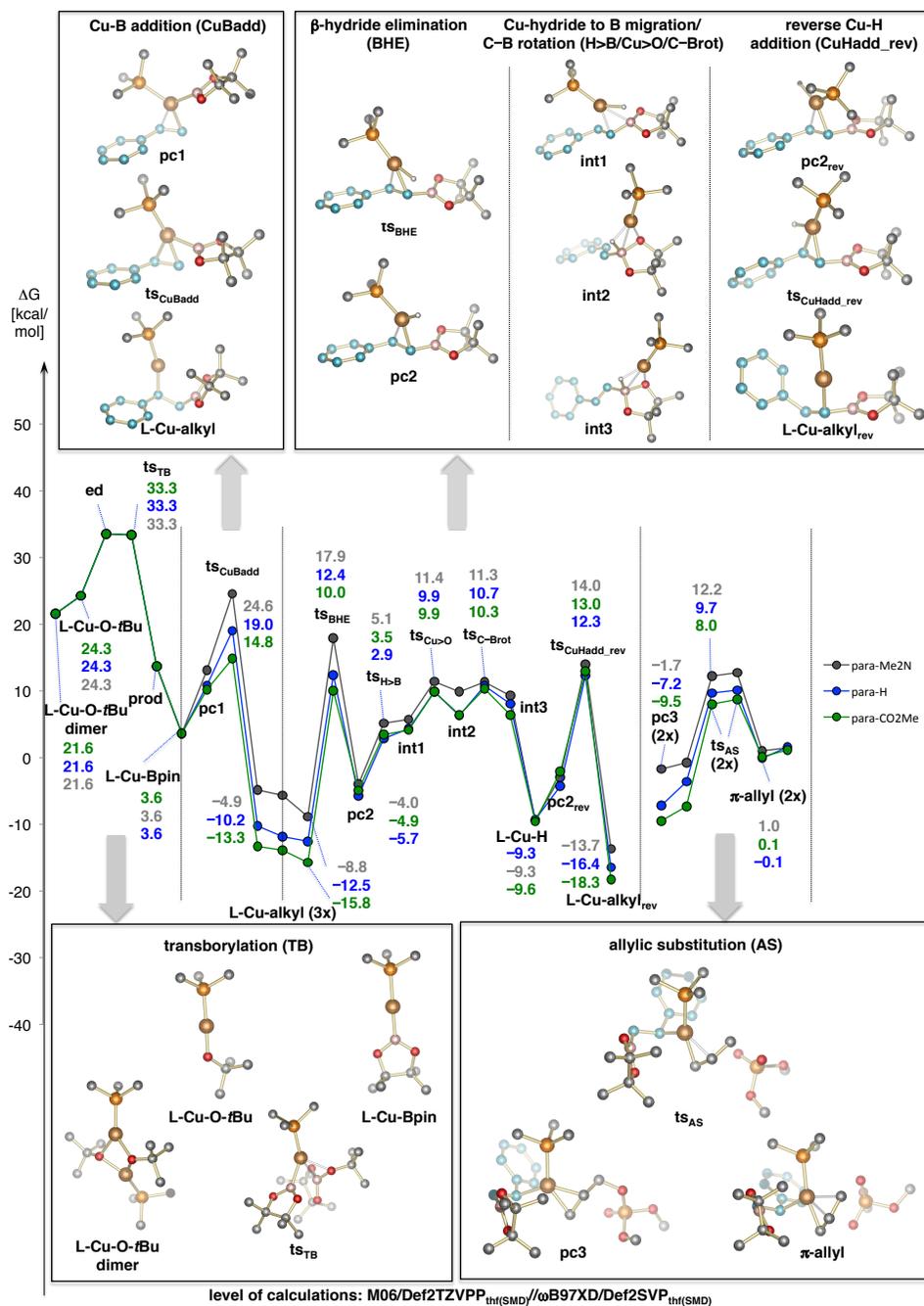


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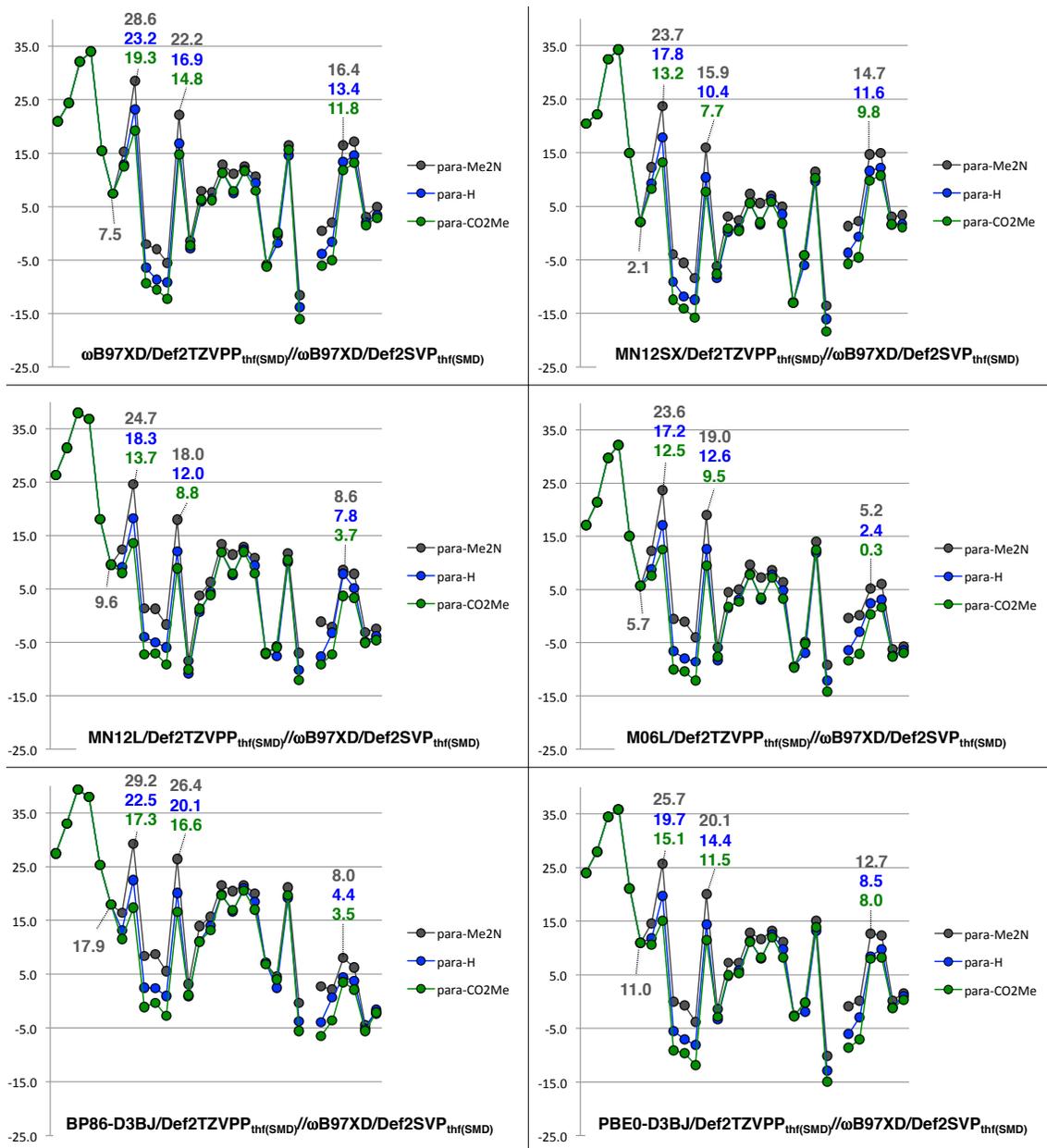
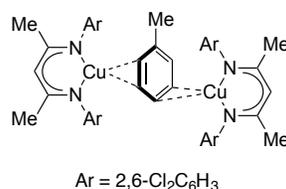


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Feasibility of Cu–H re-addition as a possible reason for lowering of *e.r.* In search of a rationale regarding the diminution in enantioselectivity when allyl phosphate concentration is decreased, we first considered a Cu–H elimination/re-addition sequence. Nonetheless, Cu–H addition to the opposite enantiotopic face of the *same* alkenyl–B(pin) molecule seems unlikely, especially considering the substantial amounts of unreacted aryl olefin present.

Nevertheless, one feasible mechanism for Cu–H re-addition to the opposite face of the alkenyl–B(pin) without dissociation from that olefin might be as follows: migration of **L–Cu–H** from the double bond in **pc2** toward boron to generate borate⁶⁸ species **int2** (Figure 2.1), which would allow for rotation around the C–B bond (**ts_{Cu–Brot}**, 3.6 kcal/mol) and addition to the opposite face of the olefin. Computational studies reveal that such a pathway would be energetically much less favored compared to formation of the separated entities [i.e., **L–Cu–H** + alkenyl–B(pin), –17.1 kcal/mol]. The absence of a stable adduct with the linear **L–Cu–H** species suggests that olefin exchange followed by Cu–H addition to a different olefin is preferred. What is more, we have been unable to locate a stable adduct between **L–Cu–H** and the aromatic ring moiety of the model alkenyl–B(pin) complex. Unlike bent β -diketiminato-Cu species (shown below), reported to form isolable adducts with toluene^{68c}, binding of a linear **L–Cu–H** species is unfavorable due to the energy required to distort the linear geometry (see Figure 10.1 for the **L–Cu–Me** species).

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Site Selectivity of Cu–H addition to an aryl-substituted alkenyl–B(pin) compound.

Cu–H addition to an alkenyl–B(pin) compound probably occurs with the opposite site selectivity compared to a monosubstituted aryl olefin (3.6 kcal/mol for **ts**_{CuHadd_rev} vs. 5.1 kcal/mol for **ts**_{BHE}), leading to linear **NHCMe₂–Cu–alkyl_{rev}** species with the Cu atom bound to homobenzylic carbon bearing the Bpin group (Figure 2.1). The latter scenario has been verified through spectroscopic investigations (see NMR experiments, 1.5.9) with ligand **L3c** (i.e., **L3c–Cu–H** generation from PHMS and **L3c–Cu–Ot–Bu**, followed by addition to alkenyl–B(pin) substrates, synthesized independently, leads to generation of **L3c–Cu–alkyl_{rev}**). The proposed site selectivity of Cu–H addition to an alkenyl–B(pin) is supported by the pioneering report of Sadighi⁶⁹.

Next, we investigated the significance of the electronic properties of aryl olefin substrates. Cu–B(pin) addition is significantly more favored with *p*-methylesterstyrene (7.8 kcal/mol for **ts**_{CuBadd}) compared to *p*-dimethylaminostyrene (14.9 kcal/mol), which is also reflected in the greater reaction exothermicity (–25.0 kcal/mol for the lowest **L–Cu–alkyl** conformer; green curve in Figure 2.1). The positive effect of an electron-withdrawing aryl substituent on reaction rate suggests that background reactivity starting from phosphine-free CuOt–Bu species might be significantly higher than association of bis-

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phosphine **L3a** with the phosphine-free Cu–Bpin intermediate (see Figure 4a in the manuscript).

The effect of an electron-withdrawing substituent on rate (transition state effect) appears to be considerably larger than the ability of an electron-withdrawing styrene to stabilize various (CuOt-Bu)_n species (ground state effect), ruling out styrene assisted deaggregation of oligomeric/polymeric (CuOt-Bu)_n species as reason for e.r. fluctuations (see also the discussion associated with Figures 8–9 below). Furthermore, the decreased nucleophilicity of the **Me₂NHC–Cu–alkyl** species derived from *p*-methylesterstyrene reduces the rate of allylic substitution (–1.3 kcal/mol for **ts_{AS}**, which corresponds to a barrier of 26.3 kcal/mol relative to the most stable **Me₂NHC–Cu–alkyl** species; green curve, Figure 2.1). In the case of the substrate bearing a *p*-dimethylaminoaryl moiety the energy of **ts_{AS}** is 2.4 kcal/mol, corresponding to a barrier of only 18.4 kcal/mol (relative to the most stable **Me₂NHC–Cu–alkyl** species; grey curve, Figure 2.1). The lower reactivity of the **Me₂NHC–Cu–alkyl** species derived from *p*-methylesterstyrene towards allylic substitution (AS) renders the alternative Cu–H elimination pathway more competitive (2.0 kcal/mol for **ts_{BHE}**, which is only 3.3 kcal/mol above **ts_{AS}**). With *p*-dimethylaminoaryl system the energy difference between **ts_{BHE}** and **ts_{AS}** is larger (7.5 kcal/mol).

Similar trends are obtained when the calculations are performed in presence of a neutral **PMe₃** model ligand (Figure 3 compared to L = **NHCMe₂**, Figure 2). Notable distinctions are the greater propensity of the **Me₃P–Cu–Ot–Bu** species to dimerize (21.6 kcal/mol for dimer vs. 24.3 kcal/mol for monomer; Figure 3.1), likely reflecting the lower

nucleophilicity of the d orbitals on Cu in **Me₃P–Cu–O*t*-Bu**⁶³. Further, **Me₃P–Cu–B(pin)** is 3.6 kcal/mol above **L3a–Cu–B(pin)**, whereas **Me₂NHC–Cu–B(pin)** is more stable than the reference point with ligand **L3a** (–2.8 kcal/mol; Figure 2.1). The lower binding affinity of phosphine as opposed to NHC ligands likely renders reactions promoted by phosphines more prone to undesired reactivity resulting from ligand loss.

Differences Between Density Functionals in Figures 2 & 3

Despite the similarity in trends between various density functionals there are notable distinctions. For example, **Me₂NHC–Cu–B(pin)** is more stable than **L3a–Cu–B(pin)** only with functionals M06, MN12SX and M06L (–2.8, –3.6 and –1.1 kcal/mol, respectively; Figure 2.2). PBE0-D3BJ and particularly BP86-D3BJ, which tend to overestimate dispersion when the large bis-phosphine **L3a** is involved, predict **Me₂NHC–Cu–B(pin)** to be 5.3 and 11.5 kcal/mol, respectively, less stable than **L3a–Cu–B(pin)** (Figure 2.2). Presumably, the energy for binding of the bis-phosphine ligand to Cu is overestimated. (Because spectroscopic experiments, as detailed in 1.5.9, indicate facile loss of the chiral ligand, the results with BP86-D3BJ are unlikely to be correct). Another instance where appropriate modeling of dispersion forces is central relates to the comparison of unimolecular (e.g., hydride Cu–H elimination) as opposed to bimolecular pathways (e.g., allylic substitution). For example, while there is a small energy gap between **ts_{BHE}** and **ts_{AS}** with functional M06 (5.1 vs. 1.7 kcal/mol; blue curve in Figure 2.1), with functional BP86-D3BJ **ts_{AS}** is favored significantly over **ts_{BHE}** (–3.3 vs. 12.8 kcal/mol; blue curve in Figure 2.2). Functional BP86-D3BJ probably provides an unsatisfactory representation of the mechanism, since the experimental results suggest competitiveness between Cu–H elimination and allylic substitution. The smallest energy

gap between ts_{BHE} and ts_{AS} is predicted with functional MN12SX (4.3 vs. 3.5 kcal/mol; blue curve in Figure 2.2). Nearly identical trends to those described for $\text{L} = \text{NHCMe}_2$ are observed with $\text{L} = \text{PMe}_3$ as the model phosphine (Figure 3.2).

Regarding Displacement of a Bis-phosphine from a Cu Complex by an Aryl Olefin or a Solvent Molecule (Figures 4–7)

Comparison of free energy surfaces for Cu–B(pin) addition with various supporting ligands (L) at the M06/Def2TZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level are shown in Figure 6.1. (For the individual free energy surfaces with L = styrene or thf, see Figures 4 and 5, respectively.) The graphs in Figure 6.1 offer insight regarding the ability of a select number of neutral ligands to stabilize intermediates and transition states along the catalytic cycle. For example, replacement of **L3a** from **L3a–Cu–B(pin)** (0.0 kcal/mol; grey curve in Figure 6.1) by **NHCMe₂** leads to an energy gain of 2.8 kcal/mol (red curve). Likewise, substitution of **PMe₃** affords a slightly less stable structure (3.6 kcal/mol; brown curve).

Styrene and thf are relatively inferior Cu ligands (13.6 and 16.0 kcal/mol; blue and light blue curves). The high energies for transition states $\text{ts}_{\text{CuBadd}}$ and ts_{BHE} for L = thf (39.2 and 33.8 kcal/mol) rule out the feasibility of solvent-stabilized species as reactive intermediates. The situation is less straightforward with styrene. Changing the reference point from a common **L3a–Cu–B(pin)** intermediate to each individual **L–Cu–B(pin)** species (Figure 7) sheds some light on the impact of the electronic nature of L and the facility of each step. It appears that while π -donor ligands (thf) destabilize square planar transition states $\text{ts}_{\text{CuBadd}}$ and ts_{BHE} (23.2 and 17.8 kcal/mol; light blue curve in Figure 7),

π -acceptor ligands exert a more positive impact in this regard (e.g., styrene; 9.3 and 4.8 kcal/mol; blue curve in Figure 7). Competitive π -back-donation from Cu to the styrene molecules may facilitate movement of the B(pin) nucleophile across the lobes of the transition metal's d_{xy} orbital. In other words, Cu–styrene coordination through σ -donation becomes more important, rendering the π^* -orbital on styrene more electrophilic [more facile Cu–B(pin) addition]. These considerations suggest that, at sufficiently high styrene concentration, a Cu–B(pin) addition pathway that is bimolecular in styrene (cf. Scheme 1.35) might become competitive (23.0 and 16.9 kcal/mol for $\text{ts}_{\text{CuBadd}}$ with L = styrene and L = **L3a**, respectively; Figures 6.1). Based on similar principles, β -H (or Cu–H) elimination might be favored with a π -accepting (electron-deficient) aryl olefin (4.8 and 17.8 kcal/mol for ts_{BHE} with L = styrene and L = thf; blue and light blue curves, Figure 7). It is therefore plausible that an aryl olefin might negatively impact enantioselectivity because competition between styrene and an allyl electrophile for **L3a–Cu–alkyl** could result in loss of the bis-phosphine ligand, followed by styrene-promoted Cu–H elimination via ts_{BHE} (L = styrene, 18.4 kcal/mol; blue curve, Figures 6.1); such a process is capable of being competitive with allylic substitution involving bis-phosphine–Cu–alkyl complex (ts_{AS} with L = **L3a** is 16.6 kcal/mol; grey curve, Figures 6.1). The findings illustrated in Figure 7 further illustrate that allylic substitution processes involving **L3a–Cu–alkyl** might be particularly challenging due to steric hindrance. Whereas $\text{ts}_{\text{CuBadd}}$ (15.4 kcal/mol) is significantly higher in energy compared to ts_{AS} (6.1 kcal/mol) with the smaller PMe_3 ligand, the two transition states have nearly identical energies with ligand **L3a** (16.9 and 16.6 kcal/mol, respectively; Figure 7).

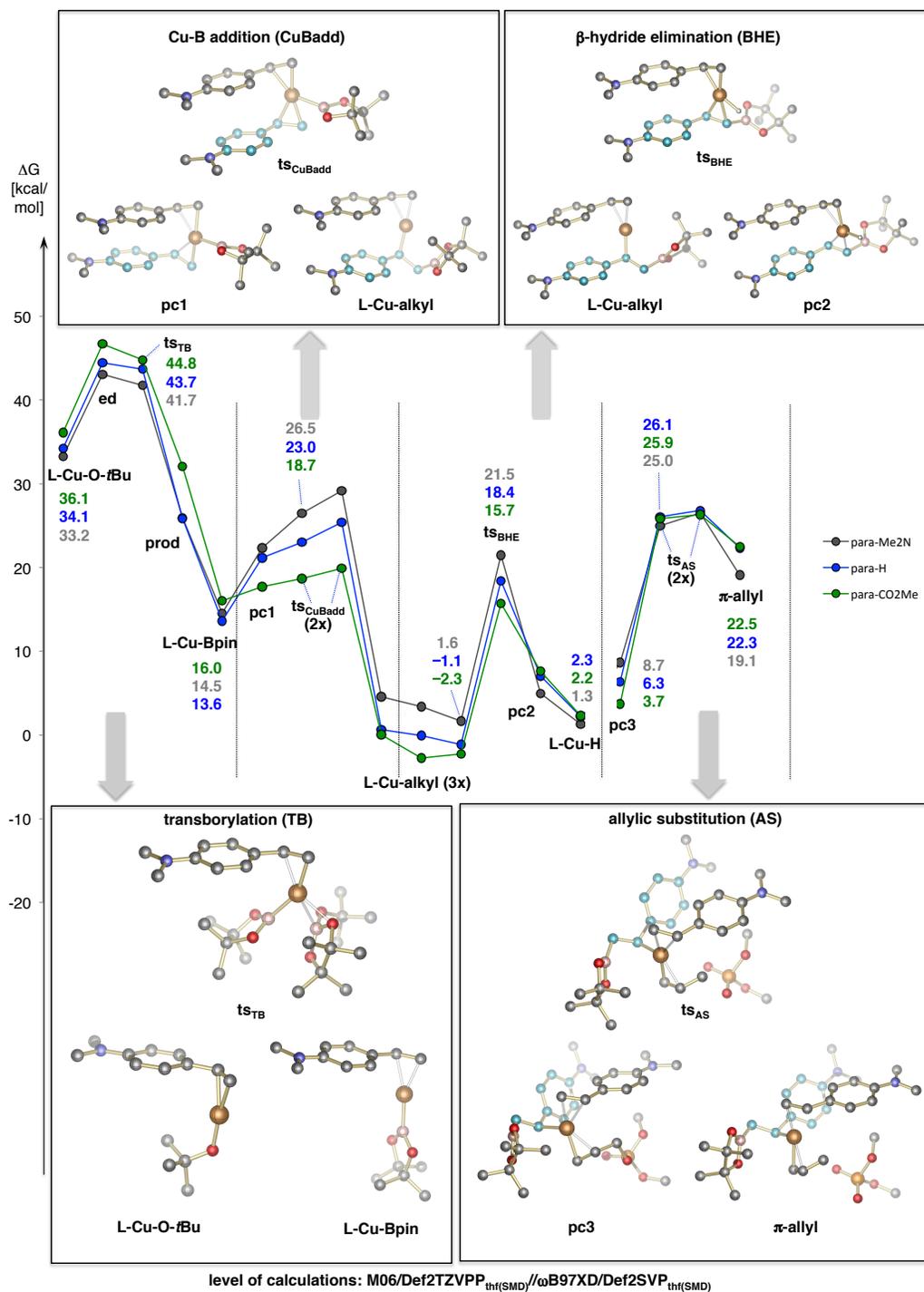


Figure 4.1. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu-B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence with styrene derivatives as the supporting ligand (*p*-Me₂N, grey; *p*-H (styrene), blue; *p*-CO₂Me, green) at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}//ωB97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for ts_{CuBadd}, ts_{AS} and L-Cu-alkyl. The free energies have been referenced to the most stable L3a-Cu-B(pin) conformer, which takes into account the free energy for ligand displacement (see Figure 6.1); the computed structures for L = *p*-Me₂N-styrene are displayed. Abbreviations: TB, transborylation [conversion of Cu-alkoxide to Cu-B(pin)]; BHE, β-hydride (Cu-H) elimination; pc, π-complex.

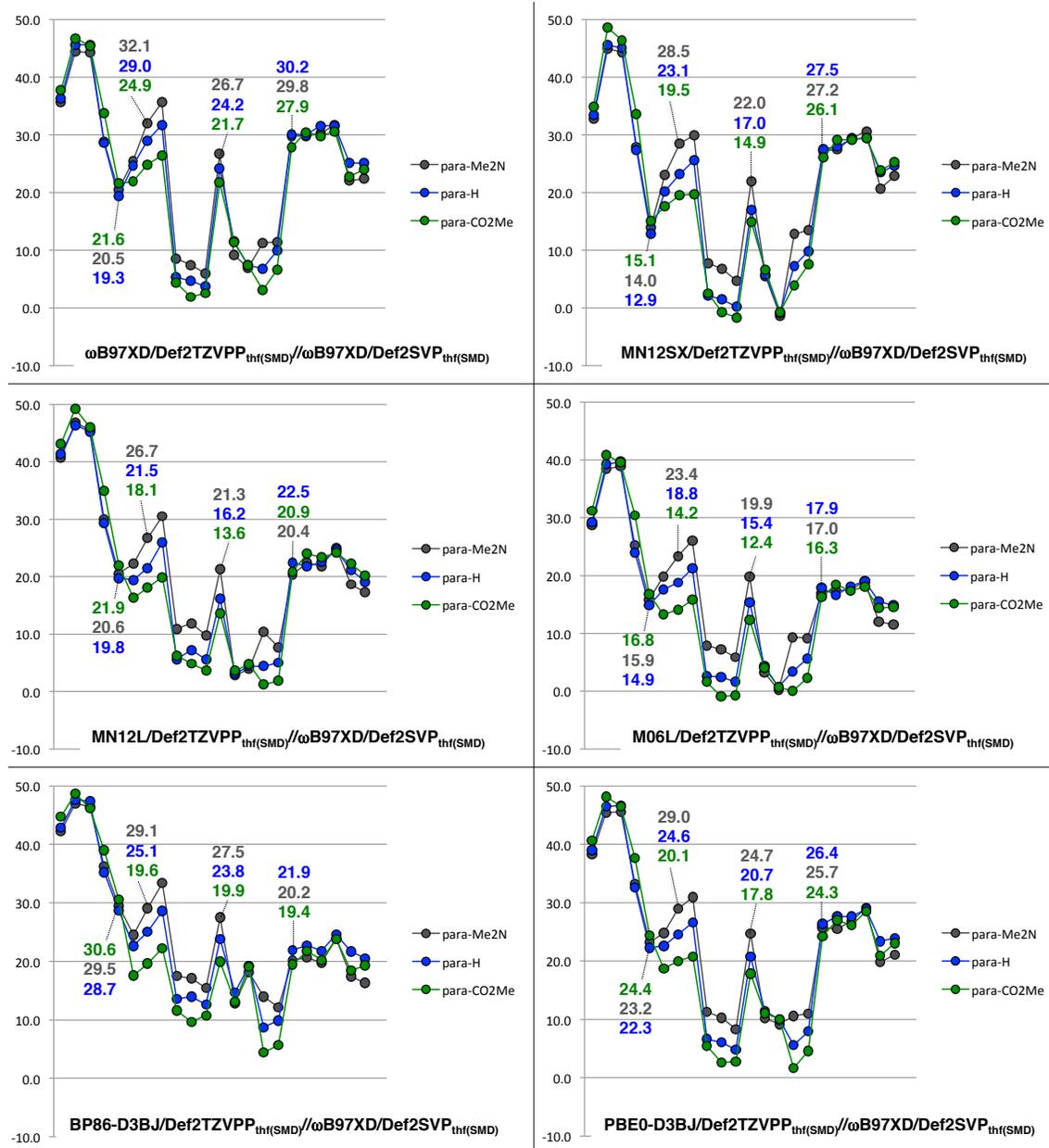


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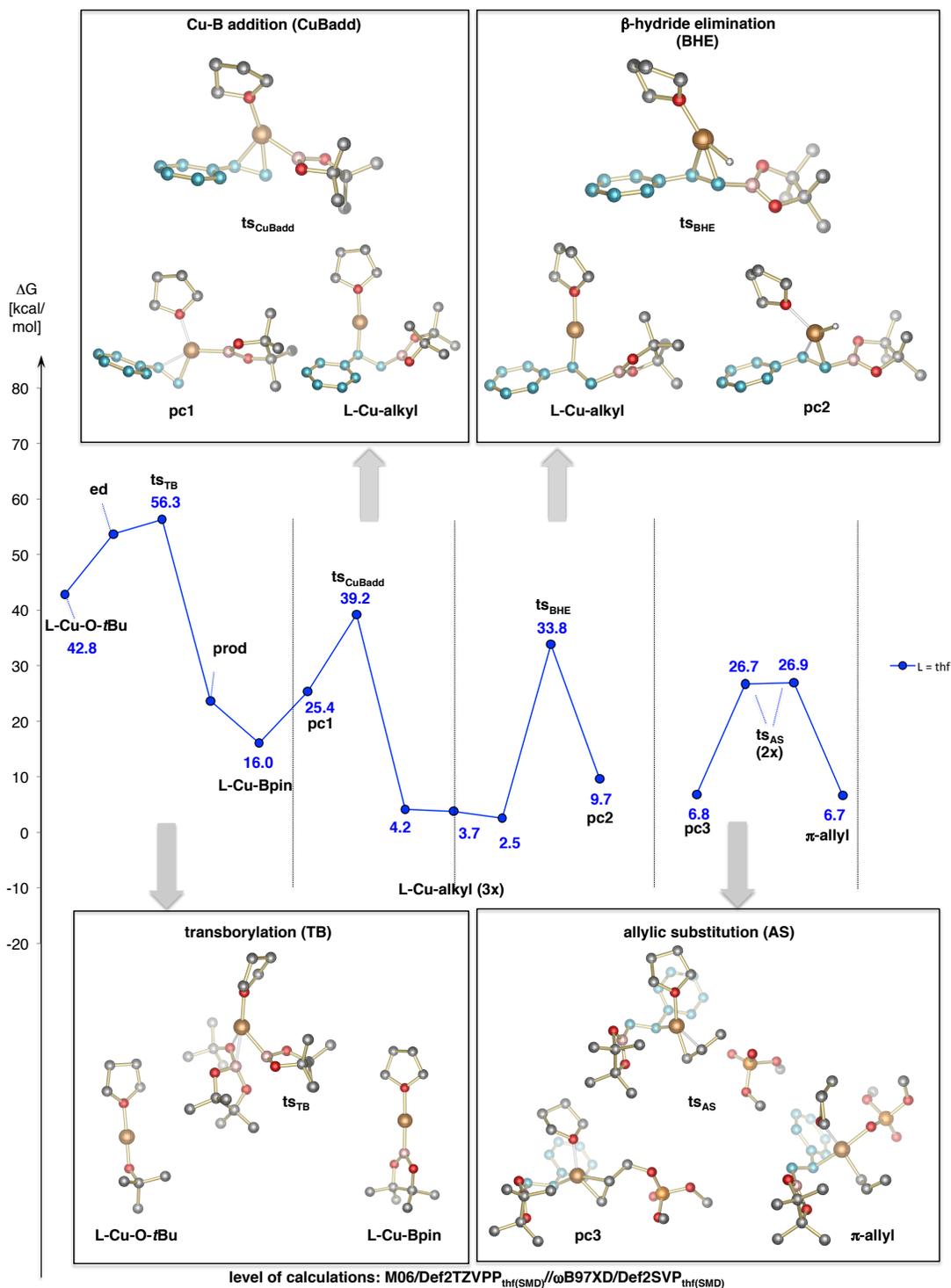


Figure 5.1. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu-B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence with a thf molecule as the supporting ligand at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}//ωB97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for **ts_{AS}** and **L-Cu-alkyl**. The free energies have been referenced to the most stable **L3a-Cu-Bpin** conformer, which takes into account the free energy for ligand displacement (cf. Figure 6.1). Abbreviations: **TB**, transborylation [conversion of Cu-alkoxide to Cu-B(pin)]; **BHE**, β-hydride (Cu-H) elimination; **pc**, π-complex.

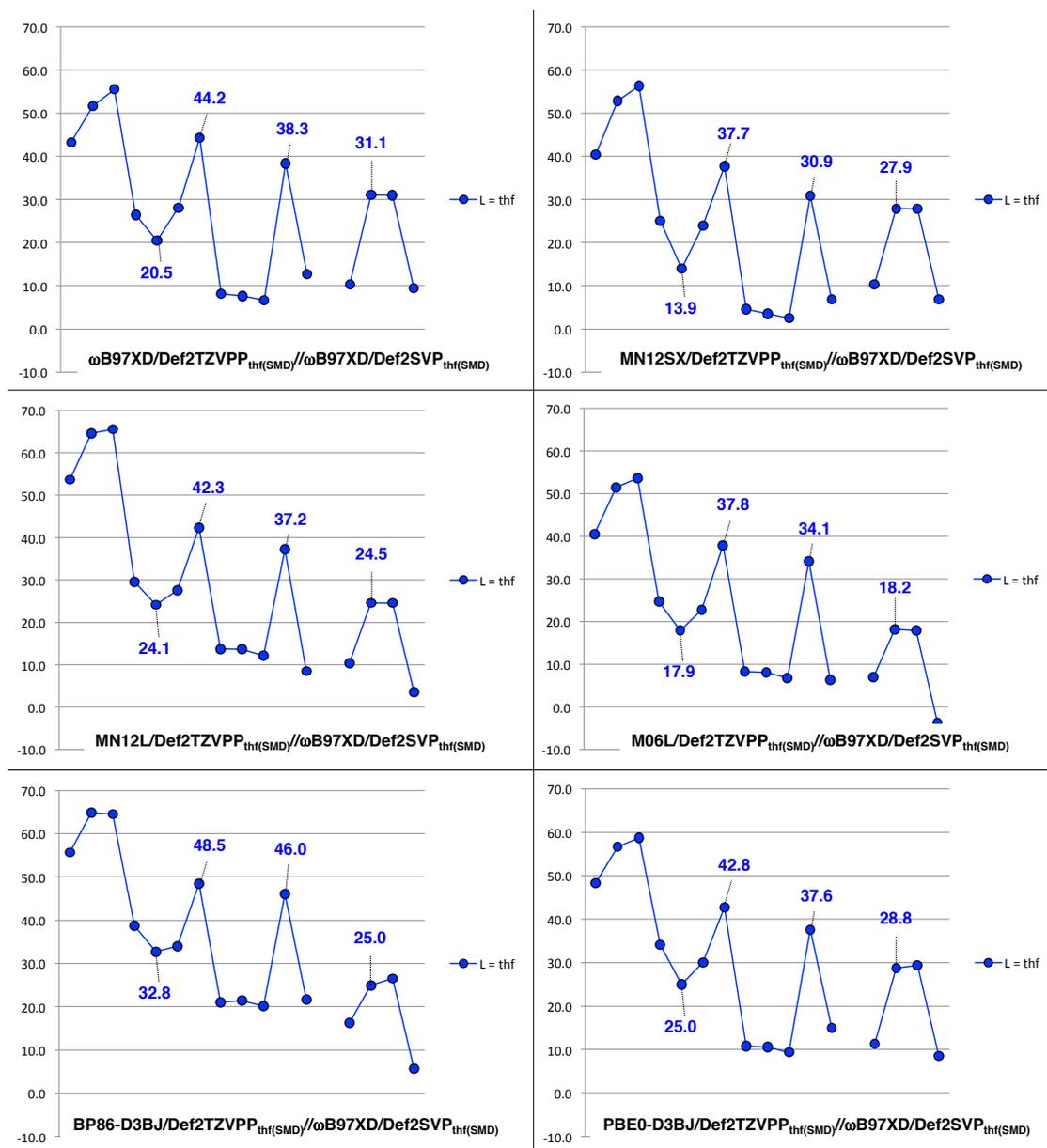


Figure 5.2. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu-B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence with a thf molecule as the supporting ligand with different density functionals after optimization with ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{THF(SMD)}}. For details, see Figure 5.1.

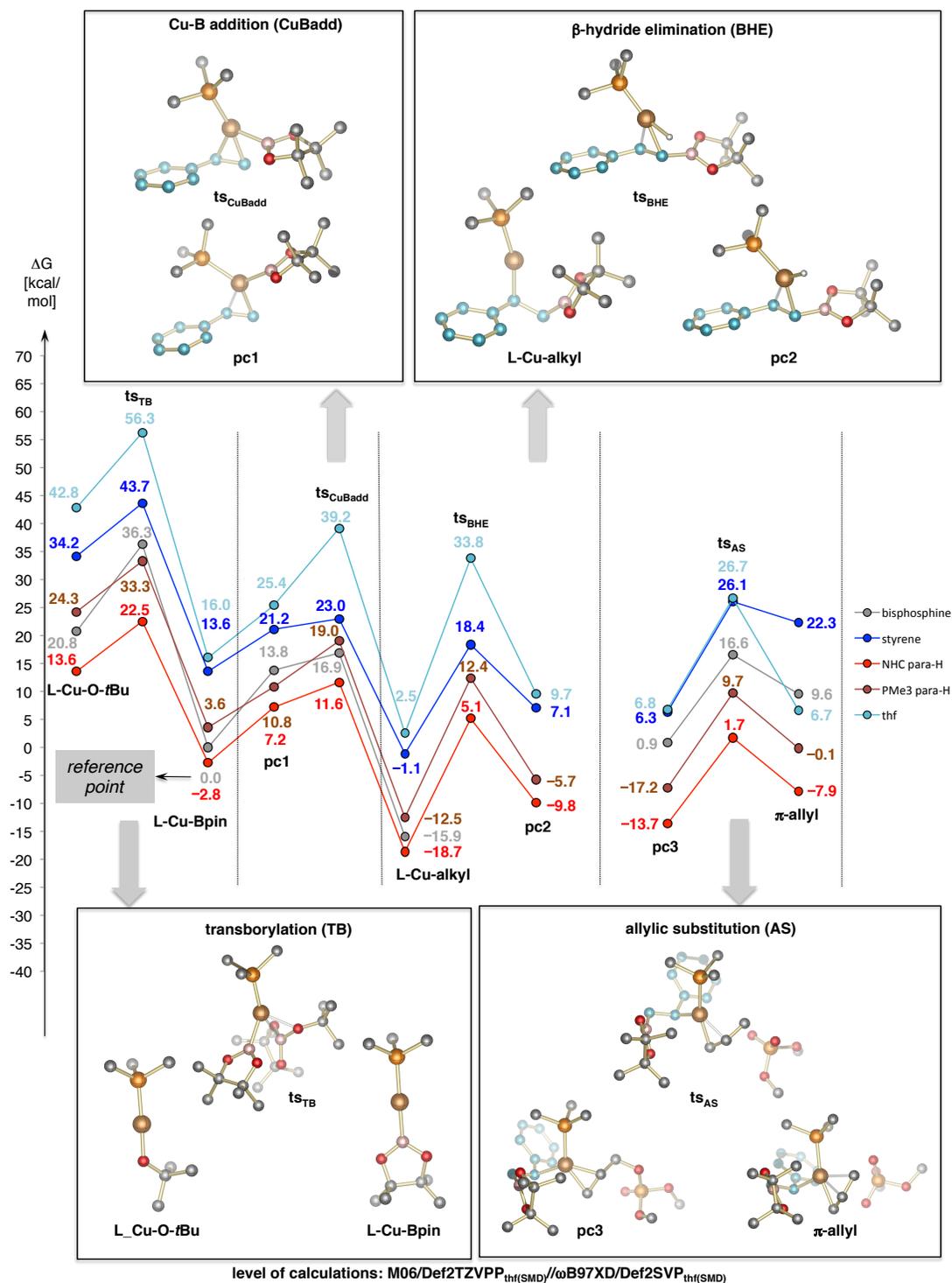


Figure 6.1. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu-B(pin) addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence in presence of various ligands L (**L3a**, grey; **styrene**, blue; model NHC ligand **NHCMe₂**, red; model phosphine ligand **PMe₃**, brown; **thf**, light blue) at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. All free energies have been referenced to the **L3a-Cu-B(pin)** species, which takes into account the free energy of ligand exchange; only computed structures for L = **PMe₃** are shown. Abbreviations: **TB**, transborylation [conversion of Cu-alkoxide to Cu-B(pin)]; **BHE**, β -hydride (Cu-H) elimination; **pc**, π -complex.

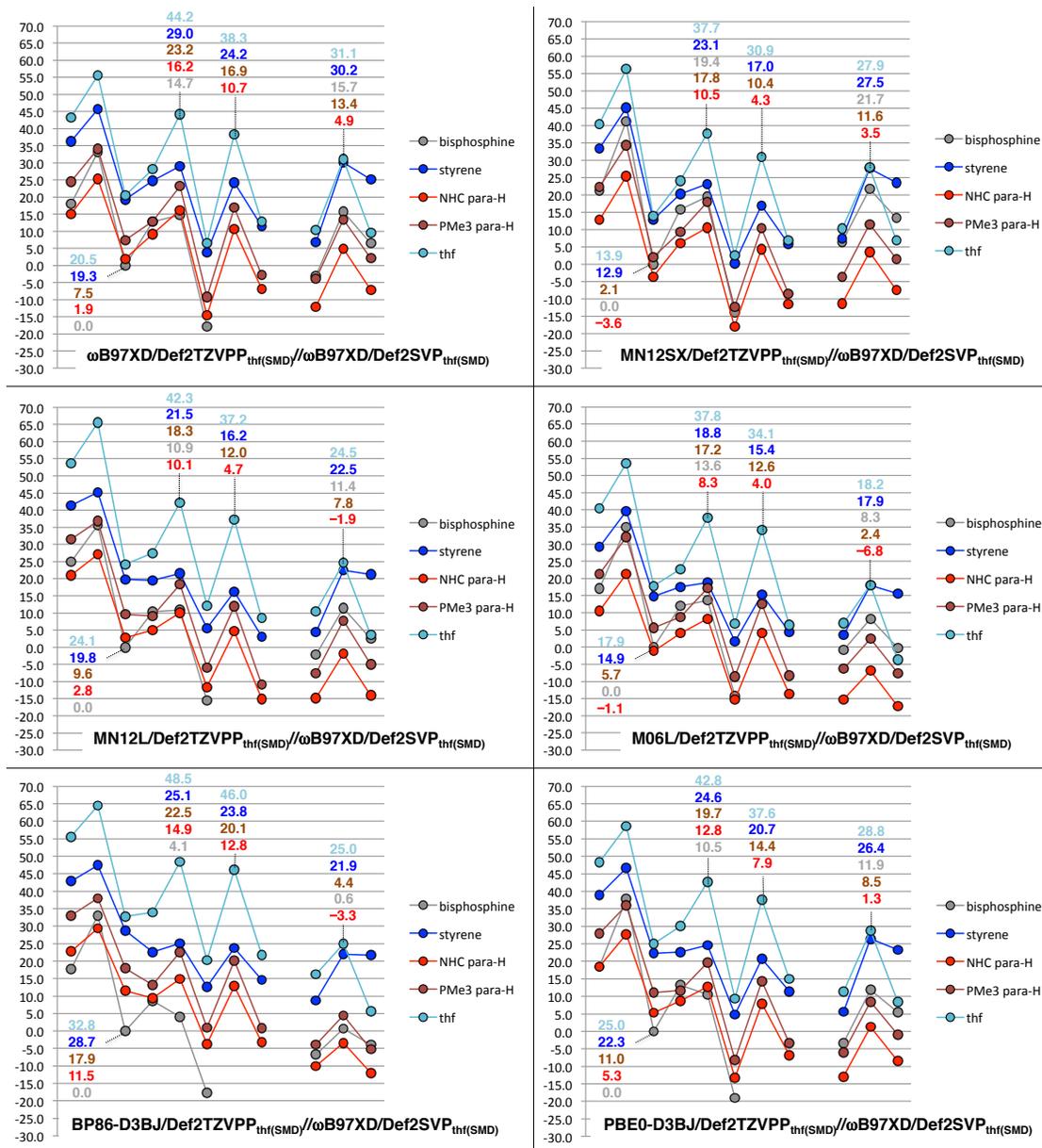


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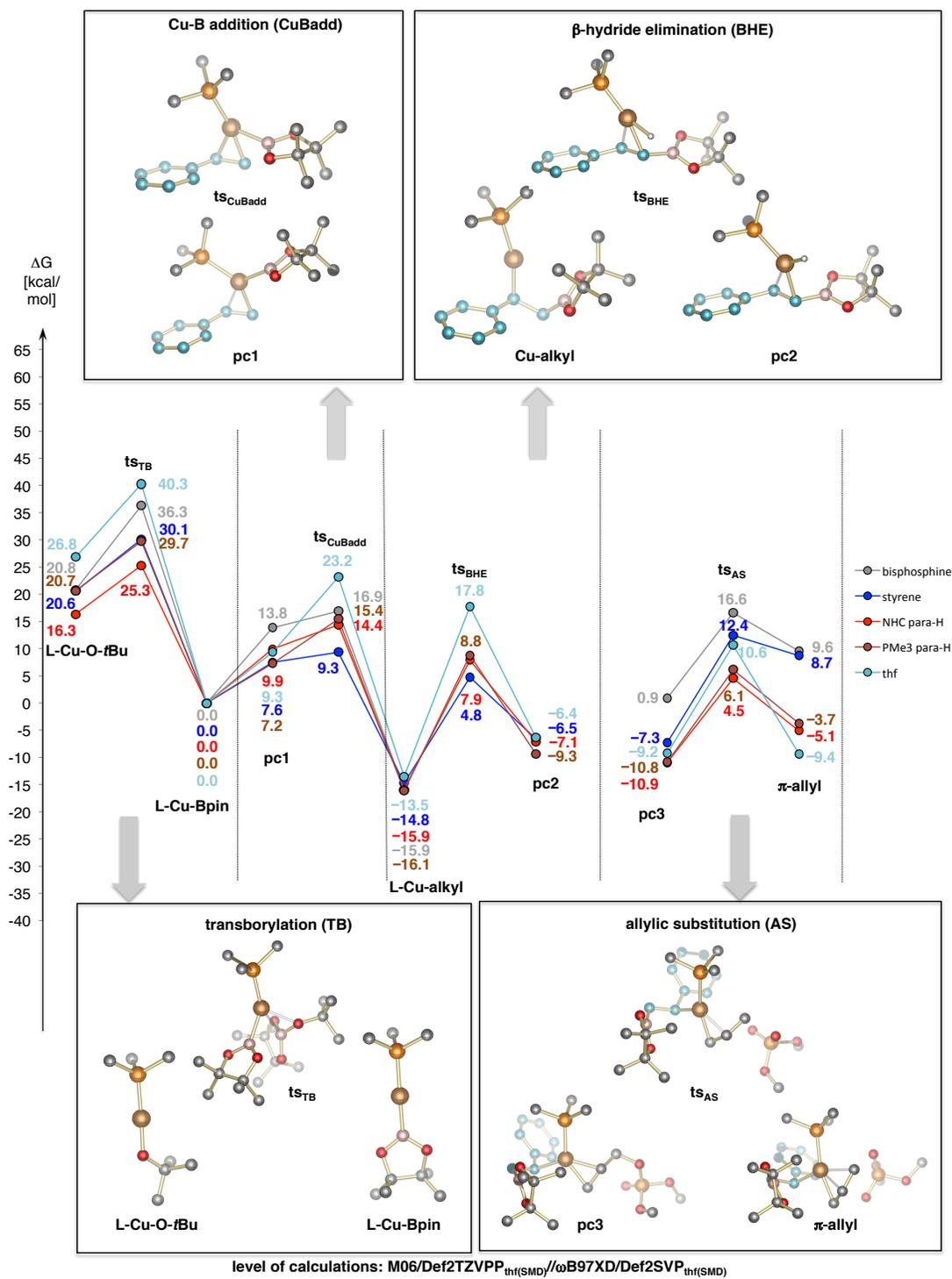


Figure 7. Free energy surfaces for the enantioselective Cu–Bpin addition (CuBadd)/allylic substitution (AS) sequence in presence of various ligands L (L3a, grey; styrene, blue; model NHC ligand NHCMe₂, red; model phosphine ligand PMe₃, brown; thf, light blue) at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}/ ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. The free energies for a given ligand L have been referenced to the L–Cu–B(pin) species, which does not take into account the free energy of ligand exchange; only computed structures for L = PMe₃ are shown. Abbreviations: TB, transborylation [conversion of Cu–alkoxide to Cu–B(pin)]; BHE, β -hydride (Cu–H) elimination; pc, π -complex.

Differences Between Density Functionals and the Negative Impact that an Aryl Olefins Might Have on Enantioselectivity (Figure 6.2)

There are noteworthy differences between various density functionals regarding the probability of competitive pathways, which would entail loss of bis-phosphine **L3a** and a pathway that is second-order in aryl olefin (see Scheme 1.35). For instance ts_{CuBadd} with $L = \mathbf{L3a}$ is less than 7 kcal/mol more stable than ts_{CuBadd} with $L = \text{styrene}$ with M06 (6.1 kcal/mol; Figure 6.1), MN12SX (3.7 kcal/mol; Figure 6.2) and M06L (5.2 kcal/mol; Figure 6.2). (It should be noted that there is significant excess of styrene compared to bis-phosphine **L3a**.) With other density functionals a non-selective Cu-B(pin) addition mechanism that is second-order in styrene seems less likely. Similarly, styrene-induced β -hydride (Cu-H) elimination through the sequence entailing replacement of bis-phosphine **L3a**, followed by ts_{BHE} with $L = \text{styrene}$, could be responsible for lowering of enantioselectivity if predictions made with functionals M06 and particularly MN12SX were correct. That is, with MN12SX allylic substitution involving **L3a-Cu-alkyl** (21.7 kcal/mol; grey curve, Figure 6.2) is energetically more demanding than ts_{BHE} with $L = \text{styrene}$ (17.0 kcal/mol; blue curve, Figure 6.2). In contrast, if the results with BP86-D3BJ, a functional, which tends to overestimate dispersion forces involving the bulky bisphosphine ligand, were correct (which is unlikely), a mechanism entailing styrene-promoted loss of ligand **L3a** could be entirely ruled out (i.e., the grey curve for $L = \mathbf{L3a}$ is significantly below the blue curve for $L = \text{styrene}$, Figure 6.2).

Coordinating Affinity of Aryl Olefins to Cu*Ot*-Bu, Cu*Ot*-Bu dimer, Cu(*Ot*-Bu)₂⁻ and Cu(*Ot*-Bu)₂⁻Na⁺ (cf. Figures 8–9)

To examine the relationship between the electronic attributes of an aryl olefin and its ability to coordinate with various (Cu*Ot*-Bu)_n entities, we carried out the calculations illustrated in Figures 8–9 (M06/Def2TZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ωB97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)}). These data show that replacement of bis-phosphine **L3a** from Cu*Ot*-Bu by styrene is significantly endergonic (13.4 kcal/mol, Figures 8.1) and that electron-rich aryl olefins stabilize linear alkene···Cu–*Ot*-Bu structures more effectively (12.4 vs. 15.3 kcal/mol for *p*-dimethylaminostyrene vs. *p*-methylesterstyrene, respectively; Figure 8.1). The trend is reversed for the dimeric systems, where it appears that π-backbonding to the olefin becomes more of a factor (9.8, 9.6 and 8.8 kcal/mol for *p*-dimethylaminostyrene, styrene and *p*-methylesterstyrene, respectively; Figure 8.1). However, such ground states effects are unlikely to have a major impact on e.r. fluctuations because of the relatively small energy difference resulting from electronic attributes of an aryl olefin together with the relatively low binding affinity of olefins to Cu*Ot*-Bu species⁷⁰ compared to a bis-phosphine.

Similar trends regarding the electronic nature of aryl olefins are observed vis-à-vis binding Cu–(*Ot*-Bu)₂⁻ and Cu–(*Ot*-Bu)₂⁻Na⁺ (Figure 9.1). Association of *p*-methylesterstyrene is favored by 3.8 kcal/mol relative to *p*-NMe₂-styrene, although binding is overall highly endergonic (16.7 kcal/mol for *p*-CO₂Me-styrene; Figure 9.1);

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this might be attributed to the increase in repulsion between the alkoxide oxygen non-bonding electrons when they reside in a cis relationship⁷¹. In contrast, binding to the $\text{Cu}(\text{O}t\text{-Bu})_2\text{Na}^+$ species is only slightly exergonic, with a slight preference for electron-deficient aryl olefins (0.5 and 1.1 kcal/mol relative stabilization for *p*-methylesterstyrene compared to *p*-NMe₂-styrene on the ΔG and ΔE surfaces, respectively; Figure 9.1). Here, repulsion caused by the alkoxide oxygen non-bonding electrons is countered by a Na ion⁷¹, which can favor alkene–Cu association ($G_{\text{rel}} = -0.7$ kcal/mol for *p*-methylesterstyrene; Figure 9.1).

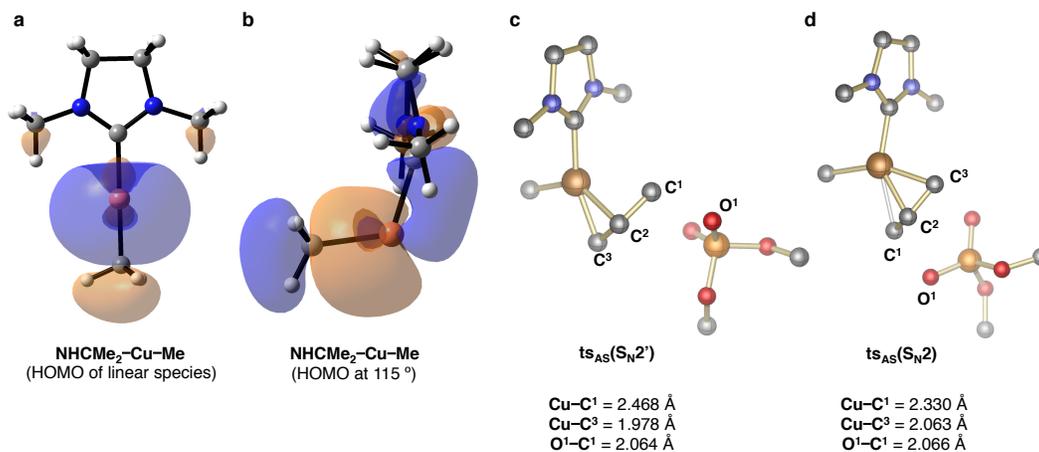
Factors that Impact S_N2' Selectivity (Figure 10)

The free energy transition states for the allylic substitution (AS) step was carried out with a system that contains a model phosphine (**PMe₃**) and NHC (**NHCMe₂**) ligand at the M06/Def2TZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level (Figure 10.1). With L = **PMe₃** reaction of the linear nucleophilic L–Cu–Me species^{63b} with allylphosphate in a S_N2'-type fashion (24.7 kcal/mol) is predicted to be 1.4 kcal/mol lower in free energy (compared to the S_N2-type transition state, 26.1 kcal/mol). A similar trend is observed with L = **NHCMe₂** (24.7 vs. 27.2 kcal/mol). Furthermore, it appears that the presence of an NHC ligand does not mean faster allylic substitution (compared to a phosphine); this can be attributed to the relatively high energy required to distort the L–Cu–Me species from its linear geometry into a bent form (18.0 kcal/mol required to reach a 115 ° angle vs. 14.5 kcal/mol for the corresponding PMe₃ species; Figure 10.1). It is likely that a

(71) A similar phenomenon has been described during polytopal rearrangements and olefin metathesis reactions of Ru carbene complexes. See: (a) Torker, S.; Khan, R. K. M.; Hoveyda, A. H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2014**, *136*, 3439–3455. (b) Khan, R. K. M.; Torker, S.; Hoveyda, A. H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2013**, *135*, 10258–10261.

potential positive influence of an NHC ligand may be attributed to diminished tendency for aggregate formation (as discussed above). As shown by Nakamura in connection to anionic cuprate complexes^{63,64a}, such “hetero-cuprate” Cu(I)–alkyl species in their bent form (Scheme 1.37a; stronger Me compared to weaker NHC/phosphine donor) display an increased orbital coefficient on the d_{xy} orbital lobe that is *cis* to the more nucleophilic alkyl group (HOMO at an angle of 115°; Scheme 1.37b); this favors addition of the allyl electrophile so that the larger coefficient on C3 is *trans* to less nucleophilic/neutral NHC/phosphine ligand (Scheme 1.37c). In addition to these electronic effects, the involvement of a chelate interaction between a phosphate/carboxylate leaving group with either a cyanide ligand (as proposed by Nakamura)^{64a} or a pendant sulfonate group⁶⁵ is probably not a necessary prerequisite for obtaining high S_N2' -selectivity, but it can assist in difficult cases such as those where a bulky allyl electrophile is involved. In other words, reactions promoted by alkyl–Cu–PR₃ species and a small/unsubstituted allyl electrophile are highly S_N2' selective (cf. Figure 4d in the manuscript). Our studies further show that allylic substitution transition state $ts_{AS}(S_N2')$ is relatively early in character (i.e., it resembles the square-planar olefin π -complex generated from complexation to the C2=C3 double bond) with a relatively short Cu–C3 bond length of 1.978 Å and a comparatively extended Cu–C1 bond (2.468 Å). On the other hand, $ts_{AS}(S_N2)$ is more “product-like” (that is, it more resembles the high-energy, square-planar π -allyl species), as indicated by the smaller difference between the Cu–C1 and Cu–C3 bond lengths (2.330 and 2.063 Å, respectively), which is in agreement with an earlier report^{64a}.

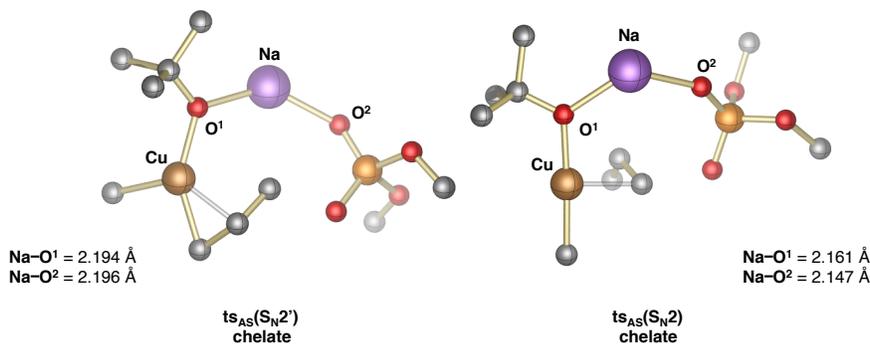
Scheme 1.37. S_N2' selectivity in allylic substitution (AS) promoted by “heterocuprate-like” $\text{Me}_2\text{NHC-Cu-Me}$; (a) HOMO of linear ground state; (b) HOMO of bent ground state ($\text{Me-Cu-C}^{\text{NHC}} = 115^\circ$); (c) transition state for S_N2' -type mode of addition; (d) transition state for S_N2 -type mode of addition.



A similar trend, as described for Cu species bearing neutral NHC or phosphine ligands, is observed for the reaction catalyzed by L-Cu-Me ($\text{L} = \text{Na-O}t\text{Bu}$). The energies for $\text{ts}_{\text{AS}}(\text{S}_{\text{N}}2')$ and $\text{ts}_{\text{AS}}(\text{S}_{\text{N}}2)$ are 24.6 and 26.4 kcal/mol, respectively (left graph, Figure 10.1). (It should be noted that there is no intermolecular coordination between the phosphate leaving group and the Na counterion). In the alternative cases with intramolecular coordination of the phosphate leaving group to the Na cation bound to the alkoxide there is significant stabilization of both types of transition states (18.4 and 14.8 kcal/mol, respectively for $\text{ts}_{\text{AS}}(\text{S}_{\text{N}}2')$ _{chelate} and $\text{ts}_{\text{AS}}(\text{S}_{\text{N}}2)$ _{chelate}; cf. Figure 10.1), although this lowering in energy is likely overestimated and subject to significant uncertainties due to the presumably more complex coordination environment in solution (i.e., larger chelate structures with additional molecules of base, etc). Nonetheless, trends in energies and structural features might provide a hint for why background reactions [i.e., those catalyzed by L-Cu-Me ($\text{L} = \text{NaO}t\text{-Bu}$)] are less regioselective (Scheme 1.38). In case of the S_N2' -type transition state with a chelating interaction, the Na-O^1 and Na-O^2 bond lengths are 2.194 and 2.196 Å, respectively. This is significantly longer than when the Cu

center displaces the phosphate with its d_{z^2} orbital through an S_N2 -type mechanism (2.161 and 2.147 Å for Na–O¹ and Na–O², respectively; Scheme 1.38). These findings imply that $ts_{AS}(S_N2')$ _{chelate} might be more strained, which is reflected in the larger entropy corrections to the free energy ($\Delta G_{corr} = 15.0$ vs. 10.8 kcal/mol for $ts_{AS}(S_N2')$ _{chelate} vs. $ts_{AS}(S_N2)$ _{chelate}, respectively; doi:10.1038/nchem.2861).

Scheme 1.38. Geometries of transition states for allylic substitution (AS) for background reaction with a chelate bridge between *tert*-butoxide and phosphate through a Na counterion.



Intramolecular coordination of the phosphate leaving group to the Na cation bound to the alkoxide leads to significant stabilization of both types of transition states (18.4 and 14.8 kcal/mol, respectively for $ts_{AS}(S_N2')$ _{chelate} and $ts_{AS}(S_N2)$ _{chelate}; cf. Figure 10.1), although this lowering in energy is likely overestimated and subject to significant uncertainties due to the presumably more complex coordination environment in solution (i.e., larger chelate structures with additional molecules of base, etc). Nonetheless, trends in energies and structural features might provide a hint for why background reactions are less regioselective (Scheme 1.38). In case of the S_N2' -type transition state with a chelating interaction, the Na–O¹ and Na–O² bond lengths are 2.194 and 2.196 Å, respectively. This is significantly longer than when the Cu center displaces the phosphate with its d_{z^2} orbital through an S_N2 -type mechanism (2.161 and 2.147 Å for Na–O¹ and Na–O², respectively; Scheme 1.38). These findings imply that $ts_{AS}(S_N2')$ _{chelate} might be more strained, which is

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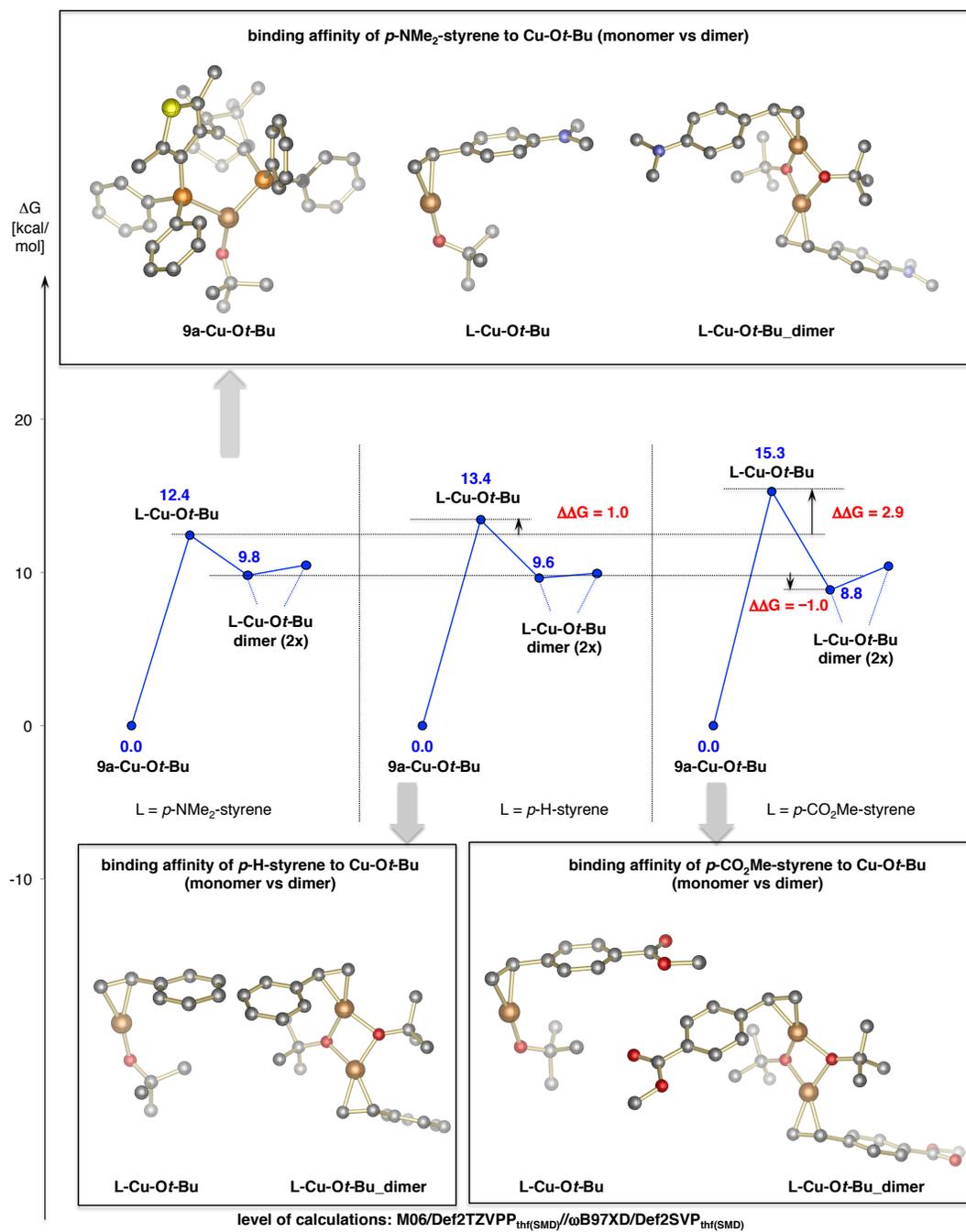


Figure 8.1. Free energy surfaces for binding affinity of various styrene derivatives (*p*-Me₂N, left; *p*-H (styrene), center; *p*-CO₂Me, right) to the CuOt-Bu monomer or dimer (CuOt-Bu-dimer) at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for L-CuOt-Bu-dimer; the free energies have been referenced to 3La-Cu-Ot-Bu, which takes into account the free energy for ligand displacement (cf. Figure 6.1).

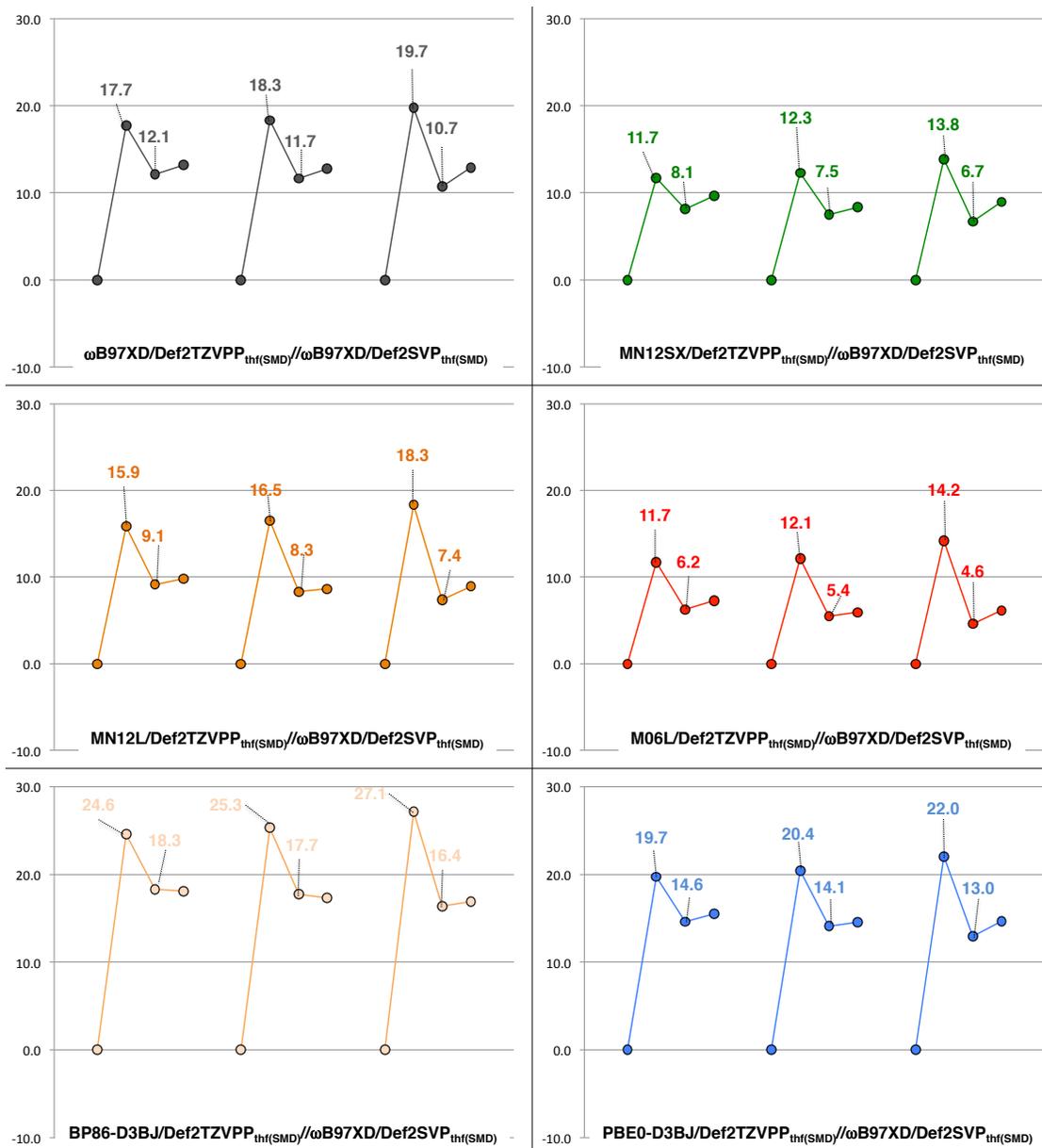


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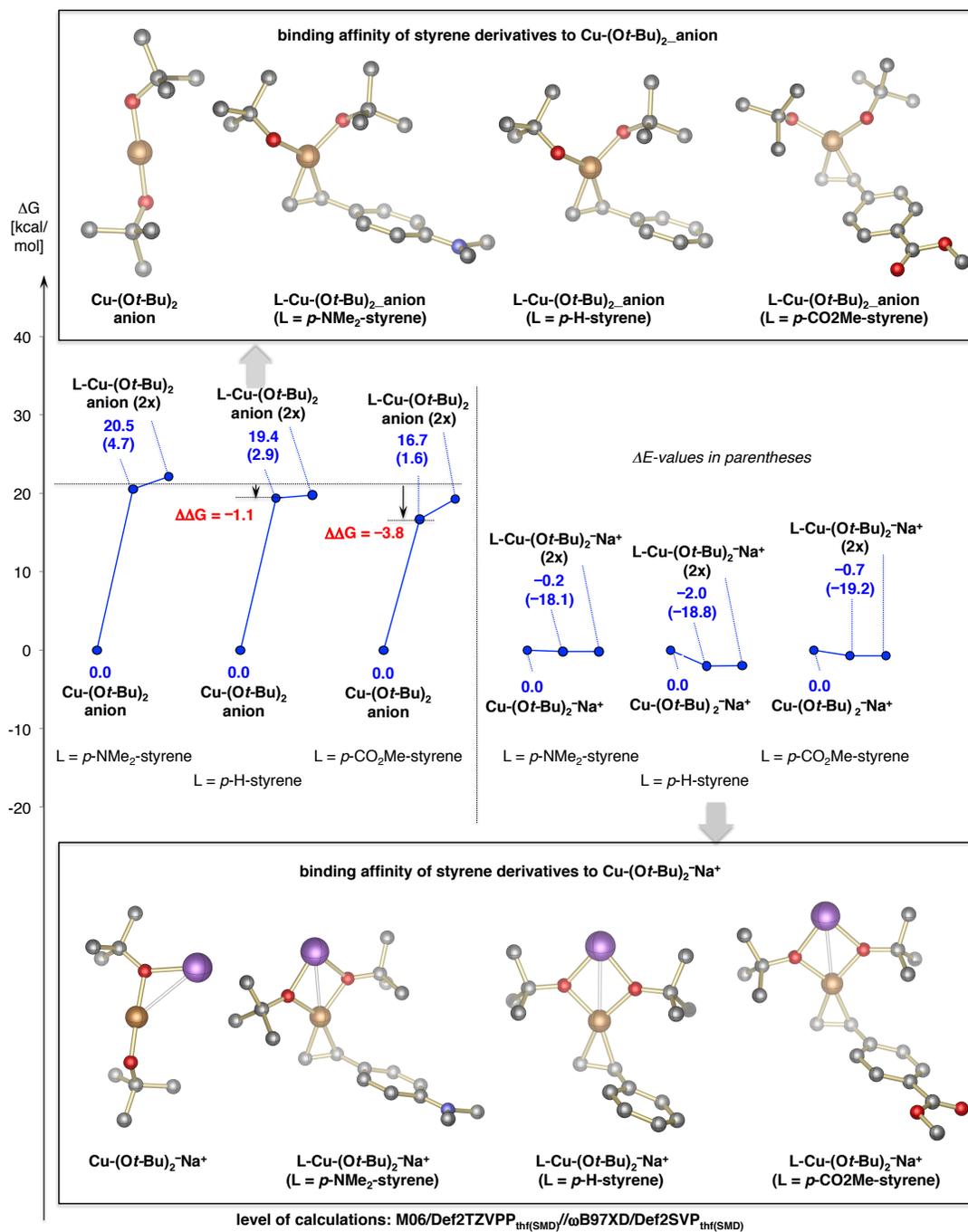


Figure 9.1. Free energy surfaces for binding affinity of various styrene derivatives (*p*-Me₂N, *p*-H (styrene) and *p*-CO₂Me) to the $\text{Cu}(\text{O}t\text{-Bu})_2^-$ (left) and the species bound to Na ($\text{Cu}(\text{O}t\text{-Bu})_2^- \text{Na}^+$) (left) at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}//ωB97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown. The free energies have been referenced to the linear structures for $\text{Cu}(\text{O}t\text{-Bu})_2^-$ and $\text{Cu}(\text{O}t\text{-Bu})_2^- \text{Na}^+$.

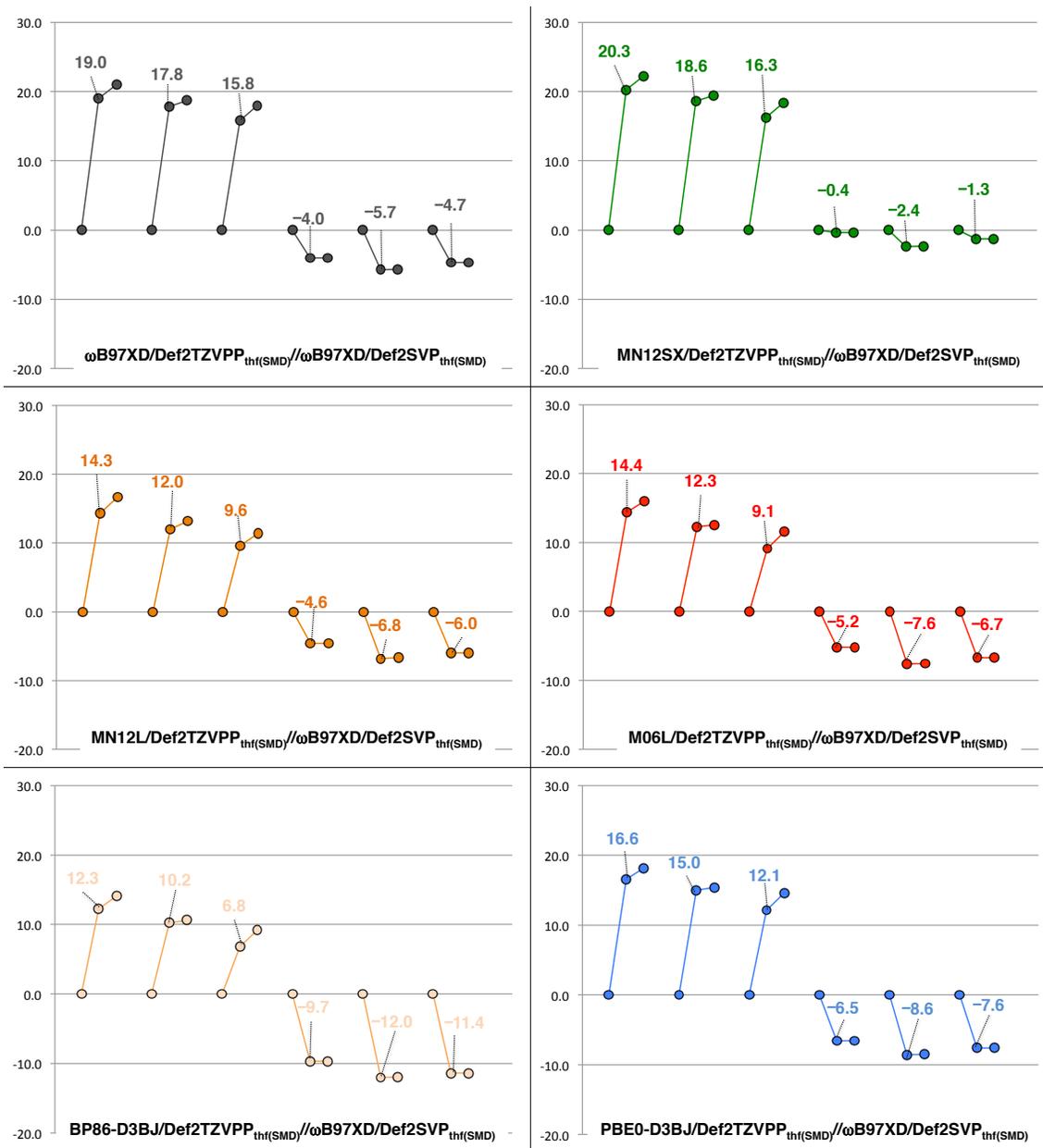


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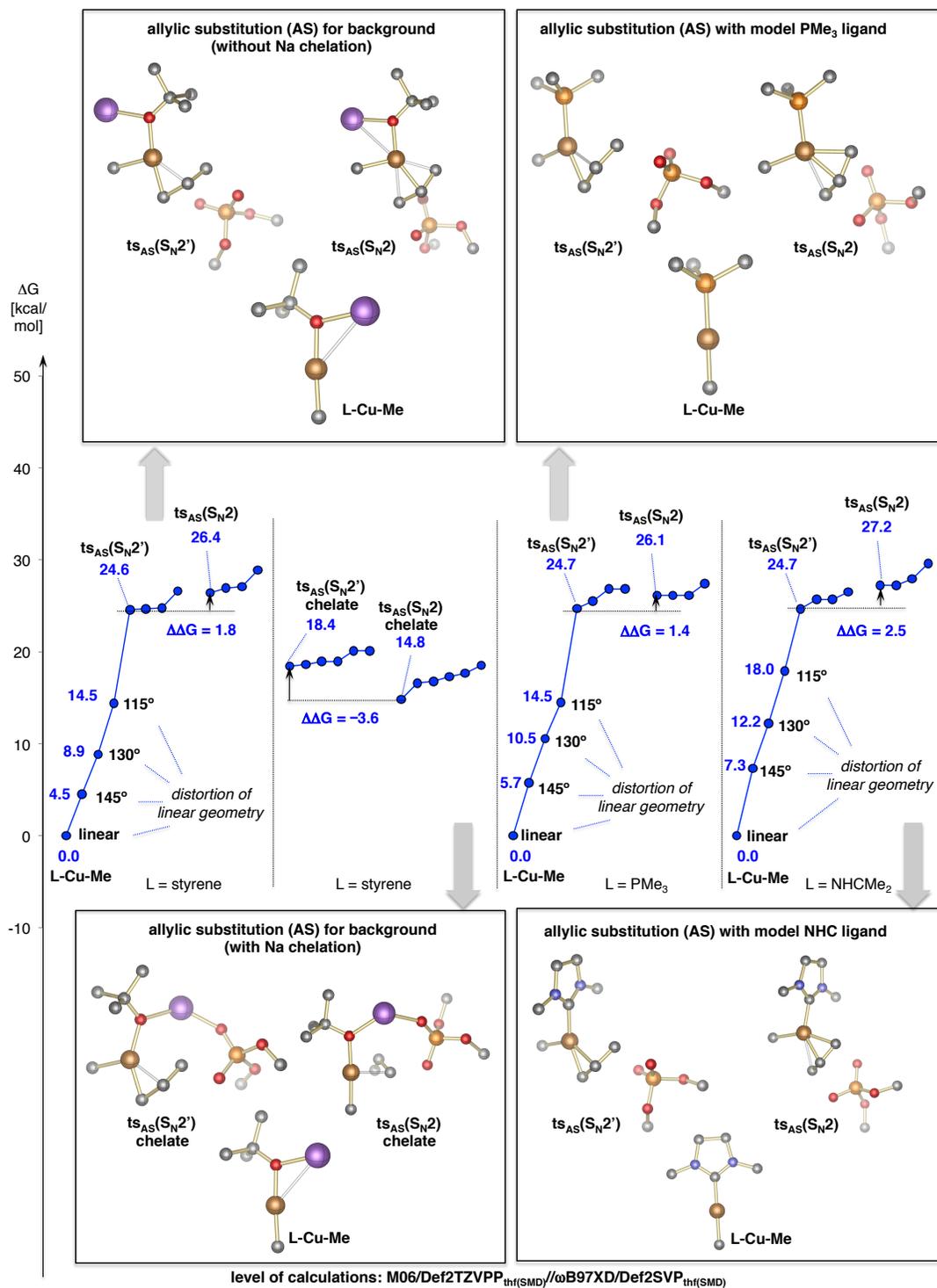


Figure 10.1. Free energy surfaces for $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$ - and $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ -type allylic substitution (AS) transition states with either a NaOt-Bu molecule, model phosphine ligand (PMe_3) or model NHC ligand (NHCMe_2) as the supporting ligand at the M06/DefTZVPP_{thf(SMD)}// ω B97XD/Def2SVP_{thf(SMD)} level. Several conformers are shown for $\text{ts}_{\text{AS}}(\text{S}_{\text{N}}2')$ and $\text{ts}_{\text{AS}}(\text{S}_{\text{N}}2)$. The free energies have been referenced to linear Cu-alkyl species (L-Cu-Me); the alkyl group has been approximated by methyl (Me); only computed structures for the most stable conformers are displayed.

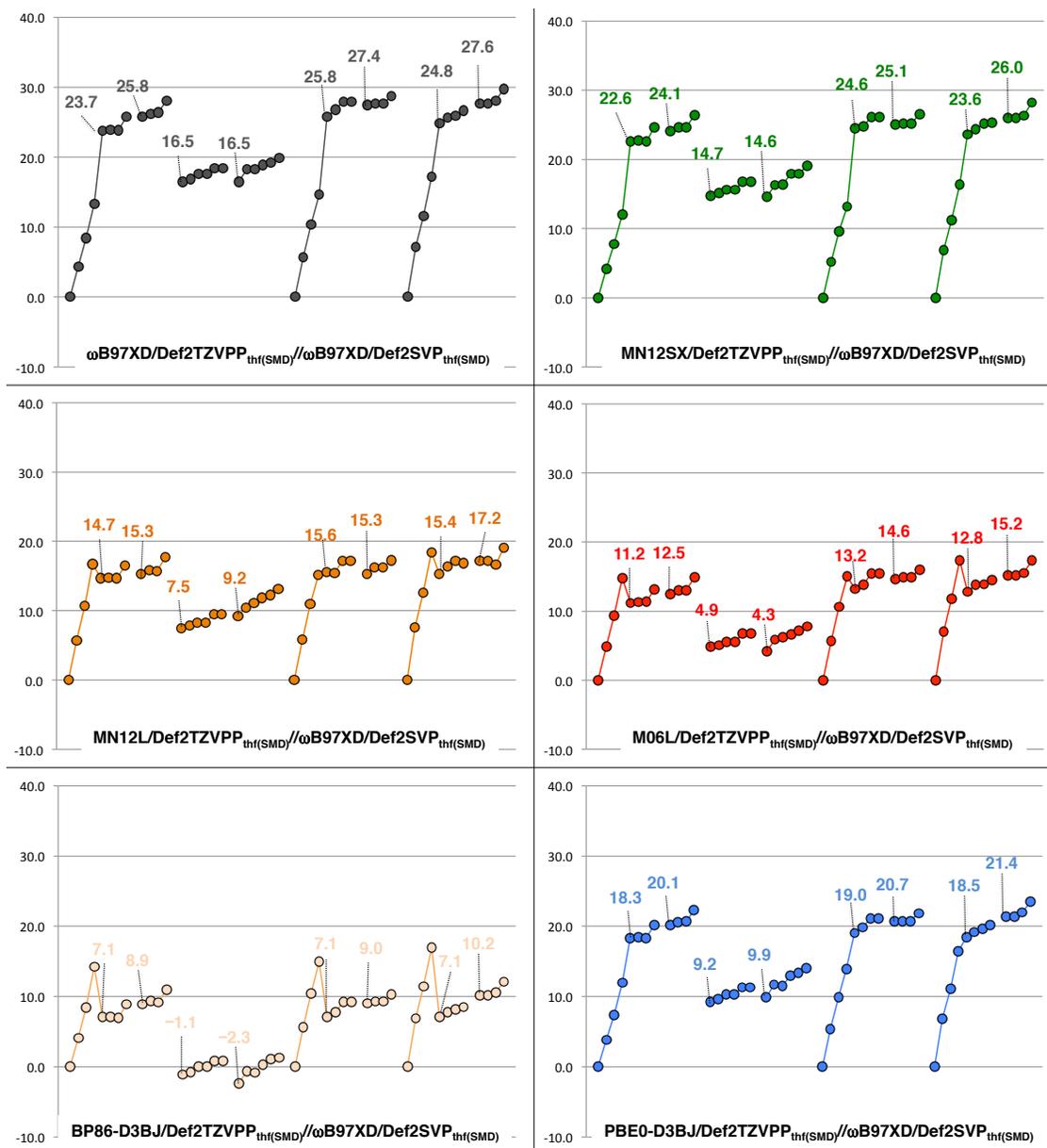
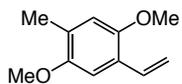
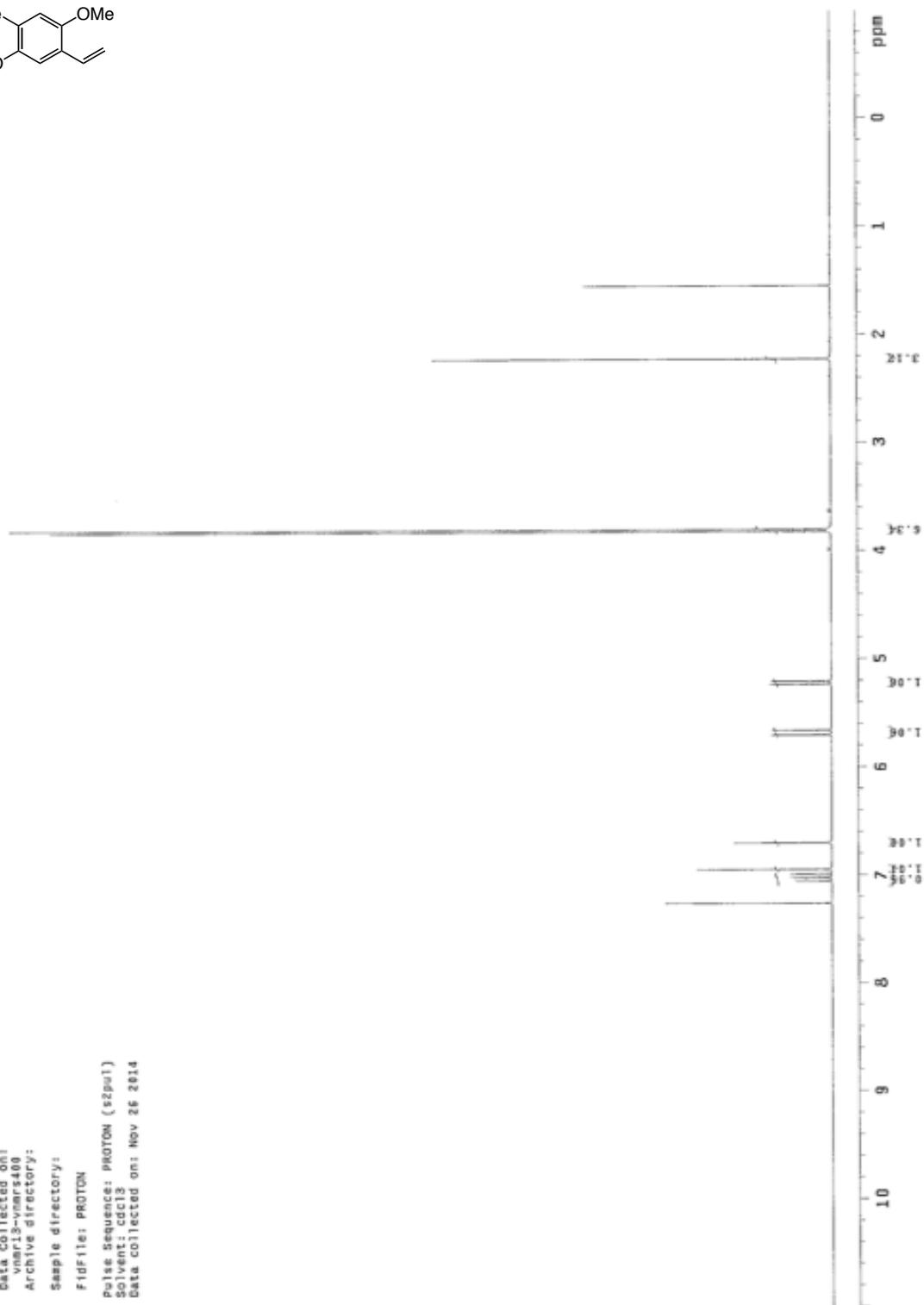


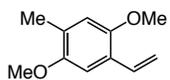
Figure 10.2. Free energy surfaces for S_N2' - and S_N2 -type allylic substitution (AS) transition states with either a NaOt-Bu molecule, model phosphine ligand (PMe_3) or model NHC ligand (NHCMe_2) as the supporting ligand with various density functionals after optimization with $\omega\text{B97XD/Def2SVP}_{\text{th(SMD)}}$. For details, see Figure 10.1.

1.5.15 NMR Spectra



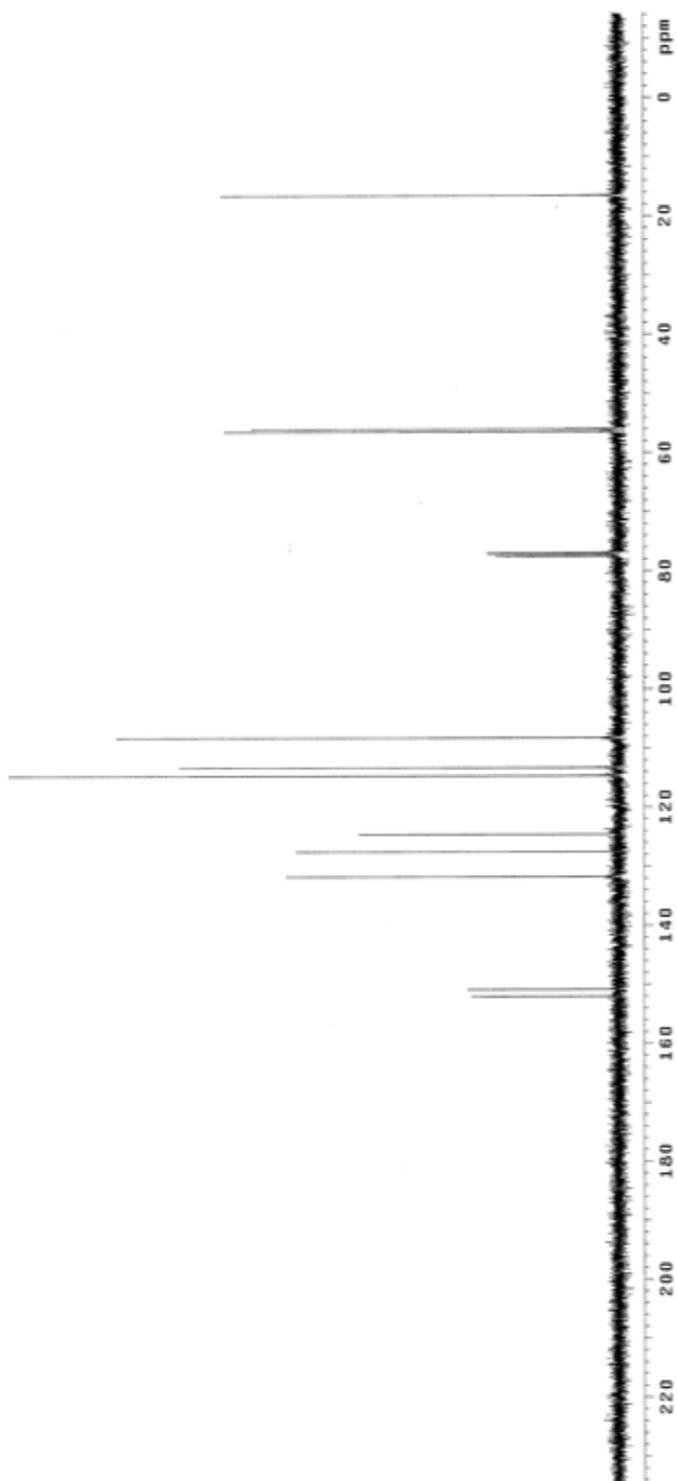
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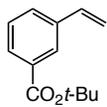




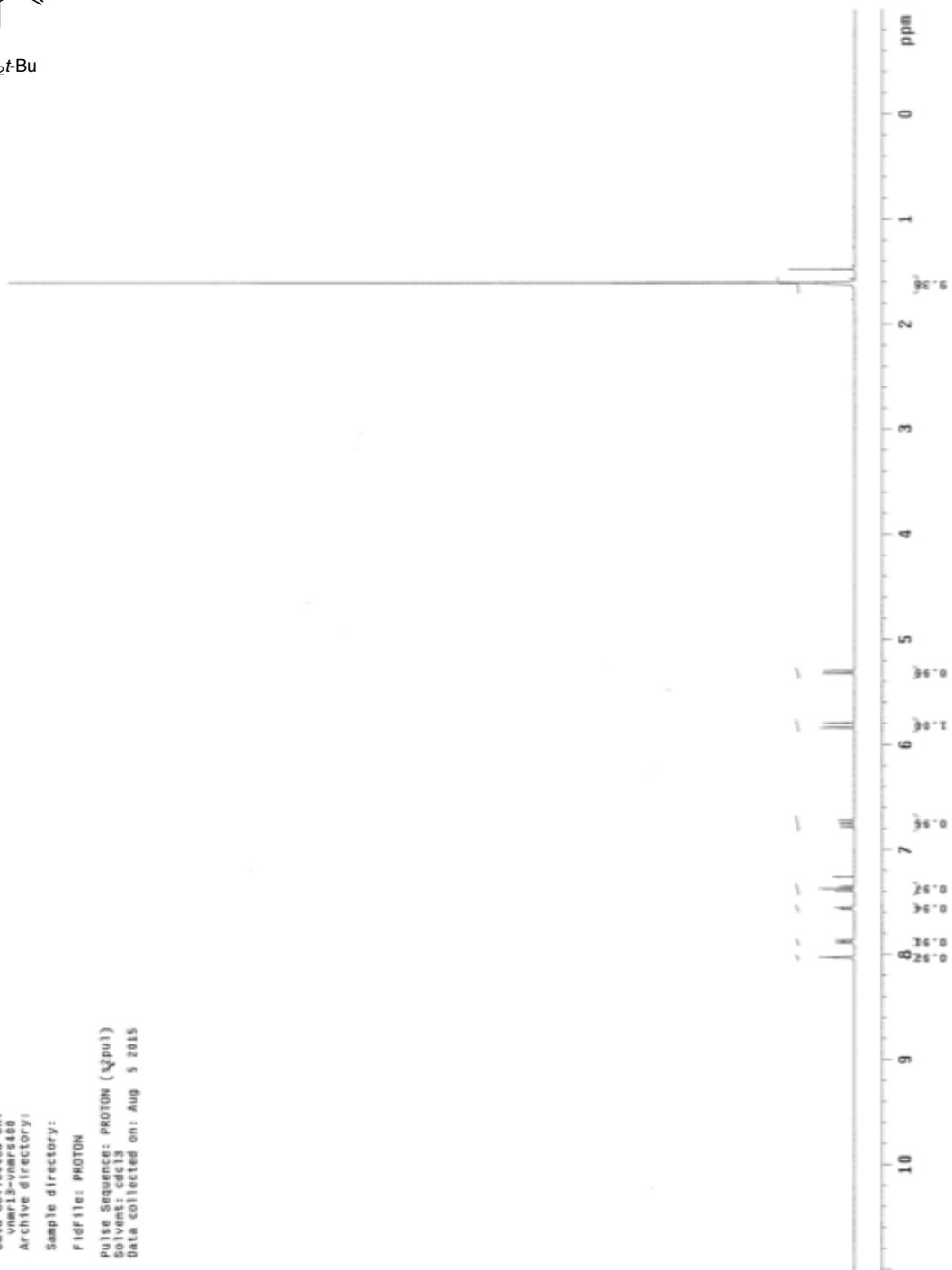
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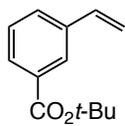
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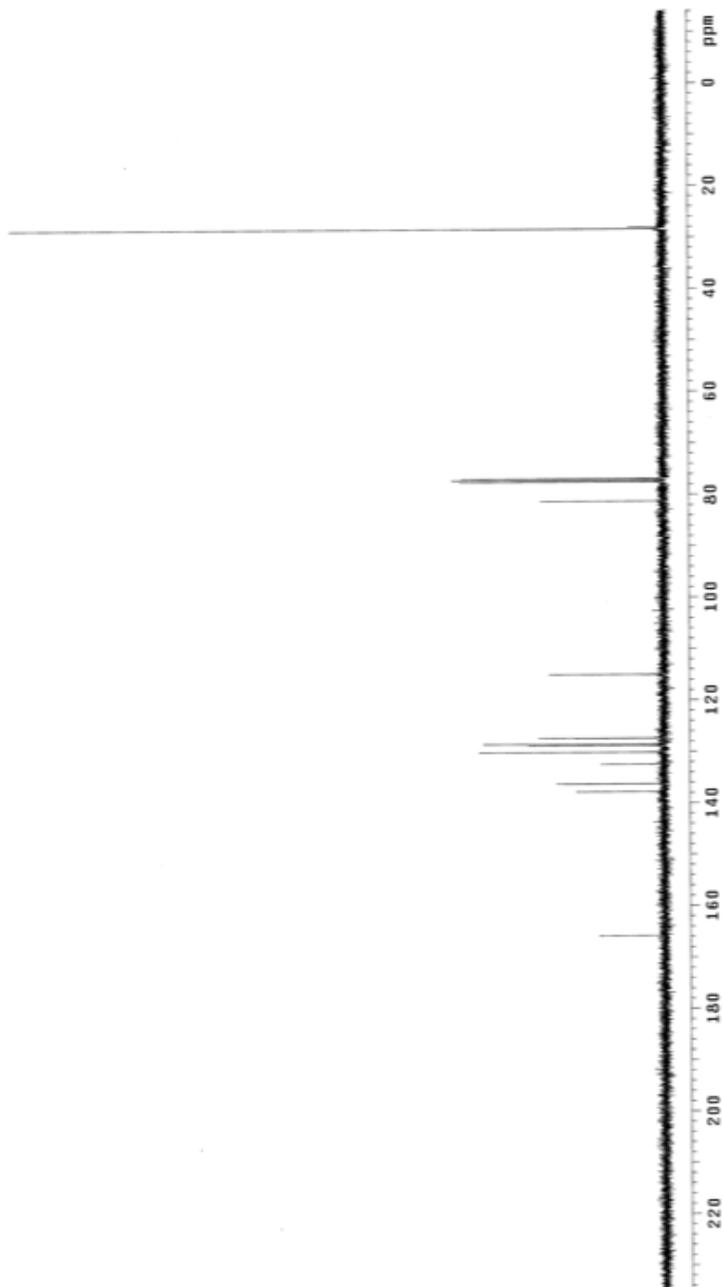


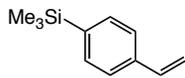
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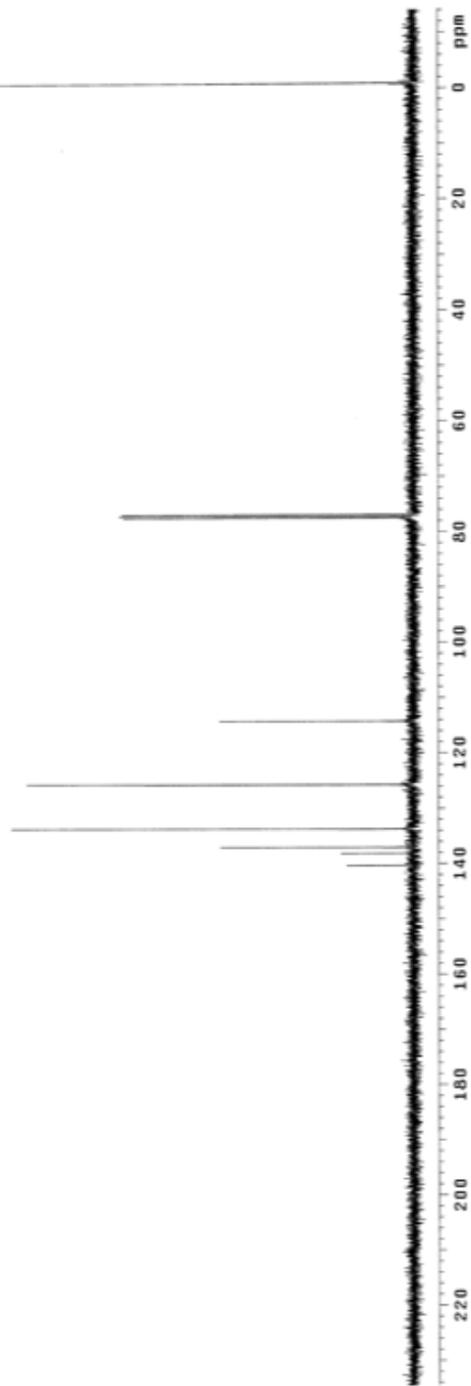


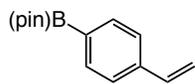
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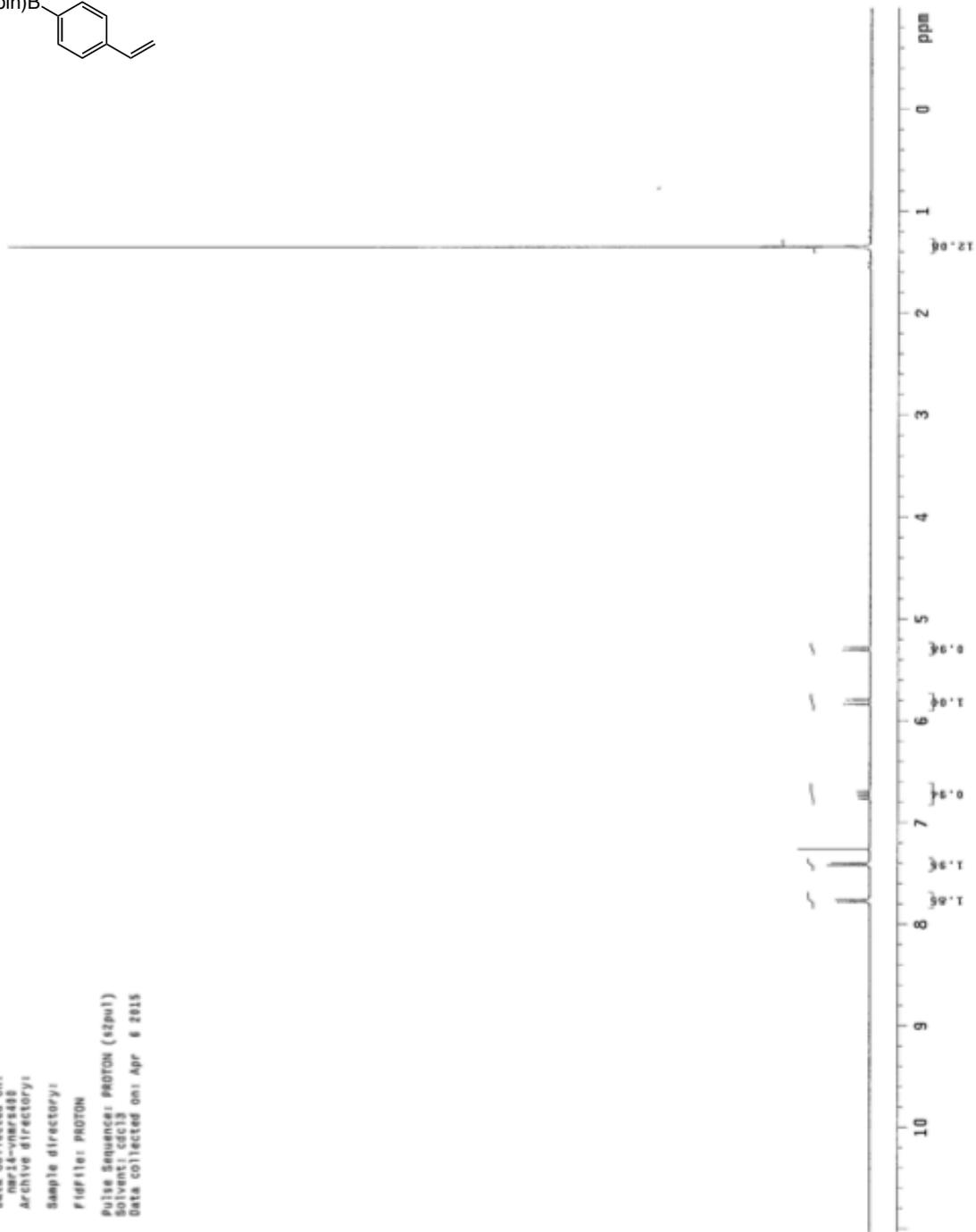


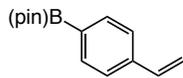
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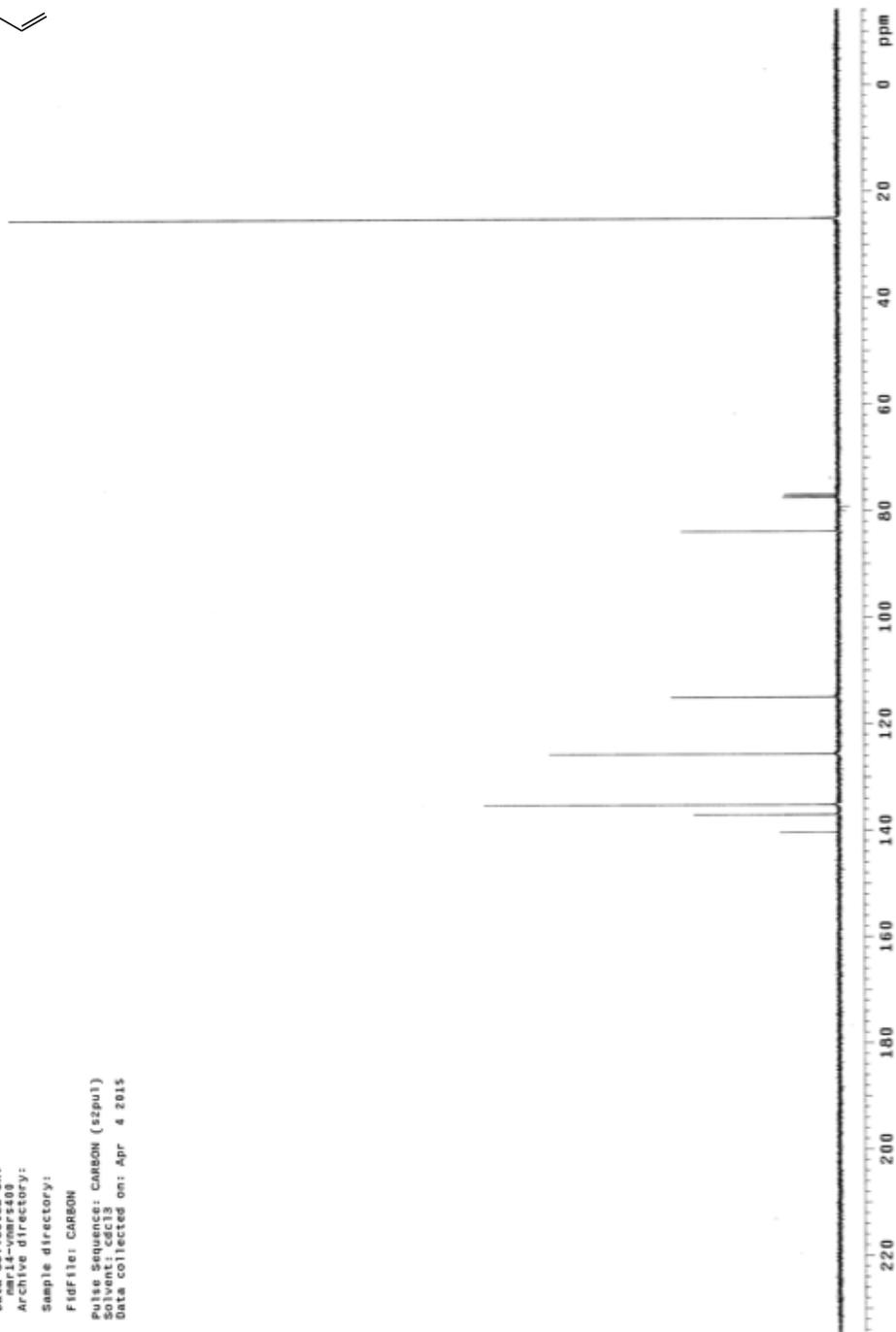


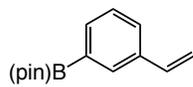
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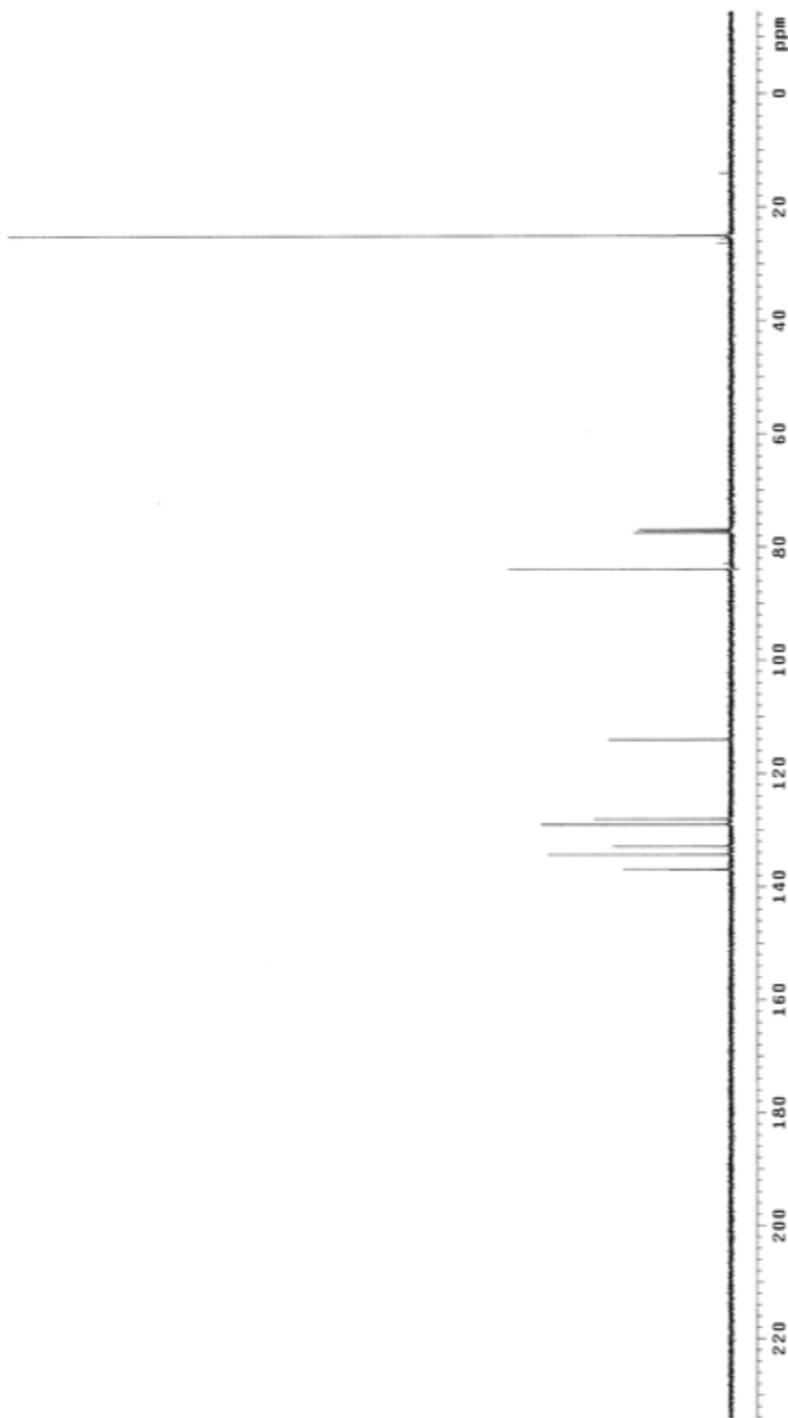


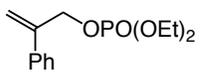
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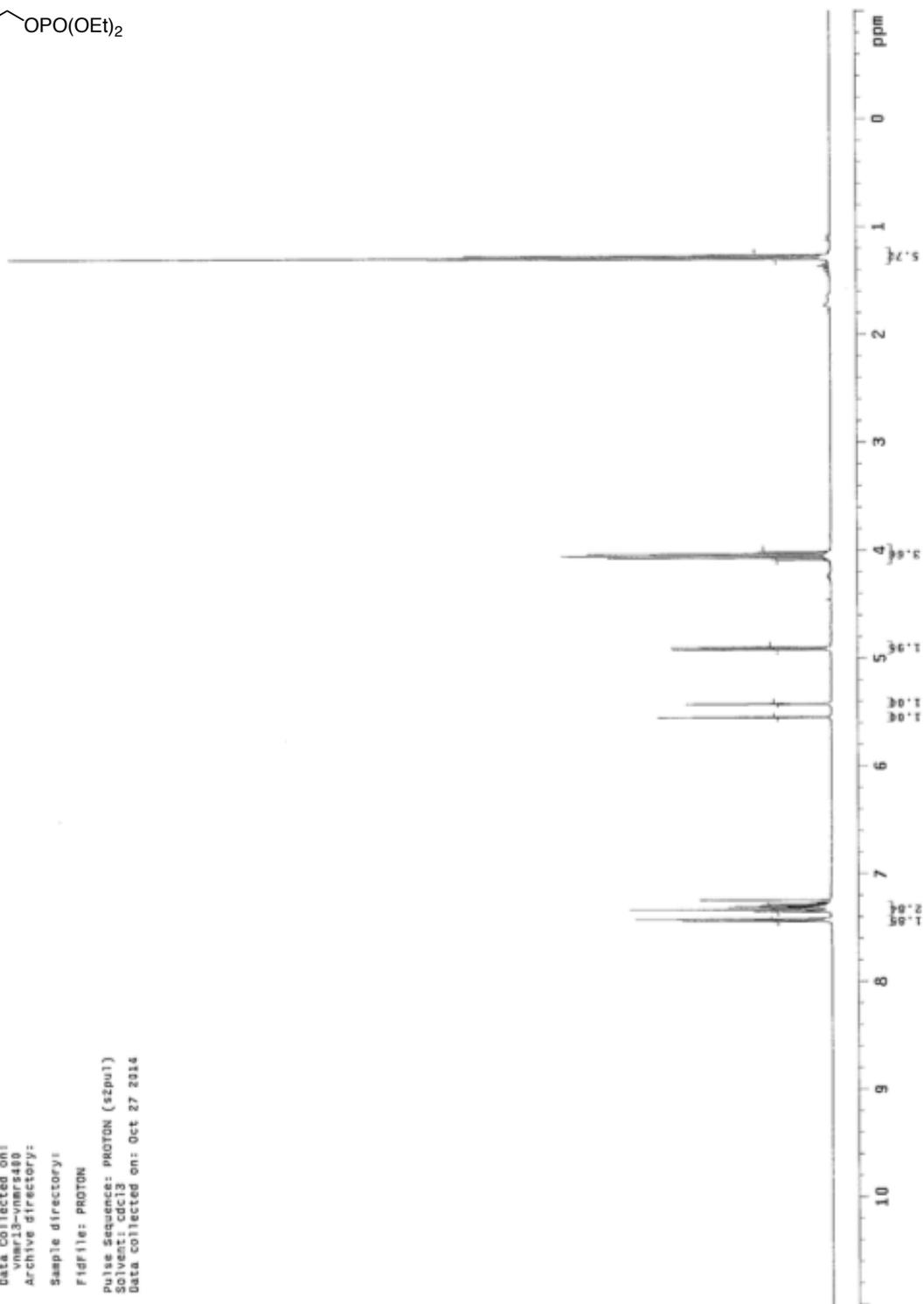


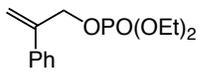
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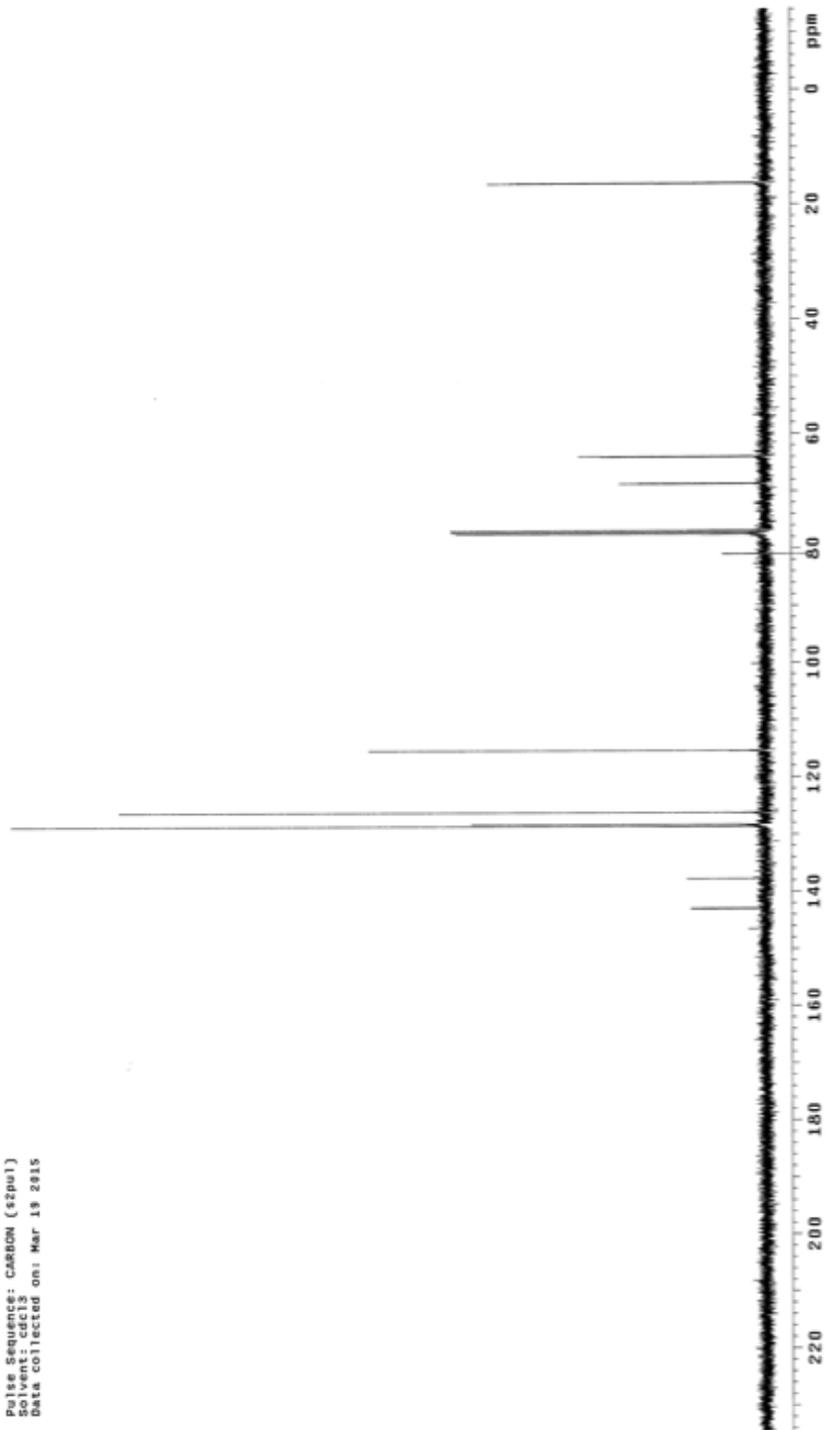


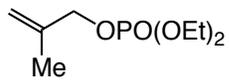
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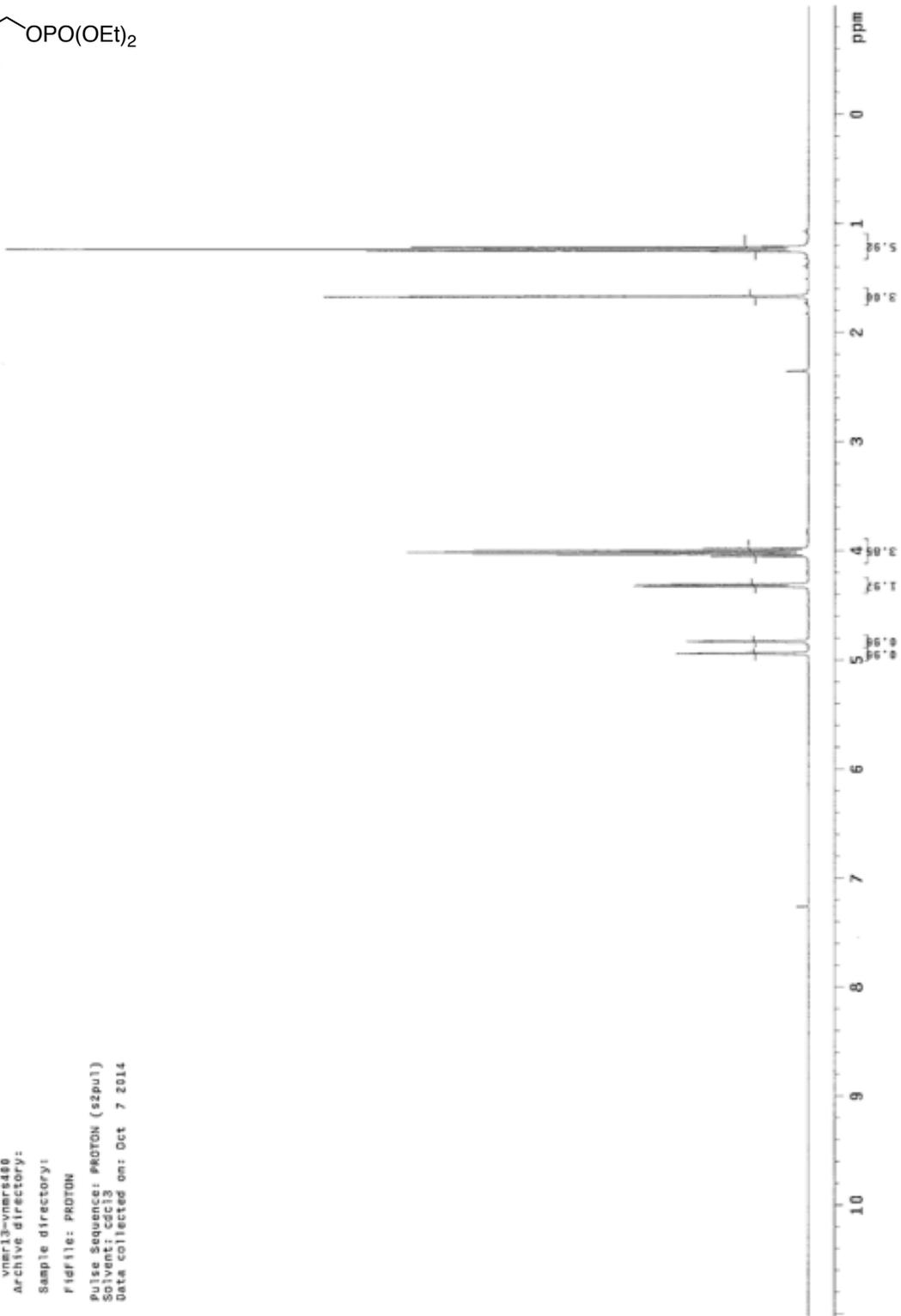


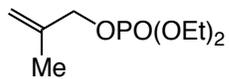
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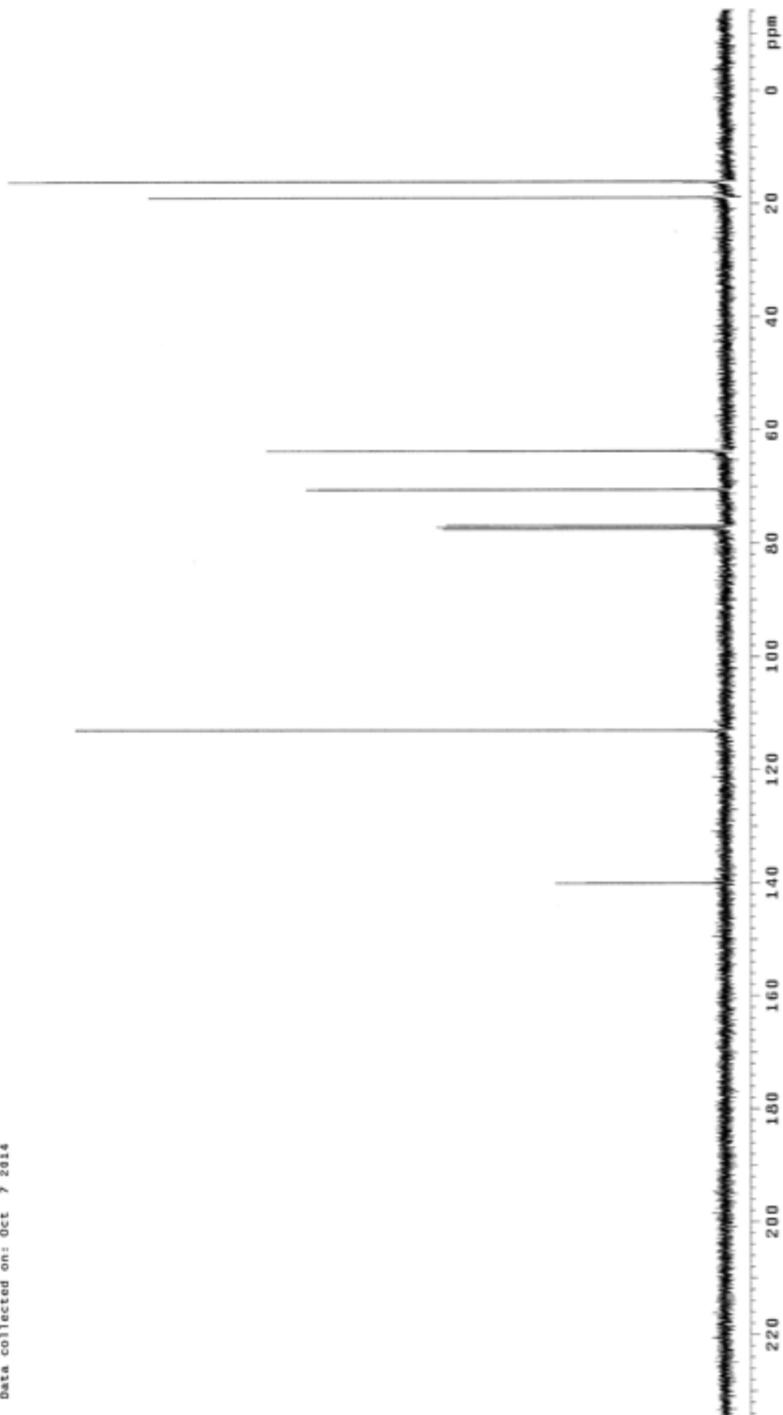


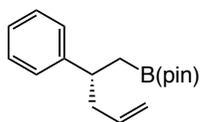
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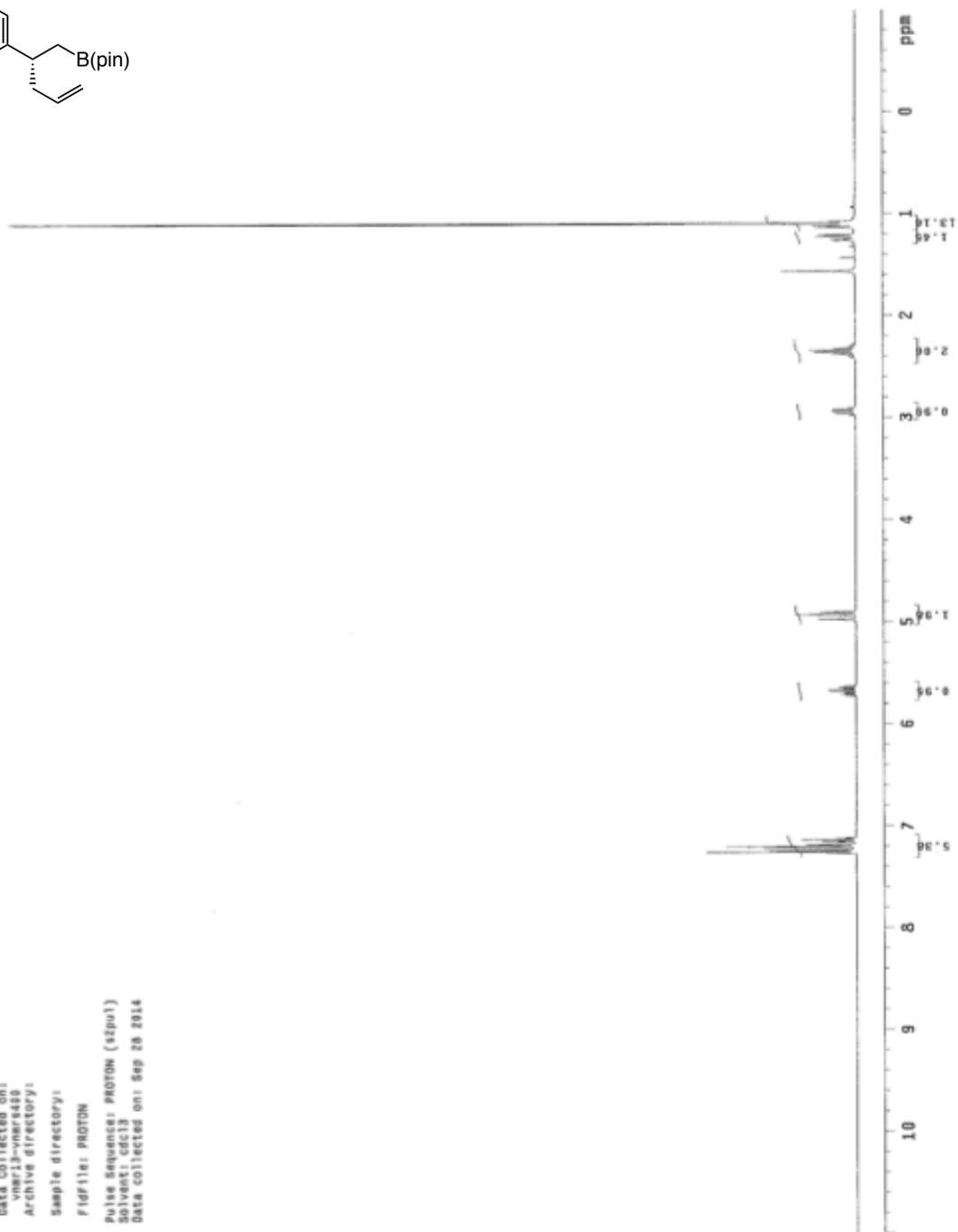


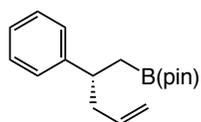
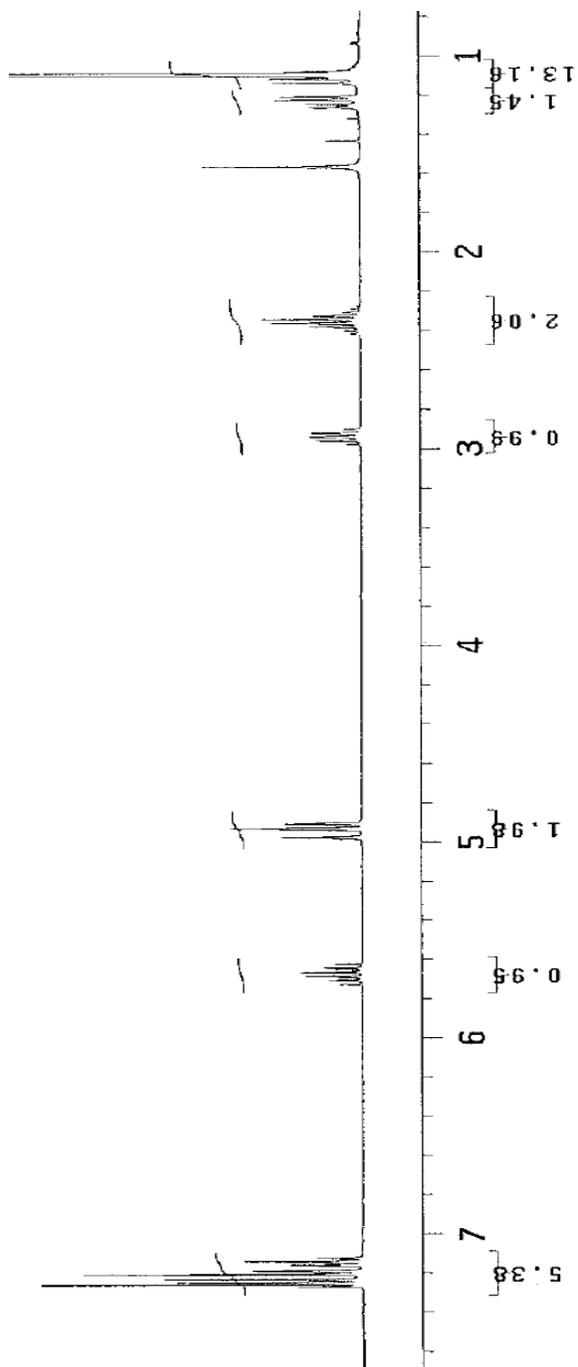
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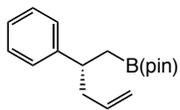




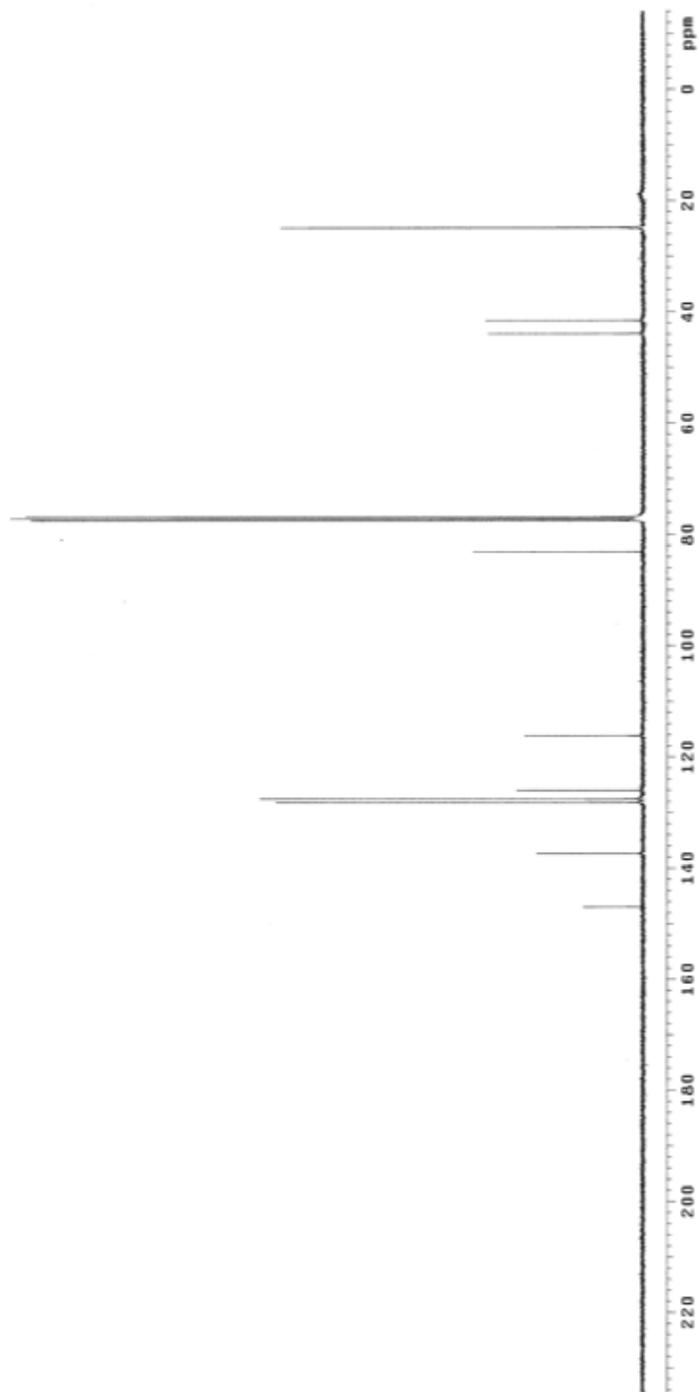
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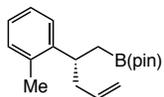




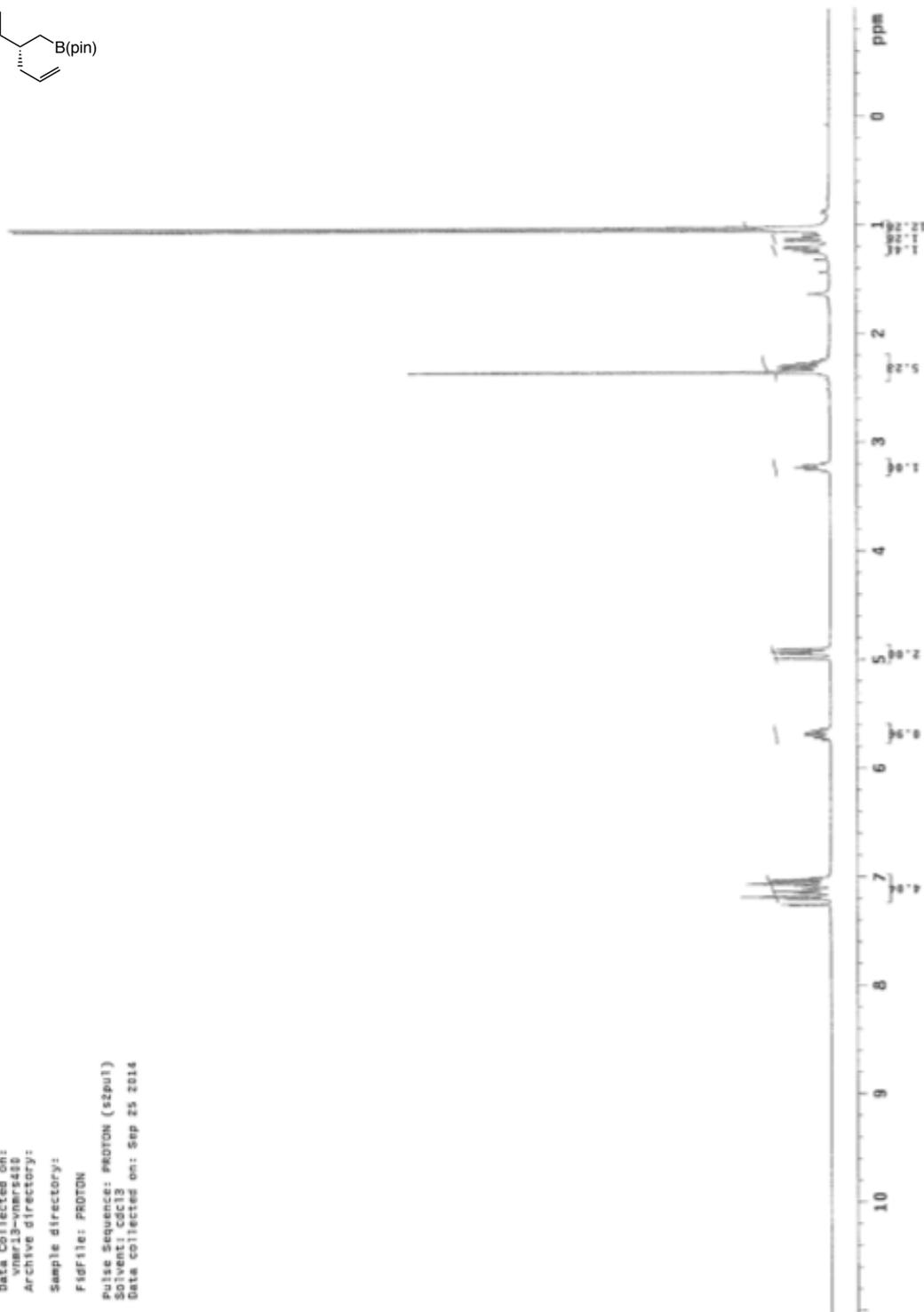


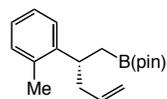
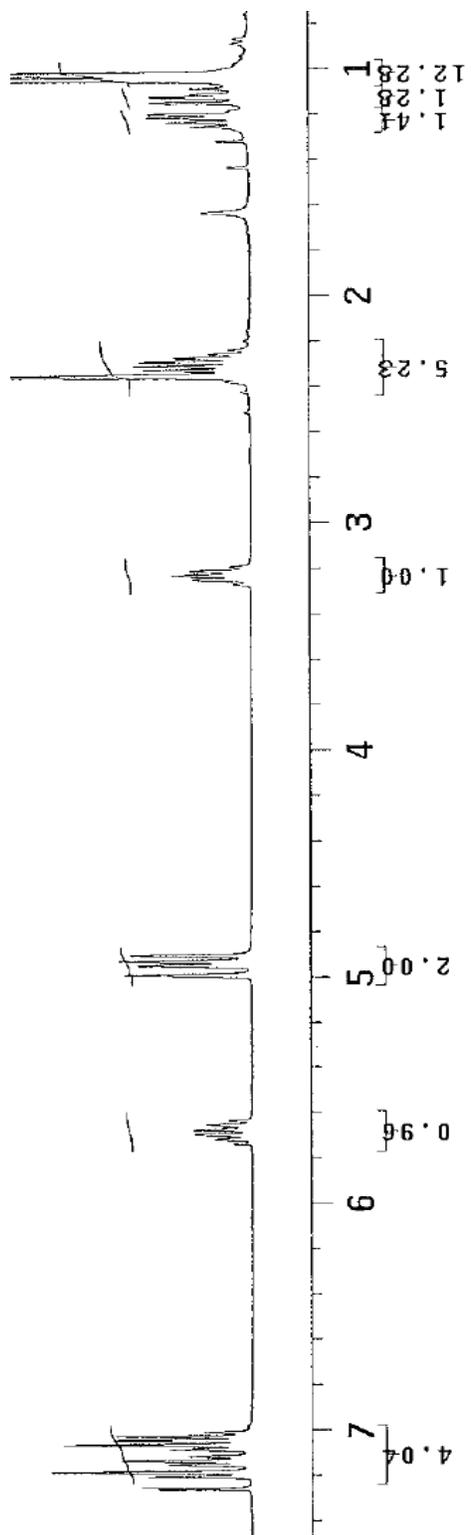
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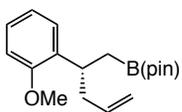




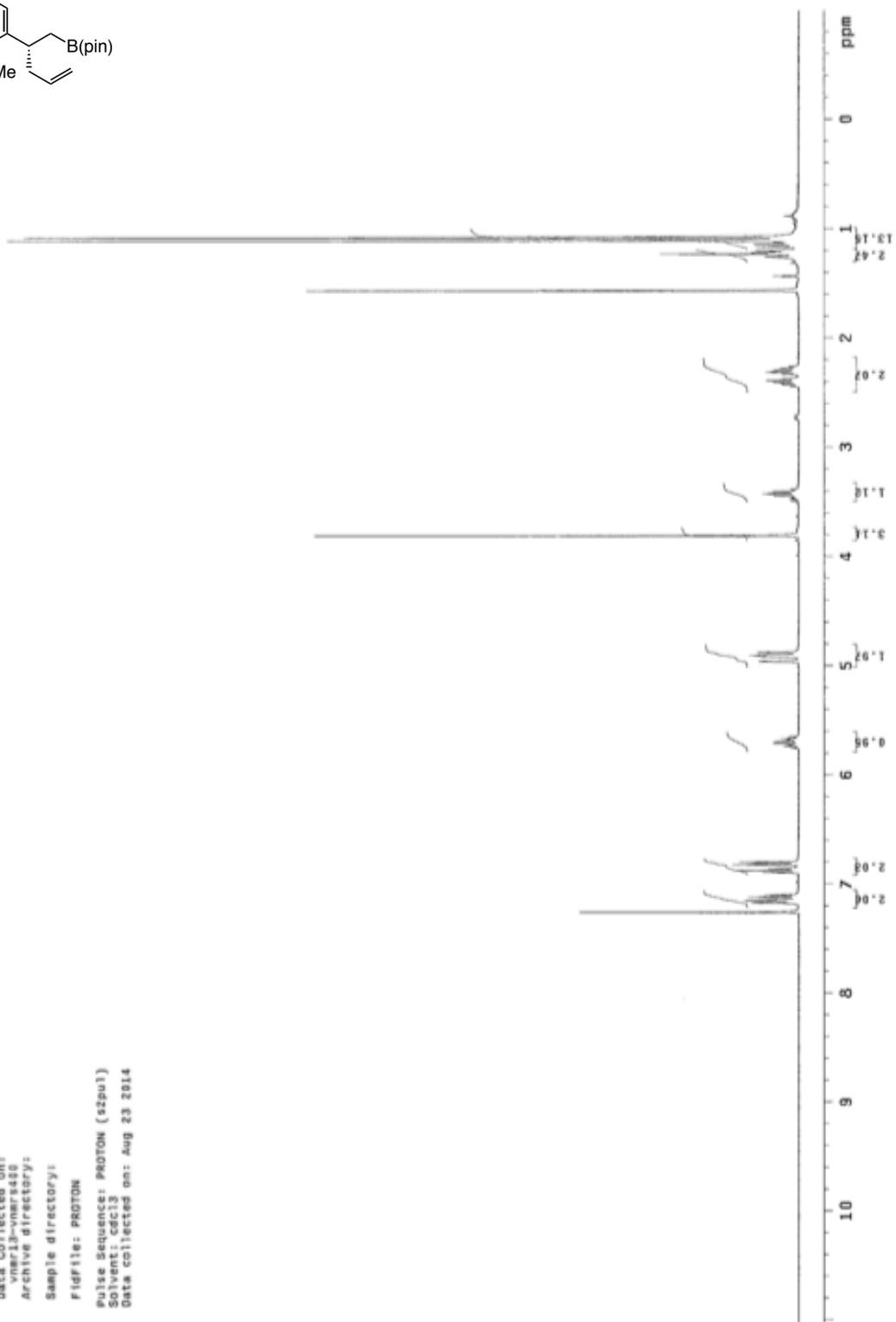
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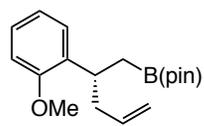
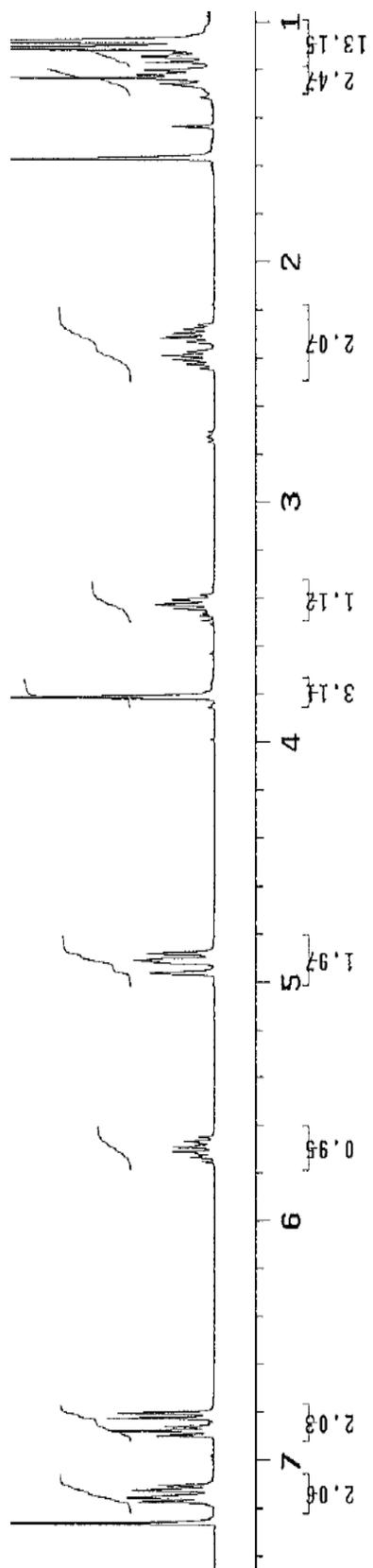


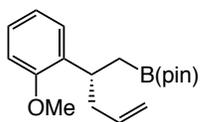




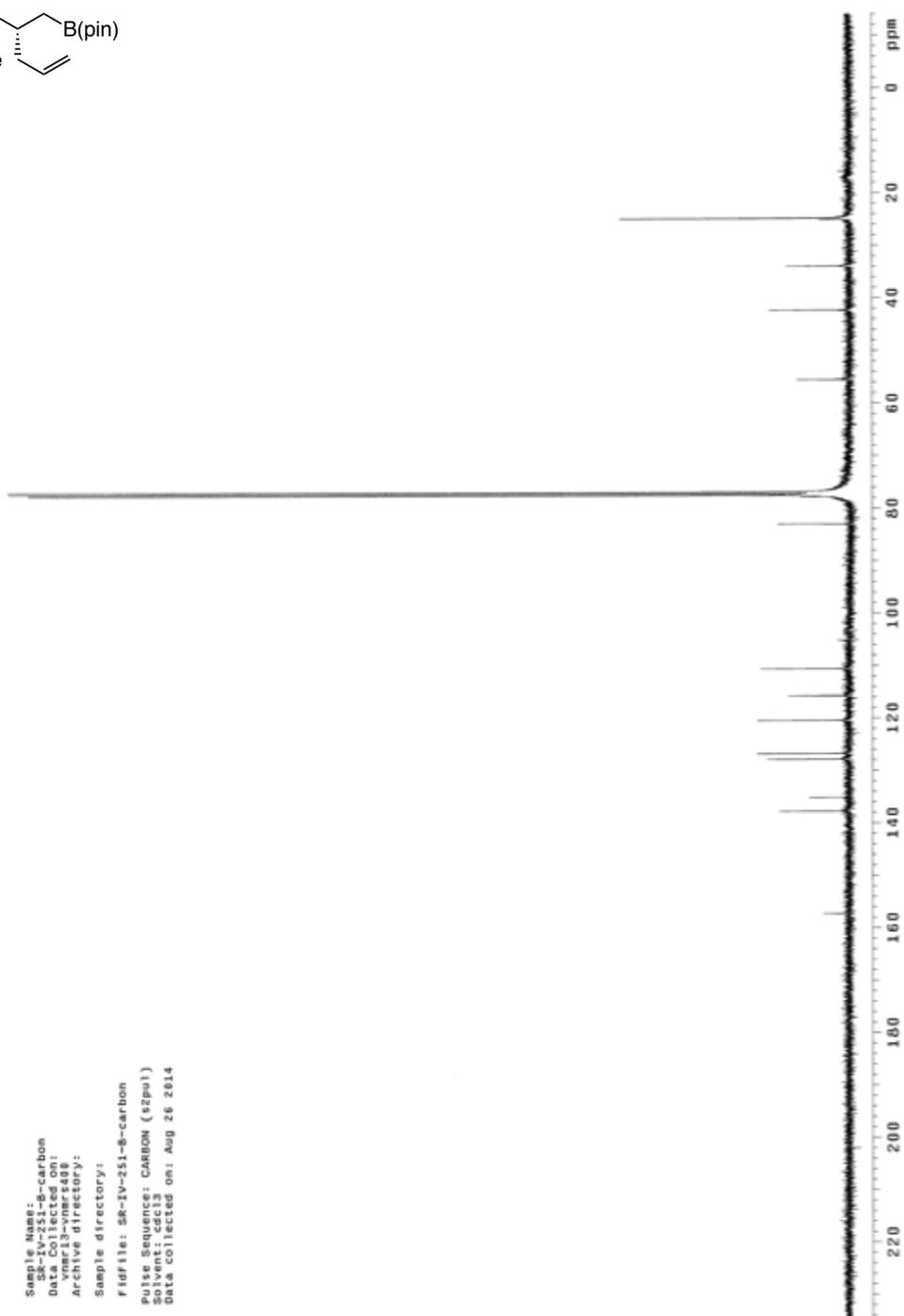
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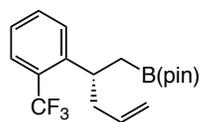
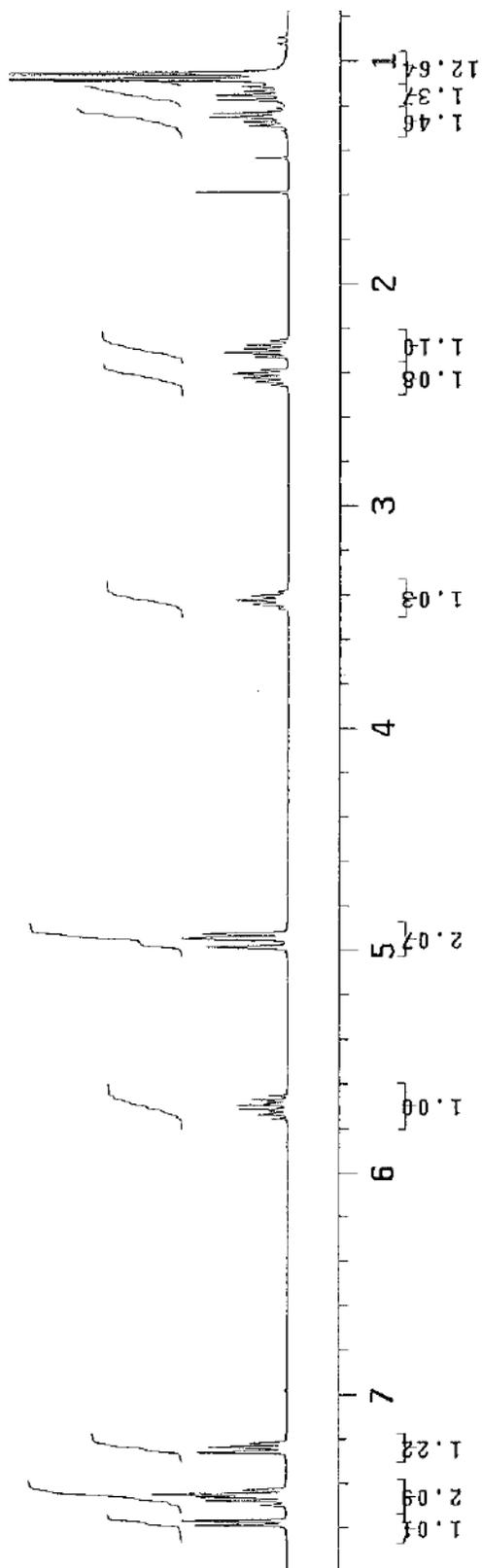


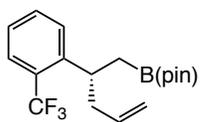




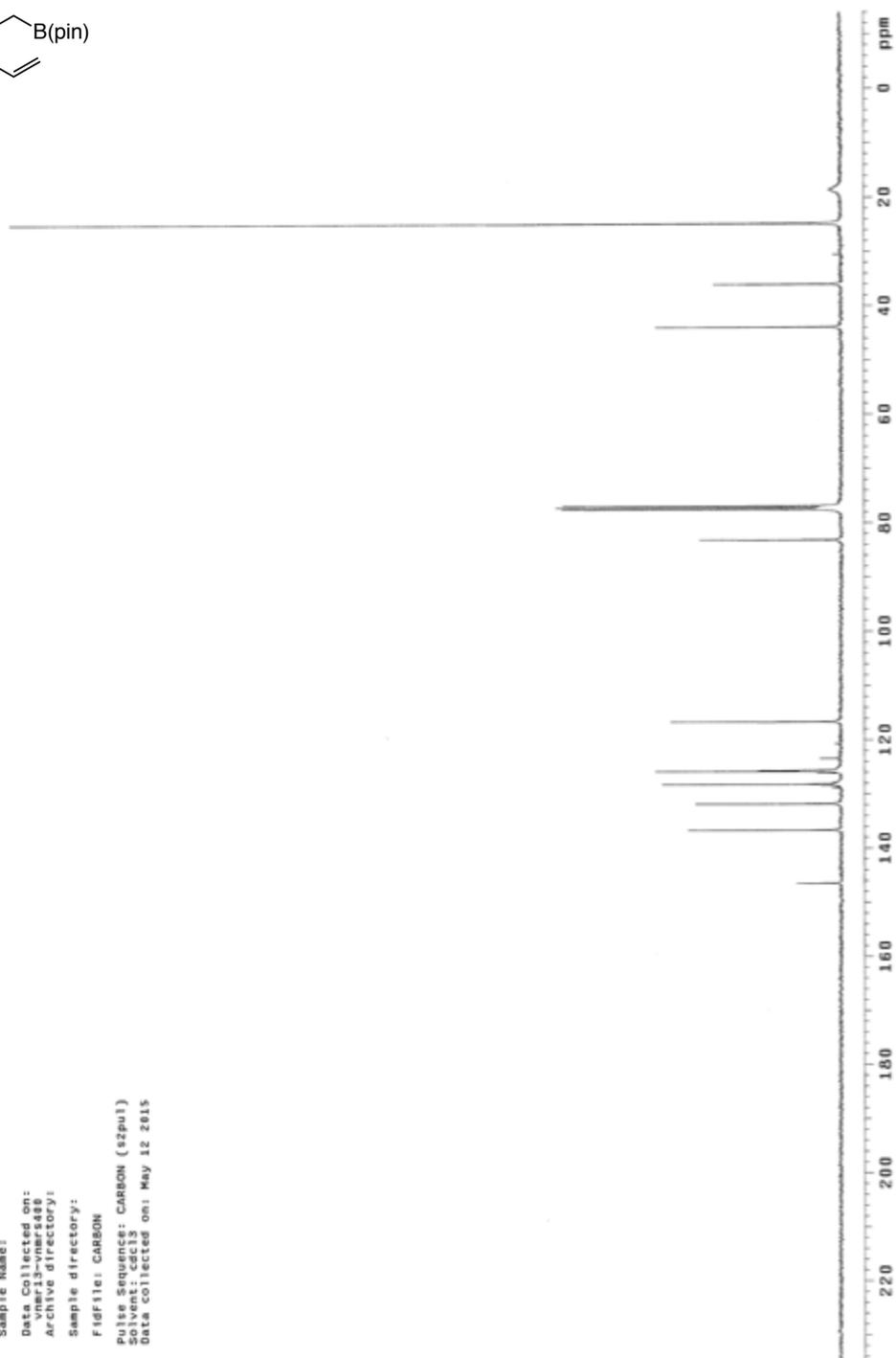
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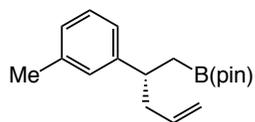




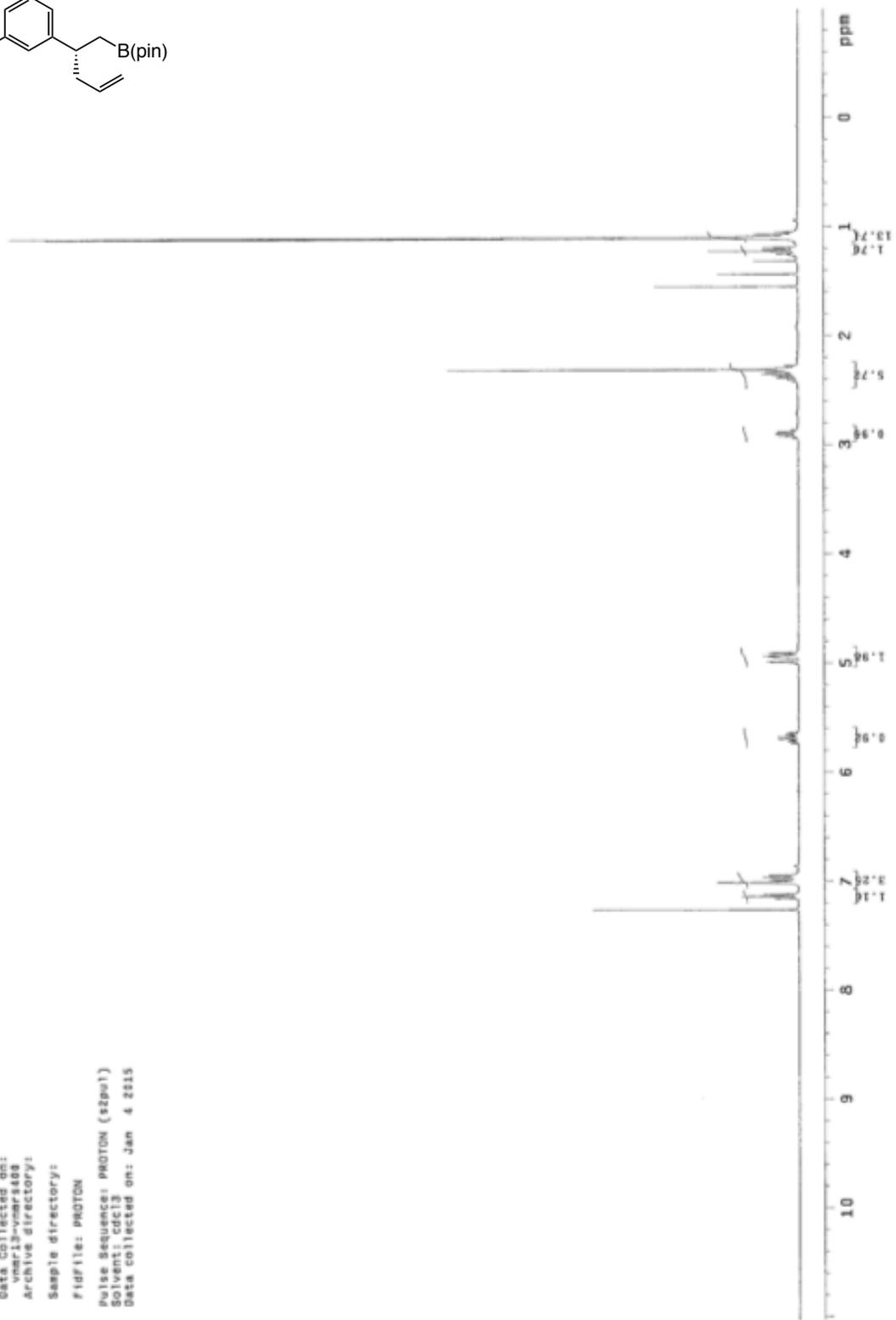


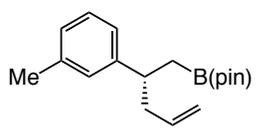
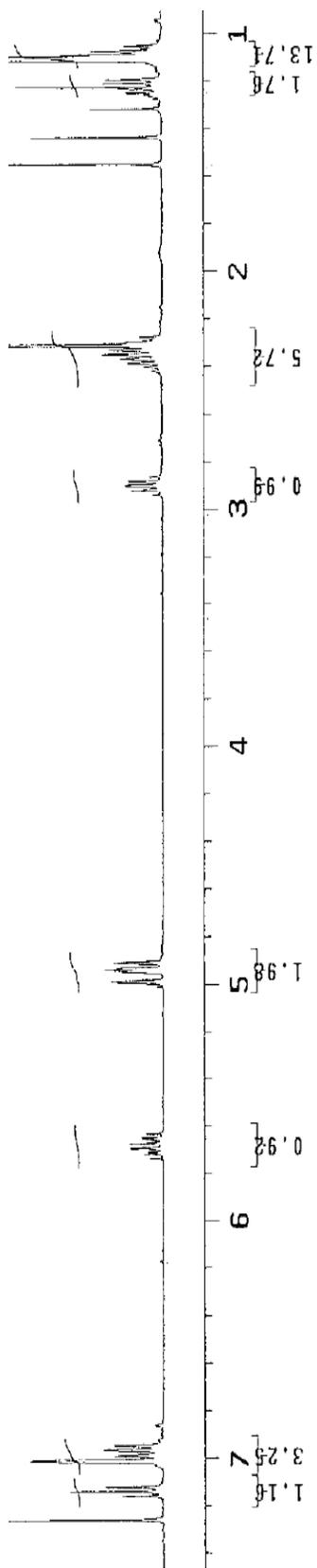
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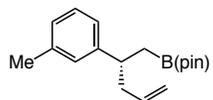




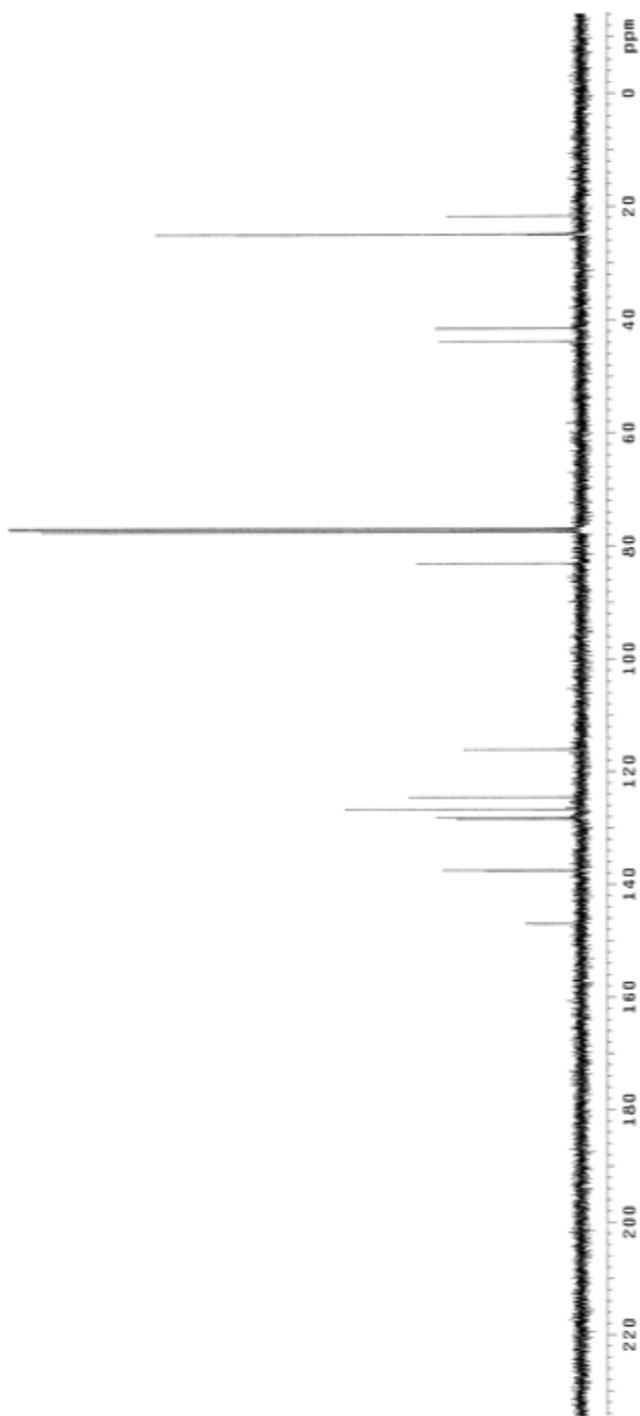
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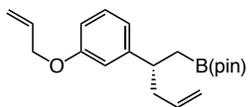




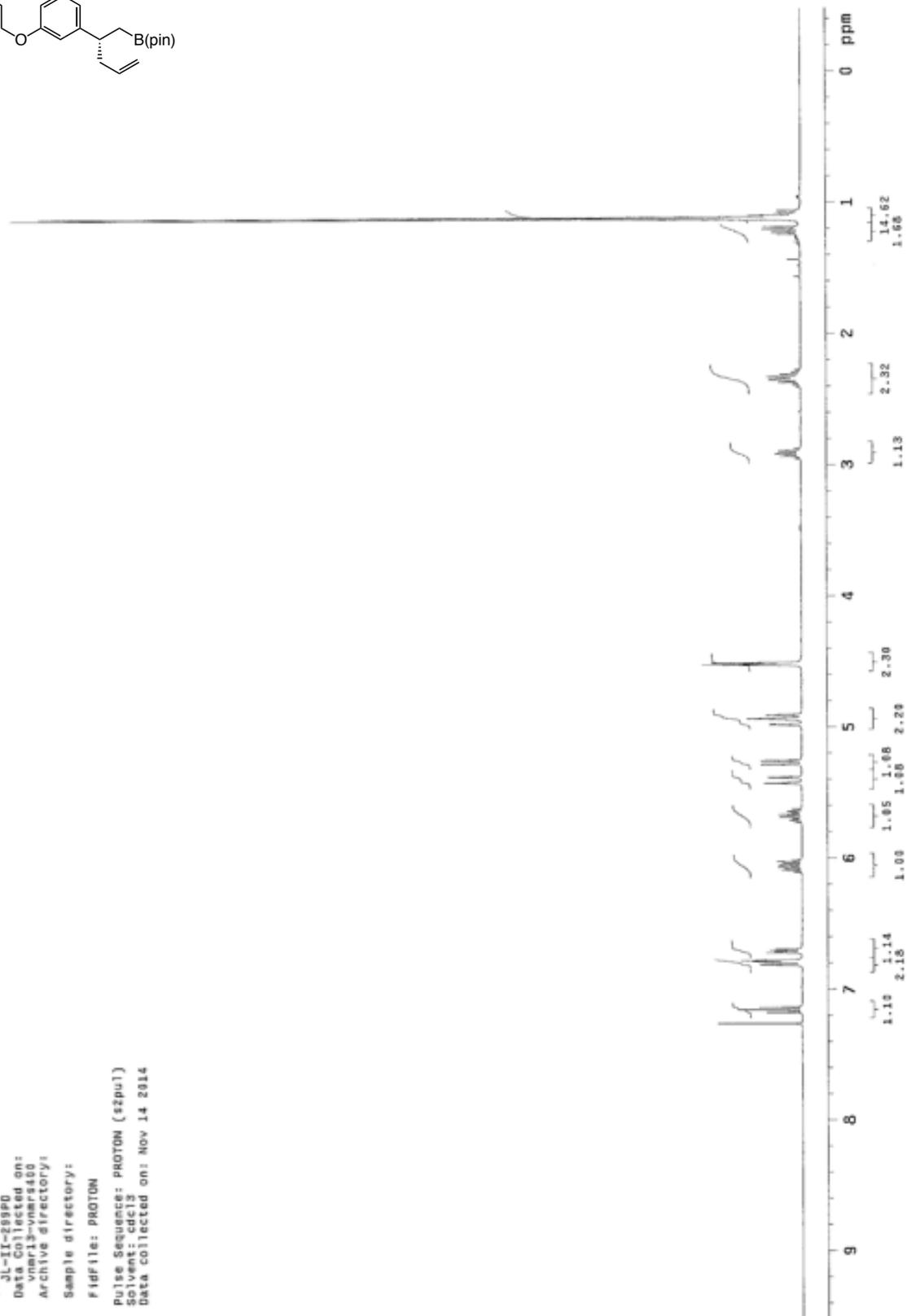


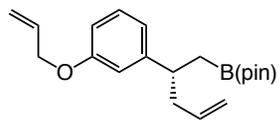
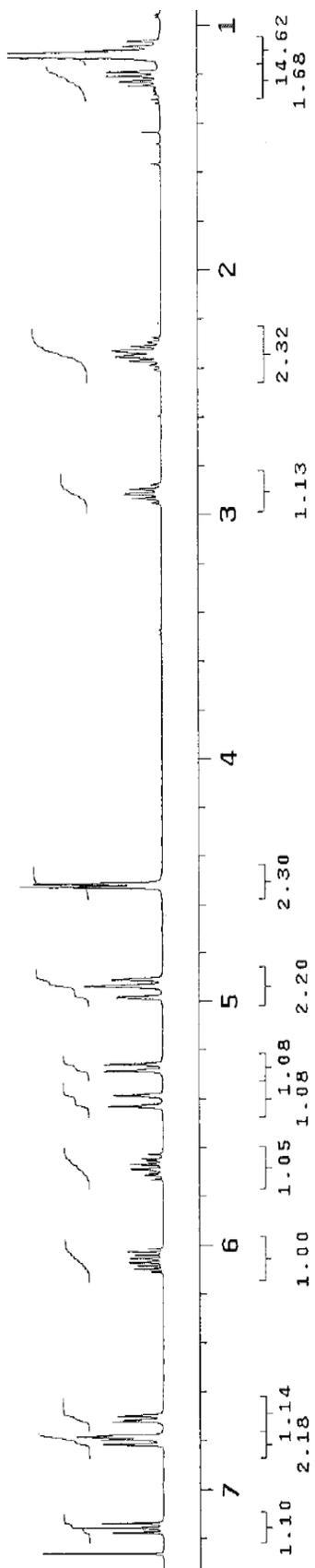
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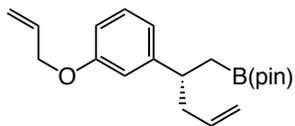




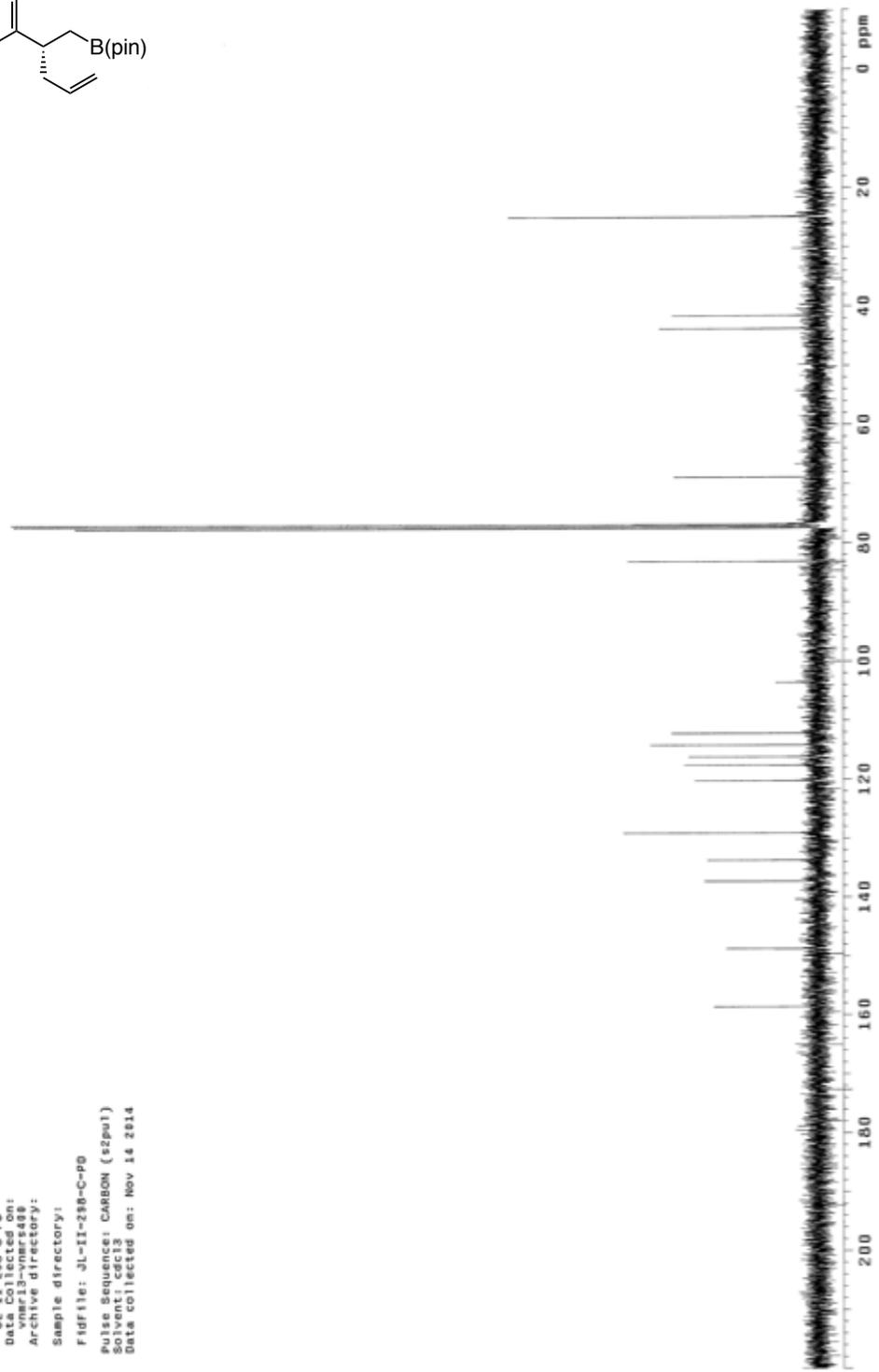
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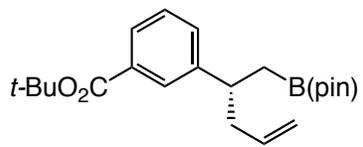




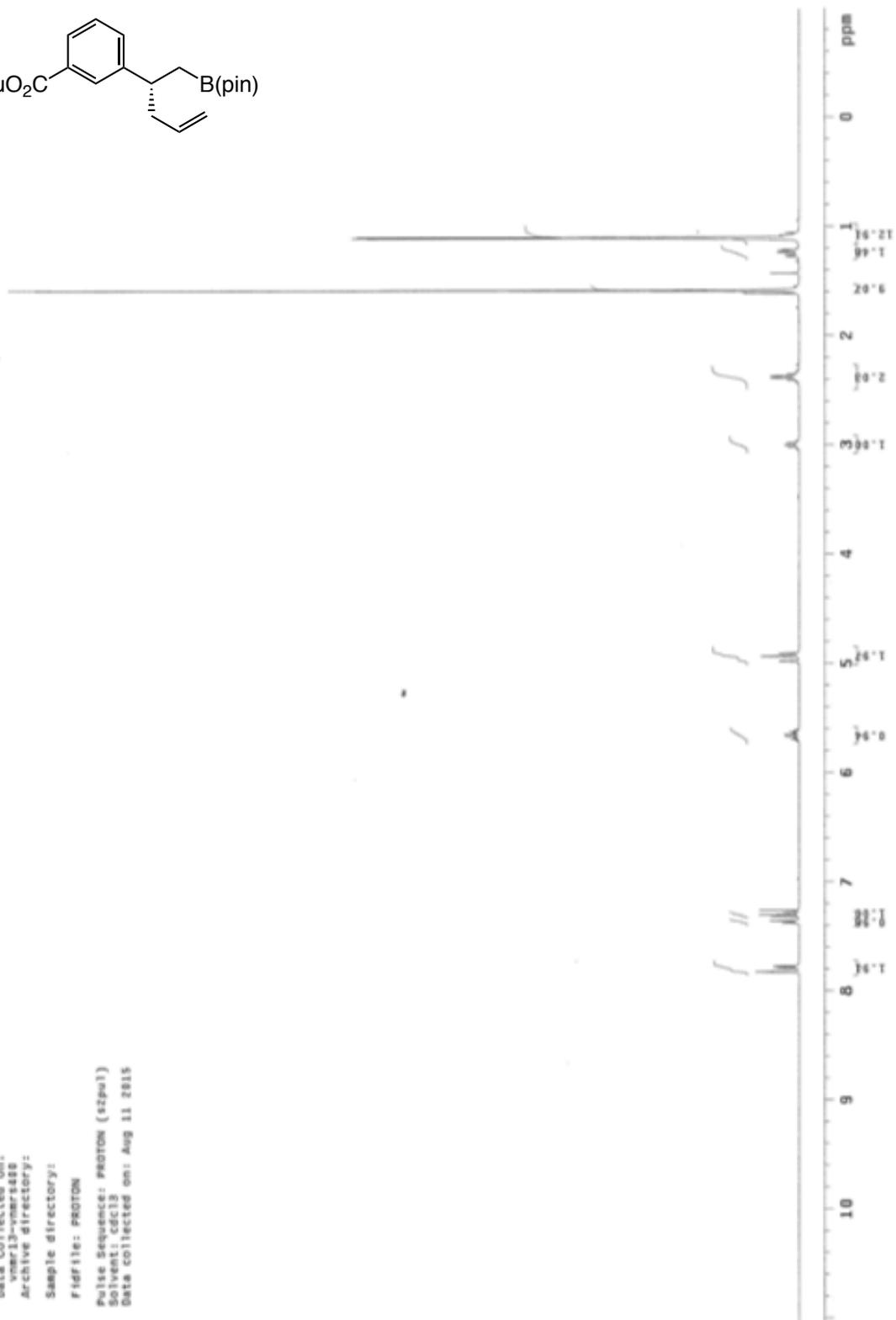


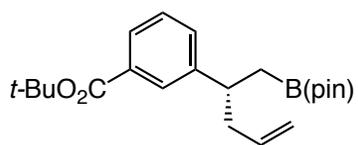
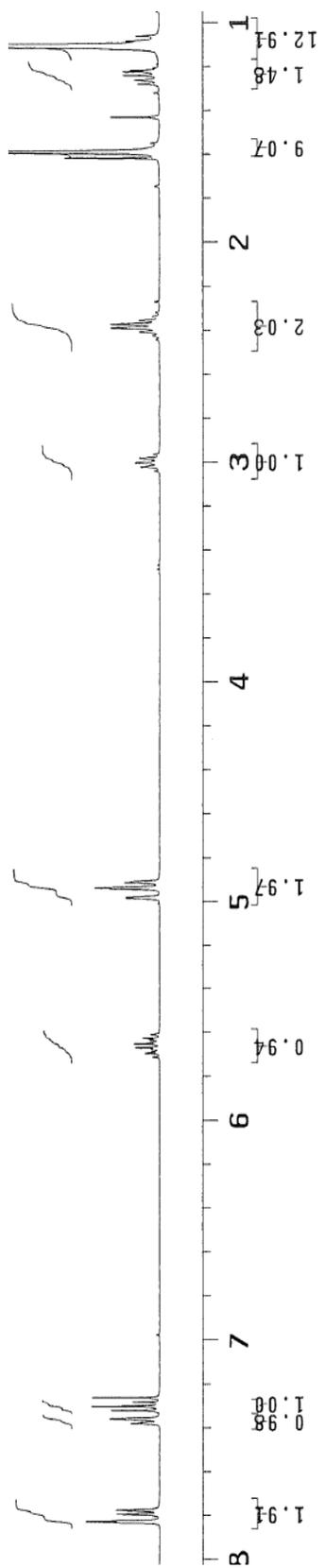
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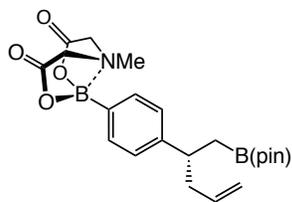




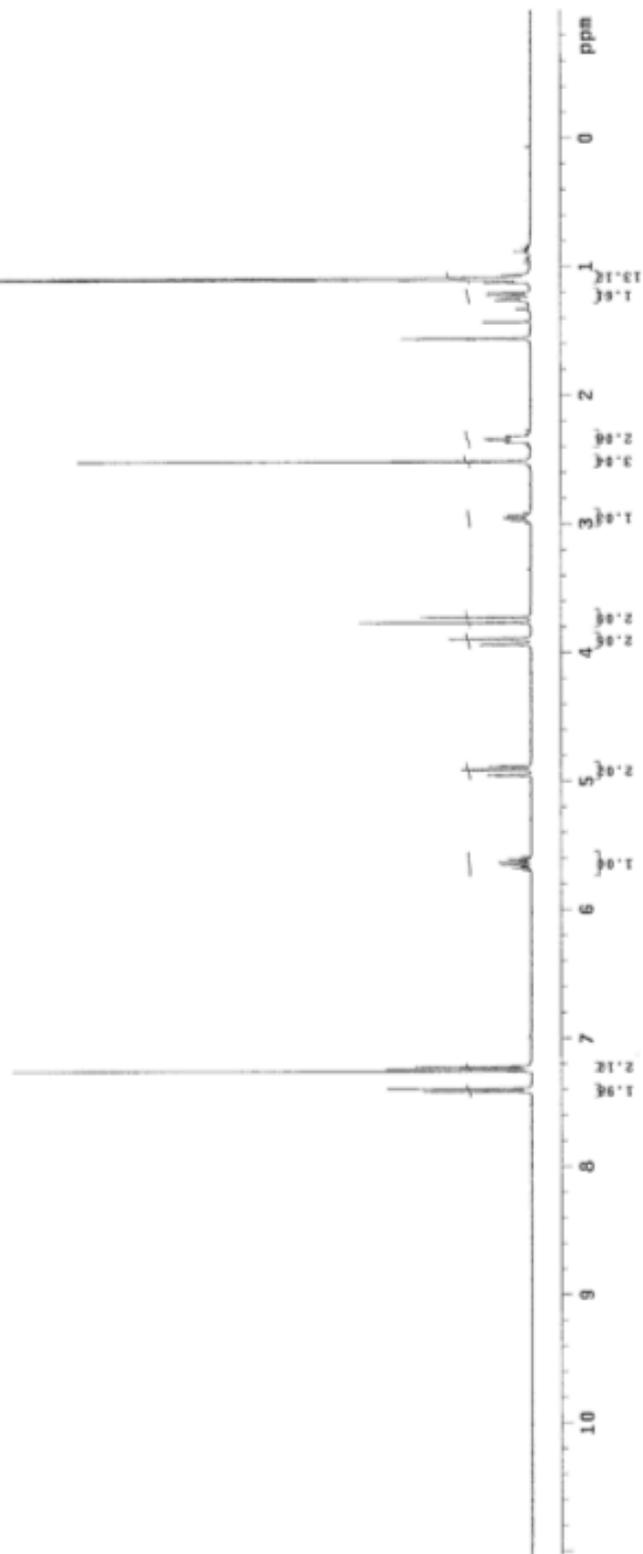
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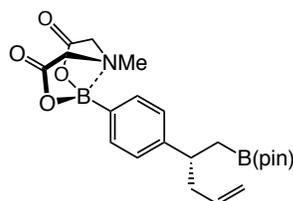
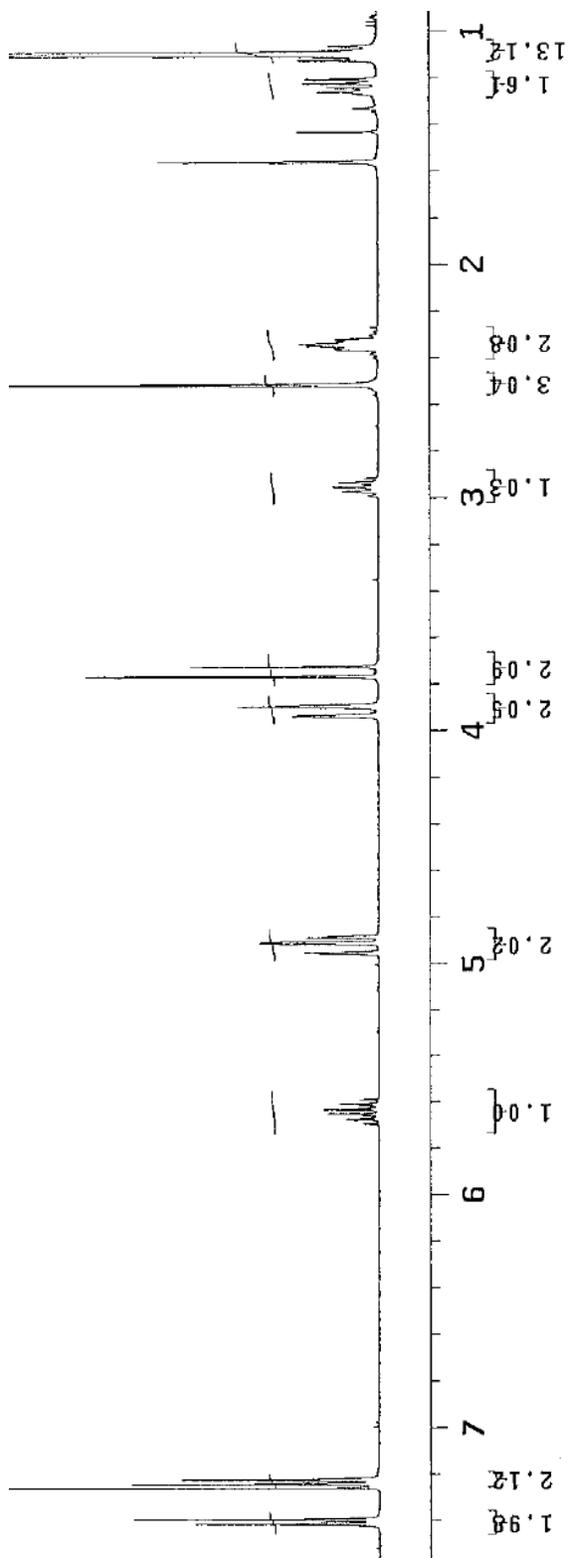


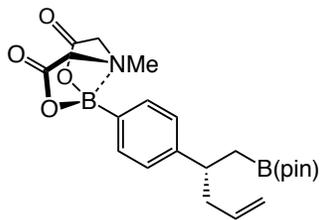




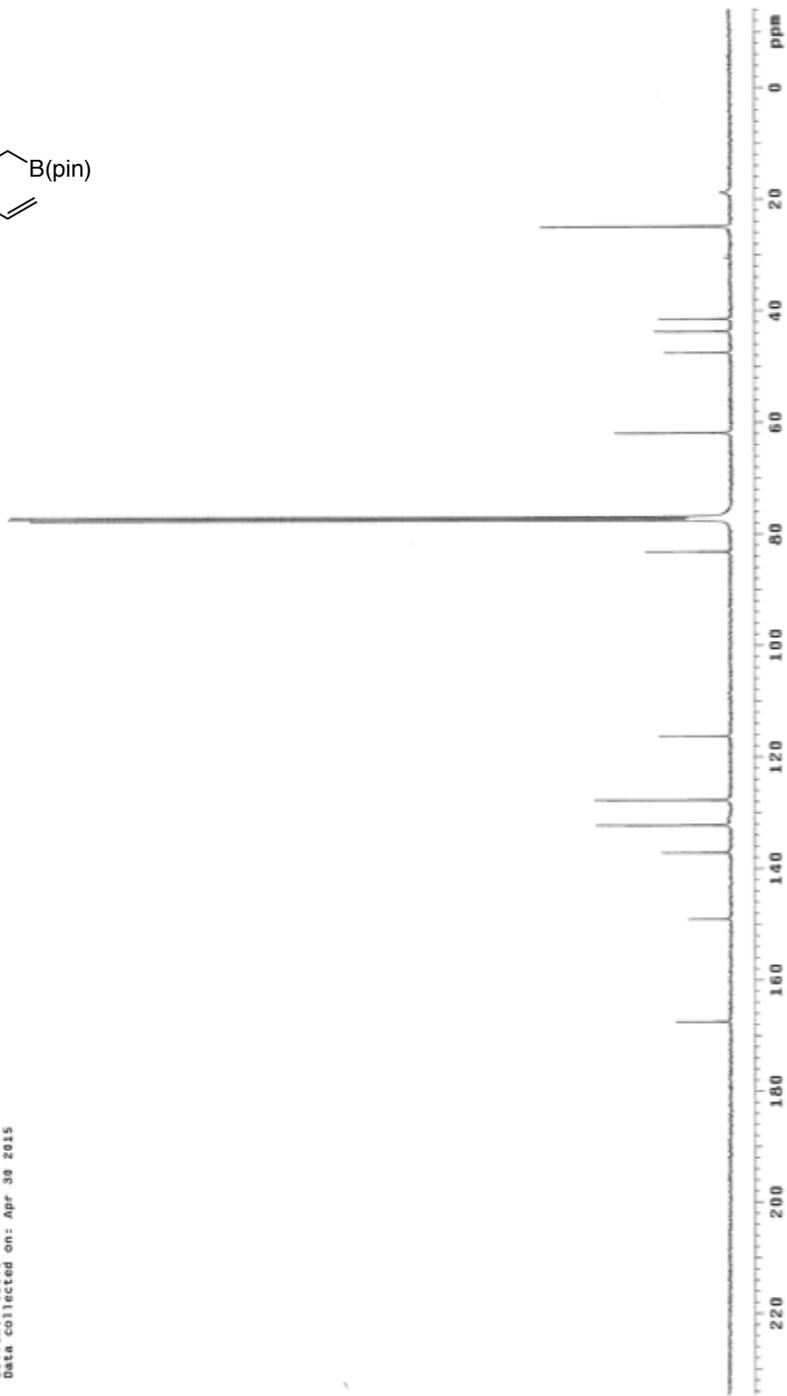
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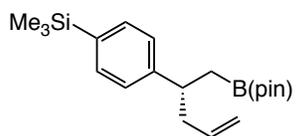




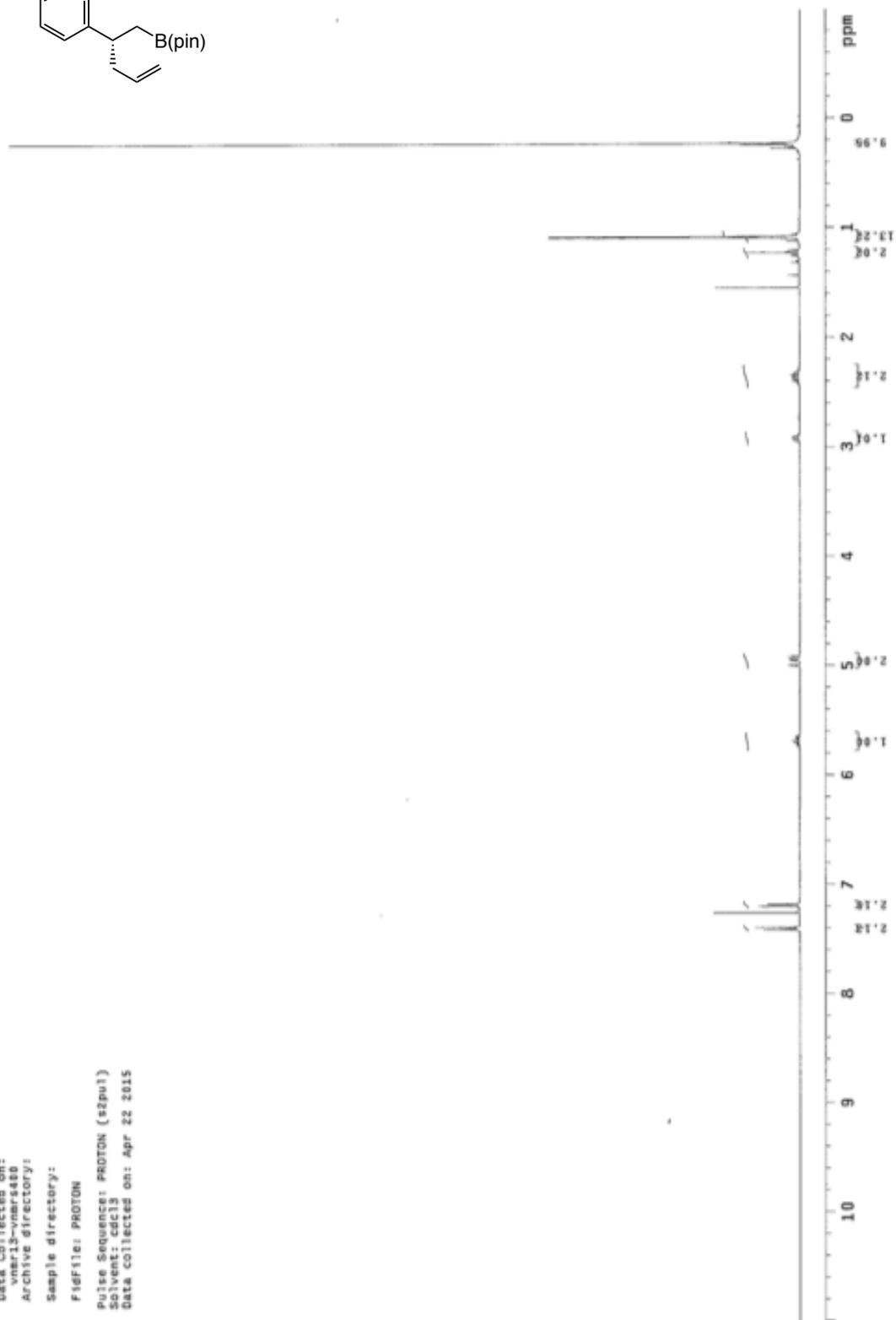


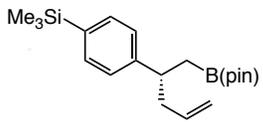
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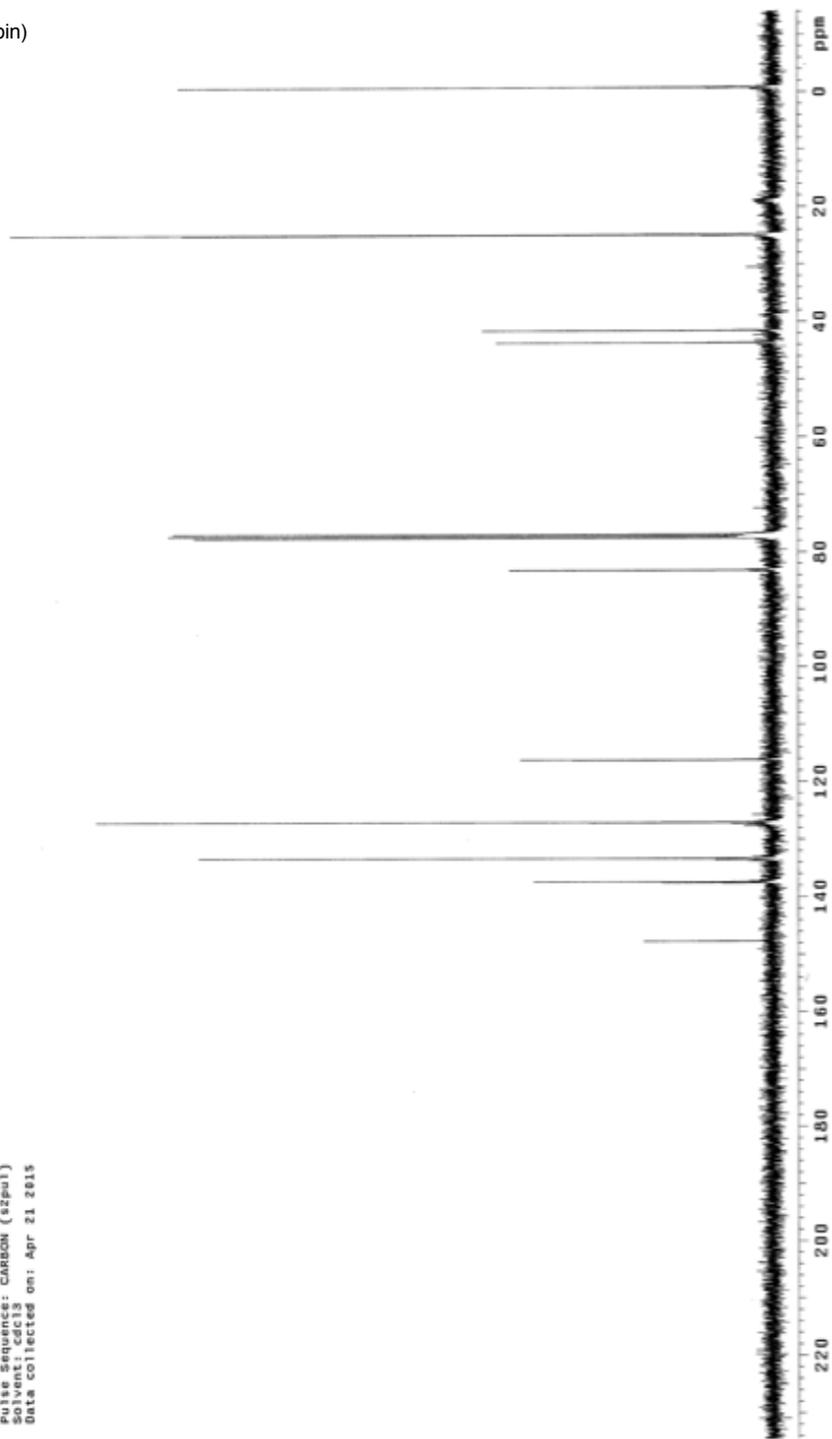


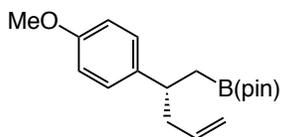
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Solvent: cdcl3
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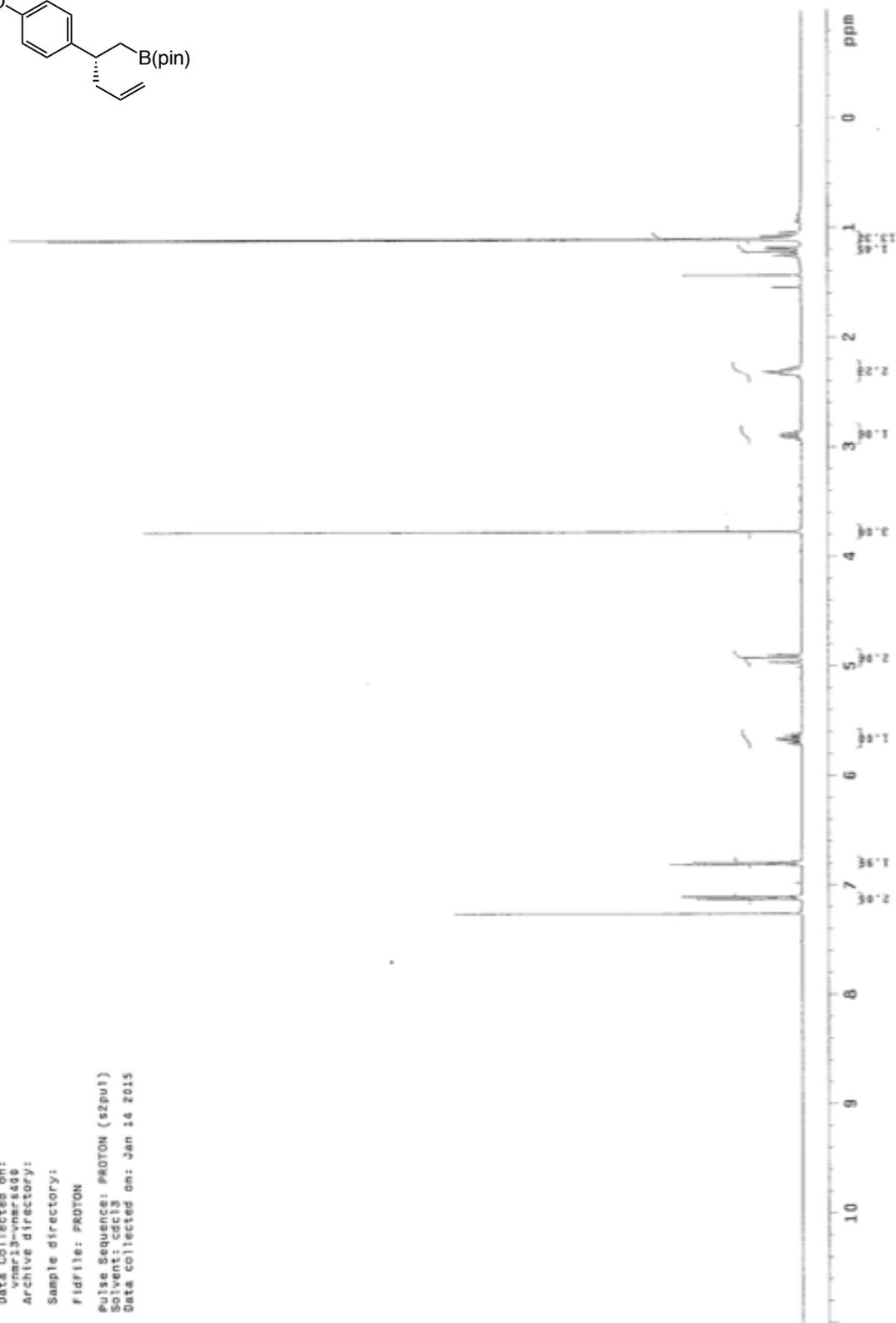


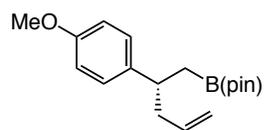
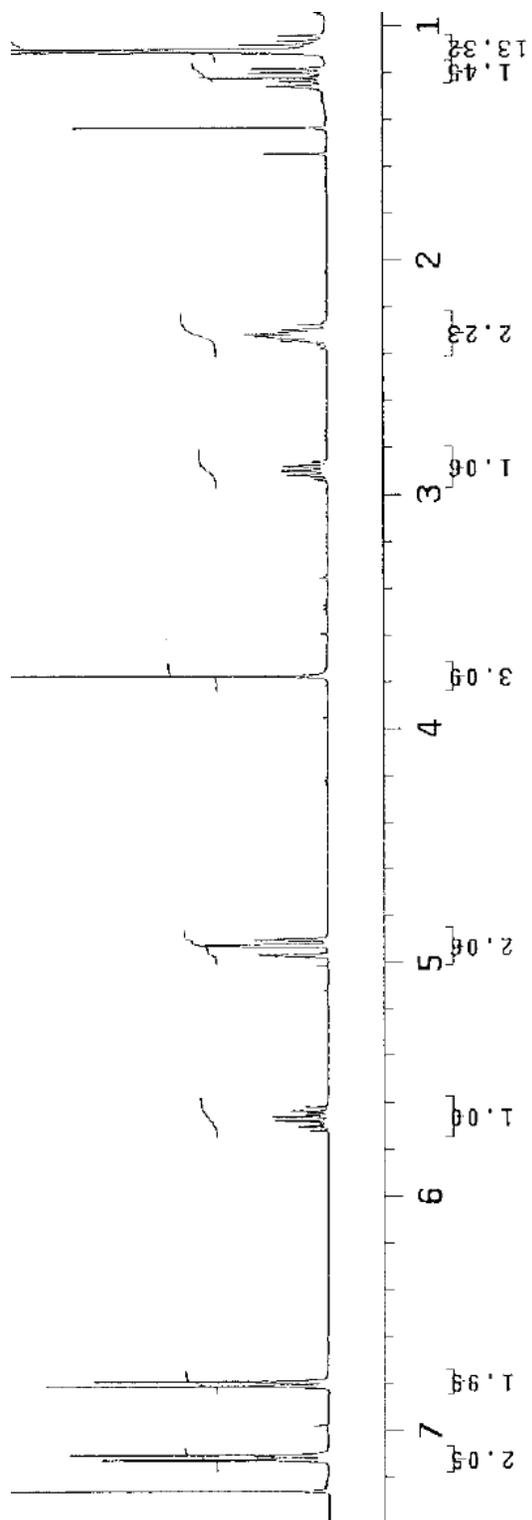
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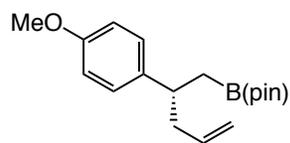




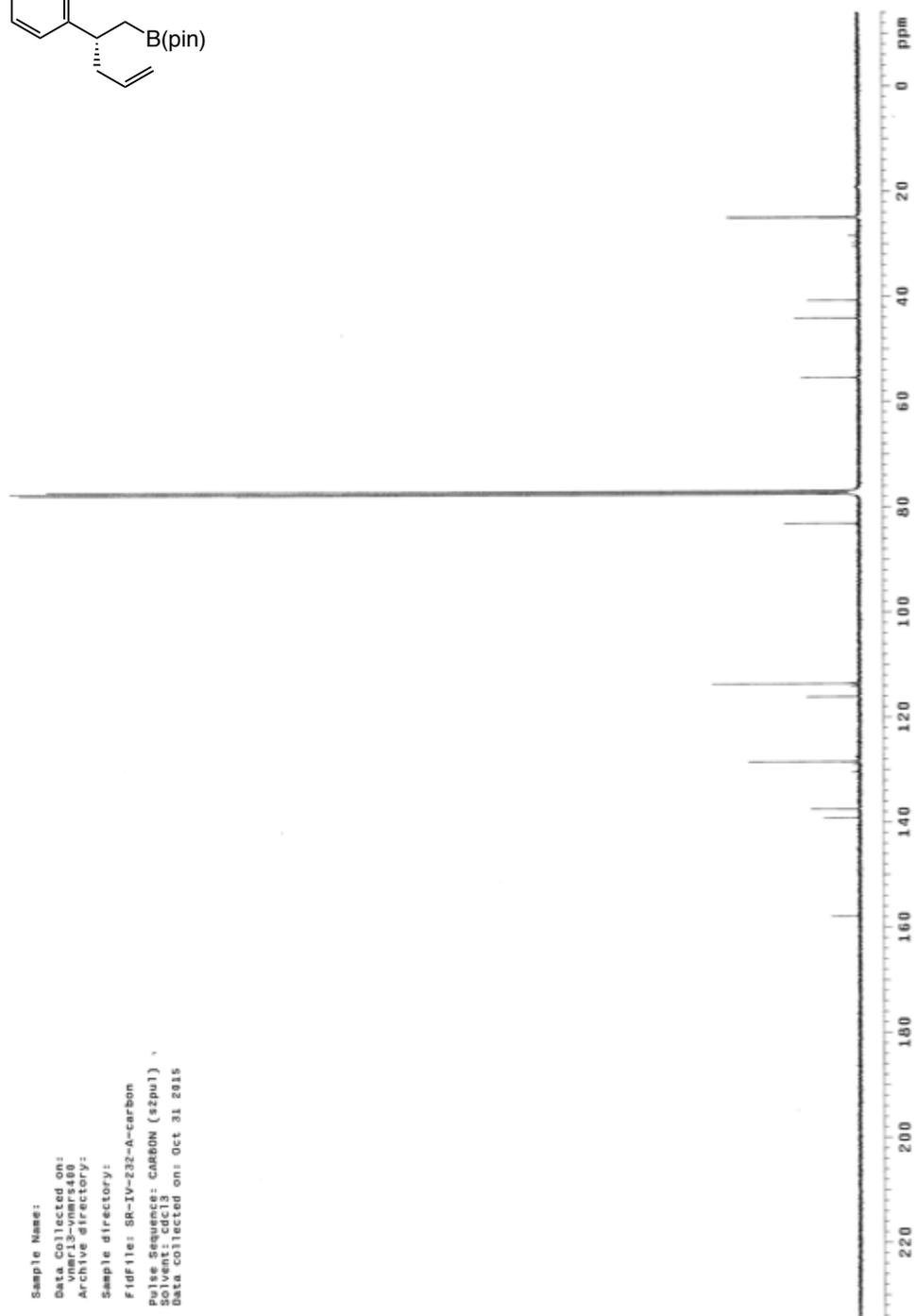
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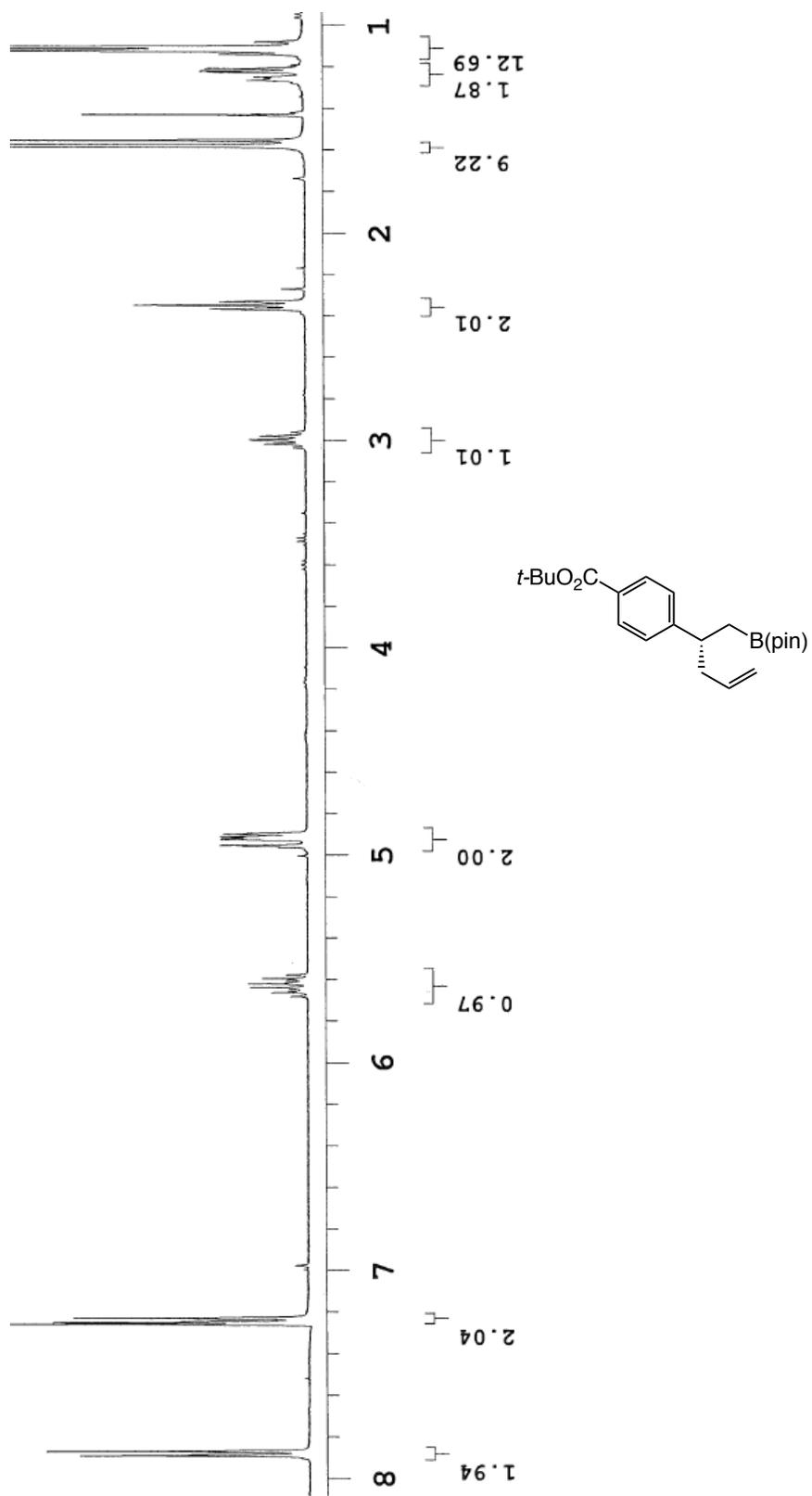


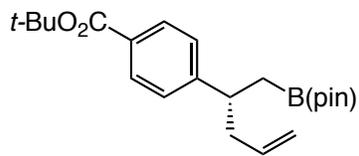




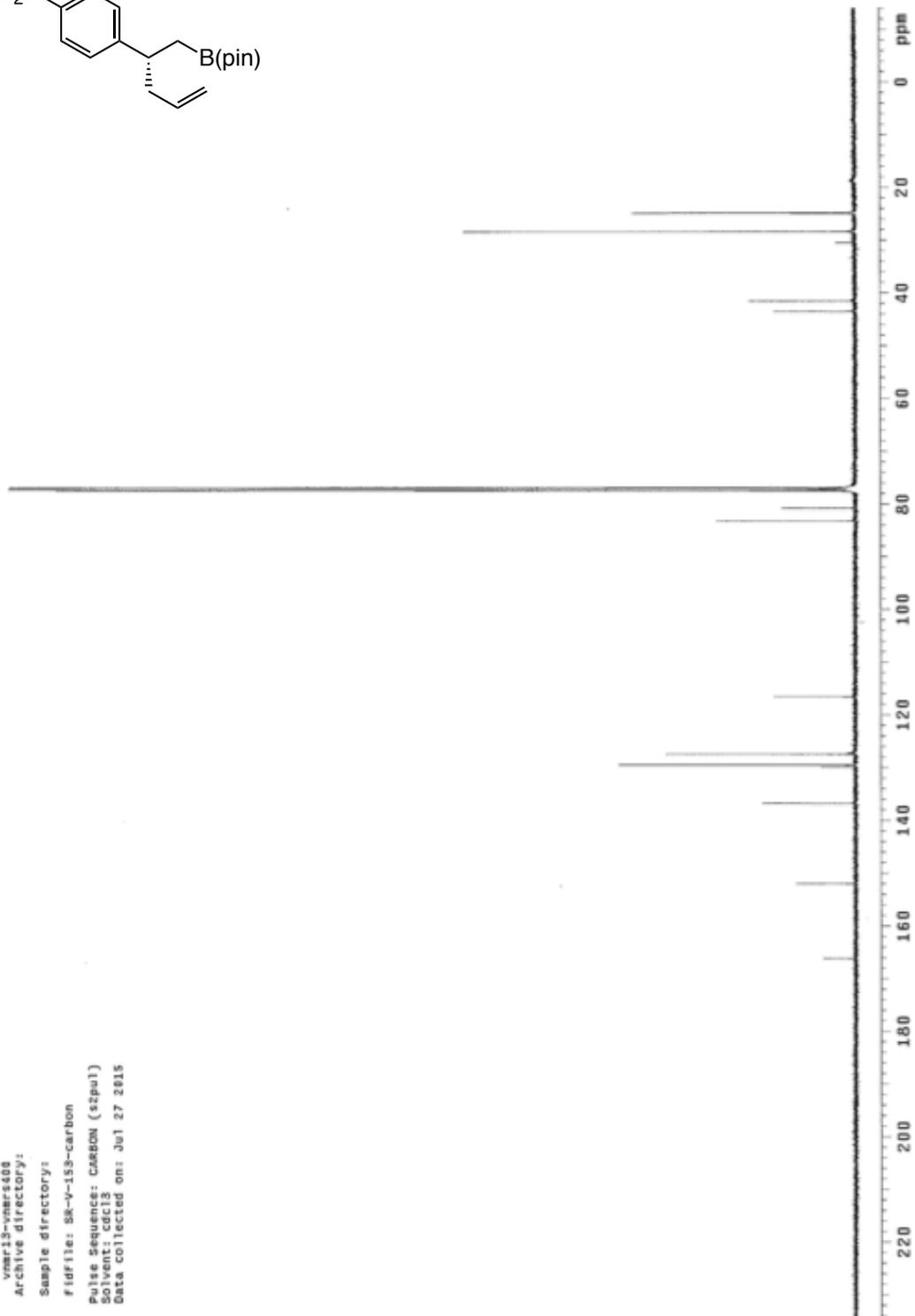
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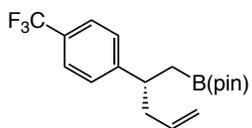




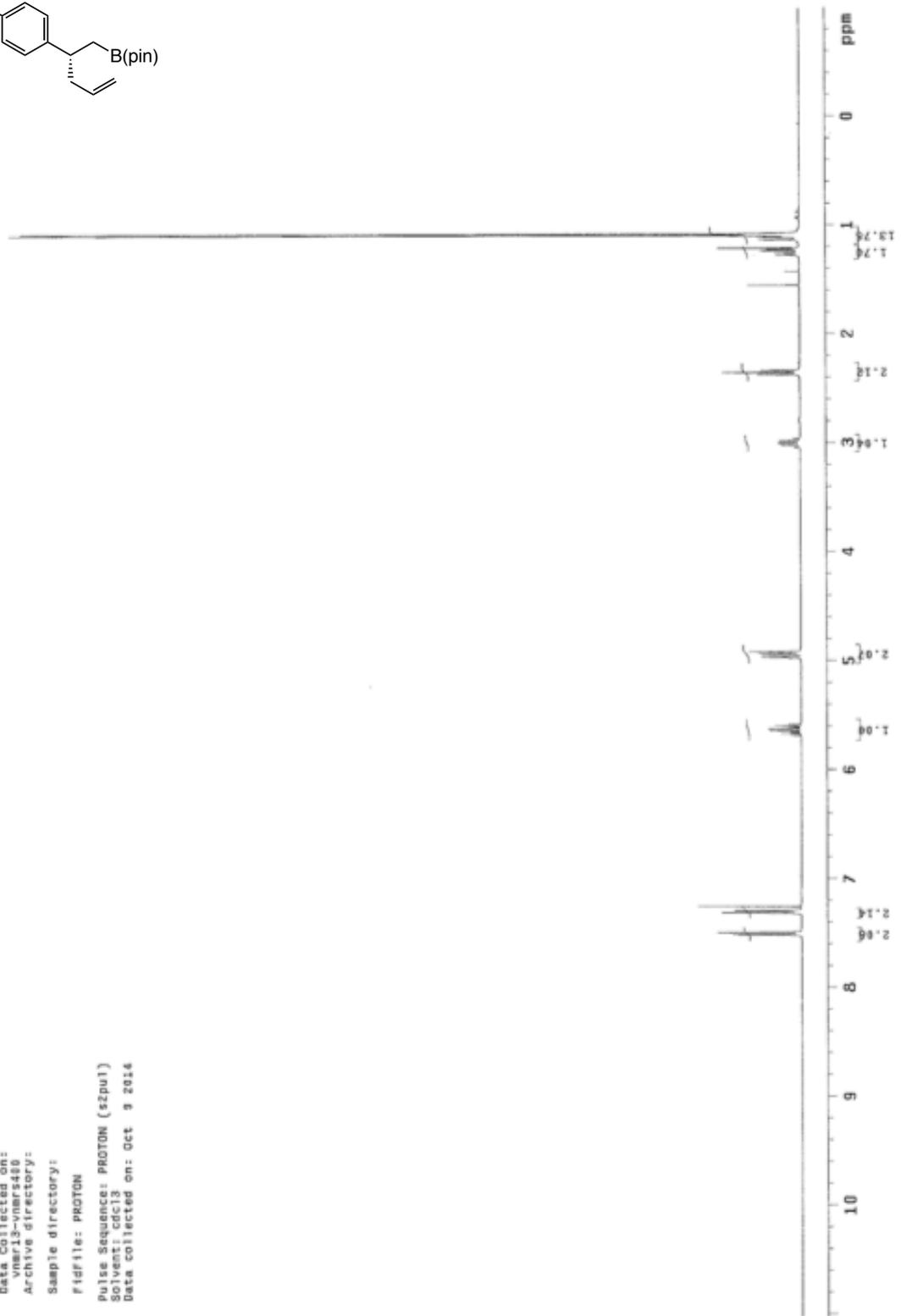


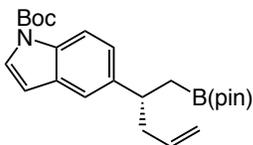
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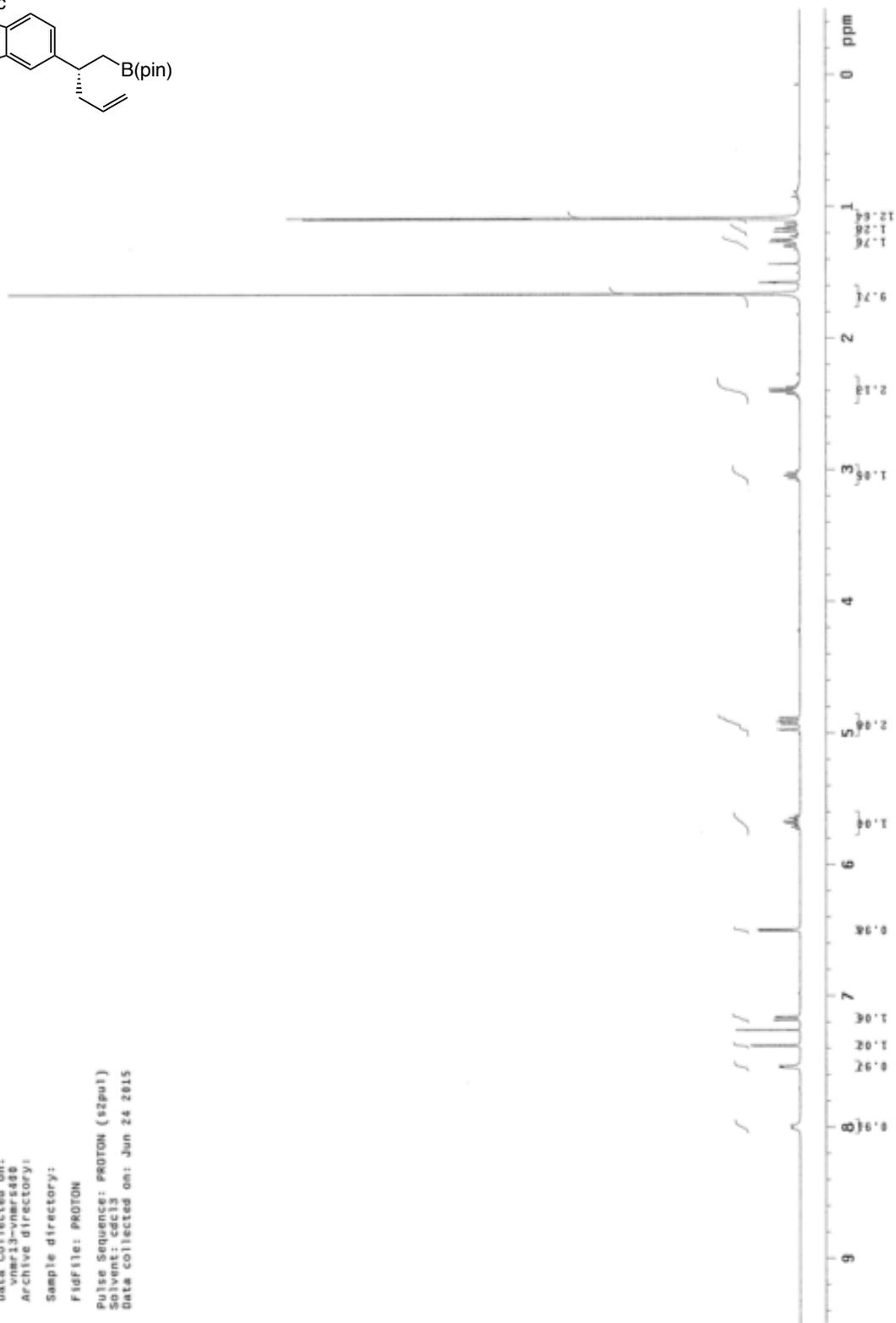


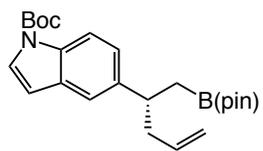
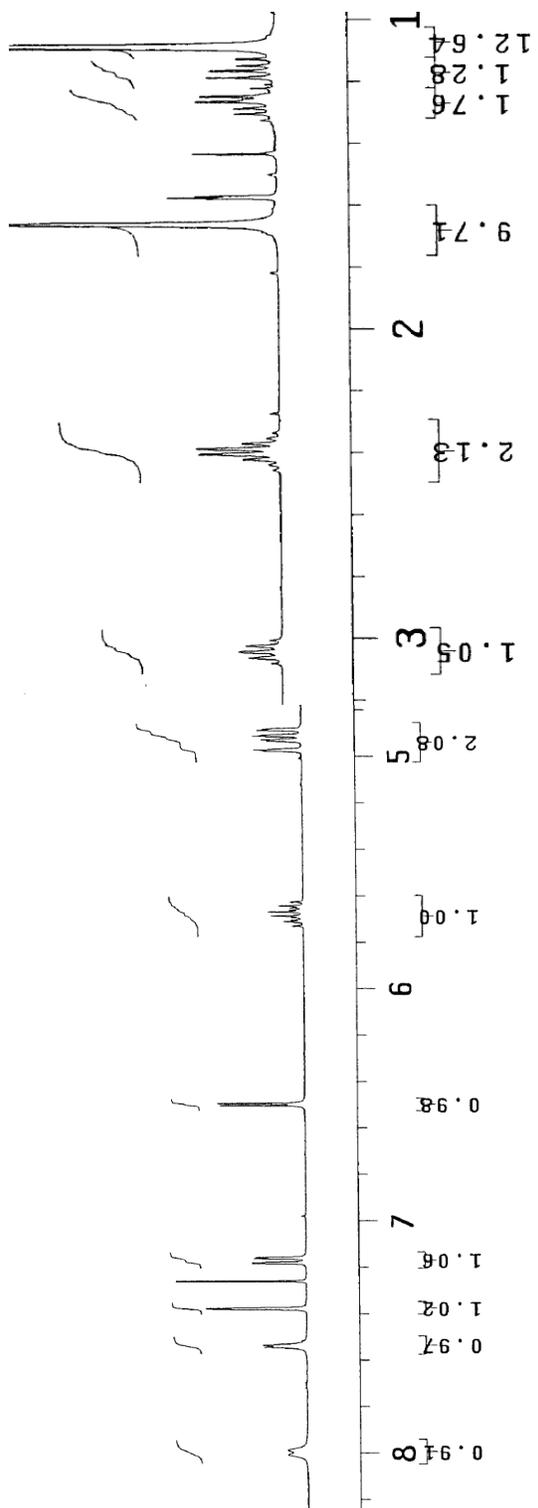
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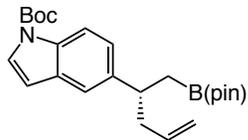




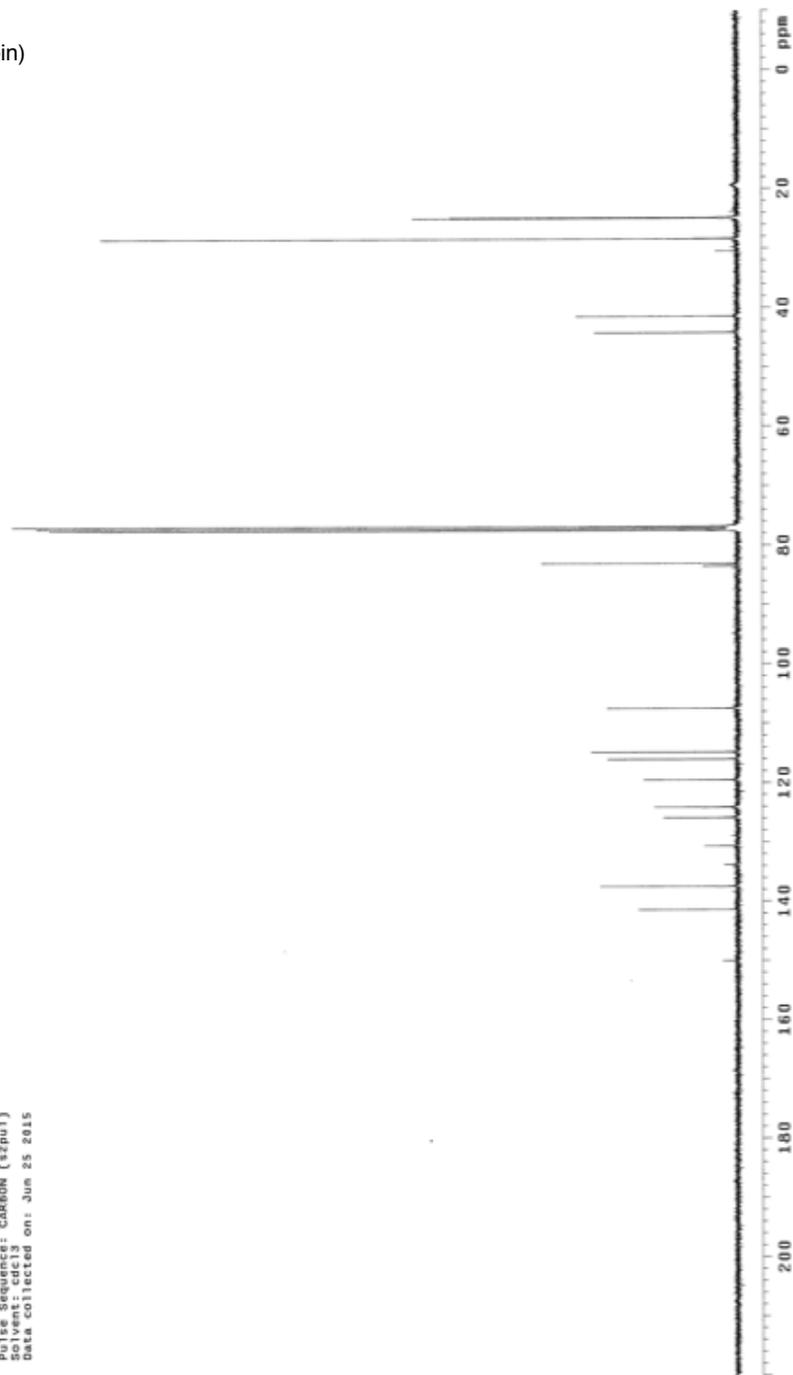
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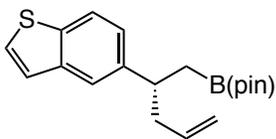






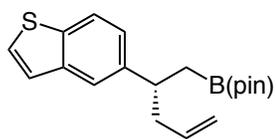
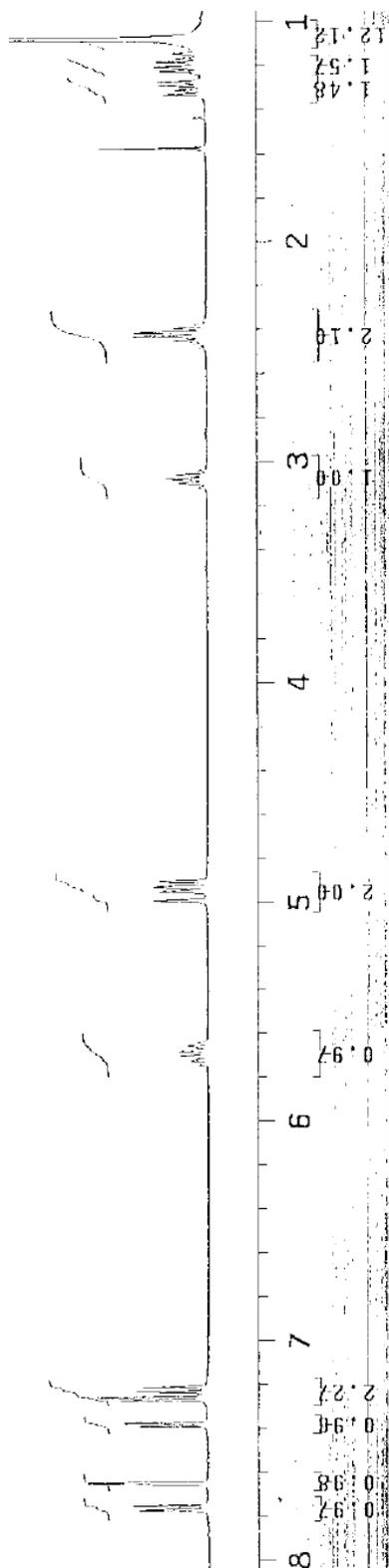
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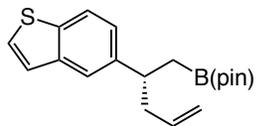




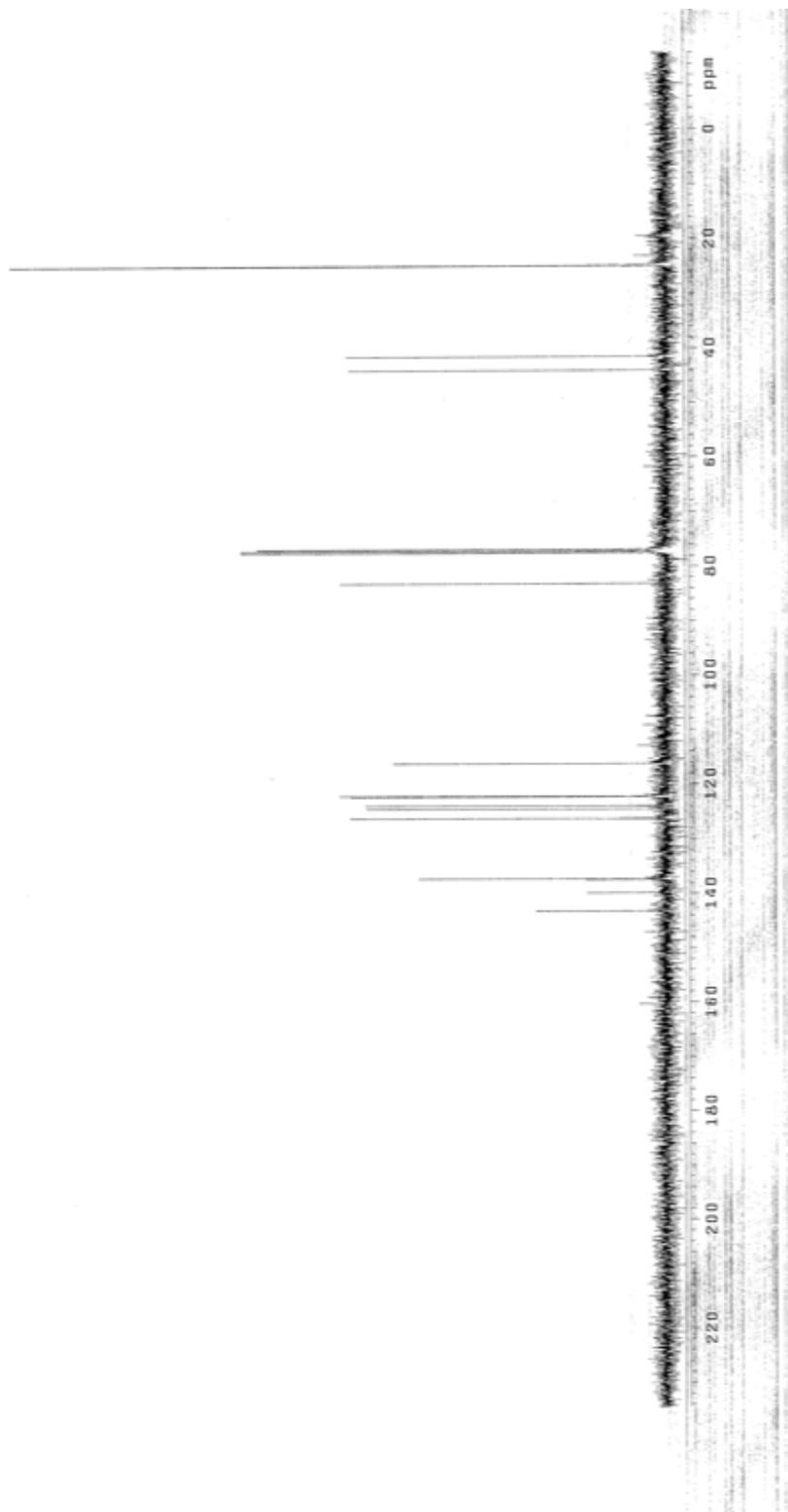
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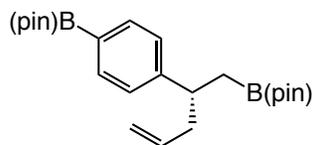




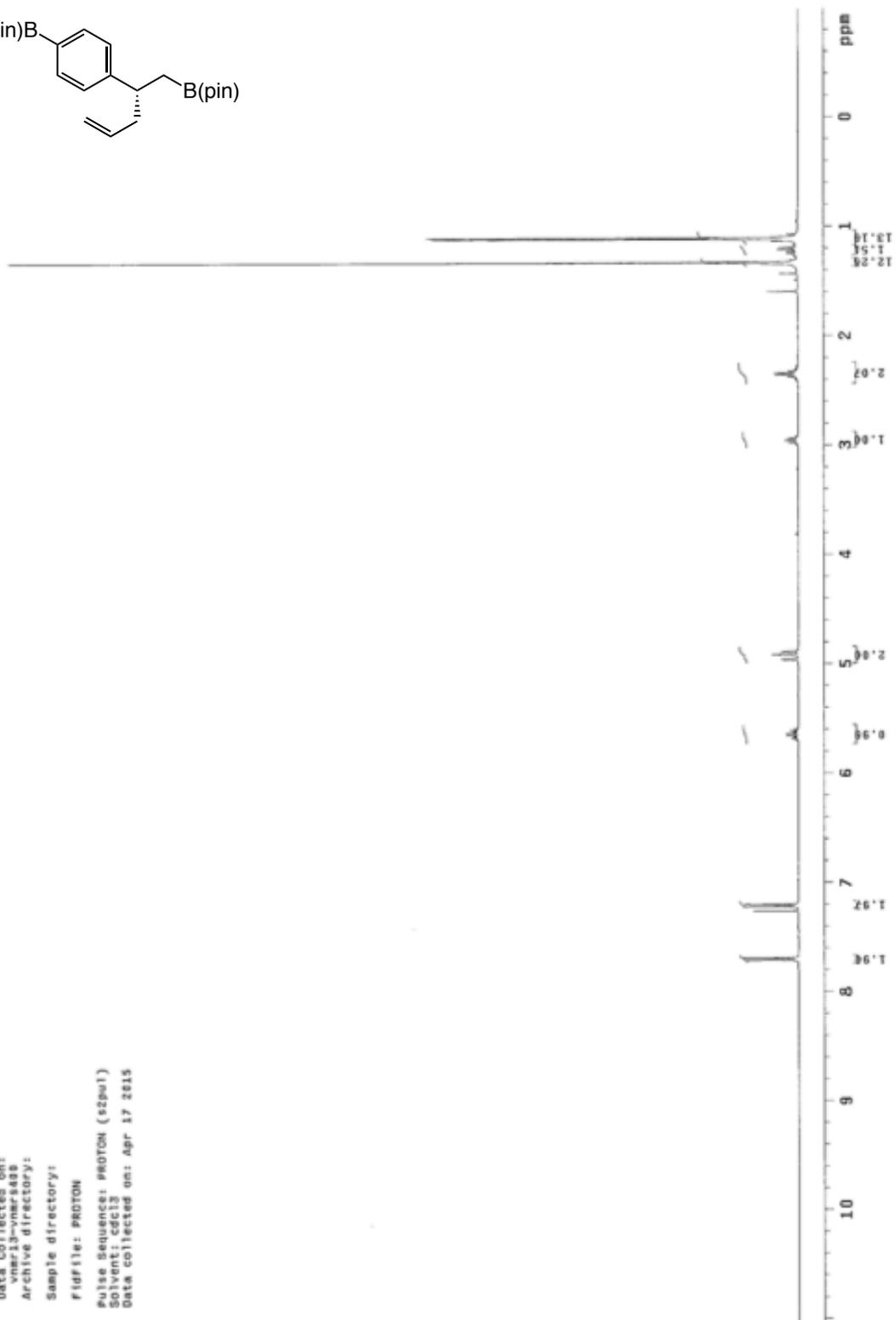


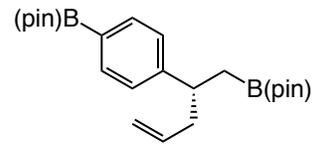
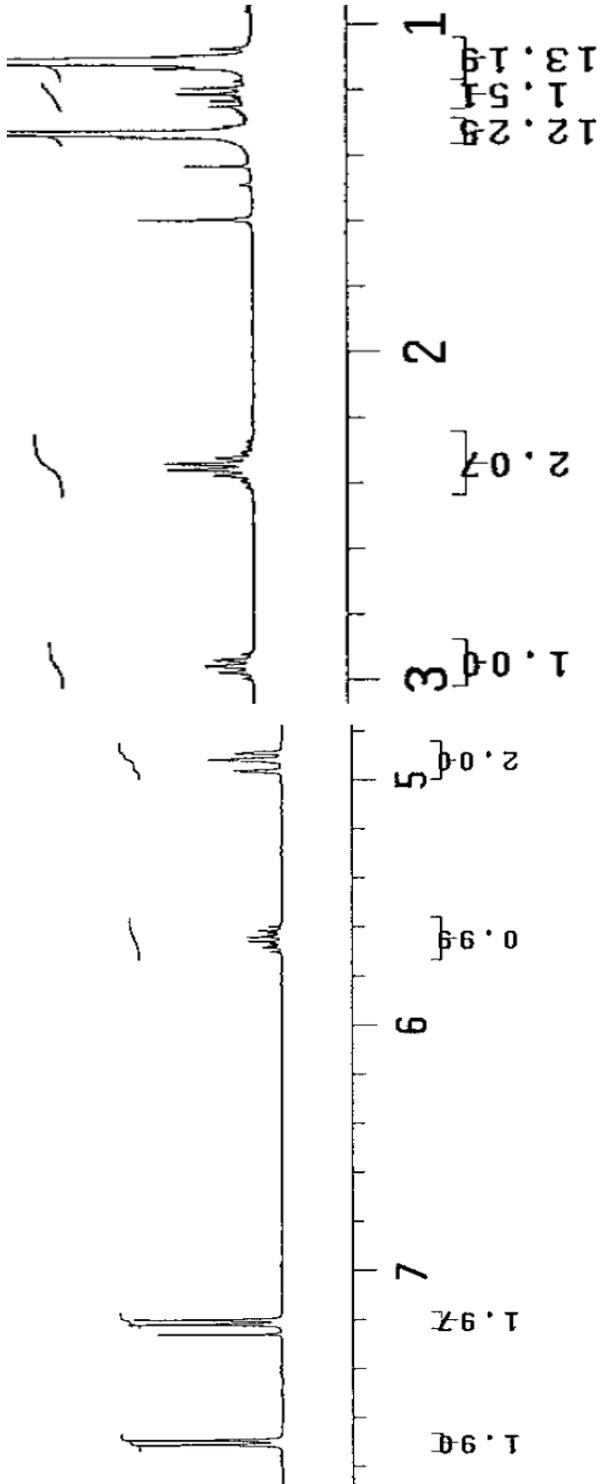
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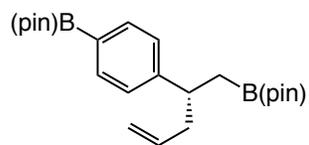




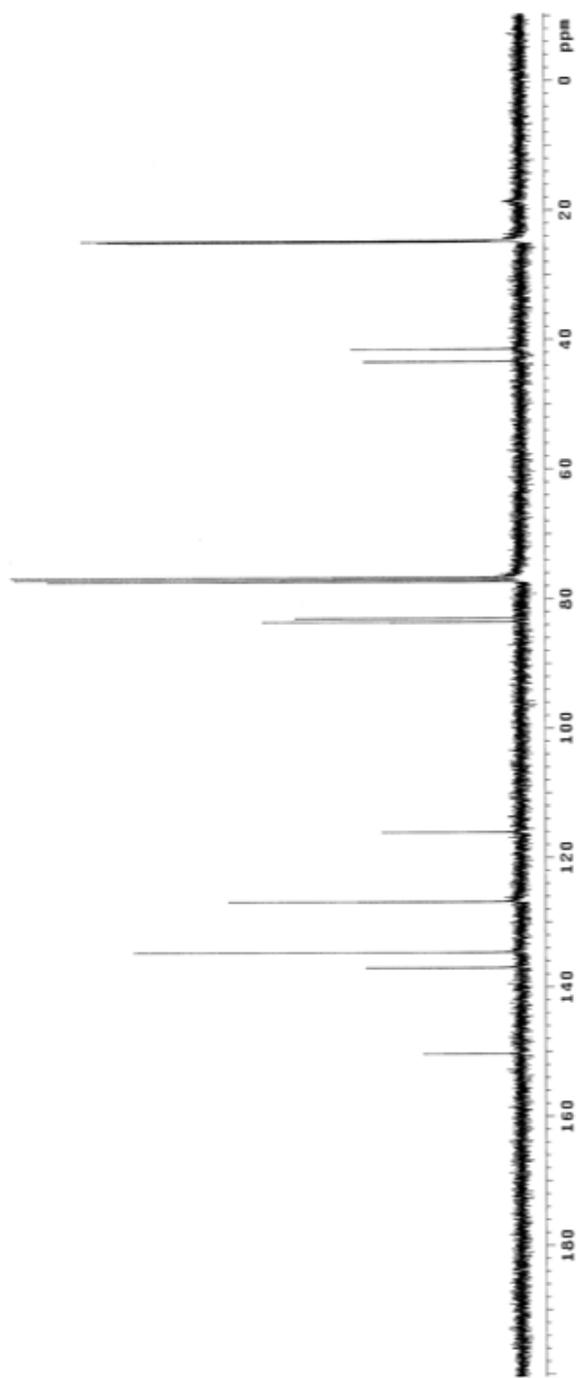
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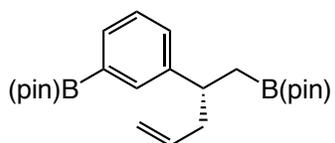




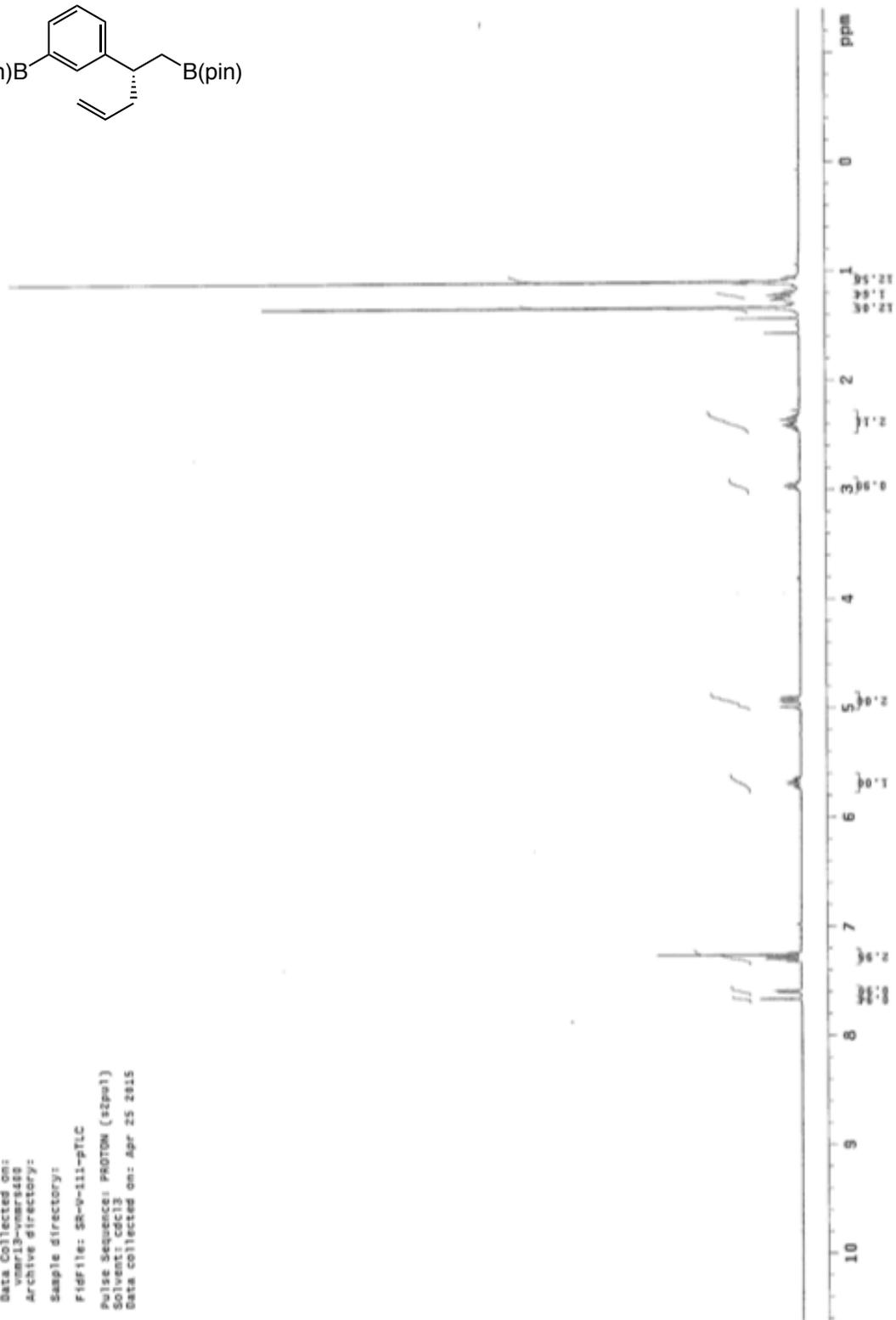


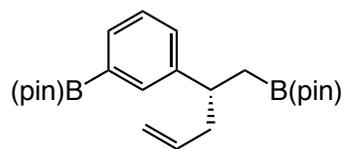
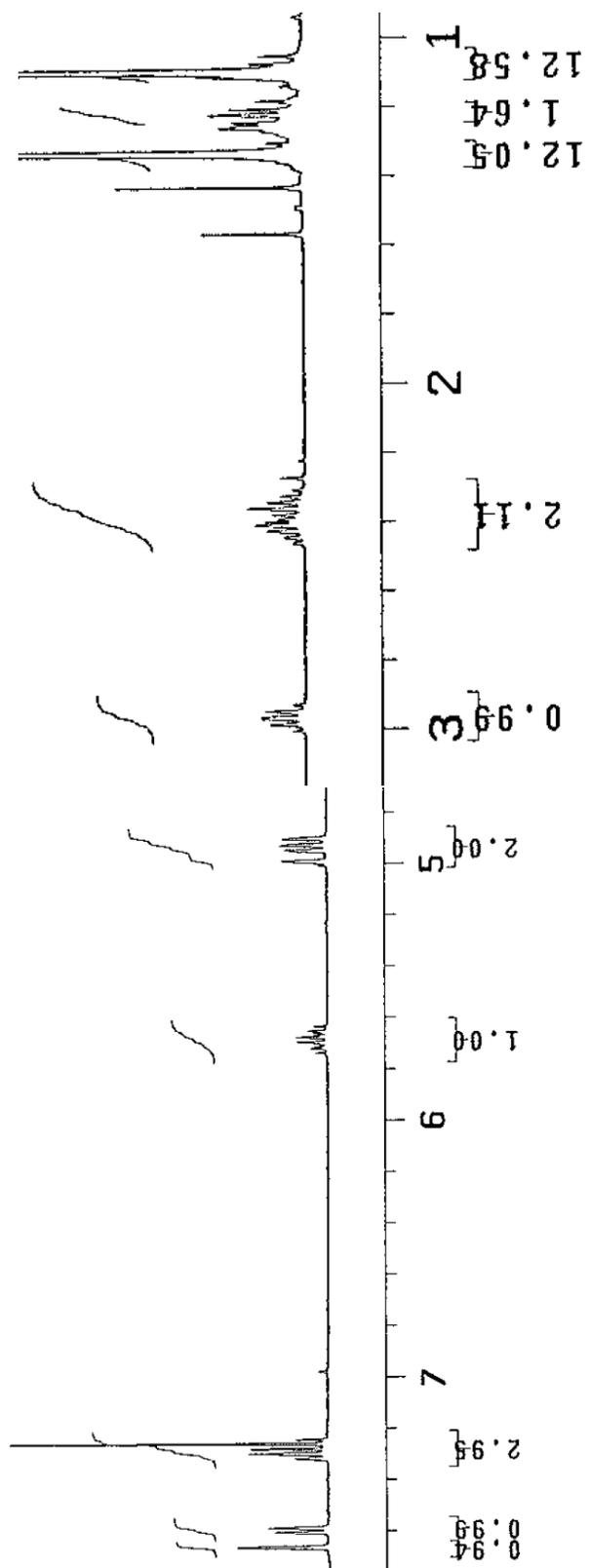
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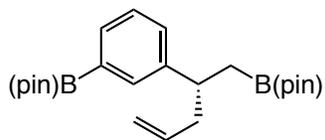




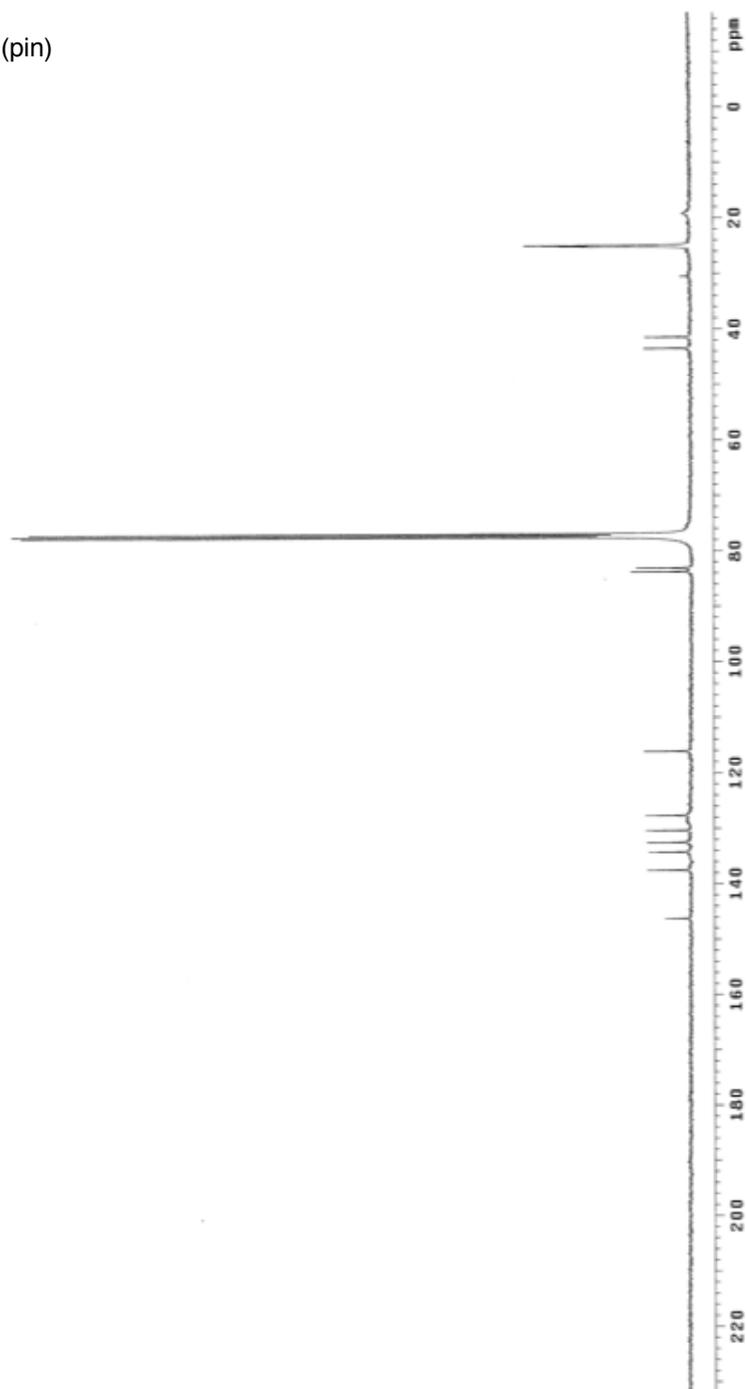
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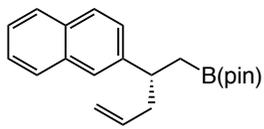




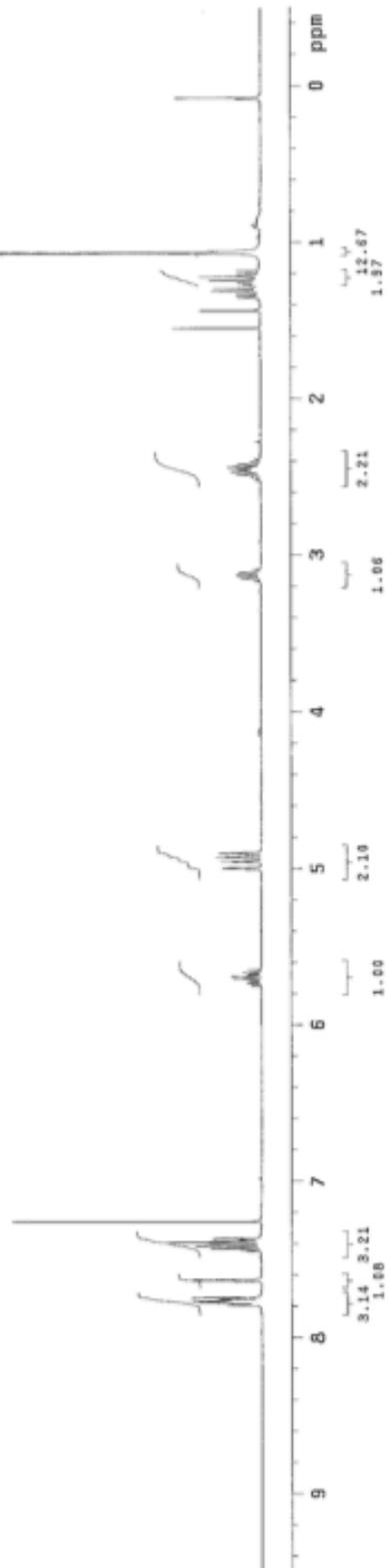


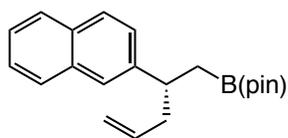
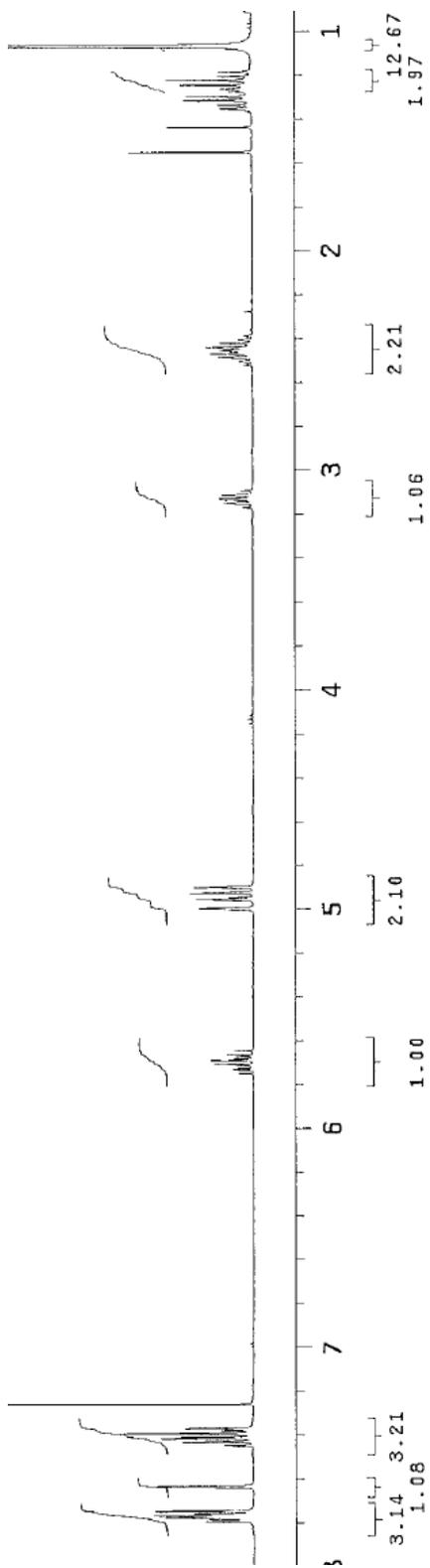
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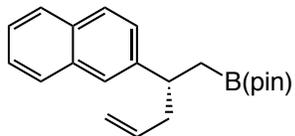




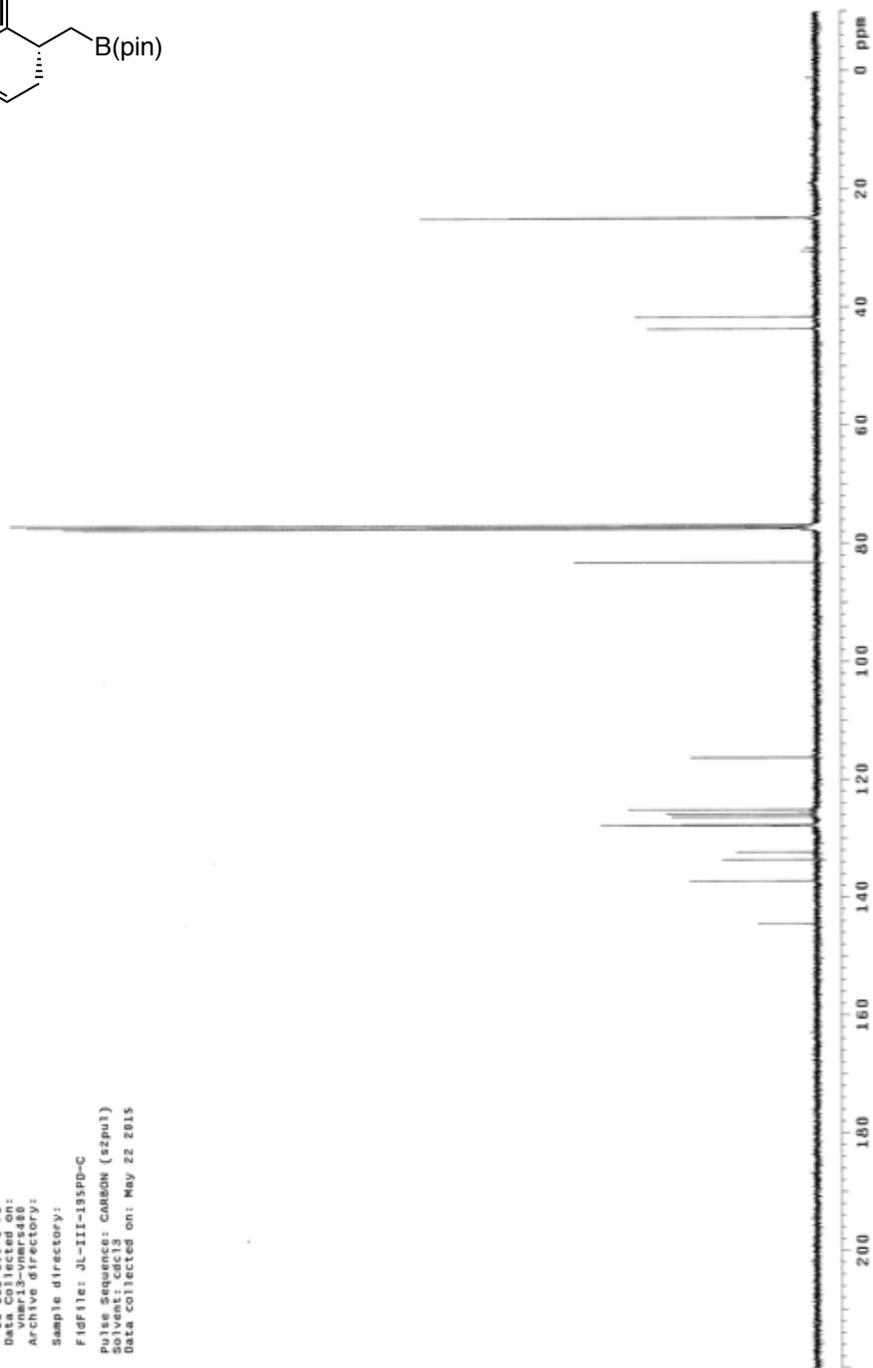
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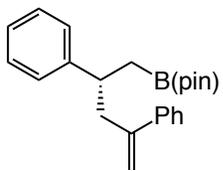




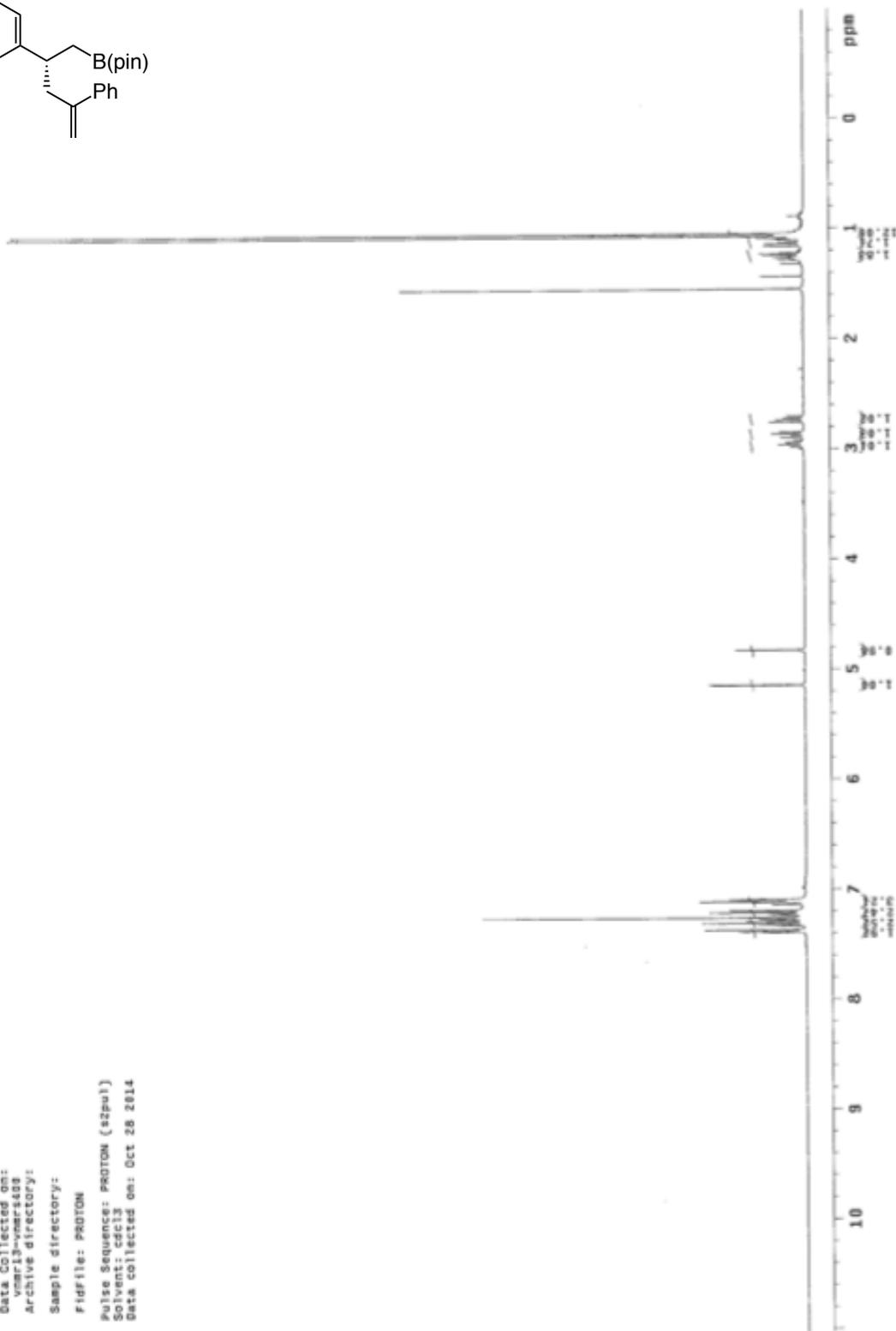


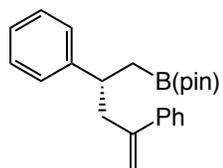
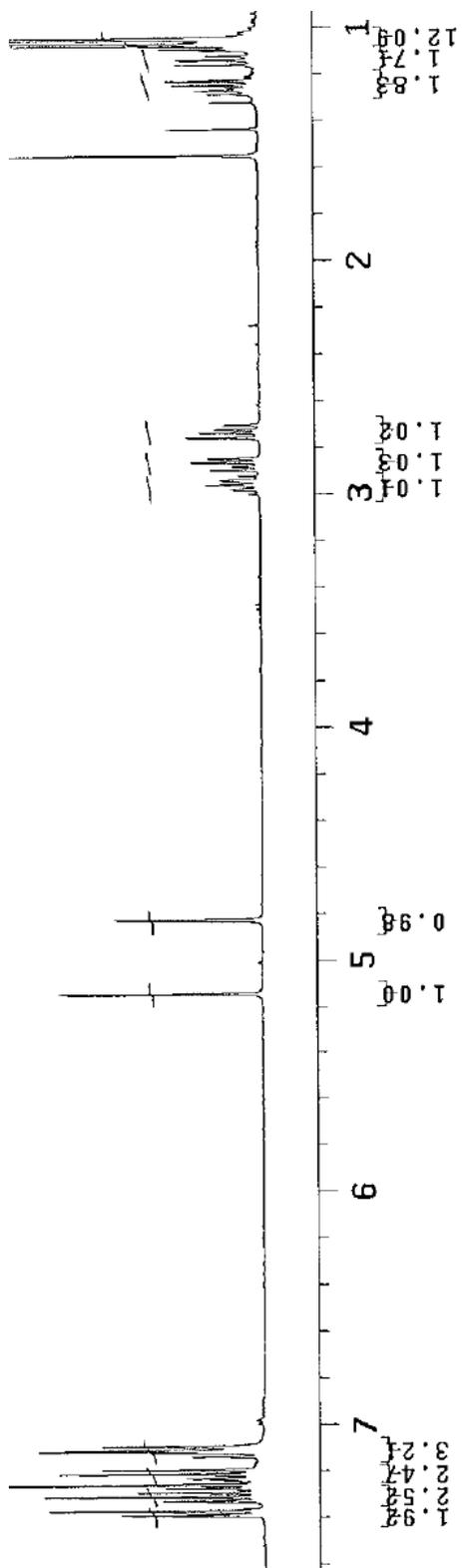
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Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: May 22 2015

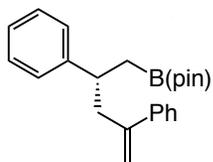




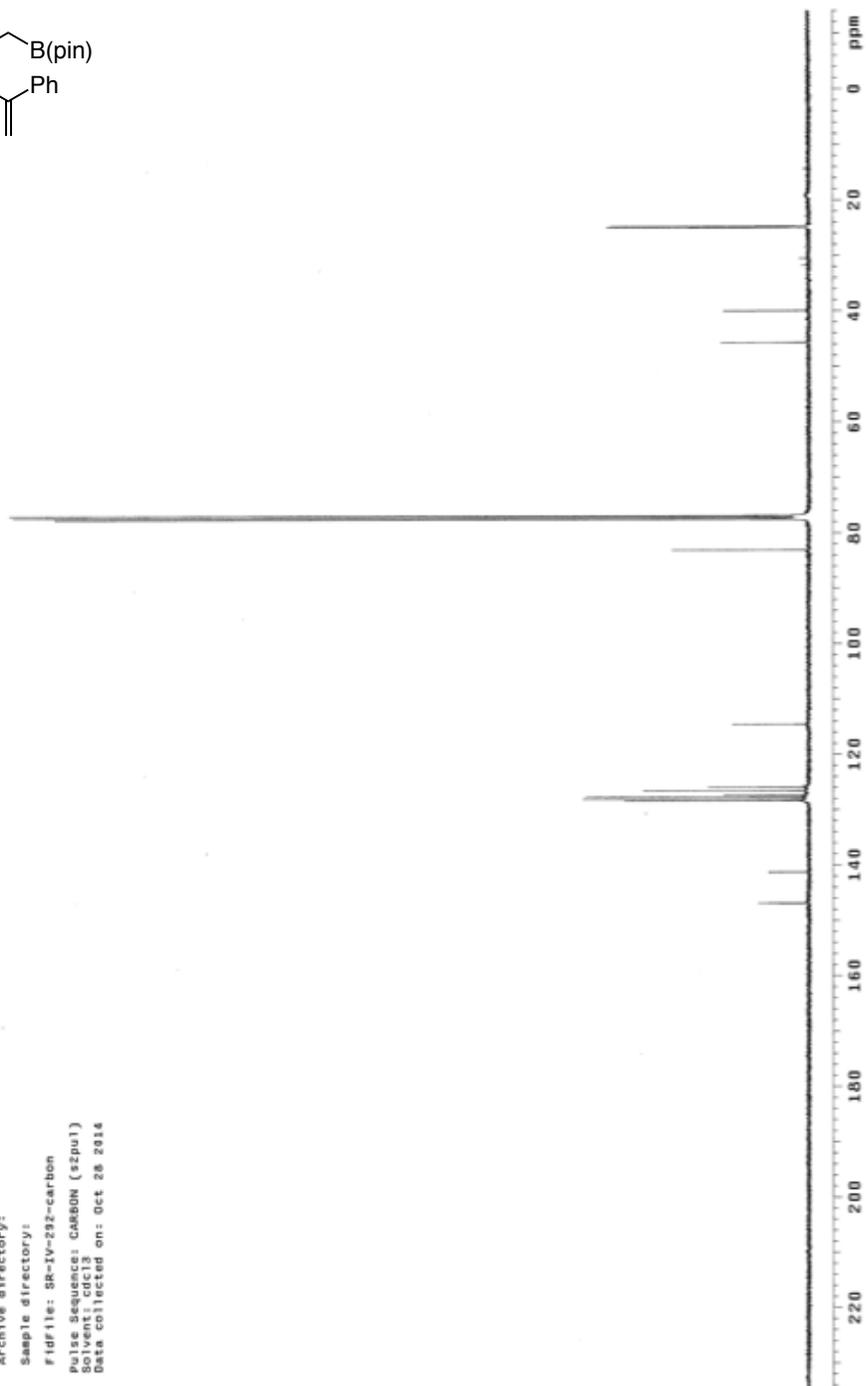
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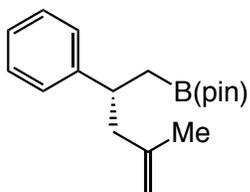




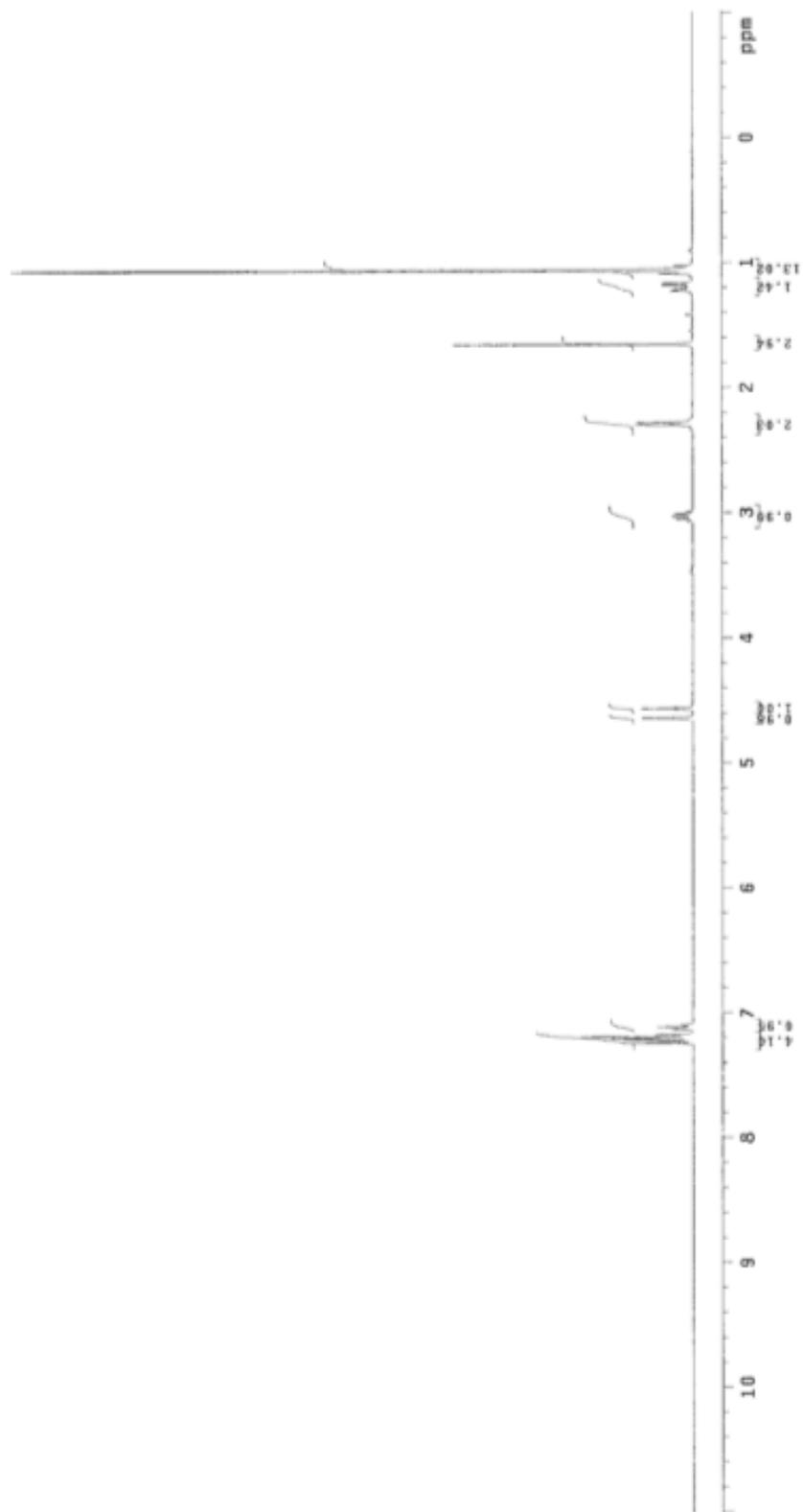


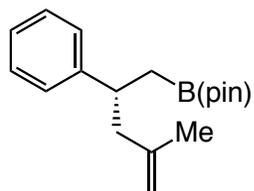
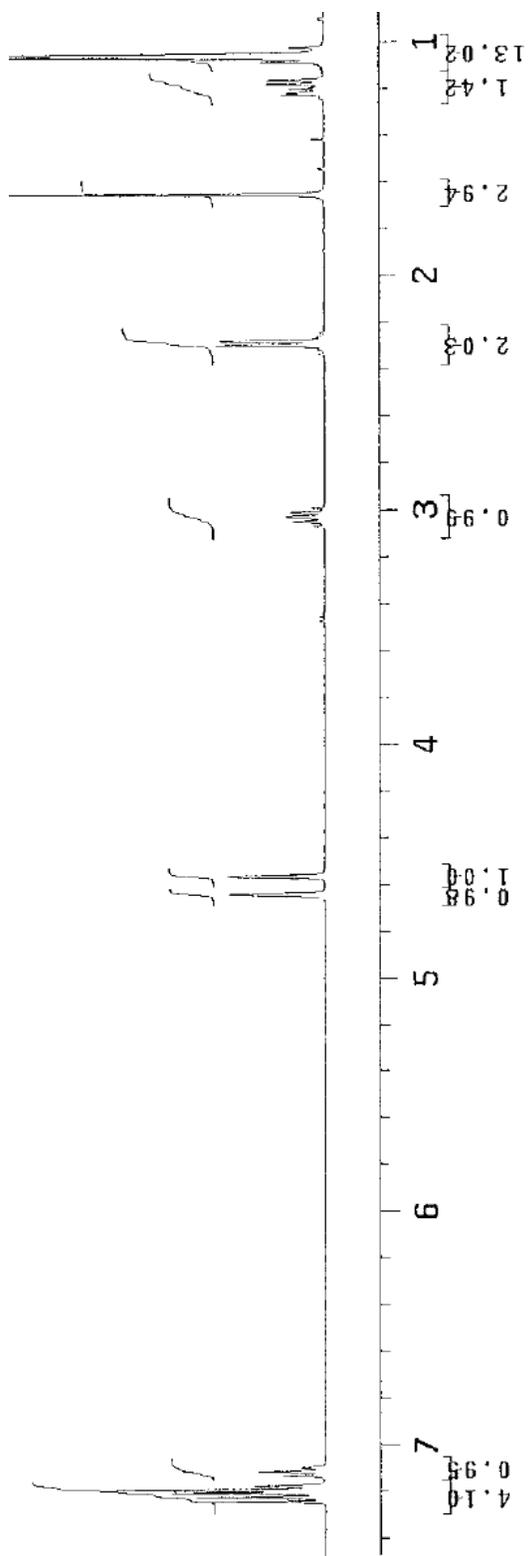
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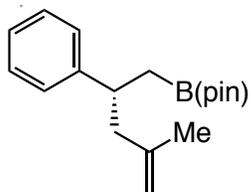




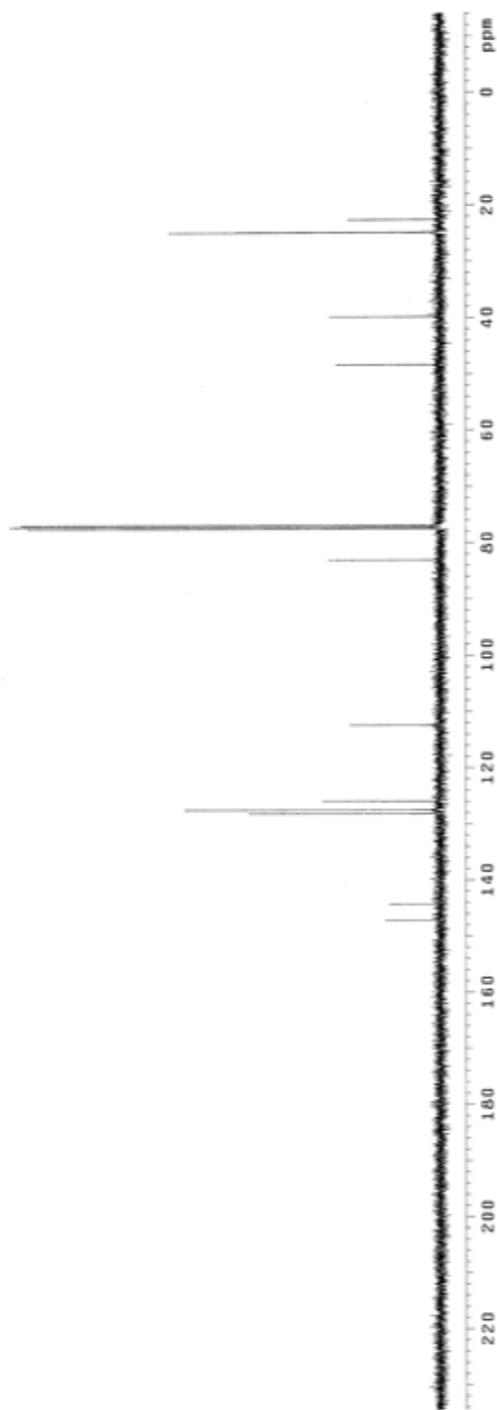
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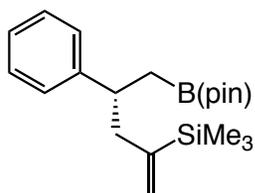
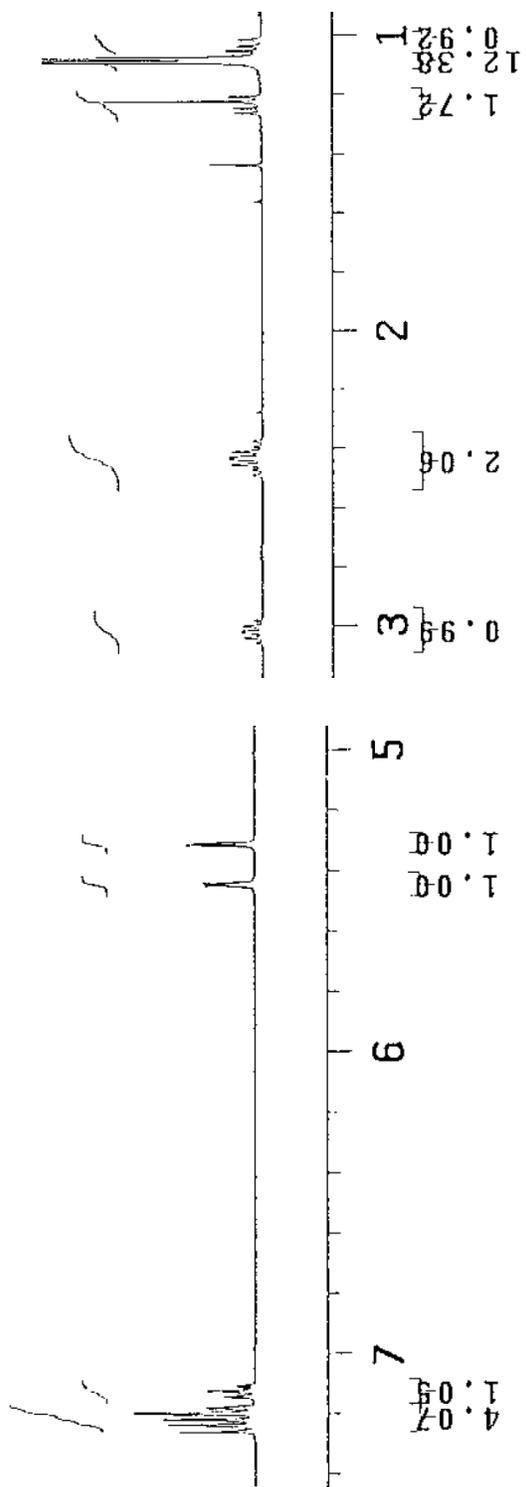




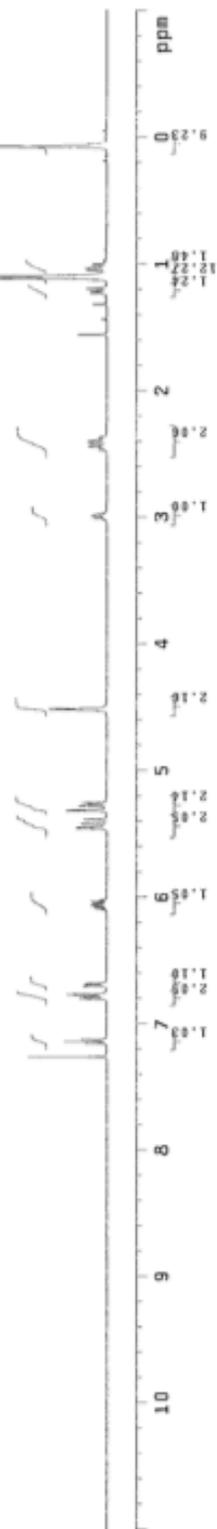
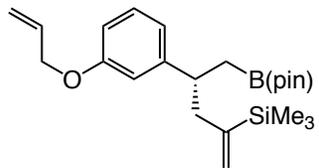


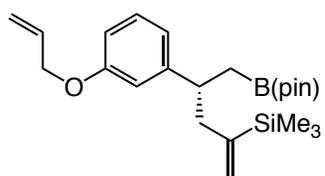
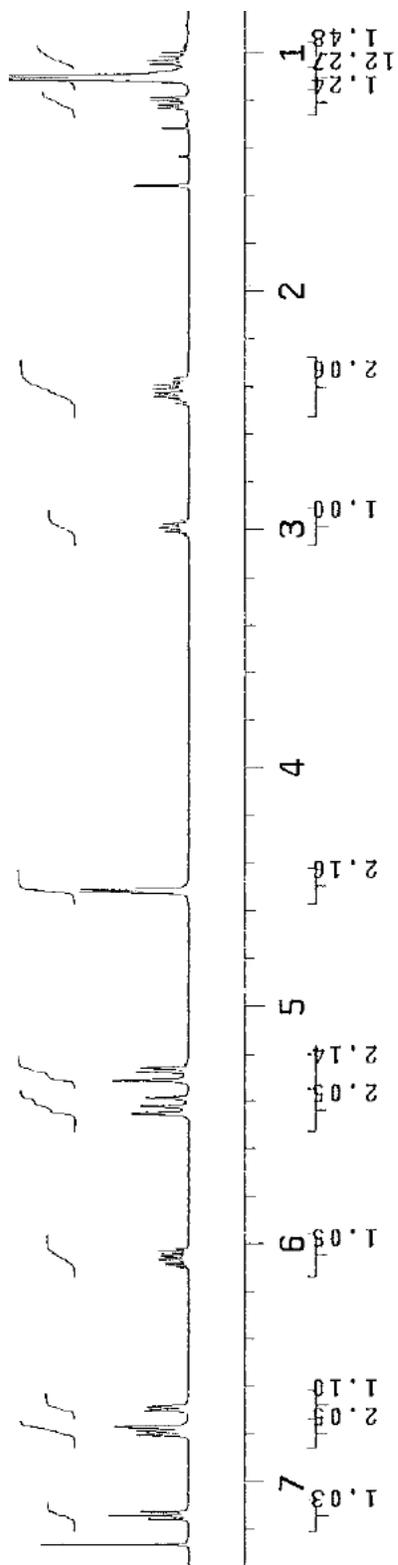
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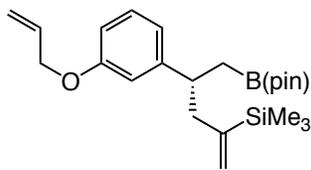




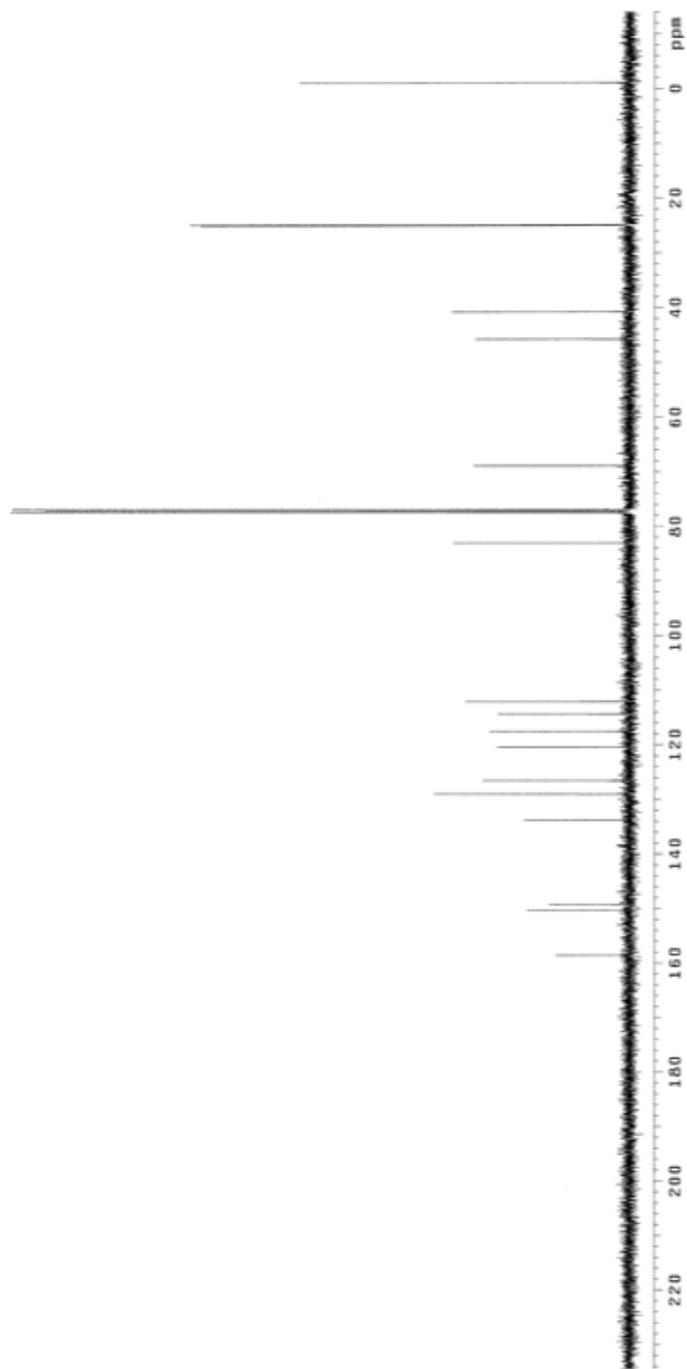
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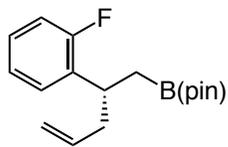




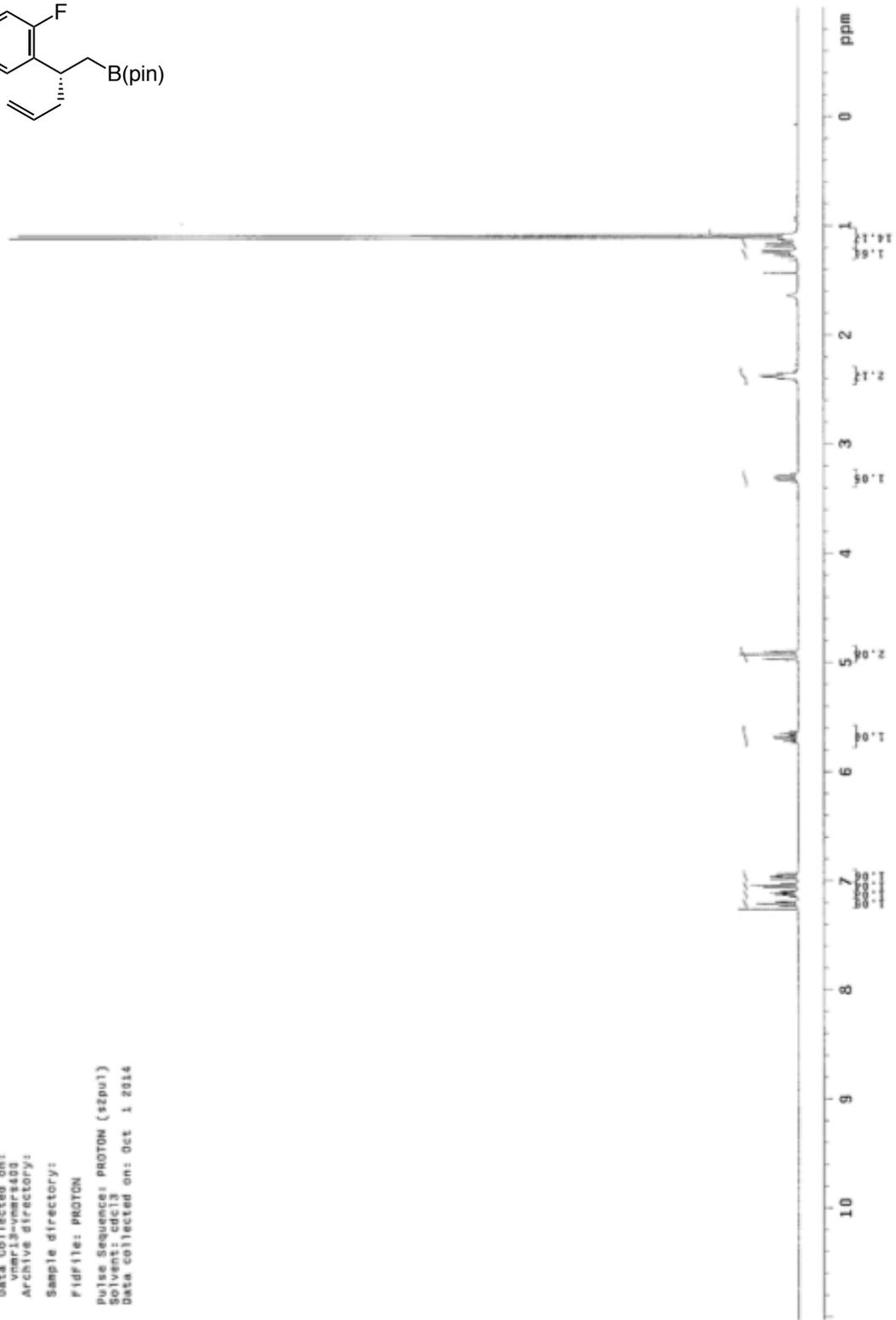


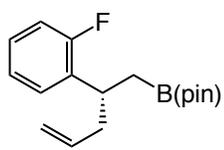
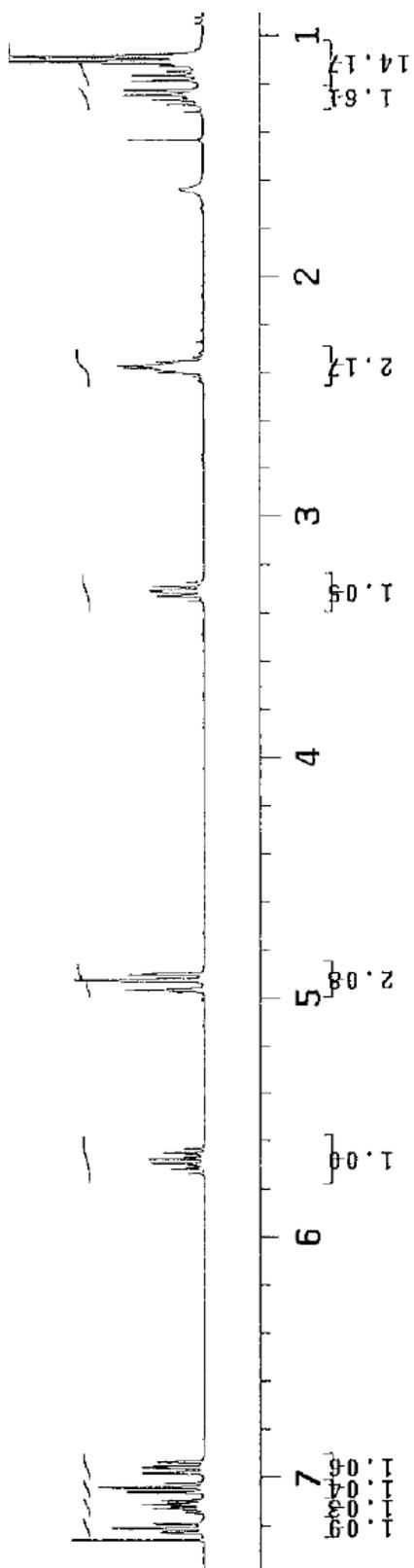
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Data collected on: Jan 18 2015

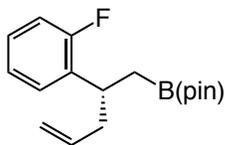




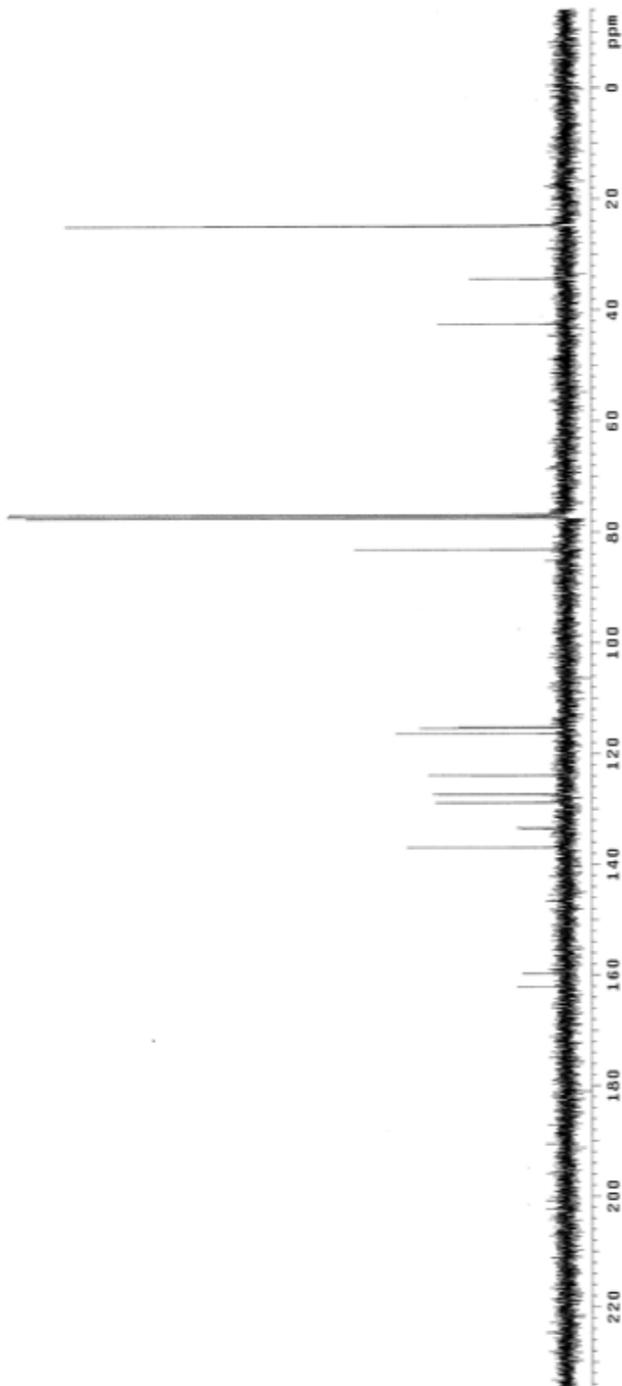
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Data collected on: Oct 1 2014

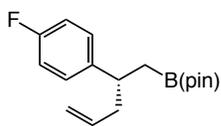




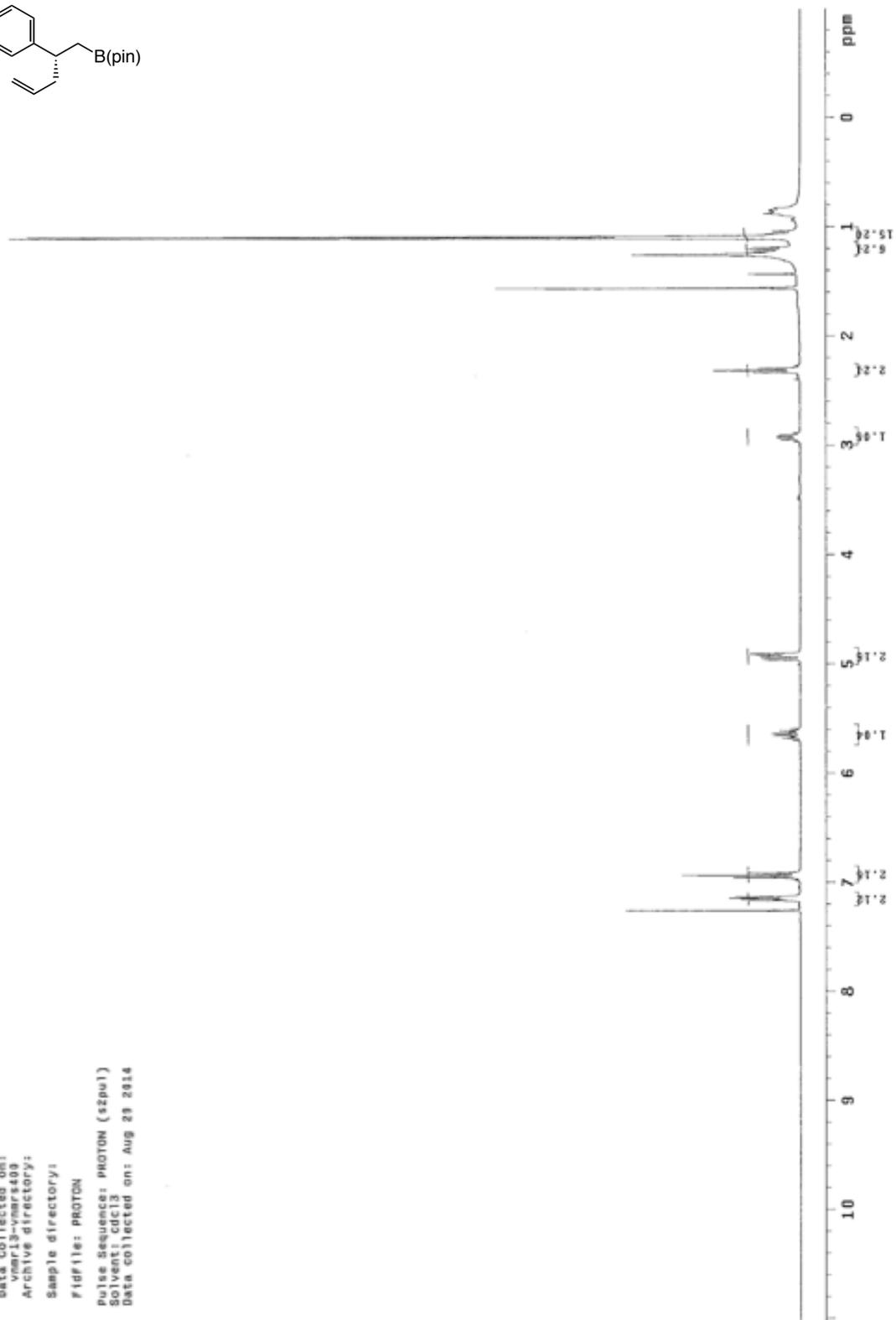


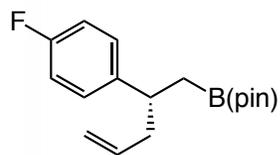
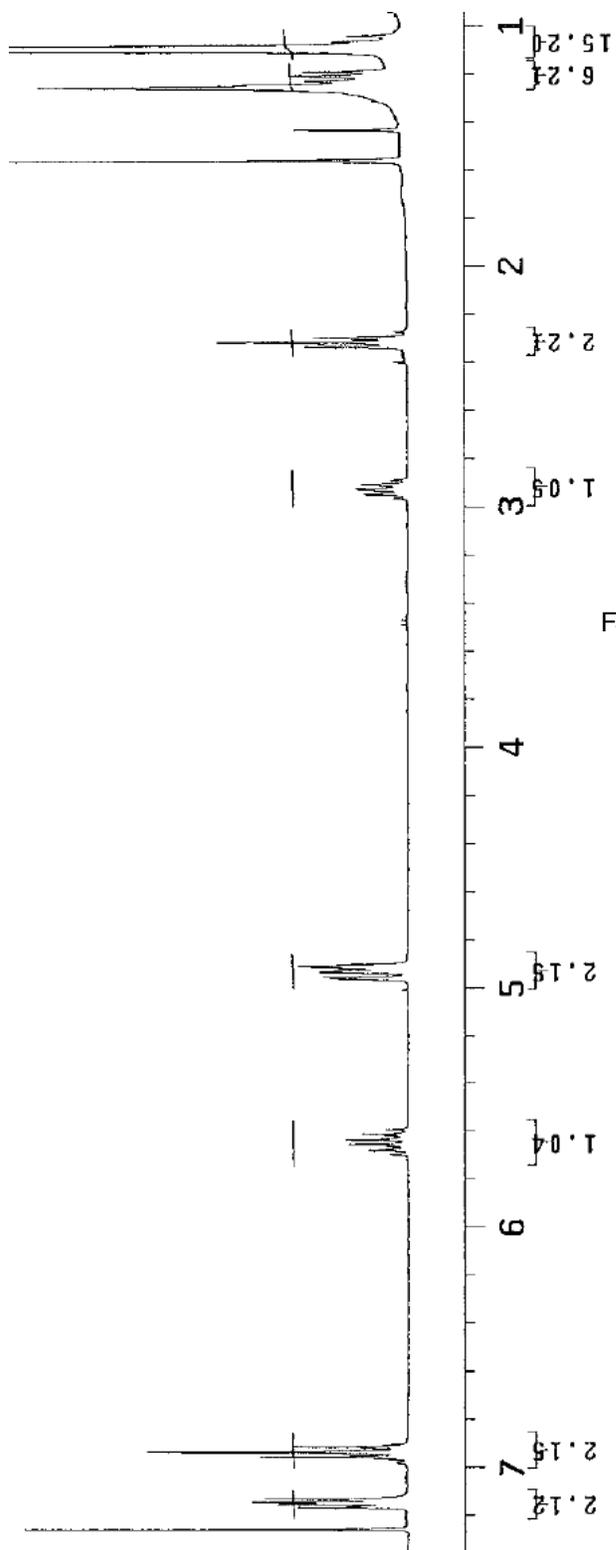
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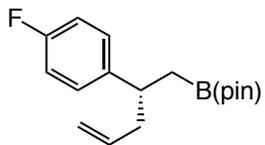




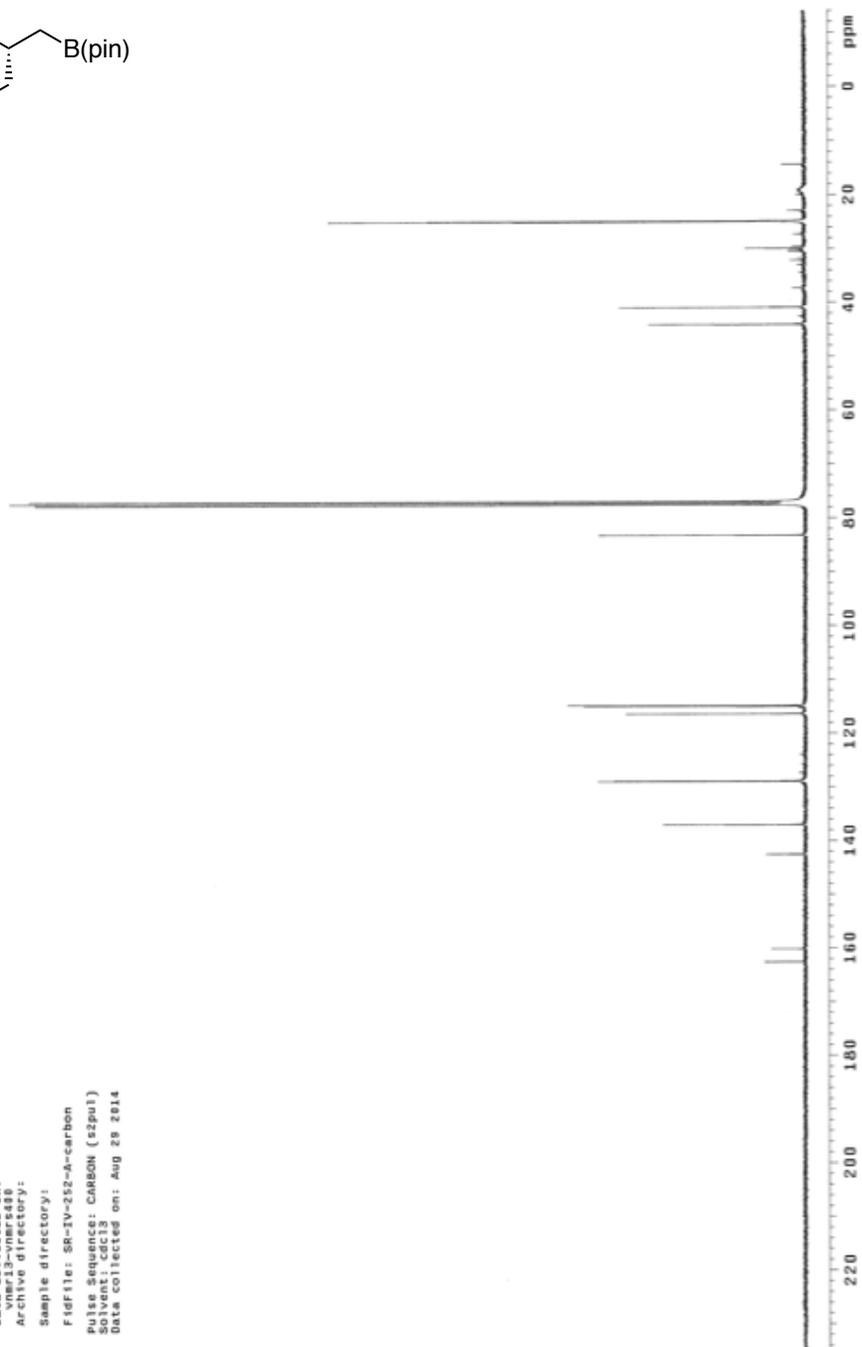
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Data collected on: Aug 29 2014

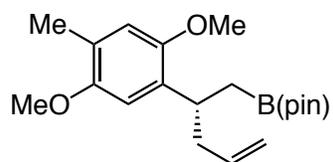




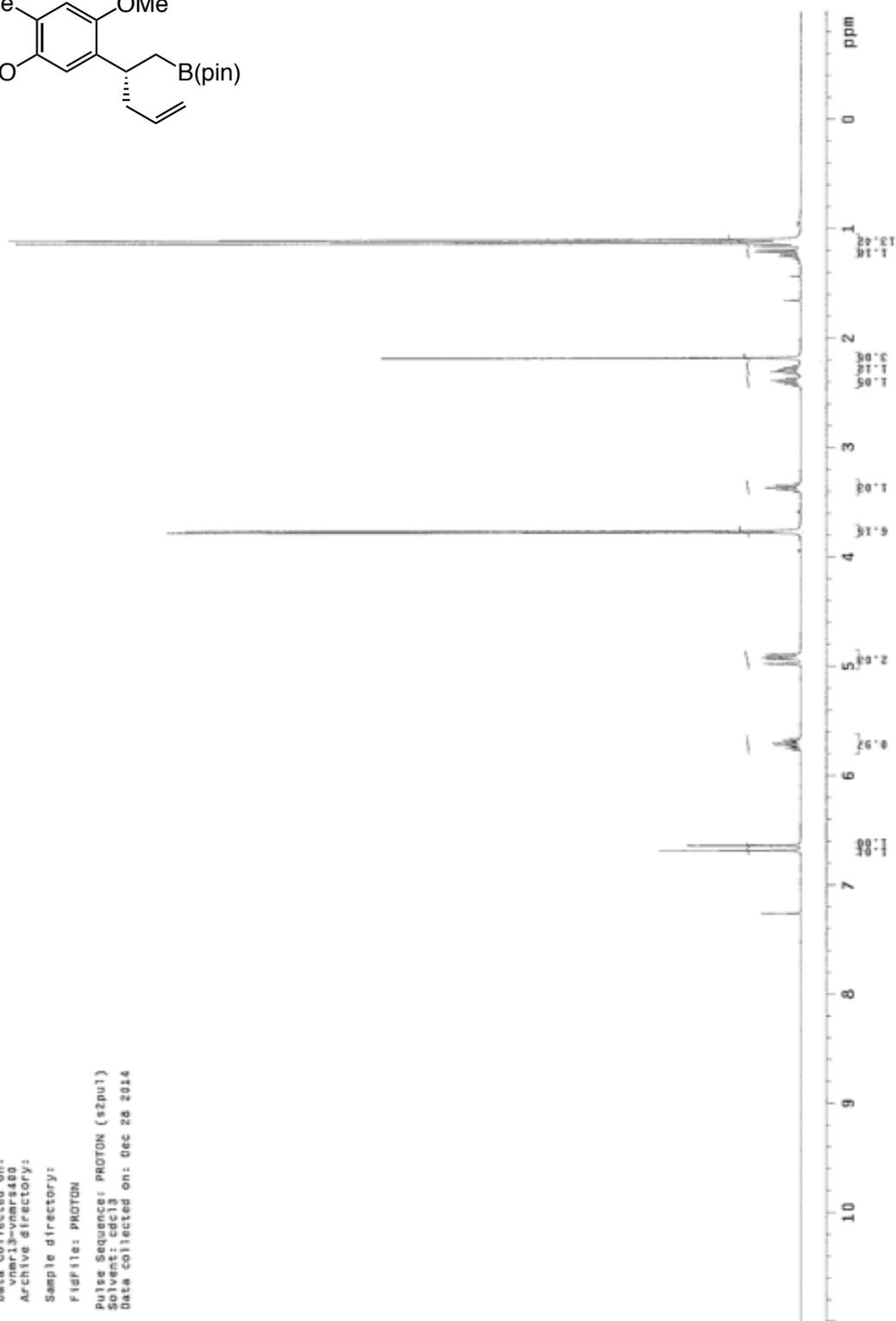


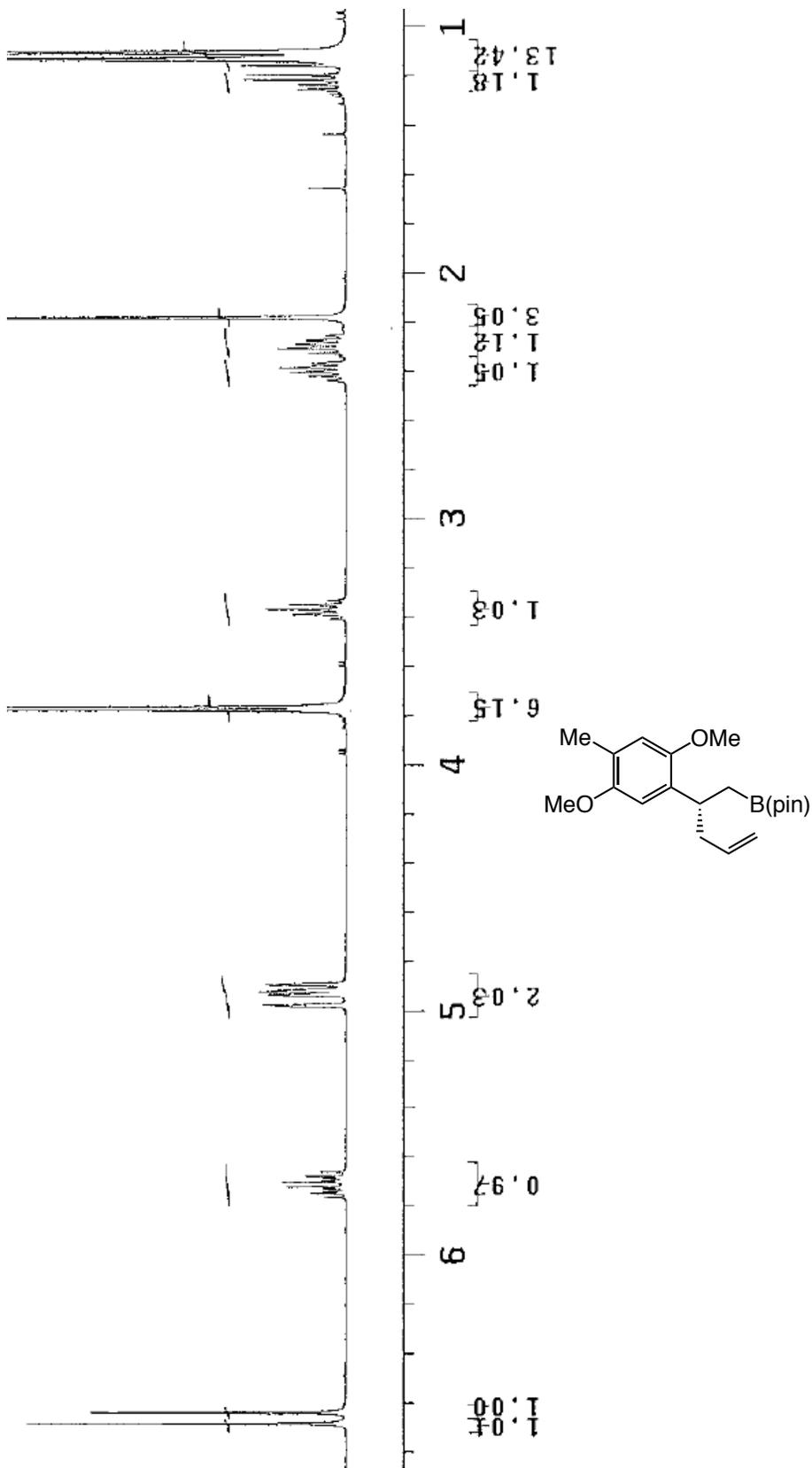
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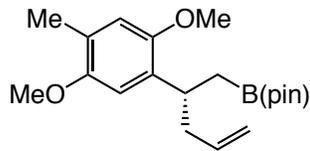




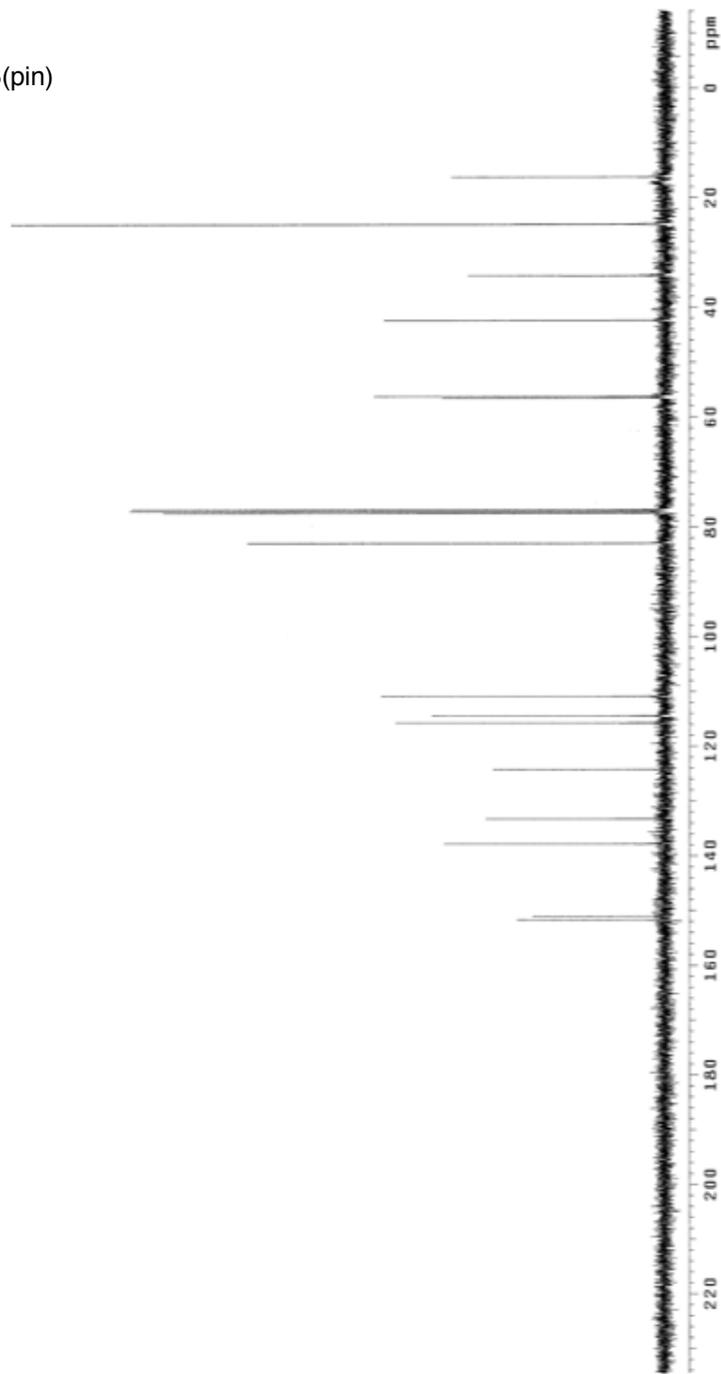
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Data collected on: Dec 28 2014

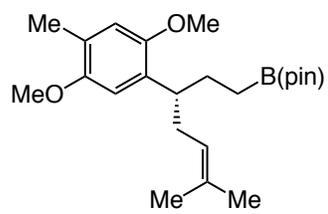
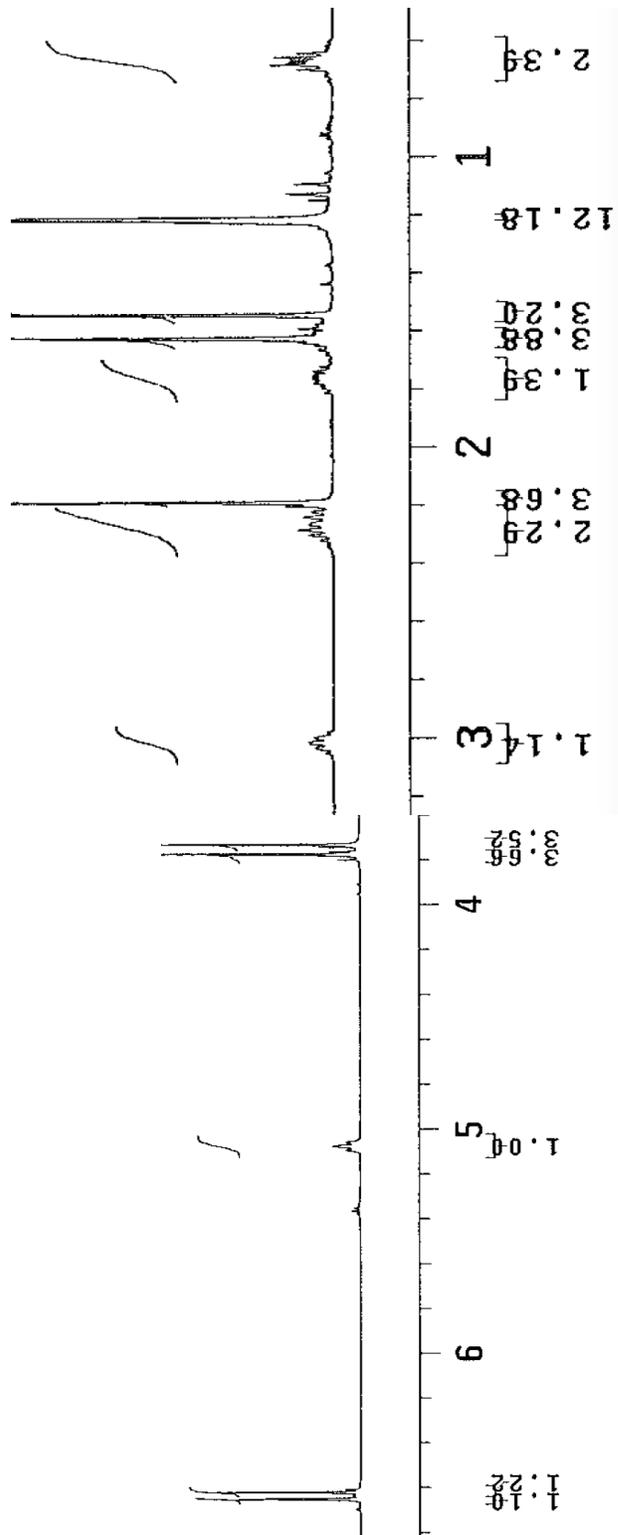


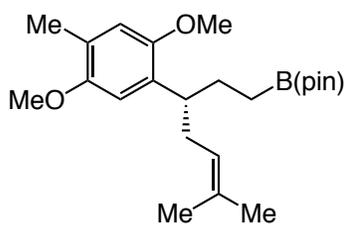




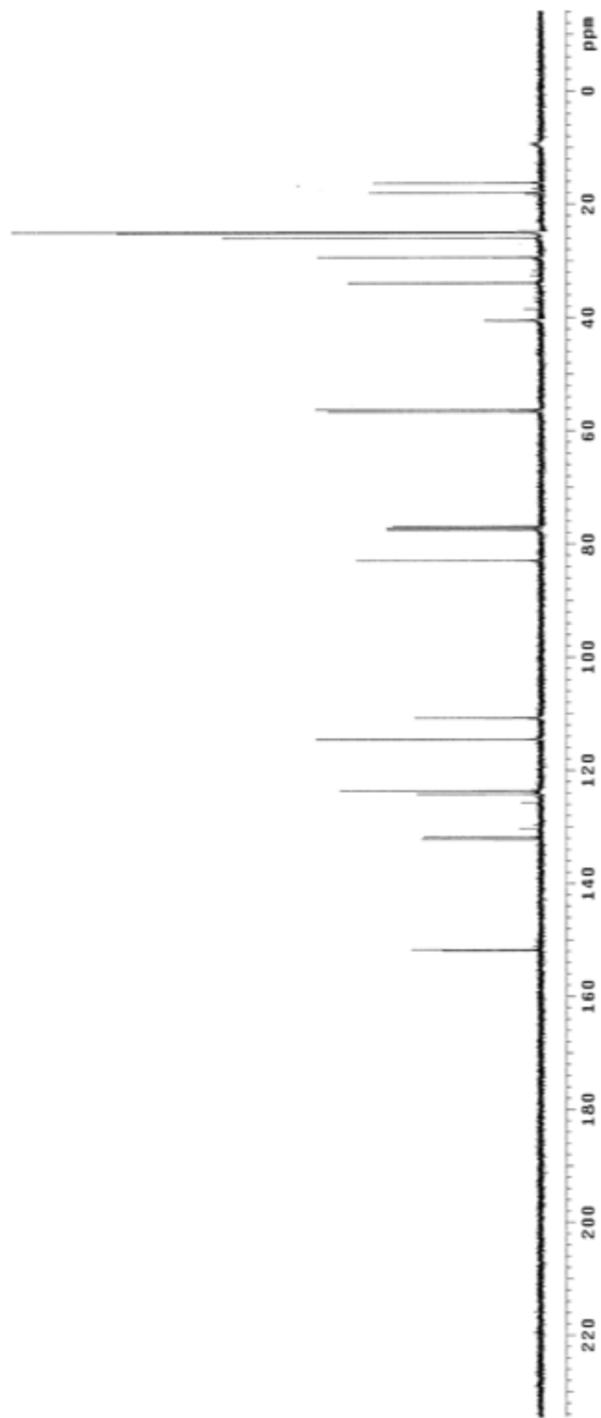
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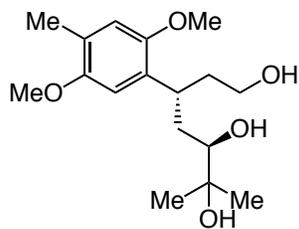




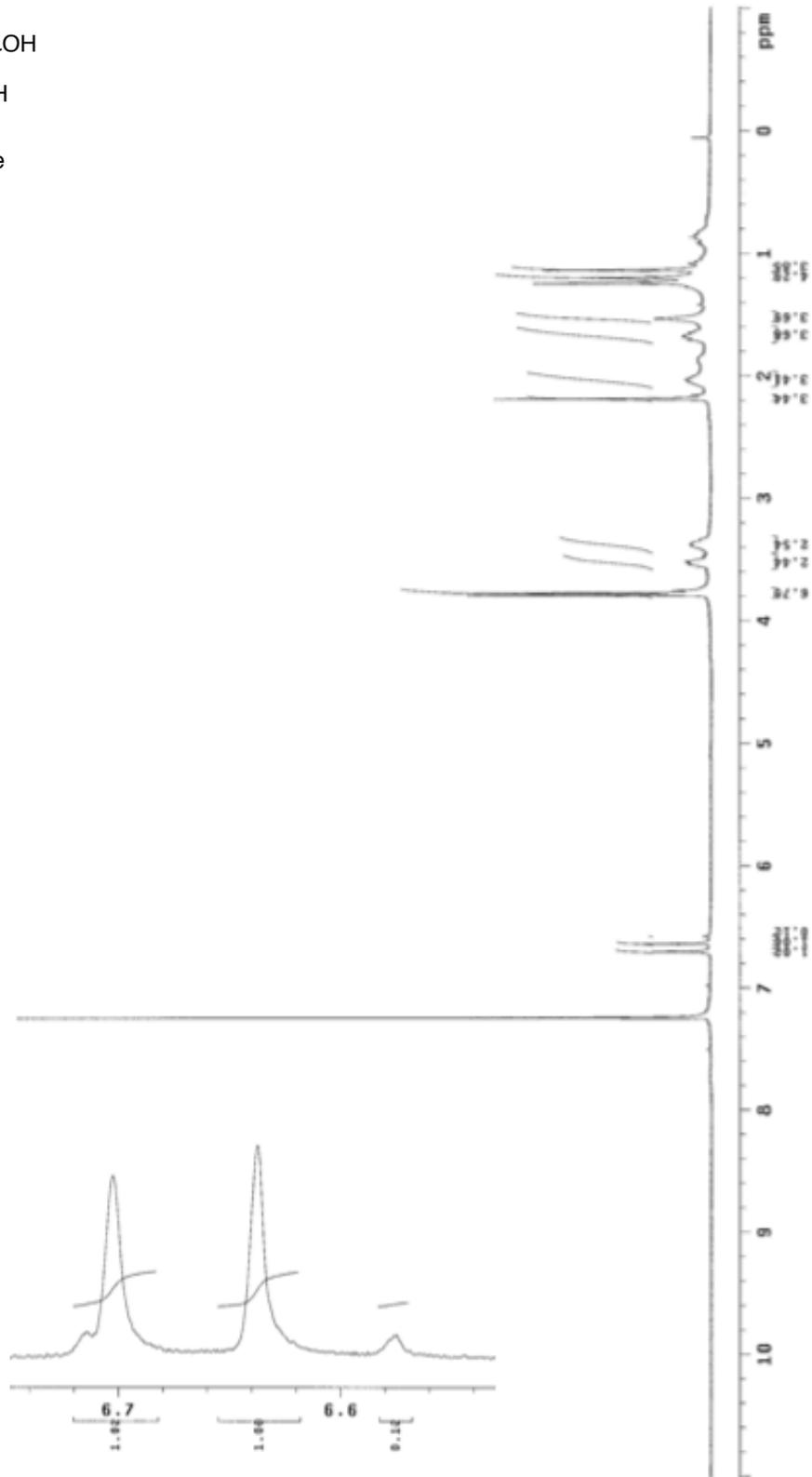


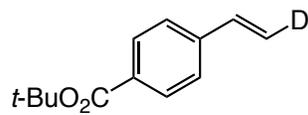
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 Data Collected on: Feb 18 2015



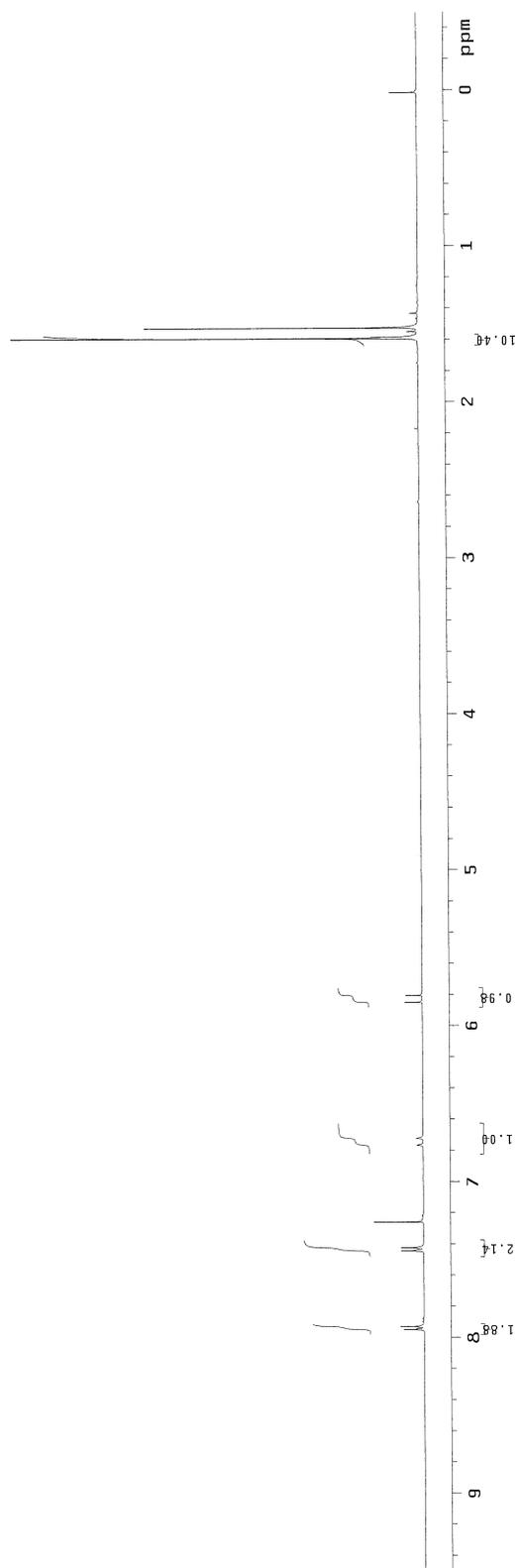


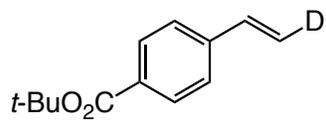
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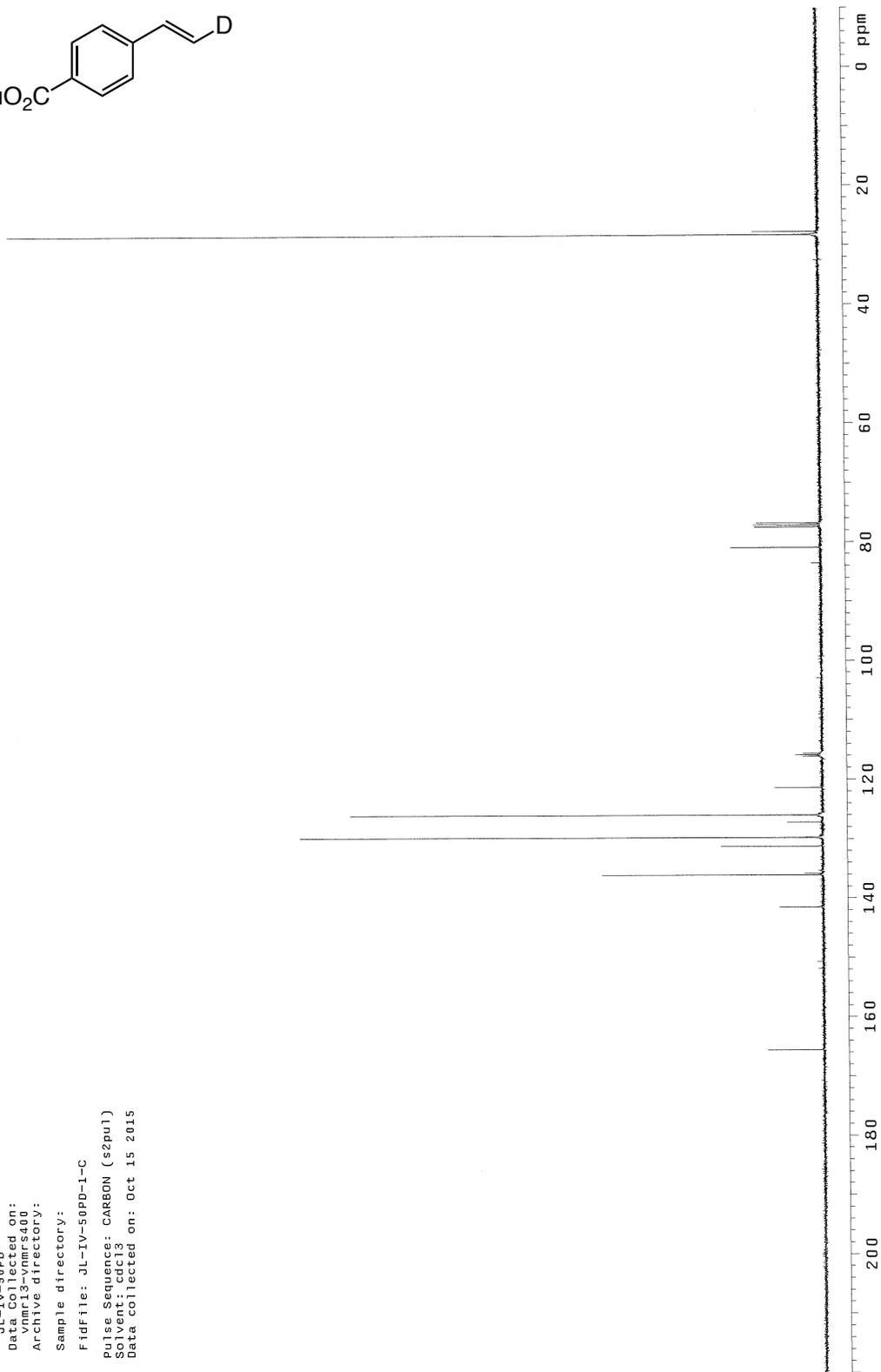


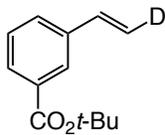
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Archive directory:
Sample directory:
Fidfile: JL-IV-44PD
Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pul)
Solvent: CDCl3
Data collected on: Oct 7 2015





JL-IV-50PD
Sample Name:
JL-IV-50PD
Data collected on:
Oct 15 2015 16:40
Archive directory:
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Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Oct 15 2015





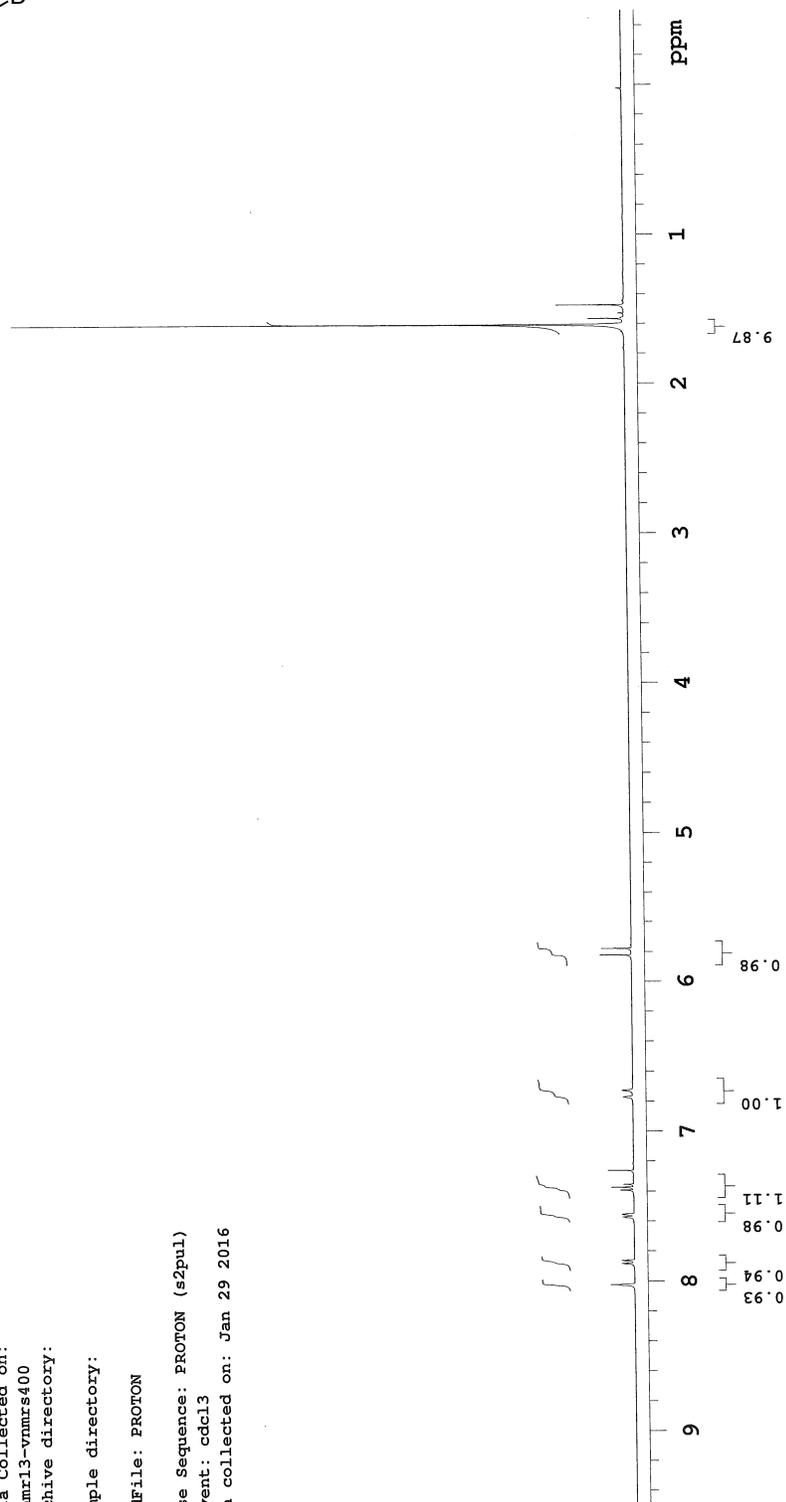
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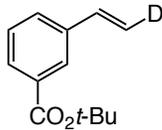
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Sample directory:

File: PROTON

Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pul)
 Solvent: cdcl3
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JL-IV-179PD-C

Sample Name:

JL-IV-179PD-C

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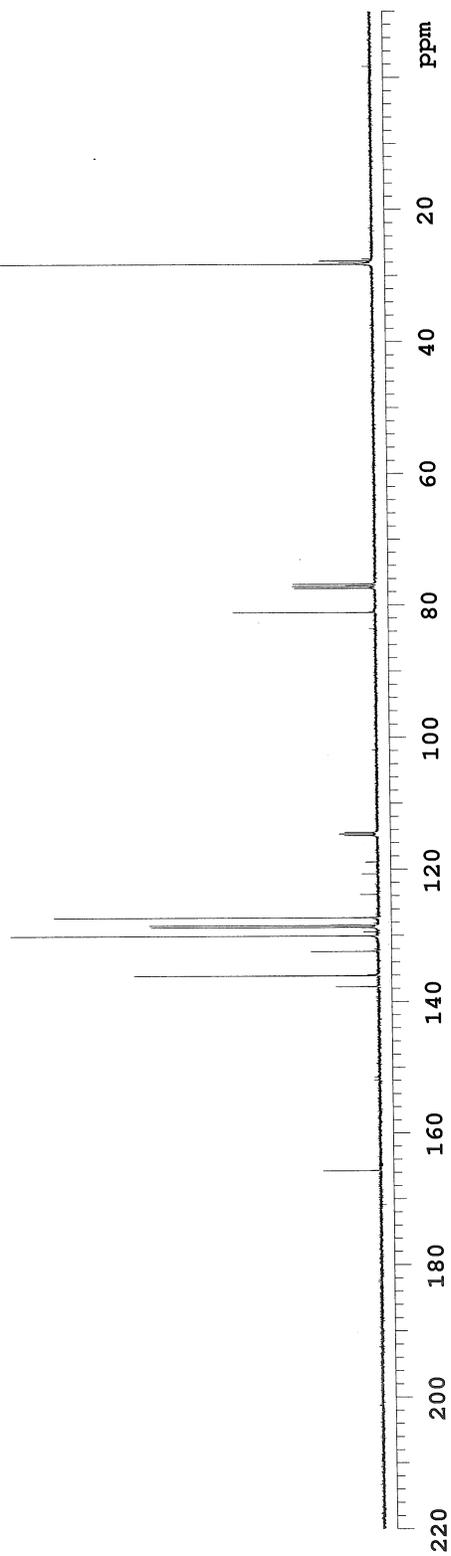
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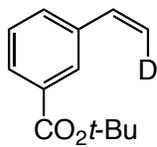
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Data collected on: Jan 30 2016





JL-IV-180PD

Sample Name:

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Data Collected on:

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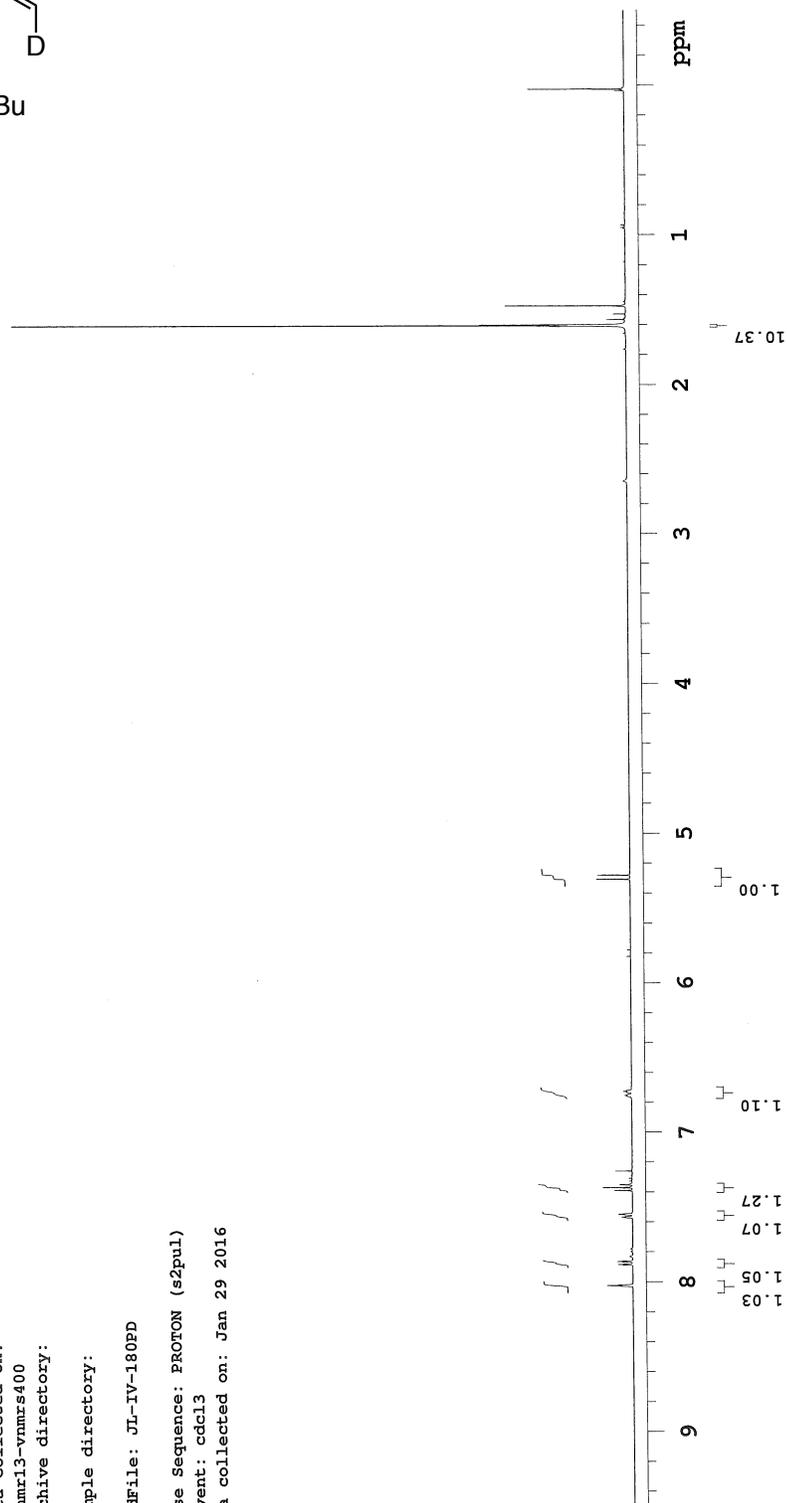
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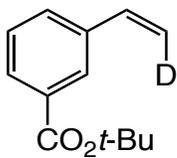
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Solvent: cdcl3

Data collected on: Jan 29 2016





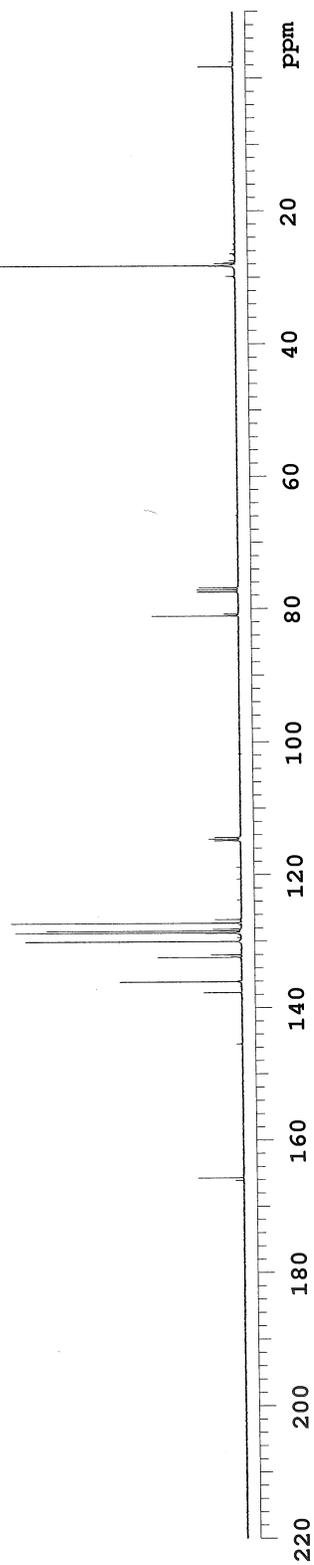
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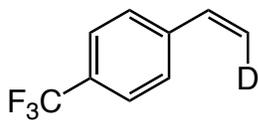
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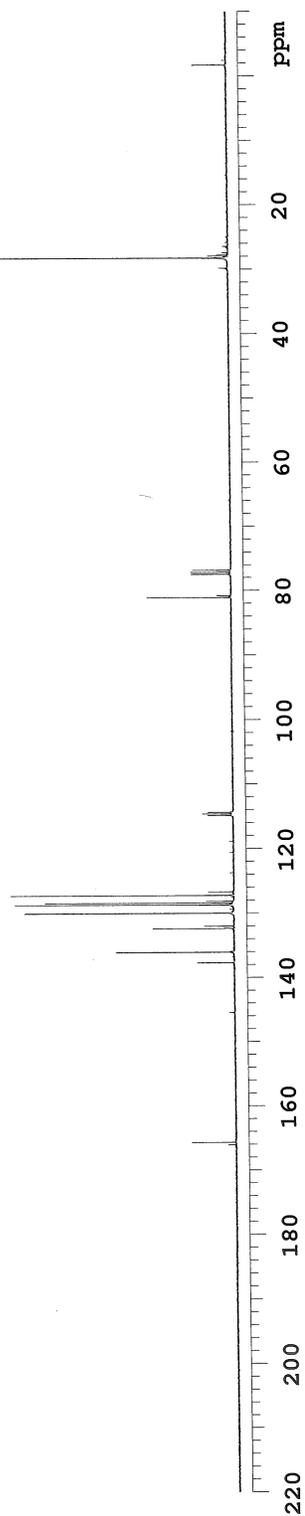
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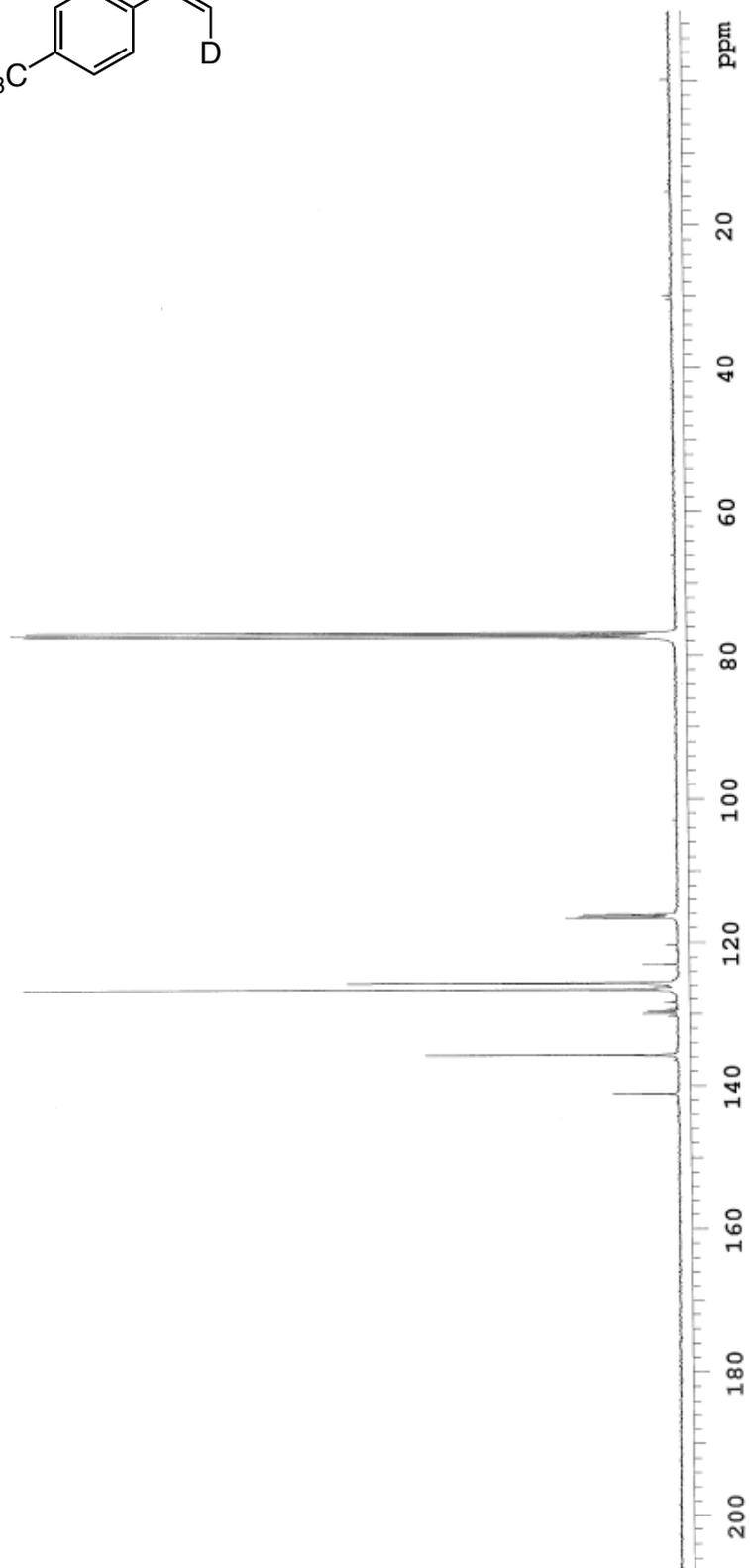
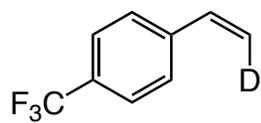
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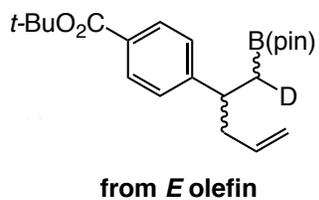
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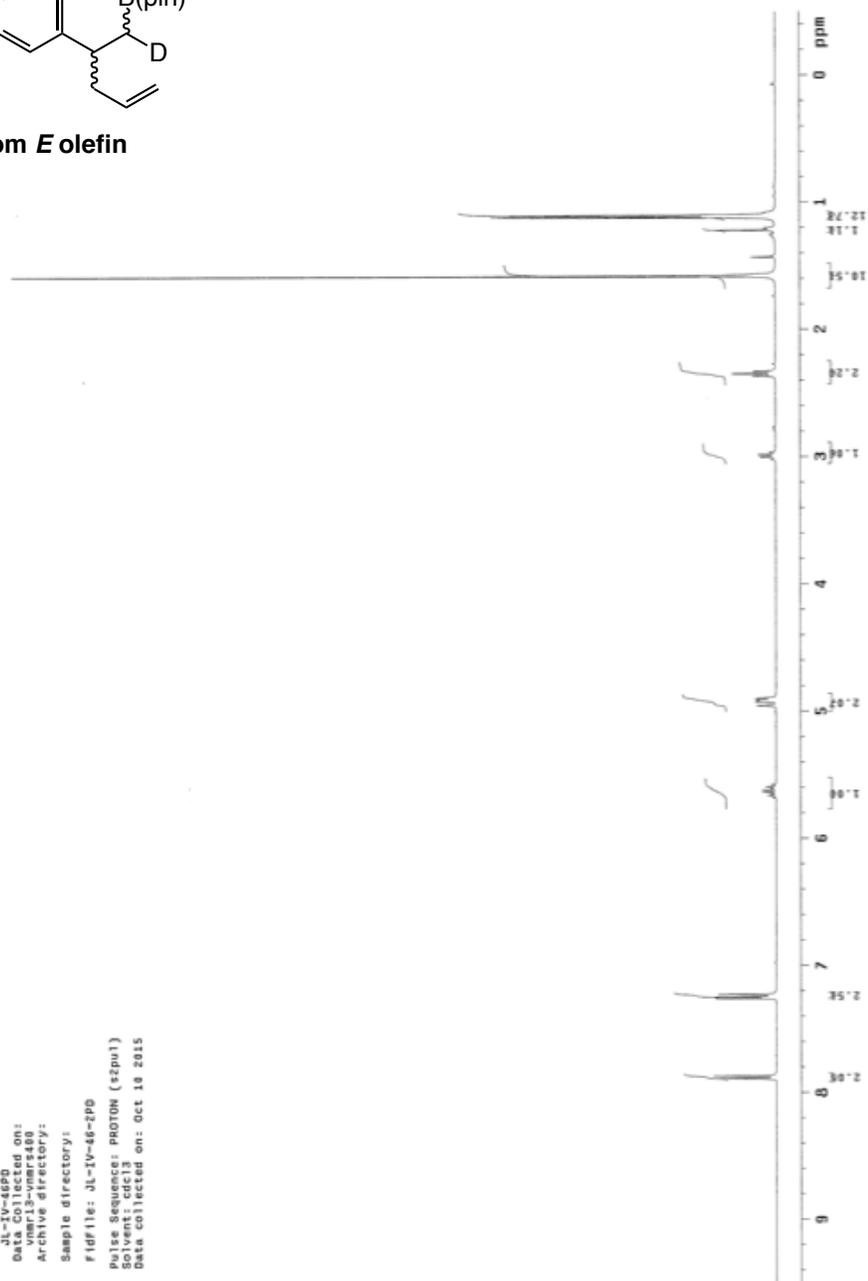
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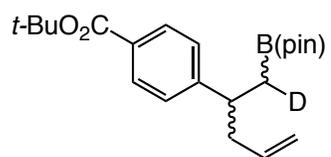
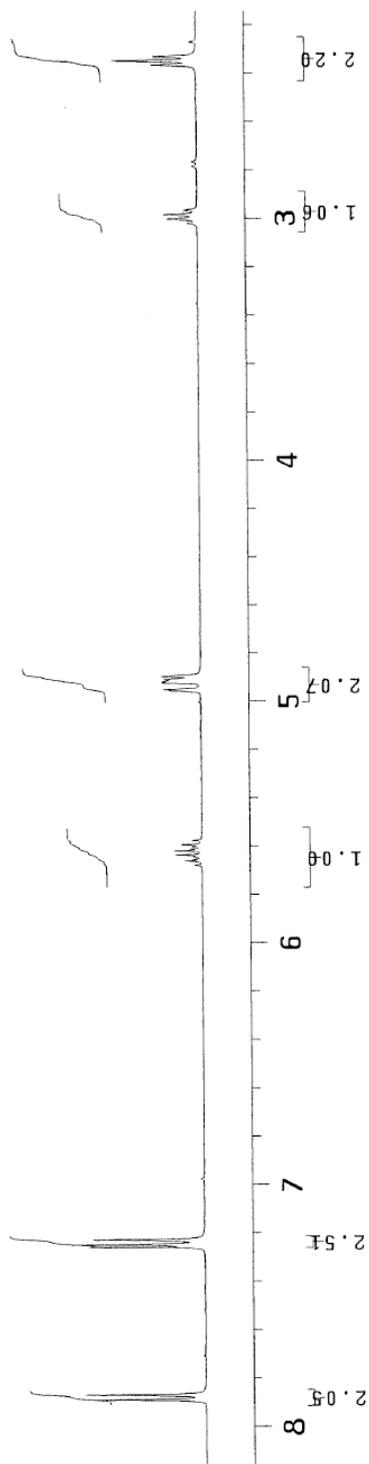




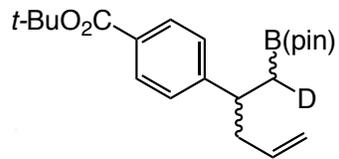


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 Data Collected on:
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 F1dfile: JL-IV-46-2PD
 Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pu1)
 Solvent: cdcl3
 Data collected on: Oct 18 2015



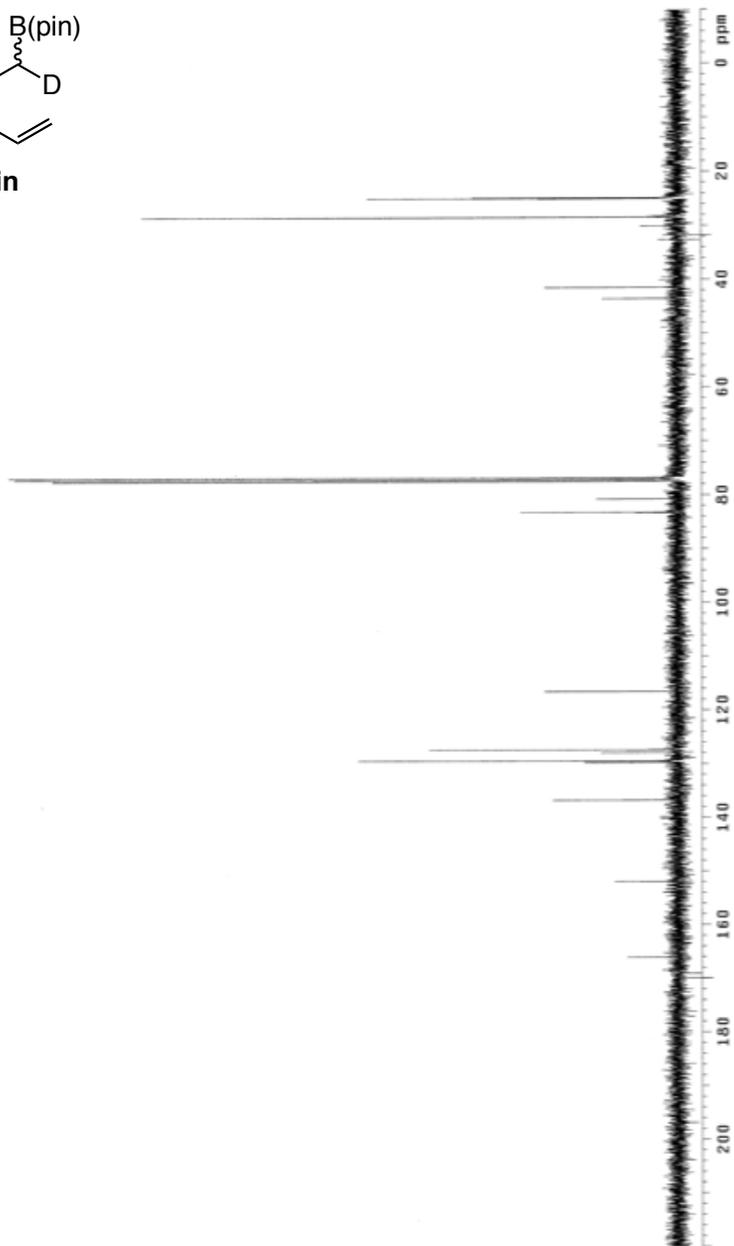


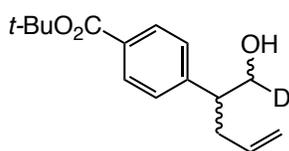
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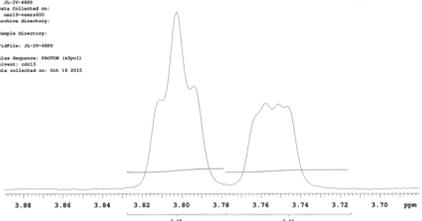
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 Data Collected on:
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 Solvent: cdcl3
 Data collected on: Oct 10 2015



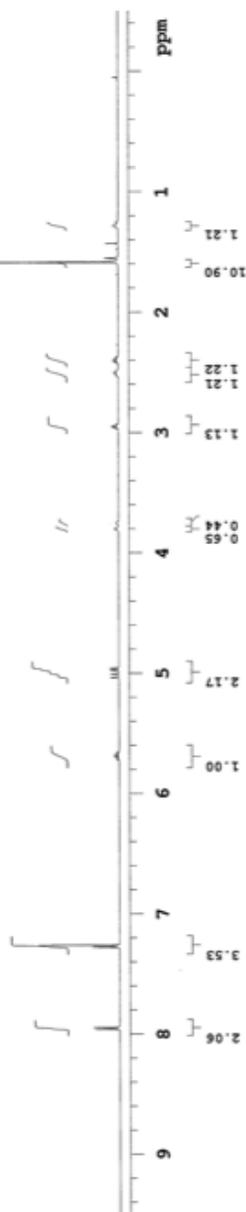


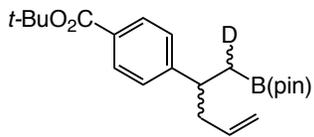
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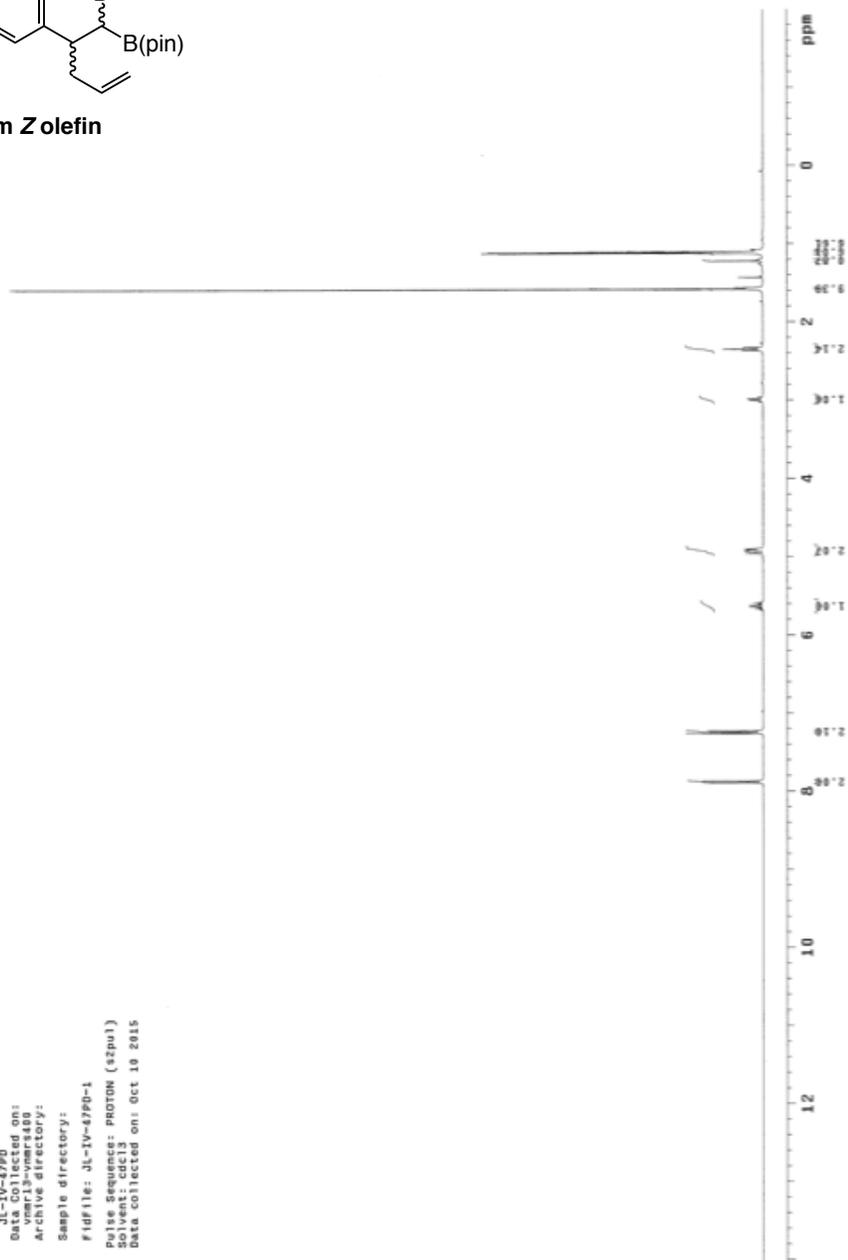
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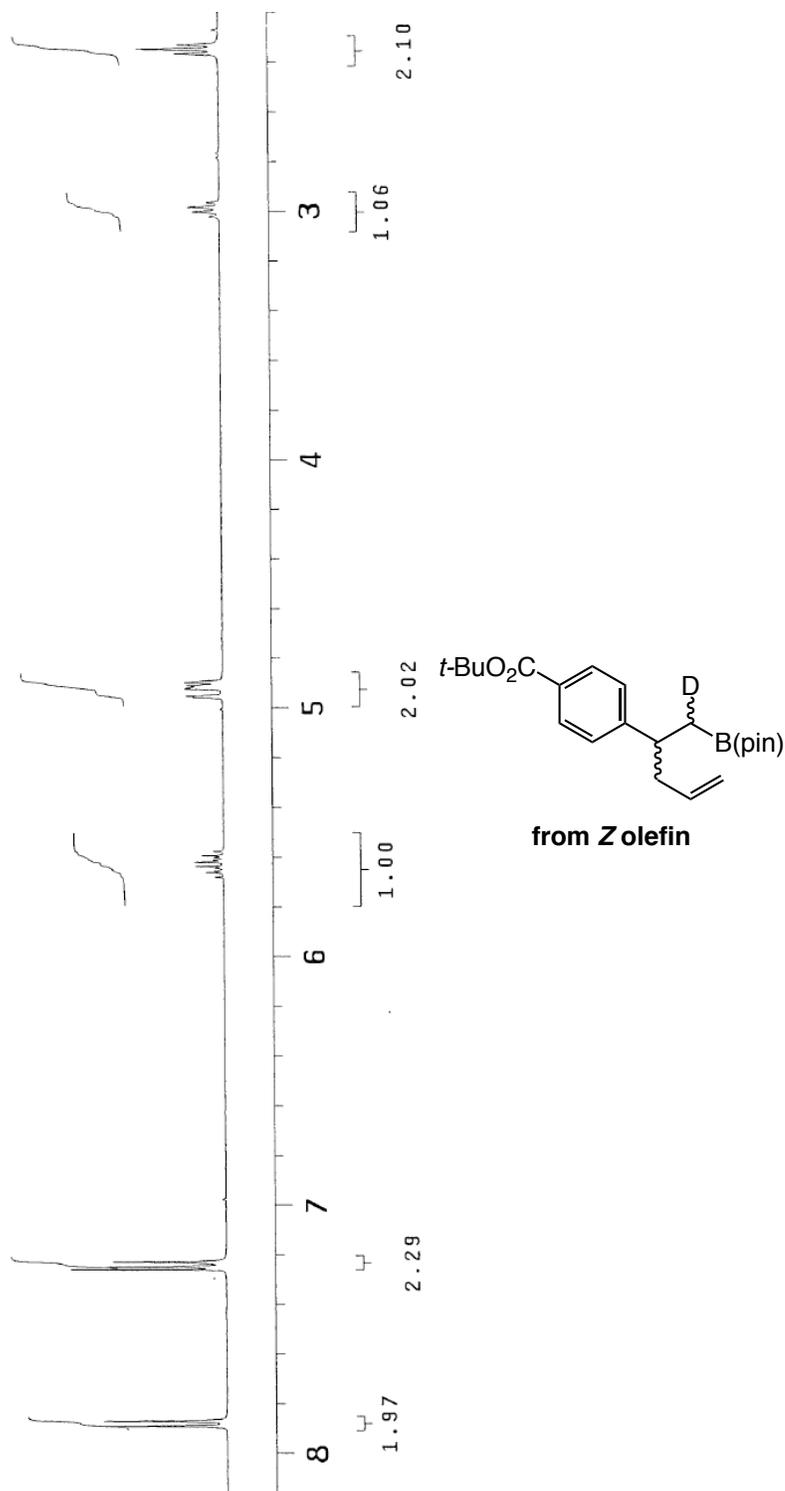


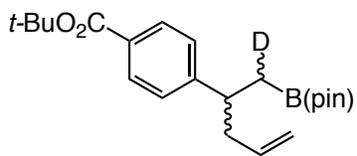


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 Data Collected on:
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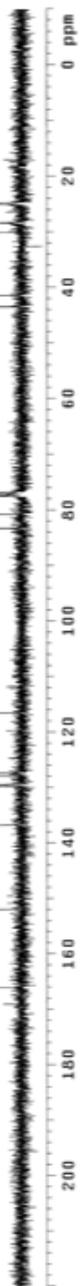


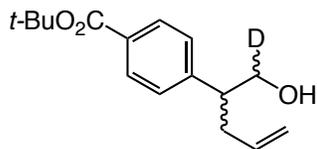




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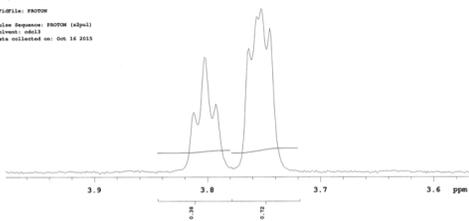
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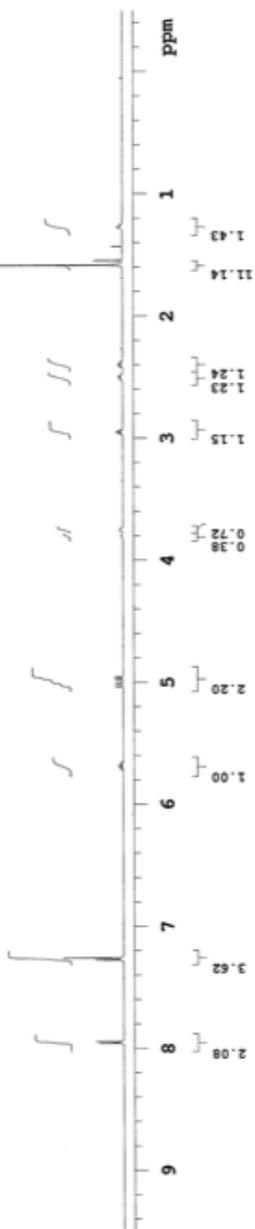


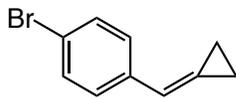
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Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Oct 16 2015



Sample Name:
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Data Collected on:
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Archive directory:
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Data collected on: Oct 16 2015





JL-IV-57FD

Sample Name:

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Data Collected on:

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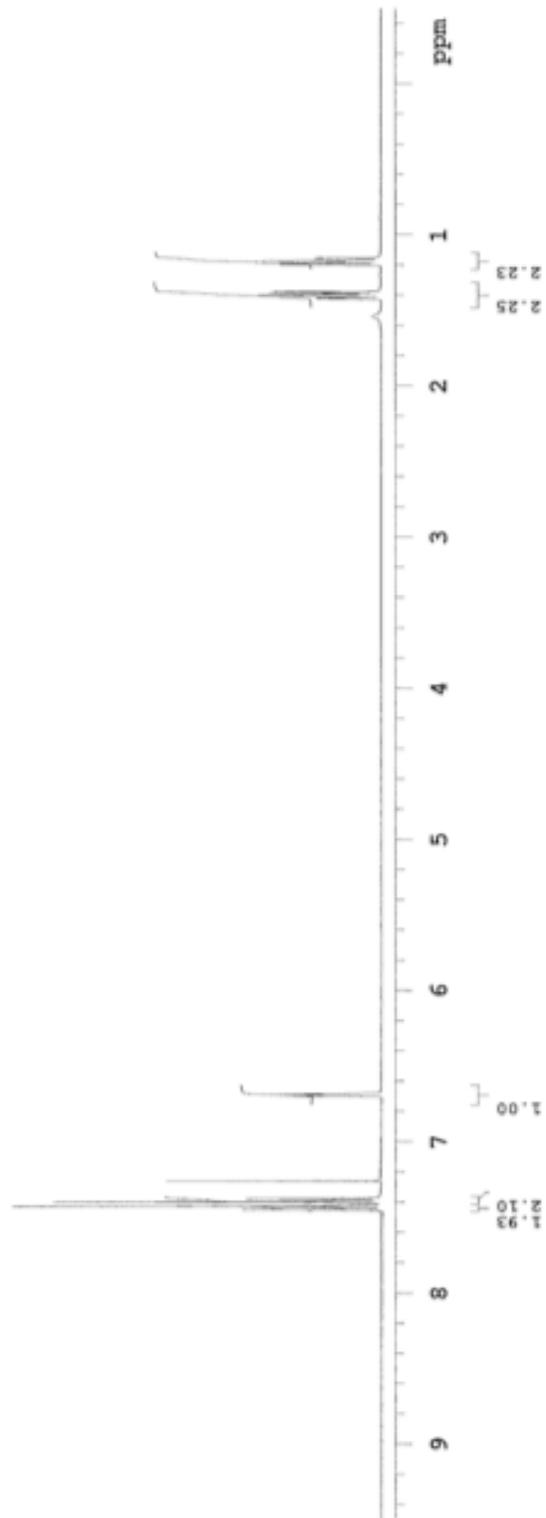
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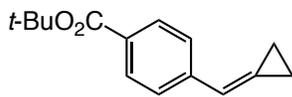
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Data Collected on:

vnmr13-vnmrs400

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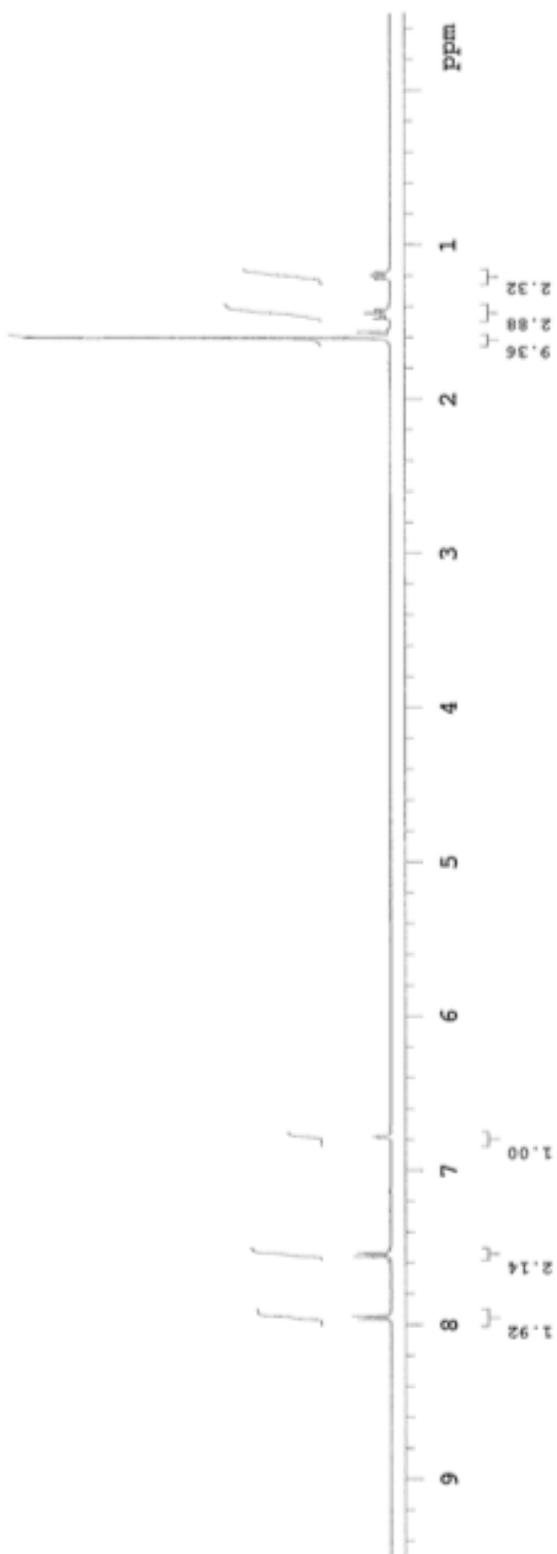
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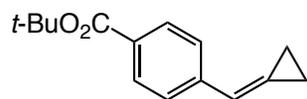
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Solvent: cdcl3

Data collected on: Nov 5 2015





JL-IV-67CD

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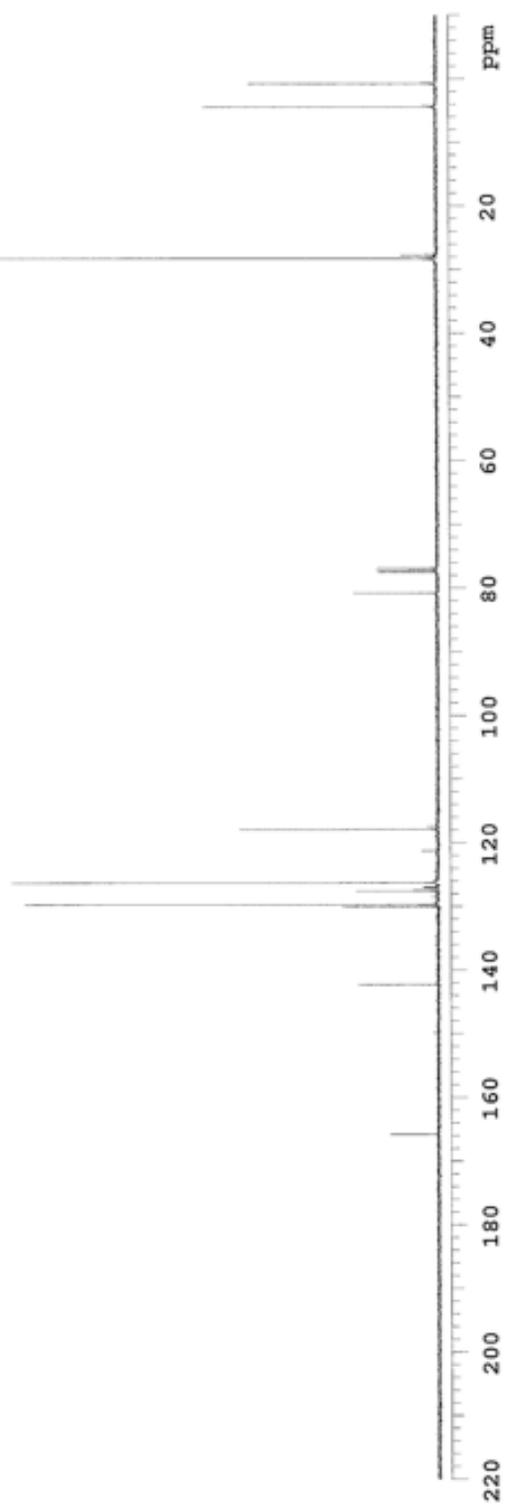
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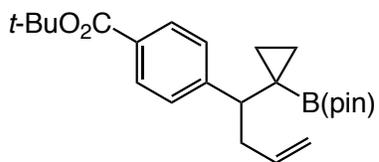
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Solvent: cdcl3

Data collected on: Nov 5 2015





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Data Collected on:

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Archive directory:

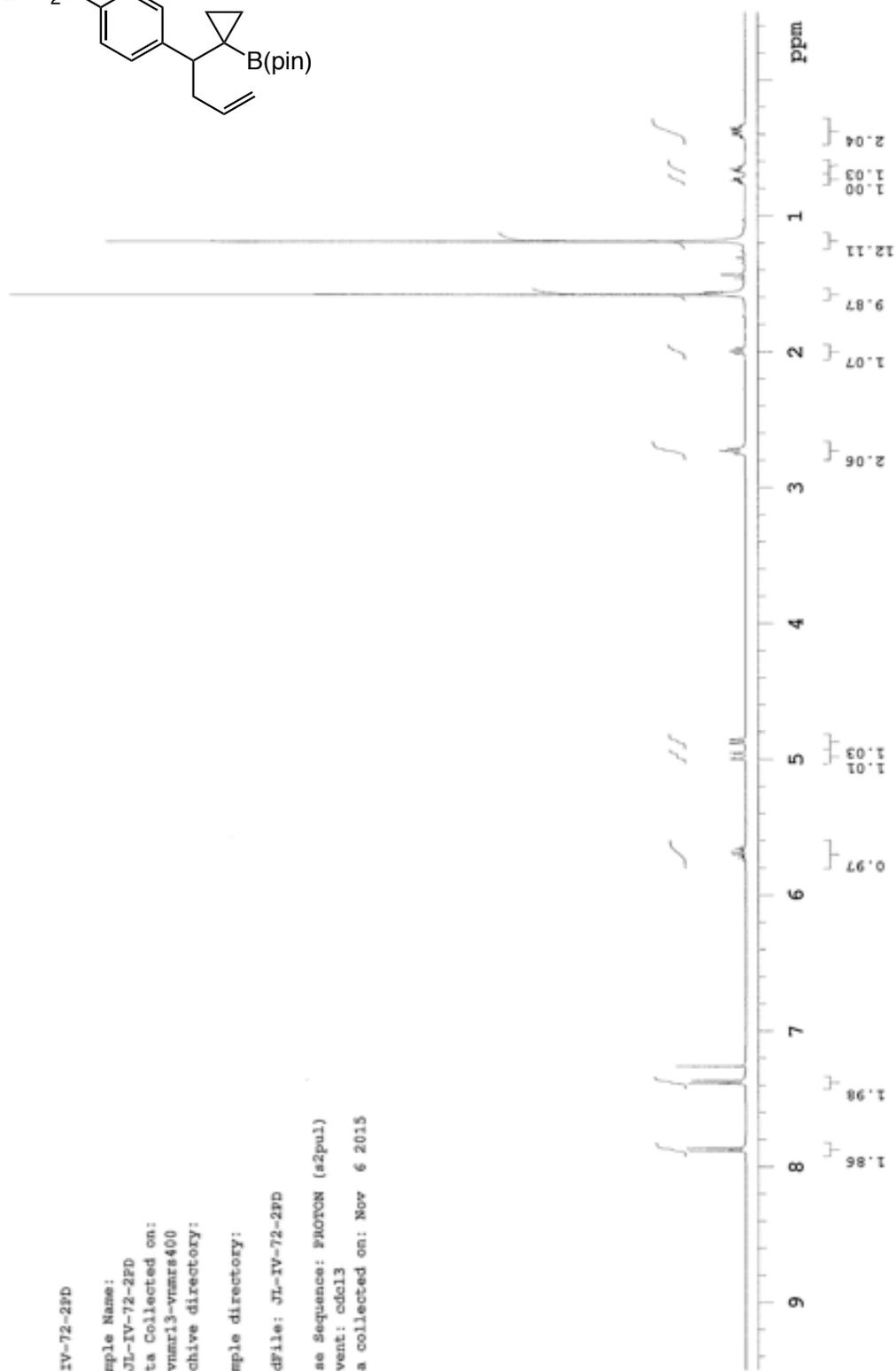
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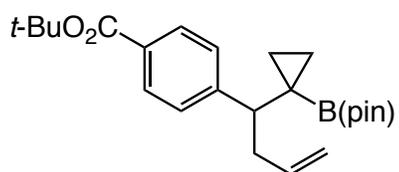
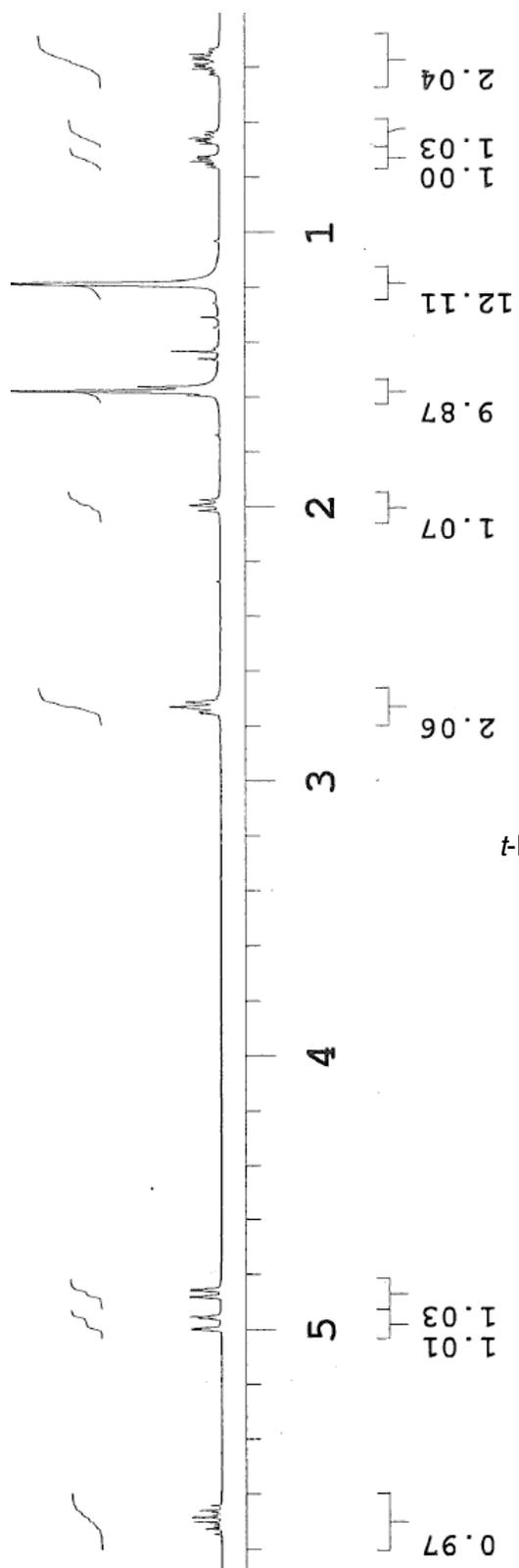
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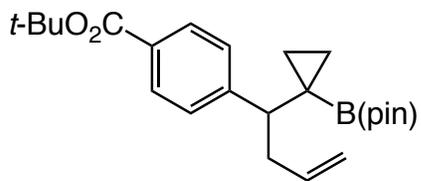
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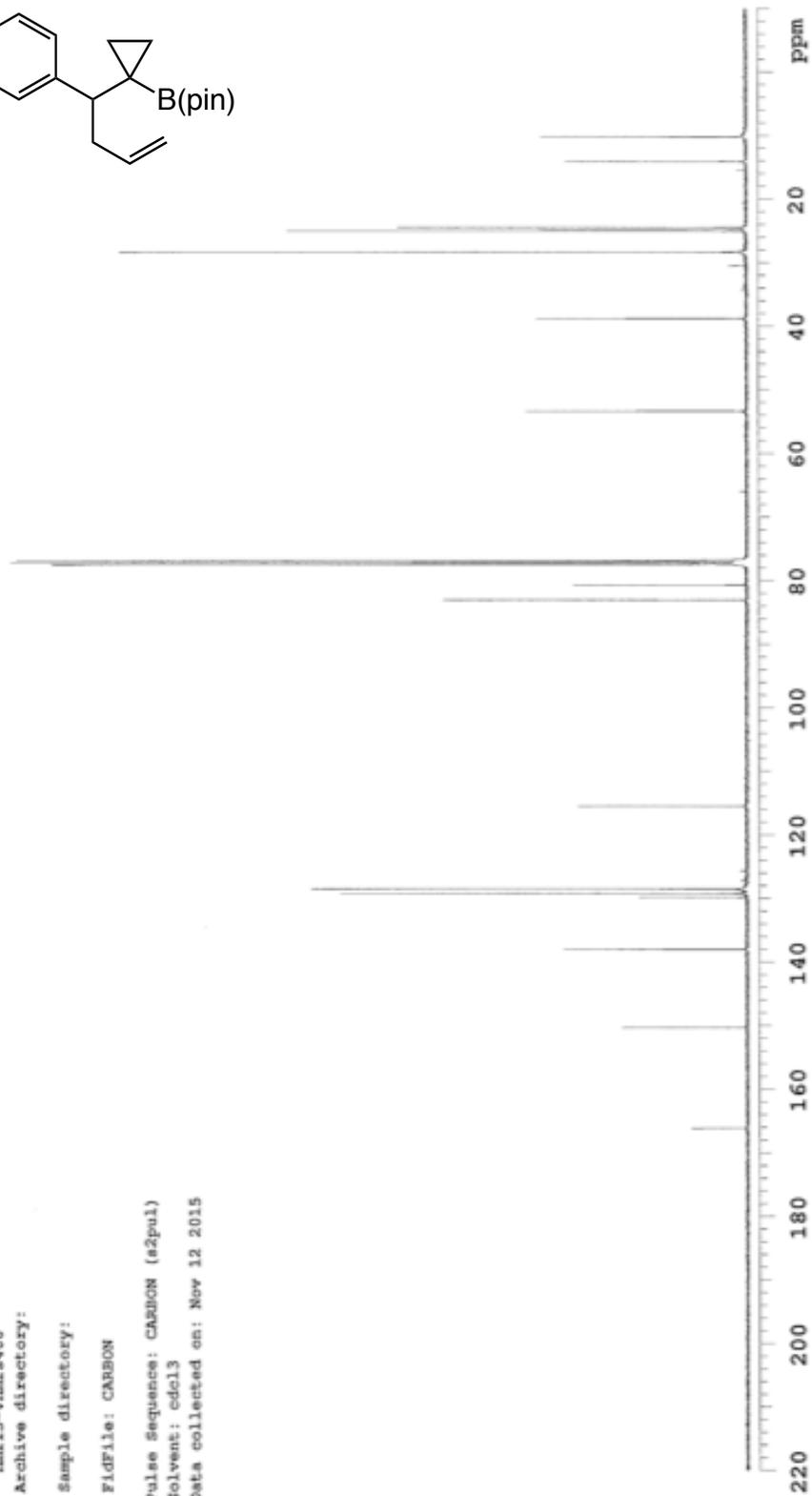
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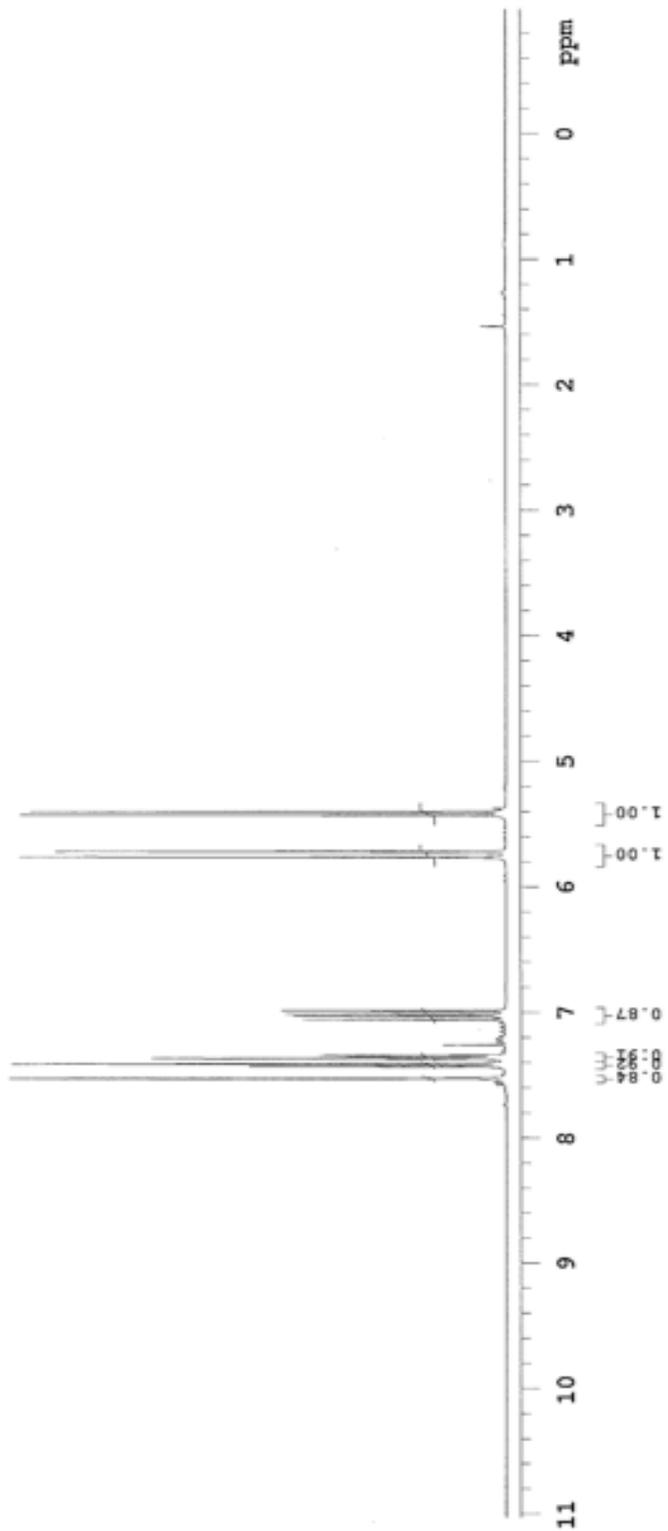
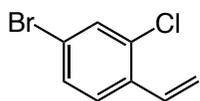
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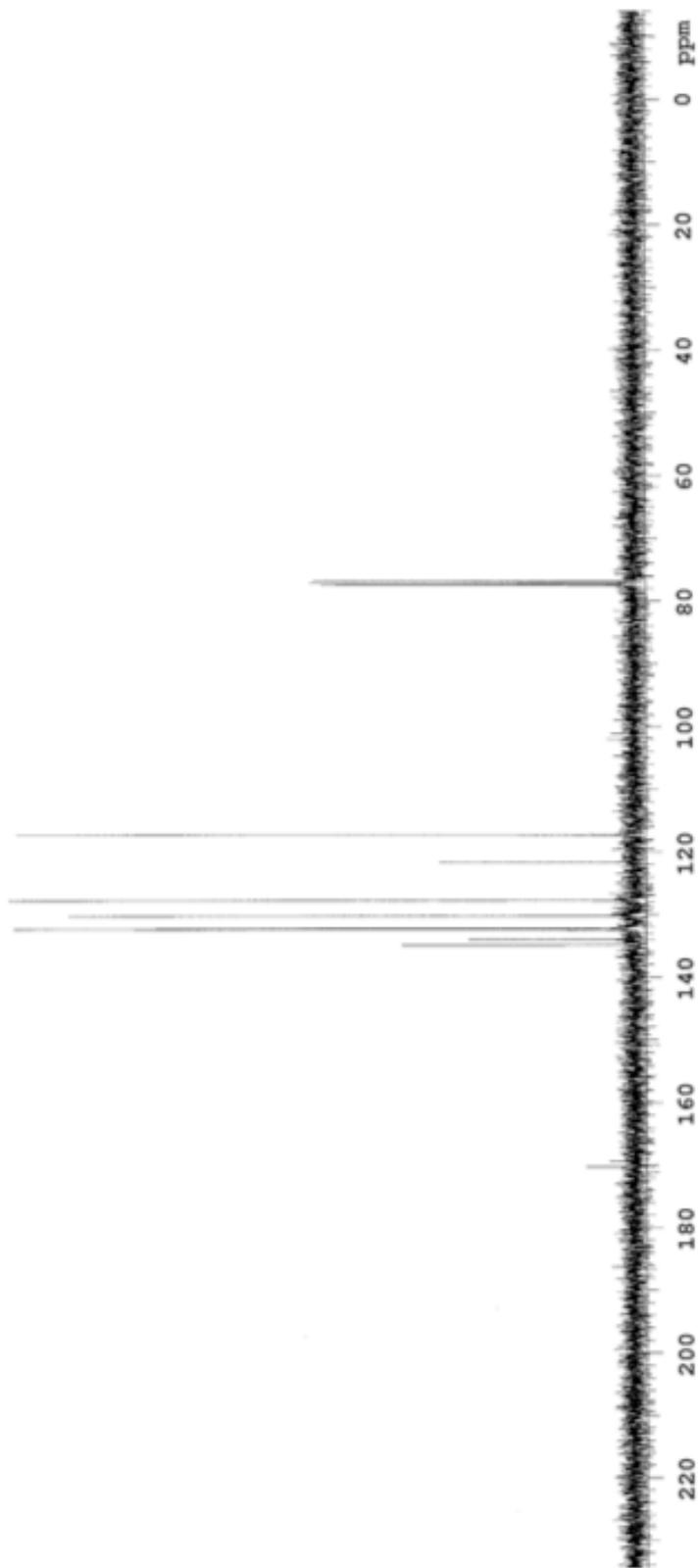
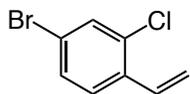
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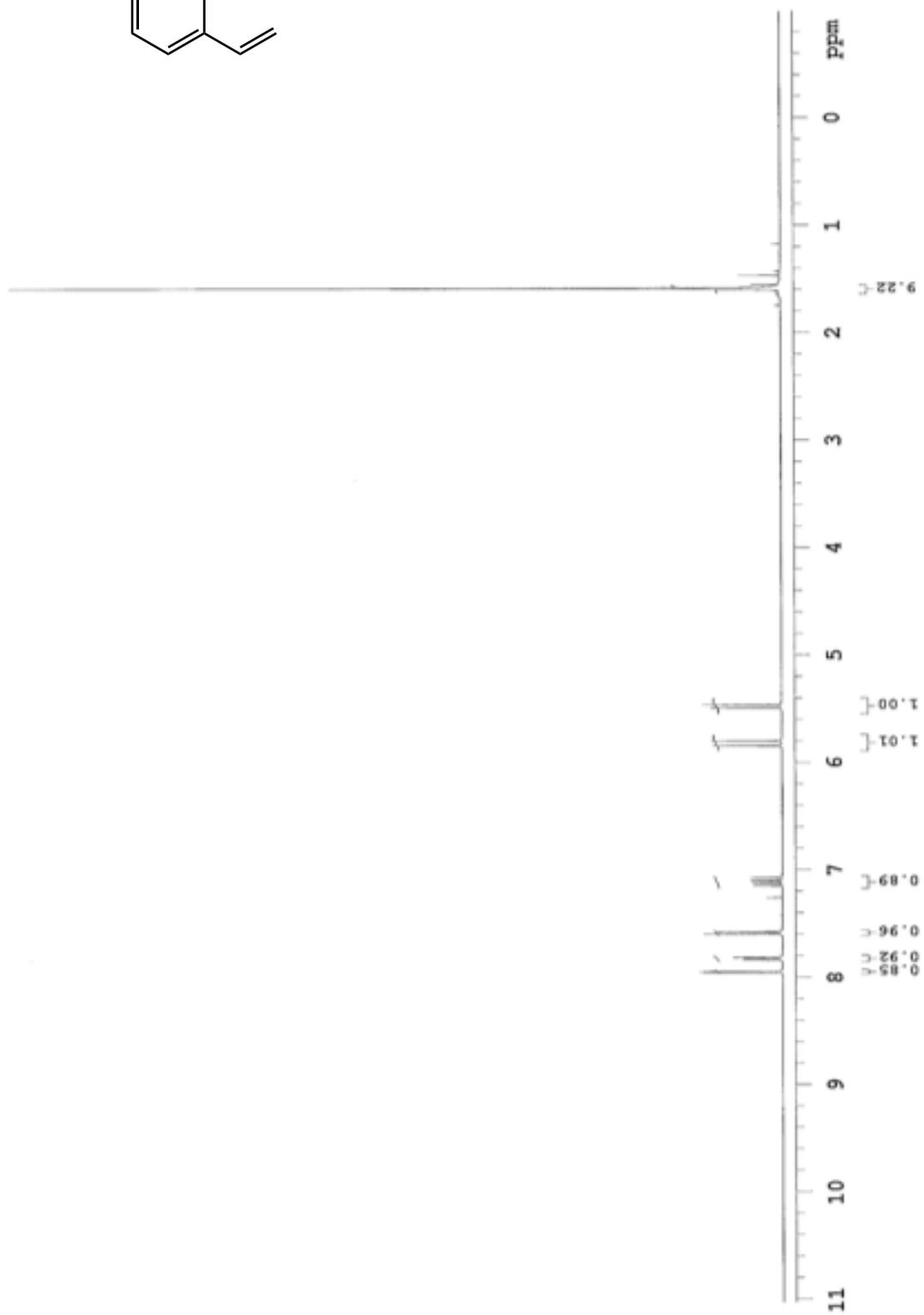
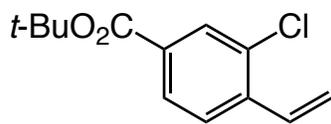
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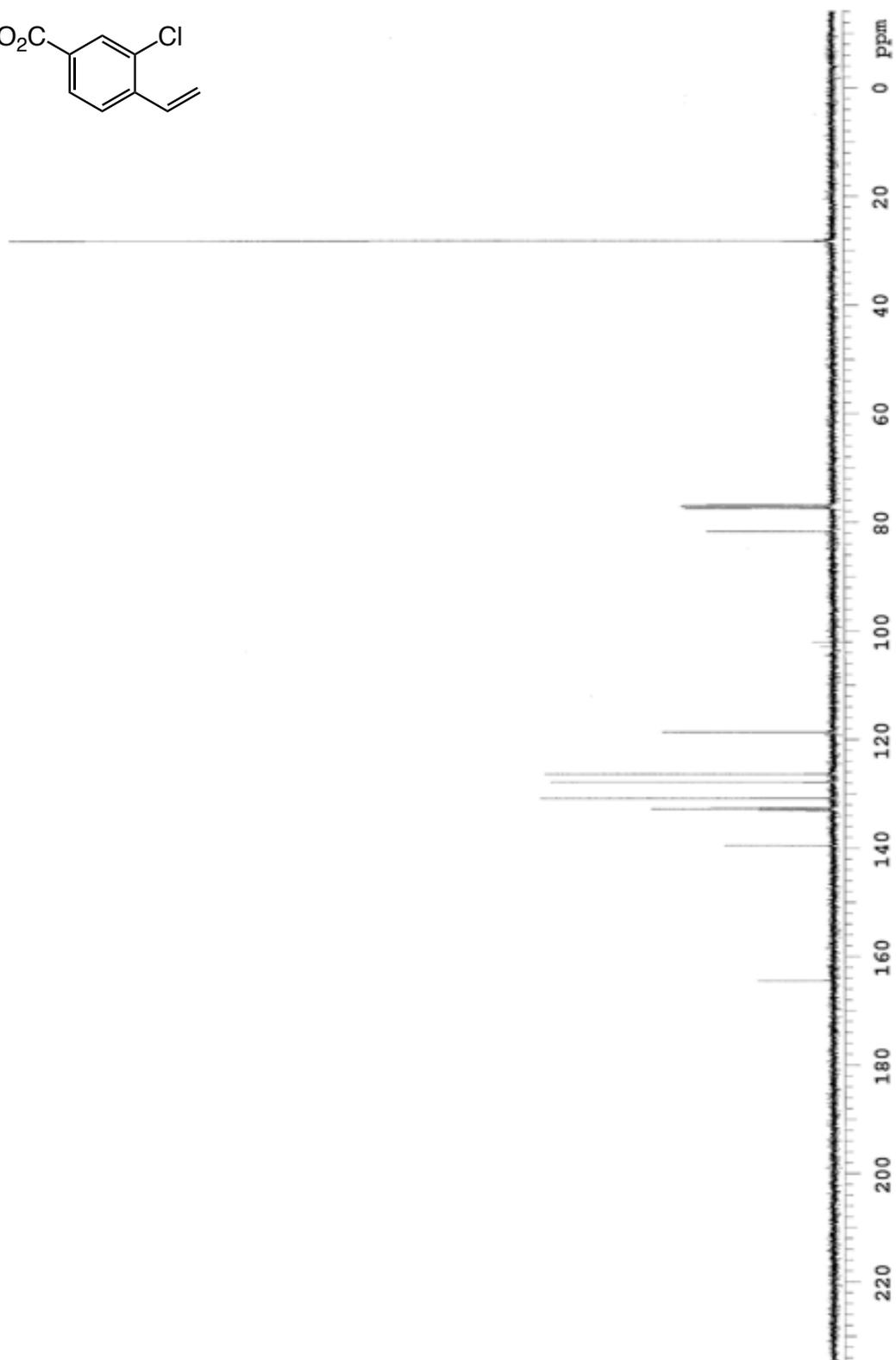
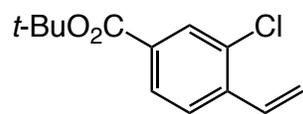
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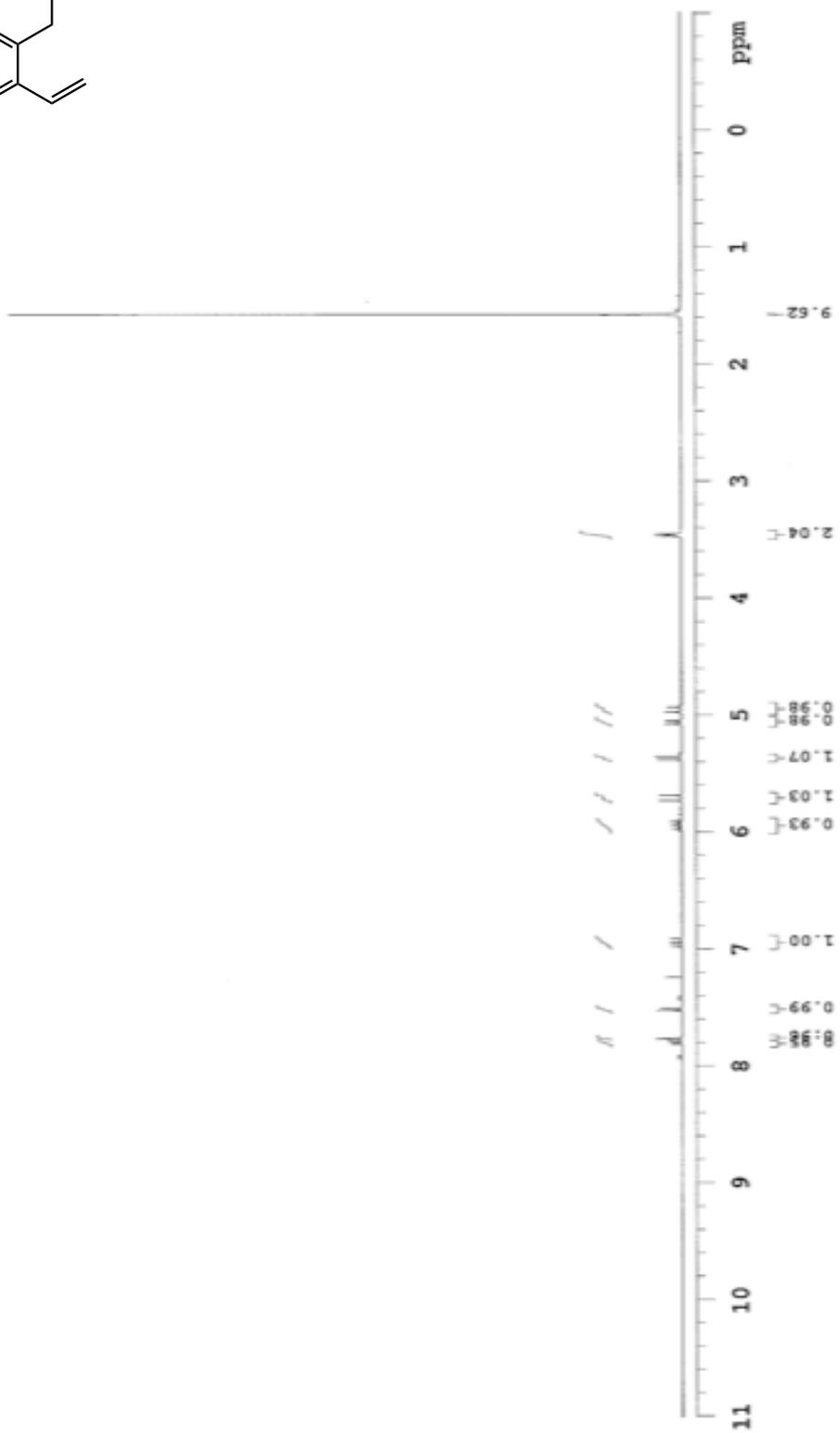
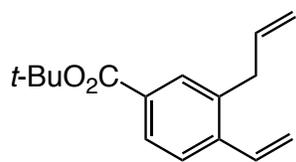


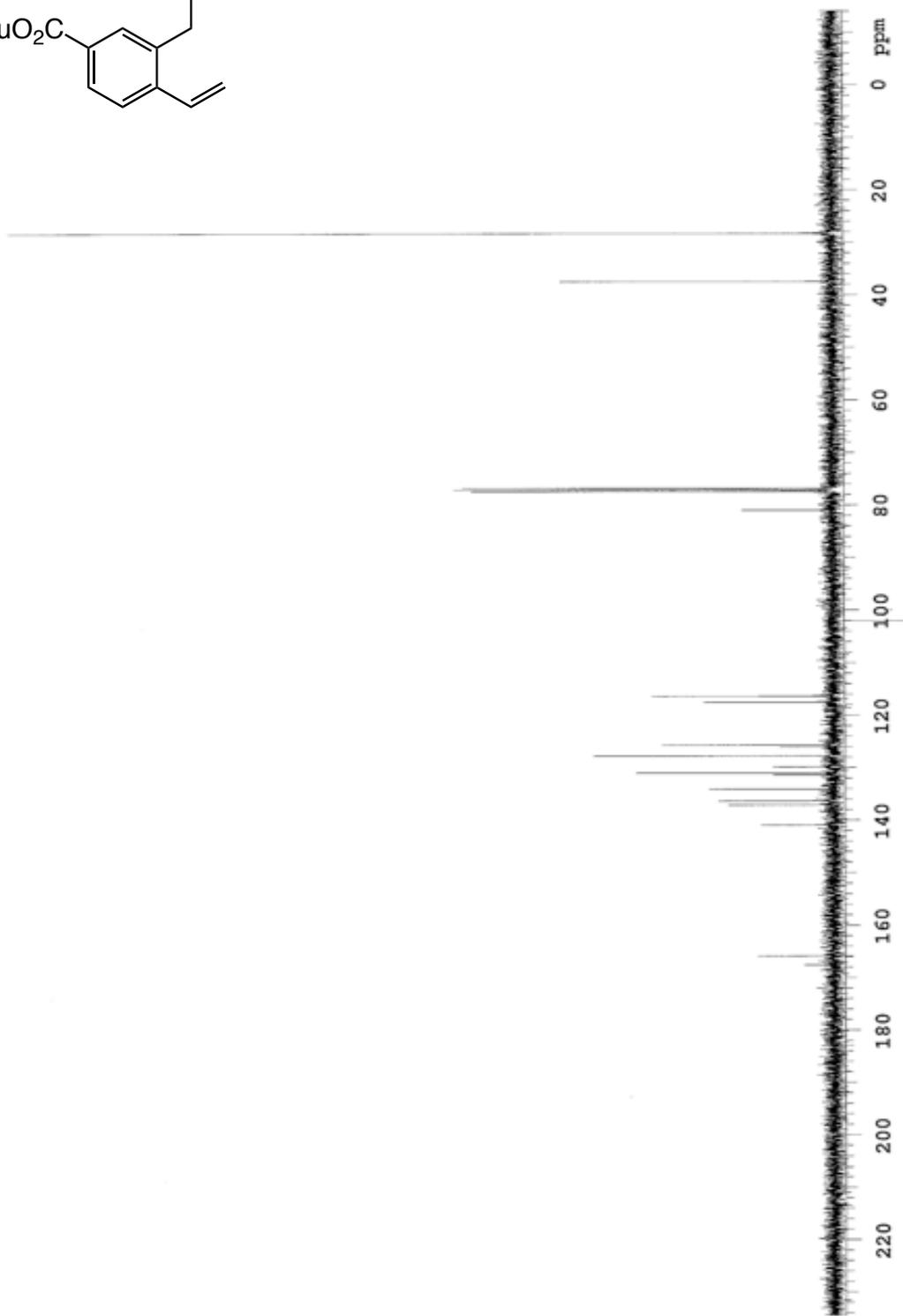
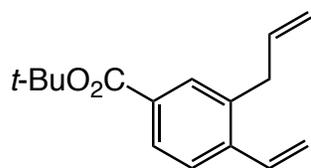


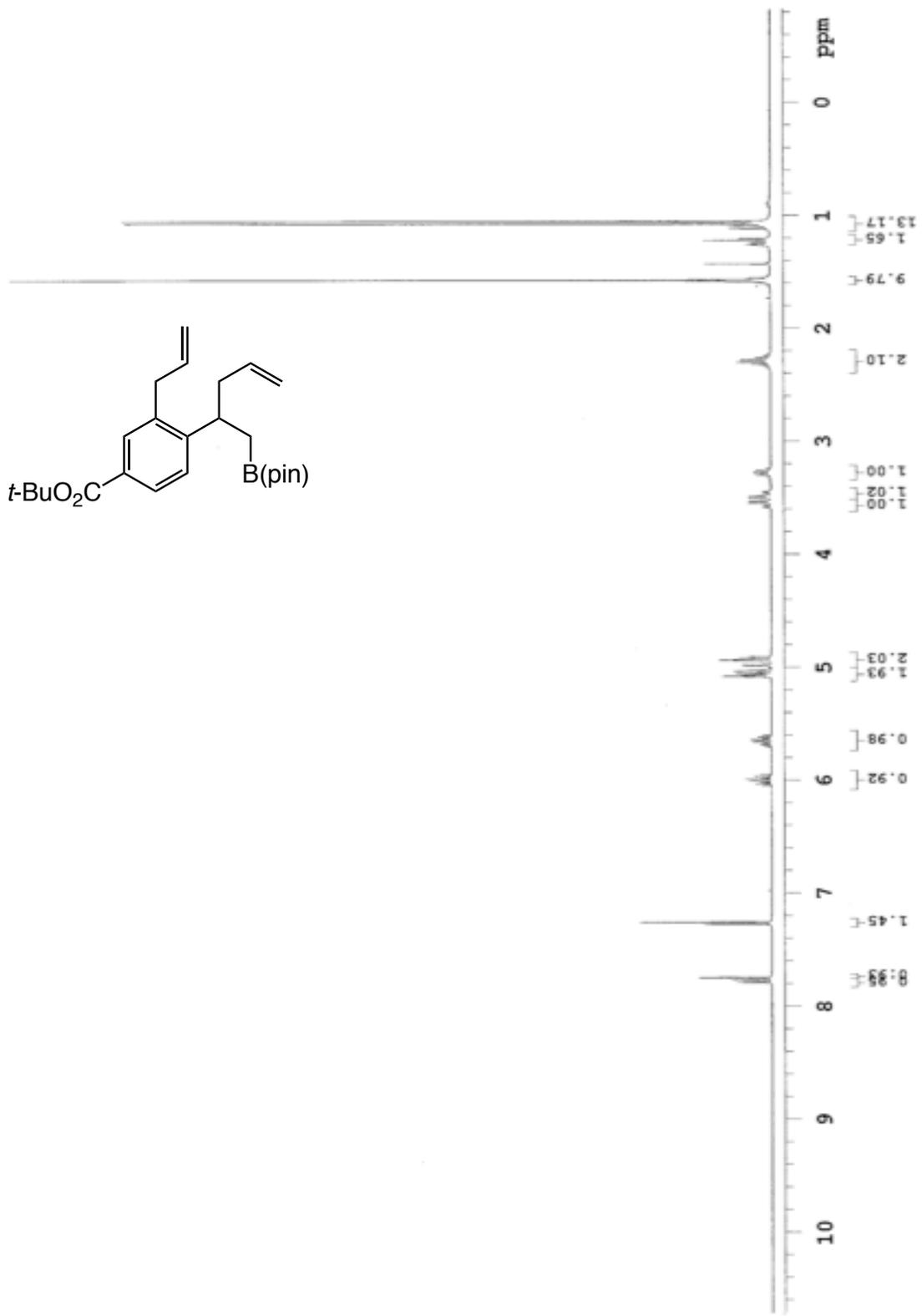


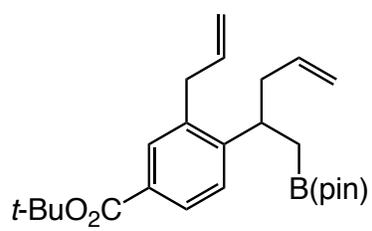
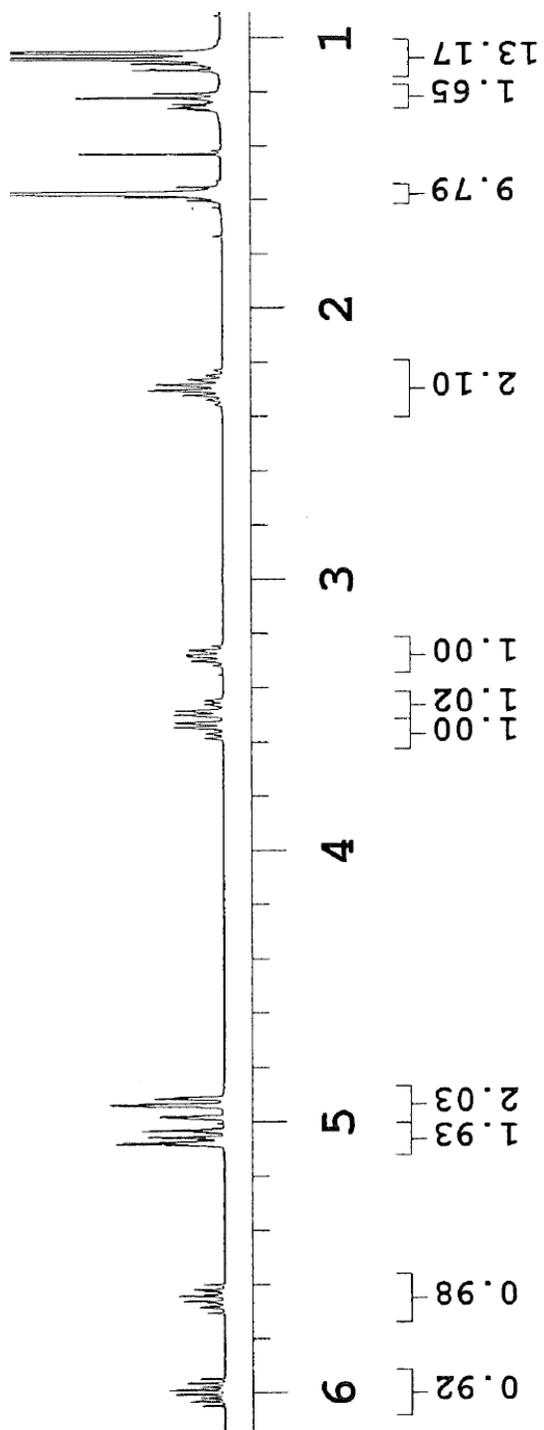


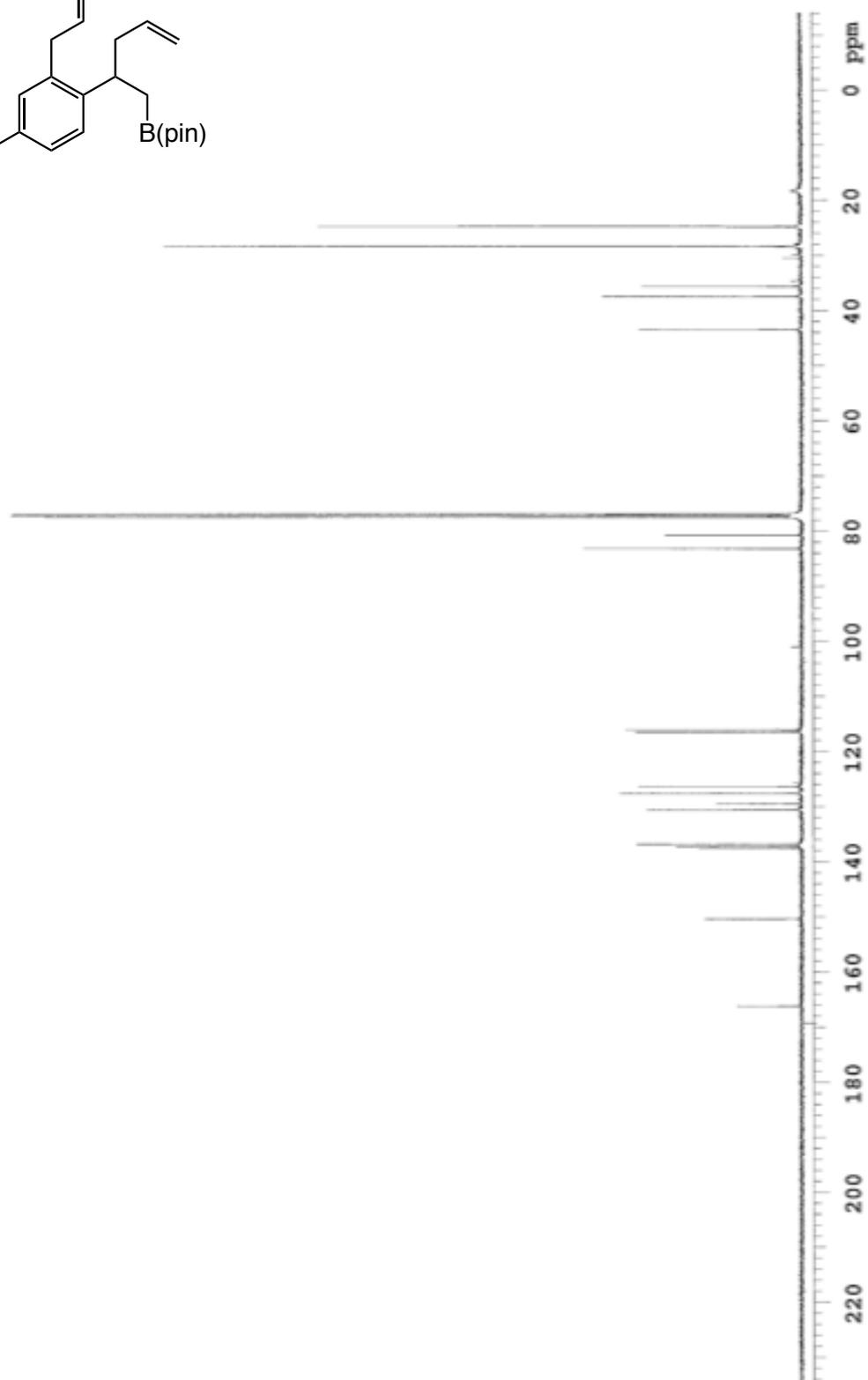
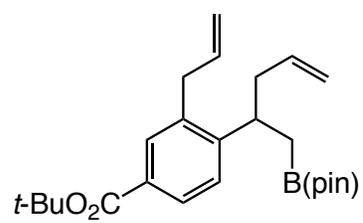


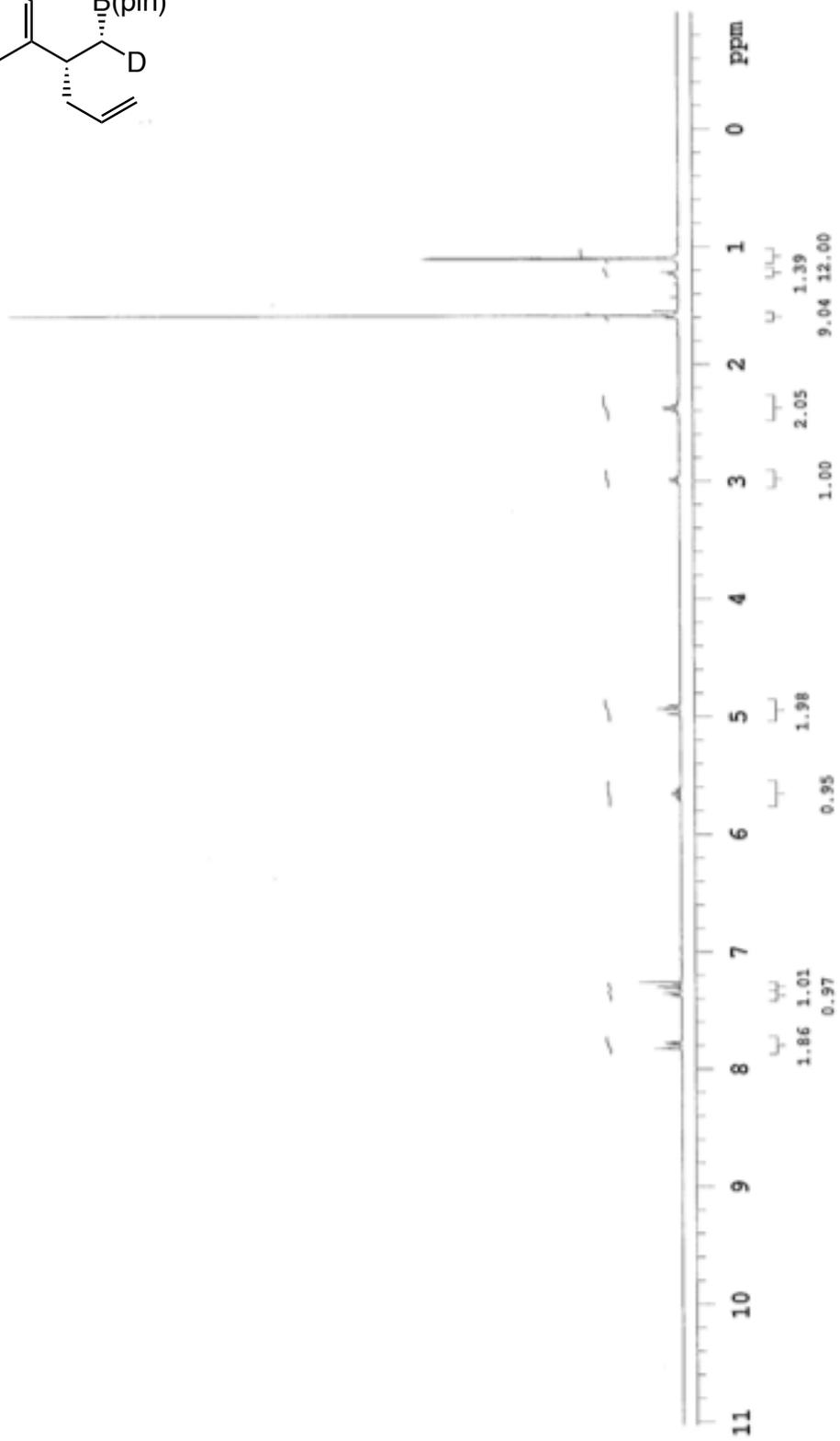
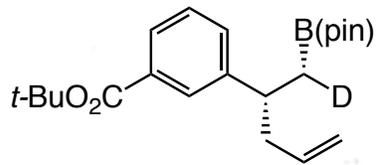


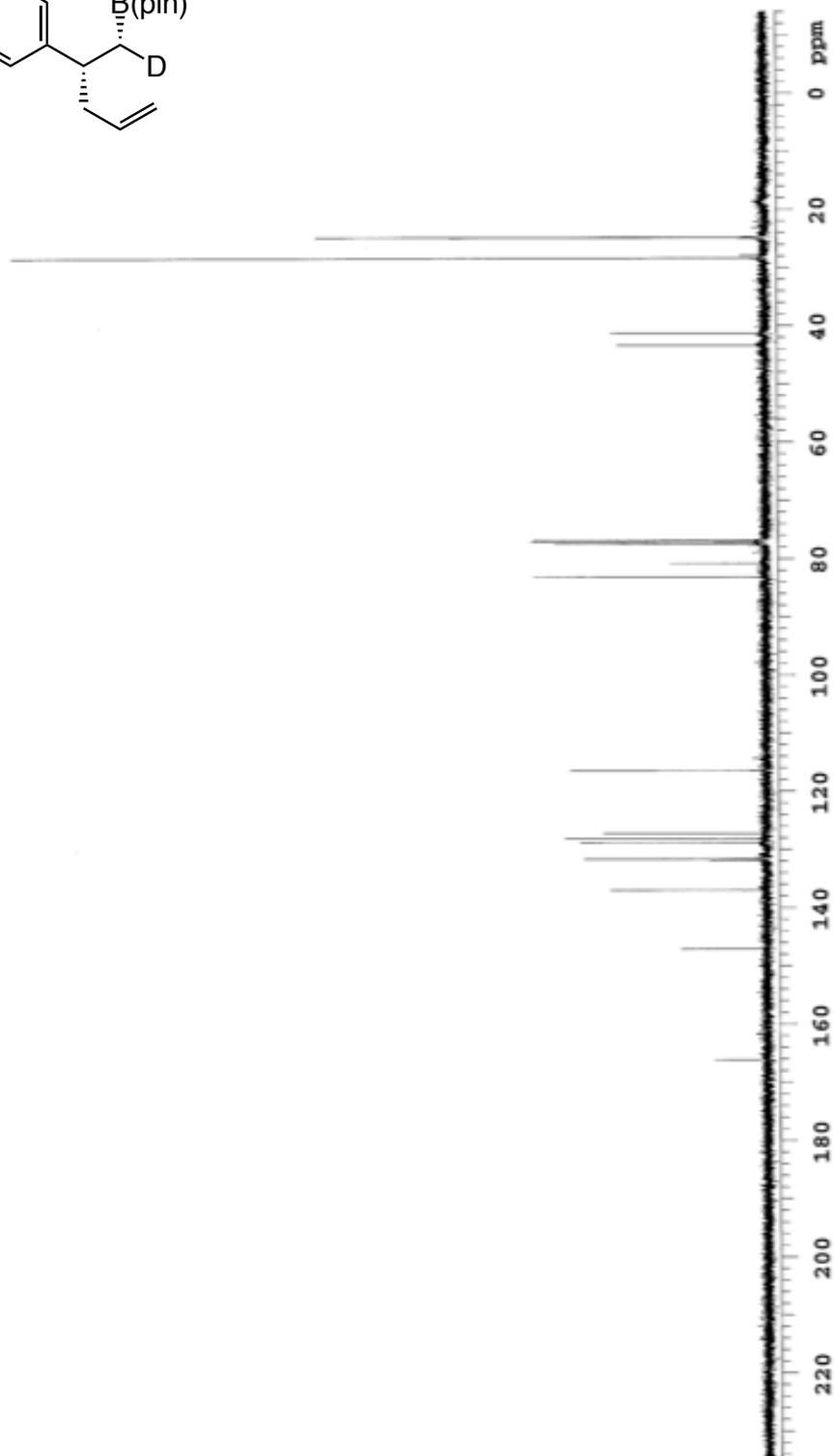
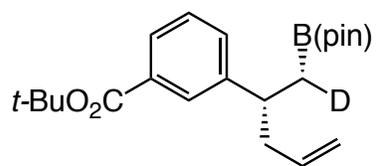


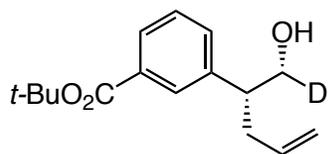




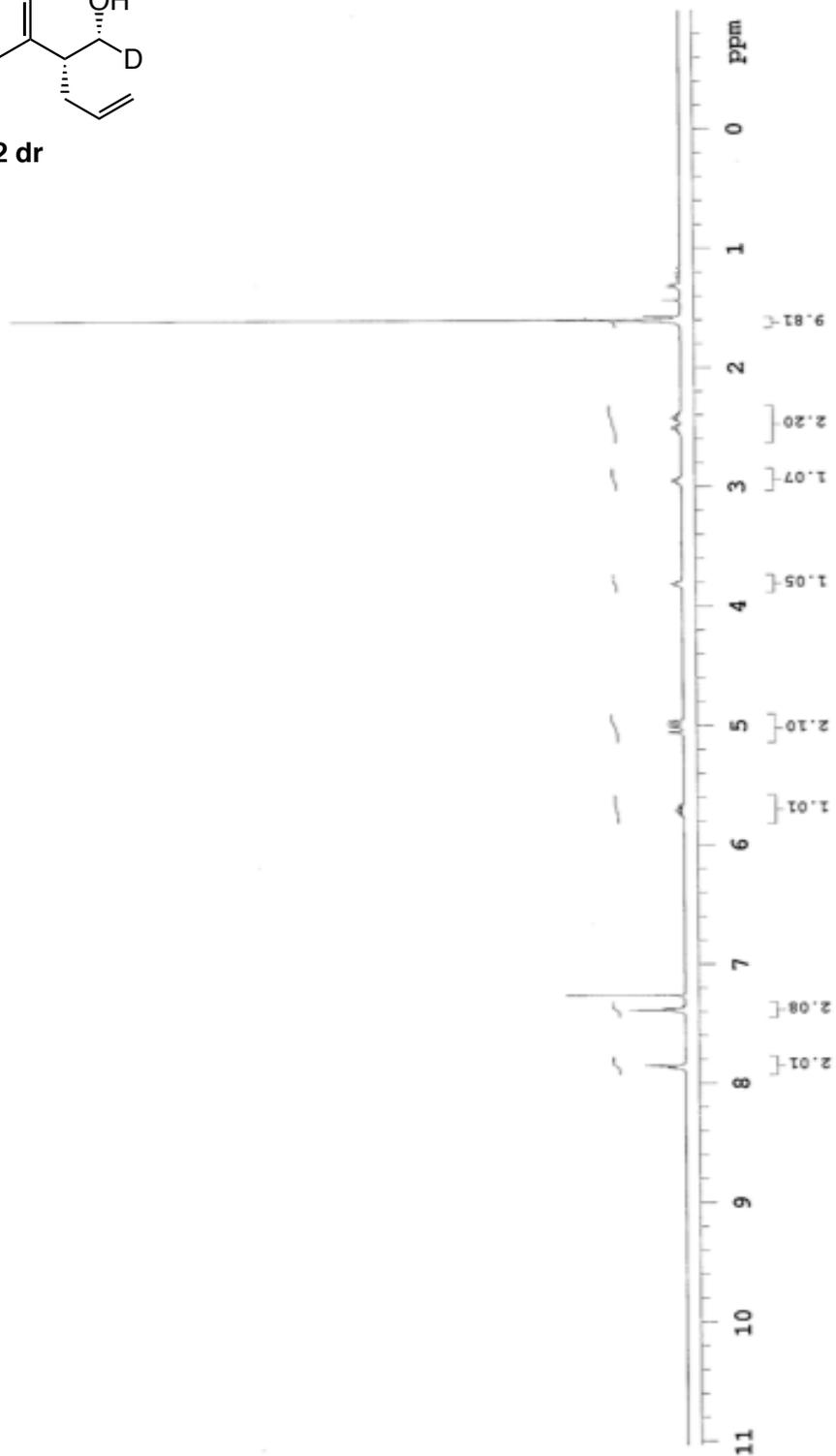


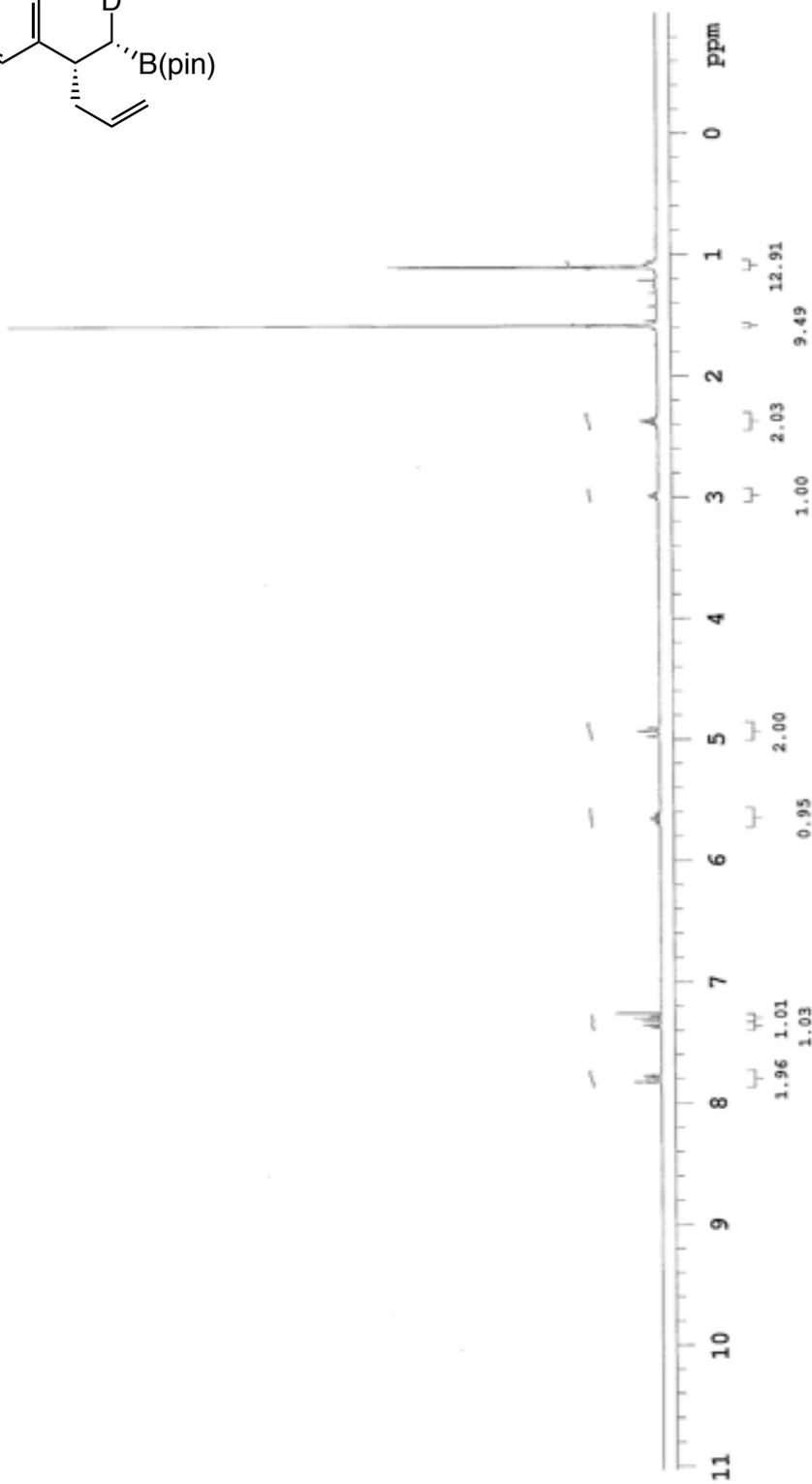
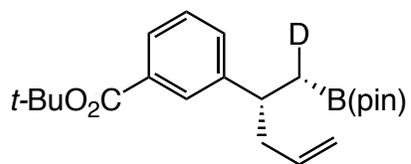


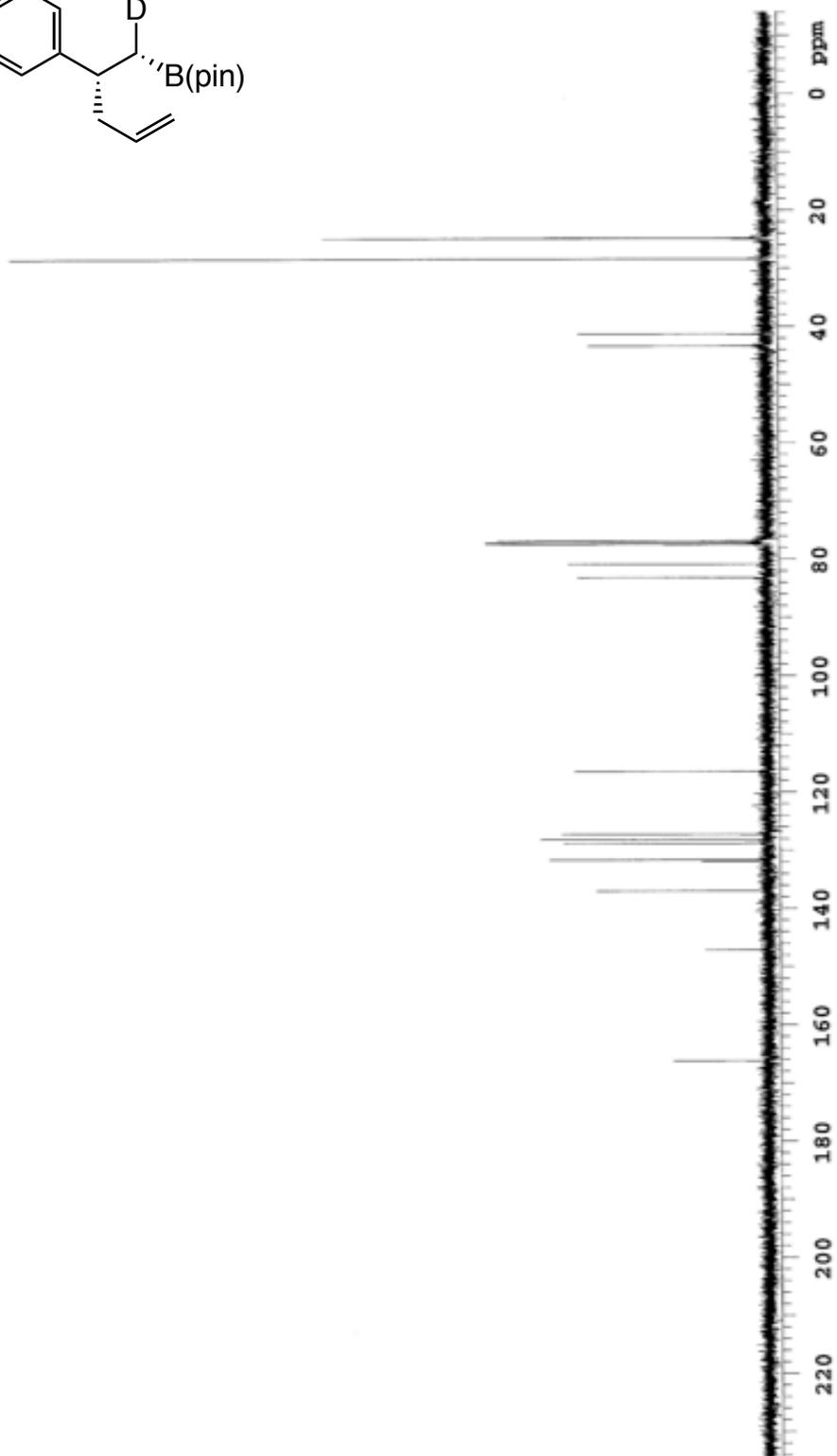
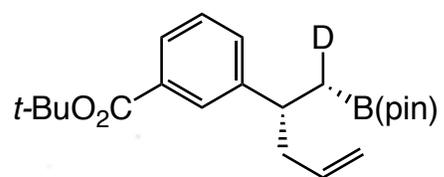


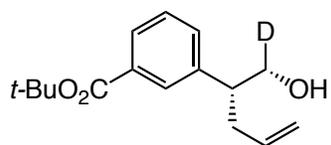


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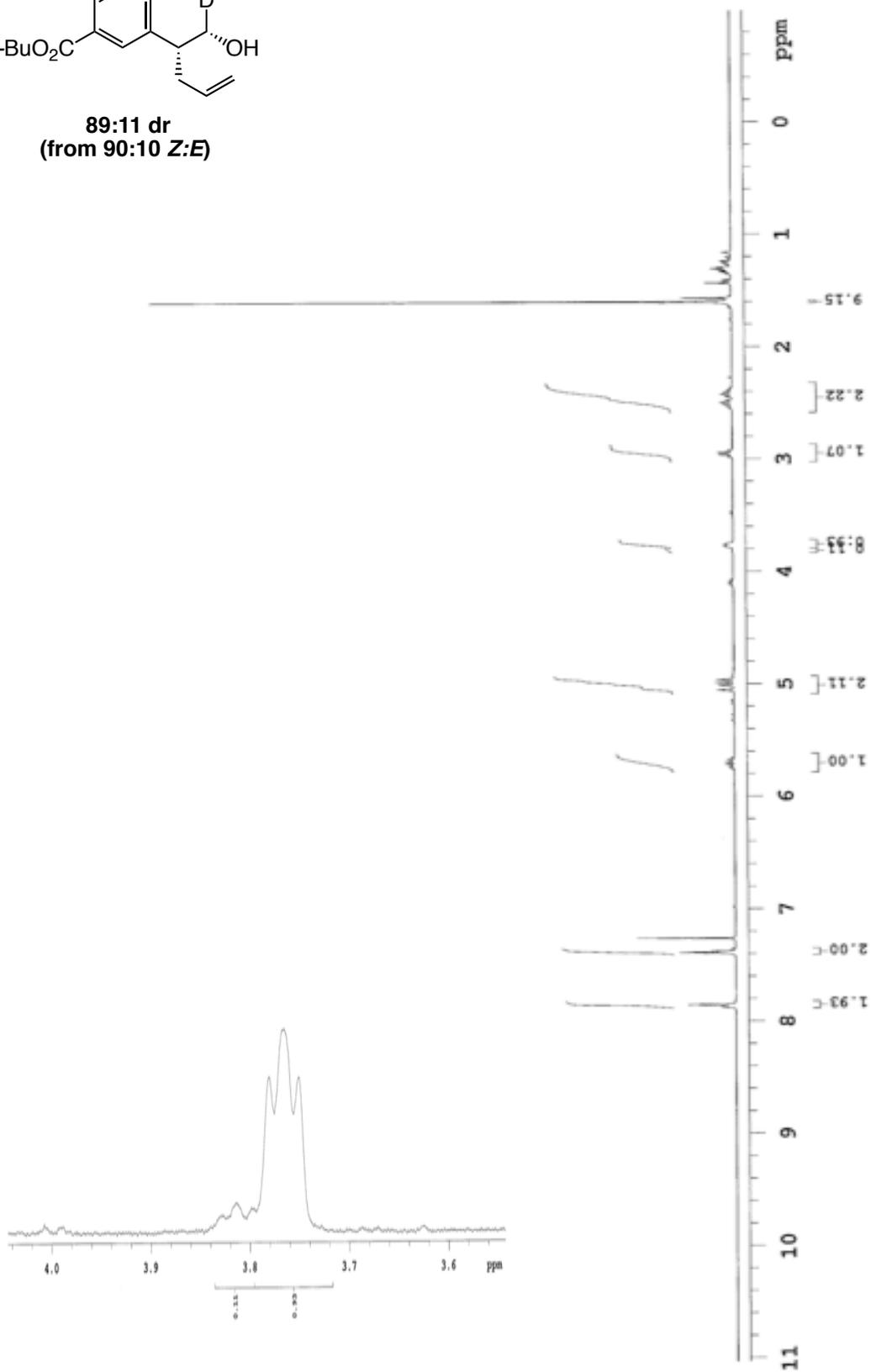


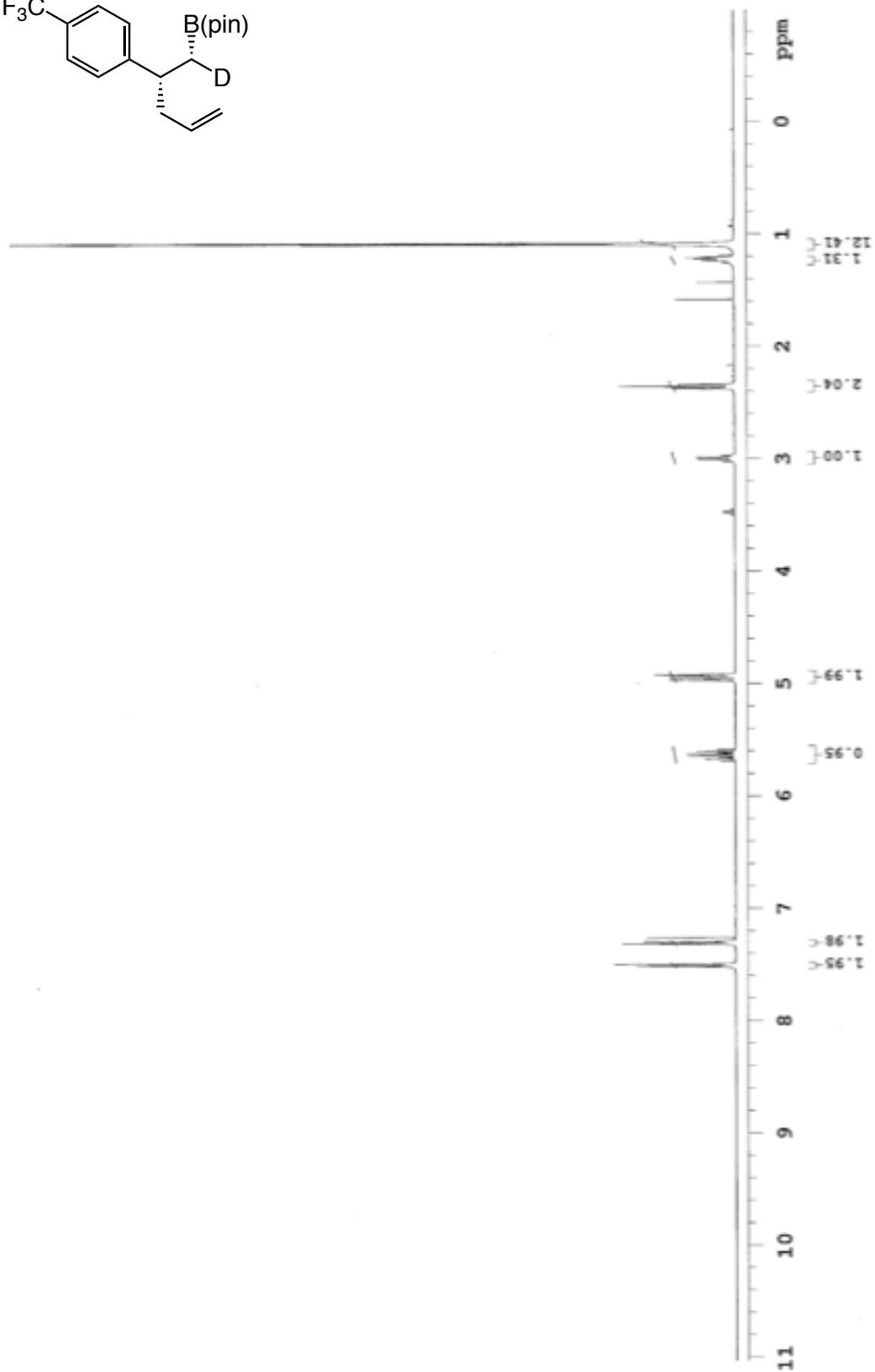
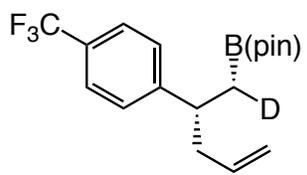


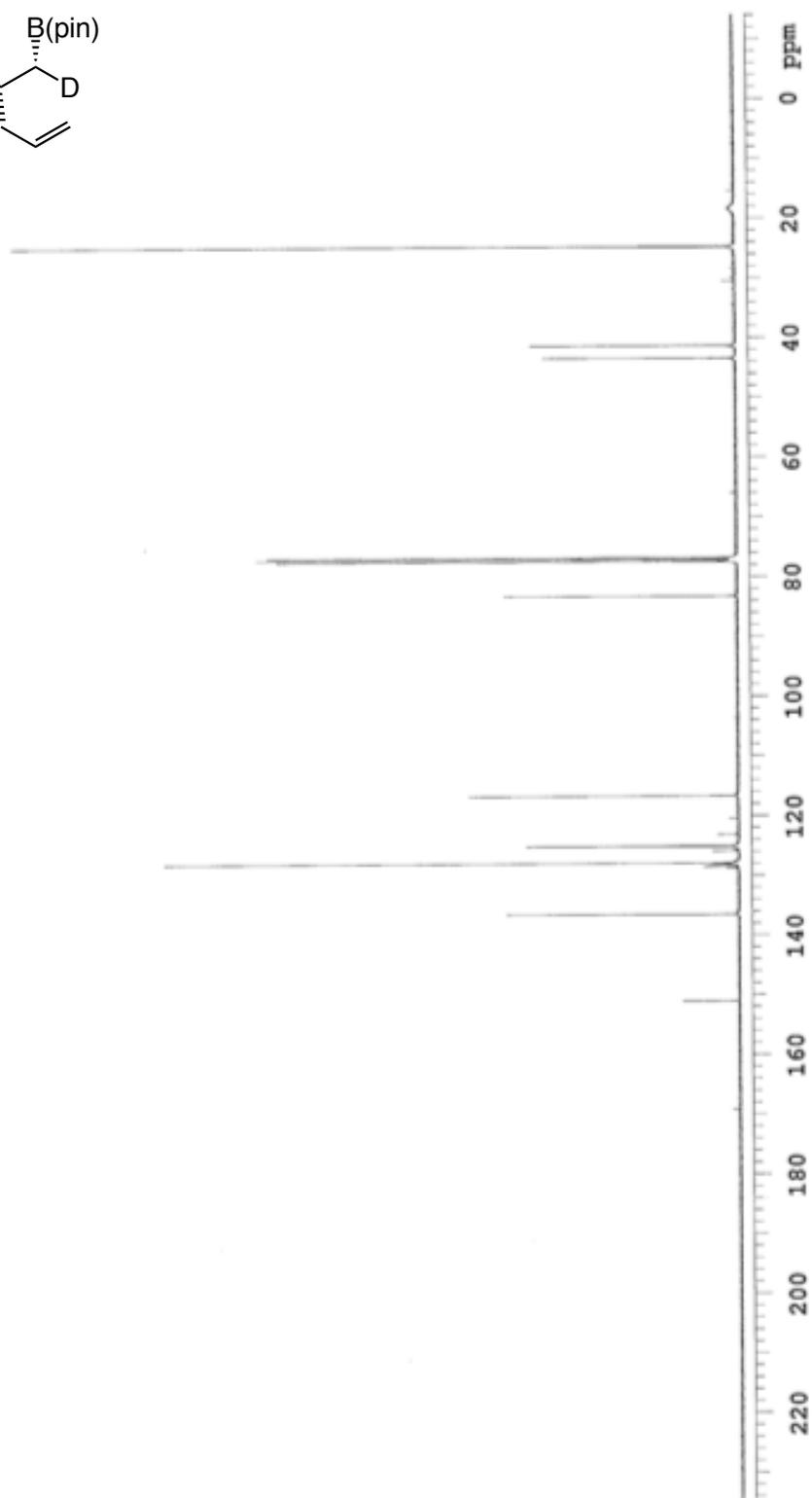
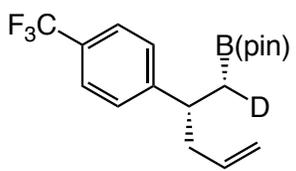


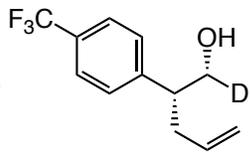


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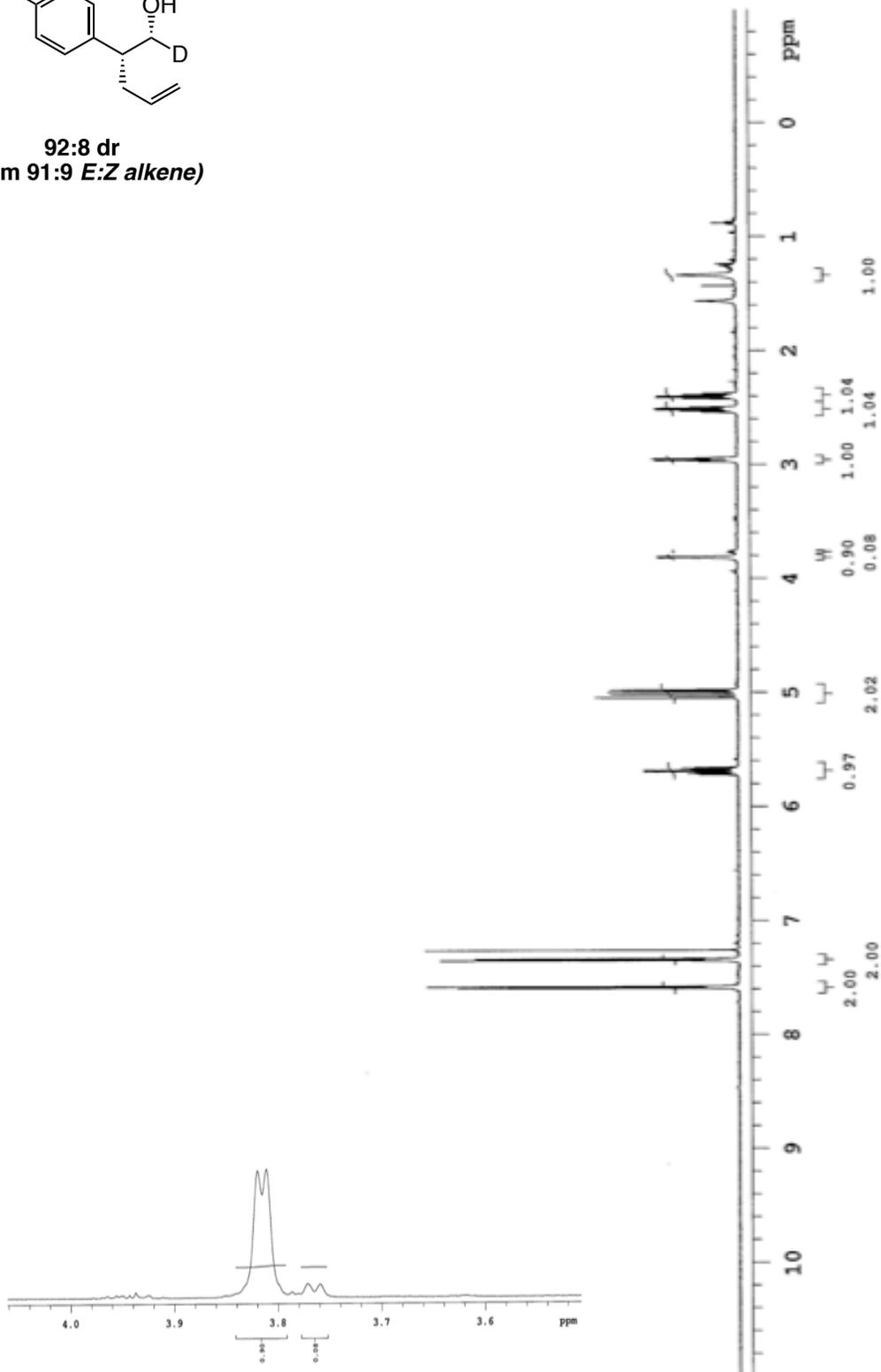


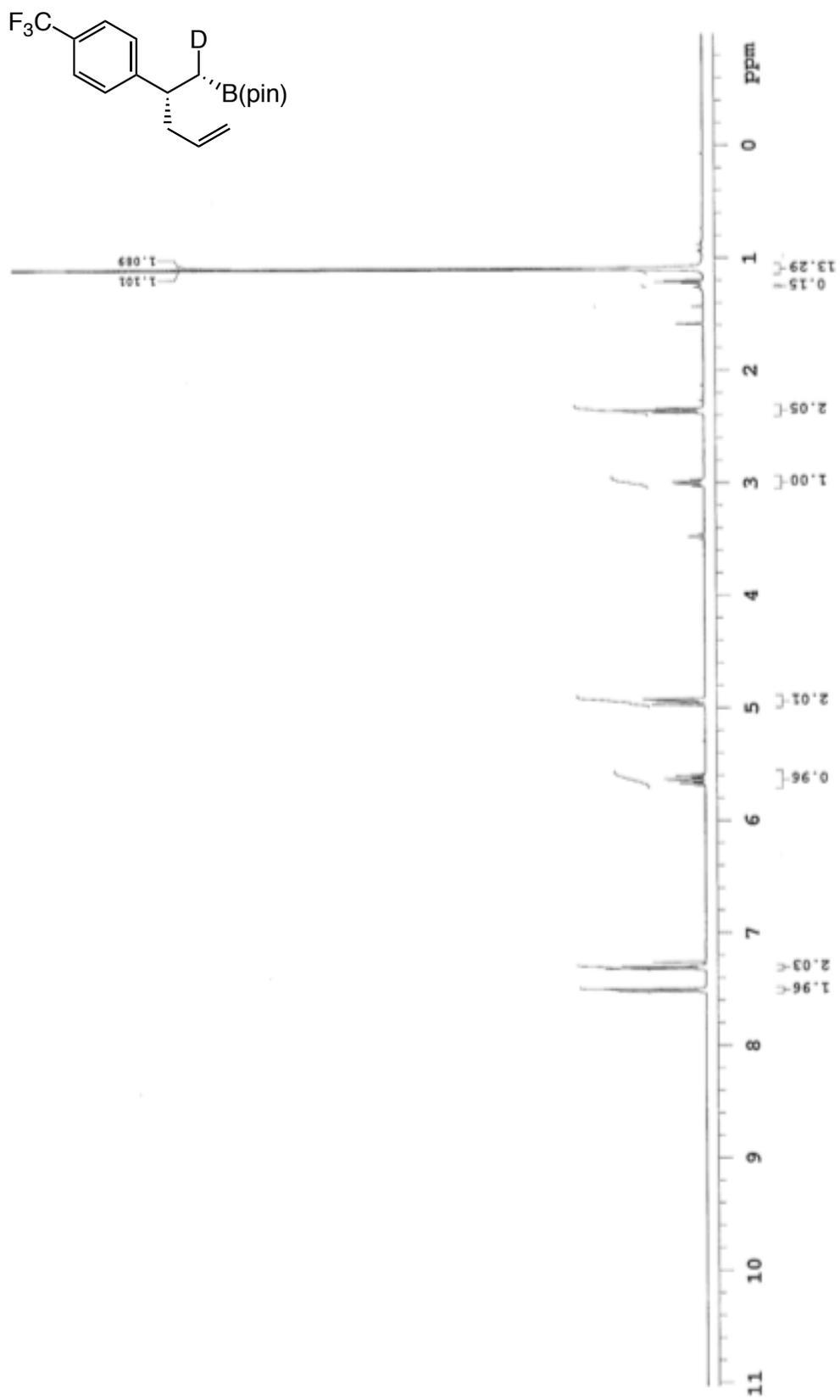


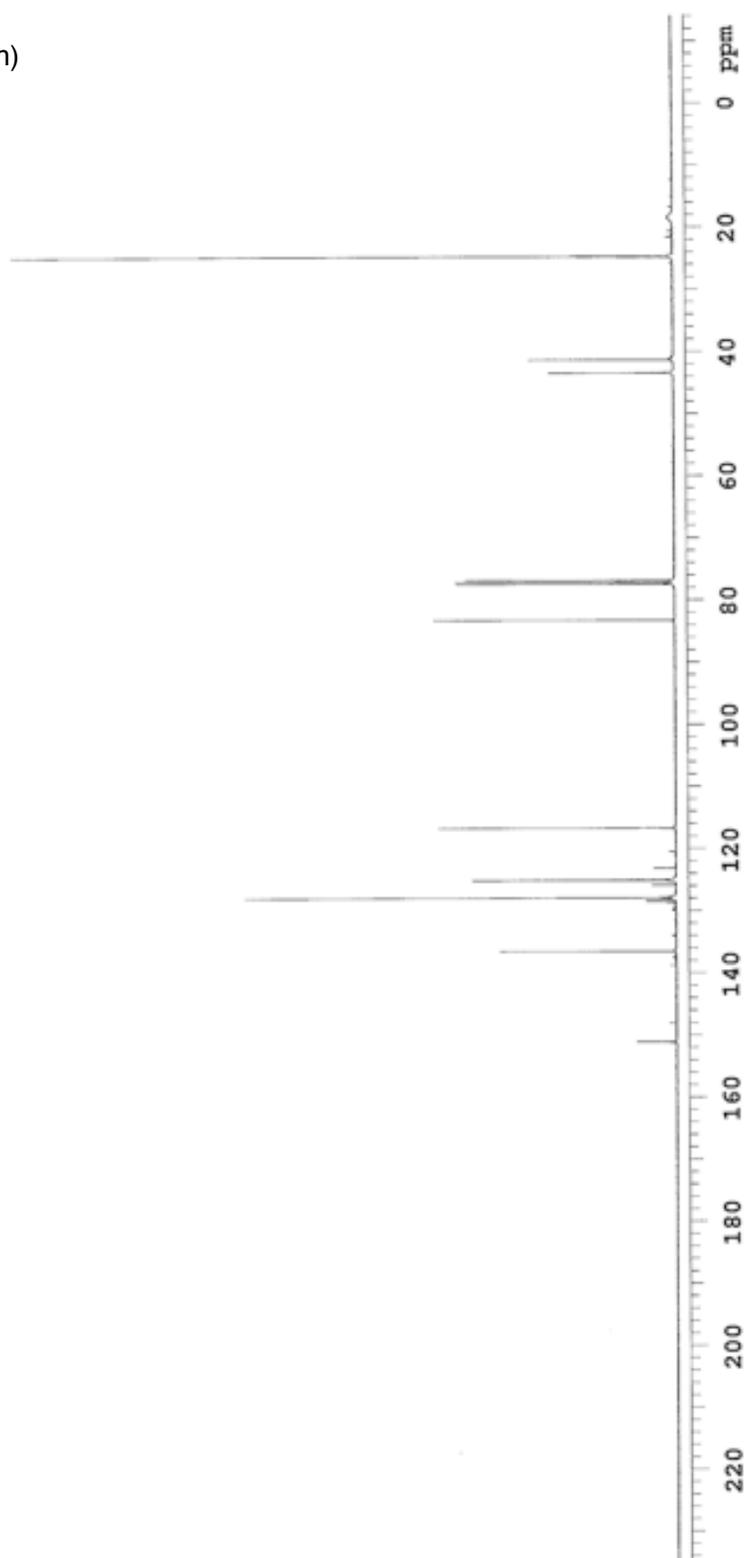
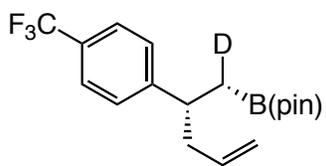


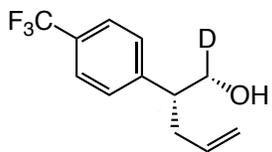


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(from 91:9 *E:Z* alkene)

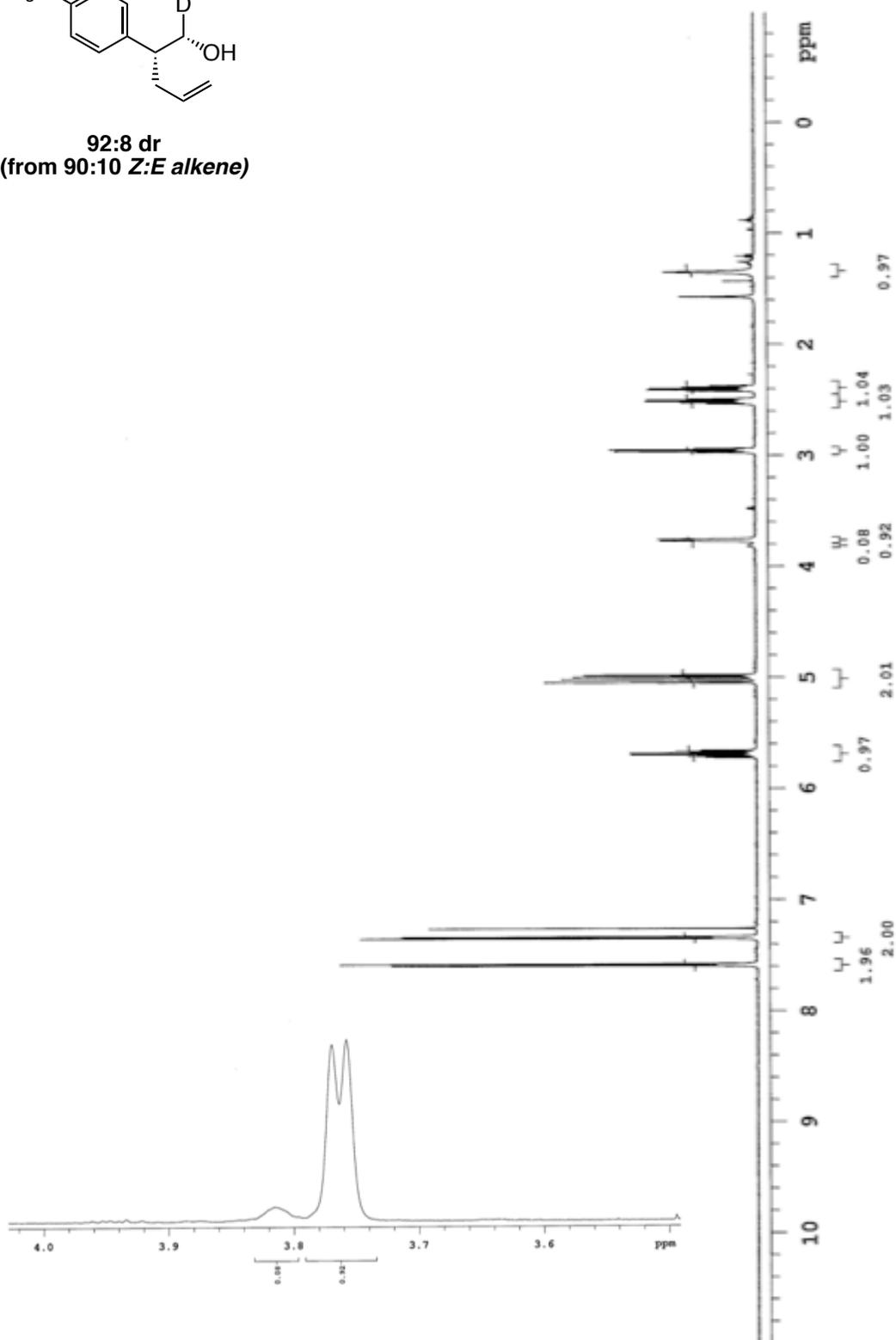


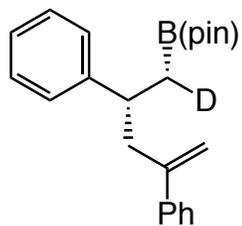






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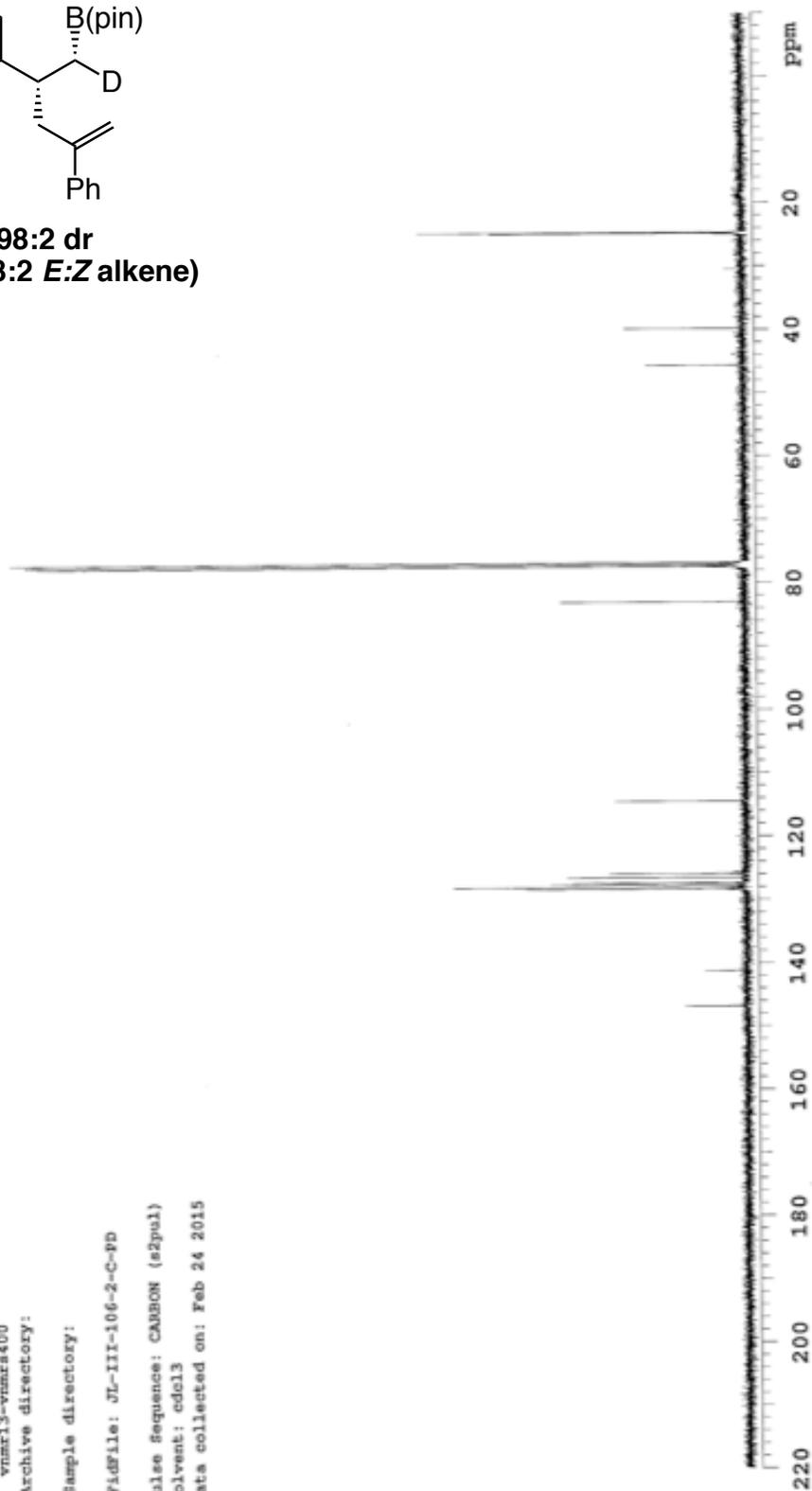
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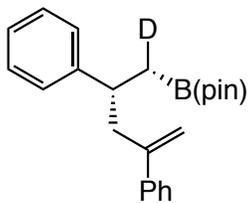
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Archive directory:

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Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Feb 24 2015





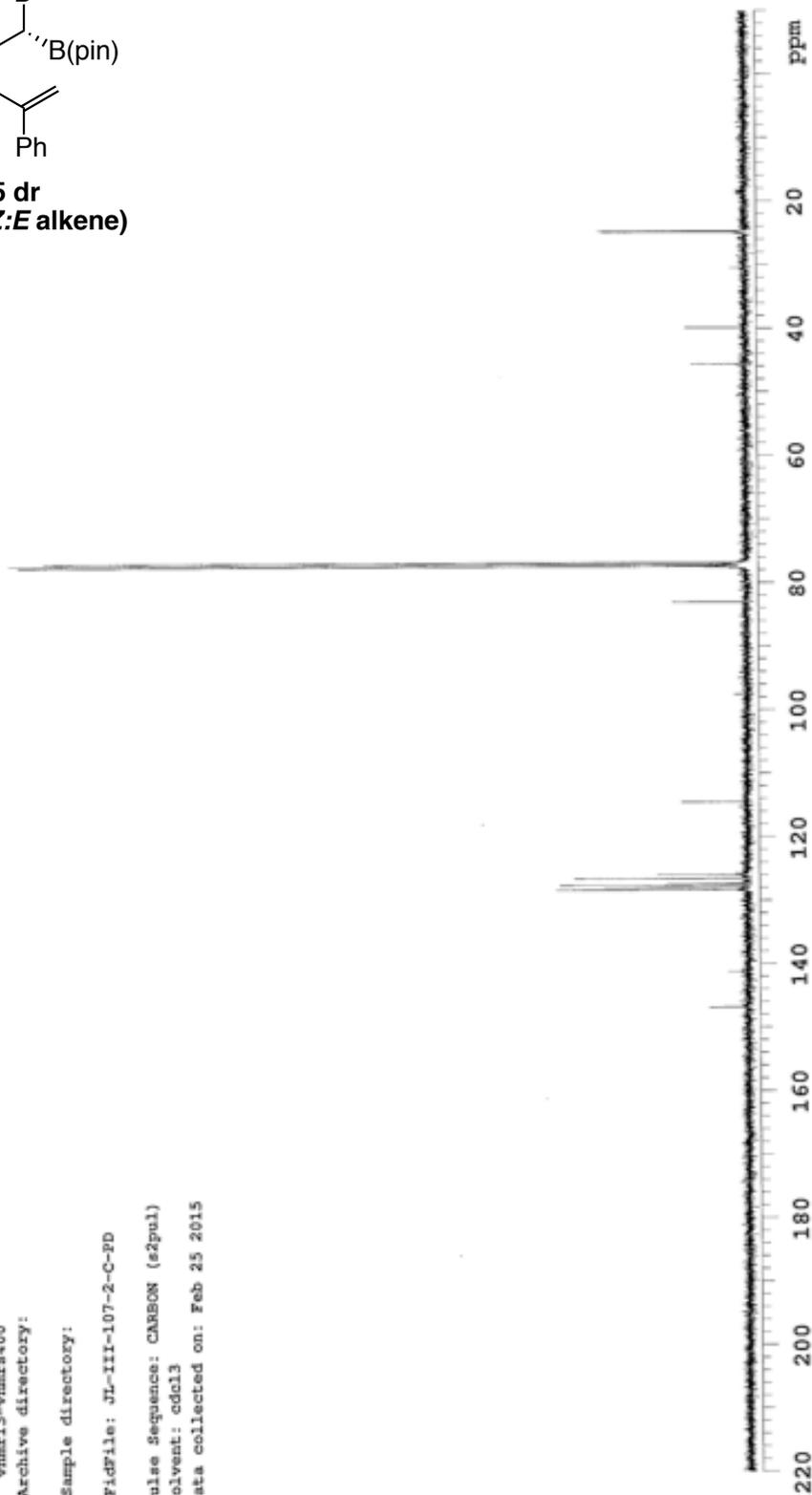
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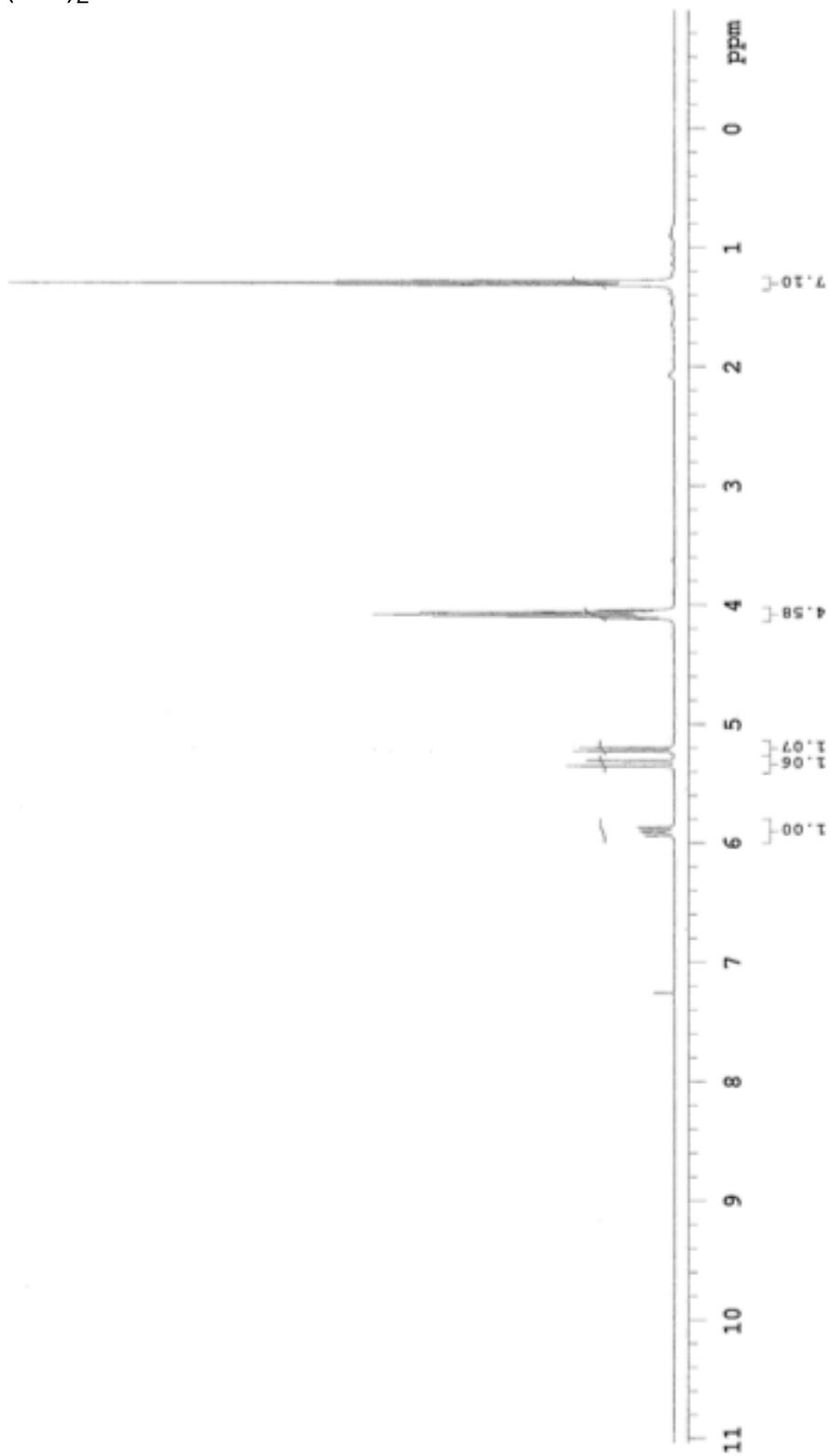
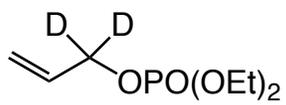
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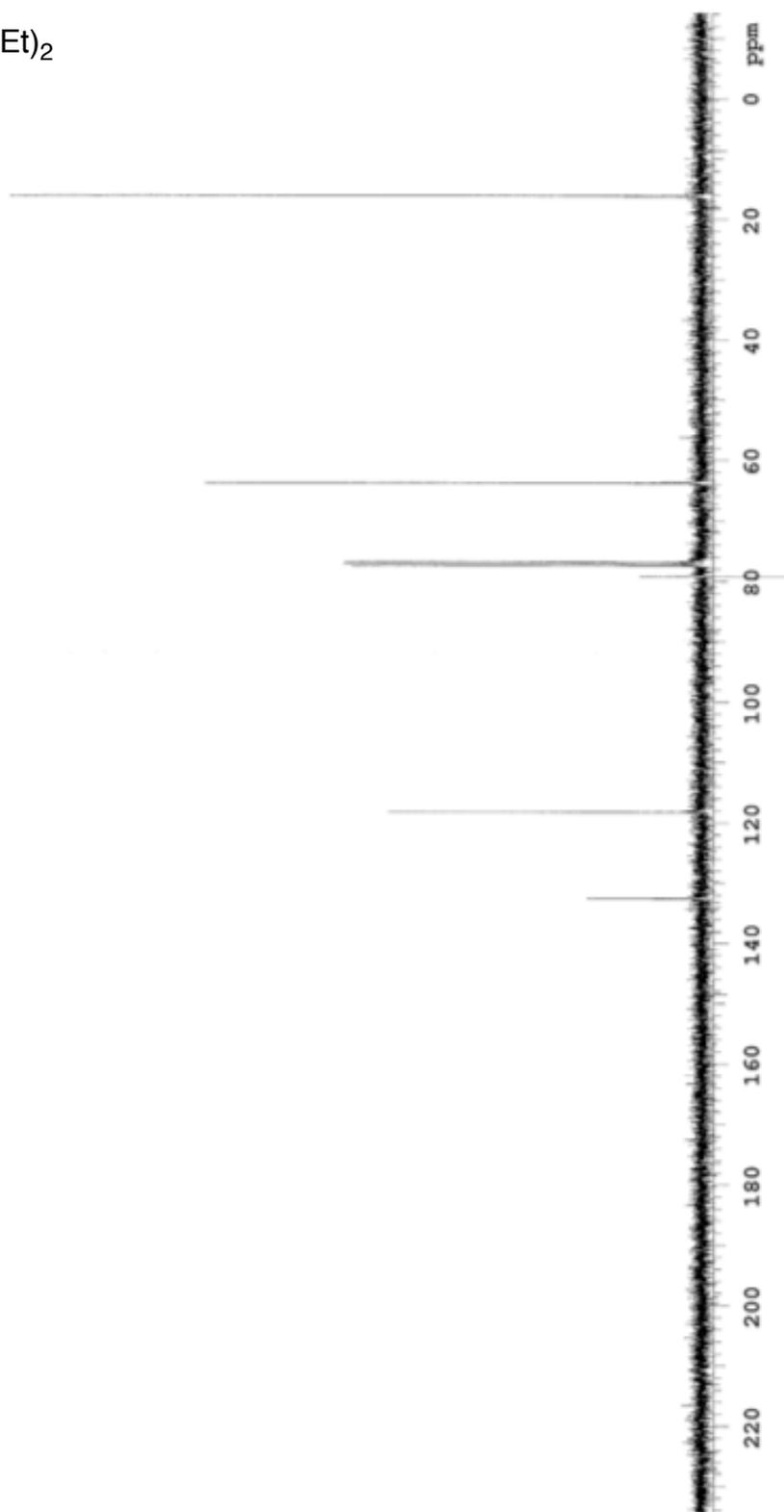
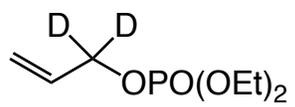
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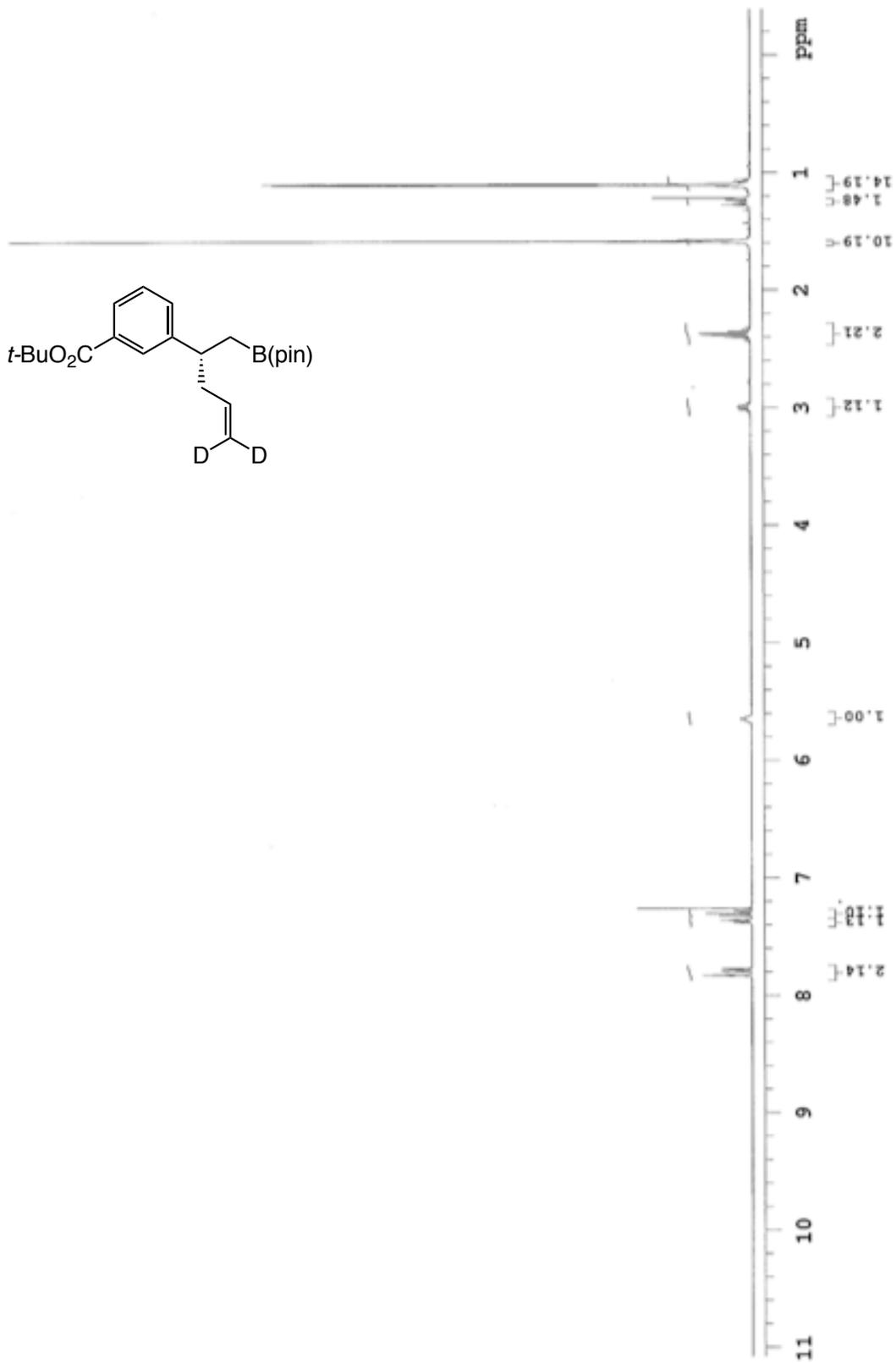
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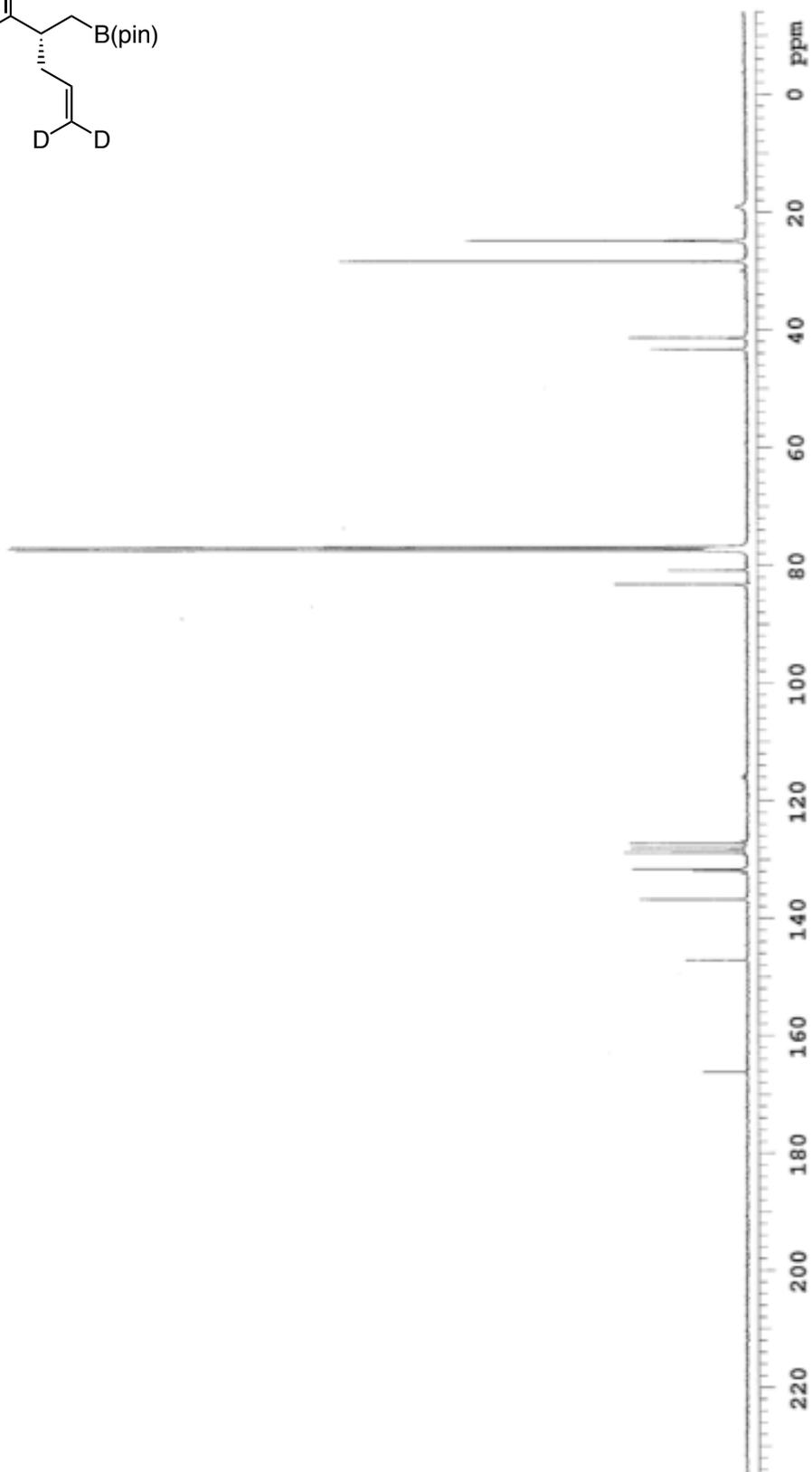
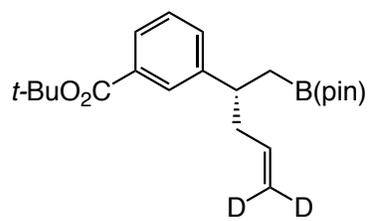
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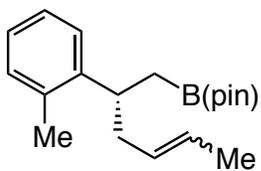












JL-IV-169-2FD

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JL-IV-169-2FD

Data Collected on:

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Archive directory:

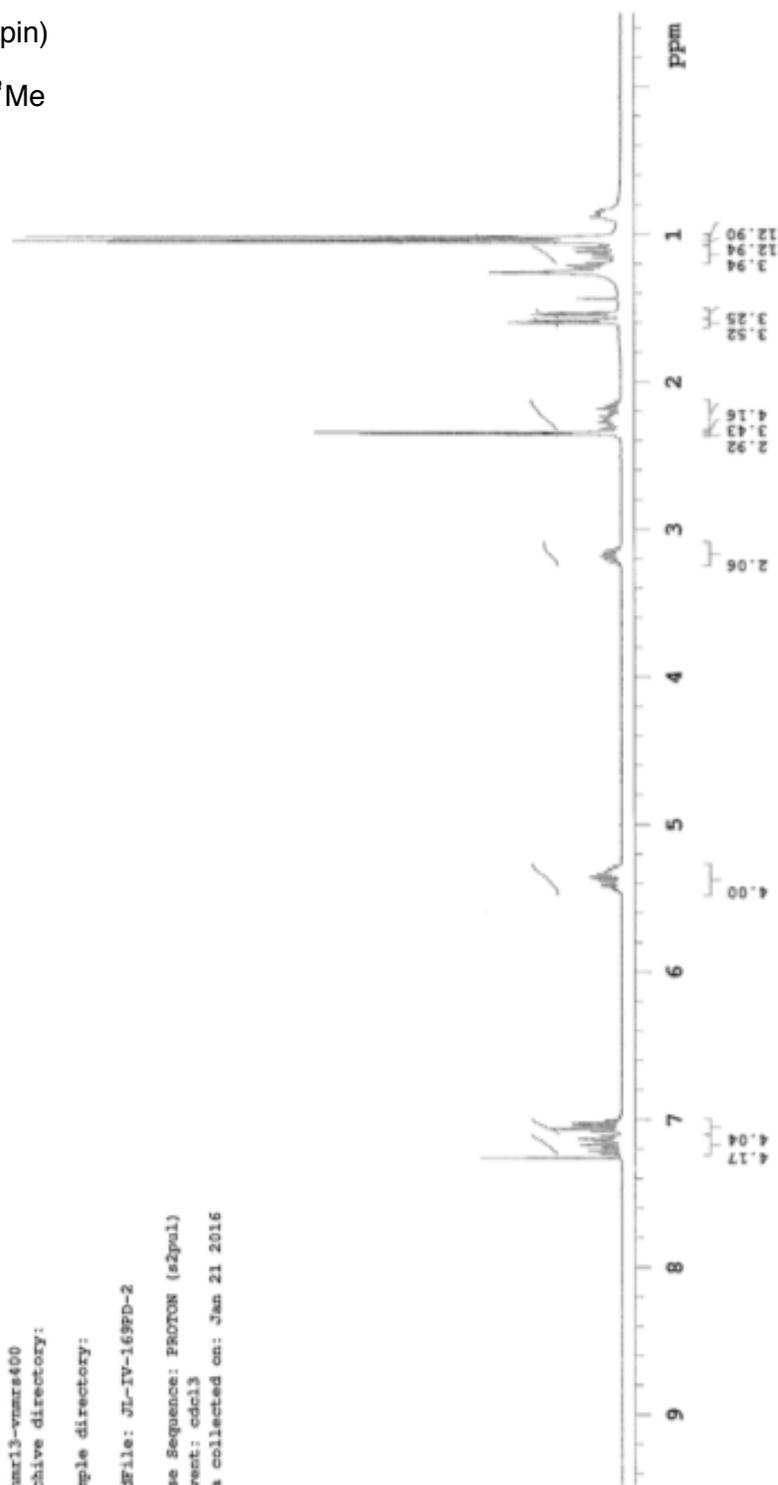
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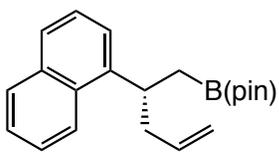
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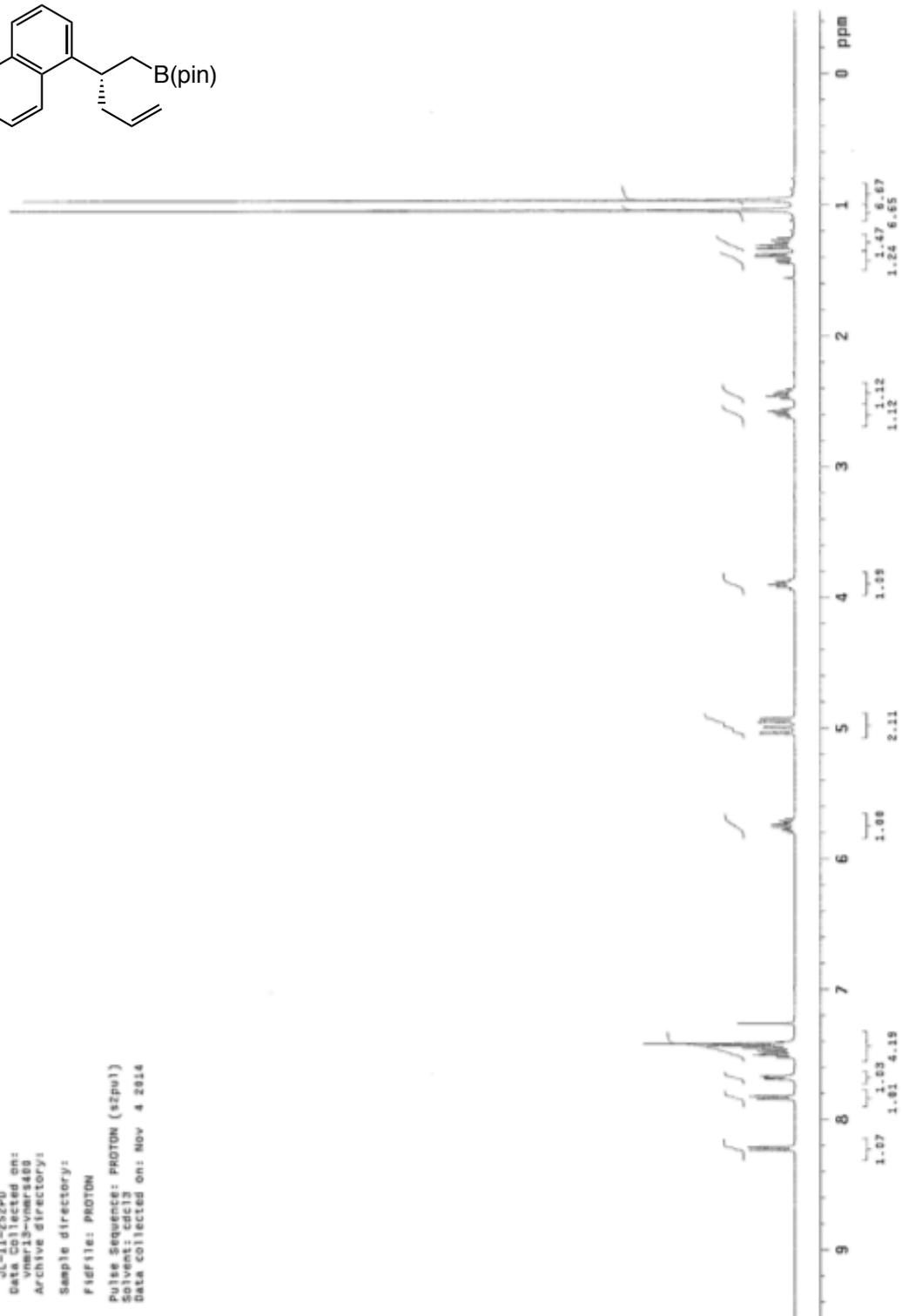
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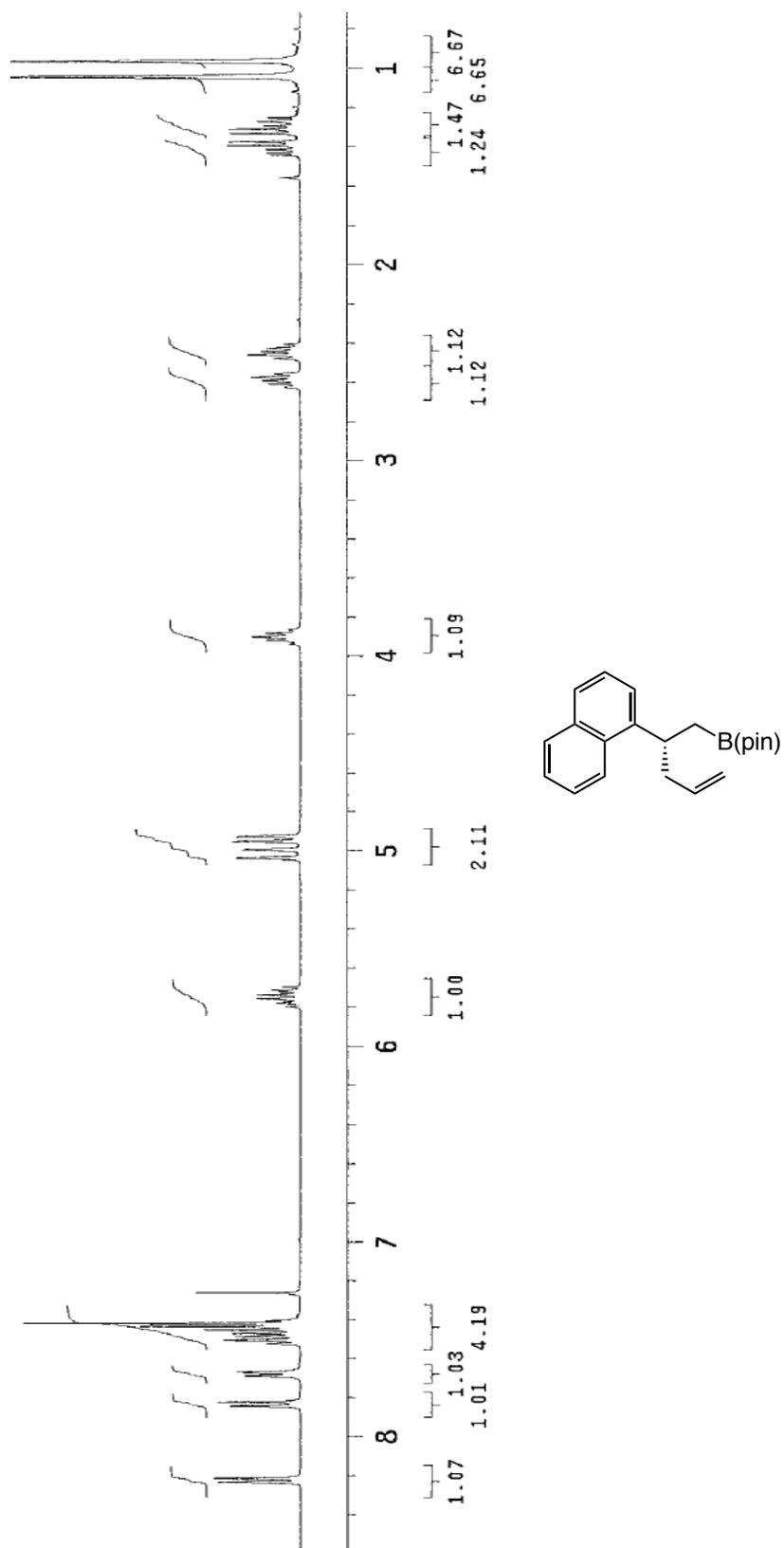
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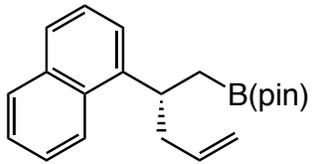




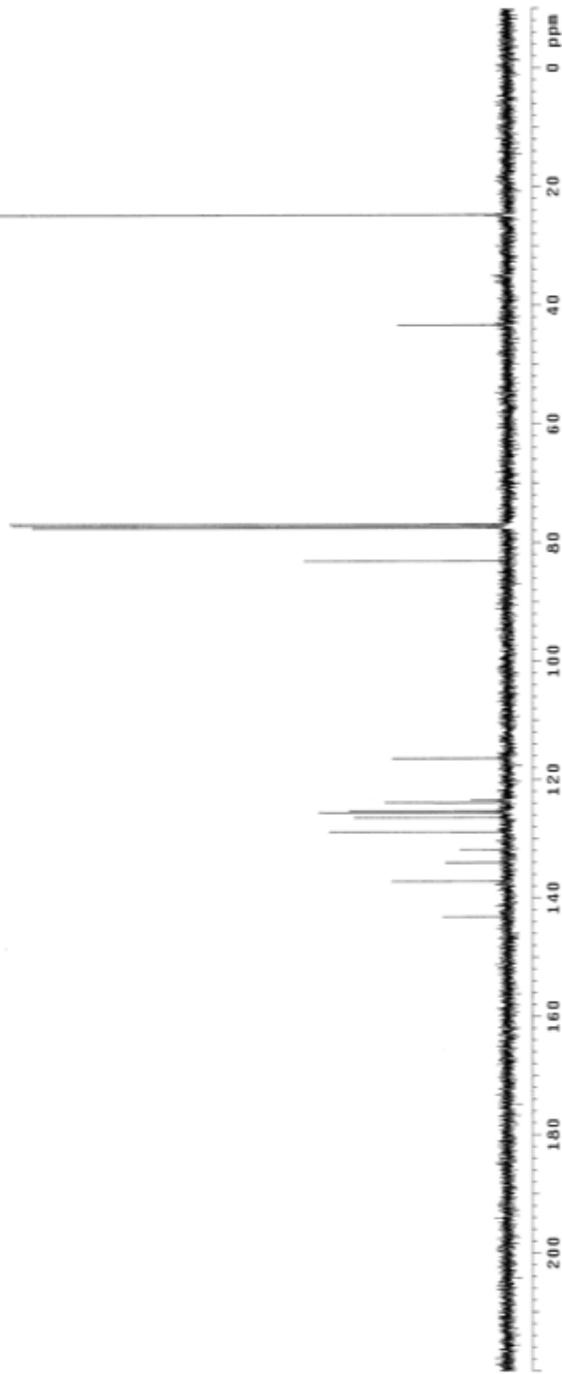
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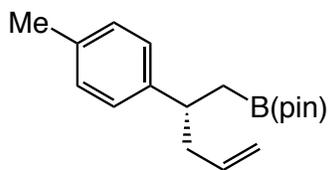




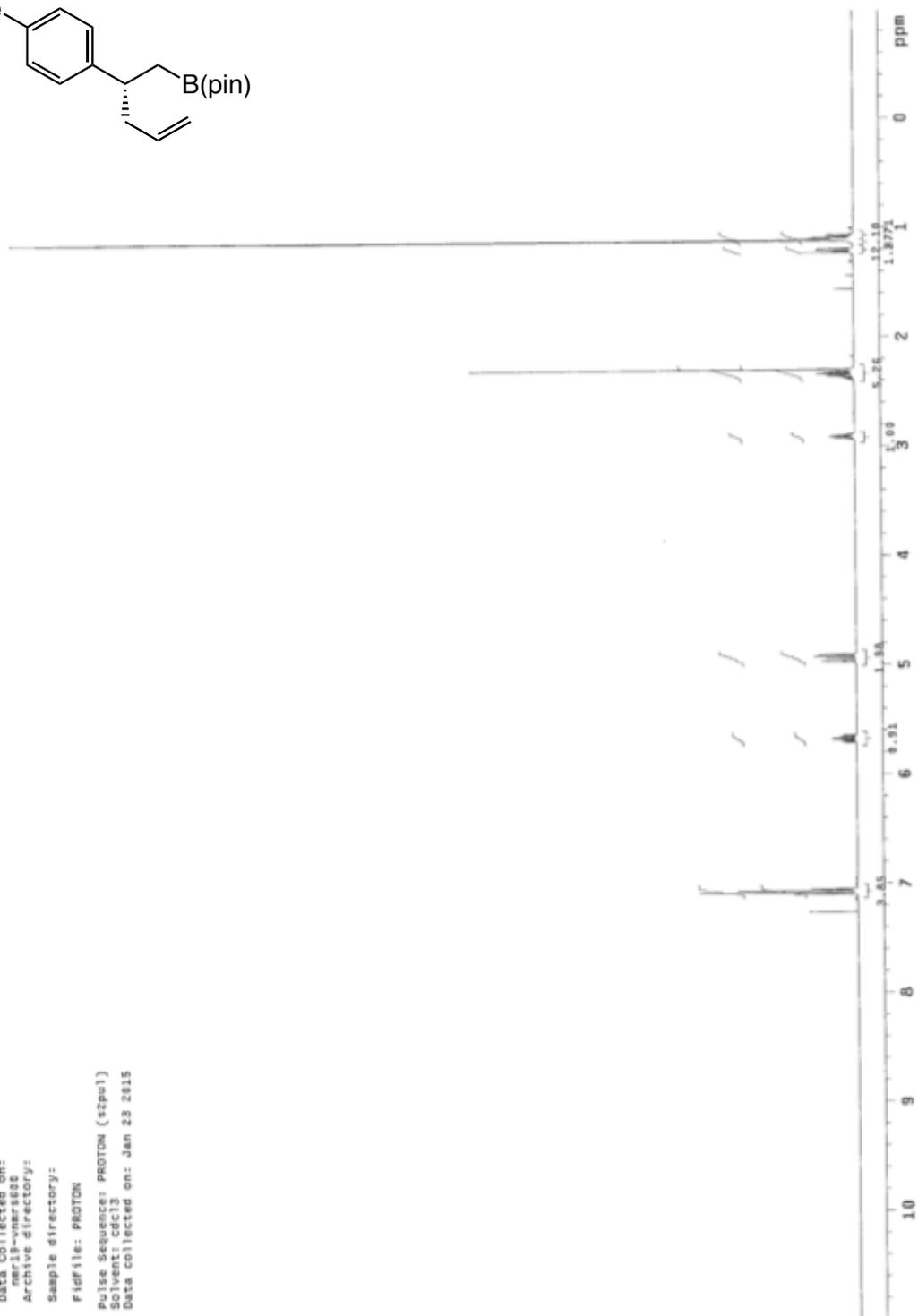


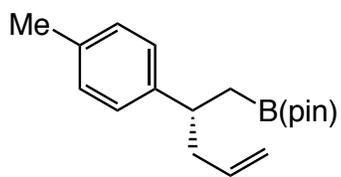
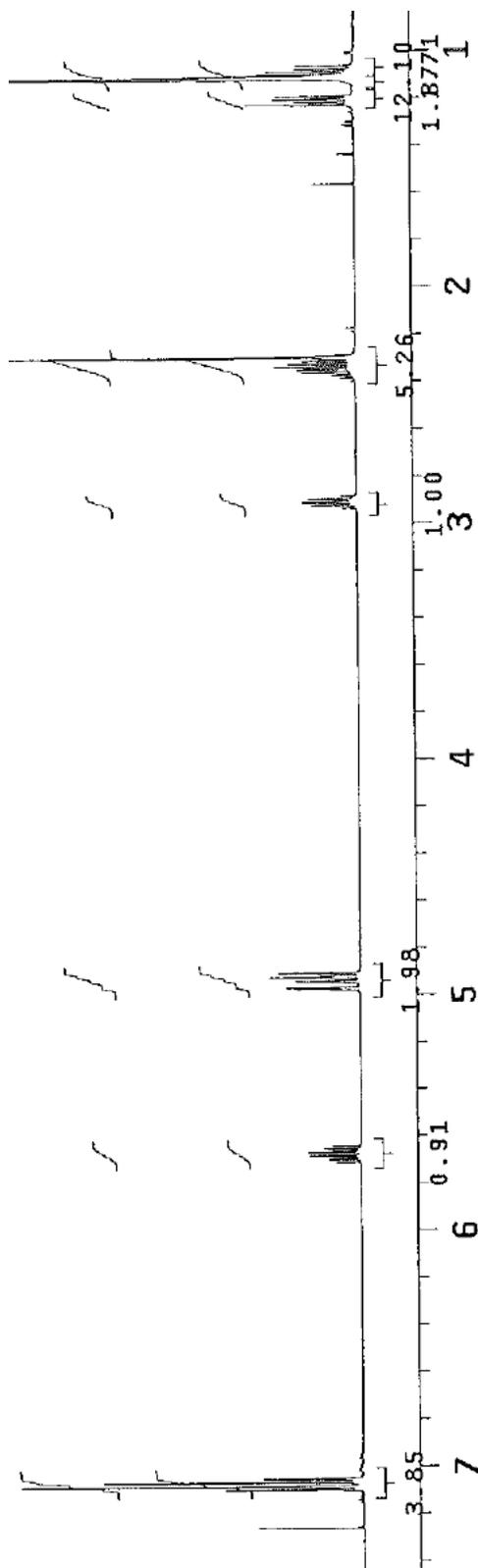
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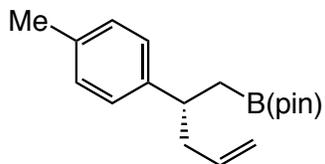




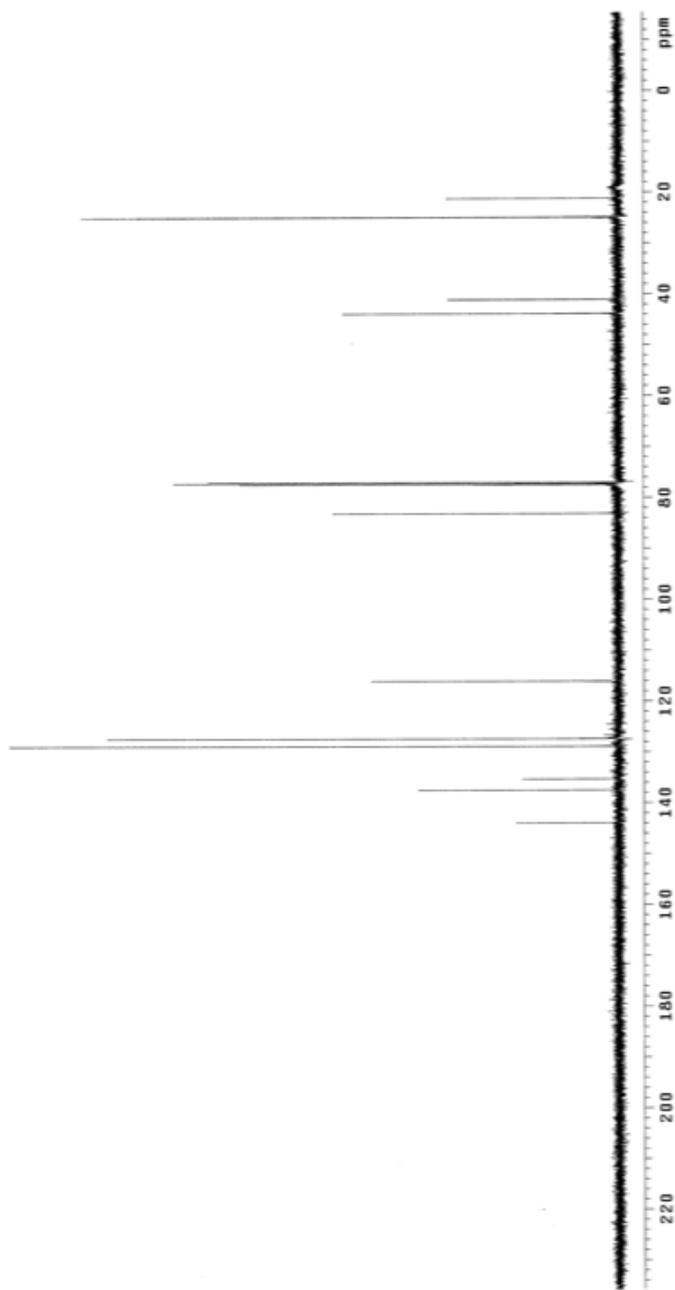
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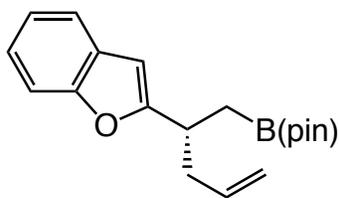




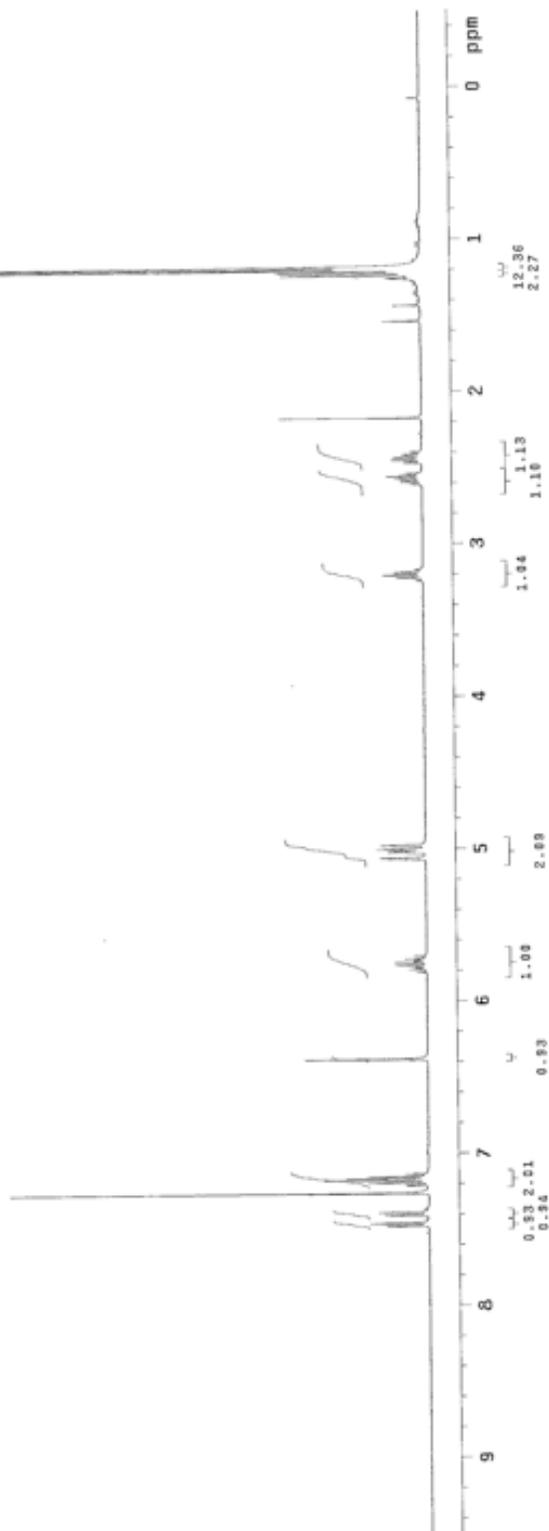


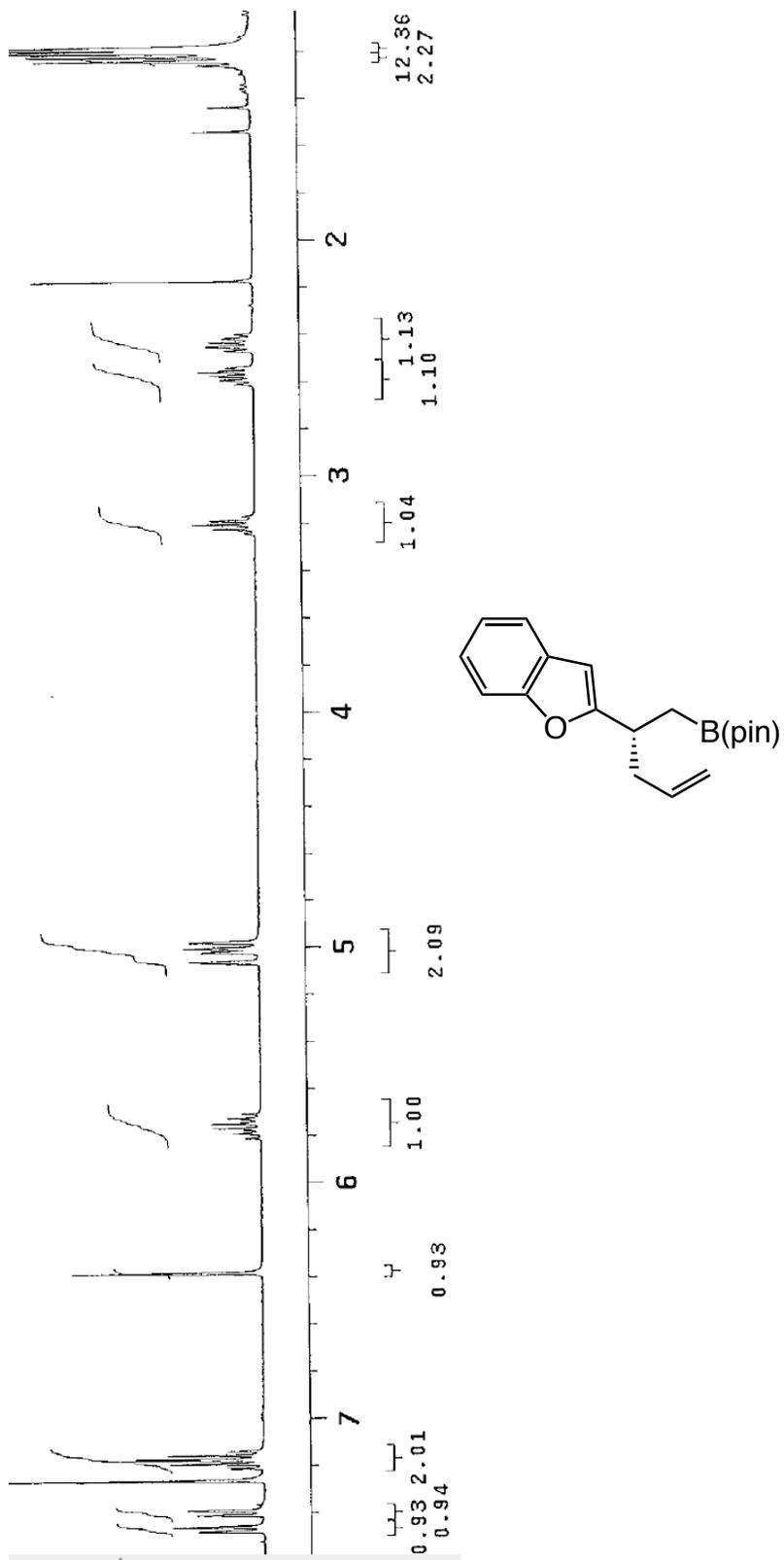
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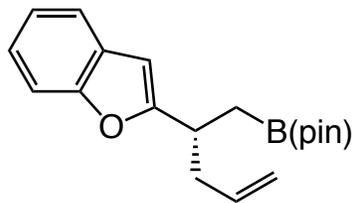




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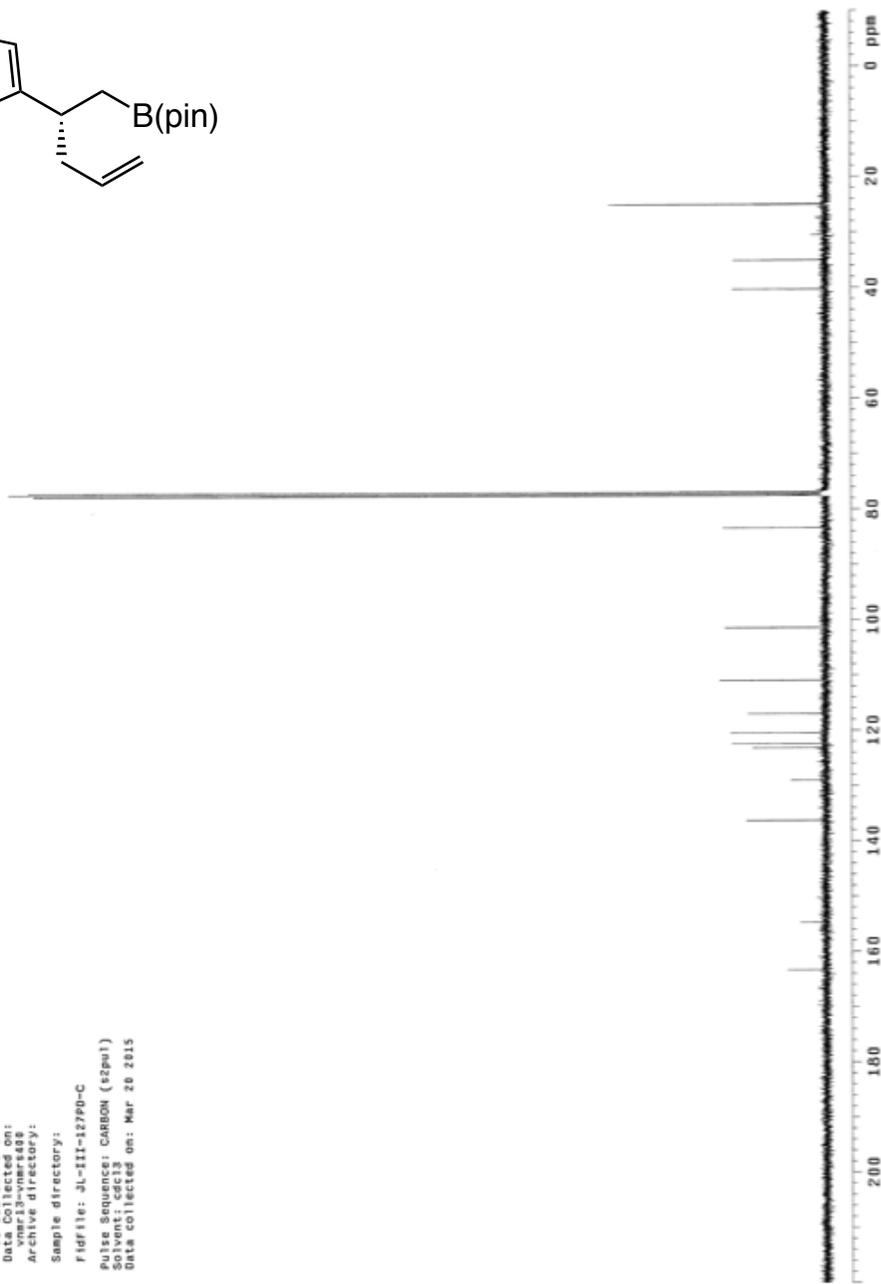
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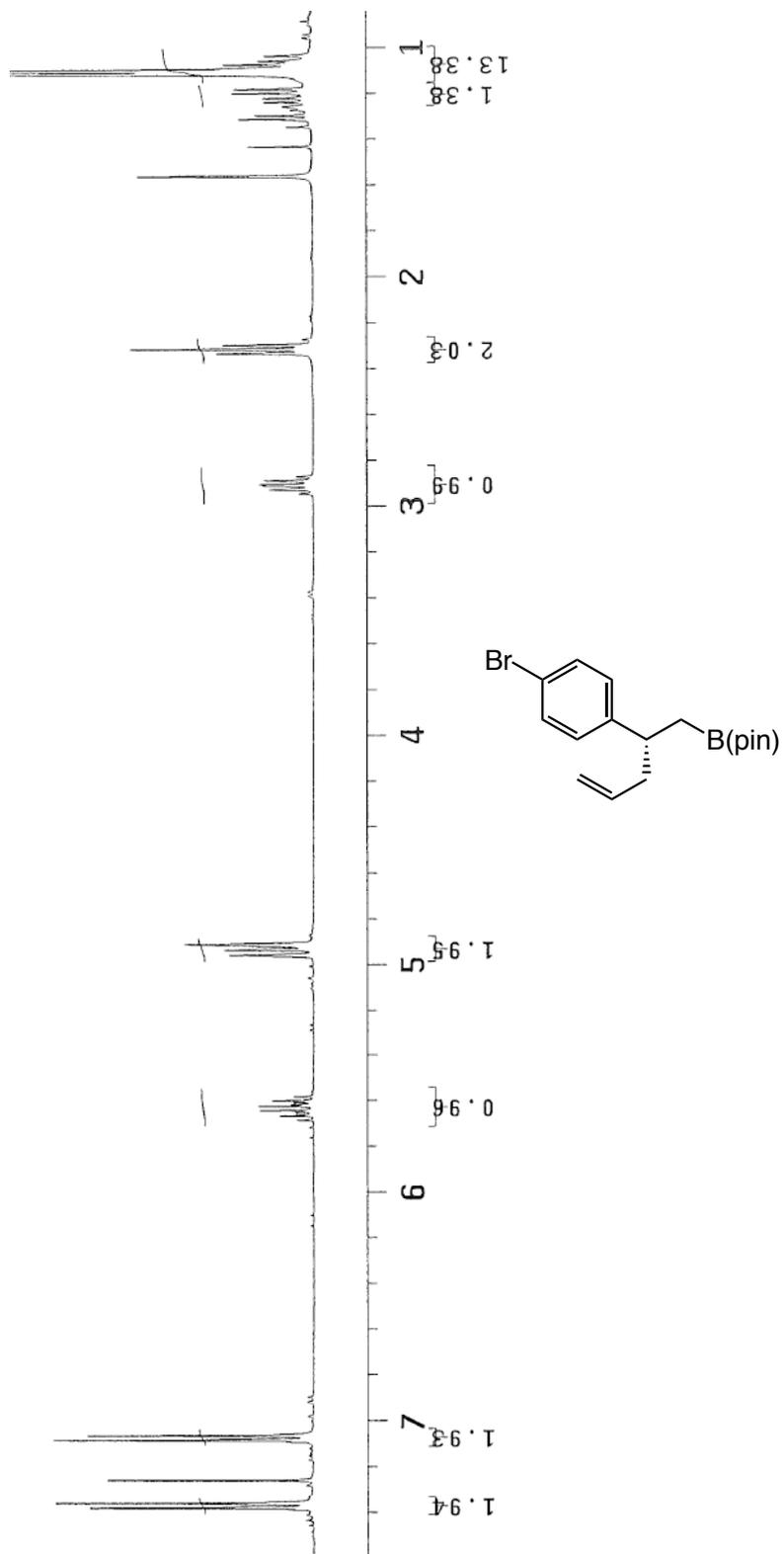
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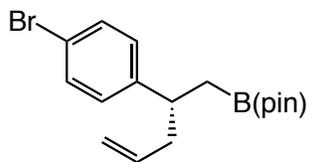
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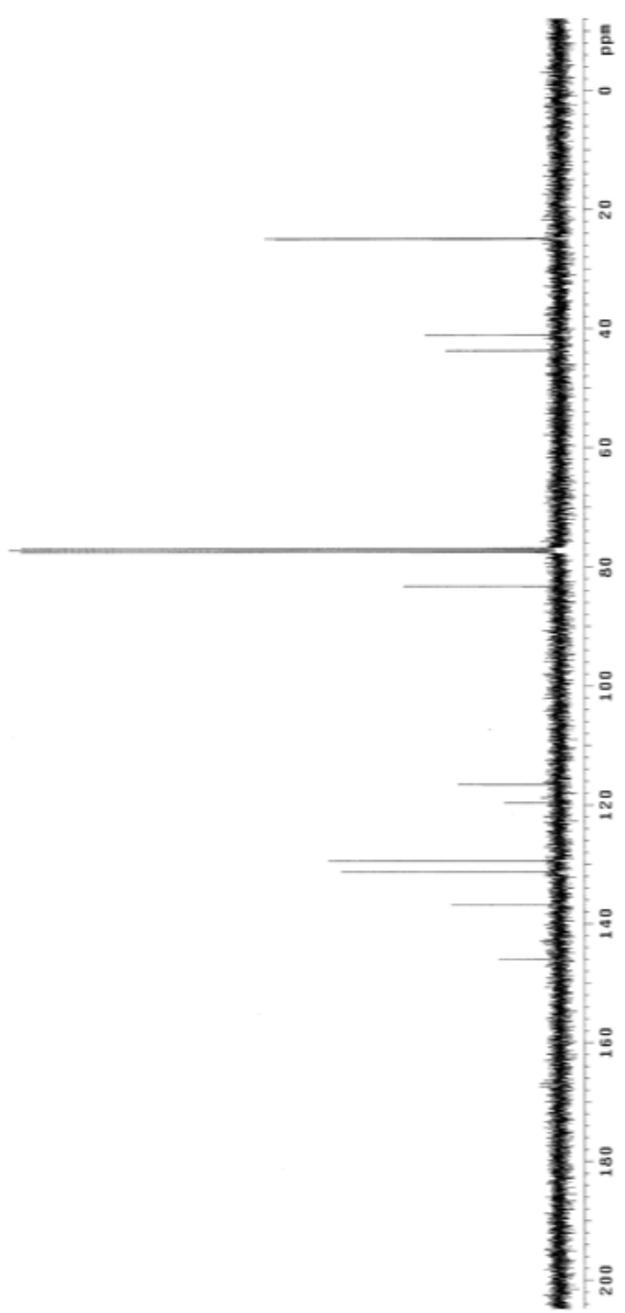
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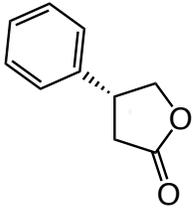




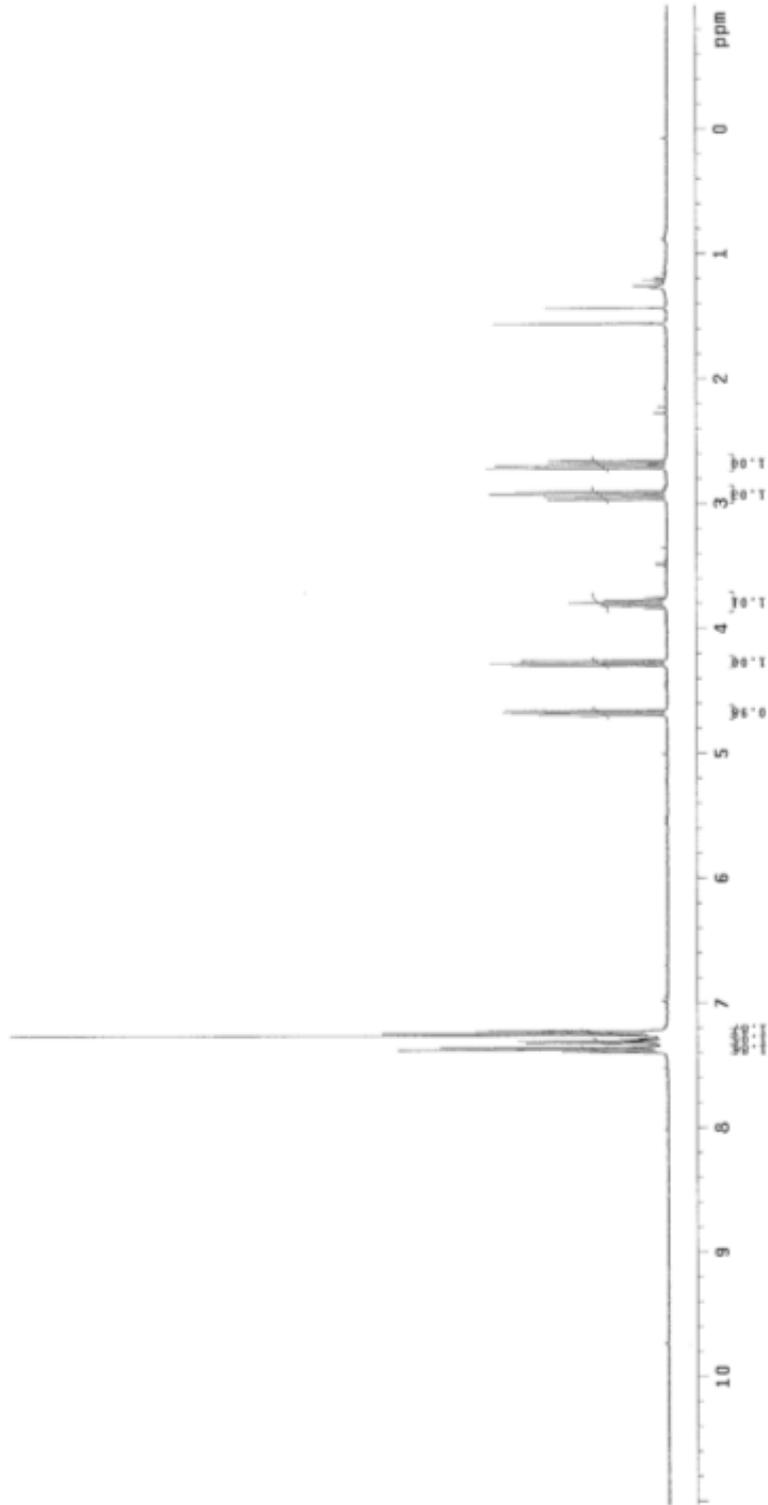


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CHAPTER 2

Versatile Homoallylic Boronates by Chemo-, S_N2' -, Diastereo- and Enantioselective Catalytic Sequence of Cu–H Addition to Vinyl-B(pin)/Allylic Substitution

2.1 Introduction

Catalytic methods for enantioselective preparation of boron-substituted stereogenic center are highly desired in organic chemistry.¹ To generate such entities, the Hoveyda laboratory has developed a sulfonate-containing chiral NHC–Cu catalyzed regio-, chemo-, S_N2' -, diastereo-, and enantioselective multicomponent reaction through Cu–H addition to readily available vinyl–B(pin) followed by allylic substitution to deliver homoallylic boronates. The derived homoallylic alcohols can be used as building blocks of biologically active molecules (see section 2.3.4 for applications). As discussed previously, high regio-, chemo-, and enantioselectivity are crucial to generate the desired products (see Chapter 1 for more details). In addition, development of high S_N2' - and diastereoselective allylic substitutions with 1,2-disubstituted allylic electrophiles remains a challenging problems even if the required organo-copper complex would be generated

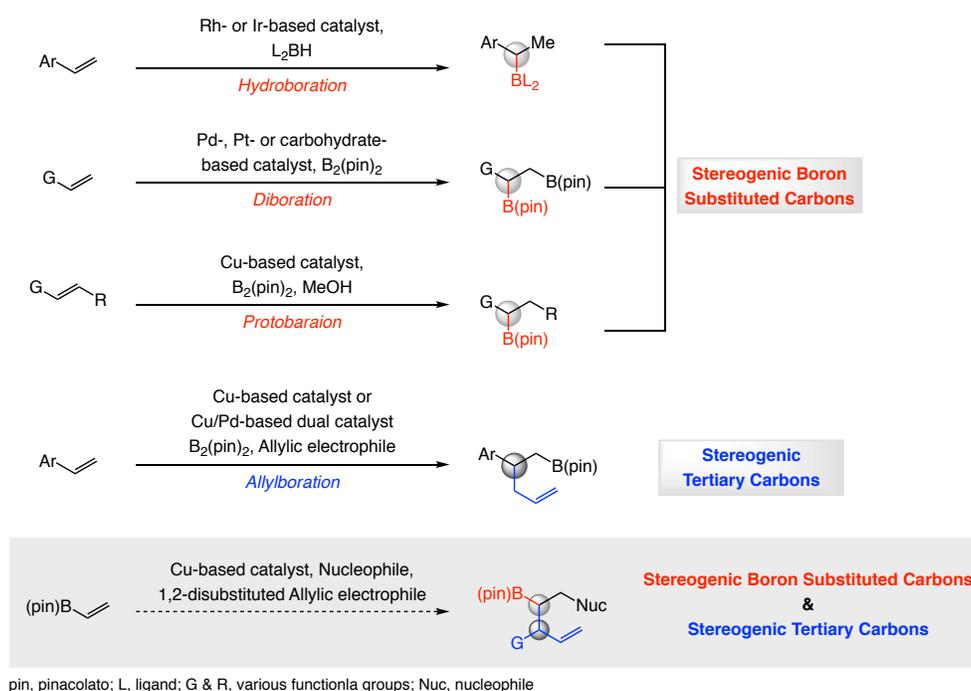
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2.2 Background

Recent enantioselective hydroboration of alkenes with precious Rh- or Ir-based complexes² are used to generate boron-substituted stereogenic centers. Pt-, Pd-, or carbohydrates-derived catalysts^{1b,3} can also be used through the addition of diborons to various alkenes (Scheme 2.1). More complex multicomponent catalytic methods for the enantioselective preparation of valuable boron-containing organic molecules have been

Scheme 2.1. Previously Reported Catalytic Enantioselective Methods and New Strategy



developed through Cu–B addition to an alkene followed by in-situ protonation (protoboryl addition, Scheme 2.1)⁴ or allylic substitution (boron-allyl addition, Scheme 2.1)⁵.

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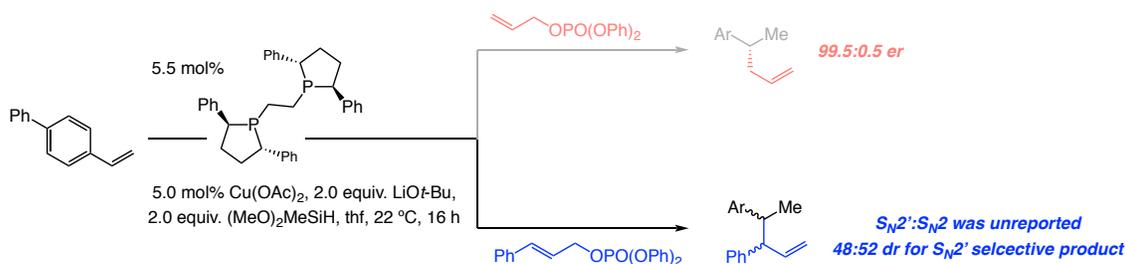
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Although the previous systems provide useful alternative pathways to furnish boron containing complex molecules, they are limited to generate only either stereogenic boron substituted carbons or stereogenic tertiary carbons (Scheme 2.1). We envisioned that a complementary disconnection to generate both stereogenic boron and alkyl substituted carbons would entail enantioselective Cu–H addition⁶ to commercially available vinyl-B(pin) and an ensuing S_N2' selective allylic substitution involving a 1,2-disubstituted alkene (Scheme 2.1).

2.2.1 Importance and Challenges of the Desired Reaction

According to the reported Cu–H catalyzed non-boron-related multicomponent allylic substitution reactions, it is very difficult to produce the desired products in high

Scheme 2.2. Challenge of S_N2'- and Diastereoselective Multicomponent Reaction with 1,2-Disubstituted Electrophile



diastereoselectivity despite Cu–H addition to alkenes being highly enantioselective^{6f} (Scheme 2.2). The same issue was found in the reaction involving (*E*)-1,2-disubstituted alkenyl-B(pin) substrates and allylphosphate with bis-phosphine-Cu catalysts. The

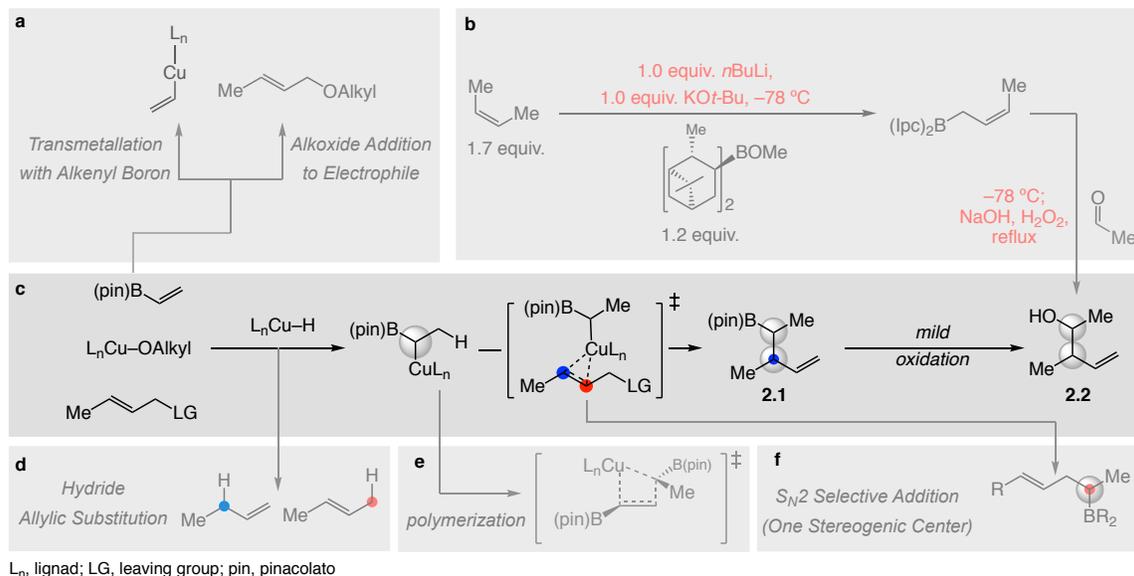
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method is very useful to generate products with a single stereogenic center. However, the

Scheme 2.3. Multicomponent Strategy vs Previously Reported Strategy



only reported case with an (*E*)-1,2-disubstituted allylic phosphate furnished the desired product in 78:22 dr and 73:27 er.⁷ The new approach from the Hoveyda laboratory to obtain a homoallylic (*pin*)B-substituted carbon stereogenic center under mild catalytic conditions could provide a solution to most of the difficulties associated with the $\text{S}_\text{N}2'$ - and diastereoselective allylic substitution steps (Scheme 2.3c vs Scheme 2.3e). The desired product with (*E*)-butenyl electrophile is particularly interesting and important since the secondary alcohol product (**2.2**, Scheme 2.3) from **2.1** could also be expected from the stereoselective crotyl addition to acetaldehyde (Scheme 2.3b)⁸ which generally requires superbase and cryogenic temperature to get high selectivities, and to the best of our knowledge, catalytic diastereo- and enantioselective crotylations⁹ have not been

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developed yet for transformation of **2.2**. For the successful multicomponent reaction to occur, a chiral catalyst must promote efficient, diastereo-, and enantioselective Cu–H addition followed by allylic substitution in preference to two potentially competing routes. One pathway could involve reaction of Cu-alkoxide with vinyl-B(pin) (vs. a hydride reagent) to yield a vinyl-Cu complex (Scheme 2.2a), which might then react with an allylic electrophile;¹⁰ alternatively, the Cu–H might react directly with the allylic electrophile (Scheme 2.2d).¹¹ The organo-copper complex does not participate in the polymerization pathway presumably because of the high energy barrier caused by two bulky B(pin) groups approaching each other (Scheme 2.2e). Additionally, controlling stereoselectivities in alkylation step is very difficult (Scheme 2.2c and Scheme 2.2f). Despite the number of challenges, our group demonstrated that a sulfonate-containing chiral NHC–Cu complex can efficiently promote the general transformation in Scheme 2.3c with high chemo-, S_N2'-, diastereo-, and enantioselectivity.¹²

2.3 Catalytic Stereoselective Functionalization of Vinyl-B(pin)

2.3.1 Identification of an Effective Stereoselective Cu-Based Catalyst

Various commercially available chiral phosphine ligands were tested to promote the process involving vinyl-B(pin), (*E*)-1,2-disubstituted allylic phosphate **2.3** with polymethylhydrosiloxane (PMHS).¹³ In most cases, the product from S_N2 mode of addition was the major and exclusive component with very poor stereoselectivity (low

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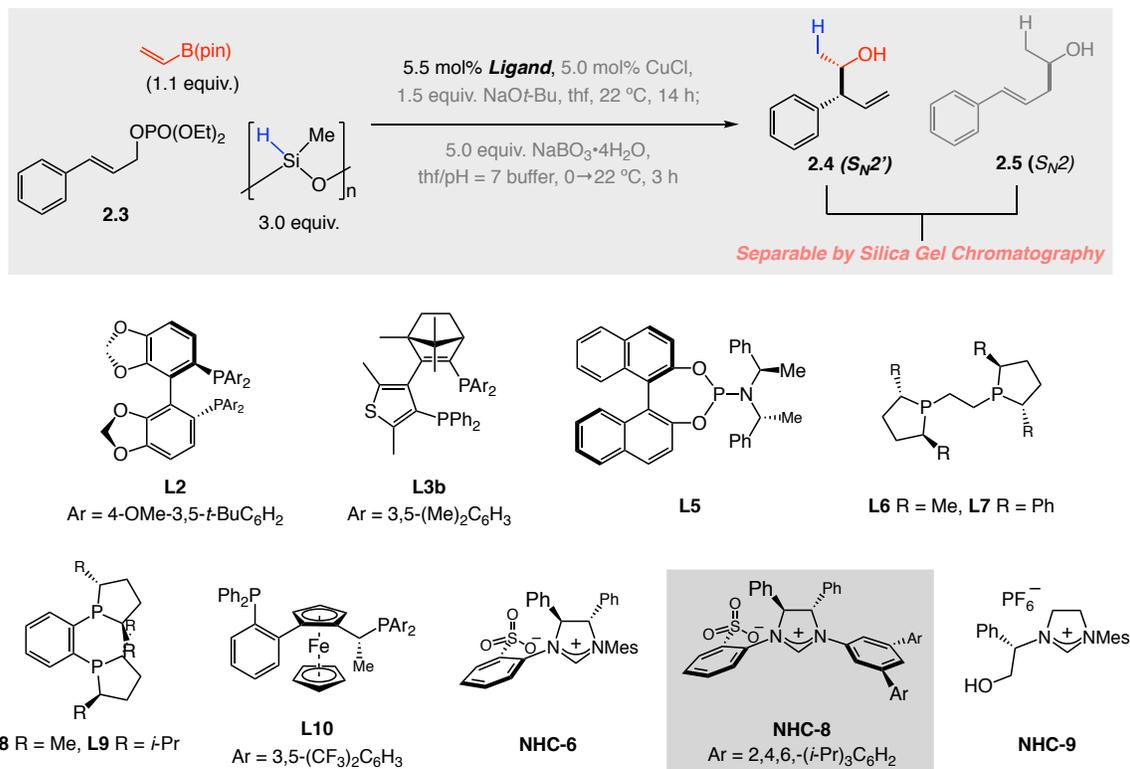
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dr/er, entry 1–8, Table 2.1). This was somewhat surprising since those chiral phosphines

Table 2.1. Examination of Different Types of Cu Complexes^a



Entry	Ligand	Conv. (%)§	Yield (%)§§	<i>S_N2'</i> : <i>S_N2</i> (%)†	er (<i>S_N2</i>)††	dr (<i>S_N2'</i>)††	er (<i>S_N2'</i>)††
1	L2	>98	ND (<i>S_N2'</i>), 25 (<i>S_N2</i>)	21:79	47:53	62:38	ND
2	L3b	>98	ND (<i>S_N2'</i>), 25 (<i>S_N2</i>)	28:72	47:53	68:32	ND
3	L5	50	ND (<i>S_N2'</i>), 25 (<i>S_N2</i>)	27:73	52:48	68:32	ND
4	L6	>98	NA (<i>S_N2'</i>), 95 (<i>S_N2</i>)	2:>98	55:44	NA	NA
5	L7	>98	ND (<i>S_N2'</i>), 44 (<i>S_N2</i>)	2:98	50:50	ND	ND
6	L8	75	NA (<i>S_N2'</i>), 31 (<i>S_N2</i>)	2:>98	51:49	NA	NA
7	L9	>98	NA (<i>S_N2'</i>), 61 (<i>S_N2</i>)	2:>98	41:59	NA	NA
8	L10	80	30 (<i>S_N2'</i>), ND (<i>S_N2</i>)	67:33	ND	92:8	60:40 (major diast.)
9	NHC-6	>98	74 (<i>S_N2'</i>), NA (<i>S_N2</i>)	>98:2	NA	13:87	80:20 (major diast.)
10	NHC-8	83	59 (<i>S_N2'</i>), ND (<i>S_N2</i>)	94:6	ND	94:6	94:6 (major diast.)
11	NHC-9	85	58 (<i>S_N2'</i>), 8 (<i>S_N2</i>)	69:31	ND	31:69	47:53 (major diast.)

^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. § Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (**2.3**) and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. §§ Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. † *S_N2'*- and diastereoselectivity were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. †† Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details. ND, not determined. NA, not applicable; Mes, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl; pin, pinacolato.

have been shown to be optimal in several transformations that begin with enantioselective Cu–H addition to an alkene (**L2**,^{6d,14} **L7**,^{6f–h} and **L10**⁷, Table 2.1). We took these findings

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as an indication that the desired sequence of reactions demands a distinct set of catalysts. Results were more encouraging with *N*-heterocyclic carbene (NHC) systems (entry 9–11, Table 2.1). With **NHC-9**¹⁵ as a NHC–Cu complex precursor, **2.4** (S_N2' selective product) was the major component of the product mixture (S_N2' : S_N2 = 69:31, entry 11, Table 2.1) but stereoselectivity remained very low (31:69 dr and 47:53 er, entry 9, Table 2.1). There was further important observation with the NHC–Cu complex derived from sulfonate-containing **NHC-6**,¹⁶ which afforded **2.4** (S_N2' selective product) exclusively and in appreciable dr and er [13:87 dr and 80:20 er (for the major diastereomer), respectively]. Another unexpected observation was that the catalyst derived from **NHC-8**,¹⁷ where the Mes unit (2,4,6-trimethylphenyl) is replaced by a 3,5-(2,4,6-triisopropoylphenyl) group, high S_N2' : S_N2 ratio persisted (94:6) with stereoselectivity improving greatly as well (94:6 dr and er for major diastereomer of **2.4**). Interestingly, modification of the aryl group in the sulfonate-containing chiral NHC ligand can reverse diastereoselectivity although the chirality of the ligand was not changed (see the calculation in the Experimental section for further mechanistic study and discussion).

2.3.2 Optimal Base and Scope with Aryl-Substituted Electrophiles

A large number of different aryl-substituted allylic phosphates could be converted to homoallylic boronates, which were isolated as the corresponding alcohols after mild C–B bond oxidation (Scheme 2.4). Reactions were performed at ambient temperature with 5.5 mol % **NHC-8** and 5.0 mol % CuCl along with three equivalents of inexpensive

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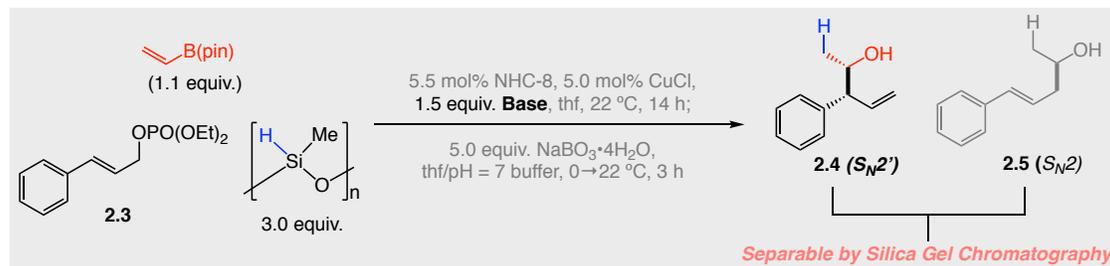
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PMHS and with LiOt-Bu which was identified as an optimal base with further base screening (entry 3, Table 2.2). Only a small excess of vinyl-B(pin) sufficed (1.1 equiv.)

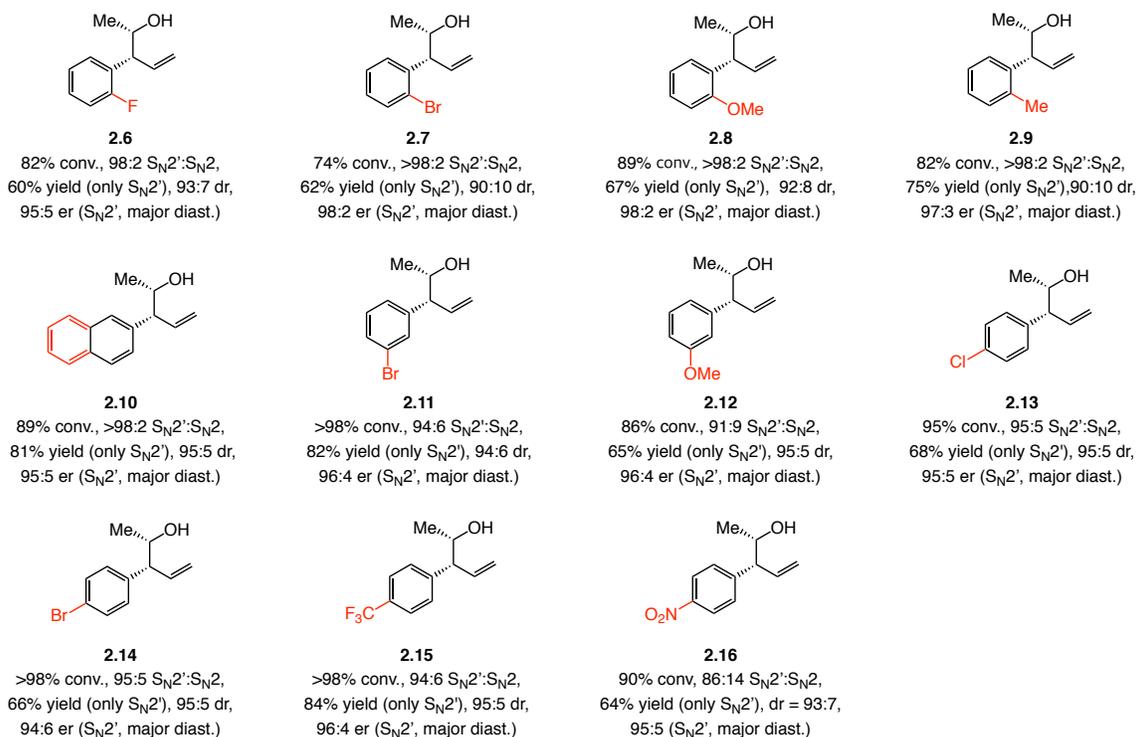
Table 2.2. Examination of Different Bases^a



Entry	Base	Conv. (%)§	Yield (%)§§	S _N 2':S _N 2 (%)†	er (S _N 2)††	dr (S _N 2')†	er (S _N 2')††
1	NaOMe	35	9 (S _N 2'), ND (S _N 2)	71:29	ND	97:3	95:5 (major diast.)
2	KOMe	<2	NA (S _N 2'), NA (S _N 2)	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	LiOt-Bu	95	66 (S _N 2'), ND (S _N 2)	95:5	ND	96:4	95:5 (major diast.)
4	NaOt-Bu	83	59 (S _N 2'), ND (S _N 2)	94:6	ND	94:6	94:6 (major diast.)
5	KOt-Bu	<2	NA (S _N 2'), NA (S _N 2)	NA	NA	NA	NA
6	NaOPh	9	ND (S _N 2'), ND (S _N 2)	ND	ND	ND	ND

^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. § Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (2.3) and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. §§ Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. † S_N2'- and diastereoselectivity were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. †† Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details. ND, not determined; NA, not applicable; pin, pinacolato.

to get reasonable amount of desire products. Under the optimal condition, uniformly high S_N2' selectivity (S_N2':S_N2, 84:14 to >98:2, Scheme 2.4) was observed along with synthetically useful level of diastereo- and enantioselectivity for the formation of **2.6**–**2.16** (90:10 to 96:4 dr, 94:6 to 98:2 er, Scheme 2.4). Pure **2.6**–**2.16** were obtained in 60–84% yield after simple silica gel chromatography. Transformations proceeded with similarly high efficiency and selectivity regardless of whether the aryl group within the allylic phosphate was sterically hindered (**2.7**–**2.10**), electron withdrawing (**2.15** and **2.16**) or electron donating (**2.8** and **2.12**). The lower S_N2' selectivity with **2.16** may be attributed to direct alkylation of the exceptionally electrophilic *p*-nitrophenyl-substituted allylphosphate (vs. Cu–alkene complexation and allyl transfer).

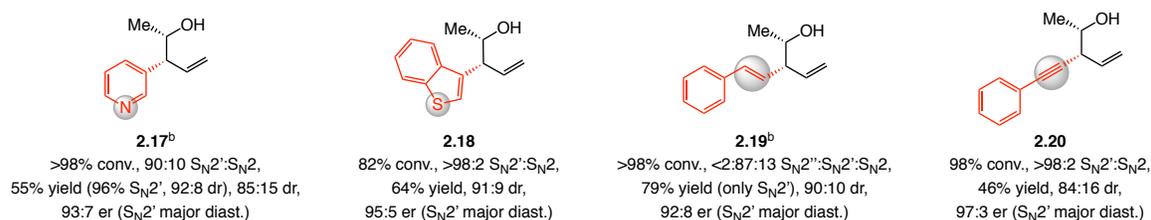
Scheme 2.4. Reactions with Aryl-Substituted Allylic Phosphates^a

^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (allylic phosphate) and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. S_N2' and diastereoselectivity were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details.

2.3.3 Wide Functional Group Tolerance

Allyl electrophiles containing a heteroaromatic cycle such as pyridyl or benzothiophene group can be used (**2.17** and **2.18**, Scheme 2.5). However, S_N2':S_N2 and diastereoselectivities were somewhat lower and the final product contained a small amount of impurities from the S_N2 addition with pyridinyl allyl electrophile (**2.17**, Scheme 2.5). Similar results were obtained with a dienylphosphate (**2.19**, Scheme 2.5). The transformation with the corresponding enynylphosphate (**2.20**) was more S_N2' (>98% vs 87% for **2.19**) and enantioselective (97:3 vs 92:8 er for **2.19**). In the case of **2.19**, none of the product from S_N2'' mode of reaction was detected, and the lower yield for **2.20** (46%) might be due to competitive Cu–H addition to the alkynyl group.¹⁸

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Scheme 2.5. High Functional Group Compatibilities^a

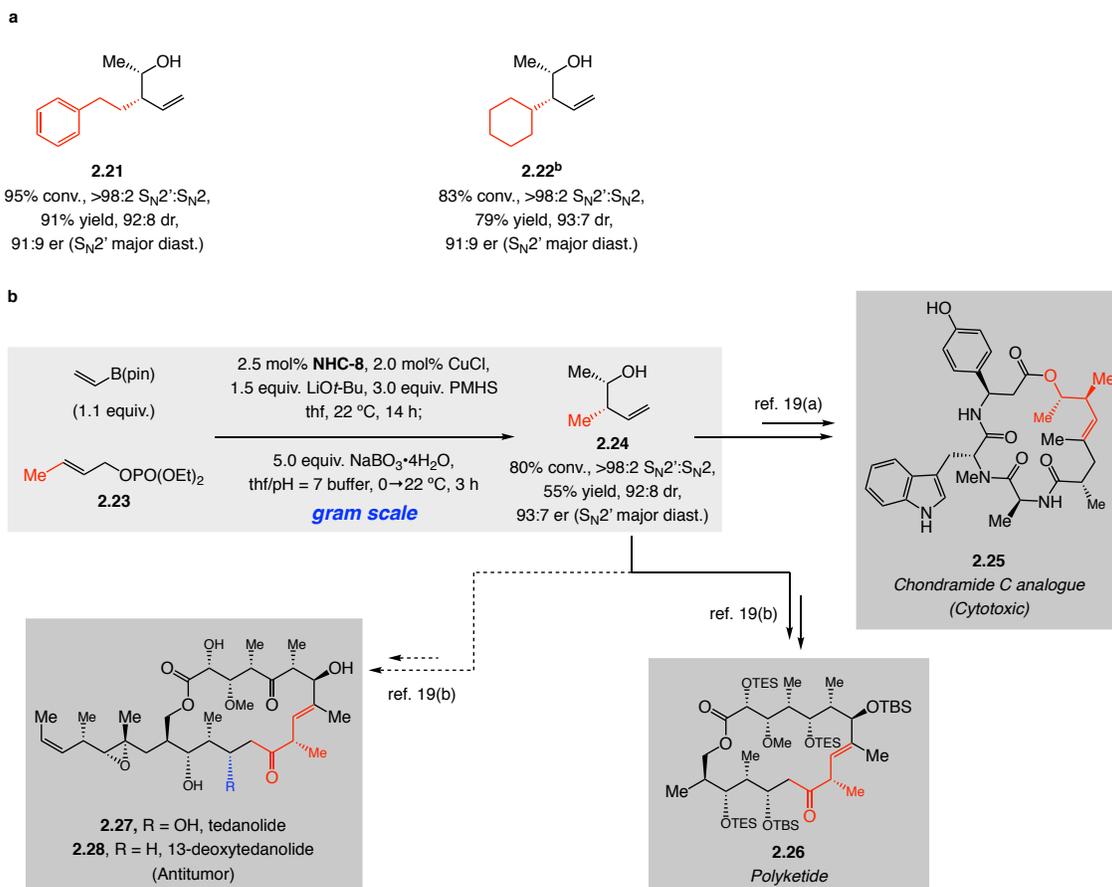
^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (allylic phosphate) and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. S_N2' and diastereoselectivity were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. ^b 7.0 mol% NHC–Cu complex was used. See the Experimental section for details.

2.3.4 Scope with Alkyl-Substituted Electrophiles and Utilities

Branched and linear alkyl-substituted allylic phosphates are also suitable substrates in the desired transformation (Scheme 2.6). As highlighted by synthesis of **2.21** and **2.22** (Scheme 2.6), while somewhat less enantioselective compared to when aryl-substituted allylic phosphates are utilized (Scheme 2.4), reaction with the larger cyclohexyl-substituted allylic phosphate was efficient with 7.0 mol % catalyst loading. In both cases, S_N2' selectivities were exceptional (>98%), and diastereoselectivities were high (92:8–93:7 dr) with high efficiencies (91% and 79% yield, respectively). Of special value are the transformations involving Me-substituted allylic phosphate **2.23**, which, when performed on 5.0 mmol scale and with 2.0 mol % catalyst loading, afforded **2.24** in 55% yield (volatile compound), >98:2 S_N2':S_N2, 92:8 dr, and 93:7 er after purification (Scheme 2.6). This is a valuable fragment that has been used in a total synthesis of a biologically active analog of natural product chondramide C **2.25**^{19a} as well as complex polyketide **2.26** which was synthesized as a model complex for total synthesis of antitumor active natural products tedanolide **2.27** and 13-deoxytedanolide **2.28**.^{19b}

Fujihara, T.; Xu, T.; Terao, J.; Tsuji, Y. *Adv. Synth. Catal.* **2012**, *354*, 1542–1550. (b) Shi, S.-L.; Buchwald, S. L. *Nat. Chem.* **2015**, *7*, 38–44. (c) Uehling, M. R.; Suess, A. M.; Lalic, G. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 1424–1427.

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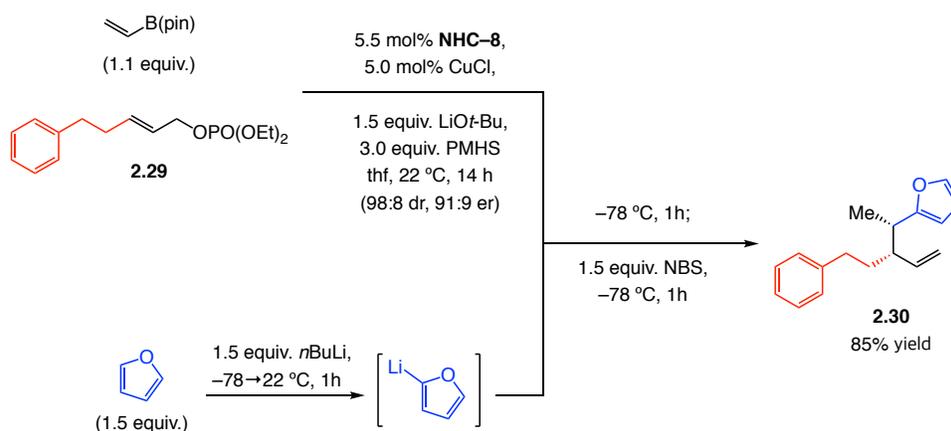
Scheme 2.6. Reactions with Alkyl-Substituted Allylic Phosphates and Utility^a

^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent (allylic phosphate) and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 5\%$. S_N2' and diastereoselectivity were determined by NMR analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 2\%$. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\pm 1\%$. 7.0 mol% NHC-Cu complex was used. See the Experimental section for details. pin, pinacolato; PMHS, polymethylhydrosiloxane.

Previously, however, preparation of enantiomerically pure **2.24** entailed the use of Brown's chiral auxiliary,²⁰ necessitating somewhat forcing conditions along with the use of stoichiometric amounts of an exceptionally strong base (*n*BuLi/KOt-Bu to give *n*BuK, see Scheme 2.3b for the detailed reaction conditions). Another functionalization procedure entails conversion of the homoallylic boronate formed by the reaction of allylic phosphate **2.29** to the corresponding 2-furyl product **2.30** (Scheme 2.7).²¹

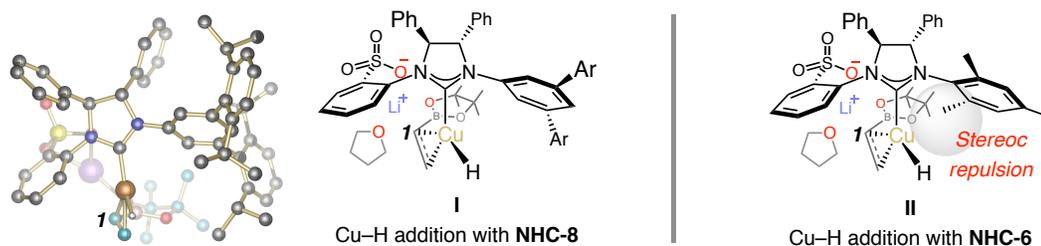
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Scheme 2.7. Functionalization of Secondary Boronic Ester

2.3.5 Unique Effectiveness of NHC–Copper Complex

For insights regarding the unique effectiveness of **NHC-8**-derived catalyst and the selectivity differences with **NHC-6** (Table 2.1), a series of DFT calculations were carried out. The studies indicate that the most favored mode of Cu-H addition to vinyl-B(pin) with **NHC-8** probably arises from coordination of pinacolato oxygen atom to the

Scheme 2.8. Enantioselective Cu-H Addition to Vinyl-B(pin)^a

^a Computations have been performed at the $\text{MN12SX/Def2TZVPP}_{\text{thf}}(\text{SMD})$ level after geometry optimization performed with the ONIOM method $\text{M06L/Def2SVP:UFF}_{\text{thf}}(\text{PCM})$. $\text{Ar} = 2,6\text{-}(\text{iPr})_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3$. See the Experimental sections for details.

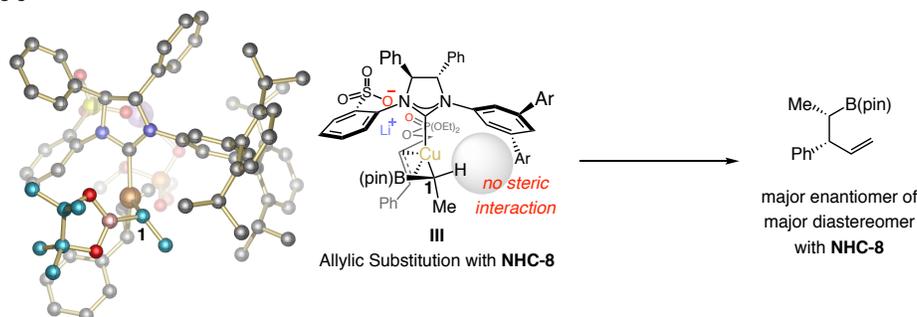
alkali metal counter-ion Li^+ (**I**, Scheme 2.8).²² The corresponding mode of reaction with the **NHC-Cu** complex derived from **NHC-6** (Scheme 2.8) suffers from steric repulsion

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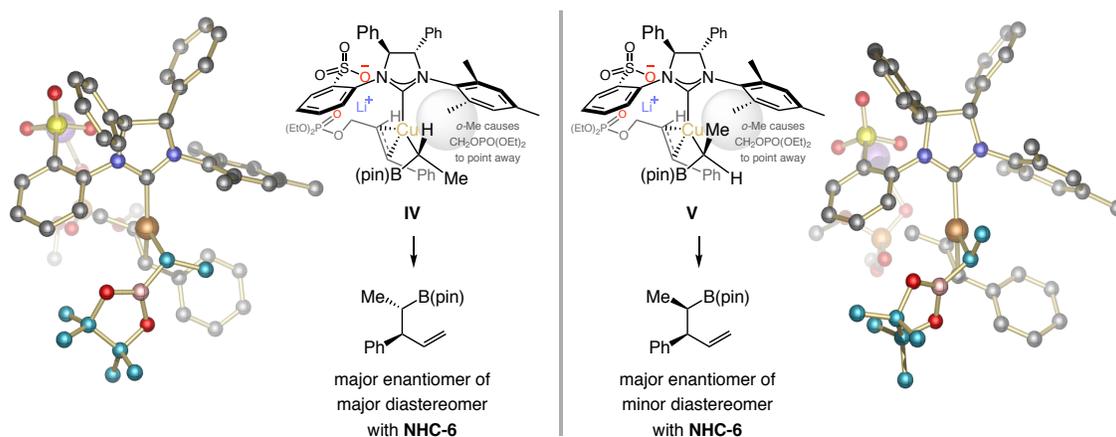
between an *o*-methyl substituent of the ligand (**II**), resulting in diminished *er*. Allylic substitution with **NHC-8** is most favorable with the allyl electrophile approaching such that chelation with the more Lewis acidic Li cation is the most effective and there is less steric repulsion between its substituent (Ph from allylic phosphate) and the NHC's

Scheme 2.9. Diastereoselective Allylic Substitution^a

a. with **NHC-8**



b. with **NHC-6**



^a Computations have been performed at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{int}(SMD) level after geometry optimization performed with the ONIOM method M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{int}(PCM). A *r* = 2,6-(iPr)₂C₆H₃. See the Experimental sections for details.

sizeable *N*-aryl moieties (**III**, Scheme 2.9).²³ Another consequence of the sulfonate/Li/phosphate chelation is the exceptional S_N2'-selectivity; otherwise, as is the case with the transformations involving phosphine ligands, the linear products are generated preferentially to minimize steric repulsions (**2.5**, Table 2.1). In **IV** and **V**,

(23) A similar mode of reaction was recently proposed (based on DFT calculations) for enantioselective allylic substitutions reactions involving propargylcopper intermediates and the same class of allylic phosphates. See: Shi, Y.; Jung, B.; Torker, S.; Hoveyda, A. H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 8948–8964.

arising from the **NHC-6**-based Cu complex (Scheme 2.9), the allyl electrophile is forced to coordinate with its CH₂OPO(OEt)₂ moiety pointing away from the large mesityl group²³ to generate different diastereomers from the product with **NHC-8**.

2.4 Conclusions

A highly chemo-, S_N2'-, diastereo-, and enantioselective multicomponent catalytic method that efficiently combines a silyl hydride, vinyl-B(pin), and (*E*)-1,2-disubstituted allylic phosphates is developed. The reaction is prompted by a Cu-based complex with a chiral sulfonate-containing *N*-heterocyclic carbene to access valuable homoallylic borons and alcohols which are typically obtained through challenging stereoselective crotyl-type additions to acetaldehyde. Aryl-, heteroaryl-, alkenyl-, alkynyl-, and alkyl-substituted allylic phosphates can be converted to the corresponding homoallylic boronates and then alcohols (after C–B bond oxidation) in 46–91% yield and in up to >98% S_N2':S_N2 ratio, 96:4 diastereomeric ratio, and 98:2 enantiomeric ratio. In addition, we provided further evidence regarding the importance of sulfonate-containing chiral NHC ligands to get high selectivities. These Cu-based complexes have formerly proven optimal in catalyzing enantioselective allylic substitution reactions^{17,24} and conjugate addition processes^{16,25} with C-based nucleophiles as well as Cu–B(pin) additions to alkenes²⁶ and allenes²⁷. However, this is the first time that a member of the sulfonate-containing chiral NHC–Cu complex class has emerged as the most effective for enantioselective Cu–H additions to alkenes.

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2.5 Experimentals

2.5.1 General

Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker FT-IR Alpha (ATR mode) spectrophotometer, ν_{\max} in cm^{-1} . Bands are characterized as broad (br), strong (s), medium (m), and weak (w). ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity INOVA 400 (400 MHz), 500 (500 MHz), or 600 (600 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 7.26 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, pent = pentet, m = multiplet, br = broad, app = apparent), and coupling constants (Hz). ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity INOVA 400 (100 MHz), 500 (125 MHz), or 600 (150 MHz) spectrometers with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 77.16 ppm). High-resolution mass spectrometry was performed on a JEOL AccuTOF DART (positive mode) at the Mass Spectrometry Facility, Boston College. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis (high-performance liquid chromatography) with a Shimadzu chromatograph [Chiral Technologies Chiralcel AZ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OC-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OD-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OJ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OZ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), or Chiral Technologies Chiralpak AD-H (4.6 x 250 mm)] in comparison with authentic racemic materials. Specific rotations were measured on a Rudolph Research Analytical Autopol IV Polarimeter. Melting points were measured on a Thomas Hoover capillary melting point apparatus and are

uncorrected.

Unless otherwise noted, reactions were carried out with distilled and degassed solvents under an atmosphere of dry N₂ in oven- (135 °C) or flame-dried glassware with standard dry box or vacuum-line techniques. Dichloromethane was purified under a positive pressure of dry argon by a modified Innovative Technologies purification system through a copper oxide and alumina column. Tetrahydrofuran (Aldrich Chemical Co.) was purified by distillation from sodium benzophenone ketyl immediately prior to use. All work-up and purification procedures were carried out with reagent grade solvents (purchased from Fisher Scientific) under air.

2.5.2 Reagents

***N*-Bromosuccinimide (NBS):** purchased from Alfa Aesar and recrystallized from H₂O.

Buffer solution pH = 7.0 (20 °C): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

***n*-Butyllithium (1.6 M in hexanes):** purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Chiral imidazolinium salt (NHC-6): prepared according to previously reported procedure.²⁸

Chiral imidazolinium salt (NHC-8): prepared according to previously reported procedure.²⁹

Chiral imidazolinium salt (NHC-9): prepared according to previously reported procedure.³⁰

Chiral phosphine ligand (L2, L3b, L5–L10): purchased from Strem and used as

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received.

Copper(I) chloride: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Furan: purchased from Aldrich and purified by washing with aqueous 5% KOH, dried with Na₂SO₄, then distilled over KOH under reduced pressure prior to use.

Lithium *tert*-butoxide: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Poly(methylhydrosiloxane) (PMHS): purchased from Alfa Aesar and used as received.

Sodium *tert*-butoxide: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Sodium perborate tetrahydrate (NaBO₃•4H₂O): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-vinyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane: purchased from Combi-blocks and distilled over CaH₂ under reduced pressure prior to use.

Triethylamine (Et₃N): purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

■ **Preparation of Allylic Phosphates:** Allylic alcohols were synthesized from the corresponding ester by a two-step Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons olefin synthesis/dibal-H reduction sequence. Subsequently, allylic alcohols were converted to the corresponding allylic phosphates based on established methods^{31,32} The following substrates were prepared according to the above sequence. Characterization data matched those reported previously.

(*E*)-Diethyl 3-phenylprop-2-enyl phosphate (substrate for 2.4)³³

(*E*)-Diethyl (3-(2-fluorophenyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.6)³⁰

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- (E)-3-(2-Bromophenyl)allyl diethyl phosphate (substrate for 2.7)**³⁰
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(2-methoxyphenyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.8)**³⁴
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(*o*-tolyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.9)**³⁴
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(naphthalen-2-yl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.10)**³⁵
- (E)-3-(3-Bromophenyl)allyl diethyl phosphate (substrate for 2.11)**³⁴
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(3-methoxyphenyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.12)**³⁶
- (E)-3-(4-Chlorophenyl)allyl diethyl phosphate (substrate for 2.13)**³⁴
- (E)-3-(4-Bromophenyl)allyl diethyl phosphate (substrate for 2.14)**³⁷
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.15)**³⁰
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(4-nitrophenyl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.16)**³⁸
- (E)-Diethyl (3-(pyridin-3-yl)allyl) phosphate (substrate for 2.17)**³¹
- (E)-Diethyl (5-phenylpent-2-en-1-yl) phosphate (substrate for 2.21)**³⁴
- (E)-3-Cyclohexylallyl diethyl phosphate (substrate for 2.22)**³⁴
- (E)-But-2-en-1-yl diethyl phosphate (2.23)**³⁹
- (E)-3-(Benzo[*b*]thiophen-3-yl)allyl diethyl phosphate (substrate for 2.18):** IR (neat): 2983 (w), 1655 (w), 1510 (w), 1259 (s), 1164 (w), 1002 (s), 957 (s), 851 (m), 756 (s), 729 (s), 669 (w), 523 (m), 421 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.91 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.87 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.48 (1H, s), 7.44–7.38 (2H, m), 6.96 (1H, d, *J* = 15.2 Hz),

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6.44–6.36 (1H, m), 4.77 (1H, dd, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz), 4.75 (1H, dd, $J = 8.4, 1.2$ Hz), 4.16 (4H, m), 1.36 (6H, t, $J = 6.8$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 140.5, 137.6, 132.9, 126.2, 125.3 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.8$ Hz), 124.7, 124.5, 123.4, 123.0, 122.0, 68.1 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 5.3$ Hz), 64.0 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 5.3$ Hz), 16.3 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.8$ Hz); HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4\text{PS}$ $[\text{M}]^+$: 326.0742; Found: 326.0747.

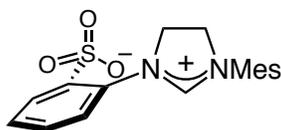
Diethyl ((2*E*,4*E*)-5-phenylpenta-2,4-dien-1-yl) phosphate (substrate for 2.19): IR (neat): 2983 (w), 1976 (w), 1449 (w), 1260 (m), 1165 (w), 1017 (s), 965 (s), 851 (m), 749 (m), 693 (m), 507 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.41–7.39 (2H, m), 7.34–7.30 (2H, m), 7.25–7.22 (1H, m), 6.77 (1H, dd, $J = 15.6, 10.8$ Hz), 6.60 (1H, d, $J = 15.6$ Hz), 6.48 (1H, dd, $J = 15.2, 10.4$ Hz), 5.90 (1H, dt, $J = 15.2, 6.4$ Hz), 4.64 (1H, dd, $J = 6.4, 1.2$ Hz), 4.62 (1H, dd, $J = 6.8, 1.2$ Hz), 4.13 (4H, m), 1.35 (6H, td, $J = 7.2, 0.8$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 137.0, 134.4, 134.3, 128.8, 128.0, 127.6, 127.3 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.1$ Hz), 126.7, 67.8 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 5.3$ Hz), 63.9 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.1$ Hz), 16.3 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.8$ Hz).

(*E*)-Diethyl (5-phenylpent-2-en-4-yn-1-yl) phosphate (substrate for 2.20): IR (neat): 2983 (w), 1490 (w), 1443 (w), 1262 (s), 1004 (s), 950 (s), 846 (m), 800 (m), 755 (s), 690 (s), 582 (w), 527 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.44–7.42 (2H, m), 7.32–7.31 (3H, m), 6.26 (1H, dt, $J = 15.6, 5.6$ Hz), 6.02 (1H, dt, $J = 15.6, 1.6$ Hz), 4.63 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 1.6$ Hz), 4.61 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 1.6$ Hz), 4.17–4.10 (4H, m), 1.35 (6H, t, $J = 6.8$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 136.6, 136.56, 131.7, 128.5 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 11.4$ Hz), 123.1, 113.3, 91.3, 86.8, 66.9 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 5.3$ Hz), 64.1 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.0$ Hz), 16.3 (d, $J_{\text{CP}} = 6.1$ Hz); HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4\text{P}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 295.1099; Found: 295.1098

2.5.3 Representative Procedure and Products

In an N_2 -filled glove box, an oven-dried 2-dram vial with magnetic stir bar was

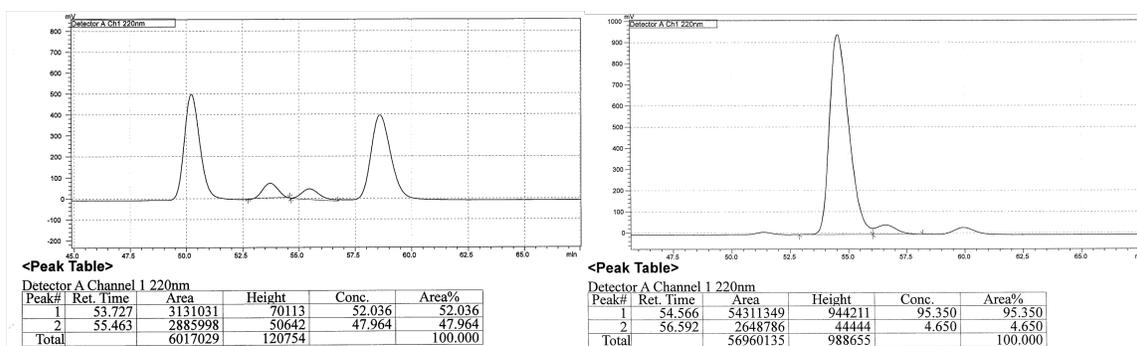
charged with CuCl (0.5 mg, 0.005 mmol), **NHC-8** (4.70 mg, 0.0055 mmol), LiOtBu (12 mg, 0.15 mmol), and freshly distilled tetrahydrofuran (thf, 0.5 mL). The mixture was premixed for 1 h before PMHS (18 mg, 0.30 mmol) and additional thf (0.5 mL) were added. The solution immediately turned dark red. After 1 min, vinyl boronic acid pinacol ester (17 mg, 0.11 mmol), allylic phosphate (27 mg, 0.10 mmol), and thf (0.5 mL) were added. The vial was sealed with electrical tape before removal from the glove box, and the resulting mixture was allowed to stir at 22 °C for 14 h. The mixture was passed through a short plug of basified silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm, 1% of triethylamine) and eluted with Et₂O. Removal of the volatiles *in vacuo* afforded bright yellow oil. To the oil was added thf (1.0 mL), pH = 7.0 buffer solution (1.0 mL), and NaBO₃•4H₂O (77 mg, 0.50 mmol) at 0 °C. The mixture was then allowed to stir at 22 °C for 3 h after which it was washed with Et₂O (3 x 1.0 mL) and the combined organic layers were passed through a short plug of MgSO₄, concentrated and purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes:Et₂O = 10:5, R_f = 0.2) to afford the desired product as colorless oil (10.7 mg, 0.066 mmol, 66% yield). The racemic sample was prepared by the same procedure except through the use of 10 mol % *rac*-NHC and CuCl.

***rac*-NHC**

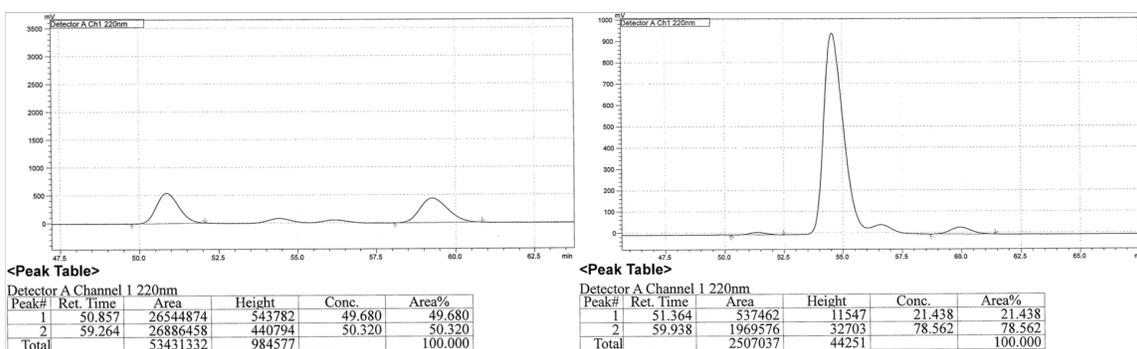
(2*S*,3*R*)-3-Phenylpent-4-en-2-ol (2.4): IR (neat): 3407 (br s), 2972 (w), 2924 (w), 1638 (w), 1493 (w), 1268 (w), 1116 (m), 1056 (m), 993 (m), 757 (m), 700 (s), 672 (m), 530 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40–7.33 (2H, m), 7.27–7.24 (3H, m), 6.09–6.00 (1H, m), 5.16–5.11 (2H, m), 4.07–4.03 (1H, m), 3.25 (1H, t, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 1.47 (1H,

br), 1.24 (3H, dd, $J = 6.0, 0.8$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 141.0, 138.5, 129.0, 128.6, 127.1, 117.1, 70.6, 59.1, 20.9; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{13}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}-\text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$: 145.1017; Found: 145.1013; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -65.02$ (c 0.61, CHCl_3) for a >98% $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$, 96:4 dr, and 95:5 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.4** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; chiralcel OD-H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



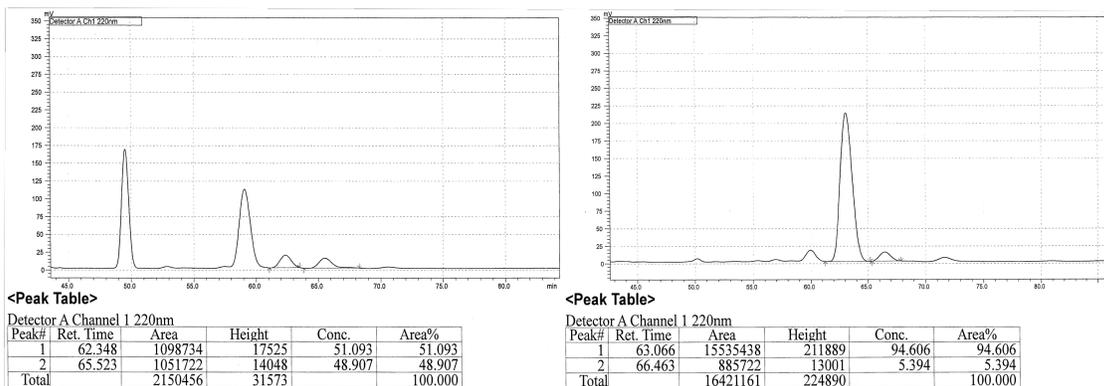
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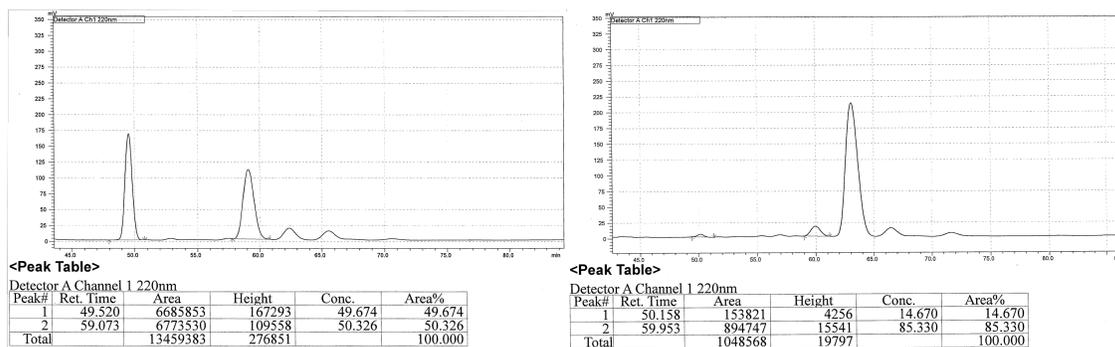
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1	50.857	26544874	49.680	1	51.364	537462	21.438
2	59.264	26886458	50.320	2	59.938	1969576	78.562

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(2-Fluorophenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.6): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3209 (br s), 2925 (m), 1638 (w), 1490 (m), 1454 (m), 1375 (m), 1119 (s), 1058 (s), 800 (w), 753 (s), 603 (w), 401 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.34–7.29 (1H, m), 7.25–7.20 (1H, m), 7.15–7.11 (1H, m), 7.08–7.03 (1H, m), 6.11–6.02 (1H, m), 5.18–5.14 (2H, m), 4.18–4.12 (1H, m), 3.62 (1H, t, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 1.45 (1H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 1.24 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 161.1 (d, *J*_{CF} = 244.4 Hz), 137.3, 129.9 (d, *J*_{CF} = 4.6 Hz), 128.4 (d, *J*_{CF} = 8.4 Hz), 127.9 (d, *J*_{CF} = 14.4 Hz), 124.4 (d, *J*_{CF} = 3.0 Hz), 117.6, 115.9 (d, *J*_{CF} = 22.8 Hz), 69.8, 51.9, 21.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂F [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 163.0929; Found: 163.0923; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –44.30 (*c* 0.46, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 93:7 dr, and 95:5 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.6** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; chiralcel AD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



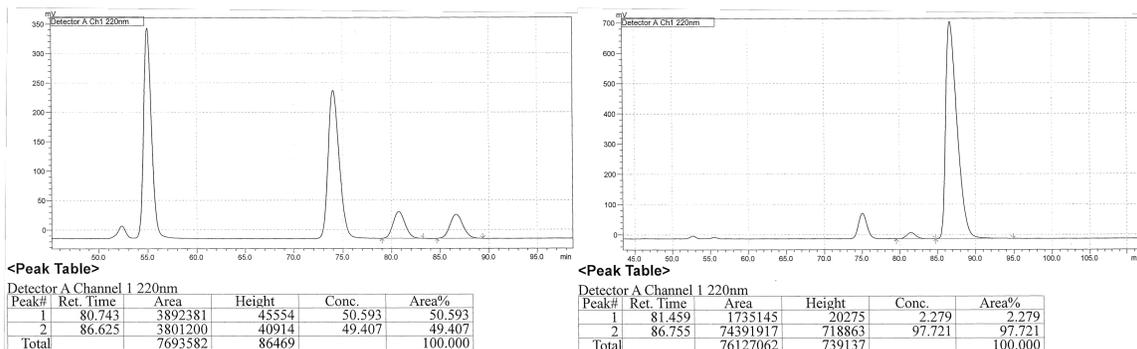
Enantiomeric purity of the minor diastereomers



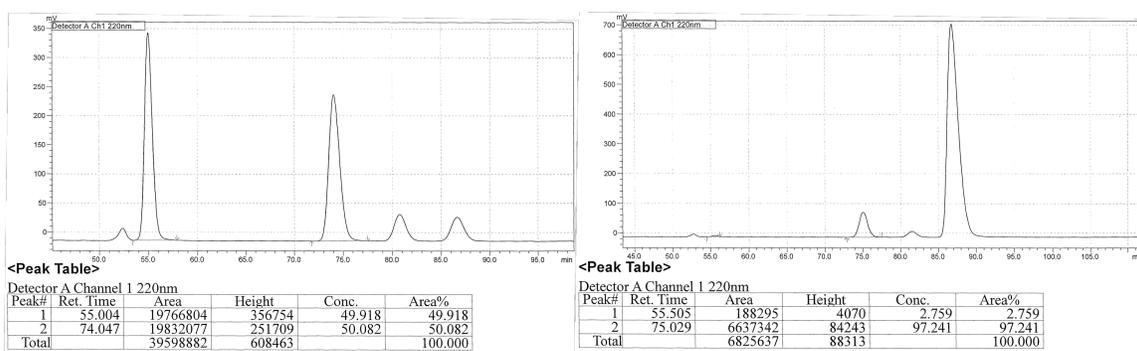
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1	49.520	6685853	49.674	1	50.158	153821	14.670
2	59.073	6773530	50.326	2	59.953	894747	85.330

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(2-Bromophenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.7): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3419 (br s), 2974 (w), 1637 (w), 1437 (m), 1266 (m), 1107 (s), 1020 (s), 993 (m), 816 (w), 422 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz), 7.38 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz), 7.33–7.29 (1H, m), 7.12–7.01 (1H, m), 6.03–5.94 (1H, m), 5.19–5.14 (2H, m), 4.21–4.13 (1H, m), 3.95 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 1.46 (1H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 1.27 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.1, 137.5, 133.5, 129.2, 128.3, 127.8, 126.0, 117.9, 70.2, 56.4, 21.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂Br [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 223.0122; Found: 223.0122; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –20.07 (*c* 1.12, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 90:10 dr, and 98:2 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.7** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown; chiralcel OD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



Enantiomeric purity of the minor diastereomers

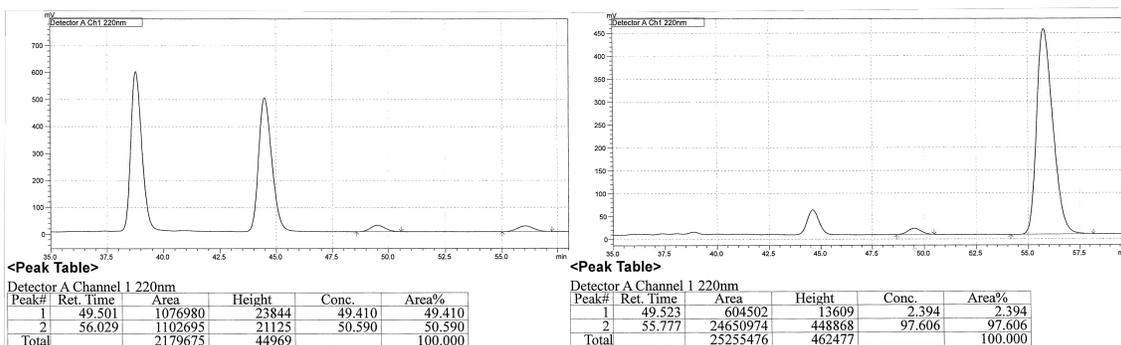


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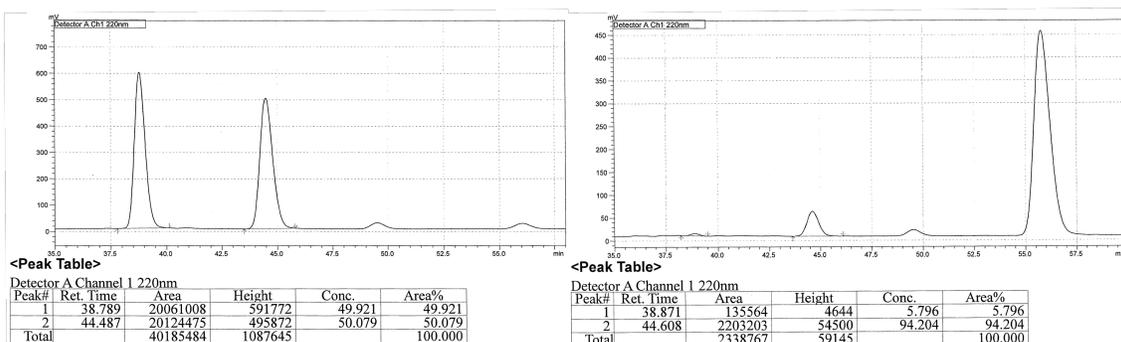
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52.5, 21.1; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{12}H_{15}O$ $[M+H-H_2O]^+$: 175.1123; Found: 175.1123; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} -36.14$ (c 1.16, $CHCl_3$) for a >98% S_N2' , 92:8 dr, and 98:2 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.8** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown; chiralcel OD-H column, 98:2 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



Enantiomeric purity of the minor diastereomers

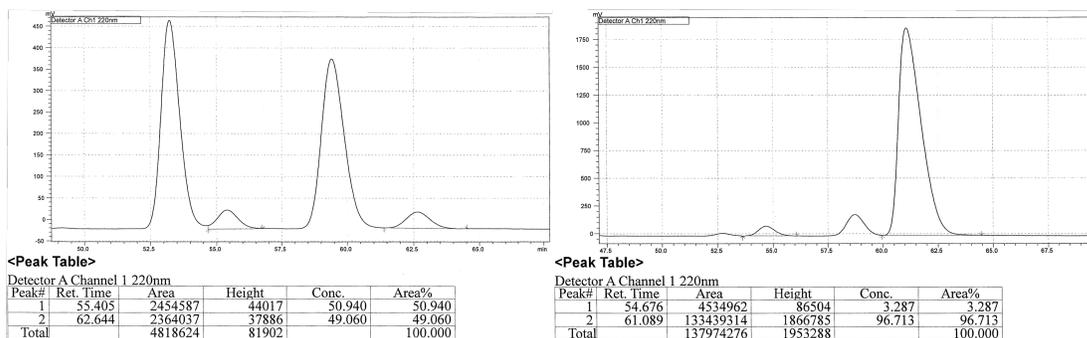


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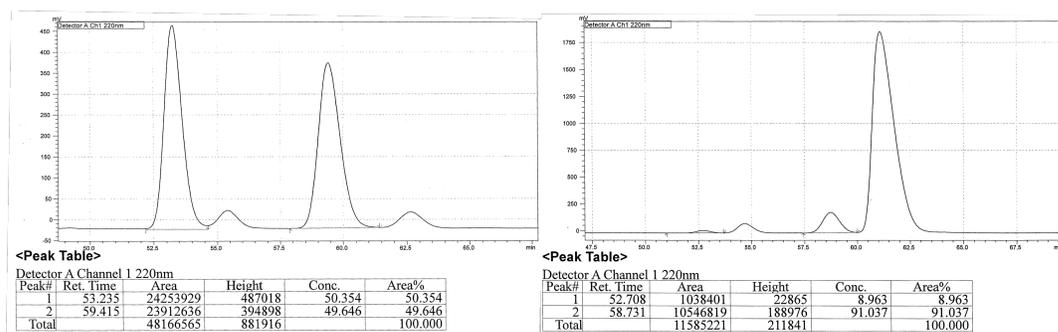
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1636 (w), 1490 (m), 1460 (m), 1118 (s), 1057 (s), 992 (m), 914 (s), 880 (m), 753 (s), 633 (m), 547 (m), 408 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.30–7.12 (4H, m), 5.97–5.88 (1H, m), 5.10–5.05 (2H, m), 4.12 (1H, pent, $J = 6.7$ Hz), 3.55 (1H, t, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 2.36 (3H, s), 1.56 (1H, br), 1.30 (3H, d, $J = 6.4$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.6, 138.5, 137.4, 137.1, 131.1, 126.7, 126.7, 116.8, 70.3, 54.3, 20.9, 20.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}-\text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$: 159.1174; Found: 159.1172; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -44.38 (c 0.73, CHCl_3) for a >98% $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$, 90:10 dr, and 97:3 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.9** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown; chiralcel OD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



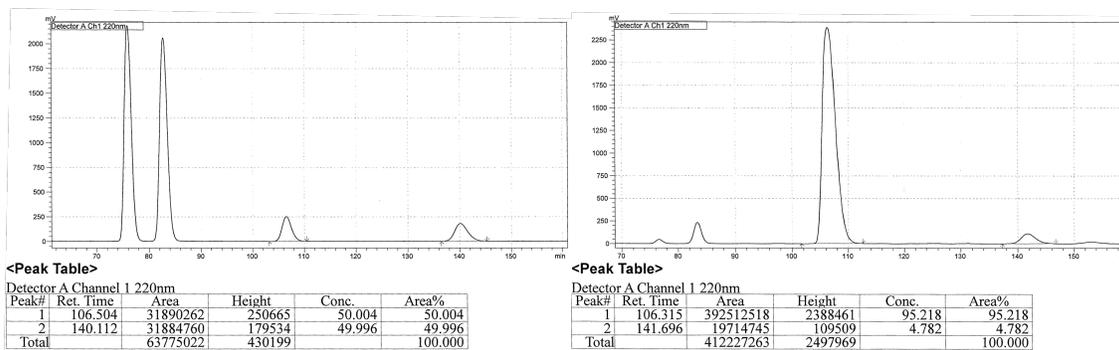
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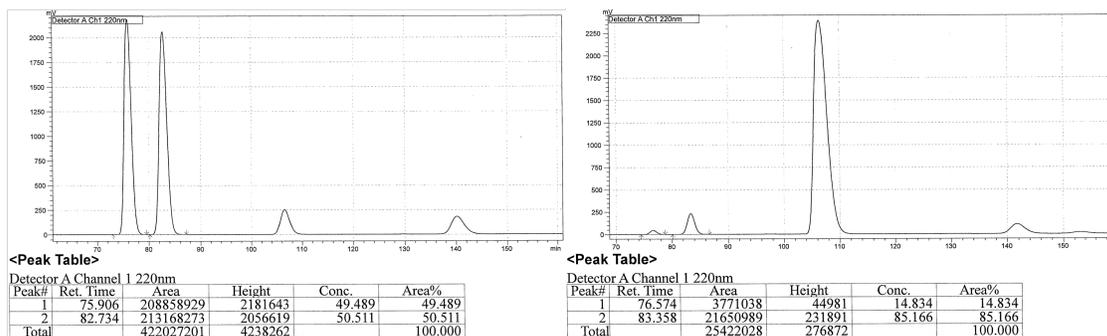
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1	53.235	24253929	50.354	1	52.708	22865	8.963
2	59.415	23912636	49.646	2	58.731	188976	91.037

(2S,3R)-3-(Naphthalen-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.10): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3423 (br s), 2971 (w), 1634 (w), 1599 (w), 1507 (w), 1370 (m), 1113 (s), 1056 (m), 1018 (m), 916 (s), 855 (m), 815 (s), 685 (m), 476 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85–7.81 (3H, m), 7.72 (1H, s), 7.51–7.44 (2H, m), 7.41 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz), 6.18–6.09 (1H, m), 5.20–5.16 (2H, m), 4.21–4.14 (1H, m), 3.43 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.52 (1H, d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 1.29 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 138.5, 138.4, 133.7, 132.7, 128.7, 127.8, 127.79, 127.4, 126.6, 126.3, 125.9, 117.3, 70.5, 59.2, 20.9; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₅H₁₅ [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 195.1174; Found: 195.1174; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –73.27 (*c* 1.35, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 95:5 dr, and 95:5 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.10** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; chiralcel AD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



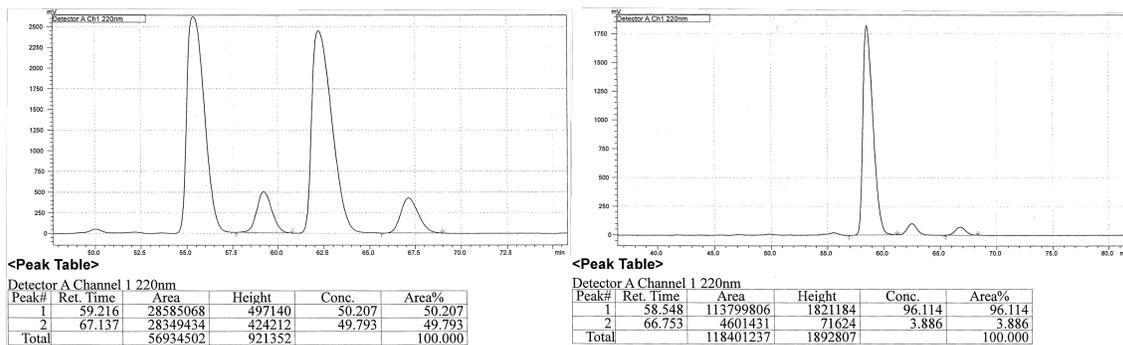
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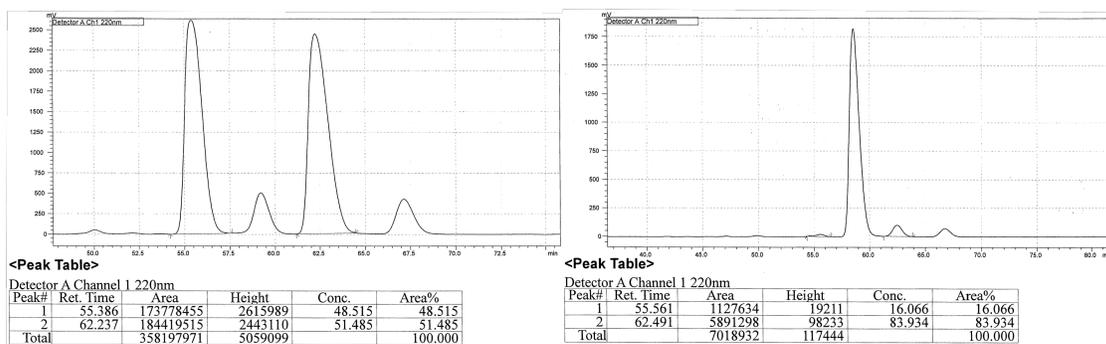
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1	75.906	208858929	49.489	1	76.574	3771038	14.834
2	82.734	213168273	50.511	2	83.358	21650989	85.166

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(3-Bromophenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.11): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3386 (br s), 2924 (m), 1638 (w), 1592 (m), 1566 (m), 1474 (m), 1427 (w), 1193 (s), 1072 (s), 919 (s), 779 (s), 438 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42–7.36 (2H, m), 7.24–7.18 (2H, m), 5.99 (1H, ddd *J* = 17.2, 10.8, 8.8 Hz), 5.18–5.11 (2H, m), 4.09–4.01 (1H, m), 3.22 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.47 (1H, br), 1.23 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 143.5, 137.9, 131.6, 130.4, 130.2, 127.3, 123.0, 117.6, 70.5, 58.6, 21.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂Br [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 223.0122; Found: 223.0128; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –52.90 (*c* 2.60, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 94:6 dr, and 96:4 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.11** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; chiralcel OD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



Enantiomeric purity of the minor diastereomers

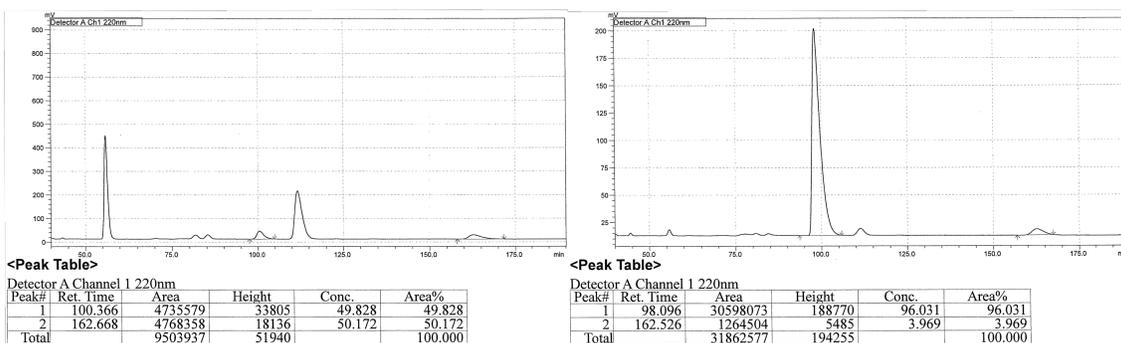


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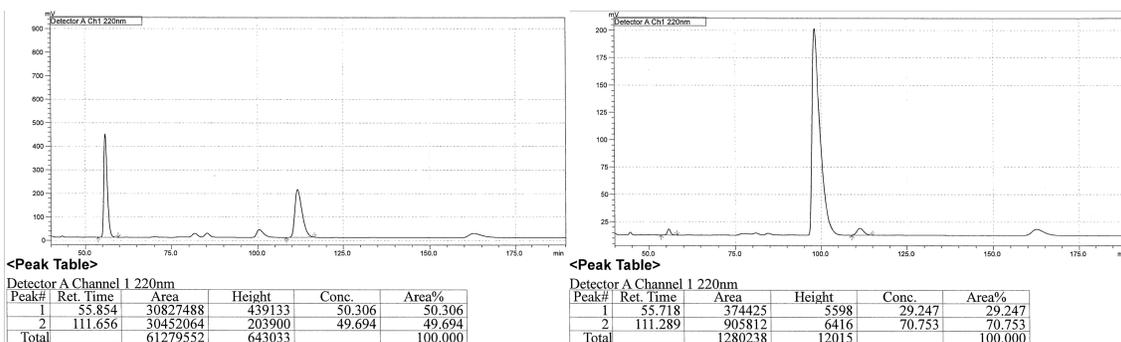
(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(3-Methoxyphenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.12): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3402 (br s), 2974 (w), 1599 (m), 1488 (m), 1155 (m), 1118 (s), 1043 (s), 995 (m), 916 (m), 849 (w), 594 (m), 410 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.29–7.25 (1H, m), 6.89–6.84 (1H, m), 6.81–6.78 (2H, m), 6.01 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 8.4 Hz), 5.16–5.11 (2H, m), 4.08–3.99 (1H, m), 3.81 (3H, s), 3.21 (1H, t, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 1.50 (1H, d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 1.24 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.1, 142.7, 138.4, 130.0, 120.7, 117.1, 114.4,

112.3, 70.6, 59.3, 55.3, 20.8; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{12}H_{15}O$ $[M+H-H_2O]^+$: 175.1123; Found: 175.1129; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} -47.84$ (c 1.30, $CHCl_3$) for a >98% S_N2' , 95:5 dr, and 96:4 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.12** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; chiralcel AD-H column, 98:2 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



Enantiomeric purity of the minor diastereomers

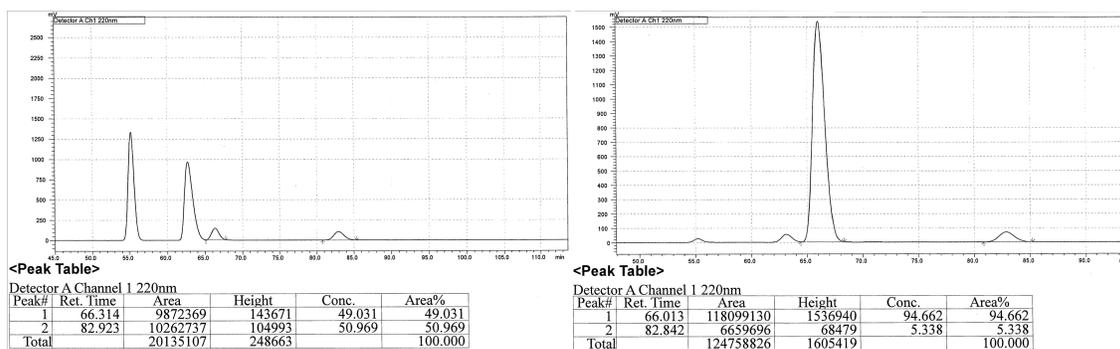


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1	55.854	30827488	50.306	1	55.718	374425	29.247
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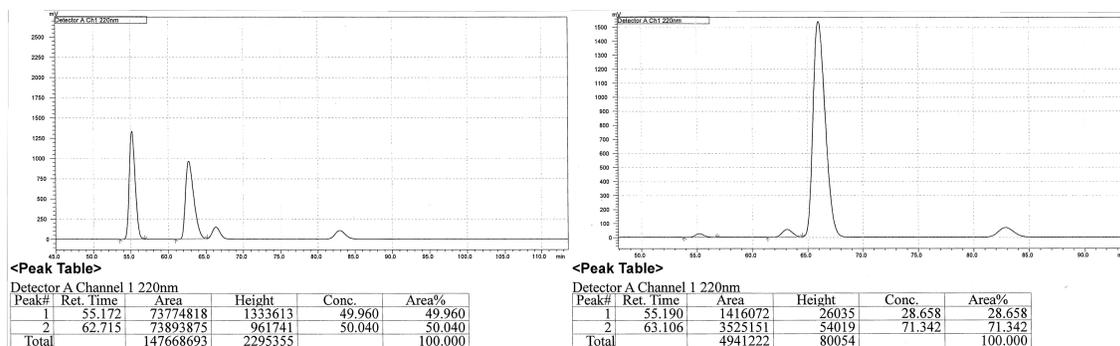
(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(4-Chlorophenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.13): IR (CH_2Cl_2): 3399 (br s), 2973 (w),

1637 (w), 1490 (s), 1374 (m), 1090 (s), 992 (s), 918 (s), 818 (s), 626 (m), 530 (s), 412 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.33–7.26 (2H, m), 7.21–7.19 (2H, m), 6.0 (1H, ddd, $J = 16.8, 10.4, 8.4$ Hz), 5.16–5.09 (2H, m), 4.08–4.00 (1H, m), 3.24 (1H, t, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 1.42 (1H, d, $J = 4.0$ Hz), 1.22 (3H, d, $J = 6.4$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.5, 138.1, 132.8, 130.0, 129.0, 117.4, 70.5, 58.2, 21.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl} [\text{M}+\text{H}-\text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$: 179.0628; Found: 179.0634; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -70.10$ (c 1.73, CHCl_3) for a >98% $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$, 95:5 dr, and 95:5 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.13** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; chiralcel AD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



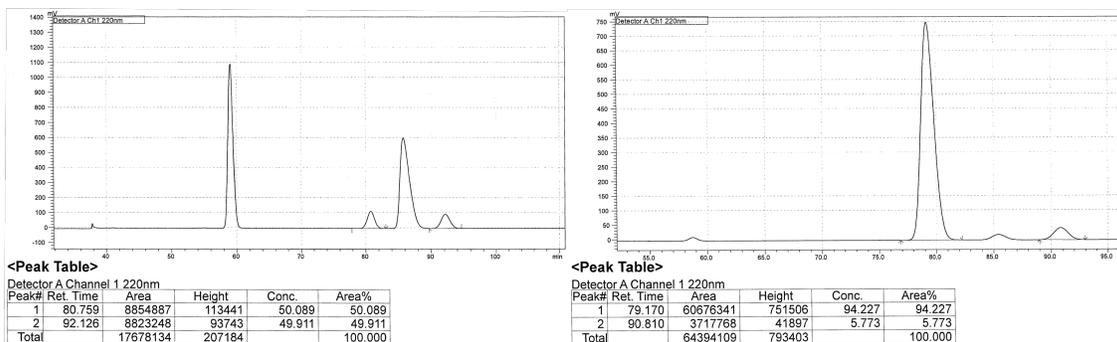
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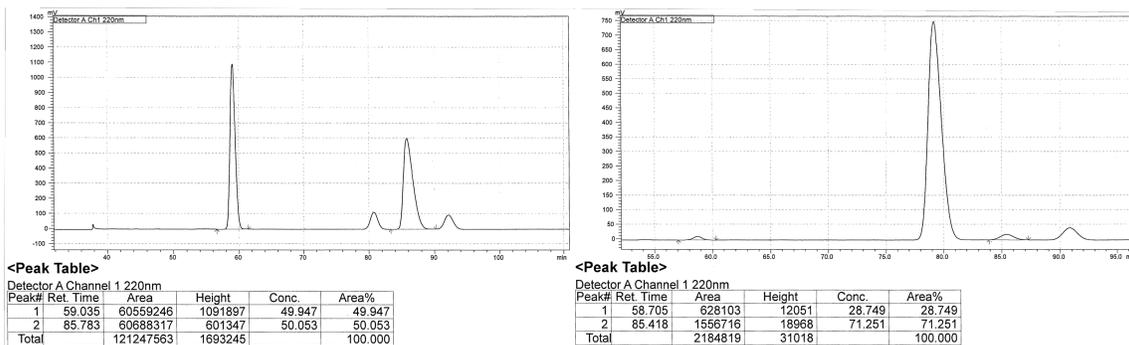
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1	55.172	73774818	49.960	1	55.190	1416072	28.658
2	62.715	73893875	50.040	2	63.106	3525151	71.342

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(4-Bromophenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.14): White solid; m.p. = 46–47 °C; IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3400 (br s), 3078 (w), 2973 (w), 1637 (w), 1590 (s), 1487 (m), 1193 (s), 1117 (s), 1072 (s), 1010 (m), 918 (s), 617 (m), 527 (s), 412 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47 (2H, d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.14 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 5.99 (1H, ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.8, 9.0 Hz), 5.16–5.10 (2H, m), 4.06–4.01 (1H, m), 3.22 (1H, t, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 1.42 (1H, d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 1.22 (3H, d, *J* = 6.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.1, 138.0, 132.0, 130.4, 120.9, 117.5, 70.5, 58.2, 21.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂Br [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 223.0122; Found: 223.0123; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –64.88 (*c* 1.55, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 95:5 dr, and 94:6 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.14** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (94:6 er shown; chiralcel AZ–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



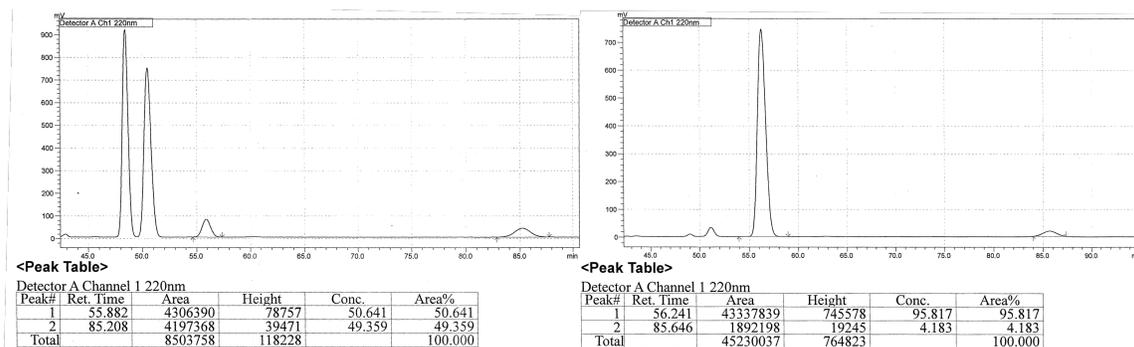
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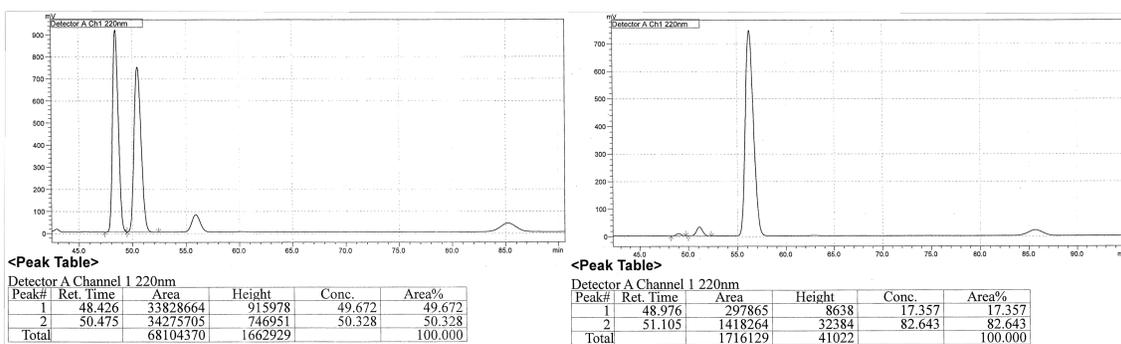
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1	59.035	60559246	49.947	1	58.705	628103	28.749
2	87.783	60688317	50.053	2	85.418	1556716	71.251

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.15): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3412 (br, s), 2977 (w), 1638 (w), 1323 (s), 1162 (m), 1118 (s), 1066 (s), 1018 (m), 921 (m), 835 (m), 405 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.39 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.04 (1H, ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.4, 8.8 Hz), 5.19–5.12 (2H, m), 4.14–4.07 (1H, m), 3.34 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.42 (1H, br), 1.24 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.3, 137.8, 129.1 (q, *J*_{CF} = 31.9 Hz), 129.0, 125.7 (q, *J*_{CF} = 3.8 Hz), 124.3 (q, *J*_{CF} = 270.2 Hz), 117.8, 70.5, 58.6, 21.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₂H₁₂F₃ [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 213.0891; Found: 213.0900; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –50.53 (*c* 1.67, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 95:5 dr, and 96:4 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.15** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown; chiralcel AD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity of the major diastereomers



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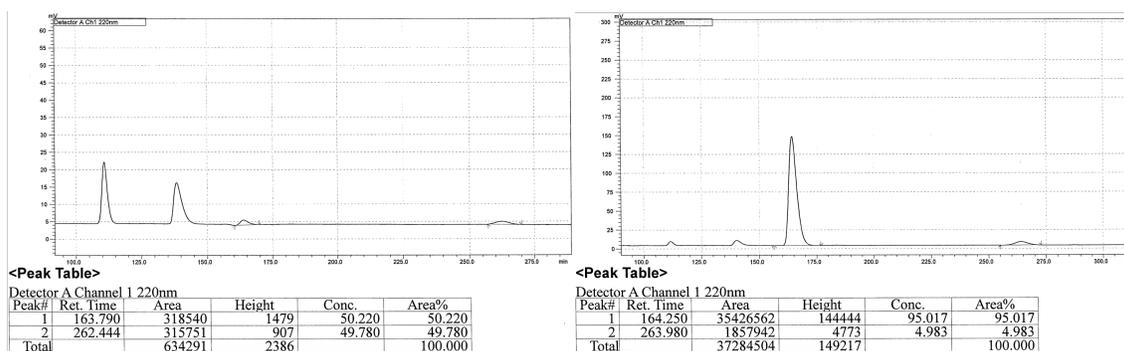


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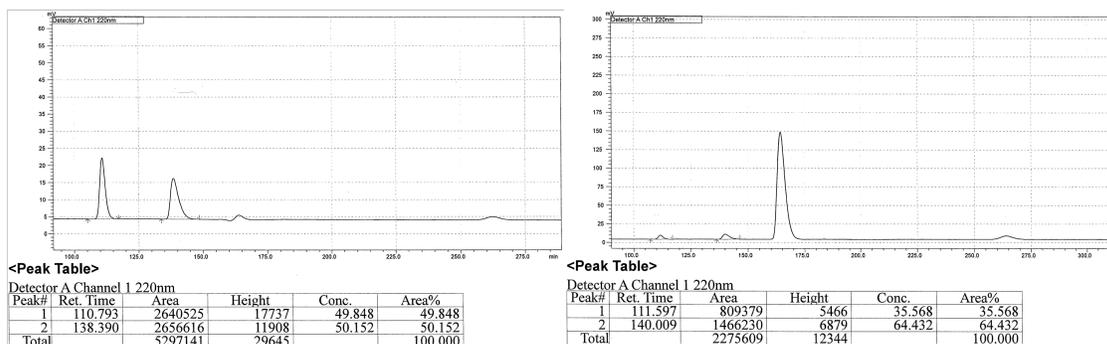
(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(4-Nitrophenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.16): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3431 (br s), 2924 (w), 1638 (m), 1517 (s), 1457 (w), 1343 (s), 1108 (s), 1055 (s), 922 (m), 846 (m), 661 (m), 522 (m), 402 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.20 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 7.45 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.03 (1H, ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.8, 8.8 Hz), 5.23–5.12 (2H, m), 4.14 (1H, pent, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.40 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.23 (1H, br), 1.24 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.0, 147.0, 137.3, 129.6, 123.9, 118.3, 70.5, 58.4,

21.4; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $C_{11}H_{14}NO_3$ $[M+H]^+$: 208.0974; Found: 208.0973; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} -48.57$ (c 1.97, $CHCl_3$) for a >98% S_N2' , 93:7 dr, and 95:5 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.16** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; chiralcel AD-H column, 98:2 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

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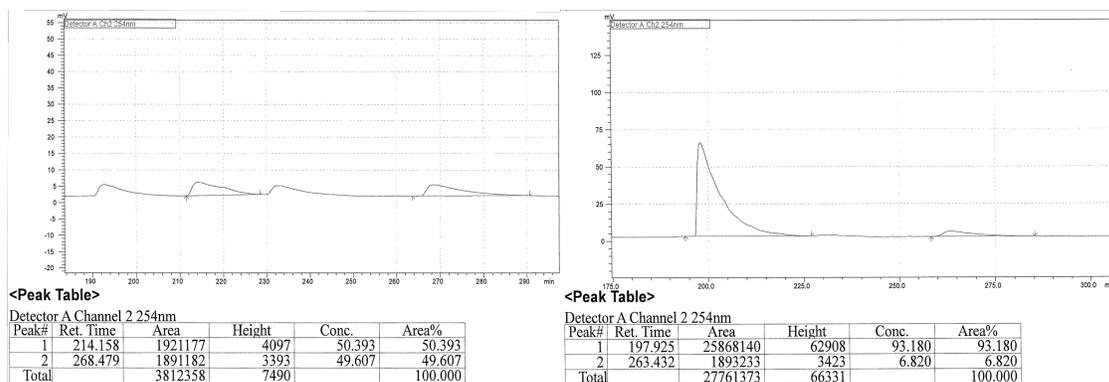


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1	110.793	2640525	49.848	1	111.597	809379	35.568
2	138.390	2656616	50.152	2	140.009	1466230	64.432

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(Pyridin-3-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.17): Following the representative procedure

except 7.5 mol % **NHC-8** and 7.0 mol % CuCl were used. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3232 (br s), 2923 (m), 1577 (w), 1427 (m), 1373 (m), 1312 (w), 1119 (s), 1029 (m), 918 (s), 802 (m), 714 (s), 402 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.51–8.48 (2H, m), 7.61 (1H, dt, *J* = 7.6, 2.0 Hz), 7.28–7.25 (2H, m), 6.06 (1H, ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.4, 8.4 Hz), 5.21–5.12 (2H, m), 4.11 (1H, pent, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 3.30 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 1.63 (1H, br), 1.22 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.4, 148.4, 137.7, 136.5, 136.2, 123.6, 118.0, 70.4, 55.8, 21.3; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄NO [M+H]⁺: 164.1075; Found: 164.1073; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –43.32 (*c* 0.42, CHCl₃) for a 96% S_N2', 92:8 dr, and 93:7 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.17** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (93:7 er shown; chiralcel OZ–H column, 97:3 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 254 nm).

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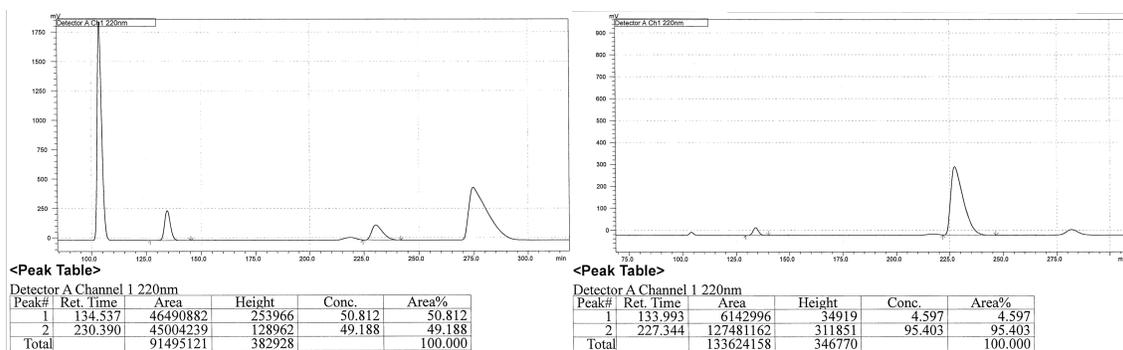


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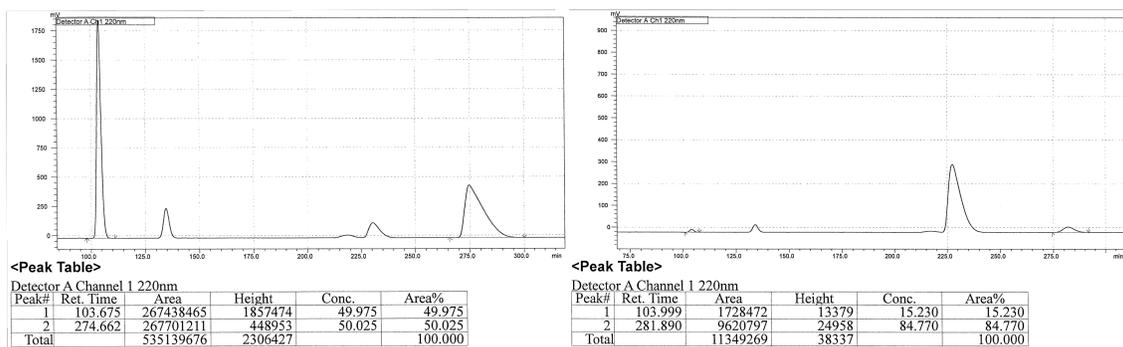
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1.2 Hz), 7.14–7.34 (2H, m), 7.33 (1H, s), 7.26 (1H, s), 6.15–6.06 (1H, m), 5.21–5.17 (2H, m), 4.26 (1H, pent, $J = 6.4$ Hz), 3.81 (1H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 1.71 (1H, br), 1.28 (3H, d, $J = 6.0$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 140.7, 138.9, 137.2, 135.3, 124.6, 124.2, 123.1, 122.7, 122.2, 117.7, 70.0, 52.0, 20.9; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}-\text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$: 201.0738; Found: 201.0738; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -20.61$ (c 1.82, CHCl_3) for a >98% $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$, 91:9 dr, and 95:5 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.18** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; chiralcel AD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

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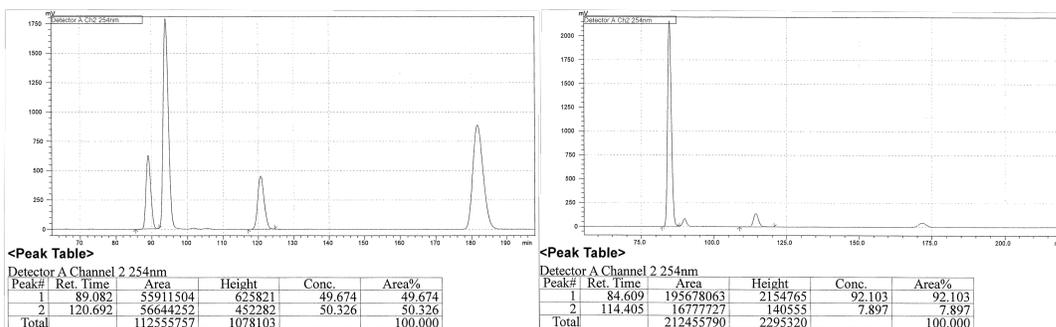
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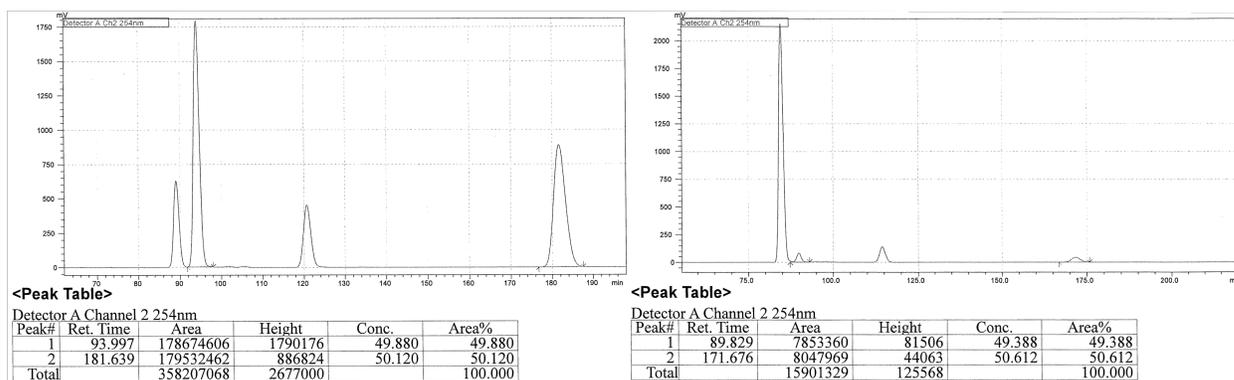
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1	103.675	267438465	49.975	1	103.999	1728472	15.230
2	274.662	267701211	50.025	2	281.890	9620797	84.770

(2*S*,3*R*,*E*)-5-Phenyl-3-vinylpent-4-en-2-ol (2.19): Following the representative procedure except 7.5 mol % **NHC-8** and 7.0 mol % CuCl were used. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3377 (br s), 2972 (w), 1636 (w), 1599 (w), 1449 (m), 1373 (w), 1119 (s), 1072 (s), 996 (s), 915 (s), 865 (m), 607 (m), 517 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40–7.37 (2H, m), 7.32 (2H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 7.23 (1H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 6.50 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 6.21 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.0, 8.5 Hz), 5.88 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.5, 10.5, 8.0 Hz), 5.20–5.17 (2H, m), 3.83 (1H, pent, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 2.91 (1H, q, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.73 (1H, br), 1.23 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 137.6, 137.2, 133.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.6, 126.4, 117.3, 69.9, 55.8, 20.5; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅ [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 171.1174; Found: 171.1183; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –60.33 (*c* 1.15, CHCl₃) for a >98:2 S_N2', 90:10 dr, and 92:8 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.19** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (92:8 er shown; chiralcel OD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 254 nm).

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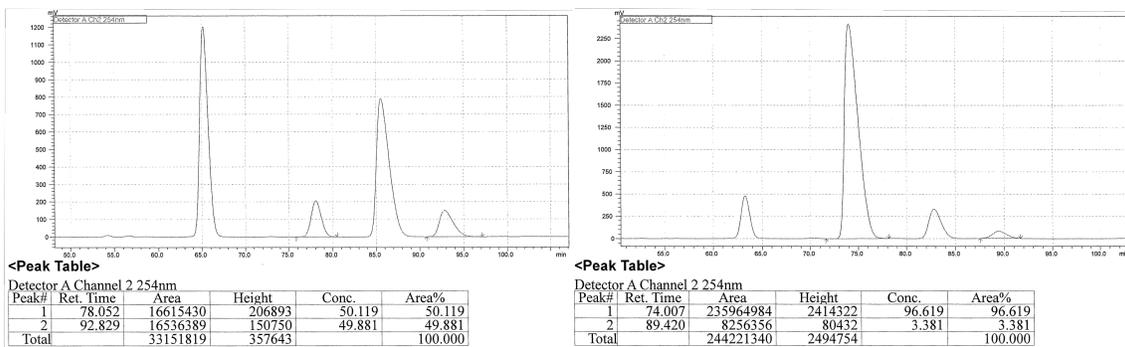


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1	93.997	178674606	49.880	1	89.829	7853360	49.388
2	181.639	179532462	50.120	2	171.676	8047969	50.612

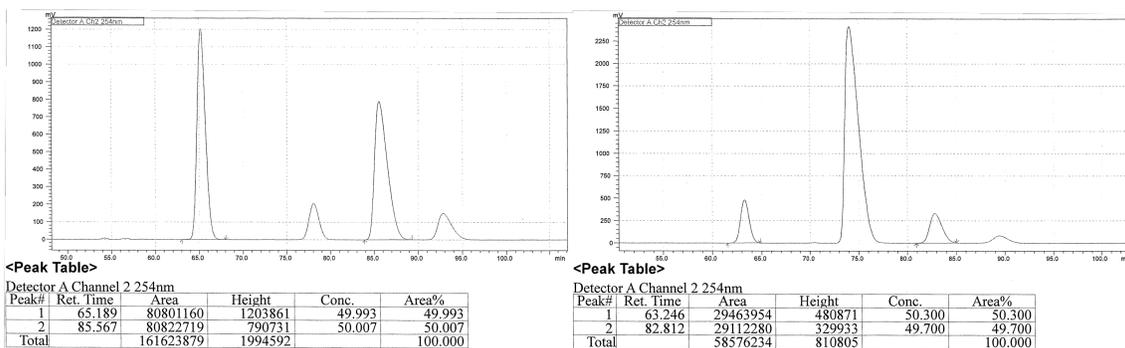
(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(Phenylethynyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (2.20): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3399 (br s), 2975 (w), 1639 (w), 1598 (w), 1490 (m), 1443 (m), 1115 (s), 1070 (s), 921 (s), 825 (m), 597 (m), 469 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47–7.43 (2H, m), 7.33–7.30 (3H, m), 5.91 (1H, ddd, *J* = 20.8, 10, 6.4 Hz), 5.43–5.47 (1H, m), 5.31–5.28 (1H, m), 3.93–3.88 (1H, m), 3.38–3.35 (1H, m), 1.99 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 1.34 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 134.5, 131.9, 128.4, 128.3, 123.2, 118.2, 86.7, 86.2, 69.9, 45.4, 20.7; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₅O [M+H]⁺: 187.1123; Found: 187.1131; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –82.21 (*c* 0.85, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 93:7 dr, and 91:9 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.20** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown; chiralcel AZ–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH,

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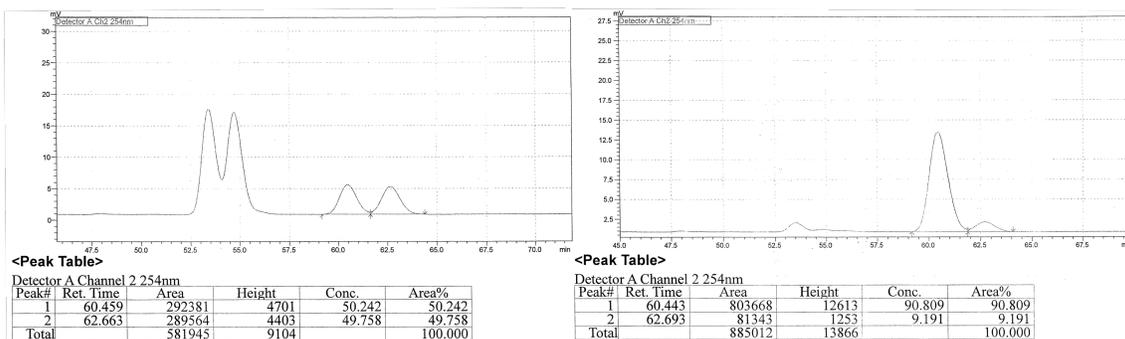


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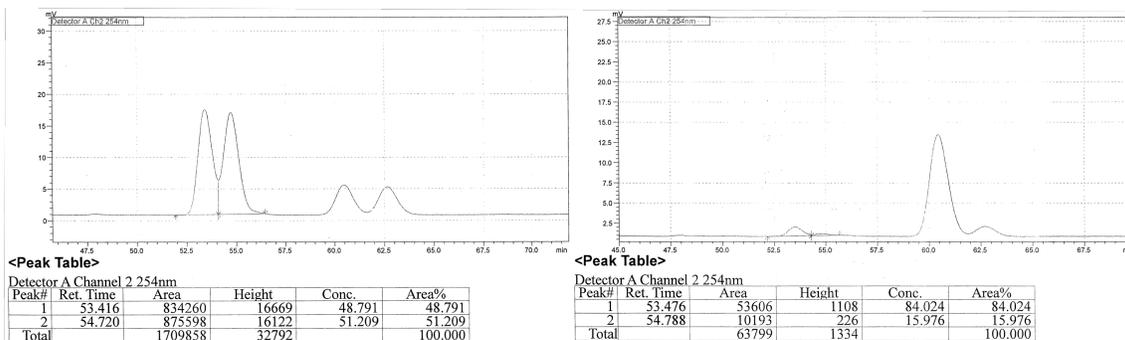
(2*S*,3*S*)-3-Phenethylpent-4-en-2-ol (2.21): IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3358 (br s), 2923 (w), 1639 (w), 1496 (m), 1374 (w), 1122 (s), 1053 (m), 998 (m), 913 (s), 697 (s), 413 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30–7.27 (2H, m), 7.20–7.16 (3H, m), 5.66 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 9.2 Hz), 5.23 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.0 Hz), 5.15 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.2, 2.0, 0.8 Hz), 3.75–3.67 (1H, m), 2.71 (1H, ddd, *J* = 14.0, 10.0, 4.4 Hz), 2.51 (1H, ddd, *J* = 13.6, 10.0,

7.2 Hz), 2.17–2.10 (1H, m), 1.92–1.84 (1H, m), 1.62–1.52 (1H, m), 1.45 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 1.15 (3H, d, $J = 6.0$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 142.5, 138.4, 128.6, 128.5, 125.9, 118.4, 70.3, 51.4, 33.7, 32.4, 20.2; HRMS (DART): Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{17}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}-\text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$: 173.1330; Found: 173.1329; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -6.29$ (c 2.50, CHCl_3) for a $>98\%$ $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$, 92:8 dr, and 91:9 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.21** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (91:9 er shown; chiralcel AD-H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 254 nm).

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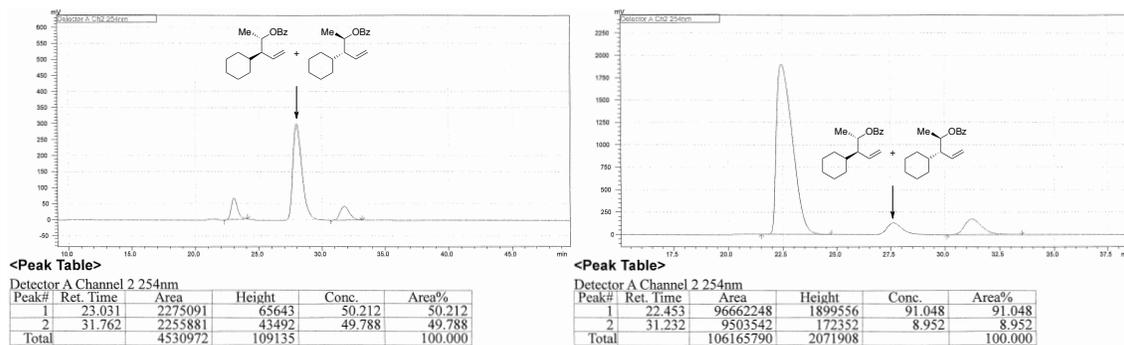


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1	60.459	292381	50.242	1	60.443	803668	90.809
2	62.663	289564	49.758	2	62.693	81343	9.191
1	53.416	834260	48.791	1	53.476	53606	84.024
2	54.720	875598	51.209	2	54.788	10193	15.976

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-Cyclohexylpent-4-en-2-ol (2.22): Following the representative procedure except 7.5 mol % **NHC-8** and 7.0 mol % CuCl were used. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 3377 (br s), 2967 (m), 2922 (s), 2852 (m), 1449 (m), 1420 (w), 1118 (s), 1057 (s), 1001 (m), 956 (w), 910 (s), 872 (w), 838 (w), 768 (s), 507 (w), 407 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.56 (1H, dt, *J* = 16.8, 10.0 Hz), 5.17 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.4 Hz), 5.06 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.8, 2.0 Hz), 3.92–3.87 (1H, m), 1.94–1.88 (1H, m), 1.74–1.71 (3H, m), 1.66–1.60 (2H, m), 1.50–1.41 (2H, m), 1.31–1.20 (3H, m), 1.10 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 0.99–0.84 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 137.1, 118.8, 66.8, 57.9, 37.9m, 31.4, 30.3, 26.7, 26.6, 26.5, 20.0; HRMS (DART): Calcd for C₁₁H₁₉ [M+H–H₂O]⁺: 151.1487; Found: 151.1491; Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –9.83 (*c* 0.55, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 93:7 dr, and 91:9 er sample. Enantiomeric purity of **2.22** was determined by HPLC analysis of the product from *p*-bromobenzoylation^[13] in comparison with authentic racemic material (91:9 er shown; chiralcel AD–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 254 nm).

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1	23.031	2275091	50.212	1	22.453	96662248	91.048
2	31.762	2255881	49.788	2	31.232	9503542	8.952

2.5.4 Gram Scale Reaction with (*E*)-But-2-en-1-yl diethyl phosphate

(2*S*,3*S*)-3-methylpent-4-en-2-ol (2.24): In a N₂-filled glove box, a flame-dried 100 mL round-bottom flask equipped with a stir bar was charged with CuCl (9.9 mg, 0.10 mmol), imidazolium ligand (107.4 mg, 0.125 mmol), and LiOtBu (600 mg, 7.50 mmol). The flask was sealed with a septum and electrical tape before removal from the glove box. Freshly distilled thf (10 mL) was added and the resulting solution was allowed to stir for 1 h under N₂ at 22 °C. A solution of PMHS (902.3 mg, 15.0 mmol) in thf (5 mL) was added to the mixture at 0 °C, causing the solution to turn yellow brown immediately. After 1 min, a solution of vinyl boronic acid pinacol ester (847mg, 5.50 mmol) and (*E*)-but-2-en-1-yl diethyl phosphate (1041 mg, 5.0 mmol) in thf (10 mL) was added by syringe. The resulting mixture was allowed to stir at 22 °C for 14 h after which the mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4x4 cm, 1% of triethylamine) and eluted with Et₂O. Removal of the volatiles *in vacuo* afforded bright yellow oil. To the oil

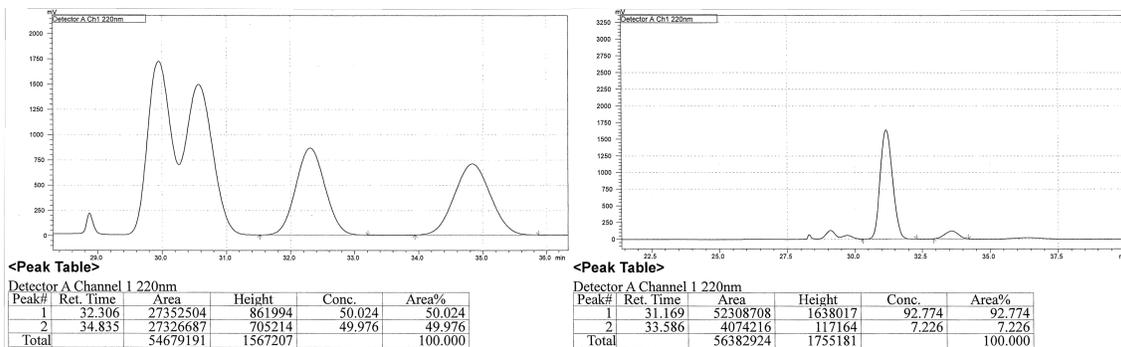
was added thf (10 mL), pH 7.0 buffer solution (10 mL), and NaBO₃•4H₂O (3846 mg, 25.0 mmol) at 0 °C. After complete addition, the mixture was allowed to stir at 22 °C for 3 h. The mixture was washed with Et₂O (3 x 10 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄. Carefully concentrated (product is volatile) mixture was purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes:Et₂O = 10:5, R_f = 0.2) to afford the desired product as clear oil (275 mg, 2.746 mmol, 55% yield). Spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.83–5.74 (1H, m), 5.12–5.07 (2H, m), 3.73–3.64 (1H, m), 2.27–2.20 (1H, m), 1.50 (1H, br), 1.15 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.03 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz); Specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ –19.05 (c 4.43, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 92:8 dr, and 93:7 er sample. Based on reported optical rotation values [α]_D –35.2 (c 1.6, CHCl₃)⁴⁰ and [α]_D –19.56 (neat),⁴¹ the absolute stereochemistry of the major enantiomer is assigned to be (2*S*,3*S*). The diastereoselectivity was determined by ¹H NMR spectra after *p*-methoxybenzylation of the alcohol.⁴² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.87 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 5.82 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.0, 7.2 Hz), 5.05 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 5.01 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 4.52 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 4.40 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 3.80 (3H, s), 3.35 (1H, pent, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 2.41–2.33 (1H, m), 1.12 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.04 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz). Enantiomeric purity of **2.24** was determined by HPLC analysis of the corresponding *p*-methoxybenzyl ether⁴² in comparison with authentic racemic material (93:7 er shown; chiralcel OJ–H column, 99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

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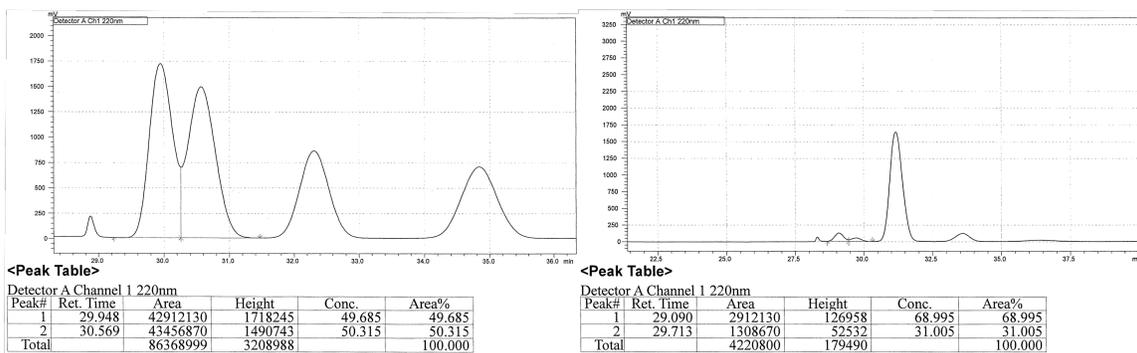
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1	32.306	27352504	50.024	1	31.169	52308798	92.774
2	34.835	27326687	49.976	2	33.586	4074216	7.226
1	29.948	42912130	49.685	1	29.090	2912130	68.995
2	30.569	43456870	50.315	2	29.713	1308670	31.005

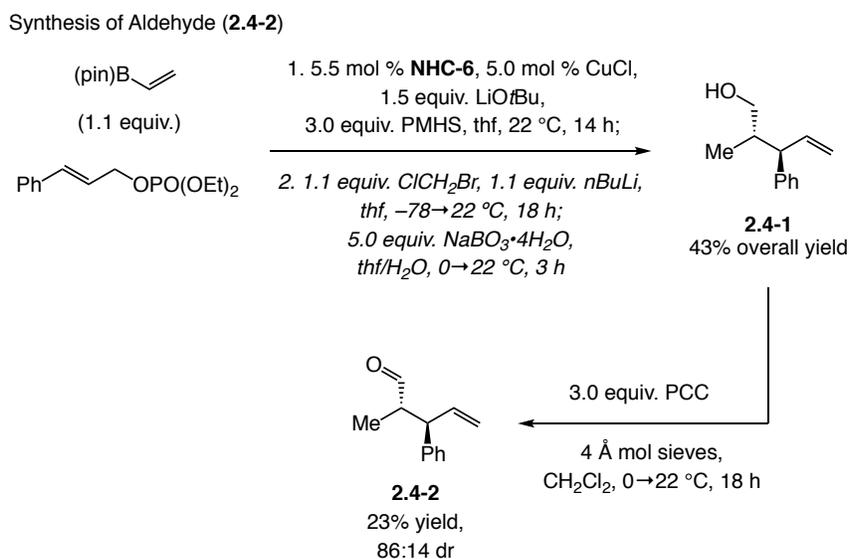
2.5.5 C–B(pin) to C–furyl Conversion

2-((2*S*,3*S*)-3-Phenethylpent-4-en-2-yl)furan (2.30): The secondary boron compound

(0.35 mmol, precursor to alcohol **2.21**) was converted to **2.30** by a reported procedure⁴³ except 1.5 equiv. furan, 1.5 equiv. *n*-BuLi, and 1.5 equiv. NBS were used. IR (neat): 3026 (w), 2933 (w), 1640 (w), 1496 (m), 1454 (m), 1148 (m), 1117 (w), 1030 (s), 914 (s), 793 (m), 598 (m), 497 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400, MHz CDCl_3): δ 7.30–7.23 (3H, m), 7.18–7.16 (1H, m), 7.11 (2H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 6.27 (1H, dd, $J = 3.2, 2.0$ Hz), 5.95 (1H, d, $J = 2.8$ Hz), 5.60 (1H, ddd, $J = 16.8, 10.0, 9.2$ Hz), 5.10 (1H, dd, $J = 10.4, 2.0$ Hz), 5.02–4.97 (2H, m), 2.81 (1H, pent, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 2.66 (1H, ddd, $J = 13.6, 10.8, 5.2$ Hz), 2.44 (1H, ddd, $J = 14.0, 10.0, 6.4$ Hz), 1.71–1.62 (1H, m), 1.51–1.44 (1H, m), 1.19 (3H, d, $J = 6.8$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 159.3, 142.7, 140.7, 140.4, 128.5, 128.4, 125.7, 116.6, 110.0, 104.9, 48.7, 37.6, 34.1, 33.8, 16.4; HRMS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ Found for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}$: 241.1601; Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -2.31$ (c 6.67, CHCl_3).

2.5.6 Assignment of Absolute Configuration of the Major Isomer from NHC-6

The absolute configuration of the major isomer from **NHC-6** was assigned by comparing the optical rotation of corresponding aldehyde **2.4-2** after homologation and oxidations.



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2-Methyl-3-phenylpent-4-en-1-ol (2.4-1): The secondary boron compound was prepared from the representative procedure except **NHC-6** was used (0.3 mmol scale). After purification, the sample was homologated by the reported procedure⁴⁴ and oxidized to give the final product (43% overall yield after flash column chromatography). ¹H NMR data match those reported previously.⁴⁵ ¹H NMR (400, MHz CDCl₃): δ 7.32–7.17 (5H, m), 6.11–6.01 (1H, m), 5.14–5.04 (2H, m), 3.71–3.67 (1H, m), 3.60–3.56 (1H, m), 3.17 (1H, t, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 2.08–2.01 (1H, m), 1.51 (1H, br), 0.80 (3H, dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.2 Hz).

(2*S*,3*R*)-2-Methyl-3-phenylpent-4-enal (2.4-2): Prepared from **2.4-1** according to the reported procedure.⁴⁶ Spectroscopic data match those reported previously.⁴⁷ ¹H NMR (400, MHz CDCl₃): δ 9.71–9.69 (1H, m), 7.36–7.18 (5H, m), 6.08–5.98 (1H, m), 5.14–5.09 (2H, m), 3.53 (1H, t, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 2.83–2.75 (1H, m), 0.94–0.92 (3H, m); Specific rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +22.79$ (c 0.63, CHCl₃) for a >98% S_N2', 86:14 dr, and 87:13 er sample. Based on reported optical rotation values $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{26} +57.4$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃),⁴⁷ the absolute stereochemistry of the major enantiomer is assigned to be (2*S*,3*R*).

2.5.7 Density Functional Theory (DFT)/ONIOM Calculations

(Please Note: In the following section, the term **imid-2** is synonymous with the term **NHC-6** used above, and the term **imid-3** is synonymous with the term **NHC-8** used above)

DFT/ONIOM computations⁴⁸ were performed with the Gaussian 09 suite of programs.⁴⁹

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Geometries were optimized by the following ONIOM⁵⁰ method: M06L/Def2SVP:UFF (see Scheme S2 for definition of the boundaries; in cases where explicit thf molecules have been used in the simulations, only the oxygen atom has been modeled with the higher level). The effect of a polar reaction medium (tetrahydrofuran, THF) was approximated by means of an integral equation formalism variant of the polarizable continuum model (IEFPCM).⁵¹ Stationary points were probed through vibrational analysis and Gibbs free energy corrections were performed under standard conditions (298.15 K, 1.0 atm). Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations have been performed starting from selected transition states (**ts**) employing the L(ocal) Q(uadratic) A(approximation) method, followed by subsequent optimization to obtain structures and energies for educt (**ed**) and product (**prod**) on either side of the transition state.⁵² We furthermore probed the performance of various density functionals through single point energy calculations at the geometries optimized at the level described above by means of the SMD solvation model⁵³ with THF as solvent and the larger Def2TZVPP⁵⁴ basis set.

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Since the correct density functional is not known we tested several state of the art approaches that have been developed over the past decade:^{48,55} ω B97XD,⁵⁶ M06,⁵⁷ MN12SX,⁵⁸ MN12L,⁵⁸ M06L,⁵⁷ BP86-D3BJ^{48b,59} and PBE0-D3BJ^{48b,60} (Figures S1–S9). Electronic and Gibbs free energies for Figures S4–S9 are provided on pages S53 to S76 in the original paper and the entries that have been used to construct Figures S1–S3 are highlighted with grey background. A file for convenient viewing of computed geometries with the program Mercury 3.3 is appended as separate “coordinates.xyz” file on pages S77 to S330 in the original paper.⁶¹

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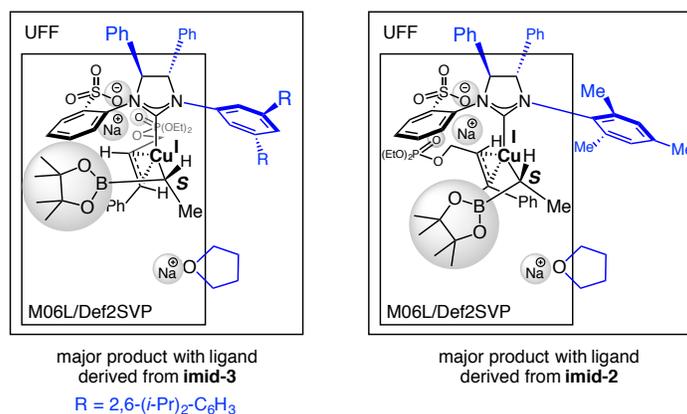
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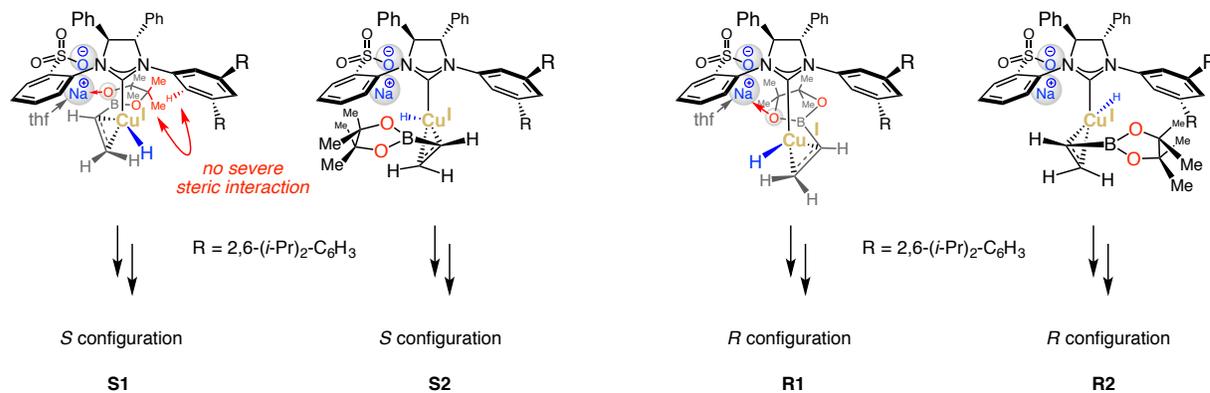
Scheme S1. ONIOM boundaries used in the simulations (two layers)

Nomenclature

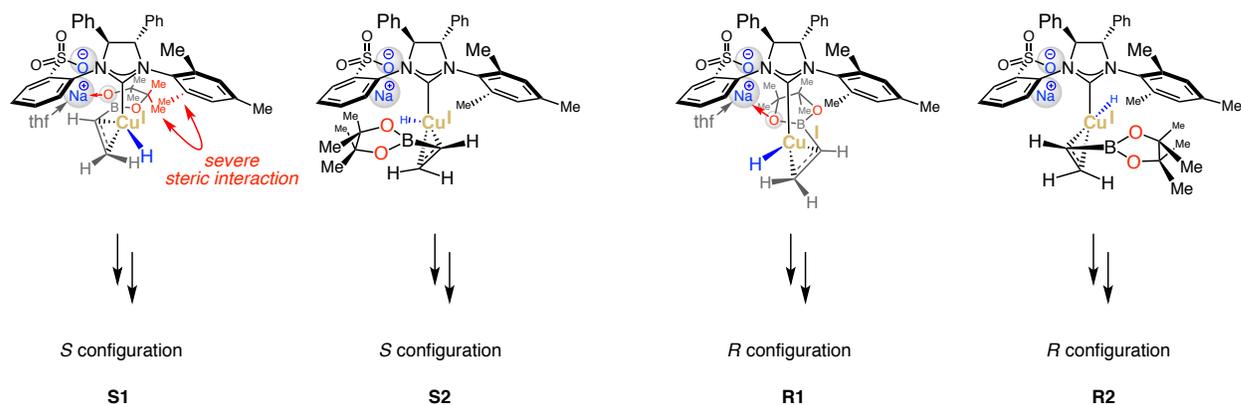
The following modes for Cu-H addition with ligands derived from **imid-3** and **imid-2** have been investigated (Scheme S2). Modes **S1** and **S2** lead to the *S*-configuration at the carbon center that is directly bound to Cu after Cu-H addition, whereas modes **R1** and **R2** will generate the carbon stereogenic center with *R*-configuration. In modes **S1** and **R1** one of the oxygen atoms on the Bpin moiety, which is situated in the rear, is coordinated to the sodium counterion that is bound to the ligand's sulfonate group. In contrast, the Bpin group is facing towards the front in modes of addition **S2** and **R2**. The modes for Cu-H addition shown in Scheme 2a have further been reinvestigated with either two or three explicit thf molecules bound to the metal center in order to test the stability of the $\text{O}^{\text{Bpin}} \rightarrow \text{Na}$ coordination in presence of a coordinating solvent (tetrahydrofuran). See below for a detailed discussion.

Scheme S2. Investigated modes of Cu-H addition with ligands derived from **imid-3** (a) and **imid-2** (b)

a Cu-H addition with **imid-3**



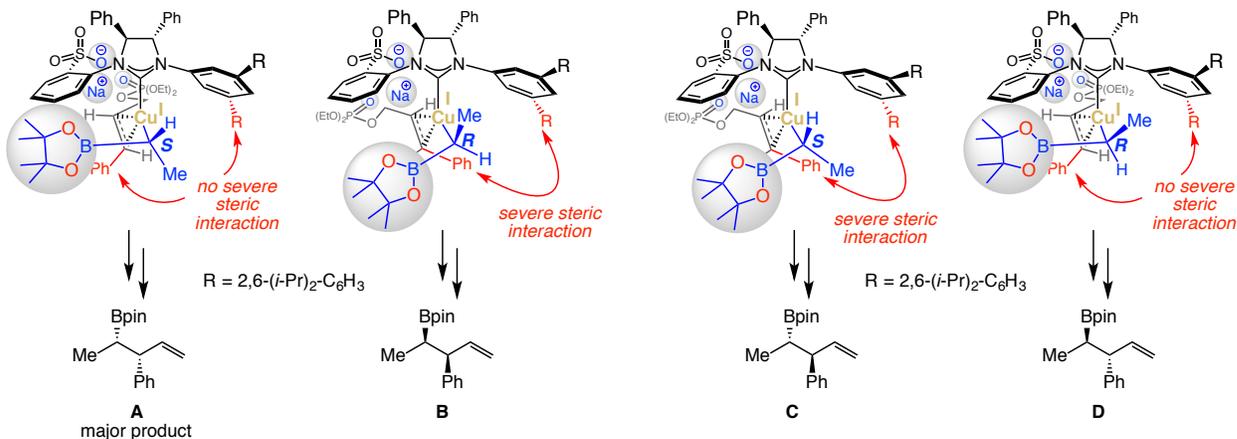
b Cu-H addition with **imid-2**



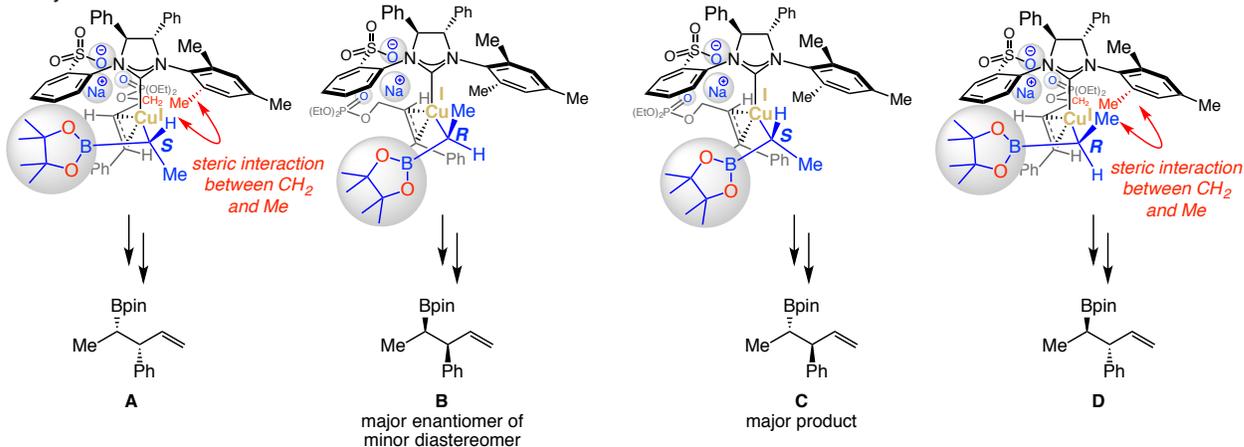
Additionally, all investigated modes for allylic substitution with ligands derived from **imid-3** and **imid-2** are displayed in Scheme S3. Here, **A** and **B** denote the pathways leading to the two enantiomers of the first diastereomer, whereas nomenclature **C** and **D** is used for the two enantiomers of the opposite diastereomer. Mode of allylic substitution **A** leads to the major product when the NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** is involved (Scheme S3c). Furthermore, mode **C** yields the major product when the reaction is performed with **imid-2** and mode **B** leads to the major enantiomer of the minor diastereomer under the same conditions (Scheme S3d).

Scheme S3. Investigated modes of allylic substitution (AS) with ligands derived from **imid-3** (c) and **imid-2** (d)

c Allylic Substitution with **imid-3**



d Allylic Substitution with **imid-2**



Stereochemical model with Cu–NHC complex derived from imid-3 (cf. Figure S1-1)

The pathways leading to the major (**A**) and minor enantiomer (**B**) of the major diastereomer at the MN12SX/Def2TZVP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level are shown in Figure S1-1. For the corresponding free energy diagrams with other density functional, see Figure S1-2. For a complete picture containing all possible modes for Cu–H addition and allylic substitution (including investigation of several conformers), see Figures S4-1 and S7-1 or Figures S4-2 and S7-2, respectively. As seen in Figure S1-1,

mode of Cu-H addition **S1** (9.6 kcal/mol relative to the Cu-H species), wherein a coordination between the Bpin moiety and the Na counterion is established, is significantly more favored compared to the mode of addition **R2**, which leads to the opposite stereochemistry (*R*-configuration) while a $O^{\text{Bpin}} \rightarrow \text{Na}$ interaction is absent (20.0 kcal/mol). Such a large energy difference (10.4 kcal/mol) should preclude generation of even trace amounts of products that originate from the *R*-configured Cu-alkyl species and suggests that this model system represents a rather simplified version of the true mechanism (see below for further discussion of models with explicit thf molecules). Following Cu-H addition, the major product (**A**) is generated through the allylic substitution transition state to generate a π -allyl species (with a relative free energy of 6.5 kcal/mol).⁶² In agreement with the experimental results Cu-H addition is likely irreversible as supported by the lower energy for allylic substitution (6.5 kcal/mol; Figure S1-1) compared to the transition state for Cu-H addition (9.6 kcal/mol; Figure S1-1). Further in agreement with the experimental results are the higher calculated free energies for allylic substitution that lead to minor products **B**, **C** and **D** (8.5–9.1 kcal/mol; cf. Figures S1-1 and S7-1). The herein proposed model for AS with the NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** supports a previous model for nucleophilic addition of propargyl groups to allyl electrophiles, and we refer here to this earlier work for a much more detailed mechanistic discussion.^{63, 64}

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Stereochemical model with Cu–NHC complex derived from imid-2 (cf. Figure S2-1)

The most critical pathways leading to the major product (**C**) and the major enantiomer of the minor diastereomer (**B**) at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level are shown in Figure S2-1. For the corresponding free energy diagrams with other density functional, see Figure S2-2. For a complete picture containing all possible modes for Cu-H addition and allylic substitution (including investigation of several conformers), see Figures S8-1 and S9-1 or Figures S8-2 and S9-2, respectively. As seen in Figure S2-1, and similar to the reaction promoted by the NHC ligand derived from **imid-3**, mode of Cu-H addition **S1** (8.6 kcal/mol relative to the Cu-H species), wherein the a coordination between the Bpin moiety and the Na counterion is established, is significantly more favored compared to the mode of addition **R2**, which leads to the opposite stereochemistry (*R*-configuration), while a O^{Bpin}→Na interaction is absent (17.9 kcal/mol). Again, such a large energy difference (9.3 kcal/mol) should preclude generation of even trace amounts of products that originate from the *R*-configured Cu-alkyl species, which contradicts the experimental observation that significant amounts of allylic substitution product **B** are isolated. Nonetheless, the energy difference between modes of addition **S1** and **R2** (9.3 kcal/mol) is slightly smaller than in the case when imid-3 is involved (10.4 kcal/mol). This likely originates from a significant steric interaction between the Bpin moiety and the ortho methyl group on the mesityl group of the NHC (mode **S1** in Scheme S2b). Following Cu-H addition, the major product (**C**) is generated through allylic substitution transition state with a relative free energy of 1.5 kcal/mol (Figure S2-1). In agreement with the previous case (cf. Figure S1-1) as well as the experimental results, Cu-H addition is likely

irreversible as supported by the lower energy for allylic substitution (1.5 kcal/mol) compared to Cu-H addition (8.6 kcal/mol). Further in agreement with the experimental results are the higher calculated free energies for AS that lead to minor products **A**, **B** and **D** (4.4–6.7 kcal/mol; cf. Figures S2-1 and S9-1). The herein proposed model for AS with the NHC ligand derived from imid-2 supports a previous model for nucleophilic addition of vinyl groups to allyl electrophiles, and we refer here to this earlier work for a much more detailed mechanistic discussion.^{63,64}

The effect of a coordinating reaction medium (thf) on the stability of intramolecular chelate interactions (cf. Figure S3-1)

Modeling reactions that involve charged species including counterions, etc. can be quite challenging and the use of solvation models such as PCM or SMD will face certain limitations. For example, relying solely on a continuum model will underestimate the distances between the metal center and the heteroatoms that are included in the simulation. The O^{Bpin}→Na distance in mode of addition **S1** without explicit thf molecules is 2.30 Å, whereas the same distance elongates to 2.59 Å when 3 thf molecules are added. Furthermore, one of the largest sources of error relates to the loss entropy that occurs when thf molecules are being bound to the Na counterion. The estimated gas phase corrections to the free energy ($\Delta G_{\text{corr}} \sim 15$ kcal/mol which corresponds to dilute conditions at 1 atm or 0.05 M) will certainly be significantly overestimated for solvent molecules (as discussed below, 5–9 kcal/mol instead of 15 kcal/mol for ΔG_{corr} will be more realistic). It is also very unlikely that the simplified model without thf molecules is a true representation of the actual experiment since it precludes formation of products that arise from the *R*-configured Cu-alkyl species. To address the above issues, we have performed

the following additional calculations depicted in Figure S3-1. There, mode of addition **S1** with 0, 2 and 3 thf molecules is compared to mode of addition **R2** with also 0, 2 and 3 thf molecules. The top grey curve uses gas phase entropies for thf molecules, which renders binding of thf unfavorable. Additionally, we have included scenarios wherein the gas phase free energy correction per thf molecule (~ 15 kcal/mol) is overestimated by 4, 6 and 8 kcal/mol, respectively (black, blue and green curves). The same analysis has been performed with all other investigated functionals (cf. Figure S3-2). For the inclusion of 2 or 3 thf molecules in all other modes of Cu-H addition (**S2** and **R1**), see Figures S5 and S6, respectively.

The following analysis should serve as guidance to Figure S3-1: The gas phase free energies for Cu-H addition mode **S1** with 2 thf molecules and mode **R2** with 3 thf molecules are 18.9 and 33.9 kcal/mol, respectively (Figure S3-1). This corresponds to a difference of 15.0 kcal/mol. This means that in order to significantly disrupt the $O^{Bpin} \rightarrow Na$ interaction (i.e., favoring path **R2** with 3 thf molecules), the gas phase correction to the free energy has to be overestimated by more than 15 kcal/mol, otherwise binding of a third thf molecule will be entropically disfavored. In order to allow for some formation of the *R*-configured Cu-alkyl species through pathway **R2**, the gas phase entropy likely has to be overestimated by about 12 kcal/mol with functional MN12SX and to a lesser degree with functionals $\omega B97XD$ (ca. 8 kcal/mol), M06 (ca. 8 kcal/mol) or MN12L (ca. 6 kcal/mol). In other words: applying an overestimation of 12 kcal/mol per thf molecule to mode **S1** with 2 thf molecules leads to a free energy of -5.1 kcal/mol ($= 18.9 - 2 \times 12.0$; cf. Figure S3-1). The same procedure applied to mode **R2** with 3 thf molecules yields a free energy of -2.1 kcal/mol ($33.9 - 3 \times 12.0$; cf. Figure S3-1). Only

under these conditions, generation of the *R*-configured Cu-alkyl species can become competitive ($\Delta\Delta G$ between modes **S1** and **R2** will be close to 3 kcal/mol or below; = -2.1 - (-5.1) kcal/mol). Please note that the free energies after removal of the overestimated portion of the entropy are actually not negative, since additional thf molecules have not been included in the ground state Cu-H species, which would also experience a lowering in energy.

Figures of Free Energy Surfaces

Free Energy Surface for Cu-H Addition/Allylic Substitution with ligand derived from imid-3

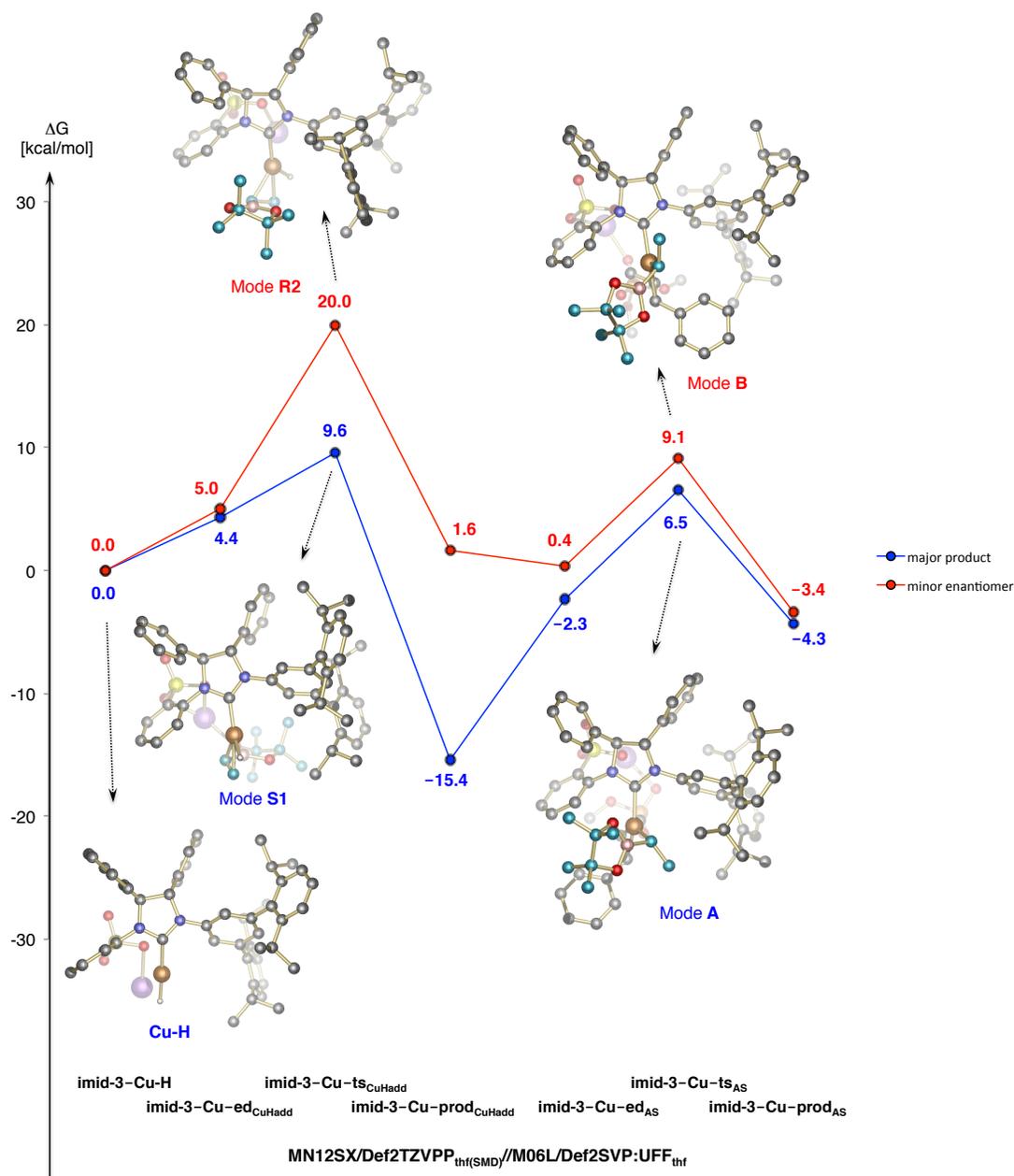


Figure S1-1. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) and allylic substitution (AS) with NHC ligand derived from imid-3 at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level (only lowest conformers for most critical pathways shown). For all other pathways including several conformers, see Figures S4-1 and S7-1.

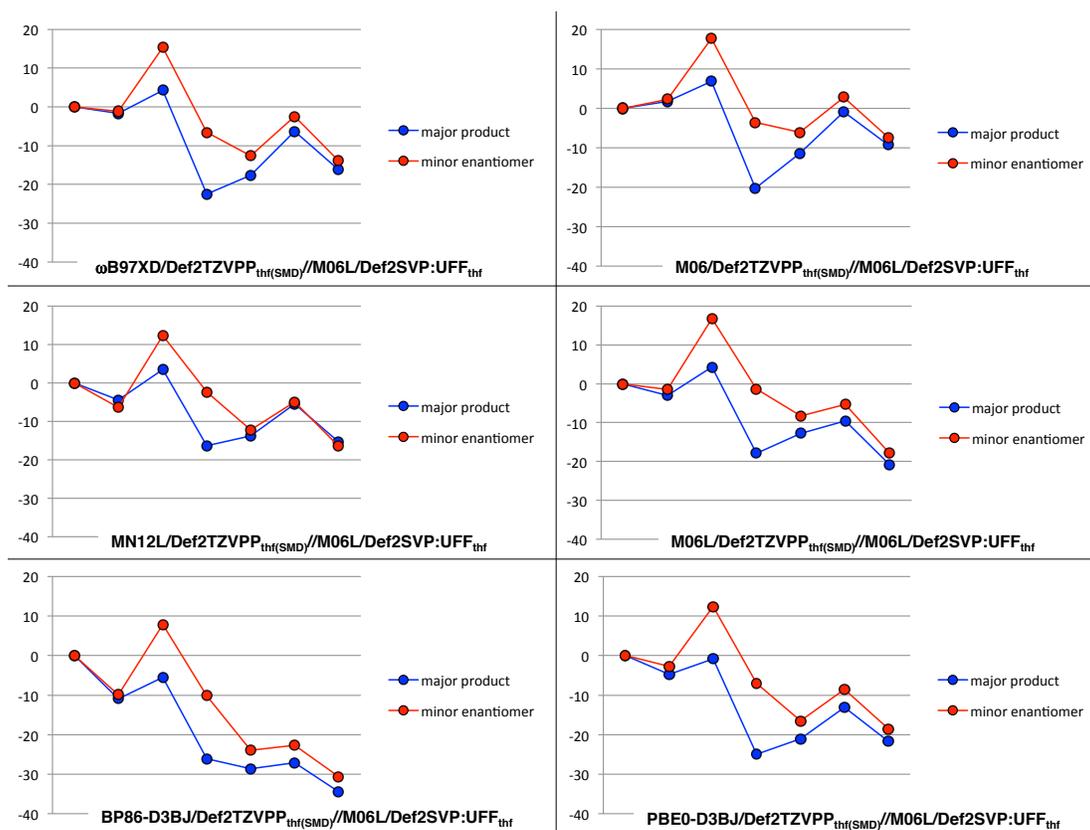


Figure S1-2. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) and allylic substitution (AS) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} (only lowest conformers for most critical pathways shown; cf. Figure S1-1). For all other pathways including several conformers, see Figures S4-2 and S7-2.

Free Energy Surface for Cu-H Addition/Allylic Substitution with ligand derived from imid-2

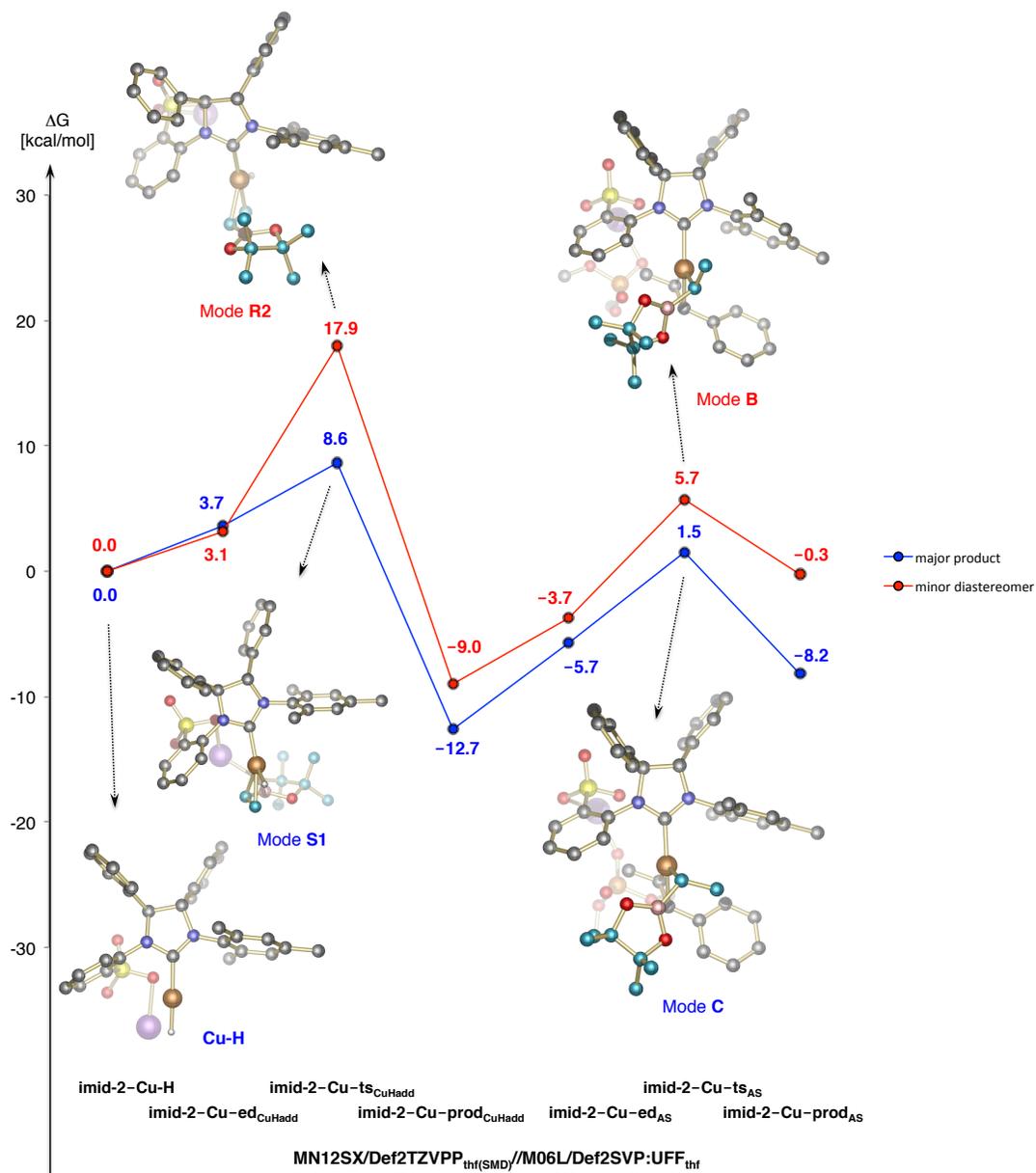


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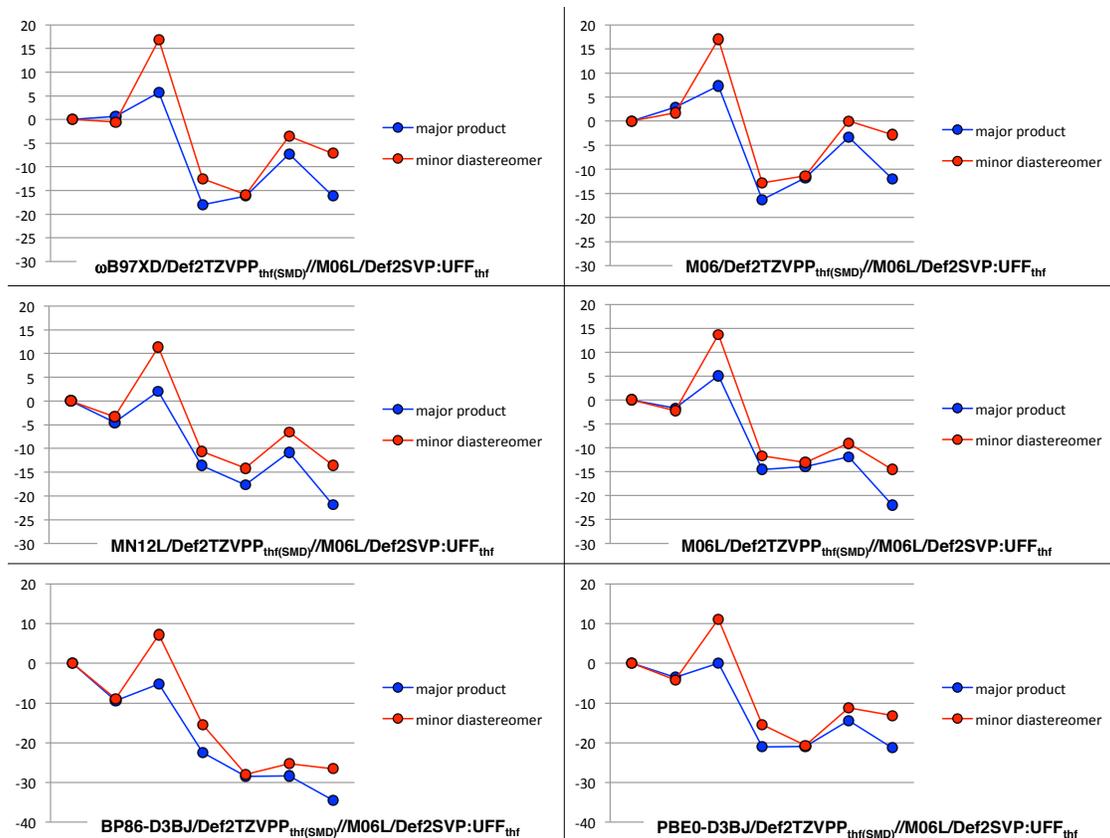


Figure S2-2. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) and allylic substitution (AS) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-2** with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} (only lowest conformers for most critical pathways shown; cf. Figure S2-1). For all other pathways including several conformers, see Figures S8-2 and S9-2.

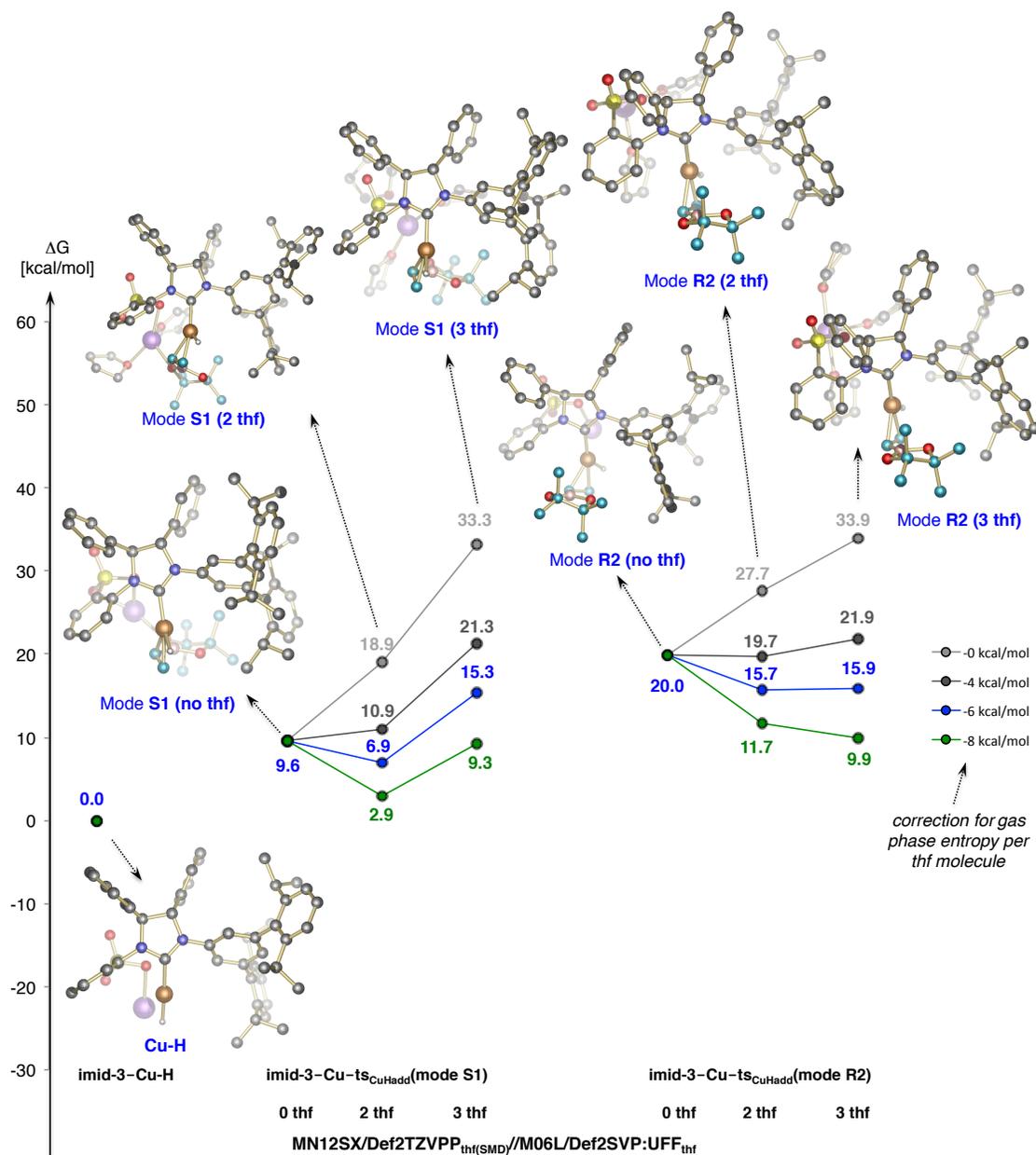
Detailed Investigation of the $O^{\text{Bpin}} \rightarrow \text{Metal Coordination}$ 

Figure S3-1. Free energies for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** at the MN12SX/DefTZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level with varying number of thf molecules coordinated to the Na counterion (only lowest conformers for pathways **S1** and **R2** shown). For all other pathways including several conformers, see Figures S4-1, S5-1 and S6-1.

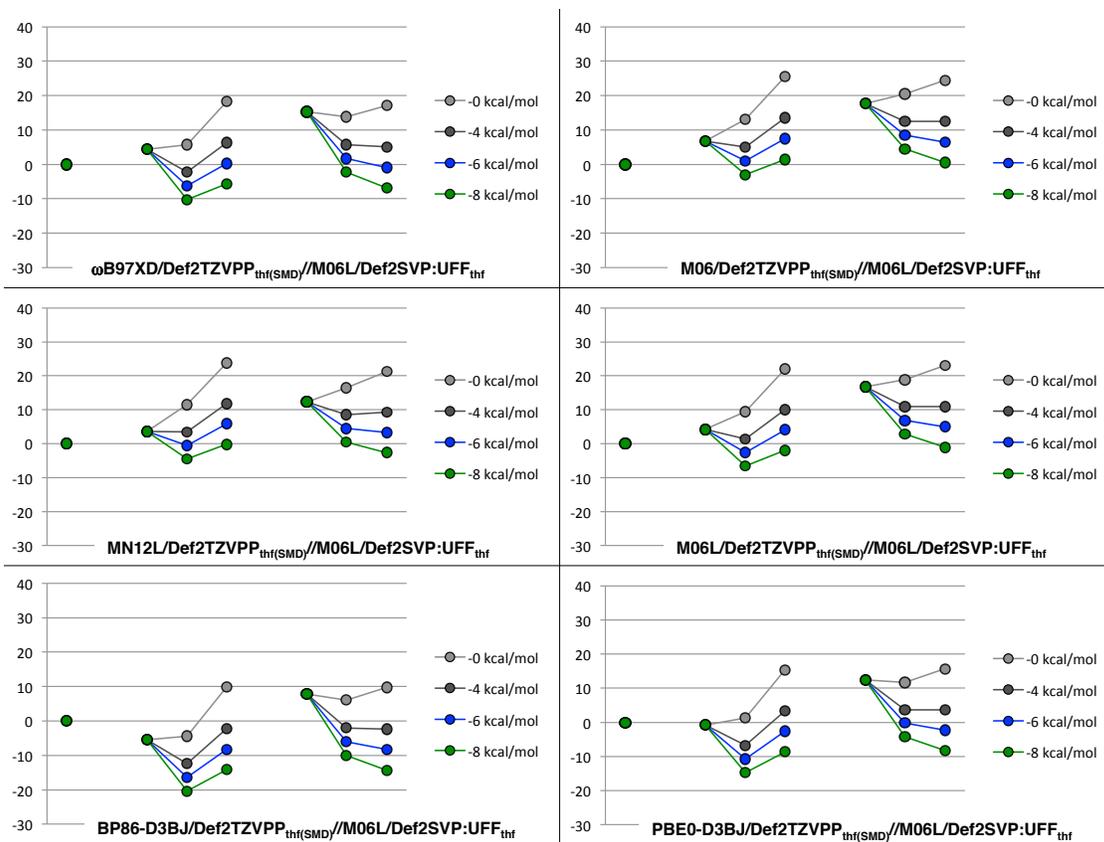


Figure S3-2. Free energies for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} with varying number of thf molecules coordinated to the Na counterion (only lowest conformers for pathways **S1** and **R2** shown; cf. Figure S3-1). For all other pathways including several conformers, see Figures S4-2, S5-2 and S6-2.

Several Pathways and Conformers for Cu-H Addition (model without explicit thf molecules) with ligand derived from imid-3

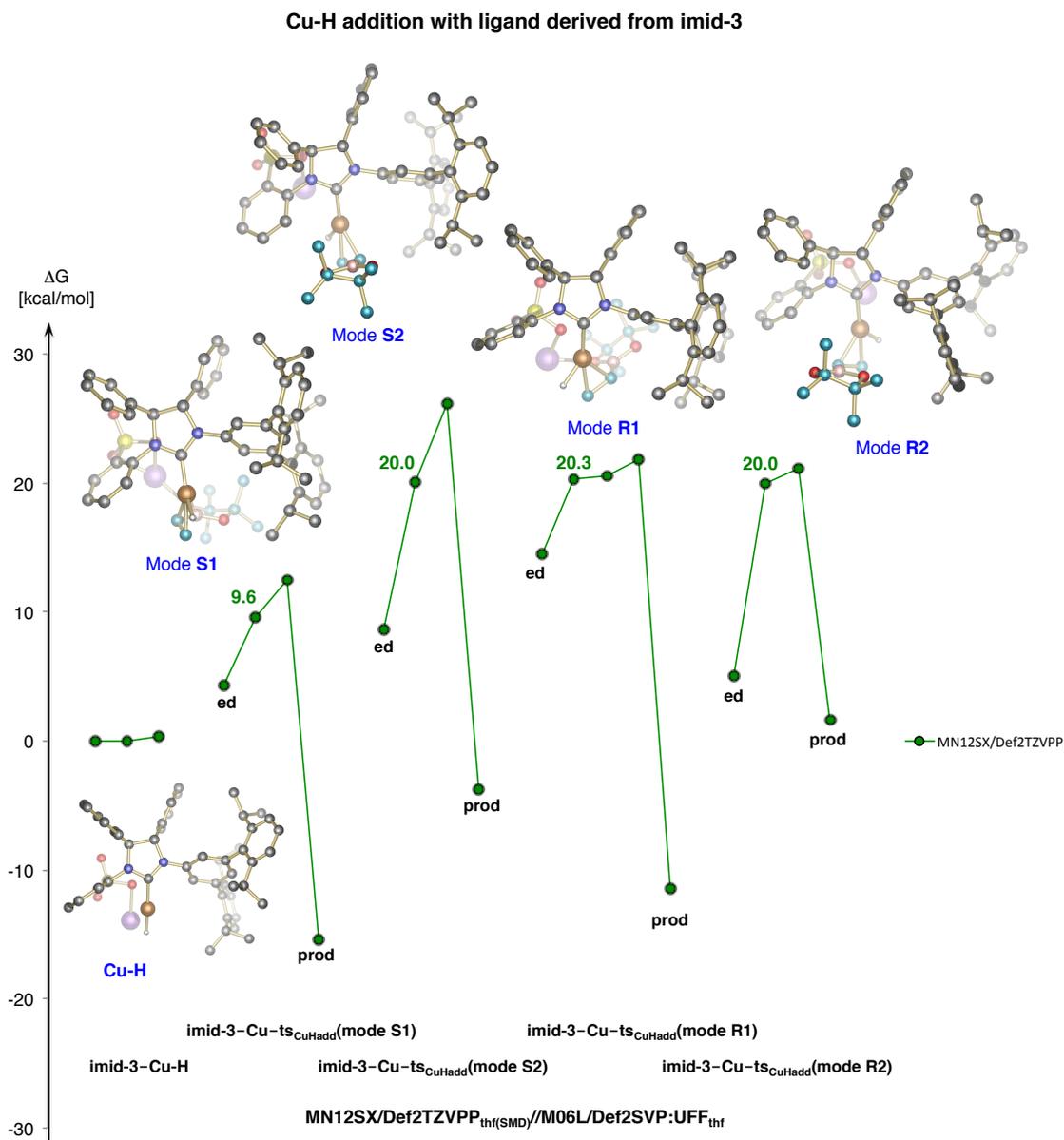


Figure S4-1. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from imid-3 at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition).

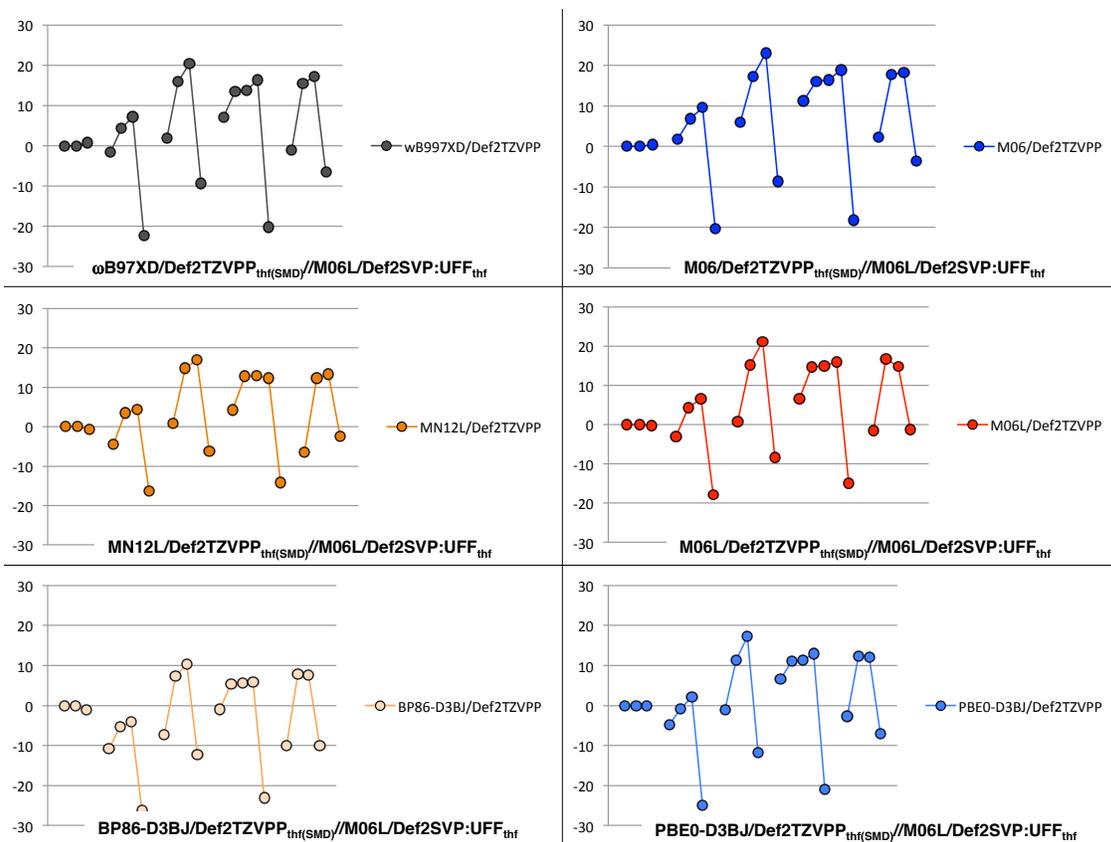


Figure S4-2. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from imid-3 with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition; cf. Figure S4-1).

Several Pathways and Conformers for Cu-H Addition (model with 2 explicit thf molecules) with ligand derived from imid-3

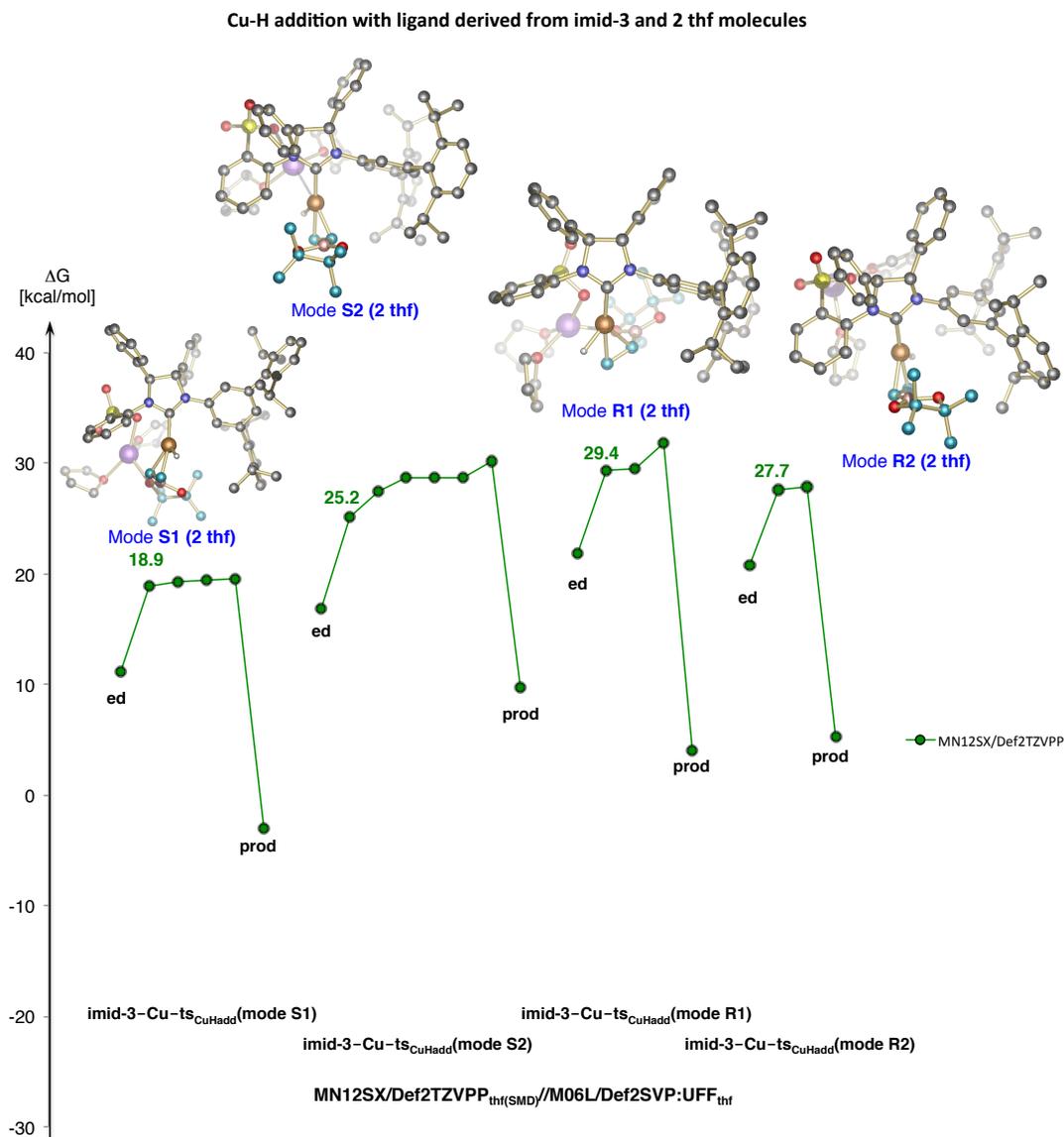


Figure S5-1. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** with two explicit thf molecules coordinated to the Na counterion at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition).

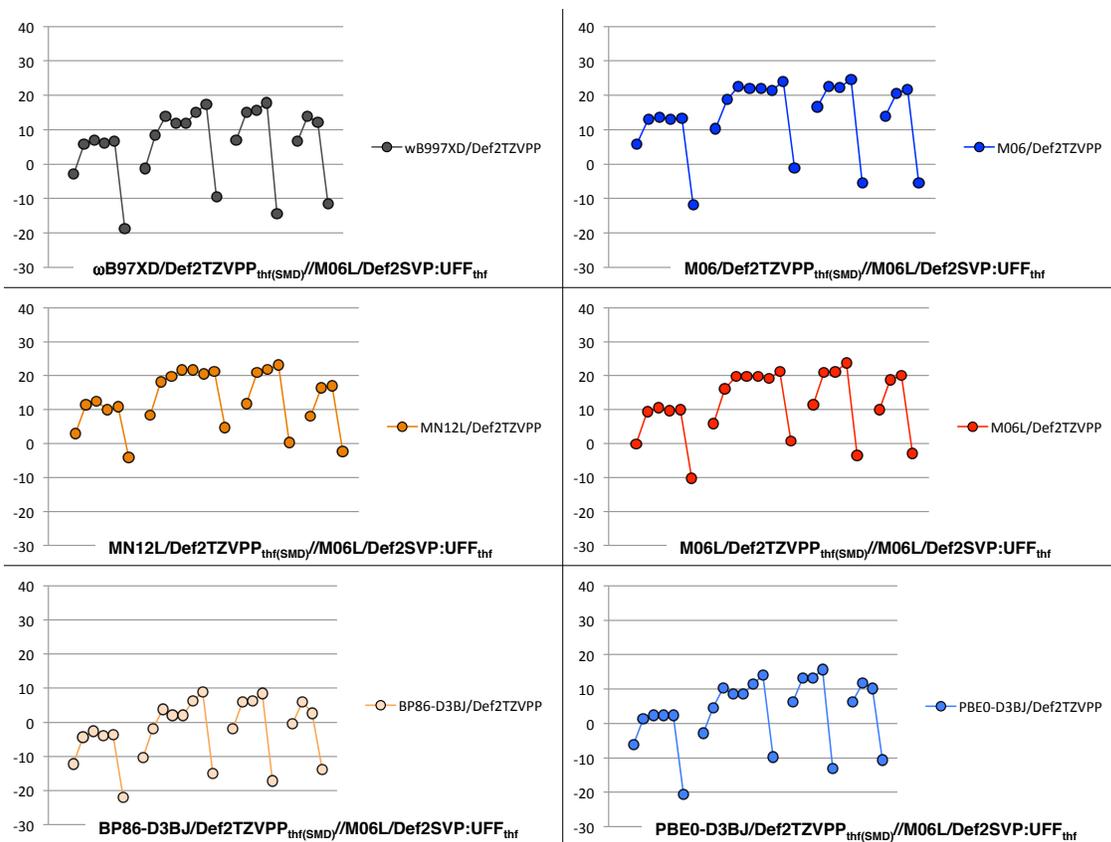


Figure S5-2. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** with two explicit thf molecules coordinated to the Na counterion with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition; cf. Figure S5-1).

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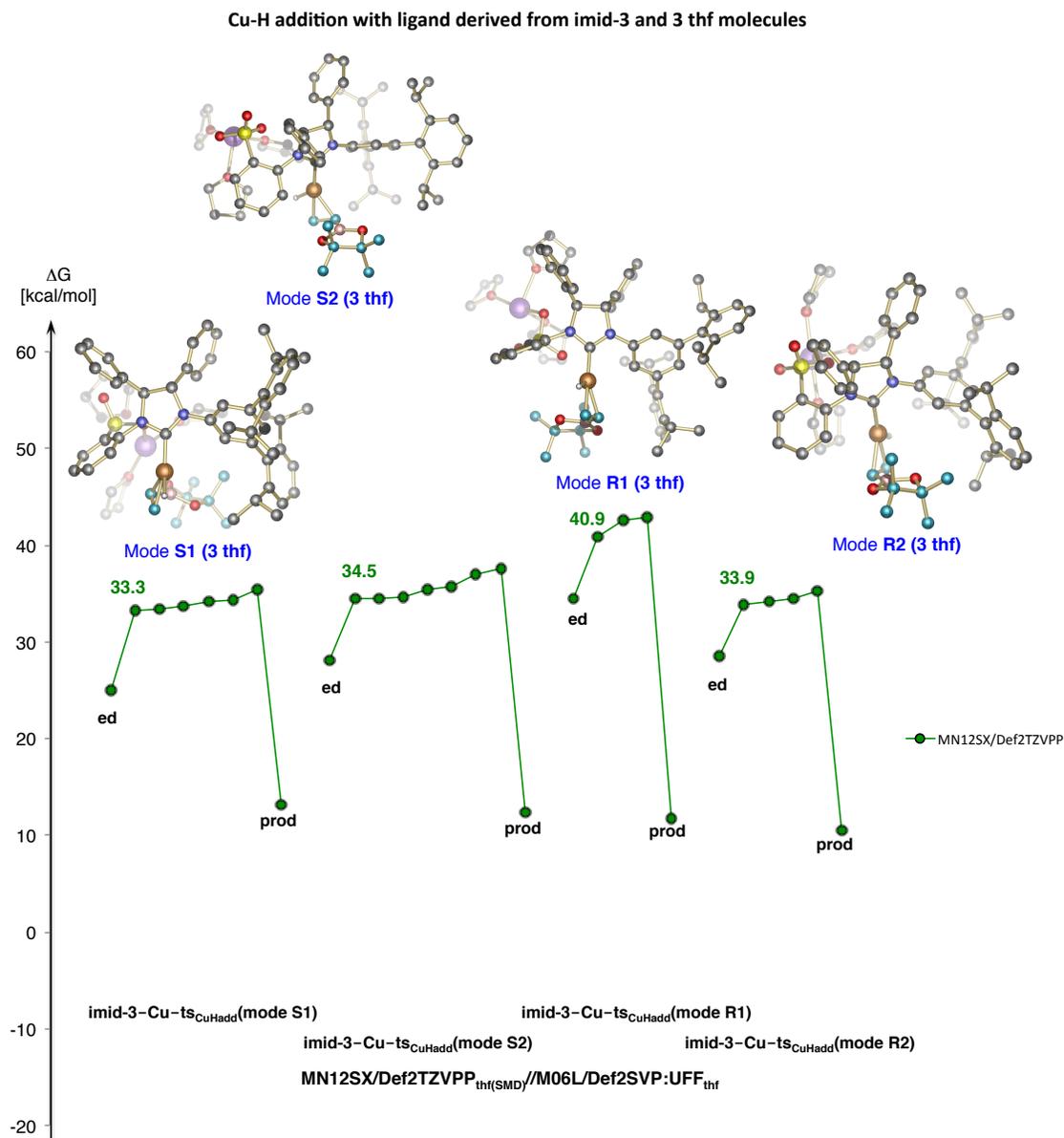


Figure S6-1. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** with three explicit thf molecules coordinated to the Na counterion at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition).

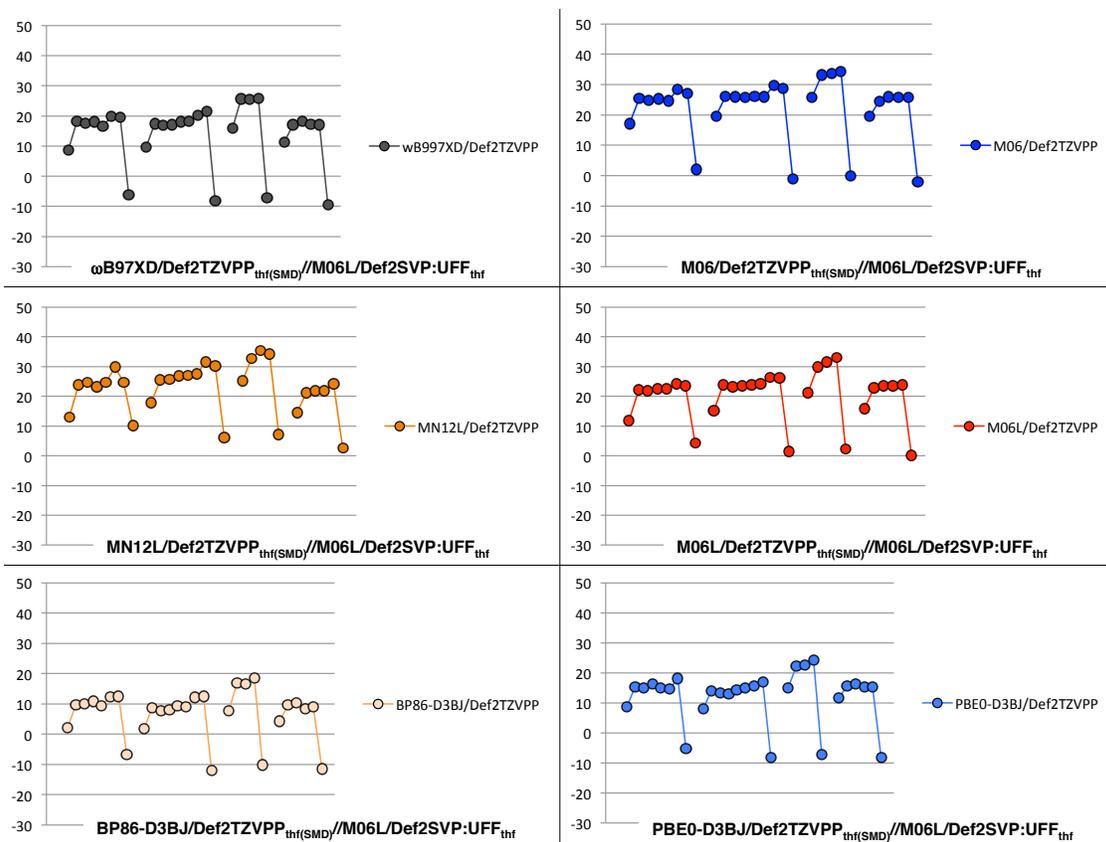


Figure S6-2. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-3** with three explicit thf molecules coordinated to the Na counterion with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{thf} (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition; cf. Figure S6-1).

Several Pathways and Conformers for Allylic Substitution with ligand derived from imid-3

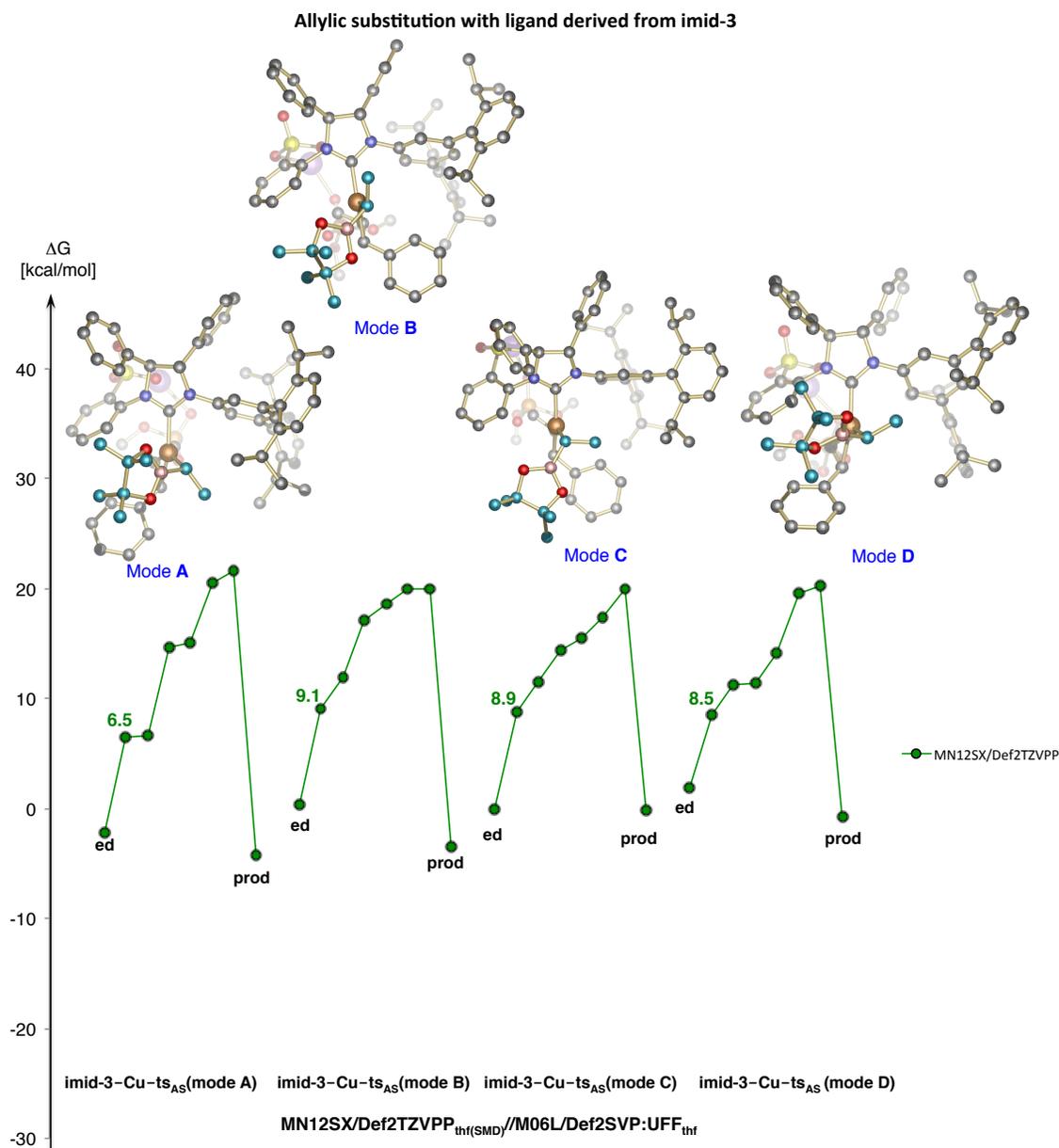


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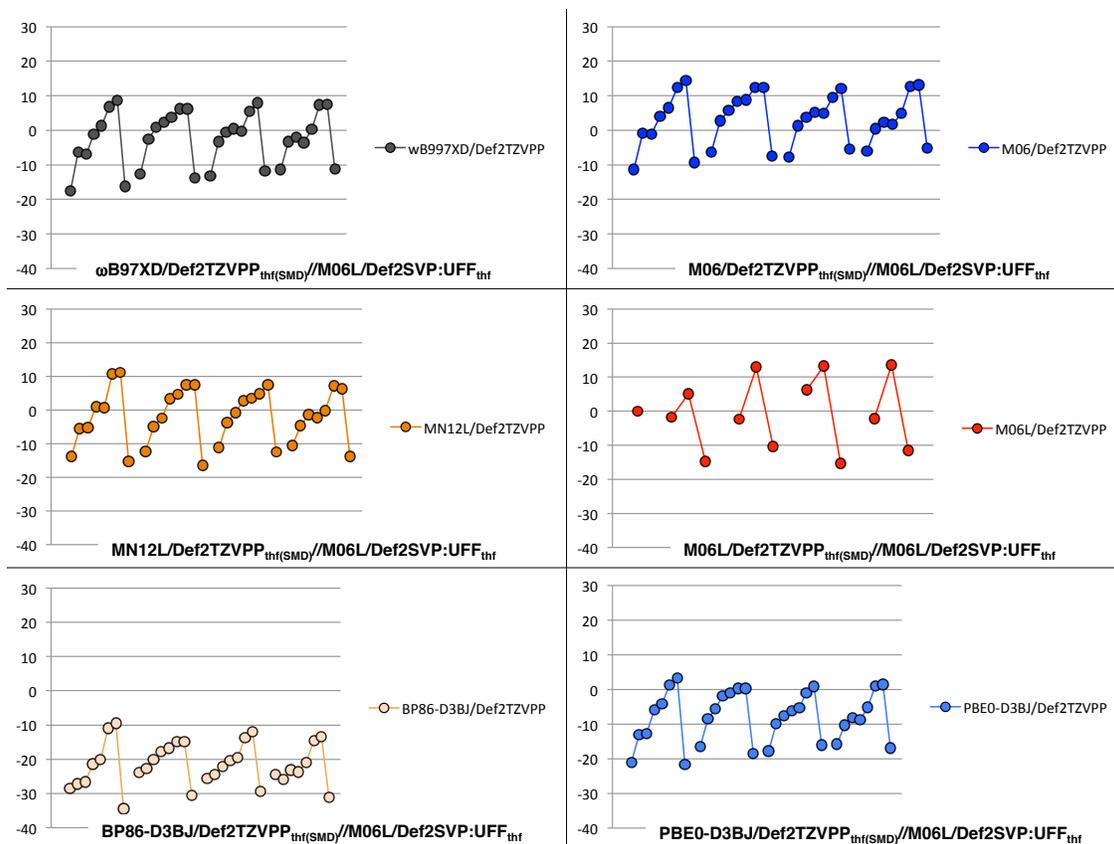


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Several Pathways and Conformers for Cu-H Addition (model without explicit thf molecules) with ligand derived from imid-2

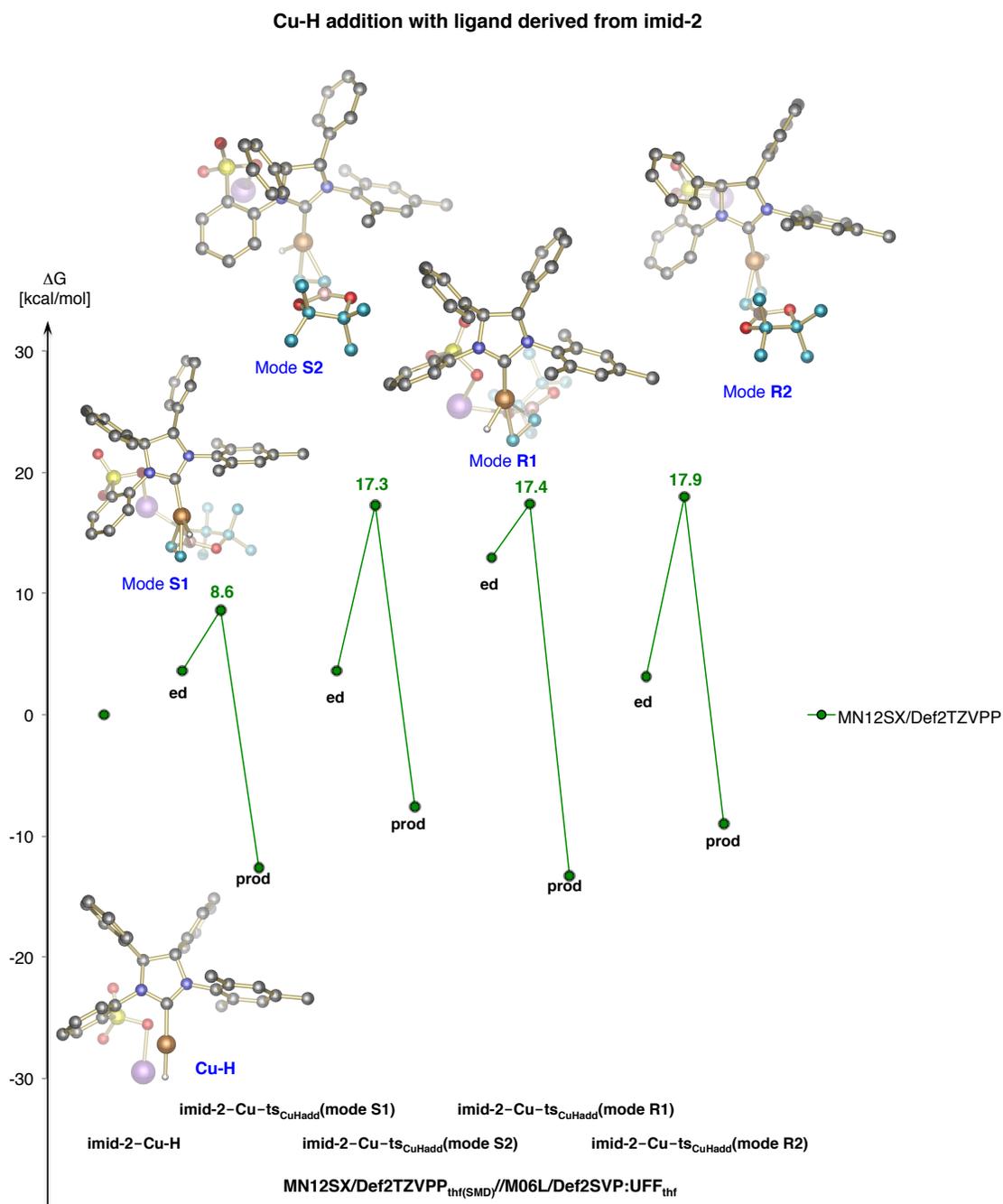


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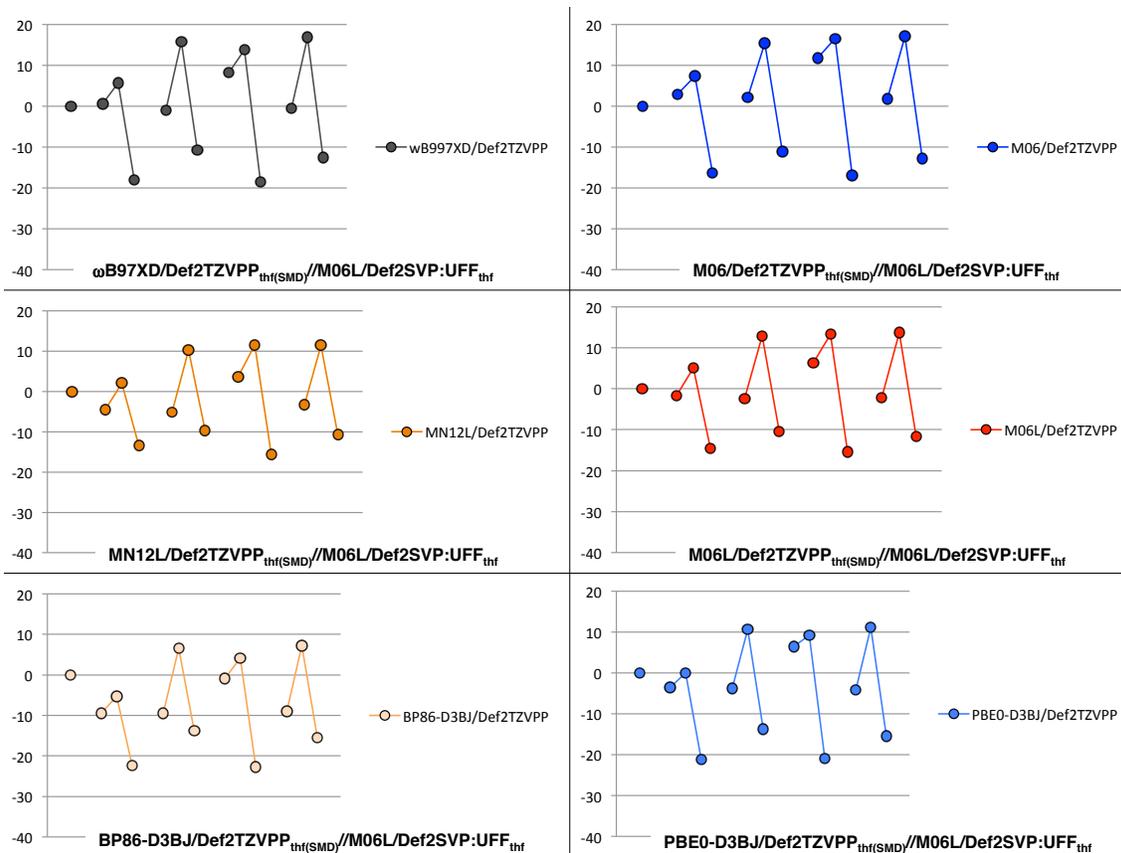


Figure S8-2. Free energy surfaces for Cu-H addition (CuHadd) with NHC ligand derived from imid-2 with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} (all pathways **S1**, **S2**, **R1** and **R2** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition; cf. Figure S8-1).

Several Pathways and Conformers for Allylic Substitution with ligand derived from imid-2

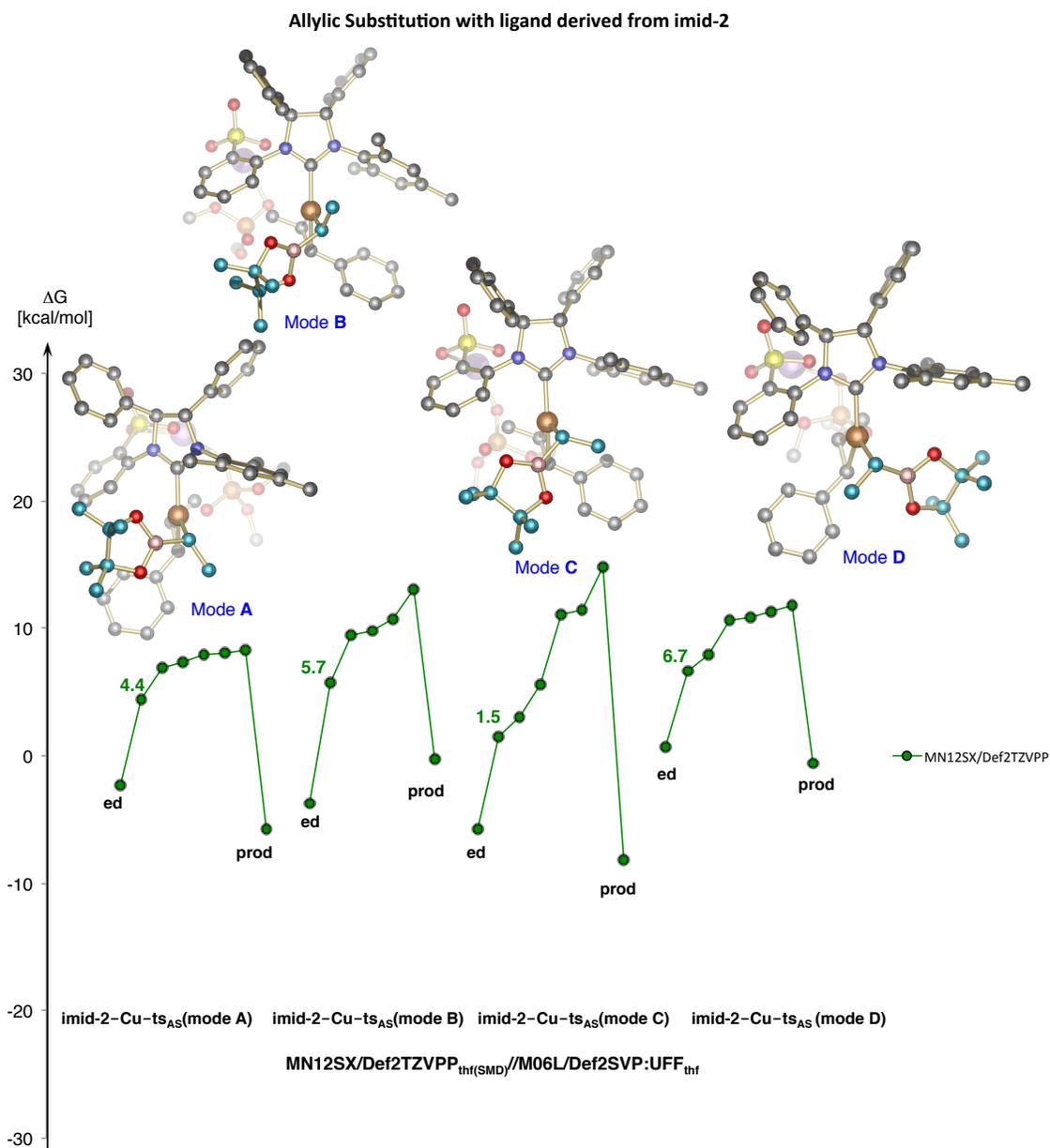


Figure S9-1. Free energy surfaces for allylic substitution (AS) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-2** at the MN12SX/Def2TZVPP_{THF(SMD)}//M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} level (all pathways **A**, **B**, **C** and **D** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition).

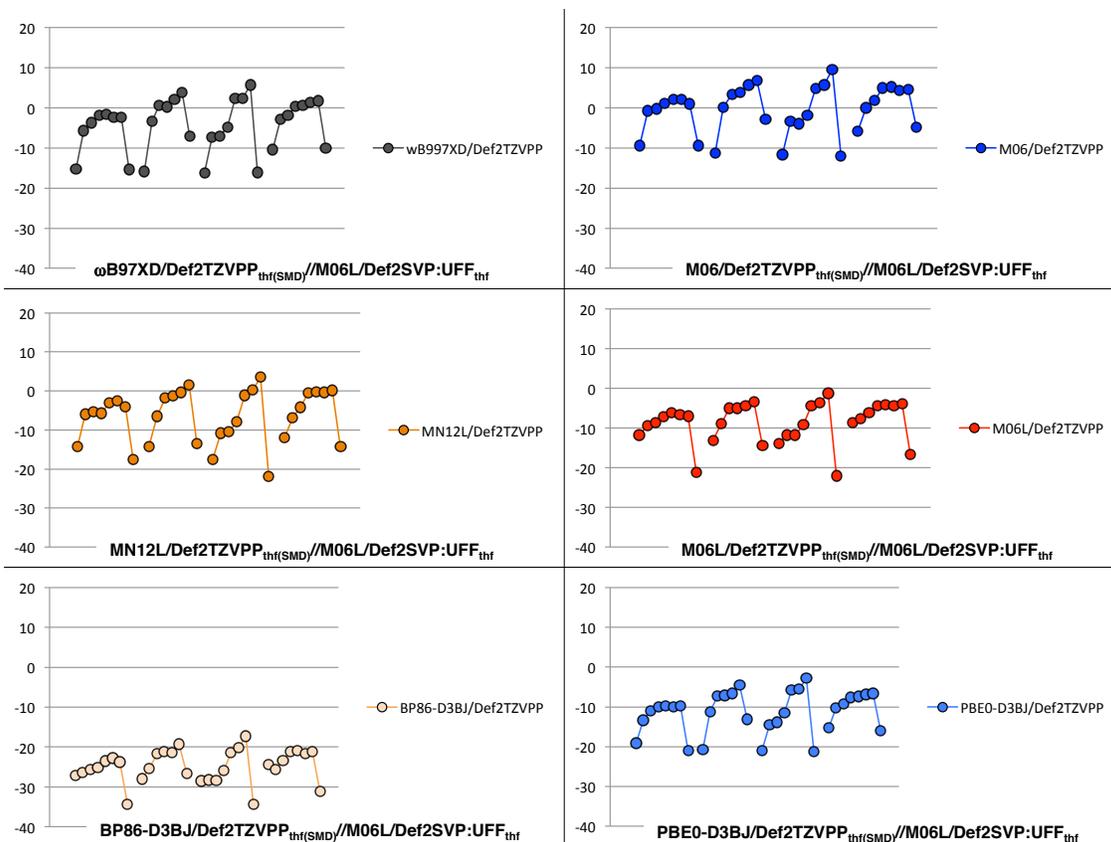
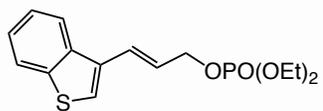


Figure S9-2. Free energy surfaces for allylic substitution (AS) with NHC ligand derived from **imid-2** with various density functionals after optimization with M06L/Def2SVP:UFF_{THF} (all pathways **A**, **B**, **C** and **D** shown, including one **ed** and **prod** for each mode of addition; cf. Figure S9-1)

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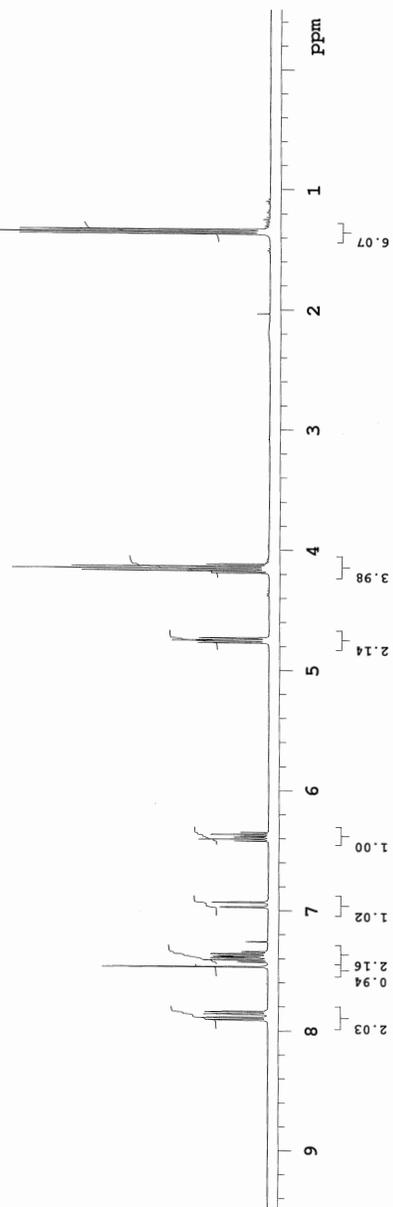
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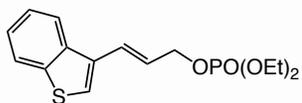
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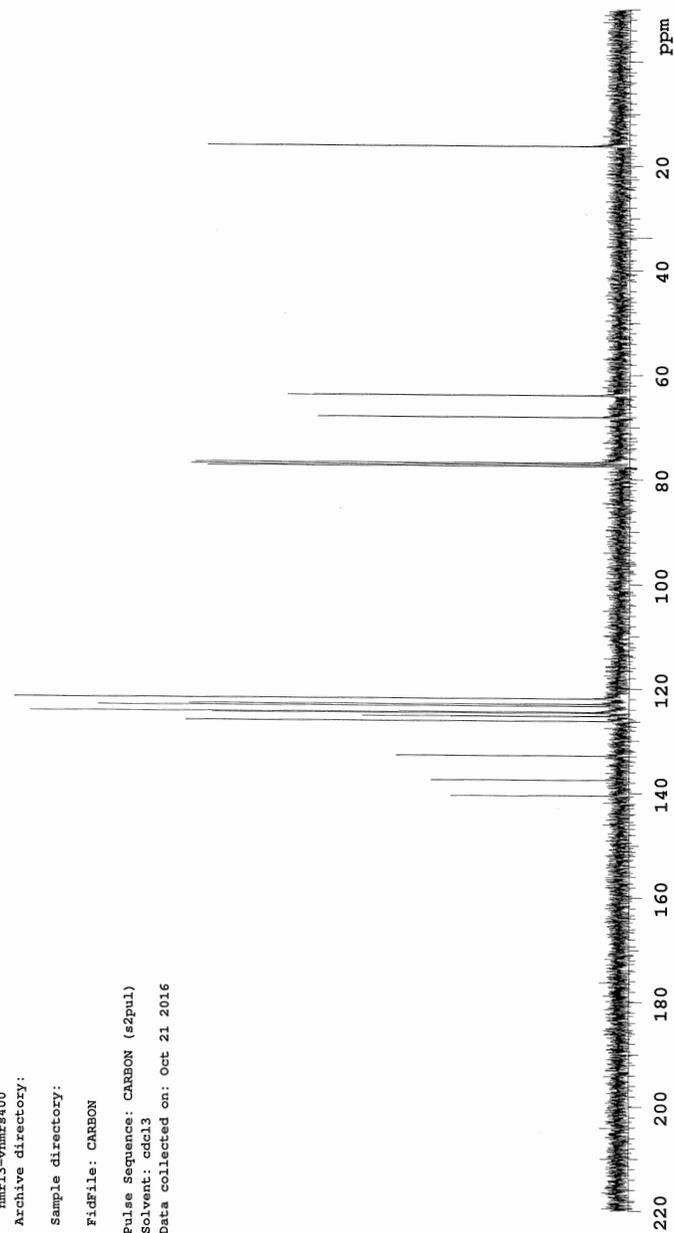
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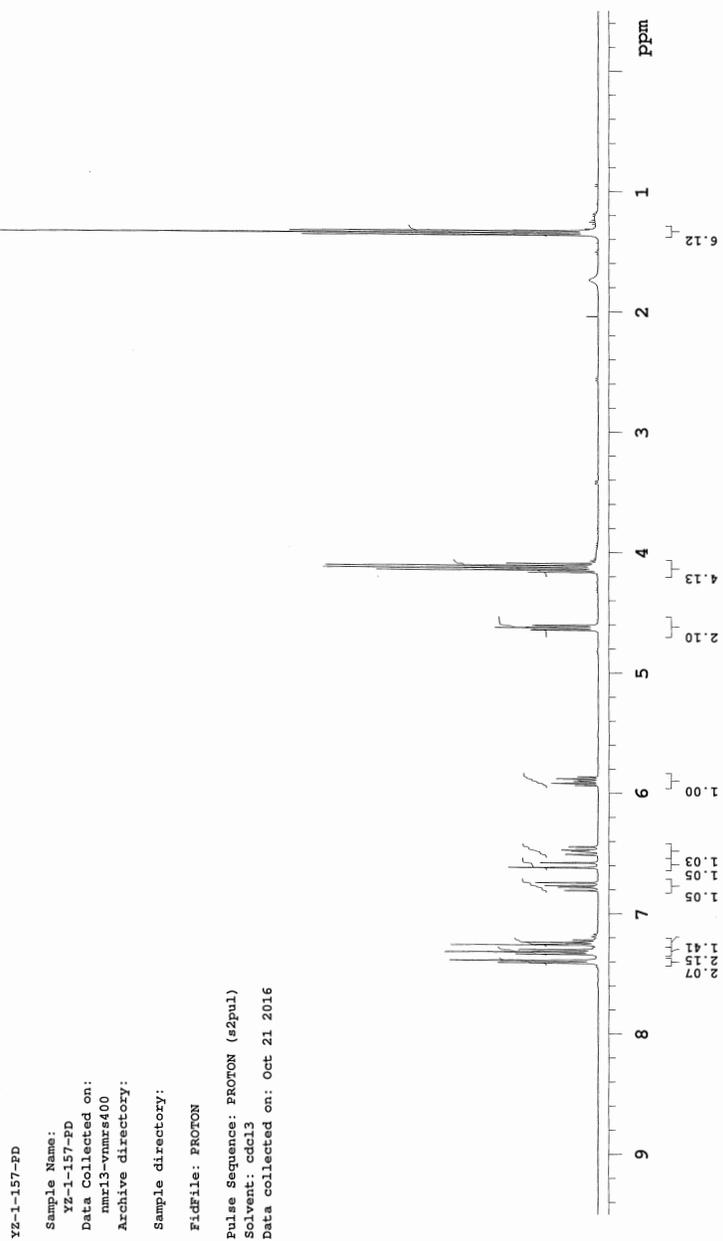
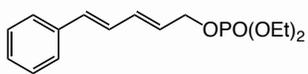
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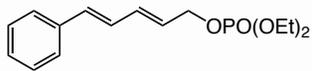
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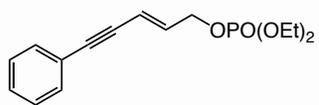
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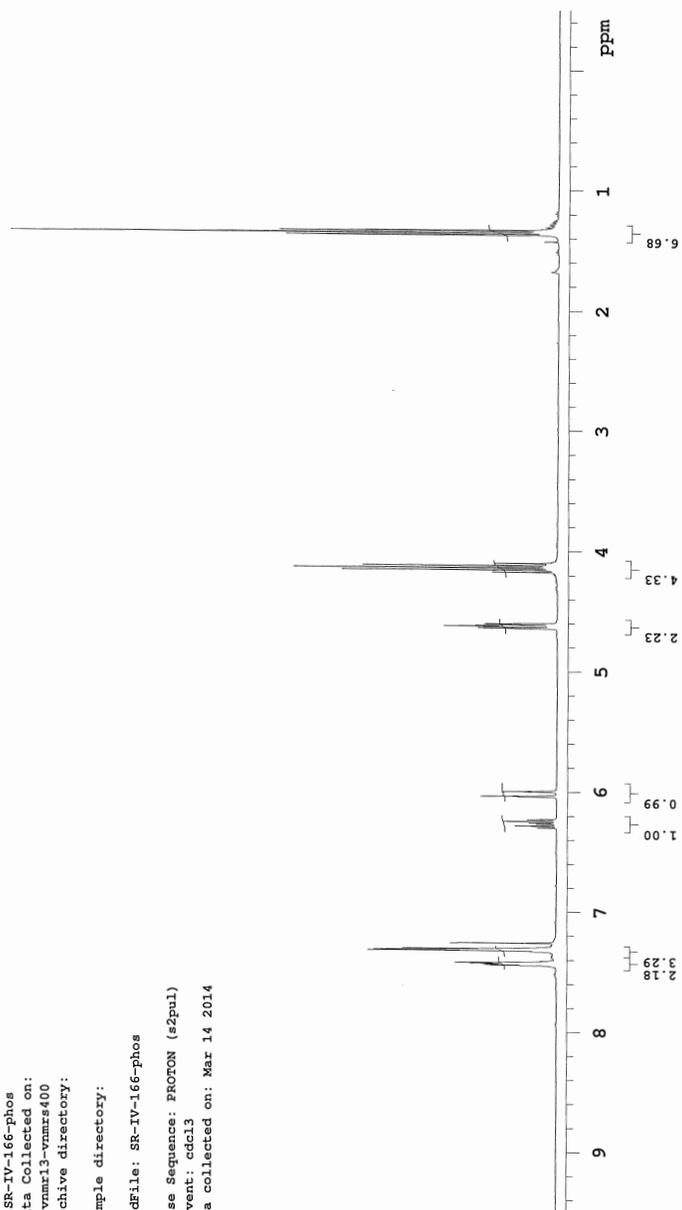
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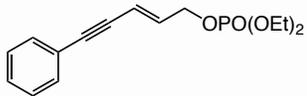
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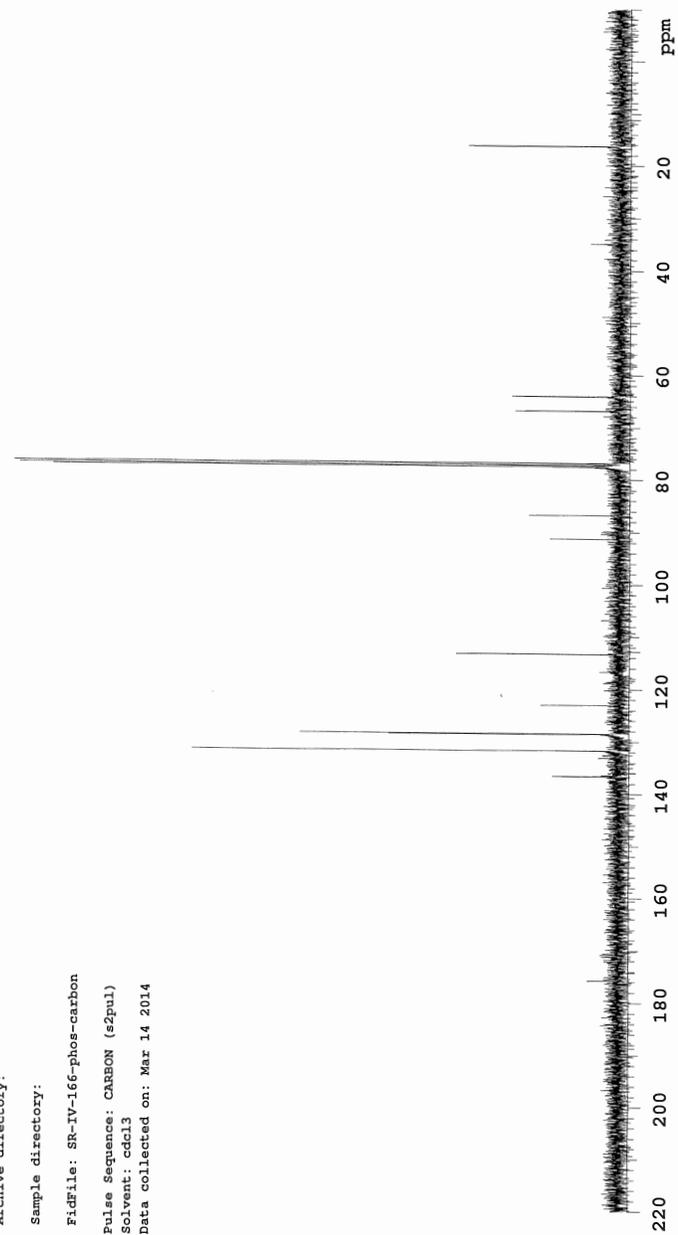


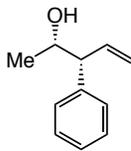
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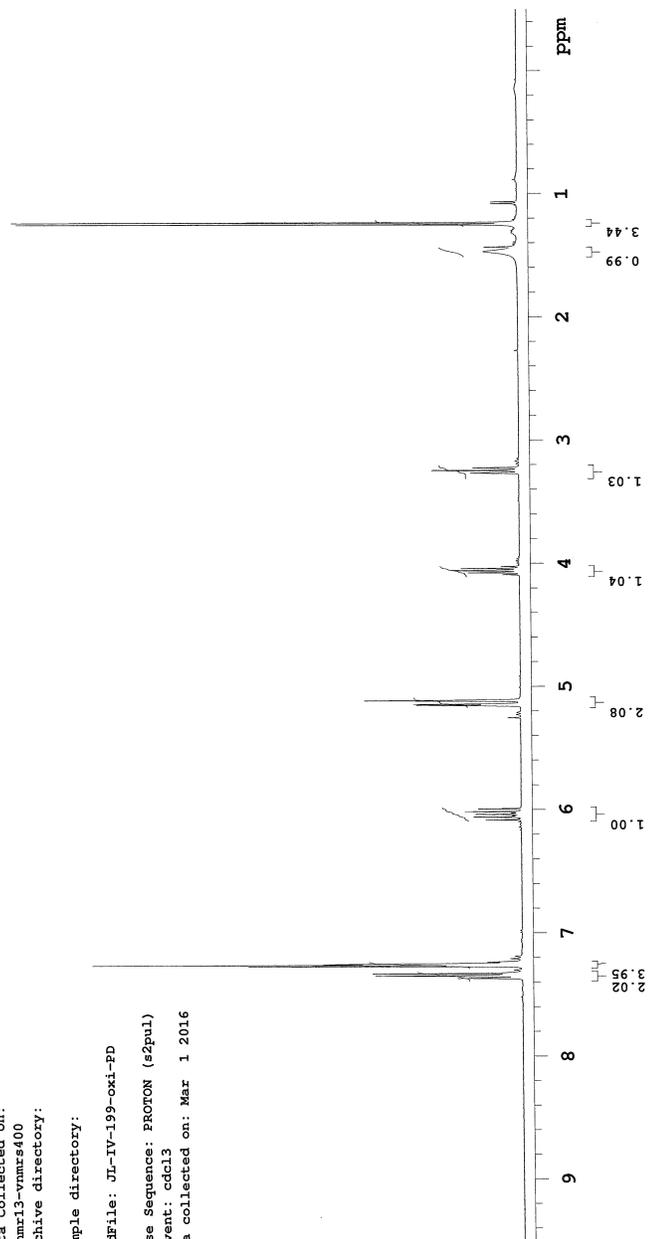
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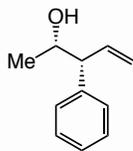
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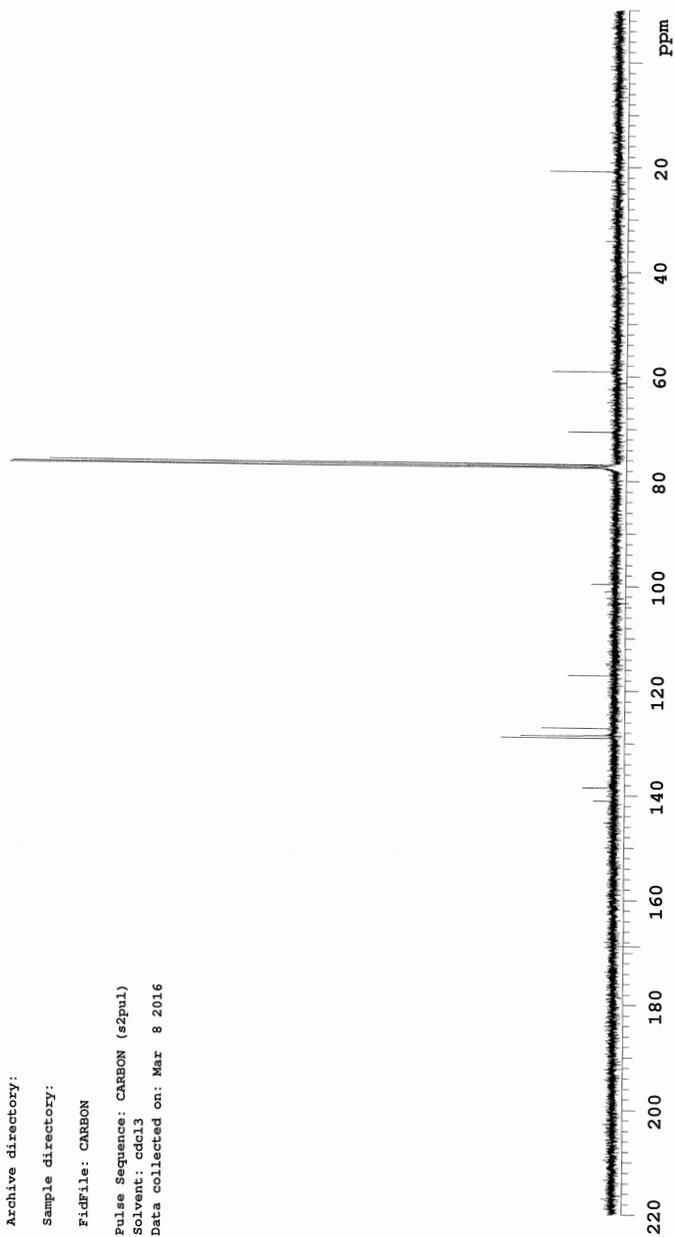
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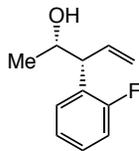
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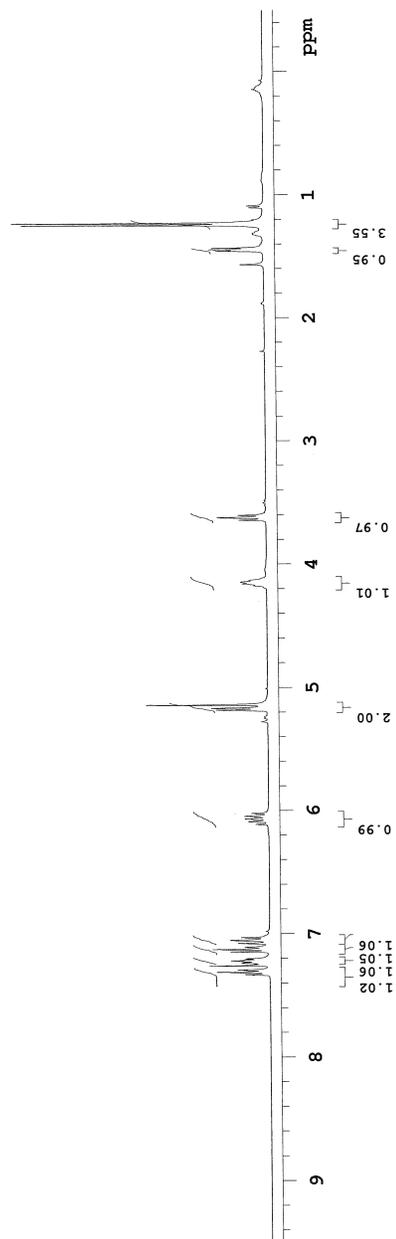


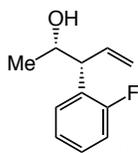
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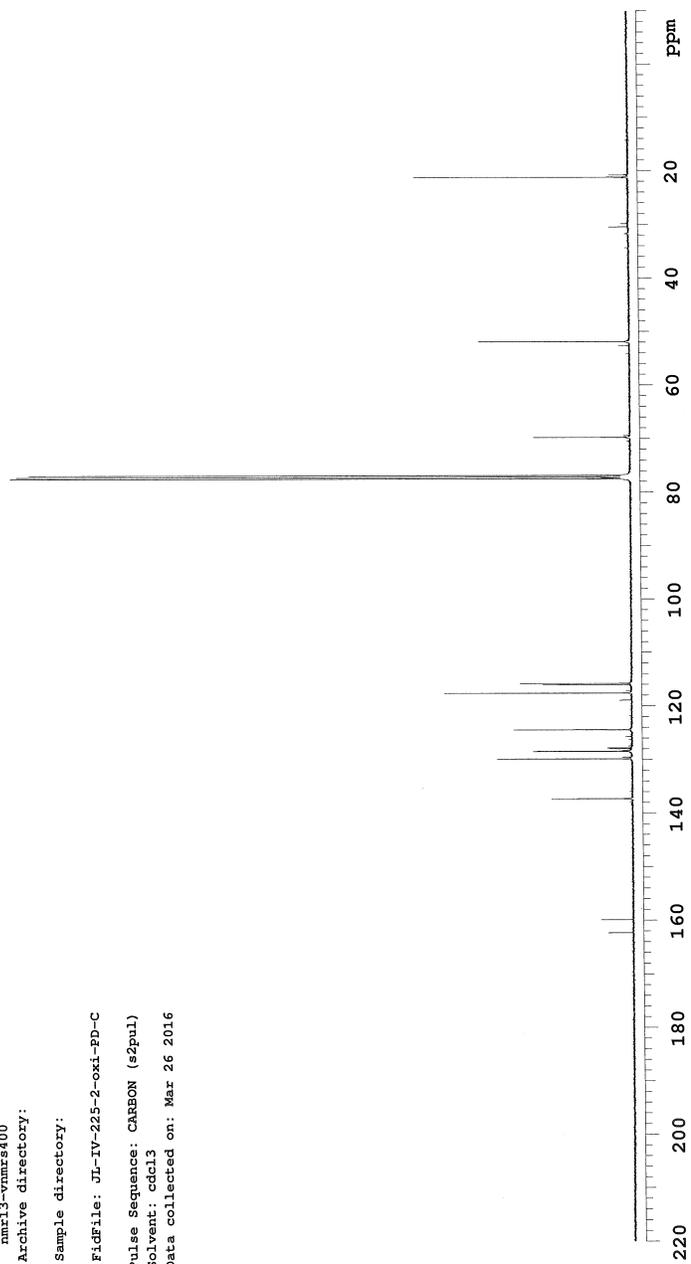
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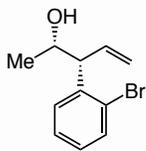
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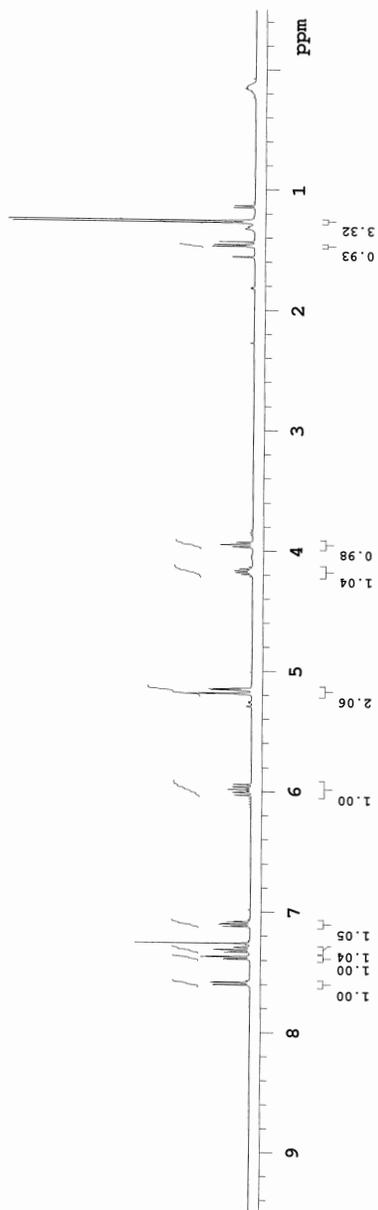
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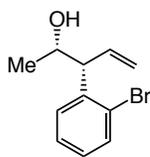
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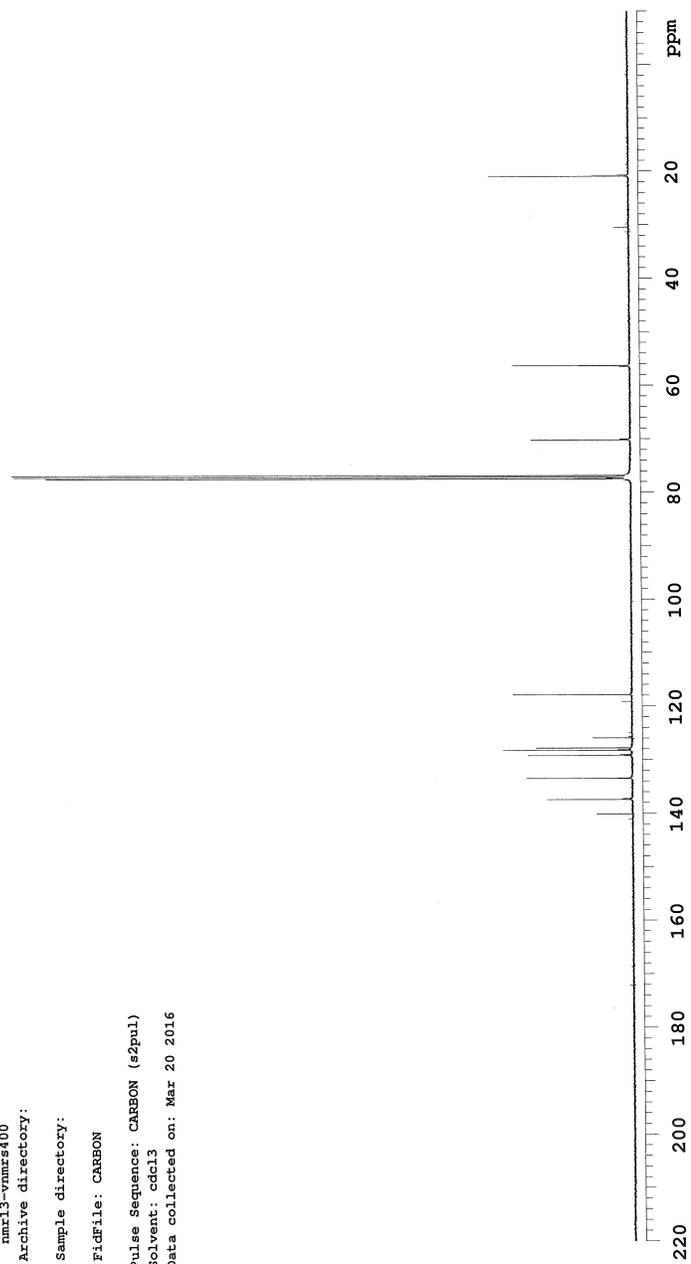
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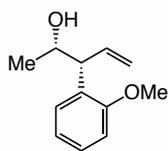
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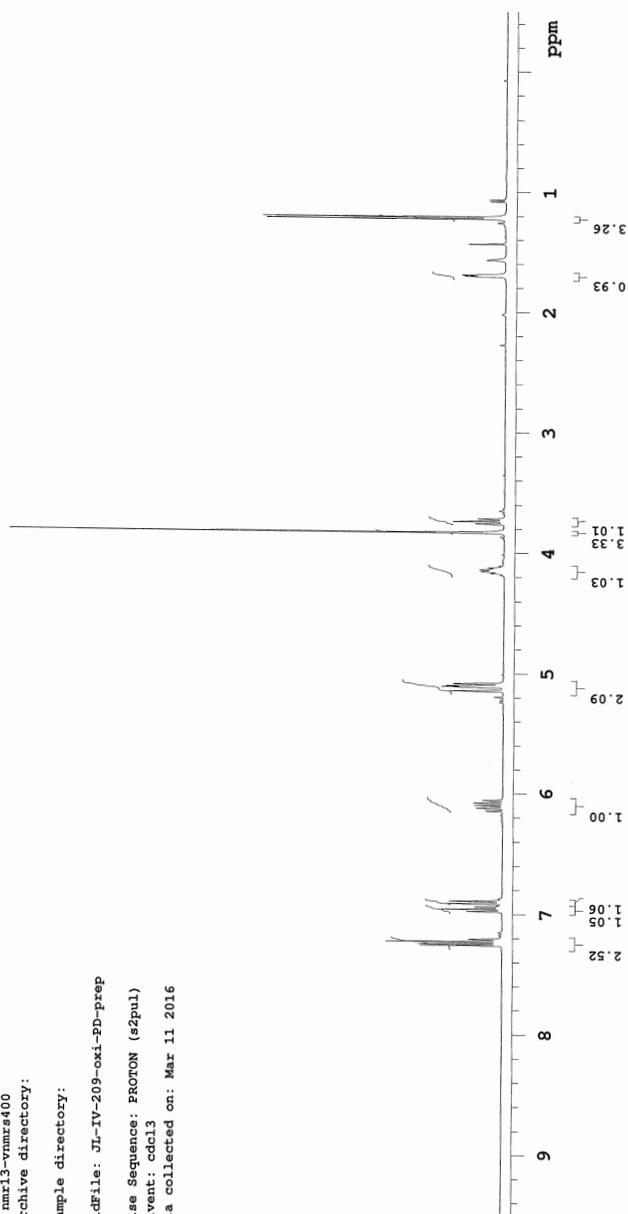
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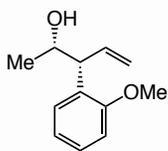
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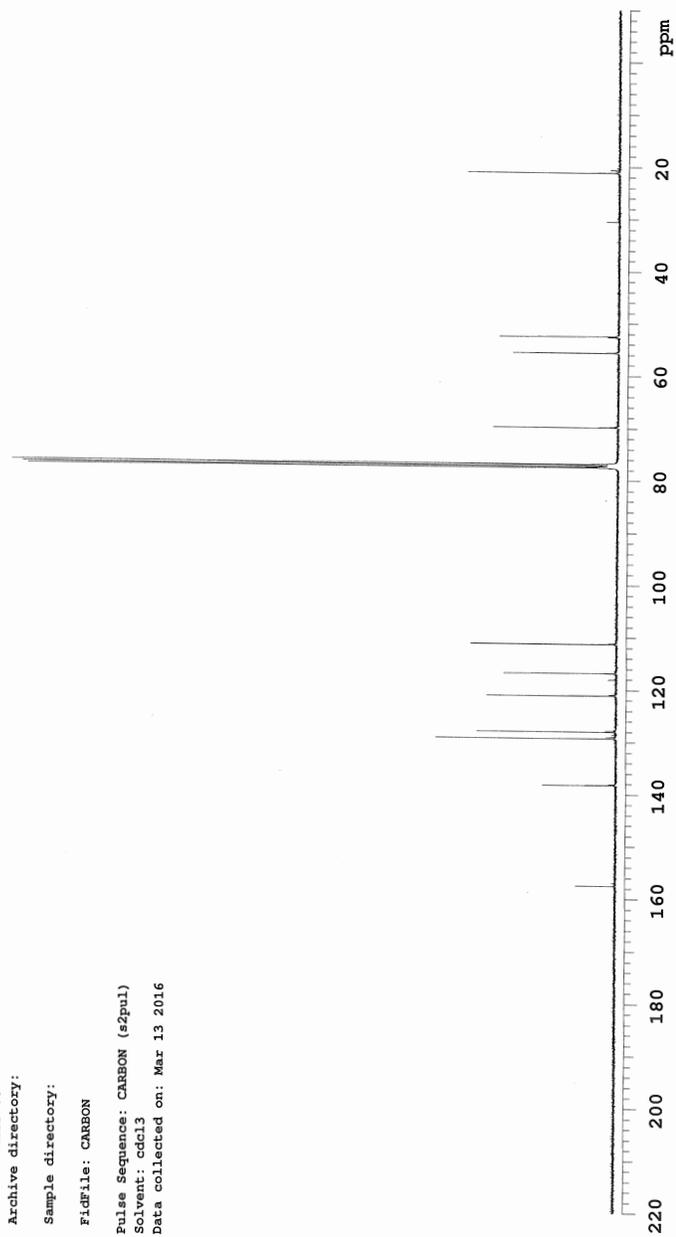
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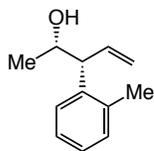
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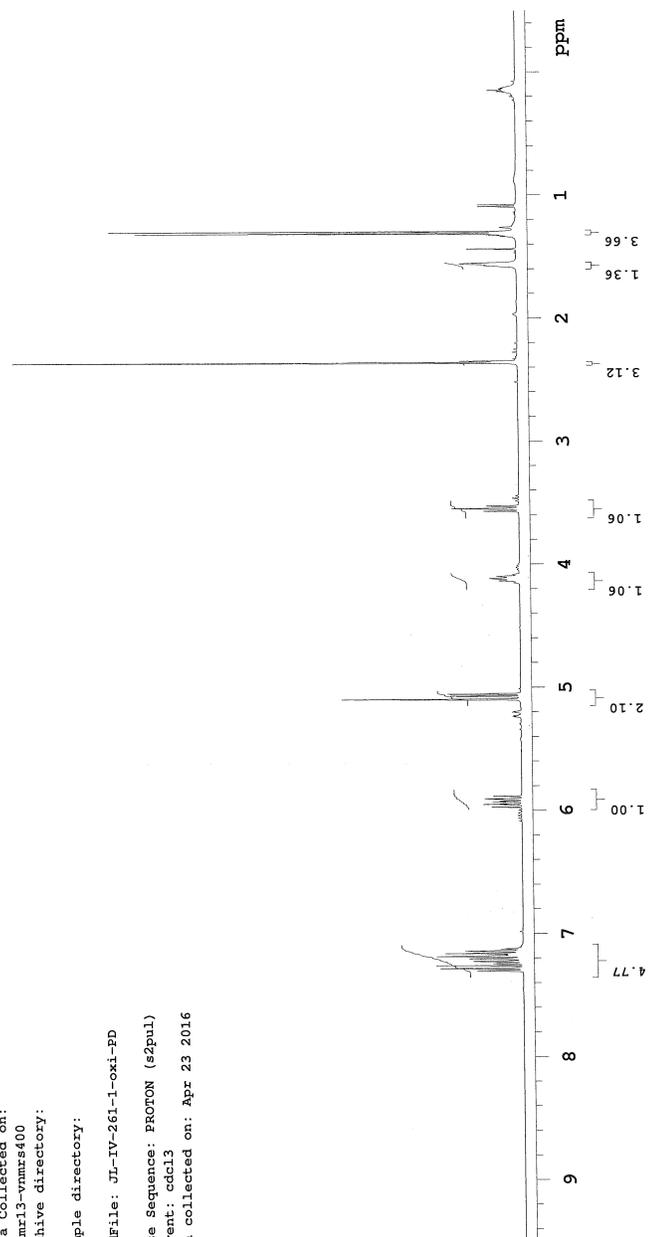


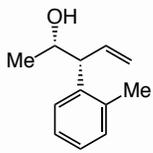
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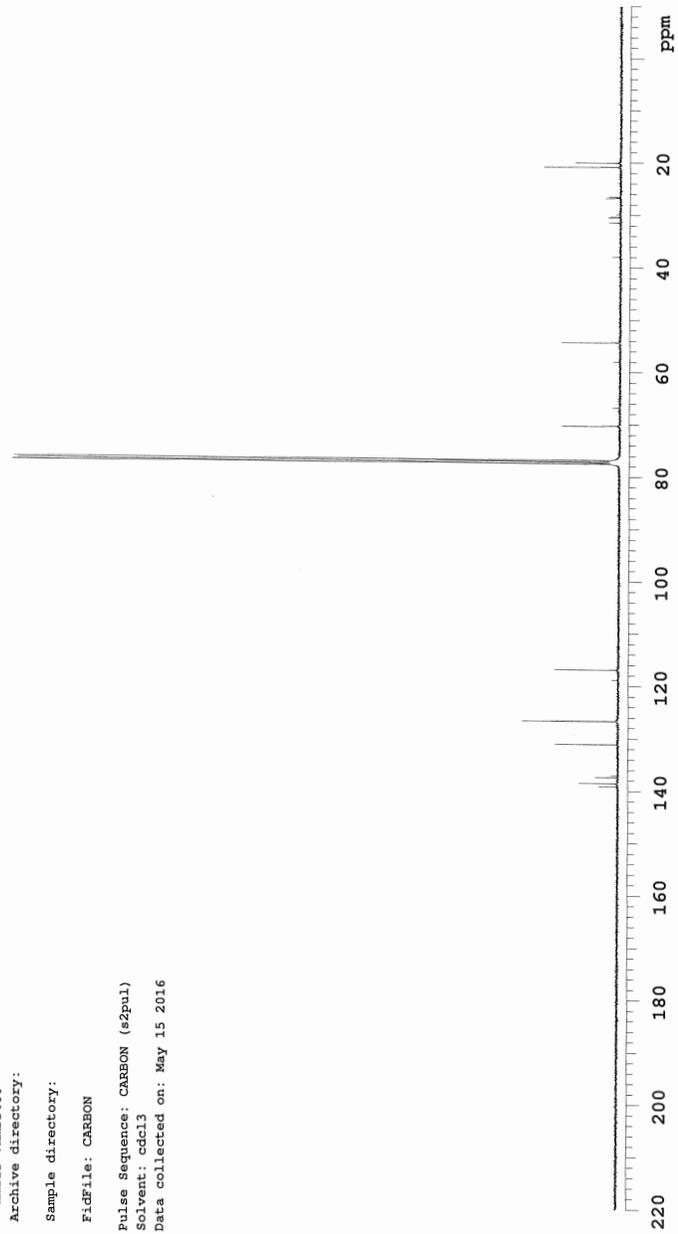
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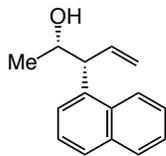
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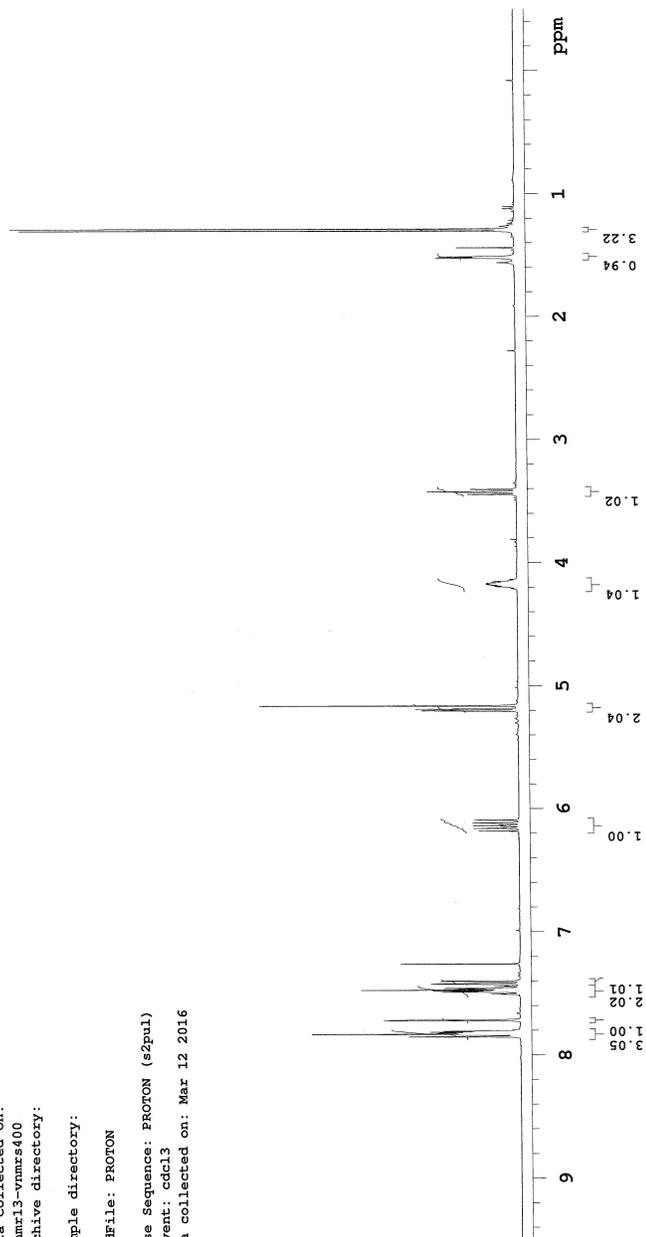
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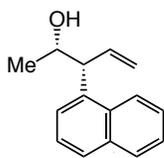
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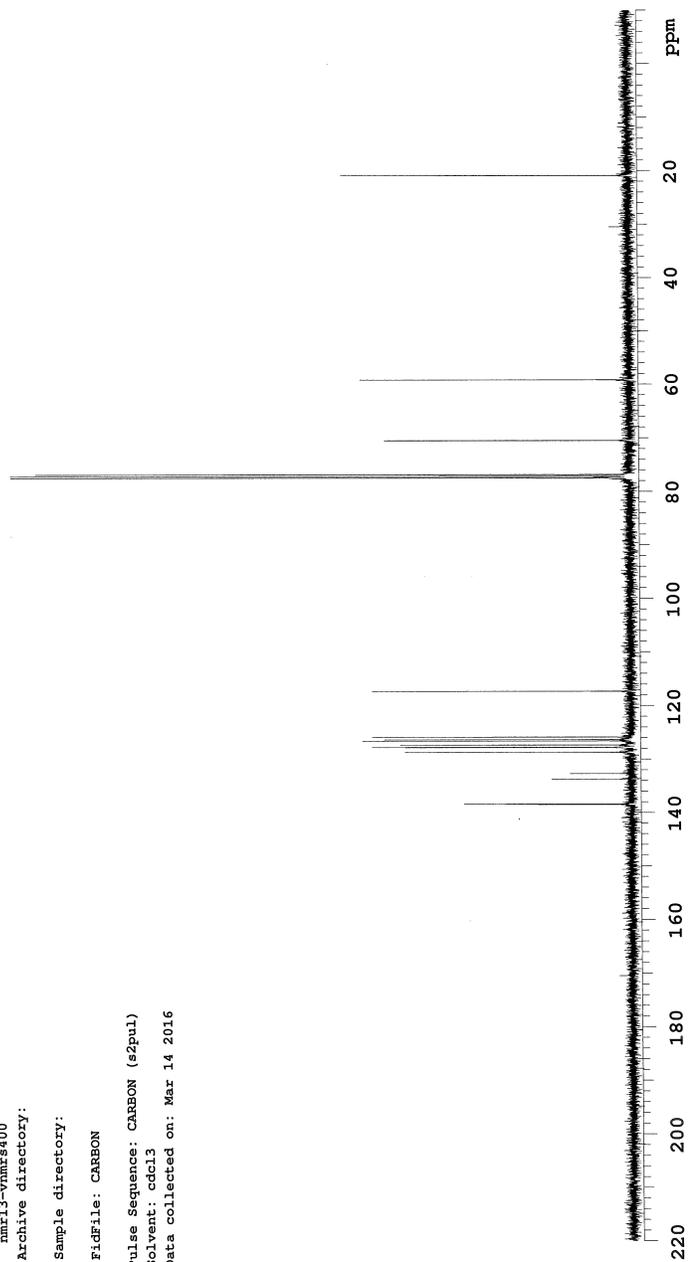
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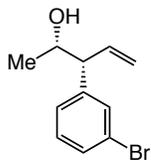




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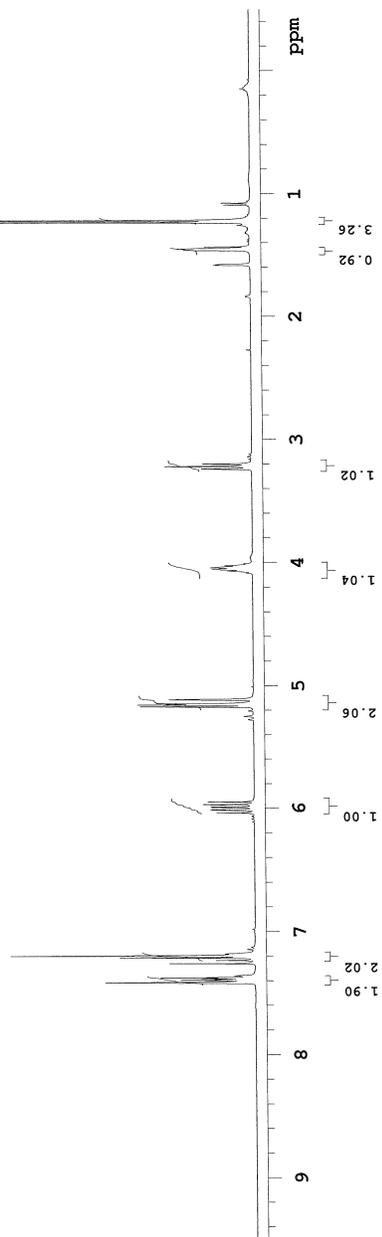


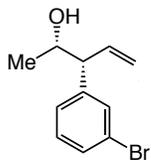
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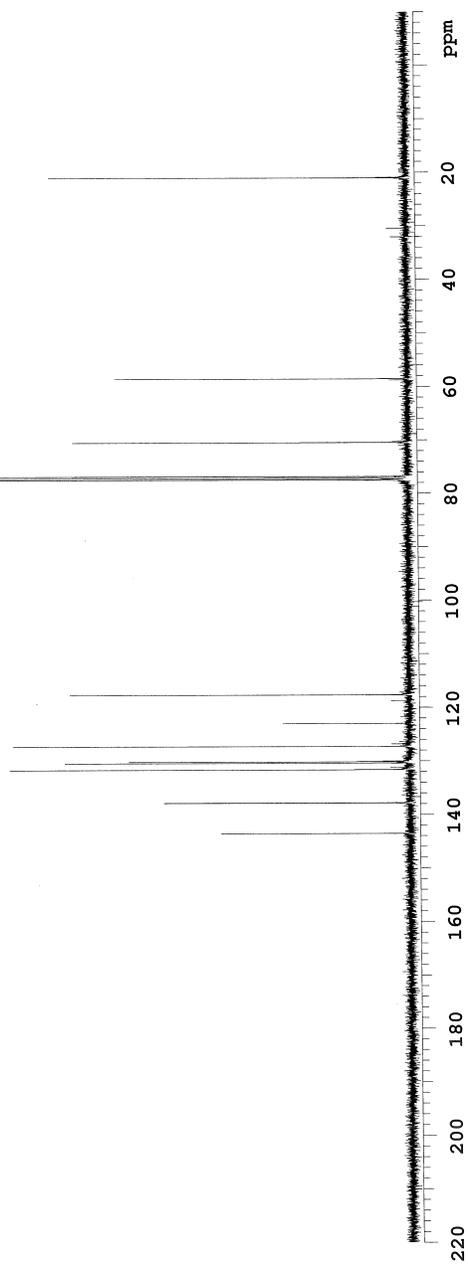
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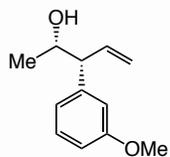
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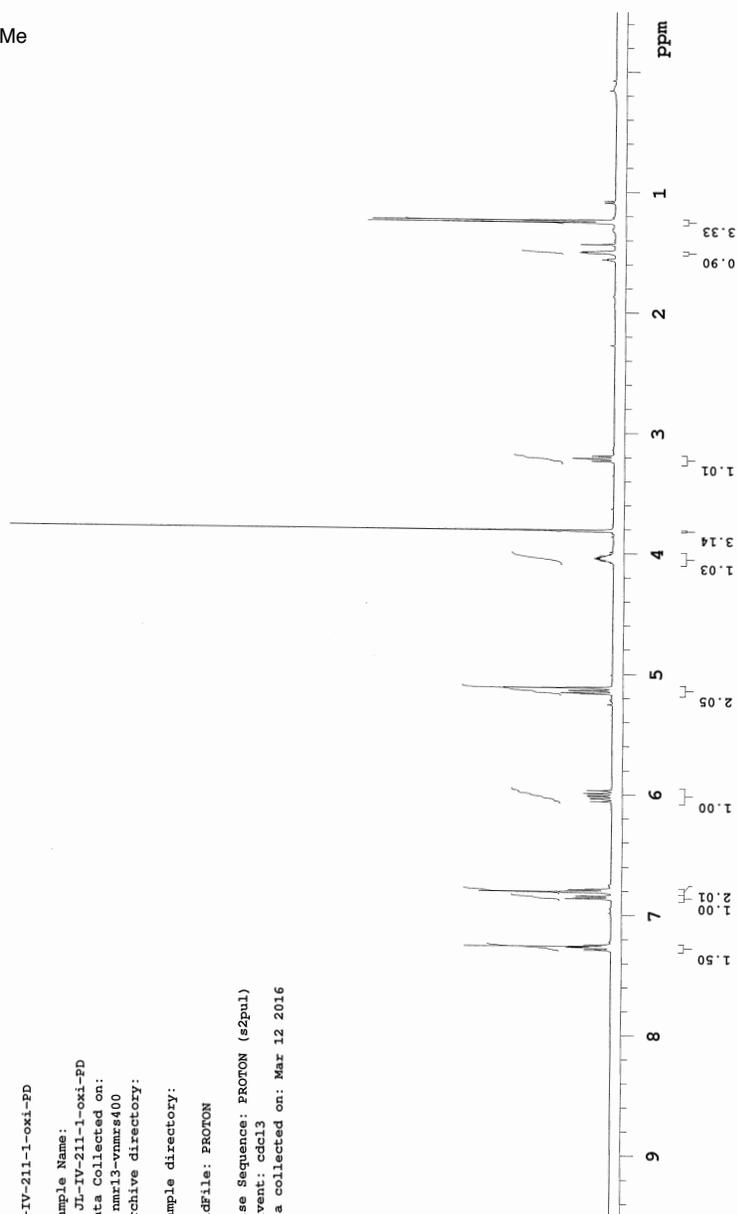
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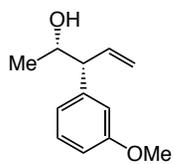
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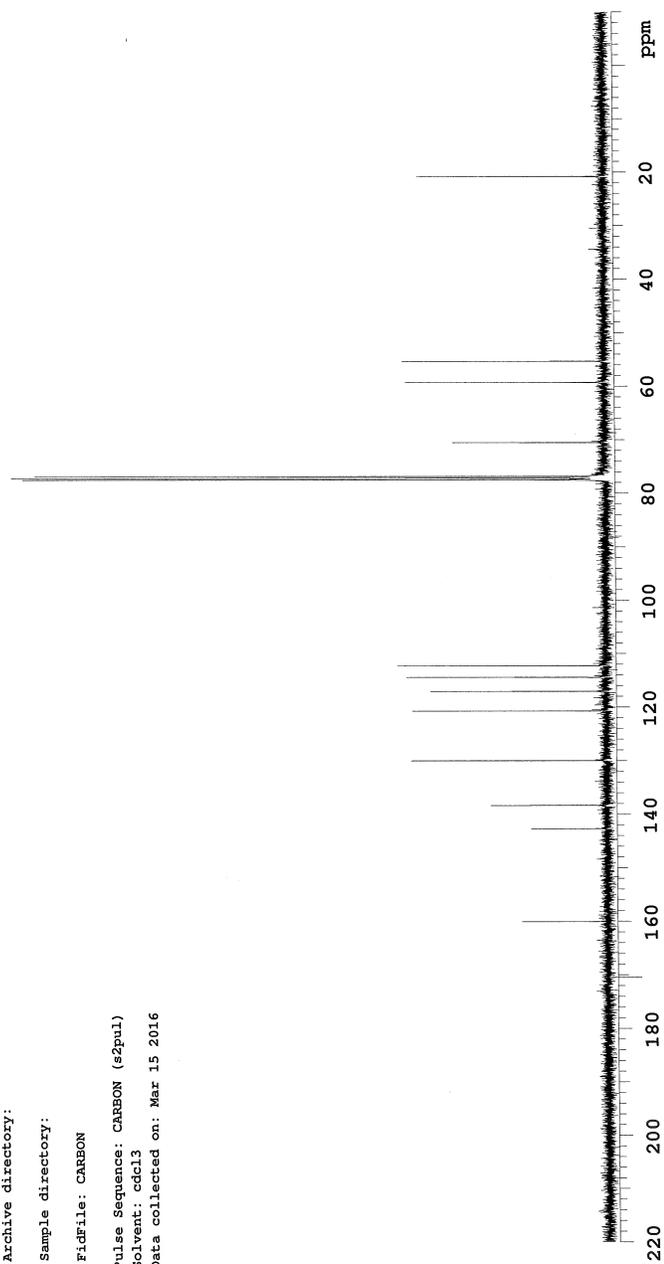
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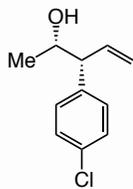
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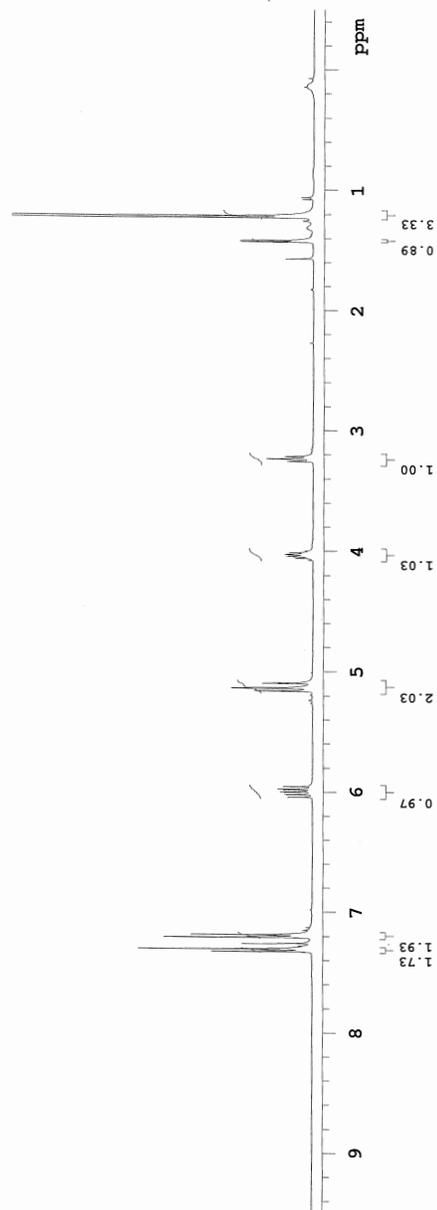
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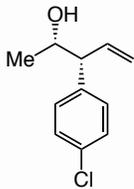
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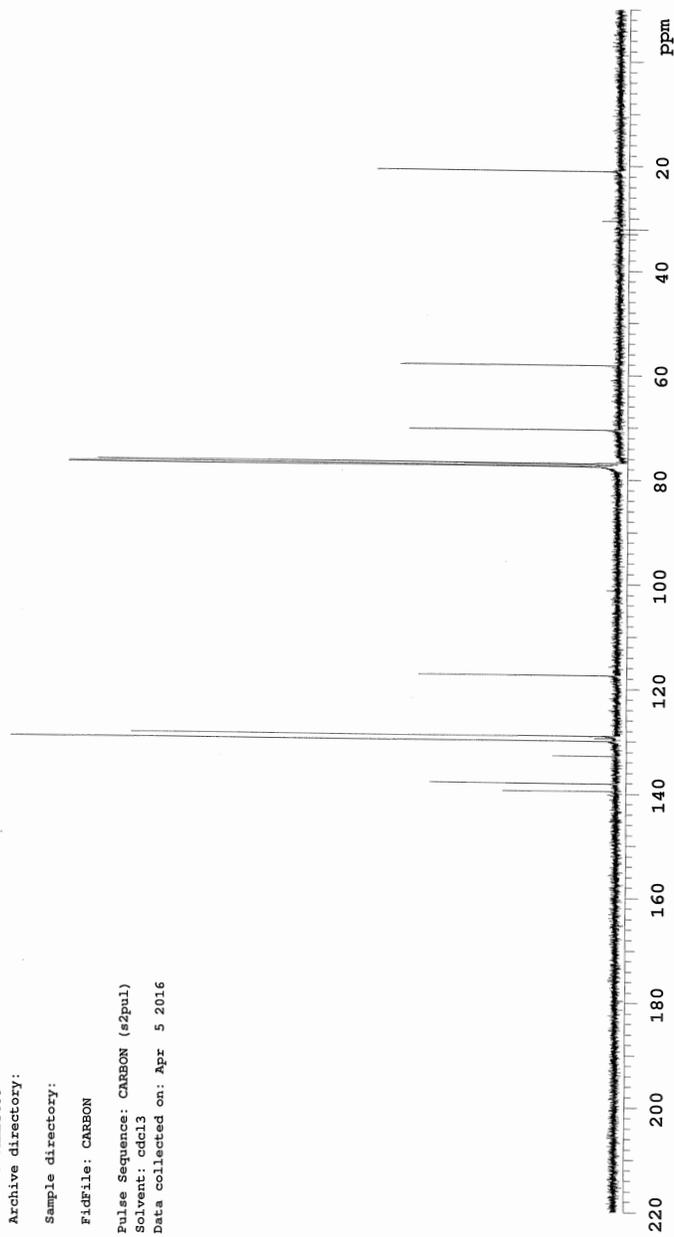
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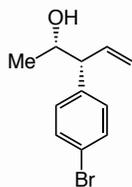
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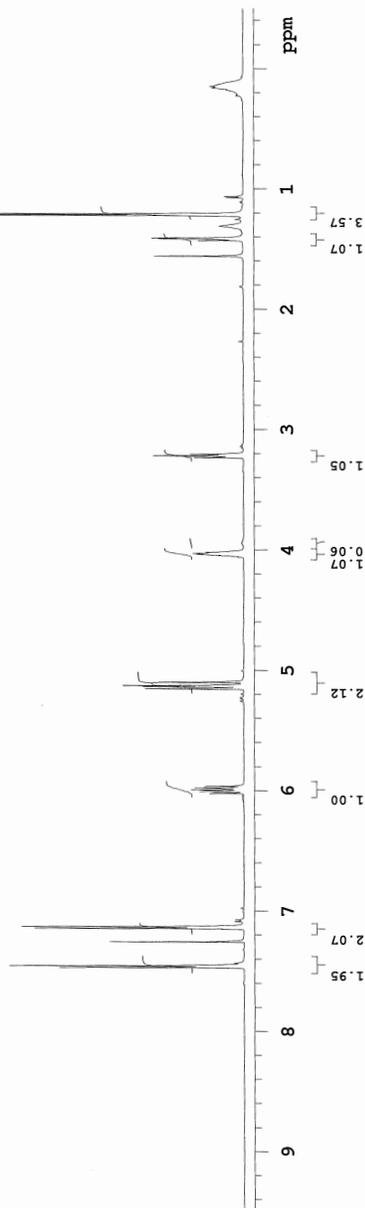
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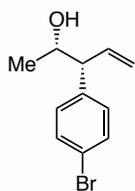
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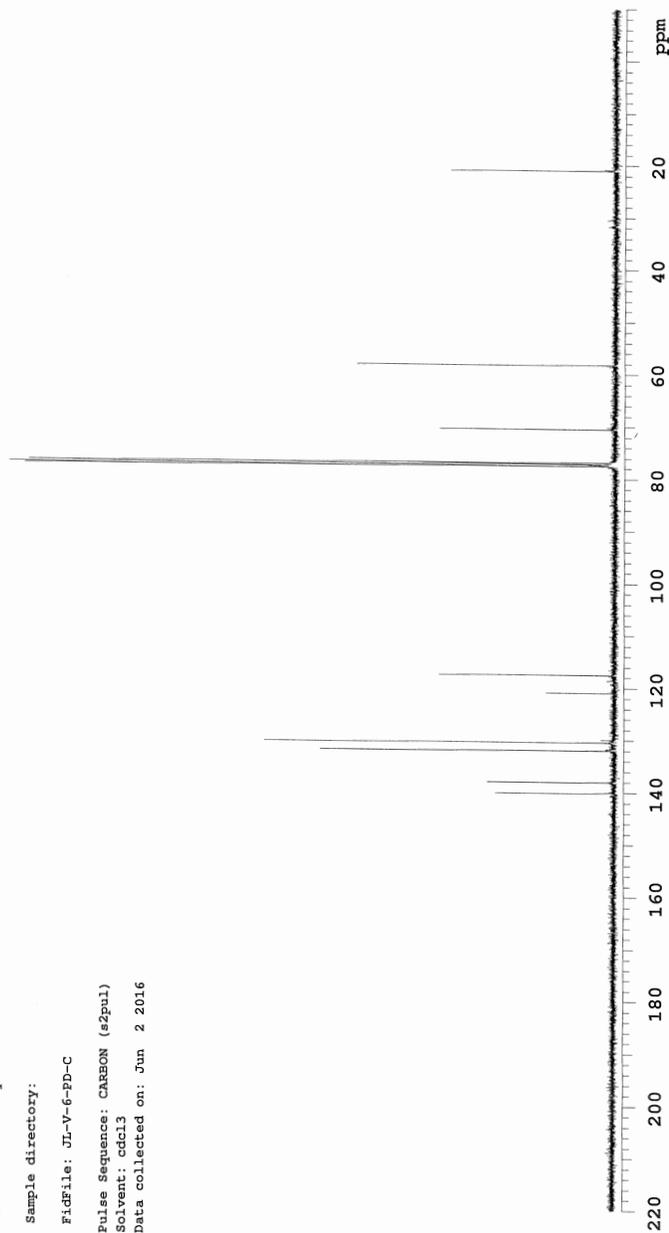
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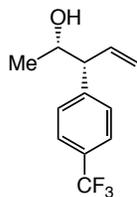
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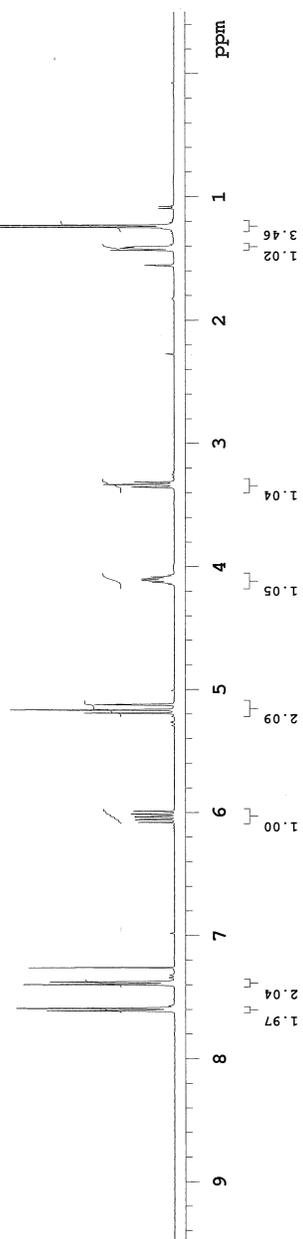
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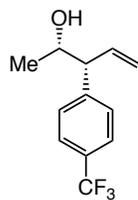
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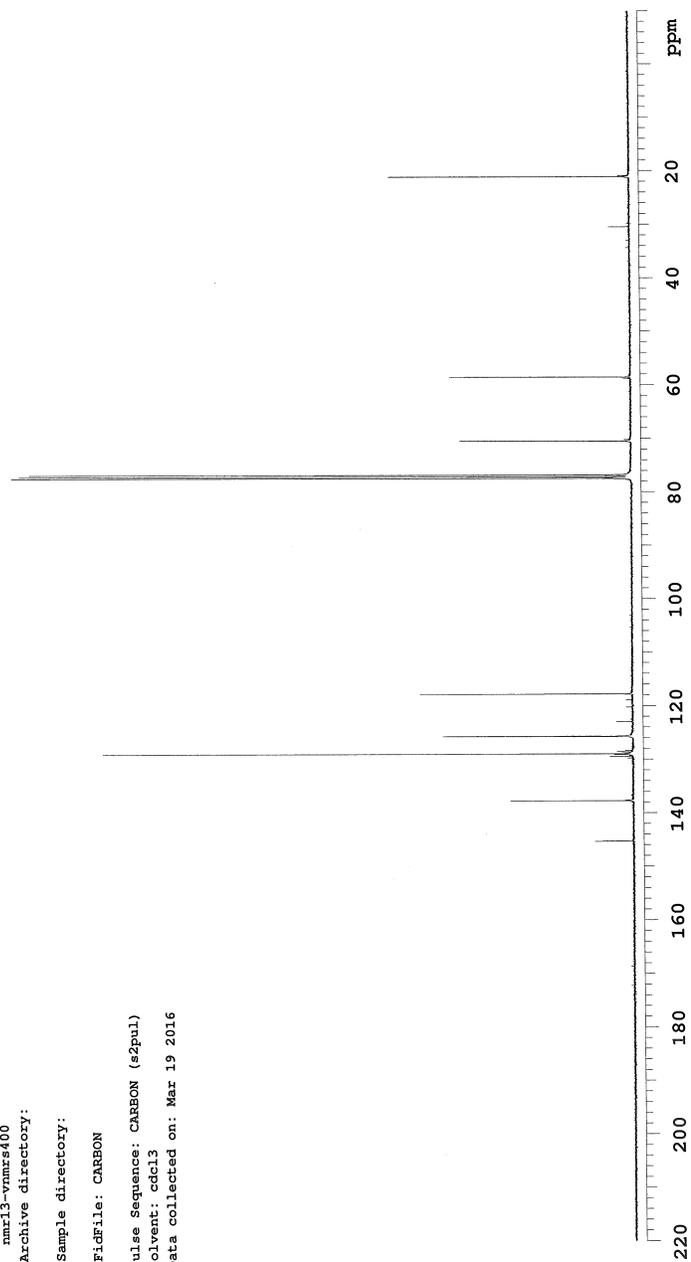
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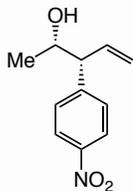




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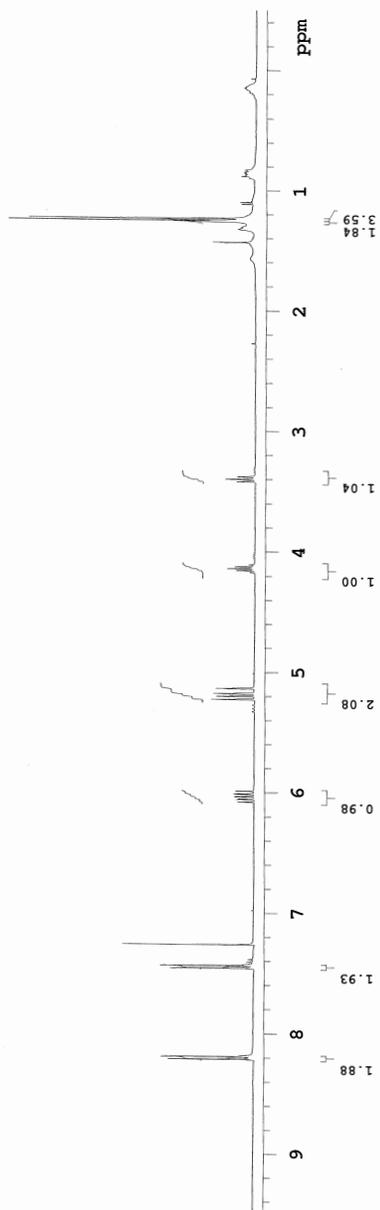
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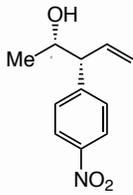
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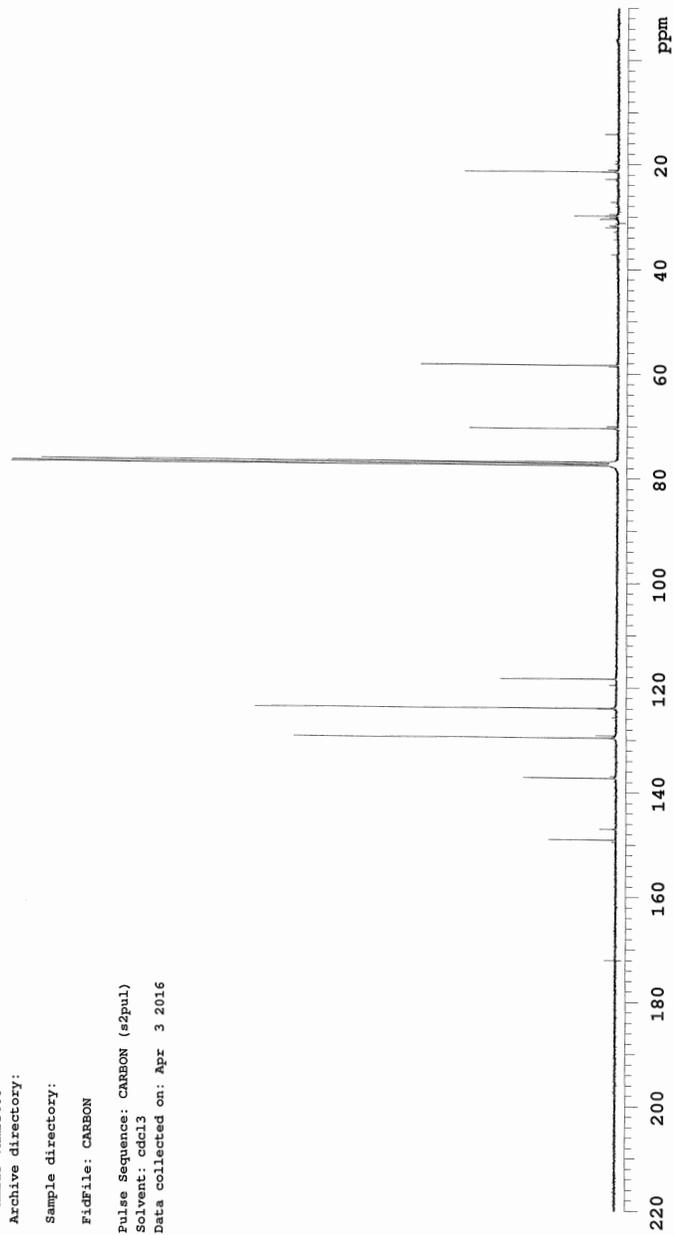
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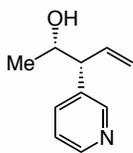
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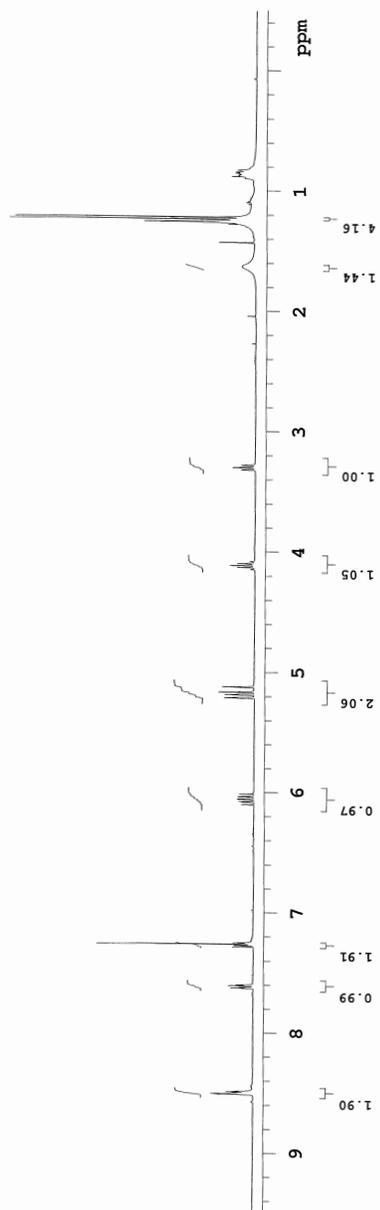
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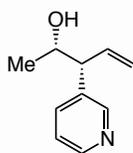
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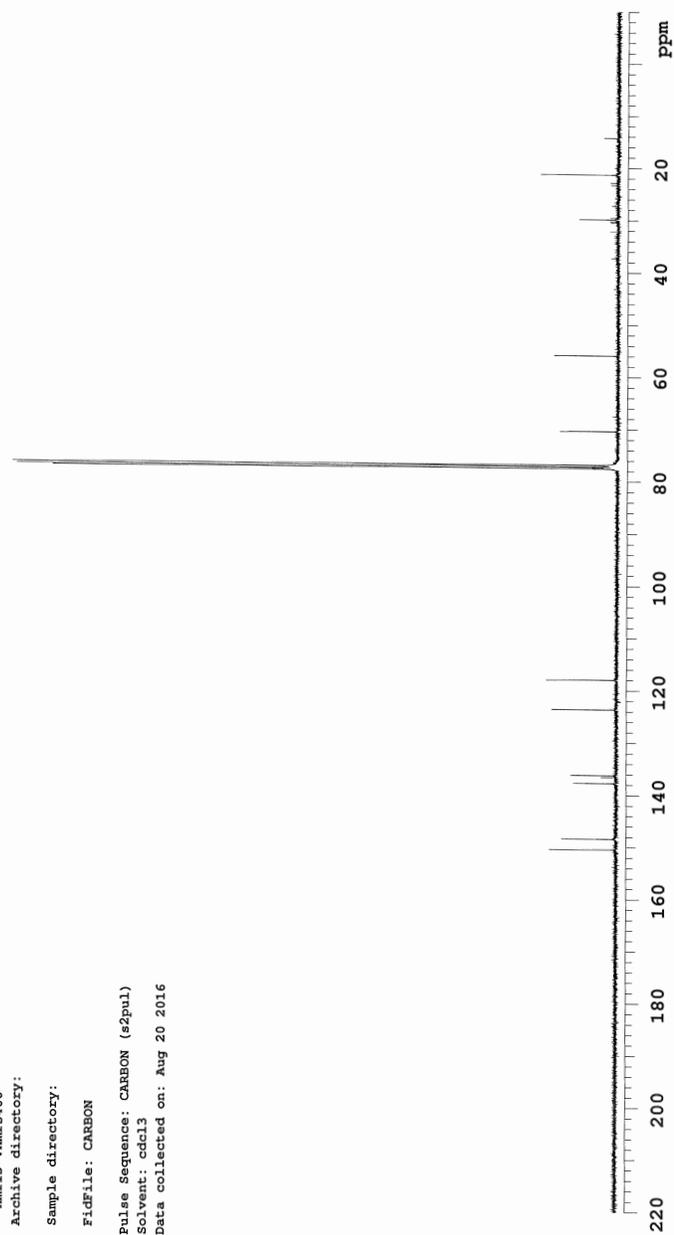
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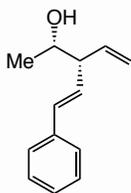
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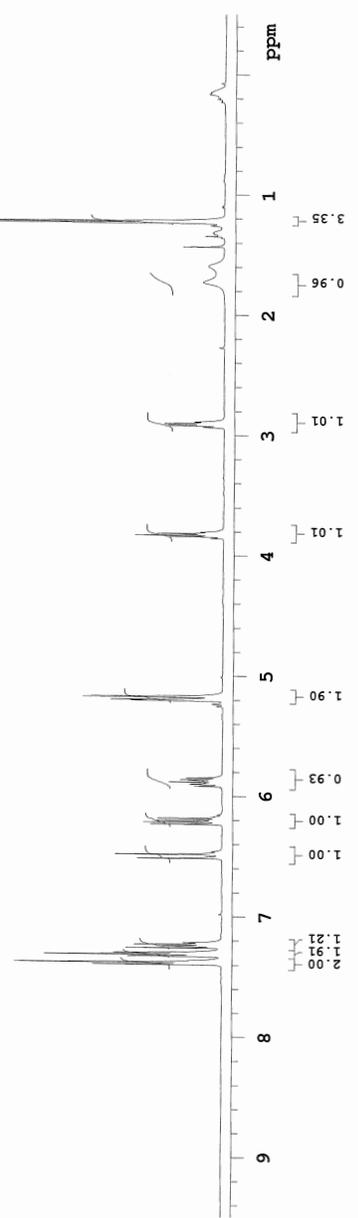
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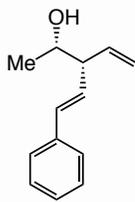
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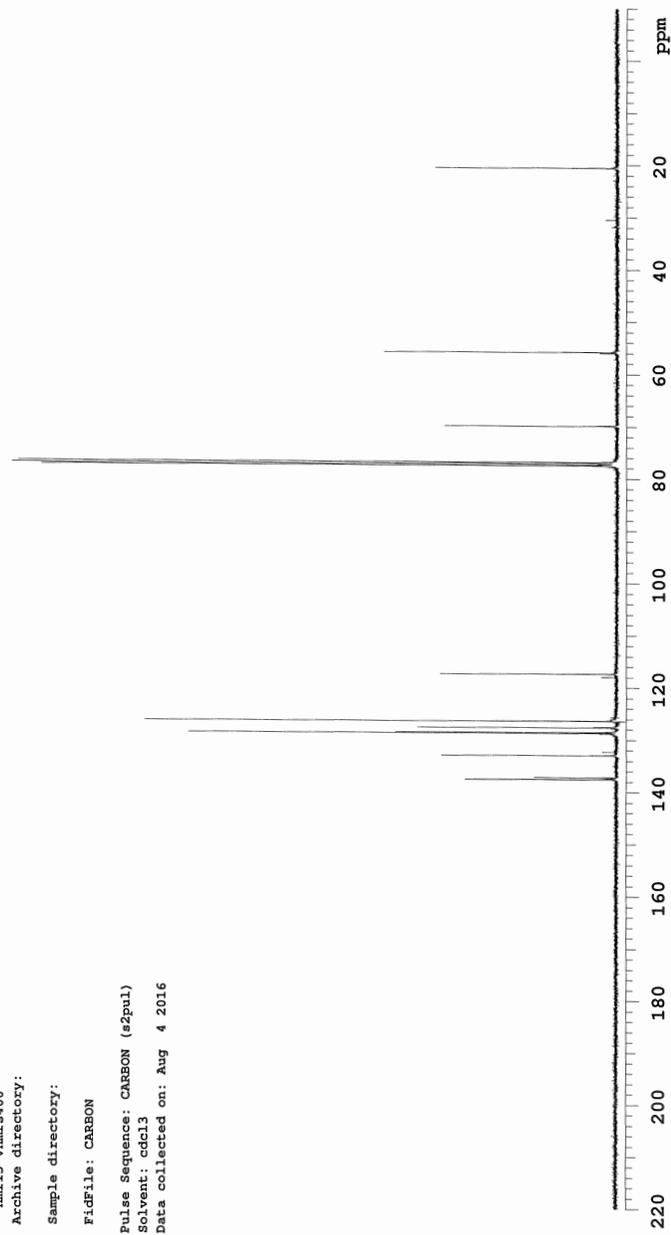
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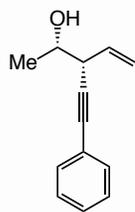
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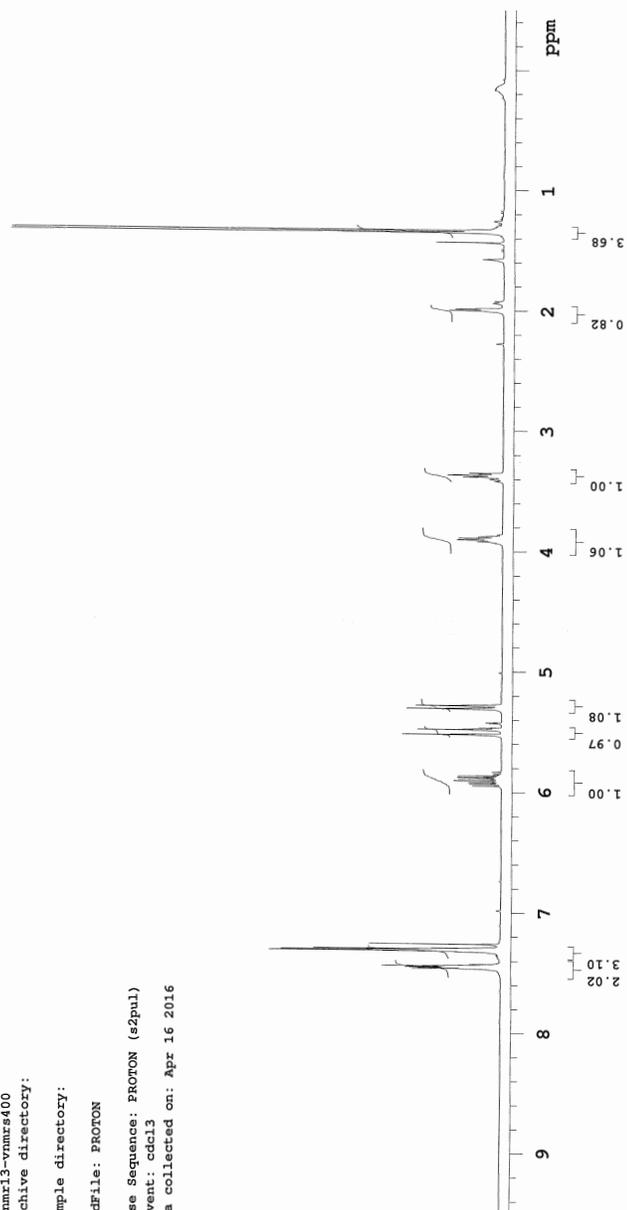
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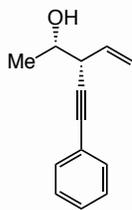
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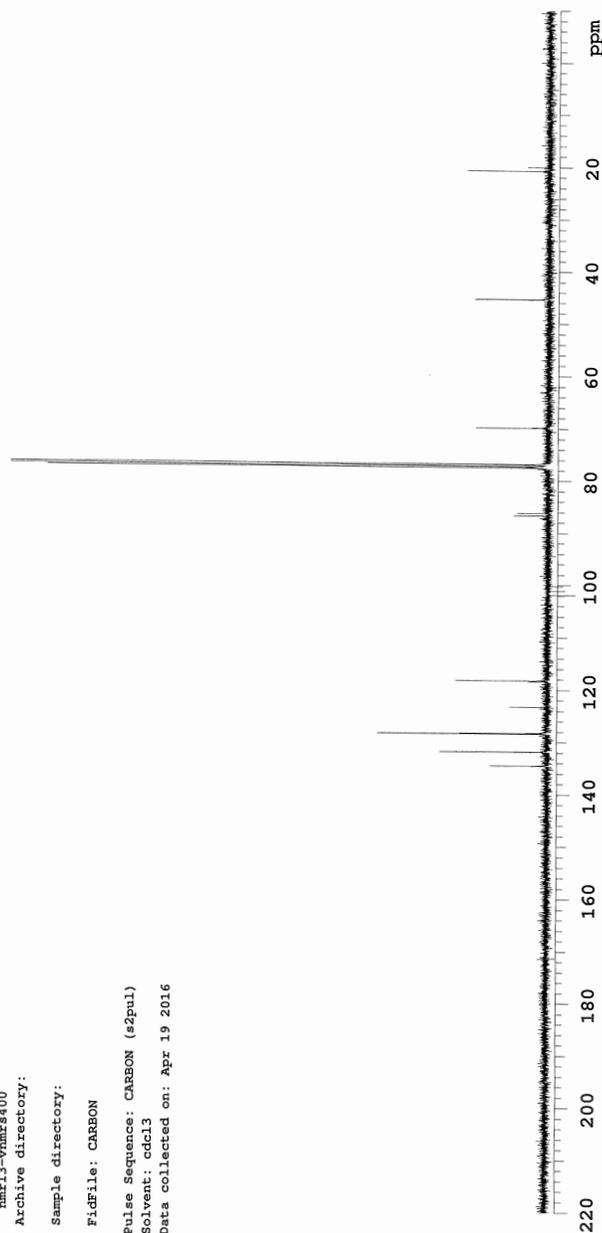
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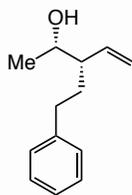
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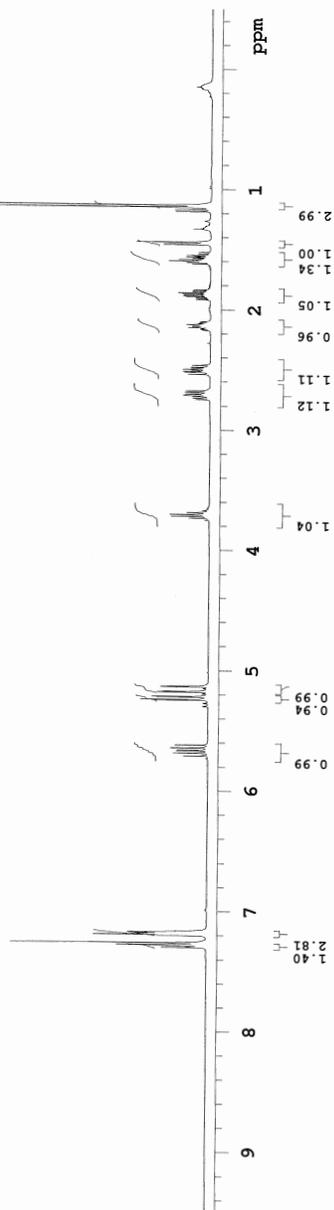
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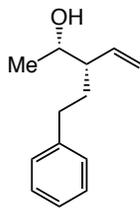
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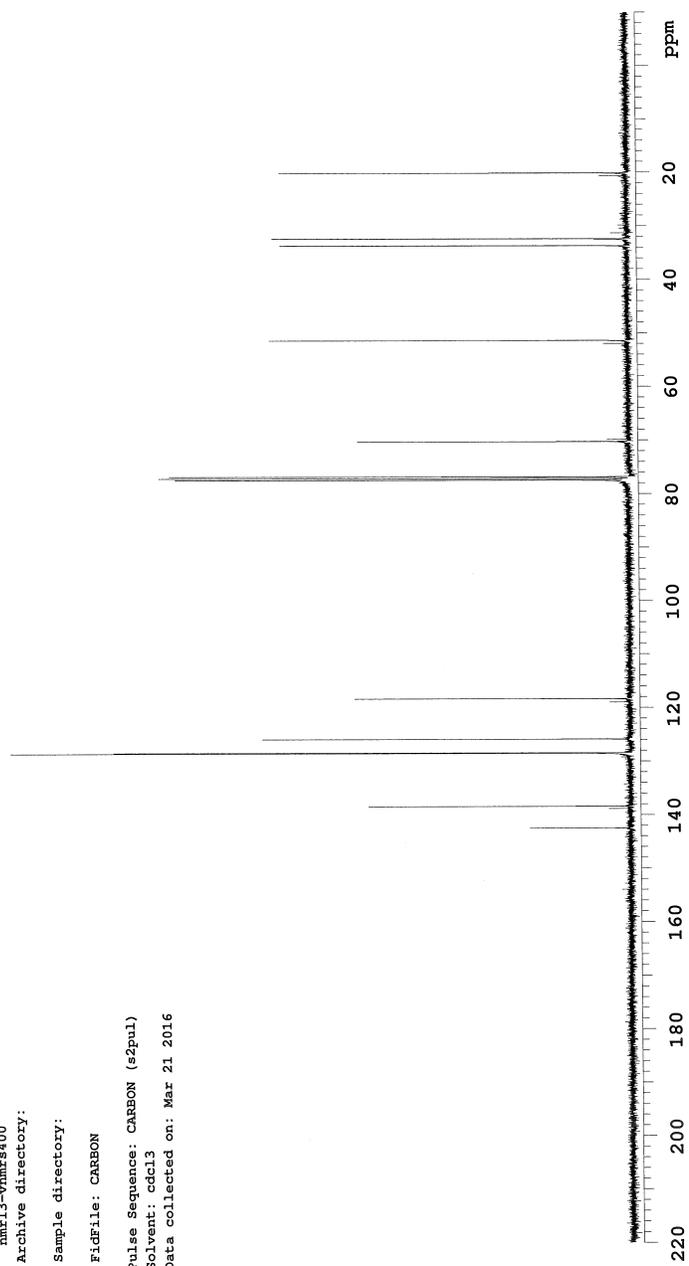
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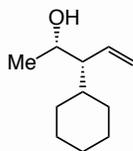
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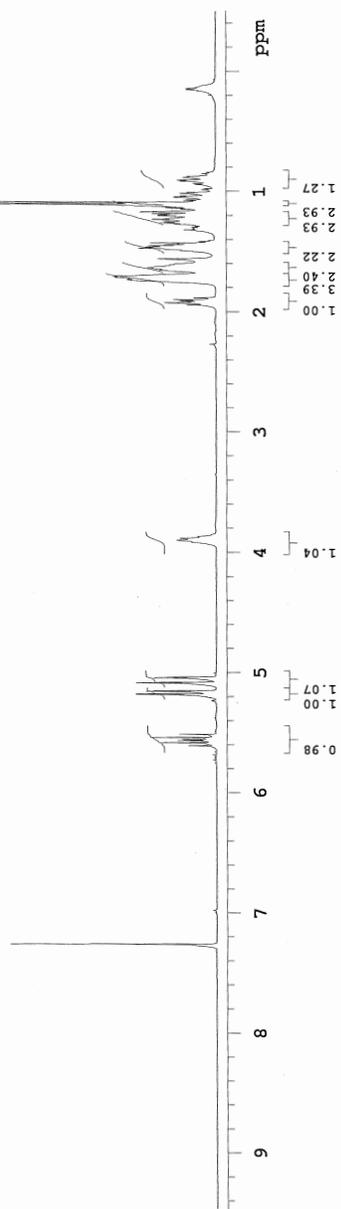
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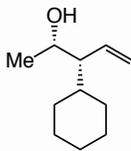
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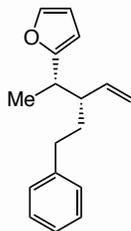
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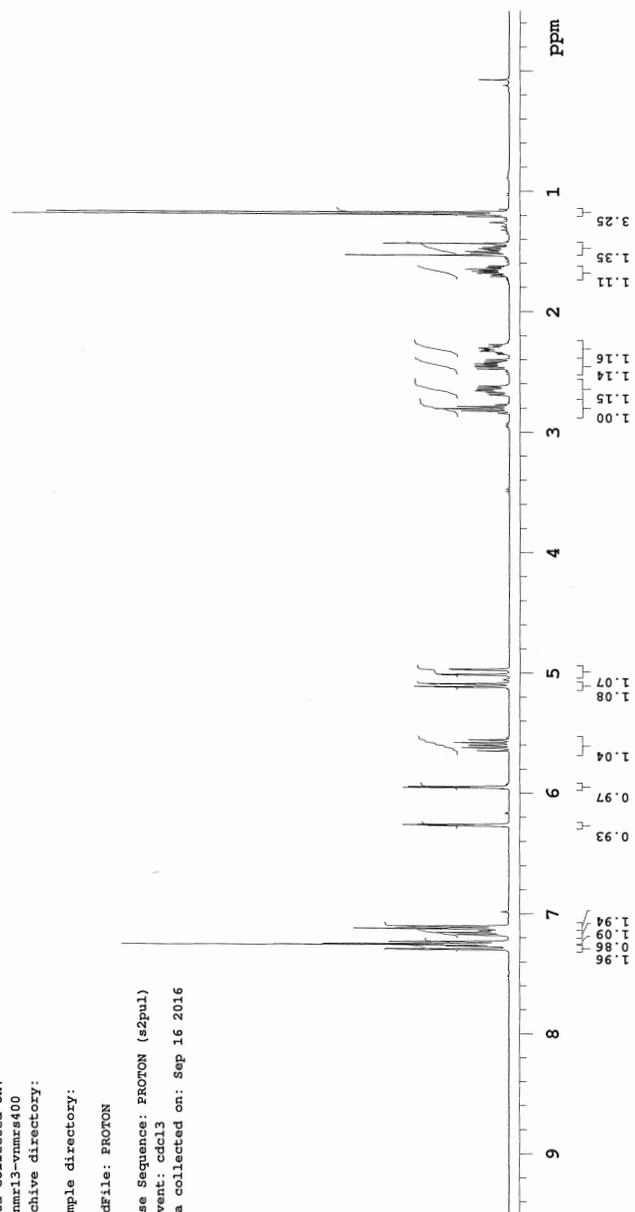
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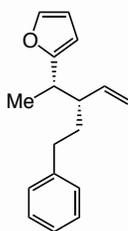
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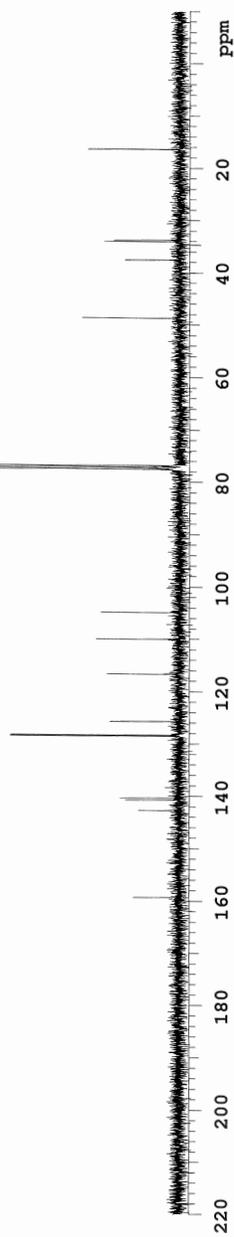
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CHAPTER 3

Enantioenriched Halogen-Substituted Alkenes through NHC–Cu-Catalyzed Borylation/Dehalogenation and Their Applications

3.1 Introduction

Because of their unique properties, mono- and difluoroalkenes have emerged as an important class of building blocks for fluorine-containing functional polymers¹ and biologically active molecules in medicine and agriculture.^{2,3} In this respect, fluoro- and other halo-alkenyl compounds are of great interest in chemical synthesis. However, reported methods to prepare enantioenriched difluoroalkenes are scarce and often require the use of precious transition metals and very high/low temperatures.³ To solve these challenges, we have developed a highly efficient, regio-, and enantioselective boron allylic substitution involving CF₃-alkenes and other halogen-substituted olefins by using an abundant copper-based catalyst under mild conditions.

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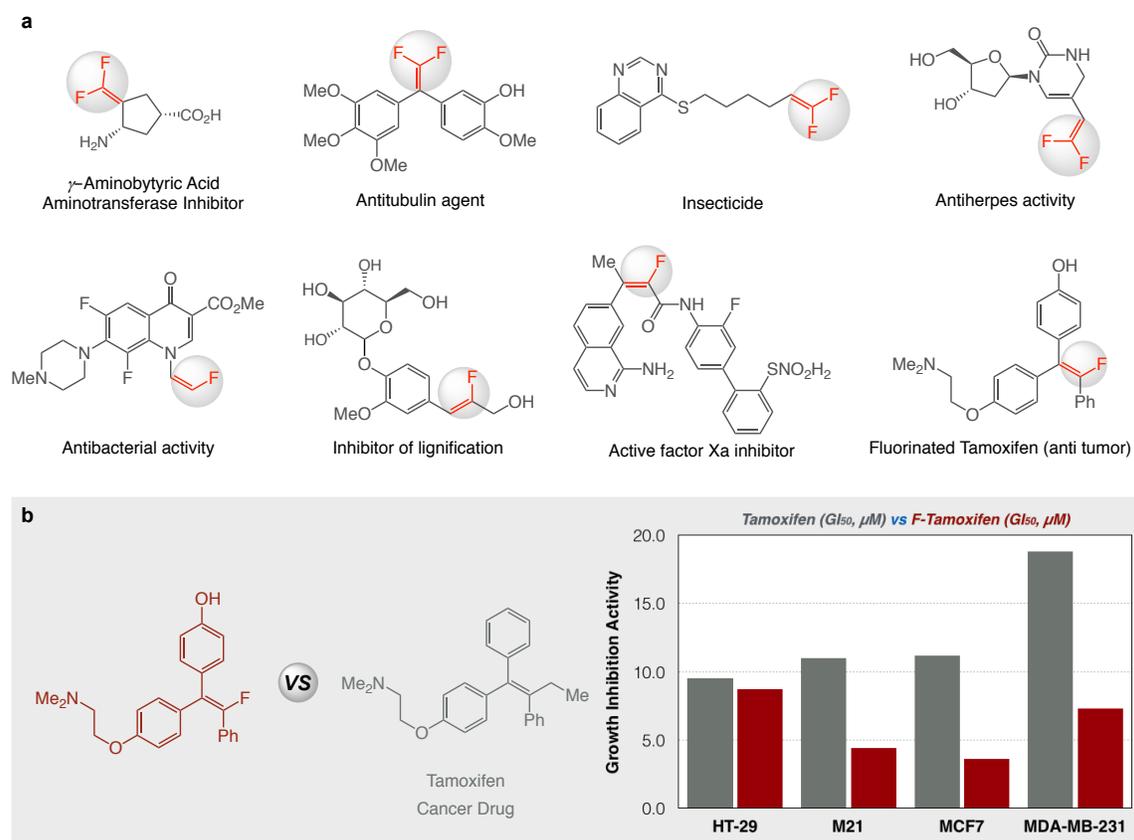
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3.2 Background

The application of 1,1-difluoroalkenes in the fields of fine chemicals, pharmaceuticals, pesticides, and materials science is very broad (Scheme 3.1a).⁴ These difluorinated synthetic analogues usually process enhanced biological activities.³ In addition, they are readily converted to various monofluoroalkenes and are widely used in medicine and organic chemistry (Scheme 3.1a and Scheme 3.1b).^{3,5} Traditionally,

Scheme 3.1. Bioactive Alkenyl Fluorides



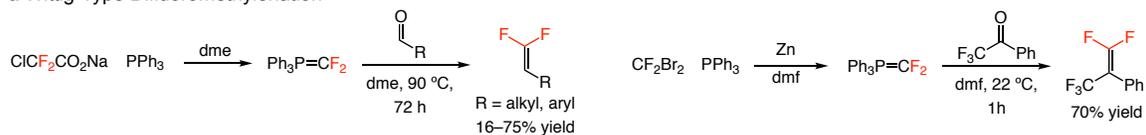
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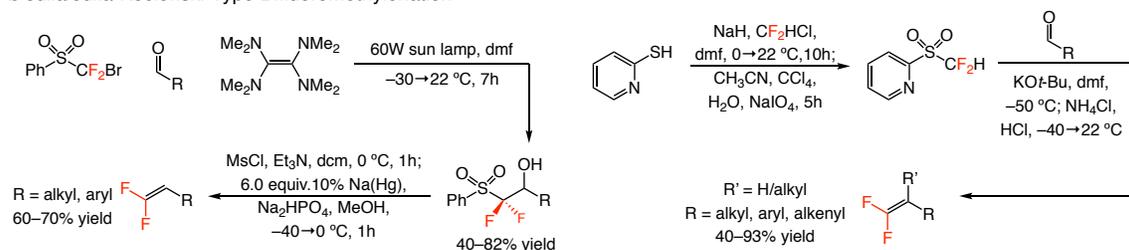
fluoroalkenes were generated through Wittig,⁶ Julia/Julia-Kocienski,⁷ or Honer-Wadsworth-Emmons type difluoromethylenation⁸ which suffered from a number of problems such as multi-step reagent synthesis, limited functional group tolerance and

Scheme 3.2. Classic Methods for Difluoromethylenation

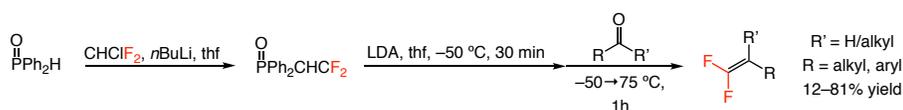
a Wittig-Type Difluoromethylenation



b Julia/Julia-Kocienski-Type Difluoromethylenation



c Honer-Wadsworth-Emmons-Type Difluoromethylenation



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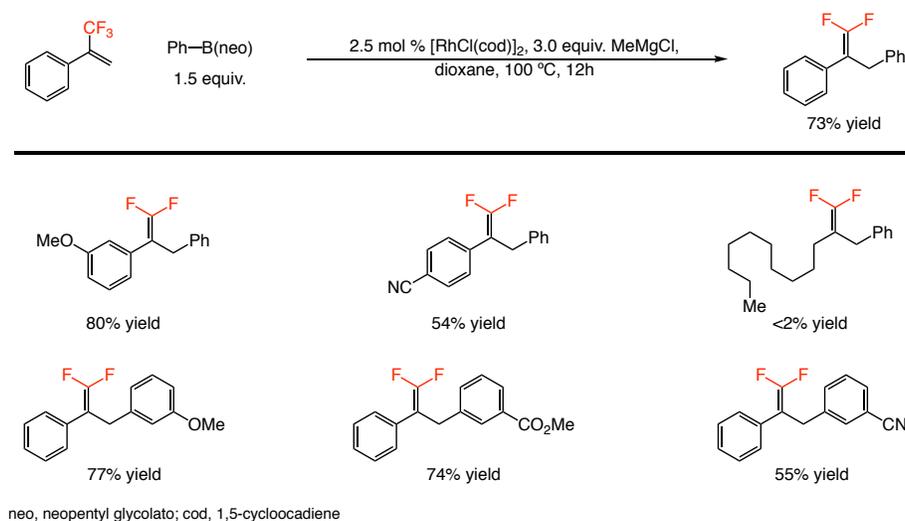
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harsh reaction conditions (Scheme 3.2). However, introducing a new stereogenic center using the aforementioned methods is not possible. The development of catalytic enantioselective transformation to generate di- and monofluoroalkenes is extreme difficult, and there is only one study of involving arylation/defluorination of CF₃-alkenes that deliver enantioenriched 1,1-difluoroalkenes. However, the method entails the use of precious rhodium-based catalyst and is limited to aryl group additions (see section 3.2.2 for further discussions).⁹

3.2.1 Catalytic S_N2' Nucleophilic Addition to Trifluoromethyl Alkenes

In addition to the traditional protocols mentioned above, there are several alternative routes to prepare geminal difluoroalkenes. However, only a few catalytic strategies have been developed with limitations such as poor functional group compatibility and high/low temperature requirement. The first case of catalytic S_N2' selective nucleophilic addition to CF₃-alkenes were developed by Murakami and co-workers in 2008.¹⁰ The reaction of trifluoromethyl alkenes with aryl-B(neo)

Scheme 3.3. Rhodium-Catalyzed Arylation/Defluorination of Trifluoromethyl Alkenes

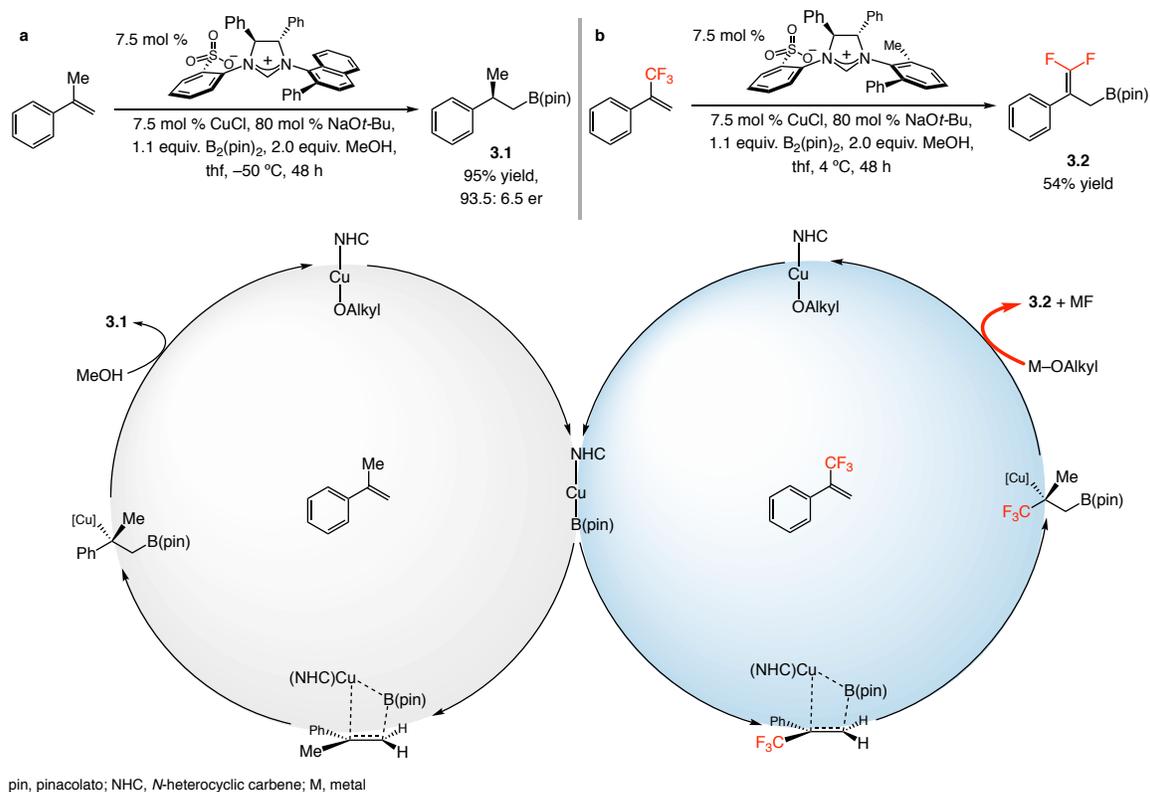


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(neo, neopentyl glycolato) in the presence of a rhodium-based catalyst and excess amounts of additive (e.g., 3.0 equiv. of MeMgCl) under 100 °C gave 1,1-difluoroalkenes in 54–80% yield although there was no reaction with alkyl substituted substrates (Scheme 3.3). In 2011, our group reported the first catalytic B(pin) allylic substitution with a CF₃-

Scheme 3.4. First Catalytic B(pin) Allylic Substitution with a CF₃-Alkene



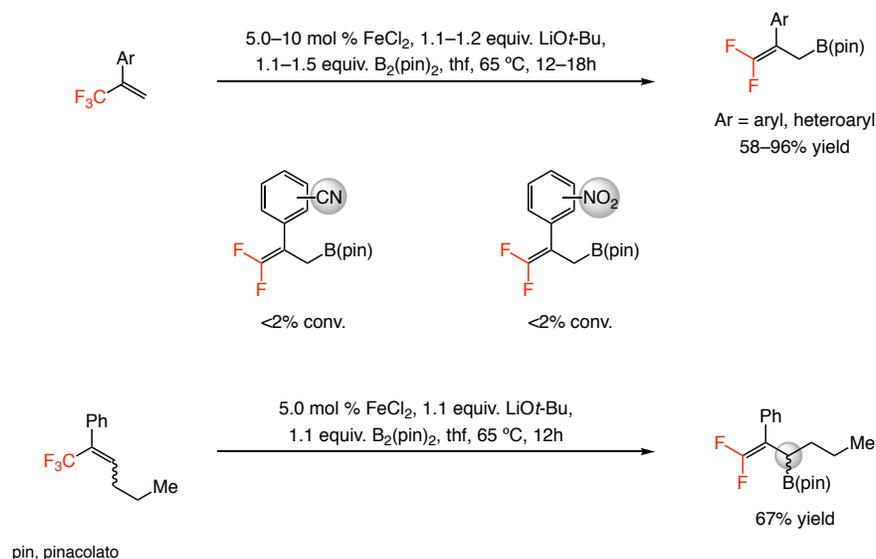
alkene (Scheme 3.4b) using a more abundant copper-based catalyst.¹¹ Under similar reaction conditions for enantioselective protoboration of 1,1-disubstituted aryl alkenes (Scheme 3.4a), the organocopper species generated from Cu–B(pin) addition to α -CF₃ styrene underwent metal fluoride elimination to form difluoroallylboronate compound **3.2** (Scheme 3.4b). Another example of catalytic boration/defluorination of trifluoromethyl alkenes was described recently.¹² Transformations were accomplished by 5.0–10 mol %

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of an iron-based catalyst and stoichiometric amounts of base at 65 °C with somewhat larger functional group tolerance. However, cyano- and nitro-substituents were

Scheme 3.5. Iron-Catalyzed Boraton/Defluorination of Trifluoromethyl Alkenes



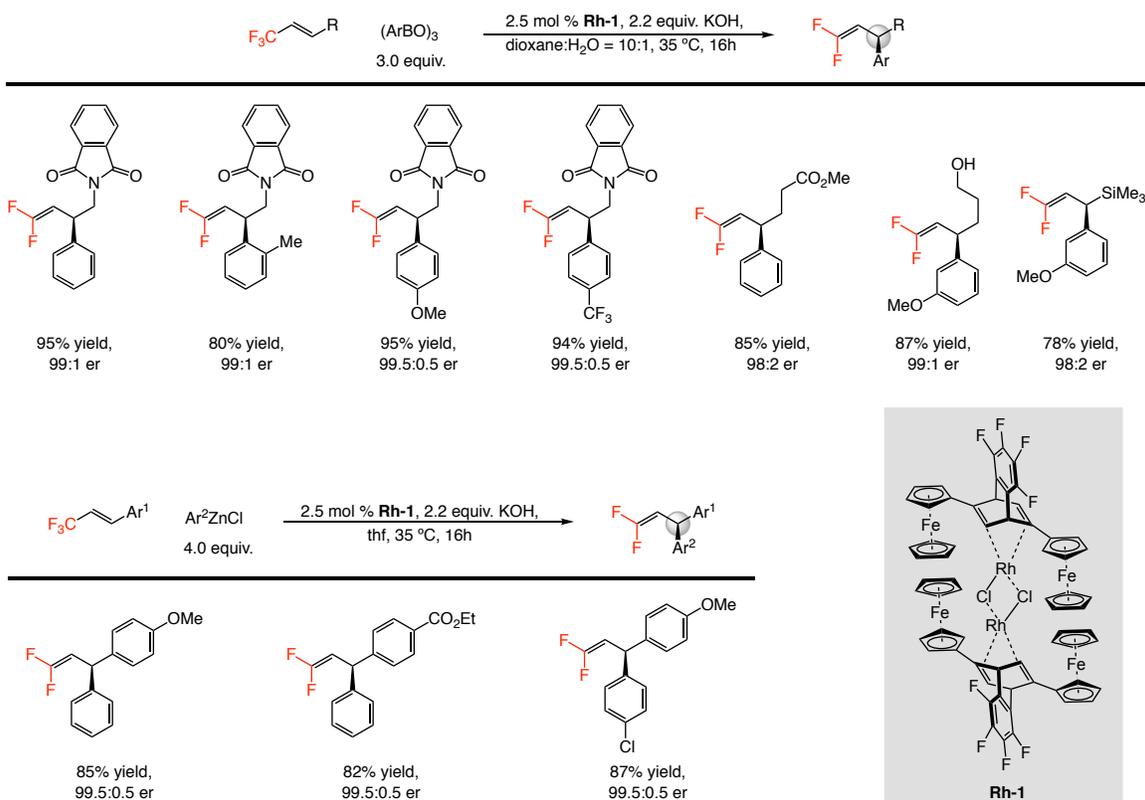
not compatible, and enantioselective allylic borylation still remains to be solved (Scheme 3.5).

3.2.2 Catalytic Enantioselective S_N2' Nucleophilic Addition to Trifluoromethyl Alkenes

The first catalytic enantioselective protocol where 1-(trifluoromethyl) alkenes were converted to enantiopure 1,1-difluoroalkenes was developed by Hayashi and Huang.⁹ High efficiency and enantioselectivities were obtained (up to 99.5:0.5 er) in the presence of a chiral diene-rhodium catalyst **Rh-1** (Scheme 3.6). Although elaborate starting materials can be used to form the desired products in excellent yields and selectivities (Scheme 3.6), the method is restricted to aryl group additions to CF₃-alkenes which can limit further product functionalizations compared to boryl allylic substitution (Scheme 3.4 and Scheme 3.5). Moreover, excess amounts of nucleophilic reagent is

required [e.g., 3.0 equivalents of $(\text{ArBO})_3$ or 4.0 equivalents of ArZnCl , Scheme 3.6] for high efficiency.

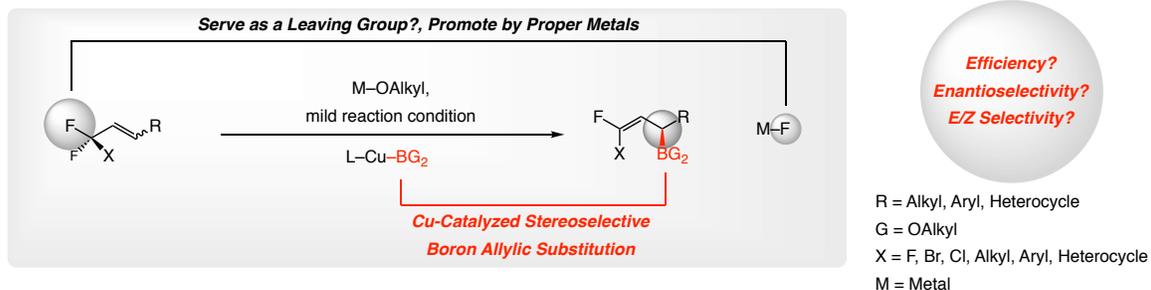
Scheme 3.6. Enantioselective Rhodium-Catalyzed Arylation/Defluorination of Trifluoromethyl Alkenes



3.2.3 Reaction Design and Utility of Enantioenriched 1,1-Difluoroallyl Boronates

The blueprint of the reaction is generation of a boron-substituted stereogenic carboncenter through highly enantio-, *E/Z*-, and $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$ selective boryl allylic substitution

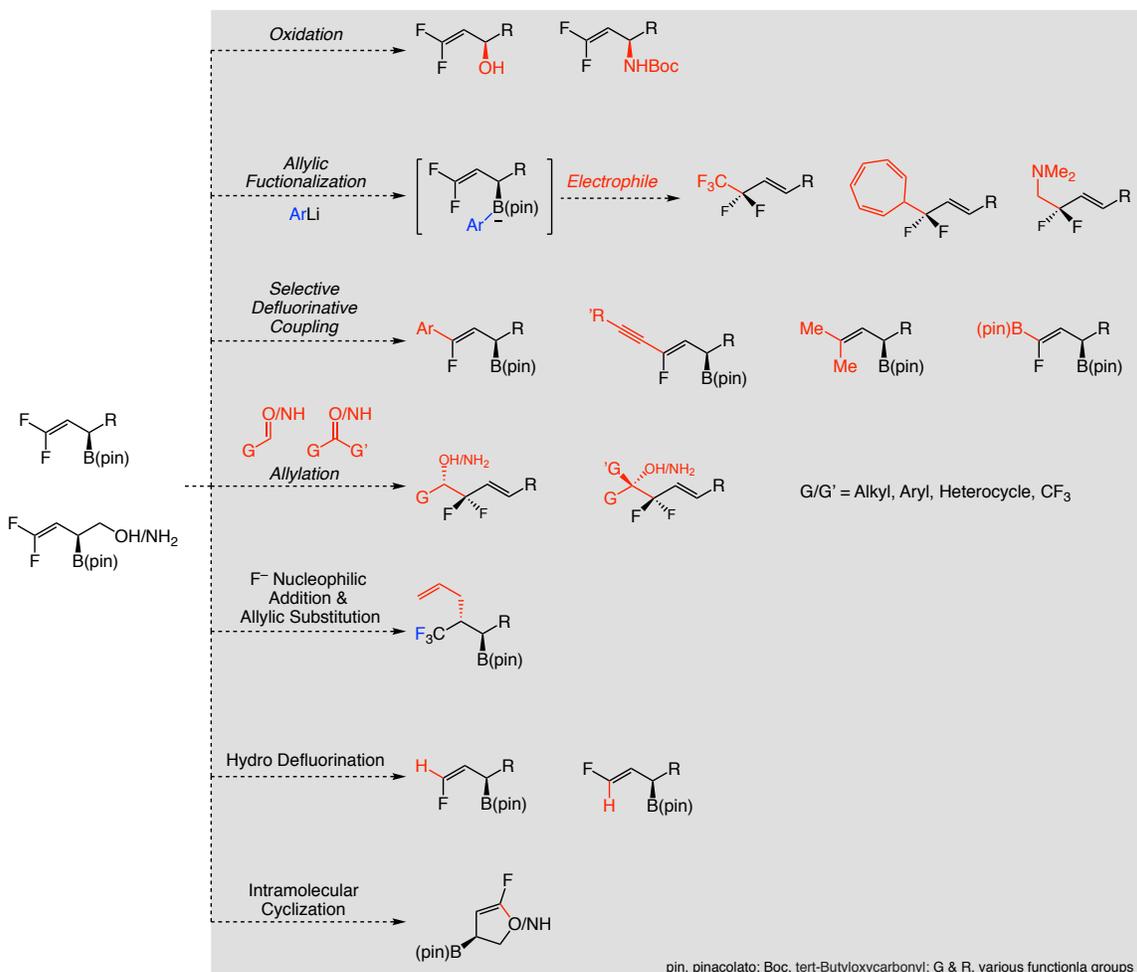
Scheme 3.7. Design of Reactions that Afford Enantiopure Fluorinated Allylboronates



with an abundant and inexpensive copper-based catalyst (Scheme 3.7). Desired products

are particularly interesting because of their unique versatility; they can be converted to a

Scheme 3.8. Possible Functionalizations of Chiral 1,1-Difluoroallyl Boronates



wide variety of desirable molecules through different transformations such as oxidation,¹³ allylic functionalization,¹⁴ selective defluorinative coupling,^{9, 15} alkylation,¹⁶ multi-

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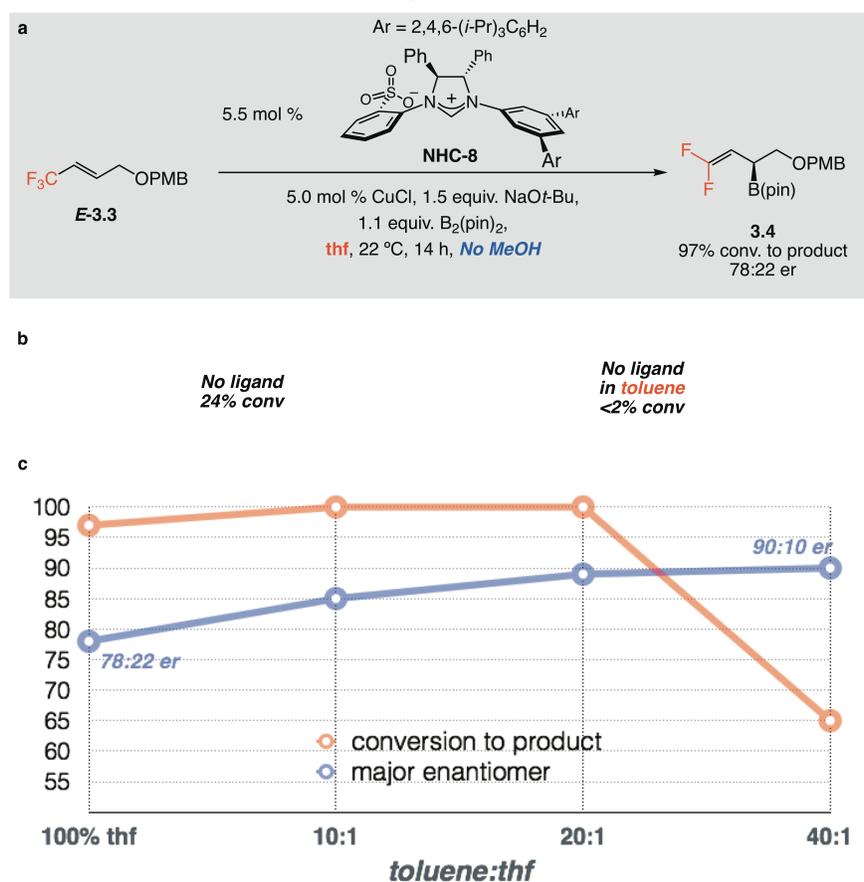
component reaction,¹⁷ hydro defluorination,¹⁸ and intramolecular cyclization¹⁹ (Scheme 3.8).

3.3 Catalytic Enantioselective Borylation/Dehalogenation with NHC–Cu–Catalyst

3.3.1 Background Reactivity and Optimal Base

The previously disclosed Cu-catalyzed boryl allylic substitution employed excess amount of methanol (2.0 equivalent of MeOH, Scheme 3.4). However, it was found that

Scheme 3.9. Preliminary Result and Background Reactivity^a



^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details. ND, not determined; NA, not applicable; pin, pinacolato; PMB, 4-methoxybenzyl ether.

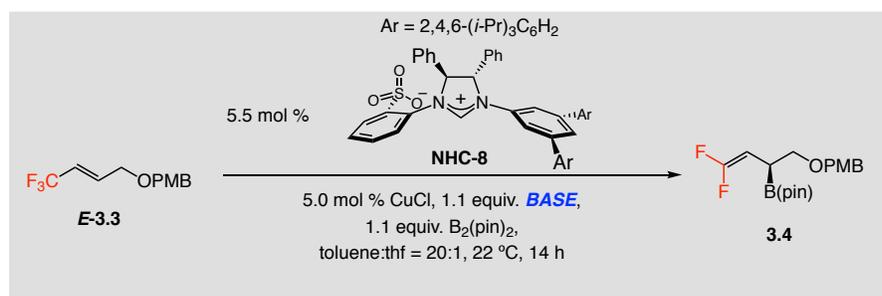
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the proton source (MeOH) was not required in the catalytic transformation to generate allylic boronate **3.4**, and low temperature/prolonged reaction time (e.g., 4 °C, 48 h, Scheme 3.4) were not necessary (scheme 3.9a). Through a systematic solvent study, we discovered that unbound copper–boron complex can also deliver racemic **3.4** in 100% thf, but there was no background reactivity in 100% toluene (Scheme 3.9b). Indeed, increasing the ratio of toluene:thf led to higher enantioselectivity (up to 90:10 er, Scheme 3.9c), but thf was still needed to dissolve the ligand and form the requisite NHC–Cu alkoxide species (100% toluene gave only 10% conversion to desired product). The

Table 3.1. Base Screening^a



Entry	Base	Conv. (%)§	Yield (%)§§	er †
1	NaOMe	66	62	60:40
2	KOMe	68	50	52:48
3	LiO <i>t</i> -Bu	>98	82	95:5
4	NaO <i>t</i> -Bu	>98	80	89:11
5	KO <i>t</i> -Bu	>98	Complex Mixtures	ND
6	NaOPh	<2	NA	NA
7	Mg(O <i>t</i> -Bu) ₂	<2	NA	NA

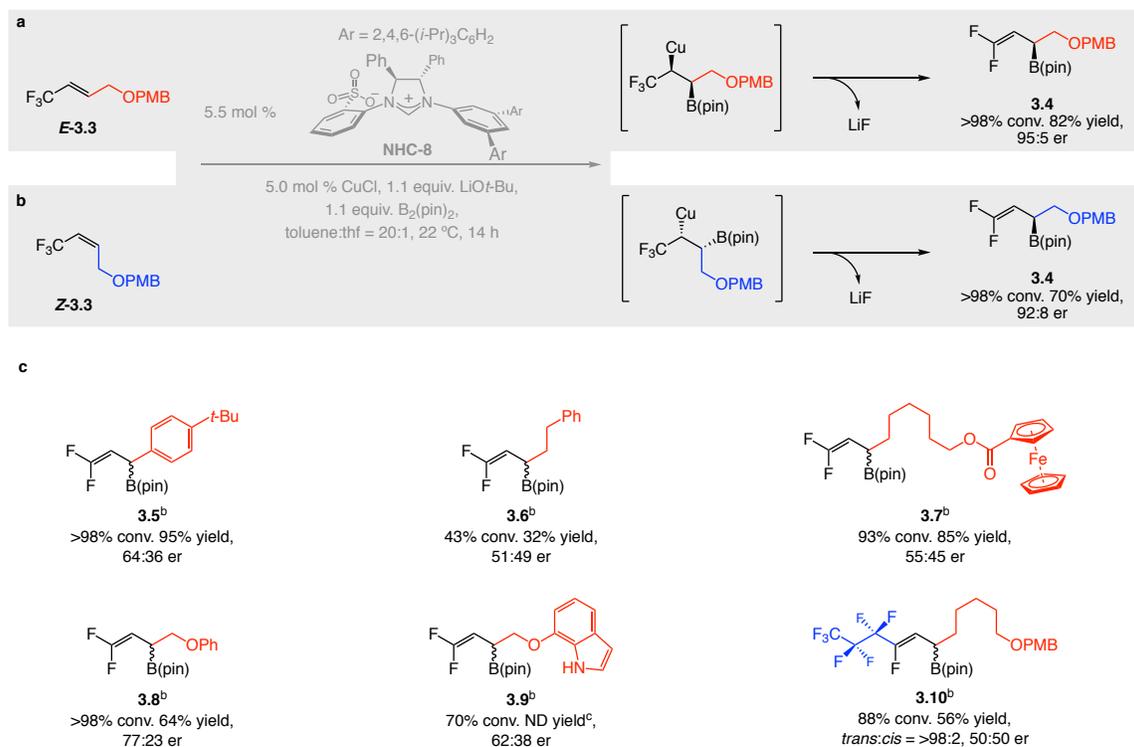
^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. § Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. §§ Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. † Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details. ND, not determined; NA, not applicable; pin, pinacolato; PMB, 4-methoxybenzyl ether.

nature of cation is crucial to accelerate the desired reaction pathway through metal–fluoride elimination. High enantioselectivity and efficiency were obtained with LiO*t*-Bu as base (entry 3, Table 3.1) which presumably could facilitate fluoride elimination after Cu–B(pin) addition to alkene (Scheme 3.4b). Metal bases containing other cations such as sodium, potassium, or magnesium gave poor selectivity and/or efficiency.

3.3.2 Limited Substrate Scope with NHC-8

The same major enantiomer was obtained through NHC–Cu–B(pin) addition to *Z*-**3.3** indicates that the Cu–B(pin) complex reacted from the opposite face of the olefin when the *Z*-alkene was used (vs *E*-**3.3**, Scheme 3.10a). While high enantioselectivities were obtained using allylic PMB ether **3.3**, poor enantioselectivities were observed with aryl- and alkyl-substituted CF₃-olefins (64:36 er for **3.5** and 51:49 er for **3.6**, Scheme

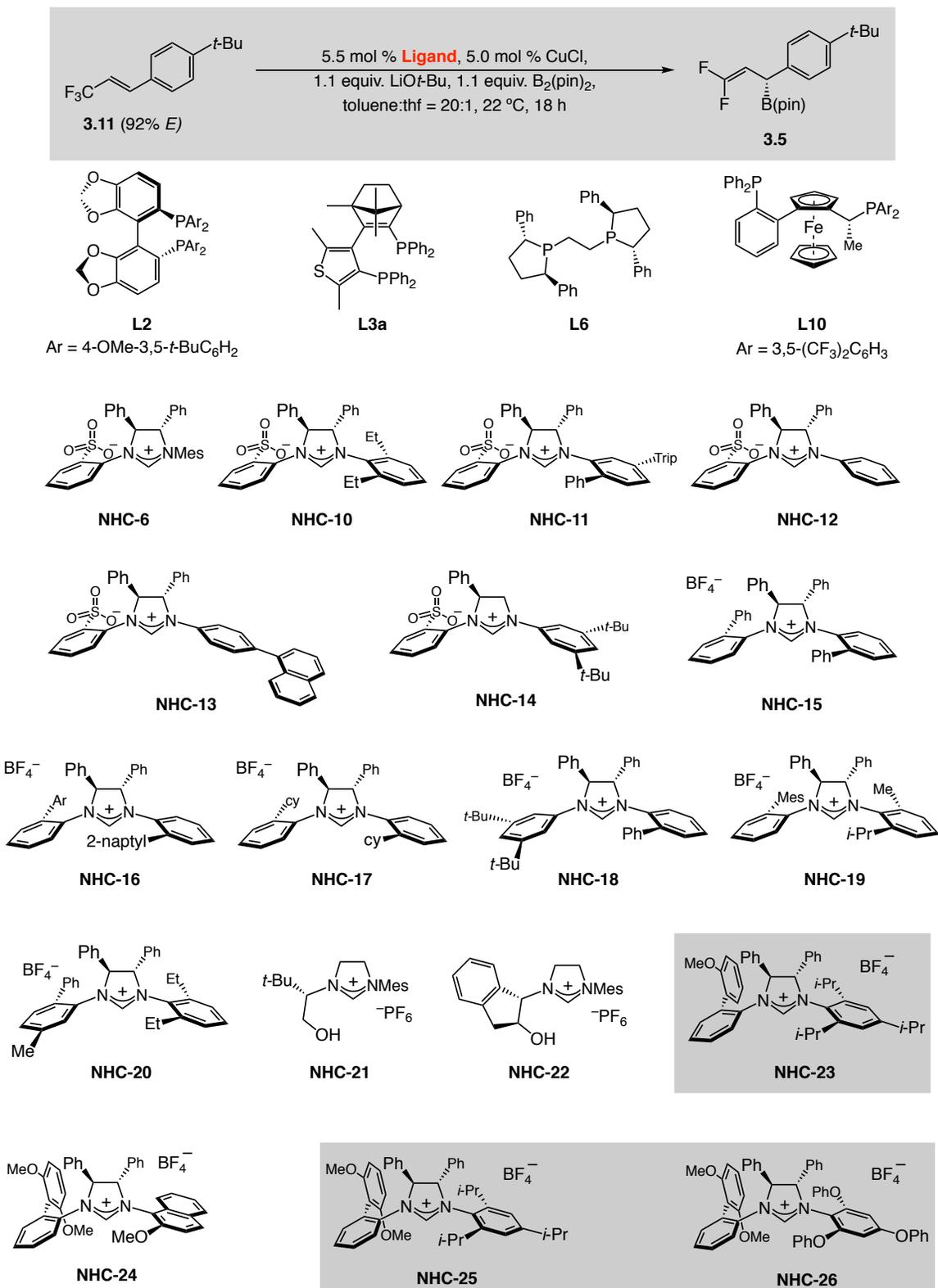
Scheme 3.10. Substrate Scope^a



^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. ^b the reaction was run for 18 h. ^c the product was inseparable from starting material. See the Experimental section for details. ND, not determined; pin, pinacolato; PMB, 4-methoxybenzyl ether.

3.10). Carboxylic esters could be tolerated, but the same trend of stereoselectivity was found as in the aryl and alkyl cases (55:45 er for **3.7**, Scheme 3.10). Interestingly, when the PMB protecting group was replaced with other aryl substituents, selectivity was significantly diminished (**3.8** and **3.9**, Scheme 3.10). Synthesis of **3.10** demonstrated that the methods is applicable to other class of perfluoroalkyl olefins (other than CF₃-alkenes).

3.3.3 Identification of an Effective and Broadly Applicable Catalyst

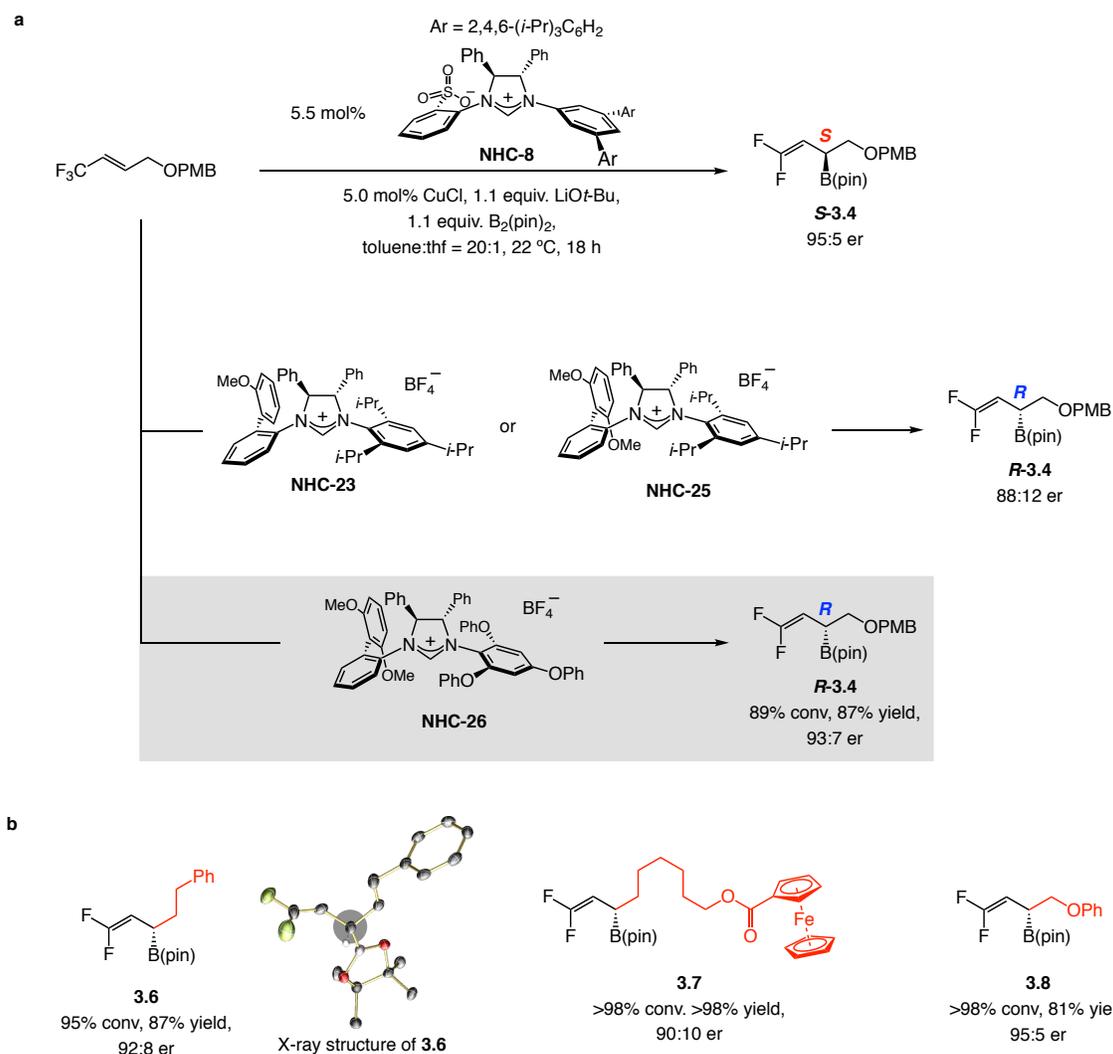
Table 3.2. Examination of Different Types of Cu Complexes^a

Entry	Ligand	Conv. (%)§	Yield (%)§§	ert†
1	L2	<2	NA	NA
2	L3a	<2	NA	NA
3	L6	23	ND	56:44
4	L10	<2	NA	NA
5	NHC-6	93	93	73:27
6	NHC-10	95	54	79:21
7	NHC-11	83	27	40:60
8	NHC-12	>98	71	75:25
9	NHC-13	>98	63	77:23
10	NHC-14	95	93	74:26
11	NHC-15	68	64	68:32
12	NHC-16	64	63	70:30
13	NHC-17	49	43	57:43
14	NHC-18	98	98	68:32
15	NHC-19	>98	98	88:12
16	NHC-20	>98	88	85:12
17	NHC-21	61	60	32:68
18	NHC-22	>98	>98	51:48
19	NHC-23	85	84	92:8
20	NHC-24	80	75	81:19
21	NHC-25	>98	90	92:8
22	NHC-26	>98	98	92:8

a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. § Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. §§ Yield of isolated and purified product; the variance of values is estimated to be <±5%. † Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details. NA, not applicable; ND, not determined; Mes, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl; pin, pinacolato; Trip, 2,4,6-(*i*-Pr)₃C₆H₂.

In the search for a broadly applicable catalyst, different copper-based complexes were examined under the optimized conditions with aryl CF₃-alkene substrate **3.11** to afford **3.5** (Table 3.2). Commercially available phosphine ligands were found to be ineffective (e.g., entries 1–4, Table 3.2) although they gave high efficiency and selectivity for other class of transformations involving Cu–X (X = boron or hydride) additions to alkenes.²⁰ Particularly high enantioselectivities were obtained with ligand

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Scheme 3.11. NHC-26 as the Optimal Ligand for Enantioselective Allylic Borylation of CF₃-Alkenes^a

^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be <±2%. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be <±1%. See the Experimental section for details. pin, pinacolato; PMB, 4-methoxybenzyl ether.

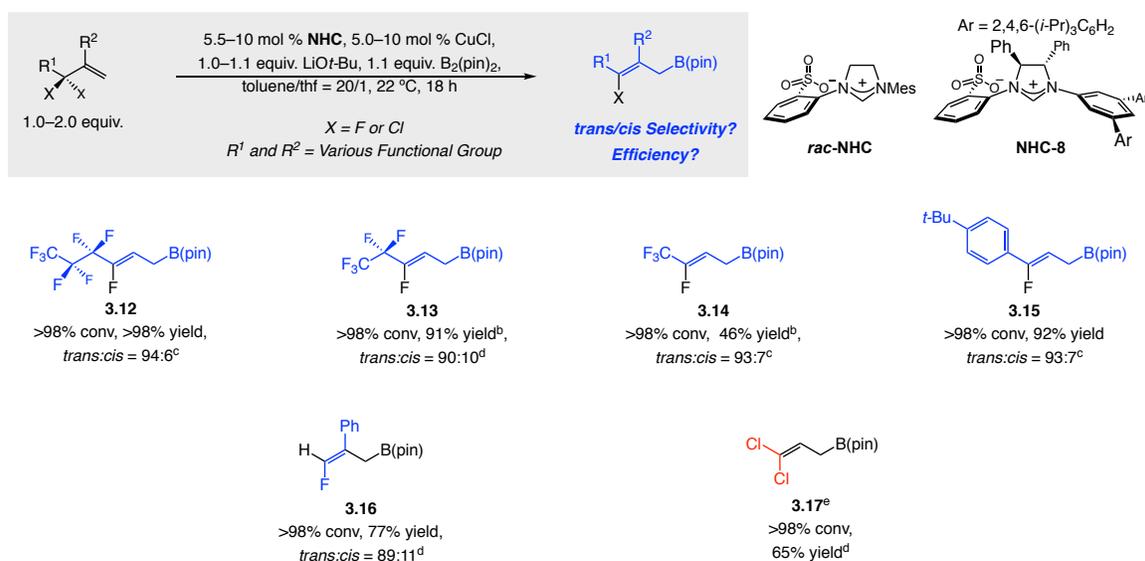
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NHC-23, NHC-25, and NHC-26 which led to the formation of **3.5** in 92:8 er. The more electron-rich NHC-26 also delivered **3.4** in high er in the opposite sense of enantioselectivity (vs with NHC-8, Scheme 3.11a). Moreover, broader applicability was observed with different starting materials to furnish **3.6** (87% yield and 92:8 er, Scheme 3.11b), **3.7** (>98% yield and 90:10 er, Scheme 3.11b), and **3.8** (81% yield and 95:5 er, Scheme 3.11b). The X-ray structure secured for **3.6** (Scheme 3.11b) allowed us to establish the absolute stereochemical identity of the major product.

3.3.4 *trans*-Selective B(pin) Allylic Substitution and Application of Allyl B(pin)

High *trans*-selectivity was observed using fluoroalkyl terminal olefins (up to 94:6 *trans*:*cis* ratio, **3.12**–**3.15**, Scheme 3.12). In particular, despite the small atomic radius difference between F and H, reasonably high *trans*-selectivity was obtained for the

Scheme 3.12. B(pin) Allylic Substitution with Terminal Olefins^a

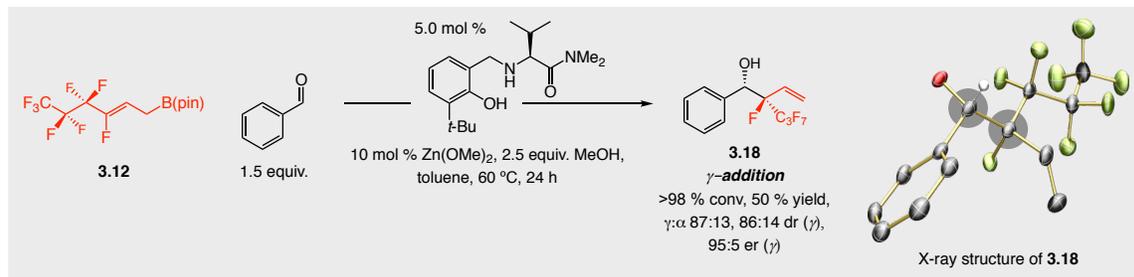


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transformation leading to **3.16** (89:11 *trans*:*cis*, Scheme 3.12). The preparation of **3.17** (from 3,3,3-trichloropropene) shows that the protocol can be extended to other useful halogenated allylboron reagents that could serve as important building blocks for the

synthesis of complex molecules. To showcase utility, fluorinated allyl-B(pin) **3.12** was employed as a reagent for allyl addition to benzaldehyde in the presence of an

Scheme 3.13. Representative Allylation with Halogenated Allyl B(pin)^a



^a Reactions were performed under N₂ atmosphere. Conversion (conv.) was based on the disappearance of the limiting reagent and determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures; the variance of values is estimated to be $\leq \pm 2\%$. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis; the variance of values is estimated to be $\leq \pm 1\%$. pin, pinacolato.

aminophenol-based catalyst¹⁶ to furnish γ -selective product **3.18** in high diastereo- and enantioselectivity (86:14 dr and 95:5 er, Scheme 3.13). The crystal structure of **3.18** ascertained the absolute stereochemical identity of the major product (Scheme 3.13).

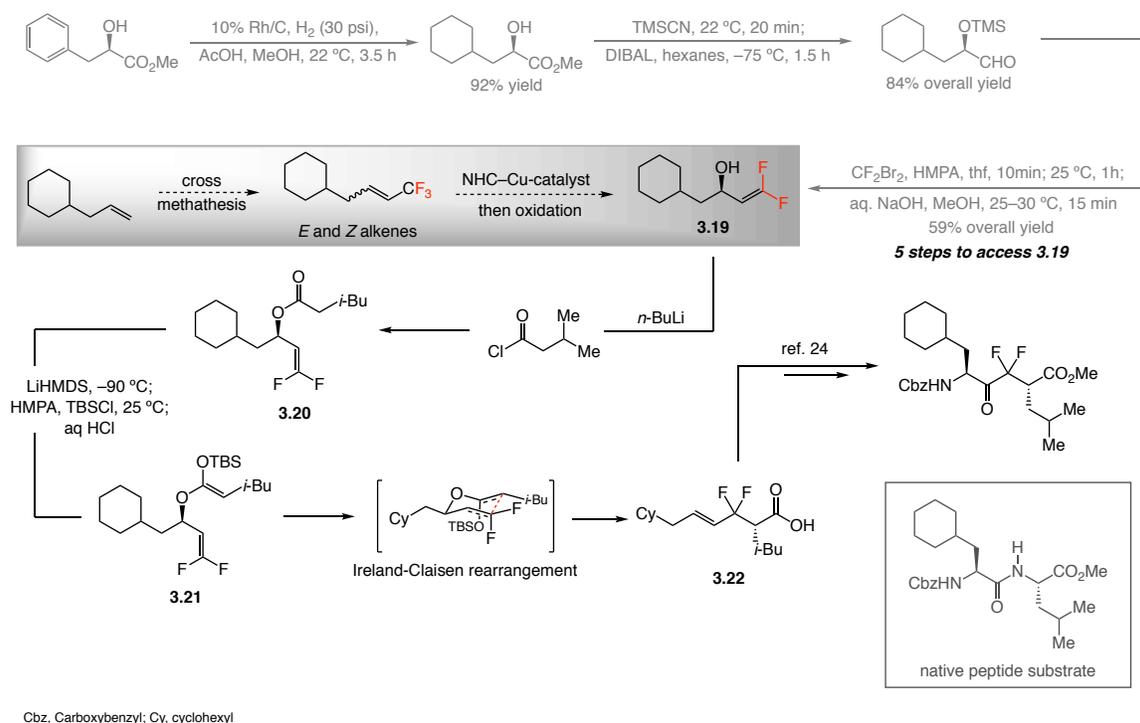
3.4 Conclusions

A highly stereoselective catalytic boryl allylic substitution protocol has been developed for the generation of valuable halogen-substituted allylboron reagents. The process is promoted by a chiral NHC–Cu-based complex and is applicable to a broad range of haloalkyl olefin substrates such as alkenyl-CF₃, -C_nF_{2n+1}, -CF₂Ar, -CF₂H, and CCl₃ to afford allyl–B(pin) products in high selectivity and efficiency (92:8 to 95:5 enantiomeric ratio, 89:11 to >98:2 *trans*:*cis* ratio, 46 to >98% yield, Scheme 3.11 and Scheme 3.12). Through our systematic studies, the background reactivity could be inhibited by adjustment of the solvent system, which led to an increase in enantioselectivity (Table 3.1). In addition, using a proper Lewis acid is crucial to accelerate metal–fluoride elimination,²¹ necessary for high yield and selectivity.

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Otherwise the in-situ generated alkyl-copper complex²² could decompose, causing a loss of kinetic stereoselectivity²³ (see chapter 1 regarding the importance of keeping kinetic enantioselectivity). The resulting allyl–boron product may be used as a reagent for catalytic allylation to aldehydes using a simple aminophenol-derived catalyst (Scheme 3.13). Compared to the previously disclosed enantioselective allylic arylation of CF₃-alkenes using an expensive Rh-based catalyst, our developed allylic borylation methods presents a number of distinct advantages: (1) Inexpensive Cu-based catalyst is used for better sustainability. (2) Allylic boronate products are amenable to a wider range of transformations to afford coveted halogene-containing compounds. (3) Different classes of haloalkyl olefins may be utilized (other than CF₃-alkenes). To further demonstrate utility, studies to access **3.19**, an important building block for the preparation of

Scheme 3.14. Synthesis of Fluorinated Protease Inhibitors

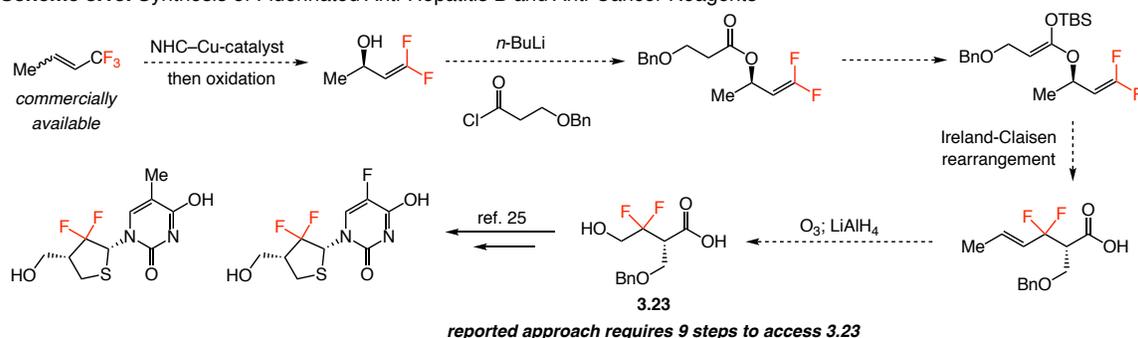


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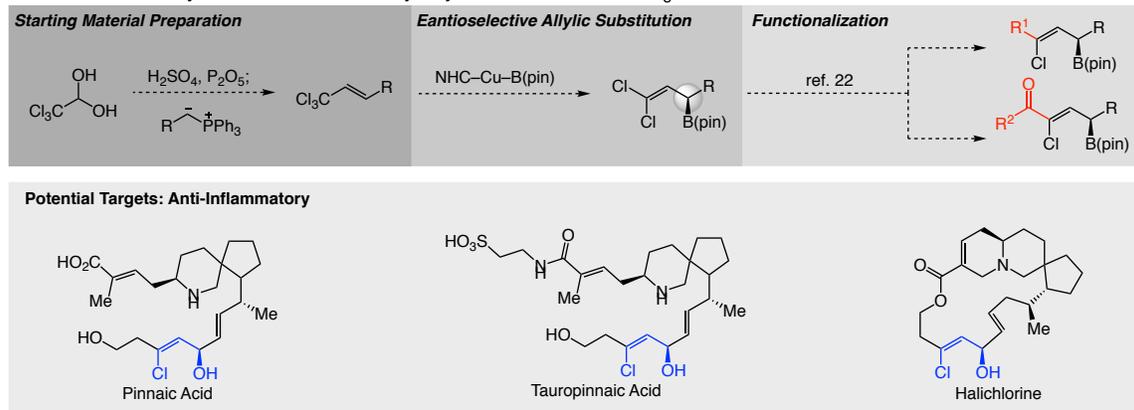
fluorinated enzyme inhibitors, are ongoing (Scheme 3.14).²⁴ This application offers an alternative way to generate **3.19** without resorting to conventional inefficient non-catalytic methods (2 steps vs 5 steps to access **3.19**, Scheme 3.14). Stereoretentive Ireland-Claisen rearrangement (**3.21** → **3.22**, Scheme 3.14) is a functionalization for enantioenriched allylic alcohols which can be readily accessed from the generated difluoroalkene (after one-step oxidation). In addition to the formation of fluorinated enzyme inhibitors (Scheme 3.14), difluoroalkene analogs of anti-hepatitis B and anti-

Scheme 3.15. Synthesis of Fluorinated Anti-Hepatitis B and Anti-Cancer Reagents



cancer agent²⁵ are going to be prepared (Scheme 3.15). The preliminary result for the formation of **3.17** (Scheme 3.12) means that dichloroalkene product may be potentially accessed. Future development of catalytic methods that generate enantioenriched

Scheme 3.16. Catalytic Enantioselective Boryl Allylic Substitution with CCl₃-Alkenes



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dichloro-allylic boronates for potential functionalization²⁶ an application in chlorinated natural product synthesis²⁷ (Scheme 3.16) is in the pipeline.

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3.5 Experimentals

3.5.1 General

Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker FT-IR Alpha (ATR mode) spectrophotometer, ν_{\max} in cm^{-1} . Bands are characterized as broad (br), strong (s), medium (m), and weak (w). ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity INOVA 400 (400 MHz), 500 (500 MHz), or 600 (600 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 7.26 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, pent = pentet, m = multiplet, br = broad, app = apparent), and coupling constants (Hz). ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Unity INOVA 400 (100 MHz), 500 (125 MHz), or 600 (150 MHz) spectrometers with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 77.16 ppm). ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Unity INOVA 400 (376 MHz). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm with trifluorotoluene as an external standard (trifluorotoluene: δ -63.72 ppm). Data are re

ported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, pent = pentet, m = multiplet, br = broad, app = apparent), and coupling constants (Hz). High-resolution mass spectrometry was performed on a JEOL AccuTOF DART (positive mode) or an Advion Expression CMS (ESI+ or ESI-) at the Mass Spectrometry Facility, Boston College. Enantiomeric ratios were determined by HPLC analysis (high-performance liquid chromatography) with a Shimadzu chromatograph [Chiral Technologies Chiralcel AZ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral

Technologies Chiralcel OC-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OD-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OJ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OZ-H (4.6 x 250 mm), or Chiral Technologies Chiralpak AD-H (4.6 x 250 mm)] in comparison with authentic racemic materials. Specific rotations were measured on a Rudolph Research Analytical Autopol IV Polarimeter. Melting points were measured on a Thomas Hoover capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

Unless otherwise noted, reactions were carried out with distilled and degassed solvents under an atmosphere of dry N₂ in oven- (135 °C) or flame-dried glassware with standard dry box or vacuum-line techniques. Hexane, Toluene, and dichloromethane were purified under a positive pressure of dry argon by a modified Innovative Technologies purification system through a copper oxide and alumina column. Tetrahydrofuran (Aldrich Chemical Co.) was purified by distillation from sodium benzophenone ketyl immediately prior to use. All work-up and purification procedures were carried out with reagent grade solvents (purchased from Fisher Scientific) under air.

3.5.2 Regents

Bis(pinacolato)diboron [B₂(pin)₂]: purchased from Frontier Scientific, Inc., recrystallized from pentane and dried under vacuum prior to use.

Caesium Fluoride: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Copper(I) chloride: purchased from Strem and used as received.

***N,N*-Dimethylformamide:** purchased from Acros and used as received.

Lithium *tert*-butoxide: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Phosphine ligands (L2, 3a, 6 and 10): purchased from Strem and used as received.

Imidazolinium salt NHC-6: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.²⁴

Imidazolinium salt NHC-7: prepared according to a previously reported procedure.²⁵

Iodine: purchased from Alfa aesar and used as received.

(E)-Trimethyl-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-enyl)silane: purchased from TCI America and used as received.

(E)-4,4,4-trifluorobut-2-en-1-ol: purchased from Oakwood chemicals and used as received.

Tris(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)phosphine: purchased from Alfa aesar and used as received.

Tris(dibenzylideneacetone)dipalladium: purchased from Strem and used as received.

Trifluoromethyl(1,10-phenanthroline) copper(I): purchased from Strem and used as received.

1-(tert-butyl)-4-iodobenzene: purchased from Aldrich and used as received.

Preparation of starting materials:

β -trifluoromethylstyrene derivatives were synthesized by the Hiyama cross-coupling reaction of aryl iodides and (E)-Trimethyl-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-enyl)silane.²⁶

Alkyl alkenyl CF₃ reagents were synthesized from the corresponding iodines by a copper-mediated methods for trifluoromethylation.²⁷

3.5.3 Representative Procedure and Products

In an N₂-filled glove box, an oven-dried 2 dram vial with magnetic stir bar was

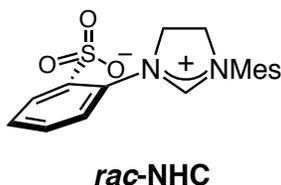
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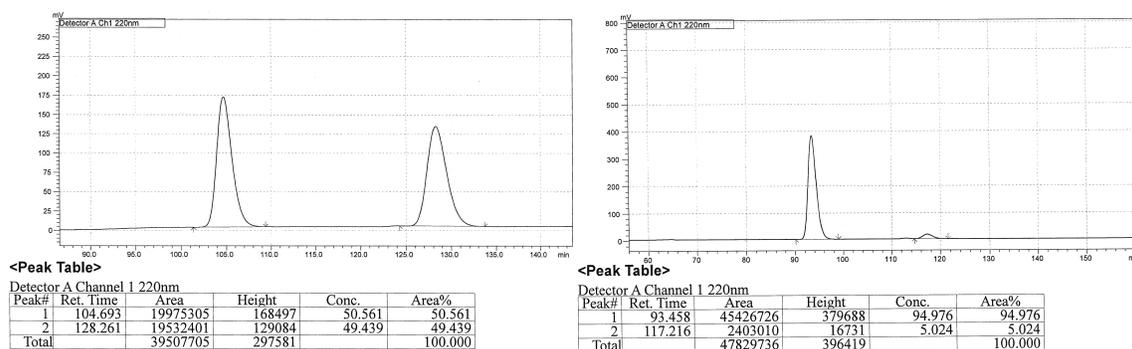
charged with CuCl (0.5 mg, 0.005 mmol), **NHC-8** (4.7 mg, 0.0055 mmol), LiOt-Bu (8.8 mg, 0.11 mmol), freshly distilled tetrahydrofuran (thf, 50 μ L), and dried toluene (1.0 mL). The reaction mixture was premixed for 1 hour before B₂(pin)₂ (28 mg, 0.11 mmol) and alkenyl CF₃ reagent (24.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) were added. The vial was sealed with electrical tape before removal from the glove box, and the resulting mixture was allowed to stir at 22 °C for 14 hours. The mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel and celite (4 cm x 1 cm) eluted with Et₂O. The organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes:Et₂O=10:1, R_f=0.2) to afford 29.2 mg of the desired product as a clear oil (0.0824 mmol, 82% yield). The racemic sample was prepared by the same procedure except through the use of 10 mol % *rac*-**NHC** and CuCl.



(*S*)-2-(4,4-difluoro-1-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)but-3-en-2-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (3.4): IR (neat): 2979 (w), 2928 (w), 2855 (w), 1742 (m), 1613 (w), 1513 (m), 1465 (w), 1371 (s), 1325 (s), 1245 (s), 1142 (s), 1089 (s), 1036 (s), 819 (s), 677 (w), 515 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.43 (dt, *J* = 18.0, 12.0 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (ddd, *J* = 26.0, 9.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.53 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.23 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 159.2, 156.3 (dd, *J* = 283, 283.8 Hz), 130.7, 129.2, 113.8, 83.9, 77.0 (dd, *J* = 23.5, 20.5 Hz), 72.6, 71.0 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 55.4, 24.9, 24.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -89.6 (d, *J* = 47.8, 1F), -91.5 (dd, *J* = 47.8, 25.9 Hz, 1F); HRMS [M+NH₄]⁺ Found for

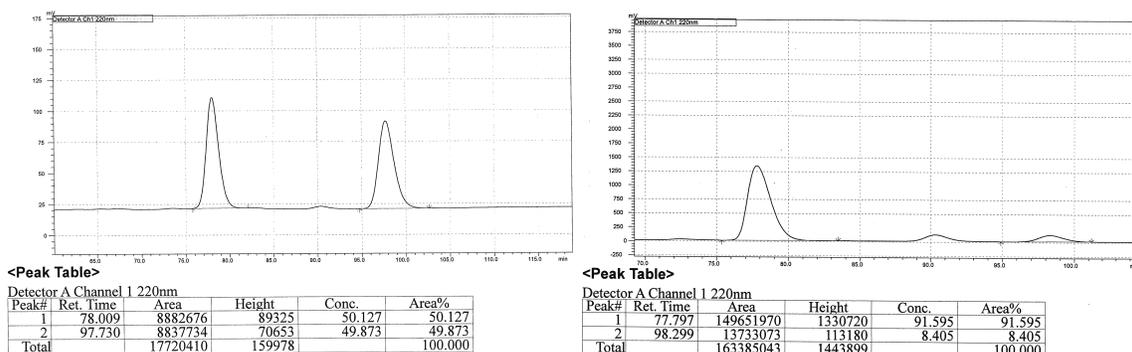
$C_{18}H_{29}BF_2O_4N$: 372.2178; specific rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} -1.18$ ($c = 2.13$, $CHCl_3$) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er. Enantiomeric Purity of (*S*)-**3.4** was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er shown; AD-H column, 98:2 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity with *E*-alkene & NHC-8

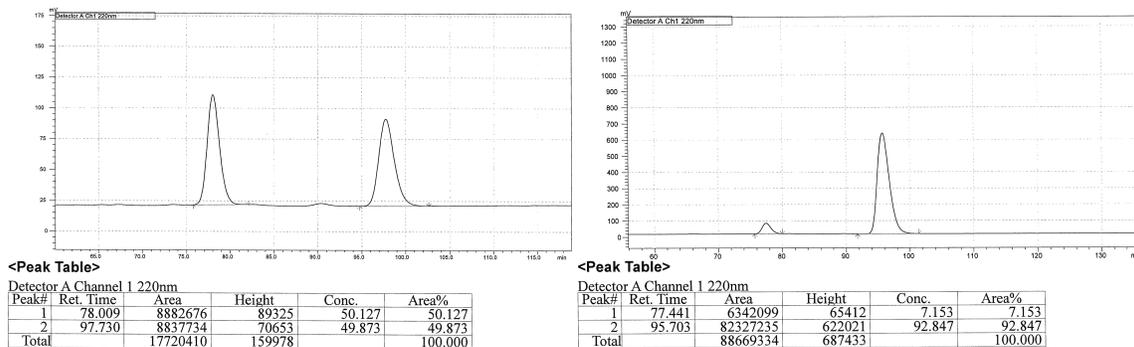


Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %	Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %
1	104.693	19975305	50.561	1	93.458	45429726	94.976
2	128.261	19532401	49.439	2	117.216	2403010	5.024

Enantiomeric purity with *Z*-alkene & NHC-8



Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %	Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %
1	78.009	8882676	50.127	1	77.797	149651970	91.595
2	97.730	8837734	49.873	2	98.299	13733073	8.405

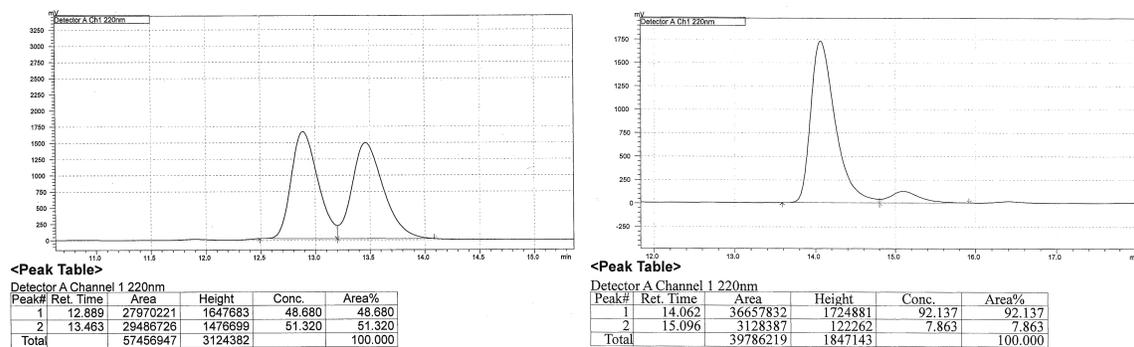
Enantiomeric purity with *E*-alkene & NHC-26

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1	78.009	8882676	50.127	1	77.441	6342099	7.153
2	97.730	8837734	49.873	2	95.703	82327235	92.847

(*R*)-2-(1-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-3,3-difluoroallyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-

dioxaborolane (3.5): After the crude mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) eluted with dried Et₂O, the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by using oven dried short silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) with dried solvents. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 2965 (m), 1739 (s), 1510 (w), 1466 (w), 1363 (s), 1326 (s), 1292 (m), 1268 (m), 1256 (m), 1197 (s), 1108 (m), 914 (s), 571 (m), 521 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.30–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (ddd, *J* = 25.2, 10.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 1.30 (s, 9H), 1.23 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 12H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 156.0 (t, *J* = 285.4 Hz), 148.7, 137.7 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 127.6, 125.7, 84.0, 79.4 (dd, *J* = 22.8, 20.5 Hz), 34.5, 31.5, 24.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -90.4 (d, *J* = 46.6, 1F), -92 (dd, *J* = 47.0, 25.9 Hz, 1F); HRMS was not determined due to instability of the product.; [α]_D²⁰ -21.63 (*c* = 2.64, CH₂Cl₂) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 92:8 er. Enantiomeric Purity of **3.5** was determined

by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (92:8 er shown; OZ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

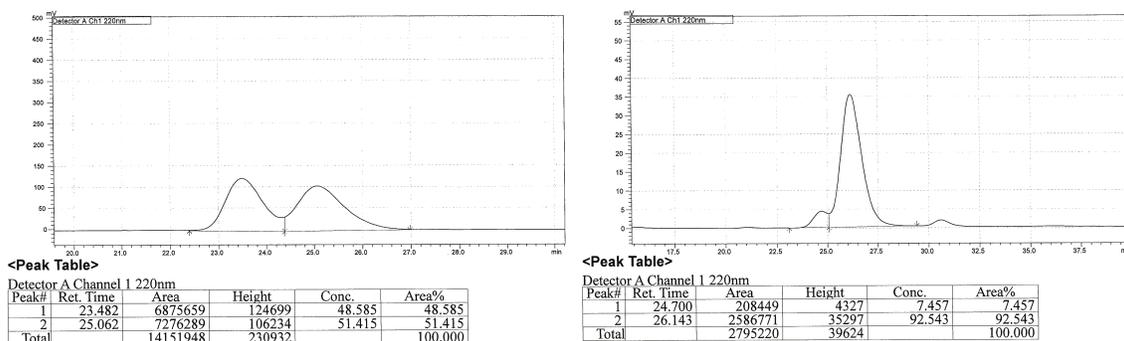


Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %	Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %
1	12.889	27970221	48.680	1	14.062	36657832	92.137
2	13.463	29486726	51.320	2	15.096	3128387	7.863

(S)-2-(1,1-difluoro-5-phenylpent-1-en-3-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

(3.6): After the crude mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) eluted with dried Et₂O, the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by using oven dried short silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) with dried solvents. Melting point: 50–52 °C; IR (CH₂Cl₂): 2977 (w), 2926 (w), 1738 (s), 1600 (w), 1454 (s), 1372 (s), 1363 (s), 1211 (s), 1156 (s), 1142 (s), 670 (m), 441 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.29–1.26 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.16 (m, 3H), 4.20 (ddd, *J* = 26.0, 10.4, 2.8 Hz), 2.71–2.64 (m, 1H), 2.57 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 10.6, 5.8, 1H), 1.92–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.72–1.62 (m, 1H), 1.56 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 156.3 (t, *J* = 284.6 Hz), 142.3, 128.6, 128.5, 125.9, 83.7, 78.9 (t, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 35.3, 33.2, 24.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -90.0 (d, *J* = 48.9 Hz, 1F), -92.2 (dd, *J* = 48.9, 24.4 Hz, 1F); HRMS [M+H]⁺ Found for C₁₇H₂₄BF₂O₂: 309.1823; [α]_D²⁰ -1.20 (*c* = 2.07, CH₂Cl₂) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 92:8 er. Enantiomeric Purity of **3.6** was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison

with authentic racemic material (92:8 er shown; OJ-H column, 100% hexanes, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

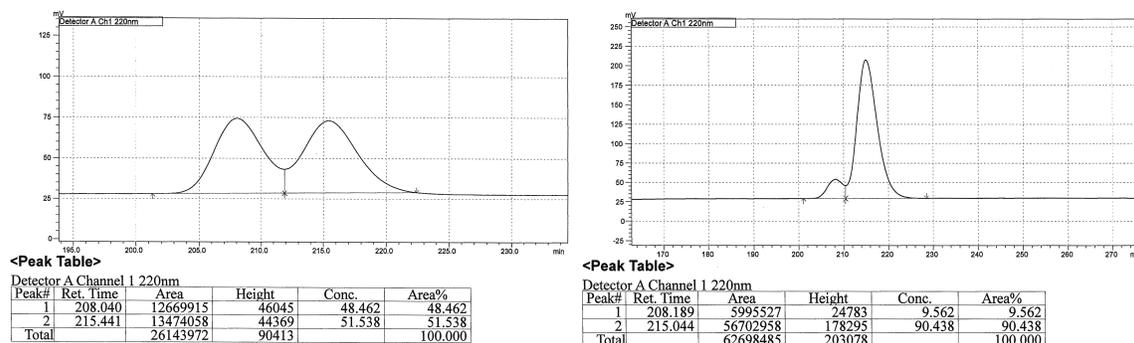


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1	23.482	6875659	48.585	1	24.700	208449	7.457
2	25.062	7276289	51.415	2	26.143	2586771	92.543

(S)-9,9-difluoro-7-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)non-8-en-1-yl

ferrocenecarboxylate (3.7): After the crude mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) eluted with dried Et₂O, the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by using oven dried short silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) with dried solvents. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 2986 (w), 2933 (w), 2879 (w), 1738 (m), 1712 (s), 1461 (m), 1372 (m), 1326 (m), 1274 (s), 1108 (s), 407 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 4.80 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 4.38 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 4.21–4.08 (m, 8H), 1.83 (app q, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (app p, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.46–1.31 (m, 8 H), 1.23 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 171.9, 156.1 (t, *J* = 284.6 Hz), 83.6, 79.1 (t, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 71.7, 71.3, 70.2, 69.8, 64.4, 31.0 (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 29.3, 29.0, 28.8, 26.1, 25.2, 24.8; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -90.6 (d, *J* = 49.8 Hz, 1F), -92.9 (dd, *J* = 51.2, 26.3 Hz, 1F); HRMS [M+H]⁺ Found for C₂₆H₃₆BF₂FeO₄: 517.2025; specific rotation: [α]_D²⁰ -1.76 (*c* = 3.25, CH₂Cl₂) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 90:10 er. Enantiomeric Purity of **3.7** was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with

authentic racemic material (90:10 er shown; AD–H column, 98:2 hexanes:*i*PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

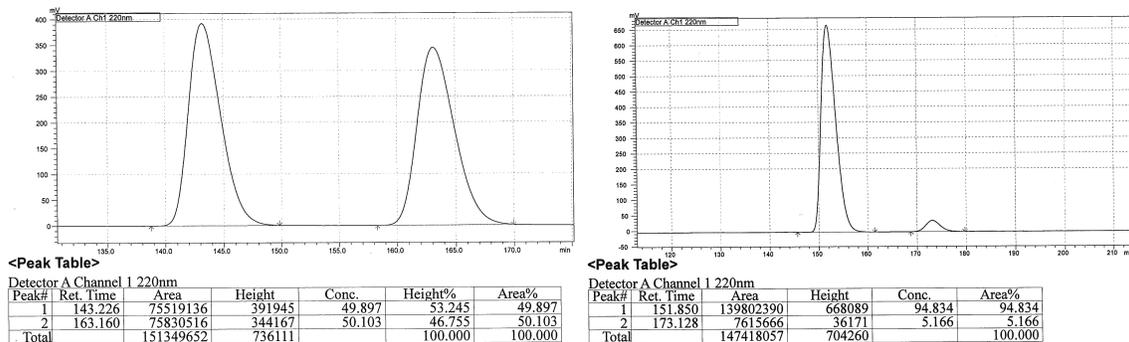


Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %	Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %
1	208.040	12669915	48.462	1	208.189	5995527	9.562
2	215.441	13474058	51.538	2	215.044	56702958	90.438

(R)-2-(4,4-difluoro-1-phenoxybut-3-en-2-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

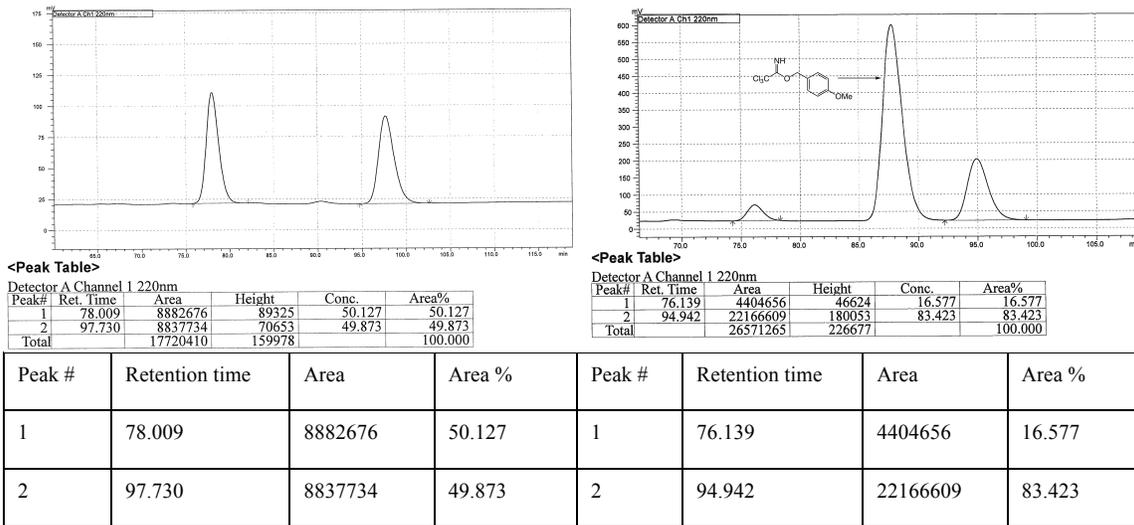
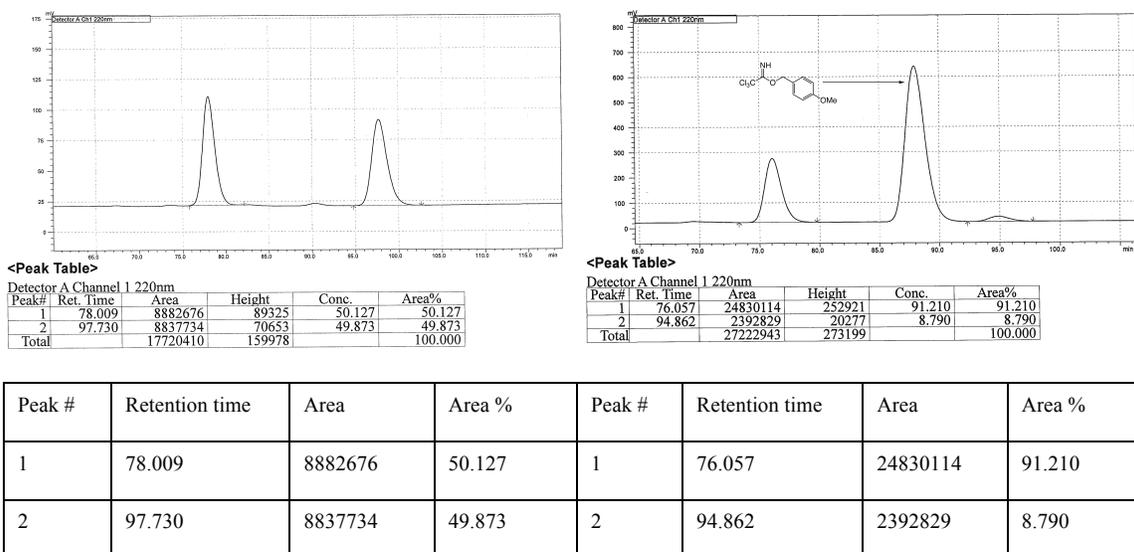
(3.8): After the crude mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) eluted with dried Et₂O, the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by using oven dried short silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) with dried solvents. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 2980 (m), 2935 (w), 1743 (s), 1600 (m), 1587 (w), 1382 (s), 1372 (s), 1329 (s), 1242 (s), 1170 (m), 1132 (s), 965 (w), 691 (m), 419 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.29–7.25 (m, 2H), 6.60–6.87 (m, 3H), 4.37 (ddd, *J* = 26.0, 10.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.41–2.35 (m, 1H), 1.26 (s, 6H), 1.255 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 159.0, 156.5 (dd, *J* = 286.1, 284.6 Hz), 129.5, 120.9, 114.8, 84.1, 76.6 (dd, *J* = 23.6, 20.5 Hz), 69.1 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 24.8, 24.79; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ –89.1 (d, *J* = 46.2 Hz, 1F), 91.1 (dd, *J* = 46.6, 12.4 Hz, 1F); HRMS [M+NH₄]⁺ Found for C₁₆H₂₅BF₂O₃N: 328.1910; [α]_D²⁰ –11.27 (*c* = 1.72, CH₂Cl₂) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 95:5 er. Enantiomeric Purity of **3.8** was determined by HPLC analysis

of the alcohol product after oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (95:5 er. shown; AD–H column, (99:1 hexanes:*i*PrOH,, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %	Peak #	Retention time	Area	Area %
1	143.226	75519136	49.897	1	151.850	668089	94.834
2	163.160	75830516	50.103	2	173.128	36171	5.166

(R)-4,4-difluoro-2-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)but-3-en-1-ol: After the crude mixture was passed through a short plug of silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) eluted with dried Et₂O, the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by using oven dried short silica gel (4 cm x 1 cm) with dried solvents. IR (CH₂Cl₂): 2981 (w), 2885 (w), 1741 (s), 1470 (s), 1372 (s), 1239 (m), 1215 (m), 1141 (s), 1110 (m), 1052 (m), 487 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 4.24 (ddd, *J* = 26.4, 10.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.15–2.09 (m, 1H), 1.91 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 1.26 (s, 12 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 159.7 (t, *J* = 286.2 Hz), 84.1, 76.0 (dd, *J* = 22.7, 20.5 Hz), 63.7 (t, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 24.9, 24.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -88.6 (d, *J* = 46.2 Hz, 1F), -90.8 (dd, *J* = 46.2, 25.9 Hz, 1F); HRMS [M+H]⁺ Found for C₁₀H₁₈BF₂O₃: 235.1322; [α]_D²⁰ -10.81 (*c* = 1.64, CH₂Cl₂) for an enantiomerically enriched sample of 83:17 er. Enantiomeric Purity of product was determined by HPLC analysis of the alcohol product after PMB protection and oxidation in comparison with authentic racemic material (83:17 er shown; AD–H column, (98:2 hexanes:*i*PrOH,, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

Enantiomeric purity with **NHC-26**Enantiomeric purity with **NHC-8**

3.5.4 Data for X-ray Crystallography of 3.6

The absolute configuration of **3.6** was established by X-ray analysis, which was assigned to be (*R*) configuration. The absolute stereochemistry for other enantiomerically enriched products has been assigned by inference.

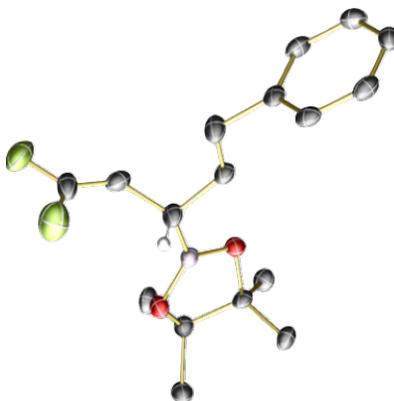


Table 3.3 Crystal data and structure refinement for $C_{17}H_{23}BF_2O_2$.

Identification code	C17H23BF2O2	
Empirical formula	C17 H23 B F2 O2	
Formula weight	308.16	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54178 \approx	
Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	P1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 8.4140(4) \approx$	$\alpha = 102.2931(18)^\circ$
	$b = 8.8842(4) \approx$	$\beta = 95.7488(19)^\circ$
	$c = 11.9257(6) \approx$	$\gamma = 104.3562(19)^\circ$
Volume	$832.74(7) \approx^3$	
Z	2	
Density (calculated)	1.229 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.766 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	328	
Crystal size	0.420 x 0.280 x 0.180 mm ³	

Theta range for data collection	5.303 to 70.308°.
Index ranges	-10 ≤ h ≤ 10, -10 ≤ k ≤ 10, -14 ≤ l ≤ 14
Reflections collected	11546
Independent reflections	5804 [R(int) = 0.0350]
Completeness to theta = 67.679°	99.3 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7533 and 0.6486
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	5804 / 3 / 405
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.065
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0556, wR2 = 0.1379
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0560, wR2 = 0.1384
Absolute structure parameter	-0.01(4)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.679 and -0.310 e. ^{≈3}

Table 3.4 Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\approx^2 \times 10^3$) for $C_{17}H_{23}BF_2O_2$. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
F(1)	6682(3)	8930(3)	5449(2)	41(1)
F(2)	4901(3)	6902(3)	5704(2)	45(1)
O(1)	8571(3)	4429(3)	8153(2)	23(1)
O(2)	9480(3)	5383(2)	6621(2)	22(1)
B(1)	8453(4)	5432(4)	7437(3)	22(1)
C(1)	6418(4)	7845(4)	6065(3)	28(1)
C(2)	7512(4)	7744(4)	6892(3)	24(1)
C(3)	7215(4)	6524(4)	7589(3)	24(1)
C(4)	7307(4)	7269(4)	8894(3)	24(1)
C(5)	6038(4)	8217(4)	9164(3)	28(1)
C(6)	6136(4)	8806(4)	10460(3)	25(1)
C(7)	7282(4)	10233(4)	11094(3)	26(1)
C(8)	7384(4)	10746(4)	12295(3)	29(1)
C(9)	6351(4)	9830(4)	12876(3)	31(1)
C(10)	5215(4)	8412(4)	12265(3)	31(1)
C(11)	5100(4)	7905(4)	11062(3)	28(1)
C(12)	9986(4)	3808(4)	7902(3)	22(1)
C(13)	10151(4)	4013(4)	6651(3)	22(1)
C(14)	11466(4)	4861(4)	8812(3)	26(1)

C(15)	9586(4)	2096(4)	8021(3)	28(1)
C(16)	11916(4)	4425(4)	6397(3)	28(1)
C(17)	9054(5)	2611(4)	5692(3)	30(1)
F(3)	2909(4)	1352(4)	4174(3)	60(1)
F(4)	5183(3)	3165(4)	4924(2)	56(1)
O(3)	1129(3)	5351(3)	1841(2)	27(1)
O(4)	307(3)	4596(3)	3453(2)	26(1)
B(2)	1196(4)	4370(4)	2567(3)	24(1)
C(18)	3869(5)	2681(5)	4086(3)	38(1)
C(19)	3642(4)	3510(4)	3315(3)	32(1)
C(20)	2168(4)	3043(4)	2380(3)	29(1)
C(21)	2578(4)	2731(4)	1144(3)	26(1)
C(22)	3460(5)	1425(5)	840(3)	33(1)
C(23)	3544(4)	1007(4)	-452(3)	25(1)
C(24)	2466(4)	-383(4)	-1177(3)	26(1)
C(25)	2478(4)	-755(4)	-2358(3)	28(1)
C(26)	3566(4)	247(4)	-2847(3)	28(1)
C(27)	4670(4)	1636(4)	-2133(3)	30(1)
C(28)	4644(4)	1999(4)	-946(3)	28(1)
C(29)	-186(4)	6119(4)	2131(3)	24(1)
C(30)	-246(4)	6032(4)	3417(3)	24(1)
C(31)	-1764(4)	5086(4)	1299(3)	29(1)
C(32)	298(5)	7796(4)	1936(3)	31(1)

C(33)	-1954(5)	5779(5)	3759(3)	34(1)
C(34)	996(5)	7426(4)	4295(3)	34(1)

Table 3.5 Bond lengths [\approx] and angles [∞] for $C_{17}H_{23}BF_2O_2$.

F(1)-C(1)	1.322(4)
F(2)-C(1)	1.312(4)
O(1)-B(1)	1.372(4)
O(1)-C(12)	1.462(3)
O(2)-B(1)	1.365(4)
O(2)-C(13)	1.469(3)
B(1)-C(3)	1.589(4)
C(1)-C(2)	1.314(5)
C(2)-C(3)	1.489(4)
C(2)-H(2)	0.9500
C(3)-C(4)	1.542(4)
C(3)-H(3)	1.0000
C(4)-C(5)	1.534(4)
C(4)-H(4A)	0.9900
C(4)-H(4B)	0.9900
C(5)-C(6)	1.509(4)
C(5)-H(5A)	0.9900
C(5)-H(5B)	0.9900
C(6)-C(11)	1.393(5)
C(6)-C(7)	1.395(5)
C(7)-C(8)	1.394(5)
C(7)-H(7)	0.9500

C(8)-C(9)	1.381(5)
C(8)-H(8)	0.9500
C(9)-C(10)	1.380(5)
C(9)-H(9)	0.9500
C(10)-C(11)	1.394(5)
C(10)-H(10)	0.9500
C(11)-H(11)	0.9500
C(12)-C(15)	1.514(4)
C(12)-C(14)	1.524(4)
C(12)-C(13)	1.557(4)
C(13)-C(16)	1.516(5)
C(13)-C(17)	1.524(5)
C(14)-H(14A)	0.9800
C(14)-H(14B)	0.9800
C(14)-H(14C)	0.9800
C(15)-H(15A)	0.9800
C(15)-H(15B)	0.9800
C(15)-H(15C)	0.9800
C(16)-H(16A)	0.9800
C(16)-H(16B)	0.9800
C(16)-H(16C)	0.9800
C(17)-H(17A)	0.9800
C(17)-H(17B)	0.9800

C(17)-H(17C)	0.9800
F(3)-C(18)	1.286(6)
F(4)-C(18)	1.329(5)
O(3)-B(2)	1.359(4)
O(3)-C(29)	1.470(4)
O(4)-B(2)	1.364(4)
O(4)-C(30)	1.469(3)
B(2)-C(20)	1.585(4)
C(18)-C(19)	1.322(5)
C(19)-C(20)	1.491(5)
C(19)-H(19)	0.9500
C(20)-C(21)	1.531(4)
C(20)-H(20)	1.0000
C(21)-C(22)	1.526(4)
C(21)-H(21A)	0.9900
C(21)-H(21B)	0.9900
C(22)-C(23)	1.519(5)
C(22)-H(22A)	0.9900
C(22)-H(22B)	0.9900
C(23)-C(28)	1.381(5)
C(23)-C(24)	1.389(5)
C(24)-C(25)	1.378(5)
C(24)-H(24)	0.9500

C(25)-C(26)	1.376(5)
C(25)-H(25)	0.9500
C(26)-C(27)	1.392(5)
C(26)-H(26)	0.9500
C(27)-C(28)	1.387(5)
C(27)-H(27)	0.9500
C(28)-H(28)	0.9500
C(29)-C(32)	1.518(5)
C(29)-C(31)	1.527(5)
C(29)-C(30)	1.557(4)
C(30)-C(33)	1.510(5)
C(30)-C(34)	1.520(5)
C(31)-H(31A)	0.9800
C(31)-H(31B)	0.9800
C(31)-H(31C)	0.9800
C(32)-H(32A)	0.9800
C(32)-H(32B)	0.9800
C(32)-H(32C)	0.9800
C(33)-H(33A)	0.9800
C(33)-H(33B)	0.9800
C(33)-H(33C)	0.9800
C(34)-H(34A)	0.9800
C(34)-H(34B)	0.9800

C(34)-H(34C)	0.9800
B(1)-O(1)-C(12)	106.7(2)
B(1)-O(2)-C(13)	106.6(2)
O(2)-B(1)-O(1)	113.7(3)
O(2)-B(1)-C(3)	125.3(3)
O(1)-B(1)-C(3)	121.0(3)
F(2)-C(1)-C(2)	126.6(3)
F(2)-C(1)-F(1)	108.5(3)
C(2)-C(1)-F(1)	124.9(3)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	124.9(3)
C(1)-C(2)-H(2)	117.5
C(3)-C(2)-H(2)	117.5
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	112.9(3)
C(2)-C(3)-B(1)	112.3(3)
C(4)-C(3)-B(1)	109.3(2)
C(2)-C(3)-H(3)	107.4
C(4)-C(3)-H(3)	107.4
B(1)-C(3)-H(3)	107.4
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	114.3(2)
C(5)-C(4)-H(4A)	108.7
C(3)-C(4)-H(4A)	108.7
C(5)-C(4)-H(4B)	108.7

C(3)-C(4)-H(4B)	108.7
H(4A)-C(4)-H(4B)	107.6
C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	110.8(2)
C(6)-C(5)-H(5A)	109.5
C(4)-C(5)-H(5A)	109.5
C(6)-C(5)-H(5B)	109.5
C(4)-C(5)-H(5B)	109.5
H(5A)-C(5)-H(5B)	108.1
C(11)-C(6)-C(7)	118.1(3)
C(11)-C(6)-C(5)	120.3(3)
C(7)-C(6)-C(5)	121.6(3)
C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	121.0(3)
C(8)-C(7)-H(7)	119.5
C(6)-C(7)-H(7)	119.5
C(9)-C(8)-C(7)	120.0(3)
C(9)-C(8)-H(8)	120.0
C(7)-C(8)-H(8)	120.0
C(10)-C(9)-C(8)	119.9(3)
C(10)-C(9)-H(9)	120.1
C(8)-C(9)-H(9)	120.1
C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	120.2(3)
C(9)-C(10)-H(10)	119.9
C(11)-C(10)-H(10)	119.9

C(6)-C(11)-C(10)	120.8(3)
C(6)-C(11)-H(11)	119.6
C(10)-C(11)-H(11)	119.6
O(1)-C(12)-C(15)	108.2(3)
O(1)-C(12)-C(14)	106.4(2)
C(15)-C(12)-C(14)	110.3(3)
O(1)-C(12)-C(13)	102.5(2)
C(15)-C(12)-C(13)	115.3(3)
C(14)-C(12)-C(13)	113.3(3)
O(2)-C(13)-C(16)	108.6(3)
O(2)-C(13)-C(17)	106.4(2)
C(16)-C(13)-C(17)	109.9(3)
O(2)-C(13)-C(12)	102.2(2)
C(16)-C(13)-C(12)	115.0(3)
C(17)-C(13)-C(12)	113.9(3)
C(12)-C(14)-H(14A)	109.5
C(12)-C(14)-H(14B)	109.5
H(14A)-C(14)-H(14B)	109.5
C(12)-C(14)-H(14C)	109.5
H(14A)-C(14)-H(14C)	109.5
H(14B)-C(14)-H(14C)	109.5
C(12)-C(15)-H(15A)	109.5
C(12)-C(15)-H(15B)	109.5

H(15A)-C(15)-H(15B)	109.5
C(12)-C(15)-H(15C)	109.5
H(15A)-C(15)-H(15C)	109.5
H(15B)-C(15)-H(15C)	109.5
C(13)-C(16)-H(16A)	109.5
C(13)-C(16)-H(16B)	109.5
H(16A)-C(16)-H(16B)	109.5
C(13)-C(16)-H(16C)	109.5
H(16A)-C(16)-H(16C)	109.5
H(16B)-C(16)-H(16C)	109.5
C(13)-C(17)-H(17A)	109.5
C(13)-C(17)-H(17B)	109.5
H(17A)-C(17)-H(17B)	109.5
C(13)-C(17)-H(17C)	109.5
H(17A)-C(17)-H(17C)	109.5
H(17B)-C(17)-H(17C)	109.5
B(2)-O(3)-C(29)	106.7(2)
B(2)-O(4)-C(30)	106.8(2)
O(3)-B(2)-O(4)	113.9(3)
O(3)-B(2)-C(20)	123.2(3)
O(4)-B(2)-C(20)	122.9(3)
F(3)-C(18)-C(19)	127.8(4)
F(3)-C(18)-F(4)	109.6(3)

C(19)-C(18)-F(4)	122.6(4)
C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	124.7(4)
C(18)-C(19)-H(19)	117.7
C(20)-C(19)-H(19)	117.7
C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	114.3(3)
C(19)-C(20)-B(2)	109.5(3)
C(21)-C(20)-B(2)	110.3(2)
C(19)-C(20)-H(20)	107.5
C(21)-C(20)-H(20)	107.5
B(2)-C(20)-H(20)	107.5
C(22)-C(21)-C(20)	115.3(3)
C(22)-C(21)-H(21A)	108.5
C(20)-C(21)-H(21A)	108.5
C(22)-C(21)-H(21B)	108.5
C(20)-C(21)-H(21B)	108.5
H(21A)-C(21)-H(21B)	107.5
C(23)-C(22)-C(21)	111.2(3)
C(23)-C(22)-H(22A)	109.4
C(21)-C(22)-H(22A)	109.4
C(23)-C(22)-H(22B)	109.4
C(21)-C(22)-H(22B)	109.4
H(22A)-C(22)-H(22B)	108.0
C(28)-C(23)-C(24)	118.1(3)

C(28)-C(23)-C(22)	121.8(3)
C(24)-C(23)-C(22)	120.1(3)
C(25)-C(24)-C(23)	121.1(3)
C(25)-C(24)-H(24)	119.5
C(23)-C(24)-H(24)	119.5
C(26)-C(25)-C(24)	120.6(3)
C(26)-C(25)-H(25)	119.7
C(24)-C(25)-H(25)	119.7
C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	119.3(3)
C(25)-C(26)-H(26)	120.4
C(27)-C(26)-H(26)	120.4
C(28)-C(27)-C(26)	119.6(3)
C(28)-C(27)-H(27)	120.2
C(26)-C(27)-H(27)	120.2
C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	121.4(3)
C(23)-C(28)-H(28)	119.3
C(27)-C(28)-H(28)	119.3
O(3)-C(29)-C(32)	108.6(3)
O(3)-C(29)-C(31)	106.0(2)
C(32)-C(29)-C(31)	110.6(3)
O(3)-C(29)-C(30)	102.0(2)
C(32)-C(29)-C(30)	115.5(3)
C(31)-C(29)-C(30)	113.2(3)

O(4)-C(30)-C(33)	108.2(3)
O(4)-C(30)-C(34)	106.7(3)
C(33)-C(30)-C(34)	110.5(3)
O(4)-C(30)-C(29)	102.2(2)
C(33)-C(30)-C(29)	114.9(3)
C(34)-C(30)-C(29)	113.7(3)
C(29)-C(31)-H(31A)	109.5
C(29)-C(31)-H(31B)	109.5
H(31A)-C(31)-H(31B)	109.5
C(29)-C(31)-H(31C)	109.5
H(31A)-C(31)-H(31C)	109.5
H(31B)-C(31)-H(31C)	109.5
C(29)-C(32)-H(32A)	109.5
C(29)-C(32)-H(32B)	109.5
H(32A)-C(32)-H(32B)	109.5
C(29)-C(32)-H(32C)	109.5
H(32A)-C(32)-H(32C)	109.5
H(32B)-C(32)-H(32C)	109.5
C(30)-C(33)-H(33A)	109.5
C(30)-C(33)-H(33B)	109.5
H(33A)-C(33)-H(33B)	109.5
C(30)-C(33)-H(33C)	109.5
H(33A)-C(33)-H(33C)	109.5

H(33B)-C(33)-H(33C)	109.5
C(30)-C(34)-H(34A)	109.5
C(30)-C(34)-H(34B)	109.5
H(34A)-C(34)-H(34B)	109.5
C(30)-C(34)-H(34C)	109.5
H(34A)-C(34)-H(34C)	109.5
H(34B)-C(34)-H(34C)	109.5

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table 3.6 Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\approx 2 \times 10^3$) for $C_{17}H_{23}BF_2O_2$. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^{*2}U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{23}	U^{13}	U^{12}
F(1)	51(1)	40(1)	42(1)	19(1)	10(1)	20(1)
F(2)	34(1)	44(1)	54(1)	19(1)	-9(1)	6(1)
O(1)	21(1)	28(1)	25(1)	9(1)	6(1)	14(1)
O(2)	23(1)	24(1)	23(1)	7(1)	4(1)	12(1)
B(1)	22(2)	23(2)	20(2)	3(1)	1(1)	10(1)
C(1)	31(2)	34(2)	26(2)	8(1)	5(1)	17(2)
C(2)	22(2)	24(1)	29(2)	6(1)	6(1)	11(1)
C(3)	23(2)	30(2)	23(2)	7(1)	2(1)	14(1)
C(4)	24(2)	28(2)	24(2)	6(1)	3(1)	16(1)
C(5)	27(2)	36(2)	26(2)	6(1)	2(1)	20(2)
C(6)	22(2)	30(2)	27(2)	5(1)	1(1)	19(1)
C(7)	25(2)	28(2)	32(2)	10(1)	8(1)	15(1)
C(8)	24(2)	29(2)	33(2)	2(1)	-2(1)	12(1)
C(9)	33(2)	38(2)	26(2)	5(1)	1(1)	21(2)
C(10)	28(2)	38(2)	34(2)	14(2)	9(1)	14(2)
C(11)	22(2)	29(2)	33(2)	4(1)	0(1)	10(1)
C(12)	20(2)	25(2)	24(2)	6(1)	4(1)	12(1)
C(13)	21(2)	26(2)	24(2)	5(1)	4(1)	15(1)
C(14)	24(2)	30(2)	24(2)	6(1)	0(1)	12(1)

C(15)	29(2)	26(2)	31(2)	7(1)	3(1)	12(1)
C(16)	25(2)	39(2)	28(2)	12(1)	10(1)	15(1)
C(17)	32(2)	30(2)	26(2)	2(1)	1(1)	14(1)
F(3)	67(2)	54(2)	60(2)	18(1)	0(1)	18(1)
F(4)	44(1)	76(2)	50(1)	8(1)	-4(1)	32(1)
O(3)	26(1)	36(1)	27(1)	10(1)	10(1)	19(1)
O(4)	31(1)	31(1)	25(1)	11(1)	8(1)	19(1)
B(2)	21(2)	30(2)	22(2)	5(1)	2(1)	12(2)
C(18)	47(2)	55(2)	26(2)	13(2)	9(2)	35(2)
C(19)	23(2)	37(2)	36(2)	4(1)	3(1)	12(1)
C(20)	34(2)	36(2)	27(2)	12(1)	6(1)	24(2)
C(21)	24(2)	31(2)	26(2)	6(1)	2(1)	15(1)
C(22)	42(2)	41(2)	26(2)	7(1)	5(1)	29(2)
C(23)	24(2)	31(2)	25(2)	6(1)	3(1)	20(1)
C(24)	21(2)	27(2)	37(2)	12(1)	7(1)	14(1)
C(25)	22(2)	25(2)	34(2)	1(1)	-2(1)	11(1)
C(26)	30(2)	37(2)	22(2)	5(1)	5(1)	19(2)
C(27)	23(2)	33(2)	39(2)	12(1)	10(1)	10(1)
C(28)	19(2)	26(2)	36(2)	0(1)	-2(1)	7(1)
C(29)	20(2)	29(2)	27(2)	5(1)	4(1)	15(1)
C(30)	27(2)	26(2)	26(2)	7(1)	5(1)	16(1)
C(31)	27(2)	33(2)	28(2)	5(1)	-3(1)	13(1)
C(32)	32(2)	32(2)	35(2)	14(1)	5(1)	16(2)

C(33)	31(2)	48(2)	32(2)	14(2)	12(1)	23(2)
C(34)	41(2)	33(2)	24(2)	1(1)	-3(1)	14(2)

Table 3.7 Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\approx \times 10^{-3}$) for $C_{17}H_{23}BF_2O_2$.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(2)	8573	8506	7058	29
H(3)	6063	5806	7293	29
H(4A)	7133	6400	9307	29
H(4B)	8438	7992	9204	29
H(5A)	6258	9143	8809	34
H(5B)	4904	7523	8821	34
H(7)	8003	10864	10701	31
H(8)	8163	11725	12713	35
H(9)	6423	10176	13695	37
H(10)	4508	7779	12665	37
H(11)	4305	6933	10649	34
H(14A)	11723	5961	8719	38
H(14B)	12433	4447	8712	38
H(14C)	11195	4853	9592	38
H(15A)	9443	2081	8824	42
H(15B)	10498	1640	7821	42
H(15C)	8557	1459	7495	42
H(16A)	11900	4487	5586	43

H(16B)	12437	3592	6530	43
H(16C)	12553	5460	6913	43
H(17A)	7910	2367	5852	44
H(17B)	9470	1669	5664	44
H(17C)	9075	2896	4942	44
H(19)	4477	4472	3359	39
H(20)	1408	2026	2464	35
H(21A)	1530	2433	588	31
H(21B)	3287	3743	1035	31
H(22A)	4600	1798	1288	40
H(22B)	2857	454	1063	40
H(24)	1707	-1088	-854	32
H(25)	1730	-1711	-2839	34
H(26)	3562	-7	-3662	34
H(27)	5437	2333	-2457	36
H(28)	5400	2949	-463	34
H(31A)	-1578	5028	495	44
H(31B)	-2680	5562	1442	44
H(31C)	-2045	4004	1428	44
H(32A)	1373	8405	2416	46
H(32B)	-549	8338	2153	46
H(32C)	382	7728	1114	46
H(33A)	-2694	4772	3267	50

H(33B)	-2397	6671	3658	50
H(33C)	-1879	5730	4575	50
H(34A)	1091	7174	5055	50
H(34B)	614	8393	4356	50
H(34C)	2084	7611	4039	50

Table 3.8 Torsion angles [$^{\circ}$] for $C_{17}H_{23}BF_2O_2$.

C(13)-O(2)-B(1)-O(1)	10.7(3)
C(13)-O(2)-B(1)-C(3)	-169.5(3)
C(12)-O(1)-B(1)-O(2)	8.7(4)
C(12)-O(1)-B(1)-C(3)	-171.2(3)
F(2)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-0.6(5)
F(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	179.8(3)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	-116.7(3)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-B(1)	119.2(3)
O(2)-B(1)-C(3)-C(2)	-11.1(4)
O(1)-B(1)-C(3)-C(2)	168.7(3)
O(2)-B(1)-C(3)-C(4)	-137.2(3)
O(1)-B(1)-C(3)-C(4)	42.6(4)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	60.1(4)
B(1)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	-174.1(3)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	176.1(3)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(11)	-93.5(4)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	84.8(4)
C(11)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	-0.2(4)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	-178.6(3)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	0.6(5)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	-0.3(5)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	-0.3(5)

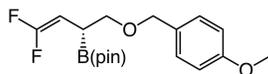
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C(5)-C(6)-C(11)-C(10)	178.0(3)
C(9)-C(10)-C(11)-C(6)	0.7(5)
B(1)-O(1)-C(12)-C(15)	-145.0(3)
B(1)-O(1)-C(12)-C(14)	96.5(3)
B(1)-O(1)-C(12)-C(13)	-22.7(3)
B(1)-O(2)-C(13)-C(16)	-145.8(3)
B(1)-O(2)-C(13)-C(17)	96.0(3)
B(1)-O(2)-C(13)-C(12)	-23.8(3)
O(1)-C(12)-C(13)-O(2)	28.0(3)
C(15)-C(12)-C(13)-O(2)	145.4(3)
C(14)-C(12)-C(13)-O(2)	-86.2(3)
O(1)-C(12)-C(13)-C(16)	145.5(3)
C(15)-C(12)-C(13)-C(16)	-97.2(3)
C(14)-C(12)-C(13)-C(16)	31.2(4)
O(1)-C(12)-C(13)-C(17)	-86.2(3)
C(15)-C(12)-C(13)-C(17)	31.1(4)
C(14)-C(12)-C(13)-C(17)	159.5(3)
C(29)-O(3)-B(2)-O(4)	-11.5(4)
C(29)-O(3)-B(2)-C(20)	166.6(3)
C(30)-O(4)-B(2)-O(3)	-8.2(4)
C(30)-O(4)-B(2)-C(20)	173.7(3)
F(3)-C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	0.6(6)

F(4)-C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	-178.2(3)
C(18)-C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	-118.2(4)
C(18)-C(19)-C(20)-B(2)	117.5(4)
O(3)-B(2)-C(20)-C(19)	111.3(4)
O(4)-B(2)-C(20)-C(19)	-70.8(4)
O(3)-B(2)-C(20)-C(21)	-15.3(5)
O(4)-B(2)-C(20)-C(21)	162.6(3)
C(19)-C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	58.3(4)
B(2)-C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	-177.8(3)
C(20)-C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	170.2(3)
C(21)-C(22)-C(23)-C(28)	75.4(4)
C(21)-C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	-102.7(4)
C(28)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	-0.7(4)
C(22)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	177.5(3)
C(23)-C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	0.0(5)
C(24)-C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	0.7(5)
C(25)-C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	-0.8(5)
C(24)-C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	0.7(5)
C(22)-C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	-177.6(3)
C(26)-C(27)-C(28)-C(23)	0.1(5)
B(2)-O(3)-C(29)-C(32)	147.0(3)
B(2)-O(3)-C(29)-C(31)	-94.1(3)
B(2)-O(3)-C(29)-C(30)	24.6(3)

B(2)-O(4)-C(30)-C(33)	144.4(3)
B(2)-O(4)-C(30)-C(34)	-96.8(3)
B(2)-O(4)-C(30)-C(29)	22.8(3)
O(3)-C(29)-C(30)-O(4)	-28.4(3)
C(32)-C(29)-C(30)-O(4)	-145.9(3)
C(31)-C(29)-C(30)-O(4)	85.0(3)
O(3)-C(29)-C(30)-C(33)	-145.2(3)
C(32)-C(29)-C(30)-C(33)	97.2(4)
C(31)-C(29)-C(30)-C(33)	-31.8(4)
O(3)-C(29)-C(30)-C(34)	86.1(3)
C(32)-C(29)-C(30)-C(34)	-31.4(4)
C(31)-C(29)-C(30)-C(34)	-160.4(3)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

3.5.5 NMR Spectra



JL-V-194PD

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JL-V-194PD

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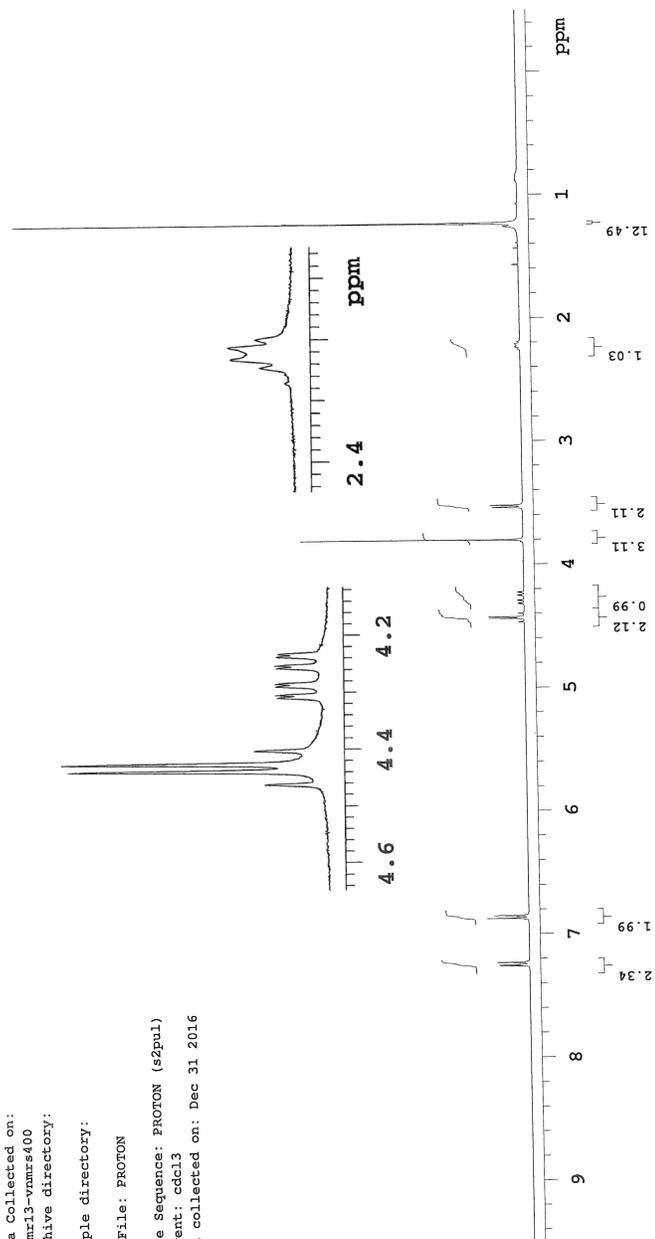
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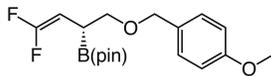
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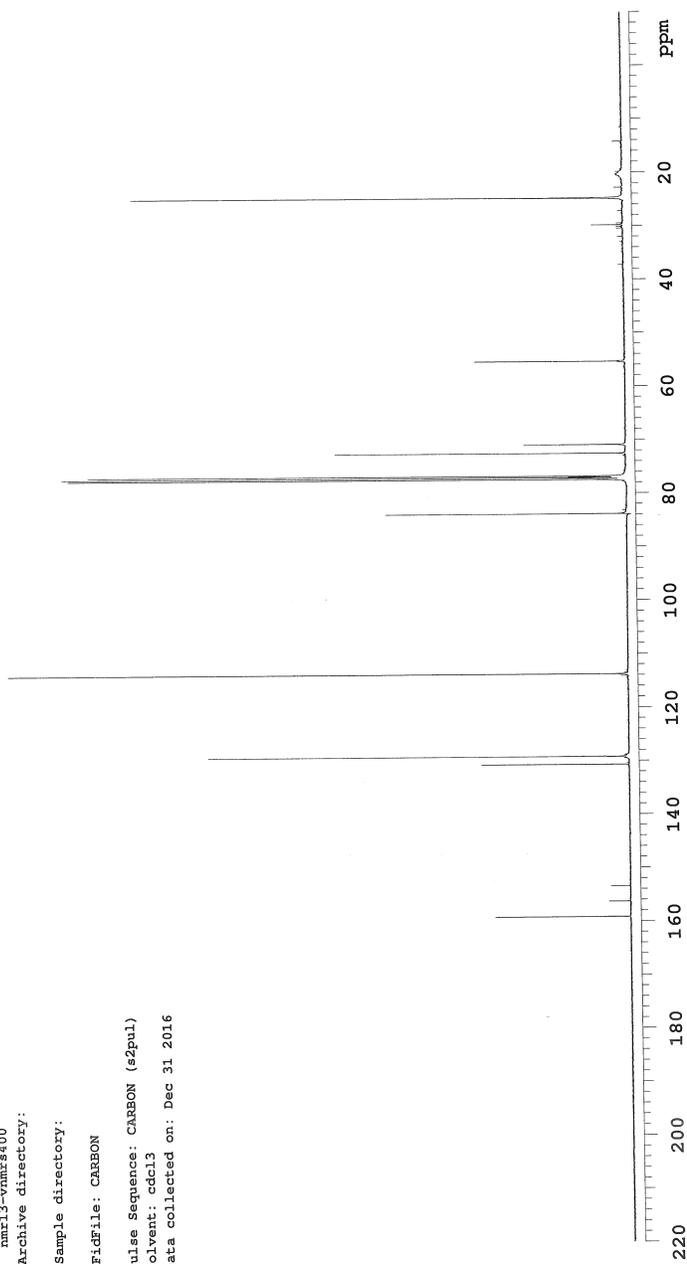
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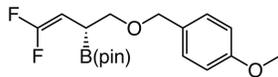
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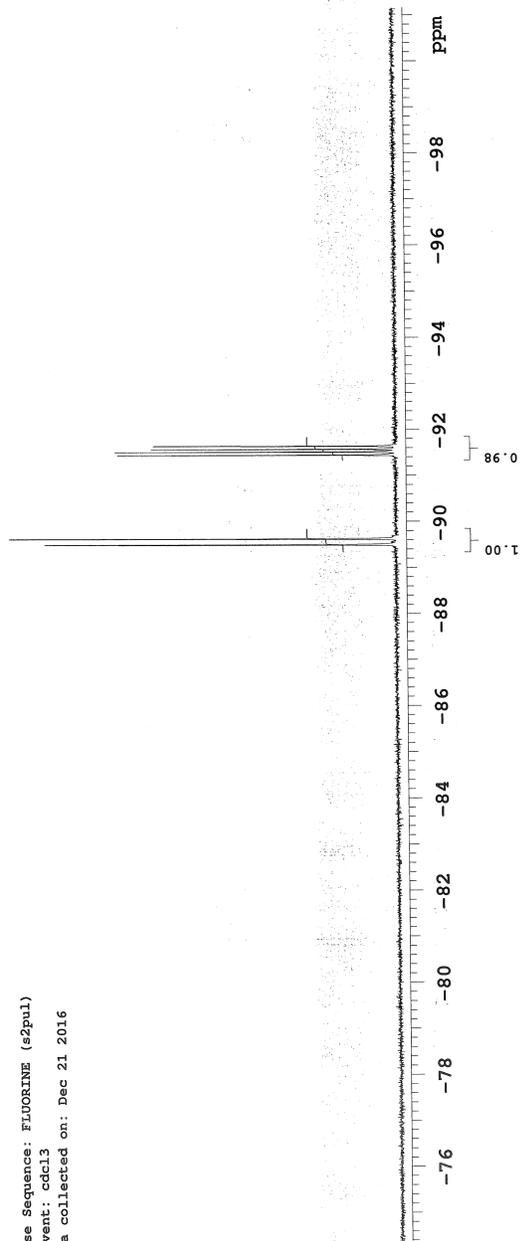


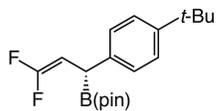
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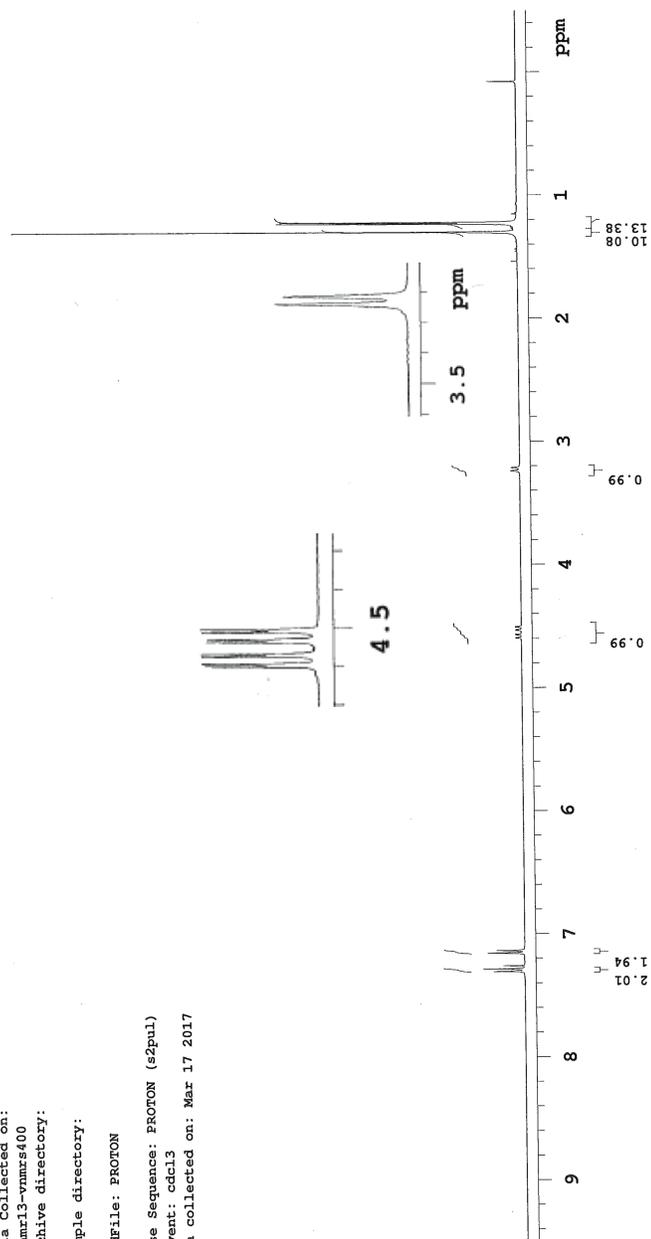


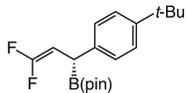
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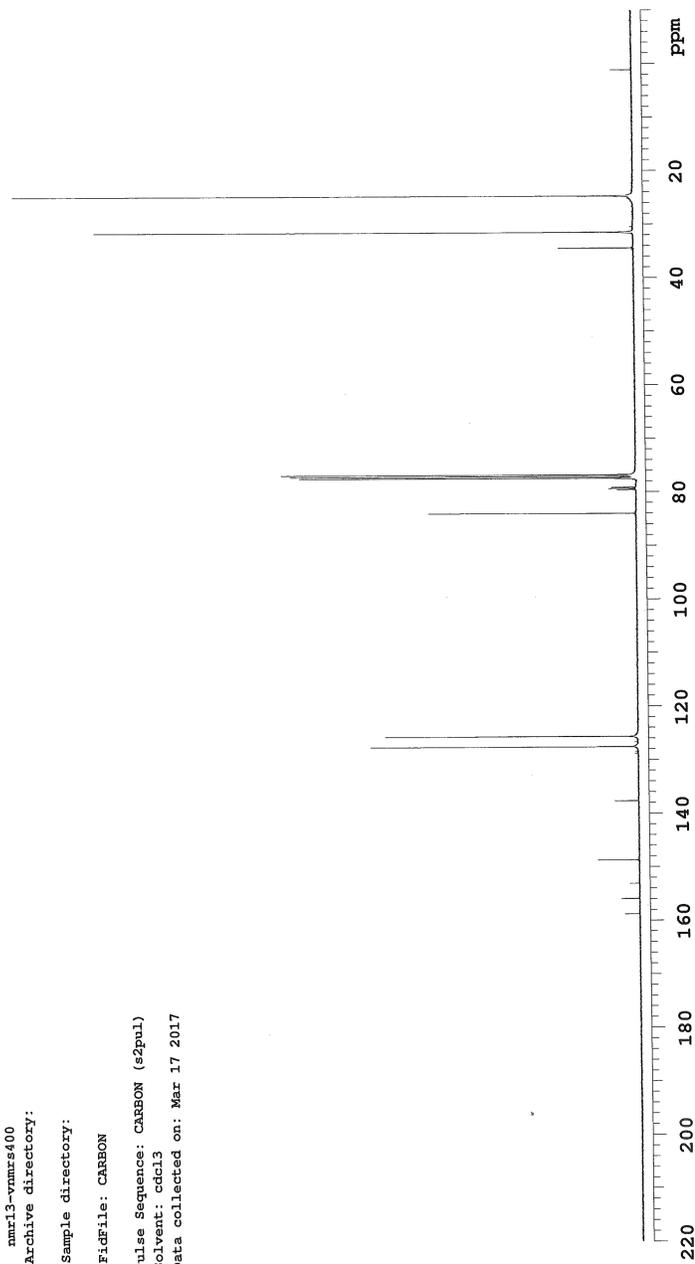
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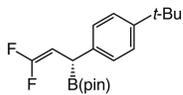
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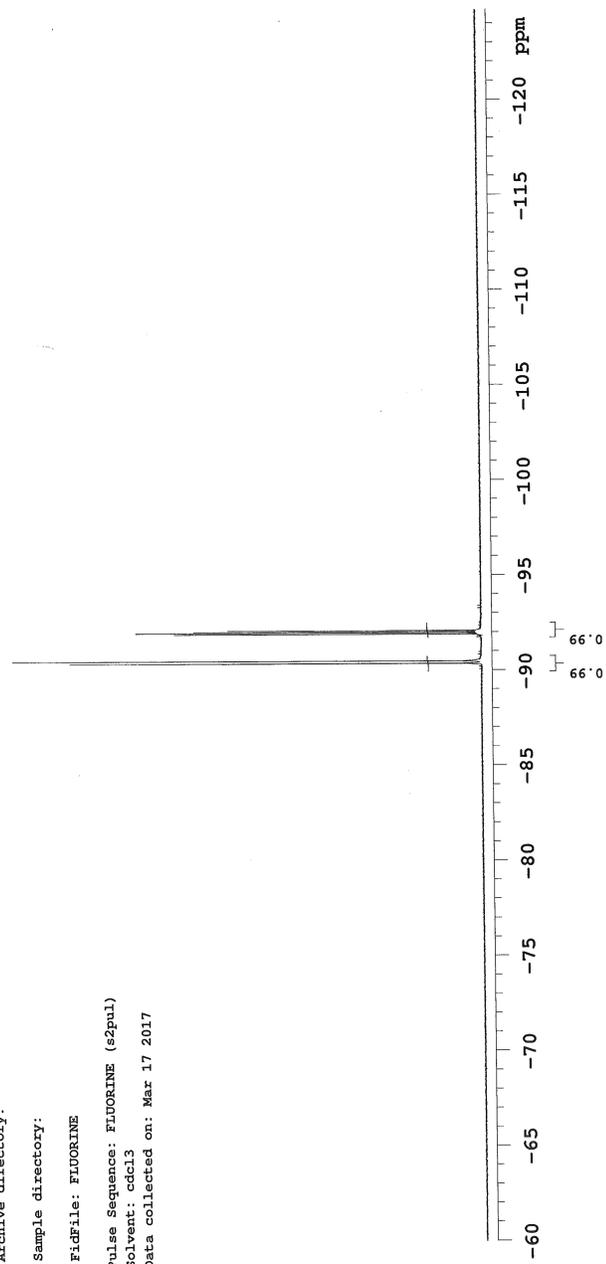
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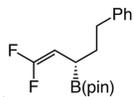
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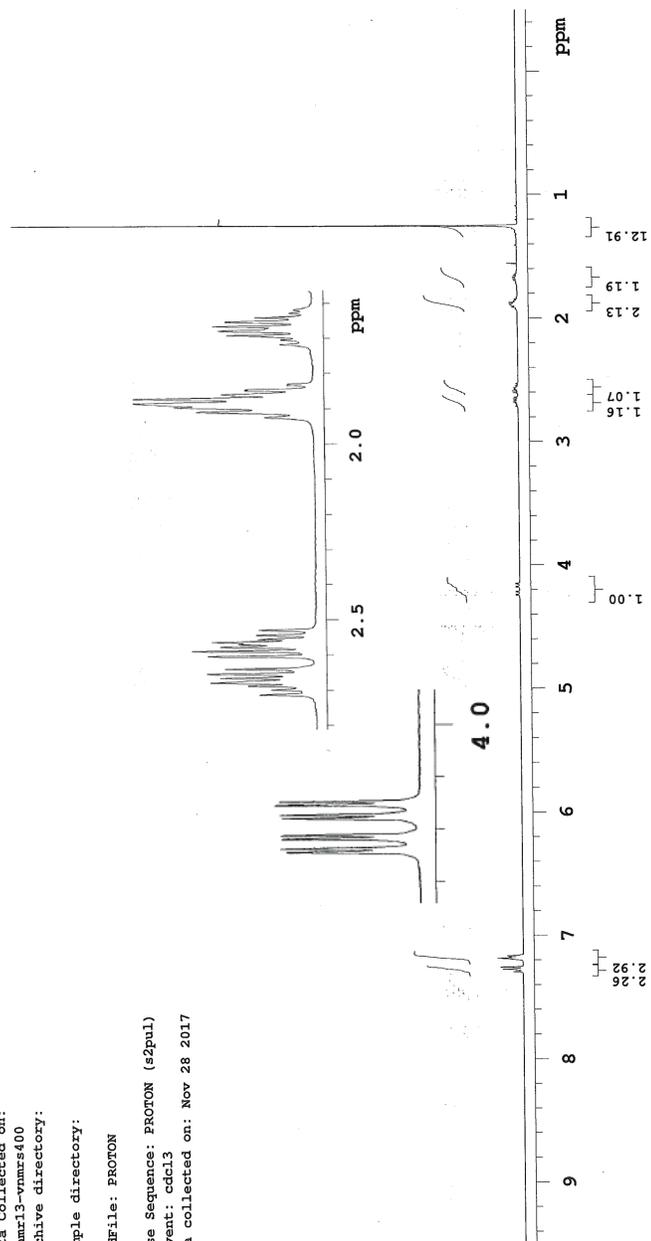
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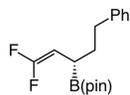
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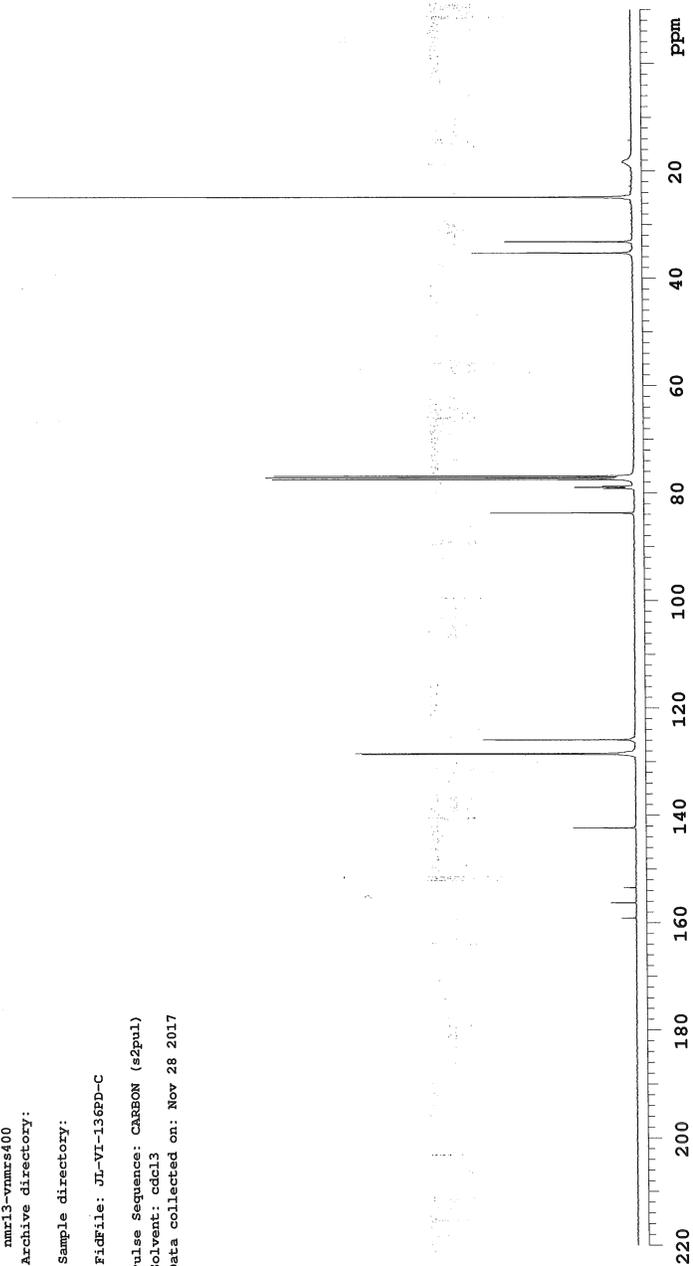
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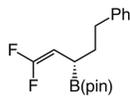
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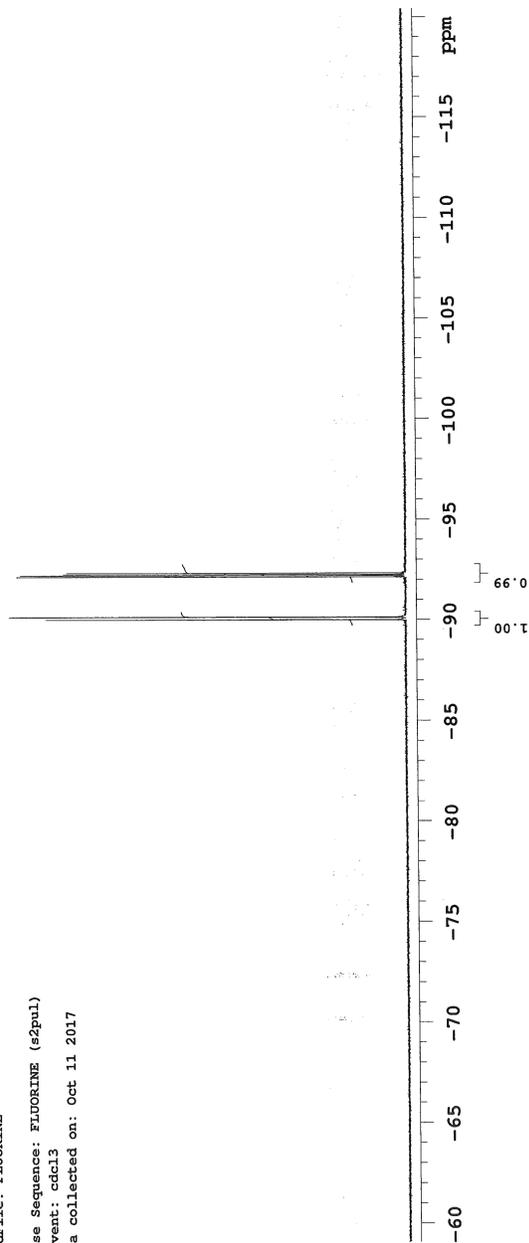


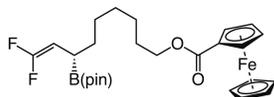
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Pulse Sequence: FLUORINE (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
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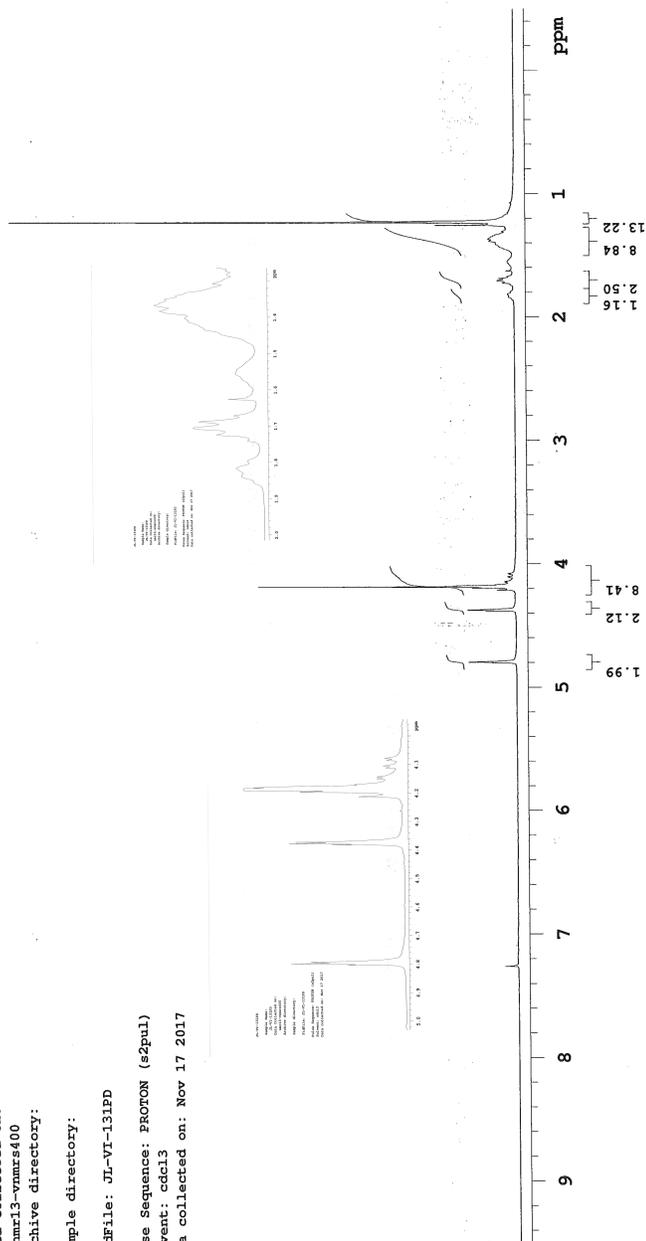
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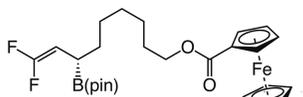
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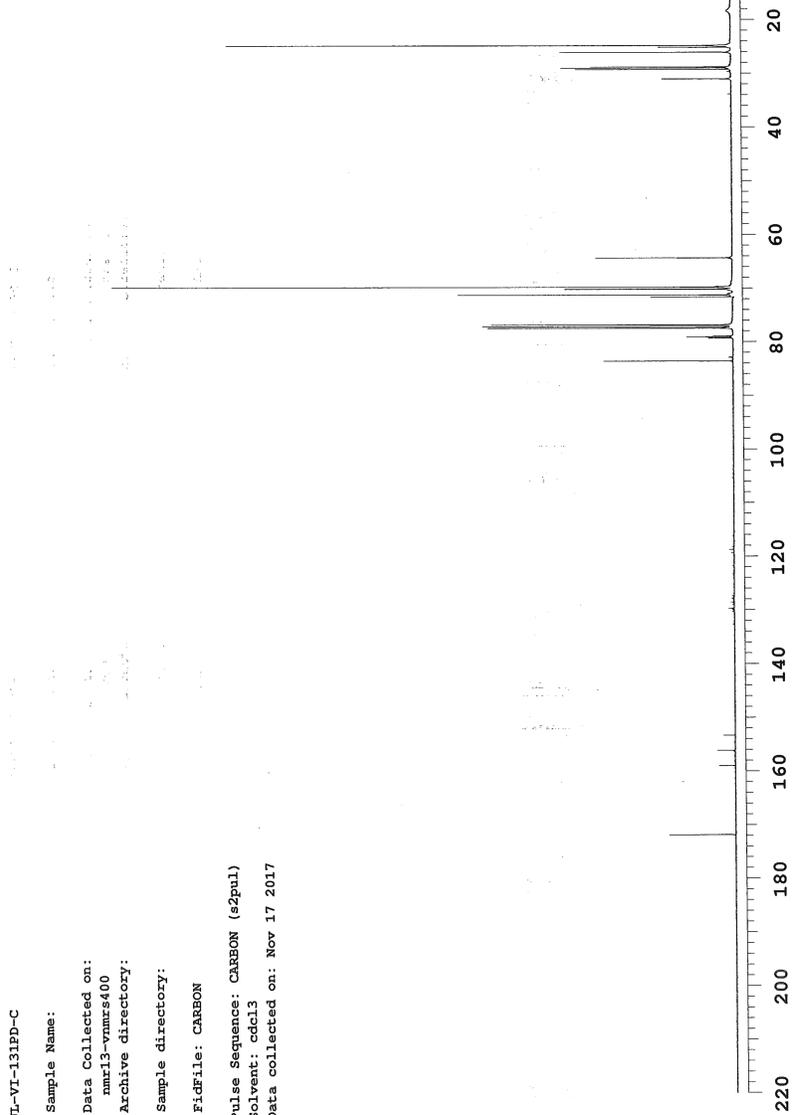
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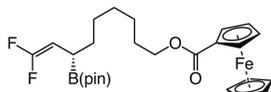




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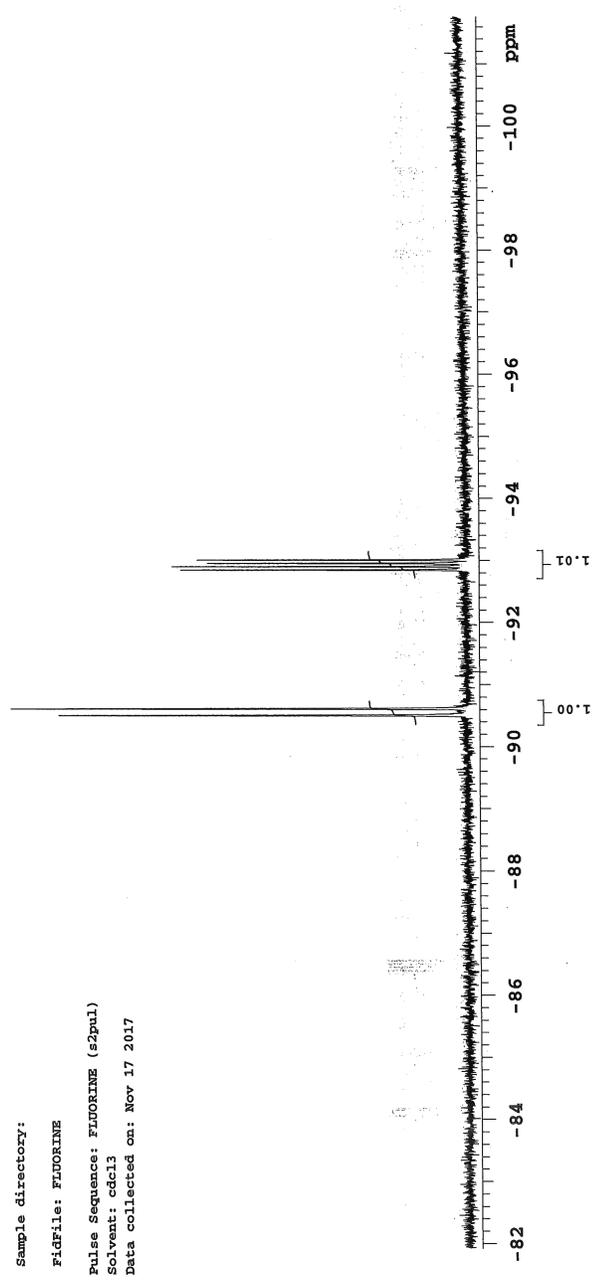
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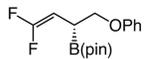




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File: FLUORINE
Pulse Sequence: FLUORINE (s2pul)
Solvent: cdc13
Data collected on: Nov 17 2017





JL-VI-113PD

Sample Name:

JL-VI-113PD

Data Collected on:

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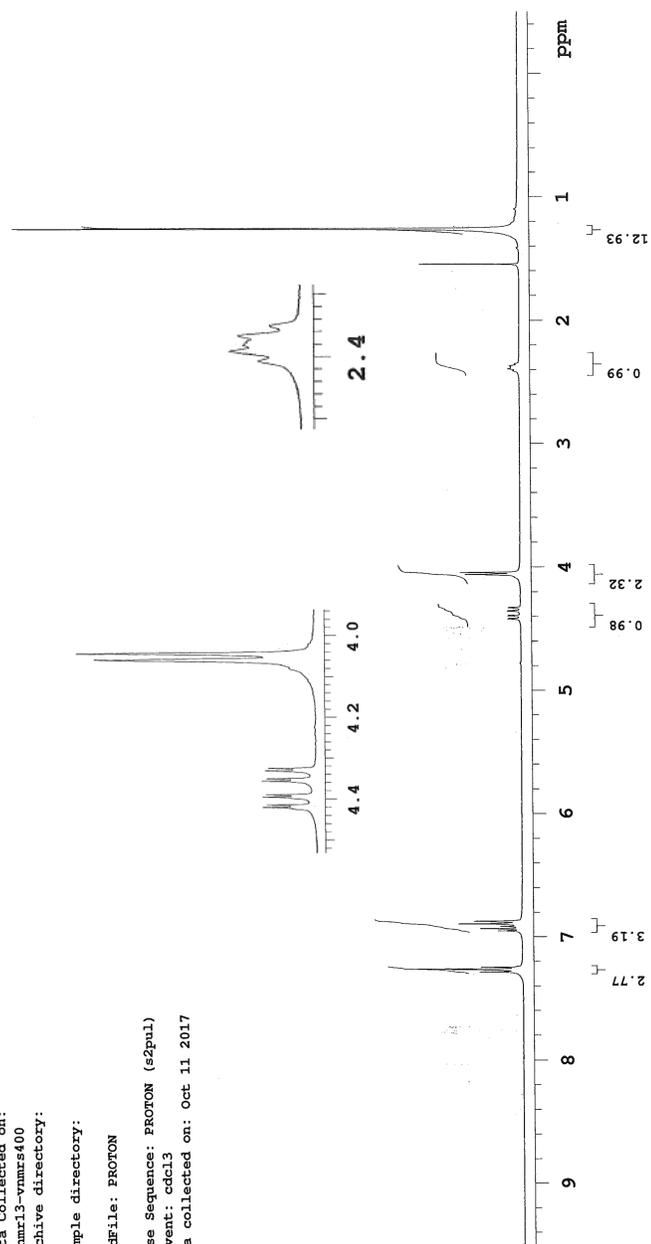
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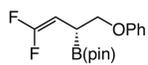
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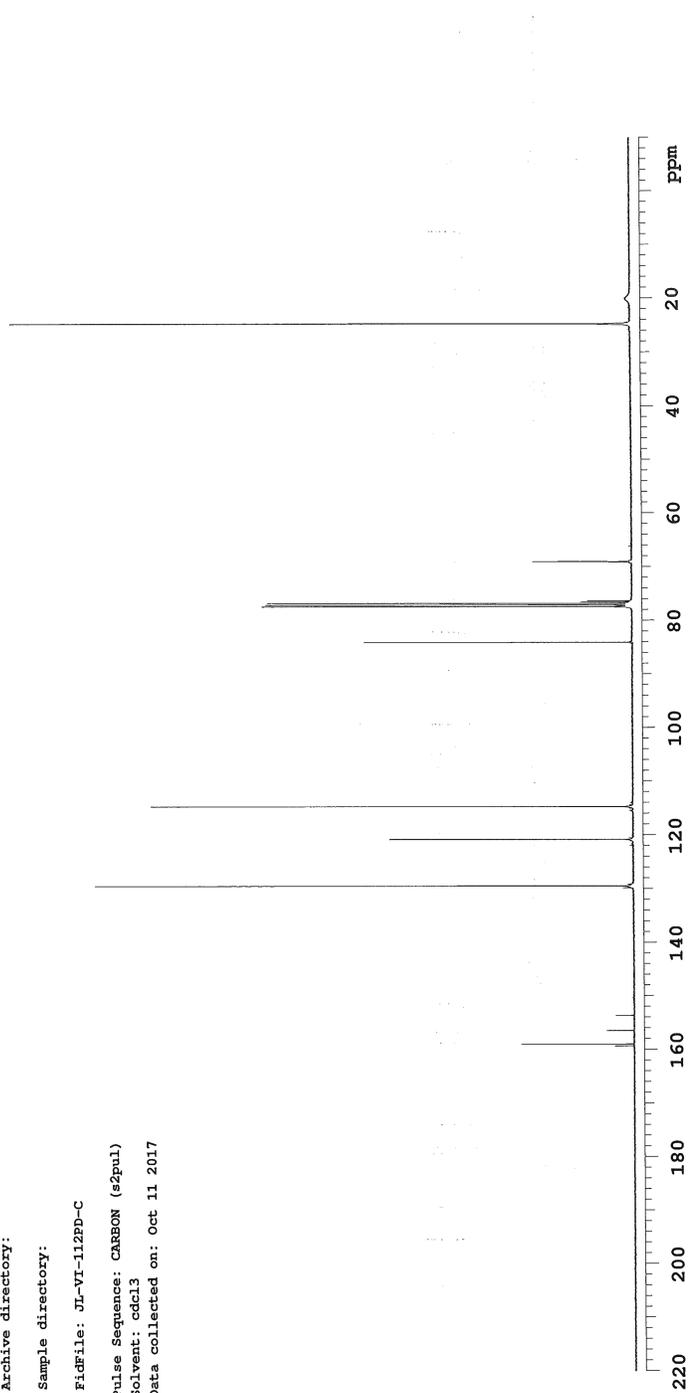
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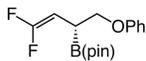
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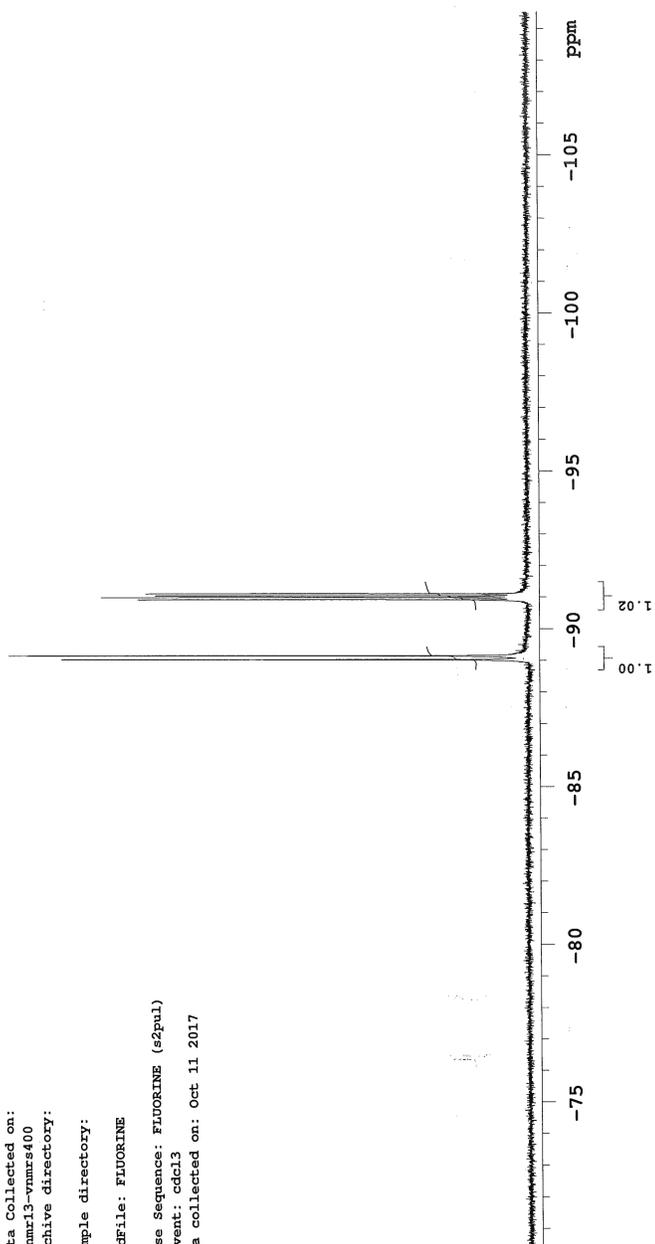


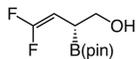
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Pulse Sequence: FLUORINE (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
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Sample Name:

Data Collected on:
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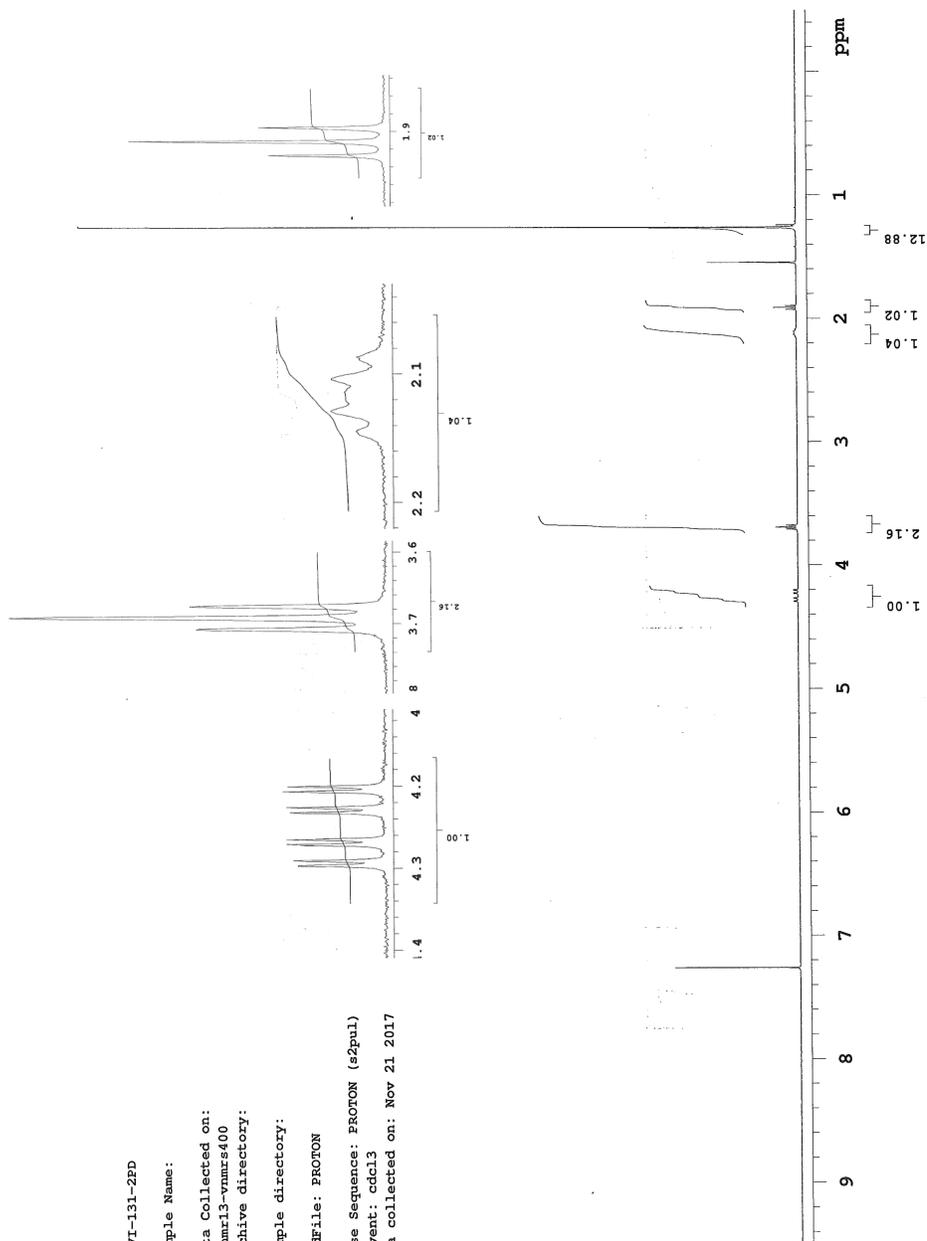
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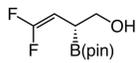
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Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pul)

Solvent: cdcl3

Data collected on: Nov 21 2017





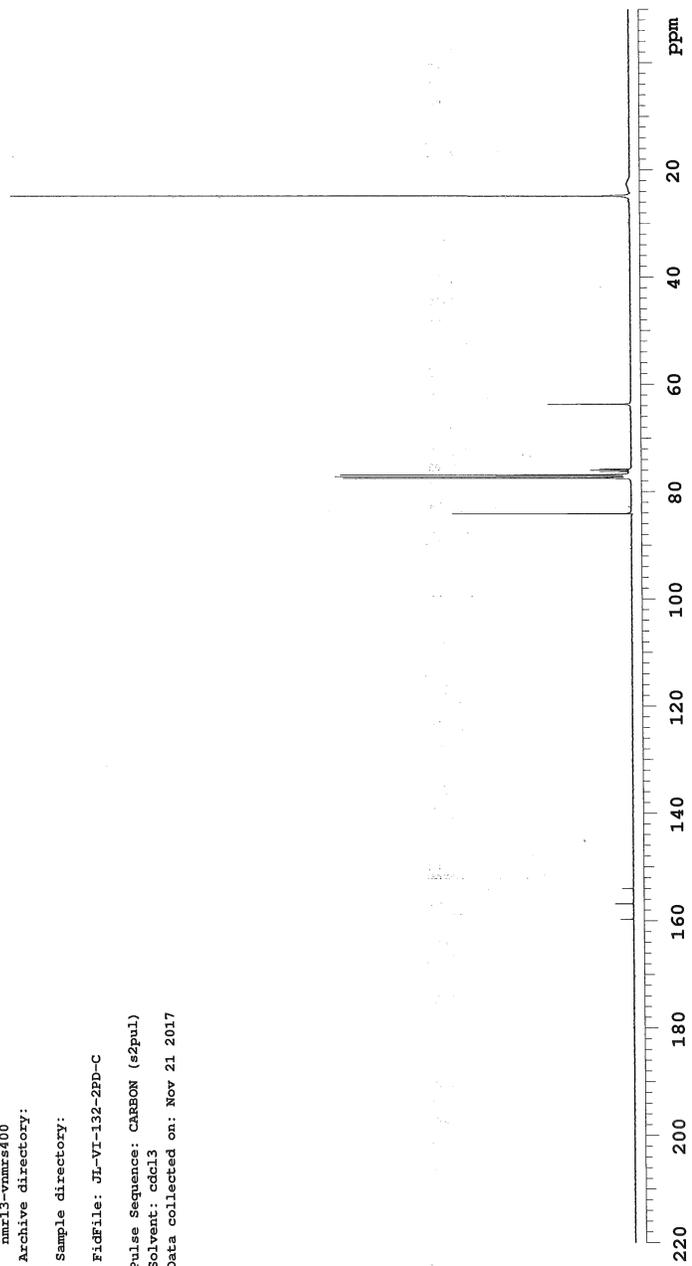
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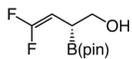
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Data Collected on:
mmr13-vnmrs600
Archive directory:

Sample directory:

FidFile: J1-VI-132-2PD-C

Pulse Sequence: CARBON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Nov 21 2017





STANDARD FLUORINE PARAMETERS
JL-VI-132-2-F-PD

Sample Name:
JL-VI-132-2-F-PD
Data Collected on:
nmr13-nmrs400
Archive directory:
Sample directory:

FidFile: FLUORINE

Pulse Sequence: FLUORINE (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Nov 21 2017

